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VA hospital leadership responds to 1-star rating

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

A story in last week's edition of the Herald reported that the West Texas VA Health Care system had received a 1-star rating out of 5 possible stars on the Strategic Analytics for Improvement and Learning (SAIL) Quality of Care assessment for Fiscal Year 2017.

This week, officials with the VA Medical Center sat down with Herald staff to discuss the low rating and the hospital staff's commitment to improving the quality of care it provides.

WTVAHC Director Kalautie JangDhari, Associate Director Manuel Davila and Associate Director of Pa-

tient Care and Nurse Executive Rebekah Friday, explained the rating from the viewpoint of the VA.

"Really what SAIL was intended to do for us, it was created internally by the VA, for us to measure ourselves against our peer groups within the VA, and also against ourselves, with how we performed the year prior. So those two measures," said Davila. "Although it's been touted as a quality measure, it's only one of many. The VA has many, many quality measures, and SAIL is only part of that."

Davila added that, on other assess-

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ments of the facility's effectiveness, West Texas VA Health Care has scored very well.

"We had the Joint Commission on Healthcare Accreditation. We had that survey this year, which is a triennial survey," he said. "It was validated for us, because we met what is called the 'Gold Standard' for the Joint Commission, which means we have best practices and things of that sort. That was really huge for us, because it really demonstrated that we're really providing good care."

In addition to the survey conducted by the Joint Commission, the Big Spring VA also recently passed the Office of the Inspector General's Comprehensive Healthcare Inspection Program, Davila said.

"We had the OIG Comprehensive Healthcare Inspection Program, which is like 'the Joint Commission on steroids,' we like to call it," he said. "They come in here, and they dig a great deal deeper. So they came in, a couple of weeks after the Joint Commission. We had a week lull, and then the OIG came in for their comprehensive review. And they came through and validated exactly the same things. We had very, very few, or no findings in many areas, and they identified us as a 'Best Practices' site as well. So that really validated for us that we're doing really wonderful things for our vets. That includes everything from the documentation to the delivery of care."

JangDhari added that the OIG

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Breakfast with Mr. and Mrs. Claus

By ERIN STEPHENS
 Staff Writer

Having trouble getting into the holiday spirit?

A breakfast with both Santa and his Mrs. Claus might be exactly what you need to get into a more festive mood this year. Children and adults are invited to the Heritage Museum of Big Spring for the annual "Breakfast with Santa" event this Saturday Dec. 2 from 8 a.m. to noon. Cost of the event is \$3 per child and this includes breakfast, Christmas craft projects, and the traditional decorated sugar cookie.

"To avoid too much people traffic, we've decided to do the activities in 30-minute increments this year," said museum director Tammy Schrecengost. "When guests first arrive, they'll first participate in breakfast with Santa, decorate Christmas cookies, then go upstairs where there will be several different Christmas-related crafts along with educational activities for children. Doughnuts, fruit, and milk will be served as children decorate their Christmas tree cookie. Door prizes for parents will be given away throughout the day as

Schrecengost said that due to limited space, the museum has to limit the number of adults in the crafting room to two, but parents may stand behind their children while they decorate their cookies. Once guests leave the craft room, they're encouraged to visit with Santa, Mrs. Claus, Frosty, and then tour the beautiful Christmas trees throughout the museum.

There will be over 60 individually decorated Christmas trees this year, part of the traditional annual "Christmas Tree Forest."

Additional options this year include something called "Animal Land," where children can stuff their own toy animal for \$20. The \$20 includes a birthday shirt, birth certificate, and carry bag for kids' creations. Additional outfits for the animals may be purchased for \$10.

"Breakfast with Santa is a fun activity and has become a kind of tradition with families in the area," said Schrecengost.

The event is sponsored in part by Dora Roberts Foundation and HEB. Anyone interested in attending Breakfast with Santa must first call 432-267-8255 to reserve a spot.

Contact Staff Writer Erin Stephens at 432-263-7331 ext. 232, or by email at citydesk@big-springherald.com.

A whole forest of Christmas trees



HERALD photo/Erin Stephens
 Members of local businesses and organizations work to decorate trees at the Heritage Museum of Big Spring's annual Christmas Tree Forest. More than 60 decorated trees make up this year's forest, which is on display now at the museum, located at 510 Scurry St.

Trump delays new policy on importing elephant trophies

By DONNA CASSATA
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Donald Trump said he's delaying a new policy allowing trophies of African elephants shot for sport to be imported until he can review "all conservation facts."

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service said Thursday it would allow such importation, arguing that encouraging wealthy big-game hunters to kill the threatened species would help raise money for conservation programs.

Animal rights advocates and environmental groups criticized the decision. California Rep. Ed Royce, the Republican chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, urged the administration to reverse

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It's Angel time again!



Courtesy photo
 Members of the Big Spring High School football team and girls' basketball team help the Big Spring Salvation Army kick off their annual Angel Tree program Thursday at the Big Spring Country Club. The program provides Christmas assistance for needy children and seniors.

Big Red farewell




Courtesy photo/Lyndel Moody
 Senior members of the Coahoma High School band clasp hands during their final football game of the season. For the story about the game, see page 1B

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Police blotter

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- **CODY RAY THOMPSON**, 31, of 538 Westover Rd., was arrested on a charge of theft of property in between \$100 to \$750/shoplifting.
- **TERRELL LANCE BELCHER**, 27, of 1008 SCR 1128, was arrested on a warrant of another agency.
- **APRIL FERN SMITH**, 31, of 3292 HWY 137, was arrested on a warrant of failure to display driver's license.
- **BRIAN MICHAEL GARZA**, 35, of 1401 W 5th, was arrested on warrants of failure to maintain financial responsibility, driving while license invalid, and four counts of failure to appear.
- **SHAYLOR WAYNE ANDERSON**, 28, of 5851 HWY 569, was arrested on a warrant of another

agency.

- **JOHN MICHAEL WALKINSON**, 32, of 2304 E FM 700, was arrested on a warrant theft of property less than \$2,500.
- **JEFFERY LEE FRAME**, 57, of 2911 W HWY 80, was arrested on the charge of public intoxication.
- **EDDIE JAY WHITE**, 25, of 1202 Runnels, was arrested on warrants of defective stop lamp, and possession of marijuana less than two ounces.
- **CODY LEE WEBSTER**, 22, of 500 Ray Rd., was arrested on a warrant of bail jumping and failure to appear.
- **THEFT** was reported on the 200 block of W FM 700, and at 7-11 on Gregg.
- **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported on the 100 Davis Rd.

Take Note

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

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

Food 2 Kids Big Spring needs you! It is time to start sacking food for Big Spring elementary students who do not receive adequate food over the weekends. Members of the community can be a part by volunteering to sack the food. It just takes a couple hours of your time and the work is very rewarding. To volunteer, just show up at the time and dates listed. For more information, call, 432-935-3998.

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

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

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

Dances are from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. with live bands. No alcohol or smoking permitted. There will be a pot luck as well so bring a dish if you want to eat.

Cost has dropped to \$5 per person thanks to a sponsor Marcy House, 2301 Wasson Road.

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

The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Tuesday of

each month a 7 p.m. in the basement of the Howard County Library.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Big Spring State Hospital Volunteer Services Council is in need of volunteers to fill a variety of needs to assist the hospital's patients. Applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at The Chalet, 115 E. Second St., Tuesday through Saturday between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. or at the Big Spring State Hospital Community Relations Department, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers can assist with a variety of functions, including The Chalet Resale Shop, various fundraisers and patient events. For more information, contact Dee Lindsey, Big Spring State Hospital Director of Community Relations, (432) 268-7535 or danielle.lindsey@dshs.state.tx.us

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Obituaries

Vernell Lilly

Vernell Lilly, 91, of Midland passed away Thursday, Nov. 17, 2017. A public viewing will be held from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 19, 2017, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home of Midland. Funeral Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Monday, Nov. 20, 2017, at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel.

Support Groups

SUNDAY

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

MONDAY

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

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

TUESDAY

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

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

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY

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

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

THURSDAY

GriefShare is a biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support). Weekly 10/5/17 through 01/11/18; 6:00 - 8:00 pm at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for more information.

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

SATURDAY

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

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VA

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assessment also identified some local successes that neither the Joint Commission assessment nor the SAIL rating measured.

"I wanted to add there, they even identified both groups best practices we do at this facility that other facilities don't do," she said. "So on top of the Gold Standard for the Joint Commission; for pharmacy, for instance. Imagine pharmacy in the rural environment that we're in. We're doing some extraordinary things in pharmacy to help care for our veterans. Hepatitis C treatments? We've been able to cure hepatitis C from over 176 veterans that we had. Those are the kinds of things that are amazing that people don't see because they're little nugget-type things that we have in our system."

So given these stellar reviews on other assessments, why did SAIL seem to indicate that the hospital might be dropping the ball?

"It's the different rating systems, fortunate or unfortunate as it is," JangDhari said. "I'm not trying to deny: We're 1-star, and we're really making great efforts to move forward with 1 star."

Part of the issue is lag in reporting for the SAIL system, she said.

"It's the different elements they're looking at, they don't change quickly," JangDhari said. "That's because the surveys and the things they do occur quarterly. So every quarter, there's an update on things, and what you get at the end of the year is what they present to the world, which is the cumulative 1-star rating at the end of the year. There were two quarters in 2016 that we were moving up. And then when things happen, especially at a smaller facility... I lose a doc, my work load goes down for the period of time it takes me to recruit another doc and get them up to speed. My patient satisfaction levels, of course, go down. What we have seen in the past year is, we have had some turnover. Some high turnover."

Nursing is often a particularly volatile area of

turnover, she said.

"About two years ago, we had the worst turnover rates for nurses in the nation," said JangDhari. "Last year, we were the best. One of the best. And now, we kind of move back and forth. You know the transition of people in and out of Big Spring. What happens is, bigger facilities, they can absorb the loss more quickly. Our loss impacts the entire system."

Friday explained the nursing situation in more detail.

"We were at 26.7 percent turnover, which is pretty significant for nursing. That really is higher than even in the civilian community," she said. "But we came down to 4.7, which is pretty significant and is even better than in the civilian community, and we were one of the top facilities across the VA. Like Mrs. JangDhari said, we've kind of waxed and waned a little bit, but we've ever gotten back above 8 percent. And we're back up again with good staffing, and we expect that the next rating that comes out will be good to go again."

Now that turnover has declined, JangDhari said the hospital's focus has shifted from simply hiring providers, to hiring providers who are specifically committed to care of veterans.

"It was the fact that we were trying to get anybody that had a heartbeat and a credential, not in that bad a way, but it was to make sure that we could get somebody to see our patients," she said. "And what we're looking at now is, I need a valued, credentialed person that has a commitment to veterans' care. That's what we're doing when we interview. I tell every one of my new employees when they come in, 'We all have these credentials that get us the interview, but what gets us the job here now at this facility now, and we all made a dedicated effort, is you have that mission focused commitment to take care of veterans.' We are honored to do that."

JangDhari said that the SAIL system is a comparative rating, and it's set up so that some VA facilities are placed at each star level.

"I think one thing that's important when we talk

about SAIL is that SAIL, in and of itself, is a comparison amongst our peer groups within the VA," she said. "There's such a concerted effort from the Secretary (of Veterans Affairs David Shulkin) to improve the VA that everybody is improving. So it's not just a matter of us improving and suddenly we're 2-, 3-, 4-, 5-star; the people that we're compared against are also improving."

Another issue is that much of the SAIL rating is based on survey responses from veteran patients, and are subject to perceptions of those veterans. One system, the Veterans Choice Program, allows the local hospital to decrease wait times for veterans by sending them to private healthcare providers in the community, and then paying their bill.

"You've probably heard about the Choice system, where they can get their care at the VA, or we can pay for their care in the community," JangDhari said. "Well, the highest weight of how we get rated on SAIL is patient perception. Perceptions mean everything. When you get these surveys to respond to, you get it based on your VA care."

Problem is, some veterans might fill out surveys based on care they received at private healthcare providers, rather than care received at the VA, JangDhari said.

"They tend to reference the last person. It's related to an episode of care that usually occurs at the VA, but when you respond, you're going to relate it to your last episode of care, which may be the VA sponsored, or the VA paid-for episode of care, and you went to that provider," she said. "I'm not using that as an excuse, but I need to make sure my providers understand that every rating I get might be based on a perception that the veterans have when they're seen by the provider."

The Herald will continue to monitor and report on the status of the West Texas VA Health Care System; which, in addition to providing care for thousands of veterans across the region, is the third-largest employer in Big Spring.

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TRUMP

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the policy, calling it the "wrong move at the wrong time."

Trump tweeted Friday that the policy had been "under study for years." He said he would put the decision "on hold" and review it with Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke.

Zinke issued a statement later Friday saying: "President Trump and I have talked and both believe that conservation and healthy herds are critical. As a result, in a manner compliant with all applicable laws, rules and regulations, the issuing of permits is being put on hold as the decision is being reviewed."

Royce questioned the action because of concerns not only about African wildlife but U.S. national security, citing the political upheaval in Zimbabwe, where the longtime president was placed under house arrest this week by the military.

"The administration should withdraw this decision until Zimbabwe stabilizes," the committee chairman said in a statement. "Elephants and other big game in Africa are blood currency for terrorist organizations, and they are being killed at an alarming rate. Stopping poaching isn't just about saving the world's most majestic animals for the future — it's about our national security."

The Fish and Wildlife Service said in a written notice issued Thursday that permitting parts of elephants from Zimbabwe and Zambia to be brought

back as trophies will raise money for conservation programs. The change marks a shift in efforts to stop the importation of elephant tusks and hides, overriding a 2014 ban imposed by the Obama administration. The new policy applies to the remains of African elephants killed between January 2016 and December 2018.

"Legal, well-regulated sport hunting as part of a sound management program can benefit certain species by providing incentives to local communities to conserve those species and by putting much-needed revenue back into conservation," the agency said in a statement.

Royce said that when carefully regulated, conservation hunts could help the wildlife population, but "that said, this is the wrong move at the wrong time."

He described the perilous situation in Zimbabwe, where the U.S. Embassy has advised Americans to limit their travel outdoors.

"In this moment of turmoil, I have zero confidence that the regime — which for years has promoted corruption at the highest levels — is properly managing and regulating conservation programs," Royce said. "Furthermore, I am not convinced that elephant populations in the area warrant overconcentration measures."

The world's largest land mammal, the African elephant has been classified as threatened under the U.S. Endangered Species Act since 1979.

Silent no longer

HERALD photo/Amber Mansfield
Estella Stone, who was raised in Big Spring, is the author of "Keeping Silent: A Childhood lost." Here, she speaks at an assembly at Big Spring High School Thursday afternoon about her book, which details her abusive childhood and her struggle to stay positive despite the abuse she and her brother faced at the hands of her parents.



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Sweet potato royalty in Gilmer

We arrived in Gilmer the day before I was to keynote the all service club luncheon to kickoff the activities surrounding Yamboree, one of the largest festivals in Texas. It attracts upwards of 100,000 people. One of our hosts gave us tickets to the coronation of Queen Yam. I really didn't know what to expect, since Gilmer has a population of around 5,000.

As usually happens in small towns, the event exceeded my expectations by about a thousand percent. It was true pomp and circumstance on a par with a royal wedding or coronation in England. The queen and her court were presented along with a series of Duchesses, the Noble Order of the Garter and the Bearer of the Royal Scepter. Court dancers provided entertainment. All princesses had a royal

promenade around the packed auditorium and when it came time for Queen Madison Lee of the House of Dean to make her appearance, the crowd showed its appreciation with quiet respect. You could almost hear the smiles breaking across faces and heads nodding up and down. It was an elegant evening. The queen's train was at least twenty feet long. Four train guards managed the folds of material.

The coronation lasted more than two hours and the entire event was repeated the following night to accommodate the people who wanted to see it.

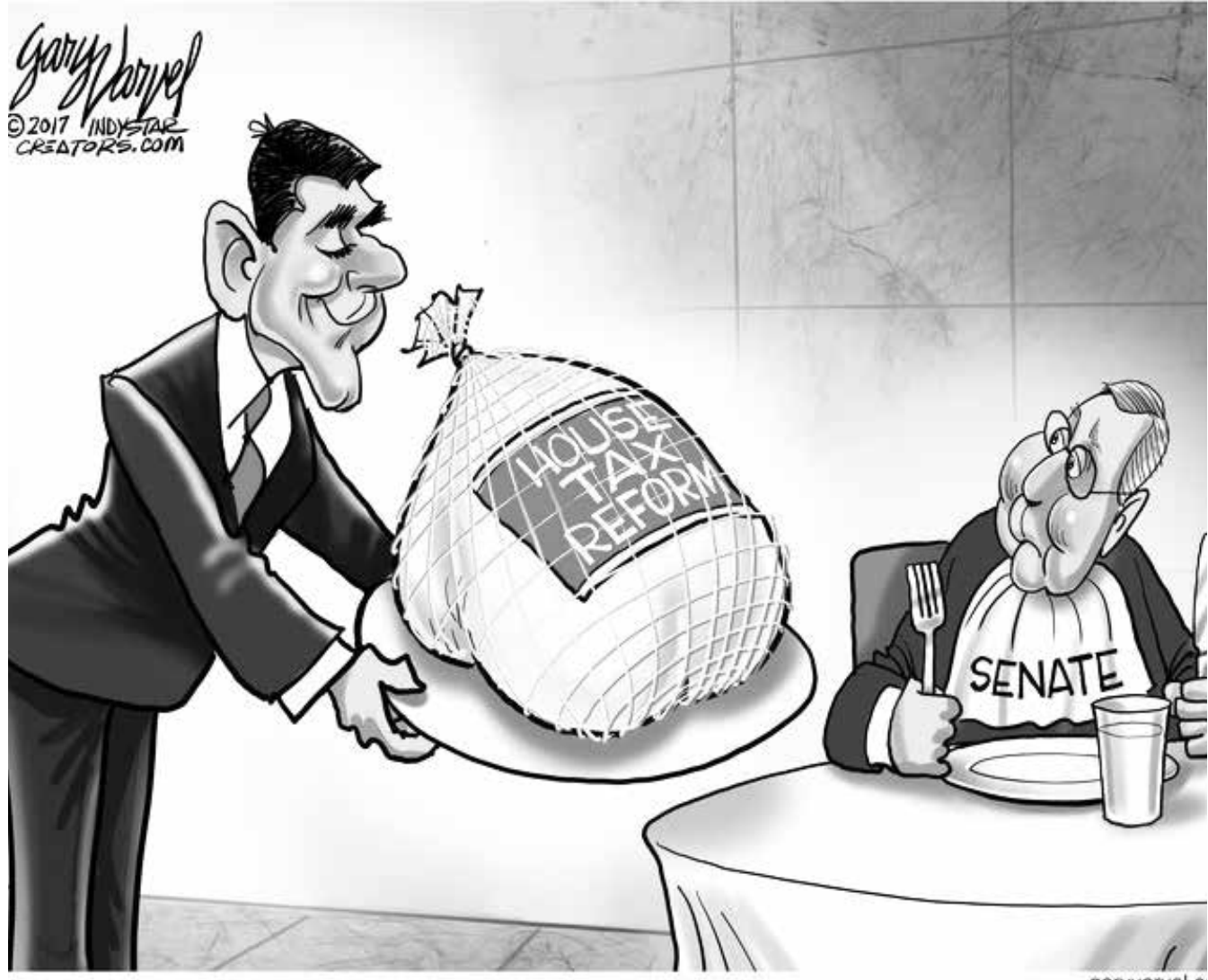
This is the 80th year for Yamboree. It was started in 1935, the same year Johnny Mathis was born in Gilmer. It was canceled for two years during WWII. The reason for the celebration is of course the sweet potato, a major crop in 1935 when the state encouraged communities to stage some sort of event for the state's centennial in 1936. A huge carnival takes place downtown and there are numerous contests involving yam pie and other delicacies made from the vegetable.

Booths offer all kinds of merchandise and there is an antique auto show. The program listing all the events is a narrow booklet with 140 pages.

Modest stands offering sweet potatoes for sale line the streets leading downtown. Schools turn out the Thursday and Friday of Yamboree weekend because kids are showing their animals in the livestock barn.

When I was asked to speak at the all service club luncheon I had no idea it was the event where US presidents, Texas governors, heads of major industries and other prominent people have graced the podium. The crowd filled the high school gymnasium and the entire experience was a humbling one for me.

I did manage to interview some yam farmers, the president of the Yamboree Brandon Garmon and of course, Queen Yam Madison Lee Dean. Joyce Raabe is in charge of judging the yam pie contest. She told me no spices are allowed in the preparation of the pies. "It must be just sweet potato." Judges are from out of town.



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DAILY PRAYER

Dear Lord,

Thank you for the season of family and thankfulness. Amen.

Who ya' gonna believe?

My Uncle Mort—described by his neighbors in the thicket as being “a couple of coats short of a paint job”—seems to be snagged on the horns of a dilemma. Or, maybe he's suffering from delayed effects of dueling air horns blasting “back in the day” at Kyle Field.

“It wasn't long ago that we didn't have to fake excitement for the Texas Aggies' football team. This was true during decades of competition with several other schools in the old Southwest Conference. And, with Thanksgiving at hand, we diehard fans have only memories of annual grudge matches with the University of Texas,” he laments.

For decades, he claims, “whoops, air horns and fans' admonitions for the Aggies to ‘gig’ all foes in sight” greatly overshadowed Kyle Field hoopla these days. “Today's crowd noise sounds more like chattering at Aunt Dinah's quilting party, the one from which the guy was seeing Nellie home,” my 105-year-old uncle whines.

Ah, but another point must be added if a dilemma is to emerge. And here 'tis: Mort says he's not talking about “boxcar loads of fake news and ‘stuff’ passed off as the gospel” by social media.

Instead, he thinks Aggie big-wigs may be resorting to an age-

old standby method—intentional changing of subjects.

