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NFL rushing leader Ezekiel Elliott is banking on playing at the Giants even though the Cowboys are locked into the fourth seed as NFC East champs.

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US, Mideast compete over light crude

By Serene Cheong
Bloomberg

The U.S. oil industry is delivering a one-two punch to Middle East producers already reeling from a collapse in prices.

A tussle is playing out in the market for so-called light oils, which have a lower sulfur content and are less dense than heavier varieties. When processed, these grades typically yield a higher amount of fuels like gasoline and naphtha. And now, American supplies are weighing on prices for such crudes as well as fuels made from them.

Light oil pumped in U.S. shale fields is increasingly making its way to Asia, undercutting sales by the likes of Saudi Arabia.

Additionally, America is exporting a record amount of refined fuel, contributing to a global glut in gasoline and naphtha. That's hurting some of the biggest members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries as they prepare to curb crude output in a bid to stabilize the market.

Middle East producers — still the dominant suppliers to Asia — are being forced to tackle American crude competition by lowering their oil pricing to defend their market share. The refiners, meanwhile, are contending with booming U.S. fuel shipments dragging down their returns from making processed products.

"It is no surprise that Middle Eastern producers are having to cut light crude

prices," said Virendra Chauhan, an analyst at industry consultant Energy Aspects Ltd. Over the course of 2018, the key sources of global oil-output growth have included light crude from U.S. shale fields and Saudi Arabia, he said.

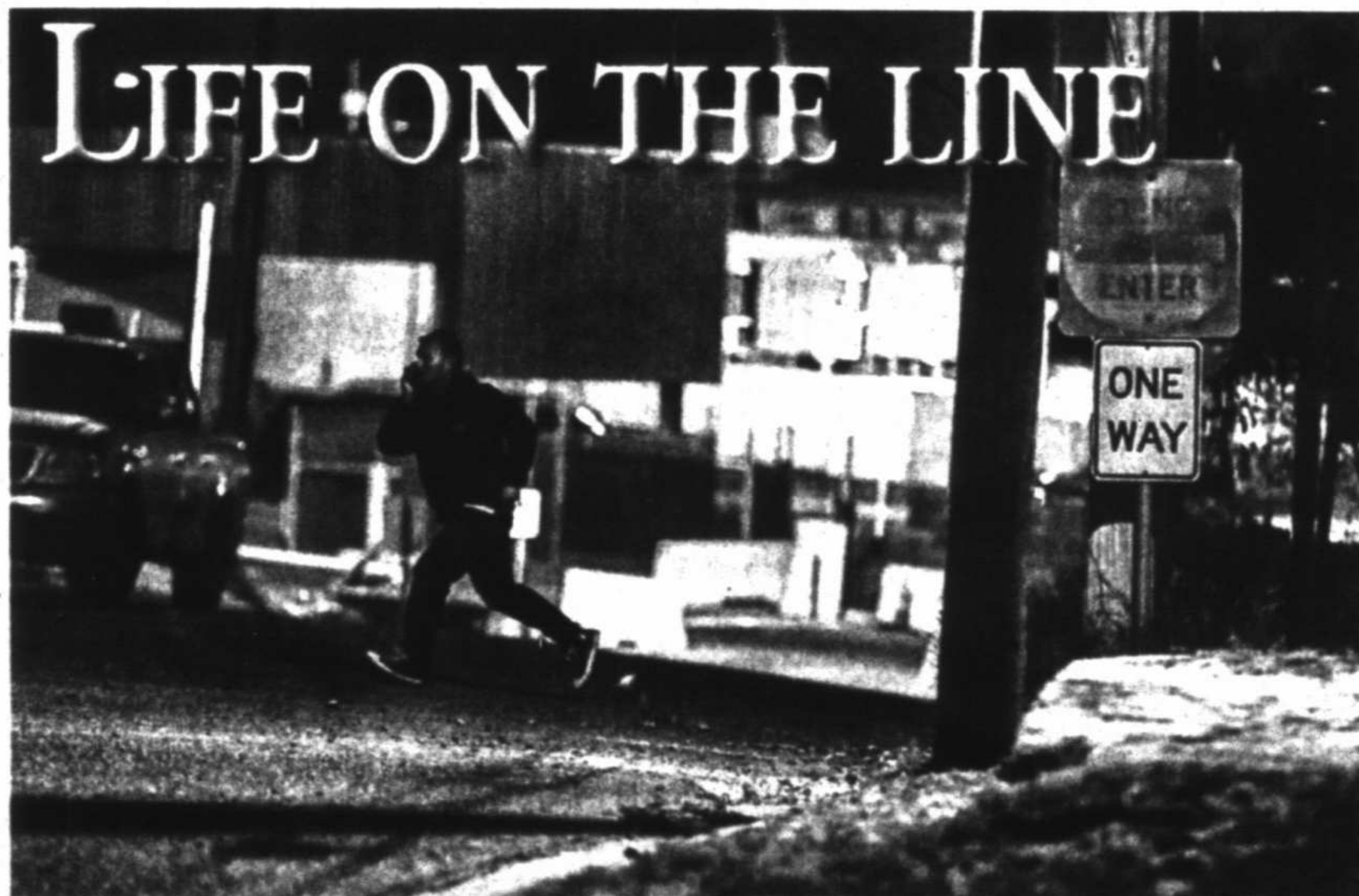
While Middle East producers such as Saudi Arabia and Abu Dhabi are reducing the pricing for their lighter crudes, American exports to Asian nations such as India and South Korea are surging. Even a temporary halt by China due to its trade war with the U.S. hasn't significantly dented overall flows this year.

While the rivalry between Middle Eastern producers and sellers of U.S. oil has intensified since 2016, with even relatively

heavier American crudes such as Mars and Poseidon coming to Asia, the competition is particularly stiff for lighter grades. Abu Dhabi's Murban and Saudi Arabia's Extra Light have similar fuel yields and chemical characteristics as shale crude.

State-owned Abu Dhabi National Oil Co. cut the premium for 2019 term supplies of Murban crude to 16-18 cents a barrel over its monthly official selling prices, down from about 25 cents in 2018. Government-run Saudi Aramco slashed the premium of its Arab Extra Light grade over Middle Eastern benchmarks to the lowest level in 16 months. They are not only competing with

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A border crosser hustles across Portscheller Street along Juarez Avenue in the shadow of the U.S. Customs border office on July 26 in Roma. Highway 83 is two blocks north, where immigrants are known to jump into waiting cars.

Residents torn between helping Border Patrol agents or migrants

Editor's note: Part one of a four-part series

By Molly Hennessy-Fiske
Los Angeles Times

ROMA — The bell over the door at

J.C. Ramirez rang on a slow Wednesday afternoon as Border Patrol agents in green uniforms entered the western-wear store looking for an immigrant mother and baby.

Owner Cecilia Benavides let the agents search the plywood dressing rooms, back office, shelves stacked with straw cowboy hats and racks of George Strait Wrangler dress shirts. They left empty-handed.

Moments later, the bell sounded again. In walked an unfamiliar woman, a baby in her arms. Benavides, 75, glanced at her sales clerk, unsure what to do.

In Roma, a major thoroughfare for illegal immigration on the Texas-Mexico border, encountering Border Patrol agents and the immigrants desperate to evade them is an inescapable part of life.

Residents repeatedly face legal and ethical questions: Do you help and, if so, whom? The immigrants or the Border Patrol? Almost daily, they weigh fear against

compassion, resentment against concern.

When a man arrived at Benavides' shop last year, soaked from the river and stinking after hiding all day in a trash can, she gave him fresh clothes and food in a hat box, so he wouldn't attract agents' attention. When Benavides saw the woman with the baby, she didn't call the Border Patrol either. Instead, she watched for signs of distress.

The woman didn't appear scared. She spoke Spanish, as do most people in Roma, asking about children's boots. And she posed another question: Why had Border Patrol agents approached her outside?

Benavides relaxed, explained who the agents were pursuing, and rang up \$50 boots. She was spared having to make a decision.

Border Patrol agents once broke a shop window with their batons as they chased

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Cruz continues crusade against health care law

By Andrea Drusch
McClatchy Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Ted Cruz is still on a crusade to wipe out the Affordable Care Act, but the effort is getting lonelier and lonelier.

Republican leaders are now publicly rooting against a Texas-led lawsuit that could eradicate the law in its entirety. Cruz laid the groundwork last year for the lawsuit's approach.

The GOP also largely ignored Cruz's pleas to make major changes to the law using only Republican votes in these final days when the party controls all of Congress. Democrats will run the House as of Jan. 3.

Fresh off an election where Republicans lost control of the House in large part due to attacks on their plans to overhaul the nation's health care system, GOP leaders desperately want to move on from an issue that's gone from political boom to an albatross.

"I'd like to see (the Texas lawsuit) go on appeal because I'm pretty sure it will be overturned and people won't have to worry about it," said Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tennessee, chairman of the Senate panel overseeing health.

"People ought to just take a deep breath and see what the Supreme Court does, maybe in a couple years from now," said Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, the second-ranking Senate Republican. He's up for re-election in 2020.

Cruz, on the other hand, has never stopped dreaming up unorthodox approaches to end or severely water down the Affordable Care Act.

"Obamacare has been driving up premiums and hurting the people of Texas. It is long past time for Congress to address that directly," Cruz said of his lonely quest.

Texas has the country's highest rate of people who are uninsured, roughly 19 percent of its non-elderly population, according to a December report from the Urban Institute, a nonpartisan research group.

That rate has gone down since the Affordable Care Act began eight years ago, according to the report, but Texas has not taken advantage of the law's Medicaid expansion, as several GOP-led states have done.

Cruz, who once helped trigger a government shutdown in an attempt to defund some of the health care law's programs, urged GOP colleagues in a closed-door policy meeting last month to make changes to the health care law that he said would help people better afford insurance in his state.

His proposal would use an obscure budget tool that would make it difficult for Democrats to filibuster changes such as ending the law's employer mandate, which requires organizations with 50 or more full-time employees to provide minimum health care coverage. Cruz also suggested expanding health savings accounts, which allow people to put untaxed money aside

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Government shutdown likely to stretch into next week

By Juliet Linderman
and Darlene Superville
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Chances look slim for ending the partial government shutdown any time soon.

House lawmakers are being told not to expect further votes this week, all but ensuring the shutdown will enter a second week and stretch toward the new year.

Lawmakers are away from Washington for the holidays and have been told they will get 24 hours' notice before having to

return for a vote. And although both the House and the Senate were slated to come into session briefly Thursday afternoon, few senators or representatives were expected to be around for it.

