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Grand Jury indictments Jan. 16

STAFF REPORT

The Gray County grand Jury met Jan. 16 and handed down the following indictments:

- Gregory Leon Darby, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon (firearm).
- Stephen L. Spencer, manufacturing or delivering a controlled substance, namely methamphetamine, between four and 200 grams.
- Octavio Ruiz, third or more driving while intoxicated offense.
- Joshua Martin Rodriguez, tampering with physical evidence.
- Chad Richards, possession of a controlled substance, namely methamphetamine, less than one gram.
- Morris Lynn Powell, third or more driving while intoxicated offense, possession of a controlled substance, namely methamphetamine, less than one gram.
- Dee Anna Louise Music, possession of a controlled substance, namely methamphetamine, less than one gram.

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Men in business: Bill Hite



Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik

Bill Hite has been serving the people of Pampa for 46 years as the owner of Heard-Jones HealthMart.

BY LINDSEY TOMASCHIK
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Bill Hite has been owner and operator of Heard-Jones HealthMart for as long as the store has been open in Pampa, which is 46 years.

Hite began working at the store two years after finishing his pharmacy education.

Heard-Jones has been around since 1927, and the first store was located in Tulia. His partner's father was the original Jones who opened the store, and he was the last namesake to have a part in the business.

Through owning the HealthMart, Hite said he has learned that excellent customer service goes a long way.

"People buy from other people, and if you don't approach them the right way, you won't

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United Way hits campaign goal



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Pampa United Way president of the board Lloyd Waters, left, executive administrator Jana Gregory and 2013 campaign manager Brad Morse.

BY JOHN LEE
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The Pampa United Way reached its 2013 goal of \$337,000 on Jan. 17.

Executive administrator Jana Gregory said this is good news for the United Way's 17 partner agencies. "We are at 100.4 percent of our goal, which means that the first allocation that went out to the agencies went out at 100 percent, which is good for them because then they know they are going to get that allocation for the rest of the quarter," Gregory said. "It'll help them do what they need to do for the rest of the year."

Campaign chair Brad Morse said that it shows what kind of staff they have on board at United Way. Morse said he is proud of the fact that 100 percent of the money from United Way Pampa stays in Pampa.

"I believe in taking care of your community and taking care of your neighbor," Morse said.

Lloyd Waters, president of the board of directors, said that the United Way Pampa started out with new ideas and wanted to bring awareness of United Way to the community.

"We feel like those things (awareness and activities) were very important," Waters said. "When we kicked off our campaign officially, those were very instru-

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Gray County Livestock Show and Auction results



Photo by John Lee

Pampa High School students show off their steers to the judges.

STAFF REPORT

Gray County Livestock Show and Auction was held Friday and Saturday, Jan. 17-18. Here are the results:

Steers

- **Angus** — The Champion was Kyler Payne of the Pampa FFA, with the reserve being Blayne Troxell, also Pampa FFA.
- **Hereford** — The Champion was Paden Watson of the Gray County 4-H, with the reserve being Blayne Troxell, of

the Pampa FFA.

- **Shorthorn** — The Champion was Emily Terry of the Pampa FFA.

- **Chianina** — The Champion was Korbin Payne of the Gray County 4-H, with the reserve being Emily Terry, of the Pampa FFA.

- **Limi** — The Champion was Kyler Payne of the Pampa FFA, who was also the breed champ and the overall Grand Champion. The limi reserve was Cason Troxell of the Pampa FFA.

- **Simmental** — The Champion was Macy Cochran of the Gray County 4-H. Reserve was Emily Terry of the Pampa FFA.

Sheep

- **Fine Wool Cross** — The Champion was Callen Wyant of Gray County 4-H.

- **Medium Wool** — For Class 8, Morgan Reynolds of McLean FFA took first with Callen Wyant of Gray County 4-H taking second and third. For Class 9, Reynolds took first, Marlee Youree of the Gray County 4-H took second, and Wyant took third.

Goats

- **Classes 10 and 11** — Nikalyn McGinty of Gray County 4-H took first and

Grand Champion with reserve going to Shiner Webb of McLean FFA.

Pigs

- **Berkshire** — The Breed Champion was Cash Manhart of the Pampa FFA. Reserve was Daniel Winton of the Pampa FFA. For class 12, Winton took first, Cheyenne Winkler of the Gray County 4-H took second with Jett Schumaker of the Gray County 4-H took third. For class 13, Manhart took first, Christopher Broadstreet of the Gray County 4-H took second and Delaney Tucker of the Gray County 4-H took third.

- **Chester** — Chris Cryer is the Champion with his reserve being Kaylee Arzen, both of Pampa FFA.

- **Duroc** — The Class 15 winner and Champion is Braydon Oxley of Gray County 4-H with Emily Licklider, Class 16 winner, of Pampa FFA being the reserve. For class 15, Caitlynn Budd of Pampa FFA took second and Elizabeth Devoll of Pampa FFA took third. Reece Parker of Pampa FFA took second for Class 16, with Drew Davis taking third.

- **Hampshire** — Emily Terry of Pampa FFA was the winner of Class 17 and the

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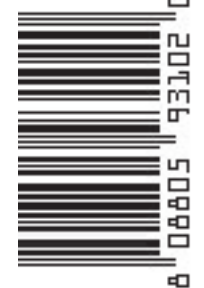
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Treasure Hunt Begins Today!

Treasure Hunt Rules

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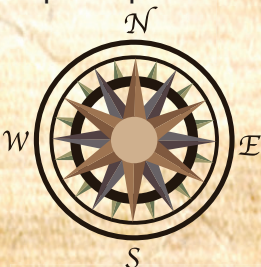
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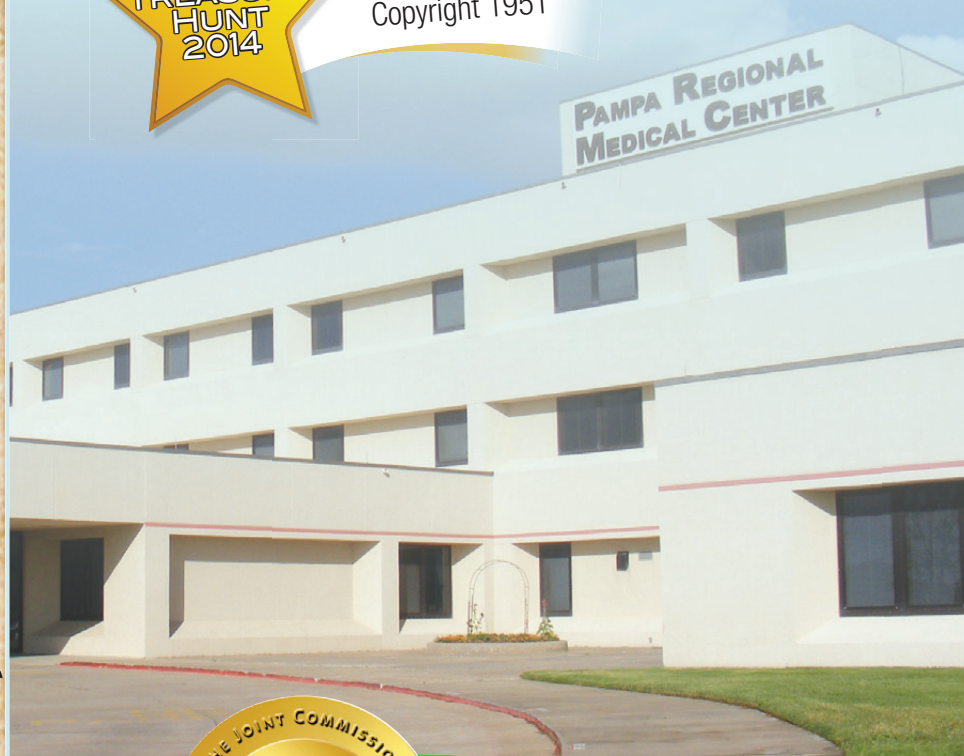
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Today: Partly cloudy with a high of 56. Winds east-northeast at 10 mph. Sunrise at 7:50 a.m.

Tonight: Snow showers late with a low of 17. Chance of snow: 30 percent. Winds east at 22 mph. Sunset at 6:01 p.m.

Thursday: Few snow showers with wind and a high of 22. Chance of snow: 30 percent. Winds northeast at 22 mph. Sunrise at 7:50 a.m.

Thursday night: Clouds early clearing late with a low of 14. Winds southwest at 8 mph. Sunset at 6:02 p.m.

Friday: Mostly sunny and windy with a high of 50. Winds west-southwest at 23 mph. Sunrise at 7:49 a.m.

Friday night: Mostly clear with a low of 30. Winds west at 10 mph. Sunset at 6:03 p.m.

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Bob Muns

Bob Muns, 74, died Sunday, Jan. 19, 2014 in Pampa. Services will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, 2014, at First Baptist Church, with Rev. Barry Owens, associate pastor, and Pastor Paul Nachtigall, chaplain of Interim Hospice, officiating. Burial will follow in Memory Gardens Cemetery with Rev. Byron Williamson, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.



