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## Coffee and canvas event coming to Heritage Museum

By ERIN STEPHENS  
 Staff Writer

Local artist Terri Chaney is sharing her talents with the public for an upcoming painting event that will be held at Heritage Museum of Big Spring on Dec. 7 from 6:30 to 8:30.

"All materials needed for the event will be provided and the painting for this event is a whimsical Christmas tree," said Chaney. "We'll be serving coffee, cake, and hot chocolate so attendees can enjoy refreshments while they paint."

Chaney is a full-time mixed media artist based in Big Spring. She went back to college in 2001 for the purpose of studying art and became interested in mixed media sometime in 2006. Her art can be found through an Etsy shop titled Wind-blownarts.

"I sell most of my art online and if you visit my website, terrichaney.com, it will link you to my shop," she said.

Chaney has been very involved with the museum in the past. This is the 4th canvas party that she's coordinated with the museum, but one of many canvas parties she's hosted in town. Heritage Museum decided to continue holding canvas parties after much success with previous events similar to this one.

"For anyone needing more information, they can call the museum at 432-267-8255 and ask for Cheryl," said Chaney.

The fee for this event is \$40 and that will cover everything from art materials to food and drinks provided to attendees. Director and curator for Heritage Museum, Tammy Schrecengost, worked with Chaney to organize this event.

Contact Staff Writer Erin Stephens at 432-263-7331 ext. 232.

## Thankful for the holidays



## Coahoma Elementary School hosts Thanksgiving lunch

*Courtesy photos*  
 Parents, grandparents, and siblings piled into the Coahoma ISD cafeteria for the annual Thanksgiving Lunch held Friday, Nov. 17. Pictured at top are Madisyn Renteria, 10, her mom Olivia, and sister Samantha, 1 1/2, as they stop their meal to take a group photo. At right, three-year-old Grayson Ruibo is all smiles as he poses for a picture with mom, Stefanie Rubio, and big sister Kaelyn Headrick, 8.



## Prince Harry, actress Meghan Markle to wed next year

By GREGORY KATZ  
 Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — Prince Harry, fifth in line to the British throne, will marry American actress Meghan Markle in the spring, palace officials announced Monday, confirming months of speculation.

Markle, a humanitarian campaigner and lifestyle blogger who succeeded in show business before falling for Harry, will become a senior member of the royal family as the wife of one of the monarchy's most popular figures.

Harry, a bad-boy-made-good by his tireless devo-

tion to wounded veterans and his embrace of a variety of charitable causes, has said for several years that he wants to start a family, and the rumors of



Prince Harry

Markle

his engagement to Markle have been flying for some time.

The marriage represents a first-ever blending of Hollywood glamor with the once-stuffy royal family, which has of late seemed less fixed in its ways, and brings a mixed-race American divorcee into a highly vis-

ible role.

The couple made a brief appearance before photographers on the grounds of Kensington Palace hours after their engagement was announced.

Harry, wearing a blue suit and tie, said he was "thrilled" and that details about his proposal would come out later. He was then asked if the proposal was romantic, and he replied: "Of course!"

Markle, who said she was "so happy," was wearing an engagement ring for the first time in public. She held Harry's hand and rubbed his arm.

They left with their arms around each other. The couple plan to give their first interview later in the day.

Harry's brother, Prince William, and his pregnant wife Kate welcomed Markle to the royal fam-

ily.

"We are very excited for Harry and Meghan," they said in a statement. "It has been wonderful getting to know Meghan and to see how happy she and Harry are together."

Harry's father, Prince Charles, told reporters he was "thrilled" with the engagement.

"They'll be very happy indeed," he said.

The engagement announcement says the couple became engaged in London earlier this month and that Harry has informed his grandmother, Queen Elizabeth II. It says he sought and received the permission of Markle's parents.

The couple plan to live in Nottingham Cottage at Nottingham Palace.

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## Lake Colorado City State Park to hold holiday events

Special to the Herald

Lake Colorado City State Park will be hosting an event, "Christmas in the Park and All Around the Campfire" on Sunday Dec. 10. Crafts and games will be from 2 to 4 p.m. and All

Around the Campfire will be 4 to 6 p.m.

"Tinker like an elf to make a crafts for families and friends and play reindeer games to master your holiday skills and knowledge from 2 to 4 p.m.," read a press release from

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## Big Spring Herald's Christmas Countdown



Angela says "Only 28 Days 'til Christmas!"

(Angela Lance, Sr. Advertising Executive)

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## Obituaries

### Miguel Bencomo



Miguel Bencomo, 23, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2017. Vigil service will begin at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 29, 2017. A Memorial Service will begin at 2 p.m. on Thursday in Myers & Smith Chapel with Msgr. Bernard Gully officiating.

Miguel was born on Jan. 22, 1994, in Big Spring Texas. Miguel lived in Big Spring all of his life and was a Catholic. He previously worked as a lifeguard at the YMCA and loved skateboarding.

Miguel is survived by his mother, Elsa Hernandez of Big Spring; father, Rigoberto Bencomo of Mexico; two brothers, Francisco Ornelas of Big

Spring and Rigo Bencomo of Phoenix, Arizona; four sisters, Jenifer Sarmiento (Tony) and Esthela Villareal (Gene) both of Big Spring, Veronica Bencomo and Vanessa Bencomo both of Phoenix, Arizona; three nieces, Mariah Anelys Sarmiento, Ashley Renae Sarmiento, and Jenna Rose Villareal; two nephews, Anthony Jacob Sarmiento and Mason James Ornelas.

Miguel was preceded in death by his grandparents John B. Hernandez and Miguel & Felicitas Bencomo.

Honorary pallbearers are Thomas Randall, John Gonzales, Richard Vasquez, Benjamin Aguero, Ransom Rawls, Brandon Caruth and Michael Ryan.

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

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### LaVerna Uptergrove



LaVerna Uptergrove, 90, of Big Spring, died Nov. 23, 2017. Private family services are scheduled for a later date.

LaVerna was born June, 5, 1927, in Westville, Oklahoma, to William Young and Wynona Stanley Young. She married Hubert Uptergrove on July 10, 1965 in Stillwater, Oklahoma. He preceded her in death on Jan. 2, 2014.

LaVerna is survived by two daughters, Joyce Gaston and her husband John and Jolene Hale, all of Big Spring; one son, Larry Hale and his wife Bobbie of Hawley, Texas; four stepchildren, Jim Uptergrove and his wife Effie, Sharon Brooks and her husband Rex, Mike Uptergrove and his wife Ann and Linda West.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by one step-daughter, Norma Titus and 12 brothers and sisters.

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

## Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 72 inmates at the time of this report.

• **RODOLFO BRITO JR.**, 21, was arrested by BSPD on warrants on improper driver license for type, and failure to appear.

• **DEVIN ALLEN**, 24, was arrested by BSPD on warrants on expired registration, and failure to report change of address.

• **SABRINA ANN BURLESON**, 49, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant on theft on property less than or equal to in between the amounts \$20 and \$500 by check.

• **CHELSEA LYNN CAMACHO**, 26, was arrested by DPS on a charge on driving with license invalid with previous convictions.

• **DAVID CANALES JR.**, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant on bail jumping and failure to appear.

• **JASON SCOTT DALTON**, 34, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant on bail jumping and failure to appear.

• **MITCHELL ALAN DUSH**, 39, was arrested by BSPD on charges on expired registration, and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

• **CHASITY ANGELIC EDMONDSON**, 25, was arrested by BSPD on a charge on driving while intoxicated, BAC less than or equal too 0.1.

