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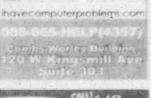
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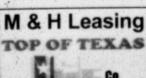
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Smokin' Joe's grand opening on Saturday

DAVID BOWSER dbowser@thepampanews.com

It was water that brought Joe Dooley to Pampa. It was good Texas beef that

kept him here Dooley, 49, came to Pampa from his native Montana to work for OML which. operates the water plant for the city where he became project manager, but his first love is cooking.

That led to developing J. Dogg's Mear Sauce, displaying his culinary talents at Weldon Black's OCB (Other Corner Bar) on Alcock and finally to Smokin' Joe's Grill on East Frederic, which is having its grand opening on Saturday.

Dooley credits Black with getting him started in the restaurant business.

It all began, Dooley said, when another friend told him that he should create a burger called the 'Double Dogg Dare'

"I just went from there and created a burger. Dooley said, "but it was missing something, so I created the sauce." He said now they go through a bunch

Dooley and Crystal Brown joined together to open the new restaurant just before Thanksgiving, although their official opening is this week.

We've celebrated the whole week Dooley said.

"It's all around family-style restaurant," Brown said. "We have a variety JOE'S cont. on page 8



staff photo by David Bowser

Managers Crystal Brown and Joe Dooley pase that appeals to everyone. It's fresh home in the dining room of Smokin' Joe's Grill, Pampa's newest restaurant.

LEARNED LADY



Pampa High School Principal Tanya Larkin visits with Dr. Raymond Laycock during the Kiwanis luncheon today. Larkin was speaking to the Kiwanis about a new school

Fort Worth 'gunman' not found

ASSOCIATED PRESS

FORT WORTH (AP) - Police had surrounded a Texas clinic after receiving reports of a man with a gun walking around inside the complex, but the lockdown has been lifted after authorities found no gunman.

Dozens of police officers and fire department trucks responded to the clinic in Fort Worth on Friday after witnesses reported seeing a gunman. A SWAT team and hostage negotiators were dispatched as a precaution because

clinic workers were inside Police Lt. Paul Henderson says no injuries have been reported and doctors, nurses and other employees were locked in their offices until the alert was lifted. There were no reports of a shoot-

Several roads around the climic had been blocked off.

Shortly before noon, police entered the clinic and found no

Police were interviewing poten tial witnesses

Rodriguez enjoys duties as Lamar parent liaison



staff photo by David Bowser

Tammy Rodriguez has been Lamar's parent liaison for the last five years, but she has served as a volunteer with the post's duties for much longer.



ARNIE AURELLANO editor@thepampanews.com

Tammy Rodriguez has always been one for arts and crafts, even during her high school days in Lefors.

Still, if you'd have told her then that she'd be using her creative tal-? ents to give back to Gray County's, kids, she probably wouldn't have believed you.

"I don't know if I ever thought about working with the schools," Rodriguez said. "It didn't really cross my mind."

Not that she minds now, of course just the opposite, in fact. The parent liaison for Lamar Elementary for the last five years, Rodriguez say that she gets to do what she loves every day at work.

"I always tell people d have a fun job. I'm with the kids all the time I get to put all kinds of activities together for them. You don't go a day without getting at least 10 hugs. How can it not be fun?"

Rodriguez is a veritable jill of all trades at Lamar, doing everything from changing the school marques to preparing the school newsletter to sending information out to local media outlets. The bulk of our job. though, involves organizing family events for the school and maintaining interaction between Lamar and the parents of its students.

She's a social director, PR chair cheerleader and interior decorator all at once, and according to Sabrina East, Parental Involvement RODRIGUEZ cont. on page 8

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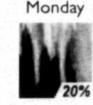


PAMPA FORECAST

Saturday







Low 14

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Low 26

Tonight: Clear, with a low around 28. Southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 69. Wind chill values between 20 and 30 early. West southwest wind 10 to 15 mph becoming south southeast. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 25. Wind chill values between 16 and 21 Southeast wind 5 to 15 mph becoming north. Winds could gust as high as 20

Sunday: Partly sunny, with a high near 45. North wind 5 to 15 mph becoming southeast. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.

Sunday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 26. Southeast wind around 10 mph.

Monday: A slight chance of rain before noon, then a chance of rain or freezing drizzle. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 35. East wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.

Monday Night: A chance of snow, freezing rain, and sleet. Cloudy, with a low around 14 East northeast wind between 15 and 20 mph. with gusts as high as 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40 percent.

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Obituaries

Lanny Orin (L.O.) Weatherly, 73

IULSA, Okla. - Lanny Orin (L.O.) Weatherly, 73, died January 11, 2011, in Tulsa, Okla.

Memorial services will be at 11 a.m, Saturday, January 29, 2011, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, in Pampa, with Jimmy S. Weatherly, his brother, of-

Inurnment will be at Fairview Cemetery in Pampa (remation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Weatherly was born September 15, 1937 in Elk City, Okla., to Lanny L. and Clementine Gibson Weatherly where he grew up and went to school. L.O. served in Germany with the "Hell on Wheels" Army unit out of Lawton, Oklahoma, and was honorably discharged in 1961. He was a former longtime resident of Pampa, and had been a resident of Tulsa since 1995, retiring in 2000 from First Maintenance Company.

L.O. was a self-taught artist, and his number one passion was fishing. He loved music, ranging from Bob Dylan, Johnny Cash, Elvis Presley, to Blues and Jazz

he was an aficionado of music! He will be greatly missed. He was preceded in death by his mother, Clementine Weatherly, his father, Lanny L. Weatherly; and a sister, Rosalie Weatherly Doucette.

Survivors include two brothers, Johnny Weatherly of Albuquerque, N.M., and Jimmy Weatherly of Montcomery; four sisters, Leota Arthur of Tyler, Patricia Howard of Pampa, Sandra Roberson of Katy, and Susie Johnson of Edmond, Okla.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Disabled American Vetgrans, National Headquarters, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, Ohio 45250-0301

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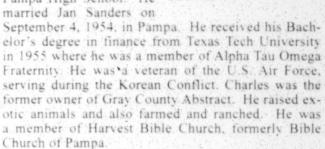
Obituaries

Charles M. Lockhart, 80

Charles M. Lockhart, 80, died January 27, 2011, in Pampa.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Lockhart was born November 3, 1930, in Pampa where he was a lifelong resident. He attended school in Laketon through the 6th grade, and was a 1947 graduate of Pampa High School. He Lockhart



Survivors include his wife, Jan Lockhart of the home, two daughters, Susan Braddock of Pampa, and Sharon Seymore and husband Robert of Lubbock; four grandsons, Jay Braddock of Los Angeles, California, John Braddock and Ben Seymore, and Cade Seymore, all of Lubbock. Charles was preceded in death by his parents, Ben and Grace Lockhart.

Memorials may be made to The Salvation Army, 701 S. Cuyler, Pampa, TX 79065, or Pampa Meals on Wheels, P.O. Box 939, Pampa, TX 79066-0939,

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Mamie Myers, 89

Mamie Myers, 89, went to be with the Lord on January 27, 2011 at Pam-

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, January 29, 2011, at Fairview Cemetery, with Rev. Fines Marchman, pastor of First Baptist Church of Skellytown, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Myers Directors



Mrs. Myers was born March 19, 1921, in Prairie County, Ark., outside of Little Rock, to William Coleman Terry and Vira Terry. She played basketball at Reydon High School at Reydon, Okla, and was their All-Star player her junior year. She scored 20-25 points a game when the girls only played half-court. Mamie married Royal Myers on November 6, 1940, in Reydon, Okla. He preceded her in death on February 1, 1973. She had been a resident of Pampa since 1954. She was a cafeteria manager for Pampa Independent School District for 20 years, retiring in 1980. She was a wonderful cook. Her specialties were hot rolls, cinnamon rolls and peach cobblers. She was a Baptist. She loved and cared for her entire family. She was preceded in death by her parents, daughter, Anita (Ann) White; a grandson, Matt Newsome; four brothers and two sisters.

