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Wednesday, August 8, 2012

**Tuesday blaze** 

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Chief "Big Mac" Ryan

The noon fire was

quickly extinguished and

the power and cable com-

panies restored power

shortly thereafter, reports

and three other firefight-

ers contained the blaze.

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A Tuesday afternoon

fire was caused when a

fuse blew on Ferguson

Street, rerouting power

through a line on Price

**Viewpoints: Chuck Norris** 

Pampa firefighters responded to a call on Price

Road and briefly knock-

ing out power and cable.

eral railroad ties and

sparked a second, small,

grass fire. But otherwise

it caused minimal dam-

age and harmed no one,

Pampa firefighters said.

The fire damaged sev-

Road. An electrical short apparently sparked a fire.

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**Harvesters practice 2nd day** 

Tomorrow coach outlines the 2012 team | p9

# FUEL!

# New Pampa store is an exercise in convenience

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The new United Fuel Express convenience store on 1420 North Hobart has been open for business for three weeks, as part of an ongoing project to add convenience shopping to the company's fuel kiosks.

The expansion, which began in Lubbock two years ago, has spread to Pampa and Amarillo, with 22 convenience stores in operation at fuel stations.

So far, United Supermarkets has one standalone convenience store called United Express, which the company hopes its new convenience stores will complement.

"Our guests can have the convenience of grab-and-go, not having to go into the store for something they would traditionally get at a convenience store," said United spokesman Eddie Owens. "If they pull into our fuel station, we want to provide those

United Supermarkets owns 50 full-sized grocery stores in the Panhandle and West

# FIGHTING FIRE



Staff photo by Gayden Hays

Fire Chief "Big Mac" Ryan and firefighters extinguish flames ignited when a fuse blew on Ferguson Street, rerouting power through a line on Price Road. Grass and Railroad Ties were all that was damaged.

# Mac Smith appointed fundraising chair

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Last week, Pampa's United Way appointed Mac Smith to be the organization's fundraising chairman just in time for its fall fundraising campaign. This year, the group hopes to raise \$315,000.

Smith said he is looking forward to getting involved with United Way.

"United Way is just one of those organizations that's a staple in the giving community," Smith said. "They've done so much good in this area for a long time, and really, nationwide and globally."

This year, Smith expects to use digital means of spreading the word about United Way, along with traditional methods.

"We're about to start the process of putting together a team of people to help reach out to the community here in Pampa, and see if we can connect with enough people to raise the kind of money we need to do the good work United Way has done for many years in this community, and will hopefully be able to continue to do," he said.

Although he's just getting started, Smith said he's excited to help the community.

"I love to be involved, engaged, and when this opportunity came up, I wholeheartedly jumped at it, and will do anything I can do to help," he said.

Golden Treasure Horseshoe Hunt, sponsored by the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association, is underway. Here is Wednesday, Aug. 8's clue:

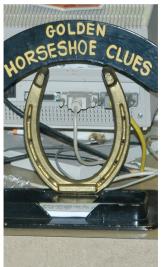
GOING AMHAVE TO BEAUTIFUL NEW BUILDING BEFORE LONG. MY OLD HOME WILL SURE GO TO GOOD USE."

All clues will be placed in selected stores in Pampa.

You can only have access tot these clues by going into the stores. The lucky person who finds the horseshoe will win box seat tickets valued at \$150 to the rodeo performances on Aug. 9,

10 and 11. Additionally, winner gets the chance to ride in the rodeo parade at 10:30 a.m. Aug. 11.

Any questions? Call Cindy Kemph at 806-669-0434.



# Golden Horseshoe clue Dinner with Top O' Texas

Over 40 people attended the Tuesday night Director and Queen's farewell dinner sponsored by the Top O' Texas Rodeo. The directors served a sumptuous beef and chicken meal with all the fixin's for the people on hand at the Chamber of Commerce. Jarrett Camerron thanked the people in attendance. Departing queen Shayley Morriss gave her farewell speech and thanked the board and the sponsors. Ending the ceremony was Robert Johnson recognizing volunteers.

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# PAMPA FORECAST



High 96 Low 69



High 96 Low 67



High 96 Low 70

Today: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 96. South southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming east northeast in the afternoon.

Tonight: Partly cloudy, with a low around 69. East northeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming light and variable.

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 96. West northwest wind 5 to 15 mph becoming northeast in the afternoon. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 67. East wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 96. East southeast wind 5 to 15 mph.

Friday: Night Partly cloudy, with a low around 70. Southeast wind 10 to 15 mph.

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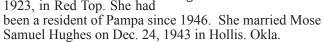


# **Obituaries**

# Connie Juanita Hughes

Connie Juanita Hughes, 88, went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Aug. 6, 2012 in Pampa. She was a member of the Fellowship Baptist Church and a devout Chris-

She was born Sept. 1, Hughes 1923, in Red Top. She had



She loved her family first and foremost. She read her bible every night. She was a devoted and loving wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, daughter and

She was preceded in death by her husband, Mose Hughes; her mother, Opal Crabb; her father, Mart Crabb; and one sister, Lowela Chumley.

Survivors include one sister, Virginia rose Harp and husband Roger of Olustee, Okla.; a daughter Gloria Hamilton and husband Glenn of Pampa; a grandson, Shane Hamilton; granddaughter in law Starla Hamilton of Pampa; a great grandson Skyler Hamilton; and several nieces and nephews and friends.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 9 at Harmon County Funeral Home, 417 East Broadway, Hollis, Okla.

The family requests donations be made to BSA Hospital in lieu of flowers to the home.

# W.R. James Denison

W.R. James Denison, 63, of Lefors died Aug. 5, 2012 in Gray County.

Memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 9, 2012, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Franklin McDonough of Somerville Church of Christ, officiating. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Denison was born Jan. 13, 1949 in Manhat-



Denison

tan, Kansas. He had been a resident of the Pampa area for the past 20 years. He married Jeannie Joiner on May 26, 1995 in Pampa. He had been a truck driver for 30 years, and was a computer technician for the past 3 years. He was a veteran of the U. S. Marine Corps, serving during the Vietnam War. He enjoyed riding his motorcycle and spending time with his grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife, Jeannie Denison of the home; two stepsons: Jeremy Evans and fiancée Racheal, and Chris Oliveira and wife Krickett, all of Pampa; a stepdaughter: Marquetta Oliveira and husband Keith of Colorado Springs, Colorado; seven grandchildren; four brothers: Bob Denison and wife Tammy, Chuck Denison and wife Pat, Tom Denison and wife Lisa, and Bart Denison, all of Mineola, Kansas. He was preceded in death by his parents: Charles and Erma Denison.

MEMORIALS: Somerville Church of Christ, 500 N. Somerville, Pampa, Texas 79065.

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# Fortherecord

### PAMPA POLICE

The Pampa Police Department reported the following incidents for the 72 hour period ending Monday, August 6 at 7 a.m.

Pampa PD reported 49 traffic-related incidents.

Animal Control agents and Pampa PD reported 23 animal-related incidents.

Pampa EMS, the Pampa Fire Department and the Lefors Volunteer EMS responded to 16 medical calls.

Friday, August 3

Texas and Russell. A stolen vehicle was re-

ported at the 300 block of North Doyle. Criminal mischief oc-

curred at the 800 block of

West Foster. An accident occurred at of West Harvester. the 1000 block of North

Disorderly conduct oc- Browning. curred at the 100 block of

West 30th. Criminal trespassing was reported at the 100 block of

West Foster. An offense against family and children occurred at the

1000 block of Terry. the 2800 block of North

Charles. A hit and run occurred at

the 1100 block of Crane. Harassment was reported

at the 500 block of Yeager. Offenses against family and children were reported at the 500 block of North

Sumner and the 2300 block

of North Mary Ellen. Suspicious persons were reported at the 200 block of North Gillespie and the intersection of Foster and Houston.

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North Hobart and the 700 400 block of Graham. block of East Murphy.

nance occurred at the 700 East Frederic. block of East Frederic. A suspicious vehicle was 273 and Gray 13. reported at the 400 block of

East Frederic. A suspicious person was reported at Williston and

Harvester. Disorderly conduct occurred at the 1000 block of

South Prairie and the 300 occurred at the 400 block block of South Canadian. A domestic disturbance

A theft occurred at the the 600 block of Montagu. An accident occurred at 1100 block of West Crane.

of North Hazel.

Suspicious persons were East Frederic and the intersection of Bond and Sum-

A suspicious vehicle was Hobart. reported at the 1700 block

An accident occurred lard and the 600 block of reported at the 600 block of at the 1400 block of East West Brown.

A grass fire occurred at nance occurred at the 1000 FM 281 and County Road block of South Huff.

Harassment was reported. A suspicious vehicle was reported at the 1400 block of West Somerville.

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> A structure fire occurred at 10th and Gray.

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curred at the 1100 block of Lefors. East Foster.

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A domestic disturbance

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and children occurred at the 1600 block of East High-Disorderly conduct oc-

South Starkweather. A suspicious person was

South Gillespie. Disorderly conduct occurred at the 100 block of South Faulkner.

A suspicious person was reported at the 500 block of West Brown. A domestic disturbance

occurred at the 1200 block

of North Hobart, Disorderly conduct occurred at the 1400 block of North Hobart.

A prowler was reported at the 700 block of North A suspicious person was

East Foster. A violation of city ordi- Disorderly conduct occurred at the 900 block of

East Frederic. Monday, August 6

Disorderly conduct occurred at the 700 block of North Gray.

A suspicious person was reported at the 700 block o North Christy.

A suspicious vehicle was reported at the 1000 block of North Duncan and the 100 block of South Dwight An accident occurred at

### the 1100 block of Willow. SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The Gray County Sheriff's Office reported the following arrests for the 24 hour period ending Monday, August 6 at 7 a.m.

Sunday, August 5 Billie Jean Lewis, 33, was arrested by police for public intoxication.

Whitney Renee Brummett, 21, was arrested by occurred at the 1000 block deputies for assault causing

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# **MORNING***RUSH*

# Fake deputy gets real prison sentence Catholic cardinal is suing

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - A man who faked being a tion, but he's inviting Texas law officer and demanded free sex from a prosti- President Barack Obama tute has been sentenced to 35 years in prison.

A judge in San Antonio on Monday sentenced 42-yearold Raul Garza III.

ating a public servant. Court records show Garza had previous convictions for burglary and robbery.

Prosecutors say Garza last year, while driving a policelike vehicle, pretended to be a deputy and sought free sex from a prostitute. The woman submitted to Garza but later called police when he allegedly wanted suggestive photos of her 10-year-old daughter.

Garza has denied pretending to be an officer. He testified he never committed a crime and just refused to pay the prostitute.

# Two die in East Texas wall collapse

JACKSONVILLE (AP) — Authorities say a retaining wall collapse in East Texas has left two construction workers dead and another hurt.

The Cherokee County Sheriff's Office says the industrial accident happened Monday near Lake Jacksonville. Sheriff James Campbell says the workers were trying

to install reinforcing steel when a 30-foot section of the concrete and rock wall fell. Campbell says the wall is about 12 to 15 feet tall and a foot thick.

Investigators say 60-year-old Donald Starling and 68-year-old Hollis Morris, both of Tyler, were dead at the scene. Officials say the older man's son, 45-year-old Rodney Morris of Tyler, suffered injuries not believed to be life-threatening.

Jacksonville is 115 miles southeast of Dallas.

# No sensors for police dogs in SUV

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A South Texas sheriff's department has heat sensors to protect police dogs but the devices were not installed in an SUV where two animals died.

