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# New junior high school formally annexed

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You may not have felt it, but the City of Pampa got just a little bit bigger yesterday afternoon.

The City formally annexed the land encompassed by the new Pampa Junior High School yesterday at its bi-weekly City Council Meeting, extending the official corporation limits by approximately 40 acres to the northwest.

The annexation covers only the property on which the school sits and not any other adjoining property. Public works official Donny Hooper said that the annexation was fast-tracked to legally allow the Pampa Independent School District to take ownership of the building and perform the necessary improvements to the property before the start of the school year.

In other business:

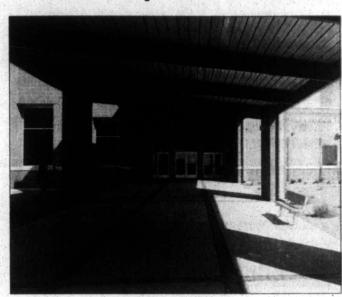
• The city adopted on second and final reading Ordinance No. 1523, enacting supplemental regulation to Chapter 12 (Traffic and Vehicles) of the City's Code of Ordinance.

Colloquially labeled the "front yard parking ordinance," the newly passed law formally prohibits the parking of vehicles "on any surface other than a permitted improved surface in the front yard of a residence.'

The ordinance expressly defines the vehicles under its regulation as "any automobile, bus, truck, tractor, motor home, farm machinery, boats, fifth wheel trailers, campers, camper shells, wheeled towing frames, semi-tractor trailers and truck beds mounted on chas-

Front yards are defined as "that area between the street... and the outermost projection of the primary residence located on the lot, not to include an existing improved driveway. Corner lots are defined to effectively have two such front yards.

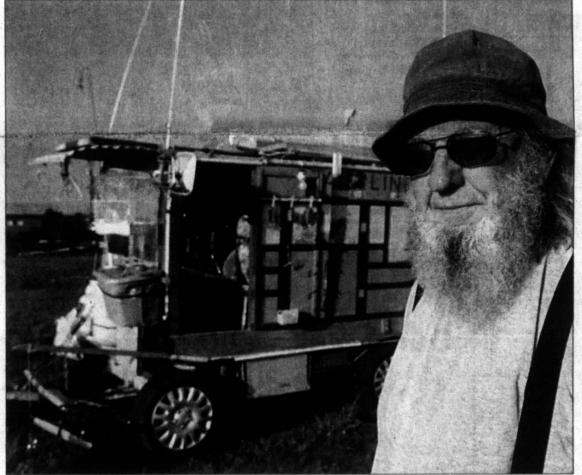
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staff photo by David Bowser

The new Pampa Junior High School is now officially within Pampa's corporate limits, as its 40-acre property was formally annexed by the City Council yesterday.

# **HOOFING IT**



staff photo by David Bowser

Roy Ratliff, who is originally from Arkansas, was getting his horses shod this morning in Pampa before heading back home after a year-long journey to Colorado.

## Pampa a stop on horse-drawn adventure

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Roy Ratliff is leaving Pampa today and is headed home. He's going back home to Arkansas, but he won't be alone.

There will be Zoo Zoo, Cat, Bird and, of course, Lulu. The two dogs, cat and bird will all be with Ratliff in a wagon pulled by Blackie and Paint, a black horse and a paint horse.

He says he likes to keep it simple when it comes to names. Ratliff said his favorite place is behind a horse.

"Behind a horse," he emphasized. "Not on top of a horse. It's too far to the ground." Ratliff, 68, is from Springdale,

Ark. "That's Northwest Arkansas," Ratliff said.

He left there Sept. 1, 2009,

and made his way to Colorado. From there, he turned south into New Mexico and east toward the Texas Panhandle, Oklahoma, Arkansas and home.

"I was just looking around," Ratliff said. "I went over about 100 miles into Colorado and down into New Mexico, and back over to this fine town right here.'

Ratliff rolled into Pampa on Tuesday afternoon and spent the night with Jerry Baten and his family.

"They just run on to me three or four days ago," he said, "and they said, 'Now, when you get to Pampa, you come to our place.' Here I am."

Ratliff knows two kinds of people: friends and friends he hasn't met yet.

"People are really nice," Ratliff

He has a rope on one side of his wagon that a calf roper hung there after Ratliff spent the night at his place, watching the ropers

work. "I stayed at his place one night," Ratliff said. "they got out and roped that night. When I got ready to leave the next morning, he told his son to get me a rope."

The man told his son that they had to put a rope on the wagon, and there it hangs as a reminder of another friend Ratliff has met. "All my kids are grown and

married," Ratliff said Rather than just sitting around home, he decided to go out on

some great adventures. "This is my third stagecoach,"

Ratliff said. He's already planning his fourth stagecoach. It's going to be a little longer so he can carry RATLIFF cont. on page 3

## County to discuss new employees

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The Gray County Commission will be discussing whether to hire two new employees and declare some items as surplus property when they meet Thursday morning.

Commissioners will consider hir ing a new employee for Precinct Two and one for Precinct Four. They will also consider declaring some material in Precinct Two as surplus.

The commission will also open bids for tax delinquent property in McLean, consider continuing the County Road and Bridge fee and consider a spending request by the County Clerk for records management.

Commissioners will also consider using Cable One as the county's internet provider at their Thursday **COUNTY** cont. on page 5

## Skunk raises concerns of rabies in area

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Pampa Animal Control officials were warning residents on the north side of the city concerning a rabid skunk killed last weekend.

Monty Montgomery, the head of Animal Control, said officers were called to the 900 block of Terry Saturday afternoon where they had to shoot a skunk. The head of the animal was sent to state health officials for testing.

