

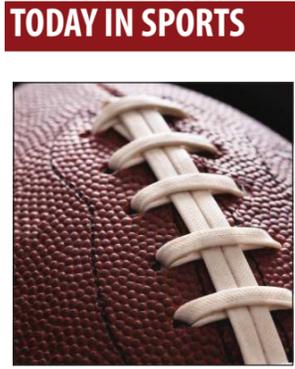
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## JUST ENOUGH TO HAVE A LIL' FUN



Submitted photo via The Pampa News Facebook page

April Dewey said her son, Adrian Dewey, 2, couldn't run fast enough to make a snow angel once she opened the doors! There wasn't a lot of snow in Pampa, but there was just enough to have a little fun like little Adrian did. The recorded snowfall for Pampa was just one inch.

### ■ Pampa misses brunt of storm.

By ZACHARY GREEN  
 zgreen@thepampanews.com

It turned out to be a bust of a winter storm for us here in Pampa.

Despite the television and National Weather Service expecting 2-5" for the entire Panhandle, Pampa only recorded one inch of snow over the weekend.

The storm had a little more dry air in the upper levels than expected.

That caused the delay in the storms arrival and power for the eastern Panhandle.

Locations out west did receive quite a dumping. Here are some area snowfall totals.

- 18 miles southeast of Newkirk, N.M. got a foot of snow.
- Logan, N.M. had seven inches.
- Rhea had the most in Texas with nine inches.
- Bootleg had seven inches.
- Hereford had six inches.
- Amarillo had four inches, but only two inches at the National Weather Service office.

Monday was a rather warm day considering how cold it was all of last week.

That helped to melt most of the remaining snow in Pampa.

What can we expect for the rest of the week?

It looks to be sunny all week with just a very slight chance of flurries on Wednesday.

The chances are so slim that there is not a percent chance given by NWS.

Thursday looks to be the only day with a high above freezing, other than Monday, with a high of 41. Today expect temperatures to get to about 30.

Wednesday we will be lucky to top over 20 degrees. Friday the high will be about 27.

Tuesday the winds look to remain calm, until after midnight, when the winds are expected to increase to 15-20 mph.

Wednesday the winds will stay high all day at 15-20 mph, with gusts to 25.

The winds will stay that high until Thursday night when they are expected to calm back down again at 5-10 mph.

The 10-day forecast looks clear of any precipitation, but we will let you know of any changes.

The Pampa News always accepts submitted photos from readers. They can be pictures of the weather, pictures of your kids playing at the park, pictures of your garden. We accept any photos.

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## Trees for sale at Gray County Soil and Water

SUBMITTED BY GRAY COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION OFFICE

Well it's getting that time again. Tree sales are beginning.

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If you would like for them to mail you an order form they would be more than happy to get that sent out to you.

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Tree orders will end in the middle of March. Some of the trees that can be ordered in the Hardwood area are Afghan Pine, American Plum, Austrian Pine, Baldcypress, Deodar Cedar, Desert Willow, Fourwig Saltbush, Hackberry, and Italian Stone Pine.

Ones that can be ordered in the Bareroot category are Bur Oak, Sawtooth Oak, Shumard Oak, and Pecan. Now remember we have others that can be ordered as well.

Please contact Katrina Winkler at 806-665-1751 Ext 3 with the Gray County Soil and Water Conservation District.

We will be more than happy to mail you order forms if need be or you can stop in and pick one up Monday through Friday 8 a.m. to 1 p.m..



## PHS and Clarendon College team up for Financial Aid Night

SUBMITTED

Pampa High School and Clarendon College will host Financial Aid Night for seniors, juniors and their parents at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 8 in the Commons area of the high school.

Financial Aid Night is designed to help explain and simplify the process of applying for financial assistance to attend college or vocational schools.

Clarendon College's financial aid officer will be providing information and answering questions pertaining to all areas of application.

The information will cover what tests seniors need to take, the differences in grants and scholarships, the FAFSA, work-study and many other details.

Parents are encouraged to attend, even if their students are unable to be there.

Financial assistance is available from many directions that parents and students are not always familiar with. Clarendon College and PHS want to be sure that everyone knows how to find what they need.

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## PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Wednesday	Thursday
		
High 30 Low 11	High 20 Low 9	High 41 Low 18

**Today:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 30. North northeast wind 5 to 10 mph. Sunrise at 7:54 a.m.

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 11. East wind 5 to 15 mph. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph. Sunset at 5:46 p.m.

**Wednesday:** Scattered flurries after 7 a.m. Partly sunny, with a high near 20. North northeast wind 15 to 20 mph, Sunrise at 7:54 a.m.

**Wednesday night:** Scattered flurries before 7 p.m. Partly cloudy, with a low around 9. North-east wind 10 to 15 mph. Sunset at 5:47 p.m.

**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 41. South southwest wind 10 to 15 mph. Sunrise at 7:54 a.m.

**Thursday night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 18. North northeast wind 5 to 10 mph. Sunset at 5:48 p.m.

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## George Edward "Eddie" Chandler

George Edward "Eddie" Chandler, 61, from Odessa, was born July 1, 1953, in Abilene to Roy Don and Virgie Bernice Chandler. Eddie stepped into his eternal life with the Lord Dec. 31, 2014.



George Edward Chandler

There will be open visitation in Odessa was on Sunday, Jan. 4, 2015, at Acres West Funeral Chapel from 1 to 9 p.m. and all day Monday. Visitation in Gunsight, Texas will be at Gunsight Baptist Church on Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2015, from 2 to 6 p.m. Graveside services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2015, at Harpersville Cemetery near Breckenridge, Texas officiated by Erron Mercer.

Eddie had been in a coma for 26 years following a motorcycle accident in 1988. His sister, Barbara "Babs" Nance, was his caregiver for all that time. Eddie was a real fighter and a very strong man. Eddie was all about enjoying life. He was always up for a good practical joke or anything that would be fun. He loved making memories with his family. Eddie worked as a truck driver up until the accident. He was a hard worker who took good care of his family and loved his children very much. Eddie will be greatly missed.

Eddie is survived by one daughter: Sonia Mercer and husband Erron of Wheeler; three sons: Jerry Chandler and wife Velinda of Odessa, Philip Chandler and wife

Amanda of Shamrock and Vernon Ellis of Odessa; seven grandchildren; three sisters: Barbara Nance, Glenda Parrshall and husband Ted and Linda Edwards, all of Odessa; two brothers: Cole Chandler and wife Chrystal of Odessa and Roy Chandler of San Angelo and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife: Rebecca Chandler; father: Roy Don Chandler; mother: Virgie Bernice (Clary) Chandler; sister: Brenda Kay Kenney Brych; nephew: Roger Rogers and nieces: Sandy Nance and Kaitlen Parker.

