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Woody Guthrie Folk Center readies for Arlo's visit

Woody's son and renowned musician to appear in March

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At 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 11, Arlo Guthrie, musician and son of folk singer Woody Guthrie, will perform at the M.K. Brown Auditorium. The concert will be followed by a question and answer session with Guthrie and Bob Santelli, executive director of the Grammy Museum.

The concert leads up to a celebration of Woody Guthrie's 100th birthday in July, which is being com-

memorated across the country, and will follow a concert in Tulsa, which will feature musicians including John Mellencamp, Jimmy LaFave, the Flaming Lips and Arlo Guthrie.

"They're having a big show in Tulsa to dedicate the new center for (Woody Guthrie's) archives," said Mike Sinks, vice president of the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center. "They'll be in the area anyway, and asked if we'd like him to come."

This year, the Grammy Museum has been part of an effort to commemorate the life and career of Woody

Guthrie, who spent his early adulthood in Pampa.

"In January, they started going all across the United States with a 2012 tribute to Woody Guthrie's 100th birthday," said Ken Wilson, president of the Woody GUTHRIE cont. on page 5A



Wilson



A. Guthrie

Early Friday fire strikes two homes

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On early Friday morning, a fire hit a Pampa home, spreading to a nearby residence and creating an estimated \$53,500 in damage.

The Pampa Fire Department dispatched seven units and 13 personnel to the 300 block of North Banks around 1:30 a.m. on Friday. They found an unoccupied home fully involved, with flames spreading to a nearby residence. A male occupant of the neighboring home was treating for smoke inhalation by the Pampa EMS on the scene.

Capt. Jerry Tomaschik of the Pampa Fire Department said that the fire was under control within 30 minutes. Aside from the two homes, the fire also affected a detached garage and heavily burned a pickup. Damage to the neighboring home is estimated at about \$15,000.

"(Firefighters) were able to save it with some damage to the house, but it can be repaired," said Tomaschik.

The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

MORNING BLAZE



photo courtesy of Rick Morgan

An early Friday house dealt approximately \$68,500 worth of total damage to a pair of Pampa residences on North Banks. The fire impacted two houses, a detached garage and a pickup truck.

Courtney urges notification registration

Emergency management coordinator looks to raise participation in new system

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With some experts predicting an active severe weather season in 2012, Pampa Emergency Management Coordinator is urging area residents to sign up for the "Resolve to be Ready" Emergency Notification System.

Courtney did not have the exact statistics, but he indicated that the number of people who are currently signed up is far below the number he wants.

"I need 17,994 (people)," Courtney said with a smile. "The 911 (land line) database is covered. I can call the 911 database, but number one, not everyone is at home, and more and more people are going to cell phone only. That's why we

need people to register, so they can get a text saying the National Weather Service advises that there's a strong indications that there may be severe weather this afternoon, up to and including the possibility of tornadoes."

Meteorological experts have been watching the southeastern United States for funnel clouds, as a brewing storm is threatening the possibility of a destructive spate of tornadoes. Predicting such storms has been an inexact science, but some believe that, after a particularly nasty 2011 all across the country (tornadoes killed 550 people and caused \$10 billion in damage in the United States last year), 2012 may be an equally dangerous sequel.

Gray County's own severe weather season got an early start when a tornado hit the northeastern corner of the county over the first weekend of this month. That's why, Courtney said, signing up for the notification system may be vital.

"You just can't stress it enough," Courtney said. "La Nina



Courtney

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Knights to host 60th annual sausage dinner

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One of the city's longest standing traditions will continue over the weekend when the Knights of Columbus will host its 60th annual Polish Sausage supper on Sunday.

The dinner will take place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus lodge at 318 North Cuyler in Pampa. Plates cost \$10 each, and people have the option to dine there or do take out.

"The money will go towards our scholarship SAUSAGE cont. on page 5A

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MORNINGRUSH

Stratford teen dies after fall

STRATFORD (AP) — A Texas Panhandle teen on his school's golf team has died after apparently hitting his head during an accidental fall from a cart.

A funeral has been scheduled Saturday for 14-year-old Blaine Killian of Stratford.

The superintendent of the Stratford Independent School District said Friday that Killian suffered a fractured skull after apparently slipping and falling from a golf cart. Jerry Birdsong says the accident happened around 6 p.m. Monday at a course where the team practices. The boy died Tuesday at a hospital.

Birdsong says the squad does not use golf carts during practice. The superintendent said he believes Killian was hurt in an after-practice incident, although school officials are reviewing the timeline.

Stratford is a town of about 2,000, located 80 miles north of Amarillo.

Texas awarded oil spill damages

HOUSTON (AP) — An investor in the Deepwater Horizon rig that blew up and caused one of the worst oil spills in U.S. history has agreed to pay Texas \$6.5 million for damages caused to the Gulf of Mexico.

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott said in a statement Friday that MOEX Offshore will pay for damages caused to the Gulf and its coastal communities due to the April 2010 spill. MOEX had a 10 percent interest in the rig.

Texas' cut will come out of MOEX's \$90 million settlement with the federal government and Gulf states over the spill. That agreement includes the largest civil penalty ever recovered under the Clean Water Act, but that record is likely to be shattered if BP reaches its own settlement with the Justice Department.

Hard drives erased in fraud case

HOUSTON (AP) — A prosecutor has told jurors at Texas tycoon R. Allen Stanford's fraud trial that computer hard drives belonging to the outside auditor for Stanford's Caribbean bank apparently were erased after the auditor died.

The prosecutor's comment came during questioning of a defense witness Friday. It prompted a failed mistrial request from Stanford's attorneys, who claimed the information hasn't been verified and could harm their case.

The issue came up when the prosecutor questioned a defense witness who testified he didn't have access to the auditor's work papers.

Prosecutors allege the bank was at the center of a Ponzi scheme that took billions from investors and Stanford bribed the auditor to help him hide the fraud.

Stanford's attorneys have blamed his ex-chief financial officer for the alleged fraud.

Drug increases execution cost

HOUSTON (AP) — The switch to a substitute drug to carry out executions is driving up the costs of carrying out capital punishment in Texas.

A year ago, Texas replaced sodium thiopental as one of the three lethal injection drugs after the European supplier stopped making it and no other source could be found. It was replaced by pentobarbital.

The Austin American-Statesman reported Friday that the new drug means it costs nearly \$1,300 now for drugs for each execution. That's up from \$83 under the previous mixture.

Prison officials say each drug has become more expensive but the bulk of the increase is due to the pentobarbital.

Critics blast education bill

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Critics say the so-called "Academic Freedom" bill passed out of an Oklahoma House committee is an effort to teach creationism in public schools.

But the sponsor of the bill that passed out of committee on a 9-7 vote says the assertion is not true.

Republican Rep. Gus Blackwell says the bill does not allow creationism to be taught, but gives legal protection to students, teachers and administrators who discuss weaknesses found in science.

But a board member for Americans United for Separation of Church and State says he believes the bill is a veiled attempt to allow creationism to be taught at schools.

Man arrested in meteorite heist

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — University of New Mexico police say there's been an arrest in the theft of a meteorite. KOB-TV reports Derek Douglas was arrested on suspicion of stealing a meteorite from the Meteorite Museum.

A meteorite dealer in Missouri contacted police in New Mexico with documentation of the sale from Douglas. According to reports, the dealer told police he knew something wasn't right because he purchased the meteorite for \$1,800 when it was valued at nearly \$40,000.

A judge signed an arrest warrant for Douglas on Feb. 13, but police didn't locate Douglas until Wednesday.

Guthrie

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Guthrie Folk Music Center. "It started in Los Angeles and ends in New York City, and along the way is Pampa, Texas. We're part of something big that started at the Grammy Museum."

Arlo Guthrie, best known for songs like "City of New Orleans" and "Alice's Restaurant," will play an informal, solo set at his show in Pampa.

"He'd been traveling through Europe, and wanted to do small shows in a more intimate atmosphere like he did when he first started," said Sinks. "He's had quite a career, because he grew up in New York at the beginning of the folk movement."

Fans of Arlo Guthrie and his father alike are looking forward to the conversation that will follow his performance.

"He's a great storyteller, and a lot of his songs are stories," said Sinks. "I know he'll talk about Woody, so I'm interested in what he'll have to say."

Parents file 5th Texas school finance suit

AUSTIN (AP) — A small group of parents filed the fifth school finance lawsuit against Texas on Friday, this one charging that the state is not getting enough bang for its buck and asking the courts to address inefficiencies in how education funding is spent.

Attorneys submitted the suit to the 200th Judicial District Court in Austin on behalf of five families who say the state's schools aren't meeting their children's needs, as well as Texans for Real Efficiency and Equity in Education, a new group formed by three entrepreneurs.

Four other lawsuits already have been filed claiming the school finance plan approved by the state Legislature is not equitable in how it distributes funding to school districts. In all, more than 500 school districts representing more than 3 million children are suing the state as part of that process.

Chris Diamond, lead attorney in the latest litigation, said it may eventually be combined with the other cases. But he said it goes further, asking the courts to look at how money is spent — rather than simply if it is distributed fairly.

"We're dumping all of this money into the system and yet kids aren't ready to go to college," Diamond said.

The Legislature approved \$50.8 billion for public education for this year and next, but lawmakers rewrote the school funding formula

to cut \$4 billion and cut \$1.4 billion in grant programs, even though enrollment has been growing.

That caused the amount of money Texas spends per student to fall to \$8,908 per pupil, down \$538 from last year and well below the current national average of \$11,463, according to the National Education Association.

Those cuts prompted the first four lawsuits, but Diamond said the latest has nothing to do with the Legislature's budget. He said it is about parents who "feel as if their children are trapped in an unproductive system" and that the suit isn't meant to be political or promote school choice or other conservative causes.

Districts and residents have been suing over school funding in Texas for more than 40 years. Diamond said that in past rulings, the state high court has issued opinions that "all-but invited" a legal challenge to the overall way Texas pays for its schools.

"We've been challenging this funding issue, but we need to hear about the basic, fundamental issues in the system," he said.

Diamond said the idea would be to have the courts force the Legislature's hand and rule the system unconstitutional so lawmakers would have to overhaul school finance.

One of the new suit's plaintiffs is Joyce Coleman, a Houston widow and former teacher who has a son

in one charter school and a daughter in another. Coleman sent her other daughter, who is 16, to stay with her aunt, where she can attend school in a different district.

Coleman said she tried to send her children to public schools in their home district nearly a decade ago, but they didn't have adequate materials and there were problems on the bus. Things haven't improved in the years since, she said.

"I thought that, by now, they would have done something in my district and I'm very saddened that have they put it on the backburner," she said. "But it's a whole generation of children that's not getting adequate teaching, day-by-day lessons that they are supposed to get."

James Jones, chairman of Texans for Real Efficiency and Equity in Education, said that when his daughter was born, his family sold their house and moved to a new part of town to ensure she would attend a better public school.

Jones, who also owns of Austin-based American Land and Minerals, said the fact that about 56,000 students were on waitlists last summer to attend open-enrollment charter schools statewide shows how inefficient Texas schools are. But he said the suit isn't about charter schools or lowering Texans' tax burden to pay for public ones.

"This is about the outcomes of the system," Jones said.

Suspect in Iran missile plot handed over

EL PASO (AP) — A retired British businessman accused of plotting to sell missile components to Iran headed to the United States Friday to face charges after failing to overturn an extradition order.

Christopher Tappin faces charges in El Paso, Texas, that he tried in 2006 to buy specialized batteries for Hawk missiles for \$25,000 from undercover American agents with the intention of exporting them to Iran.

The 65-year-old Tappin faces up to 35 years in jail if convicted. He fought extradition for two years until last month when he was denied a petition to take the case to Britain's Supreme Court. A subsequent appeal to the European Human Rights Court was also rejected.

Tappin denies any wrongdoing, saying he was the victim of a sting operation.

The order to deport Tappin sparked a debate in the U.K., where critics claim the country's extradition treaty with the U.S. does not provide equal protection for British and American citizens.

