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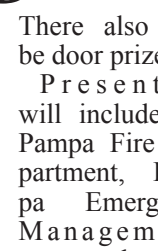
Severe weather expo blowing into Pampa

■ 'Doppler' Dave Oliver scheduled to speak.
 By TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE
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 The Texas Panhandle — where according to Garfield, the perpetually sarcastic cartoon cat, you can experience all four seasons in the time span of 24 hours. The Pampa Independent School District is sponsoring a free severe weather expo from

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 20, at the M.K. Brown Memorial Auditorium, 1000 N. Sumner St.
 NewsChannel 10 meteorologist "Doppler" Dave Oliver will speak in the auditorium at 6:30 p.m. and Krissy Scotten, warning coordination meteorologist with the National Weather Service, will teach a free storm spotter training session. There will be student experiments, storm shelters, an Xcel Energy arc trailer to demonstrate the dangers of electricity, tornado machines, emergency kits and other displays.



Dave Oliver



Krissy Scotten

There also will be door prizes. Presenters will include the Pampa Fire Department, Pampa Emergency Management, personnel from the city's water plant, Xcel Energy, the American Tornado Shelter Association, the American Red Cross, Vaughn Concrete Products, EF-5 Shelters, The Salvation Army and the National Storm Shelter Association. Just added to the program is PISD safety administrator Stuart Smith, who will speak in the auditorium at 6:15 p.m. on safety in the schools during a weather-related event. Charlene Gee, PISD family involvement coordinator, said this

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New firefighter proves to be good fit for Pampa



Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik
 Blake Horton, second from the left, is pictured with the other members of his shift, Equipment Operator (and acting captain) Jason Roberts, Equipment Manager Rick Littlefield and Firefighter Bryan Johnson.

By LINDSEY TOMASCHIK
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 Twenty-one-year-old Blake Horton has been with the Pampa Fire Department for almost one month now, and it turns out he is the perfect fit for the department. Originally from Wheeler, Horton knows the area well, and he brings with him more than four years of volunteer firefighting experience. He has enjoyed his time here and said so far his experience here has been a positive one. "I like the guys I work with and I get along with everyone. Pampa is a good town," Horton said. He is on the B shift at the downtown fire station. Before coming to Pampa, not only was he a volunteer firefighter, but Horton also worked on an ambulance in Wheeler for one year.

Still waiting for his first major fire call, Horton is eager to learn more and says he has no plans to leave Pampa any time soon. "I'd like to become a captain one day," he said of his future goals with the department. Captain is the highest active-duty ranking, not including the office jobs, within the fire department. Right now Horton's rank is firefighter. From there he can move up to equipment manager and then captain after that. When he's not working, Horton enjoys hunting, fishing and riding horses. Fire Chief Kim Powell is just as excited to have Horton on board as he is to be there. "He's home and he gets to stay home," she said, referring to the fact that he is from the area. She added that the department has a higher retention rate among young hires from the Panhandle

because they know the area and feel at home. "He has a great personality that fits in with the culture," Powell said. Horton was among four new hires from this round of testing, one of whom the department sent to the fire academy in Kilgore. "We started Blake this time of year right after the holidays so that he could come in and work with this group of guys," Powell said joking that there is a method to the madness. "He's young and excited and we like those type of guys being here," she added. The work environment at PFD is known for being upbeat and firefighters greet the people of the community with a smile and an occasional joke, and Horton fits in with the other firefighters effortlessly.

Free tax return prep now available across Texas

By JOHN MICHAELSON
 Texas News Service
 AUSTIN — An estimated \$1 billion in tax refunds go unclaimed each year, but a service statewide is helping folks get back their money — and it's all free of charge. Around 2,000 volunteers across Texas are now offering preparation of basic federal returns through the AARP Foundation Tax-Aide program. Coordinator Bart Hatfield said while there is nothing inherently fun about taxes, many filers leave happy — including a couple who saved thousands after coming in for help last year. "We were doing their taxes and our preparer noticed that she had some IRA information there. She was over 70 years old and therefore was required to take a required minimum distribution, which she had not taken, and that's a 50 percent penalty. We helped her work up an explanation to take to the IRS, and they ended up waiving the penalty," Hatfield said.

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Commissioners Court to meet Friday

STAFF REPORT
 The Gray County Commissioners Court will meet in regular session at 9 a.m. on Friday. The Commissioners will consider and take possible action on:
 • Paying bills and salaries as approved by the County Auditor.
 • The Treasurer and County Clerk's reports.
 • Treasurer's request to take credit cancellation on juror checks.
 • Sheriff's request to expend forfeiture money on video cameras, computers and entry kit.
 • Transfer of Hanger Lot 13 at Perry Lefors Airport.
 • Tax bid of \$1,000 from James and Krista Elrod for Lots 8, 9, 10 and 11, Block 6, Thut Heights, City of Lefors.
 • Amending Reinvestment Zone No. 1 to establish boundaries and to provide for an effective date. Cielo Wind Power has requested that two properties it is now leasing be added to the reinvestment zone so power lines can be established to the Lefors substation.
 • IT Committee recommendations for com-

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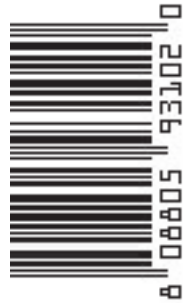
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CULTURE CONNECTION



Submitted photo

Students in Kate Devoll and Keela Garrett's ninth grade World Geography classes at PHS were treated to a presentation by their peers. Savannah Mertz, Maddie Young, Austin Young, Megan Brock, Ethan Brock, Elaine Nava, Christian Free and James Tabor showed the classes pictures and items from their trip to Peru this summer. The students compared geography, culture, religion, food and lifestyles between Pampa and the villages around Lima, Peru that they visited. Pictured with scarves and blankets made from alpaca hair, along with hand woven textiles, are, from left, Austin Young, Maddie Young, Ethan Brock and Elaine Nava.

Tax help

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The free assistance is being offered at about 300 sites in Texas including senior centers and libraries. Information on locations for those who need help, or those who want to volunteer, is online at the AARP website, www.aarp.org. The closest sites to Pampa are the Amarillo Northeast Library, 1504 NE 24th Ave., and the Amarillo Senior Citizens Center, 1220 S Polk St. There is no free tax preparation

at either the Lovett Memorial Library or the Pampa Senior Citizens' Center.

While the tax return preparation is available to all, Hatfield said, the main focus is helping older Texans and those who are low-income and thus may qualify for various deductions.

"They may be eligible because of the earned income credit, and if they have children, the additional child tax credit," Hatfield explained. "With three children and the right income, that can give them \$9,000 — even if they don't owe any taxes.

So there's significant incentives in there to help low-income people, and if they don't know about it and don't file their taxes the correct way, then they don't get those incentives."

Last year alone, around 160,000 Texans received help through the AARP Foundation Tax-Aide program. Their refunds combined totaled more than \$100 million.

Tax-Aide information is available at the AARP website, www.aarp.org.

Pampa News editor Timothy P. Howsare contributed to this story.

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Weather

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is the school district's first severe weather expo.

She said the idea for a weather expo was in response to the obvious concern that local parents had for the safety of their children after the devastating tornadoes in Oklahoma in spring 2013.

"A tornado watch was issued for Gray County, and although there wasn't a cloud in the sky, numerous students were signed out of our elementary schools here in Pampa," she said. "Pampa ISD parents were upset and afraid, as this was shortly after the Moore

tornado."

Scotten conducts storm spotter training in Amarillo and throughout the Panhandle. She is teaching another class in Pampa from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. on March 27 on the third floor of Pampa City Hall.

A storm spotter is not the same thing as a storm chaser — if you decide to take the class you will not be encouraged to chase after violent tornadoes in a pickup truck like in the movie "Twister." Rather, storm spotters are everyday citizens expertly trained to spot big storms and weather developments and then pass that information along to the weather service or local emergency personnel.

