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County to assist Lefors with resurfacing roads

■ *Equipment to come from Gray County, city will cover fuel and materials*

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 Harkening back to an agreement made between the county and Lefors back in 2001, commissioners with Gray

County decided to assist the city with resurfacing its roads at their regular meeting at the Gray County Courthouse on Monday.
 "We've been asked by the City of Lefors if we could help them again

resurface some of their roads in the city limits," said Commissioner Joe Wheeley. "We've done that before on previous interlocal agreements, and of course, we try to do anything we can to aid that city. They are an old community, and have little tax base."
 Gray County will provide equipment, while Lefors will cover fuel and materials for the project.
 In other business, commissioners:

Switzer's request for the spending of asset forfeiture funds in the amount of \$20,031.88. All of the funds will go towards law enforcement in the district, and include reimbursement for a K-9 dog for the Shamrock Police Department and equipment and training for DPS troopers.
 • approved a records preservation contract with Kofile Solutions/Open Texas;
 • approved a release of lien to Frank
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THE TORCH IS PASSED



Outgoing head coach Dustin Miller (left) shakes hands with incoming coach Matt Embry after receiving a plaque with his accomplishments at the boys basketball banquet at Briarwood Full Gospel Church. The banquet was Miller's last as a head coach after resigning in February to take a job with the city. Full story in **SPORTS**, page 8.

Good Sam's Bivins thrilled with spring youth involvement

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 Color Joy Bivins impressed.
 Bivins, the volunteer executive director of Good Samaritan's Christian Services, has been thrilled with the spring involvement of young people in the area.
 With Easter weekend on the horizon, several local kids' groups have rounded up and donated over a ton of food items to Good Sam's.
 Boy Scout Troop 413 collected 1,246 pounds of food. Cub Scout Troop 423 collected 922 pounds of food and Lefors School collected 800 pounds.
 "That's a lot, and their kindergarten class won the prize," said Bivins. "They collected 100 cans of food."
 She added the kids of the National Junior Honor Society have been very involved with the organization this spring.
 "They're doing great, and we've had so many volunteer with National Junior Honor Society," said Bivins. "Those teachers need an accolade for pushing community service."
 In addition to its regular assistance with food, during the month of March, Good Samaritan's gave children stuffed chickens and rabbits for spring.
 In April, the organization has particular needs for personal hygiene items, formula, baby food and cereal, canned food, boys' jeans in sizes seven and eight, plastic sacks, egg cartons, fans and brown sacks.

Man nabbed for meth possession

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 An individual was arrested for possession of drugs after a traffic stop by the Gray County Sheriff's Office over the weekend.
 Around 10:50 p.m. on Saturday, deputies stopped a vehicle for a violation at the intersection of Randy Matson and Russell.
 The deputies searched the vehicle and found that the driver, Tracy Cain, 21, was in possession of a controlled substance believed to be methamphetamine.
Cain
 He was arrested and transported to Gray County Jail.
 Cain was later released on a \$2,500 bond.



EASTER CHORUS



First Baptist Church music pastor Barry Owens (foreground) directs the church's worship choir during its performance of "Jesus...More Than Enough" on Sunday. The choir sang songs related to Easter in preparation for next weekend's holy day.

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PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Wednesday	Thursday
		
High 65 Low 44	High 70 Low 46	High 72 Low 50

Today: A slight chance of showers, with thunderstorms also possible after 1pm. Partly sunny, with a high near 65. North northeast wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

Tonight: A slight chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 44. North northwest wind between 10 and 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

Wednesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 70. Northwest wind between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 46. North northwest wind 15 to 20 mph decreasing to between 5 and 10 mph. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 72. South southwest wind between 5 and 15 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 50. South wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

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- and Jacquelin Worsham;
- approved a one-year extended warranty agreement on Gray County Courthouse security cameras, in the amount of \$1,951; and
 - recognized county employees' completion of National Incident Management System training.

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Obituaries

Kenneth Wayne Applegate, 53

Kenneth Wayne Applegate, 53, died Saturday, March 31, 2012, in Amarillo.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at Calvary Baptist Church, with Rev. Dallas Stringer, pastor, and Rev. Richard Bartel, associate pastor officiating.

Graveside services will be at 4 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, 2012, at Englewood Cemetery in Slaton, under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Applegate was born April 12, 1956 in Paris, Texas. He married Debbie Snyder on August 12, 1977 in Slaton. He had been a resident of Pampa since 2004. Kenneth worked for Newpark Drilling Fluids. He enjoyed fishing, camping, woodworking, and putting around in his shed. He loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife: Debbie Applegate of the home; two sons: Kenneth Wayne Applegate of N. C. and Jason Wayne Applegate and wife Monica of Pampa; a daughter: Christie Applegate of Lubbock; eight grandchildren: Jessica Applegate, Ashley Mattox, Ryan Mattox, Rebecca Marie Ellis Applegate, Piper Kayle Lambombard, Jason Wayne Applegate, Jr., and Emma Mae Applegate, all of Pampa, and Bryan Ashton Mattox of Slaton; one great-grandson: Mathew Artimas Tyler of Pampa; four brothers: Billy Ray Applegate and Chris Calvin Applegate, both of Littlefield, Maynard G. Applegate of Pampa, and Rudy Van Applegate of Amarillo; seven sisters: Frances Holbert of Balch Springs, Edna Mae Fox, Judy Ann Brown and Katie Melba Holmes, all of Amarillo, Margaret Louise Scott of Hereford, Helen Marie Clare of Coleman, and Gladys Faye Walker of Ringland, Okla.

Kenneth was preceded in death by two brothers: Billy Jack Applegate and Gayland Lee Applegate; and a sister: Linda Lou Applegate.

The family will be at 1213 Darby in Pampa. Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society, c/o Gerry Caylor, 2130 Charles, Pampa, Texas 79065.

Sign the online register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com



Applegate

Mrs. Brogdin was born November 26, 1918 in Hale Center. She moved to Pampa in the early 1930's, graduating from Pampa High School in 1938. She married Warren Brogdin on October 30, 1940 in Tucumcari, New Mexico. He preceded her in death on October 14, 1999. Esta Lee was the cafeteria manager at Lamar Elementary School, retiring in 1979.

Brogdin

She was a member of First United Methodist Church and the Crusader's Sunday School class. She was known for her cooking, and she loved her family and enjoyed spending time with them.

She is survived by three sons: Robert Brogdin and wife Nancy and David Brogdin, all of Pampa, and Monte Brogdin and wife Mitsi of Amarillo; four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

Esta was preceded in death by three sisters and two brothers.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, Texas 79066-1981.

Sign the online register book at www.carmichael-whatley.com

Leon Grist, 87

Leon Grist, 87, of Borger, passed away, Saturday, March 31, 2012.

Leon Grist was born Wednesday, January 21, 1925 in Paris, AR to Aron and Theora Elizabeth (Ezell) Grist. He was a Chief A engine mechanic for Skelly-Watkins Gasoline plant at Spring Creek for 35 years. Mr. Grist married Lennis Boren on December 24, 1947 in Pampa TX.

Mr. Grist and his wife were volunteers for Meals on Wheels for the Borger Opportunity Center for over 22 years. He participated in the Relay for Life Walk as a cancer survivor and was a member of Southside Baptist Church. He served his country as a member of the United States Army during WWII.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Lennis; their son, Gary Grist; and one sister, Hazel Dean Beavers.

Survivors include two daughters, Marsha Grist Frazier and Kim Grist both of Borger, TX; three grandchildren, Jeremy Frazier, Bryan Frazier and Dustin Grist; one great granddaughter, Brianna Grist; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be held at 10:00AM, Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at Stinnett Cemetery, Stinnett TX with Brant Davis officiating.