Bexar (bayr) County Sheriff Amadeo Ortiz says police dogs will not be used during the day until the equipment is installed. The San Antonio police dog unit will assist the sheriff's department as needed.

Ortiz said Monday that maintenance workers did not know how to install the sensors, which alert officers when the dog-carrying units get too hot. The vehicle windows are automatically lowered.

Two dogs were discovered dead July 25 in a countyowned SUV at the handler's home. Ortiz says the deputy apparently forgot the dogs after he noticed his horse was caught in some barbed wire.

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# Cardinal invites Obama, Romney to dinner (P.S.: The Cardinal is suing President Obama)

NEW YORK (AP) - New York's Roman the Obama administrato dinner anyway.

The Archdiocese of New York said Tuesday Jurors on Friday convicted Garza of felony imperson- that Cardinal Timothy

Dolan has asked both Obama and Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney to the annual Al Smith dinner on Oct. 18.

Romney has accepted. The Obama campaign hasn't said publicly whether the president

will attend, but the archdiocese says Obama has accepted the invitation.

It's customary for presidential candidates to attend the white-tie charity banquet. But this year's invitation was in question.

The New York archdio-

cese is among more than 40 Catholic groups suing Obama over his mandate that employers provide health insurance that covers birth control.

The archdiocese says the Al Smith dinner is an evening to put politics

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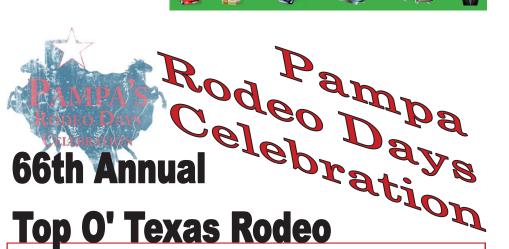
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5:30 - Free BBQ for All Ticket Holders before the Rodeo.

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7:00 - TCRA Top O' Texas Rodeo

Friday, August 10

**RODEO TICKET** PRICES: \$8.00 Adult and Seniors \$6.00 Children (ages 5-12)

7:00 - TCRA Top O' Texas Rodeo

(Free Child ticket with each adult ticket purchased or Free senior ticket with each senior ticket purchased)

9:00 - Dance... Featuring - Gray County Line Band (Ladies Free & Guys \$10)

10:30 - Annual Top O' Texas Rodeo Parade

<u>Downtown Pampa (Kingsmill between Ballard and Russell)</u>

9:00 - Diamond Ice Melt at Rheams Diamond Shop

11:00 - Festivities Begin... End at 4:00 **Food & Craft Booths Exhibits by Local Artists** Vintage & Trendy Booths Volleyball, Bouncie, Frustration Car & Water Games

2:00 - Little Cowboy and Little Cowgirl Pageant. Corner of Kingsmill & Cuyler. (\$15.00 entry fee, sponsored by Shepherds Helping Hands)

1:00 - 3:00 Western Photos at Shutterbug Photography.

3:00 - Drawing for \$250 in Downtown Business Bucks at Rheams Diamond Shop (must be present to win)

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7:00 - TCRA Top O' Texas Rodeo

9:00 - Dance... Featuring - Gray County Line Band (\$10.00 per person or \$15 per couple)







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# Viewpoints

# Today in History

August 8 is the 220th day of the year (221st in leap years) in the Gregorian calendar. There are 145 days remaining until the end of the year.

#### **Events**

1220 – Sweden is defeated by Estonian

tribes in the Battle of Lihula.

1503 - King James IV of Scotland marries Margaret Tudor, daughter of King Henry VII of England at Holyrood Abbey, Edinburgh, Scotland.

1576 – The cornerstone for Tycho Brahe's Uraniborg observatory is laid on Hven

1585 – John Davis enters Cumberland Sound in search of the Northwest Passage.

1588 – Anglo-Spanish War: Battle of Gravelines – The naval engagement ends, ending the Spanish Armada's attempt to invade England.

1605 – The city of Oulu, Finland, is founded by Charles IX of Sweden.

1647 – The Irish Confederate Wars

and Wars of the Three Kingdoms: Battle of Dungans Hill - English Parliamentary forces defeat Irish forces.

1709 – Bartolomeu de Gusmão demonstrates the lifting power of hot air in an audience before the King of Portugal in Lisbon

1786 – Mont Blanc on the French – Italian border is climbed for the first time by Jacques Balmat and Dr Michel-Gabriel Paccard.

1793 – The insurrection of Lyon occurs during the French Revolution.

1794 – Joseph Whidbey leads an expedition to search for the Northwest Passage near

Juneau, Alaska. 1844 – The Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, headed by Brigham Young, is reaf-

firmed as the leading body of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (LDS Church) 1863 – American Civil War: following his defeat in the Battle of Gettysburg,

General Robert E. Lee sends a letter of resignation to Confederate President Jefferson Davis (which is refused upon receipt). 1870 – The Republic of Ploiești, a failed

Radical-Liberal rising against Domnitor Carol of Romania.

1876 – Thomas Edison receives a patent

for his mimeograph.

1908 – Wilbur Wright makes his first flight at a racecourse at Le Mans, France. It is the Wright Brothers' first public flight.

1918 - World War I: the Battle of Amiens begins a string of almost continuous victories with a push through the German front lines (Hundred Days Offensive).

1927 – The predecessor to the Philippine Stock Exchange opens.

1929 – The German airship Graf

Zeppelin begins a round-the-world flight. 1940 – The "Aufbau Ost" directive is

signed by Wilhelm Keitel.

1942 – Quit India Movement is launched in India against the British rule in response to Mahatma Gandhi's call for swaraj or complete independence.

1946 – First flight of the Convair B-36, the world's first mass-produce nuclear weapon delivery vehicle.

1960 - South Kasai secedes from the

1963 – Great Train Robbery: in England, a gang of 15 train robbers steal 2.6 million pounds in bank notes.

