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CHS announces HoCo Court



CHS Yearbook photo/Diana Gonzalez, student photographer

The 2017 Coahoma High School Homecoming Court pictured from left is, KayLee Wright, MaKayla Overton, Chloe Starr, Preslie Smithie, and Raegan Deel. Homecoming festivities began Monday and will wrap up Friday night during the Coahoma Bulldogs versus the TLCA Eagles football game in Bulldog Stadium.

Special to the Herald
COAHOMA
 Coahoma High School has announced its 2017 Homecoming Court. KayLee Wright, MaKayla Overton, Chloe Starr, Preslie Smithie, and Raegan Deel make up the Homecoming Court. The five seniors were selected through a voting process held Friday, Sept. 22. Wright is the daughter of Tabatha

and Brandon Wright. In school, she is active in congressional debate, UIL poetry, and serves as treasurer of the student council. She is a member of the National Honor Society and International Thespian Society. While not in school, Wright is active in her church choir. She loves babysitting and volunteering for school. Overton is the daughter of John and Amy Overton. She

is heavily involved with sports. She is a member of the softball, volleyball, basketball, and track teams. She was named Athlete of the Year. Overton also participates in FFA and is the president of the senior class. The daughter of Billy Starr and Jackie DeLeon, Starr is an all-around athlete. She is active in volleyball, basketball, softball, and track. Her after school activities include team

practices, supporting her team, and hanging out with friends. Smithie is the daughter of Shannon and Angela Smithie. She is a member of the National Honor Society, Student Council, and One Act Play. When she is not at school, Smithie plays guitar, writes music, and sings. She is also excited for the school trip to New York City. See CHS, Page 3

Brint Ryan, BSHS Class of '82 to bring Starship to reunion

By AMBER MANSFIELD
 Staff Writer

The Hotel Settles will be rockin' and rollin' come this Friday Oct. 6, as Brint Ryan, owner of the Hotel Settles, and the Big Spring High School Class of 1982 host the musical acts Starship and Jaclyn Monroe for their 35th year class reunion concert.

"This is going to be a fabulous 2017 Big Spring homecoming weekend," said Andrea Barr, general manager at the Hotel Settles. "Brint Ryan will be attending, and we are expecting a huge crowd."

The Starship concert is in honor of the Big Spring High School Class of 1982 but is open to anyone who would like to purchase tickets as well. The concert will be Friday, Oct. 6, at 8:30 p.m. on the East Lawn of the Hotel Settles. All the proceeds go to the Class of 1982 Scholarship Fund. To get your tickets go to www.bshs-1982@ticketleap.com

One of the two musical acts that will be performing is Starship. Throughout the 80s and 90s, Starship released several hits that included: "No Way Out," "We Built this City," and have received an Oscar nomination for the hit "Nothing Gonna Stop Us Now." Along with the Starship, there will also be special guest singer, Jaclyn Moore. Moore plays a variety of genres of music that range from the blues to rock to a little bit of pop. Some of Moore's inspiration come from singers/songwriter such as Etta James, Aretha Franklin, Janis Joplin, and Bonnie Rait.

"There will be lots of festivities going on at the concert, and we will have the bar open to any of the concert guests," said Barr. "Don't miss this opportunity."

The hotel's bar offers not just a wide variety of drinks, but also of eats and snacks including: fire roasted salsa, blue crab cakes, steak nachos, the Settles Burger, chicken wings, and lots more. That way you can grab a bite to eat before partying like its 1982.

For more information regarding The Starship Concert, go online to <http://hotelsettles.com/hotel/calendar/> or go to <https://bshs-1982.ticketleap.com/reunion/>.

BSHS' homecoming court



Courtesy photo

Homecoming King and Queen finalists- (Front row) Kloe Gang, Ashley Gonzalez, Jori Hanlan, Courtney Myers, and Carlie Roberts. (Back row) Damien Cisneros, Nolan Dominguez, Adam Gonzales, John Ibanez, and Aaron Martinez.

Golf carts stolen from fair



Courtesy photos

VIP Sports Getaway is offering a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the recovery of two gas-powered golf carts taken from the Howard County Fairgrounds between 2 p.m. Sunday and 6 a.m. Monday. Please contact Big Spring Police Department with any information.

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **MARIA ESTELLA FLORES**, 39, of 1401 Mesquite St. was arrested on warrants for theft of property (less than \$100)/shoplifting, and failure to appear.
- **GARY LYNN EAGLE**, 22, of 819 W. Sixth St. was arrested on a warrant for possession of drug paraphernalia; and on another

outstanding warrant.

- **MICHAEL WAYNE COGBURN**, 39, of 605 Dealey Rd. was arrested on a warrant for possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram); and on other outstanding warrants.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 2900 block of Old Highway 80 and the 500 block of East Third Street.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported

in the 1700 block of Harvard Avenue.

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 300 block of Veterans Boulevard.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 1200 block of Wood Street.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 500 block of Westover Road.

Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 59 inmates at the time of this report.

- **MICHAEL WAYNE**

COGBURN, 39, was booked by BSPD on warrants for possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram), violation of promise to appear, and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- **GARY LYNN EAGLE**, 22, of 819 W. Sixth St. was arrested

on warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia and open container in a motor vehicle.

- **MARIA ESTELLA FLORES**, 39, of 1401 Mesquite St. was arrested on warrants for theft of property (less than \$100) and failure to appear.

Take Note

• Howard County Crop Tour will be Oct. 10, 2017. Registration starts at 9 a.m. at the G.C. Broughton Jr. Ag Complex. At 9:30 a.m. the tour will feature Brooks Farm, Variety Trials, a Fertilizer Test, and the Harvest Aid Trial. At 11:30 a.m. is the IPM Update by Dr. Charles Allen. Lunch is at 12:30 p.m. Sponsors include the Big Spring Gin, Bayer Crop Sciences, and Nexgen. Three continuing education units will be awarded.

• The Emergency Services Chaplains Corps is seeking volunteer chaplains. The corps provides spiritual services to Howard County residents and visitors in crisis situations. Prospective chaplains don't require any specific experience or education to qualify for the position, just a calling from God and a willingness to devote time to the program, which requires a 24- to 30-week training program and dedication of one day per week for emergency call-outs. Those interested should contact Senior Chaplain Joel Miller at 432-213-1221.

• Big Spring's Centennial Lions Club is holding a drive to collect books for the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club. Books for kids in kindergarten through about 10th grade will be accepted, with special preference for books for younger children in kindergarten through third grade. Cash donations to allow the Lions to purchase additional books are also appreciated. Books or donations can be taken to the Salvation Army, 811 W. Fifth St., or to the home of Lions member Ken Lawhon at 1707 E. 15th St. For more information, contact Lawhon at 214-998-9716 or Lions member David Stives at 432-270-2251.

• 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. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998.

If you want additional information about getting your child on this program please contact your child's school.

• Each week Kindred offers free health checks from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Corner House Coffee Shop, 1701 Scurry St.

• Seniors and mature adults are invited to a dance on the first, third and fifth Friday of each month at the Dora Roberts Community Center.

Dances are from 7:00 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.

Cost has dropped to \$5 per person.

• Howard County Republicans meet the second Monday of each month. Club members meet in the Cactus Room at Howard College at 11:30 a.m. for Dutch treat lunch and meeting at 12 p.m.

• The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Tuesday of each month a 7 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library.

• Big Spring Centennial Lion's Club meets twice a month at the Big Spring TA Truck Stop. They meet on the first Tuesday of the month at noon and the 3rd Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

• The Christensen-Tucker Post-2013 Veterans of Foreign Wars meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 pm at 500 Driver Road. For more information, contact David Leonard, Post Commander, at 432-816-6004. All combat veterans of foreign wars are invited to come.

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

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Tuesday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact 432-271-2138.

• Staked Plains Masonic Lodge No. 598 meets the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. (dinner is at 6 p.m.) at 219 1/2 Main St. All Masons are welcome.

• Membership to the Big Spring Native American Association is open to the public. People interested in Native American culture are encouraged to find out more about the organization by calling Richard "Indio" Lesser at 432-935-0125,

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary Group is looking to expand. Positions are available for the Auxiliary group and the Teen Volunteer program. Must be 15 years of age to take part in the teen volunteer program. If you would like to volunteer please contact Heath White at 268-4850.

• The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council is in need of volunteers to fill a variety of needs to assist the hospital's patients. Applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at The Chalet, 115 E. Second St., Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. or at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Department, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Volunteers can assist with a variety of functions, including The Chalet Resale Shop, various fundraisers and patient events. For more information, contact Dee Lindsey, Big Spring State Hospital Director of Community Relations, (432) 268-7535 or danielle.lindsey@dshs.state.tx.us

• Home Hospice is in need of volunteers of all ages. The organization is requesting volunteers to visit patients. Volunteers set their own hours. For more information, contact Beverly Grant at 264-7599 or 432-967-0901.

• Mobile Meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you would like to donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Maria at 816-6474.

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

• 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.

• Big Spring and surrounding counties are in need of foster families. Foster parents are the caretakers for the children in the community who have been abused or neglected. For more information on becoming foster parents or adoptive families, call the Children's Protective Services office at 432-263-9669.

• The mission of CASA of West Texas is to promote and support quality volunteers who speak for the best interest of abused and neglected children in court in an effort to find each child a safe, nurturing and permanent home. We need your help. If you're interested in volunteering, contact Sara Basaldua at 1-877-316-8346 or visit www.BecomeaCASA.org or www.casawtx.org.

• The Crossroads Young Marines is taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

• The Homeownership Preservation Foundation (HPF) is an independent national nonprofit dedicated to helping distressed homeowners navigate financial challenges and avoid mortgage foreclosure. If you want to stop mortgage foreclosure and are need of help, the time to call 888-995-HOPE is now. HPF can provide counseling free of charge, in English and 170 other languages, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year. For free foreclosure help, call the hotline.

Obituaries

Leonso "Lee" Jimenez Sr.

Leonso "Lee" Jimenez Sr., 79, of Big Spring died Monday, Oct. 2, 2017, at his home. Services are pending at Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Gloria Jean Carmona Viau

Gloria Jean Carmona Viau, 68, of Emporia, Kan., formerly of Big Spring, died Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017, at her home. Services are pending.

Support Groups

TUESDAY

• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; newcomers meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• A six-week course in Wellness and Quality of Life with Chronic Pain will be held at Spring Creek Fellowship located in the Spring Town Plaza, 1801 E. FM 700. There is no charge for the course, and a workbook will be provided. Contact Steve Purdy at 432-517-4840 for more information.

