

PAMPA FORECAST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
20%	20%	20%
High 97 Low 87	High 95 Low 82	High 95 Low 85

Saturday Night: Mostly clear with a low around 84. Windy with a south-southwest wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Sunday: A 25 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 7 p.m. Mostly sunny and hot, with a high near 97. Windy with a south-southwest wind between 15 and 25 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph.

Sunday Night: A 25 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy with a low around 87. Windy with a south wind between 20 and 30 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph.

Memorial Day: A 25 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny with a high near 95. Windy with a south wind between 20 and 30 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy with a low around 82. Windy with a south wind 25 to 30 mph becoming west 15 to 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Tuesday: A 25 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny with a high near 98. Breezy with a north wind 15 to 15 mph becoming southeast. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph.

Tuesday Night: Mostly cloudy with a low around 85. Windy with a south-southeast wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 30 mph.

Library

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back to the library, and they'll trade their hours in for points. They can spend those points in our library store, where they can buy cool little toys and things."

With the summer program gaining steam every year, the library is looking forward to a big response, Rollins added.

"We had about 1286 kids signed up last year, and we had an average of 150 every day," Rollins said. "It's growing every year, so I'm expecting even more kids than that this year."

The program's popularity has been great as witness from the library's standpoint, Rollins said.

"The purpose of the summer reading program is to keep kids reading throughout the summer," she said. "A lot of times, they don't read any when school's out, and then when they go back to school, they're behind a little bit from where they were when they left school. The more they read during the summer, the better chance they have that reading level up and even improve it."

The library will also be starting

its middle school reading program, which will be on Mondays from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. from June 6 to July 5.

This program is open to junior high and high school kids, Rollins said, with the schedule consisting of educational computer games, reading short stories and discussing and reflecting on the literature.

"It's really to improve reading comprehension," said Rollins.

For more information, call the Lovett Memorial Library, 806-669-5780.

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AFTERNOONRUSH Perry on presidency: "I'll think about it"

Death row inmate loses appeal

HOUSTON (AP) - A convicted killer has lost an appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court to put off his execution set for next week in Huntsville for a slaying in Dallas more than two decades ago.

Lawyers for 42-year-old Gayland Bradford asked the high court for a reprieve and a rehearing on an appeal turned down earlier by the justices. The court, in a one-paragraph order Friday, refused both requests.

Bradford faces lethal injection Wednesday for the death of 29-year-old Brian Williams during the December 1988 robbery of a Dallas grocery store. Williams was on his second day on the job there as a security guard. Bradford and a partner fled with \$7.

Bradford was 20 at the time and on parole. He'd be the fourth Texas inmate executed this year.

US rig count up, led by Texas

HOUSTON (AP) - The number of rigs actively exploring for oil and natural gas in the U.S. rose by 17 this week to 1,847 from a week ago.

Baker Hughes Inc., based in Houston, reported Friday that 958 rigs were exploring for oil and 881 for gas. Eight were listed as miscellaneous. A year ago, the count was 1,535.

Of the major oil- and gas-producing states, Texas gained 16 rigs, New Mexico and Arkansas each added two and Oklahoma increased its numbers by one. Louisiana lost the most rigs, dropping by four, while California, Wyoming and North Dakota each lost one.

Alaska, Colorado, Pennsylvania and West Virginia remained unchanged. The rig count peaked at 4,530 in 1981, the height of the oil boom. A record low of 488 was counted in 1999.

Parts of TX no longer in drought

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) - A portion of northeast Texas got enough rain in the past week or so that it is no longer in any stage of drought.

The U.S. Drought Monitor map released Thursday shows that 2.3 percent of the state fell out of drought, the first time in two months that any part of Texas had such a distinction.

The map also shows less of the state in exceptional drought - the worst stage. About 44 percent of the state is in exceptional drought, down from about 48 percent last week.

Conditions in East Texas improved from exceptional drought to extreme drought.

The historic drought has already cost Texas farmers and ranchers about \$1.5 billion.

Tougher cockfighting law passed

AUSTIN (AP) - The Texas Legislature has approved a measure to bolster punishments for including possible jail time - for participating in cockfighting activities.

The final version of the bill was approved by the House Thursday and now goes to Gov. Rick Perry.

It makes it a state jail felony to knowingly cause a rooster to fight, earn money from fights or operate a facility for them. State jail felonies are punishable by up to two years in prison and fines up to \$10,000.

The measure also makes owning or training a cock for fighting a misdemeanor, and attending a fight as a spectator a lesser misdemeanor, while making it illegal to build or sell cockfighting equipment.

Newborn bill passes legislature

AUSTIN (AP) - The Texas Legislature has passed a bill requiring the state to obtain parental permission before storing a newborn's blood sample for possible research.

The House on Thursday approved changing how parents give the Department of State Health services permission to use a baby's blood sample for anything other than a disease screening. The bill requires parents to opt-in, rather than opt-out of the screening.

The bill now goes to Gov. Rick Perry. It also prevents the department from releasing information that could identify the child.

If records or other information don't disclose the child or family's identity, they can be released without consent for statistical purposes. The commissioner of the department and an institutional review board would have to approve use of a blood sample in any public health programs.

VA allows 'Jesus Christ'

HOUSTON (AP) - The U.S. Veterans Affairs Department will allow a pastor to utter the name Jesus Christ in a Memorial Day invocation at Houston National Cemetery after he sued the agency, accusing it of censorship.

The agency's attorney informed U.S. District Judge Lynn Hughes of the decision on Friday.

Hughes had warned the agency Thursday it could not "gag citizens," saying free expression includes everything from "Abraham Lincoln's speeches to Charlie Sheen's rants."

The Houston Chronicle reports Rev. Scott Rainey has invoked Jesus Christ's name in invocations at the cemetery during the last two Memorial Day services.

Last month, cemetery officials directed him to make the prayer "inclusive of all beliefs" and "non-denominational." Rainey sued to keep the VA from censoring his prayer.

Day care seeks bond reduction

HOUSTON (AP) - An attorney for a woman charged with murder in the deaths of four children in a fire at her Houston home day care center has tried to reduce her \$1.1 million bond by telling a judge she tried to save lives.

Attorney Mike DeGeurin tried to bolster his claim at the Friday hearing by implying during questioning of a fire investigator that Jessica Tata risked her life by going into the house to try to save the children Feb. 24.

DeGeurin is arguing that Tata's bail is illegally excessive and asking for a reduction to \$50,000.

Prosecutor Steve Baldassano portrayed Tata as a deceptive person who lied about being in shock and kept authorities at bay until she fled to Nigeria just before charges were filed against her.

APRIL CASTRO
Associated Press

AUSTIN (AP) - Texas Gov. Rick Perry, the longest serving chief executive in the state's history and a politician who has never lost an election, said Friday he will consider seeking the Republican nomination for president.

The outspoken conservative, who for months said he wasn't interested in running for the White House, said he will consider entering the race after the Texas Legislature adjourns Monday.

"I'm going to think about it," Perry said. "I think about a lot of things."

It was a stark reversal from his previous insistence that he would not seek the presidency, and one that could shake-up the GOP race. Perry would enter with unquestioned conservative bona fides and a proven fundraising record, adding a fresh voice to a field narrowed by the decisions of Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour and Indiana Gov. Mitch Daniels not to run.

Perry has been the center of a presidential buzz during the past week, kicked up as many Republicans lamented the remaining slate of candidates vying

for the opportunity to challenge President Barack Obama. The talk increased last week after his speech to Republican insiders in Dallas won rave reviews. Conservative radio host Rush Limbaugh spent 20 minutes on his talk show a few days later espousing Perry's appeal as a candidate.

When asked about the race before Friday, Perry had said repeatedly he was focused on the state's legislative session and not the 2012 race. He reiterated Friday that his focus is on Texas, but answered with a swift "yes sir" when asked if he would consider running for president once the session was over.

"There is a huge opening (in) the Republican presidential primary for someone with strong credentials with the tea party and social conservatives," said Mark McKinnon, a longtime political consultant and former George W. Bush political adviser. "Rick Perry has great credentials with both, he's the longest serving governor in Texas history and is about to finish what conservatives will view as a very successful legislative session because he balanced the budget through spending cuts."

"The only real question

is: Why wouldn't he run?"

So far, operatives in Perry's circle are not laying the groundwork and he has yet to make the required trips to the early nominating states of Iowa, New Hampshire or South Carolina. And later Friday, Perry spokesman Mark Miner tried to downplay the comments.

"Of course he thinks about it, it's natural to think about it," Miner said. "But that doesn't change the fact that he has no intention of running."

When asked by The Associated Press if Perry himself would be willing to say he has "no intention" of running, Miner refused to make him available. He later said the governor was in meetings and unavailable.

Perry has been a darling of the tea party and could ignite a groundswell of support among the libertarian-leaning, anti-tax movement. He was an early endorser of the groups that helped Republicans take control of the U.S. House, statehouses and governors' offices in 2010.

The loosely organized tea party movement hasn't yet gelled around a candidate, despite efforts from declared candidates Tim Pawlenty and Newt

Gingrich to win them over.

"The candidates that are running are not the candidates that people want," said Ryan Hecker, organizer of the Contract From America and member of the Houston Tea Party Society. "They're looking for someone, almost wistfully."

Perry, Hecker said, "would be an excellent addition to the field."

In recent years, Perry has made a sport out of bashing Washington. Most often, he attacks the federal government for failing to secure the U.S. border with Mexico. In November, he published a book, "Fed Up!", which describes the federal government as financially reckless and out of control while calling for a resurgence of state-based power.

Should he decide to run, Perry would presumably come to the table without at least one of the top advisers who helped him win re-election last year by 13 points. His campaign manager from that bid, Rob Johnson, is with Gingrich. Political adviser Dave Carney, a former aide to President Ronald Reagan, also is with Gingrich - although he still serves as Perry's senior political strategist.

Death during Dallas storm blamed on electrocution

DALLAS (AP) - The powerful thunderstorms that unleashed large hail and tornadoes on parts of North Texas this week caused the electrocution death of a Dallas man, medical officials ruled Thursday, and insurance experts said they expect damage claims could reach \$300 million.

The body of Robert Ragan, 35, of Dallas, was found Wednesday morning near a downed power line outside a storm-damaged apartment complex in Dallas. The Dallas County Medical Examiner's Office ruled his death was an accidental electrocution and attributed it to the storm.

The storm spawned at

least eight confirmed tornadoes Tuesday in the Dallas-Fort Worth area and pelted the metropolitan area with hail as large, in some cases, as softballs. Hundreds of people remained without power Thursday, and some airlines canceled flights because of damaged planes.

The timing of the storm - hitting toward the end of the

evening rush hour, meaning more cars were exposed - couldn't have been much worse for property damage, said Jerry Johns, president of the Austin-based Southwestern Insurance Information Service. The industry expects between \$200 million to \$300 million in damage claims, he said.

"This was a rather shock-

ing storm for the insurance industry," he said.

And many homeowners may not realize the extent of their roof damage until the next rain exposes it, Johns said. He urged homeowners not to immediately hire door-to-door roofers soliciting their business, but suggested screening them and checking their references carefully.

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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Saturday, May 28, the 148th day of 2011. There are 217 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 28, 1961, the human rights group Amnesty International had its beginnings in the form of an article by lawyer Peter Benenson that was published in the British newspaper The Observer. Titled "The Forgotten Prisoners," the essay called for mobilizing public opinion to defend "prisoners of conscience" worldwide.

On this date:

In 1533, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Thomas Cranmer, declared the marriage of England's King Henry VIII to Anne Boleyn valid.

In 1863, the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, made up of freed blacks, left Boston to fight for the Union in the Civil War.

In 1892, the Sierra Club was organized in San Francisco.

In 1934, the Dionne quintuplets - Annette, Cecile, Emilie, Marie and Yvonne - were born to Elzire Dionne at the family farm in Ontario, Canada.

In 1937, Neville Chamberlain became prime minister of Britain.

In 1940, during World War II, the Belgian army surrendered to invading German forces.

In 1959, the U.S. Army launched Able, a rhesus monkey, and Baker, a squirrel monkey, aboard a Jupiter missile for a suborbital flight which both primates survived.

In 1972, Prince Edward, the Duke of Windsor, who had abdicated the English throne to marry Wallis Warfield Simpson, died in Paris at age 77.

In 1985, David Jacobsen, director of the American University Hospital in Beirut, Lebanon, was abducted by pro-Iranian kidnappers (he was freed 17 months later).

Ten years ago: President George W. Bush honored America's veterans with the Memorial Day signing of legislation to construct a World War II monument on the National Mall.

Five years ago: Pope Benedict XVI visited the Auschwitz concentration camp in Poland.

One year ago: President Barack Obama visited Grand Isle, La., where he personally confronted the spreading damage wrought by the crude gushing into the Gulf of Mexico - and the bitter anger rising onshore.

Today's Birthdays: Rockabilly singer-musician Sonny Burgess is 82. Actress Carroll Baker is 80. Producer-director Irwin Winkler is 80. Actor John Karlen is 78. Actress Beth Howland is 70. Former New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani is 67. Singer Gladys Knight is 67. Actress-director Sondra Locke is 67. Singer Billy Vera is 67. Singer John Fogerty is 66. Country musician Jerry Douglas (Alison Krauss and Union Station) is 55. Actor Brandon Cruz ("The Courtship of Eddie's Father") is 49. Country singer Phil Vassar is 49. Actress Christa Miller is 47. Singer-musician Chris Ballew (Presidents of the USA) is 46. Singer Kylie Minogue is 43. Actor Justin Kirk is 42. Television personality Elisabeth Hasselbeck ("The View") is 34. Actor Jesse Bradford is 32. Actress Monica Keena is 32. Actress Carey Mulligan is 26. Actor Joseph Cross is 25.

Thought for Today: "All the troubles of man come from his not knowing how to sit still." - Blaise Pascal, French philosopher (1623-1662)



MAYBE THE BEST WAY TO HONOR THE FALLEN...
...WOULD BE TO FIND MORE WAYS TO NOT SEND OTHERS TO JOIN THEM.

There is nothing to do in Pampa...wrong!

