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Haley wins County Commissioner runoff

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It was a tough race — one that began a month ago in the Republican primary — but, in the end, Jeff Haley beat Lynn Allison to win the Precinct 4 County Commissioner's post.

Haley took 370 of the 685 votes cast (54 percent to Allison's 46 percent) to take the race. He originally received 37 percent of the vote in the March primary, with Allison following at 34 percent.

"That was a good one," said Haley of



Haley

Haley said. "Everyone ran a nice, good, positive campaign. There was no mud slung

the election and of his campaign. "I was blessed with a broad base of support across Pampa and McLean... My supporters really came through for me, and I can't thank them enough for that."

Haley praised Allison for running a clean, competitive campaign.

"It's been a close race,"

Everyone focused on the issues, which is the way it really ought to be. I had a capable, tough opponent, and I thank him for campaigning the right way."

Haley said that, while he will take some time to enjoy the victory, he is eager to begin helping shape the future of Gray County.

"I look forward to participating in the county government," said Haley. "There are many facets to the job, and there are a lot of things we need to think about."

"Our tax base is shrinking. We have fewer businesses and fewer people footing the **ELECTION** cont. on page 2

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LOCAL HERO



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Pampa firefighter Leroy Cox (left) was recognized at the city commission meeting Tuesday for saving a man's life at a Pampa restaurant. Pampa Fire Chief Kim Powell (right) presented Cox with a framed "thank you" letter from the man's daughter as Pampa Mayor Lonny Robbins looked on.

Cox honored for saving choking victim

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On March 14, Leroy Cox, an off-duty Pampa firefighter was having Sunday dinner with his family at Texas Rose Steakhouse when a man in a booth began to choke.

According to Victoria Dewey, her father, 90-year-old Ed Wiens looked down at what was left on his plate and said, "One more bite. It's too good to leave."

Seconds later, Dewey said, he

started coughing and choking.

"I asked him if he could breathe, and he shook his head no," she said.

Dewey and another man from a nearby table tried to pull him out of the booth. Dewey said she felt she was watching her father die. His eyes were pleading for help, but nothing was working.

"This wonderful man came from across the room where he had been eating with his family," Dewey said.

He took over and dislodged the piece of meat.

"This angel that saved my father's life stood next to me and told me he was Leroy Cox, a Pampa firefighter," Dewey said.

She said that there can never be enough praise for Cox because the Pampa firefighter gave her father more time on Earth.

"I have a special place in my heart for firefighters," she said.

Cox was recognized at the Pampa City Commission meeting Tuesday afternoon.

City of Pampa will have to pay back rendition penalties

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The City of Pampa received some good news and some bad news at Tuesday's City Commission meeting at City Hall.

The bad news? The City of Pampa will have to pay back \$521.27 that it collected based on figures from the Gray County Appraisal District.

The good news? It could have been worse. The city will have to pay back less — a lot less — than Pampa Independent School District or Gray County. PISD will have to pay back almost \$50,949.63. Gray County will have to pay back more than \$25,509.98, according to Gray County Tax Collector Gaye Whitehead.

The Gray County Appraisal District accounts were settled during a late protest hearing and the taxes and rendition penalties were paid out in error. Now, they need to be refunded, Whitehead explained.

Several other entities will also have to pay refunds. McLean Independent School District will have to refund \$6,777.04. Lefors Independent School District will have to refund \$7,328.69. Grandview-Hopkins will have to refund \$9,498.30. Clarendon College will have to refund \$3,008.61.

Whitehead said she had gotten a change order from the appraisal district. Most of the entities listed on the change order will have to refund taxes collected erroneously in addition to the rendition penalties; only the City of Pampa will not have to pay back taxes.

"With most of the entities, it had to do with a value decrease," she said, "but the City of Pampa, it was only a removal of a rendition penalty."

The penalty is separate from the tax, she explained.

"It's a penalty when business owners do not render their business personal property on time," Whitehead said.

"We don't know the whole story behind everything," she said. "We have to be careful what we ask of the appraisal district because there are certain laws out there that don't allow us to ask about values or how they come about arriving at their decisions."

She said that she received the change orders for the value decreases. Later, she got the **COMMISSION** cont. on page 2

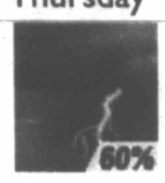
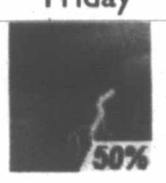
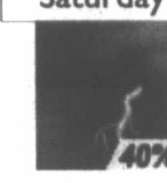
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Thursday: Showers and thunderstorms likely. Cloudy, with a high near 66. South wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60%.

Thursday Night: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy, with a low around 53. South wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Friday: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Cloudy, with a high near 61. North northwest wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Friday Night: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 45. East wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 61. East wind around 10 mph.

Saturday Night: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 43. East southeast wind between 5 and 15 mph.

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The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

Officers said there were three traffic stops and two accidents reported.

Animal control officers reported 15 animal calls.

Pampa EMS reported five ambulance calls. The Pampa Fire Department reported one medical call.

Monday, April 12.

Officers attempted to serve legal papers in the 800 block of East Francis and the 1400 block of North Hobart.

An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 700 block of North Frost.

Officers performed a welfare check in the 400 block of South Starkweather.

Burglaries were reported in the 300 block of North Somerville and in the 600 block of North Nelson.

A theft was reported to police.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 2400 block of North Charles.

Officers performed a welfare check in the 600 block of North Wells.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1000 block of North Duncan.

A suspicious person was reported 100 block of East Sunset.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1300 block of West Kentucky.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1000 block of South Barnes.

A threat was reported to police.

A theft was reported in the 500 block of Roberts.

An assault was reported in the 1100 block of Prairie Drive.

A domestic dispute was reported in the 1100 block of North Russell.

A grass fire was reported at Price Road and U.S. Highway 60.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 500 block of North Nelson.

A runaway was reported in the 600 block of West Buckler.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1000 block of East Denver.

Tuesday, April 13.
An alarm was reported in the 2400 block of North Cherokee.

A suspicious person was reported at Kentucky and Starkweather.

A threat was reported in the 1300 block of East Kingsmill.

An open door was reported in the 100 block of South Cuyler.

A suspicious person was reported at Foster and Somerville.

Officers assisted a motorist at Banks and Kentucky.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1500 block of North Williston.

A theft was reported to police.