Pampa Police Chief Kelly Rushing said today that the tests had come back positive for rabies.

The skunk had bitten a dog in the neighborhood, Rushing said, although the dog had been vaccinated against rabies.

Montgomery said the dog was RABIES cont. on page 5

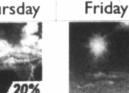




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Thursday: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 93. South southwest wind around 5 mph becoming east southeast.

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Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of show-

wind becoming south around 5 mph. Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around

69. South wind around 10 mph.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 95. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 70. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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# Fed concerns halt BP spill capping

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — BP's work on capping the Gulf of Mexico gusher was frozen Wednesday after the federal government raised concerns the operation could put damaging pressure on the busted well that could make the leak worse.

An administration official, who asked not to be identified because of the sensitivity of the talks with BP. said the government was acting out of "abundance of caution" and didn't want potentially dangerous pressure tests on a tighter containment cap that has been placed over the well to go ahead until BP answers questions about possible risks.

At the same time, BP on its own halted the drilling of two relief wells that are designed to be a more permanent solution to plug the well.

The delays were a stunning setback after the oil giant finally seemed to be on track following nearly three months of failed attempts to stop the spill, which has sullied beaches from Florida to Texas and decimated the multibillion dollar fishing industry

The administration official said Energy Secretary Steven Chu, U.S. Geological Survey chief Marcia McNutt and other government scientists met with BP Tuesday in Houston and had a number of questions about the plan to test the integrity of the well. Chu and other officials want to ensure that putting downward pressure on the well will not cause further leaks, the official said.

"Our basic position was, if you can give us the answers we need ... then go ahead," the official said. Until then, "they can't go forward."

The official stressed that the government was acting out of "an abundance of caution" and still hopes the temporary cap can be placed on the well.

The new, temporary well cap had been seen as the best hope since April of stopping the geyser. Work on a permanent fix, relief wells that will plug the spill from

below with mud and cement, also was halted. Oil continued to spew nearly unimpeded into the water, with no clear timeline on when it would stop. BP shares were down 2.5 percent in afternoon trading in London after recouping some of their oil spill losses earlier this week, when the cap project seemed to be moving ahead.

"We want to move forward with this as soon as we are ready to do it," said Kent Wells, a BP senior vice

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## **Obituaries**

There are no obituaries today.

## **EMERGENCY SERVICES**

#### PAMPA PD

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

Officers reported nine traffic-related calls and three accidents.

Animal control officers reported 13 animal-related

Pampa EMS reported five ambulance calls. The Pampa Fire Department reported one medical call. Tuesday, July 13

An alarm was reported in the 1000 block of North

Officers assisted a motorist in the 700 block of West Brown.

Officers performed welfare checks in the 400 block of East Frederic and in the 100 block of West

Firefighters were called to a grass fire in the 700 block of North Deane

Officers performed a welfare check in the 1200 block of North Garland.

A burglary was reported in the 500 block of North Powell.

An alarm was reported in the 2400 block of North Evergreen.

Officers performed welfare checks in the 900 block of North Frost and in the 900 block of South

Harassment was reported to police.

A 911 hangup call was reported in the 400 block of East Browning.

City officials turned off the water in the 800 block of East Foster.

An assault was reported in the 1200 block of Crawford

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

Criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of North Wynne.

Harassment was reported to police. An alarm was reported

in the 500 block of North Somerville. Officers performed a welfare check in the 300

block of North Christy. A burglary was reported in the 900 block of Frederic.

Officers performed a welfare check in the 1700

block of Hamilton. Wednesday, July 14

A suspicious person was reported in the 900 block of West 18th.

A threat was reported in the 1900 block of North Chestnut. A suspicious person was

reported in the 1600 block of East U.S. Highway 60. A vehicle was reported

stolen in the 1800 block of North Banks reported in the 120 block

Suspicious persons were of North Hobart and in the 600 block of North Hobart.

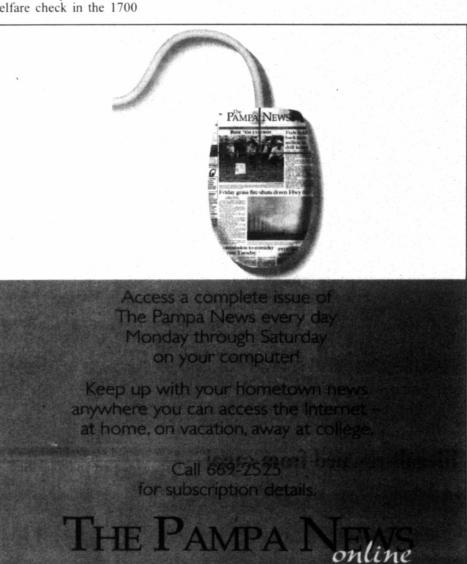
The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported

### SHERIFF

the following arrests during the 24-hour period ending at 8 a.m. today.

Tuesday, July 13 Dante Allen Wilbur, 20, of Lefors, was arrested by police on four capias pro fine warrants.

Kenneth Lowll Williams. 41, of Lefors, was arrested by the Lefors Marshal on charges of speeding.



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## AFTERNOON RUSH

#### Dallas area mayor shot dead

Police found no signs of forced entry.

COPPELL (AP) — The mayor of an upscale suburb of Dallas and her teenage daughter were found shot to death at their home, city officials said Wednesday. Police discovered the bodies of Coppell Mayor Jayne Peters, 55, and Corrine Peters, 19, around 7:45 p.m. Tuesday, city spokeswoman Sharon Logan said.

"It appears that both suffered gunshot wounds to the head," Logan said.