Mr. Grist will lie in state at Browns Chapel in Borger, TX on Sunday, April 1, 2012 from 12:00p to 6:00p, Monday and Tuesday, April 2 & 3, 2012 from 8:00AM to 8:00PM.

Send personal condolences to www.brownfuneral-directors.net.

Esta Lee Brogdin, 93

Esta Lee Brogdin, 93, died Sunday, April 1, 2012 in Pampa.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday, April 4, 2012, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Rev. Blossom Matthews, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating.

Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

For the record

Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 72 hour period ending Monday, April 2 at 7 a.m.

Pampa PD reported 67 traffic related incidents.

Animal Control agents and Pampa PD reported 24 animal related incidents.

Pampa EMS and the Pampa PD responded to 12 medical calls.

Friday, April 30
A suspicious vehicle was reported at the 1300 block of North Hobart.

A hit and run occurred at the 400 block of North Starkweather.

Thefts occurred at the 100 block of North Somerville and the 400 block of North Hill.

A domestic disturbance occurred at Craven and Russell.

A threat was reported at the 100 block of South Wynne.

An accident occurred at the 1300 block of North Hobart.

A threat occurred at the 1300 block of North Price.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 1800 block of West Alcock.

A runaway was reported at the 1000 block of North Duncan.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 200 block of North Sumner, the intersection of 22nd and Hobart and the 1800 block of North Coffee.

An assault occurred at the 2300 block of North Rosewood.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 800 block of North Nelson.

Saturday, April 31
A suspicious vehicle was reported at the 2300 block of North Rosewood.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 500 block of North Hazel.

Suspicious persons were reported at the 1600 block of West Kentucky, the 1300 block of North Price and the 2300 block of North Rosewood.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 100 block of South Starkweather.

A suspicious person was reported at the 1900 block of North Hobart.

A burglary occurred at the 300 block of West Foster.

A suspicious person was reported at the 1300 block of North Russell.

A theft was reported.

A runaway was reported at the 1900 block of North Faulkner.

An assault occurred at the 100 block of West 30th.

A burglary occurred at 23rd and Price.

Criminal mischief occurred at the 2200 block of North Sumner.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 400 block of South Pitts.

A suspicious vehicle was reported at the 700 block of North Banks.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 100 block of South Sumner.

Criminal mischief occurred at the 2200 block of North Mary Ellen.

An assault occurred at the 700 block of North Russell.

Sunday, April 1
A suspicious person was reported at the 800 block of West Francis.

A suspicious vehicle was reported at the 900 block of East Francis.

A suspicious person was reported at the 1100 block of North Garland.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 1100 block of Willow.

A suspicious person was reported at the 1000 block of East Darby.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 300 block of East Brown.

A burglary of a motor vehicle was reported.

A suspicious person was reported at Christine and Pennsylvania.

An accident occurred at the 1700 block of North Hobart.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 700 block of Sloan.

An accident was reported.

A domestic disturbance occurred at the 600 block of South Reid.

An accident occurred at Cuyler and Brown.

A violation of city ordinance occurred at the 1100 block of South Wilcox.

A threat occurred at the 500 block of North Lowry.

Disorderly conduct occurred at Duncan and Pennsylvania.

Endangerment of a child or elderly person occurred at the 1000 block of North Hobart.

Criminal mischief occurred at the 1100 block of North Starkweather.

Disorderly conduct occurred at Duncan and Pennsylvania.

A domestic disturbance occurred at Duncan and Louisiana.

A threat occurred at the 2100 block of North Duncan.

Monday, April 2
Suspicious vehicles were reported at the 800 block of East Brown, the 1600 block of East Highway 60 and the 1000 block of North Hobart.

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 1600 block of North Somerville, the 1600 block of West Somerville and the 1900 block of North Nelson.

A suspicious person was reported at the 600 block of North Lefors.

Sheriff's Office

The Gary County Sheriff's Office has reported the following arrests for the 72 hour period ending Monday, April 2 at 7 a.m.

Friday, March 30
Amy Marie Nelson, 36, was arrested by deputies for theft of property over \$100,000 and less than \$200,000.

Bo Brooks Likes, 20, was arrested by police for motion to revoke probation involving assault causing bodily injury.

Brian Lee Williams, 44, was arrested by deputies for a probation violation regarding possession of a controlled substance.

Robert English, 46, was arrested by deputies for a burglary of a building.

Matthew Justin Hale, 20, was arrested by deputies on a Roberts County warrant of terroristic threat.

Kristian Paul Roach, 25, was arrested by deputies on a Roberts County warrant of terroristic threat.

Jonathon Dustin Pierce Hale, 20, was arrested by deputies on a Roberts County warrant of terroristic threat.

Lloyd Ernest Poland, 46, was arrested by DPS for driving while intoxicated.

Saturday, March 31
Julio Chavez Hernandez, 39, was arrested by DPS for driving while intoxicated.

Richard Nicholas Stashack, 27, was arrested by deputies on a Roberts County warrant of terroristic threats.

Tracy Dylan Cain, 21, was arrested by deputies for possession of a controlled substance.

Cecilia Gail Bonjour, 50, was arrested by DPS for driving while intoxicated.

Sunday, April 1
James Ray Kreyling, 26, was arrested by deputies for assault causing bodily injury.

Mick Gene Pendergrass, 55, was arrested by police on warrants of theft under \$50, failure to appear in court and criminal trespassing.

MORNINGRUSH

Gov. want pink slime inquiry

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) - Gov. Terry Branstad says he wants a congressional inquiry into what prompted complaints about a meat product that some call "pink slime" and the industry refers to as lean, finely textured beef.

A public uproar about the product prompted the company Beef Products Inc. to suspend operations at plants in Waterloo, Amarillo, Texas, and Garden City, Kan.

Speaking Monday at his weekly news conference, Branstad says he's suggested an inquiry to U.S. Reps. Steve King and Leonard Boswell, and has raised the issue with Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack.

A federal microbiologist apparently was the first to use the term "pink slime" several years ago. It wasn't until recently that the issue gain prominence after mainstream media picked up on an issue that has been long discussed in social media outlets.

Tranplant patient feels kisses

BOSTON (AP) - A Texas man who had a face transplant a year ago says now he can feel his daughter's kisses.

Dallas Wiens of Fort Worth was at Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston on Monday to follow up with his transplant team.

He had the nation's first full face transplant a year ago and says he can use his face more than he expected. His face was burned in 2008 when his head touched a high-voltage power line while standing in a cherry picker. He was also blinded.

He says feeling his daughter's kisses has brought him to tears more than once. He also says he can go out with family and friends and not worry about what anyone thinks.

His doctor says every time the team sees him he can do and feel more things.

Oil surveys halted for dolphins

NEW ORLEANS (AP) - With sick and dead dolphins turning up along Louisiana's coast, federal regulators are curbing an oil and natural gas exploration company from using seismic equipment that sends out underwater pulses known to disturb marine mammals.

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management has told Global Geophysical Services Inc. to not conduct deep-penetration seismic surveys off the Louisiana coast until May when the bottlenose dolphin calving season ends. The agency says the surveys are done with air-guns that emit sounds that can disrupt mother and calf bonding.

The company says it laid off about 30 workers because of the restriction, which it called unnecessary.

Environmental groups suing BOEM over the use of underwater seismic equipment say the restrictions should be extended to surveyors across the Gulf of Mexico.

Fort Hood suspect requests expert

FORT HOOD (AP) - The Army psychiatrist charged in the deadly Fort Hood shooting rampage will be back in a military court this week.

Maj. Nidal Hasan will attend a pretrial hearing Wednesday. The judge may rule on a request from defense attorneys for a forensic pathologist, who would be paid by the government.

