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## BACK IN THE SADDLE AGAIN



Photos by Sasha Heller

Above, Carlos Gonzalez stands next to a saddle in his soon to be opened Northern Star Saddlery shop on North Cuyler Street. Below, traditional rancher attire can be purchased at the new saddle shop in Pampa.

## New Pampa saddle shop in the works

By **SASHA HELLER**  
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Northern Star Saddlery will open Feb. 18 in Pampa, specializing in lustrous saddles and accessories like bits, spurs and sombreros.

Owner Carlos Gonzalez is very passionate about ranching, having been reared into the lifestyle by his grandfather, father and brother.

Gonzalez' father, Lorenzo, immigrated to Texas from the State of Coahuila, Mexico, and made his living as a rancher. However, Gonzalez credits his brother, Ricardo, for inspiring him to take up ranching.

"I owe it to my older brother, Ricardo," he said. "My father bought a horse for him when we were in high school. Gonzalez added that his father would regularly purchase horses for

Carlos and his brother to break. Gonzalez' interest led him to repairing saddles privately, at first. But his friends would often approach him and ask him to fix their saddles.

"So it just took off from there," he said. "I felt like this was something I just wanted to

do." After spending a few years traveling around, working at various construction sites, Carlos decided it was time to move back to his native Pampa and set up shop.

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## City amends guidelines for Recreation Park

By **SASHA HELLER**  
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The Pampa City Commission at its meeting Tuesday voted unanimously to amend the city's operating guidelines governing Recreation Park.

"We're basically just updating guidelines for Recreation Park," assistant city manager Shane Stokes said.

The city increased the maximum stay at the RV park to 60 days; the previous cap was 14 days.

Fees were also updated as it will now cost \$15 per

weekday to stay overnight and \$20 on the weekends.

Stokes said the city intends on using the increased revenue totals to pay for planned improvements to the park's electrical service.

Stokes informed the commissioners that the original guidelines were set via an ordinance.

Therefore, any approved guideline changes would require the commission to pass a replacement ordinance upon a second reading.

The commission also unanimously approved amending the city's attendant agreement with Giffert Tuttle, who will manage the park's operations.

Tuttle will be paid \$150 per week and 15 percent of all fees collected at the **CITY** cont. on page 3

## Texas schools look for help on firearms policies

By **MORGAN SMITH**  
 The Texas Tribune

Amid a flurry of post-Sandy Hook school safety proposals from Texas lawmakers, a handful of schools are considering policies that would allow employees to carry concealed handguns. But despite the increased attention on firearms policies, there is not much research on their effectiveness — or clarity on what the law governing them allows.

Because so few school districts allow employees to carry firearms, it is difficult

to find evidence of how well they work, said Victoria Calder, the director of the Texas School Safety Center, a state-funded organization at Texas State University that provides training and resources for school security programs.

State law requires public school districts to adopt an emergency operations plan that includes employee training and mandatory drills for students and employees. School boards can also grant permission to anyone, including employ-

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## U.S. House votes to defuse debt limit crisis

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House overwhelmingly passed a bill Wednesday to permit the government to borrow enough money to avoid a first-time default for at least four months, defusing a looming crisis setting up a springtime debate over taxes, spending and the deficit.

The House passed the measure on a bipartisan 285-144 vote as majority Republicans back away from their previous demand that any increase in the government's borrowing cap be paired with an equivalent level of spending cuts.

Senate Majority Leader

Harry Reid, D-Nev., said the chamber would immediately move to advance the legislation to the White House, which has announced Obama would sign it.

The measure would suspend the \$16.4 trillion cap on federal borrowing and reset it on May 19 to reflect the additional borrowing required between the date the bill becomes law and then. The amount of borrowing required depends on the tax receipts received during filing season, but over a comparable period last year the government ran deficits in

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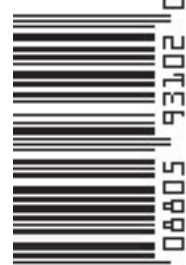
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## PAMPA FORECAST

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**Thursday:** Partly cloudy with a high of 47. No chance of rain. Wind east southeast at 9 mph. Sunrise at 7:49 a.m.

**Thursday night:** Partly cloudy with a low of 31. No chance of rain. Wind southwest at 8 mph. Sunset at 6:04 p.m.

**Friday:** Partly cloudy with a high of 55. No chance of rain. Wind northeast at 8 mph. Sunrise at 7:48 a.m.

**Friday night:** Mostly cloudy with a low of 35. No chance of rain. Wind south southeast at 8 mph. Sunset at 6:05 p.m.

**Saturday:** Showers with a high of 53. Thirty percent chance of rain. Wind south at 19 mph. Sunrise at 7:48 a.m.

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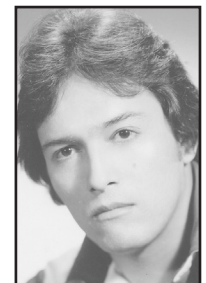
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# Obituaries

## Felipe De Jesus Perez

Felipe De Jesus Perez, 58, died Jan. 22, 2013 in Amarillo. Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 25, 2013, at Fairview Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Directors.



**Felipe De Jesus Perez**

Mr. Perez was born June 2, 1954 in Guadalajara, Mexico. He married Marie Elizabeth Soria in 1979. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1984. Felipe worked for Mundy Construction at the Celanese Chemical plant. He also worked for Northwest Insulation with Zachary Construction at the Phillips Refinery in Borger. He was an avid sports fan, but he especially enjoyed helping others and loved spending time with his family.

Survivors include his father: Felix Camacho of Guadalajara, Mexico; four children, Angelica Mendoza and husband Armando of Borger, Alex Villagrana and husband Rogelio of Amarillo, Abraham De Jesus and wife Erica of Pampa, and Andrea Castro and husband Antonio of Midland; one grandson and seven granddaughters.

Memorials may be made to the Pampa Optimist Youth Club, P.O. Box 802, Pampa, Texas 79066-0802, or the Pampa Soccer Association, 248 S. Naida, Pampa, Texas 79065.

Mr. Perez will be available for viewing from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 24, 2013 at Carmichael-Whitley Funeral Home.

Sign the on-line register at [Carmichael-Whitley.com](http://Carmichael-Whitley.com).

# For the record

## Arkansas pair arrested for five pounds of marijuana

■ 32-year-old Renae Berryville, Ark., was arrested Wednesday by the GCSO for possession of marijuana — over 5 pounds and under 50 pounds.

■ 57-year-old Paul Edward Kindle, Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by the GCSO for public intoxication.

## Pampa woman injured in Wednesday morning wreck

**STAFF REPORT**

A Pampa woman sustained minor injuries Wednesday morning after she crashed her gray 2002 Saturn into a parked car in the 2600 block of North Seminole, according to the Pampa Police Department.

Melissa Collier was driving southbound around 8 a.m. when she hit a brown Chevrolet Malibu that was legally parked.

Collier was transported to Pampa Regional Medical Center, according to PPD.

## 10-Hour standoff ends in 3 arrests in Mitchell County

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ABILENE — The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS), assisted by local law enforcement agencies, arrested three men early this morning in Colorado City after a nearly 10-hour standoff. The men are accused of being involved in an incident Monday where shots were fired at a Texas Highway Patrol trooper during a high-speed pursuit.

“We are pleased this volatile situation ended without injury or loss of life,” said DPS Director Steven McCraw. “In addition to the fine work by department personnel, we would like to thank all of our law enforcement partners for their assistance in bringing this incident to a safe and successful conclusion.”

Two suspects from Oklahoma City were transported to the Mitchell County Jail and a 16-year-old boy from Edmondson, Okla., was transported to the juvenile facility in Taylor County.

Myron McDonald Jr., 22, is being held on charges of attempted capital murder, felon in possession of a firearm and evading arrest. Christopher Deshawn Johnson,

24, is being held on charges of attempted capital murder and felon in possession of a firearm. Charges are pending against the juvenile suspect.

The incident started early Monday morning when a DPS trooper pulled over a vehicle for driving 109 mph on I-20 in Mitchell County. As the trooper approached the SUV, the driver exited and fired three times at the trooper. The suspect re-entered the vehicle and fled eastbound at speeds exceeding 100 mph. Shots were fired several times at the trooper during the pursuit. Visual of the vehicle was lost briefly, and it was later found abandoned near I-20 on FM 1230 in Nolan County.

Later Monday, authorities received information the suspects were at the 100 block of South Austin Street in Colorado City, and law enforcement surrounded the residence.

Nearly 10 hours later, just after midnight Tuesday, DPS SWAT entered the building and took the men into custody without incident.

The Texas Rangers are investigating the incident and their findings will be presented to the Mitchell County District Attorney’s Office.

