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# Feed the Kids



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**Pantry manager Kathy Richters bags food items at the Feed The Kids food pantry operated by Coahoma Independent School District.**

Coahoma ISD students don't worry about having to go hungry, thanks to the district's new food pantry

Story and photo by Amanda Elston

**C**OAHOMA — The oil and gas industry can fluctuate suddenly, leaving some families high and dry during the holiday season. Families of Howard County know this first hand. But thanks to the new initiative of West Texas Food Bank and Coahoma Independent School District, these families impacted by low gas prices and other families in need that have students in CISD won't have to worry about going hungry.

The Coahoma Feed the Kids Pantry opened its doors for the first time on Nov. 20 in the annex behind the CISD administration building. The

food pantry is the first of its kind for the West Texas Food Bank and according to a press release, it is estimated that 150 to 200 families will be eligible to receive food.

"We have several kids who have a need for food and don't have food on the weekends when they go home," CISD superintendent Amy Jacobs said. "The oil and gas industry can change, leaving families who don't qualify for free and reduced lunch temporarily unable to provide food for their family."

Jacobs said the school district has multiple committees to help improve the school district, but the School

Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) was the one that led the way in getting the pantry started after being inspired by Big Spring's backpack program.

"We participated in the assembly of backpacks in Big Spring where we helped put together bags of food to go home with children on the weekends and were inspired to do something similar here," Jacobs said. "We wended up with a hybrid program of our own."

By hybrid, Jacobs means that in addition to the pantry, families unable to visit the pantry can notify the school office to have prepack-

aged things to go home in backpack on the weekend. Homer Gutierrez, program director for West Texas Food Bank, explained the difference between the two.

"School pantries are a program usually graduated from a backpack program," Gutierrez said. "School pantries are more cost-effective and can provide up to three times more food than backpacks. Clients may be feeling down about their situation. Rather than getting a backpack full of things they may not want or need, they can visit the school pantry

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## Officials eye re-opening of auditorium in coming weeks

BY LYNDEL MOODY  
 Staff Writer

Renovation for the Big Spring Municipal Auditorium has reach a point that city officials plan to reopen the facility in the coming weeks.

According to Debbie Wegman, city of Big Spring community service director, the auditorium should be reopen for use by December just in time for the popular Tchaikovsky: Nutcracker Ballet presented by the Big Spring Symphony and Midland Festival Ballet.

For most of the year, the municipal auditorium has been closed for major renovation to upgrade the lighting, stage rigging, and draperies getting them on par for today's use, Wegman said.

"The municipal auditorium is one of our most historic buildings, and we want to increase utilization of this important facility," Wegman said. "With these improve-



ments, we will be able to bring in more outside entertainment to utilize this facility."

After reopening, renovation will continue on the sound

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## City blood drive set for Dec. 4

BY LYNDEL MOODY  
 Staff Writer

With holiday shopping soon, if not already, on the mind, area residents may also consider giving one more gift — the gift of life.

According to Linda Grace, United Blood Service senior donor recruitment representative, blood supply shortages usually occur around the holidays as more people travel during the season. Grace said blood supplies usually begin to run low or become critical after the Thanksgiving holidays with Christmas about a month away and New Years just a week from that.

"It is usually a good time to build up the supply of blood before or just after a holiday," Grace said. "Last year, a hunter had an accident. It took 62 pints of

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## Obituaries

### LaVelle Armstrong



LaVelle Smith Armstrong, 79, of Roanoke, formerly of Big Spring, passed away Monday, Nov. 23, 2015 in Fort Worth. Graveside service will be held at 2 p.m. today, Nov. 25, 2015 at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

LaVelle was born May 20, 1936 in Big Spring, Texas to Methel Bell (Murray) Harrison and Ross Harrison. She married R.C. "Jack" Armstrong in July 1983. She was a lifetime resident of Howard County until moving to Roanoke 12 years ago. She was a homemaker and of the Messianic Faith.

### R. D. "Rip" Arthur

R. D. "Rip" Arthur, 92, of Coahoma, died Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2015 at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

### Ella Mae Thurman

Ella Mae Thurman, 90, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2015, in a Colorado City nursing home. Services are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **ARNULFA CHAVERA**, 55, of 1108 W. 6<sup>th</sup> St. was arrested on warrants for safety belt, child under 17 and failure to appear.
- **NATHAN KYLE MILLER**, 32, of 413 S. Adams, Coahoma was arrested on warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia and failure to appear.
- **AMANDA DAWN MCCORMACK**, 25, of 1300 Dixie was arrested on a charge of criminal trespassing - property/building/aircraft/vehicle.
- **LISA MARIE SALAZAR**, 47, of 2603 Ent Dr. was arrested on warrants for speeding and driving while license invalid.
- **TYLER LANE ROBERTSON**, 22, of 501 S. Loop 250 W. Apt. 635 was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **CODY KYLE WITT**, 30, of 310 E. 21<sup>st</sup> St. was arrested on warrants for disregard red light, fail to appear and nine warrants from other agencies.
- **FRANK ALEXANDER TREVINO**, 27, of 1425 E. 6<sup>th</sup> St. was arrested on a warrant for assault that causes bodily injury to a family member.
- **SANJUANITA KAYSIE OLIVARES**, 20, of 2403 Alabama St. was arrested on a warrant for possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **ELDA MELINA BERNAL**, 45, of 1311 Mobile St. was arrested on a charge of theft of property, less than \$100 shoplifting.
- **DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 1300 block of Dixie Ave and the 100 block of Cottonwood St.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 1600 block of Martin Luther King Blvd., the 500 block of S. Birdwell Lane, the 200 block of E. 11<sup>th</sup> Place and the 200 block of W. FM 700.
- **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported in the 500 block of E. FM 700.

## Sheriff

The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity:

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 58 inmates at the time of this report.
- **ELDA MELINA BERNAL**, 45, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of theft of property, less than \$100, shoplifting.
  - **ARUNLFO CHAVERA SR.** 55, was booked by

Lavelle is survived by two sons, Don Smith and wife, Sandy, and Ed Smith and wife, Linda, all of Big Spring; one daughter, Susan Flickinger and husband, Terry, of Roanoke; five grandchildren, J.D. Smith and wife, Kara, and Jake Smith, all of Big Spring and Austin Flickinger, Chase Flickinger and Paige Flickinger, all of Roanoke; and four great-grandchildren.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by two brothers, Billy Vaughn and Jim Harrison and her sister Margie Chambers.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at [www.myersand-smith.com](http://www.myersand-smith.com)

*Paid obituary*

the BSPD on warrants for violate promise to appear and child (4-7) not secured by safety belt.

- **TIFFANY ANN ELDER**, 33, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for failure to appear - unauthorized used of a vehicle, failure to appear - evading arrest/detention with vehicle, bondsman off bond - unauthorized used of a vehicle and bondsman off bond - evading arrest/detention with vehicle.
- **HETHER LYNN MAY**, 31, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for prostitution and bail jumping and fail to appear.
- **AMANDA DAWN MCCORMACK**, 25, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of criminal trespassing.
- **NATHAN KYLE MILLER**, 32, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for possession drug paraphernalia and fail to appear.
- **SANJUANITA KAYSIE OLIVARES**, 20, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **ELIZABETH CRUS RIOS**, 38, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for failure to appear - aggravated assault with deadly weapon.
- **TYLER LANE ROBERTSON**, 22, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for driving while license invalid.
- **LISA MARIE SALAZAR**, 47, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for driving while license invalid and speeding.
- **CODY K. WITT**, 30, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for issuance of bad check; ran a red stoplight; violate promise to appear; theft of property, more than \$500 but less than \$1500; theft of property by check, more than \$500 but less than \$1500; theft of property, more than \$1500 but less than \$20k; capias - theft, more than \$20k but less than \$100k; capias - theft more than \$15k but less than \$20k, theft of property by check; theft of service, more than \$500 but less than \$1500 and theft of property, more than \$20 but less than \$500.

## Fire/EMS

The Big Spring Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 2500 block of Rebecca. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported on Interstate 20 near mile marker 175. No transport.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of Sgt. Perdez. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 4100 block of FM 700. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of Hwy 87. One person was transported to SMMC.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 2300 block of Goliad. No transport.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 300 block of Veterans. No transport.
- **STRUCTURE FIRE** was reported in the 400 block of Presidio. Fire was extinguished.

night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

### SUNDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous closed meeting from 11 a.m. to noon at 615 Settles. Open meeting 7 p.m. until 8 p.m.

### MONDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 6:06 p.m. to 7 p.m.

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## Man & Woman of the Year applications due Tuesday

Applications for the annual Man and Woman of the Year are due Tuesday at the Chamber of Commerce. Criteria for selection is as follows:

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### Local 5-Day Forecast

Thu 11/26	Fri 11/27	Sat 11/28	Sun 11/29	Mon 11/30
<b>69/50</b>	<b>46/26</b>	<b>36/29</b>	<b>49/35</b>	<b>58/38</b>
Windy with scattered t-storms. High 69F. Winds S at 20 to 30 mph. Chance of rain 40%.	Mainly cloudy with rain, windy. Highs in the mid 40s and lows in the mid 20s.	Freezing rain likely. Highs in the mid 30s and lows in the upper 20s.	More clouds than sun. Highs in the upper 40s and lows in the mid 30s.	Times of sun and clouds. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the upper 30s.
Sunrise: 7:25 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:25 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:26 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:27 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM	Sunrise: 7:28 AM Sunset: 5:41 PM

### Texas at a Glance



### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Arlene	73	61	Cloudy	Kingsville	78	69	Cloudy
Amarillo	75	51	Sunny	Livingston	74	63	Cloudy
Austin	73	63	Cloudy	Longview	70	61	Cloudy
Beaumont	73	62	P Cloudy	Lubbock	73	55	Cloudy
Brownsville	79	70	Cloudy	Lufkin	74	62	Cloudy
Brownwood	73	62	Cloudy	Midland	74	60	Cloudy
Corpus Christi	76	68	Cloudy	Raymondville	78	70	Cloudy
Corsicana	72	62	Cloudy	Rosenberg	75	65	Cloudy
Dallas	71	61	Cloudy	San Antonio	76	67	Cloudy
Del Rio	76	66	Foggy	San Marcos	74	64	Cloudy
El Paso	75	53	P Cloudy	Sulphur Springs	68	63	Cloudy
Fort Stockton	80	56	Sunny	Sweetwater	72	61	Cloudy
Gainesville	66	60	Cloudy	Tyler	70	62	Cloudy
Greenville	69	61	Cloudy	Weatherford	68	62	Cloudy
Houston	74	65	Cloudy	Wichita Falls	74	63	Cloudy

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	57	43	M Cloudy	Miami	79	72	Showers/Wind
Boston	45	38	Sunny	Minneapolis	47	31	M Cloudy
Chicago	50	47	Sunny	New York	51	45	Sunny
Dallas	71	61	Cloudy	Phoenix	74	48	M Cloudy
Denver	43	20	P Cloudy	San Francisco	56	43	Clear
Houston	56	49	Cloudy	Seattle	45	33	Clear
Los Angeles	61	45	Cloudy	Saint Louis	57	51	P Cloudy

### Moon Phases

<b>First</b> Nov 19	<b>Full</b> Nov 25	<b>Last</b> Dec 3	<b>New</b> Dec 11

### UV Index

Thu 11/26	Fri 11/27	Sat 11/28	Sun 11/29	Mon 11/30
2	2	2	3	3
Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

## Support Groups

### FRIDAY

- Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls). Open meeting at 7 p.m.
- AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

### SATURDAY

- Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday



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# PANTRY

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and have a choice on the food they receive.”

While West Texas Food Bank helped CISD get the program off the ground by donating and raising the initial startup, the food pantry has had help from the entire community, Jacobs said.

“We have a very caring administration staff who are always trying to figure out how to do more,” Jacobs said. “Local churches and individuals have helped us out with the pantry. The elementary schools had a Pop Tart drive and the high school participated in many canned food drives. In fact, the First Baptist Coahoma youth group helped pack and set up for our opening day. It’s a great way for kids to learn how to help other kids in the community.”

In order to participate in the program, one must have a student in the district. Family members can visit the pantry from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. each Friday the school is open and each family has an allotment of what they can take based on the size of their family. If you are interested in volunteering, call 394-5000, ext. 4. You can also donate online at <https://www.wtxfoodbank.org/get-involved/donate-money/> and add “Coahoma CISD” following your last name.

“I just want to thank SHAC, the local churches, community members, and school staff for the support in this,” Jacobs said. “This is something that will sustain itself and help people for years to come.”

Contact Managing Editor Amanda Elston at 432-263-7331, ext. 230, or by email at [editor@bigspringherald.com](mailto:editor@bigspringherald.com)

- A pig showmanship camp sponsored by the Howard County Livestock Association will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Dec. 12 at Howard College. The cost is \$10 and is open to the first 50 exhibitors. Lunch is included in the cost. Topics covered is basics of showmanship, feed and nutrition and daily management. To registrar, e-mail [HCJLA01@gmail.com](mailto:HCJLA01@gmail.com).

- The Big Spring Chamber of Commerce will be accepting toy donations from Nov. 9 through Dec. 9. Please bring new, unwrapped toys for boys and girls (ages 2-18) to 215 W. 3rd St. Call 432-263-7641 for more information.

- Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to sit with patients, make items for patients and help with office work. Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Sherry Hodnett at 264-7911 or 432-213-0150.

- Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Kim Plew at 263-4016 or 213-7960.

- Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

- The Feast of Sharing is looking for volunteers to help with the community wide meal that will take place Dec. 6 at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum. Looking for Mr. and Mrs Claus, servers, greeters, entertainers, etc. Contact Debra Moreno at 432-816-6018.

# Take note

- The Big Spring Symphony Board of Directors meets every first Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at the symphony office, 808 Scurry Street.

- Howard County Community Health Center, 1300 South Gregg St., has certified application counselors who will help you apply and enroll in the Healthcare Marketplace during open enrollment. Please call 432-517-4557 to make an appointment to enroll in health coverage or renew/change last year’s coverage. The certified application counselor will help you decide what coverage options best fit your needs, as well as what financial assistance you may qualify for.

- Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours of day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed.

If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

- The largest fundraiser for the Hangar 25 Air Museum, the Silver Wings Ball will be held at the Hotel Settles, Jan. 23, 2016. Cocktail hour will begin at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased from any board member. To find out more information or to become a sponsor

for the event, contact Hangar 25 Air Museum at 432-264-1999.

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- Food 2 Kids Big Spring Needs You! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed.

# BLOOD

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blood to stop the bleeding. That can exhaust our supply quickly.”

The city of Big Spring

will host a blood drive on Friday, Dec. 4, at the city council chambers, 310 Nolan St., from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information or to register early, call Stacy King at 264-2347.

Earlier this month, Howard College held a blood drive where 40 donors gave 51 pints of blood.

“The goal was to have 40 donors donated 48 pints of blood,” Grace

said. “This was the second largest blood drive ever at Howard College.”

According to Jones, those 51 pints will be able to save 153 lives. Each pint is broken down

into its components — red blood cells, plasma, and platelets with each having individual use in a medical situation.

United Blood Services provides blood supplies to this area including Scenic Mountain Medical Center

# RE-OPEN

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equipment as the Big Spring city council recently gave the go-ahead to start the bidding process, wbut Wegman said, she doesn’t foresee

any other lengthy closure in the near future.

“We did have the sound system upgrade in our previous budget, but we didn’t have enough money so we included our currently fiscal year,” she said. “We see upgrades down the line like replacing some

of the worn out seats but we think this is the last major one for now.”

Built in the 1930s, this is the second major renovation of the historic building in the last 10 years. In 2009, the facilities doors were shuttered to get the building complaint with the

American with Disabilities Act (ADA).

Once open, the auditorium can be reserved through Terri Telchik, facilities coordinator for the city of big Spring, at 264-2323.

Staff Writer Lyndel Moody can be contacted at 263-7331, ext. 234, or by email at [citydesk@bigspringherald.com](mailto:citydesk@bigspringherald.com).

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# Opinion

*“Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.”*

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## DAILY PRAYER

May we remain diligent about reading Your word, Lord, for our life.

Amen

# Embrace 'Thanks-living'

A couple of years ago, I heard a comedian do a routine that included him telling about his idea to market “Mis-Fortune” cookies. Instead of the expected optimistic messages nestling inside your after-dinner crispy concoction, there would be things like, “You will wreck your car tomorrow”, “You will be fired Tuesday”, or, well, you get the idea.



EDDY PRINCE

Thursday is the one day every year where essentially everyone in America will pause and be mindful of their blessings. We call it Thanksgiving, but I have for years advocated a year-around state of existence called “Thanksgiving”.

What’s the difference? One is an oft superficial, and maybe even perfunctory, day of traditionalism, while the other is a lifestyle worthy of honor. One focuses on 24 hours of food, family, and football while the other finds nuggets of gold all along the journey. One causes us to pause temporarily from our busy schedules to acknowledge many things we appreciate in our lives, yet the other is a lifestyle of constant gratitude for even the smallest of blessings. One seems to fade from memory almost immediately after the last piece of mom’s apple pie, the other being an abiding inner strength that sustains us daily and prevents us from taking precious things for granted.

John H. Kennedy said, “As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.” One of the things so terribly wrong with society today is its emphasis on material things and its distorted concept of what constitutes happiness in life. Sometimes I just ache to take the less-traveled path, color outside the lines, and march to the beat of a different drum.

Maybe we could divest ourselves of some of the traditionally accepted ideology and make Thanksgiving something it’s never been before. This year let’s go the second mile and perhaps discover a new and excit-

ing level of gratitude to enjoy.

I want to challenge you, my dear reader, to experience a different kind of Thanksgiving tomorrow. I mean, after all, what can be said about the origin and traditions of Thanksgiving that haven’t already been written a hundred times? We all know about the Pilgrims and the Indians, as well as the other applications and legends associated with this wonderful holiday, which frankly has always seemed to be a step-child of the “Big One” next month. We know well how to celebrate one day of Thanksgiving in November, but what about the other 300-plus days that aren’t designated on our calendars in red?

As I was pondering some of the things I want to be especially grateful for throughout the year, my mind went past the obvious list of my fabulous wife, great kids and grands, treasured friends, food, clothes, shelter, relationship with God, and, of course, good health, and I began to list things I never want to take for granted. While that certainly includes the priceless assortment of blessings just mentioned, I thought of a few more.

I agree with Ken Wert, a blogger and author who says he is thankful for Second Chances. Imagine if everything you ever did was the final play, no do-overs possible. No U-turns after wrong turns.

