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Burnin' the Bricks results

By JOHN LEE
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The 11th Annual Burning the Bricks Car Show hosted by the High Plains Cruisers Car Club was held this past Saturday in downtown Pampa. The results are as follows:

- Antique Car**
 First place, Linda Pittman with her 1906 Buick; second place, Hop Hopkins with the 1925 Ford and third place was Rick Lehman with his 1935 Ford.
- Pre-1949 street rod**
 First place, Danny Carlyle with the 1941 Ford; second place, Ken Allen with the 1931 Ford and third place was Gary Field with his 1929 Ford.
- 1949-1960 custom rod**
 Ricky Granadoz took first place with his 1952 Chevrolet pickup. Savannah Van Houten and Gregg Fleming tied for second with a 1956 Chevrolet and 1952 Chevrolet respectively. In third was Tom Gidds with his 1950 Chevrolet.
- 1961 and up custom rod**
 John Chesner won with his 1970 Chevrolet and Chad Winkleblack placed second with his 1982 Jeep.
- Pre-1960 original restored**
 Jimmie Clark took first with his 1958 Pontiac and Tom Turner took second with his 1951 Oldsmobile. Ken Gipson took third with his 1951 Ford.



Photo by John Lee
 Rick Granadoz took Best of Show with his 1952 Chevy pickup.

Statewide gas price average rises six cents

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IRVING – The average price for a gallon of regular unleaded gasoline in Texas is now \$3.50, according to the AAA Texas Weekend Gas Watch. That price is six cents higher than one week ago but 17 cents lower than the national average of \$3.67. Of the major metropolitan areas surveyed in Texas, drivers in Dallas are paying the most at \$3.57 per gallon while drivers in Corpus Christi are paying the least at \$3.41 per gallon.

Gas prices often decline in June, and in fact, the national average fell in June during the previous three years. However, analysts say recent turmoil in Iraq is likely to prevent that trend from repeating this year. AAA Texas encourages drivers to maximize their fuel efficiency with the following tips:

- Keep vehicle maintained according

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A stop on the Water and Garden Tour

■ The 17th annual Water and Garden Tour, sponsored by the Las Pampas Koi and Water Garden Society, will be held June 28.

By LINDSEY TOMASCHIK
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Lance and his wife Brooke DeFever have been in their home for about 21 years now, and they have been working to get their yard to where it is today since the mid-1990s.

"This whole backyard originally was just all grass. There wasn't anything back here, and then we just little by little did this and did that," Lance said.

He joked that it seems like they have redone everything three or four times, but looking at it now, a person would never be able to tell.

"We got started on the ponds in '94," he added.

At that time, the DeFever put in a small stock pond with some fish, and it just grew from there. The biggest pond Lance has installed in his backyard was 5,000 gallons.

"It was like five feet deep, and it was just a huge pond with huge koi," he said.

Eventually it was taking a lot of upkeep, so they ended up leveling the pond.

"That lasted for about a year and then we ended up missing our water plants and some little fish," Lance said.

That was when they made the decision to build a smaller, above-ground pond so they could have their water plants again and it would be less maintenance.

Other more recent additions to the backyard include an arbor (which houses an outdoor kitchen) and a macaw habitat for the family birds. The DeFever have also added some raised gardens for vegetables, which they plant every year and Lance said Brooke is constantly crafting new ideas for decorations.

"We're out here just about every evening now," Lance said.

Throughout the years, the DeFever garden has featured several different types of

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Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik

The DeFever have made many changes to their backyard throughout the years. To see for yourself how far it has come, stop by during the twilight portion of the Water and Garden Tour on Saturday, June 28 from 7:30-11 p.m.

PAMPA PATRIOTS CELEBRATE FATHER'S DAY WITH WIN



Submitted photo
 The dads of the Pampa Patriots got a nice gift over the weekend in the form of a tournament win. The Patriots won the 2014 Fathers Day Tournament in Elk City, Okla. over Father's Day Weekend. Pictured, front row, from left, Jacobi Carroll, Rhett Hill, Jade Ward, Hunter Dyer and Michael Campos. Middle, Troy Perez, Brekyn Gaines, Hunter Nichols, Cayson Steward and Brady Brother-ton. Back, Brandon Hill and Jason Dyer.

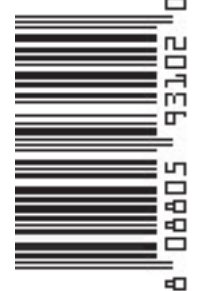
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Garden

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plants and flowers, and Lance said that they have begun to stick to a lot of perennial plants that come back every year so that they don't have to do so much annual replanting.

"We used to plant a ton of stuff every year that didn't come back, and now we have some honeysuckle and some hardy hibiscus," he said of the garden's current state. "Then we have lots of ground covers and things like that, which are more low maintenance."

The backyard, which now has a number of large trees, originally did not have any.

"When we first moved here, there weren't any trees out here, and we planted all these trees. Now, they're at the point where they provide some

good shade, but for the longest time we were just sitting out here in the sun," Lance said.

The DeFever garden, located at 2415 Evergreen, will be featured in the twilight portion of the Water and Garden Tour, and Lance said he made this decision not only because it's cooler in the evenings, but also because the outdoor lighting makes his yard look completely different at night.

The Water and Garden Tour is a come and go event that is open to the public and free of charge. Donations are accepted and proceeds will go toward community projects. The tour will be held June 28 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. for the day tour and 7:30-11 p.m. for the twilight tour.

A full list of gardens featured on the tour will be published in the Friday, June 27 edition of The Pampa News.

Results

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1961-1975 original restored

Jerrad Reames too first with his 1967 Chevelle 396. Brad Higby took second with his 1965 T-Bird and Ricky Mills took third with his 1961 Chevrolet.

1976-1999 original restored

Mike Tennon took first with his 1976 Chrysler. Chris Thompson took second with his 1984 Ford Mustang and Shane Henderson took third with his 1992 Camaro.

Pre-1999 original restored

Andrew and Chad Von Houten took first with their 1998 Trans Am. William Hazelkoff took second with his 1964 Chrysler and Patricia Roach took third with her 1966 Pontiac.

In the 1955-57 Chevrolet

Danny Hoggart was the lone placement in the category in first with his 1955 Chevrolet.

Rat Rod

Sid Segura took first with his 1930 Ford. John Wingert took second with his 1947 Chevrolet and Kevin Woods took third with his 1985 Chevrolet.

Orphan (all-years)

Gary Clark with his 1958 Volkswagen. Dave Fain

took second with his 1967 Triumph and Wynona Seeley took third with her 1950 Hudson.

All Corvettes

Greg Harder with his 2014 Corvette took first. Kevin Hernandez took second with his 2000 Corvette. Forrest Plunk's Corvette took third.

1967-73 Camaro

John Cheshner's 1967 Camaro took first. Mary Finsterwald took second with her 1969 Camaro and Jeff Clark took third with his 1969 Chevrolet Camaro SS.

Pre-1973 Chevrolet Muscle Car

Billy Barker took first with his 1970 Chevrolet. Lonnie Shelton took second with his 1969 Chevrolet.

Pre-1973 other GM Muscle Car

Lonnie Shelton took first and second with his 1967 Oldsmobile and 1967 Pontiac, respectively. In third, Lavanah Estes had a 1967 GTO.

Pre-1973 Mopar Muscle Car

Mike Price took first with his 1966 Dodge and Lonnie Shelton took second with his 1967 Dodge.

Pre-1973 Ford Muscle Car

Sonny Halpin took first with his 1971 Ranchero. Raymond Swaney took second with his 1965 Ford and Karli Douglas took third

with a 1967 Ford Mustang.

Modern Muscle Car

William Ma took first and second with his 2008 Dodge Viper and 2005 Noble, respectively. Ben Padgett took third with his 2002 Ford.