The classes run about

an hour and a half to two hours.

The basics of storm spotter training include: the basics of thunderstorm development, fundamentals of storm structure, identifying potential severe weather features, what information to report and how to report that information and the basics of severe weather safety.

For a complete schedule of storm spotter classes in the Panhandle, visit www.srh.noaa.gov/ama/?n=spottertalks. Most classes are free and open to the public but a few are limited to TxDOT employees.

For more information about the expo, call PISD Family Involvement at 806-66-3426.

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puter usage policy.

- Transferring vehicle to City of Lefors for City Marshal.

- Recognize Constable Precinct 2 for continuing

education.

- Recognize Treasurer's continuing education.

A public hearing will be held at 10 a.m. to consider amending Reinvestment Zone No. 1 to establish the boundaries and to provide for an effective date.

The County Commissioners Court reserves the right to

retire into executive session on items listed on the regular meeting agenda, whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Law.

The Commissioners Court meets in the second floor court room of the Gray County Courthouse, 205 N. Russell St.

IRS loses appeal on new rules for tax preparers

McLEAN, Va. (AP) — The IRS on Tuesday lost a federal appeal in a legal battle over its effort to institute competency exams and other new regulations for as many as 700,000 paid tax preparers.

A three-judge panel of the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia unanimously upheld a lower court's ruling last year that the IRS lacked authority to impose the new rules without congressional authorization.

The regulations were challenged by the Institute for Justice in Arlington, Va., a libertarian legal group that has filed a va-

riety of lawsuits challenging occupational licensing laws. It argued that the proposed regulations for tax preparers were onerous and would have put thousands of mom-and-pop tax preparers out of business.

Dan Alban, a lawyer for the institute who argued the case in front of the D.C. circuit, called the ruling "a clear win both for tax preparers and taxpayers" and said it could have broad implications for federal agencies that attempt to issue regulations without a mandate from Congress.

"Congress never gave the IRS the power to license tax preparers, and

the IRS cannot give itself that authority," Alban said.

The IRS has said the rules are needed to weed out ill-trained and incompetent tax preparers. It said it had the authority to impose the regulations under an 1884 law passed to help Civil War soldiers seeking compensation for dead horses.

That law authorizes the IRS to "regulate the practice of representatives of persons before the Department of the Treasury" but the appellate judges said it should not be stretched to give the IRS regulatory dominion over tax preparers.

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Thursday: Mostly sunny with a high of 61. Winds west-northwest at 10 mph. Sunrise at 7:33 a.m.

Thursday night: Mostly clear with a low of 34. Winds north-northeast at 6 mph. Sunset at 6:24 p.m.

Friday: Partly cloudy with a high of 57. Winds west at 11 mph. Sunrise at 7:32 a.m.

Friday night: Clear with a low of 36. Winds southwest at 11 mph. Sunset at 6:25 p.m.

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Obituaries

Lesta Sloan

Lesta Sloan, 92, died Monday, Feb. 10, 2014 in Pampa. Services will be at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, 2014, at Memory Gardens Mausoleum with the Rev. Rick Parnell, associate pastor of Central Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Memory Gardens Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.



Lesta Sloan

Mrs. Sloan was born Nov. 28, 1921 in Alluwe, Okla., where she attended schools and graduated from high school in 1937. After graduation, she briefly lived in Nowata, Okla. In the early 1950s, she moved to the Texas Panhandle where she met H.A. Sloan. They married on Dec. 30, 1957 in Clovis, N.M. She worked at Mathis Furniture for several years. Lesta was a member of Central Baptist Church since 1972. She will be remembered as a very caring individual who loved and cared for her grandchildren as if they were her own children.

Survivors include her husband Holland (H.A.) Sloan of the home; a son, Donald Dick and wife Mary of Maynard, Arkansas; six grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, and nine great-great grandchildren. Lesta was preceded in death by two daughters, Sue White and Earline Baston, three grandchildren, Diane Crawford, Harold Baston, and Earl Dean Richardson, and by a brother and a sister.

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

Clifford Stephen Rose

Clifford Stephen Rose, 48, died Saturday, Feb. 8, 2014, in Pampa.



Clifford Rose

Memorial services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 13, 2014 in Carmichael-Whatley Colonial Chapel, with Pastor Kyle Ohsfeldt of Grace Baptist Church officiating. Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Rose was born Dec. 7, 1965 in Minneapolis, Minn. His family moved to Atlanta when he was a young child, and he attended Roosevelt High School there. He later moved to Amarillo and then Pampa when he was a young adult. Clifford was a commercial truck driver who worked for Wasteco, among other companies. He enjoyed smoking food and was known to have the best smoked ribs in the world.

Survivors include a son, Ronnie Rose and wife Gwen of Kersey, Colo.; two daughters, Cristie Eskew and husband Jason of Warner Robins, Ga., and Kelly Rose of Riverdale, Ga.; two stepchildren, Kevin Terry of Kersey, Col. and Destiny Terry of Pampa; two sisters, Ronda Fisher and husband Jerome of Federal Way, Wash. and Robin Rose; two brothers, Harold Anderson and wife Julie of Federal Way, Wash., and Mike McGuire; and 11 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents.

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

For the record

Oregon woman arrested for public intoxication

• Emma Godinez, 38, Independence, Ore., was arrested Monday by the Gray County Sheriff's Office for public intoxication.

Pampa, was arrested Monday by the Lefors Marshal for theft of property between \$1,500 and \$20,000.

• Juan Godinez, 38, Mesa, Ariz., was arrested Monday

by GCSO for class C assault — offensive touching.

• Thomas Parks, 29, Pampa, was arrested Monday by GCSO for three Pampa municipal violations.

• Christy Meyer, 27, Pampa, was arrested Monday by the Pampa Police Department for assault with intent to cause bodily injury to a family member.

Republicans set stage for raising debt limit

WASHINGTON (AP) — Unwilling to risk spooking the markets, and leading a fractured GOP majority, House Speaker John Boehner on Tuesday stepped back from a confrontation with Democrats to let Congress vote on increasing the government's borrowing cap without trying to extract any concessions from the White House.

The move risks more displeasure from the tea party but came after most Republicans in the House made clear they had no taste for another high-stakes

fight with President Barack Obama over the nation's debt ceiling, which must be raised so the government can borrow money to pay all of its bills.

A vote was scheduled for Tuesday evening, with Democrats lined up to provide the bulk of support to pass the measure; the Senate was expected to pass the bill and send it to Obama by the end of the week.

The vote comes four months after Washington diffused a government shutdown and debt crisis that burned Republicans politically — an experience they did not want to repeat.

Tuesday's developments, which many Capitol Hill insiders saw coming, marks a major reversal of the GOP's strategy of trying to use the debt limit to force spending cuts or other concessions on Obama. The president yielded to such demands in 2011 — before his re-election — but has since boxed in Republicans by refusing

to negotiate.

Boehner, R-Ohio, made the announcement after conservatives failed to rally around his latest plan, floated Monday, to tie lifting the debt ceiling to a measure to reverse cuts to military pensions that were enacted less than two months ago. Earlier plans to tie a debt cap increase to approval of the Keystone XL pipeline or repeal of part of the new health care law failed as well, stymied by a group of hard line conservatives who vowed never to vote for increasing the government's debt, which stands at more than \$17 trillion.

The measure does not raise the debt limit by a set amount but would suspend it through March 15 of next year to allow Treasury to borrow the money it needs to pay bills like Social Security benefits, payments on government debt, and checks for federal workers.

The move reflects a return to the old ways of han-

dling the politically tricky debt ceiling vote in which the president's party is expected to carry most of the load to pass it.

"We'll let the Democrats put the votes up," the speaker said. "We'll put a minimum number of (GOP) votes up to get it passed."

