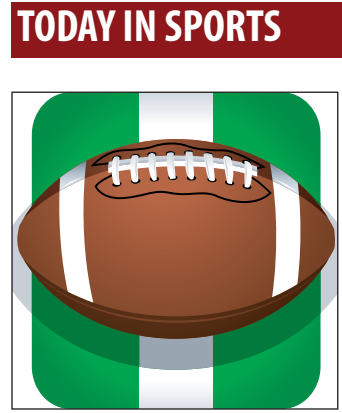


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County to seek bids for district courtroom

■ Upgrades include proposed balcony, improvements to court's acoustics.

BY SASHA HELLER
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The Gray County Commissioners Court Wednesday morning authorized Judge Richard Peet to seek proposal bids from contractors for renovations to the 223rd District Court, including potential improvements to the balcony area and sound quality enhancements inside the courtroom.

District Court Judge Phil Vanderpool said the acoustics currently are problematic and affect the interplay of every day courtroom operations.

Commissioner Gary Willoughby asked Vanderpool if the cost of knocking down wall space and building a balcony, to serve as overflow — at most two or three times per year, is worth it.

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City accepts \$50K grant from EDC

■ Will support Gray Pampa Community Fund; pay for scholarships, finance social initiatives.

BY SASHA HELLER
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The Pampa City Commission on Tuesday unanimously approved a \$50,000 grant from the Pampa Economic Development Corp.

(EDC) which will support scholarships at local academic institutions and will provide for area organizations to launch and manage social initiatives.

The grant will go to the Amarillo Area Foundation (AAF) to benefit the Gray Pampa Community Fund.

In 2008, representatives with the AAF approached communities across the Texas Panhandle and offered them an opportunity to participate in a continuous matching grant.

"It's up to each community what they want to do with that grant," said Pampa EDC associate director Kathy Cota. "What we decided to do with it is grow it as an endowment. At this time, we're using it for scholarships."

The following group of local officials serves as an advisory committee and manages how the endowment fund is distributed: Ray Jaramillo, Clarendon College Pampa Center; Brad Morse, CEO of Pampa Regional Medical Center; Gray County Judge Richard Peet; Pampa EDC President Gary Sutherland; Assistant City Manager Shane Stokes; Pampa ISD school board member

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Donations can still be made for animal shelter

BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE
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"Fund 12" sounds like the name for a top-secret account the federal government keeps off the books for research on human contact with extraterrestrials.

But if you mail a check to Fund 12, it won't be going to Area 51 in southern

Nevada. Rather, it will go to the City of Pampa to help bring back a few details that were cut from construction of the new animal shelter to keep the project within budget.

Pampa voters in a 2012 special election approved nearly \$3 million for the

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Photo by Timothy P. Howsare
 Construction workers were erecting a steel frame Wednesday for the new Pampa Animal Shelter, which is expected to open in the late fall.

A colorful journey



Photo by Timothy P. Howsare

Staff members at the Pregnancy Support Center were making preparations Wednesday for the first-ever Color Run 4 Life. From left, Reta Field, office assistant; Jan Allen, administrative assistant; Monica Galloway, executive director; and Debra Hill, Hope House parent.

■ Pregnancy Support Center's first Color Run 4 Life walk/run Saturday.

BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE
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It's a color explosion that will get your heart pumping. The Pregnancy Support Center in Pampa is holding the Color Run 4 Life at 8 a.m., Saturday starting at the PSC office, 210 Ward St.

The event is a mile walk/5K run. There will be six color stations along the route where runners and walkers will be squirted with different hues of the rainbow.

The route will work its way north to the Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ parking lot, where there will be a water station, and then head back to the starting area.

"It's going to be so much fun," said center director Monica Galloway, adding this is the first year for the event.

Galloway said Tuesday she expects a good turnout for the walk/run.

"National OilWell Varco paid for all of their employees to run and about 34 are signed up to run," she said.

Registration is \$40 for an individual, or \$35 per person if you sign up as a member of a team with four or more members.

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PAWS hosts adoption event Friday

BY ZACHARY GREEN
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The Pampa Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) is hosting an adoption event at First Bank Southwest's customer appreciation day from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Friday.

The bank is bringing PAWS to its event because it is in memory of Shirley

Hargrove. Hargrove was an animal lover who worked for the bank for nearly 40 years. She passed away in November. "Her birthday would have been Friday. That is one of the reasons we picked this date for the event," said Jeri Joiner, of First Bank Southwest. "We will have the Classic Car Club come and there will be a car show. We are giving

away free hamburgers and hot dogs that the FFA Club will cook." Joiner added that the bank will donate to the club for their help in the event. Also, the bank is accepting cash and supply donations for PAWS in its lobby during the entire month of May.

Faustina Curry, president of PAWS, PAWS cont. on page 3

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PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Friday	Saturday
		
High 88 Low 59	High 93 Low 64	High 97 Low 62

Today: Partly cloudy with a high of 88. No chance of rain. Wind south southeast at 16 mph. Sunrise at 6:38 a.m.

Tonight: Mostly clear with a low of 59. No chance of rain. Wind south southeast at 18 mph. Sunset at 8:43 p.m.

Friday: Sunny with a high of 93. No chance of rain. Wind south southeast at 16 mph. Sunrise at 6:37 a.m.

Friday night: Partly cloudy with a low of 64. No chance of rain. Wind south at 14 mph. Sunset at 8:43 p.m.

Saturday: Sunny with a high of 97. Ten percent chance of rain. Wind south southwest at 23 mph. Sunrise at 6:36 a.m.

Saturday night: Clear with a low of 62. No chance of rain. Wind south southwest at 18 mph. Sunset at 8:44 p.m.

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Obituaries

Beden 'Granny B' McCullough

Beden "Granny B" McCullough, 93, died May 7, 2013 in Amarillo.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 18, 2013, at First Baptist Church with the Rev. Barry Owens, associate pastor, and Carl Novian, officiating. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. McCullough was born Aug. 12, 1919 in Winfield, La. She was raised and attended schools in Hope, Ark. She married James A. McCullough on Aug. 6, 1936 in Hope, Ark. He preceded her in death in May of 1973. Beden was church secretary at First Baptist Church of Kilgore for 25 years.

She was the first house mother of



Beden "Granny B" McCullough

the Ronald McDonald House in Dallas before moving to Pampa in 1988. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Pampa where she worked in the nursery department for many years. Beden was very active in the church women's ministry. She was a babysitter for several Pampa families and was a caregiver for a special person in her life, Chris Carlson.

Survivors include a son, Frank McCullough and wife Renee of Pampa; two granddaughters, Tiffany Shock and husband Casey of Forney and Chelsea McCullough of Dallas; a great-granddaughter, Anistyn Shock of Forney; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by a grandson, Brant McCullough in 1979; by three brothers, Earl Secrest, J. W. Secrest and Newt Secrest; and two sisters, Florence Thomas and Norine Turner.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 621, Pampa, Texas 79066-0621.

Sign the online guest register at Carmichael-whatley.com.

For the record

Pampa woman arrested for tampering with government record

• Elia Garcia, 26, Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by the Gray County Sheriff's Office for tampering with a government record with the intent to defraud/

harm. • Barbara Robbins, 58, Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by the Pampa Police Department for assault causing bodily injury against a family member.

'Duck Dynasty' coming to Pampa

STAFF REPORT

Two cast members from the popular A&E show "Duck Dynasty" will be coming to Pampa Oct. 26. Miss Kay and Jep Robertson will be appearing at the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium as part of a fundraiser for the Tralee Crisis Center.

Center director Dee Dee Laramore said tickets will not go on sale until the first week in September. Tickets are \$50 and will be sold at Panhandletickets.com.

Laramore added that the contract with the show was just signed, so details about the event are not yet available. Read The Pampa News for a more in-depth preview story on the event later in the year.

Lawsuit targets historic preservation program

AUSTIN (AP) — A Central Texas historic preservation program is being challenged because critics say it offers generous tax breaks to owners who don't adequately show whether they need the tax relief.

The Austin American-Statesman reports arguments will be heard Tuesday in district court in a dispute over whether landmark owners are proving they need an exemption for costly preservation efforts.

This year about 450 owners of historic homes in Austin have applied for the tax break. The city denied less than a dozen of the requests. Owners often submit exemption requests with brief descriptions of costs incurred to preserve buildings.

Other cities like Dallas and Fort Worth require owners to do significant repairs or renovations before they can be eligible for a break. They also must provide receipts and checks showing work was done.

Hearing for woman on death row for Amarillo murder

HOUSTON (AP) — The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals has ordered a hearing to address allegations raised in an appeal from a woman sent to death row for the 1996 robbery and slaying of an 80-year-old Amarillo man at his apartment.

Brittany Holberg says she had deficient legal help during the punishment phase of her capital murder trial. The 40-year-old woman also contends her trial lawyers told her now-deceased grandfather they intended to "throw the trial."

The appeals court Wednesday ordered Holberg's trial court to hold a hearing within 90 days so trial attorneys and their investigators can respond.

Holberg is identified in court documents as a former prostitute. The victim, A.B. Towery, was hit with a hammer, stabbed 58 times and had a lamp pole jammed down his throat.

Color run

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The event is a fundraiser for the Pregnancy Support Center and the Hope House, a temporary residence for single mothers and their children.

To preregister, visit Active.com or stop by the

PSC office. Race packets and T-shirts can be picked up at the PSC office on Friday from 6:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and from 6 to 8 p.m.

For more information, call 806-669-2229.

Shelter

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shelter's construction. But when bids for the project went out, all of them were over budget, so some cuts had to be made, said Assistant City Manager Shane Stokes.

To get the project within budget, the city and the architects had to go back into the plans and "value engineer" a few things out of the project.

Restrooms for both shelter patrons and visitors to the nearby Hobart Street Park, a back-up electrical generator and steel sculptures of a dog and cat to be located in front of the shelter all got the ax.

"We had to take out the things we couldn't afford," Stokes said. "We had to reduce it from a Cadillac to a Plymouth."

However, Stokes said the restrooms are worth building because they would replace the ones built back in the 1940s that had to be torn down.

An electrical generator is needed because the dog kennels have no windows.

If the power went out for an extended period of time, there would be no circulating air getting to the animals, he said. Or, if the city can't afford a generator, at the very least electrical hookups could be installed to connect a portable generator.

Stokes added a portable generation would probably provide enough power to operate the ventilation and emergency lights.

