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## 11-year-old killed in Martin rollover

Herald Staff Report

STANTON — An 11-year-old boy was killed Friday afternoon in a one-vehicle accident in Martin County five miles west of Stanton.

Vincent Sanchez III of Sterling, Texas, was pronounced dead by Justice of the Peace officer JP McAnally at 2:55 p.m. The driver of the vehicle, Vincent Sanchez Jr., 33, of Sterling, was taken to

Midland Memorial Hospital. According to DPS officials, Vincent Sanchez Jr. was driving a 2008 Dodge 3500 eastbound on Interstate 20 when the left, rear tire blew out causing the vehicle to veer south leaving the roadway and overturned. Sanchez III was not wearing a seatbelt at the time of the accident, according to DPS. Weather and road conditions were reported dry and clear.

## Poll: Most feeling upbeat about 2015

By EMILY SWANSON  
 Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Americans are closing out 2014 on an optimistic note, according to a new Associated Press-Times Square Alliance poll. Nearly half predict that 2015 will be a better year for them than 2014 was, while only 1 in 10 think it will be worse. There's room for improvement: Americans give the year gone by a resounding 'meh.'

What Americans thought of 2014:

### GAINS AT HOME, SLIPS ABROAD

On a personal level, about a third (34 percent) think 2014 was better than 2013, while 15 percent say 2014 was worse and half see lit-

tle difference. Slightly fewer feel their year was a step down from the previous one than said so in 2013, when an AP-Times Square poll found 20 percent thought 2013 was worse than 2012. Americans are slightly more likely than they were a year ago to believe that the current year was better than the last for the United States— 30 percent say so this year, while 25 percent said so in 2013.

### THREE STORIES SHARE TOP SPOT

Americans are divided on the most important news event of 2014, with the rise of the Islamic State group in Iraq and Syria, protests over the killings of black

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Big Spring High School hitter Erin Pollard, along with teammate Julianna Rodriguez, earned recognition on the Texas Sports Writers Association all-state volleyball team. See story and photos, page 9A.



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## Obituaries

### Carol Green



Carol Green, 67, of Big Spring, passed away Thursday, Dec. 25, 2014, at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. The family will receive friends Sunday, Dec. 28, 2014, from 5 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Memorial service will be 4 p.m. Monday at Berea Baptist Church with Ulis Johnson, minister of Dallas & College Street Church of Christ in Colorado City, Texas, officiating.

Carol was born Sept. 11, 1947 in Waco, Texas to Vernell (Evans) and Isiah Matthews. She grew up in Bellmead, Texas and married Gerald Green Feb. 28, 1971, in Lovington, N.M. They relocated to Stanton and then to Big Spring. She received her Bachelor's of Science Degree from Paul Quinn College in Waco, Texas.

Carol retired in 2001 from the Big Spring Independent School District, having taught at Moss Elementary, Runnels and Big Spring Jr. High. She was certified in Learning Disabilities and Computer Literacy. She had also taught for Stanton Independent School District. She taught Special Ed and Technology Applications. She came out of retire-

ment and was currently working half-days at Big Spring Jr. High as an educational aide and this was her 41st year as an educator. She coached Special Olympics and served on the North Side Community Center Board and was past president (twice) of Howard County ARC. She was a Baptist.

Carol is survived by her husband Gerald Green of Big Spring; two daughters, Tabitha Barbee and husband David of Elbow and Kellee Green of Big Spring; one son, Jonathan Green and wife Adrenne of Big Spring; one step-son, Gerald Green Jr., of Fort Stockton; two step-daughters, Yolanda Mitchell of Dallas and DeEtte Green of Lubbock; 15 grandchildren, including Corey Green of Midland and Tyler Green of Katy; eight great-grandchildren; three brothers, Isiah Matthews Jr., of Waco, David Matthews of Topeka, Kan. and Samuel Matthews of Waco; and two sisters, Patricia Booker and husband Roscoe of Arlington and Diane Michna and husband Billy of Waco.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by one sister, Shirley Matthews and one brother, Augustus Matthews.

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

*Paid obituary*

### Al Aton



Al Aton, 95, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, Dec. 24, 2014, at his residence. Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 29, 2014, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with the Rev. Craig Holdstedt, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, officiating. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 28, 2014, at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

He was born June 27, 1919, in Endicott, N.Y. and married Kathleen Boatler May 12, 1945, in Las Ve-

gas, Nev. She preceded him in death August 17, 2010.

Al served in the U.S. Army Air Corps from 1941 to 1946. He owned the minor league baseball team, the Big Spring Broncs, in the 1950s. He also owned Saunders Oil Field Equipment.

He is survived by two daughters, Sherry Barnes and husband, Don of Lubbock and Kay Reynolds and husband, Larry of Silverdale, Wash.; five grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to First Presbyterian Church Memorial Fund, P. O. Box 2222, Big Spring, Texas 79721, or to a favorite charity.

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

## Police blotter

The Big Spring Police Department reported the following activity between 7 a.m. Wednesday and 7 a.m. today:

- DAVID WAYNE HOLSEN-BECK, 46, of 6507 N. Midway, was arrested on a charge of expired motor vehicle inspection.
- NOLAN-CASEY RAYMOND MOORE, 26, of 600 Avondale was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana, less than or equal to 2 ounces and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- ROBERT JIM GRANADO JR.,

22, of 1511 Bluebird St., was arrested on warrants for no driver's license-when not licensed; failure to appear; and possession of drug paraphernalia.

- MINOR ACCIDENT was reported on Interstate 20 near mile marker 177 and in the area of 18<sup>th</sup> Street and Gregg.
- HIT AND RUN was reported in the 800 block of Anna St.
- BURGLARY OF A HABITATION was reported in the 1100 block of Ridgeroad.
- STOLEN VEHICLE was re-

ported in the 2500 block of Ent. Drive.

• THEFT was reported in the 3600 block of W. Highway 80 and in the 2000 block of S. Gregg St.

• BURGLARY OF A BUILDING was reported in the 3300 block of E. FM 700.

• ASSAULT was reported in the 300 block of NW 10<sup>th</sup> St. and the 1600 block of Martin Luther King.

• THEFT was reported in the 1600 block of S. Gregg St. and the 1500 block of Tucson St.

## Support Groups

**MONDAY**  
• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7-8 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

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

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears).  
Open meeting at 7 p.m.

**TUESDAY**  
• Big Spring and Snyder Parkinsons Support Group meeting at the Big Spring Senior Center at 10:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of the month.

This is a group for all Parkinson's disease patients, spouses and caregivers.

For more information about the support group or about Parkinson's Disease, contact Jo

Bidwell at the Lubbock APDA office at 806-785-0942.

• VA Alcoholics Anonymous support group, 7:30-8:30 p.m., Veterans Healing Center.

• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, noon to 1 p.m.; closed discussion meeting 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

• Al-Anon, 615 Settles for family members and friends of alcoholics meets at 8 p.m.

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

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

**THURSDAY**  
• Alcoholics Anonymous, 615 Settles, open discussion noon to 1 p.m.; women's meeting; 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. Non-smoking closed discus-

sion meeting, 8 p.m. until 9 p.m.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries has a faith-based support group for those who need help finding and continuing to walk down the path God has for each of us. Meetings are at 11 a.m. until noon and again at 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.. The classes take place at Spring Tabernacle Ministries, located at 1209 Wright St.

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

• Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears). Open meeting at 7 p.m.

• A Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder support

group meeting is at 6:30 p.m. at the VA Medical Center Veteran's Healing Center.

**FRIDAY**  
• 7 p.m. — The Stepping Stone Group of Narcotics Anonymous meets at Spring Town Plaza (inside the mall, across from the movie box office, next to Sears).

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

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

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

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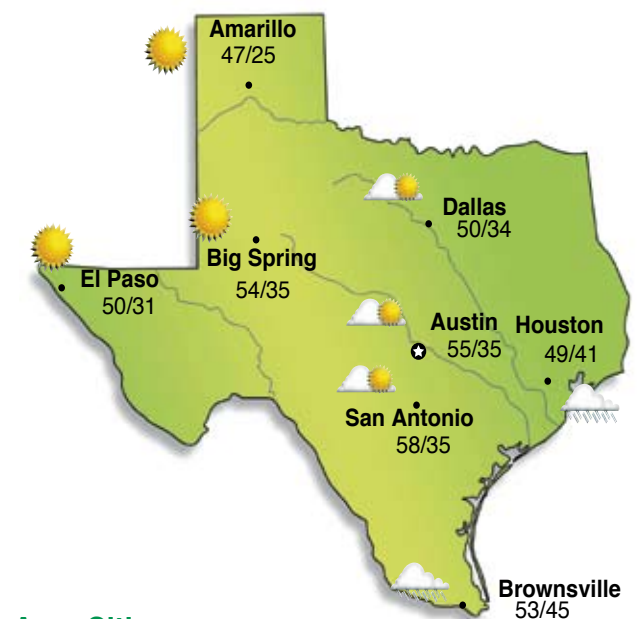
## Today's Weather

### Local 5-Day Forecast

Sun 12/28	Mon 12/29	Tue 12/30	Wed 12/31	Thu 1/1
<b>54/35</b> Sunny skies. High 54F. Winds WSW at 10 to 20 mph.	<b>61/28</b> Mainly sunny. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the upper 20s.	<b>38/24</b> Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 30s and lows in the mid 20s.	<b>33/27</b> A light wintry mix in the morning.	<b>39/31</b> Showers possible. Highs in the upper 30s and lows in the low 30s.
Sunrise: 7:46 AM Sunset: 5:49 PM	Sunrise: 7:46 AM Sunset: 5:50 PM	Sunrise: 7:46 AM Sunset: 5:50 PM	Sunrise: 7:47 AM Sunset: 5:51 PM	Sunrise: 7:47 AM Sunset: 5:52 PM



## Texas At A Glance



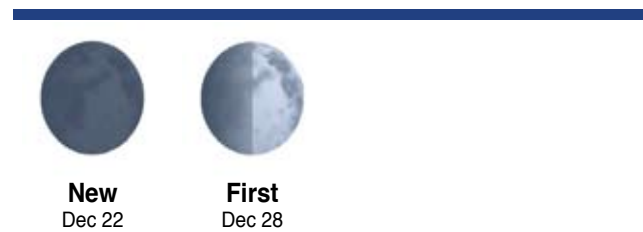
### Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Ablene	53	37	pt sunny	Kingsville	57	39	rain
Amarillo	47	25	sunny	Livingston	48	38	rain
Austin	55	35	pt sunny	Longview	49	35	cloudy
Beaumont	51	41	rain	Lubbock	48	30	sunny
Brownsville	53	45	rain	Lufkin	52	37	rain
Brownwood	53	33	pt sunny	Midland	54	36	sunny
Corpus Christi	53	42	rain	Raymondville	56	43	rain
Corsicana	51	34	pt sunny	Rosenberg	48	37	rain
Dallas	50	34	pt sunny	San Antonio	58	35	pt sunny
Del Rio	58	38	pt sunny	San Marcos	55	35	rain
El Paso	50	31	sunny	Sulphur Springs	49	34	pt sunny
Fort Stockton	57	38	sunny	Sweetwater	53	38	sunny
Gainesville	48	32	pt sunny	Tyler	50	34	pt sunny
Greenville	50	32	pt sunny	Weatherford	50	34	pt sunny
Houston	49	41	rain	Wichita Falls	47	32	sunny

### National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	68	52	rain	Minneapolis	24	10	cloudy
Boston	49	31	rain	New York	48	37	rain
Chicago	36	28	sunny	Phoenix	56	35	pt sunny
Dallas	50	34	pt sunny	San Francisco	56	47	mst sunny
Denver	38	13	pt sunny	Seattle	47	39	rain
Houston	49	41	rain	St. Louis	41	31	pt sunny
Los Angeles	60	45	windy	Washington, DC	51	43	rain
Miami	80	70	pt sunny				

### Moon Phases



### UV Index

Sun 12/28	Mon 12/29	Tue 12/30	Wed 12/31	Thu 1/1
3	3	3	2	1
Moderate	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV Index showing the need for greater skin protection.

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# Take note

• Calling it “a child safety measure,” Scenic Mountain Medical Center will no longer publicize the first baby of the New Year. “Like many hospitals around the country, we’ve based this decision on guidance provided by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, which has cautioned against these kinds of announcements because of the potential risk of abduction or identity theft.” said a SMMC spokesperson. “The birth of a baby is a joyous event and we know there is always interest in the first baby of the new year, but our first obligation is to the safety and privacy of our patients, which is why we have made this decision.”

