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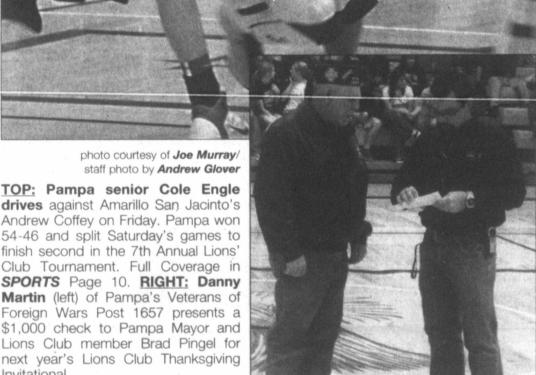
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### Twenty people indicted by Gray County grand jury

**ARNIE AURELLANO** editor@thepampanews.com

Invitational.

A Gray County grand jury returned 24 indictments against 20 people this month, with charges ranging from possession of a controlled substance and driving while intoxicated to assault against a family member.

Matthew Dustin Cates, 34, was indicted on charges of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated in connection to an incident on Aug. 22, 2011. He was convicted of the same twice before, once in September 2001 and again in April 2009. His bond was set at \$5,500.

Delbert Wayne Gifford, 43, was indicted

substance (methamphetamine) in an amount of less than one gram in connection to an incident on June 6, 2011. His bond was set at \$5,000.

Monty Dan Hand, 28, was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) in an amount of less than one gram in connection to an incident on Feb. 15, 2011. His bond was set at \$2,500.

Justin Cody Hazelwood, 24, was indicted on charges of evading arrest with a vehicle in connection to an incident on March 18, 2011. His bond was set at \$5,000.

Courtney Gail Honeycutt, 19, was indicted

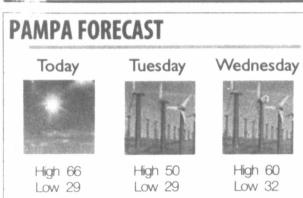
on charges of possession of a controlled on charges of possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) in an amount of less than one gram in connection with an incident on June 3, 2011. Honeycutt's bond was set at \$5,000.

Pamela Jane Howe, 34, was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) in an amount of less than one gram in connection with an incident on Feb. 21, 2011. Her bond was set at \$5,000.

Cutter Doy Hutchison, 39, was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) in an amount of one gram or more but less than four grams in **INDICTMENTS** cont. on page 3



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Today: Sunny, with a high near 66. Wind chill values between 19 and 29 early. West southwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 29. Wind chill values between 20 and 25. Windy, with a calm wind becoming north between 15 and 20 mph. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 50. Wind chill values between 17 and 27 early. Windy, with a north wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 29. North northwest wind between 5 and 10 mph.

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 60. Windy, with a south southwest wind between 10 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 32. Windy, with a south wind 15 to 20 mph becoming north northwest. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

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### **GOP** Latinos face background questions

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) - More Latino Republicans are seeking and winning elected office and their families' background are becoming the subject of increased scrutiny from some liberal Latino activists.

Experts say it's a reaction to Latino Republicans' conservative views on immigration, and the scrutiny into their background is a new phenomenon that Latino Democrats rarely faced.

"It's a trend and we are seeing more of it," said Alfonso Aguilar, executive director of the Washington, D.C.based Latino Partnership for Conservative Principles. New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez, a Republican

and the nation's only Latina governor, recently found documents that suggested that her grandfather legally entered the country. Previous reports said her grandfather was an illegal immigrant.

Marco Rubio, Florida's GOP senator, also was accused of embellishing his family's immigrant story and later corrected his Senate website.

Brigham Young University history professor Ignacic Garcia said most Latino voters tend to vote Democratic but Republicans are more successful at recruiting Latino candidates.

### MMUNITYcalendar

### Through Friday, Dec. 2

 "Country Christmas: Shop Pampa and Win!" For info call 669-3241. Tuesday, Nov. 15

 County Commission meeting, 9 a.m.

· PISD School Board meeting, Carver Center Admin Office, 6 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 30 · Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K Brown Room of the Chamber office.

 Pampa City Commission Work Session and Special meeting, 3:30 p.m. at City Hall

#### Thursday, Dec. 1

· Pampa Lions Club meets, noon at the First United Methodist Church. Friday, Dec. 2

 Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of the First Methodist Church.

### Saturday, Dec. 3

· Pampa Chamber of Commerce "Country Christmas" parade, 2 p.m. Altrusa's "Soup with Mrs. Claus," Knights of Columbus hall.

#### Wednesday, Dec. 7

 Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K Brown Room of the Cham-

ber office. Thursday, Dec. 8

· Pampa Lions Club meets, noon at the First United Methodist Church. Friday, Dec. 9

 Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of the First Methodist Church.

Saturday, Dec. 10

· Optimist Club's "Christmas Shopping Tour."

### Wednesday, Dec. 14

 Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K Brown Room of the Chamber office.

Thursday, Dec. 15

· Pampa Lions Club meets, noon at the First United Methodist Church. Friday, Dec. 16

 Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of the First Methodist Church.

### Wednesday, Dec. 21

 Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K Brown Room of the Chamber office.

### Thursday, Dec. 22

· Pampa Lions Club meets, noon at the First United Methodist Church. Friday, Dec. 23

 Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of the First Methodist Church.

Sunday, Dec. 25 CHRISTMAS

Wednesday, Dec. 28

 Pampa Rotary Club meets, noon at the M.K Brown Room of the Chamber office.

Thursday, Dec. 29

· Pampa Lions Club meets, noon at the First United Methodist Church. Friday, Dec. 30

· Pampa Kiwanis Club meets, noon in the basement of the First Methodist Church.

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. Submissions should include only the date, time, location and contact number for the event. The Pampa News reserves the right to edit or reject any submission. Items will be considered for the calendar solely at the discretion of the newspaper.

### Public Meeting Agendas LAST MINUTE ADS

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### Nov. 30, 2011 The City Commission reserves the right to adjourn into

executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed below, as authorized by the Texas Government Code, Section 551.071

### CALL TO ORDER

DISCUSSION ITEM - No action to be taken

I. Texas Municipal Retirement System - TMRS Representative

II. Discuss Senate Bill 1 00 and its relationship to potential Charter Amendment.

III. Preliminary Discussion: General Charter Review

### SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA

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 five (5) minutes for their presentation to the City Commission.