• **JOHN CLIFTON ELLIOTT**,

79, was arrested by HCSO on a charge of assault causes bodily injury family.

• **GABRIELLE FIERRO**, 25, was arrested by BSPD on warrants of theft of service less than or equal too \$750 to \$2,500, and theft of service less than or equal too \$100 to \$750.

• **CHARLES IVAN HEDDEN JR.**, 28, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant on disregard stop sign.

• **MARIA VICTORIA HERNANDEZ**, 37, was arrested by BSPD of warrants on parent contributing to non-attend, and failure to appear.

• **VICTORIA ANN HERNANDEZ**, 18, was arrested by BSPD on a charge on possession of marijuana less than or equal too two ounces, and warrants on failure to control speed, and no driver's license when unlicensed.

• **CHRISTOPHER ISAIHA HINJOS**, 18, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of parole violation.

• **ESMERALDA A. LEWIS**, 20, was arrested by BSPD on warrant on bail jumping and failure to appear, two counts on wrong, altered, obscured insignia, and no driver's license.

• **LUC JACOBY LEWIS**, 42, was arrested by BSPD on warrant of bail jumping and failure to appear, and fraud-illegal use or credit card, and a charge on failure to identify fugitive intent give.

• **DEVANTE BERNARD LLYOD**, 24, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant of criminal mischief less than or equal to \$50

to \$500.

• **RICHARD D. LOFTIN**, 41, was arrested by BSPD on a charge on parole violation.

• **MICHAEL LEE LOPEZ**, 30, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant on expired driver's license, and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

• **DONALD RAY MARSH**, 27, was arrested by BSPD on charges on assault to family violence, and public intoxication.

• **RICHARD HILARIO MARTINEZ JR.**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on charges on driving while intoxicated, and evading arrest detention.

• **DANNY DAVID MORALES**, 26, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

• **RICHARD LEE OLIVAS**, 39, was arrested by BSPD on warrants on two counts no driver's license, and expired registration.

• **STACY LYNN PENDLETON**, 42, was arrested by BSPD on warrant on an improper turn.

• **ISAAC STEPHEN RODRIQUEZ**, 33, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant of fireworks violation.

• **FRANCISCO ELOY SALINAS**, 58, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of consume alcoholic beverage.

• **JOHNNY RAY VIERA JR.**, 32, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant of indecency with child sexual contact.

• **LORENZO FERRERA YANEZ**, 43, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of public intoxication.

## 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 reward-

ing.

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.

• 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.

### Juan Rodriguez, Jr.



Juan Rodriguez, Jr., 74, of Big Spring, died Thursday, Nov. 23, 2017, in a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m., Tuesday, Nov. 28, 2017, at the Holy Trinity Catholic Parish. Interment with military honors will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

A rosary service will be held at 7 p.m., Monday, Nov. 27, 2017, at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel.

Juan was born May 29, 1943, in Howard County. He served in the United States Army during the Viet Nam War. After being discharged he graduated from Mary Meek Nursing School in Abilene as a Registered Nurse and he received his BSN from Angelo State University in San Angelo. Juan worked as a Registered Nurse at the Veterans Administration Medical Center, retiring after 31 years of service.

He was very fond of Angelo State University and the Angelo State Rams. Juan was the youngest and bravest of the Rodriguez family and was a leader wherever he went.

Survivors include two sisters and one brother, Ramona Rodriguez and Ricardo Rodriguez both of Big Spring and Mariana Castillo of Rochdale, Massachusetts; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Juan Rodriguez, Sr. and Maria Rivas Rodriguez; two sisters, Concepcion Ayala and Merced Valdez; and two brothers, Pedro "Pete" Rodriguez and Raymond Rodriguez.

The family suggests memorials to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital at [www.stjude.org/donate](http://www.stjude.org/donate)

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at [www.npwelch.com](http://www.npwelch.com).

*Paid obituary*

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **ESMERALDA LEWIS**, 42, of 1100 Pickens St., was arrested on the charges on failure to identify, and two counts of warrants with other agencies.

• **DONALD RAY MARSH**, 27, of 1458 FM 1808, was arrested on the charges on assault family violence, and public intoxication.

• **DANNY DAVID MORALES JR.**, 26, of 809 S Runnels St., was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **STACY LYNN PENDLETON**, 42, of 1011 Cedar Dr., was arrested on a warrant on improper turn.

• **CHRISTOPHER ISAIHA HINOJOS**, 18, of 1501 Stadium, was arrested on a warrant of another agency.

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported on the 1700 block of E 3rd St.

• **CRIMINAL MISCHIEF** was reported on the 1400 block of Oriole St.

## Support Groups

### 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.

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Markle, who lived in Toronto while filming TV series "Suits" since 2011, is also reported to have started the sometimes time-consuming process of moving her dogs from Canada to Britain. She reportedly recently left the television show, a development that helped fueled engagement speculation.

Congratulations also came in from the queen and her husband, Prince Philip, and from Prime Minister Theresa May. Markle's parents also welcomed the news.

Thomas Markle and Doria Ragland said their daughter Meghan "has always been a kind and loving person. To

see her union with Harry, who shares the same qualities, is a source of great joy for us as parents."

Markle was raised in the Los Angeles area. Her father is a Hollywood lighting director, her mother a yoga instructor and psychotherapist.

In some ways, Markle — a mixed-race American raised in California, an outspoken full-time actress, and a divorcee — makes a surprising addition to Britain's monarchy.

But the institution has moved on with the times, and the romance between Markle and Harry — who has repeatedly stressed his wish to lead as "normal" a life as he could — has a decidedly unstuffy, modern feel to it.

The announcement means

another grand royal wedding may be in the offing — the first since William and Kate married in 2011 — though it is possible the couple may choose to have a private ceremony, perhaps in a remote location far from the paparazzi who bedeviled Harry's mother, Princess Diana.

Markle, best known for her role as an ambitious paralegal in the hit U.S. legal drama "Suits," surprised many when she shared her feelings for Harry in a September cover story for Vanity Fair.

Asked about the media frenzy surrounding their courtship, the 36-year-old said: "At the end of the day I think it's really simple ... we're two people who are really happy and in love."

Harry, once known for his

dancy antics, including being photographed playing strip billiards in Las Vegas, has largely charmed the British public with his winning smile, his military career and his devotion to charities aimed at helping disabled veterans and other causes.

The 33-year-old prince recently won praise with his work campaigning for more openness about mental health issues. Speaking candidly about his personal struggle to cope with the loss of his mother when he was only 12, he encouraged others to talk about their own problems rather than keeping them bottled up inside.

Markle's Vanity Fair interview broke new ground. It is unusual for a royal love interest to speak so publicly, and

candidly, before becoming engaged.

Harry's past reported girlfriends all shied away from the media limelight, and his sister-in-law, formerly known as Kate Middleton, stayed silent until she and Prince William gave a formal televised interview at Buckingham Palace after their engagement became public.

It won't be the first time that a British royal has married an American, or a divorcee. In 1936, Edward VIII famously abdicated after he was forced to choose between the monarchy and his relationship with twice-divorced American socialite Wallis Simpson.

Dictionary.com chooses 'complicit' as its word of the year



This undated screen shot provided by Dictionary.com shows the word "complicit," on the Dictionary.com website. Russian election influence, the ever-widening sexual harassment scandal, mass shootings and the opioid epidemic helped elevate the word "complicit" as Dictionary.com's word of the year. One of the site's lexicographers, Jane Solomon, said ahead of Monday's announcement that lookups of the word increased nearly 300 percent over last year. She said "complicit" hit just about every hot button of the year, from politics to natural disasters.

