

Upcoming Events

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Christmas Tree Forest Heritage Museum has concluded. Share your favorites from the Tree Forest.

<u>Jan. 25</u>

Silver Wings Ball Tickets now available

Feb. 1 **Big Spring's Got Talent** Applications being accepted.

<u>Feb. 7</u>

Chamber Extravaganza Howard Co. Fairgrounds Nominations for 5 under 55 being accepted.

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Howard County addressing mental health in the jail system

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

Mental health in the jail systems has been an ever increasing problem, especially over the past few years. Two years ago, the Howard County Jail and West Texas Centers joined together to find a solution, in hopes of finding a way to bridge the gap in providing resources and support to offenders in Howard County.

"There was a lot of talk going around, and the common denominator was the jail really needed to find a link to West Texas Centers (previously MHMR) and vice versa; West Texas Centers had clients in here (jail) who needed services," Patricia Watlington, Director of Special Programs, said.

Through a grant, which was discovered by West Texas Centers, the mental health deputy program was able to be launched. According to Patricia

and Sheriff Stan Parker, the grant that was originally utilized was offered by HHSC. While the disconnect was evident, a clear solution wasn't. When West Texas Centers discovered a grant that would allow for the placement of a jail case worker at the Howard County Jail, a fix to the issue at hand began to materialize.

"Originally we did not get the grant," Sheriff Parker said. "The grant only became available after West Texas Center received a grant - which they needed and could utilize - but instead, they went to the state to request a transference of the funding," he said. "While they needed the original grant monies, they knew the need for this mental health deputy program was a priority. After making their request, the state allowed them to switch the grants and in turn kick started the Mental Health Deputy program in Howard County."

With the case worker now able to be assigned to the jail, there was clear link between the Howard County Jail and West Texas Centers. This program has been in evolution for the past eight to 10 years, according to Parker.

"Mental health in the jail system is so large, jails house more persons with mental illness than do the state hospital systems now," he said.

After the program was up and running for about a year, another grant came up, allowing the program to not only continue, but expand.

"It was like you had a blockage coming into the jail and you didn't know what to do with it," Parker said. "That blockage was mental illness patrons and now, through the use of these grants, we have opened the door and have the constant flow and access to much

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Occidental helps equip HCVFD Donation to fund purchase of personal protective equipment

Special to the Herald

Occidental announced a donation to the Howard County Volunteer Fire Department to purchase personal protective equipment. The donation was made earlier in the month, but this past week Occidental representatives stopped by the HCVFD station to visit with a couple of the firefighters and battalion chiefs.

"Occidental is committed to conducting our business in a manner that safeguards our employees, protects the environment and benefits neighboring communities. We share a culture of safety with the first responders in How-See OXY, Page 3A



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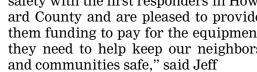
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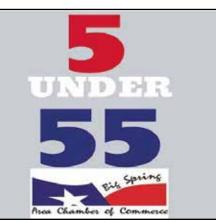
ard County and are pleased to provide Pictured with Howard County Volunteer Fire Firefighters are reprethem funding to pay for the equipment sentatives from Occidental, after making a donation to support the purthey need to help keep our neighbors chase of new protective equipment. From left to right: Tony D'Addieco, Asset Director; Rusty Hanna, Asset Mgr.; Kim Hooper, Assistant Fire Chief; Robert Carey, Battalion Chief, and Cody Wilbanks, Operations Supervisor.

Big Spring Chamber recognizing 5 under 55

By AMANDA DUFORAT

Managing Editor

Big hearts make up Big Spring and throughput the year, the generosity and engagement for the betterment of our community is evident. As a way of recognizing those who give back rou-



tinely and strive to make Big Spring and Howard County better for all residents, The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce is introducing 5 under 55.

"I am excited to be introducing this new award," Manny Negron, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce Past President, said. "This is a new way for us to recognize individuals who are under

55 for their contribution to Big Spring through their leadership and involvement in community."

For more than 30 years now, the Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce has been recognizing the Man and Woman of

the year for their contributions to the community, but the Chamber Board wanted to find a way to recognize

even more of the great works taking place.

"There are many people in Big Spring with a lot of great ideas for making a difference in our community, but it is these individuals. that we will recognize, that put their walk and work behind the idea to make a difference," Negron said.

These are the people in our community who have found

а way to the give back to the community and add to the substance of makes Big Spring, the great city it is,

according to Debbye ValVerde, Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce **Executive Director.**

"We have been wanting to add something like this for sometime now." ValVerde said. "There are a lot of young business professionals who are doing good things for our community; we want to recognize them and the work that they do year round."

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Obituaries

Dean Richters



Dean Richters, 68, of Coahoma. passed away Thursday, Dec. 19, 2019, in a Lubbock hospital. Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 23, 2019, at the First Baptist Church in Big Spring. Interment will follow at Westbrook Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born July 2, 1951, in Big Spring, and married Kathleen Henderson July 11, 1976, in Coahoma.

Dean graduated from Coahoma High School in 1970. He graduated from Sul Ross University with both his Bachelors and Masters degrees. He taught for the Castleberry ISD for a period of time, then worked for AK Construction erecting metal buildings. Dean returned to teaching and coaching for Coahoma ISD for 22 years, retiring in 2011. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and other outdoor sports.

Survivors include his wife, Kathy Richters of Coahoma; three children, Terry McMahan and husband, Rob Pearson of Seattle, WA, Sara Fontana, and Ricky Richters and wife, Lindsey, all of Coahoma; six grandchildren, Dustin Fontana and wife, Alex, and Erin Nicole Fontana all of Lubbock, Kelsey Sanders and husband, Trace, Kacee Allen, Kristin Allen and Braxton Dean Richters all of Coahoma; two sisters, Shirlene Toppings and husband, John of Boerne, and Linda Coates and husband, R. L. of Coahoma; and two brothers, Dwayne Richters and wife, Alice of Alvarado and Don Richters and wife, Susie of Eldorado.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Earnest and Lucille Arnette Richters; and three sisters, Ginger Davis, Madeline Rainey and Veta Lou Spears.

The family suggests memorials to the Dean Richters Memorial Scholarship Fund at Coahoma ISD.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home and Crematory. Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch. com.

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Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activitv:

• KODY MARK BARBER, 21, of 712 Bucknell, was arrested on a charge of possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram), and an outstanding warrant from another agency.

• VANESSA TERESA ALVA-**REZ**, 32, of 1106 S. Johnson St., was arrested on a warrant for no drivers license.

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

Note – Officials with the Howard County Jail reported having 75 inmates at the time of this re-

• VANESSA ALVAREZ, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a war-

Big Spring Fire Department/ EMS reported the following activity:

• PUBLIC SERVICE was reported in the 1600 block of E. 17th St. No transport was required.

• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 200 block of S. Gregg St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Cen-• MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 3700 block of Wasson Rd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• RIKKI GUTIERREZ, 32, of 1900 Martin Luther King Blvd., Apt. 215, was arrested on a charge of assault by contact.

• DAVID ARGUELLO JR., 38, of 3409 CR 25, was arrested on charges of criminal mischief (\$100 to \$750), and evading arrest or detention.

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rant for no driver's license.

• DAVID ARGUELLO JR., 38, was arrested by HCSO on charges of criminal mischief (\$100 to \$750), and evading arrest or detention.

• KODY MARK BARBER, 21, was arrested by BSPD on a warrant for failure to appear-evading



• 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 300 block of Veterans Blvd. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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arrest or detention with a vehicle, and a charge of possession of a controlled substance penalty group 1 (less than one gram).

reported at Owens and 2nd St. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

• PUBLIC SERVICE was reported in the 2300 block of E. 11th Place. No transport was required.

 MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1700 block of Lancaster. No transport was required.

Support Groups

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.

• Al-anon family group meets at 8 p.m. at 615 Settles.

 DivorceCare is a biblical support group for those facing divorce or separation. Each DVD session features nationally respected experts, such as Christian Counselors and Pastors. Small group discussions and workbook exercises help participants apply the information to their own situations. We cover pertinent issues like: • Will I survive? • How to get out of debt. • How do you know when you are ready for a new relationship? • How to lessen the impact of divorce on your children. • Is reconciliation possible?

There is no charge for attendance. 13-week seminars are held two times per year on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. at Trinity Baptist Church in Big Spring. The next session beging Sept. 3, 2019. Visit the DivorceCare Ministry of TBC Facebook page for information. You can also call Donna Burcham at 267-6344 for information on seminar dates and how you can register to attend.

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.

• RIKKI LEE GUTIERREZ, 32, was arrested by BSPD on a charge of assault-Class C.

• The Potton House will be open, beginning Sunday, Dec. 8, and then on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays through the month of December. Hours will be from 1 to 4 p.m. Admission is free, but donations are greatly appreciated. Come see a little bit of Big Spring's history at the historic Potton House.

• VFW Post 2013 meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. New members are being sought. The Post is located at 500 Driver Rd. Qualified veterans, those who have served in a foreign war, who are interested in joining the VFW are encouraged to attend a meeting to find out more

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ed in the 3200 block of Parkway. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

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information.

• A fund has been set up in order to assist Brent Fowlkes with medical expenses. Brent is the husband of Ashley Martin Fowlkes, CEO of Big Spring Education Employees Federal Credit Union. If you would like more information or would like to make a donation, please stop by the credit union located at 1110 Benton, or call 432-263-8393. Please see the tellers to make a donation. Thank

you to everyone for your kindness and support during this difficult time.

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 MEDICAL CALL was reported in the 1200 block of Culp Ave. One person was transported to Scenic Mountain Medical Center.

Kunkle, Chapter #47 of the Disabled American Vets (D.A.V.), meets the third Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at 2204 Runnels Street. For more information, please contact Norman Witcher at 432-413-6663.

• The Big Spring Art Association meets the third Saturday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., in the basement of the Howard County Library. Come join us, we would love to have you.

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needed resources."

According to Sheriff Parker, many of those who fall under this program now don't even get to the jail cell, but instead are diverted to the needed resources to aide in their rehabilitation.

"They get homeless, hungry and etc. and they wind up going to public places and becoming in the public's eyes a nuisance," he said. "Many of them end up committing petty crimes and getting arrested – criminal trespass, petty theft, etc.; now, the mental health deputies can divert those individuals to the resources in the community they need and keep them out of our jail."

He continued, "Now, some do have to come through our jail system because they did commit a serious crime.

"That's where this program comes in, for those who have to come through the jail system and can't be diverted out," Patricia said. "We use the jail screening to identify those who may have a mental illness and do our own assessment based on their needs."

She continued, "For those who do need medication we help them get set up in order to get them stable or help them remain stable. This also helps reducing decompensation so they don't go backwards instead of forwards."

Through the needs assessment the case workers do their due diligence to link the person up with the resources that exist in the community. Most of the time, according to Parker, those who come through are dealing with homelessness, or drug addiction.

"Many of them will steal because they are hungry or they will self medicate because they are homeless , they don't have a safe place to go." When they come across our path, we try to set them up with the resources that can help them break that cycle."

From the Howard County Sheriff's office side, the number of repeat offenders has decreased since the implementation of the program. Also, on the other side, it has provided a hope to those who were becoming routine offenders.

"This program offers them a little bit of hope, allows them to have a chance when they get out," a lot of the time they just don't' feel like they have anywhere to go or any resources available to them. Through this program, we are able to eliminate that thought and link them up to what they are needing.'

After looking at and reviewing collected data, Patricia said the number of those in the jail who had some sort of crisis and never received treatment after being released, decreased by 10 percent - from 78 percent to 68 percent.

"Ten percent is huge, that's 10 out of 100 people and that's big; it makes a difference," Patricia said. "Our goal is to make that number even bigger and help even more people."

While Howard County has been seeing the benefits of this program, it is still in it's infancy stages and there is more work to be done. State wide resources for mental illness for people who commit crimes are shrinking. While the mental hospitals in the state used to be a well-known resource, many of them are on diversion and not accepting patients.

As Patricia mentioned, state hospitals for mental health are really becoming a thing of the past and the jails are becoming the next psychiatric units and unfortunately, if you don't have the resources in the jail there wont' be a solution to any of these problems. The recidivism rates are going to keep cycling out of control and we will just keep seeing the same thing without a solution.

"This program is actually taking some of those who the public may consider a nuisance and removing them from that lifestyle and helping them get turned around to become a productive citizen in the community," Parker said. "Most people are productive, but when they are deep in their mental illness they can't be productive. Once we can get them on proper treatment and a schedule, we can help them find a place to live, a job, and they can sustain life just like the other citizens in the community.'

According to Patricia, there have been several instances when the offenders they see have been self medicating with drugs for their mental illness and we were able to help them, get them in a safer environment and learn coping skills.

"We were able to send some of these offenders to a rehab facility through grants," Parker said. "Patricia has utilized that portion of the program often and the success rate that has been seen is quite good, it's not great."

Patricia added, "There is never a perfect system with humans because we are an art not a science so we just have to build that rapport with people

and eventually they come around. Some are harder than others, but once they see others doing well they begin to want to do better."

Now the program has been established in the community and success stories are starting to come to light, there is time to focus on the areas of opportunity. One of the bigger obstacles for the program and it's ability to increase the success rate is the ability to find affordable housing.

"One of our biggest barriers is housing. If we can continue to educate the community on what we are doing then maybe we will have better luck with having more landlords get on board with the program and work with us and become more receptive," she said.

Part of the program, which allows for a better success rate, is the ability to aide the offender in getting settles in and on their feet. As part of the program, monies are provided for up to three months of rent.

"During the first few months, while we are assisting with rent payments and other necessities, we assist them in finding jobs, "If people are aware of what we are doing then they are more likely to be receptive to the program and what we are trying to accomplish, which in turn helps provide a better success rate."

There have already been a few in the community who have seen the program work first hand and have stepped up to offer their support.

"There are a lot of resources in our community. There is a lot of money in housing right now, but if there are those out there who are willing to offer their resources and support the program then it's one more step to improving our community. Patricia and those involved in the program are doing great things with the available resources and the more resources that are made available the better things they can do."

Reducing recidivism, reducing crisis not only helps the jail and law enforcement, but it helps the community and the resources in the community.

"If we can get ahead and be proactive then we can help reduce some of the strains on the different services offered in town.'

Amanda Duforat is the Managing Editor at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, email <u>editor@</u> bigspringherald.com or call 432-263-7331.

