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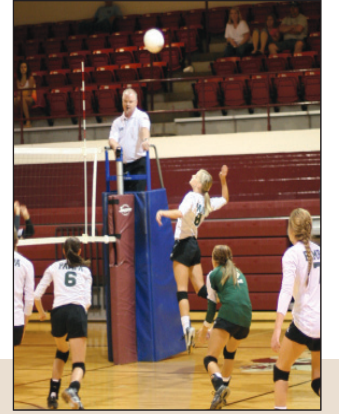
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The 2012 Top O' Texas Rodeo results are in

'Saturday night was overwhelming.'



Everybody loves a parade.

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In the words of Top O' Texas Rodeo Office Manager Cindy Kempf: "Wow." The 66th Annual Top O' Texas rodeo Aug. 9-11 attracted astounding crowds and singled out incredibly talented champions.



This year's parade for the 66th annual Top O' Texas Rodeo took a different turn - literally. On the last day of the rodeo on Saturday, August 11, it began on the 1000 block of North Somerville going south through downtown, and ended at the train depot on Atchison. However, this year there was a longer route than previously.

The packed stands at the Top O' Texas Bowers Arena were testament to the success of this year's event, officials said. "Saturday night was overwhelming," Kempf said in an email. "The success was due to the combined efforts of Chambers (of Commerce) events downtown."

This year's event also included an emcee, live music and free hamburgers for participants. Debbie Heiser, president of the Downtown Business Association, thanked the community, sponsors and Top O' Texas Rodeo for making rodeo-related events — such as the bounce houses, vendors and performing bands downtown — successful.

In particular, the parade was a huge draw. Organizations such as the Pampa Chamber of Commerce, the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association, the La Pampa Square, the Pampa Economic Development Corporation and the city of Pampa were also responsible for that success, officials said.

Top O' Texas Association Parade Results Aug. 11, 2012

Total rodeo attendance was 4,373, which is 771 attendees over last year. Saturday alone was 2,176, Kempf said. Wow, indeed.

1. Best Civic Club Or Organization
 First place: House of Cheer
 Second Place: Cal Farley's Boy's Ranch

This year was an excellent year for the three-day-and-a-slack rodeo, Robert Douglas, President of the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association, has said.

2. Antique Tractor
 First Place: James Hash
 Second Place: Bob Doucette

Douglas has said the downtown parade was amazing, as was seeing a female bull rider and two girls who double mugged. Plus, Carly Richardson, who won the barrel race is a hometown girl and the boy who won bull riding Cody Atwood, was raised in Pampa, Douglas has said.

3. Most Attractive Commercial Entry
 First Place: Flogistix
 Second Place: Wayne's Western Wear

As a public service, the Pampa News is running the final results for the Top O' Texas Rodeo again:

Final Results 2012 Top O' Texas Rodeo

Bareback Bronc Riding
 Shane Hand - 72 points Weatherford, OK.
 Wes Cambell - 70 points
 Steer wrestling
 Colt Stearns - 4.6 seconds Freedom, OK.
 Saddle Bronc Riding
 Audie Reed -71 points-Spearman TX.
 Mutton Bustin
 Carter McLaughlin - 64 points - Pampa, TX.
 Colton Bolton - 63 points - White Deer, TX.
 Lance Dyer - Pampa, TX.
 Calf Roping
 Patrick Bellis - 9.3 seconds Hobbs, NM.
 Breakaway Roping
 Heidi Hazen - 2.6 seconds - Ashland, TX
 Carly Richardson - 2.6 seconds - Pampa, TX.
 Ranch Bronc Riding
 John Kelly Walden - 75 points - Amarillo, TX
 Team Roping
 Rusty Slavin / Travis Goad-5.2 seconds
 Adam Worthen / Shane Goad-5.4 seconds
 Rusty Slavin / Shane Goad-5.6 seconds
 Brice Bennet / davey hodge-12.6 seconds
 Vic Morrison / Chance Fraiser-15.7 seconds
 Double Mugging
 Tanner Cochran, Carl Vigil, Robbie Cochran - 22.19 Barrel Race
 Carley Richardson - 17.287seconds Pampa, TX.
 Bull Riding
 Cody Atwood - 82 points Decatur, TX.



4. Best Riding Club
 First Place*: White Deer Riding Club
 Second Place: Sand & Sage Riding Club
 * Note: Top O'Texas Rodeo Association originally won first, but they withdrew from the contest.



5. Classic Cars
 First Place: Allen Snapp
 Second Place: Lloyd Green
 Third Place: Jennifer Marlar

6. Most Typical Ranch Entry
 First Place: Single Tree Ranch

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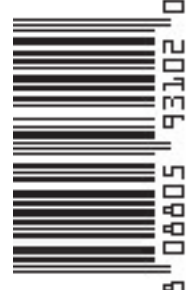
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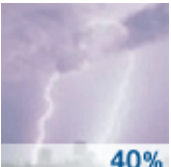
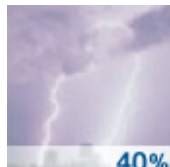

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PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Saturday	Sunday
		
40%	40%	30%
High 83 Low 64	High 83 Low 61	High 81 Low 62

Today: Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 83. East wind around 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40%.

Tonight: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 64. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Saturday: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 83. West southwest wind 5 to 15 mph.

Saturday Night: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 61. Northeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Sunday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 8 a.m. Partly sunny, with a high near 81. North northeast wind 5 to 15 mph.

Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 62. East northeast wind around 10 mph becoming south southeast after midnight.