They figure conversations need to be diverted from a lackluster football season to other things.

“Aggies want to talk about ratings, but not football ratings,” Mort opines. “So the big news from Texas A&M is about the U.S. News and World Report ranking the university's law school among the top 100 in the land.”

He points out that the Aggies have owned the law school for only four years since buying it from Texas Wesleyan University. He says this gives Aggie backers a different ranking to brag about. “Aspiring lawyers and football players can wave to each other as they pass,” he joked. “One bunch on the way up, and the other on the way down.”

As usual, Mort's not sure what to believe. He allows that he may simply “flip a coin.” Flip it, I say, there's no law agin' it.

Coin-flipping, by the way, becomes more complicated with the announcement by the corporation with 70 Dairy Queens in Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico that it is shuttering almost half of its stores.

At this time of year, coaches and superintendents of football play-off bound high schools often meet at halfway-point Dairy Queens for coin flips to determine where games will be played.

With so many Dairy Queens closing, they may have to flip a coin to decide where they'll meet to flip a coin.

They still talk about an historic 1940s coin flip that determined

where the basketball play-off game between Rankin and McCamey would be played. Rankin, with tall, beefy players, hardly ever lost in its gymnasium. The old structure's ceiling was exceedingly low, making outside shooting improbable, if not impossible.

Outside shooting, though, was the McCamey specialty, and its gym had a high ceiling.

Coaches and superintendents from the schools met in a dimly-lit Rankin office—a single bulb hanging from the ceiling—for the coin flip that would determine the play-off game site. All of them realized whichever way the coin fell likely would determine the district champion. A half-dollar was flipped; it landed in a crack of the old wooden floor. Its roll was dictated by the crack that meandered under an old desk. Coaches and administrators scrambled under the desk—learning in the near darkness and on all fours—that McCamey won the flip, and, a few days later, the game.

Yep, coin flips and luck of the draw determine many outcomes. There are, however, few absolute guarantees.

The sign on an auto repair shop, perhaps owned by a Texas Aggie, includes an important proviso.

It reads: “We Fix Suspensions—Unless You Are Ezekiel Elliott.”

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As sex scandals topple the powerful: Why not Trump?



AP photo

In this Nov. 15, 2017, photo, President Donald Trump speaks in the Diplomatic Reception Room of the White House in Washington. Trump is not usually one to sit out a political feeding frenzy. But now he's selectively aiming his Twitter guns at those under scrutiny for sexual misconduct. He's been largely silent about Alabama Senate candidate Roy Moore but hasn't hesitated to skewer Democratic Sen. Al Franken. It's a tricky matter for Trump: During the campaign, more than a dozen women stepped up to accuse him of sexual misconduct, and he was seen bragging in an old video about groping and kissing women.

By **NANCY BENAC** and **CALVIN WOODWARD**

Associated Press
 WASHINGTON (AP) — "You can do anything," Donald Trump once boasted, speaking of groping and kissing unsuspecting women.

Maybe he could, but not everyone can.

The candidate who openly bragged about grabbing women's private parts — but denied he really did so — was elected president months before the cascading sexual harassment allegations that have been toppling the careers of powerful men in Hollywood, business, the media and politics. He won even though more than a dozen women accused him of sexual misconduct, and roughly half of all voters said they were bothered by his treatment of women, according to exit polls.

Now, as one prominent figure after another takes a dive, the question remains: Why not Trump?

"A lot of people who voted for him recognized that he was what he was, but wanted a change and so they were willing to go along," theorizes Jessica Leeds, one of the first women to step forward and accuse Trump of groping her, decades ago on an airplane.

The charges leveled against him emerged in the supercharged thick of the 2016 campaign, when there was so much noise and chaos that they were just another episode for gobsmacked voters to try to absorb — or tune out. "When you have a Mount Everest of allegations, any particular allegation is very hard to get traction on," says political psychologist Stanley Renshon.

And Trump's unconventional candidacy created an entirely different set of rules.

"Trump is immune to the laws of political physics because it's not his job to be a politician, it's his job to burn down the system," says Eric Dezenhall, a crisis management expert in Washington.

Now Alabama Senate candidate Roy Moore, accused of assaulting teenage girls when he was in his 30s, is waving that same alternative rulebook.

Long a bane to establishment Republicans, Moore is thumbing his nose at calls by Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and other GOP members of Congress to drop out of the campaign, and accusing them of trying to "steal" the race from his loyal insurgents.

As for Trump, the president who rarely sits out a feeding frenzy is selectively aiming his Twitter guns at those under scrutiny.

He quickly unloaded on Democrat Al Franken after the Minnesota senator was accused Thursday of forcibly kissing and groping a Fox TV sports correspondent, now a Los Angeles radio anchor, during a 2006 USO tour.

Yet Trump has been largely mum as Washington Republicans try

to figure out what to do about Moore. McConnell and company have zero interest in welcoming an accused child molester to their ranks nor in seeing their slim 52-48 Senate majority grow even thinner should Moore lose to Democrat Doug Jones in a special election Dec. 12.

Trump did support moves by the national Republican Party to cut off money for Moore. But he hasn't said whether he still backs Moore's candidacy.

Spokeswoman Sarah Huckabee Sanders, pressed repeatedly on the matter this week, would say only that Trump "thinks that the people of Alabama should make the decision on who their next senator should be."

As for the allegations against Moore, Sanders said Trump finds them "very troubling."

As for Franken, presidential adviser Kellyanne Conway told Fox News that Trump had merely "weighed in as he does on the news of the day" when jabbing at the senator.

But Trump's broadsides at Franken served as an open invitation for critics to revisit his

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Wife of Alabama Senate candidate Moore says he won't quit

By **KIM CHANDLER**

Associated Press
MONTGOMERY, Ala. (AP) — The wife of Alabama Senate candidate Roy Moore said Friday her husband won't quit the race in the face of allegations that he sexually assaulted young women years ago.

Standing on the white marble steps of the state Capitol, Kayla Moore was joined by several dozen women at a rally supporting Moore as she spoke in defense of her husband.

The couple has been married for more than 32 years, and Kayla Moore said her Army veteran husband has always been a gentleman.

"He will not step down. He will not stop fighting for the people of Alabama," said Kayla Moore, who did not take questions.

Standing across the street, a single protester held a sign that said: "Roy Moore is a pedophile."

Moore has ignored mounting calls from Washington Republicans concerned that if he stays in the race against Democrat Doug Jones he may not only lose a seat they were sure to win but also may do significant damage to the party's brand among women nationwide as

they prepared for a difficult midterm election season.

Speaking with reporters in Birmingham on Thursday night, Jones said it was "really unfortunate" that state GOP leaders had chosen to discount the allegations of women and stick with Moore.

"One of the problems in this state is that people continue to put a political party above what is in the best interest of the state and what's in the best interest of the country," said Jones.

But women who joined Kayla Moore at the rally said the accusations of sexual misconduct don't fit with the man they know.

"I do not recognize the Roy Moore these ladies are describing," Ann Eubank, a longtime fixture in Republican politics.

On Thursday, Moore appeared alongside more than a dozen religious leaders who took turns bashing the Christian conservative's many critics — especially his female accusers.

Emotions ran high for some Moore supporters. Following an appearance by more than a dozen evangelicals who spoke on stage in support of Moore, some shouted down journalists who attempted to ask Moore about the women's accusations.

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Total Depth: 9500 feet
Latitude 032.433948, Longitude -101.368307. Datum: NAD 27
284' FSEL, 770' FNEL of 556.96-acre lease
284' FSEL, 770' FNEL of the survey

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Neighbors help during massive senior living center fire



AP photo

Firefighters continue to work the scene of a fire at the the Barclay Friends Senior Living Community in West Chester, Pa., Friday, Nov. 17, 2017.

By **ANTHONY IZAGUIRRE**

Associated Press

Dozens of neighbors rushed to the scene of a massive late-night fire that injured nearly 30 people at a Pennsylvania senior living community, wrapping the elderly in blankets and carrying them to ambulances in makeshift gurneys.

Larry Kingsland, 62, said Friday he and scores of people who live around the Barclay Friends Senior Living Community ferried elderly residents to medics as firefighters rescued them from the blaze.

"Everyone saw how devastating the fire was and we all had the same reaction: that people needed help," he said of the Thursday night inferno in West Chester, about 35 miles (56 kilometers) west of Philadelphia. "The whole neighborhood was helping."

Town officials said some of the more than 130 residents were still unaccounted for Friday afternoon, and that there was the possibility someone could have died in the fire.

"We're hoping for the best obviously here," said Mayor Jordan Norley, who put the number taken to hospitals at 29.

Emergency management officials said there were still hot spots more than 12 hours after the fire was declared under control, and that much of the burned out complex was too unstable for investigators to enter.

The fire spread to multiple buildings, engulfing sections within

minutes. A spokeswoman for the senior living center said about 132 residents were present when the blaze broke out. Emergency officials put the number of staff at about 20; they were all accounted for.

Many of the residents were pushed in wheelchairs or rolled on beds to safety, said

Dina Ciccarone, another neighbor who helped move people away from the fire and into safety. In some cases, she said, people used blankets as makeshift gurneys to assist in the rescue effort.

"Most of them could not walk," the 37-year-old Ciccarone said. "Some were lying on the ground, we were just bundling them up."

News helicopter coverage showed dozens of residents on the lawn or along the street, wrapped in blankets as overnight temperatures dipped into the low 40s. Elderly residents were loaded onto school buses early Friday and taken to nearby hospitals, witnesses said.

Chester County emergency officials said at least 20 people were taken to area hospitals for treatment. The extent of most injuries was not immediately known, though a Paoli

hospital spokeswoman said patients were admitted with issues related to smoke inhalation.

Mike Lentz, a 60-year-old accountant who lives across the street from the facility said neighbors also helped to comfort seniors as they were led away from the flames.

"I would try to wrap them in a blanket and kept telling them 'you're safe now,'" he said. "Some were crying. Some were disoriented and crying."

According to its website, Barclay Friends offers various levels of care including memory care, skilled nursing and post-acute rehab.

Early Friday morning, the local chapter of the American Red Cross said on Twitter that it had multiple teams on the scene and that it was working with county officials and facility staff to assist displaced residents.

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Tesla wants to electrify big trucks, adding to its ambitions

By DEE-ANN DURBIN

AP Auto Writer
DETROIT (AP) — After more than a decade of making cars and SUVs — and, more recently, solar panels — Tesla Inc. wants to electrify a new type of vehicle: big trucks.

The company unveiled its new electric semitractor-trailer Thursday night near its design center in Hawthorne, California.

CEO Elon Musk said the semi is capable of traveling 500 miles (804 kilometers) on an electric charge — even with a full 80,000-pound (36,287-kilogram)

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own history of alleged sexual misconduct.

Leeds, for her part, called the president "the walking definition of hypocrisy."

Look no further than the bipartisan howl that greeted Ivanka Trump's statement this week about Moore for a demonstration of the perilous crosscurrents around Trump on the issue.

"There's a special place in hell for people who prey on children," Trump's daughter told the AP, adding that she had "no reason to doubt the victims' accounts." She did not call for Moore to leave the race.

Liberals and conservatives both pounced. Those on the left noted she had waited a week to chime in and had never given similar credence to the claims of her father's accusers. Some on the right faulted her for buying into unproven accusations.

Liberal movie director Rob Reiner tweeted: "Ivanka believes Roy Moore's accusers. But the more than 12 women who accuse her father of sexual abuse are all liars. The difference is? ..."

The sexual assault drama is playing out as a painful sequel for Leeds and other women who came forward during the 2016 presidential campaign to accuse Trump of harassment and more — only to see him elected president anyway.

"My pain is everyday," Jill Harth, a former business associate who claimed Trump put his hands under her dress during a business dinner in 1992, tweeted in October. "No one gets it unless it happens to them. NO one!"

It's the same for those who accused former President Bill Clinton of sexual misconduct, their charges once written off as "bimbo eruptions."

"I am now 73....it never goes away," nurse Juanita Broadrick, who accused Clinton of raping her in 1978, tweeted Friday.

Allegations of womanizing, extramarital affairs and abuse dogged Clinton over the course of his political life, culminating in his 1998 impeachment — and acquittal — over his affair with White House intern Monica Lewinsky. He also agreed to an \$850,000 settlement with Arkansas state worker Paula Jones, who had accused him of expos-

ing himself and making indecent propositions when he was governor. The settlement included no apology or admission of guilt.

Leading feminists and Democratic-leaning groups stayed loyal to him throughout — though some are rethinking that stance now.

Even in the current charged environment, when every new allegation can produce screaming headlines, Trump may well be able to go his own way — and take a hands-off approach to Moore.

"Trump's base likes him when he's gratuitously ornery: Insulting war heroes, Gold Star families and the disabled have all been good for him, so what does he gain by strongly opining on Moore?" asks Dezenhall. "Nothing that I can see, so as a guideline, he doesn't need to do all that much."

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Reagan County

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#4301H Greg Maddux "31-32", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-383-39831
25.60 miles northwest of Big Lake
A-275, Section 31, Block A, L&SV RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9000 feet
Latitude 031.325934, Longitude -101.350032. Datum: NAD 27
1885' FNL, 330' FWL of 483.2-acre lease

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Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-383-39832
25.60 miles northwest of Big Lake
A-275, Section 31, Block A, L&SV RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 9200 feet
Latitude 031.325963, Longitude -101.350041. Datum: NAD 27
1855' FNL, 330' FWL of 483.2-acre lease
1855' FNL, 330' FWL of the survey

Runnels County

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#8 Snelson, re-completion, El: NA, API #42-399-34709
Burt-Ogden-Mabee Field
4 miles northwest of Talpa
A-148, Section 119, ET RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 3650 feet
Latitude 031.812970, Longitude -099.730490. Datum: NAD 27
660' FNL, 651' FEL of 40-acre lease
1667' FNL, 2077' FEL of the survey

TAM2 Squared Operating, LLC
1920 Broken Lance Lane
Rockwall, TX 75032-0000
Emily Fowler, Consultant
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#2 Aggie, drill, El: NA
Tulie (Gardner) Field
4.73 miles northwest of Talpa
A-147, Section 121, ET RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 4000 feet
Latitude 031.502664, Longitude -099.441378. Datum: WGS 84
1167' FSL, 2550' FWL of 508.35-acre lease
2500' FNL, 1200' FWL of the survey

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#1 Reveille, drill, El: NA
Tulie (Gardner) Field
4.19 miles northwest of Talpa
A-1326, Section 122, ET RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 4000 feet
Latitude 031.599872, Longitude -099.432097. Datum: WGS 84
330' FWL, 822' FSL of 427.57-acre lease
330' FWL, 1300' FSL of the survey

Scurry County

Kinder Morgan Production Co., LLC #85-1 SACROC Unit, re-completion, API #42-415-00006
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Lauren Flowers, Regulatory Analyst
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Kelly-Snyder Field, El: NA
4 miles northwest of Snyder
A-509, Section 40, Kirkland & Fields survey
Total Depth: 7500 feet
X=937194, Y=423488. Datum: NAD 27
31,247' FSL, 18,040' FEL of 48.960-acre lease
4440' FNL, 460' FWL of the survey
SWR 36 (H2S)

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TESLA

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load — and will cost less than a diesel semi considering fuel savings, lower maintenance and other factors. Musk said customers can put down a \$5,000 deposit for the semi now and production will begin in 2019.

"We're confident that this is a product that's better in every way from a feature standpoint," Musk told a crowd of Tesla fans gathered for the unveiling. Musk didn't reveal the semi's price.

Even so, the company already is starting to get orders. Wal-Mart Stores Inc., the world's largest retailer, said in a statement Friday that it has pre-ordered five Tesla units in its Walmart U.S. division and 10 units at Walmart Canada. Midwest retailer Meijer said it has reserved four trucks. And Arkansas trucking company J.B. Hunt said it has reserved "multiple" tractors that it will deploy on the West Coast but didn't specify how many. The truck will have Tesla's Auto-pilot system, which can maintain a set speed and slow down automatically in traffic. It also has a system that automatically keeps the vehicle in its lane. Musk said several Tesla semis will be able to travel in a convoy, autonomously following each other. Musk said Tesla plans a worldwide network of solar-powered "mega-chargers" that could get the trucks back up to 400 miles of range after charging for only 30 minutes. The move fits with Musk's stated goal for the company of accelerating the shift to

sustainable transportation. Trucks account for nearly a quarter of transportation-related greenhouse gas emissions in the U.S., according to government statistics.

But the semi also piles on more chaos at the Palo Alto, California-based company. Tesla is way behind on production of the Model 3, a new lower-cost sedan, with some customers facing waits of 18 months or more. It's also ramping up production of solar panels after buying Solar City Corp. last year. Tesla is working on a pickup truck and a lower-cost SUV and negotiating a new factory in China. Meanwhile, the company posted a record quarterly loss of \$619 million in its most recent quarter.

On Thursday night, Tesla surprised fans with another product: An updated version of its first sports car, the Roadster. Tesla says the new Roadster will have 620 miles of range and a top speed of 250 mph (402 kph). The car, coming in 2020, will have a base price of \$200,000.

Musk, too, is being pulled in many directions. He leads rocket maker SpaceX and is dabbling in other projects, including high-speed transit, artificial intelligence research and a new company that's digging tunnels beneath Los Angeles to alleviate traffic congestion. "He's got so much on his plate right now. This could present another distraction from really just making sure that the Model 3 is moved along effectively," said Bruce Clark, a senior vice president and automotive analyst at Moody's.

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6 Desta Drive, Suite 6000 Kelly-Snyder Field, El: NA
Midland, TX 79705-0000 4.60 miles southeast of Snyder
Lauren Flowers, Regulatory AnalystSection 40, Kirkland & Fields survey
(432) 688-2338 Total Depth: 7500 feet
X=938424, Y=422229. Datum: NAD 27
23,055' FSL, 16,440' FEL of 48.960-acre lease
5660' FNL, 454' FEL of the survey
SWR 36 (H2S)

Glasscock County

Endeavor Energy Resources, L.P. #1 Harvard "46", re-completion, El: NA, API #42-173-33514
110 N. Marienfeld St., Suite 200 Parsley (Atoka) Field
Midland, TX 79701-0000 5 miles southeast of Stanton
Martina Warren, Regulatory AnalystA-918, Section 46, Block 36, T-2-S, T&P RR Co. survey
(432) 262-4179 Total Depth: 10,560 feet
Latitude 031.564451, Longitude -101.450775. Datum: NAD 27
498' FNL, 534' FWL of 166.1-acre lease
2173' FSL, 2173' FEL of the survey

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#0316HA Quahadi "B", drill horizontal, El: NA
Garden City, S. (Wolfcamp) Field
12.40 miles southwest of Big Spring
A-196, Section 3, Block 34, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 8000 feet
Latitude 032.086655, Longitude -101.579881. Datum: NAD 27
497' FSL, 990' FEL of 2,554.02-acre lease
497' FSL, 685' FEL of the survey
SWR 36 (H2S)

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Garden City, S. (Wolfcamp) Field
12.40 miles southwest of Big Spring
A-196, Section 3, Block 34, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 8000 feet
Latitude 032.086691, Longitude -101.579725. Datum: NAD 27
497' FSL, 330' FEL of 2,554.02-acre lease
497' FSL, 635' FEL of the survey
SWR 36 (H2S)

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#1HJ Clark 1G", drill horizontal, El: NA, API #42-173-37642
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
5.60 miles west of Garden City
A-805, Section 48, Block 35, T-3-S, T&P RR Co. survey
Total Depth: 10,000 feet
Latitude 031.513064, Longitude -101.343275. Datum: NAD 27
406' FNL, 280' FEL of 1,312.96-acre lease
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#102HB Calverley "B"-Reed "20", drill horizontal, El: NA
Spraberry (Trend Area) Field
15.10 miles southwest of Garden City
A-431, Section 33, Block 36, T&P RR Co. survey
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1080' FWL, 515' FNL of 1,308.72-acre lease

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Lady Steers defeat Lady Lions 46-37



By **MARISSA LOFTIN**
Sports Editor

It was an exciting Friday night at Steer Gym as the Big Spring Lady Steer varsity basketball team faced off with the Lady Lions of Brownwood and came out with a 46-37 win.

Brownwood got off to a quick 5-1 lead within the first two minutes of the game, but their momentum soon shifted to Big Spring's side as the Lady Steers grabbed a 12-9 lead by the end of the first quarter, thanks to great defense from Alexis Starr and Logan Terrazas, and shots by Kayleigh Penny, Kamri Kemper, Amber Martinez and Terrazas.

The Lady Steers didn't let up on their defense in the second quarter as they kept the pressure on Brownwood and forced multiple turnovers. Big Spring outscored Brownwood 10-7 in the second from buckets by Trinity Galloway, Martinez and Penny, and at the half the Lady Steers sat at a 22-17 lead.

Penny opened the second half with her second steal of the game and took it down the court for a lay-up on their first possession. For the remainder of the quarter it was nothing but excellent defense from Big Spring while racking up 9

points on offense in the third quarter, which came on two fast break layups from Penny, and a jump shot and three-pointer from Starr.

Big Spring entered the fourth quarter with a 10-point lead over Brownwood and increased that lead to 16 points with a minute remaining in the game, thanks to aggressive defense and dropped shots by Penny, Galloway, Kemper and Aissa Cervantes.

The Lady Lions attempted a late comeback within the last minute of the game as they took advantage of three straight turnovers committed by the Lady Steers and brought the ball back down buckets, which was good for a total of six points all in about 20 seconds. It wasn't enough though. Big Spring was able to hold on and get the win with a final score of 46-37.

Penny lead the Lady Steers to victory with a total of 13 points and five steals. Right behind her was Galloway with eight points and three steals, Starr with 7 points and one steal, Kemper and Martinez with five points each and a pair of steals, and Terrazas with four points and three steals.