By LEANNE TALIE

Associated Press  
NEW YORK (AP) — Russian election influence, the ever-widening sexual harassment scandal, mass shootings and the opioid epidemic helped elevate the word "complicit" as Dictionary.com's word of the year for 2017.

Look-ups of the word increased nearly 300 percent over last year as "complicit" hit just about every hot button from politics to natural disasters, lexicographer Jane Solomon told The Associated Press ahead of Monday's formal announcement of the site's pick.

"This year a conversation that keeps on surfacing is what exactly it means to be complicit,"

she said. "Complicit has sprung up in conversations about those who speak out against powerful figures in institutions, and those who stay silent."

The first of three major spikes for the word struck March 12. That was the day after "Saturday Night Live" aired a sketch starring Scarlett Johansson as Ivanka Trump in a glittery gold dress peddling a fragrance called "Complicit" because: "She's beautiful, she's powerful, she's complicit."

The bump was followed by another April 5, also related to Ivanka, Solomon said. It was the day after she appeared on "CBS This Morning" and told Gayle King, among other things: "I don't know what it

means to be complicit."

It was unclear at the time whether Ivanka was deflecting or whether the summa cum laude graduate of the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business — with a degree in economics — didn't really know. Another major spike occurred Oct. 24, the day Arizona Republican Jeff Flake announced from the Senate floor that he would not seek re-election, harshly criticizing President Donald Trump and urging other members of the party not to stand silently with the president.

"I have children and grandchildren to answer to, and so, Mr. President, I will not be complicit," Flake said.

Solomon noted that

neither she nor Dictionary.com can know what sends people to dictionaries or dictionary sites to look up "complicit" or any other word. She and other lexicographers who study look-up behavior believe it's likely a combination of people who may not know a definition, are digging deeper or are seeking inspiration or emotional reinforcement of some sort. As for "complicit," she said several other major events contributed to interest in the word. They include the rise of the opioid epidemic and how it came to pass, along with the spread of sexual harassment and assault allegations against an ever-growing list of powerful men, including film mogul Harvey Weinstein.

The scandal that started in Hollywood and quickly spread across industries has led to a mountain of questions over who knew what, who might have contributed and what it means to stay silent.

While Solomon shared percentage increases for "complicit," the company would not disclose the number of look-ups, calling that data proprietary. The site chooses its word of the year by heading straight for data first, scouring look-ups by day, month and year to date and how they correspond to noteworthy events, Solomon said. This year, a lot of high-volume trends unsurprisingly corresponded to politics. But the site also looks at lower-volume trends to see what other words resonated. Among them:

— INTERSEX: It trended on Dictionary.com in January thanks to model Hanne Gaby Odiele speaking up about being intersex to break taboos. As a noun it means "an individual having reproductive organs or external sexual characteristics of both male and female." Dictionary.com traces its origins back to 1915, as the back formation of "intersexual."

— SHRINKAGE: While the word has been around since 1790, a specific definition tied to a famous 1994 episode of "Seinfeld" led to a word look-up revival in February. That's when a house in The Hamptons where the episode was filmed went on the market. For the record: The Jason Alexander character George Costanza emerges with "shrink-

age" from a pool and said "shrinkage" is noted by Jerry's girlfriend.

— TARNATION: It had a good ride on Dictionary.com in the first few months of the year due to a round of social media fun with the "What in tarnation" meme that had animals and various objects wearing cowboy hats.

— HOROLOGIST: As in master clockmaker, like the one featured in the podcast "S-Town," the highly anticipated "This American Life" follow-up to the popular "Serial" podcast. All seven episodes of murder intrigue were released at once in March. Horologist, used in the radio story, trended around that time.

— TOTALITY: There were look-up spikes in August. Thank you, solar eclipse and your narrow band of totality, meaning the strip of land where the sun was completely obscured by the moon.

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Jimmy De Los Santos, 76, died Wednesday. Funeral service will be at 3 p.m. Monday at the First Baptist Church of Ackerly with burial at Ackerly Cemetery.

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Kelly Jean Long, 66, died Wednesday. Services are pending at Myers & Smith Chapel.

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Lake Colorado City State Park. "Then from 4 to 6 p.m. join in on more

holiday cheer with caroling and storytelling around the campfire."

The park encourages camp-goers to bring their friends and family to enjoy their Christmas

events.

There is no cost for the program, however you will need to pay daily entrance fees of \$4 per adult and children 12 and under are free. If

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## DAILY PRAYER

Dear Lord,  
The best helpmate we could  
ever have, Lord, is You. Amen

# The abrupt shaming of Charlie Rose

The privileged and prestigious professional life of Charlie Rose came to a shocking end this week.

In the latest lurid front-page testimony on powerful men, the Washington Post reported that eight women have accused Rose of brutish and exhibitionist behavior. They said new employees were sometimes rubbed on the shoulders by his “crusty paw,” and that he liked walking out naked in front of female staffers. Boom. CBS and PBS abruptly fired him.

This was shocking to people who watched Rose glide along with elites. He seemed to be a courtly Southern gentleman on air. But that turned out to be deeply false. His ego was immense, while his humble, facilitating TV persona seemed the polar opposite of an aggressive questioner like his late “60 Minutes” colleague Mike Wallace.

Did Rose see his day of reckoning drawing nearer in the wake of the Donald Trump “Access Hollywood” tape and the Harvey Weinstein wave? You couldn’t tell from his interviews. He asked former magazine editor

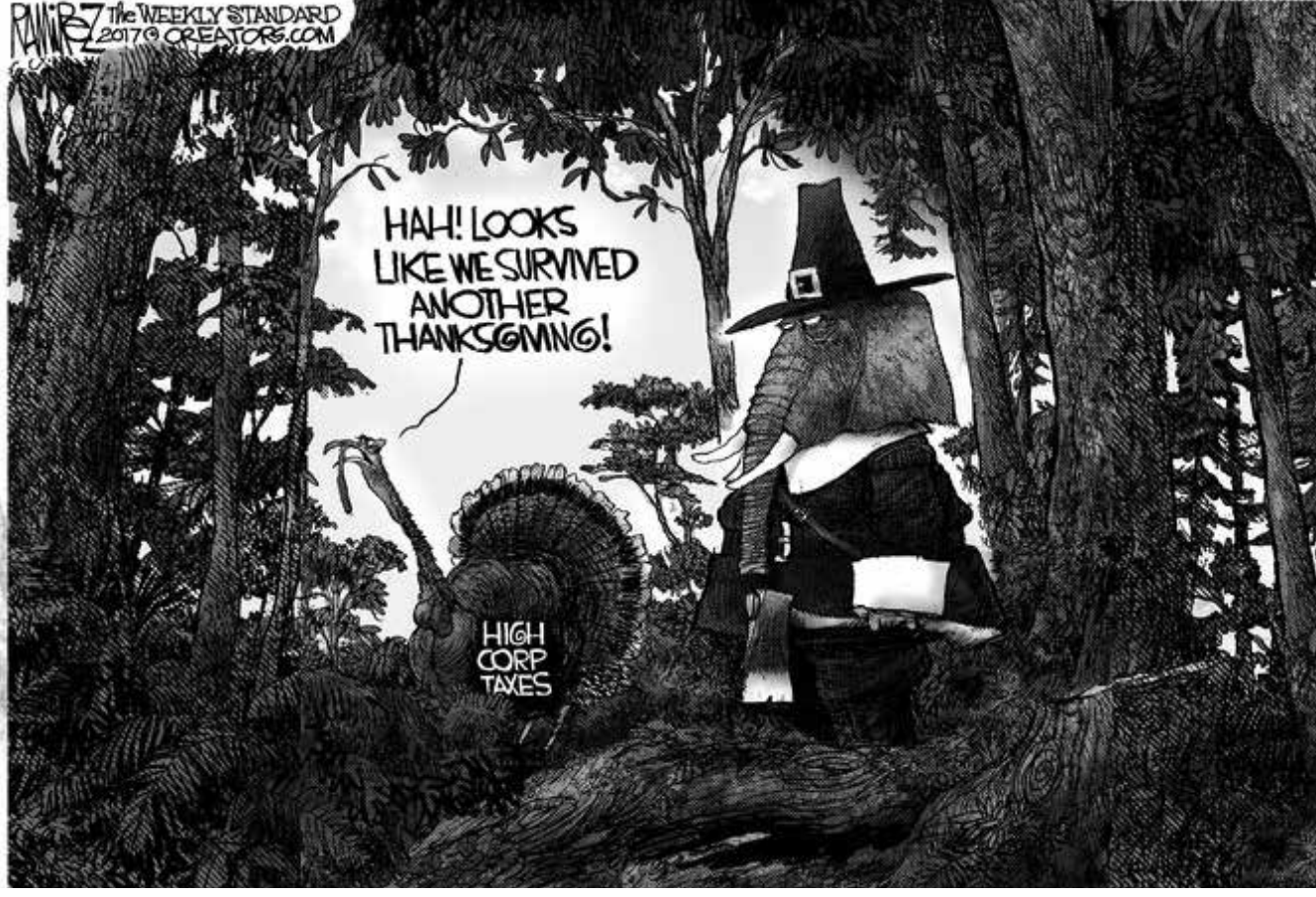
Tina Brown about Weinstein’s rapacious ways and sympathized with Amy Schumer’s tale of sexual assault. He let New York Times columnist David Brooks blame the hostile environment on the bubble of impunity surrounding former President Bill Clinton. He scolded Steve Bannon about President Trump’s “locker-room talk” with Billy Bush.