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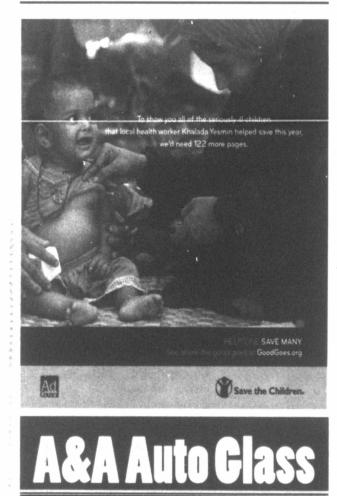
support of the City of Pampa for the fiscal year beginning

AUTHORIZATIONS BY CITY COMMISSION Consider approve on first reading Ordinance No.

October 1, 2011, ending September 30, 2012.

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ADJOURNMENT CALL TO ORDER PUBLIC COMMENTS **CITY OF PAMPA CITY COMMISSION** 

### Obituaries

### Myra Jane Roth, 83

Myra Jane Roth, 83, died Friday, November 25 in Pampa.

Services were at 1:30 p.m. Saturday November 26, at Memory Gardens Mausoleum with Rev. Norman Rushing, pastor of Central Baptist Church officiating. Burial was at Memory Gardens under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Roth was born July

19, 1928 in Borger to Burt and Fannie Kennedy Merideth. She was a 1946 graduate of Lefors High School and had been a resident of Pampa since 1955, moving from Kellerville. Myra married J. D. Roth on Jan. 10, 1949 in Panhandle. He preceded her in death on Dec. 19, 2006. She worked for the Pampa Independent School District first in the school tax office and then later was school librarian at Baker Elementary School. Myra was a member of Central Baptist Church.

Myra is survived by three sons: Joe Roth and wife Beverly of Livingston, Jay Lynn Roth and wife Heidi of Farmington, NM, and John Roth of Pampa; 4 grandchildren: Kris Roth and Taylor Roth, both of Farmington, NM, Stephen Roth of Tyler, and Cody Roth of Belton; and by numerous nieces, nephews, and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Central Baptist Church Building funding, 513 E. Francis, Pampa, TX, 79065.

Sign the online register book at www.carmichaelwhatley.com.

### Margaret

Morgan, 93

Margaret Morgan, 93, died Thursday, November 24, 2011.

Graveside service will be at Restland Funeral How in Dallas 4 p.m. today. Mrs.

Morgan was born April 21, 1918 in Morgan



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Dallas. She married Clarence Morgan in December 1941 and they celebrated 26 years of marriage be fore his passing in December 1967. After her retire ment Margaret moved to Pampa, Texas in 1987.

She is survived by her four sons, Bob Plumlee o New Mexico, Murray Morgan of Dallas, Ron and Mary Morgan of Dallas, and Ken and Tammy Morgan of Pampa, Texas. She has seven grand childrer and seven great grand children. She was very swee and compassionate person and will be missed by all.

### Charles W. "Charlie" Shelton, 91

Charles W. "Charlie" Shelton, 91, died Saturday No vember 26 in Amarillo.

Services will be 1:30 p.m. Tuesday November 29 a St. Paul United Methodist Church with Steve Cox, pastor, and Rev. Dan Campbell of Round Rock, officiating Burial will be at Farview Cemetery under the direction o Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Shelton was born Aug. 27, 1920 in Gage, Oklahoma and had been a resident of Pampa since 1922. He was a 1938 graduate of Pampa High School and attended West Texas State University. He served in the U.S. Army in the European Theatre during World War II and was honorably discharged with the rank of sergeant. Charlie

married Dorothy Hollingshead on Dec. 31, 1948 in Pampa. She preceded him in death on Dec. 5, 2004. He was shop foreman for the City of Pampa for 32 years. Charlie was a member of St. Paul United Methodist Church, Pampa Masonic Lodge #966, and the Pampa Senior Citizens Center where he enjoyed playing bridge with his friends.



He is survived by a

son: Curtis Shelton of Pampa; a sister: Joella Skeen o Georgetown; a sister-in-law: Pattye Hopkins of Marble Falls; and by numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to St. Paul United Methodis Church, 511 N. Hobart, Pampa, TX 79065. Sign. the online register book at www.carmichael-

whatley.com.



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### **MORNING***RUSH*

### \$753,000 given to exoneree

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas will pay a Dallas County man released from prison in 2006 after DNA evidence exonerated him of a rape that he did not commit an additional \$753,000 on top of \$1 million already paid for the 20 years he spent wrongfully imprisoned.

Larry Fuller was pardoned in 2007 and in 2009 the Legislature raised compensation for the exonerated to \$80,000 per year spent in prison. Initially Comptroller Susan Combs denied Fuller's request for more money, but after Fuller sued, the state settled, the Austin American-Statesman reported. The Texas Supreme Court dismissed the case Nov. 18.

R.J. DeSilva, a spokesman for the agency, said the state paid because Fuller filed his request in the threeyear window. The filing deadline has passed for all other exonerees, he said.

### Car strikes house; teen killed

FORT WORTH (AP) - A Fort Worth teen has died after a car he was riding in skidded off the road and slammed into a house.

The Tarrant County medical examiner's office says that 17-year-old Christian Hernandez was pronounced dead at 1:34 a.m. Saturday at John Peter Smith Hospital. Police say Hernandez was riding in the back left passenger seat of a Chevrolet Cobalt when it clipped a minivan, hit a retaining wall, rolled onto its right side, hit a parked car and finally stuck the corner of a garage in north Fort Worth.

The car's three other occupants were not seriously injured. The house's roof collapsed and a woman inside suffered minor injuries.

Police told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that it had started to rain shortly before the crash.

### **DPS limits Occupy Austin**

AUSTIN (AP) — Occupy Austin protestors' first attempt to expand from city hall to the Texas state capitol grounds has been limited by Department of Public Safety troopers

About 30 protestors left the capitol peacefully after the troopers cited State Preservation Board regulations on Saturday afternoon that limit protests without permits to three hours during a 24-hour period. They had been on the steps since about 11 a.m.

Troopers at the capitol declined to comment.

Ihor Gowda who protested at the capitol told the Austin American-Statesman that protestors hoped to establish a long-term presence at the capitol. Protestors have been voicing their concerns outside city hall since October. He said it was disturbing that there was no zone for free speech on the capitol grounds.

### Child in foster care for weight

CLEVELAND (AP) - An Ohio third-grader who weighs more than 200 pounds has been taken from his family and placed into foster care after county social workers said his mother wasn't doing enough to control his weight.