Bob Muns

Mr. Muns was born March 7, 1939 in Carter Nine, Okla. He graduated from Turon High School in Turon, Kan. in 1957. Following his graduation, he went to work for the FBI in Washington, D.C. where he met his wife, Niela Jean Ellison. They were married Oct. 8, 1958 in Washington, D.C. Bob then went to work for the United States Park Police in Washington where he served for ten years. He had been a resident of Pampa since 1971. Bob held various sales jobs in Pampa before being elected Precinct 1 Justice of the Peace on Jan. 1, 1987. He retired in 2001 after 14 years of service. Bob was a member of First Baptist Church where he taught a men's Sunday school class, sang in the choir and was active in the bus and prison ministries. He was a former member of the Kiwanis Club and was a member of the Retired U.S. Park Police Association. Bob was preceded in death by a son, Kevin Muns in 1987; his parents, Buck and Jessie Muns in 1997; and two sisters, Carol Nichols and Linda Maynard.

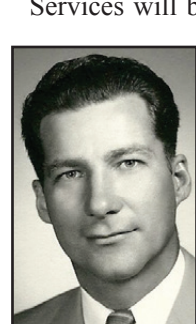
Survivors include his wife, Jean Muns of the home; two daughters, Cindy Wolken and husband David of Amarillo, and Michele Dyson and husband Kent of Pampa; a son, Greg Muns and wife Essie of Longmont, Colo.; a sister, Karen Goodwin of Maryland; 11 grandchildren, Jennifer Steen and husband Josh, Charlea Martinez and husband Tyson, Mitch Kelley, Shelby Wolken, Matt Kelley, Bailey Muns, Kolton Dyson, Cooper Wolken, Kurt Wolken and wife Krysta, Jason Velasquez and wife Charlene, and Leanne Hall; eight great-grandchildren; in-laws, Wayne and Betty Ellison of Alpharetta, Ga., Betty Sheets of Beckley, W.V., and Shirley Shepard of Rochester, Mich.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church Missions, P.O. Box 621, Pampa, Texas 79066, Wounded Warrior Project, 2200 Space Park Drive, Suite 100, Houston, Texas, 77058, or a favorite charity.

The family will receive friends at 1623 N. Sumner in Pampa. Sign the online guest register at www.carmichael-whatley.com.

James Wyatt Lemons

James Wyatt Lemons, 97, departed this life peacefully on Jan. 20, 2014, surrounded by loving family members. Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, 2014, at First United Methodist Church in Pampa, with John Curry officiating. Burial will follow in Fairview Cemetery in Pampa, under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors of Pampa.



James Wyatt Lemons

Mr. Lemons was born Oct. 7, 1916 in Henderson to John Thomas and Henrietta King Lemons. He grew up during the depression, starting to work when he was 11 at the basket factory in Jacksonville. He also worked packing tomatoes for shipment and as a surveyor apprentice on a road crew during his teen years. After graduating from high school, Wyatt moved to Dallas and enrolled in an accounting course at Draughon's Business College where he met Velma Parker, his bride to be. They were married on June 14, 1940 in Dallas. She preceded him in death on April 30, 2012 after 72 years of marriage. While preparing to sit for his CPA exam, he went to work for Drilling & Exploration Company in Dallas.

When World War II started with the bombing of Pearl Harbor, Wyatt enlisted in the U.S. Army and enrolled in Officer's Candidate school, graduating as a Second Lieutenant. After completing flight school, he was assigned to the Pacific Theatre, ending up in the Philippine islands for the remainder of the war.

After the war, Wyatt went back to work for D&E in 1946 and was transferred to Pampa as a regional production superintendent. The company sold out in 1964, helping him to decide to become self-employed in the oil and gas business. In 1976, the oil and gas production he had accumulated was incorporated as Wy-Vel Corporation, the company name chosen by Velma. Wy-Vel Corporation has grown throughout the years to include production and royalties in Oklahoma and Texas. Wyatt was faithfully working daily at the Lakeway office until September of 2013 when his health began to fail. He was also preceded in death by his son Wayne Lemons in 1982, two sisters and his parents.

Survivors include his son, Kenneth Lemons and wife Christine of Lakeway; three grandchildren, Jason Lemons and wife Laura of Richardson, Jessica Reynolds and husband Kevin of Lakeway, and Jeffrey Lemons and wife Jennifer of Austin; two great-granddaughters, Julianne and Gianna; and two great-grandsons, Hunter and James.

The family will receive friends from 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22, 2014, at Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Home in Pampa.

Memorials may be made to First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1981, Pampa, Texas 79066-1981.

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

Bobby Eugene Holt

Bobby Eugene Holt, 65, passed away Saturday, Jan. 18, 2014 in Pampa.

Services are pending with Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.



Bobby Holt

Mr. Holt was born Aug. 6, 1948 in Pampa to Alex and Lillie B. Holt. He graduated from Pampa High School in 1967. He was employed by Panhandle Machine Shop and the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Bobby was preceded in death by his parents.

Survivors include two brothers, Terry Holt and wife Denice and Edward Holt, all of Pampa; two stepsons, Greg Lewis and Donovan Lewis, both of Amarillo; a beloved aunt, Nannie B. Hickey of Dallas; his special cousins, Willie Hickey and wife Debra, Arron Hickey, Darlene Hickey McDuff and husband Roosevelt, Veleria Hickey, Kathy Hickey Lackett and husband Leonard, and Francetta Hickey Croomes and husband Cecil, all of Dallas; and a host of friends, family and loved ones.

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Museum Musings

How the land was sold

T.D. Hobart inaugurated a plan of selling the White Deer Lands in small tracts, ranging in size from



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160 to 640 acres, offered to settlers only. The terms of the sales were usually one-fifth cash and the balance in two, three, four, five, six, seven and eight years respectively from date of purchase with interest at the rate of six percent per an-

num. No payment was required for the first year after sales were made so that purchasers could make improvements on the land, such as building substantial residences, fencing, providing water and other necessary improvements.

Settlers were required to set aside 30 feet along the borders of the land for roads, and no stock were to be turned loose until the land was fenced with three strands of wire. Every possible inducement was given to the purchasers to improve the property and to build permanent homes. Hundreds of stock farmers, with little or no money, began the task of building a civilization on the rolling prairies of the White Deer Lands. Without the credit features in the sale of the

lands instituted by Hobart, many of these early stock farmers could not have remained.

Suits were never brought against failure to make annual payments. If lands were relinquished by the purchasers, every effort was made to find a new purchaser to reimburse the original settler for whatever improvements he had made. Hobart's plan in the disposition of these lands was unique in that he sold lands directly to settlers only and without the aid of any outside agencies.

In 1905 Hobart had several thousand booklets printed for distribution to prospective purchasers. When trains stopped at Pampa for water, these booklets were given to interested people. Since outside agents were claiming that it was not possible to obtain clear titles to White Deer lands, Hobart included letters from attorneys stating that clear titles were obtainable.

Several maps showed the location of the lands. A section on topography included an early explorer's description of the climate: "Perhaps no part of the habitable globe is more favorable to human existence, as far as the atmosphere is concerned. ... This immense grassy expanse is purged from impurities of every kind and the

air imparts a force and vigor to the body and mind, which repays the occupant in a great measure for his deprivations; nature has conferred upon him health, the first and best of her gifts."

In addition to an explanation of the mode of selling land, the booklets included information on soil and vegetation, water supply, railroad facilities, taxes and county government, rainfall, crops, ideal planting time and diagrams for planting. Pictures of the Pampa schoolhouse (1903) and a number of farm scenes were included. Testimonials from farmers near Miami and in Carson County told of successful crops.

In 1905 and 1906, large immigration companies ran regular homeseekers' excursion trains from Chicago, St. Louis and other points in the North into the Texas Panhandle. Transportation was free to those who purchased land. When these trains reached their points of destination, they were parked along railroad sidings for several days at a time while scores of land agents took the homeseekers to observe the lands listed with their companies. Trains were closely guarded so that individuals or corporations not listed with the **LAND** cont. on page 6

Would you trust the system if your kid were on trial?



DEBRA SAUNDERS

Clarence Aaron described his time in federal prison serving life without parole for a first-time nonviolent drug conviction as "a walking death sentence on" his head. Before President Barack Obama commuted his sentence last month, Aaron faced a longer sentence than some fellow inmates with multiple felonies — even murder.

Aaron was hardly the only nonviolent offender sentenced to life without parole. Last year, the American Civil Liberties Union reported that more than 2,000 federal inmates were serving life without parole for nonviolent offenses.

How can a nonviolent first-time offender be sentenced to life without parole? Their biggest mistake, after their crimes, was not pleading guilty. "Prosecutors give drug defendants a so-called choice. In the most egregious cases, the choice can be to plead guilty to 10 years or risk life without parole by going to trial," Human Rights Watch adviser Jamie Fellner says. She has a term for it: "the trial penalty," which can deliver longer time than drug dealing itself.

When a case goes to trial, the prosecutor gets to pick the sentence by choosing the amount of drugs for which a defendant is charged. A federal judge had to sentence Aaron to life because he was convicted of conspiracy to traffic 23 kilograms of crack and powder cocaine. The crazy part is that prosecutors got to 23 kilograms by charging Aaron for a 9-kilogram deal that did happen and a 15-kilogram deal that did not.

The career dealers knew how to game the system. Their sentences were reduced because they testified against Aaron.

The National Association of Assistant United States Attorneys is fighting back against the bad press on federal mandatory minimums. The system, prosecutors argue, protects the public from the old days when a defendant's

sentence depended on which judge heard the case. Now the guilty know that some prison time is unavoidable.

