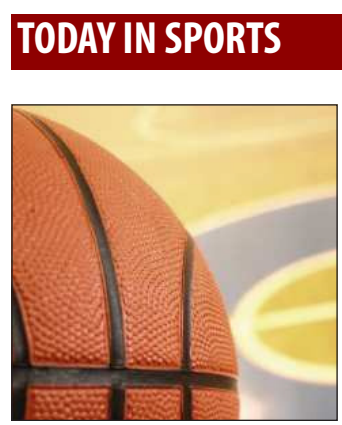


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Home destroyed in fire



Photos by Nate Harvey

Around 1 p.m. Friday the Pampa Fire Department responded to a house fire in the 2200 block of Williston Street. Firefighters doused the fire from all angles of the house for an hour as smoke poured out through the roof and blew to the north. There were firefighters stationed on the north end of the house to ensure the wind did not transfer the flames onto the residence next door and additional units arrived and started shooting water from the back of the house. After about 40 minutes at the scene, the roof of the structure caved in allowing flames to be visible until the firefighters got the fire under control. The fire was not far from the old Pampa Middle School and police were detouring traffic around the scene. No official word on occupants or possible injuries at the time of printing. Some of the responding personnel were called away from the fire once it was under control in order to respond to a vehicle rollover at the corner of Kentucky and Price Road.

AimBank to buy First State Bank of Miami

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AimBank is excited to announce that it has agreed to acquire the banking operations of First State Bank of Miami with locations in Miami and Pampa. The acquisition is pending regulatory and shareholder approval, with an expected closing date during the early second quarter of 2014, which is when the name change will occur as well.

AimBank is headquartered in Levelland. The acquirement of the banks in Pampa and Miami will add two more AimBank locations. There are currently 10.

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Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik

From left, Chairman of the Board of First State Bank of Miami David Locke, Executive Vice President and Chief Operations Officer of AimBank Jeremy Ferrell, Chairman of the Board of AimBank Scott Wade, Executive Vice President of First State Bank of Miami Cody Bivens.

The revolution is here

■ Pampa resident to host public radio program that combines politics and music.

BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE
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Eccentric rock musician Frank Zappa once said, "Jazz is not dead, it just smells funny."

Protest music isn't dead, either, it's just hard to find a single radio station that can play it because it crosses so many different genres.

Until now. At 2 p.m. today, a program called "Revolutionary Hour" premieres on High Plains Public Radio, hosted by Pampa resident Bruno Baltodano.

Baltodano is a political sci-
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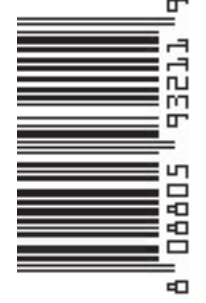
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Scott Wade, chairman of the board of AimBank, and David Locke, chairman of the board of First State Bank of Miami since 1978, commented about the potential acquisition.

"AimBank is a West Texas community bank operating in the South Plains, Permian Basin and Big Country regions of Texas," Wade said. "The Panhandle region is an important part of West Texas, and Pampa and Miami provide us a wonderful entry into the area. Both locations are a natural fit for AimBank



because they are similar to other rural areas the bank currently services, which include Levelland, Littlefield and Snyder. They both have diversified agriculture, cattle and oilfield service company businesses, which AimBank specializes in providing financial services to. Pampa and Miami expand our geographic footprint extremely well and will add approximately \$40 million in total assets to the footings of AimBank."

Wade also said he plans on increasing profits in the area by coming into the market and taking care of existing customers as well as finding new customers to serve. AimBank has experienced much success in new banks in the past and Wade is excited to be moving into the Panhandle.

Locke said, "We know AimBank will continue their genuine hometown banking tradition and our employees and custom-

ers will be in good hands. AimBank will retain all employees of the First State Bank, allowing its customers to see the same faces that have provided them with exceptional service for all our years."

Wade added, "AimBank has strong community roots and its concern is placing the needs of the customer first. We are committed to continued growth and expanded service and are very excited about entering the Pampa and Miami communities. This expansion is the first such move north into the Panhandle for AimBank and is expected to provide us with a great opportunity."

Jeremy Ferrel, chief operating officer for AimBank, was born and raised in Pampa and is a graduate of Pampa High School.

"The Panhandle is an area AimBank's considered entering for many years and I'm excited that we are expanding into my hometown with our first move," he said. "The timing of the acquisition is outstanding as I know Pampa is having great economic success."

AimBank is a full service community bank established in 1925 with \$440 million in assets and locations in Littlefield, Levelland, Lubbock, Wolfforth, Midland, Odessa and Snyder. The banking locations combined with its fee-free ATM network are located inside more than 500 Stripes convenience stores in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma and will provide First State Bank customers added convenience. AimBank has a legal lending limit in excess of \$8.5 million and takes great pride in lending to small businesses in the areas in which it serves. AimBank is a five-star bank rated one of the safest in the nation.

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ence professor and pens the weekly column "This Land Is Our Land" for The Pampa News.

"Revolutionary Hour" explores the intersection between popular music and politics.

"I will be playing Woody Guthrie, Bruce Springsteen, the Cranberries, U2, reggae, country, heavy metal — anything that has a political message," he said.

The one-hour show is taped at the HPPR studio in Amarillo.

Baltodano said the format is simple: he plays songs with a political message and then presents a commentary about each one.

"It is sort of like a hybrid talk radio and music show," he said.

In the future the show

may be live, with listeners having the opportunity to call in during broadcasts, he said.

Baltodano admits he is the only person in his family who doesn't play a musical instrument or sing, but is a lover of all kinds of music.

His interest in music and politics began as a child growing up in Nicaragua, where pirate radio stations played songs of the Sandinista Revolution. This interest continues to be fueled today by songs that, to borrow the words of the immortal Marvin Gaye, act as a doorway to help us "see what's going on" in the world, he said.

Baltodano said he came up with the idea of merging politics with music while teaching political science in Idaho.

"Every year I would get students asking what they could do for extra credit," he said. "A more interest-

ing project I thought of was for them to analyze a political song."

Then, about two years ago, the university had a call for individuals who wanted to volunteer as DJs on the school's free-form radio station.

Baltodano said he jumped at the opportunity to do his own show with politics and music.

This summer, Baltodano relocated to Pampa when his wife, Laura, was hired as a veterinarian at Easley Animal Hospital.

Having the urge to get back on the air, he contacted the program director of HPPR in Garden City, Kan. and pitched his idea for a show that mixed tunes with politics.

Baltodano said they discussed the idea for several weeks and "Revolutionary Hour" was born.

He said each show will have a unique theme.

Today's theme is social

denial. The songs he has picked will tell the tales of a wife who refuses to admit that her husband is abusing her, communities that deny racism and terrorism during the Jim Crow Era and nations that deny genocide.

"One of the songs I will play is 'Independence Day,' by Martina McBride which is about a community denying long-term spousal abuse from a husband who is beating his wife."

He said absentee fathers is the theme next week.

"I am excited about the show and am looking forward to how it is received," he said. "I hope people will send in their suggestions."

To make suggestions or comments, email Baltodano at bbaltodano@hppr.org.

To listen to the show, turn your FM dial to 89.5 or stream from the website, www.hppr.org at 2 p.m. on Saturdays.

Library offers glimpse of bookless future

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Texas has seen the future of the public library, and it looks a lot like an Apple Store: Rows of glossy iPads beckon.

iPads mounted on a tangerine-colored bar invite readers. And hundreds of other tablets stand ready for checkout to anyone with a borrowing card.

Even the librarians imitate Apple's dress code, wearing matching shirts and that standard-bearer of geek-chic, the hoodie. But this \$2.3 million library might be most notable for what it does not have — any actual books.

That makes Bexar County's BiblioTech the nation's only bookless public library, a distinction that has attracted scores of digital bookworms, plus emissaries from as far away as Hong Kong who want to learn about the idea and possibly take it home.

"I told our people that you need to take a look at this. This is the future," said Mary Graham, vice president of South Carolina's Charleston Metro Chamber of Commerce. "If you're going to be building new library facilities, this is what you need to be doing."

All-digital libraries have been on college campuses for years. But the county, which runs no other libraries, made history when it decided to open BiblioTech.

It is the first bookless public library system in the country, according to

information gathered by the American Library Association.

Similar proposals in other communities have been met with doubts.

In California, the city of Newport Beach floated the concept of a bookless branch in 2011 until a backlash put stacks back in the plan.

Nearly a decade earlier in Arizona, the Tucson-Pima library system opened an all-digital branch, but residents who said they wanted books ultimately got their way.

Graham toured BiblioTech in the fall and is pushing Charleston leaders for a bond measure in 2014 to fund a similar concept, right down to the same hip aesthetic reminiscent of Apple.

Except Apple Stores aren't usually found in parts of town like this. BiblioTech is on the city's economically depressed South Side and shares an old strip mall with a Bexar County government building.

On a recent afternoon, one confused couple walked into the library looking for the justice of the peace.

San Antonio is the nation's seventh-largest city but ranks 60th in literacy, according to census figures. Back in the early 2000s, community leaders in Bibliotech's neighborhood of low-income apartments and thrift stores railed about not even having a nearby bookstore, said Laura Cole, Biblio-

Tech's project coordinator. A decade later, Cole said, most families in the area still don't have wi-fi.

"How do you advance literacy with so few resources available?" she said.

Residents are taking advantage now. The library is on pace to surpass 100,000 visitors in its first year. Finding an open iMac among the four dozen at BiblioTech is often difficult after the nearby high school lets out, and about half of the facility's e-readers are checked out at any given time, each loaded with up to five books.

One of BiblioTech's regulars is a man teaching himself Mandarin.

Head librarian Ashley Elkholf came from a traditional Wisconsin high school library and recalled the scourges of her old job: misshelved items hopelessly lost in the stacks, pages thoughtlessly ripped out of books and items that went unreturned by patrons who were unfazed by mealy fines and lax enforcement.

