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OPUC to host meeting here Thursday

Public utility advocate group to solicit residents' opinions on Sharyland, other issues

By STEVE REAGAN

Staff Writer

Area residents will have a chance to sound off about their public utility rates when the state Office of Public Utility Counsel hosts a in the Settles Hotel.

OPUC is an state organization designed to represent consumers in utility rate

Of particular interest to many area residents will be

which distributes electricity to much of Texas to Sharyland Utilities.

A growing group of rural residents in Howard County and surrounding areas have expressed extreme dissat-

meeting at 11 a.m. Thursday the possible sale of Oncor, isfaction with Sharyland, which took over providing electricity in those areas after it purchased Cap Rock Energy in 2010.

Nancy Raney, who, along with her husband, operates a

of Big Spring, says her family's electric bills have skyrocketed under Sharyland.

"Our monthly bill at the farm was typically \$3,000 to \$4,000 (under Cap Rock),"

Parade deadline extended

By AMANDA ELSTON

Managing Editor

The Big Spring Herald has extended its deadline for the annual Community Christmas Parade float entries until Friday, Nov. 20, Herald Publisher Rick Nunez an-

This year's parade, themed "A Charlie Brown Christmas", will take place on Saturday, Dec. 5, at 5:30 pm.

"This is something we do every year and we have a lot of fun doing it," Nunez said. "The entire community comes out, some even from out of town."

According to Nunez and senior advertising executive Angela Lance, the Herald has about 30 floats currently entered in the parade as of Tuesday.

"Make sure your floats are very well lit," said Lance. "By the time the parade starts,



File photo

The annual Big Spring Herald Community Christmas Parade will be held Dec. 5.

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Chamber's annual toy drive picking up steam, officials say

BY LYNDEL MOODY

Staff Writer

Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce officials are hoping to once again to fill the office to the brim with unwrapped toys for their annual Christmas Toy Drive.

Already under way, the annual drive assists three local organizations in their efforts to distribute toys to area children who many not receive a gift on Christmas day.

"The organizations work with hand out the gifts at different times in December," said Debbye ValVerde, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce executive director. "We would like people to turn in the toys by early December, so we can get it to these organizations in time."

The chamber will be accepting new, unwrapped gifts for children ages two to 18 through Dec. 9. Toys can be brought to the Chamber office during business hours Mon-

"The organizations we work with hand out the gifts at different times in December. We would like people to turn in the toys by early December, so we can get it to these organizations in time."

> Debbye ValVerde Chamber executive director

day through Friday at 215 W. Third St. Monetary donations will also be accepted and used to purchase toys for the drive, ValVerde said.

"It's for all ages," she ex-

plained. "Do remember that Salvation Army does have an age limit so some of these siblings with older brothers and sisters, the older kids don't get a gift. We would love for people to keep that in mind and purchase gifts for some of these teenagers."

Once collected, the toys will be evenly distributed to the following organizations, Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA), Cossacks Motorcycle Club-Permian Chapter and the Salvation Army. "In the past, we have had

different businesses that have opted not to have a Christmas party but donate the money to us or shop for toys," ValVerde said. For more information about

the toy drive, contact the Chamber at 432-263-7641. Contact Staff Writer Lyndel

Moody at 432-263-7331, ext. 234, or by e-mail at citydesk@ bigspringherald.com.

GEO sets drills for Thursday

By AMANDA ELSTON

Managing Editor

Thursday morning, GEO's Cedar Hill prison facility will be conducting training and drills from 8 a.m.-noon. Airpark, Flightline, and Interstate staff and employees will be participating as

"We will be conducting training and drills for our staff, local law enforcement and fire department, and EMS to participate in," Warden Ty Baxter said.

Authorities in orange vests will be strategically placed in different areas throughout Big Spring to inform the public of what is going on.

"We will have checkpoints throughout the community with authorities

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Funeral services for Eddie Gene Mann, 88, of Big Spring, Texas, will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, Nov. 19, 2015, at Trinity Baptist Church, with the Rev. Randy Cotton officiating. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

Eddie went home to be with the Lord on Monday, Nov. 16, 2015.

Mr. Mann was born in Rosebud, Falls County, Texas, on Sept. 5. 1927. He was the only child of William Edward and

Ruthie Pearl Mann. Eddie had been a resident of the Big Spring area since 1931, when he moved with his parents to Scurry County.

Mr. Mann joined the U.S. Navy as a young man and served during WWII. Following his service, he lived in Vincent, Texas, where he was a farmer and owned a grocery store. He was also a plant operator at the Reef Fields gasoline plant in Vealmoor, Texas. Later in life, he owned and operated Action Auction. Mr. Mann was an active member of Trinity Baptist Church of Big Spring, Texas.

Obituaries

Eddie is survived by his wife, Judy Mann; and seven children, Charlotte Burson and her husband, John, of Big Spring, Eddie Gene Mann Jr. and his wife, Kay, of Fort Worth, Nancy Rich and her husband, Richard, of Coahoma, Ikey Morgan of Big Spring, Tommy Morgan and his wife, Geneva, of Big Spring, Kim Garrett of Big Spring and Serena Anderson and her husband, Gary, of Sand Springs. He is beloved "Papa" to 14 grandchildren, 21 greatgrandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

Eddie was preceded in death by his parents, William Edward and Ruthie Pearl (Allen) Mann.

The family will receive friends at Myers & Smith Funeral Home on Wednesday evening from 5 to 7

The family would like to thank Compass Hospice of Big Spring, especially Angie, Amanda, and Ms. B, for their exceptional care of our loved one in the last few days of his life.

Tributes and memorials may be made to Trinity Baptist building fund.

Arrangements under the direction of Myers & Smith Funeral Home & Chapel. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Paid obituary

Lanette Beal



Lanette Augusta Beal, 89, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2015. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 18, 2015, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring. Graveside services will be 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, 2015 at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park.

She was born Feb. 21, 1926, in Weir, Texas, to Walter and Ida Zenkner. Lanette married Roland L. Beal Sr. April

23, 1951. She was a homemaker who enjoyed gardening and loving on her grandchildren. She was a Lutheran. Lanette was preceded in death by her

parents; one sister, Beatrice Hohhertz; two brothers, Charles Zenkner and Manfred Zenkner; and one infant great-grandson.

She is survived by her husband of 64 years, Roland Texas at a Glance Beal of Big Spring; one brother, Kenneth Zenkner and wife, Laquita, of Grand Saline; one son, Roland Beal Jr. and wife, Pam, of Midland; one daughter, Theresa Sterling and husband, Jimmy, of Vincent; six grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be made to Home Hospice, 111 E. 7th St., Ste. A, Big Spring, Texas

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences may be made at: www. npwelch.com

Paid obituary

Raymond Noble

Raymond Roger Noble, 72, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Nov. 12, 2015, at his residence. Memorial services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 19, 2015, at Canterbury South at 1700 S. Lancaster.

He was a Vietnam veteran and served eight years Robins, of Nevada.

in the United States Air Force.

Raymond was born Aug. 29, 1943, in Rock Springs, Wyo. and married Clara Elliott Aug. 16, 1988 in

He is survived by his wife, Clara Sue Noble of Big Spring; and two children, Gina Marie and John

Police/Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following ac-

• JACOB ANDREW HILARIO, 18, of 1604 Lark St. was arrested on warrant from other agencies.

• RUBEN ORTIZ JR., 23, of 602 Steakley was arrested on warrants for driving while license invalid and failure to appear.