The Plain Dealer reports that the Cleveland 8-year-old is considered severely obese and at risk for such diseases as diabetes and hypertension.

The case is the first state officials can recall of a child

### Indictments

connection with an incident on April 4, 2011. Hutchison had previously been convicted of arson in October 1994; Hutchison's bond was set a \$15,000.

Clayton Durand Johnson, 47, was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance (cocaine) in an amount of less than one gram in connection with an incident on May 15, 2010. His bond was set at \$8,000.

Ryan John Kelley, 26, was indicted on charges of assault of a family/household member in connection with an incident on May 10, 2011. Kelley had previously been convicted of a similar offense in December 2008 in Randall County. Kelley's bond was set at \$3,000.

Jeremiah Layne Kendrick, 31, was indicted on charges of possession of marijuana in an amount of five pounds or less but more than four ounces in connection with an incident on June 21, 2011. His bond was set at \$5,000.

Lonnie Wayne Kirklin, 50, was indicted on charges of driving while intoxicated in connection to an incident on April 2, 2011. He has two prior convictions relating to the operation of a motor vehicle while intoxicated, once in March 1995 and again in November 1995. His bond was set at \$6,000.

Steven Douglas McAlpine, 43, was indicted on charges of driving while intoxicated with a child younger than 15 years of age in connection with an incident on May 28, 2011. His bond was set at \$5,000.

Daniel Duran Montero, 25. was indicted on

charges of driving while intoxicated with a child younger than 15 years of age in connection with an incident on June 26, 2011. His bond was set at \$2,500.

.Teressa Ann Organ, 38, was indicted on charges of manufacture/delivery of a controlled substance (methadone) in an amount of four grams or more but less than 200 grams in connection with an incident on Jan. 26, 2011. She was also indicted for manufacture/ delivery of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) stemming from an incident on the same date.

Her total bond was set at \$50,000.

Misty Gale Pierce, 36, was indicted on charges of injury to a child 14 years of age or younger in connection to an incident on May 29, 2011. Her bond was set at \$2,500.

Adam Ross Slater, 29, was indicted on two counts of indecency with a child involving sexual contact, once in connection to an incident on July 20, 2004 and the other due to an incident on May 2, 2009. He was also indicted on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon stemming from a Jan. 1, 2011 incident involving the firing of a weapon at Jesus Villegas. Slater's total bond was set at \$45,000.

David Keith Smith, 47, was indicted on charges of driving while intoxicated in connection to an incident on May 11, 2011. He had previously been convicted of operating a vehicle while intoxicated in February 1986 and again in October 1986. He was also convicted of felony escape in February 2000. His bond was set at \$4,500. Richard Dale Stinnett,

54, was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) in an amount of one gram or more but less than four grams in connection with an incident on May 17, 2011. He had previously been convicted of aggravated robbery in March 1978. His bond was set at \$7,500.

James Leroy Triplett, 46, was indicted on charges of possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) in an amount of less than one gram in connection with an incident on April 4,

connection with an incident on Jan. 26, 2011. He was also indicted on charges of manufacture/ delivery of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) in connection with an incident on the same date. He had previously been convicted of delivery of a controlled substance in July 1988 and possession of a controlled substance in July 1991. His bond was set at

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Edward Ray Williams,

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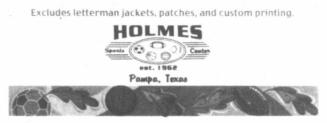
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being put in foster care strictly for a weight-related issue. Lawyers for the mother say the county overreached when authorities took the boy last week. They say the medical problems he is at risk for do not yet pose an imminent danger.

A spokeswoman says the county removed the child because caseworkers saw his mother's inability to reduce his weight as medical neglect.

### Three face prison time on scam

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) - Talk about a dirty scam.

Federal prosecutors in Florida say at least three people working for a septic tank company duped customers into buying about \$1 million in unnecessary products - in some cases enough toilet paper to last more than 70 years.

More than a dozen customers were told they needed special toilet paper to avoid ruining their septic tanks because the federal government changed regulations on toilet paper. The federal government does not regulate septic tank products.

The trio pleaded guilty in federal court to conspiring to commit wire fraud.

The Miami Herald reported that they worked for FBK Products. A phone number for the Riviera Beach-based company was not working Saturday.

The trio faces up to two decades in prison when they are sentenced in February.

### NASA launches rover to Mars

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) - The world's biggest extraterrestrial explorer is on its way to Mars.

NASA on Saturday launched the six-wheeled, onearmed robotic rover, nicknamed Curiosity. An unmanned rocket blasted off with the spacecraft from Cape Canaveral.

The journey to Mars will take 81/2 months and cover 354 million miles.

Curiosity weighs a ton and is the size of a car. It's a mobile, nuclear-powered laboratory holding 10 science instruments that will sample Martian soil and rocks, and analyze them right on the spot. There's a drill as well as a stone-zapping laser machine.

Curiosity will spend two years looking for evidence that Mars may once have been — or still is — suitable for microbial life.

- The mission costs \$2.5 billion.
- Thousands of NASA guests converged on Kennedy Space Center for the launch.





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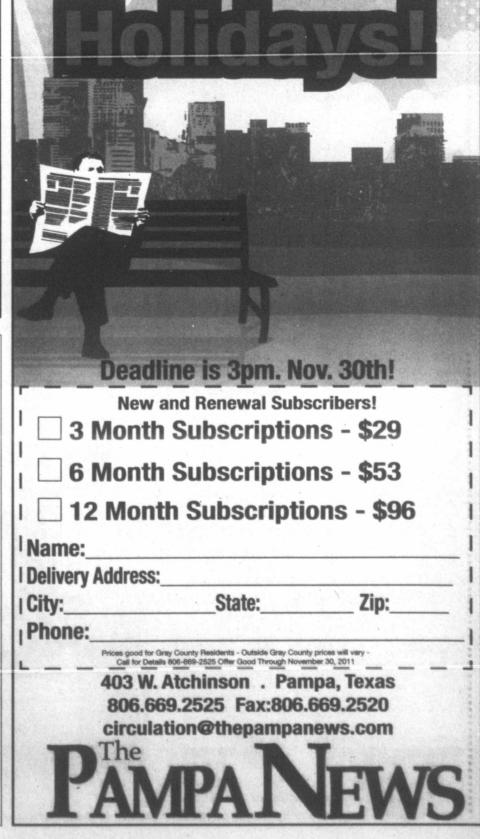
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### **Today in History**

Today is Monday, Nov. 28, the 332nd day of 2011. There are 33 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 28, 1961, President John F. Kennedy dedicated the original permanent headquarters of the Central Intelligence Agency in Langley, Va. On this date:

In 1520, Portuguese navigator Ferdinand Magellan reached the Pacific Ocean after passing through the South American strait that now bears his name

In 1861, the Confederate Congress admitted Missouri as the 12th state of the Confederacy after Missouri's disputed secession from the Union.