WEDNESDAY

• RSD (Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy) a chronic pain disease, a support and informative group, meets at 213 Circle. Call Lucy at (432) 517-9207 for more information.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; open 12 & 12 study meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

THURSDAY

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Newcomers' meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Weight Watchers meets at 6 p.m. at St. Paul Lutheran Church. Weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. Weigh-in is confidential and you don't have to talk if you don't want to. Flexible payment options.

• A Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

FRIDAY

• 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 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

• Reformers Unanimous International is a faith-based addictions program helping people find freedom from addiction. Meetings begin at 7 p.m. Mondays at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Enter at the main entrance of the church.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, As Bill Sees it, 615 Settles, 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

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Acts of heroism emerge in chaos of Las Vegas shooting



AP photo

Natalynn Rivis, a student at University of Nevada Las Vegas, right, takes part in a vigil Monday, Oct. 2, 2017, in Las Vegas. A gunman on the 32nd floor of the Mandalay Bay casino hotel rained automatic weapons fire down on the crowd of over 22,000 at an outdoor country music festival Sunday.

By AMANDA LEE MYERS and JOCELYN GECKER

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Rob Ledbetter's battlefield instincts kicked in quickly as bullets rained overhead.

The 42-year-old U.S. Army veteran who served as a sniper in Iraq immediately began tending to the wounded, one of several heroes to emerge from the deadliest mass shooting in modern U.S. history. Amid the massacre in Las Vegas, which left 59 people dead and more than 500 injured, there were acts of compassion and countless heroics that officials say saved scores of lives.

There was a man one survivor knows only as Zach who herded people to a safe place. There was a registered nurse from Tennessee who died shielding his wife.

Like many people in the crowd of some 22,000 country music fans Sunday night, Ledbetter heard the pop-popping noise and figured it was fireworks. Then he saw people dropping to the ground. When more booms echoed in the night air, he recognized the sound of auto-

matic weapons fire. The gunman, identified as Stephen Craig Paddock, a 64-year-old retired accountant from Mesquite, Nevada, created his own sniper's perch inside the 32nd floor room at the Mandalay Bay casino hotel, across from the concert grounds. He appeared to fire unhindered for more than 10 minutes, according to radio traffic, and then killed himself before officers stormed in and found 23 firearms.

"The echo, it sounded like it was coming from everywhere and you didn't know which way to run," said Ledbetter, who was at the concert with seven people including his brother, who was shot and injured, and his wife. They found cover in a VIP area of the concert. Once out of harm's way, he turned to injured strangers.

Thanks to a man who took the flannel shirt off his back, Ledbetter says he put a makeshift tourniquet on a wounded teenage girl, whose face was covered with blood.

"Some random guy, I said, 'I need your shirt,'" said Ledbetter, who is now a mortgage broker and a resident of Las

Vegas. "He just gave me the flannel off his back."

Ledbetter said he compressed someone else's shoulder wound, and he fashioned a bandage for a man whose leg was shot through by a bullet.

"There was a guy that looked like he had a through and through on his leg, that we just put a T-shirt around and just did a bandanna tie," said Ledbetter, who was outside University Medical Center on Monday, where his brother was being treated for a gunshot that went through his arm and into his chest. He is expected to survive.

Ledbetter and others grabbed the injured man, carried him out to Las Vegas Boulevard, put him in the back of a utility truck with five to 10 other people that was headed to the hospital.

Ledbetter said he would have helped more people but couldn't clear the barrage of gunfire.

"I'm saving people, or trying to do my best. But it got to the point, I saw people all over, laying where we used to be standing ... just laying there and nobody getting to them



AP photo

Pastor William McCurdy holds a candle during a prayer vigil in honor of those affected by the shooting on the Las Vegas Strip, in front of Las Vegas City Hall in Las Vegas, Monday, Oct. 2, 2017. The vigil was held in honor of the over 50 people killed and hundreds injured in a mass shooting at an outdoor music concert late Sunday.

and I couldn't get out there. The shots just kept coming in and bouncing. I would have been in harm's way," he said.

He worries that those unfamiliar with battlefields will suffer what they have survived.

"Everybody there is going to have emotional problems. I know that. There was blood everywhere I went: Excalibur, Luxor, on the Strip, on the street," Ledbetter said. "All these people are going to have PTSD. I feel bad for all of them."

Another concertgoer, Anna Kupchyan, credits a man she knows only as Zach for saving her life and about nine others when he herded them into an outdoor trailer serving as a restroom.

Kupchyan, a 27-year-old law student from Los Angeles, said bullets were raining down on the crowd as she and a horde of others began running in search of a way out of the outdoor venue.

The man, Zach, opened a door and ordered people inside and then joined them and shut the door, Kupchyan said.

They stayed inside as the

shooting continued, everyone paralyzed in fear, she said.

"Then security came and they shouted for us to get out, to run," she recalled. Outside the trailer, dead bodies were sprawled on the ground, including a man who had been shot in the head, she said.

She and her best friend Leslie Aguilar, a 26-year-old therapist, eventually jumped in a cab that was driving by and befriended two other women survivors who let them stay in their hotel room until the danger subsided.

Not all of Sunday night's heroes survived.

Sonny Melton, a registered nurse, died in the shooting, according to The Henry County Medical Center in Paris, Tennessee, where he worked.

His wife, Dr. Heather Melton, an orthopedic surgeon who was with him when shots were fired, survived.

She told WZTV in Nashville, Tennessee, that her husband "saved my life and lost his." She said her husband was the most kind-hearted, loving man she ever met.

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this summer.

Deel is the daughter of James Deel and Jolene Bricker. She participates in softball, band, powerlifting, track, and FFA. Deel is very family oriented. She also enjoys helping animals, singing, and going dancing with friends especially two-stepping.

The 2017 Homecoming Queen will be revealed during the high school varsity game halftime show this Friday night at Bulldog Stadium.

Tom Petty, down-to-Earth rock superstar, dies at 66

By HILLEL ITALIE

AP National Writer

Tom Petty, an old-fashioned rock superstar and everyman who drew upon the Byrds, the Beatles and other bands he worshipped as a boy and produced new classics such as "Free Fallin,'" "Refugee" and "American Girl," has died. He was 66.

Petty died Monday night at UCLA Medical Center in Los Angeles a day after he suffered cardiac arrest at his home in Malibu, California, spokeswoman Carla Sacks said.

Petty and his longtime band the Heartbreakers had recently completed a 40th-anniversary tour, one he hinted would be their last.

"I'm thinking it may be the last trip around the country," Petty told Rolling Stone last year. "We're all on the backside of our 60s. I have a granddaughter now I'd like to see as much as I can. I don't want to spend my life on the road. This tour will take me away for four months. With a little kid, that's a lot of time." Usually backed by the Heartbreakers, Petty broke through in the 1970s and went on to sell more than 80 million records. The Gainesville, Florida, native with the shaggy blond hair and gaunt features was loved for his melodic hard rock, nasally vocals and down-to-earth style. The Rock and Roll Hall of

Fame, which inducted Petty and the Heartbreakers in 2002, praised them as "durable, resourceful, hard-working, likeable and unpretentious."

He was a beloved member of the rock community and musicians sent their condolences. Bob Dylan, a longtime friend, tweeted "I thought the world of Tom. He was great performer, full of the light, a friend, and I'll never forget him."

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Las Vegas gunman was retired and had no criminal record



AP photo

Eric Paddock, brother of Las Vegas gunman Stephen Paddock, speaks to reporters near his home, Monday, Oct. 2, 2017, in Orlando, Fla. Paddock told the Orlando Sentinel: "We are completely dumbfounded. We can't understand what happened."

By **KEN RITTER** and **GENE JOHNSON**

Associated Press
MESQUITE, Nev. (AP) — Stephen Paddock lived in a tidy Nevada retirement community where the amenities include golf, tennis and bocce. He owned rental properties, held a private pilot's license and liked to travel to Las Vegas to play high-stakes video poker.

But nothing in his background suggests why he would have been on the 32nd floor of the Mandalay Bay Hotel and Casino with at least 10 guns on Sunday night, raining an unparalleled slaughter upon an outdoor country music festival below.

"I can't even make something up," his bewildered brother, Eric Paddock, told reporters Monday. "There's just nothing."

At least 58 people were killed and more than 500 wounded in Paddock's attack on the Route 91 Harvest Festival, where country music star Jason Aldean was performing for more than 22,000 fans. It was the worst mass shooting in modern U.S. history. The 64-year-old gunman killed himself in the hotel room before authorities arrived.

The Islamic State group claimed responsibility, without offering evidence, but Aaron Rouse, the FBI agent in charge in Las Vegas, said investigators saw no connection to international terrorism.

Asked about a potential motive, Sheriff Joseph Lombardo said he could not "get into the mind of a psychopath at this point."

Public records of-

ferred no hint of financial distress or criminal history, and Eric Paddock, who spoke with reporters outside his home near Orlando, Florida, said he did not know of any religious or political affiliation his brother had. Stephen Paddock had not served in the military and was "not an avid gun guy at all," he said.

"Where the hell did he get automatic weapons?" Eric Paddock said. "He's a guy who lived in a house in Mesquite and drove down and gambled in Las Vegas."

But Eric Paddock also told The Associated Press that he had not talked to his brother in six months and last heard from him in a text message sent after Hurricane Irma.

"It was like, 'You ok?' 'Yeah.'" Eric Paddock recalled. "We talked when we had something to talk about."

Eric Paddock also recalled another recent text showing "a picture that he won \$40,000 on a slot machine. But that's the way he played."

Heavily armed police searched Paddock's home in Mesquite, near the Arizona border about 80 miles northeast of Las Vegas, looking for clues Monday. Paddock lived there with his 62-year-old girlfriend, who authorities said was out of the country when the shooting happened. Eric Paddock described her as kindly and said she sometimes sent cookies to his mother.

Police also searched a two-bedroom home Paddock owned in a retirement community in Reno, 500 miles from Mesquite.

While Stephen Paddock appeared to have no criminal history,

Terrorism, race, religion: Defining the Las Vegas shooting



AP photo

A woman sits on a curb at the scene of a shooting outside of a music festival along the Las Vegas Strip, Monday, Oct. 2, 2017, in Las Vegas. Multiple victims were being transported to hospitals after a shooting late Sunday at a music festival on the Las Vegas Strip.

By **LORI HINNANT** and **JUSTIN JUOZAPAVICIUS**

Associated Press

The mass shooting in Las Vegas is the deadliest in modern U.S. history, but is it terrorism?

