





# For the record

## PAMPA FORECAST

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Hig: 54 Low: 31	Hig: 56 Low: 17	Hig: 28 Low: 8 30%

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy with a low around 31. Blustery with a north-northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph.

**Tuesday:** Mostly sunny with a high near 54. Wind chill values between 22 and 32 early. North-northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

**Tuesday Night:** Partly cloudy with a low around 31. Wind chill values between 22 and 27. Breezy with a northeast wind 5 to 15 mph becoming south. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.

**Wednesday:** Mostly sunny with a high near 56. Windy with a south-southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph with gusts as high as 30 mph.

**Wednesday Night:** A chance of rain and snow before midnight, then a chance of snow. Mostly cloudy with a low around 17. Windy with a south-southeast wind 10 to 15 mph becoming north between 20 and 25 mph. Winds could gust as high as 35 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40 percent.

**Thursday:** A 30 percent chance of snow. Mostly cloudy with a high near 28. Windy with a north wind between 15 and 25 mph with gusts as high as 30 mph.

**Thursday Night:** Partly cloudy with a low around 8. North-northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

(This information brought to you by...)

**PRESTIGE**  
**AUTOBODY & ACCESSORIES**  
101 S. HOBART 806-665-3500  
**Dents, Dings, Collisions, we do it all**  
**Free Estimates, All Insurance**

## LAST MINUTE ADS

The Pampa News is not responsible for the content of paid advertisement.

HAVE YOU entered your VOGUE CLEANERS, 1542 N. Hobart, 669-7500. In the latest Big Contest? You New Ownership! Brandon Read won a cash prize. 1st. Richards Same great service! \$49.99 2nd. \$59.99 3rd. New low prices! See details in the Pampa News. Deadline to enter Fri. 1/14/11, 4 p.m.



**Share Curiosity.**  
**Read Together.**



www.read.gov

## Obituaries

There are no obituaries today.

## EMERGENCY SERVICES

### Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents over the weekend.

Police officers responded to 21 traffic related incidents and three accidents.

Pampa EMS responded to 23 ambulance calls.

Animal control officers responded to 12 calls.

The Pampa Fire Department responded to one grass fire, two dumpster fires, one medical call, one hazmat call and one vehicle fire.

The Lefors Volunteer Fire Department responded to one grass fire.

### Friday, Jan. 14

A suspicious person was reported at Farley and Oklahoma.

An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 900 block of S. Clark.

Officers conducted a follow-up investigation in the 300 block of N. Ballard.

A welfare check was conducted in the 1200 block of Hobart.

A medical call was reported in the 1500 block of W. Kentucky.

Officers conducted a follow-up investigation in the 200 block of N. Ballard.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 100 block of E. Harvester.

Officers provided an agency assist in the 100 block of N. Nelson.

An information call was reported in the 100 block of E. Harvester.

An alarm was reported in the 500 block of W. Foster.

Theft was reported in the 1400 block of N. Hobart.

An information call was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill.

Officers completed a special assignment in the 1500 block of S. Coulter.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 700 block of N. Naida.

Disorderly conduct was reported as Huff and Prairie.

An alarm was reported in the 2800 block of W. Kentucky.

Warrant service was reported in the 1800 block of N. Williston.

Officers completed a special assignment in the 100 block of E. Harvester.

A welfare check was conducted in the 1300 block of N. Hobart.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 1100 block of Seneca Ln.

Water was shut off in the 400 block of E. Kingsmill.

Disorderly conduct was reported twice in the 1000 block of S. Faulkner.

An information call was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 400 block of S. Pitts.

An information call was reported in the 1100 block of E. Francis.

A suspicious person was reported in the 100 block of E. Harvester.

### Saturday, Jan. 15

A suspicious person was reported in the 1400 block of N. Hobart.

A prowler was reported

in the 1700 block of Chestnut Dr.

An information call was reported in the 1700 block of N. Chestnut Dr.

A welfare check was conducted in the 800 block of N. Lefors.

A prowler was reported in the 400 block of N. Wells.

A suspicious person was reported in the 800 block of N. Dwight.

An information call was reported in the 400 block of N. Sumner.

An alarm was reported in the 400 block of N. Ballard.

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

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2100 block of N. Williston.

An abandoned vehicle was reported in the 1800 block of N. Williston.

Water was shut off in the 1500 block of N. Sumner.

An alarm was reported in the 300 block of S. Cuyler.

A sewer choke was reported in the 1300 block of E. Kingsmill.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2200 block of N. Beech Ln.

Identity theft was reported in the 2200 block of N. Beech Ln.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1900 block of N. Banks.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of N. Somerville.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2100 block of N. Russell.

Criminal trespass was reported in the 2600 block of N. Hobart.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1200 block of E. Darby Ave.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1100 block of E. Foster.

Theft was reported in the 400 block of Crest Ave.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1000 block of S. Nelson.

An alarm was reported in the 600 block of N. Frost.

Water was shut off in the 2100 block of Mary Ellen.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1000 block of N. Wells.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1100 block of Neel Rd.

A suspicious person was reported in the 100 block of N. Cuyler.

Phone harassment was reported in the 2200 block of Perryton Pkwy.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 300 block of N. Jean.

A domestic disturbance was reported in the 800 block of N. Nelson.

An assault was reported at One Medical Plaza.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1200 block of N. Hobart.

A suspicious person was reported in the 700 block of N. Hobart.

A suspicious person was reported in the 2000 block of W. Browning.

An information call was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1400 block of N. Hobart.

### Sunday, Jan. 16

Officers conducted a follow-up investigation in the 1000 block of E. Kingsmill.

Criminal mischief was

reported in the 1000 block of N. Wells.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1800 block of N. Wells.

An information call was reported in the 1100 block of N. Christine.

An information call was reported in the 200 block of W. Kingsmill.

Officers conducted a follow-up investigation in the 900 block of N. Mary Ellen.

A burglary was reported in the 800 block of N. Lefors.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 100 block of S. Starkweather.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1200 block of N. Hobart.

Officers conducted a follow-up investigation in the 1100 block of N. Christine.

Officer provided a motorist assist in the 200 block of W. Brown.

A prowler was reported in the 1700 block of N. Chestnut.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 500 block of N. Doucette.

A 911 hang-up was reported in the 500 block of N. Doucette.

A suspicious person was reported in the 2200 block of N. Sumner.

A suspicious person was reported in the 3100 block of N. Crest.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of N. Bradley Dr.

Officers conducted a follow-up investigation in the 2200 block of Mary Ellen.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 100 block of W. 30th.

Burglary of a motor vehicle was reported in the 700 block of N. Zimmers.

Officers provided an escort in the 200 block of N. Russell.

A sewer choke was reported in the 700 block of Mora.

Officers conducted a welfare check in the 1300 block of Garland.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 600 block of N. Hazel.

A suspicious person was reported in the 1700 block of N. Hobart.

Officers conducted a follow-up investigation in the 3100 block of N. Crest.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1000 block of Love.

An information call was reported in the 300 block of Miami.

A suspicious person was reported in the 100 block of S. Wynne.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1100 block of S. Huff Rd.

A violation of city ordinance was reported in the 1300 block of E. Kingsmill.

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

Officers completed a special assignment in the 100 block of W. 30th.

Disorderly conduct was reported in the 1100 block of S. Varnon Dr.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1000 block of N. Duncan.

A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1300 block of N. Hobart.

A suspicious person was reported in the 300 block of N. Hobart.

### Monday, Jan. 17

A suspicious person

was reported at Kentucky and Hobart.

A suspicious vehicle was reported at Hobart and Worrell.

A prowler was reported in the 400 block of E. Louisiana.

### Sheriff's Department

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests over the weekend.

### Friday, Jan. 14

Sammy Ray Doyle, 48, was arrested by deputies on charges of impersonating a public servant.

Kerrance Ramone Brown, 41, was arrested by officers on a blue warrant in connection with dangerous drugs.

Samuel Dwight Hagemann, 27, was arrested by deputies on charges of aggravated sexual assault on a child.

Adam Ross Slater, 28, was arrested by officers on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Lexton Bryan Larue, 21, was arrested by deputies on charges of seat belt violation, expired registration and failure to appear.

### Saturday, Jan. 15

Michael Anthony Wolfe, 20, of Creighton, Mo., was arrested by deputies on a fugitive warrant.

Jarvis Jarome Jones, 24, was arrested by officers on charges of possession of marijuana, and bond surrender on charges of driving with an invalid license.

Moises Jaquez Jr., 29, of Levelland, was arrested by deputies on theft by check and two capias pro fine warrants.

James Ivan McKinney, 46, was arrested by Department of Public Safety Troopers on charges of theft by check.

Travis Aaron Parkin, 28, was arrested by Department of Public Safety Troopers on charges of possession of dangerous drugs, failure to make full restitution and failure to appear.

Amanda Marie Helfer, 19, of Cartwright, Okla., was arrested by Department of Public Safety Troopers on charges of theft of property.

Shawna Laray Robinson, 35, was arrested by Department of Public Safety Troopers on a fugitive warrant.

Sara Franks, 22, of Albuquerque, N.M., was arrested by Department of Public Safety Troopers on charges of fabricating physical evidence with intent to defraud or do harm.

Dante Allen Wilbon, 20, of Lefors, was arrested by Department of Public Safety Troopers on charges of driving while intoxicated.

### Sunday, Jan. 16

Rogelio Valles Diera, 26, of Canadian was arrested by Department of Public Safety Troopers on charges of driving while intoxicated.

Samuel Newman, 19, was arrested by officers on charges of minor in consumption.

Robert James Ellis, 22, was arrested by officers on two warrants in connection with no motorcycle endorsement.



## AFTERNOON RUSH

### MLK celebrations across Texas

DALLAS (AP) — Parades, marches and other celebrations are scheduled across Texas in memory of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

Today is the 25th anniversary of the federal holiday named for the slain civil rights leader.

King would have been 82 on Jan. 15. He was assassinated in 1968.

Thousands are expected for the annual MLK march in San Antonio. Corpus Christi also plans a march.

A parade in Houston has the theme of "Bridging The Education Divide."

Abilene plans an afternoon parade, followed by an MLK dinner. An MLK lecture is scheduled tonight in Dallas.

In El Paso, volunteers with the MLK food drive plan to spend today sorting and delivering donations.

### Fewer sweet potatoes likely

GRAND SALINE (AP) — Many East Texas farmers are giving up on sweet potatoes, saying it's become hard to find properties that are big enough and they must fend off wild hogs and weevils that can devastate their crop.

Texas used to be one of nation's top growers of sweet potatoes. The Texas Department of Agriculture says it ranked No. 3 in 1970 with 13,500 acres.

This year, it was No. 8 with only 1,300 acres.

