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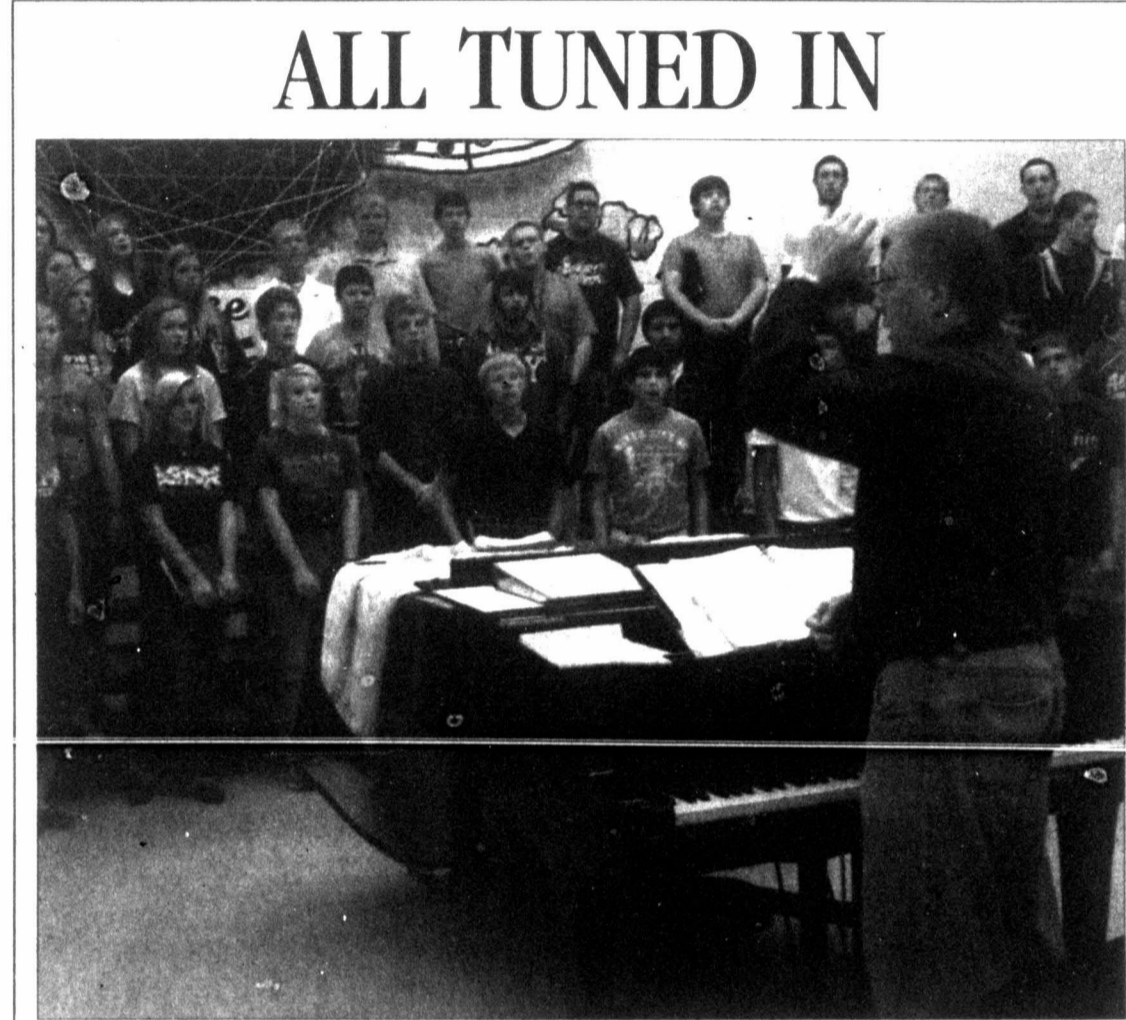
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## ALL TUNED IN

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Directed by Fred Mays, the Pampa High School's Concert Choir, the school's Varsity singing group, rehearses on Friday. Twenty PHS choir students will compete in District this weekend.

## PHS choir picks up where it left off

**MOLLIE BRYANT**  
 mbryant@thepampanews.com  
 Pampa High School's choir has not wasted any time at all since the fall semester started last month. Rehearsals for this year's musical, "Beauty and the Beast," are under way, and today PHS will host auditions for District Choir, the first of four rounds leading to All State. Twenty PHS choir students will be among the nearly 500 high school students trying to make the cut. "It's challenging music. The older ones, we really push, because they are more advanced, and they can handle this music. We give them all a practice CD, and we give them all the music right when school starts. A lot of it comes from the kids wanting to do it and wanting to practice," said **CHOIR** cont. on page 3

## County mulls extension of mineral lease

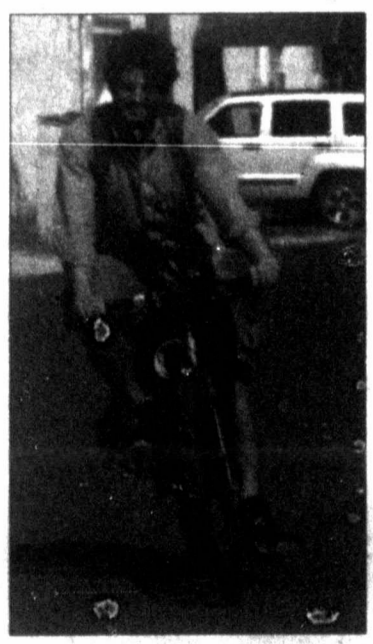
**MOLLIE BRYANT**  
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 The Gray County Commissioners Court met on Friday morning to discuss a potential lease extension on mineral rights in Games County and an order that would tax personal property in transit. Action was not taken on either of these items. In other business: The commission approved the refinancing of bonds pertaining to the county's indebtedness connected with courthouse renovations. **COUNTY** cont. on page 2

## Gray County Latchkey aids kids' learning

**DREAMIA KLEIN**  
 Gray County Latchkey, Inc.  
 Gray County Latchkey has served our community for 35 years. It is a great program with lots to offer. We provide an environment of trust, social and learning in an area for children from Head Start **LATCHKEY** cont. on page 2

## Willaman passes through on cross country bike trip

**MOLLIE BRYANT**  
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 Kevin Willaman, 23, wasn't quite sure what to do next. He was working as a waiter in a sports bar, was a semester shy of graduating from college with a theology degree, and was watching his friends get married and settle into new careers. But he was sure of one thing: He wanted to travel. Two months ago, Willaman started a tour of the U.S. by bicycle, from Boca Raton, Fla., to Los Angeles, his eventual destination. Right now he is in Pampa, a midpoint of sorts on his journey. "I just want to go coast to coast. I've never been further west than Jackson, Miss., so this is all new. All of this is stuff I've only seen in books," said Willaman. Before setting out from Florida, outside of a little training, he hadn't touched a bicycle since he was in middle school. "The first week was hell, but then your body gets used to it. It's all mental really. I feel like **WILLAMAN** cont. on page 2



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## PAMPA VS. SNYDER TOUGH SETBACK

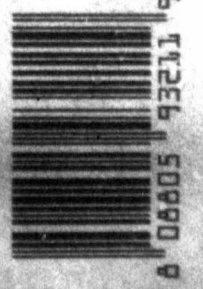


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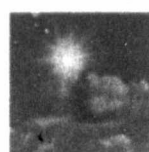
**Senior receiver Latigo Collins** directs traffic during Friday's Harvesters home game against Snyder. Unfortunately, Pampa fell to the 11-ranked Tigers, 39-21. Full story in **SPORTS**, 1B.

**27th Annual Country Fair Oktoberfest Texas Style**  
 Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>  
 MK Brown Auditorium  
 Doors open 6 p.m./\$30 per person

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## PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Sunday	Monday
		
High 84 Low 51	High 87 Low 59	High 83 Low 53

**Today:** Sunny, with a high near 84. South southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

**Tonight:** Mostly clear, with a low around 51. South wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

**Sunday:** Sunny, with a high near 87. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

**Sunday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 59. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

**Monday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 83. Southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

**Monday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 53. South wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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# Flintknapping featured at Flintfest 2011

FRITCH — Alibates Flint Quarries National Monument will kick off Texas Archaeology Month with a two-day celebration October 1-2 of the special resource known as Alibates flint.

The highlight of this event will be a "knap-in," featuring flintknappers from around the Southwest who will demonstrate the skill of making stone tools and weapons. Visitors can watch arrowheads and spearpoints being made on site, and can learn about the flintknapping process.

Featured during this event will be a special Quarry Tour to the only

excavated flint quarry in the national monument, an opportunity available only during FlintFest.

Visitors will also be able to take the Ruins Tour to the village ruins and petroglyphs associated with the Antelope Creek Phase of the Plains Village culture (ca. AD 1150-1450). These sites are open to the public only during Texas Archeology Month. Tours are free, but reservations are required for both the Quarry Tour and the Ruins Tour.

Tours take approximately two hours each. Visitors should be in reasonably good physical shape,

wear sturdy shoes, and bring water.

Other activities that will be available include viewing the award-winning film, "The Sharp Edge of Survival," visiting the native plants garden, walking the newly created Mesquite Trail, and shopping in the bookstore. Books, calendars, and posters featuring flintknapping and stone tools and weapons will be available. Rangers and park volunteers will be on hand to answer questions and assist visitors.

For more information or to make reservations, please contact park headquarters at 806-857-3151.

## Willaman

anyone could do this trip. That's why I don't think I'm anything great. I have a lot of people telling me I'm inspirational, and anyone can do this if they put their minds to it," said Willaman.

He thinks attitude is a crucial part of his success so far. "It's such a mental demand, especially doing it alone. I can watch myself going like 12 miles an hour, trudging along. I was in Oklahoma, trudging along, and then I saw the Texas sign, and I was like, 'I'm in a new state!' and then I'm going 20 miles an hour," said Willaman. "One thought of negativity can spiral you out of control. You have to stop, and pull over and check yourself. You don't have to be Lance Armstrong to do this at all."

Willaman rides about five hours a day, then couch-surfs or camps at night. His trip has given him the opportunity to get to know a troop of people he wouldn't have met otherwise.

"Every day is a new experience. I haven't done anything spectacular yet, but it's more about the people that I meet, the conversations that I have and the slices of life I get to see," he said. "I've definitely made some great friendships. It breaks my heart, because my roots start to grow in, and then I have to rip them out and go to the next town."

Using a combination of an Android phone, a laptop and

an atlas, Willaman has navigated his way from Florida to Pampa. His phone and Facebook have also been crucial for keeping in touch with his friends and family. He also started a Facebook group, which he updates daily with posts about his adventure.

Willaman has seen sand dunes, Alabaster Caverns State Park and the Boiling Springs State Park in Oklahoma, and some other awe-inspiring sights.

"I swam with wild dolphins in Florida. They were jumping in a random bay, and I swam out there and they were jumping right there alongside me. That was unexpected, because it was an accidental turn," he said. "I made a wrong turn into that bay and just swam out there."

When he gets to California, Willaman plans to take a train back home, but not before trying his luck on Wheel of Fortune.

"I'm like an old man when it comes to that game. I love it," he said.

Willaman also is constructing plans for another trip after he is done with this one.

"I'm thinking about biking across Europe after this. It's been consuming my thoughts now. Everyone wants to go backpacking across Europe, and this is kind of a faster way to do it," he said.

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## Latchkey

to fifth grade. We are located in all four elementaries: Wilson, Lamar, Travis and Austin. We have currently 10 staff, two at each school and one that is

there to help with the special needs children that we have currently enrolled.

Gray County Latchkey offers homework time, crafts, activities,

games and a daily nutritional snack to all. We appreciate United Way for all that they do to the program; without it would be neat to impossible to keep Latchkey going.

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## Obituaries

### Jessie M. Hearn, 94

Jessie M. Hearn, 94, died September 27, 2011, in McLean.

Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Monday, October 3, 2011, at Memory Gardens Cemetery, with Dr. Jeff Knighton, pastor of First Christian Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Hearn was born October 9, 1916, in Swearingen, and attended school at Grandview Hopkins. She married Spence F. Hearn



Hearn

on October 10, 1940, in Pampa. She owned and operated several businesses that included The Crystal Palace, Western Auto, and Aspen Products. Jessie was a member of First Christian Church. She loved to knit and crochet. During the holidays, she made Christmas stockings for the family. She will be remembered as a loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, and will be greatly missed.

Survivors include two sons, Spence Hearn and wife Carla of Pampa, and Richard Hearn and wife Elyse of San Antonio; a daughter, Cynthia Foshee and husband LeWayne of McLean; 15 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren. Jessie was preceded in death by her husband, Spence F. Hearn; and two brothers, Leslie Cunningham and George Cunningham.

Memorials may be made to Interim Hospice, 2217 Perryton Pkwy., Pampa, TX 79065.

Sign the online register at [www.carmichael-whitley.com](http://www.carmichael-whitley.com).

## For the record

### Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 24 hour period ending Friday, September 30 at 7 a.m.

Animal Control agents and Pampa PD responded to 16 animal related inci-

dents. Pampa PD reported 14 traffic related incidents.

Pampa EMS and Pampa PD responded to six medical calls.

**Thursday, September 29**

A theft occurred at the 300 block of East Brown.

Harassment was reported.

Police investigated an alarm at the 2200 block of North Chestnut.

A missing person was reported at the 700 block of North Christy.

An accident occurred at the 200 block of North Hobart.

An offense against family and children occurred at the 1600 block of North Dwight.

Thefts occurred at the 1000 block of South Nelson and the 1900 block of North Banks.

A suspicious vehicle was reported at 20th and Holly.

A suspicious person was reported at the 300 block of South Tignor.

A robbery occurred at the 400 block of North Ballard. Disorderly conduct was reported at the 1700 block of North Chestnut.

**Friday, September 30** Disorderly conduct was reported at the 700 block of East Frederic.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 1200 block of North Wells.

A narcotics violation was reported.

A suspicious person was reported at Browning and Starkweather.

Suspicious vehicles were reported at the 2790 block of North Russ. and the

300 block of East Pennsylvania.

### Sheriff's Office

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 24 hour period ending Friday, September 30 at 7 a.m.

**Thursday, September 29**

Linda Sue Trubly, 51, was arrested by deputies for assault causing bodily injury.

Timmy Leal Ray, 40, was arrested by DPS officers for theft by check.

Maurilio Contreras Martinez, 35, was arrested by deputies for driving while intoxicated.

Rod L. Donnell, 35, was arrested by police for possession of a controlled substance.

April Nichole Ballard, 25, was arrested by deputies on charges of theft, assault causing bodily injury and capias pro fines times three.

Christopher Michael Chirizio, 29, was arrested by deputies for possession of marijuana.

Donny Glenn Lanier, 47, was arrested by deputies for driving while intoxicated.

**Friday, September 30** Javier Omar Estrada, 20, was arrested by police for driving while intoxicated.

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# MORNINGRUSH

## Fire closes Houston refinery

PASADENA (AP) — Firefighters have extinguished a blaze at a suburban Houston refinery. No injuries were reported in the fire Friday afternoon, and all workers have been accounted for at the Pasadena Refining System Inc. plant. Operations were halted at the plant, owned by Petrobras, Brazil's state-controlled oil company. Refinery owners say the blaze was in a distillation section of the plant, which can refine 100,000 barrels of crude oil per day into products like gasoline, diesel and jet fuel.

## Man sentenced in teen's death

WACO (AP) — A McLennan County jury has sentenced a man to life in prison after his conviction in a high school student's death in a drive-by shooting at a Waco park. The Waco Tribune-Herald reports jurors Friday sentenced 29-year-old Willie Contreras. Jurors Thursday found him guilty of murder, rejecting his contention he was just trying to scare 17-year-old Nathan Romo and others and saw no danger in firing 11 shots in the truck's in March. Contreras had told jurors he was "truly sorry" for causing the death of Romo, a student in Lorena, south of Waco. According to testimony, Contreras and his 17-year-old nephew, Leonard Trey Nino, met up with Romo and others because Nino and Romo's friend planned to fight. Nino's murder trial is set for Oct. 25.