A special thank you goes out to Nurses Unlimited, especially Pam and April, for all their help and support, Golder Pharmacy, and Dr. Kodi and his staff. Arrangements are entrusted to Acres West Funeral Chapel and condolences to the family may be sent online at [acreswestfuneral.com](http://acreswestfuneral.com).

## Nadine Thompson



Nadine Thompson

Nadine Thompson, 98, of Amarillo, died Sunday, Jan. 4, 2015, in Amarillo.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. MST Thursday, January 8, 2015, at Tucumcari Memorial Park with Rusty Tapp officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors in Pampa.

Mrs. Thompson was born April 28, 1916, in Vinson, Okla. She married Lloyd Thompson in 1932 and he preceded her in death in 1959. Nadine had been an Amarillo resident since

1962. She was a seamstress and she worked at Furr's Cafeteria. Nadine was a member of the First Church of the Nazarene in Amarillo.

Nadine was preceded in death by two sisters, Gracie Chambers and Clara Odom, and four brothers, Jack Brown, Travis brown, Coy Brown and Rex Brown.

Survivors include a daughter, Linda Young of Amarillo; a granddaughter, Michelle Tapp and husband Rusty of Pampa, and two great-granddaughters, Cayley Tapp and Camryn Tapp both of Pampa.

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## Larry Wayne Darnell

Larry Wayne Darnell, 65, of Denver, Colo., formerly of Pampa, passed away Dec. 30, 2014. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Heartland Funeral Home of Comanche.

Larry is survived by sisters, Darlene Courtney and husband Mack, Marlene Shaw and husband Jackie; numerous nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents Thelma and Elmer Darnell; brother Geary and sister Rayma.

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## Borger woman arrested on assault charges

STAFF REPORT

• Katie Dawn Marie Bennett, 23, Borger, was arrested Friday by the Pampa Police Department for two charges of assault on a family member with a previous conviction — Hutchinson County warrant.

• Connie Smith, 31, Pampa, was arrested Tuesday by the Gray County Sheriff's Office for public intoxication, expired registration, violation of promise to appear, no insurance/inspection.

• Dale Aaron Dallas, 31, Amarillo, was arrested Wednesday by PPD for evading arrest with a vehicle, blue warrant, unauthorized use of a motor

vehicle.

• Valerie Marie Vigil, 29, Pampa, was arrested Wednesday by PPD for capias pro fine — driving on the wrong side of the road, capias pro fine — violation of promise to appear, prostitution — Potter County.

• German Cesar Hurtado, 27, Houston, was arrested Thursday by GCSO for evading arrest or detention with a vehicle.

• Nicholas Lee Brookshire, 35, Pampa, was arrested Friday by GCSO for an expired operator's license, displaying an expired registration, violation of promise to appear.

• Michael Ray Waldrip, 24, Pampa, was arrested Friday by GCSO for a blue

• Rikki Lee Bogue, 17, Pampa, was arrested Friday by GCSO for capias pro fine — driving without headlights, capias pro fine — failure to yield, capias pro fine — no driver's license, capias pro fine — minor in possession of tobacco.

• Anthony Shane Davis, 47, Miami, was arrested Friday by GCSO for possession of a controlled substance — less than one gram.

• Tyler Benjamin Tatum, 47, Pampa, was arrested Saturday by PPD for violation of probation — aggravated assault with a deadly

weapon, violation of probation — assault on a family or household member impeding breathing or circulation.

• Braden Tipper Kelley, 20, Powderly, Texas, was arrested Saturday by GCSO for fraudulent use or possession of identifying information — 50 items or more.

• Gabriel Castro, 35, Pampa, was arrested Sunday by PPD for a blue warrant.

• Alfredo Benitez, 20, Pampa, was arrested Sunday by PPD for assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

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# Prairie Plains Perspective

## Prolific pigeons cause paramount problems for the public

What is it, I was recently asked, do I have against pigeons.



**DENNIS PALMITIER**

Pigeons are a scourge upon urban dwelling humankind, the reasons which I will allude to forthwith and particularly so, in my closing paragraph.

With last week's Dusseldorf dork's \$196,250 heisted homing pigeon still wrecking havoc on my mindset and coupled with my never ending thoughts over what Pampa's city fathers could do to curtail Pampa's prolific pooping pigeon population, I've done some...ahem...brooding. The above question forced me to seek out for you the reader, answers on why I believe our pigeon population is a crisis that needs to be attended to post haste. I found through much pain-staking effort and research for you the reader, answers that hopefully you will glean and convey to our city fathers? In other words, I think Pampa's pigeon problems deserve the same consternation and attention from concerned

citizens as did an intended 17.5 percent tax rate increase!

All one has to do is note where Pampa's pigeons like to roost. Atop our historic Post Office building, atop our historic [sic.] covrt hovse, atop our historic (getting there) city hall, atop every single downtown commercial building. Excluding downtown, there are three more separate feral pigeon populations on Hobart St. from Las Pampas Mall ending at The Pampa Mall out on Perryton Parkway. I'd bet the ranch there are more pigeons in Pampa than people...

Pigeons are not native to North America. The feral pigeon is a descendant of European homing pigeons introduced to this side of the pond back in the 1600's. Availability of food, fresh water and nesting sites for feral pigeons in urban centers have made for prolific breeding opportunities. Their life span is three to four years (ever witness one flying about and just drop from the sky? Fun!) Feral pigeons like much of avifauna, are monogamous and will produce three to four broods per year of one to two eggs

each. Do the math... Pigeons do not migrate and stay (obvious) near their birth site. City fathers, please note that fact when it comes to federal government migratory bird regs and rules when searching for ways to eradicate the pests...

For humankind the presence of feral pigeons can result in a range of problems. Roosting pigeon populations attract ticks, cockroaches, mites, lice, mice and rats. Pigeon (all birds) poop is highly acidic and corrosive. In unkept and amassed amounts on rooftops, it can lead to damage to buildings by creating leaks. Any bird feces when unattended to and left on auto paint ruins the finish. Damage to property by feral pigeons getting into roofing space is a huge cost to businesses creating escalating insurance premiums. One single feral pigeon is strong enough to lift (Post Office) a roof tile in order to nest. Businesses are liable, due to bird feces, if a customer slips and falls resulting in injury to their person. Inhalation of feral pigeon fecal and nesting dust can lead to deadly health consequences. Same with coming into contact with bird feces from the likes of hand rails, outdoor recreation equipment and performing routine building maintenance.