While much will hinge on the motives of a white gunman attacking a mostly-white country music crowd, that uncomfortable question also hits at some of America's most divisive issues: race, religion and politics.

The FBI said Monday that the 64-year-old shooter, identified as U.S. citizen Stephen Paddock, had no connection to an international terrorist group. The Islamic State group earlier claimed responsibility, saying Paddock was a recent convert. But beyond the claim, which offered no proof, the shooter's motives are unclear and little was known immediately beyond his name and his choice of target.

"Just because we rush to ascribe motive when the shooter is Muslim doesn't mean we should rush to ascribe motive when the shooter is white," Shadi Hamid, a fellow at the Brookings Institute think tank and author of "Islamic Exceptionalism," wrote in a tweet Monday.

Paddock, from Mesquite, Nevada, apparently killed himself as police closed in on his hotel room. The lack of known motive so far clouds whether the shooting meets traditional definitions of terrorism. Those generally include having a political, economic, religious or social goal; and using violence to convey a message to a broader audience than just the victims.

The absence of infor-

mation leaves many to fall back on a debate that has roiled the United States since even before Timothy McVeigh used a truck bomb against a federal building in Oklahoma City in 1995.

McVeigh was convicted not of terrorism, but of using a weapon of mass destruction and of murder for the deaths of eight federal law enforcement officers who died in the blast, which killed a total of 168 people. At well over 50 dead, Sunday's toll surpassed that of the June 2016 shooting at Orlando's Pulse nightclub, which killed 49 people. The Orlando shooting was carried out by Omar Mateen, a 29-year-old U.S. citizen who claimed allegiance to the Islamic State group and was killed by police. Then-President Barack Obama called it "an act of terror and an act of hate." Within hours of the Pulse shooting, then-candidate Donald Trump send a self-con-



AP photo

People load into buses destined to different Strip Casinos following a mass shooting at the Route 91 music festival along the Las Vegas Strip, Monday, Oct. 2, 2017. UNLV's Thomas & Mack Center was opened as a place of refuge.

gratulatory tweet "for being right on radical Islamic terrorism." On Monday, as president, Trump offered condolences to victims and their families and called the shooting "an act of pure evil."

Outside the U.S., recent attacks that have resulted in terrorism charges include the November 2015 Islamic State attacks in Paris, which killed 130, and the 2011 rampage by Norwegian mass killer Anders Breivik, a neo-Nazi who gunned down 77 people in 2011. Ahead of Monday's shootings, Randall Law, who wrote "Terrorism: A History," said he believed there is a racial component to the United States' reluctance to clarify or prosecute with domestic terror laws. Many Americans, he said, think only "people with foreign names ... and people with dark skin funding foreign ideologies" would commit such horrific acts.

He adds that different branches in the U.S. fed-

eral government — from Homeland Security to the FBI to the State Department — have "multiple definitions of terrorism." "It's a truism that nobody can quite agree on how to define terrorism," he said.

Law said there are complex arguments against drawing up a comprehensive definition of domestic terrorism in law. First Amendment concerns arise in legal discussions about making domestic terrorism a crime. Many worry the federal government would criminalize speech, religion or ideology. Regardless, Nevada law has a clear definition of terrorism: "The use or attempted use of sabotage, coercion or violence which is intended to cause great bodily harm or death to the general population."

The mayor of Las Vegas, Carolyn Goodman, made no reference to that on Monday, simply describing the shooter as "a crazed lunatic, full of hate."



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El Paso attorney linked to drug cartels gets 10 more years

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — A West Texas lawyer serving 16 years in a \$600 million drug money case linked to Mexican cartels has now been sentenced to 10 years for fraud.

Marco Antonio Delgado was sentenced Friday in El Paso.

Delgado in 2016 was convicted of wire fraud, money laundering and engaging in monetary transactions of criminally derived property.

Federal prosecutors say the former El Paso philanthropist and ex-Carnegie Mellon University trustee was accused of conspiring to launder money allegedly stolen from a Mexican utility.

Delgado in 2013 was convicted of drug conspiracy related to a Mexican cartel and was sentenced to 20 years.

He appealed and the penalty was changed to 16 years.

Half of Delgado's new sentence will be served concurrent to the 16 years, then he must serve five more years.

Houston man accused of decapitating mother, stabbing father

HOUSTON (AP) — Investigators say a 27-year-old Houston man is accused of decapitating his mother and wounding his father in a stabbing attack.

Harris County court records show Kyriakos Savvas Georghiou is being held without bond Monday on charges of murder and aggravated assault of a family member in the Friday night attack.

Houston police say the suspect came out of the home carrying two knives and surrendered to officers who were responding to a domestic disturbance call.

The Houston Chronicle reports that investigators found the woman inside, with her head separated from her body.

Paramedics tended to a man who had multiple stab wounds.

Police haven't released the victims' names.

Online court records don't list an attorney for Georghiou.

Texas couple killed in Arkansas interstate crash

ARKADELPHIA, Ark. (AP) — Authorities say a husband and wife from Texas were killed after their vehicle was struck by a tractor-trailer on Interstate 30 in southwest Arkansas.

Arkansas State Police say Morgan Lawrence and Jean Lawrence of Flint, Texas, died after the crash early Saturday near Arkadelphia, about 60 miles (96 kilometers) southwest of Little Rock.

Little Rock television station KATV reports that Morgan Lawrence, who went by the nickname Marty, was a fire department captain in Tyler, Texas. The TV station reports that the couple was visiting their son, who plays football at Henderson State University in Arkadelphia.

An Arkansas State Police report says the tractor-trailer struck the Lawrences' vehicle, sending both vehicles off the interstate.

The truck's driver was injured and taken to an Arkadelphia hospital.

Court sides with Texas cheerleaders in Bible banner lawsuit

BEAUMONT, Texas (AP) — A Texas appeals court has ruled banners emblazoned with Bible verses at football games by a group of cheerleaders are protected private speech and not government speech that can be regulated by school officials.

In its ruling Thursday, the 9th Court of Appeals in Beaumont said it's "highly unlikely" people would consider the messages on the banners by the Kountze (koontz) school district cheerleaders to be endorsed by the school.

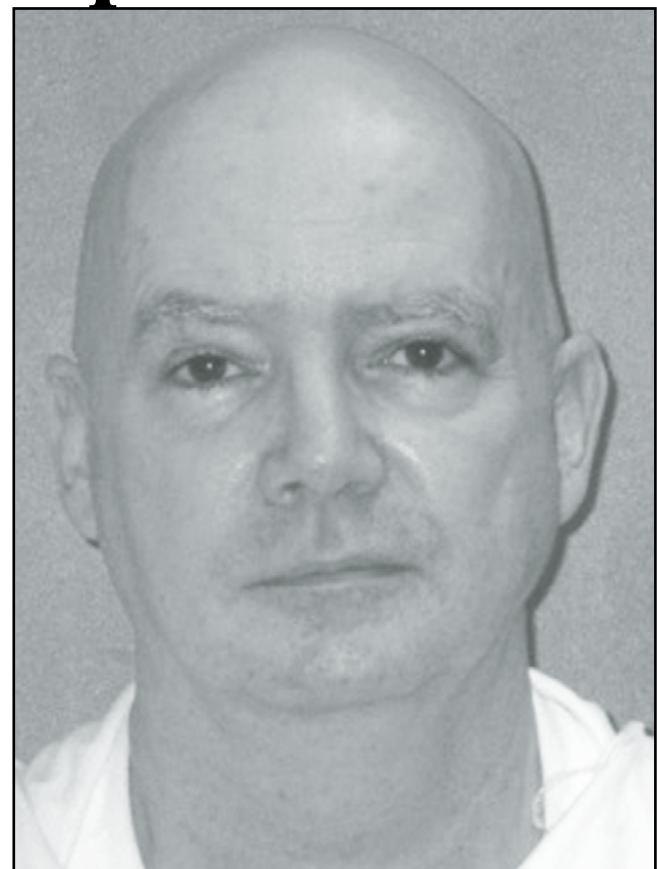
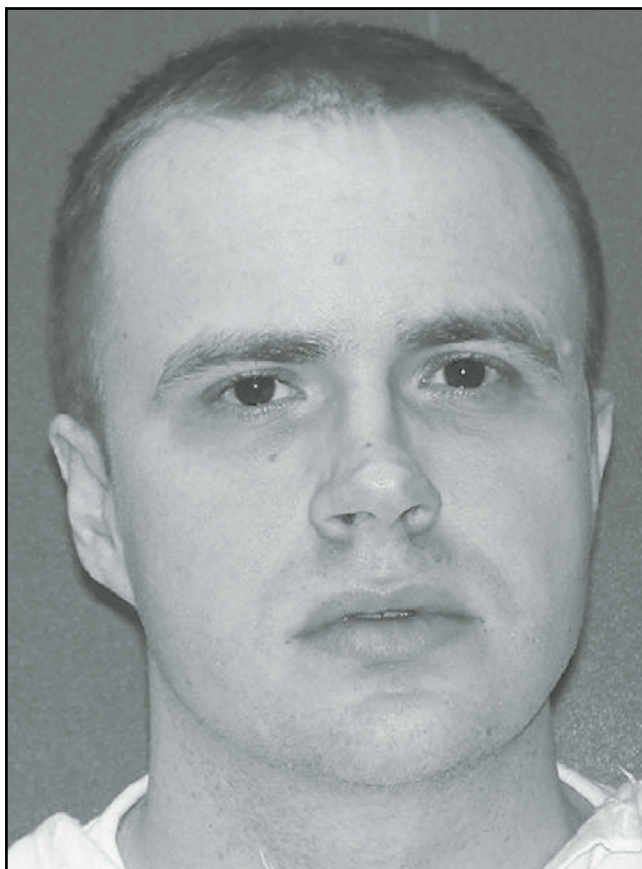
The district at first said the banners couldn't be displayed but later changed its policy.

The cheerleaders sued in 2012.

The Texas Supreme Court last year allowed the lawsuit to continue, sending it back to the lower court.

Tom Brandt, attorney for the school district, told The Dallas Morning News the district hasn't decided if it will appeal.

2 Texas inmates set to die this month lose at Supreme Court



AP photo
This undated photo provided by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice shows Robert Pruett. The U.S. Supreme Court has refused an appeal from convicted killer Pruett, facing execution in Texas this month. The high court, without comment, declined to review appeal from the death row inmate. The 38-year-old Pruett is set to die Oct. 12 for the 1999 fatal stabbing of a corrections officer at a South Texas prison where he already was serving a 99-year sentence for his involvement in another slaying.