No cleanups after accidents. No adjustments, fixes or improvements. Imagine if mistakes were permanent and weaknesses forever branded you intractably and irredeemably flawed beyond repair. I’m grateful for about-faces, apologies and course corrections. I’m grateful that do-overs are not only allowed, but encouraged.

Mr. Wert and I agree on another one; Glasses. He said, “I’ve aged. My eyes don’t focus up close like they used to. I thank Heaven for whoever looked at a piece of glass and decided it could correct for the ravages of age on eyes.” Along with Ken, I am thankful that I don’t have to stumble and squint my way through every day.

Something as simple as eye glasses have made my life so much better and I am thankful for optometrists and all the team that makes clear vision a reality. Imagine not being able to read,

write, watch a movie, drive, or enjoy the majesty of God’s creation as you travel the country. So simple, yet so wonderful.

I am thankful the West Texas drought is over. I am also thankful for people and processes that have made it possible for us to drink clean water. Nearly 1 out of every 5 deaths under the age of 5 worldwide is due to a water-related disease. 783 million people do not have access to clean and safe water and 1 in 9 people worldwide do not have access to safe and clean drinking water. In developing countries, as much as 80% of illnesses are linked to poor water and sanitation conditions and half of the world’s hospital beds are filled with people suffering from a water-related disease. ([thewaterproject.org](http://thewaterproject.org))

Frank Clark said, “If a fellow isn’t thankful for what he’s got, he isn’t likely to be thankful for what he’s going to get.” On that note, I’m thankful for computers, flash drives, electricity and dishwashers. When was the last time you were really grateful for indoor plumbing and a refrigerator? Have you ever been thankful for trials and tests in your life and family? Hard to imagine I know, but so much character, patience, faith and hope is developed in the darkroom of hardship.

We are quick to get frustrated when the car won’t start but are we ever thankful for the hundreds of times it does? Do we appreciate soldiers, policemen, firefighters, and all public servants as much as we should? The list of things to be grateful for this Thanksgiving is long and varied. We have a plethora of problems facing us in our world but there is so much to be thankful for.

Noel Smith said, “Gratitude is not a spiritual or moral desert which we may take or push away according to the whims of the moment... Gratitude is the very bread and meat of spiritual and moral health, individually and collectively.”

You may not agree with anything I’ve said, but I column as I see ‘em.

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# Rating Trump’s dignity, respect

Donald Trump is like a contagion who infects everyone around him. Once you’ve kissed, you can never wipe his saliva off your face. Consider the venerable (in its own view) NBC. This year, the network fired Trump, only to find it is Trump Lite.

On June 16, when Trump was announcing his candidacy for the White House, the billionaire reality-TV star faulted Mexico for sending problem people to the United States. Quoth Trump: “They’re bringing drugs. They’re bringing crime. They’re rapists.” Those comments were stupid and racist — and they should have caused Trump to tank in the polls and ended his vanity campaign.

Instead, they cost Trump some must-miss NBC TV — the Miss USA and Miss Universe pageants.

Also, he wouldn’t appear on future episodes of “Celebrity Apprentice.” “At NBC, respect and dignity for all people are cornerstones of our values,” a statement explained. “Due to the recent derogatory statements by Donald Trump regarding immigrants, NBCUniversal is ending its business relationship with Mr. Trump.”

Trump responded that NBC was “weak” and trying to be

“politically correct.”

That was before Trump’s participation prompted record numbers of viewers to tune in to the GOP presidential debates. Then a funny thing happened to “respect and dignity” at 30 Rock; they did not apply to “Saturday Night Live,” on which Trump was invited to serve as a guest host.

Of course, the Congressional Hispanic Caucus protested. The Democratic group (there are no Republican members) called on “SNL” executive producer Lorne Michaels “to disinvite Mr. Trump from hosting Saturday Night Live because racism is not funny.” Values, its statement added, “are more important than ratings and ad revenues.”

After the Trump episode aired on Nov. 7, NBC met with six members of the caucus and their aides.

A Politico story on the meeting is the impetus for this column. It seems that NBC News President Deborah Turness intended to use the meeting to tout NBC’s advances in newsroom diversity. Instead, she angered the group when she praised NBC’s coverage of Pope Francis talking to a young girl who was afraid her parents would be deported because they are “illegals.”

“I’m going to stop you right there,” Rep. Juan Vargas, D-Calif., reportedly responded. “We use the term undocumented immigrants.”

Turness apologized, Politico reported.

She pushed her foot further

into her mouth when she said: “We love the Hispanic community. ... Yo hablo espanol.” There’s a term for that misstep. It is called Hispandering.

On the one hand, I think a caucus member had a solid point in arguing that NBC probably would not have allowed Trump on “SNL” if he had uttered similar slurs about African-Americans or Jews.

On the other hand, the caucus is being too precious taking umbrage at the word “illegals.” Newspaper conventions limit the term’s usage, but “illegal” is a short step from “undocumented.”

It’s not “rapist.” When GOP strategist Hector Barajas read the Politico story, he said that the first thing that popped into his mind was Ivy League students pushing their weight around with speech codes and superficial demands. It’s as if those kids have “graduated and become legislators.”

Because NBC brass did not pander gracefully, legislators bullied NBC, which had leaned on Trump, who trashed NBC but still came back for the curtain call. They are all infected. They preen about their principles, but it’s all preening.

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DEBRA SAUNDERS





## More stores opening on Thanksgiving

NEW YORK (AP) — Some big retailers face scrutiny for opening on Thanksgiving, but many small stores have no choice.

Take jeweler Jerry Amerosi, who has three stores in New York's Staten Island Mall. Amerosi says he'd rather not work on the holiday, and if his stores were on a downtown or neighborhood street, he wouldn't.

But his lease at the mall requires him to open. That's the norm for most malls, whose landlords fine retailers up to \$1,000 or more if they don't open.

So, Amerosi's stores will be open 6 p.m. to midnight. Eight employees will be working, and if this Thanksgiving is like last year's holiday, they'll have their hands full.

"It was crazy busy," says Amerosi, who declined to give sales figures for his stores, which include Gerald Peters and Gerald Peters Gold Mine.

Big national retailers and malls began opening on Thanksgiving several years ago. The idea was to cater to people who can't wait until the day after Thanksgiving known as Black Friday, to start their holiday shopping.

But that has led to criticism of retailers by some labor groups and shoppers for requiring workers to give up time with their families. As a result, some

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stores have come out publicly to proclaim that they'll remain closed on Thanksgiving. TJX, which owns TJ Maxx, Marshalls, and HomeGoods, even rolled out ads this year that tout its decision to stay closed during the holidays, with a narrator saying "family time comes first."

Still, there's been an expanding list in recent years of big chains and shopping centers that open at least part of the day. It can pay off: Shoppers spent an estimated \$3.3 billion on Thanksgiving last year, according to ShopperTrak, a company that compiles retail industry statistics.

The economics of opening on Thanksgiving can be a little different for the smaller guys. Flower and candy shops in some areas may decide to stay open for customers who need something at the last minute to take to Thanksgiving dinner. But experts say stores that sell gift items for the December holidays are likely to have few takers unless they're in a mall.

Most independent retailers are likely to close

to spend time with their families, but also because shoppers won't be prowling downtown areas and neighborhoods to see who might be open, says Bob Phibbs, CEO of The Retail Doctor, a consulting company based in Coxsackie, New York. Unless a retailer is a coffee house or food store, he says they'll probably waste time and money by being open.

"They're not going to get much sympathy," Phibbs says. "People are going to ask, 'Are you nuts? Why didn't you close?'"

But some small stores in malls don't have a choice.

Refinery, a men's leather goods and accessory store, will be open along at 10 a.m. with the other stores in the Coconut Point mall in Estero, Florida, on the Gulf Coast. Owner Andrew Kryliouk says he'd rather not work on Thanksgiving, but like other retailers in the mall, he's required to open his store.

Many of Kryliouk's customers

are people known as snowbirds, who spend the cold weather months in Florida and head back north in the spring. Many shop on Thanksgiving because they don't have family nearby and so aren't having big holiday dinners.

"They might go to a restaurant, and then go to the mall to hang out," says Kryliouk, who had \$1,000 in sales last year, compared with \$4,000 for a typical November day.

At the Great Mall in Milpitas, California, Alder Riley expects to be busy on the holiday helping customers who need replacement parts for espresso makers, TV remotes and other household items — something always seems to break on Thanksgiving. Last year, when Riley's business was located in Vermont, his main store in Burlington had \$1,200 in revenue, four times the take on a typical day.

Riley's kiosk, Blu-Bin, uses machines known as 3-D printers to quickly make the parts out of plastic. He'll have three people working from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. that day, earning twice their usual pay as they run eight printers.

"We're anticipating quite a crunch," Riley says.