Howard County Commissioners to hold final meeting of 2019

By CINDY PINCH

Staff Writer

A resolution will be made in regards to the declaration of Howard County and it's possible support of the Second Amendment at the final Howard County Commissioners Court meeting. The regularly scheduled meeting will be held Monday, Dec. 23 at 3:30 p.m. The Commissioners will discuss updates to roadway maintenance. In addition to routine agenda items, the court will also discuss and possibly take action on the following:

curity Training Course

- Alon USA Refund for 2018

- Election Precinct Consolidation - Approval of Contract to hold Primary Election Jointly

- Gravity Contract - Permian Basin H2O d/b/a West Texas H2O

- Discussion of Law Enforcement Radio System and take any necessary action

Cindy Pinch is a staff writer at the Big Spring Herald. To contact her, email reporter@bigspringherald.com 55 Continued from Page 1A

Nominations for 5 under 55 can be submitted through the Chamber office or by email by Chamber members in good standing. Nominees do not have to be a Chamber member.

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Bennett Senior Vice President of Occidental's Permian Resources business, which has operations in Howard County.

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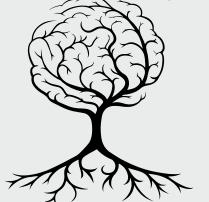
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OPINION



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A visit with the Panhandle Santa Claus

odney Watson of Plain- I have a favor to ask of vou." view is an artist who paints western landscapes. He has also had careers as a museum curator and banker.

The bank where he worked always had a huge Christmas event. Santa Claus was there beside a huge lighted and decorated tree. There were refreshments and customers and non-customers went to the bank around Christmastime. It was a social event. "It was hard to conduct any bank business because of the crowd,' says Rodney.

Rodney sported a full red beard when he went

to work at the bank, but shaved it off because bank officials frowned on their employees having facial hair. Toward the end of Rodney's ten-year tenure at the bank, the bank president approached him with two tickets to a rock concert Rodney had wanted to attend.

The president said, "Take these with my compliments. When you come back from the concert,



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Rodney says he had trouble enjoying the concert because he kept thinking about what the favor would entail. When he got

back, he found out. For several years the bank had a Santa Claus that had done a super job. Rodney says he was fabulous, looked the part and drove a red Cadillac with personalized plates that had the word Santa on them. It seems that Santa was retiring and the **TUMBLEWEED** bank wanted Rodney to assume the role of the bank's Santa Claus.

"I'm a big guy," says Rodney, "well

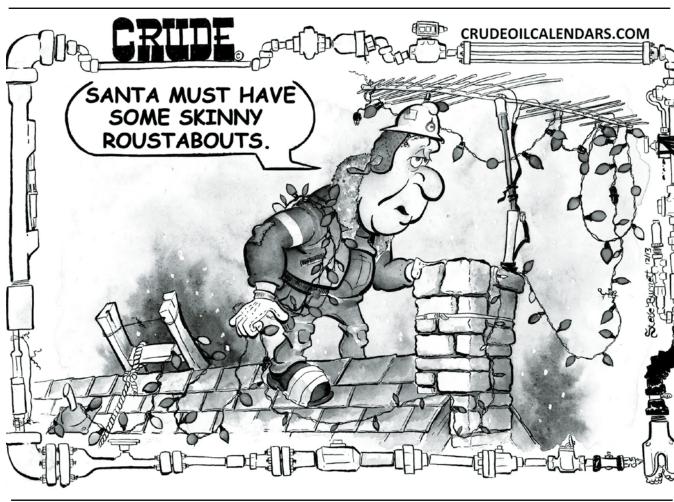
over six feet and around 250 pounds. When I found out I was to be Santa I started growing my beard, this time with the bank's blessing. I discovered my red beard had turned white, so much the better.

I wear it six months on, six months off. My mother made me a custom Santa suit that I didn't let anyone know about until I wore it out in public for the first time."

Rodney left the bank to pursue his art, but continued his Santa work. Because of his popularity as the bank's Santa he was asked to act as Santa Claus at holiday events all over the South Plains and Panhandle. He is busy all during the month of December and has a treasure chest of memories he has made during his several years of playing Santa.

"Once this little 4th grade girl was sitting on my lap and I asked her what she wanted for Christmas. All she wanted was to talk to her brother. I knew immediately this was going to be one of those heartbreak deals. Her father had left and took her brother. She hadn't seen him or talked to him in eight months.

Me being a big old teddy bear anyway, I listened to her story, gave her a big hug and told her I would say a prayer for her. Next year that same little girl was sitting in my lap and I asked her if she ever got to talk to her brother. She looked at me with the biggest surprise on her face that I would remember her and she said yes she did. We were both in tears and she gave me a dollar bill. I told her to put it in the collection plate at church."



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ven novices in US History know that our country was discovered by Christopher Columbus in 1492.

On a far more personal note, Beverly Hindman--an 82-year-old widow in Burleson, TX-recently collected important "puzzle pieces," greatly clarifying her family history to date. Now, 527 years after America's discovery,

she's made one of her own. After exhaustive research, she has learned that she has an older brother, and several other new relatives.

Her pilgrimage is at once heartwarming and inspiring. She and her 90-yearold brother, George Shepard, embraced for the first time ever when Bev and daughter Ruthie deplaned recently in Chicago for a week-long visit.

Retired owner of a highly successful Chevrolet dealership, he was an immediate participant in a REUNION worthy of capital letters! They shared enough family history to "tide them over" until they meet again early in 2020 at his winter home in Florida. That's where he and wife Lorraine, 87, spend winters.

Something in them must always have urged "forge on," first and foremost being God's Providence along the way.

They don't know if they had the same father, but they had the same birth mother. Clara, of Lithuanian origin, was plagued with both physical and emotional disorders, and reportedly was incapable of rearing children.

Mercifully, he was placed in a

Jewish orphanage during infancy....

Each could easily have played the "poor me" card. Neither did. They have no memory of their

birth mother, but Beverly remembers a single phone call from her 61 years ago.

Nervous and rambling during the brief conversation, Clara mentioned having a son earlier, but wouldn't provide a name or

> contact information. It was difficult to separate Clara's truth from make-believe, so the claim was discounted.

Spotty known history suggests that Beverly's Jewish mother had various menial jobs. Soon after Beverly's birth, her mother saw an ad for a babysitter on Chicago's Second Baptist Church's bulletin board.

As an infant, she was left at "babysitter" Bertha Reed's home.

Beverly's mom didn't show up again for a month. "Either take her or let me adopt her," Bertha understandably demanded.

That's when Bev's last name changed from "Grousd" to "Reed."

George was reared by a loving couple who wanted to adopt him, but never had his mom's permission. The couple's last name was "Shepard," and that's the name he chose. The dealership was "Shepard Chevrolet." After one year, George purchased his partner's interest, and he was sole owner for the next 35 years.

In a loving family environment, Bev attended the same high school where George had been eight years earlier.

She completed nursing school,

marrying Ralph Hindman, another Chicagoan, in 1960. Some 17 years later, the family (including sons Mark and Steve and daughter Ruthie) moved to Fort Worth where Hindman work in the chemistry field. He died in 1996.

Upon moving to Texas, Beverly received both her bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing from UT-Arlington in 1980 and 1982, respectively. She dreamed of teaching in the Tarrant County College Nursing Program, and served there for 22 years until her 2011 retirement.

Beverly began her quest by searching for her original birth certificate about 10 years ago. The trail was long and winding, including tons of correspondence.

At the final "stop," a case worker for Confidential Intermediary Service of the Illinois Adoption Registry and Medical Information Exchange provided much official information, including the name and location of Beverly's brother! Beverly's mind is boggled. So is mine, and maybe yours, too.

Her friends at Burleson First Baptist Church are "abuzz" with Bev's news of finding her brother.

In this--as well as in all else--we all are brothers and sisters in the family of God. No doubt, Beverly and George will have a merry Christmas. Hopefully, you will, too!

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Courtesy photos Runnels: Α Classical **Christian Academy spread** some Christmas cheer on Thursday, Dec. 19. Students from the academy went Christmas caroling at Spring Town Plaza, where these pictures were taken, and also to Park Place **Retirement.** The students looked absolutely adorable in their vintage costumes. Merry Christmas from the students at Runnels. The students dressed up in traditional caroling attire and shared their voice talents with several throughout the community, spreading Christmas cheer to those who stopped and listened to the music.







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Notre Dame Cathedral to miss first Christmas in centuries By THOMAS ADAMSON

Associated Press

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PARIS (AP) — Notre Dame kept Christmas going even during two world wars — a beacon of hope amid the bloodshed.

Yet an accidental fire in peacetime finally stopped the Paris cathedral from celebrating Midnight Mass this year, for the first time in over two centuries.

As the lights stay dim in the once-invincible 855-year-old landmark, officials are trying hard to focus on the immediate task of keeping burned out Notre Dame 's spirit alive in exile through service, song and prayer.

It has decamped its rector, famed statue, liturgy and Christmas celebrations to a new temporary home pending the restoration works, just under a mile away, at another Gothic church in Paris called Saint-Germain l'Auxerrois.

And there it will remain, as works slowly progress to rebuild the cathedral after the April 15 fire destroyed its lead roof and spire and was moments away from engulfing its two stone towers.

"This is the first time since the French Revolution that there will be no midnight Mass (at Notre Dame)," cathedral rector Patrick Chauvet told The Associated Press.

There was even a Christmas service amid the carnage of World War I, Chauvet noted, "because the canons were there and the canons had to celebrate somewhere," referring to the cathedral's clergy. During World War II, when Paris was under Nazi occupation, "there was no problem."

He said that to his knowledge, it was only closed for Christmas in the period after 1789, when the anti-Catholic French revolutionaries turned the monument into "a temple of reason."

Christmas-in-exile Saint-Germain at l'Auxerrois this year will be a history-making moment.

"We have the opportunity to celebrate the Mass outside the walls, so to speak... but with some indicators that Notre Dame is connected to us," Chauvet said.

Those indicators include a wooden liturgical platform that has been constructed in the Saint-Germain church to resemble Notre Dame's own. A service will be led at midnight on Dec. 24 by Chauvet to a crowd of faithful, including many who would normally worship in the cathedral, accompanied by song from some of Notre Dame's now-itinerant choir.

The cathedral's iconic Gothic sculpture "The Virgin of Paris," from which some say Notre Dame owes its name, is also on display in the new annex.

The 14th-century masterpiece, which measures around two meters (six feet) and depicts Mary and baby Jesus, has come to embody the officials' message of hope following the fire.

"It's a miraculous virgin. Why? Because at the time of the fire, the vault of the cathedral completely crashed. There were stones everywhere, but she was spared. She could have naturally received the vault on her head and have been completely crushed," Chauvet said.

He recalled the moment on the night of the fire when he discovered it was saved, as he was holding hands with French President Emmanuel Macron on the cathedral's forecourt. Around midnight as the flames subsided, they were finally let inside to look. Chauvet pointed and exclaimed to Macron: "Look at the Virgin, she is there!"

He said later that Notre Dame's workmen on the ground implored him to not remove the statue from the cathedral, saying that during the restoration "we need it. She protects us."

Chauvet said having it nearby for Christmas is comforting.

"She lived very much in Notre Dame. She watched the pilgrims, all the 35,000 visitors a day ... It keeps us going," Chauvet said.

Another reason for hope: Since November, after months in the dark, the facade of the cathedral is being lit up after dusk for the first time since the fire. Tourists over the festive period can now see the famed gargoyles and stone statues at night in their full illuminated splendor from the adjacent bridges, although the forecourt is still closed.

Cathedral officials carefully chose Saint-Germain l'Auxerrois as the new temporary home because of its proximity to Notre Dame, just next to the Louvre, allowing ease of movement for clerics who lived near the cathedral. Also, because of its prestigious history.

It was once a royal church that boasted among its faithful French kings, in the days when they lived in the nearby Louvre Palace. The kings, Chauvet explained, would simply cross the esplanade to come and attend Mass.

Since September, the church has been welcoming the cathedral's flock each Sunday.

Though Notre Dame has moved liturgically to a new home, Notre Dame will always remain Paris' cathedral so long as the bishop's physical chair, or "cathedra" doesn't move.

Derived from the Greek word for "seat," a cathedral's entire identity technically boils down to the presence of a chair.

"The cathedra is at the cathedral and so it remains Notre Dame Cathedral, which is the cathedral in the heart of Paris," Chauvet said. It is not only the faithful who have been displaced since April's blaze.

Notre Dame was home to a vibrant 160-strong choir-school, which provided singers for each of the cathedral's some 1,000 annual services. Midnight Mass at Christmas was always a special event in the year: One of the rare times the entire choir sung together and used the cathedral's famed acoustics to their fullest.

Instead of disbanding, this now-homeless chorus of singers, ranging in age from 6 to 30, has too honed an upbeat message and decided to continue on in a divided form. Different sections of the choir put on concerts in churches, such as Saint-Eustache and Saint-Sulpice, in Paris and beyond. On Christmas Eve, its members will sing at various yuletide events, including at Saint-Germain l'Auxerrois, as well as, bizarrely, at the Russian Circus.

But don't mention the term choir-in-exile to one of the choir's directors, Henri Chalet.

"I'd rather use 'beyond the walls'... 'Exile' brings it back to sadness. Obviously, there is a lot of sadness and desolation for us to no longer be in our second home. But there is also a lot of hope because it is only a phase," Chalet said.

In the grand scheme of things, five or six years of restoration for an 855-year-old cathedral "is nothing at all," Chalet reasoned. Macron declared in the days after the blaze it would take a mere five years to restore the cathedral -atime line many experts deem unrealistic.

Notre Dame choir singer Mathilde Ortscheidt, 29, left a little more space for melancholy as she regretted her absence at last year's Midnight Mass.

"To think that I was ill last Christmas... thinking that I would go again this year with no problem!" she said.

On the first rehearsal she attended after the blaze, she said she "felt such a pain and such sadness" because the cathedral was where she began as a singer.

For the singers, the unique acoustics produced by the cathedral's massive dimensions are sorely missed.

"When we balanced it right, it was the most beautiful feeling of just hearing it resonate through this enormous space," Ortscheidt said.

Despite having "to walk around a lot now," people have got used to the choir's new lifestyle, she said, and it was just a matter of time before there will be song in the cathedral once again.

In the meantime, "the important thing for us is that we keep on singing and doing the music. That's what brings us together."

Police looking for Texas mom | Palace: Prince Philip in hospital as precautionary measure

say body found, arrest made

By PAUL WEBER

Associated Press

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Texas authorities investigating the disappearance of a 33-year-old mother and her 1-month-old daughter said Friday that an infant girl was found safe at a home near Houston, and that another person was in custody on charges of kidnapping and tampering with a corpse.

Austin police said a body was found at the home but have not confirmed whether it was Heidi Broussard, an Austin woman who has been missing for more than a week. The Austin Police Department said DNA testing is underway to determine whether the baby found at the home is Broussard's daughter, Margo Carey.

The baby was found "healthy" and is in the care of Texas Child Protective Services, according to police. They did not immediately release the name of the person arrested.

Authorities have scheduled a 2 p.m.

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news conference in Austin.

