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## County commissioners enact burn ban

By **ROGER CLINE**  
 Staff Writer



Hooper

Howard County is now back under a burn ban.

At their meeting Wednesday afternoon, Howard County Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the ban requested by Howard County Volunteer Fire Chief Mitchell Hooper.

"I'd like to enact a burn ban," Hooper told the commissioners during the meeting. "I know there's still plenty of moisture in the ground, but with it being winter and the grass being dormant, there's still the potential for wildfires."

Hooper said careless behavior can still

cause fires even in the winter months.

"We had one (fire) the last wind storm we had, it was probably 100 yards from a barbed-wire fence that went into some heavy brush and canyon and stuff," Hooper said. "Nobody was out there, it was some oil company that just lit them off, and they didn't stay out there."

The newly enacted burn ban will last 90 days, ending in March.

In other business, commissioners heard a report on preparations for the Funtastic Fourth Independence Day celebration, held annually in downtown Big Spring. Some commissioners had misgivings about the street closures for the celebration limiting

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## Big Spring's Rotary Clubs name December students of the month



HERALD photo/Roger Cline; Courtesy photo

Above, Forsan High School senior Price Tarbet, second from left, was named Student of the Month by the Greater Big Spring Rotary Club at the club's Friday lunch meeting. Price is active in band, speech/debate, and drama, and plans to pursue entrepreneurship as a career. Shown with Price are (left to right) Coahoma ISD Superintendent Dr. Amy Jacobs, mother Melissa Tarbet, Forsan High School Principal Kenny Lowery, and Greater Big Spring Rotary Club President George Bancroft.

Below, the Big Spring Rotary Club's Student of the Month is Tristian Trinidad from Marcy Elementary. From left to right are Paciencia J. Fabin, Tristian's grandmother; Trent Trinidad, his father; and Lilli Trinidad, his mother; Dana Pannell, principal of Marcy Elementary; Thomas Padilla, Rotary Club Vocational Director; and Hardy Wilkerson, Rotary President. Tristian is shown in front of his mother, Lilli Trinidad.



## Silver bells and Red Kettles



Courtesy photo

Members of the Big Spring Rotary Club volunteered their time over the weekend to ring the bell for the Salvation Army's annual Christmas fundraiser. The Red Kettle Challenge is still going strong, and there is still time to visit the volunteers outside of Wal-mart with contributions that will go towards local residents in need this holiday season. Photographed from left to right are Nadine Reyes, Hardy Wilkinson, George Leatham and Raul Marquez.

**Big Spring Herald's Christmas Countdown**

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## Searching for Christmas

By **AMBER MANSFIELD**  
 Staff Writer

It never fails: Christmas time is whirlwind of activity, parties, programs, travel, and shopping. The First Church of the Nazarene church here in Big Spring wants to do something different this year by inviting everyone to take time to stop for a minute and rediscover Jesus in the midst of this holiday season. They're holding the event, "Searching for Christmas" for the first time this Christmas season.

Searching for Christmas is an interactive walk-through journey in search of the true meaning of Christmas. Those attending the event, scheduled Dec. 21 and 22 from 6 to 8 p.m., can stay after for a winter wonderland experience with free cider, hot chocolate, and treats. This will be a great time to spend with family celebrating what really matters this Christmas.

"Christmas is a special time but it also a busy time. In all the business and busyness of life during this season we can often lose sight of what really matters during Christmas, it happens to all of us," Josh Cisneros, Pastor of NazFamily on Cedar Rd. "The goal of Naz-

Family in Searching for Christmas is to help families rediscover Jesus this Christmas. The interactive walkthrough places families in familiar situations (shopping, holiday parties, traveling, decorating contests) and helps us rediscover the true meaning of Christmas; Jesus our Savior is born.

After the walkthrough, we transformed our courtyard into a winter wonderland where families and friends can enjoy hot cider, hot chocolate, and treats."

Searching for Christmas will be held at 118 Cedar Rd. (New Hope Christian School).

"The NazFamily is hosting this event for the first time. It was our

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## Obituaries

### Thomas "Eston" Hollis



Thomas "Eston" Hollis, 78, died Friday, Dec. 7, 2018. Always knowing the love of Christ, he was a hard worker, kind, gentle and most optimistic husband, father and friend. Born Sept. 27, 1940, to Earl Hollis and Lucille Butler, Eston was raised in Big Spring, Texas. He married the love of his life, Alta Faye Carpenter on May 14, 1965.

Eston graduated high school from Big Spring High furthering his education at Howard Community College. He was a Production Foreman at Fina Oil and Chemical Company, formerly Cosden Oil and Chemical in Big Spring, Texas, retiring after 37 years of hard work and accomplishments. Additionally, he had a passion for dryland cotton farming. Upon retirement, Eston developed a new-found recreation in riverboat cruises.

Eston and Faye moved to San Angelo, Texas, in 2010, to watch their grandchildren grow up, finding a new church home at Southland Baptist Church with many friends.

Survivors include wife Faye Hollis of San Angelo, Texas, daughter Tanya Pfluger and husband Reid of San Angelo, Texas, three grandchildren, Zachary Pfluger of Houston, Texas, Allyson Pfluger of Austin, Texas and Trisha Pfluger of San Angelo, Texas.

He is preceded in death by his parents Earl and Lucille Hollis, brothers James Hollis and Preston Hollis, and son Randell Hollis.

We would like to thank those who took special care of Eston including Dr. Stephen McCloy, Dr. Luis E. Duarte, Dr. David Cummings, Nurse Jared Hamilton, Erica Villarreal, Visiting Angels, and Kindred Hospice.

A Visitation will be held Friday, Dec. 14, 2018, at Harper Funeral Home from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The Funeral Service will take place at 10 a.m., Saturday, Dec. 15, 2018, at Southland Baptist Church with Graveside Service at 2 p.m. at Trinity Memorial Park of Big Spring, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to MD Anderson Cancer Center.

Family and friends can send online condolences at [www.harper-funeralhome.com](http://www.harper-funeralhome.com).

*Paid Obituary*

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

• **MICHAEL RAY MOORE**, 29, of 1302 East Murphy, was arrested on a charge of possession of controlled substance, and on an outstanding warrant.

• **JULIE ANN SHARP**, 42, of 605 Elgin St., was arrested on a charge of violation protective order.

• **ROY PAIZ GARCIA**, 58, of

1801 Johnson St., was arrested on a warrant of driving while license suspended.

• **KAMERON GABRIELLE CANO**, 24, of 1900 Martin Luther King, was arrested on a charge of public intoxication.

• **JUNA INGACIO OCHOA**, 48, of 1101 Lamar, was arrested on a charge of driving while license suspended/invalid.

• **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported on 22nd and Gregg.

• **BURLGARY OF BUILDING** was reported on Exit MM 171 and Old Stuckey.

• **THEFT** was reported in the 200 block of W FM 700, and in the 1000 block of Bluebonnet Ave.

• **DISTURBANCE** was reported in the 3900 block of Hamilton St.

• **FOLLOW UP REPORT** was reported in the 3600 block of W Hwy 80.

## Take Note

• The Big Spring Art Association will have its Christmas Party Saturday, Dec. 15th at 6 p.m. We will be at Ben and Sandee Lockhart's home located at 504 Tubb Loop Road. Anyone interested in art of any kind is welcome to come. Come see what we are all about.

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

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

• Maranatha Baptist Academy, 903 Johnson Big Spring, Texas 432-213-1046, Call today for educational needs. In School, High School graduation, Tutoring, homeschool. We are qualified to help you with your child's education, kindergarten through twelfth grade. Come by or give us a call. Open enrollment.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center Auxiliary is looking for new members. If you have a heart for serving people, have at least four hours a week to spare,

SMMC Auxiliary might be the fit for you. Duties include working in the gift shop, delivering newspapers to inpatients, hospitality services, popcorn and more. To find out more about opportunities available with the SMMC Auxiliary, contact Amy Miramontes at 268-4809 or April Arms at 268-4907.