Though the metal sculptures are not essential, he said, they would enhance the appearance of the facility, which is expected to open by November.

Before voters approved bond money for the shelter, the city had a special fund — Fund 12 — set up for residents to make donations earmarked for the

shelter's construction. When the bond proposition passed, the money in Fund 12 piggy bank was donated to the Pampa Animal Welfare Society to help with its operating expenses.

The problem, Stokes said, is people probably think Fund 12 no longer exists and the city has all the money it needs now to build the shelter. There is only about \$200 in Fund 12 right now, he said.

Stokes said the shelter budget includes a \$50,000 contingency fund to pay for unexpected expenses that could arise during construction.

The project is now about 40 to 50 percent complete, Stokes said. All the ground work and the cinder block walls for dog kennels are finished. Right now, construction workers are putting up the steel frame for the office areas.

With that much of the construction done, Stokes said, it's unlikely the city will need to tap into the contingency fund, and hopefully the money can be used to bring back some of the smaller projects that were in the original plans.

He said the city is watching every penny it spends on the project. And while some have branded it a "Taj Mahal," it is what's needed for a city the size of Pampa, he said, adding that the shelter in current use is too small and way below standards.

"It's going to be a beautiful facility and serve a community of our size," he said of the new one.

Anyone wishing to make a donation to the city to help bring back the restrooms, emergency generator and animal sculptures can mail a check to: City of Pampa, P.O. Box 2499, Pampa, TX, 79065. Write on the check that it's going to Fund 12.

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"If only for that reason, then no," Vanderpool said, suggesting the anticipated improvement to the courtroom acoustics would more than justify the expense.

"Balcony or no balcony, I just want the acoustics (better)," he said.

Commissioner Jeff Haley recommended they meet with an acoustics engineer before soliciting bids. The engineer could study the courtroom and offer a suitable course of action for construction with and without a balcony.

In other business, the Commission established a policy to distribute the Gray County Permanent School Fund. Peet explained the money that goes into the fund comes from royalties of mineral rights the county owns in Gaines County.

"We take the interest off that and distribute it to the four school districts," Peet said, referring to Pampa, McLean, Lefors and Grandview-Hopkins Independent School Districts. He added that the funding is allocated to each district based on enrollment numbers with Pampa ISD receiving the lion's share of 80 percent.

The districts can utilize the funding for permanent improvements such as structures. Upgrades like installing phones and computers would not be considered permanent.

- Approved installing Internet access in the new terminal building at Perry Lefors Airfield.
- Approved replacing the heating, ventilation and air condition system in the north wing of the Lovett Building by installing window units for the constables' offices.
- Approved going out for bids on a seal coating project in Precinct 2. Peet reported that the road is commonly referred to as "the prison road," which runs off U.S. Highway 60 toward the Jordan Unit State Prison.
- Entered into a lease agreement with Med-Tran (Lifestar) and the county's EMS services. The county will maintain individual contracts with both Med-Tran and EMS. Utility expenses will be split 50-50 between both entities. Peet said that the ambulance personnel should be ready to move into the heliport facility by June 1.
- Approved a road crossing at County Road C.

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If you or someone you know would like to help PAWS in any form or fashion, donate items or get more information about the event contact Curry at 806-664-1615.

PAWS

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said they will be bringing 25-30 dogs that need a good home. "We will have three litters of chihuahua puppies that are about six weeks old. We will also bring about 12 other small dogs."

"We would like to have cats for adoption but need help. The cats have to be separated in a different location from the dogs so we need volunteers to run the cat station."

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Dana Terry, financial advisor Duane Harp, and Cota.

In 2010, the EDC contributed \$25,000 and the \$50,000 donated this week will go toward contributions for 2011 and 2012.

The advisory committee funded \$5,000 in scholarships to the college in spring 2011 and \$3,900 in scholarships this spring.

The committee also gave \$2,500 to the Pampa Snack Pak 4 Kids program last month.

Cota added that community members can contribute to the fund by contacting the EDC at 806-665-0800.

Commissioner John Studebaker was absent from Tuesday's meeting.

In other business, the Commission amended the City's revenues and appropriations for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1, 2012 and ending Sept. 30, 2013 to provide an additional \$150,000 for the seal coat project. Last month, the commissioners began discussing the financial boost to the seal coat project, which would add to the already budgeted \$250,000.

Public Works Director

Donny Hooper noted that the increase would allow the City to repave 10 miles of roads as opposed to 5.5 miles.

The amendment also supports planned capital improvements like water well construction, installation of a fire wall at City Hall, purchase of playground equipment and demolition project expenses.

Finance Director Robin Bailey said the money has already been budgeted, adding that the amendment is simply housekeeping, or "moving things around."

- Renamed the disc golf course located within Highland Park the "Dewey Disc Golf Course" in honor of Kelley Dewey.
- Appointed Carl Novian, Kevin Redding and Josh Crawford to the Construction Board of Adjustments and Appeals. Novian and Redding will fill unexpired board member terms ending Sept. 30 and Crawford will fill an unexpired alternate board member term ending Sept. 30, 2014.
- Canvassed the returns and declared the results of Saturday's General and Special Elections. Mayor Brad Pingel and Commissioners Studebaker and Robert Dixon were unanimously re-elected as they ran unopposed.
- "I'm excited about what's happening in Pampa and I'm honored to serve as mayor for the next four years," Pingel said.
- The mixed drink proposition passed netting around 80 percent of the vote.

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Obama's legacy? Scandal

The Obama scandals started piling up on top of each other in the last few days. The civil servants who testified on Benghazi were heart-breaking. Then the IRS admitted a punitive agenda against tax exemptions for groups with "tea party" in the name or groups that "educate about the Constitution."

Then Eric Holder's Justice Department was revealed to be wiretapping the Associated Press in April and May of 2012 to nail a leaker. President Obama is not a "victim" of a "second-term curse." This is the corrupt first term beginning to smell, it is his administration, and even the media cannot deny the odor of malfeasance.

Most liberal pundits are no longer lecturing the conservatives about how they should dump the Benghazi probe, as is their clarion call after every Democratic scandal. Too much damaging information is coming out, not to mention the stone-walling, not to mention Obama's continuous and blatant lying, such as his thuggish insistence he called this a terrorist act from the get-go, which he did not — period.

The growing collection of the Obama scandals paints a larger picture of a president who appears comfortable with an IRS that harasses his enemies, a State Department that lies to the world and a Justice Department that's wiretapping AP reporters on their home phones. That's not exactly the image of Hope and Change that the press — including the Obama pals at AP — sold us in 2008.

In 2006, reporters suggested Bush might be impeachment fodder for "domestic spying" — when the National Security Agency was listening to phone calls between Americans and Muslim radicals abroad. If the media can't summon a stronger sense of outrage when the "domestic spying" is on their

journalistic colleagues, then you'll know (again) they're completely in the tank.

In 2011 and 2012, a disturbing number of Obama's media coddlers tried to suggest he was miraculously free of any Obama scandals. Forget Fast and Furious. Who ever heard of Solyndra? One of Obama's top Democratic fundraisers ran MF Global into the ground. Who knew? Tingly Chris Matthews said Obama was "perfect" and "clean as a whistle" and has "never done anything wrong."

Some journalists still care more for Obama's image than they do about the truth. Time assistant managing editor Rana Foroohar greeted the IRS scandal by announcing on MSNBC, "What's so sad about it is the president has been very rightfully proud of the lack of scandal in his administration so far."

That could be a Jay Leno punch line.

On NPR's "Morning Edition," anchorman Steve Inskeep sounded like he'd been asleep like Rip Van Winkle for two years. He asserted to Cokie Roberts, "this administration has been described — I don't even know how many times — as remarkably scandal-free. But when you get into the second term of an administration, there's often some dirty laundry that comes out."

This is the same Steve Inskeep who gave Obama campaign manager David Axelrod a nine-minute interview on Oct. 11, one month after Benghazi — and never raised the consulate murders at all. Thanks to NPR, the "dirty laundry" stayed under the bed until Obama could be re-elected.

Apparently he buried it so well, he even he forgot the Benghazi scandal existed. Inskeep wrapped up the interview by comparing Obama to Lincoln in his reluctance to whack his opponent. "Abraham Lincoln, as historians have noted, had a habit of getting upset with someone, writing them a letter that might be a very strong letter, and then sticking it

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Pampa Periscope

Pampa 'greening up' in more ways than one

Since last Thursday night's generous downpour of rain, we've had an entire week of nearly beautiful weather in the Panhandle. That's the first time I've seen that happen since I moved here in October. But I'm certainly not complaining. I'm sure most of the you will agree that the benefits the rain brought were worth the small smattering of power outages.

With the rain and the warm sunny days, Pampa has finally "greened up."

But it's not just the scenery that's getting greener in Pampa. This past week there's been

significant steps forward with economic growth in our town.

During Saturday's local elections, the mixed drink proposition passed by an overwhelming majority of 81 percent. As a nondrinker I respect the opinions of those who voted against it. And though it's not a guarantee we will get more national chains like Bennigan's, at the very least it should help keep more people in town on the weekends to spend their money locally instead of driving to Amarillo.

Speaking of Bennigan's, the groundbreaking for the new restaurant was held Tuesday. There will be construction jobs as the restaurant is built, and an estimated 80 full- and part-time jobs when the restaurant opens in January.

Another groundbreaking was held on Monday for Amarillo Federal Credit Union. The Amarillo-based lending institution is building a new, improved office on the site of its former building which was torn down last week.