## List of stores open Thursday or Black Friday

NEW YORK (AP) — After the turkey and stuffing comes the kickoff of the holiday shopping season. And even though most retailers are offering the same deals online, many still plan to open their doors on Thanksgiving Day or in the early morning hours of Black Friday. So if you prefer to pick up those discounted TVs, toys and other goods in person, here's a list of what time stores are open on Thanksgiving and Black Friday:

- **Discount Stores**
- TARGET**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 6 p.m. and stays open all night into Black Friday.
- KMART**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 7 p.m. and stays open all night into Black Friday.
- WAL-MART**  
Thanksgiving: Deals start at 6 p.m.
- **Department Stores**
- JC PENNEY**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 3 p.m. and stays open all night into Black Friday.
- KOHL'S**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 6 p.m. and stays open all night into Black Friday.
- MACY'S**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 6 p.m. and stays open all night into Black Friday.
- SEARS**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 6 p.m. and closes 2 a.m. Friday  
Black Friday: Opens 5 a.m.
- **Electronic Stores**
- BEST BUY**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 5 p.m. and closes 1 a.m. Friday  
Black Friday: Opens 8 a.m.
- GAMESTOP**  
Thanksgiving: Closed  
Black Friday: Opens 5:00 a.m.
- HHGREGG**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 4 p.m. and closes 12 a.m. Friday  
Black Friday: Opens 7 a.m.
- RADIOSHACK**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Black Friday: Opens 8 a.m.
- **Toy Stores**
- TOYS R US**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 5 p.m. and stays open all night into Black Friday.
- **Warehouse Stores**
- COSTCO**  
Thanksgiving: Closed  
Black Friday: Opens 9 a.m.
- SAM'S CLUB**  
Thanksgiving: Closed  
Black Friday: Opens 7 a.m.
- **Sporting Goods Stores**
- DICK'S SPORTING GOODS**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 6 p.m. and closes 2 a.m. Friday  
Black Friday: Opens 5 a.m.
- SPORTS AUTHORITY**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 6 p.m. and closes 12 a.m. Friday  
Black Friday: Opens 6 a.m.
- **Craft Stores**
- JO-ANN FABRIC AND CRAFT STORES**  
Thanksgiving: Closed  
Black Friday: Opens 6 a.m.
- MICHAELS**  
Thanksgiving: Opens 4 p.m. and closes 2 a.m. Friday  
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## News in brief

### Putin sends air defense missiles to Syria to deter Turkey

President Vladimir Putin on Wednesday ordered state-of-the-art air defense missile systems to be deployed at a Russian air base in Syria following the downing of one of its warplanes by Turkey, a move that raised the threat of a military confrontation between the NATO member and Moscow.

The S-400 missile systems will be sent to the Hemeimeem air base in Syria's coastal province of Latakia, located about 50 kilometers (30 miles) south of the border with Turkey. The systems are capable of targeting Turkish jets with deadly precision. If Russia shot down a Turkish plane, NATO would be required to intervene.

Turkey shot down a Russian Su-24 bomber on Tuesday, saying it crossed into its airspace from Syria despite repeated warnings. One of its two pilots was killed by militants after bailing out, while his crewmate was rescued by Syrian army commandos and delivered in good condition to the Russian base early Wednesday.

Putin said the Russian plane remained in Syria's skies when it was shot down. He described Turkey's action as a "crime" and a "stab in the back," warning of serious consequences.

### Chicago awaits more protests over police shooting

CHICAGO (AP) — The white officer who shot a black Chicago teen 16 times has been charged with murder and jailed. The graphic video of the slaying has been made public. And in the hours after the footage was released, protesters seemed to honor pleas for restraint.

The question now is whether those efforts will be enough to address the simmering resentment that authorities took more than a year to share the footage and charge the officer who emptied an entire magazine into the teen even after he had crumpled to the ground.

City officials and community leaders had long braced for the release of the dash-cam video showing the death of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald. They feared the kind of turmoil that occurred in cities such as Baltimore and Ferguson, Missouri, after

young black men were slain by police or died in police custody.

A judge ordered that the recording be made public by Wednesday. Moments before it was released, the mayor and the police chief urged protesters to stay calm.

Mayor Rahm Emanuel said residents will "have to make an important judgment about our city and ourselves and go forward." He referred to the episode as a potential "moment of understanding and learning."

### Russia crackdown on Muslims fuels exodus to Islamic State

Security forces keep devout Muslims under surveillance in places like Komsomolskoye, raiding their homes and hauling them in to provide DNA samples and fingerprints. Many in Dagestan, however, see the heavy-handed security presence as not only fueling an exodus to Syria of Islamic State recruits, but also serving to rid this part of predominantly Muslim southern Russia of potential militants by encouraging them to flee.

The two decades of Russia's war on Islamic insurgency in the North Caucasus, mainly in Chechnya and Dagestan, have fostered a generation of cut-throat Islamist fighters and given rise to a culture of violence and police profiling that has pushed conservative religious groups to the margins of society and into the jaws of the IS.

However, few if any efforts are made to stem that flow. Almost everyone in Komsomolskoye knows someone who has left for Syria.

One of them was Rashid Magomedov.

A devout Muslim, he had been detained several times by security police, who his family claims planted grenades and ammunition at his home as a pretext to arrest him. Magomedov once spent two months in jail before the case was dismissed for lack of evidence. It was no surprise when he fled to Syria to join the Islamic State group, leaving behind his pregnant wife and two children.

### Afghan hospital said to be misidentified before being bombed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The crew of a U.S. warplane that attacked a medical charity's hospital in northern Afghanistan last month, killing and

wounding dozens of civilians, misidentified the target, believing it to be a government compound taken over by the Taliban, according to an investigation report obtained Wednesday.

The report said the crew of the U.S. AC-130 gunship relied on a physical description of the compound provided by Afghan forces, which led the crew to attack the wrong target. It said the intended target, thought to be under Taliban control and being used in part as a prison, was 450 yards away from the hospital.

Investigators found no evidence that the crew or the U.S. Special Forces commander on the ground who authorized the strike knew the targeted compound was a hospital at the time of the attack.

The plane fired 211 shells at the compound over a 25-minute period before commanders realized the mistake and ordered a halt, it says.

The report says the attack on Oct. 3 in the city of Kunduz killed at least 31 civilians and injured 28 others. Investigators determined that additional civilians likely were killed or injured.

### Brussels schools reopen, maximum threat alert still in place

BRUSSELS (AP) — After a four-day shutdown prompted by a threat alert across Brussels, schools are reopening their doors with the help of beefed up security, including police armed with machine guns.

Though the Belgian capital continues to be under the highest-level threat alert, meaning that an attack is serious and imminent, schools and subways began reopening across the city on Wednesday. That is restoring a sense of normality to the city, parts of which have been deserted since the alert was first raised to the top level in the capital on Saturday.

The threat level is expected to be in place until at least Monday unless there are significant developments, like the capturing of suspects linked to the Paris attacks on Nov. 13.

At Brussels' College Saint-Jean-Berchmans, some parents gave their children a quick kiss before dropping them off, while several police officers guarded the entrance, including one with a visible machine gun. Among the students at the school is Belgium's Princess Eleonore.

"I'm concerned, but I think that life must go on," said Dimitri De Cra Yencour, a father of four. "Even if something happens in Paris or in Brussels, they have to go back to school," he said, adding he had instructed his children be extra attentive and to tell their teachers if they saw anything unusual.

### Pope brings peace message to Africa amid security fears

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — Pope Francis wants to bring a message of peace and reconciliation to an Africa torn by extremist violence, but security concerns are so high that he might be forced to make changes to his itinerary for the final leg of the trip.

Francis left Wednesday for his first-ever visit to the continent, a whirlwind pilgrimage to Kenya, Uganda and the Central African Republic that marks the first time a pope has flown into an active armed conflict: the 2-year-old spiral of deadly violence between Christian and Muslims in the Central African Republic.

On the eve of the departure, the Vatican spokesman, the Rev. Federico Lombardi, insisted that there were no new worrisome threats and that the pope planned to carry on with his program, as scheduled. But in a sign that the Vatican was on alert, Francis' own chief bodyguard made a last-minute visit to Bangui this week to get the latest on-the-ground security updates, and will only meet up with the pope once he lands in Nairobi on Wednesday afternoon.

The bodyguard, Domenico Giani, said upon his departure that "some small modifications" could be made to the itinerary if risks emerged, especially for the civilian population or the U.N. peacekeeping operation.

Before he gets to conflict-racked Central African Republic, Francis is expected to press a host of issues close to his heart in Kenya and Uganda, including poverty.

### Cheap gas fueling expanded Thanksgiving travel day

LOS ANGELES (AP) — An expanded version of America's annual Thanksgiving travel saga has begun with gas prices low and terrorism fears high.

An estimated 46.9 million Americans are expected to take a car, plane, bus or train at least 50 miles from home over the long holiday weekend, according to the motoring organization AAA. That would be an increase of more than 300,000 people over last year, and the most travelers since 2007.

Among the reasons given for the increase: an improving economy and the cheapest gasoline for this time of year since 2008.

On Tuesday, some travelers were gearing up for an early exit.

Fanni Farago, 26, of Tempe, Arizona, sat in the Albuquerque airport with her sister Flora Farago, 30, while waiting for their parents to arrive from Dallas.



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## Do Nothing Cake

by: **Gloria McDonald**

Prep time: 10 mins - Cook time: 35 mins - Total time: 45 mins.