Georgetown University Law Center professor Bill Otis, a former federal prosecutor, reminded me that every system, every country, has its sentencing anomalies. The federal system at least has four checks — plea bargains, a "safety valve" that allows judges to reduce the punishment for some low-level defendants, defendants' ability to reduce their penalty by testifying against others, and the presidential pardon power that commuted Aaron's life sentence.

I should add that Otis doesn't see drug dealing as nonviolent, not when an addict could die of an overdose.

I would expect to agree with everything Otis said. No system is perfect. Plea bargains benefit both law enforcement and defendants. The federal "safety valve" gives judges some discretion. Guilty parties can reduce their sentences by cooperating with authorities. If all else fails, there is the presidential pardon.

Except: The minimum sentence for a nonviolent offense should not be life without parole, basically the same as the maximum sentence.

Federal prosecutors want the public to trust them even when they do nothing to curb their own excesses. No reasonable person would assert that there is a public interest in putting young, low-level, nonviolent offenders, with or without prior convictions, behind bars until they die.

If the Department of Justice had demonstrated any kind of commitment to fixing its excesses, the public could trust prosecutors. Instead, the prosecutorial-industrial complex has circled the wagons and actually defends these medieval punishments.

Florida's Stephanie George was one of the other seven recipients of a presidential commutation last month. Like Aaron, who told me he was guilty of "a big crime," George made some huge mistakes. In 1996, authorities searched her house and found \$14,000 and 500 **TRIAL** cont. on page 6



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The despotism of 'choice'

The Little Sisters of the Poor, a 175-year-old Catholic order of nuns that cares for the elderly poor, believes itself to enjoy a constitutional right to exemption from a federal mandate hazardous to the order's self-understanding.

The mandate, under Obamacare, is either to cover contraceptives and abortifacients for employees or to hand off coverage to the Little Sister's insurance carrier. The nuns oppose all artificial means of birth control.

Well, so what? The Department of Health and Human Services thinks it's being nice by allowing a religious institution to sign a document saying basically, "Oooooohhh, birth control, bad! — so, gee, thanks, insurance carrier, for hiding the ball in our behalf." The Little Sisters insist, in a lawsuit filed by their Denver chapter, that farming out the job to another party implicates them in the action they oppose.

The government's very odd way of prioritizing values — free contraceptive devices measured as a higher good than any moral understanding possibly planted by God — is characteristic of our times.

Secular political ideals regularly trump religious scruples. "Made in Washington, D.C.," is a stronger product endorsement these days than "Thus saith the Lord."

The Little Sisters of the Poor have company in their distress over the government's theological arm-twisting. At the start of the year, 91 lawsuits were pending against the contraceptive mandate, which, though it exempts churches, applies to church-related institutions such as hospitals and universities. It applies as well to private businesses whose owners share scruples akin to those of the non-profits that oppose contraception.

The Green family, which owns the craft store chain Hobby Lobby, "finds no objection to the use of 16 of 20 preventative contraceptives required in the mandate." Quite a different matter from the Greens' standpoint are "four possible life-threatening drugs and devices," including Plan B and Ella. In a lawsuit the U.S., Supreme Court will hear in March, Hobby Lobby contends that the mandate undermines its right to religious freedom. Another complainant is the evangelical institution Wheaton College, whose president, Philip Ryken, supports Catholics in their struggle to "have the

freedom to carry out their mission without government coercion."

The Denver Little Sisters stand in no short-run peril, U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor having enjoined the government temporarily from making them sign up or pay an annual fine — \$2.5 million — representing a third of their budget. The Supreme Court will eventually hand down its consensus view as to their rights under the First Amendment to freedom of worship and the free exercise of religion.

The matter would once upon a time have seemed cut and dry. Of course, the religious exemption trumped one-size-fits-all political calculations! A pre-liberated age would have seen the whole question as intrusive on constitutionally protected reasoning, as well as inappropriate to sound public policy.

That was before the federal government took over, as numerous Americans saw it, primary responsibility for maximizing American health and prosperity. The religious freedom provisions of the First Amendment became less a protection for the most important convictions of life than a barrier to achievement of secular goals — "reproductive choice" very much near the top of that list.

In the Little Sisters case, and the others working their way up to the Supreme Court, genuinely free choice obtains only for those interested in electing for birth control. That's what they want? Well, that takes care of it. Our elected officials have established a regime under which most employers must make birth control free. What more needs saying?

Meanwhile, the country moves toward a kind of orthodoxy on "marriage equality," with federal judges overruling, in Utah and Oklahoma, the traditional heterosexual understanding of marriage in order to accommodate those who, shall we say, want something different. A New Mexico photographer was recently sanctioned when she declined to photograph a gay wedding. Similar things are happening to bakers who reserve their wedding cake services for male-female couples.

Repeat after us, boys and girls: "The right to choose means the right to choose rightly." In accordance with who's got the political power. No doubt, these days, of whom that is!

William Murchison's latest book is "The Cost of Liberty: The Life of John Dickinson." To find out more about William Murchison, and to see features by other Creators Syndicate writers and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate website at www.Creators.com.

United

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mental. We did reach our goal and both Brad and Jana will be complimented highly for it. They brought a lot of initiative and excitement to the campaign and it was an exciting year.”

Gregory said that budget

allocations will come in April for the coming year. They will have a kickoff on the second Tuesday in September this year. They plan to use some of the same activities for the next campaign.

The new campaign chair for 2014 will be Donny Hooper, who served as vice chair for 2013. Taking Hooper's place as vice chair is Keith Demetriades of Edward Jones Invest-

ments. Morse said he has good memories from the campaign.

“We have had a very, very good time,” Morse said. “With some of the new things we have put in place. We know the things that didn't work. Our energetic new campaign manager will have a more successful year than I did and build on that with Mr. Demetriades.”

Bill

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last,” he said. He believes that the key to owning a business is taking care of the customers, being a people person and enjoying the job.

Hite said that ownership has its advantages. Though there are several regulations he must follow, in his opinion the pros outweigh the cons.

When it comes to working in Pampa, Hite said he enjoys it here because it is a conservative town in the Bible belt.

“Over the years I've

gained a lot of 40-year friends and that doesn't happen in big towns. It's the quality of life here that makes it so enjoyable,” he said.

Hite added that he believes his store has experienced so much success because there aren't many places like it, “This type of store is rare. It's an old fashioned soda fountain with a different menu. I don't know of another store like it,” he said.

Heard-Jones combines a pharmacy, retail shopping and an old-fashioned soda fountain lunch counter, which is convenient for customers who enjoy one-stop shopping.

He knows of one other

store that provides a similar combination of service, but it is in Dallas and that store only serves sandwiches. Hite takes pride in the fact that his menu offers a variety of items and is constantly changing, adding that a popular item is the 99-cent hamburgers on Saturdays.

Though he has put his heart and soul into Heard-Jones for many years now, Hite also enjoys fishing, hunting, maintaining fish ponds, flowers and reading nonfiction. He looks forward to a bright future in Pampa, happily serving his customers.

Heard-Jones is located at 114 N. Cuyler St.

Jury

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Kimberly Dawn Morris, possession of a controlled substance, namely methamphetamine, less than one gram.

Cassandra Ann Janway, possession of a controlled substance, namely methamphetamine, less than one gram.

Don Ray Howard, possession of a controlled substance, namely methamphetamine, between one and four grams.

Daniel Allen Hamm, possession of a controlled substance, namely methamphetamine, less than one gram.

Shelly Dawn Graham, manufacturing or delivering a controlled substance, namely methamphetamine, between four and 200 grams.

Brandi Bernise Davisson, theft of property between \$1,500 and \$20,000, possession of a prohibited substance in a correctional facility, possession of a controlled substance, namely methamphetamine, less than one gram.

Ronald Scott Davis, unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, third or more driving while intoxicated offense.

Roy Brent Burnett, burglary of a habitation.

Auction

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Champion. Alyson Chisum of Gray County 4-H, winner of Class 18, is the reserve. For class 17, Jaycee Devoll and Emily Terry, both of Pampa FFA, finished second and third, respectively. For Class 18, Delaney Riggs and Duncan Youree, both of Gray County 4-H, finished second and third, respectively. Terry won class 19, with Jacey Baten of Gray County 4-H being second and Devoll finishing third. In class 20, Paden Watson of Pampa FFA finished first, Clay Baten of Gray County 4-H took second with Delaney Tucker of the Gray County 4-H rounding out the Top 3.

Spots and Polands — Drew Davis, winner of Class 22 and member of Gray County 4-H, took Champion and Cash Manhart, of Class 21 and Pampa FFA, took reserve. Marlee Youree of Gray County 4-H and Lakin Cox of Pampa FFA rounded out the Top 3 for Class 21. For Class 22, Hudson Scribner, of Gray County 4-H, and Bailee Budd of Pampa FFA rounded out the Top 3.

Yorkshire — Caden Ensey of Pampa FFA won

class 23 and Champion. Class 24 winner, Emily Licklider of Pampa FFA, is reserve. Duncan Youree and Mary Cochran of the Gray County 4-H finish Top 3 in Class 23. Coachran finished second and Pampa FFA member John Cryer took third for Class 24.