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

• The Howard County Democrats will meet the second and fourth Monday of each month at 5:30 pm. at the Howard County Democratic Headquarters, 1408 Scurry, behind Prosperity Bank.

• 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 train-

ing 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.

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

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

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## Support Groups

### THURSDAY

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

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

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

• Bring Everyone Into The Zone, or BEITZ Support Group, is a veteran-based peer group. The purpose of the group is to provide peer-to-peer support to service members, veterans and families, especially those suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), military sexual trauma (MST) and other traumatic events in their lives. BEITZ meets every Thursday at 6 p.m. t 501 Birdwell Lane. For more information, email [francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org](mailto:francisco.garza@wtcmhmr.org), or call 432-268-3003.

• GriefShare is a Biblical support group that focuses on helping people who are dealing with a loved one's death. Each DVD session features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories, followed by small group discussion about the topics presented (with workbook support). Meetings are weekly Sept. 13 Dec. 20, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for more information.

### FRIDAY

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

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

### SATURDAY

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

### SUNDAY

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

### MONDAY

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

### TUESDAY

• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinson's 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 at 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.

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

### WEDNESDAY

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

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# As protectors abandon Trump, investigation draws closer



have clouded the public understanding of what occurred and are running head-on into facts agreed to by prosecutors, AMI and Cohen, who pleaded guilty to campaign finance violations and other crimes and was sentenced on Wednesday.

"You now have a second defendant or group of defendants saying that these payments were made for the primary purpose of influencing the election, and that it was done in coordination with Trump and his campaign," said Rick Hasen, an election law expert at the University of California, Irvine.

Trump's first explanation of the payment that would eventually help lead Cohen to a three-year prison sentence came at 35,000 feet over West Virginia.

Returning to Washington on Air Force One, Trump on April 6 for the first time answered questions about the

reports of \$130,000 in hush money paid to porn star Stormy Daniels, issuing a blanket denial to reporters while saying they would "have to ask Michael Cohen."

Three days later, the FBI raided Cohen's office, seizing records on topics including the payment to Daniels. Furious, Trump called the raid a "disgrace" and said the FBI "broke into" his lawyer's office. He also tweeted that "Attorney-client privilege is dead!"

The raid was overseen by the U.S. attorney's office in Manhattan and arose from a referral from special counsel Robert Mueller, who is investigating Russian election interference. At the time, Cohen said he took out a personal line of credit on his home to pay Daniels days before the 2016 election without Trump's knowledge.

Later that month in a free-wheeling "Fox & Friends" interview, Trump acknowledged that Cohen represented him in the "crazy Stormy Daniels deal."

In May, Trump and his attorneys began saying Cohen received a monthly retainer from which he made payments for nondisclosure agreements like the one with Daniels. In a series of tweets, Trump said those agreements are "very common among celebrities and people of wealth" and "this was a private agreement."

People familiar with the investigation say Cohen secretly recorded Trump discussing a potential payment for former Playboy Playmate Karen McDougal two months before the election. On the tape, Cohen is heard saying that he needed to start a company "for the transfer of all of that info regarding our friend David," a possible reference to David

Pecker, Trump's friend and president of AMI.

When Cohen began to discuss financing, Trump interrupted him and asked, "What financing?"

"We'll have to pay," Cohen responded.

Prosecutors announced Wednesday that AMI acknowledged making one of those payments "in concert" with the Trump campaign to protect him from a story that could have hurt his candidacy. The company avoided prosecution under a deal with prosecutors.

In August, Cohen pleaded guilty to campaign finance violations and other charges, saying he and Trump arranged the payment of hush money to Daniels and McDougal to influence the election. That next day, Trump argued that making the payments wasn't a crime and that the matter was a civil dispute, then took a swipe at his former employee.

"If anyone is looking for a good lawyer, I would strongly suggest that you don't retain the services of Michael Cohen!" he tweeted.

Earlier this week, Trump compared his situation to one involving President Barack Obama's 2008 campaign. The Federal Election Commission, which typically handles smaller campaign finance violations, where the actions aren't willful, with civil penalties that are typically fines, docked the Obama campaign \$375,000 for regulatory civil violations. The fines stemmed from the campaign's failure to report a batch of contributions, totaling nearly \$1.9 million, on time in the final days of the campaign.

But legal analysts said the accusations against Trump could amount to a felony because they revolve around an alleged conspiracy to conceal payments from campaign contribution reports - and from voters. It's unclear what federal prosecutors in New York will decide to do if they conclude that there is evidence that Trump himself committed a crime.

The Justice Department, in opinions issued by its Office of Legal Counsel, has said a sitting president cannot be indicted because a criminal case would interfere with the duties of the commander in chief. Prosecutors in the Southern District of New York, and with Mueller's office, would presumably be bound by that legal guidance unless the Justice Department were to nullify the opinions.

Politically, Trump's shifting claims could harm his credibility with voters, but legally they may not make much of a difference.

"It's not clear to me that he's made any false statements in legal documents that could open him to liability for perjury," Hasen said.

For the payments themselves to be a crime rather than a civil infraction, prosecutors would need to show that Trump knew that what he was doing was wrong when he directed Cohen to pay the women and that he did so with the goal of benefiting his campaign.

Trump has not yet laid out a detailed defense, though he could conceivably argue that the payments were made not for the purposes of advancing his campaign but rather to prevent sex stories from emerging that would be personally humiliating to him and harm his marriage.

That argument was advanced by former Sen. John Edwards, a North Carolina Democrat, in a similar campaign finance case that went to trial. But that may be tougher for Trump than it was for Edwards given the proximity of the president's payment to the election - timing that, on its face, suggests a link between the money and his political ambitions.

## Correction:

A story in Sunday's Herald about an upcoming trail construction project at Big Spring State Park incorrectly implied that horseback riding will be one function of the trails. Park Manager Ron Alton has informed the Herald that the park's trails will be too steep to allow safe horseback riding, so that activity will be prohibited.

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**Michael Cohen, right, President Donald Trump's former lawyer, arrives at federal court with his daughter, Samantha Cohen, center, and son, Jake Cohen, for his sentencing for dodging taxes, lying to Congress and violating campaign finance laws in New York on Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2018.**

By **JONATHAN LEMIRE and ERIC TUCKER**

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — President Donald Trump has now been abandoned by two of his most powerful protectors, his longtime lawyer and the company that owns the National Enquirer tabloid, bringing a perilous investigation into his campaign one step closer to the Oval Office.

Both Michael Cohen and American Media Inc. now say they made hush money payments to a porn star and a Playboy Playmate for the purposes of helping his 2016 White House bid, a campaign finance violation. The women alleged affairs with Trump, and federal prosecutors say the payments were made at Trump's direction.

The admissions by Cohen and AMI conflict with Trump's own evolving explanations. Since the spring, Trump has gone from denying knowledge of any payments to saying they would have been private transactions that weren't illegal.

On Twitter Thursday, Trump contended he "never directed" his former personal lawyer to break the law. He tweeted that Cohen "was a lawyer and he is supposed to know the law."

Cohen pleaded guilty to campaign finance charges "in order to embarrass the president and get a much reduced prison sentence," Trump tweeted. He said the charges were "unrelated to me."

Though prosecutors have implicated Trump in a crime, they haven't directly accused him of one, and it's not clear that they could bring charges against a sitting president even if they want to because of Justice Department protocol.

Nonetheless, Trump's changing explanations

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access to county offices, and Commissioner Oscar Garcia brought up the fact that alcoholic beverages are prohibited on the grounds of the Howard County Courthouse, and wondered what steps were being taken to prevent festival-goers from drinking beer sold at the festival on the Courthouse lawn.