Serves: 15

### Ingredients

- Cake:
- 2 cups all purpose flour
- 8 2 cups granulated sugar
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten
- 1 tsp vanilla
- 1 tsp baking soda
- pinch of salt
- 1 large can (20 oz.) crushed pineapple with juice
- Frosting:
- 1 stick (1/2 cup) butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 can (5 1/2 ounce) evaporated milk
- 1 cup chopped walnuts or pecans
- 1 cup shredded coconut

### Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
2. In a large bowl, Whisk together all the batter ingredients until just combined.
3. Pour into a greased 13x9 baking dish, and bake for 30-40 minutes or until a wooden toothpick, inserted in the middle comes out clean. Don't overbake.
4. While cake is still baking, prepare the frosting.
5. Heat the butter, sugar, and evaporated milk in a small saucepan until boiling.
6. Cook and stir for about 5 minutes, or until slightly thickened.
7. Remove from heat and add in the coconut and pecans.
8. Remove the cake from oven, and using a kabob skewer or wooden spoon handle, or some similiary-sized object, begin poking holes in the cake.
9. You need holes so that hot frosting has plenty of room to get down and soak the cake.
10. Pour frosting over the hot cake, spreading it out to make sure it's all evenly dispersed.
11. Allow cake to cool for a bit before cutting.
12. Due to the frosting seeping into the cake, it is very moist!

*Enjoy!*



# Big Spring Steers spurned by San Angelo Central 74-42

By Taylor Ellis  
Sports Editor

The difficult preseason schedule for Big Spring only got tougher Tuesday night as San Angelo Central came to Steer Gym.

The undefeated Bobcats won 74-42 against their lower-class opponents in what was another tough task for a young 4A Steer squad. However, the young men's confidence has not wavered under first-year head coach Nicholas Tyerman.

"We know our goal is working towards district and these young men are embracing improvement everyday," Tyerman said.

Israel O'Guin led all Steers with 16 points. The next highest point total was Eric Ortega, who poured in six points.

Despite the double dig-

it loss, it must be noted that San Angelo Central plays in a higher classification, and to the coaches eyes, this team held their own.

"We played our best team defensive game of the season last night. We executed our plan for their 6'11" post player well and him in check early," Tyerman said.

While the Steers defended the post well, the Bobcats hurt them from the three-point line with 30 points from beyond the arc.

"We will continue to work on coming off screens to get better contests on opponents three-point shots," Tyerman said.

The team is continuing to digest the new dribble-drive offense coach Tyerman has been instituting since he arrived at Big Spring.

Despite posting their lowest point total of the season, the offense did look much improved against a very long, big, and athletic Bobcat squad.

"Offensively we played with a better tempo for the majority of the game, but we still have to do a better job working the ball around for a great shot instead of just a good shot. We saw improvements and that is a testimony to these young men and their work ethic," Terman said.

The schedule does not get easier right away, as the Steers travel to San Angelo for a rematch of the season opener against Lake View next Tuesday night.

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Guard Kameron Cooper drives the lane and puts up a floater in Steer Gym Tuesday night against San Angelo Central.

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# Bulldogettes edge Miles 62-58

By Taylor Ellis  
Sports Editor

COAHOMA—The Coahoma girls basketball team responded after their loss to the Lady Steers Monday night with a hard fought win at home against the Miles Lady Bulldogs 62-58.

Julia Castilaw led the offensive surge with a team-high 18 points on 63 percent shooting from the field, followed by McClayne Holgerson who poured in 15 points.

Holgerson also tallied a team-high five assists, seven rebounds, and four steals to cap off

an impressive performance.

The game was tight until the third quarter when Coahoma's defense tightened up and held Miles to just four points. They entered the fourth quarter up by 11. However, Miles did not give up and made a run of their own. They out-scored Coahoma by seven, but Coahoma held on in the end.

Offensively, Coahoma looked dominant with a 69 field goal percentage and 40 percent from beyond the arc. The one area Coahoma struggled, which most high

school teams do, was at the charity stripe. The Bulldogettes managed to make only 12-of-25 free throw attempts, a number head coach Jay Parker certainly would like to see trend upward as the games become more meaningful.

Coahoma will have a week off for Thanksgiving break before they turn their sights on Grady, where they will look to extend their winning streak next Tuesday.

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# Coahoma Bulldogs suffer home loss of 68-45 at hands of Miles

By Taylor Ellis  
Sports Editor

COAHOMA—The Coahoma boy's basketball team could not complete the sweep of Miles Tuesday night, dropping the game 68-45.

The game was played as tightly contested as possible for the first half. Coahoma led by four going into the locker room, but Miles' halftime adjustments proved to be the deciding factor.

Miles out-scored Coahoma 15-4 in the third quarter, and 24-9 to put

the game out of reach in the final frame.

"We played well in the first half," Coahoma head coach Kim Nichols said. "We let the press effect us a little in the second half."

Mason Moore and Kyler Franks each poured in a team-high 12 points on the evening. Both have shown early on this season they are reliable scoring threats for the Bulldogs.

Cade Ramsey also had ten points. Jon Bermea had a team-high nine rebounds, though coach

Nichols hopes the rest of the team could have contributed in that department.

"We had too many one-shot possessions for my liking. We played hard though."

The Bulldogs will have time to rest and rejuvenate during the Thanksgiving break, as they do not play again until next Tuesday night against Grady at home.

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## Scoreboard

**NBA**  
**Monday's Games**  
Cleveland 117, Orlando 103  
Charlotte 127, Sacramento 95, OT  
Miami 125, New York 78  
Minnesota 100, Philadelphia 95  
Milwaukee 109, Detroit 88  
San Antonio 98, Phoenix 84  
Oklahoma City 111, Utah 89  
**Tuesday's Games**  
Indiana 123, Washington 106  
Memphis 110, Dallas 96  
Atlanta 121, Boston 97  
L.A. Clippers 111, Denver 94  
Chicago 93, Portland 88  
Golden State 111, L.A. Lakers 77  
**Wednesday's Games**  
New York at Orlando, 7 p.m.  
Washington at Charlotte, 7 p.m.  
Cleveland at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.  
Miami at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.  
Philadelphia at Boston, 7:30 p.m.  
Atlanta at Minnesota, 8 p.m.  
Sacramento at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.  
Memphis at Houston, 8 p.m.  
Brooklyn at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m.  
Dallas at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.  
New Orleans at Phoenix, 9 p.m.  
Utah at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.  
**NHL**  
**Monday's Games**  
Boston 4, Toronto 3, SO  
St. Louis 2, Buffalo 1  
N.Y. Rangers 3, Nashville 0

Philadelphia 3, Carolina 2, OT  
Washington 1, Edmonton 0  
Los Angeles 3, Florida 1  
Colorado 4, Winnipeg 1  
**Tuesday's Games**  
Ottawa 7, Dallas 4  
Anaheim 5, Calgary 3  
**Wednesday's Games**  
Nashville at Buffalo, 7 p.m.  
Columbus at New Jersey, 7 p.m.  
Montreal at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.  
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.  
Winnipeg at Washington, 7 p.m.  
Edmonton at Carolina, 7 p.m.  
Vancouver at Minnesota, 7 p.m.  
Philadelphia at N.Y. Islanders, 7:30 p.m.  
Boston at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.  
Los Angeles at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.  
Anaheim at Arizona, 9 p.m.  
Ottawa at Colorado, 9:30 p.m.  
Chicago at San Jose, 10 p.m.  
**Thursday's Games**  
No games scheduled  
**TRANSACTIONS**  
**BASEBALL**  
**American League**  
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Traded RHP Yency Almonte to Colorado for RHP Tommy Kahnle.  
LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Agreed to terms with C Geovany Soto on a one-year contract. Promoted Bud Black to special assistant to the general manager, Mike Gallego to director of baseball development, Justin Hollander to director of player personnel, Mike LaCassa to director of minor league operations, Steve Martone to assistant general manager, Bobby Scales to special assistant to the general manager and Jonathan Strangio to assistant general manager.  
**SEATTLE MARINERS** — Designated C John Hicks for assignment. Agreed to terms with C Chris Lannetta on a one-year contract.  
**National League**  
ATLANTA BRAVES — Agreed to terms with RHPs David Carpenter, Chris Volstad and Madison Younginer; Cs Williams Astudillo, Matt Kennelly, Ryan Lavanway and Braeden Schlehauer; INFs Reid Brignac and Chase d'Arnaud and OF Matt Tuissosopo on minor league contracts.  
NEW YORK METS — Agreed to terms with RHP Stolmy Pimental on a minor league contract.  
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Named Bobby Henley third base coach.  
**American Association**  
KANSAS CITY T-BONES — Signed OF Christian Torres.  
ST. PAUL SAINTS — Signed C Vinny DiFazio.  
**Frontier League**  
EVANSVILLE OTTERS — Signed OF Thomas De Wolf.  
GATEWAY GRIZZLIES — Signed INF Vincent Guglietti.  
RIVER CITY RASCALS — Signed C Mike Jurgella and SS Josh Silver to contract extensions.  
**BASKETBALL**  
**National Basketball Association**  
OKLAHOMA CITY THUNDER — Assigned F Josh Huestis to Oklahoma City (NBADL).  
**FOOTBALL**  
National Football League  
NFL — Suspended Carolina