• Crossroads Hospice needs volunteers for patient care. Contact Eva at 263-5300.

• Scenic Mountain Medical Center will be hosting two public forums on re-enrollment to the Health Insurance Marketplace. Representatives will be on hand to answer any questions you might have and to set up appointments for enrollment. The first event will take place at the YMCA at 5:30 p.m. Jan. 14 and the second event will be at the Salvation Army Boys and Girls Club on Jan. 20 at 6 p.m. Both events are free to attend and open to the public. Refreshments will be provided. For more information or to RSVP, call Amanda Duforat at 268-4699.

• Reservations are being taken for shirts and transportation for Howard County Day in Austin. The one-day event is meant to highlight the economic importance of Howard County to Texas law makers. Howard County Day in Austin is set for Feb. 10, 2015. Reservations are now being taken for a seat on a bus leaving from the Dorothy Garret Coliseum to attend the event. The charge is \$40 per

person and the deadline to register for a seat is Feb. 2. Shirt order deadline for a Howard County shirt is Jan. 7. The cost is \$29. For more information, contact Teresa Darden at the Big Spring Economic Development at 264-6032.

• A hungry child cannot learn. Food2Kids - Big Spring was created to provide nutrition for hundreds of children who do not get a substantial meal on the weekends. F2K began last November and this volunteer program now serves more than 300 children weekly. Once the need has been identified, F2K fills a sack of food to send home each Friday during the school year. You can help. Volunteers are needed and donations can be sent to Food2Kids - Big Spring, P.O. Box 1641, Big Spring 79721. Find us on Facebook at [www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids](http://www.Facebook.com/Food2Kids)

• Order of the Eastern Star Big Spring Chapter 67 meets the third Thursday of each month at 219 Main St. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Lodge meeting begins at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Jimmy Ruth at 270-7263.

• The Cross Roads Young Marines are taking applications for another boot camp. For more information, call 432-517-4791. Young Marines welcomes boys and girls ages 8 to 18 who are still attending school.

• Crossroads Hospice is looking for volunteers. Come and be part of our team. Contact Eva at 432-263-5300.

• The Big Spring Senior Center dance is open to all ages. No alcohol or smoking. Our parking lot is now well lit, and we are handicapped-accessible. Cost is \$8 per person.

• Victim Services is a non-profit independent community-based program serving victims of all violent crime, including, but not limited to, assault, sexual assault and domestic violence. Victim Services advocates are available 24 hours of day, 365 days a year to provide crisis intervention or accompaniment to the hospital and law enforcement agencies as needed. If you can commit to 30-hour training, an interview process and a background check, we need you. For more information, call Linda Calvio at 432-263-3312.

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

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

• Mobile meals is in need of volunteer delivery drivers. If you donate one hour per week to help deliver meals to the elderly, call Macaria Cantu at 263-4016.

• Spring Tabernacle Ministries, 1209 Wright St., has a brief, inspirational message before giving away food and clothing on Thursday mornings. It’s a great way to work off community service and get help, too. Be there at 9-11 a.m. and get two for one, plus a rehab meeting.

## Police outside funeral turn backs on mayor

NEW YORK (AP) — Hundreds of officers outside the church where a funeral was held for a policeman killed along with his partner in an ambush shooting turned their backs on the mayor as he spoke during Saturday’s service.

The reaction from officers watching Officer Rafael Ramos’ funeral on giant TV screens followed comments from police union officials who had said Mayor Bill de Blasio contributed to a climate of mistrust that contributed to the killings of the two officers.

Inside Christ Tabernacle Church in Queens, however, mourners gave de Blasio polite applause.

Police union officials have blamed de Blasio for fostering anti-police sentiment for his support of protesters angry that no charges will be filed in the police deaths of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri, and Eric Garner on Staten Island.

At a hospital after the officers’ slayings, the police union’s president, Patrick Lynch, and others turned their backs on de Blasio in a sign of disrespect. Lynch said the mayor had “blood on his hands.”

## POLL

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men including Michael Brown and Eric Garner by police officers, and the Ebola outbreak each named by about 1 in 10 Americans. In a separate Associated Press survey of news directors and editors, the killings of unarmed men by police stand out more clearly as the top story, with 22 of 85 respondents choosing it as the top news, about twice as many as the Islamic State or Ebola stories.

Among the public, Democrats are most likely to name the unrest over Brown and Garner’s deaths as most important (14 percent), while Republicans are most likely to list the rise of the Islamic State (16 percent). Non-whites are more apt to cite the protests around Brown and Garner’s deaths than whites (14 percent

among non-whites, 8 percent among whites). The poll was conducted before the shooting deaths of two New York City police officers by a man who threatened retaliation for the police killings of unarmed black men.

Asked separately to rate the importance of 10 key stories, majorities call the expansion of the Islamic State militant group, the Ebola outbreak and the U.S. midterm elections extremely or very important stories. Nearly half rate immigration as that important, while 43 percent say so of the Michael Brown and Eric Garner stories. Only a third think the disappearance of Malaysia Airlines Flight 370, the situation between Russia and Ukraine, or the rising number of states with legal same-sex marriage were deeply important stories.

### THE YEAR IN POP

### CULTURE

Few Americans rate this year’s crop of pop culture events as memorable, with one big exception: The death of Robin Williams, and the ensuing discussion of mental health issues. About two-thirds call that a memorable event.

Slightly more say it was more memorable (39 percent) than forgettable (34 percent) that CVS stopped selling cigarettes, and they’re divided equally on whether the ubiquitous ice bucket challenge was memorable (37 percent) or forgettable (37 percent). Thirty percent say the pitching performance of Mo’ne Davis, the first female pitcher to win a Little League World Series game, was memorable, while 41 percent say it was forgettable. Women are more likely than men to see Davis’s performance as memorable, 33 percent of women say so versus

26 percent of men.

Another sports first: Michael Sam becoming the first openly gay player drafted into the NFL, is rated forgettable by about half.

Events rating as forgettable by a majority of Americans include the leak of hacked celebrity photos on Reddit, Ellen DeGeneres’s selfie at the Oscars, Taylor Swift going pop, and the marriages of George and Amal Clooney and Kim

Kardashian and Kanye West.

### RINGING IN THE NEW YEAR

About half of Americans plan to celebrate New Year’s Eve at home this year, while 2 in 10 say they’ll do so at a friend or family member’s home. Fewer than 1 in 10 plan to celebrate at a bar, restaurant or organized event, while about a quarter don’t

plan to celebrate at all.

Six in 10 Americans plan to watch the televised New Year’s Eve events in Times Square, including two-thirds of women and over half of men.

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Thelma Banks Manuel Money funeral service will be at 1 p.m. today at Myers & Smith Chapel.

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Willy Dilworth of Brenham is the tax appraiser in Washington County.

He sometimes gets into some strange situations. Once he ventured into the countryside to determine the value of a vacant house. But it wasn't vacant. He heard what sounded like an explosion and discovered the loud blast came from dozens of buzzards taking flight. They had been roosting in a room that didn't have a roof.

That was the first interview I did on a recent trip to southeast Texas. At Blue Bell Creameries I got to sample the new Christmas flavor, Peppermint Bark. I wandered over to Glissman's, a store in downtown Brenham that used to be a drug store and auto repair shop. The elevator still works. It used to haul cars to the second floor, which had a skylight so the mechanics could see what they were doing. Claude Green was visiting from Manor and we got to talking. I got out my recorder to get a story about rattlesnakes coming out of



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the walls in a cave.

A real highlight of the trip for me was to meet Sonny Ray Stolz of Houston, who was the voice of Big Tex at the state fair. He has roots in Brenham. I next went to nearby Kenney and interviewed Norma Richter who creates art from everyday objects. She then took me over to meet a woman who makes explosives for down hole drilling. Then I went to the Woodlands to visit contemporary artist Liz Hill.

At Liberty I interviewed Caroline and Larry Wadzeck of Dayton. Caroline has written a book about how streets in Dayton got their names. She and Larry made a hobby of taking photos of all the 254 courthouses in Texas. The project took several years. Then I interviewed Kevin Ladd, a historian based out of the old school museum at Wallisville. Next I visited a member of the Ripkowski family that had a dozen men in the US Armed Forces at the same time. No other family can make that claim.

I traveled to a little village called Ace and visited with rodeo cowboy Tom Haltom, a member of the Texas Rodeo Hall of Fame. Then I went to Cut and Shoot. I hadn't been there in a while so I thought I'd see how things were going there. City

Secretary Amy Wade says it's just a nice quiet place and she likes it that way.

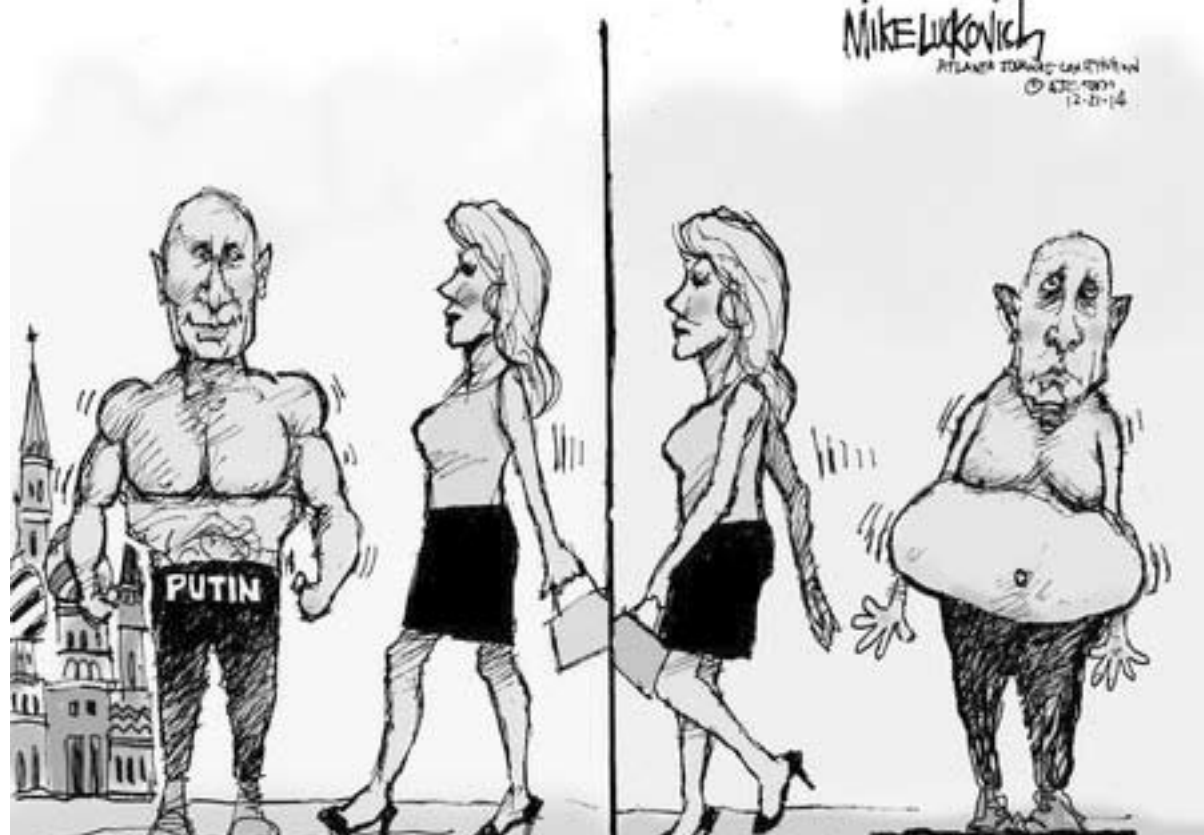
Just out of Conroe I recorded Margie Kendall playing her ukulele. She's a member of a ukulele band that plays somewhere every week. In Montgomery I had the pleasure of having a long visit with Brad Anderson, a ninety-year-old man who has drawn the cartoon Marmaduke for 60 years. His mind is as fertile as ever.

In Winnie I learned about making olive oil from Rhonda Devillier. She and her husband have thousands of olive trees. James Gentz ranches near Winnie and sells longhorn beef 93 percent lean.

Historian Bob Scherer of Anahuac told me about the 1937 county courthouse that was the first air-conditioned court house in Texas. Sarah Cerrone briefed me on Anahuac's Gatorfest. In Baytown I interviewed Ken Pridgeon who paints fine art portraits of Texas military men and women killed in action.

Not a bad 3-day trip. I got home with 21 interviews.

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## A special rocking chair

At any given moment, folks are clearing attics and basements and marking garage sale items. They cling to the idiom that one man's (or woman's) trash is another one's treasure. Such has been the case for decades.