President Donald Trump is vowing to hold the line on his demand for money to build a border wall. Back from the 29-hour trip to visit U.S. troops, Trump tweeted Thursday that "we desperately need" a wall on the Mexico border, funding for which has been a flashpoint between the White House and Congress ever since Trump took office.

He called on Democrats in Congress to fund his wall, saying the shutdown affects their supporters. He asserted without evidence: "Do the Dems realize that most of the people not getting paid are Democrats?"

Virginia Democratic Sen. Mark Warner called Trump's comments "outrageous." In his tweet, he added: "Federal employees don't go to work wearing red or blue jerseys. They're public servants. And the President is treating them like

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Price of oil

\$44.61 ▼ \$1.61

Did you know?

TxDOT Odessa district is to receive more funding after a firearm-related incident for highway safety. Page 2A

Local crime

2 men were arrested after a firearm-related incident Wednesday. Read more on Page 2A.

Word of the Day:

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MCSO: Man arrested after fleeing scene of firearm incident

From staff reports

An Austin man was arrested Thursday afternoon in west Midland after fleeing the scene of a firearm-related incident on Wednesday, Sheriff Gary Painter said.

Johnnie Walter Robinson II, 27, was arrested "without incident" Thursday afternoon, Painter told the Reporter-Telegram. A second man, Midlander Jordan Wendell Tyler Williams, 19, was arrested Wednesday afternoon at Airline Mobile Home Park, where the incident occurred.

Sheriff's deputies responded at about noon Wednesday to a disturbance "involving one male pointing a shotgun at another male" at the mobile home park, according to a Wednesday night email from the Midland County Sheriff's Office. They arrested Williams and seized the shotgun. The man at whom the shotgun was pointed is related to Williams and was not injured, Painter told the Reporter-Telegram on Thursday.

Robinson was arrested early afternoon Thursday in the back yard of a residence in the 800 block of Devonian Drive, Painter said. He had returned to the mobile home park and took an SUV — a Toyota Sequoia registered to a Midlander, according to a Midland County Sheriff's Office press release. After receiving a call, deputies

pursued the SUV up Highway 80 to

Loop 250.

Midland Police Department and Texas Department of Public Safety then

joined the pursuit as Robinson turned onto Anetta Drive. He got out of the vehicle near Devonian Drive, and K-9 officers tracked him to the Devonian residence, according to the release.

Robinson was being held Thursday on a third-degree felony charge of evading arrest or detention with a motor vehicle, but bond had not yet been set. He also has outstanding warrants — evading arrest or detention, a class A misdemeanor, in Midland County; and two misdemeanor drug possession charges in Travis County, Painter said.

Williams was being held Thursday on unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon, a third-degree felony; theft of a firearm, a state jail felony; possession of a controlled substance and possession of marijuana, both class A misdemeanors; and fraudulent use of identifying information, a state jail felony. For each of the possession charges, a \$500 bond has been set; bonds have not been set on the other charges, according to the MCSO website.



Williams

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From 1A

an immigrant. In November, a smuggler fleeing agents crashed his car into the store, cracking a wall. No one was injured, but Benavides was stuck with repair bills. She didn't intervene in either case.

This legal, ethical and moral question of whether to help immigrant or agent is a recurring theme in Roma, as a Los Angeles Times reporter and photographer discovered while living here this year. The pair stayed off and on from July to October in a house The Times rented half a block from the Rio Grande. They found that whether to aid immigrants or agents often triggered debates, sometimes within families.

When Thalia Munoz spotted a group of immigrants camped with three small children in a field opposite her porch, she didn't immediately call *la patrulla fronteriza*, as the Border Patrol is known.

"My husband and I were sitting outside debating: Do you call or not call?" said Munoz, 76, a hospital administrator.

She said "no." He said "yes." Ultimately, he called, concerned about the children's safety. The Border Patrol detained the group.

Growing up in Roma, Munoz never hesitated to help migrants. It was a town where everyone seemed to have ties, or relatives, in Mexico.

"It used to be they were coming for jobs from the border towns here. As long as I can remember, illegals would end up in your backyard and you fed them and gave them water and they'd leave," she said. But that was before the rise of international drug cartels and gangs. "Things have changed so much, you're afraid. You don't know what their intentions are."

Roma, population 11,400, is an immigration hot spot in the Rio Grande Valley, which accounted for 41 percent of those caught crossing the border illegally nationwide for the fiscal year that ended in September. It was here, in the southern tip of Texas, that President Trump and Gov. Greg Abbott deployed the National Guard last spring and hundreds more troops in October to stop a caravan of Central American immigrants traveling through Mexico.

Dina Isabel Garcia-Pena often sees migrants stop at her husband's body shop, where she assembles El Tejano newspaper in a back office. She feels for them. "Most of us are only one or two generations away from being illegal immigrants," she said.

Garcia-Pena has received death threats after writing articles critical of smugglers, and knows neighbors fear new Central American arrivals. But she also keeps water out for passing immigrants and has let them use her phone. She's seen the Border Patrol detain families with boys who resemble her 5-year-old son.

"I feel very conflicted," she said. Melissa De La Cruz, 39, a third-grade teacher and mother of three, lives a block from the river and is often approached by immigrants, some more insistent than others. Sometimes she alerts the Border Patrol, or *la migra*. Sometimes she doesn't.

She sympathizes with immigrants fleeing violence and knows they pay dearly to cross the border. A hairdresser from Mexico City who she found hiding on her mother's back porch said he paid \$10,000 to join his three brothers in Illinois. She didn't report him.

But when a pregnant immigrant approached De La Cruz outside her house a few years ago and offered \$100 for a ride, the teacher panicked. "I'm not going to risk my certificate for you," she said.

Instead, she gave the woman water and let her use a cordless phone. The woman left and later called to thank De La Cruz after joining family in the Midwest.

In Roma, the immigrants appear just about anywhere — hiding in carports, trees, church pews, storm drains and the clothes racks at Bealls department store. Recently, the Roma chief of police came home from work to find an immigrant sitting on his front wall. The stranger claimed to be a yard worker, then fled.

Some immigrants try to pass as locals. Wearing a fresh change of clothes, they slip into Whataburger or by immigration agents parked outside Church's Chicken. Some try to blend in with joggers on the track at Roma's park, or the nearby baseball field. Though Roma is more than 99 percent Latino, according to the most recent census, and Spanish is often spoken more than English, immigrants' nervousness can betray them. An immigrant spotted at the park recently darted through a Little League game, a Border Patrol agent in pursuit, halting play.

"Right in the middle of first base. Everyone was watching them instead of the game," said De La Cruz, whose son was playing.

Some border crossers die in the attempt. This summer, a body was found floating in the river off Roma, and dozens more surfaced farther downstream. A decade ago, Nelson Martinez's dog Guero brought home a human skull.

He followed the dog to the body, rotting in a field beside his trailer. Martinez, 40, couldn't understand why the Border Patrol hadn't found it earlier. The body had been there for days. Authorities managed to identify the man, a 41-year-old named Juan, and reached his relatives in Mexico.

"The family came and thanked me," Martinez said as he picked his way through tall grass to the cross he erected at the site.

Untold numbers of migrants die trying to traverse unforgiving stretches of Rio Grande Valley brush land. Daniel Trevino felt compelled to help immigrants he met while leading a Youth Conservation Corps team in the area for



Robert Gauthier/Los Angeles Times/TNS

Roma Police officers help border patrol agents look for a suspected immigrant July 26 underneath a mobile home on Baldemar Street.

nine years.

"We had to help people with dehydration, me doing CPR. We took two big coolers, and when people requested water, what do you do? You help," said Trevino, 52.

If he encountered Border Patrol agents who asked whether he had seen immigrants, Trevino would answer truthfully.

Hector Escamilla, the Border Patrol commander for the Roma area, can't condone smuggling but acknowledged it can be difficult for residents to know what to do when they encounter a migrant.

"It's up to each individual. If I'm out there, I'm going to do what I feel is right as a person, as a Christian. We're not going to hold someone accountable for helping someone when it's a matter of life and limb," he said. "But when they're harboring, it's a question of violating immigration law."

Some locals do smuggle, largely because of family ties and the lagging local economy, Escamilla said. Central Americans, about 80 percent of the immigrants his agency is catching, typically pay smugglers several hundred dollars each to sneak them into the U.S. and elude Border Patrol checkpoints spread across the Rio Grande Valley. Would-be border crossers from farther afield — China or India — can pay \$10,000 or more.

"Some people make a lucrative living harboring people," Escamilla said.

Local smugglers are a mix of professionals and novices tempted by a quick buck. Melissa Gonzalez and her husband decided to offer an immigrant a ride after seeing border crossers sprint past their Roma apartment nightly. They knew the risks. Gonzalez's mother had been caught smuggling and was still on five years' probation. They had seen migrants pass with face tattoos from the notorious MS-13 gang. But Gonzalez is disabled. Her husband earned a pitance as her caregiver. They needed the money.

Gonzalez also sympathized with Mexican migrants. Her twin sister, Melinda, had been married and killed across the river in Miguel Aleman by drug cartel hit men in 2010.

The couple charged their first customer, a Mexican man, \$200. Just as he was climbing into their gray Ford Ranger pickup on May 26, the Border Patrol zoomed up. They were arrested and jailed with migrants, including some pregnant women. When they were released days later, they discovered their 7-year-old truck had been impounded. The cost of getting it back, \$3,675. They couldn't afford to pay, so they lost the truck.

After she returned home from jail, Gonzalez was accosted by three migrant men hiding behind brush in her yard. She had vowed not to smuggle again. "Don't call *la migra*," one man said, grabbing her upper arm so hard he left marks.

Gonzalez pitied the man. "I'm not going to call them," she told him. "God bless you."

In early September, one Roma resident said a friend called for help after an immigrant appeared at her house, claiming to have been abandoned by his smuggler. The resident called a neighbor she suspected of smuggling, but he said he couldn't help — the man was beyond his territory.

"I think he ended up calling Border Patrol to pick him up," she said.

Other Roma residents who have never smuggled say Border Patrol agents treat them with unfounded suspicion.

After an immigrant was discovered in the Ceballos family's gray SUV in June, the Border Patrol impounded the vehicle. Javier Ceballos, a Roma firefighter and medical equipment deliveryman, said the immigrant broke in and used the back seat as a hiding place.

No one in the Ceballos family was charged, but they still had to pay \$1,900 to get back the SUV, only to find a toolbox missing. The Border Patrol refused to replace it. An agency spokesman would not comment on the case but said the Border Patrol followed the law on seized property.