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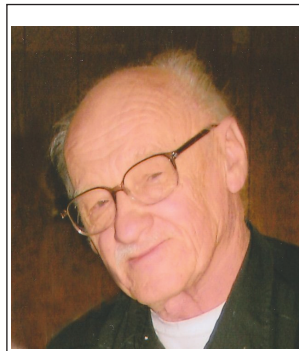
Joe Doyle

Joe Doyle, 72, of Pampa died August 16, 2012 in McLean, Texas. A Private family burial was held at Highland Park Cemetery in Borger, under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Doyle was born June 13, 1940 in Manhattan, New York. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1967. He married Beth Eldridge on May 2, 1969 in Pampa. He worked in the oilfield, Pampa Independent School District, City of Pampa sanitation department, the Pampa Mall and WalMart, retiring in 2009. He attended Central Baptist Church. He will be remembered as a loving husband, father and grandfather, and he was especially proud of his role as a grandfather.

Survivors include his wife: Beth Doyle of McLean; 2 daughters: LaDonna Umburger of St. Petersburg, Florida and Melba Leitch of Pampa; a grandson: Charles Tooley and companion Halee Green of Pampa; a granddaughter: Liz Alvaraz of St. Petersburg, Florida; and 3 great-grandchildren. Joe was preceded in death by 2 sisters: Joanie Doyle and Sheila Doyle; and his son-in-law: Robert Leitch, III.

Sign the on-line register at www.carmichael-whatley.com.



Doyle

August 24, 1991 in Amarillo, and attended schools in Pampa. She loved her family, especially the babies, and she loved her animals, especially her dog "Midnight."

Survivors include a brother: Robert Tidwell of Pampa; grandmother: Dianna Tidwell of Pampa; grandfather: Don Tidwell of Pampa; great-grandmother: Artie Tidwell of Wheeler; great-grandparents: Jean and James Hammer of Bowie; her uncle: Jeff Tidwell and wife Junia of Pampa; numerous great uncles, great aunts and many cousins. She was preceded in death by her mother: Brenda Tidwell; her great-grandfather: J. T. Tidwell; and an uncle: Terry Tidwell.

MEMORIALS: Pampa Sheltered Workshop, P.O. Box 2808, Pampa, Texas 79066-2808

SPECIAL NOTICE: The family will receive friends at 1828 N. Zimmers.

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Isauro Salcido

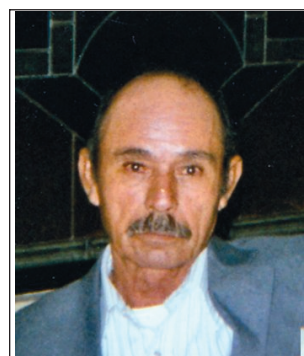
Isauro Salcido, 72, died August 15, 2012 in Pampa. Services will be 6 p.m. Friday, August 17, 2012, at Casa del Alfarero, with Pastor Augustine Vasquez, officiating.

Burial will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, August 18, 2012 at Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Salcido was born February 2, 1940 in La Cruz, Chihuahua, Mexico. He had been a resident of Pampa since 2004. He married Ixtlacihualt Loya on April 28, 1960 in Saucillo, Chihuahua, Mexico. He worked at West Texas landscaping for several years before retiring.

Survivors include his wife: Ixtlacihualt Loya de Salcido of the home; 10 children: Julia, Rosa Simone, Jaime, Isela, Teresa, Blanca, Gustavo, Gabriel and Eder Salcido; 23 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren.

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Salcido

Laci Diane Tidwell

Laci Diane Tidwell, 20, of Pampa died August 15, 2012 in Lubbock, Texas. Grave-side services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, August 17, 2012, at Fairview Cemetery, with C. J. Frazier of Paint This Tow Red, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Miss Tidwell was born



Tidwell

For the record

Pampa Police Department

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the period starting midnight on Wednesday, Aug. 15 and ending at 6:30 a.m. on Thursday, Aug. 16.

Pampa PD reported 19 traffic-related incidents.

Animal Control agents and Pampd PD reported 14 animal-related incidents.

Pampa EMS, Pampa PD and the Lefors Volunteer EMS responded to three medical calls.

Wednesday, Aug. 15
A suspicious vehicle was reported.

A suspicious person was reported at the 100 block of South Starkweather and the 800 block of East Malone.

A theft occurred at the 2600 block of North Seminole.

A suspicious person was reported at Somerville and Kingsmill.

A burglary of a motor vehicle occurred at the 100 block of North Hobart.

A theft was reported at the 200 block of West 28th.

A theft was reported. Credit card abuse was reported.

A suspicious person was reported at the 1100 block of South Dwight.

A violation of city ordinance occurred at Beryl and Canadian.

A burglary occurred at the 600 block of North Magnolia.

A suspicious person was reported at the 700 block of East Murphy.

A suspicious vehicle was reported at the 2300 block of North Dogwood.

Suspicious persons were reported at the intersection of Evergreen and 18th and the 1000 block of South Christy.

Thursday, Aug. 16
A violation of city ordinance occurred at the 400 block of Lefors.

Suspicious persons were reported at the 1300 block of North Coffee and the intersection of Bradley and Jordan.

A violation of city ordinance occurred at the 400

block of North Lefors.

Gray County Sheriff's Department

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 24 hour period ending Thursday, Aug. 16 at 7 a.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 15
Aaron Michael Pennington, 32, was arrested by deputies for assault causing bodily injury.

James Dowel Hayes, 53, was arrested by police for theft by check.

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Amarillo dentist indicted for fraud

AMARILLO (AP) — A Texas dentist who also sees patients in Indiana has been indicted in an alleged \$1.5 million Medicaid scheme.

Prosecutors in Amarillo say 63-year-old Dr. Michael David Goodwin was indicted Wednesday on 11 counts of health care fraud.

Investigators say the Amarillo orthodontist, who also practices in Crown Point, Ind., billed the government program for more services than provided or for unnecessary procedures. The time frame was 2008 through March 2011.

The indictment says employees sometimes scheduled more than 100 patients per day at times when Goodwin was not to be in the office. Prosecutors say unqualified dental assistants did some procedures. Some dentists not enrolled in the Medicaid program allegedly provided care on behalf of Goodwin.

Goodwin could not immediately be reached for comment Thursday.