Cross — The Champion was Pampa FFA member Cash Manhart, winner of Class 29. The reserve is the winner of Class 26, Alyson Chisum, member of Gray County 4-H. For Class 25, Pampa FFA members Braydon Turner, Hunter Turner and Cash Manhart finished first, second and third, respectively. Behind Chisum in Class 26, fellow Gray County 4-H Gage Hoganson finished second with Emily Terry finishing third and representing the Pampa FFA. For Class 27, Pampa FFA's

Paden Watson and Victor Villarreal finished first and second, with Gray County 4-H's Delaney Riggs taking third. In Class 28, Emily Licklider and Cason Troxell, both of the Pampa FFA, took first and second, and Kellie Mae Davis, representing the Gray County 4-H, took third. Behind Manhart in Class 29, Licklider finished second and Nikalyn McGinty, of the Gray County 4-H, took third.

Other honors

Cash Manhart was the Grand Champion of the Barrows overall. Alyson Chisum was his reserve. The Wayne Stribling Citizenship Award went to Emily Terry. The Buddy Lowrey Scholarship award went to Macy Cochran.

Pampa Fire Department call log — Jan. 17-21

The Pampa Fire Department responded to these calls for the following dates. One unit with three personnel responded to each call, unless otherwise indicated.

Jan. 17

At 8:19 p.m., one unit and four personnel to a medical call in the 1100 block of South Nelson.

Jan. 18

At 9:05 a.m., to a medical call in the 1100 block of Huff.

At 10:42 a.m., to a lift assist in the 1100 block of Huff.

At 12:27 p.m., to a medical call in the 200 block of Eshom.

At 2:38 p.m., two units

and six personnel to a false alarm in the 900 block of Scott.

At 2:47 p.m., to a motor vehicle accident at the intersection of 17th and Hobart. There were no life-threatening injuries.

At 4:07 p.m., three units and seven personnel to a structure fire in the 800 block of Tignor. The structure was a total loss and there were 25 fowl lost inside the fire.

At 5:59 p.m., to a medical call in the 1400 block of Williston.

At 6:43 p.m., to a medical assist in the 100 block of South Wells.

Jan. 19

At 3:26 a.m., to a motor

vehicle accident in the 1200 block of Wills. There were no life-threatening injuries.

At 12:10 p.m., one unit and two personnel to a grass fire in the 1100 block of East 16th.

Jan. 20

At 12:08 a.m., to a motor vehicle accident at Fred-eric and Finley. There were injuries.

At 6:57 p.m., to a medical assistance call in the 1800 block of North Price.

Jan. 21

At 12:12 a.m., two units and six personnel to a false alarm in the 1400 block of West Somerville.

At 12:44 a.m., to a medical assist in the 1200 block of North Zimmers.

Man killed in Wheeler County crash

STAFF REPORT

A 21-year-old Alabama man is dead and a 59-year-old Sayre, Okla. man is hospitalized after a crash Monday in Wheeler County.

Jay Dillion Steele, of Grand Bay State, Ala., was pronounced dead at the scene, according to the

Texas Department of Public Safety.

Kevin Lloyd Willhelm was in stable condition Tuesday at Northwest Texas Healthcare System in Amarillo.

Around 7:40 a.m., Steele was driving north on Farm to Market Road 592 in a 2006 Chevrolet Silverado while Willhelm was east-

bound on State Highway 152 in a 1999 Ford F-250.

Steele disregarded the stop sign at the intersection of FM 592 and S.H. 152 and struck Willhelm's truck on the driver's side door, the collision report stated.

Steele and Willhelm were not wearing seatbelts, the report stated.

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Land

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immigration companies could not contact the prospective buyers.

In 1906 Avery Turner, Passenger Agent at Amarillo, granted permission for Hobart to construct a small exhibit building on the railroad right-of-way near the depot at Pampa. Around the building farmers displayed their produce which included pumpkins, watermelons, wheat shocks, squash and tomatoes. An employee of White Deer Lands was stationed at the building to hand out descriptive literature and booklets.

The enraged immigrant land agents began to circumvent the effectiveness of the exhibit building. They left the main part of their trains about half a mile from the Pam-

pa station. They detached their engines and brought them to Pampa for the needed water. Then they returned to the trains to attach the engines and come through Pampa at a high rate of speed so that the passengers could not alight and see the products on display.

In early September, 1906, Hobart received a letter from one of the Chicago immigration agents. The agent began: "I confess that I was getting ready to slug one of your agents who persisted in handing booklets into my car (train). He seemed to be a little light in the upper story and a few questions asked him, caused him to so tangle himself that he did us no harm."

The Chicago agent then proposed for Hobart to join him in selling land in a way that would exploit land buyers. In

a terse letter Hobart informed the Chicago agent that he did not employ outside agents. Hobart concluded: "I have been in Texas some 24 years, and my knowledge of Texas people convinces me that they do not take kindly to sluggers, and I have known the results to be very unpleasant. Just keep your sluggers in Chicago, and I feel sure they will enjoy much better health than if they attempt to apply their vocation here."

The feud between Hobart and the outside agents became more heated. The outside agents resorted to any kind of strategy to prevent buyers from getting information about White Deer Lands. Their secretive methods aroused the suspicions of the homeseekers and Hobart's booklets continued to be in great demand.

This stirred the anger of the outside agents to its highest pitch and in retaliation two nightly raids were made on the exhibit building. On one occasion Hobart had the Sheriff and a Deputy stationed to preserve order.

Railroad officials were concerned because they furnished the excursion trains to the Southwest and were greatly interested in seeing that the lands along their lines were settled and developed.

Hobart, who did not want to embarrass the railroad officials, wrote to Avery Turner, giving a detailed account of the differences between himself and the immigrant agents. By that time he thought that his best advertising came from the people who had examined what White Deer Lands had to offer and told others about it.

The produce of farmers on White Deer Lands was displayed at the exhibition building during the summers of 1906-07-08. Then Starkweather, superintendent of the Santa Fe at Amarillo, ordered the White Deer Land Company to remove the exhibit building from the right-of-way. For a time the building served as an office for J.N. Duncan, first mayor of Pampa. Then it was moved to Fairview Cemetery and used to house tools and equipment.

To learn more about the railway or the White Deer Lands, please 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. Credits: White Deer Land Museum archives, Eloise Lane.

Trial

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grams of her boyfriend's cocaine stash in her attic. Because George had two prior felonies — for selling \$40 and \$120 worth of crack, which were counted as separate felonies — this 26-year-old woman was sentenced to life without parole.

When The Washington Post praised Obama for showing mercy toward a mother serving "a life sentence for stashing her boyfriend's drugs," the NAAUSA took offense. President Robert Gay Guthrie chided the editorial board for not recognizing that George's "prior convictions caused her to be considered a 'career criminal' with a criminal history at the highest level under the federal sentencing guidelines. Federal law, as mandated by Congress, caused her drug distribution conviction, her third, to trigger a life sentence."

That's why Congress should change the law.

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Judge to sentence Halliburton manager in oil spill

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A former Halliburton manager faces a possible prison term when a federal judge sentences him for destroying evidence in the aftermath of BP's massive 2010 oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

Anthony Badalamenti, of Katy, Texas, was scheduled to be sentenced Tuesday by U.S. District Judge Jay Zainey. Badalamenti pleaded guilty in October to one misdemeanor count of destruction of evidence and faces a maximum sentence of one year in prison and a \$100,000 fine.

Badalamenti was the cementing technology director for Halliburton Energy Services Inc., BP's cement

contractor on the Deepwater Horizon drilling rig. Prosecutors said he instructed two Halliburton employees to delete data during a post-spill review of the cement job on BP's blown-out Macondo well.

Halliburton cut its own deal with the Justice Department and pleaded guilty in September to a misdemeanor charge related to Badalamenti's conduct. The company agreed to pay a \$200,000 fine and make a \$55 million contribution to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, but the later payment wasn't a condition of the deal.

Tai Park, one of Badalamenti's lawyers, said in

October that guidelines calculated by prosecutors call for Badalamenti to receive a sentence ranging from probation to six months in prison. Zainey, however, isn't bound by the sentencing guidelines.

Four current or former BP employees also have been charged in federal court with spill-related crimes.

On Dec. 18, a jury convicted former BP drilling engineer Kurt Mix of trying to obstruct a federal probe of the spill. Prosecutors said Mix was trying to destroy evidence when he deleted a string of text messages to and from a BP supervisor.

Mix faces a maximum sentence of 20 years in pris-

on and a \$250,000 fine. His sentencing is set for March 26.

BP well site leaders Robert Kaluza and Donald Vidrine pleaded not guilty to manslaughter charges stemming from the deaths of 11 workers on the Deepwater Horizon. Prosecutors claim Kaluza and Vidrine botched a key safety test and disregarded abnormally high pressure readings that were glaring signs of trouble before the April 2010 blowout of BP's Macondo well triggered a deadly explosion.

Former BP executive David Rainey was charged with concealing information from Congress about the amount of oil that was gush-

ing from BP's well before the company sealed it.

Prosecutors said Badalamenti instructed two Halliburton employees to delete data from separate runs of computer simulations on centralizers, which are used to keep the casing centered in the wellbore. The data could have supported BP's decision to use six centralizers instead of 21 on the Macondo project, but prosecutors said the number of centralizers had little effect on the outcome of the simulations.

Halliburton notified the Justice Department about the deletion of the data, which couldn't be recovered.

Sex abuse files on 30 Chicago priests going public

CHICAGO (AP) — Thousands of pages of documents showing how the Archdiocese of Chicago handled the sexual abuse of children by priests will be made public Tuesday, providing the broadest look yet into the details of what the archdiocese knew and did — or didn't do — about the scandal.