Obituaries

R. A. "Rick" Ramming, 79

White Deer—R. A. "Rick" Ramming, 79, died April 12, 2010 in White Deer.

Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, April 15, 2010, at First Baptist Church in White Deer, with Rev. Dr. Jerry R. Lane, pastor of United Methodist Church of White Deer, and Rev. Alan Wilson, pastor of First Baptist Church of White Deer, officiating.

Burial will be at White Deer Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Ramming was born June 28, 1930 in Wichita Falls to Arnold and Rubye

Ramming. He married Nita Ketchum on February 27, 1950 in Conway. Rick had been a farmer and rancher since 1950, and had been a resident of White Deer since 1951. He was a member of Briarwood Church in Pampa and a member of the Elks Lodge in Borger. He is going to be missed by his favorite dog Nikita.

Survivors include his wife, Nita Ramming of the home; two daughters, Vicki Lynn Hillis of White Deer and Pamela Kaye Cartwright and husband Jeff of Princeton; son, R. D. Ramming of White Deer; six grandsons, Kelly Don Ramming, Jimmy

Chaney, Rex Chaney and wife Sarah, Shane Chaney, Stacey Ramming and Josh Cartwright; two granddaughters, Kendra Dawn Cartwright and Sarah Cartwright Burch and husband Jamie; ten great-grandchildren; niece, Teri Williams and husband Dennis; nephew, Chris Coffman and wife Brenda. Rick was preceded in death by a sister, Nan Coffman Chavez; his parents; and his Australian shepherd "Nick."

Memorials may be made to White Deer Senior Citizens, 315 S. Main, White Deer, TX 79097, United Methodist Church, 101 W. 8th Ave., White Deer, TX



Ramming

79097, White Deer EMS, P.O. Box 98, White Deer, TX 79097, or a favorite charity.

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Onita Chennault Floyd, 89

Pampa—Onita Chennault Floyd, 89, died April 12, 2010 in Pampa.

Graveside services were at 10:00 a.m. today at Fairview Cemetery with Philip Elsheimer, Full Gospel minister, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Floyd was born December 23, 1920 in Blossom. She married

Alfred Whitney in 1946 in Hobbs, N.M. He preceded her in death in 1948. She later married William Floyd, Jr., on August 17, 1957 in Pampa. He preceded her in death in 1987. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1957. Onita was a Baptist and a homemaker.

Survivors include seven nieces, Phyllis Elsheimer and husband Philip, Sheelah Wilson and husband Russell,

Pam Lorensen, Kim Johnson and husband Don, Angie Degner and husband Danny, Jean Dona and husband Ken, all of Pampa, and Ruby Stover of Paris; eight nephews, Troy Garmon, David Garmon and wife Sherry, and Gaines Chennault, all of Pampa, Larry Garmon and wife Connie of Amarillo, Jerry Garmon of Fritch, Tim Garmon of Guymon, Okla., Joe Chennault of Borger,

and Terry Chennault of Tahlequah, Okla.; sister-in-law, Irene Black of Pampa. Onita was preceded in death by her parents; a daughter, Sandra Gail Melear, in 1969; a son, William Darrell Floyd, in 1996; four brothers, J. C., Desso Lee, Erbie and William Chennault; and three sisters, Frances Hood, Avis Fields and Nan Garmon.

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Henry Wilbanks Gruben, 82

Pampa—Henry Wilbanks Gruben, 82, died April 13, 2010 in Pampa.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Gruben was born July 21, 1927 in Spur, and was a 1944 graduate of Spur High School. He attended Hardin Simmons University in Abilene for two years, and attended Texas Technological University in Lubbock, graduating in 1949 with a major in zoology and a minor in math. Henry married Ramona Matheny on September 1, 1949 in Pampa. She preceded him

in death on August 13, 1991. He had been a resident of Pampa since June of 1953. He later married Mary Hills on November 6, 1992 in Pampa. Henry held licenses as a Texas Real Estate Broker, a Texas Life Insurance Agent, and a Texas General Insurance Recording Agent. He was an insurance sales associate for American General Life Insurance Company from 1953-1954. He worked as an agent and partner with Panhandle Insurance Agency and later Marsh & McLennan Agency from 1954 until his retirement on May 1, 1986. He was also the owner and broker for

Century 21 Pampa Realty. Henry was a member of the First Baptist Church and the Everyman's Bible Class, the Top O' Texas Masonic Lodge #1381, and a former member and president of the Pampa Noon Lions Club.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Gruben of the home; two sons, David Gruben of Boerne, and Karl T. Gruben and wife Linda of San Diego; granddaughter, Erin E. Gross and husband Chris of Longmont, Colo.; step-granddaughter, Angela M. Melancon of New Orleans; two great-grandchildren. Memorials may be made



Gruben

to Everyman's Bible Class or Pampa Senior Citizens, 500 W. Francis, Pampa, TX 79065.

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Election

bill. I think that the county government up t this point has done a great job, but looking ahead, we may have some tougher decisions to make.

"We need to do some forward thinking to address how we can improve that tax base. What can we do along those lines? I'm looking forward to being a part of that."

Gray County elections administrator Linda Lewis said that the runoff went off smoothly and that there were no difficulties in the voting process.

"It was very smooth," she said. "We were finished counting the ballots by 8:30 (p.m. yesterday). We had it wrapped up pretty early."

"Both candidates were great to work with. They both ran a good race and an honorable race."

According to Lewis, Allison actually had the early advantage, holding the lead in the early voting totals with 192 votes (56.8 percent) to Haley's 146 (43.2 percent).

Commission

orders to remove the rendition penalties.

"It's always bad when you have to ask for money back when you've collected it," Whitehead said.

She said it didn't hit the cities too hard because most of the refunds will be to businesses out in the county. It hit the counties and schools the hardest.

The money is to be refunded to the property owners, and it must be refunded within 60 days.

Whitehead said more detailed information would have to come out of the appraisal district.

In other business:
• The commission approved on first reading an ordinance repealing and amending an ordinance regarding the registration, bonding and insuring contractors working in Pampa.

Danny Winborne, Pampa's building inspector, told the commission that the changes would make it easier to track contractors working

in the city.
• The commission extended the farm lease agreement with Richard and Linda DeVuyst, doing business as Red River Dairy east of Pampa.

The property was leased to the dairy by the original Pampa Economic Development Corporation in 2004. The city took over the lease when the original PEDC was shut down.