Can feral pigeon populations be controlled? Given their prolific breeding habits maintaining control can be difficult, however, there are ways to eradicate the pests. Licensed pest control operators use a seed laced painless narcotic agent that literally, puts the birds to sleep. Course, rapid clean up of carcasses is paramount and there's that

dropping out of the sky issue... Some folks are worried the birds dying an inhumane death. Not I... Other bird species may gobble up the laced seed? Sparrows, starlings and grackles for the most part and the fact, there are no other bird species in downtown and out Hobart to worry over, so no great loss there... Some folks tend to forget mankind is at the top of the food chain. Not I...

It was back in 1978. I've suffered the resulting PTSD ever since, the nightmares, the ridicule, the needed therapy... I was endeavoring in my pharmaceutical sales career down San Antonio way. I had just finished a remarkable sales presentation at a hospital that would result with increased business for my company, ergo increased income for me. I was ecstatic. I was the cock of the walk! I was in the hospital's parking lot unlocking my auto's door when I noticed a sizable flock of feral pigeons rounding the building's corner closest to the parking lot. How nice I (then) thought to myself about the flying overhead feral pigeons as I continued working my auto's door when all of a sudden! Plop on my suit's shoulder, splat upon my head, plop-splat upon my extended suit's sleeve and plop-plop-splat-splat down my collar and suit's back! Prejudiced about pigeons? Moi? Never!

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**Patsy Lynn "Pat" Howard**

### Patsy Lynn "Pat" Howard

Patsy Lynn "Pat" Howard, 63, died Jan. 4, 2015 in Pampa. Services are pending with Carmichael-Whately Funeral Directors. Mrs. Howard was born June 18, 1951 in Wichita Falls. As a young girl, her family moved to Pampa where she attended Pampa schools. She married Rick Howard on Nov. 25, 1986 in Amarillo. Her greatest enjoyment was spending time with

her husband, children and grandchildren, and she will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Pat was preceded in death by a brother, James Edward Kerr.

Survivors include her husband, Rick Howard of the home; two sons, Clint Hinds of Woodward, Okla., and Casey Hinds of Pampa; two daughters, Katrina Hernandez and husband James, and Meagen Howard and husband Chris Hill, all of Pampa; her parents, Glenn and Juanita Kerr of Wichita Falls; a sister, Glenda Simpson and husband M. C., of Pampa; eleven grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews, including a special niece, Tracy Kerr of Wichita Falls.

Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, P.O. Box 1000, Department 142, Memphis, Tennessee 38101-9908.

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

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## Letter to the Editor

# Christmas spirit at the Pampa Nursing Center

The Christmas spirit came alive for me this year as friends and strangers stepped up to make this a merrier Christmas for me and the other residents at the Pampa Nursing Center. When the center missed the deadline to apply for grant money to buy gifts for its residents, the community stepped up in a big way to save Christmas!

It all started when the nursing home staff decided to "adopt" a resident and buy gifts for that resident. When word about the "Adopt-A-Resident" program got out, other people wanted to help,

and it spread from there. The newspaper and TV station ran stories about the program, and that's when it really took off.

The center was flooded with phone calls from people wanting to help. Church and civic groups as well as other people donated money or bought gifts. Many did so anonymously.

The community came through in a big way to make this a brighter Christmas for all the residents at the nursing home. At our Christmas party Dec. 17, we all had packages to open.

I got pants and a shirt, bottles of soap and body wash and enough snacks to feed the entire nursing home for a year! I got so much candy that I could open a candy store in my room.

After the Christmas party, other groups came and dropped off gifts and MORE candy.

I appreciate the staff and all those who gave to make this a very merry Christmas. Thank you and God bless.

**Chris Ely  
Pampa**

## Carmakers finish strong in 2014, are even better days ahead

DETROIT (AP) — Buoyed by a resurgent economy, holiday sales, cheap gasoline and a love affair with pickup trucks, Americans headed to car dealers in droves last month, pushing full-year sales to what's likely to be the highest level since 2006.

Fiat Chrysler, Nissan, Honda and General Motors all reported strong December and annual U.S. sales early Monday, with Nissan and Honda hitting record numbers for the year. Ford faltered during the year but it remained the top-selling brand in the U.S.

The figures pointed to a strong finish for 2014. Analysts are predicting sales of 16.5 million vehicles, up 6 percent from last year and a return to pre-recession levels. And analysts say Americans will continue to buy cars in big numbers this year. They're predicting sales of 17 million for the first time since 2005, close to the record of 17.3 million set in 2000.

Kelley Blue Book expected December sales to be up nearly 10 percent over the previous year to 1.5 million, thanks to holiday promotions and milder-than-usual weather. Automakers report U.S. December and full-year U.S. sales on Monday.

"Automakers should be grinning as they close the books this year," said John Krafcik, president of the TrueCar.com auto buying site.

Fiat Chrysler led the way with a 16 percent increase over 2013, selling just over 2 million cars and trucks. It was the company's best year since 2006. Nissan and Honda also reported gains in December with both Japanese automakers setting sales records.

Fiat Chrysler was led by the Ram pickup truck, with sales up 24 percent for the year. Pickup truck sales rebounded for nearly all automakers through 2014 as small businesses regained confidence and gas prices fell, making the trucks more

attractive. Sales of the Jeep Cherokee small SUV were seven times larger than last year, reaching nearly 179,000. Jeep brand sales rose 41 percent for the year to more than 692,000 vehicles, an annual record.

SUVs of all sizes also were hot sellers last year as buyers went for higher seating positions and better cargo-hauling space.

Nissan said its sales grew 11 percent for the year to 1.39 million to set an annual record for the company. Nissan brand sales were up 12 percent for the year, led by the redesigned Rogue small SUV with sales up 22 percent.

At General Motors, a 19 percent sales gain in December helped drive annual sales up 5 percent to 2.94 million cars and trucks.

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The Team KID's of Cornerstone Baptist Church had a busy December. They caroled and took gifts to the homebound, they sang in a morning worship and they had a party at Jump and Jive. All children ages four through fifth grade are invited to attend at the church on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Call the church at 669-6509 for more information.

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# Community Calendar

## City Commission meetings

The Pampa City Commission meets at 5:30 p.m. the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. The meetings are held on the third floor of City Hall.

## School board meetings

The Pampa Independent School District board meets at 5:45 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month at the new administration building on North Hobart Street.