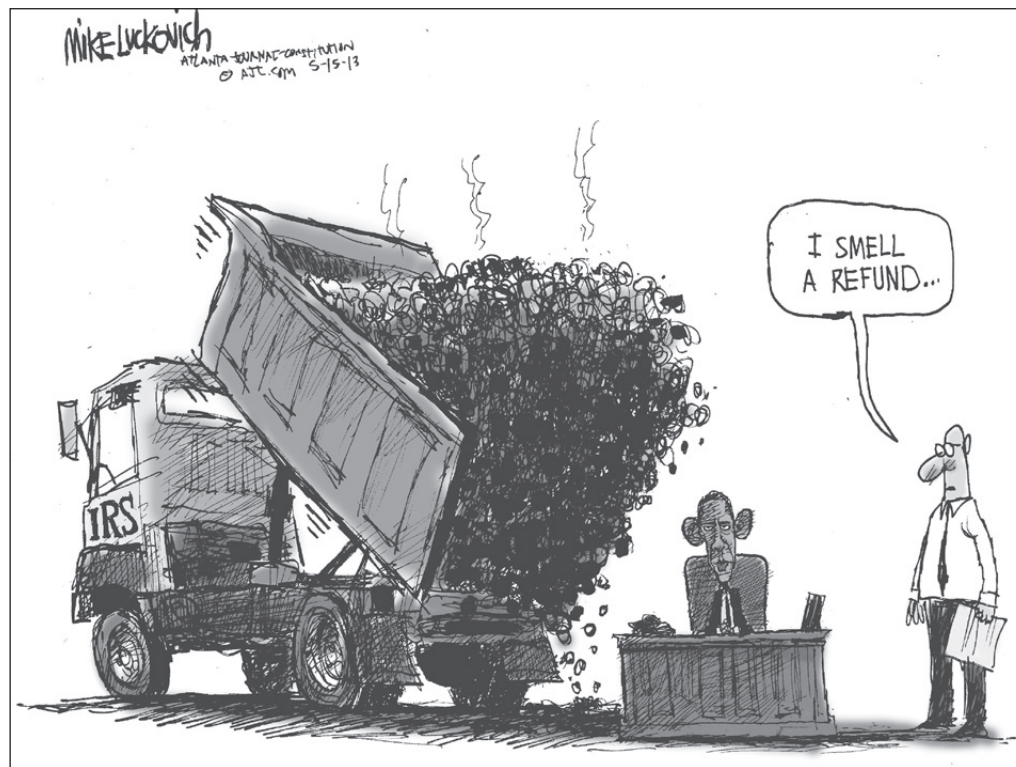
And while this is not a new business coming to town like Bennigan's, the credit union's 2,200 members in Pampa will certainly appreciate a covered drive-up along with the other improvements. And who knows, maybe they new, bigger building will attract more customers.

There's no need to look for greener pastures, because the pastures are getting greener right here in Pampa.



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The heretic at the Heritage Foundation

Jason Richwine, the young conservative scholar who co-authored the



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Heritage Foundation report on the long-term costs of the amnesty bill backed by the "Gang of Eight," is gone from Heritage. He was purged after The Washington Post unearthed his doctoral dissertation at the JFK School of Government.

Richwine's thesis: IQ tests fairly measure mental ability.

The average IQ of immigrants is well below that of white Americans.

This difference in IQ is likely to persist through several generations.

And the potential consequences of this?

"A lack of socioeconomic assimilation among low IQ immigrant groups, more underclass behavior, less social trust and an increase in the proportion of unskilled workers in the American labor market."

Richwine defended his 166-page thesis before Harvard's George Borjas, Richard Zeckhauser and Christopher Jencks, who once edited The New Republic. But while his thesis was acceptable at Harvard — it earned Richwine a Ph.D. — it has scandalized the Potomac priesthood.

Our elites appear unanimous: Richwine's view that intelligence is not equally distributed among ethnic and racial groups, and is partly inherited, is rankst heresy. Yet no one seems to want to prove

him wrong.

Consider Richwine's contention that differences in mental ability exist and seem to persist among racial and ethnic groups.

In The Wall Street Journal last month, Warren Kozak noted that 28,000 students in America's citadel of diversity, New York City, took the eighth-grade exam to enter Stuyvesant, the Bronx School of Science and Brooklyn Tech, the city's most elite high schools. Students are admitted solely on their entrance test scores.

Of the 830 students who will be entering Stuyvesant as freshmen this fall, 1 percent are black, 3 percent are Hispanic, 21 percent are white — and 75 percent are Asian.

Now, blacks and Hispanics far outnumber Asians in New York. But at Stuyvesant, Asians will outnumber blacks and Hispanics together 19-to-1.

Is this the result of racially biased tests at Stuyvesant?

At Berkeley, crown jewel of the California university system, Hispanics, 40 percent of California's population and an even larger share of California's young, are 12 percent of the freshman class. Asians, outnumbered almost 3-to-1 by Hispanics in California, have almost four times as many slots as Hispanics in the freshman class. Another example of racial bias?

The 2009 Programme for International Student Assessment, PISA, which measures the academic ability of 15-year-olds worldwide, found the U.S.A. falling to 17th in reading, 23rd in science,

31st in math.

Yet, Spain aside, not one Hispanic nation, from which a plurality of our immigrants come, was among the top 40 in reading, science or math.

But these folks are going to come here and make us No. 1 again?

Is there greater "underclass behavior" among Hispanics?

The crime rate among Hispanics is about three times that of white Americans, while the Asian crime rate is about a third that of whites.

Among white folks, the recent illegitimacy rate was 28 percent; among Hispanics, 53 percent. According to one study a few years back, Hispanics were 19 times as likely as whites to join gangs.

What about Richwine's point regarding "social trust"?

Six years ago, in "E Pluribus Unum: Diversity and Community in the 21st Century," Robert Putnam, author of "Bowling Alone," wrote that after 30,000 interviews he found that ethnic and racial diversity can be devastating to communities and destructive of community values.

In racially mixed communities, Putnam wrote, not only do people not trust strangers, they do not even trust their own kind.

"People living in ethnically diverse settings appear to 'hunker down,' that is, to pull in like a turtle ... (to) withdraw even from close friends, to expect the worst from their community and its leaders, to volunteer less, give less to charity and work on community projects less often, to register to vote less, to

agitate for social reform more but have less faith they can actually make a difference, and to huddle unhappily in front of the television."

With the immigration bill granting amnesty to 12 million illegals, an open door to their dependents and a million new immigrants each year, almost all from the Third World, America in 2040 is going to look like Los Angeles today. Yet, it was in L.A. that Putnam found social capital at its most depleted and exhausted.

If Richwine is right, America in 2040 will be a country with whites and Asians dominating the professions, and 100 million Hispanics concentrated in semiskilled work and manual labor.

The issues Richwine raises go to the question of whether we shall survive as one nation and one people.

If our huge bloc of Hispanics, already America's largest minority at 53 million, is fed by constant new immigration, but fails for a couple of generations to reach the middle-class status that Irish, Germans, Jews, Italians and Poles attained after two generations, what becomes of our "indivisible" nation?

Rather than face this question, better to purge and silence the Harvard extremist who dared to raise it.

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Thursday, May 16, 2013 Page A5 Community Christian School

Activities planned for May
 Muffins for Mom, Book Fair, Trip to Discovery Center

Kindergarten Graduation
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Fun things are always happening...



...at Community Christian School. With small classes it is easier to move through the curriculum which leaves room for lots of other learning. This semester has offered lots of variety. Art classes for all ages have introduced students to many different artists and projects to go with each one.

A trip to the Red River Dairy for 4th /5th grade offered an afternoon of fun learning. National School Week was celebrated this year. It isn't about Public school vs. Christian school, but about the best choice in education overall. A picnic and Easter egg hunt brought excitement to the

month of March, as well as Donuts for Dad. May is packed with activities including Muffins for Mom, the book fair, picnic and field day in the park, a trip to the Discovery Center, and we finish up the year with an end of year program and Kindergarten graduation.



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Obama administration: Wind farms get pass on eagle deaths

CONVERSE COUNTY, Wyo. (AP) — It happens about once a month here, on the barren foothills of one of America's green-energy boomtowns: A soaring golden eagle slams into a wind farm's spinning turbine and falls, mangled and lifeless, to the ground.

Killing these iconic birds is not just an irreplaceable loss for a vulnerable species. It's also a federal crime, a charge that the Obama administration has used to prosecute oil companies when birds drown in their waste pits, and power companies when birds are electrocuted by their power lines.

But the administration has never fined or prosecuted a wind-energy company, even those that flout the law repeatedly. Instead, the government is shielding the industry from liability and helping keep the scope of the deaths secret.

Wind power, a pollution-free energy intended to ease global warming, is a cornerstone of President Barack Obama's energy plan. His administration has championed a \$1 billion-a-year tax break to the industry that has nearly doubled the amount of wind power in his first term.

But like the oil industry under President George W. Bush, lobbyists and executives have used their favored status to help steer U.S. energy policy.

The result is a green industry that's allowed to do not-so-green things. It kills protected species with impunity and conceals the environmental consequences of sprawling wind farms.

More than 573,000 birds are killed by the country's wind farms each year, including 83,000 hunting birds such as hawks, falcons and eagles, according to an estimate published in March in the peer-reviewed Wildlife Society Bulletin.

Getting precise figures is impossible because many companies aren't required to disclose how many birds they kill. And when they do, experts say, the data can be unreliable.

When companies voluntarily report deaths, the Obama administration in many cases refuses to make the information public, saying it belongs to the energy companies or that revealing it would expose trade secrets or implicate ongoing enforcement investigations.

Nearly all the birds being killed are protected under federal environmental laws, which prosecutors have used to generate tens of millions of dollars in fines and settlements from businesses, including oil and gas companies, over the past five years.

"We are all responsible for

protecting our wildlife, even the largest of corporations," Colorado U.S. Attorney David M. Gaouette said in 2009 when announcing Exxon Mobil had pleaded guilty and would pay \$600,000 for killing 85 birds in five states, including Wyoming.

The large death toll at wind farms shows how the renewable energy rush comes with its own environmental consequences, trade-offs the Obama administration is willing to make in the name of cleaner energy.

"It is the rationale that we have to get off of carbon, we have to get off of fossil fuels, that allows them to justify this," said Tom Dougherty, a long-time environmentalist who worked for nearly 20 years for the National Wildlife Federation in the West, until his retirement in 2008. "But at what cost? In this case, the cost is too high."

The Obama administration has refused to accept that cost when the fossil-fuel industry is to blame. The BP oil company was fined \$100 million for killing and harming migratory birds during the 2010 Gulf oil spill. And PacifiCorp, which operates coal plants in Wyoming, paid more than \$10.5 million in 2009 for electrocuting 232 eagles along power lines and at its substations.

But PacifiCorp also operates wind farms in the state, where at least 20 eagles have been found dead in recent years, according to corporate surveys submitted to the federal government and obtained by The Associated Press. They've neither been fined nor prosecuted. A spokesman for PacifiCorp, which is a subsidiary of MidAmerican Energy Holdings Co. of Des Moines, Iowa, said that's because its turbines may not be to blame.

