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## Food drive battle, Isaiah 58 winner Community brought in 1,595 cans during competition

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**

Managing Editor

A friendly competition between two local doctors resulted in a big win for the community and Isaiah 58. Between Dr. Jody Reid's office and Dr. David Ward's office, there were 1,595 cans donated that will benefit those needing a little extra help this holiday season.

"We didn't know about this, and honestly these are the best kind (of donations). They are surprises," Nancy Stinson, President of Isaiah 58 food pantry, said. Just like everyone thinks of Christmas gifts, this is our Christmas gift. We are so excited and stoked," Stinson said. "I thank them from the bottom of my heart."

The idea for the competition originated in Dr. Ward's office, as a way to draw more attention to the annual food drive.

"We have had modest success with our previous food drives, but this time around we received more than we ever have," Dr. David Ward, with Ward Dentistry, said. "There was a lot of talk about this competition and I believe that helped."

Throughout the month of October, the two offices reached out to the commu-



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**Dr. David Ward and Dr. Jody Reid's offices went head to head to benefit the local food pantry, Isaiah 58. The competition resulted in almost 2,000 cans being donated.**

nity to support the food drive. All non-perishable items were being accepted. The terms of the competition required the office with the least amount of food, at the end of the month, would receive a pie to the face.

"It was a really close competition and

the margin was small. Both offices did a great job in bringing in food," Dr. Jody Reid with Back in Motion Chiropractic, said. "We have joined together for community projects before and as always it

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### Upcoming Events

**Christmas Tree Forest**  
 Open at  
 Heritage Museum  
 through Dec. 20

**Today**

**Alive After 5**  
 Kindred - 609 S. Gregg  
 5 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

**Nov. 15**

**Back in Motion Chili**  
 Cookoff  
 4 p.m.

**Nov. 18**

**Grief Share:**  
 Surviving the Holidays  
 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.  
 Trinity Baptist Church

**Nov. 21**

**Empty Bowls**  
 Dorothy Garrett Coliseum  
 11:30 a.m.

**Dec. 5**

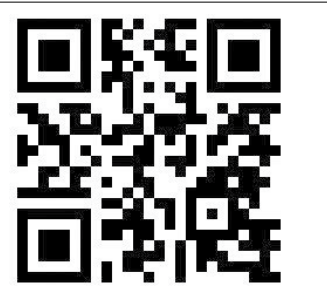
**Tour of Homes**  
 6 p.m.  
 United Way fundraiser

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## Friends of the Library to host a Read-a-Thon in the month of November

By **CINDY PINCH**

Staff Writer

Last year, over 11,000 people used the Howard County Library computer lab. The Read-a-Thon will raise money to help the library purchase new computers. In addition, they are hoping to update the educational software for children who visit the library.

"Our computers are used a lot for people applying for a job or boarding pass for an airplane." Librarian Mavor Braswell said.

The number of people using the computer is going up each day. There are a lot of people who may have a computer but not a printer. Or they might not have a computer at all. The library is meeting these and other needs of the community with second-hand equipment.

The library offers additional services, such as Launchpad - a self-contained tablet with educational games. It cannot connect to the Internet, which ensures the safety of your child. They are sturdy and hold

educational games for children from Pre-K through 3rd grade. Launchpad tablets can be checked out for a week at a time.

Activity kits are tailored for the perfect night. The themes range from date night to family game night. The kits themselves include DVDs, games, cookbooks and more.

"We have also started purchasing TV DVDs to binge watch." Braswell said.

The DVDs are available for those who may not have a subscription service but still wish to binge watch their favorite television shows.

These are ways the library is already improving to meet the needs of the community. New computers are the next step. With the number of people using the computer lab steadily increasing, the library must meet the needs of the community.

"Libraries have become the bridge over the digital divide." Braswell said.

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## Chamber Toy Drive kicks off Friday



By **ANNA GUTIERREZ**

Staff Writer

Beginning Friday, Nov. 15 through Friday, Dec. 13, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce will be collecting toys for children in our area. The toys will be donated to CASA and The Salvation Army.

"You can drop off toys for kids ages two to eighteen anytime during normal office hours," says Debbye ValVerde, Executive Director of the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. "All the toys should be new and un-wrapped. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation, we'll be happy to do the shopping for you."

Continues ValVerde, "I always stress:

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## Chili cookoff to benefit first responders Several chilis, community invited, Thursday 4-6 p.m.

By **AMANDA DUFORAT**

Managing Editor

Cooler temperatures means chili time. Big Spring Realty and Back in Motion have teamed up to show support for local first responders, and what better way to draw in a crowd than with a little good ol' fashioned chili. The cookoff is set for Nov. 15 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

"With the huge growth in our town we wanted to host our first fundraiser to benefit first responders that still serve others no matter what," Jessica Webster, Big Spring Realty Manager, said. "Being a realtor isn't only about meeting new people, it's about connecting with your community and giving back. At Big Spring Realty we are excited about raising money for our Fire Department and showing appreciation for them giving unselfishly of their time and spending time away from their loved ones."

According to Ashley Chavarria with Big Spring Realty, there are 17 chilis that have been entered. Several of the fire fighters have chosen to enter chili along with community members.

The event is made possible through the support of 20 sponsors, ranging from insurance agencies, construction companies, oil companies, real estate agents and many more.

"What started out as a crazy idea in the office is now a reality," Chavarria said. "The community is invited to stop by and support the event and taste some darn good food from big hearted people who want to raise awareness and appreciation for our local firemen and women."

Community members wanting to sample the chilis can do so for a small fee. All the money raised will benefit the fire

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## Obituaries

### Wilma Walker



Wilma Walker, 88, of Big Spring, passed away Monday, Nov. 11, 2019, at Ashton Medical Lodge in Midland. The family will receive friends from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, 2019, at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Graveside service will be at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 15, 2019, at Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel. Memorial Service will begin at 1 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Stanton.

Wilma was born March 29, 1931, in Farwell, Texas, to Esther McAlister Wolf and John Andrew Wolf. She married Charles Delton Walker on Aug. 12, 1950, in Big Spring. He preceded her in death on Nov. 19, 1987. Wilma had been a resident of Big Spring since 1963 coming from Brownfield. She was a switch board operator at the Big Spring State Hos-

pital for 25 years. Wilma enjoyed country and western dancing, playing 42, attending senior citizens' activities, cooking for her family, and loved spending time with her family. She had a great sense of humor, and everyone who entered her home became her extended family. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Stanton.

Wilma is survived by two daughters, Charlotte Dalton (Jerry) of Midland, and Phyliss Franks (James) of Stanton; four grandchildren, Jeffrey Dalton, Jeramy Clanton, Jobie Dalton and Jinean Clanton; 12 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. Wilma is also survived by two sisters, Wanda May Wilson of Waco, and Helen Marie Davis of Andrews.

Wilma was preceded in death by her parents; husband; and 11 brothers and sisters.

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

*Paid Obituary*

### Estella Johnston



Estella Johnston, 58, of Big Spring, passed away Monday, Nov. 4, 2019. No services will be held.

Estella was born March 17, 1961 in Manassas, Virginia. She is survived by her husband,

Curtis Johnston of Big Spring; one son, Kevin Mahmalji; two brothers, David Beard (Ruth) and Clark Johnston (Diama); and one sister, Gina Martin.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Mary Katherine and Otto Steele; and a daughter, Kristy K. Mahmalji.

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

### Ronald (Ronnie) Henrichs

Ronald (Ronnie) Henrichs, 62, of Buffalo, Missouri, formerly of Big Spring, died Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2019. Graveside service will be at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 16, 2019, at St Lawrence Cemetery.

## Police Blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity:

- **RANDALL TAFF RANDOLPH**, 50, of 510 N. Gregg St., Unit 1, was arrested on two outstanding warrants from other agencies.

- **ISRAEL SAIZ**, 22, of 1500 Chickasaw St., was arrested on a warrant for forgery of a financial instrument.

- **STEVEN LAWRENCE FRANKLIN**, 35, transient, was arrested on a charge of theft of

property (less than \$100-shoplifting).

- **AMY NICOLE FIERRO**, 37, of 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd., Apt. 114, was arrested on two outstanding warrants from other agencies.

- **IGNASIO SAMUEL CAMACHO**, 42, of 5109 Dawson Rd., was arrested on two outstanding warrants from other agencies.

- **BURGLARY OF A BUILDING** was reported in the 1700 block of N. Hwy 350.

- **CREDIT/DEBIT CARD**

**ABUSE** was reported in the 3600 block of Hwy 80-two incidents, and 15 miles north of I-20 and Hwy 350.

- **THEFT** was reported in the 100 block of N.E. Broadway St., Coahoma, Texas, and in the 200 block of W. FM 700.

- **ACCIDENT MINOR** was reported at 4th and Gregg

- **STOLEN VEHICLE** was reported in the 1900 block of E. 11th Place.

## Sheriff

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

Note - Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 89 inmates at the time of this report.

- **IGNACIO SAMUEL CAMACHO**, 42, was arrested by HCSO on a parole violation, and a warrant for motion to revoke-evading arrest or detention with previous conviction.

