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## Why go to San Diego for the big show?

Yellow City Mini-Con delivers comic convention at smaller scale.



**BY JOHN LEE**  
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 AMARILLO — Going to a large-scale comic book convention can be very difficult and very expensive. Not to mention events like the San Diego Comic-Con only happens once a year, although it is over multiple days.  
 Darren Hutchinson, owner of The Table's Edge Gaming and Comic Store, is in the process of creating awareness of the

comic, table-top, sci-fi and just straight-up nerd community in Amarillo and around the Texas Panhandle. His hopes? To be able to bring large-scale comic book conventions to the area.  
 The way he, and other small businesses in Amarillo, plan to do this is by holding Yellow City Comic-Con, shortened YC3, in May of 2015. Before the main event, however, Hutchinson will be hosting a number of "mini-cons." His first one will

be Saturday, Feb. 22, in Amarillo from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at The Table's Edge located at 4515 S. Georgia St. in Amarillo.  
 "A big purpose (of the mini-cons), is to raise awareness that we're doing anything at all," Hutchinson said. "It is going to teach us how to run a con, and prepare the public for our Yellow City Comic-Con."  
 The event will be compared to YC3 in that they are bringing in several out-of-

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## THE UNITED WAY BEAT GOES ON



Photo by Timothy P. Howsare

The Pampa United Way held its annual meeting and awards celebration Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church. Local agencies, board members and volunteers were recognized. The United Way surpassed its 2013 goal of \$337,000 and was able to fund its 17 partners agencies by 100 percent in the first quarter of 2014. Pictured are staff members of CREATE a Beat!, an arts-oriented after-school and summer program. From left, Meghan Graves (red blouse), Cherylann Moore (white top) and Julie Long (black and white blouse). Standing at far left is Jana Gregory, executive administrator.

## Church to celebrate 60 years

Fellowship Baptist held first service in store-front church on April 4, 1954.

**BY TIMOTHY P. HOWSARE**  
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Joel Osborne is pastor at Fellowship Baptist Church, which is celebrating its 60th anniversary on April 6.

Sixty years ago it was a store-front church on North Ward Street. And although Fellowship Baptist Church doesn't rank among the four or five big churches in Pampa, it has nonetheless experienced growth with about 60 to 70 people regularly attending services.

The church's 60th anniversary is on April 4, and a celebration will be held on the Sunday following that date, April 6.

"We opened in a store front on Sunday, April 4, 1954," said Pastor Joel Osbourne.

That was almost three decades before the 32-year-old pastor was even born.

Osbourne has been pastor for three years. He came to Pampa from the Metroplex, where he lived most of his life. He was born in Ohio.

His wife's name is Rachael. They have two daughters, Josephine, 7, and Aravella, 3, and a son Silas, 5.

But despite his Midwestern roots, Osbourne said he is a true Texan in spirit.

"I'm as Texan as you can get without being born here," he said.

The church moved from its store front on Ward Street to 623 E. Francis St. in April 1958 when it bought the sanctuary for the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, which previously had been the Church of Christ.

That was a much smaller building than the present sanctuary, which was built in November 1963.

The original sanctuary was converted

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## Nugent toes the line at Abbott campaign event

THE TEXAS TRIBUNE

Texas Attorney General Greg Abbott's inaugural get-out-the-vote events on the first day of early voting weren't exactly standard meet-and-greets. The likely Republican nominee for Texas governor was accompanied by Ted Nugent on two campaign stops in North Texas.

The legendary rocker has a history of making headlines for his inflammatory comments about nearly every controversial topic imaginable. Last year he wrote in a WorldNetDaily commentary that immigrants "should be treated like indentured servants," and he has a record of using vulgarities to demean women, likening them to "fat pigs" in a 2012 interview on VH1.

But on Tuesday morning, he played it safe, calling Abbott "the epitome of

what our Founding Fathers wanted.

"Greg Abbott and only Greg Abbott will keep Texas free — will keep Texas Texas," Nugent said.

He also argued that veterans are "heart-broken about what the liberal Democrats are doing to the Constitution."

Nugent doesn't generally mince words when it comes to his political views. The rock guitarist wore a Confederate flag T-shirt to Gov. Rick Perry's 2007 inaugural ball and said critics could "drop dead" if they didn't like it. He has called Hillary Clinton unflattering names. And ahead of the 2008 presidential election, Nugent made derogatory remarks about Obama.

He went after Obama again last month, referring to the president as a "subhuman mongrel."

News of Abbott's appearance with Nugent, a Republican, generated a flurry of news stories and thousands of tweets — many of them referring to the entertainer's smash talk and controversial past. State Democratic Party lead-

ers criticized Abbott for campaigning with Nugent. Several of them are hosting a teleconference Tuesday prior to the campaign event to condemn Abbott and call on him to cancel the appearances, and Sen. Wendy Davis, the likely Democratic nominee for governor, said in a statement that "Greg Abbott's embrace of Ted Nugent is an insult to every Texan — every man, woman, husband and father."

Matt Angle, director of the Democratic Lone Star Project, which has provided consulting and research to Sen. Wendy Davis' gubernatorial campaign, said the appearance with Abbott undermines his highly publicized efforts to crack down on child sex predators given that Nugent has admitted to having sex as an adult with underage girls.

"Greg Abbott campaigning with Ted Nugent is an insult to every Texan and exposes in Abbott a fundamental and unacceptable moral deficiency," Angle said. "This is an example of Greg Abbott

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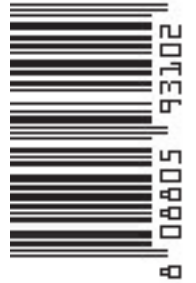
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# Nugent

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believing he can in one instance talk about protecting women and children and then in the very next instance affiliate with and tightly embrace somebody who has admitted to preying on young women.”

At Tuesday’s event, Abbott didn’t mention the outrage over Nugent’s appearance. He spoke of finding ways to alleviate crowded highways — “a

guy in a wheelchair can go faster than cars on I-35 — and said he wanted to invest billions more in the state’s transportation infrastructure. And he mentioned his wife’s ethnicity, saying that, if he’s elected, she will be the first Latina first lady in the state of Texas.

In response to the frenzy over Nugent, Abbott campaign spokesman Matt Hirsch said that Abbott does not “endorse or agree with” everything Nugent says, but added that they welcome “the support of everyone who

supports protecting the Constitution.”

“He is a forceful advocate for individual liberty and constitutional rights — especially the Second Amendment rights cherished by Texans,” Hirsch said.

Nugent’s attack on the left played well with the standing room-only crowd.

“It’s pretty Republican here in Denton,” said Susan Wells, who drove in from Robson Ranch, a retirement community 15 minutes outside of town.

# ALTRUSANS LAMAR ELEMENTARY READING



Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik

Every month the Altrusans visit an elementary school class in Pampa and read to them. On Tuesday, the women read to Carol Phillips’ first grade class at Lamar Elementary. Altrusan Kerrick Horton is pictured reading to her group of students.

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## Comic

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town guests. It will be a lot smaller than YC3, hence the mini-con title. Saturday as well as other events to be announced will give Hutchinson and his crew an idea of what they can expect for the big event.

Hutchinson considers a comic convention to be a mini-con if it lasts less than two days.

“I have heard about a lot of one day events, anything less than a two-day event,” Hutchinson said.

Special guests at Saturday’s mini-con include several comic book artists such as Sam de la Rosa, who has worked for Marvel Comics, DC Comics and Dark Horse Comics. Other artists include Greg Harms, Will Terrell and Kristi Harms. A full special guest list, as well as their body of work, can be found at the YC3’s

Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/yellowcitycon](http://www.facebook.com/yellowcitycon).

Perhaps the biggest name on the guest list is Steve Cardenas, who played the Red Power Ranger in “Mighty Morphin Power Rangers” from 1994-1996, including the 1995 motion picture “Mighty Morphin Power Rangers: The Movie.”

Other events at the mini-con include steampunk groups, a Magic: The Gathering tournament and other table-top games.

Hutchinson said that he hopes this mini-con as well as YC3 as a whole will open up the flood gate for other conventions to be housed around the Panhandle.

“I think it would be neat to find venues the size of The Pampa Mall or the Hastings that just closed in Borger,” Hutchinson said. “Amarillo is getting put on the map really

fast. Our goal is to get the Panhandle the attention to draw larger events here.”

As for The Table’s Edge, Hutchinson said that they will be doing sales on Saturday during the convention, and that they are exclusive to the Amarillo location.

For more information on Yellow City Comic Con, visit their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/yellowcitycon](http://www.facebook.com/yellowcitycon). For more information on The Table’s Edge Gaming and Comics, visit their Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/TheTablesEdge](http://www.facebook.com/TheTablesEdge) or call 806-373-5508.

Yellow City Mini-Con is this Saturday, Feb. 22, in Amarillo from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at The Table’s Edge Gaming and Comics Store located at 4515 S. Georgia St. in Amarillo.

Admission is free. Donations at the door will go to Children’s Miracle Network Texas Panhandle and High Plains Region.

## Church

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into a fellowship hall and the two buildings are now connected.

Services normally begin at 11 a.m., but on April 6 the service will start earlier at 10:30 a.m. and there will be no Sunday school.

Osborne said the Wills

Family, a Southern gospel group, will perform both during the service and during an afternoon concert in the sanctuary.

The group also will be preaching during the morning service, he said.

Osborne said none of the church’s charter members are still alive, but he does want to extend a special invitation to any former members.

“From time to time I meet

people on the street who tell me they used to be a member here,” he said.

He said at least two of the former pastors, Rev. Charles Lowry, who is now pastor at Crosspointe Church, and Delbert White will share testimonies about the church when they were pastors.

For more information, call 806-663-2455 or 806-669-1652.

## NEWS Briefs

### Dance in McLean on Saturday

McLean Texas Dance Club will hold a dance from 7:30 to 11 p.m. on Saturday Feb. 22. The dance was

canceled last week because of weather, so a Valentine’s dance is planned with Blue Denim II furnishing the music. The dances are held at County Road Z and State

Highway 273 a half mile north of McLean. There is a sign on the west side of road. All ages welcome. For more information, call 806-867-2029.

