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## Representative Ken King heading to Austin for legislative session

**King plans to tackle education and transportation issues.**

By JOHN LEE  
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Representative Ken King (R), Canadian, is packing his bags and getting ready to head to Austin for the Texas House of Representatives legislative session. During the legislative session, which starts on Tuesday, King said that his primary focuses will be on education and transportation and making sure the Panhandle area is not forgotten in Austin. King said he plans to remain on the public education committee after recently



**U.S. Rep. Ken King**

passing House Bill 1926 which is described as “relating to the operation of the state virtual school network and courses provided through other distance learning arrangements.” King hopes that through this bill there will be more equal opportunities for students in the Panhandle that they may not receive otherwise. At Rotary last month, King used an example

that they may be able to take a foreign language class online that may not be offered in Pampa. It also allows for inter-district cooperation. As far as transportation is concerned, while the big cities may worry about congestion in their major highways (as governor-elect Greg Abbott alludes to), King wants to improve our farm-to-market roads. King said that our farm-to-market roads are important especially in our area with the farming and transporting of goods and are in need of a long overdue overhaul. “Our Farm-to-market roads haven’t had a real upgrade in a number of years,” King

said. “We are adding 100,000 Texans a month to our infrastructure, it’s time to make some choices.” King is going to be watching to see what the Federal Government is going to push onto the State of Texas. He said that funding for education and human services is now equal when education used to have most of the budget. As for the ever-controversial Affordable Care Act, King said Texas is still fighting it and that probably won’t change under Abbott. The Texas House of Representatives regular legislative session is held 140 days every odd year. The governor does call special sessions periodically as well.

## HOC holding dance tonight



**STAFF REPORT**  
 Pampa’s House of Cheer will be holding a dance for PJHS students tonight from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Pampa Optimist Youth Club, which is located at 601 East Craven Avenue. Admission for the dance is \$5, and proceeds go toward raising money for HOC’s national competition entry fee in February. If they win at the national competition, they will have the opportunity to go to worlds, which is the highest stage of competition. HOC coach Karami Rice refers to worlds as the Olympics of cheerleading, and this competition is hosted at Disney World. For more information, contact Karami Rice. All Pampa Junior High School students are welcome and encouraged to attend this event.

## Lawyer Don Lane retires after 54 years

**Farewell gathering to be held at 4 p.m. today at FUMC.**

After serving the Pampa community for 54 years, Don Lane has closed his law practice and will be retiring at the end of this week. There will be a farewell gathering held in the gathering room of First United Methodist Church at 4 p.m. today, and all community members are welcome to stop by the event to wish Lane best wishes in his retirement and to thank him for serving this community for all these years. Don R. Lane’s Pampa law office, which is located at 600 West Francis Avenue across from First Baptist Church, has been open in Pampa since 1960. Born and bred in Pampa, Lane is a graduate of Pampa High School and received both his bachelor of arts and law degrees from the University of Oklahoma in Norman, Okla. When asked what his most memorable moments are from providing his services to the area, Lane took some time to reflect before saying that his favorite part of the job has been working with the wonderful clients, who have been very appreciative and supportive of him over the years. “I will miss working with and being asked to help people with their legal matters,” Lane said. Although he has no immediate plans for his retirement, he said that he is looking forward to his time being his own, as well as spending time with his wife, Susanne. **LANE** cont. on page 2

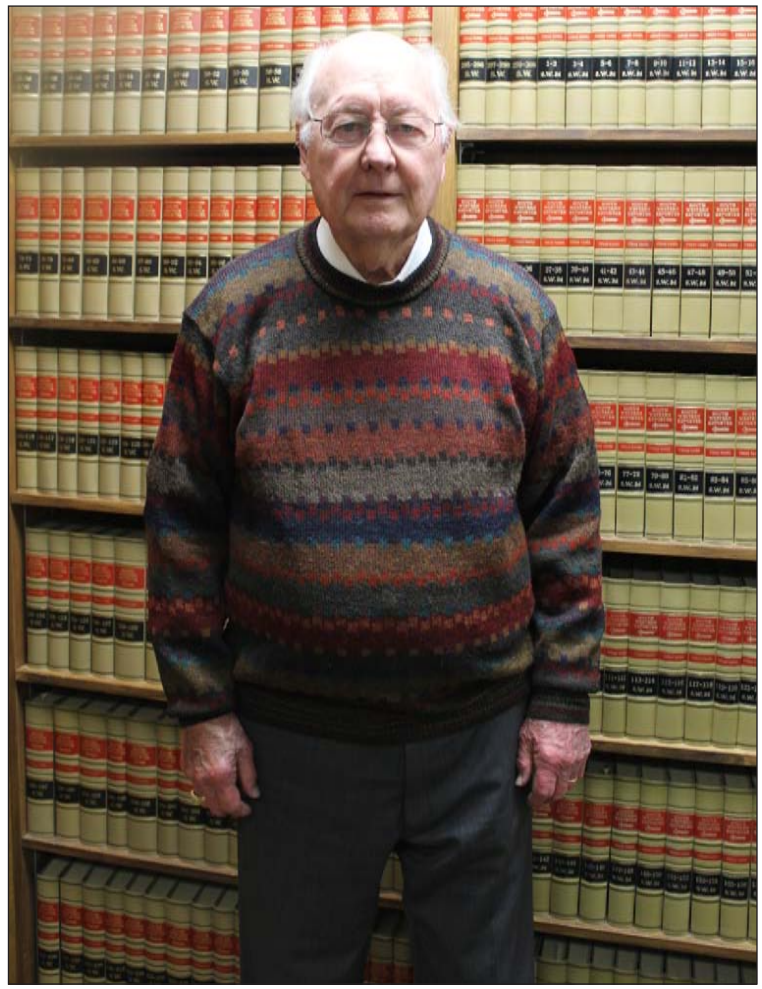


Photo by Lindsey Tomaschik  
 Don Lane has offered his legal services to the Pampa community since 1960, and today, a farewell gathering will be held in observance of his retirement.