Tammy Broussard told NBC News that she was told by police that the body is likely that of her daughter, Heidi Broussard, and that the body was found in the trunk of a car at the home in Jersey Village about 130 miles (209 kilometers) southeast of Austin.

Tammy Broussard said she was told by police that her granddaughter was found in good condition.

Cy-Fair Fire Department Lt. Daniel Arizpe told KPRC-TV that a 1-monthold girl found at the home was taken to a hospital for treatment but had "no obvious injuries or problems."

FBI agents from Houston were also at the scene. The agency later referred questions to Austin police.

Heidi Broussard and her newborn daughter were last seen Dec. 12 in Austin when Broussard dropped a child at an elementary school that morning.

LONDON (AP) – Prince Philip, the husband of Queen Elizabeth II, was admitted to a London hospital Friday "as a precautionary measure," Buckingham Palace said.

The palace said the 98-year-old Philip was admitted to the King Edward VII hospital for observation and treatment of a preexisting condition.

"The admission is a precautionary measure, on the advice of His Royal Highness' Doctor," the palace said in a statement.

Philip had been at the royal family's Sandringham estate in eastern England, where the queen and her family usually spend Christmas. The palace said Philip didn't travel by ambulance and his admission wasn't an emergency. He is expected to be in hospital for a few days.

The 93-year-old queen traveled to Sandringham from London on Friday morning after attending the State Opening of Parliament in London on Thursday. She did not change her schedule after her husband's hospital admission, which was planned in advance.

The private King Edward VII hospital in central London has been treating members of the royal family for decades.

Philip, also known as the Duke of Edinburgh, married Elizabeth in 1947 and is the longest-serving royal consort in British history. He and the queen have four children, eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

A former naval officer and keen polo player, Philip enjoyed robust health well into old age but has had a number of health issues in recent years. He stopped attending public engagements in 2017.

In 2011, he was rushed to a hospital by helicopter from Sandringham after suffering chest pains and treated for a blocked coronary artery.

In 2017, he spent two nights in the King Edward VII hospital and was hospitalized for 10 days in 2018 for a hip replacement.

Philip was forced to give up driving earlier this year, at the age of 97, after smashing into a car while driving a Land Rover near Sandringham in January. Philip needed help to get out of the vehicle but wasn't injured. One woman in the car suffered a broken wrist.

He still drives a horse and carriage on private land from time to time.



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New Locations: Howard County		Ryan Emery, Regulatory Specialist (281) 589-5200 Datum: NAD 83	Total Depth: 8950 feet Latitude 032.310718, Longitude -101.391021.
Surge Operating, LLC NA	#5SH Allred Unit "B 08-05", drill horizontal, El:		330' FNL, 331' FEL of 651.83-acre lease 300' FNL, 2500' FWL of the survey
7850 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West Houston, TX 77064-0000	Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-40485 1.97 miles northeast of Knott A 236 Continue 17 Place 22 T 2 N TSP PB Consumption	Surge Operating, LLC	#5SH Middleton Unit "B 47-38", drill horizontal,
Gayle Foord, Regulatory Analyst (832) 333-2332	A-326, Section 17, Block 33, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9000 feet	El: ÑA 7850 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West	Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-40102
Datum: NAD 27	Latitude 032.421315, Longitude -101.618202. 316' FNL, 2172' FEL of 650.25-acre lease 316' FNL, 2172' FEL of the survey	Suite 300 Houston, TX 77064-0000 Gayle Foord, Regulatory Analyst (832)333-2332_	2.51 miles southwest of Vealmoor A-1007,Slection 38,Block 33,T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9000 feet Latitude 032.487571, Longitude -101.583676.
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40404 2000 W. Sam Houston Pkwy South Suite 2000 Houston, TX 77042-0000	Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA 19.60 miles northwest of Big Spring A-343, Section 19, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey	Grenadier Energy Partners II, LLC 24 Waterway Ave., Suite 875	368' FNL, 2320' FEL of the survey #5WA Walker-DRRC "30-56" West Unit, drill horizontal Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, El: NA, API #42-
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	340' FNL, 616' FWL of 527.47-acre lease 340' FNL, 2004' FEL of the survey Rule 37 Exception	survey (512) 327-8111	Total Depth: 15,000 feet X=805448, Y=300272. Datum: NAD 27 247' FNL, 330' FWL of 320.61-acre lease 247' FNL, 2377' FEL of the survey
Callon Petroleum Operating Co.	#9SH Horton Unit, drill horizontal, API #42-227-	Grenadier Energy Partners II, LLC NA	#5LS Walker-DRRC "30-56" West Unit, drill horizontal, El:
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Ryan Emery, Regulatory Specialist (281) 589-5200 Datum: NAD 83	Total Depth: 8900 feet Latitude 032.305694, Longitude -101.400143.	(512) 327-8111	Total Depth: 15,000 feet X=805847, Y=300281. Datum: NAD 27 242' FNL, 344' FWL of 320.61-acre lease
	310' FNL, 617' FWL of 527.47-acre lease 310' FNL, 2003' FEL of the survey Rule 37 Exception	Callon Petroleum Operating Co.	247' FNL, 2337' FEL of the survey #3AH Wright Unit "29-20', drill horizontal, EI: NA
Surge Operating, LLC	#5MH Allred Unit "B 08-05", drill horizontal, El:	2000 W. Sam Houston Pkwy South Suite 2000	Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-40440 19.21 miles northwest of Big Spring
NA 7850 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West Suite 300 Houston, TX 77054 0000	Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-40486 1.97 miles northeast of Knott	Houston, TX 77042-0000 Ryan Emery, Regulatory Specialist (281) 589-5200 Return NAD 82	A-348, Section 29, Block 33, T-3-N,T&P AR Co. survey Total Depth: 8950 feet Latitude 032.293541, Longitude -101.38261.
Houston, TX 77064-0000 Gayle Foord, Regulatory Analyst (832) 333-2332 Datum: NAD 27	A-326, Section 17, Block 33, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 9000 feet Latitude 032.421249, Longitude -101.618182.	Datum: NAD 83	334' FSL, 640' FWL of 640-acre lease 334' FSL, 1999' FEL of the survey
	341' FNL, 2172' FEL of 650.25-acre lease 341' FNL, 2172' FEL of the survey Rule 37 Exception	Callon Petroleum Operating Co. 2000 W. Sam Houston Pkwy South Suite 2000 Houston, TX 77042-0000	19.21 miles northwest of Big Spring A-348, Section 29, Block 33, T-3-N,T&P RR Co. survey
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Suite 2000 Houston, TX 77042-0000 Ryan Emery, Regulatory Specialist	19.60 miles northwest of Big Spring A-343, Section 19, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey Total Depth: 8950 feet	Datúm: NAD 83	304' FSL, 683' FWL of 675.5-acre lease 304' FSL, 2000' FEL of the survey Rule 37 Exception
(281) 589-5200 Datum: NAD 83	Latitude 032.305723, Longitude -101.400151. 280' FNL, 618' FWL of 527.47-acre lease 280' FNL, 2002' FEL of the survey Rule 37 Exception	Callon Petroleum Operating Co. 2000 W. Sam Houston Pkwy South Suite 2000 Houston, TX 77042-0000 Ryan Emery, Regulatory Specialist	19.21 miles northwest of Big Spring A-348, Section 29, Block 33, T-3-N,T&P RR Co. survey
SM Energy Company NA	#4546WA Viper Foster "C", drill horizontal, El:	(281) 589-5200 Datum: NAD 83	Latitude 032.293483, Longitude -101.382596.
6301 Holiday Hill Road Midland, TX 79707-0000 Jill Hamilton, Regulatory Tech	Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-40489 15.50 miles northeast of Big Spring A-1154, Section 14, Block 31, T-2-N, T&P RR Co.		274' FSL, 637' FWL of 640-acre lease 274' FSL, 2002' FEL of the survey Rule 37 Exception
survey (432) 848-4855	Total Depth: 9000 feet X=798626, Y=314765. Datum: NAD 27	SM Energy Company NA	#2750WA Laurie Cathey "C", drill horizontal, El:
	602' FNEL, 4881' FSEL of 1,285.3-acre lease 602' FNEL, 459' FNWL of the survey Rule 37 Exception	6301 Holiday Hill Road Midland, TX 79707-0000 Jill Hamilton, Regulatory Tech	Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-39722 11.50 miles northwest of Big Spring A-575, Section 26, Block A, Bauer & Cockrell
SM Energy Company El: NA	#1447WA Viper McMurphy "D", drill horizontal,	survey (432) 848-4855	Total Depth: 10,000 feet X=714945, Y=253610. Datum: NAD 27
6301 Holiday Hill Road Midland, TX 79707-0000 Jill Hamilton, Regulatory Tech	Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-40490 15.50 miles northeast of Big Spring A-1154, Section 14, Block 31, T-2-N, T&P RR Co.		370' FSEL, 193' FNEL of 3,520-acre lease 370' FSEL, 193' FNEL of the survey Rule 37 Exception
survey (432) 848-4855	Total Depth: 9000 feet X=798597, Y=314757. Datum: NAD 27	Callon Petroleum Operating Co. 227-40500	#4AH Open Unit "A4", drill horizontal, API #42-
	632' FNEL, 5774' FNWL of 1,285.3-acre lease 632' FNEL, 461' FNWL of the survey Rule 37 Exception	2000 W. Sam Houston Pkwy South Suite 2000 Houston, TX 77042-0000	18.84 miles northwest of Big Spring A-312, Section 21, Block 33, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Surge Operating, LLC NA	#4SH Allred Unit "A 08-05", drill horizontal, El:	Ryan Emery, Regulatory Specialist (281) 589-5200 Datum: NAD 83	Total Depth: 8000 feet Latitude 032.170893, Longitude -101.311442.
7850 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West Suite 300 Houston, TX 77064-0000	Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-40487 1.97 miles northeast of Knott A-326, Section 17, Block 33, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey	Datum. NAD 03	323' FNL, 321' FEL of 565.21-acre lease 2367' FSL, 1638' FEL of the survey Rule 37 Exception
Gayle Foord, Regulatory Analyst (832) 333-2332 Datum: NAD 27	Total Depth: 9000 feet Latitude 032.421182, Longitude -101.618163.	Callon Petroleum Operating Co.	*5AH Open Unit "A5", drill horizontal, API #42-
Datum: NAD 27	366' FNL, 2172' FEL of 652.5-acre lease 366' FNL, 2172' FEL of the survey Rule 37 Exception	227-40501 2000 W. Sam Houston Pkwy South Suite 2000 Houston, TX 77042-0000	18.84 miles northwest of Big Spring A-312, Section 21, Block 33, T-1-N, T&P RR Co. survey
Surge Operating, LLC	#4MH Allred Unit "A 08-05", drill horizontal, El:	Ryan Emery, Regulatory Specialist (281) 589-5200	Total Depth: 8000 feet Latitude 032.170835, Longitude -101.311424.
NA 7850 N. Sam Houston Pkwy West Suite 300 Houston, TX 77064-0000	Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-40488 1.97 miles northeast of Knott A-326, Section 17, Block 33, T-2-N, T&P RR Co. survey	Datúm: NAD 83	383' FNL, 321' FEL of 565.21-acre lease 2307' FSL, 1638' FEL of the survey Rule 37 Exception
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A-1245, Section 20, Block 33, T-3-N, T&P RR Co. survey
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12.80 miles northeast of Coahoma A-22, Section 17, Block 25, H&TC RR Co. survey Total Depth: 6500 feet Latitude 032.482181, Longitude -101.283480. HighPeak Energy Holdings, LLC 421 W. 3rd, Suite 1000 Fort Worth, TX 76102-0000 Austin Koble, Consultant (512) 478-3456 Datum: NAD 27 273' FNL, 623' FWL of 800-acre lease 273' FNL, 1990' FEL of the survey Rule 37 Exception #1A-6H Bigby "17-29 B" Unit, drill horizontal, EI: NA Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, API #42-227-40483
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5-1/2" @ 16,760 feet w/ 1,750 sx.; 2-7/8" @ 5663 feet Perfs: 6699-16,689 6699-16,689: Frac w/ 217,087g acid + additives, 20,994,251g water + additives and 19,795,090# San Andres 2487 Clear Fork 3340' Spraberry 4929' Dean 6817' Wolfcamp 6263' There are no New Gas Completions this week. **Menard County** Byrd Operating Company Dany Mae (Lower Cisco "A") Field API #42-327-31249 Spud: 9-18-19 #1 Russell "37" 9 miles northeast of Fort McKavett A-321, Section 37 J.H. Gibson survey Total Depth: 4054 feet 1993' FNL, 2400' FEL of the survey 368 feet of 8-5/8" left in the hole. Plugged: 11-01-19 Latitude 032.310776, Longitude -101.391038. **Runnels County** Golden Oil & Ranch, LLC Wildcat Field #3A McNeill 6.70 miles northeast of Norton A-662, J.E. Mills survey Total Depth: 4600 feet 332' FNL, 1131' FEL of the survey 224.67 feet of 8-5/8"left in the hole. API #42-399-35574 Spud: 9-04-19 Plugged: 9-10-19 #21H Dunkin Unit "A2", drill horizontal, API #42-

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Lady Buffs take care of Roscoe 40-27

Herald Sportswriter

In their last game before the holiday break, the Forsan Lady Buffs played hard and will head into the break on a two-game winning streak after a 40-27 win over Roscoe at home.

"I thought our defense led our offense a little bit," Lady Buffs head coach Lloyd Vedder said. "We changed some things up defensively. They were talking and getting hands on the ball. That's two games in-a-row where we've gotten our hands on the ball and that helped."

Forsan used time-of-possession and ball control to tire out their opponent and forced a timeout less than two minutes into the game. With clean passes that often found the open player near the three-point line, the Lady Buffs were able to score quickly and jumped out to a 16-8 lead heading into the second quarter.

Plowgirls to get a good shot on basket. Friday afternoon. With their own version of a trap de-



HERALD Photo/Shawn Moran

On the defensive side of the ball, the Forsan Lady Buffs guard Taryn Spivey waits in the corner near the Lady Buffs made it difficult on the three-point line during her team's 40-27 win over the Plowgirls on

fense, Vedder and his crew grabbed double-digit steals and were extremely active on the defensive side of the ball.

"I'm really happy with our intensity on defense," Vedder said. "We were talking a lot out there. We're going to keep putting more pressure until we play some people that we can't."

Starting guard Rylee Evans was on fire in this matchup, scoring a team-high 18 points while also collecting four rebounds, three assists, and four steals. As the season has progressed, Vedder is starting to see the leadership on the court come to fruition.

"I saw Rylee on the court go and talk to her teammate the other day when the girl was hot," Vedder said. "The offense we usually run, Rylee runs it. (Rylee)

both sides of the ball and will be a team to watch when 2020 comes.

"Going from one kid with varsity experience to seeing them progress, I'm liking what I'm seeing," Vedder said. "We still have a lot of room for improvement."