 ANDRES ANTHONY DUENES JR., 20, of 1811 Settles St. was arrested on a warrant from another agency.

• MAURICIO GARCIA HER-NANDEZ JR., 20, of 409 S. Aylesford St. was arrested on warrants for safety seat system child, ages eight or less than 49 inches tall; bail jumping/failure to appear/ fine only (three counts); and six warrants from other agencies.

• RONNIE EUGENE LEAL, 26, of 1408 S. Birdwell was arrested on charges of evading arrest/ detention with vehicle or watercraft; resisting arrest, search or transport and driving while license suspended/invalid with previous conviction.

• MICHELLE RENEE BRADE-LY, 33, of 1607 Canary St., was arrested on a charge of theft of property, less than \$100 — shoplifting.

- MIGUEL ENRIGUEZ JUAR-EZ, 22, of 306 Denton was arrested on four warrants from other agencies
- CRIMINAL MISCHIEF was reported in the 5000 block of Was-
- THEFT was reported in the 300 block of W. FM 818, the 200 block of W. FM 700 and the 1100 block of E. 12th.
- DOMESTIC DISTURBANCE was reported in the 1500 block of Oriole, the 600 block of Caylor and the 1700 block of Purdue.
- · MINOR ACCIDENT was reported in the area of Sixth and State streets.
- DISTURBANCE was reported in the area of 15th and Birdwell streets.

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

Note — Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 63 inmates at the time of this report.

• PHILLIP WAYNE BEEBE, 43, was booked by the BSPD on CA-PIAS/fail to maintain financial responsibility.

- MICHELLE RENEE BRAD-LEY, 33, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of theft of property, National Cities less than \$100 — shoplifting.
- ANDRES ANTHONY DUENES JR., 20, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for harassment.
- MAURICIO GARCIA HER-NANDEZ, 39, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for driving while license invalid, no liability insurance, violate promise to appear, speeding - 82 miles per hour in a 75 miles per hour zone; violate promise to appear (two counts), failure to appear (three counts), and safety seat systemchild, age 8 or less than 49 inches tall.
- JACOB ANDREW HILARIO, 18, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for no driver's license when unlicensed and violate promise to appear.
- EUGENE RONNIE LEAL, 25, was booked by the BSPD on charges of evading arrest/detention with vehicle or watercraft, resisting arrest, search or transportation, and driving while license invalid previous conviction.

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Valentin Luera

Valentin Luera, 80, of Big Spring died Tuesday, Nov. 17, 2015. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

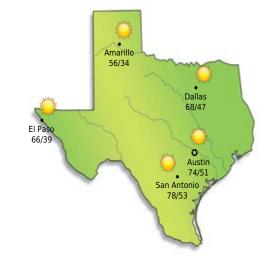
Gilbert Puga

Gilbert Puga, 19, of Big Spring died Monday, Nov. 16, 2015 in Lubbock. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Trinidad Contreras Jr. Trinidad Contreras Jr. 51, of Big Spring died Tues-

day, Nov. 17, 2015 in a local nursing home. Service are pending with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory.

Local 5-Day Forecast						
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Brownsville	80 62 M Cloudy	Lufkin	69 45 Sunny
Brownwood	70 42 Clear	Midland	69 43 Clear
Corpus Christi	77 59 Sunny	Raymondville	81 59 P Cloudy
Corsicana	67 47 Sunny	Rosenberg	75 51 Sunny
Dallas	69 46 Clear	San Antonio	76 51 Clear
Del Rio	74 47 Clear	San Marcos	74 48 Sunny
El Paso	62 38 Clear	Sulphur Springs	65 46 Sunny
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Denver	47 21 P Cloudy	San Francisco	67 51 M Cloudy	
Houston	54 37 Cloudy	Seattle	49 42 P Cloudy	
Los Angeles	78 54 P Cloudy	Saint Louis	59 42 P Cloudy	
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Chamber of Commerce, Howard College, and relatives of the late Dr. Charles Warren gathered at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum to formally dedicate Charlie's Den, a room honoring Warren, a long-time college trustee who died recently.

ation. She said she and

others have been in

OPUC

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Raney said. "Now, it's jumped to \$5,000 to \$6,000. At our home, the (monthly) bill has gone from \$300 to \$750

to \$1,000. Something is really wrong here ... We're paying double to triple than (customers of other energy provid-

Beginning in April, Raney and others started a campaign to raise awareness of their situ-

constant contact with OPUC and the state Public Utilities Commission in an effort to halt and even reverse her rising electricity bills. Raney sees Thurs-

day's OPUC meeting as

ness on this issue," Raney said. "We also want to convince OPUC that we need their representation. We needed them to be our advocate

the next step in that pro-

do is raise public aware-

"What we're hoping to

chased Cap Rock) and they weren't, and this is what happened."

(when Sharyland pur-

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PARADE

it will be dark and we want people to see all the floats. Outlining your float in lights is encouraged."

The parade, which lasts about an hour and a half and runs north on Scurry Street from 24th to Fourth, will be

bleweed Smith" Lewis, Scenic Mountain Medical Center CEO Emma Krabill,and Howard County Sheriff Stan Parker.

judged by Bob "Tum-

"Each float will need to put the number they are assigned on the left hand side of their float so the judges can see it," Nunez said. "If your

number, it will not be judged."

In the past, participants such as the Big Spring High School band, The Dance Gallery, HEB, and Western Container Corporation have entered floats. According to the parade entry form, individuals, families, schools, and commercial businesses float does not have an are welcome to partici-

pate.

First, second, and third place winners will be chosen and announced in the Herald on Monday, Dec. 7.

"The Herald encourages everyone to submit their entries as soon as possible either by email advertising@bigspringherald.com, walk in, or by phone at 263-7331," said Nunez.

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- RAYMOND EARL OVERTON, 36, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for operate unregistered motor vehicle, driving while license invalid, violate promise to appear (two counts), no seat belt-passenger, and failure to appear.
- CLETE MATTHEW STONE, 32, was booked by the HCSO on warrants for bondsman off bond theft of property, more than or equal to \$500 but less than \$1,500; criminal trespass; theft of property, more than or equal to \$50 but less than \$500; and theft of property, more than or equal to \$500.

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Guadalupe "Chino" Hilario, 64, died Sunday. Funeral service will be at 10:00 AM Wednesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Eddie Mann, 88, died Monday. The family will receive friends from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM Wednesday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Service will be at 11:00 AM Thursday at Trinity Baptist Church with burial at Trinity Memorial Park.

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DRILLS

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holding signs with information about how to conduct yourself if you encounter an escaped inmate," said Baxter. "We are placing these in areas that inmates would have to drive through in order to leave town."

According to Baxter, Thursday will be an opportunity to train staff as well the local fire department, sheriff and police department, EMS, and public for different scenarios such as fires or missing prison inmates.

"We just want the community to know what is

going on and that this is just a drill," said Bax-

The drill was originally planned for Oct. 22, but was postponed due to rain.

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Words have power

ne of the biggest problems we face today is people in authority and leadership using words in a man-

ner that is nothing if not "confusion of fact and opinion," which can be simply defined as a misuse of evidence in persuasive speaking in which personal opinions are offered as though they were objective facts, or facts are dismissed as though they were mere opinion.



PRINCE

I give this misuse of the gift of language such a lofty position of importance based on the flood of newscasts and articles being imposed upon Americans today that present us with nothing more than a talking head's viewpoint or opinion, usually with facts being deemed irrelevant if it hinders the speaker's desired outcome or effect.