## DePue, DeHoyos to perform in Pampa

**SUBMITTED**  
 NASHVILLE, Tenn. — International duo Alex DePue and Miguel DeHoyos will transport concert-goers on a wildly eclectic and virtuosic tour of classical and popular repertoire at the M.K. Brown Civic Auditorium in Pampa on Sunday, Jan. 11 at 2:30 p.m. Season tickets for the four-concert series are \$40. Single tickets for this per-



## Attempts to dupe immigration agents on the rise

**By JULIÁN AGUILAR**  
 The Texas Tribune

EL PASO — Hundreds of thousands of undocumented immigrants gamble their fate with human smugglers or deadly rides atop freight trains to enter Texas. Tens of thousands of others instead try a more brazen approach: handing fake documents to federal agents at ports of entry. The number of people turned away or detained at Texas ports — what the Department of Homeland Security calls “inadmissibles” — increased by

about 25 percent during the government’s 2014 fiscal year, according to statistics. Most were denied entry after presenting false or stolen documents. Customs and Border Protection agents working the Laredo field office, which includes the ports from Del Rio to Brownsville, found about 39,000 would-be crossers inadmissible, up from about 31,800 during the 2013 fiscal year. The El Paso field office, which extends from the Big Bend area to El Paso and through New Mexico, reported about 10,170 inadmissibles, up from the previous year’s 7,855.

Illegal crossers caught between the ports of entry have a slight chance at staying in the country by claiming asylum. But those caught presenting false documents, or trying to use someone else’s, at a port might never be able to gain legal access to the country, even through marriage or sponsorship, said Dan Kowalski, an immigration attorney and editor of Bender’s Immigration Bulletin, an immigration newsletter. “You could almost say it’s a perma-

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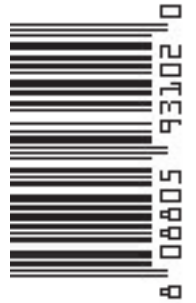
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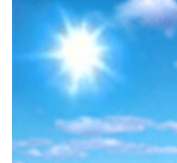

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## PAMPA FORECAST

Today	Saturday	Sunday
		
High 28 Low 16	High 40 Low 24	High 42 Low 26

**Today:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 28. Wind chill values between 3 and 13. North northeast wind 5 to 10 mph. Sunrise at 7:54 a.m.

**Tonight:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 16. South wind 5 to 15 mph. Sunset at 5:49 p.m.

**Saturday:** Sunny, with a high near 40. Breezy, with a south wind 15 to 25 mph. Sunrise at 7:54 a.m.

**Saturday night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 24. South southwest wind 10 to 15 mph. Sunset at 5:50 p.m.

**Sunday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 42. Southwest wind around 5 mph. Sunrise at 7:54 a.m.

**Sunday night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 26. Northeast wind around 5 mph. Sunset at 5:50 p.m.

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**GOSPEL SINGING** will be held at the Pentecostal Holiness Church, 1700 Alcock, from 2-4 Sunday afternoon. Everyone welcome.

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## Lane

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Lane has been married to Susanne since 1957, and the couple have two children, Richard, a cardiologist in Oklahoma City, and Susan, who followed in her father's footsteps and is a lawyer residing in South Lake, and a number of grandchildren.

Lane is very grateful for the support of his family throughout the duration of his career as well as his administrator, Gimmye Rushing, who has been working by his side for 36 years.

All are welcome and encouraged to stop by Lane's retirement gathering at FUMC this afternoon.

## Rise

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ment bar," he said.

A person banned for presenting false papers must acquire a waiver for readmission into the country, which Kowalski said is an uphill battle.

When apprehensions of immigrants sneaking across the border drop, CBP officials often claim that indicates fewer people are attempting illegal entry. But immigration officials said the inverse — that the increase in inadmissibles reflects more people faking their way through — isn't necessarily true. It means that CBP officers are getting better at detecting false documents, they say.

"We're just doing a better

## Concert

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formance are \$20. Season subscriptions include reciprocal tickets for concerts in Borger, Plainview and Liberal, Kan. For more information call 806-665-9432.

Live On Stage, Inc. and Pampa Community Concert Association will also sponsor a student outreach performance by Alex Depue and Miguel DeHoyos as part of their ongoing commitment to support arts education in the community.

Alex DePue is the youngest sibling of the famed "DePue Brothers," who have built their fame as bluegrass musicians on conspicu-

ously successful classical music careers. Precocious as a youth, Alex achieved top honors in youth violin competitions and national fiddle contests. He is making his own genre-bending mark on the family's legacy appearing with Steve Vai, Nashville recording artist Chris Cagle, and in his duo project with Mexican guitarist Miguel DeHoyos. DePue and DeHoyos have performed with the Philadelphia Symphony and were feature performers at the International Bluegrass Music Association's Grand Master Fiddler Championships (2009). They have recorded two albums for the Spontaneous Records label. Follow this link to view a video featuring

Alex DePue and Miguel DeHoyos.

The Pampa Community Concert Association has been presenting internationally acclaimed artists to the community since 1944. This all-volunteer nonprofit organization is committed to enriching the cultural life in the Texas Panhandle through live performances. Thanks to the generosity of Patrons and Corporate Members, these concerts can be offered at affordable, family friendly prices.

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job; they just get better at what they do," said Frank Longoria, the Laredo field office's acting assistant director for field operations. "That's the way we would like to look at it."

Changes to passports and other visas are also helping.

"With the new technology and biometrics, we are seeing fewer counterfeits, but there are still lots of people trying to be impostors," said Roger Maier, a CBP spokesman in El Paso. "A lot of it comes down to officer expertise and training. They are trained on what to look for regarding certain facial features that are consistent throughout your life."

The increase in attempts to fool trained customs agents could be a result of increased manpower on the country's southern border

that has made it harder for people to sneak across the Rio Grande. Since 2001, the number of Border Patrol agents on the southwest border has doubled to about 18,100. Over the summer, state officials deployed hundreds of Texas Department of Public Safety officers and Texas National Guard units in response to the massive influx of undocumented immigrants from Central America.

Kowalski said the buildup could be a reason for the increase at the ports, but he also said the statistics should be viewed with some skepticism.

"It's also possible that it's due to differences in record keeping," Kowalski said. "Before a certain date, the agents in the field didn't keep very detailed records or mark everything down,

so the numbers appeared to be low even though they came across a lot of people. We'll never know. I don't trust CBP's numbers about anything."