"That's how it's supposed to work," said Vice President Joe Biden at the Capitol after swearing in the newest senator, John Walsh, D-Mont.

Boehner said his inability to assemble 218 GOP votes — enough to win a floor vote — for any debt limit plan left him no alternative but to turn to Democrats.

"When you don't have 218 votes, you have nothing," Boehner said. "We've seen that before and we see it again." He said House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., promised him sweeping Democratic support in the vote. More than 180 Democrats have signed a letter pledging to vote for a clean increase in the debt cap.

The White House applauded the move. Gene Sperling, director of the White House's National Economic Council, said the administration hopes Tuesday's development means "that the tactic of threatening default or threatening the full faith and credit of the United States for budget debates is over."

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Museum Musings

A story of Valentine's Days past

Saint Valentine, who lived in the late 3rd century A.D., was a Christian martyr killed during the reign of Emperor Claudius. He has always been considered the patron saint of lovers, but the custom of sending valentines on his feast day (Feb. 14) is not connected to the saint.

The ancient Romans hosted a festival (Lupercalia) that was at the same time as Saint Valentine's feast day. For this festival, that honored a pastoral god, the Romans sent anonymously missives that were sentimental or ludicrous. In the late Middle Ages, there was a belief that birds began to mate on February 14. This notion probably suggested that lovers should exchange messages and gifts that day.

At one time it was the custom for young people to meet the night before Saint Valentine's Day. Each person drew a name of the opposite sex from a number of names. Each gentleman got a lady for his valentine and he became the valentine of a lady. The gentlemen remained bound to the services of their valentines for a year.

After postal systems were organized, the practice of mailing homemade valentine messages became

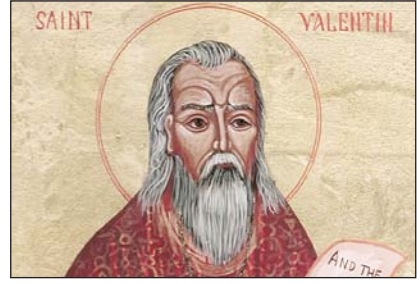
common. The greeting card industry in the United States now prints millions of valentines each year. Present day valentines are associated with lace-trimmed red hearts, flowers and chocolate, but the White Deer Land Museum has on display a valentine which shows none of these objects. It is the valentine that Phillip Claude Ledrick had made for Fannie May White in 1896.

Claude Ledrick and his brother, Lee Ledrick, were the sons of Henry Ledrick and Amanda Jane "Jenny" (Lard) Ledrick. The family came from Young County to Roberts County in 1886 and established the Ledrick Ranch on a league of school land located on Chicken Creek. (State Highway 70 runs through the Ledrick Ranch.) Although many Indians still roamed the country at that time, the Ledricks got along with them. Fannie White, daughter of Isaac White and Elizabeth Doherty White, was born in 1878 near Abilene, Kan. The Isaac White family came to Roberts County in 1888 and settled on Wolf Creek. Claude Ledrick and Fannie White were married in 1901. For several years they lived on the Ledrick Ranch, but in 1907 they moved to Pampa and built a home at 421 East Kingsmill. They had no children. Claude continued to ranch, but both he and his brother, Lee, took part in Pampa's growth

and became directors of Gray County State Bank. Claude (P.C.) Ledrick was on the school board when the tan brick school building was constructed at 126 West Francis. Mrs. P. C. Ledrick was a charter member of El Progreso, a study club organized in 1923. Claude Ledrick died in 1943 and Fannie White Ledrick died in 1959.

If you would like to see the 1896 Valentine, visit the White Deer Land Museum. It is homemade and very unique. A drastic difference to today's valentines.

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.



Submitted photo
Pictured is a portrait of Saint Valentine, who was killed during the reign of Emperor Claudius.

High school confidential

As my savvy precinct committeewoman used to say, "A month is a lifetime in politics, and six months is an eternity." On Jan. 9, the Quinnipiac Poll stated: "New Jersey Gov. Christopher

Christie is the hottest politician in the country." Democrats were openly nervous the Republican Party might have an unexpected attack of pragmatism and actually nominate Christie in 2016. Less than a month later, after Christie's office was revealed to have been directly involved in a scandal that had for days deliberately tied up commuter traffic on the George Washington Bridge, the CNN-ORC national poll, which, in December, had shown Christie leading Democrat Hillary Clinton 48 percent to 46 percent, now indicated that Clinton would crush Christie, 55 percent to 39 percent.

And all these polls were taken before we got a full, if unwelcome, look at what I can only call the "unappealing smallness" of Christie. In his marathon two-hour press conference in the second week of January when he testified that he had neither involvement in nor knowledge of his appointees closing the bridge, Christie went back 30 years to distance himself from his man at the Port Authority, David Wildstein, who had been a year ahead of him at Livingston (N.J.) High School and who received, and allegedly executed, the order from the governor's office to snarl bridge traffic:

"David and I were not friends in high school. We were not even acquaintances in high school ... We didn't travel in the same circles in high school. You know, I was the class president and athlete. I don't know what David was doing during that period of time." These are the words of a small man who brags, I was the popular jock who had an assigned seat of honor at the exclusive cool guys table in the school cafeteria while David was

nowhere to be seen, let alone included. But that was gentle treatment compared to what the governor's office unloaded on Feb. 1 after Wildstein's attorney wrote that there existed evidence, contrary to what the governor had unequivocally asserted, that Christie knew about the bridge lane closings. Proving he and his team were totally unready for the prime-time pressures of a national campaign, Christie charged in an email to supporters, which was made public, that "as a 16-year-old kid, (Wildstein) sued over a local school board election" and that "he was publicly accused by his high school social studies teacher of deceptive behavior." What? No charges that Wildstein failed to use the revolving door or, in defiance of federal law, tore the tag off his mattress, or chewed gum during the national anthem? Christie managed to "raise" pettiness to a new low!

Remember this is the same Wildstein Christie appointed to a \$150,000 a year position on the powerful Port Authority, where he was called the governor's "eyes" and "ears," and defended by the governor's press secretary against criticism that he had alienated some colleagues at the Port Authority.

High school is where it all began. Because they happened to be quarterbacks or student council officers or homecoming queens, or because adults told them they were special, individuals of very ordinary talents burst with self-confidence, totally unconnected to their actual achievements or abilities, and went through life receiving recognition they haven't earned. And how many people of genuine talent do you know who, prisoners in the shadow of their own self-doubt, fearing the risk of rejection they learned so painfully in high school, never scale any heights? Maybe this time, having been king of the cool guys table will not be enough.

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MARK SHIELDS



Hump Day with Humphrey

And so began Humphrey's love affair with water

Well, it's that time of the week again, and I've been racking my brain since last Tuesday trying to figure out what to write about Humphrey for this week's column. He has so many weird quirks that it's tough to decide.

Strange as he is, I love my Humphrey, and it's those quirks that make him even more adorable to me, although some people like to joke that only a mother could love some of the things he does.

Moving on, I think today I'd like to dive into Humphrey's obsession with water. He has not been outside in the rain yet, nor has he been swimming, but I'm pretty sure he would love either scenario. I'm not sure English bulldogs can swim since they're so top heavy, and Humphrey absolutely hates the bath, so maybe a pool wouldn't work out so great. He would probably just stand by the edge and try to drink the water anyway.

If there was a doggy Olympic sport for drinking water, Humphrey

would be a gold medalist. His water consumption was a huge issue when I first got him since he was not house trained, but since he's gotten older and learned about bladder control, it hasn't been as much of a problem.

When he was a smaller puppy (he now weighs over 40 pounds) whenever he would eat or drink, he would blow up like a balloon. He would drink so much water that I was legitimately afraid he might pop. When I would grow so concerned that I picked up his water bowl, he got smart enough to go to the sliding glass door and lick the condensation off, which I couldn't believe (at this point he was only about a month and a half old). As he has grown into his appetite, he no longer expands like a balloon after eating and drinking, but his love of water has not shrunk, though I've begun to monitor his intake.