Tony Phillips of Grand Saline tells the Houston Chronicle there were 70 or 80 growers when he joined his father's and uncle's sweet potato business in 1978. Now, he thinks there's about 15.

Phillips himself isn't earning a living on sweet potatoes; he works at night at the Morton Salt Mine.

### Man rescued from garbage

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas emergency personnel used ladders and ropes to rescue an apparent homeless man buried in garbage in the back of a trash-hauling vehicle.

The injured man was transported to a Dallas hospital early Monday. Further details on his condition were not immediately available.

Investigators believe the man was sleeping in a trash bin that was emptied into the garbage truck.

Temperatures in the Dallas area were in the mid-40s early Monday.

### BLM sets lease sale

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — The Bureau of Land Management plans an oil and gas lease sale on federal lands in New Mexico and two other states on Wednesday.

The sale of oil and gas mineral rights will take place at the BLM office in Santa Fe. The minimum bid per acre is \$2.

The agency says 32 parcels of federal land totaling just over 12,000 acres in New Mexico, Texas and Oklahoma will be offered.

Leases will be awarded for 10 years or for as long afterward that there is production in paying quantities.

The federal government receives 12-and-a-half percent royalties on production on those leases. Fifty-two percent of the revenues from federal lease sales is returned to the federal government and 48 percent goes to the state where the lease occurs.

### Hundreds awaiting repairs

GALVESTON (AP) — About 1,500 Galveston residents await home repairs or reconstruction promised when the city received \$160 million in federal Hurricane Ike recovery funds.

The Houston Chronicle reported Monday that many of the people are still living in their homes damaged by the September 2008 storm.

The money, held up by federal and state red tape, was released by the city in early 2010.

Council members last week authorized hiring a monitor to supervise contractor Camp, Dresser and McKee. The cost will be covered by fees expected to be paid to CDM.

CDM program manager Deborah Siefert says many applicants lost documentation during the hurricane.

Siefert says as of December, 731 city applicants have been approved. She expects the pace of city construction will pick up within the next few months.

### El Paso considers bag fee

EL PASO (AP) — The El Paso city staff, in an effort to fight litter, is expected to propose a fee for consumers who prefer plastic bags over paper ones.

The *El Paso Times* reported Monday that the fee likely to be proposed by Marty Howell, who is the city's sustainability manager, will be 10 cents a bag.

Howell says you're "using a lot of energy and oil to make something that's just going to get thrown away."

The council has told City Manager Joyce Wilson to propose a way to reduce the number of bags on streets.

Brownsville this month became the first city in Texas to ban single-use plastic bags commonly offered by grocery and retail stores. Brownsville shoppers must pay a \$1 surcharge if they want a store's single-use plastic bag.

### Cat called for jury duty

BOSTON (AP) — Sal Esposito has been summoned for jury duty. There's only one problem: He's a cat, but he has been told by the court he must attend.

Despite owner Anna Esposito's protestations that a mistake has been made, a jury commissioner has ruled that Sal must attend the court.

She wrote that Sal was "unable to speak and understand English" — and included a letter from her vet saying that the animal was a "domestic short-haired neutered feline."

Bizarrely, the court ruled the animal must report to the courtroom. If the matter is not resolved he will have to report to Suffolk Superior Crown Court in Boston, U.S. on March 23.

Anna wrote Sal's name under "pets" on the last census — she crossed out "dogs" and said he was a cat.

"Sal is a member of the family so I listed him on the last Census form under "Pets," but there has clearly been a mix-up."

There are ten statutory disqualifications preventing people from serving on a jury. Anna said Sal was not suitable because he could not understand the language.

However, jurors are "not expected" to have a perfect command of the English language. The other exemptions did not apply because Sal was not ill, too old or a convicted felon.

# Why lawmakers have changed the Social Security 'payback option' law

TOM MARGENAU  
Creator's Syndicate

Q: I heard that Congress has eliminated the "payback option." Can you discuss this in your column?

A: Yes, the so-called "payback option" has essentially been eliminated. Or to be more precise, it's been greatly restricted. For readers not familiar with the term, the payback option is a provision of the law that — although originally intended for other purposes (as I'll explain in this column) — came to be used as an interest-free government loan scheme by well-to-do seniors. The rule allowed a person to file for reduced Social Security benefits at age 62 and continue to receive those benefits until age 66.

At that point, he or she would withdraw that first claim, pay back all benefits received, and then file a new claim and receive full retirement benefits from age 66 on. The advantage to this scheme is that the retiree would get to pocket all interest earned on the four year's worth of benefits received between age 62 and 66.

The Social Security Administration recently petitioned Congress to change the law to allow Social Security claims to be withdrawn only for a period of one year after an initial application for benefits is filed. Here is the story behind the change in the law.

Social Security regulations have always given people the option of changing their minds when it comes to claims for retirement benefits. So since the beginning of the program, the rules have allowed a person to withdraw his or her original Social Security claim. Normally, people would exercise this option because they had a change of heart about retirement.

Here is an example of how that worked. Fred retired at age 62 and filed for reduced retirement benefits from Social Security. But then



Social Security and you

six months later, he got bored and decided retirement was a mistake. So, he returned to work. Fred would have two options with respect to his Social Security. Option one: He could simply suspend his benefits and start them up again when he decides to retire permanently. In this case, he would keep the benefits already received. And when his Social Security checks are restarted, they would include an early retirement reduction only for the six months he got benefits before going back to work.

But using option two, Fred could withdraw his original Social Security claim, repay benefits received, and then file a new claim once he retires for good. That claim would include no reduction for early retirement — because he already paid back the reduced retirement benefits he initially received.

So that is why people were allowed to withdraw their original Social Security claims and pay back benefits. And until recently, that's the only reason people used the withdrawal and payback option.

But then wealthier and more financially savvy people came on the scene; the kind of people who saw Social Security not as the foundation of a retirement nest egg, but as just another investment vehicle. And they saw the withdrawal/payback option as a way to get free money from the government — in effect, an interest-free loan.

As I alluded to at the beginning of this column, they would file for Social Security at age 62 and simply invest every nickel of the benefits received until age 66. Then they would withdraw the claim and

write a check to the government for all the money they had gotten in the previous four years. But they would pocket any and all interest earned and start getting full Social Security benefits from that point forward.

I never was a big fan of this scheme. Even though it was completely legal — and I did include it in a fact sheet I wrote called "Five Ways To Maximize Your Social Security Benefits" — I always felt it was just another example of rich folks getting even richer off of a system that was primarily set up to help lower- and middle-income people.

Apparently, Congress felt the same way I did. That's why they've changed the law. By restricting the withdrawal period to one year, they've taken the law back to its original intent: a mechanism to let people change their minds about their initial decision to retire and file for Social Security.

And the revised law works the same way as I described in the earlier example involving Fred. It's just that now Fred, and everyone else, would have one year to change their minds.

And one final note: The fact sheet I mentioned is still available. I now simply call it "How To Maximize Your Social Security Benefits." Instead of five ways to do that, it illustrates four ways to get the most out of your Social Security investment. I must admit that the old-fashioned New Deal liberal part of me bristles when I discuss maximizing a Social Security "investment." I still firmly believe in the social roots of "Social" Security. But I understand that it's only human nature for a person to want to get back as much money as possible from a program that he or she was required to pay into for 40 or more years.

If you have a Social Security question, Tom Margenau has the answer. Contact him at [thomas.margenau@comcast.net](mailto:thomas.margenau@comcast.net).

## McDonald

cont. from page 1

Fire Department. She is also a dispatcher for the Pampa Police Department.

The McDonald family has a history in McLean.

"My granddad worked in the oil field out around Kellerville," McDonald said.

They moved from Kellerville to McLean.

Originally, the McDonalds came from Higgins.

"We've still got family in Higgins," McDonald said. "They're involved with the Higgins Fire Department."

The family ties to firefighting go deep, McDonald admitted.

He said that being a firefighter is all he's ever wanted to do.

McDonald said he remembers when he was seven or eight years old and going down to the fire station in McLean with his father and climbing all over the fire trucks.

With a broad grin, he said it was a lot of fun. McDonald said he enjoys what he does.

While it's a satisfying career, he admitted there are tense moments — especially at times like when wildfires swept

across the area almost five years ago, burning a million acres and killing several people. They burned along Interstate 40, threatening south to McLean and north almost to Canadian.

The first day of the wildfires, March 12, 2006, McDonald was on duty in Pampa.

"I heard them go out," he said of the McLean fire department. "Then we got busy here in town. I heard the two big grass fires start, then we got busy here in Pampa."

McDonald said he was called out on an electrical short and then there was a fire on South Somerville.

"It was several hours before I was getting any information out of McLean," he said. "Then, I got to listening to some of their radio traffic, and some of their trucks down around McLean had gotten in trouble. I could hear my Dad and my Uncle talking. It scared me."

McDonald said he could hear the frustration and the fear in their voices.

The fear was well-founded. The McLean firefighters were trying to stop the wildfire at Nine

Mile Station between Pampa and McLean when the fire surrounded them and jumped over their fire line.

"That was very frustrating for me because about that time we got called out north of town," McDonald said. "I knew my wife had gone home. She had come to Pampa that day to buy groceries with our son and her mom."

She had gone back to McLean and was on a fire truck.

"I didn't know where she was," McDonald said. "I didn't know where anybody was."

His family, in McLean could hear the traffic from the Pampa Fire Department, so they were worried about McDonald.

"Until the next morning," he said, "I didn't know what had happened down there."

McDonald said he went down Monday and helped in McLean. On Tuesday, he came back to Pampa and his unit was sent to McLean.

Wednesday and Thursday, he was off from Pampa, so he spent those days in McLean fighting fires.

"Luckily, Thursday night and into Friday, the rains came," McDonald said, "and really helped us all out."

He said there is no doubt where he belongs.

"My future's here," McDonald said. "My home's in Gray County, and I'm going to stay around as long as they'll let me."

McDonald's youngest son keeps saying he wants to be a firefighter, but occasionally he'll say he wants to be a police officer.

"Most of the time, he says he wants to be a firefighter like Daddy and his grandfather," McDonald said.

McDonald's stepson is a police officer in Muleshoe. His stepdaughters are going into the nursing field.

"They're all helping people," McDonald said proudly. "It's all about helping people."

"Helping people has always been something I've always wanted to do. I get great satisfaction from my job. I've got a good group of guys to work with up here, so I'm going to stick around a while."

## Bolin

cont. from page 1

were more severe than ones that would have been caused by simply lifting the baby without supporting its head.

Coffman said the injuries suffered by the baby would have been caused by violent shaking.

The report that Coffman wrote said that the baby died of abusive head trauma.

Coffman said there were no external marks indicating abuse, but there were injuries to the brain that were consistent with the shaking of the infant.

The doctor testified that there is a small amount of space between the brain and the inside of the skull. Violent shaking would cause injury to the brain of a baby.