"What it boils down to is this: If you electrocute an eagle, that is bad, but if you chop it to pieces, that is OK," said Tim Eicher, a former U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service enforcement agent based in Cody, who helped prosecute the PacifiCorp power line case.

By not enforcing the law, the administration provides little incentive for companies to build wind farms where there are fewer birds. And while companies already operating turbines are supposed to avoid killing birds, in reality there's little they can do once the windmills are spinning.

Wind farms are clusters of turbines as tall as 30-story buildings, with spinning rotors the size of jetliners. Though the blades appear to move slowly, they can reach speeds up to 170 mph at the tips, creating tornado-like vortexes.

Flying eagles behave like drivers texting on their cell-phones; they don't look up. As they scan for food, they don't notice the industrial turbine blades until it's too late.

The rehabilitation coordinator for the Rocky Mountain Raptor Program, Michael Tischer, said he euthanized two golden eagles found starving and near death near wind farms.

Both had injuries he'd never seen before: One of their wings appeared to be twisted off.

"There is nothing in the evolution of eagles that would come near to describing a wind turbine. There has never been an opportunity to adapt to that sort of threat," said Grainger Hunt, an eagle expert who researches the U.S. wind-power industry's deadliest location, a northern California area known as Altamont Pass. Wind farms built there decades ago kill more than 60 per year.

Eagle deaths have forced the Obama administration into a difficult choice between its unbridled support for wind energy and enforcing environmental laws that could slow the industry's growth.

Former Interior Secretary Ken Salazar, in an interview with the AP before his departure, denied any preferential treatment for wind. Interior Department officials said that criminal prosecution, regardless of the industry, is always a "last resort."

"There's still additional work to be done with eagles and other avian species, but we are working on it very hard," Salazar said. "We will get to the right balance."

Meanwhile, the Obama administration has proposed a rule that would give wind-energy companies potentially decades of shelter from prosecution for killing eagles. The regulation is currently under review at the White House.

The proposal, made at the urging of the wind-energy industry, would allow companies to apply for 30-year permits to kill a set number of bald or golden eagles. Previously, companies were only eligible for five-year permits.

In exchange for the longer timetable, companies agree that if they kill more eagles

than allowed, the government could require them to make changes. But the administration recently said it would cap how much a company could be forced to spend on finding ways to reduce the number of eagles its facility is killing.

The Obama administration said the longer permit was needed to "facilitate responsible development of renewable energy" while "continuing to protect eagles."

That's because without a long-term authorization to kill eagles, investors are less likely to finance an industry that's violating the law.

Typically, the government would be forced to study the environmental effects of such a regulation before implementing it. In this case, though, the Obama administration avoided a full review, saying the policy was nothing more than an "administrative change."

"It's basically guaranteeing a black box for 30 years, and they're saying 'trust us for oversight.'" This is not the path forward," said Katie Umekubo, a renewable energy attorney with the Natural Resources Defense Council and a former lawyer for the Fish and Wildlife Service. In private meetings with industry and government leaders in recent months, environmental groups have argued that the 30-year permit needed an in-depth environmental review.

The tactics have created an unexpected rift between the administration and major environmental groups favoring green energy that, until the eagle rule, had often been on the same side as the wind industry.

Those conservation groups that have been critical of the administration's stance from the start, such as the American Bird Conservancy, have often been cut out of the behind-the-scenes discussions and struggled to obtain information on bird deaths at wind farms.

"There are no seats at the exclusive decision-making table for groups that want the wind industry to be held accountable for the birds it kills," said Kelly Fuller, who works on wind issues for the group.

The eagle rule is not the first time the administration has made concessions for

the wind-energy industry. Last year, over objections from some of its own wildlife investigators and biologists, the Interior Department updated its guidelines and provided more cover for wind companies that violate the law.

The administration and some environmentalists say that was the only way to exact some oversight over an industry that operates almost exclusively on private land and generates no pollution, and therefore is exposed to little environmental regulation.

Under both the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act, the death of a single bird without a permit is illegal.

But under the Obama administration's new guidelines, wind-energy companies — and only wind-energy companies — are held to a different standard. Their facilities don't face additional scrutiny until they have a "significant adverse impact" on wildlife or habitat. But under both bird protection laws, any impact has to be addressed.

The rare exception for one industry substantially weakened the government's ability to enforce the law and ignited controversy inside the Interior Department.

"U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service does not do this for the electric utility industry or other industries," Kevin Kritz, a government wildlife biologist in the Rocky Mountain region wrote in government records in September 2011. "Other industries will want to be judged on a similar standard."

Experts working for the agency in California and Nevada wrote in government records in June 2011 that the new federal guidelines should be considered as though they were put together by corporations, since they "accommodate the renewable energy industry's proposals, without due accountability."

The Obama administration, however, repeatedly overruled its experts at the Fish and Wildlife Service. In the end, the wind-energy industry, which was part of the committee that drafted and edited the guidelines, got almost everything it wanted.

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in a desk — never sending it," Inskeep stated.

"Now we know it was more along the lines of 'Hello? IRS?'"

Insert vomiting sound effects here. This is how NPR flagrantly demonstrates its mockery of the Public Broadcasting Act's long-ignored language about "objectivity and balance in all programming of a controversial nature."

To them, Obama should be chiseled into Mount Rushmore even as he engages in breath-taking corruption to destroy his enemies.

If the media had acted like professionals in 2012, more of this new information would be old news by now. Voters could have made a decision between Obama and Romney with a fuller picture of how corrupt this administration truly

is. By refusing to reveal that corruption, they brought that stain of corruption on themselves.

Some reporters in this moment are sounding like professionals. But too many reporters are spending too much time pining about how scandals may harm Obama's "legacy." Journalists shouldn't be demonstrating great care for Obama's historical reputation, like they're the White House weed-whackers.

Obama's legacy is becoming apparent. He laughably claimed to be above politics, above partisanship and dirty tricks — when the facts are proving he's really the dirtiest pool player in today's politics. It's Chicago-style politics, day and night.

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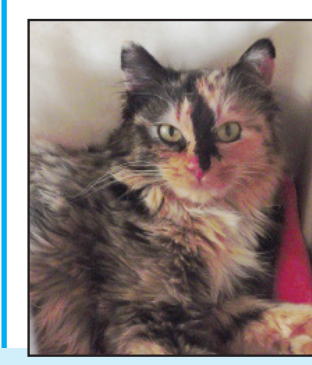


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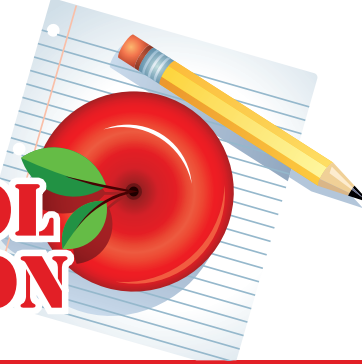
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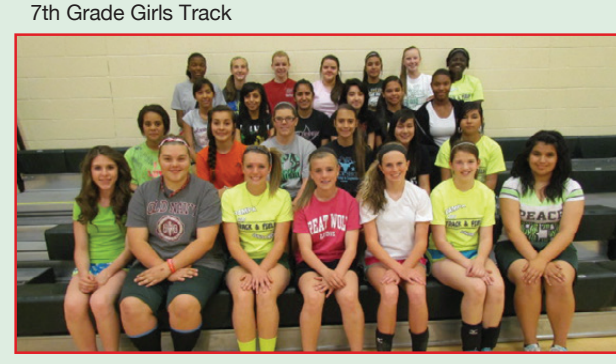
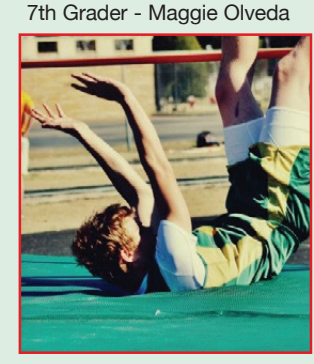
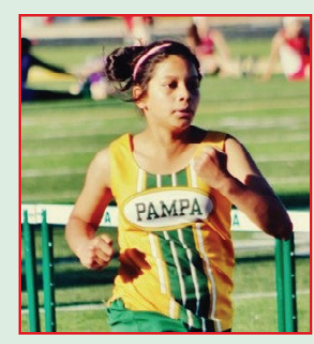
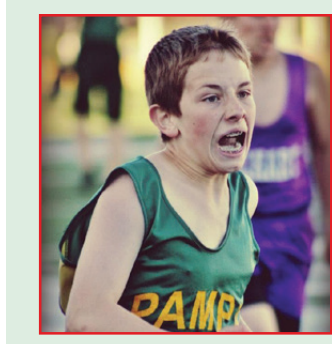
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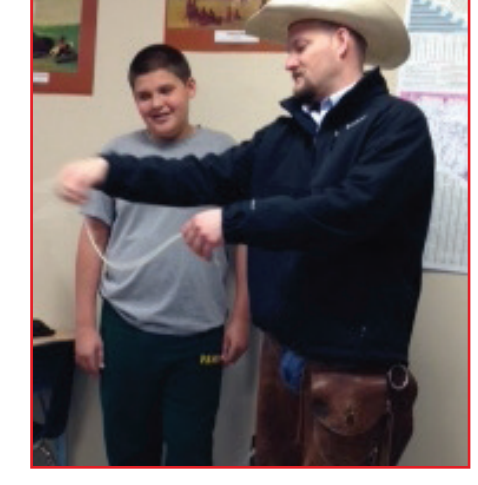


Left- 6th graders waiting their turn for their bubble ball. Below Left- Alexis Mungia and Shavonna Feilds race. Below Right - 8th graders Bryan Bolton, Victor Silva, and Drake Estep show off their dance moves.