The judge also might rule on a defense motion to force prosecutors to provide notes from meetings with President Barack Obama, the defense secretary and other officials after the November 2009 shootings. But prosecutors say no Army officers involved in the case have been influenced by higher-ranking officials.

Hasan faces the death penalty if convicted of 13 counts of premeditated murder and 32 counts of attempted premeditated murder.

His trial is to start in June at the Texas Army post.

N.M. water restrictions in place

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) - Water restrictions are in place across Albuquerque.

From now until October, the city Water Authority will ticket anyone caught hosing down the lawn between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

KOB-TV reports if you're caught breaking the law, fines range from \$20 to \$2,000.

Calf in back seat leads to arrest

CARLSBAD, N.M. (AP) - New Mexico authorities have arrested three men found with a 220-pound calf in the backseat of their car.

The Carlsbad Current Argus reports that the men are accused of cattle rustling. They were jailed on charges of suspicion of larceny of livestock, conspiracy, lack of a bill of sale and exporting livestock.

Luna County sheriff's office says a deputy pulled over their Honda Civic on Friday and saw the animal sharing the backseat with one of the alleged thieves.

The three are being held at the Luna County Detention Center.

Vandals hit school buses

CROSBY (AP) - Dozens of school buses in a Houston-area district have been vandalized and parents were asked to drop off their children for classes.

The Crosby Independent School District on Monday announced 58 of its 70 buses had tire damage and could not operate.

Superintendent Keith Moore says the valve stems were found cut on parked buses in an area secured by a chain-link fence and barb wire. Moore says a nearby maintenance building has security video but most of the buses were too far away to determine the culprits.

Moore says the Houston ISD helped provide valve stem replacements so the buses could run their regular routes later Monday.

About half of the district's more than 5,000 students ride the buses in Crosby, located 20 miles northeast of Houston.

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Social Security and you



The folks at your Social Security office can go over the numbers and your options with you at the time you retire.

Q: My husband and I are self-employed. Quite a few years ago, we incorporated our business. We did this on the advice of our accountant, who said we would pay less in taxes this way. In fact, for many years, we paid no taxes at all. Recently, I hurt my neck and back in a car accident. I filed for Social Security disability benefits, but my claim was denied. They said I'm not "insured." What does that mean? I have my 40 quarters from work I did before we started this business.

A: It means there are consequences to not paying taxes. There are two "insured status" requirements you must meet to qualify for Social Security disability benefits. The first is that you must have at least 40 Social Security credits, often called "quarters." You said you have that.

But the second half of the insured status rule says you must have been working and paying Social Security taxes in recent years. Specifically, the law says you need to have paid Social Security taxes in five of the past 10 years.

I have seen situations similar to yours hundreds of times during my career with the Social Security Administration. Self-employed people are able to "cook the books" in order to lessen or even eliminate their tax burden. It always sounds like a great idea because, generally, no one likes paying taxes. But that smaller tax burden always results in smaller Social Security payments.

And sometimes, as in your case, it results in the loss of Social Security benefits. I just hope that you took some of that money you saved by not paying Social Security taxes and bought yourself a good disability insurance policy.

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

Q: I am a certified public accountant. One of my clients, who signed up for his Social Security about a year ago, just got a letter from Social Security's "Office of Quality Assurance." The people there want to redo his claim for benefits. And they are asking him to bring in his military discharge papers (he was in the Army 40 years ago), his W-2 records for the past 10 years and other documents. What's going on? He's very worried about this.

A: Tell your client to relax. This really is a "no big deal" kind of thing -- from his perspective, anyway. But it is a big deal to the Social Security Administration.

The SSA's Office of Quality Assurance takes a small sampling of Social Security cases and redevelops them. It's not really to see whether he's being paid correctly, although they will check into that. But your client shouldn't worry about this, because historically, Social Security benefit calculations have a very high degree of accuracy. Statistics show that people, in part because of these kinds of reviews, are getting the correct benefit amount about 99 percent of the time.

Instead, this quality review is more of a checkup on Social Security's internal claims processing procedures. For example, as part of a normal application, the SSA almost never asks for military records, because one's military service (and any possible Social Security credit one might be due because of that service) already is recorded in Social Security files. But as part of this review, the SSA asks to see your client's military papers to help verify that its records of military service are accurate. And by the way, if he can't easily put his hands on his military records, the SSA will help him obtain them.

The same is true for his W-2 forms. The administration just wants to help document that its earnings records are accurate, which, again, they are almost all

the time. Although I'm not totally sure of this, I think these reviews are voluntary. So if this is really bothering your client, ask him to check with the SSA about opting out of the review.

Q: My husband died at age 52 about 12 years ago. I am now 62 and thinking of retiring. Someone told me I should consider filing for widow's benefits. But because my husband died so many years ago -- when wages were less than they are today -- I'm sure I will get much more on my own record, even though I made less than he did when he was alive. Do you think I should file for widow's benefits?

A: I think you will be surprised at the amount of your potential widow's benefits. Even though he died many years ago, the wages used to figure your husband's basic Social Security rate (and your widow's benefit) are indexed for inflation. And they base your widow's benefit on his retirement benefit -- as if he were getting retirement when he died. So if he made more money than you did, I'll bet your widow's rate will be higher than your own retirement checks.

But that doesn't automatically mean you should file for widow's benefits. As I've explained many times in this column, widows have options when it comes to Social Security. For example, it might be financially advantageous for you to take reduced retirement benefits on your record now and switch to full widow's benefits at 66.

Another option would be to take reduced widow's benefits now and switch to your own Social Security at age 70, when you would get your full benefits plus a 32 percent delayed retirement bonus.

Gas well snapshot shows high-producing wells

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) - Natural gas wells using the drilling method known as hydraulic fracturing are producing at a much higher rate than traditional wells, according to the first look at production figures from nine active wells in the Utica Shale formation in eastern Ohio.

Figures reported Monday by Oklahoma City-based Chesapeake Energy Corp. show five wells in eastern Ohio producing 2.6 billion cubic feet of natural gas in 2011. The other four wells produced hundreds of barrels of oil but are not in natural gas production yet, according to Chesapeake.

The report, which Chesapeake provided to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, shows one well in Harrison County producing 1.5 billion cubic feet of natural gas, or 2 percent of the state's entire natural gas production.

Put another way, that well has 300 times more in daily production than the average well drilled vertically into the ground, said Rick Simmers, chief of ODNR's Division of Oil and Gas Resources Management.

"The preliminary production for all the wells on the gas side is very high," Simmers said.

Companies including Chesapeake have drilled 38 other wells that have yet to report production. Ohio has issued about

150 permits for Utica Shale wells in Ohio. By contrast, the state has about 49,000 traditional gas wells reporting production.

A message was left with Chesapeake seeking comment.

The data reported Monday involves wells drilled using a method dubbed "fracking," in which thousands of gallons of chemically laced water are blasted into shale deposits, freeing natural gas trapped in the layers of shale.

The natural gas report-

ed Monday includes both "dry" gas that can be distributed almost immediately to gas companies for home and business use, and "wet" gas that includes other proponents such as butane and propane that must be stripped out, Simmers said.

Eastern Ohio is in the midst of a natural gas boom as developers seek to capture rights to Utica Shale deposits. Last month, BP announced it had leased 84,000 acres of land in the Utica/Point Pleasant shale formation

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Viewpoints

Today in History

Today is Tuesday, April 3, the 94th day of 2012. There are 272 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On April 3, 1942, during World War II, Japanese forces began their final assault on Bataan against American and Filipino troops who surrendered six days later; the capitulation was followed by the notorious Bataan Death March.

On this date:

In 1776, George Washington received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree from Harvard College.

