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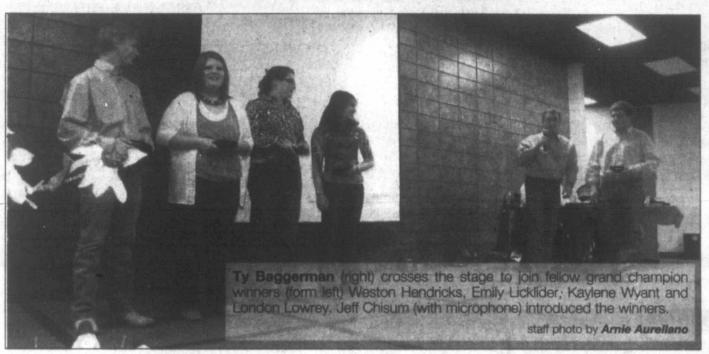
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A BIG FINISH



Gray County turns out for junior livestock sale

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Jeff Chisum, president of the Top O' Texas Livestock Association and master of ceremonies for Monday evening's Gray County Livestock sale, had to apologize to the crowd at the M.K. Brown Civic Center's Heritage Room.

The sale was so packed, evidently, that the event was starting to run out of

Still, it was an apology that Chisum was happy to deliver, given the implication of the food supply's condition to the state of Gray County's livestock programs. Couple that with the fact that, as Charla Shults of the livestock association reported, extra tables had to be set up so all the exhibitors and buyers could sit, and it was plain to see that the Gray County Junior Livestock Show and Sale are as healthy as ever.

"You kind of wonder with the economy and everything, so it's good to see the citizens of Gray County come out and support the youth," Chisum said. "It's a really good turnout, and I'm really excited to see everyone able to come tonight."

The sale came two days after the junior livestock show at the Clyde Carruth Pavilion at Recreation Park, with show grand champions Emily Licklider (barrows), Weston Hendricks (goats), Kaylene Wyant (lambs), Ty Baggerman (heifers) and London Lowrey (steers) receiving their awards. Also receiving accolades for special honors were high school seniors Baggerman (for citizenship) and Laura Kirkland (sportsmanship).

The big turnout to celebrate the kids' accomplishments this year was a great sight to Chisum.

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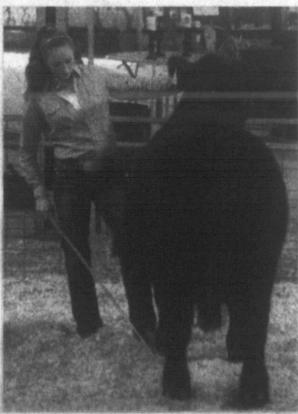
Jeff Chisum, president of the Top O' Texas Livestock Association, emceed the event.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHTS



photos courtesy of Charla Shults

TOP: Pampa High School senior FFA member Sierra Parker parades her barrow for the judges. RIGHT: Pampa High School senior FFA member Elizabeth Terry enters the show ring with American Crossbreed Steer. Parker, Terry and other local 4H and FFA exhibitors will participated in the Gray County Livestock Sale Monday night at M.K. Brown Auditorium.



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Upgrades in store for local shelter

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Faustina Curry, president of the Pampa Animal Welfare Society, praised the city for some developments regarding the city's current animal shelter and proposed new facility in an email on Sunday.

"You might remember that the city sent out RFQs (invitations for bids) for firms possibly ested in a new animal shelter," Curry said. "Last week, they got six

responses, which

Curry

was considered quite good." Three firms were selected for interviews held yesterday, Curry said. One will be selected to draw up plans to be presented for City Commission approval. The city will then ask Pampa voters to approve a tax rate to include building the new shelter.

"Sometime in March we will start working on a campaign to make sure the public is aware of how desperately a new, clean, safe shelter is needed and work to get this passed," Curry said.

The city's current shelter is also receiving some much-needed upgrades, according to Curry, with a small portable building from the Pampa Independent School District being added to the shelter. The building will be converted into a pair of offices and an information area for adoptions and reclamations and also contains a bathroom and hookups for a washer and dryer. It will be moved into place within the next couple of weeks, with some more adjustments needed to make it suitable for its new function, Curry said.

"For those (PAWS volunteers) who want to help with animal follow-ups, spay/neuter work and just general adoption paperwork, it will be a place to do just that," Curry said.

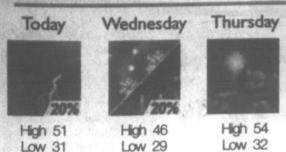
The city has also received material to insulate the metal lean-to shed housing sick animals at the shelter. The upgrade to the lean-to is expected to be finished sometime in the next week.

The shipment of materials comes as especially good news to PAWS, which has recently been dealing with many sick and injured animals coming into the shelter. Using funds from the David and Nona Payne Foundation that were budgeted exclusively for animal medical issues, the group has been busy tending to many ailing prospective pets, including all within the last week - a dog hit by a car, a puppy with a broken leg, another with a broken toe, two dogs stricken with pneumonia, a cat with a hurt eye and another that had been shot.

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PAMPA FORECAST

Low 31



Today: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 51. Wind chill values between 23 and 33 early. South wind 10 to 15 mph becoming east northeast. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.

Tonight: Rain likely before midnight, then a chance of rain and snow between midnight and 2 a.m., then a chance of snow after 2 a.m.. Cloudy, with a low around 31. Wind chill values between 23 and 28. Northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent.

Wednesday: A slight chance of snow before 10 a.m., then a slight chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 46. North northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 29. North wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 54. North northwest wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 32. Southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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Breed Champion: London Lowery, Gray 4-H Angus Reserve Breed Champion: Brady Roye

Breed Champion: Laura Kirkland, Gray 4-H

Breed Champion: John Baggerman, Gray 4-H Reserve Breed Champion: Emily Terry, Pampa FFA

Reserve Breed Champion: John Baggerman, Gray 4-H

Reserve Breed Champion: Laura Kirkland, Gray 4-H

Obituaries

Ethel Mae Thurmond Crawford, 95

SKELLYTOWN—Ethel Mae Thurmond Crawford. 95, died Saturday, January 21, 2012 in Clarendon. Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, January 26, 2012, at the First Baptist Church in Skellytown with Rev. Fines Marchman, pastor, officiating. Burial will be at Fairview

Cemetery in Pampa under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Di- Crawford rectors of Pampa.

Mrs. Crawford was born on May 10, 1916, in Joplin, Mo. and attended Pampa High School. She married Aulcie Paul Thurmond on October 25, 1935 in Lefors. He preceded her in death on November 5, 1968. She then married E.E. Crawford in 1972. Mrs. Crawford was a member of the First Baptist Church in Skellytown since 1958. She was a very loving, wife, mother, and grandmother. She was a member and past Worthy Matron of Pampa Chapter #65, Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include two sons, Roy Thurmond and wife Irene of Clarendon and Jim Thurmond and wife Pam of Sapulpa, Okla.; two grandsons, Bryan Paul Thurmond and wife Karren of Midland and Paul Thurmond of Sapulpa, Okla.; two granddaughters, Jenny Knocke and

husband Nick of Tulsa, Okla. and Angie Jackson and husband Brian of Germany; two great-granddaughters and three great-grandsons. She was also preceded in death by her second husband, E.E. Crawford; by her parents, Ernest and Iva Burns; and by a brother, Ray Fitch.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church Youth Fund, 400 Lindberg, Skellytown, TX 79080. Sign the online register book at www.carmichael-

Vicki Lynn Keely, 63

whatley.com.

Vicki Lynn Keely, 63, diedSunday, January 22, 2012, in Pampa.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, January 25, 2012, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel with Paul Nachtigall, pastor of Highland Baptist Church, officiating. Cremation and arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Vicki was born December 13, 1948, in Pampa where she had been lifelong resident. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1967. She received her LVN from Amarillo College. Vicki was a LVN at Pampa Regional Medical Center in the Golden Phoenix. She was a Catho-

Survivors include a son, George Keely of the home; a stepdaughter, Randi Keely of Midland; a brother, Ed Johnson of Ft. Worth. Vicki was preceded in death by her parents, Ed and Janice Johnson.

Sign the online register at www.carmichael-whatley.

Sale

"It's great. It's a great testament to what this part of the country thinks is important. It's a real encouragement to me personally because all you ever hear is the bad news. To see good news like this going on is very encouraging.

The values that the kids learn from preparing the animals for the show and sale, Chisum said, was an even bigger bonus.

"It teaches the kids responsibility," Chisum said. "It gives them a job to do every day, a lot of projects ongoing. It just teaches kids saving, cash management, how to set a budget and stay on budget, and how to make financial sense.

Neil Fulton, who has helped hawk bids during the livestock auction for over 50 years, agreed.
"(The kids) learn so much," Fulton. "(Working with

their livestock projects) teaches them responsibility. It teaches them how to handle their money. That's the two things that our youth have a hard time with.

With this, they know've got to be there every night They know they've got to feed every morning, furnish warm water. They've got to work. They know they've got to sell it and try to make a profit. They al don't... but that's just part of the game, whether you do or don't. I really think it's just a super program for the FFA and 4-H kids. There's nothing any better."

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Auctioneer Dale West and fellow bid hawker Michael Craig joined Fulton in working the livestock

Like Chisum, Fulton praised the community for turning out for the event and added that he saw the high attendance as a sign that Pampa is turning the corner during such uncertain economic times.

said. "Pampa is loosening up. Pampa is starting to grow. Pampa is starting to roll and we're going to roll. There's no doubt about it in my mind.'