Prime Minister David Cameron has promised to carefully review the treaty and a recent independent study on its balance. That report, conducted by Lord Justice Scott Baker, largely

endorsed the treaty and the overhaul demanded by many of the deal's critics doesn't appear to be in the cards.

U.S. Marshalls took Tappin into custody Friday morning at London's Heathrow Airport. He complained to reporters that he was receiving harsher treatment than Abu Qatada, a radical, Jordanian-born cleric accused of ties to al-Qaida who recently received bail in London.

"I have no rights," Tappin said as his wife looked on in tears. "Abu Qatada is walking the streets of London today and we cannot extradite him. He has more rights than I have. If I was a terrorist, I would not be going to America. I think it's a shame, a disgrace."

He was expected to arrive in Texas on Friday afternoon.

Tappin's attorney, Houston based attorney Dan Cogdell said he will aggressively seek bond.

"He is not a flight risk, not a terrorist, not a danger," Cogdell said. He declined to comment further.

Tappin was accused in a 2007 three-count indictment of scheming to export the batteries to the U.K. without a license. Court documents show that a cooperating defendant provided computer files that demonstrate Tappin intended to

then send the batteries to a Tehran-based company and that he and the cooperating defendant had illegally sold U.S. technology to Iran in the past.

Two other men have already been sentenced to prison times for charges stemming from the indictment. Robert Gibson, another British national, pleaded guilty in April 2007 and was sentenced to 24 months in prison. Robert Caldwell, from Oregon, was found

guilty in July of that year and received a 20 month sentence.

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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Saturday, Feb. 25, the 56th day of 2012. There are 310 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 25, 1862, Nashville, Tennessee was occupied by federal forces during the Civil War; it was the first Confederate capital to fall to the Union.

On this date:

In 1779, a militia led by George Rogers Clark routed the British from Fort Sackville in the Revolutionary War Battle of Vincennes in present-day Indiana.

In 1836, inventor Samuel Colt patented his revolver.

In 1901, United States Steel Corp. was incorporated by J.P. Morgan.

In 1913, the 16th Amendment to the Constitution, giving Congress the power to levy and collect income taxes, was declared in effect by Secretary of State Philander Chase Knox.

In 1919, Oregon became the first state to tax gasoline, at one cent per gallon.

In 1922, French serial killer Henri Landru, convicted of murdering 10 women and the son of one of them, was executed in Versailles (vehr-SY').

In 1948, Communists seized power in Czechoslovakia.

In 1950, "Your Show of Shows," starring Sid Caesar, Imogene Coca, Carl Reiner and Howard Morris, debuted on NBC-TV.

In 1964, Cassius Clay (later Muhammad Ali) became world heavyweight boxing champion by defeating Sonny Liston in Miami Beach.

In 1970, Russian-born American painter Mark Rothko died in New York, a suicide, at age 66.

In 1986, President Ferdinand Marcos fled the Philippines after 20 years of rule in the wake of a tainted election; Corazon Aquino assumed the presidency.

In 1991, during the Persian Gulf War, 28 Americans were killed when an Iraqi Scud missile hit a U.S. barracks in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia.

Ten years ago: Former NBA star Jayson Williams was charged with manslaughter in the shooting death of Costas "Gus" Christofi, a limousine driver at Williams' estate in Alexandria Township, N.J. (A jury convicted Williams in 2004 of trying to cover up the slaying; it acquitted Williams of aggravated manslaughter but deadlocked on a lesser charge of reckless manslaughter.)

Five years ago: A female suicide bomber triggered a ball bearing-packed charge, killing at least 41 people at a mostly Shiite college in Baghdad. In Detroit, Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan stressed religious unity during what was billed as his final major speech, saying the world was at war because Christians and Muslims were divided. "The Departed" won best picture at the Academy Awards; its director, Martin Scorsese, won an Oscar on his sixth nomination.

One year ago: Republicans in the Wisconsin Assembly took the first significant action on their plan to strip collective bargaining rights from most public workers, abruptly passing the measure in the small hours before sleep-deprived Democrats realized what was happening. (The vote sent the bill on to the Wisconsin Senate, where minority Democrats had fled to Illinois to prevent a vote.) The Obama White House broke decades of tradition, naming Jeremy Bernard the first man to ever serve as social secretary in the female-dominated East Wing. Suze Rotolo, artist and girlfriend of singer Bob Dylan, who was his lyrical muse when he came to prominence in the early 1960s, died in New York at age 67.

Today's Birthdays: Country singer Ralph Stanley is 85. Actor Tom Courtenay is 75. CBS newsman Bob Schieffer is 75. Actress Diane Baker is 74. Actress Karen Grassle is 70. Humorist Jack Handey is 63. Movie director Neil Jordan is 62. Rock musician Dennis Diken (The Smithereens) is 55. Rock singer-musician Mike Peters (The Alarm) is 53. Actress Veronica Webb is 47. Actor Alexis Denisof is 46. Actress Tea Leoni is 46. Comedian Carrot Top is 45. Actress Lesley Boone is 44. Actor Sean Astin is 41. Singer Daniel Powter is 41. Latin singer Julio Iglesias Jr. is 39. Rhythm-and-blues singer Justin Jeffre is 39. Rock musician Richard Liles is 39. Actor Anson Mount is 39. Comedian-actress Chelsea Handler is 37. Actress Rashida Jones is 36. Actor Justin Berfield is 26. Actors Oliver and James Phelps ("Harry Potter" movies) are 26. Rock musician Erik Haager (Carolina Liar) is 25.

Thought for Today: "Hero-worship is strongest where there is least regard for human freedom." - Herbert Spencer, British philosopher (1820-1903).



Gossip ruins a healthy work environment

Hearing is Believing?

My friend David manages an organization in the public service field overseeing a staff of five or so. For the most part they are good workers—they come in on time, do their work, try to learn new things, and are courteous to the organization's clients.

One thing drives David crazy, though. They gossip. They gossip about clients, they gossip about townspeople, they even gossip about each other when one is not around. David is aware that this does not contribute to a healthy work environment, but attempts to rein it in been fruitless.

He told me this story from a few years ago:

Naomi was a high school student that worked in the office doing menial tasks — filing, putting things away, light cleaning. She was a good worker but always seemed to be fearful of David. She did her work, so it didn't bother him — he thought maybe Naomi had an overbearing father.

He hired Ruth as a new staff member. He was pleased to have her. She was friendly—important since she was the first one to come into contact with clients. She was smart. She was bilingual. And she had a sense of humor—something that seemed to be lacking among the other staff members.

One day Ruth came to David, inquiring if he was mad at her. He told her wasn't and asked why. She didn't say anything, but David surmised that one of the others had told her he was. When asked, Ruth admitted that was so. David was chagrined, as once again the office gossip—totally unfounded—had almost damaged a good working relationship.

A few days later, Ruth came to him, saying she had asked Naomi, "Have you ever seen David really angry?"

Naomi replied, "No, but they tell me he gets that way!"

Ruth continued, "How long have you worked here?"

"About a year."

"You've worked here a YEAR and haven't seen this anger 'they' talk about?"

"No, but I hear it happens."

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"Tell you what, Naomi," Ruth told her, "How about you and me judge David by what we see and not what we hear?"

"So THAT'S it!" David exclaimed. "I wondered what happened! Yesterday I came in and greeted Naomi like I always do—just said 'hi'—and she was so friendly she was almost goofy!"

David profusely thanked Ruth for her discernment and wisdom, and wished he could clone her to replace all the staff.

Leftover from last week

Ever notice how "funeral" begins with "fun"?

Canadian hospitality

I was in Canadian a few days ago where it was my good fortune to meet a Panhandle legend — Malouf Abraham. We got to chat for about a half hour and regaled me with story after story. He also told me that The Citadelle, Canadian's art gallery founded and funded by the Abrahams, had recently acquired a new piece.

I didn't get to see The Citadelle as it was closed that day, but I did get to the local museum. I had been a few years ago and was not much impressed, but it has been remodeled, and WOW! Very bright and open, with interesting exhibits. Most historical museums in this area have a lot of the same things — saddles, brands, butter churns, et cetera — but often there is one item or two

that are really different. This was no exception. One was a skeleton (a replica, one hopes) in a glass-faced coffin. Another was a record—and old 78 single designed to play on a Victrola. The record itself was not unusual, but the name of the artist was (see photo below).

I don't know that I've ever heard of this man and his band, but I think I know why!

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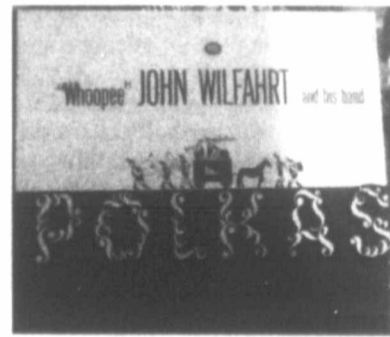
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Movin', Movin', Movin'

I have mentioned that the First Methodist Church has temporarily moved its offices across the street into the former White House Lumber building. They are trying to come with a name for the building and have rejected "White Church Offices", "Lumbering Methodists", "Wood 'n' Wesleyans" and a few others. Jan Haynes suggested simply "The Methodist House," which would be shortened to "The Meth House."

Pastor Nick Matthews commented that Thomas Coke was the first Methodist bishop, and the building could be named in his honor... or perhaps a combination of the two: "The Meth and Coke House." (I told them it would confirm what Baptists had always believed about Methodists!)

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Putting some unity back in community

We're being told by today's High Priests of Conventional Wisdom that everyone and everything in our economic cosmos necessarily revolves around one dazzling star: the corporation.

This heavenly institution, the HPCW explain, has such financial and political mass that it is the optimal force for organizing and directing our society's economic affairs, including the terms of employment and production. While other forces are in play (workers, consumers, the environment, communities and so forth), they are subordinate to the superior gravitational pull of the corporate order. Profits, executive equanimity and a healthy Wall Street pulse rate are naturally the economy's foremost concerns.

How nice. For the wealthy few. Not

nice for the rest of us, though. We're presently seeing the effect of this enthronement of self-serving corporate elites. Millions of Americans are out of work, underemployed and tumbling from the middle class down toward poverty. Yet excessively paid and pampered CEOs (recently rebranded as "job creators" by fawning GOP politicians) are idly sitting on some \$2 trillion in cash, refusing to put that enormous pile of money to work on job creation.

The Powers That Be keep us tethered to this unjust system of pluto-



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cratic rule only by constantly ballyhooing it as a divine perpetual wealth machine that showers manna on America. Any tampering with the hierarchical control of the finely tuned machinery of trickle-down corporate capitalism, they warn, will cause a collapse and crush American prosperity.

Ha! Prosperity for whom? The corporate order itself has come crashing down on the prosperity of America's workaday majority — and the people are no longer fooled about the system's "divinity." From the Wisconsin rebellion to the outing of the Koch brothers' efforts to impose their plutocratic regime on us, from the Occupy movement to the spreading grassroots campaign to get corporate cash out of our elections, we

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Sunday in History

Today is Sunday, Feb. 26, the 57th day of 2012. There are 309 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Feb. 26, 1962, after becoming the first American to orbit the Earth, astronaut John Glenn told a joint meeting of Congress, "Exploration and the pursuit of knowledge have always paid dividends in the long run."

On this date:

In 1815, Napoleon Bonaparte escaped from exile on the Island of Elba.

In 1861, Vassar College in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., received its initial funding from its namesake, businessman Matthew Vassar.

In 1870, an experimental air-driven subway, the Beach Pneumatic Transit, opened in New York City for public demonstrations.

In 1919, President Woodrow Wilson signed a measure establishing Grand Canyon National Park in Arizona.

In 1929, President Calvin Coolidge signed a measure establishing Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming.

In 1940, the United States Air Defense Command was created.

In 1942, "How Green Was My Valley" won the Academy Award for Best Picture of 1941, beating out nine other films, including "The Maltese Falcon" and "Citizen Kane."

In 1952, Prime Minister Winston Churchill announced that Britain had developed its own atomic bomb.

In 1970, National Public Radio was incorporated.

In 1987, the Tower Commission, which had probed the Iran-Contra affair, issued its report, which rebuked President Ronald Reagan for failing to control his national security staff.

