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'Cowboys and Heels' at the Coliseum Saturday

By ROGER CLINE
 Staff Writer

This Saturday, the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum is going to turn into a winter wonderland. The event is "Cowboys and Heels," a shopping expo that invades the Dorothy three times a year, and the event's final show of the year is a Christmas expo, said organizer Danielle Ramirez.

"This is our last one for the year," Ramirez said. "We de-

ecided with this show, we're going to kind of do a 'give back to the community,' especially being around the holiday time. We tied in all our extra funding that we had to do projects with the kids."

The Coliseum will be set up as a Christmas village for the event, which will open at 10 a.m. and close at 9 p.m., she said.

"As the kids come in and they donate a non-perishable food item, we will give them

a little Christmas map," said Ramirez. "The Christmas map will consist of a Gingerbread Lane – we've kind of got this whole 'Lane' thing going – we've got Gingerbread Lane where they'll get to decorate a gingerbread cookie; take selfies; then we've got a little Reindeer Station where they'll get to make reindeer food; and then we have a Santa section, where they'll get to take pictures with Santa; they get to see the elves' gift-

wrapping station; they get to make a letter to Santa Claus that we'll put in a mailbox there that's decorated – it says 'North Pole'; and then we're going to send out little Christmas cards to all the kids; and then we'll have our vendors that parents can shop at."

And shop they will – there will be more than 65 vendors for parents and Christmas shoppers to browse at the show.

"We had 65, but we've kind

of grown since then, so 65-plus vendors," Ramirez said. "And our list keeps growing; we didn't reject anybody."

Some important events for Cowboys and Heels attendees to remember:

- Santa will be available for pictures from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.
- Local country artist J.R. McNutt will be onstage performing life music from 1 to 2 p.m.

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Big Spring music store expansion

By ERIN STEPHENS
 Staff Writer

A local music store has opened a new location in the Spring Town Plaza shopping center. Gary B's Music store has called Spring Town Plaza, formerly known as the Big Spring Mall, home for the last seven years. Owner of Gary B's, Gary Barrington, moved to Big Spring from Nashville, Tenn., where he worked as a professional musician for 42 years. After retiring from his musical career,

he decided to open up his own music store.

"This is our third location in the mall and we keep growing, so we need more inventory and space," said Barrington.

The music store was in its most recent location for a little over two years. The decision to move to a larger space was made for the purpose of enhancing the experience of store shoppers.

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Courtesy photo

Gary Barrington, owner of Gary B's Music store, proudly displays his plaque from the Chamber of Commerce. Barrington made the decision to join the Big Spring Chamber of Commerce this year. His business made its home in the Spring Town Plaza shopping center seven years ago and he recently moved the store to its third location inside the mall.

AP Explains: What is net neutrality and why does it matter?

By The Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — "Net neutrality" regulations, designed to prevent internet service providers like Verizon, AT&T, Comcast and Charter from favoring some sites and apps over others, are on the chopping block. On Thursday, the Federal Communications Commission plans to vote on a proposal that would not only undo the Obama-era rules that have been in place since 2015, but will forbid states to put anything similar in place.

Here's a look at what the developments mean for consumers and companies.

WHAT IS NET NEUTRALITY?

Net neutrality is the principle that internet providers treat all web traffic equally, and it's pretty much how the internet has worked since its creation. But regulators, consumer advocates and internet companies were concerned about what broadband companies could do with their power as the pathway to the internet — blocking or slowing down apps that rival their own services, for example.

WHAT DID THE GOVERNMENT DO ABOUT IT?

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BSHS choir to perform this weekend

By ERIN STEPHENS
 Staff Writer

The Big Spring High School band featuring Meistersingers, Rhapsody, Advanced Chorale and Varsity Freshman Choir, will take the stage this Friday and Sunday at 7 p.m. This year's concert is titled "A Christmas Festival of Songs and Desserts" and will be led by director of music and choral activities, Ger-

shom Garcia.

The performance will be held at the First Presbyterian Church located at 701 Rannels St. Tickets are \$5 for general admission and \$10 for priority seating, and all proceeds will go to the choir department. Dessert and coffee tickets may be purchased from the BSHS front office or any choir student before the concert date. General admission tickets will be sold at the event. Desserts and fla-

vored coffees will be served during intermission.

Concert attendees can expect to hear the 125-member choir sing holiday classics like "Oh Holy Night," "Carol of the Bells," "Silent Night," and many more.

Garcia encourages the public to come out and join in on the fun and get into the holiday spirit with them. Call 432-264-3641 for ticket information.

Accident this morning on 87



HERALD photo/Roger Cline
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"Customers will now be able to see our selection easier and can walk through and browse what all we have whereas before, our inventory wasn't as easy to see," said Barrington. "There is now room to accommodate more customers at one time and our location is in a more visible place in the mall."

Gary B's is located directly across from The Wellness Center of Big Spring and next to Blissful Boutique. According to Barrington, his store caters to everyone, young and old. They stock instruments typically used in school bands like trumpets, saxophones, trombones, and snare kits. In addition to school band instruments, they carry guitars, bass guitars, and drums. The store also has a "band instrument rental program" and "rent-to-own program" for those who want

to play in their school band but might not be able to afford an instrument.

"I'm a technically trained musician and teach music classes for churches in the area," he said.

With the help of his only employee and fellow music instructor, Anthony Lozano, they're currently giving lessons to about 27 people between the two of them, but do have space left for more students.

Barrington recently made the decision to join the Chamber of Com-

merce and the ribbon cutting for his store will take place today at 10:30 am in front of his new location.

"It's a good thing for a business to be part of the local Chamber of Commerce," he said. "After several years in business, I decided to step up and join because I felt like it would be in our store's best interest to do that."

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The FCC in 2015 approved rules, on a party-line vote, that made sure cable and phone companies don't manipulate traffic. With them in place, a provider such as Comcast can't charge Netflix for a faster path to its customers, or block it or slow it down.

The net neutrality rules gave the FCC power to go after companies for business practices that weren't explicitly banned as well. For example, the Obama FCC said that "zero rating" practices by AT&T violated net neutrality. The telecom giant exempted its own video app from cell-phone data caps, which would save some consumers money, and said video rivals could pay for the same treatment. Pai's FCC spiked the effort to go after AT&T, even before it began rolling out a plan to undo the net neutrality rules entirely.

A federal appeals court upheld the rules in 2016 after broadband providers sued.

WHAT TELCOS WANT

Big telecom companies hate the stricter regulation that comes with the net neutrality rules and have fought them fiercely in court. They say the regulations can undermine investment in broadband and introduced uncertainty about what were acceptable business practices. There were concerns about potential price regulation, even though the FCC had said it won't set prices for consumer internet service.

WHAT SILICON VALLEY WANTS

Internet companies such as Google have strongly backed net neutrality, but many tech firms have been more muted in their activism this year. Netflix, which had been vocal in support of the rules in 2015, said in January that weaker net neutrality wouldn't hurt it because it's now too popular with users for broadband providers to interfere.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

Although the FCC's two Democrats said they will oppose the proposal, the repeal is likely to prevail as Republicans dominate 3-2. The vote for net neutrality in 2015 was also along party lines, but Democrats dominated then.