For years, the Obama administration has been accused of inflating statistics to appear tough on illegal immigration. In October, the administration touted another record-breaking total for deportations, saying more than 438,000 people were deported in 2013. Numbers USA, a grassroots organization that advocates for limits on immigration levels, said in 2013 that the administration had inflated deportation statistics by more than 100,000 by "counting certain 'returns' as 'removals' in order to artificially inflate the numbers and create a 'record level' of deportations."

## Church Calendar

### Hi-Land Christian Church

Wednesday nights, Pastor Mike Sublett teaches 2 special advanced classes at Hi-Land Christian Church.

From 7 - 8 p.m. The Judges and Kings of Israel (broken people, faithful God); from 8-9 p.m. 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 Urrutia, 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 Bilingual 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 [jlcee@thepampanews.com](mailto:jlcee@thepampanews.com) or give us a call 669-2525. We will need the name, address, phone number and any other information about the event.

## 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, at the Tralee Crisis Center, 308 S. Cuyler St. For more info, call the Center at 806-669-1131.

■ **Narcotics Anonymous — The Pampa Group** meets at 7:30 p.m., Tuesdays, and at 6 p.m., Saturdays, at 805 N. Gray St. **Narcotics Anonymous — Rufe Jordan Unit** also meets at 6 p.m., Mondays, and at 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays, at 1992 Hilton Road.

■ **Cancer Support** meets from 12-1 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at Central Baptist

Church. For more info, contact Beth Kean at 800-274-4673

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous** Open Door Club meets daily at noon and 8 p.m. at 910 W. Kentucky Ave. **Al-Anon** meets at noon on Mondays. For more information, call 665-9072.

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous** Primary Purpose meets daily at noon and 8 p.m. at 112 W. Foster Ave.

■ **Alcoholics Anonymous** Keep It Simple meets Thursdays at 6 p.m. at the Methodist church in White Deer.

■ **Pampa Caregiver Support** meets at the Pampa Nursing Center on 1321 W. Kentucky Ave. at 6 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. For more information call 806-669-2551.

■ **Accolade Home Care** sponsors a **Parkinson's Support Group** the second Thursday of each month at 6 p.m. The group meets at Accolade at 1313 N. Hobart St. For more information, call Lindsey Presson at 806-665-9700 or 806-324-3230.



# How lower oil prices could fuel more hiring in US

WASHINGTON (AP) — In June, when oil cost \$107 a barrel, U.S. employers added a healthy number of jobs — 267,000. Now, with oil below \$50, hopes are rising that hiring in the United States is poised to intensify.

Goldman Sachs forecasts that if oil stays near its current price, the economy will add 300,000 more jobs this year than if the price had remained at its June level. Stronger job growth is foreseen at retailers, auto dealers, shipping firms, restaurants and hotels — all of which will likely show gains in Friday's jobs report for December.

From gas-station prices to utility bills, consumers and businesses are now enjoying savings on basic energy costs. It means more people can splurge on purchases from clothing and appliances to vacations and dinners out. That stronger demand will likely require some businesses to step up hiring, which would circulate more money through the economy and perhaps fuel further job growth.

Just as critically, cheaper gas is suppressing overall U.S. inflation. Lower prices keep down yields on U.S. Treasuries. Lower yields, in turn, serve the housing market by reducing mortgage rates and potentially producing more construction jobs. This week, for example, the average rate

on a 30-year fixed mortgage sank to 3.73 percent, its lowest point since May 2013.

"These lower oil costs are a tax cut for everybody — except the energy producers," said Joseph LaVorgna, chief U.S. economist at Deutsche Bank. "It gives us an acceleration in employment."

Not everyone will benefit. U.S. oil and gas drillers risk layoffs if energy prices don't recover. Industry suppliers such as U.S. Steel blamed the falling prices in announcing plans this week to lay off 756 workers who make tubing for the oil sector.

At the same time, those losses, painful for cities such as Houston or Oklahoma City, represent a modest portion of the U.S. job market. The energy sector employs about 1.4 percent of all U.S. employees, according to Deutsche Bank calculations.

So what job sectors stand to benefit?

#### — AUTOS

Sales of new cars are forecast to exceed 17 million this year, a level not reached since 2005, according to auto analysts. The Energy Department says lower gasoline prices will save U.S. households \$550 this year — roughly equivalent to four months of lease payments on a 2014 Honda Civic.

The additional sales will

help boost the number of manufacturing jobs, which total 12.2 million but remain 1.5 million shy of its pre-recession peak at the end of 2007, according to the government. It would also add to the ranks of the 1.2 million people who work at auto dealers.

Kirt Frye of Sunnyside Automotive Group, an auto chain in Cleveland, says potential buyers appear increasingly open to buying cars beyond the most fuel-efficient models.

"If you're a new-car buyer and your monthly fuel costs are \$50 to \$75 less than a year ago," he said, "you've got more flexibility in terms of the monthly investment you can make in an automobile."

Frye plans to hire 15 salespeople for the company's six dealerships by March, up from about 12 last year.

#### — SHIPPING

Many trucking firms are plowing the savings from lower fuel costs back into their businesses. That helps the 4.7 million workers in the transportation and warehousing industries.

"They're actually increasing driver wages," noted Bob Costello, chief economist at the American Trucking Associations.

Average pay in the transportation sector have risen 2.5 percent over the past 12 months to \$20.61 an hour. But some trucking compa-

nies such as Crete Carrier in Lincoln, Nebraska are now advertising annual pay increases of 13 percent to recruit drivers.

Costello said many shipping companies are also replacing their aging trucks, which get as little as 5 miles a gallon, with new vehicles that cost \$125,000 a piece — an investment that will likely lead to further hiring by manufacturers over time.

#### — RESTAURANTS

Falling gas prices have been a boon for restaurants. Restaurant sales rose 4.4 percent from June, when gas prices peaked, to November, according to government data. This suggests that hiring is poised to pick up because jobs at restaurants have risen just 1.3 percent over the same period.

Brian Miller of the recruiting firm Patrice and Associates says inquiries from restaurants seeking new managers have jumped. He attributes the increase to lower gas prices, which have boosted sales and "increased the sense of urgency" among many chains.

"Their demand is up, their foot traffic is up, they want to expand," Miller said. "We have companies calling us, saying, 'We need help now.'"