- **AMY NICOLE FIERRO**, 37, was arrested by HCSO on warrants for failure to maintain financial responsibility, and failure to appear.

- **STEVEN LAWRENCE FRANKLIN**, 35, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of theft (less than \$100).

- **VICTORIA ANN MCCLUSKEY**, 36, was arrested by BPS on warrants for bail jumping and failure to appear, violating promise to appear, and failure to maintain financial responsibility.

- **JOSE MORENO**, 38, was arrested by DPS on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

- **RANDALL TAFF RANDOLPH**, 50, was arrested by BSPD on warrants for failure to appear-driving with invalid license with previous conviction

or suspension, and unauthorized use of a vehicle.

- **MAGDALENA ANGELITA RESENDEZ**, 33, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for motion to revoke-theft of property (\$100 to \$750).

- **ISRAEL SAIZ**, 22, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for forgery of a financial instrument.

- **ZAKKERY WAYNE TURNER**, 30, was arrested by HCSO on a warrant for bondsman off bond-assault causing bodily injury/family violence.

## Fire/EMS

Big Spring Fire Department/EMS reported the following activity:

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 600 block of Ave. D. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of W. 17th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Cen-

ter.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3600 block of N. Hwy 80. No transport was required.

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

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 500 block of N.W. 10th St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1300 block of E. Hwy 350.

One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported at FM 700 and Hwy 350. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 3300 block of E. I-20. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

- **MEDICAL CALL** was reported in the 1700 block of Purdue. No transport was required.

## 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. at 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); there is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held three times per year on Thursday evenings, 6 to 8 p.m., at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. Visit the GriefShare Ministry of TBC Facebook page. You can also call Vivian Gordon at 432-466-3583 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

### 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.

- Caregivers Support Group, sponsored by the Area Agency on Aging, meets the second Tuesday of every month at 10:30 a.m. The meetings are held at the Senior Citizens Center located at 100 Whipkey Drive. These meetings are open for any caregiver, whether medical professional or family member.

For more information, please call Becky Letz at 267-1628.

Let our readers know about your organization's meetings and festivities. Send an email to [citydesk@bigspringherald.com](mailto:citydesk@bigspringherald.com)



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**Today:** Sunny, with a high near 54. North wind 10 to 15 mph.  
**Tonight:** Clear, with a low around 31. North wind around 5 mph becoming calm in the evening.  
**Friday:** Sunny, with a high near 61. South wind 5 to 10 mph.  
**Friday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 38. South wind around 10 mph.  
**Saturday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 65.  
**Saturday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 40.  
**Sunday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 59.  
**Sunday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 38.

**Monday:** Sunny, with a high near 70.  
**Monday Night:** Clear, with a low around 43.  
**Tuesday:** Sunny, with a high near 72.  
**Tuesday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 48.

(Weather courtesy National Weather Service via forecast.weather.gov)

# FOOD

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was a great friendly competition once again. Our office was excited to join in this effort because nobody should struggle with hunger and anything we can do to help fight that we are on board. We have a responsibility to lift each other up when we can."

According to Stinson, the food donated will feed about 500 families in the community. The excitement of the donation was beyond what Stinson could express.

"Someone who wants to give

(to the community) after they've already given; dental and chiropractic (doctors) make the community better and for them to give this to us ... there are no words," Stinson said.

Isaiah 58 is a food pantry, but also offers items such as toiletries, and holiday items when available. The pantry is open Monday and Tuesday from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and has been serving Howard County for more than 20 years.

"We want the public to know we are here for them. If they think they are taking away from someone, or they think they don't want to because of pride ... stop," Stinson said. "We encourage all

those who are in need to come and eat. We are here to share our food and make sure nobody goes hungry in Howard County."

Isaiah 58 is a local, non-profit organization whose main focus is to feed those in the community who are in need. The organization is run completely on volunteer efforts, and is always accepting new volunteers and donations. To find out more information or to donate, call 32-263-4758 or 432-816-0590.

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# READ

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The Read-a-Thon, hosted by Friends of the Library will start on November 1st and end on the 30th. Pledge forms can be picked up at the Howard County Library. In order to participate, the reader will pledge to read a number of pages that they choose. Those who wish to donate will spon-

sor a reader and pledge how much money to donate per page read. Donations are to be turned in to the library by December 13th.

"The things we can do are endless." Friends of the Library member Tammy DePauw said.

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# TOY

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Try Local! Buy Local! I believe part of that philosophy also involves supporting our local charities. CASA and The Salvation Army do so much for the children in Big Spring, and this is our way of giving back and helping out. Help us help others!"

The Chamber is located at 215 W. 3rd St., and their office hours are Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, you can call the Chamber at 432-263-7641.

Contact Staff Writer Anna Gutierrez at 432-263-7331 ext. 232, or by email at citydesk@bigspringherald.com

# CHILI

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department and aide in the purchase of much needed new equipment.

According to Chavarria, the goal for the fundraiser is \$10,000. "We have a big goal, but it's because the fire department is in need of communication equipment, voice amplifier for SCBA, new SCBA mask, fire hose and hand tools for the truck," she said. The fire fighters will be on hand to show off the trucks to the children and meet with the community. Back in Motion is located at 1113 Scurry. The chili cookoff will take place from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Nov. 15.

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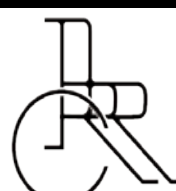
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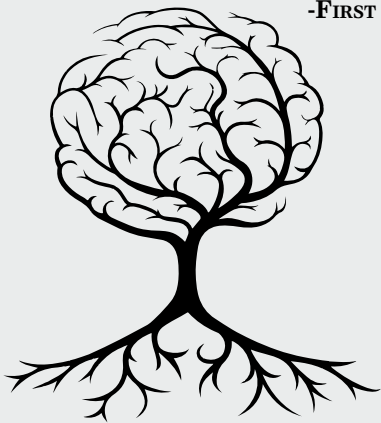
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# Opinion

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-FIRST AMENDMENT



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## DAILY PRAYER

Dear Lord, may we put a smile on our face and trust in You.  
Amen

### Cindy's Bookshelf

## Influence of the news

**T**he trouble with the news is simple: People, especially ones on the ends of the power spectrum, like it when you're afraid.

The people who have the power want you scared. They want you walking around paralyzed by the notion that you could die at any moment. There's always something to be afraid of. It used to be terrorists. Now it's zombies." - Mira Grant, Feed. Zombies are my favorite monster. I think the reason they terrify me the most is because they can't be reasoned with.

You can't change a zombie back to who they were before because zombies don't remember who they were before. Not knowing who I am - not being me anymore - is the single most terrifying thought. I love zombies because they make us question what it is exactly that makes us, well, us. What is it that makes us human? Feed by Mira Grant is more than just entertaining. From the opening line, this book took hold and refused to let go.

Not only was I terrified and curious, but there were kernels of truth that challenged the way I interact with the real world around me. "What does this have to do with the news?"

This: The truth isn't scary. Not when you understand it, not when you understand the repercussions of it, and not when you aren't worried that something's being kept from you."

An excerpt from Feed. In the not-so-distant future, Georgia Mason is a journalist who reports on life in a world that has emerged as a result of a zombie outbreak. Nearly 30 years after the initial outbreak, humanity has done what it does best - it endured.

While society is not the same as it once was, those who remain have adapted. Only the brave eat meat or keep animals over a certain weight limit due

to the possibility of infection. Most of society lives in the relative safety of their own home, venturing out very little.

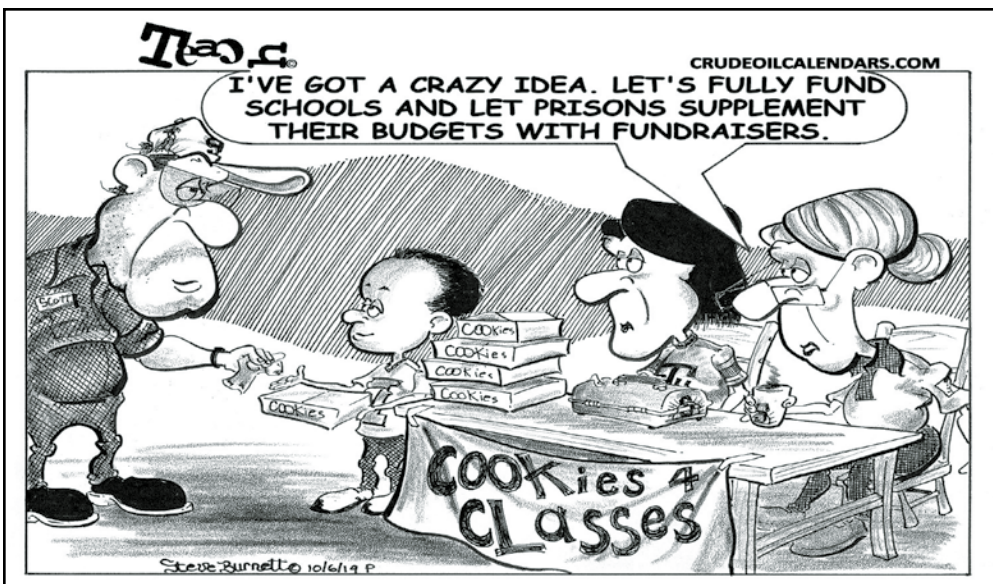
As a result, media has shifted. Although print media still exists, it is much more difficult for the general populace to access. News exists mostly in the form of blogs. There are three major categories that the blogs fall into - Fictionals, Irwins, and Newsies. Fictionals are writers who write fiction in order to entertain the general populace. They primarily write short stories and poetry. Fictionals are necessary because they provide an escape, albeit mentally, from the monotony of being cooped up indoors. Irwins are the brave and adventurous reporters. They are not afraid to get out in the thick of things all for the adrenaline rush that comes with fighting and running for your life. Lastly, there are the newsies. Newsies report on the current state of the world as accurately and fairly as possible.