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Police officers went to their home after the usually prompt mayor failed to arrive at a city council meeting and did not call to explain her absence, Logan

The circumstances of the shootings remained unclear. The Dallas County Medical Examiner's office said the autopsies have not been completed.

"Because we do not have all the facts and the investigation is not complete, we cannot release any additional information," said Deputy Police Chief Steve

#### No death penalty for woman

TEXARKANA, Ark. (AP) — Texas prosecutors aren't seeking the death penalty for a woman accused of starving and beating her 13-year-old adopted son to death last year.

Cass County District Attorney Clint Allen said Tuesday there was a great deal of deliberation before the decision was made to take the punishment off the table in the case of Cynthia Hudson, of Queen City.

Cynthia Hudson is charged with capital murder in the December 2008 death of Samuel Hudson and now faces life without parole if convicted.

Law enforcement and child welfare officials say Samuel Hudson was beaten with a broom handle, a rake and other items, and that his hands and feet were bound with large plastic zip ties.

Hudson's attorney couldn't be reached for comment on Wednesday.

#### Tech fund out of money

AUSTIN (AP) — The state's Emerging Technology Fund that was created to boost research and startup companies is out of money, at least for now.

And the state has stopped taking applications for future awards. The Austin

American-Statesman reported Wednesday that the fund is tapped out. That's even though the governor's office has committed only about half of the \$203 million the Legislature appropriated for the fund.

Gov. Rick Perry's office blames slow federal payments for \$50 million of the shortfall and a \$50 million discrepancy in the appropriations process for the rest.

The emerging tech fund, along with the Texas Enterprise Fund, are two state accounts Perry champions as tools for helping to spur business investment and create jobs in the state.

#### Illegals rescued from canal

EL PASO (AP) — Four suspected illegal border crossers are safe after being rescued from a canal at the Mexican border.

El Paso Fire Depa tment spokesman John Concha said the group was spotted in the canal on El Paso's east side, just across the Rio Grande from Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, around 5:25 a.m. Wednesday. U.S. Border Patrol agents rescued two men and a woman, while a fourth man was plucked from the water by the El Paso Fire Department,

Concha said all four were taken to a local hospital for treatment. They remain in Border Patrol custody.

#### Woman the target of candy bomb

HOUSTON (AP) — Federal agents have confirmed that a Houston woman was the target of an exploding pipe bomb, not her oil executive husband.

Vennie Wolf was injured at home Friday when she opened a shoebox-sized package that sprayed shrapnel and nails at her. Authorities said the 58-year-old woman received the package some weeks before but initially was reluctant to open it because she did not know who it was from.

Special Agent Robert Elder from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives says the incident appears to be isolated. Authorities don't yet have a motive, but Wolf's husband was not the intended victim.

Some neighbors said the package was disguised as a candy box, but Houston police declined to confirm that. Wolf was treated at a local hospital and released.

### Penitas under voluntary evac

PENITAS (AP) — The Rio Grande community of Penitas is under a voluntary evacuation as crews worked to shore up an eroding levee amid the threat of flooding. Mayor Marcos Ochoa made the decision Wednesday

morning after workers a day earlier dumped 120 loads of fill and large rocks on a deteriorating section of levee near a water pump station.

The western Hidalgo County community is just one of several where the Rio Grande is expected to continue rising in coming days.

Nearby Los Ebanos has been under a mandatory evacuation since Monday.

The International Boundary and Water Commission at midday Wednesday planned to increase the water releases from its Falcon Dam upstream by a third, to 60,000 cubic feet per second.

#### New head for Missouri Synod

ST. LOUIS (AP) - For the first time in nine years, the nation's second-largest Lutheran denomination has a new president.

Delegates for the suburban St. Louis-based Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod elected the Rev. Matthew Harrison as president. He defeated the incumbent, Dr. Gerald Kieschnick, by a vote of 54 percent to 45 percent.

are meeting. The church holds its convention every three

Kieschnick was elected in 2001 and re-elected in 2004 and 2007. He drew the ire of some pastors soon after his first election for allowing a pastor to participate in an interfaith service at Yankee Stadium following the terror-

Harrison has been director of LCMS World Relief and Human Care.

Balloting was Tuesday in Houston, where delegates



staff photo by David Bowser

Blackie and Paint pull Roy Ratliff's stagecoach down Texas Highway 152 west of Pampa. Ratliff is on his way back home to Arkansas after a trip to

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them turn on a road and

just go down that road,"

He said he's really

"I've met many, many

nice people," Ratliff said.

Ratliff said.

enjoyed his trips.

everything inside. Right now, a few of his belongings have to be packed on top or on the back of the wagon.

"It's not long enough," he said, looking at the colorful wagon.

Ratliff said that when he first started five years ago, he didn't know exactly what he'd need in the way of space. Each stagecoach has incorporated new improvements.

His wagon is anything but primitive.

Ratliff tracks his progress on a laptop computer that's hooked into a GPS system. He said the map on the computer screen is easier to use than a folding road map.

You have to get a different map for each state," he said as he looked at the laptop. "That's so much better than a real map."

The license plates tacked to the back of his wagon help him keep track of the states that he's visited. They include Tennessee, Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma and several he hasn't gotten around to nailing up.

Ratliff keeps in touch through email. He has a solar panel that charges the battery in his wagon. His cell phone plugs into his computer.

"It's like dial-up," Ratliff said. "It's really slow."

His sister, Samantha Wilson of Lavaca, Ark., is responsible for the brightly colored coach and the people in the windows.

Ratliff said he'd asked her to go to town and get some plywood for the wagon and paint a stagecoach on the sides.

