High School senior Cade Powell was named Student of the Month for Brownfield Independent School District. Cade, the son of Rusty and Jennifer Powell, is a high-achieving student and active in several extracurricular activities, including president of the National Honor Society chapter and captain of the Cub football team. He is shown accepting the honor from board of trustees Vice President Tony Serbantez.

Brownfield Regional Medical Center CEO Mike Click accepted a check for $5,500 Friday morning from Dorris Redding-Jackson of Covenant Hospital in Levelland. The check is for proceeds of tickets sold in Brownfield for the recent Gala benefitting Levelland's hospital and featuring BHS grad Gary P. Nunn as entertainment. Organizers allocated a portion of each ticket sold locally to BRMC for equipment purchases. Click said the money would be used to purchase laptops for the hospital's home health division, as well as other needed equipment. Also pictured are, left to right, Dan Jackson, Lorena Valencia, Ed Pfeiffer, Redding-Jackson, Click, Shane Faught and Bill McGowan II.

AP News in Brief

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (AP) — Pakistani police opened fire on rioters who were torching a cinema during a protest against an anti-Islam film Friday, killing one man on a holiday declared by the government so that people could demonstrate against the video.

Mohammad Amir, a driver for a Pakistani television station, was killed when bullets hit his vehicle in the northwest city of Peshawar, said Kashif Mahmood, a reporter for ARY TV who was also sitting in the car at the time. The TV channel showed footage of Amir at the hospital as doctors tried to save him. It also showed the windshield of the vehicle, shattered by several gunshots.

The film denigrating the Prophet Muhammad has sparked unrest in many parts of the Muslim world over the past 10 days, and the deaths of at least 31 people, including the U.S. ambassador to Libya, have been linked to the violence. Much of the anger has been directed at the U.S. government even though the film was privately produced in the U.S. and American officials have criticized it for insulting Muslims.

Pakistan has experienced nearly a week of violent rallies against the film in which three people have died. The government declared Friday to be a national holiday and encouraged people to protest peacefully.

Police could not immediately be reached for comment about the death of Amir.

High School counselor Lori Pharis was named Employee of the Month for Brownfield Independent School District. Pharis and her husband, Cade, have two children. She is shown accepting the honor from board of trustees Vice President Tony Serbantez.

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