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## No more Saturday mail



Above: From left, Scott Pridgeon, of Gladewater, Michael Hawpe, of Gladewater, and Ronnie Holmes, of Pampa, stand in line Thursday at the Pampa Post Office. Hawpe and Holmes said they will miss Saturday delivery. Below: Postmaster Robert Schrock said the cut in Saturday service would only affect non-career employees at the Pampa office.

### ■ Pampa postmaster: End of Saturday delivery to have minimal impact on local staffing.

**BY ZACHARY GREEN**  
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Pampa Postmaster Robert Schrock said Thursday that only non-career employees at the Pampa Post Office will be affected when Saturday mail delivery ends in August.

"We have been planning for this for a long time," Schrock said of the announcement. "We have hired only temporary, non-career-type employees to cover any short falls until the pending decision. They were told in the interview this is not a career job. You might be here 30 days or you might be here five or six years."

Schrock said the Pampa office has four employees that fit into that category.

The U.S. Postal Service announced Wednesday it will stop delivering mail on Saturdays, but will continue to distribute packages six days a week.

Post offices that already have business hours on Saturdays will remain open during those hours. Also, anyone with a delivery (P.O.) box will still receive mail on Saturdays.

The cutback is expected to begin the week of Aug. 5.

Schrock said the Pampa office will continue its Saturday hours, 9:30 a.m.

to noon.

He said medications, priority mail and express mail will still be delivered on Saturdays.

For anyone who really needs Saturday mail delivery, Schrock recommends getting a P.O. box.

"A lot of elderly people have boxes and really like them," he said. "You know your mail is secure and you don't have to worry about it if you go out of town for three or four days to visit the grandkids."

He said many businesses in town don't have their mail delivered on Saturdays because they don't want it sitting outside until employees come to work on Monday.

The USPS projects ending Saturday delivery will save \$2 billion yearly.

For the Pampa office, Schrock said that means instead of having 16 trucks out on the road on Saturdays it will only have one or two.

A few readers have already asked how The Pampa News will be affected, which publishes a paper on Saturday that is delivered via mail.

"The Pampa News plans to continue the Saturday newspaper," said ReDonn Woods, publisher. "We are working out the plans for delivery and will be making our customers aware as soon as we



have it all planned out."

To gauge what local residents thought about the change, The Pampa News posted a question on Facebook. (Corrections have been made for spelling, grammar and punctuation.)

AllaMarie Miranda said, "Now I know to send out the bills earlier! LOL."

Shawnta'l Slaybaugh-McKinney said, "Look at how much the Postal Service spent versus made and any profitable business owner would have made adjustments way earlier. The government can't keep a budget, how can they run a profitable business?"

Missi Roberson wrote, "It doesn't really bother me. I seem to only get junk mail in my mailbox on Saturday anyway."

After someone else mentioned The Pampa News will be affected, Roberson

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## PISD to buy vacant lot near high school

**BY SASHA HELLER**  
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The Pampa Independent School District Board (ISD) met early Wednesday morning to deal primarily in executive session and consider the purchase of a vacant lot, at 1441 N. Charles St., located near Pampa High School.

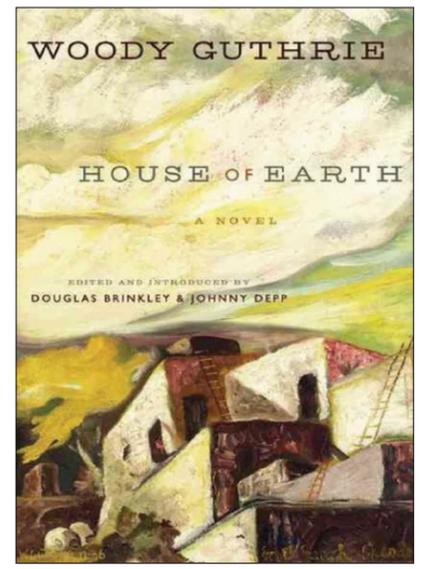
The board voted in favor to authorize Superintendent Dr. David Young or Board President Lee Porter to enter into contract negotiations.

Young could not release the expected cost of the purchase as negotiations are still ongoing.

Young said the district intends on purchasing the property because of its proximity to Pampa High with the plan of ultimately converting the site into a parking lot. He said there are no immediate plans to convert the site but that it is likely coming at some point.

Young said the school campus provides sufficient parking space for daily school activities. However, the parking lots can become congested during games and events during the evenings.

## Guthrie's found 'Dust Bowl' story to be published



**BY SASHA HELLER**  
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Woody Guthrie's "House of Earth," a previously unknown and unpublished novel about the Dust Bowl, will finally see the light of day, only 66 years after Guthrie reportedly finished it.

The story focuses on Tike and Ella May Hamlin, who are struggling to plant roots in the dry Texas Panhandle. The couple resides in a wooden shack and Tike longs to construct a simple adobe dwelling, built using only earthy materials like mud and clay, hence the title of the story, "House of Earth."

The couple experiences challenges along the way to pursuing their dream including having to deal with powerful ranching institutions and skeptical banks. "House" will be edited by author Douglas Brinkley and actor Johnny

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## PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Saturday	Sunday
		
High 54 Low 33	High 56 Low 33	High 52 Low 26

**Friday:** Partly cloudy with a high of 54. No chance of rain. Wind south southeast at 18 mph. Sunrise at 7:38 a.m.

**Friday night:** Cloudy with a low of 33. No chance of rain. Wind south southeast at 19 mph. Sunset at 6:19 p.m.

**Saturday:** Partly cloudy with a high of 56. Ten percent chance of rain. Wind south at 24 mph. Sunrise at 7:37 a.m.

**Saturday night:** Partly cloudy with a low of 33. Ten percent chance of rain. Wind southwest at 18 mph. Sunset at 6:20 p.m.

**Sunday:** Sunny with a high of 52. No chance of rain. Wind west northwest at 18 mph. Sunrise at 7:36 a.m.

**Sunday night:** Clear skies with a low of 26. No chance of rain. Wind northeast at 11 mph. Sunset at 6:21 p.m.

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# For the record

## Lefors man arrested for resisting arrest

43-year-old John Wyatt Roe, Lefors, was arrested Wednesday by the Pampa Police Department for expired drivers license and failure to appear. 48-year-old Clayton Durand Johnson, Pampa, was arrested Thursday by the PPD for driving while license suspended.

## U.S. senators see path to immigrants' legalization

WASHINGTON (AP) — Illegal immigrants might face around a 10-year wait to become legal permanent U.S. residents under sweeping immigration overhaul legislation taking shape in the Senate, negotiators said Thursday. That's shorter than some current wait times though longer than some advocates might like.

Democratic Sens. Dick Durbin of Illinois and Robert Menendez of New Jersey discussed the timeline in a roundtable meeting with Hispanic-focused media. The senators and their aides emphasized that nothing has been agreed to and the timeline could change.

The timeline refers to how long someone would have to wait in a new provisional legal status before qualifying for permanent residency and a green card. The legislation is expected to immediately grant provisional legal status to many of the estimated 11 million illegal immigrants now in the country, but they couldn't get green cards until the border has been secured, and they would have to meet criteria including learning English and paying fines.

The process "is likely to be in the range of 10 years, I say in the range because we have not nailed this down," Durbin said. He said various factors go into the timeline, including the need to establish border security first, something Republicans have insisted on.

Menendez said a 10-year wait would not be inordinate considering that under current law many illegal immigrants face a 10-year prohibition against returning to the country if they leave.

"If you think about it, under current law there is a 10-year bar, so the bottom line is you would have to wait anyway," Menendez said. "The difference is you would get the opportunity to be here, to come forward, to work, to travel, and in doing so to earn your pathway" to citizenship.

A green card is the crucial first step toward citizenship although it takes up to five years for a green card holder to become a citizen under current law. So if it takes 10 years to get a green card, the total wait time for citizenship could be closer to 15, advocates fear.

"We understand that bipartisan lawmaking requires compromise. But we think waiting 15 years for a chance to become a citizen is too long," said Frank Sharry, executive director of America's Voice. "We will continue to fight for a clear, direct and inclusive path to citizenship that has achievable requirements and a more reasonable time frame."

The emerging legislation, which faces an uncertain future in Congress, is expected to require illegal immigrants to petition for citizenship behind those already attempting the process. That means some length of wait would be inevitable, although experts said lawmakers could shorten the wait times by making more green cards available.

"Going to the back of the line is inevitably a lengthy process because of current backlogs for which there have been insufficient numbers of visas in current law," said Doris Meissner, a senior fellow at the Migration Policy Institute.