## Drug bust: 800 lbs. of marijuana

EDMOND, Okla. (AP) — Police in Edmond confiscated nearly 800 pounds of marijuana after responding to an assault complaint. The Oklahoman reports the Monday bust was one of the largest in Edmond's history. Police say the marijuana had a street value of almost \$500,000. Investigators also confiscated four assault weapons, nine rifles, four pistols and a bullet-resistant vest. Police arrested 34-year-old Dale Bradley Jefferson on numerous drug-related charges. Officials say Bradley has a prior felony conviction out of Sebastian County, Arkansas. Jefferson was released from jail Tuesday on \$104,500 bail. It wasn't clear if he had an attorney.

## Health care gaps for Indians

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — A new U.S. government report highlights serious gaps in mental health care for many American Indians and Alaska Natives, groups that suffer from problems including a teenage suicide rate more than twice the national average. One in five hospitals and clinics in Indian Country provide no mental health services. Only half provide drug therapy treatments, and treatment often is handled by non-licensed staff at dozens of facilities. That's from the report by the Inspector General of the Department of Health and Human Services. It was released Friday by Montana U.S. Sen. Max Baucus, a Democrat who in 2008 requested an investigation into health care problems on reservations. Tribal leaders on Montana's Fort Peck Reservation last year declared a crisis after a rash of suicides at a middle school.

## Calif. inmate strike continues

TEHACHAPI, Calif. (AP) — California prison officials are threatening to discipline thousands of inmates who are participating in a statewide hunger strike. Officials with the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation said Thursday that strike leaders could be placed in solitary confinement and followers could lose personal items from their cells. Strikers have been protesting conditions in solitary confinement cells and gang security measures, which they have alleged puts them in danger. The strike began Monday and includes 4,252 inmates in eight prisons. A previous hunger strike over the same issues in July involved 6,600 inmates at its peak. Inmates renewed the strike because they allege prison officials failed to follow through on promises made to end the July action. Officials said they are reviewing their policies, but the process takes several months.

## Choir

Brianna Bailey, assistant choir director. "For a competition, you have to keep pushing them to be better than they think they can be, and keep showing them what they can do to improve," said Fred Mays, head choir director. "Some of them are highly motivated and very competitive, and some of them don't really know how hard they have to work, so you have to teach them that, too." "A lot of the kids are motivated, because they want to be here," added Mays. "Music is a popular thing in their lives, and for many of these kids in here, they can't imagine life without music, and their involvement in it is because they love music, but it's also a social thing." Mays has taught for 36 years, 28 of them at PHS, and he feels that choir can help students foster confidence and skills that they will use for a lifetime. "It's always been neat to see how much kids grow," he said. "For a lot

of them, performing gives them the confidence to do other things, and I've had kids come through and get jobs later where they're managing things and they have to speak in front of people. They say, 'If I'd never performed, I'd never have done this.' So it does apply outside the music sometimes." Bailey, who graduated from PHS in 2004 before studying music education at West Texas A&M, has been busy since the first week of school preparing her students for not only the district audition, but for the upcoming musical. "We've already started rehearsals. We had auditions the first week of school. All of the cast comes from Concert Choir. And then we have younger kids who help with the lights and backstage," said Bailey. Jacob Frost, 17, who played the lead in last year's production of "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers," will return to the stage this November in

the role of Beast. "Last year was a lot of fun. There was a lot of responsibility in having to learn more lines than everyone else, and to try to be a leader by learning them before everyone else, so having something to aspire to. I think that was probably the hardest part," said Frost. "It makes me way more prepared for this one, because this time, on 'Beauty and the Beast,' there's a lot less singing for the lead guy," added Frost. "Gaston, the other lead man, has a lot more singing than the Beast, but the Beast is a much greater acting part, so I like that." Brittany Darnell, 16, will be making her acting debut in the role of Belle. She has been involved with choir since junior high. "She might get butterflies, she said, but never full-fledged stage fright. "Once you start getting used to it and you're doing it so often, you don't get as nervous any more," said

Darnell. "Your adrenaline takes over." Frost agreed. "I used to get nervous," he said. "You get the typical weird feeling in your stomach, like afraid that you're not going to make it, but that's really all it is." On October 6 at 7 p.m., the choir will hold their Fall Concert, and "Beauty and the Beast" will run November 17 through 21. Both events will take place at the M.K. Brown Auditorium.

## County

- Commissioners approved a grant with the Texas Department of Agriculture for Home Delivered Meal Grant Program.
- The commission approved a Gray County Jail contract with Swanson Commissary.
- The commission approved a series of tax bids on tax delinquent property.

- Commissioners approved an increase to indigent burial reimbursement, which now stands at \$625.
- They recognized the continuing education of Justice of the Peace for Precinct 1 and Precinct 3.
- Commissioners approved line item transfers.

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# Viewpoints

## Today in History

Today is Saturday, Oct. 1, the 274th day of 2011. There are 91 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**  
On Oct. 1, 1961, Roger Maris of the New York Yankees hit his 61st home run during a 162-game season, compared to Babe Ruth's 60 home runs during a 154-game season. (Tracy Stallard of the Boston Red Sox gave up the round-tripper; the Yankees won 1-0.)

**On this date:**  
In 1861, during the Civil War, the Confederate navy captured the Union steamer Fanny in North Carolina's Pamlico Sound.

In 1908, Henry Ford introduced his Model T automobile to the market.

In 1910, the offices of the *Los Angeles Times* were destroyed by a bomb explosion and fire; 21 Times employees were killed.

In 1936, Gen. Francisco Franco was proclaimed the head of an insurgent Spanish state.

In 1940, the first section of the Pennsylvania Turnpike, 160 miles in length, was opened to the public.

In 1949, Mao Zedong proclaimed the People's Republic of China during a ceremony in Beijing.

In 1964, the Free Speech Movement was launched at the University of California at Berkeley.

In 1971, Walt Disney World opened near Orlando, Fla.

In 1986, former President Jimmy Carter's presidential library and museum were dedicated in Atlanta with help from President Ronald Reagan.

In 1987, eight people were killed when an earthquake measuring magnitude 5.9 struck the Los Angeles area.

**Ten years ago:** New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, in an impassioned speech to the United Nations, said there was no room for "neutrality" in the global fight against terrorism. The Supreme Court suspended former President Bill Clinton from practicing before the high court. A Pakistan-based militant group attacked the state legislature in Indian-ruled Kashmir, killing 38 people.

**Five years ago:** Tiger Woods won the American Express Championship in Chandler's Cross, England. (It was his eighth victory of the year, making Woods the first player in PGA Tour history to win at least eight times in three seasons.)

**One year ago:** White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel, planning an ultimately successful Chicago mayoral run, relinquished his post to Pete Rouse.

**Today's Birthdays:** Former President Jimmy Carter is 87. Pianist Roger Williams is 87. Actress-singer Julie Andrews is 76. Actress Stella Stevens is 73. Rock musician Jerry Martini (Sly and the Family Stone) is 68. Jazz musician Dave Holland is 65. Actor Stephen Collins is 64. Actress Yvette Freeman is 61. Actor Randy Quaid is 61. Rhythm-and-blues singer Howard Hewett is 56. Alt-country-rock musician Tim O'Reagar (The Jayhawks) is 53. Singer Youssou N'Dour is 52. Actor Esai Morales is 49. Retired MLB All-Star Mark McGwire is 48. Actor Christopher Titus is 47. Actress-model Cindy Margolis is 46. Rock singer-musician Kevin Griffin (Better Than Ezra) is 43. Actor Zach Galifianakis is 42. Singer Keith Duffy is 37. Actress Sarah Drew is 31. Actress Junee Smollett is 25. Actress Brie Larson is 22.

**Thought for Today:** "Everybody favors free speech in the slack moments when no axes are being ground." — Heywood C. Brown, *American Journalist*

## Comic book rants show misplaced priorities

I'm going to talk about comic books today. Chances are pretty good that no one's going to know what I'm talking about — which I think, frankly, is part of the problem, considering the spotlight that's been shined on the medium by some pundits in the media lately.

Back in August, Marvel Comics made the call to kill off Peter Parker and debut a new character as Spider-Man in its "Ultimate Universe" line of comics.

The Ultimate Universe — bear with me here, I'm going to hum in my native nerdy tongue for a few bars — is a group of Marvel copyrighted comics set in an alternate world, where different versions of familiar Marvel characters like the X-Men, Iron Man and Captain America were given new back stories to appeal to new readers.

Here's the hitch: New Spidey is black.

New Spider-Man is Miles Morales, a half-black, half-Puerto Rican kid who inherits the mantle after Ultimate Universe Peter Parker is shot. The roar from the right was short-lived, but cacophonous.

Lou Dobbs was outraged, crying bloody murder over the replacement of the white Peter Parker on his FOX News show, all the while clearly unaware that actual, non-alternate universe Peter Parker still exists as Spider-Man in Marvel's main line of comics. Glenn Beck went so far as to blame the First Lady, claiming that "a lot of this stuff is being done intentionally" because of Michelle Obama saying that "we're going to have to change our country's traditions."

Beck, to some small credit, does acknowledge that poor old Miles (whose comic, I've heard, is actually quite good) is not the mainstream Spidey. He then goes on to say that it's just "a stupid comic book," but that just begs the question of why he brought it up in the first place.

It's not the first time this year that Beck has forayed into superhero soap boxing. In April, he railed about a panel in Action Comics #900 in which Superman, long connected to the American way, appears to renounce his U.S. citizenship.

"Indoctrination," Beck called it, never mind that an actual contextual reading would have revealed that Superman's beef is more about being the government's shill than a red-blooded American.

Now, I was an unabashed comic book reader growing up, and there's a lot that I've gained over the years from being one. I learned racial tolerance from the X-Men, controlling your emotions from the Hulk and helping the little guy from Green Arrow. And

it pains me to see people who don't know or care about the medium — and who obviously haven't done their research — to use it to grandstand an agenda.

Well, fast forward to last week, when DC Comics rolled out a revamped version of Starfire for its reinvented main line of comic books. Starfire, to the non-geek-informed, is an orange-skinned, flame-haired alien princess who fights evil with the Teen Titans, a team which includes kid-friendly characters like Robin and Wonder Girl.

Or, she was, anyway, until last week, when DC made the editorial decision to change the character. She's still got the trademark orange skin and fiery hair, so there's that. But the new Starfire's debut was conspicuous for the character's depiction as emerging out of a lake in a purple string bikini, dripping wet in an angle that clearly draws the eye to her very impressive chest.

It's a jarring image (Google it if you don't believe me), even to a desensitized eye. If that's not enough, it's been leaked that the apparent original plan was for her already tiny swimsuit to also be semi-transparent. Oh, and she spends the rest of the comic gratuitously posing on the beach and propositioning a teammate for casual sex.

Now, admittedly, my inner 13-year-old has no problem with this, but that pesky social conscience that I grew at some point is having some real issues.

The public outrage, so far, has been muted and almost explicitly reserved for the small corner of the Internet inhabited by female comic book bloggers. Taken at face value, that may appear to be just about the right place for it, until you zoom out a little and look at the big picture.

Starfire was one of the stars of Cartoon Network's highly watched and critically acclaimed "Teen Titans" series, which ran for five seasons in the mid-2000s. The show, which tended to skew to a young audience with its anime-like art style and quirky, kid-targeted humor, was a hit with children, particularly in the 4- to 8-year-old demographic, and earned a particular fanbase with girls because of its two strong female main characters. Even now, the show maintains a hardcore group of loyal fans and has seen a resurgence thanks to its spot on Cartoon Network's sister network, Boomerang. Many of those young



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fans were then attracted to the comic books, and quite a few are readers now.

One of those young female fans the show ushered into the comics was my 8-year-old cousin, Macy. (Cute as a button, by the way. Looks just like the little girl from "Monsters, Inc.," but I digress.) Starfire is her favorite superhero, in large part because of the cartoon. I chatted with her on Wednesday about what's been done to her beloved crime-fighting alien princess.

"She didn't do anything," Macy said. "She was just almost naked and posing a lot. It wasn't right."

"What do you mean?" I said.

"She was almost naked," Macy said.

"I could see all of her boobs almost. And she wasn't doing superhero stuff," she continued. "She was just, um... in a bikini on the beach so boys would look."

"So what do you want her to do?" I asked.

"Like, superhero stuff," Macy said. "Fight bad guys and do good stuff, because it makes girls like me want to do good stuff. Not fight, but help people and be strong and stuff."

"You're a sharp tack, Mace," I said.

"You're silly," she shot back.

I'm glad I heard from Macy on the subject; even at 8, she's smart enough to spot a bad example when she sees one. She's not the only one; a contributor to futurist blog IO9.com had a similar conversation with her 7-year-old daughter. Still, the decision by a major media company to turn one of its most little-girl-friendly characters into an over-sexualized slice of scenery is disconcerting at best and downright irresponsible at worst, and that's not even taking into account the fact that we're objectifying women on a stage that millions of young boys see all the time.

And what of the suddenly comic-interested talking heads at FOX News and the radio and the rest? Starfire's no Spidey or Superman, but if a wall-crawler of a different race is enough to set off the airwaves, I'd think that a culturally responsible pundit would take the time to make a mention of the damage the new Star can do to young kids. Unless, you know, they only jumped on those other things to fan some flames at America's lowest common denominator.

I'd like to think that, anyway, but I haven't heard a peep. The silence, to me, is more powerful than a locomotive.

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## Leadership Pampa kicks off on Tuesday

### Coming Clean

At the Biz 2 Biz networking event in August, I won a wash and vac job from M&S Automotive. The small showers we've had kept me from claiming the prize, but this week I managed to get my van down there. When it came back, I didn't recognize it. I don't believe it has EVER been that clean—especially on the inside.

### "Just one word, Ben...plastics."

Part of the fun of this job is being totally surprised by some business-ess. I had seen and heard of "Chief Plastic" ever since I've been here. I assumed they supplied pipe and other materials to the oilfield. I couldn't have been more wrong.

They had a rather large item to place in the Country Fair auction, so I went by to pick it up.

The yards was full of reels of plastic pipe of all kinds, but as I drove in, I noticed a sign that said "Do It Yourself." Managing VP Gail Barrett took me to the showroom across the street to pick up the auction item, I was blown away. Chief Plastic Pipe & Supply, Inc (their full and legal name) sells plumbing supplies to plumbers, homeowners, landlords—anybody that needs plumbing supplies.

But they also have an array of items you wouldn't expect—including wooden outdoor furniture. The next time you're on S. Barnes (what Cuyler turns into) stop in and see

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### Finger Lickin' Pickin'

Don't miss the concert at the Chamber's MK Brown Room on Tuesday at 7 p.m. Richard Smith and Julie Adams

are making their third appearance in Pampa. It is difficult to say enough about the ability of these two to entertain. Just come by on Tuesday night with 15 bucks (it's well worth it!) and find out for yourself!

### Looking for a few good men...and women

On Tuesday at noon, there will be a meeting to discuss establishing a "Leadership Pampa" group here. This is a program designed to seek out the finest young leaders in Pampa and prepare them for positions of public decision making.

Its purpose is to identify potential community leaders and acquaint them with the issues concerning the city.

Personally, I am not as familiar with the program as I would like to be, but we have lots of resources available.

Interested parties are invited to attend Tuesday and learn with the rest of us. Sandwiches will be provided, but we need a head count so we can have enough.

If you plan to attend, call us at 669.3241 or email [exec@pampachamber.com](mailto:exec@pampachamber.com).

### Your Chance to Win...Revised

Last week I posed a quiz. A couple of hardy souls responded—incorrectly, but I applaud their efforts.

So here it is again, with a couple of hints—and the first one who emails me ([exec@pampachamber.com](mailto:exec@pampachamber.com)) with the correct answer will win a Pampa mug!

Besides being names of towns and cities, what do Farris, Reno, Gilmore, Crawford, and Clinton have in common? First hint—these are NOT cities. Second hint—add "Aubrey" to the list.

### What's in a name...

At a meeting this week I was telling Ken May what I had said about Billy Dean and Bill Roy apparently having no last name. Arnie piped up and said, "I like Ken's name — it's an entire sentence by itself."