With the jury out of the courtroom, defense attorney Harold Comer said that there were differing medical opinions among medical experts concerning the amount of force needed to injure an infant by shaking.

Coffman testified that other than the injury that killed the infant, the baby appeared to have been in

good health, although the baby did suffer from acid reflux. Coffman testified that such a condition is not uncommon in babies.

The infant had no bleeding disorder and had been given Vitamin K. She was also on a formula that would have combated any bleeding.

Coffman said that in reviewing the case, she saw no actions by the firefighters, ambulance crew or emergency room personnel that would have caused the baby's death.



# Viewpoints

## Today in History

Today is Monday, Jan. 17, the 17th day of 2011. There are 348 days left in the year. This is the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 17, 1961, President Dwight D. Eisenhower delivered his farewell address, in which he warned, "We must guard against the acquisition of unwarranted influence, whether sought or unsought, by the military-industrial complex. The potential for the disastrous rise of misplaced power exists and will persist."

### On this date:

In 1893, Hawaii's monarchy was overthrown as a group of businessmen and sugar planters, forced Queen Lili'uokalani to abdicate.

In 1917, the United States paid Denmark \$25 million for the Virgin Islands.

In 1945, Soviet and Polish forces liberated Warsaw during World War II; Swedish diplomat Raoul Wallenberg, credited with saving tens of thousands of Jews, disappeared in Hungary while in Soviet custody.

In 1950, the Great Brink's Robbery took place as seven masked men held up a Brink's garage in Boston, stealing \$1.2 million in cash and \$1.5 million in checks and money orders. (Although the entire 11-member gang was later caught, only part of the loot was recovered.)

In 1977, convicted murderer Gary Gilmore, 36, was shot by a firing squad at Utah State Prison in the first U.S. execution in a decade.

In 1989, five children were shot to death at the Cleveland Elementary School in Stockton, Calif., by a drifter, Patrick Purdy, who then killed himself.

In 1995, more than 6,000 people were killed when an earthquake with a magnitude of 7.2 devastated the city of Kobe, Japan.

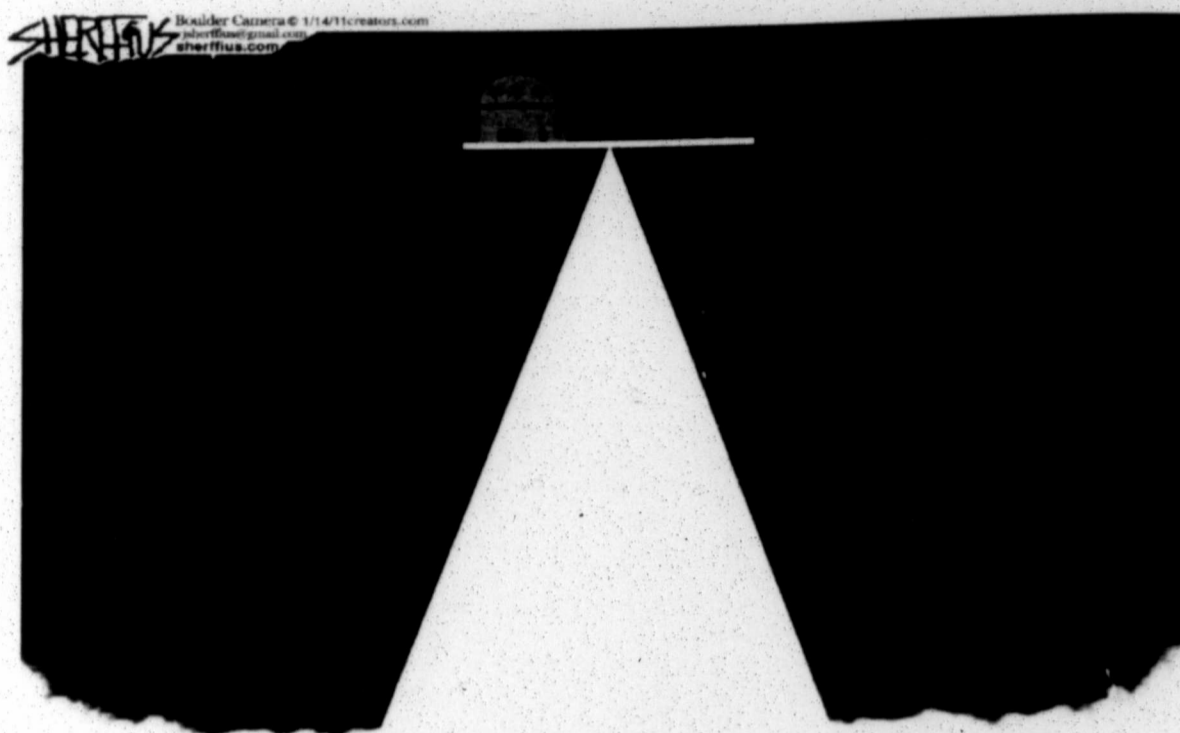
**Ten years ago:** Faced with an electricity crisis, California used rolling blackouts to cut off power to hundreds of thousands of people; Gov. Gray Davis signed an emergency order authorizing the state to buy power.

**Five years ago:** The U.S. Supreme Court protected Oregon's assisted-suicide law, ruling that doctors there who helped terminally ill patients die could not be arrested under federal drug laws.

**One year ago:** President Barack Obama appeared at a rally in Boston for Democratic senatorial candidate Martha Coakley, who was running in a special election. (Coakley ended up losing to Republican Scott Brown.)

**Today's Birthdays:** Actress Betty White is 89. Hairdresser Vidal Sassoon is 83. Actor James Earl Jones is 80. Talk show host Maury Povich is 72. International Boxing Hall of Famer Muhammad Ali is 69. Rhythm-and-blues singer William Hart (The Delfonics) is 66. Rock musician Mick Taylor is 63. Singer Steve Earle is 56. Singer Paul Young is 55. Actor-comedian Steve Harvey is 54. Singer Susanna Hoffs (The Bangles) is 52. Actor-comedian Jim Carrey is 49. First Lady Michelle Obama is 47. Rock musician Jon Wysocki (Staind) is 43. Actor Naveen Andrews is 42. Rapper Kid Rock is 40. Actor Freddy Rodriguez is 36. Actress Zoey Deschanel is 31.

**Thought for Today:** "If there is one basic element in our Constitution, it is civilian control of the military." — President Harry S. Truman (1884-1972)



"We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools."

Martin Luther King Jr.

## Tonight is a celebration of education

You are cordially invited to our spectacular Showcase — a Celebration of Learning!

Tonight the Pampa High School and the Pampa Independent School District will proudly open their doors to christen our first ever, First Annual Academic Showcase: Harvester Style!

Between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m., we invite everyone — parents, students, teachers, mentors, and neighbors — to join us in recognizing our harvest of academic success. We hope you will join our celebration to recognize student success and learning at all grade levels, in all subject areas, and within all programs. This event will provide an opportunity for our community to gain a clearer picture of the curriculum our students are engaged with, from kindergarten through their senior year in high school.

Pampa's first annual Academic Showcase has been designed to provide our community with a unique opportunity to actively experience and interact with student work. All academic subjects will be highlighted as students and teachers share points of powerful learning and benchmark skills provided through the curriculum. Approximately 90 learning tables will be set up throughout both the "commons" and McNeely Fieldhouse. By moving from one table to the next, those in attendance will have an opportunity

### County Class



EVAN SMITH

to experience the harvest of knowledge through close interactions with our students. Visitors will be able to ask questions, look at student work, and visit with teachers. By the

end of the evening, everyone will see and experience firsthand how learning unfolds and subsequently builds from one grade level to the next. All elective courses will also be represented, thus providing a glimpse into the exciting and varied offerings provided to our students in Pampa.

Representative groups from the Pampa ISD Fine Arts programs, physical educational programs, and representative student groups from each campus will provide entertainment throughout the evening. Performances will take place in the rotunda, the library, the main auditorium, and on stage in the "commons." Student talent will be highlighted through musical perfor-

mances, artistic displays, theatrical performances, and physical education routines.

Technological skills will be highlighted in a room equipped with many of the devices currently being utilized by students and teachers. Exploration in this area will provide participants with an opportunity to personally interact with some very interesting and engaging technologies. Spending time in this area will provide fascinating insights about how learning has adapted to accommodate the changing demands of the 21st century.

Plenty of parking will be available around the Pampa High School campus. Our doors will be open to welcome visitors on both the Randy Matson and Harvester Street sides of the building. A shuttle service will be provided for people who park on the streets surrounding the campus — this service will deliver people to and from the campus throughout the evening.

Finally, by attending our First Annual Academic Showcase: Harvester Style, you will support the hard work of students and professional educators within our community, and you will be guaranteed an evening full of interesting learning and enjoyable entertainment. We, the staff and students, invite each of you and hope to "See Ya'll There!"

Evan Smith is the Assistant Superintendent at Pampa Independent School District.

## The PAMPA NEWS

403 W. Atchison • Pampa, TX 79065

806-669-2525

Fax: 806-669-2520

Randall Pribble

Publisher

rpribble@thepampanews.com

ReDonn Woods

Advertising Manager  
woods@thepampanews.com

Sue Pribble

Advertising Representative  
spribble@thepampanews.com

Beverly Taylor

Classified Advertising  
classified@thepampanews.com

Kera Kent

Subscriptions  
circulation@thepampanews.com

Carrie Hair

Accounting  
bookkeeper@thepampanews.com

Chico Ramirez

Circulation Manager

Circulation2@thepampanews.com

Arnie Aurellano

Editor  
editor@thepampanews.com

David Bowser

Reporter  
dbowser@thepampanews.com

Andrew Glover

Reporter  
aglover@thepampanews.com

Marijane Kent

Composing  
composing@thepampanews.com

Marcus Elkins

Press Supervisor  
press@thepampanews.com

The Pampa News (UPS 781-540) is published daily, except Sundays, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Periodicals postage paid at Pampa, Texas. Postmaster: Send address changes to The Pampa News, P.O. Drawer 2198, Pampa, TX 79066-2198.

© 2010 The Pampa News



## Letter to the Editor

### Words matter

To the Editor:

A few years ago in North Dakota, two men hung a guy who they thought was gay over a fence. Do you ever wonder why they thought gay people should be treated that way?

In Texas, a couple of boys were in trouble for mistreating a gay boy. The judge turned them loose with the remark that he

didn't blame them and he would probably have done the same thing.

Notably, since the time of JFK, we have had a number of people killed or wounded by mentally unbalanced individuals. There never was any solid proof by anyone why they committed these crimes. I'm convinced most of these individuals thought they would become heroes for their actions. I think they got these ideas from

the words of others. ds

When the man on the street or the media or public officials create an atmosphere of hate, we give excuses for bad behavior from the mentally unbalanced. Recently, a friend of mine made the remark "the President should have been killed before he got in office."