Sure enough, buyers show up, sometimes paying dimes on dollars for items that may need new paint, renovation or repairs to be made usable—or attractive for resale. Prices often are negotiated, and friendly “haggling” is not uncommon. (Both sellers and buyers believe they're making “real killings.”)

That's the background for this account. Abigail Criner is a resident of Bellville, Texas, where husband Michael has been a church pastor for two years. Early on, with daughters Adele and Ruth—now 4 and 3, respectively—she visited a garage sale, spotting a rocking chair she believed had “real potential.” Abby paid \$15 for it, feeling she'd find time to sand, varnish and reupholster to restore its original splendor.

In short, the project was placed on her “to do” list. Instead of moving up, though, it moved to a “one-of-these-days list,” iffy at best. Before long, she was pregnant with her third child, Talitha, now 11 months old. Suddenly, her lists seemed longer than the longest of bucket lists. While she loved the thought of rocking three youngsters, “must

do” duties pushed her lesser “to do's” to the side.

Back in October, Abby decided to have a garage sale. Sadly, almost tearfully, she included the rocker in it, pricing it at \$5. Sure enough, a woman—also a new Bellville resident—paid the five bucks, confident she could restore the rocker to its original condition.

Telling her story to the purchaser she knew only as “Annie,” Abby asked if she could see it when the project was completed.

Soon, the rocker was both out of sight and almost out of mind. The Criners saw Annie again recently during the community's annual Small Town Christmas. It featured parades, giveaways at local businesses, caroling and even “Breakfast with Santa.” This time, she was dressed as “Mrs. Claus,” handing out candy to the children as she proudly represented the local chapter of the American Cancer Society.

To Michael, Abby and the girls, though, she was “Mrs. Claus”—not the woman who had purchased the old rocking chair.

A few days before Christmas, the Criners' doorbell rang. Abby answered it. There was Annie, standing beside a beautifully restored rocking chair.

“Merry Christmas,” she said. Then, Annie returned to her car and drove away.

Abby was stunned. The rocking chair now is one of her most cherished Christmas gifts of all time—not so much for its value, but because it is the centerpiece of a wonderful Christian gesture—the likes of which we tend to believe happened only in the long ago. And talk about a gift

that keeps on giving.

Maybe it wasn't too long after the invention of the wheel that someone discovered that half a wheel can be fashioned to provide rocking motion for cradles and chairs.

I'm guessing that such locomotion may be technologically enhanced as future decades unroll. I doubt, though, that mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers, aunts, sisters and others will be interested in the “improved” versions.

They'll stick with their old-fashioned rocking chairs, putting up with their creaks, peeling paint and crayon marks. After all, they're grand for holding children close—singing and reading to them, praying for them and helping them get to sleep. And it is a “Christmasy kind of warmth” to know there still are people like Annie “out there” who gift others simply because they feel led to do so.

United Way many years ago in a little town capitalized on this slogan: “Don't give ‘til it hurts; give ‘til it feels good!” Some learn this truism early on; some never do.

As we face the clean slate of a new year, let's look for ways to assist others—yes, even people whose names and stories we don't know. To “pass it on” is nothing new. The Holy Bible instructs us to look after each other.

As others are blessed, so are we. Happy New Year!

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### DAILY PRAYER

May we carry the Christmas spirit into the weekend and all year long, oh Lord.

Amen

## News in brief

### Spokesman: George H.W. Bush remains in hospital

HOUSTON (AP) — Former President George H.W. Bush is spending a fourth night in a Houston hospital where he's being treated after experiencing shortness of breath earlier this week.

Family spokesman Jim McGrath said Friday evening the 90-year-old Bush "remains in high spirits and continues to make progress."

No other details were disclosed in the brief statement.

Bush was taken to Houston's Methodist Hospital on Tuesday night in what was reported as a precaution. He spent nearly two months, including Christmas, at the same hospital two years ago for treatment of a bronchitis-related cough and other issues.

Bush is the oldest living former American president. He suffers from a form of Parkinson's disease that has forced him to rely on a motorized scooter or wheelchair.

### US looks into retirement plans for employees at RadioShack

NEW YORK (AP) — The U.S. Department of Labor is investigating how RadioShack manages its retirement plan for employees, according to a regulatory filing.

The electronics retailer received a letter from the department saying that it was looking into its 401(k) plan going back to 2011, according to the filing with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission this week.

The Fort Worth, Texas, company is the target of at least three related lawsuits and said that it has provided documents at the Labor Department's request. The agency conducted on-sight document reviews and interviews this month, it said.

RadioShack Corp. has struggled to compete as online retailers and it has fought with creditors who have opposed its plans to aggressively close stores to cut down on spending. The company said in November that it might need to file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

It recently brought on FTI Consulting as an adviser as it reported broadening third-quarter losses.

### Report: \$34M in repairs needed at Texas college

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — A report conducted by two architectural firms says more than \$34 million in repairs and upgrades are needed at a West Texas community college.

The firms will create a master plan to prioritize the needs at each of the five campuses of El Paso Community College. The plan also will detail services needed for a new campus the college intends to build at the Fort Bliss Army post.

The El Paso Times reports the assessment comes as the college projects enrollment to grow to 45,000 students in 12 years. The school has about 29,000 students now.

Officials say campuses lack gathering space for students, have small classrooms, outdated heating and cooling systems, and other problems.

The college has not yet developed a plan to pay for the improvements.

### Teen found fatally shot at Houston complex

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston police are investigating after a 16-year-old male was found shot to death in the common area of an apartment complex.

Police say the teen's body was found Tuesday evening. The victim was pronounced dead at the scene. His identity has not yet been released.

Police say there are currently no known witnesses or suspects.

### Man fatally shot by North Texas homeowner

DECATUR, Texas (AP) — Authorities say a Wise County homeowner fatally shot a man who tried to jump his fence and then demanded to be let into the home during an altercation in the yard.

The incident happened early Friday morning. Wise County Sheriff David Walker says the homeowner did not know the 31-year-old man.

Authorities say after someone repeatedly rang the doorbell and knocked on the door, the homeowner armed himself and went outside. The homeowner then saw a man trying to scale a fence to get into his backyard.

Walker says the homeowner and the man got into an altercation as the stranger demanded to be let into the house.

Walker says the homeowner called police to report someone was trying to break into his home before the shooting.

### Sunday target to release 14 young whooping cranes into marsh

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Biologists with the state Department of Wildlife and Fisheries hope to release 14 young endangered whooping cranes into a southwest Louisiana swamp on Sunday.

Possible reasons for delaying it could be too much wind for a first flight, too much fog to see or so much rain that it would drench the baggy costumes worn to keep the cranes from getting used to people.

A fourth possible reason: too many aggressive adult cranes in the neighborhood.

Biologist Sara Zimorski says that for the second year in a row, adults released in earlier years have been dropping by while the patchy cinnamon-and-white youngsters were penned. She says the adults generally show up for a day or two, then leave.

# Obama's chef hangs up apron

WASHINGTON (AP) — Political advisers, chiefs of staff, press secretaries and national security advisers have come and gone in the nearly six years Barack Obama has been president. Now, Obama's personal chef is waving goodbye.

Sam Kass has been a fixture at the executive mansion, serving up nutrition policy alongside meals for Obama, his wife, Michelle, and daughters Malia and Sasha. He was not only their personal chef but senior adviser for nutrition policy, giving him a seat at the table where administration officials hashed out everything from updated food labels to new requirements for healthier school lunches.

Kass, a newlywed, is leaving the White House at the end of the month, but don't ask him what the Obamas like or don't like to eat. "Top secret," he said.

"I love this family and believe in everything the president and first lady are doing and this has been the greatest job of my life and I assume will be the greatest job of my life," the 34-year-old Chicago native said in an interview. "But I'm going to be with my wife. Once you're married you kind of need to be together."

Kass' wife, MSNBC host Alex Wagner, is based in New York City.

Kass' relationship with the Obamas started when they hired him to cook healthier meals for the family in Chicago before the 2008 elections. Michelle Obama was a vice president at the University of Chicago



Medical Center and caring for young daughters, while Obama was a U.S. senator spending most of his time in Washington.

But the relationship sprouted well beyond the professional. Besides Kass' tireless work for Mrs. Obama, for whom he wore a third hat as executive director of her anti-childhood obesity campaign, Kass sometimes traveled with Obama and joined his weekend or vacation golf outings. Obama, in turn, blocked out several hours on his busy schedule to attend Kass' late-August wedding.

Obama said Kass "has grown from a close friend to a critical member of my team" and has left "an indelible mark on the White House." Mrs. Obama praised Kass' "extraordinary legacy of progress," which she said includes healthier food options in groceries, more nutritious school lunches and initiatives to improve how food is marketed to kids.

Unlike any White House chef before him, Kass helped make deci-

sions with far greater potential consequences than whether the president's veggies, which Kass often plucked from the first lady's garden on the South Lawn, should be steamed or sautéed.

The school lunch changes have led Mrs. Obama into a public spat with the School Nutrition Association, an industry-backed group that represents school cafeteria workers and food companies that sell to schools. The group has lobbied Congress to weaken the standards, arguing they are a burden on financially pinched districts and a big reason why kids are throwing their lunches into the garbage.

A House Republican-led effort to allow some districts to ignore the new lunch standards altogether failed to advance in Congress, but requirements for more whole grains in school foods will be eased instead. The fight over the broader standards is expected to heat up again next year when Republicans, who are sympathetic to the association's arguments,

will control both houses of Congress.

Nutrition advocates say anyone who hopes these issues will disappear with Kass will be disappointed.

"This administration is very committed to nutrition and obesity prevention. That commitment runs very deep," said Margo Wootan, a nutrition lobbyist for the Center for Science in the Public Interest, who has pushed for healthier school meals.

Despite her group's issues with the lunch standards, Patricia Montague, the School Nutrition Association's chief executive, said Kass and "Let's Move," the first lady's anti-childhood obesity initiative, played "an important role in promoting healthier lifestyles for children both at school and at home."

Kass will stay involved with "Let's Move," along with broader efforts to improve childhood nutrition, the White House said.

Testifying to Kass' commitment, former colleague Kristina Schake said Kass spent weekends living the work he did at the White House, including visiting farms, farmers markets and food purveyors. "He can talk about different types of lettuce the way other men talk about sports teams," she said.

Kass said his plan after leaving the White House is to get some sleep, and "I guess I'll also be the chef for my wife."

As for who will prepare Obama's dinners going forward, Kass said the White House kitchen staff has it covered.

## Mississippi towns regroup after deadly storms

COLUMBIA, Miss. (AP) — Elizabeth Bordelon planned to go Christmas shopping until nasty weather blowing through southeastern Mississippi convinced her to hold off.

By the time she returned Tuesday to her Columbia trailer park she had called home for only a short time, a neighbor's mobile home had flipped onto her grandmother's, trapping her and Bordelon's aunt. She said her grandmother, 73-year-old Maryjean Sartin, was killed. She was one of four killed in Columbia and Laurel by likely tornadoes that tore through the communities.

"I had left the house to go pick up a friend to go to Hattiesburg and do some Christmas shopping," said Bordelon, whose sons are 6 and 4. "But the weather

turned so bad that we decided to wait. By the time I got home, I'd rounded the corner and then saw all the damage."

Bordelon, 26, said the wind from the storm apparently blew under the neighbor's trailer and flipped it. Bordelon said her aunt was hospitalized.

Although she identified her grandmother, authorities have not released the names of the victims.

Chasity Magee, 32, owned the trailer that flipped onto Sartin's home. She said she and her two children were at her mother's home about a mile away when the storm raged.

"I saw pictures of the trailer park, but it didn't register to me that that was my trailer (that flipped)," Magee said.

She said when she returned Wednesday, she learned of Sartin's death. She managed to climb through what was a window to retrieve some personal items but that was about it.

"I couldn't salvage Christmas for them," she said of her 7-year-old and 5-month-old children, "but we'll be fine. We'll all be OK."

The destructive system damaged communities from Mississippi to Georgia and was making its way off the Eastern coast. Flood warnings were issued for several counties in Alabama, Georgia, Florida and Louisiana.

In Columbia, police were stationed at all major intersections after traffic lights were either swept away or destroyed. At least 20 people were injured there.

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# Flying high: Airstream can't keep up with demand

JACKSON CENTER, Ohio (AP) — Bob Wheeler still gets the question sometimes when people find out he runs the company that builds those shiny aluminum campers: "Airstreams? They still make those?"

Not only are the retro-looking "silver bullet" travel-trailers still being built by hand at the same western Ohio site that has produced them for 60 years, but the company also can't roll them out of there fast enough to meet the demand these days.