This week, the fast food chain Sonic — with more than 3,500 drive-ins — re-

ported that sales have been boosted by cheaper gasoline.

"There's no doubt in the last six months the price of fuel has been a big contributor," said Cliff Hudson, Sonic's CEO.

#### — HOUSING

At 3.73 percent, this week's average 30-year mortgage rate is down drastically from its 4.51 percent level a year ago. That gap translates into nearly \$75 less a month in payments on a roughly average \$165,000 mortgage — a savings of almost \$900 a year.

Mortgage rates have sunk as yields on 10-year Treasuries have dropped in sync with ultra-low inflation, a response to the oil price decline. Lower mortgage rates make homes more affordable and should help spur gains for the 2.3 million-job residential construction industry.

"Falling oil prices will probably help local economies and home prices in markets that lack oil-related industries" around the Midwest and Northeast, Jed Kolko, chief economist at the real estate firm Trulia, said in an analysis.

The National Association of Realtors forecast this week that sales of existing homes would total 5.3 million this year, a 7.3 percent increase from 2014.

Housing failed to contribute much to overall

economic growth last year, but Michelle Meyer, a senior economist at Bank of America, said she is "cautiously more optimistic" for 2015 because of the lower mortgage rates and likelihood of higher incomes.

#### — ENERGY

This industry is the primary loser from falling fuel costs. Oil and gas drilling has been a source of job growth for five years, though it still constitutes a small percentage of the total. Bob Baur, chief global economist for Principle Global Investors, calculates that drilling has accounted for an average of 3,600 added jobs a month since 2010, out of a total average of 191,000 added each month.

Payroll processor ADP said this week that the mining industry, which includes oil and gas drilling, shed about 2,000 jobs last month after gaining an average of 3,000 a month in 2014.

In the past, Baur notes, falling oil prices have helped fuel healthy expansions for the overall U.S. job market and economy. Plummeting oil costs in 1986 and 1998 led to robust consumer spending.

Some companies that spend a lot on oil and gas will likely enjoy a boost in profits. That could "translate into faster wage growth than we've seen," Baur said.

## BRAVING THE COLD TO PLAY IN THE SNOW



Submitted photo via Facebook

Lanee McPherson, 6, can't put her arms down because its so cold outside during the latest snow storm.

## JC Penney to shut 40 stores and cut 2,250 jobs this year

NEW YORK (AP) — J.C. Penney Co. said that it will close about 40 stores this year and cut approximately 2,250 jobs, as it tries to improve its profitability.

Most of the stores, located in malls around the country, will close by April 4. The Plano, Texas, company currently runs about 1,060 stores.

The announcement Thursday comes two days after J.C. Penney reported a rise in sales during the critical holiday shopping season, an encouraging sign as the company tries to recover from a botched plan to reinvent itself under former CEO Ron Johnson. It has tapped a new CEO, former Home Depot executive Marvin Ellison, who will replace current CEO Mike Ullman in August. Ullman was rehired as CEO in April 2013 after retiring from the top job in 2011.

J.C. Penney said all employees at stores being closed will be offered career training classes, including help writing resumes and filling out applications. The company said that some employees are eligible to receive separation benefits.

Last January, the company announced plans to close about 33 stores and cut approximately 2,000 jobs.

J.C. Penney shares rose 4 cents to \$7.93 in afternoon trading Thursday. Its shares are up about 7.5 percent versus a year ago.

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## New math on college campuses

The New York Times published a provocative news story called "The New Math on Campus." No, it's not about the failure of Common Core to teach arithmetic; it's about the changing ratio of males to females on most college campuses.



PHYLIS SCHLAFLY

Long ago when I went to college, campuses were about 70 percent male, and until 1970 it was still nearly 60 percent. Today, however, the male percentage has fallen to the low 40s on most campuses.

The American Council on Education reports that women have averaged 57 percent of enrollments since the year 2000. Women received nearly 60 percent of all college degrees conferred in 2010.

This has dramatically changed social relationships and interactions among students. Most girls and even some boys do not like this change, but nobody knows what to do about it, and few are even willing to discuss it.

One female student described the new relationship between the sexes like this. "Out of that 40 percent male population, there are maybe 20 percent we would consider dating, and out of those 20 percent, 10 have girlfriends, so all the girls are fighting over that other 10 percent."

Anybody who understands human nature realizes that this situation changes behavior. Girls do not want to get left out in the cold, so they compete for men on men's terms.

This results in more casual hook-ups that are dead-end encounters with no future and no real romantic relationships. A psychology professor described this bluntly: "When men have the social power, they create a man's idea of relationships: more partners, more sex, no commitment."

Colleges claim they grant admissions based on academic merit, and girls come out of high school with better grades than boys. But that doesn't always

mean they are smarter or more capable of doing college work or succeeding after graduation.

Boys do far better on average than girls on the SAT test for mathematics, which means that boys are better prepared than girls for STEM majors in college. This has been true every year for more than 40 years.

Nearly twice as many boys as girls attain very high scores on the Math SAT, with an immense difference at the high end. But the job market for STEM graduates is not as good as it should be because of corporations' preference for hiring lower-paid, easy-to-control foreigners on H-1B visas, so many American guys decide that the high cost of an engineering degree is not worth it.

A shocking 46 percent of recent college graduates work in jobs that do not require a college degree. Boys are more likely than girls to look at the cost-benefit tradeoff of going to college. The imbalance of far more women than men at colleges has been a factor in the various sex scandals that have made news in the last couple of years.

So, what's the solution? One solution might be to impose the duty on admissions officers to arbitrarily admit only half women and half men. Another solution might be to stop granting college loans, thereby forcing students to take jobs to pay for their tuition and eliminate time for parties, perhaps even wiping out time for fraternities and sororities. I went through college while working a full-time manual-labor job, and I don't regret a minute of it; it was a great learning experience.

Another solution would be to reinstate all the men's sports that were cancelled by an extremist feminist application of Title IX, the federal law that prohibits discrimination against female students. The feminists have misused that law to abolish many men's sports in order to achieve a statistical equality between the

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## A party at war with itself

For the third time, the cops of the NYPD have turned their backs on the mayor of New York.