## Pampa student makes OU Norman campus honor roll

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NORMAN, Okla. — Sydney Hoelting of Pampa achieved honor roll at Oklahoma Norman campus.

Students from 47 states are listed on the OU Norman campus honor roll for

the fall 2013 semester.

In most colleges, students must earn a minimum 3.5 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale to be included on the honor roll. Students in the College of Architecture are recognized with a 3.3 or better, and students in the College of Engineering are recognized with a 3.0 or better.

Honor roll students who are enrolled full time in at least 12 credit hours are listed below by the hometowns they provided on their records.

Students in the area named to the OU honor roll are Madison R. Argo of Borger and Ashley Ann Williams of Canadian.

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**Today:** Mostly cloudy with a high of 66. Winds south-southeast at 10 mph. Sunrise at 7:26 a.m.

**Tonight:** Clouds early clearing late with a low of 40. Winds west-southwest at 27 mph. Sunset at 6:30 p.m.

**Thursday:** Partly cloudy and windy with a high of 48. Winds north at 27 mph. Sunrise at 7:25 a.m.

**Thursday night:** Mostly clear with a low of 31. Winds south-southwest at 10 mph. Sunset at 6:31 p.m.

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# Obituaries

## Susan Howard Martin

Susan Howard Martin, 48, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Feb. 16 in Pampa.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 20, at Carmichael-Whately Colonial Chapel, with Ray OQuin, officiating. A private burial will follow under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.



Susan Martin

Susan was born May 13, 1965 in Pampa. She attended Mobeetie ISD through the ninth grade before moving to Laketon and graduating from Miami High School. After making her home in Laketon, she enjoyed living the country life with her husband Steve. Susan loved spending time outside on horseback, checking cattle with her beloved dogs by her side. She loved her family and enjoyed spending time with her son, Justin, his wife Bridget, and her grandson Easton, who was the joy of her life and who called her Gigi.

She went to heaven to be with her daddy, Bobby Howard; and her grandparents, Bud and Marie Howard and Albert and Ella Trout.

Family includes her husband, Stephen Martin of the home; her son, Justin Holman, his wife Bridget and their son, Easton, all of Pampa; one stepdaughter, Katherine Martin of the home; her mother, Marolyn Howard OQuin and husband Ray of Laketon; a brother, Scott Howard and wife Denise of McLean; a sister, Shelley Gunter and husband Kenneth "Slim" of Sweetwater; nieces and

nephews, Suzanne and Bradley Howard, and Kaycee and Kason Gunter; and numerous extended family and good friends.

Memorials may be made to the Ronald McDonald House, 1501 Streit Drive, Amarillo, Texas 79106.

Sign the online guest register at [www.carmichael-whately.com](http://www.carmichael-whately.com).

## Onita Fay Stowe

Onita Fay Stowe, 74, died Feb. 17, 2014 in Pampa.

There are no services scheduled. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors.



Onita Fay Stowe

Mrs. Stowe was born Sept. 22, 1939 in Espanola, N.M. to Howard and Addy Woodard. She enjoyed painting, reading God's word and cooking, and she loved her dog "Cricket."

Survivors include four daughters, Schryol Doyle and husband Paul of Magnolia, LaDonna Johnson and husband David of Quanah, Betty Holt of Troy, Mont., and Billie Jorgenson and husband Ken of Pampa; three sons, Michael Bynum and wife Janet of Shamrock, Charles Stowe of Hempstead, and Willie Stowe of Shamrock; 16 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren; and four sisters, Beatrice Leftwick of Lefors, Opal Ray of Pampa, Betty Jo Parsley of Amarillo, and Colene Stover of White Deer.

Sign the online guest register at [www.carmichael-whately.com](http://www.carmichael-whately.com).

# Ag applications of tablets, smartphones workshops set in March, April

SUBMITTED BY TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION

AMARILLO — The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will conduct two workshops to train farmers and ranchers to use their iPhones and iPads or other tablets and smart phones to make decisions to increase their bottom lines.

Agricultural Applications of Tablets and Smartphones classes will be held from 9

a.m.-3 p.m. March 4 at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center, 6500 W. Amarillo Blvd. in Amarillo, and on April 3 at the Roberts County Annex, 122 Waters St. in Miami.

The registration fee is \$20 for each workshop, to be paid at the door by check, said DeDe Jones, AgriLife Extension risk management specialist in Amarillo. Workshop materials, refreshments at breaks and

the noon meal are included in the registration fee.

Seating is limited to 30 participants at each location, so advanced registration is requested, she said. To register, contact Jones by calling 806-677-5667 or [djones@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:djones@ag.tamu.edu).

The workshop is designed to teach participants how to use mobile technology to make quick decisions in the field, in the pasture, on the tractor, in the auction barn or in the pickup, Jones said.

Each participant will have access to iPads with apps already installed. They will learn how to obtain data and do calculations that will improve their price and production risk management skills.

She said the workshops' goal is to teach participants the basics, as well as demonstrate and discuss both Android and Microsoft tablets. Participants are welcome to bring their own tablet or smartphone.

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## Museum Musings Shop 'til you drop in early Pampa

The first mercantile building in Pampa was constructed in 1902 by John F. Johnson of Canadian.



**COURTNEY OXLEY**

In 1885 Johnson came from his native Tennessee to Kiowa, Kan., where he soon entered the general merchandising business. He and his brother-in-law H.E. Hoover, were operating a store in Kiowa at the same time the Southern Kansas

Later the building housed an undertaking establishment and the First State Bank (First National Bank) when it was first organized. Some of the early denominational churches met in the building before they acquired buildings of their own.

At Christmas time decorated Christmas trees were kept in the Johnson building. Just before Christmas men took turning plows around the streets and laid out fir trees around all the blocks. Then they held services in the schoolhouse.

J.N. Duncan, who came to Pampa in 1906, bought the Johnson Mercantile Co. and the name of the building was changed to J.N. Duncan Hardware and Furniture.

The second store in Pampa, also built in 1902, was Harland and Crump at 101 N. Cuyler St.

In 1902 Charles McCarty, pumper for the railroad, installed the first telephone in Pampa. He ordered one telephone from a mail order house in Chicago but two telephones were received. McCarty installed one telephone in his home and the other at the pump house. He installed the telephones himself, piping the wires underground.

S.S. (Sam) Thomas, a native of Virginia, organized one of the first water well drilling companies in Gray County when he came to Pampa in 1902. He was a city councilman on Pampa's first legislative body and engaged in farming and other business.

On Jan. 17, 1912, Sam Thomas married Eula Duncan, daughter of J.N. Duncan. Their children were Yvonne and Jerry. The family lived at 203 E. Browning.

Charles L. Thomas also came to Gray County in 1902 and joined his brother, Sam, in the drilling of water wells for White Deer Lands.

In 1914 he purchased a farm of 1,160 acres seven miles north of Pampa on present State Highway 70. Six hundred acres were planted in

wheat, and he had a good orchard of apples, cherries and peaches.

C.L. Thomas was a president of the Gray County State Bank in Pampa, a director of the Texas Wheat Growers Association and a member of the zone board of Texas and Oklahoma wheat growers.

On April 30, 1911 he married Ouida Talley, daughter of J.W. Talley, one of the early ranchers in Roberts County. Their children were Charles Lee and Dorothea (Mrs. Alfred S. Graham).

Son Charles Lee, who was outstanding in drama and art, initiated the idea of the Nativity Scene with life-sized figures to be set up in Central Park in Pampa during the Christmas season.

On Aug. 21, 1943, Frederick W. Brook and Virginia Line were married at the Pampa Army Air Force Base chapel before it was finished. Captain Maurice Garner performed the ceremony and his daughter, Nancy, played the piano and was the bridesmaid. Nancy and Virginia were former roommates.

Possibly other couples were married at the base before the chapel was completed, but James and Beadie Baird, who married on Sept. 10, 1943, were the first couple to be married in the PAAFB chapel after it was finished.

Marvin Daugherty's Hoover Mercantile Store was built of rocks and situated closer to the road than the present store.

On July 27, 1946, Joe and Juanita Massengale bought the Green Lake school building (Roberts County) and moved it to Hoover to house the store.

*To learn more about Pampa and the Gray County area, 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.*

## Calls on airliners are annoying, but must we legislate them?



**DEBRA SAUNDERS**

I have found the issue that can bring America together. Republicans and Democrats, urban hipsters and country folk, corporate scions and infrequent fliers — they all seem to agree: The federal government must not allow mobile phone use on planes.

If the Federal Communications Commission allows airlines with properly equipped planes to open the cell-phone gates on commercial flights, even Washington agrees there will be revolts in the friendly skies.

On Tuesday, by a bipartisan voice vote, the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee passed a bill, the Prohibiting In-Flight Voice Communications on Mobile Wireless Devices Act, to the House floor.

Chairman Bill Shuster, a Republican from Pennsylvania and the bill's author, argues that at 30,000 feet, fellow passengers do not have the option of walking away from obnoxious loudmouths. Ergo, the Department of Transportation must ban voice calls on planes. Shuster, however, does favor regulations to allow passengers to use their phones and tablets to text, send emails and work online. He's got a catchy slogan: "Tap, don't talk."

Me, I feel sorry for the poor chumps at the FCC. Since 1991, the FCC has banned cellphone use on planes, lest the signals interfere with wireless networks on the ground. With the advent of technology that can prevent interference, the FCC revisited the rule. In October, the FCC ruled that passengers may leave on their phones (in airplane mode) and personal electronic devices during takeoff and landing — because its mission is to regulate technology, not passenger behavior.

Kudos, the public should cheer. Finally, a regulatory agency that doesn't want to overreach its authority. Shuster himself noted that it is the responsibility of the Department of Transportation, not the FCC, to make rules in the name of airline safety.

