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DEPUTY SHOOTS 'AGGRESSIVE DOG'



Photo by Timothy P. Howsare

SELF DEFENSE? Ramona Heiskell with Lady, the 4-year-old daughter of Pretty, Heiskell's 6-year-old mixed-breed who was shot by a Gray County Sheriff's deputy Saturday as the deputy attempted to serve Heiskell civil papers. Photo by Timothy P. Howsare.

Dog killed by deputy in attack

By **TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE**
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A black mixed-breed dog was shot once by a Gray County Sheriff's deputy Saturday afternoon while the officer attempted to serve civil papers to a homeowner in the 1900 block of Christy Street.

The dog died several hours later from a bullet that passed through the its head and then struck the ground.

Neither the homeowner, Ramona Heiskell, nor the Sheriff's Office

disagree on those facts.

The Sheriff's Office maintains the deputy's action were in line with the agency's policy on threats against officers by aggressive animals — that an officer can use deadly force in self-defense when the officer believes no other reasonable alternatives will suffice.

Heiskell thinks otherwise.

She said the deputy could have used nonlethal force to subdue her 60-pound dog as it ran at the deputy, and, by firing his weapon so close

to her house, the deputy had put her 7-year-old granddaughter at risk. The girl was standing on the front porch when the dog was shot.

The Black Labrador mix, named Pretty, had been a family pet all six years of her life, Heiskell said. Both she and her two grandchildren, ages 7 and 10, were attached to the animal, she said.

"She never bit anyone," Heiskell said.

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Blood drive today

■ Coffee Memorial Blood Center is hosting a blood drive at Clarendon College.

By **TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE**
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Vampires aren't the only ones who want your blood for Halloween.

The Coffee Memorial Blood Center is hosting a blood drive today at Clarendon College, and as an incentive is giving Halloween-themed "Vein Drain" T-shirts to everyone who donates.

The blood drive will be held from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. in classroom 203 and in the lobby adjacent to the classroom.

Suzanne Talley, director of marketing and public relations for the blood center, said a blood drive is held at the college about every 60 days.

"Pampa is wonderful community," she said. "Our goal is for at least 100 donors."

Talley said all blood types are needed, but especially Type-O positive and Type-O negative, which is the universal blood type.

Donors are eligible to give blood every 56 days, she said.

The blood drives are held in memory of Blaze Coffee, a Gray County resident who was seriously injured in a heavy-equipment accident. Coffee received blood products daily for 28 days after the accident, but died on Sept. 8, 2010.

Clarendon College is located at 1601 W. Kentucky Ave.

To schedule an appointment for a donation, call 806-358-4563.

For more information about the blood center, visit www.thegiftoflife.org.

Border patrol agent is killed

By **JACQUES BILLEAUD**
 Associated Press

PHOENIX — A U.S. Border Patrol agent was killed and another wounded in a shooting early Tuesday in Arizona near the U.S.-Mexico line, according to the Border Patrol.

The agents were shot while patrolling on horseback in Naco, Ariz., at about 1:50 a.m. MST Tuesday, the Border Patrol said in a statement.

The agents who were shot were on patrol with a third agent, who was not harmed, according to George McCubbin, president of the National Border Patrol Council, a union representing about 17,000 border patrol agents.

The shooting occurred after an alarm was triggered on one of the many sensors along the border and the three agents went to investigate, said Cochise County Sheriff's spokeswoman Carol Capas.

Authorities have not identified any suspects, Capas said. It is not known whether

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Biggest moments in U.S. presidential debate history

By **PHILIP ELLIOTT**
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — They spend hours mastering policy, learning to lean on the podium just so, perfecting the best way to label their opponents as liars without whining.

But presidential candidates

and their running mates often find that campaign debates turn on unplanned zingers, gaffes or gestures that speak volumes.

Debate victories and losses often are scored based on the overall impressions candidates leave with voters.

In the history books, though, small moments often

end up telling the broader story.

Think of 73-year-old Ronald Reagan's pledge not to exploit his opponent's youth. Or John McCain's dismissive reference to Barack Obama as simply "that one."

A look back at some of the best and worst exchanges from presidential debates.

REAGAN: "I am not going to exploit, for political purposes, my opponent's youth and inexperience."

When Reagan won the White House in 1980, he was 69 and the oldest man elected to the office. During his successful 1984 re-election

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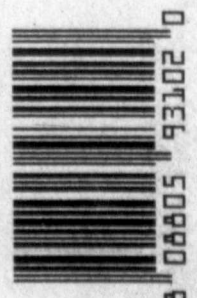
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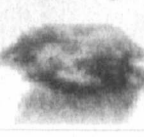
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PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Thursday	Friday
		
High 81 Low 48	High 62 Low 43	High 71 Low 38

Today: Beautiful sunshine all day, with highs near 81. South southwest winds at 22 miles per hour. Sunrise at 7:41 a.m.

Wednesday night: Clear skies, with a low of 48 degrees. Winds east at 25 miles per hour.

Thursday: No chance of rain, but there will be plenty of wind, north northeast at 27 miles per hour. The high for the day will be a cool 62.

Thursday night: Winds subside to 10 miles per hour, with no rain. Low will be 43.

Friday: Still no rain, at least during the day. Winds east northeast at 14 miles per hour. High of 71.

Friday night: 30 percent chance of showers, with a low of 38. Winds east northeast at 14 miles per hour.

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Guthrie celebration ends Saturday

By **MICHAEL J. STEVENS**
 Special to The Pampa News

The Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center will bring to a close the year-long celebration of Woody Guthrie's centennial with a number of events Friday and Saturday.

The celebration culminates with international recording artist and self-described Guthrie disciple, Jimmy LaFave, presenting Walking Woody's Road at 7:30 p.m. Saturday at the MK Brown Civic Center, 1100 Coronado Drive.

Guthrie was born in Okuskee County, Okla., on July 14, 1912, and lived in Pampa several years during his youth.

"Walking Woody's Road has been different almost everywhere I present it," LaFave said during a recent phone interview. "I have done it on my own, or with a friend or two."

LaFave will be bringing in more than just a friend or two Saturday night.

"I am bringing the band with me to Pampa," he said. "What we do is share a little something about each song we are about to play." LaFave's band will include fellow Austin singer/songwriter Michael Fracasso, Glenn Scheutzon on bass, Bobby

Kallus on drums, Bryan Peterson on piano and John Inmon on guitar.

Just minutes into the 20-minute interview, it was easy to hear LaFave's admiration for Guthrie. "With Nora (Guthrie's sister) sharing some of the 3,000 songs Woody wrote but never recorded, his music and his lyrics continue to impact and influence artists to this day."

Was Guthrie a man ahead of his time? "Definitely," said LaFave, who will join others at the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. just a few nights following his Pampa appearance for a final Woody 100 performance.