She went him one better and painted people on the inside of the door he made in the plywood.

"That's not bad," said admiringly.

The wagon turned over in New Mexico a few weeks ago.

Ratliff had been going up a hill in the Land of Enchantment and stopped to give Blackie and Paint a breather.

As he got out of the wagon, a stray dog came up and began to bark.

The horses took off without Ratliff.

Rather than go on up the hill, the pair of horses pulling the wagon took off down a ditch. By the time Ratliff could get to them, the wagon had turned over and the horses had dragged it 300

Ratliff unhitched the horses and then tied a rope to Blackie and she helped him right the overturned wagon.

"I spent about two days picking everything up," e said.

He's fixed most of the damage to the wagon, but some of the lights got knocked out and there's still some split lumber at the front right corner of the wagon.

Ratliff said he might be back next year. Then again, he may not. It depends upon where Black and Paint take him.

"I've been known to let



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## Today in History

Today is Wednesday, July 14, the 195th day of 2010. There are 170 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On July 14, 1960, British researcher Jane Goodall arrived at the Gombe Stream Reserve in the Tanganyika Territory (in present-day Tanzania) to begin her famous study of chimpanzees in the wild. On this date:

In 1789, during the French Revolution, citizens of Paris stormed the Bastille prison and released the seven prisoners inside.

In 1798, Congress passed the Sedition Act, making it a federal crime to publish false, scandalous or malicious writing about the United States govern-

In 1853, Commodore Matthew Perry relayed to Japanese officials a letter from President Millard Fillmore, requesting trade relations.

In 1881, outlaw William H. Bonney Jr., alias "Billy the Kid," was shot and killed by Sheriff Pat Garrett in Fort Sumner, N.M.

In 1921, Italian-born anarchists Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti were convicted in Dedham, Mass., of murdering a shoe company paymaster and his guard. (Sacco and Vanzetti were executed six vears later.)

In 1933, all German political parties, except the Nazi Party, were outlawed.

In 1958, the army of Iraq overthrew the monarchy. In 1960, Sen. Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas was nominated for vice president at the Democratic national convention in Los Angeles.

In 1966, eight student nurses were murdered by Richard Speck in a Chicago dormitory.

Ten years ago: A powerful solar flare disrupted some satellite and shortwave radio communications. Five years ago: Chief U.S. Justice William H. Rehnquist, ending a two-day stay in the hospital, pledged to continue working as long as his health

permitted. (Rehnquist died in Sept. 2005.) One year ago: Disgraced financier Bernard Madoff arrived at the Butner Federal Correctional Complex in North Carolina to begin serving a 150year sentence.

Today's Birthdays: Playwright Arthur Laurents is 93. Actor Dale Robertson is 87. Actor Harry Dean Stanton is 84. Actress Nancy Olson is 82. Actress Polly Bergen is 80. Former football player Rosey Grier is 78. Actor Vincent Pastore is 64. Rock musician Chris Cross (Ultravox) is 58. Actor Jerry Houser is 58. Movie producer Scott Rudin is 52. Singer-guitarist Kyle Gass is 50. Country musician Ray Herndon (McBride and the Ride) is 50. Actress Jane Lynch is 50. Actor Matthew Fox is 44. Rock musician Ellen Reid (Crash Test Dummies) is 44. Rock singer-musician Tanya Donelly is 44. Actress Missy Gold is 40. Olympic gold medal snowboarder Ross Rebagliati is 39. Country singer Jamey Johnson is 35. Hip-hop musician taboo (Black Eyed Peas) is 35.

Thought for Today:

"A man must be both stupid and uncharitable who believes there is no virtue or truth but on his own side." - Joseph Addison, English essayist and poet



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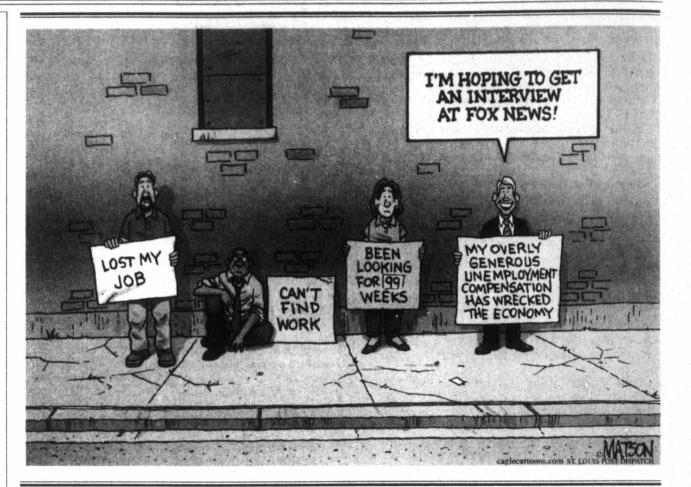
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# How 2 million lost jobless benefits

**ANDREW TAYLOR** Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) Keeping unemployment benefits flowing for millions of workers whose jobs were eaten by the recession should have been a slam dunk in an election

But until this month, Senate Democrats have been unable to bring themselves to pass a simple bill that just does it. Instead they've demanded a series of unrelated and often controversial tax and spending add-ons that have enabled Republicans to mount successful filibusters.

Now that the legislation has been shorn of all the extras, the bill could win final passage soon. It can't come soon enough for more than 2 million people whose checks have been cut off in a fivemonth impasse in which there's plenty of blame to go around:

Democrats and their leaders made several decisions that in retrospect look like miscalculations, like pulling the rug out from under a bipartisan measure launched back in February and loading a subsequent bill with \$24 billion for governors — guaranteeing that most Republicans would vote against it.