In 1860, the legendary Pony Express began carrying mail between St. Joseph, Mo., and Sacramento, Calif. (The delivery system lasted only 18 months before giving way to the transcontinental telegraph.)

In 1882, outlaw Jesse James was shot to death in St. Joseph, Mo., by Robert Ford, a member of James' gang.

In 1911, Jean Sibelius' Symphony No. 4 in A minor, Op. 63, had its world premiere in Helsinki, Finland, with Sibelius conducting.

In 1936, Bruno Hauptmann was electrocuted in Trenton, N.J. for the kidnap-murder of Charles Lindbergh Jr.

In 1946, Lt. Gen. Masaharu Homma, the Japanese commander held responsible for the Bataan Death March, was executed by firing squad outside Manila.

In 1948, President Harry S. Truman signed into law the Marshall Plan, designed to help European allies rebuild after World War II and resist Communism.

In 1968, the day before he was assassinated in Memphis, Tenn., civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. delivered his famous "mountaintop" speech to a rally of striking sanitation workers. North Vietnam agreed to meet with U.S. representatives to set up preliminary peace talks.

In 1974, deadly tornadoes struck wide parts of the South and Midwest before jumping across the border into Canada; more than 300 fatalities resulted.

In 1979, Jane M. Byrne was elected mayor of Chicago, defeating Republican Wallace D. Johnson.

In 1985, the landmark Hollywood Brown Derby restaurant closed after 56 years in business.

In 1996, an Air Force jetliner carrying Commerce Secretary Ron Brown and American business executives crashed in Croatia, killing all 35 people aboard.

Ten years ago: Israeli tanks rolled into the West Bank's largest city, Nablus, and other troops laid siege to a refugee camp in Jenin, battling Palestinians who'd barricaded entrances and fought back with bombs and guns. Soldiers also encircled hundreds of Palestinian gunmen holed up in the Bethlehem church marking Jesus' birthplace.

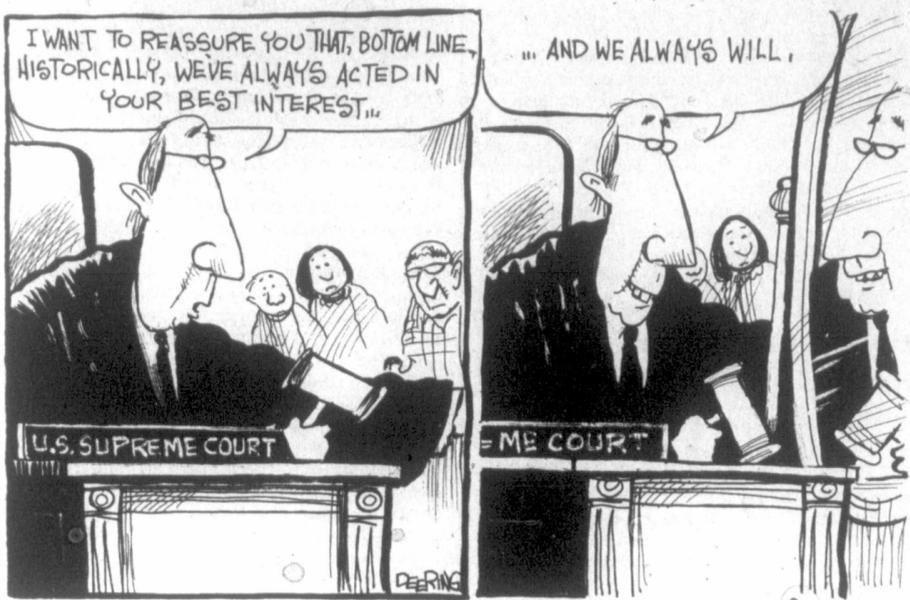
Five years ago: President George W. Bush denounced Democrats for going on spring break without approving money for the Iraq war; he also criticized House Speaker Nancy Pelosi's trip to Syria. An ex-con shot and killed his ex-girlfriend at the CNN headquarters complex in Atlanta before being headed by a security guard. (Arthur Mann was later convicted of murdering Clara Riddles and sentenced to life without parole.) A high-speed French train broke the world speed record for conventional rail trains, surpassing 357.2 mph. After a nine-year title drought, Tennessee's Lady Vols captured a seventh national title, beating Rutgers 59-46.

One year ago: The United States agreed to NATO's request for a 48-hour extension of American participation in coalition air strikes against targets in Libya. Marine Lance Cpl. Harry Lew fatally shot himself at a remote Afghanistan patrol base; three Marines were court-martialed for alleged hazing. (Two were acquitted; one pleaded guilty to assault after admitting he'd punched and kicked Lew.)

Today's Birthdays: Actress-singer Doris Day is 89. Former German Chancellor Helmut Kohl is 82. Conservationist Dame Jane Goodall is 78. Actor William Gaunt is 75. Actor Eric Braeden is 71. Actress Marsha Mason is 70. Singer Wayne Newton is 70. Singer Billy Joe Royal is 70. Singer Tony Orlando is 68. Comedy writer Pat Proft is 65. Folk-rock singer Richard Thompson is 63. Country musician Curtis Stone (Highway 101) is 62. Blues singer-guitarist John Mooney is 57. Rock musician Mick Mars (Mötley Crüe) is 56. Actor Alec Baldwin is 54. Actor David Hyde Pierce is 53. Rock singer John Thomas Griffith (Cowboy Mouth) is 52. Comedian-actor Eddie Murphy is 51. Rock singer-musician Mike Ness (Social Distortion) is 50. Rock singer Sebastian Bach is 44. Rock musician James MacDonough is 42. Olympic gold medal ski racer Picabo Street is 41. Actress Jennie Garth is 40. Actor Adam Scott is 39. Comedian Aries Spears is 37. Actress Cobie Smulders is 30. Rock-pop singer Leona Lewis is 27. Actress Amanda Bynes is 26.

Thought for Today: "I didn't invent the world I write about - it's all true." - Graham Greene, British author (1904-1991).

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The politics of the Supreme Court

As was clear in last week's arguments on the constitutionality of the health care reform law, today's Supreme Court is as political as any institution in Washington. It was not always so.

I don't mean that this court is more divided or more result-oriented than any in recent years. I just mean it's more political, as in Republican and Democrat political -- which, ironically, could actually help Obamacare survive constitutional scrutiny.

There was a long tradition in this country, and a pretty hallowed one, wherein once you appointed someone to the Supreme Court, with life tenure and all that marble, you just never knew.

Did President Eisenhower know, when he struck that fateful deal with California Gov. Earl Warren to name him to the next open seat, that it would be the chief's seat and that

the man who filled it would go on to be celebrated (or decried) as the liberal lion of the century?

Did anyone know that Hugo Black, former Klansman, would become an absolutist when it came to the Bill of Rights, or that Eisenhower appointee William Brennan would be way to the left of JFK appointee Byron White, or that my old boss Justice John Paul Stevens, whose appointment was opposed by the National Organization for Women, would three decades later be the leader of the liberal wing of the court?

None of these zigzags are "bad things." Quite the contrary. While every first-year law student learns that law, particularly when it comes to constitutional law as defined by the Supreme Court, involves far



SUSAN ESTRICH

more than calling balls and strikes (even if that's what they all say these days during their confirmation hearings), the fact that the justices don't operate in party blocs has always lent a certain legitimacy to the decisions of the court. It's small "p" politics, not the old R's v. D's kind.

And that is what makes this court so different, in a troubling way. When you say 5-4 these days, everyone knows just what you mean.

Five R's against four D's. When the court splits down the middle, it almost always splits along party lines, with the five Republican appointees (John Roberts, Antonin Scalia, Clarence Thomas, Samuel Alito and Anthony Kennedy) against

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Take me (outside) to the ballgame

The urchins were startled. "Hey, let's go outside and play some baseball," I said.

