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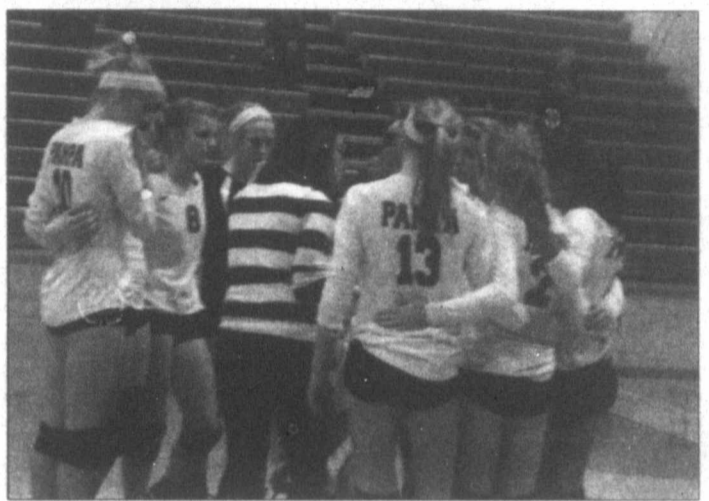
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## Honorable Man March starts at City Hall Tues.

**ARNIE AURELLANO**  
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 Pampa's ninth annual Honorable Man March, to be held in remembrance of the Texans who were killed by intimate partners in 2010, will begin at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 18, on the north steps of Pampa City Hall.  
 The March is being held by the Tralee Crisis Center, which has been providing support to victims of domestic violence in the northeast Texas Panhandle for 27 years, along with its partners in the Pampa area. In conjunction with the event and joining many other communities nationwide,

Mayor Brad Pingel has declared the month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Pampa, encouraging "all citizens of Pampa to actively participate in the scheduled activities and programs to work toward improving victim safety and holding perpetrators of domestic violence accountable for their actions against individual victims and victimization of our society as a whole."  
 "We encourage everyone whose lives have been affected by domestic violence, who know someone who is a victim or who support the end of domestic violence to take part in this march," said Dee Dee **HONORABLE** cont. on page 12

## MID-GAME LIFT



staff photo by **Andrew Glover**  
**Pampa High School** head volleyball coach Libby Garza rallies her team en route to a tight three-game sweep of rival Borger on Saturday. Full coverage in SPORTS, page 8.

## POSTHUMOUS HONOR



staff photo by **Mollie Bryant**  
**The Color and Honor Guard** and the Black Rose Ladies bow their heads in prayer during a ceremony to commemorate Confederate soldier Captain William Manson Hughey. The ceremony was held by the Sons of Confederate Veterans in Fairview Cemetery where Hughey was buried.

## Burn ban gets lifted until Friday

**ARNIE AURELLANO**  
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 The county burn ban has been temporarily lifted for a week, according to the office of Gray County Judge Richard Peet.  
 Gray County residents may legally have controlled burns from now until 5 p.m. Friday. The ban was lifted in part because of the moisture the area has received over the last few days; the wet weather may continue today with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms going into the evening.  
 County commissioners will vote at a meeting at 9 a.m. on Friday at the Gray County Courthouse on whether to continue the ban. The ban has been in effect since December of last year and has been persisted due to the ongoing threat of wildfires and the extremely dry weather that has continued throughout 2011.  
 Uncontrolled fires have been particularly destructive in Texas this year, with more than 2,800 homes destroyed during the state's wildfire season began in November. The latest, a 310-acre **BAN** cont. on page 12

## Xcel Energy's SPS suing EPA over emission rule

**ARNIE AURELLANO**  
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 Amarillo-based Southwestern Public Service, the Texas-based operating company of local electricity provider Xcel Energy, filed a federal lawsuit on Friday to overturn an Environmental Protection Agency emissions regulation known as the Cross-State Air Pollution Rule, or CSAPR.  
 The CSAPR, which was finalized on July 6, requires that utility companies reduce certain power plant emissions by the first day of 2012 in an effort to reduce year-round smog-producing emissions that drift across state lines. The final draft of the rule dropped the District of Columbia and five states, including Texas



**Hill**  
 Texas would be included in the rule," according to a release from Xcel Energy media relations representative Wes Reeves.  
 Riley Hill, president and CEO of SPS, said that the rule in the short term forces SPS to

neighbors Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana, from its reached, but the EPA confirmed that Texas would be one of two states — Kansas is the other — that will be additions to the program.  
 "Like most other Texas utility companies, SPS and Xcel Energy had no prior knowledge that Texas would be included in the rule," according to a release from Xcel Energy media relations representative Wes Reeves.  
 Riley Hill, president and CEO of SPS, said that the rule in the short term forces SPS to reduce the output of its base load coal plants and instead depend more on its aging gas facilities.  
 "The imposition of CSAPR's new requirements on such an unreasonable schedule provides SPS with insufficient time to retrofit our generating units with the emissions-control technologies we already were planning to install over the next several years," he said. "A few months is not enough time to accomplish this."  
 The total estimated cost of switching primarily to more costly natural gas generation is expected to be \$200 to \$250 million in 2012 alone, Hill said — which translates to approximately \$8 more per month for an Xcel **CSAPR** cont. on page 12

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### PAMPA FORECAST

| Today             | Wednesday         | Thursday          |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                   |                   |                   |
| High 79<br>Low 51 | High 80<br>Low 47 | High 78<br>Low 52 |

**Today:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 1pm. Patchy fog before 9am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 79. South southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

**Tonight:** A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 1am. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 51. South southwest wind between 10 and 15 mph.

**Wednesday:** Sunny, with a high near 80. North northwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

**Wednesday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 47. North northeast wind between 5 and 10 mph.

**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 78. Northwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south.

**Thursday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 52. South wind between 5 and 15 mph.

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## COMMUNITY calendar

- Tuesday, Oct. 11**
- Altrusa International of Pampa business meeting, noon in Lively Hall at First United Methodist Church.
  - Pampa Community Concert Association presents Chris Burton Jacome, 7:30 p.m. at the M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium.
- Wednesday, Oct. 12**
- Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K. Brown Room of the Chamber office.
  - Pampa Young Professionals meet at noon at the Chamber building.
  - Canadian River Municipal Water Authority meeting, 10:30 a.m., Sanford.
- Friday, Oct. 14**
- Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of the First Methodist Church.
  - Community Christian School Fajita Cookout, 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. For more info call 665-3393.
- Saturday, Oct. 15**
- Chamber of Commerce's 27th annual Country Fair "Octoberfest Texas Style," 6 p.m., M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium. For ticket info, call 669-3241.
- Tuesday, Oct. 18**
- Chamber's "Lunch and Learn," noon at the Chamber building.
- Wednesday, Oct. 19**
- Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K.

If your nonprofit or community organization has an upcoming meeting or event, submit it to *The Pampa News* Community Calendar at least one week in advance by e-mailing to [rpribble@thepampanews.com](mailto:rpribble@thepampanews.com). Submissions should include only the date, time and contact number for the event. *The Pampa News* reserves the right to edit or reject any submission.

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# Public Meeting Agendas

### Pampa City Commission meeting

Call to order - Invocation - Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Public Comments:

Citizens who have signed a card to speak to the City Commission will be heard at this time. In compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, unless the subject matter of the presentation is on the agenda, the city staff and City Commission members are prevented from discussing the subject and may respond only with statements of factual information or existing city policy. Citizens are limited to three minutes for their presentation to the City Commission.

**Public Hearing:** The City Commission of the City of Pampa, Texas will conduct a Public Hearing to receive public comments regarding an Ordinance to be amended that adopts changes made by the 2011 Special Session of the Texas Legislature in reference to Goods in Transit. Citizens are encouraged to attend this public hearing and express their views.

#### Discussion:

- Senate Bill 100

#### Authorizations by City Commission

1. Consider approving the minutes of the September 20, 2011 Special City Commission meeting as presented.
2. Consider approving on first reading Ordinance No. 1558, an Ordinance of the City of Pampa amending Ordinance No. 1469 which taxes tangible personal property in transit.
3. Consider all matters incident and related to the issuance and sale of "City of Pampa, Texas General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2011," including the adoption of Ordinance No. 1559 authorizing the issuance of such bonds and providing for the redemption of the obligations being refunded.
4. Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Pampa Independent School District.
5. CONSENT AGENDA - All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine in nature by the City Commission and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a City Commissioner so request, in which event that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in normal sequence on the agenda.
  - a. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$300.00 from Karen Norwood & Brian Shackelford for delinquent tax property located at Lots 11 & 12 & S40' of 13, Block 4, Seeds Subdivision, commonly known as 931 & 937 Love.
  - b. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$615.00 from H. Michael Price for delinquent tax property located at Lot 8, Block 3, West End Addition, commonly known as 416 N. Purviance.
  - c. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$300.00 from Ray & Denia Sissom for delinquent tax property located at Lots 17 thru 20, Block 24, Wilcox Addition, commonly known as 615 Scott.
  - d. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$326.00 from H. Michael Price for delinquent tax property located at N50' of Lot 1, Block 3, Hillcrest Addition, commonly known as 407 N. Hill.
  - e. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$2,500.00 from Lillie Davis for delinquent tax property located at Lots 8 & 9, Block 2, Browns Addition, commonly known as 417 N. Russell.
  - f. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$351.00 from Malcomb R. & Glenda J. Horton for delinquent tax property located at Lot 1, Block 35, Talley Addition, commonly known as 401 N. Davis.
  - g. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$1010.00 from Bruce E. McMahon for delinquent tax property located at Lots 15 & 16, Block 33, Talley Addition, commonly known as 400 N. Rider.
  - h. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$620.00 from Jose Leyva for delinquent tax property located at

- Lot 18, Block 6, Finley Banks Addition, commonly known as 926 S. Faulkner.
- i. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$7,700.00 from Ramiro Baca for delinquent tax property located at S50' of E 125.65' of Lot 1, Block 2, Buckler Addition, commonly known as 1201 N. Russell.
- j. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$420.00 from Marisela Carver for delinquent tax property located at Lot 15, Block 3, Lamar Addition, commonly known as 1121 S. Sumner.
- k. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$1,250.00 from Marisela Carver for delinquent tax property located at Lot 11, Block A, Talley Reserve Addition, commonly known as 512 N. Naida.
- l. Consider award of bid in the amount of \$3,000.00 from Ignacio Martinez for delinquent tax property located at Lot 20, Block 1, Prairie Village Addition, commonly known as 1109 Vamon.