But in the nearly four months since BiblioTech opened, Elkholf has yet to lend out one of her pricey tablets and never see it again. The space is also more economical than traditional libraries: BiblioTech purchases its 10,000-title digital collection for the same price as physical copies, but the county saved millions on architecture because the

building's design didn't need to accommodate printed books.

"If you have bookshelves, you have to structure the building so it can hold all of that weight," Elkholf said. "Books are heavy, if you've ever had one fall on your foot."

Up the road in Austin, for example, the city is building a downtown library to open in 2016 at a cost of \$120 million. Even a smaller traditional public library that recently opened in nearby suburban Kyle cost that city about \$1 million more than BiblioTech.

On her first visit, 19-year-old Abigail Reyes was only looking for a quiet space to study for an algebra exam.

But she got a quick tutorial from a librarian on how to search for digital books and check out tablets before plopping down on a row of sleek couches. "I kind of miss the books," Reyes said. "I don't like being on the tablets and stuff like that. It hurts my eyes."

Across the room, Rosemary Caballeo tried shopping for health insurance on a set of computers reserved for enrollment in the Affordable Care Act. Her restless 2-year-old ran around and pawed at a row of keyboards. The little girl shrieked loudly, shattering the main room's quiet. She was soon whisked outside by her father.

After all, it's still a library.

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Tonight: Snow showers early with a low of 17. Chance of precipitation: 30 percent. Winds north at 15 mph. Sunset at 5:45 p.m.

Sunday: Mostly sunny with a high of 39. Chance of precipitation: 10 percent. Winds north at 9 mph. Sunset at 7:54 a.m.

Sunday night: Partly cloudy with a low of 10. Winds northeast at 9 mph. Sunset at 5:45 p.m.

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Obituaries

Nicholas Clyde Nelson

Nicholas Clyde Nelson, 28, died Dec. 28, 2013, in Pampa. Local memorial services will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2014, at First Christian Church, with Dr. Jeff Knighton, pastor, officiating. Other memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, 2014 in Bunn, N.C. at his brother's residence. Cremation and arrangements are by Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.



Nicholas Nelson

Mr. Nelson was born March 11, 1985 in Amarillo. Nick worked in Bunn, N.C. with his brother in a concrete contracting business before recently returning to Texas. He was a very kind person, was extremely witty, and had a smile that lit up the room. He had an amazing ability to help people see the humor in everyday life. Nick loved music, had a beautiful

baritone voice, and was extremely talented. Words cannot express how much Nick was loved and will be missed by those close to him.

Survivors include his children, Isaac Clyde and Avery Nichole Nelson, Haylee Renee Davis, and Jarron Clyde Daniels; his mother and stepfather, Michelle and Calvin Menefield, of Rogersville, Mo.; a brother, Eric Richard Parker and wife Sandra of Bunn, N.C.; a sister, Chelsea Liedstrand of Washington, D.C.; and his grandparents, Glen and Phylliss Courtney of Branson, Mo. He was preceded in death by his father, Ronald Clyde Nelson, in 2002, and his grandmother, Joan Reeves Courtney, in 2001.

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

Willie Mae Wilson Mangold

Willie Mae Wilson Mangold died Jan. 2, 2014 in Glen Rose. Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6, 2014, at Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel in Pampa, with John Curry, officiating. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa, under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.



Willie Mae Mangold

Willie Mae was born March 22, 1921, near Gruver, to Clinton and Cassie Wilson. She graduated from Gruver High School at 16, and she attended West Texas State, earning a bachelor of arts in Science Education by age 20. She married Charles Otto Mangold, Jr. on Sept. 25, 1942 in Amarillo. He preceded her in death in 1996. From 1942 to 1944, she instructed soldiers in the electrical systems on B17 and B29 airplane bombers at the Amarillo Air Force Base. She taught school for 48 years in Canadian, Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, and Pampa. In 1969, she received her Master's in Science Education from Texas A&M College Station. In 1973, she was awarded the Texas Conservation Teacher of the Year.

Throughout her life she was an active member of the First Baptist Church, Delta Kappa Gamma, DAR, Daughters of the Confederacy, and after her retirement, the Pampa Retired

Teachers Association. Although she was active in the community, she always made time to play Bridge, her favorite card game.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother Travis Wilson.

She is survived by her daughter, Cassandra Weyandt and husband Tom of Glen Rose; granddaughter, Bonnie Weyandt of Glen Rose; niece, Jeanne Hardin of Knoxville, Tenn.; and nephews, Tony Christopher of Corona del Mar, Calif., and Mitchell Wilson of Brackettville.

The family will receive friends from 5-6:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, 2014, at Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Home in Pampa.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 621, Pampa, Texas 79066-0621, Pampa Meals on Wheels, P.O. Box 939, Pampa, Texas 79066-0939, Pampa Senior Citizens Center, P.O. Box 475, Pampa, Texas 79066-0435, Cal Farley's Boys Ranch, 600 SW 11th Ave., Amarillo, Texas 79101, or Alzheimer's Association, 415 W. 8th Ave., Suite 300, Amarillo, Texas 79101.

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Alexis Anne Mulanax

Alexis Anne Mulanax, 30, passed away Wednesday, Jan. 1, 2014 in Pampa.

Services will be at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Jan 7, 2014, at Briarwood Church with Bro. Paul Nachtigall, officiating. Burial will be at Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.



Alexis Mulanax

Mrs. Mulanax was born on May 14, 1983 in Pampa. She attended Pampa schools. She played varsity volleyball and softball for the Pampa Lady Harvesters and graduated from Pampa High School in 2001. She later attended Amarillo College where she studied Dental Hygiene and Education. She and her husband Jerry were high school sweethearts since 1999 and they would later marry in 2007 in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.

While in college in Amarillo she worked for Olive Garden and Logan's Roadhouse. In Pampa, she worked for Broome Optical until she focused on raising her daughter. Alexis was an artist and she expressed herself through photography, arts & crafts, just to name a few. She will be remembered as a very thoughtful person and an extremely devoted mother.


Survivors include her husband, Jerry Mulanax and their daughter, Natalie Grace Mulanax both of the home; parents, Ace and Brenda Amador of Pampa; one sister, April McElroy and husband Eric of Brownfield; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Adam and Sonia Mulanax of Pampa; three brothers-in-law, Mark Mulanax and partner Justin Walker of Amarillo, Jake Mulanax and wife Stephanie, and Ben Mulanax, all of Pampa; paternal grandparents, Adelaido and Ignacia Amador; maternal grandmother, Novella Burns of Pampa; and numerous nieces, nephews and many cousins.

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Bouncin' Around It's never too late for kind words

Several years ago we attended the funeral of an elderly gentleman who was a member of our church. Henry



JUDITH SMITH

was an amazing man, full of stories and jokes and witty sayings. He seemed like he was six feet tall, when in reality he was probably not much over five feet. I remember his sparkling blue eyes, silver hair, and watching him dance in the aisle of the sanctuary when the

Presby Stompers played "When the Saints Go Marching In."

But what I remember the most was the sadness expressed by one individual when he gave a eulogy for Henry, and said that he wished he had told him all the things he admired about him when he was alive. We all want and need to be appreciated and to feel valued. We hug our children and our family and tell them we love them (or at least I hope you do!) But how often do you tell a loved one specifically why you appreciate them or how much they mean to

you and why? When you were a child, the gold star or the smiley face sticker the teacher gave you for a good grade gave you a special feeling. When our children are young, they often take a small gift to their teacher for Christmas. When an extraordinary teacher brings out the best in our child, do we take the time to tell him or her how much we appreciate what they've done? I had that opportunity a few years ago, and contacted a teacher I had in high school. I told him exactly how he had helped me, and how much it meant that he believed in me and encouraged me. He expressed joy at hearing my gratitude and said it was good to know he had touched someone in a positive and lasting manner. Several pastors have had a profound effect on my spiritual life, as well as being considered good and lasting friends.

I've stayed in touch with them; Julia has moved to Scotland to pastor a church there; Fred and his wife moved back to North Carolina to be near family; we moved away from Illinois, but we still feel a strong connection with Jed and Sue. Jim, in Amarillo, cared

for us through our difficult first year in Texas; Nancy welcomed us into our current church with open arms, and the hugs have never stopped. We now have a new pastor, Jim, who has already inspired us and will, I am sure, continue to help us grow. A couple of doctors, some therapists, and some nurses have encouraged both of us and treated us with compassion and excellent care. A dear friend recently told me how a story I wrote eight years ago lifted her up then, and continues to give her hope.

Some readers of this column have graciously let me know that they enjoy reading my words, and believe me, that praise energizes me better than any vitamin! Look around you: whom can you honor with a living eulogy? If there is a teacher, pastor, friend, relative, doctor, nurse or anyone who lifts you up and makes or has made you a better person, please let them know. Your words will be much more appreciated while that person lives than if spoken at their funeral.

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Pastor's Point Happy New Year?

I'm thinking about what it might take for us to have a "happy" new year.



REV. JIM FRIEDEWALD

All of us have some potential fears and problems as we face the New Year. Some of them are corporate fears,

national and international situations that will impact our world and our lives. Obviously, all of us have our own personal fears and concerns. As a new year stretches before us it occurs to me instability is nothing new for the people of God. In every generation people have faced moments when fear threatened to overwhelm faith. God's word to God's people is always "fear not." Years ago I remember reading that the phrase "fear not" is repeated 365 times in the Bible—once for every day in the year. No matter what happens in 2014 — or in the years to come — God's word to us is the same: "fear not."

While in prison, the apostle Paul wrote a letter to members of the church in Philippi, a church he had started. In verses 4:10-13 he says, "I rejoice in the Lord greatly that now at last I have received your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned for me, but had no opportunity to show it. Not that I am referring to being in need; for I have learned to be content with whatever I have. I know what it is to have little, and I know what it is to have plenty. In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of having plenty and of being in need. I can do all things through him who strengthens me."