The lease, which was to expire in 2011, was extended to 2012. The city recently drilled a water well on the property.

• Commissioners approved on first reading a payment of up to \$35,000 from the new Pampa Economic Development Corporation to the Entrepreneur Alliance to help new retail businesses in town.

• The city commission approved on first reading a payment of \$21,208 to match a grant for which the police department is applying in order to buy 10 new surveillance cameras for city parks. The funds will come from

the PEDC.

• The commission selected Parkhill, Smith and Cooper for an \$850,000 project from a 2008 bond issue to replace waterlines, fittings, valves, casings, fire hydrant assemblies, interconnections, pavement repairs and other items for improvements to the city's water distribution system.

Donny Hooper, the city's public works director, said his staff had identified eight miles of repairs that were needed, but the city had only the money to complete three miles at this time. He said the remainder of the water distribution system would be improved as funds become available.

Hooper said it would take about nine months to complete the project, which runs from Pampa High School to the southeast part of town.

"It's a massive project," he said.

• The city commission approved the sale of two police vehicles as surplus property.

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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Wednesday, April 14, the 104th day of 2010. There are 261 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 14, 1910, President William Howard Taft became the first U.S. chief executive to throw the ceremonial first pitch at a baseball game as the Washington Senators opened their season with a 3-0 victory over the Philadelphia Athletics.

On this date:

In 1775, the first American society for the abolition of slavery was formed in Philadelphia.

In 1828, the first edition of Noah Webster's "American Dictionary of the English Language" was published.

In 1865, President Abraham Lincoln was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth during a performance of "Our American Cousin" at Ford's Theater in Washington.

In 1902, James Cash Penney opened his first store, The Golden Rule, in Kemmerer, Wyo.

In 1912, the British liner RMS Titanic collided with an iceberg in the North Atlantic and began sinking.

In 1939, the John Steinbeck novel "The Grapes of Wrath" was first published.

In 1949, at the conclusion of the so-called "Wilhelmstrasse Trial," 19 former Nazi Foreign Office officials were sentenced by an American tribunal in Nuremberg to prison terms ranging from four to 25 years.

In 1956, Ampex Corp. demonstrated the first successful videotape recorder at the National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasters Convention in Chicago.

In 1960, the musical "Bye Bye Birdie" opened on Broadway. Tamla Records and Motown Records, founded by Berry Gordy Jr., were incorporated as Motown Record Corp. The Montreal Canadiens won their fifth consecutive Stanley Cup, defeating the Toronto Maple Leafs 4-0 in Game 4 of the finals.

In 1989, former winery worker Ramon Salcido went on a rampage in Sonoma County, Calif., killing seven people, including his wife and two daughters; he is currently on death row.

Ten years ago: On Wall Street, stocks plummeted in heavy trading, with the Dow industrials down 617 points and the Nasdaq composite index falling 355 points. In Washington, protesters dumped manure on Pennsylvania Avenue, seeking to disrupt meetings of the World Bank and International Monetary Fund.

Five years ago: The House passed and sent to President George W. Bush legislation making it tougher to erase obligations in bankruptcy. The Oregon Supreme Court nullified nearly 3,000 marriage licenses issued to gay couples a year earlier by Portland's Multnomah County. Yankees right fielder Gary Sheffield got into a brief scuffle with a fan at Fenway Park during New York's 8-5 loss to the Boston Red Sox.

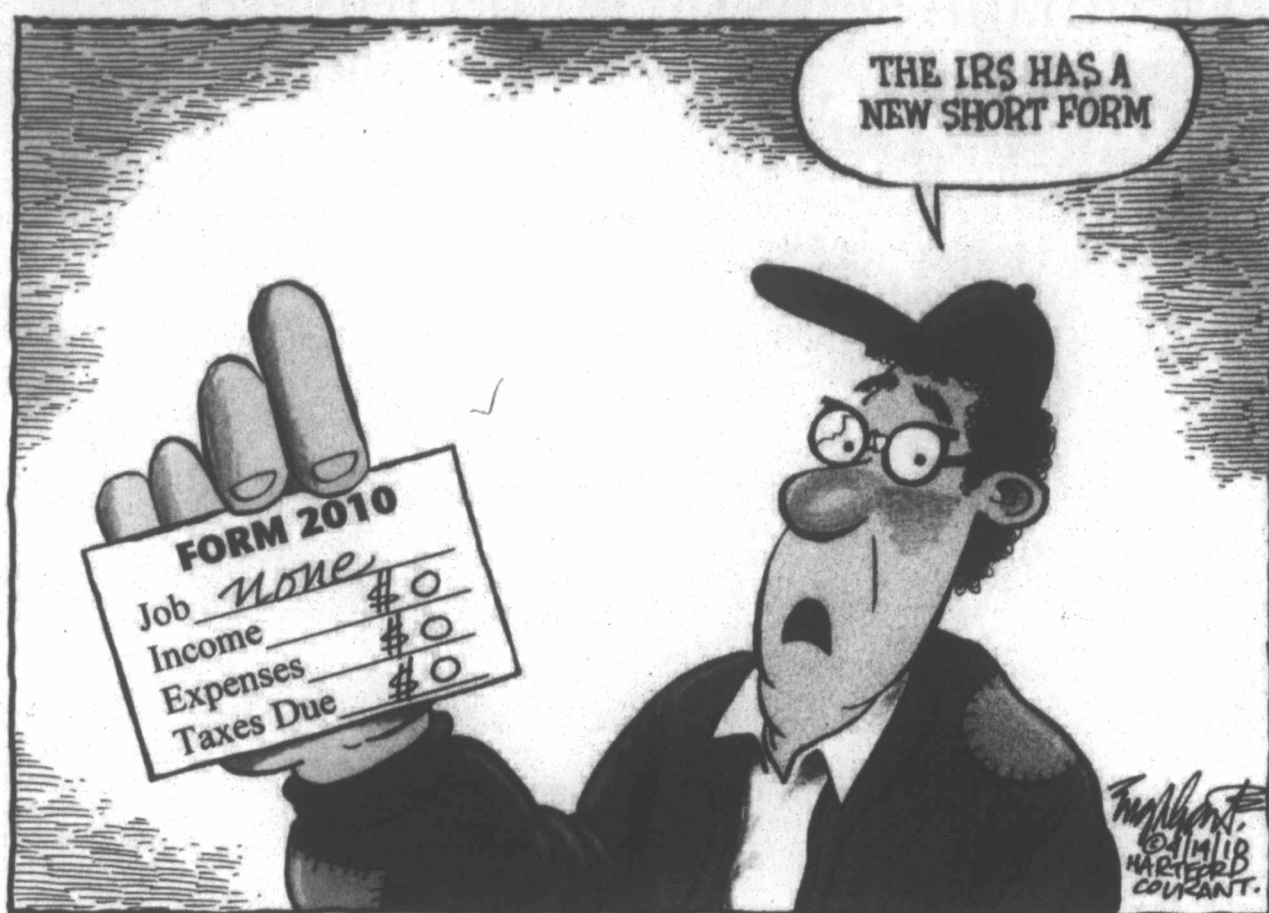
One year ago: Somali pirates seized four ships with 60 hostages. North Korea said it was restarting its rogue nuclear program, booting U.N. inspectors and pulling out of disarmament talks in an angry reaction to the U.N. Security Council's condemnation of its April 5 rocket launch.