Wait times vary greatly under current law for people to get green cards, depending on factors including what country they're from. For Mexicans trying to join family members legally in the U.S. the wait time can be 12 to 15 years, Meissner said.

The exact process and length of time for an illegal immigrant to get a green card is just one of many contentious issues being discussed by Durbin, Menendez and six other senators in a bipartisan group trying to finalize an immigration bill by spring. Even if they succeed the bill faces a tough road in the Democratic-controlled Senate and an even tougher one in the Republican-led House. Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., another negotiator on the legislation, emphasized no decisions have been made. "Nothing has been decided yet with respect to the path to citizenship," Schumer said through a spokesman in response to the comments from Durbin and Menendez. Also Thursday, union leaders announced a 14-city campaign to mobilize support for immigration overhaul plans.

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### Brennan CIA hearing interrupted by protests

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nominated to head the CIA, John Brennan told a protest-disrupted Senate confirmation hearing Thursday the United States remains at war with al-Qaida and other terrorists and is under "daily cyberattack" by foreign countries and others.

In a statement delivered before he answered questions, Brennan promised to keep members of the congressional intelligence committees "fully and currently informed" and acknowledged that the CIA "is not immune from scrutiny" of its efforts to safeguard the nation.

The hearing was interrupted repeatedly — once before it began and then several times before Brennan had completed his brief statement. At one point, Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., ordered the proceedings halted and the room cleared so those re-entering could be screened to block obvious protesters.

The shouted protests centered on CIA drone strikes that have killed three American citizens and an unknown number of foreigners overseas. It was a topic very much on the mind of the members of the Senate Intelligence Committee who eventually will vote on Brennan's confirmation. In the hours before the hearing began, President Barack Obama ordered that a classified paper outlining the legal rationale for striking at U.S. citizens be made available for members of the House and Senate intelligence panels to read.

It was an attempt to clear the way for Brennan's approval, given hints from some lawmakers that they might hold up confirmation unless they had access to the material. In his opening statement, Brennan said, "The need for accurate intelligence and prescient analysis from CIA has never been greater than it is in 2013 — or that it will be in the coming years." He said historic transformations continue sweeping through the Middle East and North Africa, with "major implications for our interests, Israel's security, our Arab partners and the prospects for peace and stability throughout the region."

Additionally, Iran and North Korea "remain bent on pursuing nuclear weapons and intercontinental ballistic missile delivery systems," he noted. He said the United States remains at war with al-Qaida and its associated forces, which he said seek to "carry out deadly strikes against our homeland and our citizens as well as against our friends."

As for U.S. computer systems, he said they are under daily attack by "nation states, international criminal organizations, subnational groups and individual hackers." Brennan is a veteran of more than three decades in intelligence work, and most recently served as Obama's top counter-terrorism adviser in the White House. Any thought he had of becoming CIA director four years ago vanished amid questions of the role he played at the CIA when the Bush administration approved waterboarding and other forms of "enhanced interrogation" of suspected terrorists.

White House spokesman Jay Carney said Wednesday the White House is making "extraordinary accommodation" in allowing lawmakers to view classified Justice Department

legal advice on drone strikes against Americans. Carney said the White House does not plan to send the Justice memos to lawmakers beyond those on the House and Senate intelligence committees.

Brennan told the Senate committee that he was questioned as a voluntary witness in a leaks investigation the White House launched in response to congressional anger.

He also said that in his current role, he is "vigilant about not disclosing classified intelligence matters with unauthorized persons" but added that "in exceptional circumstances ... it may be necessary to acknowledge classified information to a member of the media or to declassify information for the very purpose of limiting damage to national security."

### Gov. Perry going to California to recruit business

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry plans to visit California next week to follow up on a small buy of radio ads intended to persuade businesses to relocate to Texas.

Perry is scheduled to fly to the West Coast on Sunday and will meet with executives in San Francisco, the Silicon Valley, Los Angeles and Orange County. A marketing company, using private money, bought \$24,000 worth of radio time to air an ad in which the Republican governor says, "I hear building a business in California is next to impossible."

The governor's office says he will meet with business leaders in the high tech, biotechnology, financial insurance and film industries.

California Gov. Jerry Brown, a Democrat, has dismissed the ad buy as insignificant in a state where millions are needed to saturate the market. His office released a statement citing data that shows business relocations have no significant impact on either state's economy.

Brown called the radio ads just "a few tricks from a politician" and will not have any substantive effect.

Perry prides himself on keeping taxes low, limiting regulations and restricting lawsuits to create a better business climate. He uses the slogan, "Texas, Wide Open for Business." But his critics point out that Texas has the highest percentage of workers without health insurance in the nation and averages among the lowest scores on college admissions exams.

### GOP leaders back bill putting debt info on ballot

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas voters weighing new bonds to fund projects like school construction would know in the polling booth the impact on local bond debt under bills filed by top Republicans.

Comptroller Susan Combs backed the measures filed Tuesday. She has taken on local debt as a pet issue, publishing reports last year that called on local elections to spell out tax and debt ramifications before voters check yes or no.

The bills were filed by Rep. Jim Pitts and Sen. Tommy Williams, the chief Republicans budget-writers in the statehouse.

The proposals would also put limits on certificates of obligation which governments use to issue debt without voter approval.

Gov. Rick Perry also threw his support behind the effort, calling it a way to improve accountability and provide more information to taxpayers.

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"House of Earth," written by hometown legend Woody Guthrie, will be published in 2013 by author Douglas Brinkley and actor Johnny Depp.

## Novel

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Depp, who will also pen the book's introduction. The book will be released under Depp's new publishing label, Infinitum Nihil, which translates into "nothing is forever," the same name as Depp's film production company.

Early reviews of "House" compare the narration to John Steinbeck's seminal classic, "The Grapes of Wrath," in part because the stories share a setting — the Dust Bowl. However, the Joads,

the main characters in "Grapes," leave the area and set out for California whereas the Hamlins in "House" stick around the Dust Bowl, setting up internal and external conflicts.

In an essay written by Brinkley and Depp for The New York Times Book Review, the pair write:

"Pitched somewhere between rural realism and proletarian protest, somewhat static in terms of narrative drive, 'House of Earth' nonetheless offers a searing portrait of the Panhandle and its marginalized Great Depression residents. Guthrie success-

fully mixes Steinbeck's narrative verve with D.H. Lawrence's openness to erotic exploration. When the Library of Congress folklorist Alan Lomax read the first chapter he was profoundly impressed.

For months Lomax encouraged Guthrie to finish the book, saying he'd "considered dropping everything I was doing" just to get the novel published. "It was quite simply the best material I'd ever seen written about that section of the country," he wrote.

Look for "House of Earth" later this year under the Infinitum Nihil and

## Mail

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added, "Oh, I didn't think about The Pampa News. I would miss that. I wouldn't miss the junk mail, though."

DeAnne Blackwell said, "If they're still delivering packages then there is a chance they may still have to run most of their routes. It's not that difficult to deliver the mail, too. It's just another

way that someone somewhere is trying to control and dictate our lives."

Gary Noblett said, "No surprise, the post office is really going downhill. Benjamin Franklin would really be disappointed."

Lizett Martinez said, "I don't mind I'm just tired of one day receiving my mail at noon and the next day at five. It is so inconsistent. Will this ever change?"

Editor Timothy P. Howsare contributed to this article.

## Investor sues Apple, wants more cash

NEW YORK (AP) — With its annual meeting looming and its stock on the decline, Apple is facing a rebellion from an activist investor who wants the company to stop stockpiling cash and give it to shareholders instead.

Greenlight Capital said Thursday that it is suing Apple in a New York federal court over the company's proposal to eliminate preferred stock. David Einhorn, who heads the investment fund, said the proposal would close down one avenue for Apple to reward shareholders with more cash.

Apple is still the world's most valuable company, but its stock has lost 35 percent of its value since September, as it's become obvious that its once-rapid growth has slowed down. The company is fabulously profitable, and Wall Street wants the company to share more of that money with its shareholders rather than tucking it away in low-yielding bank accounts.

"Apple has \$145 per share of cash on its balance sheet. As a shareholder, this is your money," Einhorn said in a letter to the company.

Its \$137 billion in cash makes up nearly a third of Apple's stock market value. Shares of the Cupertino, Calif., company traded at \$459.50 in the early afternoon, up \$4.82, or 1 percent, from Wednesday's close.

Corporations normally

don't hoard cash the way Apple does. They keep enough on hand for immediate needs, and either invest the rest in their operations or hand it out to shareholders in the form of dividends or stock buybacks. If they need more cash for, say, an acquisition, they borrow it.