Ceballos, 41, said he has aided immigrants in the past, and that it's only human to want to help, especially women and children. But he insists he's not a smuggler.

"Sometimes they ask for water and I give it to them. There are people who say, 'No, I don't want to get involved, go on.' But I do it," he said. "If they ask for a ride, that's something different."

Now he's less likely to help the Border Patrol, he said, because agents "take advantage of the uniform," intimidating residents, treating them like suspects.

"If you're rude, I'm not going to help," he said in Spanish. "I was born in the United States. I also have rights. ... There must be mutual respect. They do not have the right to humiliate me."

Distrust between agents and Roma

residents is often mutual. The Border Patrol in Roma includes agents from the Rio Grande Valley, other parts of Texas and out of state. Most agents in Roma are men, many are Latino, but the force includes a mix of backgrounds.

Agents are careful about where they eat, worried that cooks will spit in their food. Some won't go to bars or gyms because they fear being spied on.

Border Patrol commanders assign agents as community liaisons to visit neighborhoods, schools and officials. They created a Citizens Academy and Operation Detour, a program that warns residents about the dangers of smuggling. In 2012, they stationed an agent in a trailer in Roma to hear from residents. Few came.

"If their neighbor's a smuggler, they might not want to be seen talking to us," said Supervisory Agent Albert Olivares, because the smuggler "might think they're ratting them out."

Residents are leery of local police, too. Roma officers spend so much time chasing immigrants that other agencies in the Rio Grande Valley refer to them as "Roma Border Patrol."

Roma Police Chief Jose Garcia said his officers are simply responding to residents. "Sometimes we might feel like Border Patrol because we get so many of those calls," he said, noting the National Council for Home Safety ranked Roma among the state's 50 safest cities this year, which he credits to the presence of local, state and federal patrols.

Some residents fear that law enforcement is in league with cartels or smugglers. Jose Armando Loera — no relation to cartel kingpin Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman Loera, he said — lives on Roma's riverfront. He recalled that several South Texas sheriffs had been ousted for colluding with smugglers.

"If the law comes and asks you what's happening and you say something, they could tell someone on the other side" of the border, said Loera, 58.

In Roma's historic downtown, the Rev. Paul Wilhelm and his parishioners walk a delicate line helping those in distress at the aptly named Our Lady of Refuge Catholic Church.

"Father Pablo," as he is known, is a grandfatherly figure: white beard with a silver cross necklace. Wilhelm, 77, walks around barefoot and in worn jeans, gardening outside the downtown church. When young Central Americans dash past at night, they sometimes pause to request a blessing. He obliges.

Two years ago, when migrant families were packing the area, the priest negotiated with the Border Patrol and state troopers to stop chasing migrants up a sycamore tree onto the church roof. But he said he does not shelter immigrants.

When parishioners restarted the rosary society this year, Wilhelm had one rule: should they encounter migrants at the church. Call me, not the Border Patrol. A woman arriving early was startled by a migrant sleeping on a pew and called authorities, who detained him.

Parishioners now want to leave the church unlocked during the day for prayers, but the priest is resisting. He worries the church will become a hiding place again. Lately, he's noticed wet clothes discarded behind the church.

"I would love to have the church open, but those days are over," he said.

When Wilhelm spots injured migrants, he often contacts Munoz, who runs the county hospital and can arrange treatment without alerting the Border Patrol. But that's not always easy.

One night a couple of years ago, a severely dehydrated Central American immigrant appeared on her porch. He said he had been lost for two days after a smuggler abandoned him. "Where are you going?" Munoz asked.

"Why, here — Houston," he said, unaware the city was nearly 400 miles north.

Munoz checked his pulse. It was racing. As her daughter fetched a Gatorade, sandwich and cookies, the man begged them not to call *la migra*.

"I'll get better," he promised. Munoz considered.

"Do you know how to pray?" she asked. Yes, he said, crossing himself. As they recited the Our Father and Hail Mary, Munoz prayed "to make the right decision."

Afterward, she asked: "Don't you think you need to go to the hospital? You'll go in the ambulance. We never call immigration."

The man agreed. Munoz alerted the hospital, assuming she had bypassed 911. But someone told police, who contacted the Border Patrol. Agents picked up the man at the hospital.

"At least he ended up getting help and he didn't die," Munoz said.

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TxDOT Odessa district to receive more highway safety funding

Midland County will receive some funds for median barriers and safety lighting

From staff reports

The Texas Department of Transportation announced \$90 million in funding for overpasses and safety projects, and some of those improvements will have an impact in Midland County.

The largest allocation to the district was \$51.66 million, part of the state's \$166 million Systemic Median Barriers program, according to a press release from TxDOT. Nearly 150 miles of median barriers will be built at six locations across the Odessa District.

The sites include 12 miles of cable barrier on Business Interstate 20 in Ector and Midland counties from East Loop 338 to West Loop 250 (\$2.4 million) and 3.6 miles of cable barrier on West Loop 250 in Midland from near Highway 191 to near Interstate 20 (\$700,000).

In addition, the Odessa District also was allocated \$14.7 million from the federal Highway Safety Improvement Program. The Odessa District has 23 locations that will receive various safety improvements. There are two projects in Midland County. A center median barrier on Highway 191 from East Loop 338 in Ector County to West Loop 250 has a cost estimate of \$2.3 million. An intersection flashing beacon at Loop 250 and "A" Street in Midland County has a cost estimate of \$44,000.

Other safety lighting Midland County locations include:

Farm-to-Market Road 1788 and West County Road 160;

Highway 349 and East County Road 135;

FM 307 and FM 1379;

Highway 137 at FM 307.

Other projects across the district related to the Systemic Median Barriers program include:

92.7 miles of concrete barrier on Interstate 20 from FM 1053 in Ector County to I-10 in Reeves County (\$37.3 million);

29.2 miles of cable barrier on U.S. 385 in Ector and Andrews counties from near Southeast Avenue E in Andrews to the Yukon

Road area in Ector County (\$5.9 million);

7.3 miles of cable barrier on Loop 338 in Ector County from near US 385 to near Highway 191 (\$2.7 million);

4 miles of cable barrier on West Loop 338 in Ector County from near Yukon to near 16th Street (\$2.7 million);

Other federal Highway Safety Improvement Program projects include:

Overpass at Highway 115 and FM 181 in Andrews County; cost estimate \$8.5 million

Traffic signal at I-20 and Highway 137 in Martin County; cost estimate \$579,000

Traffic signal, advance warning signals/signs and safety lighting at Highway 385 at 87th Street in Ector County; cost estimate \$797,000

Safety lighting along Highway 18 from Loop 464 to West 36th Street in Ward County; cost estimate \$624,000

Safety lighting at the following locations: FM 1053 and FM 1233 in Crane County; RM 652 at County Road 300 in Loving County; Highway 115 and Highway 128 in Andrews County; East Loop 338 and West 87th Street in Ector County; Highway 285 and RM 652 in Reeves County; Highway 349 and County Road 173E in Upton County; Highway 349 and RM 3200 in Martin County

Addition of a left turn lane and improve traffic signals at Highway 385 and South Loop 338 in Ector County; cost estimate \$267,000

Intersection flashing beacon, advance warning signals and safety lighting at FM 869 and FM 1934 in Reeves County; cost estimate \$117,000

About 63 miles of centerline and edge profile pavement markings (rumble strips on edge and in center of road); cost estimate \$640,000. Locations are: 21 miles from Highway 115 to Highway 181 in Andrews County; 16.3 miles on Highway 349 from Crockett County line to Interstate 10 in Pecos County; 24.7 miles on Highway 90 from the Pecos County line to approximately 14 miles east of Highway 285 in Terrell County.

The \$51.66 million project is expected to let in August. All others are expected to let in 2020.

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2. a large, long, or conspicuous feather.

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Things to do

- "The Great Russian Nutcracker: Dove of Peace" by the Moscow Ballet, 7 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788, nutcracker.com.
- Evening Storytime at the Library, 4:30 p.m. (2-6 years), Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.
- Beef Rib Night, 5 p.m., True Texas BBQ, 5407 Andrews Highway.
- Seafood Night, 6 p.m., Ranchland Hills Golf Club, 1600 E. Wesley Ave., ranchlandhills.com.
- Bingo Nights, 7 p.m., American Legion, 501 Veterans Airport Lane, 682-5511.
- Live Event Thru, 7 p.m., Twist Restaurant and Bar, 5518 Starboard Drive.
- ClubNights with DJ Bookie and DJ Danny G, 8 p.m., The Reserve in the DoubleTree, 117 W. Wall St.
- Noche Caliente with DJ Sancho, 8 p.m., Club Amba, 1006 S. Midland Road.
- DJ Wildmen, 9 p.m., the Lift on 7th, 1401 E. Seventh St. Odessa.
- Karaoke, 9 p.m., Detour Bar, 1708 Rankin Highway.
- Karaoke Karaoke with DJ Cisco, 9 p.m., Midland Beer Garden, 7112 W. Highway 80.

Wind speeds

On Wednesday, the National Weather Service reported sustained wind speeds of 44 mph and gust speeds of 52 mph.

Those fell short of records for Midland for the month and year.
Highest sustained winds
Wednesday: 44 mph
Record for December: 51, set on Dec. 8, 2009

Record for any day: 67, set on Feb. 9, 1960
Highest gust speeds
Wednesday: 51 mph
Record for December: 63 mph, set on Dec. 8, 2009

Record for any day: 93, set on June 26, 2007

Holiday trash

Please note that from now until Jan. 7, the city of Midland trash pickup will be once a week.

Keep Midland Beautiful suggests not putting wrapping paper and bows from Christmas presents into trash dumpsters until Jan. 7. Bows and Nos. 1 and 2 plastics can be recycled.

Today in history

Getting crafty in class



Courtesy photo

Crista Carrasco, left, and Emily Yharte work on holiday wreaths in the floral design class at Midland High School.

Today is Friday, Dec. 28, the 362nd day of 2018. There are three days left in the year.
Today's highlight:
On Dec. 28, 1861, Elizabeth Jordan Carr, the first American "test-tube" baby, was born in Norfolk, Virginia.
On this date:
■ In 1612, Italian astronomer Galileo Galilei observed the planet Neptune, but mistook it for a star.

