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How do you do Thanksgiving?

We asked, and you answered, on how you celebrate the holiday

We asked various people about their Thanksgiving plans. The questions asked were:

- Do you host Thanksgiving or go to someone else's home?
- What is your favorite Thanksgiving Day dish?
- Does your family have any special Thanksgiving traditions?
- When you do pull out the Christmas

decorations?

Kirstin Marquez
 I usually go somewhere else for Thanksgiving. My favorite dish is the stuffing. We all do different things. I like to nap. I think we normally get



Marquez

the Christmas decorations out the week after Thanksgiving.

Frances "Punkin" Hodges
 I usually host. My favorite dish ... the dressing. Not stuffing, but real dressing. Some of our family go and shoot

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Courtesy photo

Blantyn Gusman, right, is shown with his two sisters, Kirstyn (far left) and Kendelyn.

Right before the accident that left Blantyn Gusman paralyzed, he was in the process of getting his lifeguard and CPR certification to help others. According to his mother, Michelle Gusman, Blantyn's spirit of caring for the well-being of others and his big heart has never left him.

"Blantyn had \$261 dollars saved up from before the accident from mowing lawns and doing yard work," said Michelle. "He has offered to use that money to help fix his sister's phone and pay for his own medical bills. I refused to let him, but he just has such a big heart." Blantyn's big heart is either inspirational or infec-

tious. Because either way, the community has been pulling together for months to help raise funds for medical bills, a vehicle that will fit his wheelchair, and other miscellaneous items that will improve Blantyn's quality of life. "Hesters Mechanical Contractors Inc. came out within five minutes of hearing

that we needed an air conditioning and heating unit for Blantyn's room," said Michelle. "They donated it completely free of cost to us. I just couldn't believe it." The Big Spring High School Band helped raise \$27,000 in two days for a van that will help transport Blantyn. "It was pouring down rain during the band's cook-out

fundraiser," Michelle said. "People were standing in line getting drenched just so they could help us out." Now as the holiday season is officially upon us, the community is rallying together once more to help raise funds for Blantyn and his family. Sugar's Bar is presenting

By **Amanda Elston**

How a family and a community have come together in the wake of a tragic accident

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Gift program sponsors: Response overwhelming

A very delighted Allen Johnson, drop off coordinator of the area's Operation Christmas Child, reports the program has the largest intake of donations in recent years. "We had 2,402 boxes collected," Johnson said. "The increase in boxed is more than 500 from last year. The Permian Basin collected 16,450 boxes." Operation Christmas Child is a project of Samaritan's Purse, an international Christian relief and evangelism organization headed by Franklin Graham. The idea is for volunteers to pack a shoebox with items from toothbrushes to small stuffed animals



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Prep work for a feast

Janna Lassiter stirs stuffing in advance of the Salvation Army's annual Thanksgiving Dinner. The dinner, which is free to the public, will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday at the Salvation Army's Big Spring headquarters, located at 811 W. Fifth St.

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Obituaries

Ella Mae Thurman



Ella Mae Thurman, 90, of Colorado City, formerly of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Nov. 25, 2015, in a Colorado City nursing home. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Nov. 27, 2015, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel in Big Spring with Dr. Jerry Shields, officiating. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park in Big Spring.

She was born Dec. 9, 1924, in Hopkins County, Texas and married D. A. Thurman Sept. 26, 1939, in Sulphur Springs, Texas. He

preceded her in death July 1, 2014.

She was a homemaker and a member of the First Baptist Church in Colorado City.

Survivors include a daughter, Shirley McPhaul of Colorado City; a son, Jerry Thurman and wife, Medena, of Dallas; six grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; one son, Donnie Thurman; and three sisters, Betty Harris, Della Faye Gilbert and Juanita Butler.

The family suggests memorials to First Baptist Church, P. O. Box 641, Colorado City, Texas 79512.

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

Fire/EMS

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

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3600 block of Connally. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2600 block of Wasson. One

person was transported.

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1600 block of Lancaster. One person was transported.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 200 block of FM 700. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1500 block of Martin Lu-

ther King Blvd. One person was transported to SMMC.

- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 2000 block of Gregg St. One person was transported to SMMC.
- MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 300 block of Veterans. One person was transported to SMMC.

Take Note

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Kiwanis Club of Big Spring meets at noon every Thursday in the Cactus Room at Howard College. Visitors are welcome.

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

Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours of day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

The largest fundraiser for the Hangar 25 Air Museum, the Silver Wings Ball will be held at the Hotel Settles, Jan. 23, 2016. Cocktail hour will begin at 6 p.m. and dinner will be served at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$50 per person and can be purchased from any board member. To find out more information or to become a sponsor for the event, contact Hangar 25 Air Museum at 432-264-1999.

Happy Thanksgiving



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Steve Chrane

Steve Chrane, 63, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2015, at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

Local 5-Day Forecast

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

Texas at a Glance







Area Cities

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

National Cities

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

Moon Phases

			
First Nov 19	Full Nov 25	Last Dec 3	New Dec 11

UV Index

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

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

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Be there at 9-11 a.m. and get two for one, plus a rehab meeting.

For information on Garrett Parrish's condition, or to post messages of support, visit his Facebook page (#GPSTRONG). Parrish was seriously injured in a sledding accident.

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.

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.

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.

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guns while others watch football or nap.

We get our decorations out right after Thanksgiving.

Donna Brown

I like to host. The best side dish is devilled eggs.

We don't have any traditions I don't think.

My Christmas tree is still up from four or five years ago. We decorate the tree about a week or two before Christmas.

Claud Fryar

We go to my son's house in Levelland, Texas. All of our kids are married, so we let

them go to their in-laws on Thanksgiving and we get together later.

My wife makes a real good broccoli and rice casserole and a good green bean casserole. I also love her pumpkin pie dish.

Our tradition is to just get together, eat and play board games.

Around Dec. 11 is when we put up our Christmas decorations.

Naomi Diaz

I normally go somewhere else for Thanksgiving. My family lives in Littlefield and I am the only one that moved away.

The turkey, duh. Turkey and dressing.

We all pray together. We draw names for our Christmas gift exchange

on Thanksgiving since we are all together.

I get my Christmas decorations out the weekend right after Thanksgiving.

Itzel Gomez

We all take turns hosting Thanksgiving.

It is either the mashed potatoes and gravy or the green bean casserole.

Our tradition is that we all participate in making dinner. We all dress up, we pray and we go around saying what we are thankful for.

I get out the decorations the day after Thanksgiving.

Brent Zitterkopf

We usually have Thanksgiving at our

house.

The dressing is my favorite, but it isn't a holiday without cherry coke salad. My mom used to make it and now my wife makes it for us.

We watch the football game and nap.

I put the outside decorations up the week of Thanksgiving and the inside decorations go up around the first week of December.

Laverne Dean

I used to do all of the hosting, but now we go to someone else's.

I love a good sweet potato casserole.

Just the normal traditions I guess.

I put up the Christmas decorations usually the week before Christmas, if at all.

City offices to close

Emergency services (Police, Fire, and EMS) will continue normal operations throughout the holidays.

Emergency Utilities Department will also continue and can be contacted at 264-2392.

The City of Big Spring will close all offices today, Wednesday, November 25, 2015, at 3:00 p.m., for the Thanksgiving Holidays.

All offices including the landfill and will be closed Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, November 26, 2015 and Friday, November 27, 2015 in observance of the Thanksgiving Holidays.

There will be no sanitation pickup on Thursday, November 26, 2015.

Howard County non-emergency offices also will be closed Thursday and Friday.

Support groups

FRIDAY

Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, next to Attitudes Hair Salon, down by Bealls).

Open meeting at 7 p.m.

AA open discussion meeting from noon until 1 p.m. at 605 Settles. Open Big Book study meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

SATURDAY

Alcoholics Anonymous open discussion meeting, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m. Open podium/speakers meeting 8 p.m. until 9 p.m. Open birthday night, no smoking meeting the last Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. Covered dish supper at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

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.

MYERS & SMITH FUNERAL HOME & CHAPEL

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R. D. "Rip" Arthur, 92, of Coahoma, died Tuesday at his residence. Service will be at 10:00 AM Saturday at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Coahoma Cemetery.

Steve Chrane, 63, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, November 24, 2015 at his residence. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

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and hosting a live auction, brisket dinner, and live music for an all day fundraising event on Dec. 5.

The food will be served starting at 2 p.m. The auction will start at 5 p.m., and the music, featuring Eddie Austin and other acts, will go from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m. according to information from the flyer.