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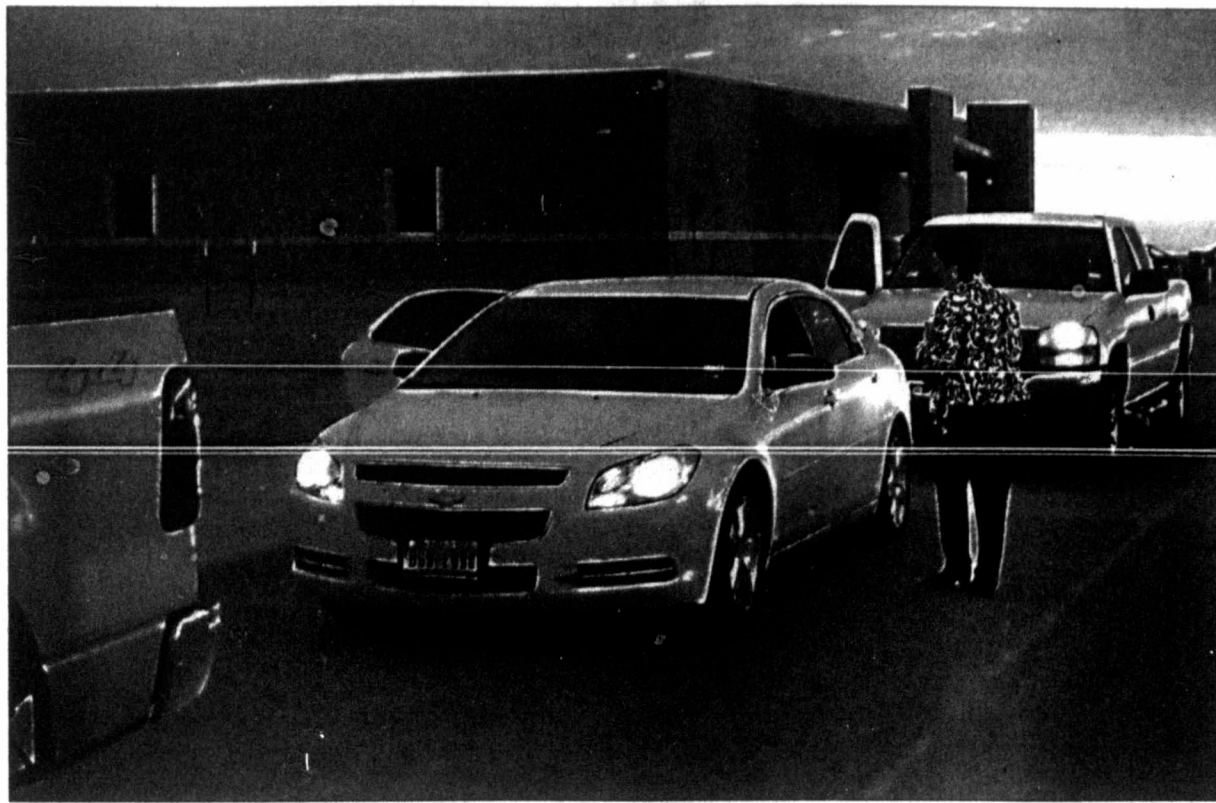


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**Pampa Junior High School** and principal Janet Hancock (pictured) recently welcomed parents for the 2011-2012 school year by handing out donut holes in 400 sacks decorated by PJHS art students to symbolize their dedication to educating the "hole" student. Parents were asked to take an on-line survey to help the school access what they were doing well and where improvement is needed.

# Clarendon judging teams earn honors

**CLARENDON** — The Clarendon College judging teams recently competed at the Tri-State Fair in Amarillo and in the Garden City Contest and Butler Community College Contest, both in Kansas.

At the Tri-State Fair, the sophomore team won second out of 9 teams. John Baker of Dumas was the third highest in individual judging. Savannah Williams of Nocona was fifth and James Jesko of Muleshoe was seventh. The freshman team won third out of 13 teams in its division. Jacey Bauer of Navasota was fourth individually and Ellen Bardwell of Edgewood, NM, was ninth.

In Kansas, the meats team placed first out of 10 colleges. Individually, Clayton Krause of Canyon Lake netted the highest points. Kaitlyn Meyer of Temple was second high point; Carson Mitchell of Lamesa was third; Nick Hardcastle of Wheeler was fourth; and Luke Sellers of Denver City was sixth. Other team members include Logan Mason of Muleshoe; Caetlyn Avant of Copeville; John Baker of Dumas; Tyler Crafton of Henrietta; and Shelby McClain of Lodi, Calif.

The sophomore livestock team placed 11th out of 22 teams and the freshmen placed ninth out of 31 teams at Butler CC.

# Climatologist: Drought could last until 2020

**AUSTIN, (AP)** — The state climatologist for Texas says the record drought of 2011 could be only the beginning of a dry spell that could last until 2020.

State climatologist John Nielsen-Gammon tells the *Austin American-Statesman* that water planning is often based on standards set by the previous record drought of the 1950s, which lasted nearly 10 years.

He says that, "sooner or later, there will be a drought that's worse" than the previous standard-setter.

# Sunday in History

*Tomorrow is Sunday, Oct. 2, the 275th day of 2011. There are 90 days left in the year.*

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 2, 1967, Thurgood Marshall was sworn as an associate justice of the U.S. Supreme Court as the court opened its new term.

### On this date:

In 1780, British spy John Andre was hanged in Tappan, N.Y., during the Revolutionary War.

In 1835, the first battle of the Texas Revolution took place as American settlers fought Mexican soldiers near the Guadalupe River; the Mexicans ended up withdrawing.

In 1919, President Woodrow Wilson suffered a serious stroke at the White House that left him paralyzed on his left side.

In 1941, during World War II, German armies launched an all-out drive against Moscow.

In 1944, Nazi troops crushed the two-month-old Warsaw Uprising, during which a quarter of a million people were killed.

In 1950, the comic strip "Peanuts," created by Charles M. Schulz, was syndicated to seven newspapers.

In 1961, the TV game show "Password" premiered on CBS with host Allen Ludden and celebrity guests Kitty Carlisle and Tom Poston.

The medical drama "Ben Casey," starring Vince Edwards and Sam Jaffe, premiered on ABC.

In 1970, one of two chartered twin-engine planes flying the Wichita State University football team to Utah crashed into a mountain near Silver Plume, Colo., killing 31 of the 40 people on board.

In 1971, the music program "Soul Train" made its debut in national syndication.

In 1985, actor Rock Hudson died at his home in Beverly Hills, Calif., at age 59 after battling AIDS.

**Ten years ago:** NATO Secretary-General Lord Robertson said the United States had provided "clear and conclusive" evidence of Osama bin Laden's involvement in the attacks on New York and Washington. Acting Massachusetts Gov. Jane Swift unveiled security measures that included a new security chief at Logan International Airport, where hijackers had boarded the two planes that smashed into the World Trade Center.

**Five years ago:** Charles Carl Roberts IV, an armed milk truck driver, took a group of girls hostage in an Amish schoolhouse in Nickel Mines, Pa., killing five of the girls and wounding five others before committing suicide. Americans Andrew Z. Fire and Craig C. Mello won the Nobel Prize in medicine. Actress Tamara Dobson died in Baltimore, Md., at age 59.

**One year ago:** A coalition of progressive and civil rights groups marched by the thousands on the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, D.C., and pledged to support Democrats struggling to keep power on Capitol Hill.

**Today's Birthdays:** Country singer-musician Leon Rausch (Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys) is 84. Retired MLB All-Star Maury Wills is 79. Movie critic Rex Reed is 73. Singer-songwriter Don McLean is 66. Cajun/country singer Jo-el Sonnier is 65. Actor Avery Brooks is 63. Fashion designer Donna Karan is 63. Photographer Annie Leibovitz is 62. Rock musician Mike Rutherford (Genesis, Mike & the Mechanics) is 61. Singer-actor Sting is 60. Actress Lorraine Bracco is 57. Country musician Greg Jennings (Restless Heart) is 57. Rock singer Phil Oakey (The Human League) is 56. Rhythm-and-blues singer Freddie Jackson is 53. Singer-producer Robbie Nevil is 53. Retro-soul singer James Hunter is 49. Rock musician Bud Gaugh (Sublime, Eyes Adrift) is 44. Folk-country singer Gillian Welch is 44. Country singer Kelly Willis is 43. Rhythm-and-blues singer Dion Allen (Az Yet) is 41. Actress-talk show host Kelly Ripa is 41. Singer Tiffany is 40. Rock singer Lene Nystrom is 38. Actor Efrén Ramirez is 38. Rhythm-and-blues singer LaTocha Scott (Xscape) is 38. Gospel singer Mandisa is 35. Rock musician Mike Rodden (Hinder) is 29.

**Thought for Today:** "It's a funny thing about life; if you refuse to accept anything but the best, you very often get it." - W. Somerset Maugham, English writer (1874-1965).

# School threats spread to Monterrey suburbs

**MONTERREY, Mexico** (AP) — Banners similar to those left by Mexican drug cartels appeared Thursday threatening to attack schools in three communities outside the northern Mexico city of Monterrey.

Similar banners and messages left near schools in the southern city of Acapulco led dozens of grade schools to close in late August.

But there was no immediate indication that the banners left in communities in the township of Santiago on the outskirts of Monterrey would affect classes there.

Santiago Mayor Vladimiro Montalvo Salas said he asked state and federal authorities to step up security in the township, but urged parents to continue sending their children to school.

Montalvo Salas said he hoped the banners were just a bad joke.

He said state police had taken down the banners, adding that it was unclear whether they contained any demands for protection payments as the messages in Acapulco did.

Drug gangs are known to operate in and around Monterrey. Last year, Montalvo Salas' predecessor as mayor was killed.

Santiago was once considered a quiet, bucolic weekend getaway for Monterrey residents, drawn by the town's quaint colonial-style streets. But the violent Zetas cartel began operating in the area

around 2010.

In Acapulco, teachers agreed Thursday to gradually reopen dozens of grade schools that have missed classes, some since late August. The reopening is scheduled to begin Monday.

Arturo Martinez, the spokesman for the government of Guerrero state, where Acapulco is located, said Gov. Angel Aguirre had signed an agreement with leaders of local teachers unions pledging increased security for schools that were targeted by threats and extortion demands.

Estimates vary on how many schools were affected. Edith Zurita Petatan, spokeswoman for striking teachers, claimed hundreds of schools shut down in the seaside city of almost 800,000 people. The state government said only about 50 schools closed.

Elsewhere in Mexico on Thursday, the navy reported that marines had killed suspected cartel gunmen in a shootout in Veracruz state on Mexico's Gulf coast.

The marines were responding to a complaint about armed men in the area around the city of Cosamaloapan when the gunmen opened fire on the patrol, the navy said.

Marines reported finding three rifles, drugs and a sport utility vehicle at the scene of Thursday's confrontation.

The Zetas cartel also operates in that area.

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## CLUB NEWS

### Altrusa International

Altrusa International, Inc. of Pampa, Texas, met September 27, 2011, at First United Methodist Church with President Rochelle Lacy presiding. Linda Weaver served as greeter.

Mary McDaniel gave the Accent on efficient committee planning for successful projects.

Faustina Curry presented a program on PAWS (Pampa Animal Welfare Society). Curry, who serves as president of PAWS, spoke on the purpose of the organization including improving the facilities at the animal shelter and seeking adoptions of the animals.

The following announcements were made:

**Make a Difference Day:** Kerrick Horton announced that a drive for supplies to be used for PAWS would be held on October 22 in observance of Make a Difference Day. Pampa veterinarians will also be speaking to the elementary students on the care of animals.



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Altrusa International of Pampa and Pampa Rotary Club joined forces to raise money for two Pampa girls who have been granted wishes. Gray Pampa Foundation helped them reach the \$14,000 needed. Altrusan Kitty Hall (right) presents the check to Meagan Szydoski, Make A Wish Foundation of North Texas representative.

**Veterans Day:** Donna Turner reported on duties needed for the Veterans Day, November 11, celebration. Members were asked to volunteer for various duties for the project.

Members are invited to a party at the Sparkman Ranch on October 8. Reservations should be made by October 3. The next meeting will be held October 11, 2011, at noon at First United Methodist Church.

### Lutheran Women's Missionary League



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Zion Lutheran Church's Lutheran Women's Missionary League held its annual luncheon for women and teen girls on Saturday, Sept. 17, at the church. LWML members include (front, from left) Mona Franke, Jimmie Kock, Norine Greer, Ruth Riehart; (back, from left) Esther McAdoo, Frances May, Mary Lou Chambers and Kathy Hammer. Not present for photo: Edetta Grange.

## Weekly Menus

### Pampa Independent School District

**MONDAY, Oct. 3**  
Peanut butter and jelly uncrustable, pig in a blanket (Wilson and PJHS only) or chicken nuggets, green beans, sliced carrots, mixed fruit. **Breakfast:** French toast sticks, syrup.

**TUESDAY, Oct. 4**  
Ravioli or mini twin cheeseburgers, corn, western beans, pears, garlic toast. **Breakfast:** Biscuit and gravy.

### Pampa Meals on Wheels

**MONDAY, Oct. 3**  
Corn dogs, macaroni/cheese, pork beans, mixed fruit

**TUESDAY, Oct. 4**  
Mexican casserole, spanish rice, pinto beans, salad, peaches

**WEDNESDAY, Oct. 5**  
Meatloaf, peas/carrots, potato casserole, pudding

**THURSDAY, Oct. 6**  
Chicken strips, mashed potatoes, green beans, sugarless cake

**FRIDAY, Oct. 7**  
Beef tips/rice, cream corn, baked apple, cookies

### Pampa Senior Citizens Center

**MONDAY, Oct. 3**  
Chicken fried steak or taco salad, mashed potatoes, hominy, spinach, pinto beans, slaw, tossed, Jell-o, carrot cake, lemon pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread.

**TUESDAY, Oct. 4**  
Mushroom chicken/angel hair pasta or Salisbury steak, steak fries, beets, buttered corn, northern beans, slaw, tossed, Jell-o, banana bunt cake, chocolate icebox pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread.

**WEDNESDAY, Oct. 5**  
Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, fried squash, green bean casserole, beans, slaw, tossed, Jell-o, marble cake, bread pudding, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread.

**THURSDAY, Oct. 6**  
Chicken strips or meatloaf, potatoes, veggies, carrots, peas, beans, slaw, tossed, Jell-o, black forest cake, cherry cobbler, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread.

**FRIDAY, Oct. 7**  
Cod fish, hushpuppies, beef stew, potato wedges, brussels sprouts, beans, slaw, tossed, Jell-o, brownies, tapioca cup, fruit cup, garlic breadstick, hot roll, cornbread.

**WEDNESDAY, Oct. 5**  
Breakfast for lunch or steak fingers, potato rounds, rosey applesauce, biscuit. **Breakfast:** Cinnamon pastries.

**THURSDAY, Oct. 6**  
Philly steak sandwich or pizza, English peas, tossed salad, mandarin oranges. **Breakfast:** Pancake 'n' sausage on a stick.

**FRIDAY, Oct. 7**  
Bean & cheese burrito or hot dog, French fries, tossed salad, fresh fruit, cookie, Spanish rice. **Breakfast:** Cereal, toast.