Today's Birthdays:

Actor Bradford Dillman is 80. Actor Jay Robinson is 80. Country singer Loretta Lynn is 75. Actress Julie Christie is 70. Former MLB All-Star Pete Rose is 69. Rock musician Ritchie Blackmore is 65. Actor John Shea is 61. Actor-race car driver Brian Forster is 50. Actor Brad Garrett is 50. Actor Robert Carlyle is 49. Rock singer-musician John Bell (Widespread Panic) is 48. Actor Robert Clendenin is 46. Actor Lloyd Owen is 44. Former MLB All-Star Greg Maddux is 44. Rock musician Barrett Martin is 43. Actor Anthony Michael Hall is 42. Actor Adrien Brody is 37. Classical singer David Miller is 37. Rapper DaBrat is 36. Actor Antwon Tanner is 35. Actress Sarah Michelle Gellar is 33. Actor-producer Rob McElhenney is 33. Actress Vivien Cardone is 17. Actress Abigail Breslin is 14.

Thought for Today:

"As I would not be a slave, so I would not be a master. This expresses my idea of democracy." - Abraham Lincoln, 1809-1865.



Tax complexity adds to cash drain

By Derooy Murdock

STANFORD, Calif. - As April 15 approaches like an incoming monsoon, millions of Americans brace for the pain of writing checks to the IRS. Even worse, this annual discomfort begins even earlier, as taxpayers generate a cyclone of documents just to calculate their tax liability. America's excruciatingly complex tax-compliance regime deepens the aggravation of sending hard-earned cash to Washington for virtual incineration by Congress.

Completing tax forms required 7.75 billion hours of human labor in the 2008 fiscal year, according to the latest RegInfo.gov data. That roughly equals 3.7 million people — or everyone in Los Angeles — filling out IRS forms for 40 hours every week, all year, without vacations. "That involves more workers than those at the Fortune 500's five biggest employers," the National Taxpayers Union's David Keating concludes in a forthcoming report, "more than everybody at Wal-Mart, UPS, McDonald's, IBM, and Citigroup combined."

Keating also found that individual taxpayers would devote some 2.43 billion hours grappling with the income tax in 2010 at an equivalent labor cost of \$71.4 billion.

Add to this the \$31.5 billion that individual taxpayers will cough up for tax software, accounting services, photocopying, and other compliance-related expenses. All told, individual taxpayers will spend \$103 billion to determine

how much more money they must pump into the Beltway.

Meanwhile, the IRS website now offers 1,909 different documents, up from 1,770 last year. These include the riveting Form 8833: Treaty-Based Return Position Disclosure Under Section 6114 or 7701(b). And don't miss Form 990-W: Estimated Tax on Unrelated Business Taxable Income for Tax-Exempt Organizations. This year's basic 1040 tax return includes 76 lines and 174 pages of instructions, up from 68 lines and 52 pages in 1985.

Last year, NTU calculated that U.S. corporations spent \$159.4 billion on tax compliance, equal to 54 percent of corporate-income-tax revenue. In 2008, General Electric's tax return droned on for some 24,000 pages. If only all that energy had brought good things to life.

"America's rankings in worldwide tax complexity have slipped — from 65th out of 181 last year to 69th out of 183 this year," says NTU spokesman Pete Sepp. "On total tax rate alone, we dropped from 92nd out of 181 last year to 118th out of 183 today. So, we've gone from just barely in the worst half of tax rates to nearly the worst third. In 2009, 45 countries eased corporate taxpaying by cutting rates or streamlining procedures. America was not among them."

"The biggest problem in terms of unintended consequences is the U.S. Tax Code's constant changes," says Alvin Rabushka, a senior fellow with Stanford University's Hoover Institution on War

Revolution and Peace, with which I am a media fellow. "Usually there are features of the Tax Code that change every year, such as the extension or non-extension of the Bush tax cuts. In each of the next few years, the Tax Code may change due to ObamaCare. There may be environmental legislation that provides tax incentives and tax penalties.

"If we had a good, medium-good, or not-so-good tax code, but it stayed the same, people could adjust to it. Instead, it's a Darwinian survival of the fittest with people having to adapt year after year. This non-stop fiddling does nobody any good."

The path out of this quagmire is an optional version of the flat tax, which Rabushka co-fathered, ideally at a 15 percent rate. Americans who find comfort in the U.S. Tax Code's

stultifying grandeur should be free to savor it and file their taxes accordingly. Everyone else should be free to complete a short, simple form with very few if any deductions.

Imagine combining a straightforward tax law, a single and low tax rate, and the freedom to choose between that approach and the status quo. Talk about a stimulus package! Even better, such a reform would turn April 15 into a relatively pleasant spring day rather than the scariest day of the year.



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Winding down another semester

By David Hall
Clarendon College

We are winding down another semester at Clarendon College.

The Student Awards Ceremony will be held Thursday, April 29 at 6 p.m. in the Harned Sisters Fine

Arts Center Auditorium. The top students in each discipline will be honored with a reception to follow in the foyer.

Graduation is scheduled for Friday, April 30, at 7 p.m. in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center Auditorium. A reception

will follow in the Bairfield Activity Center.