### CRMWA meeting

1. Announce new and reappointed directors
2. Approve minutes of the regular meeting of 7/18/2011 (introduction of guests)
3. Announce committee appointments
4. Approve payment of directors' expenses since 7/18/2011
5. Review financial information - fourth quarter fy 2010/2011
  - A. Financial statements
  - B. Investment summary
6. Employ auditor for audit of fy 10/11 financial transactions
7. Ratify expenses
  - A. Consider and possible action ratifying non-budgeted expenditures over \$10,000
  - B. Fund fy 2010/2011 reserves for the purchase of vehicles and phone system
  - C. Fund fy 2010/2011 well & well pump reserve fund, with any remaining O & M funds in lieu of refunding the cities
8. Banking and investment policy - Consideration and possible action approving changes to crmwa's banking and investment policy
9. Brownfield water sale to Lamesa - Consider and possible action authorizing brownfield to sell a portion of their allocation to Lamesa
10. Status report on salt cedar control project
11. Establish water allocation for 2012
  - A. Status of lake meredith
  - B. Consider and possible action setting 2012 water allocations
12. Status of wellfield phase 3 expansion
13. Operating committee report
14. Groundwater acquisition update
15. Contract revenue bonds, series 2011 - Consideration and action on a resolution authorizing the issuance of Canadian River Municipal Water Authority, subordinate lien contract revenue bonds, series 2011 (conjunctive use groundwater supply project) and delegating such matters relating to the sale and issuance of the bonds to the general manager
16. Executive session - Executive session may be held as authorized by the Texas government code in relation to the following
 

Subject: consultation with attorney on items set forth in this agenda, as needed. Authorized by section 551.071, Texas government code; or deliberations regarding real property for any appropriate items on this agenda. Authorized by section 551.0 72, Texas government code.

  - A. National Park Service activity report
  - B. General Manager's report
  - C. Reservoir storage and lake level
  - D. Administrative activities
  - E. Salinity control project
  - F. Water quality
  - G. System operations

## Obituaries

### Vera A. Ruff Glenn, 87

McLEAN—Vera A. Ruff Glenn, 87, died Friday, October 7, 2011, in Amarillo.

Services are at 2:00 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church in McLean with Rev. Windell Knutson, pastor, officiating.

Interment is at Hillcrest Cemetery, with arrangements being made by Robertson Funeral Directors of McLean.

Mrs. Glenn was born February 8, 1924, in Mobeetie to John Henry and Bertha Merle Vitow Ruff and had been a resident of McLean for 46

years. She married Herman Glenn on June 14, 1964 in Wheeler.

Mrs. Glenn had been a volunteer at the Devil's Rope Museum in McLean and a long time member of the McLean VFW Ladies Auxiliary. She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church in McLean.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herman; two brothers, Johnny Ruff and Homer Ruff; and a grandson, James Hooker.

Survivors include her sister, Edna Earle Drake of Tulia; three brothers, Cyrus

Ruff of Plainview, Curtis Ruff and Richard Ruff both of Lubbock; three daughters, Patricia Respondek of Lubbock, Judy Hooker of Pampa, Kathy Ross of Amarillo; 5 grandchildren; 10 great grandchildren; and a great great grandchild.

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## Fire may have eradicated pines

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) - The Jemez Mountains landscape may never again see ponderosa forests.

The Albuquerque Journal reports that forest scientists believe the twice burned landscape may see something different emerge because of climate change and the special ferocity with which it has burned in recent years.

Scientists say ponderosa could be replaced by shrubs like the Gambel oak and New Mexico locust that have spread across the Jemez Mountains in the wake of previous fires, supplanting the ponderosa.

Jon Williams, ecosystem staff officer for the Santa Fe National Forest, said replanting ponderosa would be difficult under current drought conditions.

Las Conchas fire this summer raced through the Jemez Mountains and destroyed ponderosa. The largest wildfire in the state's recorded history, the blaze burned more than 244 square miles and 63 homes.

## Bomb goes off at Tulsa airport

TULSA, Okla. (AP) - Authorities have arrested two men in connection with the detonation of a homemade explosive device at a Tulsa International Airport car wash.

Police received a call about possible shots fired just before midnight Sunday inside the airport's rental car parking garage area. Officers responding to the scene spotted two men driving away and stopped them for questioning.

Officials say the men are employed by a car rental company at the airport, and showed officers the location where the device exploded. Officers say the bomb was made of acid, tin foil and plastic bottles.

There were no reports of injuries or damage. Firefighters helped wash down residue from the explosion.

The men were booked into jail on complaints of exploding a bomb next to a building. They hadn't been formally charged.

## Power restored after tornado

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - An electric company spokesman says power has been restored to all customers affected by a small tornado that touched down in San Antonio.

Victor Robledo of CPS Energy said homes and businesses that went dark during the storm early Sunday were back online before the end of the day.

Robledo said Monday the number of outages reached a peak of about 9,300 customers early Sunday. He said that number was below 3,000 by Sunday afternoon.

The storm damaged several homes and a post office and dumped more than 3 inches of rain in the San Antonio area.

## 5 people rescued off Texas coast

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) - The U.S. Coast Guard has rescued four adults and a 2-year-old child from a disabled boat off the South Texas coast.

The Coast Guard says authorities were called around 12:40 p.m. Sunday after a man reported his friends were adrift because of engine problems near Flour Bluff Landing, about 15 miles southeast of Corpus Christi.

Two adults and the child were taken onto a rescue boat, while the other two adults chose to stay on the disabled vessel as it was towed to a marina.

A statement from the Guard says the 16-foot flat bottom boat didn't have flares, a radio or a proper sized lifejacket for the child.

Senior Chief Petty Officer Derek Brown says regardless of weather, boaters should always have the necessary safety equipment.

## Fight over blanket led to slaying

TYLER (AP) - Police say an apparent argument over a blanket has led to an East Texas man accused of killing his cousin.

Tyler police say 29-year-old Danez Dewayne Black of Tyler has been charged with murder. Smith County Jail records did not list an attorney for Black, who was held Monday on \$500,000 bond.

Officer Don Martin told The Associated Press that the shooting happened early Saturday at the home of Black's mother. Martin says the woman went into a room where 21-year-old Marquis Dwain Black was staying, asked for her blanket and the two began to argue.

Martin says Danez Black, who also was at the home, heard the dispute and allegedly shot his cousin.

The National Weather Service says temperatures early Saturday dipped to the upper 60s in Tyler.

## Oil prices above \$85

NEW YORK (AP) - Oil prices jumped 3 percent Monday as fears of another recession retreated.

Prices rose Monday after France and Germany agreed to put more capital into European banks. The move by the eurozone's two biggest nations helped ease concerns that major banks in Europe and elsewhere would be brought down by the region's debt crisis.

Benchmark crude rose \$2.43, or 3 percent, to end the day at \$85.41 per barrel in New York. Brent crude, which is used to price many international kinds of oil, rose \$3.07 to finish at \$108.95 in London.

Economists had started to cut oil price and demand forecasts after the U.S. and European economies stalled in the third quarter. Now actions by European leaders to prop up ailing banks and encouraging economic news in the U.S. have brought oil prices back from 12-month lows.

Analysts say they're more confident that there won't be another recession, and that means world oil demand should continue to grow.

"Everyone had priced in a recession, and now we're realizing that, while the economy won't be growing that fast, it's still growing," PFGBest analyst Phil Flynn said.

Despite sluggish economic growth in the U.S. and Europe, world oil demand is still expected to hit a record of about 88 million barrels per day this year. Demand is growing as China, India and other developing nations continue to expand.

# Fees, tight credit a response to Fed policy

TERRY SAVAGE  
Creator's Syndicate

Yes, it's outrageous that Bank of America is going to charge me \$5 a month if I use a debit card to spend my own money! And it's not alone. Wells Fargo announced last month that it will test a \$3 monthly fee for debit card users in five states, and Chase is testing a monthly fee for debit card usage in northern Wisconsin.

I can really work up a head of steam over this issue, which reminds me of the furor in 1995 when First Chicago (now Chase) decided to charge a \$3 fee to talk to a teller in person. That move haunted the bank for years, and the outrage cost a fortune in customer loyalty (though it did succeed in moving people to then-new ATMs).

I can get equally upset that banks are being so stingy with mortgage money — now, when it is most needed. And that they refuse to simplify mortgage refinancing and modifications, which would cost them less in the long run than foreclosures.