(Neptune wasn't officially discovered until 1846 by Johann Gottfried Galle.)
■ In 1694, Queen Mary II of England died after more than five years of joint rule with her husband, King William III.
■ In 1832, John C. Calhoun became the first vice president of the United States to resign, stepping down because of differences with President Andrew Jackson.
■ In 1895, the Lumiere brothers,

Auguste and Louis, held the first public showing of their movies in Paris.
■ In 1908, a major earthquake followed by a tsunami devastated the Italian city of Messina, killing at least 70,000 people.
■ In 1945, Congress officially recognized the Pledge of Allegiance.
■ In 1972, Kim Il Sung, the premier of North Korea, was named the country's president under a new constitution.

■ In 1973, the book "Gulag Archipelago," Alexander Solzhenitsyn's expose (eks-poh-SAY) of the Soviet prison system, was first published in Paris.
■ In 1987, the bodies of 14 relatives of Ronald Gene Simmons were found at his home near Dover, Arkansas, after Simmons shot and killed two other people in Russellville.
Source: Associated Press

Lottery

All or Nothing morning: 3-4-7-10-13-14-16-17-18-21-22-24
All or Nothing day: 1-3-4-9-11-12-14-18-19-20-21-24
All or Nothing evening: 3-5-6-7-10-11-12-14-16-18-20-21

Daily 4 morning: 5-6-0-4
Daily 4 day: 2-7-0-8
Daily 4 evening: 5-6-4-3
Pick 3 morning: 2-6-3
Pick 3 day: 3-9-9
Pick 3 evening: 9-7-0

Because of an earlier deadline, the night drawings were unavailable.

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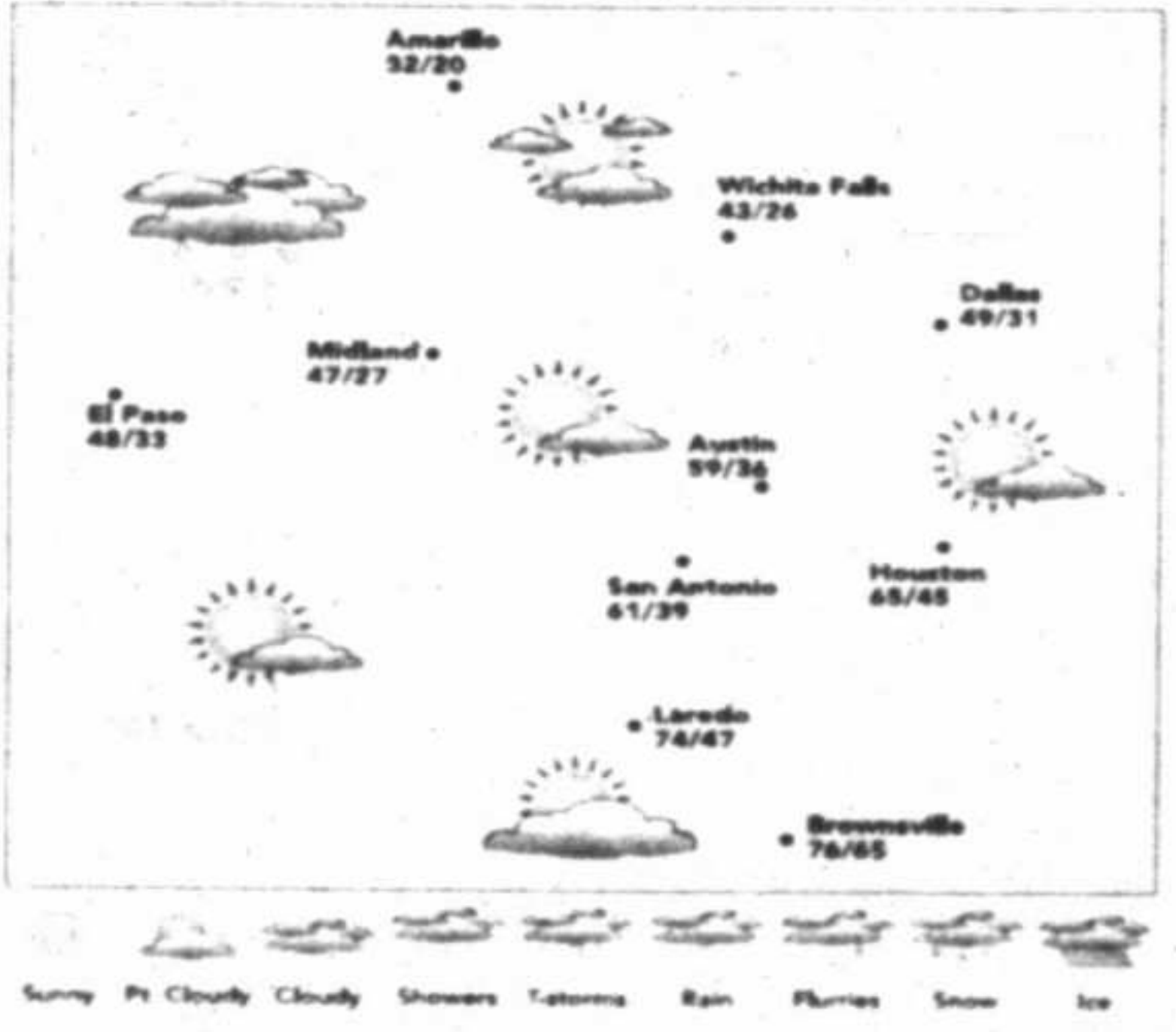
Thursday's temperatures
High: 53
Low: 44
Normal high: 57
Normal low: 30

Dec. 27's records
Record high: 75, set in 1964 and repeated in 1970 and 1996
Record low: 9, set in 1939

Precipitation
Wednesday: 0.14 in.
Thursday: 0.00
Month total: 1.02 in.
Year total: XX in.
Normal total (year to date): 17.69 in.

Winds
Wind speed: 31 mph
Gust speed: 40 mph
Today's forecast

Forecast for Friday, December 28, 2018



High: 47
Low: 29
Conditions: Mostly sunny today/mostly cloudy tonight
Winds: 5-10 mph today/east 10-15 mph tonight
Chance of rain: 20 percent tonight
Sunrise: 7:48 a.m.
Sunset: 5:53 p.m.
Source: National Weather Service

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic, 4-positive, 3-average, 2-so-so, 1-difficult

Note: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Virgo if born before 2:23 p.m. Afterward, the Moon will be in Libra.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Dec. 28, 2018:
This year you experience a willingness to take charge. Others respond well to you. If you are willing to move ahead and learn more in your field, a promotion or pay raise could be a possibility. If you are single, you have many choices to make. During the next 12 months, you might want to do some soul-searching about what type of relationship you desire. If you are attached, this year is very romantic. You and your partner cannot seem to get enough time together. LIBRA often gets impatient with you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
*** In the morning, you might be more argumentative than you realize. You easily could give someone a piece of your mind. If you want a job done your way, you might need to do it yourself. By mid-afternoon, you feel a difference. Tonight: At a favorite restaurant.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
*** Get an early start on your day. You might hit an obstacle, but you will bypass it more quickly than you had anticipated. Clear up a disagreement soon, before it becomes worse. Emphasize the positives of your interactions with the other party involved. Tonight: Out with friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
*** In the morning, you might feel off. You likely will need to clear the air. At first, you could be upset by all the arguing. Later, however, a resolution will help you to

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
*** You could be tired of the holidays and want a change of pace. You do not need to start an argument just to create some excitement, it will happen anyway. By mid-afternoon, a loved one or potential sweetie drops in on you. Go with the flow. Tonight: Celebrate the weekend in style.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
*** Speak your mind, but make sure that your words are not fighting ones. Otherwise, you could hit a problem. You want the other party to hear your message and not get triggered. Later in the day, you might decide to call it early. Tonight: A good time is had by all.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
*** Your ability to move through a problem allows you greater flexibility and contentment. You do not see a situation in the same light that others do. If another party becomes combative, you might choose not to react. Schedule a late lunch, it might go on for hours. Tonight: Out late.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
*** Throughout the week you have perked up considerably; however, someone appears to have an issue with you. Remember that you do not need to react. Accept an invitation to join friends later in the day. All of you have a lot of news to share. Tonight: Let the chatter continue.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
*** In the morning, you might feel off. You likely will need to clear the air. At first, you could be upset by all the arguing. Later, however, a resolution will help you to

calm down. Your mood will be much more upbeat as a result. You can tackle nearly anything. Tonight: Out on the town.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
*** You could be out with friends or in a meeting at work as you hear an argument start from out of the blue. As you listen to what is being discussed, you are likely to gain a new understanding of the parties involved. Tonight: Head home early -- you need some R and R.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
*** You might find that a boss is being fussy and difficult. Just hang in there. Still, you might find that someone is trying to start an argument around you. It is your call whether

you want to get involved. Make plans to be with friends or someone special. Tonight: Swap holiday tales.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
*** You might want to share more of your vision of what could happen if you were to free yourself up. You could find that a loved one is threatened by what you share, and you might need to talk through this problem together. Both of you will be happier if you do. Tonight: Say "yes."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
*** If you are not careful, you could make a big problem for yourself. Deal with a loved one directly. You have a way about you that draws many people toward you. There

can be an element of jealousy around you at times. Try to look at the big picture. Tonight: As you like it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
*** You could be too tired to continue at this present pace. Someone close to you is likely to push your buttons in an attempt to get you energized. Be aware of what this person is doing. Make time for a one-on-one conversation later in the day. Tonight: TGIF with a special friend.

BORN TODAY
Comedian Seth Meyers (1973), singer/songwriter John Legend (1978), actor Denzel Washington (1954)

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Defying pundits, GOP share of Latino vote steady under Trump

By Nicholas Riccardi
Associated Press

LITTLETON, Colo. — Pedro Gonzalez has faith in Donald Trump and his party.

The 55-year-old Colombian immigrant is a pastor at an evangelical church in suburban Denver. Initially repelled by Trump in 2016, he's been heartened by the president's steps to protect religious groups and appoint judges who oppose abortion rights. More important, Gonzalez sees Trump's presidency as part of a divine plan.

"It doesn't matter what I think," Gonzalez said of the president. "He was put there."

Though Latino voters are a key part of the Democratic coalition, there is a larger bloc of reliable Republican Latinos than many think. And the GOP's position among Latinos has not weakened during the Trump administration, despite the president's rhetoric against immigrants and the party's shift to the right on immigration.

In November's elections, 32 percent of Latinos voted for Republicans, according to AP VoteCast data. The survey of more than 115,000 midterm voters — including 7,738 Latino voters — was conducted for The Associated Press by NORC at the University of Chicago.