The archdiocese, one of the largest and most influential in the U.S., handed over last week more than 6,000 pages of documents to victims' attorneys, who said they will show the archdiocese concealed abuse for decades, including moving priests to new parishes where they molested again.

The disclosures involving 30 priests were made as part of legal settlements with abuse victims, and are similar to disclosures made in other dioceses in the U.S. in recent years that showed how the Roman Catholic Church shielded priests and failed for many years to report child sex abuse to authorities.

Chicago officials said most of the abuse occurred before 1988 and none after 1996.

Debra Brian, a 24-year-old Catholic from Chicago, had not yet seen or heard what was included in the documents, but said Sunday that the church is doing the right thing by acknowledging what occurred.

"Hopefully it will help people come forward," said Brian.

Cardinal Francis George, who has led the archdiocese since 1997, released a letter to parishioners on Jan. 12 in which he apologized for the abuse and said releasing the records "raises transparency to a new level." He also stressed that much of the abuse occurred decades ago, before he became archbishop. He said all of the incidents

eventually were reported to civil authorities and resulted in settlements with victims.

"I apologize to all those who have been harmed by these crimes and this scandal, the victims themselves, most certainly, but also rank and file Catholics who have been shamed by the actions of some priests and bishops," George wrote.

The archdiocese has paid millions of dollars to settle sexual abuse claims, including those against Father Daniel McCormack, who was sentenced to five years in prison after pleading guilty in 2007 to abusing five children while he was parish priest at St. Agatha Catholic Church and a teacher at a Catholic school. The next year, the archdiocese agreed to pay \$12.6 million to 16 victims of sexual abuse by priests, including McCormack.

Files on McCormack

will not be among those released; they have been sealed by a judge because of pending court cases, said Chicago attorney Marc Pearlman, who has represented about 200 victims of clergy abuse in the Chicago area. Pearlman said he and St. Paul, Minn., attorney Jeff Anderson will re-release the McCormack documents that they have.

Many of the accused priests are dead, and the documents will include only 30 of 65 priests for whom the archdiocese says it has credible allegations of abuse.

Peter Isely, Midwest director for the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests, said it's important for all Chicago-area Catholics to read the documents.

"This is about a part of their story as Chicago Catholics that ... has been systematically hidden," Isely said.

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Cause of deadly Omaha plant explosion unknown

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — After a blast caused much of an Omaha manufacturing plant to collapse, some workers found themselves buried in debris and others scrambled for their lives. Two of the 38 workers who were at the International Nutrition plant on Monday morning died and 10 were hospitalized with significant injuries, authorities said. A firefighter was also sent to the hospital with an injured hand. Jamar White was one of the more fortunate employees — he was outside watching trucks unload at

the time of the explosion. White said he heard a loud crack and looked up to see the back wall of the building collapsing. “I ran at least 150 feet,” White said. “I ran far enough to make sure nothing else would keep falling.” Key structural supports failed after the blast, and the second and third floors of the plant collapsed on top of the first floor. The blast knocked out the lights in the building and sent workers fleeing for safety. Authorities don’t know what caused the blast. Oma-

ha Interim Fire Chief Bernie Kanger said at a news conference Monday night that he couldn’t say for sure there was an explosion, though workers and other witnesses described hearing a blast. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration will investigate the cause of the accident; Kanger said that could take weeks. He noted there were no hazardous chemicals at the International Nutrition plant, which makes nutritional products that are added to livestock and poultry feed. Kanger said firefighters

were able to rescue five men initially, including one who was cut from the debris. Search-and-rescue experts worked into Monday evening to stabilize the building and remove the body of one victim, 53-year-old Keith Everett of Omaha. A combination of strong winds, cold temperatures and the dangerous rubble forced rescuers to suspend operations before the second victim could be recovered, Kanger said. That person’s name hasn’t been released. “We’ve got tens of thousands of pounds of con-

crete, reinforced concrete and steel,” Kanger said, noting the search effort and investigation will resume Tuesday morning. “This is a very significant rescue operation.” White’s wife, Sarah White, said she was at home with her four children when her husband called after the explosion. “I could hear the panic in his voice,” she said. She spent the morning waiting with other workers’ families for updates on their loved ones. “All of the people who are hurt are people he works

with every day,” she said. “I know that he’s OK, but it’s still emotional because I know I could be one of those families crying.” Worker Nate Lewis said he was on the first floor when he heard the explosion. The building went dark, so the 21-year-old used light from his cellphone to make his way across the production floor and outside. “I was a production line worker, although I don’t know if I want to be that anymore,” said Lewis, who’s been at the plant for about four months.

Area support groups

The following is a list of support groups that meet regularly each week in Pampa. Information for each meeting is submitted to The Pampa News office and may not be completely updated or accurate. Please notify the newsroom if a change is necessary. The Pampa News welcomes all submitted materials for area support groups. Please include the meeting time, date and location and, if applicable, provide a contact number for each group.

- **Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault**, meet at 5:30 p.m., Thursdays, and at 2 p.m., Fridays, at the Tralee Crisis Center, 308 S. Cuyler St. For more info, call the Center at 806-669-1131.
- **Narcotics Anonymous — The Pampa Group** meets at 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays, and at 6 p.m., Saturdays, at 805 N. Gray St. **Narcotics Anonymous — Rufe Jordan Unit** also meets at 6 p.m., Mondays, and at 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays, at 1992 Hilton Road.
- **Cancer Support** meets at 1 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Pampa

Regional Medical Center cafeteria. For more info, contact Beth Kean at 806-359-4673. Ext. 235.

- **Alcoholics Anonymous Open Door Club** meets daily at noon and 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky Ave. **Al-Anon** meets at noon on Mondays. For more information, call 665-9072.
- **Alcoholics Anonymous Primary Purpose** meets daily at noon and 8 p.m. at 112 W. Foster Ave.
- **Alcoholics Anonymous Keep It Simple** meets Thursdays at 6 p.m. at the Methodist church in White Deer.
- **Pampa Caregiver Support** meets at the Pampa Nursing Center on 1321 W. Kentucky Ave. at 6 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. For more information call 806-669-2551.
- **Accolade Home Care** sponsors a **Parkinson’s Support Group** the second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. The group meets at Accolade at 1313 N. Hobart St. For more information, call Lindsey Been at 806-665-9700 or 806-324-3230.

Dad of shooting victim: shooter ‘not a bad boy’

ROSWELL, N.M. (AP) — The family of a New Mexico middle school girl shot by a fellow student on campus said the suspected shooter “is not a bad boy” and that people need to stop trying to find someone to blame. Bert Sanders, the father of 13-year-old shooting victim Kendal, told reporters Monday he believes the boy’s family are “good people,” the Roswell Daily Record reports. He also said his daughter

and the suspected shooter are friends. Both went to Vacation Bible Study together and Kendal shares her father’s forgiving nature, he said. “She is not angry at (the suspected shooter). She thinks he made bad choices,” Bert Sanders told reporters. Kendal and 12-year-old Nathaniel Tavarez were wounded when the young gunman entered the crowded Berrendo Middle School

gym Jan. 14 and fired three times from a 20-gauge shotgun. The seventh-grade suspect has been charged as a juvenile with three counts of aggravated battery with a deadly weapon. Under New Mexico law, the state can charge minors as adults only if they are at least 14. The Associated Press typically doesn’t identify juveniles accused of crimes.

Nathaniel Tavarez remained at a Lubbock, Texas, hospital Monday. A family member said the boy is in critical but stable condition and is now breathing on his own. Bert Sanders said he believed no one is to blame for the shooting. “Not the teachers. Not the schools. The responsibility is ours. We as parents need to be more involved,” he said.

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Pampa Faith

Teddy, you shouldn't have done that

As a child I grew up in a neighborhood with lots of kids. On the 2100 block of Hamilton Street alone there were two dozen. There was always someone to play with. One of those boys was named



MIKE SUBLETT

Teddy. He lived one block over on Coffee St. and was a couple of years older than me.

One day he asked me to come over and play. Now I probably should have known something was up, since he had NEVER EVER BEFORE asked me over to play. A few moments after I arrived he informed me that he had two sets of boxing gloves and proposed that we spar. Now I had never boxed before, but since we were only playing I thought, "What the heck."

We both put our gloves on and before I knew it WHAM! Teddy had obviously boxed a lot and he had no problem with using me as his punching bag that afternoon.

I had no idea what I was doing so I rarely ever hit him, but he seldom ever missed me. My head was ringing and ringing and ringing.

Then the beating finally ended when my nose began to bleed and I began to cry. Looking back on that day Teddy played his part well. He acted so apologetic and heartbroken when his mother came out after she heard me cry. She took care of me and then ordered us to find something else to play.

We started playing with his little Army soldiers and equipment in his front yard. We set up our armies facing each other and then began to toss rocks at the opposing men. Everything was going fine until I began to hit his men and pillboxes more often than he did mine. Teddy got mad, picked up a toy shotgun made of metal and wood and WHACK! The next thing I knew I had a huge knot on my head.

Usually I would have just started to cry

(I was a wuss), but that time I got mad. I looked around for something to return the favor with and saw a one- metal pipe. I swung as hard as I could and BAM! There was a split second delay and then a Mount Vesuvius volcanic eruption of blood began to burst forth from Teddy's head. Teddy was screaming at the top of his lungs, blood covered the ground in seconds and so I did what any boy would do who was certain his life was about to come to an end. I ran home.