Have you ever wondered about the difference between "happiness" and "contentment?" Our Declaration of Independence

uniquely allows us to pursue happiness, but obviously falls short of being able to guarantee our happiness. This can lead us to believe we are entitled to be happy. So when we find ourselves unhappy we spend a significant amount of time and energy lamenting the fact rather than working to change matters. M. Scott Peck, in his book "The Road Less Traveled," begins it with three brief words: "Life is difficult." He believes that if we accept this reality as a fundamental truth about life, we can be freed to deal with its challenges and difficulties without being bogged down about why bad and difficult things happen to us.

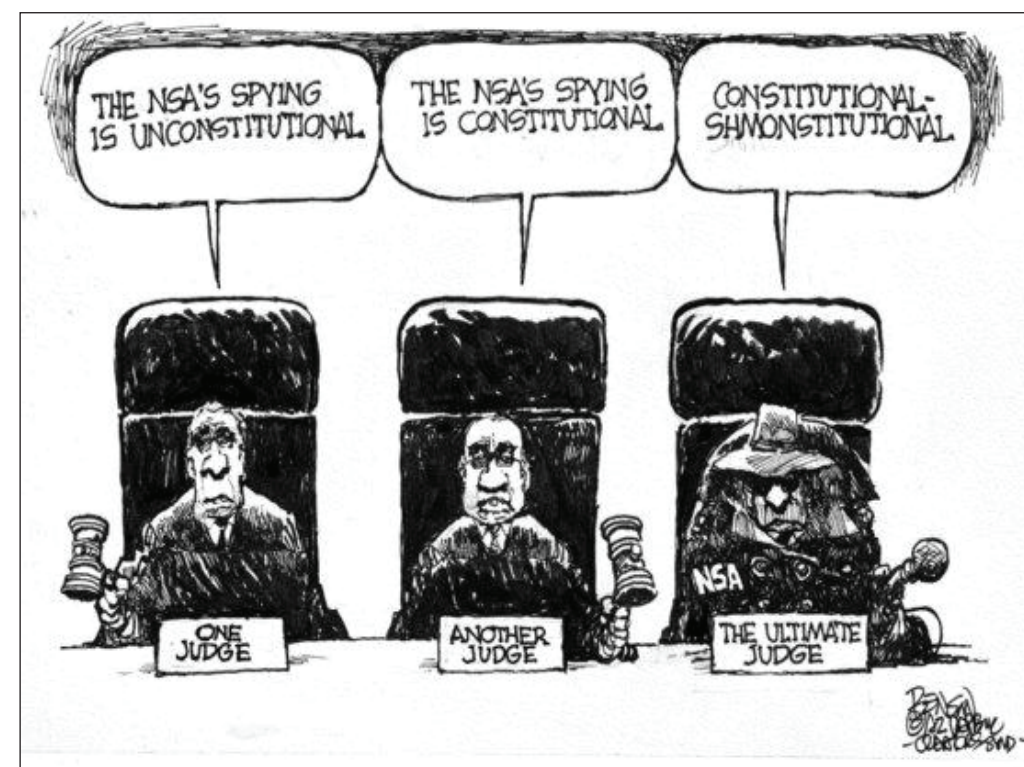
In Paul's comments to the Philippians he establishes contentment as a valued quality rather than happiness. It seems to follow that happiness is only attainable with people who find themselves content. Contentment comes first. For instance, the Winter Olympics are upon us and I can pretty much guarantee that if an athlete isn't "happy" before they have a medal they aren't going to be "happy" afterwards.

I would like to offer a three-part definition of contentment:

- Contentment is the belief that I have everything I need at this present moment.
- Contentment is the confidence that if I needed anything else, God would give it to me.
- Contentment is the certainty that when I need anything else, God will give it to me.

Expect a challenging year with highs and lows and work to deal with its challenges in order to optimize the good times. And most of all, remember, we can do all things through him who strengthens us. So be not afraid and live courageously. Happy New Year!

The Rev. Jim Friedewald is pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Pampa.



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This Land Is Our Land Father, forgive us; for we know not what we do to our children

If we listen to Reba McEntire, Kelly Clarkson, Kurt Cobain, and Tupac Shakur,



BRUNO BALTODANO

the worst sin a father can commit is to leave his family. And there's strong scientific data to back up their songs. Leading sociologists have labeled absentee fathers "the most pressing issue facing America today." Virtually every major social ill has been linked to fatherless children: violent crime, drug and alcohol abuse, truancy, unwed pregnancy, suicide, and psychological disorders — all correlating more strongly with fatherlessness than with other factors, including income and race.

- In the United States, one out of every three children grows up in homes without their biological fathers — a total of 24 million.
- U.S. Census Bureau data shows that children raised in father-absent homes are four times more likely to be poor. In 2011, 12 percent of children in married-couple families were living in poverty, compared to 44 percent of children in mother-only families.
- A study on juvenile offenders by The University of Pennsylvania and Princeton University indicated that family structure significantly predicts delinquency. Boys who grow up in homes without fathers are twice as likely

to end up in jail as those who come from traditional two-parent families — even when other factors like race, income and parent education were held constant.

- Even after controlling for difference in between metropolitan and rural settings, there is significantly more drug use among children who do not live with their mother and father.

Unfortunately, government policies intended to deal with the "fatherless crisis" (principally, "no-fault" divorce laws, child support collection, family courts and "get tough" guidelines in the criminal justice system for "deadbeat dads") have been ineffective at best because the root cause of the epidemic is not child abandonment but widespread lack of parenting skills.

Conventional wisdom assumes that the problem of fatherlessness stems solely from paternal abandonment. This is a dangerous, inaccurate myth.

Yes, an absent father leaves a terrible hole but no government or academic study has ever shown large numbers of fathers are voluntarily abandoning their children. In fact, those studies addressing the question have arrived at a rather different conclusion:

- In the largest federally funded study ever undertaken on the subject, psychologist Sanford Braver found the "deadbeat dad" who walks out on his family and evades child support "does not exist in significant numbers." She found a positive

correlation between absenteeism and the party who initiates the divorce. Unilateral divorce and child custody laws favor the spouse who initiates divorce proceedings. Less than 25 percent of divorces in the U.S. are initiated by the husband.

- In a five-year study, the Brookings Institute found 80 percent of fathers provide support to mothers during pregnancy and more than 70 percent visit their children at the hospital. At the time of birth, a vast majority indicated they wanted to help raise their child. Five years down the road, however, about 40 percent of unmarried mothers had already broken up with their child's father and entered into at least one new partnership. Fourteen percent had a child with a new partner.

I take issue with the stereotypes of men as absent, negligent fathers. Although my own father fit the stereotype (a womanizer whom I met only once before he became a soldier and died in the war), I firmly believe that our troubled history with our own fathers impacts our ability to be good fathers, not our desire to BE fathers to our children.

Coming into fatherhood I had no working model on how to be a dad, I had to put it together from scratch. God knows I've made mistakes, but I made a promise to myself long, long ago...I would be there for my kids, no matter what befell my relationship with their mother. I have a gut feeling that

the majority of my fellow "fathers-who-grew-up-without-a-father" feels the same way.

I'm not saying, "Bring the dads back into their homes." God also knows a good number of them don't really even know how to be good husbands. What I'm saying is, "Let's find a way to teach men how to be a good dad."

Just like domestic and foreign policy, the Federal Government has a "fatherhood policy." The Office of Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships is helping to coordinate it and, together with the Ad Council, last year it launched a series of national public service announcements that feature footage from Universal Pictures and Illumination Entertainment's *Despicable Me 2*.

The main message: "It's not always easy being a dad but, it's always worth it."

Speaking of faith-based models, Jesus himself had two dads to help him along the way. The Omnipotent one and Joseph, a poor itinerant carpenter who, regardless of the social conventions of his days, stayed with Mary and helped her raise a boy who was not his biological son.

I think Jesus turned out just fine.

Take time to be a good dad today.

Bruno Baltodano, a resident of Pampa, is a faculty adjunct at Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho. He teaches college courses on Global Politics and Terrorism.

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Underwood Law Firm announces new shareholders

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The Underwood Law Firm, P.C. is pleased to announce that Ronn Garcia and Matt Sherwood have become shareholders effective Jan. 1.



Ronn Garcia



Matt Sherwood

Garcia graduated from Wayland Baptist University in 2004 with a bachelor of science in 2004. He earned his juris doctorate in 2008 from the Texas Tech University School of Law. Garcia practices public education, employment and immigration law in the Underwood Law Firm's Lubbock office.

Sherwood graduated from Texas Tech University magna cum laude in 2005 with a bachelor of business administration. Sherwood earned his juris doctorate in 2008 from the Texas Tech University School of Law. His practice consists mainly of a wide variety of civil litigation. He represents clients in employment litigation (including wage and hour claims, retaliation claims and nonsubscriber litigation), commercial litigation (including contract disputes, deceptive trade practices claims, and UCC disputes), construction disputes and general civil litigation defense.

For the record

Pampa man arrested on assault charges

STAFF REPORT

- Abel Corona Aguilar, 30, Pampa, was arrested Thursday by the Pampa Police Department for assault with intent to cause bodily injury to a family member
- Juan Antonio Hernandez, 21, Pampa, was arrested Thursday by the Department of Public Safety for driving while his license is invalid.
- Floyd Willie Scales, 38, Amarillo, was arrested Thursday by DPS for theft of property — Potter County, theft of service by check — Mitchell County.
- Alicia Garcia, 44, Pampa, was arrested Thursday by PPD for failure to provide identification, capias pro fine — no driver's license, no driver's license, failure to

- maintain car insurance, failure to appear.
- Kendrick Deshawn Carey, 21, Pampa, was arrested Thursday by PPD for theft.
- Ricky Lynn Bintz, 30, Lubbock, was arrested Thursday by the Gray County Sheriff's Office for violation of probation — theft by check.
- James Blake House, 30, Wheeler, was arrested Thursday by GCSO for possession of a controlled substance, tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.
- Stephanie Nicole Powell, 32, Sayre, Okla., was arrested Thursday by GCSO for possession of a controlled substance, tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.

