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Fire hits North Side
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Grass fire on North Side causes brief power outage

By **GAYDEN HAYS**
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Downed power lines east of the power station on Price Road — west of Walmart — are believed to have sparked a grass

fire Sunday afternoon that consumed roughly an acre of grass and caused a brief power outage affecting over 1,000 Excel Energy customers before firefighters put it out. There were no injuries

in the North Side fire, authorities said. “We were lucky to be able to keep the fire contained to one field,” explained Pampa Fire Capt. Jesse Hanes. “We are 99 percent sure that

downed fire lines started the fire.” Xcel Energy spokesman Wes Reeves said the power outage lasted between 3:39 p.m. to 4:07 p.m. and affected 1,081 Xcel customers.



Xcel workers at the scene of the fire.

North Side fire



Staff photos by **Gayden Hays**

Pampa firefighters worked quickly and efficiently Sunday afternoon to put out a fierce grass fire west of Walmart that consumed much of the foliage within an acre of its starting point in the area of North Price Road, north of town. There were no injuries.

Pampa EMS requests higher subsidy

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Because Pampa EMS — owned by the Emergency Services Foundation of Texas — has requested a higher subsidy than last year from the city and county, Gary Willoughby, president of ESFT and Gray County Commissioner, spoke to the Pampa City Commission at its meeting last Thursday.

This year, the EMS service is requesting \$100,200, which is about \$20,000 over what it received during the previous fiscal year.

“Rural ambulance services in America today are struggling,” said Willoughby. “They strive to either break even or go under. Right now, we’re at the break even point.”

Financially, the EMS has been in a complicated financial situation due to changes in ESFT, which recently sold its struggling Genesis Clinic to Pampa Regional Medical Center. Willoughby said that Pampa EMS incurred extra costs from “cleaning up” accounts comingled with the clinic. He also said that the EMS was improperly billed for construction at the heliport, but is currently receiving a reimbursement check from Bowers Construction.

All of this amounts to financials that Willoughby called “an upside-down nightmare.”

Despite its financial concerns, the EMS service remains integral to the community.

“When we had privately owned ambulance services before, and as they came in here, they took our funds that the city and county subsidized, and they sent that money out of the community,” said Pampa Fire Department Chief Kim Powell.

“This, in itself, is a community-run, owned, business, and that money that’s generated here stays here,” Powell said. “It’s very fluid, as in, ambulance and firework very well together. Patient care is the best that it’s been in years.”

Red Cross to host a volunteer orientation this October

■ **The orientation will serve to give more information about the Red Cross.**

teer must fill out an application, complete a background check and participate in the orientation.

“The orientation serves to give more information about Red Cross, how we started and how we transitioned into where we are now,” said Molly Maberry. “We go pretty deeply into our six lines of services, from blood services to disaster preparedness.”

“I customize it to show what they can get into in their local chapter, because each chapter is different,” she added.

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 The Red Cross will host a volunteer orientation from 1 to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 6 at its Pampa office on 108 North Russell. People interested in the organization can attend to learn about its volunteering opportunities. People who would like to volun-



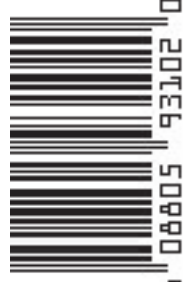
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PAMPA FORECAST

| Today | Tuesday | Wednesday |
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| | | |
| High 87 Low 62 | High 79 Low 61 | High 87 Low 64 |

Today: Partly sunny, with a high near 87. Southeast wind 5 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Tonight: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 62. South southeast wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Tuesday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 1 p.m. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 79. Southeast wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 61. South southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 87. South wind 5 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Wednesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 64. South southeast wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

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Obituaries

S.A. guitarist "El Curro" dies of cancer

Flamenco guitarist Willie "El Curro" Champion, a San Antonio native who achieved international fame touring with Jose Greco and appeared in John Wayne's "The Alamo," died Saturday afternoon from complications of bone cancer. He was 79.



"El Curro"

Champion was a River Walk institution, playing flamenco music for nearly 40 years at La Mansion del Rio. He last performed at Las Canarias, the popular restaurant at the hotel, two weeks ago. During Fiesta this spring, he performed at the Arneson River Theater.

"He was a flamenco icon," said his daughter, flamenco dancer Rosalinda "Chayito" Champion. "Flamenco was his life."

Close friend Emma Hernandez also appeared in the

1960 Wayne film. She still vividly remembers the scene in the film that spotlighted Champion's playing, as well as the moves of his famous wife, acclaimed flamenco dance star Teresa Champion.

"Willie played guitar in the cantina while Teresa danced on the table," Hernandez recounted. His music appeared throughout the movie.

Champion graduated from Fox Tech High School in 1954. As a young musician, he was initially attracted to boleros. But once he discovered flamenco, Champion never wavered. With Greco, he toured extensively for 17 years. He shared stages with the greats, from Tony Bennett to the Count Basie Orchestra.

"I don't know anyone that played as well as he did," said school friend Gilbert Hernandez.

Luvene Elias, a founding member of the Royal Jesters, called Champion "one of the best."

Champion is survived by his wife of 57 years, Teresa, and daughters Rosalinda Champion and Elsa Champion. Funeral arrangements are pending.

Community Briefs

Poker run

A poker run will be held September 15, 2012 in White Deer to raise money in honor of Stephanie Harrah Mooney. She died at the young age of 38 from a routine knee surgery. The proceeds from this benefit will go to a scholarship fund that her family has started to keep her memory alive. She loved kids, and education was an important part of her life. Each year, a deserving White Deer High School senior will receive a scholarship from this fund. We would like to make this an annual event until her three-year-old graduates from high school.

The poker run will begin at the White Deer Community Center or in Amarillo at Tripps Harley Davidson, with registration at 9 a.m. First bike out at 10 a.m. and last bike in at 4 p.m. It's \$10 for the first hand and \$5 for the second hand. If you don't have a bike, no problem. Come to White Deer, enjoy the fun and register and draw your hand there.