Up next, The Lady Steers will host Monahans on Tuesday, November 21 at 12:15 p.m. in Steer Gym.

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Photographed on the left is Big Spring's Amber Martinez shooting for three during the Lady Steer's 46-37 win over Brownfield at home on Friday, November 17, 2017.

Dogs' season ends with 31-22 loss in bi-district playoff game vs. Spearman

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**
Sports Editor

What began as a slow start for Coahoma in the first half, turned into a thrilling game in the second half as the Bulldogs fought their way back into it but ultimately came up short against the Spearman Lynx in their Bi-district playoff matchup. Spearman came away with the 31-22 win and will move on to play Sonora in the Area round next week.

Coahoma's offense was firing on all cylinders at the beginning of the first quarter, but when their biggest weapon, sophomore Zach Schneider, came out of the game the Bulldogs' were a little shell-shocked and it reflected in their approach. The Coahoma offense could not establish a rhythm and were held scoreless for the first half of the game. Coahoma's defense however, with the help of some great plays

by Caimon Bullingsly and Bryce Martin, managed to keep Spearman at 17 points for the first two quarters.

On Spearman's last possession of the half, the Lynx made it all the way to the Bulldog five yard line. Coahoma fought to hold them to a field goal, which was the first field goal scored against them all season long. After two Spearman touchdowns and a successful 27 yard field goal, the Lynx held a 17-0 lead heading into halftime.

The Bulldogs had only totaled 61 offensive yards compared to Spearman's 202 for the first two quarters of play. Adjustments needed to be made, so Coahoma's head football coach, Fred Dietz, did just that and fired the team up in the locker room, bringing back that momentum they lost early on in the game.

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Courtesy Photo by Lyndel Moody

Pictured above are Coahoma quarterback Mason Moore (12) and running back Braden Pearson (8) in their game against Spearman in Plainview, Texas, on Friday, November 17, 2017.

Mustangs get 83-41 Bi-district win over Cowboys



Courtesy Photo

Pictured above is the Sands Mustang varsity football team after their game against Grandfalls on Friday, November 17, 2017.

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**
Sports Editor

The Grandfalls Cowboys took a beating on Friday night from the Mustangs in their Bi-district playoff matchup as Sands came out victorious, bringing home an 83-41 win.

The Mustang offense could not be stopped as they racked up a total of 574 offensive yards for the game. 432 of those yards were accumulated on the ground, and the other 142 came through the air.

It was Hunter Reese in this one, as he delivered a

punishing run attack that simply could not be defended. He led the team with a whopping 406 rushing yards on 32 carries and scored 7 touchdowns.

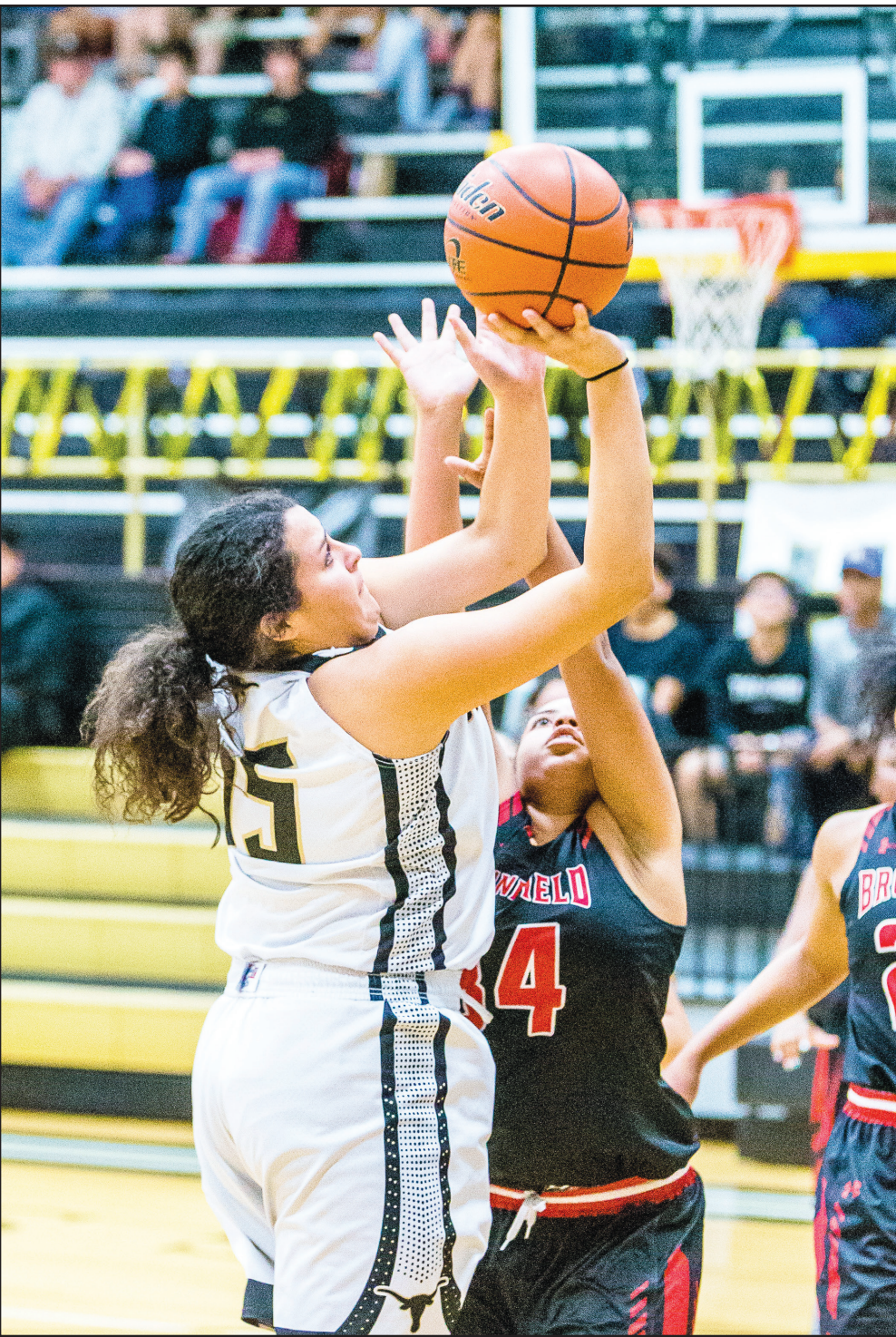
As far as passing goes, the Mustangs had a perfect night. Sands quarterback, Landon Morrow, had a spectacular game commanding the offense as he completed all four of his passes for 132 yards and two touchdowns. Hunter Reese also completed one pass for eight yards. No interceptions were thrown.

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Big Spring's Aissa Cervantes takes a short jump shot during the Lady Steer's 46-37 win over Brownfield at home on Friday, November 17, 2017.



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Big Spring's Kayleigh Penny (left) and Alexis Starr (right) tie up the ball during the Lady Steer's 46-37 win over Brownfield at home on Friday, November 17, 2017.



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Kamri Kemper steals the ball, and is fouled, during the Lady Steer's 46-37 win over Brownfield at home on Friday, November 17, 2017.



Courtesy Photo by Lyndel Moody

Above are Coahoma's Zach Holmes (22), Gage Clark (7) and Joe Isacc Escobedo tackling a Spearman player in their game against Spearman in Plainview, Texas, on Friday, November 17, 2017.



Courtesy Photo by Lyndel Moody

Pictured above is Coahoma's Gage Clark in the endzone after scoring a touchdown in their playoff game against Spearman in Plainview, Texas, on Friday, November 17, 2017.

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The Lynx increased their lead to 24-0 early in the third as Coahoma broke off a bad snap sending the ball the ball back into their own end zone and recovered by Spearman for a score.

With under eight minutes left in the third quarter, The Bulldogs scored their first touchdown of the game when quarterback, Mason Moore, connected with Adam Clark for 27 yards. An unsuccessful two-point conversion try followed, and the score sat at a 24-6 Spearman lead.

Following the touchdown, Coahoma's Adam Clark attempted an onside-kick to try and maintain possession of the ball. It was a beauty and the Bulldogs managed to recover it.

On the the very next play, Moore found Adam Clark again for another touchdown. The Bulldogs followed up with a good two-point conversion as Moore faked the handoff and dished it out to Gage Clark in the

endzone. Coahoma put up 14 points within a total of 23 seconds.

Spearman's last score of the game came with just under seven minutes remaining in the third quarter on a deep 53-yard touchdown pass to put them on top of the Bulldogs 31-14.

Coahoma marched down the field at the end of the third, and thanks to crucial catches made by Gage Clark, Zach Holmes, and Alex Duenes, they found themselves at the Spearman one yard line ready to pound the ball into the endzone. The Dogs rushed it in for six and followed up with another successful two-point conversion from Moore to Gage Clark that brought the score to 31-22 with four minutes to go in the third quarter.

Both teams held each other scoreless in the fourth quarter. The Bulldog defense made some huge plays to stop the Lynx offense, thanks to big tackles for a loss of yardage by Joe Isaac Escobedo, who had an excellent night defensively, and also Billingsley with a forced fumble and big tackles, and Chandler

with a broken pass.

The slow start cost The Bulldogs the win, along with their turnovers and Spearman being able to stop Coahoma's ground game almost completely.

The Lynx racked up a total of 318 offensive yards, 165 from the ground and 153 through the air. They lost one fumble, intercepted

three Coahoma passes and had nine penalties for 76 yards.

The Bulldogs tallied up 276 total offensive yards for the game, only 55 yards from the ground and a whopping 221 yards through the air, 190 of those passing yards in the second half alone. They had four fumbles, two of them lost, and only two penal-

ties for 20 yards.

Though Coahoma's season has ended with this tough loss, it has been a real treat to watch the Bulldogs develop to the football team that they are today. They have taken everything the season has given them with great attitudes and impeccable work ethic, especially from those se-

niors who lead the team all season long up until their last football game of their high school careers. A lot of good talent will be graduating this summer, but there is still loads of talent in this Bulldog football program that will be whipped up into shape during the offseason and back in action next year.

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Bulldogettes basketball update



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Austyn Montgomery, No. 33, reaches for the ball in the Coahoma Junior Varsity game against Post Tuesday night. The Bulldogettes lost 31-2. The Coahoma Varsity team won their second game in a row 56-58 against Post.



Courtesy Photo

Pictured above is Sands' Reme Arriaga (5) scoring a touchdown in their playoff game against Grandfalls on Friday, November 17, 2017.

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Receivers for the Mustangs were Landry Connell with three catches for 126 yards and two touchdowns, followed by Layne French with two catches for 16 yards.

The defense had a hay day as Reme Arriaga nabbed himself two Cowboy interceptions. Kobyn Ramey also got a pick in the game.

SCORING SUMMARY:

1st Quarter
GR: Oscar Huertas 18 yd Pass from Jalen Helms (CNV) 6-0
SAN: Hunter Reese 1 yd Rush (TD) 6-6
SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 6-8
GR: Oscar Huertas 19 yd Rush (TD) 12-8
SAN: Landry Connell 61 yd Pass from Landon Morrow (CNV) 12-14
SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 12-16
GR: Oscar Huertas 6 yd Rush (TD) 18-16
GR: Oscar Huertas (PAT) 20-16
SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 20-18
SAN: Hunter Reese 43 yd Rush (TD) 20-24
2nd Quarter
GR: Oscar Huertas (PAT) 22-24
GR: Oscar Huertas 2 yd Rush (TD) 28-24
SAN: Hunter Reese 60 yd Rush (TD) 28-30
SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 28-32
GR: De'Shaun Rogers 40 yd Pass from Jalen Helms (CNV) 34-32

SAN: Hunter Reese 15 yd Rush (TD) 34-38
3rd Quarter
SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 34-40
SAN: Hunter Reese 74 yd Kickoff Return (TD) 34-46
SAN: Reme Arriaga 1 yd Rush (TD) 34-52
SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 34-54
GR: Jerry Lee Cadena 3 yd Pass from Jalen Helms (CNV) 35-54
GR: Isaiah Vasquez 6 yd Pass from Jalen Helms (CNV) 41-54
SAN: Hunter Reese 41 yd Rush (TD) 41-60
SAN: Layne French 3 yd Pass from Chris Ybarra (CNV) 41-61
4th Quarter
SAN: Landry Connell 53 yd Pass from Landon Morrow (CNV) 41-67
SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 41-69
SAN: Hunter Reese 50 yd Rush (TD) 41-75
SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 41-77
SAN: Hunter Reese 44 yd Rush (TD) 41-83
Up next for Sands, the Mustangs will take on the Jayton Jaybirds for the Regional round of the playoffs. The date, time and location for this game is TBA.

Cowboys' Jerry Jones apologizes for racial remark in video

FRISCO, Texas (AP) — Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones has apologized after a gossip website posted a 4-year-old video of him making a racially insensitive comment.

The Blast website reported the video was shot in 2013 at a Dallas hotel by a white man who asked Jones if he would tape a message for his fiancée. Jones appeared to be joking when he said, "Hey, Jennifer, congratulations on the wedding. Now, you know he's with a black girl tonight, don't you?"

After the video's release Friday, Jones apologized in a statement issued by the team, saying, "That comment was inappropriate. It's not who I am, and I'm sorry."

the video was shared by someone who thought it was relevant in light of players sitting or kneeling in protest during the national anthem in the NFL. Former San Francisco quarterback Colin Kaepernick started the protests last year to bring awareness to issues of racial inequality.

Jones has been outspoken in his view that players should stand during the anthem, at one point saying he would bench any player who disrespected the flag.

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Spurs overcome 23-point deficit to beat Thunder, 104-101

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The Thunder don't believe they blew another big lead, the Spurs simply took it away.

LaMarcus Aldridge had 26 points and San Antonio overcame a 23-point deficit to beat Oklahoma City 104-101 on Friday night.

"The team showed a lot of heart, lot of character by not giving up," Spurs center Pau Gasol said. "By not just saying we're down by 20 and it's one of those nights."

Danny Green added 17 points and Gasol had 14 points to help San Antonio end Oklahoma City's three-game winning streak.

The Thunder were outscored 89-69 in the final three quarters after holding the Spurs to a season-low 15 points in the opening period.

"I knew they were going to make a run, but I really didn't feel like it was because we got comfortable, we got relaxed," Oklahoma City coach Billy Donovan said. "These guys have been around for a long time, they're on the road, they know it's going to be a challenge."

The Thunder have blown several double-digit leads this season, including an 18-point advantage against Boston in a 101-94 home loss Nov. 3.

Aldridge put back of Green's missed 3-pointer gave the Spurs a 102-99 lead with 24.2 seconds remaining.

The Thunder missed two 3-pointers on the ensuing possession, but Carmelo Anthony tracked down a second offensive rebound and made a 25-footer with his foot on the 3-point line to cut the lead to 102-101.

Gasol made two free throws, and Russell Westbrook stumbled to the court and threw up an airball on a 3-point attempt as the game ended.

"We gave ourselves a chance," Donovan said. "That last situation was tough just from the standpoint, 2.3 (seconds) and everybody knows we're taking a 3."

Anthony had 20 points to lead the Thunder. Westbrook was held to 15 points after scoring 10 in the opening period. He was 5 for 22 from the field.

"They just played faster and they just did a good job of getting themselves back in the game," Westbrook said.

The Spurs rallied behind their usual formula of hounding defense and 3-point shooting.

Davis Bertans hit three consecutive 3-pointers in the third quarter, tying it at 78 with 38 seconds remaining with his final 3 of the run. The 3-pointer also closed a 58-35 run after the Spurs trailed 43-20.

"It was a fine win," San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich said. "The guys really dug deep. Pounding the rock. Kept a great attitude, just kept their minds on playing basic basketball and things turned their way."

TIP-INS

Thunder: Oklahoma City entered the game leading the league in steals (10.4) and opponent turnovers (19.0). The Thunder have never finished in the top five in either category since leaving Seattle. ... Westbrook, Anthony and George have split game-high scoring honors throughout the season. George has led six times and Westbrook and Anthony have done so on five occasions each. ... Nick Collison did not play for the 14th time this season. The 15-year veteran played five minutes in his only appearance of the season.

Spurs: Kawhi Leonard, who has not played this season, remained out with right quadriceps tendonopathy. There is no timeline on his return. ... Tony Parker worked out with Spurs shooting guru Chip Engelland during morning workouts as he rehabilitates from quadriceps surgery. ... Kyle Anderson stayed in the lineup after getting hit in the jaw while battling for a rebound under the Thunder's basket with three minutes remaining in the game. ... San Antonio's previous low in the opening quarter was 17 points at Dallas on Nov. 14.

SIMPLE

Westbrook had a quick response when asked what the Thunder must do to avoid giving up big leads.

"Just play the same way (for) 48 minutes," he said.

ALDRIDGE REBOUNDING

Aldridge continued his resurgent season after being the subject of trade talks in the offseason following two disappointing seasons with the Spurs.

The 12-year veteran has become San Antonio's top scorer and primary leader with Leonard and Parker sidelined.

"LaMarcus is showing great competitiveness and great heart and great leadership this season," Gasol said. "I just love what I'm seeing from him. He's not just settling for jumpers. He's just going after balls, going after rebounds, making key plays on both ends of the floor."

NO PITY PARTY

The Spurs have played the entire season without two of their leading players in Leonard and Parker, but they are not hanging their heads about it.

"Pop doesn't let you feel sorry for yourself," Aldridge said. "It's about playing hard out there and playing smart."

UP NEXT

Thunder: Visit New Orleans on Monday night in their first game against the Pelicans after sweeping last season's series.

Spurs: Host Atlanta on Monday night before embarking on a two-game trip.



San Antonio Spurs center Pau Gasol (16) drives around Oklahoma City Thunder forward Paul George (13) during the first half of an NBA basketball game, Friday, Nov. 17, 2017, in San Antonio. (AP Photo/Eric Gay)

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Empty Bowls

By **AMBER MANSFIELD**
Staff Writer

United Way has had another successful year with the event Empty Bowls at the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum at Howard College. Empty Bowls is an event put on by United Way to raise support and money to help aid several non-profits around Howard County. United Way has always improved lives by using the caring power of communities around the Howard County to advance the common good, and Empty Bowls is just an example of how they get the community together and involved to try and help better other's lives.

"I'm overwhelmed to be a part of community that come together and wants to help," said Meghan Bias, executive director of United Way. "Especially when it's for such an important cause."

There was around 600 hundred tickets bought for the Empty Bowls event, with those eager to get their ceramic

bowl, participate in the silent and live auction, and of course to feast on some soups and all the other goodies that was there.

"We raised at least \$400 for the silent auction, and \$1,000 for the live auction," said Bias. "And we had no leftover soup. All the money goes right back to those non-profits that help out the community. It's a great event to participate in with a great cause behind it."

With non-profits such as the Salvation Army, CASA of West Texas, and Isaiah 58, just to name a few it, it is a great cause indeed. Bias wanted to send a special thanks to Vicki Stewart and Judy Tereletsky for teaching the ceramics classes, H-E-B, and huge thank you to Howard College for letting them host the event there.

"Thank you everyone who made this event happen and come together," said Bias. "And a generous thank you to everyone of the community who came out to support United Way."



HERALD photo/Amanda Elston
Becky Woodall, Rachel McKain, and Josh McKain are all smiles before they go to town on the soups and stews they picked out at Empty Bowls on Thursday.



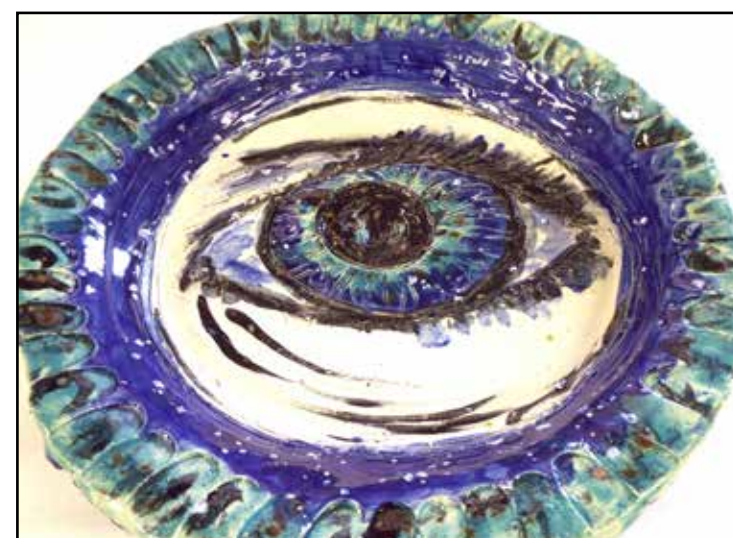
HERALD photo/Amber Mansfield
Some of the bowls that was featured at Empty Bowls.



HERALD photo/Amanda Elston
Empty Bowls-goers decide on what handmade bowl to take with them home. All of the bowls were handmade by Howard County citizens over the past few months to get ready for the United Way event.



HERALD photo/Amanda Elston
Lines were out the door during the popular United Way event, Empty Bowls. Patrons lined the halls of Howard College to get their chance to try some of the delicious soups and stews on tap.