Einhorn told CNBC on Thursday that Apple was acting like his grandmother "Roz," who grew up during the Great Depression. People who've experienced financial trauma, he said "sometimes feel like they can never have enough cash."

Roz was so careful about saving money, Einhorn said, that she never left messages on his answering machine out of concern that she'd be charged for the call.

Einhorn's criticism hints at Apple's lean years in the mid-90s. Former CEO Steve Jobs came out of that experience with a very tight hold on the company's purse strings. Apple has never explained its reasons for hoarding the cash other than to say it is preserving its options. Since his death

in Oct. 2011, Apple has begun paying a quarterly dividend of \$2.65 per share and started to repurchase some of its shares.

Analysts say the company should be doing more if it wants to lure investors back to its shares. Stuart Jeffrey at Nomura Securities calculates that Apple will generate about another \$103 billion over three years to add to the \$137 billion it has now, but it has only committed to returning \$45 billion of this \$240 billion in total cash to shareholders.

Wall Street didn't complain much about Apple's hoarding policies until its revenue growth started slowing. In the recent holiday quarter, Apple's revenue rose 18 percent from a year ago — a very good figure for a company of its size, but a far cry from the 50 percent-plus increases it has often posted since the 2007 launch of the first iPhone. Apple hasn't launched a new groundbreaking product since the iPad in 2010, so the company is forced to expand the appeal of its current products to achieve growth.

# Average gas price rises; AAA Texas encourages drivers to be fuel efficient

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- Stay up-to-date on vehicle maintenance.

Many drivers have felt more of a pinch at the pump over the last week. The statewide average for a gallon of regular unleaded fuel in Texas rose 14 cents from last week and now sits at \$3.38, according to the AAA Texas Weekend Gas Watch.

People in Dallas and Fort Worth are paying the most on average at \$3.41, and drivers in El Paso are paying the least at \$3.14. Even with the increase in Texas, drivers are still paying 17 cents less than what drivers are paying on average nationwide. The national average for a gallon of regular unleaded fuel is now \$3.55.

While prices in every state have increased over the last week, the increase was most dramatic in the Midwest, including Indiana, Michigan and Illinois, as well as in California and Colorado. These regions have seen the most dramatic price increases because of higher regional crude prices and production concerns as refineries prepare to make the conversion to making summer-blend gasoline. Other factors leading to the spike in gas prices across the nation include positive economic news resulting in an increase demand for fuel and planned refinery maintenance this time of year.

"There's no better time than the present to talk with your family and friends about ways to save money on fuel costs," said AAA Texas/New Mexico Representative Doug Shupe. "As we see the gas prices rise again you may want to consider carpooling, reducing trips and maintaining your vehicle according to the manufacturer recommendations in order to maximize your fuel efficiency."

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## Police Beat

### Beware of scammers on the phone, Internet

The Pampa Police Department wants to caution you about ongoing scams here in Pampa. Criminals will scam you in anyway there is communication such as phone,



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mail, email and even texting. They claim to be with a legitimate company to try to gain your trust. There are a few scams that the police department keeps seeing here in Pampa. One of the main scams we keep seeing is the “grandma and grandpa” scam. The scammer will call claiming to be a granddaughter or grandson, or in some instances claim to be a niece or nephew, stating they have been involved in an accident from drinking and driving. The scammer will then state they are to be arraigned but will be released from jail if a fine is paid. They will tell you to send money through Western Union or MoneyGram to them. I want to

strongly discourage anyone sending money through Western Union or MoneyGram unless you know the person accepting the money Personally. We have been recently made aware of a scam where the caller says you won thousands of dollars and a vehicle but then asks you to obtain a Green Dot Money Pack from Walmart or other retailer. They will then contact you back and ask you for the information on the pack. If you give this information out you will lose your money. For more information on this Green Dot Money Pack, visit [www.moneypack.com](http://www.moneypack.com).

We have also been getting calls of scammers calling and “phishing” for information. For an example, the scammers will call and say they are with a well-known company or government agency such as Medicare or Publishers Clearing House. They will typically have your address, phone number and full name. They will then ask you to confirm your bank account number or Social Security number. Citizens have also said when they refused the caller the information the scammer would

get very agitated and threaten the citizens and in most cases the scammer would hang up on the citizen.

Again, I strongly encourage citizens not to give personal information over the phone. Thankfully, the citizens we have spoken to have not fallen in the trap of these scammers. Remember, YOU ARE the number one person who can stop the criminals from scamming you!

If you are a victim of a scam I encourage you to go to [www.ic3.gov](http://www.ic3.gov) to file a complaint. The Internet Crime Complaint Center (ic3) website is a combination of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the National White Collar Crime Center. Also, if you received a call, text, or information in the mail and you believe it to be a scam you can go [Ic3.gov](http://Ic3.gov), [Fbi.gov](http://Fbi.gov) (type SCAMS in the search box) or go to [Bbb.org](http://Bbb.org) to verify that it is a scam.

If you have any questions on whether something is a scam, please contact the Pampa Police Department at 806-669-5700, Ext. 259.

**Stormy McCullar, Pampa PD**

## Karl Rove vs. the ‘far right’

If I were launching a new conservative venture, the last venue I’d choose for the announcement would be the New York Times. Karl Rove has gone to the Times to announce that he has created a new “conservative” entity “to recruit seasoned candidates and protect Senate incumbents from challenges by far-right conservatives and Tea Party enthusiasts.” Rove argues that Republican fortunes have been ruined by “far-right conservatives,” but he’s shamelessly calling this entity the “Conservative Victory Project.” Yes, and I could call myself Ray Lewis, but it doesn’t make it so. Whadaya know? The liberal Democrats at the Times love this idea. They call it “the most robust attempt yet by Republicans to impose a new sense of discipline on the party.” They would love a group to “discipline” conservatives right out of the GOP nominating process. What the heck? They could call themselves “conservative,” too.

It’s reminiscent of all the reporters who desperately wanted Colin Powell to run for president in 1996 because apparently Bob Dole was too fringy, and, as Howard Fineman said at the time, reporters “want a Republican Party they can live with.” Only at the end of the Times story does a fraction of balance appear, when Grover Norquist is delicately quoted on how establishment candidates did not win in Montana (Rep. Denny Rehberg) or North Dakota (Rep. Rick Berg). That list is very incomplete. Rove and Co. should also revisit how establishment moderates fared in other Senate races. Former governor Linda Lingle lost in Hawaii. Former governor Tommy Thompson lost in Wisconsin. Two-time self-funding Senate contender Linda McMahon

lost in Connecticut. Sen. Scott Brown lost in Massachusetts. Five-term Congresswoman Heather Wilson lost her second Senate campaign in New Mexico. Chris Christie’s 2009 campaign chairman Joe Kyrillos lost in New Jersey. So how many moderate GOP challengers won in 2012? Not one. How many Tea Party conservatives? Three.

The New York Times quoted Rove staffer Steven Law on their alleged philosophy: “Our approach will be to institutionalize the Buckley rule: Support the most conservative candidate who can win.” Uh-huh. So that’s what Rove was doing when he supported Sen. Arlen Specter over Pat Toomey in 2004. Before that term was over, Specter became a Democrat. That’s what moderates were doing when they supported Charlie Crist over Marco Rubio in Florida in 2010. Crist, too, became a Democrat. The Times did not explore Steven Law’s win-loss record. As executive director of the National Republican Senatorial Committee in 1998 and 2000, Law’s work ended up with zero gains in 1998 and four seats lost in 2000. The Times didn’t want to remind anyone how Rove “the Architect” predicted in 2006 that the GOP would retain control of both houses of Congress, and he proceeded to lose them both.

Wouldn’t that information help the public evaluate just how much the Republicans need Team Rove’s new “discipline” to win?