PATRICK BUCHANAN

The first time was when Mayor Bill de Blasio arrived at Woodhull Hospital where mortally wounded officers Rafael Ramos and Wenjian Liu had been taken on Dec. 20. The second was when the mayor spoke at Ramos' funeral. The third was at Liu's service on Sunday.

Detestation of de Blasio among the NYPD and the cops who came from across the country to stand in solidarity with their slain brothers is broad and deep.

And, in a way, de Blasio served as stand-in for Al Sharpton, Eric Holder and President Obama. For all four gave aid and comfort to the war on cops that has raged since Ferguson last August when Officer Darren Wilson shot and killed an 18-year-old who tried to grab his gun.

When a Staten Island grand jury declined to indict the NYPD's Daniel Pantaleo in the chokehold death of

Eric Garner, after the 350-pound black man, suffering from heart disease, diabetes and asthma, died resisting arrest, the war on cops went viral and national.

De Blasio, Sharpton, Holder and Obama were all out on point saying that blacks, especially young black males, were all too often victimized by racist cops. And black kids needed to be taught that.

Brimming with moral outrage, protesters took to the streets, blocked Times Square and Grand Central, disrupted Macy's during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, and shut down malls, highways and bridges across the country.

Though their lawlessness was rampant and their chants bespoke a hatred of police, who were compared to the KKK by marchers yelling for "dead cops," these protests were indulged and described as "peaceful."

So it was that on Dec. 20 a deranged criminal decided to make himself famous by putting "wings on pigs" and executing Ramos and Liu in Bedford-Stuyvesant as payback for Garner and Brown.

Suddenly, the real America revealed itself, an America enraged at the

cold-blooded assassinations of cops and disgusted with those who had pandered to anti-police protesters. And the America that revealed itself is not good news for the Democratic Party.

For we have seen this movie before, half a century ago.

After LBJ's victory over Barry Goldwater came the riots of the 1960s. — Watts in 1965, Newark and Detroit in 1967, and 100 cities, including D.C., after Dr. King's assassination in 1968.

These riots produced deaths, thousands of arrests, and looting and arson on a scale requiring the National Guard and federal troops. And these rampages were perhaps the principal factor in turning Middle America against a Democratic Party that had been the nation's majority party since 1932.

In 1964, LBJ won 61 percent of the vote. Four years later, his vice president, Hubert Humphrey, got less than 43 percent.

What happened? A civil war had taken place inside the Democratic coalition, not unlike what is going on now. Today's conflict, though not

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### Letter to the Editor

## A call to action for business owners

■ Benefit account has been set up at Happy State Bank for officer Houston Gass.

To all business owners, I, Jim Free and family, am donating \$100 to help the Gass family after Sgt. Gass was shot and injured on a domestic call. This officer and all police officers put their lives on the line to protect and serve this community every single day.

I challenge every business owner to meet or beat this donation.

This Sgt. and his family will have many expenses during his numerous surgeries. The expense of motels, gas and food will take a big burden on his family.

These officers never

know when they go on duty whether they will see their family and kids when their shift ends every day. These officers do not make near enough money to cover these expenses, and insurance does not cover these extra expenses, so open your heart and help this family

in a time of need. Sgt. Gass is a very dedicated officer and will put himself in danger to protect the other officers and families in Pampa or anywhere else.

**The Free family  
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## The pontiff and 'climate change'

Move over, radical Islam. Step aside, poverty and political oppression. Pope Francis is expected to soon issue a rare papal encyclical, an official statement about what the pontiff believes is the world's most pressing issue — "climate change."

A month ago, during the U.N. climate change conference in Lima, Peru, the Pope warned of the dire consequences of climate change and declared that the "time to find global solutions is running out."

Last October, the Pope said: "An economic system centered on the god of money needs to plunder nature to sustain the frenetic rhythm of consumption that is inherent to it."

"The system contin-

ues unchanged, since what dominates are the dynamics of an economy and a finance that are lacking in ethics. It is no longer man who commands, but money. Cash commands.

"The monopolizing of lands, deforestation, the appropriation of water, inadequate agro-toxics are some of the evils that tear man from the land of his birth. Climate change, the loss of biodiversity and deforestation are already showing their devastating effects in the great cataclysms we witness."

So Pope Francis condemns both wealth "inequality" and greedy capitalism — at the same time. That is a contradiction.

History shows that raising a country's standard of living — addressing its wealth inequality — requires economic freedom and free markets, a.k.a. capitalism. Economist

Milton Friedman said of all the economic systems known to man, capitalism, by far, moves more people out of poverty:

"The world runs on individuals pursuing their separate interests. The great achievements of civilization have not come from government bureaus. Einstein didn't construct his theory under order from a bureaucrat. Henry Ford didn't revolutionize the automobile industry that way. In the only cases in which the masses have escaped from the kind of grinding poverty you're talking about, the only cases in recorded history, are where they have had capitalism and largely free trade. If you want to know where the masses are worse off, worst off, it's exactly in the kinds of societies that depart from that. So that the record of history is absolutely crystal clear, that there is no alternative way, so far discovered,

of improving the lot of the ordinary people that can hold a candle to the productive activities that are unleashed by the free-enterprise system."

The world's two most populous countries are China and India. In the last 50 years, both countries changed course and began pursuing free markets and encouraging entrepreneurship. As a result, tens of millions of people from India and China are no longer poor. The progress has been nothing short of staggering. Global inequality is declining — thanks to China and India, which account for more than one-third of the world's population. While the Chinese government avoids the "c" word — capitalism — its embrace of free-market reforms has lifted millions out of poverty. Similarly, in India freer markets spark a growth rate that now exceeds

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# War

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nearly so violent, is daily nationalized by cable and the Internet.

All of America watched what happened in Ferguson night after night, and saw the aftermath of what happened on Staten Island, and observed what happened Dec. 20 and then at those funerals.

Americans began openly and viscerally to take sides.

And from the new defensiveness of de Blasio and the muted responses of Sharpton, Holder and Obama, there is no doubt who has lost this battle. A sundered America is siding with the cops and turning against those who turned on the cops.

Something like this happened in Chicago in August 1968: Police, after constant provocation by foul-mouthed radicals, chased them down, clubbed them, and arrested them in Grant Park.