1967 – The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) is founded by

Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

1969 - At a zebra crossing in London, photographer Iain Macmillan takes the photo that becomes the cover of the Beatles album Abbey Road, one of the most famous album covers in recording history.

1973 – Kim Dae-Jung, a South Korean politician and later president of South Korea,

is kidnapped. 1974 – President Richard Nixon, in a nationwide television address, announces his resignation from the office of the President of the United States effective noon the next

1980 - The Central Hotel Fire occurs in Bundoran, Ireland.

1988 – The "8888 Uprising" occurs in

1989 – Space Shuttle program: STS-28 Mission – Space Shuttle Columbia takes off on a secret five-day military mission.



# Chuck Norris, Obama, and taxes

**CHUCK NORRIS** Columnist/ actor

(Editor's Note: This column was originally published on July 3. Because we failed to run it at that time, we are running it now.)

Last Thursday, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled to uphold Obamacare's individual mandate (indictment) to collect more taxes from you and me. President Barack Obama's taxation shell game, which flies in the face of the freedoms we celebrate this week, is just one more reason his presidency and Obamacare need to be overturned this November.

Chief Justice John Roberts wasn't kidding when he offered the commentary about the court's ruling: "It is not our job to protect the people from the consequences of their political choices." Obamacare is taxation unleashed!

Despite the fact that in 2009, Obama repeatedly denied to ABC News correspondent George Stephanopoulos that Obamacare's individual mandate was equated with increased taxes, the Supreme Court defined the legislation as just that -- more taxation.

When Rep. Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., was asked by a reporter whether the financial penalty for not complying with Obamacare's individual mandate is, in fact, a tax, she retorted: "Call it what you will. ... This is a very good thing for the American people."

Pelosi, who helped Obama ramrod the legislation, and Obama were frolicking like two kids in a candy store when they learned about the hallmark SCOTUS decision. But I doubt that middle-class taxpayers will be so ecstatic when they are footing the bill every year for another socialized medicine program.

On Thursday, CNN even confessed: "In 2014, the penalty (for not having medical insurance) will be no more than \$285 per family or 1 percent of income, whichever is greater. In 2015, the cap rises to \$975 or 2 percent of income. And by 2016, the penalty would be up to \$2,085 per family or 2.5 percent of income, whichever is greater.'

Bloomberg reported: "Some of the largest levies and fees in the 2010 law take effect in 2013. In all, the law is projected to raise an estimated \$813 billion in revenue over 10 years to help pay for the expansion of insurance coverage, according to the Congressional Budget Office. That figure includes penalties under the individual mandate, which the court ruled is constitutional under Congress' taxing power."

The fact is that behind closed doors with the Supreme Court justices and out of view of the public, the legal teams from the Obama administration pitched Obamacare as a tax. Obama and his legal eagles lied to the public to get the legislation passed on Capitol Hill and then described it as a tax to pass it before SCOTUS. They knew that the court knows that the Constitution gives Congress the power to tax in order to carry out its duties, and that was their ticket to manipulate their way to victory.

On March 26, the first day of Obamacare arguments before the Supreme Court, Fox News reported that a top Obama lawyer was chided by the justices for calling the fine for not purchasing insurance both a

"penalty" and a "tax."

Even U.S. Solicitor General Donald Verrilli repeatedly used the phrase "tax penalty" to describe noncompliance with the individual mandate. Then Justice Samuel Alito rebuffed, "General Verrilli, today you are arguing that the penalty is not a tax. Tomorrow you are going to be back, and you will be arguing that the

Verrilli answered Justice Elena Kagan's question of whether noncompliance with the individual mandate would result in breaking the law by saying that if people "pay the tax, then they are in compliance with the law." That reference caught the attention of Justice Stephen Breyer, who interjected, "Why do you keep saying tax?"

To require people to pay a penalty for not buying health insurance is a tax. And I vehemently disagree with Pelosi that Obamacare's new taxes are "a very good thing for the American people" -- in or out of a recession -- simply because more government regulations and taxation restrict our freedoms and pocketbooks.

The actions of Obama's federal government are diametrically opposed to those of America's Framers, who adopted the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution. Thomas Jefferson, who penned the original draft of the Declaration of Independence, wrote roughly 40 years later, in 1816, to Samuel

"We must make our election between economy and liberty, or profusion and servitude. If we run into such debts as that we must be taxed in our meat and in our drink, in our necessaries and our comforts, in our labors and our amusements, for our callings and our creeds, as the people of England are, our people, like them, must come to labor sixteen hours in the twenty-four, give the earnings of fifteen of these to the government for their debts and daily expenses, and the sixteenth being insufficient to afford us bread, we must live, as they now do, on oatmeal and potatoes; have no time to think, no means of calling the mismanagers to account; but be glad to obtain subsistence by hiring ourselves to rivet their chains on the necks of our fellow-sufferers."

Does that not describe Obama's fundamental transformation of America to a T? Happy birthday, America! We still are celebrating and fighting for your founding principles and freedoms!

Another great summer patriotic gathering is the Patriot Academy, which is a six-day leadership and political training camp for students -- from age 16 -and adults, too. Patriot Academy is held each summer in Austin, Texas, and the 2012 session -- its 10th anniversary -- will be held from July 30 to Aug. 4. Patriot Academy is hosted and sponsored by my friends Rick Green and David Barton from WallBuilders and also is taught by other insightful, inspirational leaders from around the country. Space is limited to only 100 students and 100 adults for the new adult track. For more information or to register today, go to http://www. patriotacademy.com.

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# It's a mad, mad world

MILWAUKEE (AP) — When they aren't ranting in Internet forums, many of the nation's white supremacists seek a louder outlet for their extreme views: thunderous, thrashing heavy metal or punk music with lyrics that call for a race war.

Wade Michael Page, the gunman who killed six people at a Sikh temple in Wisconsin before being killed by police, was deeply involved in the "hate rock" scene—a shadowy world of hundreds of performers in the U.S. and Europe, most of them playing metal or hardcore punk. Some also play country, folk and other genres.

