

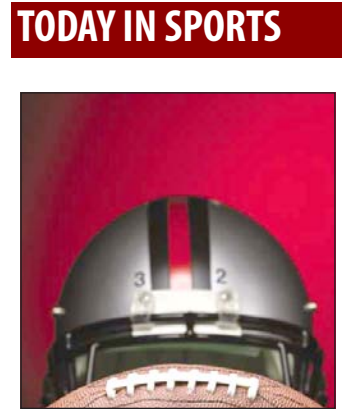
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The PAMPA NEWS 2014 Year in Review

The Pampa News staff looks back at some of the top stories in news and sports that made top headlines in 2014. From the announcement of new head football coach and now athletic director Greg Poynor, to PHS athletes that advanced to regional and state competitions, and even including the Rigo murder trial and Skinner appeal. These are some of The Pampa News' top headlines from 2014.

The Rigo verdict
 Joshua Keith Rigo was sentenced to 90 years in a state penitentiary in January of this year for the New Year's 2013 murder of Kristi Slatten. Blood samples and DNA retrieval proved to be enough for the jury to convict Rigo of the murder. He must serve 30 years before being eligible for parole.

The Skinner appeal
 New DNA test results in an attempt to prove Hank Skinner's innocence in the December 1993 murders of Twila Busby and her two adult sons, Randy Busby and Elwin Caler, were not enough to overturn the initial verdict, which was announced in March of 1995. Since being placed on death row, Skinner has made several failed

attempts to appeal the charges against him.

PHS wrestlers place at state tournament
 Pampa High School sent three wrestlers to state in Garland, Texas. All three of the wrestlers sent, Shiann Regalado, Isidro Estrada and JT Belcourt, placed at the tournament. Belcourt placed third in the 170-pound class. Estrada placed third in the 285-pound class. Pampa's lone lady, Regalado, placed fourth in the tournament in the 119-pound class.

PHS track qualifies four for state meet
 Pampa High School had four state qualifiers. Savanna Hulsey in the 300 hurdles, Kody Maddox in the 100-meter dash, Cheyenne Williams in the shot put and Lauren Pingel in the wheelchair shot put competed at the state track meet in Austin in May.

PHS softball advances to regional finals for the first time
 For the first time in school history, the Pampa Lady Harvesters softball team advanced to the regional finals of the playoffs. The team ended up finishing its season at Lady Pirates Field at Lubbock-

Cooper as they lost game one 14-2 and game two 14-3 to fall to Snyder in the regional finals round of the playoffs.

Culberson-Stowers reveals plans for new building
 After 10 years of planning, Culberson-Stowers announced in October that construction was going to begin on building a combination dealership, which will be the only one of its kind in the country. This new type of dealership will eliminate the need for Culberson-Stowers to operate out of two separate buildings, and the project is expected to be completed some time in 2015.

Osaki Sushi and Hibachi opens in The Pampa Mall
 Osaki, featuring a sushi bar and habachi grill, employs about 15 to 20 people. The restaurant offers both dine-in and take-out and has quickly become a popular choice for many citizens of Pampa since opening in early December.

Drew Harvey and Zach Thomas inducted into Harvester Hall of Fame
 Pampa High School graduates Drew Harvey (Class of 1964) and Zach Thomas (Class of 1992) were inducted into the

Pampa High School Harvester Hall of Fame. An induction ceremony was held inside McNeely Field House in which the inductees spoke their appreciation for the honor and elaborated on their achievements.

Harvey served in the military before a 36-year career at Aluminum Corporation of America and has worked with Habitat with Humanity across the globe. He was also a part of a group who convinced car companies to build aluminum bodies in cars, as seen on the Audi A8.

Thomas is known prominently for his football career, which started in the Texas Panhandle.

He played on NFL teams the Miami Dolphins and the Dallas Cowboys during his 13-year professional football career. He also opened Zach's Club 54 Workout Facilities, which operate in both Amarillo and Lubbock.

Greg Poynor announced as new head football coach, then athletic director
 In January, Greg Poynor was introduced as Pampa High School's new head football coach. More recently, he has also been announced to have taken over as athletic director in addition to his coaching position.

OLD MIDDLE SCHOOL LOT CLEANUP CONTINUES



Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik

Efforts have continued to clean up the debris from the old Pampa Middle School. Demolition of the school began more than six months ago, and the land the school once stood on will be occupied by garden homes in the future.

Final goodbye: Roll call of some who died in 2014

They each turned a moment of violence into a call to action. For James Brady, that moment was when he was shot and wounded by a would-be presidential assassin. For Chung Eun-yong, it was the killings of his two children during a Korean War massacre.

Brady took up a personal campaign for increased gun control after surviving a head wound when a man tried unsuccessfully to kill President Ronald Reagan, for whom Brady was press secretary. Chung began a years-long quest for justice, which eventually prompted the U.S. Army to acknowledge having killed civilian refugees at No Gun Ri.

Brady and Chung, who died within days of each other in August, are among the notables who left the world in 2014.

Others include political figures who catalyzed war and peace and scientists who changed our lives — the inventor of Corningware, for instance. And we lost beloved entertainers, some remembered for bringing audiences decades of smiles and tears and others who left the stage long before their time.

Among the political figures who died in 2014 was Ariel Sharon a hard-charging Israeli general and prime minister whose efforts to reshape the Middle East caused some to call him a war hero and others a war criminal. Another was Marion Barry, the former Washington, D.C., mayor whose accomplishments were often overshadowed by his arrest for drug use.

British politician Tony Benn, former Boston Mayor Thomas Menino, Polish leader Wojciech Jaruzelski

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Third Annual Pampa Pin Down this weekend

STAFF REPORT

Pampa High School will host the third annual Pampa Pin Down New Year's Bash this Saturday, Jan. 3, 2015. The weigh-in begins at 8 a.m. and closes at 9 a.m. The wrestling begins on four mats at 10 a.m. Borger, Boys Ranch, Bushland, Hereford, Palo Duro, River Road, Vernon and Pampa will wrestle for the boys. For the girls it will be, Borger, Bushland, Lubbock Estacado, Hereford, Lubbock High, Palo Duro, River Road,

Vernon and Pampa. The tournament will be a pool format, with pools of four teams each. All the teams will wrestle each team in their pool. From there, it will be a cross pool format with one wrestling two and three wrestling four. The championships and consolations will follow. Tournament T-Shirts will be sold. The concessions stand will be open. Come out and support your Pampa Harvester wrestlers!

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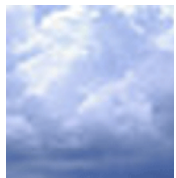


PAMPA FORECAST

Today

New Year's

Friday



High 24
Low 17



High 34
Low 22



High 35
Low 21

Today: Cloudy, with a high near 24. Wind chills between -4 and 6. NNE wind 5 mph. Sunrise: 7:54 a.m.

Tonight: Cloudy, with a low around 17. Wind chills between 9 and 14. SSW wind 5 mph. Sunset: 5:41 p.m.

New Year's: Partly sunny, with a high near 34. SSW wind 5-10 mph. Sunrise: 7:54 a.m.

Thursday night: 20 percent chance of freezing rain, snow and sleet. Cloudy, with a low around 22. South wind 5-10 mph. Sunset: 5:42 p.m.

Friday: 20 percent chance of freezing rain, snow and sleet. Cloudy, with a high near 35. West wind 5-10 mph. Sunrise: 7:54 a.m.

Friday Night: 30 percent chance of snow. Cloudy with a low around 21. NW wind 5-10 mph. Sunset: 5:43 p.m.

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Deaths

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and former Georgia president Eduard Shevardnadze also died this year.

Among scientists and innovators was Rostislav Belyakov, the chief designer of the Russian MiG fighter jets, Nobel Prize winner Martin Perl who discovered a subatomic particle and S. Donald Stookey, the Comingware inventor.

A feeling of untimeliness defined several of the deaths in the entertainment arena in 2014.

The suicide of actor and comedian Robin Williams touched off a national conversation about depression. The overdose deaths of actor Philip Seymour Hoffman, model Peaches Geldof and heavy metal frontman Dave Brockie were grim reminders of the scourge of drug use.

Other artists and entertainers included: actors Shirley Temple, Mickey Rooney, Suchitra Sen, Harold Ramis, Lauren Bacall, Ken Takakura and Eli Wallach; musicians Pete Seeger, Sabah, Tommy Ramone, Lorin Maazel, Gustavo Cerati and Big Bank Hank; filmmakers Mike Nichols and Run Run Shaw; radio host Casey Kasem; comedian Joan Rivers; and writers Maya Angelou and Amiri Baraka.

Here is a roll call of some of the people who died in 2014. (Cause of death cited for younger people, if available.)

JANUARY:

Ariel Sharon, 85. Israeli general and prime minister who was admired and hated for his battlefield exploits and ambitions to reshape the Middle East. Jan. 11.

Russell Johnson, 89. Actor who played "The Professor," the fix-it man who kept his fellow castaways on TV's "Gilligan's Island" supplied with gadgets. Jan. 16.

Hiroo Onoda, 91. Last Japanese imperial soldier to emerge from hiding in a jungle in the Philippines and surrender, 29 years after the end of World War II. Jan. 16.

Suchitra Sen, 82. Legendary Indian actress known for her memorable roles in both Bengali-language and Hindi Bollywood films. Jan. 17.

Jose Emilio Pacheco, 74. He was widely regarded as one of Mexico's foremost poets and short story writers. Jan. 26.

Pete Seeger, 94. Banjo-picking troubadour who sang for migrant workers, college students and star-struck presidents in a career that introduced generations of Americans to their folk music heritage. Jan. 27.

FEBRUARY:

Maximilian Schell, 83. Austrian-born actor and a fugitive from Adolf Hitler who became a Hollywood favorite and won an Oscar for his role as a defense attorney in "Judgment at Nuremberg." Feb. 1.

Philip Seymour Hoffman, 46. He won a best actor Oscar in 2006 for his portrayal of writer Truman Capote in "Capote" and created a gallery of other vivid characters, many of them slovenly and slightly

dissipated comic figures. Feb. 2. Apparent heroin overdose.