Words, simple combinations of letters, have just that much power, and they always have. Throughout history, words have had as much power as the sword. Words shape ideas and give them form; our ideas shape our deeds and give them meaning.

Over two hundred years ago Edmund Burke wrote that words are an expression of our passions and have more power than any other art form. He believed words are the most powerful force on earth because they communicate ideas more effectively than any other form of expres-

Words have always been the kindling and the continued energy that fuel our actions. Revolutions have begun with words, men have been stirred to battle by words, and dictators have manipulated whole countries by words, creating the vilest justifications for the annihilation of millions.

Words give testimony and sway juries and send people to their deaths. Words are so powerful that the U.S. Supreme Court has even weighed in on their restriction — perhaps nowhere as famously as in the case of Schenck v. U.S., when Chief Justice Holmes emphatically stated that no one has a right to cry fire in a crowded theatre and cause panic.

The use of words is one of the most valued commodities of our species, a hallmark of our humanity, and perhaps the singularly most distinct difference between man and animals. It is absolutely indisputable that words possess immeasurable power to shape individuals as well as history. We are witnessing that in the present as media outlets and the spokesmen for our government are shaping public opinion and even affecting actions that are legally and constitutionally questionable. And it's all being done with words, some passive and some inciting. But all powerful. In the English vocabulary,

there are words that can change the entire context of a sentence, a conversation, even the outcome of an entire situation. Take, for instance, the word "nevertheless". It can change a positive situation to a negative one. If you happen to know the Bible account of the twelve spies from each of the tribes of Israel that were sent by Moses to evaluate the land God had promised them, you might remember the power of that one word. In the account in Numbers 13, all twelve spies saw the same things; amazing fruit and vegetables, a land flowing with "milk and honey", and so much more that defied description. Two of the spies, Joshua and Caleb, gave a glowing report and enthusiastically implored the Israelites to go possess the land that was theirs by God's promise. But ten of the spies gave the report that, while the "Promised Land" was indeed all you could possibly imagine and more, "nevertheless" there were also giants in the land. They did not believe it was possible for them to take the land and their negative report was the influence that caused the children of Israel to wander in the wilderness until the unbelieving generation died off.

Yet, when one reads the fifth chapter of the Gospel according to Luke in the New Testament, we see the same word used to transform a negative situation into a positive one.

Simon Peter was an accomplished fisherman by trade and he and his partners had been fishing all night, without any success. They were on the shore, mending and cleaning their nets in preparation for

the next day's endeavor, when Jesus approached them. After entering Peter's boat and taking some time to do a little teaching, he told Peter to cast his nets for a catch. Peter, predictably, told the Lord they had fished all night and had caught nothing. But Peter, knowing who he was talking to, said, "Nevertheless, at Your word, I will." The nets were so full that Peter had to call for another boat to assist in pulling in the bounty.

Isn't it amazing how much difference one word can make? We understand what it means to "give our word" and pledge on our honor to speak the truth. We use words to convey our patriotism to our country and, of course, we worship our God with words, whether spoken publicly or whispered in our hearts. Words convey love and build trust. They also shape character and tender hearts; certainly we know our words shape our children and if we are wise we choose them carefully. We know our words offend and that is why we sometimes bite our tongues. We choose them well when we interview for jobs. People have been soothed and comforted by words. Words have the power to

mend and heal. A Greek Philosopher asked his servant to provide the best dish possible. The servant prepared a dish of tongue, saying, "It is the best of all dishes, because with it we may bless and communicate happiness, dispel sorrow, remove despair, cheer the faint hearted, inspire the discouraged, and say a hundred other things to uplift mankind.' Later the philosopher asked his servant to provide the worst dish of which he could think. A dish of tongue appeared on the table. The servant said, "It is the worst, because with it we may curse and break human hearts; destroy reputations; promote discord and strife; set families, communities, and nations at war

with each other." Choose your words with caution and discretion because they

have great power. You may not agree with anything I've said, but I column as I

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A sickening setback for Obama take out these

bastards? CNN's Jim Acosta bluntly asked Presi-

dent Obama at a Monday press conference at the Group of 20 summit in Turkey. "These bastards," of course, are the Islamic

State — at least for Acosta. As Obama called Friday's attacks in Paris that left at least 129 dead a "sickening setback," he saw no need to reset his Syrian policy.

Obama has been in a state of denial about the Islamic State. In 2014, the president famously told The

New Yorker that the Islamic State, also known as ISIS and in Arabic, Daesh, was a "JV team" that might dress like the Lakers but would never match Kobe Bryant. The day before the Paris attacks, Obama told ABC the Islamic State was "contained" in Iraq and Syria. His cardinal sin, however, is

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not a poor choice of words, but his failure to cut a deal with Iraq to leave U.S. troops behind after 2011. By not leaving behind a force

that could douse hot spots as needed, the administration created a safe zone for al-Qaida and its offshoots. That void enabled the Islamic State to seize Iraqi

It's no wonder Obama wants

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the United States to take in some Syrian refugees — he helped create them.

At Saturday night's CBS Demo-

cratic debate, moderator John Dickerson asked Hillary Rodham Clinton if as secretary of state, she shared Obama's legacy of underestimating ISIS. Clinton deftly tossed the blame for the decision to withdraw all U.S. troops from Iraq onto President George W. Bush. "We abided by the agreement" Bush signed with Iraq in 2008, she said, to withdraw all U.S. troops by Dec. 31, 2011. As the Washington Post Fact Checker noted, there was some expectation, however, that Baghdad ultimately would agree to terms that would have allowed some U.S. troops to stay — but the Obama administration did not offer terms conducive to a deal.

Obama told reporters that it is easy for GOP presidential candidates to use "bellicose" language — they don't have to go to Walter Reed Army hospital, as he has done, and look in the eye

U.S. troops severely wounded in

battles he ordered. Therefore, Obama concluded, "I can't afford to play some of the political

games that others make.' I respect that sentiment. I also understand that whatever course a president takes, there will be victims who have to pay the price. There is no risk-free path.

The problem with Obama is that he will send troops into harm's way — just enough troops to quiet his critics, but not necessarily enough make sure their sacrifices pay off. He ordered a surge of troops in Afghanistan, which was needed, but undercut their ability to prevail and emboldened the enemy when he simultaneously announced he would begin to withdraw them in 2011.

Many Democrats never will fully trust Clinton because she voted to go to war in Iraq. Saturday night she again called the U.S. invasion of Iraq a "mistake" — and that's supposed to square her with primary voters. As one who supported that war, I cannot trust Clinton because she voted to go to war, then abandoned the mission when it hurt her chances of winning the White House. Clinton obviously has determined that resolve is optional.

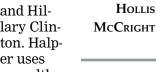
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his is Biography Week: I will go from a high-powered political couple, to a movie star who survived the Black List in Hollywood, a country vet, and finally two families, one white and one black who share the same name.

"Clinton, Inc.: The Audacious

Rebuilding of a Political Machine' (B CLI) by Daniel Halper is, about Bill and Hil



of research, exclusive documents and detailed interviews with close friends, allies, and enemies of the Clintons to reveal the strategy they used and the deals they made to turn their political fortunes around.