Ex-military pay accused agent

HOUSTON (AP) — An ex-Army pay agent from Texas has been accused of theft and fraud related to military invoices he processed in Iraq.

Prosecutors in Houston on Thursday announced the indictment of Abuzuike O. Ukabam (YOO'-kah-bahm) of Humble (UHM'-buhl). Investigators allege the former Army captain, who was arrested Wednesday in Los Angeles, stole about \$110,000.

A nine-count indictment returned July 30 and unsealed Wednesday charges Ukabam with wire fraud, theft of government property, money laundering and making false statements.

Ukabam in 2006 deployed to Iraq and processed invoices from Iraqi contractors working for the U.S. military.

Prosecutors accuse Ukabam of changing some totals, paying the contractor the original amount and keeping the difference.

Ukabam is expected to be returned to Houston.

Man gets life term for deaths

EDINBURG (AP) — A South Texas man must serve life in prison without parole for killing his common-law wife and her 12-year-old sister in a fight over his drug use.

A judge in Edinburg on Wednesday accepted the guilty plea from 24-year-old Raul Garza of Weslaco.

Garza pleaded guilty to capital murder of multiple persons in the May attack. The plea deal means Garza avoids a possible death penalty.

The victims were Veronica Serrano Rivera and her little sister, Elisa Rivera. The girl allegedly was raped during the deadly attack.

Deputies on May 6 found the bodies at Garza's home after his 5- and 6-year-old daughters were wandering nearby and one told a passer-by: "My mother is dead."

Authorities have said the argument that led to the killings was over Garza's cocaine abuse.

Group home fire kills three

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A fire at a San Antonio group home for the mentally disabled has left three male residents dead and one critically hurt.

Arson investigators were at the scene Thursday in an attempt to determine what started the house fire.

San Antonio Fire Department spokesman Christian Bove (BOHV) says a neighbor called 911 Wednesday night after seeing smoke and flames. Bove says the group caretaker and nine residents escaped unharmed.

Bove says the four victims were located on the second floor of the house. One man was dead at the scene, while two others were dead on arrival at a hospital.

Bove had no other details on the critically injured man, who remains hospitalized.

Texan gets prison for fake cash

HOUSTON (AP) — A Houston-area man has been sentenced to nearly 22 years in prison for passing almost \$500,000 in fake cash.

A federal judge in Houston on Wednesday sentenced 35-year-old Synaca Thomas of Cypress.

Thomas in January pleaded guilty to conspiracy to make and possess counterfeit currency, plus illegal possession of a firearm by a felon.

Investigators say Thomas and his wife would take genuine \$5 bills and reprint them to appear to be \$100 bills.

Brittany Jordan earlier pleaded guilty to conspiracy to make counterfeit currency and passing counterfeit currency. The 26-year-old woman is free on bond pending sentencing.

Prosecutors say the husband's punishment was enhanced because he attempted to smuggle contraband, which was disguised as candy, into a facility where he was being held.

Stripping old house paint the easy way

Dear Pat: I need to paint my house, which has wood siding. The paint is in pretty bad shape. What is the proper way to scrape and prepare the wood surface so the paint will stay on longer and look better? -- Colleen B.

Dear Colleen: You are thinking along the right lines. When people say they are going to paint their house, the painting phase is actually only about 10 percent of the project. The preparation takes, by far, the majority of the time and elbow grease. After all the preparation, the painting is the fun part of the job.

The proper steps when painting a house are washing, scraping, sanding, repairing, priming and then finally applying the finish topcoat of house paint. No matter how good the quality of the paint is, you cannot expect it to adhere to old, dirty, peeling paint. Paint must have a stable base.

First, wash the walls to remove dirt, grease and extremely loose paint chips. If you use a pressure washer to clean the walls, you must be careful because a pressure washer can do considerable damage. If a powerful stream of water is shot directly at the siding, it can force water into it and up under the siding. This is particularly true for two-story homes when are you directing the water stream up from the ground.

It is better to use the pressure washer on a low-power stream to distribute the cleaner over the walls and to later rinse them with fresh water. A solution of water, TSP (trisodium phosphate) and bleach (to kill mildew) is most effective. You must cover any vegetation near the house. Also, first totally saturate the ground near house with water to dilute any solution that runs off. Environmentally safe cleaners are also available, and I recommend them.

Once the cleaning solution is on the walls, give it time to work. It is best to do this washing in the early morning or late evening when there is no direct sun and less wind, so it will not dry quickly. Use the pressure washer on low power again to rinse the walls with fresh water.

When the walls are dry, it is time to start the scraping. There are several scraping options: hand scraper, power scraper, chemical



blades will dull quickly, making the job more difficult and increasing the possibility of damaging the wood.

strippers and heat strippers. Hand scraping is the most work, but it is still the most effective method to remove layers of old, deteriorating paint.

A good-quality hand scraper will have a handle and a tall knob. It is designed to be a two-handed operation. Always pull the scraper toward your body. This provides more force and less chance it will dig into the wood and damage it. Select a scraper with a hard carbide blade instead of an inexpensive, mild steel blade. The steel

Once you have all the loose paint removed, sand the surface. This serves two purposes. First, it provides a slightly roughened surface to which the primer can adhere better. Second, it will feather the edges along the spots where the old paint has peeled off. Repair any bad spots with wood repair materials or even automobile body filler. Paint the surface with a good primer selected for the type of topcoat paint you will use.

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Painting Prep

After years of withstanding the elements, your house will start to look tired. When that happens, an easy way to bring it back to life is by painting it.



- 1** First, cover electrical fixtures, plants and shrubs with a dropcloth before spraying.
- 2** Remove dirt and debris from the siding with a pressure washer and TSP cleaner. The pressure washer should be set on a low pressure setting (300 psi), with a 45-degree-angle jet. Using higher pressure could soak into the area behind the siding and cause problems later.
- 3** Use a garden hose to rinse away the soapy water and cleaners. Be sure to remove all the soap before it dries. Work from the top down to prevent streaks.
- 4** Check for trouble spots that are covered in mildew, mold or other contaminants. Kill mold and mildew with a solution mix of one part chlorine bleach to three parts warm water.
- 5** Make sure siding is dry, then sand and scrape peeling paint to bare wood. Prime exposed areas, and repaint. Let dry for 24 hours before painting.