William "Bunny Rugs" Clarke, 65. Husky-voiced leader singer of internationally popular reggae band Third World. Feb. 2. Leukemia.

Joan Mondale, 83. She burnished a reputation as "Joan of Art" for her passionate advocacy for the arts while her husband, Walter, was vice president and a U.S. ambassador. Feb. 3.

Ralph Kiner, 91. He slugged his way to the baseball Hall of Fame and then enjoyed a half-century career as a popular broadcaster. Feb. 6.

Els Borst, 81. Former Dutch health minister who drafted the nation's landmark 2002 law permitting euthanasia. Feb. 10.

Shirley Temple, 85. Dimpled, curly-haired child star who sang, danced, sobbed and grinned her way into the hearts of Depression-era moviegoers. Feb. 10.

Arvella Schuller, 84. She helped her pastor husband found the Crystal Cathedral megachurch in Southern California and "Hour of Power" televangelism program seen by millions around the globe. Feb. 11.

Sid Caesar, 91. Prodigiously talented pioneer of TV comedy who paired with Imogene Coca in sketches that became classics and who inspired a generation of famous writers. Feb. 12.

Ralph Waite, 85. He played the kind-and-steady patriarch of a tight-knit rural Southern family on the TV series "The Waltons." Feb. 13.

Mavis Gallant, 91. Montreal-born writer who carved out an international reputation as a master short-story author while living in Paris for decades. Feb. 18.

Maria von Trapp, 99. Last surviving member and second-eldest daughter of the musical family whose escape from Nazi-occupied Austria was the basis for "The Sound of Music." Feb. 18.

Walter D. Ehlers, 92. During the D-Day invasion, he accomplished awe-inspiring acts

of bravery, earning a Medal of Honor for knocking out two German machine-gun nests and saving countless Allied soldiers' lives. Feb. 20.

MARCH:

William Clay Ford, 88. Owner of the Detroit Lions and last surviving grandchild of automotive pioneer Henry Ford. March 9.

Joe McGinniss, 71. Adventurous, news-making author and reporter who skewered the marketing of Richard Nixon in "The Selling of the President 1968" and tracked his personal journey from sympathizer to scourge of convicted killer Jeffrey MacDonald in "Fatal Vision." March 10.

Ignatius Zakka Iwas, 80. Patriarch of the Syriac Orthodox Church, he was the leader of one of world's oldest Christian sects. March 21.

Adolfo Suarez, 81. Spain's first democratically elected prime minister after decades of right-wing rule under Gen. Francisco Franco. March 23.

Dave Brockie, 50. Better known as "Oderus Urungus," he fronted the alien-costumed heavy metal band GWAR during graphic and fake-blood-soaked stage shows. March 23. Accidental heroin overdose.

APRIL:

Anja Niedringhaus, 48. Courageous, Pulitzer prize-winning Associated Press photographer who covered everything from sports to war. April 4. Shot to death in Afghanistan.

Mickey Rooney, 93. Pint-size actor and all-around talent whose more than 80-year career spanned silent comedies, Shakespeare, Judy Garland musicals, Andy Hardy stardom, television and the Broadway theater. April 6.

Peaches Geldof, 25. Model and media personality who was a daughter of Irish singer Bob Geldof and member of a talented, troubled family who grew up in the glare of Britain's tabloid press. April 7. Heroin overdose.

Herbert Hyman, 82. He founded The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf in the 1960s and saw the coffee chain grow to hundreds of stores around the world. April 28.

Bob Hoskins, 71. British actor whose varied career ranged from noir drama "Mona Lisa" to animated fantasy "Who Framed Roger Rabbit." April 29.

MAY:

Billy Frank Jr., 83. Tribal fisherman who led the "fish wars" that restored fishing rights and helped preserve a way of life for American Indians in the Northwest. May 5.

Cornelius Gurlitt, 81. Reclusive German collector whose long-secret hoard of well over 1,000 artworks triggered an international uproar over the fate of art looted by the Nazis. May 6.

Jeb Stuart Magruder, 79. Watergate conspirator-turned-minister who claimed in later years to have heard President Richard Nixon order the infamous break-in. May 11.

H.R. Giger, 74. Swiss artist who designed the creature in Ridley Scott's sci-fi horror classic "Alien." May 12.

Jerry Vale, 83. Beloved crooner known for his high-tenor voice and romantic songs in the 1950s and early '60s. May 18.

Don Meyer, 69. One of the winningest coaches in college basketball who came back from a near-fatal car accident and liver cancer before closing out his career. May 18.

Gordon Willis, 82. One of Hollywood's most celebrated and influential cinematographers, nicknamed "The Prince of Darkness" for his subtle but indelible touch on such releases as "The Godfather," "Annie Hall" and "All the President's Men." May 18.

Jack Brabham, 88. Three-time Formula One champion who famously pushed his car to the finish line to claim his first season title. May 19.

Sante Kimes, 79. She and her son made up a notorious grifter team convicted of the murders of a wealthy widow in New York and a businessman in Los Angeles. May 19.

Ruth Ziolkowski, 87. She carried on her late husband's dream of honoring Native Americans by carving the massive likeness of warrior Crazy

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Obituaries

Bob Sanders

Bob Sanders, 61, of White Deer, died Dec. 17, 2014, in White Deer.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 3, 2015, at Central Baptist Church in Pampa, with Pastor Andy Dietz of First Baptist Church of Groom, officiating. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors of Pampa.

Mr. Sanders was born May 26, 1953, in Dumas. As an infant, his family moved to Pampa where he attended Pampa schools, graduating from Pampa High School in 1971. He attended West Texas State University, graduating in 1975 with a B.S. degree in industrial technology.

He married Cheryl on Aug. 4, 1984, in Magic City. Bob worked for Tinney Lumber and Top O' Texas Builders for several years before starting his own construction company. In 1987, he opened Sanders Construction which he owned up until the time of his death.

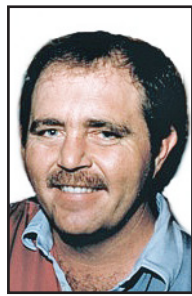
Bob enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his nieces and nephews. He was a lighthearted, fun loving man and will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Bob was preceded in death by his father, Lindon Sanders.

Survivors include his wife, Cheryl Sanders of the home; his son, Andy Starnes of White Deer; his mother, Wynola Sanders of Pampa; his brother, Gary Sanders and wife Amy of Amarillo; and two sisters, Becky Dietz and husband Andy of Groom and Sandra Langford and husband Mark of Pampa.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to the High Plains Food Bank, 815 Ross, Amarillo, Texas 79102.

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Bob Sanders

a bachelor degree in business administration from West Texas State University and a bachelor degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Texas El Paso. He married Judy Tyler in Amarillo, June 8, 1968. He was a member of Paramount Baptist Church. Golfing was his hobby, but family was his passion. He is preceded in death by his parents, Marian and Vern Pendergrass, and a brother, Don Pendergrass.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Judy; his sons, Tyler Lee Pendergrass and wife Dina of Amarillo and Timothy James Pendergrass and wife Rebecca Lee of Lubbock; his grandchildren, Makenna, Joshua, Maddie, Bentley and David; his sister, Jan Tartoni and husband Don of Virginia Beach, Va., and numerous nieces and nephews.

Roy Julius "Deck" Woldt

Roy Julius "Deck" Woldt, 95, died Dec. 25, 2014, in Pampa.

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 3, 2015, at Zion Lutheran Church, with Rev. Michael Erickson, pastor, officiating. A celebration of Deck's life will follow the services with coffee and dessert in the church fellowship hall. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.

A double memorial graveside service will be held at a later date in Egg Harbor Town Cemetery in Egg Harbor, Wis. for Deck and his wife Eloise.

Mr. Woldt, also known as Coach Woldt, was born Oct. 22, 1919, in Egg Harbor, Wis. to August "Dick" and Ann Herbst Woldt. He attended high school at Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin where he played several sports. Deck joined the Army Air Force during World War II and served as a radio operator on Solomon and Fiji Islands in the South Pacific in the 35th Fighter Control Squadron.

During the years of 1946-1954, he played on several minor league baseball teams. While attending Southwestern University in Weatherford, Okla. to earn his teaching degree, the Pampa Oilers ball team offered him a signing bonus during the 1950 season. He married Dorothy Eloise Hall Bowen on March 20, 1953, at Zion Lutheran Church in Pampa. After graduating from college, Deck played his final season with the Oilers in 1955.

Coach Woldt was hired to teach school and coach football, baseball and golf for the Pampa ISD before retiring in 1985. Some of the many honors he received over the years were Baseball Coach of the Year in the Texas Panhandle Sports Hall of Fame in 1965, and Door County League Hall of Fame in Door County, Wis. in 1993. Deck was an active member of Zion Lutheran Church where he

served as church elder.

Deck was preceded in death by his parents; his wife in 2006; a stepson, Russell D. Bowen in 1999; a brother, Roland "Fritz" Woldt, and three sisters, Myrtle Woldt Patza, Clara Woldt Becker and Elizabeth "Betty" Woldt Baster, all of Door County, Wis.

Survivors include his stepdaughter, Sandra Bowen Cox Wright and husband Lee of Seattle, Wash.; a grandson, James Roy Cox and wife Melissa of Seattle, Wash.; a granddaughter, Kelli Wright Shea and husband Jeff of Seattle, Wash.; two great-granddaughters, Janyssa Cox Kester and Payton Cox, both of Seattle, Wash.; a great-grandson, Spencer Shea of Seattle, Wash.; sister-in-law, Corrine Schneider Woldt of Sister Bay, Door County, Wis., and several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials to Odyssey Hospice, 6900 I-40 West, Suite 150, Amarillo, Texas 79106; Shephard's Crook Home Health Care, 916 N. Crest Road, Pampa, Texas 79065; or Zion Lutheran Church Helping Hands, 1200 Duncan, Pampa, Texas 79065.