"Clinton, Inc." exposes the relationship between President Obama, the Bush family and the Clintons and what it means for the future, how Bill and Hillary are laying the groundwork for the upcoming presidential campaign, how Vice President Biden and other Democrats are trying to maneuver around Hilary, Chelsea's political future, the Clintons' skillful media management, the Clintons' marriage and why it has survived and an inside look at the Clinton's financial backers and hidden corporate enterprises. This is a very readable book about a family who may have one of our future

Lee Grant began life as Lyova Haskell Rosenthal in New York City and spent her youth accumulating more experiences than most people have in a lifetime — from student at the famed Neighborhood Playhouse to member of

female presidents with-

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the legendary Actors Studio, from celebrated Broadway star to Vogue "It Girl." At age 24, she was nominated for an Academy Award for "Detective Story," and a year later found herself married and a mother for the first time, her career on the rise. Then it all fell to noth-

ing. Her name landed on the Hollywood blacklist, her offers for film and television roles ground to a halt, and her marriage fell apart. Grant took action against anti-Communist witch hunts in the arts. She threw herself into work, accepting every theater or teaching job that came her way. Set amid the New York theater scene of the '50s and the starstudded parties of Malibu in the '70s, "I Said Yes to Everything' (B GRA L) by Lee Grant evokes a world of political passion with movie-

star glamour. Never Turn Your Back on an Angus Cow: My Life as a Country Vet" (B POL J): Dr. Jan Pol is not your usual vet. He has been treating every kind of animal, from white mice to 2,600-pound horses and everything in between.

Pol doesn't depend on fancy machines, but on old-fashioned medicine which usually means getting messy and dirty. This is "All Things Bright and Beautiful," except it is in Michigan and his career started in the 1970s. Be sure to watch his show on National Geographic Wild channel "The Incredible Dr.

Pol". "Tomlinson Hill" (B TOM C) by Chris Tomlinson is the stunning story of two families one white, one black, who trace their roots to

a slave plantation that

bears their name. Known internationally for his work as a fearless war correspondent, award-winning journalist Chris Tomlinson grew up hearing stories about his family's aban-

doned cotton plantation in Falls County, Texas. Most of the tales lion-Get Smart about your coverage options and



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ized his white ancestors for pioneering along the Brazos River. His grandfather often said the family's slaves loved them so much that they also took Tomlinson as their last LaDainian Tom-

linson, football great

and former running back for the San Diego Chargers, spent part of his childhood playing on the same land that his black ancestors had worked as slaves. As a child, LaDainian believed the Hill was named after his family. Not until he was old enough to read an historical plaque did he realize that the Hill was named for his

ancestor's slave-

holders. A masterpiece of authentic American history, "Tomlinson Hill" traces the true and very revealing story of these two families. From the beginning in 1854, when the first Tomlinson, a white woman, arrived, to 2007 when the last Tomlinson, LaDainian's father, left, the book unflinchingly explores the history of race and bigotry in

Texas. Along the way it also manages to disclose a great many untruths that are latent in the unsettling and complex story of America. "Tomlinson Hill" is also the basis for a film and an interactive web project. The award-winning film, which airs on PBS, concentrates on present-day Marlin, Texas and how the community struggles with poverty and the legacy of race today,

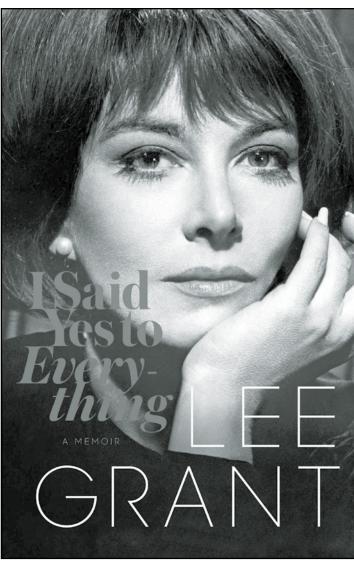
and is accompanied by

an interactive web site called Voice of Marlin,

which stores the oral histories collected along the way.

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News in brief

2 dead, 7 arrested in raid targeting Paris attack mastermind

SAINT-DENIS, France (AP) — Amid gunfire and explosions, police raided a suburban Paris apartment where the suspected mastermind of last week's attacks was believed to be holed up Wednesday. The siege ended with two deaths and seven arrests but no clear information on his fate. The dead were a woman who blew herself up with

an explosive vest and a man hit by projectiles and grenades at the end of the raid, which began before dawn and continued for more than seven hours at the apartment building in the Paris suburb of Saint-Denis. Paris prosecutor Francois Molins said the raid

was launched after information from tapped telephone conversations, surveillance and witness accounts indicated that the suspected attacks planner, Abdelhamid Abaaoud, might be in a safe house in the district.

Authorities could not immediately confirm whether Abaaoud, a Belgian Islamic State militant, was killed or arrested Wednesday morning.

Abaaoud was believed to be in Syria after a January police raid in Belgium, but bragged in Islamic State propaganda of his ability to move back and forth between Europe and Syria undetected.

A look at presumed Paris mastermind targeted in police raid

SAINT-DENIS, France (AP) — The presumed mastermind of last week's devastating attacks in Paris once bragged about being so slippery he could move undetected between Syria and Belgium, his home country. On Wednesday he was targeted in a police operation in Paris.

Explosions and gunfire rang out as French police stormed a building in the Paris suburb of Saint-Denis where Abdelhamid Abaaoud was believed to be hiding, a senior police official told The Associated Press. Authorities said a woman blew herself up and a man was killed. Seven people were arrested. Police did not identify them.

The official was not authorized to be publicly named according to police rules, but is informed about the operation.

On Monday, French authorities identified Abaaoud, the child of Moroccan immigrants who grew up in the Belgian capital's multiethnic Molenbeek neighborhood, as the presumed mastermind of last Friday's attacks that killed 129 people and wounded over 350. He also is believed to have links to earlier attacks that were thwarted: one against a Paris-bound high-speed train that was foiled by three young Americans in August, and the other against a church in the French capital's suburbs.

Once a happy-go-lucky student at one of Brussels' most prestigious high schools, Saint-Pierre d'Uccle, Abaaoud morphed into Belgium's most notorious jihadi, a zealot so devoted to holy war that he recruited his 13-year-old brother to join him in

US Muslims face backlash after Paris attacks

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Muslims around the U.S. are facing backlash following the deadly attacks in Paris, including vandalism to mosques and Islamic centers, hate-filled phone and online messages and threats of violence.

Advocacy leaders say they have come to expect some anti-Muslim sentiment following such attacks, but they now see a spike that seems notable, stirred by anti-Muslim sentiment in the media.

"The picture is getting increasingly bleak," said Ibrahim Hooper, a spokesman for the Washington, D.C.-based Council on American-Islamic Relations. "There's been an accumulation of anti-Islamic rhetoric in our lives and that I think has triggered these overt acts of violence and vandalism.'

He said the rise in the level of anti-Muslim sentiment is reflected by some GOP presidential candidates, governors and others speaking out in opposition to the U.S. accepting more Syrian refugees.

Hooper said the council is seeing an increase in anti-Muslim incidents since Friday's attacks in Paris that killed 129 people and wounded more than

Xi says China will keep economic growth on track

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — Chinese President Xi Jinping on Wednesday sought to reassure re-

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In a speech to a business conference on the sidelines of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit, Xi said China is committed to overhauling its economy and raising the living standards of

China's growth fell to a six-year low of 6.8 percent in the latest quarter as Beijing tries to shift the economy away from reliance on trade and investment. The slowdown, which has been unfolding for several years, has rippled around the world, crimping growth in countries such as South Korea and Australia that were big exporters to China. Xi acknowledged that China's vital signs are a

concern and that it is facing "difficulties and challenges." But he also alluded to the fact China is growing much faster than Western countries even "China's positive economic fundamentals and

long term trajectory remain unchanged," he said. "China's economy has strong resilience, great potential and ample room for maneuvering.'