Pre-registration for the Summer and Fall 2010 semesters at Clarendon College Pampa Center begins Tuesday, April 13. Anyone interested in taking classes this summer or fall can stop to get admissions and registration information. Registration for the upcoming summer HVAC, Wind Technology, and Cosmetology programs is underway. Those interested can also call David Hall at the Pampa Center, for more information. Summer I classes start Monday, May 17. Summer II classes start Monday, June 28. Fall classes start Wednesday, August 25. A complete schedule of classes is available on our website, www.clarendoncollege.edu.

Anyone needing assistance with financial aid can call 806-665-8801.

CC will be administering the THEA Quick Test this month. The THEA Quick test will be administered on Monday May 10, 2010 at the Pampa Center. Those interested in taking this exam are encouraged to sign up by calling David Hall before May 10. The total cost of the exam is \$49. For more information on the Quick THEA please contact David Hall at 806-665-8801.

Clarendon College Pampa Center's Cosmetology Salon is now accepting clients. The hair salon is accepting appointments during the hours of 9:30-3:30pm Monday-Friday, and the nail salon is accepting appointments from 5:30-9:00pm.

We welcome your letters

To ensure publication, please adhere to the following guidelines:

- Letters should be brief and to the point. All correspondence will be edited for length and clarity.
- All letters must be signed. Submit your name, address and telephone number with the letter for verification. Only your name and city will be published.
- Defamatory comments will not be published.
- E-mail submissions are welcome.

Sports

Teichmann signs on with Howard



Carlyn Teichmann (center) signs her letter of intent to Howard College. With Teichmann are her parents David Shelly Teichmann (seated). Back row from left to right: assistant coaches Ches Tucker and Jim Gill, head coach Bobbi Gill and athletic director Stuart Smith.

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Carlyn Teichmann signed a letter of intent to play softball for the Howard College Lady Hawks in 2011 Tuesday after Pampa's game against Dumas.

Teichmann said she chose Howard College because she liked what she saw when she visited the campus.

"I went there the first time and fell in love with it," Teichmann said. "They have a great conference. My goal is to play two years with them and go on to a bigger school. So I thought it was a great place to start at."

Most letter of intent signings are done in the Ready Room at the athletic office. But Teichmann wanted to involve the public so

she had her signing right by the home dugout at Lady Harvester Field. On her signing day, Teichmann homered to left in the first inning, which head coach Bobbi Gill thought was special.

"She's been hitting the ball hard and hitting the ball well," Gill said. "I'm just excited for her to get a big hit on a day that was special for her."

Besides playing first base this season, Teichmann also pitches. The senior currently holds a 10-5-1 record and has only allowed four runs in district play. Teichmann said she doesn't know what position she will play next year but is open to anywhere.

"I'm looking forward to being a Lady Hawk and playing at the next level," Teichmann said.

staff photo by Andrew Glover



Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My boyfriend and I have been together for a number of years, and were close friends before dating. We have lived together for 10 months now and pretty much act like a married couple. I feel I am ready to become engaged.

He, on the other hand, feels we should wait until his 16-year-old daughter, "Lacy," moves out — either back with her mother or on her own. He doesn't feel it's "right" for us to marry before then.

We are both adults, and while I don't want to disregard Lacy's feelings, I think this is something WE should decide. We have told her many times that our relationship doesn't mean Daddy loves her any less.

Something in me is beginning to think he's just making excuses and he won't "buy the cow" as long as he's getting the milk for free. I feel like I am — FLOATING IN LIMBO IN DELAWARE

DEAR IN LIMBO: You and your boyfriend need to have a frank talk because it appears you thought moving in with him would bring you a firm commitment, and he appears to be happy with the status quo. If you haven't already done so, tell him exactly what you have told me, because what you have written makes perfect sense. And if he's unwilling to budge, then it's time for you to "move" out.

DEAR ABBY: I recently attended a funeral of someone close. It was a sad time for me, but it sparked an idea that may bring comfort to my family and friends when it's my time to go.

Abby, would it be out of line to make a goodbye video of myself? It would include fond memories that would put a smile on someone's face and allow my family and friends to remember me as I was alive, not as I lay in a coffin. Instead of a plastic bookmark, I could leave a DVD of my final goodbyes.

I have a health problem and don't know how long I have, so I'd like to know what you and your readers think about my idea. I trust your advice, Abby, so please let me know. — FINAL FAREWELL, UPSTATE NEW YORK

DEAR FAREWELL: As long as your video is done tastefully, I see no reason why you shouldn't do it. We live in an age when video and YouTube are a part of our everyday lives. I'm sure your memento will be treasured by the loved ones you leave behind.

DEAR ABBY: For Valentine's Day I bought a dozen red roses and had them delivered to my girlfriend's workplace. On her way home that evening, she made a stop at the grocery store and encountered a distraught young man near tears because he couldn't afford to buy flowers for his girlfriend. She offered him money but he refused, so she gave him the roses I bought for her. (Abby, they had cost me more than \$82!)

The whole episode still has me upset. I know the roses were a gift and she had every right to do with them as she wished. But I think what she did was thoughtless and insensitive and didn't take my feelings into consideration. She says I am narrow-minded because I don't see it from her perspective. What do you think? — GRINCHED IN IOWA

DEAR GRINCHED: I can see how, having spent as much as you did for the roses, you could be upset. I can also see how your kindhearted girlfriend might have had pity on the guy and acted on impulse. While the roses were hers, she could have accomplished the same thing by giving him one or two of the roses to give to his girlfriend. However, if you care about this relationship, you'll stop brooding and drop the matter.

PHS mixed doubles advances to regionals

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Myles Foreman and Sammi Finney advanced to regionals in mixed doubles after a second place finish in their district tournament Monday and Tuesday in Amarillo.

Foreman and Finney defeated a Randall team in three sets (6-2, 4-6 and 6-4) after a two-hour rain delay in the semifinals. The pair lost to a Dumas team in the finals 1-6 and 1-6. In a playback match, Foreman and Finney defeated another team from Randall 6-3 and 6-4 to qualify for regionals in San Angelo April 19-20.

In boys doubles, Logan Karbo and Nick Nelson won their first round and lost to a team from Canyon that won district. Landon Karbo and Collin McClendon played well but lost in the first round. In boys singles, David Moore won the first round and lost the second round to the district runner-up from Palo Duro. Garrett Coutts lost the first round.

In girls doubles, Erin Buck and Hilary Acker and Alyssa Hoelting and Kayla Ware both lost in the first round.

Corse said she will miss her seniors but looks forward to next year with the ones returning.

"I am proud of the way they played," Corse said. "I will miss the seniors and their leadership, but looking forward to the ones coming back next year for a better year."