Pre-1950 antique truck

JW Barry took first. Fred Martin took second with his 1929 Ford and Randy Swires took third with his 1947 Ford.

1950-72 classic truck

Ron Knapp took first with his 1953 Chevy. Jesus Barrack took second with his 1969 Chevy. Larry Fisk took third with his 1966 Chevy.

1973-1999 modern truck

Rhett Hardin took first with his 1986 Chevy pickup. Kevin and Kade Woods took second with their 1992 Chevy pickup. R & R and Sons Salvage took third with their 1986 Ford pickup.

Original truck

In first was Wood Wells with his 2005 SSR. Richard Matthew took second with his 1948 Chevy pickup. Larry Ray took third with his 1966 Chevy pickup.

Custom truck

Jim Yodrt took first with his 1952 Ford pickup. Kenneth Ray took second with his 1950 Ford pickup.

All years convertible

Marvin Urbanczyk took first with his 2014 convertible. Steve and Terra Sealey

took second with their 1987 Cadillac.

Special interest

Jim Moyer took first with his 1963 Dodge. Nancy Swaney took second with her 1956 T-Bird. Charlie Hill took third with his 1948 Chevy.

Race cars

Billy Barker took first with his 1984 Monte Carlo. Chad Winkleback took second with his 1999 Chevy. Mike McCombs took third with his 1955 Bel-Air.

Any car 2000 and up

Richard Burton took first with his 2012 Jeep. Corinie Manzanera took second with their 2009 Pontiac. Billy Brown took third with his 2012 Challenger.

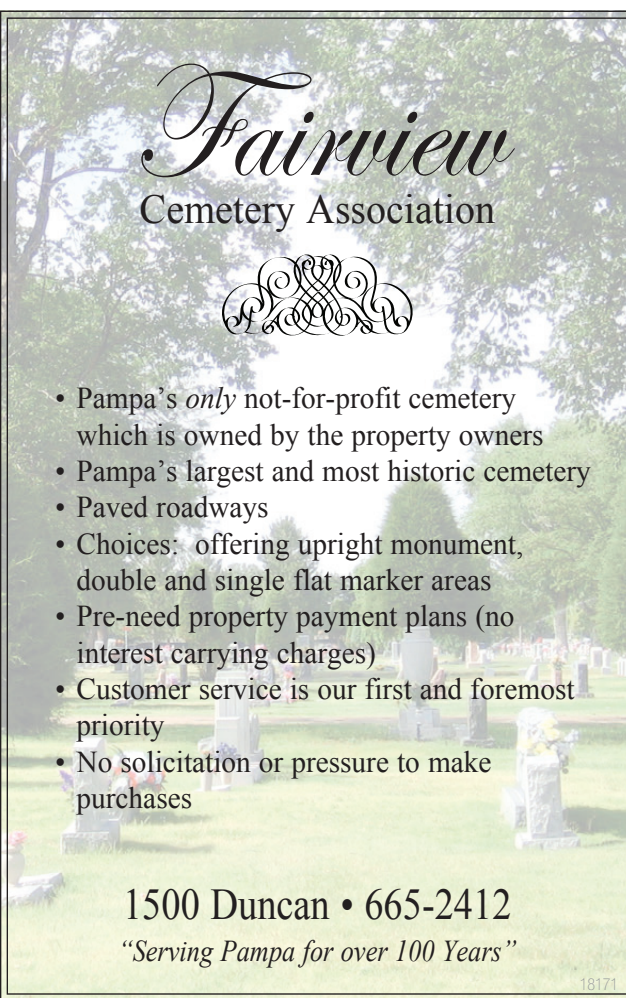
Any truck 2000 and up

Scott Martin took first with his 2015 Chevy. David Ibarra took second with his 2003 Hummer and Brodie Peters took third with 2011 Ford.

Best of Show

Rick Granadoz took Best of Show with his 1952 Chevy pickup. The Cruisers Choice award went to Jimmie Clark and his 1958 Pontiac.

There were 144 cars and trucks on display. 115 cars and trucks total went on the cruise. Randy Stubblefield of the High Plains Cruisers Car Club said the event was bigger than last year and that the burnout being canceled didn't hurt attendance.



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• If you own more than one vehicle, use the more energy-conserving model when possible.

- Use air conditioning conservatively. Use "economy" or "recirculate" feature, if available.
- Watch for lower fuel prices, but don't waste gas driving far to save a few cents.
- Maintain steady speeds when driving.
- Avoid quick starts and sudden stops.
- Travel at moderate

speeds on the open road. Higher speeds require more fuel.

"We don't know for sure if prices will continue to rise, but we do know following these simple tips will help drivers save money at the pumps," said AAA Texas/New Mexico Representative Doug Shupe. "The type of car you drive, how it's maintained, and how you drive significantly affect fuel conservation."

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Tonight: Partly cloudy with a low of 66. Chance of rain: 20 percent. Winds south at 16 mph. Sunset at 9:02 p.m.

Saturday: Partly cloudy with a high of 93. Winds south at 18 mph. Sunrise at 6:29 a.m.

Saturday night: Partly cloudy with a low of 67. Chance of rain: 10 percent. Winds south at 13 mph. Sunset at 9:03 p.m.

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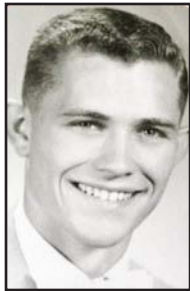
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Obituaries

Tommy Ray Darling

Tommy Ray Darling, 78, died on May 24, 2014 in Grand Prairie.

Cremation arrangements were made by Garden Gate Funeral Home and Cremation in Ft. Worth.



Tommy Ray Darling

Tommy was born on Sept. 29, 1936 to Glenn and Vera Darling. He graduated from Pampa High School in 1955 and served in the U.S. Navy for 9 years as a Navy jet mechanic. He was married to Sue Bryant-Darling of Grand Prairie. Tommy also owned Darling Aviation of Ft. Worth and worked at Meecham Field.

Tommy was preceded in death by his parents Glenn and Vera Darling; a daughter, Teresa Wallace and two grandchildren, Rhea and Kenzie Wallace.

Survivors include two daughters, Diana Darling of New York City and Kathy Nadeau and husband Jason of Costa Mesa, Calif.; a son David Darling and wife Dionne of Arlington; siblings Suzie and Gerald Sikes of McKinney, Cindy and J.D. Carr of Fritch, Don Darling of Seattle, Danny Darling of Austin and Patrick Darling and wife Donna of Pampa and four grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held for Tommy at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, June 20, 2014 at 2242 Ivanhoe Circle in Grand Prairie.

In lieu of memorials, the family is requesting that memorials be made to Vitas Hospice or to a favorite charity.

Agnes Optia Craig

Agnes Optia Craig, 99, died June 18, 2014 in Borger. Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 21, 2014, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Rev. Barry Owens, associate pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating.



Agnes Optia Craig

Graveside services will be at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, at Tell Baptist Cemetery in Tell, Texas, under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Craig was born March 7, 1915 in Garland, Okla. She was married by her father, Rev. C.C. Warford, to Norman Wallace Craig on Dec. 3, 1932 in Lefors. He preceded her in death on Jan. 27, 1983. She came to Pampa

in 1946, moving from Tell, Texas. She moved to Iraan, Texas in 1950, returning to Pampa in 1984. Agnes was a member of the First Baptist Church and the Sunshiner's Club. She was preceded in death by five sisters and four brothers, and her parents.

Survivors include a sister, Lorene Husmann of Springfield, Mo.; two brothers, David C. Warford of Springfield, Mo., and Fred Warford of Muskogee, Okla.; and numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, and great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews.

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

Sign the online guest register at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

Norma Jeanne Sims

Norma Jeanne Sims, 83, of Lefors, died June 18, 2014 in Pampa.