Republican moderates voted one way in March to help the bill pass but changed their minds just weeks later, having gotten religion from GOP leaders and tea partiers on the budget deficit.

Little remembered amid the ongoing partisanship and recrimination is that jobless benefits also got sideswiped by President Barack Obama's health care overhaul.

To reduce the health care bill's impact on the deficit, Democrats decided to close almost \$30 billion in tax loopholes. Until the final health care push, those revenues had been designated to cover the cost of extending other popular family and business tax breaks as part of a broad bipartisan jobless benefits package.

Besides the jobless aid, the measure contained a payroll tax holiday for businesses, tax breaks for business, health insurance subsidies and help for doctors facing a cut in their Medicaid payments. It had support from across the political spectrum, from Obama to conservative Senate Republicans. Some liberals, however,

balked at the deal, which was cut principally by Senate Finance Committee Chairman Max Baucus, D-Mont., and the committee's senior Republican, Sen. Charles Grassley of lowa. The liberals didn't like that their "jobs agenda" seemed hijacked by business lobbyists, who won items like research and development tax credits and some arcane measures such as tax breaks for NASCAR tracks. With unemployment hovering just under 10 percent, they also thought it was too light on subsidies for preserving and creating jobs.

So Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid blew up the agreement, instead advancing a pared-back jobs bill excusing businesses from having to pay the employer share of Social Security taxes this year on any new workers they hire. Economists were dubious it would produce many jobs. Meanwhile, unemployment aid would wait for later legislation.

"We could have had this bill passed in three days and ... Reid decided to scuttle it," Grassley complained. "Baucus read about it in the paper."

The delays meant that Congress had to pass a chort-term extension of jobless benefits at the end of February. Reid and Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., worked out a deal for a quick vote to avoid an interruption in benefits.

But another Kentucky Republican, Sen. Jim Bunning, single-handedly held up the bill for days, demanding that government spending elsewhere be cut to pay for the jobless benefits rather than add to the federal debt. Bunning folded on March 2. But his fight resonated with tea partiers and millions of other voters worried about year after year of trilliondollar deficits. In the meantime, Reid

resurrected the longer-term jobless aid package. He mixed in familiar elements like extending expired tax breaks and added a \$24 billion package of aid to cash-starved state governments so they could avoid layoffs of tens of thousands of public employees - a key part of last year's economic stimulus bill. The result was a bill add-

ing almost \$100 billion to the deficit. That meant that GOP support would be limited. But it still passed in March with support from several Republicans, including key moderate Sens. Olympia Snowe and Susan Collins of Maine and George Voinovich of Ohio.

That was the bill's high point. The political sands soon began to shift.

Another short-term unemployment insurance extension — needed to buy time for negotiations on the bigger bill — came at the end of March. It would be the last. Beginning in June, hundreds or thousands of workers unemployed for more than six months started losing the weekly checks.

More Republicans picked up on Bunning's position and demanded cuts in other programs, including Obama's \$862 billion stimulus bill passed a year earlier, to pay for the extension. It was a message the party

felt increasingly comfortable with after losing the health care fight, especially as the European debt crisis roiled the markets and the U.S. government's debt topped \$13 trillion. Republicans stressed that with the unemployment rate still near double digits, iobless benefits averaging \$300 a week should be extended — but that they should be paid for.

"You never know in politics when that magic moment comes when things really begin to change, but I believe that it has occurred now," GOP Whip Jon Kyl of Arizona told reporters March 26. "I think you'll see a much greater commitment now to fiscal responsibility."

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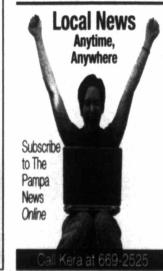
The short-term jobless aid extension passed, but it took until late May for their House and Senate negotiators to agree on a longerterm jobless aid package featuring new business tax increases but still racking up \$115 billion in new government debt over the next decade.

This time, conservative House Democrats recoiled. House leaders were forced to sharply pare the mea sure back, eliminating new aid for state governments as well as a longer-term fix for doctors threatened with a 21 percent cut in Medicare payments.

The House passed the bill on May 28, returning the measure to the Senate, where debate consumed the Senate's entire June schedule. Democrats still wanted to help governors with their payrolls but ultimately acceded to cutting it by one-third and paying for it partly with cuts from last year's stimulus bill. Even that measure failed just before Congress recessed for the July 4 holiday. Reid is now resigned to

a stand-alone six-month extension of unemployment benefits at a cost of \$33 billion. Aides say he will try to pass it when West Virginia Gov. Joe Manchin names a successor to fill the seat of Democratic Sen. Robert C. Byrd, who died two weeks ago. Those who lost benefits will get them retroactively.

Democrats also maintain hopes of passing a \$16 billion aid package for governors aimed at preserving the jobs of tens of thousands of state workers through the election. They intend to pay for it in part by cutting food stamp ben-



### 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.

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asphalt, porous pavers, or other porous comparable materials." Violation of the new ordinance is a Class C Misdemeanor, and each day of the violation shall constitute a separate offense.

· City Commissioner Robert Dixon made a brief presentation suggesting upgrades to the city's animal shelter, including the potential formation of a city sanctioned board of volunteers to help oversee any improvements.

"I just think it would be really good to actually see," said Dixon. "You hear people say, 'Yeah, we'd like to do it.' Well, let's see how many people we could

get to actually do this. "I think we may be surprised. There are a lot of people out there that would volunteer their time and effort and money to see that we have an animal shelter

that lives up to this community." The Commission acknowledged a current citizen-backed push for improving the city's current facilities, with a small group of volunteers scheduled to lend a hand at the animal shelter later this month. Mayor Lonny Robbins also acknowledged that current shelter adoption procedures are under revision to make it easier

animals to be adopted. · The City authorized City Manager Richard Morris to enter into an agreement with Don Lane for interim City Attorney services. Mark Buzzard, who previously filled the City Attorney position, recently resigned, citing scheduling conflicts caused by an increased workload in his private practice.