In the long run, net-neutrality advocates say undoing these rules makes it harder for the government to crack down on internet providers who act against consumer interests and will harm innovation. Those who criticize the rules say undoing them is good for investment in broadband networks.

But advocates aren't sitting still. Some groups plan lawsuits to challenge the FCC's move, and Democrats — energized by public protests in support of net neutrality — think it might be a winning political issue for them in 2018 congressional elections.

Putin: US hurts itself with "invented" Trump collusion

By VLADIMIR ISACHENKOV and KATE DE PURY

Associated Press

MOSCOW (AP) — Russian President Vladimir Putin scoffed Thursday at allegations of collusion between U.S. President Donald Trump's campaign and Russia, saying the reports have been "invented" by Trump's foes and have hurt the U.S. political system.

He also mocked his most visible critic, Alexei Navalny, who is barred from challenging Putin in the March 18 presidential vote due to an embezzlement conviction, saying those like him want to plunge Russia into a destabilized quagmire. He vowed not to let that happen.

Speaking at his annual marathon news conference, Putin reaffirmed his firm denial of meddling in the 2016 U.S. presidential election.

"All of it was invented by people who oppose President Trump to undermine his legitimacy," Putin said in remarks that had an uncanny resemblance to Trump's arguments. "I'm puzzled by that. People who do it are inflicting damage to the (U.S.) domestic political situation, incapacitating the president and showing a lack of respect to voters who cast their ballots for him."

Putin argued that Russian Ambassador Sergei Kislyak, whose contacts with Trump's entourage are part of the FBI and Congressional probes into ties between the

Trump campaign and Russia, was simply performing his routine duties.

Despite Putin's comments, U.S. intelligence agencies have concluded that Russia interfered in the election to help the Republican Trump defeat Democrat Hillary Clinton. Trump last month lashed out at those agencies' former heads, calling them "political hacks" and arguing there were plenty of reasons to be suspicious of their findings.

Putin also hailed Trump's achievements, saying that global markets have demonstrated investors' confidence in Trump's economic course. The Russian leader said he and Trump had spoken on a first-name basis on the sidelines of two international summits this year and voiced hope that Trump eventually would be able to fulfill his campaign promises to improve ties with Russia.

Putin emphasized that the two countries need to cooperate on tackling global challenges and that Russia is ready for "constructive" cooperation on tackling the North Korean standoff.

Putin has warned the U.S. not to use force against North Korea, adding that the consequences will be "catastrophic." He emphasized that Russia opposes Pyongyang's nuclear bid, but added the U.S. had "provoked" Pyongyang into developing its nuclear and missile programs by spiking a

2005 deal under which North Korea agreed to halt them.

Putin said Moscow was encouraged to hear U.S. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson's statement about readiness for talks with Pyongyang, hailing it as a "realistic" approach.

He pointed out, however, that the U.S. sanctions put Russia on par with Iran and North Korea, noting that it looks "weird" in light of the fact that Washington expects Russia to cooperate in tackling the North Korean crisis.

The Russian leader also voiced concern about the U.S. considering a pullout from key nuclear arms control pacts, adding that Moscow intends to stick to them.

He noted that Russia is particularly worried about what he described as U.S. violations of the INF Treaty, a Cold-War era pact banning intermediate range missiles. The U.S. has accused Russia of pact violations — charges that Russia has denied. Putin said the U.S. accusations are part of a "propaganda" campaign to pave the way for the U.S. withdrawal.

He emphasized that Russia will "ensure its security without entering an arms race." Russia's military spending next year will amount to 2.8 trillion rubles (about \$46 billion) compared to the Pentagon's budget of about \$700 billion, he noted.

Putin also insisted that Russia's state-funded RT TV and

Sputnik news agency had a very minor presence in the U.S. media market, adding that the U.S. demand for them to register as foreign agents represented an attack on media freedom. Russia has responded in return, requesting the U.S. government-funded Voice of America and the Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty to register as foreign agents.

Putin, who declared his re-election bid last week, said he would run as a self-nominated candidate, keeping his distance from the main Kremlin-controlled party, United Russia, which has many members who have been dogged by corruption accusations.

He said he would welcome political competition but insisted that the opposition should offer a positive program.

Answering a question from 36-year-old celebrity TV host Ksenia Sobchak, who is challenging him in the presidential election, Putin said he doesn't fear political competition but emphasized that the government would protect Russia from attempts by radicals to destabilize it.

Sticking to his habit of not mentioning Navalny's name, Putin likened him to former Georgian president-turned-Ukrainian opposition leader, Mikhail Saakashvili, who has challenged the Ukrainian government with a series of anti-corruption

protests. Putin said his government wouldn't let "people like Saakashvili" plunge Russia into instability like that which is now wracking Ukraine.

Asked about accusations of state-supported doping that led to Russia being banned from the 2018 Winter Olympics in South Korea, Putin argued they were politically driven. He accused U.S. agencies of manipulating evidence from the main whistleblower on doping at the 2014 Sochi Winter Olympics.

Putin said Russian doping expert Grigory Rodchenkov — who is under witness protection after fleeing to the United States last year — is controlled by "American special services." He even suggested that U.S. agencies may be giving Rodchenkov unspecified "substances" so that he says what's required.

Rodchenkov's testimony played a key role in International Olympic Committee investigations that led last week to Russian athletes being required to compete under a neutral flag at the 2018 Winter Olympics in Pyeongchang.

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Cindy Redding, 59, died Tuesday. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. tonight at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Donald Richard (Don) Baker, 84, died Saturday. Funeral service will be at 10 a.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Mount Olive Memorial Park.

Guadalupe "Lupe" Ortiz, 85, died Tuesday. Vigil service will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Saturday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

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2 p.m., and again from 6 to 7 p.m.

The final scheduled event of the show will be 'Storytime with Santa' from 7:30 to 8:30.

"He'll be reading some Christmas stories," Ramirez said.

Ramirez said she's only been organizing expos in Big Spring this past year.

"I think our last count for our October show was about 1,800," she

said. "This is my first year ever running shows, but this is our third one for the year. We're trying to stay at three a year. Our bigger show is our July show, though."

For more information about Cowboys and Heels, visit the event's Facebook page at

https://www.facebook.com/cowboysheels2017/

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Harvey recovery continues in Houston as Hanukkah begins

By PAUL TAKAHASHI

Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON (AP) — Steven Plumb recently walked out of his apartment, headed down seven flights of stairs and started toward the synagogue.

The Houston Chronicle reports it was Shabbat, the Jewish holy day, so there could be no driving or using electronic conveniences such as elevators. Following the orthodox faith, Plumb and his family walk to synagogue every Saturday, rain or shine, through searing summers and frigid winters, as their ancestors have done for centuries.

But these days, every step along the 10-minute walk from The Halstead apartments to the United Orthodox Synagogues brings painful reminders of when Hurricane Harvey wreaked havoc on Houston and upended Plumb's life.

