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## Landfill pact approved

County nears end of financial obligation toward new facility

By **LYNDEL MOODY**  
 Staff Writer

Howard County Commissioners approved an updated agreement between the city of Big Spring and the county to split the county's remaining share of the expense for closing the landfill in two payments instead of one.

Currently the sum stands at \$500,000, but the amended agreement allows the county to split it into two \$250,000 payments. The new landfill is expected to be open in 2018.

Approval of the updated interlocal agreement regarding the landfill was one of a number of agreements between local taxing and/or governmental entities passed by one motion Monday afternoon when com-

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## Supermoon



*Tony Claxton photo (www.claxtonphotography.com)*  
**A drilling rig near Vealmoor is silhouetted by the moon Monday. This is the biggest and brightest the moon has appeared since Jan. 26, 1948.**

## Festival helpers needed

20th annual holiday event begins Dec. 15

By **STEVE REAGAN**  
 Staff Writer

There's a lot more to the Festival of Lights than just flipping a light switch.

The holiday themed festival, one of this area's largest and most popular Christmas attractions, returns for its 2016 run, and officials are putting out a call for volunteer greeters to help with the event.

The 20th annual Festival of Lights will be held December 15-31 at Comanche Trail Park.

"Greeters are needed ... for two hour shifts, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., and from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.," said Hayley Lewis of the Big Spring Convention and Visitors Bureau. "Groups of two to five are needed

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*HERALD photo/Roger Cline*  
**Bealls employees were busy unloading and scanning in merchandise Monday morning. The store, which is located at the Spring Town Plaza Mall, has been closed since September after suffering extensive water damage from a passing storm.**

## Bealls getting back to business

Recently shuttered because of storm damage, store aims toward Nov. 23 reopening

By **LYNDEL MOODY**  
 Staff Writer

Bealls employees were kept busy Monday unloading and scanning in freight to restock the long-time clothing store located at the Spring Town Plaza.

The store has been closed since mid-September after the clothing store suffered extensive water damage from a heavy storm.

"On behalf of Bealls and the Stage Stores family, we are excited that Bealls in Big Spring will re-open on Wednesday, Nov. 23 at 8 p.m.," said Bria Worthington Lundy, public relations director for Stage Stores. "We have some exciting giveaways planned for the grand opening including a \$100 Bealls gift card for the first 50 customers (18 years or older) in line, a free tote bag, and a special savings coupon."

The opening will coincide with early Black Friday sales. For the past few years, retail outlets have begun opening stores on Thanksgiving Day to entice would

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## Obama: US remains committed to NATO

**The Associated Press**

ATHENS, Greece — President Barack Obama opened his final foreign trip as president Tuesday with reassuring words in Greece about the U.S. commitment to NATO even as he prepares to hand off to a Donald Trump administration, saying Democratic

and Republican administrations alike recognize the importance of the alliance to the trans-Atlantic relationship.

Without mentioning Trump by name, Obama told Greek President Prokopis Pavlopoulos that a strong NATO is of "utmost importance" and would provide "significant continuity even as we see a

transition in government in the United States."

Pavlopoulos, for his part, thanked Obama for U.S. support of the Greek people in a time of social and economic crisis, and said he was confident that Trump "will continue on the same path."

Trump's election has generated significant unease in Eu-

rope because of his tough talk during the campaign suggesting the U.S. might pull out of the NATO alliance if other countries don't pay more.

Obama's reassurances reflect an attempt to ease the deep concerns about Trump and the future of America's

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## Obituaries

### James "Jivie" "Randy" Ivie

Memorial services for James "Jivie" "Randy" Ivie, age 62, of Grapeland will be at 10 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 17, 2016, at Liberty Hill United Methodist Church. Arrangements are under the direction of Bailey and Foster Funeral Home in Palestine.

Mr. Ivie died Tuesday at CHI St. Lukes Health Memorial Hospital in Lufkin, Texas. He was born Dec. 26, 1953, in Fort Worth, Texas, to James Madison Ivie and Doris Nell Anderson Ivie. Mr. Ivie was a retired lab tech from Sid Richardson in Big Spring, Texas. He loved building things and loved his boys, Tyson, Samson, and Rambo. Mr. Ivie was loved by all that knew him.

He was preceded in death by his father, James Madison Ivie; and a brother, Jeff Ivie.

### Michael Allen Seay

Michael Allen Seay, 38, of Big Spring, Texas, passed away Saturday, Nov. 12, 2016. A funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2016 at Myers & Smith Chapel.

He was born Aug. 28, 1978 in Big Spring. He was the son of Jackie Jocelle Bennett Seay and Timothy Allen Davidson in Big Spring. He was a lifetime resident of Big Spring and also resided in Fort Worth for a short time.

He enjoyed time spent with his children. He was very proud of them and their accomplishments, especially proud of his daughter, Kaitlyn, and of his son, Triston, for graduating from high school last May. He enjoyed spending time at the office with his brother Jason. Michael enjoyed growing up in the Vealmoor area with his brothers and social engagements with his family and friends, loved mu-

He is survived by his wife, Debra "George" Ivie of Grapeland, Texas; mother, Doris Nell Anderson Ivie of Corsicana, Texas; daughters, Melody Star Dickey of Joplin, Mo., Casey Ivie of Muskogee, Okla., and Nichole Ivie of Big Spring; sons, Shane Haney of Big Spring, and Gary McKinney of Independence, Mo.; a sister Evonne Lane and husband Bobby of Corsicana; grandchildren, Karya Dawn Dickey (Paw Paw's Angel), Autumn Skie Achey, Lexie Hyden, and Katy Perez, in addition to 18 other grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren; nieces Richele Perry and Ivy Blackwell; and nephew Andrew Blackwell.

Visitation will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2016, at Bailey and Foster Funeral Chapel in Grapeland.

To view online, leave condolences, or sign the guest book, go to [www.baileyandfosterfuneralhome.com](http://www.baileyandfosterfuneralhome.com).

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sic and football. He was one of a kind and loved to make people laugh.

Michael is survived by one son, Triston Allen Seay of Dallas; one daughter: Kaitlyn Nicole Seay of Coahoma; two brothers, Jason Allen Seay and wife, Sunni, of Big Spring and Bryan Sledge of Midland, Texas; one niece, Haleyna Davidson of Big Spring; one nephew, Gage Davidson of Big Spring; aunt, Tammy Jo Davidson of Big Spring; Aunt and Uncle, Terri and Craig Peterson of Big Spring and two cousins, Cody McCann and Emily McCann of Big Spring; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Timothy Allen Seay and Jackie Jocelle Bennett Seay; grandfather, Clarence "Jack" Bennett; grandmother, Bonnie Bennett and special cousins, Bobbie McCracken, and Coy Joe McCann.

The family suggests memorials to the New Mexico Christian Children's Home in Portales, N.M.

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

*Paid obituary*

### Bobby Gene Woodard

Bobby Gene Woodard, 71, of Big Spring died Oct. 28, 2016 at his residence. No services are planned.

He was born July 31, 1945 in Wellington, Texas to Celest Butler Woodard and Denison Woodard. Bobby had been in Big Spring the last 10 years, moving here from Pecos, Texas. He had lived most of his life in Pampa, Texas. He was a Vietnam Veteran, serving two

years in the United States Army and three years in the United States Navy. He was a professional artist and painted commercial store front windows.

Bobby is survived by his wife: Jackie Bureson of Big Spring; one brother: Billy Ray Woodard and wife, Lillian, of Oklahoma City, Okla., and one niece.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by two sisters and two brothers.

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

## Police & Sheriff

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **JOSHUA DAVID HARRINGTON**, 27, of 1202 S Johnson was arrested on warrants for expired registration, driving with invalid license, and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- **TONY MONROE GAMBLE**, 49, of 1402 Wood Street was arrested on warrants for possession of a controlled substance (more than three grams but less than 28 grams) and manufacturing/delivering a controlled substance (less than one gram).
- **RANDAL KIRK KIRKHAM**, 26, of the 300 block of E 6th was arrested on warrants for driving without lights (when required), riding bicycle improperly, and two counts of bail jumping/failure to appear.
- **FREDDY CANO RODRIGUEZ JR.**, 29, of 601 E. 17th was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **MELISSA ANN ROSE**, 38, of 4117 Muir Street was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **CLAUDE BRAFFORD SPEED**, 25, of 1207 Tonkawa, Sweetwater, was arrested on a warrant from another agency.
- **LUCY MARUE MEADOWS**, 60, of 1715 W County Road 125, Midland, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.
- **THEFT** was reported in the 300 block of S. Owens, the 1300 block of Sycamore, the 3600 block of W Hwy 80, and the 2300 block of Wasson Road.
- **BURGLARY OF A VEHICLE** was reported in the 300 block of E 1st Street, the 400 block of E 24th Street, and the 3200 block of W Hwy 80.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported in the 200 block of S Johnson Street.
- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 9400 block of S Service Road.
- **BURGLARY OF A HABITATION** was reported in the 5000 block of Wasson and the 1900 block of Wasson.
- **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 2300 block

of Thorpe Street.

• **MINOR ACCIDENT** was reported at the intersection of 11th Street and Goliad.