## Texas sheriff: Not all gun control violates rights

DALLAS (AP) — A suburban Dallas county sheriff says he doesn’t consider all gun control unconstitutional after posting a statement saying he wouldn’t enforce any laws that violate Second Amendment rights.

Collin County Sheriff Terry Box posted on his

Facebook page over the weekend that neither he nor his deputies “will participate in the enforcement of laws that violate our precious Constitutional rights, including our Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms.”

But in an interview Wednesday, Box said he didn’t think the now-expired assault weapons ban passed under former President Bill Clinton was unconstitutional. He says President Obama’s 23 executive actions don’t violate constitutional rights, either.

Box’s statement blamed “misguided politicians” for seeking to pass misguided laws in the wake of the elementary school massacre in Connecticut and other shootings.

### Man gets 11 years for enticing minor

MCALLEN, Texas (AP) — A 40-year-old South Texas man has been sentenced to more than 11 years in prison for texting and soliciting a 14-year-old girl for sex.

Prosecutors in McAllen on Wednesday announced the penalty for Teofanes Salas-Campos of Mission.

Salas-Campos was one of three men arrested last year after federal agents, with the permission of the girl’s mother, took over the teen’s cellphone and Facebook account.

Prosecutors say Salas-Campos texted the girl soliciting sex and continued to negotiate a price even after agents made it clear she was 14 years old.

Salas-Campos rented a room at a Pharr motel and went to pick up the girl at a gas station when he was arrested.

He pleaded guilty in September to enticing a minor and was sentenced Tuesday to 135 months in prison.

### US begins transporting French troops to Mali

DJENNE, Mali (AP) — Pentagon officials say the U.S. airlift of French forces to Bamako could continue for another two weeks.

It’s expected to take about 30 C-17 flights to get everything there.

The U.S. Air Force is keeping between eight and 10 people at the airport to help with the incoming and outgoing flights.

These are the U.S. Air Force personnel who will stay only until the airlift is completed.

The U.S. Air Force already has flown five C-17 flights into Bamako, delivering more than 80 French troops and 124 tons of equipment.

The U.S. is not providing direct aid to the Malian military because the democratically elected government was overthrown last March in a coup.

The French-led operation to oust Islamic extremists from northern Mali began Jan. 11.

### TX official indicted in bribery case

DEL RIO, Texas (AP) — A South Texas county official awaiting trial on federal money laundering and bulk cash smuggling charges has been indicted in a separate bribery case.

Maverick County Commissioner Rodolfo “Rudy” Baint Heredia was indicted Wednesday on six counts of receiving bribes and one count of paying a bribe. Investigators say the alleged scheme allowed Heredia to steer county construction jobs to certain contractors.

Federal prosecutors allege bids were inflated by companies so they could make a profit and pay off Heredia. Heredia also allegedly paid a county employee to make sure the contracts were awarded.

An attorney for Heredia didn’t immediately comment.

The commissioner has been in custody since his 2012 indictment on money laundering charges. He faces trial in that case in April. Two other county commissioners remain under indictment.

### Panetta opens combat roles to women

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senior defense officials say Pentagon chief Leon Panetta is removing the military’s ban on women serving in combat, opening hundreds of thousands of front-line positions and potentially elite commando jobs after more than a decade at war.

The groundbreaking move recommended by the Joint Chiefs of Staff overturns a 1994 rule banning women from being assigned to smaller ground combat units. Panetta’s decision gives the military services until January 2016 to seek special exceptions if they believe any positions must remain closed to women.

### Proposed TX coal-fired power plant halted

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas (AP) — The company financing a proposed coal-fired power plant on the Texas Gulf coast has announced it has suspended efforts to get permits for the facility and is dissolving.

In a statement to the Corpus Christi Caller-Times Wednesday, Houston-based Chase Power LLC’s CEO Dave Freysinger confirmed plans to halt the project, which struggled to get the necessary permits.

In July, a state judge struck down an air permit issued by the state for the \$3 billion plant, arguing that state regulators did not make the project show it would meet air pollution standards.

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# Firearms

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ees, to carry firearms on campus under the federal Gun-Free Schools Act and state law.

Since the Connecticut elementary school shooting, about a dozen districts have contacted the Texas Association of School Boards for advice on changing their firearms policies, according to a spokeswoman for the group.

Many have also turned to David Thweatt, the superintendent of Harrold Independent School District, which until recently was the only district in the state with such a policy.

“For every media outlet that contacts me, I’ve had four schools,” Thweatt said. “And I have had a lot of media.”

In Thweatt’s district, which has about 100 students and is located near the Oklahoma border, employees may carry concealed firearms with school board approval after earning a concealed handgun license from the state and completing additional training provided by the district. Put in place after the 2007 Virginia Tech shootings, the policy only allows the use of frangible ammunition, which is designed to prevent ricochet by breaking apart when it hits hard surfaces.

Union Grove ISD, a rural district of about 750 students in Gladewater, last week became the second to enact such a policy. The board there is considering devoting \$10,000 to train license-holding employees in crisis intervention and management of hostile situations if they want to carry a concealed weapon.

In Cleburne, a district of about 6,800 students southwest of Fort Worth, the school board has begun discussing whether to shift school policy to allow employees to carry concealed weapons.

The board’s president, Brent Easdon, said that after an attorney examined the law, members were still unclear on what kinds of policies it authorized — even with Harrold ISD’s example.

A statement from the Texas Association of School Boards’ legal department advises districts to discuss the decision with their school attorney and insurance provider. Though state and federal law gives districts broad discretion to authorize the possession of firearms and other weapons on school premises, “granting such authority brings a host of practical concerns,

including safety, liability, and insurance,” the statement said.

Easdon said the Cleburne board would probably wait to see how the Legislature changed state policy during the 83rd session. “The discussion is going to be about the direction we want to take and what we want to do,” he said. “We may choose to do nothing.”

As for the direction state lawmakers want to take, many options are available — some more controversial than others.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst has called for state funding dedicated to training select school employees to carry concealed handguns and react in active-shooter situations. Attorney General Greg Abbott has focused on the school districts whose state-mandated safety plans are out of compliance. At a news conference in which he released the names of 78 districts in violation, he said the state should be able to penalize them for that offense. (Since then, nearly all of the districts have updated their plans in accordance with state law.)

Freshman state Rep. Jason Villalba, R-Dallas, intends to file legislation creating a program modeled on the federal air marshals that would permit districts to deputize employees to learn to use firearms as a last line of defense during an attack. Rep. Debbie Riddle, R-Tomball, has also expressed interest in expanding access to concealed handguns for school employees.

State senators will hold a hearing on student safety policies next week, and three lawmakers, including the chairmen of the Senate Finance and Criminal Justice committees, announced Tuesday that they would push to allow school districts to raise local taxes to pay for security measures.

The latest proposal may be unlikely to help a district like Cleburne, where, Easdon said, the main appeal of arming teachers instead of hiring professional guards is budgetary. He estimated that adding an additional peace officer to each of the district’s 10 campuses would cost between \$500,000 and \$600,000.

“We’re not taking it lightly or having a knee-jerk reaction to the problem,” he said. “I don’t think the district is all of a sudden going to change. This would take a few weeks and a few months to come up with a plan and implement it.”

*Maurice Chammah and Elena Schneider contributed reporting.*

# Saddle

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He said he noticed a need for a saddle shop here in town, which is what ultimately brought him back home.

“We’re preserving and honoring the cow men from around the world — Argentina, Colombia, Mexico and the U.S.,” Gonzalez said.

Carlos intends to share his passion and deep knowledge about the history of ranching with area schoolchildren. He plans to visit Pampa’s schools to conduct seminars and workshops where the students can learn first-hand about the long legacy of cow men.

“(I’ll be) letting them know about the traditions and honoring the

ranchers and honoring the men who bring home the beef,” he said.

He also expects to carry a wide selection of educational materials inside the shop, including history books and documentaries about trick ropers like the famous Will Rogers.

Gonzalez will focus on keeping the business local by acquiring raw materials from area businesses.

However, if all goes to plan, demand will necessitate ordering from larger distributors.

“Eventually, we’ll have to order from out of state,” he said. “But we’re going to try to use as many local resources as possible.”

Northern Star Saddlery is located in downtown Pampa at 107 N. Cuyler St. The store’s hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and

from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday. Gonzalez will execute special orders in the coming weeks leading up to Northern Star

Saddlery’s grand opening in February. For more info about the shop, contact Gonzalez at 806-440-0137.



Photo by Sasha Heller

Northern Star Saddlery will offer ranching items like these bits and spurs.

# City

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park, up to a maximum of \$500 per month.

In other business, the commission unanimously approved an \$84,735 appropriation from the operating budget for the lease-purchase of new

mowing equipment for the Hidden Hills Public Golf Course. Stokes said the city has the option of purchasing the new equipment for \$1 once the three-year lease expires in December 2016.