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Jim R. Pendergrass

Jim R. Pendergrass, 75, died Dec. 28, 2014

Celebration of life services will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2014, at Paramount Baptist Church with Rev. Lance Herrington officiating. Burial will follow in Memorial Park Cemetery under the direction of Cox Funeral Home.

Jim was born Dec. 22, 1939 in McLean to Marian Gayle and Cecil Vern Pendergrass. He graduated from Pampa High School and received



Jim R. Pendergrass

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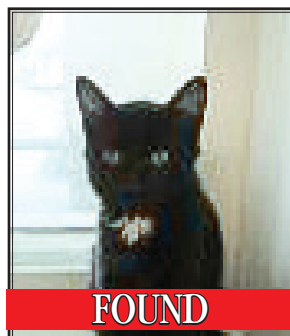
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Museum Musings The Poole Family

Jason Alfred Poole and Alice Olivia Vernon, who were childhood friends at Bartlett and later at Silverton, were married on Sept. 12, 1897, at Plainview, and settled down in a half dugout. During the winter months Jason and his father, Henry Poole, came to Roberts County looking for a place to buy a small ranch. They searched up and down the

Canadian River and finally bought a small ranch on Tallahone (wild turkey) Creek. They spent several weeks moving and building corrals, fixing fences and chunking up cracks in the log house before returning to Silverton. Three weeks after their daughter, Goldie, was born on June 20, 1898, Jason and Alice started on the road in a covered wagon with their baby, Jason's father and an extra man, five or six hundred head of cattle and a dog.

Alice said, "It was no problem, no sickness, no crying — just diaper washing in the evening while making biscuits and frying venison for supper." About the tenth of October, 1898, Alice drove the wagon up to the little log house on Tallahone Creek, for several days the family continued to live in the wagon while the house was given a treatment of boiling water and lye soap. In the meantime Jason's father went to town and bought a cook stove, bedsteads and some lumber for shelf building. The Pooles did not have any close neighbors but some of the families living in that vicinity were those of

Archie King, George Walstad, Lee Ledrick and Dave Lard. Jimmie Lyons brought mail from Miami before crossing the river and going on to the Adobe Walls post office.

Later, Mr. Peck brought the mail to Peacevale (Mrs. Tom Coffee was postmistress) and the Pooles got their mail from a box by the roadside. After a few years Jason and Alice built a nice, pine house about two miles closer to the river and Jason spent a great deal of time helping people cross the Canadian. The children thought it was fun to watch the scared people who were hollering and crying while they jumped out of their wagons or buggies. Jewel Alpha, Opal Pearl and Henry Alfred "Bill" were born while the Pooles lived on Tallahone Creek.

Jason, an old time fiddler, and Alice, who accompanied him on the piano, played for many dances. Their family often crossed the river when it was high while they were going to Plemons for dances and Christmas trees. The Poole girls learned to dance as soon as they could walk and Opal became an accomplished pianist. Unless the Poole children could catch "Old Blue," their horse, they walked about two miles to school; their father was on the school board.

When people began to move away, the Poole family had school in their home for two years with a teacher coming to their home. Later Jason and Alice moved to their ranch north of the river so that their children could attend school at Miami. Then the older girls, who wanted more than high school education, went to West Texas State in Canyon and stayed until they could decide what

they wanted to do. They forgot about ranch life when they were out on their own. For a time Goldie taught at Plemons for \$50 a month.

In later years she married Byron Hash whose daughter, JoAnn, married banker Ben Shackelford. Jason and Alice stayed on the ranch with their four younger children, Garnet Irene, James Arnold, and twin girls, Jackie Amethyst and Jodie Emerald, until they decided that they could no longer run a ranch. When the twins were ready for school, they sold out "lock, stock and barrel" and built a house at 503 S. Gillespie in Pampa.

After graduating from Pampa High School, Jim went to Tulsa University at Tulsa, Okla., before joining the Army in 1940. He married Hazel Wilson (cousin of Albertine Tripplehorn) who taught seventh grade at Pampa Junior High School for several years. When Jim left the Army, he went into the locker and restaurant business, owning Poole's Steak House at 318 East Brown. Garnet, Jackie and Jodie went to West Texas State.

Beginning in 1943, Jackie and Jodie taught school at Miami for 12 years. Garnet, Jackie and Jodie began helping to serve the Shriners when they met at Poole's Steak House and continued to do so for many years.

For more information about the museum's current exhibits, visit the White Deer Land Museum in downtown Pampa. Regular tours are offered Tuesday through Saturday from 1-4 p.m. If you would like to schedule a special or group tour, please call or email the museum at 806-669-8041 or courtney.oxley@graycch.com. Sources: a history of Miami and Roberts county in 1976, Eloise Lane and WDLM archives.

The deadbeat candidate

Carly Fiorina is gearing up to run for president. National Journal reports she already has begun hiring staff.



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Fiorina has run for office only once, as the Republican challenger to Sen. Barbara Boxer of California in 2010 — and she lost. Still, the former Hewlett-Packard CEO won prime attention by running and losing. She's on "Meet the Press" all the time. She's still rich and still good-looking. (In 2010, Fiorina and husband Frank claimed a combined net worth of \$30 million to \$120 million.) Insiders think she's probably running for vice president; if Hillary Clinton is the Dems' nominee, the GOP nominee likely will be looking for a female running mate. Or maybe "she's running for enhanced fame, image and possibly the Cabinet," opined GOP consultant Kevin Spillane. "There's really no downside with her running."

So maybe it isn't totally crazy that Fiorina is running for president, even if she's never won an election. But it is totally crazy that Fiorina is running for the White House when, according to federal election reports, her 2010 campaign still owes \$486,418 to creditors. Who wants a deadbeat for president?

Like the evil George Wickham in "Pride and Prejudice," Fiorina skipped California owing buckets of cash to her onetime pals. She owes \$60,000 to former campaign manager Marty Wilson, who now works for the California Chamber of Commerce, and another \$20,000 to his former communications firm. She shorted campaign counsel Ben Ginsberg, formerly of Patton Boggs, to the tune of \$44,000. She owes \$3,750 to a former press secretary, \$5,000 to another communications aide and \$7,500 to her erstwhile political director. She stiffed political consultant Joe Shumate, who died in 2010, to the tune of \$30,000. (Yes, she stiffed a stiff — even though she lauded Shumate as a "trusted adviser and friend" upon his death.)

Shumate put "his heart and soul into this campaign, and I would hope that Carly Fiorina would pay his widow the money that was owed him at the time of his death," fellow creditor and GOP strategist John Allan Peschong told me.

When HP fired Fiorina, she walked away with a

\$21 million golden handshake. But when Fiorina lost the Senate race, some of her employees didn't get a handshake. They got a finger.

In Fiorina's defense, Wilson offered that it's hard to raise money when so many Republicans already gave her the maximum donation. "The only effective way she could discharge that debt would be for her to write a personal check," Wilson added. Then again, she can afford it.

I tried to reach Fiorina through a contact person, who said she had to go through another contact person, and I never heard back from anyone. Thus, I never got an explanation as to why, according to her campaign report, Fiorina paid back to herself \$1 million of the \$6.8 million she had lent her campaign on the day before the election. (After the election, win or lose, a candidate cannot get back most loan money.) If Fiorina had not repaid herself that \$1 mil, her campaign coffers would have had enough money to discharge all of the campaign's debts.

Maybe Fiorina felt that her consultants had let her down. Maybe Fiorina wishes that she hadn't spent \$2 million on ads after the RealClearPolitics poll average showed her a point behind Boxer in October. (In November, she lost by 10 points.) Maybe Fiorina blames the people below her for depriving her of a victory she believes should have been hers. That's the best explanation I can muster for a well-heeled candidate's failure to settle campaign accounts — and it doesn't mitigate the offense.

"There was an expectation that she wasn't going to run for office (again), so there wasn't much we could do about it," Wilson told me. He says he suggested to Fiorina that she pay creditors something "like 40 cents on the dollar." Again, no word from Fiorina, but her failure to settle with her creditors these four years speaks volumes.

Fiorina won't be the last politician to leave a trail of debt. Still, it takes a certain kind of brass to not pay off your political operatives and then set up shop to run for the highest office in the land. Wilson isn't sure who will want to work for Fiorina, but he does offer a suggestion for Fiorina 2.0: Ask for the money upfront.

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Hump Day with Humphrey

Humphrey learns who's boss, then I do

Over the weekend I heavily disappointed Humphrey by deep cleaning our place of residence. I put him outside and bleached the surfaces and then cleaned the carpets.



LINDSEY TOMASCHIK

When I let him inside, Humphrey was obviously confused and perturbed by the fact that the apartment no longer had a trace of his scent. All he could do was scour the carpet for some remnants of his scent, which I so kindly have eliminated. I was thorough, and that vacuum powder works miracles. He's going to hate me even more next weekend when I shampoo the carpets, too.

On top of this, Humphrey was promptly forced into the bathroom for a bath after I deep cleaned. I say promptly, but this generally consists of me pushing him from the living room to the bathroom and closing him in there before he can dart out.

As soon as you take that boy's collar off, I swear he gains another 15 pounds of resistance weight. That's just the reason I hate bathing him.

Once I lift all 70-plus pounds of him into the tub, he generally gives up and lets me rinse all but his face. His favorite part of getting a bath, though, is when I'm finished and rush him out of the tub and outside to shake off so that he doesn't completely soak the bathroom. He usually gets one good shake in before I get him outside

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I guess doing the outline of the puzzle that took me more than an hour to complete Sunday night may not kill me.

I sure do love my hound, but he is kind of like a toddler that does not ever grow up. He keeps me on my toes.

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PAMPA FAITH



Goff's death bed repentance

It was early September in 1996 when I met Goff Williams for the first time. One of our church folks called and asked me to visit a relative who was dying with cancer. I drove over to their house, entered the living room, could see that those there were heartbroken, then entered Goff's bedroom. His wife excused herself and I sat in a chair and asked Goff how I could help.

He was visibly in the late stages of cancer; didn't look good and didn't sound good either.