No threat found on both diverted flights from US to Paris SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Authorities cleared

both Air France flights bound for Paris from the U.S. that had to be diverted Tuesday night because of anonymous threats received after they had taken

Air France Flight 65 from Los Angeles International Airport to Charles de Gaulle Airport in Paris was diverted to Salt Lake City International Airport, Air France said in a statement. At about the same time a second flight, Air France 55, took off from Dulles International Airport outside Washington and was diverted to Halifax on Canada's East Coast, officials said.

Passengers got off both planes safely and were taken to terminals.

American authorities investigated and found no credible threat, according to an FBI statement released late Tuesday night.

The Royal Canadian Mounted Police said investigators found no evidence of an explosive device after they searched the plane and luggage.

Opaque military justice system shields child sex abuse cases

WASHINGTON (AP) — Child sex offenders are the largest category of inmates in U.S. military prisons, yet a full accounting of their crimes and how much time they're actually locked up for is shielded by an opaque system of justice, an Associated Press investigation has found.

Of the 1,233 inmates confined in the military's prison network, 61 percent were convicted of sex crimes, according to the latest available data, obtained through the federal open records law. Children were the victims in over half of those cases.

Since the beginning of this year alone, service members victimized children in 133 out of 301 sex

crime convictions, with charges ranging from to distributing child pornography.

Child sex assaults in the military have received scant attention in Washington, where Congress and the Defense Department have focused largely on preventing and prosecuting adult-on-adult sex crimes.

Daniel E. DeSmit, a Marine Corps chief warrant officer, spent at least \$36,000 viewing and producing child pornography over the span of six years. In emails examined by Navy criminal investigators, DeSmit described his preference for sex with prepubescent girls as

"the best experience."

Narrowing rift, US and Russia entertain cooperation in Syria MOSCOW (AP) — In a striking shift, President

Putin are embarking on a tentative path toward closer ties and possible military cooperation, as the bitter rift over Ukraine gives way to common cause against the Islamic State group. After weeks of accusing Moscow of trying to prop up Syrian President Bashar Assad by bombing U.S.-backed rebels, Obama changed his tune

Barack Obama and Russian President Vladimir

on Wednesday, praising Putin as a "constructive partner" in a nascent diplomatic effort to resolve Syria's civil war. Putin, too, has issued conciliatory signals, softening his tone about the U.S. and calling for the U.S. and Russia to "stand together" against the extremist threat. Speaking on the sidelines of a summit in the Phil-

ippines, Obama even raised the prospect of military coordination with Russia — a possibility that has seemed remote ever since the U.S. cut off military ties last year over Moscow's actions in Ukraine. "If we get a better understanding with Russia about the process for bringing an end to the Syr-

ian civil war," he said, "that obviously opens up more opportunities for coordination with respect to ISIL." He was using an alternative acronym for the extremist group.

Obama suggested that Russia might be reorienting its military campaign in Syria toward IS targets following the downing of a Russian jet in Egypt — a step the president said "we very much want to see."

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91-63 to San Angelo Lakeview Big Spring Steers fall

BY TAYLOR ELLIS

Sports Editor

Tuesday night was the first chance to see first-year Big Spring basketball head coach Nicholas Tyerman in charge. Unfortunately for coach Tyerman and Steer nation, they ran into a buzz saw in San Angelo Lakeview.

The Chiefs showed active hands and great defensive awareness forcing a multitude of Big Spring turnovers throughout the night. Despite

facing a tough Lakeview defense, the Steers continued to battle and improve as the

"I'm very proud of the boys because they kept fighting and never let down," Tyerman said.

game progressed.

The offense picked up in the fourth quarter as the Steers scored a team-high 25 points in the final frame.

"Right now what we are trying to do offensively is run the dribble drive. It's been successful for me in the past as an assistant. I believe

we have the ability to do it, we just need to get the reps in," Tyerman said.

The dribble drive offense was difficult as well due to the size of the Chiefs in the frontcourt. The turnovers allowed Lakeview to run and score fastbreak points, but in the halfcourt set the Steers did a satisfactory job.

Lakeview is an older squad with proven play makers like Timothy Aguero, who scored a game-high 30 points. Big Spring, on the other hand, are trying to overcome assimilating to a new coach and a lack of experience.

"Right now I've got two or three kids with

varsity experience and young guys at the guard position. You have to have good guard play to be successful. It's a learning experience and we are going take advantage of those mistakes we saw out there tonight and get better," Tyerman said.

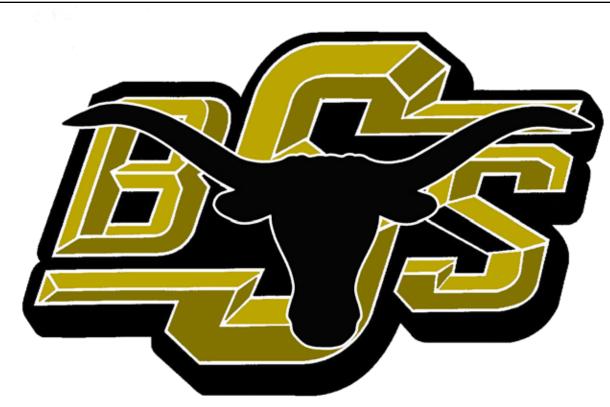
Seniors Kameron Cooper and Kolton Knudson led the team with 13 points. Junior Jeremiah Rushin finished with 10 points and a teamhigh six rebounds.

Despite the unfavorable result, Big Spring showed high energy and effort throughout the game, which coach Tyerman hopes to be a calling card going forward.

"The result doesn't matter, it's about that perfect effort and energy."

Big Spring will travel to Abilene High on Saturday. Varsity will play at 3:00 p.m.

Taylor Ellis is the sports editor and can be contacted at 263-7331, etx.237, or by sports@bigspringherald. com.



Lady Buffs fall short in overtime against Seagraves

BY TAYLOR ELLIS

Sports Editor

Forsan girl's basketball lost 53-45 in overtime at an away game to Seagraves Tuesday night.

Sophomore Jenna Evans led all scorers with 13. Kaylee Kemper had 12, and Rhian Cunningham poured in nine.

"This was an excellent game for our kids to experience before district. The season is only one week in, and we've already played six very tough, physical games," head coach Lindsey Schmidt said.

Minarez of Seagraves was on fire in the first field goals. Forsan held her to 2 points in the 2nd half of regulation with some excellent defense.

"We started out a little slow on the road, but I'm so impressed with

half with 16 points all in how well the girls ral-foul line, but those are lied and played together to come back and compete," Schmidt said. "We need to start off the games as well as we've been ending them and shoot better from the

all things that we will get ironed out in the coming weeks."

The JV squad won 32-28. Sterling Freedman led all scorers with 10

Lady Steers earn first victory over Stanton 45-37

BY TAYLOR ELLIS

Sports Editor

Big Spring girl's basketball traveled to Stanton Tuesday night, and got rid of their goose egg in the W column with a 45-37 victory.

Senior Diamonique Mayes dominated the game posting a doubledouble with 12 points and 17 rebounds, including 15 defensive boards. Mayes shot 6-of-8 from the field, and added five steals.

Kiana Ramsey also posted double digits with 10 points. Ramsey also added six rebounds.