The commission also approved a \$71,687 appropriation from the operating budget for the lease-purchase of used golf course equipment.

# Debt

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the range of \$150 billion.

The measure also contains a provision that slaps at the Senate, which hasn’t debated a budget since 2009, by withholding the pay for either House or Senate members if the chamber in which they serve fails to pass a budget plan. Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., announced Wednesday that the chamber would indeed debate a budget this year but maintained the GOP’s “no budget, no pay” move had nothing to do with the decision.

President Barack Obama vows not to nego-

tiate over the debt ceiling as he did in the summer of 2011, though he promises further action on the budget. Wednesday’s developments mark a shift of the budget debate away from failed head-to-head talks between Obama and Boehner

The idea driving the move by GOP leaders like Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, is to re-sequence a series of upcoming budget battles, taking the threat of a potentially devastating government default off the table and instead setting up a clash in March over automatic across-the-board spending cuts set to strike the Pentagon and many domestic programs.

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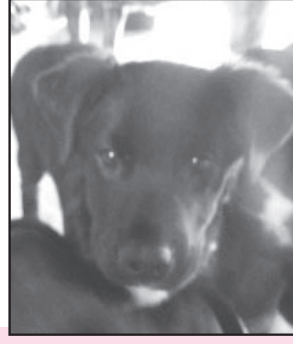





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## My grandfather got laid off

**Q:** My grandfather is 52 and has worked for one company for more than 26 years. Three months ago, his company filed for bankruptcy. He assumed he could find another position rather quickly. Now, after sending out nearly 100 resumes, his efforts have resulted in only one response. He was overqualified!



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He is experiencing mood changes, stress and being quite vocal about it. As yet, our family has not yet needed to dip into financially helping them out. That may change soon.

**Is there anything we can do to show our support and encouragement?**

**A:** Almost everyone's reaction to losing their job hits them with shock, then fear, and often evolves into anger. Often, the individual believes they made a mistake and blame themselves for what has happened. The fact that his company

went out of business is not his fault.

The fact that your grandfather worked for his employer for all those years expresses his contribution, value and loyalty. A wise employer is out there who will recognize and find a spot for him.

Looking for a job is the hardest job there is. To bring your grandfather up to speed with a selling resume, should he hire an employment coach? Could you suggest he enroll in an accounting class in which he could get exposure from peers, instructors and find networking contacts? Does he belong to a bookkeeping group or can he locate one? To keep him active and positive should volunteer his abilities to a company that might lead to a permanent job? Your grandfather may be forced to lower his career expectations. Many companies are flooded with applications. They can now offer less salary, medical coverage, just a week's vacation and employ only part-time work.

Many cities have or are in the process of outsourcing some of their internal departments which

cuts down expenses. Utility billing departments seem to be high on the list for possible outsourcing. Could these new outsourcing companies use your grandfather's abilities?

Encourage your grandfather to remain positive, tell him that he will find a new job, and it is only a matter of timing. Based on his abilities the odds are in his favor!

**Q:** Many of us no longer make annual personal resolutions because we fail to accomplish them. I continue to do so, but as usual, even in January, I am already flunking. I simply get overwhelmed with my hopes and desires to improve myself.

**A:** Procrastination is the primary reason we do not make our resolutions successful. We expect too much of ourselves. In order to change our habits and routines, we must take greater control of our wishes. This requires discipline, which is challenging and difficult.

*Doug Mayberry makes the most of life in a Southern California retirement community.*

## Still hoping with President Obama

In the days before the re-inauguration of President Obama, there have been the usual curtain raisers, with the usual suspects screaming from their respective corners about the usual stuff. And then there have been interviews with "real" people.

I was listening to NPR on Wednesday night; they stationed a reporter outside the White House to ask tourists what they would tell the president. Some of them had voted for him; many of them had not. Not one of them screamed. Not one of them insulted him, threatened to impeach him or accused him of anything approaching a high crime or misdemeanor. To a person, they were gracious. They congratulated him on his re-election, even if they voted for his opponent. They complimented him on his beautiful family and wished them well.

And they expressed their hopes — imagine that, hopes — for the future. The hopes ran the gamut: for jobs, for equality, for lower taxes, for fiscal responsibility, for education for their kids, and what the people who have been given loudspeakers seem to forget, is that Barack Obama is the president of the United States, not just the blue ones, and that once the contest is over, whether it's an intramural ball game or an intramural presidential election, we shake hands and go forward together.

Why is that so hard to understand? How is it that an entire professional (or maybe not so professional) class has emerged that makes its living pretending it isn't so, that our divisions are hopeless, that the other side is not just wrong but disloyal, and that the pot of gold awaits the one who makes the most noise and the ugliest claims. When Hillary Clinton was ill, most Americans wished her well — whether they voted for her or not, whether they supported her work as secretary

of state or not. But the ones who got the most attention were those who literally accused her of faking her illness — of faking a concussion and a blood clot, days in the hospital and months of monitoring — to escape congressional hearings that she has vowed to attend before she leaves office. Did they really think she was faking? Did they really think the pictures of a clearly shaken Chelsea Clinton were staged for photographers? Of course not. It was just a game to get attention. And it worked — which is why you see so much of it. I assume that within seconds of the president's taking the oath (OK, within seconds of the lead-up specials), the attacks will begin on everything from what he said to what his children were wearing. Many of them will make no pretense of being constructive. They will be loud, noisy and mean-spirited, and they will get plenty of attention.

You can blame the media for that. You can blame the cable network you don't like or the radio host you can't stand, as opposed to the equally loud-mouthed one you listen to. Or you can look to the left, look to the right and look in the mirror to see the real culprit. Why so many negative ads, people used to ask me when I did campaigns. I laughed. Simple. They work. Why so much screaming on television and on the radio?

Personally, I hate it when a screamer comes into my house, in person or electronically. I vowed years ago that when people start yelling at me on television, I just stop. Let them yell. That is not, sadly for me anyway, the way to win fame and fortune in the media. If people actually voted with their remote controls for the values we teach our children — mutual respect, decency, honesty — that's what we'd see and hear.

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## Gun culture? What about the fatherless culture?

The face of gun violence is not Sandy Hook. It is Chicago.

In 2012, President Barack Obama's adopted hometown had 506 murders, including more than 60 children. Philadelphia, a city that local television newscasters frequently call "Killadelphia," saw 331 killed last year. In Detroit, 386 people were murdered.

Since 1966, there have been 90 school shootings in the U.S., with 231 fatalities. Yes, Sandy Hook shocked us. But the odds of a child being killed at a school shooting are longer than the odds of being struck by lightning. Of the 11,000 to 12,000 gun murders each year, more than half involve both black killers and black victims, mostly in urban areas and mostly gang-related. The No. 1 cause of preventable death for young black men is not auto accidents or accidental drowning, but homicide.

Rapper/actor Ice T ("Cop Killer") and I attended the same high school. In the 1991 John Singleton film "Boyz n the Hood," the teenagers attend that school, and car-cruise the South Central Los Angeles

boulevard after which the school is named.

Crenshaw High opened in 1968. By the time Ice-T left, less than a decade later, Crenshaw had become, in the rapper's words, "a Crip school" — meaning one controlled by that street gang. Because of the school's reputation for violence, Time Magazine called it "Fort Crenshaw." A powerhouse in basketball and football, the school lost its accreditation 2005, before getting it back in 2006 on a short-term basis.

In 1970, I was part of the second graduating class in the new school's history. Some kids, who started with me in the 10th grade, did not finish. But it was the exception rather than the rule. By 2012, only 51 percent of Crenshaw's students graduated. What happened? Dads disappeared. Or, more precisely, to use Bill Cosby's term, the number of "unwed fathers" exploded.

In 1965, Daniel Patrick Moynihan wrote "The Negro Family: A Case for National Action." At the time, 25 percent of blacks children were born out of wedlock, a number Moynihan called alarming. Fast forward to the present, 72 percent of black children are now born out of wedlock. In fact, 36 percent of white children are born out of wedlock. Of Hispanic children, 53 percent are born outside of marriage.

In "Boyz n the Hood," Tre, played by Cuba Gooding Jr., has an active father in his life. Doughboy, played by Ice Cube, was raised without a father. His mother resents him because she dislikes his father.

On the other hand, Gooding's hardworking, responsible father, played by Laurence Fishburne, stays on his son. He warns him against hanging out with the wrong people and that becoming a street criminal was a trap. He lectures his son that "any fool with a (penis) can make a baby, but only a real man can raise his children."

Studies show that children of divorced parents can have outcomes as positive as those coming from intact homes, provided the father remains financially supportive and active in his children's lives. But what happens without dads in the 'hood?

In 1979, the National Longitudinal Survey of Youth found that fatherless kids were twice as likely to drop out of school and that girls who grew up without dads were 2.5 times more likely to become pregnant teenagers.