Survivors include one son, Kenneth Myers of Pampa; two daughters, Frances Furgason and husband Dwayne, and Rita Cochran and husband Kirby, all of Pampa; eight grandchildren, Randy Furgason of Pampa, Amy Albus and husband Anthony of Kingsville, Tina Burns and husband Marlin of Gore, Okla, Scott Furgason and wife Julie of White Deer, Brian Newsome and wife Dana, and Duncan Newsome and wife Lori, all of Amarillo, Chad Cochran and wife Rebeeca of Edmond, Okla., and Brad Cochran and wife Carrie of Sache; 19 great-grandchildren and one great-greatgranddaughter; son-in-law, James White of Amarillo; several nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to Odyssey Hospice, 6900 I-40 West, Suite 150, Amarillo, TX 79106.

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Brad Been, 33

Brad Been, 33, died Jan-

uary 25, 2011, in Pampa. Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 29, 2011, at Briarwood Church with Rev. Lynn Hancock, pastor, officiating. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors

Brad was born September 24, 1977, in Pampa. He was a lifelong resident



Been

of Pampa, graduating from Pampa High School in 1996 where he was a member of the State Champion basketball team. He received his Associates degree from Frank Phillips College in 1999. He married Lindsey Hampton on July 19, 2003, in Pampa. He worked for Titan Specialties as a purchasing agent for nine years.

Survivors include his wife, Lindsey Been of the home; parents, Alan and Pam Been of Pampa; brother, Jody Been and wife Ruth of Englewood, Colo.; maternal grandmother, Lilliam Powers of White Deer; paternal grandmother, Doris Been of Pampa; cousins, many aunts, uncles, great-aunts, great-uncles, and a large group of in-laws who have become his close family. Brad was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Will Powers; and his paternal grandfather, Rod-

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society, c/o Gerry Caylor, 2130 Charles, Pampa, TX

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Bertha Ketcherside, 92

Bertha Ketcherside, 92, died January 26, 2011, in Pampa.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 29, 2011, at Oak Hill Cemetery in Kiowa, Okla., with Rev. Dennis Piearcy, pastor of First Baptist Church of Kiowa, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.



Mrs. Ketcherside was born May 23, 1918, in Stonewall, Okla. She attended school in Lula, Okla. She married George Ketcherside in 1939, in Colgate, Okla., and he preceded her in death in 1983. Bertha had been a resident of Pampa since 1993, moving from Kiowa, Okla. She was a former member of First Baptist Church in Kiowa, and was a current member of First Baptist Church in Pampa. She loved to fead her Bible and work with plastic canvas art. She will be remembered as a loving and kind mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, and she will be dearly missed.

Survivors include a son, Vance Ketcherside and wife Barbara of Pampa; four grandsons, Gary Dwayne Ketcherside and wife Lorna and Tory Dwight Ketcherside, all of Amarillo, Danny Kent Ketcherside of Dallas, and Joseph Robert Ketcherside and wife Charissa of Columbia, S.C.; four granddaughters, Davena Jo House and husband David of Amarillo, Miranda Gay Slover of Lubbock, Theresa Noble and husband Butch of Pampa, and Angie Watkins and husband Fred of Saginaw; 16 great-grandchildren; three great-greatgrandchildren; her sister, Alma Rogers of Colgate, Okla.; special friend, Marge Walker of Pampa; and many nieces and nephews. Bertha was preceded in death by her parents and five siblings. Sign the online register at www.carmichael-what-

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Juanita Hartsell, 85

Juanita Hartsell, 85, of Chico, passed away January 25, 2011, in Decatur. Funeral services were at p.m. Friday, January 28, at First United Methodist Church in Bridgeport with burial at Pleasant Grove Cemetery #3 in Alvord.

Mrs. Hartsell was born May 22, 1925, in Chico to H.P. and Estelle Faith. She was a member of Eastern Star who loved Hartsell music and loved to dance.



She especially loved spending time with her large family. Mrs. Hartsell was a volunteer with Meals on

She was preceded in death by her husband, Pete Hartsell and her parents.

Mrs. Hartsell is survived by three sons, Danny Hartsell and wife Darla of Bridgeport, Lynn Hartsell and wife Debby of Lake Bridgeport, and Tim Hartsell and wife Dorthy of Marshall; three daughters, Jane Cayce of Pampa, Deanna Wilson and husband Ron of Chico, and Debbie Hand of Fort Worth; sister, Louise Merritt of Chico; 16 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren and one on the way; three great-great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and a host of

Stephen Kirk Lowther, 56

God called Stephen Kirk Lowther home on January 25, 2011, after battling cancer. Steve was born in Tulsa, Okla., March 38, 1954, to Edward Lowther and Norene Martin Lowther Nichols. Besides his parents, Steve is preceded in death by his older brother, William "Billy-Bob" Wallace and step-brother, Joey Nich-



Lowther

Steve is survived by his step-father, Joe Nichols of Tahlequah Okla., daughters, Renota Dempsey of Youngsville, La., Sasha Lowther of Foyil, Okla., Steve has three grandchildren, Ashlyn Thibodeaux, Seth Kirk Thibodeaux, Gage Thibodeaux, all of New Iberia, La. In addition he will be dearly missed by his sisters, Sherry Hobbs and husband Donnie of Collinsville, Okla., Gretchen Soerries and husband Steve of Broken Arrow, Okla., Kim Willson and husband Tim of Pampa, and Debbie Houser of Vale, N.C.; step-brother, Matthew Nichols of Tulsa, Okla. and step-sister Kelly Scarbrough, of Hot Springs Ark. Steve's family includes many aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, great nieces/nephews and many close friends.

Steve worked for many years on off shore drilling rigs as a cook in the Louisiana Gulf. He returned most recently to Tahlequah, Okla., March 2009 after his mother had suffered a stroke. Steve was proud of his Cherokee Heritage and even worked at the Cherokee Casino in Catoosa, Okla., at one time. Steve pride extended beyond his Indian Heritage to a pride in the state of his birth because you never saw Steve without some piece of OU Sooner apparel, be it his hat or shirt or the tattoo on his arm.

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INDIANAPOLIS (AP) - A federal judge says Indiana cannot deny paternity documents for children born in the U.S. just because their parents are illegal immigrants and don't have Social Security numbers.

U.S. District Judge Tanya Walton Pratt issued the ruling Thursday in a lawsuit filed by parents who say a state policy requiring the numbers violates their children's

Under the policy, paternity affidavits filed by unmarried parents must contain both parents' Social Security numbers or be sent back to county health offices unrecorded.

The judge says denying parents the ability to establish legal paternity amounts to discrimination against children who are American citizens. Pratt issued a preliminary injunction barring the policy.

State health officials say the policy was meant to reflect state and federal law. State attorneys haven't decided whether they'll appeal

Panel urges more TX rail projects

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - A report on how Texas could improve the Interstate 35 corridor recommends passenger rail projects to shift travelers from congested roads.

The report, released Thursday to the Texas Transportation Commission, says many of the recommendations would involve expanding 1-35 or nearby existing highways

The so-called My 35 Plan recommends more managed lanes, plus real-time traffic information systems that alert drivers to delays and provide alternate routes.

The citizen-led Interstate 35 Corridor Advisory Committee recommends redesignating and renaming parts of I-35 in Central Texas to divert traffic away from metropolitan areas.

The report, which says legislative action may be needed, says many of the recommended projects "were needed yesterday.

Probation deems no more tattoos

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP)- A judge in Beaumont has barred a woman from getting more tattoos or plastic surgery until she repays \$15,000 to the government.

Tamraka McGriff in September pleaded guilty to theft of public money. McGriff, who was sentenced Wednesday, faced up to a year in prison.

Investigators say the case involved Social Security funds that McGriff no longer was eligible to get for her disabled son after he was enrolled in a state-funded residential program.

The Beaumont Enterprise reports McGriff also must do 240 hours of community service and cannot handle public money in her job as the Beaumont Independent School District's transportation coordinator. BISD spokeswoman Jessie Hays says McGriff is not allowed

to sign purchase orders. Further details on McGriff's tattoos and plastic surgery were not immediately available.