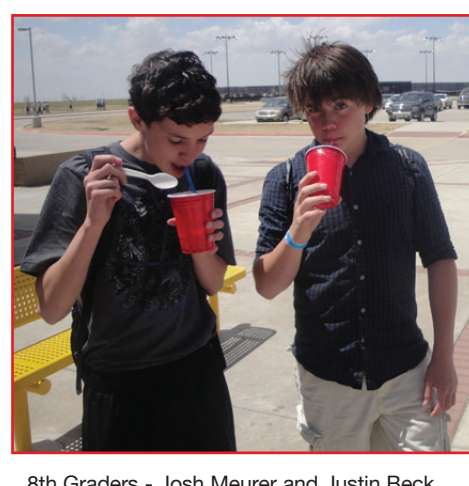


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GT Conference - Front - Lauren Pigel (l to r first row) Miss Aderholt, Jodi Pingel, Christian Tapia, Indy Sullivan, Mrs. Weaver (back l to r) Ryan Roden, Bryson Paronto, Bryce Parker, and Jett Richards



8th Graders - Aexis Mungia, Harper Kelly, Madison Floyd, and Indy Sullivan (back). 8th Graders - Josh Meurer and Justin Beck

Student Council Coke Float Party



Student Council 7th Graders - Fernando Anguiano and Destiny Portillo, Serving. Student Council 8th Grader Nicholas Thomas serves.

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CASA of the High Plains' Change a Child's Life campaign



Submitted photos

Pictured are winners from Austin Elementary School. Left, first-place winners are from Jennifer Carter's first-grade class, which raised \$219, and winners from Gail Hooper's second-grade class, right, which raised \$189 for second place. The total amount raised from Austin Elementary was \$1,331, which is more than \$100 from what was raised last year. These winners received their trophies this morning and their pizza parties will follow.

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CASA of the High Plains conducted its annual Change a Child's Life campaign to raise awareness of the issue of child abuse and neglect in our area. This campaign was formerly known to many as the Penny Campaign. Area

schools were asked to participate by providing contests in the area schools.

Parents received a letter explaining that CASA of the High Plains is a nonprofit organization made up of trained volunteers who speak up for children who have been removed from their home due to child abuse and neglect.

Children were asked to bring their loose change and other donations to fill empty bottles in their classroom for less fortunate kids. The top two classes will win a pizza party and classroom trophies. All donations received from this campaign will help abused and neglected children in Gray County.

DAR held May 2 meeting

SUBMITTED

The Las Pampas Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met May 2 for a luncheon at the Dixie Restaurant. Nancy Coffee was the hostess. Attending with Coffee were, Donna Burger, Mary Cantrell Omajean Lewis, Kay Slate, Betty White, Shirley Williamson, and one visitor, Lynn Lively. Cantrell led the DAR ritual, and Lewis read an article to remember the Civil War and especially the battle at Vicksburg, Pa. A constitution minute was read by Burger. White reported on DAR schools. Lewis gave information on the veterans of America.

To find information on the burial records for the Civil War Veterans go to Ancestry.com and to VA Ancestry.com.

Coffee gave a national defense report on body armor for women in the military, the vests have to be shaped in a shorter, more curved contours to fit women.

The government hopes to have the vest in use by next year.

Slate read the minutes for the April 4 meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

Members decided that meetings for next year will be at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center unless a member chooses to have the meeting at her home.

Local student graduates from Wayland Baptist University

PLAINVIEW — Scott Lindon Langford, of Pampa, graduated from Wayland Baptist University on May 11. He received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in business administration and is the son of Mark and Sandra Langford of Pampa. The ceremony was held at the Hutcherson Center on the Wayland campus in Plainview.

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NECKLACE WINNERS



A Diva ladies diamond necklace was given away to the winners of the Rheams Diamond Shop Mother's Day drawing. Owner Ken Rheams said about 100 people signed up for the drawing and no purchase was necessary to be eligible to win. Pictured is, Rheams, at left, with winners Pat and Monty Elkins.

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2013 PAMPA HARVESTERS FOOTBALL SCHEDULES

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Game times and locations are subject to change for all matchups. The Iowa Park varsity game is the only varsity game that might change location if Iowa Park's field is not ready. Stay tuned for updates in later editions of The Pampa News, our Facebook page and the Pampa ISD Athletic Department website by visiting Pampaisd.net and clicking on "Athletic Department," under the Department's tab. The opponent is listed above the date of the game. The location of the game is listed below the date of the game. For example, Iowa Park is at 7:30 p.m., Friday, Aug. 30 at Iowa Park.

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Glo-Valve Service falls 7-5

SUBMITTED

With back to back wins over Glo-Valve Service and Rotary Club, Duncan, Fraser & Bridges Insurance Agency pulled into a first place tie with Glo-Valve in the Pampa Optimist 11-12 Cal Ripken League.

Behind the pitching of Ethan Lemke, DFB defeated Glo-Valve 7-5 on Monday as Lemke struck out Glo-Valve's clean up hitter with the tying runs on base to end the game. DFB followed up Tuesday with a 13-9 win over Rotary. DFB and Glo-Valve now have identical 5-2-1 records in league play with four games left in the regular season.

DFB struck first Monday against Glo-Valve. In the top of the second inning Tucker Bridwell walked, stole two bases and came home on a wild pitch. DFB made it 3-0 in the top of the third when Lemke doubled home Thomas Alamanza and Oscar Silva, who both had walked. Walks to Anthony Ontiveros and Bridwell in the fourth inning, wild pitches and an error made the score 5-0.

Glo-Valve got a run back in the bottom of the fourth. Julian Velasquez opened the inning with a single. He was forced at second by Devan Johnson. Johnson stole second and scored on a single by Jace Ware.

In the top of the sixth, DFB struck again on a single by Lemke, a stolen base and a throwing error. Josh Demaroney followed with

a walk, a stolen base and scored on a single by Kyle Brotherton.

Glo-Valve came back strong in the bottom of the sixth. Roc Doan walked. Ethan Rushing reached base on an error.

Velasquez collect his second hit of the evening. Johnson's infield grounder forced Doan at home. Sholby Reeve was safe on a fielder's choice which plated Rushing. A single by Fernando Perez brought in Velasquez and Johnson. Evan Boyd was safe on an error.

Glo-Valve's cleanup hitter worked a full count, fouled off four pitches but finally succumbed.

Velasquez was Glo-Valve's leading hitter going two for two with a run scored. Lemke aided his own cause with two hits, one run and two RBI.

Brotherton also had two hits for DFB.

Brotherton picked a runner off third and Ontiveros started a 1-3 double play for the outstanding defensive plays of the game for DFB. Ware threw a runner out at second while Jakob Wilson and Tyler Orand combined to catch a runner out trying to steal home on the back end of a double play for Glo-Valve.

Chris Gowin and Reeve also made outstanding fly ball catches in the outfield for Glo-Valve.

Cabot Corporation and Rotary clash at 5:45 p.m. Thursday. DFB hosts Glo-Valve Monday in a game to break the first place tie at 5:45 p.m. while Cabot and Rotary face each other again at 7:45 p.m. Monday. The Pampa Optimist Youth Club is a Pampa United Way agency.

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



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Children's Fishing Tournament at Lake Fryer

SUBMITTED

The Wolf Creek Improvement Board will be hosting a Children's Fishing Tournament at Lake Fryer on Saturday June 1.

Registration will begin at 8 a.m. at the pavilion located east of the Lobo Restaurant. There will be a \$1 registration fee with all of the proceeds dedicated for improvements to the lake.

A limited number of fishing poles and T-shirts will be provided. However, last year they had more contestants than fishing poles so anyone who has their own is encouraged to bring them as a backup.

Saturday is a free fishing day for all ages and no permits will be needed. The

tournament ends at noon and prizes will be awarded at 1 p.m.

Prizes will be awarded in three age groups: Ages 3-6; Ages 7-10; and Ages 11-14.

Additional "all ages" prizes will be awarded for largest fish, smallest fish, ugliest fish, first turtle, most unusual thing found in the park and the contestant who traveled the furthest.

For more information contact Kay Allison at 806-228-5338. Lake Fryer is located in Ochiltree County between Canadian and Perryton.

It is seven miles east of Highway 83 on County Road 25A. It is 33 miles north of Canadian and 17 miles south of Perryton.

Small-Fry Fishing Tournament meeting

SUBMITTED

A working session of the Small-Fry Fishing Tournament Association will be held this Sunday at 3 p.m. at Lake Meredith headquarters, 419 E. Broadway, Fritch. Committees will be formed to help with various aspects of the tournament, which will be held this fall at the Stilling Basin in Spring

Canyon. Volunteers are needed to assist with planning, stuffing gift bags for participants, and for day-of-tournament activities such as registration, cooking, and assisting youngsters who have never fished.

All interested parties are invited to attend Sunday's meeting.

For more information, contact Win Bishop at 806-857-2541.

Man charged in feast at supermarket

MOUNT WASHINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Authorities in Kentucky have charged a man who officers say had an overnight feast in a closed supermarket outside Louisville.

The manager of a Valu-Market says he found 57 empty whipped cream cans in the garbage when he arrived Monday morning.

WAVE-TV in Louisville reported 30-year-old Trevor Runyon was charged after he was found in the ceiling of the store.

Surveillance video from the store showed that Runyon cooked and ate six steaks, washed them down with beer and then topped off his meal with shrimp and birthday cake.

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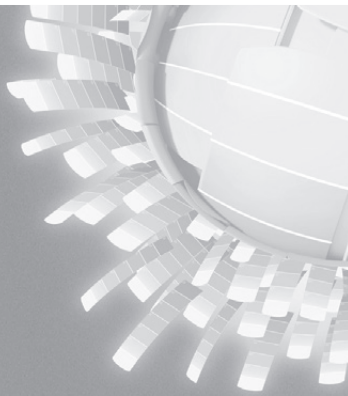
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Ask a Giraffe!

If you could ask a giraffe any questions you wanted, what would you ask?

Q: How does a giraffe sleep?

A long, deep sleep is very dangerous for giraffes. We might not sense when a predator comes near.

During the day, we doze on and off for a few minutes at a time. Quietly and gently we relax our necks and let our heads hang downward.

At night, we lie down. But even then, we only take cat naps. We wake up every few minutes and look around.

Q: Why is there a bird hopping around your body?

That little bird is called an oxpecker and it is a good friend to a giraffe. We don't have arms and hands to flick away pesky ticks, fleas and flies. Oxpeckers pick them off of us. They eat the little pests and also help keep us clean.

Catch that flea!
A flea is tickling the giraffe. Follow the flea's path.

START

FINISH

Q: How tall is a giraffe?

Giraffes are the tallest land animals. Find the missing number to find out how tall a giraffe grows.

Males: 2+ _____ = 8

Male giraffes can grow to be _____ meters tall. That is the size of 3-4 grown men standing on each other's shoulders!

Females: 3+ _____ = 8

Female giraffes can grow to be _____ meters tall.