My concern for Humphrey's love of water in the beginning was enough for me to mention at the vet, but she assured me that it was normal (Dr. Baltodano has a French bulldog, so our dogs have a lot of similarities) and that a lot of bulldogs drink a lot of water because their mouth dries out from breathing

through it so much and things like that.

With my new found comfort in knowing that he wasn't diabetic, yes, I jumped to that conclusion, I have slowly but surely gotten used to hearing Humphrey slurp away at his water bowl not taking a breath until it's empty. He also runs over to the sink and whines every time I turn on the faucet, even if he already has water.

It's his obsession with water that led me to believe that he would be one of those awesome dogs that isn't fussy in the bath and loves the snow. Boy, was I wrong about both of these.

I have tried everything with Humphrey in the bathtub, and now he's big enough to jump out and make a huge mess, so now I have to be prepared for his attempted escapes. After the last time, I have just about given up on having a clean dog (not really, but I will forever dread the task of bathing him).

Now, onto the topic of Humphrey and the snow. His first snow was right before Thanksgiving, and I was so excited to take him outside in it. That was when he was only about 15 pounds and made me carry him up and down the stairs

to go outside (a topic I will probably expand on next week). I rushed to take Humphrey out while it was still snowing and beginning to blanket on the ground, but he wanted no part of it. He just froze and looked at me as if to ask if I seriously expected him to be outside in it.

It wasn't until the snow began to melt and he could see the grass again that he decided to try it out again. He sniffed the snow first then he decided to taste it. It was then that he discovered that snow is water, and ever since then he loves the snow. The next time it snowed and I took him outside, he leaped at the falling snow trying to catch the flakes in his mouth. Now, if only it was that easy to get him to like baths...

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Photo by Kyle Boaz
Humphrey is Lindsey's 5-month-old English bulldog.

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Winter storm wallops the South; 4 killed in Texas

ATLANTA (AP) — In a dire warning Tuesday, forecasters said a potentially “catastrophic” winter storm threatened to bring a thick layer of ice to Georgia and other parts of the South, causing widespread power outages that could leave people in the dark for days.

Many people heeded the advice to stay home and off the roads, leaving much of metro Atlanta desolate during what is typically a busy morning commute. While only rain fell in the city, places 40 miles northwest saw 2 to 3 inches of snow. The rain was expected to turn to sleet and freezing rain and the ice coating was forecast for Wednesday.

When asked to elaborate on the “catastrophic” warning, Brian Hoeth, a meteorologist at the service’s southern regional headquarters in Fort Worth, Texas, said forecasters were talking about an ice storm that happens only once every 10 to 20 years for the area. Forecasters predicted crippling snow and ice accumulations of as much as three-quarters of an inch in an area from Atlanta to central South Carolina. Wind gusts up to 30 mph could exacerbate problems.

Aaron Strickland, emergency operations director for Georgia Power, said the utility is bringing in crews from Florida, Texas, Oklahoma and Michigan. Strickland, who has spent 35 years with Georgia Power, said he’s never seen an inch of ice in metro Atlanta.

“I’ve seen people forecast it, but it’s never come,”

Strickland said. “And I’m hoping it don’t this time.”

President Barack Obama declared an emergency in Georgia, ordering federal agencies to help with the state and local response.

The quiet streets were a stark contrast to the scene just two weeks earlier when downtown roads were jammed with cars, drivers slept overnight in vehicles or abandoned them on highways. Students camped in school gymnasiums.

“It looks like this time it’s not going to be bad until everyone’s home,” said Dustin Wilkes, 36, of Atlanta, who was one of the few people headed to the office.

Atlanta has a painful past of being ill-equipped to deal with snowy weather. Despite officials’ promises after a crippling ice storm in 2011, the Jan. 28 storm proved they still had many kinks to work out.

Georgia Gov. Nathan Deal indicated Monday that he and other state officials had learned their lesson. Before a drop of freezing rain or snow fell, Deal declared a state of emergency for nearly a third of the state and state employees were told they could stay home. He expanded the declaration Tuesday to more than half the state’s counties.

Schools canceled classes, and Deal urged people who didn’t need to be anywhere to stay off the roads. Tractor-trailer drivers were handed fliers about the weather and a law requiring chains on tires in certain conditions.

“We are certainly ahead of the game this time, and

that’s important,” Deal said. “We are trying to be ready, prepared and react as quickly as possible.”

Tony Hardy said he was trying to get out of the incoming weather. He lives at a homeless shelter and said he fell three times on ice during the last storm. This time, he said he planned to shelter in his sister’s house. “It’s going to last for a couple of days,” he said.

The storm is as far west as Texas. In North Texas, at least four people died in traffic accidents on icy roads, including a Dallas firefighter who was knocked from an Interstate 20 ramp.

Firefighter William Scott Tanksley died Monday night after being struck by a vehicle and falling more than 50 feet, according to a police report.

In northeastern Alabama, slick roads were also causing wrecks. Michelle Owen, of Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., was driving north on Interstate 65 near Cullman, Ala., when she hit an icy patch on a bridge. Her sport-utility vehicle and a trailer it was pulling fish-tailed, sending her 18-year-old son Tyler through the rear window and on to the car that was atop the trailer.

“He wound up on top of the Mustang we were hauling,” Owen said. He suffered only minor injuries.

Northeast Mississippi expected as much as 4 inches of snow and South Carolina, which hasn’t seen a major ice storm in nearly a decade, could get a quarter to three-quarters of an inch of ice and as much as 8 inches of snow in some areas.

DPS seizes more than 100 pounds of pot

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a 2013 Volkswagen Passat traveling eastbound on I-40, for a traffic violation, near Bushland in Potter County.

The occupants of the Passat were identified as Vianca Lizeth Casas, 22, of Livingston, Calif. and Carlos Castrejon, 28, of Winton, Calif. During the traffic stop, the trooper discovered

107 bundles of marijuana in the trunk of the vehicle.

Casas and Castrejon were placed under arrest for possession of a controlled substance, a second-degree felony, and booked into the Potter County Jail. The illegal drugs were allegedly being transported from Livingston, Calif., to Dallas.

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Pampa Faith

The day I spanked Shari

This story is going to be a pretty short one. Why? Because neither Shari nor I can remember much about the day. It was 1966 and we were sophomores at Pampa High School. She and I shared a class, but I hadn't really paid much attention to her. But by the day in question I had finally noticed Shari. We humans surely are strange creatures once we NOTICE each other, huh.

It was lunch time and the weather was nice. Shari and I were outside on the southeast steps of PHS. Someone else was with us too, but I can't remember who and neither can Shari. I just remember that Shari and I were talking and flirting and flirting and flirting. She was trying to impress me and I was following suit. I think she was being much more successful than I was. But that's when IT happened.

For some reason Shari took one of my books and toyed with not giving it back to me. Of course, when she said that, I had to be manly and say, "That's what you think. You better give that book back to me." And along with the deep voice I tried to look all serious. But when you are flirting, looking serious has pretty much flow the coop.

So Shari replied, "Just what are you going to do about it if I don't?"

UH OH. I didn't think she would actually call my bluff. When you haven't thought a situation through, coming up with a quick, witty reply isn't all that easy. And when you add to that being an adolescent male (couldn't keep my mind off of how pretty and shapely Shari was), having an appropriate, mannerly reply is just about impossible. So I racked my brain and the best response I could come up with came right out of one of my

favorite John Wayne movies.

I loved John Wayne and wanted to be just like him. He always got the girl and he always knew exactly what to say and do. Of course, that was pretty easy when it was all written down in a movie script. So I zipped through my movie file of the Duke until it stopped on McKlinton. If you've already seen that movie, I'll bet you know what happened next.