For more information, call Terry Harrah at 806-690-5299 or Lori Harrah at 806-282-0912.

to 10 a.m.
Friday, August 24 - 8 to 10 a.m.

Please call 669-4800, extension 1110 to set up an appointment.

Pampa High School students may pick up their class schedules at the high school in the commons area on Monday, August 20 at the following times.

Seniors (12th): 9 to 10 a.m.

Juniors (11th): 10 to 11 a.m.

Sophomores (10th): 11 a.m. to noon

"The Harvester Way," freshman orientation for ninth grade students and parents only, will be held on Monday, August 20th from 6 to 8 p.m. Ninth grade schedules will be handed out at that time. Parents are encouraged to attend the various information sessions about PHS.

Schedule changes will be made at the following times by appointment only. Please call 669-4800, extension 1110 to set up an appointment.

Tuesday, August 21 - 1 to 4 p.m.

Wednesday, August 22 - 1 to 4 p.m.

Thursday, August 23 - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Senior schedule

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High school students new to the district must complete enrollment procedures at the Horace Mann Campus and then may come to the high school to get their schedules from a counselor by appointment only on:

Tuesday, August 21 - 8 a.m. to noon

Wednesday, August 22 - 8 a.m. to noon

Thursday, August 23 - 8

Junior and senior students interested in taking AP classes for dual credit with Clarendon College will receive information during classes the second week of school.

Parker graduates

Carl Wayne Parker III graduated May 12, 2012 from West Texas A&M University in Canyon with a Bachelor of Arts degree in sports and exercise sci-



Carl Wayne Parker III

ence. While attending WTAMU, Parker served as student assistant to the men's basketball program for three years. He is a 2008 graduate of PHS, and plans to attend Texas Tech University in the fall, pursuing a master's degree in sports management.

Parker is the son of C.W. and Lois Parker, of Pampa, and the grandson of Crista Parker, of Chelsea, Oklahoma, and Faye Simpson, of Rockdale, Texas.

'Family Fun Day'

A family fun day to benefit Dan and Stacie Martin-

dale will be held at 9 a.m. on Saturday, August 25 at the Randy Norris Pavillion at the Rodeo Grounds. The event will feature a bounce house, bake sale, food and drinks, silent auction, 50/50 raffle, live band, volleyball tournament and horseshoe tournament.

Come out, and help us support Dan and Stacie. They are traveling a road that doesn't need to be traveled alone. Let's show them, in the Pampa spirit, how much we all care about them. Let's have a fun, family-oriented day, and let Dan and Stacie absorb our love for them. No alcohol please.

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Man in Afghan uniform kills NATO service member

KABUL, Afghanistan (AP) — A man in an Afghan police uniform shot and killed a U.S. service member on Sunday, a U.S. Defense Department official said, raising the death toll to 10 in such attacks in the space of just two weeks.

The surge in violence by Afghan allies against their international partners has raised doubts about the ability of the two forces to work together at a key transition time. Afghan forces are expected to take over security for the country by the end of 2014, when the majority of international combat forces are scheduled to leave.

On the other side, a coalition airstrike killed dozens of Taliban militants, including one of their leaders, officials said.

The U.S. defense official in Washington discussed the matter on condition of anonymity because the official notification process had not been completed.

Few details were immediately available about Sunday's killing of a coalition member in southern Afghanistan. NATO said only that they and Afghan authorities were investigating. Afghan officials could not be reached for comment.

The Taliban have been actively recruiting members of the Afghan security forces, saying in a statement last week that they considered these turncoat attacks a major part of their strategy against international forces.

Once an anomaly, these attacks have been climbing in recent months. There have been 30 such turncoat attacks so far this year, up from 11 in 2011.

On Saturday Defense Secretary Leon Panetta called Afghan President Hamid Karzai to encourage him to work with U.S. commanders to ensure more rigorous vetting of Afghan recruits.

On Friday it was disclosed that U.S. troops have been ordered to carry loaded weapons at all times in Afghanistan, even when they are on their bases. The order was a precaution against such insider attacks.

The monthlong Ramadan fasting period that ended Sunday has been particularly violent. The Eid al-Fitr holiday on Sunday continued the trend.

Insurgents killed two pairs of brothers with links to the government as well as three NATO service members in three separate attacks.

In the first attack, a bomb hidden in a cemetery in the southern province of Helmand killed a police chief and his brother who were visiting a family grave for the holiday.

Seven of the men's family members were wounded in the early-morning blast in the provincial capital of Lashkar Gah, said the Helmand deputy police chief, Ghulam Rabbani.

No one claimed responsibility, but the attack was consistent with the Taliban's strategy to target authorities and others who align themselves with the government or international forces.

The two men were brothers of a lawmaker

for Helmand province, Abdulwadood Popal, who was not at the cemetery at the time of the blast. The family was visiting the grave after attending a morning prayer service for the holiday, which ends the month-long Ramadan fasting period.

Later in the western Farah province, gunmen on a motorcycle opened fire on the car of an intelligence service official as he was driving home from a family visit, killing him and his brother, who worked for the customs service.

Another relative was wounded, provincial deputy police chief Ghulam Ghows Malyar said.

In central Afghanistan, three NATO service members were killed when a vehicle struck a roadside bomb, officials said. Bamiyan Gov. Habiba Sarabi said the blast went off in Kohmard district while the troops were out on patrol.

NATO forces confirmed that three coalition service members were killed in a bombing, but did not provide their nationalities or other details.

Taliban spokesman Zabiullah Mujahid claimed responsibility for the attack in a statement.

Including Sunday's deaths, at least 41 international troops have been killed so far this month in Afghanistan.

In a speech marking the holiday, Karzai condemned the Ramadan attacks.

"The enemies of Muslims ... during the holy month of Ramadan treated the nation of Afghanistan cruelly: bombs, explosions in mosques, suicide attacks in mosques," Karzai said.

He challenged the Taliban to disavow them.

"If you are not behind this, it is being done in your name. As Muslims, as Afghans, raise your voice and say that you did not do it," he appealed.

In a message ahead of Eid al-Fitr, Taliban leader Mullah Mohammad Omar instructed his fighters once again to avoid killing or wounding Afghan civilians.