In 1992, Armenian forces attacked the village of Khodzhal, resulting in the deaths of 613 Azerbaijanis, according to Azerbaijani authorities. (Armenian forces did not deny the attack, but have said the death toll is exaggerated.)

In 1993, a bomb built by Islamic extremists exploded in the parking garage of New York's World Trade Center, killing six people and injuring more than 1,000 others.

Ten years ago: Former Enron chief executive Jeffrey Skilling, at times combative, insisted during a Senate hearing that he knew nothing about manipulation of company books and denied misleading Congress as alleged by some lawmakers and Enron officials. Pharmacist Robert R. Courtney pleaded guilty in Kansas City, Mo., to watering down chemotherapy drugs. (Courtney was later sentenced to 30 years in prison.) Gunmen killed 11 minority Shiite Muslims praying in a mosque in Pakistan.

Five years ago: Iraq's Shiite vice president, Adel Abdul-Mahdi, narrowly escaped death as a blast ripped through a government meeting hall just hours after it had been searched by U.S. teams with bomb-sniffing dogs; at least 10 people were killed. The Iraqi Cabinet approved draft legislation to manage the country's vast oil industry and divide its wealth among the population.

One year ago: In a statement, President Barack Obama said Moammar Gadhafi had lost his legitimacy to rule and urged the Libyan leader to leave power immediately. Space shuttle Discovery arrived at the International Space Station, making its final visit before being parked at a museum.

Today's Birthdays: Singer Fats Domino is 84. Country-rock musician Paul Cotton (Poco) is 69. Actor-director Bill Duke is 69. Singer Mitch Ryder is 67. Rock musician Jonathan Cain (Journey) is 62. Singer Michael Bolton is 59. Actor Greg Germann is 54. Former Democratic National Chairman Tim Kaine is 54. Bandleader John McDaniel is 51. Actress Jennifer Grant is 46. Rock musician Tim Commerford (Audioslave) is 44. Singer Erykah Badu is 41. Rhythm-and-blues singer Rico Wade (Society of Soul) is 40. Olympic gold medal swimmer Jenny Thompson is 39. Rhythm-and-blues singer Kyle Norman (Jagged Edge) is 37. Actor Greg Kinnear is 35. Rock musician Chris Culos (O.A.R.) is 33. Rhythm-and-blues singer Corinne Bailey Rae is 33. Country singer Rodney Hayden is 32. Actress Taylor Dooley is 19.

Thought for Today: "The wisdom of the wise, and the experience of ages, may be preserved by quotation." - Isaac D'Israeli, English author (1766-1848).

Hightower

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commoners have finally peeked behind the curtain to see the fraud being perpetrated by the wizards of wealth inequality.

Yet, tightly clutching their wealth, the wizards retort that the only alternative is the hellish horror of government control, screeching "socialist" at all critics to scare off any real change.

But wait. The choices for our country's rising forces of economic and political democracy are not limited to corporate or government control. There's another, much better way of organizing America's economic strength: The Cooperative Way.

Cooperatives can (and do) provide a deeply democratic, locally controlled, highly productive, efficient percolate up capitalism. Co-ops are wholly in step with the values, character, spirit and history of the American people.

While socialism has been cast by the corporatists as a destroyer of our sainted free-enterprise system, the cooperative approach is not an -ism at all, but a democratic structure that literally frees the enterprise of the great majority of Americans -- which is why the co-op movement is fast spreading throughout our country.

While it's rarely mentioned by the conventional media, completely missing in the political discourse,

not considered by economic planners and chambers of commerce and not known by most of the public, there are 30,000 cooperatives in America (with 73,000 places of business). A 2009 survey by the University of Wisconsin's Center for Cooperatives (www.uwcc.wisc.edu) found that these energetic enterprises have 130 million members, registering \$653 billion in sales and employing more than 2 million people.

There are several types of co-ops, including those owned by workers (there are 11,000 of these, with 13 million worker-owners). Also, there are cooperatives owned by consumers, producers, local businesses, artists and communities, as well as hybrids of those categories. They function in every sector of our economy -- manufacturing, health care, transportation, banking, farming and food, media, massage, child care, funeral services, interpreting and translating services, advertising, home building, high tech, engineering, energy ... and even a strip club in San Francisco.

Co-op businesses do everything that a corporation can do, but with a democratic structure, an equitable sharing of income and a commitment to the common good of the community and future generations.

You might be surprised to learn

that such national brand names as ACE Hardware, Best Western Hotels, Organic Valley, REI and True Value Hardware are organized as co-ops, rather than as corporations. The strength of the movement, however, is in the limitless number of local cooperatives flowering all across the country. From Union Cab of Madison (<http://www.unioncab.com/>) to KOOP Radio in Austin (<http://www.koop.org/>), from Evergreen Cooperatives in Cleveland (www.evergreencoop.com) to Circle Pines Center in Michigan (www.circlepinescenter.org), citizen co-ops are highly prized for their unique personalities, human scale, democratic values and community focus.

Cooperatives are a big, structural reform that ordinary Americans can implement right where they live, giving small groups a pragmatic and effective way to push back against the arrogance and avarice of the centralized, hierarchical corporate model. Not only do co-ops work economically, they also make people important again, offering real democratic participation and putting some "unity" back in "community."

Jim Hightower is a nationally syndicated columnist.

Guthrie

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is waning. It's sliding off and El Nino is coming up. With the El Nino weather patterns, that means the jet stream moves, which means all the (inclement weather) comes across the Texas Panhandle and Tornado Alley.

"Warning and knowledge of conditions are the things that save lives, literally, and you can't stress enough how important a system like this one is that can give you a warning when you need it," he added.

Those interested can

sign up for the system from the city of Pampa's website, www.cityofpampa.org. In the middle of the city's front page, there is a link for "Resolve to be Ready" registration, which will then direct you to a series of pages asking for notification preferences and contact information.

Registrants' privacy information is valued, Courtney said, and the system will never contact people for anything other than what they sign up for. In addition to

emergency alerts, Pampa residents have the option to sign up for notifications from the Pampa Police Department, Lovett Memorial Library and Pampa Parks and Recreation.

First and foremost, though, Courtney urged Pampans to register for emergency notifications heading into the severe weather season.

"It may save a life," Courtney said. "It may mean you leave the trailer house earlier than you were going to. It may

mean you're not waiting for the sirens to take action, because if you're waiting for the sirens, it's probably too late."

Sausage

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fund, which we award to seniors graduating this year," said John Perez of the Knights of Columbus.

The group plans to award two scholarships this spring.



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Business

Edward Jones ranked by Fortune

Financial-services firm Edward Jones ranked No. 5 on Fortune magazine's "100 Best Companies to Work For 2012" list in its 13th appearance on the prestigious list, according to Duane Harp, Tom Reynolds, and Ben Watson, Financial Advisors in Pampa.

Edward Jones also ranked No. 3 for large-sized companies and No. 2 for work-life balance for associates who feel "encouraged to balance their work and personal life." The firm was the highest ranking financial-services firm on the list.

Edward Jones' 13 Fortune rankings also include top 10 finishes for nine years and consecutive No. 1 rankings in 2002 and 2003 and consecutive No. 2 rankings in 2009 and 2010.

Currently, Edward Jones has 1,515 positions available throughout the country, mostly for financial advisor and branch office administrator. Each Edward Jones branch office includes one financial advisor and one branch office administrator who work one-on-one with clients in the communities where those clients live.

To pick the 100 Best Companies to Work For, Fortune partners with the Great Place to Work Institute to conduct the most extensive employee survey in corporate America. A total of 280 companies participated in this year's survey. Two-thirds of a company's score is based on the results of the institute's Trust Index survey, which is sent to a random sample of employees from each company. The survey asks questions related to their attitudes about management's credibility, job satisfaction, and camaraderie.

The other third of the scoring is based on the company's responses to the institute's Culture Audit, which includes detailed questions about pay and benefit programs and a series of open-ended questions about hiring practices, internal communications, training, recognition programs and diversity efforts.

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Edward Jones, which ranked No. 5 on Fortune magazine's "100 Best Companies to Work For" in 2012, is headquartered in St. Louis. There are three Edward Jones financial advisors in Pampa, located at 1921 N. Hobart, 1540 N. Hobart and 408 W. Kingsmill, Suite 197A.

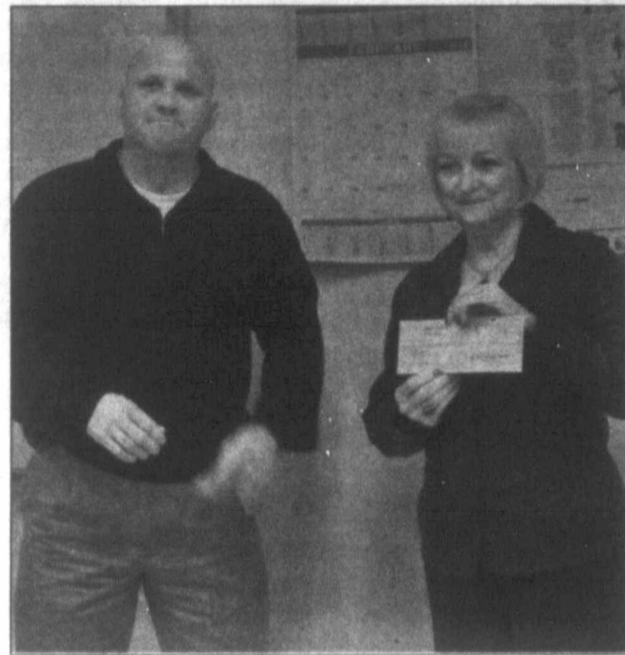
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CHECK THIS OUT



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Community service manager Dru Chidester (bottom photo, left) and the employees of the Pampa Xcel service center present the United Way's Katrina Bigham with checks for the United Way campaign. Employees pledged \$7,633 last fall, which triggered a dollar-for-dollar match from the Xcel Energy Foundation. The check presented is for \$15,317.



Record patronage for Land Bank

AMARILLO — Directors for Panhandle-Plains Land Bank announced a record cash patronage for 2012. This year, the association will return \$3.8 million in cash payments to its stockholders. Based on interest paid during 2011; the amount is approved by the board following an end-of-year financial review of the association.

The cash distribution is the largest paid by Panhandle-Plains in its eight year history of the patronage program. Owned by its member-borrowers, Panhandle-Plains Land Bank annually returns a portion of the interest paid by borrowers.

"We are proud the association is in a position to make this level of distribution to our customers," said Chairman Steve Rader. "With this \$3.8 million, Panhandle-Plains Land Bank has put more than \$20.5 million back in our customer's hands since 2005. At a time when our area is struggling with drought and much economic uncertainty, our association is proud to be able to benefit our customers in such a significant way,"

explained Rader. Annual payments have been made under the patronage program since 2005. Including 2012, the association has returned an average of 18 cents of every 1 dollar paid in interest.

Association CEO Gregg Lloyd described this year's payment another way. "A strong patronage reflects the association's financial strength. We cannot make this level of cash payment without the support of area producers and their excellent repayment history." He further explained the payment's cash aspect, "no reserves are necessary for the association, no retained earnings to be paid later, it's 100% cash in hand."

Payments will be made at the association's annual stockholder's meetings in April. More information will be provided to stockholders in the near future. Panhandle-Plains Land Bank provides long-term credit to farmers, ranchers, and agribusiness in 17 counties of the Panhandle and South Plains. Offices are located in Amarillo, Pampa, Perryton, and Plainview.