By MICHAEL GRACZYK

Associated Press

HOUSTON (AP) — The U.S. Supreme Court on Monday refused appeals from two convicted killers facing execution in Texas this month, including one inmate set to die next week.

The high court, without comment, declined to review appeals from death row inmates Robert Pruett and Anthony Shore.

Pruett, 38, is set to die Oct. 12 for the fatal 1999 stabbing of a corrections officer at a South Texas prison where he already was serving a 99-year sentence for his involvement in another killing. Shore, 55, is scheduled for lethal injection Oct. 18 for the 1992 slaying of a 21-year-old woman in Houston.

Pruett's attorneys have long questioned the evidence in his case.

They have sought additional DNA testing of evidence used to

convict him of the December 1999 killing of Daniel Nagle, a 37-year-old officer at the Texas Department of Criminal Justice's McConnell Unit near Beeville, about 85 miles south-east of San Antonio.

Pruett was serving 99 years for murder at the prison for participating with his father and a brother in a neighbor's slaying.

Evidence showed the killing of the corrections officer stemmed from a dispute over a peanut butter sandwich that Pruett wanted to take into a prison recreation yard in violation of rules.

Pruett testified at his 2002 trial in Corpus Christi that he was innocent in Nagle's death.

His attorney, David Dow, a law professor at the University of Houston, did not immediately respond to a phone message seeking comment Monday.

In 2015, Pruett came within hours of execution before his punishment was stopped by a

AP photo
This photo provided by the Texas Department of Criminal Justice shows Anthony Shore. The U.S. Supreme Court has refused an appeal from convicted killer Shore, facing execution in Texas this month. The high court, without comment, declined to review appeal from the death row inmate. The 55-year-old Shore is set for lethal injection Oct. 18 for the 1992 slaying of a 20-year-old woman in Houston. He has confessed to that killing and three others.

state judge.

Shore, who confessed to killing the 21-year-old woman, two teenage girls and a 9-year-old girl, is known in Houston as the "Tourniquet Killer" because his victims were tortured and strangled with hand-made tourniquets.

The slayings connected to Shore went unsolved for years until DNA evidence linked him to the sexual assault of two relatives who were juveniles. He subsequently confessed to the killings and was convicted in 2004 in the slaying of 21-year-old Maria del Carmen Estrada. Her body was found in 1992 in the drive-thru lane of a Dairy Queen.

Shore's lawyer, Knox Nunnally, had hoped his client's death sentence could be reduced to life in prison.

He has said Shore suffered from traumatic brain injury.

Nunnally didn't immediately respond to a call for comment on the Supreme Court ruling.

The justices on Mon-

day also refused the appeals of three other Texas death row inmates: Kwame Rockwell of Fort Worth; Jaime Cole, from Ecuador and convicted in Houston; and Garcia White of Houston. None of them has an execution date.

Rockwell, 41, received a death sentence for the 2010 killing of 22-year-old Fort Worth convenience store clerk Daniel Rojas during a robbery. A bread deliveryman also was killed in the holdup.

Cole, 47, was sent to death row for the fatal 2010 shootings of his estranged wife, Melissa Cole, 31, and her 15-year-old daughter, Alecia Castillo, at their apartment in Houston.

White, 54, was convicted in the fatal slayings of twin 16-year-old sisters, Annette and Bernette Edwards, in 1989 in Houston.

He was charged but not tried for killing their mother, and was linked to two other slayings.

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If addiction is a disease, should relapse mean jail time?

By **ALANNA DURKIN RICHER**

Associated Press

BOSTON (AP) — Less than two weeks after a court ordered Julie Eldred to not use drugs while on probation, she tested positive for the powerful opioid fentanyl. The woman, who has severe substance use disorder, spent the next 10 days behind bars in Massachusetts until her lawyer could find a bed for her at a treatment facility.

In a case that could have big implications, Eldred is challenging the practice of requiring people with addiction to remain drug free as a condition of probation. The 29-year-old argues that by jailing people with substance use disorder for failing to stay clean, courts are unfairly punishing users for something beyond their control.

"For the person who suffers from substance use disorder, a court order to be drug free is effectively a court order to be in remission of one's addiction," her attorney, Lisa Newman-Polk, told Massachusetts' highest court Monday.

Most addiction specialists — including groups such as the National Institute on Drug Abuse and American Society of Addiction Medicine — view substance use disorder as a brain disease that interferes with a person's ability to control their desire to use drugs.

But the Massachusetts attorney general's office and others fighting Eldred's case argue that the probation conditions — which are used widely across the country — help users on their path to recovery. The practice should

be upheld because people with addiction maintain the ability to make choices, Attorney General Maura Healey's office argues.

"Taking away the ability to impose the condition and to have those consequences and that aspect of accountability available when sentencing someone with substance use disorder can actually have a negative impact," Assistant Attorney General Maria Granik told the court.

Justices with the Supreme Judicial Court, which is expected to issue a decision in the coming weeks, asked tough questions of both sides and gave little indication as to how the court might rule.

"This is a really challenging issue," Chief Justice Ralph Gants said.

Eldred was charged with larceny for stealing jewelry and sentenced to one year of probation, which allows people to avoid jail or prison if they meet certain conditions. She was participating in outpatient treatment when she relapsed and violated no other conditions of her probation when she was sent to jail, where she received no treatment.

The attorney general's office has said the court may have saved Eldred's life by putting her behind bars and ensuring she didn't overdose.

But Newman-Polk told the justices that if the court had been really worried about Eldred's safety, it could have forced her into treatment by civilly committing her.

The attorney general is being backed in the case by a group of psychologists and psychiatrists who oppose the classification of addiction as



AP photo

In this Sept. 22, 2017 photo, Julie Eldred poses for a photo in her Massachusetts home. Eldred, 29, tested positive for the opioid fentanyl less than two weeks after a court ordered her to refrain from drugs while on probation for larceny. She spent the next 10 days in jail until her lawyer could find her a bed in a treatment facility. On Monday, Oct. 2, 2017, Massachusetts' highest court will hear her case challenging the practice of ordering people with addiction to stay drug free as a condition of probation.

a brain disease. Doing away with the probation requirement could have devastating consequences because the threat of jail time encourages users to stay sober, the group argues.

Despite changes in the brain from drug use, people with addiction are not totally powerless to the substances, they say.

"We don't mean people just snap their fingers and give up drugs," Sally Satel, a resident scholar the Washington-based American Enterprise Institute and psychiatrist who works at a methadone clinic, said in an interview.

"But can they respond to incentives and sanctions? We know they can," she said.

But Justice Barbara Lenk questioned why it wouldn't be enough to simply order someone with substance use disorder to remain in treatment.

Why do courts need the drug-free probation requirement, when for most people with addiction, "it's going to doom them to failure?" Lenk asked.

Michael Botticelli, who served as the nation's drug czar under President Barack Obama, said an interview that people need to be held

accountable for their behavior. The measure, however, should be whether someone is committed to treatment, not whether they relapse — a common occurrence in the recovery process, he said.

"To, in essence, incarcerate someone because they relapsed, without any other criminal behavior, I think is antithetical to the understanding that addiction is a disease," said Botticelli, who's now executive director of the Grayken Center for Addiction Medicine at Boston Medical Center and signed onto a brief supporting Eldred's effort.

Alaska communities weigh pot bans 3 years after legalization

By **BECKY BOHRER**

Associated Press

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — Alaska marijuana grower Mike Emers has been losing sleep with a vote fast approaching that he says could shutter his family's business and financially ruin them.

The statewide initiative that legalized recreational marijuana in 2014 allows local governments to ban pot businesses within their borders.

And on Tuesday, voters in two of Alaska's major marijuana-growing areas — including the Fairbanks area, where Emers operates Rosie Creek Farm — will decide whether to do so.

If the proposed bans on marijuana growing, manufacturing, selling and testing are successful, several dozen businesses would be forced to close.

And, some in the industry worry, besides creating a bottleneck in the cannabis supply chain, it could embolden other communities to pursue bans or cause state lawmakers to look at whether to roll back legalization.

"I think this is a piv-

otal moment for the course we're setting here," said Cary Carrigan, executive director of the Alaska Marijuana Industry Association. Carrigan said he felt good about the work the industry has put in to fight the bans but wouldn't hazard a guess as to how the votes might go.

Emers, who turned to growing cannabis after financially struggling as an organic fruit and vegetable farmer, understood the risks when he poured his life savings into the business. While the vote is legally allowed, "on a moral basis, it's disingenuous," he said.

"To have the rug pulled out from under us once the ball is rolling seems incredibly unfair," he said.

The opt-out provision for local governments isn't unique to Alaska, but it's unusual to see it exercised so long after a legalization vote, said Chris Lindsey, senior legislative counsel with the national, pro-legalization Marijuana Policy Project.

Following Oregon's 2014 legalization vote, there was a rush by rural communities in

the eastern part of that state to enact bans, he said.

In Colorado, at least 69 communities have embraced marijuana businesses, most along the heavily populated Front Range, in Rocky Mountain resort areas or near borders with neighboring states.

More than twice as many have opted out, according to the Colorado Municipal League.

However, some communities that banned the drug in legal pot states have revisited the decision in light of tax revenues from sales.

For example, the City Council in Yakima, Washington, last year lifted a ban on recreational pot businesses.

Supporters of the proposed bans in and around Fairbanks, the largest city in Alaska's Interior with about 32,000 people, and in rural parts of the Kenai Peninsula Borough initially hoped to bring the issue to voters last fall but failed to meet deadlines to do so.

The Kenai Peninsula Borough is about 65 air miles (104 kilometers) southwest of Anchorage.

Ban supporters con-

tend it is one thing to support legalization statewide but another to support it in your community.

"The voters have a right to decide important questions like this, and when they get ignored and the neighborhoods aren't being protected by their local government, whose job it is to do that, someone needs to step up and say, 'Listen, this is wrong, and we need to fix it,'" said James Ostlind, chairman of the initiative group supporting bans in Fairbanks and surrounding unincorporated communities.

Ostlind and others cite frustration with local zoning rules they see as too lax and allowing marijuana businesses near homes.

Christine Nelson, director of community planning for the Fairbanks North Star Borough, which encompasses the city and nearby communities, said much of the borough is zoned as general use, allowing for nearly any type of use.

Many subdivisions and neighborhoods have gone up in these zones, creating a rub when other types of

property owners want to come in, she said.

Local officials have encouraged homeowners in general use areas who don't want legal pot farms or retail shops nearby to petition to have their areas rezoned as residential, a designation that restricts cannabis businesses. The trick, though, is getting enough homeowners to sign on, since some may have bought their property because they could use it for a range of purposes and don't want to lose that, Nelson said.