"I really enjoyed the work," Buzzard said on Wednesday. He added he enjoyed

the people he worked with at the city. Among other things, Buzzard is currently co-counsel in the Mary Bolin capital

• The City appointed Katherine Flume and Jeanna Miller to the Lovett Memorial Library Board for a two-year term each, beginning July 14 of this year and ending on Sept. 30, 2012.



## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My girlfriend, "Donna," and I have shared a wonderful relationship for nearly three years. During her college days she had a sexual encounter with her best female friend. (They had been friends since high school.)

Although they graduated from college five years ago, they continue to see each other. Donna tells me that nothing sexual goes on between them. Personally, I don't trust her friend. Please help me get over this. - TONY IN WHIT-TIER

DEAR TONY: Forget about not trusting Donna's longtime friend. Do you trust Donna? You have been together nearly three years and obviously, you talk about everything. Ask her if, after experimenting with her friend, she still has hankerings in that direction. If the answer is no, believe

DEAR ABBY: I have been in a relationship with a lady for the past few months. How do I tell her that I want out without hurting her badly?

I have tried a couple of times to end things, but she gets hysterical, starts crying and accuses me of wanting someone else, which is not true. Please give me some advice. - IN A FIX, PASCA-GOULA, MISS.

DEAR IN A FIX: If you want out, prepare yourself for her emotional reaction. As you can see, she does not take this kind of news well. Tell her again that you want to end the relationship. When she starts crying and accusing you of wanting someone else, hand her a tissue and tell her you think she's "great," but you're not ready to

settle down with anyone right now. DEAR ABBY: My husband doesn't like to go to funerals. In the 25 years we have been together, I think he has only been to three - and that was only because he had been asked to be a pallbearer. Fortunately, we haven't had to deal with many losses on either side of the family.

We were talking recently and he shared that he would not go to his own mother's funeral! They have a very close relationship, and he explained that he only wants to remember her in life, not in a coffin. I feel he should set aside his own uncomfortable feelings and be there for the rest of the family - especially his brothers and sisters. What do you think? - PAM IN SPRINGFIELD,

DEAR PAM: Your husband's feelings may change when the inevitable happens. However, whatever he decides -- and I cannot stress this strongly enough -- you should back him up, be there for him and not judge him.

DEAR ABBY: I recently completed my first year of college. During the year, I met my current boyfriend. My goal this summer is to have him meet my parents. Because we live six hours apart, I thought it would be best if he stayed over at my parents' house — in the guest room, of course.

My father objected to it, but said that if it were deemed acceptable by you, he would reconsider. What do you say, Abby? Is there really a problem with having one's boyfriend sleep over at one's parents' house? - CURIOUS

DEAR CURIOUS CO-ED: If the sleeping accommodations are as you have described — and as long as there isn't any hanky-panky going on in the wee hours of the morning - I see no problem with it.

## Afghan attacks kill eight U.S. soldiers in deadly 24 hours

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan (AP) -Eight American troops died in attacks in southern Afghanistan, including a car bombing and gunfight outside a police compound in Kandahar, officials said Wednesday as the Taliban push back against a coalition effort to secure the volatile region.

The deadly 24 hours for U.S. troops came a day after three British soldiers were killed when one of their Afghan army allies attacked them with gunfire and rocket-propelled grenades. A senior Afghan army officer identified the man as a Shiite Hazara - an ethnic minority usually opposed to the Taliban — and said his motive was still unclear.

In the southern city of Kandahar, a suicide attacker slammed a car bomb into the gate of the headquarters of the elite Afghan National Civil Order Police late Tuesday night, a NATO statement said. Minutes later, insurgents opened fire with machine guns and rocket-propelled grenades.

Three U.S. troops, an Afghan policeman and five civilians died in the attack, but NATO said the insurgents failed to enter the compound.

The special police unit, known as ANCOP, had only recently been dispatched to Kandahar to set up checkpoints along with international forces to try to secure the south's largest city, the spiritual birthplace of the Taliban.

The dead civilians included three Afghan translators and two security guards, Kandahar provincial police chief Sardar Mohammad Zazai said.

Taliban spokesman Qari Yousef Ahmadi telephoned reporters Wednesday to claim responsibility for the attack. The insurgents, which are prone to exaggerate death tolls inflicted on Afghan and international security forces, claimed 13 international troops and eight Afghan security forces died in the raid.

NATO and Afghan troops are fanning out elsewhere in Kandahar province to pressure insurgents in rural areas. The strategy is to improve security with more and better-trained police and troops so that capable governance can take root and development projects can move forward and win the loyalty of ordinary Afghans.

The Taliban have responded by ratcheting suicide attacks and bombings, making last month the deadliest for international forces in the nearly 9-year-old war, which began when U.S.-backed forces topped the Taliban's radical Islamist regime for sheltering al-Qaida's terrorist leadership.

Four more American troops were killed Wednesday by a roadside bomb in the south, while one more U.S. service member died the same day of wounds from a gunbattle.

So far in July, 45 international troops have died in Afghanistan, 33 of them Americans.

Also Wednesday, a senior army officer identified the Afghan soldier who turned against his British allies and killed three of them as Talib Hussein, age 22 or 23, from the eastern province of Ghazni.