Other surveys also found roughly one-third of Latinos supporting the GOP. Data from the Pew Research Center and from exit polls suggests that a comparable share of about 3 in 10 Latino voters supported Trump in 2016. That tracks the share of Latinos supporting Republicans for the last decade.

The stability of Republicans' share of the Latino vote frustrates Democrats, who say actions like Trump's family separation policy and his demonization of an immigrant caravan should drive Latinos out of the GOP.

"The question is not are Democrats winning the Hispanic vote — it's why aren't Democrats winning the Hispanic vote 80-20 or 90-10 the way black voters are?" said Fernand Amandi, a Miami-based Democratic pollster. He argues Democrats must invest more in



AP file photo

A man holds up a sign for then-Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump before the start of a rally May 25, 2016, at the Anaheim Convention Center in Anaheim, Calif.

winning Latino voters.

The VoteCast data shows that, like white voters, Latinos are split by gender — 61 percent of men voted Democratic in November, while 69 percent of women did. And while Republican-leaning Latinos can be found everywhere in the country, two groups stand out as especially likely to back the GOP — evangelicals and veterans.

Evangelicals comprised about one-quarter of Latino voters, and veterans were 13 percent. Both groups were about evenly split between the two parties. Mike Madrid, a Republican strategist in California, said those groups have reliably provided the GOP with many Latino votes for years.

"They stick and they do not go away," Madrid said. Much as with Trump's own core white voters, attacks on the president and other Republicans for being anti-immigrant "just make them dig in even more," he added.

Sacramento-based Rev. Sam Rodriguez, one of Trump's spiritual advisers, said evangelical Latinos have a clear reason to vote Republican. "Why do 30 percent of Latinos still support Trump? Because of the Democratic Party's obsession with abortion," Rodriguez said. "It's life and religious liberty and everything else follows."

Some conservative Latinos say their political leanings make them feel more like a minority than their ethnicity does. Irina Vilariño, 43, a Miami restaurateur and Cuban immi-

grant, said she had presidential bumper stickers for Sen. John McCain, Mitt Romney and Trump scratched off her car. She said she never suffered from discrimination growing up in a predominantly white south Florida community, "but I remember during the McCain campaign being discriminated against because I supported him."

The 2018 election was good to Democrats, but Florida disappointed them. They couldn't convince enough of the state's often right-leaning Cuban-American voters to support Sen. Bill Nelson, who was ousted by the GOP's Spanish-speaking Gov. Rick Scott, or rally behind Democrats' gubernatorial candidate, Tallahassee Mayor Andrew Gillum, who lost to Republican Rep. Ron DeSantis.

Still, in the rest of the country, there were signs that pleased Democrats. Latinos voted at high rates in an election that saw record-setting turnout among all demographic groups. Latinos normally have among the worst midterm turnout rates, and while official data won't be available for months, a number of formerly-Republican congressional districts in California and New Mexico flipped Democratic.

That's why Republicans shouldn't take solace from being able to consistently win about one-third of Latinos, said Madrid. They're still losing two-thirds of an electorate that's being goaded into the voting booth by Trump.

"That is contributing

to the death spiral of the Republican Party — even if it holds at 30 percent," Madrid said. "That's a route to death, it's just a slower one."

Gonzalez, the pastor, sees the trend in Colorado. He distributed literature across Spanish-speaking congregations supporting Republican gubernatorial candidate Walker Stapleton, who was crushed by Democratic Rep. Jared Polis as the GOP lost every race for statewide office.

Gonzalez understands the anger among some Latinos at the GOP and Trump for what he says is a false impression of a solely headline immigration stance. "In the community that is not informed, that is following the rhetoric of the media, there's a view that Donald Trump is a bad guy," Gonzalez said. Evangelicals "understand that he's there to defend values."

Gonzalez's church is Iglesia Embajada del Reino, or Church of the Kingdom's Embassy. On a recent Saturday night, an eight-piece band played Spanish-language Christian rock before Gonzalez walked to the podium.

Wearing a blue corduroy blazer, blue shirt and grey slacks, Gonzalez, a one-time member of a Marxist group in Colombia, told his congregants that they were ambassadors of a higher power — the kingdom of God.

"It's important that your political opinions, your social opinions," not enter into it, Gonzalez said. "We need to represent the position of 'The Kingdom.'"

Gonzalez did not mention Trump in his sermon, though he spoke about the Bible as a book of governance.

Afterward the congregation gathered for bowls of posole, a traditional Mexican soup. When politics came up, church-goers struggled to balance their enthusiasm for some of Trump's judicial appointments with their distaste at his rhetoric and actions.

"I think the president has good, Christian principles," said Jose Larios, a parks worker. "But we feel as Latinos that he doesn't embrace our community, and our community is good and hard-working."

SHALE

From 1A

shale flows, but also with new regional varieties such as Umm Lulu and Kuwait Super Light.

Despite the recent price reductions, Middle Eastern light crudes remain relatively handicapped versus American oil ahead of 2020, when new international rules mandating the use of less-polluting fuel in ships take effect. The sulfur content in grades such as Arab Extra Light and Murban is still higher than levels in U.S. crude, meaning they need to be processed a bit more to yield cleaner fuels.

SHRINKING PROFITS

On the refined products front, rising shale production and its use in U.S. refineries are leading to a domestic surplus of fuel that either gets exported to international markets, or displaces cargoes that move from Asia to buyers elsewhere such as Latin America.

Average U.S. exports of oil products have risen 7 percent so far this year, data from the Department of Energy show. America's surplus of gasoline is estimated to swell by 80,000 barrels a day in 2019 as demand plateaus and domestic output climbs, according to ESI Energy LLC, pushing daily exports of finished and blending material to over 1

million barrels next year.

"Excess U.S. gasoline volumes will face stiff competition in an oversupplied global market," Ian Page, an analyst at industry consultant ESI Energy, wrote in a Dec. 19 note. These barrels are expected to find their way to Latin America and other markets, displacing the imports from Europe and Asia, he said. Refining margins in Singapore, Asia's trading hub, fell to the lowest level in over 4 years earlier this month, according to data from Oil Analytics, due to factors including a rise in oil-product supplies in the Atlantic Basin as well as higher exports from China and South Korea. Returns from making fuels were at 77 cents a barrel as of Dec. 21, compared with an average of \$2.71 over the past 12 months.

Average monthly flows of U.S. light distillates such as naphtha and gasoline components to Asia were at about 552,000 metric tons this year, almost triple the volume over the last two years, according to data compiled by Bloomberg.

"Oil-product markets have felt the ill effects of more light crude supplies for some time, with gasoline margins under-performing," said Energy Aspects' Chauhan. "That's limiting the ability of refiners to process incrementally lighter barrels."

CRUZ

From 1A

for health care and to help pay for premiums.

"I made that case to my colleagues emphatically because the Democratic obstruction we're seeing right now, that handwriting was on the wall," Cruz said of his push to use the budget tool.

Doing so could have allowed his party to tackle a host of remaining policy goals, including securing funding for Trump's wall — the disagreement that caused the government to go into a partial shutdown. Trump himself suggested using the option to get the wall funded, but it was quickly rejected by senators from both parties.

The Texas lawsuit, though, could still force lawmakers to return to the issue of health care, if the suit is upheld by higher courts.

Earlier this month a Fort Worth judge said the entire law became unconstitutional when Republicans removed a provision that forced people to pay a fine if they don't have health insurance.

Though Cruz has encouraged the lawsuit as a promising vehicle to deliver big changes on the Affordable Care Act, other Republi-

cans who supported Cruz's plan to delete the individual mandate openly detest using the courts to gut the rest of the law.

It was "very explicitly stated by the people who were (driving that effort) ... that this was not to affect other parts (of the Affordable Care Act)," Sen. Bill Cassidy, R-La., a physician, said of the case.

Cassidy is now working with Democrats on potential changes aimed at lowering premiums.

Cruz was one of the few Republicans in a competitive re-election race in 2018 who didn't face a barrage of attack ads from his opponent over health care.

Asked about potential solutions if the lawsuit succeeds, he pointed to ideas he pushed to include in the Senate's Republican-led effort to replace the Affordable Care Act last year.

Cruz's provision would allow insurance companies to sell cheaper plans to healthy people, as long as the firms continue to offer plans to people with pre-existing conditions.

The Senate Republicans' plan was defeated 51-49.

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REGION BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

EDINBURG Texas police chief arrested on domestic violence charge

A South Texas police chief has been arrested after his common-law wife said he assaulted her.

Records show Hidalgo police Chief Rodolfo "Rudy" Espinoza was booked into Hidalgo County jail Thursday on a charge of assault causing bodily injury to a family member. The Hidalgo County sheriff's office says deputies saw that the victim had minor injuries.

Jail records didn't list an attorney for the 64-year-old Espinoza, who was arraigned and released on \$5,000 bond.

The Monitor reports that City Manager Julian Gonzalez suspended Espinoza in October while the city investigated allegations of inappropriate conduct in the workplace and potential conflicts of interest. Gonzalez didn't immediately reply to a message from The Associated Press on Thursday.

Hidalgo is a city of about 14,000 people located on the border with Mexico.

TYLER Police: Man in custody after 2 fatally shot

Police in East Texas say a 52-year-old man is in custody following an early-morning shooting that left two dead.

Tyler police spokeswoman Jenny Wells says Harvey Louis Martin is charged with capital murder following the shooting Thursday at a home. Martin's bond is set at \$1 million.

Wells says officers responded about 2 a.m. to a shooting call and found the bodies of 25-year-old Krista Newman and 26-year-old Caleb McGrady outside the home.

She says both died at the scene from gunshot wounds.

Wells declined to explain the victims' relationship to one another or how they may have known the suspect.

It's not clear if Martin has an

attorney to speak on his behalf and a message left on a phone number associated with him was not immediately returned.

Tyler is about 85 miles southeast of Dallas.

NEW MEXICO Mayor: Figures show decline in crime

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Officials say the overall crime rate in New Mexico's largest city has dropped for the first time in nearly a decade.

At a news conference Thursday, Albuquerque Mayor Tim Keller said he and his administration were sharing the statistics showing the decrease in crime from 2017 with "sober optimism."

In 2019, Keller's administration plans to target gun violence in the same way it did auto theft and robbery in 2018. He says gun violence "remains unacceptably high."

The figures released Thursday show a roughly 30 percent decrease in auto burglary and auto theft from 2017 to 2018.

Homicides and robbery also were among crime categories with decreases, while non-fatal shootings increased by 4 percent.