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Weekly Menus

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MONDAY, Feb. 27
Honey rib-b-que on a bun or chicken nuggets, green beans, sliced carrots, mixed fruit
Breakfast- French toast sticks, syrup

TUESDAY, Feb. 28
Ravioli or macaroni & cheese, corn, western beans, pears, garlic toast
Breakfast- Biscuit, gravy

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 29
Breakfast for Lunch or steak fingers, potato rounds, rosie applesauce, biscuit
Breakfast- Biscuit, sausage patty

THURSDAY, Mar. 1,
Philly steak sandwich or pizza, English peas, tossed salad, mandarin oranges
Breakfast- Pancake 'n' sausage on a stick, syrup

FRIDAY, Mar. 2,
Bean & cheese burrito or hot dog, french fries, tossed salad, fresh fruit, cookie, Spanish rice
Breakfast- Cereal, toast

Pampa Meals on Wheels

MONDAY, Feb. 27
Beef stroganoff, lima beans, broccoli/carrots/cauliflower, peaches

TUESDAY, Feb. 28
B.b.q. sandwiches, potatoes salad, baked beans, pineapple

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 29
Meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, peas, pears

THURSDAY, March 1,
Stew, cornbread, applesauce

FRIDAY, March 2,
Tuna casserole, pickled beets, brussels sprouts, apricots

Pampa Senior Citizens Center

MONDAY, Feb. 27
Chicken fried steak or chicken pot pie, mashed potatoes, spinach, beets, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-o, German chocolate cake, banana pudding, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread

TUESDAY, Feb. 28
Swiss steak or chicken breast/rice, tater tots, fried squash, peas, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-o, carrot cake, chocolate icebox pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 29
Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, carrots, green beans, butter beans slaw, tossed salad, Jell-o, black forest cake, lemon pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread

THURSDAY, March 1,
Chicken strips or meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, buttered corn, Scandinavian blend, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-o, marble cake, butterscotch pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread

FRIDAY, March 2,
Cod fish file/hushpuppies or spaghetti & meatballs, potato wedges, broccoli casserole, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-o, brownies, tapioca cup, fruit cup, garlic breadstick, hot roll, cornbread

Southside Senior Citizens Center

TUESDAY, Feb. 28
Lasagna, macaroni & cheese, pea salad, sliced tomatoes & onions, french bread, tea, dessert

CLUB NEWS

Heritage Art Club

Heritage Art Club, met Monday, Feb. 6 at the Pampa Citizens Center. The hostess for the meeting was Catrina Howell.

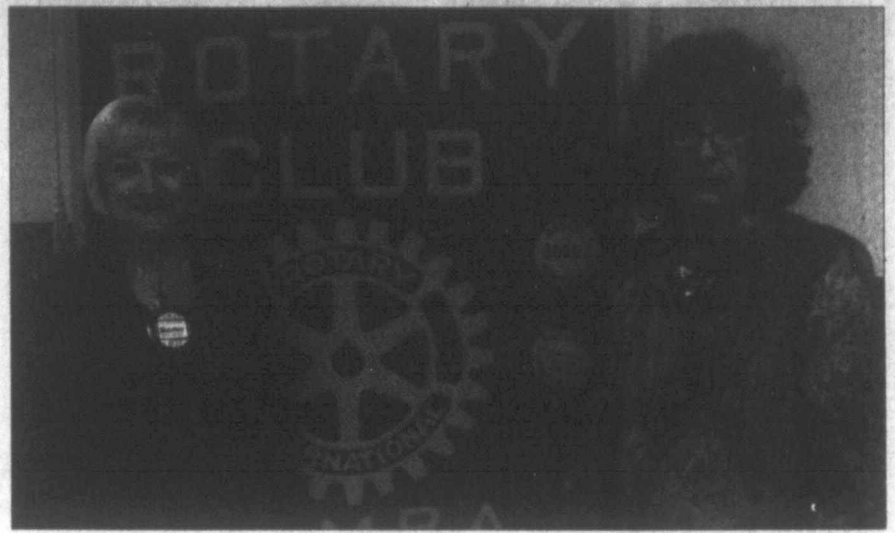
The club members discussed possible ways to get involved in the restoration of the train depot and making it an active place for the arts here in Pampa.

Kay Crouch presented a class on watercolor snow scenes.

The club's next meeting will be held at 9:30 a.m. Monday, March 5 at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center.

The program will be "Rockin' Out! Painting with acrylics on rocks," taught by Roxanna Hendricks.

Rotary Club



staff photo by Bernie Frazier

Ann Davidson (right), curator of the White Deer Land Museum, was the guest speaker at a recent meeting of the Pampa Rotary Club. Ann is welcomed by club member Katrina Bigham.

Skaggs named Distinguished Alumnus at Tech

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech University's College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources recognized six distinguished alumni on Monday (Feb. 20)

during its 32nd annual Distinguished & Young Alumni Awards reception and dinner. Among the recipients was Dr. Chris L. Skaggs, associate dean for Student

Development for the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences at Texas A&M University. A native of Pampa, Texas, Skaggs graduated from Texas Tech University with a bachelor's degree in both agricultural education and animal science in 1982. He then went on to receive a master's degree in animal science from Kansas State University in 1984, and his doctorate in animal science from Iowa State University in 1992.

The Distinguished & Young Alumni Awards were established to recognize some of the most outstanding alumni of Texas Tech University's College of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources (CASNR). The purpose of these programs is to recognize and honor CASNR alumni who have made significant contributions to society and whose accomplishments and careers have brought distinction to the college and to the professions associated with agriculture and natural resources.

One alumnus from each of the college's departments is selected to receive the awards. The other recipients this year

were Dean Hawkins, who received a bachelor's degree in animal science in 1984 and a master's degree in animal breeding in 1986; Lany Richardson, who received a bachelor's degree in agronomy in 1981; Dewey Shroyer, who received a bachelor's degree in 1966 and a master's degree in 1973, both in park administration; Kirk Thomas, who received a bachelor's degree in agricultural education in 1981; and David Wester, who received a master's degree in 1979 and a doctorate in 1984, both in range science.

Dr. Ginger Light, who received her doctorate in agronomy from Texas Tech in 1999, was also recognized as the college's second recipient of the Young Alumna Award. This award is presented in conjunction with the distinguished alumni awards. It is given to an individual who graduated from the college within the last 15 years and has attained a high level of professional accomplishment and standards of integrity and character to positively reflect and enhance the prestige of the college and the industries of agriculture and natural resources.

BUNDLES OF JOY



Lexi Nicole Bolch

Lexi Bolch born Feb. 9

Matt Bolch and Shayla Winegeart of Pampa announce the arrival of a daughter, Lexi Nicole Bolch, born February 9, 2012 in Amarillo, Tx. She weighed 7 lbs, 14 oz, and was 20 in. long. Lexi is welcomed by her sisters Natalie Silva, Kenzie Silva and Jasmine Bolch.

Also welcoming Lexi are her grandparents Gary and Vicki Bolch, Johnny and Kim Winegeart, Pam Spencer and Henry Spencer. Her great grandparents are Travis and Norma Bolch, Gene and Von Winegeart, and the late Alvin McGill.

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There is no limit on the number of entries. All contest entries must be received in our office or be postmarked by 3 p.m. Friday, March 2, 2012.

Entry Form

Please attach the following form to your photos. Photos submitted without this information will not be considered. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you wish your photos returned. Mail completed form and photos to Photography Contest, The Pampa News, 403 W. Atchison, Pampa, TX 79065.

Name _____

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The names of people in the photo (if any) from left to right, front row to back row _____

Description of photo _____

Submission by email: Send the form information with the photo(s) attached to rprbble@thepampanews.com. Photos should be sent in high resolution, .jpg format.

Contest rules—Each photo submitted to the contest must be taken by the person submitting it and must have been taken since Jan. 1, 2011. The photos cannot have appeared previously in any other publication or contest. The Pampa News will publish all the winners, and many of the other submissions in our annual Pride issue in March.



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Thompson throws no-no; Pampa splits Friday games

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Last June, junior James Thompson was injured in a wreck and missed competing in Babe Ruth League with his teammates. Thursday, in his return to the mound against the Dalhart Wolves, Thompson pitched a game he won't forget.

Thompson got Marcus Trajillo to ground into a double play to complete a no-hitter in an 18-0 victory at Harvester Field in the Cavalier Classic.

"It was really good to have my first outing go like that," Thompson said.

Head coach Caleb Snelgrooves said he couldn't be happier for his pitcher.

"James has put in some time and has really worked hard," Snelgrooves said. "He put in work in the offseason and it showed. He's playing pretty well."

Thompson (1-1) only threw 54 pitches in five innings. The junior struck out eight and only walked two.

"I used as few pitches as I could to get our guys back in to hit," Thompson said.

Senior catcher Jared Lusk said Thompson pitched a great game.

"He threw excellent," Lusk said. "He hit his spots and everything. I couldn't ask for anything better."

After Thompson pitched a scoreless first, Pampa got on the board. Junior Chris Howard led off with a walk and then stole second. Thompson moved him to third on a flyout. Howard scored on a sacrifice bunt by Lusk. Junior Taylor Woods, who courtesy ran for Lusk, scored on an errant throw while stealing third. Senior Collin Killgo scored on a sacrifice fly by junior Jordan Lemons.

Snelgrooves said everyone hit the ball well.

"Early in the scrimmages we hadn't seen a lot of live pitching," Snelgrooves said. "It's starting to pay off. Hats off to our hitters today."

Also key to Pampa's offense was its base running. The Harvesters stole 14 bases. Howard, Woods, seniors Devin Coleman and Trace Carter each stole three. Senior Cole Engle, who returned from basketball, stole two.

Pampa scored every inning including eight in the bottom of the fourth. The game was called in the fifth because of the mercy rule.

The Harvesters (2-1) run-ruled Sanford-Fritch 16-5 after five innings on Friday. Pampa broke the game open in the bottom of the second. With one out, Woods singled to left and then stole second. Fritch's catcher, Tate Murray, overthrew second baseman Ryan Melton, and Woods advanced to third. Senior Trace Carter drove him in with a single. Engle followed with a RBI double. Thompson drove in Engle with a single. Lusk hit the Harvesters' first home run of the season to left.

"Jared is hitting the ball well," Snelgrooves said.

Just like the season opener, Pampa put up runs in every inning. Sophomore Ethan Hunt started and held Fritch to three runs (two earned) on three hits, walked two and struck out eight in four innings. Sophomore Ryan Powell pitched the final inning giving up two runs on one hit.

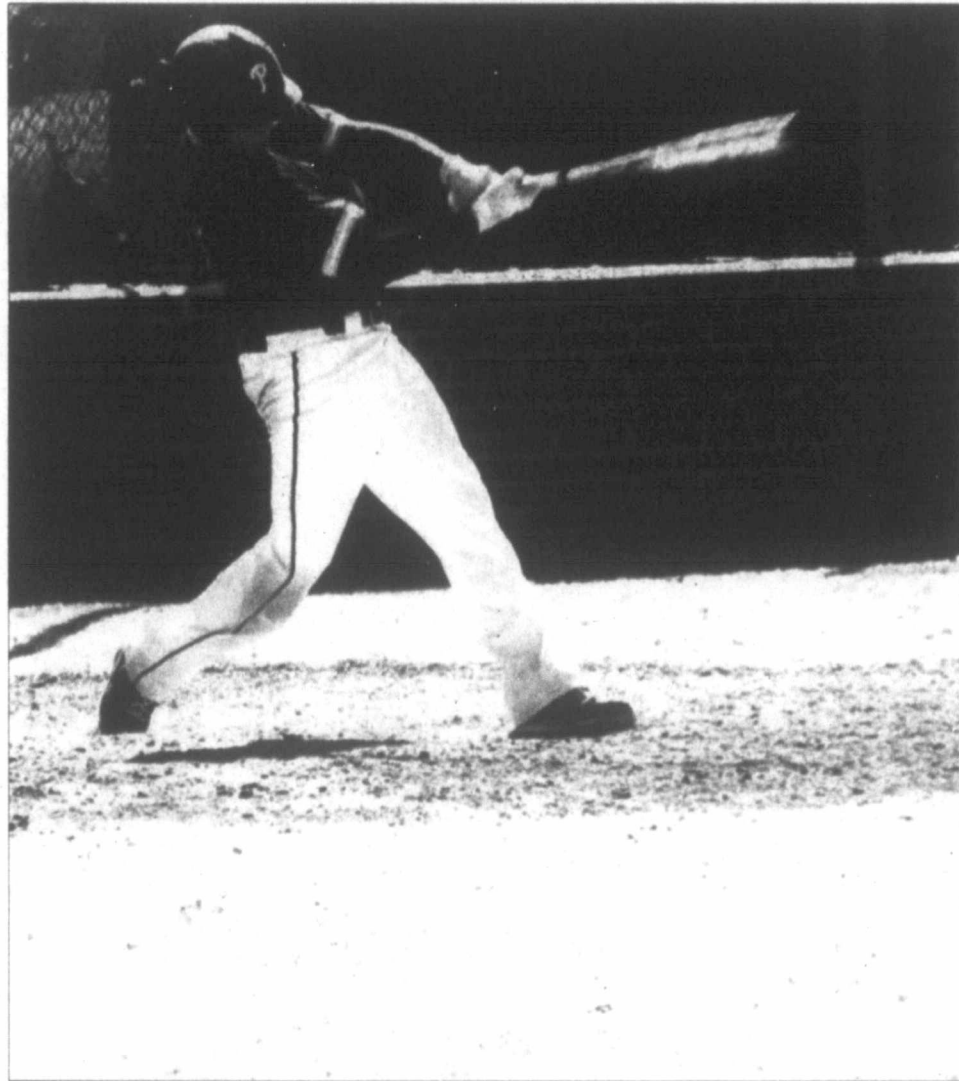
Pampa closed Friday with a 7-6 loss to Amarillo San Jacinto. The Harvesters struggled with fielding, recording seven errors. Engle said some of those were due to miscommunication.