Commissioners voted to hold off on approval of the plan until they had time to think it over and negotiate with the festival planners.

In other business, commissioners:

- Reaffirmed an interlocal contract with Howard College to fund a librarian's position at the Howard County Library.

- Approved a resolution urging state legislators to vote against increased weight limits for commercial trucks.

- Granted permission to County Maintenance Director Baldomar Cortez to seek bids to replace four air conditioner units at the District Court building.

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## SEARCHING

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aim to do something unique this Christmas for our community. We understand the business of the season and didn't want to add another program," said Cisneros. "We want to provide Big Spring with a chance to laugh, rest, and enjoy this time together. Also we wanted provide a time away from the worry and stress about all the things that have to be done, a time to focus on Jesus and family."

Cisneros also stated those who want can get more information on NazFamily Facebook page as well

as local event info on events and Facebook events. "Everyone is invited to this free event. It is our gift to the community and a great event to bring family and friends to," said Cisneros.

"You won't want to miss this event, it is a great chance to really prepare to truly celebrate. Christmas is not a time of rushing, shopping, and cooking," said Cisneros. "Christmas is a time to celebrate life and to celebrate Jesus, take a moment with us to truly celebrate."

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# U.S. Transportation Secretary announces major Texas infrastructure and transportation investment

## Special to the Herald

WASHINGTON — U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao today announced more than \$100,000,000 in discretionary grant funding to five infrastructure projects in the state of Texas. These grants are funded through the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) Transportation Grants program which supports road, rail, transit, and port infrastructure projects across the country.

"BUILD grants are targeted local investments that will increase safety, create jobs, and modernize our country's infrastructure," said U.S. Transportation Secretary Elaine L. Chao.

The Department awarded \$20,000,000 to the Alliance Texas/Haslet Accessibility Improvement Project. The project is comprised of three components: (1) construction of Haslet Parkway as a new four-lane divided thoroughfare from I-35W to FM 156 and Avondale-Haslet Road; (2) extension of Intermodal Parkway as a four-lane divide thoroughfare from its current terminus south to the new Haslet Parkway facility; and (3) widening of Avondale-Haslet Road to a four-lane divided thoroughfare from FM 156 to the Haslet city limits.

An additional \$25,000,000 was awarded to the Glasscock County and Reagan County Improvement Project. The project comprises a portfolio of improvements along SH 137, including widening to add new turn lanes and reconstructing the existing at-grade roadway geometry on SH 158 and SH 137 to a grade-separated overpass and interchange. The design of these improvements will accommodate future installation of fiber.

An additional \$20,000,000 was awarded to the Berth 6 Expansion: Multimodal On-Dock Rail Project. This project extends the Port Arthur Berth 5 wharf approximately 1,000 feet to create Berth 6 as a crane-capable pile-supported wharf, including a tied-back bulkhead and a cargo-handling laydown area. The project also modifies and expands the existing rail system to provide a direct connection between the existing rail spur and the dock tracks at Berth 5 and Berth 6.

The Department also awarded \$14,050,000 to the BUILDing Brazos Transit District: Bus Replacement Project. The project will replace more than 30 buses, including approximately 12 Brazos Transit District diesel buses and approximately 17 Texas A&M University diesel buses.

The Department also awarded \$25,000,000 to the Winkler County Improvement Project. This project reconstructs the existing at-grade roadway geometry to a grade-separated interchange with SH 302 over SH 115.

Demand for BUILD grants far exceeded available funds, and the locally-driven nature of the applications was clear in their volume and geographic diversity. Eight hundred and fifty-one eligible applications from all 50 states, as well as U.S. territories, and the District of Columbia, were sent in response to the BUILD Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO), nearly double the applications received in 2017. Overall, applicants in 2018 requested more than \$10.9 billion in funding.

Project applications were evaluated by a team of 222 career staff in the Department and selected based on established criteria. The criteria included safety, economic competitiveness, quality of life, environmental protection, and state of good repair. Further criteria included innovation, such as projects supporting Autonomous Vehicles infrastructure, broadband service to underserved communities, as well as projects that demonstrate partnerships between the public and private sectors, and non-Federal revenue for transportation infrastructure investments. The Department prioritized rural projects that aligned with the criteria and addressed rural infrastructure needs.

The BUILD Transportation Grants re-balance a ten-year, historical underinvestment in rural communities. Rural applications more than doubled from the previous year's TIGER applications. Underinvestment in rural infrastructure has led to a decline in the routes that connect communities in rural America. In this round, in which 59 percent of the applications were for rural projects, 62 projects were awarded to rural grant applications.

Several selected projects will contribute to America's energy independence. The Permian Basin projects and the Port Arthur Multimodal Rail Expansion and Berth Expansion Project will both contribute to the efficient transportation of domestic energy products. Border security infrastructure is also supported through BUILD Transportation grants, with projects such as the Calexico East Port of Entry Bridge Expansion in California making bridge improvements to accommodate freight traffic and improving other transportation facilities at the border crossing.

The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2018 appropriated \$1.5 billion for BUILD Transportation grants. For this round of BUILD Transportation grants, the maximum grant award is \$25 million for a single project, and no more than \$150 million can be awarded to a single state. There is a \$5 million minimum award for projects located in urban areas, and a \$1 million minimum for rural projects.

# H-E-B to donate more than 1.2 million sweet potatoes to Texas food banks

(SAN ANTONIO) — With winter break around the corner, even more children and families across the state will struggle with the threat of hunger. To combat the problem, H-E-B through its Food Bank Assistance Program will donate more than 1.2 million sweet potatoes to 17 Texas food banks this holiday season.

"The holidays are a time for celebration, but anytime children are on break from school the need for food grows," said Winell Herron, H-E-B Group Vice President Public Affairs, Diversity and Environmental Affairs. "H-E-B is committed to supporting our communities and helping families in need with the necessary resources to avoid hunger this holiday season as well as throughout the year."

When school is out, food banks across Texas see a surge in demand for food. Without access to daily school lunches, children are especially at risk of facing hunger. H-E-B works directly with food banks that are affiliated with Feeding Texas, a member of Feeding America, the nation's leading domestic hunger-relief organization. Last year, Feeding Texas food banks distributed more than 300 million pounds of food to Texas communities.

"Thanks to H-E-B's generous gift, food banks across the state will be able to offer another fresh, nutritious food item to hungry

Texans this holiday season," said Feeding Texas CEO Celia Cole. "We are so grateful for our partnership with H-E-B and their commitment to help narrow the hunger gap in Texas."

In 2016, more than 15.5 million U.S. households were faced with the threat of hunger, a recent report from the United States Department of Agriculture shows. From 2014-2016, 1.4 million (one in seven) Texas households faced the threat of hunger, and last year, one in four children in Texas were at risk of facing hunger. During this period, Texas was one of just fifteen states with greater food insecurity than the entire nation.

Throughout the year, the H-E-B Food Bank Assistance Program works to raise awareness and battle hunger. Last year, the program donated 33.2 million pounds of food to families in need, and since 1982, the year the program was founded, H-E-B has donated more than 1 billion pounds of food to 5,500 non-profit organizations in Texas and Mexico.

Altogether, more than 600,000 pounds of sweet potatoes will be delivered to the 17 food banks in Texas. The following locations will receive deliveries:

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# Komen West Texas Requests Grant Applications

## Special to the Herald

LUBBOCK—The West Texas Affiliate of Susan G. Komen® is actively seeking applications for its community grants for the funding period of Apr. 1, 2019, through Mar. 31, 2020. The deadline for the community grants application is Jan. 10, 2019. Application can be found at [www.komenwesttexas.org](http://www.komenwesttexas.org).

Community grants are eligible only to nonprofit organizations that are located in or provide services to one or more of the 26 Panhandle or 18 South Plains counties in the Komen West Texas service area. Projects also must be specific to breast health and/or breast cancer.