The Taliban have said previously, however, that they do not consider those who collaborate with the government to be civilians.

Killings of Afghan civilians have surged this year, according to the United Nations. Civilian deaths from targeted killings and assassinations jumped 34 percent for the first six months of 2012 to 255 killed, from 190 in 2011, the U.N. said in a report issued earlier this month.

Also Sunday, officials said that an airstrike by coalition forces in the northeast killed a large group of Taliban fighters and a local insurgent leader. At least two dozen insurgents were killed in the attack in Kunar province, said NATO forces spokesman Maj. Martyn Crighton.

Kunar Gov. Sayed Fazlullah Wahidi said the strike killed as many as 50 insurgents who had massed in a remote area of the province. He said it was not clear why they had gathered.



Hospital stay gives columnist time to reflect

TOM MARGENAU
Creator's Syndicate

There is nothing like a brush with death to make one realize what's important in life. And of course, what's important are things like family and friends and good health. What's not really all that important are things like "delayed retirement credits" and "file and suspend" rules and all the other Social Security benefit gaming tactics that have taken up so much of this column space, and my email inbox capacity, in the past couple of months.

About a week and a half ago, I found myself in a hospital emergency room. I was having difficulty breathing. In a relatively short span of time, I had gone from getting more winded than usual following a game of tennis to getting out of breath doing simple household chores like cutting the lawn to having trouble just walking across a room in our house. That's when we headed for the hospital. (Of course, I should have had this checked sooner. But I'm one of those big stubborn guys who thought I could simply shake this off!)

Anyway, doctors discovered two pretty significant blood clots in my lungs that they surmised grew out of several long plane flights my wife and I took in June. I spent a week in the hospital where for a time I thought I'd never be able to get out of bed again. For a guy whose most significant medical issues up until then had been several bouts of flu -- a guy who had never been in a hospital in his life (other than for the birth of his children and grandchildren) -- I was suddenly facing the grim reality of my mortality.

But I don't want to get too over-dramatic here, because long story short: I am back home now and getting around just fine, although I'm tethered to an oxygen hose and popping blood-thinning drugs like candy. The oxygen should come off in about a week. However, I'll be taking those anti-coagulants for some time to come.

What led to writing this column and sharing my medical woes is this: When I got home, I had about 500 email messages waiting for me. And easily, three-fourths of them were from readers who were fretting over decisions about when to start their Social Security benefits. A typical question went like this: "If I file for benefits at 66, immediately suspend those benefits and then decide to restart them at 68, will I get my age 66 benefit rate or a delayed retirement rate?" Another common question: "Can I file for my own Social Security at 66, suspend those benefits, and then claim a wife's benefit on my husband's account until age 70 -- and then can I switch back to my own and get delayed retirement credits?" And almost all the questions exhibited some form of anxiety with readers pleading for me to

tell them what to do!

As I've written before, this "gaming" of the Social Security system is a relatively new development. In the past, throughout almost my entire 32-year career with the Social Security Administration, most people simply claimed their benefits at age 62. They took an early retirement reduction for starting benefits before their "full retirement age." But lots of retirees decided they'd rather get benefits for a longer period of time at a reduced rate as opposed to waiting until 65 or 66 to claim full benefits.

A not insignificant portion of retirees waited until age 65 or 66 to claim full benefits. And a fairly small percentage of folks opted to wait until 70 to get full benefits plus a delayed retirement bonus of 32 percent.

But something has happened in the last five years or so, and all of that has turned around. Retiring baby boomers are either more financially savvy than their older colleagues, or at least they think they are more financially savvy, because millions of them are now gambling with their Social Security benefits. They are routinely delaying benefits as long as possible on the assumption that they will live long enough to beat the odds and win the Social Security game. They are giving up tens of thousands, sometimes more than a hundred thousand dollars in benefits between age 62 and 70 hoping that they will live into their mid 80s -- usually the point at which they come out ahead by delaying starting full benefits until age 70.

I just want some of these folks to think about me. Prior to my recent blood clot calamity, I had never been sick a day in my life. I would have bet I was a sure candidate to live into my mid 80s, if not my 90s.



Social Security and you

Now I'm not so sure.

Regular readers of this column know that I am a proponent of taking your Social Security benefits early. I know that almost every financial planner in this country would disagree with me. But I've always been an "eat, drink, and be merry ... for tomorrow we might die" kind of guy. Now I know that's literally true!

I took my Social Security benefits at age 62. So did my wife. It might have been a knuckle-headed decision. It might have been the smartest move we ever made. Who knows? But here is my main point: we made that decision, and we're happy with it. We're not worrying about it one little whit!

That's why I wanted to write back to all these folks fretting over their Social Security benefits to tell them to relax. When it comes to their Social Security options, most of them are not between a rock and a hard place. They are between a cushion and a soft place. No matter which decision they make (take their Social Security at 62 or 66 or 70), they are on target to live quite comfortably in retirement.

Maybe it takes someone who was recently "knocking on heaven's door" to realize that whether or not you end up with a few

extra nickels in the long run by delaying benefits until age 70 isn't really all that important in the bigger scheme of things!

Having made that pitch, I know that thousands of you at least want to be familiar with your options with respect to when to take your benefits. That's why once again I'm offering a free digital copy of my fact sheet, "When to take your Social Security benefits." To get one, send an email to thomas.margenau@comcast.net. And maybe add a "get well" wish!

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

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EVENTS

14 AD – Agrippa Postumus, adoptive-son of the late Roman Emperor Augustus, is executed by his guards while in exile under mysterious circumstances

636 – Battle of Yarmouk: Arab forces led by Khalid ibn al-Walid take control of Syria and Palestine away from the Byzantine Empire, marking the first great wave of Muslim conquests and the rapid advance of Islam outside Arabia.

917 – Battle of Acheloos: Tsar Simeon I of Bulgaria decisively defeats a Byzantine army.

1000 – The foundation of the Hungarian state by Saint Stephen. Today celebrated as a National Day in Hungary.

1083 – Canonization of the first King of Hungary, Saint Stephen and his son Saint Emeric.