Rose even let “Full Frontal” host Samantha Bee use him for a satirical skit for TBS last summer titled “What Are You Hiding, Charlie Rose?” The two were in his studio with the typical black backdrop, and when Bee turned on the lights, creepy clones of Rose were revealed to be hiding in the darkness. Her face was horrified as one clone pawed her shoulder.

Perhaps like so many others of the ruling elite, Rose believed he was untouchable. (Apparently, lots of people thought that!) Rose must have believed that anyone he had wronged would never come forward. Even when they did, he insisted there was no “wrongdoing.” Like many self-absorbed lechers caught up in this, well, “malestrom,” he sounded clueless about his behavior. He put out a statement that included this sentence about his aggressive advances: “I always felt that I was pursuing shared feelings, even though now I realize I was mistaken.”



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# When good faith medicine raises flags

Forest Tennant, who has been treating and researching pain at his clinic in West Covina, California, since 1975, is well-known as an expert in the field, having published more than 200 articles in medical journals and given more than 130 presentations at professional conferences. According to the Drug Enforcement Administration, all of that was an elaborate cover for drug trafficking.

Or so you would have to surmise from the affidavit supporting the search warrant that the DEA served on Tennant’s offices and home last week, which describes “invalid prescriptions,” “red flags of diversion and fraud” and “combinations of drugs that are consistent with ‘pill mill’ prescribing practices.” The allegations and insinuations show how the DEA has tried to criminalize differences of opinion about pain treatment, encouraging doctors to think about their legal exposure first and their patients second.

Tennant says the “red flags” perceived by the DEA are consistent with a practice like his, which specializes in treating severe, intractable pain caused by conditions such as arachnoiditis, Ehlers-Danlos syndrome, reflex sympathetic dystrophy and post-viral neuropathy. “We only take people who have failed the

standard treatments,” he says.

Tennant’s willingness to take hard cases explains why some of his patients live in other states, a fact the DEA considers suspicious. “We only see them in conjunction with their local doctors,” he says.

In addition to severe pain, Tennant’s patients often have metabolic abnormalities that make them less sensitive to opioids and have developed tolerance after years of pain treatment. Those factors explain the doses that struck the DEA as suspiciously high and the drug combinations it deemed reckless.

By the time Tennant starts treating them, his patients are already taking large doses of opioids, often in combination with muscle relaxants and benzodiazepines. “We didn’t start anybody on high dosages,” Tennant says. “We took them to study them to figure out how to get them off of high dosages, and that has remained our goal.”

In nine out of 10 cases, Tennant says, he has been able to reduce patients’ opioid doses substantially, by as much as 80 percent. At the same time, he defends the use of high doses for patients who need them, a stance that bothers the DEA.

The search warrant affidavit cites a 2009 article in which Tennant and two other doctors defended the prescription of “ultra-high opioid doses” for certain patients with severe chronic pain. The affidavit also notes that Tennant championed the California Pain Patient’s Bill of Rights, a 1997 law affirming that “opiates can be an accepted treatment”

The idea of a 75-year-old man strolling around naked in front of a college-age assistant like he is grade A material is the definition of delusion. He’s just a dirty old man. It sounds like someone who always believed the old Henry Kissinger axiom “Power is the ultimate aphrodisiac,” or in his case, that sitting and listening to the powerful and stroking their egos on public TV made him irresistible.

It was a slightly gentler echo of the comedian Louis C.K., who caused unintentional laughter by admitting, “At the time, I said to myself that what I did was okay, because I never showed a woman my d— without asking first.” He had to be taught that disrobing and masturbating in front of women he’d just met was for them a “predicament.”

Every powerful man who is getting caught up in this wave isn’t living by the Ten Commandments but by the “Access Hollywood” code: When you’re a star, the women will let you do it. You can do anything.

Charlie Rose exploited women for decades as he produced shows at Bloomberg’s TV studio for PBS and hosted shows on CBS. None of those news agencies ever seemed to find any wrongdoing inside their own offices worth reporting. The embarrassment and shame should also be theirs.

JACON  
SULLUM

### Funeral for Border Patrol agent set for Saturday in El Paso

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Services are planned for a Border Patrol agent in Texas who died nearly a week ago from head and other injuries. A private funeral mass is scheduled for Saturday in El Paso for Border Patrol Agent Rogelio Martinez. U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions is expected to attend the 2 p.m. service at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church. Burial will follow at Restlawn Memorial Park. The cause of Martinez's death last Sunday is under investigation. His partner, whose name hasn't been released, was also seriously injured. Both agents were found Nov. 18 in a culvert near Van Horn, 30 miles (50 kilometers) from the border with Mexico and 110 miles (175 kilometers) southeast of El Paso. Investigators are trying to determine what happened to the agents.

### 6 children shot on street, 1 fatally; public's help sought

CLEVELAND (AP) — Police say a 12-year-old boy fatally shot in an attack on juveniles near a Cleveland liquor store had stepped outside of the store with his father after the shooting started and was struck by a stray bullet. Authorities haven't identified the boy or his father, who owned the store. Police say five teen boys between the ages of 14 and 16 were wounded in the shooting around 7:30 p.m. Friday, including a 16-year-old hospitalized with a gunshot wound to the head. A Cleveland police spokeswoman says the teens were standing outside the liquor store when a group of three to four males opened fire. Police Chief Calvin Williams says it's believed the shooters also are juveniles. Officials are seeking the public's help in identifying and arresting the shooting suspects.