Obituaries

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Ian Michael Robbins

Ian Michael Robbins, 62, went to be with his newly found savior on Dec. 4, 2013 while living in Denton. Mike was born on Sept. 21, 1951 in Lansing, Mich. He attended schools in Pampa and worked at Peggy's Cafe until it closed. He was preceded in death by his father, Danford Dale Robbins. He is survived by his mother, Agnes Dorman of Annan, Scotland; three sisters, Donna Brown and husband Jim of Frisco, Carol Alexander of Oklahoma City and Kathy Cota and husband Harold of Pampa.



sunday horoscope

A baby born today has a Sun in Capricorn and a Moon in Pisces.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Jan. 5 2014:

This year you experience an unusual amount of intensity, especially regarding your emotions. You generally assume a reasonable attitude, and you experience situations and life in that manner; however, in the next few months, you could take some extreme stances, become very emotional and perhaps over-dramatic. This is just a phase. If you are single, someone you choose to be your sweetie might lose his or her appeal as time goes on. If you are attached, your sweetie frequently will be found taking an opposite stance from you. Try to compromise more often. **PISCES** understands your emotional extremes.

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)

Use your intuition, and you naturally will be at the right spot at the right time. Extremes mark the day. If you hit a snafu, recognize that much might be blown out of proportion. A discussion with a partner could reveal a different perspective. Tonight: Do your thing.

This Week: Ponder less and act more. Tension builds.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Happiness surrounds loved ones. You might decide to spontaneously invite some of your family over for a special dessert. Watch a close friend process very strong feelings. Tonight: A late talk is better than no talk.

This Week: Decide on your goals early Monday. Follow through the remainder of the week.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Someone you feel you need to respond to could become demanding. No matter what you do, you can't seem to please

this person. Ask for direction rather than push yourself beyond your limits. Tonight: Out till the wee hours.

This Week: When someone goes to hand you the reins, you might want to say "no."

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

Reach out to someone you care about. You might want to call this person on Sunday and catch up on his or her news. A family member could be grouchy because you aren't dotting on him or her. Tonight: Take a walk to do some thinking.

This Week: Think carefully Monday before acting on a major plan.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Deal with someone directly, and allow this person to really express his or her feelings. Don't be surprised if you sense some anger. Discuss different ways to handle a situation, so that he or she can mellow out a bit. Tonight: Feelings are extreme.

This Week: You will be forced to rethink a project.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

You might be quite content but not realistic. Given some time and a change in tone in a conversation with a loved one, you will become more grounded in your thinking. Detach, and you will see everything work out. Tonight: Sort through invitations.

This Week: You can defer only so much, and then others will rebel. Just watch!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

You might need to slow down; you have been a whirlwind of activity. You will gain a new perspective once you detach from a volatile situation. In fact, you might gain more than one. Don't forget to call an older relative or friend. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

This Week: Many opportunities come your way. Choose with care. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

Honor a change that involves a loved one. Realize that you have no other choice, especially if you want to maintain a good relationship with this person. You might want to rethink your position. Tonight: Act like it is Friday night.

This Week: Someone could give you some flak; let it wash over you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You feel intensely about a partner or loved one. If you should get into a tiff, you could feel as if it is a disaster, which it is not. You might want to take some personal time to rethink your feelings toward this person. Tonight: Favorite place, favorite people.

This Week: Your creativity helps you bypass a problem.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You are likely to give someone a compliment that is so effusive that he or she will question whether you are telling the truth. Hold back some if you want people to take your words seriously. Tonight: Out late.

This Week: Take your stance early on; otherwise, someone could ignore your thoughts.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Be aware of your spending. You can't afford

to keep buying a present here and there for yourself, even if you think you need it. Deal with an authority figure who has been very difficult to work with. Accept that this person will not change. Tonight: Make it your treat.

This Week: Communication is of the utmost importance.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

You beam and others seem to be unusually responsive. A possible trip could be altered by someone in some way. Flex with this person. You might be surprised at how he or she responds to your different, more flexible attitude. Tonight: The world is your oyster.

This Week: Roll with the moment, but do not invest all of your time on any one project.

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TUESDAY, January 7
Ravioli with garlic toast or macaroni & cheese, tossed salad, grape tomatoes, juice
Breakfast- Biscuit & gravy
WEDNESDAY, January 8
Breakfast for lunch or steak fingers, steamed broccoli, potato rounds, Rosie applesauce
Breakfast- Cinnamon tasters
THURSDAY, January 9
Mini twin cheeseburgers or pizza, vegetarian beans, tossed salad, juice
Breakfast- Pancake n' sausage on a stick
FRIDAY, January 10
Bean & cheese burrito or hot dog, french fries, tossed salad, peaches
Breakfast- Cereal, toast

Pampa Meals on Wheels

MONDAY, January 6
Chicken pot pie, pickled beets, salad, pineapple
TUESDAY, January 7
Lasagna, green beans, garlic bread, salad, pears
WEDNESDAY, January 8
Eggs/sausage, hash brown, biscuit, peaches
THURSDAY, January 9
Sloppy joe, tater tot, cole slaw, mixed fruit
FRIDAY, January 10
Salmon patties, macaroni/cheese, pickled beets, apricots

Pampa Senior Citizens Center

MONDAY, January 6
Chicken fried steak or chicken & dumplings, mashed potatoes, green beans, beets, northern beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, Boston cream pie, lemon pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread
TUESDAY, January 7
Meatloaf or turkey & dressing/gravy, scalloped potatoes, fried okra, buttered squash, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, strawberry cake, butterscotch icebox pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread
WEDNESDAY, January 8
Roast beef brisket/brown gravy or cook's choice, mashed potatoes, peas, carrots, butter beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, hurricane oatmeal cake, cherry cobbler, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread
THURSDAY, January 9
Chicken strips or taco salad, tater tots, Mexican corn, spinach, pinto beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, black forest cake, blueberry cream pie, fruit cup, hot roll, cornbread
FRIDAY, January 10
Cod fish filets/hushpuppies or beef stew, potato wedges, California blend, beans, slaw, tossed salad, Jell-O, brownie, apricot pie, fruit cup, garlic breadstick, hot roll, cornbread

2013 ends with 2 old Broadway favorites on top

NEW YORK (AP) — Broadway's highest grossing show in 2013 wasn't a new strutting musical or a bawdy one or even one with a big star. The crown goes to a regal but mature performer — "The Lion King," now in its 16th year. And another veteran turned heads when "Wicked" recorded Broadway's highest single-week gross ever.

The old-timers are going just fine, end-of-year-data from the Broadway League released Monday showed. The 10-year-old "Wicked" earned a staggering \$3.2 million over nine performances for the week ending Sunday, the first time a show has ever crossed the \$3 million mark in a single week.

Another pro, Elton John and Tim Rice's "The Lion King," ruled all other shows during the entire calendar year, ending with nearly \$97 million, despite the fact that there are five bigger theaters on Broadway. For good measure, the show pulled in \$2.8 million over nine performances last week, a theater record.

Several other shows — including current Tony winner "Kinky Boots," the 2011 Tony winner "The Book of Mormon," the new acrobatic revival of "Pippin," the sizzling "Betrayal" and the veteran "Chicago" — all finished 2013 with box office records.

"Kinky Boots," with songs by Cyndi Lauper and a story by Harvey Fierstein, earned a whopping \$2.2 million over its nine-performance week, smashing the Al Hirschfeld Theatre record. The revival of "Pippin" also ended the year with a bang: It earned \$1.2 million for its eight-

show week ending Sunday, a house record for the Music Box Theatre.

"The Book of Mormon," which took in \$90.4 million for the year, set a weekly haul record with \$2.1 million over nine shows at the Eugene O'Neill Theatre ending Sunday, and that old murderously wicked "Chicago" showed lots of life by pulling in \$1 million over eight shows, a record at the Ambassador Theatre for a show in its 18th year.

The revival of Harold Pinter's "Betrayal" starring Daniel Craig, Rachel Weisz and Rafe Spall not only broke its own weekly record by pulling in \$1.4 million over nine shows but producers also crowed that the show had made history as having the best single week for a play ever on Broadway, beating the Tom Hanks-led "Lucky Guy" that earned \$1.4 million this spring.

The numbers overall were boosted by steadily increasing ticket prices, high demand from tourists swelling Times Square, reconfigured seating in some theaters and the use of premium-priced seating, in which some tickets are snapped up for very high amounts.

The win for "The Lion King" is just the latest accolade for the show. This year it became the first Broadway show to earn \$1 billion, and last year it swiped the title of Broadway's all-time highest-grossing show from "The Phantom of the Opera." It is the fourth longest-running Broadway show, behind only "Chicago," "Cats" and "The Phantom of the Opera."

NEW ARRIVALS

Brody Nathaniel Tuggle



Brody Nathaniel Tuggle, born May 5, 2012 in Fort Worth, Texas, was adopted by Scott and Kimberly Tuggle on November 22, 2013 in Fort Worth, Texas. The adoption finalization was witnessed by the Tuggle's 8 month old foster son nicknamed "Peanut," grandparents, Rose (Langford) Tuggle of Pampa, Texas and Elroy and Lois Hallman of Edmond, Oklahoma along with family friends. Present in memory and spirit were Brody's deceased grandfather, Elmer Tuggle and great grandparents W.F. and Gladys Langford. Brody and his family are forever grateful for the ongoing support of Covenant Kids in Arlington, Texas during their foster-to-adopt journey.

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Polish composer Wojciech Kilar dies, aged 81

WARSAW, Poland (AP) — Wojciech Kilar, a Polish pianist and composer of classical music and scores for many films, including Roman Polanski's Oscar-winning "The Pianist" and Francis Ford Coppola's "Bram Stoker's Dracula," died Sunday. He was 81.