The instantly recognizable silver bubble design — inspired by airplane fuselages — hasn't been tweaked much since the first Airstreams took to the open road in the 1930s on the way to becoming an American icon. The polished campers have cameoed in Hollywood movies and even quarantined the Apollo 11 astronauts when they got back from the moon. They have also inspired a legion of devotees who socialize with one another at Airstream caravans and rallies all over the world — including an annual Ohio jamboree known as "Alumapalooza."

"Any time we've seen an Airstream, it's like the clouds part and an angelic choir starts singing," says Cliff Garinn, a 49-year-old college career counselor from Dallas. He and his husband bought a new one in April and are already trading up to a larger model for frequent weekend camping trips and summer vacation.

Airstream builds 50 travel-trailers every week at the plant in Jackson Center, all gleaming and aerodynamic and riveted by hand. The backlog is about three



months, and ground has already been broken on a major expansion at the factory north of Dayton that eventually will increase production capacity by 50 percent.

The RV industry was dealt a body blow by the Great Recession but has rebounded with gusto. Shipments in 2014 are expected to be up more than 8 percent, following the best October in the industry in nearly 40 years. Production next year is expected to return to levels seen before the economy tanked.

Airstream — owned by the larger Indiana-based RV maker Thor Industries — is riding the wave, surging with three record years in a row. Wheeler says shipments now are about twice what they were during the best days before the recession.

Besides a better economy,

Airstream is benefiting from a big bubble of Baby Boomers, many now choosing not to wait until their 60s to buy one, and a new wave of desire for the classic designs of America's yesteryear — even if they command top dollar. New Airstreams run \$42,000 to \$140,000.

"For us, the Airstream just represented this beautiful piece of machinery, this beautiful design that other trailers and RVs don't give you," says 46-year-old Kate Gilbert. She and her husband, Iain, sold their house in San Diego this year and now live full time in their 27-foot solar panel-equipped Airstream, traveling the country.

Tara Cox, a 40-year-old magazine editor who wrote a book called "Airstream: The Silver RV," notes the fandom bordering on fanaticism that the

trailers inspire, besides the fact that they cost more than other RVs, usually have less storage space and require more maintenance to keep the outside looking nice. She compares Airstream owners with Harley-Davidson riders who baby their bikes.

"It's that labor of love," she says.

Baby Boomers are still the heart of the demographic, but the company is actively reaching out to younger people, using social media to show them how an Airstream could fit their lifestyles. It's also testing less-expensive, lighter and easier-to-tow designs that Wheeler says might be "less intimidating" to younger buyers.

Airstream got an injection of hip recently when it collaborated with the Columbus College of Art and Design

to plan and build a camper with a workspace and living area aimed at people in their 20s and 30s whose jobs allow them to work from anywhere. The company says the design elements — including a rear hatch that opens the convertible work area to the great outdoors — will be incorporated into future production models.

Meggin Hurlburt, a 34-year-old paralegal from San Diego, says the Airstream purchase was an investment in her family. She's married with a 6-year-old son. She says the vintage look and the reputation for durability drew them in.

"We didn't want to wait until we were retired because we wanted to enjoy it now," she says. "It's not like the white box trailer that's going to fall apart in 10 years."

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# News in brief

## North Korea compares Obama to monkey, blames US for Internet shutdown amid Sony hacking row

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — North Korea has compared President Barack Obama to a monkey and blamed the U.S. for shutting down its Internet amid the hacking row over the movie "The Interview."

The North has denied involvement in a crippling cyberattack on Sony Pictures, but has expressed fury over the comedy, which depicts the assassination of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un. Sony Pictures initially called off the release of the film, citing threats of terror attacks against U.S. movie theaters. Obama criticized Sony's decision, and the movie opened this past week.

On Saturday, the North's powerful National Defense Commission, which is led by Kim and is the country's top governing body, said Obama was behind the release of "The Interview." It described the movie as illegal, dishonest and reactionary.

"Obama always goes reckless in words and deeds like a monkey in a tropical forest," an unidentified spokesman at the commission's Policy Department said in a statement carried by North Korea's official Korean Central News Agency.

It wasn't the first time North Korea has used crude insults against Obama and other top U.S. and South Korean officials. Earlier this year, the North called U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry a wolf with a "hideous" lantern jaw and South Korean President Park Geun-hye a prostitute. In May, the North's official news agency published a dispatch saying Obama has the "shape of a monkey."

## 'The Interview' earns \$1 million in theaters; will major studios rethink day-and-date release?

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "The Interview" was never supposed to be a paradigm-shifting film. But unusual doesn't even begin to describe the series of events that transpired over the past few weeks, culminating in the truly unprecedented move by a major studio to release a film in theaters and on digital platforms simultaneously.

Sony is in uncharted waters now with the film, which earned \$1.04 million from 331 locations on Thursday, according to studio estimates, in addition to the untold VOD grosses.

"Considering the incredibly challenging circumstances, we are extremely grateful to the people all over the country who came out to experience "The Interview" on the first day of its unconventional release," said Rory Bruer, president of worldwide distribution for Sony Pictures in a statement.

For a film that would have just come and gone in the usual 3,000 theaters without much fanfare, the \$40 million comedy has now become an accidental case study in the world of day-and-date releases, in which titles are available both in theaters and for digital rental simultaneously. The industry is watching closely to see just where audiences will choose to place their dollars in the coming days and weeks. The big question is whether or not this strategy could be viable for major releases in the future.

While a \$3,142 per-theater average and sold-out showings when audiences had the option to watch the film from the comfort of their own homes is nothing to scoff at, analysts agree that it probably doesn't signal the

beginning of a significant change in how Hollywood does business.

## Thousands expected at NYPD officer's funeral; mayor and vice president to speak

NEW YORK (AP) — Thousands of people were expected to attend the funeral of a New York City police officer shot to death along with his partner one week ago in a brazen daylight ambush that shook the city and put an end to large-scale local protests criticizing police following a series of high-profile deaths in police custody.

Vice President Joe Biden and Mayor Bill de Blasio were expected to speak Saturday at the funeral of Officer Rafael Ramos, who was described the day before during an eight-hour wake attended by thousands of police officers from New York and across the country as a selfless, caring and compassionate man.

"What happened to my father was a tragedy," Ramos' son, Justin Ramos, said in a tearful eulogy viewed by hundreds of officers in the street who watched on giant television screens outside the crowded Christ Tabernacle Church in Queens. "But his death will not be in vain."

Ramos, a 40-year-old married father of two, was studying to become a pastor and kept Bible study books in his locker, his commanding officer said.

Funeral plans for his partner, Officer Wenjian Liu, have yet to be announced.

## Chinese parents face police harassment in agonizing, lonely search for missing children

BEIJING (AP) — In the grainy video, Zhang Xiuhong can see her daughter ride her bike down a country road on her way to school one spring afternoon six years ago.

In the next shot, Yao Li rides down a driveway a few moments after her classmates walk by. Then, the pictures stop: The 15-year-old disappeared just minutes after that surveillance footage was taken, leaving only a shoe as a clue in a nearby ditch.

Zhang and her husband have since searched all over China for Yao Li, hoping to rescue her from a child trafficking industry that swallows up thousands of boys and girls every year. Along the way, the couple have also been harassed, arrested and jailed repeatedly by police who accuse them of stirring up trouble by joining with other parents and taking their search to the streets.

"We go out and search, and then all these police surround us," Zhang said in the dingy room she and her husband share near where her daughter was last seen. "Nobody's watching for my daughter. Nobody's doing anything. How can we have any more hope?"

In a tightly monitored society where authorities detain even relatives of air crash victims demanding government action, Zhang and other parents of missing children have learned that they must fight on two fronts.

## GOP governors offer a glimpse of conservative policies that might be put into place nationally

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — One group of potential candidates for president probably won't be shuffling off to Iowa, New Hampshire or other early campaign spots in the new year.

They'll be hunkered down in statehouses across the Midwest, pushing bills through their legislatures.

Few outside their home states will notice, but these governors and their policies could wind up in the national campaign picture.

Scott Walker of Wisconsin, Mike Pence of Indiana, Rick Snyder of Michigan and John Kasich of Ohio were all elected after Republicans began taking political control of the middle of the country back in 2010. Since then, they have offered a glimpse of what some conservative policies would look like if put into wider effect.

Should any of these governors join the race for the White House, their state records would become their chief qualification for higher office and might provide some distance from partisan battles in Washington. The governors could also benefit from being in a region rich with swing states.

"All those governors have stories of success to tell and stories about crisis management," said veteran Republican presidential strategist Charlie Black.

## Study says Colorado has second-highest percentage of marijuana users in country

DENVER (AP) — Colorado emerged as the state with the second-highest percentage of regular marijuana users as it began legalizing the drug, according to a new national study.

The Denver Post reports the study by the National Survey on Drug Use and Health found about 1 out of 8 Colorado residents older than 12 had used marijuana in the past month. Only Rhode Island topped Colorado in the percentage of residents who reported using pot as often, according to the study.

The study averaged state-specific data over two-year periods. It found that, for the 2011-2012 period, 10.4 percent of Colorado residents 12 and older said they had used pot in the month before being surveyed. That number jumped to 12.7 percent in the 2012-2013 data. That means about 530,000 people in Colorado use marijuana at least once a month, according to the results.

Nationally, about 7.4 percent of people 12 and older reported monthly marijuana use. That's an increase of about 4 percent.

In Washington state, which also

legalized marijuana use and limited possession for adults, monthly pot use rose about 20 percent to 12.3 percent of people 12 and older.

## Baby gorilla shunned by mother and raised by human keepers in hairy vests will switch zoos

CINCINNATI (AP) — A baby gorilla raised by human keepers wearing hairy vests is ready to be placed with other gorillas and will move to the Columbus Zoo, the Cincinnati Zoo said Friday.

Kamina, a young, female Western lowland gorilla, was born in August at the zoo in Oklahoma City but was shunned by her mother, so she was sent to Cincinnati in September. The human surrogates taught her to act like a gorilla and then placed her with two female gorillas.

When they didn't bond with her, keepers decided Kamina's best option was moving to Columbus. The Cincinnati Zoo's curator of primates says the rejection was surprising but such introductions are delicate and don't always work out.

"Kamina has learned all of the behaviors she needs to know in order to be successful in a gorilla group," Ron Evans, primates curator, said in a statement. "Unfortunately, neither of the adult females that we hoped would bond with her did."

Officials are working out details of her transfer to the Columbus Zoo, which has previous experience with surrogacy placements.

## Syria 'ready to participate' in Moscow peace talks

DAMASCUS (AP) — Syrian state-run TV said Saturday that the government is prepared to take part in peace talks hosted by Russia next month, but the unnamed foreign ministry official it cited suggested the scope of the negotiations would be limited to "preliminary" talks meant to pave the way for a conference.

The official was quoted as saying the government was "ready to participate in preparatory, advisory meetings in Moscow" that would "answer the aspirations of Syrians to find an exit from the crisis."

Russia's Foreign Ministry had said Thursday that it hoped to host peace talks after Jan. 20 between the Syrian government and its fractured opposition.

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# Cowboys not backing off against Redskins

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Tony Romo hasn't made it through his past two games against Washington without a back injury, and the most realistic playoff scenarios don't require the Redskins on Sunday.

So what does that mean for the 34-year-old quarterback who has actually had three back problems in less than two years? Not much.

"I go in with the exact same mental approach I do every game," Romo said. "If you're a football player and there's a game, there's only one way to

play and it's hard the whole time. You go all out. I think you're doing a disservice to the game and your team if you don't play that way."

Besides, the only inexplicable loss this season for NFC East champion Dallas (11-4) came against a Washington team already going nowhere in October. Granted, the Cowboys were without Romo for about a quarter in the second half after taking a direct hit to his surgically repaired back on a sack by linebacker Keenan Robinson.

But they still couldn't get

key stops against third-string quarterback Colt McCoy, who started in place of ineffective backup Kirk Cousins while Robert Griffin III was still sidelined with a dislocated ankle. The 20-17 loss in overtime snapped Dallas' six-game winning streak.

"Everyone knows what happened last time," defensive lineman Tyrone Crawford said. "That's not a feeling that we like around here. So we don't want it to happen again."

The earlier win means the Redskins (4-11) can break even in the division in an other-

wise dismal first season under coach Jay Gruden. Plus, Washington is coming off a 27-24 upset of Philadelphia that put the Cowboys in position to knock the Eagles out of the playoffs, which they did the next day by beating Indianapolis.