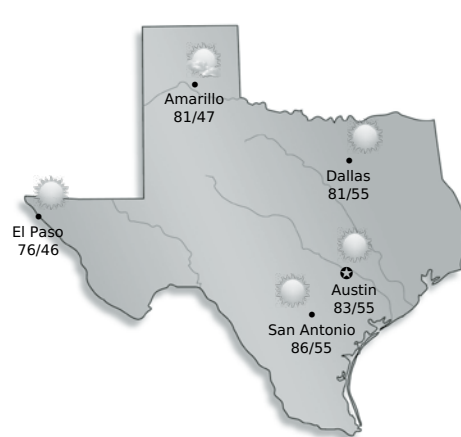
The Howard County Sheriff's Department reported the following activity:

- Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 83 inmates at the time of this report.
- **FERNANDO SEGURA BECERRA**, 22, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- **FRANK CHAZARRETA**, 30, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for unauthorized use of vehicle, two counts of violation of promise to appear, driving with invalid license, and no driver's license when unlicensed.
- **SARAH ARLEEN FAULTNER**, 36, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of theft of property (greater than \$750 but less than \$2,500).
- **HOWARD FOSTER**, 40, was booked by the BSPD charges of criminal trespassing and possession of a controlled substance (less than one gram).
- **SARA JUAREZ GAMBLE**, 56, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for possession of a controlled substance (less than one gram) and possession of a controlled substance (less than 28 grams).
- **RENEA ANTOINETTE GORDON**, 29, was booked by the BSPD on a warrant for parent contributing to non-attendance.
- **MANUEL A GUZMAN**, 21, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- **FRANCISCO HERNANDEZ**, 29, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- **STERLING MCINTOSH**, 33, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of driving with invalid license.
- **FELIX GONZALES OLIVAS**, 48, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **KARA KARTICE ORNELAS**, 25, was booked by the DPS on a charge of driving with invalid license.
- **FAUSTO PADRON-HERNANDEZ**, 29, was

### Local 5-Day Forecast

Wed 11/16	Thu 11/17	Fri 11/18	Sat 11/19	Sun 11/20
<b>80/56</b> Sunny. High around 80F. Winds SSW at 10 to 20 mph.	<b>77/46</b> Partly cloudy and windy. Highs in the upper 70s and lows in the mid 40s.	<b>62/38</b> Sunny. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the upper 30s.	<b>57/40</b> Abundant sunshine. Highs in the upper 50s and lows in the low 40s.	<b>64/46</b> Abundant sunshine. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 40s.
Sunrise: 7:16 AM Sunset: 5:45 PM	Sunrise: 7:17 AM Sunset: 5:44 PM	Sunrise: 7:18 AM Sunset: 5:44 PM	Sunrise: 7:19 AM Sunset: 5:43 PM	Sunrise: 7:20 AM Sunset: 5:43 PM

### Texas at a Glance



### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	82	53	Clear	Kingsville	86	54	Sunny
Amarillo	81	47	M Clear	Livingston	80	53	P Cloudy
Austin	83	55	Sunny	Longview	80	51	M Sunny
Beaumont	81	54	P Cloudy	Lubbock	80	45	Clear
Brownsville	83	60	P Cloudy	Lufkin	80	51	M Cloudy
Brownwood	82	47	Clear	Midland	81	49	Clear
Corpus Christi	87	60	Sunny	Raymondville	85	58	Cloudy
Corsicana	80	54	Sunny	Rosenberg	81	54	P Cloudy
Dallas	81	55	Clear	San Antonio	86	55	Sunny
Del Rio	82	52	P Cloudy	San Marcos	84	55	Sunny
El Paso	76	46	Clear	Salphur Springs	80	54	Sunny
Fort Stockton	81	53	Clear	Sweetwater	81	54	Clear
Gainesville	79	49	Clear	Tyler	80	53	Sunny
Greenville	80	52	Sunny	Weatherford	82	55	Clear
Houston	83	59	M Clear	Wichita Falls	81	49	Clear

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	69	47	Clear	Miami	77	56	Cloudy
Boston	53	49	Cloudy	Minneapolis	57	25	M Cloudy
Chicago	57	43	Clear	New York	54	45	Rain
Dallas	81	55	Clear	Phoenix	87	60	Clear
Denver	78	50	M Clear	San Francisco	65	53	Cloudy
Houston	83	59	M Clear	Seattle	57	47	Sct T-Storms
Los Angeles	83	58	Clear	Saint Louis	64	45	Clear

### Moon Phases

<b>First</b> Nov 7	<b>Full</b> Nov 14	<b>Last</b> Nov 21	<b>New</b> Nov 29

### UV Index

Wed 11/16	Thu 11/17	Fri 11/18	Sat 11/19	Sun 11/20
4	3	4	4	4
Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	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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booked by the HCSO on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

- **STACY LYNN PENDLETON**, 41, was booked by the BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.
- **MARTIN ANTHONY RAMIREZ**, 26, was booked by the BSPD on warrants for criminal mischief (less than \$500), bail jumping and failure to appear, possession of drug paraphernalia, and a charge of assault causing bodily injury.
- **VICTOR AVILA SEGURA**, 27, was booked by the HCSO on a charge of public intoxication.
- **WILLIAM RICHARD YEAGER**, 54, was booked by the BSPD on charges of theft (less than \$100) and public intoxication.

## Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of Birdwell. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 700 block of E 15th. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1000 block of Bluebonnet. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3900 block of Dixon. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported at the intersection of 3rd and Gregg, No transport was reported.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of Martin Luther King Blvd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.
- **GAS LEAK** was reported in the 2500 block of Carol.
- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3400 block of E. I-20. One person was transported to Scenic

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## Take Note

• The Salvation Army of Big Spring is seeking volunteers to ring a bell for their Red Kettle program this Christmas season. Each year, more than 25,000 Salvation Army volunteers raise money through the program to help serve more than 3 million people in need during the holiday season from Thanksgiving to Christmas. All money raised in the Red Kettle program stays in the communities where it is raised. For more information call 432-352-2005. If you don't have time to ring a bell, you can visit RedKettleReason.org to create an online kettle to raise funds for the program.

• Daniel Sneed of Troop 1 of the Boy Scouts of America is collecting dog food as his Eagle Project. Sneed will be collecting dog food Nov. 21-23 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. To donate, drop off bags of dog food at the Troop 1 Scout Hut in the back of First United Methodist Church at 207 W. 4th. "I would like the dogs to have enough food for the winter," said Sneed.

• The Western Sportsman Club will be sponsoring a turkey shoot on Nov 19, 2016 and the start time is 10 a.m. For more information, call the director of the shoot at 432-816-4084. There will five events and each winner of the event gets a turkey or a ham.

• H-E-B is looking for non-profits agencies to set up information tables at the annual Feast of Sharing. Please contact Sandy Stewart at 432- 935-1604 to reserve a spot. Feast of Sharing will be held on Dec. 11.

• A benefit for Bethine McNally will be held on Dec. 3. Mrs. McNally is a Big Spring ISD employee and the wife of the pastor of New Life Ministries C.O.G.I.C. She has been diagnosed with bilateral kidney cancer. The benefit will help support the McNally family in these difficult times. The money raised will go to the family's medical bills and daily expenses. The benefit will include live music and food, as well as a silent auction.

## EMS

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Mountain Medical Center.  
• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1800 block of N. Hwy 87. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Cen-

ter.  
• **TRAFFIC ACCIDENT** was reported in the 1800 block of Goliad.  
• **FALSE ALARM** was reported in the 100 block of E. I-20.  
• **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1900 block of E. 25th.

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missioners met, including giving the go-ahead to sell property seized by Coahoma ISD because of delinquent taxes. Commissioners agree the property can be sold at less than the amount of taxes owned,

but the sale would allow the property back on the tax rolls. Howard College trustees approved the sale during their last board meeting.

In other business, county employees will continue to have 11 calendar holidays in the year, but Columbus Day will no longer be one of them.

Commissioner John

Cline brought the issue to commissioners and made the motion to instead give a half-day holiday on Dec. 22 for the employees' Christmas party and a half-day on June 30 to close down the county courthouse early for the Funtastic Fourth Celebration. During the two-day annual patriotic celebration, several city blocks,

including those around the county courthouse, are closed off for pedestrian traffic, vendor stalls, and the grand stage. The event draws thousands to downtown Big Spring.

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## STORE

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be shoppers to begin their Christmas Day shopping even earlier than the traditional midnight Black Friday hour.

"Another great perk, customers who shop on

Wednesday night will receive the same great Thanksgiving and Black Friday prices early so they beat the crowd," Lundy said in a written statement.

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## NATO

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treaty alliances. Yet they may be greeted with skepticism: For months throughout the campaign, Obama repeatedly assured world leaders in public and private that Trump would not be elected, only to see him emerge victorious from last week's election.

Obama also met Tuesday with Greek Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras, and offered a welcome message of support for the Greeks as they struggle with both economic woes and a huge influx of refugees. Obama pledged to keep pressing his view that "austerity alone cannot deliver prosperity and that it is going to be important both with respect to debt relief and other accommodative strategies to help the Greek people in this period of adjustment."