### Trump denounces attack in Egypt, calls again for travel ban

JUPITER, Fla. (AP) — President Donald Trump on Friday denounced the deadly mosque attack in Egypt and reached out to its president, asserting the world must crush terrorists by military means — and insisting the U.S. needs a southern border wall and the travel ban tied up in courts. "Need the WALL, need the BAN!" Trump tweeted before his planned call to Egyptian President Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi. "God bless the people of Egypt." That attack's aftermath played out as Trump mixed work and play in sunny Florida, golfing — quickly, he claimed — with pros Tiger Woods and Dustin Johnson, speaking with foreign leaders and tweeting briskly. Trump spoke with Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, before his attention turned to the attack in Egypt, where at least 235 people were killed when Islamic militants attacked a crowded mosque during prayers in the Sinai Peninsula, setting off explosives and spraying worshippers with gunfire. "The world cannot tolerate terrorism," Trump tweeted in response. He added, "We must defeat them militarily and discredit the extremist ideology that forms the basis of their existence!"

### US backtracks on decision to close Palestinian office in DC

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Trump administration backtracked Friday on its decision to order the Palestinians' office in Washington to close, instead saying it would merely impose limitations on the office that it expected would be lifted after 90 days. Last week, U.S. officials said the Palestine Liberation Organization mission couldn't stay open because the Palestinians had violated a provision in U.S. law requiring the office to close if the Palestinians try to get the International Criminal Court to prosecute Israelis. The move triggered a major rift in U.S.-Palestinian relations that threatened to scuttle President Donald Trump's ambitious effort to broker Mideast peace before it ever got off the ground. Yet the United States delayed shuttering the office for a week while saying it was working out the details with the Palestinians, before abruptly reversing course late Friday, as many Americans were enjoying a long Thanksgiving Day weekend. State Department spokesman Edgar Vasquez said the U.S. had "advised the PLO Office to limit its activities to those related to achieving a lasting, comprehensive peace between the Israelis and Palestinians." Vasquez said even those restrictions will be lifted after 90 days if the U.S. determines the Israelis and Palestinians are engaged in serious peace talks. The White House, in an effort led by Trump adviser and son-in-law Jared Kushner, has been preparing a comprehensive peace plan to present to both sides in the coming months.

# Man charged with killing Texas trooper who had stopped him

By CLAUDIA LAUER

Associated Press  
DALLAS (AP) — The suspect in the shooting death of a state trooper during a Thanksgiving Day traffic stop in East Texas was charged Friday with capital murder of a law enforcement officer.



Black

Dabrett Black, 32, was being held in the Brazos County jail in Bryan, Texas, about 100 miles (160 kilometers) northwest of Houston. He is accused of fatally shooting Trooper Damon Allen on Thursday.

The Texas Department of Public Safety said in social media posts late Thursday that Allen initiated a traffic stop shortly before 4 p.m. on Interstate 45 near Fairfield, about 90 miles (145 kilometers) south of Dallas. DPS said Black shot Allen with a rifle after the trooper walked back to his vehicle.

Allen died at the scene, DPS officials said, adding that he had been with the department since 2002. An obituary posted Friday by the funeral home said Allen is survived by his wife Kasey, three daughters and a son.

DPS said Black, of Lindale, Texas, fled the scene in a car and was spotted about three hours later more than 100 miles (160 kilometers) south of Fairfield, in Waller County. The Waller County Sheriff's Office posted on Facebook that deputies were attempting to take Black into custody when shots were fired. It was not clear from the statement who opened fire.

Black fled on foot and was

taken into custody after a police dog found him in a nearby field. He had been hiding among hay bales, authorities said. He was treated for injuries that weren't life-threatening.

"Our DPS family is heartbroken tonight after one of Texas' finest law enforcement officers was killed in the line of duty," DPS Director Steven McCraw said. "Trooper Allen's dedication to duty, and his bravery and selfless sacrifice on this Thanksgiving Day, will never be forgotten."

Allen was the second Texas trooper to be killed while on duty this month and the first trooper in the state to be shot in the line of duty since 2008. Trooper Thomas Nipper was struck and killed by a vehicle during a traffic stop on Interstate 35 earlier this month.

Court and jail records show Black has a history of evading arrest and violent run-ins with law enforcement officers.

A magistrate judge who heard official charges against Black declined to hold a bond hearing Friday. Black will likely be transferred to one of the three counties where there are open charges against him. Jail officials said a bond hearing on the capital murder charge would likely have to happen in Freestone County, where the charge originated.

Smith County court records show Black was indicted last month after he led police on a chase and rammed his car into a police cruiser in July. Court records show he was charged with aggravated assault of a public servant and evading arrest or detention with a vehicle. Brazos County jail records show that he was out on bond on those charges and that the bond had been re-

called as insufficient due to the new charges.

Black was charged in 2015 with assault on a public servant and attempting to take a weapon from an officer, according to Smith County court records. Those charges were dismissed in 2016, but the records didn't explain why.

Brazos County jail records also show Black was facing a charge of evading arrest with a vehicle in Anderson County, east of where the shooting occurred Thursday. Details of the charge, including the date of the alleged offense, were unclear from those records that said his bond had been forfeited. A call to Anderson County court officials was not immediately returned Friday.

A call to a court-appointed attorney representing Black in the Smith County charges was also not immediately returned Friday. It was unclear from Brazos County records whether Black has an attorney representing him in the capital murder case.

Several Texas officials reacted to Allen's death. In a tweet Thursday, U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz offered "prayers for the family and loved ones" of the trooper.

Texas Gov. Greg Abbott called the fatal shooting of Allen a "heinous crime" in a statement Thursday. Abbott also expressed his "most sincere condolences" to the trooper's family.

Allen's body was taken to the Dallas County medical examiner's office late Thursday night. A DPS spokesman said law enforcement officers on Friday escorted Allen's body to a funeral home in Teague, Texas.

A funeral is planned Dec. 1 in Mexia, Texas.

# Missouri dismemberment suspect charged in California killing

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — A homeless man found sleeping in a Kansas storage unit with his children and his dismembered wife's remains is now suspected of killing a California man who vanished last year.

Justin Tod Rey, 35, was charged Wednesday in the death of Sean Ty Ferrel, a Palm Springs resident who disappeared after going on vacation with Rey in 2016. Ferrel's body hasn't been found, but his blood was eventually detected in the trunk of his vehicle after Rey was involved in an accident with it three months later.

Rey is currently jailed on \$1 million bond in Kansas' Johnson County on child endangerment charges. He's also charged with abandonment of corpse in Missouri, where his wife died at a hotel. Investigators allege Rey took photographs with his wife's body and children, then dismembered the body two days later in a hotel bathtub.

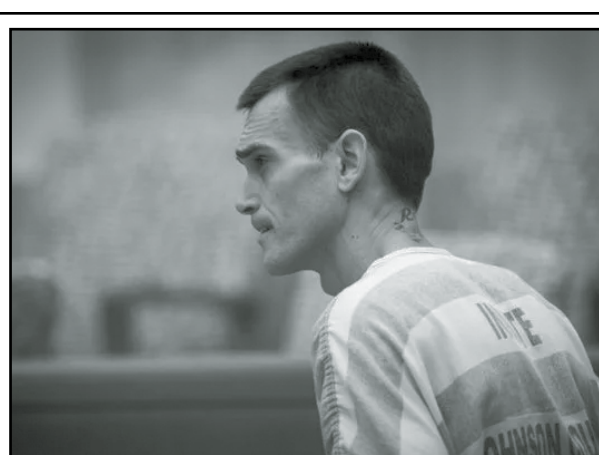
A judge in California's Riverside County also set Rey's bail at \$1 million. Palm Springs police issued a state-

ment saying they and county prosecutors were working with Kansas authorities on possibly

extraditing Rey to face charges in the California case.