Based on the most recent Community Profile from 2015, compiled by Komen West Texas after analyzing data in the 62-county service area, following are priorities for community grant funding. The Community Profile can be found at [www.komenwesttexas.org](http://www.komenwesttexas.org).

Access to Screening and Diagnostic Services: Programs that increase access to screening and diagnostic services for uninsured and underinsured women ages 40 and over. Underinsured is defined as "having some insurance coverage but not enough, or when one is insured yet unable to afford the out-of-pocket responsibilities not covered by his or her insurer" (Patient Advocate Foundation <http://www.patientadvocate.org/resources.php?p=781>). The Affiliate seeks to fund programs that provide no-cost or low-cost mammography, ultrasound, and biopsies.

Access to Treatment and Support Resources: Programs that increase access to treatment and services for uninsured and underinsured women diagnosed with breast cancer. The Affiliate seeks to fund programs that provide no-cost or low-cost breast cancer treatment (including, but not limited to, BRCA testing, chemotherapy, and radiation) and services (including, but not limited to, co-pay/ deductible assistance, food, transportation, lodging, medication, lymph node drainage, lymphedema garments, breast prostheses, mastectomy bras, wigs, and hair-loss kits).

Last fiscal year, Komen West Texas granted five Community Grants between the Panhandle and South Plains totaling \$159,826.

For more information, go to [komenwesttexas.org](http://komenwesttexas.org), email [libby@komenwesttexas.org](mailto:libby@komenwesttexas.org), or call the office at 806-698-1900.

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# THE BULLDOG REPORT

## Chavarria off to UIL Area Band competition in January

By **LYNDEL MOODY**

CISD Media Specialist  
Coahoma High School band member Wesley Chavarria will be heading to UIL Area Band competition in January.

Chavarria placed high enough at All-Region tryouts Saturday to advance to the next round of competition. Three other of his fellow band members also earned spots in the All-Region band. They are Andrea King, Aaron Turnbough, and Alana Wegner.

In the junior high division, Audrey Turnbough, an eighth grader, earned 9th chair out of 12th in the trumpet section at All-Region Middle School Band tryouts last week. The Middle School All-Region Band concert will be held Jan. 26.

In other great news, senior Cassie Gutierrez is heading to Texas A&M University next year, the home of the 12th Man and the fighting Texas Aggies. Gutierrez, a senior, received her acceptance letter from the school recently. She plans to study kinesiology.

In athletics, Keegan Dobbs and Gage Clark-Burdell were both named to the 2-3A All-District first team offense and defense football team. Making the

## Upcoming activities at CISD:

**Today**  
Junior High Bulldogettes (A teams only) at Big Spring tournament (Thursday & Saturday)  
Noon, CISD Board of Trustees meeting  
7 p.m., CHS band Christmas concert

**Friday**  
Pajama day for PK-5th, visit with Santa  
A Day of Giving/Bell Ringing, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Walmart

**Monday**  
Coahoma Bulldogs vs Post  
Coahoma Bulldogettes at Clyde

**Tuesday**  
Music programs for third and fourth grade  
Coahoma JH Bulldogs/Bulldogettes  
5:30/6:30, Junior High boys vs Merkel  
5:30/6:30, Junior High girls at Merkel  
High School Bulldogs  
7 p.m., Freshman at Midessa Homeschool

**Wednesday**  
Music programs for kindergarten through second grades  
Coahoma Bulldogettes & Bulldogs at Roscoe (JV & varsity teams)  
Games starting at 4 p.m.

**Wednesday**  
Christmas around the World @ The Academy

second team were: Zack Schneider, Bubba Duenes, Jonathon Schneider, and Alejandro Gonzales. Receiving honorary mentions were: Braxton Chandler, Chris Castillo, Garrett Anderson, Cutter Atkins, Isaac Murillo, Gaige Hill, Avry Burgans, Brice Martin, Joe Manning, and Brant Gartman.



Courtesy photos

In the top photo, Coahoma student Wesley Chavarria poses for a photo with her instrument. In the bottom photo, Coahoma student Cassie Gutierrez shows off her Texas A&M banner as she plans to attend the school in the Fall.



# The Buffalo Bulletin

By **HUNTER CEVALLOS**

FISD Journalist

With the arrival of December, it is officially Christmas movie season. The Hallmark channel will most likely be on every TV in America. Forsan students took a poll and chose Home Alone, Elf, and the Grinch as the top Christmas movies of all time.

**Home Alone:**  
Home Alone was released on November 16, 1990. It is about a young boy whose family goes on vacation for Christmas and leaves him home alone. When two burglars try to invade his home, he must defend it by using home-made traps. Home Alone has had 10 movie award wins and 6 nominations.

**Elf:**  
Elf was released on November 7, 2003. It is about an Elf named Buddy (Will Ferrell) who was sent to the North Pole on accident as a toddler. After growing up with elves his whole life, Buddy realizes he can't be a part of them due to how big he was in comparison and heads off to New York City to look for his father. After doing a DNA test, it turns out that Walter Hobbs, a businessman, is his real father. They then try to create a new



Hunter Cevallos

relationship to make up for lost years.

**How the Grinch Stole Christmas:**

How the Grinch Stole Christmas was released on November 17, 2000. It is about a green colored man named the Grinch (Jim Carrey) who seeks revenge on the citizens of Whoville. However, after a fateful encounter with sweet Cindy Lou Who, the Grinch becomes what he hated at the beginning of the movie, a cheerful person.

All of these movies are just few of many that everybody looks forward to whenever Christmas comes around. Poll information was obtained from fellow Journalism student Mallory Ezel.

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## More sleep in Seattle: Later school start helps kids get zzz



AP photo

Teaching assistant Leonardo Baker, left, greets students arriving at Franklin High School Wednesday morning, Dec. 12, 2018, in Seattle.

By **CARLA K. JOHNSON**

AP Medical Writer

SEATTLE — High school students are getting more sleep in Seattle, say scientists studying later school start times.

Teenagers wore activity monitors to find out whether a later start to the school day would help them get more sleep. It did, adding 34 minutes of slumber a night. They also reported less daytime sleepiness, and grades improved.

The Seattle School District changed from a 7:50 a.m. start time to 8:45 a.m. in the fall of 2016 for high schools and most middle schools, joining dozens of other U.S. school districts adopting later starts to help sleep-deprived teens.

Teenagers' nightly sleep has decreased and most adolescents don't get the recommended nine hours. One culprit: Light from devices that many teens use to chat, post and scroll long after dark.

Franklin High School senior Hazel Ostrowski, who took part in the study, said sleeping later makes it easier to pay attention during class but she still struggles sometimes.

"I'll wake up so tired I wish I could go back to sleep. At night, I'll be on my phone and I just want to stay up," she said.

Researchers worked with science teachers at two high schools to find out if students got more sleep after the change or simply stayed up later. Over two years, they recruited 178 sophomores to wear wristwatch-like monitors for two weeks to track activity and light exposure. Results were published Wednesday in the journal *Science Advances*.

The scientists compared sleep habits of sophomores in spring 2016, before the change, to sleep habits of sophomores from spring 2017, after later start times went into effect.

Some measures held steady. Naps and weekend sleep schedules didn't change. On school nights, only a few

students stayed up later, not enough to greatly budge the average.

What changed was wakeup time, with morning activity starting about 45 minutes later on school days. Combined with a slight shift to later bedtimes for a few, the average sleep duration increased by 34 minutes.

Put another way, morning wakeup time shifted from 6:24 a.m. to 7:08 a.m. Falling asleep shifted only a tad, from 11:27 p.m. to 11:38 p.m.

"Given all the pressures keeping our teenagers awake in the evening — screen time, social media — this is a great thing to see," said Horacio de la Iglesia, a University of Washington biology professor who led the study.