Rutgers University sociology professor David Popenoe published "Life Without Father" in 1996, where he describes the "massive erosion" of fathers in America. Popenoe concluded that

boys raised without fathers were more likely to have problems with drugs, alcohol, behavior and social interactions. Several studies during the '90s found that disruption in family structures was a predictor of children's gang involvement.

Many on the left dismiss the importance of fathers as "right-wing," blame-the-victim propaganda. Well, the late rapper Tupac Shakur, in the posthumously released documentary "Resurrection," said: "I know for a fact that had I had a father, I'd have some discipline. I'd have more confidence." He admits that he starting hanging out with gangs because he wanted to belong to a family structure, and it offered structure, support and protection — the kind of thing we once expected home and family to provide.

The formula for achieving middle-class success is simple: Finish high school; don't have a child before the age of 20; and get married before having the child. Preparing for the future requires dedication.

It requires deferring gratification, precisely the kind of "discipline" that Tupac admitted he lacked because he grew up without a father.

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## ENERGY EXPECT



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**FUTURE LOOKS BRIGHT.** Pampa resident Warren Chisum, left, a former representative in the Texas Legislature, was guest speaker at Tuesday's Pampa Rotary Club meeting. Chisum has spent much of his career working with the oil and natural gas business. He said "life is good right now" in those industries. In recent years, he said, the United States has reduced its dependency on foreign oil from 60 to 40 percent, and much of that can be attributed to production in Texas, where about half of the nation's inland oil rigs are located. "As long as oil stays at \$80 to \$100 (a barrel) as it has in the past three years then the future looks good for Texas. With new technologies such as horizontal drilling, Texas has moved to the forefront of natural gas production, he said. In horizontal drilling, a line can run for up to two miles instead of much shorter distances with vertical drilling. Chisum concluded saying he looks forward to the day when America will become "energy independent," which in his words will only import oil from our neighbors, Canada and Mexico, and not unfriendly companies in the Middle East. Chisum is pictured with Brad Morse, CEO of Pampa Regional Medical Center, who introduced him at the lunch meeting.

## A&M to enroll 25,000 engineering students

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas A&M University is promising to increase its enrollment of students studying engineering from around 11,000 to 25,000 by 2025.

University System Chancellor John Sharp said Wednesday that the school is responding to calls from state business leaders who need a more highly educated workforce.

Sharp said last year, 10,000 students applied for just 1,600 undergraduate engineering slots. He said more students will

help ensure the university is among the top-ranked nationwide to study engineering.

A&M President R. Bowen Loftin said the initiative means total university enrollment will eventually reach 60,000 students. He said that will mean building more campus infrastructure and hiring additional faculty.

Loftin said the school will need extra support from the state Legislature to cover those costs, but he couldn't say how much might be needed.

## UNITED WAY UPDATE



The Pampa United Way 2012 campaign has now raised \$285,650, or 91 percent of its goal of \$315,000. The agency is striving to meet its 2012 goal by Jan. 31. Contributions to the United Way can be mailed to P.O. Box 2076, Pampa, Texas 79065. The Pampa United Way is holding its annual meeting and awards luncheon from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 29, at the AmericInn Event Center. The event is free to the public, but reservations must be made by Jan. 25 by calling 669-1001.

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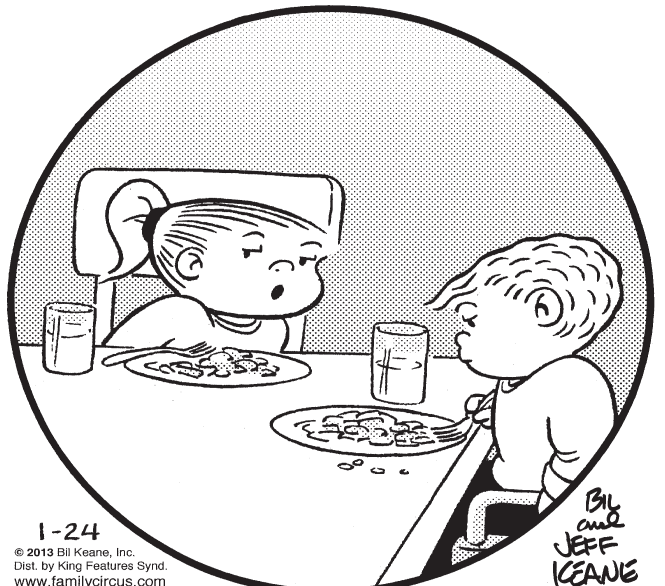
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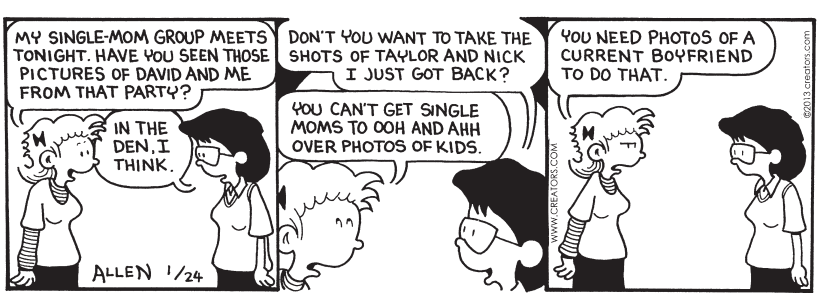


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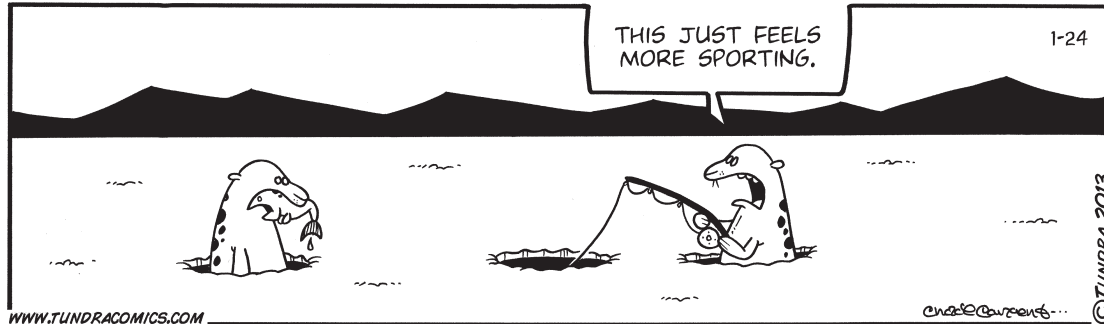
MY SINGLE-MOM GROUP MEETS TONIGHT. HAVE YOU SEEN THOSE PICTURES OF DAVID AND ME FROM THAT PARTY?  
IN THE DEN, I THINK.  
DON'T YOU WANT TO TAKE THE SHOTS OF TAYLOR AND NICK I JUST GOT BACK?  
YOU CAN'T GET SINGLE MOMS TO OOH AND AHH OVER PHOTOS OF KIDS.  
YOU NEED PHOTOS OF A CURRENT BOYFRIEND TO DO THAT.

## daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Friday, Jan. 25, 2013:  
This year, you often juggle different views, feelings and thoughts. You wonder whether to do what you feel or do what you think. Others are attracted to you, as clearly you are a people-person. Your charisma is high this year, too. If you are single, there is a constant flow of potential suitors. Know that there always are more just around the corner! If you are attached, a newfound intensity emerges, especially if you defer to your sweetie. LEO is proud. Be careful -- do not offend him or her.  
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)  
★★★★ You could encounter a misunderstanding or a problematic situation. If you let yourself get sucked into it, it could ruin a creative moment. Communication accelerates, as your personal life weaves into your professional life. Don't worry -- you can handle it. Tonight: Let the fun begin.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
★★★★ What you thought about doing today might not happen. Others' demands or interests very well could distract you. You might feel a need to turn your attention elsewhere. Friends and loved ones do appreciate your efforts. Tonight: Let the good times rock and roll.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
★★★★ Speak your mind, but realize that not everyone has a similar opinion. Be open to other ideas or to someone else putting down what you believe to be a nugget of wisdom. You'll still get your way. It is hard to turn you down. Tonight: Out and about, strutting your stuff.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
★★★★ You could discover that a creative idea falls flat. Let go, and let others find a different response or solution. Focus on what you enjoy. Make a point of going out to buy that special present or token of affection. Express your caring and do not hold back. Tonight: Your treat.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
★★★★ A little reticence disappears quickly. You could make a big deal out of a problem, or you could decide to let it go. Others are only too happy to meet with you, both professionally and personally. You don't need to make something a bigger issue than it is. Tonight:

Prime time!  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
★★★★ Honor your energy level. If you feel discouraged by a conversation or a situation, try not to give it too much attention, especially as there is little you can do until later. Get into a project that involves interacting less with others. Tonight: Make plans, but keep them low-key.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
★★★★ You might have the best intentions and want to keep a meeting all business, yet you might discover a problem. Acknowledge what is going on behind the scenes. You might not even have a choice, as it is obvious that someone intrigues you. Tonight: TGIF! You need a break.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
★★★★ When others flake out, who steps up to the plate? You don't need to look around. You are at your best when you are in the position of handling a problem. You like feeling empowered, and you resent situations that are out of control. Tonight: A must appearance.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
★★★★ Deal with others directly, and open up to someone about what you feel is a difficult situation. You might hear that you are creating the problem in your head. Try revising your thinking, and you will see the situation from a different perspective. Tonight: Be a duo.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
★★★★ Listen to your inner voice, and you might realize that you're not on the right course for you. Others might disagree. At what point do you decide to go about this matter alone? Don't worry -- a partner or business associate will come to the rescue. Tonight: Join a close friend.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
★★★★ Defer to others, and listen to their fears. A boss might be very difficult, and your approach might not be appropriate. Others' suggestions don't seem to work, either. You might want to deliberate carefully on an important decision. Tonight: Say "yes" to an invitation.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
★★★★ You can move through a project quickly once you confront the first obstacles. Good will and support among those who are involved does make a big difference. Be more upbeat, and a family member or loved one won't be able to say no. Tonight: Stay mellow.

**Tundra**



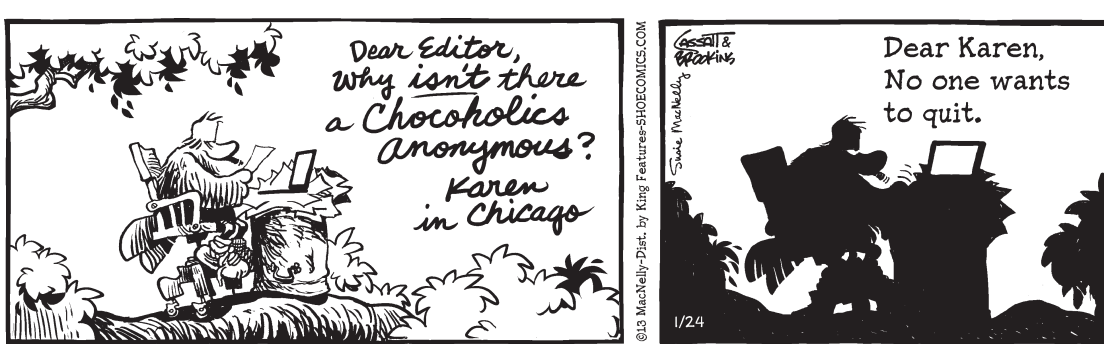
THIS JUST FEELS MORE SPORTING.

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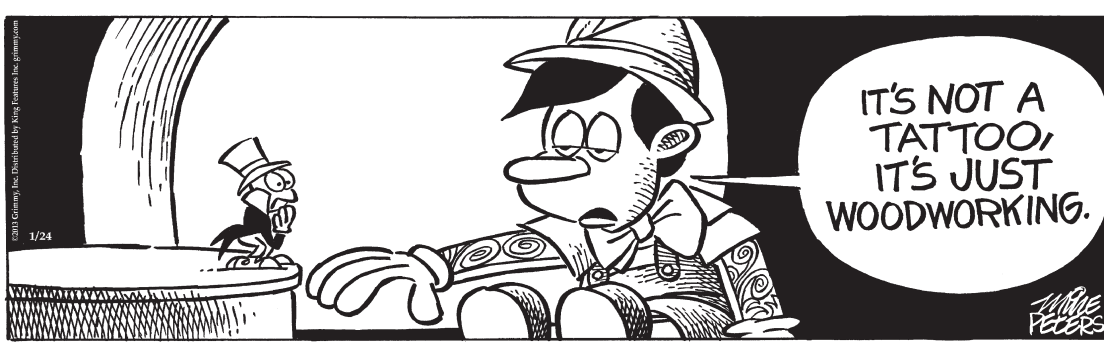
**Shoe**



Dear Editor, why isn't there a Chocoholics Anonymous? Karen in Chicago

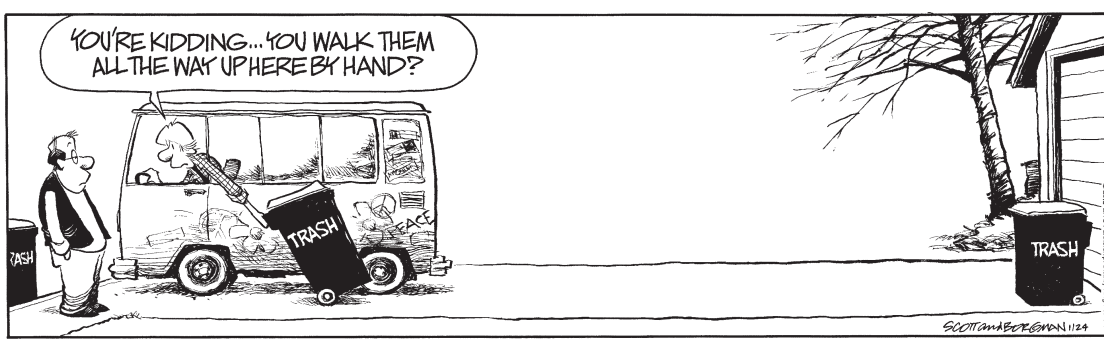
Dear Karen, No one wants to quit.

**Mother Goose and Grim**



IT'S NOT A TATTOO, IT'S JUST WOODWORKING.

**Zits**



YOU'RE KIDDING... YOU WALK THEM ALL THE WAY UP HERE BY HAND?

**Garfield**



ISN'T THIS BETTER THAN WATCHING TV IN A STUFFY ROOM?

THIS IS REALITY!

UMMMM... SO IT'S LIKE A DOCUMENTARY?

IT'S CALLED "OUTSIDE!"

**Beetle Bailey**



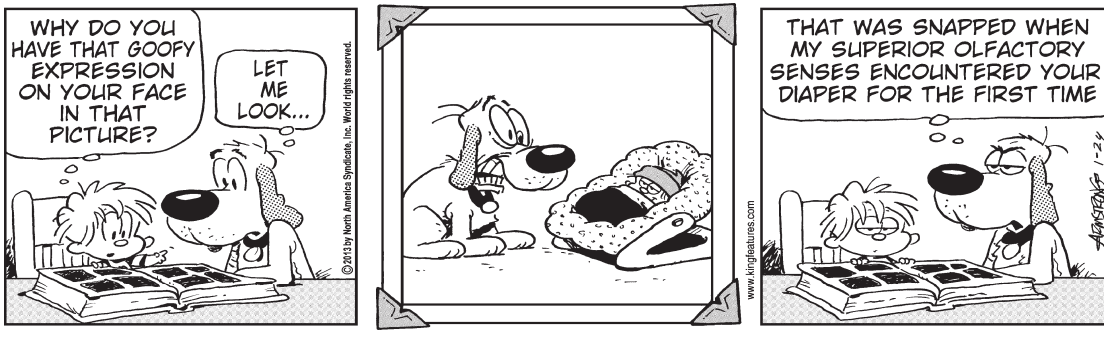
GREG+ MOIR+ WALKER I JUST FINISHED CLEANING IT, SIR

VERY NICE, JULIUS

TAKE OFF MY SHOES?!

I CAN'T HAVE YOU TRACKING DIRT IN THERE!

**Marvin**

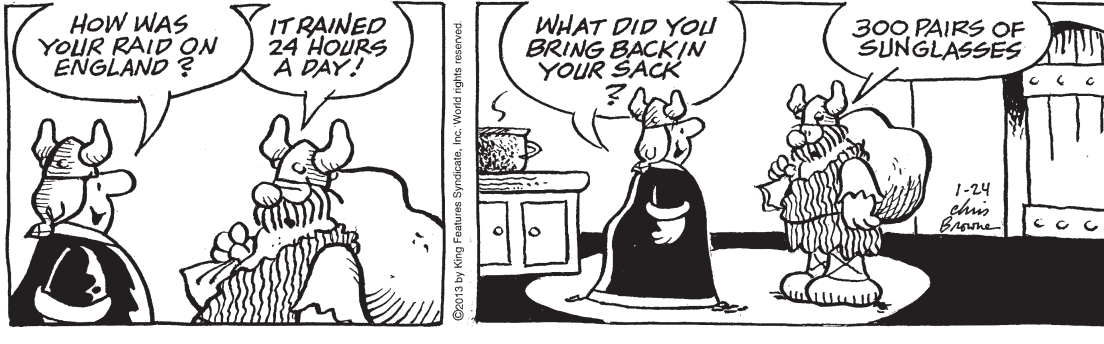


WHY DO YOU HAVE THAT GOOPY EXPRESSION ON YOUR FACE IN THAT PICTURE?