1308 – Pope Clement V pardons Jacques de Molay, the last Grand Master of the Knights Templar, absolving him of charges of heresy.

1391 – Konrad von Wallenrode becomes the 24th Hochmeister of the Teutonic Order.

1467 – The Second Battle of Olmedo takes places as part of a succession conflict between Henry IV of Castile and his half-brother Alfonso, Prince of Asturias.

1672 – Former Grand Pensionary Johan de Witt and his brother Cornelis are brutally murdered by an angry mob in The Hague.

1710 – War of the Spanish Succession: a multinational army led by the Austrian commander Guido Starhemberg defeats the Spanish-Bourbon army commanded by the Marquis de Bay in the Battle of Saragossa.

1775 – The Spanish establish the Presidio San Augustin del Tucson in the town that became Tucson, Arizona.

1794 – Battle of Fallen Timbers – American troops force a confederacy of Shawnee, Mingo, Delaware, Wyandot, Miami, Ottawa, Chippewa, and Potawatomi warriors into a disorganized retreat.

1858 – Charles Darwin first publishes his theory of evolution through natural selection in The Journal of the Proceedings of the Linnean Society of London, alongside Alfred Russel Wallace's same theory.

1866 – President Andrew Johnson formally declares the American Civil War over.

1882 – Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture debuts in Moscow.

1910 – The Great Fire of 1910 (also commonly referred to as the Big Blowup or the Big Burn) occurred in northeast Washington, northern Idaho (the panhandle), and western Montana, burning approximately 3 million acres (12,000 km²).

1914 – World War I: German forces occupy Brussels.

1920 – The first commercial radio station, 8MK (now WWJ), begins operations in Detroit, Michigan.

1926 – Japan's public broadcasting company, Nippon Hōsō Kyōkai (NHK) is established.

1938 – Lou Gehrig hits his 23rd career grand slam – a record that still stands.

1940 – In Mexico City exiled Russian revolutionary Leon Trotsky is fatally wounded with an ice axe by Ramon Mercader. He dies the next day.

1940 – British Prime Minister Winston Churchill makes the fourth of his famous wartime speeches, containing the line "Never was so much owed by so many to so few".

1944 – World War II: 168 captured allied airmen, including Phil Lamason, accused by the Gestapo of being "terror fliers", arrive at Buchenwald concentration camp.

1944 – World War II: the Battle of Romania begins with a major Soviet offensive.

1950 – Korean War: United Nations repel an offensive by North Korean divisions attempting to cross the Naktong River and assault the city of Taegu.

1955 – In Morocco, a force of Berbers from the Atlas Mountains region of Algeria raid two rural settlements and kill 77 French nationals.

1960 – Senegal breaks from the Mali Federation, declaring its independence.

1968 – Soviet Union-dominated Warsaw Pact troops invade Czechoslovakia, crushing the Prague Spring.

1975 – Viking Program: NASA launches the Viking 1 planetary probe toward Mars.

1977 – Voyager Program: NASA launches the Voyager 2 spacecraft.

1986 – In Edmond, Oklahoma, U.S. Postal employee Patrick Sherrill guns down 14 of his co-workers and then commits suicide.

1988 – "Black Saturday" of the Yellowstone fire in Yellowstone National Park

1988 – Peru becomes a member of the Berne Convention copyright treaty.

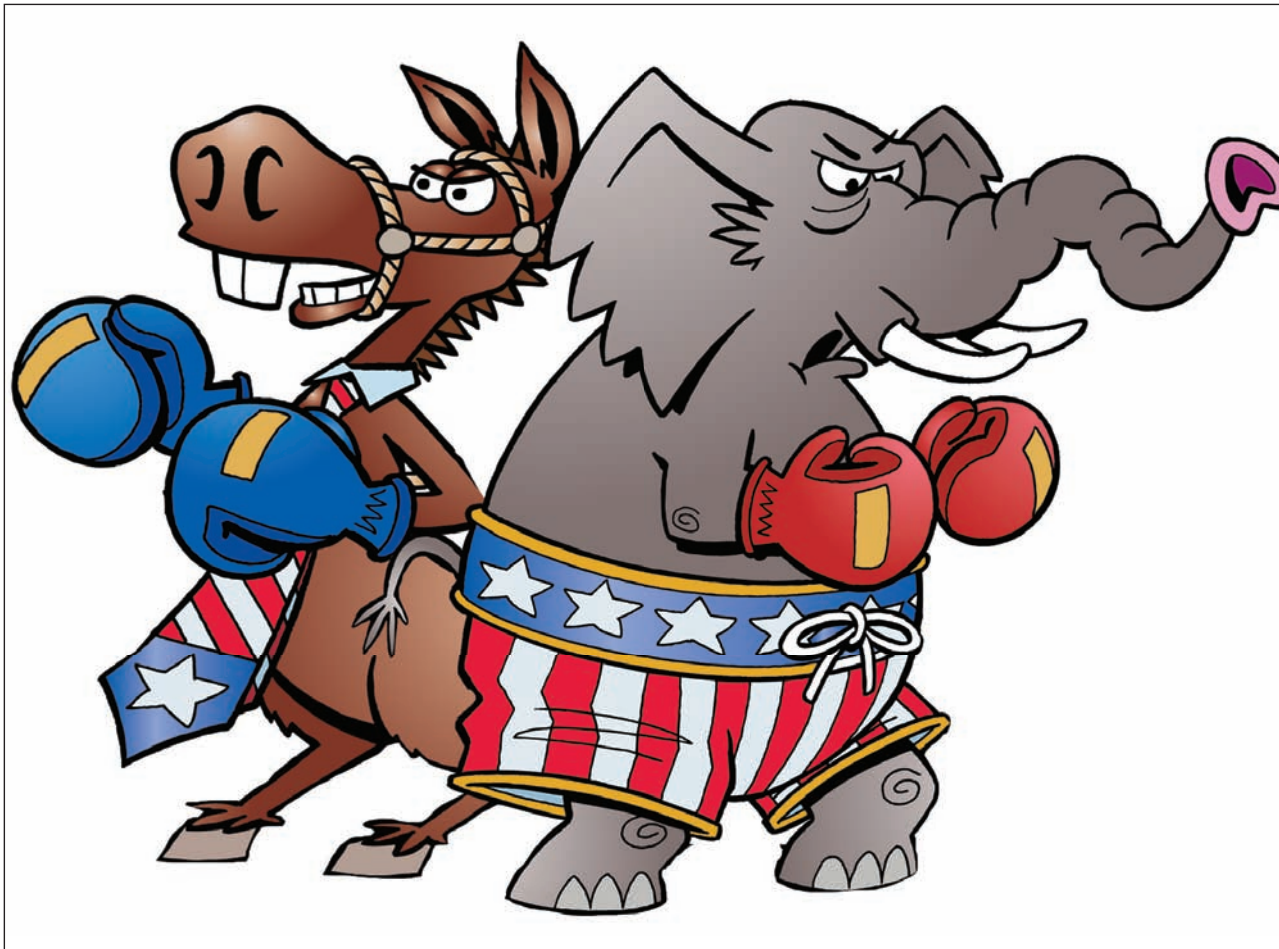
1988 – Iran-Iraq War: a cease-fire is agreed after almost eight years of war.