Words matter! Otherwise, why do we tell our family we love them

instead of we hate them?

Hateful words from people in the public eye especially matter. Of course, I'm mostly talking about people like Rush Limbaugh and other hate mongers.

(Yes, as a "news junkie," I listen to and watch both conservative and liberal stations.)

Words matter!

Calvin Lacy  
Pampa





# Texas GOP denies shortfall

AUSTIN (AP) — How bad is the budget crisis in Texas? Ask the Republicans who run the state, and they'll tell you it's in the eye of the beholder.

The way they see it, the \$8 billion drop in state revenue can be offset with some belt-tightening. The \$7-billion loss in federal stimulus funding? Well, that was expected. And as for the roughly \$12 billion more that state agencies say they need to avoid cutting services, Republicans say they just won't get it.

Voila, the \$27 billion shortfall is gone.

"There's no shortage of commentators saying that we're on the verge of budgetary Armageddon," Republican Gov. Rick Perry recently told reporters. "The fact of the matter is that's just not true."

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, who presides over the state Senate and decides which legislation gets voted on, spent a lunch with the Capitol press corps trying to convince them they've got the story wrong.

"There is not a \$27 billion deficit, and I don't think there is even a \$15 billion deficit," Dewhurst said.

He went on to say the rebounding economy would provide more revenue and to express his faith in the Legislature's ability to address the problem efficiently.

But it's easy for Perry and Dewhurst to talk; they don't draft the two-year budget. That job falls to the staff of the House Appropriations Committee, Rep. Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie.

"There is no shortfall, because we know we don't have the available funds to do what we did last time," Pitts told a conservative conference on Thursday.

Technically, he and other Republican leaders are correct — for now. There is no deficit or shortfall as long as there is no budget, and Pitts said he won't reveal his first draft of the budget

until this week.

That's no comfort to state agencies, or those who depend on them for employment or services. The agencies generally expect the same amount of money every two years. If they are lucky, they get a slight boost to make up for inflation and increases in the population.

But the state comptroller says Pitts has only \$72.2 billion to spend, or about \$15 billion less than he had when he drafted the last budget in 2009.

Outsiders say that budget was already bare bones, and more cuts will be devastating.

"Texas is short \$27 billion to keep doing what we're doing," said F. Scott McCown, executive director of the Center for Public Policy Priorities, an organization that advocates for the poor. "If you don't want to educate all of our kids, if

you don't want to provide financial aid to worthy students in higher education, if you don't want to meet the critical needs of Texas families struggling to deal with the recession, then we're not short \$27 billion."

Those who deny there is a budget crisis don't dispute there will be spending cuts. The Texas Constitution requires a balanced budget, and Perry has said he will veto any budget that raises taxes.

Dewhurst said he expects the state to eliminate 8,000 jobs, but he promised that most of those positions will be ones that are already vacant.

Pitts said every section of the budget will be cut, including public education, health and human services, higher education and the Legislature's budget, but he refused to discuss other details.

## CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Robbers' chasers
  - 5 Propose
  - 10 Way out
  - 11 Laughed loudly
  - 13 Fred and Wilma's pet
  - 14 "Forget it!"
  - 15 Took as one's own
  - 17 Gear tooth
  - 18 Lease signers
  - 19 California's Big —
  - 20 "You're there!"
  - 21 Muscle quality
  - 22 Wilson of the Beach Boys
  - 25 "Divine Comedy" writer
  - 26 Spring period
  - 27 High hit
  - 28 Longoria of "Desperate Housewives"
  - 29 Inflatable item
  - 33 Snaky fish
  - 34 Musically cheery
  - 35 Goes off course
- DOWN**
- 1 Fragrant wood
  - 2 Rust, essentially
  - 3 Nevada tree
  - 4 "Enough!"
  - 5 Crotchety
  - 6 Edibles
  - 7 Passing craze
  - 8 Explorer Leif
  - 9 Post-election check
  - 12 Grad's reward
  - 16 Prom attendee
  - 21 Be social at a restaurant
  - 22 Isn't colorfast
  - 23 Idolizes
  - 24 Queued up
  - 25 Blockhead
  - 27 Slip-ups
  - 29 Mesa's kin
  - 30 Last letter
  - 31 Swirly prints
  - 32 Lecturer's aid
  - 36 Phoned copy

M	O	R	S	E	L	C	A	F	E
O	R	A	C	L	E	O	V	A	L
O	N	T	I	M	E	R	A	R	A
R	O	S	E	S	S	P	R	A	T
E	T	O	N	R	E	S	I	D	E
C	H	A	N	C	A	D			
O	K	E	Y	D	O	K	E	Y	
K	I	N	P	O	R	E			
E	L	E	V	E	N	T	A	R	S
P	L	A	I	D	S	C	R	E	W
T	I	D	E	K	A	H	U	N	A
A	N	E	A	M	U	L	E	T	
T	E	D	S	T	E	P	E	E	S

### Saturday's answer

- 8 Explorer Leif
- 9 Post-election check
- 12 Grad's reward
- 16 Prom attendee
- 21 Be social at a restaurant
- 22 Isn't colorfast
- 23 Idolizes
- 24 Queued up
- 25 Blockhead
- 27 Slip-ups
- 29 Mesa's kin
- 30 Last letter
- 31 Swirly prints
- 32 Lecturer's aid
- 36 Phoned copy

**NEW CROSSWORD BOOK!** Send \$4.75 (check/m.o.) to Thomas Joseph Book 1, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11									12
13									14
15					16				17
18									19
20									21
22	23	24							25
26									27
28									29
30	31	32							33
34									35
36									37
38									39
40									41

1-17

**Sudoku**

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

6	7	5	9	1	4	2	3	8
2	8	3	7	6	5	4	1	9
1	9	4	8	3	2	7	6	5
8	4	9	6	7	3	5	2	1
7	5	1	4	2	9	6	8	3
3	6	2	5	8	1	9	7	4
5	2	8	1	4	6	3	9	7
4	1	6	3	9	7	8	5	2
9	3	7	2	5	8	1	4	6

9		6			3		8	
			1	4	5	6	2	
		2					4	
						9	4	
1	2					3	6	8
		9	8	1	6	2	5	
2			3			1	7	6
	8			7	2		9	
			9					

Level: Beginner

The Pampa News

# Kid of the Week



Submit your favorite photos of your kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews, etc. to [editor@thepampanews.com](mailto:editor@thepampanews.com). Once a week, we will choose a new photo to feature on our website as "Kid of the Week."

All photos must have been taken within the past 12 months. Children must be 8 years of age or younger at the time the photo was taken. Include your name and phone number and the name and age of the child.



# Sports

## Harvesters need team effort for success in district

ANDREW GLOVER



ANDREW GLOVER

On Tuesday, the Pampa Harvesters basketball team start their nine-game district season. The Harvesters face a competitive battle as all of their district opponents have a winning record. For Pampa to be successful, it's going to take all of them playing good basketball every second.

In the games the Harvesters were successful, they got contributions from everyone in the lineup. In six of the nine victories I witnessed, Pampa at least had one more person in double figures besides senior forward Garrett Ericson

and junior guard Latigo Collins. This is good because it takes pressure off of Collins and Ericson. In the six losses I witnessed or listened to, only two of those games had more than one in double figures. Collins and Ericson will be the leading scorers night in and out, but they need someone to consistently put up numbers. If they can get that, it will be tough for our district rivals to defend us. Most really good basketball

teams have a "Big Three."

If the Harvesters are going to be successful, they have to avoid the bad quarter. In six of their losses, Pampa's worst quarter has come in the first two. They are spending the second half climbing out of a hole instead of building a lead. Momentum will be key in the next nine games, and having to climb out of a hole won't be the best way to win a game. Also, the Harvesters have had some bad quarters in their victories that allowed opponents to get back into the game. This also is not good and could be detrimental in district play.

When the Harvesters smell blood they need to go in for the kill. For Pampa to be

successful they got to play well all 17,280 seconds.

This year's team is driven to be successful and want to reestablish the Hustlin' Harvesters tradition. The Harvesters have tested themselves against tough competition, taking on five 5A schools, a Top 15 4A school, and two top 10 2A schools. For the most part, Pampa competed well in those games.

Hopefully the tough non-district schedule will reap plenty of victories in district play. The story of the Harvesters season is still being written. In the end, we'll see if this season brings back memories of the McNeeley days or the 1996 title team.

## PJH 7th grade girls basketball A team wins consolation

ANDREW GLOVER

Thursday. On Saturday, the Lady Reapers beat Borger 27-24 in overtime and beat Perryton 33-27 to win the consolation bracket.

Baile Johnson was Pampa's leading scorer with 25 total points. Reata Collins scored 12, Erin Rankin scored 11, and Kiyah Toppah scored 10.

Johnson was the leading rebounder with 12. Brittney Gonzalez grabbed nine, Collins grabbed nine and Rankin grabbed nine.

Toppah lead the team in steals with 12. Kathlyn Cummins stole 11, Shann Regalado stole 10 and Gonzalez stole 10. Coach Stefani Devoll said she is very

proud of how well the girls played on Saturday.

"It finally all clicked," Devoll said. "They have been working hard everyday in practice and it has paid off. They continue to improve each and every day."

## Mavericks still searching for answers on recent bad stretch

The Dallas Mavericks gave up an early lead in a tough 117-107 loss to the Orlando Magic at the American Airlines Center last Saturday.

Seven Orlando players had double-figures to lead the team past a Nowitzki-less Mavericks. This was the fifth loss in the last seven games without Dirk.

DeShawn Stevenson was raining threes as he led the Mavericks to a 57-51 lead at halftime. In the second half, it was a different story.

The Magic started the game 2-for-11 from behind the arc and came out in the second half shooting threes and finishing the second half 12-for-21 from behind the arc.

In the fourth quarter, the Mavericks went on a 3-minute, 30-second drought that saw their 88-87 deficit fall deeper to 102-87 with six minutes left.

The Mavericks defense allowed 117 points, 51.9 percent shooting and was only one point away from allowing every Orlando player who played to finish with double digit points.

The Magic finished with its ninth win in a row, the longest current streak in

the NBA.

**Dallas Mavericks vs. Indiana Pacers**  
The Indiana Pacers controlled the second half, and the Dallas Mavericks, in a 100-89 victory in Indianapolis Wednesday night.

Brandon Rush scored a game-high 20 points and rookie Paul George added 16 in the victory. Rush scored 13 of his points in the second half.

Jason Terry had 18 points off the bench, but it wasn't enough to defeat the Pacers.

Indiana left the 52-52 first half score behind and ran away with a 77-69 lead in the third. Darren Collison and Danny Granger each scored 17 points and Collison had three steals in the game. The Pacers also converted 20 of 22 free-throw attempts.