LET ME LOOK...

THAT WAS SNAPPED WHEN MY SUPERIOR OLFACTORY SENSES ENCOUNTERED YOUR DIAPER FOR THE FIRST TIME

**Hagar The Horrible**



HOW WAS YOUR RAID ON ENGLAND?

IT RAINED 24 HOURS A DAY!

WHAT DID YOU BRING BACK IN YOUR SACK?

300 PAIRS OF SUNGLASSES

**Peanuts**



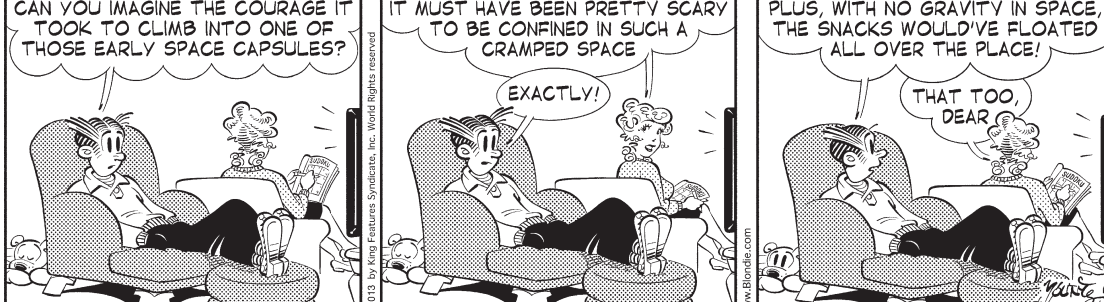
THERE'S A BURGLAR DOWN THERE... I CAN HEAR HIM!

I CAN HEAR TWO OF THEM! I WONDER WHAT THEY'RE AFTER... MAYBE MY SILVER CANDLESTICKS...

THEY'RE COMING UP THE STAIRWAY!

THEY'RE STEALING MY VAN GOGH!

**Blondie**



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The Pampa News welcomes all submitted materials for area support groups. Please include the meeting time, date and location and, if applicable, provide a contact number for each group.

■ **Victims of domestic violence and sexual assault**, meet at 5:30 p.m.,

Thursdays, and at 2 p.m., Fridays, at the Tralee Crisis Center, 308 S. Cuyler St. For more info, call the Center at 806-669-1131.

■ **Narcotics Anonymous — The Pampa Group** meets at 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays, and at 6 p.m., Saturdays, at 805 N. Gray St. **Narcotics Anonymous — Rufe Jordan Unit** also meets at 6 p.m., Mondays, and at 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays, at 1992 Hilton Road.

■ **Diabetics Support** meets at 7 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month in the Pampa Re-

gional Medical Center cafeteria. For more info, contact Cynthia Ackley at 806-663-5504.

■ **Cancer Support** meets at 1 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Pampa Regional Medical Center cafeteria. For more info, contact Beth Kean at 806-359-4673. Ext. 235.

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous** Open Door Club meets daily at noon and 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky Ave. Al-Anon meets at noon on Mondays. For more information, call 665-9072.

■ **Pampa Caregiver Support** meets at the Pampa Nursing Center on 1321 W. Kentucky Ave. at 6 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. For more information call 806-669-2551.

■ **Accolade Home Care** sponsors a **Parkinson's Support Group** the second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. The group meets at Accolade at 1313 N. Hobart St. For more information, call Lindsey Been at 665-9700 or 324-3230.



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## Texas parents get custody of kids living in bus

CONROE, Texas (AP) — The parents of two children who were found living alone and unsupervised on an old renovated school bus in the Houston area have been granted full custody.

A judge in Conroe on Tuesday dismissed the custody case against Mark and Sherrie Shorten, who were in prison when the children were found living alone. The Shortens had left the children in the care of an aunt but she became overwhelmed.

The couple, their 12-year-old daughter and 6-year-old son, attended court to affirm the family abided by Child Protective Services requirements.

The parents were finishing 18-month terms for conspiracy to embezzle Hurricane Ike money in Louisiana when a postal carrier spotted the disheveled children last March.

The children have been back living with their parents in the renovated bus since September.

### Lawmakers for more security in schools

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Three Texas lawmakers are planning to introduce legislation to give school districts more options in providing security on campus.

Sen. John Whitmire, Sen. Tommy Williams and Rep. Dan Huberty are expected to announce the “Texas School District Security Act” on Tuesday. They say the bill will give districts more options for increased law enforcement and other security measures in schools.

Williams and Huberty are both Republicans, while Whitmire is the Democratic chair of the Senate Criminal Justice Committee. The bill is

the latest response to the school shooting in Newtown, Conn., that left 20 children dead.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst has proposed providing state-funded special weapons training to school teachers. The National Rifle Association has called for armed guards in every school. Some Democrats want stricter gun laws.

### Minor earthquake in Dallas, nobody hurt

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas area has had another minor earthquake.

The U.S. Geological Survey says the 3.0 magnitude quake happened at 10:16 p.m. Tuesday. The quake was centered about five miles north-northwest of Irving.

Officials say no damage or injuries were immediately reported.

A Dec. 12 earthquake about 13 miles south of Fort Worth had a 2.6 magnitude.

### Soda spills, freezes on road when rigs crash

READING, Pa. (AP) — Everyone knows soda can be bad for your teeth. Sometimes, it can apparently threaten the morning commute, too.

Police say two tractor-trailers collided on U.S. Route 422 outside Reading, Pa., around 12:40 a.m. Tuesday. The Reading Eagle reports (<http://bit.ly/10mYCVv>) one of the trucks was carrying 2-liter bottles of soda.

Hundreds of gallons of sugary drink spilled onto the highway and froze in the frigid early morning temperatures. Those slick conditions from the crash ended up shutting down the roadway in Exeter Township for more than five hours.

Traffic was detoured until the road reopened shortly after 6 a.m.

### New Zealand to eradicate pet cats?

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (AP) — Gareth Morgan has a simple dream: a New Zealand free of pet cats that threaten native birds. But the environmental advocate has triggered a claws-out backlash with his anti-feline campaign.

Morgan called on his countrymen Tuesday to make their current cat their last in order to save the nation’s unique bird species. He set up a website, called Cats To Go, depicting a tiny kitten with red devil’s horns.

He doesn’t recommend people euthanize their current cats — “Not necessarily but that is an option” are the site’s exact words — but rather neuter them and not replace them when they die. Morgan, an economist and well-known businessman, also suggests people keep cats indoors and that local governments make registration mandatory.

Morgan’s campaign is not sitting well in a country that boasts one of the highest cat ownership rates in the world.

“I say to Gareth Morgan, butt out of our lives,” Bob Kerridge, the president of the Royal New Zealand Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, told the current affairs television show Campbell Live. “Don’t deprive us of the beautiful companionship that a cat can provide individually and as a family.”

For thousands of years, New Zealand’s native birds had no predators and flourished. Some species, like the kiwi, became flightless. But the arrival of mankind and its introduction of predators like cats, dogs and rodents have wiped out some native bird species altogether and endangered many others.

# Community Calendar

### City Commission meetings

The Pampa City Commission meets at 4 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The meetings are held on the third floor of City Hall.

### School board meetings

The Pampa Independent School District board meets at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month. Check The Pampa News for meeting locations.

### County Commission meetings

The Gray County Commission meets at 9 a.m. on the 15th and 30th of each month. If the date falls on a Saturday, the meeting will be held on Friday. If the date falls on a Sunday, the meeting will be held on Monday. The meetings are held on the second floor of the Gray County Courthouse.

### Meredith House presents live music

Meredith House, an assisted-living facility at 812 W. 25th Ave., has a band performing at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Saturday night. Join them for Western music, gospel and the classics. For more information, call 806-665-5668.

### Jam sessions every Friday night

The Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center has a jam sessions every Friday night starting at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to play or listen. The center is located at 320 S. Cuyler St. For more information, call 806-664-0824.

### Pampa Pride religion section

The Pampa News will publish multiple special

sections in the paper on March 29. One of those sections is the religion section. To have your church featured, please contact the paper.

Send us a story and/or picture about your church or bring it by the paper. Submissions must be received by Jan. 31. For more information, call 669-2525.

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You may also bring the story to the paper. Submissions deadlines vary by section. Please get the stories in ASAP to increase the chances of the story being included. For more information, call 669-2525.

### Clarendon enrollment open until Jan. 25

Enrollment to Clarendon College is open until Jan. 25. To enroll visit the college or contact Aaron Lopez. For more information or to enroll contact Lopez at 665-8801 ext. 2007 or email him at [aaron.lopez@clarendon-college.edu](mailto:aaron.lopez@clarendon-college.edu).