I daringly looked at Shari and boldly stated, "If you don't give my book back to me, I'm going to paddle you." Shari was both flattered and insulted all at the same time. "You wouldn't dare." UH OH, time to put up or shut up.

So I grabbed Shari (carefully so as not to hurt her), put her over my knee, removed my book from her hands and then just like John Wayne paddled Maureen O'Hara I did my best imitation of the Duke right there on the steps of PHS. I'd give just about anything now for a video of that day. There we were, me softly paddling Shari with my book and her squealing like it was a painful experience.

I don't exactly remember how that all ended that day. I do know that I never forgot her after that paddling and now it is just one of our stories that helps fill our 43 year married storybook. I can safely say that I haven't been able to get her out of my head for a single day since that day in 1966. And every time I drive by PHS on that south side, I have to grin a little.

I love ya, babe. Thanks for putting up with me that day and all of those days since. And if you ever need a loving paddling to remind you of how much I am still twitterpated with you, just let me know and we can drive down to the high school and do a reenactment. LOL

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CHURCH SPOTLIGHT

Happy Valentine's Day

Every Feb. 14, across the United States, candy, flowers, and gifts are given to loved ones, all in the name of St. Valentine. Who is this saint? One record



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tells us that Valentine was a priest who served during the third century in Rome. It seems that Emperor Claudius II decided single men made better soldiers than those with wives and families, therefore he outlawed marriage for young men of military age.

Valentine, believing the sacredness of marriage, defied Claudius and continued to marry young lovers. When Claudius discovered Valentine's actions, he ordered him put to death. Valentine's greetings were popular as far back as the Middle Ages, but it was not until 1400 that written Valentines appeared. The oldest known Valentine was a poem written in 1415 by Charles, Duke of Orleans to his wife while he was imprisoned in the Tower of London. It is part of the British Library collection in London, England today. By 1690, printed cards began to replace written letters due to improved printing capabil-

ity. Americans began exchanging Valentine's in the early 1700s. In the 1840s Esther Howland began selling mass-produced Valentine cards in America. She is known as the "Mother of the Valentine." According to the Greeting Card Association, one billion Valentine cards are sent each year. This makes Valentine's Day the second largest card-sending holiday. The largest day is Christmas, when an estimated 2.6 billion cards are sent out to celebrate the birth of God's Son, Jesus Christ.

This is the great love gift of all times. The Bible says, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). And only the love of God gives us hope in the face of disappointment and despair. God desires to give you His gift of love. God loves you, always has loved you, and always will love you. But this is a gift that must be received.

As you think of Valentine's Day, think of God's love and gift to you.

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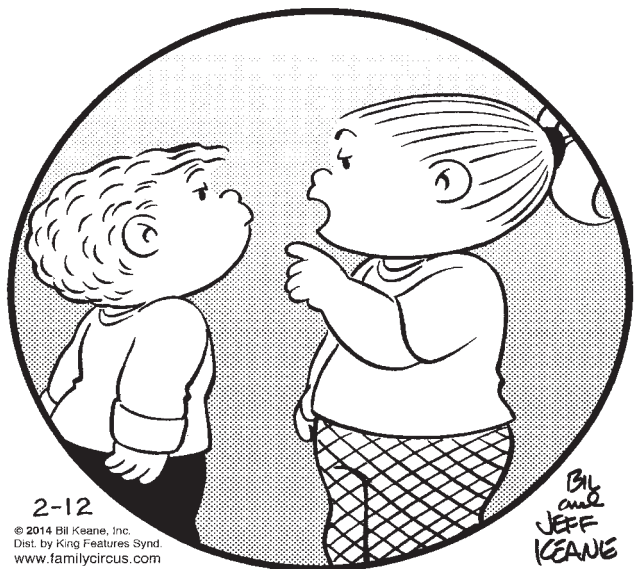
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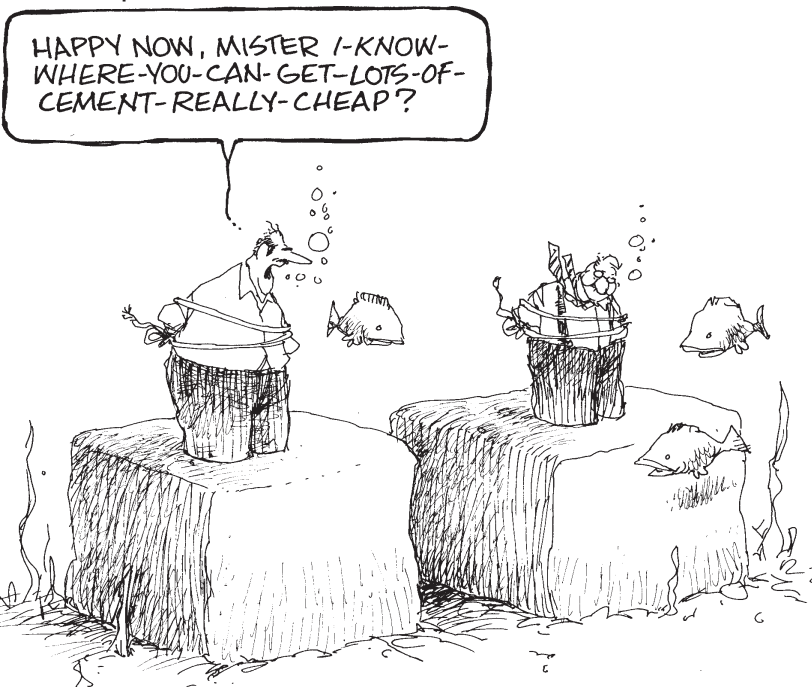


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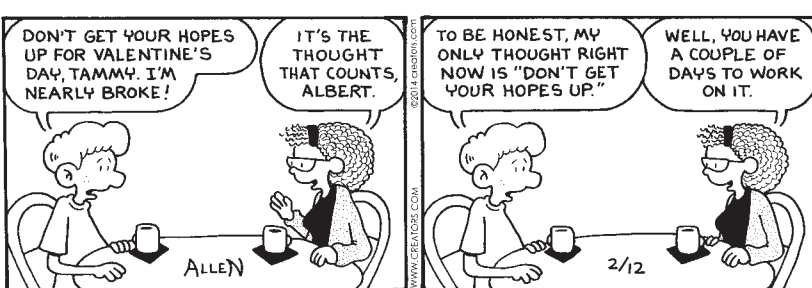
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Nest Heads



daily horoscope

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Feb. 13, 2014:

This year you head in a new direction. In a sense, you become slightly less independent than you have been in the past. Actually, your sense of self is so strong that you don't need to worry about this issue. You tend to be oversensitive. If you are single, you could meet someone special sometime after June. You also could discover that you have more than one potential suitor. If you are attached, you often give in to your sweetie's demands because it is easier that way. The summer could heat up your interactions. Enjoy this period. LEO is romantic.