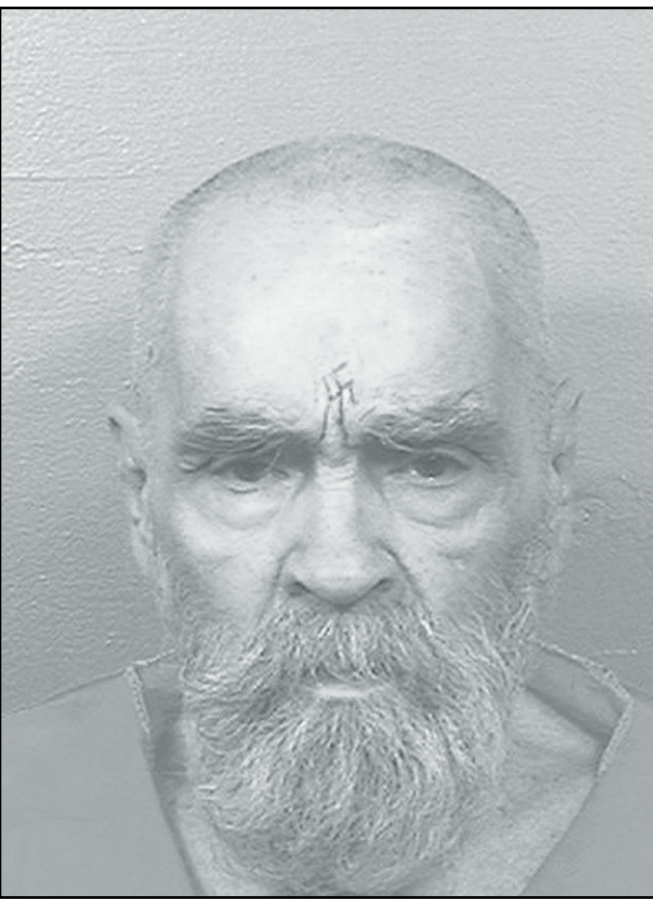


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Killer Charles Manson alive as reports swirl of ill health



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This Aug. 14, 2017 photo provided by the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shows Charles Manson. A spokeswoman for the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation says the 83-year-old mass killer is alive Thursday, Nov. 16, 2017.

By JOHN ROGERS
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES (AP) — For nearly 50 years Charles Manson has been the living personification of evil, a demonic presence captured in scores of photos, each of them marked by his piercing dark eyes and the crude Nazi swastika he carved into his forehead.

That personification returned to the public consciousness again this week, complete

with a prison mug shot of a now-elderly but still evil-looking Manson, after a report by TMZ.com that the killer of glamorous actress Sharon Tate and six others is seriously ill and hospitalized in Bakersfield, California.

The state Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation declined to confirm that Thursday, saying only that Manson, who turned 83 on Sunday, is still alive. To reveal more, spokes-

woman Vicky Waters told The Associated Press, would violate federal and state privacy laws.

Serial murderers before and after have killed far more than Manson. Fifty-one years ago a former Marine named Charles Whitman climbed to the observation deck of a tower at the University of Texas and opened fire on dozens of people, killing 11, after killing five before reaching the deck. Just last month, Stephen Paddock fired down from a hotel window on a Las Vegas concert, killing 58.

But like Whitman's, Paddock's name if not his deed seems destined to be largely forgotten. Not so with Manson.

"I was thinking today about why Manson is so remembered and such a part of our cultural history, whereas other serial killers have done far worse," said former AP Special Correspondent Linda Deutsch, who covered the 1970-71 trials of Manson and his followers, as well as all of their parole hearings until she retired two years ago.

It was, she concluded, because Manson killed more than just seven people. He also destroyed a Baby Boomer generation's dream of a peace-and-love era that had begun with 1967's San Francisco Summer of Love, two years before Los Angeles' 1969 Manson murders.

"For most of that pe-

riod, the hippies up in San Francisco and throughout the country really spread a message of love and understanding," Deutsch said. "And now here come these people who wore these hippie clothes and although they were not hippies, they were just people who came together in a commune, they became symbolic of that hippie era.

"In addition to killing seven people, he killed a whole counterculture," she added.

A career criminal and con artist, Manson had reinvented himself during the Summer of Love as a Christ-like figure who attracted young people to a commune he established at an old, abandoned movie ranch on the edge of Los Angeles.

"To tell you the truth, the older I get the harder it is to deal with all of this, to know what I did, how it happened," one of the youngest of his followers, Leslie Van Houten, told a parole panel in September. The panel has recommended she be released, but Gov. Jerry Brown could reject that recommendation as he did once before. No Manson Family member convicted of murder has ever been freed.

Van Houten, now 68, explained how Manson used sex, drugs, repeated playings of the Beatles' "White Album" and readings from the Bible to persuade his young followers that

they could launch a race war between blacks and whites by killing people, then hide in the desert until it was over. He was particularly fascinated by the Beatles' song "Helter Skelter," which he saw as predicting the coming race war, although its lyrics mainly seem to reference a childhood playground slide of that name.

His followers' victims included Tate, who was several months pregnant, coffee heiress Abigail Folger and several other wealthy and prominent people.

But what Manson

really wanted to do, Deutsch said, was become famous.

At one point he'd befriended the late Beach Boys drummer Dennis Wilson with hopes of becoming a musician as famous as those in Wilson's group. The music industry ultimately dismissed him as crazy and dangerous and, worse yet to his way of thinking, only marginally talented.

"So he wanted to make a statement and be the star that Hollywood wouldn't let him be," said Deutsch. "And he was demonic."

Keep Big Spring Beautiful

Keep Big Spring Beautiful met Nov. 6, 2017. President Willia Ledford called the meeting to order. Janell Davis gave the invocation and led the group in the pledge.

Jim DePauw gave the treasurer's report. Keep Big Spring Beautiful was able to secure a \$10,000 grant from HEB. This grant will be used on phase two of the "Spring" Project.

Special thanks to everyone who participated in the Fall Sweep. Ten blocks on Main Street was cleaned up on Oct. 28th.

Peggy Skilles introduced a "Bag Your Garbage Sticker" campaign. These stickers will be distributed to our members and businesses.

The 2018 officers were presented:

Eric Escamilla-President
Peggy Skilles- Ist Vice President
Liz Hafley- 2nd Vice President
Tammy DePauw -Secretary
Jim DePauw-Treasurer
Pat Simmons-Officer At Large
Ruby Bruns- Member Representative
Kristie Tyra-Member Representative

At the next meeting there will be a sign up for working the "Feast of Sharing".

The next Keep Big Spring Beautiful meeting will be Dec. 4th. The meetings are held at Howard College at noon. The group meets in the Cactus Room. Visitors are always welcome.

Art Association Meet-

October's Art Association Meeting was a little different in that our members met at the park next to the courthouse annex. We did some plein air art. It was very relaxing and challenging for us. We had a blast!

Roberta Gourley of San Angelo, our demonstrator, has been a decorator and a designer for twenty five years. Mrs. Gourley has a self built business that is very successful in both the commercial and private sector. She relocated after her children were grown and she started a private line of jewelry and custom made unique pieces. Mrs. Gourley also does bible journaling and shares to small groups on occasion. She always has herself in some sort of design or creative project! She loves to share and teach! Mrs. Gourney will share how to make earrings, how to look for quality in custom made earrings. In addition, she will show different stones and tools used to make custom made earrings. Doesn't that sound exciting? Our meeting is Tuesday, November 21, 2017 in the basement of Howard County Library. We would love for you to come join us and see what we are all about!



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On behalf of everyone that organized this fundraiser, we want to say a huge THANK YOU to the Howard County community. We could never have pulled this off without all the donations we received. There are too many to list, but from the bottom of our hearts, thank you so much for your donations no matter how big or small. The amount we raised yesterday was \$18,897 and does not include another \$4,000 that was personally handed to Tommy Sullivan by other donators.

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Tuesday: Breakfast: Sausage kolache, yogurt, fruit. Lunch: Chicken nuggets, mac and cheese, savory green beans, garden salad, fruit cup.

Wednesday-Friday:
Thanksgiving Break!

Big Spring Senior Center

Monday: Herb Chicken, corn, green

Tuesday: Hamburger steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, mixed vegetables, oragnes, bread, milk.

Wednesday: Crispi-tos, Spanish rice, lettuce, tomato, Sr. Cream, Rice Krispy Treats.

Thursday: Thanksgiving Break!

Friday: Thanksgiving Break!

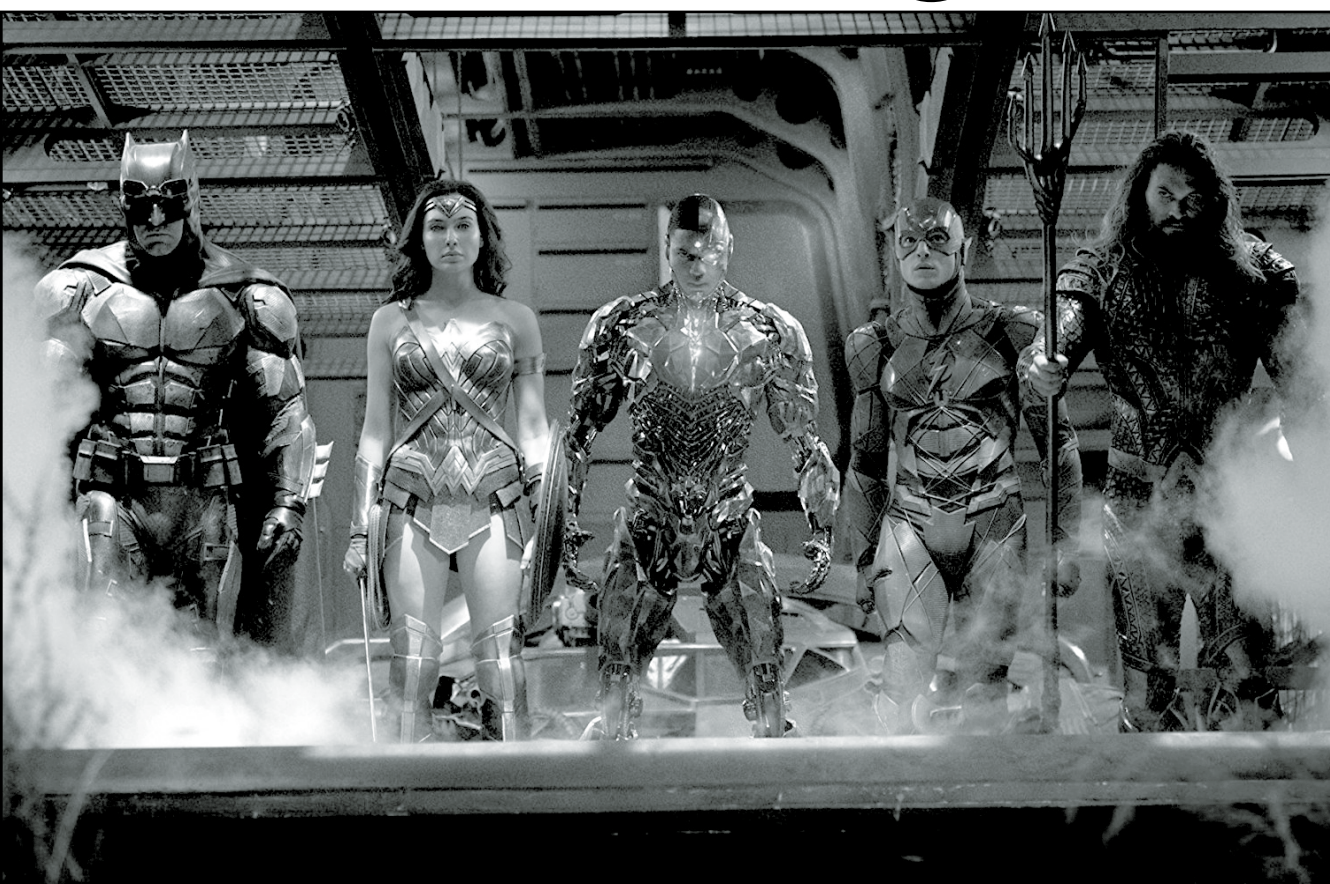
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Roger's Reviews: Justice League



By **ROGER CLINE**

Staff Writer

You know me. I like superhero movies. So when DC Films announced the a "Justice League" movie, I knew that I would be there. Now, I really don't have a dog in the Marvel/DC fight; I like them both. They're just different. In the comics, Marvel tells dark, gritty stories full of social importance. You get stories which touch on the evils of racism and drug abuse. You get strong female, gay, and minority superheroes. And villains, by the way.



ROGER CLINE

On the other hand, DC stories are full of archetypal characters who represent big ideas: Superman, the shining beacon of hope. Batman, the dark avenger who hunts crime by night. Wonder Woman, the fearless woman as strong as the mightiest man. And of course, the rest of the pantheon: The Flash – fastest man alive. Aquaman – King of the sea. And Cyborg the...well, cyborg. Ok, so I don't really find Cyborg all that iconic. He's a great superhero, don't get me wrong; but he's just not as mythic as the rest of the DC crew.

"Justice League" starts out almost comically depressing. An aging cat burglar hefts a bag of stolen loot out through a building window, to be nabbed by an aging Batman (Ben Affleck). While questioning the burglar, dangling him over the edge of a building, Batman is attacked by a demonic humanoid with locust wings. After a brief fight, the Dark Knight traps the creature with a net, and it explodes, leaving a pattern of three holes in the wall it was netted to. Batman has seen the pattern before, and realizes the problem is much bigger than one rogue insect-demon.

Meanwhile, in Themyscira, home of the Amazons, one of their guarded treasures, a metal box, begins to tremble, and eventually cracks. The Amazon army, led by Wonder Woman's mother Queen Hippolyta (Connie Nielsen), moves into the vault to guard the artifact, and a giant energy tube shoots down, producing a giant demonic figure with a fiery axe.

The Amazon queen recognizes him as Steppenwolf (voiced by Ciarán Hinds), an ancient foe of the people of Earth.

The Amazons attack, and though they put up a valiant fight, Steppenwolf soundly defeats them all, takes the box, and teleports away with the energy tube (which DC fans will recognize as a Apokolips Boom Tube, and the box is a Mother Box).

The surviving Amazons gather after Steppenwolf leaves, and fire a burning arrow to ignite a huge signal flare, which Wonder Woman sees on the evening news, and realizes what's happening.

See, back in the ancient days, Steppenwolf invaded Earth, and was fought by the armies of Mankind, Amazon, and Atlantean. He used the three Mother Boxes to form the "Unity," which threatened to destroy the world. The combined armies, joined by the old Greek and Roman gods, barely defeated him and claimed the boxes. Each army took one box and hid it.

Now, Steppenwolf wants to reclaim the boxes and wreak revenge on Earth.

Oh, and by the way, Superman is dead.

So Batman goes on a superhero recruiting drive, and assembles, over the course of the movie, Wonder Woman, Flash, Aquaman, and Cyborg to fight the foe giant armies and actual gods almost lost to once before.

Fun stuff.

Okay, I liked "Justice League." It had a couple of problems though.

One, it relied way too heav-

ily on computerized graphics. I know this is the 21st Century, and CGI is a thing, but this stuff just...looked like CGI, and not actual things. It was kind of cartoony. And not in a good way. They could definitely have done better on that front.

Two, Steppenwolf was a powerful villain, and he foreshadowed things to come with his Apokolips connection, but who the heck ever heard of Steppenwolf outside of "Born to be Wild?" He's just a little too obscure for any but perhaps the most diehard comics fan to recognize.

Other than that, it's a very good movie. Each of the main superheroes is unique. Batman is dark and brooding, and a little sarcastic about his age and situation. Aquaman is the best new surprise in this film – over the top rock-and-roll barbarian. Cyborg is conflicted about his newly Frankensteined body. Flash is new to the hero game and not quite sure of himself. And Wonder Woman simply lights up every scene she's in with optimism, determination, and hope.

Although Rotten Tomatoes disagrees, my score for Justice League is seven stars out of 10.

Justice League

Director: Zack Snyder

Writer: Screenplay by Chris Terrio and Joss Whedon; story by Chris Terrio and Zack Snyder; based on "Justice League" by Gardner Fox

Production company: DC Films, RatPac Entertainment, Atlas Entertainment, Cruel and Unusual Films

PG-13; 2 hrs; Action/Adventure/Fantasy; Nov. 17, 2017

Roger saw this movie at Big Spring's own Cinemark Cinema 4, located inside the Spring Town Plaza at 1801 E. FM 700. For more information, visit www.cinemark.com and enter the ZIP code 79720.

Oral arguments scheduled in Texas-New Mexico water right

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP)—The U.S. Supreme Court has scheduled oral arguments in a lengthy battle between New Mexico and Texas over management of one of North America's longest rivers.

Oral arguments in the Rio Grande case are scheduled Jan. 8.

All sides say the stakes are high given uncertainty about the future sustainability of water supplies throughout the Rio Grande Valley. Farmers, water policy experts, city officials

and others have been working behind the scenes to build a framework for a possible settlement.

Texas took its case to the Supreme Court in 2013, asking that New Mexico stop pumping groundwater along the border so that more of the river could flow south to farmers and residents in El Paso.

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Who's who in Howard County Donna Mansfield



Where do you work, and what do you do? I am the Librarian at Coahoma High School.

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What city do you live in? Sand Springs

Who's in your family? Joe my husband, Orrin my son and wife Amber, Seth my youngest son, and fiance Sage.

What hobbies/organizations/clubs do you enjoy? Love spending time with my family, mom of two eagles scouts, reading, arts and crafts

What is your favorite book (and who's the author)? Love the written word, I'm and avid reader, no way I could choose just one.

What is your favorite movie? Love a whole variety of movies.

What type of music do you enjoy? All types of music from country, folk, to Sir Mix-A-Lot Buttermilk Biscuits.

Where would you visit if you could go anywhere? New York, New York.

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Thank you banner



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Sid Richardson Carbon & Energy Co., 1211 N. Midway Road, was a recent recipient of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce's "We Appreciate Your Investment in our Community" banner.

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- Sandra Ann Gutierrez, 1501 N. Fourth Place, 1312 S. Ave. L, Lamesa
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- Alfred Hamilton Jr., 1110 1/2 Aylesford, Big Spring
- Dylan Hammons, 4401 E. 11th Place, Big Spring
- William J. Harman, HC 76, Box 147K-1, Big Spring
- Nicholas D. Hasenbalg, 207 W. Williams St. #9, Breckenridge
- Ann Hashem, 120 Airbase Rd. 15-5, Big Spring
- Christine Henderson, 420 N. El Paso
- Juanita Hernandez, 1502 Bluebird, Big Spring
- Matias Hernandez Jr., 620 E. 4th St., San Angelo

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- Johnny R. Hill, 704 San Antonio, Big Spring
- Kaleb Hill, 910 Baylor, Big Spring
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- Stephanie Ford Johnson, P.O. Box 483, Coahoma
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- Cyndi Michelle Lambert, 2600 Crestline, Apt. C7, Big Spring
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- Daniel Jerome Langston, 3307 Cornell Ave., Big Spring
- Rafael Lemus, 1804 Mittel, Big Spring
- Jesse Paul Lopez, 101 Scurry St., Big Spring
- Clifford G. Lowe, 501 Circle, Big Spring
- Patricia D. Lyons, 7502 Interstate 27 number A, Lubbock
- Aaron Christopher Mack, 2134 Bonham Ave., Odessa
- Bruce Edward Mallard, P.O Box 3265 504 Westover, Big Spring
- Barbara A. Marshall, P.O. Box 1065, Deming, New Mexico
- Martha McDonald Martin, 600 Driver Rd, Big Spring
- James Martinez, P.O. Box 269, Ft. Davis
- Ruann R. Martinez, 1005 N.W. 2nd St., Big Spring

Farmers are our source of food

By **JUDY TERELETSKY**
HSWCD District Clerk

One of my favorite dishes is fried green tomatoes. I was always excited to find our local farmer's market because it gave me the best shot at locating green tomatoes. Farmer's Markets are extremely popular in Texas. Some are large including arts and crafts, others small held only once a month, and some are road side stands where you just pick you choices and pay what you think is fair leaving it in the unlocked box there at the stand. Healthy cornucopia of food is something one thinks about in November because of our celebration of Thanksgiving. Locally grown or organic food is more popular than ever and one of the biggest trends to hit the culinary world is the farm-to-table movement.

At the beginning of the 20th century, most of the food that Americans ate came from producers within 50 miles. However as Americans began to move away from rural areas to larger cities and those cities expanded into farmland, many local food sources disappeared. Interstate highways and improvements in shipping technologies allowed us to bring in food from further and further away. Americans began to rely on more processed foods to save time in meal preparations. Convenience and speed took over with TV dinners and fast food restaurants something the busy family looked to for help in their hectic schedules. Our society compromised health and nutrition for that convenience. Pro-

cessed foods typically contain excessive amounts of sugar, fat, sodium and other agents involved in the processing and consuming these have led to health problems like high blood pressure, heart disease, diabetes, etc. (1) Enter the Farm-to-table movement.

A growing number of consumers have started to seek a healthier more environmentally friendly alternative to the processed foods. Their diets are beginning to emphasize simply prepared food comprised of locally sourced and making use of seasonal ingredients. Farm-to-table restaurants where the restaurant receives and uses locally grown food products are taking us back to our roots by valuing quality over ease and convenience. Healthier foods are sometimes more expensive and harder to find due to limited availability. (2) This is slowly changing with more and more farm-to-table restaurants, farmer's markets, food co-ops, and grocery stores featuring specials of local produce. Community gardens are making a comeback in cities.