"We couldn't make shots when we needed it, and on the other side, we couldn't get stops when we needed it," said Jason Kidd.

**Mavericks vs. San Antonio Spurs**  
The San Antonio Spurs took advantage of Dirk Nowitzki's continued absence, as they defeated the Mavericks, 101-89 Friday night in San Antonio.

Tony Parker and DeJuan Blair scored 18 points each and Tim Duncan added 16. Blair also added 13 rebounds and four assists.

This is the fourth straight loss for Dallas since Dirk has been out with an injury, while San Antonio has won four straight and eight of the last 10 games.

The Spurs led by 20 in the first half, an advantage led by Parker who was 5-for-6 shooting and had four assists in the first 10 minutes of the game.

The Mavericks fought back to a 13-point deficit before missing eight of 11 shots in the third quarter and were outscored 18-7.

"A lot of things went wrong. We're playing a great team that is playing extremely well, and we just got outplayed," said coach Rick Carlisle.

Dallas played Saturday night at Memphis and entering the game the team was out without Nowitzki in the lineup. Carlisle credits the team's odds help.

The Mavericks will play the Detroit Pistons Monday. Tip-off is set for 7:30 and the game will be broadcast on FSNW.

Wednesday night the Mavericks will be hosting the Los Angeles Lakers. Tip-off is set for 8 p.m. and tickets are still available.

The game will also be broadcast on TXA 21 and ESPN.



**News you can sink your teeth into!**

Call 669-2525 to subscribe!

**The Pampa News**

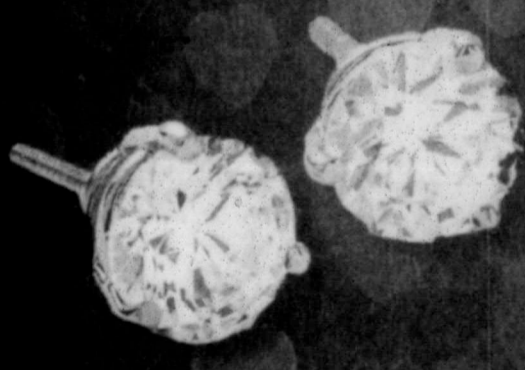
check us out online @ [www.thepampanews.com](http://www.thepampanews.com)

**SIMPLIFY YOUR FINANCES.**

**Duane Harp**  
Financial Advisor  
1921 N Hobart • Pampa, TX 79065  
806-665-6753  
[www.edwardjones.com](http://www.edwardjones.com) Member SIPC



# Valentine's Day is February 14th




## Hint, Hint.

### Rheams Diamond Shop

111 N. Cuyler Pampa, TX | 806-665-2831

"2009 Business of the Year"



**YEP** it's that easy.

Free, secure online banking from National Bank of Commerce.

Member FDIC

**Telephone Banking**  
1-800-831-4409

[www.fnbwaupaca.com](http://www.fnbwaupaca.com)

**National Bank of Commerce**  
An office of First National Bank Waupaca, WI

- Obtain balances on your checking or savings account
- Verify that deposits have been credited to your account
- Find out which checks have been cleared
- Transfer funds between your NBC accounts
- Review your loan balance
- Find out when your last loan payment was posted
- View check images
- Make loan payment
- Use Bill Pay to pay all your bills online

**Pampa** - 1224 N. Hobart  
806-665-0022

**Shamrock** - 305 N. Main  
806-256-2181

**Childress** - 501 Commerce  
806-937-2514



# Sports

## McNeely Era PHS players to be recognized Friday

ANDREW GLOVER  
aglover@thepampanews.com

A group of players that played in the most successful era of Hustlin' Harvester basketball will be reunited Friday.

Players who played from 1947-1961 under the late Clifton McNeely will return to the house they built, to be honored at halftime of the boys basketball game 7:30 p.m. Friday. Under McNeely, the Harvesters won five state titles in 1953, 1954, 1955, 1957 and 1958 winning over 320 games.

Former player Ken Hinkle, who played for the first three title teams and was part of a 72-game winning streak, said it's a big deal to get this group back together.

"The 1953, 1954, 1955, 1957 and 1958 teams are probably the best that ever came out of the Panhandle," Hinkle said. "People don't realize what the history of Pampa basketball really is."

Those teams included an All-America player that was an Olympian on the 1960 team, as well as 15 to 20 players that got Division I scholarships. Some of those players

won All-American awards in college.

Pampa named their gym after McNeely 10 years ago. McNeely's wife and sons will be at the recognition.

One of McNeely's sons, Phil, won three SA state titles with Duncanville High School. After he retired, Duncanville named their court after him. Former Harvester coaches Robert Hale,

who coached Pampa to the 1996 state title, and Garland Nichols, who led Pampa to the 1982 semifinals, will also be coming.

Hinkle said being recognized during the Borger game is icing on the cake and added that the rivalry was intense back then.

"Every game we played Borger here or there it was one-point or it would go into overtime," Hinkle said. "It was a big rivalry."

### BANANAGRAMS!

Each of the two-letter groups below may be extended both on the right and the left to form a six-letter word. Use the tiles directly above each group to fill in the blanks.

LEVEL

A G H I R T  
  O W

B D E O T Y  
  U N

E E H N P S  
  A R

M N O P R T  
  I T

Yesterday's Answer: Common F.  
 FLATBED, BEFALLS, CONFIRM, FOREARM



## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I was married at 17 and ran away at 37 when I finally admitted to myself that my husband did not love me. After that, I went through a deep depression that took years to recover from. I have been divorced for 13 years and am happy being unencumbered. I choose to live alone.

I enjoy companionship and am seeing not one, but two, men. They both want a commitment, and I do not. One knows about the other; the other doesn't. They know I have had relationships in the past.

I have already had family, kids and grandkids. I see no reason to marry again or have a serious commitment to anyone. What is your advice?

— CONTENT IN IOWA  
 DEAR CONTENT: My advice is to let the gentleman who doesn't know you are seeing someone else in on the secret. Other than that, because you are happy with the status quo, I have no other advice to offer.

DEAR ABBY: Before my mother died a year ago, she told me a secret. She said my middle-aged brother "Donnie" was conceived with a sperm donation rather than my father (also deceased), whose sperm count was low. My brother doesn't know this, and Mom didn't tell him before she died.

Donnie has had numerous emotional problems and has unresolved issues with our parents. Do you think it's important that he know of his "origin," or is this a secret I should take with me to the grave? I don't want to hurt him with this information, only to help him resolve some of his negative feelings toward our parents. I hate keeping family secrets, but I will remain silent if telling him would do more harm than good. — HALF-SISTER IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR HALF-SISTER: Your half-brother should be told the truth. It may be difficult for him to hear, but on the other hand, it could explain some of the unspoken family dynamics that may have led to his unresolved issues with your parents. It might also help him understand why he felt "different," or may have felt he was treated differently than you were.

DEAR ABBY: I have a grandchild whose parents are strict, which I don't mind, but when Mom loses her cool, she starts name-calling. She'll say things like, "You're a brat!" etc. in front of whomever, wherever we happen to be. It goes against my grain to call anyone names.

Should I talk to the parents about this or stay out of their business? I

don't interfere with the way any of my children raise their kids, but I'm very concerned over this. What do I do or say? Should I speak up, or hold my peace? I hurt for the grandkids when this happens. It isn't good for their self-esteem. — UNSURE IN RED WING, MINN.

DEAR UNSURE: I know very few perfect parents, but if your family member does this on a regular basis, you should say something. The problem with labeling a child is that if an adult does it often enough, the child can grow up thinking the label is accurate. A better way to handle the situation would be for Mom to say firmly: "Stop that! When you do that it makes me angry, and if it happens again, you'll: (1) get a time out; (2) we're going outside until you can behave; or (3) I won't bring you here again!"

DEAR READERS: Today we remember the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., who in 1968 was martyred in the cause of civil rights. He was an eloquent man who preached that "love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend." His was a voice of reason in a time of insanity, silenced too soon. — ABBY

Who has the cutest pet in Gray County?  
 Find out in *The Pampa News*'

# "Cutest Pet Contest"

You and your pet could win:

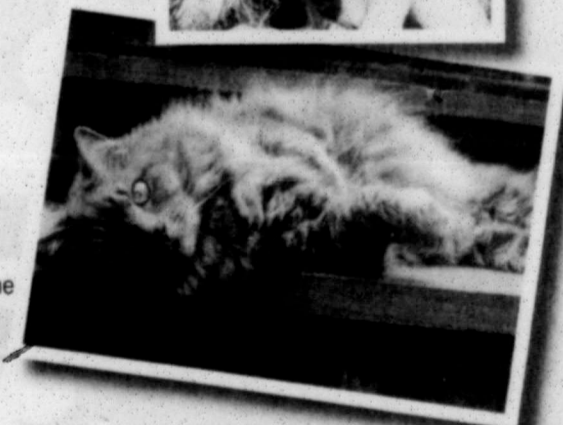
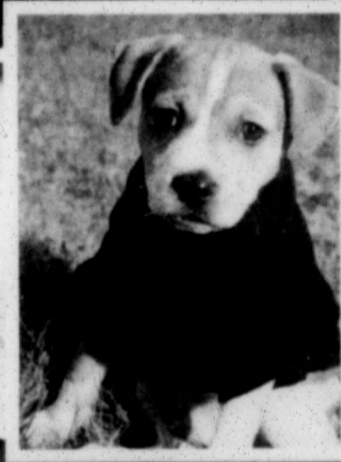
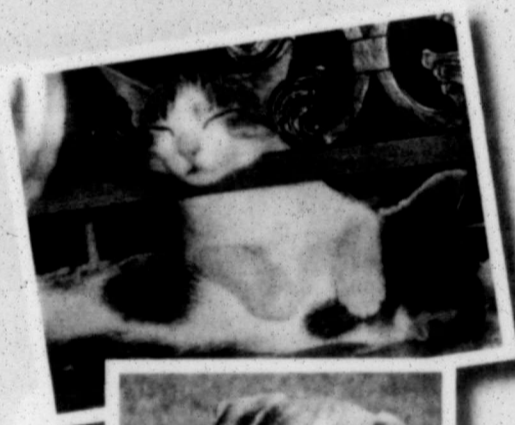
🐾 First Place  
 \$100 cash

🐾 Second Place  
 \$50 cash

🐾 Third Place  
 \$25 cash

### Contest Rules

1. All entries must be received by 4 p.m. Friday, January 21.
2. Attach your pet's photo to the contest entry form and write your pet's full name on the back of the photograph as well. Include a \$10 entry fee.
3. Photos will not be returned unless you include a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your entry.
4. By submitting a photo to this contest, you are granting *The Pampa News* permission to publish this photo in any future issue of the newspaper. Also, some or all of the entries may be featured in our "Pet of the Week" series in our online edition.
5. Employees of this newspaper, their immediate families, and contest sponsors are not eligible to win. The readers of *The Pampa News* will judge the contest based upon a ballot to be printed in the January 28 issue.