There's Nothing to do in Pampa... If someone had said that to me last Saturday evening, I think I would have punched them—if I'd had the strength. What with the Meals On Wheels Walk/Run, donating blood, the Bike Rodeo (good job Stormy!), checking out a new business (more on that later), a wedding, a reception, the Saturday special at Heard Jones, and watching the tank come in to Freedom Museum, I we were bushed!

Built for Speed...

At the MOW Run/Walk, I chose to walk—I only run if there's a compelling reason, such as being chased. However I pitied folks like Jack and Sherry McCavit with their flat stomachs. That must create a lot of wind resistance! Fortunately, I have an aerodynamic body style with a gently protruding "grill" like a '51 Hudson.

There's SOMETHING NEW to do in Pampa... Your kids and grandkids enjoy those bounce houses that are all the rage at parties and park events. Now they don't have to wait for a party! The Bounce Zone is a brand new entertainment option in the 500 block of West Foster. Come by for the Grand Opening on Saturday—register for hourly giveaways and grab a hot dog. See all the Bounce Zone has to offer—not only the bounce equipment, but party rooms, concessions, and special events for teens, too!

Serendipity

This has been a week for unexpected encounters. One morning I went to the hospital for breakfast (great food and a great value!) and ran into Thelma Bray and her sister Velma Lard, who introduced me to her daughter Sharon. (Dicky McGuire of KGRO and the Bounce Zone was also there.) We had a great visit about what Pampa was, what it

Chamber Music



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is, and what it can be. Thelma is one of the greatest assets any community could possibly have—I'm glad she's ours!

Being in Amarillo for a test I didn't need to study for (it involved a cup), I took the opportunity to visit Shelly Shelhamer, recovering from a bone fracture. I had a nice visit with him, his wife, and son Jim.

Thursday afternoon was time for a visit with local businesses and I had promised Lonny Fowler that I would visit Fowler Access on Price Rd. As luck would have it, he was not in, but I got to meet Myrel Looper, the founder and original owner of Looper Fence Co.

Crossing the street ...

...to Top O' Texas Oilfield Service, I had hoped to catch Jerrod Imel, but instead got Davee Smith. That was good, because we often see each other, but mostly in passing, too busy to exchange more than pleasantries. Davee explained to me that Top O' Texas provides the materials, expertise, and labor to see that oil and gas wells continue to produce. When I mentioned that I had just called on Fowler Access, Davee proceeded to tell me how much they liked the Fowler gates that Top O' Texas had purchased, not only here but in their other location in Atoka, Oklahoma. Finally, at Dr. Jay Johnson's birth-

day party I looked up to see an old friend from Dumas, a colleague of Jay's—David Bonner and his wife Gayla, with whom we had a nice conversation.

Wanna buy a cow?

Mootilda, the Chamber's giant inflatable cow, is for sale. Other than a little dirt she is in great shape and comes with everything necessary to make her work for you—fan, fan tent, nylon straps. Call 669-3241 for more details.

What's in a name?

More names from the "Fraternal Herald": Delmer Wondercheck. I love that name. It sounds like a superhero from Czechoslovakia. "Delmer the Wonder Czech—able to leap tall kolaches at a single bound!"

Garry Tubbesing. Not me. I sing in the shower—I read in the "tubbe." Beth Ann Atz. A few weeks ago, someone told me of an acquaintance whose surname was Elbow. There's something to be said here about knowing the Atz from the Elbow, but I'm not sure what it is.

Remember...

Monday is Memorial Day. The Chamber will be closed, as will many businesses around the area. If you get the day off, make sure you spend a little time remembering the soldiers, sailors, marines, and airmen who have fought for our freedom to HAVE a three-day weekend! I know I'll spend a little time remembering a guy who defended airbases in Australia, New Guinea, and the Philippines from Japanese bombers (but then, not many days without me thinking of him, anyway.)

Joe Weaver is the Executive Director of the Pampa Chamber of Commerce.

Billionaires are different from you and me

Billionaires are different from you and me, for obvious reasons, including the fact that they buy much pricier baubles than we do.

A sleek car costing \$100,000? Why, for them, that's just an easy impulse purchase. A few million bucks for a Matisse original? Go ahead -- it'll liven up the hallway. How about throwing a fat wad of cash at a university to get an academic chair named for you? Sure, it's all part of the fun of living in BillionaireLand.

Then there is the top crust of the upper-crust -- such megalomaniacal megabillionaires as the Koch brothers. Using money from their industrial conglomerate, their foundation and their personal fortunes, these two far-out, laissez-faire extremists are literally buying public policy. Their purchases of everything from politicians to the tea party help them push the privatization of all things public and the elimination of pesky regulations and taxes that crimp their style.

To advance their plutocratic privatization cause, brother Charles has even gone on a shopping spree for an invaluable bauble that most of us didn't even know was for sale: academic freedom. And it's surprisingly cheap! For only \$1.5 million, Koch bought

a big chunk of the economics department of Florida State University a couple of years ago. His donation gives him control of a new "academic" program at this public institution to indoctrinate students in his self-serving political theories.

The billionaire gets to screen all applicants, veto any he deems insufficiently ideological, and sign off on all new hires. Also, the department head must submit yearly reports to Koch about the faculty's speeches, publications and classes, and he evaluates the faculty based on "objectives" that he sets.

Charles has made similar purchases of academic freedom at two other state universities, Clemson and West Virginia. Also, in a May 20 piece at Alternet.org, investigative researcher Lee Fang reveals that Koch has paid \$419,000 to buy into Brown University's "political theory project," \$3.6 million to establish Troy University's "center for political economy" and \$700,000 for a piece of Utah State's Huntsman School of Business, which now has the "Charles G. Koch Professor of Political Economy."

Imagine the screams of outrage we'd hear from the Kochs if a labor

union were doing this.

A recent article in The Onion, the satirical news-weekly, printed a downsized-big-government spoof that Charles and David would love to turn into reality. The parody disclosed that President Obama had come up with a surefire plan to balance the federal budget: Rob Fort Knox! "I've got the blueprints," Obama is quoted as saying, "and I think I found a way out through a drainage pipe."

Unfortunately, with today's political climate dominated by howling winds from the far-right fringe, there's no longer any room in American culture for satire. Sure enough, some laissez-faire extremists at such Koch-funded corporate fronts as Cato Institute and Heritage Foundation are presently howling for the government to sell all of America's gold stored in Fort Knox. Noting that we have billions worth of bullion in the vaults, a fellow from Heritage made this keen observation: "It's just sort of sitting there."

Uh, yeah, professor. Like Mount Rushmore, the Grand Canyon, the Lincoln Memorial and other national

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Texas A&M chairman: 7 solutions becoming 'distraction'

COLLEGE STATION (AP) - Campus unrest over proposed Texas higher education reforms calling for scrutinizing faculty productivity and splitting teaching and research budgets has become a distraction, the chairman of the Texas A&M University System board of regents said Thursday.

The proposals known as the "7 breakthrough solutions" - and mocked by some as the "7 deadly sins of higher education" - have reverberated throughout Texas. Academics and some state lawmakers have volleyed pointed criticism at a conservative think tank driving the reforms, which Gov. Rick Perry has supported.

Box, speaking to a packed room at the first A&M regents meeting since chancellor Mike McKinney announced his resignation this month, said too much has been made of the proposals.

"As best I understand, they're simply suggestion," Box said. "A potential framework for a conversation, but they also have become a distraction from the important conversation."

The reforms are advanced by the Texas Public Policy Foundation. Striking the biggest nerve among faculty and prominent alumni is the group's take that some kinds of academic research - such as, say, esoteric studies offering another interpretation of Shakespeare - may not be the best use of taxpayer dollars on public campuses.

Professors at both Texas A&M University and the University of Texas at Austin, the state's flagship campuses, have also resisted efforts to quantify their productivity. Last year, A&M was rebuked by top higher education groups after compiling a spreadsheet of faculty that showed who generated revenue and who didn't.

The debate comes amid efforts to rein in tuition costs throughout Texas and improve graduation rates. More than 800 A&M faculty members this week signed an online petition asking the regents to clarify their intentions when it comes to the Texas Public Policy Foundation's proposals.

Box, wasting no time addressing what's become a source of intensifying contention, opened the meeting emphasizing that A&M was committed to research.

"Anything that interferes with excellence in research, I will vigorously oppose," Box said.

It was Box's first public comments since McKinney announced that he would retire in July. Emails and some lawmakers have indicated McKinney may have grown unpopular because A&M was slow to embrace the proposed reforms.

Mural of Alamo battle awaits new home

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Tony Sheets rescued his father's iconic San Antonio mural depicting the Battle of the Alamo but hopes it won't be the painting's last stand.

Earlier this week, Sheets carefully took down "The Death of Travis" mural that his late father painted in 1967 for the old Travis Savings and Loan Building and placed it in

storage. The oil-on-canvas painting by noted California artist and architectural designer Millard Sheets is 20 feet tall and 32 feet wide. It's now awaiting a permanent home.

Heritage Auction Galleries in Dallas conservatively valued the mural at \$200,000 to \$400,000.

"This definitely is a

very important work," said Kirsty Buchanan, the auction house's consignement director for fine art.

It's one of about 150 murals created by Millard Sheets, who died in 1989.

"I sat on the scaffolding with him when he painted some of these, so it's like being back with him again," Tony Sheets told

the *San Antonio Express-News*.

He said the Travis mural is "pretty much akin to San Antonio. It's a great example of dad's work."

The downtown building in which it was showcased for 44 years was also designed by Millard Sheets.

Saddle

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making from acclaimed Silver City, N.M., saddler A.D. Seitzler.

Errington soon earned a strong reputation of his own, crafting saddles in California as well as locally in Clarendon and Amarillo. While in California, Errington built saddles for celebrities such as actor Leo Carrillo of the TV series, "The Cisco Kid," and actor/singer Allan Jones. Errington died in December of 1984.

During its search for samples from local saddlers, the PPHM contacted George, a former president of the museum. As it turned out, the Arrington twins (no relation to Errington) had each commissioned a saddle from Errington in the 1980s.

They donated Bill's saddle, emblazoned with the rocking chair brand the Arringtons have been using since 1882, in memory of their grandfather, George Washington "Cap" Arrington. The saddle is in perfect condition, Bill said, unused save for a one-week cattle-driving period after a thief had stolen some of his regular riding saddles.

How did the brothers decide which of their sentimentally valued saddles to donate to the museum? They flipped for it.

"We flipped a coin," Arrington laughed. "I can't remember what we paid for

it (at the time). I think it was about \$1,600 for the saddle, so George gave me \$800 so we could both give it to the museum... George has his on a rack in his game room and he's never put his on a horse."

Arrington said that, though he's sad to see the Errington leave his personal collection, he's excited to be able to contribute a piece of Western heritage that future generations can enjoy.

"You bet it's important to me," Arrington said. "It's on permanent display so people can see it for a long time. It's a piece of history around here."

Sunday in History

Tomorrow is Sunday, May 29, the 149th day of 2011. There are 216 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On May 29, 1953, Mount Everest was conquered as Edmund Hillary of New Zealand and Tensing Norgay of Nepal became the first climbers to reach the summit.

On this date:

In 1765, Patrick Henry denounced the Stamp Act before Virginia's House of Burgesses.

In 1790, Rhode Island became the 13th original colony to ratify the United States Constitution.

In 1848, Wisconsin became the 30th state of the union.

In 1911, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled the American Tobacco Co. was in violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act.

In 1917, the 35th president of the United States, John F. Kennedy, was born in Brookline, Mass.

In 1932, World War I veterans began arriving in Washington to demand cash bonuses they weren't scheduled to receive until 1945.

In 1943, Norman Rockwell's portrait of "Rosie the Riveter" appeared on the cover of *The Saturday Evening Post*.

In 1961, a couple in Paynesville, W.Va., became the first recipients of food stamps under a pilot program created by President John F. Kennedy.

In 1973, Tom Bradley was elected the first black mayor of Los Angeles, defeating incumbent Sam Yorty.

In 1985, 39 people were killed at the European Cup Final in Brussels, Belgium, when rioting broke out and a wall separating British and Italian soccer fans collapsed.

Ten years ago: Four followers of Osama bin Laden were convicted in New York of a global conspiracy to murder Americans, including the 1998 bombings of two U.S. embassies in Africa that killed 224 people. (All were sentenced to life in prison.) President George W. Bush, meeting in Los Angeles with California Gov. Gray Davis, rejected a plea for federal caps on soaring electricity bills. The Supreme Court ruled that disabled golfer Casey Martin could use a cart to ride in tournaments.

Five years ago: A car bomb exploded in Baghdad, killing U.S. Army Capt. James Alex Funkhouser Jr., two British members of a CBS News crew, Paul Douglas and James Brolan, plus an Iraqi interpreter, and also seriously injuring CBS correspondent Kimberly Dozier. A U.S. military truck crashed into traffic in Kabul, Afghanistan, killing five people and sparking violent protests across the country that claimed some 20 lives.

One year ago: Dennis Hopper, the high-flying Hollywood wildman whose memorable career included an early turn in "Rebel Without a Cause" and an improbable smash hit with "Easy Rider," died in Los Angeles at age 74. Philadelphia's Roy Halladay threw the 20th perfect game in major league history, beating the Florida Marlins 1-0.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Clifton James is 90. Former Baseball Commissioner Fay Vincent is 73. Race car driver Al Unser is 72. CBS News Correspondent Bob Simon is 70. Actor Kevin Conway is 69. Actor Helmut Berger is 67. Rock singer Gary Brooker (Procol Harum) is 66. Actor Anthony Geary is 64. Singer Rebbie (ree-bee) Jackson is 61. Movie composer Danny Elfman is 58. Rock musician Michael Porcaro (Toto) is 56. Singer LaToya Jackson is 55. Actor Ted Levine is 54. Actress Annette Bening is 53. Actor Rupert Everett is 52. Actor Adrian Paul is 52. Singer Melissa Etheridge is 50. Actress Lisa Whelchel is 48. Actress Tracey Bregman is 48. Rock musician Noel Gallagher (Oasis) is 44. Singer Jayski McGowan (Quad City DJ's) is 44. Rock musician Chan Kinchla (Blues Traveler) is 42. Rock musician Mark Lee (Third Day) is 38. Cartoonist Aaron McGruder ("The Boondocks") is 37. Singer Melanie Brown (Spice Girls) is 36. Rapper Playa Poncho is 36. Actor Brandon Mychal Smith is 22.