Sudoku

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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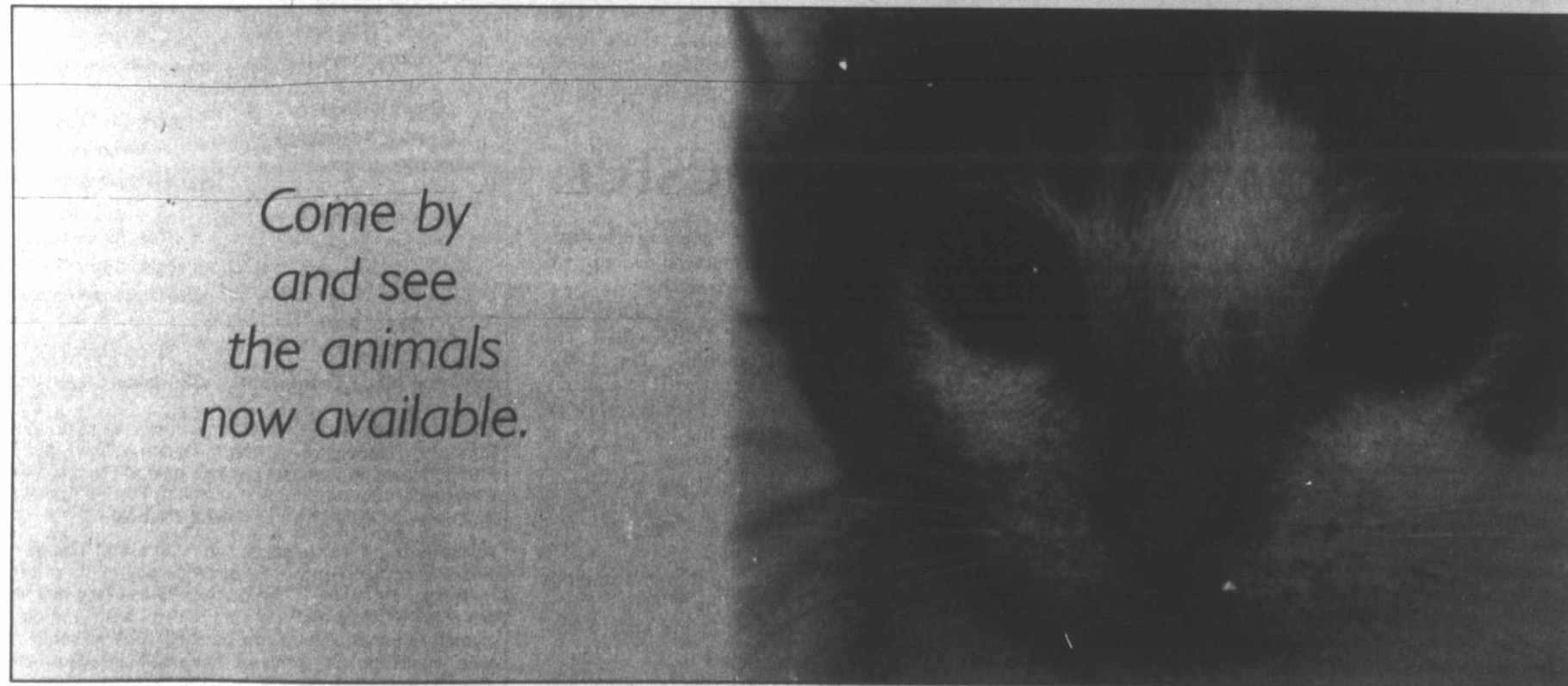
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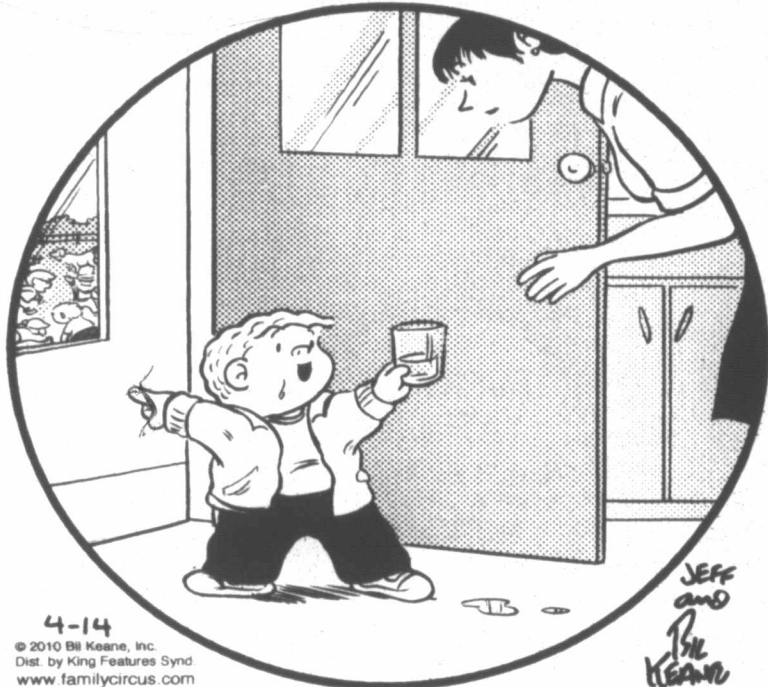
Marmaduke



"No, Marf, I remember last time. No more sleepovers."

THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



"That's enough! I gotta get right back so my friends can keep enjoyin' me!"