A couple of hours later our phone rang. My mom got Teddy's mom's version of the story and I got a supreme busting. It turned out that they rushed Teddy to his doctor's office because of the size and depth of the gash. If I remember correctly it was something like 34 stitches and I had only missed putting his left eye out by about half-inch. Teddy and I never played by ourselves again, just when we were with a group of neighborhood kids.

The point of this story is that children just don't often think things through. Blinding Teddy's left eye never crossed my mind. Now hurting him for what he had done to me overwhelmed my mind. But this truth isn't limited to kids.

Sometimes adults don't think things through either. However, when that happens they can't say that they were just a child and didn't know any better.

Usually when adults go brain dead for a few seconds they really aren't brain dead. Most of the time they are fully aware of what they are about to do and what the possible ramifications could be. So then why do adults follow through? Why don't they stop? Kids may not know any better, but adults do. Why?

The answer is easy: SATAN. Adults create messes because they listen to the devil more often than they do to the Lord. Remedy? Listen first and foremost to the Lord's voice.

Mike Sublett is a pastor at Hi-Land Christian Church, 1615 N. Banks St., Pampa, Texas 79065. Email him at pawdad@nts-online.net.

CHURCH SPOTLIGHT

A career or a mission

"What does man gain from all his labor at which he toils under the sun"—Ecclesiastes 1:3

What you gain from your labor depends on why you are doing it. There is a great difference between living for a career and being on a mission. The Bible never talks about having a career, the word is not in the Bible. But having a mission is!

It's not that Christians do not have careers, we do. Some of us are teachers, some are writers, some are bankers, some are doctors or nurses, and some are engineers. But there is a difference between a career and a mission.

When your career is the focal point of your life, then you are career-minded and career-driven. Your goal is to climb the career ladder. You are always looking for a good career move. Everything is based upon that elusive spot called "the top of the career ladder." When you get there you have arrived.

Remember in Mark 8:35 the Lord Jesus said, "Whoever wants to save his life shall lose it." Your career is the answer to the

question, "What do you do for a living?" Your mission is the answer to the question, "Why did God put you here on earth?"

If you are just here to go to college, get a degree, get a job, get married, have some children, climb the career ladder, make some money, buy a home at the lake, retire, grow old and die — then what is the big deal? It is good to have a career, but it is better to have a mission from God.

What about Jesus Christ? He was on a mission for God the Father to be the Savior of lost mankind. His life does not make sense from a career plan. Dying on a cross is not a great career move. Yet by His death, He reconciled man to God. By His resurrection He provided for us justification and eternal life. I would say He was a great success in His mission.

Do you regard your life so far, a success from God's perspective? If not, why not change the plan you live by and find your life mission from God. Then your life will truly be filled with purpose, joy and satisfaction.

Dr. David Boulter is from Tennessee Temple University in Chattanooga, Tenn., who writes "God's Good News For Today." He can be reached at davidboulter@tn temple.edu.



DAVID BOULTER

Church Calendar

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,"

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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.

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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.
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School board meetings

The Pampa Independent School District board meets at 5:45 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month. Check The Pampa News for meeting locations.

Immunization clinic 3 times a month

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) hosts an immunization clinic in Pampa three times a month. The clinics are held from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 3 p.m. on the first three Wednesdays of each month. The first 10 people in line for the morning and first 10 in the afternoon will always receive shots. However, if there are more than 10, they still may be able to accommodate the patients, or ask them to come back at another time.

For more information, call 665-4752 or 806-874-3211. The clinic is located at 736 S. Cuyler St.

PAWS meets first Tuesdays

Pampa Animal Welfare Society meets the first Tuesday of each month in the north meeting room at the Lovett Memorial Library. The meetings are at 6:30 p.m. and are open to the public.

There is a desperate need for more members, especially when the new shelter opens. PAWS members are needed to work at the shelter from 3 to 5:30 p.m. each day and to work adoption days or take animals to the vets when needed, but mostly people are needed to love and work with the animals where they will be more adoptable.

For more information, call the shelter after 3 p.m. at 669-5775 and ask for the PAWS volunteer.

County Commission meetings

The Gray County Commission meets at 9 a.m. on the first and 15th

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Monday night dance club

The Monday night dance club meets from 7 to 9 p.m., each Monday, in the Pampa Chamber of Commerce building on the corner of Ballard and Kingsmill. Admission is \$3.50. Cold drinks and coffee are offered. The club plays country music. For more information, call Della at 806-663-1136.

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Bombardier lays off 550 US employees, contractors

WICHITA, Kan. (AP) — Airplane-maker Bombardier announced Tuesday it plans a workforce reduction of about 1,700 employees and contractors at its facilities in the United States and Canada. That number includes 550 people in the company's Learjet facility in Wichita.

The Wichita cuts include 200 contractors who left the company in December after their contracts expired and were not renewed, said company spokeswoman Annie Cossette.

Cossette would not reveal how many of the remaining affected workers involved full-time Bombardier employees or company contractors, or when the layoffs are expected to begin.

The Montreal-based company said the U.S. workforce reduction will take place at its Wichita Learjet plant and its effects will be felt across all the Learjet programs. The layoffs include both union and non-union workers in assembly, manufacturing, engineering, sales and after-market programs.

The machinists union said 150 to 160 employees represented by its bargaining unit in Wichita are expected to lose their jobs.

"We have no indication to how long it will be. We

think a lot of it is based on the market turning around. We are hopeful that these will be short-term," said Bob Wood, spokesman for the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers.

Bombardier's workforce in Wichita includes 3,000 employees and contractors.

"This is a decision, a very difficult decision we had to make in order to protect our business in the long term," Cossette said.

She blamed the workforce reductions on global market conditions, particularly in the light aircraft

segment that has been especially difficult for Learjet. The market for medium- and larger-size aircraft has not been as hurt in the global recession.

"These challenging market conditions for light aircraft are still persisting," Cossette said.

The company said it will be meeting with affected employees in the coming weeks, and some may transfer to 100 other open positions in Wichita.

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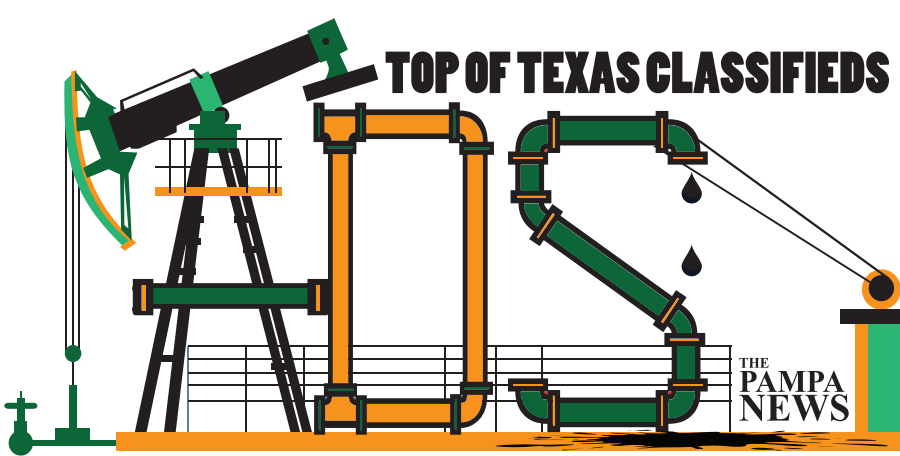
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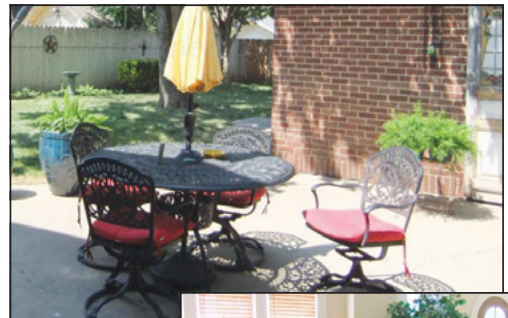
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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I am a 53-year-old male who is fit, healthy and has a good job. I also have two failed marriages behind me, which have cost me dearly, both emotionally and financially. I have no intention of making that mistake again! I have been on my own for five years, and in that time I have had five relationships — always with women my age (give or take a few years).

My problem is that women my age seem to have only one agenda: marriage. One very nice lady finally clarified her feelings by saying that at this time in her life, she didn't have time for "just dating" because in a few years she'd be 60.

I understand her dilemma, but I'm not interested in younger women. I try hard to make it clear at the beginning of any relationship that marriage is out of the question, and I don't proceed with the relationship unless the lady wholeheartedly agrees. But somehow I have broken five good hearts, whose only transgression was falling in love with me. — **NOBODY'S RETIREMENT HUSBAND**

DEAR N.R.H.: I admire your self-image. You must be doing something right to have the ladies lining up the way they are. However, you may not be as effective a communicator as you think you are if five different women failed to get the message you said you convey. I have several thoughts about your predicament:

If your only fear of marriage is that you

would again be cleaned out financially, a strong prenuptial agreement could help you avoid any problem if a third marriage didn't work. However, if variety is what you prefer, then you should restate your message every few months as these relationships blossom. (Or you could move to a monastery and stop dangling yourself in the dating pool.)