Thought for Today: "I have seen what a laugh can do. It can transform almost unbearable tears into something bearable, even hopeful." - Bob Hope (born this date in 1903, died 2003).

Hightower

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assets -- being there is the point.

Yet these ivory tower ideologues are using the current brouhaha over the budget deficit as an opening to push their loopy fantasies of selling off all of America's public properties, facilities, systems and treasures to create a no-government, plutocratic paradise. Just spread our public goods out on tables, like a flea market from hell, and invite the global rich to buy it all.

For example, a fellow from another Koch-funded front, the American Enterprise Institute, observes that the government could raise billions of dollars to retire that pesky deficit simply by selling our interstate highway system. Americans would then have to pay tolls forever to the corporate owners, but hey, he exclaims, remember that tolls "work for the River Styx, why not the Beltway?"

What a perfect metaphor for privatization! In ancient mythology, dead souls must pay a toll to be ferried across the River Styx and enter the depths of hell.

Jim Hightower is a nationally syndicated columnist.



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Weekly Menus

Southside Senior Citizens

TUESDAY, May 31
Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, string beans, salad, roll, dessert.

Pampa Meals on Wheels

MONDAY, May 30
Closed for Memorial Day

TUESDAY, May 31
Corn dog, macaroni/cheese, pork beans, peaches

WEDNESDAY, June 1
Meatloaf, peas/carrots, potatoes casserole, pudding

THURSDAY, June 2
Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, green beans, sugarless cake

FRIDAY, June 3
Beef tips, cream corn, baked apple, cookies

Pampa Senior Citizens Center

MONDAY, May 30
Closed for Memorial Day

TUESDAY, May 31
Chicken fried steak or chicken/noodle/broccoli, mashed potatoes, peas, beets, beans, slaw, tossed salad, gelatin, carrot cake, chocolate sundae cup, fruit cup, hot roll or cornbread

WEDNESDAY, June 1
Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, green beans, carrots, beans, slaw, tossed salad, gelatin, Dreamsicle cake, butterscotch pie, fruit cup, hot roll or cornbread

THURSDAY, June 2
Chicken strips or mushroom smothered steak, sour cream potatoes, fried okra, corn, beans, slaw, tossed salad, gelatin, cinnamon rolls, cherry cobbler, fruit cup, hot roll or cornbread

FRIDAY, June 3
Cod fish filet/hushpuppies or beef stroganoff, potato wedges, broccoli casserole, beans, slaw, tossed salad, gelatin, brownies, tapioca cup, fruit cup, garlic breadstick, hot roll, cornbread

Summer Program - Lunch in the Park

WEDNESDAY, June 1
Mini twin cheeseburgers, carrot sticks, peach cup, milk

THURSDAY, June 2
Ham Sandwich, fresh fruit, juice, milk

FRIDAY, June 3
Hot do, pickle spears, mandarin orange cup, milk.

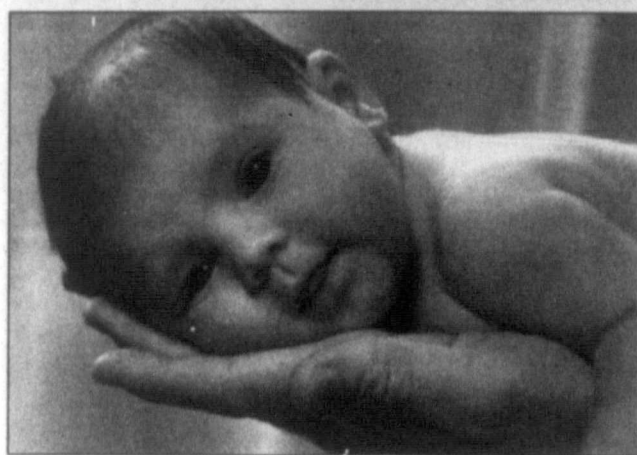
Summer Program - Lamar Elementary

WEDNESDAY, June 1
Taco salad or min twin cheeseburgers, pinto beans, corn, peach cup, Spanish rice.
Breakfast - Breakfast Pizza

THURSDAY, June 2
Riblets or ham sandwich, cheesy potatoes, broccoli florets, fresh fruit, hot roll
Breakfast - Scrambled egg and biscuit

FRIDAY, June 3
Chicken fajitas or hot dogs, french fries, refried beans, mixed fruit, Spanish rice
Breakfast - Cereal and toast

BUNDLES OF JOY



Della Grace Carolina Smith

Daughter joins Smith family

Della Grace Carolina was born to Jonathan and Elizabeth Smith on Sunday, April 17, 2011, at 12:23 a.m.

The baby weighed 6 pounds 10 ounces, and was 19 inches long.

Della's grandparents are Dale Sprinkle and the late Carol Sprinkle, and Herb and Lynn Smith, all of Pampa.

Della's great-grand-

mother is Mrs. Frances Hefley, and she was born on her great-grandmother's 90th birthday.

She is welcomed by many aunts, uncles and cousins, including Nathan and Trudy Sprinkle and Carter and Avery, Jared and Lynsey Smith and Kaylyn and Kendra, all of Pampa, and Steve and Renee Huffman and Austin and Erin of Amarillo.

CLUB NEWS

Daughters of the American Revolution meets in Miami

The Las Pampas Chapter of The Daughters of the American Revolution met May 5, 2011 in the home of Shirley and Carl Williamson in Miami. Twelve members attended the meeting.

The group was taken on a tour of their home. The home was built in 1913 and, first owned by the O'Laughlin family. They were the first family to settle in the Panhandle. The style of the house is called Prairie Victorian. The house is built with all red wood interior and is decorated with colorful wallpaper and unique antiques.

For the luncheon Mrs. Williamson served a Mexican dish called, "The King Ranch Casserole," for dessert, fruit and cheese

cake pizza.

The speaker was Mr. Delbert Trew. He spoke on, "The History of the Wooden Wagons."

The industry of wagon building was the largest industry in the U.S. before the automobile industry took over.

Nancy Coffee installed the new officers for next year. The officers were as follows, Omajean Lewis, historian and librarian; Donna Burger, registrar; Louisa Britten, treasurer; Kay Slate, secretary; Shirley Williamson, chaplain; Nancy Coffee, vice regent; Mary Cantrell, regent.

Guests at the meeting were Ruth Trew, Pauline Murphy and Dalton Lewis.

Hagerman graduates

Adam Joseph Hagerman taken at the recent graduation of the University of Texas at Austin.

Hagerman held the banner for the College of Fine Arts and led the graduates of that college into the Grand Convocation.

Hagerman graduated with two Bachelors of Arts degrees, one in Liberal Arts and the other in Fine Arts and was Phi Beta Kappa in both.

He was an honor graduate and also a member of Pampa High School's class of 2007.

He is the son of B. Jay Hagerman.

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Community

AUSTIN ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL

The following students were named to the Austin Elementary A Honor Roll 6th Six Weeks:

2nd Grade - Ruth Andrews, Jackson Bagwell, Haley Brock, Klaire Cambern, Kyler Cook, Emma Doucette, Caleb Ebenkamp, Seth Erickson, Denisse Gonzalez, Makala Graham, Jackson Hendricks, Joseph L'Esperance, Ruth Matthews, Mia McCracken, Allan Meadows, Marianna Nava, Tessa Potter, Thomas Reagan, Cole Salazar, Seth Smith, Jake Thomas, Justin Titus, Clayton Tucker.

3rd Grade - Preslee Alvey, Connor Anstey, Evan Boyd, Avery Cochran, Marcus Davila, Riley Elliff, Brock Ferguson, Jessica Gooch, Gabriel

Heiskell, Taylor Jefferis, William Karson, Kayla Monds, Nate Morales, Hunter Nicholas, Isaiah Nies, Kyleigh Plaster, Allison Pooley, Conner Scott, Wendy Servin, Kambry Smith, Cooper Trollinger, Julian Velasquez, Chase Weinette, Halie West.

4th Grade - Brenna Barrow, Jacey Baten, Emmarie Boykin, Braydon Burrell, Ashley Cerda, Jaxon Chaney, Brenden Courtney, Jacob Ebenkamp, Avery Hoganson, Brody Larkin, Jordan Littlefield, Taylor May, Kristin Meurer, Allie O'Brien, Karson Parnell, Keely Rex, Bethany Roden, David Syfrett, Esmeralda Torres, Jace Ware.

5th Grade - Sidney Armendariz, Jacob Barton, Garrett Bonner, Thomas Costley, Cierra Ditmore, Mason Eldridge, Seth

Langley, Thomas Meadows, Kade Parker, Destiny Peet, Evan Read, Alex Smith, Kaydan Stidham, Aspen Suyllivan, Michael Anthony Villarreal, Jarrett Ward, Rachel Wheeler.

AB Honor Roll

2nd Grade - Rieley Carroll, Chandler Coronis, Riley Devoll, Harold Horton, Kaitlyn King, Ky Parnell, Nataleigh Phillips, Emiley Porter, Hallie Sieck.

3rd Grade - Rebekah Andrews, Caitlyne Budd, Abigail DeLoach, McKenna Etheredge, Rylee Greenwell, Allyson Gutierrez, Haley Hancox, Maggie Hernandez, Jayden Holland, Kylee McMurrian, Ashlynn Mulanax,

Georgie Sue Osborne, Addison Smith, Seth Starnes, Andrew Stevens, Kellan Stokes, Emily Sutherland, Chae Ward.

4th Grade - Kaylee Chesher, Jace Clark, Trae Corley, James Davila, Cheyenne Gonzales, Jazmin Guzman, Bailey Knutson, Mason L'Esperance, Raven Lightfoot, Carlin Reed Jakan Reeves, Dalton Riggs, Cody Smith, Eduardo Soto, Garrison Stevens, Maizy True, Natalie Winborne.

5th Grade - Fernando Anguiano, Candace Courter, Madelane Cross, Angel Garcia Gonzalez, Brooke Hancox, Alexander Karson, Mateo Mosqueda, Reece Parker, Grayson Roberts.

WILSON ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL

The following students were named to the Honor Roll at Wilson Elementary School. The students are listed under their teacher's name.

2nd grade B. DeFever

Alicia Alvarado
Daijania Botello
Valerie Cano
Derrick Floyd
Ulises Guardado
Brooklyn Hood
Denim Kinnaman
Kambrie Neff
Casey Pacheco
Kloie Rankin
Shon Spafford
Luis Venzor
Isaiah Vigil

B. Poland

Ulysses Barrera
Tom Carver
Zoi Chaney
Aubrey Dorn
Raschell Gamez
Bryson Hood
Jose Lopez
Rebecca Marker
Aaron Mayberry
Lazarie Mayes
Braden McCullar
Isabella Munoz
Haylee Nelson
Danielle Poteet
Natalie Solis
Jose Urrutia
Janeth Ventura
Mason Zamudio

M. Roberson

Morgan Abshire
Austin Allen
Adrian Apodaca
Uriel Barrera
Kaleb Garrison
Gracie Hapeman
Alondra Hernandez
Haven Jenkins
Jamal Johnson
Kaydon Johnson
Jace Kalka
Dejah Kirklin
Katriena Luna
Ismael Martinez
Irya Perez
Daniella Rosalez
Cheyenne Slaughter
Nathan Whittley
McKennzie Willett

N. White

Jorge Gallardo
Edmar Hernandez
Ivan Mejia
Elvira Silva
Adriana Venzor

3rd Grade

M. Crowell

Mariah Campos
Tyson Crain
Mercedes Gonzales
Tori Gosselin
Autumn Hill
Destiney Loner
Sierra Long
Cash Manhart
Erik Molina
Fernando Perez
Caleb Rich
Liliana Rodriguez
Lesslie Ruiz
Ashlen Shorter
Eliasar Tinajero

L. Kephart

Morgan Beller
Christian Copado
Alejandra Hernandez
Cesar Jaime
Adamari Lopez
Layne Richards
London Rowell
Jarren Slagle
Avery Sprinkle
Angel Ventura

K. Murrath

Christa Cole
Xzavion Donehue
Andrea Eulloqui
Ashlyn Hill
Alexandria Keller
Jolaine Machado
Ryan Mayberry
Dreyton Pittman
Allie Rankin
Felicaty Taylor
Alexis Waycaster

M. Pletcher

Jesus Martinez
Guillermo Mier
Ismael Olivas
Kevin Quezada
Jesus Venzor

4th Grade

J. Campbell

Neida Anguiano
Jesus Quezada
Nancy Tello

T. Freelen

Aliyah Cazier
Caleb Dorn
Arianna Hart
Alex Mejia
Micah Rich
Paige Richards
Jaqueline Vaquera

A. Morehart

Sheyla Arreola
Michelle Carver
Kallie Harding
Rylee Parks
Juli-Anna Silva
Carter Sprinkle

M. Zamudio

Brittney Cuevas
Kortney Johnson
Estrella Longoria
Casandra Rodriguez
Jakob Wilson

5th Grade

K. Brown

Leslie Cera
Anthony Cruz
Matthew Dencklau
Megan Dickinson
Benji Foreman
Wendy Garcia
Ashley Hernandez
Elijah Longoria
Esmeralda Madrid
Juanita Olivarez
David Pena
Annel Segovia
Jordon Shook
Jaslynn Slagle
Emory Smith
Zack Trimble
Summer VanBuskirk
Jonathan Vargas
Isaac Villagrana
Jonae Whinery

P. Lash

Christian Aguilar
Brooklyn Alvarez
Greg Anguiano
Misael Belderrama
Corina Bernal
Collin Cazier
Hannah Chilton
Oscar Gonzalez
T.J. Harrison
Taelar Hostas
Cris Madrid
Molly Manhart
Keon Mathis
Samantha McCullar
Daniela Medina
Brenda Miranda
Sarai Murgado
Ileana Rivera
Matthew Thornton
Jonathan Valles
Yzrail Vasquez
Valentin Velasquez
Michel Willett

M. Stevens

Thomas Abshire
Justin Beller
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WEDDING BELLS



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son of Mr. and Mrs. Craig Cobb of Pampa.

Jerica graduated from Texas Tech and is employed by Unique Individuals. QB graduated from West Texas

State University and is employed by Tejas Feedyards.

A wedding is planned for June 11, 2011 at Three Falls Cove, Sanford, TX.

