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Abortion rate falls 5%, biggest drop in decade

By MIKE STOBBE AP Medical Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — U.S. abortions fell 5 percent during the recession and its aftermath in the biggest one-year decrease in at least a decade, perhaps because women are more careful to use birth control when times are tough, researchers say.

The decline, detailed on Wednesday by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention,

came in 2009, the most recent year for which statistics are available. Both the number of abortions and the abortion rate dropped by the same percentage.

Some experts theorize that some women believed they couldn't afford to get pregnant.

"They stick to straight and narrow ... and they are more careful about birth control," said Elizabeth Ananat, a Duke University assistant professor of public policy and economics

who has researched abortions.

While many states have aggressively restricted access to abortion, most of those laws were adopted in the past two years and are not believed to have played a role in the decline.

Abortions have been dropping slightly over much of the past decade. But before this latest report, they seemed to have pretty much leveled off.

Nearly all states report abortion numbers to the federal gov-

ernment, but it's voluntary. A few states — including California, which has the largest population and largest number of abortion providers — don't send in data. While experts estimate there are more than 1 million abortions nationwide each year, the CDC counted about 785,000 in 2009 because of incomplete reporting.

To come up with reliable yearto-year comparisons, the CDC used the numbers from 43 states and two cities - those that have been sending in data consistently for at least 10 years. The researchers found that abortions per 1,000 women of childbearing age fell from about 16 in 2008 to roughly 15 in 2009. That translates to nearly 38,000 fewer abortions in one year.

Mississippi had the lowest abortion rate, at 4 per 1,000 women of child-bearing age. The state also had only a cou-

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Hooper pegged in top spot for kids' shopping tour

Annual Christmas event scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 15

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Mike Hooper has been appointed as the general chair for the 50th annual Children's Shopping Tour, Chris Porter, resident of the Pampa Optimist Youth Club, recently announced.

The general chair is usually rotated between the Kiwanis Club, the Altrusa Club and the Optimist Club every three years,'

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Hooper

tative as the general chair this time." Hooper moved to Pampa in May 2010. He is the operations supervisor for the Northern Panhandle for Atmos Energy.

He and his wife, Dawn, have

two children, Ty, 15, and Madi,

Porter said. "It is the Optimist's

turn this year. We are pleased to have Mike be our represen-

12. As general chair, Hooper will preside over meetings of the steering committee which plans the project and will be the spokesman for the project. He serves on the board of directors of the Pampa Optimist Youth Club and is first vice-president and president-elect of the Kiwanis Club. He coached an Optimist Babe HOOPER cont. on page 6

Bernanke warns Congress to avoid 'fiscal cliff'

BY CHRISTOPHER S. RUGABER AND MARTIN CRUTSINGER **AP Economics Writers**

WASHINGTON (AP) Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke on Tuesday urged Congress and the Obama administration to strike a budget deal to avert tax increases and spending cuts that could trigger

> a recession next year. Without a deal, the measures known as the "fiscal cliff" will take effect in January.

Bernanke also said Congress

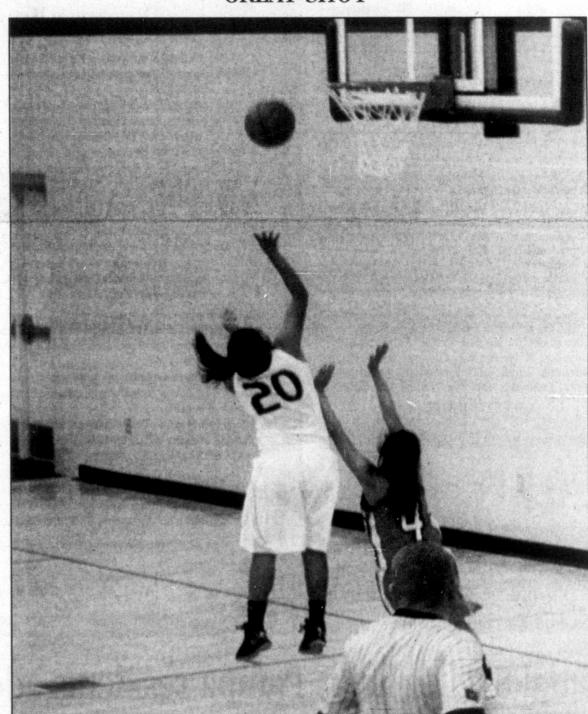
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must raise the federal debt limit to prevent the government from defaulting on Treasurys debt. Failure to do so would impose heavy costs on the economy, he said. Bernanke said Congress also needs to reduce the fed-

eral debt over the long run to ensure economic growth and stability.

Uncertainty about all these issues is likely holding back spending and investment and CLIFF cont. on page 7

GREAT SHOT



RISA RODRIGUEZ goes up for a layup against Caprock Tuesday night. Rodriguez scored 4 points for Pampa. For a story and another pic on Tuesday's game, see page 9A.

As Europe plots closer ties, Britain mulls split

BY DAVID STRINGER AND DON MELVIN **Associated Press**

BRUSSELS (AP) - Goodbye

Britain? For the European Union, a onceunthinkable question is looking more like a real possibility with each new

grinding week of economic crisis. The

reason is that bad times are forcing

the 17 EU nations that use the euro

currency to move ever closer toward some kind of United States of Europe one that could make decisions about how much member countries spend and how much tax they collect. If ever Britain had a nightmare,

that's it.

The British public shows no interest in moving closer to the rest of Europe, and most can't even seem to stomach the status quo. The real question these days appears to be whether to drift away or break away abruptly.

After a 2015 election, Britain among 10 of the 27 EU nations that don't use the euro — is likely to hold a referendum on whether to leave the EU. Even if it doesn't hold a vote, the country is already unpicking its ties with Europe, a movement that has unsettled Germany, which is eager to retain the U.K. as an important economic driver of the bloc.

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PAMPA FORECAST

Saturday Sunday Today

High 54 Low 31

Low 37

High 65 Low 38

Today: Sunny with a high of 54. No chance of rain. Winds northeast at 11 mph. Sunrise at 7:28 a.m.

Tonight: Clear with a low of 31. No chance of rain. Winds south at 7 mph. Sunset at 5:33 p.m.

Saturday: Sunny with a high of 63. No chance of rain. Winds south southwest at 20 mph. Sunrise at 7:29 a.m.

Saturday night: Clear with a low of 37. No chance of rain. Winds southwest at 12 mph. Sunset at 5:33 p.m.

Sunday: Sunny with a high of 65. No

chance of rain. Winds west southwest at 11 mph. Sunrise at 7:30 a.m. Sunday night: Clear with a low of 38. No

chance of rain. Winds west southwest at 9 mph. Sunset 5:32 p.m.