DEAR ABBY: Once a year I type my ZIP code into a website to see who the registered sex offenders are in my area so I can be better informed and protect myself and my family. A photo, address and the charges attributed to the offender are posted on the site. My jaw dropped to the floor when I saw a man listed that I work with and see quite often. The picture looked recent.

I haven't said anything to him. I have known this person for five years and thought he was a good guy who respected women. I'd like to think it was a one-time mistake and that he would never do it again. But would he?

Should I tell my teenage daughter who sometimes visits me in the office? Should I tell the other women who work here? If a co-worker knew this kind of information and showed it to me, I'd be grateful to know. What do you think I should do? — **STUNNED IN THE CITY**

DEAR STUNNED: Tell your daughter to keep her distance from this co-worker. But before you drop this bombshell at the office, you should first discuss what you have learned with your employer.

DEAR ABBY: I hope you can help with this

etiquette question. My son and his wife believe that when you finish a good meal, you toss your napkin on the now-empty plate. They say this sends a message that the food was great.

I do not agree. Is placing a grubby napkin on the plate inappropriate behavior or is this legit? — **NOT A NAPKIN-TOSSING DAD**

DEAR DAD: Your son and his wife need to re-read the chapter on table manners in their etiquette book. When a meal is finished and the plate is empty, diners should place their used napkins on the table **BESIDE** their dessert plate. It should not be placed on top of a dirty plate.

P.S. If they don't own an etiquette book, it appears they could use one.

Sudoku

Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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Level: Intermediate

BANANAGRAMS!

Use the 15 tiles in this bunch to fill in each of the four 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: Common: Y; IMPLY, MONEY, FOYER, ABYSM

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

- ACROSS**
- 1 Valiant one
 - 5 Bottle topper
 - 9 Outdoor
 - 11 Oscar winner Sophia
 - 12 Anger
 - 13 Make blank
 - 14 Young fellow
 - 15 Sandal feature
 - 17 Reception feature
 - 19 Building wing
 - 20 Prepare for a game
 - 21 Peculiar
 - 22 Swift
 - 24 Gift from Santa
 - 26 Figure of speech
 - 29 Silent
 - 30 Mine, of a sort
 - 32 Pirate's place
 - 34 I, in Berlin
 - 35 Majestic
 - 36 Vicuña's cousin
 - 38 San Antonio landmark
 - 39 Lucifer
 - 40 Misplace
- DOWN**
- 1 Instructional
 - 2 Spell-bound
 - 3 Library patron
 - 4 Unconscious
 - 5 Succotash half
 - 6 Made speeches
 - 7 Found a new owner for
 - 8 Prepare to propose
 - 10 Fear
 - 11 Wolfish look
 - 16 Syrx
 - 18 — a one (none)
 - 21 Norse god
 - 23 Worthy aims
 - 24 Elvis' birthplace
 - 25 Last letters
 - 27 Morphine, for one
 - 28 New Brunswick tribe
 - 29 Fable finish
 - 30 Capital on a fjord
 - 31 Express gratitude to
 - 33 Handle
 - 37 Young fellow

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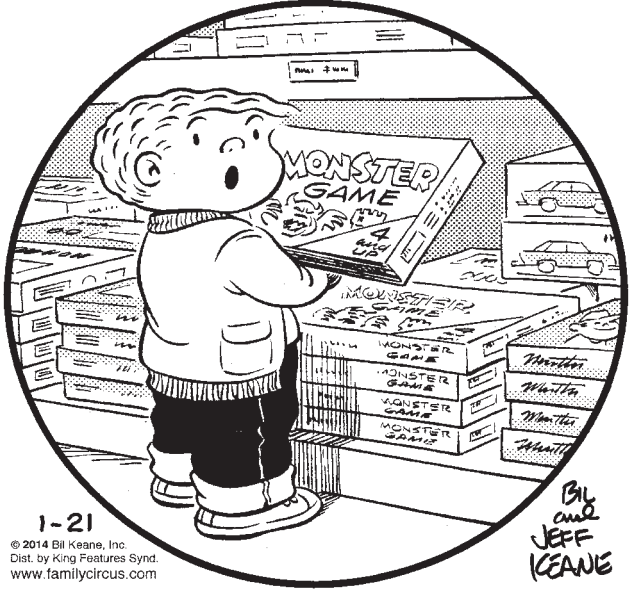
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"Mommy, how long is it before I'm four and up?"

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Nest Heads



daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Jan. 23, 2014:

This year you go from being idealistic to being intensely practical. Others might feel a bit insecure around you, as they don't know who will be in your shoes from one day to the next. Be sensitive to others' needs. If you are single, you are likely to meet someone while out and about. Your relationship might have too public a profile for comfort. If you are attached, the two of you enjoy a common commitment that often occupies your time. Make sure that you also schedule time away together to relax.

SCORPIO is demanding, and often that quality pushes you away.

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)
 ★★ A meeting might take place in the morning. By the afternoon, you will seek out individuals rather than groups. Use your intuition when dealing with a feisty partner. How you see a situation could change because of a conversation. Tonight: Avoid sending mixed messages.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
 ★★ Complete a good amount of work by midday. An associate, partner or loved one could demand a lot of attention in the afternoon. You know what you want, but the other party might not be as sure. A discussion could be difficult, as a result. Tonight: Mix friends and fun.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
 ★★ Tap into your imagination in the morning, when an idea is more likely to serve you. Late afternoon presents a different outlook and a far more demanding schedule. A boss might be eyeing your performance. Do not disappoint him or her. Tonight: Clear out as fast as you can.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
 ★★ Your temper could rise to the surface in the morning, yet by the afternoon, you might forget what had upset you. Your imagination fills in the gaps and easily can find a solution. Tap into your instincts regarding a child or loved one. You will know what to do. Tonight: All smiles.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
 ★★ Return calls, make time for a meeting and handle as much as you can in the morning. By the afternoon, you will want to become less available. You might have a situation on your mind that you need to sort out. Give yourself some

extra time to reflect. Tonight: At home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
 ★★ Be aware of what someone else expects, because you don't want to disappoint this person. In some form, you could send mixed signals. To keep that from happening, be clear with yourself before you act on a personal matter. Tonight: Meet a friend for munchies.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
 ★★ Get a head start on your day, if possible. If an important matter must be handled, do it the morning. By the afternoon, your concerns might change. A discussion about finances seems inevitable. Be aware of a certain insecurity that seems to control you. Tonight: Your treat.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
 ★★ You could feel off in the morning and wonder why you are proceeding the way you are. Stop. Think things through, and take your time. You could feel a lot differently about the same situation a little later. A family member tends to drag you down. Tonight: At home.

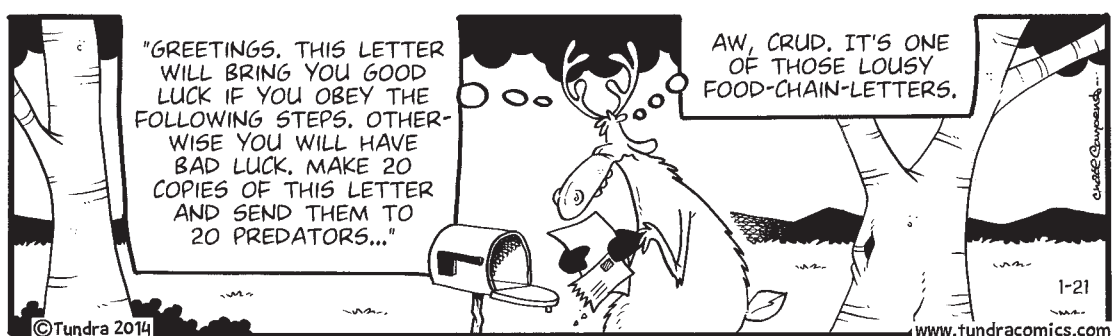
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
 ★★ Dealings with others are highlighted. You need a better sense of direction and an idea of what you want. If you are straightforward, others are likely to respond in kind. Use the afternoon for doing some quiet work, and perhaps make a call or two. Tonight: Do your vanishing act.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
 ★★ Several associates will seek you out for advice. Right now, you need to take a strong stance. Don't allow anyone to distract you. Understanding will evolve later in the day. A meeting could allow you to share recent events and news. Tonight: Start the weekend early.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
 ★★ You could be making an important decision before you know it. Your take-charge attitude will pay off quickly. Don't hesitate to stay on top of a key situation, as no one else cares about your interests as much as you do. Tonight: Loosen up, and enjoy what is happening with a friend.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
 ★★ A direct conversation establishes a connection, but not necessarily an agreement. You could be in for a fast change if you are not careful. How you deal with a friend or loved one might change, given a different perspective. Detach. Tonight: Only where there is music.