Kaylie Penny continues to show off her development as a freshman with eight points on 3-of-5 shooting and tallied six boards. She on defense, nabbing 14 also made a visit to the charity stripe where she was 2-of-2.

aggressiveness of the Varsity level, and is becoming more comfort-

percentage.

shot 4-of-6 from the free throw line for a teamhigh four points from the charity stripe. Edrebounds, including a team-high two on the offensive end.

steals off of Stanton.

Coach Stacy Smalley's young squad now sits at Penny is continuing to 1-2 on the season. One adjust to the speed and of the main differences between the wins and losses has been the play

of senior leader Mayes. Coach Smalley has been challenging Mayes to do more since the first game of the season. Mayes has answered the challenge by improving in each game of the season so far. She has an ability to change the game on both ends

of the court. The Lady Steers will wards also added six look to grow their winning streak Friday when they travel to Andrews. The Varsity squad will

Local Sports Calendar

TODAY, NOV. 18

Women's basketball — Howard College at Ranger College, 5:30 p.m.

Men's basketball — Howard College at Ranger College, 7:30 p.m. FRIDAY, NOV. 20

Women's basketball — Howard College at Weatherford College, 5:30 p.m. Men's basketball — Howard College at Weatherford College, 7:30 p.m.

Girls' basketball — Big Spring at Andrews, 9,JV,V-4:30.6.7:30 p.m.

Girls' basketball — Forsan vs. Winters, 6:30 p.m. SATURDAY, NOV. 21

Women's basketball — Howard College at Hill College, 2:00 p.m.

Men's basketball — Howard College at Cedar Valley College, 2:30 p.m.

Boy's basketball— Big Spring at Abilene High, 3:00

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Scoreboard

NBA Monday's Games Dallas 92, Philadelphia 86 Chicago 96, Indiana 95 Memphis 122, Oklahoma City 114

San Antonio 93, Portland Phoenix 120, L.A. Lakers

Boston 111, Houston 95

Tuesday's Games Milwaukee at Washington, Washington 115, Milwaukee 86

Minnesota 103, Miami 91 Brooklyn 90, Atlanta 88 Detroit 104, Cleveland 99 New York 102, Charlotte 94 Denver 115, New Orleans

Golden State 115, Toronto

Wednesday's Games Indiana at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.

Minnesota at Orlando, 7 p.m. Brooklyn at Charlotte, 7

p.m. Dallas at Boston, 7:30 p.m. Portland at Houston, 8 p.m.

New Orleans at Oklahoma City, 8 p.m. Sacramento at Atlanta, 8 p.m. Denver at San Antonio,

8:30 p.m.

Toronto at Utah, 9 p.m. Chicago at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games Sacramento at Miami, 7:30

Milwaukee at Cleveland, 8 p.m. Golden State at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

NHL Monday's Games N.Y. Islanders 5, Arizona 2

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Florida 1, Tampa Bay 0 St. Louis 3, Winnipeg 2 Tuesday's Games Los Angeles 3, Philadelphia 2, SO

San Jose 5, Boston 4 Dallas 3, Buffalo 1 Columbus 3, St. Louis 1 Pittsburgh 4, Minnesota 3 Toronto 5, Colorado 1 Nashville 3, Anaheim 2

Calgary 3, New Jersey 2 Wednesday's Games Vancouver at Winnipeg, 7:30 p.m. Washington at Detroit, 8

Chicago at Edmonton, 9:30

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p.m. San Jose at Philadelphia.

The Lady Steers improved their free throw shooting 64.3 percent. They posted a 37 percent field goal shooting percentage.

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Big Spring was active play at 7:30 p.m.

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p.m. Columbus at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.

N.Y. Rangers at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m. Anaheim at Florida, 7:30

p.m.
Buffalo at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
TRANSACTIONS **BASEBALL** American League

LOS ANGELES ANGELS Agreed to terms with INF Cliff Pennington on a two-year contract.

National League CINCINNATI REDŠ – moted Steve Baumann to athletic trainer. Named Jimmy Mattocks assistant athletic trainer.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS - Agreed to terms with SS Brandon Crawford on a sixyear contract. WASHINGTON NATION-

ALS - Named Harvey Sharman executive director/medical services; Paul Lessard director, athletic training; Dale Gilbert athletic trainer; Patrick Panico and Joe Cancellieri corrective exercise special-Promoted Matt Eiden to strength and conditioning coach.

American Association THUNDER-HEADS - Released INF Kori Melo, C Jordan Guida, RHP Clay Chapman, LHP Chris Cummins, RHP Eric Gleese, RHP Mark Haynes and RHP Tyler Pearson

FARGÓ-MOORHEAD RED- Released LHP Jonathan Chudy JOPLIN BLASTEŔS

Claimed RHP Richard Barrett off waivers from Amarillo. KANSAS CITY T-BONES - Released RHP Michael Nannini and RHP Fernando Hernandez **FOOTBALL**

National Football League Suspended Oakland Raiders LB Aldon Smith for one calendar year for violating the league's substance-abuse

policy.
BALTIMORE RAVENS — Placed WR Breshad Perriman on injured reserve. Waived-injured DB Asa Jackson. Waived WR-KR Jeremy Ross. Signed WR Kaelin Clay, TE Chase

Ford and CB Cassius Ford. BEARS Signed CB Jacoby Glenn from practice squad. Waived CB Terrance Mitchell. DALLAS COWBOYS — Waived QB Brandon Weeden,

Corey White and RB Christine Michael **CHIEFS** CITY Placed **James** O'Shaughnessy on injured re-

serve. Člaimed DT David King

off waivers from Seattle **NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS** Signed WR Chris Harper from the practice squad. Released OL Chris Barker MINNESOTA **VIKINGS** Signed TE Chase Ford.

to the practice squad. NEW YORK GIANTS Signed WR Hakeem Nicks. SEATTLE SEAHAWKS Released WR Chris Matthews. Signed WR Kevin Smith from

Signed TE Dominique Jones

the practice squad. TENNESSEE TITANS Signed WR Tre McBride from the practice squad and WR Andrew Turzilli from San Francisco's practice squad. Placed CB Jason McCourty and WR Justin Hunter on injured reserve. Signed LB Yannik Cudjoe-Virgil and CB Shaquille Richardson to the practice squad. Released LB Markus

Pierce-Brewster. Arena Football League ORLANDO PREDATORS Agreed to terms with OL Jordan McCray and OL Justin HOCKEY

National Hockey League

DETROIT RED WINGS -Assigned RW Tomas Jurco to Grand Rapids (AHL) for con-

ditioning. / HORSE RACING MONMOUTH PARK nounced the retirement of director of racing Mike Dempsey,

effective Dec. 31. SOCCER Major League Soccer D.C. UNITED — Agreed to

terms with F Álvaro Saborio on a contract extension. COLLEGE ARKANSAS STATE nounced the resignation of

men's basketball coach John Brady at the conclusion of the 2015-16 season. BOISE STATE pended redshirt freshman TE

David Lucero indefinitely following his arrest on suspicion of felony attempted strangula-DUKE — Dismissed WRs Johnell Barnes and Terrence

Alls and LB Chris Holmes for failing to meet program standards. HOFSTRA — Signed baseball coach John Russo to a multiyear contract extension.

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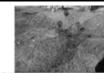
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21-April 19). Your sophisticated mind is capable of nailing all the day's challenges, including the challenge of appreciating one whose nature is very different from your own.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You have compassion for tourists because you know what it's like to be out of your element and lost. New places can seem overwhelming. Everyone needs a guide. **GEMINI** (May 21-

June 21). The need to please can be an asset or an illness. Today it's the latter, separating you from what it is you really want. You'll catch yourself doing too much to make some-

one happy. Stop and

ask, "Why?"