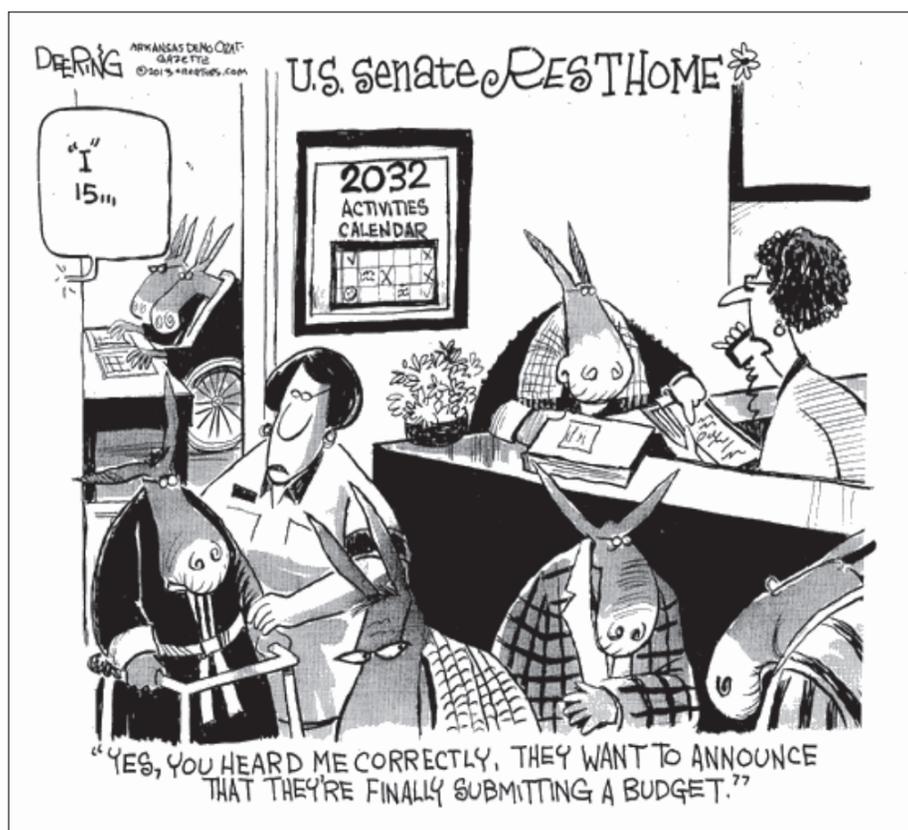
When it comes to winning, they supported Sen. Robert Bennett over Mike Lee (who won the seat) in Utah. The GOP moderates preferred Lt. Gov David Dewhurst over Ted Cruz in Texas in 2012. The list seems endless.

Conservatism is in no way synonymous with defeat, and “conservative victory” isn’t even attempted by those who were never conservatives to begin with.

*L. Brent Bozell III is the president of the Media Research Center.*



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## Keep dancing for Jesus, Ray Lewis!

When President Barack Obama addressed the nation the day 20 children were killed in Newtown, Conn., he told the nation “that we are praying for them.” The moment



**ROLAND S. MARTIN**

“Good Morning America” anchor Robin Roberts announced she had to undergo a bone marrow transplant

millions of prayers were directed her way. So why is it that folks are upset that Baltimore Ravens linebacker Ray Lewis consistently invokes God and Jesus and recites Bible scriptures?

We saw a lot of criticism towards Tim Tebow for the same thing. Criticize him aplenty for not being able to throw the football but hating on him because of his faith? Please, sit down. Olympian Lolo Jones was on ESPN’s “First Take,” and she said that it’s interesting that someone will get positive attention for releasing a sex tape and she is ridiculed for saying she’ll remain a virgin until she gets married. I’ll be honest, a lot of the criticism comes from individuals in the media who see religious people as weird kooks. No, not all members of the media, but I

can say in my experience as a reporter for 21 years that I have heard a lot of anti-religious, especially anti-Christian, stuff from my media brothers and sisters. In individual discussions working at newspapers, radio stations, TV and online outlets, folks have ridiculed religious folks for having convictions that don’t line up with others political beliefs. Funnily enough, when those same individuals encountered a health crisis, had marital problems, experienced issues with their children or were about to lose their job, they were the first ones to seek the Bible believer out for prayer. This really shouldn’t come as a shock. That’s how a lot of Americans act. When we don’t think we need to have a relationship with God, we’ll blow off praying or going to church. Just let the good times roll, huh? But just wait until something bad happens. Man, we’ll flock to the nearest church, mosque or synagogue, break out the prayer beads, and blow the dust off of the Bible in order to be comforted.

Remember the night of 9/11? You would have been hard-pressed to find a seat in a house of worship. We were a prayer nation on that day when more than 3,000 of our brothers and sisters were killed in terror attacks.

It doesn’t bother me to see an athlete choose to be public with their faith. God bless ‘em. And if another player makes the decision to not be as public, God bless them, too.

The ridicule with being a strong person of faith comes with the territory. Heck, if Jesus was mocked in his day, it’s no shock Ray Lewis, Tim Tebow or anyone else today will be ridiculed.

But the key is to remain steadfast and strong. Jesus told his followers in Matthew 28:19 to “Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations.”

Now before there was a Ray Lewis, there was a Reggie White. Just like Ray, Reggie was trashed for his religious convictions. He was told to just shut up and play football. But if God gave Reggie the gifts to do what he did, why not give Him all the glory? As a devout Christian, I will not bend, and will stand strong in the faith when it comes to my religious convictions. Afraid to say Jesus on TV? Nope. In fact, the first four specials I hosted on CNN in 2007 were all religious specials. We may lose jobs, money, fame and public glory, but as long as my relationship with God stays intact, I’m not bothered by the haters.

Does God want the Ravens to beat the 49’ers because of Ray Lewis? No. Are you betting on the

Ravens because you think Ray plays on Team Jesus? You better recognize that God is no bookie. We can all appreciate every player for what they bring to the table, and if they are believers in the faith, then God bless them. Win or lose. Ray Lewis and other players of faith have a tremendous platform. More than 100 million people will be watching on Sunday. If someone makes a decision to accept Jesus Christ as their Lord or Savior because they were inspired by Ray Lewis exhortation of his faith on Super Bowl Sunday, great. If someone just wants to watch the game, no problem.

But I will be thankful that a man who is undaunted by his critics will be unapologetic in professing his faith. Ray Lewis has faced the depths of evil in his past, and like Saul, he went through his own Damascus Road experience and has been transformed.

No matter the faith or the occupation, there is nothing wrong with emerging from darkness and becoming a shining bright light.