Walking Woody's Road with Jimmy LaFave wraps a two-day festival in Pampa that will feature tours of the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center, 320 Cuyler St., bike rides through Pampa and Woody's neighborhood, jam sessions from 1-4 p.m. Friday and Saturday and plenty of activities for the kids.

Tickets for Walking Woody's Road with Jimmy LaFave are \$20 and can be purchased at all Panhandle Tickets outlets, including United Supermarket of Pampa, online at panhandletickets.com or by phone at 806-378-3096. For more event details or to learn more about the

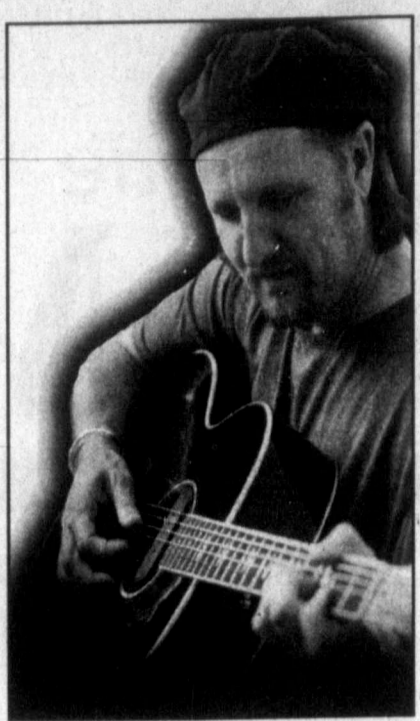


Photo submitted
JIMMY LAFAVE will perform the music of Woody Guthrie Saturday at the MK Brown Civic Center. Submitted photo.

Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center — and hear a sample of LaFave's music — visit woodyguthriepampatx.com.

For the record

Woman arrested for 'aggravated robbery'

By **GAYDEN HAYS**
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The following people were arrested and booked into the Gray County Jail between Monday and Tuesday:

- Kay Lynn Kirkham, 19, Pampa, for a warrant in

Randall County for aggravated robbery with a deadly weapon, no driver's license and running a stop sign.

- Mark Jefferies, 21, Amarillo, for burglary of a habitation, criminal mischief.
- Paul Allen Thias, 50,

Groom, for bench warrant in Carson County, warrant for burglary in Potter County.

- Kevin Stewart Hunt, 23, San Antonio, for driving while intoxicated.
- Marisol Martinez, 38, Pampa, warrant in Randall

County for theft by check.

- Antonio Villarreal Jr., 36, Pampa, warrant for no valid drivers license.
- Michael Ryan Cook, 21, Pampa, warrant for an expired inspection, motor vehicle registration and failure to appear in court.

Credit card leads to arrest of church burglars

SOMERSET, Pa. (AP) — Two men jailed on charges they burglarized a western Pennsylvania church were caught after state police found a personal credit card one of the suspects dropped, which they had to use to jimmy open a door after locking themselves inside the building.

An attorney for 27-year-old Ian Koval didn't immediately return a call for comment Tuesday, when he and Woodrow Engle, also 27, were scheduled for a preliminary hearing on the charges. Court records don't list an attorney for Engle.

State police say the men burglarized the Somerset Church of the Brethren on Thursday and stole a church debit card they used to withdraw \$904 from an automatic teller machine.

Police say they identified the men from surveillance video at the machine — and by tracing the name on the credit card they dropped.

Burglar makes snack, takes towel rack

MONROE, Mich. (AP) — Authorities say a hungry burglar apparently made and ate a sandwich at a southeastern Michigan home before taking off with a \$25 towel rack.

The Monroe Evening News reports (http://bit.ly/VaYM49) the theft happened sometime between Friday night and Saturday morning while a family was away from a Monroe home.

Police in the city about

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35 miles southwest of Detroit say nothing else was missing besides lunchmeat and cheese. A plate was left behind on a counter.

A police report didn't name any possible suspects.

Dog in car's grill survives long ride

TAUNTON, Mass. (AP) — Animal welfare authorities say a dog survived an 11-mile ride from Massachusetts to Rhode Island — at speeds of up to 50 miles per hour — after it was hit by a car and became wedged under the front grill.

East Providence Animal Control supervisor William Muggle says the female poodle mix ran in front of the car in Taunton on Sept. 20. The driver slammed on the brakes, but didn't see the dog, so continued driving.

Muggle tells the Taunton Daily Gazette (http://bit.ly/SvUTE) that it wasn't until the driver reached East Providence, R.I., that another motorist pointed out the dog.

The driver went to the police station, where animal control officials freed the fluffy white pooch. The dog suffered a concussion and possibly a minor bladder rupture.

Authorities are now trying to find its owner.

170-mile Michigan bathtub push planned

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich. (AP) — Members

of a fraternity plan to push a street-modified bathtub roughly 170 miles across part of the Upper Peninsula this week to raise money for a police department.

WLUC-TV reports (http://bit.ly/WcU57Q) the annual Tau Kappa Epsilon fundraiser is Friday.

The trip is planned for between Sault Ste. Marie, which is home to Lake Superior State University, and Marquette, which is home to Northern Michigan University.

In previous years the effort has raised money for research on Alzheimer's disease, the Upper Peninsula Children's Museum and Special Olympics.

Proceeds this year benefit the Marquette police department's K-9 unit.

Russians want wedding shooters to be jailed

MOSCOW (AP) — It was an unusual wedding escort even for Moscow's brash style: A red Ferrari led a motorcade in which guests fired celebratory shots from car windows as they sped down one of the city's main avenues near Red Square.

Sunday's parade drew an angry reaction from the Kremlin-controlled parliament, where senior lawmakers voiced outrage Monday after wedding guests from the province of Dagestan in Russia's North Caucasus walked away with \$3 fines. Just one man was ordered to pay a \$60 fine by police who stopped the motorcade just outside the Kremlin.

Video of the incident also prompted angry comments from ethnic Russians, who denounced the wedding traditions brought into the Russian capital from the volatile Caucasus. Some called for tougher punishment for such behavior.

In an apparent response to the public outcry, a Moscow judge handed out a 15-day jail sentence to one of the shooters, the Interfax news agency reported.

Vladimir Zhirinovskiy, leader of Liberal Demo-

cratic Party, said Monday while it's "a sign of joy" for people from the Caucasus to shoot off guns in celebration, "here it's a sign of robbery, banditry." He suggested such incidents be punishable by up to two years in jail.

Sergei Zheleznyak of the pro-Kremlin United Russia party suggested that celebratory gunfire should land a 15-day jail sentence, and substantial fines.

"Meager fines for hooliganism with the use of firearms are a mockery of law and common sense," he said.