When Georgia and her team of reporters is commissioned to cover the presidential campaign for Senator Peter Ryman, nothing goes as planned. Georgia soon realizes that there is more at stake than who will be the next leader of the country. Her and her team race to uncover the truth before any more innocents can die - only they realize too late that they're the next targets.

"The truth is only scary when you think part of it might be missing. And those people? They like it when you're scared. So they do their best to sit on the truth, to sensationalize the truth, to filter the truth in ways that make it something you can be afraid of."



CINDY PINCH



## The Postscript: Temporary Worries

**M**y husband, Peter, and I are spending a month in Spain and we have left our worries behind. As a result, we have had to come up with new, temporary worries to occupy us until we get back home.

Peter ran out of lotion and for several days used something he found in the house which turned out to be soap.

("I wondered why it wasn't soaking in!" Peter said.) He doesn't like my lotion ("axle grease!" Peter complains) so he ventured out yesterday to buy some more.

He came home with some lotion in a metal tin and immediately began worrying if this container would travel well.

"I don't want grease leaking all over my luggage!" Peter worried. In the absence of a real grocery store, we worry if we will be able to find olives we like and, once we find them, if we will ever find them again.

We feed the cats on the roof every day, then worry how they will survive after we are gone. (But then we remember they were not overly slim when we arrived.)

Earlier this week we hiked to a neighboring town, spent the night, and returned. The hike was wonderful, crossing through

mountains and fording a stream. We had dinner in the square with two ladies in their sixties—an Englishwoman who had come to live in this remote town several years earlier and a Dane, who was on her way to explore Argentina. Hiking home the following day, I thought (as I always do while traveling) of the endless variety of ways there are to live.

It was nice to get back in our funny little house, but I worried we were running out of time.

Peter made soup, as he does. "This will be my last batch this trip!" Peter announced.

I will miss this little house more than Peter will. The doors are very low, and the stairs are very steep, so Peter walks around the house slightly stooped and carries a hiking pole up and down the stairs, as if he is herding sheep to and from the upstairs bathroom.

I try not to laugh—but sometimes I fail.

Yesterday I hiked to the top of a hill that overlooks the town. There used to be a Moorish castle on the top hundreds of years ago. The view is amazing.

I looked down on the white houses and the Mediterranean in the distance and thought of all the people who had been exactly

Grant wrote in Feed.

Feed is an incredible thrill ride of a novel. It is fast paced and exhilarating. I found it difficult to resist the urge to read the whole book in one go. This novel has everything from adventure, action, love, and strong character development. My recommendation is to keep a box of tissues handy when you read the last hundred pages because it is an emotional roller coaster. Feed is a parallel to the world we live in now. Even though our monsters aren't zombies, and we fight things like prejudice and hunger, it is necessary for us to learn to put aside our differences and work towards the greater good of not only our cities and countries, but for all of humanity. Mira Grant is the pen name for Seanan McGuire. She has published both fantasy and science fiction novels.

She is from Northern California. Grant also won the 2010 John W. Campbell award for Best New Writer. Her works include the Newsflesh series, which includes Feed; the Parasitology series, and Into the Drowning Deep. Grant has also published urban fantasy novels under her name, McGuire. Her most recent novel is In an Absent Dream, which is book four in the Wayward Children series.

For more information on Grant, visit her websites: miragrants.com or seananmcguire.com. Or follow her on social media. She has accounts for both of her pen names on Facebook, Twitter, and Goodreads. And lastly, a final quote from Feed by Mira Grant, "If we didn't have to fear the truths we didn't hear, we'd lose the need to fear the ones we did. People should consider that."

where I was, looking at that view.

Sometimes they were worried, I imagined, looking for invaders, or bad weather, or some other trouble coming by sea. But most of the time I imagine they sat where I did for the same reason—to wonder how long they would get to look at something so glorious, to wonder why they spent so much time worrying.

When I got home, Peter read about a ship that was having mechanical troubles in the Mediterranean.

Once they finish cruising the Mediterranean for the season, the bigger ships cross the ocean to spend the winter in the Caribbean. Peter reads these articles because we are taking one of those ships home.

It turns out, the ship in trouble was ours.

"Someone said they heard an explosion and reported a fire in the engine room!" Peter exclaimed, reading the article (which was not from a major news source and seemed a little short on facts).

"Goodness!" I said.

I guess—since we need something to worry about—this is as good a worry as any.

Till next time,  
Carrie

Carrie Classon's memoir, "Blue Yarn," was released earlier this year. Learn more at CarrieClasson.com.

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THE BULLDOG REPORT



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The Coahoma Elementary School student council presented a program to honor U.S. Veterans on Monday for Veterans Day.

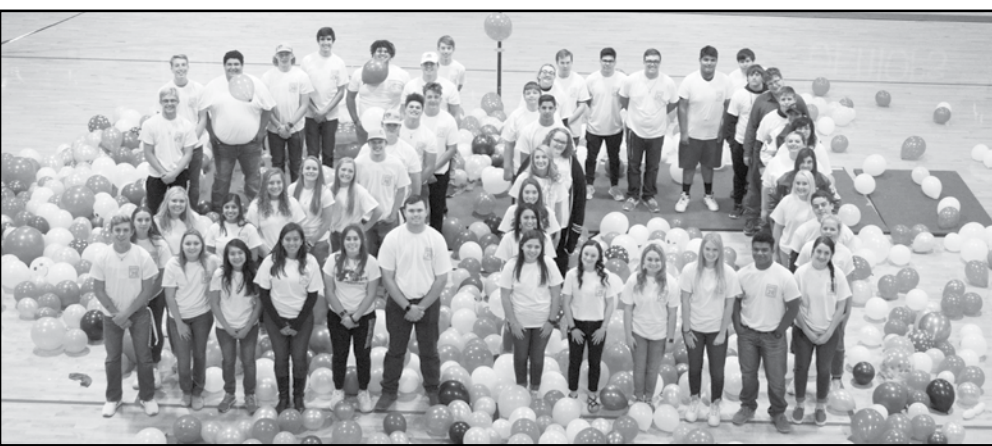


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The Class of 2020 took a group picture a few hours before the Senior Pep Rally on Friday, Nov. 1.

MUSTANG MINUTE

**Special to the Herald**  
Congratulations to the following teams and FFA members. They competed at the El Rancho district contest last Thursday and qualified for Area.

Bryce Hamlin

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Trayven Archuleta  
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Job Interview

Little Buffs

Courtesy photo



For a Coahoma Elementary celebrated Veterans with the annual Veteran's Day program. The Fourth and Fifth graders honored family, friends and community veterans with patriotic music.

Texas A&M's Veterinary Emergency Team (VET) has been a life-saving force for many animals facing disastrous situations and is celebrating its 10th anniversary of serving Texans.

COLLEGE STATION, Nov. 7, 2019 – The Texas A&M Veterinary Emergency Team (VET) is having its 10th anniversary next month, and the one-of-a-kind unit has plenty of reasons to celebrate: it's treated more than 6,000 animals during numerous disaster situations and provided immeasurable relief to their owners.

The VET is the country's largest and most sophisticated disaster response team, providing medical support to animals in need as a result of natural or man-made disasters. Since its formation 10 years ago, it has deployed 18 times in Texas and was also asked last year for assistance during the Paradise, Calif., wildfires, and its team of dedicated veterinarians has treated and saved the lives of thousands of animals.

Dr. Wes Bissett has been the VET leader during all of that time, and he said the team, which falls under the guidance of the Texas Division of Emergency Management, has been a tremendous asset to the state of Texas.

"We've treated all kinds of animals in all kinds of disaster situations," Bissett said. "Hurricanes, such as Harvey, and wildfires, severe flooding events, mistreatment of animals – we've seen all kinds of events where our services are needed. We are committed to serving the needs of Texas."

Bissett said the team sees virtually every type of injury that can affect animals but notes that flooding events are often the most difficult to handle.

Texas has experienced several disastrous rainfall events in the past few years and the team is often called upon to treat animals who have been in rivers or creeks for days without help.