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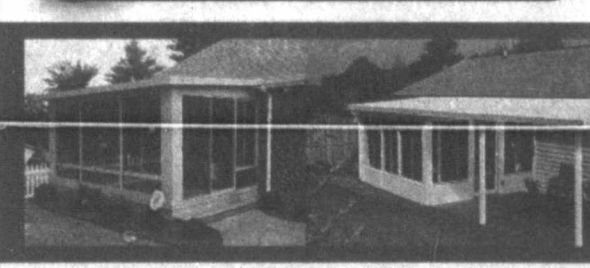
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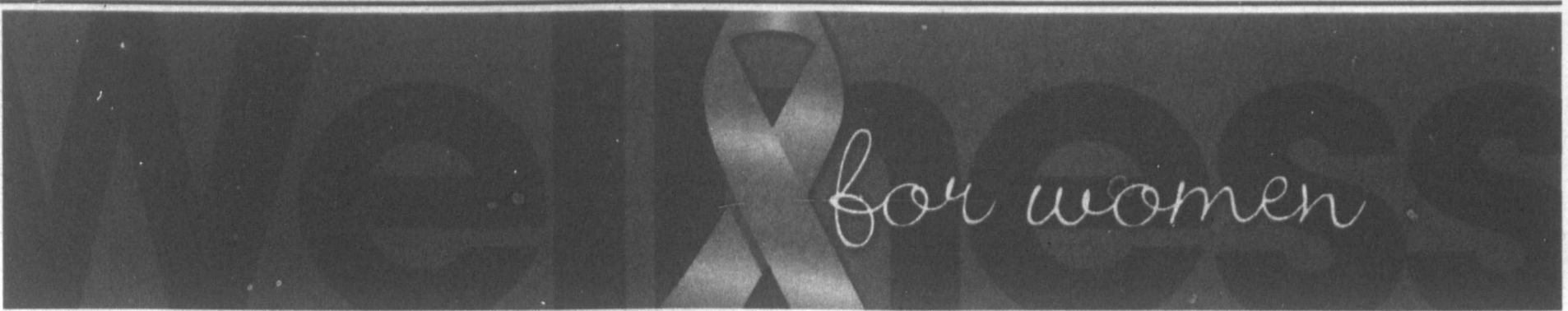
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# Breast Cancer Awareness Month

## Awareness and knowledge- a friend when fighting breast cancer

**W**hen diagnosed with breast cancer, women are often filled with questions. What is the survival rate? Can breast cancer spread to other parts of my body? What does this mean for my family?

Such questions are common, and it's perfectly alright and even beneficial for women diagnosed with breast cancer to ask as many questions as possible to better understand the disease. Though each individual's experience with breast cancer is unique, upon diagnosis the doctor will determine which stage that cancer is in. Determining the stage of the cancer is based on:

- the size of the cancer
- if the cancer is invasive or noninvasive
- whether or not the cancer is in the lymph nodes
- if the cancer has spread to other parts of the body

Upon diagnosis, the doctor will also discuss if the cancer is local, regional or distant. Local means the cancer is confined to the breast, while regional means the cancer has spread to the lymph nodes, most likely those in the armpit. If the doctor says the cancer is distant, that means it has been found in other parts of the body. If the tumors involve the breast skin, the underlying chest structures, have changed the breast's shape, and enlarged the lymph nodes, the doctor will then likely determine the cancer is locally advanced or regionally advanced.

Survival rates have increased dramatically over the last 30 years. Much of this is thanks to research, but increased awareness of breast cancer has also played a role in the significantly improved survival rates. Part of that awareness includes taking steps as a young woman to reduce risk for breast cancer. Steps such as adopting a healthier diet, learning about family history with breast cancer and undergoing routine checkups can greatly improve a woman's chances of beating breast cancer. Survival rates depend on a host of factors, including the stage of the cancer at diagnosis. Women who understand the stages of breast cancer and the role they play in surviving the disease might be more inclined to take steps that reduce

their risk.

• **Stage 0:** Though the best breast cancer diagnosis is no diagnosis at all, women diagnosed with stage 0 breast cancer can breathe somewhat easy. Stage 0 means the cancer is noninvasive and there is no evidence that the cancer cells or the noncancerous abnormal cells have spread beyond the part of the breast where they originated.

• **Stage I:** A stage 1 diagnosis means the cancer is invasive, and the cancer cells are beginning to invade normal cells around the breast tissue. However, a stage 1 diagnosis means the lymph nodes have not been invaded.

• **Stage II:** Stage II is divided into the subcategories of IIA or IIB. A stage IIA diagnosis can mean any of the following:

- no tumor has been found in the breast, but cancer cells are in the lymph nodes under the arm; or

- the tumor in the breast is 2 cm or smaller and has spread to the lymph nodes under the arm; or

- the tumor in the breast is between 2 to 5 cm but has not spread to the lymph nodes under the arm.

A stage IIB diagnosis means the cancer is invasive and:

- the tumor is between 2 to 5 cm and has spread to the lymph nodes under the arm; or

- the tumor is larger than 5 cm but has not spread to the lymph nodes under the arm

• **Stage III:** Similar to stage II, a stage III diagnosis will be divided into subcategories. But stage III breast cancer will be diagnosed as IIIA, IIIB or IIIC. In stage IIIA breast cancer:

- no tumor is found, but cancer has been found in the lymph nodes under the arm; these lymph nodes will be clumped together or sticking to other structures or the cancer may have spread to lymph nodes near the breastbone; or

- the cancer is any size and has to spread to the lymph nodes under the arm, which are clumped together and sticking to other structures

A stage IIIB diagnosis means:

- the cancer may be any size and has spread to the skin of breast and/or the chest wall; and

- the cancer may have spread to the lymph nodes under the arm, where they will be clumped together or sticking to other structures; or the cancer may have spread to the lymph nodes near the breastbone.

Symptoms of stage IIIB breast cancer can include reddening of a significant portion of the breast skin, swelling of the breast and a warm feeling at the touch.

A stage IIIC diagnosis means:

- there may be no sign of cancer in the breast

- if there is a tumor, it can be any size and may have spread to the chest wall and/or the skin of the breast; and

- the cancer has spread to the lymph nodes above or below the collarbone; and

- the cancer may have spread to the lymph nodes under the arm or near the breastbone.

• **Stage IV:** A stage IV diagnosis means the cancer has spread beyond the breast and local lymph nodes to other organs of the body. This can include the skin, bones, liver, lungs, distant lymph nodes, or even the brain.

A stage IV diagnosis might be a recurrence of a previous breast cancer, but it's also possible to get a stage IV diagnosis at first diagnosis.

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## WEDDING BELLS



Chance Bowers and Bailey Adcock

### Adcock, Bowers to wed on New Year's Eve 2011

Mr. DeWayne Adcock and Ms. Kathy Adcock, both of Miami, TX announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Bailey Anne Adcock, to Mr. Chance William Bowers.

Bailey is a 2008 graduate of Miami High School and is currently attending WTAMU, pursuing a degree in Education.

Bailey is the granddaughter of Bob and Glenda Adcock of Miami, Texas Leroy Kuykendall of Oologah, Oklahoma; and Mary Horton of Lowell, Arkansas.

Chance Bowers is the son of Charles and Janyth

Bowers of Pampa, Texas. Chance is a 2004 graduate of Pampa High School. He graduated from TCU in 2007, with a Ranch Management Degree and also graduated from WTAMU with a degree in Agricultural Education in 2008. Chance is currently employed by X cross X Ltd., a corporation that he started with his brothers.

Chance is the grandson of Mr. Joel and Joyce Lackey of Spearman, Texas and the late Mr. Paul and Janie Bowers of Pampa, Texas.

After a New Year's Eve wedding, the couple will make their home in Borger.



Alisha and Matthew Bailey

### Pampa's Furnish, Bailey exchange vows Aug. 13

Alisha Ranai Furnish and Matthew John Bailey, both of Pampa, exchanged wedding vows, August 13, 2011, at Central Baptist Church with Norman Rushing officiating.

Alisha is the daughter of Jay and Karen Furnish of Pampa and the granddaughter of Guy and Delois Cook of Plainview.

Matt is the son of John and Deborah Bailey and the grandson of Edna O'Neal, all of Pampa.

The maid of honor was Brandi Brasiel, cousin of the bride. Bridal attendants were Summer Parsons, cousin of the groom, Chelsea Malone, cousin of the bride and Luzann Bailey, sister-in-law of the bride. The best man was Jarrett Parsons, cousin of the groom. Groomsmen were Mark Bailey, brother of the groom, Luke Bailey, brother of the groom and

Seth Lewis, cousin of the groom. Flower girl was Addison Parsons, cousin of the groom. Ring bearer was Lane Bailey, nephew of the groom. Ushers were Tanner Malone, cousin of the bride, and Channing Maul, cousin of the groom. Candlelighting was by Briley Chadwick, cousin of the groom.

The reception, dinner and dance were held at the AmeriInn Event Center with music provided by Amarillo DJ. The couple has made Pampa their home.

Alisha is a 2002 graduate of Pampa High School and is employed at Pampa Regional Medical Center as a surgical tech.

Matt is a 1997 graduate of Pampa High School and Amarillo College and is employed as manager of Caremor Health Care Services in Pampa.



Jennifer and Thomas Thompson

### Hopcus, Thompson married Aug. 6

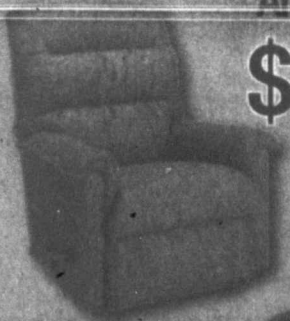
Thomas Blaine Thompson and Jennifer Renea Hopcus of Norman, OK were married August 6, 2011 at a 7:30 p.m. ceremony at the Lake Hamilton Estates in Hot Springs, Arkansas. They will make their home in Norman, Ok.

Their parents are Gale and Tom Thompson of Pampa, Jennifer's mother is Yvonne Smith of Arkansas.

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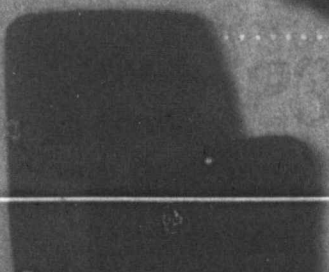
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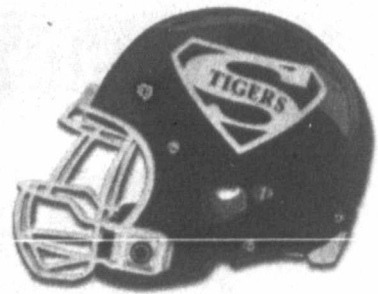
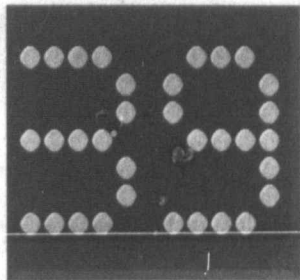
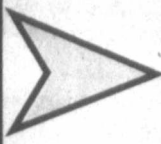
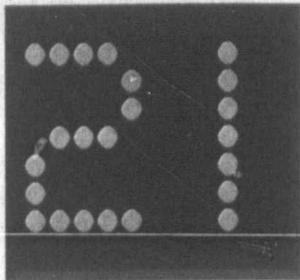
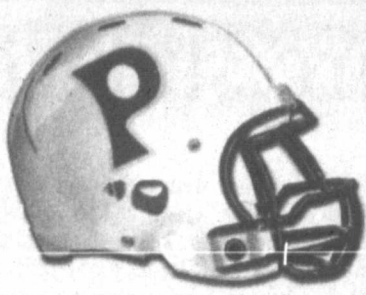
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## Harvesters' rally falls short, No. 11 Tigers prevail

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The question entering Friday's game at Harvester Field was, do the No. 11 Snyder Tigers live up to their hype or do the underdog Pampa Harvesters rise to the occasion? Though Pampa stepped up in the second half, Snyder's strong first half was too much to overcome in a 39-21 loss.

Head coach Heath Parker said his offense was able to make adjustments in the second half.

"We might have had a different game if we scored points in the red zone," Parker said. "(Snyder) is the number one team in the region for a reason. We struggled to get anything going in the first half. We found some formations that worked in the second half and got things going."

Junior running back Samuel Smith said the team looked too much at Snyder's legacy in the beginning.

"In the second half, we realized they weren't as good as we thought," Smith said.

The Snyder offense dominated the first quarter running 26 plays to Pampa's seven. Much of the Tigers' success was due to their ability to convert on third downs, as they converted their first seven.

Senior quarterback Keenon Ward's running ability helped lead the Tigers on two scoring drives. Senior running back Alex Rivera put Snyder on the board with a pass to sophomore receiver Guillermo Rodriguez. Ward scored on a three-yard run towards the end of the first quarter to put Snyder ahead 12-0.

Parker said Ward was as good as advertised.

"We wish him all the luck," Parker said. "I'm sure we will see him on TV someday."

The Harvesters struggled to move the ball in the first half, which was mostly due to their lack of a running game. Snyder's ability to get in the backfield and swarm the ball carrier contributed to that. The Harvesters rushed for negative eight yards in the first half.

Junior Andrew Jimenez said the offensive line tried harder in the second half.

"We got on our blocks better,"

Jimenez said.

Pampa only had 100 yards of total offense in the first half, with most of it coming on a 66-yard pass from senior Reid Miller to senior Latigo Collins.

Snyder's defense helped its cause in the second quarter, forcing three turnovers resulting in 13 points. Sophomore Felix Martinez intercepted a Miller pass in the end zone. Senior Jason Mendoza recovered a Smith fumble at the Harvesters' 26. Senior Isaiah Alvarado intercepted a pass at the end of the half. Pampa trailed 25-0 at halftime.

After both teams played a scoreless third, the Harvesters got on the board. Smith helped Pampa move the ball, picking up three first downs on rushes of 11 to 14 yards. Miller found Collins at the corner of the end zone for a 17-yard touchdown pass. Smith said everyone stepped up in the second half.

"We just locked in," Smith said. "We planted our feet and got after it."

Senior Scott Kelly played fullback for the first time this season and made several key blocks that helped spring Smith. Kelly said it was fun playing in the backfield.

"It was hard at first finding people," Kelly said. "I got the hang of it as the game went on."

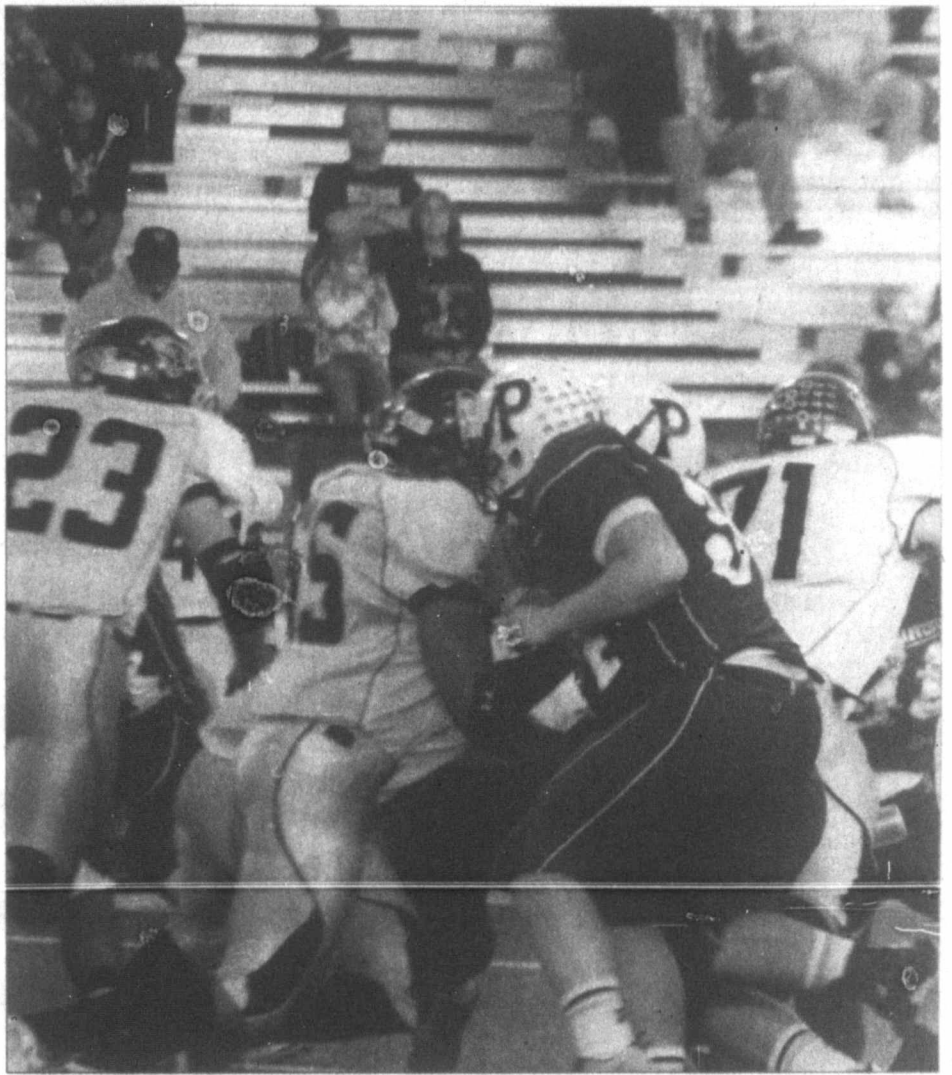
Snyder quickly took the momentum back as Ward rushed to the outside for an 80-yard touchdown. Pampa responded as Smith ran up the middle and carried it to the outside for a 73-yard touchdown. The Tigers answered back with Ward bursting a 51-yard run to the Harvesters' 16. Alvarado finished the drive with a nine-yard touchdown run. Pampa scored one more time with Smith scoring on a three-yard run with 2:06 left.