Millions of mostly Muslim natives of Dagestan and other Caucasus provinces flooded into western Russia after the 1991 Soviet collapse. Some have formed ethnic gangs notorious for their cruelty, and many others have been involved in violent clashes with ethnic Russian nationalists and soccer fans.

Many Russians harbor anti-Caucasus sentiments, and even those who would not describe themselves as racist are resentful of the hefty subsidies sent to the Caucasus, particularly to Chechnya.

The money is designed to bring stability after two separatist wars in Chechnya, but the region remains deeply impoverished while provincial leaders and officials flaunt their wealth and are often seen driving expensive cars and throwing extravagant wedding parties.

A 19-year-old Chechen man was arrested for three days and fined \$150 in 2010 after drunk-driving his SUV over the Grave of an Unknown Soldier just outside the Kremlin.

Alexei Navalny, an anti-corruption lawyer and popular blogger who has helped organize a wave of massive anti-Kremlin protests, said the wedding guests got away with tiny fines because of their connections.

"This single episode completely changes our ideas about what hooliganism and anti-social behavior are," he commented in his blog Monday.

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Dog

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Along with Pretty, Heiskell owns another Black Lab mix named Lady, who is Pretty's 4-year-old daughter. Heiskell said the female dogs stay in the house while her two male dogs are kept in the back yard.

Lt. Terry L. Cox, spokesman for the Sheriff's Office, said two deputies drove to Heiskell's house Saturday to serve her civil process papers.

One deputy stayed in the vehicle to remain in contact with dispatch while another deputy approached the house, he said.

As the deputy walked up to the house, a dog that he described as a Rottweiler mix came running out the front door.

At first, the deputy thought the animal was on a standard leash, Cox said, but it turned out to be a retractable leash.

The deputy returned to the vehicle, and then observed some children come out of the house, who the dog was friendly to, Cox said.

The deputy thought he may have surprised the dog, so he exited the car again to serve the papers. This time, two black dogs came running toward him, lunged at him and attempted to bite him, Cox said. The second dog, Lady, is Pretty's 4-year-old daughter.

The deputy kicked one dog out of the way, but the other dog wouldn't retreat so he pulled out his service

weapon and shot the dog, Cox said.

Cox said the gun was fired at an angle so that if the bullet passed through the animal, it would hit the ground.

The deputy was aware of the child standing nearby, Cox said.

"That was the first thing that went through his mind," he said. "Officers are taught to always think what's down range."

Heiskell said the deputy could have used either pepper spray or a "stun gun" to subdue the dog.

Cox said deputies do not carry pepper spray and a taser would not have been effective in that situation.

The deputy was being charged by two animals, and if he had used a taser on one animal, he would have had to replace the cartridge before using it again on the other one.

Cox said a witness to Saturday's incident gave a statement to the Sheriff's Office: "I have seen a black dog from the same address attack a woman and her son."

Heiskell insisted that her dogs have never bit anyone, and that they are only being protective when they bark at strangers.

She said she contacted The Pampa News after some friends advised her she should do something about the shooting is still deciding whether she will contact a lawyer.

Cox showed The Pampa News 22 complaints to Animal Control that were lodged against Heiskell since March 2007.

Some of the complaints are about a Black Lab chasing cars, others are about postal workers not being able to deliver mail, while others are about her dogs not having food and water.

An August 2009 report states that Animal Control picked up 12 dogs from Heiskell's residence.

Heiskell said the dogs were a litter of puppies, probably not as many as 12, that she gave to Animal Control because she was going out of town and didn't have time to find homes for the puppies by any other means.

"Is it a crime to give away puppies?" she said.

Heiskell said she was not aware of the complaints about postal workers not being able to deliver mail or that her outdoor dogs were left without food and water.

She said the outdoor dogs can get water by licking a water spicket, and, since they are fed in an outdoor shelter, her neighbors wouldn't be able to see where she keeps their food or the dogs eating.

Heiskell said she never lets the two female dogs out of the house except on a retractable leash.

The day Pretty was shot, her 10-year-old grandson had the front door partially open so the dog could go outside to go to the bathroom.

Heiskell said the shooting was upsetting to her grandchildren, who at first confused the two female dogs.

"They shot Lady! They shot Lady!," Heiskell said

the children screamed, but it was actually Pretty who was shot.

Heiskell said after Pretty was shot she ran almost as far as Price Road.

She said she took the dog to a veterinarian, but couldn't afford to pay the vet to treat the dog.

Heiskell said the vet gave Pretty a shot of pain killers and gave her some antibiotics to take home.

"He said if Pretty made it through the night she would have serious infections," she said.

She took Pretty home, where the dog died.

Heiskell said she is not only upset that her dog died, but that the deputy who shot Pretty didn't apologize or show any grief.

Cox said it is sad that her dog was killed, but the deputy was doing what he had to do to protect himself.

"It was unfortunate for the woman to lose the animal," he said. "As a pet owner I can understand that she'd be upset."

Agent

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er the agents returned fire, she said.

The wounded agent was airlifted to a hospital after being shot in the ankle and buttocks, the Border Patrol said. He is in surgery and expected to recover, McCubbin said.

Authorities have not identified the agents who were assigned to the Naco station, about 100 miles southeast of Tucson.

The last U.S. Border Patrol agent fatally shot on duty was Brian Terry,

who was killed in a shootout with Mexican bandits near the border in December 2010. The shooting was later linked to the Fast and Furious gun smuggling operation.

The border patrol station in Naco was recently named after Terry.

The FBI, which also is investigating the shooting, did not immediately return calls Tuesday.



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paigned, he faced questions about his age in a contest against 56-year-old Walter Mondale, the former vice president.

One of the debate's moderators, Baltimore Sun diplomatic correspondent Henry Trehwhitt, cast Reagan's age as "an issue that I think has been lurking out there for two or three weeks" and a matter of national security.

"You already are the oldest president in history and some of your staff say you were tired after your most recent encounter with Mr. Mondale," Trehwhitt said. "I recall yet that President Kennedy had to go for days on end with very little sleep during the Cuban missile crisis. Is there any doubt in your mind that you would be able to function in such circumstances?"

Reagan was ready with his retort.

"I want you to know that, also, I will not make age an issue of this campaign. I am not going to exploit, for political purposes, my opponent's youth and inexperience," he said to laughter. "If I

still have time, I might add, Mr. Trehwhitt, I might add that it was Seneca or it was Cicero — I don't know which — that said, 'If it was not for the elders correcting the mistakes of the young, there would be no state.'"

LLOYD BENTSEN: "Senator, you are no Jack Kennedy."

George H.W. Bush's pick for vice president, fresh-faced Sen. Dan Quayle of Indiana, got multiple questions about his preparedness to assume the office during a 1988 debate.