Largely unknown to most Americans, this musical subculture is an integral part of neo-Nazi circles, offering a way for like-minded followers to connect with each other and socialize, recruit new members and raise money for their cause.

"It really was a good political weapon for the agenda," said Jason Stevens, who once fronted a white-power band called Intimidation One in Portland, Ore.

Page once played guitar and bass with Intimidation One, as well as in bands called Definite Hate and End Apathy.

Stevens, who turned his back on white supremacy in 2004 and now owns a small business, said he was shocked to hear that a friend he remembered as "mellow and quiet" had committed such a heinous crime.

The two last talked on the phone in 2010, and Stevens said Page was "his usual laid-back self." At the time, Stevens said, he had a job at a Colorado metalworking shop.

Stevens said money raised by his band's tours and record sales was often funneled to legal defense funds for white supremacists charged with federal crimes, including Randy Weaver, whose 1992 standoff with federal agents in Ruby Ridge, Idaho, left a U.S. marshal and two Weaver family members dead.

The music "brings in more revenue than virtually anything else," said Brian Levin, a criminal justice professor at California State University at San Bernardino, who has consulted for the FBI and other federal agencies on white supremacists.

The National Alliance, a prominent white-power organization, sometimes cleared \$1 million a year in profit from music, books and magazines, video games and other supremacy products, Levin said.

One of the most influential white-supremacist record labels, Resistance Records, often sold hate-rock albums for \$14.88 — "14" represented the 14 words in a popular skinhead mantra, and "8" pointed to "H" as the eighth letter of the alphabet.

"Doubling it up stood for 'Heil Hitler,'" said Todd Blodgett, a former Reagan White House aide who once had an ownership stake in Resistance Records but later informed on white supremacist groups for the FBI.

Senior leaders of the groups see hate rock as the most effective way to recruit young followers, said Blodgett, who said he never held racist views but got wrapped up in far-right organizations without knowing the full implications of their beliefs.

The band now viewed as the pioneer of hate rock was called Skrewdriver, hailing from Britain's skinhead scene in the late 1970s and pioneering a genre called "Oi," which sounds similar to punk bands of the period such as the Sex Pistols.

The genre quickly spread to the U.S. and mush-roomed in the early 1980s. In more recent years, the Internet enabled much wider distribution of the music, with many of its record labels run by a single person with a post-office box.







# Halle on Sesame Street



(AP) Halle Berry is undoubtedly one of the world's biggest stars but that was cemented today.

The Academy Award winner has been announced as a guest star on the next season of popular children's show Sesame Street.

The 45-year-old was confirmed for the show earlier today and she will not be the only superstar dropping by to hang out with the muppets.







# Words Are cheap; so think about fruit and not the leaves

good word

Have you ever known someone who was always spouting plenty of words about their faith as a Christian, but seldom backed those the words up with real deeds of righteousness?

This article is about just such a person; big on the right words, but way short with his actions.

What would you say about someone if you heard them say

to a faithful child of God, "Surely your God is the God of gods and the Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries."? Would you think that they were probably saved or lost? What if later that same person said, "Praise be to your God. Anyone who into pieces and

says anything against ... God should be cut their houses be turned into piles of rubble, for save." Saved or lost?

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"Then I praised who lives forever.

What if you also heard them say, the Most High; I honored and glorified him His dominion is an eternal dominion; his kingdom endures from generation to generation. All the peoples of the earth are regarded as nothing. He does as he pleases with the powers of heaven and the peoples of the earth. No one can hold back his hand or say to him: "What have you done?" Now I praise and exalt and glorify the King of heaven, because everything he does is right and all his ways are just." Saved or lost?

Those were all words of the Babylonian King Nebuchadnezzar recorded in the book of Daniel. His words sounded GREAT every time. But most of the time his actions betrayed every single one of his pious words.

King Nebuchadnezzar's story in begins in 1:17-21 where the King personally meets Daniel and his 3 Hebrew friends. The King's own conclusion was "he found them 10 times better than all the magicians and enchanters who were in all his realm." So surely this would mean that the next time he needed wisdom or knowledge he would turn to these 4 Jewish young men. Right? NOT!

In Daniel 2 King Nebuchadnezzar was troubled by a dream about a huge statue that was destroyed by a stone. What did he do? "So the king summoned the magicians, enchanters, sorcerers and astrologers to tell him what he had dreamed." Of course, they could not and so the King ordered that all of the wise men in the land were to be cut into pieces and their houses were to be destroyed.

He didn't even remember about the 4 young Jews. Thank goodness Daniel caught wind of what was going on before the slaughter, approached the King, asked for a little time, asked his 3 friends to pray, asked God for help, then promptly went to sleep and VILOA! Daniel went straight to the King with what God revealed to him and of course it was right on the mark.

That is when the King said, "Surely your God is the God of gods and the Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries."? His words were great, but for how long?

Then in Daniel 3 the King really gets eaten up with the DUMMIES and builds a 90' statue (I believe of himself), commands everyone to worship it and vows to execute anyone who refuses. Of course, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego refused, were thrown into the fiery furnace and were delivered by God. Then suddenly once again the King's eyes seem opened, "Praise be your God.

Anyone who says anything against your God should be cut into pieces and their houses be turned into piles of rubble, for no other god can save."

That lasts until the next troubling dream about a giant tree that is cut down. What did the King do? "So I commanded that all the wise men of Babylon be brought before me to interpret the dream for me." Why not just call for Daniel and his friends? Why call for all the others? But at least this time he did include Daniel in the call to come.

Once again Daniel was able to interpret the dream, however this time it was a prophecy of the heavenly punishment which was about to come crashing down on him. Daniel even went further saying, "Therefore, Your Majesty, be pleased to accept my advice: Renounce your sins by doing what is right, and your wickedness by being kind to the oppressed. It may be that then your prosperity will continue.'