1988 – The Troubles: Eight British Army soldiers are killed and 28 wounded when their bus is hit by a Provisional Irish Republican Army roadside bomb in Northern Ireland (see Ballygawley bus bombing).

1989 – The pleasure boat Marchioness sinks on the River Thames following a collision, 51 people are killed.

1989 – The O-Bahn in Adelaide, the world's longest guided busway, opens.

Which party is YOUR favorite?



DECISION PAMPA: 2012

Charlie Daniels: On the subject of 'CHAINS'



CHARLIE DANIELS
Conservative Columnist

"They're gonna put ya'll back in chains"

It's a little beyond belief that the Vice President of the United States of America would stoop, no not stoop, grovel is a better term, to such ridiculous and inflammatory rhetoric for any reason.

I guess we've come to expect just about anything to come out of Joe Biden's mouth, but this is beyond the pale, even for him. His statement was totally irresponsible and offensive to any American with enough gray matter to recognize it for the desperate political trash that it is.

I'm especially offended by his remarks because I have memories as a child standing on the courthouse square of a small town in Georgia and hear-

ing a dried up weasel of a man running for governor make a campaign speech, a big part of which was about what he would do to hold the black race down.

And by the way Mr. Biden, this man was a Democrat.

Mr. Biden, you come from Delaware and don't even know what chains are and what the implications mean to the race you're trying to impress with your insensitive comments.

Chains mean the back of the bus, segregated schools, segregated public bathrooms and drinking fountains. It means you can't even wait for a train in the same area as white people.

It means the worn out school buses and the hand me down books and being relegated to living in a run down part of town, being denied employment in the public sector, unfairly treated by the law and the

courts.

Chains mean being discouraged from going to the polls and not knowing if your vote was really counted even if you did.

No, Mr. Biden, I know what chains are, I lived through the Jim Crow days, I've seen the cruelty, the unfairness, the downright fallacy of the way things used to be and those chains were real, not rhetoric and my total attitude is - to borrow a phrase from my Jewish brothers and sisters - "Never again."

I don't appreciate your flippant attitude toward such a serious subject, with historical implications you don't even seem to be aware of. I don't appreciate your taking for granted that everybody with a different view of America wants to harm somebody else and your attempt to open an old and ill remembered wound.

I don't like you assuming that the people you

were addressing were gullible enough to believe your irrational hyperbole and I totally resent your assertion that anybody wants to put anybody else in chains, unless it's the chains of government dependency.

You need to learn some respect, Mr. Vice President, respect for the intelligence of your fellow Americans, respect for the civil rights struggle you so flippantly disregard and respect for other people's right to disagree with you.

And while you're at it, take a geography lesson, Virginia and North Carolina are two separate states. And that's a big, blanking deal.

What do you think? Pray for our troops, and for our country.

God Bless America.

CHARLIE DANIELS

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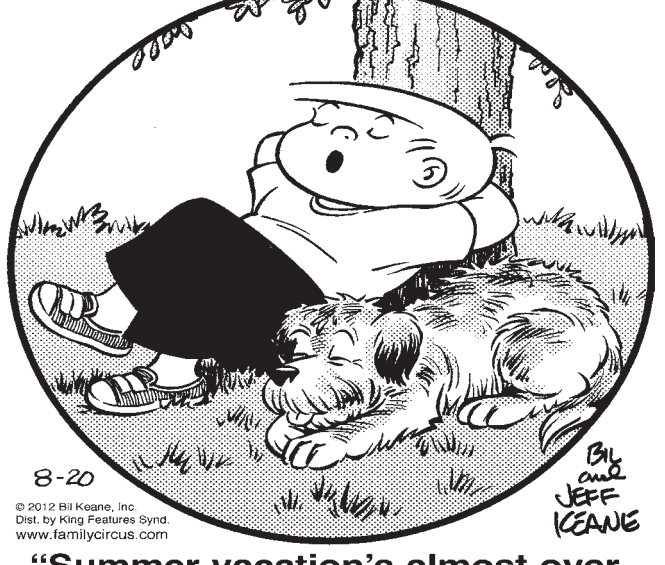
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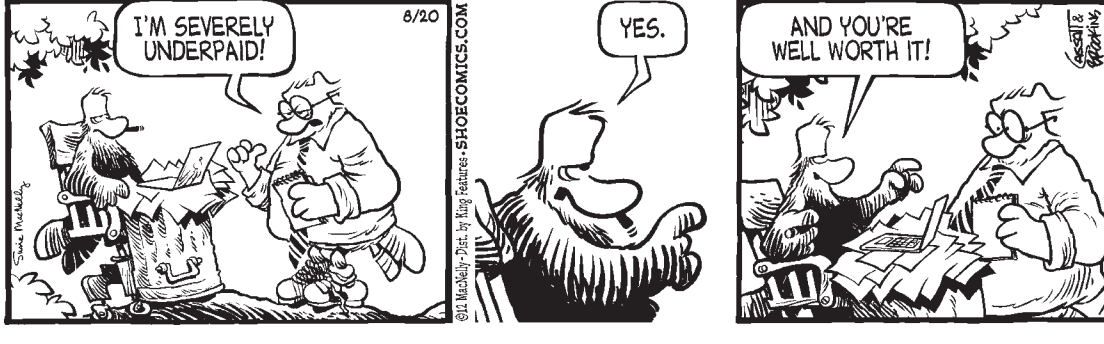