"Several times, we have seen horses who have

been in the water for two to three days, and their condition is terrible – they've been in the water so long, their skin falls off," Bissett said. "It's really hard to even look at, but we've managed to treat most of them and return them to their owners in good shape. That's the most rewarding part of this job – to be able to treat an injured animal and return it to its owner. It's a very satisfying feeling for all of us."

Bissett recalled an incident in 2011 during the Bastrop wildfires that burned thousands of acres, and the team was deployed to the area for about a week.

A man whose house had been burned down came to him with two cats who had been badly burned and needed immediate help.

"He told me, 'We've lost our house, we've lost our goats and our dogs, we've lost everything but these cats. Can you please help us?' and he started to cry on my shoulder," Bissett said. "We managed to save them and returned them to him and his family, and it was a big moment for all of us. You don't forget moments like those."

Bissett said in the past 10 years, the VET has gone from one vehicle to 16, which includes trucks and trailers that essentially serve as mobile clinics, support vehicles and others used for logistics, and they are very much-needed: during Hurricane Harvey, the team was spread out over 10 communities from Rockport to Beaumont while treating injured animals.

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BS&S's weekly update

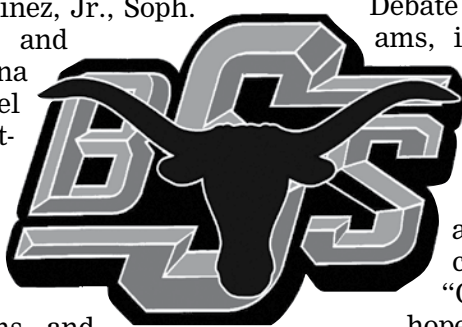
## Special to the Herald

The Big Spring High School Speech and Debate Team competed at UIL Congress on Nov. 7th at the Region 18 Educational Service Center in Midland. Senior, Kimberly Chapel, Junior, Orlando Martinez, Jr., Soph. Wesley Schmidt, and Freshmen Anayna Limaya and Michael Martinez represented the team.

Competing against other 4A schools in Region 18, which included Andrews, Monahans, and Pecos, Big Spring came out victorious winning 2 of the 3 State Qualifying spots. Chapel led the day placing first and winning the regional championship while Martinez placed 3rd. The two will compete in Austin in January at the UIL Congressional Debate State Meet on the campus of the University of Texas.

Martinez, who was an alternate last year, is "excited to compete at this level with such experienced debaters. It is so interesting to see

the policy ideas that people present. It gives you a new perspective on problems surrounding us." Limaya echoes stating, "It was stressful, but I really loved it; it was a great experience."



Debate coach Jennifer Adams, is pleased with the results saying "I'm so excited about our prospects moving forward not only this year but also for the years to come." She added "Of course, we always hope our seniors have

learned the lessons necessary to be successful, but it is so rewarding to see our underclassmen succeeding early."

Unlike other competitions, the final round of the UIL State Congressional Debate competition takes place in the Texas Capitol Building. Chapel, who returns to State this year, hopes to break to finals "to have the opportunity to debate bills and resolutions on the floor at the Texas capitol will be an amazing experience."

## Academic Star Student of the Week Forsan High School Senior, Ryan Buske

This week's Academic All-Star Student of the Week is Ryan Andrew Buske. Ryan Buske is a senior at Forsan High School. He is the son of Mandy and Pete Buske. Ryan is known as an impressive athlete. He has played a vital role on Forsan's football team for the past four years, and he just finished his 4th season as an offensive lineman. Besides football, Ryan can also be seen dribbling on the basketball court, serving in tennis, and competing in track.



Besides sports, Ryan can be seen playing the snare drum in the Forsan band or competing in UIL. He has competed in both social studies and current events and has helped his team advance to regionals twice. He is a member of the National Honor Society, a student council member, and has been the class vice president for grades 9th through 12th.

Extra-curriculars aren't the only place where Ryan shines. He is also a star student. Ryan has placed a strong focus on learning, and he will graduate with over six college classes under his belt. His favorite subject is math, and he especially loves college algebra.

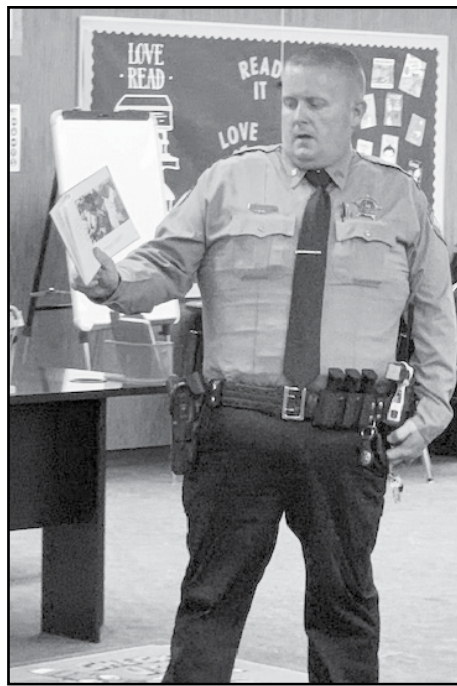
Ryan is also an active member of First Baptist Church youth group, and is involved with the First Priority campus club. His quote to live by is, "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." Romans 8:28.

When asked about goals for life after high school, Ryan said that, "I plan to go to Howard College, then transfer to Texas Tech so I can get a degree in exercise science and become a physical therapist."

Forsan has been a vital part of Ryan's life. He has attended the school since kindergarten, so he credits who he is today to both his parents and the many educators at Forsan. "My parents are my role models, and I'm grateful for every single teacher here. They've taught me a lot."

Ryan is a bright young man with a servant's heart. No matter what the task, he gives his all, and there is no doubt that he will go far in life. That's why Forsan High School is proud to have Ryan Buske as the Herald's Academic All-Star Student of the Week.

## THE BULLDOG REPORT



Courtesy photos

Pictured above left: Pie Top Seller: Pailee Fontana was the winner of the Coahoma Elementary School Pie Sale Contest. Fontana sold 86 pies. Overall, the school earned an estimated \$24,000 in net profit from the fundraiser which will be used for the technology budget. Pictured above right: U.S. Veteran Blake Jones reading to Coahoma Elementary School third graders on Veterans Day.

## Little Buffs



Courtesy photo

In preparation for Thanksgiving, Mrs. Davis' first grade class has been discussing the history of such a greatly loved holiday. After learning about the Wampanoag people that were originally living in North America before the pilgrims arrived, the class looked further into their lifestyle. They discovered that they lived in homes called "wetus" and rode in boats called "mishoons." The class was then given the task of making replicas of these through modeling clay. As much as the class enjoyed getting to create masterpieces of their own, we are more "thankful" that we get to live in a community that celebrates diversity and change much like the Wampanoags and the Pilgrims experienced long ago. We plan to move forward within the next two weeks digging deeper into how Thanksgiving came to be as well as practicing how to be thankful for the big, small, and often overlooked blessings in our lives.

## The Buffalo Bulletin



By Keith Bagnall

FHS Teacher

Forsan ISD offers Construction Trades and Construction Geometry in a two hour block. Students learn construction skills associated with general carpentry and building techniques.

Some of the specific skills include framing walls, running electricity, adding switches and outlets, hanging drywall, tape, bedding, and texture.

The students are pictured working on partitions for the ISS room that will be used to keep distractions to a minimum.

On this particular project, the students used critical thinking skills to attach and square the OSB panels.

The geometry skills learned are slightly different than traditional geometry, with all the confusing formulas. Although formulas are utilized, the students actually get to apply the numbers to real life applications in the shop. The students use the concepts to calculate square footage of building plans, cubic yards of concrete needed for a specific slab pour, and the squaring up of forms and floors for portable buildings.

In addition, they can calculate cubic yards of dirt needed for filling raised bed gardens and fill dirt for lawns. As an instructor, the best moment came while teaching them how to calculate the area of a circle. After some frustrating moments, the light bulb finally came on and one student asked, "Is it always going to be this easy?"

Yes, yes it is if you know how to plug the numbers in the correct way.



# Coahoma players receive All-District honors

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

The Coahoma Bulldogettes volleyball team had a roster full of All-District honorees this season that were announced following their first-round playoff exit.

The 11-17 Bulldogettes had eight members of their 2019 team named to an All-District team, be named an award winner, or an honorable mention in the 5-3A division.

Coahoma was led in the honors by two of the team's stars: freshman Zoie Joslin and junior MaKynlee Overton.

Joslin was named Co-Newcomer of the Year with the impressive start to her high school career at the setter position. In any sport, being a freshman starter is a tough feat to step into. Joslin handled the job handily and exceeded expectations in her first varsity volleyball season.

"I was so excited for her," head coach Jaime Bonner said. "She stepped in and did a tremendous job for us. Her ability to step up from a junior high level to the pace of the varsity team, she stepped into that role and did really, really great."

In addition to the freshman's impressive achievement, her more established teammate and starting middle blocker Overton was the only Bulldogette named to the All-District First Team. In a growing season for Coahoma, Overton was a bright spot game-in and game-out this past season.