## Immunization clinic three times a month

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) hosts an immunization clinic in Pampa three times a month. The clinics are held from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1 to 3 p.m. on the first three Wednesdays of each month. The first 10 people in line for the morning and first 10 in the afternoon will always receive shots. However, if there are more than 10, they still may be able to accommodate the patients, or ask them to come back at another time. The Department of State Health Services can be reached at 806-669-5323 and is located at 121 S. Gillespie St. in Pampa.

## PAWS meets first Tuesdays

Pampa Animal Welfare Society meets the first Tuesday of each month at the Pampa Animal Shelter, 811 S. Hobart St. The meetings are at 6:30 p.m. and are open to the public.

There is a desperate need for more members. PAWS members are needed to work at the shelter from 3 to 5:30 p.m. each day and to work adoption days or take animals to the vets when needed, but mostly people are needed

to love and work with the animals where they will be more adoptable.

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

## County Commission meetings

The Gray County Commission meets at 9 a.m. on the first and 15th of each month. If the date falls on a Saturday, the meeting will be held on Friday. If the date falls on a Sunday, the meeting will be held on Monday. The meetings are held on the second floor of the Gray County Courthouse.

## TOT Republican Women's Club

Top O' Texas Republican Women's Club meets at noon on the third Wednesday of every month at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center, 500 W. Francis St. For more information call 806-669-1990.

## Jam sessions every Friday night

The Woody Guthrie Folk Music Center has a jam session every Friday night starting at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to play or listen. The center is located at 320 S. Cuyler St. For more information, call 806-664-0824.

## Meredith House presents live music

Meredith House, an assisted-living facility at 812 W. 25th Ave., has a band performing at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday and Saturday night. Join them for Western music, gospel and the classics. For more information, call 806-665-5668.

## Monday night dance club

The Monday night dance club meets from 7 to 9 p.m., each Monday, in

the Pampa Chamber of Commerce building on the corner of Ballard and Kingsmill. Admission is \$3.50. Cold drinks and coffee are offered. The club plays country music. For more information, call Della at 806-663-1136.

## PPQG Meets fourth Thursdays

Panhandle Piecemakers Quilt Guild meets the fourth Thursday of each month, January through October, at the Pampa Senior Citizens Center at 500 W. Francis St.

The meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. and membership is open to adult quilters of all ages. Dues are \$15 annually. Meetings consist of a short business discussion followed by a program featuring quilting techniques. For more information, call 806-662-2909.

## Pampa Post VFW meetings

Pampa Post VFW, Men's Auxiliary, and Ladies Auxiliary meet the second and fourth Tuesday of every month. There is a social hour with meal at 6 p.m. and the meetings begin at 7 p.m. For questions, call Danny Martin at 806-662-4367.

## CASA of the High Plains

CASA of the High Plains will be open from 6-7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month for persons interested in becoming a CASA Volunteer. The CASA office is located in the Brown Alliance for

Children at 315 N. Ballard Street in Pampa.

CASA volunteers are appointed by a Judge to represent the Best Interest of children who have been removed from their homes due to abuse and neglect. Volunteers are crucial to positive outcomes for children in the foster care system.

You may contact CASA at 806-669-7638 for more information.

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# Church Calendar

## Hi-Land Christian Church

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

Pastor Sublett said, "Both classes are advanced in that they have a weekly reading assignment and

weekly handout pages that will supply each student with a significant notebook for continued study. I will also be recording each class so that everyone can have the audio in case they want to review something later."

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

## Cornerstone Baptist Church

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

## New Life Assembly of God

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

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

Services are Sunday at 10 a.m. and

Sundays and Wednesdays at 7 p.m. **Mary Ellen and Harvester Church of Christ**

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

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

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

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

For more information call 806-665-0031.

## First United Methodist Church

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

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

For more information call 806-669-7411.

## McLean Cowboy Church

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

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

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

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

For more information, call 806-779-0260.

## Southside Church of Christ

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

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

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



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## Perry, Cruz among big GOP names to see Texas AG take oath

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Gov. Rick Perry and U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz are among several powerful Texas Republicans scheduled to attend the swearing-in of new state Attorney General Ken Paxton.

Gov.-elect Greg Abbott will also see his successor take the oath of office Monday. Abbott had been attorney general since 2003 and spent that time saving his biggest battles for the federal government, suing the Obama administration 30 times.

Paxton was a state senator who coasted to victory in November. He kept a low profile most of last year after being fined \$1,000 by state financial regulators for soliciting investment clients without registering.

Aides have called that mattered settled and an administrative oversight.

Being attorney general has lately been a stepping stone in Texas politics. Before Abbott, U.S. Sen. John Cornyn held the job.

## Food drive honoring MLK to kick off this week

EL PASO (AP) — The city of El Paso is collecting food donations as a way to honor Martin Luther King Jr. and his efforts.

The El Paso Times reports the 15th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Canned Food Drive will start Monday. It will last through Jan. 19, which is the federal holiday commemorating King's birthday.

Donations can be dropped off at various locations in El Paso and will be used to stock pantries of organizations that serve the needy. An El Paso Public Library official says the food drive is a way to give back to the community, as King advocated.



# Back of the pack: Texas trails in tobacco-prevention spending

JOHN MICHAELSON  
Texas News Service

AUSTIN - The latest report on how well states are funding tobacco prevention and cessation efforts has Texas in the back of the pack, ranked 40th in the nation.

According to the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, Texas will take in close to \$2 billion in tobacco revenue this year, while spending just \$11 million to prevent children from starting and to help smokers quit.

The group's spokesman, John Schachter, says that's only 4 percent of what the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends.

"Texas is definitely one of the states that gets a failing grade when it comes to devoting sufficient resources to tobacco prevention," he says. "Therefore, we are still seeing the youth smoking rate is 14 percent, which is still way too high."

The adult smoking rate in Texas is about 16 percent, and each year in the state there are some 28,000 thousand related deaths.

Nationwide, Schachter notes that states are collecting more than \$25 billion this year from tobacco taxes and lawsuit settlement dollars, but are spending less than 2 percent of that on prevention and cessation programs.

"And those numbers are indicative that those states are literally sacrificing the lives and health of kids, and it's something which doesn't have to be the case," he stresses.

Tobacco use is the leading cause of preventable death in the United States, killing nearly a 500,000 Americans each year.

# Weather forecasts could become seeding forecasts

■ Texas A&M AgriLife studies planting rates based on anticipated moisture.

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COLLEGE STATION – A Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Servicestate cropping system specialist hopes producers can use the weather forecast for not only deciding how to dress, but to alter management practices based on expected conditions.