## County

morning meeting.

will discuss They renewing the Texas Attorney General's contract with the District Clerk's office regarding reimbursement of child support payments and adding one person

all accounts in the Gray County Tax Office.

The commissioners will also consider an Oil and Gas Division Order with Burk Royalty Co. regarding Gaines County School Land.

The commission will to the signature list for recognize the continuing cont. from page 1

education accomplishments of Judge Mary Ann Carpenter, Justice of the Peace for Precinct Four in McLean.

The Gray County Commission will meet at 9 a.m., Thursday, in the county courthouse, 205 N. Russell.

## Rabies

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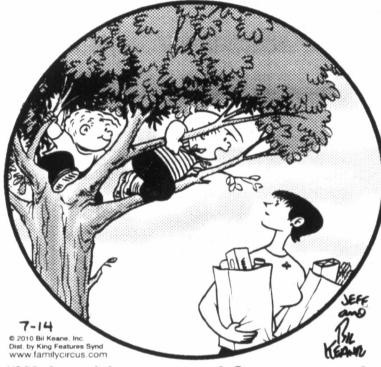
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THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



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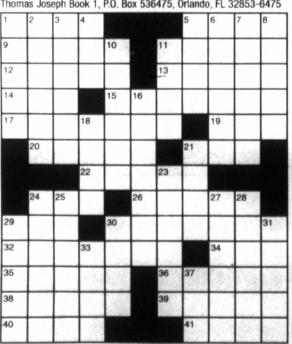
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July 14, 2010:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday,

This year, your community or profes-

sional image could change suddenly. The

good news is that something better will

come out of this situation, which might

look like an unexpected job offer. At first

you might not see the silver lining in the

cloud, but it is there. An elder parent

could become quirky yet indulgent. If

you are single, you must make an effort

to meet someone. Once you do, you

could be surprised by the end result. If

you are attached, the two of you enjoy

more time just sharing together, without

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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll

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be done, and quite quickly at that.

Prioritize and organize in order to

achieve your goals by Friday. A caring

gesture to a family member or friend

opens a door wider. Tonight: Put your

★★★★ The ball is in your court. You

might not want to do the obvious. Your

imagination remains a great resource for

finding solutions or moving past a hur-

dle. Be gentle with a child or potential

\*\* Keep an important matter discreet.

In fact, the wise move would be not to

discuss this situation with anyone, except

sweetie. Tonight: Midweek break.

GEMINI (May 22-June 20)

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Daily Horoscope

for perhaps a trusted loved one. How

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tle to do with the real story. Stay tuned in.

\*\*\*\*Asking questions could irritate

someone. Asking the right questions

could be more important than you real-

ize. The person you are dealing with is

capable of sarcasm and exaggeration.

\*\*\* Sometimes a gesture says more

than words. Such is the situation right

now. Choosing a token of affection or

going out to buy a card allows more cre-

ativity than usual. News is warped. More

facts are needed. Tonight: Check your

★★★★ It is prime time for you. If you

knew that at the end of the day you

would succeed, what would you choose

to do or handle? Use that thought when

approaching your plans. At the end of the

day, you see the power of positive think-

ing. Tonight: Whatever knocks your

\*\* Take your time, knowing you

might not be up to snuff or you might be

dragging. Insulate yourself. Close the

door. Screen your calls. You actually

might enjoy the calmness if you do.

Much is going on in your mind. Confront

\*\*\*\* Meetings and networking

might prove to be more important than

you originally thought. Others need your

support, as you do theirs. An unexpected

disruption in your work might not be

bad. Tonight: Go off with friends

Tonight: Catch up on a friend's news.

More is forthcoming. Tonight: Chill.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) \*\*\* The way you respond to challenges and others in general is in the midst of a major change. Your ability to transform negative traits starts to make a big difference. More information heads in from a distance. Tonight: Choose an

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) \*\*\* A partner has a certain set of skills that you don't have. As a result, when he or she wants to take the lead on a project, let him or her. Even you, the master of surprise, could be taken aback

by news. Tonight: Listen to suggestions.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) \*\*\* Defer to others, and let them understand what you are facing. Their attitude will change quickly. The unexpected could hit your finances. You'll see the positive opportunity that comes forward if you stay open. Tonight: Choose

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to be with a favorite person.

Singer Woody Guthrie (1912), newscaster John Chancellor (1927), music executive Tommy Mottola (1949)

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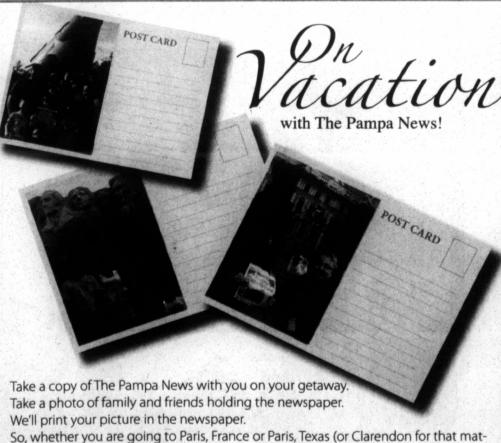
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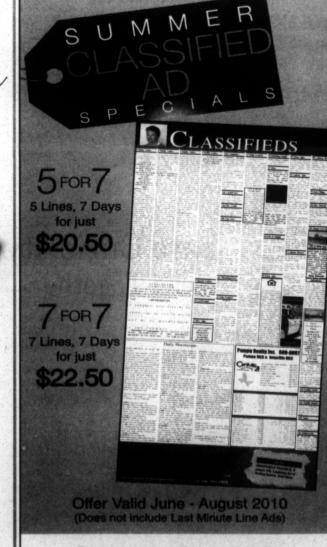
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# Sports

# Pitching gives National League a new streak of one

1996 was the year that Troy Aikman and the Dallas Cowboys won their last Super Bowl. The Colorado Avalanche won the Stanley Cup in a triple overtime clincher in their first season after they moved from Quebec. The Chicago Bulls won their first title of their final three-peat and it was also the last time the National League won the All-Star game before last night.