He walked past three apartment complexes filled with displaced friends and neighbors.

He walked the bridge across Brays Bayou, which three months ago overflowed its banks and flooded his Meyerland home of nearly 17 years.

He walked around the waterlogged synagogue off Greenwillow, once a sanctuary for some 300 faithful that now sits empty.

"It's like a nuclear bomb was dropped on our neighborhood," he said.

Harvey devastated rich and poor. Black and white, Hispanic and Asian. But it had an outsized impact on the city's tight-knit Jewish community in flood-prone Meyerland, many of whom will celebrate Hanukkah this year in temporary quarters.

About one out of every 13 Jewish families in Houston flooded during Harvey. The storm damaged three of the city's largest synagogues, with a combined membership of 3,900 families. The Evelyn Rubenstein Jewish Community Center of Houston took on 10 feet of water. Floodwater inundated the Jewish senior home, the community resource center and the Beth Yeshurun Day School.

"Nobody in this community was completely immune," said Suzanne

Jacobson with the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston.

The Plumbs are one of an estimated 2,000 Jewish households that flooded during Harvey.

Plumb's father flooded. So did his in-laws and all of his neighbors. Friends, co-workers, acquaintances flooded. Half of the kids in his eldest son's Jewish day school class flooded. They know more than 100 flood victims personally.

Growing up in Meyerland, Plumb remembers kids paddling canoes in the streets in front of Kolter Elementary after heavy rains. He's been through Tropical Storm Allison, Hurricane Ike and the Memorial Day and Tax Day floods.

Harvey was something else.

Steven Plumb, a certified public accountant, and his wife, Tammy, prepared as best they could. They had their three kids — Nathan, 17; Jacob, 14; and Sarah, 11 — pack their bags with clothes, important paperwork, laptops, phones and personal things. What couldn't be carried, they put on countertops. They took pictures for insurance purposes.

Then they waited.

The water came in through the front door around 4 a.m. on Aug. 27. Steven and Tammy woke up the kids and, with their dog, Schnitzel, escaped to their neighbor's two-story home. From the second floor, the Plumbs watched as their home flooded and neighbors were rescued by helicopters and boats.

"It's a helpless feeling," Nathan said. "The water gets closer and there's literally nothing you can do."

When the water finally receded, Steven couldn't believe how much had come into their home.

"I thought if it got inside, it'd be a few inches, not 2 feet," Steven said.

Gone were the boys' bar mitzvah photos, Tammy's childhood pictures and negatives of photographs that Steven took for his high school yearbook. Heirlooms from Tammy's aunt. A piano from one of Steven's uncles, handed down through the generations.

"We hope to restore it, but I don't know if we can," Tammy said of

the piano, stranded inside their gutted home.

When Steven Plumb reached the synagogue's reception hall, hundreds of worshippers — wearing kippah head coverings and tallit prayer shawls — were gathering for Rabbi Barry Gelman's sermon.

Gelman, whose home was flooded, stood on a makeshift bimah platform in the middle of the reception hall, freshly patched with 4 feet of new drywall. Floodwater had claimed the main prayer rooms and classrooms, destroying hundreds of religious texts and items. The congregation now relies on donated books and shawls.

After the Torah was read and prayers were recited, Steven returned to his two-bedroom, two-bathroom apartment where Tammy was preparing to host 17 friends for Shabbat lunch.

It was a tight squeeze, but they made do with folding tables and chairs. As guests wandered in, kids on the sofa played mahjong, a game they learned from a neighbor while cooped up for three days without power and running water.

It's important to remain hospitable, following Jewish tradition, Steven said. He recalled the biblical story of Abraham, who three days after his ritual circumcision welcomed guests at his tent in the middle of the desert.

"He immediately got up to be hospitable, leaving God to tend to his guests," Steven said. "That's how important hospitality is to us."

The meal was uniquely Jewish and Texan: Challah bread, broken over red wine, followed by beef and chicken fajitas cooked over an apartment grill that Steven sterilized with aluminum foil and high heat.

Tammy misses her old kitchen. With two sets of sinks, dishwashers and refrigerators and several sets of cutlery, it was easy to prevent milk and meat from mixing, per kosher rules. After Harvey, Steven and Tammy watched as that dream kitchen was pulled out one piece at a time and carried to the curb.

Steven and Tammy Plumb bought their midcentury modern

home shortly before Tropical Storm Allison in 2001. Though just two blocks away from Brays Bayou, the single-story home was spared the widespread flooding.

The four-bedroom, four-bathroom home was a good size for their growing family and a short drive to Tammy's job in the Texas Medical Center. Most importantly, it was within walking distance to their synagogue and near everything in their Jewish community.

Since Harvey, they have moved in with friends and changed apartments twice. They've decided to move out of Meyerland.

There's a buyer lined up to purchase their home "as is." The contract just needs Steven and Tammy's signature, but they couldn't make themselves sign it. Not yet, at least.

"Rationally it's the right thing to do, but emotionally it's hard to do," Steven said. "This home is the only one my kids know."

Steven tries to go by there once a week, typically after work.

Floodlights illuminating homes up and down the street belie the fact that only two of some 20 families on the block have moved back in.

Every week, Steven notices a few more for-sale signs in debris-strewn lawns. Other neighbors are rebuilding. Most are in limbo as they wait for insurance money to come in and the government to mitigate the flood risk.

The Plumbs hope to buy or build an elevated home in Willow Meadows. It'll be closer to synagogue but farther from their friends and neighbors in Meyerland. And it probably won't flood, Tammy said.

"We moved in with a flood," she said. "And we're moving out with a flood."

The conversation over Shabbat lunch quickly turned to Harvey, and the city's plans to purchase flooded homes and convert them to green space. Good intentions aside, buyouts would change the character of the Jewish community in Meyerland, Steven said.

"I don't think buyouts are the solution," he said. "Lifting is the solution. I think it would cost less to lift up homes. Then you would be preserving our community."

Dr. Jeff Morgan, a heart surgeon at the Texas Medical Center, agreed.

"This is our community. Our synagogue is here," Morgan said. "We need to build up to the appropriate height."

Preserving the Jewish community is paramount as families begin to rebuild, Steven said. As homes are renovated or replaced with more expensive ones, Steven fears young families looking to practice their faith could be priced out.

"You need economic diversity," he said. "You need young families to move here; otherwise, we will wither away."

As an afternoon sun shone through apartment windows that overlook Brays Bayou, Steven noted that construction crews have been working since Harvey to widen the channel.

"It should have been done 10 years ago," he said as he began clearing the tables.

Yet Harvey has drawn the community closer together.

There have been donations big and small. A kosher food truck pulled up in Meyerland, feeding workers free meals for a month. Cups and food warmers arrived from around the country.

More than 12,000 donors, from all 50 states and around the world, have helped the Jewish Federation of Greater Houston raise more than \$17 million toward its \$30 million goal for Harvey relief. Donations included a \$1 million gift from the state of Israel.

Nathan, president of a student club called Making a Difference, helped coordinate a school fundraiser that generated \$25,000 in online donations.