Baby giraffes are about 2 meters tall when they are born. That is more than 6 feet tall! If one meter equals about 3 feet, approximately how many feet tall are adult giraffes?

Standards Link: Algebra: Solve problems involving numeric equations; express simple unit conversions.

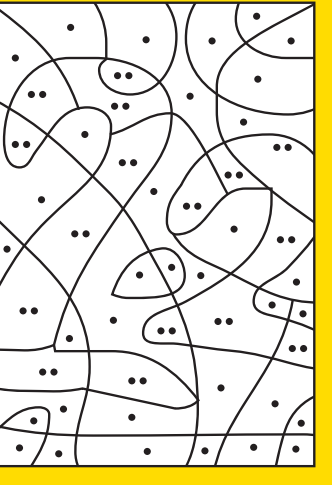
ANSWER: Male = 18 ft. Female = 15 ft.

At top speed, giraffes can gallop up to 37 miles per hour (60 kph)!

Q: How long are giraffe tongues?

Don't challenge a giraffe to see who can stick out their tongue the farthest! Color the spaces that have 2 dots red to find out how many inches a giraffe can stick out its tongue.

Standards Link: Life Science: Animals have different structures that serve different functions in survival.



Q: How many bones are in a giraffe's neck?

Add the numbers to find out!

2+3+1+1= _____

Do you know how many bones are in your neck? Subtract these numbers for the answer.

19-5-3-4= _____

Standards Link: Number Sense: Solve problems using addition and subtraction.

Extra! Extra!

Greater Than Less Than

Cut out six numbers from the newspaper. Arrange them into different "greater than" and "less than" sentences.

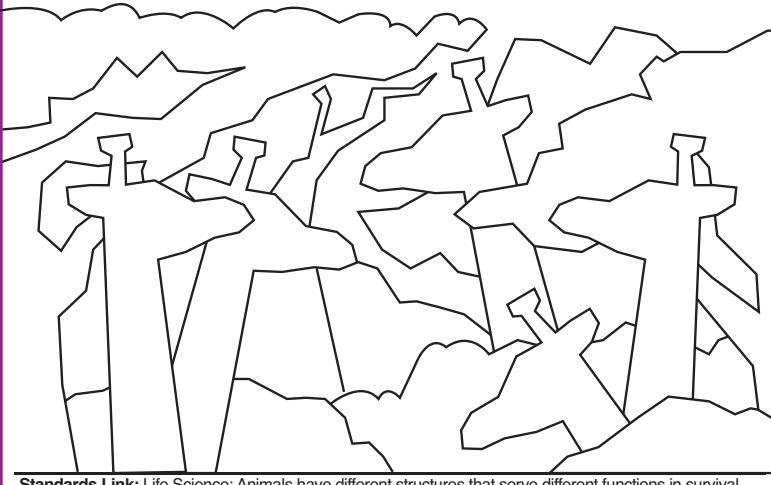
987 > 654

Standards Link: Math: Number Sense; compare and order whole numbers using the symbols for less than and greater than (<,>).

Q: Why do giraffes have spots?

The patterns on a giraffe's body are not just for looks. They camouflage us. We can blend in with the shadows and shafts of light that filter around trees and bushes.

Color all of the giraffes you see in the grove of trees.



Standards Link: Life Science: Animals have different structures that serve different functions in survival.

Double Double Word Search

- GIRAFFES
- BLEND
- TONGUES
- PATTERNS
- TICKS
- SLEEP
- HANG
- SPOTS
- PREDATOR
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Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

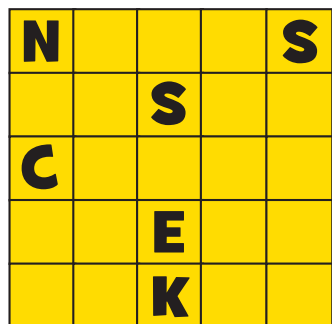


Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognizing identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Numbers 1,2,4,5,6 are TRUE. Number 3 is false. A male giraffe uses its neck in combat. A "necking duel" can last more than half an hour and it is used to establish dominance.

Kid Scoop-doku™

Complete the grid by using all the letters in the word NECKS in each vertical and horizontal row. Each letter should only be used once in each row. Some spaces have been filled in for you.



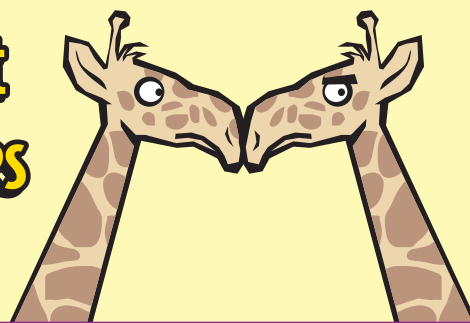
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Sentence Stre-e-etchers

- Write a short subject-verb sentence.
Example: Maria laughed.
- Look through the newspaper for words to add to the sentence.
Example: The talented Maria caught a flying baseball and laughed aloud.

Standards Link: Sentence Structure; students construct simple sentences; use correct word order in written sentences.

What do you get when two giraffes collide?



ANSWER: A giraffe jam!

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Long Neck News

Pretend you woke up one morning with the neck of a giraffe. Write a news story about being the first person with such a neck.

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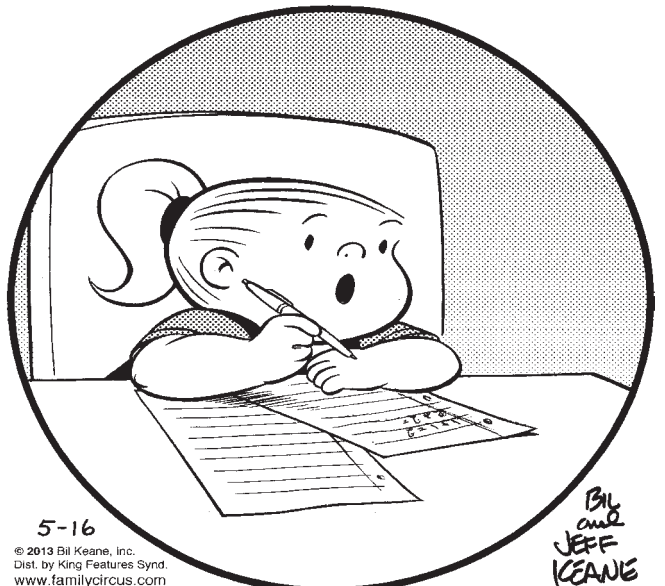
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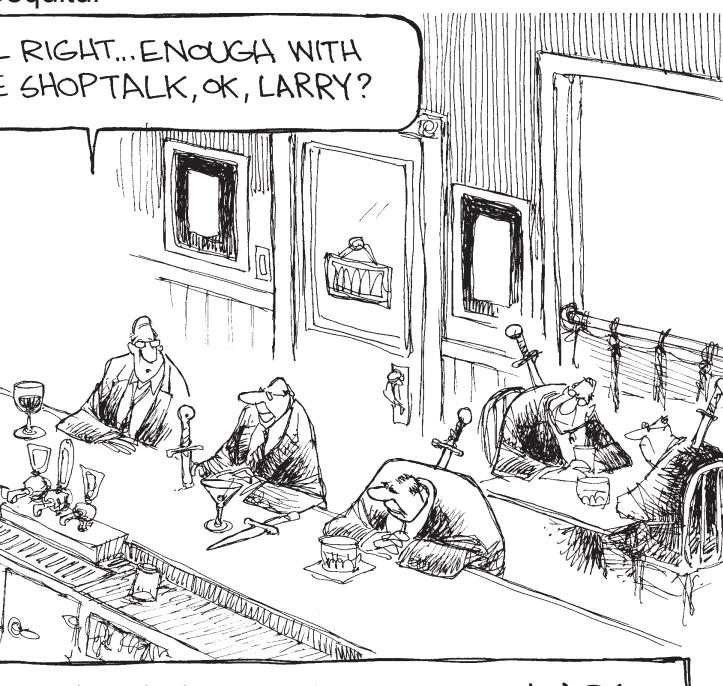
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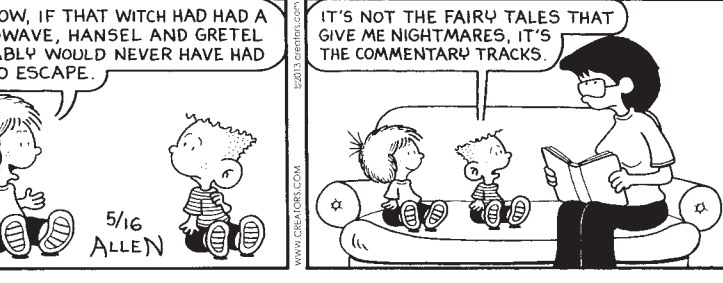
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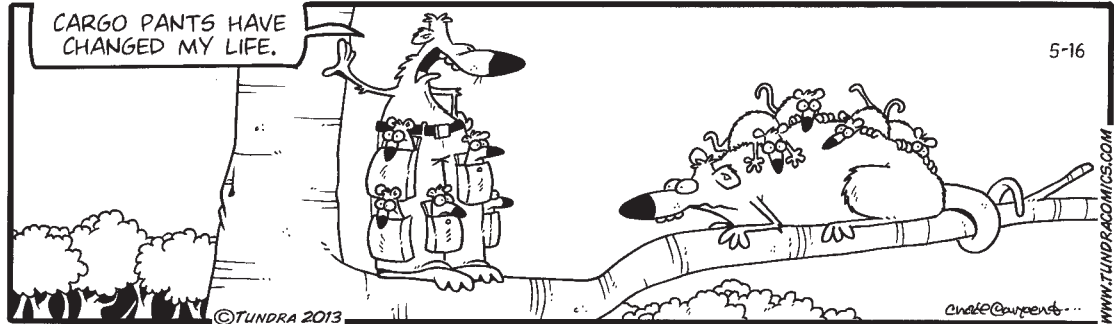