UP NEXT: The Forsan Lady Buffs will be back in action Jan. 2 against New Deal at Klondike HS.

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Big Spring Lady Steers fall to Cooper 45-25 at home



went over and let her run it because she was hot. Today, she sees a mismatch with Aubrey on a pick-and-roll and she went and talked to her. That's being a leader. We're starting to recognize some things which makes it a lot better."

While Forsan did lead the game from the opening tip until the final buzzer, Roscoe was able to stop the Lady Buffs fast-break on multiple occasions and also forced Forsan into bad passes and turnovers.

Heading into the fourth quarter holding a 34-18 lead, the strategy changed for the Lady Buffs and they went into time-killing mode.

"It was our same dribble-drive offense but I wanted to see us take care of the ball," Vedder said. "If a path presents itself to the basket, then take it. But if not, then just keep milking the clock."

Following the win, Forsan (8-9) is now one game under .500 for the season and is taking a two-game winning streak into the break. After an inconsistent start to the season, this group seems to be finding their rhythm on

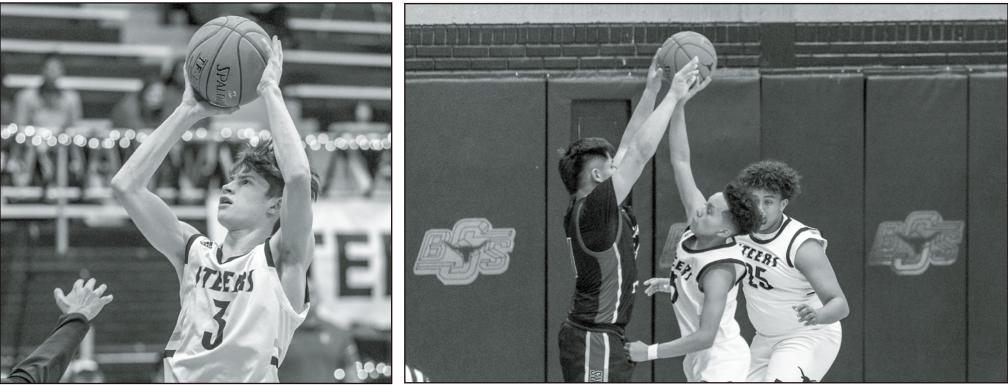
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Courtesy Photo/Tony Claxton (claxtonphotography.com) Pictured above left: Ryen Terrazas blocks a shot by a Cooper player. Pictured above right: Senior Trinity Galloway goes up for a wide-open layup during Friday night's home loss.

Steers dominate Fort Stockton 72-51 at home on Friday night



Courtesy Photo/Tony Claxton (claxtonphotography.com) Pictured above left: Gavin Greathouse takes a jumpshot during the big win. Pictured above right: Chris Martinez makes a big block on a Fort Stockton shot.



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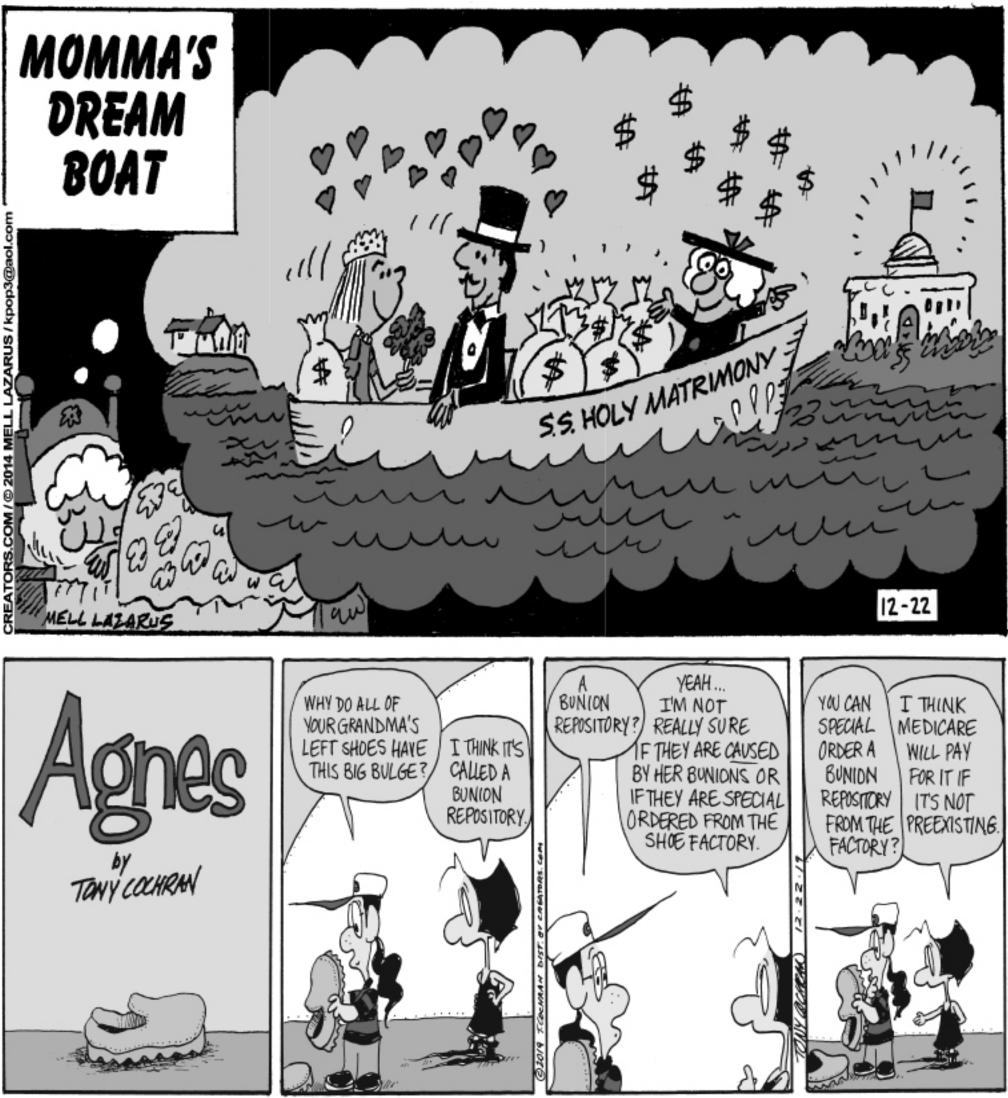
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The Big Spring Symphony and Orchestra joined with the Midland Festival Ballet for the presentation of The Nutcracker, on Dec. 14. The joint performance is held every two years at the Municipal Auditorium. The next performance will be in 2021.

The Big Spring Symphony and Orchestra has two more performances in the current Symphony season; tickets can be purchased around town including at The Big Spring Area Chamber of Commerce, The Karat Patch, and several other locations.



All Howard County Schools are on Christmas Break. Lunch Menus will return in 2020!

Senior Citizen Center Menu

Monday: Steak Fingers, gravy, French fries, carrots, cookies, bread nilk

Tuesday: Closed for Christmas Eve

Wednesday: Closed for Christmas Day

Thursday: Breaded chicken sandwich, lettuce and tomato, macaroni

salad, baked chips, peaches, milk

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Friday: Corn dog, mustard, sweet potato fries, fruit, milk

Small appliances, gadgets, food prep tools among items to consider

The holidays are a favorite time of year for those who cook, and Christmas is an excellent time to consider getting the cook in your life a kitchen gift to enjoy and use for years to come.

kitchen gift for Christmas as not particularly the romantic, fact is serious or aspiring cooks don't mind and might even prefer – getting something practical and useful to make their meal preparation easier and more enjoyable,' said Odessa Keenan, Texas



A&M AgriLife Extension Service program assuring cups

sistant for the agency's Healthy Texas program. Keenan said there is a wide variety of kitchen appliances, tools, gadgets and other items of different types, designs and costs, so it's important to identify just what is needed and determine how much you are willing to spend.

"Another thing to consider is if you can and want to personalize the gift in some way, such as gifting a wooden cutting board with the person's name or initials on it," she said. "There are also some colorful, interesting and fun versions of kitchen utensils or tools out there that may appeal to your cook's personality or sense of style."

Small Kitchen Appliances/Gadgets

Keenan said there several small kitchen appliances and gadgets made to save time, perform specialized tasks and/or take some of the drudgery out of meal preparation.

"This might be a good time to get your cook a new gadget or possibly upgrade one that has Cast iron skillet seen better days," Keenan said. "If you know of some foods he or she cooks on a regular basis and there's an appliance or gadget you know of that can help prepare or cook these more efficiently or effectively, that might be a good choice for a gift.

Keenan added with more cooks also focusing on how their food looks and how it is presented to their guests, even more specialized tools may be required for their preparation. Preparation "While some people may think of getting a tools can also help cooks keep holiday meals

healthy.

Some of the items she suggested as possible gifts for preparation food are:

Silicone baking mat Cutting board

Food scale Knife set Crinkle cutter Herb chopper Garlic peeler

of more generic, yet still useful, gifts you may want to consider as well," Keenan said. "Choose a cookbook you know will interest him or her, or get utilitarian items you feel more comfortable with giving and think will get some use."

She said the Dinner Tonight Essentials Cookbook has more than 100 easy-to-prepare recipes with a minimum of 10% of the recommended daily value of one or more nutrients often lacking in the American diet.

She said some additional gifts to consider might be:

- Chef's mitt Potholders
- Apron
- Drving rack
- Universal pot lid

"Of course, if you have a cook who has a flair for pushing the boundaries of cooking, you may want to consider a molecular gastronomy kit," she said. "This kit combines cooking and chemistry, letting you turn your kitchen into a sort of food lab where you can experiment with different tastes and even transform how your food looks and feels."

Stocking Stuffers

Many smaller kitchen tools and items can be used as stocking stuffers, Keenan said.



"Due to their smaller size and shape, there are a number of items that will fit nicely into a Christmas stocking," she said. "One of the most simple and useful kitchen items is an oven rack pull-stick, which allows you to easily and safely pull the rack from your oven or toaster oven and then put it back into place. And a meat thermometer is the right size and shape, along with being a must-have for the kitchen."

tool Stackable

Meat tenderizing mea-

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"And if a cook you know has expressed an in-



terest in learning how to make something new or different — or possibly cook more healthful foods — there's probably a small appliance or gadget that can help fill the bill."

Some small appliances and gadgets Keenan said might make good gifts include:

- Food processor
- Stand mixer
- Instant pot
- Stand blender
- Herb infuser
- Dehydrator
- Electric griddle
- **Burger press**
- Air fryer

Food Preparation Tools

"Food preparation can be time-consuming and frustrating if you don't have the right tools in your kitchen," Keenan said. "There are a variety of specialized items out there to help the chef in your life cut, chop, flatten, strip, debone, tenderize, shred, spin, core and more.'

Cookware set Dutch oven Specialized pots/pans Attachable colander/strainer Glass or stoneware baking dishes

Aluminum baking sheets Splatter screen Food Safety Items

Shredder claws for meats

require more specialized cook-

ware, but a good mix of different

sizes of pots and pans are a cook's

workhorses," Keenan said. "Also,

some cooks prefer specific brands

or surfaces, so it's important you

do your homework before buying

cookware for someone else. How-

ever, a good quality non-stick skillet or some practical items to help

make cooking less messy would

generally be welcomed by the chef

She said some cooking items to

and/or the dishwasher."

consider for gifting are:

"Some foods, like lasagna, casseroles, pot

Spiralizer

Cooking Tools

Keenan said food safety is an important but sometimes overlooked aspect of cooking.

"Along with proper nutrition and diet, our agency provides information and instruction on food safety," she said. "There are various stages in food preparation, cooking and storage where germs and bacteria can proliferate and potentially cause foodborne illness."

Keenan said keeping utensils

and hands clean, ensurmeats ing other and foods are adequately cooked and

avoiding cross-contamination are all vital to keep food safe for consumption.

She said some items related to food safety for the cook are:

Oven thermometer **Kitchen scissors** Wooden cutting board

sanitizer

Sponge holder Vacuum-seal food storage system Utensil holder

Multi-colored cutting boards to keep raw meats and veggies separate

Miscellaneous Items

"There are a number

ars or spices Oven rack pull-stick Microplane grater Vegetable peeler Meat thermometer Whisk

"The possibilities for gifts to give the cook in your life are many and varied," Keenan said. "But so long as whatever you choose will be of use to them and they see you took the time to find something they really wanted, they'll appreciate the gift."

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Keenan said other stocking stuffers might include:

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Chamber of Commerce happenings



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Big Spring Veterinary Diagnostic held the grand re-opening of their clinic with an Open House and Ribbon Cutting celebration on Wednesday afternoon. Chamber Ambassadors, board members, staff and community members gathered for the celebration and a short ceremony.



Courtesy photo Laurel Stapel with First Christian Church Mission Outreach presents a check to Koxie Sykes with CASA of West Texas. Every year at this time, the FCC Mission Outreach committee selects a worthy cause to make a donation to. After having Roxie speak at one of their meetings, they decided to make their yearly donation to CASA.

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KBYG presents SMMC with giant stocking

Courtesy photo/KBYG KBYG is once again hosting the annual Big Stocking drawing for Christmas. In recognition of the great contributions to the community by Scenic Mountain Medical Center, KBYG presented SMMC with a giant stocking for the holidays. Accepting the stocking (pictured left to right) are Scenic Mountain Medical Center Emma Krabill and SMMG Practice Manager Mitzi Knight. The stocking was presented by John Weeks, owner of KBYG. There are several locations around town where the community can register to win their own stocking. See the ad in the Big Spring Herald or tune in to KBYG.



Federal study finds race, gender affect face-scanning tech

By MATT O'BRIEN

AP Technology Writer

A study by a U.S. agency has found that facial recognition technology often performs unevenly based on a person's race, gender or age.

But the nuanced report published Thursday is unlikely to allay the concerns of critics who worry about bias in face-scanning applications that are increasingly being adopted by law enforcement, airports and a variety of businesses.

The National Institute of Standards and Technol-

ogy has been studying facial recognition for nearly two decades, but this is the first time it has investigated demographic differences in how face-scanning algorithms are able to identify people.

The study was prompted in part by growing concern among lawmakers and privacy advocates that biased results in commercial face recognition software could entrench racial discrimination in the criminal justice system and elsewhere.

The report cautions against "incomplete"

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Study to Develop a New Economic Growth Model for Rural Communities in West Texas

AUSTIN, Texas – The IC² Institute at The University of Texas at Austin is starting a yearlong study in a portion of West Texas to inform an economic development strategy based on the community's unique identity. The work will result in a regional

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road map report and new models of economic development that could be applied to other regions.

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The study will be conducted in several communities in a region south of Lubbock, west

of Sweetwater, north of Del Rio and east of Pecos in West Texas. The goal is for communities to increase their economic, environmental and social resilience through strategies that are fundamentally based on their own values and goals.

