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Today's Outlook

Mostly sunny High: 96 | Low: 74

Temple City Council on the fence

Council undecided about a possible ban on members conducting business with the city

BY FRED AFFLERBACH
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It's no secret. Temple councilman Tony Jeter wants an independent committee to review the city charter regarding elected officials doing business with the city. The charter hasn't been amended in 19 years.

But he can't count on much help from the mayor and fellow council members. The two additional votes he needs to pass a motion that would put the issue to a public vote is likely not there.

Councilman Russell Schneider and Mayor Bill Jones III, the two members who have

abstained from voting or discussion on city projects involving their personal financial interests, have opposed Jeter on the issue for more than one year.

Monday, Marty Janczak, District 3 councilman for a year and a half, said he largely

because it looked "political." He says if everything is above-board with business dealings between elected officials and the city, he sees no problem.

Janczak said the city could lose some talented people if it prohibited council members from doing business with the city.

"That lowers your talent pool of who might have the opportunity to provide public service to the community," Janczak said. "I think there's been pretty

much full disclosure. As long as people who have those relationships do that, I for one am very comfortable with that."

Patsy Luna has served on the council for six years. She said she has not made a decision if she would vote for a motion that could put the matter to a public vote. But, like Janczak, she feels amending the city charter to prohibit officials from doing business with the city will discourage good candidates from running.

"I'm not willing to say outright I would vote for or against it. I want to keep an open mind and see what develops," Ms. Luna said.

Meanwhile, Jeter continues to follow the issue on his blog. Reacting to Jones' comments last week, he said the mayor and Schneider had a closed mind regarding the issue.

"He's not going to participate in a discussion in calling a

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A century of educational service



Harper Scott Clark/Telegram

The Bartlett school district passed a bond election in 1908-09 that funded this multi-wing brick building designed by noted Austin architect A.O. Watson. The

school, now used as a museum and community activities center, will celebrate its 100th birthday Saturday with a schedule of events.

Bartlett school turns 100

BY HARPER SCOTT CLARK
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BARTLETT — A grand old lady in Bartlett will pass the century mark this year.

And she gets to blow out 100 candles at a centennial celebration planned in her honor Saturday.

Ceremonies will begin at 2 p.m. at the Bartlett Grammar School at 300 W. Bell St. to honor the landmark building that opened for classes Sept. 13, 1909.

The two-story, 16-sided red

How To Get There

- Coming from the Temple-Belton area take Interstate 35 south to Salado, getting off at exit No. 285 - Thomas Arnold Road.
- Turn left on Thomas Arnold Road, crossing the freeway, and go to Main Street.
- Turn right on Main Street and go south to the interchange with FM 2268.
- Turn left on FM 2268 and go to Holland.
- Turn right on Texas 95 and travel south to Bartlett.
- In Bartlett turn right on West Bell Street and go three blocks.

brick edifice sits jauntily at a diagonal on a full city block of land and is visually the most arresting building in

town. A prime example of picturesque gothic revival of the late 19th century, the school was designed by archi-

tect A.O. Watson of Austin.

Watson designed a number of Texas buildings including Main Hall at Texas A&M in 1871, the main building at Baylor University in 1886 and the Comanche County and Milam County courthouses in 1890.

Watson's hand shows in the design of the Bartlett Grammar School. With its imposing bell tower, the school takes on the appearance of a city hall, courthouse or fortress.

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Molestation trial begins

Former Little River-Academy volunteer firefighter faces allegations of abuse

BY PAUL A. ROMER
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BELTON — A jury was selected Monday in the sexual assault trial of William Thomas Jacobsen, a former Little River-Academy volunteer firefighter and youth baseball coach accused of molesting at least two boys.

Jacobsen is charged with continuous sexual abuse of a young child or children, a law first instituted in September 2007. The law, a get-tough measure on sexual predators, raised the minimum punishment on certain sexual assault convictions to 25 years in prison. Life without parole is the maximum.

Jacobsen, 32, is the first person in Bell County to go to

trial on the charge.

The jury will begin hearing testimony after opening arguments at 9:15 a.m. today in 27th District Court with Judge Joe Carroll presiding.

The allegations against Jacobsen surfaced in June 2008 after a 13-year-old boy was examined at Scott & White Memorial Hospital in Temple. The boy told an investigator that Jacobsen had sexual contact with him at Jacobsen's home on County Line Road near Rogers.

The name of another boy under age 14, who says Jacobsen abused him, was included in an October 2008 indictment that formalized the charge against Jacobsen.

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Missing man with Alzheimer's found

BY TANYA COOPER
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Sunday night was a nightmare for a Temple family when their 70-year-old father and grandfather, who suffers from Alzheimer's, wandered away and was missing for almost nine hours.

But, they said, police response and the dogged search for Lonnie Capps kept their hopes alive.

Lonnie lives with his son, Dan, daughter-in-law Lisa and his grandsons in the 1200 block of Hillcrest Road. The family just moved to the city about a month ago. Dealing with Alzheimer's is something the family has become accus-

tomed to, and Lonnie has his daily routine.

"He liked to sit outside here and smoke," Lisa said at the house late Sunday. "He would walk around the yard and the house but never went far — he never went out the driveway." Lonnie had his supper and went outside to enjoy a couple of cigarettes before a snack and bedtime. Neighbors saw him there between 7:30 and 8 p.m.

At about 8:30 p.m. Lisa realized her father-in-law hadn't come in for his snack.

"That was unusual," Lisa said. "He loves his food. He has always been a good eater." The family searched the yard

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Marijuana reform on the rise

BY DAVID CRARY
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NEW YORK — The savage drug war in Mexico. Crumbling state budgets. Weariness with current drug policy. The election of a president who said, "Yes — I inhaled."

These developments and others are kindling unprecedented optimism among the many Americans who want to see marijuana legalized.

Doing so, they contend to an ever-more-receptive audience, could weaken the Mexican cartels now profiting from U.S. pot sales, save billions in law enforcement costs, and generate billions more in tax revenue from one of the

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nation's biggest cash crops.

Said a veteran of the movement, Ethan Nadelmann of the Drug Policy Alliance: "This is the first time I feel like the wind is at my back and not in my face."

Foes of legalization argue that already-rampant pot use by adolescents would worsen if adults could smoke at will.

Even the most hopeful marijuana activists doubt nationwide decriminalization is imminent, but they see the debate evolving dramatically and anticipate fast-paced change on the state level.

"For the most part, what we've seen over the past 20 years has been incremental," said Norm Stamper, a former Seattle police chief now active with Law Enforcement Against Prohibition.

"What we've seen in the past six months is an explosion of activity, fresh thinking, bold statements and

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Sarah Armstrong joins demonstrators in February protesting the federal government's arrest of those who sell medical marijuana in California — legal under state law but prohibited under federal law — outside the Roybal Federal Building in downtown Los Angeles. AP file photo



TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE

"The Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations." — II Peter 2:9

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