And that they're sitting on billions of dollars, and not making it easy for small businesses to get loans. And that the card-issuing banks are getting, on average, 19 percent interest on revolving credit-card debt, while they give savers less than one-half of 1 percent!

Yes, it's easy to get angry at the banks — large and small — though, yes, there's a difference between them. It's easy to lump them into the Scrooge category. It's easy to blame them for getting a government bailout, and then failing to bail out the rest of America.

In fact, it's too easy. Let's take a look at the

other side of the coin.

It looks to me as if the "coin" is standing on its edge. And it's only fair to tell the rest of the story, which is quite often the story of "unintended consequences." Or as I learned many years ago in high school science class, "For every action there is an opposite and equal reaction." Some examples:

**DEBIT CARD CHARGES.** These new monthly fees for debit card use are a direct result of a new law that Congress passed and which went into effect Oct. 1. The banks used to make a tidy sum on something called "swipe fees," which were charged to merchants when you used your debit card. Merchants lobbied against the fees, saying that consumers would get lower prices if Congress restricted the fees. Congress acted.

Before the legislation, the average "interchange" or swipe fee was 44 cents. Now, it will be about 21 cents. The limit will cost banks billions in revenues. Did you think they wouldn't try to make it up elsewhere? Say goodbye to free checking and debit card reward programs, and hello to debit card usage fees.

**MORTGAGE LOANS.** Here's another case of "damned if you do, and damned if you don't" for the banks. We want them to start making mortgage loans to "qualified" borrowers. After all, what got us in trouble in the first place was their stupidity in making mortgage loans to unqualified borrowers. (Of course, they were helped along by Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, who were



encouraged by Congress to buy up and guarantee these loans — a process that has so far cost the taxpayers more than \$250 billion in loan guarantees.)

So now, what do we want the banks to do? We want them to make more loans with the money they have made because they were bailed out — and because the Fed helped keep short-term deposit rates low, letting longer rates stay higher and helping the banks earn the "spread."

Well, now the banks won't have such an easy time earning the "spread" because the Fed is pushing longer-term rates down, too. If you're a banker and you see future profits eroding — either because of new Congress-imposed fees, or because of the Fed's tactics — what would you do? Hunker down on loans and raise fees.

And that's exactly what's happening.

Look, I have a lot of reasons to get angry at banks. The biggest one is that they have been totally inept — and often acted outrageously, if not illegally — in dealing with the failing mortgage loans that are already on the books.

Common sense and organizational skills could have streamlined the process — allowing a restructuring at current rates to homeowners who would and could still pay on their loans. Instead, banks are left with foreclosed homes on their books, destroying neighborhoods and the market value of their remaining loans.

But it's far easier to slap the remaining customers with fees than untangle the mortgage mess.

Banks are in business to make money. And we want them to make money, right? We've seen what happens when they are losing tons of money. We bail them out. They are too big to fail. Even the small banks have to be bailed out and taken over by larger banks — thus creating more banks that are too big to fail.

We create incentives by our laws — often without thinking of the consequences. And that's The Savage Truth.

Terry Savage is a registered investment adviser and is on the board of the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. She appears weekly on WMAQ-Channel 5's 4:30 p.m. newscast, and can be reached at www.terrysavage.com. She is the author of the new book, "The New Savage Number: How Much Money Do You Really Need to Retire?"

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## Alamo-related papers to be sold on Internet

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - Gunpowder receipts and other Alamo-related battle preparation documents will be offered for sale online in November.

The items belonged to Robert E. Davis of Waco, a private collector who died in 2003, the San Antonio Express-News reported Sunday.

Two promissory notes signed by Alamo commander William Barret Travis are the most historically prominent, according to Bobby Livingston, vice president of sales and marketing with RR Auction.

"Travis documents written from the Alamo are certainly the most valuable in the auction," Livingston said.

A hand-drawn battle map of the Mexican state of Zacatecas that Gen. Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna took to San Antonio will also be offered.

The two Travis receipts reveal that Tejano merchants loaned lumber and supplies to help the cause for Texas independence in the days prior to the arrival of Santa Anna's army on Feb. 23, 1836.

One note dated Feb. 21 is for \$85.25, owed to Eugenio Navarro, for 50 beams of black walnut, for a structure to support at least one of the Alamo's 21 cannons.

"There is now in use in the Alamo six hundred and eighty two feet of walnut scantling as platforms for

the cannon," Travis wrote. Another receipt dated Feb. 20 promises payment of \$450.13 to Luciano Navarro, for 640 pounds of coffee, 370 pounds of tobacco, three bars of lead and 25 pounds of gunpowder.

All 189 known Alamo defenders died in the March 6, 1836, battle. The merchants' debts were repaid by the Republic of Texas within two years, Livingston said.

Online bidding begins Nov. 10 as part of the Texas & Western Autograph & Artifact Auction. Some proceeds will benefit the Children's Bereavement Center of South Texas. Several items up for bids will be displayed at a Nov. 3 fundraiser at the center.

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# Viewpoints

## Today in History

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 11, the 284th day of 2011. There are 81 days left in the year.

### Today's Highlight in History:

On Oct. 11, 1811, the first steam-powered ferryboat, the Juliana (built by John Stevens), was put into operation between New York City and Hoboken, N.J.

### On this date:

In 1779, Polish nobieman Casimir Pulaski, fighting for American independence, died two days after being wounded during the Revolutionary War Battle of Savannah, Ga.

In 1890, the Daughters of the American Revolution was founded in Washington, D.C.

In 1910, Theodore Roosevelt became the first former U.S. president to fly in an airplane during a visit to St. Louis, Mo.

In 1932, the first American political telecast took place as the Democratic National Committee sponsored a program from a CBS television studio in New York.

In 1958, the lunar probe Pioneer 1 was launched; it failed to go as far out as planned, fell back to Earth, and burned up in the atmosphere.

In 1968, Apollo 7, the first manned Apollo mission, was launched with astronauts Wally Schirra, Donn Fulton Eisele and R. Walter Cunningham aboard.

In 1984, space shuttle Challenger astronaut Kathryn Sullivan became the first American woman to walk in space.

In 1986, President Ronald Reagan and Soviet leader Mikhail S. Gorbachev opened two days of talks concerning arms control and human rights in Reykjavik, Iceland.

In 1991, testifying before the Senate Judiciary Committee, Anita Hill accused Supreme Court nominee Clarence Thomas of sexually harassing her; Thomas re-appeared before the panel to denounce what he called a "high-tech lynching."

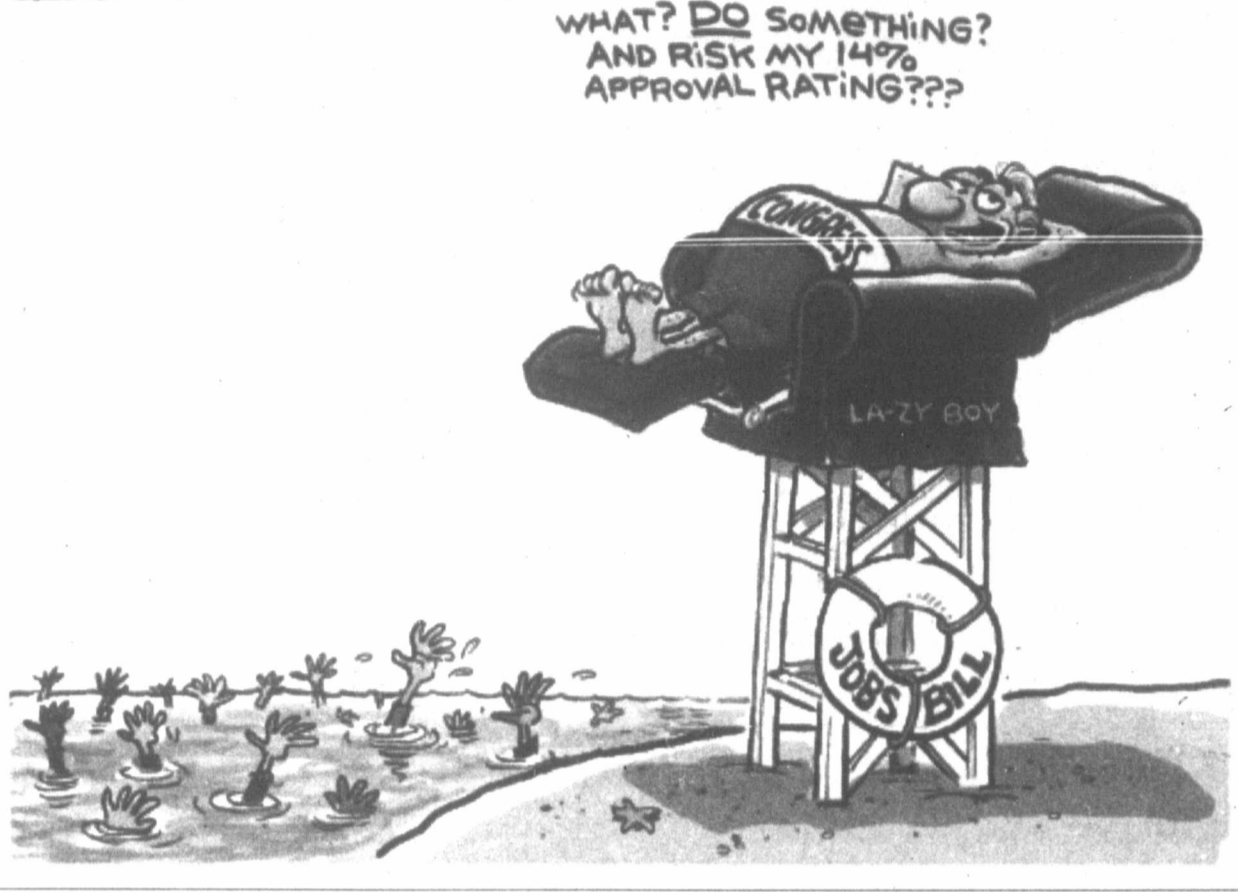
**Ten years ago:** In his first prime-time news conference since taking office, President George W. Bush said "it may take a year or two" to track down Osama bin Laden and his terrorist network in Afghanistan, but asserted that after a five-day aerial bombardment, "we've got them on the run."