Send your entry form, \$10 entry fee and pet photo to *The Pampa News*, PO Box 2198, Pampa, TX 79065 or bring it by *The Pampa News Office* 403 W. Atchison Monday-Friday 8 am to 4 pm.



### ENTRY FORM

Owner's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Pet's name \_\_\_\_\_



# Chamber

## Chamber's plans and goals need your assistance

Except for the time when I lived in a community without one, I have been going to a gym regularly for the past fifteen years or so. I go about 6 a.m. (some idiots are done by that time!) and there are usually the same 6-10 people around. It's not hard to get the machine, weights, or shower you want. That usually changes for a few weeks after the first of the year. I'll show up and someone I've never seen will be on MY cross-trainer and have THEIR stuff parked on MY dressing room bench. The nerve!

However, experience has taught me to be patient—use another machine for a while, put my stuff on another bench—and by mid-February, all will be right again.

I'm not making fun of those people who have such good intentions at the first of the year, only to see them fade away. I applaud their efforts to make themselves better. It's tough to start a new routine—and exercise is one of the toughest—and to stick with it long enough to make it a habit.

Personally, I've never been very successful at resolutions, but I have a few plans and goals for the Chamber that I would like to share—and enlist your

### Chamber Music



**JOE WEAVER**

help to bring about. Some of these will take time. Some will take money. All will take commitment.

**"Industrial Relations Interest Group"** The Pampa area is obviously into industry in a big way. I

have enjoyed visiting plants and business offices and getting to know managers, owners, foremen, machinists and others who work in production, maintenance, and manufacturing. The Chamber will be proactive in working with these businesses. I have already enlisted the help of several who are interested in seeing this group develop.

**"Food Service Interest Group"** We have a Retail Committee, but restaurants

and catering businesses have different needs and often a different clientele. Pampa has a greater variety of dining than any town its size in the Panhandle. We are going to promote that.

**"Young Professionals Task Force"** If an organization does not constantly recruit young members it becomes stale and dry. I have only to look at my cell phone to realize how I am drifting farther and farther behind. We have some very bright and energetic young folks here and we need to tap that resource to keep the Chamber vibrant and vital.

Right off the bat, we are going to be working with one of our partners to produce a new street map. Since the last one was published in 2008 we have a new junior high, an aquatic center, and a housing development. Data Flow of Amarillo will be producing the map. They are a member of the Pampa Chamber and have produced our official maps in the past.

When someone from Data Flow calls, you can purchase an ad with confidence that it will go on a quality map—the one that goes in every newcomers and visitors packet and the one we hand out at the desk. The map is also a fundraiser for the Chamber, as the company pays us

a royalty on the ads purchased.

A little later in the year, we will be endorsing a different kind of map—one that is sort of whimsical, while highlighting the businesses of Pampa. We'll tell you more about it as the time approaches.

We are currently working a little short-handed and will continue to for a while. This may mean that the phone doesn't get answered promptly, and may forward the call to my cell phone or voice mail. I know voice mail can be frustrating, but be assured our purpose is to serve you better—we don't want to miss your call.

I hope you have made reservations to attend the luncheon this week. I will be giving sort of a "State of the Chamber" address called "PPC - 1, 2, 3: Pampa Chamber of Commerce in the 1st Year of the 2nd Decade of the 3rd Millennium". I will be addressing these issues and others, and try to answer any questions.

We are committed to serving our members, seeking new ones, and being fiscally responsible. 2011 is our 86th year. Let's make it the best one yet!

Welcome to our new Chamber members. The Bridge and Cooder's Dixie Cafe!

## the chamber around town



staff photo by David Bowser

**Goldcoats at Wilson Elementary's Happy State Bank (HSB) branch ribbon cutting included:** (from left) Ray Jaramillo, Lyndon Field, Ryan Monroe (HSB), Larry Baker, Kay West (HSB), Kerrick Horton, Melissa True, Wilson principal, Bob Marx, Erica Guzman (HSB), Jolita Sells (HSB), Roy Morriss and Joe Weaver, Chamber of Commerce executive director.

### Richard Smith & Julie Adams



**In Concert**

Richard Smith, national fingerstyle guitar champion, and Julie Adams, virtuoso cellist, will perform at the Chamber of Commerce on Saturday, Feb 5, at 7 p.m. Swing, pop, fiddle tunes, blues, and more!



**Clarendon COLLEGE**  
Unleash your potential!

1601 W. Kentucky Ave  
806-665-8801

## NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE

AN OFFICE OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK, WAUPACA, WI  
Member FDIC

### PAMPA TEXAS BRANCH

1224 N. Hobart  
806-665-0022

### SHAMROCK TEXAS BRANCH

305 N. Main  
806-256-2181

### CHILDRESS TEXAS BRANCH

501 Commerce Street  
940-937-2514

**Culberson - Stowers, Inc.**

805 N. HOBART • PAMPA, TX 79065 • 806.665.1665







# Dare To Dream

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
1929-1968

His words sparked the conscience of a new generation.  
He devoted his life to improving human rights that we enjoy today.  
In 1964, he was the youngest person to receive the Nobel Peace Prize.  
He is considered one of the greatest orators in United States History.

But even more importantly...



*Martin Luther King Jr.*

One of  
America's  
greatest  
Legacies.



*His dream  
came true.*

**NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE**  
An Office Of First National Bank Waupaca, Wisconsin  
**PAMPA • 1224 N. HOBART • 665-0022**  
SHAMROCK • 305 N. MAIN • 256-2181  
CHILDRESS • 501 COMMERCE • 940-937-2514 Member FDIC

**LEFORS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION**  
**835-2773**  
117 W. 2ND STREET • LEFORS TEXAS

**PARSLEYS**  
SHEET METAL AND ROOFING

214 E. TYNG AVENUE  
800-442-4668  
806-669-6461

**Robertas**  
FLOWERS  
217 N. Ballard • 669-3309  
*Where Your Friends Buy Their Flowers*

**CULBERSON STOWERS, INC.**  
805 N. Hobart • 806-665-1665  
rstowers@culbersonautos.com

**BUICK** Bank Beyond Precision **AN AMERICAN REVOLUTION** An American Revolution **GMC** The Art Professional Grade

**Century 21** **PAMPA REALTY INC**  
312 N. GRAY  
669-0007  
More POWER To You

**FIRST STATE BANK OF MIAMI**  
Main Bank • 100 S. Main • Miami Tx • 806-868-2771  
Pampa Branch • 120 W. Kingsmill • Pampa Tx • 806-665-3669  
Member FDIC

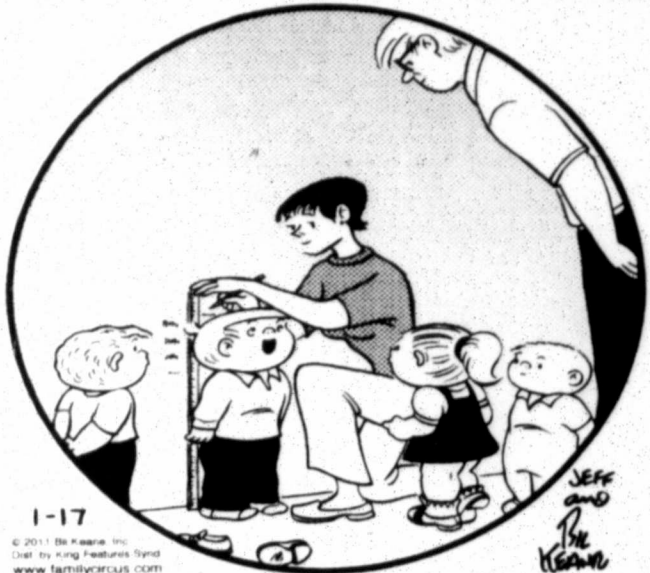
**WARREN CHISUM**  
STATE REPRESENTATIVE

The  
**PAMPA NEWS**



# comics PAGE

## THE FAMILY CIRCUS By Bil Keane



1-17

© 2011 Bil Keane, Inc. All rights reserved. www.familycircus.com

"Watch out, Daddy! I'm gainin' on you!"

### Non Sequitur



© 2011 Will Vinton, Inc. All rights reserved. www.willvinton.com

### Nest Heads



## daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2011:**  
 This year you open up to many new concepts. How this process begins will be your call. If you honor your inner voice, your life will flow. If single, meeting people is easy. Developing a relationship is another issue. Look to summer 2011 for an exciting romantic opportunity. If attached, walk away from fighting. Learn to respect your differences. Drop controlling behavior. **CANCER** has the same issues as you. Their approach is different.  
*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)**  
 \*\*\* Pressure starts feeling like the norm. A boss makes demands that really cannot be met at this point. Brainstorm away, and you'll find solutions that could appeal to both parties. Do not stay longer at work than need be. Tonight: Home is where the heart is.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Keep stretching past an original plan or concept. You might need more feedback in order to get past a self-imposed restriction. You are in the process of liberating your thinking, which could impact many different areas. Tonight: Dodge a problem person.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
 \*\*\* Do you feel pressured? Is it of your own design or a realistic problem? Be careful in your dealings with others. Someone might be far more manipulative than you realize. Keep your eyes wide open! Tonight: If hitting a wall, back off or jump over; stop walking into it.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Your best efforts could get thwarted. You have hit a major road block, be it a person, several people or a structure in the system. When this type of event occurs, back off. Use this blockage to take a break or to change plans. Tonight: Play it low-key.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
 \*\*\* Assuming a low-key role with others remains the smart action. Use extra time well, doing research or going off to do what you want. Pressure builds around people and crowds. Imagine having time just for you. Tonight: Secretive work.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* One person makes a demand that puts you in a position of disappointing

others. You might be juggling far more than any one person can handle. Understanding will evolve, and solutions appear if you do not act but detach. Trust your mind. Tonight: Know when to call it a night.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
 \*\*\* You handle the lion's share of responsibility at home and at work. You might feel most uncomfortable with what is on your plate. Do not react, but consider letting go of one responsibility or consolidating, if possible. Tonight: Choose a stress buster.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Just as you seem to be on cruise control, a boomerang lands in your path. You make an adjustment, internalizing and acting on the implications of the boomerang. Once more on cruise control, another boomerang lands on your path, and once more ... Such is your day. Tonight: Hang out on the computer!