"We have so many cool things to auction off," said Michelle.

"Among other things, KBEST is donating a guitar signed by 11 Texas country artists."

According to Barney Dodd, sales manager at KBEST, the guitar will be signed by the likes of Adam Fears, Aaron Einhouse, Steve Helms, Bobby Duncan, Randy Brown, Mike Ryan, Larry Joe Taylor, William Clark Green, Dave Perez (Tejas Brothers), Tyler and the Tribe,



This guitar, signed by several country artists, will be among the items auctioned off Dec. 5 to raise money for the Blantyn Gusman family.

and Jason Eady.

Michelle said that other items up for bid include three months of MMA, Ace Little from KBEST is auctioning off the opportunity to broadcast a Howard

College basketball half with him, a massage from My Favorite Place, services from One Way Salon, tools from Sears, various gift baskets, and "a few other things they are working on."

According to Michelle, the proceeds from the event will go towards buying a special shower chair for Blantyn, getting a ramp put in front of the Gusman home, getting their front door widened, and buying a wheelchair that Blantyn can control a bit better.

"He has a power chair, but he needs a chair with better grips and an electric drive so he can control it," said Michelle. "The chair will be anywhere from \$10,000 - \$15,000. His shower chair will

cost nearly \$4,000 and of course the main things add up such as medical bills and gas to get to Lubbock and San Angelo for appointments."

As far as Blantyn's health goes, Michelle says he is determined and making progress.

"At a doctor's appointment, his doctor was trying to help him build muscle and told him he could stop anytime he wants," Michelle said. "Blantyn was so motivated that he told the doctor he didn't want to stop and he kept going with the exercises. He is building muscle in his triceps, bending his elbows, and his waist movement is improving."

With Christmas not too far off, Blantyn's heart remains just as big. When Michelle asked Blantyn what he wanted for Christmas, his answer stayed true to his character.

"It's okay, Mom," Blantyn said. "I have y'all, and that's enough."

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to be delivered to more than 124 million children worldwide for Christmas.

Allan's Furniture has served as the area's drop

off site for Operation Christmas Child since the 1990s.

Last minute boxes poured in Monday night right at the cutoff time making shipment from Big Spring a little late to Permian collection site, Johnson said.

In all, three semi-

trailer full loads from the Permian Basin left Monday night to head to Fort Worth where boxes will be shipped all over the world to children in time for Christmas Day.

"I just want to thank everyone who donated and all the churches,"

Johnson said. "It was by far above the best year we've had."

— Lyndel Moody

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Obama honoring Spielberg, Yogi Berra and more

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Barack Obama recognized 17 Americans with the nation's highest civilian award on Tuesday, including the first African-American woman elected to Congress, one of the greatest catchers in baseball history and a "Funny Girl."

"Today we celebrate some extraordinary people: innovators, artists and leaders who contribute to America's strength as a nation," Obama said.

Obama presented the Presidential Medal of Freedom to filmmaker Steven Spielberg, musicians Gloria and Emilio Estefan, singer James Taylor, composer Stephen Sondheim, violinist Itzhak Perlman and actress Barbra Streisand, who won an Academy award for her performance in the classic film, "Funny Girl."

The sports honorees were Baseball Hall of Famers Willie Mays and Yogi Berra. Berra, who died in September, was a famed Yankees' catcher, an 18-time All-Star and 10-time World Series champion. The president noted that Berra also served in World War II. Mays was among the first African-American players in Major League Baseball.

"It's because of giants like Willie that someone like me could even think about running for president," Obama said.

The politicians bestowed the honor are Democrats: Sen. Barbara Mikulski of Maryland, who has champi-

oned equal pay and women's health during her 44 years of public service; former Rep. Lee Hamilton from Indiana, a long-time advocate of American national security and international relations; and the late Rep. Shirley Chisholm from New York. Chisholm was the first African-American woman elected to Congress and a founding member of what would become the Congressional Black Caucus.

Of Hamilton, Obama said he helped guide the nation through the Cold War and had a consistent commitment to bipartisanship.

Obama spoke about each recipient; among the other honorees were:

- Bonnie Carroll, a veterans advocate, who founded the Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS) to support families and loved ones of military heroes killed during their service.

- Katherine G. Johnson, a NASA mathematician, whose calculations influenced every major space program, including the flight of the first American into space.



President Barack Obama presents the Presidential Medal of Freedom to Willie Mays during a ceremony in the East Room of the White House Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2015, in Washington. Obama is recognizing 17 Americans with the nation's highest civilian award, including giants of the entertainment industry such as Barbra Streisand and Steven Spielberg, baseball legends Willie Mays and Yogi Berra, and politicians, activists and government innovators.

AP Photo/Andrew Hamik

- William Ruckelshaus, a former chief of the Environmental Protection Agency, who shaped the guiding principles of the agency, including a nationwide ban on the pesticide DDT and an agreement with the automobile industry to require catalytic converters to reduce automobile pollution.

Posthumous recipients include Indian tribal advocate Billy Frank Jr., who led "fish-ins" — similar to sit-ins — during the tribal "fish wars" of the 1960s and 1970s, and civil rights leader Minoru Yasui, who challenged the constitutionality of a military curfew order during World War II on the grounds of racial discrimination and spent months in solitary confinement during the legal battle.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Wishing you and yours all the best this Thanksgiving!



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5 ways to make the most of tech gifts

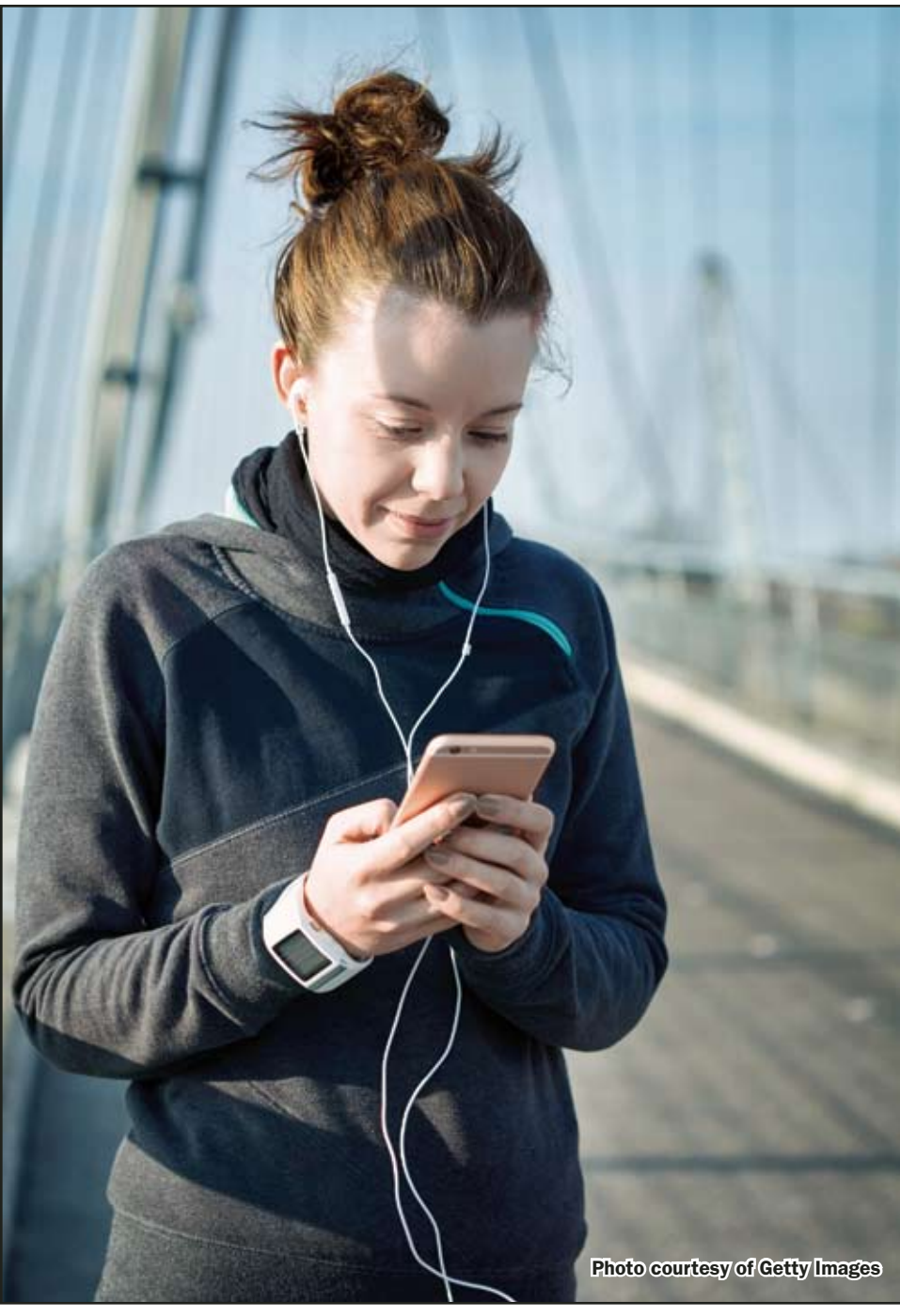


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(Family Features) No matter the occasion — holidays, birthdays or promotions — technology gifts are always on the top of wish lists. With today's devices spanning a wide range of price points and features, selecting the right item is just the beginning. When buying a tech gift, there are several things to keep in mind.