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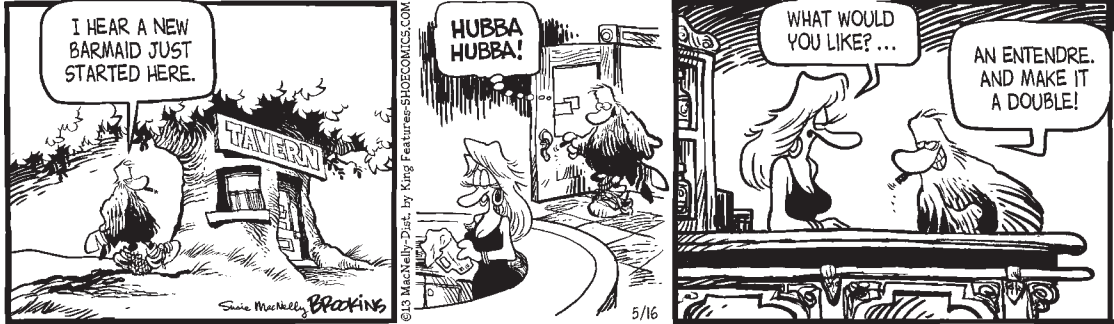
HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, May 17, 2013:
This year you will curb a tendency to be grumpy or touchy, as that behavior could undermine the quality of your year. You will hit a financial high, but with more money coming in, you also might increase your spending. If you are single, you have great potential to meet someone you really can communicate with. This relationship could evolve into more, if you choose. If you are attached, both of you enjoy your time together more and more. Make time for special dates and getaways as a couple. **LEO** remains a loyal friend.
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)
★★★ If you feel as if you are investing too much in a key area of your life — whether it is time, emotionally or financially — stop. Consider initiating a discussion with the other people involved. You could learn a lot as a result. Tonight: Communication remains vital.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You could be overwhelmed by a situation and want to express your frustration in anger. Many people will stop and take notice of your fiery display, as it is rare for you to lose your temper. Be hurtling to make a caring gesture if you will hurt someone's feelings. Tonight: Be yourself.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Your instincts guide you. You need to express your feelings in a way that others can hear. Once you are acknowledged, good will and upbeat choices will follow. Do not allow your anger to build — just be the cooperative Twin. Tonight: Out and about with loved ones.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Observe what is going on behind the scenes. You might have a sense that everything will work out fine. A friend displays quite a temper. This person does not express his or her anger often, but when he or she does, step back. Tonight: Listen to what is not being said.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You could be put off by someone's actions. You are likely to say so in a harsh manner, which potentially could cause a lot more uproar. Use your sunny personality to express your discomfort so that it doesn't trigger any

problems. Tonight: Get together with friends.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You could be irritated by a miscommunication. You might need to bite your tongue and not say what you think until later. You need time to think. Touch base with an older friend, and ask for his or her advice. Good news is forthcoming. Tonight: Off doing your own thing.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Just be yourself, and everything will fall into place. Try to work through a conflict by understanding where the other person is coming from. You could feel slightly off-kilter until you do. You are a sign that rarely is comfortable with disagreeable emotions. Tonight: TGIF!
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You have a knee-jerk response, which often can be a problem, especially when harsh words are the result. Keep in mind that the wittier your words are, the more likely they will be remembered! Optimism surrounds a relationship. Tonight: Have fun till the wee hours.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You have a fiery personality right now. Try to funnel your frustration into a project or some other activity. You might need to make a change. Detach, and you will be delighted by incoming news or an offer. Say "yes" to an adventure. Tonight: Do something different.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You enjoy relating to one specific person, be it personally or professionally. The energy that exists between you will open doors and allow more options than you originally thought possible. A moneymaking opportunity could come forward for both of you. Tonight: Add in some spice.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Many people don't agree with you, but your friends enjoy your company and far-out ideas. Your popularity soars. You also have the opportunity to strengthen a bond. Others trust you more than you might realize; your integrity counts. Tonight: Where the action is.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You are determined to complete a project. You're even willing to take it home this weekend to work on it if need be. A close friend might offer to pitch in, and you could be surprised at how much fun you have while working together. Tonight: Play it relaxed.

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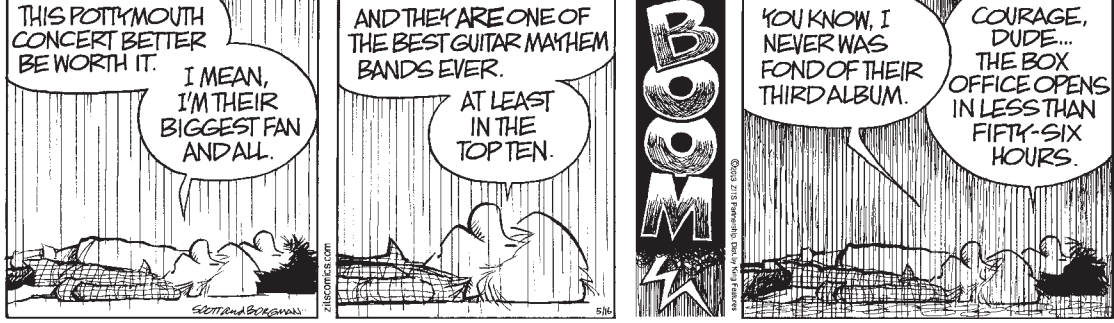
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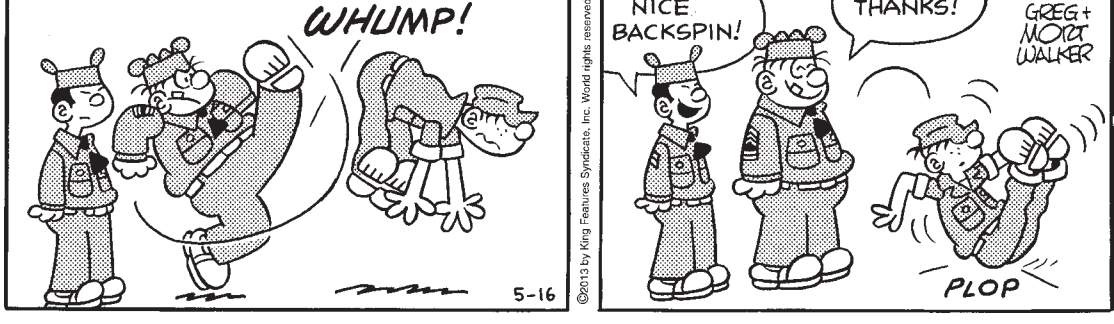
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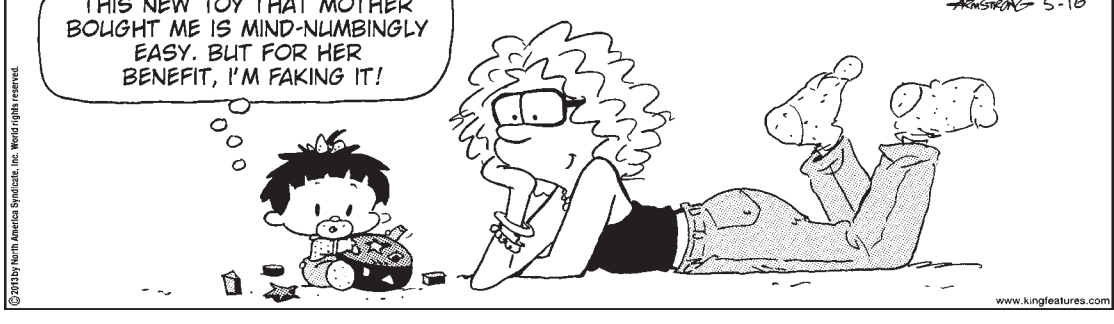
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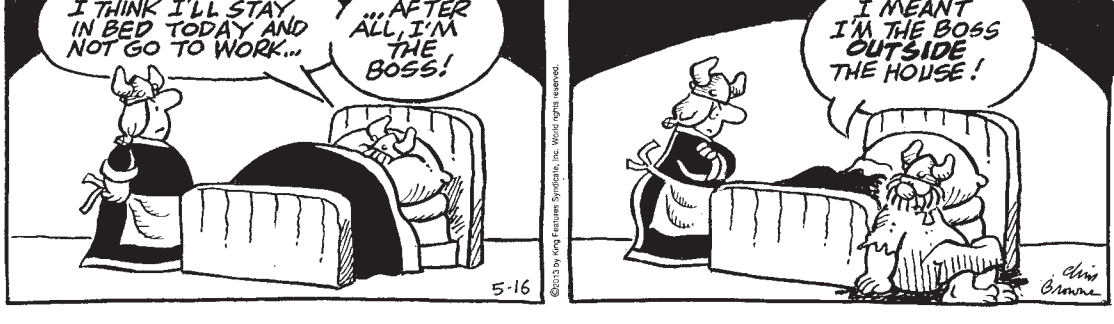
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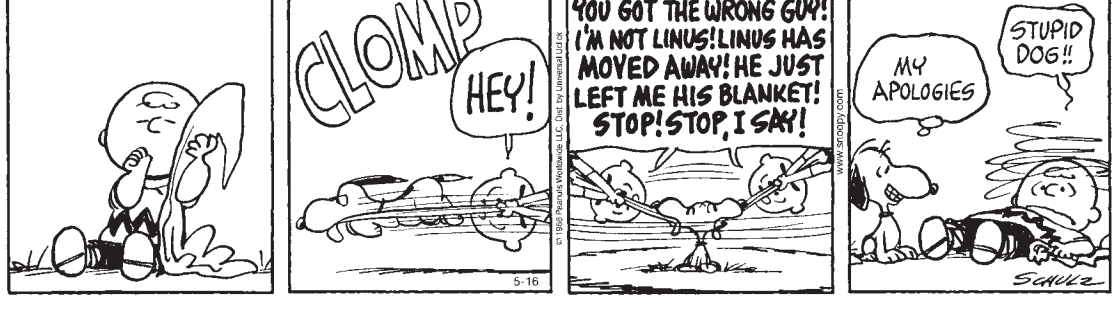
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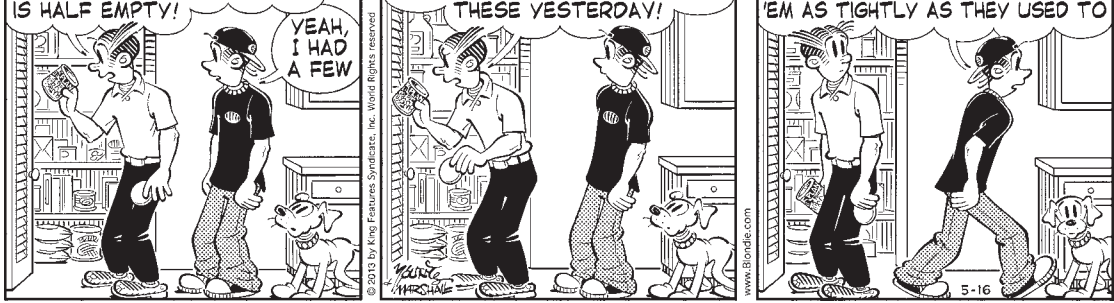
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 1314 Mary Ellen
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 Sat. 8 - Noon
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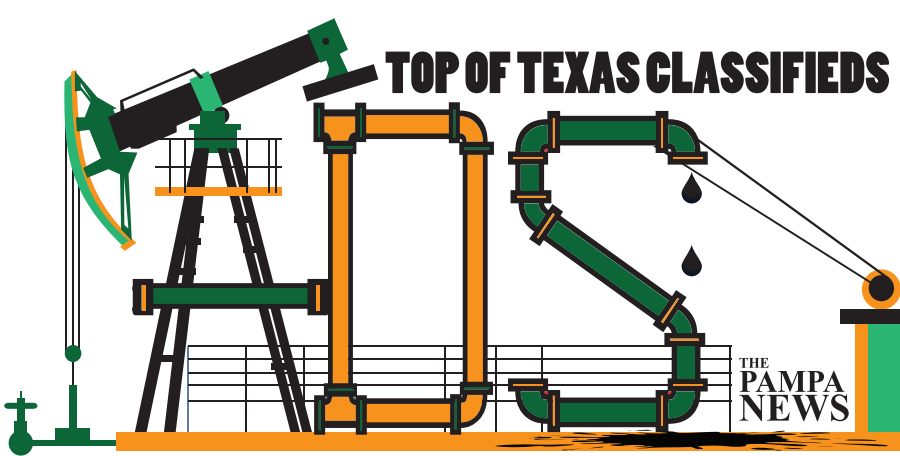
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Two years after the divorce I started a relationship with a man who is 10 years older. He had recently ended a long-term dating/living together relationship. I wasn't particularly drawn to him, but he was very persistent. We finally, jokingly, agreed to be "exclusively casual" and began dating. My children don't dislike him; they are indifferent to him.