"I want to take you back to the question that I asked you earlier about what would happen if you were to take over in an emergency, and what you would do first and why," moderator Brit Hume told Quayle.

"You said you would say a prayer, and you said something about a meeting. What would you do next?"

"I don't believe that it's proper for me to get into the specifics of a hypothetical situation like that," Quayle replied.

Moderator Tom Brokaw later pressed Quayle: "If you cite the experience that you had in Congress,

surely you must have some plan in mind about what you would do if it fell to you to become president of the United States, as it has to so many vice presidents just in the last 25 years or so."

"Three times that I've had this question," a frustrated Quayle said before teeing up a rehearsed answer.

"I have far more experience than many others that sought the office of vice president of this country. I have as much experience in the Congress as Jack Kennedy did when he sought the presidency."

Quayle's Democratic rival, Texas Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, pounced: "Senator, I served with Jack Kennedy. I knew Jack Kennedy. Jack Kennedy was a friend of mine. Senator, you are no Jack Kennedy."

"That was really uncalled for, senator," replied Quayle.

"You are the one that was making the comparison, senator," Bentsen shot back. "And I'm one who knew him well."

Bentsen, running mate to Michael Dukakis, scored the win in that debate, but the Democrats nonetheless lost the election to Bush.

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Pampa's Pink Out!

PHS students fighting breast cancer should be commended

We should all applaud the efforts of Pampa High School students involved in the school's fourth annual Pink Out!

It's designed to raise money to assist patients and their family members who are battling breast cancer, as well as cancer survivors.

To raise money, student council members and cheerleaders are selling pink T-shirts, enamored with this year's slogan, "Keep Calm and Fight On," each day at lunch. The T-shirts cost \$15 each.

On Oct. 11 there will be a Pink Out! pep rally beginning

Our View

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at 7 p.m. at McNeely gym. Before the rally, there will be a free hamburger cookout from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the commons area, sponsored by Carter Sand and Gravel. Donations will be accepted for the hamburger meal.

The Pink Out! home football game is set for Friday, Oct. 12, when the PHS student council and Pampa Regional Medical Center will have lots of pink

giveaways.

In 2012 alone, there has been 226,870 new cases of female breast cancer diagnosed, along with 2,190 men, according to the National Cancer Institute.

"More and more younger women are being diagnosed with breast cancer," said Melissa Thomas, 39, of Pampa, who was diagnosed with breast cancer in August 2011.

She right, so educating young people on the dangers of breast cancer is more critical than ever. Which makes PHS Pink Out! even more important. Thanks!

Why defense spending matters in this election

By **ROBERT BURNS**
 AP National Security Writer

The issue:

Is the U.S. spending enough money on defense, and is it spending it in the right ways? In the aftermath of the 9/11 terrorist attacks the money spigot was turned wide open, pouring hundreds of billions of dollars into the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and expanding the armed forces. Now that's changing, and an important issue in the election is whether budget cuts have gone too far.

Where they stand:

President Barack Obama wants to put the brakes on growth in the defense budget. He reasons that a new era of austerity at the Pentagon won't hurt American security. Earlier this year, Obama adopted a military strategy to fit leaner budgets and to take into account that U.S. troops are winding down a decade of wars.

Republican nominee Mitt Romney takes a far different view. He argues that Obama has presided over a military decline, and defense budgets need to grow faster.

He wants to add tens of billions of dollars a year to the Pentagon's core budget, particularly to build Navy ships at a faster pace and to reverse troop cuts.

Why it matters:

There are plenty of potential security threats on the horizon, not to mention an unfinished war in Afghanistan.

The size and shape of the defense budget go a long way toward determining whether the U.S. can influence events abroad, prevent new wars and be ready for those it can't avoid. It also fuels the domestic defense industry in ways that affect the economic vitality of communities large and small across the country.

The Pentagon's budget, including war costs, is \$670 billion this year, or about 18 percent of total federal spending. The dollar amount has more than doubled since 2001, when the U.S. began a decade of wars. Under Obama's plan it will grow by \$259 billion less over the next five years than previously envisioned.

The hope is to align defense budgets with the most worrisome security threats, Iran being a case in point. Its suspected drive to build a nuclear weapon could lead to war.

Diplomacy is at the forefront of Obama's strategy for preventing a nuclear-armed Iran, but at the same time he is building up U.S. forces in the Persian Gulf region near Iran, including missile defenses that could protect Gulf allies in the event of an Iran war.

Obama also wants more focus on Asia-Pacific security issues, starting with China's rapid military modernization. But that and other elements of his new military strategy could come apart at the seams if Congress and the administration don't come up with a way to avoid automatic budget cuts starting in January.

If such a budget deal is not reached in time, the Pentagon would absorb an additional \$500 billion in cuts over the decade.

That was put in place by a bipartisan deal reached in August 2011 between the White House and Congress.

At its core, the debate over whether the U.S. is spending enough on defense — and whether the dollars are being invested wisely — gets down to this: What should America defend against? Is it the al-Qaida terrorist network, which has been the central focus of U.S. defense strategy for a decade but is now in decline? Is it China, which is gaining military strength and flexing its muscle in regional disputes? Is it Russia, whose nuclear arsenal is the only one in the world still capable, in theory, of destroying the United States?

One lesson of 9/11 and the two wars that followed is that the U.S. has a poor track record of preparing for the right threat.



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A three-part debate that starts with 'Aw, shucks'

By **CONNIE CASS**
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WASHINGTON — A presidential debate is more than just the 90 minutes onstage. For the campaigns, it's a three-part performance, and the first one's already started:

Part I: Aw-shucks time

Nobody wants to sound like a winner — not yet. Low expectations can help a so-so performance seem like a success.

So President Barack Obama calls Republican challenger Mitt Romney "a good debater" and says he's "just OK" himself. His aides grouse that Romney's been getting more rehearsal time, while Obama's busy being president.

For his part, Romney

praises Obama as "a very eloquent, gifted speaker." And, despite his numerous GOP primary match-ups, Romney notes, "I've never been in a presidential debate like this."

Part II: Tension city

The first of the three presidential debates — Wednesday at 9 p.m. EDT in Denver — should bring the biggest audience of any campaign event. More than 52 million TV viewers watched Obama's initial match-up with John McCain in 2008.

Despite all the rehearsal, something's bound to take the candidates by surprise, and they'll be judged by how they improvise on the fly. Talk about "tension city," as former President George H.W. Bush described it.

But maybe Romney and Obama should each take a deep breath. After all, how likely is it that either one will commit a big enough blunder — or score a large enough triumph — to overshadow months of campaigning? Studies find viewers tend to see the guy they preferred going into the debate as the winner when it's over.