"You appreciate the residents of the Jewish community and the incredible amount of support," Tammy said. "It may be hard for others to understand, but that's what keeps us here."

Information from: Houston Chronicle, <http://www.houston-chronicle.com>

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The Lasso

By SOPHIE DOMINGUEZ

BSHS Journalism
It has been a slow week here at BSHS as we prepare for the holiday break.

Steer and Lady Steer basketball were scheduled to play last night, however, due to a scheduling conflict, the Lady Steers were able to garner much needed rest. They will play Ira Friday in Ira.

Steer Basketball played a home game last night against Greenwood. JV took a tough loss 49-38 against a tough Rangers team.

Varsity also fell short 77-66.

"We played hard but we didn't get the win," sophomore Abel Clark said.

Despite a rough start to the season, Clark said the team is growing together, which is a hope-

ful sign for the Steers going forward.

Boys basketball will be playing in Seminole Friday. Freshman will start at 4:30 with JV and Varsity following.

Seniors voted for senior superlatives yesterday. Results will be released in January via the Corral Online app for iPhones and Androids.

BSHS is working diligently to prepare for the end of the semester. Finals begin next week and students and staff have already begun studying. Please see the final exam schedule for more information.

As the semester comes to a close, this will be the final edition of the Lasso until January 10. BSHS Journalism wishes everyone a great holiday season with family and friends.

Academic Star Student of the Week

Tyler McFall

Coahoma High School

Tyler McFall is a senior at Coahoma High School who is always willing to share his musical talents to help the community from playing the National Anthem at football game to performing music during the Veterans Day parade.

McFall is a drum major with the Big Red Band. He was named to All-State band in 2017 where he placed fifth chair. Last Saturday, he was named to All-Region band and earned first chair and has qualified for area contest. Besides music, McFall is involved in competitive powerlifting and golf. He was named Golf MVP and Outstanding Student at Coahoma High School.

McFall is the son of Erinn and Greg Moore. Following graduation, he plans to attend the University of North Texas in Denton and major in music performance and music education.



Congratulations, Tyler!

Missing West Texas woman found slain in dumpster, 1 arrested

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — Police say a West Texas woman reported missing has been found slain in an Odessa trash bin and her boyfriend's roommate is charged with her death.

Police say 22-year-old Kevin Lee Roberts of Odessa was being held Wednesday on a murder charge after his arrest near Weatherford, nearly 300 miles (482 kilometers) away.

Roberts was located Tuesday night driving a car belonging to the victim's boyfriend, who hours earlier reported her missing.

Officers interviewed Roberts, then found the stabbed body of 21-year-old Ashley Williams in a dumpster.

No possible motive was released. Online records didn't immediately list bond or an attorney representing Roberts, who's also charged with unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Odessa police on Tuesday arrested the victim's boyfriend on unrelated charges in a child sexual assault investigation.

DHS secretary: Border wall would help ease 'national crisis'

HIDALGO, Texas (AP) — The new head of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security says she hopes construction on a border wall will begin soon.

Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen made the remarks Wednesday while standing in front of the existing border fence north of the U.S.-Mexico border

in Texas. She said she didn't know when the government could start building. Border wall prototypes are being tested in San Diego.

A \$1.6 billion proposal to fund 60 miles (97 kilometers) in Texas has stalled in Congress.

Nielsen says the U.S. immigration system faces a "national crisis" that also requires changes to reduce the number of asylum claims made by people entering the country and to speed up deportations.

Nielsen spoke Tuesday in Austin, where she criticized so-called sanctuary cities and credited Texas officials for working with immigration authorities.

Funeral held in San Antonio for slain San Marcos officer

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A Texas police officer who was fatally shot last week was remembered as a compassionate man who loved being a police officer and a father at his funeral Wednesday.

Kenneth Copeland, who was a San Marcos officer, was killed Dec. 4 while serving a warrant on a domestic violence suspect.

A friend of Copeland's, Jeff Caldwell, told mourners at the Community Bible Church in San Antonio that Copeland was an "amazing man."

"His smile was larger than life," said Caldwell, who added, "Ken loved his boys and he loved being a dad."

He said that Copeland, an avid collector of a variety of items including Coca-Cola memorabilia, was always

looking for a way to connect with other people.

"If he saw that you were hungry, he'd feed you," Caldwell said.

A procession of emergency vehicles escorted Copeland's body from a funeral home in San Marcos to the church about 50 miles (80 kilometers) away.

Copeland, 58, had been with the San Marcos Police Department for 19 years. He is survived by his wife and four sons — 13-year-old twins and 10-year-old twins.

Jefferson Davis Park in Fort Worth to be renamed

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — Jefferson Davis Park in Fort Worth is set to get a new name.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reports that the City Council voted 6-3 Tuesday night to rename it Parque

Unidad/Unity Park.

The new name was recommended by the park board.

The 8.6-acre park is in a predominantly Hispanic neighborhood.

Jefferson Davis Park was named in 1923 after the president of the Confederacy.

The park board recommended Unity Park after an online petition signed by thousands seeking a change was brought to its attention. The petition was started amid a national movement to remove Confederate statues and monuments.

Councilwoman Ann Zadeh, whose district the park is located in, said the neighborhood is ready to have a park reflect where they live.

Richard Zavala, the city's park and recreation director, says the park will be changed within 30 days.

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- 2 CHE__ERS
- 3 PI__-UP STI__S
- 4 TI__-TA__-TO__
- 5 OL__AID
- 6 C__E__S
- 7 C__INE__E CHEC__E__S

Answers: 1) Go Fish, 2) Checkers, 3) Pick-Up Sticks, 4) Tic-Tac-Toe, 5) Old Maid, 6) Chess, 7) Chinese Checkers

What Rhymes with...



List 10 words that rhyme with "game."

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2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

Some answers: aim, came, dame, fame, flame, lame, name, shame, tame

Fact or Fiction?

Playground Game Challenge

When the bell rings and kids head outside for recess, some go directly to the jungle gym, while others run around and play games. Here are some questions about some popular playground games. How many can you answer correctly?



- 1) In Red Rover, players make human chains. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 2) In Hide and Seek, players hide from each other. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 3) In Simon Says, players follow instructions. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 4) In Hot Potato, players pass around a real hot potato. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 5) In Duck Duck Goose, players chase each other. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 6) In Shadow Tag, players chase each other at night. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 7) In Freeze Tag, players freeze and unfreeze each other. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 8) In Hop Scotch, players hop along a grid. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 9) In Four Square, players dodge balls. **Fact or Fiction?**
- 10) In Marco Polo, players try to tag each other in the mud. **Fact or Fiction?**

Answers: 1) Fact, 2) Fact, 3) Fact, 4) Fiction, 5) Fact, 6) Fiction, 7) Fact, 8) Fact, 9) Fiction, 10) Fiction, Marco Polo is played in the water

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Q: Why couldn't people play cards on the ark?

A: Because they were sitting on the deck.

Q: Why is it hard to play cards in the jungle?

A: There are too many cheetahs!