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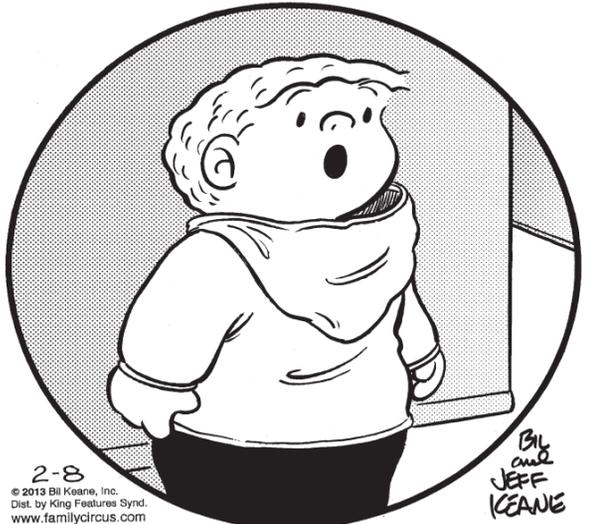
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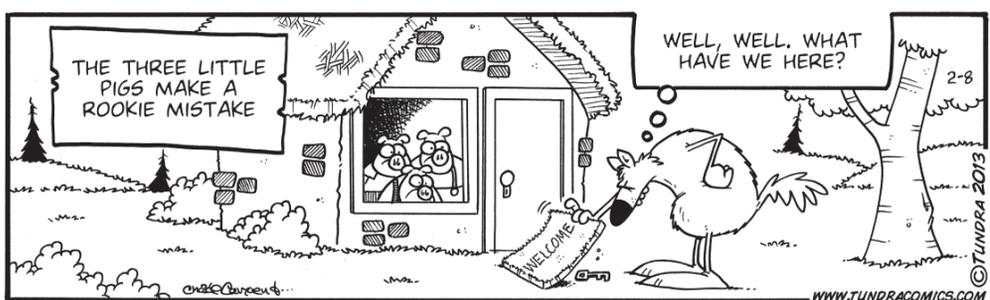
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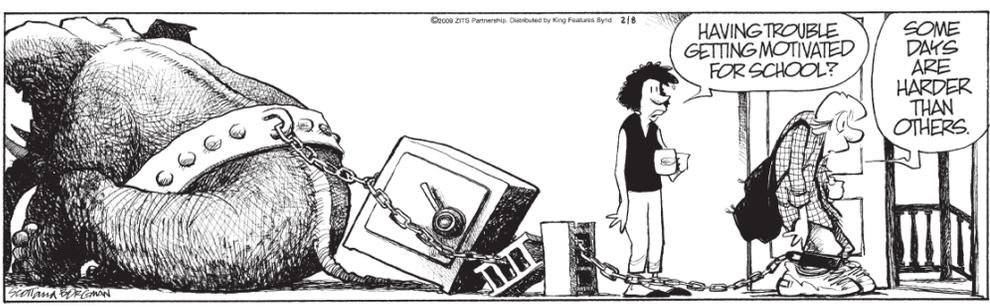
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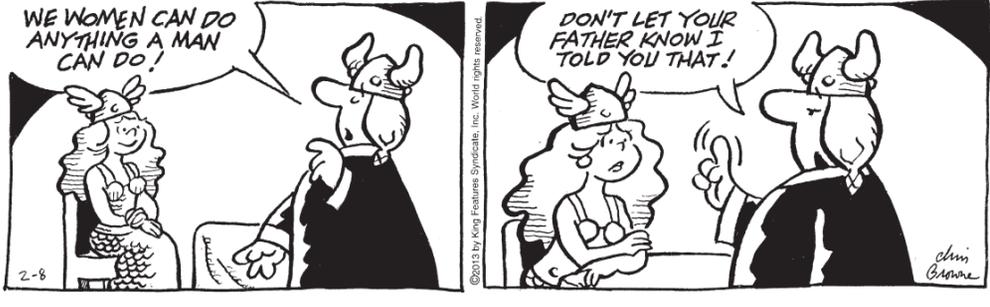
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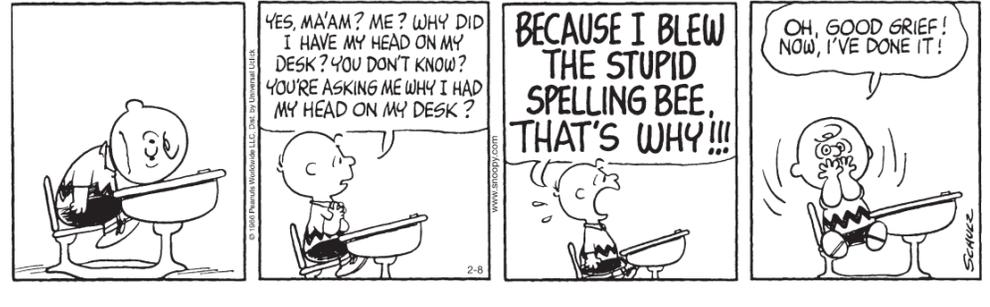
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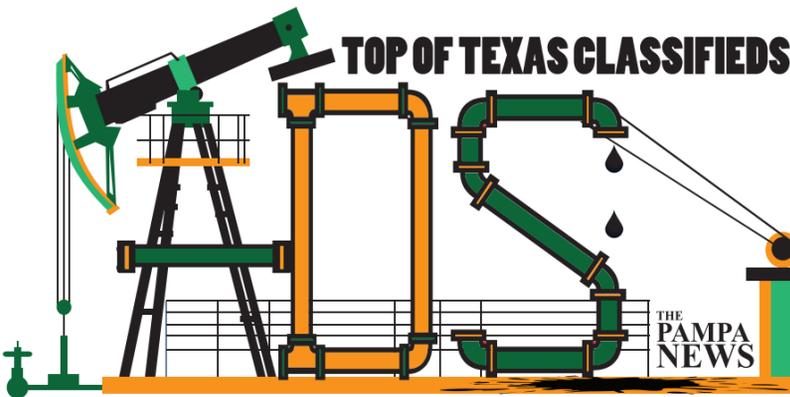
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# daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Saturday, Feb. 9, 2013:  
This year your creativity soars as it rarely has before. Idea after idea keeps tumbling out of your mouth. People will start to look at you as a never-ending resource. Though you might be flattered by this, you also must be sure to take good care of yourself. If you are single, your magnetism and intellect attract several suitors. You might decide to date them all ... or maybe just one. This year, there is always someone around the corner to meet. If you are attached, try to remain sensitive to your sweetie. You will tend to be me-oriented. AQUARIUS often is a source of trouble.  
The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult  
**ARIES** (March 20-April 19)  
★★★★ Focus on your friends and family. Make conscience choices about who you want to spend time with. You hear so much news or gossip that you could have a lot of information to sort through. Do not get overserious with a partner. Tonight: Where your friends are.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
★★★★ Your role might be to plan a get-together or to help an older friend feel more at ease. You know what you can and cannot tolerate. Do nothing halfway. Understand what is motivating you. Tonight: Helping others is how you make the most of the moment.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
★★★★ You have a desire to escape and do something very different. Get going and enjoy yourself, whether you are off on a trip to a museum or having a picnic in your attic. Touch base with someone at a distance. Tonight: Find the best blues or jazz spot in town.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
★★★★ Keep reaching past the obvious in a discussion with a partner or a dear loved one. You might not always see eye to eye with his or her methods, but you have very similar goals. Know that both paths will work. Tonight: Have a confidential chat with a loved one.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
★★★★ Let others hear more of your preferences, even if they are determined to do it their way. People might need to know whether you are going to show up or participate. A friendship plays a significant role in your afternoon. Tonight: Sort through invitations, then decide.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
★★★★ You could be wondering when enough is enough in a difficult situation. You also might be overtired and dragging. Plan on getting some much-needed R and R in order to recharge your battery, and know that you could need a change of pace. Tonight: Say "yes" to making it easy.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
★★★★ Sometimes your imagination gets you in trouble. Today could be one of those occasions. If you are ready for the ramifications, by all means, go ahead and enjoy yourself. A child plays a significant role in what is going on. Tonight: Let the good times rock and roll.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
★★★★ You could be exhausted by everything that is occurring around your inner circle and home. You will need to have a discussion with a loved one about this, especially if the activity is taking a toll on you. Listen carefully to this person's feedback. Tonight: Try to be mellow.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 21-Dec. 21)  
★★★★ You can be blunt at times, yet at the present moment, more softness and caring is woven into your statements. When meeting friends for dinner and a movie, you might note a different reaction. You also might have trouble catching up on everyone's news. Tonight: Ever social.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
★★★★ You might decide to treat several friends or one special person to a favorite pastime of yours. This activity demands a lot of imagination, and that is one thing that you undoubtedly have a knack for. Laughter surrounds a misunderstanding. Tonight: Keep it light.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
★★★★ You hit one of your power days with the presence of the New Moon. You have the strength, psychic energy and ability to move a crucial issue or situation ahead, if you so choose. In any case, whatever you do feels right. Tonight: Don't take yourself so seriously.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
★★★★ You are determined to keep some information hush-hush, so don't let others push you to get it. Use this day to do whatever you have really wanted to do but have been putting off. You will gain a sense of satisfaction and relief. Tonight: Don't push. Make it OK not to have plans.



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## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: When my 9-month-old grandson, "Eli," comes to visit, I become frustrated to the point of leaving the room, if not my house. Not only must we put away things he shouldn't get into, we must tape shut every drawer and cabinet, block access behind couches and chairs to keep Eli from electrical cords, then constantly be on guard for the "unexpected."

Eli is never restricted in any way, and would never be confined to an "inhumane" playpen for even a few minutes. At the slightest whimper, he is picked up. He's walked to sleep (or

taken on car rides to "soothe" him), and his parents literally run to him whenever he awakens.

I'm reluctant to criticize because I know they'll be offended, but I'm aching to suggest they teach the child about limits and restrictions and correct him when he misbehaves. Let him experience being in his playpen or even allow him to whine a little before jumping at his every whim. We're not allowed to say "no-no" — the preferred response being to distract Eli and let him go about doing as he pleases. By the way, both parents are professional psycho-babble people.

Am I unreasonable to think my grandson is capable of learning limits with a simple "no-no" and, perhaps, a little smack on his hand? Or should I keep my mouth shut? — WELL-MEANING GRANDPA

**DEAR GRANDPA: Well-meaning as you are, I doubt that you will be able to convince two "professional psycho-babble people" that by not giving their little one limits, they're creating a monster. Rather than allow his visits to upset you, I suggest you visit this family in their OWN home.**

DEAR ABBY: I am shocked at the rude treatment I see many older mothers receive from their children. I spend considerable time at various doctor appointments. Fortunately, I can drive myself, but many senior women

must depend on their caregivers — often their daughters — who treat them badly. I can't help but wonder how they treat their mothers in private since they are so insensitive in public.

I'm grateful to have a daughter who puts up with my occasional crankiness and complaints. She loves me unconditionally and takes wonderful care of me when needed.