Local food is not only healthier and tastier it is also better for the environment. Fruit and vegetables that must be transported long distances are normally picked before they are fully ripen. Local food has the chance to absorb nutrients from



AP photo

Elbow Creek Hay and Feed sponsors local direct to consumer summer produce as well as local honey.

their surroundings longer so they may taste better and be healthier because they don't have to worry about the long distance travel. It is also better for the environment by reducing carbon emissions and fuel use. (3) According to Canning et al. (2010), processing, packaging, and selling food uses more than ten times as much energy as the transportation of food. Even as early as the 1970s, 75 percent of food grown on U.S. farms was processed in some way before it was consumed (Hendrickson, 2008). As a result, food packaging has become increasingly energy intensive, especially with the popularity of individually wrapped, single-serving portions. Packaging for both food and non-food products represented one-third of U.S. municipal waste in the 1990s (Ackerman, 1996), and has likely grown since then. Ackerman cites an inverse relationship between the amount of food waste and packaging waste. If a household produces more waste from fresh foods by discarding inedible portions, it is most likely producing less waste from commer-

cially prepared or packaged foods. (4) Farm-to-table and local grown helps to support the small farmers. Data from 2007 and 2012 Agricultural censuses show that farmers with Direct to Consumer (DTC) sales are more likely to remain in business than other farms but increase in size (measured by sales) more slowly. These differences in survival and growth rates could be explained by attributes of DTC marketing that result in different debt-to-asset ratios, farm income risk, and labor requirements, or possibly by differences in off-farm employment opportunities or preferences for farm versus nonfarm work. (5)

Greenhouses and high tunnels are an important production strategy for some U.S. producers, particularly those who market produce directly to consumers. Greenhouses (or glasshouses) are structures used for growing plants and flowers that allow for greater control of the growing environment. Greenhouses can be made of either plastic or glass, with paved floors and raised beds, and often involve equipment for heating, cooling, and lighting. High tunnels (or hoop houses)—typically a single layer of plastic or woven fabric that can be used raised or lowered as needed—are simpler, less expensive versions of plas-

tic greenhouses. High tunnels most often protect crops grown directly in the soil and do not usually require electricity or fuel to achieve heating and cooling, but take advantage of adjustable sides to change the temperature inside the tunnel. (6)

If you are looking for local produce for Howard County, Elbow Creek Farmers Market is an outreach to bring our local producers and consumers looking for fresh produce together. They have the farmers market in the summer months and during the rest of the year they have local honey, canned goods and granola at the store. (7) Flying Y Farms in Martin County offers tours of their high tunnel operations, school or club farm-to-table events and offers weekly produce deliveries based on availability in Midland. (8) If you touring Texas and want to know when farmer's markets are open in the area you plan to visit, you may be able to locate it on the website www.texaslocalproduce.tamu.edu. Also the website www.knowwhereyourfoodcomesfrom.com provides a list of farm-to-table restaurants in Texas mostly in the larger cities.

- (1) www.culinaryschools.com
- (2) www.ers.usda.gov
- (3) www.ers.usda.gov
- (4) www.elbowcreekhay-feed.com
- (5) www.flyingyfarms.com
- (6) www.ers.usda.gov
- (7) www.ers.usda.gov
- (8) www.ers.usda.gov

RECORDS

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- Victoria Josephine Martinez, 323 S. Main St., Loraine
- Karen McCalister, 5925 Raton Ln. number 154, Ft. Worth
- O'Neal McClain, 911 17th St., Snyder
- Diana McCool, 504 Donley, Big Spring
- Felicia Ornelas, 538 Westover No. 236, Big Spring
- Heriberto Palafox Mora, 1311 Mobile St., Big Spring
- Ethel Laverne McVae, 4202 Parkway Rd. Big Spring
- Heriberto Palafox Mora, 1311 Mobile St., Big Spring
- Felicia Ornelas, 538 Westover number 236, Big Spring
- Callie Nicole Partlow, 2905 Navajo Dr., Big Spring
- Dana Kay Peach, 1806 N 13th, Lamesa
- Nicole Preston, 1605 E 11th place, Big Spring
- Jacquelin Dannon Ramey, 1404 E 6th St.,
- Gilbert P. Ramirez, 1614 Settles, Big Spring
- Byron Roberts, 2206 Alabama St Big Spring
- George Anthony Robinson Jr., 1905 Wasson Rd. #14, Big Spring
- Juan Romero, 2504 March Circle, Big Spring

- Veronica Romero, 103 Becker Road, Big Spring
- Yuri Lozano Rubio, 421 Cedar, P.O. Box 173, Colorado City
- Polly Ann Rusk, 4201 W. Highway 80, Big Spring
- Lillie Shoup, 1301 Colby Big Spring
- Shane Skaggs, 1 Courtney Place 301, Big Spring
- Derrick Dewayne Smith, 1207 Mulberry Big Spring
- Michael Ray Watson, 1503 Tucson Rd. Big Spring
- Tamara Ruth Whitt, 3706 Connley, Big Spring
- Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd. Apt. #28, Big Spring

Marriage Licenses

- Rory Dale Worthan, 52, of Big Spring, and Michelle Futrelle, 42, of Big Spring
- Hector C. Martinez, 23, of Big Spring, and Ashely Sue Smith, 24, of BigSpring
- Domingo Rios, 29, of Big Spring, and Heather Marie Granados, 30, of Big Spring
- Caden Shane Clark, 23, of Big Spring, and Kimberlie Rachel Kirkpatrick, 24, of Big Spring
- Reed Vincent Ellett, 32, of Big Spring, and Amanda Nicole Thurman, 29, of Big Spring

Margarito Oscar Yanez, 48, of Big Spring, and Maricela T. Rodriguez, 47, of Big Spring

County Court Judgments

(Note: The State of Texas is listed as prosecutor for all listed county court judgments)

Defendant: Andraque S. Jones
Offense: Possession of marijuana less than two ounces.
Sentence: \$400 in fines.
Date: Aug. 8, 2017

Defendant: Philip Horton
Offense: Terroristic threat place person in fear.
Sentence: \$400 in fines
Date: Aug. 8, 2017

Defendant: Jeremy Gomez
Offense: Criminal Mischief \$100<\$750
Sentence: \$350 in fines.
Date: Aug. 17 2017

Warranty Deeds

Grantor: Richard Stockton and Tandi Stockton
Grantee: Mark Bradley
Property: Lot three, block two, mountain park additional.
Date: Nov. 08, 2017

Grantor: Truman E. Hofacket
Grantee: Ky Lee Hofacket
Property: Being all of 40 acres of land out of and part of section 35.
Date: Nov. 8, 2017

Grantor: Cecelia Arcand Mckenzie
Grantee: Andre Thomas Arcand and Lucy Arcand
Property: Being the South 50 feet of lot two, clock 79
Date: Nov. 8, 2017

Grantor: CDR Investments, Inc.
Grantee: Byron Harris
Property: Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, 30, 31, and 32, all in block four, Wasson Place
Date: Nov. 8, 2017

Warranty Deeds with Vendors' Liens

Grantor: Roy Taylor
Grantee: Ann McCluskey
Property: Together with all improvements thereon situated in Howard County, Texas
Date: Nov. 9, 2017

Grantor: HET, LLC, a Texas limited company
Grantee: Dustin Pope
Property: Being a 9.513 acre of tract land, 25, out of the SE/4 of section 44, block 32, T-1-A, T and P Co. Survey
Date: Nov. 09, 2017

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#9595 November 12, 19, 2017

STONE COUSINS ENTERTAINMENT, LLC DBA SUGAR'S BAR IS MAKING

APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE COMMISSION FOR A

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JASON P. MIZE AND MELISSA S. MIZE OF SAID LLC.

#9610 November 19, 20, 2017

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0307485
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Nov 16, 2017 Status/Permit No. 830846
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Dec 21, 2017
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SM ENERGY COMPANY, [RRC Operator No. 788997] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the AMENDED NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 18, Bk. 31 T2N, T&P RR, A-1301, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, HOWARD County, being 14.4 miles NE direction from BIG SPRING, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and

Public Notice

the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protest must be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Dec 21, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : BIG DADDY B
Lease/Unit Well No. : 1845WA
Lease/Unit Acres : 637.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0

Lease Lines : 275.0 F N L, 200.0 F W L
Survey Lines : 275.0 F N L, 2442.0 F E L
Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal
Lateral: TH1

Penetration Point Location

Lease Lines 275.0 F N L 200.0 F W L
Terminus Location BH County: HOWARD Section: 25 Block: 31 T2N Abstract: 188
Survey: T&P RR CO
Lease Lines: 100.0 F S L 300.0 F W L
Survey Lines 100.0 F S L 2288.0 F E L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres. This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9500 feet. If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Lisa Hunt, at (432)8484833.

#9606 November 19, 26, & December 3, 10, 2017

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND INVITATION TO BID

Pursuant to Texas Education Code §11.153 and Texas Natural Resources Code §71.005, Big Spring Independent School District (the "District") hereby gives public notice of its intention to lease its mineral interests in approximately 18.3 acres of real property, set out in 22 separate tracts, all located in Howard County, Texas ("the Property"), which is more fully described as follows:

Tract 1: All of Lot 11, Block 5, MONTICELLO ADDITION, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat on file in the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas, and being the property located at 1805 S. Monticello Street, Big Spring, Texas.

Tract 2: All of Lot 12, Block 6, Brown Addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat thereof of record in the Plat Records of Howard County, Texas.

Tract 3: All of Lots 1 & 2, Block 2, COLE AND STRAYHORN ADDITION, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat on file in the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas, and being the property located at 600 11TH Place, Big Spring, Texas.

Tract 4: All of Lot 3, Block 2, COLE & STRAYHORN ADDITION, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat on file in the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas, and being the property located at 604 11TH Place, Big Spring, Texas.

Tract 5: All of Lot 4, Block 2, COLE & STRAYHORN ADDITION, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat on file in the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas, and being the property located at 606 11TH Place, Big Spring, Texas.

Tract 6: All of Lot 5, Block 2, COLE AND STRAYHORN ADDITION, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat on file in the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas, and being the property located at 610 11TH Place, Big Spring, Texas.

Tract 7: All of Lot 6, Block 2, COLE & STRAYHORN ADDITION, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat on file in the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas, and being the property located at 610 11TH Place, Big Spring, Texas.

Tract 8: All of Lot 1, Block 3, COLE & STRAYHORN ADDITION, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat on file in the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas.

Tract 9: All of Lot 2, Block 3, COLE & STRAYHORN ADDITION, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat on file in the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas, and being the property located at 702 11TH Place, Big Spring, Texas.

Tract 10: All of Lot 3, in Block 3, COLE & STRAYHORN ADDITION, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat on file in the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas, and being the property located at 704 11TH Place, Big Spring, Texas.

Tract 11: All of Lot 4, Block 3, COLE & STRAYHORN ADDITION, an addition to the City of Big Spring, Howard County, Texas, according to the proper map or plat on file in the office of the County Clerk of Howard County, Texas, and being the property located at 706 11TH Place, Big Spring, Texas.

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9	3	7	2	4	8	5	6	1
6	5	9	4	3	7	2	1	8
1	2	8	6	9	5	7	3	4
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Book with Solomon's accession
 - 7 Shell station illustrations
 - 15 Dubious defense
 - 16 Contract negotiator, at times
 - 17 Slip away
 - 18 Venerable
 - 19 Something framed for a wall
 - 20 They're seen in all Mexican magazines
 - 22 Neurologist nickname
 - 23 With 29 Down, sight below some Lincoln Memorials
 - 24 Deal stoppers
 - 25 Less-than-full shade
 - 26 Western predator
 - 28 Fight stoppers
 - 29 Unpolished
 - 30 \$7.5+-billion franchise
 - 32 Citrus accessory
 - 33 Portraying very well
 - 35 Four of the Bard's title characters
 - 38 What some scientists classify with birds
 - 42 Do text correction on
 - 43 Some forensic specialists
 - 44 Considerable caution
 - 45 Assemblage of buses
 - 46 Certain Fed
 - 47 AL Central team's logo
 - 48 Back in time
 - 49 Postulates
 - 51 Really moving, or immovable
 - 52 Metaphor for verbal flak
 - 54 Name akin to Emma
 - 56 Beans partner in pasta
 - 57 About eight pounds of water
 - 58 Detective fiction awards
 - 59 Space covered
- DOWN**
- 1 Freezies on a stick
 - 2 African source of caffeine
 - 3 Rio's Sol ___ Hotel
 - 4 "Sorry"
 - 5 ___ Goose (Donald Duck cousin)
 - 6 Mark meaning "keep"
 - 7 Pleasantly unpredictable
 - 8 Sites of electron flow
 - 9 What fills some full houses
 - 10 They've got you covered
 - 11 Superorganism member
 - 12 Element named for the rainbow
 - 13 Subject of *The World's Great Dailies*
 - 14 Eerie evocation
 - 21 Unable to
 - 25 Far beyond unfortunate
 - 27 Hard to know
 - 28 Speaks ill of
 - 29 See 23 Across
 - 31 Hand-held metal detector
 - 32 Speaks ill of
 - 34 Exhibit electron flow
 - 35 Can well appreciate
 - 36 Dagwood's "Yikes!"
 - 37 Western Mediterranean resort
 - 39 Chicago's Wall Street
 - 40 Wearing
 - 41 GPS ancestor
 - 43 One of 600+ Welsh attractions
 - 46 Faux pas
 - 49 Part of the Amazon Basin
 - 50 Pork casserole condiment
 - 51 Could well appreciate
 - 53 NFC West team logo
 - 55 But not more

X-Word

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BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



Sagittarius Energy Escalator

Yesterday's double Scorpio energy took us deep down in the soul, and today it moves up and out toward the horizon. The Sagittarian moon promises that new ideas will rise up to meet you like the steps of an escalator. You can get on at any point, or you can choose not to if you don't like where the conveyor is headed. Stay alert and aware.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Your heart is generous, and there's a symmetry that forms out of your kindness. It's as though your kindness draws its own mirror image as it goes, to breathtaking effect.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll delight people. You've a grand sense of showmanship and presentation, but you'll use it judiciously so as not to steal attention from those who believe they need it, which would foster jealousy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It's as if you can vividly feel the vibes of a person you're close to. When the words you hear are different from the feeling with which those words are being said, go with the feeling. It won't lie.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If you're still not sure what you want to do with your day, don't let that stop you. Just move. An intelligence will take over -- the knowing under the knowing.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). A dream can pull you through hard times or boring moments. A dream can fuel you, give you direction, stir

surfaces to breathe and then submerges to live, love, eat and fight. Similarly, today you'll take a cleansing breath in one world to do work in another.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Someone is on the fence. A nudge could tip this situation either way. Do you really want to take that chance? If you care a lot about where this lands, a big gesture will be needed, not a little push.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). A good mood meets fine timing and easy circumstances. You'll be given special treatment, and there are no strings attached to this, either. It's just your luck today.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 19). Greatness comes from experience. Try and try again. Keep going and you will eventually become a master. (The master has failed more times than the beginner has ever attempted!) There's a burst of energy and physical strength in January. A prize motivates you in March. New supporters come on board in May. Libra and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 48, 44, 20 and 19.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD: There's this whole thing about knowing your worth that may get a bit confusing this week in the shifting of dominant cosmic forces. It will be pretty easy to confuse your overall worth with the value of what you bring to one particular situation, thus making a terrible mistake of context in one of two ways. You could arrogantly assume that because you're so crucial to one scene, you've expertise and influence across the board. (Seems like a rookie mistake, but people do this all the time. Turn on any source of media and within five minutes you should be able to see an example of celebrities or experts boldly talking out of school on topics about which their knowledge is but cursory.)

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Before you move forward with a purchase, you need to learn something. The time for learning is before the money is exchanged, of course. This is when there is the greatest incentive for both parties to be open to careful listening.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). One person helping can create a whole culture of helping. Furthermore, the neatness, attitude and general contribution of one person will make a big difference. That one person is you, of course.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The sea goat for which your sign is named is part mammal, part fish. It

Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

The infernal optimist

North dealer. Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 10 5 3 2
♥ A Q J 7 5
♦ K 10
♣ K 5

WEST
♠ J 9
♥ 10 9
♦ J 9 8 7 4 2
♣ Q 7 6

EAST
♠ Q 7 4
♥ K 6 4 3 2
♦ 5
♣ 10 4 3 2

SOUTH
♠ A K 8 6
♥ 8
♦ A Q 6 3
♣ A J 9 8

The bidding:
North 1♥ East Pass South 1♠ West Pass
2♥ Pass 4NT Pass
5♦ Pass 6♣

Opening lead — seven of diamonds. Some players haven't a care in the world and let nothing bother them, while others, like Atlas, carry a whole world of worries on their shoulders. Consider this deal played in a match between Poland and China.

At the first table, the Polish North-South pair got to six spades on the bidding shown. Four notrump was Blackwood, and five diamonds showed one ace.

West led a diamond, won by dummy's ten, and South played a low trump to the ace, on which West produced the nine. The Polish declarer, obviously a chronic worrier, was afraid the nine might be a singleton, so to cover this possibility, he led the six of spades toward dummy's ten at trick three. This would have limited East to one trump trick had he started with the Q-J-7-4 of spades.

In the actual case, though, South's cautious approach backfired when West won with the jack and led a second diamond, ruffed by East for down one. Declarer's attempted safety play thus lost the slam by making allowance for a 4-1 spade division (which did not exist) as opposed to guarding against a 6-1 diamond division (which did exist).

At the second table, the Chinese South adopted a much more happy-go-lucky style in both the bidding and the play. The bidding went:
North 1♥ East Pass South 1♠ West Pass
2♣ Pass 6♣

Here, too, West led a diamond, taken by the ten. Declarer then played a spade to the ace and without a care in the world — continued with the king. As a result, the only trick South lost was a trump, and he easily made the slam.

Tomorrow: Famous Hand.
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Answer to previous puzzle

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BUT	PIECE	OF
EVER	ARES	ARLEN
DENT	NYSE	DELTS

Get gooped for the holidays with a Gwyneth Paltrow gift

By **LEANNE ITALIE**

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — Ridiculous but awesome might be a good place to start when it comes to Gwyneth Paltrow's gift selections via her lifestyle brand goop.

Goop curates the heck out of holiday shopping, both online and through pop-up stores in New York, Miami and Newport Beach, California. Prices go high and low in a range of categories, including gifts for hosts, animal lovers, travelers, "dreamers," lovers and the under-18 crowd.

But it's her over-the-top picks that often generate buzz. This year, that includes a \$16,500 at-home float tank from Royal Spa, an antique, hand-carved canoe (with oars!) for \$7,995 from Jayson Home and the Personal Yellow Submarine (for yacht-speople who have everything) that goes for, well, price upon request, from Y.Co.

And for the rest of us? Some highlights:

HOUSEWARMING

When the claro walnut timber, mirrored glass and burnished brass barcart for \$10,450 is out of reach, there's always the Psychic Vampire Repellent spray-able elixir, a mist that uses a combination of "gem healing" and aromatic oils to "banish bad vibes," \$28, from Paper Crane Apothecary.

Flowers arrangers: Goop lists a \$72 pair of carbon steel, 24-carat gold-plated snippers (14 centimeters long) from the U.K. scissor makers Ernest Wright & Son. Too steep? Go for the bar of Brooklyn-made coffee mint soap instead, from Saipua, \$18.

Got \$425 to spare for the best party giver in your life? Gift the White Insieme cheese knives, three in a set, handmade by a single craftsman in the Tuscan countryside. Handles are Lucite, blades are carbon and stainless steel.

THE KIDS

Sadly, the tot-size Christian Louboutin ballet slippers in satin, glitzy gold and silk — and price tag of \$250 — have sold out. There's always the gray alpaca beanie-style rabbit hat with long floppy ears for \$56, from Oeuf NYC.

Got a teen worth a \$1,499 gift? There's a skateboard hybrid with a huge rubber wheel at the center for use on a range of terrains, called the Onewheel.

Owning a chicken coop is one thing. Gifting a chicken coop rental, complete with egg-laying chickens, is quite another. It's called, appropriately enough, Rent the Chicken, and it operates through various providers around the U.S. A five-week rental goes for \$174, but prices vary depending on location.

STOCKING STUFFERS

A cool little wooden cube speaker with a built-in amplifier and crafted out of natural-hued beechwood. It offers four to five hours of playback per charge, \$50, from Kikkerland.

A bundle of "soothing bath and meditation aids," with aged essential oil, vegan soap, incense blends and a palo santo wood stick, \$38, from Incausa. Palo santo, for the record, means "holy wood" in Spanish.

Paltrow likes her charcoal. She offers us:

Kishu binchotan activated sticks from Japan that can be dropped into tap water to remove chemicals, soften water or improve the taste. They can also be added to a hot bath with promises of improved circulation and to detoxify, or placed in a garden to improve soil. A single stick usually lasts three to four months, \$16, from Morihata.

The same company offers and goop is selling an \$8 binchotan charcoal toothbrush. The bristles are charcoal infused. Says goop: "This brush is amazing for preventing bad breath and thoroughly cleansing teeth and your whole mouth."

And if that isn't enough charcoal choices, pick up a bar of Herbivore Botanicals bamboo charcoal soap for filtering and purifying and detoxifying and deep cleansing and exfoliating, for \$12.

If matcha's more like it: goop is selling Four Sigmatic Mushroom Matcha with Lion's Mane, an organic ceremonial-grade tea and extract of the frilly, anemone-like mushroom, to drink as a "stimulating morning ritual," 20 servings, \$33.

THE ANIMAL LOVERS

The Meeko Half-Tone Tepee by Max Bone is a \$160 cotton canvas tent for your dog.

A \$375 device from Petcube will fling treats at your dog or cat. It's also a two-way audio speaker and HD camera with a night vision option, and sound and motion alerts.

The chicest doggy-do baggy carrier one could ever need, from Cloud7. It's a \$42 felt pouch with a hook and gold buttons to latch onto a leash.

Also from Cloud7, a tweed travel pet bed in a sturdy hemp-cotton mix that folds up with Velcro straps and a car-



AP photo

In this June 10, 2017 photo provided by Goop, Gwyneth Paltrow stands for a photo at the "In goop Health" summit in Culver City, Calif. If your loved ones wouldn't think twice about guzzling organic wheat grass, getting a vitamin infused IV drip or putting leeches on their face for an extra glow, then send them to Paltrow's second annual Goop Health Summit — the mecca of all things wellness. This year's summits will be in New York and Los Angeles. Last year's summit made headlines with workouts led by fitness gurus Tracy Anderson and Taryn Toomey, panels discussions with scientists, doctors and actors like Drew Barrymore, along with binaural beats meditation, acupuncture and tarot card readings.

ry strap and folds out into a fuzzy sheep's wool blend mat, \$100.

THE DREAMERS

Who doesn't have a few? Sometimes it's more about the idea than the gift.