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It's nice to win, but not all games have a winner. Take the game of Telephone, for example. No one wins. The fun comes in how a message is passed around.

To play Telephone, players must sit in a circle. The first player thinks of a good message and whispers it in the next player's ear. Play continues in this way until everyone has had a turn. The last player to hear the message repeats it out loud.

In most cases, the message given by the last player is not the message given by the first player. As the message is passed around the circle, it often changes, sometimes in a big way. The message, "Mary has a black and white dog named Misty" could very well end up, "Marty has a black and brown cat named Hissy." The longer the message, the harder it is for players to remember and tell it to each other correctly.

Evans leads No. 24 Texas Tech over Kennesaw State 82-53



Texas Tech's Zach Smith (11) dunks the ball during an NCAA college basketball game against Kennesaw State, Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2017, in Lubbock, Texas.

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — Texas Tech took advantage of another chance to get the school's first win as a ranked team in almost eight years.

Coach Chris Beard is looking for more after Keenan Evans scored 16 points in an 82-53 victory over Kennesaw State on Wednesday night.

"I respect the question, but rankings didn't really play into this," Beard said. "We've got to get the program to the point we're not talking about being ranked. We're talking about, 'What are we ranked?'"

"We've got to get the program to the point we're not making the tournament but winning the tournament."

The Red Raiders were ranked 22nd two weeks ago when they lost to Seton Hall at Madison Square Garden and fell out of the Top 25. They returned after handing then-No. 22 Nevada its first loss last week.

Texas Tech (8-1) rolled to a 42-19 half and a 42-19 shooting and outrebounding them 26-10. Kennesaw State (1-8) shot 33 percent for the game.

Tommy Hamilton IV and Zach Smith scored 11 points each and Justin Gray added 10 for the Red Raiders, whose previous win as a ranked team was against UTEP on Jan. 3, 2010.

James Scott scored 19 points for the Owls and Tyler Hooker had 14, going 9 of 11 on free throws. Kennesaw State made more free throws (20) than field goals (14).

"It was everything I expected," Kennesaw State coach Al Skinner said. "They defend well. They've got depth. They're physical at every position. Because of that, it's going to allow them to be in a lot of basketball games."

Texas Tech entered the rankings last month for the first time since the 2009-10 season, when the Red Raiders started 9-0, were ranked as high as 16th and reached the quarterfinals of the NIT.

Kennesaw State went almost 10 minutes without a field goal in the first half and trailed 34-9 when that drought ended on a jumper by Scott with 4:26 left before halftime.

"I feel like this game was a validation game," Gray said. "Every

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No. 9 Texas A&M coasts past Savannah State 113-66

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Texas A&M was bigger, stronger and deeper than Savannah State, so the ninth-ranked Aggies' inside dominance came as no surprise.

A&M also beat the Tigers at the outside shooting on which Savannah State relies, and that combination produced a 113-66 blowout Wednesday night.

The Aggies (9-1) broke the school record with 16 3-pointers and scored their most points in nearly 30 years, out-shooting the team that leads the NCAA in 3-point attempts per game. A&M set school marks for 3-pointers made and attempted (38), topping the mark of 14 3s against Southeastern Louisiana in 2015 and 33 attempts against Cal Poly, also in 2015.

It was the most points by the Aggies since a 114-90 victory over Florida International in 1989.

"They really packed the paint," said A&M center Tyler Davis, who recorded a double-double before half-time with 11 points and 13 rebounds. "They were trying not to let us kill them inside, but our guards

handled it really, really well. They made shots. It was fun watching the guys get up and down and have some highlight plays, some cool dunks."

Davis was on pace for a potential 20-20 night, finishing with 17 rebounds and 13 points in just 24 minutes. D.J. Hogg led seven A&M scorers in double figures, scoring 18 points and hitting 5 of 9 from beyond the arc.

Javaris Jenkins led Savannah State (3-9) with 18 points.

A&M had a size advantage at every position and pounded the Tigers on the boards, winning the rebounding battle 65-35. The Aggies dominated despite not having sophomore forward Robert Williams, the team's leading rebounder on the season (10.4). Williams, a projected lottery pick, missed the game after suffering a concussion in practice Monday.

"I know they were short one guy, but they looked real good," Savannah State coach Horace Broadnax said. "They're in the Top 10 right now, so I believe it's kind of hard for them to get up for teams like us. I think

they're going to compete extremely well against the Kentuckys and the Floridas of the (SEC) league."

The Tigers stayed within striking distance for most of the first half by hitting 9 of 23 3-point attempts. A&M ended the half on a 10-0 run to lead 52-33, and Savannah State never got closer than 19 points in the second half.

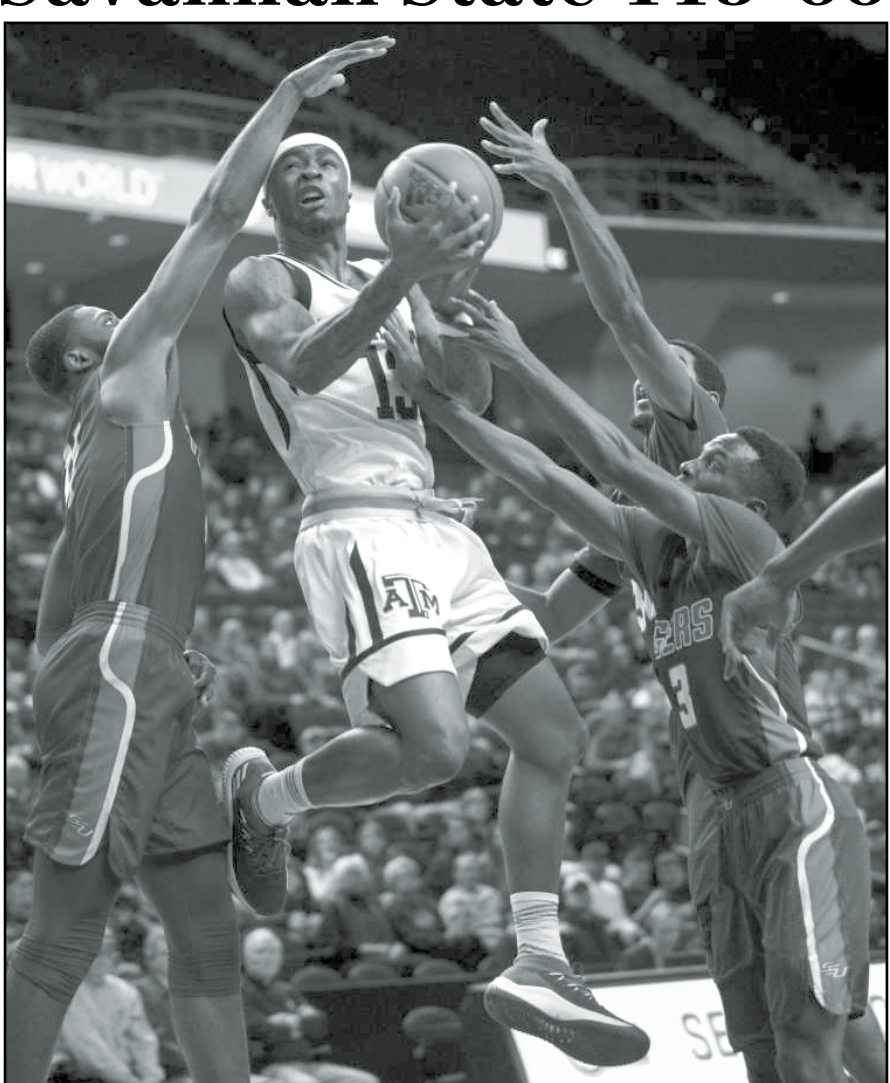
A&M limited the Tigers to 3 of 17 from long distance in the second half.