I'd like to ask sons and daughters to be kinder and more patient with their elderly moms. They won't be around forever. — GRATEFUL MOM IN PHOENIX

**DEAR GRATEFUL: I wish you had described more clearly the interactions you observed. What you saw may not have been a lack of devotion to their mothers, but signs of caregiver stress or burnout.**

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DEAR ABBY: A question was recently raised at a family gathering. If the patriarch of a family is deceased and a man wants to marry his daughter, should he ask permission from her mother? — CURIOUS IN PENNSYLVANIA

**DEAR CURIOUS: It would be a lovely, respectful gesture if he did. But first he should be 100 percent certain that the daughter would like to marry him.**

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## CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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### Yesterday's answer

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# Tri-County Heart Gala is Feb. 23 at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium

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The Tri-County Heart Gala is Feb. 23 at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium.

This year's speaker is Laura-Marie Imel Finley, who was born and raised in Pampa. She graduated from Pampa High School in 1996 and attended Texas Tech University to study business and major in marketing.

She married her college sweetheart, Todd Finley, and they were blessed with their first child, Emma, on their second wedding anniversary.

Shortly after her birth, she began to be a stay-at-home mom, and felt so fortunate to do so.

Four years later, they found out they would be having a baby boy, but this time things were not quite so joyous. At 18 weeks gestation, Laura-Marie and Todd found out their precious baby boy had a rare heart defect, affecting one in 10,000 children.

Hypoplastic left Heart Syndrome is when the hearts largest pumping chamber, the left ventricle, does not form to full or useful capacity, and oxygenated blood cannot be pumped out to all of the body's organs and extremities.

Without surgical intervention in the first few days of the baby's life, the baby will die. There are three surgical stages in the repair of HLHS; the Norwood, the Glenn and the Fontan. Jameson was born Aug. 14, 2007.

He has undergone all three surgeries, the first at only 5 days old. He has recently been diagnosed with and is being treated for a rare and serious lung disease, due to his heart defect, named plastic bronchitis.

Laura-Marie said Jameson seems to be a very happy, healthy boy. He just turned 5 in August, and each and every day with him has taught her and her entire family so many lessons about their complete dependence on Christ.

She looks forward to sharing at the Tri-County Heart Gala about heart defects, about the struggles and the blessings they have received from this precious little boy she has been so fortunate to raise.

All proceeds from this annual event will help support the fight against heart disease and stroke. For more information, email Annette@dechaseinc.com.



Submitted Photo  
Laura-Marie Imel Finley's first opportunity to hold Jameson after his third surgery.

## Ex-Texas bank teller nabbed in \$108K theft

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A former bank teller has returned to Texas to face charges that he stole nearly \$108,000 from the financial institution and fled the country.

The FBI arrested Pedro Godinez after he voluntarily returned to San Antonio on a flight from Mexico. Investigators say Godinez faces theft charges related to a Bank of America branch in Lakeway, near Austin.

The San Antonio Express-News reports Godinez disappeared from his job on Jan. 29, 2009.

Investigators say surveillance video shows Godinez walking into the vault and allegedly removing a cash packet that had \$80,000 worth of \$100 bills. Nearly \$28,000 turned up missing from the defendant's cash drawer.

Godinez was arrested Tuesday at San Antonio International Airport. A judge Wednesday freed Godinez to the custody of

his mother.

Godinez didn't immediately comment.

### Raccoons make home on construction crane

SEATTLE (AP) — Workers using a tower crane to build a 304-unit apartment complex in Seattle have run into a complication: two raccoons climbed 150 feet up the crane and made a home behind the crane's cab. KING-TV reports that the raccoons have temporarily brought the giant machine to a halt. A crane operator spotted the new residents while ascending the tower Wednesday.

The general contractor, Rafn Company, called in experts who are trying to catch the critters with humane traps. The apartment complex in the city's Ballard neighborhood is due to open in the summer of 2014. KING reports that neighbors say large raccoons are common in Ballard.

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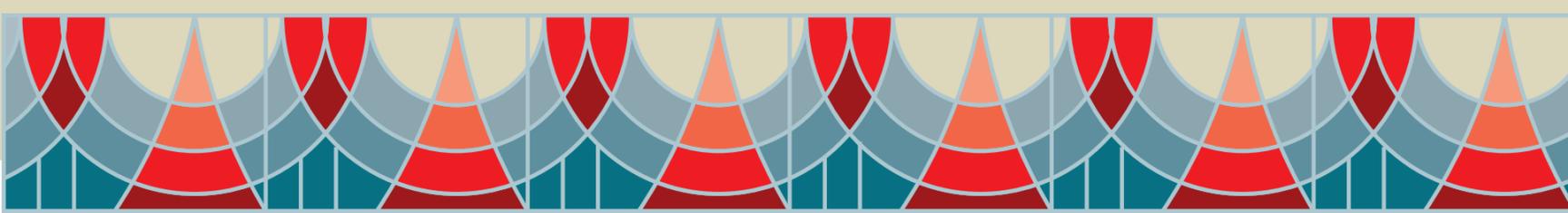
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# PampaSports

## Lady Harvesters playoff game set for Tuesday



Photos by Charla Shults

Left, seniors Taylor Morgan, Allison Ceyanes, Rachel Andrews and Hannah Baker. The seniors are looking forward to the playoff game on Tuesday night. Above, Bailey Wichert drives toward the basket against Dalhart.

**BY ZACHARY GREEN**  
zgreen@thepampanews.com

The Pampa Lady Harvesters now know when and where they will be playing the bi-district round of the playoffs. The only question that remains is who their opponent will be. The game will be at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 12 at West Texas A&M in the First United Bank Event Center. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$2 for students. The opponent will be the winner of the Lubbock Estacado and Levelland game that is being played tonight. Some of the seniors spoke out about being in the playoffs and reflected on their careers in Pampa. "We work together through the good and the bad. We just

have to keep it up because the 10-day layoff could affect our mindset for the game," said Taylor Morgan. "I am looking forward to seeing how we play with each other and get closer as a team this playoff run." Morgan added that her favorite moment from her career was when Pampa defeated Caprock 59-0 during the 2009-10 season, or her freshman year. Rachel Andrews says she is looking forward to seeing how well Pampa works as a team and how far they will go. "My favorite memory is seeing how good we have become over the last four years and how we have become a team. Personally, I wanted to make myself better this season and as a team I wanted us to finish no less than second in district," said Andrews.

"We achieved the district goal and by doing that I have made myself better as a player and a teammate. We need to take practice seriously and work hard or the long layoff will affect us negatively." Hannah Baker said she is looking forward to winning and getting that gold ball. "My favorite memories are the stays in the hotel and having fun with the team as a family," said Baker. "This season I wanted to have a better attitude and for the team I wanted to get second in district and prove our capabilities." As for the 10-day layoff she said, "I think the break will help us because we can gain momentum by practicing harder and anticipating the tough game we will face." Allison Ceyanes said she is looking forward to seeing how much the team can

push each other and seeing how far they can go. "My favorite memory of my career was beating Dalhart by three at their place this season." "My goal this year was to become a better person not only in basketball, but in general. I feel as if I have achieved that and that I have pushed myself in this program," added Ceyanes. "The layoff got us out of the swing of things, however, it gave us all the time to get our bodies healthy and ready to play." Every senior but Ceyanes said that they would like to play Lubbock Estacado on Tuesday night to avenge a Dec. 14 loss to the Lady Matadors. In that game Pampa only trailed 27-26 at the half, but were outscored 32-12 in the second half as they fell 59-38. Lubbock Estacado is the No. 18 team in the state for Class 3A.

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# PampaSports

## PREPARING FOR PLAYOFFS



Photos by Sasha Heller

Left, Hannah Baker looks for an open Pampa player to pass to. Center, Taylor Eubank searches for a teammate to pass to. Right, Risa Rodriguez soars for a fastbreak layup with no Lady Wildcat defender in sight. The Lady Harvesters play Feb. 12 in Canyon in playoff action.

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Erica Susanne Smith

Chad and Stephanie Smith are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Erica Susanne. Erica was born on January 10, 2013, in Pampa, Texas. She weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces, and was 20 1/2 inches long. Susanne was welcomed home by her big brother, Aaron, 3 years old.  
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# Frail Missouri teen found handcuffed in parents' basement

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Authorities found a frail 17-year-old boy handcuffed to a pole in his parents' Kansas City basement, where he said he'd been kept since his father withdrew him from school in September.

Police said Wednesday that they were still investigating and hadn't turned over any of their findings to prosecutors for consideration of possible charges. Police have not released the names of anyone involved in the case. The teen was placed in the custody of child services.