Barnett Shale used to test rules

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality will use the Barnett Shale area to try out proposed tougher regulations on natural gas

The rules, meant to limit toxic chemicals released into the air, will take effect April 1 in the 23-county Barnett Shale region of North Texas:

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reports the TCEQ expects to apply the rules to the rest of Texas in early 2012

TCEO commissioners voted Wednesday to beef up air emission limits on toxic chemicals associated with natural gas drilling and required producers to do expanded testing of their drilling sites.

Celina Romero of the Texas Pipeline Association told commissioners that testing the rules in one area will allow the agency to make changes if they prove too complicated or burdensome.

TX gas prices decline 1 cent

IRVING, Texas (AP) - Gasoline prices slipped by a penny this week in the AAA Texas survey of the cost at the pump.

The association on Thursday reported the average price for a gallon of regular unleaded gas declined 1 cent, to

The national average also is down a penny, to \$3.10 San Antonio and Fort Worth had the cheapest gasoline this week, at an average \$2.92 a gallon.

AAA Texas says the most expensive gasoline is in Texarkana at \$2.97 per gallon.

Bristol Palin won't be on panel

ST. LOUIS (AP) - Washington University in St. Louis says Bristol Palin won't be speaking there next month

The decision comes after some students expressed outrage over Palin being paid with student-generated funds: The daughter of former GOP vice presidential can-

didate Sarah Palin had been invited by the university's Student Health Advisory Committee to be part of a panel discussion on abstinence on Feb. 7. Bristol Palin became pregnant at 17 and is a single mom to a 2-year-old son.

It's not clear exactly how much she was to-receive, but student leaders had approved spending \$20,000 for

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch reports that the university issued a statement Thursday night saying the advisory committee and Palin decided "the message that they intended on sharing would be overshadowed by controversy.



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Repairing holes in drywall

Dear Pat: I just bought an older house, and it seems the previous owner used the walls for target practice. What is the best method to repair small and large holes in the drywall? - Judy K.

Dear Judy: Drywall is a wonderful material for finishing interior walls, but as you have found, it is not particularly resistant to abuse. Once it gets damaged and the surface is deformed, it does not take much to poke a hole all the way through it.

Luckily, most damaged drywall material is not difficult to repair. The key to a professional-looking job is to take your time and plan on taking several steps to get a smooth surface. If you rush and eliminate steps; the drywall compound or spackling compound will shrink as it dries thoroughly, and you may see a recessed area.

Plan on painting all the walls with flat wall paint when the repairs are completed. Flat wall paint hides many surface imperfections. If you are going to use semigloss paint for easier cleaning or where moisture is present, as in a kitchen or bathroom, the surface imperfections will be much more apparent.

Let's start with the small holes in the drywall first. If the edge of the hole is in pretty good condition (no cracks running out from it), you should be able to fill it with spackling compound. Force the spackling compound into the hole with a putty knife.

Give it plenty of time to dry (the packaging should list approximate drying times). DAP makes a good lightweight spackling compound that changes color to indicate when it is dry. Lightly sand the repair and then apply another coat of spackling or drywall compound. When this is dry, sand it again until it is smooth.

If the edges of the holes are not in good condition, use a peel-andstick patch over the area. These patches have a metal mesh center for strength. Sand down the area that the patch will cover. Apply the patch over the damaged spot and finish it with drywall or spackling compound.

Repairing larger holes in the wall requires a few more steps. Using a

framing square, draw a rectangular outline around the area on the drywall to be repaired. Make sure to inspect around the hole for any less apparent, weak or damaged areas. Cut through the drywall along the outline with a drywall knife or jigsaw and remove the damaged piece.

Cut two or three furring strips to a length several inches longer than the width of the hole in the wall. Place the strips through the hole and screw them to the backside of the drywall. These will support the patch that will be inserted.

Use the damaged piece you removed as a template to cut a patch from new drywall. Place it in the hole against the furring strips and screw it to the strips with drywall screws. Always make sure the screw heads are recessed slightly so the drywall compound with cover them. Place adhesive-backed fiberglass drywall tape over the joints and finish it with several coats of drywall compound.

Send your questions to Here's How, 6906 Royalgreen Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45244 or visit www.dullev.com

HOME HOW-TO Drywall Repair Drywall repairs typically involve repairing dents, covering popped nails and patching holes punched through the wall. Larger damage requires sectional replacement repair. Stud Backer board Using a utility knife or keyhole saw, cut the damaged piece existing studs Measure the size of the hole and the thickness of the existing drywall. Cut a new piece to size and fasten it to the existing studs and the added backer Backer board board with screws Insert a backer board in place

Nursing homes, advocates warn of mass closures

the edge of the hole.

Source: www.mygreathome.com

and screw drywall screws through the drywall into the board, at least 1" away from

In the tiny town of Schertz. Darlene Evans is worriedly watching Medicaid cuts being considered by the Legislature.

It's not the impact that budget proposals would have on her own salary that concerns her most. Or even the 95 employees at her Autumn Winds Retirement Lodge that could be left unemployed. Rather, she's most scared for the 92 elderly residents that she says would be left homeless if current budget proposals to cut funding for Medicaid are signed into

"We've had our ups and downs in terms of funding," Evans said of the 15 years she and her husband have owned the nursing home, about 60 miles south of the Capitol. "This by far is the most scary for me in all the years I've been in this profession.

"I feel like I'm in a fight of my life, not only for our residents but for my staff as well.

Autumn Winds is one of hundreds of nursing homes in Texas that largely

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) - depend on Medicaid for care of That's our main leaders have released their funding. As the Legislature grapples with a revenue shortfall of at least \$15 billion - \$27 billion by some estimates - one of the most agonizing cuts being proposed is slashed reimbursement rates for nursing homes, hospitals and physicians that offer Medicaid. Advocates say about 550 nursing homes in Texas, serving about 45,000 patients, depend on Medicaid.

"We are not crying wolf. Pieces of the sky are falling," said Tim Graves, president and CEO of the Texas Health Care Association. "There's no way the major nursing home stream in Texas can be cut by a third and not cause significant bankrupteies, closures, widespread displacement of patients and frontline health care workers will just be going to unemployment lines in local communities.

"The real concern for us is where do the patients go? Where do the residents go? These are the most frail, fragile Texans that the health care system takes

concern. How is this going to work out?

Early budget proposals have cut Medicaid reimbursement rates by 10 percent, in addition to a three percent rate reduction that state leaders requested in the current budget.

But Graves and other advocates say the true cut is closer to 33 percent because of changes in the federal-state share formula that resulted from the economic stimulus package. The state's funding share has increased, but budget proposals are not paying

for that increase. For Evans, each percent is the equivalent of about \$25,000.

"Do the math of a 33 percent cut. That's absolutely devastating," she said. "It's operation of the business with that size of cut.

House and Senate budget

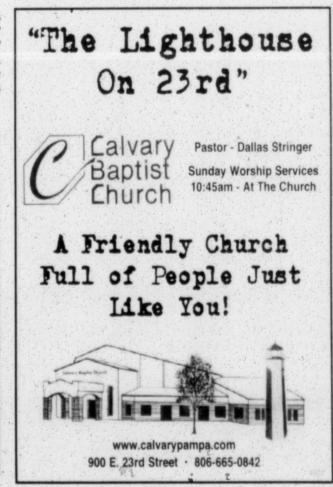
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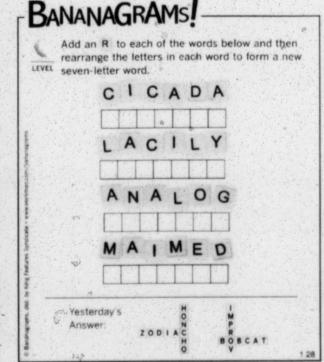
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spokeswoman for House Speaker Joe Straus did not immediately respond to requests for comment Thursday. House budget writer Rep. Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, has said finding ways to save in an already lean budget is a difficult but necessary

The nursing homes in Texas that depend on Medicaid as a major funding stream employ about 62,000 people.