Unconcerned with jurisdictional matters, however, the public has flooded the FCC with protests. According to The Associated Press, 48 percent of Americans (78 percent of frequent fliers) oppose allowing passengers to talk on their phones.

I get it. As airlines try to make flights cheaper — a good thing — seats are closer together and service lacks even the oh-so-modest frills of yore. When flying is a chore, passengers get grumpy. It's no fun even just riding public transportation next to a bigmouth, and city bus rides don't last six hours like a cross-country flight. The flying public fears "air rage" incidents.

That said, Americans are overreacting. The FCC conducted a study of countries that allowed cellphone use on planes in 2012; none of the 11 authorities that responded reported "any cases of air rage or flight attendant interference." Most countries reported low usage and short calls, and if there were complaints, they were about the cost or interruption of service.

Remember when U.S. airlines installed those pricey middle-seat phones? There were no mutinies in the sky.

If the FCC allows voice calls, my guess is that U.S. airlines will prohibit or strictly limit usage. Delta and Southwest have announced their intent to just say no. Legal departments, litigious consumers and flight attendant unions should take care of the rest.

I know world travelers who pay big bucks to visit countries that offer hole-in-the-floor plumbing and bus rides with barnyard animals and who nonetheless are terrified at the prospect of flying on a U.S. airline on which other passengers can make cellphone calls.

Truly, we live in a golden age. Americans' idea of hardship is flying safely over the entire country in six hours, with access to movies, music and their choice of news. But oh, the horrors, someone else being able to make a phone call? For this, Congress will act.

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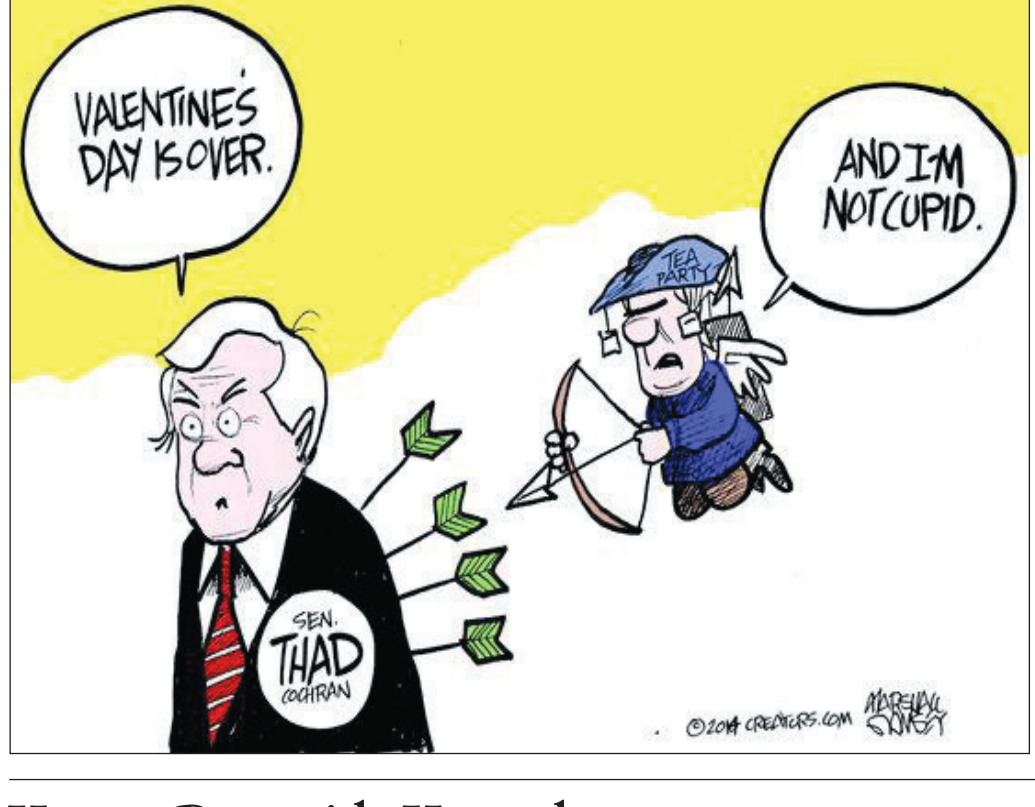
Railroad was being constructed across the Texas Panhandle. Johnson followed the railroad by opening stores in Woodward, Indian Territory, Higgins, Canadian, Miami and Pampa.

Johnson bought 12 lots on 25 foot frontage. These were the first lots sold for business purposes in Pampa. The Johnson Mercantile Co. store, located at 105 N. Cuyler St., is said to have housed "everything from lockets to caskets." Its valuation of \$10,000, as recorded in the Gray County Commission Court Records, indicated that there was a sizeable amount of merchandise.

Postmaster Thomas H. Lane became district road master for the railroad on April 22, 1902. The post office was moved from his home to the Johnson building and John F. Johnson was appointed postmaster on Sept. 18, 1902. After Johnson declined the appointment, Bruce Waterfield was appointed postmaster on November 22, 1902.

The Johnson building also housed a law office. Presumably this was first occupied by T.J. "Tom" Crawford, Jr., the first sheriff of Gray County. Crawford took office on August 3, 1902, 55 days after the county was organized. He was adept with a branding iron as well as with the shooting irons of his trade.

Some of the first dances in Pampa were held at the Johnson building.



## Hump Day with Humphrey Humphrey is one well-grounded dog

I'd like to start off this week by thanking readers who have responded to my column on Humphrey.



**LINDSEY TOMASCHIK**

The feedback makes me feel like I'm not just that crazy lady who is obsessed with her dog (though maybe I still am). Last week I said I would expand on Humphrey and the stairs, so I suppose I should start with that.

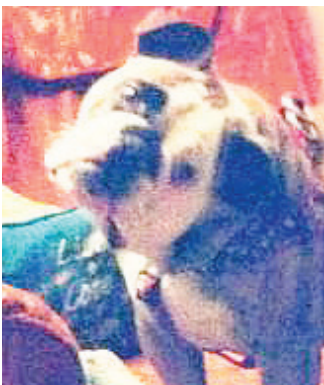
I mentioned last week's Hump Day that Humphrey made me carry him up and down the stairs every time he needed to go outside. Well, a little less than a month after I got him, when he was still under 20 pounds, he was climbing up and down the stairs without a problem, and

I was so excited because I have had friends tell me that their dogs would not climb these types of stairs because they could see through them and it freaked them out.

Well one day, Humphrey got really winded before attempting to climb the stairs, but still raced up them before gassing out by the time he was about halfway up them. It was at that moment that he had enough time to notice that he could see through the steps, and from that moment on, he refused to climb the stairs.

I tried everything to retrain him to climb the stairs, but his stubborn nature kicked in every time. I tried a treat on every step, but he would just stand on the bottom and stretch to reach as many treats as he could. I tried picking him up and putting him on every individual step, but he

would just freeze up and cry, so I gave up. There I was carrying my growing bulldog up and down the stairs every time he needed to go outside, and I knew it would



never work out if he was still doing this by the time he was fully grown. One day, he just snapped out of his fear of climbing down the stairs, but upward still

**HUMPHREY** cont. on page 5

Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik  
Humphrey has yet to grow out of his staring problem, but it makes for a good picture. Here he is on "his" chair.

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# Humphrey

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was not happening. After allowing this to continue for awhile, I realized how big Humphrey had gotten (he was about 30 pounds at this point), and I knew I needed to attempt to get him to climb up the stairs again.

Slowly but surely, I began working with him and would place him one step from the top at first when I would take him outside. He got that down pretty easily, and within a few days, he was climbing up from the midway point without a problem.

I think he just finally realized that he won't fit through the gap between the stairs, and he has finally overcome his fear. Now over 40 pounds, I'm SO glad I no longer have to pick him up and carry him up the stairs. Not only would I look ridiculous doing it, but there's no reason he shouldn't be able to climb them at his size!

Among his other more recent accomplishments, Humphrey figured out how to jump up on my living room furniture. It started with the chair in this week's picture of my baby bully, which I got at a garage sale for five dollars when I was 10 years old. When he figured out how to climb up there, I pretty much dubbed it his since it's so old. I will probably never get rid of the chair though, no matter how many people tell me how ugly it is (not to mention, it's UT burnt orange, uhh Wreck 'Em Tech).

Anywho, as of about two weeks ago, I no longer have to pick Humphrey up when I'm sitting on my nicer, taller over-sized chairs when I want to cuddle with him. He used to whine and whine when I didn't feel like picking his hefty self up to sit with me, but now he can get up there on his own, which is nice. It's especially nice, because he still prefers to sleep on his beds for the most part (he has three). Ahh, sleeping habits, now there is a topic for next week.