CLUB NEWS

Altrusa International elects officers

Altrusa International, Inc. of Pampa met May 24, 2011 at First United Methodist Church with President Allison Watson presiding.

Roxane Funderburk and Eileen Kludt served as greeters. Guests attending were Ann Franklin, Calvin Lacy and ASTRA Club members and guests as follows: Emily Terry, Elizabeth Terry, Maria Brito, Evan McElwain, Jacob Frost, Robin Doan, Alison Alexander, K'Lyn King, Diamond Maurifo, Jonathan Polasek, Ashley Price, Trevor McVey, Marie Rogers, Kelly and Tom McElwain, Bryan and Julia Frost, Milee Frost, Johnny Doan, Russ and Susan Alexander.

Judy Warner gave the Accent on the Altrusa International Foundation, a philanthropic corporation

established in 1962.

Perfect Attendance Awards were presented to Roxane Funderburk, Kitty Hall, Kerrick Horton, Rochelle Lacy, Mary McDaniel, Brenda Tucker, Allison Watson, Judy Warner, Terri Williams, Leona Willis, and Pat Johnson.

Kadda Schale installed the 2011-2012 club officers for ASTRA and Altrusa as follows:

ASTRA Club - President Elizabeth Terry, Vice President Jacob Frost, President Elect Robin Doan, Secretary Alison Alexander, Treasurer K'Lyn King, Public Relations Officer Diamond Maurifo

Altrusa Club - President Rochelle Lacy, Vice President Pat Johnson, Recording Sec. Kathryn Green, Corresponding Sec.

Sue Pribble, Treasurer Kay West, Foundation Treasurer Breanne Schwiegerath, Directors: Carolyn Kessel, Laura Martin, Sheila Winton, Evan Smith, Parliamentarian Myrna Orr.

Upon receiving the President's pin and gavel Rochelle Lacy presented Watson the past president's plaque. Lacy announced her theme and goals for the club year.

Eileen Kludt introduced Trevor McVey as the recipient of the Billie Dixon ASTRA scholarship.

The next meeting will be held June 14 at noon at First United Methodist Church.



Altrusa Officers for the coming year include (front row, from left) Myrna Orr, parliamentarian; Pat Johnson, vice president; Rochelle Lacy, president; Allison Watson, past president; (back row, from left) Evan Smith, director; Kay West, treasurer; Breanne Schwiegerath, Foundation treasurer; Kathryn Green, recording secretary; Carolyn Kessel, director. Not present for photo: Sue Pribble, corresponding secretary; Sheila Winton, director; Laura Martin, director



ASTRA Club 2011-2012 Officers include (from left) Public Relations Officer Diamond Maurifo; Treasurer K'Lyn King; President Elect Alison Alexander; Vice President Jacob Frost; and President Elizabeth Terry.

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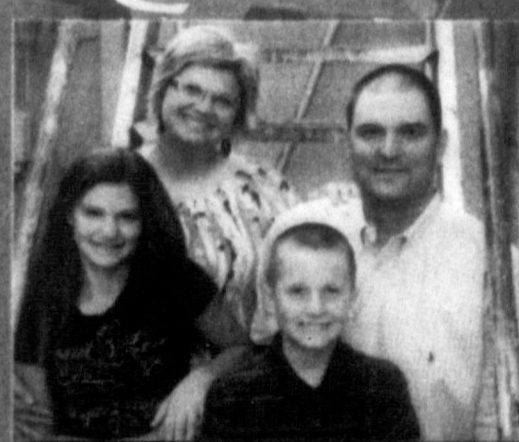
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PHS players and coaches relax, work in their sport

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School let out on Friday, offseason programs have wrapped up and Pampa High School athletes and coaches are entering the summer. Some spend time relaxing but do spend time with their respective sport.

Junior Alanna Stephens said she is playing on a traveling team in softball and volleyball. Stephens said a couple of her softball teammates will play with her. "I'm playing on a team in Amarillo with Alexa (O'Brien) and Tiffany (Britton)," Stephens said.

Junior Latigo Collins said he has been in the gym since basketball season ended and will continue in the summer.

"I practice three times a week in Amarillo and play every weekend," Collins said. "I'm trying to go to a big camp in Pennsylvania. It's called Hoop Group. (A representative from) the Sacred Heart University wanted me to come down so he can watch me. There is supposed to be over 300 (NCAA) Division I coaches there."

Collins said he will also be working. Junior Reid Miller said he will be participating in quarterback camps across the country.

"I'm going to the ones in Wyoming and Colorado State," Miller said. "I'll probably go to Tech, Oklahoma and a few others."

Miller said he gets to work with Division I quarterbacks and learn with other recruits.

"It's definitely better competition and makes me want to be the best I can," Miller said. "I can learn stuff that will eventually help make (the Harvesters) a better team in the long run."

Junior Collin Killgo said he is playing on a traveling team in Woodward, Oklahoma. Killgo said playing in the summer helps prepare him for next season.

"Being around baseball helps me be better," Killgo said.

Head boys basketball coach Dustin Miller said he will spend some time away from basketball but will host a camp in July.



Collins



Killgo

"First, I am managing the water park," Miller said. "I'll be taking Reid (Miller) to some quarterback camps all over the country and those will be our vacations, I'm sure."

Assistant football and boys basketball coach Matt Embry said he will take some vacations and go to a couple of coaching clinics.

"I'll be going to the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches, and I go to local



Garvin



Embry

high school clinic in the Dallas-Fort Worth area as well," Embry said. "College coaches talk about their philosophy and things they do to run their programs, in game situations, et cetera."

Head swimming coach Edward Garvin said he is teaching summer school along with helping with a swim camp at Texas A&M that some of his swimmers will attend.

"It's a week long and there's three two-hour sessions every day," Garvin said. "They learn some great drills and techniques. There's rooms under the pool to video tape swimmers. It's really a great way to prepare for next season."

Garvin also will work with a summer team that will use the new training pool at the Pampa H2O Aquatic Center.

this week in SPORTS:

MAY 30

Monday

- Ladies Night Scramble, Hidden Hills
- Memorial Day Scramble, 1 p.m. Shotgun Start Country Club

• Recreation Summer League Registration starts

MAY 31

Tuesday

- Harvester Baseball Camp, Camp 1 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., Camp Two 10:15 a.m. to 12 p.m., Harvester Field
- Lady Harvester Basketball Camp, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Dennis Cavalier Activity Center

JUN 1

Wednesday

- Hidden Hills Senior Scramble
- Harvester Baseball Camp, Camp 1 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., Camp Two 10:15 a.m. to 12 p.m., Harvester Field
- Lady Harvester Basketball Camp, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Dennis Cavalier Activity Center

JUN 2

Thursday

- Harvester Baseball Camp, Camp 1 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., Camp Two 10:15 a.m. to 12 p.m., Harvester Field
- Lady Harvester Basketball Camp, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Dennis Cavalier Activity Center

JUN 3

Friday

- Harvester Baseball Camp, Camp 1 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., Camp Two 10:15 a.m. to 12 p.m., Harvester Field
- Lady Harvester Basketball Camp, 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Dennis Cavalier Activity Center

JUN 4

Saturday

- Community Christian School fundraising tournament, 8 a.m. shotgun start, Country Club



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Sports

THE STARTING LINE Mayhew, Shults selected to GWTSCA

McHale new Rockets coach?

HOUSTON (AP) — A person familiar with the situation says the Houston Rockets are close to hiring Kevin McHale as their new coach.

The person says the team is negotiating a contract with McHale. The person spoke Friday on condition of anonymity because the deal is not yet complete.

McHale would take over for Rick Adelman, who left the team days after his fourth season in Houston.

McHale, a Hall of Fame player for the Boston Celtics, spent 15 years with the Timberwolves in his native Minnesota. He was let go in 2009 and has recently served as a TV analyst.

The 53-year-old McHale would become Houston's third coach since 2003, when Rudy Tomjanovich stepped down for health reasons. Jeff Van Gundy coached the team from 2003-07, taking the Rockets to three playoff appearances.

Wozniacki falls in French Open

PARIS (AP) — If Caroline Wozniacki truly was torn up inside about her latest loss at a Grand Slam tournament, she certainly hid it well.

Wozniacki smiled and shrugged while deflecting questions about being No. 1 in the rankings despite never having won a major title. Her wait for a breakthrough was extended Friday, when she was beaten 6-1, 6-3 by 28th-seeded Daniela Hantuchova of Slovakia in the third round of the French Open.

After the match, Wozniacki was consoled by her father. She said he told her: "The world still goes on, and we still have the next tournament next week. There is nothing you can do about it now, so just don't beat yourself up too much."

Mavs Butler return 'unlikely'

DALLAS (AP) — Don't expect Caron Butler to make a dramatic return to the Dallas Mavericks just in time to face the Miami Heat in the NBA finals.

Coach Rick Carlisle said Friday that Butler's availability for this series is "unlikely, but I'm not sure."

Butler has been out since tearing a tendon in his right knee on Jan. 1. He was averaging 14 points and 4.1 rebounds in almost 30 minutes per game. He averaged 18 points in Dallas' two regular-season wins over Miami.

Since surgery, he has said he hoped to return during the postseason. He often has been on the court shooting after practices, but has not been fully cleared by team doctors.

Ex-WNBAer Dydek dies

BRISBANE, Australia (AP) — Margo Dydek, a 7-foot-2 former WNBA player who led the league in blocks nine times, died Friday after being placed in a medically induced coma following a heart attack a week ago. She was 37.

Her death was confirmed to The Associated Press by Cathy Roberts, operations manager of the Northside Wizards in the Queensland Basketball League, where Dydek was the coach.

The Poland-born Dydek, pregnant with her third child, was stricken with a heart attack May 19 and collapsed at her home in Brisbane. Dydek was early in her pregnancy and the fetus died, Roberts said.

Dydek was once said to be the tallest active professional female basketball player. She was the No. 1 pick in the 1998 WNBA draft by the Utah Starzz.

Lebron: No vindication, not yet anyway

MIAMI (AP) — Whenever he wants to feel humbled, LeBron James pops in the tapes of the 2007 NBA finals.

No matter what, the outcome never changes. He got swept. San Antonio simply outclassed Cleveland four years ago in the title series, and that still serves as a colossal source of motivation for James — who makes no secret that he's fueled by slights and disappointments.

Since then, he's won two MVP awards and earned somewhere in the neighborhood of \$200 million. Still, nothing fills the void created by those four losses.

Here comes his chance to change that.

James is heading to the finals for the second time, after he, Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh carried the Miami Heat to a wild series-clinching comeback victory in Game 5 of the Eastern Conference title series in Chicago. The season's final challenge is the Dallas Mavericks, who visit Miami in Game 1 of the finals on Tuesday night.

"I think about it all the time," James said of that 2007 series. "I even go back and watch some of those games and see how I wasn't that good of a player, especially on both ends of the floor. You just try to use those moments. I feel like there's no way I should be out on the floor and the team that I'm on can't win a game in a series. I use that as motivation. ... I've got a lot of motivation."

What's transpired in the last 12 months — being called a quitter by his former fans in Cleveland, getting knocked for a supposed inability to finish, the continual hits the Heat have taken for the moves they made

last summer — have only topped off that tank of motivational fuel for James, and he's done his part to silence some of those criticisms with an array of sensational finishes in these playoffs.

Among the highlights: The 10 straight points against Boston to wrap up Game 5 over the now-dethroned East champs in the second round. The nine points in an 11-2 run that decided Game 2 of the East finals against Chicago. The combined 71 feet of three made jump shots in a 97-second span late in Game 5 against the Bulls, including the shot with 30 seconds left that put Miami ahead for good after it had trailed by 12 late in the fourth quarter.

Afterward, he called Thursday's finish the best few minutes of his life.

Might not be overstating things, either.

"We know what kind of player he is," Bosh said. "We know how bad he wants to be in this situation. He's back in the finals. He's been here before. He has that pain. He carries that pain with him everywhere he goes. It's going to help him. It's going to help us as a team."

He was so good in the East finals that his rank among the game's greats became a source of debate Friday sparked, somewhat ironically, by a six-time NBA champion and Chicago icon. In an interview with ESPN Radio, Scottie Pippen said his longtime Bulls teammate Michael Jordan may be the game's best all-time scorer, but James — in his estimation — could be the game's greatest player.

A championship ring could add some credence to that argument.

ANDREW GLOVER
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Two Pampa High School seniors have not played their final game. Jordan Mayhew and Madi Shults were awarded one more softball game as they were selected to play in the Greater West Texas Softball Coaches Association All-Star Game June 11 at Lubbock Christian University.

Shults said it was pretty cool to be selected.

"At least I get to play some more," Shults said.

Mayhew said it's an honor to be chosen.

"I'm really excited," Mayhew said. I get to play with other people that I've played with and against."

Mayhew and Shults will play on the East team. Five of their teammates are from Midland Greenwood, who beat the Lady Harvesters in the area round.



Mayhew

Shults

Shults said it will be weird to see them again.

"The season is over now," Shults said. "It will be fun to play with them."

Mayhew said Greenwood is a good team just like them.

"It will be fun to play with them," Mayhew said.

Three of the opposing players are from Dalhart. Shults said she is looking forward to playing against

them again.

"It's kind of funny," Shults said. "We played them quite a few times so it will be fun."

Mayhew was a first team All-District selection and one of the RBI leaders.

Shults was a second team All-District selection and also one of the Lady Harvester RBI leaders.

The pair helped Pampa to a 9-0 district season and a 26-9 overall record.

SLIP-SLIDIN' AWAY



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Jackson Pooley is sprayed as he slides down the water slide at Austin's Field Day this past week at the school.

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Sports

Sports stereotypes worth less than a grain of salt

Sports is filled with stereotypes. White guys can't jump or aren't fast, all athletes are dumb, Latinos have hot tempers but can't hit. The funny thing is all of those have been disproved.

Let's talk about white guy can't jump. Honestly, I don't have to go very far to disprove that. Last season's Pampa Harvesters basketball team only had one African American player. Let me tell you: That team could jump. I can name three at least that are pretty good jump shooters.

Also I've seen some of our volleyball girls get some air in between their feet and the floor. I went to high school with someone that was a state champion high jumper. His longest jump was two inches higher than Houston Rockets center Yao Ming. In fact, my former classmate got to try out in an Olympic trial. I've



ANDREW GLOVER

also seen one of my favorite pro baseball players, Larry Walker steal a few home runs and I'm positive he wasn't able to do that standing on the ground.