Digging deeper, researchers analyzed schoolwide data on first-period punctuality and attendance. Of the two high schools, the one in a more affluent area showed no difference year to year. But the school in a poorer area had less tardiness and fewer absences after the change, a hint that later start times could help with socioeconomic learning gaps, the researchers said.

Exam scores and other grades in the science classes increased year to year by a small margin, but the authors acknowledge that teachers' views on the later start time could have unconsciously boosted the grades they gave.

Most U.S. middle and high schools start before 8:30 a.m., contrary to an American Academy of Pediatrics recommendation, said University of Minnesota researcher Kyla Wahlstrom, who studies the issue.

School districts resist, she said, because later start times disrupt bus schedules and sports practices, and rob parents of afternoon teenage babysitters to watch younger kids.

Prior studies relied on students recalling how much they slept. This was the largest to use a stronger measure, the wearable monitor, she said.

Bringing the research into classrooms made it a learning experience for students, Wahlstrom said, "a brilliant way to do it."

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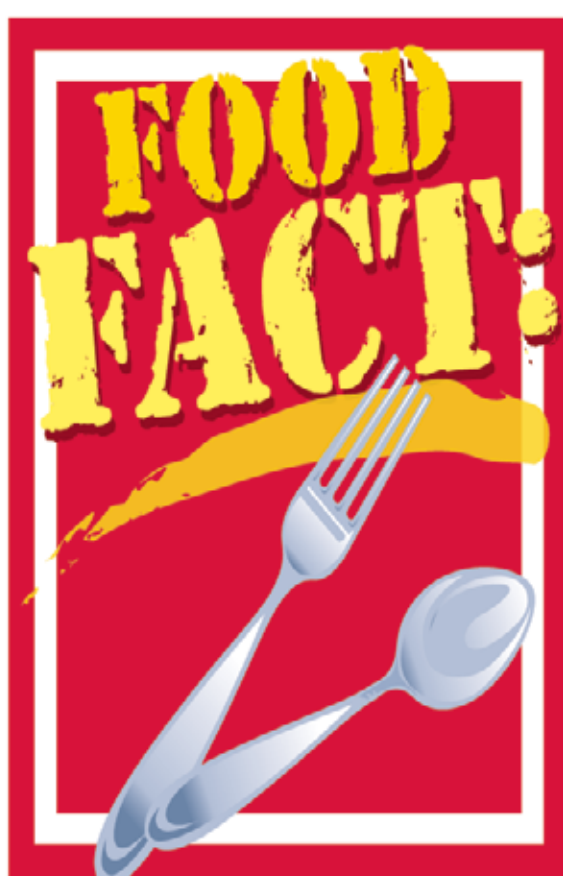


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### Steers turn it on late in 69-52 win over Denver City

By JORDAN PARR

Sports Editor

**BIG SPRING** – After trailing most of the game the Steers showed why they have the nickname “Showtime” in the fourth quarter and pulled away from the Mustangs to get the convincing win. Jeremiah Cooley led all scorers with 31 points on an impressive 11-15 shooting from the floor and a perfect 2-2 from behind the arc. Cooley also led the Steers defense with 13 rebounds, 4 steals and 4 blocks in the game. Mikal Banks added 18 points on 3-7 from the field and 3-8 from deep while also grabbing 4 rebounds and 4 steals on defense. Tyler Seymore also finished in double digits with 14 points on 6-13 from the field and collected 5 rebounds in the game. Able Clark was a defensive standout with 9 rebounds and great off the ball help defense all game.

In the first quarter the Steers couldn't seem to find the range while the Mustangs made everything they put up. With the Steers' press not being effective, Denver City took advantage early and got a lot of easy transition baskets. With the Steers struggling to shoot the ball and the Mustangs getting wide open looks on the other end, Big Spring trailed 18-15 at the end of the first quarter.

In the second quarter it was more of the same for the Steers. Poor shot selection and unforced turnovers really put Big Spring behind the eight ball and allowed for a less talented Denver City team to impose their will on the Steers. With the deep ball being almost non-existent for Big Spring early and

with the Mustangs draining it from deep, Denver City extended their lead to 38-26 headed into half time.

Coming out of the half, the Steers looked like a completely different team from the one that gave the Mustangs a 12 point advantage in the first half. Big Springs press began to be effective with the increased intensity and effort from the players on defense and that created easy scoring opportunities for some of the players that had been struggling from the field shooting. With Cooley and Clark dominating the boards and Cooley scoring inside almost at will, the Steers turned the tide of the game and eliminated the double digit deficit quickly and emphatically. The Steers headed into the fourth quarter with their first lead of the game at 47-45.

In the final period of the defense and Cooley put the game away for good. The Steers' press was creating turnovers and transition offense and allowing Cooley to use his athleticism to dominate the slower Mustang defenders down low. Cooley and Clark's outstanding play inside opened up opportunities for Big Springs' shooters on the perimeter and in the fourth the Steers finally started to find the mark and pushed the lead out to double digits. With the press and the inside out offense working to full effect the Steers dominated the fourth quarter and got the impressive 69-52 come from behind win.

The Showtime Steers will play again this Friday at Cisco.



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**Big Spring's Jeremiah Cooley shoots over a defender during the Steer's 69-52 come from behind win over Denver City on Tuesday, December 11, 2018.**

### Turnovers and poor shooting cost the Lady Steers



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**Big Spring's Amber Martinez takes a jump shot during the Lady Steer's 40-32 loss to Odessa Permian on Tuesday, December 11, 2018.**

By JORDAN PARR

Sports Editor

**BIG SPRING** – The Lady Steer just never could find their rhythm against the Panthers Tuesday night at Steer Gym. Big Spring shot the ball extremely poorly in the game going just 8-26 from the field and 2-8 from three while turning the ball over at an extremely high rate with 17 turnovers in the first half alone and 28 for the entire game. With a shooting percentage of 31% and both starting guards with over six turnovers the fact that the Lady Steers led for most of the game speaks to how inversely well they played on defense compared to offense. Amber Martinez led the Lady Steers in scoring with 10 points on 1-4 from the field and 2-5 from deep. Martinez also grabbed 4 rebounds and 2 steals but gave away 6 times in the game. Alexis Starr and Kayleigh Penny each added 7 points with Starr shooting 2-4 from the field and 0-2 from behind the arc. Starr had 7 big turnovers in the game as well. Penny was a defensive powerhouse on the floor despite only scoring 7 points. Penny had 7 rebounds, 4 assists and an unbelievable 12 steals in the game. Those and along with the dominant defense down low by Logan Terrazas, who had 11 rebounds, 4 blocks and 4 steals, were a huge reason that the Lady Steers were able to play so poorly offensively and still lead the Panthers most of the game.

In the first quarter both teams had a hard time getting the ball up the floor without turning it over and the Permian press really seemed to give the Lady Steers problems early and often. With

both teams struggling to create offense the game got kinda sloppy and the first quarter ended with the Panthers leading 11-9.

In the second quarter Penny and Terrazas started to assert themselves on defense and those key stops really allowed for Big Spring to get some easy transition baskets to take the lead and put the pressure back on the struggling Mojo offense. With those two ladies leading the way from the defensive side the Lady Steers went into half time with a narrow 20-15 lead.

Coming out of half time the Lady Steers continued their defensive dominance as both teams continued to really have a hard time finding a way to score with consistency. Penny, Terrazas and Cervantes made life for the Permian scorers tough all night and continued that trend in the third quarter holding the Panthers to just 7 points in the quarter. Unfortunately the Lady Steer were only able to score 7 points of their own in the quarter to head into the final period going just 27-22.

In the fourth quarter Big Springs' offense really struggled only scoring 5 points in the final period while Permian found their range and put up 18 points in the fourth to almost double their output up to that point. With the offense becoming almost non-existent for the Lady Steers down the stretch and the Panthers exploding offensively the game quickly shifted in Permian's favor and once they had the lead they never looked back stealing the win from the Lady Steers 40-32.