Lance Roberts, a

member of the Fairbanks North Star Borough assembly who supports the Fairbanks-area bans, expects a large voter turnout and a tight vote.

Many of the communities that have barred or limited pot businesses in Alaska so far are smaller or fairly conservative, such as North Pole, just outside Fairbanks, and Sarah Palin's hometown of Wasilla.

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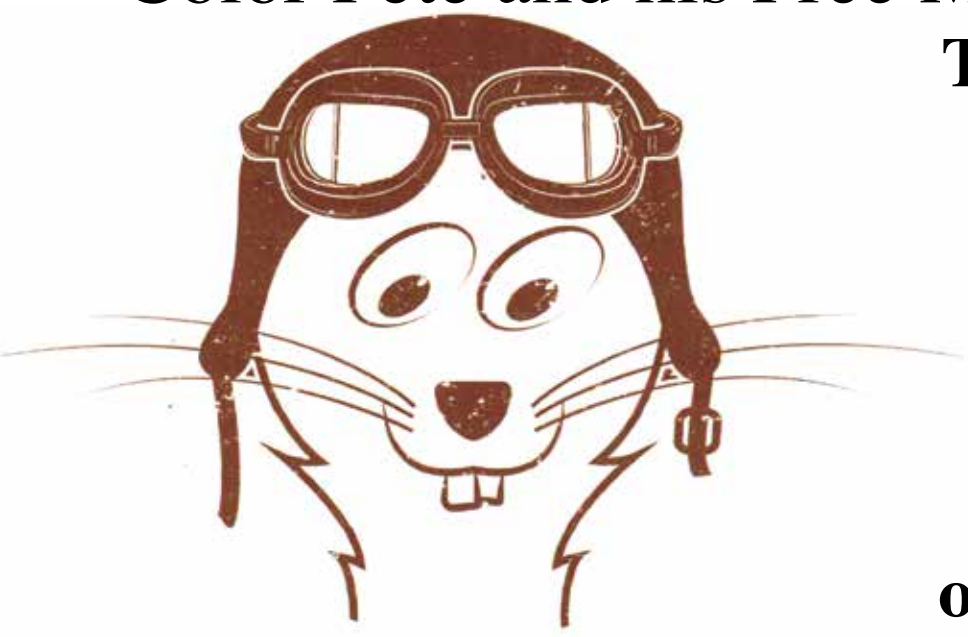
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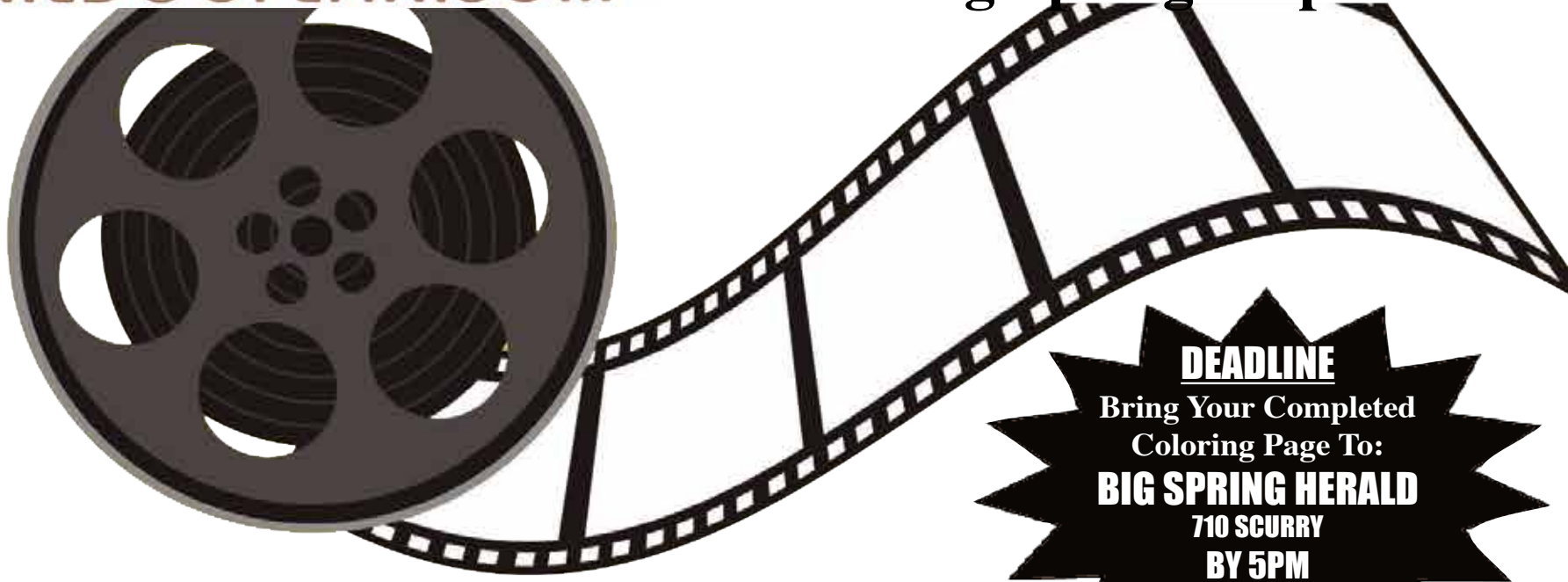
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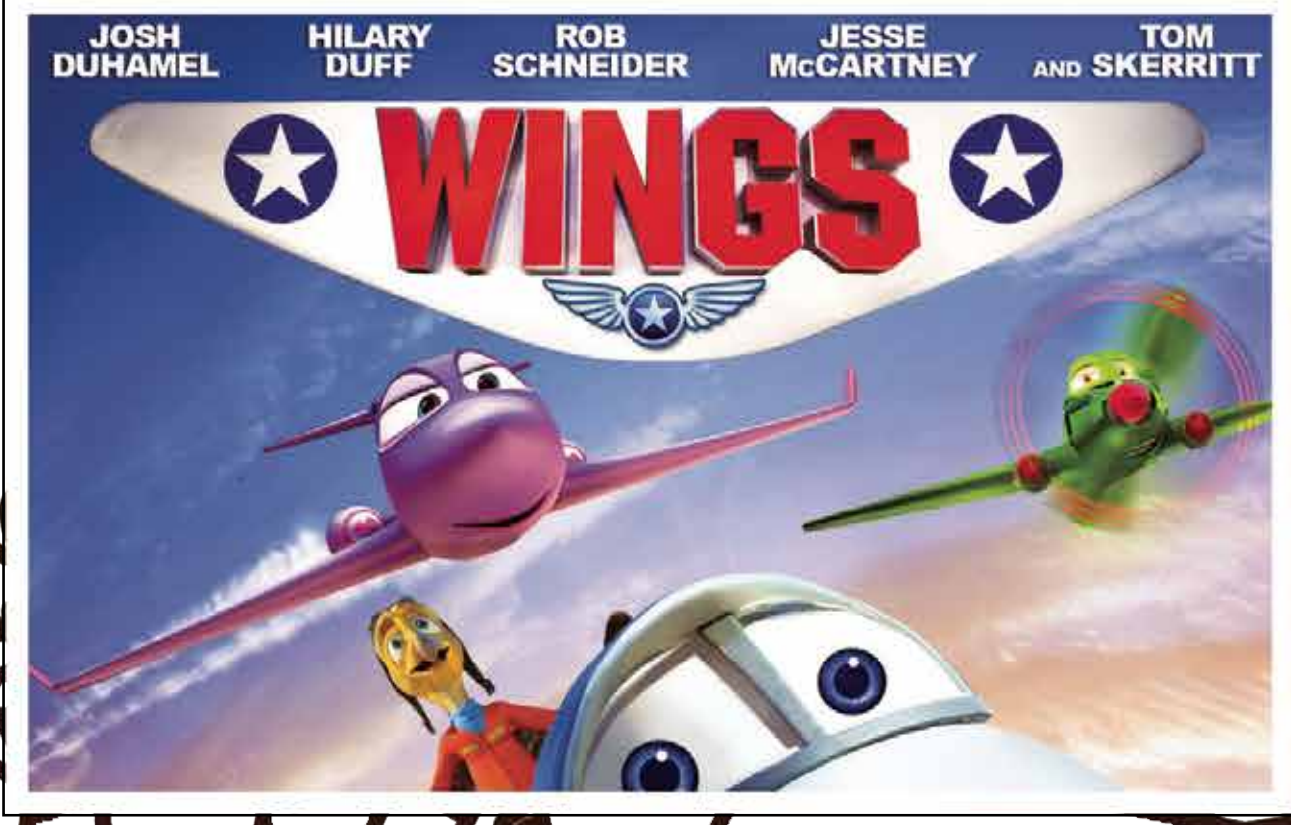
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M. Glennon	179 YDS, 4 TDS
218 YDS, 1 TD, 2 INTS	
RUSH	
J. Howard	A. Jones
18 ATT, 53 YDS, 1 TD	13 ATT, 49 YDS, 1 TD
REC	
K. Wright	J. Nelson
4 REC, 51 YDS, 1 TD	4 REC, 75 YDS, 2TD
Seahawks 46	
Colts 18	
SEAHAWKS	
PASS	R. Wilson
J. Brissett	295 YDS, 2 TDS, 2 INTS
157 YDS, 1 TD, 1 INT	
RUSH	
F. Gore	E. Lacy
12 ATT, 46 YDS	11 ATT, 52 YDS
REC	
F. Gore	T. Lockett
3 REC, 34 YDS	4 REC, 67 YDS
Eagles 26	
Chargers 24	
CHARGERS	
PASS	P. Rivers
C. Wentz	347 YDS, 2 TDS
242 YDS, 1 TD	
RUSH	
L. Blount	A. Ekeler
16 ATT, 136 YDS	1 ATT, 35 YDS, 1TD
REC	
Z. Etrz	K. Allen
5 REC, 81 YDS	5 REC, 138 YDS
Cardinals 18	
49ers 15	
CARDINALS	
PASS	C. Palmer
B. Hoyer	357 YDS, 1 TD, 1 INT
234 YDS, 1 INT	
RUSH	
C. Hyde	C. Johnson
16 ATT, 68 YDS	13 ATT, 32 YDS
REC	
A. Robinson	Ja. Brown
3 REC, 52 YDS	8 REC, 105 YDS
Bengals 31	
Browns 7	
BROWNS	
PASS	D. Kizer
A. Dalton	118 YDS, 1 INT
286 YDS, 4 TDS	
RUSH	
J. Mixon	I. Crowell
17 ATT, 29 YDS	7 ATT, 20 YDS
REC	
T. Kroft	R. Lewis
6 REC, 68 YDS, 2 TDS	5 REC, 64 YDS
Broncos 16	
Raiders 10	
BRONCOS	
PASS	T. Siemian
D. Carr	179 YDS, 1 TD
143 YDS, 1 TD	
RUSH	
M. Lynch	C. Anderson
9 ATT, 12 YDS	20 ATT, 95 YDS
REC	
J. Holton	A. Derby
1 REC, 64 YDS, 1 TD	4 REC, 75 YDS, 1 TD
Buccaneers 25	
Giants 23	
BUCCANEERS	
PASS	J. Winston
E. Manning	332 YDS, 3 TDS
288 YDS, 2 TDS	
RUSH	
W. Gallman	J. Rodgers
11 ATT, 42 YDS	16 ATT, 83 YDS
REC	
O. Beckham	C. Brate
7 REC, 90 YDS	4 REC, 80 YDS, 1 TD
Steelers 26	
Ravens 9	
RAVENS	
PASS	J. Flacco
B. Roethlisberger	235 YDS, 1 TD, 2 INTS
216 YDS, 1 TD, 1 INT	
RUSH	
L. Bell	A. Collins
35 ATT, 144 YDS, 2 TDS	9 ATT, 82 YDS
REC	
M. Bryant	M. Wallace
3 REC, 48 YDS	6 REC, 55 YDS, 1 TD