Smith said the team's confidence shot through the roof after the first score.

"We got that first touchdown and got excited," Smith said. "Then we started playing football again."

Parker said his team needs to be more patient when playing a high caliber opponent.

"I think the next step for our team to learn is, when you are playing a really good opponent, good things may not happen early," Parker said. "You have to stay patient and stay in the game. Take your best shots and eventually wear them down."



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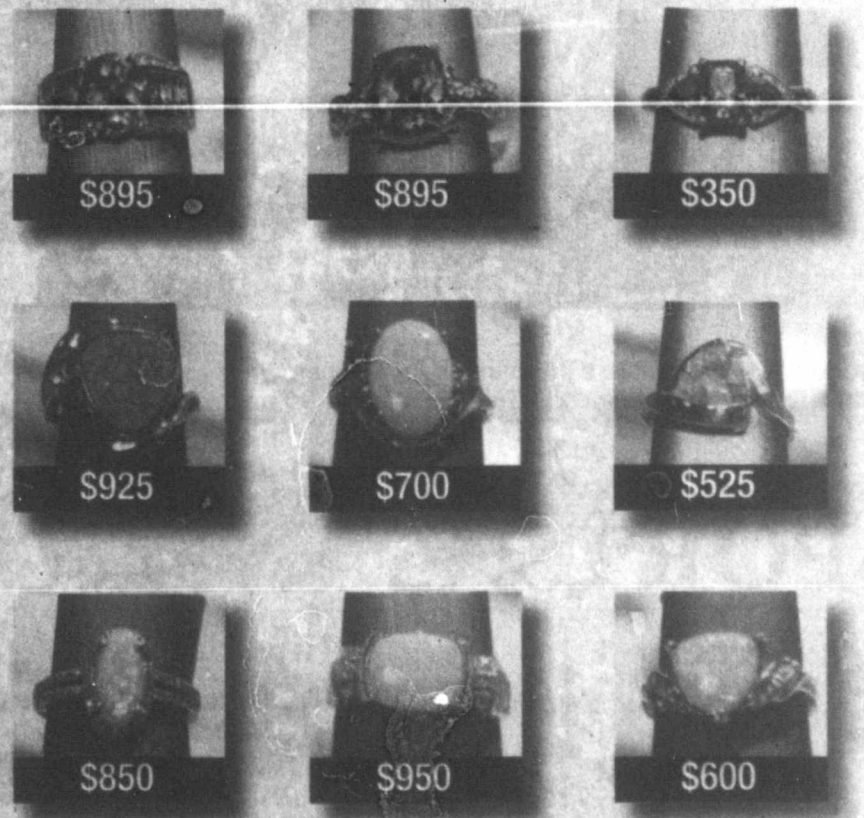
Senior Ryne Richardson tries to get off of Snyder's Chris Garza's block Friday. The Harvesters lost 39-21 to the No. 11 Tigers at Harvester Field.



staff photo by Ryan Frazier

Pampa's defensive line looks to break through Snyder's offensive line Friday. The Harvesters allowed over 320 yards rushing.

## OCTOBER IS OPAL MONTH



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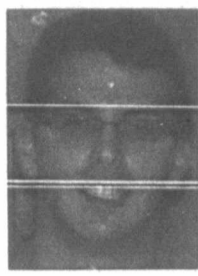
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# Sports

## Lady Harvesters show Borger they are still No. 1

Tuesday night at McNeely Fieldhouse, the No. 13 Pampa Lady Harvesters and the Borger Lady Bulldogs met for the first time since Borger's playoff victory in November. In the district opener, both teams had the opportunity to make a statement. For Pampa it was to prove that it is still the number one team in District 1-3A. For Borger it was to prove that its playoff victory was no fluke and it is really the number one team in the district.



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Harvesters were going to cruise, as the Lady Bulldogs were left sniffing the dust of Pampa racing out to a 25-11 Game One victory. That's when Borger turned the momentum. The problem the Lady Harvesters have faced throughout the season reared its ugly head again as Pampa started the second game slowly after a strong victory in the first. Serving errors and bad touches led the Lady Bulldogs to a Game Two victory and had the Lady Harvester faithful holding their breath as the match was tied.

How Pampa responded was key in determining the outcome of the evening. It could have been very easy for the Lady

Harvesters to sulk and say to themselves, "Maybe Borger is actually better than us." That was not the team's mindset as it took the court fired up, encouraging each other and determined to grab a 2-1 edge in the match. Midway through the game, the Lady Harvesters got their break and took advantage, not letting the Lady Bulldogs sniff a victory. Earlier in the season, Game Three would have gone down to the wire, but Tuesday the Lady Harvesters claimed a resounding seven-point victory by pushing harder when they gained momentum.

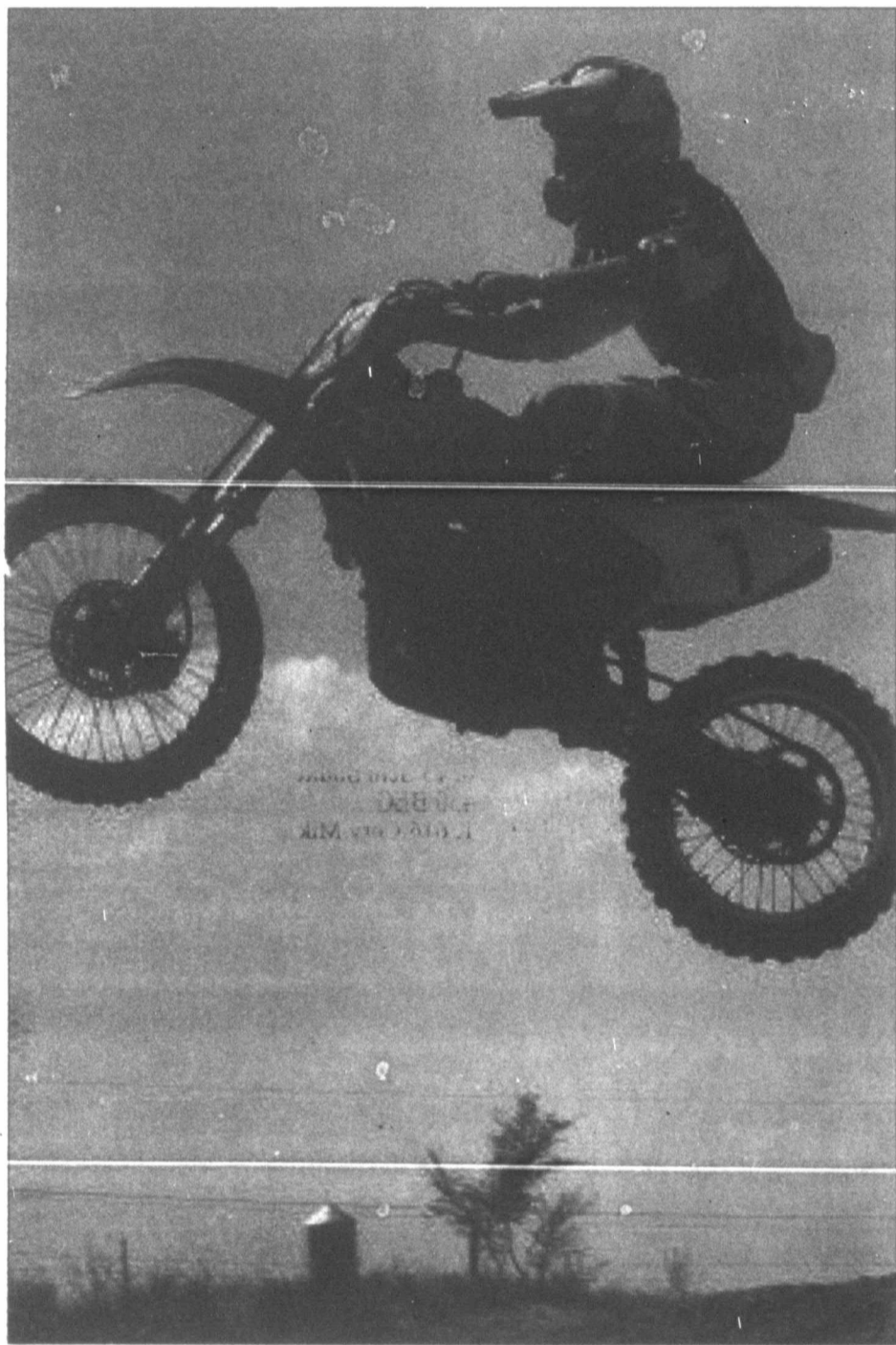
In the final game, the Lady Harvesters pulled away and didn't allow Borger to get a lick of tying the match. Pampa took a 17-12 lead and kicked it in to the fin-

ish line with a 3-1 match victory. Senior Caitlin Sieck's kill down the middle made the Lady Harvesters' statement loud and clear. "You may have beat us that one time, but we still own you."

Tuesday's victory showed that Pampa is coming together as a team and is peaking when it needs to with playoffs around the corner. Hopefully today, will be another step in the right direction if the Lady Harvesters can take care of businesses against an underachieving Perryton Rangerette squad.

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## FLYING HIGH



Tjaeden Swires makes a jump in the Lefors motocross race Sunday. Swires finished third in the 250 Beginners. Over 90 people entered. photo courtesy of K.B. Franks

## Fallen fan's son throws first pitch

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — With fans on their feet, many with tears in their eyes, 6-year-old Cooper Stone stood on the pitcher's mound and tossed the ceremonial first pitch to the playoffs to his favorite player, Josh Hamilton.

Cooper is the boy who saw his firefighter father fall to his death while trying to catch a ball thrown to him by Hamilton during a Texas game on July 7. This was his first trip back to Rangers Ballpark, and it came on center stage, with his widowed mother, Jenny, and Rangers president Nolan Ryan by his side.

Wearing a Rangers jersey featuring Hamilton's No. 32, and "Cooper" between the shoulders, the boy threw the ball on a line to Hamilton, who was standing about halfway to home plate. The outfielder — who has been through his share of personal struggles — pumped his fist, then jogged to the front of the mound and embraced the boy, then his mother.

Jenny Stone appeared to thank Hamilton while trying to keep her emotions under control. They spoke for about a minute, then hugged again. Hamilton gave Cooper another hug, too, then started heading to the dugout, only to realize he still had the ball. So Hamilton reached back and gave it to Cooper, then jogged off.

A security guard met Cooper as he reached the dirt in front of the dugout and gave him a fist bump. Nelson Cruz was the first of many Rangers waiting at the steps of the dugout to slap hands with the boy. His mother wiped tears as she walked away with Ryan.

"They have turned a difficult return to The Ballpark into a once-in-a-lifetime experience for Cooper," Jenny Stone said in a statement issued by the team. "Nothing could be more exciting for a boy than throwing out the first pitch to his favorite player. We are glad and grateful to be here to see the Rangers start their march to the World Series."

Cooper, his mom and six more in their group sat in front-row seats one section closer to home plate than Ryan. When Hamilton singled in his first at-bat, Cooper jumped up and down, twirling a

red towel. "We're just honored that they were willing to come out and do that and share the day with us," Ryan said.

Shannon Stone was reaching for the ball thrown by Hamilton when he fell headfirst about 20 feet, landing on concrete behind the outfield wall. Cooper was his only child, and the two were extremely close, with the nearly 3-hour drive from their home in Brownwood to Rangers games among their favorite activities together.

The Rangers recently announced plans to build a statue of Shannon and Cooper Stone outside the home-plate entrance as a tribute to them, and to all fans. The team hopes to unveil it by opening day next season. The club also is planning to raise the railing throughout the stadium.

A memorial fund started by the team on the family's behalf recently received more than \$150,000 from an auction sponsored by Fox Sports Southwest, the team's main broadcaster.

"I call (Jenny) periodically just to see how she's doing and see if they have any needs that we might be able to assist with," Ryan said. "It's been ongoing since the accident."

Ryan also discussed with Jenny Stone the best time for Cooper to return to the stadium.

The boy wanted to come sooner, but Jenny "wasn't ready to deal with it," Ryan said. However, she realized that coming back "was in (Cooper's) best interests, because this is what he was wanting to do."

A few weeks ago, Ryan called to invite them for the final homestand. Knowing the playoffs were likely, he also invited them to not only come to the game, but to throw out the first pitch. The Rangers played the Tampa Bay Rays in Game 1 of their AL division series, which also happened to be the first game of the entire postseason.

"He represents what we believe we're about and he is a very dyed-in-the-wool Ranger fan," Ryan said.

## this week in SPORTS:

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| <p><b>OCT 3 Monday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Late Night Scramble, Hidden Hills</li> <li>• Tennis League, 7 &amp; 8:30 p.m., Pampa Youth Center</li> <li>• PJHS Volleyball vs. Westover, games start at 5, Westover Junior High</li> </ul> | <p><b>OCT 6 Thursday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lefors Junior High Football vs. Groom, 5 p.m. Groom</li> <li>• Recreation softball, games start at 7 p.m., Softball Complex</li> </ul>   |
| <p><b>OCT 4 Tuesday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pampa High School Volleyball vs. Dalhart, games start at 5 p.m., McNeely Fieldhouse</li> <li>• Recreation Softball, games start at 7 p.m., Softball Complex</li> </ul>                      | <p><b>OCT 7 Friday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pampa Football vs. Burleson Centennial, 7:30 p.m., BISS Stadium</li> <li>• Lefors Football vs. Groom, 7:30 p.m. Lefors</li> <li>• McLean Football vs. Darrouzett, 7:30 p.m., McLean</li> <li>• PHS Girls Golf Amarillo Invitational, Amarillo</li> </ul>                     |
| <p><b>OCT 5 Wednesday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hidden Hills Senior Scramble, Hidden Hills</li> </ul>   | <p><b>OCT 8 Saturday</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PHS and PJH Cross Country, Canyon</li> <li>• PHS Swimming Lubbock Relays, Lubbock</li> <li>• PHS Volleyball vs. Borger games start at 12, Borger</li> <li>• PHS Boys Golf Randall Triangular, Randall</li> <li>• PHS Girls Golf Amarillo Invitational, Amarillo</li> </ul> |

### Wildlife Series Event

The 2011 Purina Wildlife series event will be held at the Donley County Activity Center in Clarendon 5:30 p.m. Thursday. The educational speaker lineup includes: Warren Bluntzer of the Texas Deer Association will discuss the new Deer Management permits for Mule Deer.