Don't get me wrong, I know there are plenty fast African Americans, but a lot of Caucasian athletes have been blessed with speed, too. I went to high school with someone who can run a 5K under 15 minutes and a mile under four minutes. During basketball and football season, we saw Látigo Collins run past defenders. I saw plenty of quick baserunners on the Harvesters, including Brent

Green, Cole Engle and Zach Murray. Reid Miller was pretty fast on his feet in the backfield.

Yesterday, I had an article about a three-sport athlete that earned the honors of valedictorian. 4.6 GPAs are pretty hard to just wing or let fall into place. Last year both our valedictorian (Alex Clendening) and salutatorian (Myles Foreman) were athletes. Like I said in Friday's edition, 14 of Pampa's 22 honor graduates are athletes. Every year, when we watch NCAA games there is always a commercial that says there is over 400,000 student athletes and just about all of us will be going pro in something other than sports. I guarantee that most of them, going pro in something other than sports, are not flipping burgers at Burger King.

Now, as for Latinos that apparently have hot tempers but can't hit, let me

introduce you to Albert Pujols, who plays first base for the St. Louis Cardinals. All he has done is hit 416 home runs and 862 extra base hits in eleven plus seasons and he will still be adding to those numbers for many years.

The funny thing is who comes up with these theories. I guarantee you anyone who spends a quality amount of time watching sports can disprove these theories.

The only reason these ideas are around is because fans and athletes allow them to be. Any athlete can achieve whatever they want regardless of their race or ethnicity. Obviously, these theories should be worth less than the items on the McDonald's Dollar Menu.

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Glo-Valve service takes two of three last week in Optimist play

SPECIAL TO THE PAMPA NEWS

Glo-Valve Service erupted for six runs in the fifth inning after two were out, but Duncan, Fraser & Bridges Insurance Agency held on for a 12-10 win, clinching the league championship in the Pampa Optimist 11-12 Cal Ripken League Thursday.

The rally started when Chase Voss struck out but hurried to first base while the catcher was trying to find the ball, which had gone into the screen behind home plate. After an out, Walker Kennedy was hit by a pitch. Tyler McCarn forced Voss at third for the second out of the inning. Thomas Costley walked bringing Brendon Woelfle to bat. Woelfle hammered a one ball, two strike pitch into center for a base clearing triple. He scored two pitches later on a Bryce Parker single. Bryce Parker stole a base and scampered home on a single by Logan Martindale. Martindale stole

second and third and came in to score on a single by Justin Beck.

DFB took a 2-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning on a double by Brandt Logan and singles by Greyson Wilson and Adam Zuniga. Glo-Valve answered with three runs in the top of the second on a walk to Beck and singles by Braydon Fry, Kade Parker and Garrett Ely.

The winners got the three runs back in the bottom of the second on a three-run home run by Austin Hernandez that chased in Jarrod Groomer and Derek Norris. DFB stretched its lead to 10-3 in the third with the key hits being a double by Logan, a single by Wilson and a home run by Zuniga.

Singles by Beck and Fry and an error handed Glo-Valve a run, making the score 10-4 after the top of the fourth. DFB produced two more runs in the bottom of the fourth on singles by Groomer, Norris and Misiel Balderama to set up Glo-Valve dramatic rally. The game was shortened because of the time limit.

Logan, with two doubles, a single, two runs and one RBI was the leading hitter for DFB. Wilson rapped out two hits, scored twice and added one RBI for DFB. Zunga had a single and a home run, scoring once and knocking in four runs. Norris also had two hits and two runs.

Woelfle, with a double, a triple, three RBIs and one run scored led Glo-Valve hitters. Beck and Fry had two hits each for Glo-Valve. Beck tallied twice. Fry scored once.

Fry made the outstanding defensive play of the game for Glo-Valve by turning an unassisted double play at first base. Zane McCoy made terrific throws to second and third to catch runners stealing for the DFB defensive gems of the game.

Zuniga survived 10 runs and 10 hits by Glo-Valve to be the winning pitcher. He struck out six, walked three and hit two batters. Woelfle pitched for Glo-Valve.

Glo-Valve beat Claude 19-7 Tuesday at Optimist Park. Logan Martindale

picked up the win. He allowed two hits and three earned runs. He walked six and struck out four.

In the inning, Woelfle had a single to go with his home run. Beck with a double, a triple and four RBIs joined Woelfle as one of the team's leading hitters for the day.

Glo-Valve beat Rotary Club 5-4 on May 21. Ely won his first game of the year relieving starter Woelfle in the third and sixth innings. He allowed three runs on four hits. He walked two and struck out two.

Fry and Ely were the leading hitters in the game with two hits each. Fry had two RBIs and Ely had one.

DFB improved to 11-0 for the season, while Glo-Valve slipped to 8-4. Both teams will be back in action Tuesday. Glo-Valve plays host to Panhandle at 5:45 p.m. while DFB squares off with Rotary Club at 7:45 p.m.

The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency.

WEEKLY SCOREBOARD

Pampa Recreation League

SPRING KICKBALL STANDINGS

MIXED D1	Conf.	Overall
Frank's Hardware	7-2	10-4
Carter Sand & Gravel	6-3	11-3
All About You	3-6	6-9
Bumble Bee's	2-7	4-11

MIXED D2	Conf.	Overall
Win or Lose - We Still Booze	8-0	14-1
OCB	5-3	6-8
Sandy's Pub	4-4	9-7
The Spider Monkeys	2-6	4-11
Black Oil & Gas	1-7	2-12

SCORES

MONDAY
Spider Monkeys 4 Black Oil & Gas 0
All About You 13 Sandy's Pub 7
Frank's Hardware 8 OCB 0
Win or Lose/We Still Booze 5 Bumble Bee's 4
Carter Sand & Gravel 4 Spider Monkeys 1

WEDNESDAY
Bumble Bee's 17 Spider Monkey's 2
Frank's Hardware 20 All About You 2
Bumble Bee's 16 All About You 2
Sandy's Pub 7 OCB 0
Carter Sand & Gravel 7 Win or Lose/We Still Booze 3
Win or Lose/We Still Booze 8 Sandy's Pub 3

SPRING SOFTBALL STANDINGS

MIXED D1	Conf.	Overall
Hoggatt Transmission	8-0	14-0
SWM	6-2	11-3
Sears	3-5	6-9
FBI	3-5	6-9
Premier Well Service	0-8	1-14

MIXED D2	Conf.	Overall
This-n-That/State Farm	7-1	13-3
Comac Well Service	6-2	11-4
Brock	4-4	9-7

First Presbyterian	3-5	3-11
Nat'l Oilwell Varco	0-8	1-13

SCORES

TUESDAY
Hoggatt Transmission 24 Premier Well Service 6
FBI 17 Premier Well Service 13
SWM 23 FBI 7
SWM 20 Sears 7
Hoggatt Transmission 24 Sears 22

THURSDAY

This-n-That/State Farm 16 First Presbyterian Church 1
Premier Well Service 28 National Oilwell Varco 4
This-n-That/State Farm 13 Comac Well Service 4
Brock 20 Premier Well Service 5
SWM 20 Sears 5
Hoggatt Transmission 28 FBI 8
Brock 22 Sears 7
FBI 15 This-N-That/State Farm 6

Optimist Baseball

TUESDAY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	5
First Bank Southwest	0	0	0	0	3
National Oil Well	0	0	0	1	0

TEAM	R	H	E
First Bank Southwest	3	2	0
Howard College	1	2	0

FBSW BATTER

	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO
J. Ware	2	0	0	0	0	2
C. Henderson	2	0	0	0	0	2
T. Mann	2	0	0	0	0	2
S. Langley	0	0	0	0	2	0
G. Anderson	0	1	0	0	2	0
C. Smith	1	1	0	0	1	1
J. DeMaroney	2	0	0	0	0	1
P. Wilbon	2	1	1	2	0	1
G. Kennedy	0	0	0	0	2	0
F. Perez	2	0	1	0	1	0
T. Leos	2	0	0	0	2	0
J. McGahan	0	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	15	3	2	3	8	12

NOV BATTER

	AB	R	H	RBI	BB	SO
E. Boyd	2	0	0	0	0	2
J. Clark	2	1	2	0	0	0
A. Ontiveros	1	0	0	1	1	0
T. Shackett	1	0	0	0	1	1
Z. Arzen	1	0	0	0	1	1
S. Reeve	2	0	0	0	0	2
J. Holland	2	0	0	0	0	2
J. Estrada	2	0	0	0	0	2
A. Stevens	2	0	0	0	0	2
A. Hayden	1	0	0	0	0	1
J. Velasquez	1	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	17	1	2	1	3	14

LOB- FBSW 5 NOV 4. 2B - Wilbon. 3B - Clark. SB - Langley. CS - Kennedy

FBSW PITCHER

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Chism Henderson	5	2	1	1	3	14

NOV PITCHER

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Teryn Shackett	4	2	3	3	6	10
Anthony Ontiveros	1	0	0	0	2	2

Win - Henderson. Loss - Shackett. Save - None.

Babe Ruth

SATURDAY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	5	6	F
Pampa	4	0	1	4	0	2	11
Dumas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

W - Collin Killgo (6 IP, 11 K, 3 BB, 2 hits, 0 runs)

OFFENSE - Pampa: J. Lusk 2 H, 1 HR, 2 R 3 RBI; C. Engle 3 H, 3 2B, 3 R, 1 RBI; J. Thompson 2 H, 1 2B, 1 3B, 2 R, 2 RBI; C. Killgo 1 H, 1 2B, 1 R; 2 RBI;

TEAM

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	F
Pampa	3	1	5	3	1	6	2	21
Dumas	0	3	1	7	0	0	3	14

W - James Thompson (3 IP, 11 K, 3 BB, 5 hits, 11 runs, 6 ER, 1 BB, 1 K)

OFFENSE - Pampa: J. Lusk 1 H, 1 HR, 2 R 4 RBI; C. Engle 3 H, 1 3B, 5 R, 2 RBI; T. Powell 1 H, 1 HR, 4 R, 2 RBI;

PITCHING - James Thompson 3 IP, 11 R, 6 ER, 5 H, 1 BB, 1 K
Cole Engle- 3 IP, 3 R, 3 ER, 6 H, 2 BB, 4 K Collin Killgo 1 IP, 0 ER, 0 R, 1 K

Tri-State High School Rodeo

Association Finals

MAY 7-8

NAME/GRADE	Place	Pts	Tot	Money
BULL RIDING-3rd Go				
Aaron McKee/10	2	68	9	\$120
BULL RIDING-Avg				
Aaron McKee/10	2	68	9	\$180
SADDLE BRONC-1st Go				
M. Medrano/12	1	54	10	\$156
SADDLE BRONC-2nd Go				
M. Medrano/12	2	64	9	\$104
SADDLE BRONC-AVG				
M. Medrano/12	1	118	10	\$260

NAME/GRADE Place Time Pts

BARREL RACING-1st Go				
C. McDonald/10	10	18.157	1	
BARREL RACING-2nd Go				
C. McDonald/10	10	18.357	1	
BARREL RACING-Avg				
C. McDonald/10	9	55.057	2	
GOAT TYING-1st Go				
Bailey Wichert/9	7	10.73	4	
GOAT TYING-3rd Go				
Bailey Wichert/9	8	14.78	3	
GOAT TYING Avg				
Bailey Wichert/9	6	36.49	5	
POLE BENDING-1st Go				
C. McDonald/10	9	22.432	2	
POLE BENDING-2nd Go				
C. McDonald/10	9	22.386	2	
POLE BENDING-3rd Go				
C. McDonald/10	4	22.569	7	
POLE BENDING-Avg				
C. McDonald/10	4	67.387	7	

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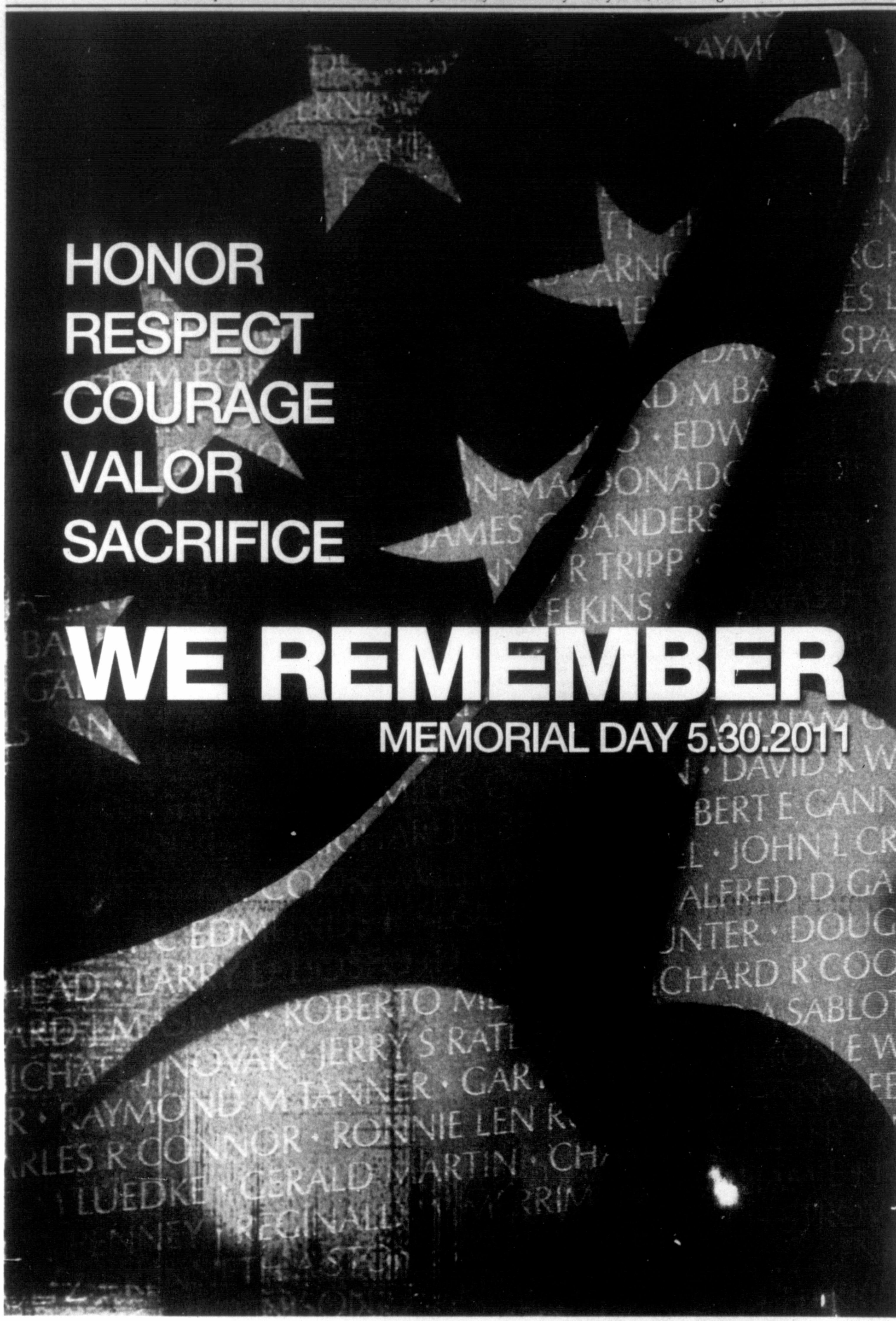
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Agronomist: Cotton outlook 'pretty bleak' in South Plains

ROBERT BURNS
Texas AgriLife Extension Service

COLLEGE STATION — Many areas received rain, but in most of the state the agricultural situation remained extremely dire, according to reports from Texas AgriLife Extension Service personnel.