**Five years ago:** A plane carrying New York Yankees pitcher Cory Lidle and flight instructor Tyler Stanger crashed into a high-rise apartment building in New York City, killing both men.

**One year ago:** Rescuers in Chile finished reinforcing a hole drilled to bring 33 trapped miners to safety and sent a rescue capsule nearly all the way to where the men were trapped, proving the escape route worked.

**Today's Birthdays:** Author Elmore Leonard is 86. Actor Earle Hyman is 85. Actor Ron Leibman is 74. Actor Amitabh Bachchan is 69. Country singer Gene Watson is 68. Actress-director Catlin Adams is 61. Country singer Paulette Carlson is 60. Actor David Morse is 58. Actor Stephen Spinella is 55. Actress Joan Cusack is 49. Rock musician Scott Johnson (Gin Blossoms) is 49. Comedy writer and TV host Michael J. Nelson is 47. Actor Sean Patrick Flanery is 46. Actor Luke Perry is 45. Actor-comedian Artie Lange is 44. Actress Jane Krakowski is 43. Singer NeeNa Lee is 36. Actress Emily Deschanel is 35. Actor Matt Bomer is 34. Actor Trevor Donovan is 33. Actress Michelle Trachtenberg is 26.

**Thought for Today:** "Modesty is the highest form of arrogance." - German saying.



## Republicans just want to fall in love

To understand the 2012 Republican presidential contest in the fall of 2011, think of GOP voters as a young maiden writing for advice from a wise elder such as Ann Landers.

"What's wrong with me? He's handsome, an excellent provider, well-educated, and he comes from a good family. He neither drinks nor smokes and doesn't run around. While courting me relentlessly for several years now, he has always been well-mannered and unfailingly attentive to my changing moods. These are all huge pluses.

"But here's my problem: He just doesn't make my heart race. And he's not much fun. Should I stop looking for excitement, grow up and simply settle for ... Mitt?"

All of a sudden, for no apparent reason, Republicans have been behaving like Democrats who, we all know, too often let their emotions rule when picking a presidential nominee. As I've said before, when it comes to presidential nominations,

Republicans fall in line while Democrats fall in love. (See Barack Obama, 2008.)

The GOP prefers its standard-bearers to be familiar, well-traveled. Ronald Reagan, now the party's consensus patron saint, first sought the nomination in 1968 and then again in 1976 before finally winning it in 1980. Bob Dole was the vice-presidential nominee in 1976 and ran unsuccessfully for the presidential nomination in 1980 and 1988 before finally winning

the prize in 1996.

Richard Nixon was one of only two Americans nominated five times by a major party for national office. George H.W. Bush had failed to win the 1980 presidential nomination and had twice been elected VP before becoming the 1988 nominee. His son had won two terms as governor of Texas. John McCain had finished second in 2000 to George W. Bush before winning the 2008 nomination.

I can still recall the Republican activist in Ottumwa, Iowa, before that state's 1996 Republican caucuses. He explained why that year he was supporting the Kansas senator: "It's Bob Dole's turn."

I have never heard any Democrat say those words. Democrats are glandular types. They fall head-over-heels for presidential candidates they hadn't known just weeks earlier. Remember first-time candidates George McGovern (1972), Jimmy Carter (1976), the comet-like Gary Hart (1984), the suddenly emerging Michael Dukakis (1988), the newcomer Bill Clinton (1992), John Kerry (2004) and Obama? Since 1968, the only real known quantities Democrats have picked were two men who had

served as vice president: Walter Mondale and Al Gore.

While Republican voters value in their candidates the credential of having run previously and lost, environmentally minded Democrats never think of recycling their leaders. Any Democratic presidential candidate who loses immediately and unceremoniously is dropped like a bad habit.

Gov. Romney has run before. He has won a tough election in a heavily Democratic state. He is well-funded and has assembled a competent, professional campaign staff. He has been exceptionally sure-footed.

But to what end? Respected Republicans publicly behaved like Justin Bieber's teeny-boppers in their feverish pursuit of New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie. Normally sensible Republicans now want to have a crush, want to feel tingly all over. They're even flirting, according to latest polls, with pizza executive, radio talk-show host and motivational speaker Herman Cain, who has never run in a general election for any public office (obviously, to take political advantage of the "experience" issue against the incumbent in 2012).

Forget falling in love; Republicans. As Democrats can attest from listening tearfully to too many concession speeches, love in politics is overrated.



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# Smugglers turning to border states to buy ammunition

PHOENIX (AP) — Smugglers are turning to Arizona and other Southwest border states to buy ammunition that they then sneak across the border for use by Mexican drug cartels.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives told The Arizona Republic that (http://bit.ly/okmet1) most of the ammunition used by the cartels comes from the United States.

"Fifty rounds might cost you 15 bucks here," said Jose Wall, senior trafficking agent for the agency in Phoenix. "But sell them in Mexico, I'll bet you can make \$45."

Hundreds of thousands of rounds of ammunition are purchased each year from online retailers, big-box stores and at gun shows in Arizona and other Southwest border states and then are smuggled across the border.

Over the past five years, seizures of ammunition at Arizona's six ports of entry along the Mexican border have risen steeply, from 760 rounds in fiscal 2007 to 95,416 in the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30.

That reflects both a stepped-up effort by U.S. Customs and Border Protection to check southbound vehicles for

guns and bullets and a rising demand for ammo by drug cartels.

One factor that enables the smuggling is the relative ease with which bullets can be bought in the United States. There are few restrictions on the number of rounds someone can buy.

In Mexico, ammunition is strictly regulated and possession of even a single illegal round can lead to prison.

Laws in the U.S. that once treated ammunition sales as rigorously as gun sales were repealed in 1986 and haven't been re-enacted.

Under current federal law, buyers must be U.S. citizens and have no felony convictions. Anyone over 18 can buy rifle ammunition, and anyone over 21 can buy handgun ammo.

But the decision to sell 10, 100 or even 10,000 rounds of ammunition is left up to the individual retailer. Sellers don't have to record the transaction or report the buyer to authorities under federal law.

Gun dealers say there is no reason to implement new restrictions. They say most buyers have legitimate rea-

sons for buying ammunition in bulk, including firearms instructors and sports enthusiasts taking advantage of discount prices.

"I don't see anything wrong with it," said Don Gallardo, manager of Shooter's World in Phoenix. "Should we restrict someone from buying 10 cases of beer versus one case of beer?"

Federal authorities say the lack of restrictions has turned Arizona into an ammunition warehouse for Mexican drug lords, who only have to find ways to get it across the border.

Joe Agostini, assistant port director in Nogales, said U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents began concentrating on guns and ammunition about two years ago, leading to a rise in the number of seizures.

He said before 2009, agents relied on a method called "pulse and surge," which means they ran searches for a limited number of hours at various entry points.

Now, in Nogales, searches are done 24 hours a day, seven days a week at the Dennis DeConcini Port of Entry and 16 hours a day at the Mariposa Port of Entry.

# Dallas-based Herson sisters hike Mt. Kilimanjaro for Save One Life

DALLAS (AP) — It wasn't until they had climbed 14,200 feet above sea level that Brittney and Kelly Herson realized something wasn't quite right with their dad.

The hike up Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania was supposed to be a father-daughter adventure for the Dallas family, but Neil Herson was struck with severe altitude sickness.

The sisters watched as their dad shook uncontrollably as a result of a lack of oxygen to his brain. He made the decision to leave the hike after the second day.

"It was so scary," 16-year-old Kelly said. "Doctors said that if he had gone further, something terrible could have happened."

At first the girls didn't think they could continue without him. But after coming so far, they decided that with each other's help they could finish.

"I couldn't have done it without her," 20-year-old Brittney said. "Sometimes I was beyond frustrated with the situation, and Kelly was like, 'Just keep going.'"

They were filled with the spirit of "twende, twende," the Swahili phrase for "let's go." The girls call it "the phrase of the mountain."

"I was very proud of them," Neil Herson said. "Having each other made a big difference. It really helped them make it to the top."

Brittney and Kelly hiked to the top of Africa's highest peak this summer as part of a fundraising effort for Save One Life, a nonprofit that provides sponsorships for people with hemophilia in developing countries. The group helped raise more than \$64,500 for the charity.

The sisters have a unique connection to Save One Life. The girls' father is president of ASD Healthcare, and he donates his unused medications and materials to the charity. He also sponsors 51 kids with hemophilia through the program.

It was their father's compassion for the organization that inspired Kelly and Brittney to take on this challenge, though they received mixed reactions from their friends and family.

"Most of my friends were pretty shocked," Brittney said. "I am active and like to be outdoors, but I am not your typical mountain-climbing girl."

"Our family was scared for us," Kelly said. "People die every year during the climb."

More than 20,000 tourists attempt to climb Mount Kilimanjaro each year — but 60 percent of them never finish and around 10 people die annually during the climb, usually from high-altitude sickness.