Goff went on to tell me that he had done the "church thing" a little when he was a kid, but that he hadn't paid God any attention since then. Then he asked the biggest question in life: "Is there any way I can get out of going to hell or is it just too late for me?" His honesty was amazingly refreshing. He didn't try to hide a thing. He told me how mean and ornery he had been throughout his life. "I would totally understand if it was too late for me."

That's when I got to share the love and sacrifice of Jesus with him; aka-the gospel. As I was sharing the gospel with him I asked him several questions to make sure he was understanding what I was saying and not just nodding and saying "yes (sometimes we Christians get in way to big of a hurry to get someone saved)." He understood what we were talking about and then said, "Mike, I want to surrender to Jesus." I'm BIG on the word surrender, so I used it a lot so that he would understand that getting saved is an UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER! He wasn't doing Jesus a favor by letting Him save old Goff, but Jesus was doing Goff the greatest favor possible.

Now most folks at that point would lead the person in some version of "the sinner's prayer." I believe there is one more thing that gets skipped most of the time when

leading someone to Christ and IT IS A BIG DEAL! Goff needed to face his sin, be put under conviction by the Holy Spirit and then REPENT! Without repentance no sinner's prayer means a thing. So we talked about his sinful life and Goff was broken over it. I told him that I believed he was genuine and not putting on a show, but reminded him that it wasn't what I thought that counted and God that could see his heart crystal clear and knew if he was lying. And if he was, then no amount of words would bring him salvation.

I then did one more thing before we prayed his surrender prayer. I asked him, "So Goff, what are you going to do if God decides to put you to the test and heals you of your cancer and gives you 20 more years? What are you going to do with those 20 years?" That's when Goff teared up and said, "Mike, if God gives me more time, I promise Him and you that I will spend every day trying to make it up to Him. I want Him and my family to see a different Goff than they have ever known." Sounded a whole lot like Scrooge's words in A Christmas Carol.

I led Goff in a surrender prayer and assured him that heaven was rejoicing. He thanked me for coming and asked if I would visit again. I said I would.

That next visit was on Friday, Sept. 13. Goff's wife was very much at peace and Goff's words were, "I'm ready to go home." That's when Goff asked me to preach his funeral. I said that I would. "But I have to ask you a favor, Mike. At my funeral tell my family how sorry I am that I didn't get my life in order sooner. Tell them about this new Goff. Tell them about this conversation. But most importantly, tell them that if they don't get their life straight before they die, that I will never see them again; and that I want to see them all again very much. You see, most of my family aren't ready to die. Please tell them for me that sur-

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MIKE SUBLETT

CHURCH SPOTLIGHT

A blessed new year

A new year. A fresh start. January is a time of new beginnings. We can look at this past year and hopefully learn from it, but we must leave it behind



DAVID BOULTER

and reach forward to the new year that now lies before us. As we do, let me recommend a verse in I Chronicles 4:10 that has touched and challenged many of our lives. "And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, 'Oh, that you would bless me indeed, and enlarge my coasts, and that thine hand might be with me, and that you would keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me!' And God granted him that which he requested."

We can think in terms of choosing options that will add to our lives. Jabez prayed for increased abundance, for God to bless him, indeed. He wanted what God wanted for his life. Next he prayed for expanded influence, for God

to enlarge his borders so that he could touch the lives of more people for God's glory. Then he asked God for spiritual anointing. He wanted the hand of God's power on his life at all times. Finally, he prayed for God's supernatural protection. He knew that unless God watched over him, he would only be depending on human strength.

A dependent state of mind upon the Lord allows the Holy Spirit to guide, touch and fill us with the fruit of the Spirit, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control (Galatians 5:22-23).

What God did for Jabez, He will do for you and me, if we will pray. What does this year hold in store for you? God only knows, but walking with Him will make it a blessing. May the heavens open and God do more in your life than you ask or think.

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Here’s to the things that are yet to come, and to the memories that we hold.

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Deaths

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Horse into the Black Hills in South Dakota. May 21.

Ricky Grigg, 77. Former top-ranked big-wave surfer and oceanographer whose work confirmed one of Charles Darwin's theories about the origin of tropical islands. May 21.

Jaime Lusinchi, 89. Former Venezuelan president who struggled to tame an economic crisis sparked by plunging oil prices in the late 1980s and then saw his reputation tarnished by allegations of corruption after leaving office. May 21.

Wojciech Jaruzelski, 90. Communist leader who imposed harsh military rule on Poland in 1981 in an attempt to crush the pro-democracy Solidarity movement but later allowed reforms that ended up dismantling the regime. May 25.

Bunny Yeager, 85. Model turned pin-up photographer who helped jump-start the career of then-unknown Bettie Page. May 25.

Manuel Uribe, 48. Mexican man once listed as the world's heaviest human at 1,230 pounds (560 kilograms). May 26.

Maya Angelou, 86. Author and poet who rose from poverty, segregation and violence to become a force on stage, screen and the printed page. May 28.

Lewis Katz, 72. He built his fortune in New York parking lots, billboards and cable TV, and went on to buy the NBA's New Jersey Nets, NHL's New Jersey Devils and The Philadelphia Inquirer. May 31.

Plane crash.
Martha Hyer, 89. Oscar-nominated actress who starred alongside the likes of Frank Sinatra and Humphrey Bogart, and later gained notoriety for her extravagant lifestyle. May 31.

JUNE:

Ann B. Davis, 88. Emmy-winning actress who became America's best-known housekeeper as the devoted Alice Nelson of TV's "Brady Bunch." June 1.

Alexander Shulgin, 88. Respected chemist famed for dusting off a decades-old recipe for the psychedelic drug ecstasy. June 2.

Chester Nez, 93. Last of the original group of Navajo Code Talkers who stumped the Japanese during World War II. June 4.

Eric Hill, 86. His effort to entertain his son with a simple drawing of a mischievous dog named Spot blossomed into a series of children's books that have sold more than 60 million copies. June 6.

Bob Welch, 57. 1990 AL Cy Young Award winner with the Oakland Athletics and the last major leaguer to win at least 25 games in a season. June 9.

Ruby Dee, 91. Acclaimed actress and civil rights activist whose versatile career spanned stage, radio television and film. June 11.

Chuck Noll, 82. Hall of Fame coach who won a record four Super Bowl titles with the Pittsburgh Steelers. June 13.

Casey Kasem, 82. Radio broadcaster with a cheerful manner and gentle voice who became the king of the top 40 countdown with a syndicated show that ran for decades. June 15.

Daniel Keyes, 86. Author whose novel "Flowers for Algernon" became a classroom staple that explored the treatment of the mentally disabled and the ethics of manipulating human intelligence. June 15.

Tony Gwynn, 54. Hall of Famer whose sweet left-handed swing made him one of San Diego's best-loved athletes and earned him the nickname "Mr. Padre." June 16. Cancer.

Stanley Marsh 3, 76. Texas businessman, artist and eccentric (he used 3 rather than the conventional III after his name) whose partially buried row of Cadillacs became a roadside tourist attraction. June 17.

Stephanie Kwolek, 90. Pioneering female chemist at DuPont who invented the exceedingly tough fibers widely used in Kevlar body armor. June 18.

Avraham Shalom, 86. For-

mer director of Israel's Shin Bet security service who led the agency through some of its greatest achievements before resigning in disgrace. June 19.

Steve Rossi, 82. Half of the comedy duo Allen & Rossi, which became a favorite on TV variety shows. June 22.

Eli Wallach, 98. Raspy-voiced character actor who starred in dozens of movies and Broadway plays and earned film immortality as a quick-on-the-draw bandit in the classic Western "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly." June 24.

Howard H. Baker Jr., 88. Moderate Republican ex-senator who, during the 1973 Watergate hearings, sought to learn Richard Nixon's role by asking what the president knew and when he knew it. June 26.

Meshach Taylor, 67. He played a lovable ex-convict surrounded by Southern belles on the sitcom "Designing Women" and appeared in numerous other TV and film roles. June 28.

Philip Lutzenkirchen, 23. Former Auburn tight end and a fan favorite who played on the 2010 national championship team. June 29. Car crash.

JULY:

Stephen Gaskin, 79. Counterculture visionary who led a caravan of hippies from California to establish one of the longest lasting U.S. communes in rural Middle Tennessee and later sought the Green Party nomination for president. July 1.

David Greenglass, 92. He served 10 years in prison for his role in the most explosive atomic spying case of the Cold War and gave testimony that sent his brother-in-law and sister, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, to the electric chair. July 1.

Louis Zamperini, 97. Olympic distance runner who, during World War II, survived 47 days on a raft in the Pacific

after his bomber crashed, then endured two years in Japanese prison camps and hero of the book and movie "Unbroken." July 2.

Richard Mellon Scaife, 82. Billionaire Mellon banking heir who published the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review and funded libertarian and conservative political causes. July 4.

Rev. Gerald Robinson, 76. Roman Catholic priest convicted of killing a nun inside a chapel in 1980. July 4.

Metropolitan Volodymyr, 78. Head of Ukraine's Orthodox Church who was credited with stabilizing the church. July 5.

Eduard Shevardnadze, 86. Groundbreaking Soviet foreign minister and later the president of an independent Georgia. July 7.

John Seigenthaler, 86. He edited The Tennessean newspaper, helped shape USA Today and worked for civil rights during the Kennedy administration. July 11.

Tommy Ramone, 65. Co-founder of the seminal punk band the Ramones and last surviving member of the original group. July 11.

Ken Gray, 89. He represented southern Illinois in Congress and earned the nickname

the "Prince of Pork" for bringing \$7 billion in projects to his district. July 12.

Lorin Maazel, 84. World-renowned conductor whose career included seven years at the helm of the New York Philharmonic. July 12.

Alice Coachman Davis, 90. First black woman to win an Olympic gold medal. July 14.

Elaine Stritch, 89. Brash the-

ater performer whose gravelly, gin-laced voice and impeccable comic timing made her a Broadway legend. July 17.

James Garner, 86. Actor whose whimsical style in the 1950s TV Western "Maverick" led to a career in TV and films such as "The Rockford Files" and his Oscar-nominated "Murphy's Romance." July 17.

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rendering to Jesus is the most important thing they can ever do." We ended our conversation and I went home.