The networks and national media denounced a "police riot" and liberal Democratic Senator Abe Ribicoff said Mayor Richard J. Daley's cops had used "Gestapo tactics in

the streets of Chicago."

When the dust settled, however, America, to the amazement of the elites, had come down on the side of the cops, not "the kids."

That America gave Nixon and Wallace 57 percent of its votes.

The political point: In the 1960s, both George Wallace and LBJ were Democrats. Mayor Daley and the radicals cursing his cops were Democrats. The students who took over Berkeley and Columbia, and the deans and professors whose offices they trashed, were all liberal or leftist Democrats.

The '60s was over social, moral and cultural issues were bloody scrimmages on the home field of the Democratic Party.

So it is today. Whether the issue is income inequality or the evil of Wall Street, police brutality or black criminality, the hostility and anger among Democrats over these issues makes the Tea Party vs. the GOP establishment look like a badminton tournament on the country club lawn.

*Patrick J. Buchanan is the author of the new book "The Greatest Comeback: How Richard Nixon Rose From Defeat to Create the New Majority."*

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percentage of men playing on college sports teams and the percentage of male enrollment in college.

The feminists have abolished more than 2,200 men's college sports teams since 1981, such as wrestling, gymnastics, track, golf and even some football,

in order to limit the number of male players to Title IX guidelines.

That removes a primary motivation for young men to go to college, many of whom want to try out for a sport even

if they are not good enough to make the team.

The popularity of the new college football playoff system illustrates how successful men's college sports can be for participants and fans alike. But when colleges eliminate men's sports, women are hurt by the resulting gender imbalance in enrollment.

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# Elder

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that of many countries in the West.

To repeat, worldwide income inequality is shrinking. The Atlantic magazine cites researchers who confirm the shrinking global inequality gap: "First, consider inequality. Academic researchers — from Xavier Sala-i-Martin of Columbia University, to Surjit Bhalla, formerly of the Brookings Institution and Rand Corporation, to Paolo Liberati of the University of Rome — all agree that global inequality is declining. That is because 2.6 billion people in China and India are richer than they used to be.

Their economies are growing much faster than those of their Western counterparts, thus shrinking the income gap that opened at the dawn of industrialization in the 19th century, when the West took off and left much of the rest of the world behind.

"Paradoxically, the shrinking of the global inequality gap was only possible after India and China abandoned

their attempts to create equality through central planning. By allowing people to keep more of the money they earned, the Chinese and Indian governments incentivized people to create more wealth. Allowing inequality to increase at home, in other words, diminished inequality globally. And global inequality, surely, is the statistic that should most concern the leader of a global religion."

Bono, the musician and philanthropist, has spent much of his life pursuing aid for Third World countries. But he had an epiphany. Capitalism, Bono said, lifts far more people out of poverty than aid ever will: "Aid is just a stop-gap. Commerce (and) entrepreneurial capitalism takes more people out of poverty than aid. ... In dealing with poverty here and around the world, welfare and foreign aid are a Band-Aid. Free enterprise is a cure. Entrepreneurship is the most sure way of development."

Any questions?

*Larry Elder is a best-selling author and radio talk-show host. To find out more about Larry Elder, or become an "Elderado," visit www.LarryElder.com. Follow Larry on Twitter @larryelder.*

# Angel Fire Resort adds more events for this year's 11th annual Big Ol' Texas Week

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"While we're bringing back some of our favorite events from years past for this annual tribute weekend we are adding in a new Denim and Diamonds Ball, as well as, a day-long Texas Tailgate party at our base area," explains Dan Swanson, director of marketing, Angel Fire Resort. "If you're looking for a great guys weekend, Angel Fire is the place to be with a poker tournament, a steak-eating contest, brews, BBQ and whiskey tastings and of course ski deals. If you're on the hunt for a fun couples getaway then the Denim and Diamonds three-course dinner, Jim Beam Whiskey Tasting event and live music at our Country Club is a perfect tie-in to a weekend on the slopes."

In celebration, discounted lift tickets and lodging packages for the weekend are available online with advance purchase only.

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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.

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## Monday night dance club

The Monday night dance club meets from 7 to 9 p.m., each Monday, in the Pampa Chamber of Commerce building on the corner of Ballard and

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## 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.

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Utah at BYU.....BYU 8 p.m.

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## LADY HARVESTERS FELL TO TASCOSA TUESDAY NIGHT



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Above left, Rayna Wall tries to keep a defender from stealing the ball Tuesday. Above right, Taylor Eubank drives past a defender. Below left, Keshia Daniels blocks a shot. Below right, Taylor Eubank passes to Reata Collins while Keshia Daniels puts a screen on. Bottom left, Madison Brown brings the ball up court. Bottom right, Elise Kennedy looks for an open girl to pass to. Pampa plays Dalhart in Dalhart to open district tonight.



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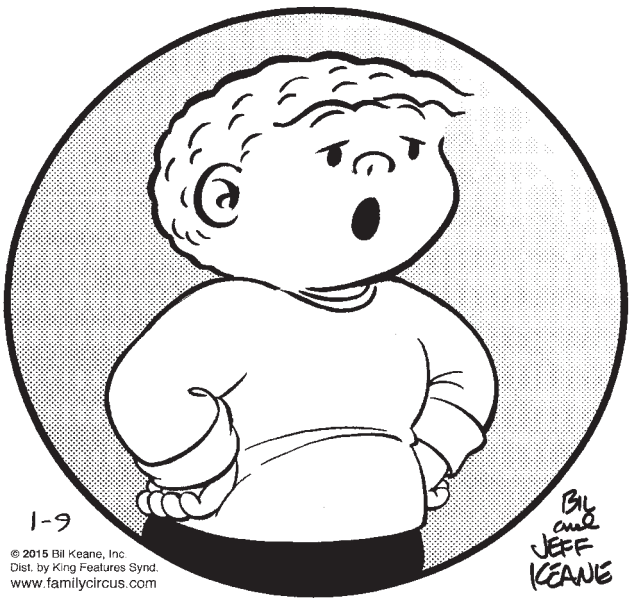
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## THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane



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**"How old will I be when I stop bein' a child and turn into a dolt?"**

Bil and JEFF KEANE

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### Nest Heads



## daily horoscope

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** for Saturday, Jan. 10, 2015:

This year you are more levelheaded than you have been in years. You juggle different concerns with ease and always seem to come up with a practical solution. You relate with greater confidence to both men and women. You have the ability to see the big picture and not get caught up in petty details. If you are single, you are more likely to meet Mr. or Ms. Right after August. This person could knock you right off your feet! If you are attached, the two of you benefit from taking some private excursions together as a couple. You feed your relationship with these timeouts. VIRGO pushes you hard when he or she has more knowledge on a topic than you do.