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Obituaries

Judy Anderson

Judy Anderson, 74, of Pampa, died Nov. 20, 2012 in

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 23, 2012 at Memory Gardens Cemetery, with Pastor Steve Cox of St. Paul United Methodist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Anderson was born Jan. 4, 1938 in Pampa. She was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, serving from 1956-1961. She married Everett "Andy" Anderson on March 27, 1961 in Charleston, South Carolina. He preceded her in death on March 18, 2010. Judy was an avid bowl-

er. She was a volunteer for Meals on Wheels and was a member of the VFW Women's Auxiliary.

Survivors include a son: Dan Anderson and wife La-Neen of Pampa; a brother: Charles "Leon" Martin and wife Pat of Pampa; a granddaughter: Tosha Wright and husband Stephen of Pampa; a grandson: Andy Anderson of Austin; two great-grandsons; two nieces: Dawn Le-Monie and Lillie Shoup; five nephews: Patrick Barber, Todd Anderson, Danny Martin, David Martin and Curtis Martin. Judy was preceded in death by a granddaughter: Kendra Rose Anderson.

Memorials may be offered to Pampa Meals on Wheels, P.O. Box 939, Pampa, Texas 79066-0939, or Freedom Museum, 600 N. Hobart, Pampa, Texas 79065.

Sign the on-line register at www.carmichael-whatley.

Man gets 25 years for killing ex-employee

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) - A North Texas auto repair shop owner has been sentenced to 25 years in prison for fatally shooting a fired worker during an argument.

Jurors in Fort Worth convicted Arthur Foley Jr. of murder. He was sentenced Tuesday for the May 2011 death of Brandon Sibley.

Foley testified Sibley was intoxicated during the incident in which the ex-worker and the shop owner's sister got into an altercation.

Prosecutors say Sibley questioned Foley's claim that some speakers the former worker left at the shop, as collateral for a loan, were stolen during a burglary days earlier.

Sibley raised allegations of a possible insurance

Prosecutors say Foley submitted more than fraudulent

claims after saying his shop was burglarized in 2009. Foley also has convictions for auto theft and burglary.

El Paso man on death row loses appeal

HOUSTON (AP) -The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals has upheld the conviction of an El Paso man sent to death row for fatally shooting his estranged wife and a

friend six years ago.

Attorneys for 37-yearold Fabian Hernandez argued jury selection at his 2009 trial and a psychiatric interview by a mental health expert selected by prosecutors was improper. They also contended the

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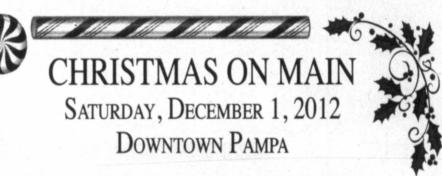
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The

trial judge was wrong for excluding evidence about the behavior of Hernandez's wife, Renee.

The state's highest criminal court Wednesday rejected the arguments.



8:30-9:30 Free Breakfast with Santa - at Pampa Chamber of Commerce • 200 N Ballard

8:30-9:30 Madeline Graves Christmas Dancers at Pampa Chamber of Commerce •

TBA Lighting of Tree - at Gray County Court House • 205 N Russell 10:00-5:00 Holiday Bazaar - at Community Christian School • 300 W Browning Pampa Senior

Citizens Center • 500 W Francis • More buildings may be added 10:00 End of Nutcracker Festival of Trees - Christmas Tree Viewing at MK Brown • 1000 N

Sumner - Sponsored by Pampa Fine Arts - Contact 662-6777 For more info. TBA Jingle Bell Run

11:00-1:00 Walking Taco's - M&S Specialty Foods • 120 N Gray

11:00-1:30 Soup with Mrs. Claus - Knights of Columbus • 318 N Cuyler - Sponsored by Altrusa

2:00 Lone Star Christmas Parade 3:00 Story and Craft time at Lovett Memorial Library • 111 N Houston

3:30-5:30 Pictures with Santa - Shutterbug Photography • 207 N Cuyler

Nutcracker Ballet – Pampa Dance Academy at M.K Brown Auditorium 1000 N Sumner - Tickets are \$10

• North Pole Express direct Santa Letter delivery - Victorian Rose

. Downtown Business Open House - Shop downtown to receive tickets for drawing to

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Pampa man arrested on multiple charges

30-year-old Jacob Coby Woodruff, Pampa, was arrested by the Pampa Police Department Tuesday for burglary of a habitation and possession of drug paraphernalia.

26-year-old Blanca Maria Berrera, Pampa, was arrested by the Gray County Sheriff's Office on Tuesday for violation of probation on a DWI from Potter County.

22-year-old Amber Sky Bradford, Pampa, was arrested by GCSO on Tuesday for violation of probation, unlawful possession of a weapon.

36-year-old Christopher Shane Stafford, Woodward, Okla., was arrested by the Texas Department of Public Safety Tuesday for possession of a controlled substance.

23-year-old Lexton Bryan Larue, Pampa, was arrested by PPD on Wednesday for a DWI.

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Community Calendar

Anderson Bros. perform tonight at Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center

The Anderson Brothers of Pleasanton are performing tonight at the Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center.

Dane and Brian Anderson, in Pampa visiting their grandparents Raymond and Dorothy Barrett over the Thanksgiving holiday, will present a special one-night performance the day after Thanksgiving beginning at 6:30 p.m.

No admission will be charged, but donations to the center will be accepted and T-shirts will be for sale. The center is located at 320 S. Cuyler St.

City Commission to meet

The Pampa City Commission will meet 4 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 27, on the third floor of City Hall. The commission holds regular meetings open to the public the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. For more information, call 669-5750.-669-5750

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Meredith House is hosting a craft and hobby Show on Wednesday, Nov. 28 from 3 to 5 p.m. If anyone would like to display their talents to the community, please arrive 45 minutes early to set up. Call 806-665-5668 or 806-661-9111 to reserve your booth.

Loss-prevention workshop offered

Just in time for the holiday shopping season, the Pampa Chamber of Commerce is offering a "Stop Shoplifting and Other Retail Safety Tips Seminar" at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30. This seminar will be presented by Of-

ficer Stormy McCullar of the Pampa Police Department. RSVP to Lori at the chamber by Wednesday, Nov. 28 with you preference of time by calling 806-669-3241.

Soup with Mrs. Claus

Altrusa International Inc. of Pampa is gearing up for its major fundraiser of the year. Soup with Mrs. Claus, which is fast becoming a Pampa tradition, will be Saturday, Dec. 1 at the Knights of Columbus Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. before

the annual Christmas parade downtown.