DE Frank Alexander one year for violating the Policy and Program for Substances of Abuse for a third time.  
ATLANTA FALCONS — Signed TE D.J. Tialavea to the practice squad. Waived TE Marcel Jensen.  
BALTIMORE RAVENS — Waived WR Joseph Morgan. Signed WR Chuck Jacobs from the practice squad and WR Chris Matthews to the practice squad. Claimed QB Jimmy Clausen off waivers from Chicago. Placed QB Joe Flacco on injured reserve.  
BUFFALO BILLS — Signed DL Jerel Worthy to the practice squad. Released LB Kevin Reddick from the practice squad.  
CAROLINA PANTHERS — Released G Reese Dismukes from the practice squad. Signed DB Ras-I Dowling to the practice squad.  
CHICAGO BEARS — Signed LB Danny Mason and QB Justin Worley to the practice squad.  
HOUSTON TEXANS — Signed C Dalton Freeman and LB Gerald Rivers to the practice squad. Released QB Zac Dysert from the practice squad.  
MIAMI DOLPHINS — Claimed LB Linton Coples off waivers from the N.Y. Jets. Waived CB Zack Bowman.  
NEW ORLEANS SAINTS — Waived LB Jo-Lonn Dunbar. Signed DE Phillip Hunt.  
NEW YORK JETS — Signed LB Josh Martin from Indianapolis' practice squad.  
OAKLAND RAIDERS — Waived LB Ray-Ray Armstrong.  
PHILADELPHIA EAGLES — Signed WR Jonathan Krause from the practice squad. Released LB Emmanuel Acho.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Waived DT A.J. Francis. Re-signed RB Bryce Brown. Placed LB Nick Moody on injured reserve. Signed WR B.J. Daniels from the practice squad. Placed OT Terry Poole on practice squad/injured reserve. Signed RB DuJuan Harris and WR Tyler Slavin to the practice squad.  
TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS — Waived DE Lawrence Sidbury. Claimed DE Kourtnei Brown off waivers from Houston.  
**Arena Football League**  
ORLANDO PREDATORS — Agreed to terms with WR LaVon Brazil.  
**HOCKEY**  
**National Hockey League**  
NHL — Announced the resignation of chief operating officer John Collins.  
ANAHEIM DUCKS — Recalled G John Gibson and C Chris Mueller from San Diego (AHL). Assigned C Michael Sgarbossa and D Shane O'Brien to San Diego.  
ARIZONA COYOTES — Recalled F Dustin Jeffrey from Springfield (AHL). Assigned G Louis Domingue and D Philip Samuelsson to Springfield.  
SAN JOSE SHARKS — Signed F Dainius Zubrus to a one-year contract. Reassigned F Nikolay Goldobin to the Barracuda (AHL).  
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Recalled D Luke Witkowski from Syracuse (AHL).  
**AHL**  
American Hockey League  
AHL — Suspended Bakersfield LW Braden Christoffer one game.  
HARTFORD WOLF PACK — Sent F Jack Combs to Greenville (ECHL).  
SAN DIEGO GULLS — Recalled G Ryan Faragher

from Utah (ECHL). Signed D Shayne Taker, LWs Ryan Walters and Kyle Bonis to PTO contracts.  
**ECHL**  
ECHL — Suspended Manchester F Danick Mantche five games and Wichita D Theo Peckham two games.  
**MANCHESTER MONARCHS** — Loaned F Derek South to Ontario (AHL).  
**SOUTH CAROLINA STING-RAYS** — Signed F Paul Rodrigues.  
**LACROSSE**  
National Lacrosse League  
NLL — Announced the resignation of commissioner George Daniel, effective when a new commissioner is named.  
**SOCCER**  
Major League Soccer  
CHICAGO FIRE — Named Veljko Paunovic coach.  
National Women's Soccer League  
CHICAGO RED STARS — Signed D Casey Short.  
North American Soccer League  
JACKSONVILLE ARMADA — Named Tony Meola coach and technical director.  
**COLLEGE**  
BUFFALO — Promoted deputy director of athletics Allen Greene to director of athletics.  
MAINE — Announced the resignation of football coach Jack Cosgrove to become a senior associate director of athletics. Named Joe Harsanyiak interim football coach.  
RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE — Named Monica Mesalles Nassi women's assistant gymnastics coach.  
SALVE REGINA — Named Jody Mooradian director of athletics.



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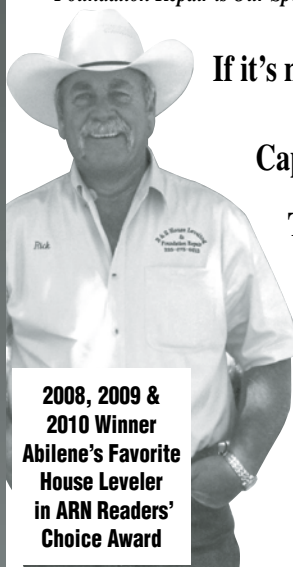
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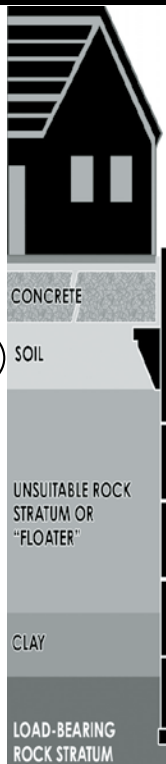
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Tomorrow's Horoscope



Gemini Full Moon

The full moon in Gemini goes well with family visits.

Everyone is in a chatty, festive mood and preparations for Thanksgiving could be even more fun than the main event. There's a smoothness and ease that goes along with this air sign lunar influence that's a natural fit for turning out some delicious dishes.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). The moon warms your emotions and inspires you to reveal a little more about yourself than you normally would feel moved to do. Now the question is, how much should you share?

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). There are some gyms that claim to be a "no-judgment zone," thus catering to the self-conscious. You've a "no-judg-

ment zone" around yourself right now. You don't feel the need to assess or be assessed by anyone.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). If you get it right on the first try, that will make you happy. You'll have something to go on. If you get it wrong at first, don't despair. You will become smarter learning from what you do wrong.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Trust that the less you do, the more desirable you will be. This is a day to believe in your own magnetism. Lie back and make fewer efforts. Doing more will only make you less attractive.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Too many choices can be a bad thing for those who don't know themselves well enough to choose what's right for them. You do know yourself well, so it's no problem. Do what pleases you -- others will be thrilled with your choice.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Understanding and com-

passion will go a long way. Someone will afford you the kind of graciousness that will inspire you to pay it forward. You'll have the opportunity very soon.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You don't have an ideal view for figuring out the problem yet. Astute observation usually requires a different stance from the usual one. Either you need to take a step back or you need to rise above.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It may feel as though you are only loved when you meet a particular standard of achievement. This isn't true except for in certain (toxic) relationships.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Dreams of faraway places and exciting new scenarios fill your consciousness. Right now it's about the dream. Later you'll make it real. Your gypsy soul will soon go wandering again.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You are in a brave

mood today and might be willing to share the very thing you avoided talking about just last week. Unburdening yourself will feel terrific.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Things don't have to be dramatic to be meaningful to you. In a small and very personal way, this will be a day of reckoning. Your lucky associations will involve fellow air signs (Gemini and Libra).

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). There are so many things you could be doing, but none of them will appeal to you as much as relaxing with your favorite person. Truly, anything you do with your favorite will feel like living the good life.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Nov. 25). You're learning how to be true to yourself -- to find out what you really need and want instead of being quick to settle into the roles that others cast for you. December and January bring financial opportunities. Taurus and

Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 22, 49, 15, 38 and 2.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS:** "I got in trouble at work and photos I put up on a social network. There is talk that I might be fired. I'm a Libra. Honestly, I don't know what I was thinking -- I just wasn't aware that my co-workers would be interested enough in my personal life to look me up. In a weird way I'm flattered, although right now I'm facing the big problem of possibly being fired for my actions. Any advice? The boss who makes the decisions about my job is a Capricorn."

Once it's made up, changing a Capricorn's mind is almost impossible. Run damage control (SET ITAL) before (END ITAL) your Capricorn boss has decided what to do. Delete the posts you can. In its place, construct your virtual image in a more conservative, traditional and professional manner. In

the future, consider that your free-thinking Libran ways, however fun-loving they may be, are possibly not suitable for every environment. In the future, tap into your natural sense of diplomacy instead of shooting from the hip.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** As well as being an award-winning actress and an accomplished comedienne, Christina Applegate is also a breast cancer survivor. Applegate has the remarkable courage and incredible energy of five luminaries in Sagittarius, and the kindhearted empathy of a Pisces moon and Mars. She inspires many other women to find the strength to battle for their health.

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Annie's Mailbox

**Dear Annie:** A couple of months ago, I met a guy at a concert and he added me as his friend on Facebook. Except for that one encounter, I don't really know him.

Tonight, I was strolling through Facebook and noticed a very disturbing post he had made. It bothered me so much that I went to his page and saw that the previous two hours had been a stream of disturbing comments alluding to hurting others. Nobody had commented or liked any of his posts, so I went back further on his page.

It seems this guy doesn't have any friends. His page looked like a one-way cry for help. I feel bad for him, but I'm scared to say anything. Is there a way I could get help for him anonymously? I worry that he may hurt himself or others. -- Not a Friend

**Dear Not:** We suggest you visit this guy's Facebook page and click the link that says "Report." It will then be checked out by Facebook personnel who can determine how to handle it, and your name will not be mentioned.

Though a great many folks post things on Facebook to give the impression that their lives are more interesting than they really are, this guy may be us-

ing Facebook simply to vent. Nonetheless, we don't recommend that you become more involved in what he posts by responding.

**Dear Annie:** My 20-year-old daughter recently became engaged to her 24-year-old boyfriend. My husband and I are delighted. We like her fiance very much.

As soon as they set a date, we talked to the groom's parents about the type of wedding they had in mind. Surprisingly, they told us that, as parents of the bride, we are responsible for all of the expenses, including the minister's fee. They said that was the rule according to the etiquette books. True to their word, they haven't offered a penny, even though they can afford it.