But this time the King's ears were closed and his tongue was silent. Even worse, his heart was hard and he did not heed Daniel's advice to repent.

That led to the King's STROLE OF ARROGANCE in his garden (Dan 4:29ff), which brought about personal judgment from heaven. For 7 seasons Nebuchadnezzar lost his mind and grazed in the fields as a cow. When God finally released him from his just punishment, the King said, "Then I praised the Most High; I honored and glorified him who lives forever. His dominion is an eternal dominion; his kingdom endures from generation to generation. All the peoples of the earth are regarded as nothing. He does as he pleases with the powers of heaven and the peoples of the earth.

No one can hold back his hand or say to him: "What have you done?" Now I praise and exalt and glorify the King of heaven, because everything he does is right and all his ways are just." This time no more "your God", but the King personally humbled himself before the God of the heavens and proclaimed his majesty over all.

Finally, after more than his fair share of "DUH" moments, King Nebuchadnezzar came face to face with the God of the Hebrews and he humbled himself.

This is his closing scene in Daniel and surely gives us hope for Nebuchadnezzar to be in heaven. For many years his words and actions were traveling in two different directions

But near the end of his life he finally got his words and his actions saddled on to the same horse, riding in the same direction. We all need to be sure that we do the same. God bless. Mike



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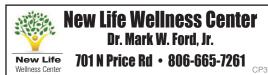
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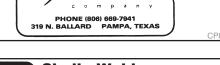


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"Like a good neighbor, State Farm is there."

# Vintage lady lamp lights up collectors

Q: Enclosed is a photo of a tall electric lamp that I got from a dear friend of mine. She bought it years ago from either a tag or estate sale. The lamp is the shape of a woman and 29 inches tall. The only markings are on the base, behind the lady's foot. Imprinted in the plaster base are the words "Continental Art Co." I tried to find out about the company but only learned it was an American company from the 1950s. I had it rewired and purchased a new shade that was almost like the original. The person in the shop who rewired my lamp thought it was from Europe, but I'm not so sure now.

Any information you can find out about my lady lamp would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your time and efforts. She's not bad for an old lady!

A: Your figural lady lamp was made in the United States. Continental Art Co. was located in Chicago, Ill. They made chalk ware and plaster figural lamps in the 1940s and 1950s. Their vintage lamps are collectible and many are selling on the Internet.

Your circa 1950 lamp would probably be worth \$175 to \$225.

Westmoreland Sterling Co. was located in Wallingford, Conn.

Q: I am 83 years old and bought a complete set of sterling silver flatware in 1946. I have enclosed a drawing of the mark that is seen on each piece. The set is service for 8 and includes extra serving pieces. When it was bought, I was told that it could be redeemed for cash but don't remember what large bank it was.

I would like to know the value of provide on its history.

A: The value all depends on what you are planning to do. Are you going to sell to an interested buyer or to a dealer? Are you planning to keep the to-door in the 1940s. They were locatset and have it insured? You might ed in Wallingford, Conn., and made expect to receive about 25 to 50 percent five patterns that included John and



**Figural lamps** were made by the Continental Art Co. in Chicago.

35 percent of the total value. If you plan to have the set insured, the value would be what it would cost you to replace it. Westmoreland Sterling was sold door-

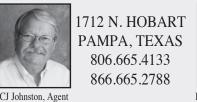
it today and any information you can when selling to an individual buyer. Priscilla, Lady Hilton, Milburn Rose, Dealers would probably offer you 10 to Enchanting Orchid, and George and

> Insure your set for approximately \$4,500 to \$5,500.

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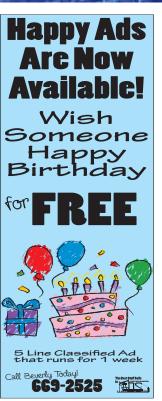
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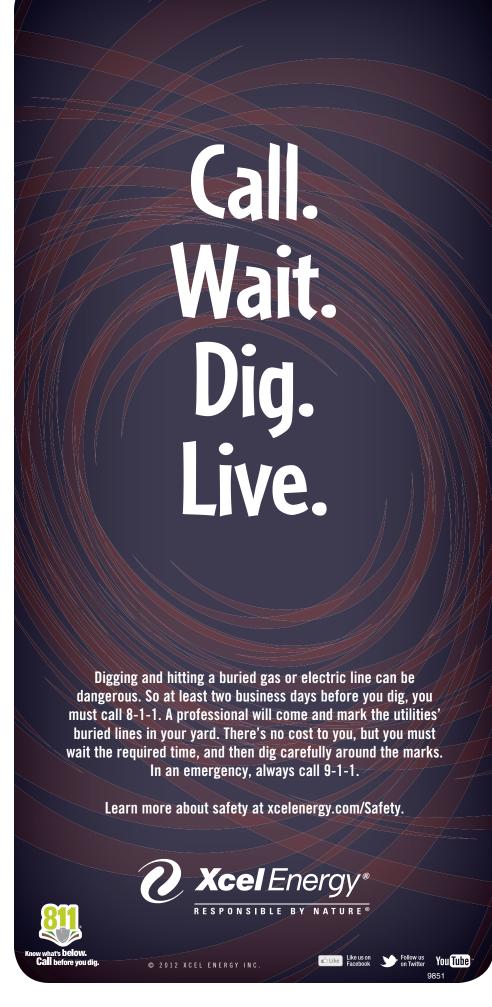
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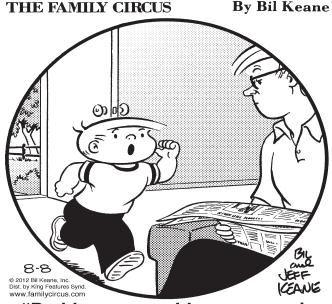
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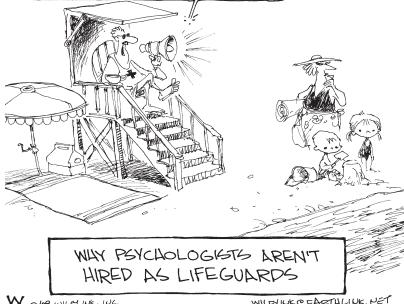




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HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Aug. 9,2012:

This year you often say one thing yet do another. Your mixed messages could cause confusion and a sense of unfulfillment. You might feel like you never get what you want, which could be a reflection of problematic communication. You might decide to add more clarity to the way you express your thoughts. If you are single, you could attract someone through your work or public commitments. Though this bond might not be "it," you could really enjoy this person. If you are attached, as a couple you decide to be more visual than in recent years. TAURUS approves of how you present yourself.