Source: Spring-Green

Creators.com/Bob Kast

Fort Hood trial on hold over beard

FORT HOOD (AP) — For the past two months, the military judge presiding over the high-profile case of the Army psychiatrist charged in the deadly 2009 Fort Hood shooting rampage has said he wanted to avoid disruptions in court.

So after Maj. Nidal Hasan showed up for a June pretrial hearing wearing a beard, a violation of Army regulations, Col. Gregory Gross banned him from the courtroom until he shaves.

Now Hasan's facial hair has become a bigger disruption than anyone might have foreseen. All hearings and the murder trial, set to start next week, were put on hold Wednesday while an appeals court considers Hasan's objections to being forcibly shaved.

The delay is frustrat-

ing for many involved in the case, although some victims' relatives say they have grown accustomed to waiting for the trial to start. It's been almost three years since the shooting rampage left 13 dead and more than two dozen wounded on the Texas Army post.

"I stopped holding my breath a long time ago as far as expecting to get any closure regarding the trial," said Leila Hunt Willingham, whose brother Jason Dean "J.D." Hunt was among those killed Nov. 5, 2009.

Gross has not allowed Hasan to stay in the courtroom, saying the beard is a disruption. However, in late July Gross said he wanted Hasan in the room during the court-martial to prevent a possible appeal on the issue if he is con-

victed. He said Hasan would be forcibly shaved before the trial if he didn't shave the beard himself.

Hasan, an American-born Muslim, won't shave because the beard is an expression of his faith, defense attorneys have said. Hasan also has had a premonition that his death is imminent, his attorneys said.

"He does not wish to die without a beard as he believes not having a beard is a sin," one of Hasan's attorneys wrote in his appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces.

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Viewpoints

Today in History

August 17 is the 229th day of the year (230th in leap years) in the Gregorian calendar. There are 136 days remaining until the end of the year.

EVENTS

986 – A Byzantine army is destroyed in the pass of Trajan's Gate by the Bulgarians under the Comitopuli Samuel and Aron. The Byzantine emperor Basil II narrowly escaped.

1807 – Robert Fulton's North River Steamboat leaves New York City for Albany, New York on the Hudson River, inaugurating the first commercial steamboat service in the world.

1862 – American Indian Wars: The Dakota War of 1862 begins in Minnesota as Lakota warriors attack white settlements along the Minnesota River.

1862 – American Civil War: Major General J.E.B. Stuart is assigned command of all the cavalry of the Confederate Army of Northern Virginia.

1863 – American Civil War: In Charleston, South Carolina, Union batteries and ships bombard Confederate-held Fort Sumter.

1864 – American Civil War: Battle of Gainesville – Confederate forces defeat Union troops near Gainesville, Florida.

1883 – The first public performance of the Dominican Republic's national anthem, Himno Nacional.

1907 – Pike Place Market, a popular tourist destination and registered historic district in Seattle, opened.

1908 – Fantasmagorie, the first animated cartoon, created by Émile Cohl, is shown in Paris.

1914 – World War I: Battle of Stallupönen – The German army of General Hermann von François defeats the Russian force commanded by Pavel Rennenkampf near modern-day Nesterov, Russia.

1915 – Jewish American Leo Frank is lynched for the alleged murder of a 13-year-old girl in Marietta, Georgia, United States.

1915 – A Category 4 hurricane hits Galveston, Texas with winds at 135 miles per hour (217 km/h).

1918 – Bolshevik revolutionary leader Moisei Uritsky is assassinated.

1942 – World War II: U.S. Marines raid the Japanese-held Pacific island of Makin (Butaritari).

1943 – World War II: The U.S. Eighth Air Force suffers the loss of 60 bombers on the Schweinfurt–Regensburg mission.

1943 – World War II: The U.S. Seventh Army under General George S. Patton arrives in Messina, Italy, followed several hours later by the British 8th Army under Field Marshal Bernard L. Montgomery, thus completing the Allied conquest of Sicily.

1943 – World War II: First Québec Conference of Winston Churchill, Franklin D. Roosevelt, and William Lyon Mackenzie King begins.

1943 – World War II: The Royal Air Force begins Operation Hydra, the first air raid of the Operation Crossbow strategic bombing campaign against Germany's V-weapon programme.

1945 – Sukarno and Mohammad Hatta proclaim the independence of Indonesia, igniting the Indonesian National Revolution against the Dutch Empire.

1947 – The Radcliffe Line, the border between Union of India and Dominion of Pakistan is revealed.

1950 – Hill 303 massacre: American POWs were massacred by North Korean Army.

1953 – Addiction: First meeting of Narcotics Anonymous in Southern California.