Most everywhere, soil moisture remained short, except in North Texas, where despite good rains, they were reported as merely adequate. In most areas, wheat grown for grain has been lost or yields severely reduced, according to reports from AgriLife Extension county agents.

Cotton planting continued in areas where the planting window is later, such as the South Plains and Rolling Plains, but the situation in those regions doesn't look promising either, said Dr. Mark Kelley, AgriLife Extension regional specialist based in Lubbock.

In an average year, the South Plains grows about 4 million acres of cotton, approximately 60 percent or more of the state's total acreage. Cotton has largely failed in South Texas, and the plantings are at risk in Central Texas. Because the planting window is later in the South Plains, and there was hope the drought conditions would lift in time for cotton, Kelley said.

"We've been in the planting window for a while now," he said. "It's just we're having issues keeping the ground wet enough, even under irrigated situations, to get a good stand."

Farmers with center pivots are able to get the planting zone wet enough to get a good emergence, Kelley said. Those with only drip irrigation — unless they have the option to roll water (surge irrigation) or have a sprinkler system over the drip — are having trouble keeping the moisture high enough in the soil profile to plant.

"For the dryland guys; the moisture is non-existent. We've got some that are trying to trickle seed in to the dry dirt and just hope for rain," he said. "It's looking pretty bleak here."

Meanwhile, the opportunities for planting to produce a viable crop and to meet crop insurance deadlines are fast approaching. The insurance deadline for north of Lubbock, around Parmer and Bailey counties, is about May 31. Around Lubbock the deadline is about June 5 and south of Lubbock, June 10,



he said.

The outlook in the Rolling Plains is about the same as the South Plains, Kelley said.

"They may have enough moisture to get cotton up, but to keep it going they're going to have to have more," he said. "They're going to have to have a lot more."

From a national standpoint, Texas is a "minor player" in feed grains, said Dr. Travis Miller, AgriLife Extension program leader and associate department head of the soil and crop sciences department, College Station. But Texas typically plants about half the cotton acreage in the U.S., so a large-scale crop failure here could have a large impact on prices nationally.

More information on the current Texas drought and wildfire alerts can be found on the AgriLife Extension Agricultural Drought Task Force website at <http://agrilife.tamu.edu/drought/>.

AgriLife Extension district reporters compiled the following summaries:

PANHANDLE: Dry and windy conditions continued. Soil-moisture was mostly rated as being very short. The danger of wildfire remained high. Producers were busy in the fields: planting cotton, finishing up corn planting and actively irrigating. With no rain, winter wheat continued to decline, and producers with irrigation were reallocating water to summer crops. Rangeland and pasture conditions were mostly very poor. Drought left livestock producers with dried-out rangeland, and required them to do a lot of supplemental feeding. High fuel costs combined with high feed prices caused some producers to decide to cut their losses and sell off herds.

ROLLING PLAINS: Rain came to parts of the region that had not received moisture for months. Accumulations



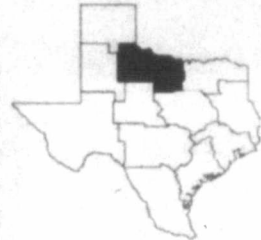
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Wheat yields are expected to be drastically reduced or non-existent in most parts of Texas.

varied from barely a trace to as much as 4 inches. Where the rain was substantial, it was expected to help with preparing land for cotton planting. Motley County received less than 0.10 of an inch of rain, and farmers were facing the fact that without moisture to plant they may not have a crop this year. The wheat harvest was in full swing, though the crop matured two weeks early due to drought and high temperatures. Yields were running less than normal, from eight to 20 bushels an acre. In Dickens County, livestock producers were working cattle. Some cattle were being shipped out-of-county due to the recent fires that scorched more than 90,000 acres. Pastures remained in very poor to poor condition. Cattle producers were feeding hay and protein cake in exorbitant amounts. Water for livestock

was scarce as tanks and ponds continued to dry up. The threat of wildfire was ongoing.

SOUTH PLAINS: Dry conditions still ruled over most of the region. Scurry County received 0.75 to 1 inch of rain, and Garza county received from a trace to 0.4 inch. The rest of the region received no precipitation at all. Burn bans remained in effect. Daily wind speeds averaged from 15-25 mph, with temperatures in the 80s and 90s. Cotton producers were facing a "must-plant" situation to beat insurance deadlines. Some were dry planting, hoping to receive enough moisture for cotton to emerge. Winter wheat was in poor condition. Pasture and rangeland were dry, with cattle being provided supplemental feed. Wheat continued to be baled for hay due to lack of yields.



Farmers struggle to adjust as wet follows dry

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Bountiful reservoirs along the Rio Grande haven't done Mike Hudsonpillar much good as he contends with one of the worst droughts on record.

Hudsonpillar has farmed near McCook since 1990 and can recall another year like this one, where hot and windy conditions have conspired to suck the small traces of rain his acreage has seen right out of the soil. And unlike the fortunate farmers with access to irrigation from the Rio Grande, Hudsonpillar and his dryland colleagues can reap the benefits of full reservoirs left behind by last summer tropical storms.

Instead, Hudsonpillar makes use of what little moisture Mother Nature has given him and hopes for the best as he prepares to harvest his sunflower and grain sorghum under an unyielding South Texas sun.

"This year is no fun at all. I'm ready to get it over with and start over again," said Hudsonpillar, who still expects to make a crop from 4,500 acres of sunflower. "It will rain again. The only question is when."

In the midst of one of Hidalgo County's driest stretches on record, the Rio Grande Valley's impending rainy season might be the next best hope for an answer to that question.

Since October, Hidalgo County has been mired in one of its five driest periods since records have been kept. The drought is afflicting nearly all of Texas, leaving a map of the state blanketed with dark splotches signifying the most intense dry spots on the U.S. Drought Monitor scale.

But the unusual dry stretch comes after last summer's tropical events flooded portions of

Hidalgo County, led the Rio Grande to reach its highest point in decades and filled river reservoirs at Falcon and Amistad to the brink. After reaching a record crest of 309 feet in July, Falcon Lake has dropped more than 20 feet as it supplies a thirsty Valley.

"It was pretty much like a switch had been thrown," said National Weather Service meteorologist Tim Speece.

The wet-dry pendulum may soon swing back in the other direction.

La Niña, a climate pattern marked by cooler sea surface temperatures in the Pacific Ocean, was the major culprit in shutting off the rainfall in South Texas, Speece said. But the warm and dry weather pattern is expected to end by this summer as the Valley heads into hurricane season and traditional rainy months of September

and October.

That a potential relief for Valley farmers, who prefer avoiding a repeat of last summer but would like to see scorched earth get some relief from the skies.

Since Jan. 1, McAllen has received only 1.36 inches of rainfall, far below the mid-May average of 6.04 inches. But areas between McAllen and Falcon Lake including the acreage farmed by Hudsonpillar received virtually no rain since October.

Thanks to the full reservoirs left behind by Hurricane Alex, the drought hasn't yet hit river levels or mandated water conservation techniques, said Erasmo Yarrito Jr., the Rio Grande water master who ensures municipal and agricultural users on this side of the U.S.-Mexico border receive their allocated share of

water. Both Amistad and Falcon reservoirs are still at 88.5 percent capacity at the peak of the Valley irrigation season despite heavier usage than usual, which actually would be higher if some farmers weren't still trying to prepare last summer's flooded land for planting again.

Most of the irrigation districts that crisscross the Valley have their pumps wide open to contend with the demand for water from agricultural users, said Mercedes irrigation district general manager Jo Jo White, who estimates the water demand in his district is triple what it was last year. Last year, some of his farmers lost their crops when the International Boundary and Water Commission diverted the rising Rio Grande into the floodway system where they farmed without harm for decades.

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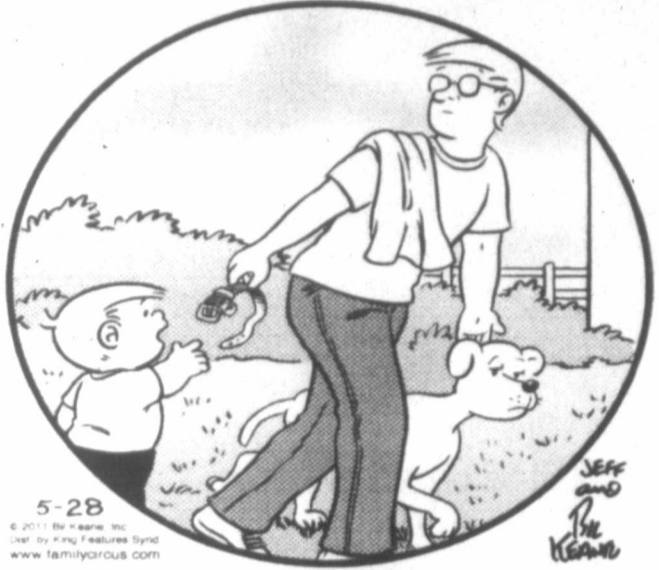
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"I hope none of Barty's friends see him without his clothes on."

Non Sequitur



BUT JUST TO MAKE SURE, CAN YOU HAVE EACH OF THEM SQUAWK?

THE BIG BREAK IN THE CASE OF THE MISSING FRENCH FRIES

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Nest Heads



I'M SO PSYCHED THAT SUMMER IS FINALLY HERE!
SUMMER DOESN'T REALLY START FOR THREE WEEKS!
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SPEAKING OF WHICH, HAVE YOU FOUND A SUMMER JOB YET?
SUMMER DOESN'T REALLY START FOR THREE WEEKS!
ALLEN

daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, May 30, 2011:

This year, rethink decisions and premises on which you've based your life. Don't fear expressing yourself from a new point of view or values system. If you are single, the person you choose today could be different from the one you choose next week or in a few months. Avoid a commitment this year. If you are attached, keep your sweetie tuned in to your changing mental portfolio. Be willing to discuss this transformation. TAURUS understands perhaps too much!

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)

★★★ A loved one might be deep into a discussion with another person. Use your feelings to recognize just how much you care. Be willing to act emotionally to express the depth of caring you experience. Tonight: Remain sensitive to those around you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Many observers will note how many people seem to be taken by you in some form. Some might be intellectually drawn to you, while others experience the magic of your charisma. Just be yourself and make your normal choices. Tonight: Your authenticity makes you so lovable.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Not every holiday can be what you most want and desire. Though having strong desires is excellent, as it gives you drive. On the other hand, be accepting of a need to distance yourself from others. You might need some space. Tonight: Keep your head down. You can do it even while flipping burgers.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Many of your most treasured friends and loved ones will surround you, if you planned well. If not, it isn't too late to pick up the phone and extend an invitation for tonight or next weekend. What is key is to see those you care about most with some frequency. Tonight: Living for the moment.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Accept that others really do depend on you, far more than you realize. Put on your chef's hat and become the head cook. You discover you have plenty of time to socialize in between flipping burgers, basting chicken or whatever your personal

take on a barbecue. Tonight: Taking time for a special friend.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ If you don't want to be somewhere, don't go. Your mind will tend to drift when you are not personally involved. Many of you could be thinking about loved ones at a distance or other such thoughts. Tonight: Dream away.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Your relationship with a particular person dominates your thoughts, actions and most likely your plans. Should you not be in sync across the board, you could experience some discomfort. Relax and see what is going on. Tonight: Stay with this person in thought, at least.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ Read Libra for a hint. Recognize that you might need to hop on a plane in the near future. At least make a phone call to someone at a distance. Know what is going on within, and be willing to act on it. Express yourself — you need to, for you alone. Tonight: Put on a favorite piece of music.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Take a hint from Leo; you are in a very similar position. Today you are in the business of helping others enjoy their Memorial Day. Whether cook or chief bottle washer makes no difference. You are facilitating others' enjoyment of the moment. Tonight: Try to make it early if you're tired.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ Whether it is eyeing the pie or the girl or guy, you seem to attach far more possibilities than might exist. The other side of the coin is that you might not choose to realize this fantasy. Stay in the practical. Tonight: Let your inner child emerge.