The composer died in his hometown of Katowice, southern Poland, following a long illness, according to Jerzy Kornowicz, head of the Association of Polish Composers.

"The power and the message of his music, as well as the noble character of Wojciech Kilar as a person, will stay in my memory forever," said Kornowicz.

Polish film director Ka-

zimirz Kutz said working with the composer "was pure pleasure. He would come, see my movie and a month later he would bring extremely good music that was always beyond my expectations."

Polish conductor Antoni Wit praised Kilar's generosity, saying he "liked to share whatever he had with others."

A modest man who often avoided public attention, Kilar's main love was composing symphonies and concertos, and he always put that above movies, even though he wrote the scores of dozens of films. He drew inspiration from Polish folk music and religious prayers and hymns.

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How to save on prescription drug costs



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Prescription drugs can be quite expensive, and even those who have health insurance often pay more than they need to. According to a 2012 Consumer Reports "Best Drugs" poll on prescription drugs, Americans routinely take an average of four medications per day, spending nearly \$800 on drug costs each year. Those who do not have health insurance may have to pay much more out of pocket.

As expensive as prescription medications can be, there are still ways to save money on prescription drug costs.

- Comparison shop
Believe it or not, drug prices vary depending on the time of the year and even the pharmacy. A person can shop around for the most affordable medication just like they would when buying another product. Prescription drug apps enable you to search for discounts in your neighborhood.
- Read your bill
Medical coding and billing is not always accurate. Employees entering codes may put in the wrong information, inadvertently charging a person for the wrong medication. Treat your medical bills as you would any other bill and verify that the charges are correct. If you have any doubts, check the drug name with your doctor and then consult with the pharmacy to see if an error was made.
- Opt for generic medications
Generic versions of hundreds of brand name prescription drugs are available and typically cost a lot less money. With a generic medicine you are not paying for marketing and advertising costs. These drugs are routinely tested for efficacy and safety. There is really no reason to select a name-brand medi-

cine over the generic alternative, even when it comes to over-the-counter drugs. Ask your doctor on your script to check the box for the generic option.

Use a preferred pharmacy mail-order service
Certain insurance companies have negotiated discounts with mail-order pharmacies and pass on the savings to their members. Medicare and other government-sponsored plans may offer the same type of deal, and consumers can save a substantial amount of money by opting for mail-order service.

- Consider big wholesalers for prescriptions
You may think of Costco or Sam's Club as your go-to place to buy 30-packs of toilet tissue, but these retailers also offer discounts on prescription drugs. Even nonmembers are allowed to use these warehouses for their prescription drug needs. Big wholesalers could give you the best deal on your pills.
- Skip the insurance sometimes
Consumer Reports says hundreds of commonly used generic medications can be purchased for around \$10 for a three-month supply at various major chains. Program details vary, but consumers might be able to save a lot of money by using these programs and leaving their insurance cards in their wallets.
- Opt for OTC
In many cases, an over-the-counter medication may be just as effective as a prescription drug. Talk to your doctor about trying an OTC remedy before a prescription is written. Ibuprofen may relieve arthritis pain, and diphenhydramine could alleviate insomnia, all at a much lower cost than prescription drugs.

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The pros and cons of using the Internet to complete schoolwork



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The classroom atmosphere familiar to today's children is likely very different from the atmosphere their parents were accustomed to when they were students. Many of these changes can be traced to technology, which has gradually had an increasing presence in the classroom over the last several decades.

Technology has not only changed the classroom experience for kids, but thanks in large part to the Internet, technology also has changed the way kids approach their schoolwork at home. Though a potentially valuable learning tool, the Internet also poses some problems for today's students. The following are some of the advantages and disadvantages of relying on the Internet to complete schoolwork.

The pros

The accessibility of the Internet can be a significant benefit to students. Students have a wealth of resources available to them online, and those resources can make it easier for kids to understand key concepts on nearly every subject. Whereas students might once have been forced to trek to the library to research a given subject, now they can do so from the comforts of home. And unlike the library, the Internet never closes, so information is at students' disposal regardless of when they sit down to do their schoolwork.

Another advantage to using the Internet to complete schoolwork is that the Internet can be an extension of the classroom beyond school walls. Educational Web sites abound on the Internet, and many of these sites are written and monitored by professional educators. These sites can be valuable resources for students who may find themselves struggling with certain lessons. Many of their questions or concerns may already be addressed, and certain topics may be more easily explained on a Web site written by a professional educator or scholar in a given field. Rather than waiting to address an issue in class, students can visit such Web sites to answers to their questions immediately.

The Internet also can provide students with a forum to discuss their studies

which does not always exist in the classroom. That forum may engage students and make them better students. A passionate online discussion about a reading assignment may encourage kids to approach such assignments more fervently. Though such discussions may exist in a traditional classroom atmosphere, many students might be hesitant to express themselves in front of their classmates, feeling the anonymity of the Internet is a more inviting and less stressful forum than a classroom of their peers.

The cons
As beneficial as the Internet can be to students, it's not always what it's cracked up to be. Much of the concern about using the Internet to complete schoolwork is the reliability of the information on the Internet. Many sites offer reliable and well-researched information, but many do not. Students, especially younger students, may not be capable of discerning fact from fiction and will simply take the written word on the Internet as truth. That may land students in hot water or make it more difficult for them to understand their subjects.

Another significant disadvantage to using the Internet to complete schoolwork is that students may be tempted to cheat. Because the Internet is so vast, students might be tempted to cut and paste answers to homework problems from the Internet or copy information from Web sites and claim it as their own, feeling as if there is no way their teachers will ever find out. Some students may not even understand that such cutting, pasting or copying is wrong. But in addition to being wrong, such behavior, whether students are caught or not, also makes it harder for students to learn the material, which will make it more difficult for them to grasp key concepts going forward.

The Internet can also be a significant distraction to students. Social networking sites can quickly distract kids from their schoolwork, costing them valuable time they should be devoting to their studies.

For more than a decade, the Internet has proven a valuable resource for students across the globe. But students must recognize there are advantages and disadvantages to relying too heavily on the Internet when pursuing their studies.

The growing problem of peanut allergies

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Parents tend to be quite familiar with food allergies. In an effort to protect youngsters, schools have begun to crack down more regularly on foods that tend to cause allergic reactions, often placing restrictions on what children can bring in for lunches or snacks.

Parents and children who grew up around peanut and tree nut allergies are quite familiar with what triggers allergic reactions associated with such foods, and the potential side effects of consuming these foods. But those who are less experienced with food allergies may not know what to expect.

According to the Mayo Clinic, being allergic to nuts is one of the more common food allergies, especially among children. Many people who are allergic to peanuts are also allergic to other tree nuts, including walnuts, almonds and pecans.

As with any allergen, reactions vary from person to person. Some may experience mild symptoms, such as light rashes or swelling, while others may have severe reactions, including anaphylactic shock, which is characterized by shortness of breath, a severe drop in blood pressure, constriction of airways, and potential heart failure. According to Spire Health Partners, more than 3 million people in the United States have a nut allergy, and one-third of

them will suffer from a severe symptom if they ingest nuts.

A peanut allergy occurs when your body mistakenly identifies peanut proteins as something that can be harmful. Just as your body might fight a cold, it releases chemicals from the immune system to fight off the peanut invader. The number of kids with peanut allergies has been increasing over the last 10-15 years, doubling in the last half-decade alone. It isn't known why some people are prone to nut allergies while others are not. However, Michael C. Young, M.D., Assistant Clinical Professor of Pediatrics at Harvard Medical School and a practicing pediatrician at Children's Hospital, has a few ideas. Nursing mothers and very young children are eating more peanuts, particularly in the form of peanut butter, than ever before, something that Young feels could be causing a higher incidence rate of peanut allergies. Young also theorizes that better hygiene may play a role, suggesting that because children have fewer infections (due to improved hygiene and routine immunizations), their immune systems are more likely to target other things, such as foods and environmental factors, resulting in allergies.

Although peanut allergies are prevalent and can be dangerous, there is no reason to act rashly. Young notes that approximately 20 percent of children will out-

grow their peanut allergies by the age of 6, and he advises that it is worth having a child retested as they get older to gauge if there have been any changes in the status of the peanut allergy.

When dealing with peanut allergies, it is important to separate myths from facts.

- Direct contact is the most common cause of a reaction. This results from eating peanuts or foods that contain peanuts. Cross-contamination, which occurs when peanuts unintentionally come into contact with other foods, is another common cause.

- Some people can have a reaction by touching peanuts with their skin. A rash may occur, but a very dangerous reaction will not result unless the peanuts enter the mouth or come into contact with the nose or eyes.

- An allergic reaction can occur from inhalation of peanut dust, such as peanut flour or ground shells during processing. Aerosol cooking sprays that contain peanut oil also can produce a reaction. It is important to note that the smell of peanuts will not induce an allergic reaction.

- Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York found that peanut proteins can be detected in some people's saliva after eating peanuts. A kiss could transfer some of the peanut allergens to another person.

- Sometimes an allergy is not really an allergy, but rather an intolerance to a certain food. A food intolerance does not involve the immune system. A person with a food intolerance can eat small amounts of the food with only mild symptoms, such as indigestion, rather than a severe reaction with a true allergy.

While being diligent in reading food labels and asking what ingredients are in prepared foods at restaurants is key for people with peanut allergies, so is avoiding potential skin contact. This means thoroughly washing areas where peanuts or peanut butter may have been and ensuring other children wash up after lunch.

Peanut allergies are foremost on the minds of parents and educators. Understanding what is involved in a peanut allergy can help everyone make informed decisions about protecting youngsters.



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The number of children with peanut allergies has grown considerably in the last 10-15 years.

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From the Press Box

What to expect from wild card weekend.