After "the talk," we scaled back considerably. We have kept the groom's parents informed of our plans, so they don't feel left out. The groom is embarrassed by his parents' decision not to contribute, but apparently, he either won't say anything or it hasn't made any difference.

As the deposit checks go out, my disappointment is increasing. I am trying hard to convince myself that the wedding is a gift to my daughter, and I'm hoping

the groom's parents will give to their son in some other way to make up for this. -- Mother of the Bride in Phoenix

**Dear Mother:** While we agree that the groom's family seems ungenerous, etiquette says that the groom (not necessarily his parents) is responsible for his share of the wedding costs, although what that entails can vary. But it includes the officiant's fee, the rehearsal dinner and the honeymoon, among other things.

These days, most couples pay for their own wedding or split the costs between the bride's family and the groom's, and we think this is a much more reasonable arrangement. After all, most brides and

grooms hold jobs and live independently of their parents. The good news for you is, if you are covering all of the expenses, you get to make all of the decisions. A lot of brides and their parents would be happy with that arrangement.

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By Steve Becker  
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East dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.  
NORTH  
♠ A K 10 4  
♥ A 10 9 5 3  
♦ 4  
♣ Q 9 4

WEST EAST  
♠ 7 6 5 3 ♠ —  
♥ Q 8 2 ♥ 6  
♦ A K 10 5 2 ♦ J 9 8 7 6 3  
♣ 8 ♣ 10 7 6 5 3 2

SOUTH  
♠ Q J 9 8 2  
♥ K J 7 4  
♦ Q  
♣ A K J

The bidding:  
East South West North  
Pass 1♣ Pass 2♥  
2NT 3♣ 5♦ 5♠  
6♦ 6♥ Pass 6♠

Opening lead — king of diamonds.  
This deal resulted in a huge swing in a team-of-four match. At the first table, South got to six spades on the bidding shown. East's impudent two-notrump bid was the "unusual notrump," showing length in the minor suits.

West leaped to five diamonds in response but gave up the ghost after North bid six spades. This was poor strategy on West's part, since a vul-

nerable small slam was imminent, and seven diamonds doubled could not cost much.

West led a diamond and shifted to a club. Declarer won, drew four rounds of trumps, cashed the king of hearts and led a heart to the ten to score 1,430 points.

The heart finesse was certainly logical. Declarer reasoned that East, who had shown up with no high-card strength at all, probably had 6-6-1 distribution for his two-notrump bid.

The bidding was spirited at the second table also, but here East became declarer at six diamonds doubled. South led the king of clubs and then made the fatal error of shifting to the queen of spades instead of a heart. East ruffed, trumped a club, cashed the ace of diamonds and ruffed a second spade.

When he next trumped another club in dummy and the suit divided 3-3, his 10-7-6 all became tricks. So, after trumping another spade, he cashed three clubs, discarding all three hearts from dummy to make six diamonds doubled for a score of 1,090 points.

His team thus gained 2,520 points on one deal, having made a slam in both directions to achieve one of the rarer feats in bridge.

Tomorrow: Don't get lackadaisical.

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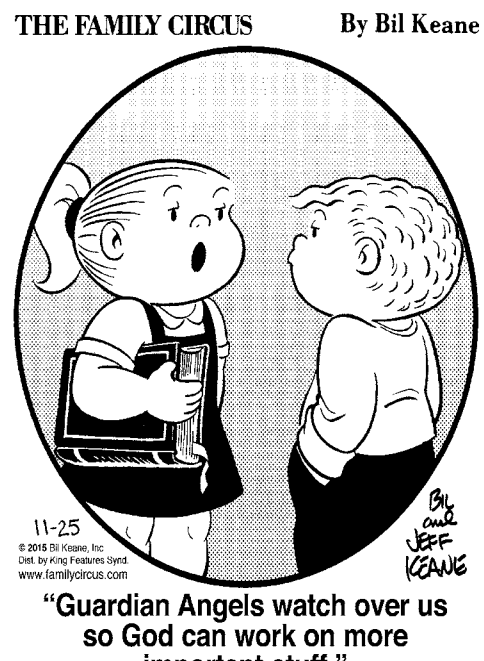


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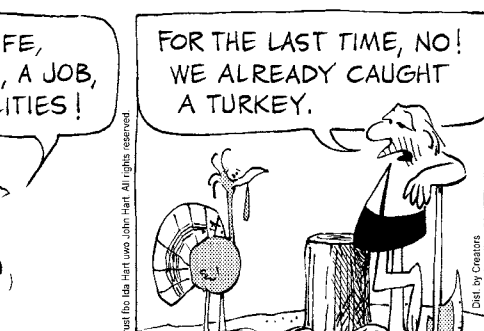
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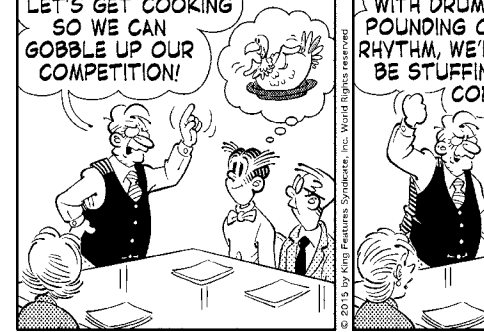
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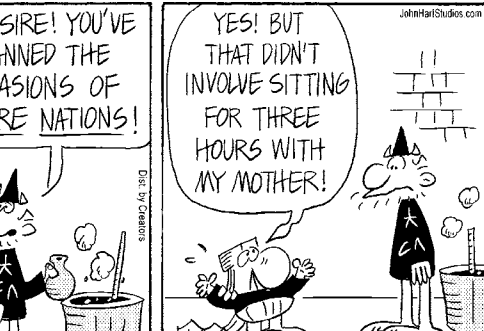
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**This Date In History**

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 25, the 329th day of 2015. There are 36 days left in the year.

**Today’s Highlight in History:**

On Nov. 25, 1915, a new version of the Ku Klux Klan, targeting blacks, Jews, Catholics and immigrants, was founded by William Joseph Simmons, who proclaimed himself the Imperial Wizard of the group as he staged a cross-burning on Stone Mountain outside Atlanta.

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In 1864, during the Civil War, Confederate agents set a series of arson fires in New York; the blazes were quickly extinguished.

In 1908, the first issue of The Christian Science Monitor was published.

In 1920, radio station WTAW of College Station, Texas, broadcast the first play-by-play description of a football game, between Texas University and the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas. (Texas won, 7-3.)

In 1940, the cartoon character Woody Woodpecker made his debut in the animated short “Knock Knock” produced by Walter Lantz.

In 1947, movie studio executives meeting in New York agreed to blacklist the “Hollywood Ten” who’d been cited for contempt of Congress the day before.

In 1957, President Dwight D. Eisenhower suffered a slight stroke.

In 1963, the body of President John F. Kennedy was laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery; his widow, Jacqueline, lit an “eternal flame” at the gravesite.

In 1974, former U.N. Secretary-General U Thant (oo thahnt) died in New York at age 65.

In 1986, the Iran-Contra affair erupted as President Ronald Reagan and Attorney General Edwin Meese revealed that profits from secret arms sales to Iran had been diverted to Nicaraguan rebels.

In 1999, 5-year-old Elian Gonzalez was rescued by a pair of sport fishermen off the coast of Florida, setting off an international custody battle.

In 2002, President George W. Bush signed legislation creating the Department of Homeland Security, and appointed Tom Ridge to be its head.

Ten years ago: Palestinians took control of a border for the first time with the festive opening of the Rafah crossing between Gaza and Egypt, a milestone on their rocky path to independence.

Susanne Osthoff, a German aid worker and archaeologist, was kidnapped in Iraq; she was released more than three weeks later.

Nine inmates escaped from the Yakima County Jail in Washington state; all were recaptured, although one was at large for three weeks.