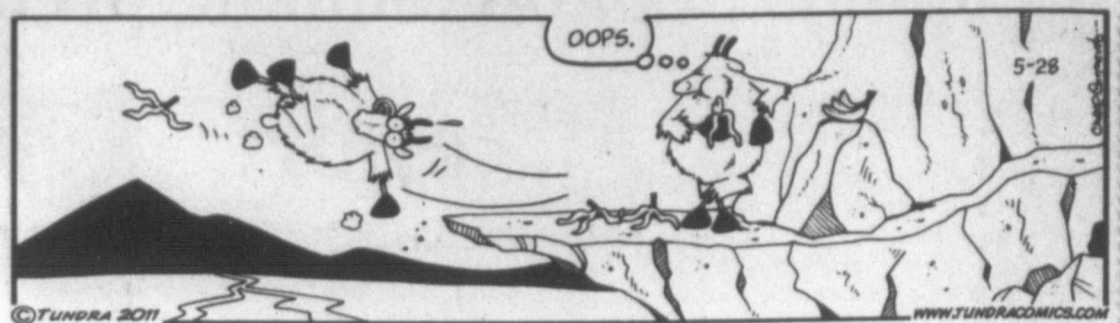
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Basics count, and you could find that you are dealing with a situation you would prefer not to. The obvious fact is you have no choice. A family member could pull you down like an albatross. Nevertheless, make the most of the moment. Tonight: Catch up with friends.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Sometimes your expectations become too rigid, or too much like your mental pictures. Inevitably, disappointment follows. Try to stay grounded in the present, and visit with those around you. Tonight: The chatter could go to the wee hours.

Tundra



Shoe



Mother Goose and Grim



Zits



Garfield



Beetle Bailey



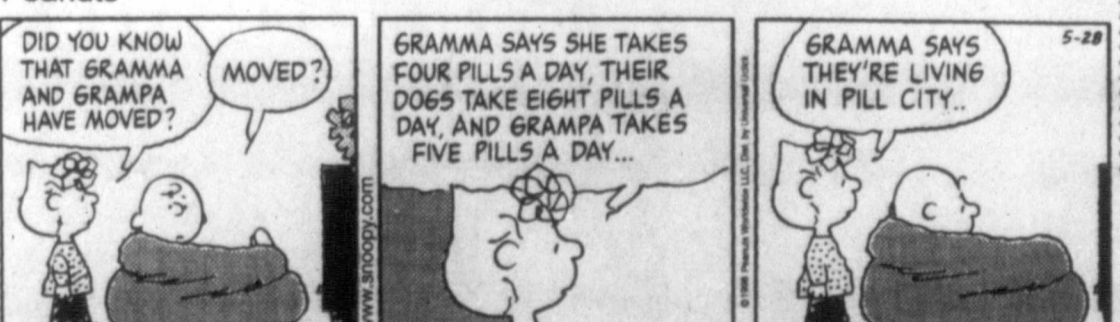
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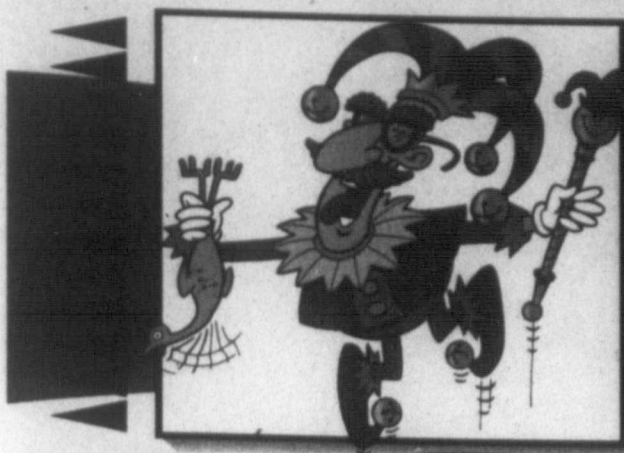


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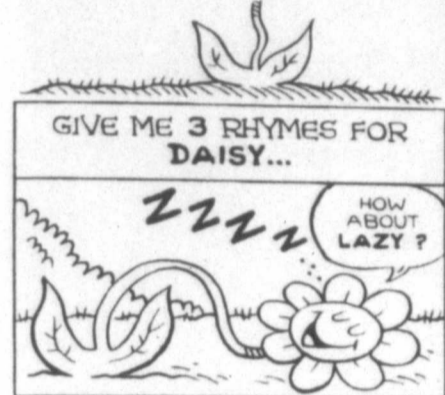
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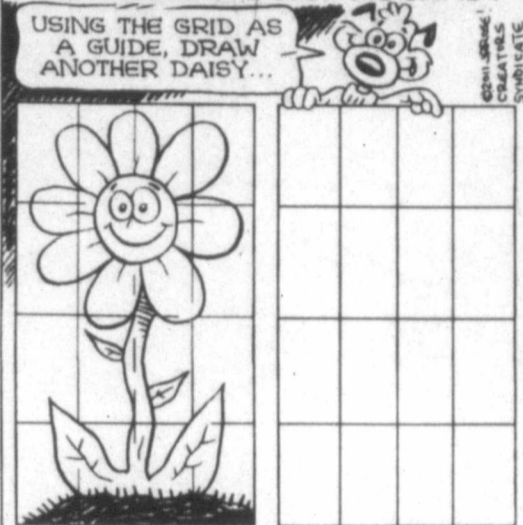
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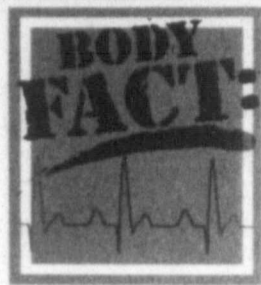
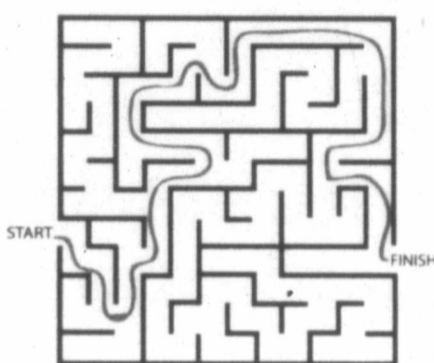
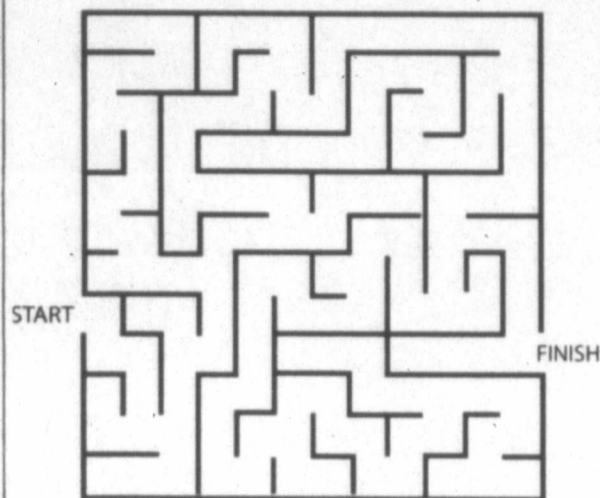
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- FRENCH: Sourire
- GERMAN: Lächeln

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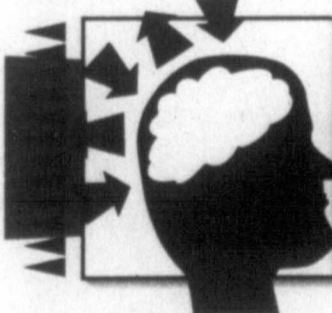
BUT THE KOALA HAS A SHARP TEMPER.

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HISTORICAL SHAGGS

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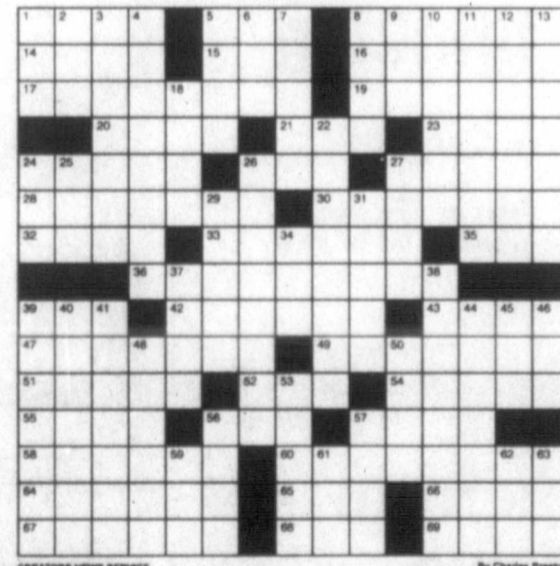
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Word Search — Golden Years

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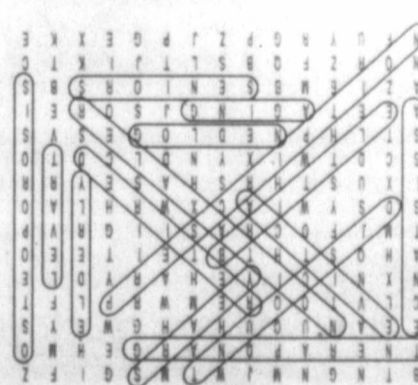
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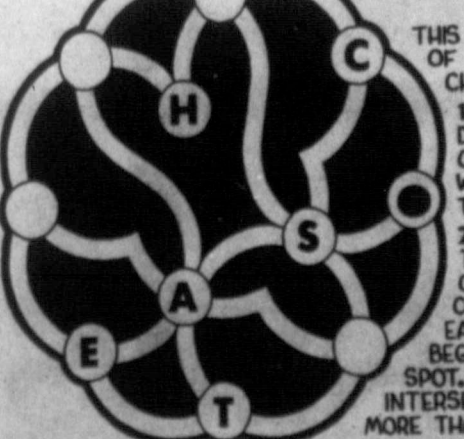
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Word Search Answers



TONGUE TWISTER



THIS PUZZLE CONSISTS OF TWO SEPARATE CHALLENGES:

- SEE HOW MANY DIFFERENT WORDS YOU CAN UNSCRAMBLE WHICH CONTAIN ALL THE LETTERS AT LEFT.
- SEE HOW MANY OF THESE WORDS YOU CAN TRACE WITH A CONTINUOUS LINE. EACH TRACING MUST BEGIN AT THE BLACK SPOT. NO PASSAGE OR INTERSECTION MAY BE USED MORE THAN ONCE PER WORD.

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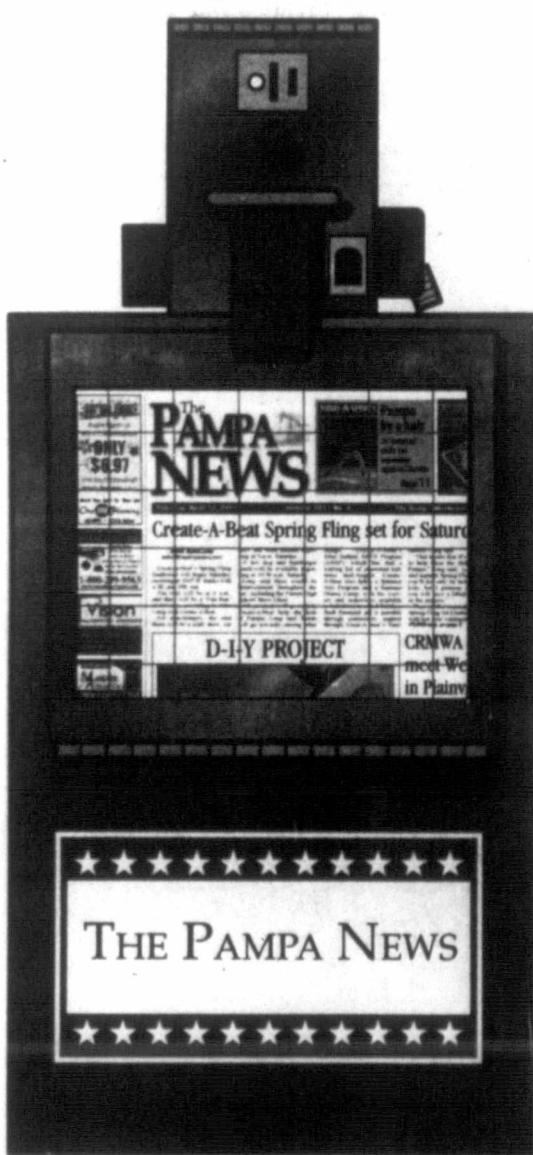
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★ ★ ★ **sunday horoscope**

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A baby born today, May 29, 2011, before 6:02 a.m. (PST), is a Gemini with a Moon in Aries. After that time, the baby has a Moon in Taurus.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, May 29, 2011:

This year, a lot happens quite quickly, and you often might feel that you don't have the control you desire. You can only control your reaction, no one else's. Give up any thought of manipulation or power over others. If you are attached, you gain from being together more often. If you are single, a friendship could become more. Be careful, and don't decide out of the blue that this is the one. Take your time getting to know this person. **TAURUS** makes an excellent healer.

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)

★★★ You finally know that there is a change coming. My dear Ram, you have been on quite a roll. Stay centered. Don't allow another person's derogatory comments to get to you. This person's criticism has more to do with his or her own issues. Tonight: Take another look at a parent or older relative. Your perspective is changing.

This Week: Make sure you have the right set of facts and figures. A lot is subject to change.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Finally, you are rejuvenated, feeling as if the world really is your oyster. Whether off at an artistic or musical production makes little difference -- your mind takes off for its private

never-never land. Slowly but surely, you are clearing out any biased thinking. Tonight: So what if tomorrow is Monday? It is also Memorial Day!

This Week: Beam in exactly what you want. Have no illusions about money.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Know when to take your own advice and keep mum. The less said at the moment, the better off you will be. Investigate different options, though you might not want to let others know just yet. A partnership is changing before your very eyes. Tonight: Make it a duo.

This Week: The Solar Eclipse in your sign could be depleting. Slow down and relax on Wednesday.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You might feel somewhat pressured by circumstances. Nevertheless, you are coming up with answers and solutions. A partner or loved one appears to be transforming in front of your very eyes. Make the experience exciting; get to know him or her again. Tonight: Where the action is.

This Week: Apart from Monday, you might be inclined to steer into rough waters.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ No sign knows as clearly as yours what it means to be in the lime-light. Laugh and relax with the company of friends, perhaps a co-worker or two, and one very special person. Try to toss a little more responsibility on others. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

This Week: Count on being prominent once more and very much in demand.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Whether at a picnic, on the phone or watching a movie, a statement catches your attention, forcing you to think. What you might witness

is a bias or judgment in your thinking. The more you become aware of this issue, the better the opportunity to give up your blinders. Tonight: Opt for a very new experience.

This Week: You might want to take this week off, if you possibly can.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Work directly with others, especially a partner or loved one. How you expose yourself to different ideas makes little difference but permits more understanding and flexibility. One-on-one relating also helps you evolve to a more spiritual and caring level. Tonight: Go with a last-minute change.