The NFL wild card weekend kicks off this Saturday as the Kansas City Chiefs take travel to Indianapolis to take on the Colts. This will be Andrew Luck's second go-round in the postseason after a loss to the eventual Super Bowl champions, the Baltimore Ravens. So what can we expect from this upcoming week-

end? Here is a breakdown of each match-up.
• Kansas City Chiefs at Indianapolis Colts — This will be the first time the Kansas City Chiefs are in the playoffs since 2009. This Chiefs team is very talented and can do a lot offensively. Both teams are at the bottom of the league in rushing. However, Indianapolis is 13th in the NFL in passing yards allowed. I expect both teams to try to run the ball, but eventually Andrew Luck will start spreading the ball around. Last time the teams met, the Colts won 23-7, just

two weeks ago. Neither team was overly impressive in the meet. Luck went 26/37 for 241 and a touchdown. I think Colts will win, Indianapolis 28, Kansas City 13.
• New Orleans Saints at Philadelphia Eagles — One of the surprises of the season was Eagles' second-year quarterback Nick Foles taking the reigns in the Chip Kelly offense and carving defenses up like Jack o' Lanterns. The Saints have been the type of team that has fans and experts confused. They dominate any team that comes into

the Superdome, but then put a stinker up in New York against the Jets. The Saints have the second-best passing defense in the NFL, whereas Philadelphia has the worst. Philadelphia has a potent offense, but I think it will be slowed by the Saints' defense. Drew Brees will spread the ball around and put up points as usual. New Orleans 35, Philadelphia 24.
• San Diego Chargers at Cincinnati Bengals — San Diego is riding a winning streak four games deep. But something concerning about them is they nearly lost to the Chiefs while the Chiefs had back-ups in the game. Cincinnati has the third-best defense in the

NFL and when third-year quarterback Andy Dalton plays well, that offense is among the best in the NFL. The Chargers are the type of team that will play very well and surprise you, but then barely win a game that should be ripe for the picking. This could be really big for San Diego and they win or lose a close game, or get shut down by that Bengals defense. I am choosing the latter, Cincinnati 21, Chargers 13.
• San Francisco 49ers at Green Bay Packers — The 49ers have had the Packers number lately. It seems like every time these two NFC powerhouses face, the Packers get run over by the 49ers' run game. This time won't

be any different, but I think the Packers finally defeat their historic rival. The forecast calls for very cold weather, with a temperature of 0 degrees, sub-zero wind chills. Aaron Rodgers, who I still think is perhaps the best quarterback in the NFL, doesn't seem to have a drop in stats for cold weather. Not to mention, suddenly, the Packers can run the ball. I think Packers will win in a close one, 35-28.
 Who do you think wins and why? Next week I will break down the divisional playoffs. Until then, Happy Playoffs.

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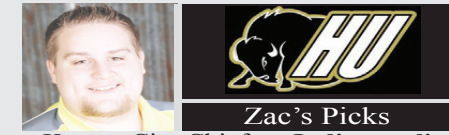
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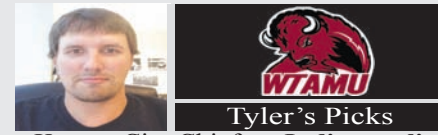
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Harvesters thump Groom in a district tune-up game

■ Sophomore Kambrin Scott sinks 27 in 70-30 victory.

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In their first home game since November, after going 1-3 in Lubbock during the Caprock Tournament and district play looming in eight days, the Harvesters looked very impressive against the Groom Tigers Thursday night, defeating the 1A foes 70-30. The Harvesters are now 7-9 in the season with two games to go before they start district play.

“One of the reasons we scheduled Groom is we kind of wanted to see what their big kid did like a kid Borger has,” head coach Matt Embry said.

“But they kind of play different styles, so we didn’t get the look we thought we would get. To come in and get a big win at home in front of the crowd. It got us back on the right side of

things.”

The Harvesters immediately started with fast-paced play to set the tone of the game. Senior Gabe Garcia immediately provided a presence inside the paint with his size. But sophomore Kambrin Scott commanded the floor in the first quarter, scoring 12 points, two via 3-pointers, in the first quarter alone. With his points combined with seniors Cory Ponce and Brandon Stokes, they equaled the 22-8 lead.

The Harvesters cooled the jets some in the second quarter, but Stokes hit another 3-pointer, to extend the Harvesters’ lead. The Tigers only scored 11 points in the second half, seven of them off of free throws. Junior Jonathan Stevens scored his first points of the game in the quarter, off a 2-pointer and a free throw. As much the Harvesters

cooled their jets in the second, they turned them back on in the third, to the tune of Scott and Ponce. Their physical presence on the floor was unmatched. Scott hit two 3-pointers to add to the two he already had. Ponce had two 2-pointers and two free throws, which put him at perfect in free throws for the day at five-for-five.

There were a couple of exciting moments during the third quarter. On a takeaway, Stevens took the ball from the Tiger offense and started charging downcourt. After receiving the order “dunk it” from Embry, Stevens nailed a two-handed dunk. Moments later, after a takeaway, Scott would not be up-staged by Stevens, hitting a one-handed, yet powerful, dunk.

“Those guys have always been able to do it (dunk the basketball). They just

haven’t had the opportunity to do it in games,” Embry said. “I thought Jonathan’s was real impressive because he did it with two hands, I didn’t think he’d be able to do it with two hands.

“Kambrin’s was pretty powerful too, but I was more impressed with Kambrin’s shooting in the game today.”

The Harvesters’ bench put 16 points as they played the entire fourth quarter, with the Harvesters already leading 55-25.

Scott continued to play, getting seven more points, with a 3-pointer, a 2-pointer and two free throws. Senior cross-country star Alex Marrufo hit two 2-pointers in the quarter, also seniors Trey Miller and Ryan Powell each hit a 2-pointer.

“Depth is always a real important part of this game. When you can roll 10-12 guys out with faith and confidence they will do what they need to do, that’s al-



Photo by John Lee

Harvesters prepare to defend the net against Groom.

ways exciting,” Embry said. “To do that with (Cade) Engle sitting, I thought Brandon Sieck did a good job filling in the point guard position for us.”

The Harvesters return to action Saturday in Sham-

rock. “They’re (Shamrock) a more physical team, so we are going to have to work on our defensive blast, really work on pushing the ball a little more. I think we can out-run them,” Embry said.

Oklahoma beats Alabama 45-31 in Sugar Bowl

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — In the final year of the BCS, Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops won the one major bowl that had eluded him, and proved a point about parity in the process.

After taking the past month to cultivate a young quarterback who was still coming into his own, Stoops brought a confident and motivated Sooners squad to the Sugar Bowl, where they stunned 16-point favorite Alabama 45-31 on Thursday night.

Freshman Trevor Knight completed a Sugar Bowl-record 32 passes for 348 yards and four touchdowns for 11th-ranked Oklahoma, outshining Heisman Trophy runner-up AJ McCarron, who saw his otherwise charmed college career come to a sour end with No. 3 Alabama.

The convincing victory also gave Stoops an I-told-you-so moment, backing up his comment last offseason that the gap between the Southeastern Conference and other top leagues like the Big 12 is not as great as some “propaganda” makes it out to be.

“I have the utmost respect for Alabama, and I think this shows that obviously we can play with anybody,” Stoops said. “So, enough of that. And I just watched them go through their entire conference and play pretty well. I’m not pointing any fingers. But I think sometimes the comparisons aren’t necessarily very true.”

Stoops became the first coach to win all four BCS bowl games, having already won the Orange, Rose and Fiesta bowls.

Before the game Stoops had provided an element of mystery by declining to say whether he would start Knight or junior Blake Bell, or how much he’d play either one.

Alabama led 7-0 — having scored on the opening drive — before Stoops made his decision know by sending Knight out with the offense for Oklahoma’s first series. Knight had played behind Bell much of the season. His completion percentage entering the game was 52.2. He had completed 47 passes all season — before a breakout performance in which two of his TDs went for more

than 40 yards.

“It’s huge for our program, to get a win like this after no one gave us a chance all year,” Knight said. “We’ve got to ride this into next year. We can’t settle with this. We want the big one.”

Oklahoma (11-2) needed him to play that well in the 80th Sugar Bowl, the first in which quarterbacks for both teams threw for more than 300 yards.

His Big 12 team vanquished an Alabama (11-2) squad that had been ranked No. 1 much of the past three seasons, winning the previous two national titles before its shot at a third straight was derailed by Auburn on the last play of the Iron Bowl in late November.

Coach Nick Saban didn’t find his team, favored by 16 points, was too deflated from its loss to Auburn to play up to its standard.

“I actually thought that the players responded in practice pretty well for this game,” Saban said. “We put over 500 yards of offense up. Somebody had to do something right. I don’t think that we played as well on defense as we’re capable of or should have.”

McCarron passed for 387 yards and two TDs, but his two interceptions set up Oklahoma TDs. He was also sacked seven times, fumbling on the last one, and Geno Grissom returned his second recovery of the game 8 yards for a score, sealing Alabama’s first two-game skid since its Sugar Bowl loss to Utah in January 2009.