House and Senate budget leaders have released their proposals for the 2012-13. state budgets, but the document still has far to go impossible to continue the Obefore being finalized next





Viewpoints

Today in History

Today's Highlight in History:

On Jan. 28, 1986, the space shuttle Challenger exploded 73 seconds after liftoff from Cape Canaveral, killing all seven of its crew members. including schoolteacher Christa McAuliffe.

On this date:

In 1547, England's King Henry VIII died; he was succeeded by his 9-year-old son, Edward VI.

In 1853, Cuban revolutionary Jose Marti was born in Havana.

In 1909, the United States withdrew its forces from Cuba as Jose Miguel Gomez became presi-

In 1911, the notorious Hope Diamond was sold by jeweler Pierre Cartier to socialites Edward and Evalvn McLean of Washington, D.C., for

In 1915, the United States Coast Guard was created as President Woodrow Wilson signed a bill merging the Life-Saving Service and Revenue Cutter Service.

In 1916, Louis D. Brandeis was nominated by President Woodrow Wilson to the Supreme Court; Brandeis became the court's first Jewish member.

In 1945, during World War II, Allied supplies began reaching China over the newly reopened Burma Road.

In 1960, the National Football League awarded tranchises to Dallas and Minneapolis-St. Paul.

In 1973, a cease-fire officially went into effect in the Vietnam War.

In 1980, six U.S. diplomats who had avoided being taken hostage at their embassy in Tehran flew out of Iran with the help of Canadian diplo-

Ten years ago: Only a week after naming a record-setting 37 new cardinals, Pope John Paul II. announced five more cardinals - two Germans, one each from South Africa, Bolivia and Ukraine

Five years ago: A memorial service was held at the Kennedy Space Center to honor the crew of the Challenger on the 20th anniversary of the shuttle

One year ago: President Barack Obama and Vice President Joe Biden announced \$8 billion in federal grants for high-speed rail projects nationwide during a visit to Tampa, Fla.

Today's Birthdays: Musician-composer Acker Bilk is 82. Actor Nicholas Pryor is 76. Actor Alan Alda is 75. Actress Susan Howard is 69. Actress Marthe Keller is 66. Actress-singer Barbi Benton is 61. Evangelical pastor Rick Warren is 57. French President Nicolas Sarkozy is 56. Actress Harley Jane Kozak is 54. Movie director Frank Darabont is 52. Rock musician Dave Sharp is 52. Rock singer Sam Phillips is 49. Rock musician Dan Spitz is 48. Singer Sarah McLachlan is 43. Actress Kathryn Morris ("Cold Case") is 42. Rhythm-and-blues singer Anthony Hamilton is 40. Rock musician Brandon Bush is 38. Singer Joev Fatone Jr. ('N Sync) is 34. Rapper Rick Ross is 34. Actress Rosamund Pike is 32. Singer Nick Carter (Backstreet Boys) is 31. Actor Elijah Wood is 30. Actress Ariel Winter is 13.

Thought for Today: "A self-taught man usually has a poor teacher and a worse student." Heim Youngman British-born American comedian (1906-1998)



There is madness in the metaphors

Now that I've had a chance to think about it, I probably could have used a different metaphor."

This is going to be good. Please

The been coaching our high school's basketball team for a long time. We don't have the most talented kids, but we have the most heart. I've developed quite a knack for firing them up before big games.

Firing up?

We were about to play our archenemy in our biggest game of the year -- but our kids wouldn't get the lead out. They should have been warming up, but instead sat around, shooting the breeze."

"That's no good." "I understood why, though. They

were still shellshocked over the loss we suffered a few days before. That game was murder Shellshocked! Murder!"

Well, they figured I was going

to console them, but I came at them with both barrels blazing. I told them point-blank that they were at fault for the loss. They were not prepared and went off -"

'Half-cocked?'

That's right. I called out my guard for having an itchy trigger finger -- he'd rather shoot than pass and he couldn't hit the broad side of a barn with a bazooka."

"Oh, my goodness.

"Well. after shamed them while, I figured it was time to start building them back. up. I told them we're bloody but unbowed. Then I threw down the gauntlet. I told them it was no time to retreat; it was time to-

"Reload?"

"That's right. We needed to bite the bullet, after all. We had a real pitched battle ahead of us. Our opposition had a lot of weapons. If we had any hope of beating them, we had to draw first blood."

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"How did the game go?"

"Son of a gun if we didn't annihilate our archenemy! We started slow in the first period, but our kids stuck to their guns. The momentum shifted our way. It was like shooting fish in a barrel. But that's when my metaphors got me into trouble. "Trouble?"

"I assembled our kids after the game. I praised them for their excellent play. I told them the rest of the season was up to them -- it was a shot in the dark, but if we didn't shoot ourselves in the foot, we might make the playoffs.

"And that got you in trouble?"

"One kid's father overheard my speech. He's had me in his sights all year and finally had a clear shot. He complained to the school that my metaphors were vitriolic. He complained to the police that I was inciting violence. I was suspended as a coach and the cops may press charges."

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"In these highly sensitive times, it might be a good idea to choose your metaphors more carefully.

"That may be true. Nobody ever accused me of being a great orator or choosing the best metaphors. Still, they're just metaphors. But apparently weak-minded people think we're too stupid to understand what metaphors really mean? Really? Have you ever seen anyone shoot fish in a barrel?"

"A fair point."

"Everything is backward, if you ask, me? In the process of trying to attribute rational, political motives to a crazy man, people in the media and political arena make themselves look, well, crazy Now they're afraid to use such metaphors at all. They're missing the target. They need to take more careful aim.

"You can't help yourself with the metaphors, can you?""Not by a long shot."

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God can help you make the right decision

I heard this story about a lady who couldn't decide whether she wanted to wear a sleeveless gown to her prom or a long-sleeved dress. She put off the decision so the lady making the dress made one sleeve long and the other sleeveless. Sounds funny but I think we end up with a funny-looking outcome when we can't make a decision. Do you have trouble making decisions? What do I wear today? Where should I invest my money? What type of person should I marry? What type of career should I pursue? Some people look to their horoscope, get their palms read, ask total strangers, or flip a coin. The Bible gives us help in this area of our lives. Proverbs 3:5-6 says, Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight. God wants to give us wisdom to help us make our decisions. What can I do to guarantee wise decisions? I must trust the Lord fully and completely. This means devoting my whole being to Him and His will. This begins when I give my life to Him and accept Him as my Savior and Lord by faith, repenting of my sin through confession. I must make a total commitment to seek His direction and plan for my life in every area. I must stop trying to control my life. This is hard and takes a lot of sacrifice. The



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lean on my own understanding. We understand things to the degree that we know about them. God understands everything. He sees the entire picture and all the

Him for guidance and read the Bible because church at 11:30 a.m. Sunday in it is the way to everlasting life and fullness. the Lively Hall. It also requires that we be around His people of the church regularly. We learn of God in with the event said this is the these ways best. He lives in the hearts of His first ministry fair and is a great people. In these ways we acknowledge Him, way for people to get involved. To acknowledge Him means to affirm that He has a plan for us. As a result, He is able to showcase its ministries and to to make our paths straight or right. Should I get people to sign up," Brachi wear long sleeves or go sleeveless? God can said. "We will be showcasing help you make the right decision for every everything from mission opporgiven situation if you will follow His plan in tunities to Sunday School, chil-Proverbs 3:5-6

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Pampa First United Methodist traps and snares ahead. He Church will give their congregawill guide us around them tion a chance to explore differas we will give Him control. We must pray to ent ministries in their fair after

Donna Brauchi, who is helping

"This is an event for the church dren, youth and older adult min-

The event is going to have a

"fair theme" and will have food like hot dogs and corn dogs. Brachi said it's important for the church to hold an event like this to get people involved and show where their money is going.

"To get the most out of the church it's best to be involved in small groups and fellowship," Brachi said. "When we tithe, it goes to more than just paying salaries and the building. (Tithes) go to produce ministry opportunities.