Ensure your intended gets maximum enjoyment from your tech gift with these tips.

1. Features and functions. It can be tempting to buy the latest model with a plethora of fancy functions, but if the person you're buying for won't use them, you may be better off saving money on a version with a lighter feature package. Remember, too, that for those with little tech experience, the excess can be overwhelming. Your best bet: shop for the features you need, but don't over-reach.

2. Support and guidance. Who doesn't want a tech hero waiting in the wings to answer ques-

tions, help with set up and solve problems? With so many tech gadgets connecting via apps through your smartphone, you may be surprised to learn that your wireless company offers comprehensive tech support from Asurion. Tech experts are available via chat, phone and email to provide help across any device or platform. They can help with things such as troubleshooting a specific operating system or connecting devices to a digital home network.

3. Power source. Even devices with superior battery life run out of juice eventually. Help extend the usability of your tech gift by supplying extra batteries or a charging plug if they aren't included in the original packaging. Or consider a car charging system to help restore battery life on the go.

4. Add-on accessories. The market for tech devices is far and wide with options that simply add some bling to more practical choices that help protect devices from

damage. Most devices don't truly require many additional accessories, but covers and cases that help protect devices against dropping are a smart investment. Other smart bets are accessories that will enhance the product's use, such as a pair of quality headphones.

5. Smartphone protection. An insurance plan helps protect your purchase from loss, theft and accidental damage, ensuring it can be enjoyed longer. Research your options before shopping, and be sure to thoroughly explore the coverage plans; typically only your wireless carrier offers comprehensive coverage for both loss and theft. Other third party products usually only cover accidental damage and may have other restrictions to limit coverage.

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There's a holiday gift to make every TV fan happy

BY LYNN ELBER

AP Television Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Pity TV fans back in the day, eager to buy really cool merchandise tie-ins to their favorite series but victims of bad timing.

There weren't 1950s "Team Desi" or "Team Lucy" T-shirts proclaiming viewer devotion to husband or wife on "I Love Lucy." "The Fugitive" board game of the 1960s pales next to a video game. The 1970s "Flying Nun" vinyl lunch bag was admittedly cute but lacking designer flair.

Now, in this oft-proclaimed golden age of television, the goods are as impressive as the shows themselves, and just as legion. Some industry insiders, in fact, are fretting that there's too darn much TV being made and warn that a bubble looms.

It may burst someday, but for now the bedazzling amount of TV-related products make shopping for small-screen addicts easy. Here are suggestions, all available

from network and cable channel websites:

BINGEWEAR:

Help a bleary-eyed friend get comfortable while consuming every hour, again, of "Breaking Bad." From CBS' "The Big Bang Theory," consider the Soft Kitty sleepwear set decorated with Sheldon's favorite feline.

To ward off the winter chill for the binge-viewer — and summon sitcom nostalgia — there's NBC's "The Office" Dunder Mifflin terrycloth robe, with the company name proudly but tastefully placed on the front.

FASHION FORWARD:

What gives Raymond Reddington such style? It's not just his wit, private plane and tendency toward violence. It's also the hat that NBC's "Blacklist" star James Spader wears as Red. The Stetson Mercury in brown can be yours for \$189.95 to

give to someone special. Or keep.

A sharp-looking handbag is always welcome. For a devotee of AMC's "The Walking Dead," there's one emblazoned "In Daryl We Trust," carrying actor Norman Reedus' image as the character. In a nice touch for the flesh-eating zombie show, it's billed as a non-leather, vegan-friendly choice.

THE PROUD FAN:

Know someone who would lay down their smart phone to help Taraji P. Henson's "Empire" matriarch, Cookie? Help them show that loyalty with a "What Would Cookie Do?" T-shirt.

For a "Game of Thrones" admirer who's been very good this year, you could fork over \$250 for a replica of Jon Snow's longclaw sword — with the caveat that the recipient must avoid taking it out into public, for safety's sake. As a much cuddlier and cheaper alternative, consider a Direwolf cub stuffed animal.

"NCIS" fans are plentiful, but perhaps only a few could truly appreciate this: A 19-by-73-inch cardboard cut-out photo of Special Agent Gibbs, aka series star Mark Harmon. CBS suggests the \$39.95 "standee" would be "great for your next 'NCIS' party."

Where's our invite?

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Trim the budget and the turkey



(Family Features) One of the easiest ways to curb spending this holiday season is to trim the grocery bill. To inspire home chefs on a budget, Chef Brigitte Nguyen, host of Cooking Channel's "From the Kitchens Of," shares the perfect holiday dinner menu for eight people under \$100. From award-winning wines to gourmet cheeses, this menu offers a flavorful three-course meal - double the deliciousness for half the price.

Sip, snack and socialize
Get the party started with a spread of seasonal drinks and appetizers to get guests mixing and mingling:

- Nix the open bar plan and stick to a classic. Bubbles and vino are always crowd pleasers. This will save you big on your wallet and keep you from making drinks all night long.

Prep the night before and pop in the oven right as guests arrive for a warm and bubbly fresh-out-of-the-oven taste.

- Serve a quick, but fancy, crostini platter and watch guests eat it up. Top toasted baguette bread slices with a smooth, fresh spread. Use a frozen vegetable you already have on-hand, such as cauliflower or peas, and blend with staples like lemon juice, garlic and olive oil. Spread the mixture on top and sprinkle with freshly grated parmesan cheese. Simple and oh so good.

Revamp the classics
With so many food-friendly events surrounding the holidays, infuse your dishes with unexpected tastes and added bursts of flavor:

- Individual appetizers are perfect to keep guests nibbling until the main course. Try a trendier take on casseroles like gratins, featuring fresh produce and a breadcrumb crust baked to golden-brown perfection.

- Give your salad the star treatment. Roast grapes and sweet potatoes to bring a natural sweetness and a pop of color to your seasonal salad. Top with crumbled goat cheese, chopped pecans and pomegranate seeds for added texture and crunch. A homemade salad dressing using fresh lemon juice and olive oil couldn't be easier.
- Swap out the age-old sweet potato casserole recipe with baked butternut squash. Top with chopped pecans, dried mixed berries and honey goat cheese for a rich, sweet taste.
- You can never go wrong with bacon. Add it to your green bean casserole along with sweet corn to wake up an old favorite by layering in a

whole new flavor.

- For a wow-worthy dinner finale, try blackened, oven roasted turkey breasts immersed in a spicy homemade Southwest marinade. Top it off with a fresh cranberry mojito relish to sweeten the smoky, spicy flavors of the turkey. Not only is this recipe a show-stopper, but turkey breast is an affordable entree option for a large group.

To recreate this holiday feast for under \$100, follow Nguyen's dinner menu below and visit aldi.us for full recipes. Knock out your holiday shopping at ALDI and save up to 50 percent* on fresh, high-quality items.