Obama and Tsipras were to hold a joint news conference later in the day, and Pavlopoulos was hosting an official dinner for Obama at the

presidential mansion in the evening.

Obama is making the first visit to Greece by a sitting U.S. president since Bill Clinton in 1999. Security was tight, with major roads shut down along Obama's motorcade route and a ban on public gatherings and demonstrations in swaths of central Athens and a southern suburb near a seaside luxury hotel where Obama was staying. Boats were also banned from sailing near the coastline at the hotel's location.

More than 5,000 police were deployed in the capital's streets for the two-day visit. Left-wing and anarchist groups have planned protest demonstrations for Tuesday afternoon, while an armed anarchist group has called for "attacks and clashes" to disrupt Obama's visit. Clinton's visit, which came during the height of U.S. intervention in the wars ensuing from the breakup of Yugoslavia, was marked with extensive violent demonstrations.

On Wednesday,

Obama is scheduled to tour the Acropolis and give a major speech about democracy and globalization before flying on to Berlin. From Germany, Obama will travel to Peru for an Asian economic summit before returning to Washington on Saturday.

Obama said he was looking forward to visiting the Acropolis because "if you come to Greece you've got to do a little bit of sightseeing."

Greece's government has hailed Obama's visit as being of "huge importance" for both Greece and Europe. The country's left-led coalition government has been struggling to pull Greece out of six years of a vicious financial crisis that has devastated its economy and left more than a quarter of the workforce unemployed. Despite the U.S. election, the government has pinned its hopes on the U.S. president to help persuade some of the country's more reluctant international creditors, such as Germany, to grant it sig-

nificant debt relief.

Without a cut in its debt, Athens says, it cannot hope to recover economically — an argument also supported by the International Monetary Fund.

Greece has been relying on emergency loans from three consecutive multi-billion euro bailouts from other European Union countries using the euro currency, and the IMF, since 2010. While the United States has not been involved in Greece's bailout, Athens has long seen it as an ally that could apply pressure on creditors.

The U.S. has praised Greek efforts to overhaul its economy but has repeatedly stressed the country must continue with painful reforms. The country's bailout funds are disbursed following reviews by international debt inspectors of mandated reforms.

The government will also be looking for recognition of the country's role in Europe's refugee crisis, which saw hundreds of thousands of

refugees pass through Greece from Turkey on their way to the more prosperous countries of the European north, and for U.S. pressure on the rest of Europe to help shoulder the burden. Following the closure of Balkan land borders and the reluctance of some European countries to host refugees, more than 60,000 people are stranded in Greece, most living in often poor conditions in overcrowded camps dotted around the country.

Rights organizations have urged Obama to use his visit to highlight these people's plight and Europe's response to the crisis.

Obama should "shine the spotlight not only on abysmal conditions for

the tens of thousands of refugees stranded in Greece, but also on the failure of world leaders to adequately address the wider global refugee crisis," John Dalhuisen, Amnesty International's Europe director, said in a statement.

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Loyal "Joe" Burchfiel, 78, died Thursday. The family will receive friends from 10:00 AM until 12:00 Noon today at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral service will begin at 12:30 PM at Myers & Smith Chapel with burial at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

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# Some Texas Muslims note concerns after Trump election

By **JORDAN RUDNER**

The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS (AP) — Most mornings, Aysha Khan takes the DART train to get to school. But after Donald Trump's victory in the presidential election, her parents asked her to drive.

"They were worried for me," said Khan, a 21-year-old graduate student at the University of Texas at Dallas. "They were scared for me to go outside, as someone who wears a hijab."

The Dallas Morning News reports Khan's parents weren't the only ones who were scared. This past week, frightened by the sweeping victory of a man who at one point called for a national database to track Muslims, young Muslim Americans across Texas described feeling alienated from the only country they've known as home.

"Being an American is a very prominent part of my identity," said Khan, whose parents emigrated from Pakistan. "It's shaped my values and my beliefs. The fact that half the nation doesn't think I'm American enough — that hurts."

According to a study released in September, hate crimes against American Muslims have skyrocketed over the last two years to a level not seen since the aftermath of the Sept. 11 attacks. Khan and others attribute much of that spike to Trump's rhetoric.

"We're going to have to do certain things that were, frankly, unthinkable a year ago" regarding Muslim communities, Trump said last year. He also called for a ban on Muslims entering the country and falsely claimed that thousands of them celebrated when the twin towers fell.

Since Nov. 8, there have been reports of widespread harassment against Muslims and other minority groups in schools across the country. In

Plano, one Muslim student reported that a group of students called him a terrorist and used a racial slur to refer to his African-American friend.

For Zainab Ghwari, a community organizer in Sugar Land, the election results were a discomfiting reminder of the way many Americans perceive her. According to a Pew Research Center study, only 1 percent of adults in Texas identify as Muslim.

"I think in our community, we really underestimated the lack of empathy from, to be very blunt, the white Caucasian population," Ghwari said. "I feel heartbroken today."

A clear majority of white men and white women voted for Trump, while men and women from other ethnic minority groups overwhelmingly supported Hillary Clinton. Roughly 67 percent of U.S. Muslims identify as Democrats, up from 42 percent a decade ago, according to the Council on American-Islamic Relations.

Ghwari's parents immigrated to the United States in the mid-1980s. Her father is from Jordan, her mother from Morocco. Growing up in Houston, home to the largest Muslim population in Texas, Ghwari said she worked hard to answer questions from strangers who didn't understand her religious beliefs. She works with the Muslim American Vote, a Houston-based group dedicated to increasing voter turnout in the community.

She said she's used to feeling like an outsider, but not to the degree she's experienced in the past week.

"I already knew there was the fear, but I didn't know there was the hate, too," Ghwari said. "When people look at me, all that they can see is a foreign woman."

Rather than having to engage with celebrating

Trump supporters, Aicha Fokar, a senior at Texas Tech University in Lubbock, decided to skip class the morning after the election.

"I decided to avoid a situation where things could get out of control," she said. "For my own sake, I wanted to minimize interactions."

Still, Fokar said, she plans to continue wearing her hijab and praying in public spaces, although she has friends who have stopped doing both. She knows even prayer can incur suspicion among non-Muslims.

"Physically, we can be identified as Muslim. There's no avoiding it," Fokar said. "But I don't plan on taking off my headscarf. A lot of my sisters are refusing to change anything themselves — we're going to die fighting, and holding onto our ideals."

In his victory speech last Wednesday morning, Trump called for unity among Americans of all religions and pledged he would be "president for all Americans."

But his strong stance against Syrian refugees, and his willingness to entertain radical ideas about how Muslim Americans should be treated, have Khan questioning her future in Trump's America. As a woman, she said, she was horrified by Trump's comments about sexually assaulting women.

"I feel like I'm in solidarity with every woman today," she said.

But her visibility as a Muslim woman sets her further apart.

Although she's getting her master's degree in public administration at UTD, Khan said she finds herself reconsidering the trajectory of her career.

"I've dedicated my life to public service, and I intend to work in the public sector one day," Khan said. "I want to dedicate my entire life to helping people. But it feels like they don't want me here."

## State news in brief

### Lawmakers pre-file bevy of bills ahead of 2017 session

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Lawmakers have pre-filed more than 500 bills on the first day to propose legislation before the Texas Legislature reconvenes in January.

Among the frenzy of would-be laws submitted in both chambers on Monday were several high-profile abortion proposals.

One sure to spark heated debate would prohibit aborting fetuses with abnormalities after 20 weeks of pregnancy. Current Texas law suspends a post-20-week abortion ban when fetal abnormalities are detected, or if the mother's life is threatened.

Other bills sought to offer pre-kindergarten for all Texas 4-year-olds, cut the franchise tax paid by businesses and exempt the state from daylight saving time.

During the last session in 2015, state legislators filed more than 6,200 bills

and approved 1,300-plus new laws.

The next legislative session begins Jan. 10.

### Texas student dies after falling from bus when door opens

EDINBURG, Texas (AP) — South Texas authorities say a middle school student has died after he fell from a moving bus when its rear, emergency door swung open.

The bus was one of three taking Harlingen students on a field trip Monday to the University of Texas campus in Edinburg.

It's not clear if the boy may have opened the door or if it malfunctioned. He was taken to a hospital where he died.

Harlingen school district spokesman Shane Strubhart tells *The Brownsville Herald* that no other students were hurt and that parents of the student on the trip are being

called.

### 2 sentenced to prison for disrupting Southwest flight

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — Two California men convicted of disrupting a Chicago-bound Southwest Airlines flight have been sentenced to prison.

Jonathan Khalid Petras and Wisam Imad Shaker were sentenced Monday after their June convictions in Amarillo, Texas, on charges of interfering with a flight crew and aiding and abetting.

U.S. District Judge Sidney Fitzwater sentenced the 21-year-old Petras to seven months in prison.

The 23-year-old Shaker got five months in prison. Both could have been sentenced to up to 20 years in prison each.

An affidavit says six men boarded Flight 1522 in San Diego last August and were seated together when they became aggressive and used obscene

language when denied alcohol. Pilots eventually diverted the plane to Amarillo.

### Chili's removes manager who took away vet's meal

DALLAS (AP) — The president of the Chili's restaurant chain says the manager who took away a veteran's free Veterans Day meal has been "removed" from the job.