"I think she really dominated as a middle block-



Courtesy Photo

The Bulldogettes celebrate together during a game earlier this season. Coahoma was eliminated in the first round of the state playoffs.

er for us," Bonner said. "When she gets ahold of a good one, not many people can pick up her hit. Even when she was on the back row, her defense was something we counted on all the time."

Joslin and Overton were joined by three of their teammates on the 5-3A All-District Academic Team: team captain Caitlyn Corley, Julia Cox, and Macee Grant. Two of those teammates, Corley and Cox, were also named to the All-District Second Team.

"They have to be able to keep their composure

and know what to do with the ball," Bonner said. "That comes from off-the-court and on-the-court smarts."

Lastly, three more Bulldogettes were introduced as All-District Honorable Mentions: Kenzi Canales, Kirah Kimball, and Madison Rodgers.

This means that while the trio was extremely productive and successful this season, they just missed the cut. In many ways, athletes appreciate both the achievements and the slights. This way, it makes it that much easier to want to come back the next year even better than before.

After a shorter-than-planned stay in the postseason, the Bulldogettes volleyball team will lose over half of their roster to graduation before next season. On the bright side, only two of those players made one of the 2019 All-District teams. Even with the departures of a half dozen veteran

players, Bonner believes her team will be able to weather the storm but knows it will take time.

"They already step into the leader role," Bonner said. "But they're definitely going to have some big shoes to fill. I'm excited for next year. I think we're going to continue getting better and better."

For now, the players who were named to any of the All-District teams should be very proud of their accomplishment. And for the players who were not recognized: There is always next year.

# PBYFL championship weekend features three Big Spring squads



Courtesy Photo

Pictured above left: a young Steer adjusts his chin strap before game time. Pictured above right: four Big Spring captains get ready for the coin toss before a game earlier this season.

By SHAWN MORAN

Herald Sports Writer

This weekend, a trio of Big Spring Steers little league teams will participate in Permian Basin Youth Football League's championship games.

The freshman, junior varsity, and varsity Steer teams will compete for the title of the best team in the league. With a large pool of athletic prowess throughout the program, athletic director Keegan Clark believes that his team's current achievements are a good indicator of their future success.

"The football culture here hadn't really been what it could be," Clark said. "I think it is going to give them a jumpstart and give them all the confidence they need and hopefully get the community behind these kids at a young age and show them that they can do these things. If we get together, work together, and get behind these kids, I think that's when we're really going to take off as a community. I think that's when a high school program really takes off. I think all of this right here is putting us on track to do that."

The freshman team, compiled of six and seven-year-olds, is currently undefeated and will be facing off against their longtime rival, the Andrews Mustangs. Led by league Most Valuable Player running back/defensive end Robert Evans, the Steers will be heading into their championship game against the Mustangs, who are led by league Offensive MVP Camden Aguilar. With both teams combining for only one loss the entire season, there will undoubtedly be an evenly-matched game that may come down to the wire and is sure to include offensive fireworks.

In a similar matchup, the junior varsity, compiled of eight to nine-year-olds, will also square off in a heated rivalry game against the Andrews Mustangs. The Steers JV team has made a dramatic turnaround after not finishing with a winning record for the last three years in that age group. In this game, the Mustangs head in as the undefeated squad who handed Big Spring their only loss of the season. With league Offensive MVP running back/defensive end Javon Jackson set to take on a heavy load in a matchup against JV MVP Tommy

Evans, the Steers will need all of their players to step up to the challenge.

"We've got good coaches in place, and good kids in place, and they've turned that thing around and are getting ready to play for a championship," Clark said.

The varsity-level Steers, which is a compilation of 10 and 11-year-olds, will be taking on the unbeaten Compass Academy Cougars when kickoff comes around on Saturday night. With two of the most talented players in the age group, speedster running back/free safety Andre Rushing and run-stuffing back/linebacker Davion Dawson, the Steers will head into their matchup against overall league MVP Daedrick Hardwick with a heaping of confidence. With only one loss on the year, which was an 18-14 nail-biter to Compass, the Steers will be looking to exact revenge on the Cougars high-powered offense. The Steers possess a defense that allowed only 12.0 points per game during the regular season and held the Cougars to their second-lowest point output of the season.

Out of all three teams, Clark was most surprised by the varsity team gaining momentum throughout the season and making it all the way to the PBYFL championship game.

"This is the group I was kind of worried about," Clark said. "I know they have a lot of first-year players on their team and I thought they were lacking a playmaker. We went out and got this kid, Andre Rushing, who wound up being the fastest kid to ever come through our program. He is just a burner. So, they added him to the mix and they have a kid that really came on and wound up being the defensive player of the year in the league in Davion Dawson. They put those two together and they took off really well."

A few years ago, Clark and his co-athletic director Rodger Eddington had an idea. "If we get all the kids from Big Spring and put them all on the same team, we can win a lot of championships."

In a span of a few hours this Saturday afternoon, the Steers have the potential to win three.

# UTPB DL named Division II Comeback Player of the Year nominee

Special to the Herald

UT Permian Basin defensive lineman John O'Kelley has been named a nominee for the 2019 Mayo Clinic Comeback Player of the Year, the College Sports Information Directors of America, The Associated Press, and the Fiesta Bowl Organization announced Wednesday morning.

O'Kelley suffered a season-ending knee injury last season, ending his promising 2018 season after just four games. The sophomore from Groesbeck, Texas, was coming off a strong freshman season in which he was named the Lone Star Conference Freshman of the Year with 38 tackles, 5.5 sacks, three forced fumbles and four blocked kicks. While rehabbing his knee in the off-season, his father passed away following a long battle with cancer. Despite the injury and personal challenges,

O'Kelley returned for the 2019 opener and is back to form with 29 tackles, 6.5 TFLs, 3.5 sacks and seven QBHs. His best game of the season came in the 48-38 win versus Eastern New Mexico, when he tallied eight tackles, 2.5 TFLs and 1.5 sacks.

"John has been through a lot in his time here. His dad was diagnosed right before he came here on a visit his senior year of high school," said Head Coach Justin Carrigan. "He battled strong this past summer and never skipped a beat, and it's good to have him back on the field. He was able to take that time to get a little bit bigger, stronger, faster. He plays his heart out every single day and it's great to see him get recognized for his efforts."

Ten times during the 2019 college football season, three inspiring student-athletes from all levels of college football, who have overcome injury, illness

or other challenges, will be recognized as Mayo Clinic Comeback Player of the Year Nominees by a panel of writers, editors and sports information directors from CoSIDA, AP and Touchdown Illustrated.

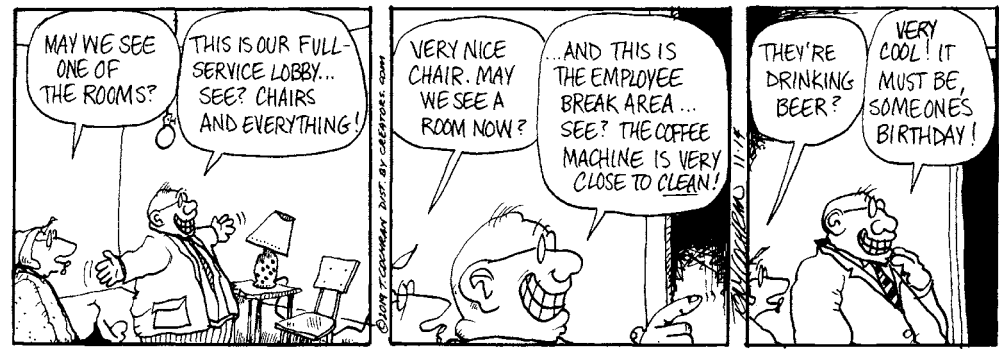
At the end of the season, three of the nominees will be chosen as Mayo Clinic Comeback Player of the Year Award winners and will be recognized at a special ceremony during the College Football Playoff Semifinal at the PlayStation Fiesta Bowl at State Farm Stadium in Glendale, Ariz. Additionally, \$30,000 will be donated in the names of the nine student-athletes selected as finalists to their school's general scholarship fund, with \$15,000 being awarded in the names of the three winners and \$15,000 on behalf of the six named honorable mention.