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Life can be frustrating, especially when it revolves around technology, language, and other things you do not understand. That person who can translate will be worth their weight in gold today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your goal isn't unlike the goal of tech companies everywhere -- you want others to have a positive user experience when interacting with you. This intention will lead to getting many of your needs fulfilled. VIRGO (Aug.

23-Sept. 22). Like a hawk you'll use your keen vision and bird's-eye perspective to hunt for what you need. You can rest assured that getting what you want will keep the natural order in balance.

Tomorrow's Horoscope AQUARIUS (Jan.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). This winding road is a test of faith. You can't see very far ahead of you. Each bend requires you to trust that there is more road on the other side, and that the road will eventually lead to your destination.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). When you witness desire, you subconsciously put yourself in the desiring person's place. You want that to pay off. If it pays off for another, it could pay off for you. **SAGITTARIUS**

(Nov. 22-Dec. 21).

You've come to a mental sticking point. To get unstuck, you'll need to do some jiggling and juggling. Move things around. Change your schedule. Alter the placement of your furniture.

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Not all upgrades are improvements. Keep this in mind before you part with your cash. The ones who want you to make a purchase may be thinking more about their needs than your own.

20-Feb. 18). It would be tempting to surround yourself with "yes" people. So many want to agree with you now! Of course, your true friends are the ones who will support you

when you're right and

tell you when you're

wrong.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There are times when you tolerate, or perhaps even enjoy, a bit of excitement and drama in your personal life. But right now, you'll welcome the quiet tranquility of peaceful relationships.

TODAY'S BIRTH-DAY (Nov. 18). There will be some emotional fireworks over the next three weeks when something you have wanted for a long time finally comes to fruition. You'll like how this shakes out! December will shift your career focus. You'll make money in a new way through 2016. March and April show you on a spiritual quest. Virgo and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 15, 22, 39 and 17.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Annie: My in-laws have always caused problems, but things have escalated since my husband and I had children. They live 30 minutes away, but they refuse to visit. When our second child was born, they didn't come to my baby shower or to the hospital. When they finally visited, they didn't even look at

the baby. They won't

FaceTime to see the grandkids. We told them we'd come to their home when the kids aren't napping, but they said if we couldn't spend the entire day, they aren't interested in seeing us at all. When we try to schedule a visit, they usually say they are "too busy." Yet when we do manage to see them, all they do is sit on the sofa and watch TV. They don't interact with the children. My in-laws take several luxury vacations every year, some lasting for three weeks. Somehow.

Meanwhile, they send us random texts berating us about not visiting more and that we don't do enough for them. Worse, when they see the kids, they insult them and make fun of their slow physical development and speech

impediments. But

they aren't too busy

for that.

they are little kids and progress takes time. I am angry and hurt. I dread the upcoming holidays. My husband feels as I do, but these are his parents. The stress has caused a lot of problems in our otherwise happy marriage.

and cannot imagine spending the rest of my life like this. What can I do? -- Feeling Blue

one should be permitted to make fun of your children's developmental issues. Period. Your in-laws sound both toxic and selfish. Couples with young children are allowed to set their schedules. We suggest you be unfailingly polite while you explain that, no, you cannot come visit now because the kids are napping (or in school or have other activities). When you can do a whole-day visit, offer to do so. But if the in-laws insult your kids, leave immediately. If they don't like it, too bad. And make sure your

Dear Annie: My boyfriend and I are discussing marriage. We have both been married previously. We already live

up on this.

I am not yet 30

Dear Blue: No husband backs you

together and have

everything we need.

We would like

to have a picnic or something and just surprise everyone with a wedding, so that no one feels obligated to bring gifts. Normally, when we have picnics with friends and family,

we provide the main courses and everything else is potluck. Would that be acceptable in this situation? -- Wondering in Pennsylvania

Dear Wondering:

The idea of surprising your friends with an impromptu picnic wedding is a lovely idea. Just be sure that the people most important to you will make the date a priority and show up. and others won't be offended because a picnic seemed to be no big deal and they

spent the day elsewhere.

But unless it is the custom among your friends to supply the wedding feast, we don't think it is appropriate to ask your guests to bring the food. If people offer, you can say it's not necessary. If they choose to bring something anyway, so be it. They will consider it a wedding gift.

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NORTH

♥AJ975

♦ A K 6 4

SOUTH

♣K Q 10 6 5 3

South

2 **↑** 4 ♥

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Pass

Pass

Opening lead — king of spades.

The real test of a partnership is

its skill in reaching sound slam con-

tracts. The bonuses for slams more

than adequately reward bidding

accuracy in this area.

The North-South cards in this

hand from a team match certainly

warrant a grand slam in clubs. Yet it

is highly probable that only a small

EAST

♦ 0 9 7

♠J 10 8 7 5 2 ♥ 8 4 3

West

WEST

♦ A K 9 6 3 **♥** 10 6 2

♦ 10 8 3

The bidding:

North

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Grand-Slam Bidding

sudoku North dealer. Both sides vulnerable Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats.

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

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That means no number is repeated in any row, column or

percentage of players would reach the grand slam, and some might not even reach a small slam.

heart and South two clubs, North jump-shifted in diamonds to indicate a powerful hand, planning to support clubs next. South jumped to four hearts to show his heart fillers, but it might

have been wiser to make a waiting bid of three hearts or four clubs to see where North was heading. North couldn't do more than jump to six clubs lacking the king

and queen of both hearts and clubs. South passed, but he shouldn't have. He had a clear-cut seven bid. Looking at the K-Q of both key

suits, he should have realized that North couldn't have a spade loser, or he wouldn't have been able to com-

mit the partnership to a small slam South should have shown more faith in his partner's bidding.

At the second table, the grand slam was reached in this fashion: North East South West Pass

Pass Pass Pass North's three-spade bid showed first-round control of spades hearts having tentatively been agreed upon as trumps. South didn't know his partner's plans, but he leaped to six clubs to encourage North to bid

seven if he had been suppressing a

Tomorrow: It pays to plan the play.

club fit, and North happily accepted The bidding shown occurred at the first table. After North bid one

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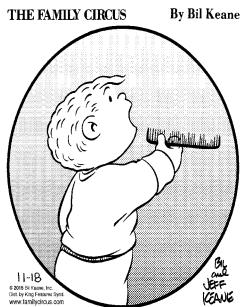


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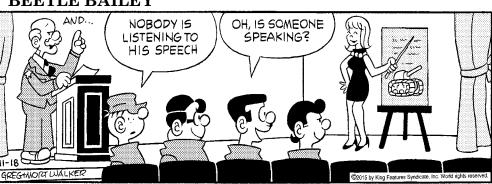


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This Date In History

Today is Wednesday, Nov. 18, the 322nd day of 2015. There are 43 days left in the year. Today's Highlight

History: On Nov. 18, 1865, Mark

Twain's first literary success, the original version of his short story "The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County," was first published in the New York Saturday Press under the title "Jim Smiley and His Jumping Frog."

On this date:

In 1883, the United States and Canada adopted a system of Standard Time zones. In 1886, the 21st president of

the United States, Chester A. Arthur, died in New York. In 1928, Walt Disney's first

sound-synchronized animated cartoon, "Steamboat Willie" starring Mickey Mouse, premiered in New York.

In 1936, Germany and Italy recognized the Spanish government of Francisco Franco.

In 1942 "The Skin of Teeth," Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize-winning allegory about the history of humankind, opened on Broadway.