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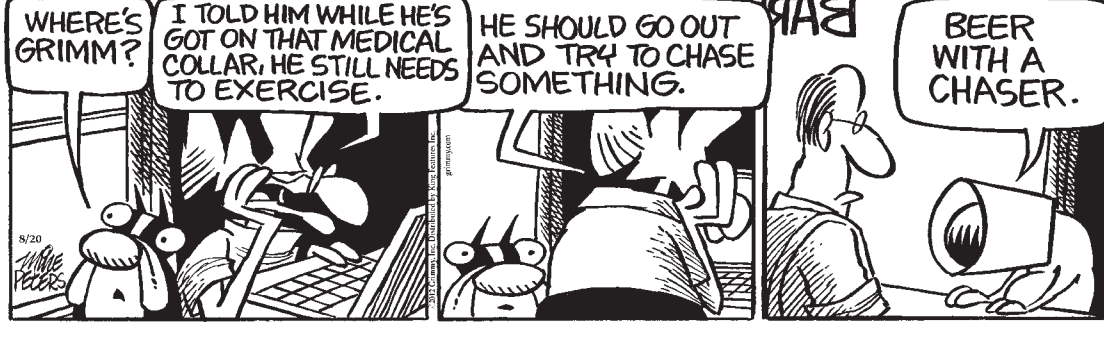
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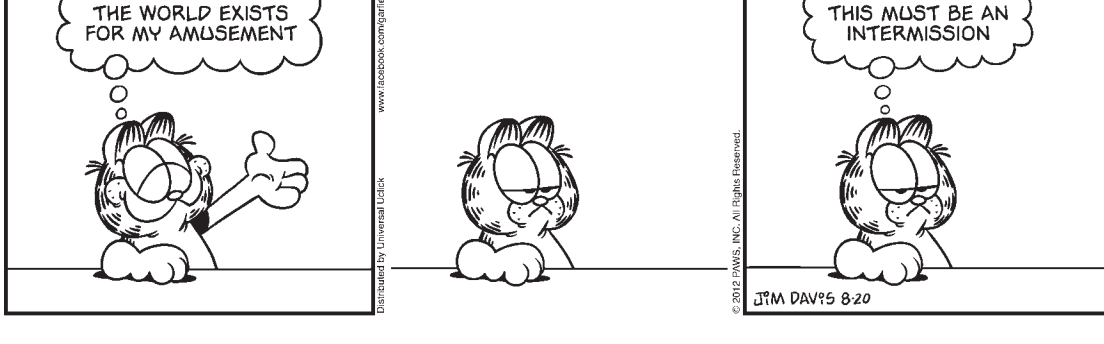
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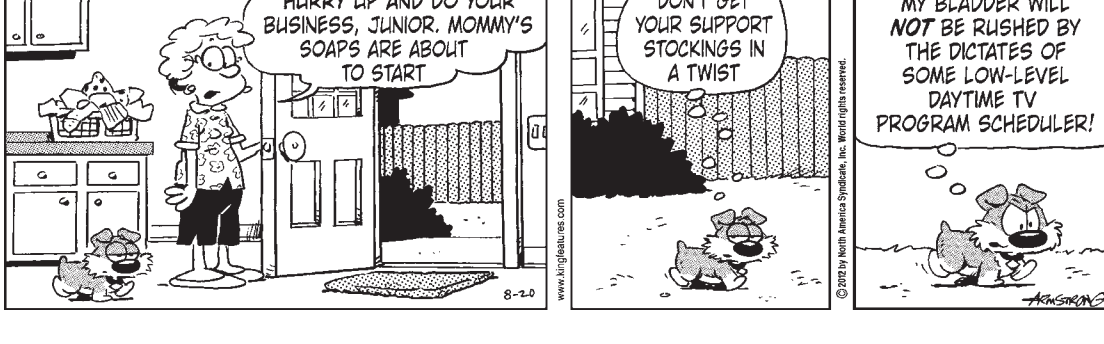
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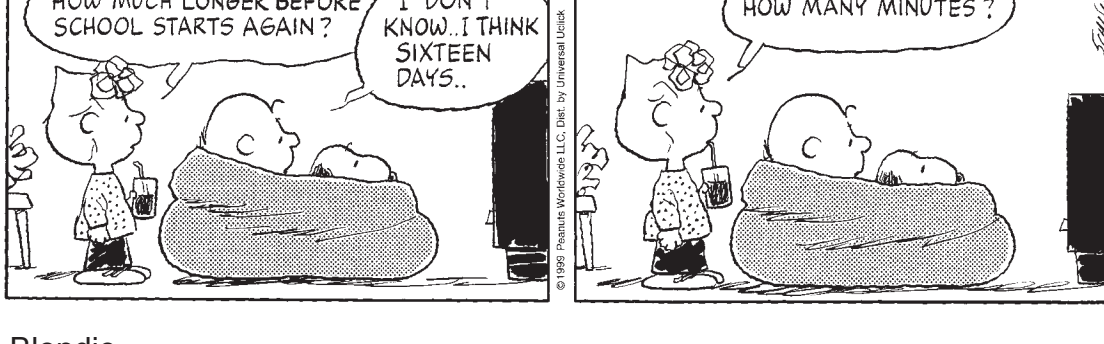
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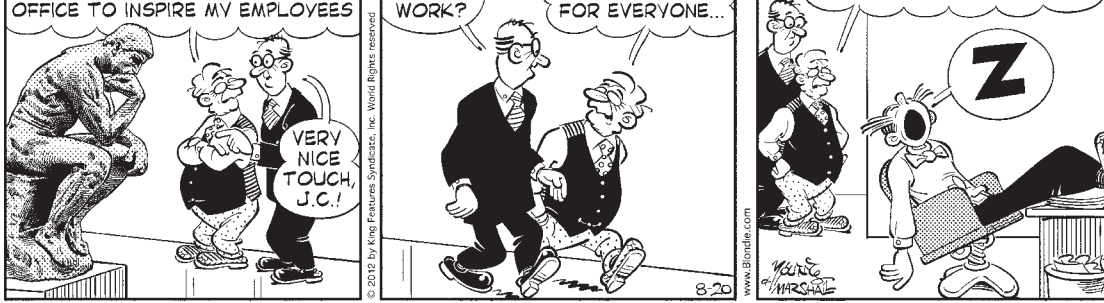
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Nest Heads



daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Aug. 21, 2012:

This year you might be more serious than usual. This attitude doesn't necessarily stem from any particular events, rather from a detachment as you look at the big picture. Your philosophy of life constantly is evolving. If you are single, you want to relate to someone on an active level. Should your chosen sweetie not fulfill that desire, disagreement could ensue. A bond like that is not right for you. If you are attached, avoid arguments; instead, enjoy the joyous, fun part of this relationship. Both of you will be happier as a result. LIBRA often charms you.

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)
 ★★★★★ Your ability to understand that which is nearly unexplainable might be more important than you initially realize. Take action once you grasp the whole situation. Avoid taking your frustration out on someone. Tonight: Say "yes."

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 ★★★★★ You might be feeling sore and/or tired if you have been pushing too hard. Nothing bad will happen if you slow down a bit. Do not forget to schedule a checkup or dentist appointment. The message is to take better care of yourself. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 ★★★★★ Your creativity flourishes and others respond, though perhaps not as enthusiastically as you might like. A child or new friend could act up when you least expect it. You might want to squeeze in a physical activity together to let off some steam. Tonight: Fun and games.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 ★★★ You are anchored and settled to a point of being rigid. Instead of sticking with a blunt "no" response, explain your comfort level and you would prefer to go with the status quo. Still, this might not work and could provoke a difficult situation. Tonight: Homeward bound.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 ★★★★★ Speak your mind, but be ready to field some strong reactions. You might want to hold back or postpone part of a volatile conversation. Put your energy where it counts. Understand what is happening with a loved one. Tonight: Speak your mind.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 ★★★★★ You might feel like spending less and adding to your security. Take a hard look at your finances. Know what you want to achieve from tightening your belt. Be aware that others might not agree with your priorities. Tonight: Think of nonmaterialistic ways of indulging someone.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 ★★★★★ Tension builds. You still have a tendency to be negative at present, which only creates more negativity. Be direct with a male friend or someone who is extremely assertive. You might need to say what you feel and clear your mind and energy. Tonight: Say "yes" to a special invitation.

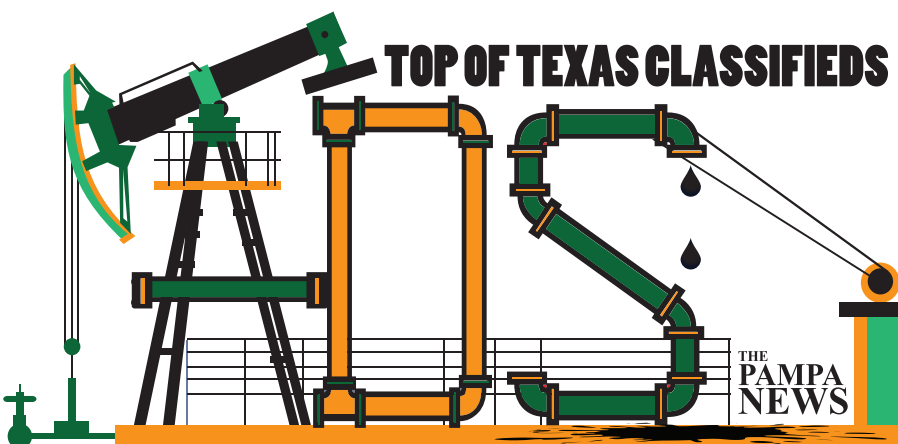
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 ★★ Listen to someone who often gives you excellent advice. You might be more negative than you realize. Be careful with suppressing your anger -- it can explode when you least expect it. Take a walk or an extended break if you find that your temper is close to the surface. Tonight: Choose a stressbuster.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 ★★★★★ Look for more involvement within your circle of friends. You enjoy their support as well as their ideas. You could discover how fiery a pal is in the process. This person will not leave you alone until you agree with his or her views. Find a diplomatic way out. Tonight: Join a friend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 ★★★ Take a stand once more. You might need to let someone know how dead serious you are. There is no wiggle room, so make this statement quite clear. A person you look up to suddenly could become more demanding. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 ★★★★★ Keep reaching out for novel ideas and different approaches. You often need newness in your life. The more you learn, the more open you become, and the more there will be a perpetual kaleidoscope of new information. Tonight: Once more, try something different.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 ★★★★★ You continue to have a discussion with a partner. This person could be stern and even angry at times. You might need to listen in order to find out the source of his or her anger, especially if it involves you. Tonight: Talk over dinner.



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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.
c/o: Vanessa G. Buzzard Attorney at Law 208 N. Russell St. Pampa, TX 79065
DATED the 13th day of August, 2012.
Vanessa G. Buzzard Attorney for Odessa M. East State Bar No.: 03547900
208 N. Russell St. Pampa, TX 79065
Telephone: (806)665-7281
Facsimile: (806)669-0972
C-73 Aug 20, 2012

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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Level: Beginner

BANANAGRAMS!

Each of the two-letter groups below may be extended both on the right and the left to form a six-letter word. Use the tiles directly above each group to fill in the blanks.