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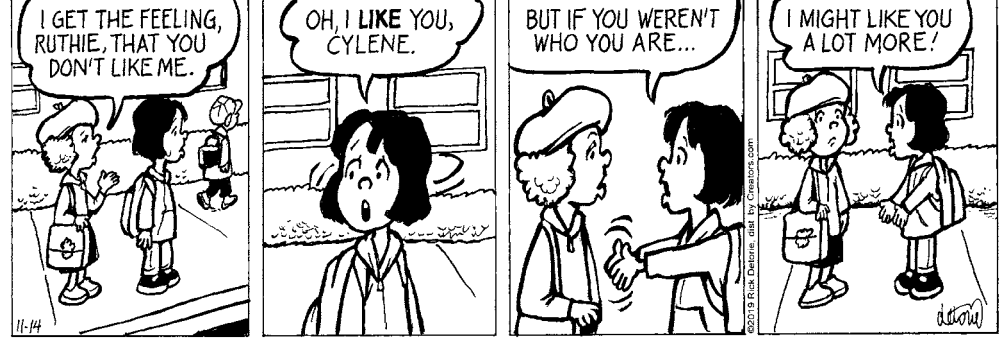
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This Date In History

Today in History

Today is Thursday, Nov. 14, the 318th day of 2019. There are 47 days left in the year. Today's Highlight in History: On Nov. 14, 1972, the Dow Jones Industrial Average closed above the 1,000 level for the first time, ending the day at 1,003.16. On this date: In 1862, during the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln gave the go-ahead for Maj. Gen. Ambrose Burnside's plan to capture the Confederate capital of Richmond; the resulting Battle of Fredericksburg proved a disaster for the Union. In 1907, two renowned children's authors were born: William Steig (styg) ("Shrek") in New York, Astrid Lindgren ("Pippi Longstocking") near Vimmerby, Sweden. In 1910, Eugene B. Ely became the first aviator to take off from a ship as his Curtiss pusher rolled off a sloping platform on the deck of the scout cruiser USS Birmingham off Hampton Roads, Virginia. In 1940, during World War II, German planes destroyed most of the English town of Coventry. In 1943, Leonard Bernstein (BURN'-styn), the 25-year-old assistant conductor of the New York Philharmonic, made his debut with the orchestra as he filled in for the ailing Bruno Walter during a nationally broadcast concert. In 1965, the U.S. Army's first major military operation of the Vietnam War began with the start of the five-day Battle of Ia Drang. (The fighting between American troops and North Vietnamese forces ended on Nov. 18 with both sides claiming victory.) In 1969, Apollo 12 blasted off for the moon. In 1970, a chartered Southern Airways DC-9 crashed while trying to land in West Virginia, killing all 75 people on board, including the Marshall University football team and its coaching staff. In 1986, the Securities and Exchange Commission imposed a \$100 million penalty on inside-trader Ivan F. Boesky and barred him from working again in the securities industry. In 1996, Cardinal Joseph Bernardin (BURN'-uh-deen), the senior Roman Catholic prelate in the United States and leader of Chicago's 2.3 million Catholics, died at his home at age 68. Singer

Michael Jackson married his plastic surgeon's nurse, Debbie Rowe, in a ceremony in Sydney, Australia. (Rowe filed for divorce in 1999.) In 1997, a jury in Fairfax, Virginia, decided that Pakistani national Aimal Khan Kasi (eye-MAHL' kahn KAH'-see) should get the death penalty for gunning down two CIA employees outside agency headquarters. (Five years later on this date, Aimal Khan Kasi was executed.) In 2004, Mahmoud Abbas, successor to Yasser Arafat, escaped unharmed when militants firing assault rifles burst into a mourning tent for the deceased Palestinian leader in Gaza, killing two security guards. Ten years ago: President Barack Obama, on a mission to repair America's global standing, told Asian countries during a speech in Tokyo that he was determined to engage them as equal partners in the economy, diplomacy and security. Five years ago: Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel announced the Pentagon would spend an additional \$10 billion to correct deep problems of neglect and mismanagement within the nation's nuclear forces. During his visit to Asia, President Barack Obama mounted a warm show of support for Myanmar's opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi (ahng sahn soo chee), appearing with the democracy activist on the back porch of her lakeside home. One year ago: Chris Stapleton won four awards, including those for male vocalist, song and single of the year, at the Country Music Association Awards, but Keith Urban took home the top prize, entertainer of the year. Jacob DeGrom of the New York Mets easily won the National League Cy Young Award despite winning just 10 games during the season on a struggling team; the American League award went to Blake Snell of the Tampa Bay Rays, who had pitched fewer innings than any other starting pitcher who had won the award. Today's Birthdays: Actress Kathleen Hughes is 91. For-

mer NASA astronaut Fred Haise is 86. Jazz musician Ellis Marsalis is 85. Composer Wendy Carlos is 80. Writer P.J. O'Rourke is 72. Britain's Prince Charles is 71. Rock singer-musician James Young (Styx) is 70. Singer Stephen Bishop is 68. Blues musician Anson Funderburk is 65. Pianist Yanni is 65. Former U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice is 65. Former

presidential adviser Valerie Jarrett is 63. Actress Laura San Giacomo (JEE'-ah-koh-moh) is 58. Actor D.B. Sweeney is 58. Rapper Reverend Run (Run-DMC) is 55. Actor Patrick Warburton is 55. Rock musician Nic Dalton is 55. Country singer Rockie Lynne is 55. Pop singer Jeanette Jurado (Exposé) is 54. Retired MLB All-Star pitcher Curt Schilling is 53. Rock

musician Brian Yale is 51. Rock singer Butch Walker is 50. Actor Josh Duhamel (du-MEHL) is 47. Rock musician Travis Barker is 44. Contemporary Christian musician Robby Shaffer is 44. Actor Brian Dietzen is 42. Rapper Shyheim is 42. Rock musician Tobin Esperance (Papa Roach) is 40. Actress Olga Kurylenko is 40. Actress-comedian Vanessa Bayer is

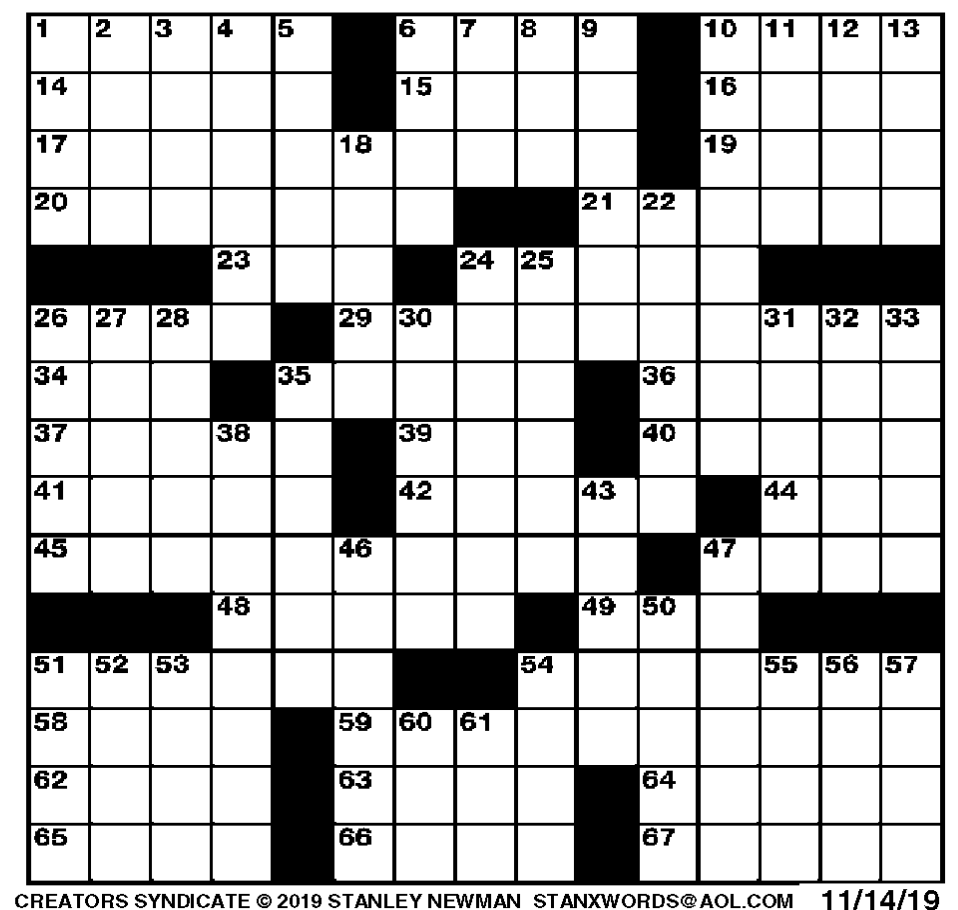
38. Actor Russell Tovey is 38. Actor Cory Michael Smith is 33. Actor Graham Patrick Martin is 28. NHL forward Taylor Hall is 28. Thought for Today: "The world cares very little what you or I know, but it does care a great deal about what you or I do." — Booker T. Washington (1856-1915). © 2019 The Associated Press.

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Sealed proposals addressed to Mr. John Grant, General Manager of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, will be received at the office of the Colorado River Municipal Water District, P.O. Box 869, 400 E. 24th, Big Spring, Texas 79721, until 3:00 PM, **Thursday, November 21, 2019** for the purchase of the following Fleet Vehicle(s):

- Full Size SUV
- ½ Ton Trucks
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At this time and place the proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

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The proposed recycling site is located 10.3 miles west-northwest of Big Spring, Texas in the Bauer & Cockrell, Section 25, Block A survey, Abstract No. 574, Howard County Texas. The proposed disposal site is located on the real property owned by Breakwater Midstream, LLC.