The girls' hike up the mountain was a six-day trek: five days up, one day down. The group took the "Machame" route up the mountain. It has the highest success rate.

Six different ecosystems cover the mountain. The girls were taken through a rainforest filled with trees that looked as if they belonged in a Dr. Seuss book, a frightening path with closely packed rocks and a snowy mountain cap they felt they would never reach.

"You're just going up and up

and up," Kelly said. "You stop for breaks, but they are never long enough."

On the fourth day, the girls began the final summit, leaving base camp at midnight. Temperatures were well below zero, so the girls wore eight layers of clothes, three layers of gloves and several warmers as they climbed for seven straight hours to the top.

"We were exhausted. Everything hurt. We had fevers," Kelly said. "Even though it takes a lot of physical strength, mental strength was so much a part of it."

"The hike stripped you down to your raw emotions," Brittney said. "Just one foot in front of the other, that's what I told myself."

But the intense climb didn't dampen the girls' spirits. As dawn broke, Brittney laughed at the sight of Kelly shaking her hips to the music on her iPod. Then the sisters saw each other for the first time in day-

light and were shocked at their appearance.

"My hair was covered in icicles!" Brittney remembered.

"Our eyelashes and eyebrows were white," Kelly added.

"I looked like a snow monster," Brittney joked.

The girls reached the top of the mountain a couple of hours later. In the course of 4 1/2 days, they had climbed more than 19,000 feet.

"I almost started crying — it didn't seem possible," Brittney said. "But me doing that right in that moment made me feel like I could do anything in the rest of my life."

Since returning to America, the sisters have been faced with new challenges. Kelly is in her junior year at Yavneh Academy and Brittney is tackling an internship in Washington D.C.

The phrase of the mountain still motivates them: "Twende, twende" — let's go, let's go.

# Twister hits San Antonio homes

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A small tornado touched down in San Antonio early Sunday, damaging several homes and a post office.

The overnight storm dumped more than 3 inches of rain on the city and left thousands without power, the San Antonio Express-News (http://bit.ly/puHppY) reported. It was not immediately clear whether the tornado caused any injuries.

The twister touched down about 1:20 a.m. Sunday and traveled about 1.5 miles with a path about 50 yards wide, according to the National Weather Service. Strength and wind-speed estimates have not been determined.

The storm tossed around postal trucks and bent lights in a parking lot before it dissipated.

The extent of the damage was unclear Sunday, but at least four families were displaced from their homes, according to the American Red Cross in

San Antonio. Volunteers met with the families and made arrangements at a local hotel for 11 adults and eight children, Red Cross spokeswoman Luch Lashover said.

Lisa Campos, 35, said she was awakened by the strong winds shortly after 1 a.m.

"It sounded like a whistle, and then everything crashed," she said. "I didn't know what it was, but it was over fast — it just lasted about two minutes."

Campos said she and her four sons between the ages of 2 and 14 stood in shock in the living room before realizing what happened. Shortly afterward, she heard sirens, and a San Antonio police officer later knocked on her door and told her a tornado may have struck.

She said trash was strewn across her backyard, and the roofing of a back patio had been bent in different directions.

"It could have been much worse," she said.

Nearby, Daniel Martinez, 27, awoke to a loud bang. He said his younger brother pried open the front door, which was being held shut by the wind, and saw a mailbox flying through the air. After several minutes, the winds quieted, he said, and neighbors emerged from their homes to survey the damage.

The roof of his parent's house had been blown off, and a neighbor's tree had somehow become lodged in the windshield of a truck.

"It was very surprising," said Martinez, whose family before realizing what happened. Shortly afterward, she heard sirens, and a San Antonio police officer later knocked on her door and told her a tornado may have struck.

About 9,300 homes reported power outages overnight, CPS Energy spokesman Victor Robledo said. By midday, about 2,300 customers remained in the dark, he said.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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"I wish today was somebody's birthday. My tummy could really use some cake."

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## daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Monday, Oct. 10, 2011:  
This year the unexpected occurs within a partnership. You often go back and forth trying to deal with a problem that is perpetually transforming. But the core issue could be the same. You often wonder how much to give. Sometimes you become resentful, as you feel you give too much. Other times you feel you don't give enough. If you are single, you will face the above-mentioned issues when you start relating. You could have quite a selection of suitors. Enjoy the process of eliminating some and choosing "the one." If you are attached, you might need to explore different ways of handling emotional issues with your sweetie. You will come up with solutions. ARIES can be challenging.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**  
★★★★ You note that your energy gets higher and higher this morning. You might experience a challenge or two, but as you are operating at peak performance, you hardly notice. Note that it is your attitude that defines the depth and nature of your problems. Tonight: As you like.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
★★★ Consider what is going on behind the scenes. When you decide to act -- which would be best if it is not today -- you will know what to do. The issue might be how much of the problem you are bringing to the table. Others perceive a situation differently. Tonight: Try an earlier bedtime.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
★★★★ A key person nudges you out of your office today. When you focus on goals and others, the unexpected occurs. A meeting could be serious but also has a fun component, as the people involved have a sense of humor. Tonight: Where the conversations are.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
★★★ Be ready to act ASAP. You might be surprised how quickly you take the lead. An easygoing interaction with an authority figure is far more preferable than any other pattern. You can work together. Tonight: A must appearance.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
★★★★ A talk could go a lot longer than anticipated. Try to remain focused, which could be challenging, as you are aware of calls and another matter involv-

ing publishing, the law or a distant contact. Experiment with a sensitive ending to the talk, for now. Tonight: Blaze a new trail.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
★★★★ Prepare to blaze a new trail or experiment with a different approach. Check in with a key partner or loved one whose support you need before taking off on a tangent. An element of surprise is involved in this relationship. Tonight: Continue a conversation over dinner.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
★★★ You might need to focus on certain details and complete calls before you deal with an associate or get involved in a meeting. Be clear that others cannot and will not wait. Move quickly and efficiently through your must-do's. Tonight: Meet others' demands.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
★★★★ You might want to understand what is happening with a child or loved one. Explaining that it is a workday and that you need to move on might not be as popular as you would like. Open up to another approach. Tonight: Burning the candle at both ends.

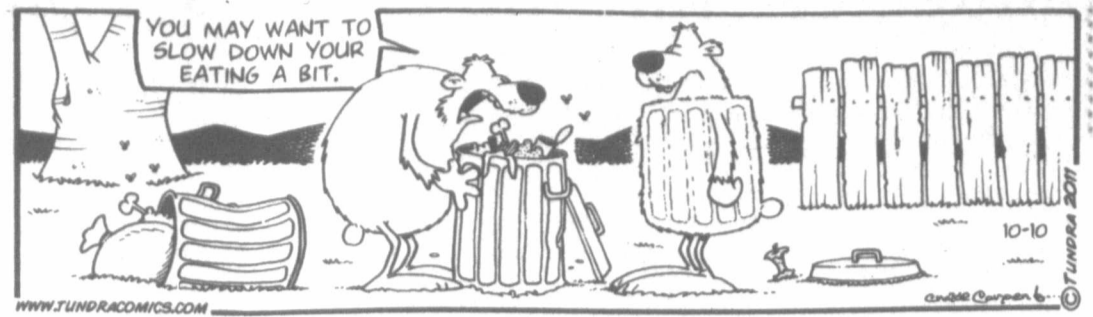
**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
★★★★ You have answers, and they keep coming in. Your creativity remains your strong suit. The unexpected corrals your attention. Be sensitive to the costs of proceeding in a key direction. Tonight: Let your hair down.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
★★★ You might feel the need to revise a personal situation or make a necessary change. Your caring warms up what could be a difficult person. This person understands; he or she feels your concern. Tonight: Head home.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**  
★★★★ You have a jovial style that emerges with ease. Your personality comes forward and helps others through the unpredictable. A partner is there for you, and lets you know he or she understands. Be open to possibilities. Tonight: Let a talk flow into dinner.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**  
★★★ Your caring will evolve to a new level if you remain open. Your instincts carry you through a bad moment or two. A friend could change his or her mind, leaving you a bit stunned. Don't make a so-so decision. Tonight: Your treat.