On Tuesday, Sept. 17, Goff Williams went to his heavenly home. He truly was one of those "eleventh hour" workers that Jesus spoke of in Matthew 20 in the parable of the workers in the vineyard.

On Thursday, Sept. 19, I preached Goff Williams funeral. I began with, "I want to tell you today about a man none of you ever knew and Goff asked me to tell you that he is

so sorry that you never got to know this new man." Then I went on to explain about his final days on earth. I preached the gospel the best I knew how-full of tender love and a hard as nails warning. I asked one of our church girls, Christine, to sing a song as an invitation for the family and friends. Yes, you heard that right, an invitation song at a funeral. It is what Goff requested. Five responded to the invitation that day; four family members and one friend rededicated their lives to the Lord - all because a lost sinner genuinely surrendered to Jesus at the eleventh hour of his life.

Is Jesus your Lord

and Savior? Everybody wants Him as Savior. It is that LORD part that sticks in the craw of most humans. Are you in your eleventh hour? Some of you reading this article probably are, but you just don't know it. Please surrender before it is too late. Eternity will be an awfully long time to either joyfully live with Father God in a home specially prepared for each of His faithful children or agonizingly live with Satan and his plans for your eternity. Make TODAY your eleventh hour. God bless.

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Church Calendar

Hi-Land Christian Church

Beginning Wednesday night, Sept. 3, Pastor Mike Sublett will be teaching two special advanced classes at Hi-Land Christian Church. From 7 - 8pm The Judges and Kings of Israel (broken people, faithful God); from 8-9pm 1-2 Corinthians (Jesus and His messy people).

Pastor Sublett said, "Both classes are advanced in that they have a weekly reading assignment and weekly hand-out pages that will supply each student with a significant notebook for continued study. I will also be recording each class so that everyone can have the audio in case they want to review something later."

The classes are open to anyone interested in learning more about their Bible. Child care will be provided for anyone who is attending either class.

Cornerstone Baptist Church

Cornerstone Baptist Team KID (Kids in Discipleship) meets Wednesdays at 6:30 until 8:00 pm at 2410 W. 23rd St. All children ages 4 thru 5th graders are invited to attend. For more information call the church at 669-6509.

New Life Assembly of God

New Life Assembly of God is located at 1435 N. Sumner Street in Pampa. New pastor, Sergio Urrutia, said their mission is "New life Assembly of God is committed to fulfilling a four-fold mission. Our primary reason for being is to evangelize the lost, worship God, disciple believer and to show compassion, to build a multi-ethnic body of believers.

New life commits to reaching out to Pampa in all areas of the township with special emphasis to our Latino brothers and sisters. Our worship will be a reflection of our multi-ethnic mixture of disciples including Christian Latino music, contemporary music as well as the traditional hymns and songs of the church. Outreach will have as its goal to produce new believers who in turn are able to witness effectively and make disciples who will in turn continue this cycle. This will be effected through small group bible studies, both Bi-lingual services, and bibles."

Services are Sunday at 10 a.m. and Sundays and Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

of Christ

Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ is located at 1342 Mary Ellen St. Corner of Mary Ellen and Harvester. Right across from the high school.

Bible Classes start at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday Evening Worship is at 5 p.m. and Ladies Bible Class Wednesday 10 a.m. Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ also offers Wednesday Bible Class at 7 p.m.

Keith Feerer is the Preacher and Zac Green is Youth Minister.

For more information call 806-665-0031.

First United Methodist Church

Every Friday, First United Methodist Church will be holding Gospel Pic'n and Grinnin'.

The weekly event will be at 5:30 p.m. at Gathering Space in the church.

For more information call 806-669-7411.

McLean Cowboy Church

McLean Cowboy Church is a non-denominational spirit-filled Christian church. The pastor is Ronnie Ferguson.

Sunday worship is at 10:30 a.m. and children's ministry is Sunday at 10:30 a.m. and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

The ages for the children's ministry are nursery through fifth grade.

The church is located at the intersection of state Highway 273 and Interstate 40 in McLean.

For more information, call 806-779-0260.

Southside Church of Christ

Southside Church of Christ is located at 11923 W. McCullough Ave. in Pampa. The church extends an open invitation to all to come and worship where the gospel, "God's Word," is always taught and preached.

Regular worship services are: Sunday morning Bible study, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; morning worship begins at 10:45 a.m. to noon; Wednesday night Bible study is from 5 to 6 p.m.

If your church would like to be added to this list or are hosting a special event let us know! Email jcllee@thepampanews.com or give us a call 669-2525. We will need the name, address, phone number and any other information about the event.



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Report: Gun deaths of officers jump 56 percent

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new report finds that the number of law-enforcement officers killed by firearms jumped by 56 percent in 2014.

The annual report released Tuesday by the nonprofit National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund found that 50 officers were

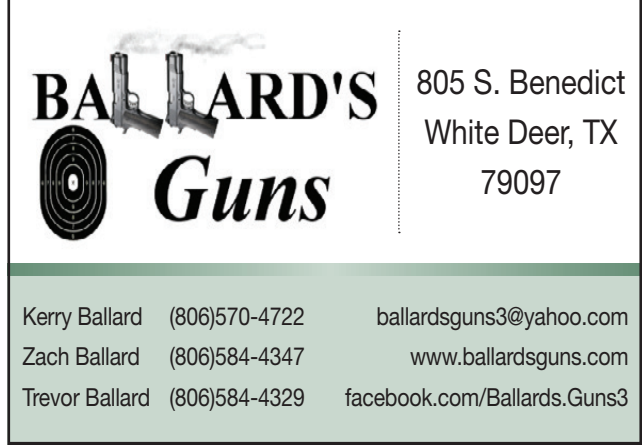
killed by guns this year, compared to 32 in 2013.

In all, the report says 126 federal, local, tribal and territorial officers were killed in the line of duty. That's a 24 percent jump from last year's 102 line-of-duty deaths. Shootings were the leading cause. The second was traffic-related fatali-

ties.

Of gun-related deaths among officers, the report found that 15 were ambush assaults, matching 2012 for the highest total since 1995.

The states that saw the most officer deaths were California, at 14, Texas, at 11, and New York, at nine.



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19. Dan Borislow, 52. Inventor of magicJack and a pioneer in developing phone calls over the Internet. July 21.

AUGUST:
James Brady, 73. Affable, witty press secretary who survived a devastating head wound in the 1981 assassination attempt on President Ronald Reagan, then undertook a personal crusade for gun control. Aug. 4.

Menahem Golan, 85. Israeli filmmaker who built an empire on the back of brawny men beating others senseless across a host of 1980s action films. Aug. 8.

Robin Williams, 63. Academy Award winner and comic supernova whose explosions of pop culture riffs and impressions dazzled audiences for decades. Aug. 11.

Apparent suicide.
Lauren Bacall, 89. Slinky, sultry-voiced actress who created on-screen magic with Humphrey Bogart in "To Have and Have Not" and "The Big Sleep" and off-screen magic in one of Hollywood's most storied marriages. Aug. 12.

Simone Camilli, 35. Associated Press video journalist. Aug. 13.

Jay Adams, 53. Colorful rebel who helped transform skateboarding from a simple street pastime into one of the world's most spectacular sports. Aug. 14. Heart attack.

SEPTEMBER:
Andrew Madoff, 48. Bernard Madoff's last surviving son, he turned his father in and insisted he had been duped into believing history's most notorious Ponzi king was an honest financier. Sept. 3. Cancer.

Joan Rivers, 81. Raucous, acid-tongued comedian who crashed the male-dominated realm of late-night talk shows and turned Hollywood red carpets into danger zones for badly dressed celebrities. Sept. 4. Fatal complication during a medical procedure.

Bob Suter, 57. Member of the "Miracle On Ice" team that won the Olympic gold medal in 1980 and the father of Minnesota Wild star Ryan Suter. Sept. 9.

Richard Kiel, 74. Towering actor best known for portraying steel-toothed villain Jaws in a pair of James Bond films. Sept. 10.

Mike Harari, 87. Israeli secret service agent who played a major role in planning Mossad's revenge attacks against Palestinian militants implicated in the 1972 Munich massacre of the country's Olympics team. Sept. 21.

Deborah Mitford, 94. Dowager duchess of Devonshire and the last of the witty, unconventional Mitford sisters. Sept. 24.

Lily McBeth, 80. Teacher whose battles with school boards in conservative areas of New Jersey made her a reluctant symbol of the transgender rights movement. Sept. 24.

Geraldine "Jerrie" Mock, 88. First female pilot to fly solo around the world. Sept. 30.

Martin Perl, 87. Nobel Prize-winning physicist from Stanford University who discovered a subatomic particle known as the tau lepton. Sept. 30.

OCTOBER:
Jan Hooks, 57. Former "Saturday Night Live" cast member. Oct. 9.

Gough Whitlam, 98. Flamboyant Australian prime minister and controversial social reformer whose grip on power was cut short by a bitter constitutional crisis. Oct. 21.

Ben Bradlee, 93. Hard-charging editor who guided The Washington Post through its Pulitzer Prize-winning coverage of the Watergate scandal and invigorated its newsroom for more than two decades. Oct. 21.

Joan Quigley, 87. Astrologer who helped determine President Ronald Reagan's

schedule. Oct. 21.

NOVEMBER:
Raymond Almiran Montgomery, 78. Author of the popular children's book series "Choose Your Own Adventure." Nov. 9.

Tomas Young, 34. Wounded Iraq War veteran who was an outspoken critic of the conflict and the subject of the 2007 documentary "Body of War." Nov. 10.

Ken Takakura, 83. Craggy-faced star known for playing outlaws and stoic heroes in scores of Japanese films. Nov. 10.

Big Bank Hank, 57. Member of the pioneering hip-hop group the Sugarhill Gang responsible for one of the most popular rap songs of all time, "Rapper's Delight." Nov. 11.

Marge Roukema, 85. New Jersey Republican who spent more than two decades in Congress sparring regularly with ideologues within her party. Nov. 12.

Jane Byrne, 81. She capitalized on Chicago's slow reaction to a snowstorm to score one of the biggest election upsets in the city's history and become its first and only female mayor. Nov. 14.