### Poetry reading Jan. 26

Local area poets will hold an open Poetry Reading at Lovett Memorial Library on Jan. 26. The following poets will be reading: Virginia Yates, Panhandle; Gaye Robinson, Pampa; and Gloria G. Bowen, Pampa. Any other poets who wish to read, please contact Bowen at 669-1942 or 663-0448.

### New animal shelter groundbreaking

The City of Pampa will host a groundbreaking ceremony for the new animal control facility at noon, Jan. 29, at 811 S. Hobart St., inside Hobart Street Park.

### Citizen, business of year nominations

The Pampa Chamber of Commerce is now seeking nominations for the Pampa Citizen of the Year and Business of the Year for 2012. Forms may be picked up at the chamber office, 200 N. Ballard St., or by sending an email to [admin@pampachamber.com](mailto:admin@pampachamber.com). Nominations must be in to the chamber office by 5 p.m. on Jan. 31.

The winners will be announced at the annual awards banquet at 7 p.m., Tuesday Feb. 26, at the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium Heritage Room. The cost is \$25 per person and tickets can be purchased at the chamber.

### Social planned on Valentine’s Day

The Meredith House is celebrating its community sweethearts at 2 p.m. on Valentine’s Day. All visitors will have a chance to win a grand prize and join them as they crown the Meredith House King and Queen. RSVP by Feb. 11 by calling 665-5668.

*Editor’s note: Email submissions to [thowsare@thepampanews.com](mailto:thowsare@thepampanews.com). Submissions should be 100 words or less and written in the third person.*

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# PampaSports

## Harvesters slow second half start turns costly

BY ZACHARY GREEN  
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The Hustlin' Harvesters traveled to Perryton on Tuesday night for their third district game. Right out of the locker room, Pampa started off hot with three-pointers by Cade Engle and Derrek Pollard to give Pampa an 8-1 lead with five minutes to go in the quarter before a Perryton timeout. Ty Hutto hit two three-pointers himself later in the quarter. Pampa led 16-8 after the first.

Perryton started to make a run in the second quarter with the score at halftime Pampa 23, Perryton 22. Early in the third quarter, Perryton took their first lead of the game at 25-23, a lead the Rangers would never relinquish. Perryton outscored Pampa 16-4 in the third quarter to take a 38-27 lead into the final period.

Pollard hit a three-pointer to bring the score to 41-32 with 2:32 left in the game and Pampa Coach Matt Embry called a timeout. After the break in the action, Patterson Alvey stole the ball and

Hutto followed up with a three-pointer to bring Pampa to within six at 41-35 with 1:50 left in the ball game. Perryton would sink their free throws to ice the game. The final score was Perryton 49, Pampa 37.

"Our shots that fell in the first half did not fall in the second half. We matched their intensity for the first half," said Pampa Head Coach Matt Embry. "I told the guys at halftime that Perryton would make a run and we would have to match it." Embry added that the guys need to stay positive, keep the moral high and stay upbeat. "We are still right in the thick of things. We sent a message that when Perryton comes to Pampa it won't be easy for them knowing that we are capable of getting a lead on them."

Pollard led Pampa with 16 points. Hutto added 11 points. Engle finished with nine points and Gabe Garcia scored a point.

With the loss, Pampa falls to 7-15 overall and 1-2 in district play. Next up the Harvesters will host River Road on Friday night.

### Boys district standings

Team	Wins	Losses
Perryton	4	0
Dalhart	2	1
<b>Pampa</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
Borger	1	3
River Road	0	3

At the end of the season the top three teams in the district will head to the playoffs. This goes for both the boys and the girls varsity teams.

### Girls district standings

Team	Wins	Losses
Perryton	5	0
Dalhart	4	1
<b>Pampa</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
River Road	1	4
Borger	0	4



Photos by Cherie Duke  
Above, Cade Engle dishes a pass to Romel Lee. Center, Derrek Pollard soars above Ranger defenders for a bucket. Below, Ryan Powell, Lee and Engle try to stop a Perryton defender.



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# PampaSports

## Walton, Herbert too much for the Lady Harvesters



By ZACHARY GREEN

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The Lady Harvesters traveled to Perryton on Tuesday in hopes to avenge their district opener loss to the Rangerettes.

After the first quarter, Pampa trailed 24-9.

At the half, Pampa trailed 43-22. After three quarters, the score was 54-32 in favor of the Rangerettes.

The final score was Perryton 73, Pampa 54.

“Considering the circumstances we dealt with this week we played really well. They (Perryton) are a very good team and we held them to 11 points in the third quarter. I feel very good about that,” said Pampa Head Coach Gene Valentine. “I am proud of this team for not backing off. We are still in the hunt and have nothing to lose.”

Valentine added that the Lady Harvesters came in and gave the Rangerettes a game.

“The last three games we have proven

we can play hard. I am proud that these girls bonded and stayed together and didn't give up.”

Sidney Walton scored 31 points to lead all scorers and Jordan Herbert added 22 for the Rangerettes.

Hayley Burnett led Pampa with 18 points. She also shot 5-6 from the free-throw line. Madison Brown added 10 points. Taylor Eubank had eight points and shot 4-9 in her free throws.

Rachel Andrews and Hannah Baker each added five points. Risa Rodriguez finished with four points. Allison Ceyanes and Casey Sark each added two points for the Lady Harvesters.

As a team, Pampa shot 10-18, or 56 percent, from the free-throw line.

With the loss, Pampa falls to 8-15 on the season and 2-3 in district play.

Pampa played an ineligible player in the game against Dalhart, forcing a Pampa forfeit of that game.

Next up for the Lady Harvesters is River Road right here in Pampa on Friday night.

Photos by Cherie Duke  
Clockwise from top left, Hannah Baker attempts to block a Rangerette shot. Madison Brown shoots a layup. Allison Ceyanes shoots over three Perryton defenders. Risa Rodriguez sets up for a rebound of a potential miss while Ceyanes tries to block it.

### 2-FRESH



Photo by Zachary Green

**WE IN HERE.** Greg Cabrales, left, and his brother, Oliver, have a band named 2-Fresh that created the warmup song for the Hustlin' Harvesters basketball team for home games in McNeely Fieldhouse.

## Brothers create warmup song for the Hustlin' Harvesters

By ZACHARY GREEN

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If one were to attend a varsity boys basketball game at McNeely Fieldhouse in Pampa, they might hear a song as the boys are warming up.

Most teams use warm up songs to get them pumped up for the game, however, Pampa's is a little unique as it was created by one of the players and his brother.

The song is called “We in Here,” and it is by 2-Fresh, a band made up of Greg and Oliver Cabrales.

The song goes through every player on the team, giving a brief pump up to every player.

Not only do the Cabrales' have that song, they also have made about 25-30 other songs.

During Greg's senior year they made a warmup song for the team because it was Oliver's idea.

And now with this being Oliver's senior year, Greg was the one who came up with the idea for the warmup song.

Greg said it kind of just happened. “One day Oliver came home from school and had written a song.

I was like, we should put music to this. So we went to Walmart and got a cheap microphone to record the song.”

Oliver added that it just started as a hobby. “The more we made songs, the more we liked doing it. It has turned into a passion and something that we will pursue further.”

Greg is attending Frank Phillips College in Borger and majoring in Business. He said he is also trying

to minor in Audio Engineering. Oliver said that he plans on going to the University of Oklahoma or Oklahoma State University.

He said he plans to double major in International Business and Civil Engineering.

Greg and Oliver want to thank Drew Facio and his family. “They are the ones that helped us choose the right microphones and are the reason we have the sound that we do,” said Greg and Oliver. “We want to thank Coach Embury for letting us play the song during the warmups.

And we also want to thank our parents, Maria and Greg Cabrales, for being so supportive through our music.

If one would like to listen to the song come out Friday night for the boys game at 7:30 p.m.

### Volleyball Standings

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Recreational	Conference	Overall
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Rednecks	0-0	1-1
Domino's	0-0	1-1
Utility Tire	0-0	0-2

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	Conference	Overall
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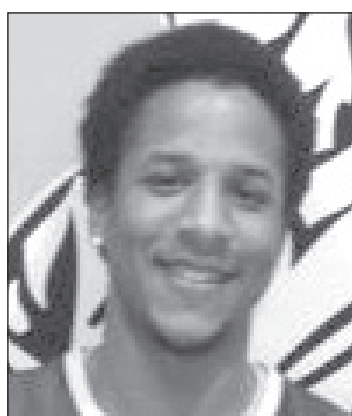
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**SCHOOL EDITION**

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## Wilson Wolves Together we are a family

## Wilson students participate in Showcase



Above: Mr. Smyth explains the division questions each class came up with. Also pictured is Rebekah Noordenbos.