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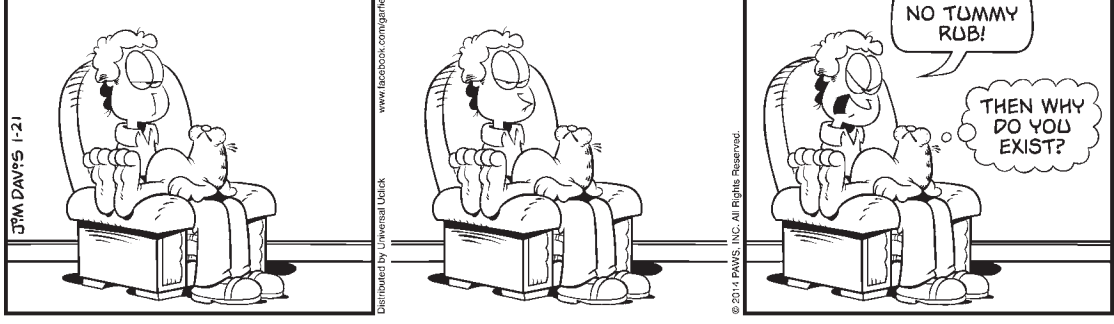
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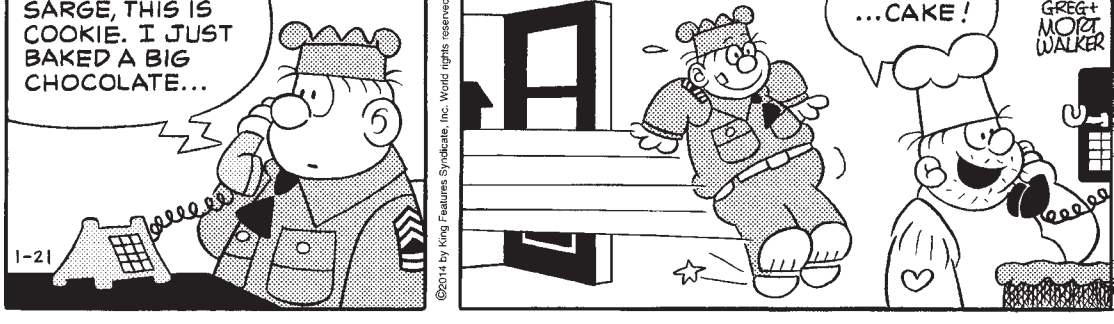
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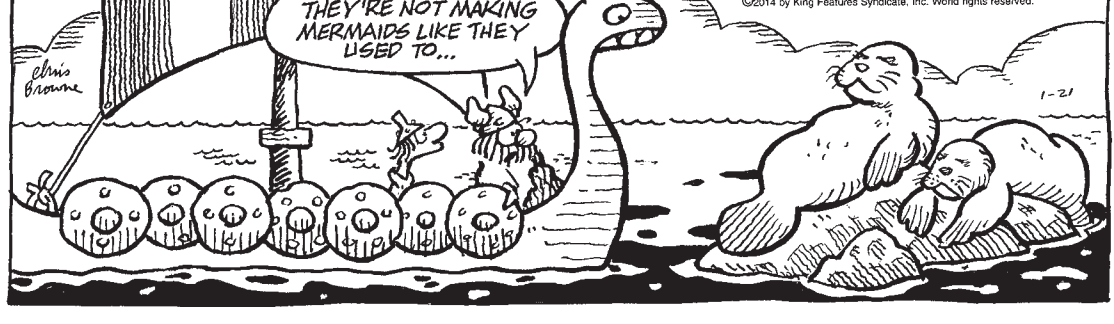
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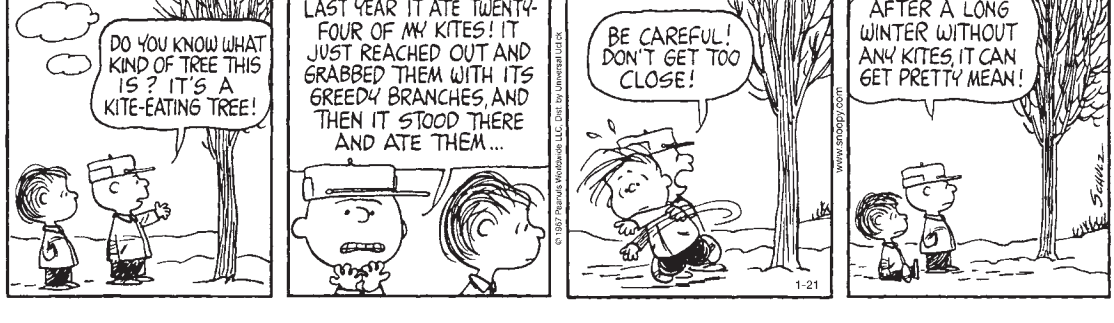
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Junior High basketball versus River Road

STAFF REPORT

Monday night the Pampa Junior High boys hosted River Road. The seventh grade A team won 58-11. Robert Botello and Zerick Arnzen led the team in scoring with 15 and 13 points.

The eighth grade A team won 54-22. Brandon Steward led the team in scoring with 25 points. Brady Porter added 12, and Moses Avila had 11.

The eighth grade B Team won 27-18. The top scorers were Brendan Grant with eight points, Hylee Gomez with seven points and Cris Madrid with six points.

The seventh grade B team won 37-7. The top scorers were Nahum Nunez with 12 points, Braden Parr had 10 points and Austin Hayden had six points.

AP Source: Broncos' Gase tells Browns he's out

CLEVELAND (AP) — Adam Gase has told the Browns not to wait for him.

Denver's offensive coordinator removed his name from consideration for Cleveland's head coaching job on Tuesday, a person familiar with the Browns' search told the Associated Press. Gase called Browns owner Jimmy Haslam and informed him was withdrawing his name and would not interview after the Super Bowl, said the person who spoke on condition of anonymity because the team is not commenting during its search.

The 35-year-old Gase, who will lead the Broncos' high-powered offense against Seattle, was the first candidate contacted by the Browns. Gase declined an initial interview request because he wanted to concentrate on the playoffs, and the Browns would have had to wait until after Feb. 2 to speak with him.

Gase was believed to be the Browns' top target in their quest to replace Rob Chudzinski, fired after one season in Cleveland. Last week, Haslam said the team is "prepared to wait as long as necessary" to hire a coach, and now the Browns will move ahead without Gase, who enjoys his role with the Broncos and may not be ready for a head coaching gig.

The Browns have interviewed at least eight known candidates to become their seventh full-time coach since 1999, and the team has set up second interviews with Seattle defensive coordinator Dan Quinn and Buffalo defensive coordinator Mike Pettine, the source said.

Quinn, who has presided over the NFL's top-rated defense this season, met with the Browns on Jan. 1 and reportedly impressed Haslam and CEO Joe Banner. Pettine had his first interview with the club on Jan. 16.

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Carroll says Sherman sorry rant overshadowed win

RENTON, Wash. (AP) — Pete Carroll pulled Richard Sherman aside on Monday and made sure his fiery comeback understood that his rant against San Francisco's Michael Crabtree was overshadowing the Seattle Seahawks reaching their second Super Bowl in franchise history.

Sherman seemed to get Carroll's message.

"He was really clear that the last thing he wanted to do was take something away from our team, what we had accomplished," Carroll said.

Sherman became the focal point of attention — both positive and negative — after Seattle beat San Francisco 23-17 on Sunday to win the NFC championship.

Sherman was already going to be in the spotlight for what he did on San Francisco's final offensive play, twisting his body to deflect a pass intended for Crabtree into the air and allowing time for teammate Malcolm Smith to run over

and make an interception in the end zone to clinch the Seahawks victory.

The athleticism on the play was worthy of praise. But Sherman's antics from that point drew praise from some for being honest and unfiltered, and criticism from others for being too harsh and combative.

"This is a very emotional kid and that's what drives him," Carroll said. "We did sit down and talk about it because I want him to present himself in his best light. He's an incredible kid."

"He has a great sense about things and understanding and sensitivity and awareness and he cares and he's a very thoughtful person so when he puts out those kind of thoughts he has to know what he's saying and understand it and I think he's very understanding at this point that he caused a



Richard Sherman

stir that took away from the team."

Sherman had been rarely targeted by the 49ers, with most of Colin Kaepernick's passes being thrown in the direction of Byron Maxwell.

But in the final minute, Kaepernick decided to take a shot to the end zone with Crabtree and Sherman matched up one-on-one.

Sherman won the matchup, staying in position to deflect the pass and have it fall into Smith's hands, similar to a tipped interception from Sherman to safety Earl Thomas in Week 15 against the New York Giants.

Except this was far more meaningful, giving Seattle its second conference championship.

But Sherman didn't let the celebration end with Smith and his teammates.

Sherman ran over to Crab-

tree and gave him a pat on the backside, then appeared to extend his arm for a handshake.

Instead, Sherman got shoved in the face before picking up his personal foul as his celebration continued. The taunt included a choking gesture in the direction

of Kaepernick.

Asked about the incident afterward by Fox reporter Erin Andrews, Sherman lit up Twitter with a rant that began: "I'm the best corner in the game. When you try me with a sorry receiver like Crabtree, that's the result you gonna get."



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Belichick: Welker tried to 'take out' Talib

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. (AP) — The collision that knocked Aqib Talib out of the AFC championship game reverberated Monday when Patriots coach Bill Belichick said Wes Welker tried to "take out" the star cornerback.

Belichick took the shot at his former wide receiver after viewing video of the

second-quarter play in the Denver Broncos' 26-16 win on Sunday. Coming from opposite sides, the players ran into each other. No penalty was called.

It "was a deliberate play by the receiver to take out Aqib, no attempt to get open," Belichick said during his opening statement at his season-ending news conference.

"I'll let the league handle the discipline on that play. It's not for me to decide, but it's one of the worst plays I've seen. That's all I'm going to say about that."

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello said Monday, "If there is any discipline for plays in (Sunday's) games, it will be determined by Merton Hanks later in the week."



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