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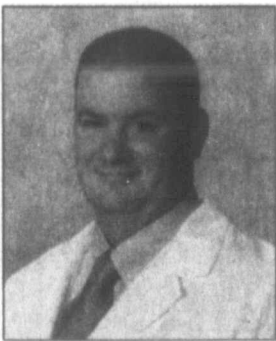
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Junior Taylor Woods slides into second for a stolen base against Sanford-Fritch Friday. Woods has stole six bases in the first three games.



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Junior Jordan Lemons hits a grounder against Sanford-Fritch. Lemons has recorded four RBI in the first three games. The Harvesters beat Sanford-Fritch 16-5.



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Senior Collin Killgo (left), senior Zach Graves and senior Devin Coleman go after a flyball. Graves didn't make the catch. Fielding errors were key to Pampa's loss to Amarillo San Jacinto.

SWIFT ELIMINATION

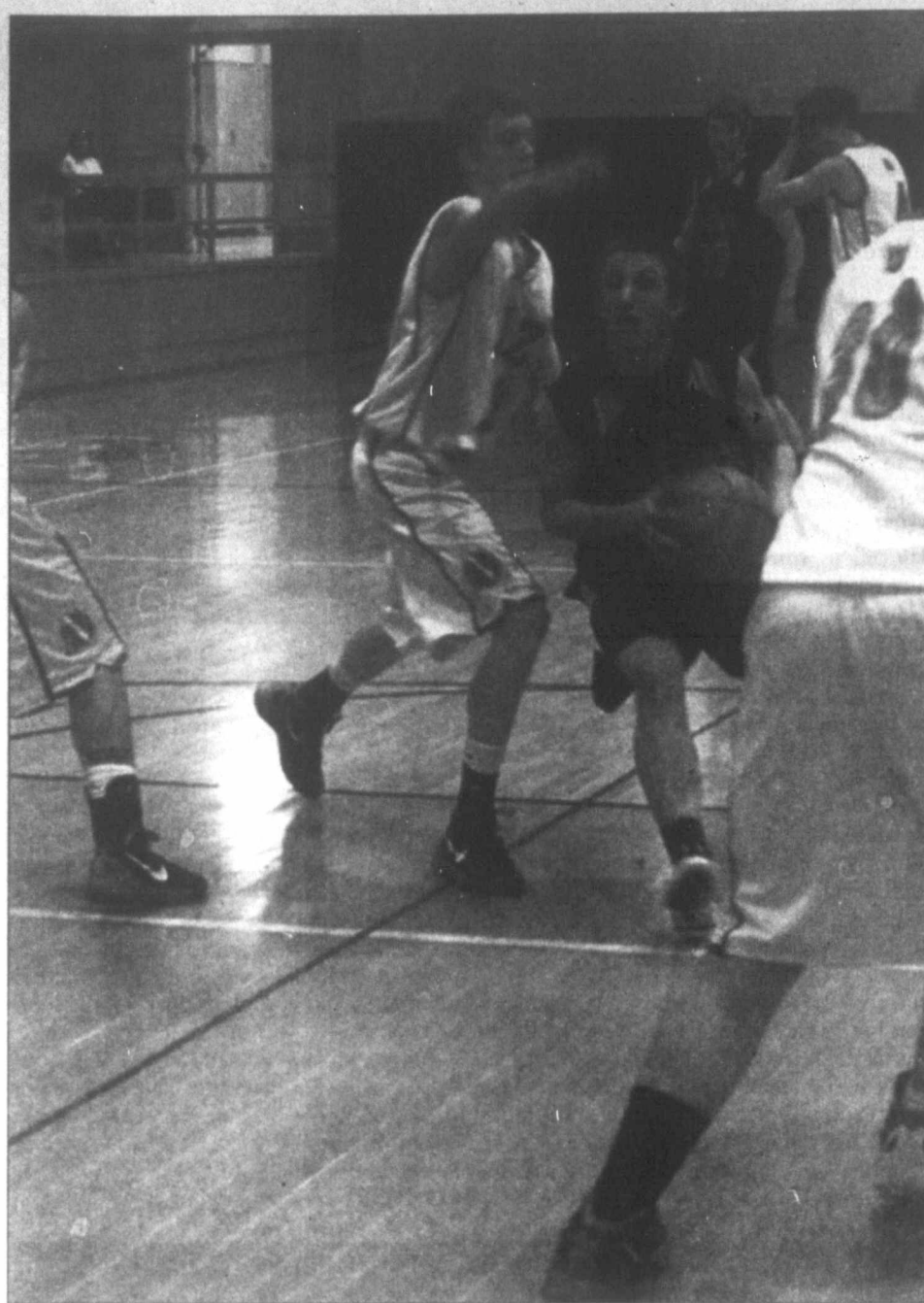


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Junior Zach Sargent drives as a Nazareth defender tries to knock the ball out. McLean lost 63-39 in the area round at Caprock High School.

Harvesters

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"I've only been to one practice and don't know some of the guys out there," Engle said. "No one was calling for the ball. Maybe I need to go get those balls."

The Harvesters struck early as their 1-3 hitters recorded doubles in the bottom of the first. Pampa added four in the second.

Thompson hit a two-RBI double scoring Howard and Engle. Killgo followed with a two-RBI single scoring Thompson and Woods.

San Jacinto cut into Pampa's lead in the third and fourth innings. Michael Brush scored on an error by Killgo, who couldn't come down with a pop-up in the third. Gaylen Clarke scored on a throwing error by Lusk.

In the fourth, junior Tyler Powell couldn't come up with a grounder, allowing Evan Ruiz to score.

Killgo started for Pampa and pitched five innings in a no-decision. The senior left with Pampa leading 6-3 heading into the sixth.

Lemons relieved Killgo and didn't last long, as he walked the only batter he faced. Thompson, who pitched in Thursday's opener, closed out the game.

Things started well for Thompson as he got the first two batters out. Opposing starting pitcher Brandon O'Grady walked.

Ryan wasn't able to catch a pop-up in the infield that allowed Merrick Tipps to score, cutting Pampa's lead to one. Lemons made the crucial error as he airmailed a throw to Killgo and the ball went over the fence. O'Grady scored and Clarke scored as a result of the error.

The Harvesters tried to rally with two outs in the bottom of the sixth. Engle made O'Grady labor through seven pitches and got a single. Thompson followed and singled on the eighth pitch of the at-bat and advanced Engle to third. Lusk reached on catcher interference to load the bases. Killgo worked the count to full and fouled off three straight pitches. The senior wasn't able to bring in the tying or game-winning run as he missed a high pitch. Killgo displayed his frustration by hitting the ground with his bat and throwing it down, while San Jacinto celebrated. Snelgrooves said the loss will help his team.

"I told my team that not everything that happens in life is going to be good," Snelgrooves said. "We just have to swallow this one and move forward."

The Harvesters will face Palo Duro for the third-place game 11 a.m. today.

SPORTS CALENDAR

- Monday, February 27**
- PHS JV Boys and Girls Soccer at Canyon, games start at 4:30 p.m., Harvester Field
 - PHS JV Baseball vs. Palo Duro 4:30 p.m. Harvester Field
 - PHS girls golf Shamrock Tournament
- Tuesday, February 28**
- PHS Varsity Boys and Girls Soccer vs. Borger, games start at 5 p.m., Harvester Field
 - PHS Varsity and junior varsity softball vs. Amarillo. Games start at 4 p.m., Lady Harvester Field
- Wednesday, February 29**
- Hidden Hills Senior Scramble, 8 a.m.

- Thursday, March 1**
- PHS Varsity Baseball Burk Burnett Tournament
 - Recreational Volleyball, games start at 7 p.m., Dennis Cavalier Activity Center
 - PHS JV Baseball Childress Tournament
 - PHS Varsity Softball Little Elm Tournament
 - PHS JV Tennis Amarillo Tournament
- Friday, March 2**
- PHS Varsity Baseball Burk Burnett Tournament
 - PHS JV Baseball Childress Tournament
 - PHS Varsity Softball Little Elm Tournament
 - PHS JV Softball Dumas Tournament
 - PHS Varsity Tennis Team Regionals at Wichita Falls
- Saturday, March 3**
- PHS Varsity Baseball Burk Burnett Tournament
 - PHS JV Baseball Childress Tournament
 - PHS Varsity Softball Little Elm Tournament
 - PHS JV Softball Dumas Tournament
 - PHS Varsity Tennis Team Regionals at Wichita Falls
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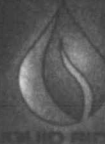
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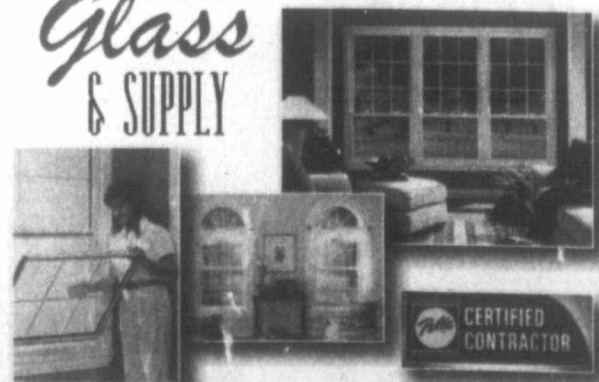
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WEEKLY SCOREBOARD

Varsity Girls Basketball

FRIDAY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	Final
Lazbuddie	5	3	16	16	40
McLean	17	14	10	17	58

LAZBUDDIE FG 3pt FTA FTM TP

A. Townsend	1	0	0	0	2
S. Ramey	7	0	8	4	18
J. Samarron	0	0	0	0	0
A. Mason	0	1	3	2	5
M. Hester	1	2	2	0	8
L. Jesko	1	0	6	3	5
A. Andrade	0	0	0	0	0
K. Galaviz	0	0	0	0	0
A. Weaver	0	0	0	0	0
S. Scott	0	0	0	0	0
J. Estrada	1	0	0	0	2
P. Estrada	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	11	3	19	9	40

MCLEAN FG 3pt FTA FTM TP

M McMordie	0	1	2	1	4
S. Bohlar	2	5	2	2	21
J. Ketcherside	2	0	0	0	4
R. Rodriguez	4	0	18	13	21
C. Webb	0	0	0	0	0
S. Acuna	0	0	0	0	0
A. Russell	2	0	0	0	4
C. Richardson	0	0	0	0	0
J. Montoya	0	0	0	0	0
K. Adair	0	0	0	0	0
K. Richardson	1	0	2	2	4
Totals	11	6	24	18	58

TUESDAY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	Final
Follett	5	5	11	19	40
McLean	13	9	8	11	41