The Lady Steers will play again Friday at Steer Gym versus Monahans.

### Bulldogettes fall to Lady Badgers



Courtesy photo/Lyndel Moody

**Layla Salinas, No. 14, reaches for the ball during the Coahoma Bulldogettes/Merkel Lady Badgers junior varsity basketball game held Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2018, in Coahoma.**

#### Special to the Herald

**COAHOMA** — Jovi Gonzales led Coahoma with 8 points and Cassie Grant added 6 in the Bulldogettes district opener against the Merkel Lady Badgers Tuesday night. Coahoma lost 24-58.

Caitlyn Corley struck first nailing a 2-point basket to put Coahoma up on the scoreboard 2-0 after both teams had trouble scoring at the post in the first few minutes of the game. However, 30 seconds later the Lady Badgers answered with a field goal

and took control for the rest of the match. Turnovers hurt Coahoma all night. The Bulldogettes are now 0-1 in district play.

Next: The Bulldogettes travel to Clyde Friday to take on the Lady Bulldogs in district play.

Coahoma: 4, 8, 5, 7 -- 24  
Merkel: 12, 20, 12, 14 -- 58  
Coahoma — Macee Grant, 2; Caitlyn Corley, 4; Paige Atkins, 4; Jovi Gonzales, 8; Cassie Grant, 6.

Merkel — Callie Freeman, 3; Kaydi Pursley, 11; Mireya Salazar, 4; Alyssa



Courtesy photo/Lyndel Moody

**Cassie Grant, No. 25, races down the court during the Coahoma Bulldogettes/Merkel Lady Badgers game held Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2018 in Coahoma.**

White, 4; Kinzi Hays, 19; Sydnee Gilbreath, 7; Jaycee Walcott, 1; Alyssa O'Malley, 7; Alaunna White, 2.

Free Throws — Coahoma 3-4; Merkel 12-22 ; 3-Point Goals — Coahoma 1 (C. Grant); Merkel 4 (Hays, 3, Pursley, 1); Total Team Fouls — Coahoma 15; Merkel 7.

Coahoma JV vs Merkel  
Madison Rogers netted 8 points and Vada Cortez had 4 for the junior varsity Bulldogettes game against the Merkel Lady Badgers Tuesday night. Coahoma lost 18-41.

The JV heads to Clyde Friday to take on the Lady Bulldogs.

Coahoma: 5, 0, 5, 8 -- 18  
Merkel: 9, 15, 9, 8 -- 41  
Coahoma — Layla Salinas, 2; Kaitlyn Johnson, 2; Madison Rogers, 8; Kaylee Kaczyk 2; Vada Cortez, 4.  
Merkel — Cornelios, 4; Stephens, 2; Tipton, 2; Doan, 8, Ugalde, 12; Burma, 13

Free Throws — Coahoma 4-12; Merkel 1-1; 3-Point Goals — Merkel 2 (Burma, Ugalde); Total Team Fouls — Coahoma 8; Merkel 14

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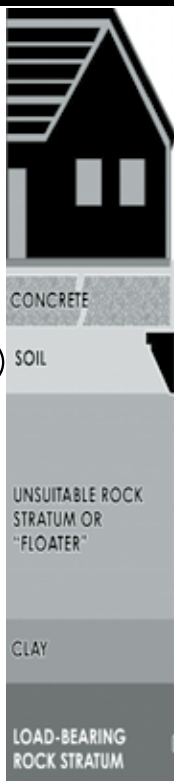
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By Steve Becker

## Close but no cigar

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**NORTH**  
♠ K Q 3  
♥ K Q 10 9 4  
♦ 6 5 2  
♣ 10 4

**WEST**  
♠ A J 9  
♥ 5  
♦ K Q 10 8 3  
♣ A 7 6 2

**EAST**  
♠ —  
♥ 7 6 3 2  
♦ 9 7 4  
♣ K J 9 8 5 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ 10 8 7 6 5 4 2  
♥ A J 8  
♦ A J  
♣ Q

The bidding:  
South West North East  
1 ♠ 2 ♦ 2 ♥ Pass  
3 ♥ Pass 3 ♠ Pass  
4 ♠

Opening lead — king of diamonds.

The most interesting hands to play are those where the outcome depends not so much on power as on skill.

Consider this deal where West led the king of diamonds, taken by South with the ace. Declarer then played a spade to the queen, on which East

discarded the nine of clubs. Anxious to lead another trump to the king, but unwilling to play a heart to the ace for fear of subjecting himself to a subsequent heart ruff, South led a diamond to the jack at trick three.

West took the queen and shifted to his singleton heart. South won with the ace and led a trump, but West rushed up with the ace, led a low club to his partner's king and ruffed East's heart return to sink the contract.

Although the East-West defense was exceptionally good, South would have made his game if he had taken firmer steps to guard against the danger of a killing heart ruff. This could have been done by playing a low club from dummy at trick three in order to sever communication in that suit between East and West.

Had South done that, no heart ruff could have been negotiated by the defenders, and he would have finished with 10 tricks.

The club play at trick three does not seem to make much sense, but for a declarer who by nature fears the worst and thoughtfully prepares for that eventuality, it is the absolutely correct play.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.

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## Tomorrow's Horoscope

### Pisces Moon vs. Peanut Gallery

Inner guidance strengthens its voice under the Pisces moon, so if you can help it (and few are emotionally independent enough, but it's certainly something to strive for), try not to let yourself be swayed by praise, condemnation, encouragement or criticism. Truly, these comments from the world are but distractions from the quiet work of the soul.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** The beautiful thing will be a simple thing. But there's a process to finding this. Along the way, things will get mighty complicated indeed, which will be your cue to go back to the basics and start again.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Where do you draw the line with your mischief? Too far to one side and it's criminal. Too far to the other and it's such a weak strain it could hardly be considered mischief at all. You'll employ your best judgment and hit the perfect tone.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** When you hear what you don't like, how do you punish the messenger? People only lie because the truth seems too dangerous a thing to tell. The way to get to the truth is to make it safer for people to tell it to you.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** Relationships are always a co-creation. It may seem that you're responsible for what happens in them, but only partly. Consider carefully the various motives at play in today's matters of love and friendship.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** As a Leo, you understand that the king

### BY HOLIDAY MATHIS



grinder is in the room." But if you can separate the monkey from the organ grinder, you'll get a good story from each.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** While there are times when a passively experienced amusement is just what you need to relax, the best entertainment for today is the sort that engages your brain at a high level.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** You'd like to do more with less, and indeed you'll feel happier, lighter and more productive when this happens. The first step is getting to less, though. So what three things can you let go of?

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** You've been good at doing you for years now, and yet there are still people who think they have the answer to how you could be doing it better. Steer them off the pursuit, either gently or abruptly, because they're wrong.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 13).** You're a visionary, a big idea person. To make it happen, get better at delegating. The universe brings you competent people happy to be a part of your plan. Other treasures of the solar return: some silly fun that turns into big publicity, an approach to health to amp up your vitality and the worthiest wingman ever. Libra and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 1, 30, 33, 8 and 47.