Marion Barry, 78. Former District of Columbia mayor whose four terms were overshadowed by his 1990 arrest after being caught on videotape smoking crack cocaine. Nov. 23.

Sabah, 87. Lebanese singer and actress who was an icon of Arab music. Nov. 26.

Roberto Gomez Bolanos, 85. Iconic Mexican comedian who wrote and played the boy television character "El Chavo del Ocho" that defined a generation for millions of Latin American children. Nov. 28.

Anthony Marshall, 90. His aristocratic life as philanthropist Brooke Astor's only child unraveled as he was convicted of raiding her fortune. Nov. 30.

DECEMBER:
Ralph Baer, 92. Video game pioneer who created both the precursor to "Pong" and the electronic memory game Simon and led the team that developed the first home video game console. Dec. 6.

Larry J. Cano, 90. Founder of the El Torito restaurant chain who helped popularize guacamole, fajitas and margaritas with the U.S. masses. Dec. 10.

Norman Bridwell, 86. Illustrator whose story about a girl and her puppy marked the birth of the supersized franchise Clifford the Big Red Dog. Dec. 12.

David Garth, 84. Political adviser who spearheaded creation of the modern political TV commercial and helped elect governors, senators and mayors. Dec. 15.

Udo Juergens, 80. An Austrian-born star who dominated pop music in the German-speaking world and sold more than 100 million records in a career spanning five decades. Dec. 21.

Paul Walther, 87. Played six seasons in the NBA in the 1950s after a stellar college career at Tennessee. Dec. 21.

Billie Whitelaw, 82. British actress who collaborated closely with Irish playwright Samuel Beckett and appeared on stage and screen for decades. Dec. 21.

Joe Cocker, 70. The raspy-voiced British singer known for his frenzied cover of "With a Little Help From My Friends," the teary ballad "You Are So Beautiful" and a contorted performing style. Dec. 22.

J. Robert Beyster, 90. A scientist-turned-entrepreneur who founded a small technology firm called Science Applications International Corp. and built it into one of the largest U.S. defense contractors. Dec. 22.

Robert "Showboat" Hall. A former Harlem Globetrotter who spent nearly three decades with the team, playing in more than 5,000 games before his 1974 retirement. Dec. 24.

Joe Macko, 86. Hit 306 home runs in nearly 2,000 minor league baseball games before a long career as a clubhouse manager with the Texas Rangers. Dec. 26.

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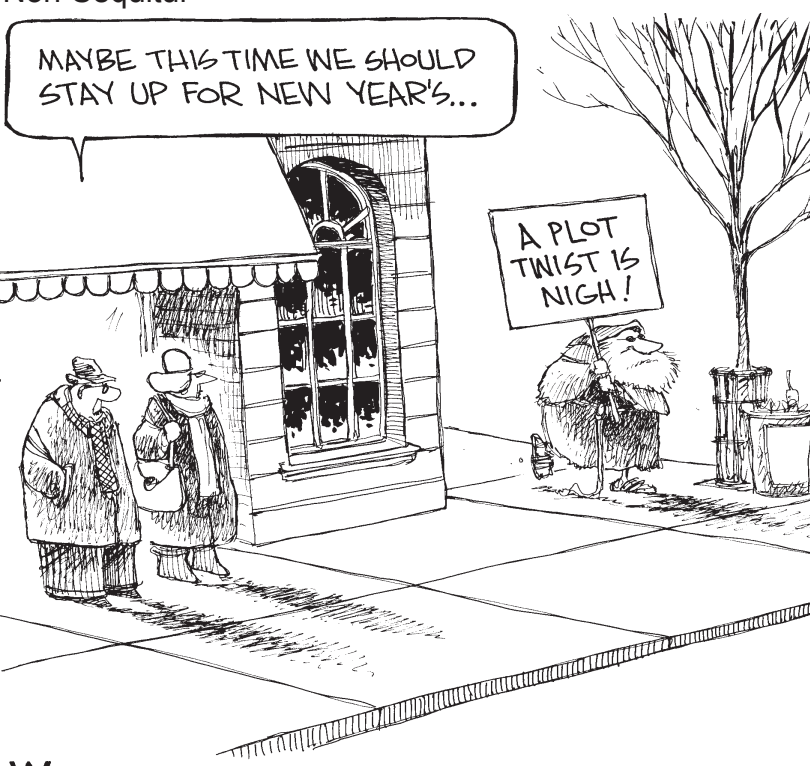
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"Mommy, can I have a cup of kindness before I go to bed tonight?"
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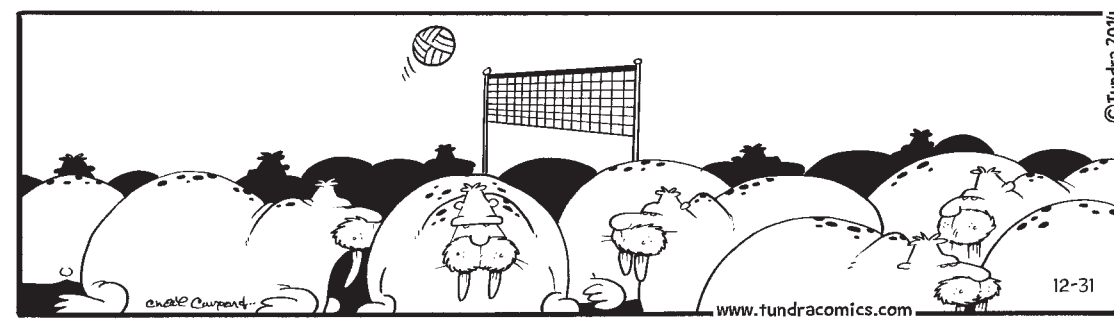
daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Jan. 1, 2015:
This year you add wisdom and wit to your communication style. You might not even be conscious of how much your style is transforming, but others' responses will indicate a difference. Your focus will be less on long-term goals and more on your daily life. If you are single, an unusual person walks into your life. You will need to decide what type of bond you want. If you are attached, the two of you enjoy developing a daily routine together. Passions often run high, and you'll perfect the art of kissing and making up. GEMINI can be scattered.
The Stars Show the Kind of Day You'll Have: 5-Dynamic; 4-Positive; 3-Average; 2-So-so; 1-Difficult

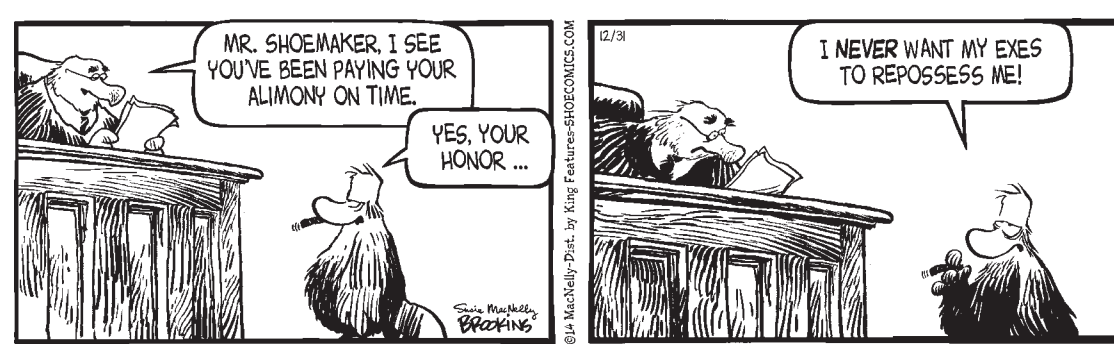
ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You'll wake up feeling thankful. Those in your inner circle might express their feelings, though one person could be closing down. Don't worry -- your optimism will draw this person out. Listen carefully to what he or she has to say. Tonight: Follow your imagination.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Now that the pace is slowing down, you might want to consider everything that has happened over the past few weeks. You finally will be able to evaluate the cost of the holidays. Be practical as you look at your budget. Tonight: Reach out to a special person.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You could be in a situation where you feel overwhelmed by everything that is happening around you. A partner could be less than happy about dealing with a personal matter. In fact, his or her response might be to leave the issue unresolved. Tonight: Ask questions.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You could be stressed out about what is going on around you. You tend to get so into the holidays that you have difficulty saying goodbye to that time of year. Curl up and take a much-needed nap. Tonight: Allow yourself the freedom of doing nothing.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You might have more fun today than you have had during most of the holiday season. You will want to have a long-overdue discussion with a loved one that the hectic pace of the past weeks has prevented. Don't be surprised to hear some anger. Tonight:

In the here and now.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You suddenly might start thinking about everything you still haven't done, which could add to the pressure of the moment. Stay calm; otherwise, you easily could get into a tongue-lashing with an associate. Enjoy some downtime. Tonight: Pace yourself.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You may want to open up to a change. A loved one could be extremely touchy and willful. You can't seem to avoid confrontation anymore. Revisit a goal you thought you had fulfilled but actually haven't. Relax at home. Tonight: Make a call to a friend at a distance.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You'll deal with a situation differently from how you have in the past. You are able to communicate your bottom line much more easily now. Know that you can't control someone who might decide to be angry and vocal. Go out for a while. Tonight: Be a duo.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You might find that several people around you are pushing for more time with you, as you seem to have been somewhat of a recluse lately. You'll have had a lot to consider. Be careful -- an animated conversation could turn into a fight. Tonight: Consider your options.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ You have so much to do that you can't seem to squeeze in enough time to suit your group of friends. You know your priorities; there is nothing wrong with honoring them. Trust your decisions, and don't feel as if you need to explain. Tonight: Get some exercise.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You might want to kick back and do some hard thinking about your choices, yet someone seeking a good time could walk in through your front door. You'll be able to make all the difference in this person's day. Go with spontaneity. Tonight: And the party continues.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You might feel a sense of obligation to make certain decisions and take some time putting order back into your life. You could find yourself feeling angry for no reason. Be sensitive to what a friend offers or suggests as a solution. Tonight: Invite friends over.