**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'll decide that you must make an effort toward an important relative or friend in your life. This person commands a lot of authority. You might question the hows and whys of an interaction. You can accomplish a lot if you just relax. Tonight: A must appearance.

#### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Understand what is happening with a child or new friend. You probably have been in a similar situation and easily can empathize. Know that anything is possible. Your sense of humor will emerge when letting go of the week's hassles. Tonight: Add more spice to your life.

#### GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Stay close to home. If you feel alone, invite a loved one over to join you. You could be in the mood for some deep conversation. You might want to share some news as well. Listen carefully to any feedback this person has for you. Tonight: Surrounded by good music.

#### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Your sixth sense will help you understand a conflicted personality in your life. You might wonder what you should expect from this person. Be open, and let go of any expectations. Your relationship will evolve if you can relax and share more. Tonight: Tell it like it is.

#### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ You might be pushing someone away without intending to. Detach, and as you observe your interactions, you'll discover how much you have not been paying attention. You probably will need to follow this procedure several

times in the next few months. Tonight: Your treat.

#### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ You might want to rethink a choice that makes you quite uncomfortable. A decision made today needs to be revisited at least one more time. You could be surprised by what comes up for you. Touch base with a new friend. Allow your inner child to emerge. Tonight: Have fun.

#### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Confusion seems to mark your interactions. When meeting someone, make sure you are on the same page. Otherwise, you easily could be like two ships passing in the night. Voice any concerns you might have about a family member's well-being. Tonight: Play it low-key.

#### SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Your friendship means a lot to a close friend. Make plans to get together with this person. Your imagination tends to be a source of delight for more than just you. Wherever you turn up, no matter what plans you make, you will be well-received. Tonight: Take a friend's lead.

#### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ You might be in a position where you find yourself taking on more responsibility. It could be as simple as bringing family together for a special occasion. You'll need to keep a tight rein on your finances; otherwise, you easily could overspend. Tonight: Others seek you out.

#### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ A loved one or close friend could be as enthusiastic as you are about a particular project. Stay easygoing with regard to a problem or disagreement, and try to detach before making any judgments. Give yourself time to work this out. Tonight: Take a drive to a favorite spot.

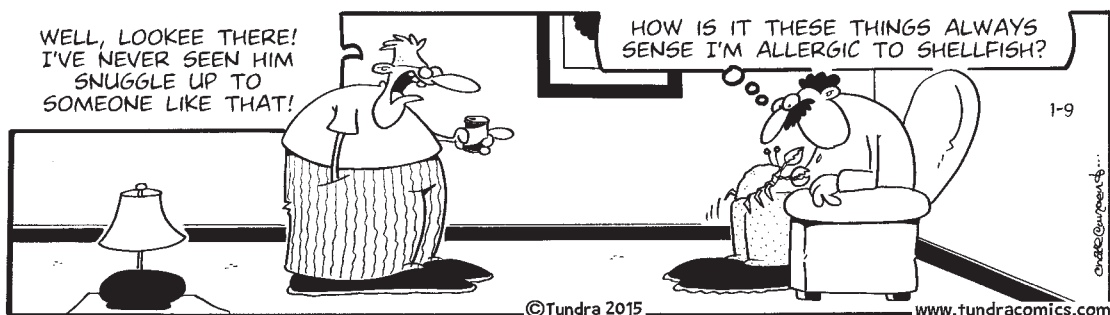
#### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ You will choose to relate to a friend on a one-on-one level. You could be distracted by what is happening between you. Take a day trip together or go off to a movie or an art show. Avoid making judgments and becoming controlling. Tonight: Whatever makes you happy.

#### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Your intuition might tell you that your way of communicating could be difficult for a loved one to accept. Make an effort to be more in touch with this person's style, and be willing to try out his or her suggestions more often. Tonight: Out and about socializing.