In a statement issued Monday, Chili's President Kelli Valade also said she personally apologized to Ernest Walker for the manager's actions and thanked him for his service to the country.

Ernest Walker posted a video to Facebook on Friday of the manager removing his meal at a Chili's in the Dallas suburb of Cedar Hill.

The Army veteran wrote that the meal was removed after another diner questioned the uniform Walker was wearing.



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## AAA predicting biggest Thanksgiving travel rush in 9 years

DALLAS (AP) — The slowly improving economy could boost travel over the Thanksgiving holiday to levels not seen in nine years.

AAA forecasts that 48.7 million Americans will travel, the busiest Thanksgiving period on U.S. roads and skies since 2007, the year before the global financial crisis plunged the U.S. economy into a deep recession.

The auto club AAA said Tuesday that it expects 1 million more Americans to venture at least 50 miles from home, a 1.9 percent increase over last year.

The forecast was assembled at research firm IHS, which said it considered jobs, household net worth, the stock market, prices for gasoline and airline tickets, and other factors.

The researchers did their number crunching in mid-October, about three weeks before the surprising outcome in the presidential election.

The AAA forecast predicts that from Wednesday, Nov. 23, through Sunday, Nov. 27, about 43.5 million Americans will take long car trips, 1.9 percent more than last year. AAA expects 3.7 million will travel by air, a 1.6 percent increase. Bus and train trips will grow less than 1 percent, the auto group said.

An airline-industry trade group is a bit more bullish. Airlines for America predicts that air travel will rise 2.5 percent over last year's holiday, although the group considers Thanksgiving travel spanning a 12-day period that begins Nov. 18.

## Judge to hear more testimony about Bergdahl search mission

FORT BRAGG, N.C. (AP) — A judge will hear more arguments Tuesday about whether injuries to soldiers on a search mission should be allowed as evidence that U.S. Army Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl endangered comrades by walking off his post in Afghanistan.

On Monday, the judge, Army Col. Jeffery Nance, also agreed to delay Bergdahl's trial by several months until May 15, 2017.

Prosecutors asked for the delay because of the slow pace at which they're getting approval to turn over classified evidence.

Prosecutors are arguing that two wounded soldiers' injuries should be allowed as evidence to show that Bergdahl's disappearance effectively put other military members in harm's way.

Bergdahl is charged with desertion and misbehavior before the enemy, the latter of which carries a maximum penalty of life in prison.

U.S. Air Force Maj. John Marx testified about a firefight that occurred after he and several others joined about 50 members of the Afghan National Army on a search for Bergdahl.

They were attacked by enemy fighters after setting up a checkpoint near a town in Afghanistan on July 8, 2009.

Marx testified about fighting alongside U.S. Army National Guard Sgt. 1st Class Mark Allen, who was shot in the head during the firefight.

Prosecutors said Allen suffered a traumatic brain injury that has left him in a wheelchair and unable to communicate. Another soldier had hand injuries and required surgery because of a rocket-propelled grenade.



AP Photo  
Army Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl is seen leaving a courtroom after a pretrial hearing in Fort Bragg, N.C., Monday, Nov. 14, 2016. Bergdahl faces a military trial in 2017 on charges of desertion and misbehavior before the enemy after walking off his post in Afghanistan in 2009.

Marx, who said the mission's sole purpose was to search for Bergdahl, testified that he was next to Allen as bullets flew around them.

"I looked at him, then I see a trickle of blood coming down his head," Marx testified. Asked where Allen was wounded, Marx pointed at his temples and said: "Right through his head."

Bergdahl, dressed in a white shirt and blue pants, appeared stoic as he listened.

Marx and two others involved in the firefight said they came from another part of Afghanistan to take part in a hastily planned search mission. They had been embedded with Afghan soldiers to help train them.

Prosecutors have said evidence of the injuries will help them show that Bergdahl endangered his comrades, one of the elements of the misbehavior before the enemy charge.

Defense attorneys have argued that Bergdahl was not responsible for the injuries, writing in a motion earlier this year that: "Allen's injuries were directly caused by the Taliban, not by SGT Bergdahl."

## Benjamin Franklin's gravestone develops crack from pennies

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A fundraising campaign has been launched to save the damaged gravestone of Benjamin Franklin at the Christ Church Burial Ground in Philadelphia.

The Christ Church Preservation Trust tells The Philadelphia Inquirer that the marble ledger tablet marking Franklin's final resting place has recently developed a significant crack.

The ritual of tossing pennies onto Franklin's grave has been blamed for causing the crack.

Tens of thousands of coins are thrown onto the marker each year in tribute of Franklin's famous adage, "a penny saved, is a penny earned."

Franklin, who died in 1790, is one of seven signers of the Declaration of Independence buried at the two-acre graveyard across from Independence Mall.

The trust has received grants to restore the gravestone but is seeking another \$10,000 for the project.





### AP TOP 25 HEAT CHECK: Balancing body of work and improvement

By RALPH D. RUSSO

AP College Football Writer

Over the course of the season, some teams get better and others get worse, but voters in The Associated Press college football poll also rank teams on their full body of work.

The result is a best resume or best team debate that can get complicated — as the College Football Playoff selection committee can attest. The fact is some of the two criteria are blended into the AP Top 25 and the playoff rankings.

After a weekend of surprising results re-arranged the AP Top 25 from top to bottom, the biggest challenge for the voters was how to handle teams that seem to be ascending and descending as the season hits the home stretch.

Heat check assesses how they did. (Note: too hot = ranked too high; too cold = ranked too low).

No. 1 Alabama (10-0)

The Crimson Tide romped while so many contenders fell, and more than any other player this season, it feels like everybody else is playing for second.

Next: Chattanooga.

Heat check: Just right.

No. 2 Ohio State (9-1)

The Buckeyes' offensive problems seem to be solved.

Next: at Michigan State.



AP Photo/Charlie Neibergall

**Michigan coach Jim Harbaugh reacts to a call in front of quarterback Wilton Speight (3) during the second half of an NCAA college football game against Iowa, Saturday, Nov. 12, 2016, in Iowa City, Iowa.**

Heat check: Just right.

No. 3 Louisville (9-1)

More eye-test than resume. And the Cardinals did lose at Clemson.

Next: at Houston, Thursday.

Heat check: Too hot.

No. 4 Michigan (9-1)

The Wolverines are now 2-1 on the road, with victories against Rutgers and Michigan State.

Next: vs. Indiana.

Heat check: Too hot.

No. 5 Clemson (9-1)

It is tempting to compare this year's Tigers to last season's. They don't quite stack up, but compared to the other contenders, Clemson is still better than just about anybody else.

Next: at Wake Forest.

Heat check: Too cold.

No. 6 Wisconsin (8-2)

The Badgers are getting a lot of credit for competitive losses to Ohio State and Michigan and a victory against the Week 1 version of LSU. Solid secondary wins against Northwestern, Nebraska and Iowa.

Next: at Purdue.

Heat check: Just right.

No. 7 Washington (9-1)

The Huskies lost to the most talented team they have faced so far in USC. With two weeks left in the regular season, it still feels as if Washington has much to prove.

Next: Arizona State.

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### All-Star OF Desmond turns down qualifying offer from Rangers

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — All-Star outfielder Ian Desmond has turned down a \$17.2 million qualifying offer from the Texas Rangers.

The Rangers announced Monday that Desmond had turned down the qualifying offer. The free agent can still negotiate with the AL West champions.

If Desmond signs with another club before the amateur draft next June, the Rangers would receive a draft pick as compensation at the end of the first round.

Desmond last winter turned down a \$15.8 million qualifying offer from the Washington Nationals, the team for which he was a shortstop the previous seven seasons. Desmond signed an \$8 million, one-year deal with Texas during spring training and converted to the outfield.

Desmond hit .285 with 22 homers and 86 RBIs in 156 games for Texas.

### Prescott over Romo for now; how far can Cowboys go with rookie?

FRISCO, Texas (AP) — The issue is no longer whether Dak Prescott will start ahead of a healthy Tony Romo for Dallas.

Now the question is how far the Cowboys can go with a rookie quarterback after they tied a franchise record with their eighth straight win and a few hours later ended up with the NFL's best record when New England lost to Seattle.