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)

\*\*\* Pressure builds, and your finances could be tied to the situation. Sorting through ways to defuse the matter to the approval of those involved could take unusual talent. Go after a creative venture, and trigger your imagination in other areas of your life as well. Tonight: Your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Get into the moment. You might not have the agreement from others that you might like. Discover alternatives. A meeting helps you figure out the most logical and effective way to proceed. A friend inspires you. Tonight: Absolutely what you want.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Listen to your instincts concerning a child or loved one. You see someone in a new light as a result of detaching and/or tapping into a different perspective. Do not hesitate to work on what feels right to you. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ Focus on success and feeling successful, and you will be successful. You demonstrate the power of positive thought and go for what you want. Your imagination seems endless, and it allows you to identify with others. Tonight: Whatever would make you happiest.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You might want to do something a lot differently from how someone else does it. The issue is that this person seems to have more leverage than you do. Your creativity will help even out the pow-

er balance. It might be smart to pull back some. Tonight: Could go to the wee hours. VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Allow your mind to wander and gain insight. You might laugh at yourself and how you personalized a situation. Laughter is more important than you realize in staying relaxed and open. Someone you care about touches base. Tonight: Go with what pleases you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Deal with others directly -- you will like the results a lot better. You see a situation for what it offers, and more. Go out of your way to let someone know how you feel. Your instincts carry you far in your dealings. Tonight: Dinner for two.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

 $\star\star\star\star$  You might want to rethink what is happening within your immediate circle. By asking questions, you could cause others to distance themselves. Relate in an open manner, and it will bring forth more of the information you are curious to hear. Tonight: Go with a suggestion.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ You want to do something differently, but you might not be sure how to proceed. You could be overwhelmed by a family member or close friend who could be a little too gushy for your style. This person is simply sharing. You do not need to do anything. Tonight: Get some extra R

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ You might want to fit some downtime in, but a child or loved one needs some playtime. You might need to rearrange your schedule, but do what you feel is right. You have an intuitive hunch about money or love. Tonight: Get into the moment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ What you're thinking about getting done or working with might not be viable if you wait much longer. Though you have a strong intuitive hunch about a financial matter, it does not mean that it's right. Be sure that you can afford for this feeling to be wrong. Tonight: Close to home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Your emotions lead you, and you have little choice but to follow them. Your caring self-expression means a lot, whether you are expressing an innate talent or telling someone how you feel. Tension builds around your daily routine. Tonight: Ever playful.

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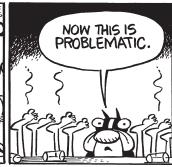




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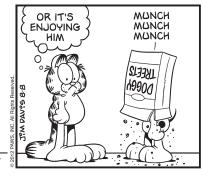




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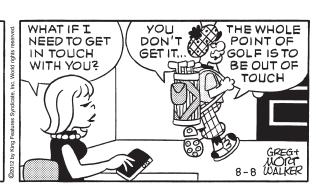






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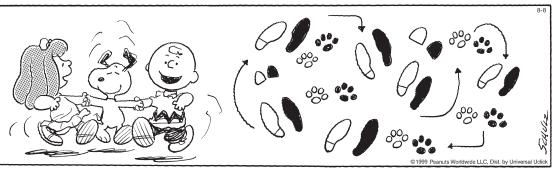
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# **Peanuts**



# **Blondie**







# Sports

# Harvester Football moves ahead



Members of 2012 Harvester Football Team continue with practice during the week. An estimated 120 boys showed up this year to participate and represent Pampa High School. Players will practice in shorts until Friday when the Team will go full pads.

# Jenkins needs more strength

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) Dallas Cowboys cornerback Mike Jenkins needs more strength in his surgically repaired right shoulder before he will be cleared to practice.

"I can still do everything," Jenkins "Just Tuesday. the strength. Everything else was there."

A day after visiting Dr. James Andrews in Florida for a follow-up on his shoulder, Jenkins said he hopes to be ready for the season opener Sept. 5 at the New York Giants (No. 3 in the AP Pro32). The former Pro Bowl cornerback will have another follow-up in a couple of weeks with Andrews, who performed the surgery in January.

For now, Jenkins will continue to do rehabilitation and conditioning work.

"We felt like the report was good. The timetable they have given him is at least a couple more weeks before he goes back to see Dr. Andrews again," coach Jason Garrett said. "The big thing for Jenks is to continue to get his rehab done, continue to get his conditioning done and try to inch the process along as quickly as he can."

Garrett said it wasn't a surprise that Jenkins wasn't cleared to practice yet and called it a "medical decision" for the player. Jenkins remains on the physically unable to perform list for Dallas

(No. 15).

At the start of training camp, Garrett had expressed hope that Jenkins could practice and get into a preseason game before the season starts. The coach isn't sure that will happen, and wasn't ready to make any predictions.

"It's probably guarded optimism, to be honest with you," Garrett said. "We are certainly hopeful of that."