We have been dating for six years. I do not love him. He, however, professes to adore me and wants us to spend our lives together. I do NOT want this to go on any longer. I have some serious health issues and I'm not interested in having him as my caretaker. He has already made plans for us to be together for this. I don't want him doing this for me.

He's a good man. He deserves someone who wants the devotion he is so willing to give. How do I tell him to move on? I'm financially stable. He's not after my money; he's very comfortable on his own. I need

to force him to go find a woman who needs or wants him. Many of his friends can't seem to connect with any of the younger students there. It's disheartening, to be honest, and I feel it's part of the reason I can't enjoy school at my age (23) after all my experiences in combat.

DEAR DRAGGING YOUR FEET: The longer you put this off, the harder it will be, and if you don't open your mouth you are going to find yourself in exactly the position you say you don't want to be. The magic words are: "John, I have enjoyed your friendship, but I'm not in love with you. I had hoped that as time passed I would fall in love with you, but it hasn't happened and now I realize it isn't going to. I want to deal with my health issues on my own. I don't want you to be my caretaker. What I DO want is to end our relationship so you can find a woman who will love you the way you deserve to be loved. Sadly, that's not me — but I wish you well and ... goodbye."

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DEAR ABBY: I am a vet-

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Yesterday's Answer: PHANTOM, ILLEGAL, INDUSTRY 5.16

CROSSWORD
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ACROSS

- 1 Thin cut
- 5 Insuper
- 10 Walk nervously
- 11 Comfort
- 12 Hymn close
- 13 Laughed derisively
- 14 Faint star
- 16 Republican stronghold
- 20 Pixie
- 23 Firewood unit
- 24 Formal wear
- 25 Deceive
- 27 Travel stop
- 28 Waltz and Watusi
- 29 Barton's group
- 32 Non-playing player
- 36 Doing sums
- 39 Rose's love
- 40 Full of spirit
- 41 Tennis star
- 42 Office aides
- 43 Midterm, for one

DOWN

- 2 Not believable
- 3 Like cupcakes
- 4 Vine growth
- 5 Rude fellows
- 6 Up in the air
- 7 Washington baseballer, for short
- 8 Top card
- 9 Was ahead
- 11 Window cover
- 15 Moistens
- 17 Writer Waugh
- 18 Carryall
- 19 They may clash
- 20 Agitate
- 21 Window section
- 22 Orange cover
- 25 Highlands girl
- 26 Fit
- 28 Potentially dangerous
- 30 Like fresh celery
- 31 Signs a lease
- 33 Mountain goat
- 34 Comic Rudner
- 35 Abound
- 36 Back at sea
- 37 Scottish river
- 38 Poorly lit

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Patriotic ballet on Saturday at M.K. Brown



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Above, Pampa Civic Ballet "Serenade" dancers (not in order) Brooke Woelfle, Marlee Richardson, Jana Shults, Bailey Read, Dacie McGill, Amy Kotara, Adeline Little and Gracie Little. Right, graduating senior Bailey Read.

SUBMITTED

Dance Academy of Pampa Presents "United We Dance" at 6 p.m., Saturday, May 18 at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium.

The show will feature the patriotic ballet "Stars and Stripes" as well as many patri-

otic themed Jazz and Tap dances. The Pampa Civic Ballet will be performing Balanchines Ballet "Serenade." The show features performers from age 3 to adult. Tickets can be purchased at the door, from academy dancers or by calling 806-663-9103.

Spring Crops Ag Day set for May 22 at North Plains Research Field

SUBMITTED BY TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION

ETTER — Wheat freeze damage and wheat-related research will be the highlights of the Spring Crops Ag Day on May 22 at the North Plains Research Field near Etter.

The field day is hosted by Texas A&M AgriLife Research, the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, North Plains Groundwater Conservation District and Texas Wheat Producers Board.

The program will begin with registration at 9 a.m. and will include the following presentations:

- Area wheat freeze damage, Dr. Calvin Trostle, AgriLife Extension, Lubbock.
- Drought tolerance research and irrigation level study,

- Seed availability, Steve Brown, Texas A&M Foundation Seed Service, Vernon.
- Statewide Small Grain Extension Program, Dr. Clark Neely and Dr. Travis Miller, AgriLife Extension, College Station.
- Lunch will be provided and accompanied by updates on the North Plains Research Field activities, Texas Wheat Producer Board and North Plains Groundwater Conservation District. Additionally, Dr. Steve Amosson, AgriLife Extension economist in Amarillo, will present "Panhandle Regional Water Planning: Ag water demands."
- Three Texas Agriculture Department continuing education credits will be offered for private pesticide applicators in integrated pest management.

Thornberry wants answers from Treasury Secretary on IRS targeting scandal

WASHINGTON, D.C.- Saying that this kind of "misuse of power cannot be tolerated," U.S. Congressman Mac Thornberry (R-Clarendon) is demanding answers from the Obama Administration following the revelation that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) had unfairly targeted conservative leaning organizations for additional scrutiny over a period of a couple of years.

In a strongly-worded letter to Treasury Secretary Jack Lew, Thornberry outlined a number of tough questions about the management of the agency now and in the future.

"It is absolutely unacceptable for the IRS to target organizations for additional audits based on their political affiliations or ideology," Thornberry said. "There should be zero tolerance for such behavior, especially by the IRS, which wields such considerable power and will soon be giv-

en more power as it begins to enforce and implement the President's new health care law in January."

On Friday, officials at the IRS admitted some conservative groups that had sought tax exempt status had been targeted for additional scrutiny because their names contained the words "tea party" or "patriot."

Some other conservative organizations were also singled out for making statements about reducing the size of government, educating Americans on the Constitution and Bill of Rights, or speaking out against the Affordable Care Act, commonly referred to as "Obamacare."

"I think there is outrage on both sides of the aisle about these disturbing revelations. The actions taken by the IRS in these circumstances violate some of the most intrinsic values and rights that are in our Constitution," said Thornberry.

"Maybe instead of targeting groups that seek to educate Americans about our Founding Documents, the bureaucrats at the IRS should spend more time reading the Bill of Rights and Constitution."

Cash for road repair in shale areas proves elusive

By AMAN BATHEJA
The Texas Tribune

As he looks at the calendar, DeWitt County Judge Daryl Fowler is getting nervous.

Fowler is among a group of officials in the Eagle Ford Shale area who are lobbying lawmakers for money to address the rural South Texas region's roads, many of which have been pummeled by drilling activity. With about a month left before the legislative session ends, he and others fear the push for funding has stalled.

"We're not looking for state-highway-quality roads," Fowler said. "We've just got to armor them up and keep them safe."

The Texas Department of Transportation has estimated that maintaining infrastructure impacted by the drilling boom will cost \$4 billion a year. Advocates are urging lawmakers to tap the state's Rainy Day Fund to help repair — and, in some cases, widen — roads in the counties where drilling is most active. This week, the Senate unanimously passed Senate Joint Resolution 1, which would ask voters to approve spending \$5.7 billion from the fund, including \$2.9 billion for transportation debt. But little, if any, of that money is likely to go toward repairing roads in areas hit hardest by the drilling boom.

Bringing a gas well into production requires more than

1,000 loaded trucks traveling to and from a well site, the equivalent of 8 million cars, according to TxDOT. In two drilling hotspots, the Eagle Ford Shale in South Texas and the Permian Basin in West Texas, crumbling asphalt and widening potholes are becoming more common, county officials say.

Vehicular accidents are also surging, in part because many of the roads are too narrow to safely handle the convoys of trucks driving over them to reach wells.

A recent report by the Texas Department of Public Safety identified a rise in crashes, particularly those involving commercial vehicles, in the areas at the center of the drilling boom. In the three Eagle Ford Shale counties where drilling is most active, the number of crashes involving commercial vehicles rose 470 percent between 2009 and 2011. In the 17 counties that make up the Permian Basin, fatal car crashes involving commercial vehicles have nearly tripled from 14 in 2010 to 41 in 2012.

Energy firms have also complained about having limited access to wells as roads have become nearly impassable.

"If we allow these roads to continue to deteriorate, we could kill the goose that lays the golden egg," Sen. Carlos Uresti, D-San Antonio, said in a statement. "The oil boom cannot be sustained if we don't give counties a way to maintain these roads."

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