"It would give us a chance to finish 3-3 in our division and sweep the Cowboys, which our fans love," Griffin said. "It's Dallas week. We understand that. They're playing at a very high level right now."

In his last visit to Washington, Romo finished a winning rally last December after sustaining

a herniated disk earlier in the game. He had surgery five days later and missed a season-ending loss to Philadelphia that extended the Cowboys' playoff drought to four years.

After his latest back injury against the Redskins — best described as two small fractures — Romo missed a loss to Arizona and clearly had a difficult time with the quick Thanksgiving turnaround a few weeks later in a loss to the Eagles. They've put together three strong performances since then, another reason to try to keep it going.

## Could Watt be NFL MVP?

HOUSTON (AP) — Should J.J. Watt be the NFL's Most Valuable Player?

Many who are paid to find ways to slow down the overpowering defensive end for the Houston Texans say yes.

"I'd vote for him," Cincinnati offensive coordinator Hue Jackson said. "I've never had a game in my coaching career when I basically had to plan to run one way all day, and he forced me to do that."

No defensive player has won the MVP since Lawrence Taylor in 1986, joining Alan Page in 1971 as the only defenders to pick up the honor.

"He's a nightmare," Colts coach Chuck Pagano said. "It's like a scary movie ... he's near unblockable. He'd get my vote for MVP right now."

Watt leads the NFL with 25 tackles for losses and 47 quarterback hits. His 17 1/2 sacks are second most in the NFL and he needs 2 1/2 to become the first player in NFL history with at least 20 sacks in two seasons. He leads the NFL with five fumble recoveries and is the first player since Bill Golding in 1948 to have three of defensive touchdowns and two touchdowns on take-aways in a season.

## Coahoma hires Blair as softball coach

The Coahoma Bulldogettes will have a new head softball coach this season as they seek to return to the upper echelon of the state's softball ranks. The Coahoma Independent School District trustees hired former Vernon College head coach John Blair to take over the program earlier this month.

Blair spent 17 years as the head coach at Vernon College, leading the program until 2012 when he left to join the Burkburnett ISD program.



Tony Claxton photos (www.claxtonphotography.com)

Big Spring seniors Erin Pollard (left) and Julianna Rodriguez were named to the Texas Sports Writers Association's Class 4A all-state volleyball team earlier this week. Pollard and Rodriguez helped guide Big Spring to its second straight trip to the regional tournament this season.

# Pollard, Rodriguez selected to all-state volleyball squad

By TOMMY WELLS  
Sports Editor

Erin Pollard and Julianna Rodriguez collected more than a few accolades for their prowess on the volleyball court after having led the Big Spring Lady Steers to a second straight trip to the regional tournament.

Now they have more. Pollard and Rodriguez were both named to the 2014 Texas Sports Writers Association All-State Volleyball Team earlier this week. The two were among more than 150 high school players honored throughout the state in Class 2A through Class 6A.

Pollard and Rodriguez, who have already signed to play collegiate volleyball at Western Texas College, were among the top players at their positions as seniors.

Pollard led the team in kills and was named the District 2-4A co-Most Valuable Player. She was named to the TSWA third-team all-state roster.

Rodriguez, who was named to the TSWA honorable mention all-state

**Texas Sports Writers Association All-State Volleyball Team**

**Class 4A**

**Coach of the Year:** Claire Gay, Decatur  
**Player of the Year:** Stormi Leonard, Decatur

**First team**  
Outside hitter: Bailey Meggs, Robinson, Makayla Mayfield, Decatur, Caroline Lowery, Decatur  
Middle blocker: Ann Hollas, Spring Hill, Hannah McManus, Caldwell, Katy Keenan, Argyle  
Setter: Stormi Leonard, Decatur  
Libero: Brittnie Dunn, Robinson

**Second team**  
Outside hitter: Eighthmy Dobbins, Argyle, Peyton Redmond, Liberty Hill, Abby Royall, Caldwell  
Middle blocker: Marisah Ingram, Carthage, Ashleigh McFadrigue, North Lamar, Jaycie Pluenneke, Liberty Hill  
Setter: Jade Piper, Little Cypress-Mauriceville  
Libero: Kimi Bailey, Monahans

**Third team**  
Outside hitter: Sarah Woods, Little Cypress-Mauriceville; Hannah McManus, Caldwell, Aubrey Ashby, Pleasant Grove  
Middle blocker: **Erin Pollard, Big Spring**, Anna Graham, Bushland, Hallee Carter, Van  
Setter: Haylie Ewald, Caldwell  
Libero: Hannah Harris, Rains

**Honorable mention**  
Outside hitter: Brooklyn Dauenhauer, Springtown, Bailey Drum, Canyon Lake, Cooper Martin, Decatur, Makai Brown, Spring Hill, Alexa Bass, Argyle, Hali Wisnoskie, Columbus, Jill Green, Liberty Hill, Kendall Freeman, Seminole, Hailey Lawson, Rains, Destiny Brooks, Gilmer, Lauren Thielemann, Sealy  
Middle blocker: Malayzia Winbush, Little Cypress-Mauriceville, Latrice Brown, Yoakum, Bailey Swain, Mabank, Corley Cole, Rains, Megan Hazelwood, Rains, Maci Ritter, Gilmer, Kaelan Sievers, Cuero, Martina Stavinocha, Cuero, Bailey Foy, North Lamar, Codie Whitehead, Henderson, Ashton Weaver, Springtown  
Setter: Amber Klepser, Sealy, Rylie Fuentes, Robinson, Strealy Sizelove, Argyle, Bailey Barron, Bushland, Riley Fisbeck, La Grange, Hannah Gerecke, La Grange, Cheyenne Huskey, Columbus, Hailie Reynolds, Groesbeck  
Libero: Kaitlyn Nutt, Carthage, Matti Dix, Bushland, Payton Walker, Liberty Hill, **Julianna Rodriguez, Big Spring**, Savannah Kaspar, Taylor, Mariah Holub, Sealy

roster, was among the team's top players in assists and serving this past season.  
Decatur's Stormi Leonard was tabbed the Class 4A Player of the Year. She helped Decatur slip past Big Spring in the Region I semifinals and eventually capture the state title.  
Decatur's Claire Gay was the 4A Coach of the Year recipient.

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# Rutgers beats No. Carolina, 40-21, in Quick Lane Bowl

DETROIT (AP) — North Carolina coach Larry Fedora knew that his team was going to have to play a very good game to beat Rutgers in the Quick Lane Bowl.

That didn't happen, and the Tar Heels looked like the team that was blown out 35-7 by North Carolina State in its last game.

"I'm very disappointed with what we did in the last few games of the season, and especially in these last two," Fedora said after the Tar Heels' 40-21 loss Friday night at Ford Field. "We're going to have to take a long look at some things."

The final score was misleading. North Carolina (6-7) trailed 40-7 midway through the fourth quarter before a successful on-side kick helped the Tar Heels add two late touchdowns.

"The game of football is pretty simple," Fedora said. "If you give away the ball on offense, don't force any turnovers on defense and make multiple game-changing mistakes on special teams, you aren't going to win football games."

Tar Heels quarterback Marquise Williams was never able to get going, although he did throw for one score and run for another.

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL  
FBS BOWL GLANCE  
Monday, Dec. 29**  
**Liberty Bowl**  
**At Memphis, Tenn.**  
West Virginia (7-5) vs. Texas A&M (7-5), 2 p.m. (ESPN)

**Russell Athletic Bowl**  
**At Orlando, Fla.**  
Clemson (9-3) vs. Oklahoma (8-4), 5:30 p.m. (ESPN)

**Texas Bowl**  
**At Houston**  
Texas (6-6) vs. Arkansas (6-6), 9 p.m. (ESPN)

"They did exactly what we expected them to do in every phase of the game," Fedora said. "We just didn't stop them."

North Carolina's biggest problem was freshman running back Josh Hicks, who ran for 202 yards and a touchdown.

"This is a childhood dream come true," said Hicks, the MVP trophy sitting just above him in his locker. "It is just now hitting me what happened out there. Our O-line was just so good today — they were opening lanes, and all I had to do was hit them."

Senior Gary Nova threw for 184 yards and two touchdowns, and freshman Robert Martin ran for 100 yards and two scores to help the Scarlet

Knights (8-5) cap their first Big Ten season.

"I saw the predictions before the season, so I knew what the public perception of our team was, especially going into the Big Ten," Rutgers coach Kyle Flood said. "But I have always believed that this was going to be a competitive team that was going to play in the postseason, and we proved that all year."

Owned and operated by the NFL's Detroit Lions, the bowl replaced the Little Caesar's Pizza Bowl, which had been played in Detroit under various names since 1997. The new bowl was hoped to make a bigger impact with a Big Ten vs. ACC matchup, but drew a disappointing crowd. The announced attendance was 23,876 — smaller than all but one Pizza Bowl — and the actual crowd appeared to be less than half of that.

"We knew this was going to be a challenge," said Tom Lewand, president of both the Lions and the bowl. "When you partner with the Big Ten and the ACC, you know you will get some geographic diversity, and we knew there would be travel challenges for supporters around the holidays."

## Scoreboard

National Football League						
American Conference						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	8	7	0	.533	364	336
Denver	12	17	4	.414	10%	
Minnesota	5	22	1	.185	16%	
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	10	5	0	.667	431	359
Houston	8	7	0	.533	349	290
Jacksonville	3	12	0	.200	232	389
Tennessee	2	13	0	.133	244	411
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cincinnati	10	4	1	.700	348	317
Pittsburgh	10	5	0	.667	409	351
Baltimore	9	6	0	.600	389	292
Cleveland	7	8	0	.467	289	317
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	11	4	0	.733	435	340
San Diego	9	6	0	.600	341	329
Kansas City	8	7	0	.533	334	274
Oakland	3	12	0	.200	239	405

National Conference						
East						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	11	4	0	.733	423	335
Philadelphia	9	6	0	.600	440	374
N.Y. Giants	6	9	0	.400	354	366
Washington	4	11	0	.267	284	394
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Carolina	6	8	1	.433	305	371
Atlanta	6	9	0	.400	378	383
New Orleans	6	9	0	.400	378	404
Tampa Bay	2	13	0	.133	257	387
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Detroit	11	4	0	.733	301	252
Green Bay	11	4	0	.733	456	328
Minnesota	6	9	0	.400	312	334
Chicago	5	10	0	.333	310	429

NBA Development League						
East Conference						
Central Division						
	W	L	Pct	GB		
Fort Wayne	8	7	.533	—		
Sioux Falls	7	7	.500	½		
Grand Rapids	6	6	.500	½		
Iowa	5	8	.385	2		
Atlantic Division						
	W	L	Pct	GB		
Maine	12	2	.857	—		
Canton	9	7	.563	4		
Erie	6	8	.429	6		
Westchester	6	9	.400	6½		
Delaware	4	8	.333	7		
Western Conference						
Southwestern Division						
	W	L	Pct	GB		
Austin	10	3	.769	—		
Texas	8	5	.615	2		
Oklahoma City	6	8	.429	4½		
Rio Grande	6	10	.375	5½		
West Division						
	W	L	Pct	GB		
Santa Cruz	9	4	.692	—		
Bakersfield	10	6	.625	½		
Reno	6	6	.500	2½		
Los Angeles	5	11	.313	5½		
Idaho	3	11	.214	6½		

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BASKETBALL						
National Basketball Association						
Eastern Conference						
Atlantic Division						
	W	L	Pct	GB		
Toronto	22	7	.759	—		
Brooklyn	13	15	.464	8½		
Boston	10	17	.370	11		
New York	5	26	.161	18		
Philadelphia	4	23	.148	17		
Southeast Division						
	W	L	Pct	GB		
Atlanta	21	8	.724	—		
Washington	20	8	.714	½		
Miami	14	16	.467	7½		
Orlando	11	21	.344	11½		
Charlotte	10	20	.333	11½		
Central Division						
	W	L	Pct	GB		
Chicago	20	9	.690	—		
Cleveland	18	11	.621	2		
Milwaukee	15	15	.500	5½		
Indiana	10	20	.333	10½		
Detroit	6	23	.207	14		
Western Conference						
Southwest Division						
	W	L	Pct	GB		
Houston	21	7	.750	—		
Memphis	21	8	.724	½		
Dallas	21	10	.677	1½		
San Antonio	18	13	.581	4½		
New Orleans	15	14	.517	6½		
Northwest Division						

	W	L	Pct	GB
Portland	23	7	.767	—
Oklahoma City	15	16	.484	8½
Denver	12	17	.414	10½
Utah	9	20	.310	13½
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Pacific Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	23	5	.821	—
L.A. Clippers	20	10	.667	4
Phoenix	16	14	.533	8
Sacramento	12	16	.429	11
L.A. Lakers	9	21	.300	15

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Milwaukee	107	Atlanta	77			
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# La. Tech beats Illinois in Heart of Dallas Bowl

DALLAS (AP) — Louisiana Tech's Houston Bates had a career day against his former team — his 4 1/2 sacks in the Heart of Dallas Bowl matched the number he had in three seasons at Illinois.