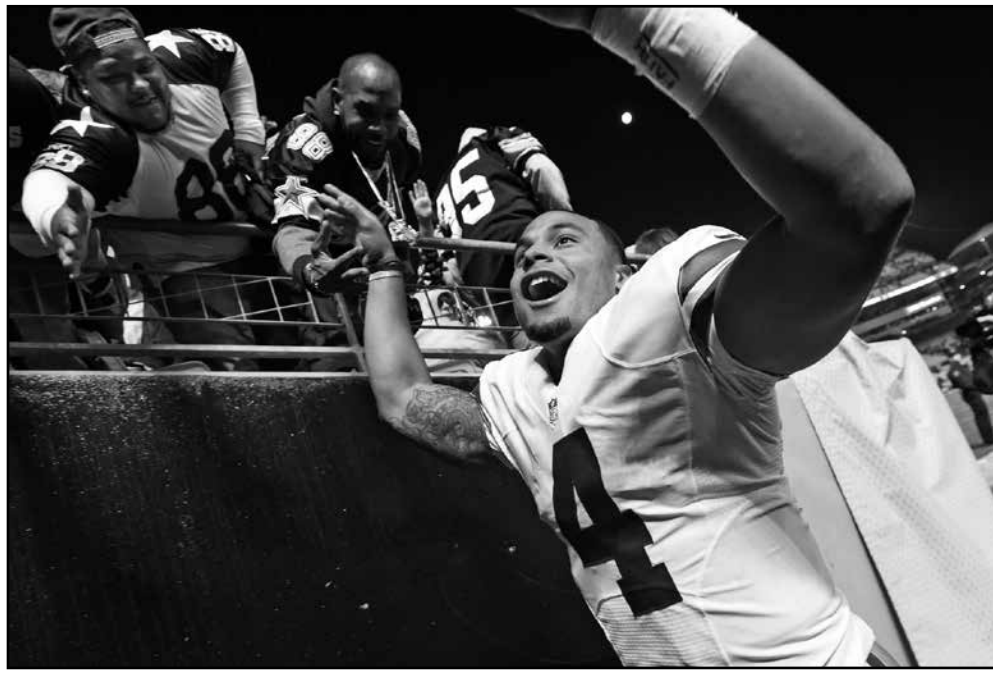
Prescott's performance in the fourth quarter of a wild 35-30 win at Pittsburgh stole any of the surprise there might have been with owner and general manager Jerry Jones declaring afterward that Romo would be the backup Sunday at home against Baltimore (5-4).

It will be a few days shy of a year since the last time the 36-year-old Romo was active for a game. And it has been 10 years since Romo, who broke a bone in his back in a preseason game, wasn't the Dallas starter.

The team's longest same-season winning streak since Roger Staubach took Dallas to the Super Bowl 39 years ago makes the decision easy.

"It's just going with the obvious," Jones said. "I get asked about it every time I open my mouth. It's not hard. It's not hard at all. Tony would make the same decision."

Prescott directed two 75-yard touchdown drives in the fourth quarter with the Cowboys (8-1) trailing the Steelers by a point each time. While



AP Photo/Don Wright

**Dallas Cowboys quarterback Dak Prescott (4) celebrates after an NFL football game against the Pittsburgh Steelers in Pittsburgh.**

fellow standout rookie Ezekiel Elliott finished both with touchdown runs, Prescott made several big throws.

On the winning drive that started with 42 seconds left after the Steelers went ahead, Prescott completed a 13-yarder to Jason Witten one play before another completion to the tight end ended with a facemask penalty that put the Cowboys in field-goal range before Elliott's winning run with 9 seconds remaining.

Dallas trailed most of the game in part because of a lost fumble by

Prescott early.

"That's one of the most important parts of that position is to be able to handle the adversity of it," coach Jason Garrett said. "From series to series, from quarter to quarter, half to half and throughout the ballgame, you've just got to keep banging away."

Elliott's numbers are getting more attention because he's the NFL rushing leader (1,005 yards) and has a shot at Eric Dickerson's rookie record (1,808 yards in 1983). But Prescott is

completing 67 percent of his passes with 14 touchdowns and two interceptions.

The 23-year-old from Mississippi State — a fourth-round pick after the Cowboys couldn't pull off a trade for Paxton Lynch, who went to Denver in the first round — has road wins over a pair of Super Bowl champions in Green Bay's Aaron Rodgers and the Steelers' Ben Roethlisberger.

And Prescott essentially outduelled Roethlisberger, who threw for 408 yards and executed a fake-spike touchdown pass to put the Steelers ahead in the final minute.

"You see what a veteran quarterback can do," Jones said. "But you also see what Dak can do. That was a pretty nice little template to look at right there."

A month ago, the Cowboys figured to have a touchy subject looming. Not now, says Jones.

"There is no fragileness about this, with the team or the coaches," Jones said. "Dak is earning his way. Tony has earned his way. Both of them can play quarterback well enough to win games."

And the Cowboys have upgraded the backup job, with Romo replacing Mark Sanchez.

NOTES: Garrett said TE Geoff Swaim will have surgery for a pectoral injury. He is expected to be out for the season. ... Garrett said CB Orlando Scandrick should be OK coming out of the concussion protocol.

### Knicks beat Mavs 93-77

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Knicks spent \$72 million to make Joakim Noah the anchor of their defense.

On Monday, they sat him down and turned around a game.

Carmelo Anthony and Kristaps Porzingis each scored 24 points, and the Knicks rolled after a halftime lineup change and beat the short-handed Dallas Mavericks 93-77.

The Knicks benched Noah, their big free-agent signing, starting guard Justin Holiday and moving Porzingis to center in a small lineup. They responded by scoring 31 points in the third quarter after

managing just 36 in an ugly first half.

"Second half was really good. Coach made the decision to play small," Noah said. "I didn't get to play, everybody wants to play, but it's good that we won. We found a way. It was much-needed."

Anthony scored 17 in the third quarter and 20 in the second half after shooting 1 for 6 in the first half. Porzingis finished with 11 rebounds, though coach Jeff Hornacek doesn't think his move to starting center is going to be permanent.

"Just because it was good in the second half



AP Photo/Mary Altaffer

**New York Knicks forward Maurice Daly Ndour (2) and forward Carmelo Anthony (7) stop Dallas Mavericks forward Dwight Powell, center, from scoring.**

doesn't mean we're going to change it," Hornacek said.

Harrison Barnes scored 20 points and

J.J. Barea had 17 for the Mavericks, who are still without Dirk

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### Leonard scores 24 points, Spurs hold off Heat, 94-90

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The Spurs got knocked around by the Miami Heat, especially in the second half. Some bumps and bruises weren't enough to stop a San Antonio team that finally had its starting five intact, though.

Kawhi Leonard had 24 points and 12 rebounds, LaMarcus Aldridge added 18 points and San Antonio held on to beat Miami 94-90 on Monday night.

The Heat held the Spurs to 26 percent shooting after halftime but couldn't find enough offense to prevent their fifth straight loss.

"You have to give them credit," Spurs point guard Tony Parker said. "They played great defense in the second half. They played with more energy and they played more physical. We have to find a solution next time."

San Antonio's projected starting five of Leonard, Aldridge, Parker, Pau Gasol and Danny Green made its home debut after injuries to the starting backcourt led to five different starting lineups in the team's first nine games.

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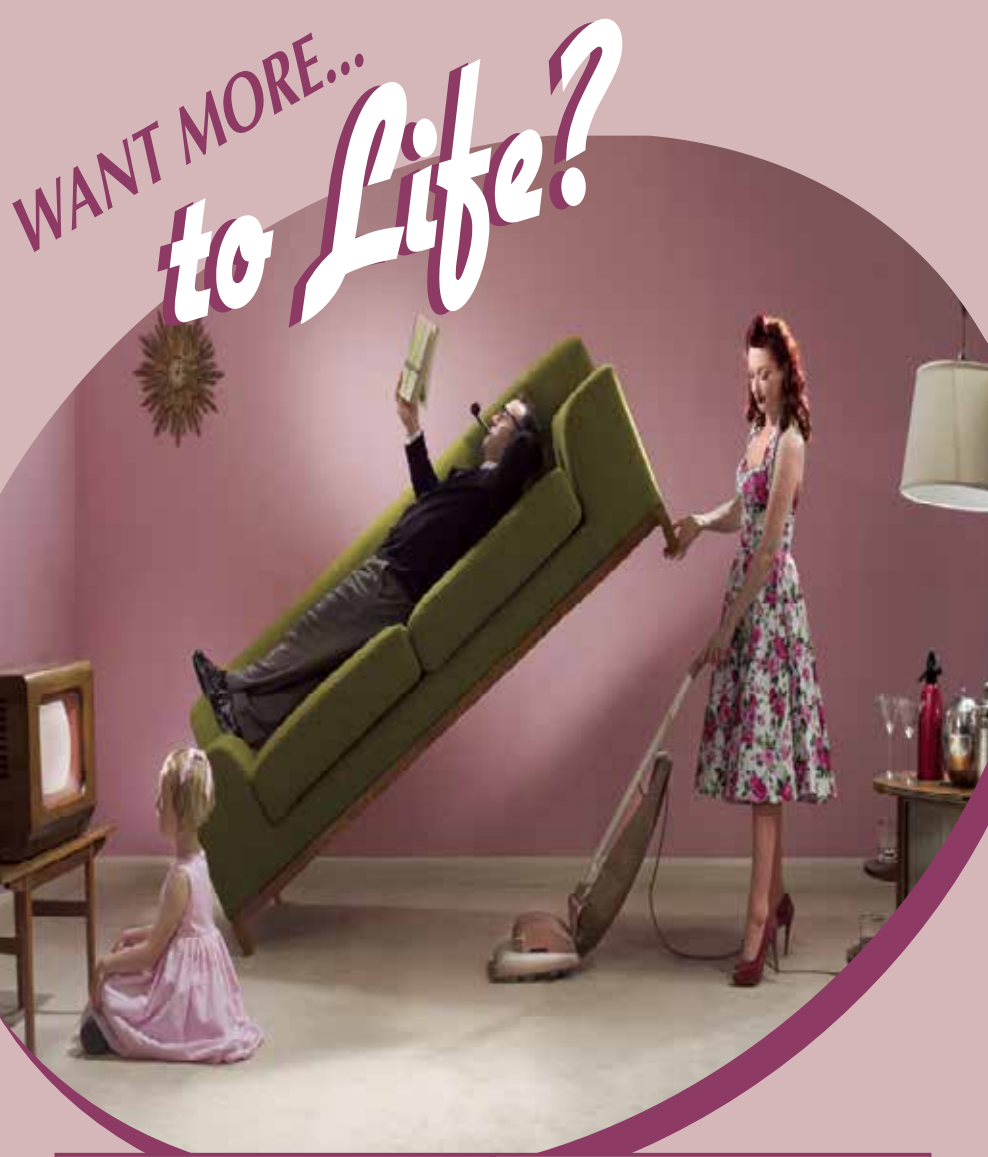
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Tomorrow's Horoscope