In 1885, at the end of the Third Anglo-Burmese War, British troops occupied Mandalay

In 1905, Sinn Fein was founded in Dublin. In 1958, Chad, Gabon and Middle Congo became

autonomous republics within the French community

In 1961, Ernie Davis of Syracuse University became the first African-American football player to be named winner of the Heisman Trophy

In 1964, the United States launched the space probe Mariner 4 on a course to Mars.

In 1979, an Air New Zealand DC-10 en route to the South Pole crashed into a mountain in Antarctica, killing all 257 people aboard.

In 1987, a South African Airways Boeing 747 crashed into the Indian Ocean with the loss of all 159 people aboard.

Ten years ago: Enron Corp., once the world's largest energy trader, collapsed after would-be rescuer Dynegy Inc. backed out of an \$8.4 billion deal to take it over.

Five years ago: At the opening of a NATO summit in Latvia, President George W. Bush rejected suggestions Iraq had fallen into civil war and vowed not to pull U.S. troops out "until the mission is complete." The U.N. Security Council voted unanimously to extend for a year the mandate of the 160,000-strong multinational force in Iraq.

One year ago: European Union nations meeting in Brussels agreed to give 67.5 billion euros (\$89.4 billion) in bailout loans to Ireland to help it weather the cost of its massive banking crisis. WikiLeaks began disclosing over 250,000 private cables written by U.S. diplomats, divulging candid comments from world leaders and detailing occasional U.S. pressure tactics aimed at hot spots in Afghanistan, Iran and North Korea. Samuel T. Cohen, the inventor of the neutron bomb, died in Los Angeles at age 89.

Today's Birthdays: Recording executive Berry Gordy Jr. is 82. Singer-songwriter Bruce Channel is 71. Singer Randy Newman is 68. Movie director Joe Dante is 64. "Late Show" orchestra leader Paul Shaffer is 62. Actor Ed Harris is 61. Former NASA teacher in space Barbara Morgan is 60. Actress S. Epatha Merkerson is 59. Former Country singer Kristine Arnold (Sweethearts of the Rodeo) is 55. Actor Judd Nelson is 52. Movie director Alfonso Cuaron is 50. Rock musician Matt Cameron is 49. Actress Jane Sibbett is 49. Comedian Jon Stewart is 49. Actress Garcelle Beauvais-Nilon is 45. Hiphop musician apl.de.ap (Black Eyed Peas) is 37. Actress Aimee Garcia is 33. Actor Daniel Henney is 32. Actress Mary Elizabeth Winstead is 27. Actress Searlett Pomers is 23. Thought for Today: "Knowledge is proud that it knows so much; wisdom is humble that it knows no more." -William Cowper, English poet (1731-1800).

The latest New York Times/ CBS News poll had bad news for Congress, whose support is down to single digits. But it had even worse news for the Republic. Americans' distrust of government, the pollsters found, is "at its highest level ever."

A lot of this ire is focused on Congress, which an overwhelming majority believe is incapable of acting on behalf of the nation as a whole, but it has come to take in all of Washington. The poll's findings can be summed up in the words of one respondent, a small-businesswoman from Arizona. "Probably the government in Washington could be trusted at one time," she told the Times, "but now it seems like it's all a game of who wins rather than what's best for the people."

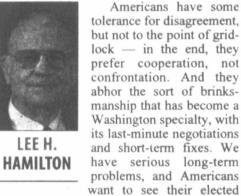
When so many Americans believe that their representatives in Washington do not have their best interests in mind, something is desperately off-kilter. It means that Americans feel betrayed by how the political class operates.

in one way or another. I've always been impressed by the importance Americans place on fairness; they strive to be fair to those around them, and they expect government to do the same.

They also want government to be open. This is not a blanket pronouncement where national security and defense are concerned, or where congressional negotiators need space to find com-

mon ground without being forced to posture for the cameras, there is a place for secrecy. But transparency ought to be the rule. Secrecy feeds suspicion and distrust of government. Politicians must be sensitive to this.

Speaking to audiences around the country, I've also been struck by the deep thirst for accountability



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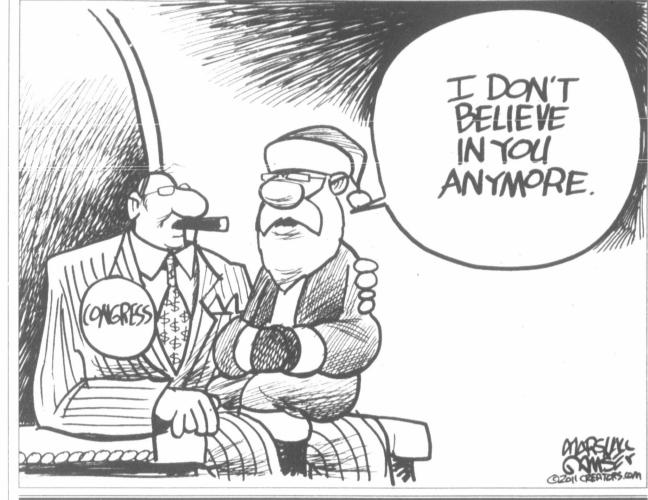
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officials working on them. They want remedies, not filibusters and scorched-earth politicking.

Finally, they want honesty. Americans really do want to know the scope of the problems they confront and to make up their own minds about them. They resent politicians who paper over the difficulties of the problems or toss off inadequate



# How to fix distrust in government



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So the question becomes what can be done to restore the people's trust in government. May I suggest it involves more than changing policies. It means paying attention to the values that people would like to see embodied in government.

It is a fact of life that American voters respond to likability — a sense of connection --- in their candidates. But that's not how they judge politicians once they're in office. Instead, they really do care about how elected officials govern.

To start, they want fairness from Washington. Whatever you think of the Tea Party or Occupy Wall Street, both have touched a nerve, a sense that our political leaders have not just grown distant from the concerns of ordinary Americans, but actively discriminate against them

in Washington. It is very hard to determine who's responsible for any given situation in the federal government — so many people have their hands on promoting or blocking a given initiative, it can seem that the entire political system is designed to shrug off responsibility.