Bates, who graduated and transferred to finish his eligibility closer to home was chosen MVP of the game after the Bulldogs beat the Illini 35-18 on Friday.

"It wasn't Houston Bates vs. Illinois. It was Louisiana Tech vs. Illinois," Bates said.

Kenneth Dixon scored one of his two touchdowns on an 80-yard reception and Xavier Woods scored on a 69-yard interception. The Bulldogs (9-5) also got touchdown runs of 16 yards from Jarred Craft and 28 yards from Blake Martin on a dark, overcast day at the Cotton Bowl stadium.

Illinois (6-7) struggled early with penalties and missed field goals, but got within three points on David Reisner's 43-yard field goal early in the fourth quarters. But Dixon scored his second TD from one yard out with six minutes left to make it 28-18 and the Illini couldn't answer.

Illinois appeared to have gotten a break when LaKeith Walls sacked Cody Sokol, causing him to fumble. Jihad Ward returned it 19 yards before Dixon forced a fumble and Sokol recovered. That drive was capped by Dixon's TD.

"The way the guys played, Kenneth and Cody and throughout the whole season, it's truly outstanding," Bates said. "It's something I'm going to live for the rest of my life. And if I die tomorrow, my life would be complete."

Tech coach Skip Holtz then asked Bates to skip the humble answer and say what it really meant to him to win.

"Unbelievable," Bates added with a huge smile.

"I know it's been an emotional week for him," Holtz said, "and I know it's been an emotional week to see him go out and do the things that he did."

Bates had an additional sack in the closing minutes negated when a teammate couldn't get off the field in time and the Bulldogs were penalized for having 12 players on the field.

Dixon became Louisiana Tech's career leader in yards rushing, finishing with 63 for a total of 3,410 in three seasons.

He is also the only FBS player with both a run and a reception of at least 80 yards this season.



Cindy Smith photos

## Break's almost done ...

The Howard College Lady Hawks will swing back into action on Jan. 8 when they host South Plains in the Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

# WVU player forced to retire

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — West Virginia senior quarterback Clint Trickett is retiring from football because of concussions and won't play in the Liberty Bowl on Monday against Texas A&M.

Trickett said Friday that he had endured five concussions over the last 14 months.

"It would be dangerous for me to be out there," Trickett said.

West Virginia coach Dana Holgorsen indicated that Trickett wasn't cleared to play in the bowl game and that sophomore Skyler Howard would start at quarterback for the Mountaineers (7-5) against Texas A&M (7-5).

Trickett hasn't played since being knocked out of a 26-20 loss to Kansas State on Nov. 20. After disclosing Friday all the concussions he'd sustained over the last 14 months, Trickett suggested he hadn't told the team's medical staff about some of them at the time they happened.

"That was on me," Trickett said. "If they would have known, they probably would have been more cautious about it, but I was trying to push through it."

Trickett said he plans to go into coaching and referred to it as the "family business." Trickett is the son of Florida State offensive line coach Rick Trickett. He began his college career with Florida State before transferring to West Virginia.

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The display has been up for a while to the delight of young and old.

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## Branham-Earls engaged

Linda Branham and Stetson Earls, both of Big Spring, will be united in marriage at 3 p.m. Jan. 1, 2015, at The Courtyard. At reception will follow.

The future bride is the daughter of Ken and Patty Branham of Big Spring and the granddaughter of Lou Branham of Big Spring and Joyce Lancaster of Ballinger.

The groom-elect is the son of Eddie and Tina Earls of Big Spring and the grandson of Anne Nix of Big Spring and Ann Maupin of El Paso.

Serving as maid of honor is Tanya Hargis of Abilene and bridesmaids are Vennessa Benitez of Greenwood, Terri Branham, Tana Skains, Lisa Schafer, and Belinda Crenshaw, all of Big Spring.

The best man is Michael Shockley and groomsmen will be Eddie Earls, Justin Kaczyk, Keagan Earls, Dylan Smith, Jayburd McLeod, all of Big Spring.

Ushers are Ryan Foust and James Branham, both of Big Spring.

## Births



Kyrh Mae Lang

Born Dec. 19, 2014

Nathaniel and Brooke Lang announce the arrival of their daughter, Kyrh Mae Lang, born Dec. 19, 2014, at 12:08 p.m., weighing 9 pounds, 6 ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long.

Her maternal grandparents are Jacob and Stephene Rios and Nancy Arenivaz, all of Big Spring. Her paternal grandparents are Elvis Lang Sr. of Joplin, Mo., and Rebecca Rivas of Big Spring.

Kyrh was welcomed home by big brother, Kady Jay and big sister, Kiyah Bre'Ann.

## After 6 years, Obama personal chef hangs up apron



AP photo

BY DARLENE SUPERVILLE

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — Political advisers, chiefs of staff, press secretaries and national security advisers have come and gone in the nearly six years Barack Obama has been president. Now, Obama's personal chef is waving goodbye.

Sam Kass has been a fixture at the executive mansion, serving up nutrition policy alongside meals for Obama,

his wife, Michelle, and daughters Malia and Sasha. He was not only their personal chef but senior adviser for nutrition policy, giving him a seat at the table where administration officials hashed out everything from updated food labels to new requirements for healthier school lunches.

Kass, a newlywed, is leaving the White House at the end of the month, but don't ask him what the Obamas like or don't like to eat. "Top secret,"

he said.

"I love this family and believe in everything the president and first lady are doing and this has been the greatest job of my life and I will be the greatest job of my life,"

the 34-year-old Chicago native said in an interview. "But I'm going to be with my wife. Once you're married you kind of need to be together."

Kass' wife, MSNBC host Alex Wagner, is based in New York City.

Kass' relationship with the Obamas started when they hired him to cook healthier meals for the family in Chicago before the 2008 elections. Michelle Obama was a vice president at the University of Chicago Medical Center and caring for young daughters, while Obama was a U.S. senator spending most of his time in Washington.

But the relationship sprouted well beyond the professional. Besides Kass' tireless work for

Mrs. Obama, for whom he wore a third hat as executive director of her anti-childhood obesity campaign, Kass sometimes traveled with Obama and joined his weekend or vacation golf outings. Obama, in turn, blocked out several hours on his busy schedule to attend Kass' late-August wedding.

Obama said Kass "has grown from a close friend to a critical member of my team" and has left "an indelible mark on the White House." Mrs. Obama praised Kass' "extraordinary legacy of progress," which she said includes healthier food options in groceries, more nutritious school lunches and initiatives to improve how food is marketed to kids.

Unlike any White House chef before him, Kass helped make decisions with far greater potential consequences than whether the president's veggies, which Kass often plucked from the first lady's garden on the South Lawn, should be steamed or sauteed.

The school lunch changes have led Mrs. Obama into a public spat with the School Nutrition Association, an industry-backed group that represents school cafeteria work-

ers and food companies that sell to schools. The group has lobbied Congress to weaken the standards, arguing they are a burden on financially pinched districts and a big reason why kids are throwing their lunches into the garbage.

A House Republican-led effort to allow some districts to ignore the new lunch standards altogether failed to advance in Congress, but requirements for more whole grains in school foods will be eased instead. The fight over the broader standards is expected to heat up again next year when Republicans, who are sympathetic to the association's arguments, will control both houses of Congress.

Nutrition advocates say anyone who hopes these issues will disappear with Kass will be disappointed.

"This administration is very committed to nutrition and obesity prevention. That commitment runs very deep," said Margo Wootan, a nutrition lobbyist for the Center for Science in the Public Interest, who has pushed for healthier school meals.

Despite her group's issues with the lunch

standards, Patricia Montague, the School Nutrition Association's chief executive, said Kass and "Let's Move," the first lady's anti-childhood obesity initiative, played "an important role in promoting healthier lifestyles for children both at school and at home."

Kass will stay involved with "Let's Move," along with broader efforts to improve childhood nutrition, the White House said.

Testifying to Kass' commitment, former colleague Kristina Schake said Kass spent weekends living the work he did at the White House, including visiting farms, farmers markets and food purveyors. "He can talk about different types of lettuce the way other men talk about sports teams," she said.

Kass said his plan after leaving the White House is to get some sleep, and "I guess I'll also be the chef for my wife."

As for who will prepare Obama's dinners going forward, Kass said the White House kitchen staff has it covered.

Associated Press writer Mary Clare Jalonick contributed to this report.

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(Family Features) — Winter is a great time to experiment with new culinary creations that incorporate the bold flavors of wine for delicious results. Nothing pleases the senses quite like a comfort food dish on a chilly evening. If you're planning a menu for just you and your mate, a small group of close friends or a full-blown dinner party, stock up on great wine selections to complete the menu.

## Smoky Chili and Murphy-Goode Homefront Red

Just as a robust chili calls for a blend of signature ingredients, so does the perfect wine to complement it. The smoky flavors of seasoned steak cubes and dried chili pods will please the palate when united with Murphy-Goode Homefront Red — a blend of syrah, merlot, petite sirah and zinfandel. This wine is comfort food friendly and fruit forward, chock full of flavors of black cherry and raspberry, vanilla and toast. Plus, for every bottle sold, the winery donates fifty cents to Operation Homefront, a national non-profit that provides assistance to service members and their families.



## Classic Roast Chicken and

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## Perfect Winter Pairings

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Serve up this braised beef favorite alongside Freemark Abbey Napa Valley Cabernet, with its aromas of dark cherry, ripe plum and black cur-

rant.

## Edmeades Zinfandel and Meatloaf

Each meaty bite tastes even more comforting than the last when paired with the lush texture and notes of toasted oak, vanilla and cherry cola in Edmeades Zinfandel.

## Chili with Pepato Cheese

Recipe created by Dirk Yeaton on [murphy-goodewinery.com](http://murphy-goodewinery.com)

Servings: 10-12  
6 dried chili pods, seeds and stems removed

- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1 1/2 pounds top round cut into cubes
  - 1 1/2 pounds chuck steak cut into cubes
  - 1 cup vegetable oil
  - 1 medium onion, chopped
  - 3 small cloves garlic, minced
  - 1 1/2 ounces chili powder
  - 1 tablespoon paprika
  - 3 tablespoons cumin
  - 2 tablespoons oregano steeped in 1 cup of red wine
  - 1 tablespoon cider vinegar
  - 1/2 teaspoon cocoa powder
  - 2 cups beef broth
  - 10 ounces stewed tomatoes
  - 1/2 cup grated Pepato cheese

Toast dried chilies over medium heat for about 2 minutes. Add 2 cups of water and simmer for 10 minutes. Strain out chilies to cool, then chop and reserve.

Season meat liberally with salt. Heat oil over high heat in large, heavy bottom pot until it begins to smoke. Carefully place beef into pan and brown on all sides until moisture cooks out and light brown film forms on bottom of pan. Reduce heat to medium. Drain meat of oil and fat.

Add onions and garlic, cooking until soft. Add chili powder, paprika and cumin. Cook until fragrant. Add reserved chopped chilies and rest of ingredients (except for cheese) and stir well with wooden spoon, scraping browned bits off bottom of pot.

Reduce heat to low and simmer for 1 hour, occasionally stirring. To serve, place in bowl and sprinkle with grated cheese.

## Chicken Thighs with Potato, Lemon & Castelvetro Olives

Recipe created by Tracey Shepos on [lacrema.com](http://lacrema.com)

- Servings: 4
- 8 sprigs oregano, leaves picked (1/2 cup packed)
  - 5 cloves garlic
  - 2 lemons, one zested and one cut into eight wedges
  - 2 teaspoons cumin
  - 3 tablespoons olive oil
  - 8 chicken thighs (1 1/2 pounds), bone in, skin on
  - 2 large Russet potatoes, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch circles
  - 4 teaspoons kosher salt
  - 1 cup Castelvetro olives, pitted and drained
- Preheat oven to 350°F.

In food processor, combine oregano, garlic, lemon zest, cumin and 2 tablespoons oil. Process until chopped. Place mixture in large bowl and toss with chicken thighs.

In 10-inch cast iron pan, layer 1 tablespoon oil and top with potatoes and sprinkle with 2 teaspoons salt. Place chicken thighs on top and sprinkle again with 2 teaspoons salt. Scatter lemon wedges in between chicken thighs.