"When is it that anybody performs so badly that you'd just say, 'Oh, my God, I would never vote for this person?'" said Rutgers University professor Richard Lau, who studies how voters decide. "Someone would have to seem so incompetent. That's not going to happen."

Part III: The spin

It's not over when the

candidates walk off stage.

Campaign aides and big political names will descend on the "spin room" to tell reporters and after-debate TV audiences that the other guy blew it, and why.

Viewers may feel they're judging what they saw and heard for themselves. But campaign strategists think getting the spin right goes a long way toward deciding who "won."

According to Tad Devine, who was a top adviser to Democratic candidates Al Gore and John Kerry, pre-debate expectations and post-debate spin "can take on more significance than what happened in the debate itself."

"Each one of those three is critically important," he said.

Social Security shows differences in candidates

By **STEPHEN OHLEMACHER**
 Associated Press

The issue:

Unless Congress acts, the trust funds that support Social Security will run out of money in 2033, according to the trustees who oversee the retirement and disability program. At that point, Social Security would collect only enough tax revenue each year to pay about 75 percent of benefits. That benefit cut wouldn't sit well with the millions of older Americans who rely on Social Security for most of their income.

Where they stand:

President Barack Obama hasn't laid out a detailed plan for addressing Social Security. He's called for bipartisan talks on strengthening the program but he didn't embrace the plan

produced by a bipartisan deficit reduction panel he created in 2010.

Republican challenger Mitt Romney proposes a gradual increase in the retirement age to account for growing life expectancy. For future generations, Romney would slow the growth of benefits "for those with higher incomes."

Why it matters:

For millions of retired and disabled workers, Social Security is pretty much all they have to live on, even though monthly benefits are barely enough to keep them out of poverty. Monthly payments average \$1,237 for retired workers and \$1,111 for disabled workers. Most older Americans rely on Social Security for a majority of their income; many rely on it for 90 percent or more, according to the Social Security

Administration.

Social Security is already the largest federal program and it's getting bigger as millions of baby boomers reach retirement. More than 56 million retirees, disabled workers, spouses and children get Social Security benefits. That number that will grow to 91 million by 2035, according to congressional estimates.

Social Security could handle the growing number of beneficiaries if there were more workers paying payroll taxes. But most baby boomers didn't have as many children as their parents did, leaving relatively fewer workers to pay into the system.

In 1960, there were 4.9 workers for each person getting benefits. Today, there are about 2.8 workers for each beneficiary, and that ratio will drop to 1.9 workers by 2035.

Nevertheless, Social Security is ripe for con-

gressional action in the next year or two, if lawmakers get serious about addressing the nation's long-term financial problems. Why? Because Social Security is fixable.

Despite the program's long-term problems, Social Security could be preserved for generations to come with modest but politically difficult changes to benefits or taxes, or a combination of both. Some options could affect people quickly, such as increasing payroll taxes or reducing annual cost-of-living adjustments for those who already get benefits. Other options, such as gradually raising the retirement age, wouldn't be felt for years but would affect millions of younger workers.

Fixing Social Security won't be easy. All the options carry political risks because they could affect nearly every U.S. family.

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Worship

The most important issue in the election?

Aren't you just about fed up with every reporter and newscaster and politician telling you what "the most important issue" is in this year's presidential election? Well, I hope you aren't totally fed up yet. Why? Because here is a preacher who wants to tell you what he believes the most important issue is in this year's presidential election.



Mike Sublett

From all of the commercials and news programs and speeches you would think that it was IRAQ. WRONG! Well, is it the national economy and jobs and personal income? WRONG! How about social security? WRONG! Health care? WRONG! Education and schools? WRONG! Terrorism? WRONG!

So what then is the most important issue in this year's presidential election? I'm glad you asked. Since Jan. 22, 1973 there has been no serious question as to which issue has been the most important to God in every national election. ABORTION!

People understandably cry out in agony and tears all over America about the war in Iraq and the 1,000+ deaths of American soldiers and of the 3,000+ deaths on September 11, 2001. And each of those 4,000+ deaths are horrible. But they aren't the biggest issue in this year's presidential election; AT LEAST NOT TO GOD! And don't tell me I just don't understand because you see I have a son named Chad in basic training at Fort Knox right now and our family realizes that he could be in Iraq before Christmas. I understand clearly how horrible those 4,000+ deaths were and are.

But I also understand that 4,000+ defenseless babies are murdered EVERY 2 DAYS and have been for over 30 years. Over 40 million abortions have been performed since January 22, 1973 right here in the good old USA. And God has cried more than 40 million tears over those years.

Are you thinking that I'm just another "anti-abortion" nut? Well, you're right. But I'm in pretty good company. You see, God is too. Are you thinking that I'm arrogantly presumptuous trying to speak for God? Well then, let's just let God's book talk for Him.

Psalm 139:13-14 "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well." Doesn't sound much like "tissue" removal, huh?

Lk.1:41ff "When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her

womb, ... As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy."

Lk 2:12, 16 "This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger. ... So they hurried off and found Mary and Joseph, and the baby, who was lying in the manger." You see, in the New Testament, the same Greek word for baby ("brephos") is used to describe both an unborn baby inside the womb and a baby outside the womb. It seems that when God inspired the Holy Scriptures He just wasn't as smart as the Supreme Court was back in 1973. NOT!

Now here is the real punch line. Ex 21:22-25 "If men who are fighting hit a pregnant woman and she gives birth prematurely but there is no serious injury, the offender must be fined whatever the woman's husband demands and the court allows. But if there is serious injury, you are to take life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, burn for burn, wound for wound, bruise for bruise. God instructed Moses to tell the Israelites that if a man injured a pregnant woman and it caused the death of that baby in the womb, the man was to be killed (life for life). Not very tolerant, huh. God treated it just as harshly as any other murder. Why? Because "inside womb" or "outside womb" is irrelevant to God. Life is life!

I am sick of people claiming to be Christians who then not only tolerate these murders, but have the audacity to vote for candidates who guard with passion the rights of pregnant women and doctors to join forces to carry out the SUPREME ACT OF TERRORISM against a defenseless child.

God's opinion on this issue is so clear that a person would either have to be blind or deceived or an unbeliever to miss it. So if you think that abortion isn't really that big of a deal, just be sure to remember that there will come a day when not only all murderers will receive their just due from the Father of those 40 million+ victims, but those enablers who supported the murderers will answer to that same angry Father.

And on this issue of ABORTION our 2 major political parties stand at opposite poles. And if you don't know who stands where God has always stood on this issue, then its time for you to get up and do your homework. And if someone tries to tell you that God doesn't really have an opinion on this issue, call that person a FALSE TEACHER and ignore anything else that comes out of his or her mouth!