The menu includes homemade potato soup or chili with Fritos or crackers and brownies. The star of the event is "Mrs. Claus," aka Mary McDaniel, the longest serving member of Pampa Altrusa Club. Sheila Winton will take the photos, or parents may bring their own camera. Photos are free, but a donation may be given

Local artist displaying works

The White Deer Land Museum will have the Pampa Fine Arts Association Artist of the Year Exhibit open until Dec. 1. Artist Omajean Lewis will be displaying oils, water colors and photography. The museum is located at 116 S. Cuyler St. and the phone number is 669-8041.

Editor's note: Email submissions to thowsare@thepampanews.com. Submissions should be 100 words or less and written in the third person. Please include the title of the event, the date and time, physical address, the admission cost or whether it is a free event and a contact number and/or email address for the public.

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"I will ask the inhabitants of the wonderful island to reflect that they will not be happy if they are alone in this world," German Chancellor Angela Merkel said in a speech before visiting British Prime Minister David Cameron last week in London.

Her outreach, however, has little impact across the Channel. British Foreign Secretary William Hague, who once toured the U.K. on a "Save The Pound" campaign that opposed the euro, believes the British public has never been more skeptical of European unity.

"Public disillusionment with the EU in Britain is the deepest it has ever been," he said last month. "People feel that in too many ways the EU is something that is done to them, not something over which they have a say."

Such distrust is tangled with worries over the fallout from the European debt crisis and anger at the European Court of Human Rights — castigated by British politicians for ordering Britain to give prisoners a vote in national elections, and preventing the U.K. from deporting terrorism suspects to countries with patchy human rights records.

Even more alarming for many in Britain, Merkel called last week for turning the European Commission, which currently drafts legislation and regulates competition, into "something like a European government." The phrase alone rattles the teeth of many British politicians, who have warned for decades of the specter of a European superstate.

"Withdrawing from the EU can no longer be dismissed as unthinkable. It is no longer a marginal view confined to mavericks, but a legitimate point that is starting to go mainstream," Douglas Carswell, a legislator with Cameron's Conservative Party, told Parliament as it debated the idea of leaving the EU.

and watching nervously as his traditional supporters are wooed by UKIP, a minority political party that advocates EU withdrawal, Cameron is expected to eventually offer Britain its first referendum about staying in the EU since 1973.

Even without a decisive split, there are signs already of the diverging paths of Britain and the EU:

— Because Britain does not use the euro, it has no voice in the decisions that affect the 17-member eurozone. It is worth remembering that all but three EU countries — the UK, Denmark and Sweden — are committed to using the euro eventually. So the eurozone meetings could one day be meetings of almost the entire European Union, with only three member states excluded.

— In March, 25 EU members signed a Fiscal Compact to provide for stronger oversight of national budgets. The two that didn't sign? The Czech Republic and Britain.

— In October, 11 EU countries decided to go ahead with a tax on financial transactions. EU officials predict the number of participants will swell to more than 20. Britain will not be among them.

— Next year, EU officials will be working to set up a single banking supervisor for banks in countries that use the euro. Britain has said it is concerned about the prospect of decisions being made over which it has no say.

made over which it has no say.

— Britain is planning to opt out of 130 European agreements on crime and justice — hoping to instead pick and choose how and when it cooperates with its neighbors on law enforcement. The decision would risk undermining the European Arrest Warrant system, which allows police to reach across European borders to easily arrests fugitive sus-

The trend has political leaders in other countries worried. "If the eurozone is much more integrated and those outside are far away, the distance can become too wide and too large," said Andreas Mavroyiannis, Cyprus' deputy minister for European Affairs.

Conservative Party, told Parliament as it debated the idea of leaving the EU. Under pressure from his own party HAPPY BIRTHDAY CINDY You Family

Gray County marriage license applications from Nov. 1 through 16

- Kristen Lea Guynes and Michael Don Grimes.
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 Megan Elaine Williams
- and John Arthur Crosby.

 Janna Nicole Rowden
- and Robert A. Underwood.
- Patsy Louise Coombes and Jeremy Daniel Warner.
- Shannon Michelle Smith and Trevor Conrad
- Dawn Lynn Ellis and
- Jeffery Lynn Kingston.

 Erika Michelle Woods
- and Craig Adam Merritt.

 Carrie Lynn Johnson
- and John Dea Williams.

 Jennifer Marie Brown and Roman Thomas
- Brown.
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 Ryan Michael Zemanek.
- Callie Meshele Coleman and Cody Dewayne Lamb.
- Tanja Schittenhelm and Bruno Romeo-Miramon.
- Xenia Leann Venegas and Jerad Marshall Andis.

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Search for missing oil platform worker ends

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Black Elk Energy has halted the search for a worker missing since Friday's fire aboard the company's oil platform in the Gulf of Mexico.

The missing crewman, Jerome Malagapo of the Philippines, was employed by Grand Isle Shipyard Inc., which had a contract with Black Elk to refurbish the platform.

The company said in a statement released Tuesday night that they would focus on the victims and their families, including those injured in the incident.

The body of 42-year-old Elroy Corporal was found over the weekend. Four workers who suffered burns during the platform fire are being treated at the Baton Rouge Medical Center.

The cause of the explosion and fire aboard the platform remains under investigation.

Alamo caretakers dispute negative state report

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The caretakers of the Alamo have rejected as inaccurate a state report critical of how they manage the shrine in San Antonio.

The Texas attorney general's office on Tuesday released the 38-page report which alleges misuse of state funds and failure to preserve and maintain the Alamo. The report goes to the 2013 Legislature.

The president of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas on Tuesday night noted the report does not require any changes to comply with state law.







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Political parties need rebranding

Dozens of explanations have been offered by people who think they are savvy about politics to explain why Mitt Romney lost and Barack Obama was reelected despite his many unlawful actions and the high unemploy-

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political parties need rebranding. **SCHLAFLY** Obama's

massive negative TV advertising rather successfully branded Romney and the Republican Party as rich guys who can't empathize with ordinary hardworking Americans. In fact, Obama grew up enjoying a pampered illestyle attending elite schools and colleges and now is rich, too, with his wealth and lifestyle coming from the taxpayers.

Nevertheless, when the pollsters asked the question, "Who is more in touch with people like you?" Romney lost to Obama by ten points. Why is it that Romney didn't seem to relate to middle class Americans?

We can't blame only Romney's country club persona for the psychological barrier between him and the bloc of middle class Americans whose votes he lost. We must also blame the Republican Party's devotion to policies that allowed, even encouraged, several million well-paying manufacturing jobs to go overseas, leaving behind empty buildings in crucial swing states.