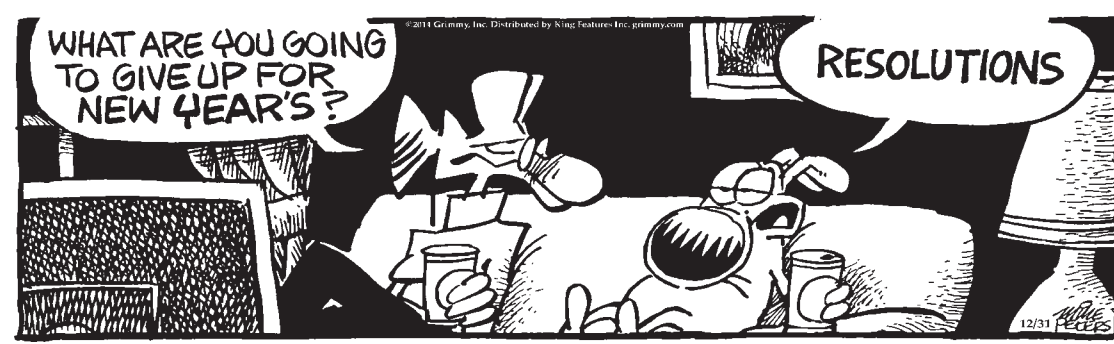
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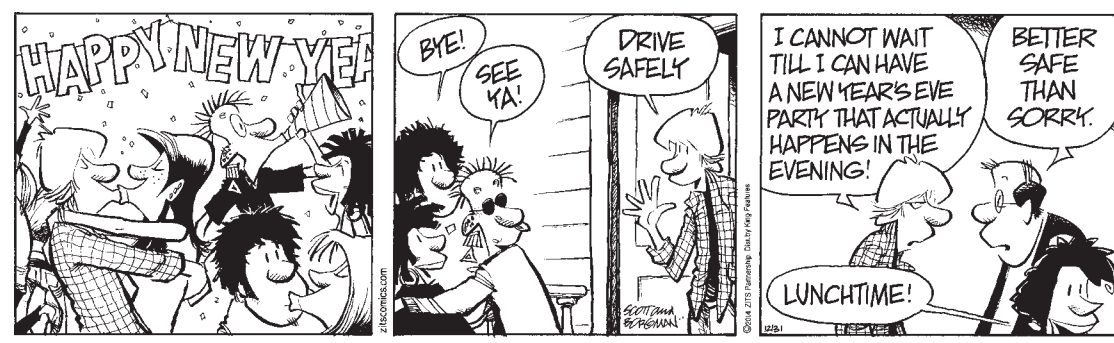
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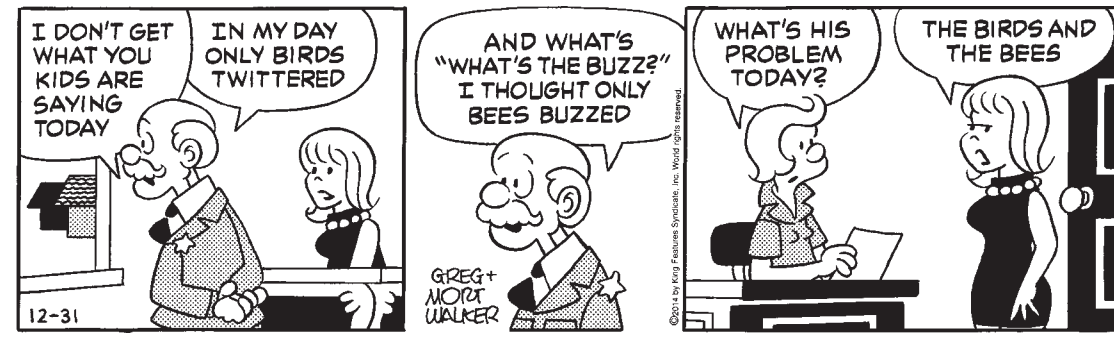
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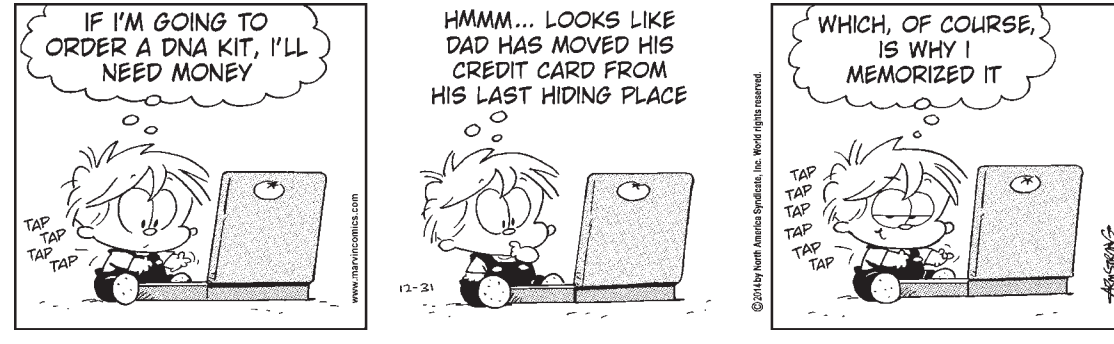
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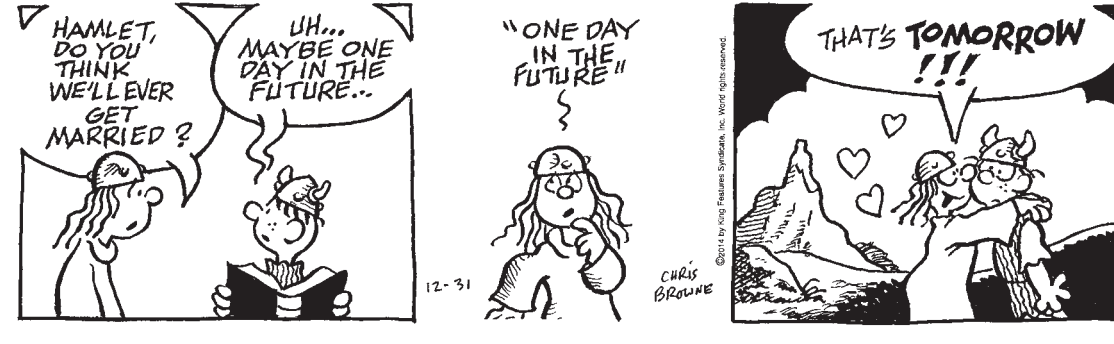
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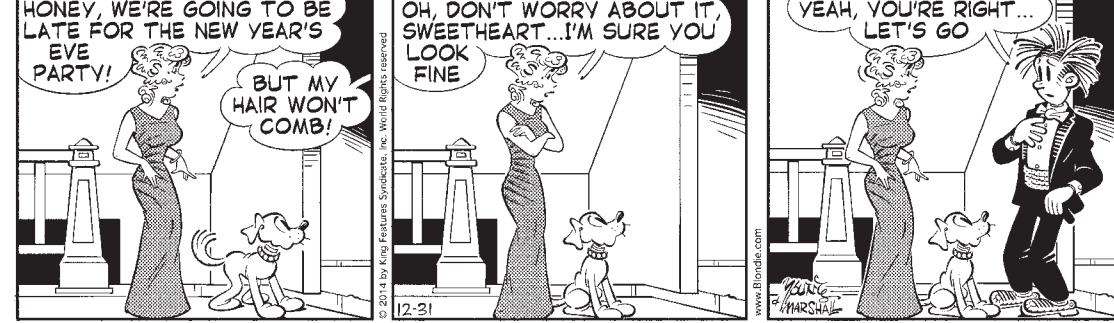
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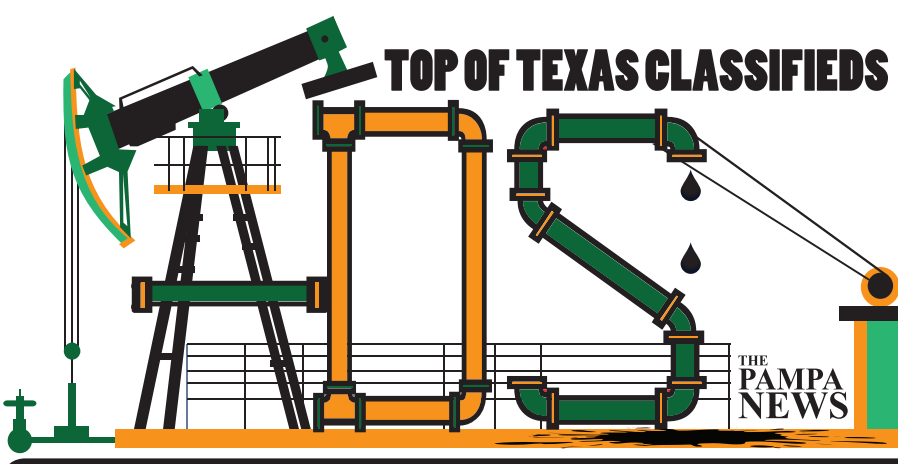


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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: My 16-year-old daughter, "Sierra," started baby-sitting in the afternoons for a couple when she was 15. Sometimes her dad or I would drop her off; sometimes the husband, "Karl," would before he left for work. My husband and Karl became friends, and when Karl and his wife

split up, we let him stay on our couch for a few months. Then we found out Sierra was pregnant and that she and Karl had been sleeping together before he split with his wife. My daughter is upset that we want to involve the police and press charges because she was underage. How

can I get Sierra to stop hating me and understand that this relationship isn't healthy? — "THE ENEMY MOM" IN SOUTH CAROLINA
DEAR "ENEMY MOM": Sierra is mad at you because you are injecting an unwelcome note of reality into her fantasy of "love." Karl is a predator who needs

to be answerable for what he did. He will also have to support that child until he or she is no longer a minor. Because he has shown himself to be amoral and irresponsible, involve not only the police but also the department of social services to ensure that he lives up to all of his responsibilities.

DEAR ABBY: It was brought to my attention that an employee in my workplace was asked by his supervisor if he would be OK

with working with a gay male before the person was interviewed. Is this even legal? She basically "outed" the potential employee in the workplace.