When the economy is floundering, Americans are desperate for work, and Washington seems incapable of coming to grips with the nation's needs, this is a huge problem. It is hard to respect institutions whose leaders refuse a forthright accounting of, or deny responsibility for, their failures.

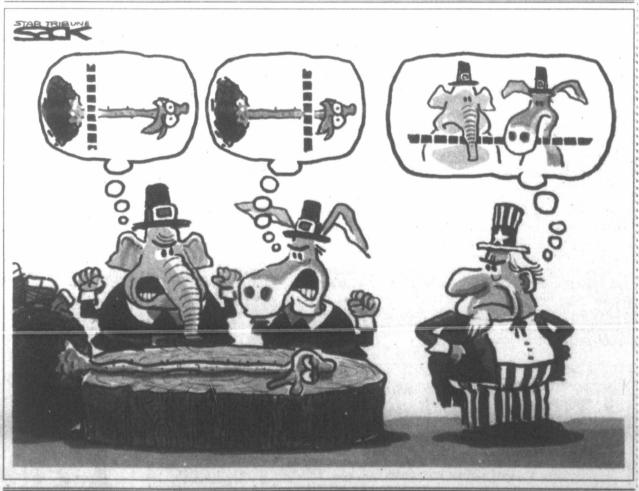
Americans do not expect miracles or understate the difficulties of governing. They do not expect a single person to right the ship of state. Quite the contrary. They want a collective effort, a sense that people in government, regardless of party, are rolling up their sleeves and working together to resolve their differences.

solutions to really tough problems. There is, in the country at large, a thirst for basic facts, not spin. The people can handle the truth, and they deserve no less.

Rebuilding trust in American government will require more than changes in rules or policy. It will rest on the manner in which our elected officials conduct the business. of government, and their willingness to embrace fairness, openness, accountability, cooperation, competence and honesty.

Lack of trust in government is a more serious problem than most politicians believe, one that cannot be resolved easily. The solution can only come from a patient, long-term effort to return to our fundamental values and instincts.

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The Campbell (clockwise from top left), Hampton and Price homes will be on display to guests of the Twentieth Century Cotillion Study Club Christmas Tour of Homes on Sunday.

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"They're all beautiful homes, but different," said Green. "Everyone who goes on the tour will really enjoy them all, I think.'

Tickets are \$10 and will be available at the three participating homes at the start of the tour. Proceeds, as always, will go towards The Opportunity Plan, Inc., a nonprofit organization based in Canyon that provides financial aid to area students for post-secondary education.

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of the plan started in 1965, with the club contributing over \$148,613 to the cause, said Green.

"The club voted in '62 to make The Opportunity Plan our fundraiser (beneficiary)," Green said. "We saw how important it was to have scholarships for local kids. Our very first (fundraiser) was an antique show, and we did that for many years. Then, we began doing the Tour of Homes in '96, and people just really enjoyed it, so we've done it ever since."

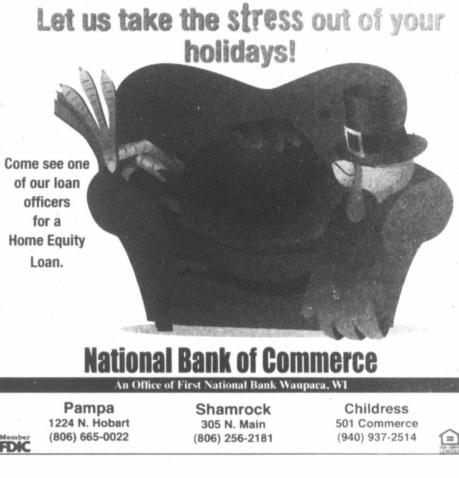
The tour's timing — right at the onset of Christmas season - makes it a popular attraction for people looking for new ideas for their own homes, Green said.

"People love during this time of year to go to other people's homes and looking at their Christmas decorations," Green said. "That's why the tour is always so well received."

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### Drought hurts yield, helps grape quality

LUBBOCK (AP) — West Texas grape grower Neal Newsome went from grappling with a killing freeze to watching his fruit suffer from the state's worst single-year drought.

"You can't win for losing in a year like this. Nothing clicks," said the 57-year-old whose harvest on 115 acres near the New Mexico state line was about a third of the 300 tons he harvested last year.

While grape and wine experts say the drought produced better tasting grapes and won't have a big effect on supply, yields across the state were estimated at half of last year's harvest of 8,900 tons.

There were fewer grape clusters on vines and fewer and smaller grapes on each cluster, said Ed Hellman, the state's viticulturist with Texas AgriLife Extension Service in Lubbock.

Texas, the nation's fifth-largest wine producer, is enduring its driest single-year on record and in August officials estimated agriculture losses for crops and livestock at \$5.2 billion. That figure doesn't include the grape and wine industry, which annually brings \$1.7 billion in economic impact to the state.

"We don't have hard numbers. We have a lot of people's guesses," Hellman said of this year's yields. "Last year was the high point. Lots of new acres in, and there was plenty of rain. It was bumper crops last year."

There are about 400 vineyards on about 3,400 acres across Texas, about two-thirds of that in far West Texas and on the High Plains. Those areas offer low humidity that in turn lowers the chance of fungal diseases.

This year harvests at most vineyards also came early because the triple-digit heat caused the grapes to ripen sooner.

Grape growers in Texas rely predominantly on precipitation — the fruit's water needs are small — but most have irrigation systems used to supplement rainfall.

The vines need rain all year, not just during the growing season, which is April through October. Texas' drought began last fall, right at the end of the growing season, Hellman said.

Growers in the western part of the state have always understood watering during dormant months because there's typically less rain in those semiarid and arid areas. In the Hill Country, however, it's "not been on the radar screen to water" from November through March, Hellman said.

That's changing, though.

"There's a heightened awareness now of how important it is not just during the growing season but also during the dormant season," he said. "It's really easy to forget when the vine is dormant that it still needs a certain amount of soil moisture ... (for) the root system."

Without winter rains, the grapevine's root system can't expand and the plant's canopy won't grow as the plant ages, said Gary Elliott, president of the Texas Wine and Grape Growers Association and owner of a vineyard and winery in Dripping Springs, near Austin.

With so little rain statewide this year, growers who hadn't watered during winter months the past several years really suffered.

"It wasn't until this year that the impact hammered home," said Elliott, whose yield this year was 25 percent of the normal 60 tons he harvests. "This can't continue. If we continue to get these dry winters, it gets progressively worse."