Brachi said they have gotten a good response from the ministries to participate.

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NASA marks 25th anniversary of Challenger with ceremony

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) -Hundreds gathered at NASA's launch site Friday to mark the 25th anniversary of the Challenger disaster, receiving words of hope from the widow of the space shuttle's commander.

the chilly outdoor ceremony drew pace agency managers, former astroauts, past and present launch directors. mily and friends of the fallen crew and schoolchildren who weren't yet orn when the space shuttle carrying high school teacher from Concord, H. crupted in the sky.

The accident on Jan. 28, 1986 - just seconds into flight - killed all even on board, including schoolteacher nrista McAuliffe.

June Scobee Rodgers, the widow of hallenger's commander, Dick Scobee, uged the crowd to "boldly look to the uture not only in space travel, but a space and science education. She as instrumental in establishing the Challenger Center for Space Science ducation.

The entire world knew how the hallenger crew died, she said. "We anted the world to know how they ved and for what they were risking

Rodgers and NASA's space operaions chief. Bill Gerstenmaier, placed

a memorial wreath of red, white and blue-tinted carnations at the base of the Space Mirror Memorial.

The 42-foot-tall gleaming mirrored slab of granite bears the names of all 24 astronauts killed in the line of duty over the years - 17 of those in U.S. spacecraft.

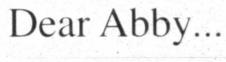
Dennis and Pat Cassidy of Franklin, N.H., blinked back tears as Rodgers

Mrs. Cassidy recalled the joy she felt when McAuliffe was named as NASA's teacher in space - she screamed she was so excited. When Challenger was lost, she couldn't stop crying.

"Geez. You never expected it to happen. We never expect these kinds of things to happen, I guess," she said, clutching a red rose.

Her husband recalled after the initial shock, feeling so badly for McAuliffe's family, all present at the launch: her husband, two children and her parents. "All I could do was say a prayer for the family. And that's what they should do today, say a prayer for the families.'

The crew included commander Scobee; co-pilot Michael Smith; Ellison, Onizuka, the first Asian-American in space: Resnik; Ronald McNair, the second African-American in space; McAuliffe; and Gregory Jarvis



By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips



through my life this far.

thing under the sun, except for losing a best friend due PHILLY aring. Please advise me. THROWN AWAY IN PASADENA, TEXAS

DEAR THROWN hurting, and I am sorry. too much to carry, it's molested you. understandable that she would need to back off.

support groups for peo- Did he talk to his minister ple in your situation, and confess what he did? there are counselors who can help you sort through help of any kind? Are your feelings -- and be- there little girls in your cause this experience has extended family? been devastating, you should talk with one.

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He has apologized for what happened and knows I hate him for it and can't forgive him. It hasn't happened since, and I know he's telling the truth. I feel. My heart is breaking, the next step in my healing We have been friends for is to confide in my friends half our lives. This is more and ask them to pray for levastating than any di- me. But if I do, I know voice, death or hurricane they won't look at me the I have ever experienced, same: I'm afraid they'll get She is how I have gotten their parents to intervene and something will hap-

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I'm all for the power prayer, but rather than tell your girlfriends, is your mother aware of what happened? If she is unavailable to you, then you should talk to your minister or a trusted counselor at school: If you're afraid this will "betray" your father, call the Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network There are support pen to Dad. That's the last (RAINN) toll-free at (800) groups out there for every—thing I want. Should I tell? 656-4673. You can speak NEEDS SUPPORT IN to one of the counselors there in complete confi-DEAR NEEDS SUP- dence. They are experi-PORT: You appear to be enced and can guide you

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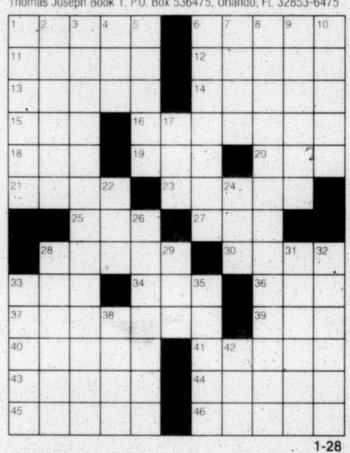
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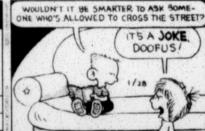
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Jan. 29, 2011:

This year, success comes to you, but often your normal approach will be thwarted. You could be delighted by the role friends and associates play in your life. They clearly want you to obtain a goal and support you in any way that feels appropriate. If you are single, a friendship could develop into more. The other possibility is that you could meet someone through a friend. If you are attached, think of your sweetie as a friend, too. That bonding will support you in difficult times. SAGIT-TARIUS adores spending time with you.

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)

**** An invation is too appealing to say "no" to. Though a friend or roommate might want to be left out, go with your sense of adventure. You will particularly enjoy a new activity or place. Relax with the moment. Tonight: Be imaginative and original.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

*** Remain easygoing in the face of change and perhaps feeling a bit tired. You might not want to keep your plans, but do so for yourself. Someone close loves having you all to him- or herself. You might be happier with spontaneity. Tonight: Dinner for two.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

**** Go along with plans. Enjoy being the passenger and not having to make every decision. The person in question is trying to speak through his or her actions. This person's caring is quite apparent. Meet new people; join friends. Tonight: Stay out of a

competition. CANCER (June 21-July 22)

*** Whether painting a room or reading a good book, you are comfortable following through on a task. Once it's complete, you will feel great. Invite several friends over midafternoon. Your love of entertaining and people mix well. Tonight: Make it easy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

**** You might not want to let your hair down, but you will. Others certainly support you in relaxing and having fun. No one is surprised to hear that you are tired. You have pushed and pushed. Give yourself permission to veg or do your thing. Tonight: A partner or friend is on the warpath.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

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*** Consider repainting or remodeling before you decide to move. You might want

more space. Clearing out clutter could help. Others willingly pitch in, if that is OK with you. Note that not everything will be put away perfectly, but the feel will be great. Tonight: Order in, especially as you could have company and still have a mess.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

*** Your ability to laugh and loosen up others falls flat. You might take others' odd reactions personally, but actually their minds, are on other matters. You have been a little serious of late. Find a friend, child or loved one who makes you smile. Tonight: You don't have to go far.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Be aware of your tendency to go overboard and create a lot of problems for yourself later. Still, you might be in the mood to overindulge. Whether spending, eating or imbibing, you simply perk up and have a good time. Tonight: Finally tell someone

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

**** A friend could be dragging his or her heels, creating a question in your mind. This person's intentions will become clear without you having to ask any questions. An innate glow attracts many people. Don't wonder why people are gravitating toward you. Tonight: Wish-upon-a-star time! CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** You might want some downtime. A parent, boss or another type of authority figure comes down very hard on you. Remember, you don't always need to be avail-

able. Meet a special person in your life for the day. Go alone - you could meet someone

intriguing. Tonight: Still not to be found. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) **** You could be a little taken aback by news and feel sad. Hook up with a friend who you always have a good time with. A new friend made today could change your life considerably. This relationship could develop into a long-term tie. Tonight:

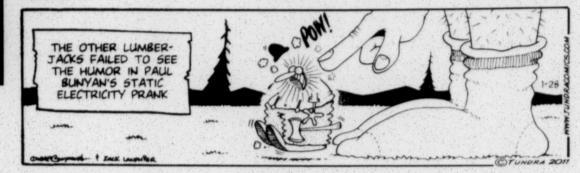
You are the party. PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

** Stay sensitive to a somewhat depressed partner. You might wonder what is happening with an older friend or relative if you look at his or her demeanor. Learn more effective ways of expressing your anger. To-

night: Out and about. BORN TODAY

Comedian W.C. Fields (1880), talk-show host Oprah Winfrey (1954), guitarist Jonny Lang (1981)

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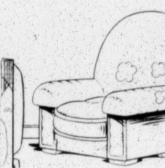






Garfield







Beetle Bailey





Marvin



Hagar The Horrible





Peanuts

SOMEONE AT SCHOOL TODAY ASKED ME IF I HAD AN OLDER BROTHER WHO DRAGGED A BLANKET AROUND.. "NO," I REPLIED," I'M AN ONLY CHILD! THEN SOMEONE SAID," BUT DON'T YOU HAVE A WEIRD OLDER SISTER? NO," I INSISTED, "I'M AN ONLY CHILD!" AND SO I GO, DAY AFTER DAY, DODGING QUESTIONS FROM CURIOUS OUTSIDERS





Blondie







Rodriguez

Coordinator at the Pampa Independent School District, she's great at all of it.