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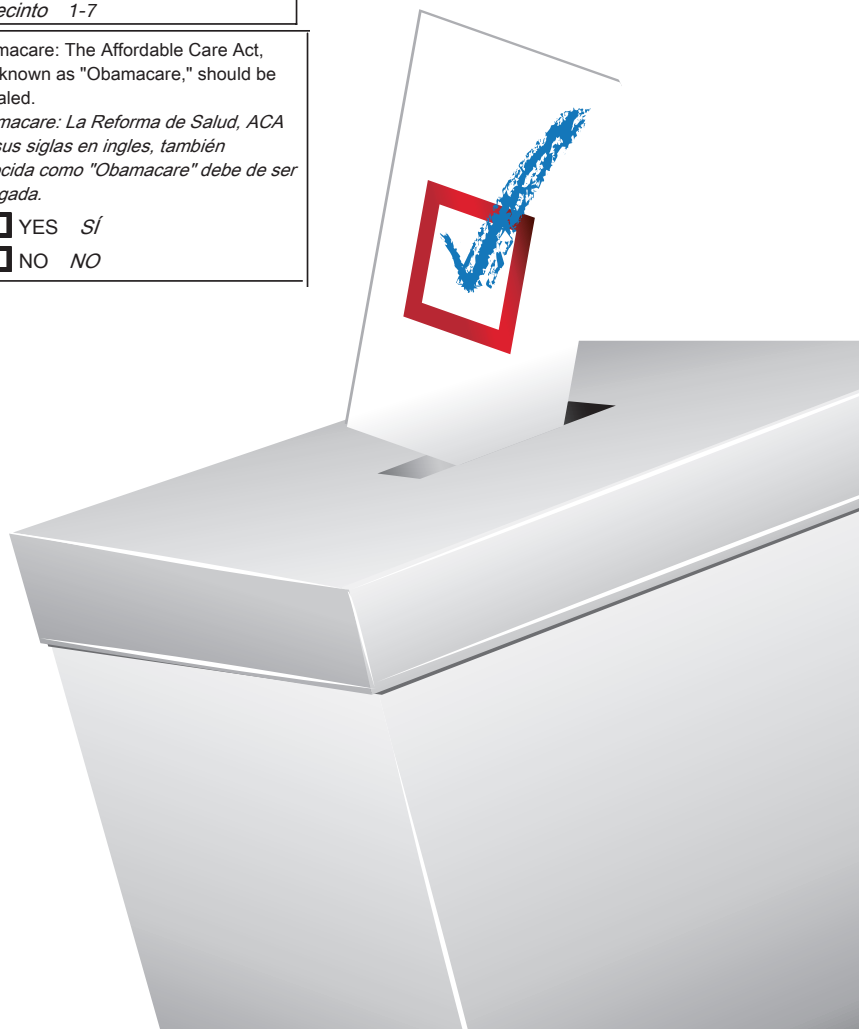


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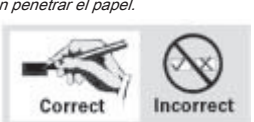
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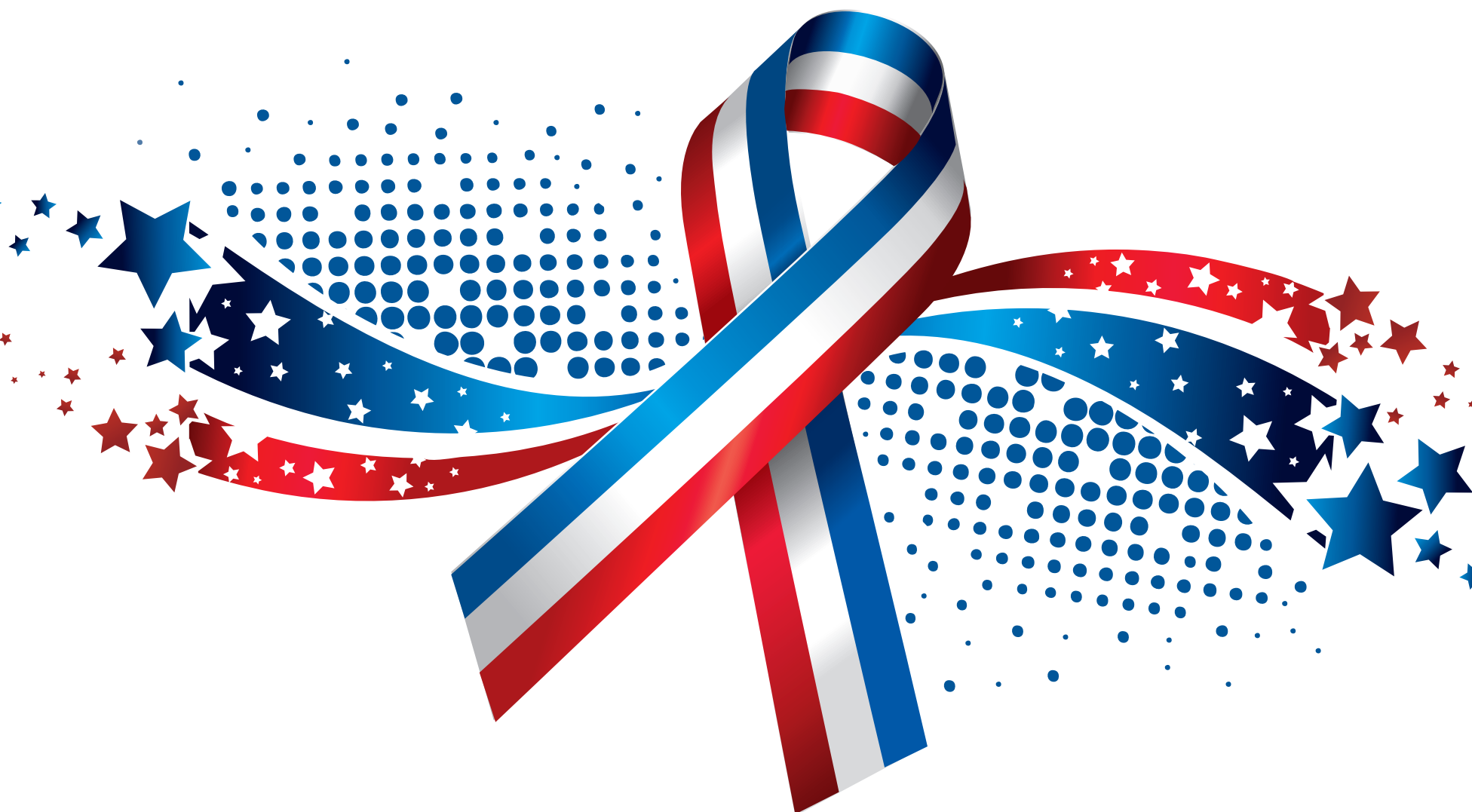




# Your Vote Counts

## Sample ballot for the 2014 Primary Election, Gray County Sample Democratic Ballot

DEMOCRATIC PARTY <i>PARTIDO DEMOCRATÁ</i> PRIMARY ELECTION <i>OFICIAL BALLOT ELECCIÓN PRIMARIA BOLETA OFICIAL</i> GRAY COUNTY, TEXAS <i>CONDADO DE GRAY, TEXAS</i> March 04, 2014 - 04 de Marzo de 2014		Precinct <i>Precinto</i> 1-7
 <p>11000010110149</p>	<p><b>Instruction Text:</b> Please use a black or blue ink pen only. Completely fill in the box provided to the left of your choice. Make no stray marks on the ballot. Do not use inks that soak through the paper.</p> <p><i>Texto de Instrucción:</i> Por favor use solamente una pluma de tinta negra o azul. Llene completamente el espacio cuadrado a la izquierda de su selección. No haga marcas extraviadas. No use tintas que se pueden penetrar el papel.</p>  <p>"I am a Democrat and I understand that I am ineligible to vote or participate in another political party's primary election or convention during this voting year." <i>"Yo soy Democratá y comprendo que no estoy elegible para votar o participar en la elección primaria o la convención de algún otro partido político durante este año electoral."</i></p>	<p><b>Railroad Commissioner</b> <i>Comisionado de Ferrocarriles</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Steve Brown <input type="checkbox"/> Dale Henry</p> <p><b>Chief Justice, Supreme Court</b> <i>Juez Presidente, Corte Suprema</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> William Moody</p> <p><b>Justice, Supreme Court, Place 6 - Unexpired Term</b> <i>Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 6 - Duración Restante del Cargo</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Lawrence Edward Meyers</p> <p><b>Justice, Supreme Court, Place 7</b> <i>Juez, Corte Suprema, Lugar Núm. 7</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Gina Benavides</p> <p><b>Judge, Court of Criminal Appeals, Place 3</b> <i>Juez, Corte de Apelaciones Criminales, Lugar Núm. 3</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> John Granberg</p> <p><b>ON IMMIGRATION REFORM</b> The United States Congress must pass immigration reform; including an earned path to citizenship for those individuals contributing to the economy and the dependents of those individuals. <i>REFORMA MIGRATORIA</i> <i>El Congreso de los Estados Unidos debe aprobar una reforma migratoria, incluyendo un camino ganado a la ciudadanía para aquellos individuos que contribuyen a la economía y las personas a cargo de esas personas.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> FOR A FAVOR <input type="checkbox"/> AGAINST EN CONTRA</p>
	<p><b>United States Senator</b> <i>Senador de los Estados Unidos</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Kesha Rogers <input type="checkbox"/> Harry Kim <input type="checkbox"/> David M. Alameel <input type="checkbox"/> Maxey Marie Scherr <input type="checkbox"/> Michael "Fjet" Fjetland</p> <p><b>United States Representative, District 13</b> <i>Representante de los Estados Unidos, Distrito Núm. 13</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mike Minter</p> <p><b>Governor</b> <i>Gobernador</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Wendy R. Davis <input type="checkbox"/> Reynaldo "Ray" Madrigal</p> <p><b>Lieutenant Governor</b> <i>Gobernador Teniente</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Leticia Van de Putte</p> <p><b>Attorney General</b> <i>Procurador General</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Sam Houston</p> <p><b>Comptroller of Public Accounts</b> <i>Contralor de Cuentas Públicas</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mike Collier</p> <p><b>Commissioner of the General Land Office</b> <i>Comisionado de la Oficina General de Tierras</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> John Cook</p> <p><b>Commissioner of Agriculture</b> <i>Comisionado de Agricultura</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Richard "Kinky" Friedman <input type="checkbox"/> Hugh Asa Fitzsimons III <input type="checkbox"/> Jim Hogan</p>	<p><b>MEDICAID EXPANSION</b> The Governor and the Texas Legislature should accept federal funds; as provided in the Patient Protection &amp; Affordable Care Act of 2010; for the expansion of Medicaid to provide coverage to millions of uninsured and underinsured Texans. <i>EXPANSION DE MEDICAID</i> <i>El Gobernador y la Legislatura de Texas deben aceptar fondos federales, conforme a lo dispuesto en el Patient Protection &amp; Affordable Care Act del 2010, por la expansión de Medicaid para proporcionar cobertura a millones de tejanos sin seguro médico.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> FOR A FAVOR <input type="checkbox"/> AGAINST EN CONTRA</p> <p><b>ON NON-DISCRIMINATION LEGISLATION</b> The Congress and the Texas Legislature should adopt legislation that expands protections against discriminations in employment; housing; and public accommodations based upon sexual orientation and gender identity. <i>LEGISLACION ANTIDISCRIMINATORIA</i> <i>El Congreso y la Legislatura de Texas debería adoptar una legislación que amplía la protección contra la discriminación en el empleo, la vivienda, y los lugares públicos en base a la orientación sexual e identidad de género.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> FOR A FAVOR <input type="checkbox"/> AGAINST EN CONTRA</p> <p><b>A LIVING WAGE FOR ALL TEXANS</b> Congress should pass legislation raising the federal minimum wage to at least 110% of the federal poverty level for a family of four without exception. <i>UN SALARIO DIGNO PARA TODOS LOS TEJANOS</i> <i>El Congreso debe promulgar legislación para aumentar el salario mínimo federal por lo menos a el 110% del nivel federal de pobreza para una familia de cuatro, sin excepción.</i></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> FOR A FAVOR <input type="checkbox"/> AGAINST EN CONTRA</p>
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# Pampa Faith