In 1959, "Ben-Hur," Biblical-era spectacle starring Charlton Heston, had its world premiere in New York. In 1964, FBI Director J. Edgar

Hoover described civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. as "the most notorious liar in the country" for allegedly accusing FBI agents in Georgia of failing to act on complaints filed by blacks; King denied making such a claim. In 1965, Henry A. Wallace,

who had served as vice presi-

dent during President Franklin D. Roosevelt's third term of office, died in Danbury, Connecticut, at age 77. In 1978, U.S. Rep. Leo J. Ryan, D-Calif., and four others were killed in Jonestown, Guyana,

by members of the Peoples

Temple; the killings were fol-

lowed by a night of mass murder and suicide by more than 900 cult members. In 1985, the comic strip "Calvin and Hobbes," created by Bill Watterson, was first published. (The strip ran for 10

years.) In 1999, 12 people were killed when a bonfire under construction at Texas A-and-M University collapsed. A jury in Jasper, Texas, convicted Shawn Allen Berry of murder for his role in the dragging death of James Byrd Jr., but spared him the death penalty. American author and composer Paul Bowles died in Morocco at age

In 2000, actors Michael Douglas and Catherine ZetaJones were married in an extravagant wedding at The Plaza hotel in New York City.

Ten years ago: The Republican-controlled House spurned a call for an immediate pullout of troops from Iraq in a 403-3 vote hastily arranged by the GOP that Democrats denounced as politically motivated. Suicide bombers killed more than 50 worshippers at a pair of Shiite mosques in Iraq. Eight months after Robert Blake was acquitted at a criminal trial of murdering his wife, a civil jury decided the actor was behind the slaying and ordered him to pay Bonny Lee Bakley's children \$30 million.

Thought for Today:

"Few people can see genius in someone who has offended them.

> Robertson Davies Canadian author (1913-1995).

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- 15 Last Greek letter
- Queen Victoria
- 19 Becomes
- 20 Actress Mason
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- 37 Parent's OK to
- 42 Egypian cobras

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- 55 Poker winnings
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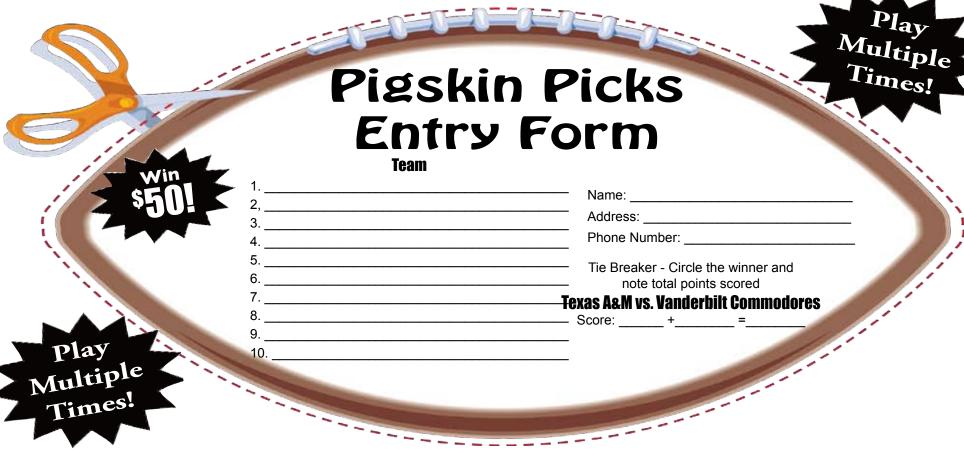


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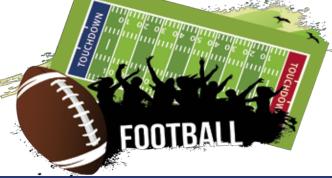




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Nichuskin, Niemi lead Stars past Sabres for 15th win

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Buffalo's comeback stymied by video replay, and Dallas goalie Antti Niemi made the most of his second chance to hold off the Sabres.

Valeri Nichushkin scored 51 seconds into the game and Niemi finished with 24 saves to help the Stars beat the Sabres 3-1 Tuesday night.

Jason Spezza and Tyler Seguin also scored, and Dallas won a late coach's challenge on the way to becoming the first NHL team to 15 wins this season. The Stars' 30 points are tied with Montreal and the New York Rangers for tops in the league.

Trailing 2-0, the Sabres awakened with a late powerplay goal in the third period from Ryan O'Reilly, and Sam Reinhart appeared to have tied it 50 seconds later. However, the goal was overturned after Stars coach Lindy Ruff challenged the call, and video review showed Tyler Ennis to be offside. "You feel kind of

lucky after that," said Niemi. "Even if it was a fair call, it felt like a second chance."

The Stars killed off a late penalty before Seguin added an empty net

"People were yelling offside right away on the entry," Ruff said. "Our video guy, Kelly Forbes came back and said it's offside so instantly, probably within 5 seconds."

It was the second time Buffalo had a goal overturned for offside after a coach's challenge.

Linus Ullmark made 26 saves for Buffalo, losers of two straight at home.

O'Reilly's powerplay goal with 6:57 to play broke Niemi's shutout bid.

The win was Niemi's first in five tries against the Sabres, leaving Carolina as the only team he hasn't beaten in his NHL career.

A cross-checking call on Jamie Benn gave Buffalo a power play in the third, and O'Reilly mad e amends for a sloppy pass reception by rifling a wrist shot under Niemi.

"Absolutely nothing was going on," Benn said. lead with several son's shot through challenge saw En-"The building was pretty quiet. A bad penalty, they score and the building was rocking, and we finally got to play some hock-

goal came when Nichushkin held up play in the right corner and worked a give-and-go with Antoine Roussel. Nichushkin then glided around the prone Ullmark before backhanding a low shot into the goal.

"I'm happy for him because it was a struggle the first 2-3 weeks and he was a pretty frustrated young man," Ruff said. "Now he's got a smile on his face and he's been working real hard."

Dallas threatened to double its chances during a slashing penalty against Sam Reinhart, but Ullmark was well-positioned to stop each one.

The Sabres The Stars' early looked much better in the second period, and came close to tying the game when O'Reilly spun hard inside the blue line before laying the puck off to Rasmus Ristolainen, whose deflected shot hit Niemi.

> A pair of good saves came late in the second, as Ullmark stopped Patrick Eaves point blank and Niemi leapt to corral Jamie McGinn's deflection.

> Both teams struggled to generate real danger in the offfensive end,

traffic was caught easily by Niemi.

That's when Spezza gave the Stars some breathing room, deflecting Goligoski's shot after the defenseman glided into the slot with the puck before firing a low shot toward Ullmark's five hole.

"Spezza and Janmark made a couple great little plays through their defense to let someone else get in the play," Goligoski said.

After O'Reilly got Buffalo on the scoreboard, Goligoski sent a clearance over the glass to give Buffalo another power play, and Reinhart fired a hard shot from the left past Niemi to tie the score.

But a coach's

nis enter the zone before the puck, and Buffalo's equalizer was taken away.

"I knew it was offside before the puck went in," Sabres coach Dan Bylsma said. "I didn't know 100 percent, but I had a pretty good idea. I didn't really need to wait to hear about the call."

Bylsma called timeout before a late faceoff in the Dallas zone, but the Stars won the draw and Seguin scored an emptynet goal with less than 1 1/2 minutes to go.

NOTES: RW Eaves returned to the Stars' lineup for the first time since suffering a lower body injury on Oct. 13.





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