Outside? Are you kidding me? Inside, the two 8-year-old boys have an Xbox, iPads and personal computers at the ready. Outside?

So I dragged them down to the ball field.

"I need a helmet," one wailed. "Where're the helmets?"

"And what about a heart-guard?" the other one said. "Mom says I have to get a heart-guard before I can play."

"We're just going to practice," I replied. "No danger. Let's just throw the ball around and hit a few."

The boys looked confused. "But we need helmets!"

The year was 1957, and two Central Nassau little league teams were on the field. There were no helmets. No heart-guards. Just a dusty field with dirty bases and a coach who sat on a splintered bench drinking beer.

I was 7 years old. Billy Weir was on the mound. I was at the plate. He threw; I swung the bat. The ball

rocketed into left field. My first hit ever. I'll never forget it.

"OK, I'll hit you guys some grounders, and you throw the ball home. Got it?"

The boys looked even more confused.

"What happens if the ball hits me?" the smarter one asked.

"Pain," I said. "But that's why you have a glove. You catch the ball in the glove, and that protects you."

I hit a slow grounder to the slower boy. He stood like a statue as the ball rolled through his legs.

"What was that?" I asked.

"It was too low," he replied. "It has to be higher."

"You're supposed to bend down



BILL O'REILLY

and catch the ball. "I said gently. "That's how you get guys out. You catch the ball and throw it to first."

The kid looked bored. The kid was bored. There were no electronic zombies to kill. There were no gadgets in sight.

"OK, let's do some hitting," I said, attempting to refocus the boys.

"I only use aluminum bats," one of them said.

"Mom says wood bats are too dangerous."

Luckily, I had the aluminum model.

"It's too heavy," the kid wailed.

"Choke up, move your hands up the handle of the bat."

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ASK B-FROG...

A column focusing on Texas and Southwestern trivia



Dear B-Frog: Does Texas have an official state animal? - Zoo Fan

Absolutely...Texas has several of them. The armadillo is the official state mammal. The Guadalupe bass is our state fish. And our state's official flying mammal is the free-tailed bat.

B-Frog: I've heard tall tales about space aliens actually landing in Texas. Do you know the background on this? - Star Gazer

The supposed landing occurred in Aurora, up in Wise County. In the spring of 1897, many sightings of a cigar-shaped spacecraft were reported throughout Texas. One woman even claimed that she was able to rope the craft! S.E. Hayden of Aurora, a local cotton buyer, sent a letter to the Dallas Morning News. He claimed that not only were the sightings real, but that the alien craft had crashed in the town of Aurora, and the townsfolk had buried the alien in the local cemetery. It was many years before an exhumation could be performed. By that time, no one could exactly pinpoint where the alien was buried. Many skeptics claim the story was written as a marketing piece, since the railroad had been routed away from Aurora, and the town was already losing population.

You can read about other Texas "firsts" in Sherrie McLeRoy's *Braggin' on Texas*, published by TCU Press.

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Weekly Menus

Pampa Independent School District

TUESDAY, April 3
Oven baked chicken or macaroni & cheese, whipped potatoes, western beans, pears, hot roll
Breakfast- Biscuit, gravy
WEDNESDAY, April 4
Breakfast for lunch or steak fingers, potato rounds, rosie applesauce, biscuit
Breakfast- Cinnamon pastries
THURSDAY, April 5
Philly steak sandwich or pizza, English peas, tossed salad
Breakfast- Pancake n sausage on a stick
FRIDAY, April 6
Closed for Holiday

Pampa Meals on Wheels

TUESDAY, April 3
Hamburgers, french fries, lettuce/tomatoes, pears
WEDNESDAY, April 4
Roast, mashed potatoes, green beans, corn, banana bread
THURSDAY, April 5
Stew, cornbread, peaches
FRIDAY, April 6
Closed holiday

Pampa Senior Citizens Center

TUESDAY, April 3
Chicken & ham tetrazini or Salisbury steak AuJus, steak fries, peas, fried squash, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, dreamsicle cake, blackberry cobbler, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread
WEDNESDAY, April 4
Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, Scandinavian blend, corn, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, butter pecan cake, cherry creme cake, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread
THURSDAY, April 5
Chicken strips or liver & onions, Au Gratin potatoes, carrots, fried okra, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, black forest cake, butterscotch icebox pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread
FRIDAY, April 6
Closed for Holiday

O'Reilly

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I threw the urchins some soft tosses, and they began to hit the ball. On contact, the bat made a loud noise, which they liked. Reminded them of the noises that feed their gaming addiction.

"OK, now we're going to run the bases."
"Why?" they said in unison.
"Because after you hit the ball, you run from base to base. That's how you score runs."
"My mom doesn't want me to get dirty."
"How about I bury you under the pitcher's mound?"
The kids ran to first. But they began to tire after reaching second. They both stopped and just stood there looking at me.
I looked back.
"How long are we going to do this?" the smarter one said.
"I need a helmet if we're going to keep playing."

Veteran TV news anchor Bill O'Reilly is host of the Fox News show "The O'Reilly Factor."

Wells

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in northeast Ohio for oil and gas production. The project will roll out over five years, with parts of the complex scheduled to begin operations by June 2013. Decisions by Chesapeake and BP to develop in Ohio come despite a proposal by Republican Gov. John Kasich to hike the taxes that oil and gas drillers pay for extracting the state's natural resources.

Estrich

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the four Democratic appointees (Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Stephen Breyer, Sonia Sotomayor and Elena Kagan). If anyone swings, it's usually Kennedy, which is why most of the commentators were listening so carefully to his questions.

So the conservative blogs, enjoying Kennedy's tough questioning of the government's chief advocate, were selling a 5-4 decision striking down the heart of the health care law as a likely result of the hearings. Maybe in another year. Maybe in another cycle.

But consider: The opinion of the court is likely to come down at the end of June, just as the country starts tuning in for a hotly contested (read: ugly) presidential contest. A 5-4 decision striking down the law along partisan political lines would do more than anything since Bush v. Gore to make the court look like a partisan political institution. And

make no mistake, the court is still getting over *Bush v. Gore*. Right or wrong (no, this column isn't long enough), *Bush v. Gore* was very bad for the legitimacy of the court.

When they go into the chief's conference room to cast their initial votes, and later as the opinions are circulated, two justices are likely to be thinking about those issues.

The first is Kennedy. Back in 1987, Ronald Reagan nominated the brilliant but brittle former Yale law school professor Robert Bork to serve on the court. Bork refused to play the balls and strikes game, staking out his ideological ground and sticking to it -- and paying the price. In the years since, as both sides have played this game, it is now known as being "Borked." Kennedy was nominated in his stead. Perhaps it is no coincidence that he is the most traditional justice on the court -- meaning the one who

doesn't always vote with the side that "brung" him.

The second is Chief Justice Roberts. For him, this case is not simply about which side wins. He will be judged by history not only for his votes, but also for his stewardship of the sacred trust. And he knows it.

I support the constitutionality of Obamacare. But I also believe that keeping the court out of this campaign is more important than striking down a law that, at its worst, expands the power of government to regulate markets. You won't hear any of the advocates make that argument. My guess is, it won't even be voiced in the innermost chambers. But that doesn't mean there won't be at least two men thinking about it.