## Deep water Bible verses

After you learned how to swim, how much time did you spend in the “kiddy pool”? Not much huh. How come? It just wasn’t any fun, was it? Then why do so many Christians spend so much



**MIKE SUBLETT**

of their lives in the “spiritual kiddie pool”? You know that end of the pool that is only filled with blessings, prosperity, rewards, love, mercy, tenderness, forgiveness, etc. The end of the spiritual pool that even the newest new born could enjoy. Definitely not the deep end of the pool with

much about judgment, hell, confrontation, sin, warnings, condemnation, sacrifice, persecution, etc. Here is an example of a deep water verse: Daniel 3:17-18: “If the God we serve is able to deliver us, then he will deliver us from the blazing furnace and from Your Majesty’s hand. But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up.”

How does this qualify as a deep water verse? Because it clearly accepts the spiritual truth that God does not always deliver His children from persecution and even death and shame on us for always expecting it.

How about Habakkuk 3:17-18: “Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will be joyful in God my Savior.”

What is Habakkuk saying? Even if we find ourselves totally destitute, we will still rejoice and praise the Lord. Financial prosperity is not a requirement to our praise of the greatness of God. We will still be singing “God Is Good” all the time even if we lose our job and our financial security. Now that is a deep water believer.

And don’t forget Job 13:15: “Though he slay me, yet will I hope in him; I will surely defend my ways to his face.” Even if God takes his life Job said he would not lose his hope in Jehovah. WOW! Definitely deep water faith.

These are just a few examples of some of the deep water words in the

Bible. They come from deep water believers who graduated from kindergarten into maturity after leaving the spiritual kiddie pool behind.

However, these days it seems that too many professed believers are content to just dangle their toes in spiritual waters or maybe on extra adventurous days wade in the 12 inch part of the pool. Why are so many so content with so little in their faith walk with Father God? Because most have never been challenged in their faith.

Anyone who thinks that Father God will tolerate one of His kids hanging out in the spiritual kiddie pool after they have been born again for years is a FOOL! Same is true of those who are strangers with their Bible, those who never share their faith with others, those who don’t regularly tithe from their prosperity, those who alter their beliefs when the scriptures put one of their relatives in a bind, those who spend little time in prayer. Be warned. If this warning angers you, I can’t help you and neither can God; anger is the sign of a bad heart. But if this warning frightens you or causes you deep sadness, then its time to repent and line back up with Father God. In 2014 make that which is important to God important to you. God bless. Mike

James 1:2: “Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds.”

Matthew 5:10-12: “Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

1 Peter 4:12-13: “Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed.”

Romans 5:3: “Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance.”

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## CHURCH SPOTLIGHT

### Remember your Creator

“Remember your Creator in the days of your youth...” — Ecclesiastes 12:1

Have you ever stopped to consider how many young people have been used by God to do something special for Him?



**DAVID BOULTER**

Joseph was sold into slavery at the age of seventeen by his brothers, rose to become one of the prime ministers of Egypt and saved his people from famine (Genesis 37).

David was a teenager tending his father’s sheep when he rose up and slew Goliath and later became King of Israel (1 Samuel 16-17).

Joash became King of Judah at the age of seven; he reigned for forty years and led people in a major rebuilding and refurbishing of the Temple.

Hezekiah became King of Judah at the young age of twenty-five and was one of Judah’s greatest kings; he reigned for

thirty-one years and led the people in spiritual renewal (II Kings 18-20)

The point I am making is that God has always used young people to get His message to the world. He still does today. To any teenager or young adult reading these words, I can’t promise you an easy life if you decide to follow Jesus Christ.

But I do promise you this: If you “remember your Creator in the days of your youth,” you will be greatly blessed. You will discover that the life of faith is full of adventure, and you will be glad you did not sit on the sidelines but dared to make a difference in the world.

Like the Marines, God is looking for a few good young men and women. “Remember” God in your life this week. If you are not a teenager, encourage those you meet of the potential God has before them. He has designed them for His purpose.

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## Church Calendar

### St. Matthew's pancake supper

St. Matthew’s Episcopal Church will hold its 58th annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper from 5-8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 4. Tickets are \$5 for all you can eat. Preschool children and younger are free. The church is located at 727 W.

Browning Ave. For more information, call 806-665-0701.

### Church convention March 14

Amarillo is the host city for the 34th Annual Texas Northwest Jurisdiction Church of God in Christ Women’s Convention. The event will be held March

11-14 at the Temple of Praise, 1900 W. Amarillo Blvd. There will be a musical, dynamic services and a banquet. Guest speakers include Bishop W.H. Watson III, Evangelist Frances Kelly and Karen Anderson. For more information, call the Temple of Praise Community Church at 806-383-5345.

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Pampa TX 79065  
669-7830

**Briarwood Full Gospel Church**  
1800 W. Harvester Avenue  
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665-7201

**Calvary Assembly of God Church**  
1030 Love Street  
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669-7207

**Calvary Baptist**  
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665-0842

**Carpenter’s Church**  
639 S. Barnes  
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669-2720

**Central Baptist Church**  
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Pampa TX 79065  
665-1631

**Church of Christ**  
1342 Mary Ellen  
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665-0031

**Church of Christ Somerville**  
500 N. Somerville  
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665-0004

**Church of God**  
Gwendolen & Sumner  
Pampa TX 79065  
669-6372

**Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints**  
411 East 29th Ave.  
Pampa TX 79065  
669-2967

**Church of the Nazarene**  
500 N. West  
Pampa TX 79065  
669-3144

**Community Christian School**  
409 N. Frost  
Pampa, TX 79065  
665-3393

**Cornerstone Baptist Church**  
2410 W. 23rd Ave.  
Pampa TX 79065  
669-6509

**Crosspointe**  
711 E. Harvester  
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665-2480

**Faith Bible Church**  
110 W. Kingsmill  
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665-2747

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665-5976

**First Assembly of God**  
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665-5941

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669-1155

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669-3225

**First Freewill Baptist Church**  
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665-2545

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665-1031

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669-7411

**Grace Baptist Church**  
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669-7967

**Harvest Fellowship Baptist Church**  
2700 W. Kentucky Ave.  
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665-4922

**Harvest Bible Church**  
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669-2923

**Hobart Baptist Church**  
1100 W. Crawford  
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669-3212

**Hi-land Christian Church**  
1615 N. Banks  
Pampa TX 79065  
669-6700

**Highland Baptist Church**  
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Pampa TX 79065  
665-3300

**Iglesia Bautista Emanuel**  
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665-4330

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665-7233

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665-2183

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406 Elm Ave  
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665-6743

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727 W. Browning  
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665-0701

**St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church**  
810 W. 23rd Ave.  
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665-8933

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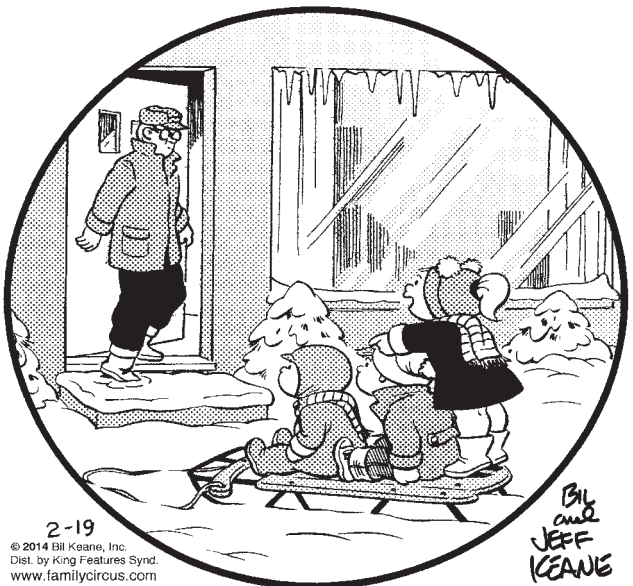
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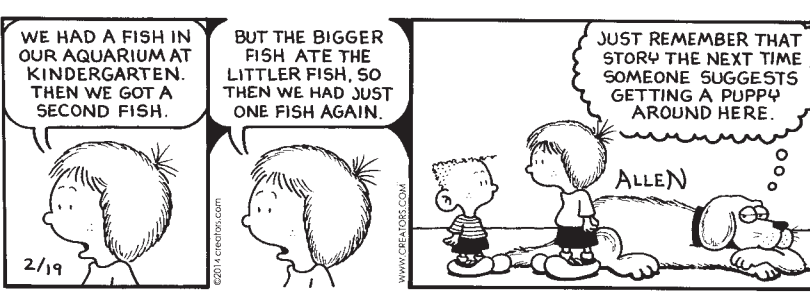
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# daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Thursday, Feb. 20, 2014:

This year you are able to detach more and see new ways of handling problems. A foreign person could open your eyes to other cultures and philosophies. Your sixth sense works well for you -- follow it, even if it is not always logical. If you are single, you are going to meet someone quite bohemian. You will enjoy getting to know this person, but the relationship might not last forever. If you are attached, the two of you finally might decide to take that special trip you so often think about. Together, you will open the door to new life experiences through new friends or travel. **SCORPIO** knows much more than he or she lets on.