If the person she asked did have a problem working with someone who's gay, it implies the man wouldn't have been hired, which would be discrimination, wouldn't it? Couldn't that lead to a possible lawsuit? Or am I wrong? — RIGHT OR WRONG IN WISCONSIN

DEAR RIGHT OR WRONG: I discussed your question with an attorney from Lambda Legal, the national organization committed to achieving full recognition of the civil rights of LGBT people. Currently, 21 states plus the District of Columbia have laws that protect gay people from employment discrimination. Wisconsin is one of them.

The attorney said that "outing" the candidate to the other employee was "not necessarily illegal," but that it was "DEFINITELY a bad business practice."

In the 21 states that offer protection for gay people, a prospective employer cannot base a

hiring decision on how comfortable someone is with the candidate's sexual orientation, or the perception that a co-worker or customer might be uncomfortable with a gay person. That is discrimination, and it IS illegal.

DEAR READERS: The year is almost over — I can't believe how fast it has gone! Please accept my heartfelt wish for a happy, healthy and prosperous 2015. And if you are partying this evening, please be safe!
LOVE, ABBY

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Bowl Pick'em Dec. 30 Update

STAFF REPORT

The following are the standings will the first 21 bowls down.

Every bowl that was played through Monday Dec. 29 will be included.

The next bowl pick update will be on Saturday. There will be 11 games between now and then and there should be a lot of movement in the standings.

There are three games on Dec. 30 that results came in after press time. There are three games on Dec. 31 and five games on Jan. 1.

Best of luck and just a reminder that though Zac and Keith are high up in the standings they cannot win the prize.

| Participant | Record |
|----------------------|---------|
| Martha Tiedt | 16 - 5 |
| Patrick Kulle | 16 - 5 |
| Bert Encina | 15 - 6 |
| Greg Poynor | 15 - 6 |
| Keith Woods* | 15 - 6 |
| Susan Tripplehorn | 15 - 6 |
| Zac Green* | 15 - 6 |
| Kenny Maple | 14 - 7 |
| Linda Perez | 14 - 7 |
| Tom Lindsey | 14 - 7 |
| Andy Lopez | 13 - 8 |
| Donna Bennett | 13 - 8 |
| Jana Vinson | 13 - 8 |
| Jarrett Waggoner | 13 - 8 |
| Jim and Louise Dills | 13 - 8 |
| Roger Tiedt | 13 - 8 |
| Seth Erickson | 13 - 8 |
| Aaron Manous | 12 - 9 |
| Christie Eads | 12 - 9 |
| Del Smith | 12 - 9 |
| Gary Turley | 12 - 9 |
| Herb Minton | 12 - 9 |
| Jax Waggoner | 12 - 9 |
| Kaleb Snelgrooes | 12 - 9 |
| Mike Erickson | 12 - 9 |
| Nicolas Saucedo | 12 - 9 |
| Shane Stokes | 12 - 9 |
| Bret Bethke | 11 - 10 |
| Brian Poynor | 11 - 10 |
| Cameron Johnston | 11 - 10 |
| Clara Achord | 11 - 10 |
| Clint Wood | 11 - 10 |
| Jimmy Ellison | 11 - 10 |
| Joel Baker | 11 - 10 |

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| Logan Turley | 11 - 10 |
| ReDonn Woods* | 11 - 10 |
| Roy Stephens | 11 - 10 |
| Clyde Coffee | 10 - 11 |
| J.P. Wright | 10 - 11 |
| Lindsey Tomaschik* | 10 - 11 |
| Willie Caldwell | 10 - 11 |
| Allen Jenkins | 9 - 12 |
| Donald Denham | 9 - 12 |
| John Lee* | 9 - 12 |
| Johnny Achord | 9 - 12 |
| Josh Kelley | 9 - 12 |
| Melvin Ball | 9 - 12 |
| Tommy Burns | 8 - 13 |

The Pampa News' Staff NFL Playoff picks

STAFF REPORT

The Pampa News' staff made their picks for the 2014 NFL playoffs. Here they are.

Lindsey

Steelers over Ravens.
Colts over Bengals.
Patriots over Colts.
Broncos over Steelers.
Broncos over Patriots.
Cardinals over Panthers.
Cowboys over Lions.
Seahawks over Cardinals.
Packers over Cowboys.
Packers over Seahawks.
Super Bowl: Broncos over Packers.

John

Steelers over Ravens.
Colts over Bengals.
Patriots over Colts.
Broncos over Steelers.

Broncos over Patriots.
Panthers over Cardinals.
Cowboys over Lions.
Seahawks over Panthers.
Packers over Cowboys.
Packers over Seahawks.
Super Bowl: Broncos over Packers.

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Steelers over Ravens.
Colts over Bengals.
Colts over Patriots.
Broncos over Steelers.
Broncos over Colts.
Cardinals over Panthers.
Cowboys over Lions.
Seahawks over Cardinals.
Cowboys over Packers.
Cowboys over Seahawks.
Super Bowl: Cowboys over Broncos.

Zac

Ravens over Steelers.
Colts over Bengals.
Patriots over Colts.
Broncos over Ravens.
Patriots over Broncos.
Panthers over Cardinals.
Cowboys over Lions.
Seahawks over Panthers.
Packers over Cowboys.
Packers over Seahawks.
Super Bowl: Packers over Patriots.

Let us know your playoff picks by telling us on Facebook or emailing one of us.

The consensus with everyone but Zac is that the Broncos will make the Super Bowl again this year. The consensus all around is that our staff believes the Seahawks will not get a chance to repeat. It should be fun!

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Lindsey wins NFL staff picks

STAFF REPORT
Both sports writers were outsmarted by the reporter and publisher in NFL and college staff picks this season.

Lindsey Tomaschik took home first place in our staff NFL picks with a record of 170-84-1.

John Lee took second with a record of 161-93-1.

Zac Green came third with a record of 160-94-1.

ReDonn Woods took fourth place with a record of 144-110-1.

Look on page 13 for our staff playoff picks.

Ryan's Jets tenure filled with memorable moments

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. (AP) — From the moment Rex Ryan first strolled through the door, it was clear things would be different around the New York Jets.

He was a larger-than-life character with a mouth that matched his size and swagger, starting with his declaration at his introductory news conference that his team would soon meet the president as Super Bowl champions.

It never happened for Ryan and the Jets, and the losing eventually outweighed everything else, as owner Woody Johnson fired the popular and sometimes-controversial coach after six seasons on Monday, along with general manager John Idzik.

While Ryan's coaching decisions and no-holds-barred approach were often criticized, he could never be accused of being boring. Here are just a few of the seemingly endless entertaining moments that made Ryan's time as Jets coach one of the most-talked about NFL tenures in recent memory:
HERE'S REX: It took Ryan only a few seconds into his first news conference to win over Jets fans with talk of winning Super Bowls, fielding a tough team and changing the way outsiders looked at the franchise.

Watch the Pros - Wednesday New Year's Eve

College Football Bowls

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| Mississippi v. TCU..... | ESPN 11:30 a.m. |
| Boise State v. Arizona..... | ESPN 3:10 p.m. |
| Mississippi State v. Georgia Tech..... | ESPN 7:10 p.m. |

College Basketball

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| Tulane at East Carolina..... | ESPNN 11 a.m. |
| Tulsa at Central Florida..... | ESPNU 11 a.m. |
| St. John's at Seton Hall..... | FS1 11 a.m. |
| Temple at UCONN..... | ESPN2 12 p.m. |
| Houston at Memphis..... | ESPNU 1 p.m. |
| Butler at Villanova..... | FS1 1:30 p.m. |
| Vanderbilt at St. Louis..... | FCSA 1 p.m. |
| Wofford at Duke..... | FSSW 2 p.m. |
| Georgia at Kansas State..... | ESPNU 3 p.m. |
| South Florida at SMU..... | ESPN2 4 p.m. |
| George Mason at Oklahoma..... | FSSW 4 p.m. |
| Marquette at DePaul..... | FS1 4 p.m. |
| Cornell at Syracuse..... | ESPNU 5 p.m. |
| Creighton at Providence..... | FS1 6:30 p.m. |
| Georgetown at Xavier..... | FS1 9 p.m. |

NHL Hockey

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| Phoenix Coyotes at Dallas Stars..... | FSSW 7 p.m. |
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Horse Racing

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| Horse Racing From Hong Kong..... | TVG 11 p.m. |
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Game times and channels are subject to change.

Watch the Pros - Thursday New Year's Day

College Football Bowls

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| Auburn v. Wisconsin..... | ESPN2 11 a.m. |
| Missouri v. Minnesota..... | KVII 12 p.m. |
| Michigan State v. Baylor..... | ESPN 11:45 a.m. |
| Oregon v. Florida State..... | ESPN 4:10 p.m. |
| Alabama v. Ohio State..... | ESPN 7:50 p.m. |

NHL Hockey

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| Chicago Blackhawks at Wash. Capitals..... | KAMR 12 p.m. |
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Soccer

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| Manchester United at Stoke..... | NBCS 6:40 a.m. |
| Teams TBA..... | NBCS 8:55 a.m. |
| Chelsea at Tottenham..... | NBCS 11:25 a.m. |

Women's College Basketball

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| Santa Clara at BYU..... | BYU 1:30 p.m. |
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Girls Basketball

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| Varsity hosts Idalou..... | 6 p.m. - Jan. 2 - McNeely |
| JV hosts Idalou..... | 4:30 p.m. - Jan. 2 - McNeely |
| Freshmen hosts Panhandle..... | 7:30 p.m. - Jan. 2 - McNeely |

Boys Basketball

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| Freshmen at Perryton Tournament..... | Jan. 1 - 3 |
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Girls Soccer

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| Scrimmage at Dumas..... | Jan. 2 - Dumas |
| Scrimmage v. Alumni..... | Jan. 3 - Pampa |

Wrestling

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| Pampa Bash..... | 10 a.m. - Jan. 3 - McNeely |
| Dual v. River Road..... | 5 p.m. - Jan. 5 - Pampa |

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