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Restructure your finances so they work for you, not someone else. If you look at a money situation openly and without bias, you might understand where someone is coming from, whether or not you choose that path. Focus on the long term. Do not sell yourself out. Tonight: Accept an offer.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
 \*\*\* If you see a lot of flak around you, hold up the mirror. Is it possible that you are being demanding, controlling and/or caustic? Yes, you. If involved in a power play, the only way to win is not to play. Let others play out their stuff without you. Tonight: What you want.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**  
 \*\*\* It might be easier to revamp your thinking than demanding that others change, which is unlikely to happen. Maintain your schedule, even if working through an issue. Relax by doing errands, working and distracting yourself. Tonight: Go for a walk, or find another stressbuster.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**  
 \*\*\*\*\* Your creative drive points to a special path, one which others might balk at and back off from. You understand the implications but decide the risk is probably worth it. Do not allow others' manipulations to impact you. Tonight: Go where spontaneity dominates.

**BORN TODAY**  
 Songwriter and musician Jonathan Davis (1971), actor Kevin Costner (1955), actor Cary Grant (1904)

### Tundra



### Shoe



### Mother Goose and Grim



### Zits



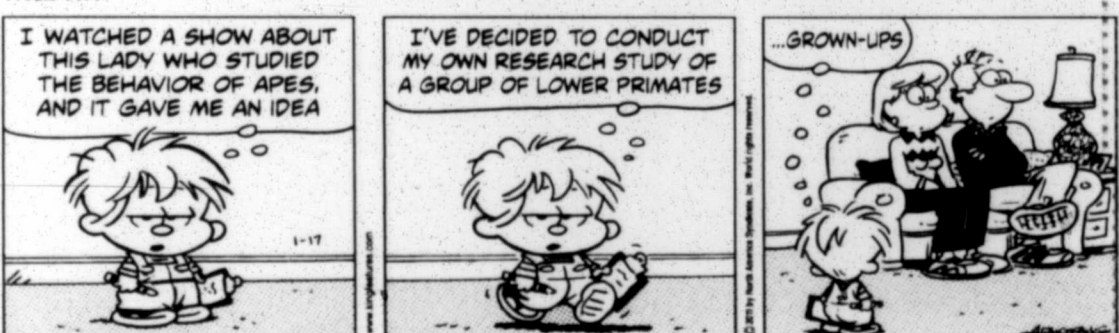
### Garfield



### Beetle Bailey



### Marvin



### Hagar The Horrible



### Peanuts



### Blondie







The Pampa News'

# Classifieds

Sell it fast! Classifieds work! The Pampa News is delivered to over 4,000 homes daily. What better way to get the word out? To place an ad, contact Beverly Taylor at 806-669-2525 or via email at [classified@thepampanews.com](mailto:classified@thepampanews.com) today!

Winter Classified Ad Special

4 Lines, 4 Days  
**\$18.50**  
8 Lines, 4 Days  
**\$21.50**

Valid Through February 2011



Call 669-2525 today to get THE PAMPA NEWS with all the local news you need delivered right to your doorstep

## DO YOU HAVE GREAT OFFICE SKILLS?

Local church seeking a friendly, full time Office Administrator with good public relation skills. Bookkeeping, computer and organizational skills a must! Competitive salary w/ paid vacation and benefits available.

Send Resume and References to:

First Presbyterian Church  
525 N. Gray  
Pampa, TX 79065  
Attn: Personnel  
or email to:  
[fpctx@clearwire.net](mailto:fpctx@clearwire.net)

### 5 Special Notices

**ADVERTISING:** Material to be placed in the Pampa News, MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

### 10 Lost/Found

LOST in wh. & tan Terrier, "Buddy," no tags, very smart. Connie 664-1030, Maria 537-5447.

### 14d Carpentry

OVERHEAD DOOR REPAIR. Kidwell Construction. Call: 669-6347, 806-663-0192.

### 14e Carpet Serv.

NU-WAY CLEANING SERVICE. Bob Marx Owner-Operator. Call 665-3541.

### 14g Elec. Contr.

RUSSELLCROW Electric for your electric needs! Comm., Res. 665-0878, 440-1171.

**Subscribe Today!**  
806-669-2525

### 14h Gen. Serv.

HOUSE Cracking? In bricks or walls? Childers Brothers, Inc. 800-299-9563, 806-352-9563.

COX Fence Company. Repair old fence or build new. Free estimates. Call 669-7769.

CERAMIC tile work. Remodeling... floor, shower, kitchen. Texture, painting, dry wall. Free est. Call 665-3453. Leave message, Jesus Barraza.

### 14s Plumbing

JACK'S Plumbing. 715 W. Foster. 665-7115.

HICKERSON Plumbing, Sewer & drain cleaning, replacement Gas & water lines. Call 662-8260.

### 14w Air Cond/Heat

BROWNING Heating & Air Cond. 665-1212. Free est. on new equip. We service all brands!

### 21 Help Wanted

MAINTENANCE Man needed. Must have current dr. lic., own tools & pass drug test. Apply at: Greenwood Plaza Apts, 800 N. Nelson.

NEED mature, exp. office help. Must live on property. Apply at 1447 Coffee St. 1-806-334-1626.

NOW hiring Manual Labor for Frac Water Transfer. MUST HAVE VALID DRIVERS LICENSE-CDL PREFERRED. Must be able to pass drug test. Call BRO in Canadian, 806-323-9855.

NOW hiring Restorative Aides at St. Ann's Nursing Home in Pampa. 537-3194.

### 21 Help Wanted

TEXAS Rose Steak house is now hiring Servers. Apply in person. No phone calls.

FIRST Baptist Church, Skellytown seeks a Part-Time Music Minister to lead blended worship services. Sun morning and evenings. Send resume to: [pmchaney@amaonline.com](mailto:pmchaney@amaonline.com) or mail to P.O. Box 176, Skellytown, TX, contact Peggy Chaney, 806-679-5639.

WHITE Deer ISD is seeking applications for a person in the Transportation Maintenance Dept. Requirements: \*Must have High School diploma or equivalent. \*Must have or be able to obtain CDL Driver License. \*CDL License Holders are required to pass a random drug test. \*Must be able to work well with others. \*Job Description: \*Perform daily and scheduled maintenance on all district vehicles. \*Perform minor repairs on all district vehicles. \*Coordinate drivers with vehicles. \*Complete various reports, and transportation requests. \*Computer skills are preferred but not required. \*Perform other maintenance procedures throughout district, if needed. Please send applications (resumes to: Karl Vaughn, White Deer ISD Administration Office, 601 Omohundro P.O. Box 517, White Deer, TX 79097.

NOTICE: Readers are urged to fully investigate advertisements which require payment in advance for information, services or goods.

WHITE Deer ISD is accepting appls. for a Special Education Teacher's Aide position at the high school. Please contact the Administrative Office or call 883-2311 Ext. 100 for appl.

NOW hiring CNA's full-time, variable shifts & PRN at St. Ann's Nursing Home, in Pampa. 537-3194.

WANTED: Loving, Caring and Dedicated Care Giver to work part-time in a Church Nursery on Wed. nights and special occasions. Hourly wage will be determined by exp. and certifications held by applicant.

Applications are avail. at church office of First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) 1633 N. Nelson Pampa, TX 79065 Mon.-Thurs 9am-noon & 1-3p-5pm and Fri 9am-noon

FULL TIME Automotive Shop Help. Counter Help. Apply in person. 101 S. Hobart, Pampa, TX.

Now Accepting Applications for Delivery & Sales Apply in person 1304 N. Banks Pampa, TX

### 21 Help Wanted

GROWING Insurance Agency has part-time position avail. Will lead to full-time. No exp. necessary, will train. Must have outgoing personality, care about people & be organized w/ some computer skills. Bi-lingual a +. Send resumes to Box 97, w/o Pampa News, P.O. Box 2198, Pampa.

69 Misc.

ADVERTISING Material to be placed in the Pampa News MUST be placed through the Pampa News Office Only.

FIREWOOD For Sale \$160 a rick delivered. Call 664-1900 or 664-1901.

WASHER, dryer, freezer, sofa, tables-all sizes. 662-7557.

NEW Quality queen mattress-set \$246. Used furniture. Red Barn, 1420 S. Barnes. 665-2767. Open each Sat.

SEAS-Oak Firewood delivered & stacked. Oak trailer flooring delivered. 580-565-0357.

### 80 Pets & Suppl.

FREE Female B.R. 6-7 mos old. Very playful. Needs room to run. 662-0652 after 4.

FREE to good home, very sweet lap dog. Has had all shots and been spayed. 806-898-2321.

89 Wanted To Buy

NEED Money Now. We will give you top \$5 for your house. Call us today. 665-1875.

95 Furn. Apts.

Hampton Villages - Pampa. Now Open & Leasing 2, 3 or 4 Bdrms. (806) 440-0054. 100 Hampton Ln. (Alcock St.)

Fetch Your copy of The Pampa News Today! Subscribe to have it delivered right to your door!

806-669-2525

### 95 Furn. Apts.

1 bdrm. avail. starting \$435. mo. \$100 off 1st mo. rent w/ 3 mo. lease. Coop. units, utilities, linens, basic cable. Caprock Apts. 665-7149.

### 96 Unfurn. Apts.

\$100 off 1st Mo. Rent 1 bdr starting \$395. mo. On-site laundry. Caprock Apts. 665-7149.

### 98 Unfurn. Houses

1 and 2 bdr. avail. now at the Greenwood Apts. Call today they won't last long! 665-1875.

### 99 Stor. Bldgs.

TUMBLEWEED Acres, self storage units. Various sizes. 665-0079, 665-2450.

### 102 Bus. Rental

DOWNTOWN office space for rent. Utilities & cleaning service provided. Ample parking. 669-6823.

### 103 Homes For Sale

332 Sunset, lrg 2 bdr, 1 ba., carport. As low as \$900-down. Owner Fin. WAC. 405-850-8960.

### 112 Farms/Ranches

100 Ac. Silver Spring Ranch, Wheeler. 5300 sq. ft., 3 bdr., 6 ba., home, fpl., 4 porches, 3 ponds, 13,000 sq. ft. horse barn, caretaker quarters. Broker 806-679-1852. [www.davisvernon.com](http://www.davisvernon.com)

### 115 Trailer Parks

TUMBLEWEED Acres, Storm Shelters, fenced, stor. bldg. avail. 665-0079, 665-2450.

### 121 Trucks

1997 Chevy short bed, 2 wh. dr. pickup. Rebuilt motor under 6000 mi., new tires, rims, paint. \$12,500. cbo. 665-2119 or 662-8259.