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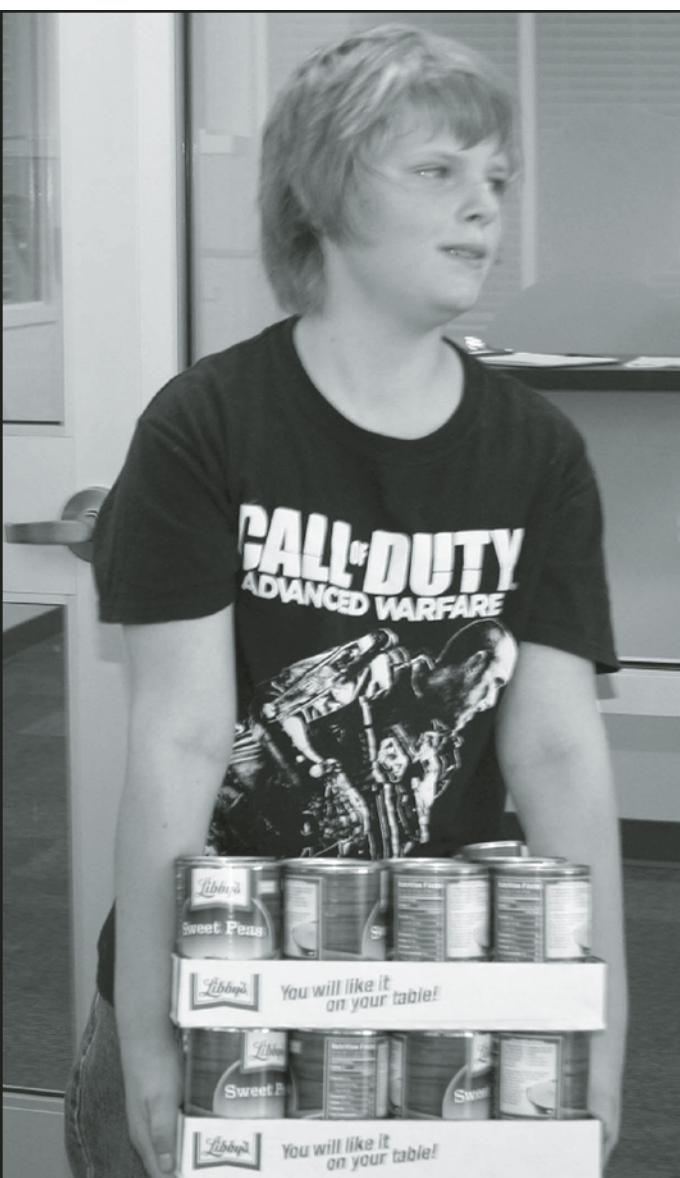
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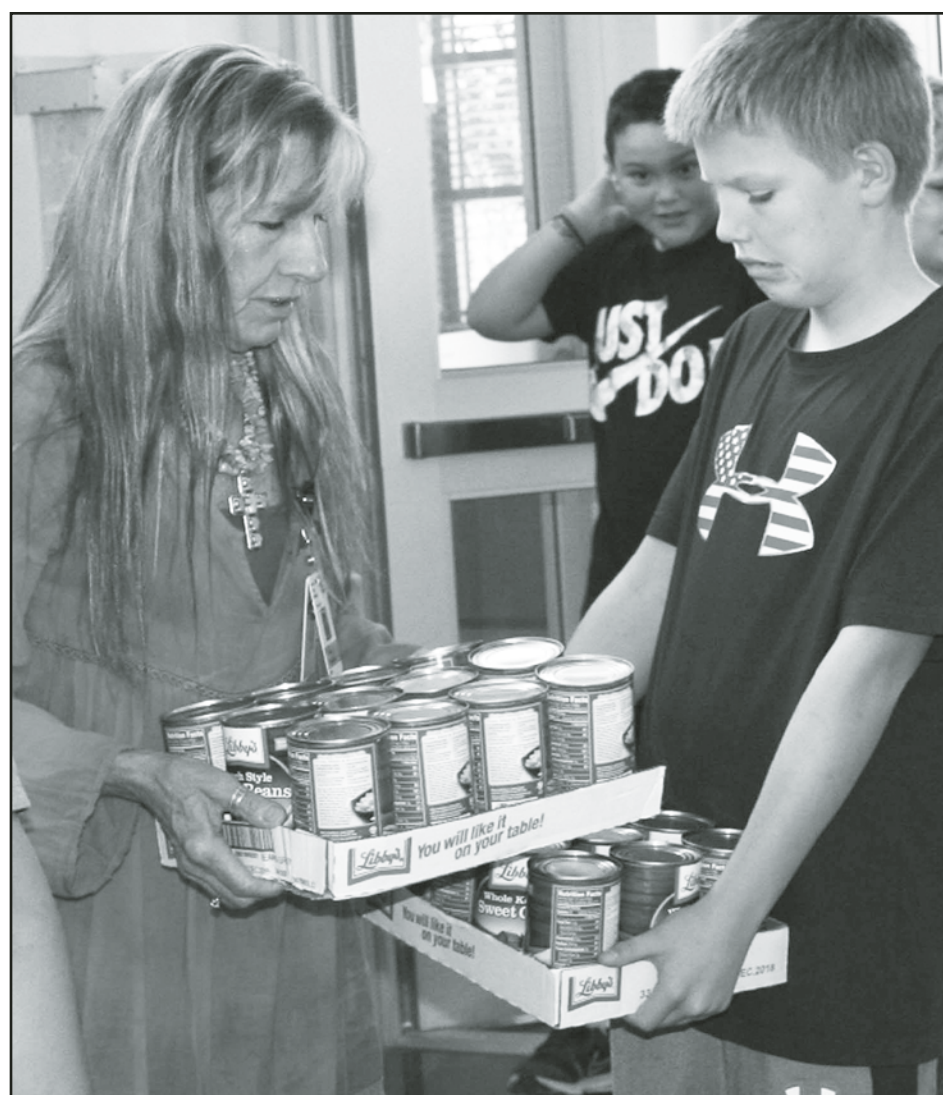
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Forsan Elementary nets more than 1,000 cans for SA food drive



Forsan Elementary School recently collected 1,566 items of food for the Salvation Army pantry. Mrs. Stacey Park's first grade classroom won a pickle party by collecting 196 items. The fifth grade student council was responsible to collect and keep records of the food collected.

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Parent's Corner: Feed the things within for happiness

It's interesting how often you hear folks using the word 'happy,' but I wonder if we really understand its meaning? I believe that being happy is a choice we make, but it doesn't always seem to be that straightforward.

Within each of us there are two possibilities. One leads to a happy life and the other to a life of frustration, despair and misery. These two possibilities explore the inner world and the outer world. The inner world is made up of our thoughts and feelings. The outer world is made of all the things that we can see, hear, touch, smell and taste.

The outer world is the manifestation of the inner world. Everything in the outer world is only a symbol representing something that

already exists in the inner world. Let's think of life as a film, allowing the drama, excitement and stories to unfurl before our eyes on the screen.

The screen however is only where the projection from the projector or video or DVD is displayed. In the same way everything in our life is created from our thoughts, feelings and beliefs. If the wrong film is playing on the screen, and we wanted to change it, we would not start trying to make changes to the screen. We would change the video or DVD.

Yet in life we continually try to change the outer world. When we feel unhappy we try to buy new things or change the things or people around us. This rarely works because it doesn't change our feelings. Our feelings are created, not by things around us, but by our thoughts and our perception of what is happening around us.

Our 'feelings' are from our inner world and

'things' are from our outer world. The solution to achieving a happy life is so simple that it is difficult for us to understand or believe it. We must realize that happiness comes from feelings, not from things we buy to make us happy.

We want it; we strive for it; we envy others who have it. We can see it just beyond the horizon, yet, how many people do you know who "have everything" and still yearn for true happiness? The kind of happiness that comes from within and is not based on status, position, wealth, or possessions.

Happiness is a natural resource that is readily available to all. It is

genetically influenced, but it is not genetically fixed. If we really want to be happier we have to learn the kinds of things we can do, on a day by day basis, to prepare for happiness. We know we cannot change the events in our lives, but we can change our response to those events, which will then change the outcome for us.

We must supply our inner feelings with thoughts that make us happy, and we must not allow outside influences to drag us down. There is a story which explains this point.

One evening an old Cherokee told his grandson about a battle that goes on inside people. He said, "My son, the

battle is between two wolves inside us all. One is evil. It is anger, envy, jealousy, sorrow, regret, greed arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority and ego. The other is good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith."

The grandson thought

about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather. "Which wolf wins?"

The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed!"

Therefore, if happiness is what we desire, may we feed the things within us that make us happy.

Darrell Ryan is the BSISD director of school safety.

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Hoover twins provide unique chemistry for Lady Hawks basketball

By TAYLOR ELLIS

Sports Editor

Every basketball court is different, just like DNA. The Howard College Lady Hawk's backcourt is different because of their DNA.

Freshmen San Antonio native twins Ashlyn and Camille Hoover are living out their dreams of playing college basketball as teammates, keeping their streak alive.

The Hoover twins have always been teammates on sports team, except at the inaugural Lubbock ASCO All-Star basketball tournament their senior year of high school, though the two never got the chance to play against each other.