The research project, "Optimizing Grain Sorghum Seeding Rates for Anticipated Hydrologic Conditions," is led by Dr. Ronnie Schnell, AgriLife Extension specialist in the Texas A&M University soil and crop sciences department.

Joining Schnell in the research are Ryan Collet, AgriLife Extension agent in Hill County; Dr. Tony Provin, AgriLife Extension soil chemist, College Station; Russell Sutton, Texas A&M AgriLife Research associate research scientist, Commerce; and Jon Gersbach, AgriLife Extension agent for Milam County. This work was supported by the Texas Sorghum Producers.

"What we are trying to do with this project is determine: If we have an idea what the weather is going to be and the seasonal rainfall outlook, can we alter our manage-

ment practices based on those long range forecasts?" Schnell said.

If the forecast can be utilized, he said, this could give producers an opportunity to reduce seeding rates significantly if drier than normal conditions are expected, as well as other yield-based inputs such as nitrogen to match anticipated moisture conditions.

"Excessive plant populations can exacerbate soil moisture limitations and result in lower yields, stalk rot diseases and lodging in grain sorghum," Schnell said.

He said finding the optimum seeding rate is complicated by the variability of pre-season soil moisture and in-season precipitation.

In its first year, this study evaluated grain sorghum yield in response to increasing seeding rates and contrasting soil moisture conditions in the central and northern Blacklands of Texas.

The trials were imposed at five locations in the central and northern Blacklands. April and May precipitation was slightly below normal, while June precipitation was well above normal.

Over the three months, precipitation was in line with forecasted conditions. Winter precipitation, although variable, had been sufficient to recharge the soil profile before planting.

"We looked at seeding rates and we wanted to know if we could identify optimum population rates for given hydrological conditions and then if we could use some of the long-term forecast to adjust our seeding rates," Schnell said.

This year at planting time, precipitation was not expected to be above or below normal, so no adjustment to normal seeding rates would be justified.

"But, what we did see in June as the crop reached critical growth stages and water use started to peak was depletion of profile soil moisture," he said. "This year we also had above-normal precipitation in June, so we had the water to replenish that profile. But we know the soil moisture was rapidly depleted during later growth stages, possibly resulting in brief periods of moisture stress at all

locations."

Without timely rainfall, moisture stress would have intensified and higher plant populations may not have been successful, Schnell said.

He said in this first year of testing, the optimum population rate for the sites was near what the normal recommendation would be because of the predicted moisture.

"We have to keep in mind that for this year we had a full profile planting and had some very timely heavy rainfalls during the growth stages, so this year will represent a year where higher seeding rates would be successful," Schnell said.

"However, there are other years that we suspect if we did not get normal rainfall, it would certainly justify reductions to those seeding rates and that would help to maintain and reduce some of the secondary issues you come up with when moisture is limited."

Schnell said they will try to continue the study at some level next year and have a broader range of moisture-level conditions to compare.

# Area support groups

The following is a list of support groups that meet regularly each week in Pampa. Information for each meeting is submitted to The Pampa News office and may not be completely updated or accurate. Please notify the newsroom if a change is necessary.

The Pampa News welcomes all submitted materials for area support groups. Please include the meeting time, date and location and, if applicable, provide a contact number for each group.

■ **Victims of domestic violence and sexual assault**, meet at 6 p.m., Thursdays, starting June 26 at the Tralee Crisis Center, 308 S. Cuyler St. For more info, call the Center at 806-669-1131.

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# PampaSports

## EXTRA INNINGS

## The PAMPA NEWS Sports Briefs

### ■ We are looking for more writers.



**ZACHARY GREEN**

At the Pampa News we are always actively searching for more writers to help write local columns and/or articles for us. If you think you may be

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*Zachary Green is the sports editor at The Pampa News and youth minister at Mary Ellen and Harvester church of Christ. He can be reached at zgreen@thepampanews.com or on Twitter: @okiecowpoke14.*

**Girls Basketball**  
JV, Varsity at Tascosa.....5/6:30 - TODAY - Amarillo  
7th/8th girls v Perryton.....5/6:15 - Jan. 8 - PJHS  
9th/JV/Varsity at Dalhart.....4:30/6/7:30 - Jan. 9 - Dalhart

**Boys Basketball**  
9th/JV/V v. Childress.....4:30/6/7:30 - TODAY - McNeely  
7th/8th girls at Perryton.....5/6:15 - Jan. 8 - Perryton  
JV/Varsity at Fritch.....6/7:30 - Jan. 9 - Fritch

**Soccer**  
Girls at Canyon.....5/7 - TODAY - Canyon  
Boys v. Frenship/Dumas...4/7:30 - TODAY - Harvester Field  
Abilene Tournament.....Jan. 9-10 - Abilene  
Boys Alumni Scrimmage....2 p.m. - Jan. 10 - Harvester Field

**Swimming**  
At Lubbock.....Jan. 9-10 - Lubbock

**Wrestling**  
JH Wrestling at Hereford.....Jan. 8 - Hereford  
Boys Wrestling at Hereford.....Jan. 9-10 - Hereford  
Girls Wrestling at Caprock.....Jan. 9-10 - Caprock  
\*Game times and locations are subject to change. Please refer to the Pampa ISD Athletics Department website for an updated schedule. You can reach it by going to www.pampaisd.net and then clicking Athletics Department under the departments tab.\*

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UCF at Houston.....ESPNN 6 p.m.  
East Carolina at Cincinnati.....ESPNU 6 p.m.  
Marquette at Georgetown.....FS1 6 p.m.  
Ohio State at Minnesota.....ESPN 8 p.m.  
Oklahoma State at Iowa State.....ESPN2 8 p.m.  
Auburn at Vanderbilt.....ESPNU 8 p.m.  
Villanova at St. John's.....FS1 8 p.m.

**NHL Hockey**  
Columbus Blue Jackets at Dallas Stars.....FSSW 7:30 p.m.  
San Jose Sharks at Minnesota Wild.....NBCS 7 p.m.

**Women's College Basketball**  
Baylor at Kansas State.....FCSC 7 p.m.

**Soccer**  
West Ham at Everton.....FS1 1:30 p.m.

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## Bowl pick'em standings

### STAFF REPORT

To the left are the latest bowl pick'em standings. The only remaining game is the National Championship between Oregon and Ohio State on Jan. 12. If you correctly predicted the winner you will get two points. Best of luck in the final game!