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1 Weston Hendricks	Gray 4-H	82	Place Name	Organization	Animal Wt.			
2 Austin Hendricks	Gray 4-H	90	1 Korbin Payne	Gray 4-H	1273			
Grand Champion: Weston	Hendricks, Gray 4	-H	2 Elizabeth Terry	Pampa FFA	1400			
Reserve Grand Champion:	Austin Hendricks.	, Gray 4-H	3 Ty Baggerman	Gray 4-H	1221			
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Second place showmanship	p: Weston Hendric	ks	Reserve Breed Champion: Elizabeth Terry, Pampa FFA					
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 Maggie Hernandez 	Gray 4-H	129	2 Ty Baggerman	Gray 4-H	1105			
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Medium Wool Class 3			Limousin Reserve Breed	Champion: Ty Bag	german, Gray			
Place Name	Organization	Animal Wt.	4-H					
 Kaylene Wyant 	Pampa FFA ·	123	Shorthorn Class 8					
2 Callen Wyant	Pampa FFA	130	Place Name	Organization	Animal Wt.			
3 Maggie Hernandez	Gray 4-H	127	 Elizabeth Terry 	Pampa FFA	1020			
Medium Wool Class 4			Breed Champion: Elizabe	th Terry, Pampa Fl	FA			
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 Kaylene Wyant 	Pampa FFA	143.	Place Name	Organization	Animal Wt.			
2 Callen Wyant	Pampa FFA	139	1 Ty Baggerman	Gray 4-H	1572			
3 Kaylene Wyant	Pampa FFA	152	2 Cody Jacoby	Gray 4-H	1234			
Medium Wool Class 5			Simmental Breed Champi	ion: Ty Baggermar	, Gray 4-H			
Place Name	Organization	Animal Wt.	Simmental Reserve Breed	d Champion: Cody	Jacoby, Gray			
 Elizabeth Terry 	Pampa FFA	170	4-H					
2 Elizabeth Terry	Pampa FFA	155	Grand Champion: London	Lowery, Gray 4-1	H			
3 Janell Parks	Pampa FFA	160	Reserve Grand Champion					
4 Tryston Plunk	Lefors FFA	172	Jr. Showmanship First: Lo					
Medium Wool Breed Char	mpion: Kaylene W	Vyant, Pampa	Jr. Showmanship Second: Rilee Didway, Gray 4-H					
FFA			Sr. Showmanship First: Ty Baggerman, Gray 4-H					
Medium Wool Grand Char	mpion: Kaylene W	Vyant, Pampa	Sr. Showmanship Second					
FFA			HEIFERS		,			
Medium Wool Reserve Bro	eed Champion: Eli	izabeth Terry,	English Class 1					
Pampa FFA			Place Name	Organization	Animal Wt.			
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Pampa FFA	,	,,	2 Ty Baggerman	Gray 4-H				
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Jr. Second Showmanship: 1			Reserve Grand Champion					
Sr. First Showmanship: Ka				,	, , , ,			
Sr. Second Showmanship:	Elizabeth Terry, Pr	ampa FFA	BARROWS					
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Gray 4-H

BARROWS		
Berk Class 1		
Place Name	Organization	Animal Wt
1 Joseph Slatten	Pampa FFA	196
2 Reece Parker	Pampa FFA	189
3 Jayden Lambert	Gray 4-H	167
Berk Class 2		
Place Name	Organization	Animal Wt
 Oscar Jimenez 	Gray 4-H	212
2 Cash Manhart	Pampa FFA	234
3 Janell Parks	Pampa FFA	208
Berk Breed Champion: (Oscar Jimenez, Gray	4-H
Berk Reserve Breed Char	mpion: Cash Manha	rt, Pampa FF
Chester Class 3	그는 사이지를 하는	
Place Name	Organization	Animal Wt
1 Colten Ensey	Pampa FFA	186
2 Emma Lambert	Gray 4-H	160
3 Sierra Parker	Pampa FFA	171
Chester Class 4		
Place Name	Organization	Animal Wt
1 Molly Manhart	Pampa FFA	272
2 Clay Ray	Pampa FFA	254
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Chester Reserve Breed	Champion: Colten	Ensey, Pamp
FFA		
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Jeremiah Hawn

J'Cee Holmes

Cason Troxell

Duroc Class 6

1	Name	Organization	Animal W
-	Weston Hendricks Gr	*	182
2	Dalton Riggs	Gray 4-H	186
	Arianna Anguiano Class 7	Pampa FFA	197
	Name	Organization	Animal W
1	Jacey Baten	Gray 4-H	207
2	Cash Manhart	Pampa FFA	269
3	Clay Baten	Gray 4-H	235
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Duroc	Reserve Breed Char	mpion: Cash Ma	nhart, Pamp
FFA	,		
	Class 8		
	Name	Organization	Animal W
1	Alyson Chisum	Gray 4-H	134
2	J'Cee Holmes	Gray 4-H	154
3	Amber Preston	Gray 4-H	153
4	Kyler Payne	Gray 4-H	107
	Daneil Winton	Pampa FFA	133
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1	Name George Patterson	Organization Pampa FFA	Animal W
2		Pampa FFA	169
3	Macy Cochran Austin Hendricks	Gray 4-H	167
4	Heather Eddleman	Gray 4-H	158
	Kenlee Lambert	Gray 4-H Gray 4-H	165
	Class 10	Gray 4-H	167
	Name	Organization	Animal W
1	J'Cee Holmes	Organization	Animal W
2	Jacey Baten	Gray 4-H	186
3	Blayne Troxell	Gray 4-H Pampa FFA	180
4	Jeremiah Hawn		182
5	Nikalyn McGinty	Gray 4-H	174
6	Paden Watson	Gray 4-H	182
7	Andrew Morris	Pampa FFA Lefors FFA	176
	Class 11	Leiois LLA	183
	Name	Organization	Animal W
1	Kirsten Epperson	Pampa FFA	Animal W 194
2	Kyler Ray	Pampa FFA	209
3	Emily Terry	Pampa FFA	212
4	Duncan Youree	Gray 4-H	190
5	Jessica Parker	Pampa FFA	203
6	Madison Davis	Gray 4-H	200
	Class 12	July 4-11	200
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Stanford jury selection begins

HOUSTON (AP) - More than 21/2 years after being indicted for allegedly bilking investors out of \$7 billion in a massive Ponzi scheme, jailed Texas financier R. Allen Stanford is set to go to trial.

Jury selection in Stanford's trial began Monday in Houston federal court.

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Testimony is expected to last at least a month. Stanford's attorneys say they expect the financier will testify. Stanford's trial was delayed while he spent more

than eight months last year under treatment in a North Carolina federal prison hospital after he was declared incompetent due to an anti-anxiety drug addiction developed while jailed in Houston.

Last month, a judge ruled Stanford was competent. Stanford's attorneys had sought to delay the trial, claiming the financier remains incompetent and they needed more time to prepare.

Halliburton profit rides oil boom

NEW YORK (AP) - Halliburton's net income spiked 50 percent in the final three months of 2011 as one of the world's biggest oilfield services companies shifted its focus from natural gas to oil, with a barrel of crude again trading near the triple digit mark yet again.

Energy companies are capitalizing on new technology to reach crude that was once prohibitively expensive to pump, especially in the United States, and Halliburton has benefited immensely.

The Houston company posted earnings of \$906 million, or 98 cents per share, for the fourth quarter. That compares with \$605 million, or 66 cents per share, for the same part of 2010.

Excluding a \$15 million charge for an "environmental-related matter," Halliburton Co. earned \$1 per share in the quarter. Revenue increased 36.9 percent to \$7.06

The boom in shale drilling across regions of North America boosted Halliburton's 2011 earnings to \$2.84 billion, or \$3.08 per share, compared with \$1.84 billion, or \$2.02 per share, in 2010. Annual revenue increased 38.1 percent to \$24.8 billion.

Houston airport upgraded

HOUSTON (AP) - Ground has been broken on a \$160 million south concourse project at Houston's George Bush Intercontinental Airport.

Mayor Annise Parker was on hand Monday in support of the effort involving the Houston Airport System and United Continental Holdings Inc.

The 225,000 square foot facility, expected to be completed in 2013, will mean a Terminal B south concourse for regional jet operations. The complex will replace current smaller flight stations.

Organizers say the sprawling new concourse will also feature 28-foot-high floor-to-ceiling glass windows.

Plans for future phases of the \$1 billion redevelopment project include redevelopment of the central Terminal B lobby and baggage claim areas, a new internationalcapable north concourse, plus a new Terminal B Federal Inspections Services facility.

Chesapeake to cut production

NEW YORK (AP) - Faced with decade-low natural gas prices that have made some drilling operations unprofitable, Chesapeake Energy Corp. says it will drastically cut drilling and production of the fuel in the U.S.

Chesapeake, the nation's second largest natural gas producer, said Monday that it plans to cut production 8 percent. That means the company would produce the same or slightly less natural gas in 2012 than it did in 2011. Chesapeake produces about 9 percent of the nation's natural gas.

That's a change from the dramatic increase in domestic output seen in recent years. Chesapeake and other drillers have learned to tap enormous reserves of natural gas trapped in shale formations under several states using a controversial drilling method known as hydraulic fracturing combined with horizontal drilling.

Extreme weather for two winters and two summers kept natural gas prices high by boosting demand for home heating and power generation. But this season's mild winter weather especially in the Northeast and Upper Midwest, has crimped demand and led to a glut.

Apache to buy Cordillera

HOUSTON (AP) - Oil and gas producer Apache Corp. is buying privately-held Cordillera Energy Partners III LLC in a cash-and-stock deal valued at \$2.85 billion.

The deal gives Apache access to land with potential oil and gas fields in Oklahoma and Texas. Apache also gets oil wells that are already producing in the region.

The land will give Apache opportunities to drill new wells in underground shale rock that's estimated to contain 71.5 million barrels of oil equivalent per day. Existing wells already produce 18,000 barrels of oil equivalent per day.

The move underscores Apache's shift in focus to landbased drilling in North America.

The deal is expected to close in the second quarter.

Apache, which is based in Houston, has operations in the U.S., Canada, Egypt, the North Sea, Australia and Argentina.

AG asked about 48-hour rule

AUSTIN (AP) - The Texas attorney general's office has been asked to clarify whether health professionals dealing with adults who say they were abused as children must report the cases.

The Austin American-Statesman reported Sunday that mental health providers for years have questioned whether child abuse reporting laws apply to adult patients dur-

The Texas State Board of Examiners of Psychologists on Dec. 11 asked for the review. Chairman Tim Branaman says ethical considerations have been raised, along with the potential negative effects for adult victims.

The 1995 law requires certain professionals, such as doctors, teachers and clergy, to report suspected child abuse within 48 hours of a disclosure.

Attorney General Greg Abbott's office has six months to issue an opinion. An Abbott spokesman declined comment Monday.

Secret to Success: Put Your Mind Over Money

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Managing your finances successfully is just a question of "mind over money." All the knowledge in the world won't help you it isn't the become successful if you lack knowledge - and self-discipline.