Their family moved north to Amarillo in the fourth grade, which provided them more changes than just culture shock.

"When we played in San Antonio, we always played with guys on co-ed teams. So when we came to play in Amarillo it was different," Camille said. "It definitely helped us build up some confidence knowing that we could keep up with them."

Later on in their school career, their parents suggested the girls narrow their focus to just one sport, as the girls clearly showed they had the athletic ability to thrive if they put their minds to it.

It wasn't until their freshman year they discovered just how good they were.

"We started to get the hang of it how basketball was our main sport,

and we realized that we could go far," Ashlyn said.

The girls were becoming young stars at Amarillo High thanks to their talent and chemistry together on the court.

After losing their final high school game against Plano West in the Region 1-6A semifinals, the twins didn't know if they would continue their athletic career.

"Our senior year we kind of went back and forth on whether or not we even wanted to play in college," Camille said.

Their uncertainty vanished with the help of Lady Hawks head coach Earl Diddle, who took notice of their success and made them a part of his recruiting trail, offering them something few other colleges did.

"Coach Diddle came to us and it just seemed like a no brainer. We shouldn't waste this awesome opportunity, and we've always been on the same team so getting to play together in college is really cool," Camille said.

The duo gave coach Diddle a true point guard in Camille, and a smart shooter from outside in Ashlyn.

"Camille as point guard is always looking to make the next pass and trying to set up her teammates," Ashlyn said.

"Ashlyn's a really good shooter. I don't know how, but she is always open. She also makes the right shot and doesn't shoot just to get on the board, but when it's actually a good



Courtesy photo

Camille Hoover (14) crossing over a Cisco defender as she scans the floor for the best pass.

shot," Camille said.

It also gave Diddle two players who had played together their whole lives,

what they like to do for fun," Ashlyn said.

The whole team has bonded quickly and boast an 8-3 record. Ashlyn is leading the team with 10.2 points per game and shooting 38.6 percent from beyond the arc. Camille is sporting a team-high 56.7 field goal percentage coming off the bench.

"We've been becoming one big family," Camille said.

The duo has never let their success on the court change who they are, which includes being amazing older sisters to their younger brother Brady.

Brady has learning and special needs which has been a challenge all his life. He loves watching his sisters play, as it

makes him smile from ear to ear, and he also had a huge effect on Camille and Ashlyn.

"We're less judgemental of people and understand that people are going through a hard time," Ashlyn said.

"We realize that it's not all about us. We have become much more patient and understanding people."

The Hoover duo look to make their mark at Howard College, and perhaps continue their basketball careers beyond the gyms of Big Spring.

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Ashlyn Hoover (14) handling the ball and surveying the defense against Cisco.



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Amarillo's Lexy Hightower (left), Ashlyn Hoover (middle) and Camille Hoover (right) walk off the court after the Lady Sandies' 52-48 loss against Plano West in the 6A Region 1 Semifinal on Saturday in the Wilkerson Greines Athletic Center in Fort Worth.

while no one on the 2015 squad had ever played together before.

"We've played with each other our whole lives so it's nice knowing what she's going to do," Ashlyn said. "I think it is a little comforting just knowing how she plays," Camille added.

Though Amarillo is just three hours north, Big Spring provided a culture shock for the freshmen guards on arrival.

"There's not a lot of stuff here so that was different. Also getting to live with people from different states and even different parts of the world has been pretty cool, getting to know them and

Forsan swept by Grady, boys and girls fall

By TAYLOR ELLIS

Sports Editor

FORSAN— The Forsan girls basketball team lost a close low-scoring affair against Grady Tuesday night 39-36.

The Lady Buffs had another road trip this week going to Grady to play a sound basketball team made up of two solid post players surrounded by some good outside shooters.

Forsan started off slow in the first quarter, scoring just three points while allowing seven.

"We didn't have the kind of start we needed against a good, well-coached offensive and defensive team," head coach Lindsey Schmidt said.

Forsan battled back from their slow start in the following two quarters, picking it up on both ends of the court. The Lady Buffs held Grady to just three points in the third quar-

ter, taking a 27-19 lead into the fourth quarter.

"Grady has a good full court and half court defense that I felt like the girls handled well after the first quarter," Schmidt said.

Unfortunately, Grady began the fourth quarter with the hot hand nailing a couple of big three-point shots. The game went down to the final seconds and Grady pulled out the home victory in what was an up-and-down game for both squads.

"We knew it was going to be a battle of the boards all night. It was a total team effort, and the girls are doing a great job of getting loose basketballs and never giving up on a play," Schmidt said. "This group is playing some really solid basketball for this time in the season."

The Junior Varsity squad won big against Big Spring on Monday night at

"This group is playing some really solid basketball for this time in the season."

Steer Gym winning 50-11.

Forsan will play the Classical Academy of Midland at home next Tuesday night.

BOYS BASKETBALL

The Forsan boy's basketball team lost Tuesday night against Grady 62-47. The Buffaloes are now 0-2 on the young season under head coach Gary Huckabee.

Ian Park had a team-high 15 points. Josh Evans had nine and Garrett Evans poured in eight.

Forsan played well and out-scored

Grady in the second and fourth quarter. However, Grady played an intense defensive game and held the Buffs to eight points in the first quarter and five points in the third. Those two quarters hindered the Buffs to much heading into the final frame.

"Even though the score did not show it, the Buffs played a much better game tonight than last Friday," Huckabee said.

Grady nailed 10 three pointers in the game, which proved to be a large factor in the game.

"We have some work to do to get where we want to be, but the team really has a strong desire to excel so I'm sure we will get there," Huckabee said.

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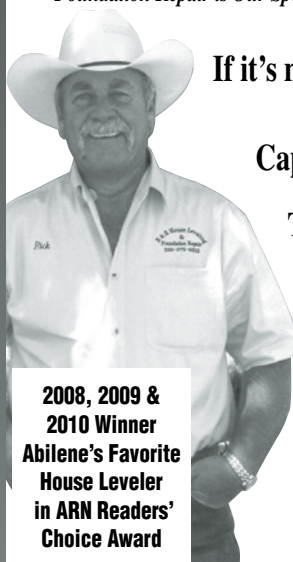
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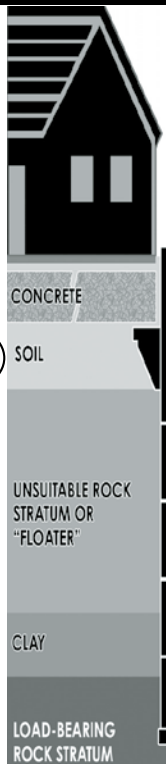
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Saturn and Neptune Opportunity

The positions of Saturn and Neptune suggest that some things we thought could be accomplished through straightforward efforts will require a different level of skill than anticipated. This could be more stress than it's worth. Try and see it as an opportunity to recognize the basics that really matter -- togetherness, kindness and compassion.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Much will depend on how feelings are expressed and interpreted. In today's outpouring of emotion, you may discover the particulars of your own love language.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It's likely that you're feeling blocked in a project. The remedy is simple: research. It's the preliminary step. The second step is

brainstorming. Do not attempt to be proficient without these two steps.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll be very aware of how you are evolving inside of a group environment and the extent of your influence. There's a feeling from the entire setting that no single person is responsible for but everyone contributes to.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Obstacles are opportunities to learn. Take a step back to look at what the obstacle is telling you. In all likelihood, you can adapt and walk around it once you better understand what it is.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll get the wonderful feeling that you're in the right place and right on time, too. Your patience has brought you this far and will continue to stand you in good stead.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). In the past you've sometimes been drawn to people who aren't good for you, but that's changing. The new people

that come into your world are emotionally reflective of all the good that's going on inside you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your recent decision to lie low and be humble will serve you well today because it puts you in a position of perspective. The people around you need tenderness and compassion. You'll better understand how to deliver it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The actions of the past have caught up to you in the best way possible. That's why you can relax and let your worries fade away. When you have a break, take it. Cherish it. There's no reason to rush.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Sometimes you feel like an instrument in the hands of nature. Today it will seem that destiny is using you to fulfill a larger purpose that you haven't quite figured out yet.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Because you are so creative now, you see

the art in everything around you, especially in little messes and mistakes. Your easy-going spirit will make you a favorite.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You've struggled to improve your relationships and that effort is now paying off. You can feel the warmth and acceptance double up around you as others feel the joy in your heart and respond in kind.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The day fills up with good thoughts, happiness and contentment. You should know that coming from this place of cheer, you'll be extremely attractive to someone new.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 26). This year is about singing in a voice all your own. You'll start to be recognized for this. There will be no mistaking your work; it will stand distinct from others'. December brings new delight to your family circle. February will improve your financial picture. April will bring an exciting journey. Cancer and

Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 14, 4, 39, 3 and 17.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "Holiday, I've called myself a writer since I was in the third grade. I still live with my parents, and I write all of the time, novels, short stories and articles. Except I've never been published and I'm terrified of rejection. If I send off my work now and it's not accepted, I will be a complete failure who still lives with her parents for no good reason. What do you have to say to a fellow Leo? Birthdate: July 31, 1987."