FOLLETT FG 3pt FTA FTM TP

M. Stuart	1	1	4	1	6
C. Al-ag	1	0	2	2	4
N. Kiatkumjorn	0	0	0	0	0
D. Smith	5	0	5	3	13
K. Frazier	0	0	0	0	0
M. Stuart	2	1	6	4	11
J. Wiley	3	0	1	0	6
J. Al-ag	0	0	0	0	0
H. Tyson	0	0	2	0	0
T. Bedell	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	12	2	20	10	40

MCLEAN FG 3pt FTA FTM TP

M McMordie	0	1	2	0	3
S. Bohlar	2	0	0	0	4
J. Ketcherside	1	0	0	0	2
R. Rodriguez	5	0	21	11	21

C. Webb	0	0	0	0	0
S. Acuna	0	0	0	0	0
A. Russell	3	1	4	2	11
J. Montoya	0	0	0	0	0
K. Adair	0	0	0	0	0
K. Richardson	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	11	2	28	13	41

Varsity Boys Basketball

MONDAY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	Final
McLean	8	12	13	11	44
Miami	10	9	8	11	38

MCLEAN FG 3pt FTA FTM TP

T. Patterson	0	0	0	0	0
Z. Sargent	0	0	0	0	0
B. Hambright	1	0	0	0	2
E. Mendoza	0	0	0	0	0
C. LaRoe	2	0	0	0	4
D. Hutchison	1	0	0	0	2
J. Herring	4	4	17	15	35
K. Kinsey	0	0	4	1	1
B. Cooper	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	8	4	21	16	44

MIAMI FG 3pt FTA FTM TP

B. Poage	0	0	0	0	0
C. Drexil	0	0	0	0	0
C. Booze	4	0	0	0	8
B. Roberson	1	0	6	5	7
J. Roberts	1	1	4	3	8
D. Mejia	1	0	6	3	5
J. Mann	0	0	0	0	0
L. Smith	0	0	0	0	0
J. Dougherty	0	0	0	0	0
N. Broeck	5	0	0	0	10
Totals	12	1	16	11	38

TUESDAY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	Final
Lamesa	12	14	14	17	57
Pampa	9	16	15	15	55

LAMESA FG 3pt FTA FTM TP

J. Edwards	2	0	3	1	5
A. Contreras	0	0	0	0	0
K. Hunter	0	0	0	0	0
B. Alexander	6	0	7	2	14
P. Salazar	1	0	0	0	2
K. Moreland	3	1	0	0	9

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Sports

WEEKLY SCOREBOARD

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R. Garza	3	0	2	2	8
E. Canady	0	0	0	0	0
C. Ortiz	0	0	0	0	0
R. Rendon	0	0	0	0	0
V. Enriquez	2	0	4	2	6
T. Lawrence	1	0	0	0	2
D. Lopez	0	0	0	0	0
A. Cox	4	0	4	3	11
D. Hereford	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	22	1	20	10	57
PAMPA	FG	3pt	FTA	FTM	TP
L. Collins	7	2	17	14	34
T. Kennedy	0	0	4	2	2
C. Engle	1	2	3	2	10
R. Miller	0	0	4	0	0
T. Hutto	0	0	0	0	0
L. Harris	0	0	2	1	1
P. Alvey	0	0	0	0	0
J. Cabrales	0	0	0	0	0
T. Powell	0	0	0	0	0
C. Ponce	0	0	0	0	0
J. Cox	0	0	0	0	0
D. Pollard	4	0	0	0	8
Totals	12	4	30	19	55

Varsity Baseball

THURSDAY

TEAM	1	2	3	4	5	
Dalhart	0	0	0	0	0	
Pampa	3	4	3	8	X	
TEAM	R	H	E			
Dalhart	0	0	7			
Pampa	18	10	2			
DALHART BATTER	AB	R	H	RBI	BB SO	
A. Leal	2	0	0	0	0	2
N. Subealdia	2	0	0	0	0	1
C. Baker	2	0	0	0	0	1
S. Wilt	2	0	0	0	0	1
J. Harris	2	0	0	0	0	1
D. Avalos	0	0	0	2	0	0
M. Trajillo	2	0	0	0	0	0
S. Allen	1	0	0	0	0	1
M. Hacker	1	0	0	0	0	1
Totals	14	0	0	2	8	
PAMPA BATTER	AB	R	H	RBI	BB SO	
C. Howard	1	3	0	0	3	0
J. Thompson	3	0	1	1	1	0
J. Lusk	3	0	2	3	0	1
C. Killgo	3	2	2	3	0	0
T. Woods	0	3	0	0	0	0
J. Lemons	3	1	1	2	0	0
E. Hunt	2	0	0	1	2	0
Z. Graves	1	0	0	0	1	0
D. Coleman	1	1	0	0	1	0
T. Carter	4	2	2	1	0	2
C. Engle	2	2	1	2	0	0
T. Powell	0	1	0	0	2	0
R. Powell	0	2	1	0	0	0
B. Eddleman	0	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	23	18	10	13	10	3

DP- Dalhart 2 Pampa 0. LOB- Dalhart 2 Pampa 6. 2B - R. Powell. SB -C. Howard 3; C. Killgo, T. Woods 3, D. Coleman 3, T. Carter 3; C. Engle 2.

DALHART PITCHER

Mitchell McMurray	1	2	6	5	4	0
Michael Hacker	3	8	12	10	6	3

PAMPA PITCHER

James Thompson	5	0	0	0	2	8
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Win - Thompson. Loss - McMurray. Save - None

Hidden Hills

WEDNESDAY

First (62): J. Dorman; O.K. Lee; J. Bridges; M. Ball
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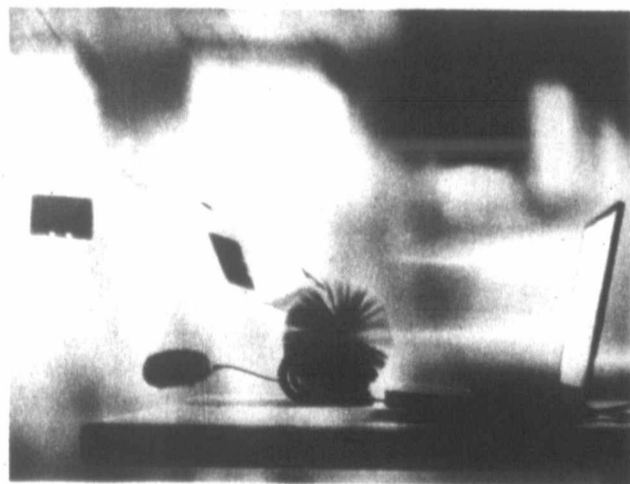
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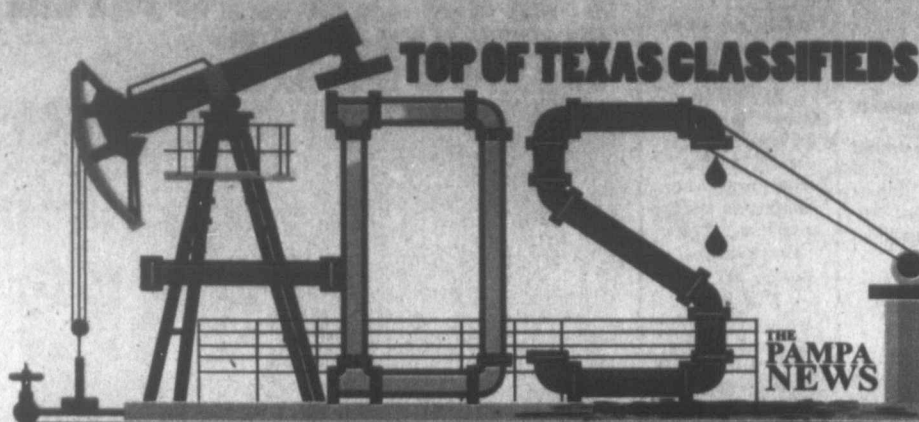
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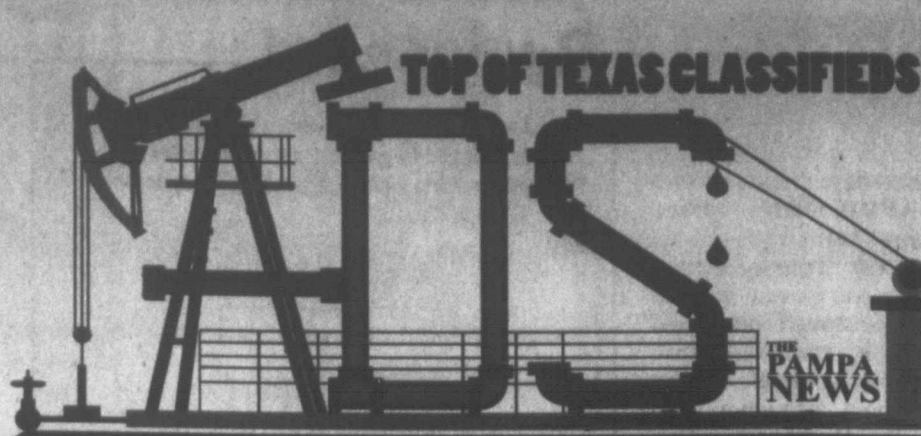
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 Apodaca Brothers Inc. requests to re-zone the following described property from Single Family 3 to Commercial: Lots 15-22, Block 4, Wilcox Addition commonly known as 801 E. Campbell. The applicant proposes to conduct an HVAC business and maintain warehouse plus office space.

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 B-70 Feb 26, Mar 4, 2012

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Pampa will conduct a Public Hearing at 5:00 p.m. on March 12, 2012 at City Hall, 201 W. Foster Street, Pampa, Texas on the 3rd floor in the City Commission Chambers. This will be a public hearing for the purpose of receiving public comments concerning the following request:
 Reyna Castillo requests to re-zone the following described property from Single Family 3 to Commercial: Lots 12-14, Block 4, Wilcox Addition commonly known as 821 E. Campbell. The applicant proposes to allow neighbors to conduct business in an adjacent property.

The Public is encouraged to attend this hearing. Public comments on the proposed zoning change are welcome and will be heard.
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★ ★ ★ sunday horoscope

Note: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Pisces and a Moon in Aries until 6:29 a.m. (PST). After that time, the Moon is in Taurus.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Feb. 26, 2012:

This year you enjoy your daily life much more. In a sense, you become child-like, with every moment and experience seeming new. When you over-analyze, you start to drag. If you are single, a romance becomes very exciting. Take your time getting to know this person. Time will be the true test of this bond. If you are attached, you and your sweetie will strengthen your relationship through travel or taking a class together. Go out as a couple more often. TAURUS helps you live your life well.

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)

★★★★ Be more aware of the expense of continuing as you have been, especially emotionally. You cannot push much harder -- you are human. Tap into your imagination, and choose a relaxing scenario. Make this your day of rest. Tonight: Indulge yourself.

This Week: You swing from facts to ideas. You can visualize a solution.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★ Your spunk might push someone away

who does not have your vitality. Nevertheless, surround yourself with friends and loved ones. Whatever you spontaneously decide to do proves to be a hoot. Be direct with your pals. Tonight: As you like.

This Week: You are on a roll. Be careful not to over-indulge at this moment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Step back and handle a provocative situation. You might not like what is coming down your path. Understanding evolves when you stop and reflect. You come back quickly and feel OK with what has occurred. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

This Week: Not until late Tuesday do you feel like yourself. At that point, you take off.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Zero in on what is important. A family member makes a demand. The issue pertains to your home. Solutions come easily once you start talking. Brainstorm with your immediate circle. The process lightens up once you start to think positively. Tonight: Where the action is.

This Week: Use Monday and Tuesday to zero in on a priority. Friends play a role.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Knowing that you have everyone's attention, what would you like to share? You might be a little shy or short of words. Dig into your imagination. Someone you respect gives you kudos. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

This Week: You will see the direct results of your efforts.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Keep reaching out for someone at a distance. You could be sur-

prised by what this person shares. Your finances might have limited you far more than you originally thought. Be open to positive changes. Tonight: Take off and visit a new spot.