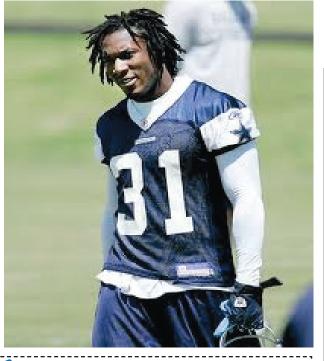
Jenkins, a first-round pick in 2008 who went to the Pro Bowl the next year, is going into the final season of his rookie contract. It comes after the Cowboys signed free agent Brandon Carr to a \$50 million, five-year deal in March and traded up in April's draft to get LSU All-American cornerback Morris Claiborne sixth overall.

Claiborne was working with the first-team defense, but will likely miss the preseason opener Monday night at Oakland. Claiborne has a sprained MCL in his left knee and has been out since leaving practice early Friday.

"We have corners on our roster that we like. Guys who have been with us, guys that we have added," Garrett said. "We don't think Morris Claiborne is going to be out for long, so we are hopeful he gets back fairly soon and can start practicing and playing in some of these preseason games."









# Rangers beat Red Sox behind Kinslers timely hitting

BOSTON (AP) — Ryan Dempster rebounded from a rough debut with Texas by pitching shutout ball into the seventh inning against Boston.

Ian Kinsler had a pair of RBI singles for the Rangers, who snapped a two-game skid. Josh Hamilton and Nelson Cruz each had two hits and drove in a run for

Pinch-hitter Will Middlebrooks had a three-run homer for the Red Sox, who have lost five of seven.

Acquired from the Cubs at the July 31 trade deadline, Dempster (1-0) gave up Middlebrooks' homer after a two-out error by Kinsler. He allowed three unearned runs in 6 2-3 innings.

Jon Lester (5-10) gave up four runs on six hits in 6 2-3 innings. He is 0-5 in his last six starts.

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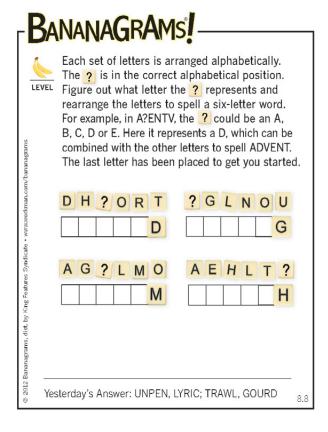
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# Romney says Obama favors 'culture of dependency'

ELK GROVE VILLAGE, III. (AP) Republican Mitt Romney accused President Barack Obama on Tuesday of ditching a long-standing work requirement for welfare recipients, accusing him of fostering a "culture of dependency" and backing up the charge with a new television commercial.

White House press secretary Jay Carney said the allegations were "blatantly dishonest ... hypocrisy knows no bounds." He added that Romney, while serving as Massachusetts governor, had once petitioned the White House to loosen employment rules for those on welfare.

Romney made his accusation in a relatively rare occurrence in the race for the White House — an appearance before voters outside the small group of battleground states likely to settle the Nov. 6

Illinois and its 20 electoral votes are politically safe territory for Obama in the fall. Romney was there for a fundraiser as well as a stop at a manufacturing company, part of the intense competition between the two candidates to stockpile cash for the stretch run to Election Day.

Romney picked up more than \$2 million during his swing through Chicago, and another fundraising evening in West Des Moines, Iowa, gave him at least another \$1.8 million.

The president was speaking at two private events, one of them a fundraiser, at a hotel a few blocks from the White House. And after being outraised by Romney in recent months, his campaign announced a fundraising "shoot-around" and dinner in New York on Aug. 22 featuring several professional basketball stars.

In a race as close as this one, the taunts were getting personal.

Romney, interviewed on Fox News, said Obama was "saying things that are not accurate" when it comes to taxes. He referred to a crack the president made on Monday night as "Obama-loney," rhyming it with baloney.

At a fundraiser, Obama called Romney's tax plan Robin Hood in reverse "Romney Hood" — and repeated his accusation that it would mean tax breaks for the wealthiest Americans while forcing the middle class to pay the IRS as much as \$2,000 more a year.

The president wants to extend tax breaks due to expire at all income levels, except above \$200,000 for individuals and \$250,000 for a couple. He has made his proposal central to a pitch to middleand working-class voters as he seeks a second term with unemployment at 8.3 percent.

Romney wants to keep the tax cuts in

place at all income levels, and has proposed an additional 20 percent reduction

Romney's decision to introduce the welfare issue into the campaign seemed aimed at blue-collar, white working-class voters in a weak economy, and suggested that Obama might be gaining ground politically with his position on taxes.

It also marked an attempt to take the gloss off the recent announcement that former President Bill Clinton will have a prime-time speaking slot at the Democratic National Convention in Charlotte, N.C. early next month.

Appearing before hundreds of supporters at a manufacturing plant near Chicago, Obama's hometown, the Republican challenger said bipartisan legislation signed into law by Clinton in 1996 "reformed welfare to encourage people to work."

# Kerrigan's brother wants to go back to Mass. jail

BOSTON (AP) — Former Olympic figure skater Nancy Kerrigan's brother, convicted of assault and battery in connection with the 2010 death of their father, wants to go back to jail to serve the rest of his sentence.

Mark Kerrigan on July 27 was released early from a county jail, where he was serving 2 1/2 years following his May 2011 conviction.

He has a hearing scheduled Wednesday in Middlesex Superior Court, Probation Service spokeswoman Coria Holland said. He isn't accused of violating probation but has asked to return to jail to serve the remaining six months of his sentence, she said.

Kerrigan's probation conditions included alcohol counseling, anger management classes and mental health counseling. It will be up to the judge whether to send Kerrigan back to jail or make him continue on probation with those conditions, Holland said.

Kerrigan "communicated his wish to complete his remaining six-month prison sentence," she said.

Kerrigan's trial lawyer, Janice Bassil, did not immediately return a phone call or an email seeking comment Tuesday. A Kerrigan family spokeswoman could not immediately be reached.



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