NEW MEXICO Rio Arriba County deputy struck while investigating crash

HERNANDEZ — The Rio Arriba County Sheriff's Office says one of its deputies was hospitalized after being struck by a vehicle while investigating a crash caused by snow-packed and icy conditions.

Authorities say Deputy Cindy Garcia had responded to the crash along U.S. 84/285 near the northern New Mexico community of Hernandez around noon Wednesday.

She just got out of her patrol unit when a southbound vehicle lost control and slid into the crash scene, striking the patrol unit and then Garcia.

Major Randy Sanchez with the

sheriff's office says Garcia's injuries were non-life threatening and that she was listed in fair condition at an Espanola hospital. One of her legs was broken, but the extent of her other injuries wasn't immediately known.

NEW MEXICO Winter storm to hit starting Thursday night

ALBUQUERQUE — Forecasters say a major winter storm will hammer New Mexico in the next few days with significant snowfall accumulations and bitterly cold wind chills, along with road closures and other travel impacts.

The National Weather Service encourages people traveling the region to prepare for dangerous winter weather conditions, and says driving in the mountains and plateaus could be difficult to impossible.

The storm was expected to strike the state Thursday night through Saturday, first taking aim at northern and central New Mexico. Heavy snow is expected on the eastern plains Friday.

Wind gusts in the Albuquerque and Santa Fe areas are expected to reach up to 60 mph, and cause blowing and drifting snow with whiteout conditions at times.

OKLAHOMA Heavy snow prompts highway closures in Panhandle

GUYMON — Heavy snow is prompting highway closures and traffic problems in the Oklahoma Panhandle.

Texas County Emergency Management Director Harold Tyson says portions of two major highways were shut down Thursday after 6 to 8 inches of snow fell in the area. He says several tractor-trailers jackknifed along Highway 54, causing traffic to back up for miles near Guymon.

Gov. Mary Fallin on Thursday authorized non-essential state employees in Cimarron and Texas counties to stay home from work.

SHUTDOWN

From 1A

poker chips at one of his failed casinos."

After a weekend and two holiday days for federal employees, Wednesday was the first regularly scheduled workday affected by the closure of a variety of federal services. A brief statement Thursday from the office of Louisiana Rep. Steve Scalise, the No. 3 Republican, spoke to the dim prospect for a quick solution. "Members are advised that no votes are expected in the House this week," the statement said. "Please stay tuned to future updates for more information."

The shutdown started Saturday when funding lapsed for nine Cabinet-level departments and dozens of agencies. Roughly 420,000 workers were deemed essential and are working unpaid, while an additional 380,000 have been furloughed.

While the White House was talking to congressional Democrats — and staff talks continued on Capitol Hill — negotiations dragged Wednesday, dimming hopes for a swift breakthrough.

Republican Rep. Mark Meadows of North Carolina, a Trump ally who has been involved in the talks, said the president "is very firm in his resolve that we need to secure our border." He told CNN, "If they believe that this president is going to yield on this particular issue, they're misreading him."

The impasse over government funding began last week, when the Senate approved a bipartisan deal keeping government open into February. That bill provided \$1.3 billion for border security projects but not money for the wall. At Trump's urging, the House approved that package and inserted the \$5.7 billion he had requested.

But Senate Republicans lacked the votes they needed to force the measure through their chamber. That jump-started negotiations between Congress and the White House, but the deadline came and went without a deal.

The shutdown has been playing out against the backdrop of turmoil in the stock market.

Kevin Hassett, the chairman of the White House's Council of Economic Advisers, said the shutdown does not change the administration's expectation for strong growth heading into 2019. He told reporters a shutdown of a few weeks is not going to have any "significant effect on the outlook."

Among those affected by the shutdown — the third of 2018 — are the departments of Homeland Security, Transportation, Interior, Agriculture, State and Justice. Those being furloughed include 52,000 workers at the Internal Revenue Service and nearly everyone at NASA. About 8 in 10 employees of the National Park Service are staying home, and many parks have closed.

Arizona man finds magic moments in TV show on uncle Houdini

By Terry Tang
Associated Press

PHOENIX — Growing up, George Hardeen never thought too much about being related to arguably the most famous magician of all time, whose name is synonymous with great escape.

But at 66, the Arizona man is delving into the history of his great-uncle Harry Houdini in a journey at the heart of a new series on the Science Channel.

"We spoke to many collectors and historians. These guys live Houdini all the time," Hardeen said. "They know more about Houdini than I will ever be able to."

"Houdini's Last Secrets," which begins airing Jan. 6, follows Hardeen as he and escape artist Lee Terbosic explore the engineering behind some of Houdini's most legendary feats.

The Hungarian-born illusionist, who came to the U.S. as a child, generated headlines in the early 1900s for escaping from handcuffs, straitjackets and even a milk can.

Each of the four episodes focuses on a different stunt, including being buried alive and the water torture cell, in which Houdini was lowered upside down into a water tank with his feet locked in stocks. A stunt builder constructs the props, and Terbosic re-enacts the stunts.

"No one knows how Houdini did the tricks. So, we pondered it and came up with our own methodology so that Lee could perform the trick," Hardeen said.

Wyatt Channell, a Science Channel executive producer, said Houdini knew how to create a persona and hold people's interest but the program tries to look at him from a different perspective.

"Everybody thinks of him as an escape artist, illusionist and magician. But there was a ton of engineering behind what he was doing," Channell said.

The production company approached Hardeen about a year ago. "I think, in many ways, the show



Science Channel via AP

This October 2018 photo provided by the Science Channel shows George Hardeen, the great-nephew of magician Harry Houdini, at the Magic's Theater & Museum in Austin. At 66, Hardeen is delving into the history of his great-uncle in a journey that is the heart of a new series, "Houdini's Last Secrets," set to begin airing Jan. 6, 2019, on the Science Channel.

is George's journey," Channell said. "George is really the one, as the everyman, asking the questions we all are wondering: How Houdini did these things."

It also touches on other questions, such as whether Houdini could have been recruited to be a spy. For that, Hardeen interviewed John McLaughlin, former acting director of the CIA and a lifelong magician and Houdini fan.

Hardeen's grandfather Theo Hardeen was Houdini's younger brother and an illusionist in his own right. George Hardeen's father didn't tell his son about his magical lineage until he was about 10.

"My sister found a piece of mail that came addressed to my dad, Harry Houdini Hardeen. He always went by Harry H. Hardeen," George Hardeen said. "That's when he basically told us."

The show has helped Hardeen learn more about the man behind the magician.

Houdini, who died on Halloween

1926 at 52, and other family members had an incredible work ethic and aimed to be the best, Hardeen said. Houdini ran 10 miles a day to keep his body in peak shape but also was a hoarder with a compulsive side, he said.

"It jibes with stuff my dad told me," said Hardeen, a communication consultant for an Arizona utility.

The show brought him to the House of Houdini, a museum in his ancestral home of Budapest, Hungary, where he hopes to take his three children.

His youngest daughter, Shonie Hardeen, said she would love that opportunity. The 24-year-old from the Arizona mountain town of Flagstaff said the show has increased her interest in her dad's family and Houdini.

"Some people are from somewhere in Europe, and they can't pinpoint it," Shonie Hardeen said. "I guess it's easier for my family to figure out stuff because he's been written about for so long."

Las Vegas to welcome 2019 with superstars

By Regina Garcia Cano
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — No other city does New Year's Eve like Las Vegas.

Lady Gaga, Bruno Mars and Gwen Stefani are among the superstars who will be ushering in the new year with performances at venues on the Las Vegas Strip, while more than 300,000 people are expected to gather on the world-famous corridor Monday to watch eight minutes of fireworks.

At another celebration in the downtown Fremont Street entertainment district, 12 bands will play under a massive video canopy that will show the ball drop in New York's Time Square.

"The only thing that can top Las Vegas is Las Vegas on New Year's Eve," said Jacqueline Peterson of the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority. "The city continues to evolve itself. We never run out of things to do."

Gaga's New Year's Eve concert at Park Theater at Park MGM casino-resort will be the third of her long-anticipated residency, which will debut Friday. Veteran Las Vegas performer Celine Dion will be at The Colosseum at Caesars Palace, and Maroon 5 will celebrate the holiday once again at the Mandalay Bay Events Center.

Stefani will take the stage at Zappos Theater at Planet Hollywood casino-resort as part of the residency she kicked off this year. Calvin Harris, The Chainsmokers and J. Cole are among those performing at nightclubs.

While Las Vegas is known as a place for last-minute trips, tourists who want to ring in 2019 there should act fast. Tourism officials expect 318,000 people to travel to Sin City for the holiday and nearly all the city's more than 147,000 hotel rooms to be booked.

"Now is the time to do it," Chris Baldizan, senior vice president of entertainment booking and development at MGM Resorts International, said about booking a trip for the holiday. But "we'll always find a spot for somebody." Las Vegas police are planning an "all-hands-on-



AP file photo

People watch the fountains at the Bellagio while wearing paper hats to celebrate New Year's Eve Dec. 31, 2015, in Las Vegas. Las Vegas will usher in 2019 trying to outdo itself with performances by Lady Gaga, Gwen Stefani, Bruno Mars and other superstars at the city's various venues. More than 300,000 people are expected to gather Monday, Dec. 31, 2018, on the world-famous Las Vegas Strip to watch 8 minutes of fireworks.

deck approach" to security, Clark County Sheriff Joe Lombardo said.

Authorities will deploy plainclothes officers, federal agents and police in and around the casino-resorts, along with rooftop snipers, Lombardo said.

New Year's Eve is worth an estimated \$403 million to Las Vegas, according to the convention and visitors authority, which is responsible for promoting the destination.

In addition to concerts with tickets on sale for the general public, casino operators also host over-the-top private parties for their VIP guests.

Caesars Entertainment hosted nine of those last year, which included DJs, dancers, fireworks shows, thousands of bottles of champagne and performances by Katy Perry, Jennifer Lopez and other stars. Five hangover brunches were served the next morning.