If you are a Christian: Don't vote Republican! And don't vote Democrat! And don't vote Independent! VOTE GOD! God bless. Mike

My Son's Red Velvet Cupcake

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Today is the second Monday of kindergarten for both my son and me. I walked him in to drop off his backpack and discuss "after school exit strategy" with his new teacher. After we walked out into the hall, I saw a row of beautifully colored cupcakes with lots of sparkles and jewels posted on the wall.

I was so busy looking at the sparkle glued on the blue-colored cupcakes that I didn't notice the only one that was colored red instead of blue.

"That's my cupcake," my son informed me. "You had to color your cupcake blue if you had a brother or sister so I had to color mine red."

I quickly scanned the row of cupcakes. Not one other red cupcake. All blue.

"Were you sad that you were the only one without a brother or sister?" I whispered.

"Yes! This is why I tell you all the time I want to adopt a sister!" he huffed as he quickly walked down the hall toward the playground. (Something he has been doing regularly since he watched the movie Annie last year.)

"I know," I quickly retorted. "I wish you had a sister, too."

But surely he is not the only kindergartener in this school that is an only child, I thought to myself. So as I walked by the second kindergarten room I looked at all of their cupcakes posted on the wall.

All blue. Yep. He's the only red cupcake.

He gave me a hug and scurried to the playground, and as I walked home I did what any mom of an only child would do ... I cried.

As much as he wants a sibling, I think I want it for him more. I can't imagine my life without my brothers, and I wish I could give him the same. But God knows this. He and I have talked about this issue on more than one occasion. And he knows what the future holds, and it might just involve a single red cupcake.

The only red cupcake. What a metaphor for my child. He is definitely different. Always has been. He was pouring and flipping pancakes in the kitchen this morning before school for his dad and me. He most certainly is not the average six-year-old. But then I

got to thinking that he is certainly NOT the only red cupcake.

In an ocean of blue cupcakes, I feel like the red one most any day of the week. I am a red cupcake, too. So are you. We are all unique and different. Not one of us fits in quite perfectly.

And then another analogy came to me. I was thinking about my brother's church, Paint This Town Red Ministries, and how my Christian family proudly claims the color red as the blood of Christ, which has made us nothing less than perfect in God's eyes.

Red's a good color. A saving color. An extraordinary color. The color of life both now and later. Being a red cupcake is not something to cry about. It's something to celebrate.

There are two more kindergarten walls across the building I need to check after school. Surely there has to be one other only child in that entire kindergarten. But if there's not — and he is indeed the only red cupcake — that's okay.

No, that's ... wonderful.

I've always had a thing for red velvet cake.

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daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Oct. 4, 2012:
This year others can count on you for feedback, as you tend to be quite verbose. Your ability to detach from yourself and your life will prove to be essential to your year and overall happiness. Distant elements, educational opportunities, travel and issues involving the law might not move as fast as you'd like, but you will arrive where you want to be in due time. If you are single, you could meet several people. The person who is quite different will be the right one for you. If attached, a trip will invigorate your relationship. Keeping communication open will be a snap. GEMINI always has a different perspective.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Remedy any confusion, at least on your side. With your busy pace, you might regret nixing an event or an offer to take a break. Be aware that in the next several months, you might very well have a similar opportunity again; just don't let it slip by. Tonight: Express what you have been holding back.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Note an emerging possessive streak. What is going on with you? You might need to take a timeout for a personal assessment and for working on your self-image. Consider making a much-needed change that you have in mind. It will only serve to benefit you. Tonight: Take care of errands first.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You are comfortable with having a plethora of options. You might regret a recent decision you have made, but you will have an opportunity to remedy that remorse soon enough. Hang in there. A boss or higher-up acts in the most unexpected manner. Tonight: Out and about.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You have several days before you have to make a decision. Think carefully about what you will choose. Make appointments to see your doctor and dentist — not that you will have a problem, but it could prevent a problem from happening. Surprises lie ahead. Tonight: Get some R and R while you can.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You could regroup and become upbeat about a difficult situation. Use this skill more often to avoid being upset or for trying to understand a different perspective. You might be hoping for some positive news. It could be delayed, but it will happen.

Tonight: Find fun with a friend.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Be willing to take a stand, no matter what is occurring. Key people might act erratically. Someone dotes on you adoringly; let this person know what you want. You feel upbeat, despite your many responsibilities. Tonight: Out and about.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Reach out for someone at a distance. A cohort could be distorting a situation more than you realize. You will gain more information and insight about this person if you speak to him or her about opening up lines of communication. Tonight: Times are changing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You have a lot to say and do. A close associate steps in, as he or she needs attention and wants to express some creativity. Be careful — the unexpected could occur with this person. An offer or invitation will reappear. This time, be sure to make a fast decision. Tonight: Try out a suggestion.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You might be overwhelmed by requests. In some cases, you will need to say "no." Some of the key people in your life could be more unstable than usual. Give them space if a difficult conversation occurs. Tonight: Consider starting the weekend early.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Focus on errands and your own well-being. If you are working, you might experience a need to be very attentive. Take nothing for granted today — not your pet, health, favorite plant or group of friends. Make sure to give enough attention to each of these. Tonight: Put your feet up. Relax.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Your creativity and ingenuity could take an interesting turn. You might wonder exactly what works and what will remain experimental, until you find the answers. Remember that with you, everything changes quickly. A child or loved one needs to open up, yet he or she might pull back at the slightest lack of interest. Tonight: Let the fun begin.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Anchor in and enjoy yourself. You could have a lot of questions about a real-estate matter and/or a domestic issue. You cannot push right now in these areas, but you can remain open to conversations when others are ready. You might feel differently in a few days. Tonight: Order in.