Cowboys' Prescott, Elliott get Packers next in uneven Year 2

By SCHUYLER DIXON
AP Pro Football Writer

FRISCO, Texas — Dak Prescott and Ezekiel Elliott lost two games when both played during a remarkable rookie year for the Dallas Cowboys.

The star quarterback and running back have already matched that a quarter of the way through what's been an uneven second season. They face Green Bay on Sunday less than nine months after the Packers (3-1) spoiled the duo's first playoff appearance as the NFC's top seed at home.

The Cowboys (2-2) solved the problem of slow starts in two straight games, but created a new one by letting an 11-point lead slip away in a surprising 35-30 loss to the Los Angeles Rams.

Prescott, last year's NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year, was off-target as the Cowboys punted three straight times in the third quarter after scoring on all four first-half drives Sunday. The fourth possession after halftime ended with his third interception of the season. Prescott threw four his entire rookie year.

"I think I missed some throws in the second half that I didn't miss in the first half or that I can't miss, simply," Prescott said. "Going along with that, it is just knowing where I am going

with the ball so that my feet can be in tune with my body."

Prescott was 20 of 36 for 252 yards and three touchdowns with his third sub-100 passer rating in four games. He had five

such games last season, when he set an NFL rookie record with a 104.9 rating as the Cowboys went 13-3. They lost their finale when

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AP photo

In this Aug. 12, 2017, file photo, Dallas Cowboys running back Ezekiel Elliott (21) and quarterback Dak Prescott stand on the sidelines during the first half of a preseason NFL football game against the Los Angeles Rams in Los Angeles.

After 3K, Beltre wants 2018 in Texas to another ring chance



AP photo

In this July 30, 2017, file photo, Texas Rangers' Adrian Beltre tips his helmet after hitting a double for his 3,000th career hit, that came off a pitch from Baltimore Orioles' Wade Miley in the fourth inning of a baseball game, in Arlington, Texas.

By STEPHEN HAWKINS

AP Sports Writer

ARLINGTON, Texas — Adrian Beltre is signed through next season with Texas, and wants his 21st major league season to be with the Rangers.

The third baseman who joined the 3,000-hit club this season also wants another chance to win a World Series.

And there lies a possible conundrum for the Rangers (78-84) coming off only their second losing season in nine years. While Beltre and Elvis Andrus provide solid leadership and offense, and there are young sluggers like Joey Gallo and Rougned Odor, the starting rotation is thin going into the offseason and the bullpen needs a boost.

"There's no doubt that we have a lot of questions to be answered," said Beltre, who will turn 39 ear-

ly next season.

Beltre wants to know that the Rangers are still trying to win, and not planning a rebuild, and has spoken with general manager Jon Daniels about that.

"It doesn't matter what stage of his career he's at, that's always where his head is. ... He wants to win," Daniels said. "That's a lot of what he brings to the table, that winning mindset. I wouldn't expect anything less."

Beltre finally got to play in the World Series in 2011, his first season with the Rangers. They won the AL West the past two seasons, then lost to Toronto in the AL Division Series. He hit .312 this season, starting 51 games late because of calf issues and ending the year with a strained left hamstring.

Ace pitcher Yu Darvish, near the end of his six-year contract after leaving Japan, was traded

to the Los Angeles Dodgers for three prospects on July 31. That was the day after Beltre got his 3,000th career hit.

With Andrew Cashner (11-11, 3.40 ERA) set to become a free agent, the remaining starters for the rotation are left-handers Cole Hamels (11-6) and Martin Perez (13-12).

After a single in Sunday's finale for his 3,048th hit, Beltre was lifted for a pinch-runner and got an extended rousing ovation. He was asked after the curtain call if he thought it might his last in Texas.

"You never know obviously," Beltre said. "The future is always up in the air, and obviously I don't want that to be the case. But it's out of my control right now."

Some other things to know

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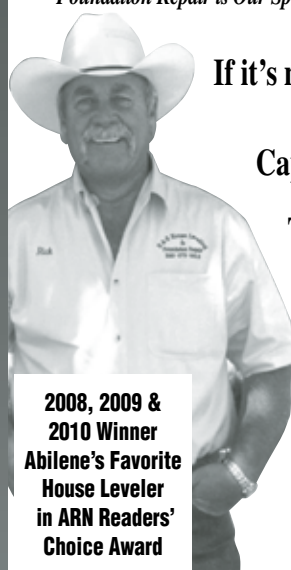


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Patterns of Pluto

Venus and Pluto form a very pleasing alignment to remind us how everybody likes a pattern. Chaos is destabilizing, whereas patterns reassure. They help us be our best selves. Take another look at the patterns at play in your own life these days. Doing so will help you relax, settle in and have more energy for expansion and curiosity.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). In science, opposite forces attract and like forces repel, but it's not usually the case in social matters. Still, the odd way people intermingle today will seem to have its own mysterious logic and rules.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Much boils down to simple matters of logistics. If you're here, paying attention to this, then you can't be there, paying attention to that. It's the practical space-time matters that will define the day.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Striving to be confident tends to look insecure. Just let confidence happen if and when it does. Confidence is a byproduct of doing. The one you want to impress will be more impressed if you're comfortable with however you really are.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There's a creative rebel in you,

and it feels like doing something to make yourself happy that other people, frankly, wouldn't understand. When you're happy, those who genuinely and selflessly love you will be happy for you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Some Google the menu before they get to the restaurant in order to have a very clear idea of what they're getting into, and others delight in surprise and make decisions on the spot. You'll be in the latter category today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll gravitate toward the magic words that will give you an edge by making a difficult message more palatable, or a boring message more interesting. Bonus: your beautiful handling of language is most attractive to others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Some of the provisions you need are food, but most of them aren't. Your soul is hungry. Your heart wants love. Your mind craves a challenge. You'll be amply supplied.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Don't watch the clock; (SET ITAL)be(EN ITAL) the clock, reaching ever forward one tick-tock at a time. The boring tasks will be a challenge. What helps is to add more elements to them and keep adding more until it's a game.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It is said of

Tomorrow's Horoscope

By HOLIDAY MATHIS



the aged, "When there is snow on the rooftop there's a fire in the furnace." You could be warmed by such a fire today as you let someone with more years than you share some wisdom.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The one who knows you well will push all the right buttons to get a desired reaction. If this is not something you like, it's time to change your wiring or put a passcode in place.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There are many possible interpretations of the cryptic information coming from someone who matters a lot to you. Take the lighter interpretation. Even if it's not what was meant, the levity in your response will make it so.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Assumptions are a waste of time and can be potentially

dangerous to a relationship. Extend the benefit of the doubt, and be happy for all the times you connect easily and without drama.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 3). You're not as young as you used to be or as old as you're going to be, and yet you feel in this moment a sharp surge of vibrancy and vitality. Follow your curiosities, especially in regard to the people you'll meet over

the next four weeks. Your generosity leads to good fortune in November. Investments pay in July. Leo and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 10, 6, 20 and 18.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION: "I seriously don't know what to do with my life. I used to have defined goals and go for them like crazy. A few hits and a lot more misses have happened over the last decade. Now I find myself really at a loss now as to what road to take. One day I feel like moving to a different country; the next I want to start a business; the next I'm convinced I should just get any stupid job I can find and give up on being an ambitious person. What advice do you have for a Scorpio who still has no idea what her (SET ITAL)thing(EN ITAL) is?"
You don't have one

(SET ITAL)thing.(EN ITAL) You're multifaceted and could be happy and successful doing many different things. When you stop expecting one shining "thing" to be yours, you can start finding your way through the best options. Here's an exercise that might open your sharp Scorpio mind to new answers: Choose three to five different scenarios. Accept them all as correct. Think about where each one might take you over the course of the next year, and see if you can get a sense of which scenarios stimulate your enthusiasm a little more than the others. Narrow it down and down until you have one choice to try out for one year. Re-assess in 12 months.

CELEBRITY PROFILES: Pop star, voice judge and designer galore Gwen Stefani exemplifies Libran artistry. With her sun, Mercury, Jupiter and Uranus all in Libra, the two robust forces of her natal chart are relationships and art. With her personal life increasingly a source of intrigue, Stefani is likely to lean into her Neptune in Scorpio to protect the privacy of those nearest and dearest to her.

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Husband and Sis Don't Get Along

Dear Annie: I am having issues with my sister, "Sharon." We are both in our early 50s and have always had a good relationship, but she

and my husband, "Rick," haven't gotten along in the 26 years I've been married. I would describe their relationship as "tolerant" at best. Because of this, whenever she comes to town, I get together with her without my husband. But he doesn't seem to

mind. I do have Sharon over for dinner on occasion, and we manage to get through the evening.

The problem we're facing now: My mother is not well, and we don't know how much longer she has to live. My parents live near my husband and me,

and Sharon comes into town to visit regularly and usually stays with them.

Sharon wanted to come into town last month and stay with Rick and me instead of our parents. (She had had an argument with our dad on her previous visit and didn't want to stay with them.) I knew that staying at my house would result in all kinds of stress between my husband and me. He tolerates Sharon in small doses, but to have her stay with us for a few days is really out of the question.