Romney didn't have a message for those Americans, nor did Republican Senate candidates, nor did the Republican Party So the people who were an essential part of Ronald Reagan's spectacular victories returned to the Democratic Party, assuming that Republicans care more about their devotion to so-called "free trade" with cheating Communist countries than to protecting good American jobs and a strong American manufacturing base.

You would think that Romney and the Republican Party would have

learned a lesson from the insensitive way John McCain brushed off the suffering of those whose good jobs were moving overseas. McCain went to Detroit and callously said in debate: Those jobs are gone forever; just go to a community college.

The basic Romney-Republican economic message was cutting taxes and regulations to enable people to prosper as entrepreneurs, innovators and employers. That's fine, but it doesn't relate to the millions of men who lost \$50,000 jobs and then had to take minimum wage or part-time jobs that don't pay enough to support a family.

Romney and Republicans also lost the votes of the Millennial generation, some of whom were turned off by our meddling nation building in faraway lands Other votes of Americans that should have gone to Republicans were lost because the RINO Establishment, rather than grassroots Republicans, selected the wrong candidate.

While Republicans were proclaiming that 2012 was the most important election of our lifetime, 11 million fewer Americans than in 2008 voted for either the Republican or Democratic presidential candidate. Maybe they decided there isn't any difference between the two major parties, and on the crucial economic issue of loss of good middle-class jobs, there apparently isn't.

The Republican Party doesn't need only a change in marketing. It also needs a change in policies in order to respect the jobs of middle class Americans and the choices of grassroots

Republicans. It's time to change Republican economic policy so the party can be rebranded as the party of family, good jobs and superior weaponry that keeps America safe without war. Safe without war and Reagan-style peace through strength can help win back the Millennial generation.

Phyllis Schlafly is a lawyer, conservative political analyst and author of 20 books.

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Kids Talk About God

How can I tell what's right from wrong?

"You can really tell right from wrong because when you hit someone, you feel sorry for them," says David, age 9. "Like if you kick someone in the knee, you feel bad," adds Paul, 10.

"I feel a feeling that feels like 'no," says Sarah, 7. "You get a tingling feeling when you do something wrong," says Nicole, 9. "A nice feeling comes when you do something right."

Oh yes, that tingling feeling. I remember it well, especially when Dad applied his hand to the seat of my pants.

"When I start to do something wrong, I feel like I have a stomachache," Scott, 10, says. "The heart pumps fast when you are doing wrong and pumps slow when you are doing good," Taylor, 10, adds.

A lie detector measures the increased heart rate and perspiration that usually go with lying.

That "little thing inside you" is "your conscience telling you

right or wrong," says Sean, 9. In fact, Lyndon, 9, says, "Always let your conscience be your guide." Conscience can be a reli-

CAREY able guide, but KINSOLVING it's not infal-

lible. The New Testament writers describe the conscience as capable of being weak, defiled, evil and even "seared with a hot iron," totally incapable of distinguishing between right and wrong.

An example of a finely tuned

conscience is provided by Madison, 9: "If it's a sneaky or tricky thing, it's wrong."

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Gray, 8, shows us his mother's influence: "If you think your mom wouldn't let you do it, then you shouldn't do it." Nicole, 10, adds: "I know right from wrong because my mom and dad taught me. Also, I read the Bible."

Nicole, if your parents have looked to the Bible as their standard, consider yourself blessed.

The Apostle Paul wrote the following to a young minister named Timothy: "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,

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The horrors of FEMA disaster 'relief;' the glory of private efforts

"The nine most terrifying words in the English language are: 'I'm from the government, and I'm here



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- President Ronald Reagan Those wise and yet haunt-

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presidents couldn't ring more true -especially today, as winter sets in on an estimated 130,000 of our fellow Americans who are still struggling without power. Many live without heat, hot water or inhabitable homes and question the

government's efforts to al-

leviate their condition. Amid the election frenzy, several mainstream media outlets instantly praised the Obama administration's response to the Hurricane Sandy devastation in the Northeast. But let's look beneath the congratulatory headlines to see the real and horrifying picture of what's happening.

Right now, homeless Americans are literally freezing, wrapped in blankets and trash bags as they struggle to survive in FEMA tent cities such as New Jersey's "Camp Freedom," which reportedly "resembles a prison camp."

"Sitting there last night, you could see your breath," displaced resident Brian Sotelo told the Asbury Park Press. "At (Pine Belt), the Red Cross made an announcement that they were sending us to permanent structures up here that had just been

redone, that had washing machines and hot showers and steady electric, and they sent us to tent city. We got (expletive)."

Sotelo said Blackhawk helicopters patrol the skies "all day and night," and a black car with tinted windows surveys the camp while the government moves heavy equipment past the tents at night. According to the story, reporters aren't even allowed in the fenced complex, where lines of displaced residents form outside portable toilets. Security guards are posted at every door, and residents can't even use the toilet or shower without

first presenting ID. "They treat us like we're prisoners," Ashley Sabol told Reuters. "It's bad to say, but we honestly feel like we're in a concentration camp.

Snow and icy slush seep into living areas through the bottoms of the government tents.

Meanwhile, officials are said to be banning residents from taking pictures and even cutting off Wi-Fi and power access.

"After everyone started complaining, and they found out we were contacting the press, they brought people in," Sotelo said. "Every time we plugged in an iPhone or something, the cops would come and unplug them."

He added: "Everybody is angry over here. It's like being in prison."

In New York, residents of Gerritsen Beach have banded together to survive.

"With all due respect to the federal issue, we're used to taking care of ourselves," Doreen Garson, the acting volunteer fire chief, told The Washington Post as area residents received hot meals outside a trailer. "I don't know what FEMA is really doing for anyone."

Some citizens say FEMA has distributed

checks to fix their homes, but bureaucratic hurdles mean relief amounts are determined inconsistently and may be insufficient to cover damage. In some cases, the rebuilding funds are distributed even when reconstruction doesn't make sense because the destroyed homes are located in high-risk areas. FEMA's bureaucratic

tape is such a mess that states have had to hire consulting firms just to navigate the paperwork, with consultants earning as much as \$180 an hour -- all of which is billed to American taxpayers.

Meanwhile, FEMA -which previously provided trailers to victims of Hurricane Katrina that made residents sick from toxic levels of formaldehyde -- will now bring more temporary homes to New York and New Jersey. The government assures us that this time the homes have been approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

In the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy, FEMA failed to have bottled water and other supplies ready for storm victims -- a week after the storm hit -- and was forced to seek help from private vendors to meet residents' needs.