You've all heard the ordinary instructions about investing successfully. Think rationally. Don't disciplined. Well, it's easier said than done. Maybe that's why most people kick themselves for sell- your decision-making. ing at the bottom and rue top of the market. Or why the post-holiday hangover of credit-card bills makes thinking that last week of

You've heard the rules basic money mistakes to overcome. But first, there's a new book out with a fascinating approach to dealing with the emotions of money management.

Denise Shull, author of 'Market Mind Games," is an internationally recognized pioneer in the new psychology of risk and uncertainty. She's the founder of ReThink Group Inc., a New York-based consulting firm that helps increase performance by using the science called neuro-economics, an inter- to do things differently this esting approach to behavioral economics.

Basically, what Shull advises is not that you try to beat down all your emotions so they don't impact your investment performance. She says that's not only impossible, but counterproductive. Every advises that you recognize your bank

the impact of those emotions — the meaning they are imparting to your thinking. After all,

emotion that needs to be controlled, it is the actions you take that need to be directed.

deal with your emotions in order to gain the advanbehave emotionally. Be tage — and trade or invest successfully. The feelings themselves become "data" to be incorporated into "Market Mind Games"

the day they bought at the reads more like a mystery your year-end statements. romance novel than a psychological dissertation. It is must-reading for anyone you wonder what you were who intends to do more than just invest a regular amount monthly into a diversified 40l(k) portfolio. before - and later in this That's not to say that a column, I'll give you three regular dollar investment is a bad idea. In fact, for most people, who have neither the time nor the self-discipline to read this book, a long-term monthly investment plan is truly a better solution.

Then again, you might want to read this book just for the knowledge of how your emotions rule your brain — and to learn how to recognize the urge to stocks, in a moment of

Now, if you're looking year, here are the three big money mistakes you probably made last year — and how to make sure you don't in your IRA or 401(k). make them again this year!

Mistake No. 1: Closing our eyes

bad news, and these days, decision includes an emo- you're likely to find bad tion. So instead, Shull news when you open

The Savage on money

credit card will, or your 40l(k) or IRA statements. There are some people who simply toss their stock mar-Schull says you need ket investment envelopes managing your money and to feel, acknowledge and in the drawer and never open them!

But things will never get better if you don't open your eyes, take a close look at the details, and then get the big picture. This is the it, because you're getting

Make lists: what you own (your investments), what you owe (your bills) and your goals. Open your eyes to face reality. Like it or not, this is YOU, and you need to know where you stand in order to change things. And if you can't figure out how to do that on your own, seek help.

Which brings us to the second mistake.

Mistake No. 2: Being stubborn

If you've "always done it this way" and it's still working, that's fine. But if you don't like your current financial situation, you have to CHANGE! Change dump your plan, and your is difficult for everyone some more than others. We're talking about being open to change everything from how you pay your carry in your wallet, even to Savage Truth. changing the mutual funds

Ask yourself why you're doing things this way and then ask around or do some online research to see No one wants to hear if there is a better way of doing things. Values and principles don't change, but time and technology statement, change techniques and

opportunities. You have to be open to change as well. Especially if you want different results.

Mistake No. 3: Making **Emotional Decisions**

There are two emotions that confront you whenever you make financial decisions: FEAR and GREED. (Greed may be better defined as the "fear of missing out.") Think about it. You never deal with those emotions when you're deciding what movie to see or what dress to buy. But money decisions bring out these two right time of year to do motivators, and they often override common sense.

We all know how dangerous greed is. It makes you think home prices or stock prices will rise forever. But fear can be equally dangerous, because it paralyzes you, and can keep you from taking appropriate risk. The trick is to know when fear is a good risk-management signal and when it is something else. Making that decision requires you to stop before acting and to think rationally about the issue.

You can't stop these emotions from appearing, but you can recognize them and resolve never to act out of panic, without thinking through the consequences of each financial decision.

Unless you're fectly happy with last year's results, do at least one thing differently this year. At least you won't bills, what credit cards you be bored! And that's The

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Court asked to clear voter ID law

Attorney General Greg Abbott asked a federal court on Monday to clear the way for the state's Voter ID law as the state waits to hear from the Department of Justice.

Abbot said the Obama administration was hostile to laws like the one passed last year in Texas, which requires voters to show an approved photo identification card in order to vote. Texas is one of 16 states where all changes to voting laws must be cleared by the Justice Department the district court Washington, D.C. before they can go into effect.

Last year, Justice Department lawyers asked the state for additional information about how the law would be enforced and who it would affect, delaying making a decision on whether to clear it. The department has still not made an official determination and has another

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Abbott is asking the court to go ahead and clear the law because

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AUSTIN (AP) - Texas six weeks before it must, similar measures exist in other states, and he says the Obama administration is taking too long to decide whether to clear it. The ID cont. on page 6A

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Today in History

Today is Tuesday, Jan. 24, the 24th day of 2012. There are 342 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Jan. 24, 1942, the Roberts Commission,

which had looked into America's lack of preparedness for Imperial Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor, publicly released its report placing much of the blame on Rear Adm. Husband E. Kimmel and Lt. Gen. Walter C. Short, the Navy and Army commanders.

On this date:

In 1848, James W. Marshall discovered a gold nugget at Sutter's Mill in northern California, a discovery that led to the gold rush of '49.

In 1908, the Boy Scouts movement began in England under the aegis of Robert Baden-Powell. In 1943, President Franklin D. Roosevelt and British Prime Minister Winston Churchill concluded a wartime conference in Casablanca, Morocco.

In 1961, a U.S. Air Force B-52 crashed near Goldsboro, N.C., dropping its payload of two nuclear bombs, neither of which went off; three crew members were killed.

In 1965, Winston Churchill died in London at age 90.

In 1978, a nuclear-powered Soviet satellite, Cosmos 954, plunged through Earth's atmosphere and disintegrated, scattering radioactive debris over parts of northern Canada.

In 1987, gunmen in Lebanon kidnapped educators Alann Steen, Jesse Turner, Robert Polhill and Mitheleshwar Singh. (All were eventually

In 1989, confessed serial killer Theodore Bundy was executed in Florida's electric chair.

Ten years ago: A House committee opened hearings into the collapse of energy giant Enron Corp. Officials of Enron's accounting firm, Arthur Andersen, claimed fired auditor David Duncan was solely responsible for the massive destruction of Enron documents; Duncan refused to answer questions, invoking the Fifth Amendment.

Five years ago: The Democratic-controlled Senate Foreign Relations Committee passed a nonbinding measure, 12-9, dismissing President George W. Bush's plans for a troop buildup in Iraq as "not in the national interest" of the United States.

One year ago: In his second court appearance, Jared Lee Loughner pleaded not guilty in Phoenix to federal charges he'd tried to kill U.S. Rep. Gabrielle Giffords and two of her aides in a Tucson shooting rampage that had claimed six lives.

Today's Birthdays: Actor Ernest Borgnine is 95. Actor Jerry Maren ("The Wizard of Oz") is 93. Actor Marvin Kaplan ("Top Cat") is 85. Cajun musician Doug Kershaw is 76. Singersongwriter Ray Stevens is 73. Singer-songwriter Neil Diamond is 71. Singer Aaron Neville is 71. Actor Michael Ontkean is 66. Actor Daniel Auteuil is 62. Comedian Yakov Smirnoff is 61. Bandleader-musician Jools Holland is 54. Actress Nastassja Kinski is 53. Country musician Keech Rainwater (Lonestar) is 49. Comedian Phil LaMarr is 45. Olympic gold medal gymnast Mary Lou Retton is 44. Actor Matthew Lillard is 42. Actress Merrilee McCommas is 41. Actor Ed Helms is 38. Actress Tatyana Ali is 33. Actress Mischa Barton is 26.

Thought for Today: "I think of a hero as someone who understands the degree of responsibility that comes with his freedom." - Bob Dylan.



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Republican candidates on the issues

CALVIN WOODWARD Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) - Here's where the 2012 Republican presidential candidates stand on a selection of issues.

They are former House Speaker Newt Gingrich, Texas Rep. Ron Paul, former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney and former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum.

GINGRICH:

Abortion: Platform calls for conservative judges and no subsidies for abortion but not for constitutional abortion ban.

Debt: As House speaker in mid-1990s, engineered passage of a seven-year balanced-budget plan. It was vetoed by President Bill Clinton but helped form a bipartisan balanced budget two years later. Supports constitutional balanced budget amendment. Said that without a balanced budget, the U.S. had no choice but to raise its debt limit in the deal that avoided a default.

Economy: Repeal the 2010 financial industry and consumer protection regulations that followed the Wall Street meltdown, and repeal the 2002 regulations enacted in response to the Enron and other corporate and accounting scandals. Restrict the Fed's power to set interest rates artificially low. Make work training a condition of unemployment insurance and have states run it.

Education: "Dramatically shrink the federal Department of Education, get rid of virtually all of its regulations." But supported Obama administration's \$4 billion Race to the Top grant competition for states, which encourages compliance with national education standards, because it also promotes charter schools.

Energy: Let oil and natural gas industries drill offshore reserves now blocked from development, end restrictions on Western oil shale development. In Alaska alone, "We could liberate an area the size of Texas for minerals and other development."

Environment: Convert EPA into an "environmental solutions agency" devoted to scientific research and "more energy, more jobs and a better environment simultaneously." Supported tougher environmental regulation early in congressional career.

Gay Marriage: If the Defense of Marriage Act fails, "you have no choice except a constitutional amendment" to ban gay marriage. Under the act, the federal government does not recognize same-sex marriage and no state is forced to recognize a same-sex marriage validated by another state.

Health Care: Repeal Obama's health care law if Republicans win congressional majorities. Prohibit insurers from cancelling or charging discriminatory rate increases to those who become sick while insured, an element of Obama's law. Offer the choice of a "generous" tax credit to help people buy health insurance or the ability to deduct part of the cost from taxes, another feature similar to the existing law. Limit medical lawsuits to restrain health care costs and let people in one state buy policies in another. "Block-grant Medicaid and send it back to the states." Previously supported proposals that people be required to carry health insurance.