When I told my sister that staying with me would not be possible, she completely shut down. She refuses to talk to me, even though I emailed her explaining my situation. I have contacted my father, my brother and Sharon's husband to help mediate, but to no avail. She wants

nothing to do with me. I feel as if she is focusing all the negative things in her life and directing them at me, that I have become her target. Do you think I should continue to reach out to her or let it go? -- Sisterly Stalemate

Dear Sisterly Stalemate: I think the first person you need to talk to is your husband. My guess is Sharon is fed up with your deferring to his preferences all these years. Can he not put their differences aside for just a few days? If his fear is that it would become a habit and she'd be staying with you every month, then you can address that by setting clear terms with your sister. I understand spending time with her might not be a walk in the park, but family is family. Unless she's outright toxic and cruel -- which doesn't seem to be

the case, because you've always managed to have a good relationship with her -- there's no need to ban her from ever staying at your home.

Dear Annie: I was unhappy but not surprised to see a recent question by someone whose electricity is being stolen by a guest who owns an electric car. This is becoming a big trend. Also, I'm seeing more and more retail establishments, government buildings, etc., not only providing free charging stations but also reserving prime parking spaces to those who plug the vehicles in. It seems a parking spot reserved as a charging station is now a higher priority near the door than a handicapped parking space! -- Glad I'm Retired

Dear Glad: You may actually be noticing handicapped-accessible charging spots for electrical vehicles. State codes on this matter are still being written, but many businesses aim to make charging spaces accessible to disabled patrons driving electric vehicles. Logistically, this can end up meaning that all the EV spaces are adjacent to handicapped spaces.

If you do spot violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act, file a complaint with the Department of Justice. (There's a handy form on its website.) The ADA relies on such complaints for enforcement.

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Annie's Mailbox

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Level: Advanced

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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9	2	7	3	4	1	8	6	5
1	3	5	6	7	8	2	9	4
6	8	4	2	5	9	1	3	7

ANSWER:



By Steve Becker

The worst-case scenario

North dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
NORTH
♦ A 7 5 2
♠ 8 3
♥ A K Q 10 7 3
WEST
♦ K 5
♥ 9
♠ Q J 7 5 4 2
♣ J 9 6 4
EAST
♦ Q 10 9 6 2
♥ J 10 8 4 3
♠ K 9
♣ 8
SOUTH
♦ A J 8 4 3
♥ K Q 6
♠ A 10 6
♣ 5 2

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♣ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
2 ♣ Pass 3 NT
Opening lead — five of diamonds.
For declarer, the bottom line on almost every deal is to make the contract. To this end, any play no matter how unusual — that enhances his prospects of making what he has bid is a good one. Conversely, any play — even though seemingly normal — that jeopardizes the contract is a bad one.
Today's hand provides a classic illustration of this principle. After West's opening diamond lead, South held up his ace until the third round of the suit, East discarding a heart on the third diamond after dummy dis-

carded a spade. Declarer then cashed the A-K of clubs, discovering to his dismay that West had started with the J-9-6-4.
Since South could not afford to concede a trick to West's jack of clubs, he turned his attention to hearts. But when that suit failed to divide favorably, he could do no better than take the eight top tricks he had started with.
Although declarer admittedly ran into an unlucky break in the club suit, he had no one but himself to blame for the outcome. The fact is that after the first three tricks had been played, he was virtually certain to make three notrump if he took the steps necessary to guarantee the contract.
The proper line of play after winning the third diamond is to cash one high club, cross to the king of hearts and lead a second club. After West follows low, dummy's ten is finessed.
In the actual case, the finesse succeeds, and declarer finishes with two overtricks, scoring six clubs, three hearts, a spade and a diamond.
And what happens if the finesse loses? In that case, declarer would wind up with 10 tricks instead of 11, but would feel secure in the knowledge that, win or lose, the finesse assured him of making the contract. And that, as we said earlier, is the bottom line.
Tomorrow: Let there be light.

	KMID (3) Midland	UNI (4) Spanish	KPEJ (5) Odessa	KOSA (7) Odessa	KTLE (8) Telemundo	KWES (9) Midland	KMLM (12) Odessa	KPBT (13) Odessa	KWWT (14) Odessa	KWES2 (15) Midland	WTBS (33) Atlanta	TNT (34) Atlanta	ESPN (35) Sports	ESPN2 (36) Sports	FSN (38) Sports	USA (55) New York	A&E (58) New York	DISC (60) Discovery
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7:PM	Wheel	Rosa de Guadalupe	Big Bang	ET	Caso Cer-rado	News	Our Mess	PBS News-Hour	M*A*S*H	Fam. Guy	Big Bang		Movie: Star Wars: The Empire Strikes Back (DVS)	30 for 30	WWE SmackDown!	Chrisley	Leah Remini	Street
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"LOOK, JOEY, THEY'RE TWEETIN'... OLD SCHOOL!"

THE FAMILY CIRCUS



NOTE: Seven-year-old Billy fills in this week with his own punny cartoons.

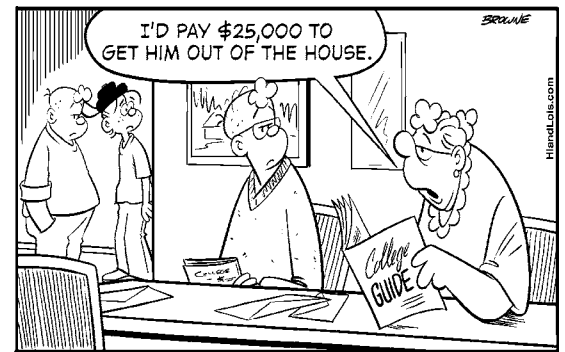
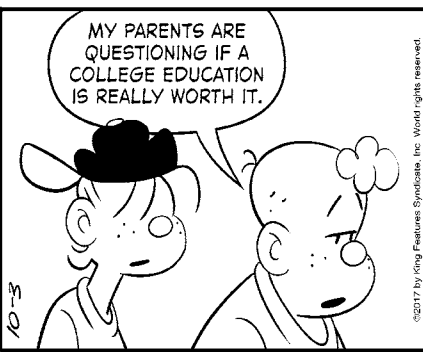
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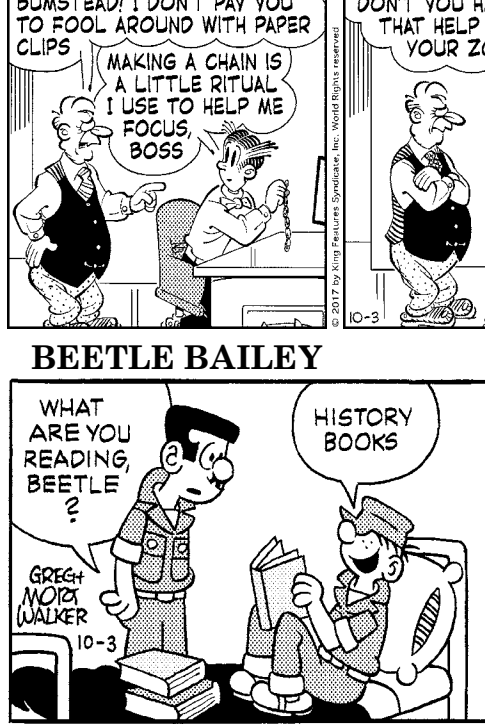
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This Date In History

Today is Tuesday, Oct. 3, the 276th day of 2017. There are 89 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History: On Oct. 3, 1967, folk singer-songwriter Woody Guthrie, the Dust Bowl Troubadour best known for "This Land Is Your Land," died in New York of complications from Huntington's disease; he was 55.

On this date:

In 1789, President George Washington declared Nov. 26, 1789, a day of Thanksgiving to express gratitude for the creation of the United States of America.

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday in November Thanksgiving Day.

In 1922, Rebecca L. Felton, D-Ga., became the first woman to be appointed to the U.S. Senate (however, she served only a day).

In 1932, Iraq became independent of British administration.

In 1941, Adolf Hitler declared in a speech in Berlin that Russia had been "broken" and would "never rise again." "The Maltese Falcon" — the version starring Humphrey Bogart and directed by John Huston — premiered in New York.

In 1951, the New York Giants captured the National League pennant by a score of 5-4 as Bobby Thomson hit a three-run homer off Ralph Branca of the Brooklyn Dodgers in the "shot heard 'round the world."

In 1962, astronaut Wally Schirra became the fifth American to fly in space as he blasted off from Cape Canaveral aboard the Sigma 7 on a 9-hour flight.

In 1974, Frank Robinson was named major league baseball's first black manager as he was placed in charge of the Cleveland Indians.

In 1981, Irish nationalists at the Maze Prison near Belfast, Northern Ireland, ended seven months of hunger strikes that had claimed 10 lives.

In 1992, Barack Obama married Michelle Robinson at the Trinity United Church of Christ in Chicago.

In 1995, the jury in the O.J. Simpson murder trial in Los Angeles found the former football star not guilty of the 1994 slayings of his former wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and Ronald Goldman (however, Simpson was later found liable for damages in a civil trial).

In 2008, O.J. Simpson was found guilty of robbing two sports-memorabilia dealers at gunpoint in a Las Vegas hotel

room. (Simpson was later sentenced to nine to 33 years in prison; he was granted parole in July 2017.)

Ten years ago: North Korea agreed to provide a complete list of its nuclear programs and disable its facilities at its main reactor complex by Dec. 31, 2007 (however, North Korea later said it would move to restore its nuclear reactor, saying the United States had failed to follow through with promised incentives). President George W. Bush quietly vetoed expansion of a children's health insurance program.

Five years ago: An aggressive Mitt Romney sparred with President Barack Obama on the economy and domestic issues in their first campaign debate. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton promised a full and transparent probe of the attack on the U.S. consulate in Benghazi, Libya, that killed the U.S. ambassador to Libya and three other Americans.

One year ago: The United States suspended diplomatic contacts with Russia over failed efforts to end the war in Syria while President Vladimir Putin put on hold a deal with the U.S. on disposing weapons-grade plutonium. Yoshinori Ohsumi of Japan won the Nobel Prize in medicine for illuminating how cells dispose of and recycle their garbage — research that might pay off in treatments for diseases like cancer, Parkinson's and Type 2 diabetes. President Barack Obama and actor Leonardo DiCaprio teamed up on the White House South Lawn for the "South by South Lawn" festival of technology and music to sound a call for urgent action to combat climate change.