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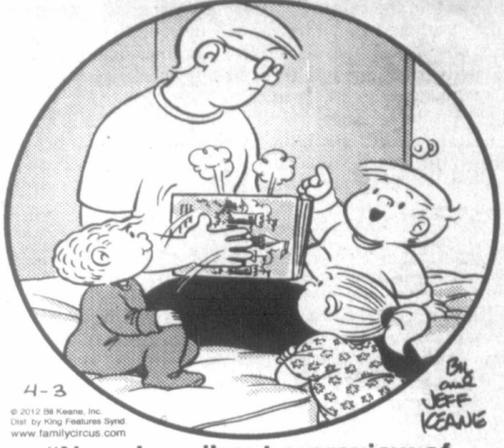
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"Now, how 'bout a preview of tomorrow night's story?"

Non Sequitur



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Nest Heads



daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, April 4, 2012:

This year frustration plays out with confusion. You have the ability to find clarity by asking questions and confirming what you hear. By your next birthday, you could become a master of communication. You will make the right financial choices. If you are single, someone quite desirable pops into your life from summer on. In fact, you might even have two choices. If you are attached, the two of you become closer as you learn to communicate more effectively. VIRGO makes a great co-worker or pal.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
 *** All work and no play might not suit you. Something that occupies your time could feel like a must-do. An issue you believed to be resolved actually might not be, as time reveals. Frustration could result from having to deal with this project or situation again. Tonight: Try a tension-buster.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 **** Manifest some of your creative solutions, and you'll make a difficult situation or task easier. Don't be so surprised that you have many people who like being close to you. Tonight: Break your routine.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 *** Stay close to home if you can. Somehow, the idea of being out and about might not appeal to you. A change in the ether helps straighten out a difficult situation or problem. Tonight: Spontaneity rules.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 ***** It is time to communicate what is on your mind. You could be confused by a situation. Perhaps the best way to clear it out is to start sharing. That statement alone could open up a difficult situation. Tonight: Chat over a drink and munchies.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 ***** You could be taken aback by someone's sharing. Clear the air now that you have more understanding. If you hold back, you could be inviting more problems. Think carefully. Someone you admire or trust drops a nugget of wisdom. Know what works. Tonight: Your treat.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 **** Feel free to have a long-overdue discussion later in the day. The reaction you get might be a little over-the-top, but

you are on your way to clearing out a misunderstanding. Both of you will be much happier as a result. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 ** Read between the lines with a special person in your life. You might wonder why you are acting the way you are. Be open and authentic, and you can't go wrong. You could be resolving quite a few issues in the next few months. Tonight: Get some extra sleep.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 ***** Zero in on what you want by late afternoon. After recent confusion and setbacks, you might want to discuss an issue. Listen to your inner voice when speaking to a child or loved one. The clearer and more caring you are, the better the relationship will be. Tonight: Where the action is.

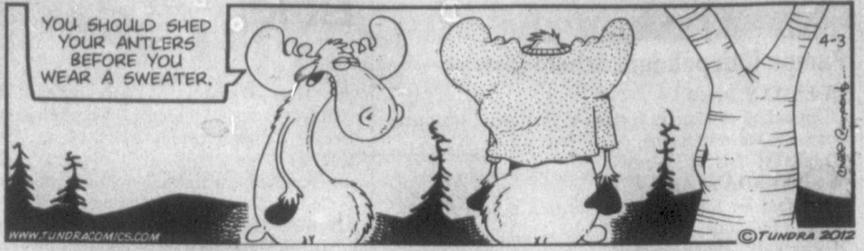
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 *** Delve into a new interest that could develop into a commitment. Whatever it is, be sure you want to become involved, as getting out could be a lot more difficult. A person in your daily life makes quite an offer. Listen, then decide. Tonight: In the limelight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 **** You are experiencing a change within a relationship, and also within yourself. You will start to see life from an even broader perspective and drop some self-imposed restrictions. Let your creativity flow. Do you have a good avenue of self-expression? Tonight: Add spice to your life.

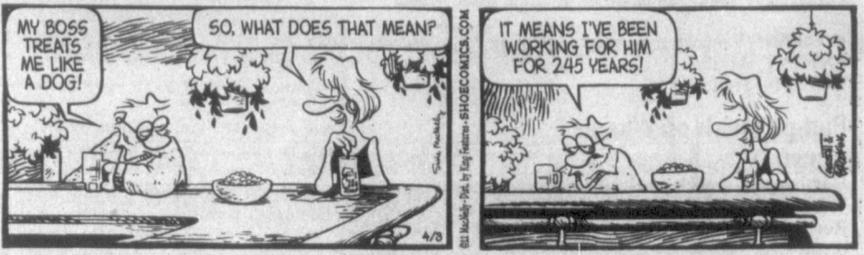
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 **** Just when you are about to toss your hands in the air, you'll discover that there is another solution or way. You come from a point of creativity and high energy. Now you can really talk turkey with a key loved one. Tonight: Follow someone else's lead.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 **** For now, lie back and allow others to demonstrate their true colors. A key friendship could be changing right in front of you. Don't fight what is happening; rather, ride it out. You finally might be able to clear up a misunderstanding. Tonight: Take your cue from a friend or loved one.

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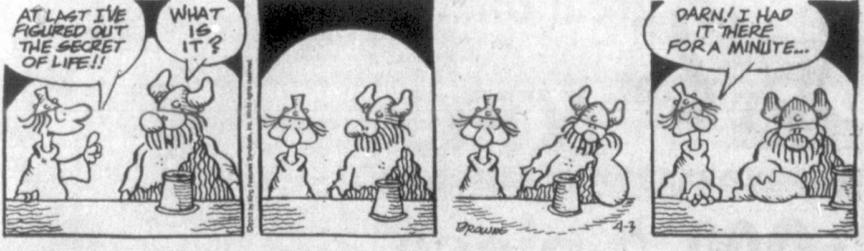
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Sports

Boys track third, girls fourth at Dalhart track meet

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With the District 1-3A track meet around the corner, the Pampa Harvesters and Lady Harvesters were hoping for a strong performance in Dalhart. At the end of Friday's Golden Wolves relay, the Harvesters took third and the Lady Harvesters finished fourth.

"We ran pretty good," Tad Smith, head boys track coach, said. "We ran our season best in a lot of races."

"We missed some points because of nagging injuries," Mark Elms, head girls track coach, said. "We still competed in 'Harvester style.'"

The Harvesters scored 106 points, only trailing Bushland (140) and district rival Dalhart (138). Smith said several people improved in their events.

"Our sprint relay ran faster," Smith

said. "Our 800 relay was faster. Reid (Miller) ran faster in hurdles. Our mile relay didn't have a leg there and we still ran the same time we had. The guy we had improve the most over the last couple of weeks was (pole vaulter) Brett Troxell. He cleared 12 feet. I think is best last year was nine feet. He's improved three feet from last year, so he is doing remarkably well."

The Harvesters won the 400-relay with a time of 43.95, four tenths of a second faster than last week. Pampa improved by two seconds in the 800-meter relay (1:33.68) placing first. Miller ran 15.17 in the 110-meter hurdles finishing first, 23 tenths of a second quicker. Other top performances included senior Robert Radke with a fifth place finish in the long jump (19'1.25") and a fifth place finish in the 3200-meter run (11:42.36). Senior Trent McAnear won the 3200-

meter and 1600-meter runs (11:06.54, 5:03.78). Sophomore Kody Maddox finished second in the 100-meter dash (11.42) and junior Zane Robles finished third (11.47).

The Lady Harvesters scored 106 points and were 11 points out of third place. Senior Kailyn Troxell finished second in the high jump (4'10") and sophomore Hayley Burnett finished fourth (4'8"). Freshman Madison Brown finished sixth in the triple jump (29'8.5"). Freshman Cheyenne Williams finished fifth in the discus (89'3") and second in the shot put (33'10"). Senior Rikki Earnest finished third with a throw of 32'9".