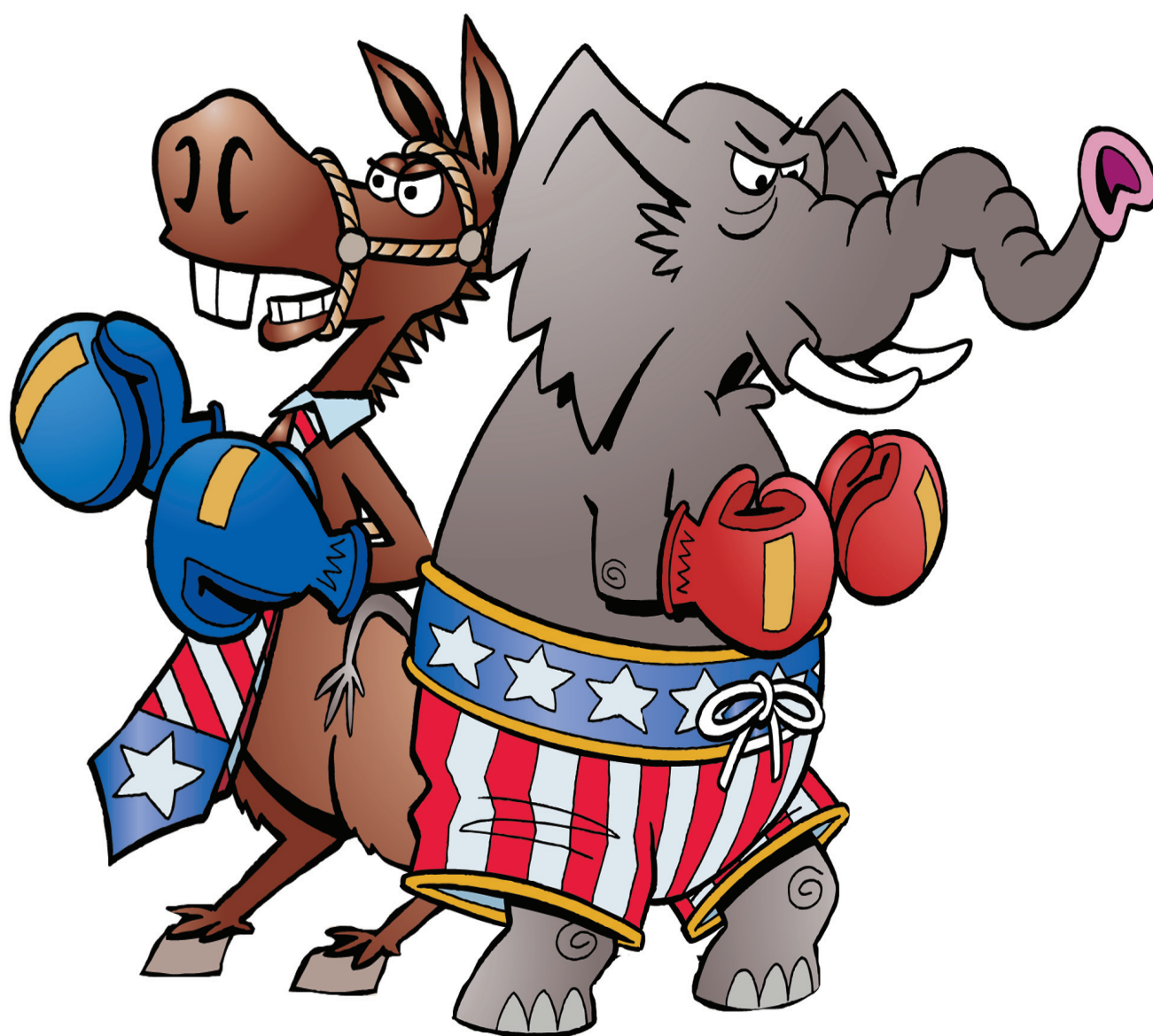
1958 – Pioneer 0, America's first attempt at lunar orbit, is launched using the first Thor-Able rocket and fails. Notable as one of the first attempted launches beyond Earth orbit by any country.

1959 – Quake Lake is formed by the magnitude 7.5 1959 Yellowstone earthquake near Hebgen Lake in Montana.

1959 – Kind of Blue by Miles Davis, the much acclaimed and highly influential best selling jazz recording of all time, is released.

1960 – Decolonization: Gabon gains independence from France.

1962 – East German border guards kill 18-year-old Peter Fechter as he attempts to cross the Berlin Wall into West Berlin becoming one of the first victims of the wall.



DECISION PAMPA: 2012

Letter to the Editor

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Dear Editor,

For the second time this year someone has placed two large black trash bags

full of soft drink cans on the north side of my garage, the first time I was confused and angry, now I think they are really helping a friend, but they

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B.J. Carothers

Bill O'Reilly: Are you an extremist?



BILL O'REILLY
Columnist

After Rep. Paul Ryan was announced as Mitt Romney's running mate, it took less than 24 hours for The New York Times to define Ryan as an "extremist." In a lead editorial, the paper bannered this sub-headline: "With no plan of his own, Mr. Romney can't distance himself from Mr. Ryan's extremist vision."

That "vision" would be federal spending cuts and entitlement reform.

While chairman of the House Budget Committee, Ryan sent two spending bills to the House, both of which passed but

were killed in the Senate, which is controlled by the Democrats. The bills cut federal programs across the board. Ryan is also a fan of reforming Medicare and Social Security, which are going bankrupt.

In the bubble that is the liberal media, trimming government spending and making entitlements more fiscally viable (SET ITAL) are (END ITAL) extreme positions. That's somewhat ironic because President Obama's strategy of massive government spending and borrowing is perhaps the most extreme economic plan in the nation's history. Never before has the USA run up such an enormous debt and had so little to show for it.

So defining Ryan as extreme is an interesting scare tactic -- and one that might be extended in the days to come. Here are some other positions that the committed left media consider extreme:

--If you believe traditional marriage should be kept as the exclusive

standard, you are not only extreme; you are a homophobe.

--If you believe all Americans should pay less in taxes, you are greedy and an anti-poor extremist.

--If you believe the Second Amendment gives Americans the right to buy and possess guns, you are promoting violence in an extreme way.

--If you believe the government has a duty to combat overseas terrorists without giving them constitutional protections, you are an extreme anti-human rights individual.

--If you believe abortion is the taking of a human life, you are an anti-woman extremist.

--If you support securing the nation's borders and regulating immigration, you are anti-Hispanic.

The list goes on and on. By labeling someone as extreme, you can dismiss whatever they say. That's the strategy being used against Ryan. New York Times columnist Maureen Dowd writes:

"Ryan should stop being so lovable. People who intend to hurt other people should wipe the smile off their faces."