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

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ You could be unusually verbal and creative. You might wonder how you can stop a problem before it evolves. At the same time, you would like to have the other involved parties understand why it was a mistake. Tonight: Get into weekend mode.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★ If you can work from home, do. Understand that you can be more reflective in a comfortable environment, as you will be somewhat distant from the issues at hand. You might be seeing a transformation of a key person in front of your eyes. Tonight: Make it easy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ You might want to see a situation in a different light. How you see a personal matter could change, given some time and space. Your playfulness emerges when dealing with a co-worker. A partner or associate will favor you in an issue. Tonight: Out and about.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ You could be more touchy and difficult than you realize. You might be making major adjustments for others, and probably feel as though you need others to be considerate of you. A loved one will look at you favorably. Tonight: Buy a new item for your wardrobe.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Your beam, and someone responds. Your ability to get past a problem allows you to have a good time, no matter what situation you are in. A co-worker allows you to see how much you are cared about. Make time for a hobby that you really enjoy. Tonight: The world is your oyster.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★ Your creativity abounds when dealing with a partner, friend or associate. You could feel uncomfortable with a loved one, as you might not feel the same way around him or her. You express a different type of energy with this person. Just be yourself. Tonight: Not to be found.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Even making hardly any effort, you still will draw excellent results. All you have to do is be present. You have the ability to deal with the unexpected with considerable ease. In fact, people who tend to be unpredictable often amuse you. Tonight: Where the gang is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Take a stand, and make sure that others are hearing you loud and clear. You might need to adapt your communication style in order for someone to really hear the message. Sugar works better than vinegar when trying to win someone over. Tonight: Paint the town red.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ A loved one will do the unexpected. Your finances could point to a need for change in the choices you are making. Use your imagination, but avoid taking a risk at any cost. You will enjoy for a long time an item that you purchase right now. Tonight: Relax to some good music.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ Take a break from handling your responsibilities as well as someone else's. In the long run, you are not doing this person any favors, but you still will feel obligated to help out. Understand that you don't need to do everything for this person. Tonight: Opt for togetherness.

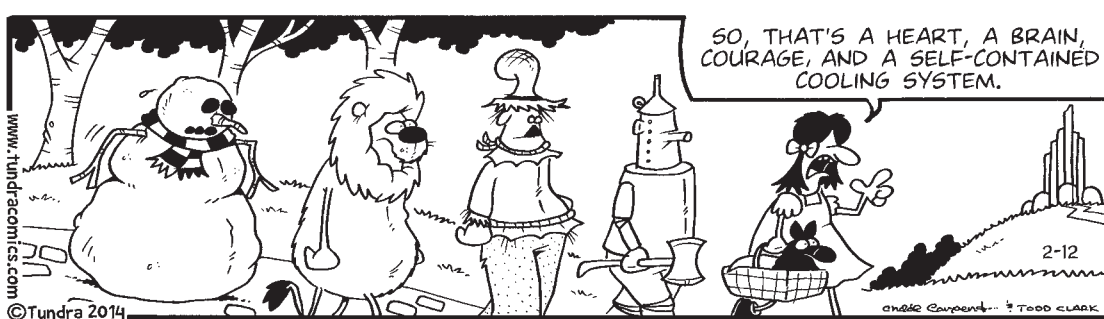
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Defer to a loved one who cares a lot about you. In fact, you might find that many special people surround you at the present moment. You could be oversensitive to a comment or a lack of response from someone. Make a point to relax. Tonight: Sort through your many offers.

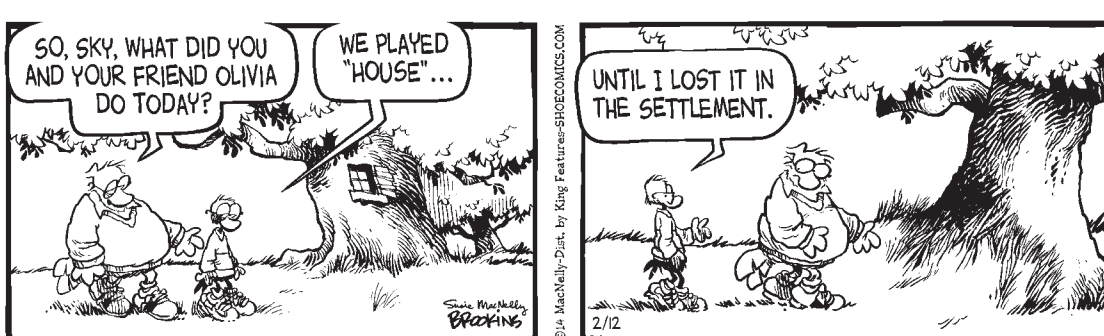
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Don't hesitate to let others know your limitations, especially as they seem to dump a lot of work on you. An unexpected development involving your finances initially might concern you, but later you will see the situation in other terms. Tonight: Get some exercise.