Junior J'Cee Holmes won the 3200-meter and the 1600-meter runs (12:32.77, 5:43.21). Junior Terra Truitt finished third in the 3200 and fourth in the 1600 (12:43.45, 5:56.40). Sophomore

Savanna Hulsey won the 100-meter hurdles (16.48).

Pampa finished fourth in the 400-meter relay (52.77), third in the 800-meter relay (1:53.61) and fourth in the 1600-meter relay (4:27.68).

The Harvesters and Lady Harvesters compete at Amarillo Highland Park for the Hornet Relays on Friday, the last meet before district on April 12 and 13. Smith said he likes where his team stands and is looking forward to district.

"It looks like right now Dalhart is the team that is scoring the most points," Smith said. "I looked at results of other track meets and Borger is starting to rack up times in the 400 and mile relay. Perryton's distance crew is coming along really well. It's going to be a good track meet when they come to Pampa."

Head coach Corse praises PHS tennis after Amarillo relays

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The Pampa Harvesters tennis team brought home several medals after a strong performance in the Amarillo relays Saturday.

"This weekend we pulled through and all the good work we are doing is starting to show," head coach Sarah Corse said. "I'm starting to think we are peaking at the right time."

Junior Makayla Hampton won the girls singles

tournament. Sophomore Emily Terry and junior Maddie Fatheree finished second in girls doubles. Junior Diamond Marrufo and freshman Genevieve Zavla finished 12. Sophomore Harley Elliott finished 14th in girls singles.

Senior David Moore finished fifth in boys singles. Junior Nick Nelson and senior Braden Russell won first in boys doubles. Seniors Logan and Landon Karbo finished second.

Seniors Collin McClendon and Delaney Clendening finished second in mixed doubles. Corse said they

pulled off a huge victory against a district rival.

"We beat the Borger team of Madden and Whitworth," Corse said. "We are going to have turn around and beat them again in district. That was a big win for them in confidence knowing they can win."

Junior Hunter Hucks and senior Elizabeth Terry finished 10th.

The Harvesters compete in district on April 10 and 11 at Pampa High School.

PERFECT PATRIOTS



photo courtesy of April Dyer

The Pampa Patriots, a coach pitch traveling team, shows off their rings after winning the Spring Classic Tournament in Canyon. The Patriots went 7-0 and won the championship with a walk-off home run by Samuel Anguiano. Team members are back from left: Cayson Steward, Brekyn Gaines, Hunter Nichols, Corbin Preston and Rhett Hill. Front row: Cole O'Dell, Sam Anguiano, Hunter Dyer and Armando Miranda.

Baylor's Griner hopes to lead Lady Bears to championship

DENVER (AP) — All season long, Baylor has been the best team led by the best player in the country.

And that just makes the stakes in Tuesday night's NCAA championship a little higher.

Anything short of a women's national title would be deemed a failure for Brittney Griner and her Lady Bears.

That may explain why Baylor hasn't focused on an undefeated season, nor on becoming the first team in NCAA history to win 40 games. Griner and her teammates just want to win the school's second title.

Standing in the way is Notre Dame, a team on a mission ever since losing in last year's championship to Texas A&M and sparked by maybe the nation's second-most dynamic player, All-American Skylar Diggins. The tournament's top

seed against No. 2. Just the way the selection committee drew it up.

"40-0 was never really the goal," said Griner at a news conference Monday. "We have team goals each year and our goal was to win a national championship."

"If you lose, you can't win a national championship. You've got to go 40-0 now."

Griner knows that despite the Lady Bears' incredible season, how it's judged will depend on Tuesday night.

"We don't have that ring yet," the 6-foot-8 junior phenom said. "That's the main goal. Until we get that, we're going to feel like we haven't really done anything."

The Irish know the feeling, having fallen just short last season to Texas A&M. Notre Dame (35-3) has been focused on getting back to this game all season long. Soon after

Diggins and her Notre Dame teammates arrived back in South Bend after the championship last year, the junior guard went to the locker room. She put up on the chalkboard in the locker room, "Unfinished Business: 76-70, 15:52," the time referring to the game's turning point.

"We've had one goal all season long," Diggins said. "We've wanted to get back here and play in this game."

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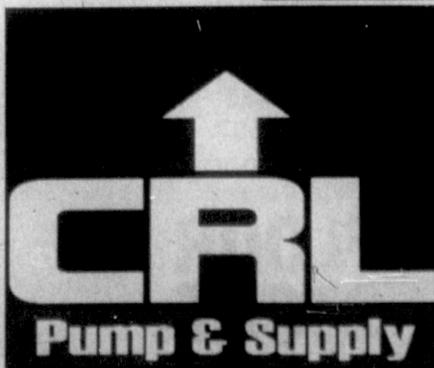
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Sports

Harvesters celebrate 2011-12 season, Miller's career

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On Sunday during the Pampa High School boys basketball banquet at Briarwood Full Gospel Church, players saw one era end and a new one begin as they celebrated coach Dustin Miller's final season and Matt Embry taking the reins of the program.

"I've never been more excited about the future of Harvester basketball," Miller said about Embry taking over. "I couldn't wish for anything else. It's the best thing that could happen for (the freshman and junior varsity players) and for the returning guys. I feel like this program has life again, has excitement and steady crowds."

Miller resigned in February, shortly after the Harvesters were eliminated in the 3A playoffs. Embry was promoted last week after approval from the school board.

The basketball booster club gave Miller a collage with photos of players and McNeely Fieldhouse. Embry gave Miller a plaque listing the accomplishments of his career.

Embry said Miller taught him about more than just basketball.

"He taught me about being a husband and a father," Embry said.

Miller talked about last season's accomplishments and the disappointing end to the team's bi-district playoff game.

"It's the worst feeling in the world," Miller said. "They make a shot with no time left. You can't do anything about it but walk off the court and be classy. ... Those guys handled it admirably."

The Harvesters finished 19-9 and second in District 1-3A. Miller shared something about every player.

"In my mind (Derrek Pollard) should be the best player in our district next year," Miller said. "This thing will go as far as Derrek will go."

"(Latigo Collins) is a gym rat," Miller said. "He's always wanting to find a gym."

"(Taylor Kennedy) handled (the sixth man role) with absolute class," Miller said.

All of the seniors except Jesus Cabrales played for Miller when they were in third grade. At the end of the seniors' video, it showed picture of the seniors as third graders then dissolved to the present.

The varsity awards were presented. The Basketball program has four statistical awards and six that are voted on by the players.

Reid won the Visa Award for the third consecutive season by taking the most charges, accepting it before his dad finished talking about the award. The senior post also won the Assist Award and



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Boys Basketball award winners show off their plaques. From left: Senior Jesus Cabrales (I am Third), Senior Reid Miller (Visa, Assist and Defensive Player of the Year), senior Taylor Kennedy (Hustlin' Harvester), junior Derrek Pollard (Rebound), junior Tyler Powell (Most Improved), senior Cole Engle (Free Throw and Offensive Player of the Year) and senior Latigo Collins (Offensive Player of the Year and Most Valuable Player.

Defensive Player of the Year.

Senior Cole Engle won the Free Throw Award and was co-Offensive Player of the Year. Senior Latigo Collins also won Offensive Player of the Year and the Most Valuable Player. Junior Derrek Pollard won the Rebound Award, who showed his confidence in earning the award by rising to accept the plaque before his name was called.

"Here's the reality: Ten rebounds separated you and Reid," Miller joked. "The game that won it for you was the last game at Perryton."

Junior Tyler Powell won Most Improved Player Award. Senior Jesus Cabrales won the I am Third Award for putting others before himself. Kennedy won the Hustlin' Harvester Award.

Cabrales made a presentation to the 2013 seniors giving them keys to remind them to continue the tradition.