Did you know that you have the same birthday (different year) as the author J.K. Rowling? In a Harvard commencement address, the Harry Potter creator talked about the benefits of failure and suggested, "You will never truly know yourself, or the strength of your relationships, until both have been tested by adversity." Since you have admitted that

your life is comfortable enough, your job is to keep daring adversity to test you by putting yourself out there. You are lucky that you don't have to risk home and survival at this point. With a roof over your head and plenty of hot meals, you owe it to yourself and your parents to be courageous in other ways. Best of luck!

CELEBRITY PROFILES: True to her Sagittarian roots, soulful pop star Natasha Bedingfield uplifts with her optimistic lyrics, as in her hit "Unwritten." Those ruled by lucky Jupiter often turn bad things around with the sheer force of their stellar positive attitudes. Bedingfield was born when four luminaries were in this fiery part of the sky and three luminaries were in harmonious Libra.

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Annie's Mailbox

Dear Readers: Happy Thanksgiving to one and all! We hope you are fortunate enough to be spending the holiday with family and friends, and that you will remember those who are alone and would love to be included with your family.

Our special thanks to those readers who are spending the day volunteering at shelters and soup kitchens. Bless you.

Dear Annie: A while back you printed a letter from "Desperate Times," a disabled single mother of two. She said her parents offered to buy her a house, but her sister tried to block it, even though she was married and well-off.

I have two sisters and a brother. My brother had a heart transplant 25 years ago. He had four children and was inundated with medical bills. Our parents bought a house for our brother and his family to live in.

As our parents grew older, I suggested they give the house to my brother now, not as part of his inheritance later. Mom said it wouldn't be fair to the rest of us. She explained that a few years before, she and Dad wanted to give our brother \$1,000, but didn't feel it fair

unless they gave the same amount to all of us. I remember how grateful I was, since it took two years off of our very young mortgage.

I reminded Mom that they had always been there for each one of us kids when we needed them, and each one of us needed them in different ways. That's what fair is. My sisters agreed that my brother and his wife should have the house.

When our parents died and we had to divide up their belongings, there was no greediness or resentment. It became part of our dealing with the grief we also shared. How thankful I am not to have selfish, jealous siblings. -- Grateful Sister and Daughter

Dear Grateful: Your letter is a good fit for Thanksgiving Day, when we all should take a look at our blessings. Here's a poem we have printed in the past that might remind everyone of these things:

"Things to Be Thankful For" (Author Unknown)

Be thankful for the clothes that fit a little too snug, because it means you have enough to eat.

Be thankful for the mess you clean up after a party, because it means you have been surrounded by

friends.

Be thankful for the taxes you pay, because it means that you are employed.

Be thankful that your lawn needs mowing and your windows need fixing, because it means you have a home.

Be thankful for your heating bill, because it means you are warm.

Be thankful for the laundry, because it means you have clothes to wear.

Be thankful for the lady who sings off-key behind you in church, because it means you can hear.

Be thankful people complain about the government, because it means we have freedom of speech.

Be thankful for the alarm that goes off

in the early morning hours, because it means you're alive.

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♠ 8
♥ K Q 5
♦ A K J 10 4
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WEST
♠ Q 7 6 3 2
♥ 8 3
♦ 8 5 2
♣ A 6 4

EAST
♠ A J 10 9 5
♥ 9 6 4
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4♥

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The play of most hands would be greatly simplified if you could see all 52 cards. There would then be little excuse for not finding the best method of play, whether as declarer or defender.

But since each player sees only dummy's cards and his own — and must therefore guess the location of the unseen 26 cards — many hands finish with one side or the other fail-

ing to capitalize fully on its assets. There is nothing extraordinary about this — it happens all the time. Nevertheless, an imperfect result is frequently due to contributory negligence by one or both players.

Consider this deal where it seems South must go down one in four hearts. He has four losers — a spade and three clubs — but if East-West stumble, South makes the contract.

Assume West leads a spade to East's ace. East then cashes the K-Q of clubs, West signaling with the six followed by the four. Regardless of what East does next, South takes the rest of the tricks.

East's first three plays seem normal, but they clearly leave something to be desired. After winning the spade with the ace, East should play the Q-K of clubs, not the K-Q. This abnormal order of plays would tell West that East has a doubleton club. West would then overtake the king with the ace and play a third round of clubs for East to ruff.

Any departure by a defender from the normal method of play should be read by his partner as an attempt to convey a special message. The play of the Q-K, in that order, falls into this category and puts the defenders on the winning path.

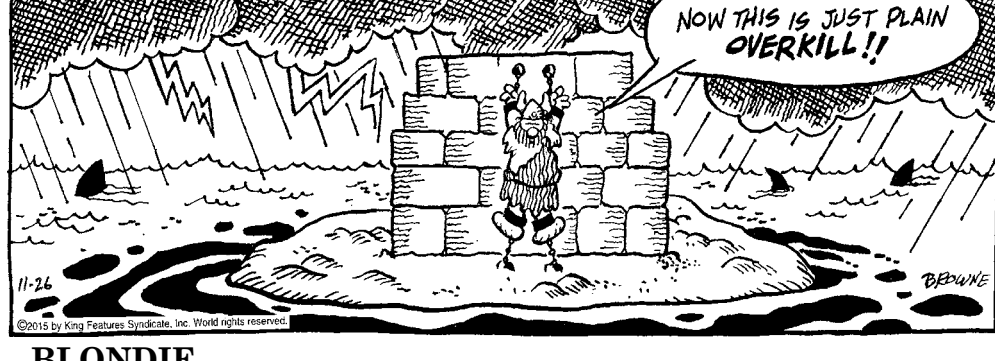
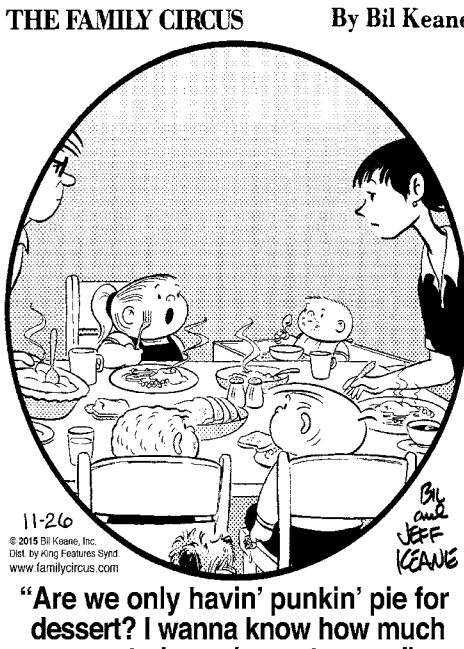
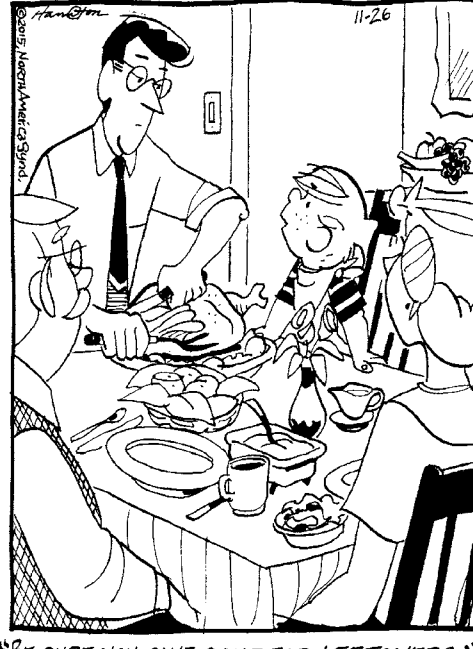
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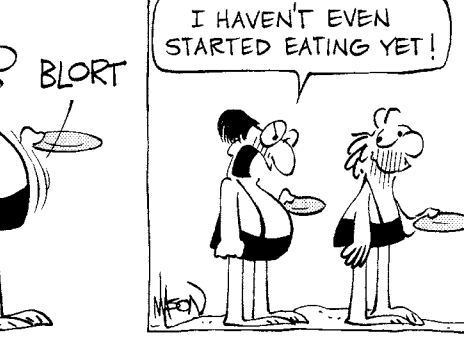
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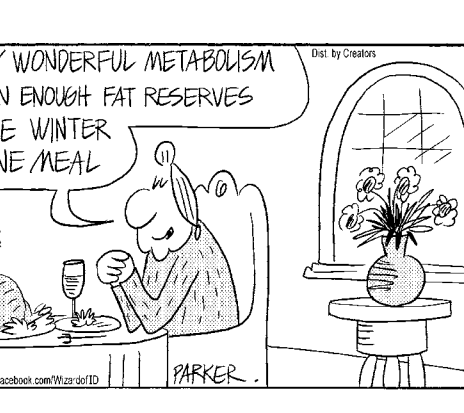
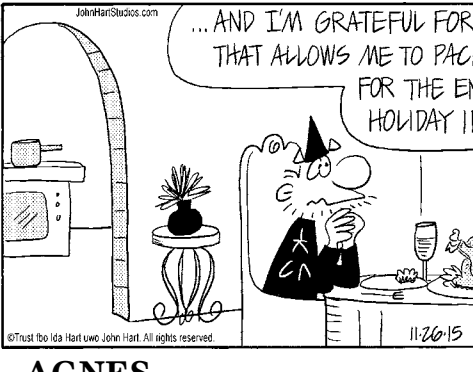
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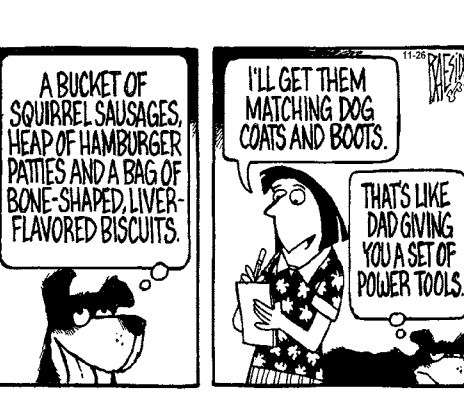
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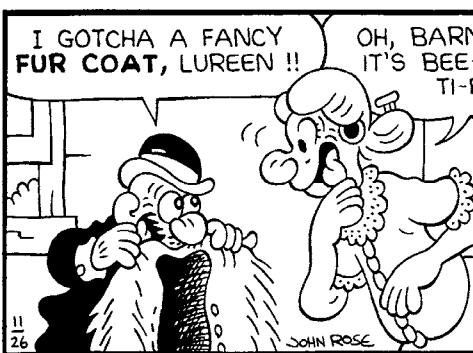
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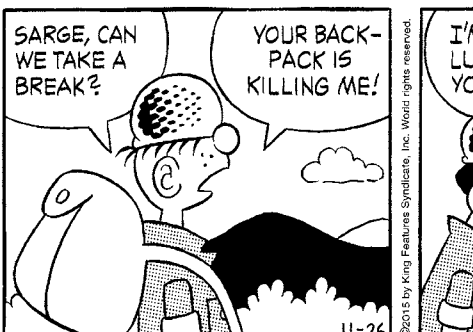
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This Date In History