This Week: See what motivates a key person, then come up with a more amenable solution.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ You could be overwhelmed by everything that is going on with a close friend or loved one. You tend to cut people off when you feel that way. Someone close to you lets you know how important you are. He or she has a nice way of indulging you. Tonight: Just relax with a loved one.

This Week: You work with others closely on Monday and Tuesday. Your mind has difficulty landing afterward.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Others come toward you with a big smile. You could feel overwhelmed with so many invitations. You also have a personal matter that is preoccupying your thoughts. Make sure you have some time to yourself. Tonight: Out and about.

This Week: Defer to others. They need to see what happens, and so do you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Spend a relaxing day with family or a close friend. You might enjoy a fun game of cards or another shared pastime. Someone older or a friend who is taciturn plays a role in your plans. Spontaneity works well with the moment. Tonight: Where the action is.

This Week: Work hard Monday and Tuesday. Plan to ease up a little on

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

★★★★ Your sense of humor comes out with a child or loved one. Let your hair down, and simply enjoy yourself. Worry less about efficiency and details. By letting go, you will relax. Your sixth sense kicks in when the phone rings or before you run into another person. Tonight: Favorite person, comfortable spot.

This Week: Use a creative streak to spice up love and work.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You might want to be a couch potato or spend the day reading the paper, catching up on emails and making phone calls to those you rarely speak to. By all means, do exactly that. Recharge your batteries. Tonight: Make a favorite meal.

This Week: If you can, stay close to home. The action is there.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ You might want to open up a conversation or make a call to a dear friend you have not heard from in a long time. Make plans in the near future to meet for a meal. Someone says a lot, but trying to decipher the true meaning of what he or she says could be difficult. Tonight: Hang out.

This Week: Speak your mind all you want, but don't count on others agreeing.

BORN TODAY

Country singer Johnny Cash (1932), pianist Fats Domino (1928), singer

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Each of the following seven-letter sets can be rearranged to spell out a common word that either starts with B E or D E or ends with N T or O N.

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 - AFFNORT
 - AADDENP
 - DEGNNOU

Yesterday's Answer: **CROSSWORD**
SIX CONJUR

Sudoku

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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Level: Advanced

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS
- 1 Glitter rock
 - 5 Ethical lines
 - 10 Send in
 - 12 Start of the Spanish year
 - 13 Tennyson's "Arden"
 - 14 Holdup
 - 15 Safari sight
 - 16 Twisty turn
 - 18 Writer Levin
 - 19 Grapevine talk
 - 21 Schnitzel base
 - 22 Question for a hitcher
 - 24 Harvest goddess
 - 25 Be rewarded for good work
 - 29 Chuck
 - 30 Keys in category
 - 33 Un-matched
 - 34 Female rabbit
 - 35 Battle site of 1836
 - 37 Stay away from

- DOWN
- 1 Rock's Allman
 - 2 "Imagine" singer
 - 3 Quiet as
 - 4 Amp plug-in
 - 5 Pills, in slang
 - 6 Afternoon hour
 - 7 Charitable aid
 - 8 Turkish peak
 - 9 True
 - 11 "Some nerve!"
 - 17 Practiced for a bout
 - 20 Splinter groups
 - 21 Drop in on
 - 23 Hero's love
 - 25 Man in a mask
 - 26 Sevilla setting
 - 27 Calm
 - 28 Under-mines
 - 29 Golf bunkers
 - 31 Canary chow
 - 33 Bumbler's word
 - 36 Uncommunica-tive
 - 38 Big tub

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Yesterday's answer

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I have worked in a medical clinic for 35 years and hear a lot of complaints about the wait for doctor appointments. May I explain some of the reasons for it?

Sometimes the doctor arrives late, but other factors can cause delays:

1. If you need to be seen, call first to get an appointment time. Most offices leave open spots to accommodate urgent-care matters. If you just walk in, we must work you in with patients who already have appointments, which pushes the doctor behind.

2. Do NOT come an hour early and announce in front of the entire waiting room that you must be somewhere and expect to get worked in before your scheduled time. Reschedule instead.

3. Always bring your insurance cards with you. Do not tell us to call another doctor's office to get the information.

4. Don't walk in with forms you need filled out and signed by the doctor and expect someone to take care of it immediately. It requires your chart to be pulled, a nurse to fill out the information and the doctor to look over the form and sign. Instead, leave the form. We'll mail it or call

you to pick it up.

5. Don't expect to call the office and speak with the doctor in the middle of a clinic day. A nurse can usually handle the question. If not, she'll have the doctor call you back after seeing the scheduled patients. — GENTLE REMINDER IN SIOUX FALLS, S.D.

DEAR GENTLE: Thank you for the reminders, which may help readers avoid some of the frustrations they encounter when going for a medical appointment. They are well worth the space in my column.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have become fond of a delightful elderly couple, "Frank" and "Annie." We bought the home across the street from them 10 years ago. They have four children, two of whom live nearby.

Two years ago, Frank was diagnosed with dementia. They are adamant about staying in the house they've owned since they were newlyweds. This means more of the burden of caring for the house and finances now falls to Annie, who has health problems of her own.

We help out whenever we can, because I know money is tight for them. When their lawnmower broke, we bought

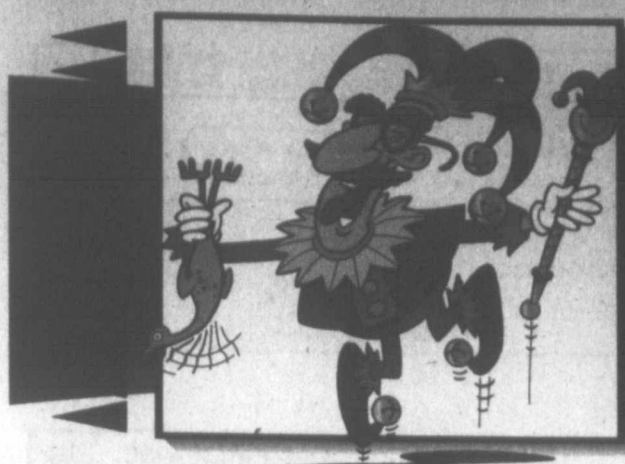
them a new one, and with the help of another neighbor, we take care of general yardwork and house issues.

I am growing increasingly concerned about the state of their finances, and bewildered that their children never seem to help. They interact with their parents at birthdays and on holidays. I don't know the children well, but is there a way to help them understand that their parents may not be volunteering all their troubles?

Frank and Annie are proud of what they've accomplished, but now they need a little extra support. They never ask for help, but gratefully accept it if it's offered. Would I be out of line to communicate with our neighbors' family? — LOVE THY NEIGHBOR

DEAR LOVE THY NEIGHBOR: Out of line? Not at all. The "children" should be told about your concerns, and also the various things you and the other neighbors have been doing to help their parents. Sometimes the children of aging parents don't recognize the subtle changes that take place when a loved one has dementia. Bring it out in the open, and you'll be doing all of them a favor.

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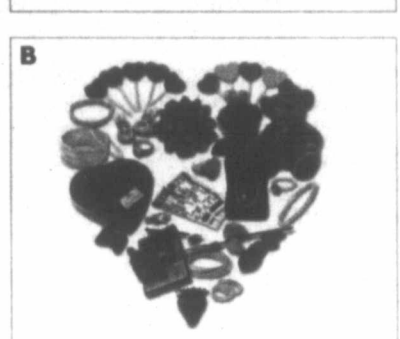
WHAT DID THE BIG TOMATO SAY TO THE LITTLE TOMATO? CATCH-UP!



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What's the Difference?

There are four things different between Picture A and Picture B. Can you find them all?



Answers: 1. Lollipop is red 2. Missing ring 3. Missing earrings 4. Extra strawberry leaves

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New Word enamored in love

How they say that in... ENGLISH: Chocolate SPANISH: Chocolate ITALIAN: Cioccolato FRENCH: Chocolat GERMAN: Schokolade

What's the Color of the Roses? THE COLOR OF THE ROSES YOU GIVE INDICATE HOW YOU FEEL. RED ROSES MEAN LOVE. CORAL MEAN DESIRE.

GET THE PICTURE? Can you guess what the bigger picture is?



Dear Shagg, Do warthogs have warts? Rachel Lawrence Lexington, MA



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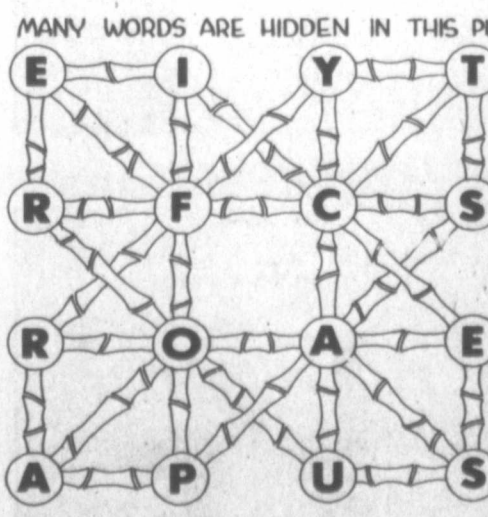


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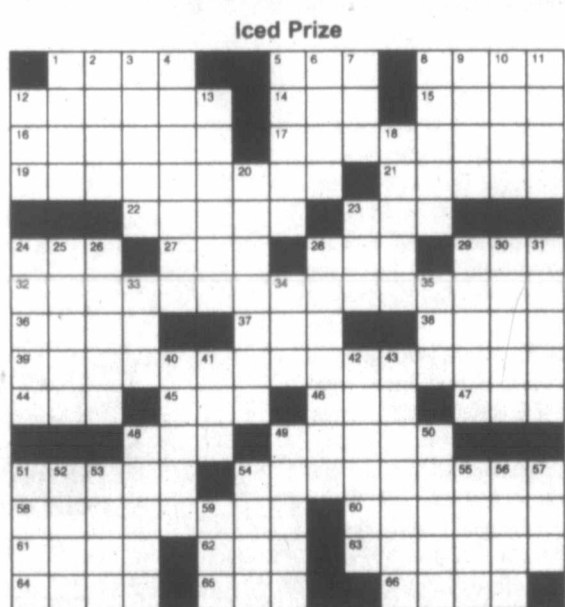
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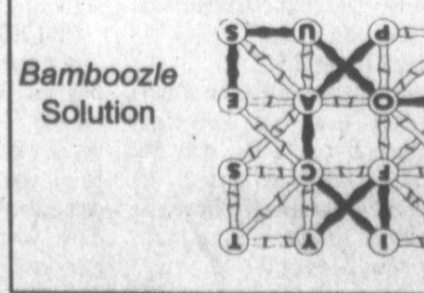
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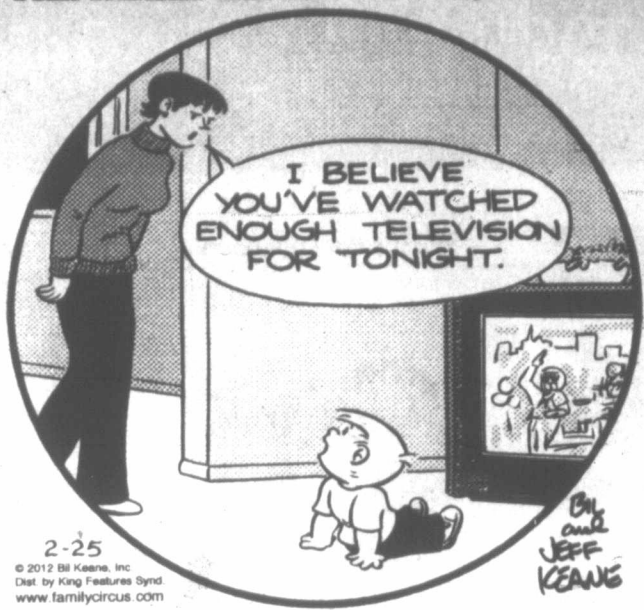
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"But that's just an opinion, right?"

Non Sequitur

EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE AT THE FIRM OF HEMSDALE, SMITH AND ASSOCIATES, HEMSDALE REMINDS SMITH WHO THE SENIOR PARTNER IS...