There was one element that was similar in last night and the 1996 win: pitching. This is what helped end a 13-game unbeaten streak by the American League. Nine National League pitchers held the American League to one run (unearned) on six hits, allowed two extra base hits, walked three and struck out eight. In 1996, nine National League pitchers held the American

League to zero runs on seven hits, allowed one extra base hit, walked zero and struck out five.

The Colorado Rockies' Ubaldo Jimenez set the tone for the NL as he only allowed two hits and a walk in two innings. The only threat from the American League came in the first inning when Evan Longoria doubled. The next three pitchers held the AL without a hit. A throwing error in the fifth inning led to the only American League run.

The American League was only able to threaten two more times as they stranded a runner at third in the seventh inning and had the tying run at the plate most of the ninth inning. The big difference than the previous all-star games was the National League was able to finish. Some of the National



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League's previous losses they were only an out or two away from victory when they lost. In 2008, the National League had two outs in the bottom of the eighth and a 3-2 lead when Billy Wagner allowed Evan Longoria to hit a ground-rule double to tie the game. The American League would eventually win that game 4-3 in the 15th inning. In 2006, the National League led 2-1 in the top of the ninth and was one out from clinching the game. However, the American League rallied for three hits including a two-run triple by Michael Young to send them to a 3-2 victory In 2010, with a 3-1 lead,

Brian Wilson pitched a perfect eighth and Jonathan Broxton only allowed a lead-off single in the ninth and the National League finally have a winning streak. This year's All-Star game had similarites with the 1996 and the 1997 game. The 3-1 score was the same score the American League won in 1997 to start their unbeaten streak. Also that year, the American League had seven hits. The National League did not allow an earned run for the first time since 1996. In both 1996 and 1997 a catcher won the MVP award. Atlanta Braves catcher Brian McCann won the honor

this season. Just like 1997 a catcher came up with the key hit. Cleveland Indians Sandy Alomar Jr., hit a two-run home run to give the American League a 3-1 lead in 1997. McCann hit a three-run double last night to give the National League the lead for good. Additionally, 13 seems to be the magic number for a streak to end. In 1998, the Denver Broncos 31-24

victory over the Green Bay Packers in Super Bowl XXXII was the first AFC team victory in 13 seasons.

Now, will this victory start a streak for the National League? Only time will tell. In the year of the pitcher, pitching comes through for the National League to give them a win.

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## Snelgrooes keeps players active in summer

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The Pampa Harvesters had their final at-bat of the 2010 season April 24 at the Canyon Eagles. Preparations for the upcoming season began immedi-

ately for head coach Kaleb Snelgrooes and his squad. Snelgrooes said he had interviews with every player after the season ended.

"I let them know what their role is for the next year and what they need to work on," Snelgrooes said.

The baseball team played a 20-game schedule in the senior Babe Ruth League

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and work with strength and conditioning coach Scott Lewis three times a week in the weight room. Snelgrooes said he wants his players to remain active.

"I wanted them to play as many games as they can," Snelgrooes said. 'You can't simulate live pitching. With going to the weight room three days a week, and playing in Babe Ruth games they stay pretty active."

Snelgrooes said his team will work more on the season in the fall during their athletic period.

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during the baseball period in the fall and we will work on individual stuff," Snelgrooes said. "We will talk about what to expect from our upcoming 3A competition. It's kind of hard since we are spread so thin and I have a lot of players in football and

Snelgrooes is also an assistant coach for the football team and said his players do pretty much the same thing.

basketball.

"They work out in the weight room and will play 7-on-7," Snelgrooes said. "You cannot simulate "I have handful of guys game action. Any sport

Harley Knutson

Marvin Allison

Carolyn Allison

you have to give players reps whether it's football or baseball."

During the summer, Snelgrooes does take some time off and goes on vacation but his trips do revolve around baseball

"Even when I'm on vacation I'm always going to baseball games," Snelgrooes said on the way to Frisco, to watch a Roughriders game. "I always study the game."

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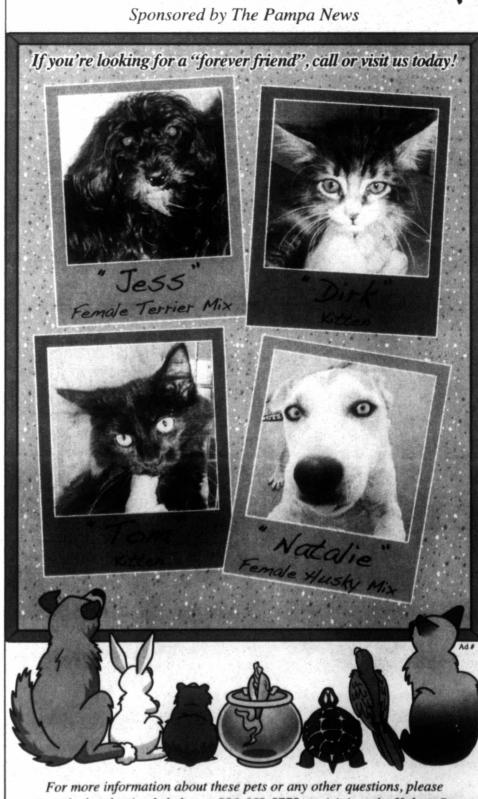
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