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Gemini Lunar Advice

Gemini lunar advice: There are people in our lives that we don't enjoy much, and yet they still serve an important role. Maybe they keep us in check. Or maybe they push us out of our comfort zones. Either way, we don't have to like them in order for them to be useful. Maybe they even enhance our lives more because of the wrong way they rub us.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** If you choose to speak up on matters (and there's much worth considering that will pull you in the opposite direction) then speak clearly and from a place of total knowledge.

**TAURUS (April**

**20-May 20).** Even those who don't believe in intuition have experienced it. They chalk it up to their brain working all-of-a-sudden faster. Maybe so. Or maybe it's just working deeper and wider. Whatever it is, you'll get it today.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** Strategy is not needed in all relationships. Those open, comfortable relationships are so precious because you don't need to overthink anything. Still, those relationships require care, too: Think of it as maintenance.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** You've developed quite a few ways of working around the people who stand in your way. When these are the same people you love with all your heart, it's harder -- but still possible, if that's what's necessary.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** This is your life. You're sharing it so nicely, but still... it's yours. What about an adventure you go on by yourself? That hasn't happened recently, if only because you haven't made it

happen. Now is as good a time as any!

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** The "What if?" game is a good way to break out of the confines holding you today. Get thinking about those "ifs," because some of them may actually be true.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Impulsiveness can be a good quality or a bad one. You're not usually given to act on impulse, though you'll definitely feel them tapping your psyche today. To feel it is one thing. To make your move is quite another.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Whomever it is you're mad at, make up. Don't do it for them; do it for you. Your energy flying in that direction could be better spent. There are opportunities coming your way.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** It's the simple things. Love people who love you back. Eat foods that agree with you. Move your body and you'll move your life. You'll think better when you drink more water.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Not everyone is going to be happy; that's a given. And yet, if you're doing your best, isn't it really (SET ITAL) their (END ITAL) fault for setting an unrealistic expectation?

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** First, just know that you don't have to have all of the answers. You don't even have to have one of them. Secondly, before you answer, think about how your answer is likely to change things.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** Here's some great news: Your best is totally good enough! You have moxie. You have style. You have guts. And you're in the perfect place to use all of that for good.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 15).** You're only greedy for the best things in life: love, beauty and truth. Because you seek them, this year will be unprecedented in its good fortune. The next 10 weeks will bring the presents straight to you, but after that you'll have to knock around to find oppor-

tunity. The initiative you show will bring you gold! Sagittarius and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 1, 44, 19 and 29.

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION:** "I'm a Scorpio. You wrote that honesty is liberating for Scorpions, and I've been practicing radical honesty lately. I love it. I told my sister that her stories are boring, my mom that her cornbread is dry and my girlfriend that I liked her old haircut better. Guess what? My sister won't talk to me, my girlfriend broke up with me, and Mom is making me make my own food. If honesty is so great, why does everyone hate it except me? Should I just go back to pretending?"

Sharing your negative opinions is honesty for amateurs and total jerks. Anyone can point out people's flaws and tear down their moods and self-esteem. A person of good character is usually looking for (and finding!) something nice to say that will build people up. As for the liberat-

ing kind of honesty, it's usually something starts with you telling the truth to yourself. For instance, maybe you can look deep into your own heart and psyche and ask: What is it that's really bothering me that I would want to alienate the people who love me? You may find the answer to that question liberating indeed.

**CELEBRITY PROFILES:** Happy birthday to the legendary Ed Asner, who's worked in the entertainment industry for over 50 years and has well over 300 acting credits for his work in movies and television with several projects in the works. Asner's natal sun, Mercury, Venus and Mars are in sharp-witted, honest and passionate Scorpio. His moon is in enduring Taurus -- a position of strength and longevity.

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Annie's Mailbox

You Reek

**Dear Annie:** I have been happily married for 25 years. "Mike" is a wonderful husband with a flaw -- his personal hygiene. He showers only once or twice a week, and then when he does, he'll put on the same dirty pants he wore for the past three days. I have asked him, numerous times, to bathe more frequently and to change his underwear and socks daily, whether or not he bathes. (He knows I don't mind doing

laundry, so that's not his excuse.) He comes home from work and doesn't change out of his dusty clothes, and then he sits on the furniture, leaving dirt and body odor. He can't smell it, so he thinks I am oversensitive and overreacting. I am so frustrated and at my wits' end.

Annie, I know he reads your column every day and hope he will recognize himself in this letter. I don't know how else I can get through to him. Please help. -- Anonymous

Dear Anony-

**mous:** Your husband may be depressed, as poor personal hygiene is a symptom of self-neglect and can signal a major depressive disorder. Or he may just be lazy. If he seems mentally healthy otherwise and he truly thinks you're just being overly sensitive, then I'm guessing it's the latter.

Beyond affecting your love life (as I'm sure this has), there are other serious consequences. When a person doesn't shower often enough, his skin becomes hospitable to bad bacteria and vulnerable to all sorts of infections.

He should be showering three (or more) times a week if he leads a sedentary lifestyle, daily if he works out or does

manual labor. And he should be wearing a fresh pair of underwear every day.

If he doesn't believe you and me, have him consult his physician. He can either get into the shower or get into the doctor's office.

**Dear Annie:** I am an 18-year-old freshman at college. I had a wonderful high-school experience -- varsity volleyball, tons of friends and two wonderful parents. I worked hard and got good grades.

During my first semester at school, I have started to constantly worry that I am going to get sick and die. The other day, I had a headache and was convinced that I had a brain tumor. I went to urgent care

and asked whether I needed an MRI. The professionals there said that there was nothing seriously wrong, that I was probably dehydrated.

I am constantly washing my hands for fear that I will get sick. It is starting to affect my concentration in class because every time I get a cramp or a pain in my stomach, I think I am dying. I want to enjoy myself and go back to not being preoccupied with getting sick. -- Wanting to Stop Worrying and Start Living.

**Dear Wanting:** Make no mistake; moving away from home for the first time is a big deal. It's very natural for teens to feel anxiety during their freshman year of college. But as you've

recognized, your anxiety is more intense than the average student's. Your preoccupation with getting sick -- which is known as hypochondria -- could be your way of dealing with that.

Consult your college counselor, and practice more positive self-talk to help cope with these thoughts when they come up. Your mental health is extremely important, and I'm glad you realize that.

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By Steve Becker  
The delicate art of defense

North dealer.  
North-South vulnerable.  
**NORTH**  
♠ J 4 3  
♥ A J 9  
♦ 10 8  
♣ A K J 7 6

**WEST**  
♠ A Q 9 5  
♥ 6 4 2  
♦ A K J 7  
♣ 10 5

**EAST**  
♠ 8 7 6  
♥ 7 5  
♦ Q 5 4 3 2  
♣ 9 4 2

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♠ K 10 2  
♥ K Q 10 8 3  
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The bidding:  
North East South West  
1♥ Pass 1♥ Dble  
2♥ Pass 3♥ Pass  
4♥

Opening lead — king of diamonds.

Defenders often signal each other in a variety of ways during the play in an effort to find the best defense. Without signals, and without the use of other standard agreements designed to overcome the natural advantage of the declarer, it would be next to impossible for the defense to function effectively.

Take this case where South is in

four hearts and West leads the king of diamonds, on which East plays the five. What should West do next?

If he continues with a low diamond, East wins with the queen and returns a spade, and the contract goes down one. But if West cashes the ace of diamonds at trick two, or does anything else, the defense collapses, because there is then no way for West to score more than one spade trick.

How can West possibly know that his best play at trick two is a low diamond? Certainly, it is an unusual and seemingly risky play, but it is far from a shot in the dark.

For West, who is searching for a clue to the most effective defense, it should not be difficult to figure out that East signaled possession of the queen of diamonds by playing the five on the king. Ordinarily a five, a relatively low card, would not be construed as a positive signal.

But when West examines the first trick, he notes that the 4-3-2 are missing. It is surely reasonable for him to assume that East has one or more of these cards and hence is signaling that he has the queen. Since West urgently needs a spade lead from East, he underleads the ace and defeats the contract.