"I thought we did a better job of contesting their 3s in the second half," A&M coach Billy Kennedy said. "You've got to get used to their style because they play so different, so up-tempo."

BIG PICTURE
Savannah State: The Tigers continued to give up a lot of points, allowing more than 100 for the seventh time in 12 games, all losses.

Texas A&M: The Aggies not only won easily, as expected, but they were able to get everybody involved. A&M finished with 32 assists on 45 baskets, which tied for third on the school list for assists in a game.

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Texas A&M guard Duane Wilson (13) drives the lane against Savannah State forward John Grant Jr. (4), guard Jahir Cabeza (30) and guard Zach Sellers (3) during the first half of an NCAA college basketball game Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2017, in College Station, Texas.

AP photo

Atkins leads No. 8 Texas past Northwestern State, 68-44



Northwestern State forward Jocelyn Scott (23) is blocked by Texas forward Audrey-Ann Caron-Goudreau (31) as she tries to score during the first half of an NCAA college basketball game, Wednesday, Dec. 13, 2017, in Austin, Texas.

By **MARK ROSNER**
Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas coach Karen Aston believes her team has hit a bit of a lull — and that Ariel Atkins is an exception.

"Ariel doesn't have lulls," Aston said. Atkins had 13 points, seven rebounds and three steals in only 21 minutes and No. 8 Texas beat Northwestern State 68-44 on Wednesday night.

The senior guard converted all six of her shots from the field for the Longhorns (8-1). Center Jatarie White added 15 points in 19 minutes, and Jada Underwood had 11 points.

Texas led by 10 midway through the second quarter. Then the Longhorns made a 26-5 push that stretched into the third quarter.

Aston said the downturn began about week ago in practice and manifested during an 82-75 loss at then-No. 11 Tennessee on Sunday. That condition won't work with No. 12 Florida State coming to Austin on Sunday and Big 12 competition set to begin later in December.

"We've got to figure out how to flip the switch

again and have a little more urgency," Aston said.

Atkins believes these things tend to happen in December while players are studying for and taking final exams. Younger players seem to be affected most, Atkins said.

"We're a young team, and unfortunately we don't know how to bounce back when something kind of hits us," Atkins said.

Freshman Jha'ne Wheeler led Northwestern State with a season-best 15 points. Wheeler had four 3-point baskets after hitting six in eight games before facing Texas. Nautica Grant scored 10 points.

Texas played without guard Brooke McCarty, the reigning Big 12 player of the year and the Longhorns' second-leading scorer behind Atkins. McCarty has a lingering left hip injury; she hit 2 of 15 shots against Tennessee. Her status is listed as day-to-day.

Northwestern State (4-5) was without starting guard Jasmyn Johnson. She's under

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Contract Bridge

By Steve Becker

Bridge on a high level

East dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH			
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♥ Q 10			
♦ Q 10 8 3			
♣ A K J 10 9			
WEST			
♠ 6			
♥ 9 7 6 5 3			
♦ A 7 6 4 2			
♣ 8 5			
EAST			
♠ 5 3			
♥ K J 8 4 2			
♦ K 9 5			
♣ Q 6 2			
SOUTH			
♠ K J 10 9 8 7 4 2			
♥ A			
♦ J			
♣ 7 4 3			

The bidding:
East South West North
Pass 4♠ Pass 6♠

Opening lead — three of hearts.

In today's deal, declarer missed an opportunity to greatly increase his chances of making a slam and went down as a result.

South was in six spades, and West led a heart. Declarer won with the ace and drew trumps. West discarded the seven of diamonds on the second spade. South next cashed the ace of clubs, ruffed the queen of hearts, then played a club to the nine. East took his queen and returned a diamond, and South went down one.

You could say the outcome was unlucky — after all, West might have held the queen of clubs instead of East — and we certainly wouldn't

quarrel with that. Nevertheless, it's clear that declarer did not give himself the best chance. Essentially, he staked the outcome entirely on West holding the queen of clubs, roughly a 50-50 proposition. But he could have increased his chances substantially by adopting a difference approach.

Suppose he had led a trump to dummy at trick two and returned a low diamond. How many Easts, seeing only dummy, would play the king at this point? Not many, we'd say. And if they didn't, South could then make the slam without the slightest trouble.

After the jack lost to West's ace, declarer could later ruff out East's king, establishing a diamond trick in dummy on which to shed his potential club loser.

The great advantage of this line of play is that it costs nothing to try it. The diamond lead from dummy at trick three gives East a chance to go wrong if he has either the ace or the king. If East follows low, the contract becomes a practical certainty (because if West started with the A-K of diamonds, he would surely have led one of them originally).

At the same time, South does not relinquish his chance to fall back on the club finesse if need be. Attacking diamonds before clubs is therefore the superior approach because it gives declarer two chances to make the slam instead of just one.

Tomorrow: Test your play.
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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



Neptune Offers Hopeful Holiday Imaginings

The moon and Neptune open windows of imagination. This time of year, it can be a challenge for some to use our imaginations hopefully. If the holiday blues strike, then remember that the shadows of the spirit can only occur because there's a light source nearby. Ask for the help necessary to move in the direction of levity and bright thoughts.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Anything and everything can be taken to extremes, including the smallest things. It's why you're very, very careful about what you get started these days. When in doubt, toe the straight clean line.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Something's not right in the setup. You can either go along with the program or raise your hand. "There are only two mistakes one can make along the road to truth: not going all the way, and not starting." -- Buddha

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Identity is more fluid and nuanced than most people think. But as the twins of the zodiac, you already understand that each person is often a subtly different person for every fresh situation.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Invisible cords entwine your soul with the soul of each person you love. Today, you can send and receive messages through these cords regardless of where the other person is in the world or beyond.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Even though you're not entirely happy in every moment with where you are, in many ways the setting of the day will feel ideal. Windows sparkling with promise, decorated doors of opportunity, intrigue at every corner — it's a

a very sweet, shared part of life passing through your fingers like a handful of sugar.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll become increasingly self-sufficient as this solar return progresses. A kindly stranger comes into the picture in early 2018 who can forward your interests.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 14). Your attuning with nature will be more than a hobby; it will be a path to physical vitality, better relationships and there may even be professional facets. There's a fun social development at the start of 2018 that will help your family. Travel in March; invest in April. Perks of friendship will enhance the summer. Aries and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 20, 1, 28 and 33.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION: "More on my girlfriend, the Scorpio Druid. I get the feeling she is making up the answers to a lot of the questions I've been asking her about being a druid. As you suggested, I did not laugh at any of what she said or treat it like a 'joke.' But is this whole druid thing real, or is it just something she's doing to seem different and mysterious? (I don't want to offend her by asking her that directly.) Will it wear off in a few years? She's only 22. I'm just curious because, if we married, I doubt that I would like our children to be raised druid." Signed, Your friend, the Taurus with a Scorpio druid girlfriend.