Graveside services will be at 4 p.m. Saturday, June 21, 2014, at Memorial Heights Cemetery in Lefors, with David White officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mrs. Sims was born Aug. 5, 1930 in Winfield, Kan. She had been a resident of Lefors since 1941, graduating from Lefors High School. Jeanne married Harold Sims on Aug. 17, 1948. She enjoyed cooking, quilting, fishing and reading. She loved spending time with her children and grandchildren. Jeanne was a member of the United Methodist Church of Lefors for many years. She was preceded in death by her parents, Bud and Nellie Staley; and a great-granddaughter, Kayte Jeanne Morton.

Survivors include her husband of more than 65 years, Harold Sims, of the home; a daughter, Cheryl Butler and husband Jimmy of Winters; a son, Hal Sims and wife Mignon of Ruidoso, N.M.; a sister, Joann Cobe-ly of Bentonville, Ark.; three grandchildren, Jeanna Morton, Coby Sims and Jason Butler; and two great-grandchildren, Jace Ann Morton and Jake Alan Morton.

Memorials may be made to the Lefors Volunteer EMS, P.O. Box 361, Lefors, Texas 79054.

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California man arrested for drug possession

STAFF REPORT

Wesley Stewart Posney, 25, Bakersfield, Calif., was arrested Wednesday by the Department of Public Safety for pos-

session of a controlled substance — less than 28 grams.

Gordan Wade Ragan, 17, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by the Pampa Police Department for

possession of marijuana — less than two ounces.

Dee Ann Strickland, 35, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by the Gray County Sheriff's Office for theft of services — be-

tween \$500 and \$1,500.

Ryan Blake Torres, 26, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by PPD for two charges of assault causing bodily injury.

Minimum wage debate pits cities against states

ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — Dominique Mayfield makes \$8.25 an hour washing dishes and busing tables at a Syracuse brewpub. Shantel Walker makes \$8.50 an hour at her pizzeria in New York City, where the rent is more than double what it is in Syracuse. Two very different cities, but nearly the same wage.

The economic differences between America's big cities and elsewhere have prompted leaders in Seattle, New York City, Chicago, San Francisco, Oklahoma City and other cities to push to raise the minimum wage within their borders.

The efforts are running into opposition from state lawmakers from both parties and business groups who say a patchwork of minimum wages could lead to a confusing and unequal business climate in which labor costs would vary dramatically from city to city.

The minimum wage has emerged as perhaps the top issue of a newly emboldened, urban liberal movement that in many places is led not by governors or state lawmakers, but by local leaders backed by organized fast-food workers. After years of grappling with state and federal budget cuts, mayors and city councils are pushing back against state and federal officials who they say don't understand the income inequality of 21st-century American cities.

"So many people have been pushed out of this city," said Seattle City Councilman Nick Licata, who successfully pushed to raise the city's wage to \$15, more than \$5 higher than the state wage. "Local politicians don't have the luxury of not doing something. The state and federal governments, they've been AWOL. They haven't been engaged."

The fight to raise minimum wages has lawmakers in many states on the defensive, arguing that higher wages will lead to reductions in hours and jobs for low-income workers — and retail price increases that are likely to hit them hardest. The business-backed American Legislative Exchange Council argues that local minimum wages could

lead to a race to the bottom, where businesses locate in whatever city within a region has the lowest starting wage.

"This is a debate that's happening around the country, and although it's well intended, it's misguided," said Cara Sullivan, a minimum wage policy expert at ALEC. "In Seattle they raised it to \$15, and right across the city line it's \$5 less. It increases the cost of doing business for businesses in that city. You're creating chaos from one business to the next."

Members of the city council in Providence, Rhode Island, considered raising the minimum wage from \$8 to \$15, but only for workers in the city's large hotels. In response, the Democratic leaders of the Rhode Island General Assembly have moved to block the proposal by taking away cities' authority to set local minimums.

Oklahoma Gov. Mary Fallin, a Republican, signed legislation in April that prohibits cities from setting their own wage after organized labor groups suggested that Oklahoma City raise its wage from \$7.25 an hour — the federal minimum — to \$10.10.

B.J. Marsh, a single mother in a suburb of Oklahoma City, says the \$7.25 she makes requires her to choose between eating or getting to work. Marsh said her 7-year-old son began living with her father to save on expenses and allow her to work.

"I don't eat because I have to have gas in my car," she said.



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Bereavement and Healing Casket construction

A casket is a vital component of every funeral service. It expresses dignity, respect and integrity, yet serves a more practical purpose as well. A casket is, "a rigid container which is designed for the encasement of human remains and which is usually constructed of wood, metal, or like material, and ornamented and lined with fabric." (Federal Trade Commission, FTC)



TRACY LEE

The FTC, as a definition for a casket, publishes the previous statement. There are often misconceptions regarding caskets. In an attempt to clarify these misconceptions, this article will address the outer or main construction materials that make up a casket, and the purposes thereof.

Caskets are simply boxes that hold human remains. While it is true that different caskets have varying options and levels of functionality, they all share the same basic purpose: encasing human remains.

Caskets are constructed of rigid materials. Rigidity is a vital component of a casket. If the bottom and sides of caskets were not rigid, one would be unable to move the decedent from one place to another proficiently and with dignity.

The rigidity of the casket allows the funeral personnel and pallbearers to transport the decedent to where he or she needs to be in an adequate fashion.

The types of rigid materials used in the construction of caskets vary and each has unique qualities of usefulness. Caskets made of steel, stainless steel, copper or bronze, are very strong. There are various thicknesses of these metals used in casket manufacturing. An important fact to remember is that the smaller the gauge, the thicker the metal. One might ask, "Why does the thickness of metal matter?" I would answer,

"In most cases, it does not." The cases in which it will matter depend on the weight of the decedent and the absence of a vault. If a vault is not used and the thickness of the casket is on the thin side, the casket may crush onto the deceased, under the weight of the earth as it is returned and packed into the ground or possibly at a later date as the metal decays.

Another building material used in the manufacturing of caskets is wood. Wood is beautiful, dignified and warm. Caskets made from wood are the most beautiful of all caskets. They can be carved and stained to any request. A wood casket, however, is almost certain to collapse onto the decedent as the earth is returned into the grave. If it does not, wood will be one of the quickest caskets to decay. Once decay begins, the casket will collapse onto the deceased.

A third building material commonly used in casket manufacturing is cardboard. Some companies may call this material pasteboard or corrugated fiberboard or any other combination of those words, but in reality, these caskets are made of cardboard. The same type of cardboard out of which moving boxes are constructed. It goes without saying, without a vault, this type of casket is going collapsing onto the deceased as the earth is returned to the grave.

A newer composition material used in casket manufacturing is fiberglass. This material can be strong and can last for quite some time. In some cases, fiberglass caskets may resemble steel caskets. In choosing this type of casket, one must use one's best judgment and thoroughly inspect the craftsmanship of the fabricator.

In certain areas of the country, green caskets are gaining in popularity. Green caskets are made from a reed type of material, rather like a willow basket. Of course, one knows that baskets crumple easily; therefore, one may deduce that these caskets will readily collapse onto

the deceased as the earth is returned to the grave. Green caskets are often more expensive than cardboard caskets, yet function within the same parameters. If you are green minded and want to save funds, the cardboard casket, although not nearly as pleasing to the eye, might be your casket of choice.

Perhaps you have walked through a cemetery and noticed certain graves seem to have fallen or sunken by eight or nine inches. The reason a grave collapses is that having given way under the pressure of the earth's weight, the casket has collapsed onto the deceased. These sunken graves most likely did not utilize the stabilizing features of a grave liner or vault. Some caskets may remain intact for several days, some for several months. Copper or bronze caskets, may stay intact beyond several months.