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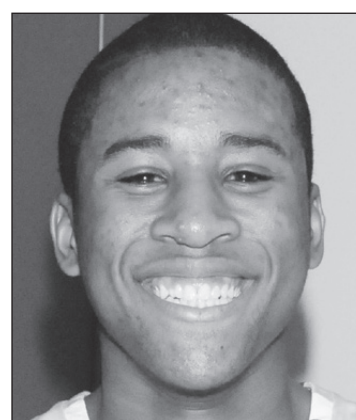
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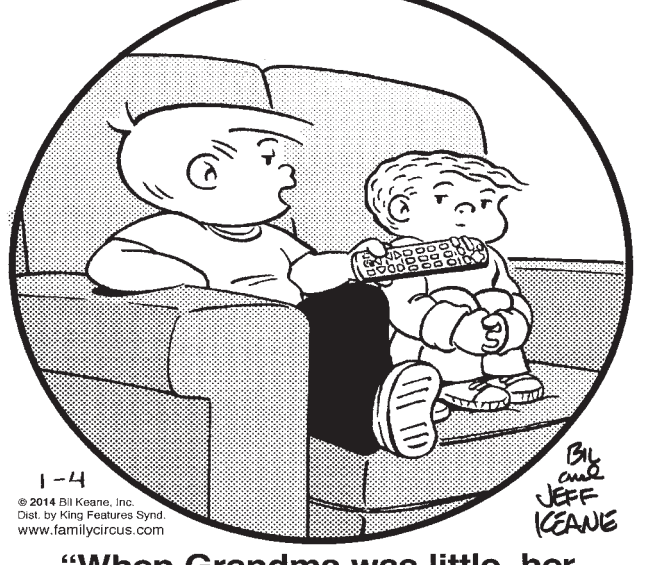
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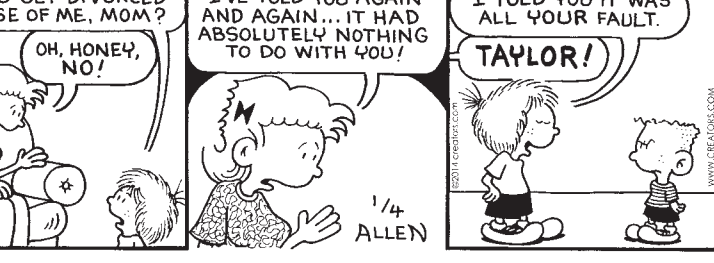
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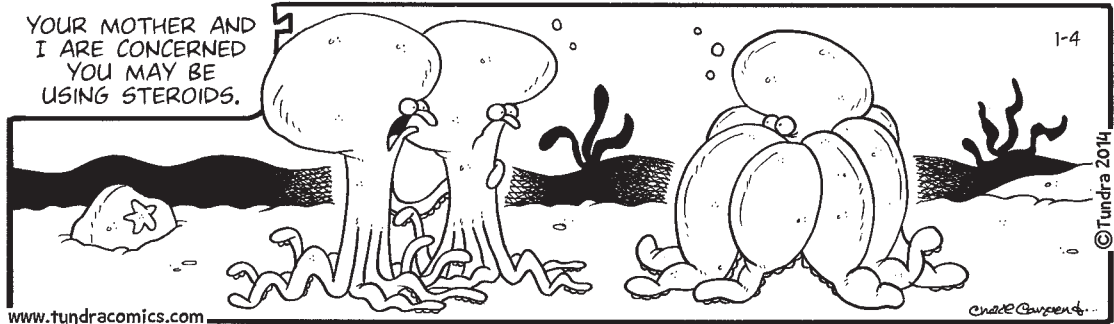
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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ You might have a firmer grasp on what is happening than the person who informs you of what is going on. This person likes to feel important. Say little. Play it low-key, and you will gather more information. Tonight: Only what you want.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Zero in on what you want during the morning. Don't hesitate. You might need to consider how you'd like to proceed with a different matter in the afternoon. Consider your options carefully and discuss them with someone you often brainstorm with. Tonight: Not to be found.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Your directness is more desirable than you think. Stay in touch with your goals as discussions ensue. You can identify with others. As a result, you could lose your ability to stay centered. Do not allow this to happen. Tonight: In the middle of the action.
CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You might want to hear the other side of an argument. Though you still might not agree with what is being said, you could see a way of incorporating two ideas that seem in opposition but actually have the same basis. Tonight: Till the wee hours.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ A close associate might have a lot to share. Encourage this person to express his or her intuitive sense more often. You will be able to understand an issue in a new way because of what is shared with you. Proceed accordingly. Tonight: Make

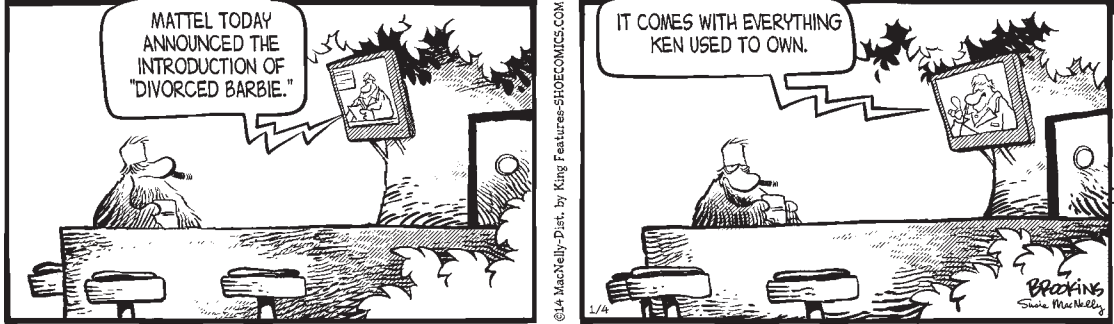
plans for the near future.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Rethink a personal decision, especially if someone close to you offers a new insight. Do nothing to damage the situation, and if possible, give yourself some breathing room. Put this decision on hold for now. Tonight: Have an important discussion first.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Understand what you are doing and why. Your need to handle a matter regarding real estate or your personal life is legitimate. Once you clear up this issue, you will find the right direction for you to head in. Tonight: The only answer is "yes."
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Your creativity seems to be focused on a key issue. By the afternoon, your imaginative streak could fall flat or not be as helpful. Your initial idea will prove to be the right one to pursue. Others will be more enthusiastic than you had expected. Tonight: Remain playful.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Touch base with a family member who has a very different perspective from you about a domestic matter. Recognize what is happening with a loved one, as he or she might want you to be more involved with an important project. Tonight: Forget tomorrow. Enjoy today!
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You will admire what a close friend thinks about a controversial issue. This person's neutrality touches you deeply. You might wonder what is needed to make a certain situation easier to handle. Discuss the situation with this person. Tonight: A must appearance.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You could see a situation in a much more relatable and viable way than you had in the past. Recognize the change in your perspective, and explain it in a conversation with one of the parties involved. This will help ease communication between you. Tonight: Hang out.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ When handling your finances, it would be wise to make a decision regarding your limits. What is important to you? The holidays could have wreaked havoc on your budget. Take this opportunity to recalibrate your spending. Tonight: Make a favorite meal.

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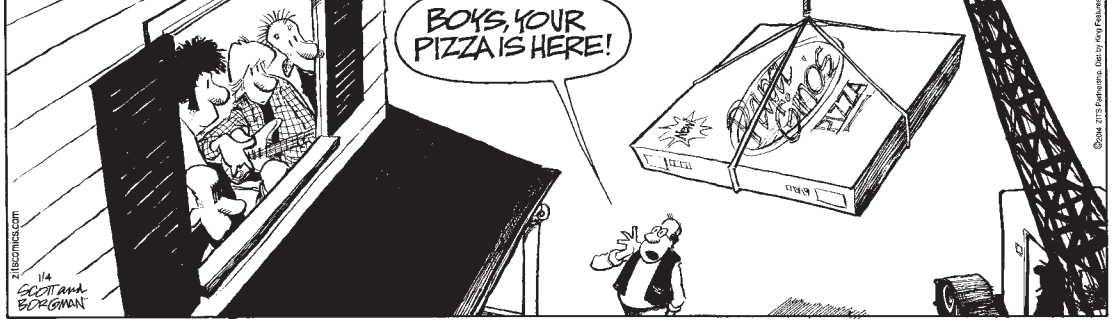
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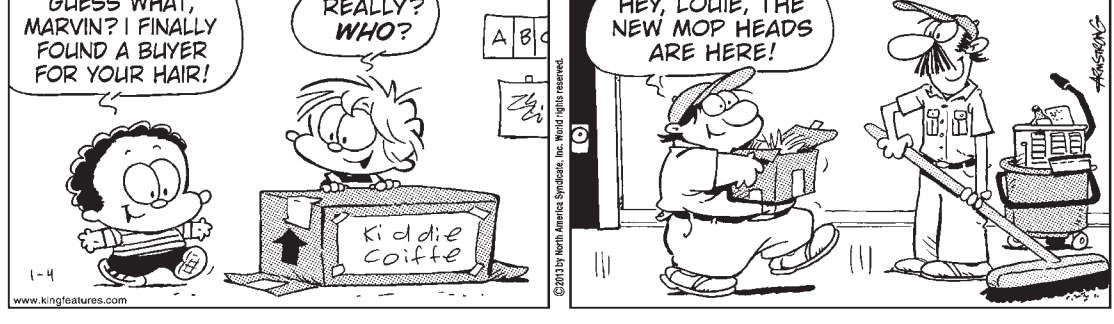
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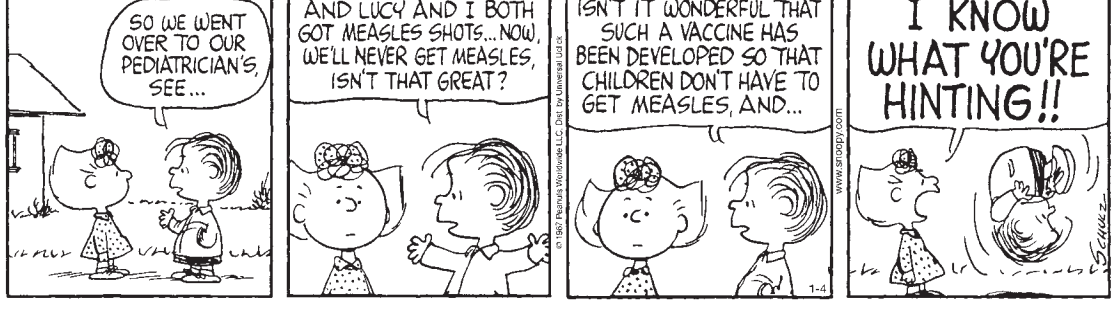
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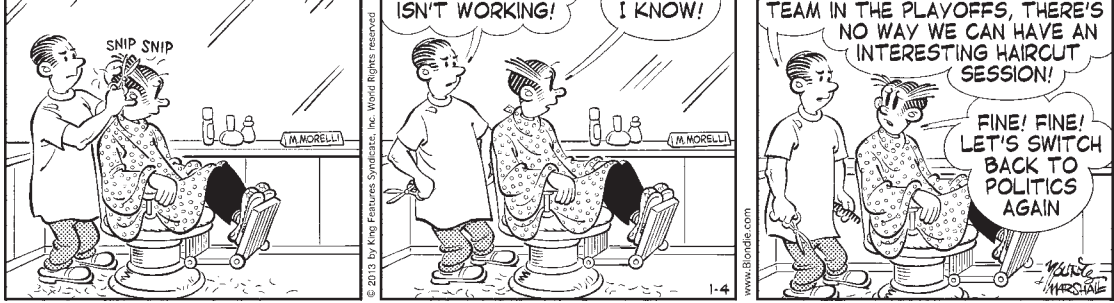
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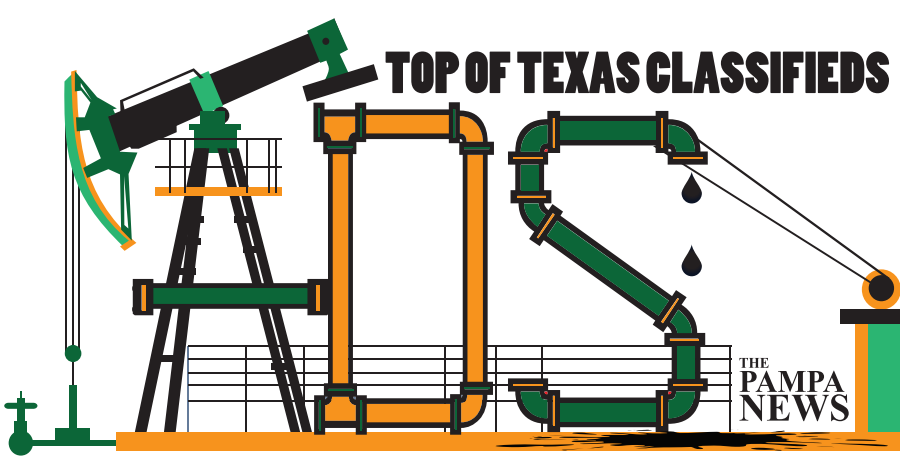