Above: Mrs. Harris takes her bilingual around looking at other booths. Pictured with her is Abraham Dias Gonzales and Myrna Ramirez.



Above: Mrs. Morehart oversees the division games the students played. Pictured with her is Haven Jenkins.



Above: Mrs. Polan and Ms. Alan at their social studies booth at the Showcase at the High School. Below: their students predicted what phones will be like in the future.



Left: Mrs. Babcock explains to a parent what their showcase booth is about.



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# Pampa Faith

## God departs when driven away

It is almost unthinkable that anyone would kick God out of their life like a bouncer does a troublesome drunk. However that is just what happens all too often in far too many lives. One such occasion is described in Ezekiel 8-11. For 75 verses God reveals visions and words to Ezekiel and then in a single verse, 11:25 it says, "Then I told the exiles all the things that the Lord had shown me." His fellow Jews must have wept and mourned as they heard how God had viewed their behavior and actions prior to their fall and captivity.

Over and over again throughout chapters 8-11 God calls the lifestyle of His children an ABOMINATION! The vision Ezekiel sees is horrifically unimaginable. He sees the glory of Jehovah driven away from God's own sanctuary by intolerantly refusing to share it with pagan idols.

Then as if that wasn't enough, Ezekiel is commanded to dig out a hole in the inner court wall so that he could get a better look-see at these abominations. Not only were there idols of every type and variety on every wall, but Jaazaniah was leading 70 Israelite elders in the worship of these idols. And maybe saddest of all in this part of the vision is the fact that Jaazaniah's father was the faithful priest, Shaphan, who read the discovered book of the law to Josiah in 2 Kings 22. He had forsaken his family's ways of faithfulness.

Then just when Ezekiel thought that things couldn't possibly get any worse, BAM! Ezekiel beheld Israelite women weeping for Tammuz, the Sumerian God of the crops and fertility, to hear them; looking to him for their blessings and needs. Even average Jewish women had become idolaters in the vision.

Then again Ezekiel witnesses even greater abominations. Suddenly he sees 25 Israelite men prostrate on the ground in worship. But God forbid, they turned their backs on God's holy temple and were flat on their faces worshipping the sun.

Then God pronounces divine judgment: "Therefore I will deal with them in anger; I will not look on them with pity or spare them. Although they shout in my ears, I will not listen to them."

In the midst of all this horror, God unveils a little hope. Jehovah commands that those who "sigh and groan over all the abominations" are to receive a mark on their foreheads and that no marked person is to be destroyed.

Then destruction is unleashed on Jerusalem; God's judgment descends without mercy or pity. And notice that there are only 2 categories: marked and unmarked. Everybody was either one or the other. The same is true today.

Then the unquestionably saddest thing happened: "Then the glory of the Lord departed".

As horrible as the destruction was, the departure of the Lord's presence was worse. And God would never have left if He hadn't been driven away by His own sons and daughters. They chose manmade idols over their loving Father; turned to chunks of wood and stone for help instead of their God who created them. Surely God was heart-broken.

Then the vision ended and as much as he probably didn't want to, Ezekiel had to go tell it all to his fellow exiles. What a gloomy reminder of just how far children of God can drift away from their Father. And if we think that can't ever happen to us, then we are fools. So are you marked or unmarked? God bless. Mike

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**MIKE SUBLETT**



## Five reasons why I believe

We need to know what we believe and why we believe it.

As Christianity comes under attack more and more in our nation, by the media and others, we should be able to contend for our faith.

In 1 Peter 3:15, we're commanded to "always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have."

If someone asked why you believe, would you know how to answer?

I didn't. I had put my trust in Jesus, but for a long time I didn't know how to explain my faith to others.

As I studied this more, I found five things I could point to in the Bible to show others why I believe.

These are five reasons for my faith:

1. I have the promises of God. In John 3 and John 14, we're told that God loves us so much that He gave His son so we may have eternal life and that Christ prepares a place for us in heaven.

We have the assurance that Jesus paid the price for our sin and if we believe in Him, we will have eternal life.

2. I know Jesus is the only way to God. In John 14:6, Jesus says, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

The Bible teaches that atonement must be made for our sin. No other religion offers atonement for sins.

Christ's sacrifice on the cross is that atonement.

No other religion offers this promise.

3. I know Jesus is the risen savior. Without Christ's resurrection, we have no hope. In 1 Corinthians 15:14, it says, "And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith."

The resurrection shows us His power over death which brings hope to all who believe.

4. Jesus appeared to many before He ascended into heaven.

The fact that we have many eye-witness testimonies to Christ, His resurrection proves His victory over death.

5. Jesus fulfilled many prophecies concerning the Messiah. He fulfilled Old Testament prophecy in his birth, birthplace, return from Egypt and his early life in Nazareth. Other prophecies were fulfilled by Jesus: The Christ was to die by crucifixion. Others were to throw dice for his garments (Psalm 22:18).

The Messiah would be a sin offering (Isaiah 53:5-12). The Messiah would rise from the dead (Psalm 16:10-11).

These are only a few reasons why I believe. I encourage you to look into the Bible and find reasons for your faith so you'll be ready to give an answer if someone asks why you believe.

In this day when Christianity is under attack, we must always be prepared to contend for our faith.

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## Health



## Several different conditions comprise “low vision”

Millions of people have significant visual impairments that can make daily life challenging. Although many vision problems are readily treated with corrective lenses, treating low vision may not be so simple.

“Low vision” is a term used to describe the inability to see clearly. Even after correcting for vision with glasses or contact lenses, many people still cannot see well and test at lower than 20/40 vision. The American Academy of Ophthalmology defines low vision as what happens if ordinary eyeglasses, contact lenses or intraocular lens implants do not provide a person with clear vision.

Anyone with reduced vision that is not corrected by some method of lenses or surgery is considered to have low vision or be visually impaired. Low vision may cause slight vision loss or even blindness.

### Causes of low vision

There are many factors that contribute to the onset of low vision, including disease, aging, injury, and heredity. The following are some of the more common causes of low vision.

- Age-related macular degeneration (AMD): This is a common eye condition

among people age 50 and older. In fact, it is the leading cause of vision loss in older adults, says the National Eye Institute. When a person has AMD, the macula, which is the most sensitive part of the retina responsible for fine-tuning images received by the eye, deteriorates and does not work properly. Though there might be some vision, images won't be clear. The most common form of age-related macular degeneration is known as nonexudative, or “dry” form. This generally causes vision loss that develops gradually. More rapid and severe vision loss comes from exudative, or the “wet” form, of macular degeneration. This occurs when abnormal blood vessels develop under the macula and leak fluid and blood.

- Cataracts: Cataracts are a clouding of the lens of the eye that usually develops with aging. It may be present at birth or be the result of an injury to the eye. Depending on the severity of the cloudiness of the lens, vision can be impacted greatly. Cataracts may form as a result of long-term exposure to ultraviolet light, exposure to ionizing radiation, secondary effects of diseases such as diabetes, hypertension and advanced age, or trauma.
- Glaucoma: When a person has glau-

coma, eye damage occurs to his or her eye when there is a buildup of fluid pressure within the eye, also known as intraocular pressure. This pressure can damage the optic nerve and cause visual field loss, which over time might escalate to blindness. Glaucoma is often dubbed “the silent thief of sight,” because in most cases it progresses slowly and vision loss is not immediately apparent.

- Diabetic retinopathy: Vision can fluctuate daily as a result of diabetes. Diabetic retinopathy can cause blood vessels in the retina to develop abnormal off-shoots that leak blood and interfere with vision, eventually causing severe damage to the retina.
- Retinal detachment: This occurs when the retina separates from its underlying layer. The portion that detaches may be rendered useless and cause total impairment of vision. Some retinas can be surgically reattached, and vision may be restored partially if surgery occurs promptly.

- Aniridia: Aniridia occurs when the iris, which is responsible for controlling the diameter and size of the pupils and regulating the amount of light reaching the retina, fails to develop normally. If the iris is not functioning properly, extreme

sensitivity to light and an inability to see clearly may result.

### Treatment for low vision

Treatment cannot begin until your vision is assessed by a professional. An optometrist may conduct various vision acuity tests to determine what might be the cause of vision loss. Each type of low vision problem requires a different approach to treatment, so it's important to correctly diagnose the problem before beginning treatment.

Some treatment options for low vision may include specialized optical systems, video magnification, therapeutic filters, or special prescription glasses. There also may be the need to perform eye exercises that help maximize existing visual function. Individuals may have to use a combination of devices to find the ones that help the best.

Only a doctor can determine the culprit behind vision loss. Routine visual exams are recommended at least every year and may need to be more frequent if a person is suffering from deteriorating vision. If caught early, many eye conditions can be managed to help prevent further loss of vision.

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