This year's smaller grapes brought an upside: better taste. The grapes have better color and the chemistry inside benefitted from faster ripening and less time on the vine, Elliott said.

"The balance of sugar and acidity was good this year, so

### Drought hurts yield, No rush to apply for Social Security benefits

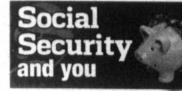
#### Tom MARGENAU Creator's Syndicate

Q: I plan to start my Social Security when I turn 65 in January 2012. When and how should I file? What documents will I need?

The Social Security A٠ Administration usually tells people to file three months before they want their retirement benefits to begin. So you could start the ball rolling any time now. But you really don't have to rush. Standard retirement claims are pretty easy for SSA to deal with, and they generally flow through the system in just a few days. I'm not saying you should wait until Dec. 31 to file for Social Security. The point is that you certainly don't have to run out and file a claim tomorrow.

But here's another thought: You might want to wait until sometime in late January to apply for your Social Security benefits. If you put off filing your claim until after you get your 2011 W-2 form, your earnings will be added into your Social Security computation, which will increase your monthly benefit amount. Because you're filing in January, your claim will be effective that month. You possibly might not get your initial Social Security benefit payment until late February or early March, but that first check will include benefits retroactive until January.

I don't want to scare you and other readers into thinking that you won't get credit for your 2011 earnings if you don't present them with a W-2 form at the time you file. If you file your Social Security claim tomorrow, for example, your initial benefit will be computed without your 2011 earnings added into the mix. But sometime during 2012, SSA will get a report of your 2011 earnings from the Internal Revenue Service, and at that time, your benefit will be refigured to give you credit for the additional income. And that refigured benefit will be retroactive to January 2012.



You also asked how to apply for Social Security benefits and what documents you need. Today, most people file their retirement claims online at SocialSecurity.gov. But if you prefer old-fashioned human contact, you can call the Social Security Administration at 800-772-1213 and set up an appointment to file your claim by phone or even in person at your local Social Security office.

Most people need only one official document when they sign up for Social Security retirement benefits, and that's a certified copy of their birth certificate to prove they're legally old enough to qualify for benefits. However, SSA is experimenting with procedures, and you may soon learn that you don't even need to present a birth certificate. That's partly because the agency may already have such documentation on file. If you presented the agency with a birth certificate when you applied for your original Social Security number and card, they may not need another copy when you sign up for retirement benefits.

Q: My Social Security checks seem to come on a different day each month. This makes it very hard to plan my finances. Why can't they send Social Security checks on time each month? I know my mother always got her widow's check on the third of each month.

A. All Social Security checks used to be paid on the third of each month. But sending out 50 million government checks all on one day was too much of a burden for both the Social Security Administration and the post office. (This was before the advent of direct deposit. So, many years ago, they decided to stagger the delivery of Social Security checks. They're now sent out (or more likely, electronically transferred to banks) on either the second, third or fourth Wednesday of each month, depending on a person's day of birth.

As a general rule, if you were born on the first through the 10th day of the month, you get your checks on the second Wednesday. If you were born on the 11th through the 20th day of the month, it's the third Wednesday. If you were born on the 21st through the 31st day of the month, it's the fourth Wednesday.

So whichever Wednesday is your delivery day, it'll obviously change from one month to the next. Looking at my calendar, for example, I see that the second Wednesday of December 2011 will be the 9th, while the second Wednesday of January 2012 will be the 11th. But the point is this: Your check will be delivered on the same Wednesday of every month.

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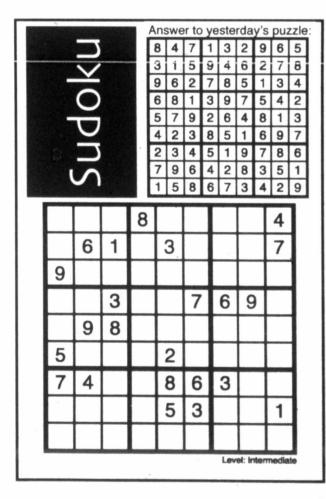
Q: I am a Canadian citizen who has been living and working in the United States for 20 years. I've paid into Social Security all these years. I'm about to retire and plan to move back to Victoria, British Columbia. Will I get my Social Security checks there?

A: Yes, you will. The United States has Social Security treaty agreements with about 25 countries around the world, and Canada is one of those countries. You can receive American Social Security benefits while living in Canada, just as a Canadian citizen can receive Canadian Social Security benefits while living in the United States.

If you have a Social Security question, Tom Margenau has the answer. Contact him at thomas.margenau@comcast.net.



that's a very positive thing for wine quality," Hellman said. Newsome said the quality of the grapes won't be forgotten soon.



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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.

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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2 So-so; 1-Difficult

#### **CARIES (March 21-April 19)**

 $\Rightarrow \star \star \star$  Use some of that authority that you wield so well. Often, others play into tive, recognize that it is in your power to your empathy or spontaneity. In fact, you will need to distance yourself some from an associate or friend if you want this per- ing, especially if you let go of a tendency son to receive your message. Tonight: Dot to project your stuff onto his or her words. your i's and cross your t's.

### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

\*\*\*\* You work directly with others and seek out solutions that they might ous. Now you have time to stop and renot be able to grasp. You certainly are a powerhouse. Consider your options more fully involving a key associate or a potentill partner. Are you ready to defer more? Tonight: A discussion evolves over dinner. GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

\*\*\* You might want to be more aware of the impact someone has on your figances. This person could be a roommate, a partner, a family member or Uncle Sim. Use wisdom when deciding whether make a decision. In this manner, you'll to shake up the status quo. Tonight: Build better understanding with a friend.

#### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ Listen to what someone expects from you. On some level, you might feel disheartened. You try very hard. Let time. What you see going on could reveal it go; this person has a lot of other issues at the moment. Tonight: Go off and enjoy yourself.

### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

\*\*\*\* Accomplish as much as possible today. The remainder of the week could take on quite a social tone. You actually might need to say "no" to some invitations right now. Know that you will out this person's view and form your own. have some clarity soon. Tonight: As late as possible.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

what a new friend or a loved one is try-This year presents great financial poten- ing to share. You just might not be ready open up to a new trend and possibilities even a little risk. Tonight: A favorite pas-

\*\*\*\* You might not understand

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

★★★. Are you creating more tension clear you need to focus on a domestic or investment issue. Do you really want to? Absolutely not. Pull back; look at the long term. Don't be difficult with a key person. Tonight: At home.