Place pan over medium heat, cook for 5 minutes or until edges start to brown. Immediately place pan on top rack in oven and bake for 10 minutes. Adjust oven temperature to 400°F and cook for another 25 minutes or until chicken is browned and internal temperature reaches 160°F. Scatter olives on top and serve.

## Pinot Noir Marshmallows

Recipe created by Molly Yeh on [mynameisyehe.com](http://mynameisyehe.com)

- Servings: 16
- 1/4 cup powdered sugar
  - 1/4 cup cornstarch
  - 1/4 cup Kendall Jackson Grand Reserve Pinot Noir
  - 1/2 cup water
  - 2 packets unflavored gelatin powder
  - 3/4 cup sugar
  - 1/2 cup light corn syrup
  - 1 pinch salt

In small bowl, combine powdered sugar and cornstarch. Grease two loaf pans or one 8- or 9-inch square pan and dust bottom and sides with half of powdered sugar mixture. Pour out any excess mixture back into bowl.

In bowl of stand mixer fitted with whisk attachment, combine pinot noir and 1/4 cup water. Sprinkle gelatin over liquid. Grease rubber spatula and have standing by mixer, as well as prepared pan(s).

In small saucepan, combine remaining 1/4 cup of water, sugar, corn syrup and salt. Clip on candy thermometer. Heat mixture over medium heat until it reaches 240°F.

Resist urge to crank heat level higher, otherwise it could heat up too fast. (If takes a while to heat up to those last few degrees, you can inch heat level up to medium high, keeping a close eye on thermometer.)

Turn mixer on low and drizzle sugar mixture in slow and steady stream down side of bowl. Once entire mixture is in, increase speed to high and let it mix for 10-12 minutes, until lukewarm and fluffy.

Using greased spatula, immediately scrape mixture into pans and spread out evenly as possible. Dust tops with remaining powdered sugar mixture and (if needed) use hands to flatten mixture out completely. Let set for hour, cut into squares and dust edges of squares with remaining powdered sugar mixture.

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In most states, stores are not legally required to accept items for refunds, credits, or exchanges unless the merchandise is defective or was misrepresented. However, stores must comply with

their own stated return policy, which should be sufficiently conveyed to the customer before purchase.

Before you stand in a long line to return holiday gifts, we encourage you to go online and read the retailer's return policy on their website. BBB offers this additional advice for returns and exchanges:

- Read and understand return/exchange policies. Return policies for clearance or holiday merchandise may be different than merchandise sold at full price. Every store has its own return and exchange policy and consumers should understand the policy before expecting a full refund.
- Keep all receipts. Without the original receipt or a gift receipt, you will not be able



to get cash when you return unwanted gifts. You may be able to get a store credit or be able to exchange the item for other merchandise.

• Mind the time. Many retailers may only allow returns within a certain time frame and that time frame usually begins when the item is purchased, not when you receive it. If you have gifts to return, do it as soon as possible.

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Tyler Patton is director of the Permian Basin Better Business Bureau.



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# Investors expect higher stocks in 2015, as well as turbulence

By KEN SWEET

AP Business Writer

NEW YORK — Can the U.S. hold everyone else above water? That is the question investors are asking as Wall Street heads into 2015.

A strong U.S. economy helped propel the stock market higher in 2014, continuing a bull market that is on pace to celebrate its sixth birthday in March. On more than one occasion, investors dumped stocks following geopolitical flare-ups and concerns about the global economy, only to jump back in when an economic report or results from a big company suggested the U.S. economy was still resilient.

This bull market may be slowing down, but it still has had a remarkable run. The Standard & Poor's 500 index has more than tripled from its March 2009 low.

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Here are the major themes investors will need to watch:

#### SOLID, NOT SPECTACULAR, AGAIN:

2014 has been an above average year for stocks, but Wall Street forecasters expect more a more modest year for the market next year. The S&P 500 index is on

track to return 14 percent in 2014 including dividends, a healthy gain but well below the 2013 return of 32 percent. Because the U.S. economy should continue to improve, stocks are likely to march higher in 2015, strategists say. On average, strategists forecast the S&P 500 will be up roughly 6 to 8 percent, with most of the gains coming from large multinational companies that would benefit greatly from an improving U.S. economy. Although there are risks that U.S.-based companies international sales could slow because of weakness in Europe and Asia, strategists believe U.S. growth will make up for that drag.

While U.S.-based companies do roughly half their sales outside the country, profits are still largely driven by the American economy.

The U.S. economy is expected to grow 3.1 percent in 2015, accelerating from the 2.2 percent growth it is expected to have this year.

This is a mature bull market, strategists say, so stock prices are relatively high and the possibility for volatility even higher. Investors are paying roughly \$17.50 for every dollar of earnings companies in the S&P 500 generate, the most they've paid for stocks since 2010. On average, investors pay something around \$15 dollars for every \$1 of earnings

These high valuations could make investors more nervous about holding stocks if prices continue to climb. The stock market fell nearly 10 percent in October, its first major sell-off since 2011.

"Expect more pullbacks or corrections," says Liz Ann Sonders, chief market strategist for Charles Schwab.

#### 7/8 — SLOW RATE HIKES

For several years, the Federal Reserve had been buying bonds to both keep interest rates low and boost stock prices. The program, known as quantitative easing, was designed to make bonds seem more expensive than stocks by suppressing the yield on bonds. It was also designed to make it less expensive for consumers and businesses to borrow.

That program ended in October, but it doesn't mean the nation's central bank hasn't stopped helping out investors. The Fed has kept its key interest rate near zero since December 2008. Strategists believe the time has come for the Fed to start raising interest rates because the U.S. economy has improved enough to withstand higher borrowing costs. This phenomenon is going to have a huge impact on where the stock market goes in 2015.

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**STOCKS**

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Generally, strategists see the Federal Reserve raising its key interest, officially known as the Fed funds rate, from zero to 1 percent next year, in gradual increments of 0.25 percentage point each.

As interest rates rise, investments such as bonds will pay higher yields. If bonds are earning more, stocks will have more difficulty looking as attractive as they once did. That could make it more difficult for the market to go higher.

**MUCH ADO ABOUT OIL:**

The collapse of oil prices this year has become a huge topic of worry as well as a comfort for investors.

American consumers love that falling oil prices have driven the price of gasoline below \$2.50 a gallon. Wall Street's relationship with oil is far more complex, however. Oil revenues are critical for several large economies, including Russia.

Banks loaned money and energy companies issued high-yield bonds to investors based on projected oil revenues. Energy companies are reliant on high crude prices to make money and to keep their stock prices high. Shares of energy companies in the S&P 500 are down 10 percent this year. Many junk bonds are trading at distressed levels.

There's worry that oil's drop could shake up the global financial system. Russia's currency, the ruble, has slumped in recent months because investors are concerned that the government could default or that the country could slip into a recession. In 1998, Russia defaulted on its debt, in part because of plunging oil prices.

The big question for next year is whether the world is simply producing too much oil, or whether the global economy is not strong enough to consume it fast enough. Also, if prices keep falling, will oil producers start cutting back production, which in turn could provide some support for oil prices.

"I still believe what's

happening to oil is related to there being too much supply, but the sell-off is sending ripples through the market about global economic growth," said Sonders of Charles Schwab.

**OPPORTUNITY OVERSEAS?**

Europe's economy was in recovery mode the first half of 2014 before being derailed by the Russia-Ukraine crisis. The economic sanctions the European Union put on Russia for its invasion of Crimea impacted Germany's economy, Europe's largest, far more than originally anticipated. Since then, Europe has teetered on the brink of recession.

The Euro Stoxx 50 index, the European equivalent of the Dow

Jones industrial average, is up only 1 percent in 2014 versus the 12 percent increase in the S&P 500.

The European Central Bank has stepped in to help stimulate the region's economy and is expected to ramp up its efforts early next year. If the moves work, Europe will come off investors' worry lists. Until then, watch out.

If you're willing to take a more risky view, some strategists say buying into Europe before it recovers could provide an excellent return.

"There are low expectations for Europe's recovery, which means prices are low," Koesterich said. In Europe, investors are paying roughly \$14 for every dollar of European com-

pany earnings compared with the \$17.50 investors are paying for every dollar of U.S. earnings.

China and Japan are also concerns. The Chinese government is still in a multi-year effort to slow down the country's rapidly growing economy, which has had mixed results. If the Chinese economy slows down too much, it could hurt markets everywhere.

Japan, meanwhile, is trying to stimulate its stagnant economy through massive amounts of economic stimulus. While the stimulus helped briefly, the Japanese government had to raise taxes to cover the cost of the program, effectively negating what the officials were trying to do.

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Legals

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hazardous waste management  
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training projects and other solid  
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These projects must be consistent  
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funds for Grants will be available to  
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Applicants can be picked up at the  
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through February 6, 2015.  
Applications must be completed  
and submitted to the PBRPC -  
Solid Waste Coordinator by 5:00  
P.M., February 6, 2015. The  
PBRPC Solid Waste Advisory  
committee will evaluate proposed  
grant projects for their impact on  
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tation the same being Monday Feb-  
ruary 2, 2014, before the Honor-  
able 118th District Court of Howard  
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said court on the 06/26/2013,  
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LOR  
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day of December, 2014.  
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#8565 December 21, 28, 2014 and  
January 4, 12, 2015

Newsday Crossword SATURDAY STUMPER by Doug Peterson  
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Automotive introduction of 1968
- 10 Cocoa \_\_\_
- 15 Get together with
- 16 First tropical storm after the name list is used up
- 17 Evasive maneuver of a sort
- 18 Say "Hah!," say
- 19 Didn't give up
- 20 A ton
- 22 Excuse, at times
- 23 *Verbe irrégulier de base*
- 25 Sherwin-Williams green paint color
- 27 The sun, eventually
- 31 Game with racks
- 32 Double-digit display
- 33 Pulled (down)
- 35 Kevlar kitchen product
- 37 Pair from *Glee* that hit #1
- 38 Hillary campaign focus
- 41 Stroller-rental site
- 42 Habitué's, so to speak
- 44 Like some accounts
- 45 Buffer material
- 47 Private practice
- 49 Skye Terrier's origin
- 51 Word from the Latin for "dignitary"
- 53 Style
- 54 Movement shorthand
- 55 Gogol title diarist

- 57 Word seen twice on the UN roster
- 61 Lose, as a shadow
- 63 Seagram's product
- 65 Choirboys, frequently
- 66 Downloadable sci-fi audio mag
- 67 Verb of the Bard
- 68 Vegan pick-me-ups
- DOWN**
- 1 Patchwork software
- 2 One to avoid
- 3 Dungeons & Dragons danger
- 4 Locale of a perennial best-seller set in 1922
- 5 Expression of scorn

- 6 Email program named for a Pulitzer author
- 7 Hub
- 8 More than fancy
- 9 Prowler
- 10 Gives up
- 11 Labor leader
- 12 Began damage control, perhaps
- 13 Target, e.g.
- 14 Had trouble standing
- 21 Thin margins
- 24 Hay catcher, often
- 26 Brand that promotes its RESIDON'T
- 27 Nicholson, in *About Schmidt*
- 28 Flip-flop alternative
- 29 Pass out
- 30 Numbers can be read in it

- 34 Bearing
- 36 Blocks or tops
- 39 Physicist made a count by Napoleon
- 40 Jack Bauer's wife on 24
- 43 \_\_\_ card
- 46 The world's tallest one is in Casablanca
- 48 Tops in tallness?
- 50 Dhaka's region
- 51 Bargaining topics
- 52 Far reaches
- 56 Opposite of philo-
- 58 Intent
- 59 Rock garden grower
- 60 Mason's mortar layers
- 62 Weaves and waves
- 64 Org. behind the AirNOW app

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Answer to previous puzzle

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**sudoku**

ANSWERS

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

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**Contract Bridge**

By Steve Becker

**The Right Play at the Right Time**

South dealer.  
Both sides vulnerable.

**NORTH**  
♠ 6 4 2  
♥ Q 10 4  
♦ 9 7 4 3  
♣ A 7 3

**WEST**  
♠ Q J 10 8  
♥ 6 2  
♦ K 10 5  
♣ J 10 6 2

**EAST**  
♠ 9 7 3  
♥ A 5  
♦ Q 8 6 2  
♣ K 9 5 4

**SOUTH**  
♠ A K 5  
♥ K J 9 8 7 3  
♦ A J  
♣ Q 8

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

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West led a spade against four hearts, and South, seeing four probable losers — one of which had to be averted for the contract to be made — decided that his only real chance was to find East with the king of clubs. Declarer hoped to establish a 10th trick by leading a low club from

dummy toward his queen, planning later to discard one of his losers on dummy's ace of clubs.