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Level: Intermediate

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:
Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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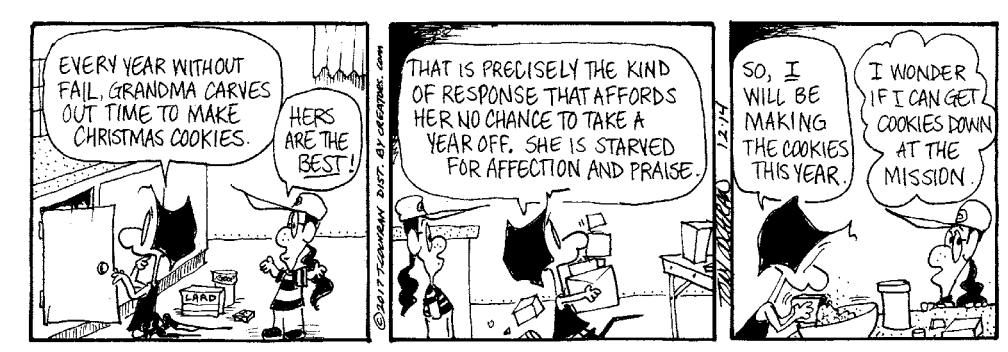
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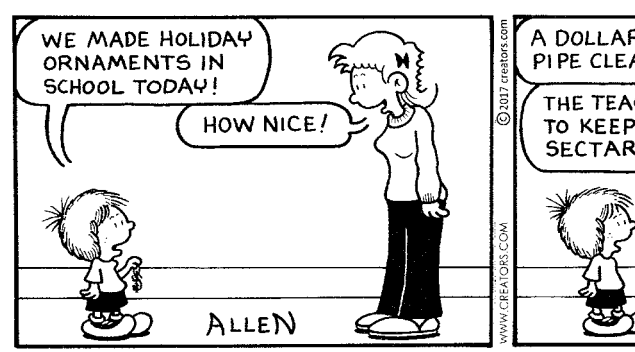
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ONE BIG HAPPY



NEST HEAD



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This Date In History

for their rendezvous with the command module.

In 1981, Israel annexed the Golan Heights, which it had seized from Syria in 1967.

In 1986, the experimental aircraft Voyager, piloted by Dick Rutan and Jeana Yeager, took off from Edwards Air Force Base in California on the first non-stop, non-refueled flight around the world.

In 1996, a freighter lost power on the Mississippi River and barreled into the Riverwalk complex in New Orleans; miraculously, no one was killed.

Ten years ago: A man accused of being the Phoenix Baseline Killer was sentenced to 438 years in prison for the sexual assaults of two sisters. (Mark Goudeau was tried in 2011 for the slayings of eight women and a man in 2005-2006; he was convicted and sentenced to death.)

Five years ago: A triumphant North Korea staged a mass rally of soldiers and civilians to glorify the country's young ruler, Kim Jong Un, two days after the successful launch of a satellite into orbit.

One year ago: President-elect Donald Trump convened a summit at Trump Tower for nearly a dozen tech leaders whose industry largely supported Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton; the CEOs included Apple's Tim Cook, Google's Eric Schmidt, Amazon's Jeff Bezos and Tesla's Elon Musk. Donald Trump announced his selection of former campaign rival Rick Perry to be secretary of energy. Yahoo said it believed hackers had stolen data from more than one billion user accounts in Aug. 2013 (in Oct. 2017, Yahoo raised that figure to 3 billion). Bernard Fox, the mustachioed actor known to TV viewers as Dr. Bombay on "Bewitched" and Col. Crittendon on "Hogan's Heroes," died at a Los Angeles-area hospital at age 89.

Today's Birthdays: Singer-actress Abbe Lane is

Rock singer-musician Mike Scott (The Waterboys) is 59. Singer-musician Peter "Spider" Stacy (The Pogues) is 59. Actress Cynthia Gibb is 54. Actress Nancy Valen is 52. Actor Archie Kao is 48. Actress Natascha McElhone is 48. Actress-comedian Michaela Watkins is 46. Actress-comedian Miranda Hart is 45. Rhythm-and-blues singer Brian Dalrymple (Soul For Real) is 42. Actress KaDee Strickland is 42. Actress Tammy Blanchard is 41. Actress Sophie Monk is 38. Actor-singer-musician Jackson Rathbone is 33. Actress Vanessa Hudgens is 29. Rock/R&B singer Tori Kelly is 25.

Thought for Today:
 "No one feels another's grief, no one understands another's joy. People imagine that they can reach one another. In reality they only pass each other by."
 Franz Schubert
 Austrian composer (1797-1828).

Newsday Crossword

CONCEALMENT by Mark McClain Edited by Stanley Newman www.stanxwords.com

- ACROSS**
 - 1 Bridges in films
 - 5 Acted out without words
 - 10 Tapers off
 - 14 Henry Ford contemporary
 - 15 Clamorous, as a crowd
 - 16 Front of a ship
 - 17 Send forth
 - 18 Jazz genre
 - 19 South Asian garment
 - 20 Wrangler's accessories
 - 23 Pope during WWII
 - 24 Charitable ones
 - 25 Pompous one
 - 28 Swim meet outfits
 - 31 Spare expenses
 - 33 Solemn assurance
 - 34 Cuban sandwich ingredient
 - 38 CinemaScope production
 - 42 Shangri-la
 - 43 Have control of
 - 44 Major olive oil producer
 - 45 IDs of a sort
 - 48 Arles article
 - 49 Groundhog Day concern
 - 53 Bygone bird
 - 55 Volume with a jacket
 - 59 The rain in Spain
 - 60 All-important
 - 61 Most of 2017's pennies
 - 64 Deep red
 - 65 Bring joy to
 - 66 Island near Corsica
- DOWN**
 - 67 Paella veggies
 - 68 Trip odometer button
 - 69 Luminary
 - 11 Encouraging word
 - 12 Cornfield pest
 - 13 Sandwich staple
 - 21 Thin streaks
 - 22 Acapulco article
 - 25 "... even ___ speak"
 - 26 Losing streak
 - 27 Debate position
 - 29 Recreational calendar entry
 - 30 Female rabbit
 - 32 Blokes
 - 34 Home for a houseplant
 - 35 Running track, e.g.
 - 36 Miff
 - 37 Critical elements
 - 39 Boast rudely about
 - 40 It may be under the sofa
 - 41 Botch
 - 45 Bugs Bunny address
 - 46 Mag rep's quote
 - 47 Piece of stemware
 - 49 Pointed, as a comment
 - 50 The ___, Netherlands
 - 51 Possession of the Netherlands
 - 52 Decisive times
 - 54 Exudes
 - 56 Very unpleasant
 - 57 Flight data
 - 58 Symbol of Scotland
 - 62 League often seen on ESPN
 - 63 Big Price is Right prize

Answer to previous puzzle

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TECH

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time you get ranked, you have to validate it. I think we did that, and everyone had fun."