Today's Birthdays: Composer Steve Reich is 81. Rock and roll star Chubby Checker is 76. Actor Alan Rachins is 75. Former Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., is 74. Magician Roy Horn is 73. Singer Lindsey Buckingham is 68. Jazz musician Ronnie Laws is 67. Blues singer Keb' Mo' is 66. Former astronaut Kathryn Sullivan is 66. Baseball Hall of Famer Winfield is 66. Baseball Hall of Famer Dennis Eckersley is 63. Civil rights activist Rev. Al Sharpton is 63. Actor Hart

Bochner is 61. Actor Peter Frechette is 61. World Golf Hall of Famer Fred Couples is 58. Actor-comedian Greg Proops is 58. Actor Jack Wagner is 58. Actor/musician Marcus Giamatti is 56. Rock musician Tommy Lee is 55. Actor Clive Owen is 53. Actress Janel Moloney is 48. Singer Gwen Stefani (steh-FAH'-nee) (No Doubt) is 48. Pop singer Kevin Richardson is 46. Rock singer G. Love is 45. Actress Keiko

Agena (KAY'-koh ah-GAYN'-ah) is 44. Actress Neve Campbell is 44. Actress Lena Headey (HEE'-dee) is 44. Singer India.Arie (ah-REE') is 42. Rapper Talib Kweli (tuh-LIB' kwah-LEE') is 42. Actress Alanna Ubach is 42. Actor Seann (cq) William Scott is 41. Actress Shannyn Sossamon is 39. Rock musician Josh Klinghoffer (Red Hot Chili Peppers) is 38. Actor Seth Gabel is 36. Rock musician Mark

King (Hinder) is 35. Actor Erik Von Detten is 35. Singer-musician Cherrill Green (Edens Edge) is 34. Actress Tessa Thompson is 34. Actress Meagan Holder is 33. Actress-singer Ashlee Simpson is 33. Rapper \$AP Rocky is 29. Actress Alicia Vikander (ah-LIH'-see-ah vih-KAN'-duhr) is 29. Actor Noah Schnapp (TV: "Stranger Things") is 13.

Thought for Today: "I hate a song that makes you think that

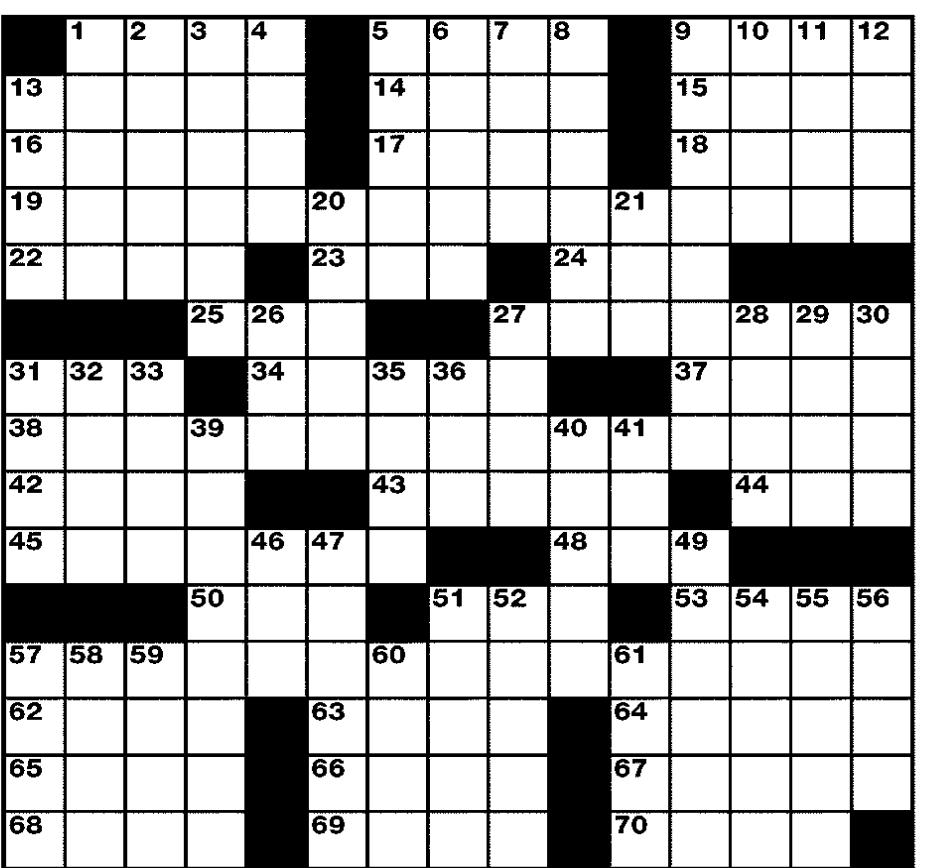
you are not any good. I hate a song that makes you think that you are just born to lose... Songs that run you down or poke fun at you on account of your bad luck or hard traveling. I am out to fight those songs to my very last breath of air and my last drop of blood." — Woody Guthrie (1912-1967).

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Newsday Crossword

COOL DESSERTS by Sally R. Stein Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS**
- 1 Quick scissor cut
 - 5 ___ mater (former school)
 - 9 Narrow cut
 - 13 Boulder
 - 14 Wander around
 - 15 Secret writing
 - 16 Stood up
 - 17 Money in Spain and France
 - 18 No longer happening
 - 19 Cool white dessert
 - 22 Hurricane centers
 - 23 Donkey
 - 24 Conk on the head
 - 25 Light touch on the shoulder
 - 27 Physician's client
 - 31 Hole-making tool
 - 34 Discourage
 - 37 A single time
 - 38 Cool dark-brown dessert
 - 42 Flat-topped hill
 - 43 Wedding cake tier
 - 44 ___ Diego, CA
 - 45 Everlasting
 - 48 Letters after ems
 - 50 Unruly crowd
 - 51 Writing tablet
 - 53 Helper: Abbr.
 - 57 Cool red dessert
 - 62 Absconded with
 - 63 Aroma
 - 64 Already dined
 - 65 Poker hand starter
 - 66 Digital TV recorder
 - 67 Zodiac ram
 - 68 Brewery product
- DOWN**
- 69 Slow-cooker meal
 - 70 ___ and rave (make a scene)
 - 13 Hold on to
 - 20 Sportcoat flap
 - 21 Rollaway bed
 - 26 "Without further ___ . . ."
 - 27 Bird of ___ (eagle or vulture)
 - 28 Concludes
 - 29 University sports org.
 - 30 Typical high schooler
 - 31 Apex
 - 32 Stimulate, as an appetite
 - 33 Be defeated
 - 35 Statuesque
 - 36 When a plane is due: Abbr.
 - 39 General Motors or Toyota
 - 40 Poorly maintained, as a hotel
 - 41 Large vase
 - 46 At present
 - 47 Heads of monasteries
 - 49 North African desert
 - 51 Show to be true
 - 52 ONE WAY sign shape
 - 54 Glossy sheet fabric
 - 55 Target shooting sport
 - 56 Hamilton's currency
 - 57 Wild guess
 - 58 Voicemail signal
 - 59 Repetitive learning method
 - 60 Revise, as a manuscript
 - 61 Char on a grill



Answer to previous puzzle

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RANGERS

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the Rangers missed the play-offs for the first time in manager Jeff Banister's three seasons:

HEALTHY HAMELS
Hamels ended the season healthy after missing more than seven weeks with a right oblique strain. He threw only 148 innings after seven consecutive years of at least 200 innings.

"You want to finish the season healthy. I think that's the case, and it's good to build off of that," Hamels said.

SOME NOTABLE NUMBERS

Odor was the first Ranger to play all 162 games since Michael Young and Mark Teixeira in 2006. Odor hit only .204 but had 30 home runs. ... Nomar Mazara's two-run single in his final at-

bat gave him 101 RBIs. Juan Gonzalez and Ruben Sierra are the only other Rangers with 100-RBI seasons at age 22 or younger. ... Andrus had career highs with 191 hits, 100 runs, 44 doubles, 20 homers and 88 RBIs.

GALLO GOING DEEP
With Beltre on the DL, Joey Gallo started the season as the everyday third baseman. The 23-year-old slugger remained in the majors all season playing third, first base and left field. His 41 homers ranked third in the AL.

SMALL PREVIEW
Willie Calhoun, the primary prospect the Rangers got back in the Darvish deal, hit .265 with a homer in 13 games after his September call-up. He finished with a five-game winning streak. Mainly a second baseman in the Dodgers organization, Calhoun also showed some progress playing left field.

DALLAS

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Prescott played only briefly and Elliott sat with a first-round playoff bye clinched.

There were bright moments for Prescott against the Rams, such as his duck-and-spin out of what looked like a sure sack for All-Pro defensive tackle Aaron Donald before an 18-yard throw to Dez Bryant, who had a season-high 98 yards receiving.

"He made a lot of plays for us, in the pocket, out of the pocket, throughout the game," coach Jason Garrett said. "He stood in there under some duress and made some throws. Having said that, the standard is high. And he did miss some throws."

Elliott matched the longest drought from his rookie season with his third straight game of less than 100 yards rushing. Last year's NFL rushing leader scored two touchdowns in the first half against the Rams and had 97 total yards at halftime: 56 rushing and 41 receiving.

But Elliott had just nine touches and 42 total yards after halftime the day before a federal appeals court heard arguments over the NFL's emergency request to lift an injunction that blocked the league's six-game suspension over domestic violence allegations in Ohio.

"I think we have an identity in what we want to do," tight end Jason Witten said.

"Just stay with the run game and what we're trying to do. Just overall, we have to be better at it. It's a team that understands it, what we're trying to get accomplished."

Even though Prescott and Elliott had won three straight games on the way to a franchise-record 11-game winning streak this time last year, the Cowboys were coming off a less-than-impressive showing against a San Francisco team headed for a 2-14 finish.

But two things are already different for Dallas. The Cowboys were never blown out last season like they were in Week 2 at Denver. And they never let leads get away without finding a way to win, which is what happened against the Rams.

"I think when people look at a team like ourselves and the success we had last year, they have obviously decided that, hey, we're going to make Dak beat us and we're going to stop their running game," executive vice president of personnel Stephen Jones said on his radio show Monday. "I think Dak will execute better as we move forward, not that he hasn't played really well. And I think as the season goes, we'll execute better. As that happens, I think you'll see some of the strength of our offense again. I have a lot of confidence that it's going to happen."

NFL

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Bills 23

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BILLS

PASS

T. Taylor

182 YDS, 1 TD

RUSH

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