While generous citizens fill trucks with donations and goods for hurricane survivors, FEMA is reportedly demanding they stop -- because the federal agency has "strict rules on what can and can't be

accepted." To make matters worse, FEMA now expects Homeland Security Secretary Janet Napolitano to appear before Congress and request a taxpayer bailout for FEMA floodinsurance operations while it burns through \$200 to \$300 million a day.

Where did we go wrong? The moment we began looking to government to fill the role of caretaker, provider and savior.

What happened to the days when communities and churches were the places Americans turned to for help? We need to get back to basics, where Americans care for our brothers and sisters and help them in times such as these.

In one brilliant example of communities banding together, Staten Island residents organized their own citizen-led team of volunteers and started a donation drive, bringing massive trucks of aid into their community from Virginia. They've worked with local churches, VFW posts and businesses to bring in needed supplies and help with cleanup efforts.

In yet another stunning example of private efforts, veterans of both the Israeli army and U.S. military descended on New York to help with rescue operations and relief assistance when the government was said to be absent.

Churches and businesses are reaching out to people who've been displaced, packing U-Haul trucks and 18-wheelers with food, diapers, blankets, toiletries and other needed goods.

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that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work" (II Timothy 3:16-17).

Scripture is "profitable." The Bible is a gold mine for learning the ways of God so that you can be "complete" or mature and ready "for every good work."

Taylor, 10, says the Bible contains an objective standard for right and wrong: "If you follow the Ten Commandments, you are doing right.

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The problem is that everyone has broken more than a few of these written laws. The Apostle Paul wrote: "by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin" (Romans 3:20).

Jesus said he didn't come to destroy the law but to fulfill it. This one who always kept the law by doing what was right offered himself as a sacrifice for lawbreakers. That's us. No exceptions. Jesus promised to impart his life to all who accept him as their savior. When Christians are filled with God's Spirit, they live under a higher law than the 10 Commandments, the law of love.

Point to ponder: God fills the hearts of his followers with love. Not every Christian is a disciple of Jesus.

Scripture to remember: "I will put my laws in their mind and write them on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people" (Hebrews 8:10).

Question to consider: Are you listening to the inner promptings of the Holy Spirit to increase your love for God and his righteous ways?

Listen to a talking book, download the "Kids Color Me Bible" for free, watch Kid TV Interviews and travel around the world by viewing the "Mission Explorers Streaming Video" at www.KidsTalkAboutGod.org. Bible quotations are from the New King James Version. To find out more about Carey Kinsolving, visit the Creators Syndicate website at www.creators.com.

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simply declare the gospel; we've got to demonstrate it," pastor Jerry Young said from New Hope Baptist Church in Mississippi. "What we're trying to do now is demonstrate the gospel."

Just as these grassroots volunteers have been sacrificing so much to help displaced citizens and clean up storm-ravaged areas in the Northeast, I urge America's citizen volunteers, churches and businesses to follow their examples.

Let's stop making the mistake of expecting government to be our savior in times like

We are told eight times in the Bible to love our neighbor. This Thanksgiving week, America has an extraordinary opportunity to do just that. Let's band together and show our fellow citizens that we care and we won't leave them to the "mercy" of the government in their time of need.

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8:30-9:30 a.m. Madeline Graves Christmas Dancers at Pampa Chamber of Commerce.

10 a.m. End of Nutcracker, Festival of Trees, Christmas tree viewing M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium, 1000 N. Sumner, sponsored By Pampa Fine Arts Association. For more information, call 662-6777.

10 a.m.-5 p.m. Holiday Bazaar at Community Christian School, 300 W. Browning Ave., Pampa Senior Citizens, 500 W. Francis St. (more sites may be added if needed.)

11 a.m.-1 p.m. Walking Taco's M&S Specialty Foods, 120 N. Gray St.

11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Soup with Mrs. Claus at Knights of Columbus, 318 N. Cuyler St., sponsored By Al-

2 p.m. Lone Star Christmas Parade.

3 p.m. Story and Craft Time at Lovett Memorial Library, 111 Houston.

3:30-5:30 p.m. Pictures with Santa by Shutterbug Photography, 207 N. Cuyler St.

7:30 p.m. Nutcracker Ballet at M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium.

TBA. Lighting of the Tree at Gray County Court House, 205 N. Russell, sponsored by Downtown Business Association.

TBA. Jingle Bell Run, sponsored By Pampa High School Cheerleaders.

Sunday, Dec. 2

1-3 p.m. Festival of Trees, M.K. Brown Auditorium, sponsored By Pampa Fine Arts, tree viewing, cash prize for best gingerbread, awarded for judges favorite tree. For more information, call 662-6777.

Sunday all-day events

North Pole Express direct Santa letter delivery at Victorian Rose.

Business Downtown Open House. Shop downtown to receive tickets for drawing to be held Dec 13.

Spectacular Christmas light displays from downtown merchants, horsedrawn carriage rides. Doggie in the window, animal adoption at Pampa Chamber of Commerce, 200 N. Ballard, sponsored by PAWS.

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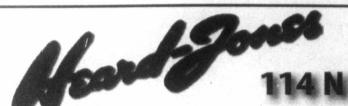


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their favorite picture. On Thursday evening December 20th, between 7 pm and 8 pm, one lucky artist will be randomly selected out of all the entries. The prizes is

\$50 in cash!

(See store for complete details)

Willy the Elf is playing hide-and-seek at Heard Jones Healthmart and we need your help to find him, so he can tell Santa who has been naughty or nice! On Saturday, December 1st after the Christmas Parade at 2:00 and again on Thursday Evenings

Hey Kids!

Help find Willy the Elf!

December 6 and 13 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm children ages 2 through 10 can come to Heard Jones and see if they can spot Willy. Each child that finds Willy will receive a prize and they will be entered into a drawing to be held on Thursday, December 20th between 7 pm and 8 pm. The lucky winner will receive

\$50 in cash!

(See store for complete details)

Hooper

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baseball this year as well as the 15-year-old Babe Ruth all star team.

"Watching our community come together to help children experience the true meaning

of Christmas is something I was blessed to participate in last year," Hooper said. " Seeing the smiles on the children's faces as they came through the checkout lines touched me and helped put the true meaning of the Christmas season in my heart."

The Children's Shopping Tour is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 15. "We hope to serve around 400 family members this year including about 100 children who will go on the tour with us," Hooper explained. "Since this is the 50th anniversary of the tour, each child will be given \$50 per family member to buy Christmas

"People wishing to contribute should make their checks payable to the Pampa Optimist Club and send them to John Warner, P. O. Box 645, Pampa, Texas

79066," Hooper explained further. "They need to note on the check it is for the Children's Shopping Tour. The cost to sponsor a child is \$75. We have about 40 different civic clubs, churches and youth organizations involved with the tour each year, but we use an Optimist Club account for the money so it will be tax deductible.