Immigration: In contrast to most rivals, supports giving legal status to illegal immigrants who have sunk roots in the U.S. and lived otherwise lawfully. "If you've been here 25 years and you got three kids and two grandkids, you've been paying taxes and obeying the law, you belong to a local church, I don't think we're going to separate you from your family, uproot you forcefully and kick you out." Supports path to citizenship for illegal immigrants' children who perform U.S. military service. Make English the official language. Divert more Homeland Security assets to fighting illegal immigration at Mexican border.

Social Security: Give younger workers the option of diverting Social Security taxes to private retirement accounts.

Taxes: Cut corporate tax to 12.5 percent from maximum 35 percent, eliminate capital gains and estate taxes, let companies write off all new equipment in one year. For personal taxes, let people choose whether to file under the current system or pay a 15 percent tax, preserving the mortgage interest and charitable deductions. Supported extending payroll tax cut. Terrorism: Supports extending and

strengthening investigative powers use of Guantanamo Bay detention for suspected terrorists. Supported creation of Homeland Security apparatus, because "we need some capacity to respond to massive events." In 2009, said of waterboarding: "It's not something we should do.'

War: Initially criticized Obama for not intervening in Libya, then did an about-face after the president had sent in U.S. war planes to support the rebels fighting the government. "I would not have used American and European forces." No cuts in defense spending except waste. Supported Iraq war and opposed early timetables for withdrawal.

PAUL:

Abortion: Says federal government should have no authority either to legalize or ban abortion. Yet signed pledge to advance only anti-abortion appointees for relevant administration jobs, cut off federal dollars for clinics that perform or finance abortions, and support a ban on abortions after the fetus reaches a certain stage in development.

Debt: Would eviscerate federal government, slashing nearly half its spending, shut five Cabinet-level. agencies, end spending on existing conflicts and on foreign aid.

Economy: Return to the gold standard, eliminate the Federal Reserve, let gold and silver be used as legal tender, eliminate most federal regula-

Education: Abolish the Education Department and end the federal role in education.

Energy: Remove restrictions on drilling, coal and nuclear power, eliminate gasoline tax, provide tax credits for alternative fuel technology.

Environment: In 2008, said "human activity probably does play a role" in global warming and part of the solution should be to stop subsidizing the oil industry and let prices rise until the free market turns to alternate energy sources. Now calls the science on manmade global warming a "hoax." Says emission standards should be set by states or regions, not Washington.

Gay Marriage: Says decisions on legalizing or prohibiting should be left to states. Supports federal law allowing one state to refuse to recognize the sex marriages of another state.

Health Care: Opposes compulsory insurance and all government subsidies for health coverage. Favors letting people deduct full cost of their health coverage and care from taxes. Says doctors should then feel an obligation to treat the needy for free.

Immigration: Do "whatever it takes" to secure the border, end the right to citizenship of U.S.-born children of illegal immigrants, no social services for illegal immigrants, aggressive deportation of those who overstay a visa or otherwise break U.S. law.

Social Security: Says younger workers should be able to opt out of Social Security taxes and retirement benefits. "My plan explicitly protects the elderly and the sick in the transition."

Taxes: Eliminate the federal income tax and the IRS. Meantime would vote for a national sales tax, supports certain excise taxes and certain tariffs. Favors massive spending cuts to defund close to half the government and eliminate the need to replace the income tax at all. Supported payroll

Terrorism: Opposes the surveillance and search powers of the Patriot Act. Says terrorists would no be motivated to attack America if the U.S. ended its military presence abroad. "The Patriot Act is unpatriotic because it undermines our liberty." Says: "Waterboarding is torture. And it's illegal under international law and under our law. It's also immoral. And it's also very impractical. There's no evidence that you really get reliable evidence.

War: Bring all or nearly all troops home, from Afghanistan and other foreign posts, "as quick as the ships could get there." Opposed U.S. intervention in Libya. "We've been fighting

s since World War II, technically ... an unconstitutional fashion." Cut Pentagon budget.

ROMNEY:

Abortion: Opposes abortion rights. Previously supported them. Says state law should guide abortion rights, and Roe v. Wade should be reversed by a future Supreme Court. But says Roe vs. Wade is law of the land until that happens and should not be challenged by federal legislation seeking to overturn abortion rights affirmed by that court decision. Would not sign pledge to advance only anti-abortion appointees for relevant administration jobs, cut off federal dollars for clinics that perform or finance abortions, and support a ban on abortions after the fetus reaches a certain stage in development. "So I would live within the law, within the Constitution as I understand it, without creating a constitutional crisis. But I do believe Roe v. Wade should be reversed to allow states to make that decision."

Debt: Defended 2008 bailout of financial institutions as a necessary step to avoid the system's collapse, criticized the bailout of General Motors and Chrysler and said any such aid should not single out specific companies. Cap federal spending at 20 percent of gross domestic product, down from today's recessionswollen 25 percent. Stayed silent on debt-ceiling deal during its negotiation, only announcing his opposition, to the final agreement shortly before lawmakers cast their votes. Instead, endorsed GOP "cut, cap and balance" bill that had no chance of enactment. Favors constitutional balanced budget amendment. Proposes 10 percent cut in federal workforce, elimination of \$1.6 billion in Amtrak subsidies and cuts of \$600 million in support for the CANDIDATES cont. on page 5A

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Economy: Lower taxes, less regulation, balanced budget, more trade deals to spur growth. Replace jobless benefits with unemployment savings accounts. Proposes repeal of the (Dodd-Frank) law toughening financial-industry regulations after the meltdown in that sector. Proposes changing, but not repealing, the (Sarbanes-Oxley) law tightening accounting regulations in response to corporate scandals, to ease the accountability burden on smaller businesses. "We don't want to tell the world that Republicans are against all regulation. No, regulation is necessary to make a free market work. But it has to be updated and modern.'

Education: Supported the federal accountability standards of No Child Left Behind law. In 2007, said he was wrong earlier in his career when he wanted the Education Department shut because he came to see the value of the federal government in "holding down the interests of the teachers' unions" and putting kids and parents first.

Energy: Accelerate drilling permits in areas where exploration has already been approved for developers with good safety records. Says cap and trade would "rocket energy prices." Supports drilling in the Gulf of Mexico, Atlantic and Pacific outer continental shelves, Western lands, the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and offshore Alaska; and supports exploitation of shale oil deposits. Reduce obstacles to coal, natural gas and nuclear energy development. Says green power has yet to become viable. Environment: Spending

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a fortune to cut the emissions linked to global warming "is not the right course for us." Has acknowledged the scientific consensus that humans contribute to global warming: "I believe the world is getting warmer, and I believe that humans have contributed to that." But now says: "My view is that we don't know what's causing climate change on this planet." Proposes to remove carbon dioxide from list of pollutants controlled by Clean Air Act, and amend clean water and air laws to ensure the cost of complying with regulations is balanced against environmental benefit.

Gay Marriage: Favors constitutional amendment to ban gay marriage, says policy should be set federally, not by states. "Marriage is not an activity that goes on within the walls of a

state." Health Care: Promises to work for the repeal of the federal health care law modeled largely after his universal health care achievement in Massachusetts because he says states, not Washington, should drive policy on the uninsured. Proposes to guarantee that people who are "continuously covered" for a certain period be protected against losing insurance if they get sick, leave their job and need another policy. Would expand individual tax-advantaged medical savings accounts and let the savings be used for insurance premiums as well as personal medical costs. Would let insurance be sold across state lines to expand options, and restrict malpractice awards to restrain health care costs. Introduce "generous" but undetermined subsidies to help future retirees buy private insurance instead of going on traditional Medicare. No federal requirement for people to have health insurance. His Massachusetts plan requires people to

have coverage, penalizes those who don't, and penalizes businesses of a certain size if they do not provide coverage to workers. His state has highest percentage of insured in nation. On Medicaid, proposes to convert program to a federal block grant administered by states.

Immigration: Favors U.S.-Mexico border fence, opposes education benefits to illegal immigrants. Would veto legislation that seeks to award legal status to some young illegal immigrants who attend college or serve in the armed forces. Proposes more visas for holders of advanced degrees in math, science and engineering who have U.S. job offers, and would award permanent residency to foreign students who graduate from U.S. schools with a degree in those fields.

Social Security: Protect the status quo for people 55 and over but, for the next generations of retirees, raise the retirement age for full benefits one or two years and reduce inflation increases in benefits for wealthier recipients.

Taxes: No one with adjusted gross income under \$200,000 should be taxed on interest, dividends or capital gains. Cut corporate tax rate to 25 percent from a high of 35 percent. Opposes proposals to replace current tax system with national sales tax because he says it raises taxes on middle class while lowering them for rich and poor. Make Bush-era tax cuts, including for the wealthy, permanent. Eliminate estate tax. Dodged on extending cut in payroll tax, saying he doesn't like "temporary little Band-Aids" but also he's not for raising taxes "anywhere."

Terrorism: No constitutional rights for foreign terrorism suspects. In 2007, refused to rule out use of waterboarding to interrogate terrorist suspects. In 2011, his campaign said he does not consider waterboarding to be torture.

War: Has not specified the troop numbers behind his pledge to ensure the "force level necessary to secure our gains and complete our mission successfully" in Afghanistan. "This is not time for America to cut and run." Said Obama was wrong to begin reducing troop levels as soon as he did. Would increase strength of armed forces, including number of troops and warships.

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Abortion: Favors constitutional abortion ban and opposes abortion even in cases of rape because "I would absolutely stand and say that one violence is enough." Previously supported right to abortion in cases of rape, incest and to save the life of the mother.

Debt: Freeze social and military spending for five years to cut \$5 trillion from federal budgets. Opposed the financial-industry bailout and stimulus programs of the Bush and Obama administrations. Supports constitutional balanced budget amendment holding federal spending at no more than 18 percent of GDP, down from the current recession-swollen 25

percent. Economy: Spur jobs by eliminating corporate taxes for manufacturers, drill for more oil and gas, and slash regulations. Repeal every Obama-era regulation that costs business more than \$100 million a year. "You may have to replace a few, but let's repeal them all because they are all antagonistic to businesses, particularly in the manufacturing sector."

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Education: Voted for the 10th Amendment, but sweeping No Child Left Behind education overhaul, now says he regrets doing so. Wants "significantly" smaller Education Department but not its elimination. Criticized early childhood education programs as an attempt by government to "indoctrinate your children."