"This work comes at a pivotal point in the history of West Texas as it experiences both unparalleled growth and community disruption as part of intensive resource extraction," said Matt Kammer-Kerwick, senior research scientist at the IC² Institute. "The unique community framework of the region complicates the nature of community conservation efforts due to the lack of deep engagement by many of the land/resource owners, the "extractive" ap-

proach of large corporate engagement, and the burden placed on communities to support oil and gas business during periods of peak activity."

ing uneven economic success. Based on census

Throughout Texas, rural regions are experienc-

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data, the 18 most urban counties in Texas have a per capita income nearly \$5,000 more than the rest of the counties in the state. Historically, rural areas are tied to agriculture and development of natural resources, but many lack the infrastructure and connectivity to participate in advanced entrepreneurial strategies associated with economic growth. Diversifying the economic base of these regions requires rethinking the way that business ecosystems develop to acknowledge the challenges of developing and retaining talent in remote areas and integrating people, expertise, ideas and capital. A broad-based program of research on this topic is needed to build a model that could be applied

across Texas rural regions.

"West Texas is typically seen as monolithic, but the region includes different communities facing various economic conditions and unique challenges," said Greg Pogue, deputy director of the IC² In-

stitute. "Some places are reeling from an economic boom and trying to adapt to prosperity while others are reeling because energy production has passed them by. Through understanding representative

communities across West Texas, we can begin to see the common and distinctive challenges each community is facing and build a model that can be of value to all communities."

The research involves collaboration with researchers at The University of Texas Permian Basin and a wide range of stakeholders and community members from multiple sites in the region. The project is possible through a grant from the Carl B. and Florence E. King Foundation and the Cynthia & George Mitchell Foundation.

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- Jamie Wiggins, 1905 Wasson Rd., Apt. #28, Big Spring

Marriage Licenses

Uriel Angel Ambris, 22, and Chasady Alexis Olague, 20, both of Big Spring.

Lakesia Nicole Johnson, 31, and Monica Delores Hudspeth, 35, both of Jacksonville, TX.

Date: Dec. 18, 2019

Plaintiff: Angela Smithie Defendant: Shannon Smithie Type of Case: Protective Order - No Divorce Date: Dec. 18, 2019

Plaintiff: Don R. White Defendant: Roger S. Miller Type of Case: Contract - Consumer/ Commercial/Debt Date: Dec. 18, 2019

County Court Rulings

(Note: The State of Texas is listed as the prosecutor in all County Court Rulings.)

- Defendant: Davontay Gray Offense: Posession of Marijuana (Less
- than two ounces.) Sentence: \$100 fine, \$327 court costs,
- time served Date: Dec. 11, 2019

Defendant: Akkey McVae Offense: Resisting Arrest, Search, or Transport Sentence: \$100 fine, \$267 court costs, time served

- Date: Dec. 12, 2019
- Defendant: Jack Grahmann Offense: Possession of Marijuana (Less than two ounces) Sentence: \$100 fine, \$327 court costs, 20 days in jail
- Date: Dec. 11, 2019

Defendant: Roger Shane Miller

Warrantv Deeds

Grantor: Haag Management, Inc. Grantee: Janice Dunsirn and Barbara Sheppard

Property: W/2 Section of Blk. 34, T-2-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey; Tract 21, Sect. 32, Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P Ry. Co. Survey Date: Dec. 12, 2019

Grantor: Vera lunglyn Treadway Grantee: Catisha Deann Minter Property: Lots 1 to 3, Subdivision "C", Blk.. 14, Fairview Heights Addition Date:

Grantor: Abul Kalam Azad Liton and Jahan Fatema, a married couple Grantee: Jody Grinslade and Teri Grinslade

Property: 5.367 acre tract out of SW part of Section 24, Blk. 33, T-1-N, T. & P. RR. Co. Survey Date: Dec. 11, 2019

Grantor: Daniel Brister Grantee: Brenda Parker and Payton Parker

Property: Lot Ten, Blk. Two, Worth Peeler Subdivision, Section 4, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T. & P. RR. Survey Date: Dec. 16, 2019

Grantor: Roger Shane Miller and Meredith Burgess FKA Meredith Celeste Miller Grantee: Trinity Investment Managers Property: Tract out of NE/4 and SE/4 of Sec 21, Blk. 31, T-1-N, T&P RR Co Svy Date: Dec. 13, 2019

Grantee: Old Big Spring Property LLC. Property: All of Lot 5, Blk. 13, North Park Hill Addition Date: Dec. 2, 2019

Warranty Deeds with Vendors' Liens

Grantor: Shirley Harper Froman, Independent Executor of the Estate of Wilbert Leon Estep, Deceased

Grantee: Douglas Edward Wagner, Jr. Property: Northeast One-Fourth of Section No. Twenty-Nine, Blk. 32, Township One North, T. & P. Ry. Co. Survey Date: Dec. 17, 2019

Grantor: Eric Andrews and Amy Andrews

Grantee: Kendel Leona Rose Truitt Property: 2.307 tract out of NW/4 of Section 21, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T. & P. RR. Co. Survey

Date: Dec. 13, 2019

Grantor: Brenda Arellano Deleon Grantee: Louise A Molina and Lorenzo Garcia

Property: E/2 of Lot 5 and Lot 6, Blk. Cole & Srayhorn Addition Date: Dec. 13, 2019

Grantor: Cathy Capps

Grantee: Edward Havis Everett, James Steven Everett, and Richard Jason Everett

Property: Tract 1: SW/4 of Section 10, Blk. 33, T-2-N, T&P Survey; Tract 2: Labor 14, League 259, Borden County School Land, Martin County; The NE/4 of Section 43, Blk. 36, T-4-N, T&P Survey, Martin County



District Court Filings

Plaintiff: Reginald Hamilton Defendant: Darlene Hamilton Type of Case: Divorce - no children Date: Dec. 12, 2019

Plaintiff: TD Bank USA. N.A. as successor in interest to Target National Bank Defendant: Yvette A. Rodriguez Type of Case: Contract - Consumer/ Commercial/Debt Date: Dec. 12, 2019

Plaintiff: Rickey White Defendant: Pam Gruis Type of Case: Divorce - no children Date: Dec. 13, 2019

Plaintiff: Tamara Kindell Defendant: Bradley Kindell Type of Case: Divorce - no children Date: Dec. 13, 2019

Plaintiff: Td Auto Finance, Llc, F/k/a Chrysler Financial Defendant: Angela Lozano Type of Case: Contract - Consumer/ Commercial/Debt Date: Dec. 13, 2019

Plaintiff: Prosperity Bank Defendant: Betty Barnett, Occupant Type of Case: Real Property - Other Date: Dec. 12, 2019

Plaintiff: Sylvia Trevino Defendant: Donald Koerber Type of Case: Protective Order - No Divorce Date: Dec. 16, 2019

Plaintiff: The Jane Matej Mudd Irrevocable Trust Defendant: Bill Davidson Type of Case: Real Property - Other Date: Dec. 17, 2019

Plaintiff: Erin Stephens Defendant: Emanuel Minguela Type of Case: Civil Case - Other Date: Dec. 17, 2019

Plaintiff: Jennifer Harvill Defendant: William Harvill Type of Case: Divorce - No Children

Offense: False Report to Peace Officer or L.E. Employee Sentence: \$250 fine, \$219 court costs, one-time payment Date: Dec. 10, 2019

Defendant: Viola Young Offense: Theft of Property \$100 - \$750 Shoplifting Sentence: \$100 fine, \$267 court costs, 15 days in jail Date: Dec. 6, 2019

Defendant: Chasity Elaine Rodriguez Offense: Driving While Intoxicated Sentence: \$750 fine, \$442.10 court costs, 180 days in jail, probated for 12 months, license suspended 90 days Date: Dec. 6, 2019

Defendant: Rosemary Moreno Kelly Offense: Theft (\$750 - \$2500) Sentence: \$100 fine, \$317 court costs, time served Date: Dec. 10, 2019

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Grantor: Elizabeth Bazaldua Grantee: Tomas Rodriguez Property: Lot 11, Blk. 33, Original Town of Big Spring Date: Dec. 13, 2019

Grantor: Merejildo Rodriguez, Jr. Grantee: Performance Pre-MIx Pits, LLC

Property: Lot 1, Block 1, HJH Subdivision, out of the SE/4 of Section 30, Blk. 33, T-1-N, T&P Ry Co. Survey Date: Dec. 11, 2019

Grantor: Gregory McAlister Grantee: Platinum C Custom Homes LLC

Property: Lot 2 - 3, Blk. 3, Canyon View Addition, out of Section 4, Blk. 32, T-1-S, T&P RR. Co Survey Date: Dec. 13, 2019

Grantor: Pamela Pope McMillian Independent Exectuor of the Estate of LInus M. Tucker AKA L.M. Tucker, Deceased

Date: Dec. 12, 2019

Grantor: Clifford E. Blythe Grantee: Michael Richardson Property: Tract One: Lots 21 and 22, Harvey's Subdivision, a Subdiviosn out of hte Northwest Quarter of Section 45, Blk. 31, Township 1-North, T. & P. Ry. Co. Surveys; Tract Two: 0.171 acre tract out of the NW/4 of Section 45, Blk.. 31, T-1-N, T. &. P. RR. Co. Survey Date: Dec. 11, 2019

Grantor: Chuck Rosenbaum Grantee: Jason Daniels Property: Tract One: 9.634 acre tract of land out of a 100 acret rat out of the NE/4 of SEction 41, Blk.. 32, T-1-N, T. & P. RR. Co. Survey; Tract Two: 9.177 acre tract of land out o fa 100 acre tract out of the NE/4 of Section 41, Blk. 32, T-1-N, T. & P. RR. Co. Survey

Date: Dec. 12, 2019

Defen-Myers & Smith dant: Tyler Hernandez Offense: Criminal Mischief Funeral Home & Chapel Sentence:



Bill & Charlsa Myers, Owners



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Help Wanted The City of Big Spring is now accepting

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Job Title

- Non-Certified/Certified Police Officer
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- Utility Service Worker Heavy Equipment Operator
- Maintenance Worker
- GIS Specialist
- Public Works Secretary
- Animal Control Officer
- Building Official Water Treatment Plant Operator
- Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator
- Identification Technician/ Evidence Clerk
- Streets Superintendent
- Light Equipment Operator
- Part Time Cook

For more information call Human Resources at (432) 264-2347

Gunsight Energy Center Big Spring, TX Invenergy LLC is hiring a Wind Technician for the Gunsight Energy Center, a 120 MW wind power generation facility. Qualified applicants are encouraged to visit http://www.invenergyllc.com and click on "Careers."

Parkview Skilled Care and Rehabilitation is seeking an Admission/Case Manager R.N. to join our team.

Mostly Monday – Friday 10am-6pm and approximately one weekend per month. (Must be somewhat flexible due to the nature of the business).



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For additional information visit www.crmwd.org

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Advertisement for Bids

GRADED CALICHE BASE

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County Judge, delivered to

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Courthouse, 117 E. Currie

Street, Garden City, Texas,

until 9:00 a.m., January 13,

2020, at which time the bids

will be publicly opened, read

aloud and tabulated. These

considered for award by the

Commissioners Court may, at

its discretion, award to more

Each bid should include: 1)

yard (or per ton) bid for the

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Glasscock County of the

pit or stockpiled material;

and shall be signed by the

the unit price per cubic

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than one bidder.

Call 512-913-7406 or

Bid Requirements

1433 Hilltop Rd.

512-913-8297

Public Notice

Bidder. Each bid must be submitted in a sealed envelope addressed to the Glasscock County Judge. The envelope should have the name of the Bidder and January 2020 Graded Base Bid" typed or written on the outside of the envelope. If submitted by mail or delivery service, the sealed envelope containing the bid must be enclosed in another envelope addressed to the Glasscock County Judge, P.O. Box 67, 117 E. Currie Street, Garden City, Texas 79739. Any bid received after the time and date specified will not be considered.

Glasscock County reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive any technicalities, informalities or minor defects, or to accept the proposal or proposals they deem to be in the best interest of Glasscock County, including awarding to more than one bidder.

Material Specifications

Successful Bidder(s) shall furnish uncontaminated material of uniform quality that meets the following specifications from the 2004 Edition of the Texas Department of Transportation Standard Specifications for Construction and Maintenance of Highways, Streets, and Bridges:

Graded Base shall be

 Grade 1, Type A material, in accordance with the requirements for 1) gradation, 2) liquid limit and 3) plasticity index, as set forth

in Table 1 - Material Requirements under Item 247 - Flexible Base. Additives such as lime, cement, fly ash, or other materials shall not be used to modify aggregates in order to meet these requirements, or

•Modified Grade 1 (maximum size material <1 1/2"). Type A material, in accordance with the requirements for 1) gradation, 2) liquid limit and 3) plasticity index, as set forth in Table 1 - Material Requirements under Item 247 - Flexible Base. Additives such as lime, cement, fly ash, or other materials shall not be used to modify agareaates in order to meet these requirements.

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Qualifications and Skills; Indesign and Photoshop are a plus, but will train the right person. We are looking for a creative, outgoing individual familiar with social media and ideas for feature stories about members of our communities.

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Job Type: Full Time



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Matt Scott 432-755-7065 matt.scott@expeditionroyalty.com

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AUCTION

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2019 10:00 AM

LOCATION: Big Spring, TX. From north side of Big Spring at the Intersection of US 87 and FR 700, go east 2 miles on FR 700, north on FR 669 (Gail Hwy) 14 miles, then 1/2 mile east CR 48. OR from Ackerly 2 miles south on US 87, east 11 miles on FR 1785, south 5 miles on FR 669, then 1/2 mile east on CR 48.

Stanley Haney & Loyd Underwood ---- Owners (432) 270-2442

TRACTORS/TERRAIN VEHICLE: 2011 JD 8225R MFWD, 2010 JD 8245R MFWD, 2010 JD 4755 MFWD, 2009 JD 8330 MFWD, 2007 JD MFWD, 1990 JD 4755, 1990 JD 4455, 1983 JD 4450, 1980 JD 4440, 1970 JD 4020, Kawasaki Utility Terrain Vehicle #4010,....NICE SET OF TRACTORS. STORED IN BARN.

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EQUIPMENT: Approx. 60+ Assorted Pieces of Farm Equipment. Plus Spray Equipment, Tanks, Trailers, Shop Miscellaneous.

CONTACT: Quality Auctioneers, Inc. (806) 866-4646. Charles Macha, Auctioneers #6911, (806) 893-7151. See pictures and complete listing of all equipment at www.qualityauctioneers.com

Before any material is purchased by the County, the successful bidder(s) must submit to the county Judge a report from an acceptable testing laboratory certifying that the material to be purchased meets or exceeds these material specifications.