LEVEL

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AG

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AW

Yesterday's Answer: SAWMILL MAILMAN
ONTO LLOW
SUNLAMP SUNSPOT 8.20

AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

8-20 CRYPTOQUOTE
QXSFBY MIMCN AZBM BQNZLJ
WQB QL FKKFBZYM FLM, LF
XMBB AZBM, YF EQXQLDM
ZY. — JMFCJM BQLYQNQLQ
Saturday's Cryptoquote: AFFIRMATION WITHOUT DISCIPLINE IS THE BEGINNING OF DELUSION. — JIM ROHN



Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My son is a career soldier, Army Rangers Airborne, and yes, I am proud of him. During his 15 years of active duty he has been involved in every "action" around the world. The greatest gift I have been given started with an idea conceived by two high school students in Massachusetts. The program is called Cell Phones for Soldiers, and these are the basics:
Old cellphones are donated and then sold to a recycler, and with that money phone cards are purchased and donated to soldiers all over the world. Eighty percent of calls home by active-duty soldiers are made using these cards.

tools for military serving overseas. There are more than 15,000 collection sites across the United States. Nearly 12,000 calling cards are mailed each week, and since 2004, more than 150 million minutes of talk time have been provided. Anyone interested in learning more should visit cellphonesforsoldiers.com.
DEAR ABBY: I'm 21, almost 22, and I have just found out that it isn't the flu. I'm pregnant. The problem is, I don't know who the father is. I have an "idea" of who he might be — but it could be three other guys. I'm not in a relationship with any of them. No. 1 and No. 2, I wouldn't want my child exposed to because of some of the things they do.
I have heard that if a mother is on state support and the parents aren't together, the father will have to pay child support. Is that true? I don't know what to do. — LOST AND CONFUSED IN MISSOURI
DEAR LOST AND CONFUSED: You are going to need prenatal care to ensure you have a healthy baby. Your local Planned Parenthood health center may be able to provide prenatal care or refer you to other low-cost options.
Your next stop should be your county

department of social services so that when your child arrives, you'll be able to feed it. I'm sure they will want the father to contribute financially. Determining which candidate is — or is not — the father is as simple as getting a paternity test.
P.S. And this is important, too: In the future, Planned Parenthood can provide you with reliable, low-cost contraceptive services, so the next time you become pregnant it will be by choice and with a committed partner.

DEAR ABBY: I am 7 years old and me and my parents can never agree on my bedtime. Do you think 7:30, 8, 8:30, 9, 9:30, 10, 11 or midnight? — BAD BEDTIME IN BOSTON
DEAR BAD BEDTIME: It depends on what time you're expected to get up the next morning. According to the experts, children between the ages of 5 and 10 years old need between 10 and 11 hours of sleep each night. So count backward from the time your day is supposed to start and you'll know what time you're supposed to be in bed (8:30 p.m. seems about right to me).

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
1 Depiction — Park
6 Bounders
10 Library stamp
11 Quartz variety
13 Refrain syllables
14 Kind of candle or numeral
15 Suffer
16 Use a chair
18 Paintings and prints
19 Large bird of prey
22 Circle section
23 Lusty look
24 Deceitful people
27 Play groups
28 Gawk at
29 Workout site
30 Source of continued wealth
35 Steady run
36 Day warmer
37 Virtual person in a computer game
38 Underway
40 Steer clear of
- DOWN**
42 Edison's — Park
43 Bengal beast
44 Profound
45 Run-down
1 Luggage clip-on
2 Racer
Andretti
3 To any extent
4 Tooth-paste type
5 Classroom needs
6 —
blanche
7 In the past
8 Lawsuit award
9 Up-and-coming actress
12 Comes in legally
17 Co. abbr.
20 Was bold landmark
21 Texas
24 Impasse
25 "My bad"
26 Depleted
27 Young swans
29 African grazer
31 Bar, legally
32 Sioux language
33 Was partisan
34 Abrasive powder
39 Bullfight cry
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Saturday's answer

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Sports

Monday
August 20, 2012

Harvesters get idea of exactly where they are against Estacado



Staff photos by **Gayden Hays**

Clockwise from top left- Freddy Jackson and Anthony Villanueva pursue Lubbocks QB. Coach Tad Smith discusses technique with Dalton Poole, Sammy Smith gains good yardage behind the block of Cager Osborne, and JV Players sing the fight song to the crowd.

Lady Harvesters varsity and ninth grade teams compete in Amarillo tournaments

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The Lady Harvesters varsity and ninth grade teams both competed with some of the premier teams from Texas and the Panhandle Saturday. The varsity ladies played four close games winning several sets and defeating San Jacinto. While the ninth grade girls playing at Caprock High School also played four matches and won sets against larger schools and defeated Palo Duro in the process. The Lady Harvesters varsity, junior varsity and ninth grade teams will travel to Randell High School Tuesday and begin play at 4 p.m.



Photo courtesy of **Sharlan Langley**

Lady Harvester ninth grade team members listen as their coach talks strategy.

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The Pampa Harvesters were able Saturday afternoon to judge themselves against players from a perennial power house, Lubbock Estacado.

In front of several hundred fans the Harvesters Junior Varsity and Varsity squads had an inter-team practice, allowing players on both sides to judge their skills against players from another school.

Head Coach Heath Parker stated he was really pleased with his players effort and the defense's flow to the ball was superior to any he has seen at this stage of

practices.

The attacking defense, even though it was only practice, did cause numerous turnovers, both interceptions and fumbles.

The practice allowed Coach Parker to focus on the running game and according to the coach even with Estacado's speed, the Pampa offense got exactly where it should be.

Coach Parker said that, "We didn't work on our strengths and that put us at a disadvantage."

However, the conditioning that has been a priority for the coaching staff this off-season showed as the Lubbock players showed visible signs of fatigue.

The Junior Varsity preceded the Harvester Varsity team and as well put on a stellar and aggressive show.

Coach Parker noted that he was "very tickled" with the JV squad because "they are ahead of any other JV team at this point he ever had".

The up-tempo play by the JV Harvesters really showed on the faces of the Lubbock players as their conditioning eventually wore down their opponent.

Both the Varsity and Junior varsity squads play host to Childress in the first scrimmage of the year Friday night, JV plays at 5 p.m. followed by the varsity at 7 p.m.

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