Energy: Favors drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and scaling back "oppressive regulation" hindering drilling elsewhere. Eliminate energy subsidies in four years.

Environment: The science establishing human activity as a likely contributor to global warming is "patently absurd" and "junk science."

Gay Marriage: Supports constitutional ban on samesex marriage, not leaving decision to states. "We can't have 50 marriage laws.' "Abraham Lincoln said the states do not have the right to do wrong. I respect

we are a nation that has values. We are a nation that was built on a moral enterprise, and states don't have the right to tramp over those because of the 10th Amendment."

Health Care: Would seek to starve Obama's health care law of money needed to implement it, and to repeal it. Was a leading supporter of Bush administration's prescription drug program for the elderly, which he now calls a mistake.

Immigration: Supports border fence, opposes letting children of illegal immigrants qualify for cheaper in-state tuition and says federal government should not require states to offer any social services to illegal immigrants. Favors making English the official language.

Social Security: Proposes immediate steps to lower benefits for wealthier retirees, raise the age to qualify

for full benefits and restrict inflation increases in benefits. "We need to change benefits for everybody now." "We should absolutely do something about people who don't need Social Security." Supports option of private retirement accounts instead of Social Security taxes and benefits

for younger workers.

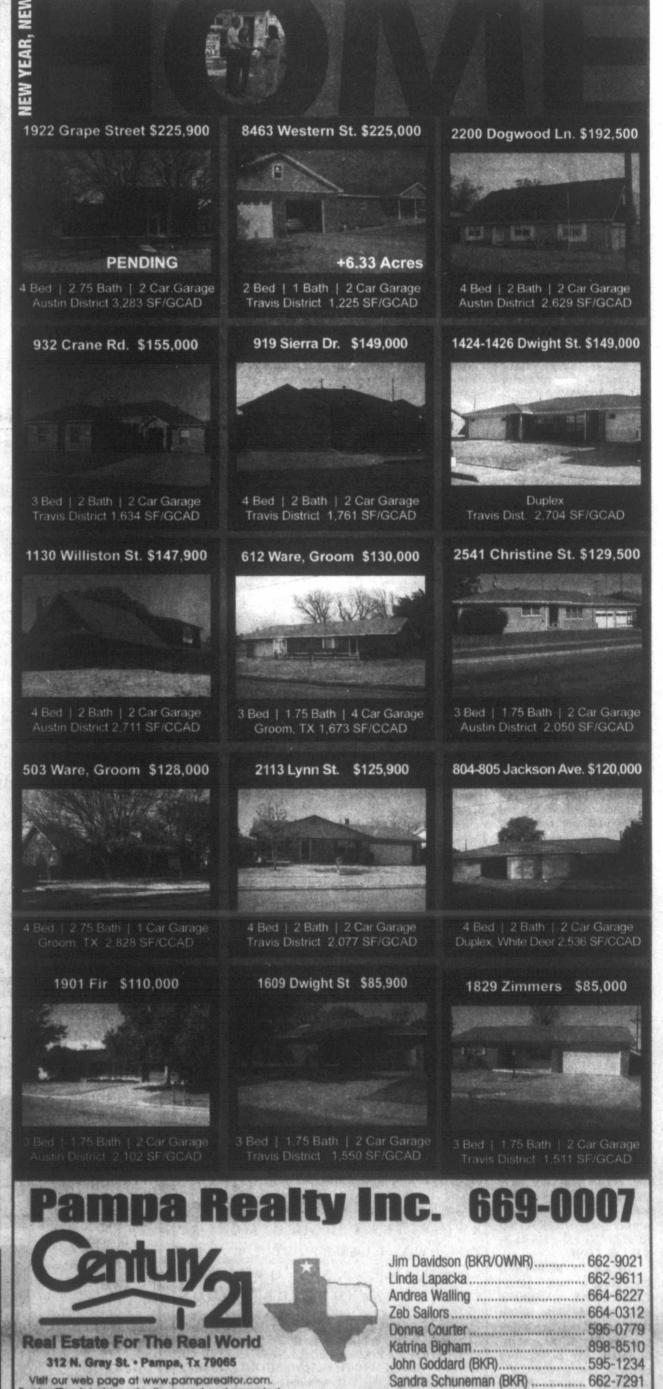
Taxes: Triple the personal exemption for dependent children, reduce the number of tax brackets to two -10 percent and 28 percent, exempt domestic manufacturers from the corporate tax and halve the top rate for other business. "If you manufacture in America, vou aren't going to pay any taxes." Opposes any national sales tax.

Terrorism: Defends creation of Homeland Security Department as an attempt to fix a "complete mess" in the domestic security apparatus. Voted to reauthorize Patriot Act. Says airport screeners should employ

profiling; "Muslims would be someone you'd look at, absolutely." Supports continued use of Guantanamo Bay detention for suspected terrorists but says Americans accused of being enemy combatants should have the right to go to court to challenge indefinite detention. Says waterboard-

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ing has proved effective. War: Says he would order that Iran's nuclear facilities be bombed unless they were opened for international arms inspectors. Proposes freezing defense spending for five years. Said in September 2011 that 20,000 to 30,000 U.S. troops should remain in Iraq. Says U.S. troops should withdraw from Afghanistan "a little slower" than Obama is planning. In May, accused Obama of "dithering" in Libya and creating a "morass" because he let the international community take the lead. Opposes closure of U.S. bases abroad.



Results

2	Marlee Youree	Gray 4-H	226
2 3 4 5 6 7	Jessica Parker	Pampa FFA	267
4	Paden Watson	Pampa FFA	240
5	Dalton Riggs	Gray 4-H	225
6	Delaney Tucker	Gray 4-H	263
7	Delaney Riggs	Gray 4-H	212
8	Andrew Morris	Lefors FFA	218
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Plac	e Name	Organization	Animal Wt.
1	Joshua Bagley	Pampa FFA	146
2	Natalie Bagley	Pampa FFA	119
Yor	k Class 17		
Plac	e Name	Organization	Animal Wt.
1	Lexi Didway	Gray 4-H	180
2	Mark Harris	Pampa FFA	194
3	Ethan Oxley	Pampa FFA	218
Yor	k Class 18		
Plac	e Name	Organization	
1	Madison Davis	Gray 4-H	278
2	Andrew Morris	Lefors FFA	245
3	Reece Parker	Pampa FFA	235
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York	Reserve Breed Cham	pion: Lexi Didwa	ay, Gray 4-H
Cros	ss Class 19		
Plac	e Name	Organization	Animal Wt.
1	J'Cee Holmes	Gray 4-H	149
2	Jayden Lambert	Gray 4-H	143
3	Nikalyn McGinty	Gray 4-H	140
4	Clay Ray	Pampa FFA	152
5	Karoley Villarreal	Pampa FFA	147
6	Delaney Riggs	Gray 4-H	142
7	Korbin Payne	Gray 4-H	103
Cro	ss Class 20		
Plac	e Name	Organization	Animal Wt.
1	Bray Eddleman	Gray 4-H	154
2	Emily Terry	Pampa FFA	173
3	Cooper Ray	Pampa FFA	174

Gray 4-H	185
Pampa FFA	190
Gray 4-H	186
Gray 4-H	177
Downer FFA	170

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0	Molly Manhart	Pampa FFA	178
7	Delaney Tucker	Gray 4-H	183
Cross	Class 22		
Place	Name	Organization	Animal
1	Remi Didway	Gray 4-H	202
2	Bray Eddleman	Gray 4-H	195
3	Amber Preston	Gray 4-H	196
4	Kyler Ray	Pampa FFA	197
5	Vica Marquez	Gray 4-H	200
6	Colten Ensey	Pampa FFA	203
7	Braydon Oxley	Gray 4-H	205

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8	Courtney Clem	Lefors FFA	201	
	Class 23			
Place	Name	Organization	Animal Wt.	
1	Jeremiah Hawn	Gray 4-H	230	
2	Isaiah Chisum	Gray 4-H	2:25	
3	Alyson Chisum	Gray 4-H	227	
4	Jana Shults	Pampa FFA	210	
5	Clay Baten	Pampa FFA	215	
6	Cooper Trolinger	Gray 4-H	227	
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Place	Name	Organization	Animal Wt.
1	Emily Licklider	Pampa FFA	259
2	Korbin Payne	Gray 4-H	246
3	Kirstan Epperson	Pampa FFA	249
4	Macy Cochran	Gray 4-H	238
5	Kati Johnson	Gray 4-H	254
6	Cooper Ray	Pampa FFA	242
7	Molly Manhart	Pampa FFA	264
8	Clay Ray	Pampa FFA	267
9	Cooper Trollinger	Gray 4-H	308
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Cross Reserve Breed Champion: Korbin Payne, Gray 4-H Grand Champion: Emily Licklider, Pampa FFA Reserve Grand Champion: Korbin Payne Barrow Jr. Showmanship First: Kirstan Epperson, Pampa

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Texas primary votes will likely take place in April or May.

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"Texas should be allowed the same authority other states have to protect the integrity elections," Abbott said. "To fast-track that

authority, Texas is taking legal action in a D.C. court seeking approval of its voter identification law.'

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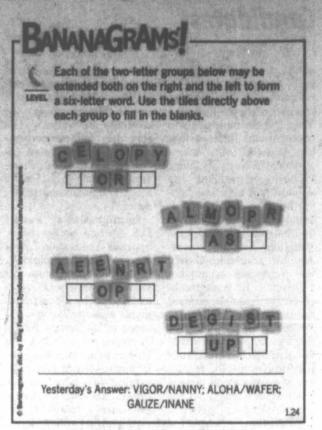
Minority groups have complained that the law is intended to discourage voting among the poor

and elderly, who are less likely to have a driver's license. Data produced by the Texas Secretary of State's office appears to support that contention, but state officials insist the data is too flawed to consider when deciding

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Adoption numbers from Curry described the num- ter, as well as forms for pet spaying/neutering for low income families. For more information or if interested in volunteering, contact Myrna Orr at 669-

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

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arrived at my date's home CAUTIOUS DRIVER I felt as if I had showered in my tux! After the dance, er" has good reason to miraculously, I felt relaxed and comfortable behind the wheel.