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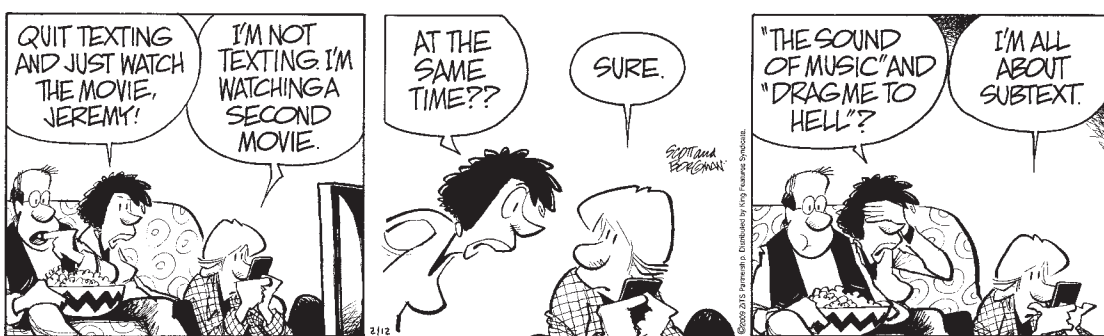
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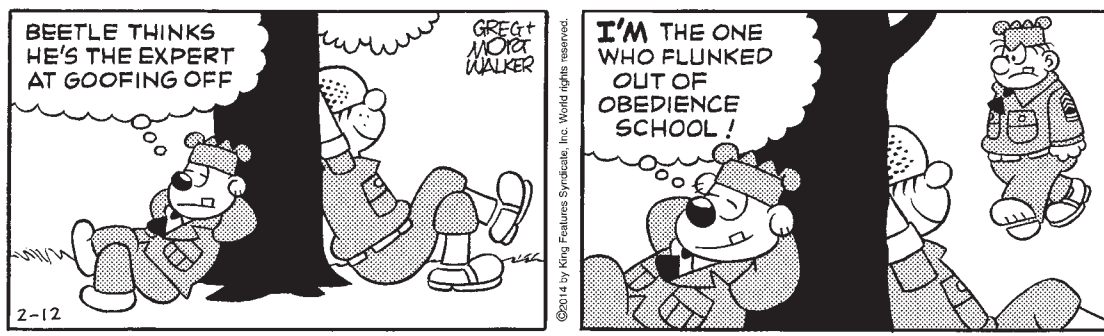
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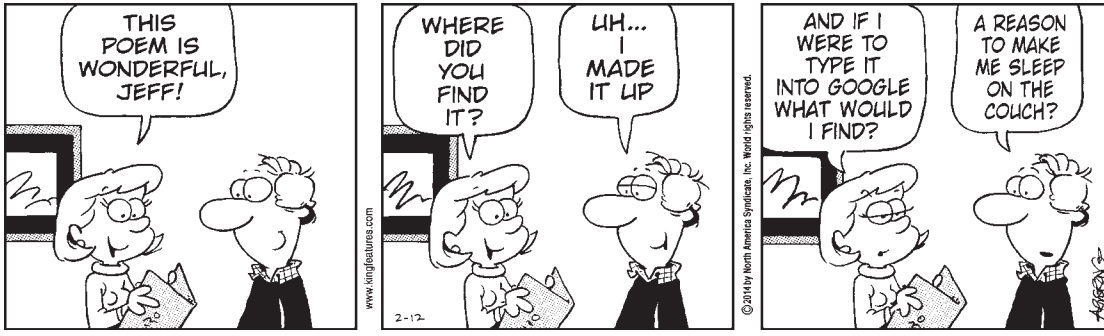
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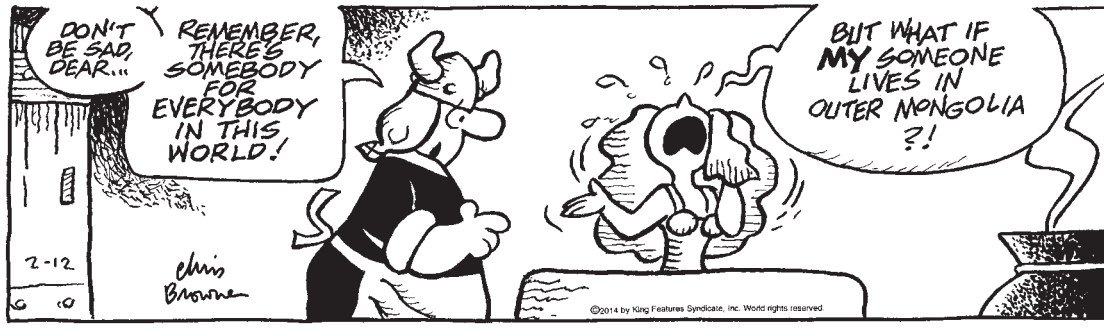
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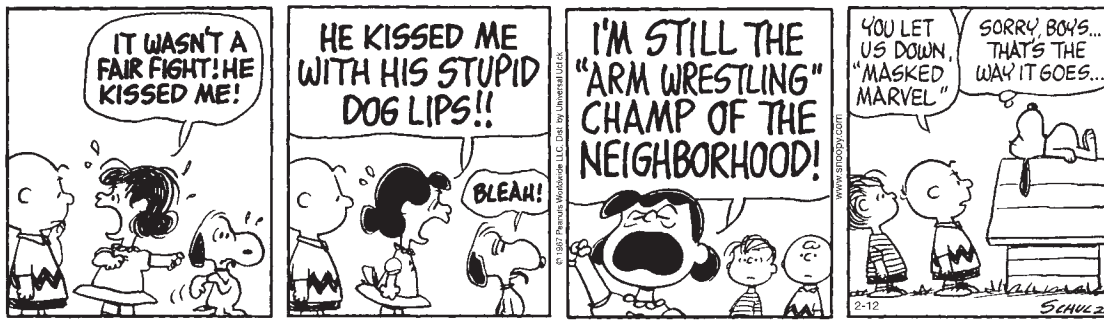
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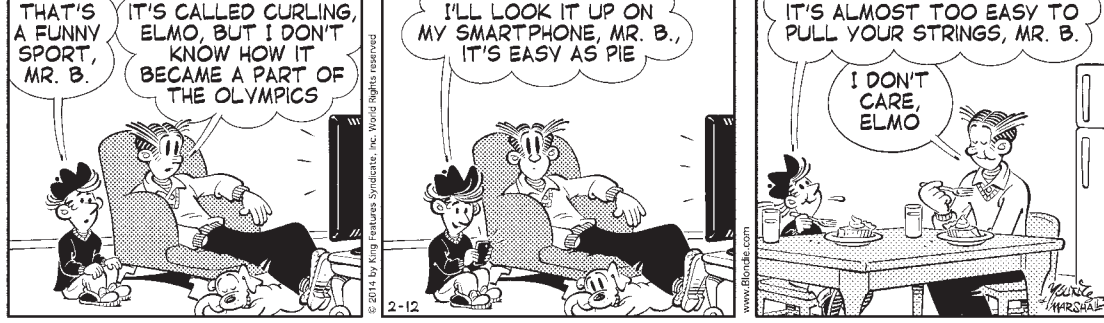
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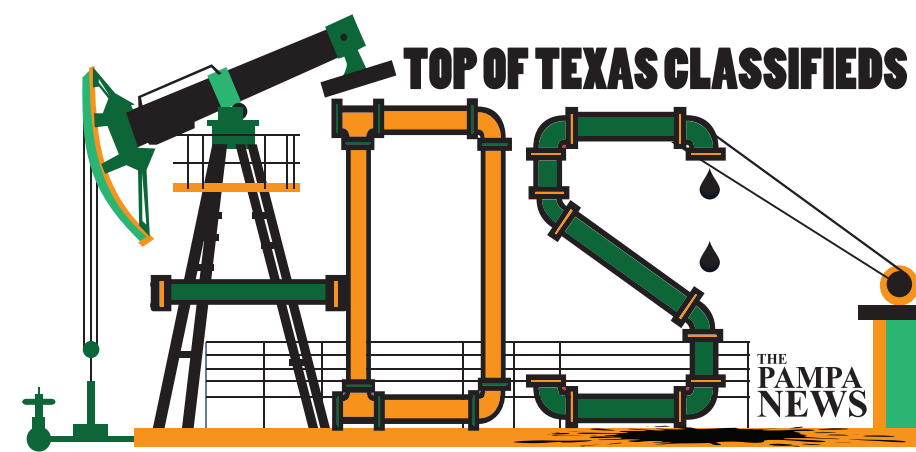


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Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: Last August my husband and I allowed our son's 17-year-old girlfriend, "Lindsay," to move into our home from out of state because she needs to live here for a year to establish residency for school. She's a wonderful girl, mature, social and helpful.

My problem is my other sons (ages 18 and 14) are very angry that we have allowed a "stranger" to move in. My 18-year-old is a college student who lives on campus an hour away, but comes home on weekends. He and his younger brother feel I show favoritism to Lindsay and make frequent comments about the non-family member. They worry that I'm spending money on her even though they know her mom sends her money.

I'll admit it has been nice to have a girl around. My boys sleep half the day away on weekends, but she gets up and is happy to run errands with me. I still include my sons in many activities without Lindsay, as I always have, and I did not anticipate this hostility. I feel bad for her because they make little attempt to hide it. My son loves his girlfriend, and I want her to feel comfortable and welcome without alienating my other sons. Help! — MOM OF THREE SONS

DEAR MOM: You and your husband are the parents, which means you are supposed to be running this "asylum" — not the inmates. The decision about who should or should not be a guest in your home is not up to your jealous older and

younger boys, who appear to be suffering from a form of "sibling" rivalry.

As a guest in your home, Lindsay should be treated with respect, and it's not happening. You should insist upon it, and if your wishes are not complied with, there should be consequences.

DEAR ABBY: My husband of five years has three children from previous marriages. Earlier this year he learned some disturbing information about his youngest child. He opted not to share the information with me so as not to violate her privacy. I found out about it a few weeks ago, and I am deeply hurt that I was excluded.

I feel I have never been included as a true part of the family, and this is just another example. He feels his explanation justifies his actions and that should be the end of it. I am concerned that he will keep other things from me he feels are none of my business in the future. I am not at all comfortable with this situation. Do you think I am overreacting? — STEPMONSTER IN THE SOUTH

DEAR STEPMONSTER: Yes, I do. Your husband decided not to discuss something with you that he felt would violate his daughter's privacy. Much as you might like to, you can't push your way into being accepted. If relationships are going to happen, they must evolve naturally. So calm down and stop personalizing this. It isn't a threat to your marriage unless you make it so.

DEAR ABBY: In this day and age, with computers and the ability to backspace, cut, paste and delete so easily, why do you still use a P.S.? Seems to me that P.S. needs to be used only with handwritten letters. — CANDICE IN PHOENIX

DEAR CANDICE: Mmmm ... not so fast. The majority of my readers communicate with me via the Internet, as you did. They use P.S. to indicate that what they are saying is an afterthought and so do I in some of my responses.

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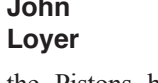
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Pampa swimming at regionals

SUBMITTED
The Pampa Harvesters competed at their regional tournament this past weekend. Here is how the teams fared:
In the women's 200-yard medley relay, Pampa finished 13th with the team of Alexis Stuart, Jenna Bonner, Breezie Keeling and Cindy Schepp punching in a time of 2 minutes 24.65 seconds.
In the men's 200-yard freestyle relay, Pampa finished 14th with the team of Gerrek Watson, Micheal Foreman, Estaban Alonzo and Jonah Munsell completing with a time of 1:47.02.
In the men's 400-yard relay, Pampa finished 13th. The team of Alonzo, Watson, Foreman and Nolan Price completed the relay in 4:09.19.
As a team, Pampa's women scored 24 points to finish 14th. The men scored 15 points to finish 15th.