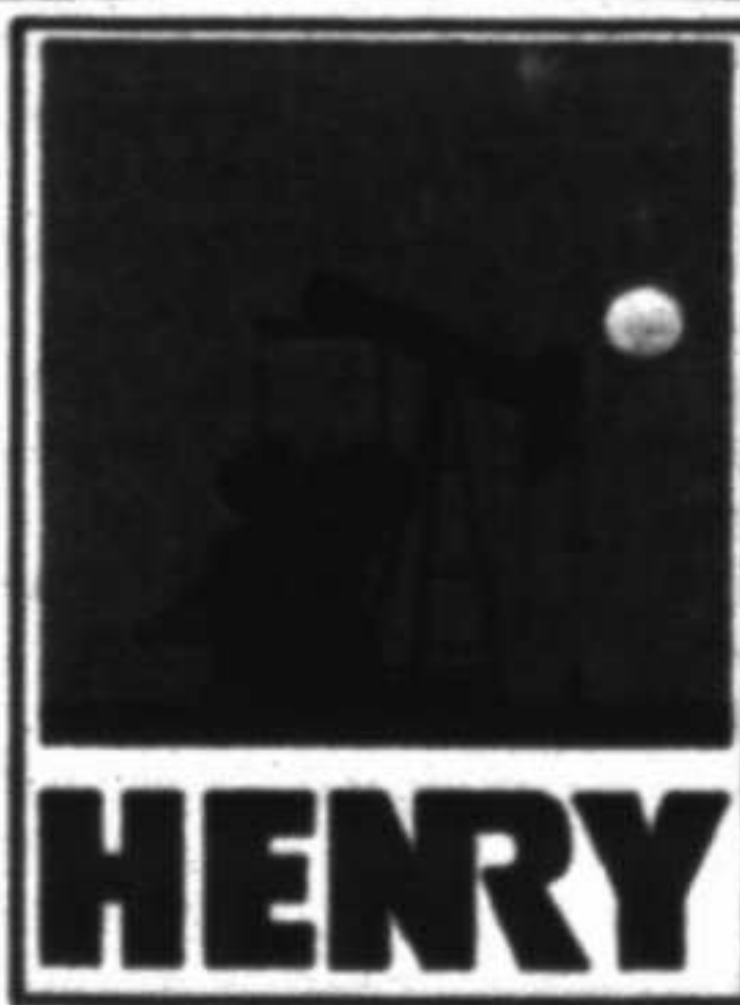
Unlike the two previous years, New Year's Eve falls on a weekday. Casino operators say the Monday celebration is a positive because it gives people a reason to stay beyond a typical weekend trip.

"It just means that more

of our guests are coming in even earlier to spend more days celebrating in this great tradition," said Chris Holdren, executive vice president and chief

marketing officer for Caesars Entertainment. "So, they may come in, spend the weekend and extend it to encompass the great holiday."

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Ruling on nunchucks law brings vindication

■ Teen's life could have been ruined because he liked Bruce Lee martial arts movies

I was arrested for having nunchucks in New York. I'm glad the law was overturned.

When news broke last week that a federal judge had ruled a New York law banning possession of nunchucks unconstitutional, I felt vindicated. You see, as a teenager growing up in New York City in the 1980s, I was arrested and thrown in jail for illegal possession of nunchucks. Really.

During high school, I got into Bruce Lee martial-arts movies. Long before Mayor Rudy Giuliani turned Times Square into a family-friendly theme park, there was a movie theater on Broadway that showed nonstop kung-fu fare. Over summer break, I would go to see Lee movies such as "Game of Death," "Fist of Fury" and "Enter the Dragon." Lee's last film before his death from cerebral edema at age 32 in 1973. The highlight of every Lee movie, for me, was when he picked up a pair of nunchucks — two short sticks connected by a steel swivel chain — and began swinging them around his body.

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taking out dozens of enemy fighters.

After the movie let out one afternoon, I went to a martial-arts store across the street from the theater and bought myself a pair of nunchucks. Unlike the hardwood pair Lee used, I bought a soft pair made of light plywood and covered in bright yellow foam so that when I swung them around and accidentally hit myself on the head, I wouldn't knock myself out.

One day I was riding on the subway going to a friend's house, quietly holding my nunchucks, when a police officer approached me. "Do you know those are illegal?" he asked. No, I told him, I didn't. It hadn't even occurred to me that possessing a pair of the foam-covered nunchucks could be against the law. But it turned out that New York state in 1974 had enacted a complete ban on the possession of nunchucks by private citizens.

The police officer told me to get off with him at the next stop. He pushed me against a wall, handcuffed me, threw me in a squad car and took me to the New York Transit Police station on Columbus Circle, where I was put into a cell with a bunch of drunks and booked on charges of a Class A misdemeanor, "criminal possession of a weapon in the fourth degree."

I used my one call to phone my mother — a doctor who worked treating heroin addicts in the South Bronx. She came down to the station and berated the arresting officer in her thick Polish accent, offering to take him to Central Park and point him to all the drug dealers selling heroin there. Why didn't he do something about them, rather than harassing a harmless teenager? She had to spend thousands of dollars to hire a lawyer, who told us that the charges were serious and that I could face jail time. We went to court, and he cut a deal to have the prosecution deferred. I stood before a judge who told me if I did not commit another crime in the next 12 months, the charges would be dropped and my arrest record expunged. Until then, I was a "juvenile offender." I passed the time without incident and never picked up a pair of nunchucks again.

I have often wondered what would have

happened to a kid whose mother could not afford a decent lawyer. It was absurd that a teenager could have had his life ruined, and be stuck with a criminal record, simply because he wanted to be like Bruce Lee.

I always knew my arrest was a travesty. Now three decades later, the law under which I was arrested has been declared unconstitutional. Citing the Supreme Court's decision in *District of Columbia v. Heller*, which applied the Second Amendment to the states, U.S. District Judge Pamela Chen, who was nominated by President Obama, ruled that "the possession and use of nunchaku is protected by the Second Amendment" and that the sections of the New York law banning them are "an unconstitutional restriction on the right to bear arms ... and are, therefore, void."

The suit was filed by a lawyer named James Maloney, who, like me, had been arrested for possessing nunchucks. He has been fighting this fight since his arrest in 2000. Eighteen years later, he and I have been vindicated. Americans have a constitutional right to keep and bear nunchucks. Not just the foam kind, but the real thing. I have the feeling that, somewhere up there, Bruce Lee is smiling.

GUEST VIEW

Pundits goad Trump into shutting down government

In the traditional White House call to troops stationed overseas at Christmas, President Donald Trump said he has the support of "many" federal workers furloughed during the government shutdown over his refusal to sign any spending bill that doesn't pay for a wall along the Mexican border.

"Many of those workers have said to me — communicated — stay out until you get the funding for the wall," Trump said. That may well be true, but then again this is a president whose proficiency in prevarication is well-documented.

About 380,000 employees are furloughed while Trump and Congress try to end the shutdown that began at midnight Dec. 21. Another 420,000 employees considered essential were ordered to work without pay until the stalemate over the president's demand for \$5 billion for the border wall ends. The wall's total cost is estimated at anywhere from \$21 billion to \$70 billion.

The Senate on Dec. 21 voted unanimously to compensate furloughed federal workers "at the earliest date possible after the lapse in appropriations ends, regardless of scheduled pay dates." That's nice, but knowing you're going to get paid isn't nearly as satisfying as getting paid.

"The big thing is, it's already a very tough job," said Justin Tarovsky, a correctional officer at the federal penitentiary in Hazelton, West Virginia. "But when you know that you've got to go to work and you're not going to be paid for it — or it's going to be late, no matter what — it really brings you down."

As bad as this shutdown is, its odor becomes even more repugnant when you consider how close it came to being avoided. A spending agreement between Democrats and Republicans appeared imminent. Trump seemed inclined to approve it, and then changed his tune amid rebukes from his typically fervent supporters on talk radio and TV.

Rush Limbaugh said Trump was "getting ready to cave." Ann Coulter said if it didn't build the wall, the Trump administration would go down in history as "a joke presidency that scammed the American people."

Laura Ingraham suggested that building the border wall is more important than the Robert Mueller investigation. "Forget Mueller. The wall, the wall, the wall — has to be built," she said.

And just like that, any deal was thrown out the window and the shutdown ensued. It appears unlikely to end until the new year comes and Trump, having lost his Republican majority in the House, resigns himself to making a deal that he can claim as a victory. Maybe that sufficed as a way to run his businesses, but it's no way to lead a country.

Washington is broken, and Americans need leaders who can fix it.

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Calls to White House go unanswered

Calls to the White House switchboard during this Christmas holiday are greeted by the following message:

"We apologize, but due to the lapse in federal funding we are unable to take your call. Once funding has been restored, our operations will resume. Please call back at that time."

Click.

Is there a better distillation of the Trump administration after year two? You have reached the White House. We are not functioning. Please try again later.

"I am all alone (poor me) in the White House," President Trump tweeted at lunchtime Monday, urging Democrats to return to town to negotiate with him.

One pictures the home-alone president, forlorn among Melania Trump's red Christmas trees in the echoey executive mansion, padding about in bathrobe and slippers, a 72-year-old Kevin McCallister without the resourcefulness to ice the back steps or put ornaments under the windows.

Instead, Trump's booby traps ensnare the nation. His orders setting up chaotic withdrawals of U.S. forces from Syria and Afghanistan have allies reeling and adversaries rejoicing.

He forced a government shutdown over 1/10th of 1 percent of the budget — a spectacle that Republican Sen. Bob Corker (Tennessee) Sunday called "made up" and "juvenile." (Trump responded with a misspelled Twitter attack on Corker.)

Meanwhile, markets continued plunging, in part because of Trump's trade war and his attacks on the Federal Reserve.

And, across the federal government, nobody is minding the store.

Defense Secretary Jim Mattis has quit in protest, to be replaced by an acting secretary who until last year had no military or government experience.

Trump's special envoy coordinating the fight against the Islamic State, Brett McGurk, has quit in protest, and Trump says he doesn't know him.

Trump's treasury secretary, Steven Mnuchin, responded to the government shutdown and market chaos by flying to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, for a resort vacation. From there, Mnuchin tried to calm markets by convening his crisis "Plunge Protection Team" and calling U.S. bankers to gain assurances that they have "ample liquidity" — which only caused more market panic and another 650-point drop in the Dow Jones industrial average on Christmas Eve.

Not a creature is stirring in the rest of the Trump administration, either.

The attorney general was fired, and his acting replacement pitched hot tubs before joining the administration.

The secretary of the interior submitted his resignation this month.

The chief of staff at the White House is leaving, and the incoming acting chief, Mick Mulvaney, is

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also the budget director and former acting director of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

There are more actors in the Trump administration than there are actors waiting tables in Manhattan.

The president, for his part, put off a planned trip to Mar-a-Lago so that he can spend uninterrupted time in the White House blaming his few remaining appointees for his troubles. But this only seems to make things worse.