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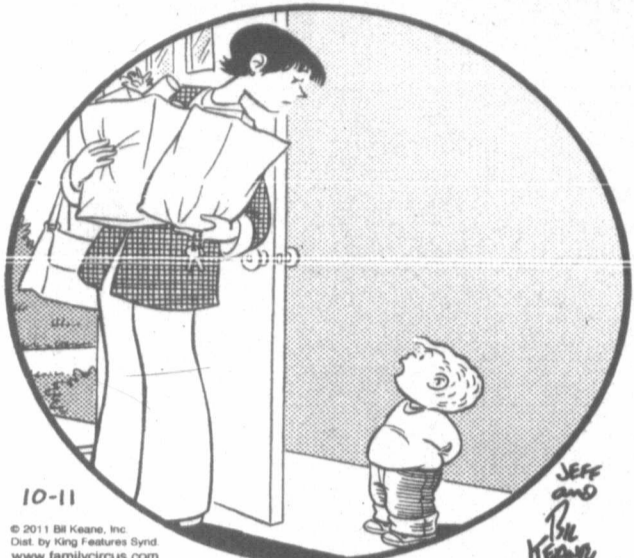


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Nest Heads



## daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Tuesday, Oct. 11, 2011:  
You could find this year unusually challenging in the relationship department. You will go through many ups and downs, as others seem to always say no when you say yes, and vice versa. Consider the possibility that you both could be right. This type of situation will arise with different people. See if there is a common theme connecting them. If you are single, you could attract many different types of people. You might want to date until you are sure of yourself. If you are attached, let your sweetie have at least equal say if you want to keep the peace. **ARIES** is direct, if nothing else.  
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)**  
★★★★ Your sense of well-being can only add to your situation, multiplying the good vibes. Others seem unsure of themselves as they go through quite a swing, deciding what is right for them. If someone waivers, you could feel insecure. Don't. Tonight: All smiles.  
**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
★★★ Confusion surrounds nearly anything you take on. Others respond to today's Full Moon by swinging from one thought to another. Stay centered, knowing this, too, will pass. Fatigue might be the result of the instability around you. Tonight: Vanish while you can.  
**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**  
★★★★ Zero in on what you want. Clearly, an issue surrounds a decision. Do you really know what you want? Others seem to have difficulty finding clarity and could be affected by their last conversation. Tonight: Where the crowds are.  
**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**  
★★★★ If you must take a stand, do so. Remember that others wonder how well you can express yourself. Are you clear about your choices? In the long run, the path of diplomacy might be the only one to head down. Tonight: Could be late.  
**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
★★★★ Keep reaching out for new information. Your fiery spirit helps you find your way through a lot of drama and feelings. The Full Moon causes high emotional frequency from many different people. Respond accordingly. Tonight: Reach out for another person.  
**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
★★★★ Relate to a partner directly. You might have difficulty understanding him or her. Fatigue could be a factor, as there is so much stress around you. Try to be indulgent and understand what is happening with a key person. Tonight: Be a duo.  
**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**  
★★★★ The Full Moon could be a problem as you attempt to deal with others' energy. The best idea is to allow them to expand their horizons. You want feedback, and you will get it. You might want to temper your words. Tonight: Go with a suggestion.  
**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**  
★★★ Focus on what you can do — the possibilities. You might need to help others get their job done. Don't take on more than your fair share. Others will resent that action later. You can encourage others without doing their work. Tonight: Do what is best for you.  
**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**  
★★★★ You are full of energy and charisma. You have the drive to complete any task you take on. Others might be unusually challenging or touchy. If someone rains on your parade, know that it is only for a limited time. This person will change his or her tune. Tonight: Living it up.  
**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
★★★ Do check out a real estate investment with care. You don't need to know the hows and whys of a situation, just whether it is a good investment for you. Realize what is happening behind the scenes. Tonight: At home. Keep the door open.  
**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**  
★★★★ You could be more positive than you have been in a while. Others toss their issues on you. Keep smiling, knowing when enough is enough. Just politely end a conversation and walk away. Communication could get flubbed up. Tonight: Catch up on another person's news.  
**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**  
★★★ Be sensitive to not only your budget but also to others'. Understanding opens up a former impasse with a partner. You know where you are going. Push comes to shove over money. Remember that everyone sees money differently. Tonight: Your treat.

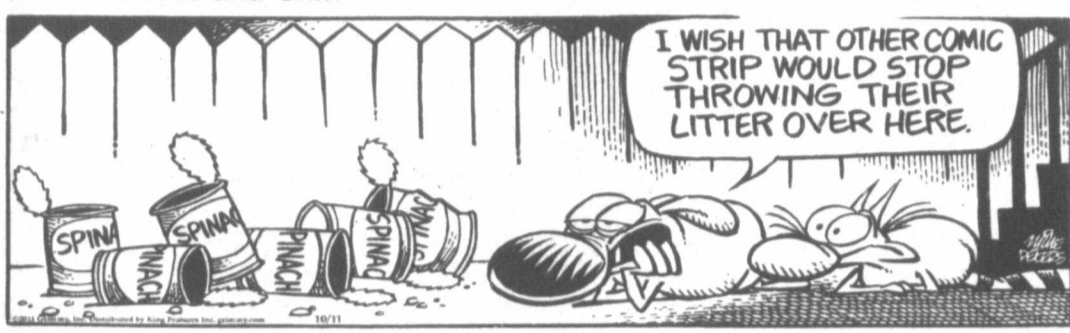
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# Sports

## No. 14 Lady Harvesters sweep feisty Lady Bulldogs

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The No. 14 Pampa Lady Harvesters' goal for Saturday's match with the Borger Lady Bulldogs was to finish in three games.

Though the Lady Bulldogs didn't make it easy, the Lady Harvesters eventually accomplished their goal, squeezing out three victories (25-20, 25-22, 25-20) at Borger.

Head coach Libby Garza said she expected Borger's best game, but was glad her team accomplished its goal.

"You usually rise to the level of play or you sink to it," Garza said. "I'm frustrated here. We should be playing quicker and better, but I'm happy we beat them in three and not four."

Senior Stephanie Allen said she didn't feel that the team didn't take care of its side well.

"I think we had a lot of mistakes," Allen said. "We got down on ourselves but we kept it together to sweep."

Pampa (24-8, 4-0) pulled out to a four-point lead at 7-3 in Game One. Senior Kailyn Troxell scored three kills and senior Alanna Stephens scored two. The Lady Bulldogs went on a run and cut the lead in half. Borger's Emma Wood and Nellie Embers scored kills to cut Pampa's lead to 10-8. The Lady Harvesters outscored Borger 7-3 to increase their lead. Borger made one more run and cut Pampa's lead to two at 20-18. Pampa was able to close out the game with a kill by Stephens.

Early in the second game, the Lady Bulldogs pulled out to a 9-5 lead. Kaylee Pucell and Allyson Burrow scored

kills to help lead the offense. The Lady Harvesters regrouped and went on a 7-3 run to tie the game at 12. Troxell contributed three kills during the run. The teams exchanged points on the next four serves but Borger scored three straight to take a 17-14 lead. Head coach Libby Garza took a timeout and Pampa responded outscoring the Lady Bulldogs 6-2. Stephens scored to put Pampa ahead 20-19. Senior Ramie Hutto scored to put Pampa up 24-21. The Lady Harvesters won when Borger's serve went out of bounds.

Troxell said Garza told them that they weren't going to lose the game.

"She said we just had to up our intensity," Troxell said.

In the third game, Pampa jumped out to a 5-0 lead but the Lady Bulldogs came back and tied the game at nine. The teams exchanged points for a little while before Pampa started to pull away. Junior Maddie Fatheree scored a kill and Troxell scored two to increase Pampa's lead to 17-13. Borger took a timeout but wasn't able to get closer than three.

The Lady Harvesters host Perryton 6:30 p.m. today. On Saturday, Pampa visits Dalhart. If Dalhart lost Saturday against Perryton or loses to Borger on Tuesday, the Lady Harvesters can clinch district with a victory.

Allen said the next two games should be easy if they execute.

"We just have to do our job and not let down," Allen said.

Garza said her team his focused on its goal.

"They are definitely focusing on what we are doing on our side," Garza said. "Making sure that we are doing everything right on our side and let the other



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Senior Kirsten Kuhn sets a ball for Ramie Hutto against Borger Saturday. The Lady Harvesters swept the Lady Bulldogs to remain unbeaten in district play. Pampa could clinch district on Saturday.



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Junior Maddie Fatheree sets for Kailyn Troxell against the Lady Bulldogs Saturday.

## PHS swim team nets seventh in Lubbock

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The Pampa Harvesters' swim team finished seventh at the Lubbock Relays Saturday at the Pete Ragus Aquatic center.

Thirteen teams competed in a coed competition, instead of being separate male and female teams. Head coach Edward Garvin said it was a fun meet to start the season.

"We competed in a bunch of different relays," Garvin said.

Some of the relays included the use of fins and floats. Garvin said he was happy with his team's performance considering it was some of his swimmers first meet.

"My main goal was to have fun," Garvin said. "I wanted to see us get good times. Some of our swimmers it was their first meet and I saw some good performances."

The Harvesters and Lady Harvesters next meet is the Lubbock Duals on October 20. After that Pampa competes at the Abilene Invitational on October 22.

Garvin said both meets will be good tests for his teams. "We will be facing a pretty good Lubbock team," Garvin said. "We will get a good look at Caprock. In Abilene we will face some pretty tough teams. We didn't go to Abilene last year, so I'm not sure what to expect."



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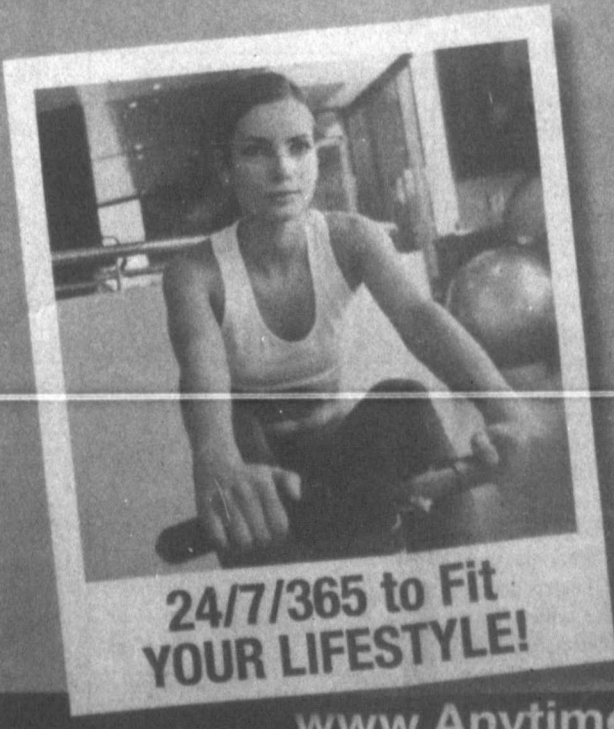
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# Sports

## Tigers edge Longhorns for first win

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Friday night in McLean started with the crowning of a new Homecoming King and Queen and ended with the Tigers securing their first victory of the season, 26-22 over the Darrouzett Longhorns.