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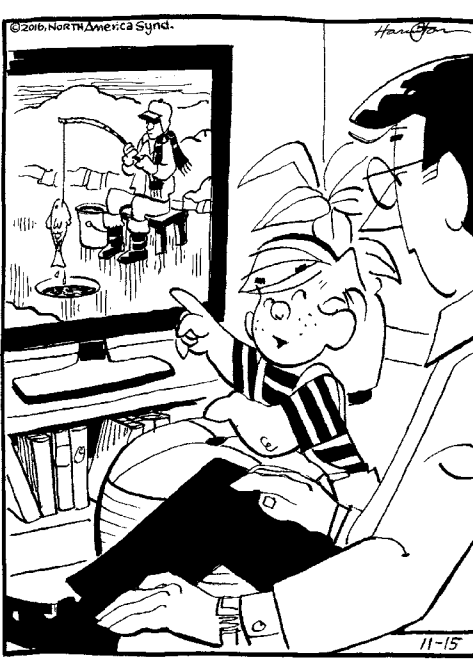
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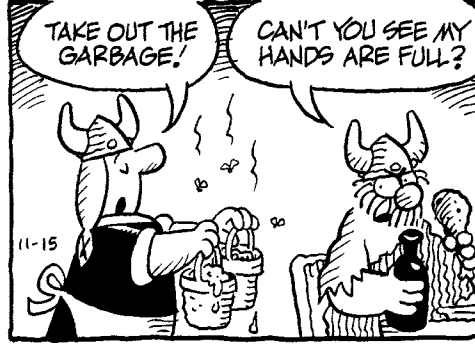
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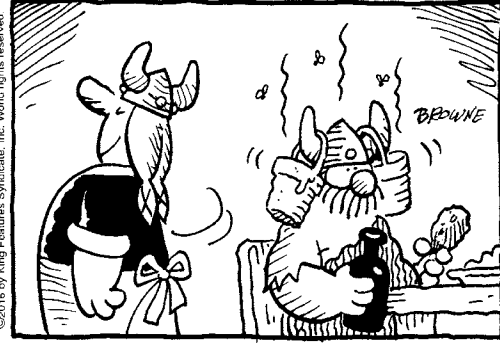


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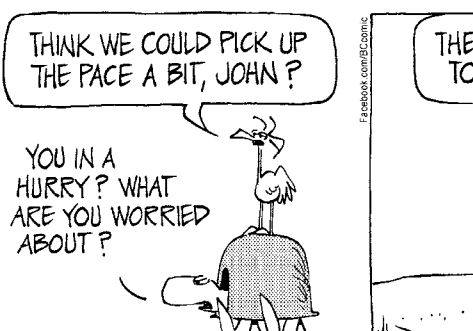
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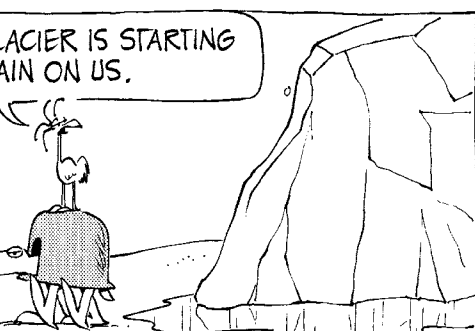
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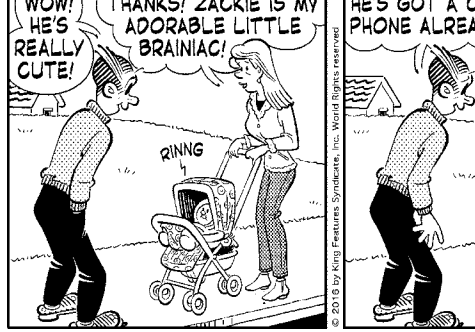
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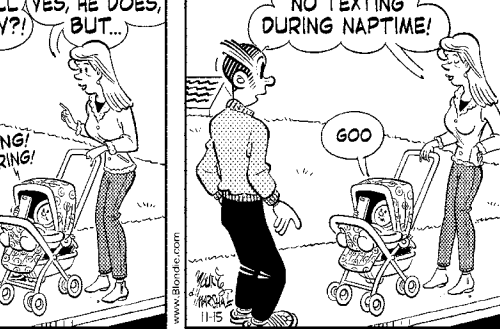
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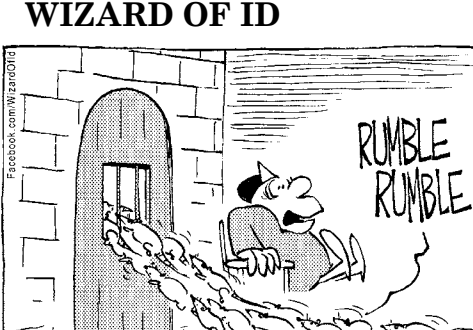
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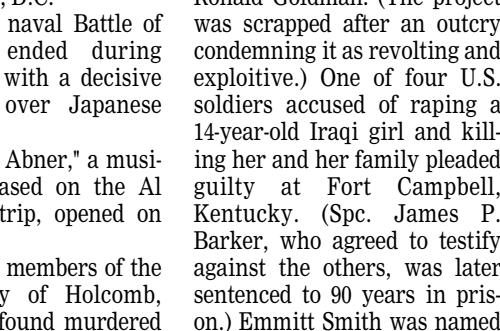
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**This Date In History**

Today is Tuesday, Nov. 15, the 320th day of 2016. There are 46 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**  
On Nov. 15, 1966, the flight of Gemini 12, the final mission of the Gemini program, ended successfully as astronauts James A. Lovell and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin Jr. splashed down safely in the Atlantic after spending four days in orbit.

**On this date:**  
In 1777, the Second Continental Congress approved the Articles of Confederation.  
In 1806, explorer Zebulon Pike sighted the mountaintop now known as Pikes (cq) Peak in present-day Colorado.  
In 1864, during the Civil War, Union forces led by Maj. Gen. William T. Sherman began their "March to the Sea" from Atlanta; the campaign ended with the capture of Savannah on Dec. 21.  
In 1889, Brazil was proclaimed a republic as its emperor, Dom Pedro II, was overthrown.  
In 1926, the National Broadcasting Company began operating its radio network.  
In 1939, President Franklin D. Roosevelt laid the corner-

stone of the Jefferson Memorial in Washington, D.C.  
In 1942, the naval Battle of Guadalcanal ended during World War II with a decisive U.S. victory over Japanese forces.  
In 1956, "Li'l Abner," a musical comedy based on the Al Capp comic strip, opened on Broadway.  
In 1959, four members of the Clutter family of Holcomb, Kansas, were found murdered in their home. (Ex-convicts Richard Hickock and Perry Smith were later convicted of the killings and hanged.)  
In 1979, the British government publicly identified Sir Anthony Blunt as the "fourth man" of a Soviet spy ring.  
In 1986, a government tribunal in Nicaragua convicted American Eugene Hasenfus of charges related to his role in delivering arms to Contra rebels, and sentenced him to 30 years in prison. (Hasenfus was pardoned a month later.)  
In 1996, former State Department official Alger Hiss, who fell from grace in a Communist spy scandal, died in New York just four days after his 92nd birthday.  
Ten years ago: O.J. Simpson caused an uproar with plans for a TV interview and book titled "If I Did It," in which Simpson described how he would have committed the 1994 slayings of his ex-wife, Nicole

Brown Simpson, and her friend Ronald Goldman. (The project was scrapped after an outcry condemning it as revolting and exploitive.) One of four U.S. soldiers accused of raping a 14-year-old Iraqi girl and killing her and her family pleaded guilty at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. (Spc. James P. Barker, who agreed to testify against the others, was later sentenced to 90 years in prison.) Emmitt Smith was named winner of ABC's "Dancing with the Stars" with his professional dance partner, Cheryl Burke.  
Five years ago: Hundreds of police officers in riot gear raided the Occupy Wall Street encampment in New York City in the pre-dawn darkness, evicting hundreds of protesters and then demolishing the tent city. The U.S. Postal Service said it had lost \$5.1 billion in the fiscal year ending Sept. 30.