Address questions concerning these specifications or bid procedures to Don W. Bonifay, Engineer for Glasscock County, at donbonifay@gmail.com, or (432) 230-6815.

Measurement and Delivery

The specified material shall be supplied and measured by the cubic yard or by the ton. **Conversion factor between** cubic yards and tons will be assumed to be 1.25 tons/cubic yard unless bidder submits proof of a different conversion factor which must be confirmed by the County's Engineer.

Material shall be located at the successful Bidder's location, which must be in Glasscock County. This location shall be stated in the bid document. There is no minimum or guaranteed quantity of material stated or implied with the award of this bid.

Bids will include these options:

1. Material loaded by the successful Bidder into trucks provided by the County; and 2. Material loaded by the County into trucks provided by the County.

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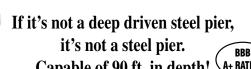


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Public Notice

The term of this bid shall be six months from the date of award.

Payments

Bids submitted shall be a unit price amount (in U.S. Dollars), which shall constitute the total cost for each cubic yard or ton requested and received by Glasscock County. Payment shall be monthly. Invoices submitted to the Glasscock County Treasurer at least seven days prior to the Glasscock County Commissioners Court's regularly scheduled meeting, will be paid within two days after that Court meeting.

#10405 Dec. 22 & 29, 2019

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 59, TEXAS PROPERTY CODE, AMERICAN SELF STORAGE WHICH IS LOC-ATED AT 3314 E. FM 700, BIG SPRING, TX 79720 WILL HOLD A PUBLIC AUC-TION OF PROPERTY BE-ING SOLD TO SATISFY A LANDLORD'S LIEN. SALE WILL BE AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M. ON JANUARY 4, 2020 AT 3314 E FM 700 BIG SPRING, TX 79720.

PROPERTY WILL BE SOLD TO HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH. SELLER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO NOT AC-CEPT ANY BID AND TO WITHDRAW PROPERTY FROM SALE. PROPERTY TO EACH SPACE MAY BE SOLD ITEM-BY-ITEM, IN BATCHES, OR BY THE SPACE. ALL SALES ARE SUBJECT TO TEXAS STATE SALES TAX. SALE IS ON THE CONTENT OF:

TENANT: Clarissa Torres - 2 Units

CONSISTING OF: HHG

TENANT: Jennifer Olivares -2 Units CONSISTING OF: HHG

TENANT: Roger Henson CONSISTING OF: HHG

#10394 Dec. 15 & 22, 2019

CITY OF BIG SPRING, TEXAS NOTICE TO BIDDERS SALE OF A PORTABLE BUILDING The City of BIG SPRING ("City") is soliciting sealed bids for the immediate cash sale of the following described personal property ("Property"), to wit: SPECIFICATIONS:

Public Notice

www.mybigspring.com under Bid Postings. CLOSING TIME. Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. Central Time on the 7th day of January 2020 and opened soon thereafter. CITY OF Big Spring, TEXAS

Real Estate for Rent

1 & 3 Bedroom Houses for Rent. References Required.

Central Air & Heat. Call Richard 432-201-0539

1010 A Nolan. 2 bed/2 bath w/kitchen appliances. No bills paid \$975/month, \$975/dep. Credit & Background Check Call 432-267-7449

107 East 25th St. 3 bdrm/1 bath. All appliances included. \$1000/month. \$1000/deposit. 1-2 Adults maximum. No Smoking/Pets. References required. Call 432-213-2319

1203 E 16th St. 2BR 1BT, large gated backyard, great for pets! Comes w/fridge, stove, w/d. New HVAC. \$1000.00 deposit. \$1000.00 monthly, 12 months lease, with credit & rental refr.req. Non Smokers. 340-690-5731

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Aircraft 1974 Beechcraft Sierra. Half or Full Ownership Low Hours 3908 TT. 849 SMOH. Fresh annual. GPS, Auto Pilot, Retractable Gear, 200 hours power lycoming IFR equipped. Text Message to 432-816-3927

Legals

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS **OIL AND GAS DIVISION**

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0324332 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Dec 10, 2019 Status/Permit No. 859534 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Dec 31, 2019 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SM ENERGY COM-PANY, [RRC Operator No.

Legals

ACKERLY, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE **TERMS of Railroad Commis**sion rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at (512)463-6751. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are ap-

plicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512)463-6848.

IF YOU WISH TO RE-QUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN IN-**TENT TO APPEAR IN** PROTEST MUST BE RE-**CEIVED IN THE RAILROAD** COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Dec 31, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE RE-QUESTED PERMIT MAY BE **GRANTED ADMINISTRAT-**IVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICA-TION REQUIRES PUBLICA-TION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below: FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Lease/Unit Name : SMAILS

Lease/Unit Well No. :

2318JM Lease/Unit Acres : 882.51 Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 1.0 Lease Lines : 907.0 F NE L, 275.0 F SE L Survey Lines : 907.0 F ne L, 275.0 F SE L

Legals

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Jill Hamilton, at (432)8484855.

#10388 Dec. 15 & 22, 2019

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 37 Case No. 0324333 DATE OF ISSUANCE: Dec 10, 2019 Status/Permit No. 859535 NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Dec 31, 2019 Address: Railroad Commission of Texas ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit P. O. Box 12967 Austin, Texas 78711-2967 Fax: (512) 463-6780 Email SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

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By Steve Becker

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Opening lead - king of hearts.

In many deals, declarer must develop tricks in more than one suit in order to make his contract. Whenever this situation arises, declarer should carefully weigh which sequence of plays offers the best chance of success.

Take this case where South starts with seven top tricks and must try to acquire two more. There is a sure way to make nine tricks, but declarer might easily wind up in the soup if he plays his cards in the wrong order. To see what might happen if he gets

careless, let's examine a couple of approaches that won't work out. Suppose South wins the opening heart lead with the ace, crosses to

dummy with a diamond, leads the queen of clubs and finesses. West wins with the king and shifts to the jack of spades, and declarer inevita-

Or, let's say declarer wins the heart lead and returns a heart. West takes the queen and shifts to the jack of spades as before. West eventually gains the lead with the king of clubs,

There are other possible approaches to the play, but the one that's sure to succeed, come what may, is to win the opening heart lead

If West has the king, what can he do? If he takes it, declarer has three clubs, four diamonds and the heart and spade aces for nine tricks; if he doesn't take it, dummy's queen wins. South then returns to his hand with a diamond and leads a heart to establish the jack as his ninth trick.

If it turns out that East has the king of clubs, he captures dummy's queen, but what can he do next? If he shifts to a spade, declarer plays low, and dummy's queen becomes trick number nine regardless of who has the king; if East returns a club instead, South wins, and the jack of hearts becomes his ninth trick.

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

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Holiday De-Stress Tips By Venus

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Noticing is a form of love. Not noticing is more antithetical to love than hate is. Just as love can bond and heal, neglect can cut and wound. Today you'll notice the quality of attention people give you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Doing things on your own is one of the great joys in life. Discovery is a particularly satisfying subset of the category. To find something that wasn't in the guidebook can be wondrous.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). To speculate how others are feeling is more helpful than incuriousness, but the most loving thing is to go there and live and fight next to a person to whatever extent you can. Love is in the trenches.

CANCER (June

22-July 22). Feelings, like trees, are inherently messy. When trees change, they put things

into the wind -- pollen, leaves, the scent of magnificence... It's a time to consider what your feelings are contributing.

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). After a few weeks of commanding your days, it's very relaxing to let the day do what it wants. This is your chance! And if it all culminates into a long nap, more power to you!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's an aspirational feeling to the day, like you're dressed for the party you've always wanted to be invited to. Trust that things are happening for you and it's only a matter of time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You are the best at being you. Even if they were to try (and they will try because you're doing something too interesting not to and making it look so good), they wouldn't come close.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Decide how long you want to devote yourself to a project. If

Tomorrow's Horoscope BY HOLIDAY MATHIS It cool, keeping you want



SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Looking back, you won't know how you did it. Looking forward produces a similarly baffling sensation. But it will get done. Action is much more effective than the memory of projection.

CAPRICORN (Dec.

22-Jan. 19). You don't show all you have -- you don't even hint at it! That's for the new people who don't know better, or the insecure, or the ones who are fearful they don't have enough. You play

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's odd the things that pop into your head -- a short interaction with a stranger or a conversation you had a decade ago. Why is this relevant now? Maybe it's not. Take a breath. Find a focus worthy of you.

PISCES (Feb.

19-March 20). It is said that the finest inventions are nurtured in hardship. Maybe so, but a lot of great ideas have other roots, for instance in the playfulness of a carefree moment. Your creativity will come without suffering.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY

(Dec. 22). A talent vou can lean into this year is your inclusiveness. Because you make people feel like they have a purpose with you and a sense of belonging where you are, you will earn loyalty and love. The best part is that it's so easy for you to see the good and nurture what shines. A windfall comes in February. Virgo and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 49, 41, 12, 7 and 2.

FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

Venus and Uranus stir up excitement on the heels of the winter solstice for the festival of lights that is Hanukkah. The first candle on the Hanukkah menorah will be kindled in song as the moon moves through the early degrees of spiritual Scorpio. The night has an air of mystery and magic.

Christmas Eve features a lucky trine of the Capricorn sun and Uranus in Taurus, the

sign of material things. Gifts will please. Quality will prevail. Luxury will go over as so worthwhile. Christmas Day features a lunar lane change with a new moon, followed by a solar eclipse the next day. Capricorn is the sign of tradition, and since the new moon is an ideal start date, new traditions will begin (though it may take the hindsight provided after next Christmas to bring the realization of exactly which rituals, actions, words and events were the ones that stuck).

Kwanzaa and Boxing Day feature Jupiter's abundant nature shining on the day, and an evening nod from dreamy Neptune bodes well for a cozy, dreamy holiday. Things really kick into a familiar mode on Friday when Jupiter will be sure to exaggerate whatever power dynamics are already present. Wishing you a jolly holiday!

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Full House Causes Holiday Drama

Dear Annie: I have two sons. One of them, "Brock," is divorced, but you would never know it from the way he and his ex, "Sandra," spend time together, especially around the holidays. When they were married, Brock adopted Sandra's daughter, and they had one son together. I love Sandra, and I'm glad that she and Brock have remained not only civil but friends.

One of the reasons that Brock and Sandra got divorced was because she had poor boundaries with her friend "Aman-

da." Amanda and her extended family all lived with Brock and Sandra. Amanda has several grown children, two granddaughters who are in middle school and an infant grandson. Sandra ended up taking care of the kids a lot.

Now, my problem: Every holiday, (SET ITAL) all(END ITAL) of these kids, grandkids and significant others come to my house. They eat, sit around and take up all the room. At Christmas, I buy a gift for them because I don't want them to feel left out when my family opens their gifts. My other son and his wife. daughter and son either don't come out (claiming he

has to work) or they come out much later. Recently, this son told me that the chaos with Amanda's family is the reason.

Annie's Mailbox 💩

Amanda and her family have been coming over for years and expect the tradition. But we are talking about eight extra people at every event. I don't have time to enjoy my real family, as everyone is so spread out. Next year, how do I stop all of these people from coming over? -- Overcapacity

Dear Overcapacity: I've got a New Year's resolution for you: Add "no" to your vocabulary. You've been extremely accommodating to Sandra and

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her guests for a long time; that doesn't mean you can't set boundaries now. Talk to Sandra and your son (in person, if possible, and on the phone, if not) about how you feel: You'd like more time to visit with them and their kids at Christmas, so you'd like to keep it to just family next year. Try to keep the conversation upbeat -- but be firm. Know that you are not the bad guy for having boundaries. If you have anv doubt, put vourself in Sandra's shoes: How would you feel if your mother-in-law asked you to stop bringing eight extra guests to her house for the holidays?

Dear Annie: I recently received an inheritance from a relative who passed away, and I was quite surprised and honored. What is the best way to thank the immediate family for this generosity? I have never experienced this before and want to make sure I do the right thing. -- Kevin

Dear Kevin: I am sorry for your loss. What a lovely surprise for your relative to have honored you with such a gift. He or she must have thought highly of you.

While it's a nice impulse to want to express your gratitude to his or her family, matters of inheri-

tance can be prickly and sensitive. The person to whom you really owe your thanks, the deceased relative, is no longer here, but you can still express your gratitude: by praying to him or her, by visiting his or her resting place or by donating a small amount of the inheritance toward a relevant cause, for example. Perhaps the most meaningful way to honor him or her, though, is simply to live with gratitude in your heart -- which you're already doing.

> Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com.

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SATURDAY STUMPER by Greg Johnson

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Check this out, at the library this week

Howard County Library wishes everyone happy holidays! On Tuesday, December 24, the library will close early at 12 p.m. The library will be closed Wednesday, December 25 and Thursday, December 26. We will reopen Friday, December 27 at 9 a.m. There is no Babytime, Storytime or Code Club this week. This week's reviews include mystery, western and non-fiction.

An explosive novel of the drug trade, "The Power of the Dog" (M WIN D) by Don Winslow takes readers deep inside a world riddled with corruption, betrayal, and bloody revenge.

The prequel to The Cartel, and set about 10 years earlier, The Power of the Dog introduces a brilliant cast of characters. Art Keller is an obsessive DEA agent. The Barrera brothers run a drug empire. Nora Hayden is a jaded teenager who becomes a high-class hooker. Father Parada is a powerful and incorruptible Catholic priest. Callan is an Irish kid from Hell's kitchen who grows



up to be a merciless hit man. They are all trapped in the world of the Mexican drug Federación and the rise of the cartels. From the streets of New York City to Mexico City and Tijuana to the jungles of Central America, this is the first two decades of the war on drugs.

Denver Daily Chronicle reporter Bob Norberg is sent to Smith's Cove Colorado, to write a story about Susie Bowman in "The Cattle Queen Feud" (LP W OVE W) by Wayne D. Oversholser.

Sandra Verdin

Susie had been tried for stealing and because of a hung jury was to be tried again in late summer. His editor thought Susie was being framed and wanted Norberg to clear her name, but Bob didn't expect what he found.

Susie Bowman was quite a character. To the small ranchers around Smith's Cove, she was almost a legend-friend of the Wild Bunch, tough, beautiful, free with her loving and hard-nosed about her ranching. To the local judge, Susie was just a very eccentric woman who was flaunting the law of God and man, and he was going to hound her until he brought her to justice. To Bob Norberg and Chip Malone, she was the most damnably fascinating woman who ever forked a horse. And to the ruthless killer hired to gun her down, Susie made a beautiful target.

A wagon train of former slaves and freemen are heading to West Texas to start a new life in "Fight for Freedom, a Texas Ranger Jim Blawcyzk Story" (LP W GRI J) by James J. Griffin.