Moon Juice Brain Dust, \$38. It's "an enlightening edible formula alchemized to align you with the mighty cosmic flow needed for great achievement," says goop. It recommends adding one teaspoon of the herbal supple-

ment to 8 ounces of any hot or cold liquid, good for 25 servings. What's in it? Organic astragalus, shilajit, maca, lion's mane, rhodiola, ginkgo and stevia. For the gift recipient near, in or willing to travel to Landers, California:

There's a structure there called The Integration described by its operators as a "resonant tabernacle and energy machine sited on a powerful geomagnetic vortex in the magical Mojave Desert."

More specifically, the late George Van Tassel claimed the structure is based on the design of Moses' Tabernacle, the writings of Nikola Tesla and telepathic directions from extraterrestrials.

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Franken faces ethics probe after woman says he groped her

By **MATTHEW DALY and JULIET LINDERMAN**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Minnesota Sen. Al Franken faces a storm of criticism and a likely ethics investigation after a Los Angeles radio anchor accused him Thursday of forcibly kissing her and groping her during a 2006 USO tour. He is the first member of Congress caught up in the recent wave of allegations of sexual abuse and inappropriate behavior.

Franken apologized, but the criticism only grew through the day. Fellow Democrats swiftly condemned his actions, mindful of the current climate as well as the prospect of political blowback.

Republicans, still forced to answer for the multiple allegations facing Alabama Senate candidate Roy Moore, joined in pressing for an investigation. Franken said he would welcome it.

Leeann Tweeden posted her allegations, including a photo of Franken and her, on the website of KABC, where she works as a news anchor for a morning radio show. The photo shows Franken posing in a joking manner, smiling at the camera with his hands on her chest as she naps wearing a flak vest aboard a military plane. Both had been performing for military personnel in Afghanistan two years before the one-time "Saturday Night Live" comedian was elected to the Senate.

Tweeden said Thursday that before an earlier show Franken had persisted in rehearsing a kiss and "aggressively stuck his tongue in my mouth." Now, she said, "every time I hear his voice or see his face, I am angry." She's angry with herself, too, she said, for not speaking out at the time "but I didn't want to rock the boat."

Franken, 66, is the latest public figure to be caught in the deluge of revelations of sexual harassment and misconduct that have crushed careers, ruined reputations and prompted criminal investigations in Hollywood, business and beyond.

The swift rebukes from both Republican and Democratic lawmakers suggest that momentum from the on-line #Metoo movement has begun to spur a culture shift on Capitol Hill, where current and former staffers say misogynistic and predatory behavior has long been an open secret.

In a statement Thursday, Franken apologized to Tweeden and his constituents while maintaining that he remembered the rehearsal differently. Tweeden said she accepted his apology.

"Coming from the world of comedy, I've told and written a lot of jokes that I once thought were funny but later came to realize were just plain offensive," Franken wrote.

"I respect women. I don't respect men who don't," Franken added. "And the fact that my own actions have given people a good reason to doubt that makes me feel ashamed."

Of the photo, Franken said: "I look at it now, and I feel disgusted with myself. It isn't funny. It's completely inappropriate. It's obvious how Leeann would feel violated by that picture."

President Donald Trump ridiculed Franken in tweets Thursday night: "The Al Frankenstien picture is really bad, speaks a thousand words. Where do his hands go in pictures 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 while she sleeps? And to think that just last week he was lecturing anyone who would listen about sexual harassment and respect for women. Lesley Stahl tape?"

Trump, who misspelled the



AP photo

In this image provided by the U.S. Army, then-comedian Al Franken and sports commentator Leeann Tweeden perform a comic skit for service members during the USO Sergeant Major of the Army's 2006 Hope and Freedom Tour in Camp Arifjan, Kuwait, on Dec. 15, 2006. Sen. Al Franken, D-Minn., apologized Nov. 16, 2017, after Tweeden accused him of forcibly kissing her during the 2006 USO tour. Colleagues, including fellow Democrats, urged a Senate ethics investigation. Tweeden also accused Franken of posing for a photo with his hands on her breasts as she slept, while both were performing for military personnel two years before the one-time comedian was elected to the Senate.

name Frankenstein, referred to a New York magazine story from 1995 in which Franken, while a writer for "Saturday Night Live," suggested a skit in which "60 Minutes" commentator Andy Rooney would muse about drugging correspondent Leslie Stahl and taking pictures of her.

Trump has been publicly silent about the allegations against Moore, the Republican nominee in Alabama's special Senate election. Through a spokeswoman, he called the allegations of sexual misconduct against the former judge "very troubling" but stopped short of calling on Moore to drop out.

The accusations against Franken come just days after the Senate unanimously ad-

opted mandatory sexual harassment training for members and staffs amid a flood of stories about harassment, sexual misconduct and gender hostility from staffers, aides and even female elected officials.

On Tuesday, Rep. Jackie Speier, D-Calif., testified in the House that two current lawmakers, one Republican and one Democrat, were known to have engaged in sexual harassment.

Speier did not name the lawmakers — at the request of the victims, she said, and because of a non-disclosure agreement. Speier has become a voice for sexual harassment awareness after coming forward with her own story of being assaulted

by a chief of staff when she was a congressional aide.

Tweeden on Thursday said Speier inspired her to share her story.

"If I'm going to tell my story, now is the time. 2017 is not 2006. It's just a different time," she said at a news conference Thursday in Los Angeles.

Senate Democrats spoke with one voice in describing Franken's actions as unacceptable and calling for an ethics probe. Franken's fellow Minnesota Democrat, Amy Klobuchar, said, "This should not have happened to Leeann Tweeden. I strongly condemn this behavior, and the Senate Ethics Committee must open an investigation."

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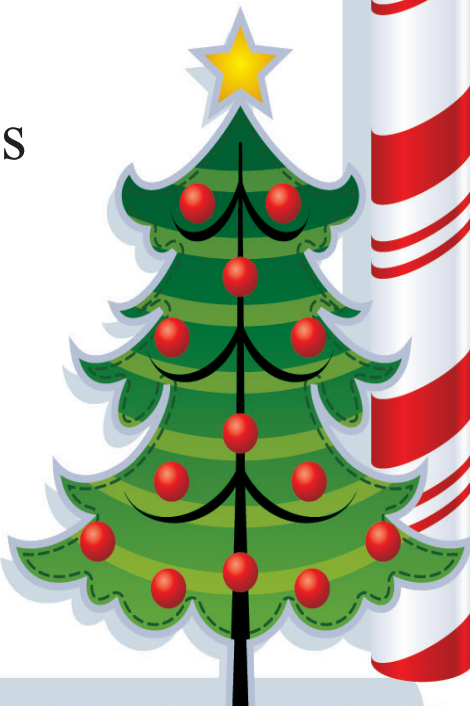
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Pumpkin Brown Sugar Cheesecake

By Anna Gutierrez

Brown Sugar Cheesecake:

All ingredients should be room temp.
3 blocks (8 ozs each) of cream cheese (low fat does not work as well) 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
1/2 cup granulated sugar
3 large eggs
6 tbs heavy cream 1-1/2 tsp cinnamon 1 tsp vanilla

Prepare a 9" springform pan by spraying well with cooking spray. Cut a circle of parchment paper to fit into the bottom of the pan. Then wrap the outside of the pan in foil so water does not seep into the cheesecake as it is baking.

In a mixer, beat cream cheese until smooth. Add brown sugar and sugar and beat until well combined. Next, add eggs, one at a time, and mix after each egg until just blended. Next add the cream, cinnamon and vanilla. Mix until just combined.

Pour cheesecake batter into the springform pan, and place the pan in a baking dish large enough for a water bath. Add boiling water to the baking dish so it comes about halfway up the springform pan. Bake at 350 degrees for approximately one hour. The edges and top of cheesecake should be set but slightly jiggly. Once the cheesecake reaches this stage, turn oven off and leave cheesecake in oven for an additional 30 minutes. After 30 minutes, prop the oven door open with the handle of a wooden spoon, and leave cheesecake in oven for an additional 30 minutes to cool. Remove cheesecake from water bath and allow to cool completely before assembling the cake.

Pumpkin Cake:

2-1/4 cups flour
1 tsp baking powder
1 tsp baking soda
3/4 tsp salt
2 tsp cinnamon
1/2 tsp nutmeg
1/2 tsp ginger
1/4 tsp ground cloves
1 cup sugar
3/4 cup packed light brown sugar
1/2 cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, melted & cooled slightly
1/2 cup vegetable oil
4 large eggs (at room temperature)
1-15oz can pumpkin puree (not pumpkin pie filling)
1/3 cup milk
1-1/2 tsp vanilla extract
1/2 cup finely chopped pecans

Combine flour, baking soda, powder, salt, cinnamon, nutmeg, ginger & cloves. In a separate bowl, mix eggs and sugar until light & fluffy. Add oil and butter and mix until combined. Combine pumpkin puree, milk & vanilla. Alternate adding dry ingredients with the milk/pumpkin mixture, starting and ending with the dry, and mix until just combined. Add pecans and mix until just combined. Pour into 2 9 inch circular cake pans. Bake at 350 degrees for 25-30 minutes until toothpick inserted into center of cake comes out clean. Cool for 10 minutes, then remove from pans. Allow pumpkin cake to cool completely before assembling.

White Chocolate Cream Cheese Frosting:

All ingredients should be at room temperature
2-2/3 cups white chocolate chips 2 cup unsalted butter
2 8 oz package of cream cheese 2 tsp lemon juice
4 tsp vanilla extract
1/2 tsp salt
5 cups confectioners sugar

In a double boiler, melt white chocolate chips and allow to cool slightly. In an electric mixer, combine cream cheese and butter until light & fluffy. Add vanilla, salt and lemon juice; mix until well blended. Add cooled, melted white chocolate, and beat until well blended. Gradually add in confectioners sugar, on low speed, and beat until well blended scraping sides of the bowl as needed. There should not be any clumps in the frosting.

Sister's Blackberry Wine Cake

By Vernetta Hill

1 box white cake mix
1 box blackberry jello
2 tsp cinnamon
4 eggs
3/4 cup oil
1 cup wine (blackberry)
350 degrees in bundt pan for 45 minutes or until cake is done.

Glaze:

1/4 cup melted butter
1 cup powdered sugar
1/4 cup wine
Mix until smooth. Add powdered sugar, if needed, to get right consistency. Garnish each slice with cool whip & crushed blackberries, sweetened with a little sugar. Pour glaze over cake, after cake is turned onto plate.

Tomorrow's Salad

By Loma Jean Wynn

1 small can frozen orange juice (still frozen)
1 cup whipping cream
1 small can crushed pineapple
2 bananas
1 cup tiny marshmallows
1/2 cup chopped pecans
Optional - 1 cup coconut

Beat cream until fluffy. Add orange juice, undiluted. Add pineapple, undrained. Add sliced bananas. Add marshmallows. Add pecans and coconut.
Serves 5-6

Watergate Cake

By Judy West

1 white cake mix
3 - 3 oz. package pistachio pudding mix
Milk
Dream Whip

Prepare cake mix as directed on package, adding one package of pistachio pudding mix and an extra 1/2 cup water. Divide batter into two 8" cake pans that have been sprayed with Baker's Joy. Bake at 350 degrees until done. Remove from oven and let cool. Prepare frosting - 2 packages Dream Whip with two packages of pistachio pudding mix (use milk as directed on packages). You can adjust consistency of frosting by adding a small amount of either dream whip or milk, as desired.

Place one cake later on cake plate. Frost and then add the other layer. Frost top and sides. Store in fridge.

Yule Logs

By Mamie Lee Dodds

2 1/2 cups sifted flour
1/2 cup confectioner's sugar
1/4 T salt
1/4 cup molasses
1 T vanilla
1 cup chopped nuts

Blend flour, sugar and salt, 1/4 cup shortening. Stir in molasses and vanilla until dough is smooth. Chill dough at least one hour. Break off small lumps of dough and shape into logs about 3 inches long. Roll in chopped nuts and arrange on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake in 325 degree oven for 15 minutes.
Yield 3 dozen cookies.

Peppermint Meltaways By Peggy Skiles

1 cup butter, softened
1/2 cup confectioners' sugar
1/2 teaspoon peppermint extract
1-1/4 cups all-purpose flour
1/2 cup cornstarch
FROSTING:
2 tablespoons butter, softened
1-1/2 cups confectioners' sugar
2 tablespoons 2% milk
1/4 teaspoon peppermint extract
2 to 3 drops red food coloring, optional
1/2 cup crushed peppermint candies

In a small bowl, cream butter and confectioners' sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in extract. Combine flour and cornstarch; gradually add to creamed mixture and mix well. Shape into 1-in. balls. Place 2 in. apart on ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 350° for 10-12 minutes or until bottoms are lightly browned. Remove to wire racks to cool. In a small bowl, beat butter until fluffy. Add the confectioners' sugar, milk, extract and food coloring if desired; beat until smooth. Spread over cooled cookies; sprinkle with crushed can-

dies. Store in an airtight container. Yield: 3-1/2 dozen.

Cranberry Clafouti By Peggy Skiles

1 T. unsalted butter, room temperature, for dish
1/2 c. plus 2 T granulated sugar
1/4 c. plus 2 T granulated all-purpose flour
Pinch of salt
2 large eggs
3/4 c. chilled heavy cream
3/4 c. whole milk
2 t. finely grated orange zest
1 1/2 c. fresh or thawed frozen cranberries, coarsely chopped
Garnish: confectioners' sugar

Preheat oven to 400 . Butter a 1-quart baking dish (not metal); sprinkle 2 T. granulated sugar over bottom. Combine remaining 1/2 c. granulated sugar, the flour, and salt into a large bowl. Gradually whisk in eggs, 3/4 c. cream, the milk, and zest. Scatter cranberries into dish; pour batter over top. Bake until puffed, slightly set, and brown around edges, 32 to 34 minutes. Let cool on a wire

rack for 15 minutes (it will sink). Dust with confectioners' sugar. Best eaten warm.

Pink Lemonade Icebox Pie By Gloria McDonald

1 can eagle brand milk
1 6 oz. can pink lemonade, thawed
1 small Cool Whip
1 pie crust of choice (graham cracker or baked)

Mix Eagle brand and lemonade. Fold in Cool Whip; pour in the pie shell. Place in refrigerator for several hours or overnight.

Pistachio Pudding By Corina Avila

1 – 16 oz. cottage cheese
2 boxes instant pudding; pistachio flavor
1 small can shredded pineapple

Prepare pudding as directed on box. Combine all ingredients in a jello mold, can be garnished with pineapple rings on bottom of mold before folding in mixture. Chill till hardened and enjoy.

Appetizers

Avocado Soup By Arthur Dodds

4 fully ripe avocados, peeled and pitted
3 cups cold chicken broth
2 T lime juice
1/2 T salt
1/2 T garlic powder
2 cups chilled cream

Put all ingredients except cream into blender container. Cover and blend until smooth. Mix with cream and chill thoroughly. Serve with lemon slices, or garnish as desired. 6 servings

Bacon Chocolate Popcorn By Mamie Lee Dodds

1 microwave bag popcorn
5 slices bacon
1/2 cup chocolate chips melted

Pop corn according to directions on the bag. Meanwhile, cook bacon and crumble on jelly-roll pan. Sprinkle with melted chocolate chips. Add the crisp bacon to popcorn in the bag. Shake to coat popcorn evenly. Chill until chocolate is set. Makes 8 servings.

Cranberry/Apricot Marmalade By Gloria McDonald

1 – 12 oz. pkg. fresh cranberries
1 - cup sugar
1 – cup water
1/2 - cup apricot preserves
2 – tablespoons lemon juice
1/3 - cup toasted almond slices
1 – 8 oz. pkg. cream cheese

Bring sugar and water to a boil – boil 5 minutes without stirring. Add package of washed

cranberries and cook until they pop. Add apricot preserves. Stir in lemon juice. Cool. Add almond. Pour over block of cream cheese and serve with Ritz type crackers.

Cranberry Salsa By Misty

Matthies

1/2 Cup Cilantro, fresh leaves
1 – 12 ounce package Cranberries
6 – Green onions
1 – Jalapeno pepper
1 tbsp Lime juice, fresh
1 cup Granulated sugar
Cracker assorted
1 – 8 oz cream cheese

Place cranberries and sugar into a food processor. Pulse until coarsely chopped. In medium bowl, stir together cranberry mixture, green onions, jalapeno, cilantro and lime juice. Cover and refrigerate several hours or overnight. When ready to serve, pour cranberry salsa over cream cheese. Serve with assorted crackers.

Cream Cheese Delights By Eloise Wynn

Soften 1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese at room temperature. Add 3 tbsp. honey until creamy. Add 1/4 cup chopped nuts and 1/2 lb. chopped dates; mix well. Form into small balls and roll in flaked coconut. Freeze until cold and firm.

Grape Salad By Vernetta Hill

1 lb. green seedless grapes
1 lb. red seedless grapes
1 8 oz. pkg. cream cheese, softened
1 jar marshmallow cream
1 pkg. (or 1 cup) shredded cheddar cheese
About 1/2 cup walnut or pecan pieces

Take grapes off vine and wash thoroughly. Put in large bowl. Add cream cheese, marshmallow cream, nuts, & shredded cheese. Mix well & refrigerate 1 hour before serving.

Ham and Chicken in Cranberry Sauce By Mamie Lee Dodds

1 cup sugar
1/2 pound fresh cranberries
1T lemon juice
1/4 cup catsup
Fully cooked ham and chicken, cubed

Combine sugar, 1 cup water in a sauce pan and stir until sugar is dissolved. Heat to boiling point and boil for about 5 minutes. Add cranberries and cook for about 5 minutes, or until skins pop. Remove from heat. Strain catsup and lemon juice. Pour into small pan and add ham and chicken in sauce. Keep warm over hot water. Spear with colored toothpicks to serve.

Honey Chicken Salad By Alfonso Baca III

6 chicken breasts
1/2 cup mayo
2 tbs. honey
Salt & pepper to taste
12 red grapes cut in quarters

Boil chicken until done. Let cool some. Chop or shred chicken. Add mayo and honey. Mix well. Add grapes. Salt and pepper to taste.

Jalapeno Bites By Arthur Dodds

12 crackers
1 banana, sliced
1 jar pickled sliced jalapenos
3/4 cup cheddar cheese, shredded

Place crackers on baking sheet. Top each with one slice banana, 1 slice pickled jalapeno and one tablespoon cheddar cheese. Broil until bubbly. 4 servings

Red Onion, Tomato & Cucumber Salad By Corina Avila

4 cucumbers; cubed or sliced
1 red onion; cut in slices, then halved
2 tomatoes; cubed
1/2 cup raspberry vinaigrette dressing
Lemon pepper for flavoring

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Appetizers

Mix all ingredients in large bowl. Add raspberry dressing. Add lemon pepper for flavoring.

Salsa

By Gloria McDonald

- 3 – 15 oz. cans whole tomatoes
- Chop in food processor
- Pour into large bowl

Add:

- 1 – 15 oz. can of tomato sauce
- 2 – tablespoons garlic salt
- 1 – tablespoon crushed red pepper
- 1 – cup finely chopped green onions (with some green tops)

Bacon Wrapped Green Beans By Alfonso Baca III

Large bag of green beans, frozen
2 lbs. of bacon
Season to taste; salt, pepper, seasoned salt, steak seasoning, bbq sauce, etc.

Bundle 5-6 frozen green beans and wrap with a slice of bacon. Season with your favorite seasonings and bake in oven at 325 degrees for 10-12 minutes. Enjoy!

Baked Carrots and

Potatoes with Nutmeg By Mamie Lee Dodds

½ cup onions, chopped
1 T butter
4 carrots, peeled and julienned
4 potatoes, peeled and julienned
Salt and pepper to taste
Freshly ground nutmeg
1 cup cream

In pan, saute onions in butter. Place half the carrots in greased oven proof dish. Top with half of potatoes and all of the onions. Sprinkle with salt and pepper

2 lbs. pork sausage
¼ cup picante sauce
Milk to thin sauce

Roll sausage into 3/4” balls. Broil until done. Place sausage rolls in casserole dish. Melt cheese over very low heat. Stir in picante sauce. More or less picante sauce may be added according to the amount of hotness desired. It is sometimes desirable to thin sauce with milk. Pour sauce over balls, being sure all sides are coated. May be served with toothpicks for hors d’oeuvres. Makes about 64 balls.

Sushi-Won

and nutmeg. Repeat with remaining vegetables. Pour in cream. Cover and bake at 350 degrees for 50-60 minutes or until vegetables are done and liquid is absorbed. 4-5 servings

Carr-Tato By Ellen Austin

4 to 5 medium potatoes
2 medium carrots
4 tablespoons soft butter
¼ cup milk
Salt and pepper to taste

Peel and chop potatoes. Peel and cut carrots half the size of the potatoes. Put both

Refrigerate in closed containers. Makes approximately 4 ½ quart jars

Sausage Con Queso By Arthur Dodds

By Ellen Austin

12 wonton wrappers
¼ tablespoon sesame oil
1 carrot, shredded
½ cup finely chopped cucumber
½ cup finely chopped red onion
1 cup sushi rice
1 cup packaged flaked salmon

With the sesame oil brush each wonton wrapper. Press each wrapper into muffin pans to form a bowl. Bake in a 350 degree oven for 5 to 7 minutes. Cool on rack.

Make sushi rice:
1 cup water
1 cup long grain rice
3 tablespoons rice vinegar
1 teaspoon sugar
Salt to taste

Cook rice according to package directions. (This is a good time to use any leftover rice) Cool. Add vinegar, sugar and salt. Mix well. Fill cooled wonton bowls with a tablespoon of rice. Top with flaked salmon. (Also chopped shrimp or flaked crab meat can be used in place of salmon) Mix carrot, cucumber, and onion together. Top salmon with vegetables. Enjoy.