Monday: Pistons beat Spurs 109-100 in Loyer's debut

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. (AP) — With interim coach John Loyer hoarsely shouting instructions, Brandon Jennings and the Detroit Pistons ran away from the San Antonio Spurs in the third quarter.
Jennings finished with 21 points, and the Pistons beat San Antonio 109-100 on Monday night in Loyer's first game at the helm.



John Loyer

Detroit abruptly fired Maurice Cheeks on Sunday after only 50 games as coach, but although they've been unimpressive for the most part this season, the Pistons have played better lately. The comfortable win over the Spurs was Detroit's fifth in seven games.
"I told them it was going to be an emotional day," Loyer said. "I told them I thought we can play, collectively, for longer periods of time better than we have."
Rodney Stuckey scored 20 points for the Pistons,

and Greg Monroe added 15 points and 10 rebounds.
Marco Belinelli led the Spurs with 20 points.
Detroit pulled even with Charlotte for the final play-off spot in the Eastern Conference, and the Pistons have shown flashes recently of the potential they thought they'd have this season. After signing Josh Smith and trading for Jennings in the offseason, Detroit is barely ahead of last season's pace in terms of wins and losses.
Jennings has been terrific lately, though. After scoring 35 points with 12 assists Saturday against Denver, he orchestrated another strong offensive effort Monday.
San Antonio, meanwhile, turned the ball over eight times in the third quarter, when Detroit pushed its lead from 11 to 20. The Spurs finished with 19 turnovers, giving the Pistons all the help they would need.
"We lost the game because we probably played the worst defense we've played all season, especially in the first half," San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said. "We didn't bring it mentally or physically, and the Pistons did."

Loyer's sideline demeanor was quite a change from Cheeks' more calm approach. At one point, Loyer came all the way across midcourt to give instructions as the Pistons were trying to hold on.
"They're both two different coaches," Jennings said. "One is loud, the other one is kind of laid back. They're both great guys — especially Cheeks. He's like a father figure to me, so he's definitely going to be missed. But this is the NBA, so I know how that goes."
The Pistons went on a 12-2 run in the third to take a 73-52 lead, then added a few more highlights later in that quarter. Smith threw down a one-handed dunk after a turnover by San Antonio, and Jennings made a layup after Detroit's Andre Drummond blocked Aron Baynes' shot emphatically off the glass.
Jennings missed from the perimeter, then stole the ball near midcourt and went in for a three-point play to make it 84-62.
"I told the guys today, just when we were in the locker room, I'm so proud of them," Loyer said.

Harvesters' tennis takes third at Andrews

STAFF REPORT
The Harvesters' tennis team played in an Andrews tennis tournament this past weekend and head coach Sarah Corse said she is pleased with their performance.
"They did a great job. The players played hard and as a team we took third place. It was a team effort with everyone playing great. Individually, we had some high finishers."
In girls' singles Genevieve Zavala took third place playing some great matches; in girls doubles Harley Elliott and Kaycee Sellers also took third.
In boys' doubles, the team of Blake Chisum and Lane Terry had what Corse called an "awesome tournament in playing some great tennis," finishing fourth as well as

Ashton Robison fourth in boys' singles.
Other finishes were mixed doubles Chase Cree and Zoe Hulsey at seventh, Kristi Klusmeyer and Kaitlyn Hart 11th in girls' doubles, Cooper Horton and Coper Horton placing 11th in mixed doubles and Ajay Mitchell and Jordan Moore finishing 13th in boys' doubles.
"All of these players helped to place third in the tournament. It was a great tournament because we were playing other 3A schools in our region and got to see how we match up with them for future play," Corse said about their efforts.
The next tournament will be the Sandies Tournament in Amarillo on Feb. 28.

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Olympics

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Men's hockey: Slovakia vs. U.S.....	NBCSN 6:30 a.m.
Men's hockey: Russia vs. Slovenia.....	MSNBC 6:30 a.m.
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Men's figure skating.....	NBCSN 9 a.m.
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Men's hockey: Canada vs. Norway.....	USA 11 a.m.
Men's biathlon, luge.....	NBC 2 p.m.
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Lady Harvesters fall to Levelland in Bi-district round of playoffs

BY JOHN LEE
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CANYON — The Pampa Lady Harvesters fell to the Levelland Loboettes 46-24 Monday night in Canyon at the First United Bank Center.

The Loboettes' defense shut down much of the Lady Harvesters' shooting lanes, keeping senior Hayley Burnett at bay, although she still finished with 15 points. Head coach Gene Valentine said that this game is similar to how the

season went. "We had our ups and downs, it was about like tonight. We would get down and fight back," Valentine said.

"We went through our spells where we didn't play very well and then we would play good. I appreciated them playing hard and staying competitive. They could have given up. It was a 15-11 game at one time, and I told them it would be all right. Then they (Levelland) had their little run and we couldn't find a way to score. We just couldn't find it tonight, plus we kept turning the ball over."

Valentine attributed part

of the season's mannerisms to how young his team was.

"We came into the season with three returners, only one of them played a lot, and the rest are off of JV," Valentine said.

"So this was their first experience of anything like this and hopefully they will learn through that experience and come back and do it again".

Following a 2-point-er from junior Madison Brown to put the Lady Harvesters up 2-0, the Loboettes took control of the game with Sydney Shakespeare shooting three 3-pointers and finishing the first quarter with all of

Levelland's 15 points.

Trailing 15-4 in the second quarter, the Lady Harvesters were able to muster up a 7-0 run, led by a 2-pointer from Burnett which was complemented by free throws from juniors Ty'Randa Johnson and Caragan Niccum. This cut the score to 15-11, but then the Loboettes went on a 11-0 run to end the half.

"What got us was in the first quarter, No. 25 had all 15 of their points," Valentine said. "We went to a little diamond and one and held her to two. We put Ty'Randa on her and made her play."

The Lady Harvesters

were unable to get back within single point range and the Loboettes went on to win 46-24. In the third quarter Burnett scored the team's only four points. In the fourth, the Lady Harvesters' bench came in and took advantage of the minutes they played. Juniors Keisha Daniels and Raven Neal each had a 2-pointer.

This ends the Lady Harvesters' season. Hayley Burnett finished the game with 15 points. Raven Neal, Madison Brown and Keisha Daniels each had two points. Caragan Niccum, Brown and Ty'Randa Johnson all had a point on free throws.



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Above and below photos by Jerry Heasley/ bottom photo by John Lee. Above, Hayley Burnett (5) attempts a mid-range shot for two points. Below, Keisha Daniels (40) works her way through the Loboettes. Bottom, Madison Brown (12) tips the ball to Risa Rodriguez (20).



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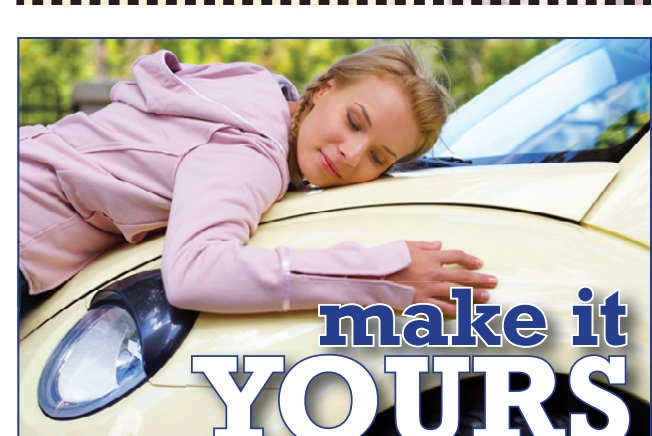
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