Accordingly, South took the spade lead with the ace and played the king of hearts to dislodge the ace. He expected that dummy's Q-10 of trumps would then provide him with the two entries he needed to accomplish his purpose. But East ducked the king of hearts and thereby foiled South's plan. Declarer could not recover from this setback and eventually finished down one.

South could and should have made the contract by leading the seven of trumps to dummy's ten at trick two! East can do no better than win with the ace and return a spade.

Declarer wins, leads the eight of trumps to dummy's queen and returns a low club, taken by East's king. The defenders cash their spade trick, but South is home free. Whatever is returned, he wins, cashes the queen of clubs, leads the three of trumps to dummy's four and discards the jack of diamonds on the ace of clubs.

Observe that East cannot stop the contract by refusing to take dummy's ten of trumps at trick two. South counters by leading a low club from dummy at trick three and later leads the heart eight to dummy's queen to produce the same outcome.

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Sudoku Answer On Page 9B

# sudoku

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9 with no repeats. That means no number is repeated in any row, column or box.

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## Annie's Mailbox

**Dear Annie:** My son and his wife have an elderly cat who scratches herself raw. One night, I noticed that the poor thing had bleeding scabs. I asked how long it had been going on, and they said, "Years." I had no idea this cat was suffering.

My son said they weren't taking the cat to a vet, so I offered to do so and pay for the visit. The vet said it was the worst case of neglect she had seen. The cat has an abscessed tooth that needs to come out as soon as possible, and she also needs a major tooth cleaning.

I took the cat back home and said I would pay the \$900 if they would schedule a vet visit. It has been three weeks, and now my son and his wife will not respond to our emails or texts asking when we can have the cat's teeth taken care of. Can you imagine the pain this poor cat is in?

I also happen to be an animal cruelty

investigator for a well-known rescue group. I don't want this to come between us, but I refuse to go to their home and

face that cat. It just breaks my heart. What should I do? -- Animal Lover

**Dear Animal Lover:** It's possible your son and his wife are simply waiting for the cat to die, but they are not being compassionate about it. Phone them and insist on taking the cat to the vet and ask what time you can pick her up. Then do it. If they refuse your help, please report this to the authorities so the cat can be cared for properly. This is your job. They may not appreciate your interference, but you already are avoiding them, so you may as well do the humane thing.

**Dear Annie:** Whenever I look in the newborn section of my local newspaper, I am bewildered by some of the names given to these little ones -- names that are hard to pronounce and complicated to spell. Some I've never heard of before.

I wish parents would think long and hard about the name they are burdening this infant with. That child has to

live their entire life repeating, spelling and pronouncing their name so others won't get it wrong. It's not fair to the child.

When I married, I acquired a difficult surname that no one could spell or pronounce properly. It was enough to tear one's hair out. Upon divorce, I gladly took back my maiden name. -- Been There, Done That

**Dear Been There:** We agree that some names are difficult to pronounce and harder to spell. While there are parents who saddle children with unconventional names as a form of self-indulgence, we believe most parents are simply trying to make their children special and unique. Children who hate their names often find ways to be called by nicknames or middle names.

**Dear Annie:** "Loser Friends" said her husband loaned \$25,000 to "Cary," a friend on the brink of bankruptcy. Although the husband had good intentions, I am compelled to add some

practical financial advice.

Bankruptcy is a financial tool to give a fresh start to someone who is over his head in debt. Had Cary simply found a good bankruptcy lawyer, gone through the proper steps and taken the required money management classes, his excessive debt would have been forgiven, and today he would be rebuilding his credit and his wealth.

The husband not only prevented Cary from getting the help he needed, but he also jeopardized his own future. He will never get that \$25,000 back. A better friend would have helped Cary pay for a lawyer and perhaps buy his family groceries from time to time. -- Understanding Is Better than Money

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## Tomorrow's Horoscope

### Aries Moon Wrap-Up

The energetic Aries moon insists that we spend the last few days of the year in high-productivity mode. Also, this is the warrior moon, so if there's anyone or anything you'd like to confront before the end of the year, you'll have the courage of your convictions. The sun, Mercury, Venus and Pluto in Capricorn are with your most ambitious aims.



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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Humor alters the mind. Funny people will make you laugh while bringing up interesting points, the likes of which will make you want to reexamine your habits and values.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You'll see the holes and inconsistencies in what others are talking about, but be judicious

about voicing your observations. Skepticism is like pepper: Too much ruins the dish. Use it in moderation.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). Your creativity needed a period of sleeping, idling and puttering around before it was ready to kick into high gear. Now it's ready, and all you need are the tools to do your thing.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). The problem may affect the whole group, but for some reason, you'll be happily left to your own devices. You'll come up with a solution that no one else would have thought of.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). You're receptive, flexible and ready to do what it takes to move to the future. As Bruce Fairchild Barton -- author, ad man, politician and Leo said, "When you're through changing, you're through."

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You may not be feeling terribly energetic, but you make up for this with your ability to focus yourself. Ninja-style, you

will consciously take hold of your energy and apply it in one direction to powerful effect.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There are many things more important than fear, and that is why you're willing to push through it today as you move forward to accomplish what needs doing.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You are buzzing with creative energy. Your desire to express yourself will come out in interesting ways, the best of which will be an artistic approach to a perfectly mundane task.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Take a lesson from marketers and advertisement experts: In order to draw attention to the important things, you may have to spend time with the silly, superfluous and just plain strange things.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If the people you are trying to impress are also trying to impress you, this could lead to a long and exhausting process of one-

upmanship. Give up the need to impress, and suddenly you're more impressive.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Those who try to support you with sympathy are really not supporting you at all. True support comes from those who believe in your strength and tell you that you can do it.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Timing is everything in conversation and in love. When you feel the impulse, trust it and unload your feelings. It could mean everything in the moment, and 10 minutes later the point could be moot.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY** (Dec. 28). You already know what it's like to be dearly loved one-on-one, and now you'll find out what it's like to be loved by a whole crowd. The celebration of you will stretch into the new year. By March, you'll long for a quieter, more introspective experience. You'll hit pay dirt in July. Connect with distant friends in August. Aries and Leo people adore you. Your lucky

numbers are: 4, 8, 42, 38 and 5.

### FORECAST FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

Currently the sun, Mercury, Venus and Pluto are all in the traditional sign of Capricorn. This energy is ambitious and aims to please in the way that a grown child aims to please the parents. "Look at me, Dad! I've made something of myself!" "I can do it, Mom! I've grown to be the person you always wanted me to be..." These are the subconscious cries of Capricorn energy. Unfortunately, Saturn, the ruler of Capricorn and the great, stern father of time, is almost as impossible to impress as time itself. Sooner or later every child must learn that parents are not gods, only people with their own baggage and expectations. Trying to please them is as useless as trying to please any other mortal who doesn't live inside one's own body and mind.

The year turns over under the appetite-driven Taurus moon, highlighting the expensive and indulgent

aspects of New Year's Eve. On New Year's Day, Mars opposes Jupiter, highlighting issues of control and power right from the get-go. It's a chance to establish a new set of rules and/or to set a precedent for the new year's interactions.

### CELEBRITY

**PROFILES:** Capricorn R and B superstar John Legend started his career collaborating with chart-topping artists and soon went straight to the top himself with the No. 1 single "All of Me." His moon and Mercury in Sagittarius shows a worldly point of view and a love of travel, culture and all kinds of exploration. Lucky planet Jupiter in Leo says that performing gives him energy and good fortune.

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## Bring on the heat for the Big Game

(Family Features) — When your friends and family gather around the screen for game day, you can give your favorite fans an extra reason to get rowdy and cheer. Take your game day menu to the next level with crowd-pleasing buffalo flavor-inspired appetizers.

The buffalo flavor has been a game day staple since 1964 when the first-ever buffalo wings were developed by Teresa Bellissimo at her Buffalo, N.Y., establishment, Anchor Bar. The wings featured one key ingredient - Frank's RedHot Cayenne Pepper Sauce.

Now you can "level up" your own game day party by bringing the same perfect blend of flavor and heat to this

year's football celebrations with two recipes — Buffalo Chicken Dip and Buffalo Chicken Wings.

• Buffalo Chicken Dip is a robust, creamy dip featuring the unforgettable buffalo flavor and chicken, but without the mess. It's everything you love about wings, but in a bowl! Serve it up with fresh-cut celery or bell peppers, baby carrots, crackers and pita bread - and you'll add some kick to your sporty celebration.

• Buffalo Chicken Wings are a fool-proof classic with the original Cayenne Pepper Sauce. With just a few ingredients, the wings are equally easy and delicious. Present your buffalo wing platter with an assortment of

crunchy vegetables and creamy dressings.

Spice up your game day spread with these crowd-pleasing dips and bites. For more game day and tailgate recipes, visit [www.FranksRedHot.com](http://www.FranksRedHot.com).

### Buffalo Chicken Dip

1/2 cup Frank's RedHot Original Cayenne Pepper Sauce or Frank's RedHot Buffalo Wings Sauce

1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened

1/2 cup blue cheese or ranch dressing

2 cups shredded cooked chicken

1/2 cup crumbled blue cheese or your favorite shredded cheese

Preheat oven to 350°F.

Combine all ingredients in a 1-quart baking dish.

Bake 20 minutes or until mixture is heated through; stir.

Garnish as desired. Serve with crackers and vegetables.

### Buffalo Chicken Wings

2 1/2 pounds chicken wing pieces

3/4 cup any flavor Frank's RedHot Buffalo Wings Sauce

Preheat oven to 500°F.

Bake wings in foil-lined pan on lowest rack for 20-25 minutes, until crispy, turning once.

Toss wings in sauce to coat.

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## Holding on to your car: Tips for a safe, long-lasting vehicle

(Family Features) — While driving a new vehicle off the lot may sound tempting, the financial commitment it brings is not an option for most families.

Instead, hanging on to your old set of wheels is the smarter choice for a number of reasons. Taking good care of your car not only improves safety and dependability, it can have a positive impact on your wallet.

“Hanging on to your current vehicle allows you to redirect money you would spend on a new car to pay off credit card debt, college loans and other bills, beef up savings or even take a road trip vacation,” said Rich White, executive director with the Car Care Council. “By simply budgeting the equivalent of just one new car payment, consumers could cover an entire year’s worth of basic maintenance.”

Even the cost of fixing a serious engine issue is a more sensible economic decision, added White. For the cost of an average down payment on a new car or truck, a vehicle can be repowered with a remanufactured or

rebuilt engine and gain years of reliable service.

“The bottom line is that a properly maintained vehicle is safer, more dependable, more fuel efficient, less polluting and more valuable,” White added.

The experts at the Car Care Council offer these 10 general tips for those looking to maintain the life of their vehicle:

1. Check all fluids, including engine oil, power steering, brake and transmission as well as windshield washer solvent and antifreeze or coolant.
2. Check hoses and belts to make sure they are not cracked, brittle, frayed, loose or showing signs of wear.
3. Check the battery and replace if necessary.
4. Check the brake system annually and have the brake linings, rotors and drums inspected at each oil change.



5. Inspect the exhaust system for leaks, damage and broken supports or hangers if there is an unusual noise.

6. Check engine performance to make sure it is delivering the best balance of power and fuel economy and producing the lowest level of emissions.

7. Check the heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) system as proper heating and cooling performance is critical for interior comfort and safety.

8. Inspect the steering and suspension system annually, including shock absorbers, struts and chassis parts, such as ball joints, tie rod ends and other related components.

9. Check the tires, including tire pressure and tread. Uneven wear indicates a need for wheel alignment. Tires should also be checked for bulges and bald spots.

10. Check the wipers and lighting so that you can see and be seen. Check that all interior and exterior lighting is working properly and replace worn wiper blades so you can see clearly when driving during precipitation.

The next time you consider purchasing a new car, think about investing in the vehicle you already own for significant savings, as well as enhanced reliability and safety. For more tips to extend the life of your car, visit [www.carcare.org](http://www.carcare.org).

### California officials issue caramel apple warning

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — California health officials are warning people not to eat Happy Apple brand caramel apples after they were recalled over concerns they could be contaminated with listeria.

The State Department of Public Health issued the warning on Thursday. Missouri-based Happy Apple Co. announced a day earlier that one of its suppliers reported that

there may be a connection between the recent listeria outbreak and the apples it had supplied.

The recall comes after at least three deaths and at least 29 illnesses in 10 states have been linked to an outbreak of the deadly bacteria.

The Food and Drug Administration is continuing to advise consumers not to eat any pre-packed, commercially produced whole caramel apples.

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