Affected persons may protest this application. Protests must be in writing and must be received by the 15<sup>th</sup> day after that last date of the publication of this notice. The last date of publication of this notice is expected to be November 21, 2019 which means the protests should be received by December 6, 2019.

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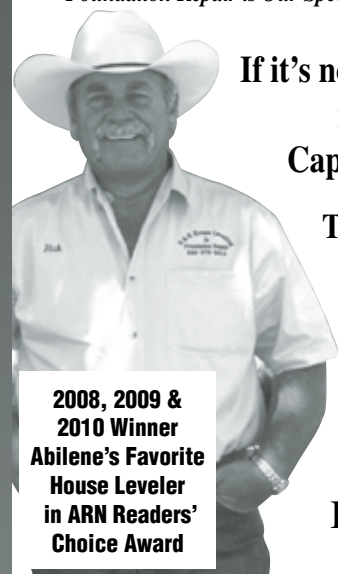
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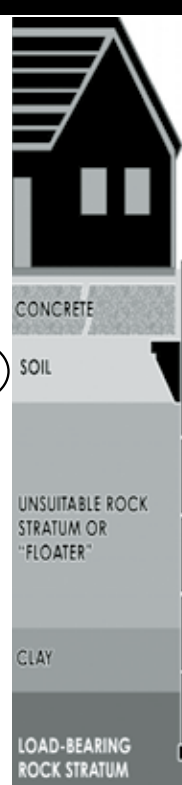
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Annie's Mailbox

I Give So Much More  
Than I Get

Dear Annie: My wife and I feel we are being taken advantage of by our family and friends. I think we have gone over and above with acts of kindness. Some family members don't even talk to us, let alone acknowledge birthdays and holidays. When we went to church recently, the theme of the pastor's homily was that as you give to others, so you will be rewarded.

I have just about had it. The more we do, the less respected we are and the more we are taken advantage of. -- Feeling Used

Dear Feeling Used: Giving should come from wanting to give and the sense of joy you get when you see someone smile in response to your kind acts. Still, if you feel like you are crossing mountains for your friends and they are barely stepping over a log in the forest for you, it might be time to set some clear boundaries about what you will and won't do. There is nothing mean about saying no

sometimes. The meanest thing you can do is over-extend yourself so that you feel resentful. Then you won't be of service to anyone, especially those closest to you -- your family and friends.

Dear Annie: I need to know: What is it with people who don't reply in any way, shape or form -- no phone call, email, text or old-fashioned thank-you card -- for birthday gifts? For years, I have been giving one particular family of three boys generous birthday checks or gift cards. I have yet to get any sort of thank-you.

When the boys were younger, I knew that task fell to their parents, which they never performed. But now that all three of the boys are older and way savvier with technology than I am -- and also have their own computers, tablets and cellphones -- I still don't get thanked. You'd think their parents would give them with the address or phone number they need in order to acknowledge a birthday gift that has been arriving on every birthday since they

were born. -- Just Don't Get It

Dear Just Don't Get It: These boys are the ones who just don't get it. And this situation clearly started with the parents. It is the parents' job to teach their children to show appreciation, and if this important lesson wasn't taught to them when they were young, it's no surprise they aren't showing gratitude as grown adults.

If you really care about continuing to have a relationship with them, you might want to jokingly ask, "Did you get my birthday gifts?" Sending thank-you notes is a nice courtesy to family members, and it's just plain good manners. By being straightforward and talking with them, you could point out that there are many stories about people who were hired for their dream job because they wrote great thank-you notes after an interview. What you appreciate appreciates.

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Tomorrow's Horoscope

BY HOLIDAY MATHIS

often in the spotlight, you're a generous co-star. You share well. You're an excellent audience member or side-kick or interviewer. You give as much attention as you take.



not be a graceful swan-style. Nor will it involve the flailing indecision of a painful belly-flop. Yours will be the contracted tuck-up of a can-

are getting your needs met, power struggles are completely unnecessary to you. So it might be hard for you to relate to those who seem to need to be in control at all times, but you'll give them a wide berth.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Try and remember clearly those weird internal thoughts you're having as you work through the tensions of life. These, more than anything else, are the things you have in common with most of the people around you.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 14). It's all for one and one for all this solar year, and the support is well-earned. Use it. Revel in it. Cherish it. A special relationship grows even closer through a joint challenge. Upgrade and improve with caution and try to stay financially liquid because big opportunities are coming in the spring that you'll want to get in on. Libra and Taurus adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 21, 1, 19 and 40.

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Curiosity and the Cosmos

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You appreciate being among self-driven people who know what they are doing and can turn in a certain product, attitude or outcome very consistently without be told, coerced, bribed, punished or manipulated in any way.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll do things better than you need to. It's a matter of pride. The extra effort is what makes your work remarkable, quite literally, as people will remark on it, and quite favorably so.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You can't change minds by doing the same old thing. With the surprising difference at the heart of your efforts, and also its edges and in the very atmosphere around you, you will succeed.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The hike is worthwhile, no matter how high you climb. You don't have to reach the highest peak to get the benefit of perspective. And whatever altitude you reach will help you and train you for later journeys.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Even though you're

Contract  
Bridge

By Steve Becker  
Putting the pieces together

East dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ 9 8 5 2  
♥ K 7 6 3  
♦ Q 6  
♣ J 4 2

**WEST**  
♠ 10 7 6 4 3  
♥ Q J 8 5 2  
♦ 8  
♣ Q 7

**EAST**  
♠ —  
♥ A 10 9 4  
♦ A 3  
♣ A K 10 9 8 6 3

**SOUTH**  
♠ A K Q J  
♥ —  
♦ K J 10 9 7 5 4 2  
♣ 5

At these tables, the opening lead was invariably the queen of clubs, and the outcome now hinged on what East played to this trick. Some Easts, taking it for granted that the contract was sure to be defeated, didn't give the matter much thought. They played the nine or ten of clubs on the queen, requesting a club continuation. West obliged, whereupon declarer ruffed, drove out the ace of diamonds and took the rest of the tricks for a score of plus 750.

Other Easts wisely attempted to discourage a club continuation by depositing the three of clubs on the first trick. However, all but one West then shifted to the queen of hearts, and again the contract was made.

At the one table where five diamonds was defeated, West thought over his play at trick two very carefully. Clearly, his partner's three of clubs demanded a shift to another suit, but which one?

West reasoned that if the defense had any heart tricks coming, they could not get away, since dummy had no suits that could provide discards. He reasoned further that his partner could hardly be void in hearts, since South hadn't supported North's hearts during the bidding.

There was, however, a possibility that East might be void in spades. So West shifted to a spade at trick two, and East happily ruffed to sink the contract.

The bidding:  
East South West North  
1♣ 2♣ Pass 2♥  
3♣ 4♦ Pass 5♦

Dble  
Opening lead — queen of clubs.  
This freak deal from a pairs tournament produced a wide variety of results, ranging from six hearts doubled by East-West (making with an overtrick after a diamond lead by North) to a diamond partscore for North-South.  
The hand was played at dozens of tables, and the most common contract was five diamonds doubled. Some of those who reached this contract did so following a sequence such as the one shown, while other Souths simply bid five diamonds directly over one club.

Tomorrow: Bidding quiz.  
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SUDOKU

6			8	1	4			
				3		1	4	
			9		2			
							5	
9	1		6					
8			7	9		2		1
1				6	5	3		
4	6					5	8	

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!

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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!

4	1	9	7	6	1	8	3	5
7	8	5	9	6	2	1	3	4
2	6	3	5	9	7	4	8	1
1	9	7	2	8	7	6	4	3
3	7	4	8	5	9	7	1	2
8	5	6	1	4	2	2	9	7
9	3	8	7	2	7	6	1	5
6	4	1	9	3	8	5	2	7
5	2	2	1	4	7	2	6	3

ANSWER:

# Cowboys build model by paying line, Pats win another way

By SCHUYLER DIXON

AP Pro Football Writer

Travis Frederick didn't fully understand the business of football when the Dallas Cowboys drafted their center six years ago and made him an instant starter.

Eventually, the four-time Pro Bowler saw what Dallas was trying to build by using first-round picks on offensive linemen three times in four drafts after never having taken a blocker that high in 22 years under owner and general manager Jerry Jones.

The Cowboys have become consistent winners behind the line with the NFL's highest salary cap figure. While Dallas isn't the only example of a club benefiting from a heavy investment up front, the New England Patriots are several notches higher than Dallas as an elite team with a more frugal approach.

"You'll never see your skill live up to its potential if you're not good on the offensive and defensive lines," Cowboys coach Jason Garrett said. "That's just something I always believed in."

After Garrett took over midseason in 2010 with an aging line, the Cowboys' first pick in the next draft was tackle Tyron Smith ninth overall. Frederick went late in the first round in 2013, and guard Zack Martin in the middle of the opening round a year later.

Dallas hit on all three choices, and therefore had to pay each. That's why the Cowboys top the list of salary cap numbers for offensive lines at \$53 million, according to [overthecap.com](http://overthecap.com).

Since adding Martin to complete the core of the Dallas front, the Cowboys have made the playoffs three times in five seasons — including both years that Ezekiel Elliott won rushing titles.