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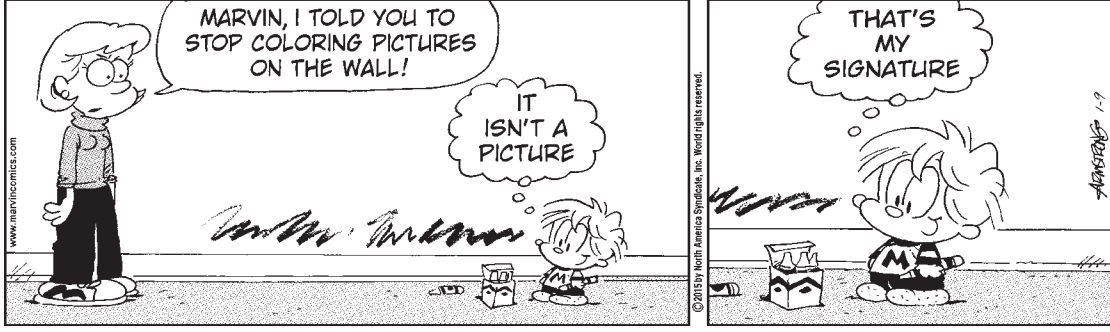
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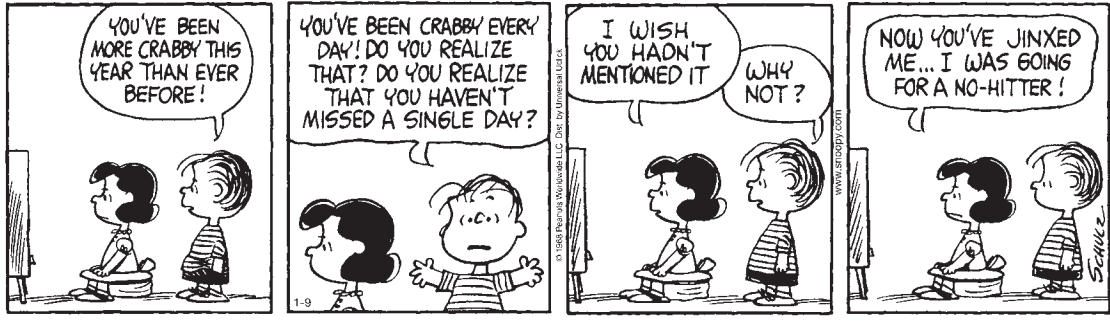
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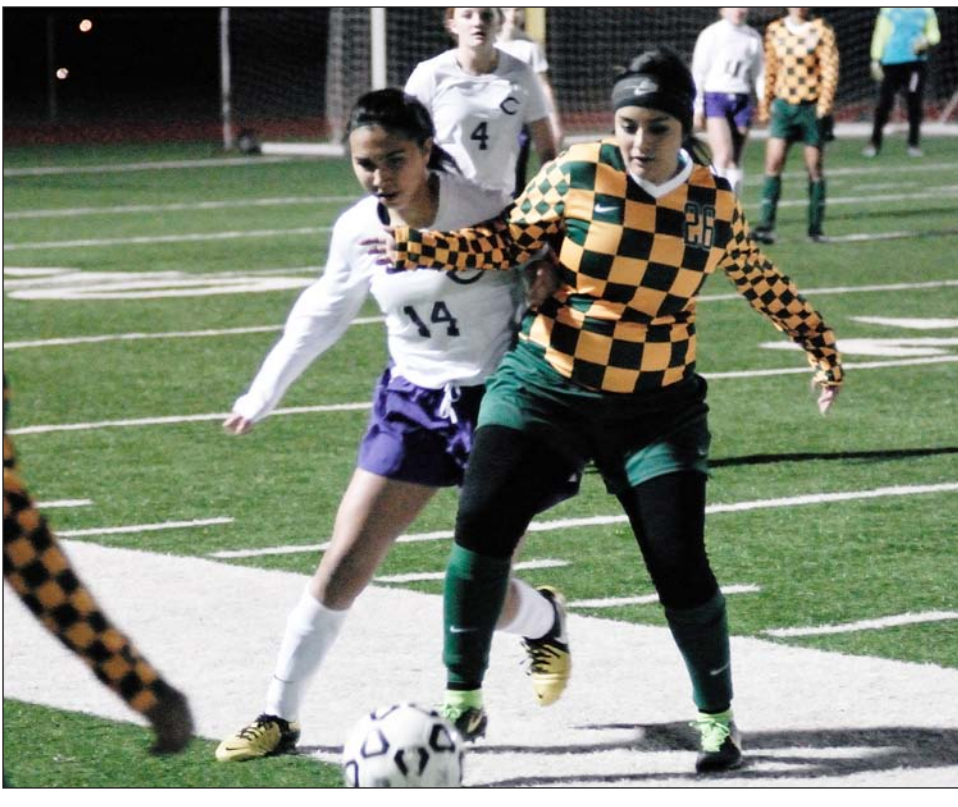
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## LADY HARVESTERS FIGHT HARD BUT DROP 2-1 CONTEST TO CANYON



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The Pampa Lady Harvesters fought hard but lost to Canyon 2-1 on Tuesday night. Above left, Madison Young rears back to kick the ball. Above right, goalie Karen Duarte tries to save a goal from going in for Canyon. Below left, Karoley Villareal fights for the ball. Below right, Madelyn Solis tries to pass the ball to a teammate before getting stopped by Canyon. Bottom left, Ariel Cambern fights for the ball. Bottom right, Bennett Cambern drives forward to get past a Canyon defender. The girls will be back in action this weekend at the Abilene Tournament.



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**DEAR ABBY:** I am worried about how my 10-year-old son, "Jake," will take some news he's not aware of yet. I wasn't able to have children, so my husband and I turned to in-vitro, using a donated egg from a family member. We thank God this method worked. Our plan was to explain it to Jake when he got older, once he understood about the birds and the bees. Now I am starting to get this fear that he will be very upset when he learns about it and be angry with us.

I don't want him to go into a depression over it. What should we do? Should we wait like we planned? Should we have told him already? Or should we say nothing? — MOM IN CHICAGO

**DEAR MOM:** Not knowing Jake, I can't gauge his level of maturity. I'm not sure why being told how special he is, and how grateful you and your husband are to be his parents would send him into a depression. But because you think it might, discuss this with a child psychologist before talking to your son. Please don't put this off, because if other family members know about the egg donation, it is only a matter of time before the cat will be out of the bag, and it's better that Jake hears

**this information from you.**

**DEAR ABBY:** I am a 23-year-old woman in grad school, and I have noticed something about my male friends. Whenever they meet a new girl, the first comment out of their mouths is about her looks. Then they will expound at length on her physical assets (or lack thereof).

Abby, it makes me furious. Not only does it make me feel self-conscious about my own body, it also makes me angry that these talented, charming and outgoing girls are judged first by their cup size.

Is there anything I can say to my friends to make them amend their behavior? Or am I being overly sensitive and need to accept that this is a "guy thing"? Thanks for your input. — OBJECTIFIED IN OMAHA

**DEAR OBJECTIFIED:** It's a guy thing. That they talk this way in front of you may indicate that they consider you "one of the guys." Since it bothers you, speak up and suggest they knock it off. If you do, it may jar them back to reality.

**DEAR ABBY:** My wife and I would love your take on a disagreement we've had since we were married. It's the age-old question, "So, where did you two meet?"

We met abroad at a university exchange program and were introduced to each other by our school sponsors in the bar where all the students hung out. We shook hands, exchanged greetings and I left right afterward.

I answer the question by saying, "We met in a bar." My wife says, "We met in university." Who's right? — BAR NONE? IN TEXAS

**DEAR BAR NONE:** You both are, but have you never heard the adage, "A happy wife makes for a happy life"? My advice is to stick with her version.

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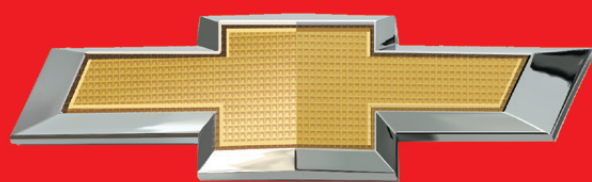
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