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 have much to think about and consider. You might need to mellow out a bit. You will have an important and long-overdue discussion with a loved one or an associate. The less that is said to others, the better off you will be. Tonight: In the whirlwind of the moment.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
★★★★ You seem ready to make a dream a reality. A partner or several other people might want to pitch in, especially if this idea could affect them too. An upbeat attitude will help you feel more connected to others than you have in the past. Tonight: Say "yes" to an offer.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
★★★★ Take news with a grain of salt. A boss might have a lot to say, and will talk openly if you seem interested in what he or she has to share. Use caution with your finances. A risk might not pay off in the way you'd hoped it would. Tonight: Get a head start on tomorrow's work.

**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
★★★★ Events could put you more in touch with your dynamic energy. Look at the long-term implications when looking at the big picture. A situation might not evolve as you might wish it would. Do more listening and sharing. Tonight: Get into weekend mode.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
★★★★ You might want to spend more time at home. Use your instincts to achieve a better sense of harmony with a loved one. Indulge in more time together. A change in your schedule

could force changes to happen elsewhere in your life. Tonight: Order in.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
★★★★ You might want to examine what is happening in your immediate environment. Make calls, catch up on news and clear your desk. You will come up with a more efficient way of handling key matters. Others will come through for you. Tonight: Spend time with a loved one.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
★★★★ Listen to what is being shared, but hold back for now on sharing what you know. A partner might do the unexpected. You could be upset, but you also do enjoy the excitement that this person brings to your life. Tonight: Do some shopping on the way home.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
★★★★ You might be in the middle of all the action. Take the lead, prioritize and delegate; otherwise, too many key details could be missed. You understand the implications of what is going on better than most people do. Tonight: Think "weekend." Make plans.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
★★★★ You move through details quickly, yet one could slip past you and ultimately sabotage your plans. Slow down or recheck your work. You also might need to consider getting a second person to work with you on this project. Maintain your sense of humor. Tonight: Ever playful.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
★★★★ Call on your self-discipline. Use your sixth sense to tune in to the obvious dynamics of a particular matter. Someone could appear to be almost too generous. Pull back while you can, and see what is happening with this person. Tonight: Get together with friends.

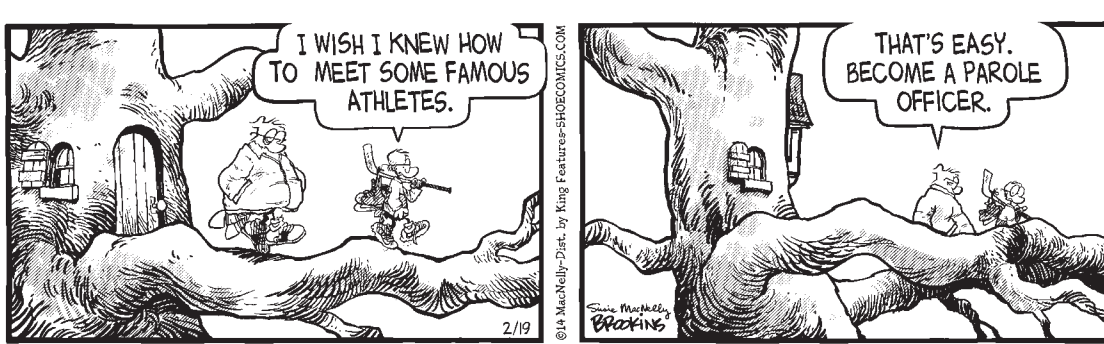
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
★★★★ You might feel as if you have an additional responsibility weighing you down. Stop and look at what is happening instead of continuing as you have been. Look at the big picture to see your options more clearly. Choose a more easygoing pace. Tonight: A must appearance.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
★★★★ You see life very differently from how many of the people around you see it. As a result, others often are inspired and/or confused by you. At the moment, use your instincts to proceed with an important matter. You will land on your feet. Tonight: Read between the lines.

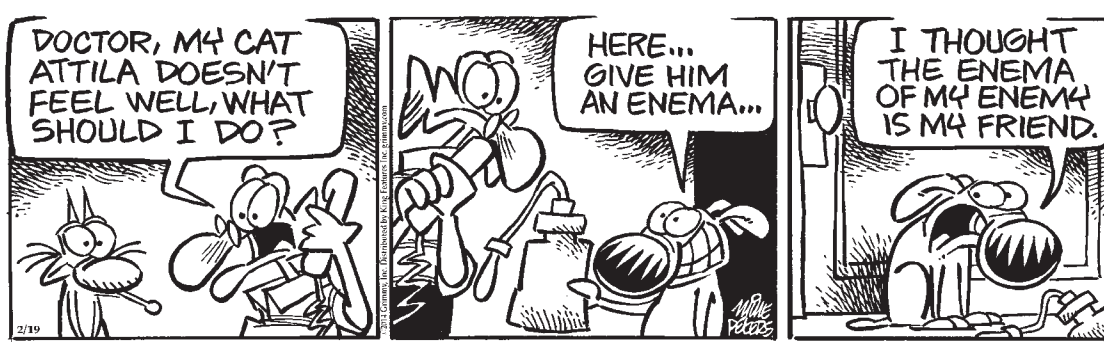
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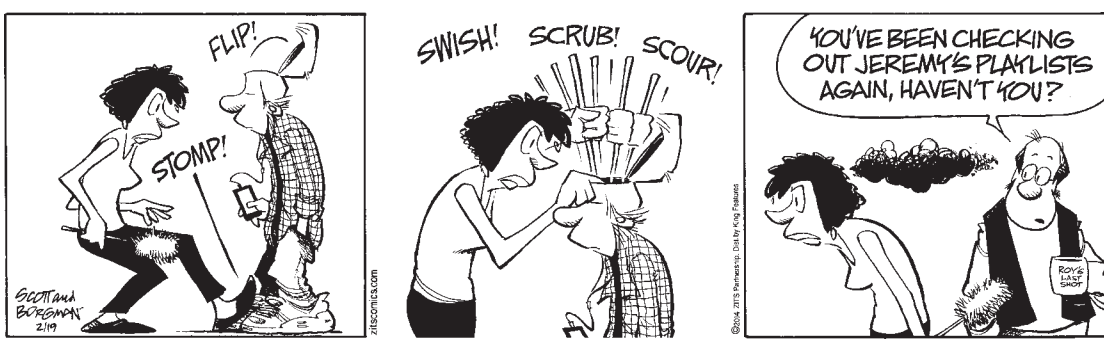
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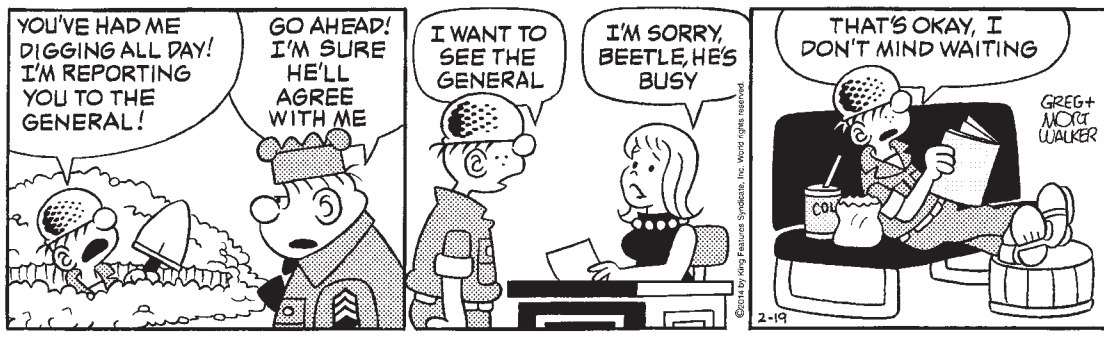
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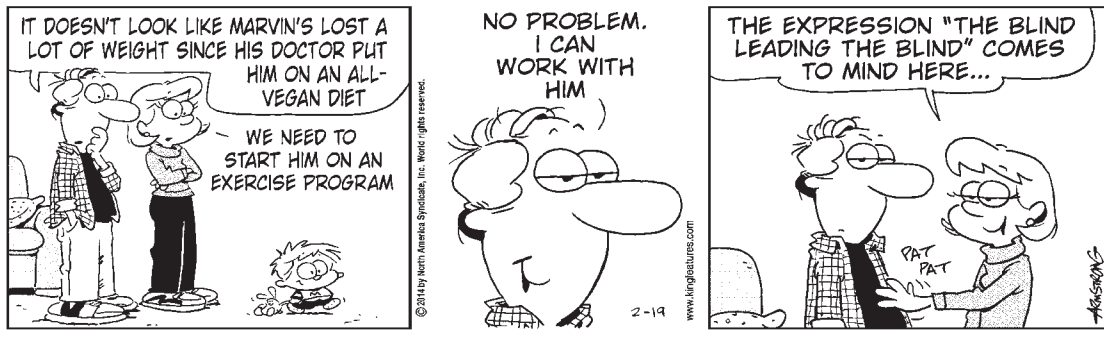
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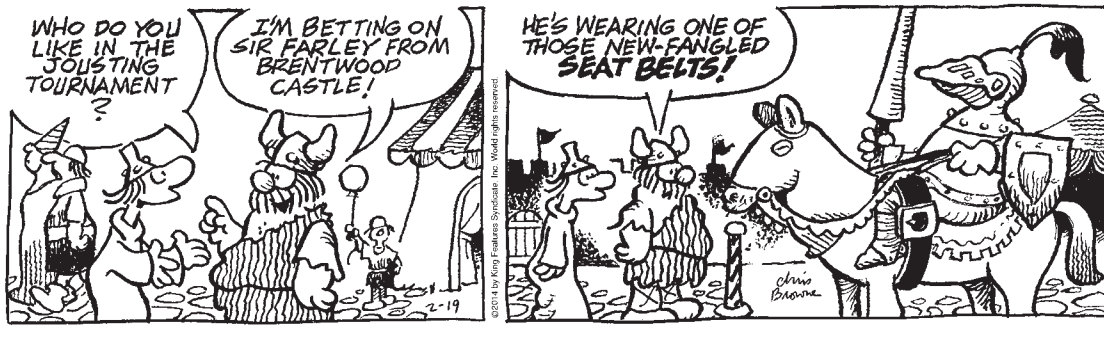
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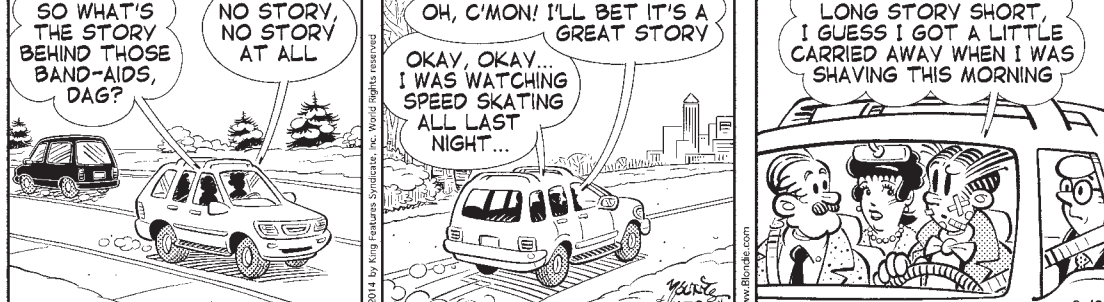
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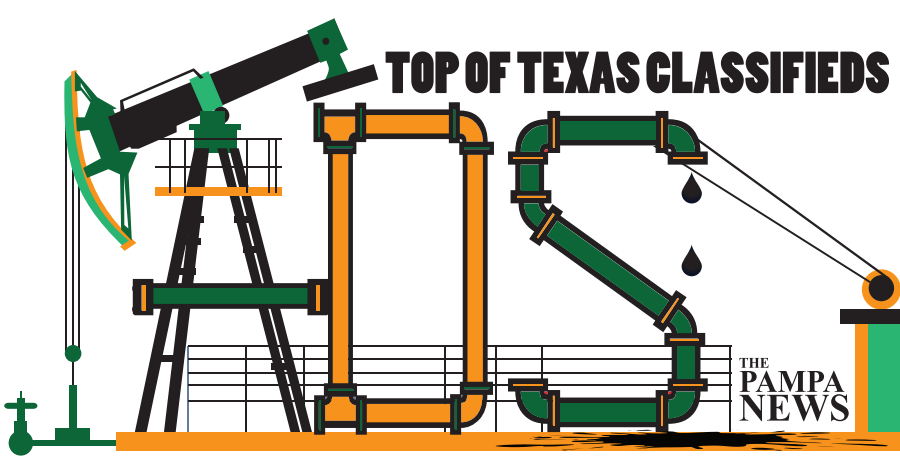
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SERNCGRP RFPSQPMCPQ SHQR  
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BE SGRRPX FEJ NSWXPQQNCP  
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— GBLXPJ TGXBPUNP  
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7 8 2 3 5 6 1 9 4  
3 6 7 8 1 2 9 4 5  
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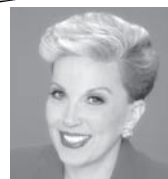
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Abby, we moved here from a conservative community where people were pretty much the same. If people were "different," they apparently kept it to themselves. While I understand the phrase "when in Rome," I don't feel we should have to compromise our values just to win the approval of our neighbors. But really, who is the true bigot here? Would you like to weigh in? — UNHAPPY IN TAMPA