Today is Thursday, Nov. 26, the 330th day of 2015. There are 35 days left in the year. This is Thanksgiving Day.

Today's Highlight in History:

Nov. 26, 1789 was a day of thanksgiving set aside by President George Washington to observe the adoption of the Constitution of the United States.

On this date:

In 1825, the first college social fraternity, the Kappa Alpha Society, was formed at Union College in Schenectady, New York.

In 1864, English mathematician and writer Charles Dodgson presented a handwritten and illustrated manuscript, "Alice's Adventures Under Ground," to his 12-year-old friend Alice Pleasance Liddell; the book was later turned into "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland."

In 1933, a judge in New York ruled the James Joyce book "Ulysses" was not obscene and could be published in the United States.

In 1941, a Japanese naval task force consisting of six aircraft carriers left the Kuril Islands, headed toward Hawaii.

In 1942, President Franklin D. Roosevelt ordered nationwide gasoline rationing, beginning Dec. 1. The motion picture "Casablanca," starring Humphrey Bogart and Ingrid Bergman, had its world premiere at the Hollywood Theater in New York.

In 1950, China entered the Korean War, launching a counteroffensive against soldiers from the United Nations, the U.S. and South Korea.

In 1965, France launched its first satellite, the 92-pound Asterix, into orbit.

In 1973, President Richard Nixon's personal secretary, Rose Mary Woods, told a federal court that she'd accidentally caused part of the 18-1/2-minute gap in a key Watergate tape.

In 1975, President Gerald R. Ford, having previously opposed a bailout of New York City, announced he would ask Congress to provide a temporary line of credit, citing progress made by the city in putting its financial affairs in order. A federal jury in Sacramento, California, found Lynette Fromme, a follower of Charles Manson, guilty of trying to assassinate President Ford. (Fromme, sentenced to life, was paroled in 2009.)

In 1986, President Ronald Reagan appointed a commis-

sion headed by former Sen. John Tower to investigate his National Security Council staff in the wake of the Iran-Contra affair.

In 1990, Japanese business giant Matsushita (mat-soosh-tah) Electric Industrial Co. agreed to acquire MCA Corp., owner of Universal Studios, for \$6.6 billion.

In 2000, Florida Secretary of State Katherine Harris certified George W. Bush the winner over Al Gore in the state's presidential balloting by a 537-vote margin.

Thought for Today:
"Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough."
Oprah Winfrey.

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Answer to previous puzzle

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18 Cellar stock	8 Brief period
19 More delicate	9 Interviewer's fawning query
20 Words of gratitude	10 Drop
23 Weapon with electrodes	11 Prefix for "billionth"
24 Layered sandwich	12 "I'd like to cut in . . ."
25 Go, to the dogs	13 Unusually fine
28 Gambit	21 Tentacle
33 Choral showcase	22 On the town
37 Supplication	26 Co. with brown trucks
39 T-shirt specification	27 Bad-mouth
40 With 42 Across, words of gratitude	29 Baby elephant
42 See 40 Across	30 Small band
44 Seatless area	31 Victor Frankenstein character
45 Written reminder	32 Minimal change
47 Snow structure	33 South Park kid
48 "I'll tell you when"	34 Louisville's river
50 Throw away	35 Go the distance
52 Pretense	36 Simply
54 Wombat cousin	38 Projectiles, e.g.
59 Words of gratitude	41 Steer clear
65 Luminous	
66 Black Beauty author Sewall	
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68 Wool source	
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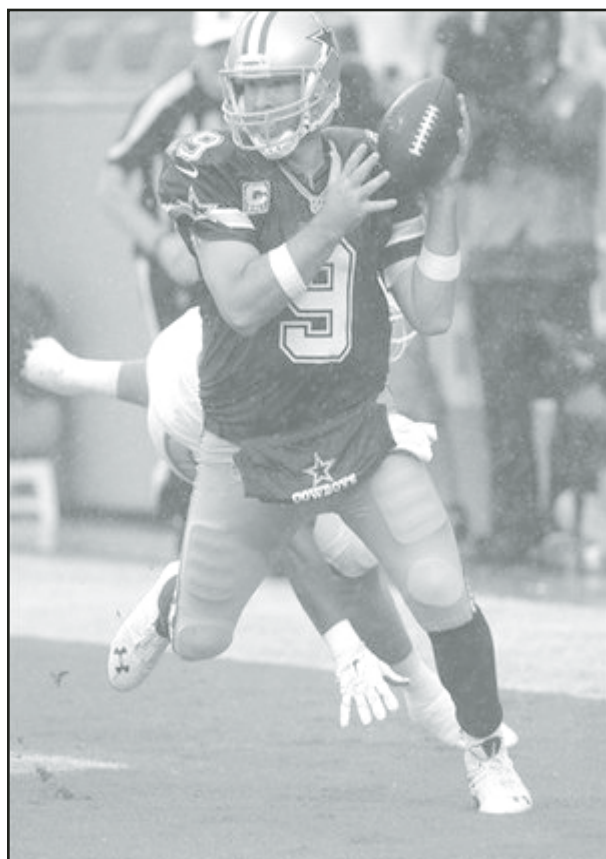
Cowboys face Carolina knowing this: They're 3-0 with Romo

IRVING — Even safety Barry Church felt a boost from the return of Tony Romo as the Dallas Cowboys ended a losing streak that covered all seven games their Pro Bowl quarterback missed.