According to a police report, an officer and social worker who were acting on a phoned-in tip visited the family's home on Monday. When they entered the basement, they heard someone cry out, "I didn't do anything. I didn't do anything. I didn't do anything."

"I then observed a thin frail looking male getting out of the fetal position on the concrete floor around a steel support pole," Of-

ficer Jonathan Stone wrote in the report. The teen was handcuffed to the pole and looked very thin for his height, with a sunken face and eyes that "had a look of desperation."

After police freed the shivering boy from the handcuffs and helped him calm down, he said he had been kept in the basement since September, when his father removed him from school. He said he was initially "just locked in the basement, but was not fed much."

He told police that in October, he managed to get out of the basement and get food, which angered his father, who tried handcuffing both his hands to a bed frame in a "cross position, but his arms were not long enough."

The teen said he managed to take apart the bed in November and used a bed rail to break open the door, but he didn't manage find food. He told police that this time his father removed the bed from the basement and handcuffed

him to the pole.

He told police that his father would wake him each day at 4 a.m. to use the bathroom and give him a packet of dried oatmeal. In the afternoon, he would again be allowed to use the bathroom and would get a packet of noodles to eat. Later, he would get two bologna sandwiches and a glass of water before being locked up for the night.

Another adult in the home told police that the teen was "locked downstairs because in December they let him upstairs and he ate almost an entire bowl of fruit at one time."

The case comes several months after Kansas City police found a 32-pound girl barricaded inside a closet that reeked of urine. That child's mother is scheduled for trial in June on assault, child abuse and child endangerment charges. The mother's 35-year-old boyfriend pleaded guilty in October to endangering the child and was sentenced to five years' probation.

## Senators grill Gov. Perry's office on funds

AUSTIN (AP) — Republican and Democratic senators have been grilling a director from the governor's office on the state's economic development funds.

Fort Worth Sen. Wendy Davis expressed concern Wednesday that after 10 years the Texas Enterprise Fund has never undergone an independent audit.

Republican Sen. Bob Deuell, chairman of the Senate Economic Committee, says people of all political stripes are concerned about how taxpayer money is given to private businesses.

He and other senators are quizzing the director of Gov. Rick Perry's economic development office on the Enterprise Fund and the Emerging Technology Fund.

Aaron Demerson could not say how many jobs the funds have created.

He couldn't answer many of the senator's questions and promised to offer written replies later.

Critics have called the funds corporate welfare or a slush fund.

## 1865 baseball card to be auctioned in Maine

BIDDEFORD, Maine (AP) — Six-figure bids

are expected when a rare 148-year-old baseball card discovered at a rural Maine yard sale is auctioned.

Saco River Auction Co. in Biddeford is holding an auction Wednesday that includes a card depicting the Brooklyn Atlantics amateur baseball club.

The card isn't the same as a modern-day baseball card, which became common in the 1880s. Rather, it's an original photograph from 1865 mounted on a card, showing nine players and a manager.

The Library of Congress says it's aware of only two copies of the photo. The other is in the institution's collection.

The auction house says a man found the card inside an old photo album he bought while antique picking in the small town of Baileyville on the Canadian border.

## Earth-like planet is 'stroll across park'

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Earth-like worlds may be closer and more plentiful than anyone imagined.

Astronomers reported Wednesday that the closest Earth-like planet may be just 13 light years away. That planet hasn't been found yet, but should be there based on the team's

study of red dwarf stars. Galactically speaking, it's a stroll across the park.

Small, cool red dwarfs are the most common stars in our galaxy, numbering 75 billion.

The Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics team estimates 6 percent of red dwarf stars have Earth-like planets. To qualify, the planet must be roughly the size of Earth and get as much light from its star, as Earth does from the sun.

This high rate of occurrence should simplify the search for extraterrestrial life.

## NY library book returned 55 years late

NEW YORK (AP) — A long overdue book has finally been returned to the New York Public Library — 55 years late.

The Daily News says the biography of a 16th-century priest called "Fire of Francis Xavier" was checked out of the Fort Washington branch in upper Manhattan on April 10, 1958.

Library manager Jennifer Zarr tells the newspaper the book arrived at the library on Monday wrapped in a plain brown envelope with a check for \$100 to cover the dues inside.

# The proper handsaw for the job

Dear Pat: I am planning some major home improvement projects, but I am not comfortable using power saws. There seem to be a hundred designs of saws at the hardware store. Which one is best for home projects? — Debra A.



as you pull it, it will not have a tendency to buckle, as does a Western saw when you are pushing it.

Having a thinner blade reduces the cutting force you must apply. Also, the design of the typical Japanese saw handle allows you to use both hands. Both of these facts make the job easier, especially for women who do not have the upper-body strength of most men. The only drawback to a Japanese saw is the sawdust is pulled back over the cutline, making it more difficult to see.

For sawing standard lumber, you can choose between a rip saw or a crosscut saw. A rip saw has large coarse teeth and is used for rapid cutting along the length of a piece of lumber. A crosscut saw has smaller, finer teeth for making final cuts

down to the finished size. Most home center stores and lumberyards will rip a piece down to size for you with their power saws, so a crosscut saw would be a better choice.

You will also need some specialty saws. Most indoor projects will require cutting plywood and drywall. For these tasks, choose a saw with finer teeth that are hardened. You cannot sharpen hardened teeth, but they will last much longer when cutting these materials.

Don't forget a detail (miter) saw and miter box. A detail saw has a large flat blade to fit into slots in the miter box for crisp cuts at a perfect 45-degree angle or when cutting a piece already in place. The blade is stiff, with a reinforcing ridge along the top edge.

Send your questions to Here's How, 6906 Royalgreen Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45244 or visit www.dulley.com.

## HOME Do-it-Yourself

### Handsaws

Before you put saw to wood, you need to determine what sort of saw you'll need for your job. Which one you use depends on whether you plan on cutting with or against the wood grain.



**Japanese Saws**  
Japanese saws cut on the pull stroke, unlike Western saws that cut on the push stroke. This design allows the blades to be lighter and more flexible, making them ideal for fine cuts.

### Crosscut and Ripsaws

Crosscut saws and ripsaws are more widely used today. The teeth on these saws will reveal the main difference between the two types.



**Rip teeth**  
The rip saw is designed specifically for cutting along the length of the grain. The teeth act just like a series of chisels, with each tooth cutting directly into the grain and removing the waste as shavings or strands of fiber.

**Crosscut teeth**  
The crosscut saw is designed to cut across the grain. The teeth first sever the fibers by scoring each side of the cut, and then remove the waste by reducing it to fine particles.

Source: Norse Wood Smith Creators.com/Bob Kast

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# Nebraskan jailed for prostituting her daughters

KEARNEY, Neb. (AP) — A mother convicted of prostituting her 7- and 14-year-old daughters using online ads across south-central Nebraska is facing as many as 110 years in prison after she was sentenced again this week.

Last month, the 36-year-old woman pleaded no contest in Buffalo County to conspiracy to commit child sexual assault and two felony counts of child pornography possession and was sentenced to 80 to 90 years in prison.

This week, the same woman was sentenced in Furnas County District Court to 12 to 20 years for conspiracy to commit a felony, the Hastings Tribune said.

She has pleaded no contest to nine similar felony counts in Franklin County. The Associated Press is not using her name to protect the identity of the girls. The AP does not usually identify the victims of sex crimes.

The Nebraska State Patrol said the woman placed a personal ad online offering female companionship. She offered her 14-year-old daughter to an undercover police officer who posed as a man answering the ad on April 26.

The Nebraska State Patrol has said that in Buffalo County alone, the mother let at least seven men have sex with her 14-year-old at least 20 times and at least three men had sex with the 7-year-old.

Five men have been convicted in the case so far and await sentencing.

### Texan convicted for \$300K bogus checks

DALLAS (AP) — A North Texas man has been convicted of passing more than \$300,000 in worthless checks during a five-year scam with a bank executive. Prosecutors in Dallas on Wednesday announced 45-year-old Jason Dvorin of Southlake has been convicted of conspiracy to commit bank fraud.

Dvorin remains free on bond pending sentencing in July. He faces up to 30 years in prison, a \$1 million fine and being ordered to make restitution.

Investigators say Dvorin had a deal with Chris Derrington, who was a vice president of Pavillion Bank in Richardson, to deposit worthless checks. Dvorin then received immediate access to the funds. Prosecutors say the scheme led to more than 200 fraudulent deposits. Derrington last May pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit bank fraud and awaits sentencing.