"One of the things which excites me about this project is that it is a onetime only project for each child," Hooper concluded. "For most of them, it will be the first time they have ever experienced giving at Christmas.'

The Children's Shopping Tour was first held in Pampa in December 1963, when a group of Pampa Jaycees took six children shopping for Christmas presents for their family members.

The project was named the outstanding community service project in the nation by Optimist International in July 2008 and was named the outstanding community service project in the world by Altrusa International the following month.

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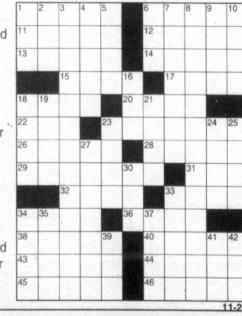
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Think tank: Georgia workers lose 20 years of progress

ATLANTA (AP) Georgia's poverty rate is at its highest point in 30 years. The typical Georgia household's annual income, in terms of purchasing power, is about what it was in 1990. Those are some of the

noteworthy conclusions of a new analysis released Tuesday by the left-leaning Georgia Budget & Policy Institute. "Due to the almost un-

precedented impact of the Great Recession," researchers wrote, "working Georgians have seen essentially two decades worth of economic progress disappear. ... Georgia families are struggling across the board."

The report was based on employment and wage figures compiled by various government agencies.

From 2010 to 2011, median household income fell by almost \$2,000 in Georgia. Annual wages for the median worker, meanwhile, dropped more than \$2,500. Since 2007, Hispanic and African-American workers, on average, have taken a harder income hit than their white counterparts. Across all races, workers without college degrees lost almost all of the wage gains they had seen since 1990.

The think tank said the solution is to invest in education, job training and infrastructure.

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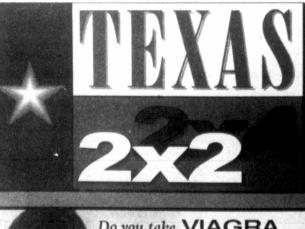
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Abortions

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ple of abortion providers and has the nation's highest teen birth rate. New York, second to California in number of abortion providers, had the highest abortion rate, roughly eight times Mississippi's.

Nationally since 2000, the number of reported abortions has dropped overall by about 6 percent and the abortion rate has fallen 7 percent.

By all accounts, contraception is playing a role in lowering the numbers.

Some experts cite a government study released earlier this year suggesting that about 60 percent of teenage girls who have sex use the most effective kinds of contraception, including the pill and patch. That's up from the mid-1990s, when fewer than half were using the best kinds.

Experts also pointed to the growing use of IUDs, or intrauterine devices, T-shaped plastic spermkillers that a doctor inserts into the uterus. A study released earlier this year by the Guttmacher Institute, a

nonprofit organization that does research on reproductive health, showed that IUD use among sexually active women on birth control rose from less than 3 percent in 2002 to more than 8 percent in 2009.

IUDs essentially prevent "user error," said Rachel Jones, a Guttmacher researcher.

Ananat said another factor may be the growing use of the morning-after pill, a form of emergency contraception that has been increasingly easier to get. It came onto the market in 1999 and in 2006 was approved for non-prescription sale to women 18 and older. In 2009 that was lowered to 17.

Underlying all this may be the economy, which was in recession from December 2007 until June 2009. Even well afterward, polls showed most Americans remained worried about anemic hiring, a depressed housing market and other problems. You might think a bad

economy would lead to more abortions by women who are struggling. However, John Santelli, a Columbia University professor of population and family health, said: "The economy seems to be having a fundamental effect on pregnancies, not abortions.

More findings from the CDC:

■ The majority of abortions are performed by the eighth week of pregnancy, when the fetus is about the size of a lima bean.

■ White women had the lowest abortion rate, at

about 8.5 per 1,000 women of child-bearing age; the rate for black women was about four times that. The rate for Hispanic women was about 19 per 1,000.

■ About 85 percent of those who got abortions were unmarried.

■ The CDC identified 12 abortion-related deaths

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troubling investors, the Fed chairman said in a speech to the Economic Club of New York.

Resolving the fiscal crisis would prevent a sudden and severe shock to the economy, help reduce unemployment strengthen growth, he said. That could make the new year "a very good one for the American economy,'

he said. "A stronger economy will, in turn, reduce the deficit and contribute to achieving long-term fiscal sustainability," Bernanke

told the group. When asked during a question and answer session after the speech whether the Fed could soften the impact of the fiscal cliff, Bernanke was firm in his warning.

"In the worst-case scenario where the economy goes off the broad fiscal cliff ... I don't think the Fed has the tools to offset that," Bernanke said.

Bernanke also said the severity of the Great Recession may have reduced the U.S. economy's potential growth rate. He didn't say by how much or how long slowerthan-normal growth might persist.

Over the long run, the U.S. economy has grown an average of about 2.5 percent each year. Economists predict growth in the July-September quarter will be revised up to an annual rate of around 3 percent, above the gov-

ernment's initial 2 percent estimate. But they think the economy is slowing to an annual growth rate below 2 percent in the October-December quarter - too slow to make much of a dent in unemployment.

Bernanke said several factors have weighed on growth: Long-term unemployment has eroded many workers' skills and led some who have lost jobs to stop looking for

Companies have spent less on machinery, computers and other goods, reducing their production capacity. Stricter lending rules and uncertainty about the economy may have discouraged wouldbe entrepreneurs from starting more companies, the Fed chairman said

Even assuming the economy's potential growth has declined, Bernanke said that unemployment, now at 7.9 percent, is abnormally high. He suggested, though, that the drags on economic growth should fade as the economy heals.

By the end of December, just as the fiscal cliff nears, the federal government is expected to hit its borrowing limit. Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner has said he will resort to the same maneuvers he used during the last debt standoff in 2011 to prevent the government from defaulting on its debt.

But these maneuvers would buy only a few weeks' time, until late February or early March, before the government would face the prospect of a first-ever debt default.