These caskets are rather expensive though, and if one is investing a great amount of money into a casket, one should probably consider protecting that investment with a vault. The fact remains, regardless of the amount of money paid for a casket, without the stabilizing strength of a vault to fortify the grave; your casket will eventually collapse onto the deceased.

Vaults are not required by law, however, some cemeteries may mandate their use. If you have forgone a vault, be aware and mentally prepare for your loved one's grave to collapse in on them, at some point in time. Although optional, a vault is a good investment if you want to preserve the integrity of your loved one's casket.

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The power of 3,607

That's how many people it took to bring down House Majority Leader Eric Cantor, doom immigration reform and leave all but the most tea-sodden Republicans quaking.



SUSAN ESTRICH

No, it wasn't the Democrats who did it. Various complicated analyses of voting patterns confirm what anyone who has ever tried to convince even their own mother to vote "strategically" knows: Voters don't work that way. They may cast their vote to send a message — that happens all the time — but not to execute a strategy that depends on their voting for someone they don't like at all so that someone else they don't like at all won't win.

And it wasn't "low" turnout that did Cantor in, at least compared to normal turnout. No, more people voted in the Republican primary in 2014 than in 2012 — almost 20,000 more. So in 2014, you had just over 65,000 people who voted — and 7,212 more of them voted for a little-known professor over a well-known politician. If half of those people plus one had gone the other way — 3,607 in all — Cantor would have gotten a scare. Another thousand, and no one would be paying attention.

And then there's this: More than 86 percent of the people who were eligible to vote in the primary didn't.

So what you have are a few thousand folks who were clearly angry with their longtime congressman. They obviously weren't thinking about the fact that you're a lot better off, practically speaking, being represented by one of the most powerful people in the House than by a freshman. Nor were they crediting Cantor for all the times he has carried the tea party's water, as it were, playing chicken with the national economy and threatening to take the country over the fiscal cliff. They didn't give him credit for personally blocking a vote to allow those who

serve this country in the military to be eligible for papers. Have I mentioned that Cantor is not a moderate?

This is what has Washington insiders quaking. If this could happen to Cantor, will anyone dare stand up to the tea party?

In fact, this is the first big tea party win of the season. Up until now, the Romney/Bush-backed candidates had been doing just fine, and the establishment was almost beginning to breathe a sigh of relief. But Cantor is (was) a big deal, and that's why the chances of the current House ever voting on any version of immigration reform just collapsed.

Explain that to one of those kids who was brought to this country as a child, grew up here and didn't even know they were "different" from their sisters or brothers who were born here until it came time to apply to college.

How dare Cantor even suggest — because that's all he really did — that we should be able to come up with some way to offer these young people a path to citizenship?

But I don't blame the tea party for killing immigration reform. They voted — all 36,110 of them — which gave David Brat his 7,212-vote edge. But if 7,213 more people had voted... Or if more than 3,606 of those who did had changed their minds...

It's trite to say one vote makes a difference or every vote counts, because this election wasn't even close. But it was tiny, because most of the people who could have voted and might have changed its outcome didn't bother. You can't blame the people who play politics for winning. But in general elections, the numbers tend to play differently, and as the number of Hispanic voters keeps growing, it's likely that the views of a few thousand voters in Virginia could cost Republicans many, many times that number of votes nationally.

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Chris Matthews, meet Chris Matthews

Ronan Farrow, considered the "boy wonder" of cable hosts by MSNBC executives, interviewed his colleague Chris Matthews on June 11 over the stunning primary defeat of Eric Cantor.

Farrow was shocked that the winner, David Brat, had dared to campaign among the tea party rabble, being the professor he is: "Is it rare to see that kind of brazen intellectualism, particularly in populist candidates like this?" Translation: How did he win among knuckle-dragging Virginia racists with that spiel?

In response, Matthews unleashed something almost as unexpected as the Cantor defeat. He came to the tea party's defense. "I don't think you can assume that the liberals are smarter than the conservative professors. I think that's crazy talk," he said. Matthews then doubled down.

"(Brat) can handle any debate on this program or my program. So this looking down our noses at tea party people has got to stop. They have a message, they're as American as any liberal is, and they're really angry of the failure of the system."

What makes this so incredibly bizarre is that Matthews has been routinely, savagely assaulting the tea party for years. We cannot think of anyone in the press more vituperative than this man. It is another day in the office when Matthews sneers/dismisses/insults tea party conservatives, usually in personal terms, with cheap shots.

For example, just two days before the Brat remarks, he condemned Sen. Ted Cruz for being in the "hate wing" of the Texas Republican Party and dismissed Joni Ernst, the conservative U.S. Senate contender from Iowa, as a "hog castrator."

In April, he slammed people questioning the official Obamacare enrollment numbers — including the question about how many "enrolled" people hadn't yet paid a

premium. "What can you say about these guys besides they are health care enrollment truthers right now," Matthews insisted. "It's a new form of birtherism."

In March 2013, Matthews attacked the tea party as racist, xenophobic and homophobic, all in one breath: "Is it like that old dreamy nostalgia you get in the old movies 'Gone With The Wind'? Is it that kind of America they want to bring back or what? When there were no gays, where blacks were slaves, Mexicans were in Mexico. I mean, is this what they want?"

In 2012, he asked leftist writer David Com, just flat out, "Why do tea party crackpots keep winning elections out in the country?"

In 2011, Matthews felt it was fair and accurate to compare the tea party to the terrorist-aligned Muslim Brotherhood as the Republicans competed before the primaries: "So the Muslim Brotherhood has a parallel role here with the tea party."

The same is true of lots of individual tea party heroes, from Rush Limbaugh to

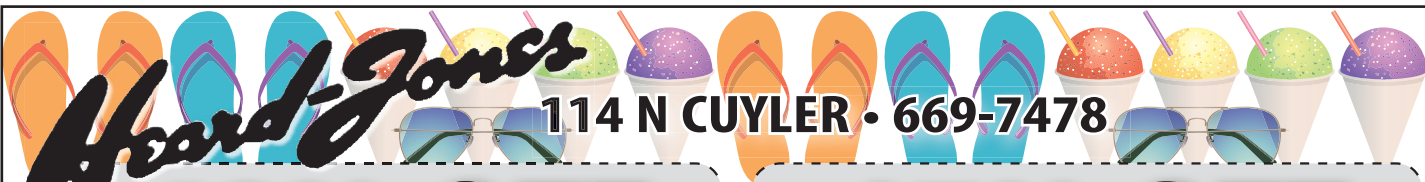
Sarah Palin to Michele Bachmann. Matthews looked forward to Limbaugh being shot: "at some point somebody's going to jam a CO2 pellet into his head and he's going to explode like a giant blimp."

Matthews asked Bachmann: "Are you hypnotized? Has someone put you under a trance tonight? That you give me the same answer no matter what question I put to you?" He cracked repeatedly that Palin wasn't ready for Alex Trebek. "It's unbelievable how little this woman knows! ... Don't put her on 'Jeopardy!'"

So it's understandable that Collyer Farrow would expect Matthews to unleash the typical tirade on Brat and the tea party instead of doing a flip and going on defense. At the end of this schizophrenic episode, he should have said, "Chris Matthews, meet Chris Matthews."

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Entertainment

Amazon is about to jump into smartphones

NEW YORK (AP) — Amazon, a company of seemingly boundless ambition, appears to be venturing into yet another market: smartphones.

The corporate juggernaut that started out with books and soon moved into music, video, cloud computing and Kindle e-readers is hosting a launch event Wednesday in Seattle, and media reports indicate the product will be an Amazon phone — perhaps one with multiple cameras that can produce 3-D photos.

Amazon declined to comment, but analysts said the goal is almost certainly a device designed to get customers to buy more things from Amazon. It might include an Amazon shopping app or other features tied tightly to the products the company sells.