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Nest Heads



daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Feb. 27, 2012:

Energy combines with drive this year. You will be close to unstoppable when you are focused. You also will express yourself with precision in building more support for projects, your lifestyle and anything else of importance. If you are single, your strength and awareness make you desirable on yet another level, causing others to feel intimidated. The person you hook up with this year might not be right for your life. You will enjoy the bond nevertheless. If you are attached, include your significant other more often in your plans. You do not want him or her to feel isolated. You could work together to make a goal a reality. TAURUS understands you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★★ You have the right words to convince another person of how skilled you are. You could be uncomfortable with a boss, no matter how nice he or she is. Stay on top of your work and accept the situation. Tonight: Pick up several items you need.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ You are all smiles, as others let you know that they are there for you. You gain insight as you connect with them. A new interest, be it a person or hobby, seizes your time and attention. There is little you can do but explore and learn more. Tonight: Whatever makes you smile.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ Listen with a touch of cynicism to news that comes forward. You could be surprised by what is happening. Use a free moment to catch up on another's news. You might like what you hear. Tonight: Know what you want.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ Keep the grand plan in your mind's eye. You could be overwhelmed by everything that is happening, but if you make your goal a high priority, you will be on cruise control. Listen and share more with an instrumental friend. Tonight: Confirm where you are meeting.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ You are running the show, whether you like it or not. An associate proves to be unusually responsive. You like what you hear. Use caution with your finances. You easily could see too much money leave your checking account. Tonight: Working late.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Clearly you can be feisty. See what is happening behind the scenes to gain understanding. Detach and look at the big picture rather than react. Be more sensitive to an in-law or someone at a distance. Tonight: Brainstorm with a buddy. Note the self-imposed restrictions on your thinking.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Resist having an immediate, knee-jerk reaction. A close partner makes demands, and you respond. Discussions put the two of you on different footing. Look within to see where all the frustration and anger is coming from. Tonight: Chat over dinner.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You might want to see someone take more responsibility. Whenever he or she decides to be more dominant, even if the timing is not suitable for you, let it happen. In a meeting, someone expresses his or her anger or frustration. Help this person work through it. Tonight: Say "yes" to an invitation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Pace yourself, and know when to stop. You act like your own drill master. You have reasons for this, but at the same time, allow your humanness to come out. You can and will accomplish a lot. Worry less and act more. Tonight: Easy works.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ Your creativity flows, which allows a more fun exchange to take place in conversations. You discover how much your attitude can impact others. Be assertive when seeking new information, and you will discover another perspective. Tonight: So what if it is Monday?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Fundamental issues become very important matters. Though work might be important, basic issues in your home and personal life need to become a high priority. Why do you work? Probably to support your personal lifestyle. Work on balancing all elements of your life. Tonight: Happy at home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Recognize what is possible, then proceed. Trying to catch the pot of gold at the end of a rainbow is a lovely thought, but it will not happen. You will be happier if you stay realistic in your emotional demands. A partner or friend helps you remove your rose-colored shades. Tonight: Hang out with a trusted friend.

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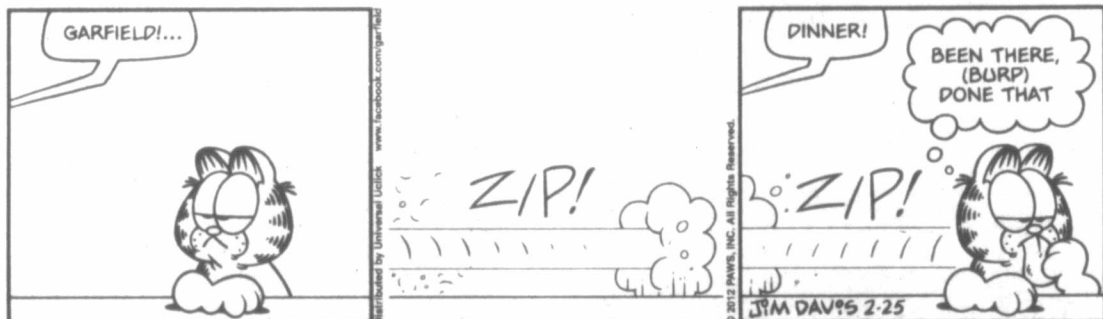
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Beetle Bailey



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Rains green things up, but hay, grazing still in short supply

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COLLEGE STATION — Most of the state received rain the third week of February, further greening up pastures and winter wheat, according to reports from Texas AgriLife Extension Service personnel.

In some cases, the rains stimulated the growth of winter grasses and small grains to the extent that it relieved the pressure on extremely limited hay supplies.

However, in most areas, livestock producers still had to provide supplemental feed and hay to cattle. In many areas the hay they fed continued to come in from out of state.

"Wheat, oats and winter pastures continue to do very well with the rains and mild temps," said Rick Maxwell, AgriLife Extension agent for Collin County, northeast of Dallas. "Cattle producers continue to graze winter annual pastures, which has cut down the use of hay, which is still in short supply."

"Recent rains have stimulated cool-season annuals to start to sprout, and it's nice to see some green in the pastures for a change," said Logan Lair, AgriLife Extension agent for Navarro County, northeast of Waco. "For the most part, supplemental feeding is still going on around the county for beef cattle, mainly hay."

"Good rains were received over most of the area this past week, and winter pastures were growing well," said Hugh Soape, AgriLife Extension agent for Gregg County, Longview. "Many are still overgrazed. Cattle are beginning to rebound in some areas where they are not overstocked. Hay and feedstuff was still in short supply and expensive."

"(We had) up to 0.5 inch of rainfall on Wednesday (Feb. 15)," reported Rick Hirsch, AgriLife Extension agent for Henderson County, Athens. "Muddy conditions are hampering field preparation for spring planting. Cool-season grazing was decreasing the need for hay which is severely short in supply."

"We are moving moisture up to adequate," said Neal Alexander, AgriLife Extension agent for San Saba County, north of San Antonio. "However, San Saba County has not progressed into non-drought conditions. It is a long way



to the truck for our small-grain crop, and without a hay crop this year, we remain in a disaster. Yearling cattle are doing well. Small grains are keeping up with them so far."

"Up to 1 inch of rain fell in the county last week," said Joe Janak, AgriLife Extension agent for Victoria County, northeast of Corpus Christi. "The cropping area, which is about 40 percent of the county, is still short of moisture, having had less than 3 inches in the last three months. There is sufficient moisture to get the crops up but not to full production. Green forage is becoming apparent, but is still in short supply for grazing. It'll take many days for full forage growth. Hay is still being fed."

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

AgriLife Extension district reporters compiled the following summaries for Feb. 14-21.

PANHANDLE: The weather varied from mild to extremely cold. Soil moisture continued to be mostly short to very short. A few areas reported receiving some moisture. Farmers continued preparing fields for spring planting and were actively irrigating wheat. Most winter wheat was in fair to poor condition. Rangeland and pastures were in fair to very poor condition, with most reporting poor to very poor. Those producers who didn't liquidate their herds during the drought began the spring calving season. They also continued providing supplemental feeding as rangeland grasses were sparse and wheat pasture was short.

ROLLING PLAINS: From 2 to 5 inches of snow



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Rains greened up pastures during February, such as this one in East Texas. However, in many areas the green up was mainly cosmetic, and producers were still buying hay from out of the area as the spring calving season continued, according to Texas AgriLife Extension Service personnel.

fell across the region. The moisture was welcome, but the western counties needed more to recover from the drought. Most winter wheat seemed to turn around overnight and grow a couple of inches. In the eastern counties, which have received more rain over the last few weeks, soil moisture was at surplus levels. The rains also filled most stock tanks, and the eastern counties were going into spring in much better condition than last year at this time. Livestock were in fair to good condition, pastures were greening up, with winter annuals furnishing needed grazing. Producers needed to feed less hay as a result. Cotton farmers were preparing land for planting. Parker County reported that peach trees began to bloom early.

SOUTH PLAINS: Snow, sleet and light rain fell across the region. Measurable

moisture ranged from a trace to 0.5 inches. This moisture benefited wheat and was expected to allow producers to do tillage work and reduce blowing sand. Much more moisture will be needed before spring planting can commence. Cool-season grasses on the range began to grow in low-lying areas. Livestock was in mostly fair to good condition with producers continuing to provide supplemental feed.



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Congress urges Iraq to buy rice

HOUSTON (AP) — Congress members from the largest rice-growing states are urging Iraq to resume buying U.S. long-grain rice, saying the country's "unreasonable" quality standards put American farmers at a competitive disadvantage.

The Associated Press received a copy Friday of the letter signed by a bipartisan group of 12 lawmakers and sent to Iraqi Minister of Trade Khair Alla Babaker earlier this week.

The letter says there was a 77 percent drop in rice sales to Iraq between 2010 and 2011, even though "not long ago, Iraq represented the largest market for U.S. rice."

"We liberated their country, for one thing," said Congressman Ted Poe, R-Texas, one of the lawmakers who signed the letter. "We would think they would consider the United States in trade since we spent billions of dollars not only to liberate their country, but to rebuild their infrastructure, from their oil industry on."

The Iraqi Grain Board has said it decided to buy cheaper basmati rice

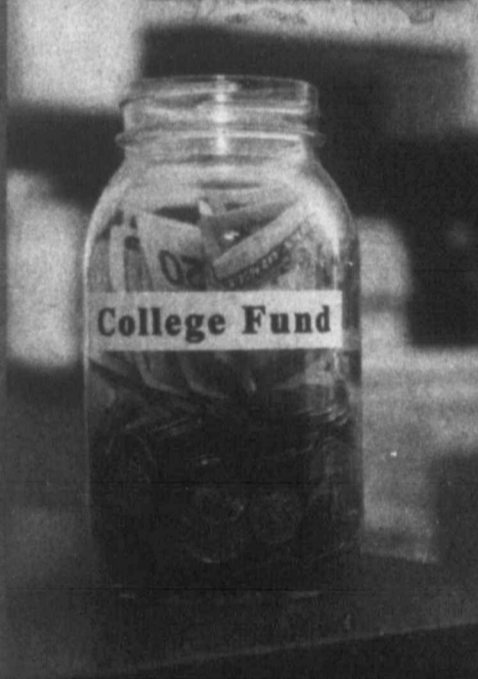
from India. Iraq hasn't bought U.S. rice since late 2010.

The Iraqi move comes as U.S. farmers struggle with drought, unusual heat, rising production costs, dropping prices and a shrinking export market. But the farmers are most upset over Iraq's decision because of the Iraq War.

The 12 legislators from Arkansas, California, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Texas and Virginia say the rice industry has worked closely with Iraq to develop a relationship, including conducting meetings and workshops with Iraqi Grain Board officials, and touring with them at U.S. rice fields and mills.

The letter says Iraq has stringent requirements on the grain. It also requires the rice to be pre-bagged, even though nearly all foreign markets allow this to be done at the destination.

"These unreasonable quality terms increase risk to shippers, causing them to hedge uncertainty with price premiums, which creates a competitive disadvantage," the letter says.



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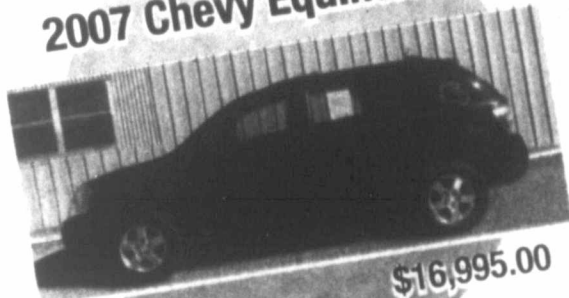
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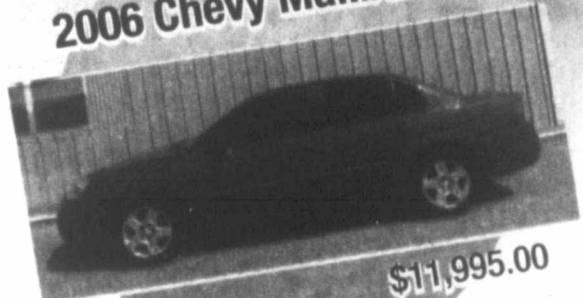
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