My supervised driving was a big help. Talking about safe driving and seeing videos may not have the same effect as driving with a critic in the passenger seat. — DRIVÎNG SINCE '59 IN CLARKS-VILLE, TENN.

DEAR **DRIVING:** Everyone — and I mean **EVERYONE** — seems to have an anecdote about their early driving experiences. My office was inundated. My newspaper readers' comments:

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DEAR ABBY: Like able fear of driving. I took fear driving: Motor ve-"I'd Rather Walk in Hous- cabs and walked, even hicle crashes are the leadton" (Nov. 12), I learned though I had a car and a ing cause of death among to drive as a high school valid license. I declined in- U.S. teens. In 2009, about senior. My father taught vitations when they meant 3,000 teens ages 15 to 19 me in a local park. As I I would have to drive, were killed and 350,000 learned to operate the car, It only got worse after I were treated in emergency

street traffic. He said I was and was diagnosed with an in an urban area with sidea "slow learner," but didn't anxiety disorder that mani- walks, bicycle lanes and force me onto the streets. fested behind the wheel. I good public transit and After several more rounds now take medication and minimize — or even elimiin the park, I was able to have learned coping skills nate - the need to drive. face traffic. Yes, I was un- to handle my feelings. I easy, but having Dad in the am still very cautious, but less likely to experience passenger seat boosted my I'm no longer housebound. many health problems. confidence. I drove with In fact, I sometimes even supervision for several enjoy taking the scenic should consider talking to months to get accustomed route. I agree with you a therapist. Rather, it is to the controls and learn to that "Rather" should see a those drivers who account avoid other cars and curbs. therapist who can show her for the 65 percent of trips My solo drive was techniques to calm herself under a mile that are taken prom night. By the time I before and during trips. -

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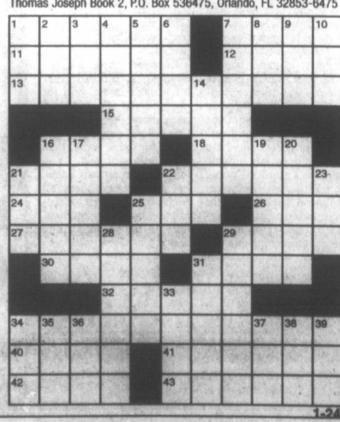
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first Tuesday of said Crawford Addition to month, at the Official the City of Pampa, Gray door of the Courthouse County, Texas of said GRAY County, Cause No: TAX-3411 described property, to PAMELA J.

VS. COLIN & ELONDA Tract 1: Lot Thirty-six three (53), Fraser An- Lot Twenty-four (24), (36), in Block Eight (8), nex, an Addition to the in Block One (1), Prairie Village, an Ad- City of Pampa, Gray Routson Subdivision dition to the City of County, Texas Pampa Gray County, Cause No: TAX-3468

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Cause No: TAX-3017 GRAY COUNTY, ET Lot Five (5), in Block AL vs. BIXLER, TER- Two (2), Crow Addi-

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Lots Twenty-one (21) Texas Twenty-two (22)Gray County, Texas, in Texas cluding the 1982 mobile Cause No. TAX-3558

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12'x44' Cause No: TAX-3365 GRAY COUNTY, ET AL vs. ORTIZ IRMA & JOSE

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to sell at 10:00 AM on East Seventy-five feet the 7th DAY OF Febru- (E 75") of Lot Eight ary, 2012, which is the (8), in Block Eight (8),

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Cause No: TAX-2064 30') of Lot Fifteen (15), GRAY COUNTY, ET and the North thirty feet JACKSON, (N 30') of Lot Sixteen (16), all in Block Fifty- RUBY ESTATE

GRAY COUNTY, ET County, Texas Cause No. TAX-2918 AL vs. SOTO, JULIO Lot Twenty-five (25), terest, and attorney fees GRAY COUNTY, ET & MARTINEZ, AN- in Block One (1), accrued to the date of

Lot Two (2), in Block an Addition to the City Two (2), Littleton, an of Pampa, Gray favor

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tion to the City of Pam-Cause No: TAX-3493 VS. HUGHES,

Lots Eighteen (18) and Nineteen (19), in Block GRAY COUNTY, ET Twenty-five (25), Wil-AL vs. EMORY JACK cox Addition to the City

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Nine (9), Original Cause No. TAX-3555 BURKS, JIMMY D Lot One (1), in Block Texas GRAY COUNTY, ET Two (2), Gordan, an Lot Six (6), in Block AL vs. RIVERA, RO- Addition to the City of Three (3), Haggard, an

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Lots Three (3) and Four (4), in Block Thirteen (13), Shaw, an Addition to the City of Lefors, Gray County,

Texas Cause No: TAX-3612 GRAY COUNTY, ET AL vs. COON, EDNA **ESTATE**

Lot Eight (8), in Block Sixteen (16), Talley, an Addition to the City of Pampa, Gray County,

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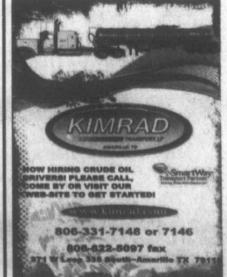
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Sports

Harvester soccer wins three in Amarillo Tourna

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Last season, the Pampa Harvesters soccer team only won one game. Thursday through Saturday, Pampa picked up three wins and finished third in the Amarillo Tournament.

Head coach Byron May said winning is fun and that the victories are a by-product of the team's goals.

"We want to play aggressively and break the game down into smaller periods," May said. "Right now, we are 9-9-22 in those individual periods. Which means we are probably fortunate to have a winning record at the moment."



The Harvesters (3-1-1)opened tournament Thursday with a 3-2 victory over Amarillo Tascosa JV. Senior Miguel Pacheco scored his first goal of the season to put Pampa ahead 1-0 three min-

utes into the game. Junior Adrian Ramos scored his first goal of the season on an assist by Franco Garcia in the 11 minute.

Tascosa got on the board towards the end of the first half and tied the game

in the 54 minute. Senior Colten Adams scored the game-winner in the last seven minutes of the second half on an assist from senior Flavio Gonzalez.

The Palo Duro Dons beat Pampa 5-1 on Friday. Pachecho scored Pampa's only goal from 40 yards out in the last minute of the game. The Harvesters, though, responded with a 2-0 victory over Randall. Pacheco scored his third goal of the season on an assist by Garcia. Gonzalez scored his second goal of the season at the 30 minute mark.

Pampa finished the tournament with a 3-1 victory over Canyon in the third place game. The Harvesters scored three goals in the final 20 minutes of the game.

Gonzalez scored his third on an assist by Adams in the 61st minute. Ramos scored his second goal of the season twominutes later. Garcia scored his first goal one minute later on an assist by Ramos.

Palo Duro, Randall and Canyon are all in Pampa's district. The Harvesters will start play in the Wichita Falls Winter Cup Thursday and finish on Saturday. Pampa will face Copperas Cove, Abilene Wylie, WF Rider and Burkburnett.

May said it will be a good challenge. "I told the kids we need to get through that gauntlet as a healthy, improved, bonded team of brothers," May said. "I'm excited to see how they respond.

Lady Harvesters hope to hit more against Perryton, Dalhart

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In the first games, against Perryton and Dalhart, the Pampa Lady Harvesters played strong defense but couldn't get their shots to fall. This week Pampa hopes to hit more of its shots, when it rematches with the two teams.

The Lady Harvesters (12-12, 2-2) host the Perryton Rangerettes (19-5, 4-0) 6 p.m. today. Pampa held Perryton to 42 points but had three cold spells that allowed the Rangerettes to pull away. Head coach Gene Valentine said the team needs to find its shots.

"You think if you give up 38 points, you would be all right," Valentine said. "We just got to start hitting."

Senior Kailyn Troxell said the team has focused practice on shooting the ball. "We've gotten a lot of reps in," Troxell

said. "Hopefully it will help in the game." Pampa also struggled with turnovers especially early in the game. Sophomore Hayley Burnett said the team has been more relaxed and should be tonight.

"We're at home," Burnett said. "We know we can make our shots here." Troxell said the team is more confident.

Burnett



seen them play. So, we should be more relaxed. If the Lady Harvesters win, it

we were excited,"

can move within a game of Perryton. A loss will pretty much guarantee that Pampa will have to fight for second. Pampa

Dalhart (15-9, 2-2) 6 p.m. Friday. Pampa was effective at limiting Dalhart's post Jeana Sybesma to just three field goals. Burnett said Pampa needs to shut others down.

"We did good in shutting (Sybesma) down," Burnett said. "They had other people step up and hit threes.



Senior Caitlin Sieck shoots a three against Borger on Jan. 10. Pampa hopes to make more shots against Perryton and Dalhart this week.

PHS boys basketball needs to turn things around in a hurry

Two weeks ago, a lot of better shot. us were feeling pretty giddy about the Pampa Harvesters boys basketball team. They Collins needs to pulled off a 64-59 victory Lubbock Monterey from Class 5A. In fact, there was some rumblings that this team might be better than the one that made that remarkable run to the regional finals last year.

Now, that excitement has turned into confusion, frustration and wondering what happened to the Harvesters. I'm sure several people are wondering how is this team sitting in last place in a district they won last year.

The answer is relatively simple: This team has several missing pieces from last season and no one has consistently filled those roles.

Last season, Harvesters had two scoring threats in Garrett Ericson and Latigo Collins. Ericson graduated, and opponents know that Collins is Pampa's leading scorer. This year, Collins has received more attention, and he needs to adjust his game accordingly. If three guys are on Collins because of his importance to the offense, for example, that means two men are left open and probably have a

Being the leader of the team, be able to carry the team on his back. In the second half, when Pampa needs come through, he hasn't. In the district opener, he

missed six second half free throws, which if he hit, the Harvesters would have won in regulation. Against Borger, he only scored three points in

the second half. Collins, though, certainly isn't the one to put all the blame on because his options around him haven't been consistent. Senior Cole Engle has established himself as the second-leading scorer, but isn't keeping opposing coaches up on Monday and Thursday nights. If he wants to become a second scoring threat, he's got to hit his shot more consistently. There's no set thing to do to have that happen. For one, Engle can do is shoot the three when it's a good shot. There's been games he's shot with someone on him. If he can shoot when he's open or use a pump



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he can become another scoring threat then opponents may loosen up on Collins.