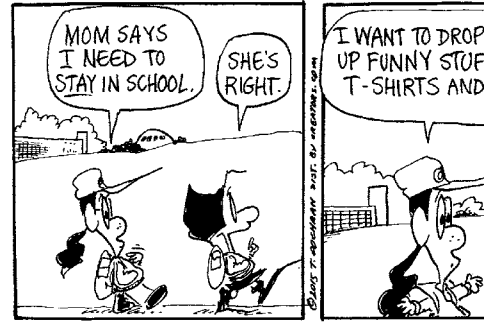
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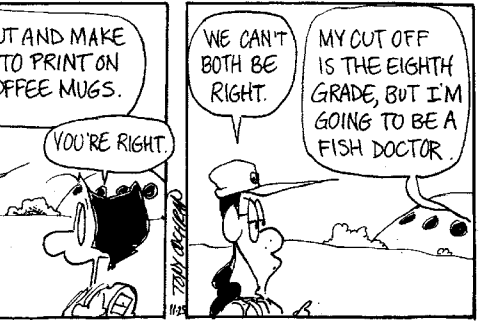
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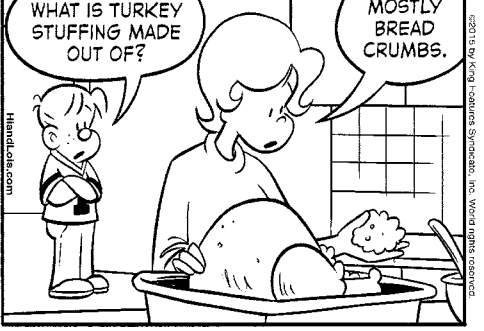
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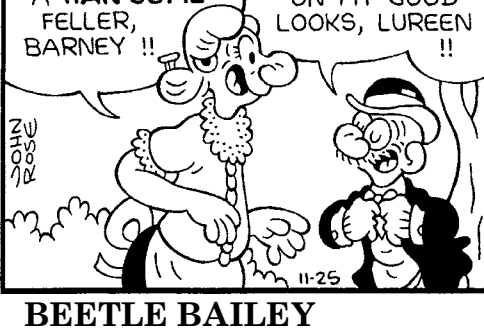
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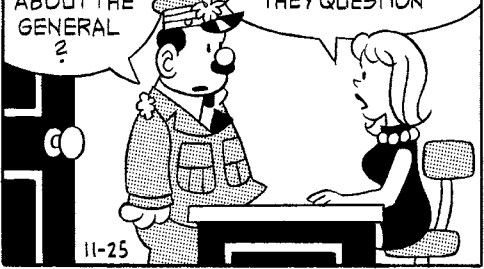
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  - 14 Orchestral horn
  - 15 Charismatic glow
  - 16 Escape from
  - 17 Dumbbell metal
  - 18 Thick slice
  - 19 Annie Hall director
  - 20 Hook-and-ladder locale
  - 23 Mrs. Sprat’s diet
  - 24 In fine \_\_\_ (fit)
  - 25 Sign up for
  - 27 Genesis vessel
  - 29 Battlefield ditch
  - 33 Top-quality
  - 36 Roof edge
  - 39 Top Olympic prize
  - 40 Where to attach a jumper cable
  - 43 Gumbo veggie
  - 44 “Understood”
  - 45 No longer new
  - 46 Bellyached
  - 48 Gentle touch
  - 50 What the 27 Across was built for
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  - 58 HOV lane vehicle
  - 61 Alternative to Staples
  - 63 In first place
  - 65 The Bard’s river
  - 66 Farm measure
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  - 3 Cancel, as a launch
  - 4 Monet contemporary
  - 5 Wheel on a sofa
  - 6 Luau dance
  - 7 Hopping mad
  - 8 Log building
  - 9 More cruel
  - 10 The whole shebang
  - 11 Water south of Galveston
  - 12 Creative inspiration
  - 13 Four percent of a quarter
  - 21 List of candidates
  - 22 Playful mammal
  - 26 Philbin of TV
  - 28 Florida islands
  - 30 Second to \_\_\_ (top-quality)
  - 31 Dressed (in)
  - 32 “Good” cholesterol: Abbr.
  - 33 Recipe instruction
  - 34 Raison d’ \_\_\_
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  - 37 Wolfed down
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  - 47 Fled to wed
  - 49 Soccer venues
  - 51 Old enough
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  - 55 Disney’s \_\_\_ Center
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# Pageau scores twice, Senators hold off Stars 7-4

DALLAS (AP) — Craig Anderson didn't need a third straight shutout, though he did need some big third-period saves.

Anderson made 33 saves to help the Ottawa Senators end the Dallas Stars' five-game winning streak with a 7-4 victory on Tuesday night.

He has stopped 94 of 98 shots in the last three games.

"We had good goaltending," Ottawa coach Dave Cameron said. "Just a little disappointed when we were up 5-1 that we let off a little bit and gave them some opportunities. Two-goal game, we were leading, Andy made two huge saves. And then at the end, he made a huge

save." Ottawa was outshot 37-20 but scored three unassisted goals after takeaways, one on the power play and another short-handed.

Jean-Gabriel Pageau scored on two breakaways, including his league-leading third short-handed.

The Senators' Mike Hoffman also had two goals, one into an empty net, on his 26th birthday. He sent the puck off the boards in the Ottawa end, banking it into the net.

"That empty-netter was pretty lucky, but I'll take it," Hoffman said.

Anderson was relieved that a Dallas flurry ended that way after one of his biggest saves.

"It's the difference between 6-5 and 7-4. I saw their guy coming down, kind of open net. Just got fortunate enough that he buried it right in my chest."

Ottawa's Mark Stone had a goal and two assists. Bobby Ryan and Milan Michalek also had goals.

Anderson had his scoreless streak snapped at 147 minutes, 4 seconds when Patrick Sharp scored in the second period.

NHL leader Jamie Benn scored his 15th and 16th goals for Dallas. Benn assisted on Tyler Seguin's goal.

The Senators are 4-0-2 in their last six games. Dallas' loss ended the Stars' five-game win-

ning streak.

Ottawa didn't have a shot on goal for the first 7:10, but its attempt went in for a 1-0 lead. Ryan took the puck away from Dallas' John Klingberg in the left faceoff circle, skated in front of Niemi and tucked the puck into the right corner.

Michalek scored at 18:49 of the first period for a 2-0 lead. Stone won a battle along the left-wing boards, and the puck went to Pageau. He passed to Michalek in the center of the left circle, and Michalek sent a wrist shot past Niemi into the upper right corner.

In the second, Stone intercepted a pass from the Stars' Patrick Eaves at the blue line, stepped

to the top of the slot and scored on a wrist shot for a 3-1 lead at 12:33.

Lehtonen then replaced Niemi, who had allowed three goals in nine shots. The first shot Lehtonen faced was Hoffman's goal from the top of the left circle on the power play.

Niemi re-entered the game at 1:05 of the third period, after Lehtonen collided with Klingberg. Pageau scored his short-handed breakaway goal on a shot that trickled between the Niemi's legs.

NOTES: Ryan has at least one point in nine straight games (4 goals, 7 assists, 11 points). ... Cameron said Anderson would start again on Wednesday at Colo-

rado. ... Ruff said Lehtonen would be evaluated on Wednesday. ... Dallas D Jason Demers (lower-body injury) was scratched from the lineup, but D Jordie Benn returned after missing Saturday's game because of illness. Ruff said he expected Demers to play on Friday against Vancouver. ... Klingberg took the NHL lead with his 20th assist on Sharp's goal. He and Ottawa's Erik Karlsson, who assisted on Hoffman's goal, are 1-2 in scoring among the league's defensemen. ... Dallas had won the previous seven games against the Senators dating back to 2008.

# Balanced Grizzlies send Mavs to second straight loss

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — The Memphis Grizzlies are undefeated in the six games Jeff Green has scored at least 10 points. On Tuesday night, Green had a lot of company in the double-digit category.

Mike Conley scored 21 points, Green added 19 and seven Memphis players finished in double figures in a 110-96 victory over the Dallas Mavericks.

"We have so many weapons. We have to utilize them any way we can," Green said. "Sharing the ball and getting everybody involved is how you get it done."

Marc Gasol had 15 points and 10 rebounds for Memphis, which won its fifth in the last six games. Matt Barnes and Mario Chalmers added 14 points apiece, and JaMychal Green contributed 13.

"The balance is there right now," Conley said. "The ball's moving. It's touching a lot of guys' hands. Guys are making the easy play, not the highlight reel play."

Raymond Felton and J.J. Barea each scored 16 points and tried to pull the Mavericks back into the game in the fourth quarter. Dirk Nowitzki finished with 14 points and Zaza Pachulia had 13, both also grabbing 10 rebounds.

Wesley Matthews had 11 points and Deron Williams finished with 10 as Dallas lost its second straight.

Memphis capitalized on 19 Dallas turnovers and limited the Mavericks to 39 percent shooting. Nowitzki was just 5

of 15. "We did a poor job of ball protection in the first half," Mavericks coach Rick Carlisle said. "Twelve turnovers for a bunch of points. We did better in the second half, but we dug ourselves too big of a hole."

The Mavericks trailed by 25 after JaMychal Green connected on a 3-pointer to open the fourth quarter. But Barea worked to keep Dallas in the game, scoring six straight points.

That kick-started a 19-4 rally by the Mavericks, pulling Dallas within 10 points on a couple of occasions just past the midway point of the fourth. Felton, meanwhile, was en route to 14 points in the fourth, connecting on all four of his 3-pointers.

That still wasn't enough to cut the lead under 10.

Memphis has played much better in recent weeks after a 3-6 start.

"We knew it would take some time," Jeff Green said. "We've got a lot of new pieces from the offseason and from the trade (for Chalmers). We knew it would take some time

to gel."

TIP-INS: Mavericks: Dallas entered the game averaging 13.4 turnovers a game. It had eight in the first quarter en route to 12 by halftime. ... The Mavericks' 36 points in the first half were a season low. ... Nowitzki, who leads the league in 3-point percentage at 53.3 percent, was 2 of 5 from outside the arc.

Grizzlies: Memphis F Zach Randolph missed his third straight game with a sore right knee. Barnes started his first game of the season in

the first quarter, moving him past Steve Nash for 31st on the league's games played list with 1,218. ... Chalmers, who entered the game tied for third in the

league shooting free throws at 93.8 percent, was 6 of 10 from the line.

TURNING POINT

Memphis already had a double-digit lead at halftime, but the Grizzlies opened the second half with a 10-2 run for a 56-38 lead. Memphis eventually would take the advantage to 82-60 by the end of the fourth. Dallas never got the deficit under 10 after halftime.

HACKING TA: When the Memphis lead dwindled to 11 with under 5 minutes left, the Mavericks started fouling

Tony Allen, a 50 percent free throw shooter. Allen made six of the eight free throws during the strategy, helping Memphis maintain its double-digit lead. "I needed them to do it so I could get my percentage up," Allen said, adding: "They can keep doing it. That 50 percent I was shooting is pretty deceiving. It was funny."

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