This Week: Relate to others directly. Try walking in another person's shoes if this person is confusing you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Defer to others and understand your limits, and perhaps verbalize them if need be. People rarely will walk on you if they understand your boundaries and your personal direction. Communication could take on a different tone as a result. Tonight: Go along with another person's suggestion.

This Week: Others are demanding and challenging. Let them have their way.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Your easygoing pace could make a big difference, especially as you will encounter various different personalities during your travels. You might want to spend more time with family at a quiet, well-loved retreat. Be aware of your spending. Tonight: Relax in a favorite fashion.

This Week: A partner or associate is more than a handful. Count on some flak.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You might

want to revamp certain ideas that involve a loved one and/or a friend. You could choose to head in a new direction, if possible. Please notice someone trying to encourage you to take a leap of faith. Why not? Tonight: Enjoy the moment.

This Week: Issues arise in your day-to-day life. Be a true Cap -- stay calm, cool and collected.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ How you handle someone and the choices you make could be rather distinctive and unique. You might want to have your privacy and be left alone, but to what avail? Open up to new possibilities as you frequently request others to do. Tonight: Make it an easy night at home.

This Week: What you see as fun and light could be devastating to another person. Work on your sensitivity.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Speak your mind with the full expectation of being heard and appreciated. Sometimes someone pushes you way beyond your limits. You need to let others know when they have reached this point. Otherwise, they won't know. If this is the case, feel free to say "no." Tonight: Hang out with friends.

This Week: Talking is fine, but finding solutions needs to happen.

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For each of the words below, replace one letter with the tile after the plus sign. Then rearrange the letters to spell a word related to mathematics.

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Yesterday's Answer: TOMATO, MOTTOS, TOTEMS, OTTERS, SITTER, TRIBES, BRUISE

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Sudoku

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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Level: Advanced

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 41 Candidate

1 Workout of the '90s

5 "Time's Arrow" author

9 Hardware item

10 Breath fresheners

12 Not so good

13 Following

14 Classroom needs

16 Copying

17 Fox hole

18 Master opener

20 Swirled

22 Camera part

23 African capital

25 Peak

28 Hooded snakes

32 New Age token

34 Sports-drink suffix

35 Luggage ID

36 Past and present

38 Components

40 "— With Love"

DOWN

1 Got a goal

2 Gofer's job

3 Hardy heroine

4 Popeye's adopted son

5 Wrong

6 Hr. part

7 Consumption

8 Hot

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Yesterday's answer

9 Garbo, for one

11 Influences

15 Extreme

19 Neatnik's opposite

21 Secures type

24 Desk

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26 Wading birds

29 Muffin bit

30 Lets in

31 Clairvoyants

33 Refinement

37 Big book

39 Not to mention

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 14-year-old girl in my first year of high school. I'm not sure what to do about boys or how to make friends. All I ever learned at home was what NOT to do.

I'm not allowed to date until I'm 16, but I really like this boy in my math class. What should I do? I'm so confused. My parents have protected me against things for so long, and I've had to learn from my friends' and my mistakes. I wonder sometimes if I have to be obedient to my parents or if I should make my own choices. Help! — DATELESS AND CLUELESS IN NEVADA

DEAR DATELESS: At 14 it's normal to have a crush on a classmate. It's also normal for your parents to want to protect you. You say you have had to learn from your friends' and your own mistakes. That's normal, too. It's how we all learn about life.

Until you're old enough to date, become active in events at school. It's a healthy way to make friends and learn social skills. And continue being obedient to your parents. That's how teens build enough trust so that their parents gain the confidence to give them more freedom.

DEAR ABBY: "Carl" and I have been married

23 happy years. He's a great guy, an awesome dad to our teenage girls and an excellent provider. There's only one problem. Lately he's boring.

Carl doesn't have a physically demanding job, so he can't blame it on being tired. I always make the plans for entertainment because if I didn't, we'd never go anywhere or do anything. When we go out, I feel like he's just along for the ride and would rather be home in front of the TV.

I can see he tries to enjoy himself when we're with friends, but when I ask him afterward, he says, "It was OK," or, "They're not my favorite people." When I ask if he'd like to plan the next outing, he says he's happy just staying home.

I work, go to school and have a busy life, but I need more in it and I'd like to include my husband. My friends are all couples so, naturally, I'd like to have Carl at my side. Whatever I suggest for fun, he's never enthusiastic about any of it. If I have to stay home one more Friday night and watch a movie on pay-per-view, I'll scream! Please help. — TIRED OF FRIDAY NIGHT BLUES

DEAR TIRED: You say "lately" your husband is boring. What was he like before that? A man who is listless, lethargic and disengaged

should see his doctor to make sure there is nothing physically wrong and if he could be suffering from a mild depression. Suggest he have a physical and, if possible, go with him so you can voice your concerns.

If nothing is wrong with Carl, you two need to find some activity you can do together that you both will enjoy — something that doesn't involve either television or people your husband doesn't particularly relate to.

DEAR ABBY: My son's fiancée doesn't care what I wear to their wedding, or what color it is. She says she "knows" I'll wear something great.

The wedding will be in September in the afternoon. It should be warm then. They have chosen bright green and bright baby blue as their colors. I don't want to wear either one.

Would an ivory or champagne dress be appropriate? I was raised "old school" and need to know. — MOTHER OF THE GROOM

DEAR MOTHER OF THE GROOM: Wearing ivory might not be advisable because it is so close to white. However, a dress in a champagne color or pale blue or pale green would be acceptable.



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'Hangover: Part II' a re-do of the first, but still gets laughs

Admittedly, I'd normally be pretty cranky about a sequel that's pretty much just a rehash of the first movie.

I could probably make myself really cranky about "The Hangover: Part II" if I tried hard enough, but in this case, I really didn't mind. It's that funny.

Of course, if you're going to carbon copy any comedy's formula, the first "Hangover" isn't a bad choice. Built around the bachelor party hijinx caused by friends Phil (Bradley Cooper), Stu (Ed Helms) and Alan (Zach Galifianakis), "The Hangover" was a breakout hit for director Todd Phillips and writers Jon Lucas and Scott Moore.

Cooper, Helms, Galifianakis and Phillips all return for the sequel, although it's a bit obvious that the original writers aren't along for the ride this time. "The Hangover: Part II" relies on raunchiness and gross-out humor much more than the original, and its script is arguably crueler to the main characters. More glaringly, the plot is almost entirely the same, right down to the stuff that happens and the order they come in. You want proof? The characters themselves point it out as its happening.

It's quite a shame, since the setting of "The Hangover: Part II" really gives it a chance to set itself off from the original. The movie brings Phil, Stu and Alan to Thailand for Stu's wedding, giving the self-described "Wolfpack" a new, exotic locale to wander through as they piece together the events of the previous night's alcohol-fueled insanity. (Yes, I'm well aware that Stu got married during the first one while he was already married. They explain it away.)

This time, instead of losing the groom, they lose Teddy, the bride's little brother. In the face of already evident contempt from his fiancée's father, Stu and the gang scour Bangkok to recover the lost youth, running into old pal Mr. Chow (Ken Jeong) more than once along the

way. The readily apparent similarity to the first film is an obvious flaw, but in this case, it's hard to bring the movie down just because it does deliver so well on the laugh scale. The three leads play off each other with comic precision without eschewing the charming bond their characters share.

It's not as funny or original as the first, but so what? "The Hangover: Part II" leaves the entire movie theater laughing from beginning to end, just like its predecessor did. In my book, that's well worth the price of admission.

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The Hangover: Part II ★★★★★
Rated PG-13 for pervasive language, strong sexual content including graphic nudity, drug use and brief violence

SPLIT-SCREEN



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Retro Review: 'Pineapple Express' high-lariously fun

Since seeing "Green Hornet," I've been wanting to go back and re-watch Seth Rogen's previous action-comedy, "Pineapple Express," one of the funniest flicks, and one of the most well-made action films, of the past decade.

The basic plot goes like this: Dale (Rogen) witnesses a murder and drops a joint made of special marijuana. He goes to his dealer, Saul (James Franco), and the two go on the run. Yes, it does sound like one of the dumbest movies ever made, but surprisingly it's not only filmed amazingly but also superbly acted.

Dale's telltale joint, as it turns out, is the clue that puts murderer Ted (Gary Cole) on Dale's trail. The movie follows Dale and Saul as they try to stay a step ahead of Ted, Ted's hitmen ("The Office's" Craig Robinson and "Super Bad's" Kevin Corrigan), and a dirty cop (Rosie Perez).

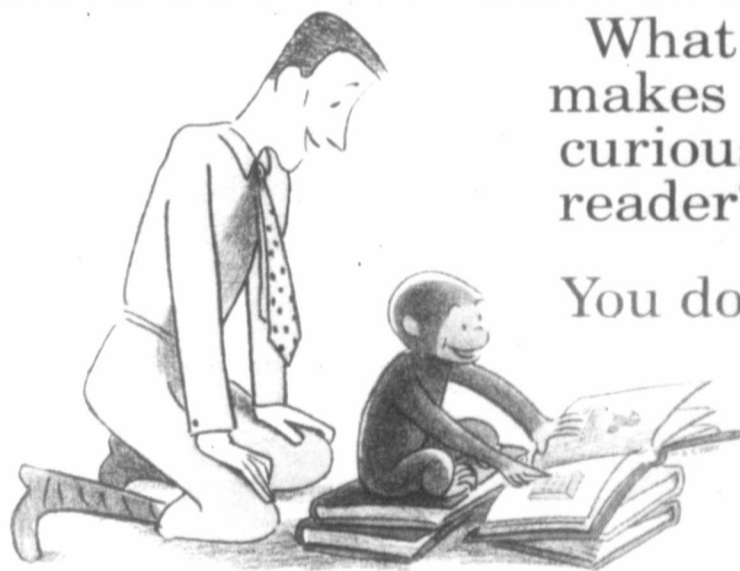
Of course, I would be remiss if I didn't mention Danny McBride as another criminal lowlife and both friend and adversary to Dale and Saul. He brings some of the funniest moments in the film; one of these scenes, a over-the-top, hilarious fight between McBride, Rogen, and Franco, is so ridiculous that you can't help but laugh

and feel sorry for these morons. The trio find themselves on the run, in a car chase, arrested, kidnapped, and finally in a huge absurdly comedic, explosive finale, which ranks with "Hot Fuzz" as one of the best endings to a comedy ever.

The movie's got just about everything you could want: Comedy, action, blood, guns, explosions and lots of heart. Rogen and Goldberg deliver an action-packed comedy that feels different than anything that has come before it. The acting is great all around, with the exception of Amber Heard who plays Rogen's girlfriend. But there are great performances by everyone else involved, including some great cameos from James Remar and Ed Begley Jr. Of course, the real stars are Rogen and Franco who have real chemistry with each other.

Finally, I have to mention one of my favorite scenes — the car chase. I've often wondered why no one just slams on their brakes when they are in a high speed chase, and finally this movie addresses just that very thing. It's one of my favorite scenes of the last few years, and answers my question in a very unexpected way. "Pineapple Express" is a must-see for everyone who loves a good comedy or a good action movie.

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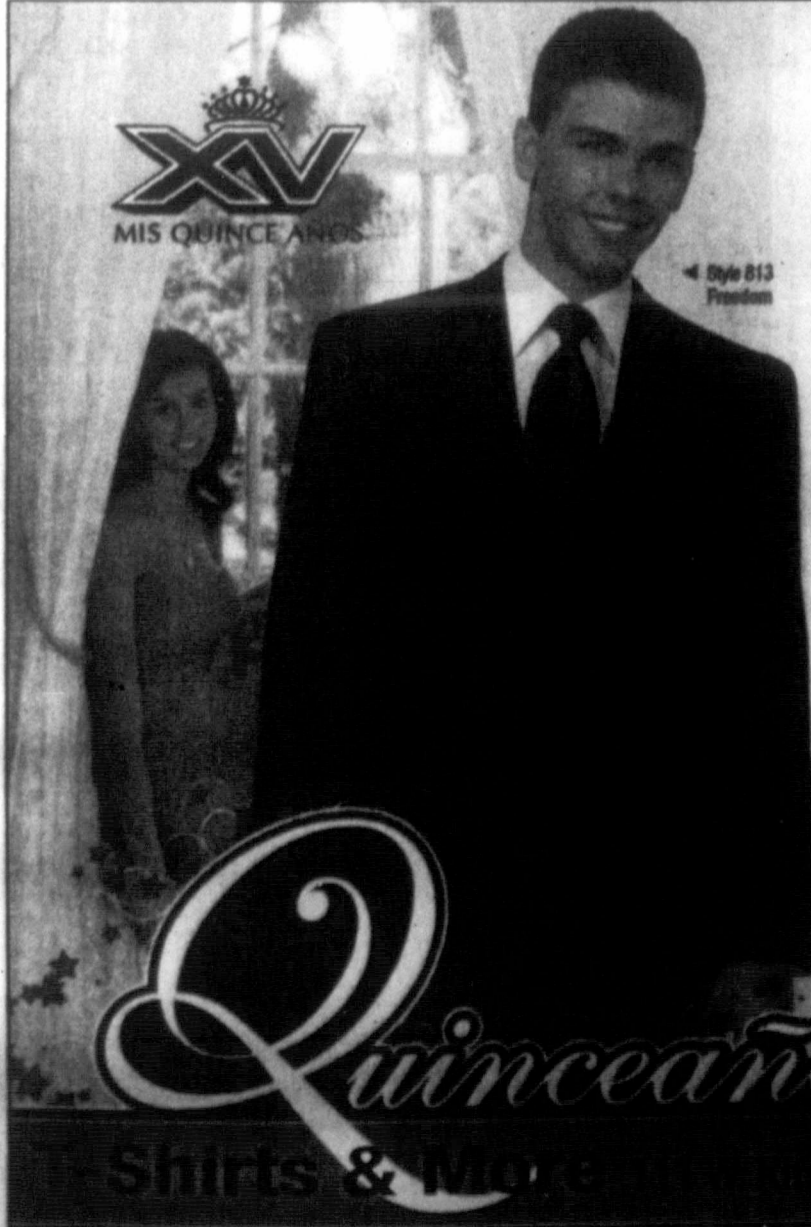
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