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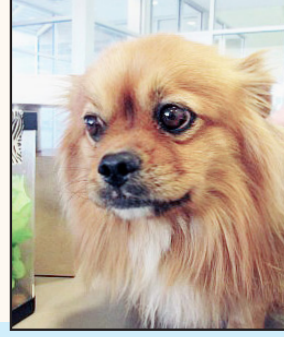



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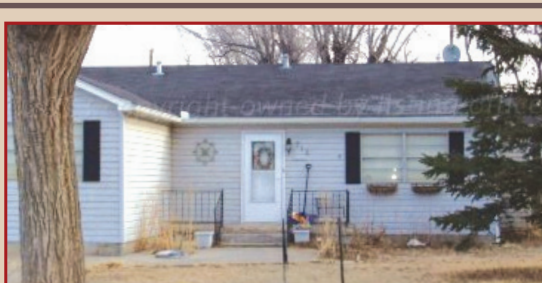
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1. Whether or not to create one or more County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone (CETRZ), as authorized by law, to promote one or more infrastructure projects to be located within the County to be funded by the CERTZ. Additional information on this topic may be found on the Texas Department of Transportation website: <http://www.roadstexasenergy.com> under the "Legislation" tab.

2. The potential boundaries and requirements of a County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone (CETRZ), as authorized §222.1071 of the Texas Transportation Code.

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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I met a guy I think is perfect for me on a dating website. We have gone on several dates and they have been great. He respects my morals and even has some of his own, which isn't easy to find.

The problem: He says I am exactly what he has been looking for except for one thing. I look like his mother. He says he really likes me and would like to keep dating to see if he can get past this issue. I like him very much. Is there something I can do, short of plastic surgery? — **DEAD RINGER IN ARIZONA**

DEAR DEAD RINGER: Before changing anything, you need to explore more closely what he's saying. Ask to meet his mother, then judge for yourself how strong the resemblance is. It's possible the similarity is less physical and more about your personality or mannerisms.

You should not alter your image to please anyone but yourself. Keep in mind that many men DO marry women who resemble their mothers in some way — whether it's conscious or not — and the marriages are often successful.

DEAR ABBY: My parents divorced many years ago, and ever since, I have lived with my mother and visit Dad on his days off from work. Mom cheated on Dad, and the man she cheated with lives with us.

I don't have a good relationship with her boyfriend. We don't have much in common, and when he drinks, he gets angry for no reason and takes it out on me or Mom, and it puts the whole household in an awkward position, sometimes lasting for days. When he's sober, he can be fun to be around.

I have talked with my mom about this. She promises she'll talk to him and things are going to change, but they never do. She doesn't want to break up with him because she can't afford to pay the mortgage on her own. I have thought about moving in with my dad, but I don't want to upset her. What do I do? — **WANTS TO MOVE IN WITH DAD**

DEAR WANTS: Your mother hasn't asserted herself with her boyfriend because she's financially dependent on him. She's afraid if she insists he do something about his drinking, he will leave her.

The affair and the boyfriend were her choice, not yours. If you want to move in with your father verbally abusive drunk — and your father is willing — that's what you should do. You should not have to tolerate abuse in order not to "upset" your mother. It's OK to take care of yourself.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 32-year-old woman. My boyfriend of 11 years passed away almost three years ago. I loved him very much and miss him every day. Some well-meaning friends and family members have suggested a dating site.

Abby, when does someone know if it's time to move on? I haven't been on a date in 13 years. I'm scared of putting myself out there again and getting hurt. Any advice would be great. — **SCARED IN ORGON**

DEAR SCARED: If the only reason you haven't reached out before is fear of rejection, then it's time to move on. Ask your friends and family to help you write a profile, and then consider what happens next as an "adventure." While there are no guarantees you'll immediately find a relationship like the one you had, you might find someone who is compatible. And if you don't, you could still make some friends. Nothing ventured, nothing gained.

BANANAGRAMS!

Use the 15 tiles in this bunch to create words that fit into the grids below. To get you started, a few tiles from the bunch have been placed. Reuse the tiles for each grid.

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Yesterday's Answer: INCREASE, UNDERATE, MEANTIME

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

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West Texas sculpture to promote border peace

EL PASO (AP) — A 20-foot metal sculpture about to go up on a city roundabout was designed in part by Mexican children who have survived the violence in Juárez.

And the sculpture will use recycled metal that came from parts of confiscated guns that were melted.

The \$70,000 project, called "Uplift," is a representation of a flock of 600 birds taking flight.

The piece of art aims to promote unity and peace on both sides of the border.

Artist Margarita Cabrera, who was commissioned last year by the city of El Paso to create the public sculpture for the roundabout, said she wanted to capture the violent, changing realities existing along the U.S.-Mexico border.

"Right now the border is less violent and has less killings than before. I wanted to make a piece to celebrate that transformation," she told the El Paso Times.

The 40-year-old native of Monterrey, Mexico, who moved with her family to El Paso when she was 10, added that the sculpture is also a metaphor that symbolizes a unified border community.

Since last fall, Cabrera began organizing workshops in El Paso and Juárez so that residents from both cities could be involved in the project.

In mid-December, 38 fourth- to sixth-graders from the Juan José Martínez "El Pipila" elementary school in southwest Juárez joined in making the sculpture.

With Cabrera's direc-

tion, they created the art for the wings of the birds.

The students, who are part of the FEMAP Foundation's after-school program, have lived amid the violence in Juárez, said Brenda Rodriguez, spokeswoman for the foundation.

"They decided what to draw, what violence meant to them or what they wanted for Juárez to make it better," she said.

The students used papel picado, or perforated paper, a Mexican decorative craft made out of paper cut into elaborate designs.

Cabrera said she wanted to use the traditional technique as a way for the students to learn a Mexican crafting tradition.

Each drawing on the papel picado will be scanned in a computer. The saved images will be programmed into a machine that will cut the design into the metal.

Cabrera said the sculpture will be made of fragments of confiscated guns donated by the El Paso County Sheriff's Office.

The purpose of using recycled guns is to give the message of transforming an object that symbolizes death and violence into one of peace and hope, she said.

The sculpture is expected to be finished and installed in the roundabout this summer, she added.

Cabrera said that other members of the El Paso-Juárez community also have collaborated on the design of the birds' wings through the papel picado technique in workshops at the Mexican Consulate in El Paso, the University of Texas at El Paso and the Museo de Arte in Juárez.

Perry gives ex-secretary of state Steen new role

AUSTIN (AP) — Outgoing Texas Secretary of State John Steen has been given a five-year term on the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

Gov. Rick Perry announced the appointment Friday. Steen served as the state's chief elections officer for one year before announcing last month that he would step down.

Higher education issues are familiar to Steen. He

holds a committee position within the University of Texas System and is a former trustee of San Antonio-area community colleges.

Replacing Steen as secretary of state is Houston attorney Nandita Berry, who will become the first Indian-American to hold the position. She is the wife of conservative Houston radio talk-show host Michael Berry.

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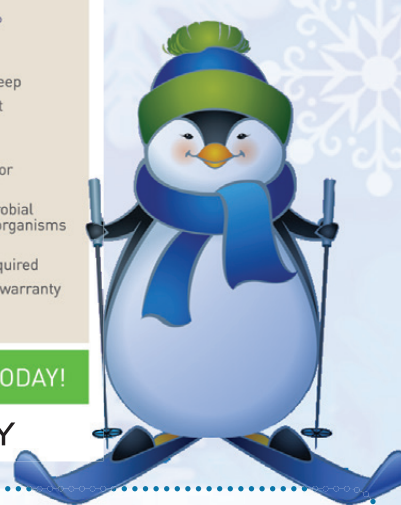
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