Head coach David Jurado said the team came out and played well.

"We were really aggressive," Jurado said. "We were the ones forcing the blows and come out with a win. It was good for our team morale."

The Tigers (1-5) lost their last four games by at least 28 points. Jurado said they were able to overcome their mistakes.

"We had a couple of turnovers," Jurado said. "We fumbled the ball on our first possession. Then we scored on our second possession. Jordan (Herring) hit a receiver for a touchdown, but he was a half yard in front of the line, so it got called back and we didn't up scoring. Thank goodness it didn't cost us the game."

Friday's game concluded McLean's non-district schedule. The Tigers travel to Kress (3-3, 0-1) on October 14 to open district. Jurado said the win gives his team some momentum going into district.

"It was definitely good to get a win," Jurado said. "A lot of these guys are starting for the first time this season. It's tough when you are starting for the first time on Friday night and figuring out your assignments. They need to learn to win."

## Harvesters make progress, still have work

This week the Pampa Harvesters enter their bye week. During the first seven weeks of the season, Pampa has accomplished a lot, meeting some of its goals. For the first time since 2008, the Harvesters were victorious in their season opener. For the first time since 2003, Pampa started the first half of its season with a winning record. If the Harvesters are going to accomplish the rest of their goals, there are some things they have to improve in the next three games.

Offensively, Pampa had a solid game against Wichita Falls Hirschi and good second halves against Randall and Snyder. The problem for the offense is finishing drives. In the games the Harvesters won, they could have put away their opponents much earlier than they did. In the losses, Pampa's lack of ability to finish drives allowed the opposition to continue to hold momentum and put the game out of reach by halftime. Part of the reason the Harvesters haven't finished drives, especially early in games, is the lack of a running game. This is either because the running backs aren't finding the holes or the offensive line can't hold its blocks long enough for the running backs to get through the holes. No matter the reason, this has made it easier for defenses to stop Pampa because they can go after Reid Miller knowing Pampa is going to pass. A good running

attack will allow the Harvesters to keep opponents off-balance, which should lead to more success earlier in games.

Furthermore, Pampa hasn't developed a second or third receiver to support senior Latigo Collins. Our district opponents are familiar with us and know that Collins is our leading receiver. Odds are, they are going to double him and try to limit his production. If that's the case, the Harvesters need someone else to step up and take away that attention.

A solid spread offense has multiple viable options. Collins has caught 55 percent of Miller's completions with 43. The next closest receiver is Trace Carter with 14. If you look at Texas Tech's spread offense, which is one of the best in the NCAA, its leading receiver, Darrin Moore has only caught 17 percent of Seth Doege's completions. They have six receivers with at least 10 catches. One of the ways for Pampa to create more options is get the running backs involved in the passing game, though that will only be productive if Miller is able to have good protection without them blocking. If the Harvesters have more options, it's going to be tougher for opponents to defend. Defensively, the



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Harvesters have improved significantly. Last year going into its bye week, Pampa was allowing an average of 41 points per game. This season, the Harvesters are only giving up 24 points per game, which is second to Dalhart in the district. For the first time since 2007, the Harvesters have recorded two shutouts. Some of the improvement is Pampa being able to limit the outside run. Against Iowa Park and Vernon, Pampa made their running backs non-factors thus making those teams one-dimensional.

Still, the nagging problem for Pampa's defense is the multi-threat quarterback. The Harvesters did well against Wichita Falls Hirschi but struggled against Lubbock Estacado, Randall and Snyder. Granted, some of these quarterbacks are super athletes and will get their fair share of yardage anyway. Still, the Harvesters have to limit that in district. They can do that by putting their opponents in more long yardage situations because the best defense against a multi-threat quarterback is taking away one of those threats.

Now, the first season is over and the second one starts in two weeks, with the stakes higher. Every outcome could be the difference between having a game November 11 or turning in equipment November

7 (the Monday after the last game). In those games, the Harvesters might not score or get a stop on their first possession but they can't let that bother them. A football game isn't like a sitcom where the conflict is solved within five minutes. It's more like a two-hour action movie, where the protagonist overcomes several struggles before succeeding in the final challenge.

Pampa needs to be able to not let a bad possession get them down and fight for the next possession. If they are able to do that, then in the fourth quarter we should have a chance to win. Who knows? When the clock reaches all zeroes on November 4 against Dalhart, maybe we will have a district championship to celebrate.

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### BANANAGRAMS!

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### CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I were on vacation out of state with our four young children, staying at a large resort that offered a free buffet breakfast. While my husband tended to the children's beverages and eating utensils, I stood in line to make waffles for everyone. (There were three waffle irons available.)

As I made four waffles for the six of us — as others were doing for their families — a woman began berating me and another man for "monopolizing" the waffle irons. She said we should make only one waffle at a time and then get back in line. She went on to insult our kids by saying that by feeding our kids whole waffles for breakfast, we are responsible for the epidemic of childhood obesity in this country.

Was I being rude? Is there a rule of etiquette regarding waffle-making in a buffet? We like to sit down as a family and enjoy our meal together. — WAFLING IN THE SOUTH

DEAR WAFLING: As far as I know, you broke no rule of etiquette. What you encountered was a hungry woman who was taking her

impatience out on you. She is lucky you didn't hand her an egg and tell her to go suck on it.

DEAR ABBY: Two weeks before our youngest child's wedding, my husband of more than 40 years suddenly became obsessed with worry that I was unfaithful. It was unfounded and nearly ruined the wedding for both of us. This continued for two weeks after the wedding, until he finally vowed to "let it go." My husband is now bending over backward to make it up to me. He is as thoughtful and passionate as if we were on our honeymoon again. While I'm enjoying the attention, I can't help but wonder if he is the guilty one. What do you think? — TURNING THE TABLES IN ILLINOIS

DEAR TURNING THE TABLES: What I think isn't nearly as important as what YOU think. If you think he has been unfaithful, you may be right. The question now is, what do you intend to do about it? If you no longer trust your husband, then marriage counseling would be appropriate. DEAR ABBY: I lost my wife and only child three

years ago in a car accident. I felt my life ended that day, but I've managed to put the pieces back together thanks to the support of my family and friends. Now I'm at the point where I think I'm strong enough to start dating again.

When do I tell my date what happened? I don't want to scare her away with my story. It's a big part of who I am, but it's not ALL I am. First dates are about getting to know someone and it's hard not to share this, but I'm uncomfortable sharing right away. Do you have any advice? — TENTATIVE IN MINNESOTA

DEAR TENTATIVE: I see no reason why you should disclose all the details of what happened to your wife and child on a first or second date. If the subject of your marital status is raised, it's perfectly all right to say that you are a widower, that the subject is a painful one, and you will share more details when you know the person better. It would be insensitive for anyone to press you for more information after hearing a statement like that.



# Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

**DEAR ABBY:** I read the letter from "On My Own in Bloomington, Ind." (Aug. 5), who needed a ride to her colonoscopy appointment but didn't have transportation. Your suggestions were admirable, but there is another service you should be aware of.

Many states have a 2-1-1 Information and Referral Service, often sponsored by the local United Way. It has trained information and referral specialists available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to listen to individuals' needs or questions, help callers make informed decisions, and link them to a variety of community resources that fit their needs.

Those needs could be anything from a volunteer driver for a medical appointment to help caring for an aging relative, consumer help, child-care services, finding a local food shelf, domestic abuse shelter or chemical dependency treatment. When you don't know whom to call, call 2-1-1. It is available to help you find answers confidentially. — LYNETTA IN DULUTH, MINN.

**DEAR LYNETTA:** My readers never cease to amaze me. You always come through with all kinds of suggestions for any situation, as you did again. Thanks to all of you. I'm sure the information will be appreciated. My newspaper readers' comments:

**DEAR ABBY:** I have a few suggestions for "On My Own." She should contact a social worker at the hospital where her doctor works. As you pointed out, many people have this problem, and I bet the social worker will have some solutions. Second, there is probably a nursing school nearby. She should contact the dean of students to find out whether a nursing student would be available and would like to earn some extra money in this useful way. — JACQUELINE, R.N., NEW YORK

**DEAR ABBY:** This is one of the many jobs home health care aides are hired and trained for. My mother has worked for an agency and has accompanied many clients — seniors and younger people — on doctor and hospital visits. Many businesses that advertise "senior care" also provide services to non-seniors with disabilities, temporary health issues, and people who just need a "friend" for a few hours.

There are also volunteer organizations that provide similar services, although some may not have training or appropriate insurance or be bonded by the organization, as many home-health care businesses do. — ALEXANDRA IN PITTSBURGH

**DEAR ABBY:** Many senior centers offer this service for medical appointments and procedures. The drivers are covered by insurance and are trained on customer service techniques. My husband has taken many people for this procedure. He typically leaves his number with the medical staff, who call him when the patient is ready to be picked up. Rarely do patients need someone at home with them afterward as long as they stay quiet. — HAPPY TO HELP IN IRVINE, CALIF.