Investigators said that after Ferrel went on vacation in May 2016, his friends noticed changes in responses to texts and suspected the messages were coming from someone else. That August, Rey had an accident with Ferrel's vehicle in Los Angeles, but it wasn't until months later that blood found in the trunk was determined to be Ferrel's.

Palm Springs police said Rey had Ferrel's cellphone, and that Ferrel's wallet, credit cards, letters, medication and other possessions were found in a storage unit Rey rented in Kingman, Arizona. Surveillance footage also showed Rey using Ferrel's credit card, including once while wearing a disguise that was found in the crashed vehicle, according to a statement from police.



AP photo

**In this Nov. 2, 2017 file photo, Justin Rey appears in Johnson County District Court in Olathe, Kan. Rey, who was arrested after sleeping in a Kansas storage unit with his two children and his dismembered wife's remains has been charged Wednesday, Nov. 22, with murder in the death of Sean Ty Ferrel. The Palm Springs, Calif., man disappeared in May 2016 after vacationing with Rey.**

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## Mustangs stomp Jaybirds 60-12 in Regional Championship playoff game

By **MARISSA LOFTIN**

Sports Editor

The Sands Mustangs took on the Jayton Jaybirds on Friday for the Regional Championship title and a win to keep their playoff run alive. Sands came out on top with a final score of 60-12.

Sands showed Jayton no mercy as they pretty much held them in check for the whole game. The Jaybirds only got six first downs, converted only three of their 12 third down attempts and none of their 8 fourth down attempts.

The Mustang offense was rolling as they collected 242 rushing yards on 30 carries and 137 receiving yards on 6 catches, making their total offensive yards for the game 379.

The Jaybirds had a little bit of success in their ground game as they came out with 121 yards on 35 carries, but it wasn't enough. Sands' defense held Jayton to 5 catches, which was good for only 33 receiving yards.

**RUSHING LEADERS:**

Hunter Reese – 19 rushes for 117 yards, 2 TD

Will Thomas – three rushes for 46 yards, 1 TD

Chris Ybarra – four rushes for 39 yards, 2 TD

Reme Arriaga – two rushes for 15 yards, 1 TD

Jayden Wigington - two rushes for 25 yards

Sands featured a quarterback committee of Landon Morrow and Hunter Reese. Together they completed 75% of their passes for 137 yards and two touchdowns.

**PASSING LEADERS:**

Landon Morrow went 3-5 for 70 yards and one touchdown

Hunter Reese went 3-3 for 67 yards and one touchdown

**RECEIVING LEADERS:**

Layne French – two catches for 90 yards, 2 TD

Landry Connell – one catch for 18 yards

Jayden Wigington – one catch for 15 yards

**SCORING SUMMARY:**



Courtesy photo by Glenda Kennedy

Pictured above is the Sands Mustang football team with their Regional Championship trophy after defeating Jayton 60-12 in their playoff game on Friday, November 24, 2017.

**1st Quarter**

SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 2-0  
SAN: Will Thomas 34 yd Rush (TD)

8-0

**2nd Quarter**

SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 10-0  
SAN: Layne French 46 yd Pass from Landon Morrow (CNV) 16-0

SAN: Layne French 44 yd Pass from Hunter Reese (CNV) 22-0

SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 24-0  
SAN: Chris Ybarra 3 yd Rush (TD)

30-0

**3rd Quarter**

SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 32-0  
SAN: Reme Arriaga 10 yd Rush (TD)

38-0

JAY: Tyler Seaton 15 yd Pass from Kaden Awe (CNV) 38-6

JAY: Tye Scogin 18 yd Rush (TD) 38-12

SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 40-12  
SAN: Hunter Reese 9 yd Rush (TD)

46-12

SAN: Chris Ybarra (PAT) 48-12  
SAN: Chris Ybarra 23 yd Rush (TD)

54-12

**4th Quarter**

SAN: Hunter Reese 4 yd Rush (TD)

60-12

On Friday, The Mustangs will make their way to Rankin to take on the 11-0 Balmorhea Bears. Kick-off is set for 7 p.m.



Courtesy photo by Glenda Kennedy

Pictured above is Sands' Hunter Reese scoring a touchdown in their playoff game against Jayton on Friday, November 24, 2017.

## No. 10 TCU needs to contain 2nd-ranked Oklahoma offense



By **CLIFF BRUNT**

AP Sports Writer

NORMAN, Okla. — Don't blink when quarterback Baker Mayfield and Oklahoma's high-powered offense take the field early in games.

The Sooners have averaged 34 points in the first half of their past five games and scored at least 20 points in the first half of all but two games this season. Their most stunning early performance was a 38-point barrage in the first half of a win over TCU, which entered that game with the nation's No. 6 scoring and yardage defense.

No. 2 Oklahoma (11-1, 8-1 Big 12, No. 4 CFP) will try to duplicate that early season effort in a rematch with No. 10 TCU in the Big 12 championship game Saturday in Arlington, Texas.

"For us, it's about adjusting on the fly," Mayfield said. "We're going to have our base game plan and so will they. Then when you play someone for the second time, it's about in-game adjustments and the most physical team is going to win. You're going to be ready game-plan wise. There's going to be

people in the perfect spots. It's about winning your individual battles and matchups."

Against West Virginia on Saturday, Oklahoma had 443 yards at halftime — 238 passing and 205 rushing. The Sooners led 45-10 at the break and eventually rolled to a 59-31 victory.

West Virginia coach Dana Holgorsen could barely fault his defense.

"I knew they were good going into this thing," Holgorsen said. "I don't want to beat up our defense. We've played real good defense around here the last three or four years. I like what we're doing. That's an offense that is tough to stop."

Overall, Oklahoma leads the nation with 593.5 yards per game and ranks second in passing offense and fourth in scoring offense. Mayfield leads the nation in passing efficiency with a mark that would break the FBS record he set last season.

"Baker Mayfield is a really good player, and he has the opportunity to win the Heisman Trophy," TCU coach

AP photo

TCU cornerback Jeff Gladney (12) and safety Markell Simmons (3) tackle Baylor wide receiver Denzel Mims (15) during the first half of an NCAA college football game, Friday, Nov. 24, 2017, in Fort Worth, Texas.

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State Financial Accountability Rating

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The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the Big Spring Independent School District's rating on the state's financial accountability system.

#9608 November 20, 27, 2017

#### GLASSCOCK COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TIME

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing before the Board of Trustees of Glasscock County Independent School District will be held Monday, December 18, 2017 at 6P.M. in the Glasscock County ISD Boardroom of Administration Building, 308 West Chambers, Garden City, Texas, to discuss:

1. Creation of the Bearkat II Reinvestment Zone pursuant to Texas Tax Code §312.0025
2. Application of Bearkat Wind Energy II LLC for an Appraised Value Limitation

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#### Scam Victim Wonders What to Do

**Dear Annie:** I was recently a victim of fraud. It involved a job offer that turned out to be fake and a check that turned out to be bad. My question to you is: Should I report this to the police or someone else? -- Feeling Foolish

#### Dear Feeling Foolish:

Don't feel too foolish. According to a study from Javelin Strategy & Research, 15.4 million Americans were victims of fraud in 2016 alone. Contact the Federal Trade Commission to report the incident at 877-FTC-HELP. Though I'm sure you've learned your

lesson, I still have to say: Never accept checks from strangers, as there are a multitude of bad-check scams out there, and don't wire money to anyone you don't know. Even if a request for funds appears to come from someone you know, reach out over the phone or in person to be sure it's not an impersonator who has hacked the account. Sign up for alerts on new scams and how to avoid them at <http://www.ftc.gov/scams>.