Daily Crossword Puzzle

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 44 Big parties
 - 1 Galleon
 - 45 Flight part pole
 - 5 Rascals
 - 11 Soprano instrument
 - 12 Mauna Loa setting
 - 13 Sleuth's find
 - 14 Worn down
 - 15 Frat-party item
 - 16 Ring out
 - 17 Center
 - 19 Chestnut
 - 22 Church sight
 - 24 Composer's creation
 - 26 Churlish sort
 - 27 Sci-fi award
 - 28 Hit the ceiling
 - 30 Type a password, perhaps
 - 31 Rent out
 - 32 First Hebrew letter
 - 34 Blueprint
 - 35 Short time
 - 38 Humphrey's love
 - 41 Toy with ups and downs
 - 42 Marzipan base
 - 43 Continental coin

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Yesterday's answer

- DOWN**
- 1 Fake
 - 2 Qualified
 - 3 Tried to find
 - 4 Course peg
 - 5 See-through
 - 6 Jeweler's units
 - 7 Illegally off base
 - 8 Fuming
 - 9 Diner dessert
 - 10 Comic Caesar
 - 16 Golf goal
 - 18 Tombstone name
 - 19 Endures
 - 20 Jason's ship
 - 21 Light gas
 - 22 Cain's victim
 - 23 Folk tales
 - 25 Use a hatchet
 - 29 Natural gift
 - 30 Writer Deighton
 - 33 Touches down
 - 34 Experts
 - 36 "Jane —"
 - 37 Hen holder
 - 38 Chemist's place
 - 39 Maximum amount
 - 40 Thurman of "Kill Bill"
 - 41 Agreeable answer

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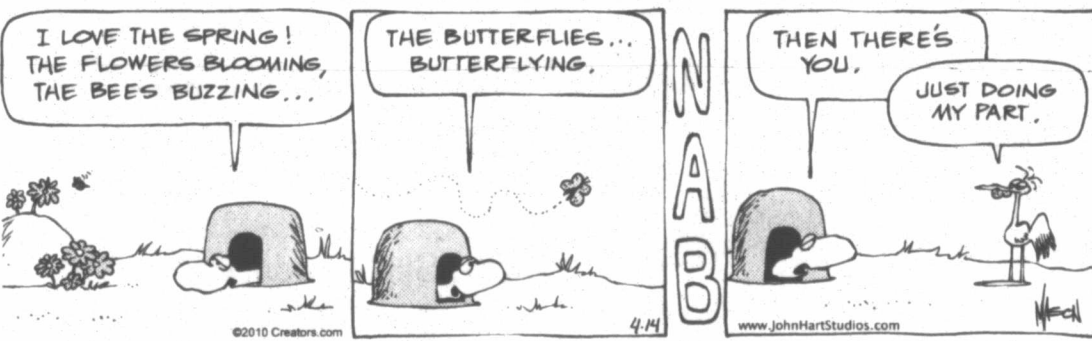
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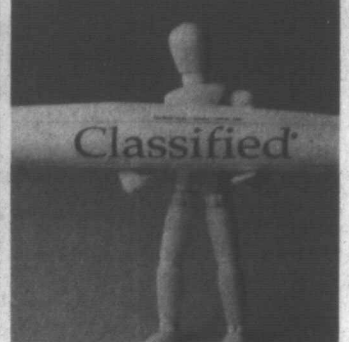
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, April 14, 2010:
 This year, you get a new beginning nearly in any sector of your choice. Unusual charisma, wit and responsiveness attract many. To succeed, put your mind on the job at hand. Drop the word "impossible" from your vocabulary. Your energy will only strengthen in 2011. If you are single, many want to be your sweetie. Who do you want? That is the question. If you are attached, be careful not to be too oriented. Relationships are a two-way street. TAURUS has a strong will.

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)
 **** New beginnings become possible. Your style opens doors and allows greater give-and-take. You might be inspired by a friend and/or meeting. You could feel uneasy about a work or daily issue. Invest more of yourself in a financial matter. Tonight: Your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 ** Stop listening to others and center yourself. You actually have the answers within. Your creativity seems to defy the possibility that you don't know what to do. You keep seeking out solutions. Trust yourself. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 **** Emphasize what works and let go of what doesn't. You could be inspired to find other answers and solutions. Relay the important facts, and worry less about others and their reactions. As long as you express facts, not opinions, you'll be on cruise control. Tonight: Head home

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 *** Assume the lead. Understand what ails others. Listen rather than dictate. A meeting late in the day could recycle a project and your energy. Tonight: Don't hesitate to go for what you want.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 **** Let your imagination wander, and you could come up with a deeper understanding. A key associate or loved one could be less of a mystery when you walk in this person's footsteps. What didn't make sense finally does. Take a much-needed stand. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 ***** A new beginning within a partnership becomes possible. Your instincts play out in the work arena. You do need to follow through. You could feel uncomfortable with a partner or associate. Let go of your discomfort, and try to imagine what is going on with this person. Tonight: Reach out for someone at a distance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 ***** Defer to others and understand what might be going on with them. You could feel a bit uncomfortable right now. Know that this is a passage, and you don't need to let your feelings run a situation. Tap into your self-discipline. Tonight: Dinner for two.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 ***** Plunge into a project knowing you can clear out a hassle. Your intuition teamed with your imagination can put quite a sparkle on the finished product. A meeting confirms your thoughts. Relax late in the day and only clear out necessary work. Tonight: Do rather than talk.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 ***** You add a very distinct and creative tone to a project. You simply seem to know what is being said before it is verbalized. Use this skill to the max, making what you want a possibility. Investigate an offer that comes through a friend. Tonight: Trust your instincts.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 *** Knowing what needs to happen allows you to guide a situation. A great idea returns late in the day, when you seem more open. A child or loved one would like to twist your arm to get more of your time. Why not? Tonight: Take a midweek break.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 ***** Return calls. Plans could change radically because of news or a meeting. You might not be able to concentrate at times, as your mind could be floating. Harness your imagination and add to your productivity in the here and now. Tonight: Happily heading home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 **** You could be wondering which way to go with a major project. Investigate alternatives where you might be less financially tied. Your ability to move in a new direction could be colored by your sixth sense. Tonight: Chatting up a storm.

BORN TODAY
 Baseball player Pete Rose (1941), actress Julie Christie (1941), guitarist Ritchie Blackmore (1945)

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AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

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

4-14 CRYPTOQUOTE

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— R T S D O T Z N I T Q M
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Sports

Teichmann's blast and Pampa's D dooms Dumas

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The Pampa Lady Harvesters took an early lead and played strong defense in a 4-2 victory over the Dumas Demonettes Tuesday at Lady Harvester Field.

Head Coach Bobbi Gill said Dumas made great plays defensively and her team didn't have as disciplined at bats but pulled out a win.

"The wind pushes the ball a little bit different," Gill said. "You got to make adjustments to it. The girls did what they needed to do to win."

Ashley Facio started for Pampa, and set down Dumas in order, with a ground-out and two strikeouts. The Lady Harvesters wasted no time to get on the board against Dumas' starter Haleigh Valenzuela. Claire Hopkins led off with a single. After Facio popped out to the pitcher, Shelby Watson singled. Carlyn Teichmann brought everyone home as she homered to left field putting Pampa ahead 3-0. Teichmann said she wanted to bring both runners home while she was facing two strikes.