So in Dowd's estimation, Ryan is in politics to harm the folks. He gets up every day and plots the personal damage he might be able to achieve.

This is now where we are in American politics. If Ryan's reform vision will harm Americans, let's hear some specifics. So far, under Obama, we have a sluggish economy, high employment and record debt. Sounds harmful to me.

But then again, I'm an extremist

Veteran TV news anchor Bill O'Reilly is host of the Fox News show "The O'Reilly Factor" and author of the book "Pinheads and Patriots: Where You Stand in the Age of Obama." To find out more about Bill O'Reilly, and read features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate web page at www.creators.com. This column originates on the website www.billoreilly.com

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Meet and greet



School Board Members Dana Terry and Lee Porter, PISD Personnel Director Robert Rumph, Mayor Brad Pingel, Pampa Chamber of Commerce Director Jane Steele, and Superintendent David Young.



Carmelita Gage and Deputy Superintendent Eddie Gage.



Superintendent David Young.

Reception



Pampa Independent School District had a reception for all their new employees recently. The Chamber's Goldcoats were there to welcome them. L-R: Roy Morriss, Sheila Webb, Debbie Heiser, Charles Henry, Darville Orr

Pampa's 'Dog the Bounty Hunter' denied UK entry

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Pampa native "Dog the Bounty Hunter" Duane Chapman might have tracked down fugitives on his A&E reality show, but his recent good deeds can't erase his ugly past.

Chapman was supposed to star in the United Kingdom's new series "Celebrity Big Brother" but, according to The Guardian, the UK Border Agency denied him a visa due to his involvement in the 1976 murder of Jerry Oliver in Pampa.

Oliver was shot dead by one of Chapman's friends during a marijuana deal gone array. Chapman waited outside in a car during the time Oliver was killed. He was convicted of first-degree murder and was sentenced to five years in prison. However, he only served 18 months.

Chapman admitted his wrongdoing to The Guardian and claimed to have altered his ways since then.

"I should not have been there, that's that," he said.

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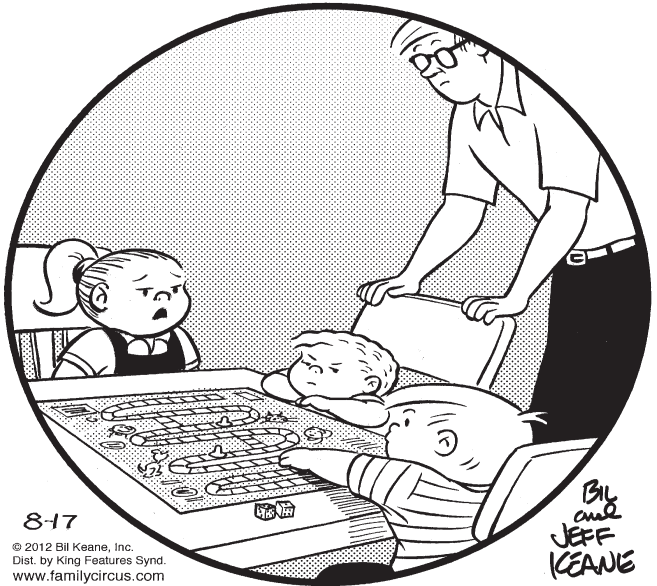
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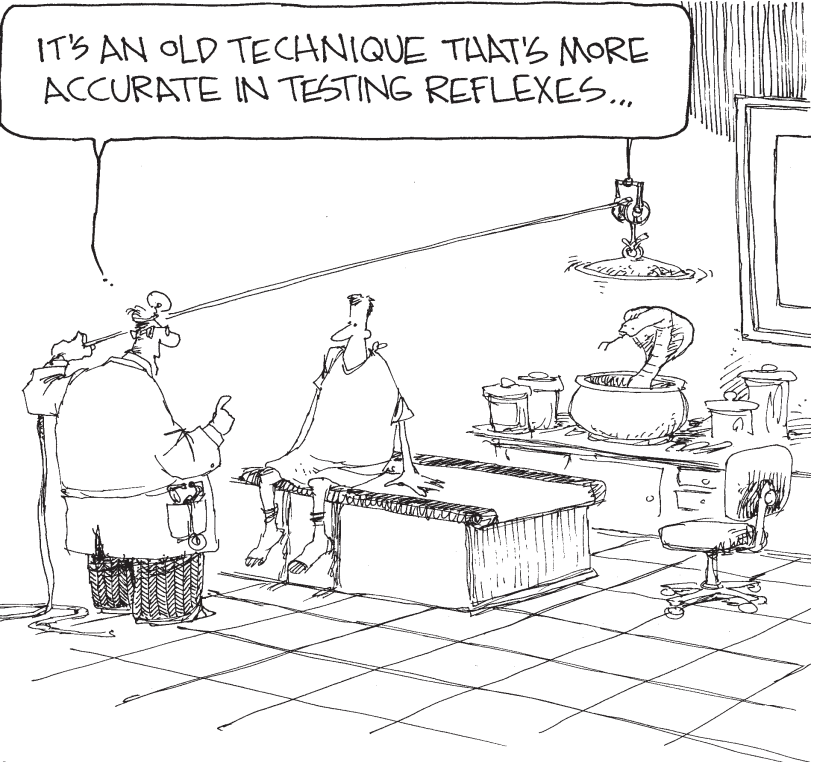
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Nest Heads



daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Saturday, Aug. 18, 2012:

This year you might be unusually focused on your financial well-being. Perhaps you see a new path open up and decide to walk down it. A friend or loved one also might offer a different approach. If you are single, a friendship is significant to a key relationship. You could meet someone through a friend, or the very nature of a friendship could change. If you are attached, the two of you become an even stronger entity. You will enjoy socializing together, as well as being alone with each other. VIRGO can be so fussy!