BIG PICTURE

Kennesaw State: Texas Tech was the latest opponent in a tough nonconfer-

ence schedule that included Butler, Florida State and Washington. The Owls hope it will prepare them to be competitive in the Atlantic Sun Conference.

Texas Tech: The Red Raiders knew the game against Nevada was a chance to redeem themselves for the loss to Seton Hall and have a chance to return to the rankings. Now that

they've done it, they have got a good shot at being in the poll when Big 12 play starts.

NCAA MEMORY

Beard was looking forward to his matchup with Skinner, who was coach at Boston College when he beat Bob Knight-led Texas Tech in the first round of the NCAA Tournament in 2007. Beard was an assistant

to Knight that season.

UP NEXT

Kennesaw State: Bethune-Cookman at home Saturday.

Texas Tech: Rice on Saturday at Lubbock Municipal Coliseum, the first game on its old home court since 1999 as what's being called "Throwback Night."

TEXAS

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concussion protocol.

BIG PICTURE

Northwestern State: The Lady Demons are 0-3 against teams from the power-five conferences, losing to Mississippi by 31 points and Oklahoma State by 34 in November. They face another prospective tough one at TCU on Sunday. Coach Jordan Dupuy said those games are just a fact of life for his program because of the payouts it receives as the road team. He also believes the Lady Demons can, and have, learned from these games. For example, a goal was to limit Texas to fewer than 80 points by controlling the tempo. Before Wednesday, the Longhorns averaged 90.8.

"Good implementation of our game plan," Dupuy said. "I don't believe in a lot of moral victories, but there are a lot of positives we can pull from that."

Texas: Whipping an overmatched Northwestern State team would not seem like a

sufficient way for the Longhorns to regain whatever mojo they had before losing to then No. 11 Tennessee 82-75 on Sunday. But the good news for the Longhorns is that they have a legitimate chance for recovery when they play host to No. 12 Florida State on Sunday.

POLL IMPLICATIONS

The Longhorns fell from No. 2 to 8 this week after their loss at then-No. 11 Tennessee on Sunday. Their poll position on Monday will largely be determined after they face No. 12 Florida State this coming Sunday.

MORE MISSING PLAYERS

In addition to McCarty, Texas was without Jordan Hosey, a key reserve forward who suffered a concussion against Tennessee. Hosey's status is listed the same as McCarty day-to-day.

Northwestern State: At TCU on Sunday.

Texas: Hosts No. 12 Florida State on Sunday. The Longhorns beat FSU in double-overtime last season in Tallahassee.

Former Atlanta Falcons, Texas great Tommy Nobis dies at 74

By **PAUL NEWBERRY**

AP Sports Writer

ATLANTA (AP) — Tommy Nobis, the first player drafted by the expansion Atlanta Falcons and a hard-hitting middle linebacker who was never fully recognized for his talents on a struggling franchise that failed to make the playoffs during his long career, died Wednesday. He was 74.



Nobis

The team said he died at his suburban Atlanta home after an extended illness with his wife of more than 50 years, Lynn, at his side. Nobis was among hundreds of ex-NFL players who struggled with physical and cognitive ailments after their careers ended, having played in an era when no one paid much attention to the lingering impact of concussions nor thought twice about groggily going back on the field after a shot to the head.

When the Falcons reached the Super Bowl last season, his wife told the Houston Chronicle she wasn't sure if Nobis had any idea what his former team had accomplished.

"We've told him the Falcons are in the Super Bowl, and we wear red and black," Lynn Nobis said.

"But it doesn't seem to click. I don't know if he understands."

A native of San Antonio who sported a red-headed crew cut, Nobis starred on both sides of the line at the University of Texas, where his No. 60 is one of six numbers retired by the school. Despite being slowed by a knee injury during his senior season, he won the Maxwell Award as the nation's best all-around player and the Outland Trophy as top lineman. He also finished seventh in the Heisman Trophy balloting — highest among those who played defense — and appeared on the cover of Life and Sports Illustrated.

"The best defender in college football," SI declared.

He was drafted first overall by the Falcons and also picked by his home-state Houston Oilers of the American Football League, leading to a spirited bidding war that drew interest as far away as outer space. While orbiting the Earth in his Gemini spacecraft, astronaut Frank Borman — whose two sons were ball boys for the Oilers — urged Nobis to sign with Houston.

"I hope he comes here," Borman said as his spaceship flew over Houston during its 59th orbit.

Nobis wound up signing with Atlanta, becoming the first player in franchise history and a beloved figure who would forever be known as "Mr. Falcon." He

earned NFL rookie of the year honors and the first of five Pro Bowl berths in 1966, the launch of an 11-year career spent entirely with the Falcons.

No. 60 has never been worn by any other Atlanta player. Nobis was among the initial inductees into the team's "Ring of Honor" in 2004.

Former Falcons coach Dan Reeves, who entered the league a year ahead of Nobis and became good friends, called him "the best middle linebacker I ever played against in my time" — an era that included Hall of Famers such as Dick Butkus and Ray Nitschke.

"Tommy could play the run and the pass," Reeves said. "Butkus was really good against the run, but Tommy could do both really good. He never came out of the game. Nitschke was good, but he was with a great team."

Nobis never got the chance to play for a great NFL team, which is likely the main reason he was passed over for the Pro Football Hall of Fame. The Falcons had only two winning seasons in his career and only came close to making the playoffs in 1973.

"The fact that he's not in is really a tragedy," Reeves said. "But they go so much by the team, by winning. They just didn't have that ability being an expansion team. ... He wasn't surrounded by a lot of great players."

A&M

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They were two shy of the mark set against TCU in 1996 and Missouri-Kansas City in 1997. The Aggies used 13 players, with none of the starters on the court during the final 8 minutes of the game.

HE SAID IT

"I graduated from Florida State, so I'm sorry that ya'll got Jimbo Fisher." —Broadnax, lamenting A&M's ability to lure the football coach with a national title away from the Seminoles.

INJURY UPDATE

Williams is expected to return to the lineup for the Aggies' next game against Northern Kentucky on Tuesday. A&M's leading rebounder did not play against Savannah State because of a concussion.

STAT OF THE NIGHT

The Aggies grabbed 26 offensive rebounds, which led to 35 second-chance points. A&M also got 43 points off the bench.

UP NEXT

Savannah State: The Tigers will complete a two-game road swing through Texas against ranked teams when they play at No. 21 Baylor on Dec. 17.

Texas A&M: The Aggies will continue a stretch of four consecutive home games when they face Northern Kentucky on Dec. 19. A&M will complete its nonconference schedule by playing Buffalo on Dec. 21. The Aggies will open SEC action at Alabama on Dec. 30.

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