“It’s Amazon. That says to me the core value proposition is going to be about shopping,” said Ramon Llamas of the research firm International Data Corp.

Amazon’s phone comes at a time when the nation’s largest e-commerce company is at a crossroads.

Its stock, which surged for years despite narrow profits, has dropped 18 percent in 2014 to about \$326,

in part because investors have been losing patience with its habit of plowing revenue back into new ventures.

Analysts said the move into smartphones is a bit of a head-scratcher, since the company is a late entrant into the highly competitive market.

For all its success with other products, Amazon will be hard-pressed to compete with Samsung and Apple, the No. 1 and 2 mobile phone companies in the world.

Globally, Samsung led mobile phone manufacturers with 31 percent of the 288 million units shipped in the first quarter, followed by Apple at 15 percent. In the U.S., Apple dominates with more than 37 percent of the 34 million units shipped, with Samsung at close to 29 percent.

Some analysts have speculated that the 3-D feature might tie into an Amazon shopping app. Shoppers might be able to use the phone to take a 3-D picture of a product in a store, then search for the object on Amazon and buy it online.

Analysts said the phone could also come with a data plan that could let owners use Amazon services with-

out using up any data.

“Anything that generates more repeat orders and more frequent purchases is probably part of what they intend to do with this,” said R.W. Baird analyst Colin Sebastian.

To compete, Amazon needs more than an expected 3-D viewing feature, which has been tried before by smartphone makers like HTC and LG, Llamas said.

Competing on price won’t help if it leaves people with the impression that the device is cheaply built, and getting customers to buy a phone without being about to touch it first could prove difficult, he said.

“If they sell it only online, as Amazon sells many of its goods and products, that could be a challenge,” Llamas said.

Here’s a look at the impact Amazon has had in music, video and other markets it has entered:

Books

Amazon.com Inc. started as an online bookstore in 1995 in CEO Jeff Bezos’ garage in Bellevue, Washington. As more and more bookstores have closed, Amazon is now believed to be the nation’s largest bookseller, with an estimated 30 percent of a total book market that PricewaterhouseCoopers estimates

hit \$34.9 billion last year, and 60 percent of an e-book market that PwC pegged at \$7.9 billion.

Mike Shatzkin, founder and CEO of book industry consultancy The Idea Logical Co., said book publishers view Amazon with “a mixture of dependence and fear.”

“They can’t live without Amazon’s sales, and they can’t live with Amazon’s market power,” he said.

Music

Amazon is a major player in music. It has sold compact discs by mail since 1998 and digital downloads since 2007.

Russ Crupnick, managing partner of consulting company MusicWatch, pegs Amazon’s share at 18 percent of the \$2.8 billion digital download market in the U.S. last year and 23 percent of the \$2.1 billion market for CDs. In comparison, Apple’s iTunes commands about 67 percent of digital downloads and doesn’t sell CDs. Amazon is the only competitor to Apple of any real size.

Amazon last week launched a music streaming service that makes more than 1 million tracks available to members of its \$99-a-year Amazon Prime subscription plan.

Tablets

Amazon took over the e-book market soon after its first Kindle was launched in 2007. It took a big step by introducing its full-color Kindle Fire tablet in 2011, with a price starting at \$199 and a screen just 7 inches diagonally.

“At the time, none of the other vendors had something similar,” said Jitesh Ubrani, an IDC analyst.

But since then, others have matched the size and price, especially Samsung, which has made big gains. Amazon’s share of global shipments has slid from more than 7 percent in 2012 to 2 percent in the first quarter of the year.

“Other vendors have cheaper, better products,” Ubrani said.

Movies and TV shows

Amazon is a large retailer of DVDs and Blu-ray discs and also offers online rentals and purchases of digital video products.

Amazon has 15 percent of the \$1.8 billion U.S. market for movie and TV show rentals and downloads, trailing Apple’s 58 percent, according to Dan Cryan, an analyst with market research firm IHS.

As for subscription video streaming, Cryan estimates Amazon accounted for 15 percent of the 43.6 mil-

lion active U.S. subscribers of streaming video plans through its Prime Instant Video service. Netflix accounted for 73 percent of active streaming subscribers, while Hulu Plus had 12 percent.

Cloud services

Amazon essentially created the marketplace for what is known as cloud infrastructure as a service in 2006 with Amazon Web Services. That is where it allows its servers to be used by third parties to host the data and applications they need to run mobile apps, websites and other services.

As the overwhelming market leader, Amazon maintains five times the computing capacity of the next 14 service providers combined, according to Gartner analyst Lydia Leong. Amazon is aggressive with price cuts and innovation, which will probably keep competitors like Microsoft from catching up for years, Leong said.

Overall retail

Amazon sold \$40.8 billion worth of goods in North America last year. That’s 17 percent of all e-commerce, according to Anne Zybowski, vice president of retail insights at research firm Kantar Retail.

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Chelsea Clinton hasn't been on NBC for 4 months

NEW YORK (AP) — Chelsea Clinton — under scrutiny for her pricey contract with NBC News — hasn't been featured since January, but the network says it does expect two completed stories to air soon, and two others are in the works.



Chelsea Clinton

Bill and Hillary Clinton's daughter, who was hired in 2011, has done just a smattering of reporting for NBC News. Last week, Politico reported she is being paid \$600,000 a year. Politico also said the 34-year-old, who is expecting her first child later this year, is now on a month-to-month contract that would ease her departure should her mother decide to run for president in 2016.

The news division would not go into detail about Clinton's contract or her work when contacted by The Associated Press. A Clinton spokesman, Karyl Bazbaz, referred questions to NBC.

NBC News has aired two stories by Chelsea Clinton so far in 2014, both on education programs targeting the underprivileged that were shown on “Nightly News” in January. NBC indicated, however, that Clinton has done two stories that are expected to air on “Nightly News” shortly and two others for which filming has been scheduled.

Clinton is also busier with outside work, reportedly taking a more active role in her parents' foundation, and NBC wanted to avoid the appearance of a conflict by having her on the air around the time Hillary Clinton was doing a round of media interviews about her new book.

Clinton began work at the network in November 2011. She was the second presidential daughter to get work at NBC; Jenna Bush Hager, daughter of George W. Bush, is a “Today” show correspondent. Besides

“Nightly News,” Clinton was hired to do stories for Brian Williams’ “Rock Center” newsmagazine, which has since been canceled.

Clinton profiled designer Stella McCartney and author Judy Blume for “Rock Center” and also did a cringeworthy voiceover “interview” with the Geico gecko. Much of her work falls under the umbrella of NBC’s “Making a Difference” stories, about various efforts to make communities better.

She’s done stories on the Maya Angelou Academy, a school program for jailed teenagers; a restaurant chain that donates leftover food to the needy; a Rhode Island school program where teachers at public and charter schools swap ideas; and an Arkansas tutoring program.

Her “Nightly News” stories this year were about a “homework diner” in New Mexico that feeds free meals to schoolchildren and their families, and a boxing gym in Detroit where youngsters must prove they’ve done their schoolwork to put on the gloves.

“She has a niche on the ‘Nightly News’ profiling philanthropic, volunteer and community service programs, often in praise of these groups,” news consultant Andrew Tyndall, who monitors the content of network evening news programs, said Wednesday.

“She puts herself in the center of these groups’ activities. It’s a cheerleader style of reporting.”

Bush’s daughter seems genuinely interested in being a television journalist, while that doesn’t appear to be the case with Clinton, Tyndall said.

Bush Hager interviewed President Barack Obama about fatherhood for a “Today” story that aired earlier this month, and Michelle Obama this winter about the first lady’s healthy living initiatives. She’s also interviewed Jordyn Sparks and reported on school curriculum efforts recently.