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)

★★★★ Everyone has limits, including you. The tendency to test them can be rewarding, yet frustrating at the same time. Return calls before formalizing any plans. Go with something spontaneous, and be open to trying something new. Tonight: Honor your energy level.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ You seem to be naturally inventive and creative. Realize what is going on with a friend or family member. He or she might be intimidated by the experience. You could assume a risk that you normally don't have to, and perhaps you won't even care. Tonight: Paint the town red.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Plans you made during the week might not be suitable any longer. You simply need a change of pace. Many of you simply may want to stay at home or be close to home. Whether you're deep into a project or need extra rest, it makes little difference. Tonight: A friend surprises you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Visit with a friend you rarely have time for. It is as if you were never apart once you meet up with each other. Screen calls if you want to stay free. A boss, relative or older friend could be reaching out for you. Tonight: Hang wherever and with whomever you want.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Be sensitive to your needs and to how far you can extend yourself and still feel comfortable. You might be planning a trip, but be aware of the cost -- it might be a little too much to absorb. In the long run, you just want to relax. Tonight: A little

moderation goes a long way.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Your actions are in tune with those around you. An older relative or friend expresses his or her delight at spending some time with you in the near future. A loved one surprises you with his or her reaction. Tonight: Whatever knocks your socks off.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ You might not be in the mood to socialize and be the normally charming Libra. Rather than impose your company on someone, change plans accordingly. There is nothing wrong with needing some personal time. Tonight: Do your thing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Join friends at a baseball game or the beach. Fun naturally happens when you are out with this particular group of friends. A dear friend or loved one does the unexpected. Smile and go with the flow. Tonight: Go for what you want.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Accept your role in a get-together or with a project. You might want more free time; however, this might not be possible if you are fulfilling your commitments. A friend or loved one gives you a supportive boost. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Reach out to someone you might not see for long periods of time but who means a lot to you. Your calls back and forth keep this bond strong. Move some plans around if need be, in order to free up extra time at home. Tonight: Let your mind wander at a movie or some music event.

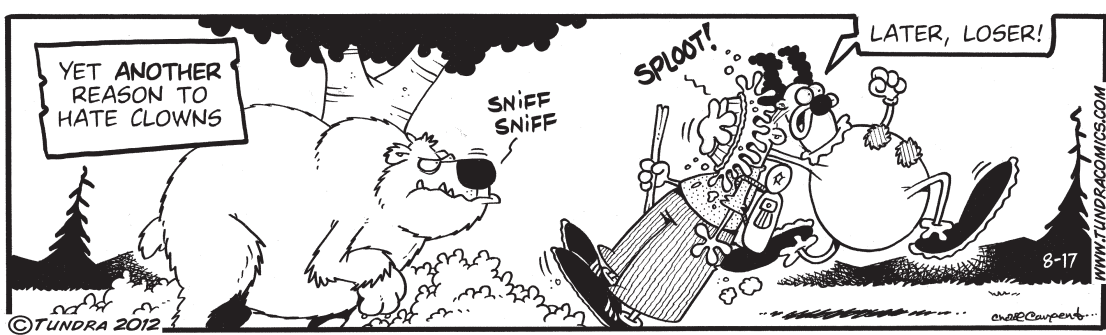
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ Deal with a friend or family member directly. Your attention means more than you might think, and it is helpful in resolving a misunderstanding. Use care when driving and when handling mechanical equipment, as you could be distracted. Tonight: Add some spice to a loved one's life.

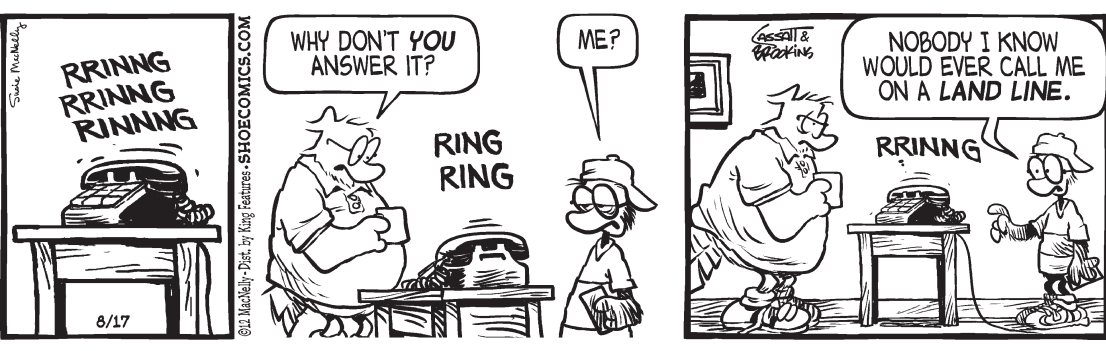
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Don't worry if you don't have plans. You will, as others seek you out. Follow through only on those invitations with people you enjoy and/or share a preferred pastime with. A friend or loved one shares special news with you. Tonight: At home.