**Dear Annie:** I have been pondering the letter from "Drained," who was tired of an acquaintance's charging his vehicle at "Drained's" house. I feel that the letter from "Drained" was

inappropriate and that your advice -- to ask the person with the electric vehicle for reimbursement for electricity -- only added insult to injury.

A number of years ago, I came down with peripheral neuropathy, for which there is no cure. What this basically means is that I have nerve damage in my feet. I do not let this get me down and do everything I can to keep my life as normal as possible. I have to ride a scooter everywhere I go, including around the house.

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30 cents. If I don't charge my scooter, then my battery dies on my way home, and I have to find someone close who can push me to my destination or crawl on my hands and knees, pushing my scooter until I hit my destination or find a place where I can charge it. I have not run into anyone who minds giving me 30 cents' worth of electricity when needed.

I hope you never get to a point in your life that you need a scooter to be part of your life. It is not fun, but you do what you can to keep your life as normal as you can. Everywhere you go, that scooter goes with you, and it is a part of your life. -- Greg  
**Dear Greg:** I'm

printing your letter as a caveat to my initial response to the letter from "Drained" (about an electric vehicle, which requires much more electricity and is less essential). In cases where someone needs to charge his or her mobility scooter, offering your outlet is the right thing to do, with no quibbling over kilowatts.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to [dearannie@creators.com](mailto:dearannie@creators.com). To find out more about Annie Lane and read features by other Creators Syndicate columnists and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate website at [www.creators.com](http://www.creators.com).  
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By Steve Becker

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**NORTH**

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

**WEST**

♠ Q J  
♥ 9 7 6  
♦ K 9 8 6 4  
♣ 10 8 3

**EAST**

♠ A 2  
♥ 10 5 3  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ A Q 9 7 2

**SOUTH**

♠ K 9 8 7 4  
♥ 8 4  
♦ A J 3 2  
♣ J 6

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	

Opening lead — three of clubs.

It is said that defense is the most difficult part of the game, but in this deal from the 1997 world team championship, both pairs of defenders made short work of declarer's shaky but apparently ice-cold (as the cards lay) four-spade contract.

The deal occurred in the quarter-final match between a U.S. team and China. At both tables, North-South bid aggressively to reach four spades, which with normal defense would yield 10 or 11 tricks. Against a heart

or low diamond lead, for example, declarer would win in dummy and lead a spade to the king. With the ace onside and the suit divided 2-2, South would most likely finish with 11 tricks, losing only a spade and the ace of clubs. But both Wests found the most effective lead, a club.

**Both Easts** — Xin Li for China and Michael Rosenberg for the U.S. — took the opening club trick with the queen and made a quick assessment of their prospects. East had to assume the ace of clubs was a trick, and this, plus the ace of spades, would give the defenders three tricks. The question remaining was where a fourth trick might come from.

**If West had the ace of diamonds**, the defenders had four top tricks, but if declarer had the diamond ace, it would be necessary to score a second trump trick.

**Accordingly**, both defenders, thinking along exactly the same lines, continued with the ace and another club at tricks two and three. South won with dummy's king and led a spade from dummy, but both East players rose with the ace of spades and returned a fourth round of clubs, promoting West's spade queen as the setting trick.

**Great minds** do indeed run in the same channels.

**Tomorrow:** It's so easy to self-destruct.  
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## Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



### Lessons of Mercury and Saturn

An alignment of Mercury and Saturn reminds us that comfort can lead to pain. For instance, the comfort of not exerting yourself physically leads to weak muscles that don't support you properly when you're ready to rock. Go for the pain that leads to comfort instead of seeking the comfort that leads to pain.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** The daydreaming has been fun, but now you're in the mood to make it happen -- to embrace your inspiration and turn it into a practical plan. Start with research, and ask for personal recommendations.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** It's as if you can't stop your good fortune. You'll receive when all you're trying to do is give. Tonight you could change everything just by holding someone's hand.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** Dark clouds will pass quickly. Just make sure your windows are closed. Controlling your own personal environment is much easier when you stop fretting about the uncontrollable larger setting.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Creating moments with people is kind of your thing today! And if there are missteps, just chalk that up to part of the fun. They'll later forget the particulars and mostly remember how you made them feel.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** You know you're not the finished product yet. You'll never be! You're always growing and changing. So don't let the little instructive corrections along the way get you down, nor should you let the compliments go to your head.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** You've got your eye on a person or business you'd like to be involved with, but

you once thought of as a lofty aim is proving to be well within your capability. You'll barely have to reach and it's yours at the turn of the year. You'll accomplish something remarkable with a trusted friend. Publicize this! There will be a fun twist in your family story, followed by a journey together. Taurus and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 22, 35, 14 and 19.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Numbers are a part of the game you can't avoid. How can you get the numbers up? This probably has to do with seeing, advertising to and interacting with more people.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Exert your autonomy. Don't attach too much weight onto the connection you have with another person or accept anyone else's definition of who you are or what you're doing.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Trust and openness do not happen overnight. It takes time to build a relationship that allows you to reveal information without fear that it will be used to undermine your position.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** Everyone is a little worried about being misinterpreted and coming off badly. Let's hope that makes you feel a little better about your own minor insecurities.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** You'll get to decide the meaning of a situation. Whether this scene feels positive or negative to you, assign a meaning that helps you move on from it with the greatest ease.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** There's a dark emotional place to flush out. Face it; walk into it and turn on your flashlight. Sweep the cobwebs. Scare the creatures. Generally clean this space up so you can keep going. Don't dwell in it!

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 27).** What

**ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION:** "My close girlfriend (a Pisces) told me that my fiance (also a Pisces) was flirting with her and that he tried to kiss her. It was at a party, and they had been drinking. I had left already because I had to work in the morning. Anyway, I didn't bring it up with my fiance, but I see no reason why my friend would lie to me about this. Do you think I should call off the engagement? He did cheat on me three years ago, but we got past it. I'm a Virgo."

It's true that Pisces are impressionable sorts, known for getting caught up in the moment. Pisces men are sensitive, too, and this could be a case of your Pisces fiance's crumbling under the pressure as you get closer to your wedding date, but more than likely, he was just being the way he is. If infidelity is a deal breaker for you, you'd be wise to heed this situation as a harbinger of things to come. The fact that he chose a person very close to you means that he was willing to risk your finding out, and maybe he even wanted you to find out. Investigate further before you do any more wedding planning.

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ANSWER:

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9:PM	The Good	Caer en	News	Scorpion	Señora	A-Pentatonix	Light of	Heroes	Page Six	American	American	(:01) Movie:	Baltimore	College	UFC Count-	(:01) Street	Outlaws	
9:30	Doctor	tentación	TMZ		Acero 4		Southwest	Heroes	Seinfeld	American	American	A Few	Ravens.	College	down	(:02) Street	Outlaws	
10:PM	Local 2	Impacto	Mom	CBS 7	Tele	News	News	Charlie Rose	C. Burnett	Seinfeld	Conan	Good Men,		E:60	Poker	Mod Fam	Dog	
10:30	ABC	Noticiero	Mod Fam	Late Show-	Titulares	Tonight	House	Perry Mason	Rules	Seinfeld		Demi Moore		E:60	Cowboys	Mod Fam	Dog	
11:PM	Jimmy Kim-	Noticiero	Mod Fam	Colbert	Sin Senos Si	Show	Aleph	Newsline	Rules	Seinfeld		(DVS)		E:60	NBA G	Mod Fam	Dog	
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### DENNIS THE MENACE

**"YOU CAN ALWAYS TELL ME YOUR TROUBLES, DENNIS."**

**"I'M TALKIN' TO ONE OF THEM RIGHT NOW!"**

### THE FAMILY CIRCUS

By Bil Keane

**EENY, MEENY, MINEY, MO...**

**"I don't want to be a Mo!"**

### HI AND LOIS

**DO YOU THINK PEOPLE ARE GETTING GROUCHIER?**

**WHAT DO YOU MEAN?**

### BLONDIE

**I SAID "HAPPY HOLIDAYS" TO A MAN TODAY AND HE CALLED ME A "CHRISTMAS DENIER."**

### BEETLE BAILEY

**COULD YOU PLEASE PASS... SUGAR?**

**WHERE'S MY...? BRIEFCASE!**

### BEETLE BAILEY

**I THOUGHT IT WAS CASUAL FRIDAY**

**THAT ISN'T GOING TO WORK WITH ME, BEETLE**

**WHY NOT?**

**INSPECTIONS ARE NEVER CASUAL. AND IT'S MONDAY**

## This Date In History

Today is Monday, Nov. 27, the 331st day of 2017. There are 34 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On Nov. 27, 1967, the Beatles album "Magical Mystery Tour" was released in the United States by Capitol Records.