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isn't the king because he's better; he's the king because his position got him crowned. Doing good work from where you are, wherever you may be, is the aim that serves you best.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Of course nothing is certain, but who wants to live with that ethos? It's not very productive and even less exciting. Anyway, some things are more certain than others. Choose one and go for it.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** "Face your fear" is the common advice. Putting your face into fear's face isn't always required to solve the problem; it can be solved through action. Today you could do the action blindfolded and have the same result.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** A 1 percent improvement will have a 360-degree effect. What makes you better in your personal life will make you better at everything: work, business, art, parenting, friendship, self-care and on and on.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** Your signmate former British Prime Minister Winston Churchill suggested, "Never hold discussions with the monkey when the organ

## Annie's Mailbox

### Slighted by Old Friends

**Dear Annie:** My husband is friends with a couple from college with whom we have exchanged Christmas cards and graduation announcements over the past 25-plus years. They have three sons, all of whom we sent a card and money to when they graduated from high school. However, when our daughter graduated in May, they sent nothing -- not even a card. They are in great financial shape, so it is not a monetary issue. This has bothered me for months. I expect their Christmas card to arrive soon, and I really want to send it back either refused/return to sender" or with a note saying how hurt we were by their failure to acknowledge our daughter's graduation. My husband thinks it would be sufficient to just throw the card away and not send them one. I feel that they need to know that we are upset about it, especially as he thinks it is the wife who was responsible and the husband may not even know. I would appreciate your suggestions. -- Slighted

**Dear Slighted:** Just because you sent their children graduation gifts doesn't mean they were obligated to do the same

for yours. A gift given with strings attached is really just a trap. Also, there are plenty of benign explanations for their not sending a gift. Maybe they're not so well-off as you think (we never know what goes on behind closed doors), or maybe they just forgot. Regardless, I urge you to try to find the grace within yourself to let this go. Retaliation is for war, not friendship. Send them that Christmas card, and put this behind you. I have a feeling you'd feel better for it in the long run.

**Dear Annie:** This is in response to "Senior Dating Adventures." Although some of the points you made are valid and may apply to this gentleman, I feel that you missed the fact that the woman seemed to lose interest when he asked for a hug on the 34th date, which continued on the next two dates. It is not uncommon for senior women to enjoy and even seek out the companionship of dating. However, many are not looking for a sexual relationship. This woman has been widowed twice, and she may be done with needing a man for an intimate relationship. Though many seniors still have sexual relations, many women say they would love to have someone to socialize and go out with

but are really not looking for anything physical. They may enjoy the company of a certain gentleman but are not necessarily physically attracted to him or interested in having sex with him. I agree that this gentleman had his feelings hurt, but your answer to him seemed to blame him for not being confident and fixating on the relationship. He seemed to just be trying to understand where he had gone wrong. I live in Florida, am in my late 60s and know many women who had wonderful (and some not-so-wonderful) marriages and/or relationships with men but now are not dating because they are not looking for another intimate relationship at this point. They are happy with who they are. -- Mary Lou

**Dear Mary Lou:** I'm printing your letter because you've shared valuable insight on another explanation for his date's behavior. There are even dating sites geared toward people over 60 that reflect different levels of companionship.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to [dearannie@creators.com](mailto:dearannie@creators.com).  
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# SUDOKU

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Level: Intermediate

### 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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ANSWER:

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### ANDY CAPP

MY MOTHER'S COMING OVER, AND I EXPECT YOU TO BE ON YOUR BEST BEHAVIOUR, ANDY

DON'T WORRY, PET. YOU WON'T HEAR A PEEP OUT OF ME

OH, GOOD

I'LL BE IN THE PUB

### AGNES

I HAVE TO EARN EXTRA MONEY FOR CHRISTMAS.

THAT'S THE CURSE OF THE POOR.

WHAT IS?

"EXTRA" MONEY. WE ALWAYS NEED "EXTRA." THE RICH HAVE BIG FLIPPIN' PILES OF IT THEY CAN USE ANYTIME

PILES OF IT?

THEY CALL IT LEFTOVERS... YOU CAN ONLY EAT SO MANY BIG MACS.

### ARCHIE

I'LL LEAVE A NOTE FOR THE OFFICE ASSISTANT TO PHOTOCOPY MY REPORT WHILE I'M OUT!

MAKE 500 COPIES ASAP

OH, NO!

DID YOU REALIZE THAT MOOSE WAS THE OFFICE ASSISTANT LAST PERIOD?

OH, YES!

### ONE BIG HAPPY

LOOK AT THIS MESS! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

MOM, YOU KNOW HOW THE ELF ON THE SHELF SPIES ON US...

TO REPORT BACK TO SANTA IF WE'RE NAUGHTY?

YEAH. SO?

SO, WE'RE LOOKING FOR HIS CELLPHONE!

IT'S GOTTA BE HIDDEN SOMEWHERE!

### NEST HEAD

I'M PRETTY SURE YOU'LL LIKE THIS CASSEROLE IF YOU GIVE IT A CHANCE.

THAT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE A GUARANTEE.

I ADMIT IT CAN BE AN ACQUIRED TASTE.

I AGREE WITH YOU ON THE "ACK" PART.

IF WE ACQUIRE IT, DO WE HAVE TO KEEP IT?

### MOMMA

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## This Date In History

Today is Thursday, Dec. 13, the 347th day of 2018. There are 18 days left in the year.

**Today's Highlight in History:**

On Dec. 13, 2003, Saddam Hussein was captured by U.S. forces while hiding in a hole under a farmhouse in Adwar, Iraq, near his hometown of Tikrit.

**On this date:**

In 1862, Union forces led by Maj. Gen. Ambrose Burnside launched futile attacks against entrenched Confederate soldiers during the Civil War Battle of Fredericksburg; the soundly defeated Northern troops withdrew two days later.

In 1918, President Woodrow Wilson arrived in France, becoming the first chief executive to visit Europe while in office.

In 1928, George Gershwin's "An American in Paris" had its premiere at Carnegie Hall in New York.

In 1937, the Chinese city of Nanjing fell to Japanese forces during the Sino-Japanese War; what followed was a massacre of war prisoners, soldiers and citizens. (China maintains that up to 300,000 people were killed; Japanese nationalists say the death toll was far lower, and some maintain the massacre never happened.)

In 1944, during World War II, the light cruiser USS Nashville was badly damaged in a Japanese kamikaze attack off Negros Island in the Philippines that claimed 133 lives.

In 1977, an Air Indiana Flight 216, a DC-3 carrying the University of Evansville basketball team on a flight to Nashville, crashed shortly after takeoff, killing all 29 people on board.

In 1978, the Philadelphia Mint began stamping the Susan B. Anthony dollar, which went into circulation the following July.

In 1981, authorities in Poland imposed martial law in a crackdown on the Solidarity labor movement. (Martial law formally ended in 1983.)

In 1996, the U.N. Security Council chose Kofi Annan (KOH'-fee AN'-nan) of Ghana to become the world body's seventh secretary-general.

In 1997, a ribbon-cutting ceremony was held in Los Angeles for the 1 billion-dollar Getty Center, one of the largest arts centers in the United States.

In 2000, Republican George W. Bush claimed the presidency a day after the U.S. Supreme Court shut down further recounts of disputed ballots in Florida; Democrat Al Gore conceded, delivering a call for national unity.

In 2002, Cardinal Bernard Law resigned as Boston archbishop because of the priest sex abuse scandal.

Ten years ago: The White House weighed its options for preventing a collapse of the troubled U.S. auto industry. Oklahoma quarterback Sam Bradford won the Heisman Trophy after guiding the highest-scoring team in major college football history to the national championship game.

Five years ago: North Korea's state-run media announced the execution of the day before of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un's uncle, portraying Jang Song Thaek as a morally corrupt traitor. Reality TV star Khloe Kardashian filed for divorce from Lamar Odom after four years of marriage.

One year ago: Minnesota Gov. Mark Dayton appointed Lt. Gov. Tina Smith to fill the Senate seat of fellow Democrat Al Franken until a special election in November, 2018. Congressional Republicans reached agreement on a major overhaul of the nation's tax laws that would provide generous tax cuts for corporations and the wealthiest Americans; middle- and low-income families would get smaller tax cuts. The New York Times published claims by three women that they had been raped by music mogul Russell Simmons in the 1980s and 1990s; Simmons denied the allegations.