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School board meetings

The Pampa Independent School District board meets at 5:45 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month at the new administration building on North Hobart Street.

Immunization clinic 3 times a month

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) hosts an immunization clinic in Pampa three times a month. The clinics are held from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 3 p.m. on the first three Wednesdays of each month. The first 10 people in line for the morning and first 10 in the afternoon will always receive shots. However, if there are more than 10, they still may be able to accommodate the patients, or ask them to come back at another time. For more information, call 665-4752 or 806-874-3211. The clinic is located at 736 S. Cuyler St.

PAWS meets first Tuesdays

Pampa Animal Welfare Society meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Pampa Animal Shelter, 811 S. Hobart St. The meetings are at 6:30 p.m. and are open to the public.

There is a desperate need for more members. PAWS members are needed to work at the shelter from 3 to 5:30 p.m. each day and to work adoption days or take animals to the vets when needed, but mostly people are needed to love and work with the animals where they will be more adoptable.

For more information, call the shelter after 3 p.m. at 669-5775 and ask for the PAWS volunteer.

County Commission meetings

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

TOT Republican Women's Club

Top O' Texas Republican Women's Club meets at noon on the third Wednesday of every month at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis St. For more information call 806-669-1990.

Jam sessions every Friday night

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

Meredith House presents live music

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

Monday night dance club

The Monday night dance club meets from 7 to 9 p.m., each Monday, in the Pampa Chamber of

Commerce building on the corner of Ballard and Kingsmill. Admission is \$3.50. Cold drinks and coffee are offered. The club plays country music. For more information, call Della at 806-663-1136.

PPQG Meets fourth Thursdays

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild meets the fourth Thursday of each month, January through October, at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center at 500 W. Francis St.

The meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. and membership is open to adult quilters of all ages. Dues are \$15 annually. Meetings consist of a short business discussion followed by a program featuring quilting techniques. For more information, call 806-662-2909.

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

■ **Victims of domestic violence and sexual assault**, meet at 6 p.m., Thursdays, starting June 26 at the Tralee Crisis Center, 308 S. Cuyler St. For more info, call the Center at 806-669-1131.

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

■ **Cancer Support** meets from 12-1 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Central Baptist Church. For more info, contact Beth Kean at 800-274-4673

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

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous** Primary Purpose meets daily at noon and 8 p.m. at 112 W. Foster Ave.

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous** Keep It Simple meets Thursdays at 6 p.m. at the Methodist church in White Deer.

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

■ **Accolade Home Care** sponsors a **Parkinson's Support Group** the second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. The group meets at Accolade at 1313 N. Hobart St. For more information, call Lindsey Been at 806-665-9700 or 806-324-3230.

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■ Ranger veterans showing leadership to get back where they need to be.

By ZAC GREEN
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The Texas Rangers had a much better week this past week than the week previous to it. The week wasn't the best as they went 3-3, but when you consider the fact they played six road games against division opponents it is a small win to accept for now as they continue to try to climb back in the race for the AL West.

I was very impressed with Nick Tepesch's performance on Friday as were I am sure of many other Ranger fans. He pitched exactly like I said he would need to for the Rangers to have any hope of beating the Mariners ace, Felix Hernandez. If he can consistently perform on this level then I think the Rangers have got their No.2 guy in the rotation for No.3 when Derek Holland returns. Tepesch went six and a third and only allowed two hits. The bullpen wasn't about to blow his great performance as Jason Frasier, Shawn Tolleson and Joaquin Soria went the final two and two thirds without allowing a single base runner for the Mariners. No hits, no walks. The Rangers only mustered four hits against Hernandez, but one of those hits made the difference. Elvis Andrus was huge. He singled to center, then stole second and then stole third base as well. Andrus put himself in sacrifice RBI position. One of the best hitters in the game in Adrian Beltre came up to the plate and when big hitters see a chance to get an RBI their mouths salivate. Beltre delivered hitting into a fielder's choice and plating the go ahead run in Andrus. That would be the final score: Rangers 1, Mariners 0.

On back-to-back nights the Rangers scored one run in the top of the ninth inning that would be the difference in the ballgame. This time there were two outs and Luis Sardinas on second base for Leonys Martin. There was no chance of a sacrifice, the only way to

plate the runner was to get a base hit. Martin delivered and the Rangers went on to defeat the Mariners with the final score: Rangers 4, Mariners 3. Joe Saunders was brilliant on the mound for Texas, going six innings and only allowing two runs. Tolleson was shaky from the pen as he allowed a run in only a third inning of work, but Neal Cotts and Soria would shut them down from then on. Martin was 2-4 in the game with just one RBI but it was the big one. He also stole two bases in the game. Robinson Chirinos was 2-4 with two RBIs and a run scored. He homered in the ball game.

The Rangers were hoping to pull the sweep of the Mariners but Hisashi Iwakuma was having none of that. He went eight innings and only allowed one run from the Rangers offense. Nick Martinez pitched a lot better than he has been lately going six innings and allowing two runs. Unfortunately for Martinez, Robbie Ross had yet another bad outing from the bullpen, allowing three runs in one inning. Since going to the bullpen from the starting rotation Ross has allowed 12 runs in 12 innings of work. That is exactly why he was sent back down to the triple-A Round Rock team on Tuesday to work on his form. Brad Snyder was the lone bright spot from the Rangers offense going 2-3 with a run and an RBI. Final Score: Mariners 5, Rangers 1.

Things didn't get any easier as the Rangers started a three game series on Monday with Oakland. Both starting pitchers were just about worthless in this one with a combined 12 runs allowed in a combined nine innings of work. Ross came in again for the Rangers and allowed two more runs from the bullpen before being sent down to triple-A the next day. Tolleson was a little shaky allowing a run also from the bullpen but Cotts, Frasier and Ben Rowen would shut the A's down

from then on. The Rangers offense was on Monday night. Dan Robertson was 2-6 with an RBI and a run scored as well as a double in the game. Andrus was 2-5 with an RBI, a double and two runs scored. Beltre had three RBIs with a double in the game. Donnie Murphy was 2-4 with two HRs, three RBIs and two runs scored. Chirinos was 3-5 with a HR, three RBIs and two runs scored. Michael Choice was 1-3 with a HR, two RBIs and two runs scored. Rougned Odor was 3-5 with a run scored. Final Score: Rangers 14, Athletics 8.

The Athletics are the Achilles' heel of Yu Darvish. He never seems to be able to beat them as this was his eighth straight defeat against Oakland. He allowed seven runs, four earned, in five innings of work. Tolleson allowed another run from the pen as well as two more allowed by Frasier. Aaron Poreda, Cotts, and Scott Baker pitched scoreless frames for the Rangers from the pen. Beltre was 2-3 with an RBI. Odor was 2-4 with a triple, HR, three RBIs, and two runs scored. Andrus was 2-4 with a double and a run scored. Final Score: Athletics 10, Rangers 6.