## Wild-card rally doesn't spell relief for Romo

ARLINGTON (AP) — Tony Romo has his first come-from-behind victory in the playoffs, a refreshing reprise for a career filled with season-ending disappointments. The Dallas quarterback's late touchdown pass to Terrance Williams gave the Cowboys a 24-20 wild-card victory over Detroit on Sunday and sent them to Green Bay for their first postseason visit since the Packers won the Ice Bowl for the NFL championship 47 years ago. Anyone looking for a big exhale from the 34-year-old quarterback who avoided more heartache in Dallas' first playoff game in five years, well, it's not happening. "There is no sense of relief," said Romo, who also had a 76-yard TD toss to Williams to start the rally from an early 14-0 deficit. The Cowboys (13-4) will play their third divisional round game under Romo against the Pack-

ers on Sunday. He lost the first two, including at home to the New York Giants during the 2007 season when Dallas was the top seed in the NFC. The Lions (11-6) went 99 yards for one of two first-quarter touchdowns, but Matthew Stafford couldn't get them in the end zone again. Detroit was driving with a 20-17 lead midway through the fourth quarter when referee Pete Morelli announced a pass interference penalty against Anthony Hitchens on a third-down pass to Brandon Pettigrew. But officials reversed the call without explanation, and Sam Martin followed with a 10-yard punt. "Not a good enough one. I'm going to leave it at that," Lions coach Jim Caldwell said of the explanation he got. "I'm not going to sit up here and act like that was the play that made a difference in the game."

## DALLAS COWBOYS WIN IN COMEBACK FASHION SUNDAY, 24-20 OVER DETRIOT



Submitted photo Daniel Rivera, of Pampa, celebrates the Dallas Cowboys' comeback win over the Detroit Lions, 24-20. The Cowboys are headed to Green Bay for a matchup with the Packers this Sunday in the Divisional round of the NFL Playoffs. If they win, there could be a potential rematch in Seattle for the NFC Championship game.

Participant	Record
Greg Poynor	25-13
Jana Vinson	24-14
Keith Woods*	24-14
Kenny Maple	24-14
Martha Tiedt	24-14
Roger Tiedt	24-14
Tom Lindsey	24-14
Zac Green*	24-14
Bert Encina	23-15
Jarrett Waggoner	23-15
Mike Erickson	23-15
Jim and Louise Dills	22-16
Linda Perez	22-16
Patrick Kulle	22-16
Susan Triplehorn	22-16
Bret Bethke	21-17
Clara Ashford	21-17
Del Smith	21-17
Donna Bennett	21-17
Herb Minton	21-17
Jax Waggoner	21-17
Seth Erickson	21-17
Willie Caldwell	21-17
Cameron Johnson	20-18
Clint Wood	20-18
Donald Denham	20-18
Gay Turley	20-18
Lindsay Tomaschik*	20-19
Allen Jenkins	19-19
Andy Lopez	19-19
Christie Eads	19-19
John Lee*	19-19
Josh Kelley	19-19
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Logan Turley	19-19
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Shane Stokes	19-19
Aaron Mancos	18-20
Brian Poynor	18-20
Jimmy Ellison	18-20
Joel Baker	18-20
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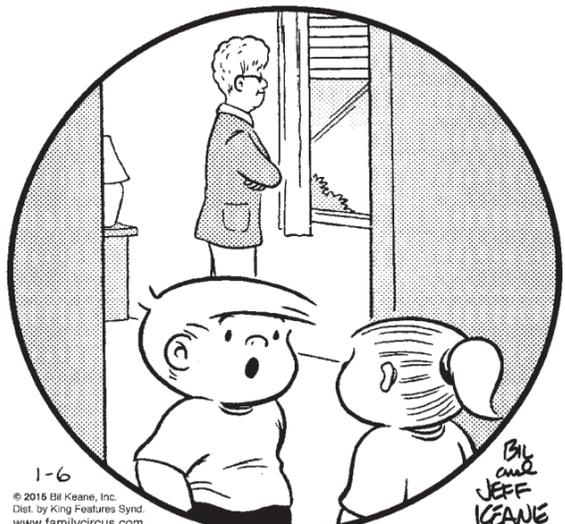


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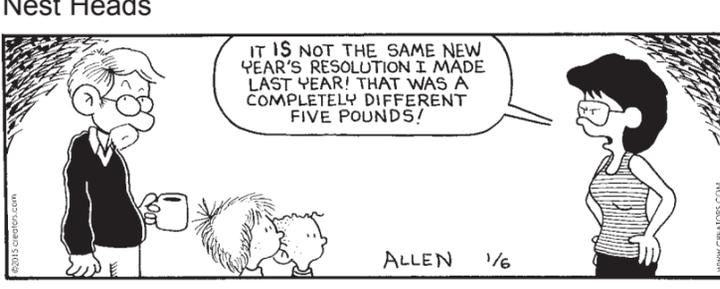


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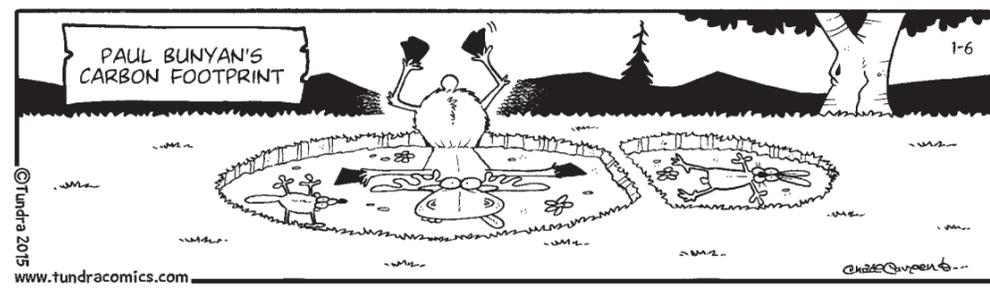


# daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2015:  
This year your ability to let go of preconceived judgments seems to mark your decisions. A theme of the unexpected runs through your life as well. The spontaneity will help you streamline your priorities. If you are single, the second half of your birthday year holds the most promise for romance. The person you meet in this six-month segment could have long-term implications. Take your time getting to know him or her. If you are attached, you are likely to become engrossed in your day-to-day life. Remember the importance of sharing special time with your sweetie. LEO adds excitement and drama to your life.  
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 might wake up to find a surprise awaiting you. Your perspective on a major issue involving a key person is likely to change in the near future. Once this realization sets in, you will have many options that you might not have seen before. Express your optimism. Tonight: Ever playful.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20)  
★★★ Focus on your domestic life. You might be taken aback by a friend or loved one, whose spontaneity could cause a problem. Ultimately, you'll be able to make the best of the situation. In fact, your input will allow more options to flourish. Tonight: Debate the pros and cons of a change.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20)  
★★★★ Discussions will evoke many ideas. A higher-up or a respected family member could trigger all sorts of excitement that you might prefer not to experience. Opportunities are likely to stem from your excellent communication and ability to absorb information. Prioritize. Tonight: Favorite hangout.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22)  
★★★ You seem to know the importance of managing your finances, especially after the holidays. No matter what your salary is, a strong understanding of how to prioritize funds remains instrumental. Know that you might not be reading an older relative or associate clearly. Tonight: Pay bills first.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22)  
★★★★ Today seems to be one of your monthly power days. A loved one could act in a most unexpected way. You might feel shaken up, at least until you recognize the positive outcomes that seem to emerge as a result. Run with

your ideas, and be aware of the feedback you receive. Tonight: Ask for what you want.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)  
★★★ Keep your own counsel about a personal matter. A close friend, associate or loved one is likely to behave in an unexpected way. You might feel as if nothing is impossible. Open up to a discussion; however, you would be well-advised to wait on acting. Tonight: The only answer is "yes."  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)  
★★★★ Zero in on a long-term goal. Remain flexible, and don't fight inevitable adjustments to your schedule. Optimism is likely to surround a daily matter where you would like to initiate change. You'll be able to make an impression on an important associate. Tonight: Where the action is.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)  
★★★★ Stay on top of what you feel is necessary, and others will stand behind you. Your popularity soars with leadership. A loved one might stage a mini revolt in order to get your attention. Make a point of being more sensitive to this person's needs. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)  
★★★★ Break past mental barriers, and you will find that new options appear. Make a call to a trusted adviser for feedback on what you are experiencing. A chance to expand your knowledge could stem from a traveling opportunity. Work to make this experience happen. Tonight: Follow the drumbeats.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)  
★★★★ Listen to those who share their experiences regarding a situation similar to yours. As a result, you might be able to bypass an obstacle that is on your path. Emphasis seems to be on real-life issues. Joint finances with others might be the root of the issue. Tonight: Opt for togetherness.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)  
★★★★ Others seem to want to run with the ball. Be smart, and don't interfere. Opt to take this moment of additional free time to do whatever you want. Go off and indulge in a favorite pastime. Note the invitations and suggestions that head your way. Tonight: Accept a friend's offer.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20)  
★★★★ You probably will want to let go and forget about work, exercise and diet. You actually might decide to try this for a day, but you might be surprised to discover how much you miss your routine. A discussion could be uncomfortable but necessary. Tonight: Meet up with a friend.

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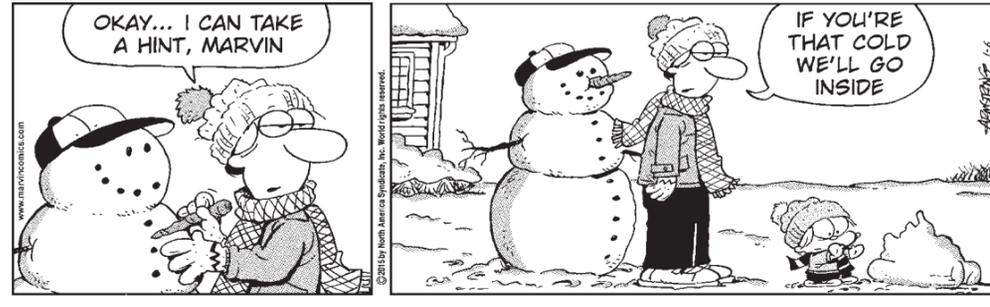
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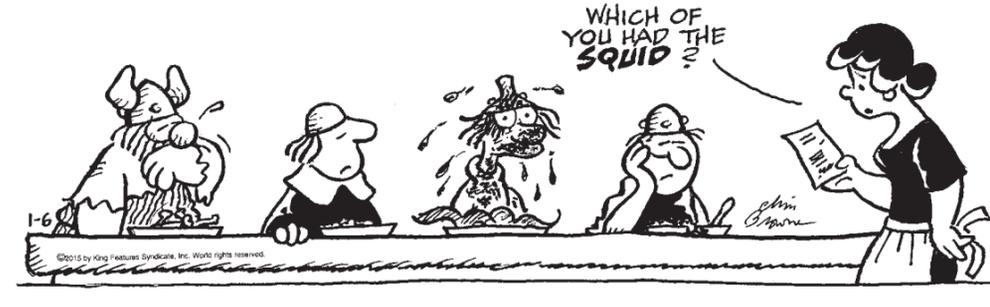
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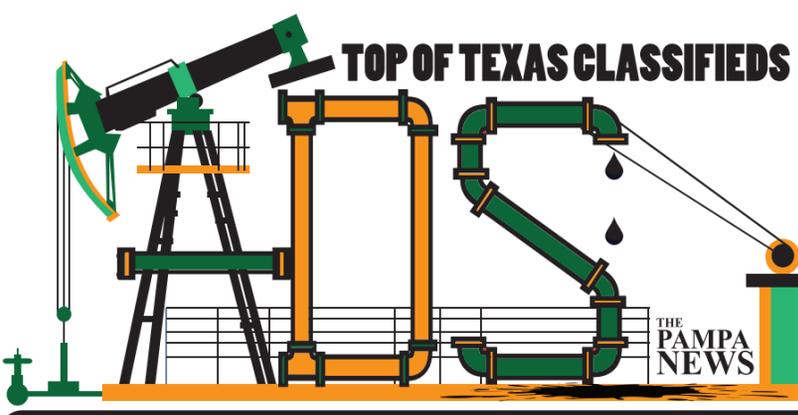


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**Yesterday's answer**

- 14 Pitcher Hersher
- 19 Noted Virginia family
- 22 Make cookies
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**CRYPTOQUOTE**

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

**1-6** CRYPTOQUOTE  
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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: THE URGE TO SAVE HUMANITY IS ALMOST ALWAYS A FALSE-FACE FOR THE URGE TO RULE IT. — H.L. MENCKEN

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Answer to yesterday's puzzle:

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Level: Beginner



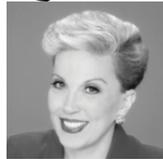
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## Dear Abby...

By Pauline & Jeanne Phillips

DEAR ABBY: I was single for four years and recently remarried. I didn't intend to marry again, but then I met "Bob." He was so kind and attentive that I was attracted. He proposed to me every day, several times a day, and eight months later I married him.

Bob moved here from out of state and hasn't been able to find work. It has been challenging. My daughter lives with us and is in college.