"(The 2012 seniors') challenge to you is to not let this slide and forget how hard each of us worked," Cabrales said. "As seniors, it's your responsibility to keep this foundation solid."

Freshman coach Dennis Doughty and junior varsity coach Embry talked about their teams.

"Enthusiastic improvement would be the best two words to describe these young men," Doughty said. "Record-wise this was the best JV basketball team that we had," Embry said.

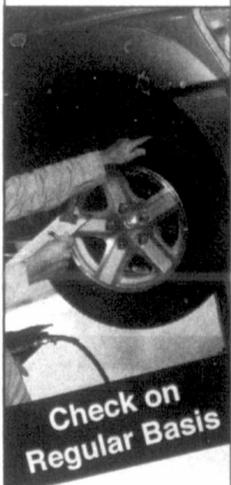
The banquet ended with a highlight video from the season.

CORRECTION

In Monday's sports page the photographer of the softball photo was erroneously identified. The photo should have been credited to Charla Shults. *The Pampa News* apologizes for the error.

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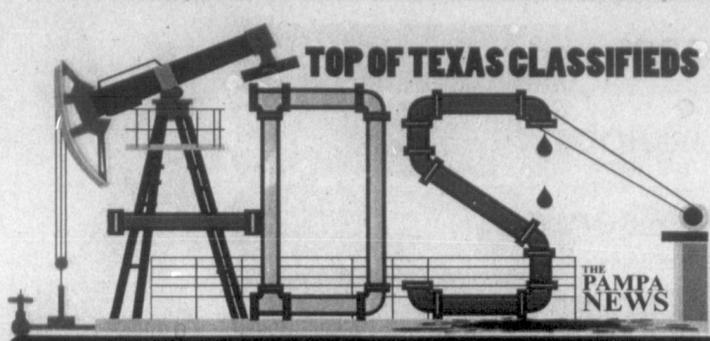
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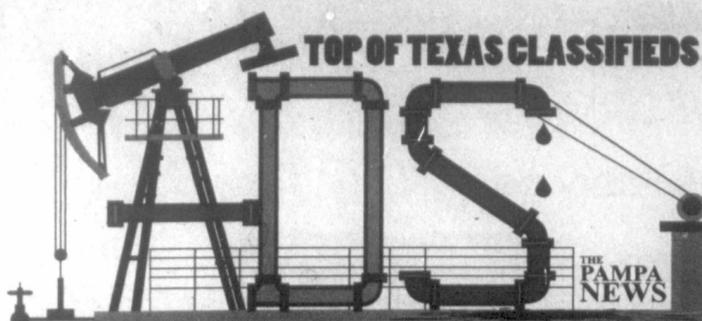
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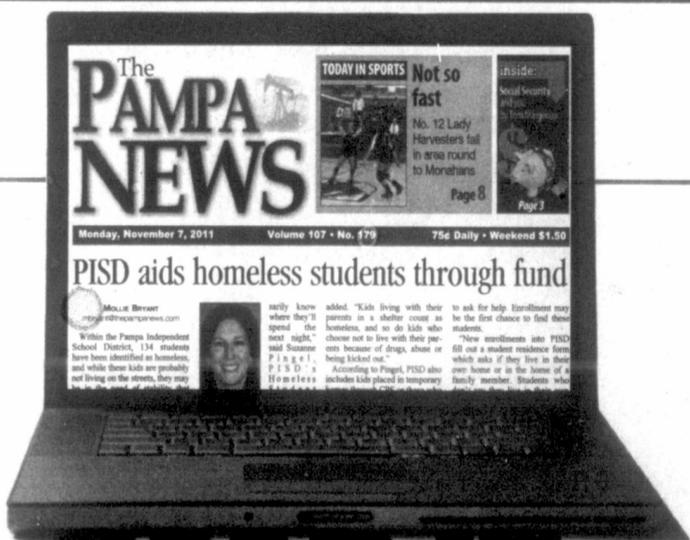
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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I have been separated from my husband, "Fred," for several months because of his infidelity. He is pushing to move back in together and has been very insecure and overly clingy. He constantly accuses me of not paying enough attention to him, no matter what I do or how much time I spend with him.

Fred and I have two children, so this has been difficult for all of us. But I'm frustrated with his disrespect for my space and seriously considering divorce. I want to tell him, but I'm worried about his reaction since he cries every time I mention anything that implies that I might "give up on us." He was married once before, and told me that he had to stay with his brother for a while afterward to make sure he wouldn't hurt himself.

His family lives 400 miles away, and he wants to visit them soon. Would it be wrong of me to call him while he's there and tell him it's over? I feel he'll need support when he gets the news, and I don't want him to be alone. He's a good father and good friend. I do love and care about him, and don't want him to do anything that will hurt himself or his children, but I can't stay married to someone who cheats on me. Any suggestions? -- TORN

IN PIECES

DEAR TORN: To stay married to someone because you think he might hurt himself would be giving in to emotional blackmail. Fred is clingy and needy because he now realizes what his cheating may have cost him. Of course it's a turn-off.

However, before ending the marriage, it's important that you understand your disgust with him is mixed with your anger at his betrayal. That's why you could both benefit -- and communicate more honestly and safely -- if you schedule some appointments with a licensed marriage and family counselor. If, during that time, you decide you still want a divorce, the place to tell him would be in the therapist's office. You won't be alone. He will have emotional support, and his family can be told immediately afterward.

DEAR ABBY: I am a 46-year-old married man and have been with my wife for 23 years. We were both married before and have two children from our prior marriages. Our children are now grown and live their own lives.

I have recently learned that I'm terminally ill and, as I come to the end of my journey here on Earth, I

need some advice. My son, 26, does not know he's not my biological child. His mother was pregnant when she met me and we never told him. As I make my final preparations, I am conflicted as to whether I should. How do I address this? Or do I even address it at all?

If I do it before I pass away, I'm afraid he will be upset and angry and turn away from me. If I do it afterward, via taped video message or handwritten letter, I won't be there to answer the questions he's bound to have. Where do I go from here, Abby? -- UNSURE IN MISSOURI

DEAR UNSURE: Please accept my sympathy for your poor prognosis. Your situation is regrettable, but please don't shoulder all the blame. Your first wife shares some of it, too.

The young man has the right to know that, while you love him and have raised him as your own, he isn't your biological child. He should be told before your death, in person, and nothing should be left out. If possible, his mother should participate in the conversation. And if she knows who the father is, your son should have access to an accurate family medical history.

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 In the cards
- 6 Sandbar
- 11 Full of energy
- 12 Keyed up
- 13 Slows down and stops
- 15 English article
- 16 Golf goal
- 17 Scoundrel
- 18 Fish in a can
- 20 Pupil's place
- 21 Inquire
- 22 Tavern order
- 23 Electronics piece
- 26 Seasonal ailments
- 27 Historic times
- 28 Sizzling
- 29 In favor of
- 30 Sewer entry
- 34 Ones with power
- 35 Ancient
- 36 Kilmer of "The Doors"
- 37 Is remembered
- 40 Singer Cara
- 41 Kitchen cooker

DOWN

- 42 Looks after
- 43 Ranch animal
- 1 Almanac fill
- 2 Hilo hello
- 3 Stop-watch
- 4 Second person
- 5 Loathe
- 6 Mall business
- 7 That lady
- 8 Like a short film
- 9 Rated gold
- 10 Some mail

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- 23 Campaign topic
- 24 Smelter's need
- 25 Galley workers
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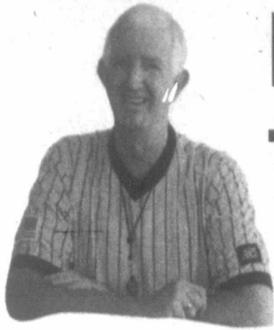
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