Wednesday's series finale was the rubber match to see who would come out on top as the series victors. And unfortunately for Ranger fans Tepesch was on the bump again. Once again he proves he is inconsistent and can't follow up his stellar performance against the Mariners. He allowed four runs in five innings of work. Thankfully Baker came in from the pen and provided a solid three innings of shutout baseball. The Rangers didn't pitch in the 9th inning due to the fact the game was over after Texas failed to tie or take the lead in the top of the 9th. Shin Soo-Choo was 2-4 with two RBIs. Alex Rios had a double. But Texas just couldn't get anything going against **RANGERS** cont. on page 14

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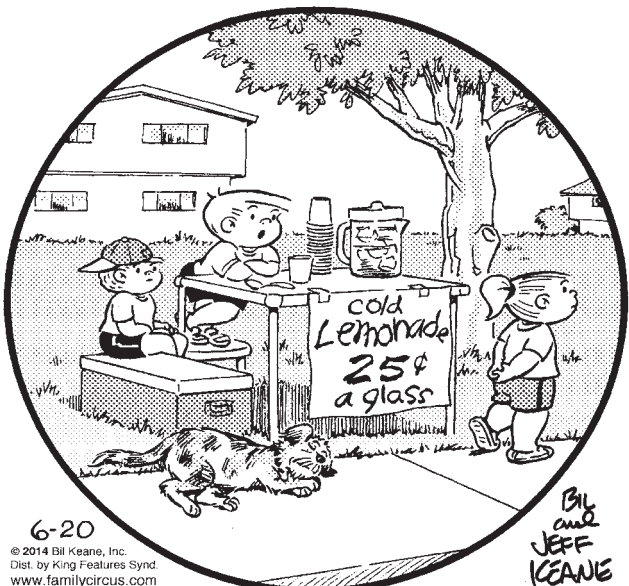
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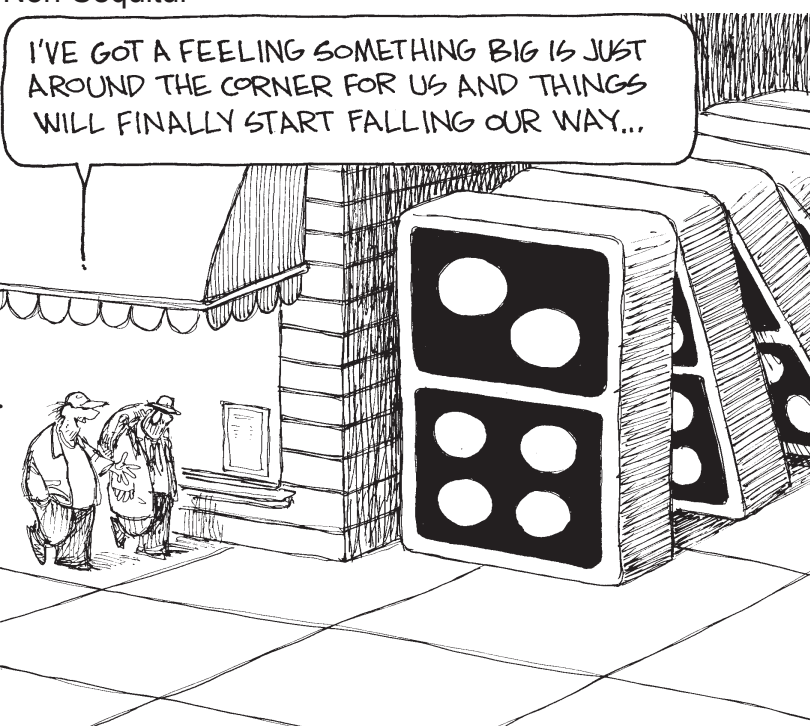
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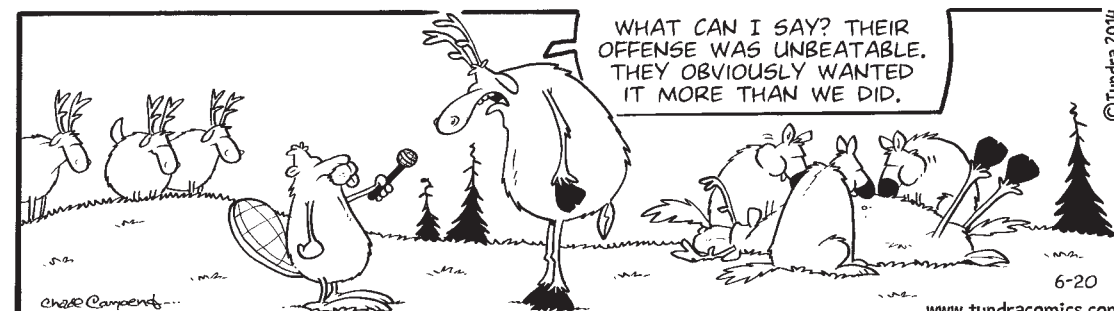


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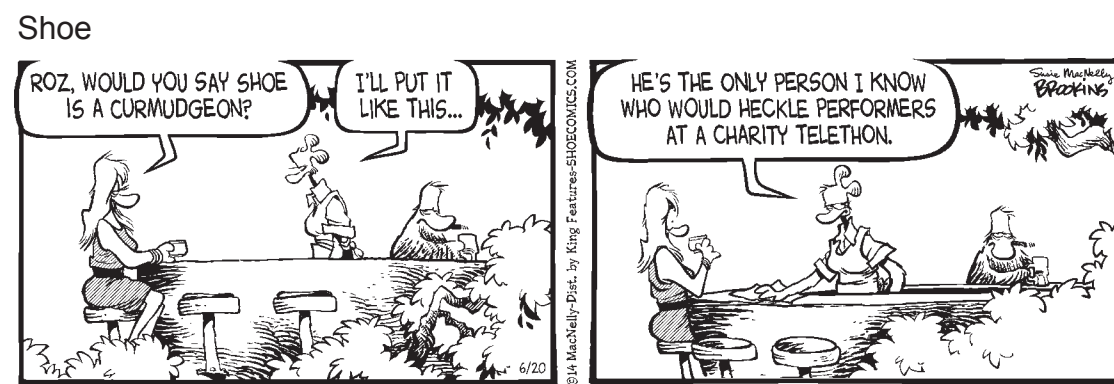
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 ★★★★★ You might not be in sync with many people around you. Perhaps you want to take a break from your daily hassles and become unavailable. You may feel as if you don't have the energy to go through any interpersonal relating right now. Tonight: Maintain a low profile.
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 ★★★★★ The Sun moves into your sign, announcing its presence with the summer solstice. If you are not invited to a party to celebrate the season, decide to throw one yourself. A parent might encourage you to play a more active role in your social life. Tonight: The later, the better.
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 ★★★★★ Continue with plans to throw yourself into a project that you feel must be done. Do not minimize what is happening with a special person in your life. Make plans with this person in the near future. You will relax more once you have a chat. Tonight: Suddenly, so many invitations.
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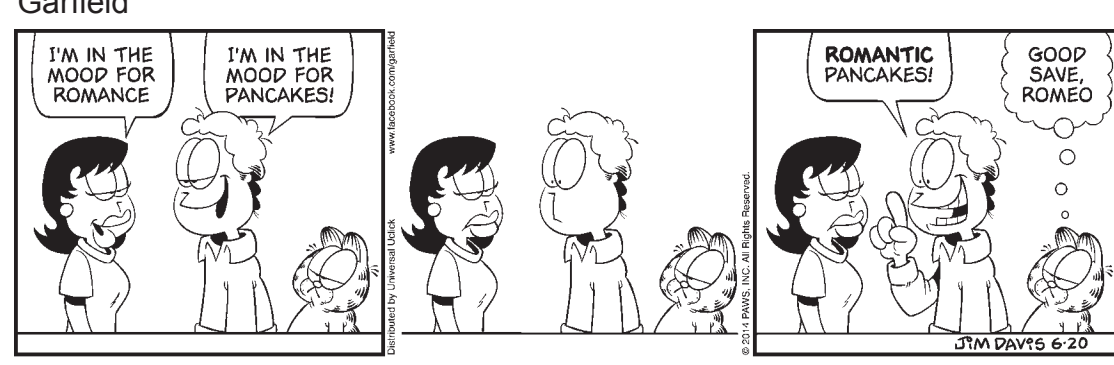
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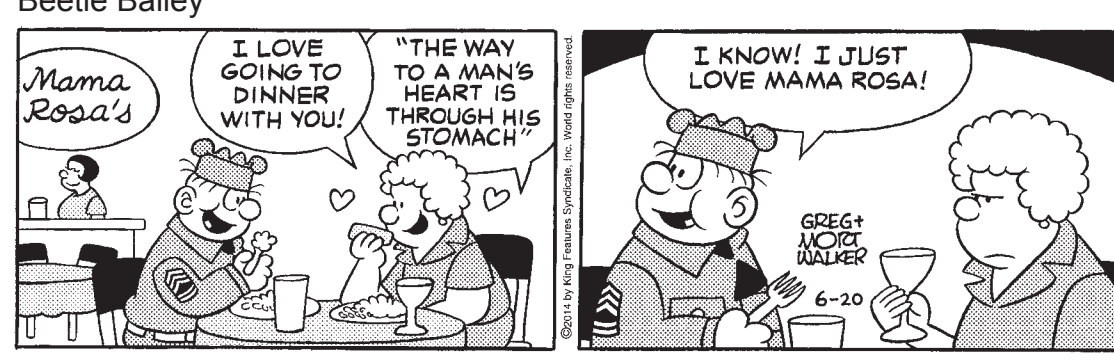
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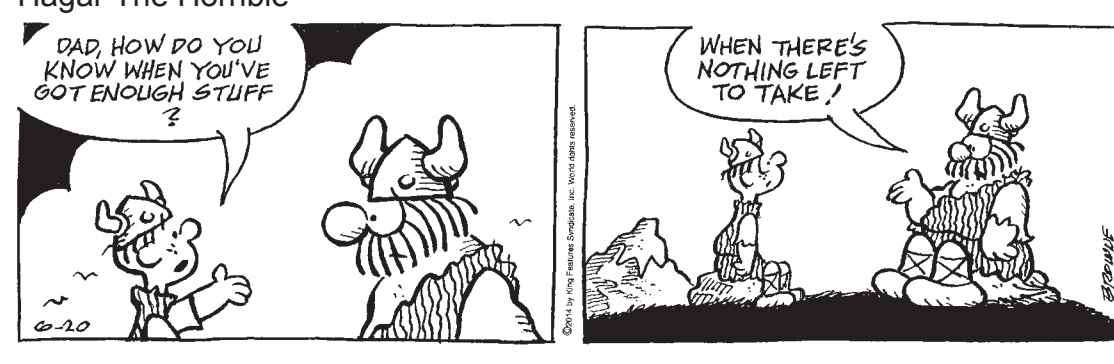
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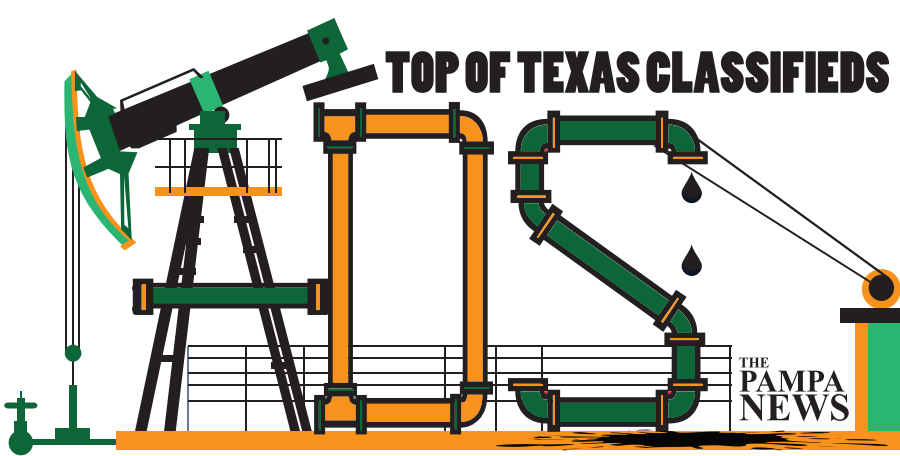