### 3 charged in Texas oil tank explosion

VAN, Texas (AP) — A man and two women have been charged with trespassing and criminal mischief after an East Texas oil storage tank exploded. Van Zandt County fire Marshal Chuck Allen on Thursday announced the arrest of 24-year-old H.R. Price of Mineola, 24-year-old Brandy Wolfe of Grand Saline and 25-year-old Heather Wolfe of Van. Allen says Price and Brandy Wolfe were atop a storage tank during the Jan. 29 blast near Van, about 75 miles east of Dallas. Investigators have said both apparently were smoking and were treated for burns sustained in the blast. Warrants were issued Wednesday for the suspects with bond set at \$150,000. All were no longer in custody Thursday and jail records did not list attorneys for them. Officials didn't im-

mediately say whether the two women are related.

### Nazi salute land Maine girls in hot water

CUMBERLAND, Maine (AP) — Members of a Maine high school girls' basketball team have been disciplined after a picture surfaced online of team members giving a Nazi salute.

The principal and athletic director at Greely High School in Cumberland said in a letter to parents that two girls appear to be giving the Adolf Hitler-style salute while a third girls sits between them. They say one team member has been nicknamed Hitler. All three girls are wearing their basketball uniforms.

The letter says "whether done in ignorance or with hate," such behavior is "simply unacceptable."

The Portland Press Herald reports the letter also said other "inappropriate and biased language" was used by team members.

Principal Dan McKeone says players have been disciplined, but he didn't disclose the exact nature of the punishment.

### Police: Bandits stealing toilet pipes in NM

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Police say bandits are hitting up Albuquerque public restrooms and running off with metal pipes that automatically flush toilets.

KOB-TV reports that Albuquerque police commander Will Roseman says authorities have seen a rash of thefts involving Flush-O-Matics. He says the toilet pipe bandits are going into restrooms and taking the metal out.

Police believe the thieves hit up businesses by posing as plumbers. According to authorities, the pipes sell for around \$30 on the black market but cost businesses about \$400 to replace.

A police report says at least one Albuquerque-area recycling plant has been buying the stolen pipes.

### Ex-officer suspect in Riverside cop killing

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A former Los Angeles police officer sought for two weekend killings — and who threatened to kill police — is a suspect in an overnight shooting in nearby Riverside that killed one officer and critically wounded another, police said Thursday. The shooting happened early Thursday morning in the Los Angeles suburb of Corona. The wounded officer is in surgery. A third officer suffered a graze wound. Two Newton station officers on security duty in the same area were also involved in a shooting overnight, but they weren't hurt, police said.

Former Los Angeles police officer Christopher Jordan Dorner is the suspect who's wanted in the killings of Monica Quan and her fiancé, Keith Lawrence, who were found shot to death in their car at a parking structure Sunday night, Irvine police Chief David L. Maggard said at a news conference Wednesday night. Dorner, 33, implicated himself in the killings with a multi-page "manifesto" that he wrote that included threats against several people, including members of the LAPD, police said.

They gave no further details on the document or its contents. Quan, 28, was an assistant women's basketball coach at Cal State Fullerton. Lawrence, 27, was a public safety officer at the University of Southern California.

# Borger police seeking bird sanctuary shooters

SUBMITTED BY BPD

The Borger Police Department is seeking assistance in an investigation into several incidents of birds being shot and sometimes killed at the City of Borger Huber Park Bird Sanctuary.

During the past couple of months, several birds have been shot and killed. It is believed at this time that the offender or offenders are using a high-powered BB or pellet gun to shoot the birds.

During the most recent incident, more than \$2,000 worth of birds were shot and killed. It is believed that the shootings are being committed during the late night to early morning hours.

Anyone with information about the incidents should call the BPD at

806-273-0930, Crime Stoppers 806-274-6371 or text information to the Tip411 program.

Anyone reporting a tip to Crime Stoppers or the Tip411 program can remain anonymous. However, anyone wishing to receive an award in reference to the tip is asked to leave a working reliable contact number so that a Crime Stoppers representative can contact the person at a later date and time in reference to reward information in the event that the tip proves to be a reliable relevant tip.

Crime Stoppers offers rewards ranging from \$50 up to \$1,000 for reliable tips and information for any unsolved investigation and crime, criminal activity and/or outstanding fugitives from justice.

# Pampa Art Club meets

SUBMITTED BY SARAH CRIM

The Pampa Art Club met Tuesday, Feb. 5, at the Pampa Chamber of Commerce. Dee Gill hosted the meeting.

Carol Dunham, president, called the meeting to order. Linda Johnson, secretary, called the roll and read the minutes. New business was discussed

about topics of displaying art work at the new airport terminal, the May exhibit, and the agenda for the end of the year activity for the club. Pat Kindle, Carol Peet and Sarah Crim met to work on the names to be submitted for the new slate of officers for next year. The meeting was adjourned, lunch was served, and members worked on art projects.

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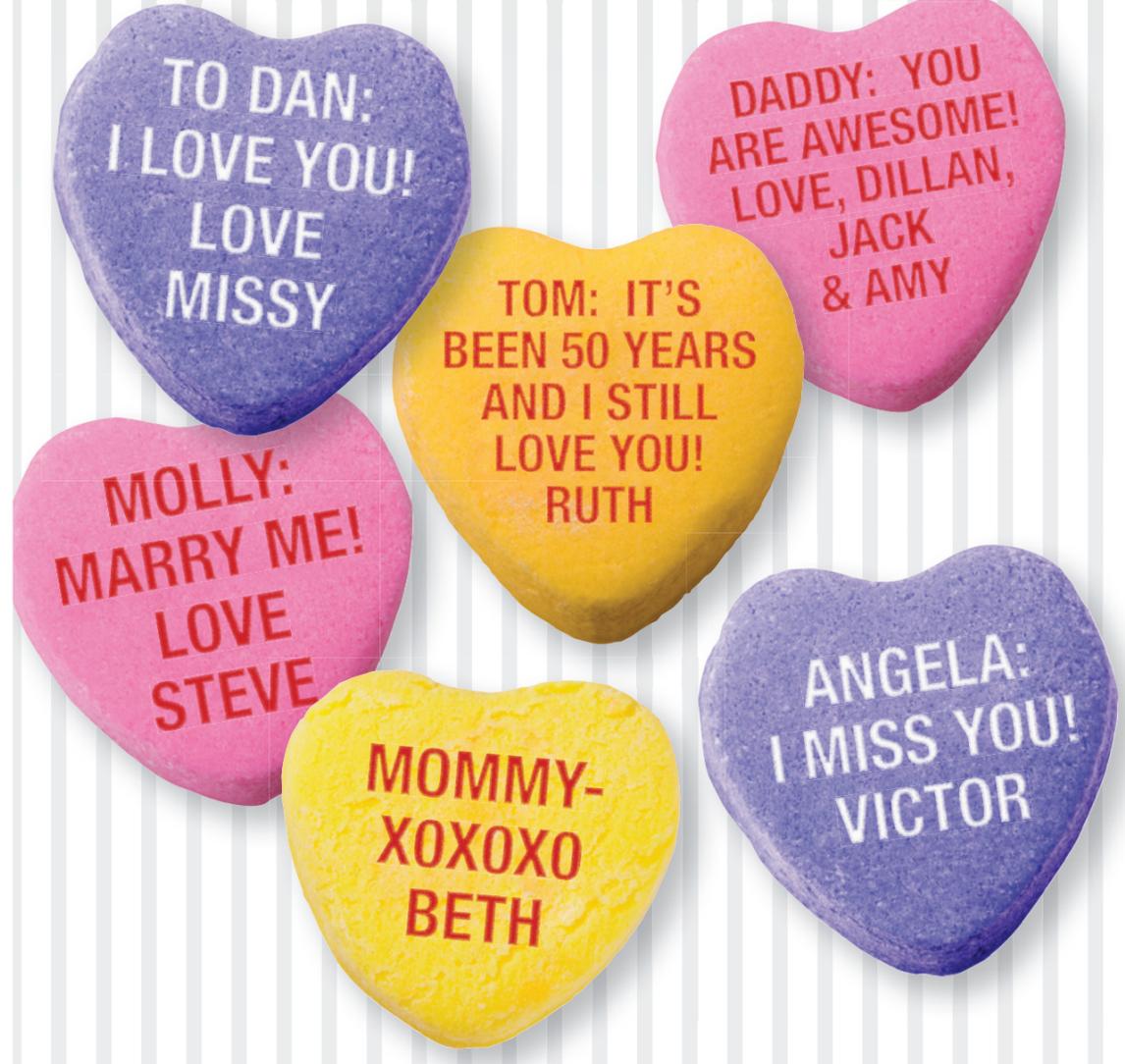
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