While Dallas hasn't made the long postseason run that has eluded the franchise since the last of five championships nearly 25 years ago, the two playoff victories in the past five seasons are one more than the Cowboys had the previous 17 years.

"I think we take pride in the group that we put

together," Frederick said. "It didn't come down to the people and the picks for us. We have no control over it. It's not like we as a group have chosen the people that have come in. It's that we as a group have taken the people that have come in and tried to build a group with a standard that we're proud of."

The Patriots are on the verge of a 19th straight winning season despite ranking near the bottom of the league in spending on the offensive line at \$23.8 million. Protecting Tom Brady has been the most important thing on the way to six Super Bowl titles because the running game has generally been secondary.

Two years ago, New England left tackle Nate Solder was perhaps the most-coveted left tackle in free agency, and the Patriots let him go at age 29 and two years removed from a torn biceps. Solder hasn't been the same for the New York Giants, who are 7-19 since signing him.

There is only one lineman, right tackle Marcus Cannon, among the top 10 salary cap figures for the Patriots.

Baltimore, with the NFL's best running quarterback in MVP candidate Lamar Jackson, has the highest-rated line in the NFL, according to Pro Football Focus, while ranking 27th — two spots ahead of the Patriots — in cap spending. Three linemen are on rookie deals, and another is an undrafted free agent.

Oakland coach Jon Gruden has stressed building the offensive line ever since returning to the Raiders before last season. He used a first-round pick to draft left tackle Kolton Miller his first season and took another tackle, Brandon Parker, in the third round.

The Raiders then gave right tackle Trent Brown the richest deal ever for a lineman in free agency last March, signing him to a \$66 million, four-year deal. Oakland also added left guard Richie Incognito in free agency and gave center Rodney Hudson a \$33.75 million, three-year extension before the start of this season.

The moves have paid off as the Raiders have allowed a league-low 37 quarterback pressures

through the first nine weeks, leading to a big rebound season from quarterback Derek Carr for a playoff contender.

"I'm a huge believer in building the offensive line, and you get around that group and watch what's going on and he is the quintessential glue player," general manager Mike Mayock said of Hudson. "We thought it was really important as we continue to develop this offensive line."

While left tackle has long been the highest-paid position because of protecting a QB's blind side, the value of guards has gone up in recent years.

The Cowboys' Martin has the highest annual average among guards after signing a six-year, \$84 million extension with \$40 million guaranteed in 2018. Over the past five years, the average annual salary cap value among the top five right guards has increased 65%.

Tennessee used a first-round pick to get Taylor Lewan in 2014 and made him the highest-paid left tackle at an average of \$16 million per season last year.

The Titans have made the playoffs just once in that span, winning a wild-card game in 2017, and Lewan is fourth in the NFL in penalties this season for a 5-5 team outside the postseason picture at the moment.

"It's crazy. It's horrible," Lewan said. "I cannot get penalties. I'm sorry. There's no need to ask about it because I know I'm an absolute liability when it comes to penalties."

The burden of expectations comes with the heavy investments, but Frederick doesn't think that's why things have paid off for the Cowboys.

"It all really comes down to you doing your job," Frederick said. "It has nothing to do with the fact that they put three first-round picks into it and that you're supposed to be a group that's lived up to some sort of pressure or expectation."

With the line Garrett advocated for building, the pressure is on a coach in the final year of his contract to take the Cowboys further in the playoffs than they've been in a long time.

# Harden scores 47 points, Rockets beat Clippers 102-93

By KRISTIE RIEKEN

AP Sports Writer

James Harden was pestered and harassed on defense by Patrick Beverley for most of Houston's game against the Los Angeles Clippers on Wednesday night.

Despite all of Beverley's antics Harden still scored 47 points and the Rockets outlasted the Clippers 102-93 in a wild game that saw Los Angeles coach Doc Rivers ejected in the fourth quarter.

Afterward, Russell Westbrook was asked about Beverley's defensive effort against Harden.

"Pat Bev trick y'all like he play defense," Westbrook said. "He don't guard nobody, man. It's just running around doing nothing. As you seen what happened — 47. All that commotion to get 47."

Houston was up two with about two minutes left when Beverley, a former Rocket, fouled out. Harden made both free throws before grabbing a rebound on the other end and hitting a 3 to make it 95-88.

Beverley was given a technical foul during a timeout after the play and Harden hit the two free throws.

Rivers was then given two technical fouls and ejected to the delight of son Austin Rivers, the Houston guard who laughed and signaled for the officials to T-up his father. Doc Rivers spent several more seconds screaming at the referees before slowly walking across the court and to the locker room.

Doc Rivers said after the game that he was upset with the officials because of a mix up with the number of timeouts. He said that he tried to challenge a play but that it was past the 30 seconds allotted after a play in which to make a challenge. So they told him he didn't burn a timeout on the challenge and he had two remaining. His ejection came after they said he was out of timeouts when he called the timeout where Beverley received his technical.

"We didn't deserve to win with the way we were playing right now offensively or defensively but mistakes like that cannot happen on this level," Doc Rivers said. "That was awful and the response was to throw me out? I didn't swear. I just said: 'This is nuts.'"

Crew chief Tony Brothers said the Clippers were incorrectly told that they would keep their timeout after it was determined they couldn't challenge a play.

"He was given an opportunity to try to get his composure, but it didn't happen," Brothers said. "He came out onto the floor when we wanted to start re-

suming play. He was given a technical foul. The first one he says: 'I don't care,' and he continued to stay on the floor so he was given a second technical and ejected."

Austin Rivers will still laughing about the situation after the game and tweeted: "Welp.... thanksgiving is going to be weird," before talking to reporters.

"He actually is sensitive with stuff like that so we'll see what happens," Austin Rivers said. "I love him, but it was a really good moment that I enjoyed a lot ... I really enjoyed that. It was fun."

Harden made both free throws before JaMychal Green made a 3 for Los Angeles. But Harden stole the ball from Kawhi Leonard, and Tyson Chandler made a reverse dunk with 37 seconds left to make it 100-91.

Leonard led the Clippers with 26 points, 12 rebounds and seven assists and Lou Williams added 20 points off the bench.

Westbrook added 17 points to help the Rockets win their fifth straight game.

**TIP-INS**

Clippers: F Paul George (shoulder surgery) is getting close to returning and could make his season debut in the next few days. ... Beverley had six points and two rebounds. ... Green had 20 points.

Rockets: G Eric Gordon had arthroscopic surgery on his right knee and is expected to miss about six weeks. Gordon was injured on Monday night against New Orleans and general manager Daryl Morey announced that he had surgery on Wednesday. ... Houston made 14 of 42 3-pointers.

**CAPELA'S NIGHT**

Clint Capela had 12 points and 20 rebounds before going to the locker room with about 4 1/2 minutes remaining after taking a blow to the face while fighting for a rebound. Capela has had at least 20 rebounds in three straight games to become the first Rocket to do that since Moses Malone in 1982.

Coach Mike D'Antoni said after the game that he thought Capela was OK but that he was being evaluated and they'd know more on Thursday.

**THEY SAID IT**

Harden on Houston's defense: "These last five or six games we've been holding teams under 100 points or right at 100 points and that's going to get us where we need to go."

**UP NEXT**

Clippers: At New Orleans on Thursday night.

Rockets: Host Indiana on Friday night.

# Vancouver hosts Dallas after Pettersson's 2-goal game

By The Associated Press

Dallas Stars (9-8-2, fifth in the Central Division) vs. Vancouver Canucks (10-6-3, third in the Pacific Division)

Vancouver, British Columbia; Thursday, 10 p.m. EST

**BOTTOM LINE:** The Dallas Stars visit Vancouver after Elias Pettersson scored two goals in the Canucks' 5-3 victory over the Predators.

The Canucks are 5-4-2 in conference play. Vancouver leads the NHL with 19 power-play goals, led by Bo Horvat with five.

The Stars are 5-1-2 in Western Conference play. Dallas is the last team in the league averaging only 6 points per game. Roope Hintz leads them with 11 total points.

The teams match up Thursday for the first time this season.

**TOP PERFORMERS:** Christopher Tanev leads the Canucks with a plus-seven in 19 games played this season. Pettersson has totaled six goals and seven assists over the last 10 games for Vancouver.

Hintz has recorded 11 total points while scoring nine goals and totaling two assists for the Stars. Joe Pavelski has scored four goals over the last 10 games for Dallas.

**LAST 10 GAMES:** Stars: 8-1-1, averaging 2.9 goals, 4.1 assists, 3.9 penalties and 8.3 penalty minutes while giving up 1.5 goals per game with a .950 save

percentage.

Canucks: 4-3-3, averaging 3.3 goals, 5.6 assists, 3.5 penalties and 7.3 penalty minutes while giving up 2.7 goals per game with a .910 save percentage.

Canucks Injuries: Jay Beagle: day to day (undisclosed).

Stars Injuries: Andrew Coglian: day to day (lower-body), Roope Hintz: out (lower body), John Klingberg: out (lower body).

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