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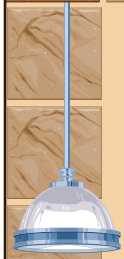
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PampaSports

Lady Harvesters host summer youth camp

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The 2014 Lady Harvesters basketball camp was held this week, from Tuesday to Friday. First through fifth graders participated from 8 to 10:30 a.m., while sixth through ninth graders from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. The camp was held at McNeely Fieldhouse before being moved to the Dennis Cavalier Activity Center.

The camp was directed by the new Pampa High School head girl's basketball coach, Kim Chaffin. "I feel like if you start off

coaching the young ones, your program will be better," she said.

The camp essentially covered the basic fundamentals of basketball.

"We're going over the basics," Chaffin said. "We're going over the dribbling, the passing, the shooting. There's some stuff I feel like even the older girls know, but they just don't know the ins and outs."

Chaffin says fundamentals are a very important part of the game of basketball.

"I'm very picky about fundamental stuff, and I

feel like we're in need of that here in Pampa," she said.

Although there were two different age groups, all of the girls were taught the same fundamentals.

"I don't teach any differently," she said. "Maybe my humor is stronger with the younger ones. We have a little more fun, give a few more breaks. As far as it goes with fundamentals, I'm straight across the board."

Chaffin says it helps if the younger players know exactly what the older ones are going to do.



OPTIMIST 9&10 CHAMPS



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The Moose Lodge 9-and-10-year-old Optimist Team won the 9-and-10-year-old Optimist League and were crowned champions.

POYNOR SPEAKS AT LION'S CLUB



Submitted Photo

Head football coach Greg Poynor spoke at the Lions Club on Wednesday. Poynor spoke about his past coaching experience and his plans for Harvester football.

Rangers

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Sonny Gray or the Athletics bullpen. Final Score: Athletics 4, Rangers 2.

Let's check out the standings before we preview this weekend's series. Oakland is in first with a 44-28 record. That is the best in all of baseball. Los Angeles is in second with a 38-32 record. Seattle is third with a 37-35 record. Texas is fourth with a 35-37 record. Houston brings up the rear at 32-41. If the Rangers can win the series or even sweep the Angels this weekend, it would go a long way to help their position in the division.

The Rangers have three more road games as part of this nine-game divisional road trip. Joe Saunders (0-2, 3.46 ERA) matches up with Garrett Richards (6-2, 2.87 ERA) in tonight's opener. If Saunders can pitch another two run or less, five inning or more performance, the Rangers have a great shot in this

one. Saunders' record is deceiving as he lost a 3-2 game to Cleveland in one of those losses and he is overdue for a win sometime. Richards has been performing well as of late but the Texas offense has proven they can hit good pitching. Look for the Rangers to be on top of this one if they can get at least four runs in the game. Prediction: Rangers 5, Angels 3.

Game two has Nick Martinez (1-4, 4.44 ERA) against Hector Santiago (0-7, 4.44 ERA) Saturday. This could be a game of who scores 10 runs first, or just simply who can outpitch the other team. I am going to side with the Rangers on this one. I think they have finally figured out how to hit and which pitchers to use and when to use them from the bullpen. Plus it would be stupid and illogical to side with a guy that is 0-7! Prediction: Rangers 12, Angels 7.

If those two games go as planned then game three Rangers' fans will be licking their chops with their

brooms out in hopes of a sweep. They haven't swept anyone since Oakland way back in April. But if they can win those first two there is a great chance to sweep here. Yu Darvish (7-3, 2.39 ERA) faces off against Jered Weaver (7-6, 3.67 ERA). Weaver has been subpar lately with Darvish only struggling against the Athletics. The Rangers will also want to perform well as this is the featured Sunday Night Baseball game on ESPN. Darvish is stellar in bounce back games. Recently he allowed four runs against Cleveland and in the next game he threw a complete game shutout. Prediction: Rangers 5, Angels 0.

The Rangers will come back to Arlington after Sunday for a three game set against the Tigers and a three game set against the Twins. Let's hope by next weekend we are talking about some major movement in the AL West standings with the Rangers at least in third, or maybe even back into second place.

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