"She is awesome," said East, who works directly with Rodriguez on a regular basis. "She's very creative. She's like the Energizer Bunny. She' just keeps going and going.

"She has these fabulous ideas for events, whether it's decorating or putting the event together... Anything she does, it goes above and beyond. With her events, she makes the parents really feel like they've gone somewhere special. She just shines.

It's evident just from speaking with Rodriguez that she enjoys planning her events. Right now, for example, she's helping coordinate a family line dance at Lamar for both parents and kids.

Lebruary is Heart Healthy Month, Rodriguez said, her voice abuzz with excitement. "We're going to teach the children to line dance, and then we'll my ite the parents. We've done it once before It II be really fun. I can't wait. Fach event is special for Rodriguez, although she said that there is one that

the always looks forward to. One of my favorites is always the Scholastic Book Fair. That's always my favorite thing of the year. The kids get so excited, and I love to do all the lecorating and everything. You see the parents and the kids having a good time. It s just one week of total excite-

Rodriguez was also heavily involved the PISD's recent Academic showcase. As the planning committee spresentative from Lamar. Rodriguez helped with initial event setup and prepared the school's kids for their prescutations

Seeing the showcase succeed was one of the most rewarding nights of cont. from page 1

her career, Rodriguez said. "It was amazing. It really was amaz-

ing. You work and you plan and you pray - you know, 'please, please, please' - and then we went in and saw all the kids and all the people. It was wonderful.

"You always worry about (the kids) being bashful, but they just kind of got into the groove of it, and it was great."

The showcase was also fun for Rodriguez because she got to revisit with some former Lamar Bobcats who have grown into Pampa Harvesters.

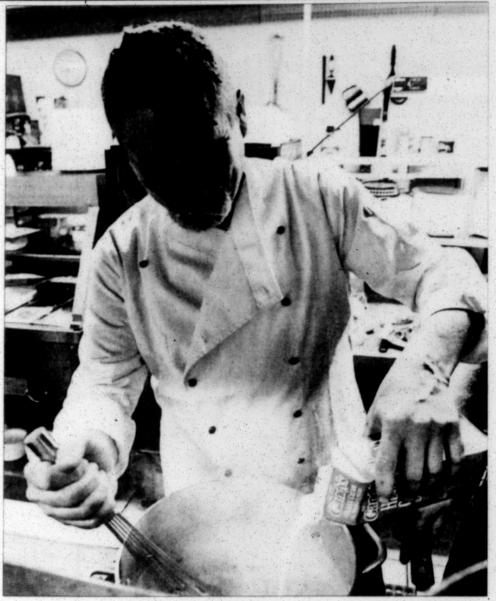
"Oh, it was great," said Rodriguez. "They'd say, 'Hey, Miss Tammy, can I help you do something? I'd say, 'Oh. my gosh, yes. It was great to see them grow up.

Seeing all the parents at the showcase was another point of pride for Rodriguez, she said. Having a unique perspective as the proverbial bridge between Lamar and its parents, Rodriguez said that she sees the importance that the Pampa community places on the education and welfare of

"I think they value education quite a bit," she said. "They value their children very highly. We have a lot of parents who can't always make it to something, but they always try, The effort's always there. We have great parents here

A parent of two kids herself, Rodriguez said that it's always good to see the community taking an interest in its young students.

You talk to the parents, and they're excited about whatever event we just did. They'll ask you about how their children are doing. You get positive comments about them. That's a good part of the job.



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Joe Dooley, chef at Smokin' Joe's Grill, works on gravy in the kitchen of Pampa's newest restaurant, as he prepares for the lunch rush.

Joe's

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cooking. It's straight from the heart to

In every corner of the world, local health workers like Salif Diarra bring lifesaving care to the children who need it most.

To save a child, there's no such thing as too far away.

Tonight, they'll offer prime rib, Dooley said. Saturday, they'll have a

shrimp boil.

We make homemade soup every day," he said. "They're made from scratch. Nothing's frozen. The same with our

Dooley said they make their own beef and chicken stock.

We create from scratch," he said.

Even their french fries are fresh cut.

Angus, the menu doesn't stop there. He said he's also very particular about their buns and breads.

We use a marbled rye for our Patty Melts and Ruben's," he said.

Dooley said he was raised in restau-

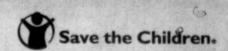
"My father was a chef," he said. "My mom was a chef."

Dooley also cooked in the service. The Montana native cooked while he

was in the Coast Guard.

"Being from Montana, I think I was in the Coast Guard for two years," he







Dessert - Blackberry Cobbler

Sports

Harvesters must avoid slow starts for district success

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Pampa are at home.

Though with that

said, the Harvesters

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The Pampa Harvesters boys basketball team got off to a good start in District 1-3A play, winning two out three and hold a tie for first. In two of the games, though, the Harvesters started slow. One of them Pampa was fortunate and won; in the other, they were not so lucky. For the Harvesters to build on their start, they need to avoid starting halves slow.

In the district opener at Dalhart January 18, Pampa allowed Dalhart to score the first 11 points of the game and didn't score until 4:11 left in the first. Still the Harvesters recovered quickly and built a nine-point halftime lead. Pampa started the second half slow and allowed the Golden Wolves to regain the lead. Again Pampa recovered and wonthe game by 13.

Tuesday against Perryton, the Harvesters allowed the Rangers to score the first seven points of the game and



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still have to play at Borger twice and

Dalhart once

How does Pampa avoid this the rest of district? For starters, the Harvesters need to protect the ball. A big cause to the slow starts has been turnovers. This has allowed their opponents at times to get easy baskets. More importantly,

four.

One

turnovers leave points off the board for Pampa. Every possession that results in a turnover leaves a potential one to four points off the scoreboard. When those points swing the other way, that's how you enter the huddle before the second quarter facing a double digit deficit.

The Harvesters can cut back on turnovers by taking what's there and make the simple play. In some of the games I've seen, we've tried to go for a quick score after a miss but overthrew the runner and the ball went out of bounds. Some players will try to make a fancy move to the basket but travel in the process. Fast break scores and highlight reel shots are great but only if they are executed properly. The simple jumper and the fundamental layup may not get you on the news, but it's better ending a possession with points.

The Harvesters just need to execute

the fundamentals of shooting and hope for a little luck. The more people the Harvesters have making shots, the better. It's no secret to Pampa's opponents that senior Garrett Ericson and junior Latigo Collins are the leading scorers. and defenses will try to at least shut down one of them. Against Dalhart, junior Cole Engle stepped up with 11 points and hit two threes that helped Pampa take over the game. Against Borger, Zach Murray stepped up with 10 points.

The Harvesters are in good position heading into the next three games and by next Friday could have a playoff spot clinched. If Pampa can execute all 32 minutes, it's going to be hard for opponents to stop them.

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8th grade girls drop tourney openers

ANDREW GLOVER aglover@thepampanews.com

The Pampa Junior High eighth grade A and B teams each opened their end-of-season fournaments with a loss to Dumas Thursday in Canyon and Westover Park.

The A team lost 40-26 at Canyon. Pampa recorded 16 turnovers, 13 rebounds and six steals. The Lady Reapers shot 39 percent from the free throw line, 21 percent from the field and made one of five three-pointers.