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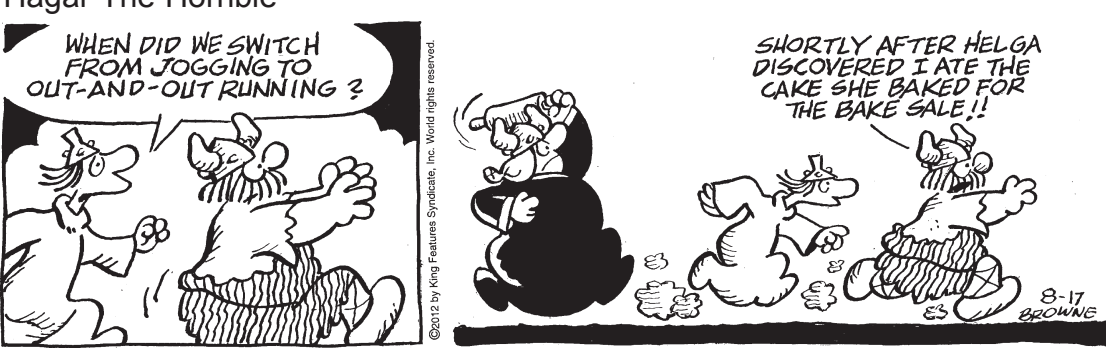
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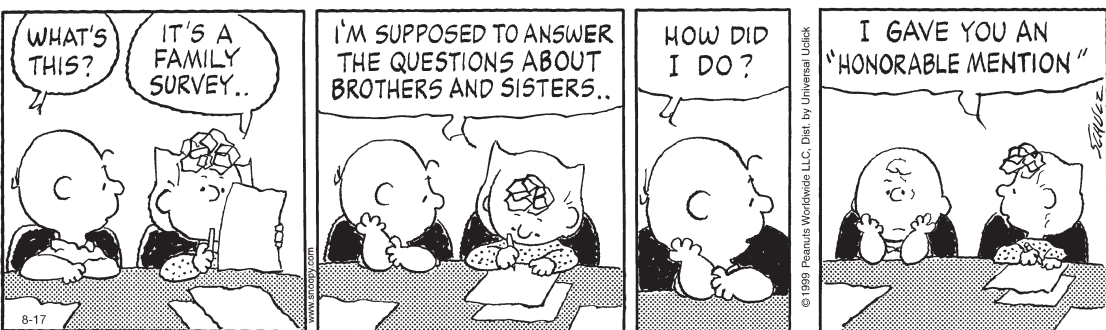
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Sports

Lady Harvesters open season

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The Lady Harvesters began their season playing Plainview and Lubbock Cooper in Tulia on Tuesday, August 14th.

The Harvesters showed brilliance in both games before being eventually edged out by both teams in the neutral site, non-conference games.

The next game for the Harvesters will be Friday and Saturday in the Randall Tournament.

The Tournament and non conference schedule continues until district play begins on September 20th.

The team is lead by first year coach Brooke Sanford.

The Lady Harvesters are looking forward to



photo courtesy of **Kristi Petty**

Calli Brewer spikes ball in the Opening Game of the 2012 Lady Harvesters Season. Pampa played both Plainview and Lubbock Cooper.

the new season after ending last season 17-6 and going a perfect 9-0 in the district and were

ranked number 15 in the state, according to Maxpreps a CBS News High School Web site.

World Series resident

Former Resident Caleb Davis shines in Playoffs

Former Pampa resident Caleb Davis recently played in both the Nations World Series Baseball Tournament in Beaumont, and the Pony Zone Baseball Tournament in Tampa, Florida. After moving from Pampa in June of 2011, he tried out for the Nederland Roughrider 12U Select Baseball team. He earned a spot as both catcher and centerfielder. As a Roughrider, their team qualified for the Nations World Series that was held July 9th - 15th. They were able to play six games before being eliminated.

During the same time, he was selected to play with the Orange, Texas Bronco Baseball All-star team. He earned a spot



photo courtesy of **Kim Davis**

Caleb Davis played in Nation World Series Tournament

as catcher, third baseman, and lead off batter. His team won the Coast Region baseball tournament held in Vidor, Texas winning the championship game against Tri-County. The team advanced to the Regional Tournament in Orange where they won the championship game against Stafford-Missouri City. For the first time in 30 years, the Orange All-stars advanced to the Zone

Tournament which was held in Tampa, Florida July 19th - 23rd. They played four games against some tough opponents before heading home. Corpus Christi advanced to the World Series in Monterey, California.

He is the son of John and Kim Davis and the grandson of May Davis and the late James Davis and Virginia Gooch and the late Lloyd Gooch and Marion Gooch.

Cowboys Whitten Injured

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — Dallas Cowboys tight end Jason Witten is hopeful that he will be ready to play in the season opener in three weeks.

Witten is dealing with a lacerated spleen sustained in the preseason opener.

"I'm doing all right. ... Stay optimistic. Take it one day at a time. Get healthy and regroup when we get back to Dallas," Witten said Thursday. "Obviously I would be hard pressed thinking I am not out there for the Giants game. Again, there is no

timetable."

The seven-time Pro Bowler got hurt in the preseason opener Monday night when he got hit after he caught a pass from a scrambling Tony Romo.

Witten is expected to miss the rest of the preseason for the Cowboys (No. 15 in the AP Pro32), starting with Saturday night's game at San Diego (No. 16). The regular-season opener is Sept. 5 at the defending Super Bowl champion New York Giants (No. 3).



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Maddie Fathree spikes against Lubbock Cooper as teammates cover her.

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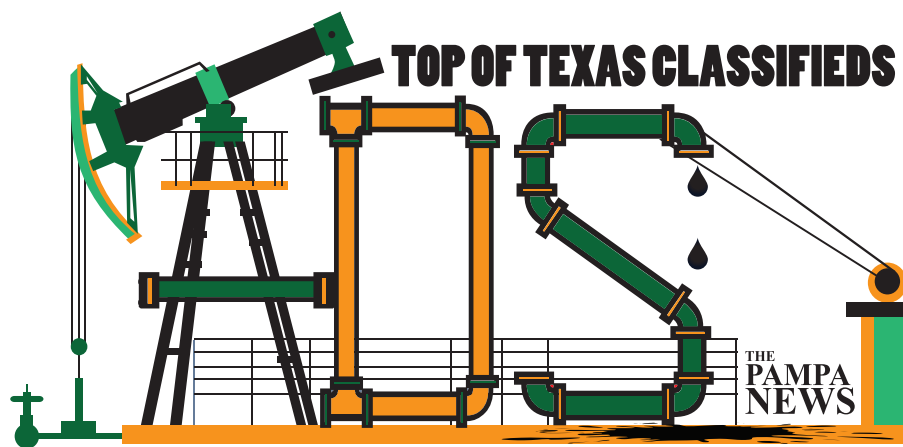
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Meeting the boss



Pampa High School Principal Tanya Larkin speaking with new members of her staff. Photo by Sherry Seabourn.

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