Vegetables



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By Gloria McDonald

Mix together:
1 – 8 oz. cream cheese
1 – 8 oz. sour cream
1 – tablespoon vanilla

Mix in:
4 pounds large green grapes
Spread on cookie sheet and put in fridge overnight

Mix together:
1 cup of brown sugar
2 cups chopped pecans

Mix with grape mixture and serve chilled.

Jello Salad By Judy West

2 – 3 oz. pkg. black cherry jello
2 cans red tart cherries
2 cans pineapple tidbits
2 cups chopped pecans

Prepare jello according to package directions. After jello is set, add other ingredients. Keep refrigerated until serving.

Mandarin Orange Pie By Gloria McDonald

1 cup mandarin orange slices
1 can Eagle brand milk
2 medium-size lemons
Vanilla wafers
½ cup pecans
1 carton whipping cream
2 tsp. sugar

Butter bottom and sides of a pie pan. Line whole vanilla wafers around the side and bottom. In bowl, pour Eagle brand milk and juice of 2 lemons and stir. Drain juice of the oranges; then put the slices into pie shell. Beat the whipping cream (with 2 teaspoons of sugar) until it peaks; spread on top and put in refrigerator for at least 2 hours before serving.

Marble Pecan Pound Cake By Corina Avila

2 cups of flour
½ cup brown sugar; I like to use coconut & brown sugar mixed brand
1 teaspoon vanilla

½ stick butter

2 semi-sweet chocolate bars melted
½ stick butter
1 cup pecans, chopped

Mix all dry ingredients, vanilla, butter in a large mixing bowl. Set batter aside. In a small sauce pan melt chocolate & butter. Set aside. Pour ½ of batter in bundt cake pan. Add chocolate mixture. With the knife make a ½ circle motion in the bundt pan all the way around. If you use a 3 prong fork the letter in the center of the cake will be an “E”. I like to do “C” for my name. I garnish the bottom of the bundt pan with pecans before pouring the batter then when the cake comes out I garnish it with holly & berry and place a bow on the bottom to look like a wreath. A good gift for family members as a Christmas goody.

Pecan Pie By Betty McChristian

1 ½ cup white sugar
½ cup white Karo
¼ cup butter
3 eggs
1 cup pecan pieces
1 tsp. vanilla

Combine sugar, syrup, and butter; bring to a boil. Beat eggs, nuts, and vanilla. Pour hot syrup over egg mixture and let cool. Pour into unbaked pie shell and bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes.

Penuche By Eloise Wynn

1 lb. box light brown sugar
½ tbsp. butter/margarine
¾ cup milk
1 tsp. vanilla
1/8 tsp salt
½ cup chopped nuts

Combine sugar, milk and salt in 2 quart saucepan. Cook over med heat; stirring until sugar dissolves. When mixture comes to a boil, cook without stirring to soft ball stage (238 degrees). Remove from heat. Add butter without stirring; cool to lukewarm (110 degrees). Add vanilla; beat until mixture thickens. Add nuts and beat until thick and creamy. Pour at once into greased 8” square pan. Mark in 24 pieces while warm. Cut when cool and firm.

Combine cranberries, lemon, cinnamon, water and brown sugar. Cook 10 minutes or until cranberries pop. Meanwhile, pare and core apples and place in a greased baking dish. Fill apples with cranberry mixture. Place a whole clove in top of apples (remove before serving). Bake at 350 degrees till apples are tender. Baste several times.

Cranberry Cobbler By Mamie Lee Dodds

1 ½ cups fresh cranberries or 2 cups whole berry sauce
½ cup sugar if fresh berries are used
1 egg, beaten
½ cup sugar
½ cup flour
½ cup melted butter
½ cup chopped walnuts or pecans

Sprinkle fresh fruit with sugar; place berries or whole berry sauce in baking dish. Combine egg and sugar. Add remaining ingredients. Pour over cranberries. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes. Serve warm with cream or ice cream.

Crispy Truffles By Ellen Austin

½ cup heavy cream
1 – 12 oz. package white chocolate chips
2 teaspoons vanilla
1 cup finely chopped pecans
1 package candy melts; chocolate or white chocolate
4 cups crisp rice cereal

In a saucepan bring cream to a boil. Place white chocolate chips in a large bowl. Pour the hot cream over chips. Let stand for 1 minute. Gently whisk until smooth. Add vanilla and pecans. Stir to combine. Refrigerate until cool and firm; about 30 minutes. Remove mixture from refrig-

erator and scoop (with a teaspoon or very small cookie scoop) mixture to form into a ball shape. Place on a cookie sheet and refrigerate about 30 minutes or until firm. In a double boiler or candy melt pot (usually electric) melt chocolate. At this time if you would like to do your truffles in color you will tint the chocolate. Place the cereal in a shallow dish. Remove truffles from refrigerator and dip each one into chocolate and then roll in cereal. Place them back on cookie sheet and refrigerate at least 15 minutes before serving.

Elvis Delight By Ellen Austin

1 box (1 pound) graham crackers
1 (3.4 oz.) box instant banana pudding
3 cups milk
1 very soft banana, mashed
1 (8 oz.) container frozen whipped topping, thawed
1 ½ cups confectioners' sugar
½ cup cocoa
2 tablespoons creamy peanut butter
1 tablespoon butter, softened
3 tablespoons milk
2 teaspoons light corn syrup
2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract

Butter the bottom of a 13x9x2 inch pan. Line with whole graham crackers. In bowl beat milk and pudding. Add banana. Beat well. Fold in whipped topping. Pour half of mixture over graham crackers. Top with second layer of graham crackers. Pour remaining mixture over graham crackers. Top with third layer of graham crackers. In a clean bowl blend together sugar and cocoa. Add peanut butter, butter and milk. Mix well. Add syrup and vanilla. Stir until creamy. Cover cake with chocolate frosting. Refrigerate for 24 hours. Serves 20-24

Fluffy Pumpkin Pie By Gloria McDonald

1 cup crushed pumpkin (not pie filling)
1 can Eagle brand condensed milk
1 small pkg. instant vanilla pudding
1 cup Cool Whip
1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice

1 graham cracker crust

Mix all ingredients together. Put into pie crust. Chill 2 to 4 hours.

Frozen Fruit Salad By Gloria McDonald

1 – 8 oz. pkg. cream cheese
2 tablespoons Mayonnaise
2 bananas, cut in small pieces
1 small carton whipping cream
½ cup Maraschino Cherries, cut in pieces
½ cup pecans, chopped

Beat whipping cream until pikes. Beat cream cheese until creamy. Mix all ingredients except whipping cream. Then fold into whipping cream. Pour into muffin pans and freeze. I use muffin cups as liners. Good as a sweet salad or dessert.

Fruit Cocktail Cake By Eloise Wynn

Pam spray
Topping:
1 can (15 oz.) fruit cocktail in heavy syrup ¾
cup sugar
1 box plain white cake mix
1 stick butter
2 eggs
1 can (5 oz.) evap. milk
½ cup packed brown sugar
1 pkg. (7 oz.) coconut
½ cup chopped nuts

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly spray Pam in 13"x9" pan. Drain fruit cocktail, reserving syrup. Empty cake mix and eggs in large mixing bowl with syrup; beat on low speed 1-2 minutes, scraping sides. Stir in fruit cocktail. Turn into baking pan; sprinkle with brown sugar and nuts. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes. Remove from oven and poke holes in cake. Spoon warm topping over cake. Serve 16 to 20.

Topping: Place sugar, butter and milk in saucepan. Bring to boil over med-high heat; stirring 2 to 3 minutes. Remove pan from heat and stir in coconut. Cover pan to keep warm until cake is ready.

German Chocolate Cake By Betty McChristian

1 (4 oz.) pkg. Baker's German sweet chocolate



potatoes and carrots together in a sauce pan and cover with cold water. Cook until carrots and potatoes are soft; drain. Put carrots and potatoes in a mixing bowl. Add butter and salt and pepper. With electric beater whip potatoes and carrots. Adding milk just enough to make them light and fluffy. This serves about 4 people but you can double or triple it.

Chicken Fried Green Beans By Mamie Lee Dodds

3 T cornmeal or 2 T raw wheat germ
2 T garlic powder
¼ T salt
¼ T pepper
3 T butter
1 can (16 oz.) green beans, drained

Put flour, cornmeal, garlic powder, salt and pepper in a large plastic container with lid. Add green beans. Shake well until beans are completely coated. Heat butter in skillet until bubbly. Add beans; cook over high heat, stirring occasionally. Cook 10 minutes or until coating is crunchy and brown. Serve hot with extra butter if desired.

Four Bean Salad By Eloise Wynn

1 can wax beans
½ cup vegetable oil
1 can garbanzos
½ cup sugar
1 can green beans
¾ cup vinegar
1 can kidney beans
1 green bell pepper, sliced
½ cup sliced celery

Drain beans; toss with celery, onion and peppers in large bowl. Thoroughly mix sugar, oil and vinegar. Pour over vegetables. Toss with fork to evenly coat. Cover and refrigerate 8 hours, toss-

ing several times. Serve cold. Serves 8

Onion Pimiento Cheese Grits By Mamie Lee Dodds

2 cups uncooked grits, yellow if available
1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese, softened

½ cup mayonnaise
3 cups shredded Monterey Jack cheese
1 jar (4 oz.) diced pimiento; drained
3 green onions, diced
1 T sugar
¼ cup butter, softened
Dash of cayenne pepper
Salt and pepper to taste

Prepare grits according to package directions; keep warm. Using mixer, beat cream cheese and mayonnaise until creamy. Add next 5 ingredients, mixing until well blended. Stir mixture into warm grits, season to taste; mix well. 16 servings

Sweet and Sour Celery By Mamie Lee Dodds

1 stalk celery cut in 2" pieces, about 4 cups
1 egg, lightly beaten
2 T flour
2 T sugar
1 T salt
2 T lemon juice
¼ cup sour cream

Cook celery in enough boiling salted water to cover until tender, about 10 minutes. Drain celery, reserving 1 cup liquid for later use. In medium saucepan, blend egg, flour, salt and pepper. Stir in lemon juice and reserved liquid. Cook over moderate heat, stirring until mixture come to boil. Simmer until thickened; 1-2 minutes. Remove from heat, and stir in sour cream. Heat until hot. Pour over celery.

Sweet Potato Souffle By Loma Jean Wynn

3 eggs, separated
2 cups mashed sweet potatoes
4 tbsp. butter

2 tbsp. brown sugar
1/3 cup light cream
½ tsp. cinnamon
¼ tsp nutmeg

Beat egg yolks. Beat egg whites until stiff. Mix all ingredients except marshmallows with yolks. Fold in egg whites. Pile in greased casserole dish. Top with marshmallows. Bake at 325 degrees for 1 hour. Serves 6

Turnips with Orange and Onion Sauce By Mamie Lee Dodds

1 onion, chopped
2T butter
Juice of 2 oranges
1 lb. turnips, pared and cut into chunks
½ cup chicken stock
Salt and pepper to taste

Saute onion in butter in large pot. Add orange juice, turnips, and enough chicken stock to cover. Season with salt and pepper. Cover and let simmer for 25-30 minutes or until turnips are done. Drain liquid into a small saucepan and place turnips on a warmed platter. Boil sauce rapidly until reduced to desired consistency, pour over turnips. Serve with pork.





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Chicken and Squash Casserole By Mamie Lee Dodds

3 cups cubed yellow squash
2 T butter or margarine
1 can condensed cream of chicken soup
½ cup condensed cream of chicken soup
½ cup chopped pimiento
½ cup soft bread crumbs
2 T melted margarine
Nuts

Arrange layers of squash, bits of butter, soup, nuts and pimiento in casserole. Top with bread crumbs and butter tossed together. Bake in 350 degree oven for about 40 minutes until tender. 6 servings

Green Bean Casserole By Loma Jean Wynn

20 oz. can green beans (drained) I use Allen's.
1 small onion (chopped)
1 can cream of mushroom soup (10 ½ oz.)
2 tbsp. pimentos
1 cup grated cheese
1 small can green chilies

2 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
6 oz. can Fried onions
½ cup slivered almonds
½ tsp. garlic salt
Salt, pepper to taste

Drain beans. Chop onion. Add mushroom soup. Add pimentos. Add ½ cup cheese. Add green chilies. Add Worcestershire sauce. Add ½ of Fried Onion can. Add slivered almonds. Add ¼ tsp. garlic salt, 1 tsp. salt ½ tsp pepper. Mix all together well. Put in grease & 2 qt. dish. Put other half of Fried onions and cheese on top. Bake at 350 degrees for 25 to 30 minutes and top is brown. 8-10 servings

Jalapeno Popper Tator Tot Casserole By Alfonso Baca III

1 large bag of tator tots
2 lbs. cream cheese, softened
1 lb. of bacon, cooked and crumbled
4-6 jalapeno's, diced small
1 lb. of hamburger meat, cooked & drained
1 lb. of shredded cheese, split into 2 equal bowls

Add all ingredients, except for 1 bowl of shredded cheese, in a large bowl and mix well. Pour into a greased 13x9" cake pan and bake at 325 degrees for 25 minutes. Top with remaining cheese and put back in oven until cheese is melted. Remove from oven and serve.

Macaroni & Tomato Casserole By Corina Avila

1 large bag of elbow

macaroni; I like to use large macaroni's
1 large can of diced tomatoes
1 ½ cups shredded cheddar cheese

Boil macaroni & drain. Add can of tomatoes (without the juice). Mix and blend with the 1 cup shredded cheese. Place in large casserole bowl. Add other ½ of shredded cheese on top of casserole. Bake covered at 350 degrees for 25 minutes or until cheese is gooey and well melted. This is the 1st item to disappear off of your holiday table.

Mexican Casserole By Judy West

1 lb. lean ground beef
1 small can green chiles
One medium onion
Season with black pepper and garlic salt
1 can ranch style beans
1 can cream of chicken soup
3 cups grated cheese
Nacho chips (crushed)

Brown ground beef/onion in skillet. Add green chiles, beans, nacho chips, soup, and 2 cups cheese. Bake at 350 degrees until hot and bubbly. Sprinkle top with remaining cheese and bake until cheese is melted. Serve hot with crackers or nacho chips.

Rice and Chicken Hash By Ellen Austin

1 cup cooked and chopped chicken
¾ cup cooked white rice
¼ cup shredded carrot
¾ cup frozen green peas
¼ cup each finely chopped bell pepper and onion
½ cup canned or prepared package chicken gravy
2 tablespoons mayonnaise
¼ teaspoon each poultry seasoning and freshly



2 1/2c sugar
1/2t salt
5 large egg yolks
4 ripe bananas
3/4c caramel drizzle sauce (recipe follows)
2c heavy cream whipped with 1/2t vanilla and 2t sugar
shaved chocolate

1. Prepare the banana pie crust, and allow it to cool completely
2. Heat 2c of cream in a large saucepan over high heat. Stir in the paste scraped from inside the vanilla bean, and the butter, and bring to a simmer.
3. Meanwhile, in a small bowl, combine the remaining 1 c cream with the cornstarch and stir until thoroughly blended and smooth. When the mixture in the saucepan begins to boil, stream in the cream/cornstarch mixture, whisking constantly until all is thoroughly incorporated. Remove from the heat.
4. In a bowl combine the sugar and salt, and whisk this dry mixture vigorously into the saucepan until the cream is thick and the dry ingredients are thoroughly incorporated. Over low heat, whisk in the egg yolks one at a time. Remove from the heat and whisk the pastry cream until smooth and creamy.
5. Peel the bananas and cut them crosswise into 1/4in slices. Spread about 1/3 of the pastry cream in the piecrust and arrange 1/2 of the banana slices over the cream. Spread on another 1/3 of the pastry cream and arrange the remaining banana slices over that. Cover with remaining pastry cream and smooth out the top. Refrigerate for at least 2 hours or until firm.
6. About 20 minutes before serving, prepare the caramel drizzle sauce.
7. To serve, cut the pie into wedges and drizzle on the warm caramel drizzle. Top with the whipped cream and shaved chocolate.

Banana Piecrust

2c graham cracker crumbs
1/4c light brown sugar
1 stick of room temperature butter
1 very ripe banana, mashed

1. preheat the oven to 375°F
2. In a bowl cream the ingredients together with your hands. Press the mixture into a 9-inch pie pan, and bake until brown, for about 15 minutes. Remove from the oven and allow to cool completely before filling.

Caramel Drizzle Sauce

1c sugar

1/4c water
1c heavy cream

1. In a saucepan, combine the sugar and water, and bring it to a boil, stirring often. Cook, stirring occasionally, until the mixture is a deep nutty brown color and the consistency of thin syrup, for about 10 to 15 minutes. Turn off the heat.
2. Stir in the cream, turn the heat back on to high, and boil the sauce for about 2 minutes. Remove from the heat. Use immediately.

Blueberry Bread Pudding with White Chocolate Sauce By Alfonso Baca III

3 loaves of day old French bread
6 large eggs
1 lb. of blueberries
2 tbs. of vanilla extract
2 tbs. of cinnamon
1 cup of brown sugar
2 quarts of milk or heavy cream
1 bottle of white chocolate syrup

Cut up bread into small cubes. Mix all ingredients together (except white chocolate) and pour into a greased 13x9" pan. Bake at 325 degrees for 1 ½ hrs., until middle is completely done. When serving, top with drizzled white chocolate.

Cherry Pound Cake By Gloria McDonald

1 box French vanilla cake mix, dry
1 stick margarine, melted
2 eggs
1 can cherry pie filling
1 cup chopped pecans

In a large bowl mix by hand, all ingredients. Pour into a greased and floured bundt or tube pan. Bake at 350 degrees for one hour. You could sprinkle powdered sugar on top of cake.

Chocolate Chip Cookies By Samantha DeHart



¾ cup granulated sugar
¾ cup packed brown sugar
1 cup butter or margarine, softened
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 egg
2 1/4 cups Gold Medal™ all-purpose flour
1 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup coarsely chopped nuts (opt)
1 package (12 ounces) semisweet chocolate chips (2 cups)

1. Heat oven to 375°F.
2. Mix sugars, butter, vanilla and egg in large bowl. Stir in flour, baking soda and salt (dough will be stiff). Stir in nuts and chocolate chips.
3. Refrigerate dough for 20 mins
4. Drop dough by rounded tablespoonfuls about 2 inches apart onto ungreased cookie sheet.
5. Bake 8 to 10 minutes or until light brown (centers will be soft). Cool slightly; remove from cookie sheet. Cool on wire rack.

Cranapples By Mamie Lee Dodds

2 cups fresh cranberries
½ small lemon
¼ T cinnamon
¾ cup water
1 ½ cups brown sugar
12 baking apples
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Entrees

1t ground cumin
1/2t salt
3 turns freshly ground black pepper
1/4c coarsely chopped fresh cilantro

1. Drain and rinse the beans. Heat the oil in a large skillet over high heat. Add the onions, garlic, jalapenos, and beans and saute, stirring occasionally, for 2 minutes. Add the stock, lime juice, southwest seasoning, chili powder, and cumin. Bring to a boil, lower the heat, and simmer for 50-60 minutes, or until the beans are tender.

2. stir in the salt, pepper, and cilantro and simmer for about 5 minutes longer. Remove from the heat. Serve immediately or store, refrigerated, in an airtight container for up to 2 days. Reheat in a saucepan over low heat, stirring occasionally.

Guacamole

1 ripe avocado. peeled and pitted
2T peeled and finely chopped roma tomatoes
2t seeded and minced jalapeno peppers
2T chopped onions
1/2t minced garlic

Apple Dip

By Gloria McDonald

½ cup caramel ice cream topping
3 oz. cream cheese
Brown sugar to taste

Desserts

2T chopped fresh cilantro
1T freshly squeezed lime juice
1t freshly squeezed lemon juice
1/2t Worcestershire sauce
1/4t hot pepper sauce
1/2t salt
3 turns freshly ground black pepper
2T sour cream

1. In a bowl mash all of the ingredients together with a fork or potato masher until thoroughly blended and somewhat chunky. Cover tightly by laying a sheet of plastic wrap directly on the surface of the guacamole and gently squeezing out any air bubbles. Seal the wrap to the edges of the bowl and refrigerate until ready to use, up to 8 hours.

Fried Tortilla Strips

heat 2c vegetable oil in a large saucepan over medium-high heat until very hot. Fry 1/8 inch tortilla strips until crisp and golden, turning once, for about 1 minute. remove from oil, drain on paper towel and sprinkle with emerald's southwest seasoning

Stuffed Shells

By Ellen Austin

1 ½ pound ground beef
1 - 6 oz. package cream cheese, softened
½ small onion, chopped
½ cup grated parmesan

Blend until fluffy. Best if used with sliced Granny Smith apples, presoaked in diluted orange juice until use.

Apple Oatmeal Bars

By Mamie Lee Dodds

1 cup flour
½ T salt
½ T soda
½ cup brown sugar
1 cup oatmeal
½ cup shortening
3 medium sized apples, sliced
½ cup white sugar
2 T butter

Mix flour, salt, soda

Salt and pepper
2 eggs
½ pound package jumbo pasta shells
1 cup spaghetti sauce

Cook meat until browned; drain if needed, saving 2 tablespoons of fat. Place meat in bowl. Saute onions; add to meat. With hands mix in cream cheese, until well blended. Add grated parmesan cheese, salt and pepper and combine. Let mixture cool. Add eggs, the filling can be made up to 1 day in advance and refrigerated until ready to use. Pre-heat oven to 350 degrees. Cook shells, drain and cool to the touch. Stuff and place in baking pan. Cover with sauce and bake for 1 hour; cover with foil.