Madison Brown and Taylor Eubank led the team ' in rebounds with four each. Ty Johnson and Caragan Niccum each had two. Meagan Martinez had one: Johnson led the team in steals with three. Brown, Eubank and Niccum each had one. Eubank led the team

in scoring with 12. Brown scored 10, Allison Noble and Risa Rodriguez each scored two.

The B team lost 37-33 at Westover. Pampa recorded: 33 turnovers, 17 rebounds and 16 steals. The Lady Reapers made three of four free throws and shot 42 percent from the field.

Keisha Daniels led the team in rebounds with six. Raven Neal grabbed four, Kinli Thomas and Madelyn Solis each grabbed three. Thomas led the team in steals with seven. Karen Duarte stole three and Solis stole two.

Brown led the team in scoring with 13. Daniels followed with six. Solis, Neal and Thomas each scored four and Samara Villanueva scored two. The tournament continues Saturday

Hidden Hills results

SENIOR SCRAMBLE Jan. 1, 2011.

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L Morris M Ball Second - 63 R Parnell J South J Lee J Richardson

Third - 64

J Howell

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LAMAR HOT SHOT CONTEST CHAMPIONS



photo courtesy of Tammy Bodriguez

Second grade hot shot winners. Boys from left: Cameron Littlefield (1st), Eric Cabrales (2nd) and Jackson Thomas (3rd). Girls from left: Cassandra Quezada (1st), Olivia Flores (2nd), Kloie Rankin and Jacqueline Villanueva

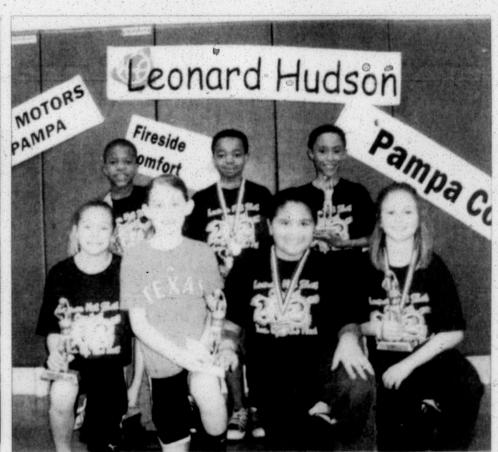


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Third grade hot shot winners Boys from left: Jaydon Burney (1st), Dernius Williams (2nd), Isaiah Valasquez (3rd). Girls from left: Kambry Smith (1st), Zoe Fry, Kyanna Perry (2nd) and Maggie Hernandez (3rd).



photo courtesy of Tammy Rodriguez

Fourth grade winners boys from left: Reid Smith (1st), Robert Botello (2nd). Hugo Quezada and Jaken Reeves (3rd). Girls from left: Madison Davis and Callin Eurelson (1st), Maddie Yates (2nd) and Ashton Burk (3rd).



Fifth grade winners boys from left: Braydon Fry (1st), Moses Avila (2nd), Caleb Lance and Darrell Fields (3rd). Girls from left: Jacey Steel (1st), Maggie Hernandez (2nd) and Ivanna Clarida (3rd).

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2011 SPRINT CUP SCHEDULE

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Peb 17	Gatorade Duel
Feb. 20	Daytona
Feb. 27	Phoenix
March 6	Las Vegas
March 20	Bristo
March 27	Fontana
April 3	Martinsville
April 9	Texas
April 17	lalladega
April 30	Richmond
May 7	Darlington
May 15	Dover
May 21	All-Star Race
May 29	Charlotte
June 5	Kansas
June 12	Pocono
June 19	Michigan
June 26	Sonoma
July 2	Daytona
July 9	Kentucky
July 17	Loudon
July 31	Indianapolis
Aug. 7	Watkins Glen
Aug. 14	Watkins Glen
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Aug. 27	Bristol
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Oct. 30	Martinsville
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Nov. 13	Phoenix

2011 NATIONWIDE SERIES SCHEDULE

Feb. 26	Phoenix
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Sept. 9	Richmond
Sept. 17	Chicago
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Oct. 8	Kansas
Oct. 14	Charlotte
Nov. 5	Texas

This year's Daytona events

Daytona International Speedway is NASCAR's nost significant and historic track. It has hosted the sport's premier race, the Daytona 500, since it opened in 1959. The 2.5-mile track has been repayed recently

Lee Petry won the first Daytona 500, edging Johnny Beauchamp in what wound up being a photo finish. Beauchamp was originally declared the winner until photographic evidence caused the outcome to be reversed Jamie McMurray won the 2010 running of what has been labeled The Great American Race. Richard Petty won a record seven Daytona 500s. and his total of 10 victories in points races at the track is an all-time record. He won perhaps the most famous 500 in 1979, which a final-lap crash involving ale Yarborough and Donnie Allison resulted in Petty's victory. Petty didn't come out an top, however another classic. David Pearson won the 1976 Day tona 500 after being involved in a crash with Petty



or the final lap. Pearson managed to limp across the ine first, with Petty's crumpled Dodge stopped only a few yards shy of the finish line

▶ Jan. 28, Grand-Am Continental Tire Sports. Challenge 200.

▶ Jan. 29-30, Rolex 24 at Daytona

▶ Feb. 12, Bud Shootout, NASCAR Sprint Cup Series ▶ Feb. 12, Lucas Oil Slick Mist 200, Automobile Racing Club of America

➤ Feb. 13. Daytona 500 Qualifying: Sprint Cup Series. ➤ Feb. 17. Gatorade Düel (two 150-mile qualifying Araces), Sprint Cup Series.

▶ Feb. 18, NextEra Energy Resources 250, NASCAR Camping World Truck Series

▶ Feb. 19, DRIVE400PD 300, NASCAR Nationwide Series

▶ Feb. 20, Daytena 500, Sprint Cup Series

March 5. Daytona Supercross ▶ March 6-7, Ricky Carmichael Daytona Amateur

Supercross Championship

March 10-11, AMA Flat Track ► March 12, Daytona 200, AMA Pro Racing

▶ July 1, Subway Jalapeno 250, Nationwide Senes

▶ July 2, Coke Zero 400, Sprint Cup Series

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

PETTY MOTORSPORTS



Petty Motorsports, led by NASCAR Hall of Famer Richard Petty, at left with his son Kyle, has a history of titles in the family. Petty's two teams, headed by A.J. Allmendinger and Marcos Ambrose look to start hot and have great seasons in the Sprint Cup Series.

Good Times Alleau Al Pelly

Allmendinger, Ambrose looking for big seasons in 2011

By Monte Dutton

Kevin Harvick has every reason to

revere the Daytona 500, having won it in

2007 and finished second in 2009. He also

This is not just an-

other race track," he

said. This is our big-

gest race. This is what

the backbone of our

sport is on a week-to-

week basis ... There's

no comparing it to any

other race.

A lot of people talk about the Brick-

yard (Indianapolis), and you look at the

Daytona 500 and the Brickyard, and

there's no comparison to those two,

either. From a driver's standpoint,

there's nothing like rolling to the green

flag at the Daytona 500 because you

have a whole winter of anticipation,

you have your shiniest, best new car,

everybody has got everything brand

new, and it's the best that anybody will

The answer? The Wood Brothers have

Bill Elliott's limited schedule is with

abandoned the recent habit of putting

be prepared for the whole season."

veterans in their No. 21 Fords.

won the summer race last year.

Petty Enterprises won 10 championships in what is now known as the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series, a total matched by the modern dynamo. Hendrick Motorsports

But all 10 of the Petty Enterprises titles came with men named Petty behind the wheel. Richard Petty won seven championships, while his father. Lee, won three Richard Petty's last championship occurred in 1979.

The team currently known as Richard Petty Motorsports is descended from Petty Enterprises but is no longer wholly owned by the family. The current team. recently reconfigured once again in terms of ownership, has roots in Petty Enterprises (268 Cup victories). Robert Yates Racing (57) and Gillett Evernham Motor-

Kasey Kahne won twice in 2009 while employed at the team, but he has moved on to Team Red Bull this year and is headed for Hendrick Motorsports in 2012. A year ago. Richard Petty Motorsports entered four Fords in each Cup race. Kahne, A.J. Allmendinger, Paul Menard and Elliott Sacor. Menard has since moved to Richard Childress Racing, and Sadler is scheduled to compete in the Camping World Truck Series.