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

\*\*\*\* If you feel slightly negachange that attitude. How you feel in the company of a key person could be chang-Tonight: Visit over a drink and munchies. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

\*\*\* Curb a tendency to be too serithink a goal. You could feel a bit out of sorts if the cards don't tumble as you think they should. Re-evaluate a situation with open eyes. Know what is wrong. Tonight: Where your friends are.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Rethink a goal more openly. Your energy points to taking the lead with maturity rather than acting like an authority. Gather different opinions before you gain the commitment and support of others in coordinating a project. Tonight: Treat another person to dinner.

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

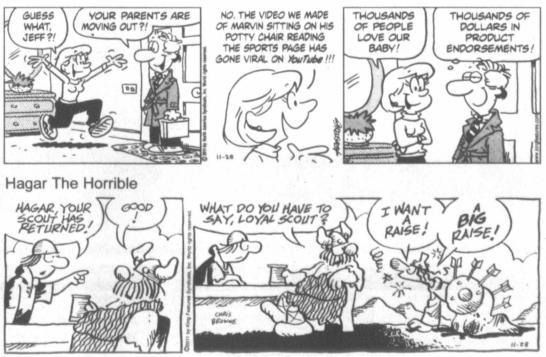
★★★ Lie back and observe in the daymuch more than what people are saying. With enhanced knowledge, you can reevaluate a decision with greater insight. Tonight: Nap, then decide.

#### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

 $\star$   $\star$   $\star$  Zero in on what you want. You often defer to or lean too much on another person. The time has come to clear A meeting proves to be a great vehicle for expressing your thoughts. Tonight: A meeting could go into dinner.



#### Marvin



#### Peanuts

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### Court won't block district map

AUSTIN (AP) — A federal court refused late Friday to block a congressional redistricting map it drew up for Texas, rejecting a request from the state's attorney general just hours after the Republican accused the court of "undermining the democratic process.

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott had asked the San Antonio-based court to stay the implementation of its interim map, which the court drafted when minority groups challenged the original plan passed by the Republican-dominated state Legislature.

The court-drawn map would ensure minorities made up the majority in three additional Texas congressional districts. If the 2012 elections were held under the court's map, Democrats would have an advantage as they try to win back the U.S. House

Abbott said he would appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court. The court-ordered map will remain in place until the legal fights



are resolved.

The court drew the maps after minority groups filed a lawsuit, claiming a redistricting plan devised by Republican lawmakers didn't reflect growth in the state's Hispanic and black populations.

In a court filing earlier Friday, Abbott accused the court of overstepping its author-

"A court's job is to apply the law, not to make policy," he wrote. "A federal court lacks constitutional authority to interfere with the expressed will of the state Legislature unless it is compelled to remedy a specific, identifiable violation of law.'

Abbott argued that the Legislature's map "incorporate constituents' concerns about communities of interest and proper representation." He said the court's departure from that map "not only undermines the democratic process, it ignores the voice of the citizenry.

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

Dear Abby...

ance and I plan to be married level he already knows that I'm afraid that when my parin the coming year. It will be and may be doing it because ents and people in my small the second marriage for both he feels guilty about the di- town find out about his past, of us. My intended has an "adult" son I'll call "Jeff," who graduated from college last year and makes good money. His father has helped him out by paying his tuition, car loan, rent, a generous alloans that have never been should be a clear under- first date. Please advise. repaid.

Jeff comes up short almost every month because he blows his money on vacations, clothing, electronic gadgets, etc., so he needs resorts to name-calling and ing money from our accounts, emotional blackmail.

I earn a good living and have a tidy nest egg, and I'm someone. It was several However, whether it's a concerned that Jeff's irre- months before I agreed to a sponsibility and his father's date. He's honest, fun, goodenabling will put a comfortable retirement for us in jeop- helps my family when he can. he mentioned he'd had the ardy. I feel like this is my My problem is on our first same problem as your exbusiness, too - but I don't date he told me he'd been a husband. want to come between father drug user and had spent time and son. What's your advice? THRIFTY IN WYO-MING

DEAR Your concerns are legitimate. Your fiance is doing his past and say, "It's no big in the future. But I see no

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Before marrying your fiance, discuss this with an , an issue in my life again. attorney to be sure your standing that any monies you earn will not benefit ER SHOE TO DROP his son, who appears to be a bottomless pit.

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> After our divorce I met looking, hardworking and in prison. He said that was in stay clean. Others have the past. He got counseling, been known to backslide. loves his new life and would If you love this man and he THRIFTY: not break the law again.

DEAR ABBY: My fi- sible behavior. But on some alludes to wanting to propose. they'll be shocked and I'll be shunned. I can't believe this is

Is it OK to date an ex-drug interests will be protected. addict? Do some people beat **The assets you accumulated** the odds and stay clean? I'm before the marriage should scared that maybe I should lowance and various other be kept separate, and there have run away after that WAITING FOR THE OTH-

DEAR WAITING: What did this man go to prison for? Was he selling drugs to support his habit? Stealing? Did he commit a violent crime?

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# Sports

# Harvesters take two of three for second place finish

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In Saturday's Lions Club Tournament second round game against the El Paso Parkland Matadors, the Pampa Harvesters found themselves in a similar situation to the season opener, trailing by double digits in the third quarter.

Pampa picked up its aggression and pulled out a 72-69 overtime victory on its way to a second place finish.

The Harvesters (4-1) beat the Amarillo San Jacinto Patriots 54-46 on Friday and lost to the Amarillo Tascosa Rebels 68-35 in Saturday's championship. Pampa advanced to the championship for the third time in the last four tournaments, winning in 2008.

Senior Cole Engle said it was a pretty good tournament.

'We played all right but we could have played better," Engle said. "We are about getting to championship games and that's what we did."

El Paso Parkland took advantage of seven first guarter Pampa turnovers to build a 10-3 lead. Senior Latigo Collins scored the only points for the Harvesters on a field goal and three free throws. The Matadors led 10-5 after the first.

The Harvesters struggled to make the shots it got in the first half, only converting seven of 21. Pampa got within three as junior Taylor Kennedy hit his second three-pointer. Parkland closed the half with a 10-7 run to lead 27-21 at halftime. Junior Derrek Pollard said the team

wasn't aggressive enough on offense. "We had a lecture at halftime that we don't get out-hustled on our court," Pollard said. "They don't get loose balls

with no one on the ground. We kicked it in a different gear and played like we belong in the championship. The Matadors looked like they were

going to run away with the game in the third quarter. Daniel Corral scored a jumper and made it a three-point play. Jordan Zamudio hit a three to put Parkland up 35-23. The Matadors led by as many as 14.