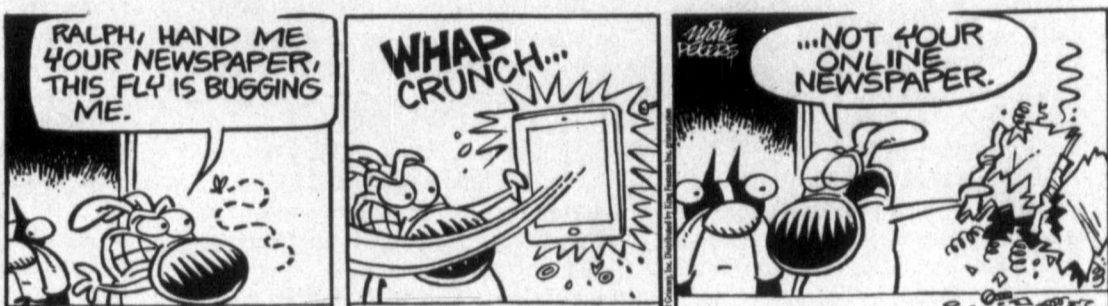
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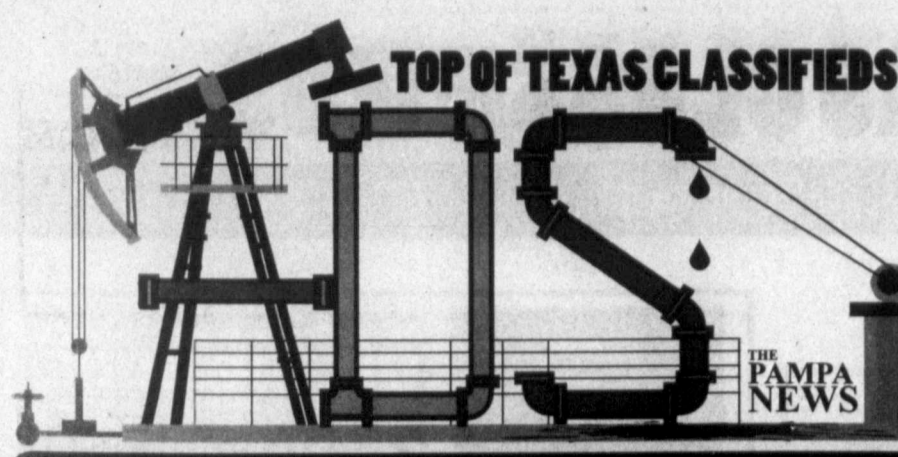
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Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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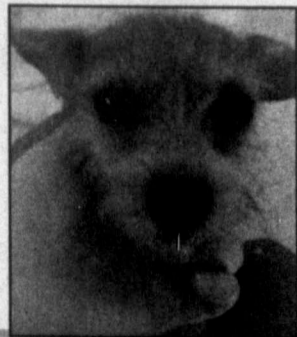
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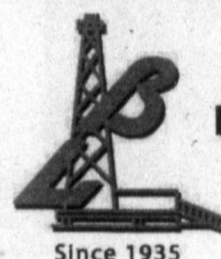


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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My husband, "Aaron," had an affair with the woman next door. We were close friends. I found out three months ago, and needless to say I'm not happy about it. My husband and I spent a lot of time with her (he obviously more than I).

Aaron swears the affair is over, and he wants us to become a close threesome again. (She's in the process of divorcing her husband, who knows nothing about the affair.)

The three of us have gone to the beach, to the lake, dancing — just like old times. My husband is thrilled; I am miserable.

I am not convinced the affair is over, so I feel compelled to keep my eye on them. Every time we go out together, I come home upset and frustrated. Aaron says I'm being unreasonable and keeping him on a "short leash." He sees no reason why we can't all be friends — but I have no desire to be friends with her.

Aaron and I have been together more than 20 years. I don't want to divorce him. I need to know what to do without driving him back into her arms. I have suggested counseling. He says he doesn't need it. What do you think I should do about this awkward situation? — **NOT LOVING MY NEIGHBOR**

DEAR NOT LOVING: Three is a crowd, and your husband's insistence that you continue this painful and degrading threesome is highly suspicious. Please waste no time in getting counseling. If your husband refuses, go without him. It will make you stronger and help you to feel better about yourself at a time when you need it most.

You may not "want" a divorce, but be smart and discuss your options and a fair division of property with a lawyer NOW, so should a divorce be thrust upon you, you will be prepared in advance. You should also talk to a CPA, who can help you locate all the assets in your marriage. This will also give you peace of mind when

you tell your husband that the threesome is history. I wish you the best of luck.

DEAR ABBY: My long-time friend "Mona," a busy professional and social butterfly, had a baby last year. Her son is now a toddler. Aside from his regular day care, Mona is lining up baby sitters so she can resume her social life.

She has asked me to volunteer. I do not relate well to young children. I have had no experience with them and, quite frankly, want none.

Mona has always known this, but when I told her I didn't think it would work out for me to baby-sit, she took offense and accused me of being a bad friend.

Now I feel guilty because Mona has always been good to me. However, I'm more than a little resentful that she put me in this position, knowing how I feel about kids. How should I handle this? — **NOT KEEN ON KIDS**

DEAR NOT KEEN ON

KIDS: True friends don't impose on their friends for baby-sitting services when they've been told it would be awkward. Stand your ground and don't allow yourself to be manipulated. You shouldn't feel guilty about your feelings. Many people feel the same way.

DEAR ABBY: This morning as I was wheeling my grocery cart to the "return" area in our local grocery store parking lot, a boy of about 9 had the nerve to tell me, "Don't smoke."

While I agree with parents who teach their children that smoking is harmful, I also feel they should teach their children to respect their elders (I'm 52) and to mind their own business.

Am I wrong to feel this child was out of line? — **LIGHTING UP IN MIMS, FLA.**

DEAR LIGHTING UP: The child was not being disrespectful — he was being honest. From the mouths of babes ...

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Sports

Wildcats on the horizon for the Harvesters

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The Pampa Harvesters will host the Canadian Wildcats this Friday in the first of a stretch of Home games in October.

The Harvesters will play three of their next four games at home, two being against district rivals.

This being the last game before district starts, and will be the Harvesters last chance to fine tune their offense and defense.

"We have common opponents, and by playing Canadian we really see where we measure up



Photo by Gayden Hays
HAND OFF? Ryan Smith fakes a handoff to Kristian Vizcaino during a non-district game versus Canyon. Smith is the second leading rusher on the team this year, rushing the ball for more than 250 yards. Sammy Smith the only back with more yardage.

against our district competition," commented Coach Heath Parker when asked about the importance of the last non-district game.

Pampa and Canadian common opponents this year are Perryton, Borger, and Bushland.

This game will give the staff a chance to see analyze game films of their district rivals.

The Wildcats despite the fact they have moved up a classification to 2A this year are expected to win district, and are projected to move deep into the Texas High School football playoffs.

"They are similar to Bushland and run identical schemes. However, they execute their plays faster and more efficiently," said Parker about the offensive style that the Wildcats will employ.

The offensive style that the Wildcats will show to the Harvesters is a spread offense that is geared to pass first, and run second with bootlegs and counter plays.

Defensively Canadian has a group of returning lettermen especially at linebacker and defensive line that performed outstanding, carrying the wildcats to the Area round in the playoffs in 2011.