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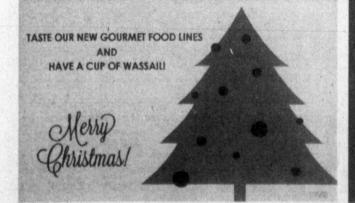




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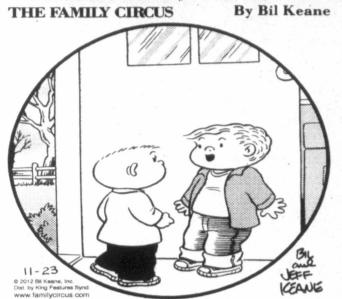
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The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ Follow through on what you

feel is a high priority, which could be answering a loved one's demands. You become frustrated easily with this person in general, and today might not be any different. Plan on being with someone you enjoy afterward. Tonight: Say the right thing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ Know that sometimes even the Bull must slow down. Information that keeps coming forward could jolt you. Assimilate what you must on your time. Change plans if need be. You will discover that the situation is totally fluid. Tonight: Follow your instincts with money

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

*** Zero in on what needs to happen and what you want to have happen. Somehow, you can accomplish both without conflict. A partner or key associate changes his or her stance, which gives you a little leeway. Tonight: Out the door.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ Realize what is happening behind the scenes. Your intuition comes older person. This person could force a change, at least with your plans. He or place. she can be so stubborn! Tonight: Touch base with a special friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

respect who you can get strong feedback from involving perhaps the holidays or an aspect of your domestic life. A call from an expert or distant friend helps you zero in on what needs to go.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You might be inadvertently challenged by a partner. Rather than getting an attitude, loosen up and enjoy the moment. Through negotiating together, a better perspective will evolve. Tap into your imagination and creativ-

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Reach out to someone, especially if you have not heard from this person in a while. You do not want to stand on ceremony. You might even be

surprised by his or her news. Perhaps you need to take another look at this bond. Tonight: The only answer is "yes." SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Whatever the goals are that you have set for yourself, you are fully determined to meet them. Stop. Is this behavior reasonable? You might be putting unnecessary pressure on yourself. Tonight: Do not make your life more complicated than it needs to be.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ A close loved one might be so happy that he or she is behaving like an excited puppy. Enjoy this person's mood, even if it means changing your plans. You value spontaneity; keep doing so, no matter what. Worry less. Tonight: Act like you have no worries

at all. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

*** You could be tired and withdrawn. Your ability to see a situation differently marks a discussion. When you notice that the other party is not very responsive, you might want to pull back. Do what you want. Tonight: Say little, yet be responsive.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

*** Others come toward you with smiles on their faces. Your values might be changing, and a situation could be revitalized as a result. Please note that sitting on your anger could be through when dealing with a parent or ruining a relationship. Isn't it time for a talk? Tonight: Favorite person, favorite

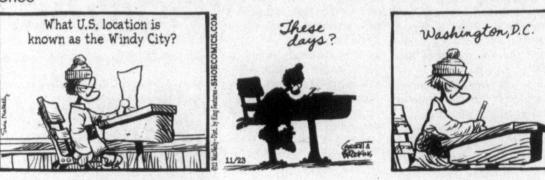
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

*** Use care with your finances and time commitments. Someone *** Reach out to someone you might push you very hard to get what he or she wants. You do not have to be elusive. You just need to be clear and open to the process. Take care of some shopping if you can. Tonight: Treat or

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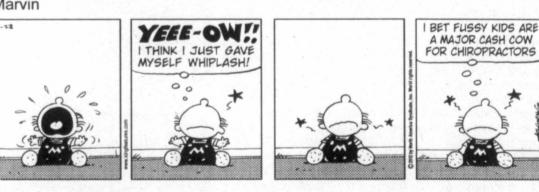


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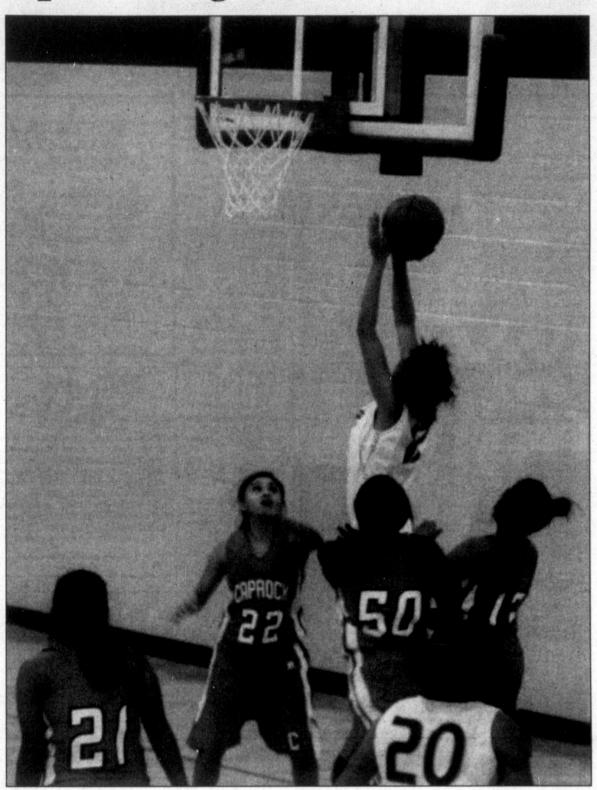
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Lady Harvesters fall to Caprock despite a big 4th from Burnett



Pampa's Madison Brown goes up for a layup as the Caprock players watch. Brown finished the game with seven points.

> By ZACHARY GREEN zgreen@thepampanews.com

Pampa's varsity Lady Harvesters hosted the Caprock Lady Longhorns on Tuesday night. Pampa was down two players due to injury, so Risa Rodriguez was brought up from the JV squad.

At the end of the first quarter Pampa trailed 12-11 and points were hard to come by in the second quarter until a Pampa run.

With 3:09 left in the first half, Pampa coach Gene Valentine called a timeout with Pampa trailing 17-11. After the timeout, Pampa would go on a 7-0 run to take an 18-17 lead into the locker room.

Pampa trailed 32-27 heading into the fourth quarter. Hayley Burnett, who had no points until the fourth, would score 12 points in the fourth including four out of eight free throws.

Despite the great effort by Burnett, it wasn't enough as Pampa would lose 51-40.

Burnett was the leading scorer with 12 points. Rachel Andrews and Madison Brown both scored 7 points. Taylor Eubank scored 6 points. Risa Rodriguez scored 4 points. Bailey Wichert and Hannah Baker each added 2 points.

With the loss Pampa moves to 1-5 on the season. The Lady Harvesters will be back in action Nov. 27 when they host San Jacinto.

Harvesters win a close one on last second shot from Hutto

BY ZACHARY GREEN

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Pampa's Varsity Harvesters traveled to Boys Ranch on

ARE WIRS

The Harvesters found themselves down 10 points with 4 minutes left in the game. Pampa would then go on a 14-2 run with Ty Hutto making a shot on an assist from Cade Engle with 5 seconds left to win the game 65-63.

The game was close throughout with Pampa leading by the score of 12-11 after the first quarter. At halftime the game was tied 25-25 and at the end of the third quarter the score was 44-41 Boys Ranch.