Junior Derrek Pollard has had games where he's been one of our leading scor-

ers, but he's had games where his contributions have been limited. In the district opener against Dalhart, he recorded more technical fouls than field goals (2-1) and shot six jumpers that barely hit rim. Pollard (6'5") has to use his height to his advantage, and shooting long distance jumpers isn't how to do that. If he can power inside, he can put his shot above defenders and get an easy

Head coach Dustin Miller has said Pollard can dominate inside. If Pollard can become a dominant player inside, he can help get Pampa's outside game going. On defense, Pollard can make opponents think twice about shooting inside.

Senior Reid Miller has had several games where he has played well down

fake and get open low. He has had a few Jonathan Cox are supposed then he should be games where he has been to do on the court besides able to increase one of the scoring leaders. his numbers. If He has had games where he has been non-existent. Reid needs to be a leader on the floor, especially if the team wants to accomplish its goals of another district championship.

Junior Tyler Powell has had a stronger presence on the offense and defensive glass. The last few games he has earned more trips to the free throw line. That effort, to some extent, is being squandered because his teammates who are supposed to be leaders aren't stepping up.

Last season, Pampa had a strong bench. Engle established himself as the sixth man. Then-seniors Brandon Chairez and Greg Cabrales gave the team a spark off the bench. Thensenior Joseph Mechelay's job was to go and shut down the other team's big man. This season, senior Taylor Kennedy at times has emerged as the sixth man, but again, consistency has come to be an issue. Also, with the Harvesters are 20 games into the season, I'm still trying to figure out what seniors Laketon Harris, Jesus Cabrales give our starters some rest.

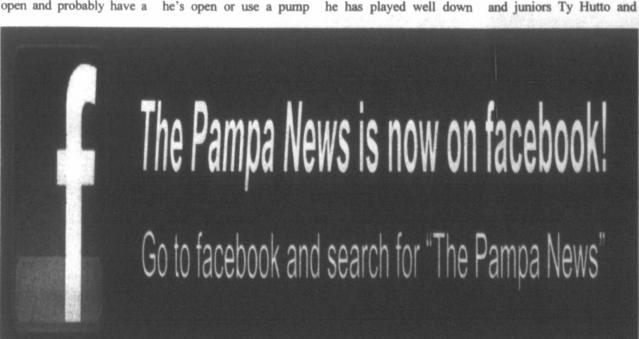
The most important thing for this team to understand is last year's run is exactly that. The fact that Pampa was a regional finalist last year isn't going to win games this year. In college football coach Mike Leach's final postgame speech at Texas Tech, he called out his team for trying to ride on last season's success. Most of that speech can't be repeated here but he told his players that they can't take credit for the plays that were

made last year. This year, the Harvesters have to have someone else make the big shots that Ericson hit. Someone else has to take Jonathan Polasek's role and liven up the team. Someone else's has got to fulfill Mechelay's

defensive ability The good things about this team are that it does have an expectation to win and always displays a good effort. That's something that's kept them in games and won games. Certainly, too, the talent is there; for all the criticism, these are smart kids and good basketball players. Theres just still some work to be done.

This team is capable of turning things around but it has to in a hurry. Pampa enters tonight's game against Perryton two games out of first. Dalhart and Borger are one victory away from holding the tiebreaker over the Harvesters. Maybe losing those games will help Pampa. Now, maybe Dalhart, Borger and Perryton may not respect them as much which could open the door for Pampa to get back in the district race.

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staff photo by Arnie Aurellano

Pampa Youth and Community Center member Payton Johnson tests out the facility's recently acquired Web-capable stationary bike.

Center of attention

New director touts revamped PY&CC

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There's a definite "in with the new" feeling over at the Pampa Youth and Community Center.

New director Tara Lindsey, who took over at PY&CC in December, said that the focus at the center has been on adding new things and upgrading the existing amenities since her arrival.

"We just want people to know that we're doing a lot of different things," Lindsey said. "We've revamped a lot of the facility and we plan on doing more within the next year."

That emphasis comes as part of a newly developed mission statement for the center, according to Lindsey.

"Each year, Pampa Youth and Community Center continues to advance its mission of being committed to provid-

ing its customers with a clean, comfortable, inviting facility; exceptional service; a wide variety of fitness options; and a fair price, all within a family-oriented environment," she said.

A big part of the center's new direction, Lindsey said, is a drive to put the "youth" back into "youth and community center." The center's back room is being groomed to serve as the focal point for a more kidfriendly complex, with activities such as ping pong, shuffleboard, video games and others being discussed.

"As soon as we can revamp that back area, we plan on pulling the youth back in here," Lindsey said. "It is Pampa Youth and Community Center, after all, so we want to bring the kids back. ... That is why Pampa Youth and Community Center was started in the first place," Lindsey said. "We're a nonprofit 501c, CENTER cont. on page 2B



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In pivotal year, health overhaul still lags in some states

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Here's a reality check for President Barack Obama's health overhaul: Three out of four uninsured Americans live in states that have yet to figure out how to deliver on its promise of affordable medical care.

This is the year that will make or break the health care law. States were supposed to be partners in carrying out the biggest safety net expansion since Medicare and Medicaid, and the White House claims they're making steady progress.

But an analysis by The Associated Press shows that states are moving in fits and starts. Combined with new insurance coverage estimates from the nonpartisan Urban Institute, it reveals a patchwork nation.

Such uneven progress could have real consequences. If it continues, it will mean disparities and delays from state to state in carrying out an immense expansion of health insurance scheduled in the law for 2014. That could happen even if the Supreme Court upholds Obama's law, called the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

"There will be something there, but if it doesn't mesh with the state's culture and if the state is not really supporting it, that certainly won't help it succeed," said Urban Institute senior researcher Matthew Buettgens.

The 13 states that have adopted a plan are home to only 1 in 4 of the uninsured. An additional 17 states are making headway, but it's not clear all will succeed. The 20 states lagging behind account for the biggest share of the uninsured, 42 percent.

Among the lagging states are four with arguably the most to gain. Texas, Florida, Georgia and Ohio together would add more than 7 million people to the insurance rolls, according to Urban Institute estimates, reducing

the annual burden of charity care by \$10.7 billion.

"It's not that we want something for free, but we want something we can afford," said Vicki McCuistion of Driftwood, Texas, who works two part-time jobs and is uninsured. With the nation's highest uninsured rate, her state has made little progress.

The Obama administration says McCuistion and others in the same predicament have nothing to fear. "The fact of states moving at different rates does not create disparities for a particular state's uninsured population," said Steve Larsen, director of the Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight at the federal Department of Health and Human Services.

That's because the law says that if a state isn't ready, the federal government will step in. Larsen insists the government will be ready, but it's not as easy as handing out insurance cards.

Someone has to set up health insurance exchanges, new one-stop supermarkets with online and landline capabilities for those who buy coverage individually.

A secure infrastructure must be created to verify income, legal residency and other personal information, and smooth enrollment in private insurance plans or Medicaid. Many middle-class households will be eligible for tax credits to help pay premiums for private coverage. Separate exchanges must be created for small businesses.

"It's a very heavy lift," said California's health secretary, Diana Dooley, whose state was one of the first to approve a plan. "Coverage is certainly important, but it's not the only part. It is very complex."

California has nearly 7.5 million residents without coverage, more than half of the 12.7 million uninsured in the states with a plan. An estimated 2.9 million

Californians would gain coverage, according to the Urban Institute's research, funded by the nonpartisan Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Democrats who wrote the overhaul law had hoped that most states would be willing partners, putting aside partisan differences to build the exchanges and help cover more than 30 million uninsured nationally. It's not turning out that way.

Some states, mainly those led by Democrats, are far along. Others, usually led by Republicans, have done little. Separately, about half the states are suing to overturn the law.

Time is running out for states, which must have their plans ready for a federal approval deadline of Jan. 1, 2013. Those not ready risk triggering the default requirement that Washington run their exchange.

Yet in states where Republican repudiation of the health care law has blocked exchanges, there's little incentive to advance before the Supreme Court rules. A decision is expected this summer, and many state legislatures aren't scheduled to meet past late spring.

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The result if the law is upheld could be greater federal sway over health care in the states, the very outcome conservatives say they want to prevent.

"If you give states the opportunity to decide their own destiny, and some choose to ignore it for partisan reasons, they almost make the case against themselves for more federal intervention," said Sen. Ben Nelson, D-Neb.

A conservative, Nelson was on the winning side of a heated argument among Democrats over who should run exchanges, the feds or the states. Liberals lost their demand for a federal exchange, insulated from state politics.

"It's pretty hard to take care of the states when they don't take care of themselves," said Nelson, who regrets that the concession he fought for has been dismissed by so many states.

The AP's analysis divided states into four broad groups: those that have adopted a plan for exchanges, those that made substantial progress, those where the outlook is unclear, and those with no significant progress. AP statehouse reporters were consulted in cases of conflicting information.

Thirteen states, plus the District of Columbia, have adopted a plan.

By contrast, in 20 states either the outlook is unclear or there has been no significant progress. Those states include more than 21 million of the 50 million uninsured Americans.

Four have made no significant progress. They are Arkansas, Florida, Louisiana and New Hampshire. The last three returned planning money to the federal government. In Arkansas, Democratic Gov. Mike Beebe ran into immovable GOP opposition in the Legislature. Beebe acknowledges that the federal government will have to run the exchange, but is exploring a fallback option.

In the other 16 states, the outlook is unclear because of failure to advance legislation or paralyzing political disputes that often pit Republicans fervently trying to stop what they deride as "Obamacare" against fellow Republicans who are more pragmatic.

In Kansas, for example, Insurance Commissioner Sandy Praeger is pushing hard for a state exchange, but Gov. Sam Brownback returned a \$31 million federal grant, saying the state would not act before the Supreme Court rules. Both officials are Republicans.

"It's just presidential politics," said Praeger, discussing the situation nationally. "It's less about whether exchanges make sense and more about trying to repeal the whole law." As a result, outlook is unclear for a state with 361,000 uninsured residents.

There is a bright spot for Obama and backers of the

law.

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Tara Lindsey, director of the Pampa Youth and Community Center, shows off the facility's recently re-tiled pool area.

Center

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and we are a community center. We're not just a gym or health club."