**DEAR ABBY:** One solution to the problem of not having family/friends available to accompany a single person for a colonoscopy is to trade time. I'll go with you for yours, and you go with me for mine. — RICK IN WISCONSIN

**DEAR ABBY:** There are non-medical in-home care providers in many cities such as Seniors Helping Seniors that can provide the transportation and companionship that is needed. Check the phone book under Home Health Care and Services or Senior Citizens Organizations, or search the Web for non-medical in-home care. — EILEEN IN LAKE HAVASU CITY, ARIZ.

# Sudoku

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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

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| 2 |   |   |   |   | 7 | 3 | 4 | 9 |

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CONSTRUCTION / MAINTENANCE / BUILDING FACILITIES CONTRACT(S)  
 Dist/Div: Amarillo Contract 0904-00-149 for CRACK SEAL in POTTER County, etc will be opened on November 01, 2011, at 1:00 pm at the State Office.

Plans and specifications are available for inspection, along with bidding proposals, and applications for the TxDOT Prequalified Contractor's list, at the applicable State and/or Dist/Div Offices listed below. If applicable, bidders must submit prequalification information to TxDOT at least 10 days prior to

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the bid date to be eligible to bid on a project. Prequalification materials may be requested from the State Office listed below. Plans for the above contract(s) are available from TxDOT's website at [www.txdot.gov](http://www.txdot.gov) and from reproduction companies at the expense of the contractor.  
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State Office Constr./Maint. Division  
 200 E. Riverside Dr. Austin, Texas 78704  
 Phone: 512-416-2540  
 Dist./Div. Office(s) Amarillo District District Engineer 5715 Canyon Dr Amarillo, Texas 79105-2708  
 Phone: 806-356-3283

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 B-1 Oct. 11, 2011

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 hr@titanspecialties.com  
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Loc. WHEELER, TX- FIRST LOC. 305 Silver Springs Dr., from Inter. Hwy 83 & 152 take Hwy 152 West approx. 1 Mi. then North 1/4 Blk. **SECOND LOC. 910 Canadian St., from same Inter, take Hwy 83 South 6 Blks. to 120th St., then West 2 Blks.**

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AXYDLBAAXR  
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

**10-11 CRYPTOQUOTE**

JFKK ZQT EDM LPCDE

VFJHPSPRE ZLM QYE YQHN

PUVYLEZQE JFE SLFSPZH PQ

RDYA JFRPQMRR. — DZHREYQ  
Yesterday's Cryptquote: THE SECRET OF SALVATION IS THIS: KEEP SWEET, BE USEFUL AND KEEP BUSY. — ELBERT HUBBARD

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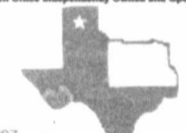
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**AUSTIN SCHOOL DISTRICT** North and Northeast

|                                  |           |                         |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| 1915 Holly Ln.....               | \$162,500 | 4/2.5/2 - 2179 SF/GCAD  |
| 2314 Fir St.....                 | \$152,500 | 3/1.75/2 - 1895 SF/GCAD |
| 1130 Williston St.....           | \$147,900 | 5/2/2 - 2711 SF/GCAD    |
| 2541 Christine St.....           | \$129,500 | 3/1.75/2 - 2050 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.....             | \$57,900  | 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    |
| 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 |

**WILSON SCHOOL DISTRICT** Southwest Pampa

|                      |          |                      |
|----------------------|----------|----------------------|
| 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 |

**OTHER AREAS** Outside Pampa City Limits

|                                 |           |                             |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| 804-805 W. Jackson Ave, WD..... | \$140,000 | 4/2/2 - 2536 SF/CCAD duplex |
| 600 W 3rd Av, WD.....           | \$67,500  | 3/1/1 - 1100 F/CCAD         |
| 507 Ware Av, Groom.....         | \$47,500  | 3/1/1 - 1924 SF/CCAD        |
| 609 Gulf, Lefors.....           | \$34,995  | 2/1/1 - 898 SF/GCAD         |

**COMMERCIAL PROPERTY & LAND**

|                                |             |                                           |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------------|
| 9.58 Acres east hosp.....      | \$2,503,828 | 9.58 acres east of hospital               |
| 120 S. Gillespie St.....       | \$4,100/mo  | For Lease - 7,372 SF/GCAD                 |
| 11756 Hwy 152.....             | \$2,500,000 | 12 acres, 2 bldgs 25,000 SF each          |
| 30th & Charles St.....         | \$1,999,404 | 50.9 acres of land N of Walmart           |
| 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                            |
| 1801 Alcock St.....            | \$185,000   | Office Building, 3,100 SF/GCAD Caté       |
| 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                        |
| FM 2300, 40 Groom.....         | \$145,000   | Building and +/- 6 acres                  |
| 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 Bldg 1 North Crest Sec 1            |
| 405 W Foster Av.....           | \$65,000    | 2,000 SF/GCAD C/H/A                       |
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| 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                                 |
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| Holly Lot 10.....              | \$10,000    | Residential Lot 85' x 120'                |
| Seminole Dr.....               | \$9,000     | Lot 13 Bldg 15 Mesilla Park               |
| Seminole Dr.....               | \$9,000     | Lot 14 Bldg 15 Mesilla Park               |
| Dogwood Ln.....                | \$9,000     | Lot 2 & 40.35' of Lot 1                   |
| Jupiter St.....                | \$9,000     | Lot 3 Bldg 4 Country Club Heights         |
| Jupiter St.....                | \$6,500     | Lot 7 Bldg 3 Country Club Heights         |

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**Tralee Crisis Center Board** President Martha Porter (left) and Executive Director Dee Dee Laramore (right) witness Pampa Mayor Brad Pingel signing a proclamation declaring October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Pampa.

### Honorable

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Laramore, executive director of the Tralee Crisis Center. "The march itself is a somber event with drums beating once every three seconds to represent how often domestic violence occurs across the United States.

"We also take this time to recognize the women in Texas who died at the hands of an intimate partner this past year," she continued. "In 2009, that included 111 women — just in Texas."

Laramore thanked Pingel and the city for their support in promoting the March and domestic violence awareness.

"They're wonderful," said Laramore. "Brad Pingel, this is his first year as mayor. He was a member of our board at one time. He and his wife have always been strong supporters."

Marchers during the event will proceed from City Hall west down Kingsmill Avenue to First Baptist Church, which

will host a reception in the Fellowship Hall after the march. There, Tralee and march participants will celebrate men who exhibit non-violent qualities and character by reading selected 100-word essays about "honorable men" submitted by the public. The men recognized by these essays will be honored with a certificate naming each as a "2011 Honorable Man." Essays can be sent to e-mailed to Laramore at [deedee.tralee@sbcglobal.net](mailto:deedee.tralee@sbcglobal.net); submissions are being accepted until Friday.

For more information on the March or on Tralee in general, contact the center at 806-669-1131. Tralee's 24-hour hotline, 806-669-1788 or 1-800-658-2796, is available to anyone seeking more information about services for victims of domestic violence, sexual assault and violent crime.

### CSAPR

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Energy customer using 1,000 kilowatt-hours.

Hill added that the CSAPR fails to take into account that SPS has been a leader in reducing emissions since Harrington Generating Station Unit 1 in Amarillo, the company's first coal-fired facility, started operations in 1976.

"We chose a low-sulfur

coal for Harrington and the subsequent coal units that were built through 1985," Hill said. "And we've spent tens of millions in the past five years to reduce nitrogen oxide emissions. We are committed to making improvements at our coal plants to assure reliable operation in compliance with the law, but there's no way

to complete these projects by Jan. 1 and our customers shouldn't be penalized for it.

"Further, our region is creating jobs and at a much stronger pace than the rest of the nation," Hill said. "The CSAPR rule and the specter of dramatically increased costs for electricity is a real threat to that recovery."

### Ban

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blaze in already fire-stricken Bastrop County, was 75 percent contained as of Friday. Two hundred fifty-one of the

254 Texas counties, including Gray, are still reporting burn bans.

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## Davis seeks Valero request info

FORT WORTH (AP) — A state senator said late Friday that she has filed a legislative inquiry into a tax refund request by a San Antonio-based refinery company.

Sen. Wendy Davis, D-Fort Worth, said she filed the legislative request for documents, emails and other evidence related to Valero Energy Corp.'s 2007 request for a tax exemption. Valero argues that it qualifies for a tax exemption under an amendment to the Texas Constitution that says industrial plants don't have to pay taxes on equipment purchased to reduce on-site pollution.

Valero's initial request was denied by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The company appealed, and the panel's chairman said last April that the Legislature probably intended a broader interpretation of the law. He instructed his staff to research whether they could award partial exemptions to Valero. There is no timeline for a decision.

Valero is among the nation's largest oil refineries seeking huge tax refunds that could cause school districts and local gov-

ernments across Texas to return tens of millions of dollars. The refineries want the tax breaks in exchange for buying pollution controlling equipment.

Schools alone could be forced to hand over \$62.8 million, according to data compiled by The Associated Press.

"Our school districts have already been underfunded by more than \$5 billion over the next two years while outdated corporate tax loopholes were protected by those in charge in the Legislature," Davis said. "We cannot afford political maneuvering that bleeds even more resources from our classrooms. Taking care of our schoolchildren should take priority over political cronyism."

The TCEQ, a three-member commission appointed by Republican Gov. Rick Perry, is evaluating 16 refund requests that could add up to more than \$135 million, according to county tax data and application documents analyzed by the AP. If the commission grants the requests, at least 12 other refineries that have not sought a refund also could qualify.

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To register your child, email Millie at [mvanover@pphm.wtamu.edu](mailto:mvanover@pphm.wtamu.edu) or call (806) 651-2249 by Friday, November 4.

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