"This is a special group of guys. The heart and determination of this bunch will go a long way going forward. The first two games taught us how to handle these game situations and we came through with the win. I am proud of my guys," said Pampa Coach Matt Embry. Hutto led all scorers with 23 points. Derrek Pollard

added 14 points for Pampa and Cade Engle scored 9 points for the Harvesters. Aylan Biondo scored 22 for Boys Ranch, while Malik Swinson added 19.

Pampa moves to 1-2 on the season. The Harvesters will be back in action Friday at the Fantasy of Lights Tournament in Wichita Falls.

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JV girls win; late free throws seal W

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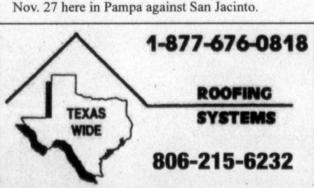
Pampa's JV girls team played Caprock's JV girls team on Tuesday night.

Pampa was ahead most of the way, leading after the first quarter 10-5. At halftime Pampa would be leading 14-12. After three quarters Pampa's lead was 23-

Things got a little interesting late in the fourth quarter. Pampa would be leading the game 31-29 with 6.5 seconds left. Raven Neal would be fouled and head to the free-throw line. Neal would sink both free throws to seal the win for Pampa, 33-29.

Neal went 6-8 from the free throw line and had a game high 10 points. Caragan Niccum added 8 points. Tracie Smith scored 5 points. Keshia Daniels scored 4 points. Reata Collins, Jazmyn Hair and McKinlee Thomas each score 2 points for Pampa.

The JV Lady Harvesters will be back in action on



Pampa Junior High boys in action

STAFF REPORT

Monday night, the Pampa boys Junior High teams traveled to Dalhart for their first games of the season. The 7th grade B team won 20-15. Zane McCoy scored 12 points. Angel Gonzales and Caleb Phillips played great defense.

The 7th grade boys A team lost 36-16. Brandon Steward was the high scorer with 10 points. Brady Porter contributed with great hustle and rebounding.

The 8th grade boys B team won 30-12. High scorers were Juan Perez and Chaseton Brown with 8 points and Kade woods with 6 points. Ryan Roden and Brett West great defense gave the guys a lift in the 2nd half.

The 8th grade boys A team lost 35-25. High scorers were Brendan Woelfle with 7 points, Brandon Sieck with 6 points, and Nick Stevens with 5. Bryce Parker and Derek Norris made some great hustle plays throughout the game. "The guys struggled to find an offensive rhythm all night long. When they start knocking down shots and shoring up some things on defense, they will be a very competitive team," said Pampa coach Brittin East.

Pampa recreation league volleyball standings fall 2012

Competitive	Conference	Overall
Westside Pkg.	6-1	8-2
CrossFit Pampa	4-3	7-3
6 Pack	4-3	5-5
Winborne Mfg.	0-7	0-10

Recreational	Conference	Overall
Domnio's .	9-1	9-1
Sears	7-3	7-3
Utility Tire	5-5	5-5
Smack	5-5	5-5
Ball Busters	4-6	4-6
Xtra Auto	3-7	3-7
Hitting Bricks	2-8	2-8





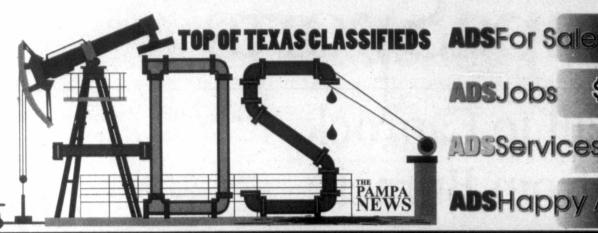
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Notice is hereby given that original Letters ber 20, 2012, in Docket teenagers. Every No. 9979 pending in the Christmas, parents

DON R. LANE. Claims are required to be presented within the time and manner prescribed by law in care help. (What's cool this relationship is of Don R. Lane, attorney for the estate's representative, P.O. Box like to offer a couple

DATED the 20th day of November, 2012.

photo of her or him.

the right gift for their teen.

ABBY: We can tell a lot by wife died a looking. It will provide hints as to what kind of gift they may like.

(2) Copy a list of their "likes" from Facebook and bring it with you. It may mention books, music, movies or other interests that will make it easy to track down something they would

I hope this helps some of your readers. VALERIE IN FORT WORTH

E VALERIE: Bless you for writing. sure many I'm after having just parents and grandone date? Should I parents will take your suggestions to heart. Santa isn't the only one who needs a "helper" at

Christmastime. DEAR ABBY What do you think a 30-year-old man who posted every detail about his breakup with daughter on Facebook for all of their 1,000 friends and family members to read? There was WIDOWER: some personal and

very painful stuff. Is this the "new generation" norm? Or is he immature and inconsiderate? - HURTING FOR you "should" say MY DAUGHTER D E A

to handle it would HURTING: be to say you had a Welcome to the wonderful world of the Internet. where millions of and are not ready for a relationship. individuals have chosen to live their posed to be mutual, lives online for all so don't be sur- to see. And while prised if some of you and I might the women aren't consider what hapinterested in pur- pened to be a form suing a relation- of kissing-andship with you, telling, bragging, a bid for sympathy DEAR ABBY: and in poor taste, I work in a store the people who love vour daughter will that is popular with "unfriend" this person, and those

detail with relish. In time your daughter will realright now?" doesn't ize she is lucky over. Whether her to one teen may be lame to another.) I'd former boyfriend used Facebook to of tips to help cluegain 15 minutes of less relatives select fame or as a weapon to hurt her, I think she can do (1) Bring a recent better. Don't you?

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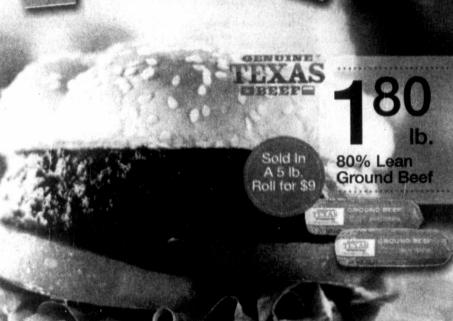
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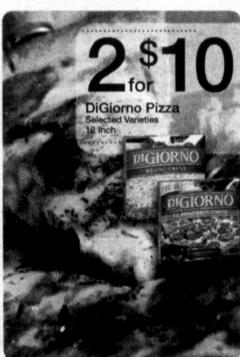
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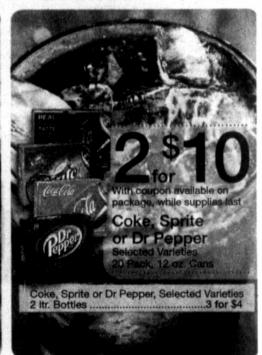
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