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# Sports

## WEEKLY SCOREBOARD

### Varsity Football

#### SCORES

##### THURSDAY

Seminole 37 Dalhart 14  
Booker 47 Borger JV 6

##### FRIDAY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	Final
Snyder	12	13	0	14	39
Pampa	0	0	0	21	21

#### Scoring Summary

##### First Quarter

S G. Rodriguez 20-yard pass from Rivera (kick failed) 8:12  
S K. Ward three-yard run (run failed) 1:54

##### Second Quarter

S K. Billingsley 33-yard pass from Ward (Martinez kick) 6:19  
S C. Coward seven-yard pass from Ward (kick failed) 1:43

##### Third Quarter

##### No Scoring

##### Fourth Quarter

P L. Collins 17-yard pass from Miller (Adams kick) 10:29  
S K. Ward 80-yard run (Martinez kick) 10:15  
P S. Smith 73-yard run (Adams kick) 10:00  
S I. Alvarado nine-yard run (Martinez kick)

P S. Smith three-yard run (Adams kick)

#### Team Statistics Snyder Pampa

First Downs	18	12
Yards	451	328
Rushes-Yards	40-329	29-143
Passing Yards	122	185
Comp-Att-Int	9-21-0	10-21-3
Penalties-Yards	8-60	7-73

#### Individual Statistics

**RUSHING**—Snyder, A. Rivera 13-51, K. Ward 17-233, C. Coward 2-12, B. Davis 3-13, G. Rodriguez, 1-2, I. Alvarado 2-14, A. Palacios 1-1, E. Felan 1-5. Pampa, S. Smith 25-125, R. Miller 4-18.  
**PASSING**—Snyder, K. Ward 8-20-0-102, A. Rivera 1-1-0-20. Pampa, R. Miller 10-21-3-185.  
**RECEIVING**—Snyder, J. Brown 2-22, G. Rodriguez 1-20, A. Rivera 3-27, F. Martinez 1-13, K. Billingsley 1-33, C. Coward 1-7. Pampa, L. Collins 5-128, J. Vizcaino 3-12, S. Smith 2-45

No. 9 Monahans 21 Borger 7  
Perryton 44 Stratford 22  
No. 3 Wellington 61 White Deer 33  
Wheeler 41 Vega 40  
West Texas 42 Claude 7  
Gruver 40 Shamrock 12  
Memphis 68 Arbor Christian 0  
Anton 42 No. 7 Lefors 27  
No. 9 Miami 50 McLean 0  
No. 10 Amherst 58 Hart 13  
Kress 76 Silverton 60  
No. 10 Follett 82 Paducah 36  
No. 5 Valley 74 Happy 14

#### STANDINGS

##### DISTRICT 1-3A

School	DW	DL	D%	W	L	%
Dalhart	0	0	.000	5	1	.833
Pampa	0	0	.000	3	3	.500
Borger	0	0	.000	2	4	.333
Perryton	0	0	.000	2	4	.333

##### DISTRICT SIX-MAN DIVISION II-1

School	DW	DL	D%	W	L	%
Lefors	0	0	.000	5	1	.833
Miami	0	0	.000	4	2	.667
Darrrouzett	0	0	.000	3	2	.600

##### DISTRICT SIX-MAN DIVISION I-1

School	DW	DL	D%	W	L	%
Valley	0	0	.000	5	1	.833
Follett	0	0	.000	3	2	.600
Kress	0	0	.000	3	2	.600
Hart	0	0	.000	2	3	.400
McLean	0	0	.000	0	4	.000

##### DISTRICT 1-1A DIVISION II

School	DW	DL	D%	W	L	%
Booker	0	0	.000	6	0	1.000
Gruver	0	0	.000	2	4	.333
Vega	0	0	.000	1	5	.167
White Deer	0	0	.000	1	5	.167

##### DISTRICT 2-1A DIVISION II

School	DW	DL	D%	W	L	%
Wellington	0	0	.000	6	0	1.000
Claude	0	0	.000	4	2	.667
Memphis	0	0	.000	3	3	.500
Wheeler	0	0	.000	3	3	.500
Shamrock	0	0	.000	0	6	.000

### Junior High Football

#### THURSDAY

Follett 18 Lefors 14

### Varsity Volleyball

#### TUESDAY

Team	1	2	3	4
Borger	11	25	18	12
Pampa	25	22	25	25

#### PAMPA K D B A S

K. Troxell	14	7	2	3	1
C. Sieck	7	5	0	2	0
S. Allen	8	3	0	0	0
R. Hutto	11	17	0	2	1
A. Stephens	13	15	0	2	0
C. Brewer	0	0	0	0	0
M. Joyce	0	0	0	0	0
K. Kuhn	0	22	0	1	2

M. Stokes	1	6	0	0	0
T. Giles	0	0	0	0	0
D. Maruffo	0	0	0	0	0
M. Fatheree	2	0	0	0	47
<b>Totals</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>51</b>	

### Junior Varsity Volleyball

#### TUESDAY

Team	1	2	3
Borger	17	28	14
Pampa	25	26	25

### Freshman Volleyball

#### TUESDAY

Team	1	2	3
Borger	15	26	23
Pampa	25	24	25

### Varsity Cross Country

#### SATURDAY

##### Lubbock Invitational

##### Varsity Girls

T. Truitt, 12:40; 9. J. Homles, 13:21; 23. E. Gill, 13:51; 61. V. Ontiveros, 14:55; 109. V. Soria 15:43; 159. J. Dixon 15:59.

##### Varsity Boys

23. T. McAnear, 18:34; 43. R. Radke 19:50; 49. J. Hernandez, 20:10; 60. A. Marruffo 20:39; 69. J. Simpson 21:16.

### Varsity Swimming

#### SATURDAY

Boys Green 601 Boys Gold 522

Girls Green 620 Girls Gold 507

Female 200 medley relay—1, Green A, (S. Wilson, M. Graef, M. Parks, L. Cahill) 2:33.05. 2, Green B, (C. Majalca, C. Davis, H. Osborn, T. Lambright) 2:38.43. 3, Gold A, (K. Ramey, K. Hulsey, S. VanHouten, C. Alonzo) 2:43.39. 4, Gold B, (A. Stuart, K. Aikin, J. Bonner, E. Nava) 2:53.12.

Male 200 medley relay—1, Green A, (N. Towry, C. Garvin, D. Hudson, R. Portillo) 2:08.15. 2, Gold A (S. Estes, J.T. Brown, K. Pfitzner, E. Alonzo) 2:12.10. 3, Gold B, (N. Price, R. Tipps, C. Butler, N. Furgason) 2:44.05. 4, Green B, (G. Watson, N. Lewis, B. Karson, M. Foreman) 2:44.30.

Female 200-yard freestyle—1, S. Vanhouten, Gold, 2:49.83 2, M. Parks, Green, 2:53.62 3, V. Valenzuela, Green, 2:59.99 4, K. Hulsey, Gold, 3:05.13 5, A. Stuart 3:05.46.

Male 200-yard freestyle—1, K. Pfitzner, Gold, 2:21.56 2, R. Portillo, Green 2:24.38 3, C. Garvin, Green, 2:33.09 4, C. Butler, Gold, 2:37.55 5, E. Alonzo, Gold, 2:41.85 6, G. Watson, Green, 2:51.67 7, N. Furgason, Gold, 2:56.49 8, N. Price, Gold, 2:56.56 9, R. Tipps, Gold, 2:59.86 10, J. Garvin, Gold, 4:32.60.

Female 200-yard Individual Medley—1, K. Ramey, Gold, 2:55.12 2, M. Graef, Green, 3:00.50.

Male 200-yard individual medley—1, N. Towry, Green, 2:38.00 2, D. Hudson, Green, 2:38.25 3, B. Karson, Green, 2:53.38 4, K. Pfitzner, Gold, 3:04.76

Female 50-yard freestyle—1, S. Wilson, Green, 33.43 2, L. Cahill, Green, 33.63 3, S. Vanhouten, Gold, 34.18 4, H. Osborn, Green, 34.36 5, C. Davis, Green, 34.47 6, C. Majalca, Green, 35.70 7, B. Keeling, Green, 36.77 8, V. Valenzuela, Green, 36.80 9, K. Aikin, Gold, 38.07 10, O. Taylor, Gold, 38.17 11, A. Stuart, Gold, 38.35 12, M. Doyle, Gold, 39.03 13, B. McKinney, Gold, 39.23 14, J. Bonner, Gold, 39.40 15, C. Alonzo, Gold, 40.13 15t, H. Anderson, Green, 40.13 17, E. Nava, Gold, 43.22 18, M. Ramirez, Gold, 44.81 19, S. Adams, Gold, 45.93 20, S. Taylor, Gold, 47.28 21, A. Chavez, Green, 52.07 22, B. Silva, Gold, 52.46 23, A. Organ, Green, 54.36 24, A. Whitson, Green, 54.72 25, P. Madrid, Gold, 56.94 26, A. Wood, Gold, 1:00.74 27, A. Mendoza, Gold, 1:02.66 28, N. Galaviz, Gold, 1:12.71 29, C. Grimmage, Green, 1:18.02

Male 50-yard freestyle—1, B. Salazar, Green, 18.95 2, S. Estes, Gold, 25.20 3, J.T. Brown, Gold, 30.27 4, G. Watson, Green, 33.18 5, R. Tipps, Gold, 33.37 6, E. Alonzo, Gold, 34.81 7, N. Furgason, Gold, 35.75, 8, N. Lewis, Green, 36.74 9, C. Hart, Green, 37.00 10, N. Price, Gold, 37.45 11, M. Foreman, Green, 38.11 12, J. Leal, Green, 42.32 13, V. Villarreal, Green 44.47 14, F. Nichols, Green, 45.55 15, J. Archibald, Gold, 46.00 16, J. Garvin, Gold 52.80.

Female 100-yard butterfly—1, H. Osborn, Green, 1:36.50 2, M. Parks, Green, 1:40.92 3, H. Anderson, Green, 1:44.42 4, T. Lambright, Green, 1:49.80.

Male 100-yard butterfly—1, N. Towry, Green, 1:11.81 2, D. Hudson, Green, 1:15.42 3, R. Portillo, Green, 1:26.67 4, C. Butler, Gold, 1:45.72.

Female 100-yard freestyle—1, M. Graef, Green, 1:16.47 2, S. Vanhouten, Gold, 1:17.22 3, T. Lambright, Green, 1:17.50 4, L. Cahill, Green, 1:19.26 5, C. Davis, Green, 1:21.10 6, C. Majalca, Green, 1:23.32 7, K. Hulsey, Gold, 1:24.98 8, K. Aikin, Gold, 1:26.30 9, O. Tyler, Gold,

1:26.79 10, J. Bonner, Gold, 1:26.88 11, M. Doyle, Gold, 1:28.90 12, C. Alonzo, Gold, 1:32.67 13, B. Keeling, Green, 1:34.13 14, B. McKinney, Gold, 1:34.38 15, E. Nava, Gold, 1:38.67 16, S. Taylor, Gold, 1:43.62 17, M. Ramirez, Gold, 1:47.29 18, B. Silva, Gold, 1:53.48 19, S. Adams, Gold, 1:54.43 20, A. Chavez, Green, 1:57.19 21, A. Organ, Green, 2:15.08 22, A. Mendoza, Gold, 2:16.96 23, A. Wood, Gold, 2:17.82 24, A. Whitson, Green, 2:22.43 25, N. Galaviz, Gold, 2:41.06.

Male 100-yard freestyle—1, S. Estes, Gold, 56.97 2, J.T. Brown, Gold, 1:10.37 3, B. Karson, Green, 1:10.75 4, N. Lewis, Green, 1:25.30 5, N. Furgason, Gold, 1:25.62 6, E. Alonzo, Gold, 1:25.64 7, C. Hart, Green, 1:28.87 8, M. Foreman, Green, 1:36.60 9, V. Villarreal, Green, 1:47.63 10, J. Leal, Green 1:49.81 11, J. Archibald, Gold, 1:53.82.

Female 500-yard freestyle—1, K. Ramey, Gold, 6:41.63 2, V. Valenzuela, Green, 8:21.54.

Male 500-yard freestyle—1, N. Towry, Green, 6:36.43 2, K. Pfitzner, Gold 6:40.40 3, C. Garvin, Green, 7:10.91 4, C. Butler, Gold, 7:45.40 5, N. Price, Gold, 8:51.09.

Female 200-freestyle relay—1, Pampa High School, 1:48.44 2, Gold A, (C. Alonzo, A. Stuart, S. Vanhouten, K. Ramey) 1:51.97 3, Green A, (V. Valenzuela, M. Parks, C. Majalca, M. Graef) 2:27.52 4, Green B, (B. Keeling, C. Davis, L. Cahill, H. Anderson) 2:30.76 5, Gold B, (O. Tyler, B. McKinney, J. Bonner, K. Hulsey) 2:34.69 6, Gold C, (M. Ramirez, S. Taylor, E. Nava, K. Aikin) 2:54.41 7, Gold D, (M. Doyle, S. Adams, N. Galaviz, J. Hafley) 3:08.09 8, Gold E (A. Mendoza, B. Ramirez, B. Silva, A. Wood) 3:14.70 Green C (A. Whitson, M. Vaquera, A. Organ, S. Machado).

Male 200-yard freestyle—1, Gold A (E. Alonzo, J.T. Brown, K. Pfitzner, S. Estes) 1:59.72 2, Gold B, (N. Price, R. Tipps, N. Furgason, C. Butler) 2:26.31 3, Green A, (M. Foreman, C. Hart, B. Karson, G. Watson) 2:27.27 Green B, (J. Leal, D. Palacios, F. Nichols, N. Lewis) 2:29.86.

Female 100-yard backstroke—1, K. Ramey, Gold, 1:17.76 2, S. Wilson, Green, 1:28.87 3, T. Lambright, Green, 1:29.31 4, K. Hulsey, Gold, 1:38.63 5, M. Doyle, Gold, 1:39.43 6, C. Majalca, Green, 1:40.56 7, A. Stuart, Gold, 1:42.18 8, J. Bonner, Gold, 1:45.68 9, E. Nava, Gold, 1:47.69 10, B. Keeling, 1:49.84.

Male 100-yard backstroke—1, S. Estes, Gold, 1:08.87 2, B. Karson, Green, 1:20.24 3, R. Portillo, Green, 1:21.71 4, G. Watson, Green, 1:28.10 5, M. Foreman, Green, 1:52.85

Female 100-yard breaststroke—1, M. Graef, Green, 1:28.62 2, C. Davis, Green, 1:35.96 3, K. Aikin, Gold, 1:53.50 4, H. Osborn, Green, 2:00.28.

Male 100-yard breaststroke—1, D. Hudson, Green, 1:22.54 2, J.T. Brown, Gold, 1:26.40 3, C. Garvin, Green, 1:31.27 4, R. Tipps, Gold, 1:39.74 5, J. Garvin, 2:22.43.

Female 400-yard freestyle relay—Green A (V. Valenzuela, T. Lambright, H. Osborn, S. Wilson) 5:31.63

Male 400-yard freestyle relay—Green A (C. Garvin, R. Portillo, D. Hudson, N. Towry) 4:51.10

### Pampa Tri-State Rodeo Club

#### SATURDAY

##### at Boys Ranch

Steer Wrestling: D. Clements  
Pole Bending: B. Wichert 6th Tri-State; K. Brown, C. McDonald 9th Tri-State, 9th in Region 1  
Bareback riding: K. Hughes 3rd Tri-State, 2nd Region 1  
Breakaway roping: B. Wichert, M. Cochran M. Youree 10th Tri-State  
Calf Roping: E. Oxley  
Barrel racing: S. Martin, B. Wichert, K. Brown, M. Youree, M. Cochran 7th Tri-State, C. McDonald  
Ribbon Roping: A. McKee, E. Oxley  
Bull Riding: T. Mercer, C. McCarn, S. Witt 2nd Tri-State, C. Martin, A. McKee  
Team roping: B. Troxell, C. Harris, E. Oxley  
**SUNDAY**  
at Happy  
Steer Wrestling: D. Clements 2nd Tri-State  
Pole Bending: B. Wichert; K. Brown, C. McDonald 10th Tri-State, K. Vigil  
Bareback riding: K. Hughes  
Breakaway roping: B. Wichert 5th Tri-State, M. Cochran M. Youree, K. Vigil, 7th Tri-State  
Calf Roping: E. Oxley  
Barrel racing: S. Martin, B. Wichert 9th Tri-State, K. Brown, M. Youree, M. Cochran 6th Tri-State, C. McDonald 8th Tri-State, 10th Region 1  
Ribbon Roping: A. McKee 7th Tri-State, E. Oxley  
Goat Tying: K. Vigil 9th Tri-State  
Bull Riding: T. Mercer, C. McCarn, S.