Suzan's Quiche

By Vernetta Hill

1 Deep Dish pie shell or 2 regular pie shells
8 slices, cooked, drained bacon (chopped)
½ cup spinach (chopped)
2 or 3 chopped mushrooms (about ½ cup)
Few chopped onions (1/4 cup)
6 eggs
1 ½ cup milk (I used half & half)
½ tsp. salt & 1 tsp. pepper
2 cups shredded swiss cheese
2 T flour

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Toss flour and cheese together, mix well. Combine eggs, milk, salt & pepper, mix well. Add cheese, bacon, onion, spinach & mushrooms to egg mixture. Mix well. Pour into pie shell or shells. Bake 40-45 minutes. Let stand 10 minutes before serving.

and brown sugar. Add 1 cup oatmeal. Cut in ½ cup shortening until crumbly. Spread half the mixture on greased baking dish (about 7"x4"). Arrange sliced apples over mixture in baking dish; dot with 2T butter and sprinkle ½ cup white sugar over apples. Cover with remainder of mixture and press firm. Bake at 350 degrees for 45-50 minutes.

Banana Cream Pie with Banana Crust and Caramel Drizzle

By Samantha Dehart

1 Banana piecrust (recipe follows)
3c heavy cream, in all
1 small vanilla bean, split and scraped
1T unsalted butter
3/4c cornstarch

Casseroles

ground pepper

Mix all ingredients in a large bowl. Pour into a large non-stick skillet. Press down with a broad spatula. Place over medium-high heat. Cook, stirring occasionally, 14 to 16 minutes until liquid evaporates and some crustiness forms on bottom. Turn in sections with the spatula; cook 2 minutes more or until a crustiness forms on bottom. Serve with a green salad for a great lunch. Serves 2 to 4 persons.

Ritzy Potato Casserole

By Suzanne Kirland

Preheat oven to 350 Degrees
Ingredients
24 oz Southern Style Frozen Hashbrowns
2 Cups Sour Cream
1 Can Cream of Chicken Soup
½ Cup Melted Butter
1 Teaspoon Salt
½ Teaspoon Onion Powder
2 Cups Sharp Shredded Cheese

Topping:
40 Ritz Crackers (or 2 sleeves, do not use reduced fat)

1 Stick Real Butter (Melt the butter, crush the crackers in a ziplock bag then add crushed crackers to melted butter)

Defrost frozen potatoes (very important to be completely defrosted) – put in colander and sit in sink ombine sour cream, soup and melted butter. Mix well. Add salt, onion powder and cheese to mixture. Add potatoes to the mixture and put in 9X13 pan. Add topping mixture on top. Bake uncovered at 350 degrees for 45-55 minutes.

Sausage Brunch Casserole

By Mamie Lee Dodds

1 lb. sausage
1 (12oz.) tall can evaporated milk
1 ½ slices of bread, cubed
5 eggs
2 cups cheddar cheese, grated
Season to taste

Prepare evening before. Cook sausage and drain thoroughly on paper towels. Beat eggs and milk slightly. Add sausage, cubed bread and cheddar cheese. Pour into 9"x9" casserole and cover with foil. Refrigerate overnight. Bake at 350 degrees uncovered 45 minutes or until firm.

Tater Tot Casserole

By Mamie Lee Dodds

2 lbs. ground beef
1 large onion, chopped
½ cup celery, chopped
1 10 ½ oz. can cream of chicken or celery soup
1 10 ½ oz. can cream of mushroom soup
Tater tots

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Brown ground beef and onions. Add celery and soups. Place in 3 quart buttered casserole and cover with as many tater tots as you can get on. Bake 30 minutes.

Turkey Cobbler Casserole

By Peggy Skiles

6 T. melted butter, divided
4 c. cubed sourdough rolls (or uncooked crescent rolls cut into 3 pieces per triangle)
1/3 c. grated Parmesan cheese
2 T. chopped fresh parsley
2 medium-size sweet onions, sliced and halved
1 (8 oz.) package sliced fresh mushrooms
1 c. white wine or buttermilk
1 (10 3/4 oz.) can cream of mushroom soup
1/2 c. drained and chopped jarred roasted red bell peppers
2 1/2 c. shredded cooked turkey or chicken
Toss 4 T. melted butter with next 3 ingredients; set aside

Saute' onions in remaining 2 T. butter in a large skillet over medium-high heat 15 min. or until golden brown. Add mushrooms, and saute' 5 min. Stir in wine and next 3 ingredients; cook, stirring constantly, 5 minutes or until bubbly. Spoon mixture into a lightly greased 9-inch square or 11 X 7 inch baking dish.; top evenly with bread mixture. Bake at 400 for 15 minutes or until bread is golden brown. Makes 4 servings.



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Baked Pesto Chicken

By Mary Leatham

1 lb boneless skinless chicken tenders
3.5 oz Basil Pesto
3 Roma tomatoes, sliced
8 oz Fresh mozzarella cheese, sliced
Dash of Parmesan cheese, shredded
Dash of Italian seasoning

Preheat oven to 400 degrees

1 Lightly coat baking dish with Pam

2 Place chicken in dish

3 Spread basil pesto on top of chicken

4 Place tomato slices on top

5 Salt & pepper

6 Place sliced mozzarella on top

7 And sprinkle with Italian seasoning & Parmesan

Bake 40 minutes.

Slow Cooker Chicken and Dumplings

By Samantha Dehart

2 can (10 3/4 oz) condensed cream of chicken soup
1 can (10 3/4 oz) condensed cream of celery soup
3 1/2 cups Progresso™ chicken broth (from 32-oz carton) SAVE \$
1 medium onion, finely chopped (1/2 cup)
4 boneless skinless chicken breasts (1 1/4 lb) SAVE \$
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
2 tablespoons butter or margarine, cut into pieces
1 cup frozen peas and carrots, thawed
1 can (16.3 oz) large refrigerated homestyle buttermilk biscuits
1 tablespoon dried Oregano
1 tablespoon dried parsley

1. Spray 5- to 6-quart slow cooker with cooking spray. In slow cooker, mix both soups, broth and onion. Arrange chicken in slow cooker. Sprinkle with salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Dot with butter.
2. Cover; cook on Low heat setting 6 hours. Uncover; shred chicken, using 2 forks. Stir in peas, carrots, oregano and parsley. Increase heat setting to High. Cover; cook while preparing dumplings.
3. On work surface, roll biscuits to flatten to 1/4-inch thickness. Cut each biscuit into 4 strips. Place strips in stew, pressing gently with back of spoon to submerge in liquid. Cover; cook on High

heat setting 1 hour or until dumplings are thoroughly cooked.

Chicken Noodle Soup

By Judy West

1 medium package egg noodles
2 boxes low sodium chicken broth.
2 – 10 oz. cans chicken
1 can cream of chicken soup
1 soup can milk

Bring chicken broth to a boil and cook noodles.

Add chicken. Mix soup and milk and add to

noodle mixture. Salt and pepper to taste.

If I have a large group to feed, I just double everything.

Corn Chip Chicken

By Mamie Lee Dodds

6 oz. corn chips, crushed
1 T salt
1 T rosemary
¼ T pepper
½ cup milk
8 pieces chicken

On waxed paper, mix corn chips, salt, rosemary and pepper. Pour milk into pie plate. Dip chicken in milk then in corn chips. Arrange chicken in pan; bake at 400 degrees for 50 minutes. 4-6 servings

Cuban Pork Roast

By Alfonso Baca III

10-12 lb. pork butt
3 limes
3 oranges
3 lemons
6 cloves of garlic

Cut all your fruit into quarters and then take all of it and the garlic and blend well in blender. Blend to a smooth paste. Rub pork butt down with cooking oil, salt and pepper to taste, then completely cover both sides of the pork butt with your fruit and garlic mixture. Put in oven at 325 degrees for 1 ½ hours then turn oven down to 225 degrees for another 4-6 hours until internal temperature reaches 200 degrees. Let sit for 30



minutes then pull pork with forks and serve.

Enchilada Squares

By Arthur Dodds

1 pound ground beef
1 cup chopped onion
4 oz. can chopped green chiles, drained
4 eggs
8 oz. can tomato sauce
5 ½ oz. can (2/3 cup) evaporated milk
1 ½ oz. envelope enchilada sauce mix and 1 T chili powder
1 cup shredded cheddar cheese
½ cup sliced black olives

Brown beef and onion; drain. Spread meat mixture in lightly buttered 10x6x3 inch baking dish. Sprinkle diced green chiles over meat mixture. Beat eggs; add tomato sauce, evaporated milk and enchilada mix. Pour over meat and chiles. Sprinkle black olives over top. Bake in 350 degree oven for 20-25 minutes. Cut into squares.

Frank Stuffed Tomatoes

By Mamie Lee Dodds

6-8 large tomatoes
Tomato pulp
6 frankfurters, sliced 1/2” thick
2 T butter
½ T pepper
½ cup cooked or frozen corn or canned whole kernel corn
1 cup fresh bread crumbs
½ cup minced scallions or onions

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cut 1/4” to ½” slice from stem end of each tomato; with teaspoon, scrape out pulp, forming cup; sprinkle inside of tomatoes well with salt; reserve pulp. In skillet, saute franks in butter until lightly browned. Add tomato pulp, 1 T salt, pepper, corn, crumbs and scallions. Use to stuff tomatoes. Place in 12” x



8 ½” buttered baking dish and bake 30-40 minutes.
6-7 servings

Mexican Lunch By Loma Jean Wynn

1 lb. bulk pork sausage
1 cup diced onion
1 cup diced green pepper
2 cans diced tomatoes
1 ¾ cup buttermilk
2 cups uncooked macaroni, shell or elbow
1 T sugar
1 T chili powder
1 T salt
1-2 cups grated sharp cheddar cheese

Brown sausage, onions & green pepper in large skillet. Add tomatoes, buttermilk, macaroni and seasonings. Stir and cover. Use high heat until steaming. Turn to low and simmer for 25 minutes. Serve with cheese on top. Serves 6

Orange Crab Gumbo By Mamie Lee Dodds

½ cup finely chopped salt pork (2 ounces)
1 ½ cups chopped onion
1 garlic clove, crushed
1 package (10 oz.) frozen cut okra, thawed
1 ½ lbs. (4 or 5 medium) tomatoes, peeled & cut in wedges
1 cup orange juice
2 cups water
1 bay leaf
2 T chopped fresh parsley
½ T thyme
¼ T hot pepper sauce
1 ½ T salt
1 chicken bouillon cube
2 pkgs. (6 of each) frozen crab, thawed or 1 lb. cooked shrimp or lobster

3 cups hot cooked rice

In large skillet, cook salt pork over low heat until it is brown and fat has melted off. Add onion, garlic and okra. Simmer until tender. Add remaining ingredients except rice. Bring to a boil, then simmer for 45 minutes. Add crab and heat. Serve in soup plates

over rice.

Peanut Butter Soup By A.D. Dodds, III

¼ cup finely chopped red onion
½ cup finely chopped celery
2 T butter or margarine
1 T flour
2 cups milk
¼ cup chicken broth (dissolve 1 chicken bouillon cube in ¾ cup hot boiling water).
½ cup smooth peanut butter
½ T salt

Cook onion and celery in hot butter in a saucepan about 5 minutes, stirring occasionally. Blend in flour and heat until mixture bubbles, stirring constantly. Add milk and broth gradually, stirring constantly. Bring rapidly to boiling. Cook 1-2 minutes. Gradually stir in white sauce into peanut butter until mixture is smooth. Return to saucepan; stir in salt and beat thoroughly. Serve garnished with crisp crumbled fried bacon.

Albuquerque Roast Chicken with Black Bean Chili, Guacamole, and Fried Tortilla Strips By Samantha Dehart

2 whole chickens (about 3 pounds each), cleaned and rinsed thoroughly
2T olive oil
12 Peeeled whole cloves of garlic
1/2c chopped onions, in all
1/4c chopped celery, in all
1/4c peeled chopped carrots, in all
2t emeril's southwest seasoning, in all (recipe follows)
2c black bean chili (recipe follows)
1c gaucamole (recipe follows)
4 handfuls fried tortilla strips (recipe follows)

*1. Preheat the oven to 400**
2. With your hands, rub the chickens inside and out with the oil, using 1T per chicken. Insert the garlic cloves-3 per breast, 6 per chicken-between the breast meat and skin.
3. Sprinkle each chicken inside and out with 1/4c onions, 2T of celery, and 2T of carrots. Sprinkle each chicken inside and out with 1t southwest seasoning; use your hands to coat the chicken thoroughly.
4. Prepare the Black bean chili so it will simmer on the stove while the chicken is roasting. If it's finished first, keep warm.
5. Place the chickens, breast side up, on a rack in a baking pan and roast until crisp but tender, fora bout 1 hour 10 minutes. Remove from the oven, slice the breast meat from the bones, and remove the thigh and drumstick intact.
6. While the chicken is roasting, and about 20 minutes before it's done, prepare the guacamole, cover it tightly, and set aside.
7. As soon as you remove the chicken from the oven, prepare the Fried tortilla strips.
8. To serve, spread 1/2 cup of black bean chili on each of 4 dinner plates and arrange 1 chicken breast and 1 thigh/drumstick on top of the sauce. mound 1/4 cup of the guacamole on the plate, and top the chicken with a handful of fried tortilla strips.

Emeril's Southwest Seasoning

2T chili powder
2T paprika
1T ground coriander
1T garlic powder
1Tsalt
2t ground cumin
1t cayenne pepper
1t crushed red pepper
1t black pepper
1t dried leaf oregano

Combine all ingredients

Black Bean Chili

makes 2 cups
1c dried black beans, soaked overnight in hot water to cover
1T olive oil
1/3c chopped onions
1T minced garlic
1T seeded and chopped jalapeno peppers
6c chicken stock
1T freshly squeezed lime juice
1t emeril's southwest seasoning
1t chili powder

Silent Night

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p *pp* *mf* *p*

Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! All is calm, all is bright.
Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Shep-herds quake at the sight!
Si - lent night! Ho - ly night! Son of God, love's pure light!

F *C* *F* *crisc.* *C*

Round yon Vir - gin Moth-er and Child! Ho - ly In - fant so ten - der and mild,
Glo - ries stream from heav-en a - far. Heav'n-ly hosts sing, "Al - le - lu - ia!"
Ra - diant beams from Thy ho - ly face With the dawn of re - deem - ing grace,

G7 *C* *p* *G7* *C*

Sleep in heav-en - ly peace! Sleep in heav-en - ly peace!
Christ, the Sav - ior, is born! Christ, the Sav - ior is born!
Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth! Je - sus, Lord, at Thy birth!

Joy To The World

D *D* *A* *D* *G*

Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth re -
Joy to the world! the Sav - ior reigns; Let men their
He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the

A *D*

ceive her King; Let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare Him
songs em - ploy; While fields and floods, rocks, hills and
na - tions prove The glo - ries of His right - eous -

D *A*

room, And heav'n and na - ture sing, And heav'n and na - ture
plains, Re - peat the sound - ing joy, Re - peat the sound - ing
ness, And won - ders of His love, And won - ders of His

D *G* *D* *A* *D*

sing, And heav'n, and heav'n and na - ture sing.
joy; Re - peat, re - peat the sound - ing joy.
love. And won - ders, and won - ders of His love.

A Babe Is Born In Bethlehem

C *F* *G* *C* *E* *C*

A Babe is born in Beth - le - hem, In Beth - le - hem; There -
He doth with - in a man - ger lie, A man - ger lie; Whose
The wise men came, led by the star, Led by the star; Gold,
On this most bless - ed Ju - bi - lee, Blest Ju - bi - lee; All

G *E* *F* *G* *C* *G* *C*

fore re - joice, Je - ru - sa - lem. Al - le - lu - jah, al - le - lu - jah.
throne is set a - bove the sky. Al - le - lu - jah, al - le - lu - jah.
myrrh and in - cense, brought from far. Al - le - lu - jah, al - le - lu - jah.
glo - ry be, O God, to Thee. Al - le - lu - jah, al - le - lu - jah.

Moderately

Here comes San - ta Claus, Here come San - ta Claus Right down San - ta Claus Lane.

C7 *F*

Vix - en and Blitz - en and all his rein - deer are pull - ing on the rein.
He's got a bag that is filled with toys for the boys and girls a - gain.
He doesn't care if you're rich or poor for he loves you just the same.
He'll come a - round when the chimes ring out; then it's Christ - mas morn a - gain.

Bbm *Am* *Gm* *C7* *F*

Bells are ring - ing, chil - dren sing - ing; All is mer - ry and bright.
Here those sleigh bells jin - gle jan - gle, What a beau - ti - ful sight.
San - ta knows that we're God's chil - dren; That makes ev - 'ry - thing right.
Peace on earth will come to all If we just fol - low the light.

G6 *F#m7* *D7* *Gmin7* *C7* *F*

Hang your stock - ings and say your pray'rs, 'Cause San - ta Claus comes to - night.
Jump in bed, cov - er up your head, 'Cause San - ta Claus comes to - night.
Fill your ears with a Christ - mas cheer, 'Cause San - ta Claus comes to - night.
Let's give thanks to the Lord a - bove, 'Cause San - ta Claus comes to - night.

Jingle Bells

Brightly *G* *mf* *C*

Dash - ing thro' the snow In a one horse o - pen sleigh, And
Day or two a - go I thought I'd take a ride, And
Now the ground is white, Go it while you're young;

D *G*

O're the fields we go, Laugh - ing all the way; The
soon Miss Fan - nie Bright Was seat - ed by my side; Just
Take the girls to - night, And sing this sleigh - ing song;

C

Bells on bob - tail ring, Mak - ing spir - its bright; What
horse was lean and lank, Mis - for - tune seem'd his lot, He
get a bob - tailed nag, Two for - ty for his speed, Then

D7 *G*

fun it is to ride and sing A sleigh - ing song to - night!
got in - to a drift - ed bank, and we, we got up - sot.
hitch him to an o - pen sleigh, And crack! you'll take the lead.

G *C* *G* *C*

Jin - gle Bells! Jin - gle Bells! Jin - gle all the way! Oh, what fun it is to ride

Fine

In a one - horse o - pen sleigh! In a one - horse o - pen sleigh!

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Joyfully

G D G D G C D G

Hark! the her-ald an-gelssing, "Glo-ry to the new-born King!
Christ, by high-est heav'n a-dored; Christ, the ev-er last-ing Lord;
Hail! the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail! the Son of right-eous-ness!

D G A D A D

Peace on earth, and mer-cy mild, God and sin-ners rec-on-ciled."
Late in time be-hold Him come, Off-spring of the fa-vored one.
Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with heal-ing in His wings.

G C G D G C G D

Joy-ful, all ye na-tions, rise, Join the tri-umph of the skies;
Veiled in flesh, the God-head see; Hail th'in-car-nate De-i-ty
Mild He lays His glo-ry by, Born that man no more may die;

C E7 Am D G D G

With th'an-gel-ic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Beth-le-hem."
Please, as man with men to dwell, Je-sus our Im-man-u-el!
Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them sec-ond birth.

C E7 Am D G D G

Hark! the her-ald an-gels sing, "Glo-ry to the new-born King!"

O Little Town Of Bethlehem

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Quietly - not too slowly

F Gm F C7 F

O lit-tle town of Beth-le-hem, How still we see thee lie; A-
For Christ is born of Mar-y; And gath-ered all a-bove, While
How si-lent-ly, how si-lent-ly, The won-drous gift is giv'n! So
O ho-ly Child of Beth-le-hem, De-scend to us, we pray; Cast

D7 Gm F C7 F

bove thy deep and dream-less sleep The si-lent stars go by: Yet
mor-tals sleep, the an-gels keep Their watch of won-d'ring love. O
God im-parts to hu-man hearts The bless-ings of His heav'n. No
out our sin, and en-ter in, Be born in us to-day. We

Gm A Dm A

in thy dark streets shin-eth The ev-er-last-ing Light; The
morn-ing stars, to-gether Pro-claim the ho-ly birth; And
ear may hear His com-ing, But in this world of sin, Where
hear the Christ-mas an-gels The great glad ti-dings tell; O

F Gm F C7 F

hopes and fears of all the years Are met in thee to-night.
prais-es sing to God, the King, And peace to men on earth.
meek souls will re-ceive Him, still, The dear Christ en-ters in.
come to us, a-bide with us, Our Lord Em-man-u-el.

O Christmas Tree

English version by Ruth Heller

German

Happily G D G C D

O Christ-mas tree, O Christ-mas tree, O tree of green, un-
O Christ-mas tree, O Christ-mas tree, You set my heart a-
O Christ-mas tree, O Christ-mas tree, You come from God, e-
O Christ-mas tree, O Christ-mas tree, You speak of God, un-

G G D

chang-ing. Your boughs, so green in sum-mer time, Do
sing-ing. Like lit-tle stars, your can-dles bright Send
ter-nal. A sym-bol of the Lord of Love Whom
chang-ing. You tell us all to faith-ful be, And

G D

brave the snow of win-ter-time. O Christ-mas tree, O
to the world a won-drous light. O Christ-mas tree, O
God to man sent from a-bove. O Christ-mas tree, O
trust in God e-ter-nal-ly. O Christ-mas tree, O

G C D G

Christ-mas tree, O tree of green, un-chang-ing.
Christ-mas tree, You set my heart a-sing-ing.
Christ-mas tree, You come from God, e-ter-nal.
Christ-mas tree, You speak of God, un-chang-ing.

Deck The Hall

mf F C F C F

Deck the hall with boughs of hol-ly, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
See the blaz-ing Yule be-fore us, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Fast a-way the old year pass-es, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

C F C F

'Tis the sea-son to be jol-ly, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Strike the harp and join the cho-rus, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Hail the new, ye lads and lass-es, Fa la la la la, la la la la.

C F D C F

Don we now our gay ap-par-rel, Fa la la, la la la, la la la,
Fol-low me in mer-ry meas-ure, Fa la la, la la la, la la la,
Sing we joy-ous all to-geth-er, Fa la la, la la la, la la la,

F Bb F C F

Troll the an-cient Yule-tide car-ol, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
While I tell of Yule-tide treas-ure, Fa la la la la, la la la la.
Heed-less of the wind and weath-er, Fa la la, la la, la la la.

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