Ride along with Adrian Chatman, and Jim Blawcyzk's Rangers on their perilous trek more than halfway across Texas. The wagon train of former slaves and freemen are heading to West Texas to start a new life. To survive, they will not only have to take on the Texas wilderness with all its dangers, but also those who will stop at nothing to prevent them from building their settlement.

With an order from the Governor to protect the emigrants, the settlers are determined to reach their destination. Will the settlers be able to overcome overwhelming odds to attain the promise of a new life of freedom?

When Donald Trump won the 2016 presidential election, a bewildered nation turned to "Strangers in Their Own Land: Anger and Mourning on the American Right" (320.52 HOC A) by Arlie Russell Hochschild to understand what Trump voters were thinking when they cast their ballots.

Arlie Hochschild, one of the most influential sociologists of her generation, had spent the preceding five years immersed in the community around Lake Charles, Louisiana, a Tea Party stronghold. Lauded by commentators from Noam Chomsky to New Orleans mayor Mitch Landrieu, and countless others, Hochschild's book was described by the New York Times' David Brooks as "humble and important."

A new afterword to this paperback edition describes how the Lousisanans she interviewed feel about recent events, especially the ongoing presidency of Donald Trump. A reading group guide appears at the back of the book.

"May your walls know joy, may every room hold laughter, and every window open to great possibility." - Mary Anne Radmacher

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Pet Talk: *Emergency fur-st aid for pets*

COLLEGE STATION – A medical emergency is among the worst nightmares for any pet owner. Even minor injuries can be stressful, especially if they happen far from available medical care or during non-business hours.

Though an owner can't always prevent every ailment in their four legged friend, they can prepare to handle these situations.

Dr. Igor Yankin, a clinical assistant professor at the Texas A&M College of Veterinary Medicine & Biomedical Sciences, advises pet owners on what supplies and knowledge they should have to administer basic first aid to their pet in an emergency.

Yankin first advises that pet owners take a basic first aid course geared toward their animal. These courses can be found online or can be taken in-person at certain locations. Your veterinarian may be able to help you find a class that is the best option for you and your animal.

Financial preparation is also important in case of a pet emergency. In addition to an emergency examination fee, owners may also need to finance diagnostic tests and treatments. If your pet must stay the night at a medical facility, prices inflate further.

Yankin said pet owners can purchase health insurance for their pet to ensure that they are able to receive the care they need.

"It is well-known that veterinary care can be cost-prohibitive for owners, and during emergencies, the financial constraints can sometimes affect whether an owner is able to have their pet treated,"

he said.

It is also imperative that pet owners have emergency contact information on-hand, so the proper medical authorities can be contacted promptly. Yankin advises owners to have readily available the phone number, clinic name, and address of their primary veterinarian, as well as the contact information of a local veterinary emergency clinic. Owners should also have contact information for the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center (888-426-44350).

Yankin said pet owners should also keep a pet first-aid kit readily available, containing the following items:

•Absorbent gauze pads, adhesive tape, cotton balls;

• Fresh, 3 percent hydrogen peroxide to induce vomiting in dogs (always check with veterinarian or animal poison control expert before giving to your pet, as this solution cannot be used in cats)

- Ice pack
- **Disposable gloves**
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- Tweezers
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Owners should check in on their first-aid kit every few months to ensure nothing has expired or needs to be replenished.

As the year draws to a close, pet owners should be particularly cognizant about their pet's environment and double-check that they are prepared for possible incidents.

"The holiday season is the busiest time for emergency veterinarians," Yankin said. "Pets gain easy access to table scraps that can be poisonous for them (e.g. chocolate, grapes, raisins, macadamia nuts), foreign objects that can create bowel blockage if swallowed (e.g. bones, toys, Christmas tree ornaments, etc.), and human drugs that were brought by house guests."

Yankin said that owners who have any concern about their pet's health should call their local veterinarian or emergency clinic. From there, a veterinary technician or veterinarian can help determine whether or not the pet should be brought in for examination.

"In general, pets with difficulty breathing, seizures, unresponsive state, acute weakness, fainting, wounds, intractable vomiting and diarrhea, or severe pain should be evaluated by a veterinarian as soon as possible," Yankin said. "This list is not exhaustive, and I recommend to call a veterinarian if you have any doubts."

- Styptic powder
- Saline eye solution
- Artificial tear gel

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previous research alleging biased facial recognition that has alarmed the public, but also confirms similar trends showing higher error rates for women, the youngest and oldest people, and for certain racial groups depending on which image database or software is being used.

"There is a wide range of performance and there's certainly work to be done." said Craig Watson, manager of NIST's research group that studies biometric technology. "The main message is don't try to generalize the results across all the technology. Know your use case, the algorithm that's being used."

NIST, which is a part of the Commerce Department, tested the algorithms of 99 mostly commercial software providers that voluntarily submitted their technology for review. It ran those algorithms on millions of FBI mug shots, visa application photos and other government-held portrait images such as those taken at border crossings.

Microsoft was among the major tech companies that participated in the research, along with dozens of lesser-known video surveillance providers and numerous China-based companies such as SenseTime, Hikvision and Ten-

cent. Amazon, which markets face-scanning software to U.S. police agencies, did not participate.

Watson said that's because Amazon's cloud-based software doesn't work with NIST's testing procedures, though the agency is in talks with the company about how to test its algorithms in the future.

The agency's report credits two widely-cited studies of facial recognition bias by Massachusetts Institute of Technology researchers for serving as a "cautionary tale" about uneven results across race and gender boundaries, though it also suggests they sowed public confusion in the way they sought to measure performance.

Joy Buolamwini, who led those studies and has urged a halt to the technology's proliferation, said in an e-mail Thursday that NIST's study is "a sobering reminder that facial recognition technology has consequential technical limitations."

"While some biometric researchers and vendors have attempted to claim algorithmic bias is not an issue or has been overcome, this study provides a comprehensive rebuttal," she wrote.

She was echoed by the American Civil Liberties Union, which in a statement Thursday said that government agencies like the FBI and U.S. Customs and Border Protection should take heed of the report and halt their deployment of face-scanning software.

"Even government scientists are now confirming that this surveillance technology is flawed and biased," said ACLU policy analyst Jay Stanley.



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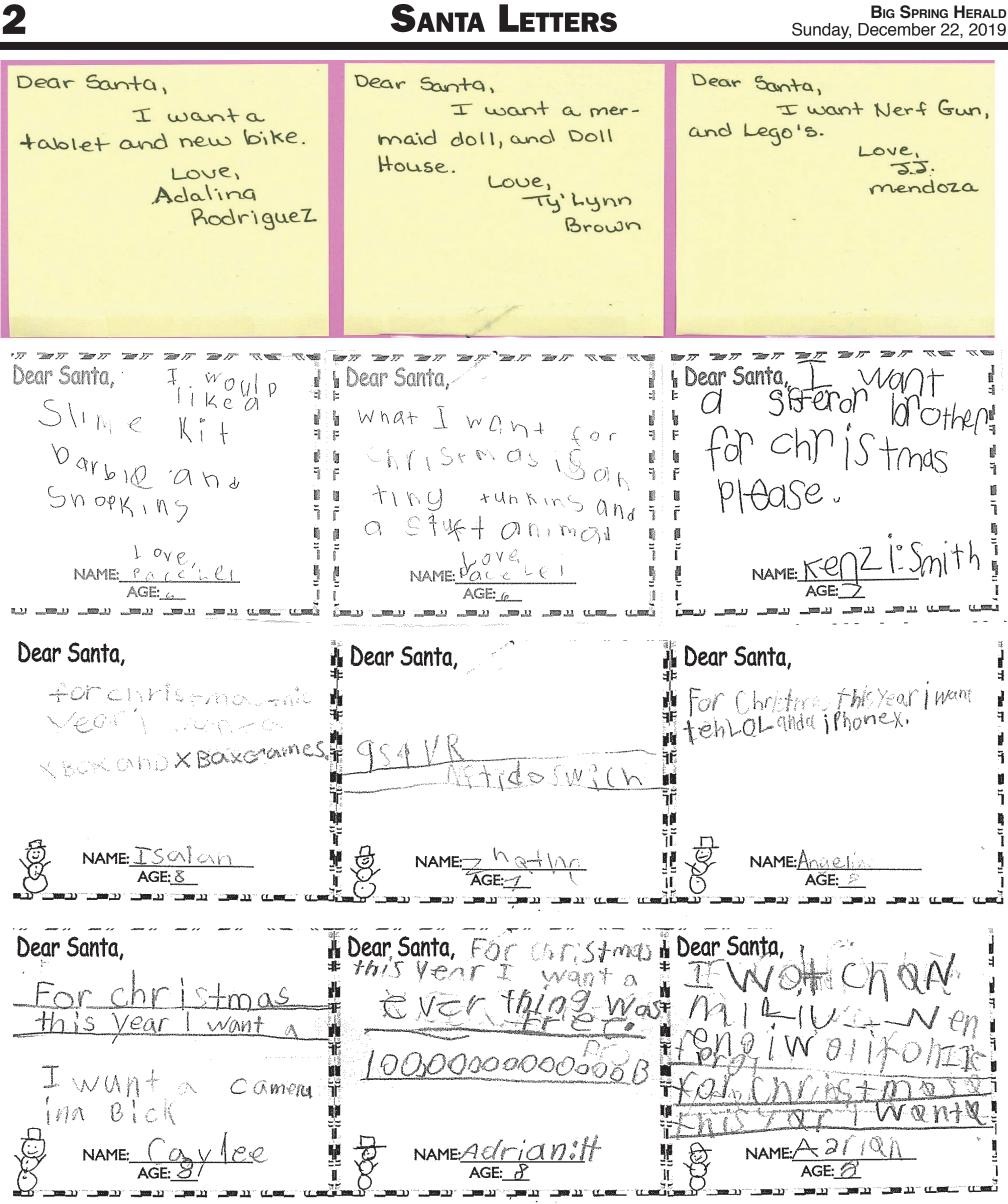
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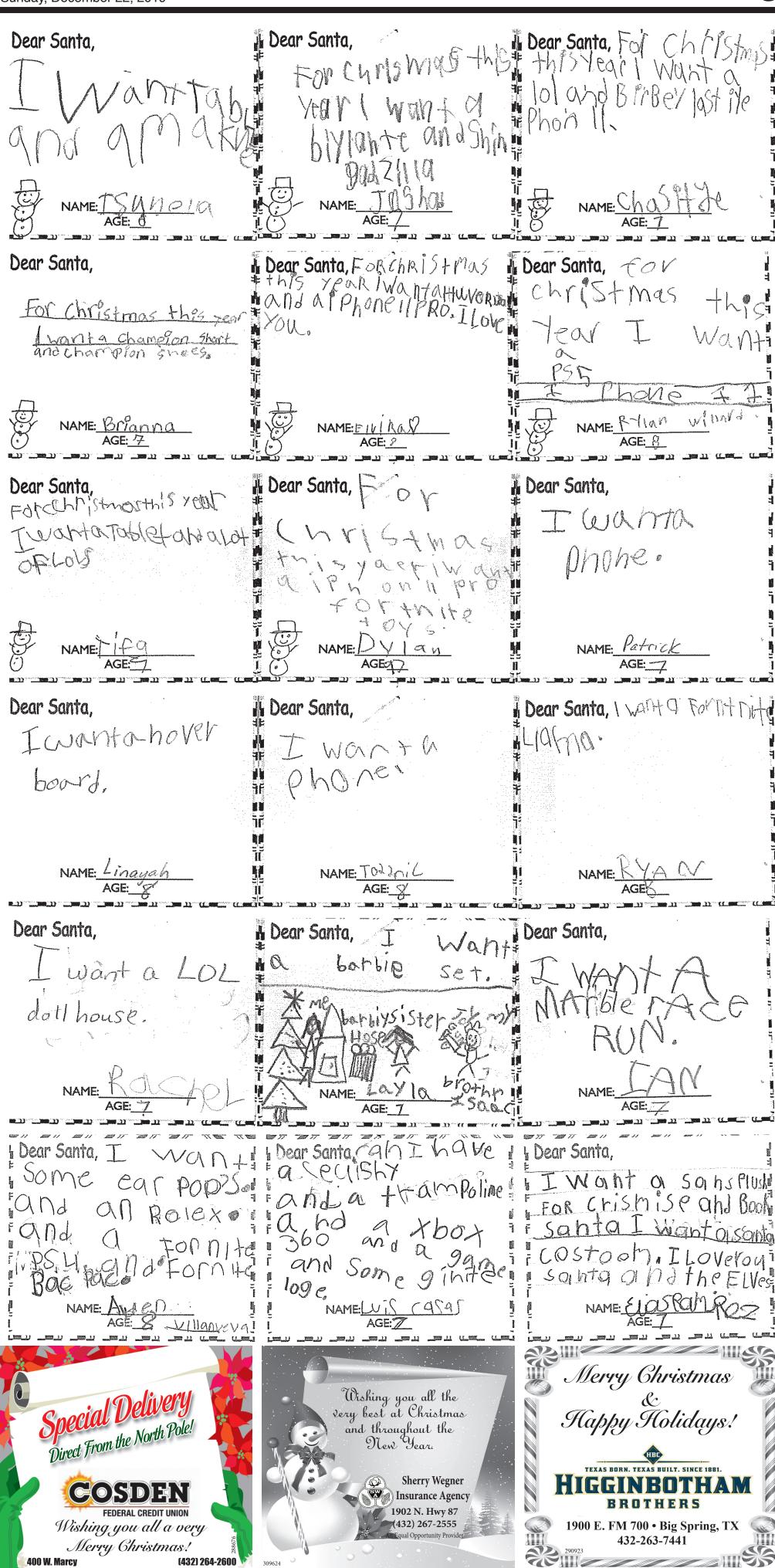
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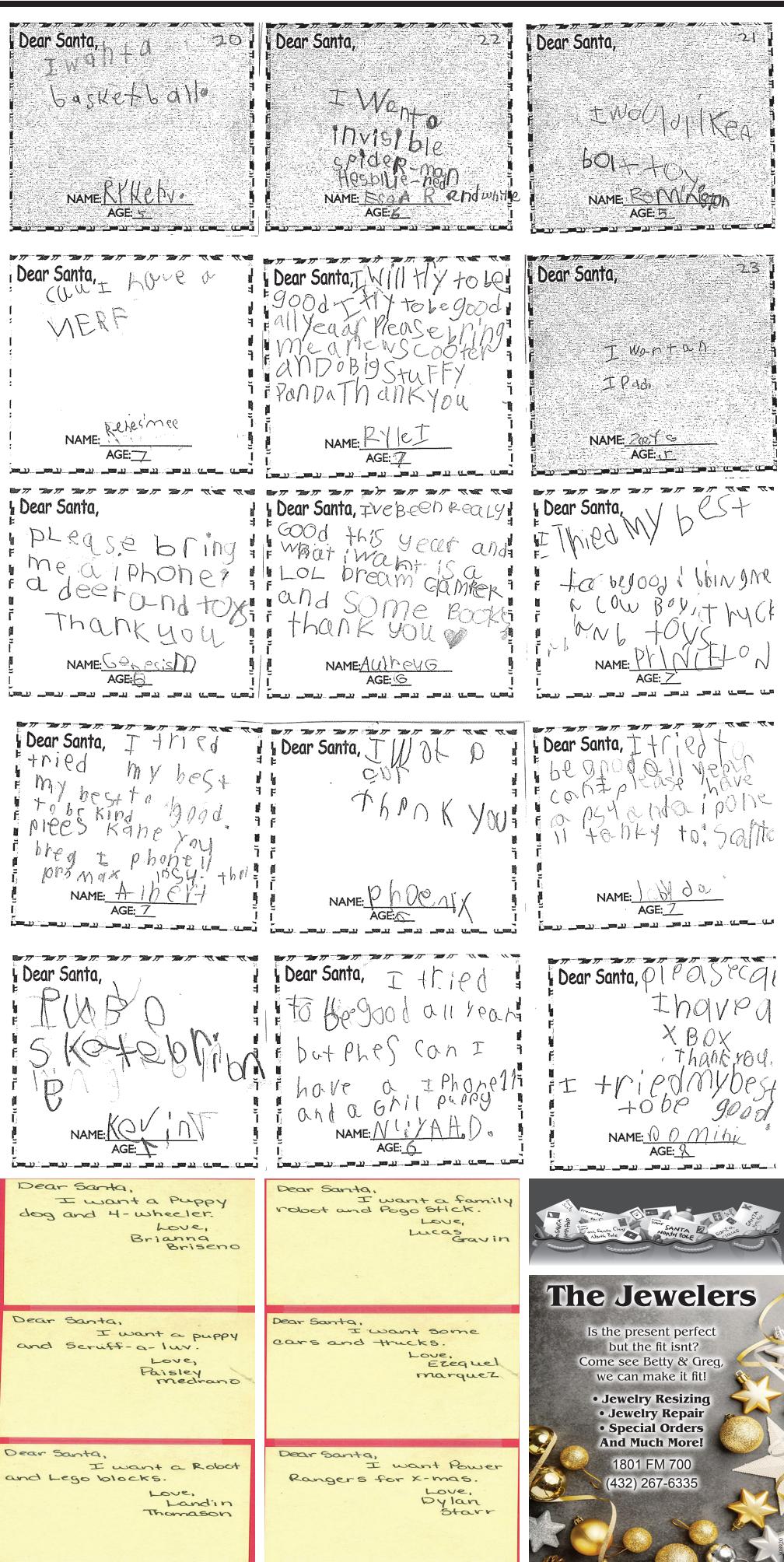