Witt, C. Martin, A. McKee  
Team roping: B. Troxell, C. Harris, E. Oxley

### Hidden Hills

#### WEDNESDAY

##### Hidden Hills Scramble

First (62): L. Etchinson, B. Swope, D. Hinkle, B. Brown  
Second (62): K. Everson, O.K. Lee, T. Johnson, O. Sargent  
Third (62): R. Parnell, H. Knutson, N. Lancaster, J. Richardson  
Fourth (63): Bolton, D. Dunham, G. Owens, B. Hammer.  
Closest to the pin #6: H. Knutson  
Closest to the pin #15: R. Parnell

### Recreation Leagues

#### FALL SOFTBALL STANDINGS

MIXED D1	Conf.	Overall
Comac Well Service	0-0	8-2
Brock	0-0	6-4
FBI	0-0	5-5
GPCH	0-0	3-7
Outlaws	0-0	3-7
MIXED D2	Conf.	Overall
Devoll Investments	0-0	6-2
Hudson Tire Pros	0-0	6-2
Chief Plastics	0-0	3-5
NOV	0-0	1-7

#### SCORES

##### TUESDAY

# Sports

## WEEKLY SCOREBOARD

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| <p><b>RACE 8 -</b><br/>250 PRO<br/>1. 818 Calvin King<br/>450 PRO<br/>1. 5 Zack Crow<br/>2. 590 Eric Davis<br/>3. 216 Nathan Luscombe<br/><b>RACE 9 -</b><br/>85 OPEN<br/>1. 25 Bergan Evans<br/>2. 89 Chuck Durham<br/>3. 312 Colton Cameron<br/>4. 281 Branson Brown<br/>5. 85 Blake Brown<br/>6. 384 Brayden Southerland<br/>7. 10 Coly Whipple<br/>8. 223 Trent Finley<br/>9. 77 Jori Fletcher<br/>10. 14 Brice Stevenson<br/>11. 177 Nathan Boles DNS<br/><b>RACE 10 -</b><br/>250 OPEN<br/>1. 3 Stephen Cameron<br/>2. 536 Donathan Gregory<br/>3. 528 Tyler Petty DNF<br/>450 OPEN<br/>1. 77 Justin Johnson<br/><b>RACE 11</b><br/>65 6-8<br/>1. 77 Payton Jennings<br/>2. 718 Bryson Murrack<br/>3. 129 Brodie Boehning<br/>65 9-11<br/>1. 201 Gavin Martinez</p> | <p>2. 619 Cameron Hair<br/>3. 177 Gus Pena<br/><b>RACE 12</b><br/>450 NOVICE<br/>1. 33 Shane Montgomery<br/>2. 908 Tyler Cranstrom<br/>3. 20 Kervyn Poitevint<br/>4. 326 Bret Adkins<br/>5. 928 Taylor Story</p> | <p>6. 103 Johnathan Langston<br/>7. 413 Derek Molina<br/>8. 10 Bo Ralls DNF<br/><b>BIG BIKE OPEN</b><br/>1. 717 Austin Wiseman<br/>2. 493 Sonny Cox<br/>3. 921 William Nagy<br/>4. 77 Justin Johnson<br/>5. 818 Calvin King</p> |
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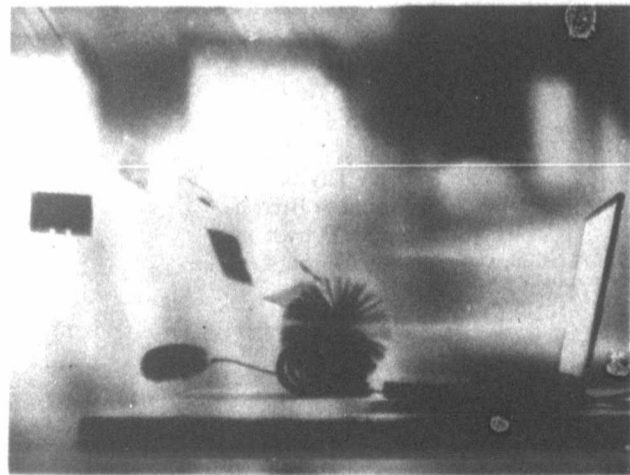
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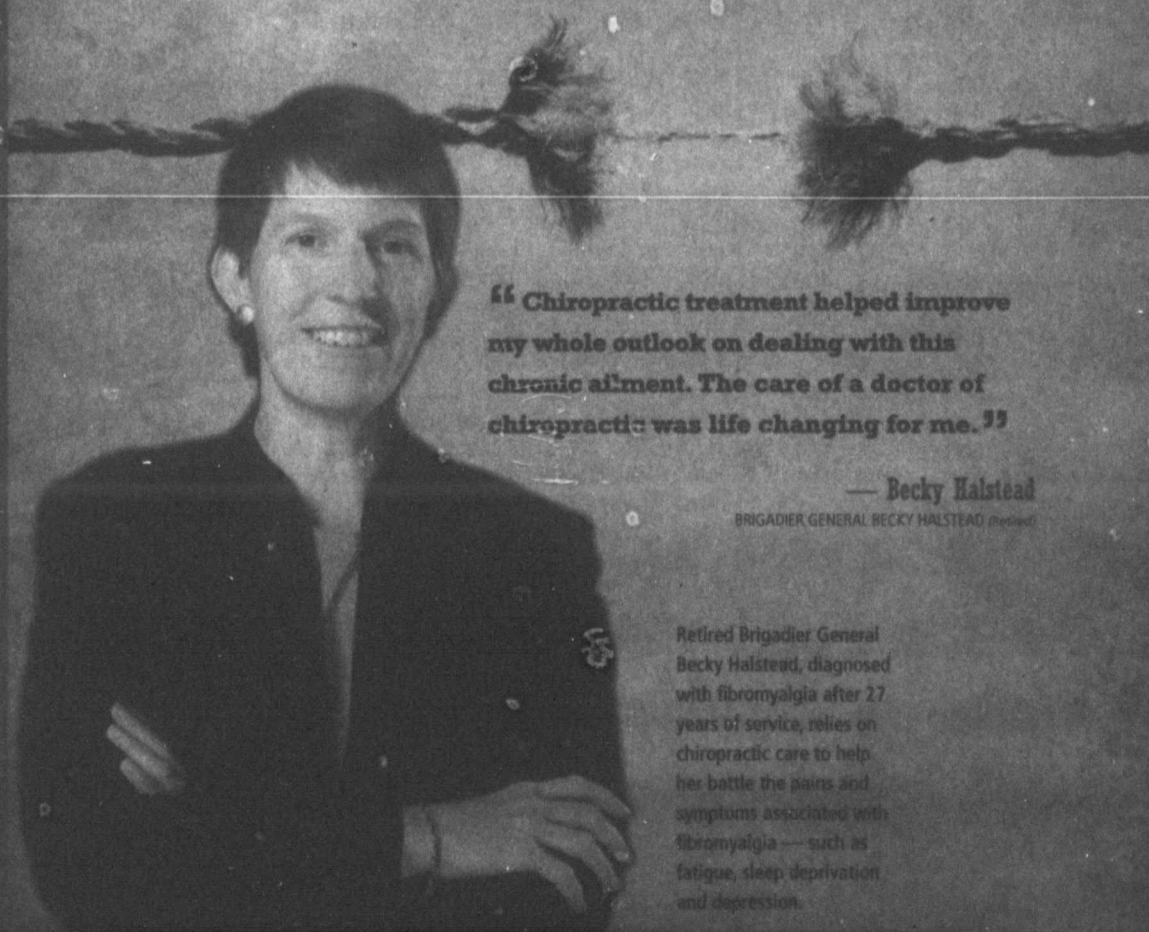
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# Entertainment!

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## 'Contagion' a tense, sleek, intelligently scary thriller

I saw "Contagion" with a few friends on Thursday. The movie convinced one of them to get a flu shot the next afternoon. It's that disturbing, and it's that good.

"Contagion," as you can probably guess from the title, is about an outbreak of an viral infectious disease that soon becomes a global epidemic. The film's protagonists — a scattered group of doctors, scientists and officials at the Center for Disease Control and the World Health Organization — spend the film's nearly two-hour length trying to pinpoint the virus' source, genetic makeup and first victim in an effort to find a cure. All the while, millions of people are dying all over the globe as the illness is passed from person to person: One victim becomes two, two becomes four, four becomes 16, until the planet is infected with no end in sight.

It's a disaster movie of the smartest order. The plot is reminiscent of 1995's "Outbreak," but the execution is entirely different. Rather than focusing on the search for and delivery of a cure, "Contagion" spends ample, tightly-plotted time examining the effects of a major international infection, from the personal toll on the doctors working to treat it to the mass hysterics caused by the fear that grips the public.

Just as poignant as the spread of the disease itself is the spread of information, right or wrong, surrounding it. We saw some of it firsthand a few years ago, when rampant misinformation about the swine flu on Twitter led to people swearing off pork. Jude Law shines as a popular blogger who makes it his personal crusade to tell his readers the truth about the outbreak; we spend a good portion of the movie unsure of whether he's truly a concerned journalist or if he's profiteering from the chaos.

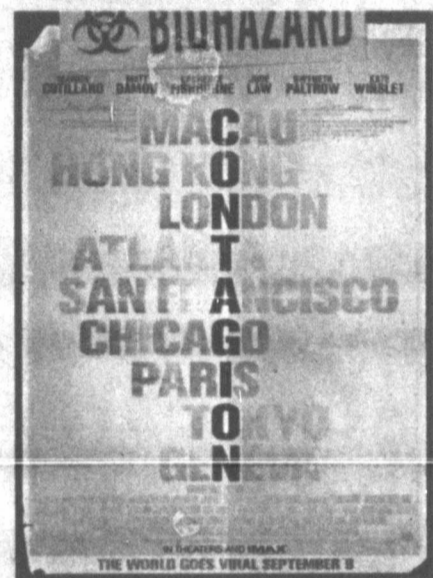
He's not the lone bright spot, either. The cast includes Marion Cotillard, Matt Damon, Laurence Fishburne, Gwyneth Paltrow, Kate Winslet and Law, and those are just the folks billed on the poster. John Hawkes, Bryan Cranston,

Enrico Colantoni, Demetri Martin, Sanaa Lathan and Elliott Gould round out an immensely talented cast.

On top of it all, director Steven Soderbergh offers up some amazing cinematography, splicing the many individual stories into one sleek, unified whole.

If you're looking for a tense, well-paced, thought-provoking scientific thriller, "Contagion" is at the top of the list. It's a chiller, too, if only because everything that happens seems like it could easily happen in real life. Maybe that flu shot isn't such a bad idea after all.

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**Contagion** ★★★★★  
Rated PG-13 for disturbing content and some language

## SPLIT-SCREEN



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TRAVIS TIDMORE

## Gordon-Levitt, Rogen shine in funny, touching '50/50'

In the new film "50/50," Adam (Joseph Gordon-Levitt) is a 27-year-old with everything going for him.

He has a good job, a beautiful live-in girlfriend (the gorgeous Bryce Dallas Howard) and seems to be very healthy, until the pain in his lower back is revealed to be a very rare, and aggressive form of cancer with the chance of survival at 50/50. Adam and his support group — which includes his best friend Kyle (Seth Rogen), his mom (Anjelica Huston), and Katherine (Anna Kendrick), a therapist from the hospital — must traverse the struggles that come with fighting his disease.

Initially, Adam seems to be dealing with it quite well, but when his girlfriend leaves

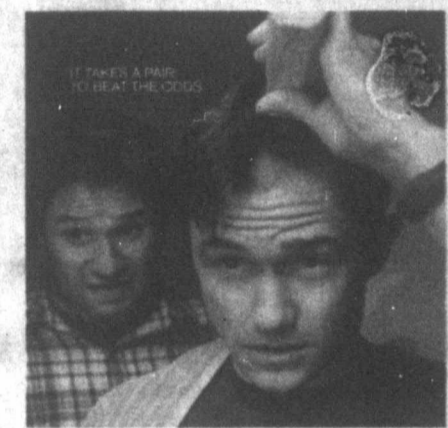
him, things start to fall apart. The chemotherapy drains his energy, his mother is driving him crazy, and Kyle seems to be using Adam's disease just to get himself laid. But just as all hope seems to be lost Adam learns to deal with his mother, realizes just how much he means to Kyle, and discovers some chemistry between himself and Katherine. While the ads for the film make it seem entirely like a comedy, don't be fooled, there is plenty of emotion in this movie, and I'm not ashamed to say I cried more than once.

The film is based on the real life experiences of writer Will Reiser and Rogen, and it shows in the truthful ways that everyone deals with the disease. The duo have said that they wanted to make a movie about cancer that reflected their experiences, as nothing else really captured their journey. With "50/50," they have done just that, creating a movie that not only feels true, but that never crosses the line into melodrama.

While everyone involved with the film has done a great job, including Matt Frewer and Philip Baker Hall as Adam's fellow chemotherapy patients, it's Gordon-Levitt who holds the movie together. By conveying the range of emotions that Adam deals with throughout his fight with cancer Gordon-Levitt draws the audience in and makes us concerned for him. From Adam's initial denial or the rage filled fit he has when he feels like all is lost, every emotion in the film feels real and nothing seems forced or "Hollywood-ized".

A few years ago, a study was done that showed that when cancer is mentioned, no one laughs for 10 minutes. The makers of 50/50 either did not know about that study, or rightfully ignored its data. Here, Reiser and director Jonathan Levine have skillfully crafted a film that not only deals with cancer in a real way but deftly blends comedy and drama into one of the best films of the year.

Local attorney Travis Tidmore reviews movies for The Pampa News as well as on his blog, [www.thecinemaniac.com](http://www.thecinemaniac.com).



**50/50** ★★★★★  
Rated R for language throughout, sexual content and drug use

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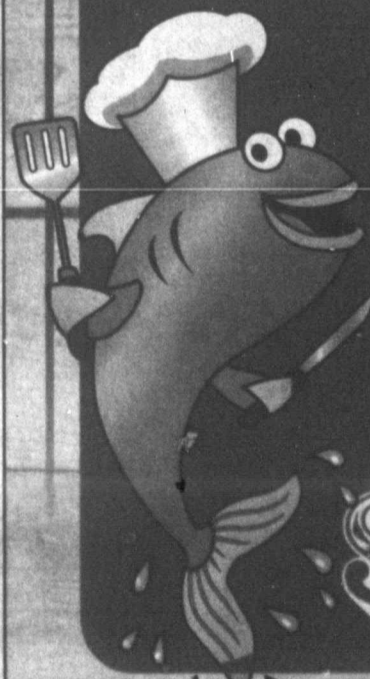
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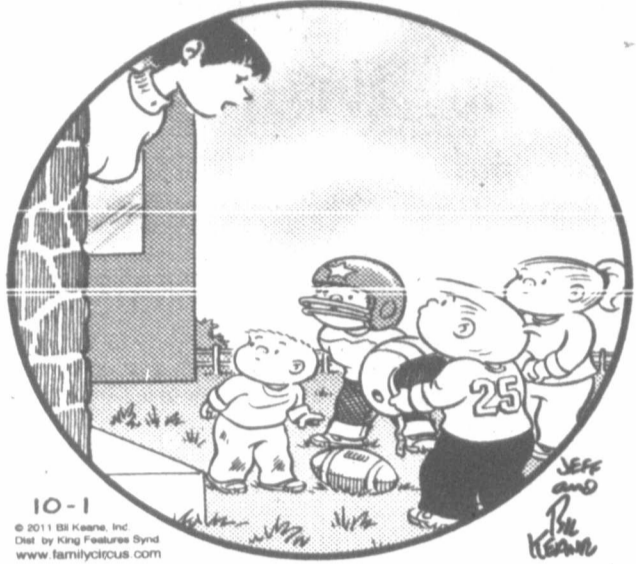
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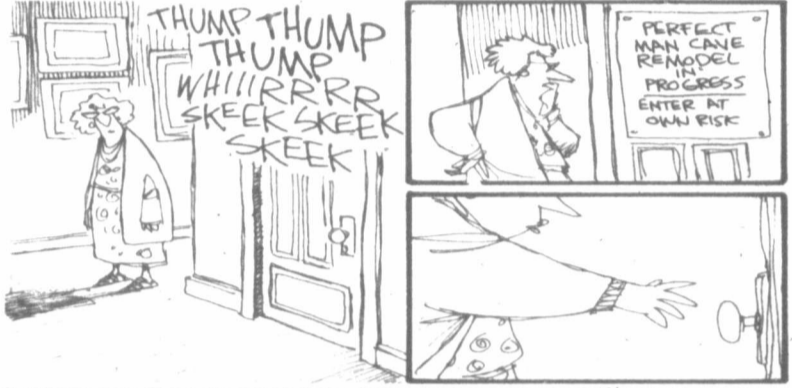
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### Non Sequitur



### Nest Heads



## daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Oct. 1, 2011:

Your energy attracts many people. Opportunities easily can come from day-to-day conversations and meetings. You don't need to go far to meet people or to network. Envisioning your goals will be instrumental in manifesting them. You are fortunate with one-on-one relating, close friendships and/or partnerships. If you are single, date for a while before committing. Resist being influenced by what your friends think. It is what you think that counts. If you are attached, the two of you need to have some old-fashioned dating to add more fire to your relationship. You might love how bonded you become. SAGITTARIUS has much to share.