And maybe it's not a coincidence that a defense struggling to make big plays while Romo sat with a broken left collarbone got its first touchdown of the season on Rolando McClain's interception return for the first points in a 24-14 win at Miami on Sunday.

This much is true as Dallas (3-7) prepares to face unbeaten Carolina at home on Thanksgiving: The Cowboys can say they haven't lost a game that Romo started this year.

"I just feel like we had one of our best players back in Romo," Church said after Dallas improved to 3-0 in Romo starts. "That had a heck of a lot of difference. So, our defense was very



AP photo
Dallas Cowboys quarterback Tony Romo (9) prepares to throw with his left hand as he scrambles in the end zone during the first half of an NFL football game against the Miami Dolphins, Sunday, Nov. 22, 2015, in Miami Gardens, Fla. The Cowboys defeated the Dolphins 24-14.

hungry, but Romo was out there. He did a heck of a job. I'm just glad to have him back."

The Cowboys are still alive because the NFC East is mediocre. The New York Giants (5-5) lead the division by a game over Washington and Philadelphia, with both those teams getting blown out while Dallas was winning for the first time in two months.

The problem for the defending NFC East champion is the long losing streak means the playoffs have basically started. And not only are the Panthers (10-0) visiting four days after a long-awaited victory, but the Cowboys face December road games against Green Bay and Buffalo.

"It feels good. At the same time we have to work," Dez Bryant said after his 50th touchdown catch from Romo, topping the franchise record of 49 connections between Hall of Famers Troy Aikman and Mi-

chael Irvin. "Nobody is going to be jumping for joy around here."

But the Cowboys were clearly a different team with Romo after Brandon Weeden went 0-3 and Matt Cassel finished 0-4 filling in for him.

Case in point, the drive after the Dolphins wiped out a 14-0 deficit and pulled even with a touchdown in the third quarter. Romo completed all four of his passes, the last a 16-yarder to Bryant in the end zone when he threw well out in front of his All-Pro receiver and between a pair of defenders on a crossing route.

It was just the kind of precise downfield throw the Cowboys lacked with Romo sidelined, and helped overcome two interceptions on bad decisions with pressure coming.

"There are a couple of plays he would like to have back, but again, his demeanor was outstanding and he responded to the adversity

throughout the game," said coach Jason Garrett, who tied Jimmy Johnson for second with 44 victories behind Tom Landry. "I think the guys really feed off of that."

Now comes the tricky part: the short week for a 35-year-old quarterback who must maintain his surgically repaired back and is likely to be sore after getting knocked around a few times by Miami's defensive line.

Romo's worst game last year was a Thanksgiving loss to Philadelphia, and he admitted that he wasn't at his best physically without the normal rest and rehab for his back. This time, however, he doesn't have two months of wear and tear since he's been sitting.

"Oh, I don't know," Romo said when asked about the challenge of getting ready on a short week with Carolina looming.

Johnson's return should bolster Panthers strong pass rush

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — The unbeaten Carolina Panthers already have one of the best pass rushes in the NFL — and more help is on the way.

The Panthers plan to activate defensive end Charles Johnson from short-term injured reserve on Tuesday. Coach Ron Rivera said he expects Johnson will play on Thanksgiving Day against the Dallas Cowboys.

Johnson will take the roster spot of backup guard Amini Silatolu, who tore the ACL in his left knee in Sunday's 44-16 win over the Washington Redskins and will be placed on injured reserve.

"I think he will add to what we want to do (on defense) and how we want to do it," Rivera said. "Our guys have played very well and getting him back in the fold should mean some very good things for us. As we go forward into

the stretch run we want our best players available."

The Panthers have 22 sacks in the last six games and 31 for the season, tied for second-most in the NFL.

Johnson, who had 52 ½ sacks over the past five seasons, has missed the last eight weeks on short-term injured reserve with a hamstring injury.

He has practiced with the team for the last two weeks and is officially eligible to return to the 53-man roster on Tuesday.

Johnson has spent all nine seasons with the Panthers.

He battled off and on with hamstring problems in the preseason before re-injuring it more severely in the third game of the season against New Orleans, prompting the team to shut him down.

He had six tackles and one sack in the first three games.

The Panthers promptly traded for Jared Allen, the NFL's active career leader in sacks. Allen has 12 tackles and two sacks in six games and has provided some needed veteran stability at defensive end.

Others have stepped up too with Johnson out.

Second-year defensive end Kony Ealy, who has been starting opposite Johnson, has a sack in each of the last four games including

two forced fumbles. Defensive tackle Kawann Short leads the team with six sacks, five of them coming in October when he was named NFC Defensive Player of the Month. And pass rushing specialist Mario Addison has 4 ½ sacks for the league's fourth-ranked defense.

Carolina had five sacks against Redskins quarterback Kirk Cousins, marking the third time in the last five games they've had at least five

sacks in a game.

The question now for Rivera is which two defensive ends to start among a threesome that includes Johnson, Allen and the young, but improving Ealy. He said the team hasn't decided yet, but added that is a good problem to have.

Teammates agree.

"C.J. is one of the most fierce, respected all-down linemen in this league," Ealy said. "When he comes back he is going to open up

even more for us."

As for Silatolu's left guard spot, Rivera said he expects regular starter Andrew Norwell back this week, which will soften the blow. Norwell has missed the last three games with a hamstring issue. Silatolu filled in while Norwell was out.

NOTES: Carolina's Week 13 game at New Orleans Saints on Dec. 6 on FOX has been flexed from 1 p.m. EST to 4:25 p.m. ET.

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The newest offering is UNICEF Kid Power, which allows kids to get active and save lives. With the world's first wearable-for-good(tm), available at Target this holiday season in blue, orange and two special "Star Wars: Force for Change" editions in black and white, kids go on missions to learn about new cultures and earn points. Points unlock funding from partners, parents and fans, and funds are used by UNICEF to deliver lifesaving packets of therapeutic food to severely malnourished children around the world. UNICEF Kid Power is made possible through the generous support of Disney, "Star Wars: Force for Change" and Target.

Through a partnership with NOVICA, UNICEF Market offers thousands of handcrafted items that support artisans in countries where UNICEF works. From jewelry to home accents and accessories, each item purchased benefits programs that provide children with basic necessities such as lifesaving nutrition, medicine, education, clean water, emergency relief and more.

Holiday shoppers can also give UNICEF Inspired Gifts, actual life-changing and lifesaving items that can be purchased in honor of a loved one and go directly to help children in need in developing countries. Among the gift options are: blankets; a Super Hero Pack that provides vaccines and mosquito nets; and a Therapeutic Food gift - a "miracle food", which provides nourishment to 10 malnourished children.

Additional holiday gifts that give back through UNICEF partners include:

IKEA Soft Toys for Education: For every IKEA Soft Toy or children's book sold in IKEA stores through Dec. 26, 2015, the IKEA Foundation will donate 1 euro (approximately \$1.12) to UNICEF and Save the Children's education projects. This year's collection features one-of-a-kind soft toys designed by children around the world. Children around the U.S. can also enter the IKEA drawing competition for a chance to design their very own dream toy.

Holiday greeting cards: The winning card in the annual Pier 1 Imports(r) and the U.S. Fund for UNICEF greeting card contest will be sold exclusively at Pier 1 Imports stores nationwide and on pier1.com during the 2015 holiday season with 100 percent of sales at Pier 1 Imports going to the U.S. Fund for UNICEF. In addition, boxed holiday cards can be purchased in the UNICEF Market and through Pier 1 Imports, IKEA, Barnes and Noble, and select Hallmark Gold Crown stores, also with 100 percent of the purchase price of cards purchased at Pier 1 Imports and IKEA stores going directly to support UNICEF programs.

Academic Star Student of the Week

*Taylor Morin
Forsan High School*

Senior Taylor Morin is a difference maker at Forsan High School. His positive attitude and sense of humor encourage both students and faculty. Taylor has taken the highest level of classes offered at Forsan and continues to excel academically. He is in the top 10 in his class, and a member of National Honor Society.

In addition, he has been a valuable member of the varsity football team, powerlifting team, track team, and band. He was awarded All District Offensive Line for football. In his spare time, Taylor enjoys reading and playing video games — especially Call of Duty. His future plans are to attend either Texas Tech University or Angelo State University and pursue a degree in either electrical engineering or education/coaching.

Taylor is the son of Monica and Polo Morin.



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