**Today's Birthdays:** Former Secretary of State George P. Shultz is 98. Actor-comedian Dick Van Dyke is 93. Actor Christopher Plummer is 89. Country singer Buck White is 88. Music/film producer Lou Adler is 85. Singer John Davidson is 77. Actress Kathy Garver (TV: "Family Affair") is 73. Singer Ted Nugent is 70. Rock musician Jeff "Skunk" Baxter is 70. Country musician Ron Getman is 70. Actor Robert Lindsay is 69. Country

singer-musician Randy Owen is 69. Actress Wendie Malick is 68. Former Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack is 68. Former Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke is 65. Country singer John Anderson is 64. Singer-songwriter Steve Forbert is 64. Singer-actor Morris Day is 62. Actor Steve Buscemi (boo-SEH'-mee) is 61. Actor Johnny Whitaker (TV: "Family

Affair") is 59. Rock musician John Munson (Semisonic; Twilight Hours) is 56. Actress-reality TV star NeNe Leakes is 52. Actor-comedian Jamie Foxx is 51. Actor Bart Johnson is 48. Actor Jeffrey Pierce is 47. TV personality Debbie Matenopoulos is 44. Rock singer-musician Thomas Delonge is 43. Actor James Kyson Lee is 43. Actress Kimee Balmilero

(TV: "Hawaii Five-0") is 39. Actress Chelsea Hertford is 37. Rock singer Amy Lee (Evanescence) is 37. Actor Michael Socha is 31. Neo-soul musician Wesley Watkins (Nathaniel Rateliff & the Night Sweats) is 31. Actor Marcel Spears (TV: "The Mayor") is 30. Singer Taylor Swift is 29. Actress Maisy Stella is 15.

### Thought for Today:

"To know how to say what others only know how to think is what makes men poets or sages; and to dare to say what others only dare to think makes men martyrs or reformers — or both."

Elizabeth Charles  
British writer

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## Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- "All about them" pieces
  - Monastic leader
  - Throat annoyance
  - Ancient Peruvian
  - Yankee catching great
  - Sand-trap smoother
  - Opaque wall piece
  - Valhalla boss
  - Make verboten
  - Wolf group
  - Pacific climate affecter
  - Fall off
  - Daredevil's video device
  - "Ain't gonna happen"
  - Clarinet's category
  - Leave stunned
  - Torino (Eastwood film)
  - Herando's "happening"
  - Swanky party
  - American island territory
  - Is a contender
  - Years and years
  - How coffee may be served
  - Measures of about 5 mL
  - Litigators' grp.
  - Space Race contender
  - Pretty weighty
  - Barely visible edgewise
  - Result (from)
  - City of Syria
  - Zoo channel
  - Guerrilla Guevara
  - Speck of dust
- DOWN**
- Miniature
  - Pt. of many major airport names
  - Overdramatize
  - Cassette successor
  - Dicerns
  - Ancient letter symbols
  - Late-night TV host Meyers
  - Tolkien brute
  - "I'm a good example"
  - Weather system
  - Extreme
  - Pacific battleground of 1945
  - Chromosome map
  - Design datum
  - Mantel, for example
  - Hint of color
  - "Out!"
  - Pollution monitor
  - Group making sturdy furniture
  - Autumn bloom
  - Seize improperly
  - "Who wants dessert?" response
  - Sea snail
  - Pennsylvania (Ben Franklin's paper)
  - Deep red
  - Memo attachment
  - Most swanky
  - Intolerant Seuss creature
  - One of the Musketeers
  - Russell of boxed chocolates
  - Croatia joined it in 2009
  - German autos
  - Nighttime in Naples
  - Primatology study
  - Large feathered runner
  - S&L offerings

## SAFETY FIRST by Greg Johnson

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# Mavs extend home streak, end skid vs. Hawks 114-107



AP photo

Dallas Mavericks guard Wesley Matthews (23) and center DeAndre Jordan (6) celebrate a shot in the fourth period by forward Harrison Barnes (40) against the Atlanta Hawks in the fourth period of an NBA basketball game, Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2018, in Dallas.

By SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Sports Writer

DALLAS — Luka Doncic can call himself even with Trae Young for now.

The Dallas Mavericks can finally say their puzzling losing streak against the Atlanta Hawks is over.

Harrison Barnes scored 25 points, Doncic added 24 and the Mavericks extended their home winning streak to 11 games while ending a 10-game skid against Atlanta in a 114-107 victory over the Hawks on Wednesday night.

J.J. Barea had 18 points before leaving with a sprained left ankle as the Mavericks finally beat the Hawks after blowing a 26-point lead in October, when Young had a strong fourth quarter in his home debut to help the Hawks rally to a 111-104 win.

Young matched Doncic with 24 points and added 10 assists in the second meeting between players traded for each other on draft night. Doncic went third overall to the Hawks, who sent him to Dallas while the Mavericks picked Young at No. 5 for Atlanta.

"He's a really good player and we can only hope to contain him," Young said of Doncic, who was just 5 of 14 from the field but had his second career double-double with 10 rebounds while adding a team-high six assists. "He didn't get too many good looks."

Instead of wilting in the fourth quarter, the Mavericks took control with a 7-0 opening run for a 10-point lead and eventually went up by as many as 15 before the Hawks made it closer with an 11-1 run late.

The home winning streak is the longest for the Mavericks since a 12-game run in 2007-08, and their most recent win over Atlanta was on Oct. 30, 2013. Dallas had won 21 of the previous 29 meetings with the Hawks before the 10-game skid.

The rematch reiterated the opposite directions both teams are headed after ending the first meeting at 2-2. The Mavericks are 13-9 since then and among the current playoff teams in the rough Western Conference. The Hawks have gone 4-19.

The Mavericks played most of the second half without coach Rick Carlisle, who was ejected on two quick technicals when he thought Barnes got fouled without a call. Dallas went on a 16-5 run right after the ejection.

"He got them going," said assistant Stephen Silas, who took over for Carlisle. "His energy got them going, and I tried to continue that energy with the group. They did a really good job after Rick got thrown out of the game."

Kent Bazemore scored 22 for Atlanta, and John Collins had 20 points and a career-high 17 rebounds.

Role players got the fourth moving for Dallas, starting with Maxi Kleber on a dunk as he went on to score all seven of his points in the fourth quarter. Dorian Finney-Smith's free throw gave Dallas its first 10-point lead, and he finished with 11 points.

### TIP-INS

Hawks: Vince Carter, Nowitzki's former teammate also in his 21st season, got a nice ovation when he entered the game in the first quarter. The 41-year-old scored his only points on a 3 in the first quarter. ... Collins had nine offensive rebounds, most by a Dallas opponent this season, in his sixth double-double.

Mavericks: PG Dennis Smith Jr. missed his fourth straight game with a sprained right wrist. ... Doncic was 12 of 15 from the line as Dallas attempted a season-high 43 free throws. ... DeAndre Jordan had his 16th double-double with 11 points and 11 rebounds.

### NO DIRK YET

Dirk Nowitzki was inactive after being listed as questionable for the first time as the longer-than-expected recovery from left ankle surgery delays him from officially becoming the first NBA player with 21 seasons for one franchise. Carlisle said the designation meant the 40-year-old Nowitzki was getting closer to returning, but didn't want to discuss his status further before the game.

### GETTING CHIPPY

Doncic stared down Bazemore after the Atlanta guard blocked his shot before and after the first-half buzzer, ultimately sending the 19-year-old crashing to the floor. Players from both benches mingled as they headed to their locker rooms, with coaches and officials trying to keep them separated. There weren't any scuffles, and officials looked at a replay

before ruling there were no fouls.

There were two double-technical late in the fourth quarter. The first pair was called on Young and Jordan, with both appearing to plead with officials that they were having a friendly exchange. Doncic and former Maverick Justin Anderson got double techs 16 seconds later.



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