On this date:

In 1815, the constitution for the Congress Kingdom of Poland was signed by Russian Czar Alexander I, who was also king of Poland.

In 1901, the U.S. Army War College was established in Washington, D.C.

In 1910, New York's Pennsylvania Station officially opened.

In 1924, Macy's first Thanksgiving Day parade — billed as a "Christmas Parade" — took place in New York.

In 1937, the musical revue "Pins and Needles," produced by the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, opened in New York.

In 1942, during World War II, the Vichy French navy scuttled its ships and submarines in Toulon (too-LOHN) to keep them

out of the hands of German troops.

In 1945, General George C. Marshall was named special U.S. envoy to China by President Harry S. Truman to try to end hostilities between the Nationalists and the Communists.

In 1953, playwright Eugene O'Neill died in Boston at age 65.

In 1962, the first Boeing 727 was rolled out at the company's Renton Plant.

In 1978, San Francisco Mayor George Moscone (mahs-KOH'-nee) and City Supervisor Harvey Milk, a gay-rights activist, were shot to death inside City Hall by for-

mer supervisor Dan White. (White served five years for manslaughter; he committed suicide in Oct. 1985.)

In 1983, 181 people were killed when a Colombian Avianca Airlines Boeing 747 crashed near Madrid's Barajas airport.

In 1989, a bomb

blamed on drug traffickers destroyed a Colombian Avianca Boeing 727, killing all 107 people on board and three people on the ground.

Ten years ago: Israeli and Palestinian leaders meeting at a Mideast conference in Annapolis, Maryland, agreed to formally restart peace talks. Washington Redskins safety Sean Taylor died a day after being shot in his Florida home by an intruder. Bill Willis, a Hall of Fame guard with the Cleveland Browns and Ohio State's first black football All-American, died in Columbus, Ohio, at age 86. Dr. J. Robert Cade, inventor of Gatorade, died at age 80.

Five years ago: U.N. Ambassador Susan Rice met privately with three Republican senators who had indicated they would block her possible nomination to be U.S. secretary of state; they said afterward that they were even more troubled by her initial explanation of the attack that killed four Americans in Benghazi, Libya. (The following month, Rice withdrew from consideration to be secretary of state.) The government said consumer confidence reached its highest level in nearly five years, with the help of rising home values, more hiring and lower gas prices.

One year ago: President-elect Donald Trump claimed that "millions" had voted illegally in the national election, scoffing at

## Newsday Crossword

**ACROSS**

- Devoured
- Mountain climbed by Moses
- Tic-\_\_-toe
- Dance "it takes two" to do
- King's headgear
- "It's my turn"
- Giddy
- Angry dog's sound
- Pasta like ziti
- \_\_ and aahed
- Square cracker
- Areas of expertise
- Puts a padlock on
- Large beer container
- Basketball targets
- Skin openings
- One \_\_ million (rare)
- Rumple, as hair
- Dish that holds dinner
- Potato, informally
- Poem of praise
- "Dr." who created the Grinch
- Italian resort isle
- Most recent
- To a greater extent
- Corkscrew shape
- In addition
- Residences
- Bread that's browned
- Bit of barbecue

**DOWN**

- Ocean off Florida: Abbr.
- Mai \_\_ cocktail
- London's country: Abbr.
- "Yuck!"
- Pastry-covered entrées
- Film excerpt
- Harsh
- Take advantage of
- Lauder of cosmetics
- Red cosmetic
- \_\_-and-breakfast inn
- Ringo of the Beatles
- Have a fainting spell
- Teheran's country
- Intersection point
- Leave speechless
- Out of the rain
- Not talking
- See eye to eye
- Thin ropes
- Barnyard cacklers
- Metallic rock
- Foolish one
- For all to hear
- Very flexible, as a dancer
- Recipe amts.
- At no cost
- Be a braggart
- \_\_ and crafts
- In addition
- Surgeon's assistant
- Spanish farewell
- Orange's covering
- Dress of India
- Hides away
- Shares top billing
- Exist
- Netlike fabric
- Hedge plant
- Social composure
- Big name in aspirin
- Informal farewell
- Above
- D.C. winter clock setting
- Right away
- Twosome
- Swelled head
- Bear's dwelling

## ANATOMICAL ANTONYMS

by Sally R. Stein  
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Thought for Today:  
"You must be in tune with the times and prepared to break with tradition."

James Agee  
American author, poet and critic (born this date in 1909, died 1955).

Answer to previous puzzle

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Courtesy photo by Glenda Kennedy

Pictured above is Sands' Landon Morrow throwing a pass in their playoff game against Jayton on Friday, November 24, 2017.



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Pictured above is Sands' Reme Arriaga (5) scoring a touchdown with the help of teammate Kobyn Ramey (32) in their playoff game against Jayton on Friday, November 24, 2017.



Courtesy photo by Glenda Kennedy

Pictured above is Sands' Layne French (24) running the ball down the sideline as teammate Landry Connell (13) cheers him on from the backfield in their playoff game against Jayton on Friday, November 24, 2017.



AP photo

Oklahoma quarterback Baker Mayfield (6) passes under pressure from a West Virginia defensive lineman in the second quarter of an NCAA college football game in Norman, Okla., Saturday, Nov. 25, 2017.

## TCU

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Gary Patterson said. "He's a good football player, and he also has a lot of good players around him."

Oklahoma unveiled another weapon against West Virginia that TCU (10-2, 7-2, No. 12 CFP) might have to deal with — backup quarterback Kyler Murray's running ability. Murray started against the Mountain-

eers in place of Mayfield, who was benched because of disciplinary reasons. Murray ripped off a 66-yard run on the first play from scrimmage. He is one of the fastest players on the team, and the play showed another wrinkle in an already potent offense.

Oklahoma's defense answered the call against the Mountain-eers too, forcing a turnover in the final minute of the first half that led to Austin Seibert's ca-

reer-long 51-yard field goal as time expired.

If the Horned Frogs can contain the Sooners in the first half, they should be in good shape. TCU has allowed just six points total and no touchdowns in the second half of its past seven games. TCU's defense ranks eighth nationally in yards allowed, second in rushing defense and eighth in scoring defense.

Patterson said the key has been the ability to match up with op-

ponents so the Horned Frogs don't have to gamble.

"It helps when you don't have to blitz to stop people," Patterson said. "Our guys are big enough up front to hold up without having to blitz and we can play the plays the offense gives us. If you have to take chances and put guys in one-on-one situations, then you give up scores. We haven't had to do that."

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