DEAR UNHAPPY: I

sure would. The first thing I'd like to say is that regardless of what you were told in your previous community, a person's sexual orientation isn't a "lifestyle choice." Gay people don't choose to be gay; they are born that way. They can't change being gay any more than you can change being heterosexual.

I find it interesting that you are unwilling to reciprocate the hospitality of people who welcomed you and opened their homes to you, and yet you complain because you are receiving similar treatment.

From where I sit, you may have chosen the wrong place to live because it appears you would be happier in a less integrated neighborhood surrounded by people who think the way you do. But if you interact only with people like yourselves, you will have missed a chance for growth, which is what you have been offered here. Please don't

blow it.

DEAR ABBY: I'm 14 and in high school. My father died in a car accident when I was 8. A man who attends my church took me under his wing and has been like a father to me ever since. He is very supportive most of the time. However, he spans me with a belt when he feels I misbehave.

My mom doesn't know about it because she works long hours to support the family. I like the nurturing and encouragement this man gives me, but I can't take another beating. What should I do? — BLUE IN THE SOUTHWEST

DEAR BLUE: What you are describing is a form of child abuse. This "nurturing" man has no right to hit you. You shouldn't have to tolerate being beaten in order to feel supported.

Tell your mother what has been going on, or a teacher or a counselor at your school. You appear to be an intelligent young man. Your silence is what enables those beatings to continue, so please do not remain si-

lent about this any longer.

DEAR ABBY: If you are divorced from your wife, do her parents remain your in-laws? This is to settle a disagreement. — SHARON IN TEXAS

DEAR SHARON: Legally, no. But relationships are not always based on legality. Sometimes divorced couples

remain extended family members, particularly if there are children involved.

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Yesterday's answer

- 16 Make good as new  
18 Deterioration  
21 In — (aligned)  
23 Steered clear of  
24 One of the Krupps  
25 Turkish peak  
27 Big Ten's Fighting —  
28 Make numb  
29 Pile up  
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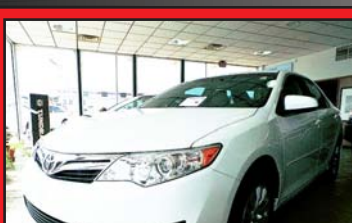
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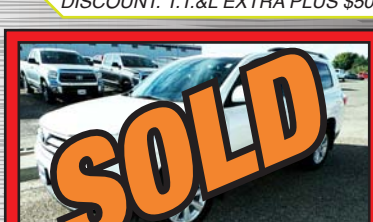
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# PampaSports

## Rangers' Ace Yu Darvish looks sharp in bullpen session for Texas

**SURPRISE, Ariz. (AP)** — Yu Darvish got right down to business when the Texas Rangers' pitchers and catchers reported to spring training on Sunday. Darvish and fellow starter Matt Harrison threw back-to-back bullpen sessions. Darvish will start on opening day on March 31 against Philadelphia and Harrison started the



**Yu Darvish**

outlet surgery on his non-throwing shoulder. "As far as Harrison goes, I just want him to get out of here healthy," Washington said. Derek Holland, the only Rangers starter who did not go on the disabled list last season, likely will miss the first half of the season after Jan. 10 knee surgery. Holland, who led Texas with 213 innings in 2013, is still on crutches and not in camp. "You're talking about a guy for the last four or five years that's been a horse for us as far as innings go," Wash-

ington said. "It's a big blow, but it's part of baseball in the area of adversity. We'll get through it. "One thing we feel like we have here is depth in our pitching. That means someone has to step up. When I heard the news about Derek, the only thing I thought about was getting him well and having him for later on in the year. Losing a Derek Holland, you're losing a ton of innings. It will be nice to have Derek back when he does return." The Rangers were ravaged by injuries last season and finished second to Oakland for the second straight year in the AL West standings. They tied Tampa Bay for the final wildcard berth, but then lost a one-game playoff to the Rays. "Just staying healthy, that's the one question I have," Washington said. "If we stay healthy, I like what we have. I just want us to stay healthy. We'll figure the rest of it out." Colby Lewis, who started the 2012 opener but did not pitch last year after having hip surgery, reported to camp and went out to play catch. "Let's go get this chicken wing loose," said Lewis, who will throw batting practice Monday. When it comes to the bullpen, Texas is looking for a closer after Joe Nathan signed a free-agent deal with Detroit. Washington mentioned Neftali Feliz, who logged 72 saves in 2010-11 but was limited to 4 2-3 innings last year after Tommy John surgery, and Joakim Soria, who has 160 career saves, as candidates that "did it before." He also said Tanner Scheppers was a possibility. "We'll let it play out," Washington said. "We've got options."

## As NBA resumes, next LeBron James-Kevin Durant matchup nears

**NEW ORLEANS (AP)** — LeBron James won't assume the eventual date with Indiana that so many others expect. He definitely has another one with Kevin Durant in just a few days. The NBA's two best players went their separate ways after the East's 163-155 victory over the West in Sunday's NBA All-Star game, but only temporarily. They will be back on the same floor Thursday in Oklahoma City, perhaps even joined by Russell Westbrook. Less than two months will remain in the regular season when play resumes Tuesday, with so much still to sort out in the loaded Western Conference. Things seem so much



**Lebron James**

Pacers lost Game 7 of the East finals in Miami last June, and they want home-court advantage if — when? — the teams meet again this spring. The Heat are interested in it too, though only to a finish to the first half, winning their final three games to take a four-game lead over injury-plagued San Antonio, the defending conference champion. Houston, the Los Angeles Clippers and Portland are all six games behind. Durant is the NBA's leading scorer and has a good chance to end James' reign as the league's MVP. The Thunder could get even stronger when Westbrook returns from knee surgery, perhaps even Thursday in their first game after the break. Durant scored 38 points in the All-Star game and has been unstoppable even



**Kevin Durant**

in games where there is defense, averaging 31.5 points. He had 33 in the Thunder's 112-95 victory in Miami last month, but scoring is only part of what he's done to help Oklahoma City to league-best 43-12 record even with only 25 games from Westbrook. "KD is a great player. He's a great teammate. He does all the things that we have asked," Thunder coach Scott Brooks said. "He doesn't want to be just a scorer. He wants to be a playmaker, a defender and that's what he's done all season for us." The trade deadline also is Thursday. The Heat and