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**Newsday Crossword**

**FACE VALUE** by Sally R. Stein

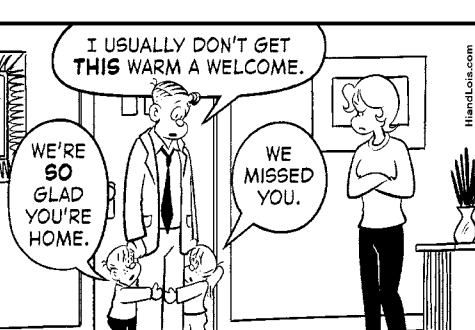
- ACROSS**
- 1 Kitchen cover-up
  - 6 Practice for a bout
  - 10 Potato bag
  - 14 Without an escort
  - 15 Measure with a stopwatch
  - 16 Actor Alda
  - 17 Give feedback
  - 18 Coral structure
  - 19 Tip of an airplane
  - 20 Cut the rind off
  - 21 With 50 Across, refraining from retaliating
  - 23 Address for a lady
  - 25 Cashew or almond
  - 26 Begin a losing streak
  - 29 Ballgame cancellations
  - 34 Fictional Scarlett
  - 35 Storage containers
  - 36 \_\_\_ Lanka
  - 37 Endure bad luck
  - 41 Exist
  - 42 Valentine flower
  - 43 Old-floor sound
  - 44 Lab cylinder
  - 47 Spins around
  - 48 Dashed away
  - 49 Plant's underground part
  - 50 See 21 Across
  - 55 Otherwise
  - 59 Before you know it

- DOWN**
- 1 Group for seniors
  - 2 "Not guilty," for one
  - 3 Sound of a lion
  - 4 All over again
  - 5 Tennis barrier
  - 6 Play a ukulele
  - 7 Docking place
  - 8 Solemn assent
  - 9 Make a table top look like new
  - 10 Serenaded
  - 11 Very much
  - 12 Wallet filler
  - 13 Leg joint
  - 21 Tiny bit
  - 22 Convent resident
  - 24 Jai \_\_\_
  - 26 Alluded to
  - 27 Chicago airport
  - 28 Birthday party desserts
  - 29 Remove suds from
  - 30 Poker starter
  - 31 Theater escort event
  - 32 Courtroom
  - 33 Loses altitude
  - 35 Nitwit
  - 38 Cut short
  - 39 Canyon sound
  - 40 Standards for evaluation
  - 45 Current styles
  - 46 Roofing goo
  - 47 Chinese frypan
  - 49 Bowling-lane button
  - 50 Norway's capital
  - 51 Frog relative
  - 52 Make sharper
  - 53 Informal greeting
  - 54 Moose relatives
  - 56 Scottish girl
  - 57 Farm's storage tower
  - 58 Paradise in Genesis
  - 61 Scrooge shout

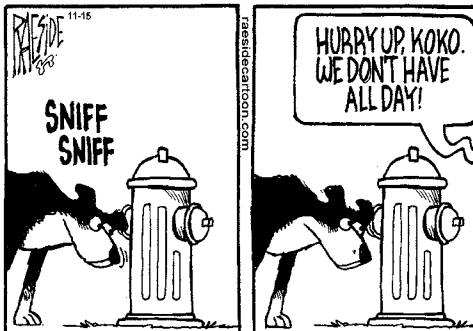
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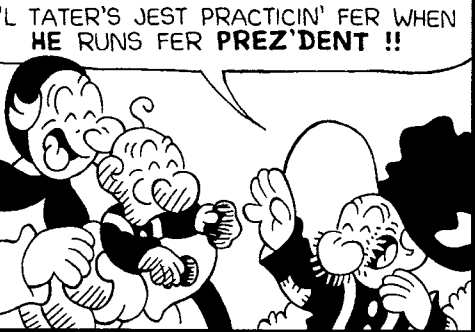
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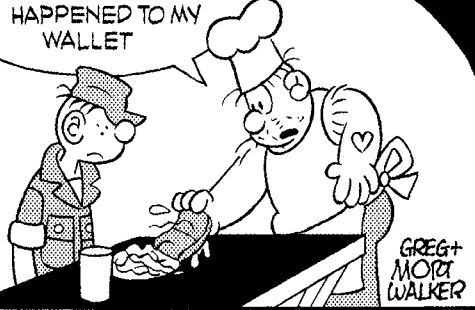
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NCAA

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Heat check: Just right. No. 8 Oklahoma (8-2) Those two early season nonconference losses will likely keep the Sooners out of the playoff, but their collection of offensive skill players might be the best in the country. Next: at No. 10 West Virginia. Heat check: Just right. No. 9 Penn State (8-2) There was early season Penn State that couldn't stop anybody with a bunch of banged-up linebackers. There is current Penn State that looks like a legit playoff contender. And there is future Penn State that might have to play out the last three weeks of

the season with a patchwork offensive line. Next: at Rutgers. Heat check: Just right. No. 10 West Virginia (8-1) Lots of lack-of-respect talk coming from Mountaineers fans, but West Virginia has lost its toughest game without being as dominant against other opponents as the teams ahead of it. Next: No. 8 Oklahoma. Heat check: Too hot. No. 11 Utah (8-2) The Utes beat Southern California at home in September. But that was early season Southern California. Next: vs. Oregon. Heat check: Too hot. No. 12 Colorado (8-2) The Buffaloes finish with Washington State, Utah and possibly a Pac-12 title game to make a

case as one of the best teams right now. Next: No. 20 Washington State. Heat check: Too hot. No. 13 Oklahoma State (8-2) That Central Michigan loss with the blown call by officials at the end is getting more problematic every week for the Cowboys and the Big 12. Next: at TCU. Heat check: Too hot. No. 14 Western Michigan (10-0) ESPN's "College Gameday" comes to Kalamazoo, Michigan, this week. Next: Buffalo. Heat check: Too hot. No. 15 Southern California (7-3) If the Trojans can get to the Pac-12 championship game, and they'll need some

help, there is a good chance they would be favored. Next: at UCLA. Heat check: Too cold. No. 16 LSU (6-3) No better running back duo than Leonard Fournette and Derrius Guice. Next: No. 21 Florida. Heat check: Too cold. No. 17 Florida State (7-3) Is the defense getting better or are the Seminoles just playing weak offenses. Probably more the latter than the former. Next: at Syracuse. Heat check: Too cold. No. 18 Auburn (7-3) You have to be able to throw the ball a little. Next: Alabama A&M. Heat check: Just right. No. 19 Nebraska (8-2) On the way to the least exciting 10-win season

in the country. Next: Maryland. Heat check: Too hot. No. 20 Washington State (8-2) The Cougars have gotten so much better, but most of the voters can't see past that loss to Eastern Washington. Mistake. Next: at No. 12 Colorado. Heat check: Too cold. No. 21 Florida (7-2) The Gators are still ranked, huh? Next: at No. 16 LSU. Heat check: Too hot. No. 22 Boise State (9-1) The Broncos beat Washington State in September by three at home. That does not make it required for Boise to be ranked ahead of the Cougars. But Broncos fans are going to make that case. Next: vs. UNLV,

Friday. Heat check: Just right. No. 23 Texas A&M (7-3) Aggies looking at a season during which they started unranked, rose to No. 6 and could head into bowl season unranked. Next: UTSA. Heat check: Just right. No. 24 San Diego State (9-1) How-did-that-happen result of the season: San Diego State was blasted at South Alabama. Next: at Wyoming. Heat check: Just right. No. 25 Troy (8-1) The Trojans have their first ranking ever and now count as a quality victory for Clemson. Next: Arkansas State. Heat check: Just right. Do we really need one of those inconsistent ACC team in the Top 25?

MAVS

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Nowitzki and Deron Williams. The remaining lineup was good enough to take a 39-36 halftime lead but got run off the floor once the Knicks returned with a different look. "This is where everybody has got to be totally together, help each other out, really focus on doing the little things at a high level," Mavs coach Rick Carlisle said. "I thought the first half we did that. In the second half we had breakdowns." Anthony made a 3-pointer to open the half and later had six straight points in the midst of the Knicks' 19-6 run that Holiday capped with a 3-pointer that made it 55-45. New

York outscored Dallas 31-12 in the period as the Mavs shot 5 for 20, and it was 67-51 headed to the fourth. Porzingis and Anthony made consecutive 3-pointers that pushed it to 82-64 midway through the period and soon both were on the bench for good. Noah, a defensive-minded center who battled injuries in his final season in Chicago, grabbed six rebounds in 16 scoreless minutes. He didn't play in the second half, while Holiday finished with 16 points. DIRK WORKS Nowitzki had a lengthy pregame workout on the court, but by then the Mavs had already determined that he would miss his fourth straight game with a sore right Achilles.

"I think he's really close. He's feeling a lot better and we just don't want to rush anything," owner Mark Cuban said. HELPING HAND Hornacek asked Carlisle if Nowitzki would work out with Porzingis in September. They couldn't get anything scheduled but both sides hope they can eventually. "Dirk's a giver, he would love to see every international guy have the same opportunities he's had," Carlisle said. "It's something that didn't work out because I think at the time in September Dirk's travel schedule and Kristaps' health situation didn't match up, but maybe sometime in the future. I know that Dirk would look forward to (it)."

SPURS

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Despite that, the Spurs committed a season-high 17 turnovers and got roughed up throughout. Gasol tumbled to the floor on several occasions, including crashing into the stanchion after being struck from behind by Dion Waiters on a layup. Green did not play in the second half after taking a knee to the groin in the first half. "Second half was probably one of our better defensive halves and we've had some really good defensive halves in games this year," Miami coach Erik Spoelstra said. The Heat pulled within 87-83 with two minutes remaining, but the Spurs were

able to extend their lead when Patty Mills and Leonard were fouled on consecutive possessions. Waiters, who tormented San Antonio in the playoffs last season while with Oklahoma City, had 27 points. He was 12 for 26 from the field but did not attempt a free throw. "That's the crazy part about, I'm not the type of guy that would question the referees on anything," Waiters said. "But I look at how many layup attempts I

got tonight, like 15, and I haven't gotten to the line one time." Center Hassan Whiteside had 23 points and 17 rebounds, giving him a double-double in eight of nine games this season. Gasol had 12 points, Parker added 11 points and six assists and Green was limited to three points in 15 minutes. The returning starters sparked a 21-6 run in the first quarter after the Spurs gave up the game's first four points.

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