Bob's mood swings have been drastic lately. He doesn't want me to talk to anyone else, do anything without him (hang with my friends, my daughter, etc.). I have a great job and

work part-time in the evenings to make ends meet. I try to stay calm, but he yells, uses profanity and is highly manipulative.

I am at a loss. I would like to help him, but his depression is tearing us apart. I also believe he is addicted to marijuana. He has threatened suicide, but I don't know if he would actually go through with it.

Abby, I have worked very hard to get where I am. I know I need to take care of myself and my daughter, but I don't want to just throw this away, either. Help! — TORN IN TWO IN TEXAS

DEAR TORN IN TWO: Without more in-

formation, it's hard to tell whether your husband's depression makes him act the way he does, or whether you have been seduced by an abuser.

Among the warning signs of an abuser are:

— Pushes for quick involvement;

— Isolation: tries to isolate you from friends or family members;

— Makes others responsible for his/her feelings: The abuser says, "YOU make me angry" instead of "I am angry," or, "You're hurting me by not doing what I tell you";

— Hypersensitivity: is easily insulted, claiming hurt feelings when he or she is really mad. Rants about the injustice of things that are just a part of life;

— Verbal abuse: constantly criticizes or says blatantly cruel things — degrades, curses, calls you ugly names. May also involve sleep deprivation, waking you with relentless verbal abuse;

— Sudden mood swings: switches from sweet to violent within minutes.

This is only a partial list — there are 15 in all, which is too long for this column. However, they can be precursors to serious physical violence.

Urge your husband to get counseling for his depression and insecur-

ity. If he refuses, then be smart and contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline at 800-799-7233 or online at thehotline.org for help in safely separating from him before your husband's behavior escalates.

DEAR ABBY: At a black-tie-optional wedding, is it appropriate for a man to come wearing a cowboy hat and keep it on at the dinner table? — CURIOUS IN PALM DESERT

DEAR CURIOUS: Hat etiquette decrees that it should be removed when a man is indoors. And according to The Campfire Chronicle (at stargazermercantile.com), "If you're in a restaurant that serves anything that isn't coated in barbecue sauce, it's probably best to lose the hat."

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For each of the three words below, change one letter to a **T**, and then rearrange the letters to spell a word related to driving.

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Yesterday's Answer: 1. JINX, JOIN, INTO, OMIT, MOTH  
2. WAVY, YAWN, GNAW, TANG, GENT

1.6



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# Pampa Fire Department call log — Dec. 26-Jan. 4

## STAFF REPORT

The Pampa Fire Department responded to these calls for the following dates.

One unit with three personnel responded to each call, unless otherwise indicated.

### Dec. 26

- At 4:07 p.m., to Hobart and 23rd on a motor-vehicle accident. One injury reported to Pampa Regional Medical Center.
- At 6:50 p.m., to 25th and Perryton Parkway on a downed power-line.

### Dec. 27

- At 4:07 a.m., to one mile north of U.S. Highway 60 on County Road 3 to a motor-vehicle accident. No occupants found on scene.
- At 7:13 a.m., to the 1500 block of West Kentucky on a lift assist.
- At 2:58 p.m., two units and six personnel to 23rd and Price Road on a motor-vehicle accident. Two patients taken to Pampa Regional Medical Center.
- At 3:42 p.m., to the 1200 block of North Wells on a medical assist.
- At 4:22 p.m., to the 1500 block of Kentucky on a medical assist.
- At 4:47 p.m., to the 1100 block of Charles on a medical assist.
- At 8:04 p.m., to the 1100 block of Charles on an investigation.

### Dec. 28

- At 6:11 p.m., to the 1800 block of Charles on a lift assist.

### Dec. 29

- At 6:59 a.m., to a medical call in the 300 block of North Christy.
- At 11:57 a.m., medical call in the 700 block of North Price Road.
- At 4:28 p.m., to an odor investigation in the 1000 block of East Fisher.
- At 6:33 p.m., two units and six personnel to a fire alarm in the 1900 block of North Nelson.

### Dec. 30

- At 1:45 a.m., to a carbon monoxide activation in the 1000 block of South Banks.
- At 10:29 a.m., to a medical call in the 1600 block of North Mary Ellen.
- At 12:36 p.m., to a medical call in the 1200 block of North Wells.

### Dec. 31

- At 1:53 a.m., to a lift assist in the 2600 block of North Navajo.
- At 8:15 a.m., to a medical call in the 700 block of North Somerville.
- At 8:58 a.m., to a medical call in the 700 block

of North Dean Drive.

- At 2:02 p.m., to a medical call in the 1600 block of West Somerville.

- At 3:04 p.m., to a medical call in the 1100 block of East Darby.

### Jan. 1

- At 12:00 a.m., to a grass fire on County Road E and the loop.

- At 3:13 p.m., to a medical call in the 700 block of North Davis.

- At 4:57 p.m., to a medical call in the 2100 block of North Wells.

- At 5:53 p.m., three units and nine personnel to an industrial fire on Highway 60 West. No injuries reported.

- At 8:30 p.m., to a lift assist in the 400 block of North Davis.

- At 11:37 p.m., to a medical call in the 700 block of North Sumner.

### Jan. 2

- At 1:26 p.m., to the 900 block of Fisher on a gas leak.

- At 4:23 p.m., to the intersection of Browning and Loop 171 on an investigation.

- At 5:47 p.m., to the 2200 block of Alcock on a medical assist.

- At 7:22 p.m., to the 1300 block of Stark-weather on a medical assist.

- At 7:47 p.m., to the 300 block of West 30th Street on a hazmat call.

- At 8:46 p.m., to the 1300 block of East Kingsmill on a medical assist.

### Jan. 3

- At 1:53 a.m., to the 2300 block of Charles on a medical assist.

- At 10:40 a.m., to the 600 block of North Russell on a medical assist.

- At 11:18 a.m., to the 700 block of Somerville on a medical assist.

- At 11:50 a.m., to Highway 60 on an investigation.

### Jan. 4

- At 4:50 a.m., to the 1400 block of Somerville on a medical assist.

- At 6:49 a.m., two units and eight personnel to the 2200 block of Williston on an investigation.

- At 8:36 a.m., to the 2100 block of Lynn on a medical assist.

- At 10:36 a.m., two units and six personnel to the 2200 block of Williston on a structure fire. It was a small dryer lint fire beneath the house.

- At 1:40 p.m., to the 400 block of Red Deer on a medical assist.

- At 2:06 p.m., to the 1400 block of East Browning on a medical assist.

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