Senior forward Reid Miller started a rally with a three. Pampa outscored Parkland 13-4 the rest of quarter. Miller hit two threes and scored eight points in the quarter. The senior said that's his role. "I felt like we needed a spark in that

game," Miller said. "It was going to start on defense. When you play defense and rebound, you are going to hit a couple shots. That's going to get things going."

Pollard reached double digits with 10 and 11 points respectively. Pollard led the team in rebounds with 11. Zamudio led the Matadors in scoring with 22 and in rebounds with seven.

Head coach Dustin Miller said it was a good win for his team.

"That was a good win for a 3A school like us to beat a 4A Parkland like we did," Miller said. "We were down 14 and came back late again."

In the championship, Pampa led 2-0 after a basket by Pollard. After Jim Ausbie gave Tascosa its first lead, junior Tyler Powell regained the lead for the Harvesters with a short jumper. The Rebels took control of the game from that point. Pampa missed five shots and turned the ball over four times allowing Tascosa to build a 10-4 lead. The Rebels led 12-6 after the first.

In the first half, Tascosa's size gave Pampa problems on both sides of the ball. Offensively, the Harvesters struggled to get the ball inside and when they did, they couldn't convert. Defensively, Pampa struggled to rebound the ball giving Tascosa several second chance opportunities.

Pollard, who is 6'5" said the team struggled with the Rebels' height.

"I'm usually always the tallest kid," Pollard said. "They have two kids taller than me. It gave us a hard time.

The Rebels outscored the Harvesters 13-3 to start the second quarter. Pampa missed its first four shots and turned the ball over three times. The Harvesters didn't get closer than 14 and trailed 39-21 at halftime.

Tascosa made sure there wasn't a second half comeback, outscoring the Harvesters 20-10 in the third to lead 59-31 after three. Dustin said Pampa used its energy to beat Parkland.

"You can't run out of gas against a team with the caliber of Tascosa," Miller said. "They are stacked and really good this year. We tried as hard as we could."

Collins led Pampa in scoring with 18. Powell followed with seven. Ausbie led the Rebels with 18 points. Lamar Britton contributed 14.

Collins and Miller earned spots on the All-Tournament team. Lawton's Cason Troutman and Tascosa's Britton and Ausbie rounded out the team. Ausbie was named tournament MVP and earned a \$500 dollar scholarship.

Lawton finished third with victories over Borger (62-36) and El Paso Parkland (54-53) in the third place game Tascosa defeated Lawton 62-57 to advance to the title game. Dumas finished fifth, beating Borger (58-52) and Caprock (39-38). Dumas' only loss was 68-48 to Tascosa in the first round.

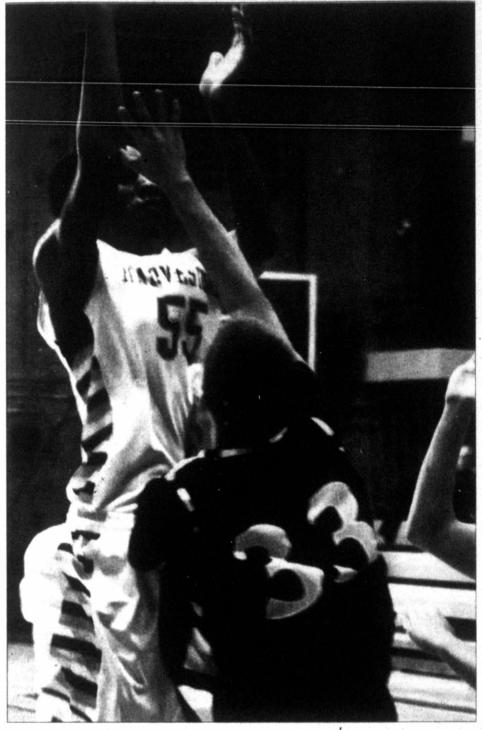


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Junior Derrek Pollard shoots a jumper with El Paso Parkland's Victor Flores contesting Saturday. The Harvesters won 72-69 in overtime, overcoming a double digit defict the second time this season.



Pollard cut the Matadors' lead to one, hitting two second chance baskets. Parkland built its lead back up to eight with Jareek Wright and Zamudio hitting threes. Again, Pampa rallied with Collins hitting an and one and Engle scored on a steal to cut the lead to two.

The Matadors increased its lead to 59-54. Pampa had one more rally. After a pair of free throws by Collins, junior Tv Hutto nailed a three with less than ten seconds left in the game. Parkland's last second shot failed to force overtime.

El Paso Parkland grabbed the lead quickly with a three by Zamudio. Engle responded with a three to tie the game at 62. Collins put Pampa up for good with a jumper.

Engle, who was held to four free throws in three quarters, scored 10 in the fourth and overtime. Engle said he made better decisions with his shots.

"I waited until I got an open shot instead of pulling up with someone in my face," Engle said.

Collins led the Harvesters in scoring with 28. Along with Engle, Reid and

Friday against Amarillo San Jacinto, Pampa led the whole game, jumping out to a 6-0 lead. Engle, Reid and Pollard led the Harvesters' attack with five, five and four points respectively. Pampa led 14-5 after the first.

The Patriots didn't get closer than five in the first half. Both teams played even in the second quarter with Pampa leading 25-15 at halftime. The Harvesters didn't allow the Patriots to rally in the third as Pampa led by at least 12. Pampa held a 42-27 lead in the fourth. Pampa led by as many as 17 in the final quarter. San Jacinto made a seven-point run at the end of the game but Pampa was more concerned with running clock.

Dustin said his team wasn't able to pull away but was glad it won.

"We gave up too many second chance shots." Miller said. "We're getting closer but we aren't quite there yet.'

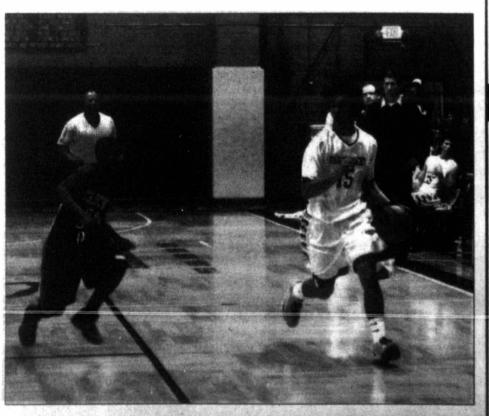


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