Allmendinger, who finished 19th in the 2010 Sprint Cup standings, is back, along with newcomer Marcos Ambrose, who was 26th. The team, no longer associated with previous principal owner George Gillett, will field only two Fords this year.

Petty regained control of the team and managed to acquire new investors. The decline of Gillett's business empire created hardships, particularly during the latter half of the 2010 season.

Allmendinger hopes, and believes, that smaller will

This team has had a lot of good resources, but it was just spread too thin." he said. "Obviously we went through a rough time at the end of last year that we fought through. and hopefully we are better because of that. We are more funded now, and more money helps.

Ambrose, the Australian driver previously at JTG Daugherty Motorsports, said: "We need to win, no doubt about it. We expect to win. ... If we can win races and be consistent, then you never know what is

It appears that Harvick is crazy about the 500

FEUD OF THE WEEK 11 1-11

CARL EDWARDS VS. NASCAR OFFICIALS

Brad Keselowski and Paul Menard share Edwards' pain because all three drivers had been planning to compete for the Nationwide Series championship, and now that title is effectively limited to drivers who "declare" for the championship. Drivers get to choose only one. and that choice is a no-brainer for those who ete regularly in Sprint Cup. NASCAR This Week's Monte Dutton

gives his take: "Something needed to be done in behalf of the Nationwide Series 'special ists," but if the series championship fails to win a race, it will detract from the prestige associated: with winning a title.

Know Your NASCAR

Who was the first commissioner of NASCAR? 2. Who was the first woman driver to compete in a NASCAR Cup race?

3. Where was the first Cup race west of the Mississippi River run?

4. Where was the first Cup road race held? 5. Who won the final race on Daytona Beach's old beach/road course?

6. What was the estimated crowd at the first Daytona 500 in 1959?

7. When did driver and chief communicate via two-way radio?

8. Who was the first woman car owner to win

9. When was the first fuel cell implemented? 10. When did NASCAR run its most recent

11. Who was the first NASCAR driver to:

qualify at over 200 mph?

12. What was the date of NASCAR's first race at Indianapolis Motor Sp

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5. Paul Goldsmith, Feb. 23, 1958. 4 Linden (LN) Aimort 1954 Canell Speedway, Gardena, Calif., 1951 Sara Christian Ewin G. (Cannonball) Baker

FAN TIPS Darnell honored for work

The National Motorsports Press Association NMPA) named Denny Damell as recipient of the Ken Patterson Helping Others Award. The award is named after the Talladega Superspeedway public-relations director who died in 2004 from complications of myelodysplasia syndrome Damell heads up Dodge Motorsports' trackside NASCAR program and is entering his 37th year motorsports. He has worked in the past for the National Hot Rod Association and R.J. Reynolds' Sports Marketing Enterprises.





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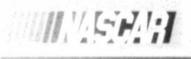
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NUTS AND BOLTS



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lames Finch's team and owners Eddie and Len Wood have cast their lot for 17 races with Trevor

Bayne, who turns 20 the day before the 500. "For one thing, he is very mature for his age,"

said Eddie Wood. One would hope.

"He is very aware of what it takes tobe a race-car driver in the Sprint Cup series," the co-owner added. "I think he understands that really well. He is just really good with his feedback in the race car and all-around is really ready to go racing, in every single aspect."

Clinging for now — Carl Edwards can't win the Nationwide Series championship, thanks to a new NASCAR rule requiring that drivers be eligible for a championship in only one of the three major series. Edwards insisted, though not with much apparent certainty, that he still intends to compete in every race.

"I am going to start with the No. 60 team. running every race," he said. "We are going to start that way, see how it goes, and we still



Though not eligible for the Nationwide Championship anymore, Carl Edwards says he will run every race for the No. 60 car. Edwards says he's still got the owner's championship to race for.

have the owner championship to go for and all those wins to race for.

Developing trend - It appears likely that most tracks will move to qualifying the day before races. Martinsville and Pocono have made announcements, and others have listed the change on schedules. Not all will change. It appears that the third race, in Las Vegas, will mark the first with qualifying run on Enday before a Sunday race.

LEGENDS AND LORE

Junior Johnson's track

For obvious reasons, NASCAR races at North Wilkesboro (N.C.) Speedway were special to the legendary Junior Johnson, who gave Ford its 200th Cup (then Grand National) victory at the track in 1965. "It's my home territory. I grew up around here," he said. "The speedway was a big part of me getting into racing because, with hauling moonshine like I was doing back in those days, hearing people talk about this guy outrunning that guy, I felt like I had cars that were better and faster than anybody and I sure didn't give in to anybody being a better driver than I was, so (the track) is basically a race car drivers' dream for me." The track last hosted a NASCAR race in 1996.

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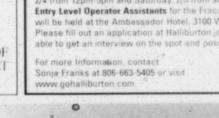
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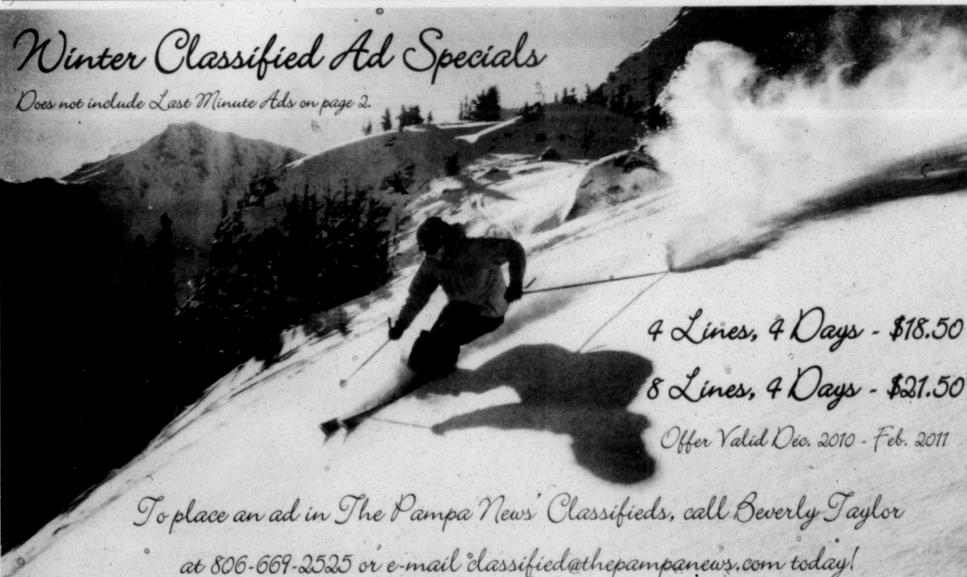
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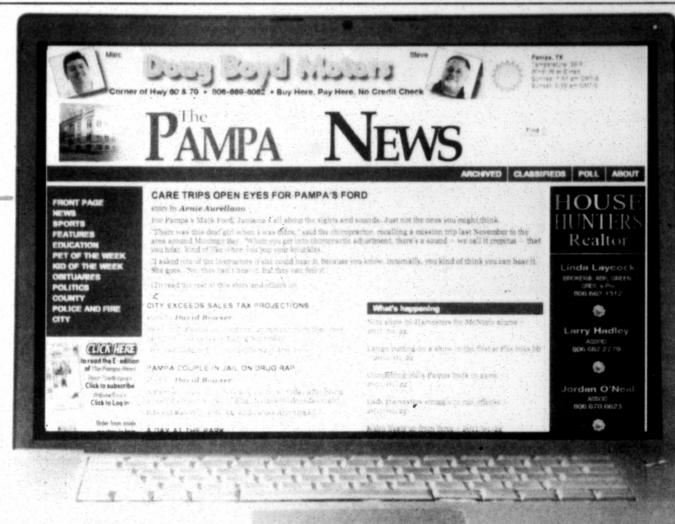
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