The Harvesters, despite their loss last week, have

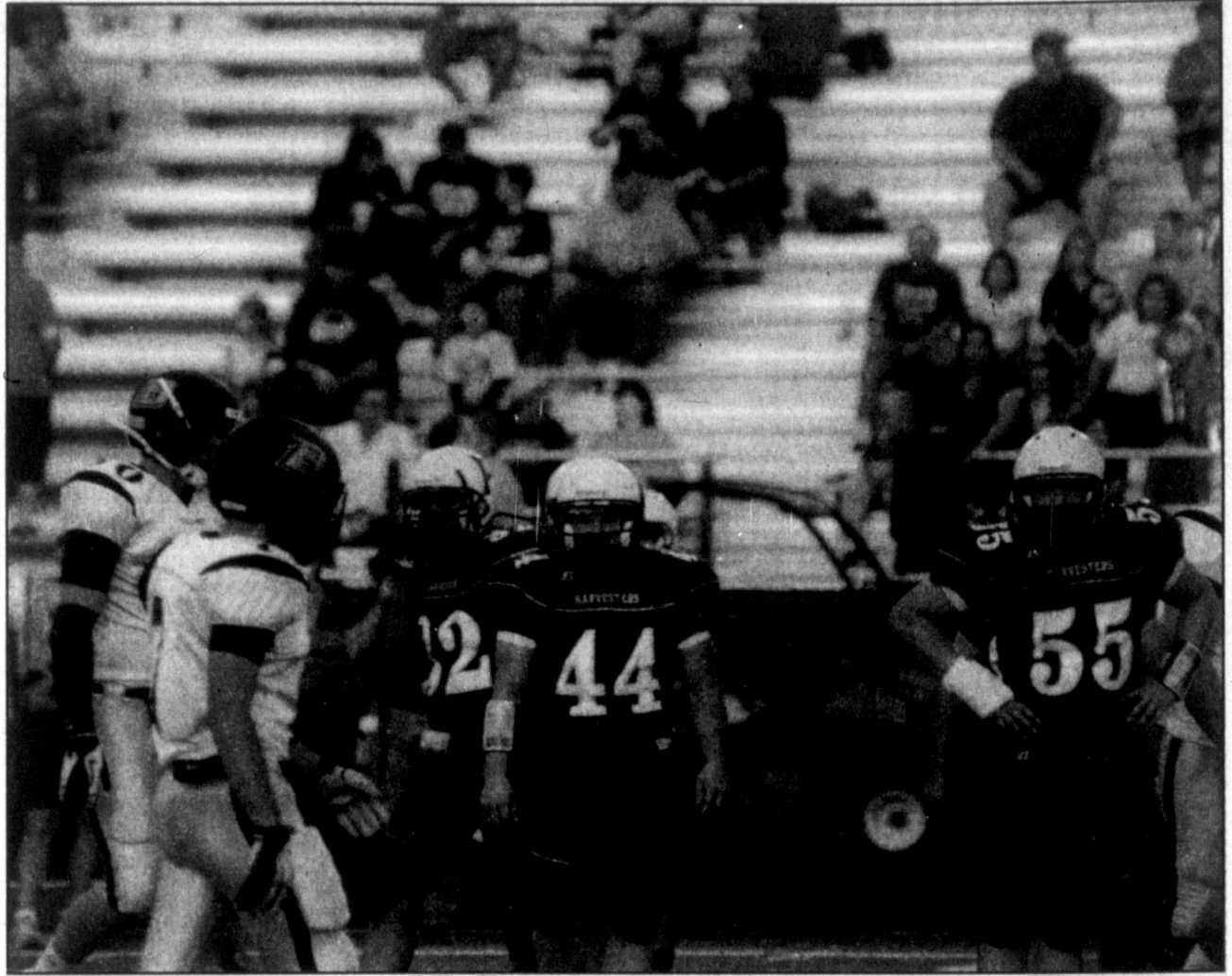


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DEFENSIVE STAND. Chris Rivera, Larry Regan and Kyler Allen, along with the rest of the Pampa Harvester defense, will host the Canadian Wildcats, Friday at 7:30 p.m. at home.

improved defensively, and did hold the Vernon Lions 200 yards under their usual offensive output.

"It was a physical game and we got banged up, but

no more than any other team at this time of the year," said Parker.

"Our players are focusing on October, it is the most important month in

high school football. We have three of Four games at home, and we need to use this to our advantage." Pampa will play Canadian Friday at

Harvester Field, and the game begins at 7:30 p.m. This will be their last non-district game, before Perryton and league play begins on Oct. 12.

Harvester Alumni steam roll over Wellington 22-0

TAYLOR HARRIS
Contributing Writer

On a rain-soaked practice field with minimal lighting, the Pampa Football Alumni Team improved their overall record to 5-0 by beating the Wellington Skyrocket Alumni 22-0 on Saturday evening.

Rain, mud and the Green and Gold all came flooding into Wellington in what turned out to be another dominating performance by both the Pampa offense and defense.

It took Pampa and Wellington a full quarter of football to get their bearings on a muddy surface with very little footing.

As in the past, however, Pampa's game plan was put into action and there was little Wellington could do to stop the Harvesters.

Rushing yards came in bunches as the offensive line made running lanes at will for running back Marques Long.

Long ran over, around and through the Skyrocket defense with ease with the help of Center Jeff Warren, Guards Daniel Rivera

and Tanner Winkler and Tackles Tim Dudley and Taylor Harris.

Long finished the game with close to 100 rushing yards and cashed in on two 2-point conversions with hard-nosed rushing efforts.

The amount of rushing yards accumulated by Long was even more impressive taking into account the field conditions and lack of proper lighting, especially as darkness fell late into the game.

Quarterback Jason Roark took advantage of the Skyrocket defense throwing for more than 250 passing yards and two touchdowns through the air. Roark had enough time in the pocket to read and re-read the defense as Roark's passing touchdowns covered 49 and 22 yards respectively.

The Harvester receivers reaped the benefits of Roark's passing barrage as the ball was well distributed among all of those talented athletes.

Roark then willed his way into the end zone on the ground in the third quarter, putting the Harvesters up by 22 points.

As has been the calling card for Harvester teams of the past, the defense again showed up and shut down the opposition.

Although the Harvester offense put the defense in a bind early, the solid tackling of Aaron Wiseman, Aaron Hayden, Matt Dudley, Nick Dudley and Taylor Busse come through again and again.

The Harvester defense stifled the rushing attack of the Skyrockets and when the ball went up in the air, Marcel Brown and Jarred Bowles each snared an interception.

The penetration of the defensive line seemed too much for the Wellington offensive line as the quarterback and running back were constantly harassed and both fumbled numerous times.

Stephen Lemke and

Bobby Lacher reaped the rewards and recovered two of the many Skyrocket fumbles.

The Skyrockets could not get their offense rolling due to the tenacious

Harvester defensive line, linebackers and secondary and were held to 0 points and less than 150 total yards.

The clock read 0:00 as the Harvester Alumni

pitched a shutout to remain undefeated.

Coach Jason Burklow was greeted with hugs and a Gatorade bath. It was and always is a great day to be a Harvester.

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Elite	3-1	4-4	Outlaws	5-3	5-3
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