## Pampa Realty Inc. 669-0007 Pampa MLS & Amarillo MLS

Jim Davidson (BKR/OWNR)	662-9021
Rebecca Akins	395-1978
Katrina Bigham	898-8510
Donna Courter	595-0779
Twila Fisher (BKR)	440-2314
John Goddard (BKR)	595-1234
Linda Lapacka	662-9611
Zeb Sailors	664-0312
Sandra Schuneman (BKR)	662-7291
Andrea Walling	664-6227

AUSTIN SCHOOL DISTRICT		North and Northeast
2700 Duncan	\$300,000	4/2.50/2 3830 SF/GCAD
2100 Charles	\$199,900	2/3.5/2 - 3445 SF/GCAD
2421 Duncan	\$184,900	5/2.75/2 - 2895 SF/GCAD
2600 Dogwood	\$177,500	3/2/2 - 2258 SF/GCAD
613 Pheasant Ln	\$172,500	5/3/2 - 2504 SF/GCAD
2600 Evergreen	\$159,900	4/2/2 - 2216 SF/GCAD
12012 White Acres	\$152,600	3/2/2 - 2098 SF/GCAD 1.4 acres
1901 Fir	\$146,500	3/2/2 - 2102 SF/GCAD
2528 Charles	\$138,500	3/1.75/2 - 2132 SF/GCAD
1206 Mary Ellen	\$136,350	5/3.5/2 - 3381 SF/GCAD
2720 Seminole	\$133,500	3/2/2 - 1416 SF/GCAD
2405 Navajo	\$89,900	3/1.75/2 - 1472 SF/GCAD
2239 Duncan	\$85,900	4/1.75/1 - 1780 SF/GCAD
2132 Hamilton	\$79,000	4/1.75/1 - 1536 SF/GCAD
1445 Russell	\$62,000	3/1.75/2 - 1504 SF/GCAD
2716 E 15th	\$59,900	4/1/1 - 1196 SF/GCAD
1008 Somerville	\$55,000	5/2/0 2758 SF/GCAD
700 Somerville	\$42,500	3/1.75/0 - 1650 SF/GCAD
1316 Duncan	\$35,000	3/1/0 1006 SF/GCAD
Chaumont	\$35,000	lots 1 & 2 Block 2
1911 Coffee	\$27,500	2/1/0 - 780 SF/GCAD

LAMAR SCHOOL DISTRICT		Southwest
945 S Faulkner	\$35,000	2/1/0 - 746 SF/GCAD
1133 S Banks	\$35,000/2/2	1008 SF/GCAD Mobile Home

Bdms Bath, Garage - Sqt/ County Appraisal District

Visit our web page at: [www.pamparealty.com](http://www.pamparealty.com)

## 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.

### 1-17 CRYPTOQUOTE

ACICQHDHVK FED WBVQCJ  
AFAE WCVWIC LHII IVVP EA  
EKXAFHKT BEAFCB AFEK  
CESF VAFCB - EKK IEKJCB

Saturday's Cryptoquote: THE BITTEREST TEARS SHED OVER GRAVES ARE FOR WORDS LEFT UNSAID AND DEEDS LEFT UNDONE. — HARRIET BEECHER STOWE

## Think Success!

Boost business by advertising with The Pampa News! Not only can we provide Graphics Design services, but we are a daily newspaper that is delivered to over 4,000 homes. What better way to get the word out? Call today!



For information about our rates or services, call:  
Redonn Woods — 662-5837 Ad Sales Manager  
Sue Pribble — 662-8595 Sales Associate  
Beverly Taylor — 669-2525 Classified Ads

**READ IT online**

Access a complete issue of The Pampa News every day, Monday through Saturday, on your computer!

Keep up with your hometown news anywhere you can access the internet - at home, on vacation, away at college.

Call Kera at 669-2525 for subscription details.



# King

cont. from page 1

for the Texas Union, knew she didn't have much time to prepare the unused fourth-floor bedroom, which had been built during a renovation for university consultants or other official guests who wanted to stay close by.

She had a telephone installed and searched the walls of the Union to find paintings to grace the bedroom on the north end of the fourth floor.

"I think I brought some flowers," she said.

King flew to Austin on Friday, March 9, the day of the speech. Perry and several UT students who served on a Texas Union committee met his plane. They drove back to campus in Perry's green Chevrolet, pointing out places of interest to King, who traveled alone.

A capacity crowd of 1,200 went to the Texas Union Ballroom that night to hear King, who had catapulted to national fame through the 1955-56 bus boycott in Montgomery, Ala., that ended with a U.S. Supreme Court decision that opened all bus seats to blacks.

King's speech was titled, "Civil Liberties and Social Action." He spoke with the eloquence and fire of a preacher, urging nonviolent protests to remove color barriers.

"Old Man Segregation is on his deathbed. The only question is how expensive the South is going to make the funeral," he chanted, according to The Daily Texan campus newspaper.

He talked about dinners with President John F. Kennedy and a conversation with Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson of Texas about civil rights. He called for an executive order declaring all segregated facilities unconstitutional.

"Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. delivered a sermon to the audience, and the audience delivered him a standing ovation," the Texan said.

"I was there! I just wish I'd had a camera to photograph him," said Bertha Means, 90, a long time civil rights activist in Austin. At the time, she was a teacher at then-Kealing Junior High School, which was designated for black students.

"It was a full house," Means remembers. "Most of them were students. There were very few blacks."

In 1962, about 200 of UT's approximately 20,000 students were black, documents show.

The student crowd was "just fabulous, applause all over the place," Means said. "It was really a great speech. He was talking about the black-and-white issue of ending segregation."

UT students, both black and white, had been holding nonviolent protests for several years in efforts to desegregate lunch counters in stores on Congress Avenue and movie theaters on the Drag. On campus at that time, dormitories, athletics and the Longhorn band were still segregated. A federal lawsuit aimed at integrating dorms was pending.

Means, who left her husband home with their five children so she could hear King's speech, was one of Austin's earliest picketers for racial equality.

Her children were instrumental in integrating Barton Springs Pool and UT athletics. Her daughter, Joan, was banned from Austin High School's senior class Zilker Park picnic in 1960 because Barton Springs was segregated. The teen spoke to the City Council and helped start a petition drive. She was allowed to attend the picnic, and Barton Springs was integrated the next year.

James Means Jr. entered UT in 1964 and was the first black athlete to earn a varsity letter, receiving the honor three years in a row for running track.

It was a long night at the union during King's speech. King had met with the media before the speech, and after the post-speech reception, he met privately with several dozen African-American students, some faculty members and Austin residents who wanted to discuss nonviolent protest tactics.

"You decide how long you

want to do this," Perry told King before leaving him alone with the visitors.

She waited in the corridor while the meeting went late into the night.

That meeting set the groundwork for a declaration six months later from a group of black students who called themselves Negroes for Equal Rights. In October 1962, the group released a statement:

"While some progress has

been made, we are not satisfied with existing conditions here at the university.

"Acting now with the approval and guidance of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, we will utilize any peaceful means to obtain total integration in the following areas," including housing, sports, faculty, jobs, band and drama.

When King's closed-door discussion with students in the Texas Union ended, it was

time to call it a night. Perry showed King his quarters.

She showed him which staircase and exit to use if he wanted to go outside for a walk or to explore campus. However, she did not give him a key to the building. She instructed him to call the UT police if he went out because an officer would have to let him back inside.

The guest room in the Union did not come with

room service or breakfast in bed. However, King was welcome to grab a bite from the first-floor morning food service, Perry said.

She picked him up the next morning and drove him to the airport to catch his flight.

"It was very exciting to have him, and he couldn't have been more gracious," she said. "He was very willing to kind of go with the flow."

The bedroom where MLK

slept in the Texas Union has been reconfigured and is now used as an office for student groups.

The only memento of his stay is a framed exhibit of photos from that 1962 night and a three-paragraph summary of the evening. It is displayed in the Union's African American Culture Room.

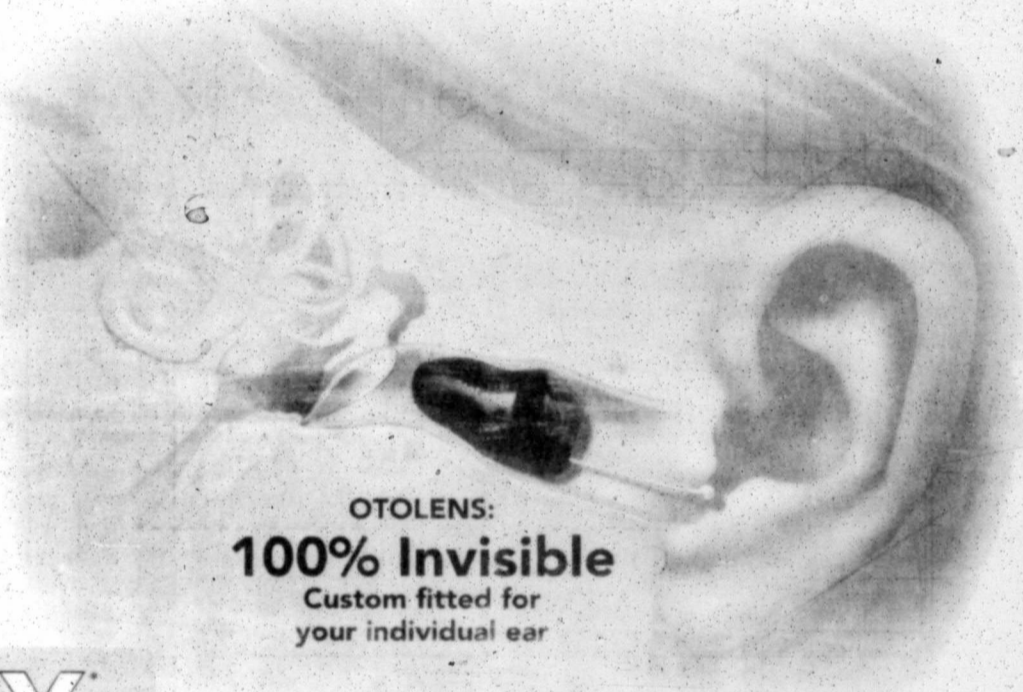
King's last-minute sleepover never made the history books, but his dream did.

# INTRODUCING WORLD'S FIRST INVISIBLE-IN-THE-CANAL

S Series™, the world's top-selling hearing aid, introduces a completely invisible option.

## 100% INVISIBLE

The only 100% custom, invisible, digital and fully programmable hearing aid. Think hearing aids should be heard, not seen? Then the new S-Series OtoLens by Starkey is for you. OtoLens is the first custom fit invisible-in-the-canal hearing aid, featuring the latest, most advanced technology on the market today — meaning it's completely invisible, and totally designed to fit your lifestyle.



OTOLENS:  
100% Invisible  
Custom fitted for  
your individual ear

Take the **10 DAY** challenge - you'll be glad you did!"

\* Fully Refundable Security Deposit Required

- Medicaid Accepted
- Financing Available

## ANY SIZE — ANY STYLE



- 100% Digital • Multi Channel
- Clear, accurate sound quality

**Livingston**  
Audiology & Hearing Aid Center

Pampa • 701 North Hobart  
1-888-820-6601

www.lhac.com

4858