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Lindsey said that she hopes to be able to debut the overhaul to the youth area by the summer, when kids are looking for recreation options during their time off from school. In the meantime, renovations and tweaks to the daily procedures at the center started in December, including some tile work in and around the pool area and some re-plumbing to keep the pool's temperature more constant.

Curtis Babb, PY&CC facilities manager, said that the center has also put a premium on cleanliness and aesthetics for the benefit of its members. The center has adopted a strict cleaning regimen to keep it welcome and inviting to regular guests and newcomers alike.

"I've been to Gold's and Zach's (Club) 54 in Amarillo and talked to those people down there, and our cleaning schedule is even higher than theirs," Babb said.

"We've gotten so many compliments," Lindsey said.
"When someone walks in here, we want them to see how clean it is."

"We want them to smell how clean it is," Babb added with a laugh. "A lot of the time, you walk into a gym and it smells like a gym. We want this to smell different from that."

On the fitness side, Lindsey said that the center hopes to add some regular classes within a year, pending approval by the facility's board. The center, Lindsey added, is working towards updating itself towards current fitness trends, such as adding a punching bag with an eye toward the popularity of cardio kickboxing and MMA-styled workouts. It also has a recently acquired \$6,000 stationary bike that hooks up to the Internet, which, coupled with the building's soon-to-be-implemented WiFi for members, could be a big attraction for Pampans looking for workout options.

"People can put their name in there and keep track of their goals," Babb said. "It'll all be saved in there online."

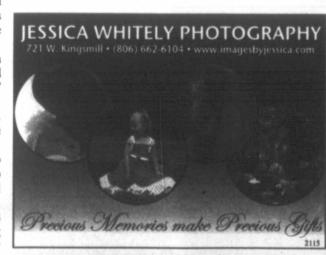
The center is also upgrading to a keycard system for its members, another move that Lindsey said reflects PY&CC's forward direction.

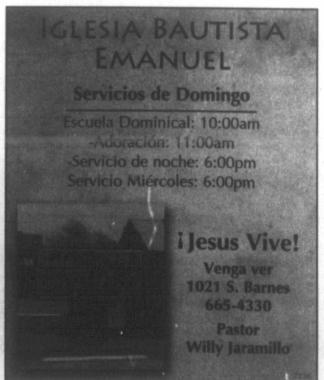
"We have to stay up with the times," Lindsey said.
"With all the new technology, we want to provide the best we can to our members here at Pampa Youth and

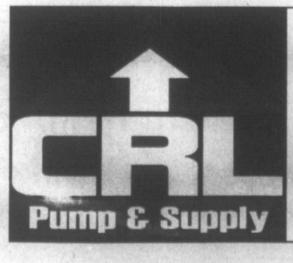
Of course, Lindsey said, if Pampans want to see what's in the works at PY&CC for themselves, they're always welcome.

"We really have revamped a lot," Lindsey said.
"Everything we've done is for our members and our customers. We think that if people come see us, they'll see that there's a lot here."

The Pampa Youth and Community Center is located at 1005 W. Harvester. For more information, contact the center at 806-665-0748.







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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, night: All smiles. Jan. 25, 2012:

Your dreams play an even stronger role in your life this year. For that reason alone, you might want to consider keeping a dream diary. Your positive attitude plays out well, especially in your personal and domestic life. If you are single, curb a tendency to commit before you really know the person. Give yourself at least a year. If you are attached, the two of you expand your household or make some positive changes to your home. PISCES has great ideas for how to spend your

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)

*** What you might be thinkworking on a very different, intuitive level. If you have a strong sense financially, follow through, as long as the risk is not too great. Share an inspired idea. Tonight: you want. Tonight: Ever playful. Relax to some good music.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

**** You zero in on what is happening with a friend. Be gracious. Let this person tell you what is going on, though he or she might not be exactly sure. A friend who can be flighty taps into your energy. Do not allow this person to drain you. Tonight: Where the action is.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

thought of as rumor or hearsay might not be. The end results will be excellent. Many of your interactions transform within a key relationship. Still, you need to detach from this person's need to control. Tonight: A spark on the social scene.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) **** You might want to revamp your plans. The problem lies in the fact that once your day becomes fluid, it might never stabilize. Ask yourself if that is OK. Several demanding people seek you out. You cannot avoid their controlling ways forever. Tonight: Break past your thoughts.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) *** Your fiery demeanor seems a bit off. You feel as if you must understand what is happening behind the scenes, especially with a key player. Others do not a little more difficult and, in some sense, know what to make of you when you are convoluted. Tonight: Meet a friend; the like this. It gives them pause to think. To- activity is your call.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

**** Others view you as excitable and full of energy. Your ability to detach will emerge, allowing you to make a perfect choice. You know what works. Answer to another person clearly. Your ability to understand allows you to be gracious when few can. Tonight: Taking in

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Put 100 percent into whatever you want. You will see the end results, which will make you smile. You also will feel much better about yourself. A partner comes up with a wonderful investment. Push comes to shove with a personal mat-

ter. Tonight: Togetherness works. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

*** Your words make waves. You ing may not be apparent. In fact, you are might want to decide if that is the end result you desire. Do not try to minimize the situation. Rather, claim responsibility and the ability to change it. Know what it is

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ** Pressure builds, and you see life from a different perspective. Getting your view in line with reality needs to occur in order to experience success. Opportunities increase under those circumstances. Be willing to reorganize from a different

perspective. Tonight: Happiest at home. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) *** Your self-expression and ability **** What you might have to move forward depend on whether you can open up to a new perspective. Remain sure of yourself, and honor your core integrity. You cannot go wrong. Creativity surges to an unprecedented level if you relax. Tonight: Let talks flow naturally.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** What you perceive as a good idea could become one. Test it a little more. Be more sensitive to your personal needs, and you will gain. Not everything is work- or business-related. Let go and relax. Tonight: Buy a coveted item on the way home

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

**** You flow through problems with optimism, drawing even more positive responses. A meeting that you thought would go a certain way becomes Tundra



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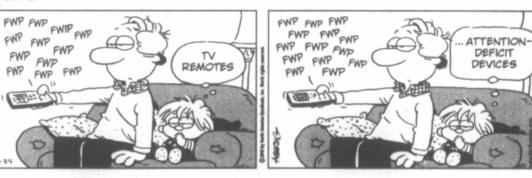
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Just the facts, ma'am

Popular health myths debunked

Well-meaning parents or grandparents often tell children not to do something with the warning that a serious health implication could result. Kids often take their elders at their word. But some of these warnings bear more truth than others. Here's the scoop on some of the more common misconceptions.

Myth: Swallowed chewing gum stays in the stomach for seven years.

Reality: While chewing gum cannot be digested and is meant to be chewed and not swallowed, accidentally swallowing a piece here and there won't cause major issues. That's because the gum will simply pass through the digestive system whole and come out with stool. If a large amount of gum is swallowed in a short period of time, then there could be issues, including constipation and intestinal blockage in

Myth: If you keep your eyes crossed too long, they will get stuck that way.

Reality: The muscles in the eye are just like any muscles elsewhere in the body. Although they may tire and get sore, they are relatively resilient and can take a lot of wear and tear. Crossing your eyes may tax these muscles, but you won't do any permanent harm. Rest assured that crossing the eyes will not leave them stuck that way.

Myth: Going outside with wet hair will make you sick.

Reality: Although you will feel colder stepping outside with a part of your body wet, it won't make you more susceptible to catching a cold. Researchers at the Common Cold Research Unit in England once tested a group of volunteers who were given the cold virus. One half of the group stayed in a warm room, while the others took a bath and stood wet in a hallway for a half hour. The wet group didn't catch more colds than the dry.

Myth: Covering your head is most important because you lose 75 percent of your body heat through it.

Reality: This calculation is more for an infant whose head makes up a greater percentage of his or her body. In an adult, the figure is closer to 10 percent. Heat can escape from any exposed area of the body. Therefore, it is helpful to bundle up all areas of the body when spending time outdoors in the cold weather.



Want to swim right after eating? There's little scientific basis to the idea that the digestive system pulls blood from the muscles, leading to increased risk of cramping up and drowning. Know, though, that you might have less energy to swim vigorously.

Myth: Don't swim right after eating.

Reality: The basis of this mantra is that when digesting food, the digestive system pulls blood away from the muscles and the idea is that you could cramp up and drown. While you may have less energy to swim

vigorously, chances are you won't be so weak as to drown.

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Although many health myths prevail, knowing the truth can help parents educate their children better about which behaviors are safe and which are risky.

Overhaul

An additional 17 states have made substantial progress, although that's no guarantee of success. Last week in Wisconsin, GOP Gov. Scott Walker abruptly halted planning and announced he will return \$38 million in federal money.

The AP defined states making substantial progress as ones where governors or legislatures have made a significant commitment to set up exchanges. Another important factor was state acceptance of a federal exchange establishment grant.

That group accounts for just under onethird of the uninsured, about 16 million

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York, Illinois, North Carolina and New Jersey, which combined would add more than 3 million people to the insurance rolls.

Several are led by Republican governors, including Virginia and Indiana, which have declared their intent to establish insurance exchanges under certain conditions. Other states that have advanced under Republican governors include Arizona and New Mexico.

For uninsured people living in states that have done little, the situation is demoral-

Gov. Rick Perry's opposition to the law scuttled plans to advance an exchange bill in the Texas Legislature last year, when

Perry was contemplating his presidential run. The Legislature doesn't meet this year, so the situation is unclear.

McCuistion and her husband, Dan, are among the nearly 6.7 million Texans who lack coverage. Dan is self-employed as the owner of a specialty tree service. Vicki works part time for two nonprofit organizations. The McCuistions have been uninsured throughout their 17-year marriage, although their three daughters now have coverage through the Children's Health Insurance Program. Dan McCuistion has

been nursing a bad back for years, and it only seems to get worse.

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"For me it almost feels like a ticking time bomb," his wife said.

Dan McCuistion says he doesn't believe Americans have a constitutional right to health care, but he would take advantage of affordable coverage if it was offered to him. He's exasperated with Perry and other Texas politicians. "They give a lot of rhetoric toward families, but their actions don't meet up with what they are saying,"





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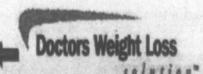
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