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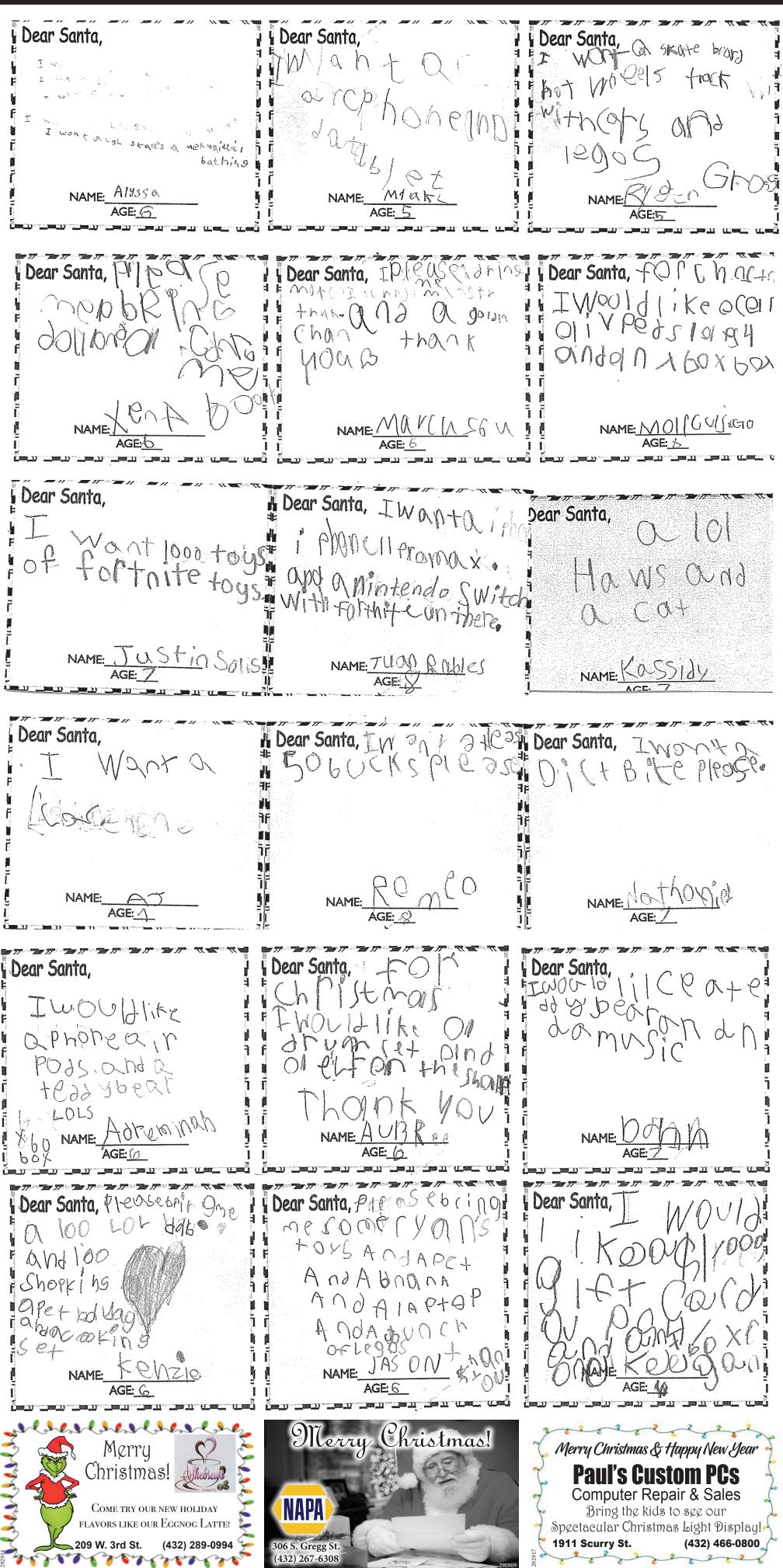
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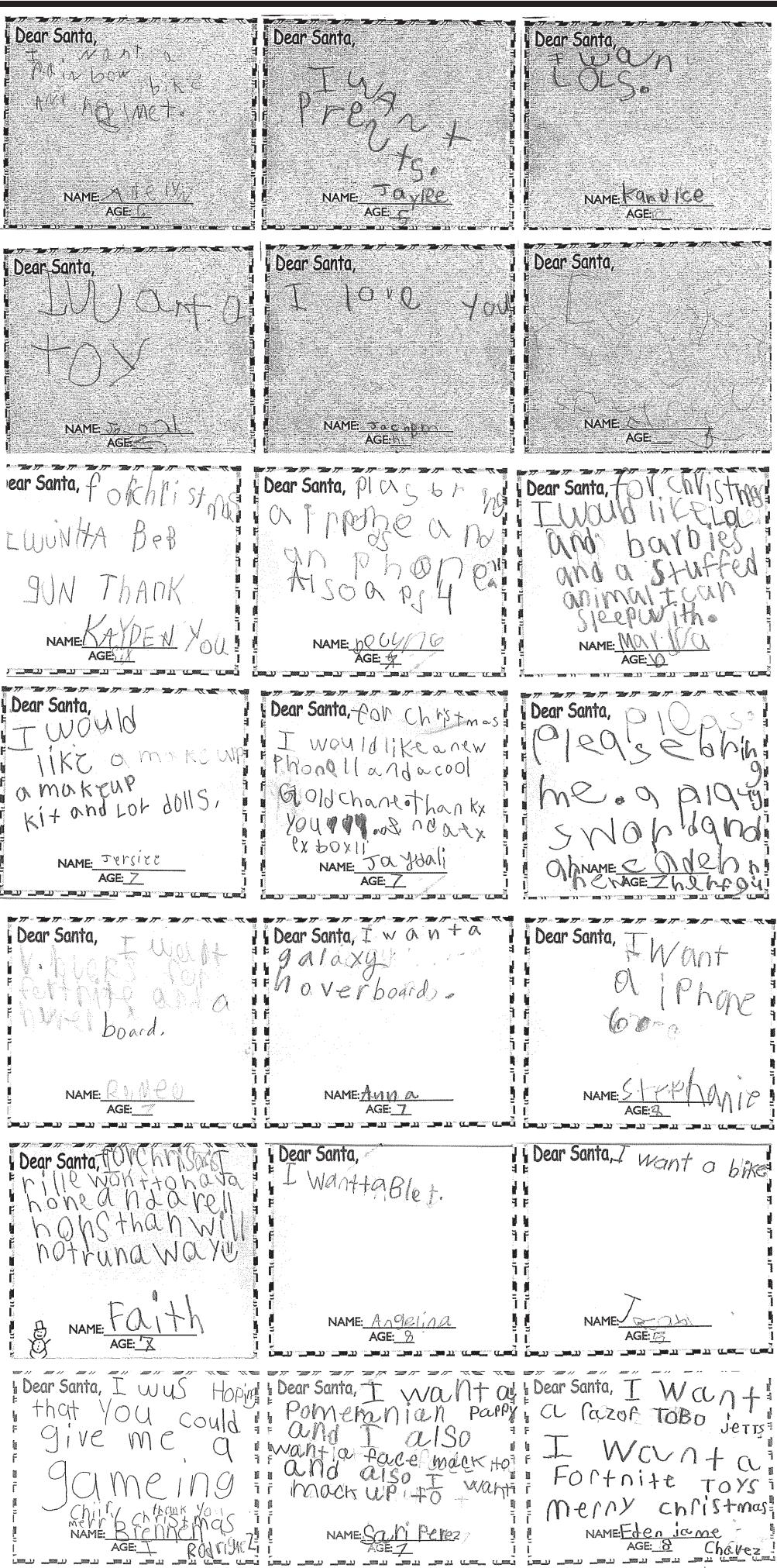


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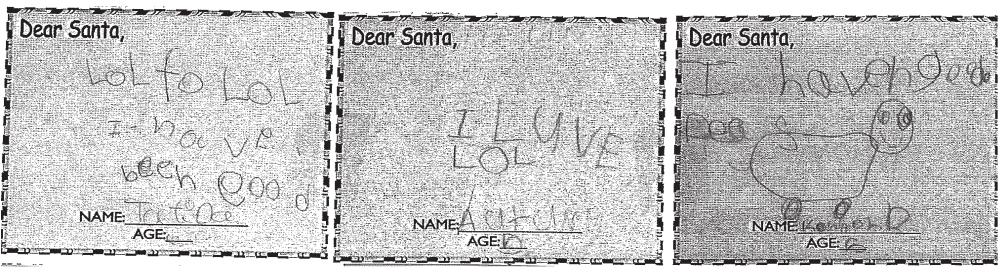


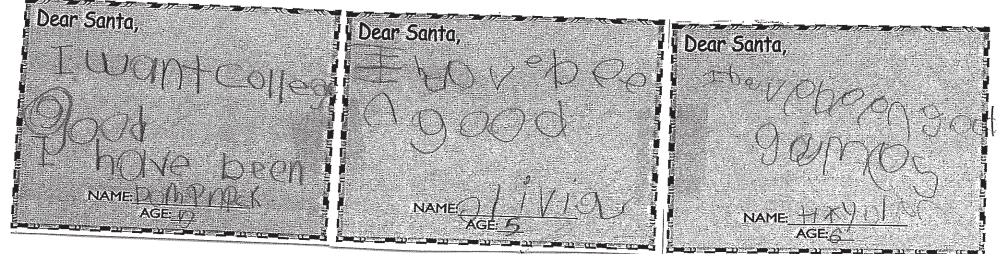
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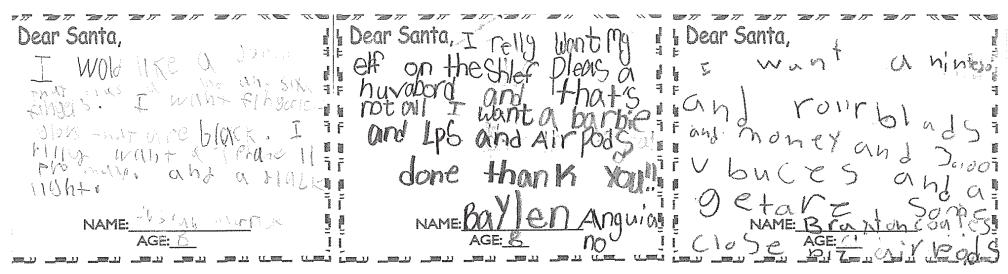












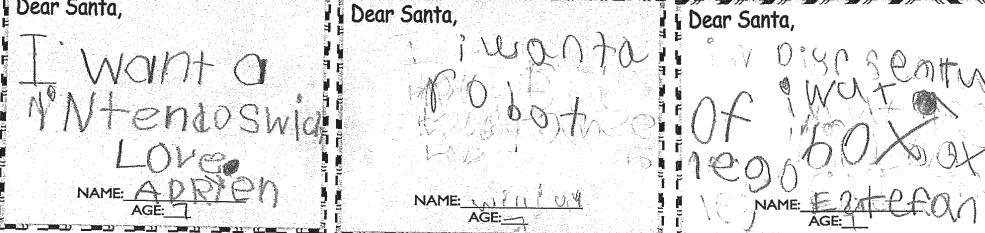


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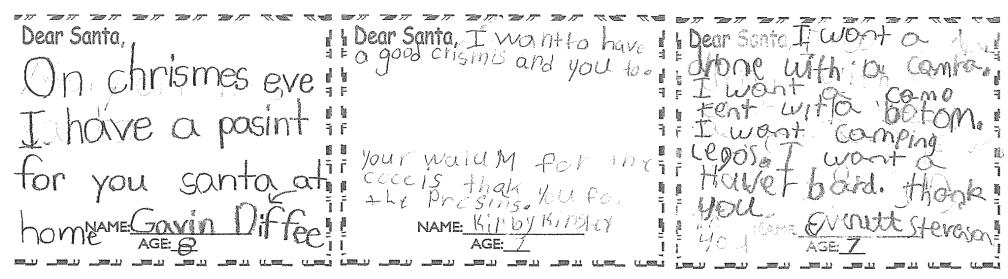
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