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)**  
★★★★ In case you are not, just pretend that you are cool with everything that is happening. Detach and see why, although you might have a lot invested in an outcome, you could be compliant with another result. Your ability to create great, fun ideas marks the moment. Tonight: Say "yes" to an unexpected offer.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
★★★★ Dealing with others can take a lot out of anyone. Your stamina is very high, as is your ability to center and hold onto an idea, especially one of your ideas. A partner might try to change your mind. Maybe listening a little wouldn't hurt. Tonight: Go along with a suggestion.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
★★★★ Listen to news and understand what is happening within a limited network of friends. Remain assured that you will break into new territory and it won't be boring. Open up to new possibilities. Tonight: So many friends and so much fun.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
★★★ You are part of a situation that goes in a new direction. You have spunk. Your ability to communicate comes forth. You understand the role of being flexible with a parent. Flow with the moment. Tonight: A must appearance.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
★★★★ This morning, the kid in you awakens. Whatever form it takes proves to be a delight for you and for others. Go out

if you can, and choose a physical activity you love — e.g., hiking, walking through a favorite part of the city or whatever your preference is. Share this same passion with a loved one. Tonight: You are the party!

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
★★★★ It might become apparent that you need to invest some money and/or time in a domestic situation. Eventually you will have to focus on this matter, whether a partner or friend thinks otherwise. Why not now? Tonight: Close to home.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
★★★★ Your ability to hold a conversation and bring others out helps seal a potential friendship. Just know that what you consider a good time, he or she might not. Honor your differences as much as your similarities. Tonight: With favorite people.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
★★★★ Be aware of how far you can go with this bon vivant, indulgent attitude. Everyone has limits — you included. Someone you look up to could be unusually contrary. Responsibilities must be met. Tonight: Indulging a little doesn't have to break the bank.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
★★★★ Your energy renews your life, relationships and anyone else fortunate enough to come across your path. Your creativity emerges. Others find that going along with one or two of your ideas is a lot better than they thought. Tonight: The action surrounds you.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
★★ Whether at the movies or taking a walk, your thoughts are private. You might need some time to work through an issue. Take it now. Having an irritant on the back burner only sabotages your life. Clear it out. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**  
★★★★ Make perfect plans in order to make this a close-to-perfect day! For you, friendship means a lot. Your activities need to involve a friend, or many friends. Keep it light and fun. A loved one could be feisty. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**  
★★★★ Your ability to withstand pressure and handle a difficult situation comes forward. Your resourcefulness allows for a greater sense of closeness between you and someone you care very much about. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

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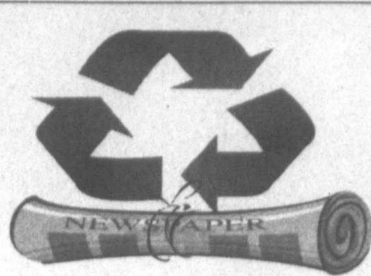
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1816 Dogwood	215,000	3/2.5	2623
1437&1439 N. Wells	149,000	(2) 2/1	1510/1475
2011 Mary Ellen	149,500	3/2.5	2730
2333 Fir	152,000	4/2	2023
1701 Evergreen	149,900	3/1.75	2104
1438 Zimmers - SOLD	140,000	3/2	1848
2527 Mary Ellen	139,900	4/2	1847
2501 Mary Ellen	135,000	3/3	2028
2015 Duncan	124,900	3/2	2508
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1511 N Banks	88,000	LOT
2301 Dogwood	21,500	LOT
2733 Beech	21,500	LOT
1604 N. Dwight	12,000	LOT
1608 N. Dwight	12,000	LOT
Harvester/Magnolia	10,000	LOT
720 E. 14th Street	7,000	LOT
E. 15th Street	7,000	LOT
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E. 14th Street	6,000	LOT
1423 Dogwood	6,000	LOT
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1130 Williston St.....	\$147,900	5/2/2 - 2711 SF/GCAD
2541 Christine St.....	\$129,500	3/1.75/2 - 2050 SF/GCAD
1901 Fir St.....	\$110,000	3/1.75/2 - 2102 SF/GCAD
1100 Russell St.....	\$98,000	3/1.5/3 - 1288 SF/GCAD
1020 Mary Ellen St.....	\$89,900	3/1.75/1 - 1811 SF/GCAD
12792 Hwy. 152 Rd + 2 acres.	\$79,000	2/1.5/3 - 1176 SF/GCAD
822 N Frost St.....	\$75,000	3/2/2 - 960 SF/GCAD
2626 Seminole Dr.....	\$75,000	3/2/0 - 1284 SF/GCAD
1308 Charles St.....	\$65,900	3/1.75/1 - 1702 SF/GCAD
706 E 15th Av.....	\$42,000	4/1/1 - 1196 SF/GCAD
1307 Charles St.....	\$38,000	2/1/0 - 1132 SF/GCAD

**TRAVIS SCHOOL DISTRICT** West and Northwest

8463 Western St. + 6.33 acres.	\$225,000	2/1/2 - 1225 SF/GCAD
928 Crane Rd.....	\$150,000	3/2/2 - 1617 SF/GCAD
916 Crane Rd.....	\$150,000	3/2/2 - 1710 SF/GCAD
2113 Lynn St.....	\$129,500	4/2/2 - 2077 SF/GCAD
1904 Lynn St.....	\$94,000	3/1.75/2 - 1753 SF/GCAD
977 Cinderella Dr.....	\$82,000	4/1.75/2 - 1553 SF/GCAD
1916 Zimmers St.....	\$75,000	3/1.5/1 - 1244 SF/GCAD
1008 W Buckler Av.....	\$65,000	4/1.75/3 - 1712 SF/GCAD

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533 Powell St.....	\$69,900	3/1/2 - 1372 SF/GCAD
612 Powell St.....	\$55,000	3/1/0 - 1166 SF/GCAD
614 Magnolia St.....	\$40,000	3/1/1 - 1436 SF/GCAD
914 Twiford St.....	\$40,000	2/1/0 - 872 SF/GCAD
609 Bradley Dr.....	\$36,000	2/1/1 - 1061 SF/GCAD
732 Bradley Dr.....	\$32,000	3/2/1 - 1253 SF/GCAD
526 Wynne St.....	\$23,500	1/1/0 - 1100 SF/GCAD

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FM 14 Rd, Lefors.....	\$530,000	530 acres w/water well
220 N Ballard.....	\$395,000	Lt. Comm. 4 bath 6,782 SF/GCAD
500 W Harvester Av.....	\$350,000	Lots south of United
748 S Price Rd.....	\$350,000	3 Ac. + 14,400 warehouse offices
302-302 W Foster.....	\$309,900	4 Retail Outlets 10,874 SF/GCAD
117 - 121 Ballard.....	\$230,000	24,500 SF/GCAD
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615 N Price Rd.....	\$179,900	3/4 + 6,550 SF/GCAD 9 bays
845 S Hobart/900 Wilks St.	\$175,000	4 Lots + 10' on north
420 W Foster Av.....	\$165,000	Houston Lumb & Gas Station
Harvester St.....	\$150,000	60 x 110 Bldg Lots
1435 Alcock St.....	\$135,000	2 Bldg. 3,200 SF/GCAD; 1,020 SF/GCAD
1421 Hobart St.....	\$105,000	Smoke House 1816 SF/GCAD
523 W Foster Av.....	\$85,000	7,598 SF/GCAD
301 & 305 W Foster Av.....	\$75,000	3,550 SF/GCAD each
23rd & Crescent Dr.....	\$65,000	Lot 4 Blk 1 North Crest Sec 1
405 W Foster Av.....	\$65,000	2,000 SF/GCAD C/H/A
220 E Francis.....	\$57,500	1/1 745 SF/GCAD Comm.
401 W Foster Av.....	\$47,000	2,500 SF/GCAD w/basement & overhead doors
Chaumont Terr.....	\$35,000	Lots 1 & 2 Block 2
609 Foster Av Lt Comm.....	\$35,000	1/400 SF/GCAD
Dogwood Ln.....	\$22,000	Lots 15-17 & 40' of 18
Wall St.....	\$15,000	1/2 Block
Fraser Annex #3 28th.....	\$10,000	Lot 8, W45' Blk 71
Hwy Lot 10.....	\$10,000	Residential Lot 98' x 120'
Seminole Dr.....	\$9,000	Lot 13 Blk 15 Mesilla Park
Seminole Dr.....	\$9,000	Lot 14 Blk 15 Mesilla Park
Dogwood Ln.....	\$9,000	Lot 2 & 40.35' of Lot 1
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A baby born today, Oct. 2, 2011, has a Sun in Libra and a Moon in Sagittarius.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Oct. 2, 2011:

This year, you seem to win over others because of an unusually affable and sensitive manner. At the same time, you let others know when you are dead serious. This authenticity changes many different elements of your life. If you are single, you draw a nicer, more centered individual who you can really relate to. If you are attached, your sweetie responds to the new you. Stop holding back so much with a sibling or close relative. SAGITTARIUS certainly is chatty!

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)

★★★★ Complete a serious matter quickly. You might want to hop in the car for a day trip. Meet a friend halfway, if possible. Getting together is always fun and centering. Express how meaningful this friendship is. Tonight: Make plans on Monday.

This Week: Take a broad look and take in all the possibilities. Then make decisions.

## TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ You don't need to convince anyone that you are right. Respond to your energy needs. A little nap could transform you into a Bull later on. You will charge, especially with the right person! Tonight: A quiet dinner.

This Week: Deal with individuals directly on Monday, then you can detach into your mental world.

## GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You have a lot on your mind. A child or loved one might be aloof. Let others make plans and suggestions. It is your job to say "yes" or "no." A caring gesture eases a prob-

lem. Tonight: Enjoy the one you are with.

This Week: Others dominate all week. Let them go with the moment. Take the opportunity to be freer.

## CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Clear out errands and a project, if possible. Know your limits with someone you often put on a pedestal. Be aware of your own needs too. Make yourself number one right now. Those around you will benefit soon enough. Tonight: A relaxing dinner.

This Week: Your intentions might be great, but staying focused could be tough.

## LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Don't try to avoid an overly serious person, because the situation could become even more serious if you do. Face the situation, then let go. You will free yourself up for a meeting with a family member or friend. Tonight: Act like it is Friday night.

This Week: You cannot help but bring your enthusiasm into the next few days. Errands and responsibilities demand your attention.

## VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Stay close to home. You might be involved in a project or in dealing with family. You will feel very good about yourself because of an effort you make. Let the good feelings flow back and forth. Tonight: A token of affection hits the spot.

This Week: Keep plugging in your ideas, but with sensitivity.

## LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ You could be a bit down, and others might be picking up on your mood. You could create a problem without intending to. Someone could personalize your attitude. Move through your stuff and extend a caring olive branch. Tonight: Join friends or family at a local spot.

This Week: Get on the phone Monday and schedule meetings. You will want to stay close to home from Tuesday on.

## SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You are close to unstoppable. Your energy seems to draw what you desire. Curb a need to be possessive, as that behav-

ior could produce a problem. Your instincts help you with an expenditure, gift or gesture. Tonight: Squeeze some fun into every moment.

This Week: Take a proactive role. Others will respond.

## SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Others count on your expansive nature. You know what you want and where you are heading. Friends and family want to join in your plans, perhaps not recognizing you would prefer to do without company! Tonight: A friend does true confessions.

This Week: All smiles, you might be hard to put down. You weave your way to what you want.

## CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Take your time, remembering it is your Sunday too! Often, you push yourself until you are exhausted. Could this be the case once more? Know that you must recharge before you can do anything else. Go for a lazy day. Tonight: Keep it low-key.

This Week: You beam, and others respond. How you handle a personal matter is right-on.

## AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You might think you have pretty calm plans, but you'll find out differently soon enough. Others seek you out. Whether it is for a fun happening or raking leaves makes little difference. You love hanging out with your pals. Tonight: Enjoying an especially deep friendship.

This Week: Take a back seat and do research, but play it low-key. Wednesday, your energy surges. Others notice.

## PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Others want you to do the organizing. Before you know it, you could be inviting friends and loved ones over for dinner or a late lunch. You also might decide to meet each other out at a favorite place. Tonight: It could go on and on.

This Week: Accept praise and continue. Schedule meetings at the beginning of the week.

## BORN TODAY

Singer Tiffany (1971), talk-show host Kelly Ripa (1970), designer Donna Karan (1948)



## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: Before I met my boyfriend, "Cory," he had a married female friend he'd go out with — dancing, dinner, movies, etc. He says there was no sex involved, and I believe him. He has asked me to be friends with her and her husband, and I have tried.

However, whenever she's around Cory, they ignore everyone else. She even tried to go on vacation with us! What really upset me was when Cory thought it was OK to ask if "we" could go out with her! It's like she has always been in our relationship.

I have told him they are (and have been) having a non-sexual affair. He's a wonderful man otherwise, and I know he loves me. How can I get her out of our lives? — FEELING LIKE A THIRD WHEEL

DEAR FEELING: It would be interesting to know what this female friend's husband thinks about her relationship with your boyfriend. Dinner, dancing, movies — possible shared vacations — seems like an unusual amount of "togetherness." Talk to her husband, and you may gain some insight.

As to how you can get her out of your lives, the answer is you probably can't. Unless your boyfriend is willing to accept that their relationship is a threat to the one he has with you and is willing to let it go, she will be in his life — and yours —

for a long, long time.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have been happily married for four years. Like many couples, we are discussing having a family and we both agree the time is now.

My husband was adopted at birth by a loving couple whom he has always known as his parents. They are fantastic people, but I'd still like to know my husband's family medical history before putting myself or our child at risk for any hereditary complications.

My mother-in-law thinks this "inquisition into the family's personal business" is uncalled for. I think it's important to get a full family medical history before having children. Am I out of line, or should he try to locate his biological parents? — NEEDS TO KNOW IN IOWA

DEAR NEEDS TO KNOW: I don't think you're out of line. However, if your husband is reluctant to reach out — even to request his birth parents' medical histories — then you may be able to obtain the information you're concerned about by having genetic testing done on the two of you. If necessary, discuss it with your physician.

DEAR ABBY: I am a coach's wife and would love some advice on how to handle "fans" who make rude comments about the people who coach their high school-age kids.

I listen to parents constantly gripe and complain about their children's coaches. How can I gracefully manage this situation? I refuse to listen to degrading, negative comments about my husband and his co-workers. Please advise. — MRS. COACH IN TEXAS

DEAR MRS. COACH: There is nothing you can do to stop comments like that during a game. Some parents act more like children than their children do. However, if it's happening in social situations, a way to deal with it would be to remind the offenders that you'd rather not hear about "work" when you're trying to have fun. Another would be to excuse yourself if the parent has been drinking.

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