## QB testifies in bid to form college athlete union

**CHICAGO (AP)** — The National Labor Relations Board opened a closely watched hearing Tuesday on a bid by Northwestern football players to form what would be the first union for college athletes in U.S. history. From a witnesses stand in a federal court building, Northwestern quarterback Kain Colter testified that players adhere to sometimes grueling schedules, putting in 40- to 50-hour weeks on football during and before the season. During August training, he said, players wake at 8 a.m. and often only finish practice at 10 p.m. "It's a job, there is no way around it — it's a job," said the 21-year-old Colter, who is a senior and whose college career is over. He is expected to be in Indianapolis later this week for the NFL combine, a series of pre-draft workouts for prospects. The key question for the NLRB is whether college football players qualify as employees; if they do, under U.S. law they would have the right to unionize. The Colter-led bid, which is supported by the Unit-

ed Steelworkers, is seen as a test case that could transform the landscape of college athletics. The NCAA and Big Ten Conference, which includes Northwestern, both maintain that college students are not employees whatever their participation in athletics. Colter's attorney, John Adam, told the NLRB panel that players are employees and scholarships amount to pay. "Being a football player at Northwestern is hard work. And make no mistake — it is work," Adam said. And, he added, the Wildcats' players earn "their compensation with blood, sweat and tears." An attorney representing the university, Alex Barbour, challenged the notion the players are employees. He said academics are at the core of a football player's experience at the school. "Academics always trumps athletics at Northwestern," he said. "Northwestern is not a football factory." Colter said most of the team's 85 scholarship players support forming a union — though he has been the only one to step forward publicly with the sup-

### Volleyball Standings

#### Mens & Womens

#### 4v4 Winter 2014

<u>Mens</u>		
	Conference	Overall
<b>RE/MAX</b>	4-1	7-1
<b>Domino's</b>	3-2	5-3
<b>Robert's Quality</b>	2-3	2-6
<b>Alpha Kenny One</b>	1-4	2-6

<u>Womens</u>		
	Conference	Overall
<b>Victorious Secret</b>	4-0	8-0
<b>City of Pampa</b>	3-1	5-3
<b>Quality Sales</b>	2-2	4-4
<b>G.I. Janes</b>	1-3	2-6
<b>Bomb Squad</b>	0-4	1-7

### Cornhole Standings

#### Winter 2014

<u>Doubles</u>	
	Overall
<b>The Portillo's</b>	13-2
<b>The Tuttle's</b>	13-2
<b>The Cornholios</b>	13-2
<b>The Hole Enchilada</b>	11-4
<b>Corn Stars</b>	7-8
<b>Hole in One</b>	7-7
<b>Hole Patrol</b>	7-7
<b>K Squared</b>	3-11
<b>The Cornhuskers</b>	2-13
<b>Team Bolton</b>	0-14

### Mixed Volleyball Standings

#### 4v4 Winter 2014

<u>Competitive</u>		
	Conference	Overall
<b>Kool Arrows</b>	8-0	9-1
<b>Westside Pkg.</b>	6-2	8-2
<b>RE/MAX</b>	6-2	7-3
<b>Safe-Vac</b>	2-6	3-7
<b>Temple Builder</b>	2-6	3-7
<b>Domino's</b>	0-8	0-10

<u>Recreational</u>		
	Conference	Overall
<b>SWM</b>	7-1	9-1
<b>Taylor Insurance</b>	7-1	9-1
<b>S*M*A*S*H</b>	6-2	6-4
<b>Briarwood Church</b>	2-6	2-8
<b>Xtra Auto</b>	1-7	3-7
<b>Utility Tire</b>	1-7	1-9



# PampaSports

## Harvesters fall to Estacado in Bi-district playoffs

By JOHN LEE  
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AMARILLO — The Pampa Harvesters' basketball team fell to Estacado of Lubbock 78-46 Monday night at Randall High School, ending their successful 15-13 season. Although the loss hurts the team, head coach Matt Embry is proud of the effort put forth by the Harvesters this season.

"It was a great season, we overcame a lot of adversity throughout the season," Embry said.

"We finished the season with a winning record. To me this game shows the importance of district, it's so important to win those close district games and close out the district so you don't run into teams like this in the first round."

Pampa scored first, off of a rebound and score from senior Cory Ponce. But Estacado went on a 6-0 scoring run, but the Harvesters did not go down without a fight. Attacking the perimeter effectively, the Harvesters looked to senior Ryan Powell for 3-pointers in the quarter, and it proved effective, with Powell going four-for-four in 3-point shooting. Sophomore Cade Engle also had a 3-pointer and a 2-pointer in the quarter, with the first ending with Pampa trailing 20-19.

Estacado's physical play was too much for the Har-

vesters in the second quarter as the Matadors outscored the Harvesters 25-9. The story of the quarter was trying to end runs by the Matadors, as Engle and Ponce each had 2-pointers, with senior Gabe Garcia hitting a 3-pointer. Senior Trey Miller was two-for-two in free throws, rounding out the Harvesters nine points.

"Congratulations to them, they played well. We knew they were going to let them play rough like that, they always do," Embry said.

"We worked on it all week being tough with the ball, one part we did good, but when we had lapses they came in spurts. That would let them go on 7-0, 8-0 and 9-0 runs on three separate occasions, that separated the lead. You know we had it at one, then it was at nine, then had it back at five, then it was at 12, then it was 17 at the half."

The Harvesters weren't able to get back into the game as they were constantly facing a double-digit deficit. The fourth quarter saw some highlights of younger talent that the Harvesters can look forward to utilizing. Sophomore Kambrin Scott hit a 3-pointer while Bryson Burrell had two 2-pointers for four points.

Senior Ryan Powell led the team in scoring, going five-for-six in 3-point

shooting and amassing 15 points. Seniors Cory Ponce and Gabe Garcia, along with sophomore Cade Engle, each had seven points. Bryson Burrell, in his first varsity game, had four points, with sophomore Kambrin Scott scoring three points. Senior Trey Miller had two points, to round out the scoring.

The Harvesters will be hit hard by graduation, as seniors Blayne Troxell, Ryan Powell, Trey Miller, Brandon Stokes, Gabe Garcia, Alex Marrufo and Cory Ponce will all be graduating.

"Graduation's going to hurt us. We are losing seven quality kids," Embry said.

"In past years, it's one of those situations where you gotta rebuild and move on, when the number of seniors has been so high like the last two years, it really makes you restructure your whole thought process of what you want to run. It's definitely going to do that to us. We are losing great post players in (Trey) Miller and (Cory) Ponce and (Gabe) Garcia. Losing some great guard play in (Ryan) Powell and (Brandon) Stokes and (Alex) Maruffo and (Blayne) Troxell. We are going to have to get back to the drawing board."

The Pampa News would like to congratulate the Hustlin' Harvesters on a successful season.



Above left, Trey Miller (14) attempts a 2-point shot. Above right, Gabe Garcia (23) wrestles the ball from Estacado. Below, cheerleaders keep the crowd in it at halftime.



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# PampaSports

## State wrestling round-up

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This past weekend the Pampa Harvester Wrestling Team competed in the UIL State Championship Wrestling Tournament held in Garland. Competitors qualifying for the tournament were senior 285-pound Isidro Estrada, sophomore 170-pound JT Belcourt, and sophomore 119-pound Shiann Regalado.

The two day tournament is made up of two classes. 5A schools compete and class 4A-1A schools compete together. The Top 16 wrestlers in each weight class vie for the prestige of standing on top of the podium and claiming the title of best in Texas.

First round competition went well for the Harvesters as all three claimed victories and advanced to the second round. Belcourt advanced with an 11-4 decision over Raymond Jimenez from Dallas Carter Riverside. Estrada advanced by pinning Cordarrell Davis from Summer Creek in 3:45. Regalado advanced by pinning Logan

Mize from Frisco Liberty in an outstanding :42 seconds.

The second round did not go as well for the Pampa Grapplers. All three competitors lost to their opponents and fell to the consolation brackets. Those opponents that the Harvesters fell to would all eventually make it to their respective finals.

Wrestling head coach Clint Wood stated, "Fighting your way through the backside of a state tournament bracket is not easy. Everyone is leaving it all on the mat. One more loss and you go home with nothing. You have to make it to the consolation semifinals to get on the podium, receive a medal and attain the title of a 'Texas High School Wrestling All-Stater.'"

In the consolation brackets, Belcourt had victories over Nation Gibrick of Wylie 11-2, Jaede Davis of McCallum 5-4, Tyler Johnson of Amarillo 9-6 which put him in the consolation finals where he met Dustin Martinez of Boswell. Belcourt pulled out a 9-8 victory and a third place finish.

About Belcourt, Wood said, "JT wrestled great. Had some very close matches that could have gone either way. What JT has is a very calm, relaxed style of wrestling that allows him to score points in very precarious situations

that most wrestlers would not give themselves an opportunity to score in."

Estrada competed very well in the consolation bracket.

Coach Wood said, "Sid should have never been on the backside to begin with. His only loss of the tournament came on a very questionable last second call that cost Sid a trip to the finals. Everyone in the Culwell Center knew Sid had scored that take-down, but sometimes calls don't go your way."

On his way to an outstanding 3rd place medal, Estrada defeated Justin Scarbro of Azle 3-2, Trevor Kleis of Frisco Liberty by pinfall in :56 seconds, Josh Hurlbut from East View by a score of 2-0 and in the consolation finals Estrada finished off his illustrious career as a Harvester wrestler by pinning Cordarrell Davis again, this time in 3:33.

Coach Wood stated, "Sid wrestled his best matches of the year here at the State Tournament. Very proud of him and the others that represented Pampa, our community, our school, our coaches and our wrestling program with distinction. They did an outstanding job here this weekend."

The Pampa Wrestling Booster Club and the Harvester Wrestling Team will hold their wrestling banquet March 5 and will hold their post season pancake breakfast fundraiser March 22 in the High School Commons.



**Isidro Estrada**



**Shiann Regalado**



**JT Belcourt**

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