"She threw me a high

and inside pitch and I just ripped it over the fence," Teichmann said.

Pampa would get two more runners to third but the inning would end with the bases loaded. Mikaela Flores was tagged out at home on an attempted steal for the second out.

Hemi Jimenez and Ibeth Torres reached base by being hit by a pitch and the other walked. Jimenez and Torres stole bases to advance to second and third respectively. A wild pitch would score both runners to cut Pampa's lead to 3-2.

Pampa was held scoreless in their half of the second. Hopkins grounded out, Facio and Watson both popped out. Facio didn't allow the Demonettes much in the third. Sia San Miguel singled and advanced to second on a sacrifice bunt. A passed ball would advance San Miguel to third, but Facio ended the inning with a strikeout.

That would happen after Lupita Madrid hit a foul ball that hit the press box window and shattered it. The game would be delayed for about 5 minutes, while they got the glass out of the backstop. The public



McKinlee Stokes throws to Carlyn Teichmann (2) to get Dumas' Hemi Jimenez out at first. The Lady Harvesters won 4-2 and remain tied with Randall for first place. Pampa visits Caprock 1 p.m. Saturday

staff photo by Andrew Glover

address announcer didn't broadcast until the middle of the third.

Pampa would score their final run of the game in the bottom of the third. Teichmann led off with a walk. Samantha Pearson doubled and Teichmann scored from first. Alanna Stephens singled but the next three batters struck out.

From the fourth inning on, Facio and Dumas' Valenzuela shut down the other teams hitters. Facio only allowed three hits. Valenzuela only allowed four hits and had two innings that she stranded runners at third.

Dumas (9-13-1, 2-7) led off the seventh with a single by Valenzuela but

that's all they would get. Facio struck out the next batter. Amanda Vandiver ended the game by popping out to Jordan Mayhew, and Valenzuela was thrown out at first following the pop out. Gill said her defense played well and was a big reason why her team won.

"The two runs they scored was kind of a fluke

incident," Gill said. "We responded to it, and scored ourselves and did what we needed to do."

The Lady Harvesters (18-9-1, 8-1) visit Caprock (11-18, 4-6) 1 p.m. Saturday. Pampa beat Caprock 1-0 March 26 in Pampa.

Quick Summary

Pampa 4, Dumas 2

Winning and losing pitchers: W-Ashley Facio (8-4) L-Haleigh Valenzuela
It was over when: Jordan Mayhew caught a pop up and threw Haleigh Valenzuela out at first to end the game.

Game ball go to: Carlyn Teichmann. On the day she signed a letter of intent to Howard College, Teichmann hit a three-run home run in the first inning and scored in the third scoring two of Pampa's four runs.

Stat of the game: 1 Demonette went past first base after the second inning.

Teams	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Final
Dumas	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Pampa	3	0	1	0	0	0	X	4

WP-Facio (8-4) LP-Valenzuela 2B-Pampa Samantha Pearson, Alanna Stephens and Shelby Watson HR-Carlyn Teichmann RBIs-Teichmann 3, Pearson 1 Stolen Bases-Dumas Hemi Jimenez, Ibeth Torres Pampa Alanna Stephens

Dumas Pitching

Pitcher	IP	H	R	BB	K
Valenzuela	6	11	4	3	6

Pampa Pitching

Pitcher	IP	H	R	BB	K
Facio	7	4	2	2	13

Pampa run-rules Dons for second district win

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The Pampa Harvesters ended their five-game losing streak and run-ruled the Palo Duro Dons 13-2 in five innings, Tuesday in Amarillo.

Head Coach Kaleb Snelgrooves said they got a much needed win Tuesday.

"It was a big game to get us off the skid," Snelgrooves said. "The game started slow but we put up four runs in the second inning and started to pull away."

Pampa and Palo Duro were both held scoreless in the first. The Harvesters scored four runs in the second to take a 4-0 lead. The Dons responded with a run to cut the lead to three. After a scoreless third, Pampa scored six runs in

the fourth to expand their advantage to 10-1. Palo Duro responded with one more run. The Harvesters scored three more in the fifth and held the Dons scoreless in their half.

Garrett Ericson was the starting pitcher and struck out seven of the 19 batters he faced. Snelgrooves was pleased with Ericson's pitching and the team's defense.

"Ericson threw well," Snelgrooves said. "We played good defense and made plays behind him. We had zero errors."

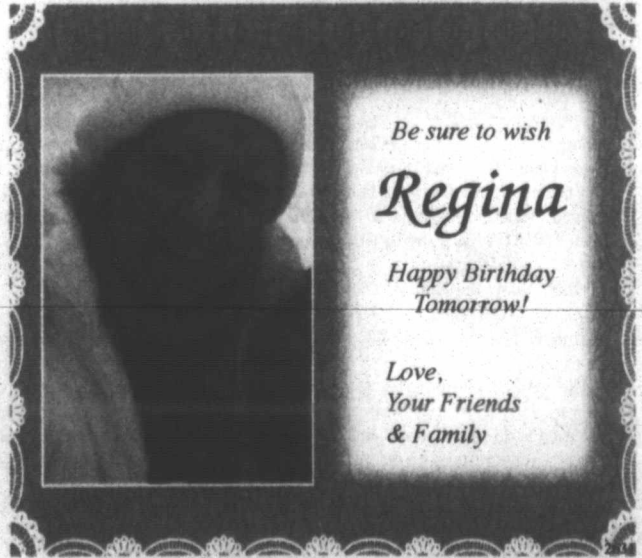
Along with his pitching, Ericson hit his first career home run. Leading the Harvesters in batting was Zach Murray, who was three-for-three. Murray singled, doubled and tri-

pled and had three RBIs. Reid Miller was two-for-four with two triples. Snelgrooves said the win gives them a chance at the playoffs but they still have work to do.

"As bad as things have been, we still have a chance at the playoffs," Snelgrooves said. "We have to win our next three games for sure and two of the three are at home."

The Harvesters (7-15, 2-6) host Dumas (11-13, 4-4) Tuesday.

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Financial Seminar

"Building & Protecting Your Retirement Nest-Egg"
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District 3-4A baseball scores
Pampa 13 Palo Duro 2 (5 innings)
No. 5 Randall 14 Dumas 3 (5 innings)
Canyon 5 Caprock 1
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