Denied the fairways, Trump on Monday used a golf simile in a tweeted attack on Federal Reserve Chairman Jerome H. Powell, a Trump appointee: "The Fed is like a powerful golfer who can't score because he has no touch — he can't putt!"

And Trump's blaming of Mnuchin for the market turmoil reportedly prompted Mnuchin's panic-inducing statement Sunday attempting to restore calm. At a time when investors had no reason to doubt the stability of U.S. banks, Mnuchin's liquidity reassurance was the equivalent of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention saying it is confident it can contain a previously unreported Ebola pandemic in the United States.

In the New York Times, Peter Baker and Maggie Haberman portray Trump descending into paranoia, suspicious his staff is secretly undermining him, and giving the "impression of a presidency at risk of spinning out of control." (Fake News! This presidency was never under control.)

Melania Trump has returned from Mar-a-Lago to keep her husband company, but she doubtless won't be happy about leaving the sunshine. With only Fox News and a Twitter account to occupy him beforehand, the president must have been growing desperate:

Siri, why can't the president fire the Fed chairman?

Alexa, who is Brett McGurk?

Hey Google, do I really need a Cabinet?

In the quiet old house, the president, with no advisers to turn to, calls the White House switchboard operator:

Would Laura Ingraham make a good chief of staff?

Who were successful one-term presidents?

Is impeachment bad?

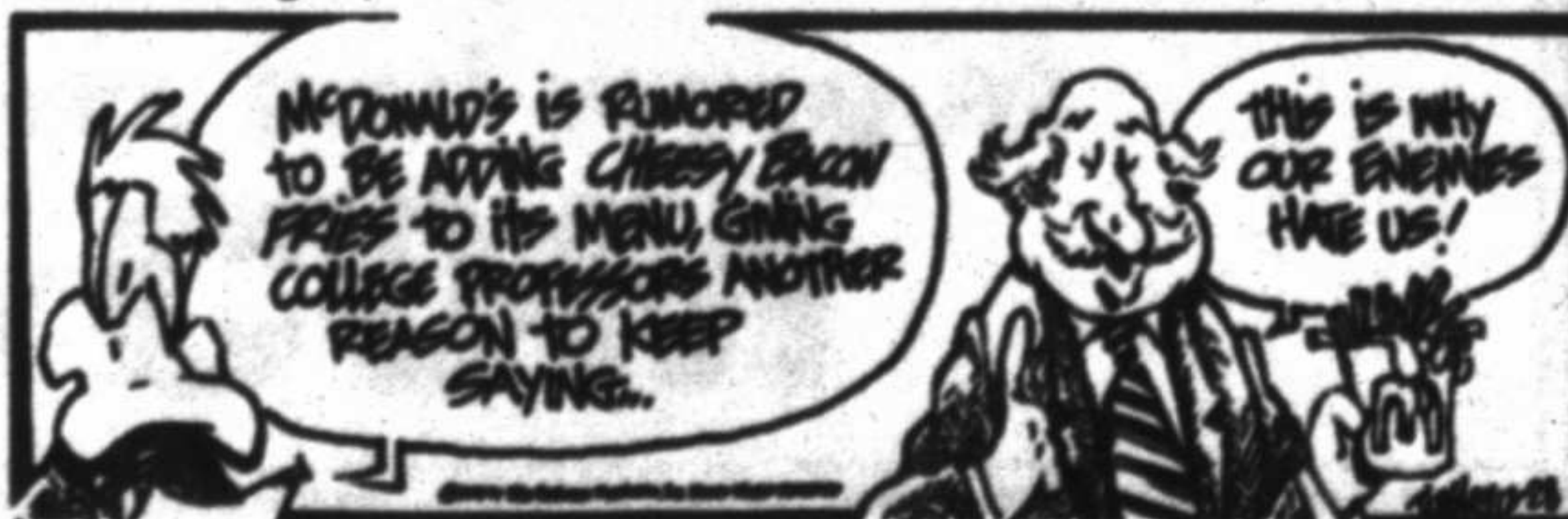
Who is the fairest of them all?

The reply: "We apologize, but due to the lapse in federal funding, we are unable to take your call."

From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



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Level
1 2
3 4

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, please visit sudoku.org.uk

Solution to Thursday's puzzle

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

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JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answers tomorrow

Yesterday's Jumbles: VOUCH ENACT MISHAP UNWIND
Answer: The TV anchorman didn't know he was about to be fired. It would soon be — NEWS TO HIM

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS

- 1 Caesar's fault
- 6 Big box office success, slangily
- 10 PC scroll key
- 14 Rental brand with a hyphen
- 15 Like the 1998 Pikachu illustrator card
- 16 Source of fizz
- 17 Stock up time?
- 19 Does sum work
- 20 Hebrew wishing well?
- 21 Shrimper's catcher
- 23 More than dream
- 25 Atlanta campus
- 26 Dreamt, perchance
- 29 Monument Valley features
- 31 Zero chance
- 33 Starfleet Acad. grad at the helm
- 38 Woman in the picture
- 39 Old dupe-time dances
- 40 Some religious sculptures
- 41 Limited state
- 42 Event with a horse
- 44 "How Do I Live" singer
- 45 Binary pronoun
- 49 Quit
- 51 "Unbelievable"
- 53 Hilly terrain features
- 57 Retreat
- 58 Negotiation-ending words
- 60 Hack
- 61 Hathaway of "Rachel Getting Married"
- 62 Willing offer
- 63 Not likely
- 64 Big name in little bricks
- 65 Permit

DOWN

- 1 Chicago's "North Siders"
- 2 "Don't think so"

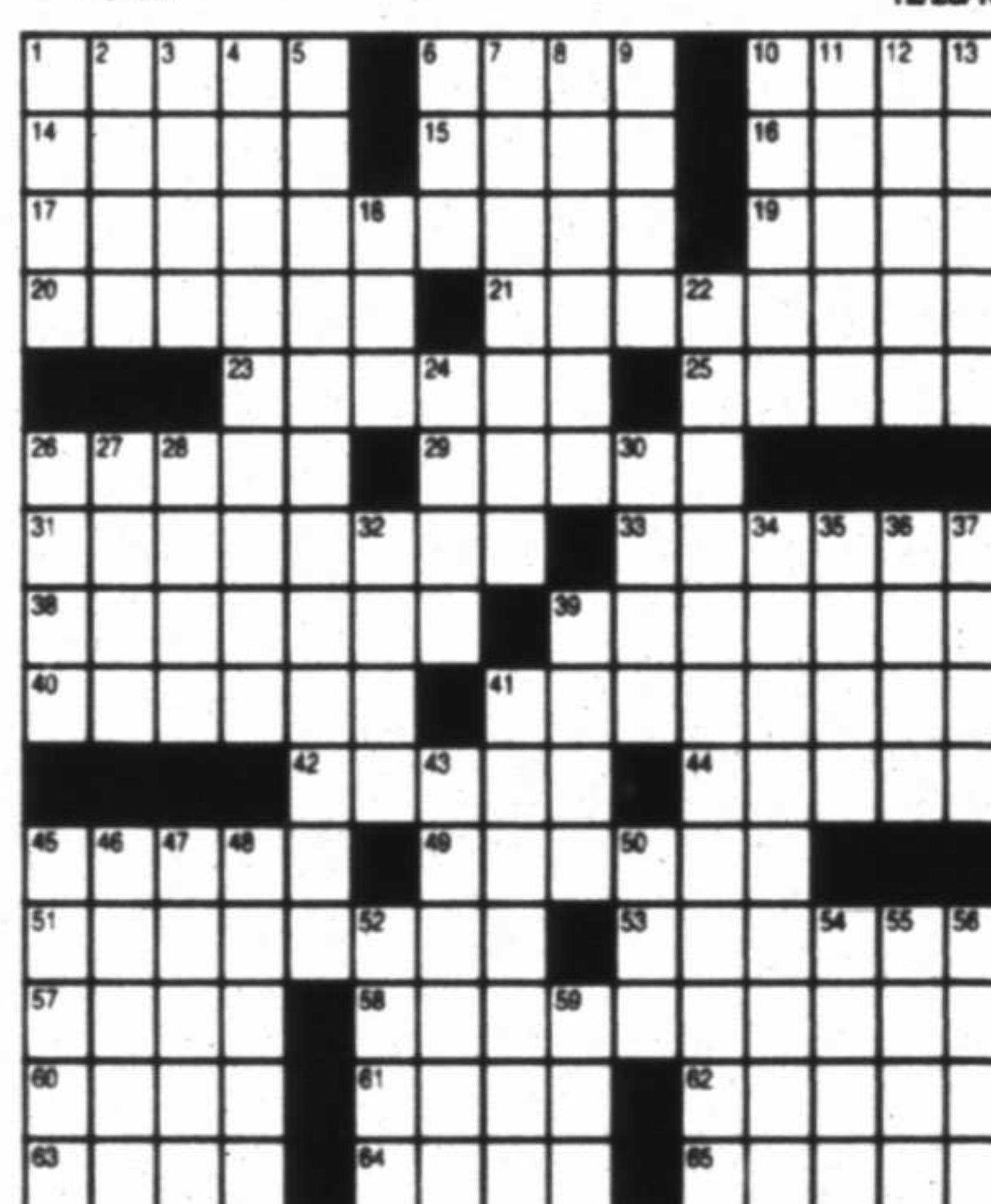
3 land

- 4 Separate
- 5 Like 22-Down, according to a song by John Denver (born 12/31/1943)
- 6 Cold reaction
- 7 Symbol of might
- 8 Familie members
- 9 Cheese served with kalamata olives
- 10 One of a Biblical 150
- 11 "What terrible news!"
- 12 Whence milk
- 13 Irish pub pie
- 18 Energize
- 22 See 5-Down
- 24 Provocative little ones
- 26 bean
- 27 Math points
- 28 Marion's conclusion
- 30 Actor Thicke on Canada's Walk of Fame
- 32 Mountain near Pelion
- 34 Ellington classic
- 35 Coined word?
- 36 News article intro
- 37 Avals oneself of
- 39 Drupe remains
- 41 Hardly turning oneself in
- 43 Polished
- 45 Roman septet
- 46 Much cashless commerce
- 47 Ursula K. Le Guin's genre
- 48 Polyamorous anime subgenre
- 50 Wrath
- 52 Pan name
- 54 Seaside soarer
- 55 "Too good not to share" breakfast brand
- 56 Take third
- 59 Speedwagon

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

PETER LEX KING
IRENIC UPI ODEA
PANDAS THINNEST
ETDS ASHE AGATE
ROE TOMMY
NSC PREP BUGS
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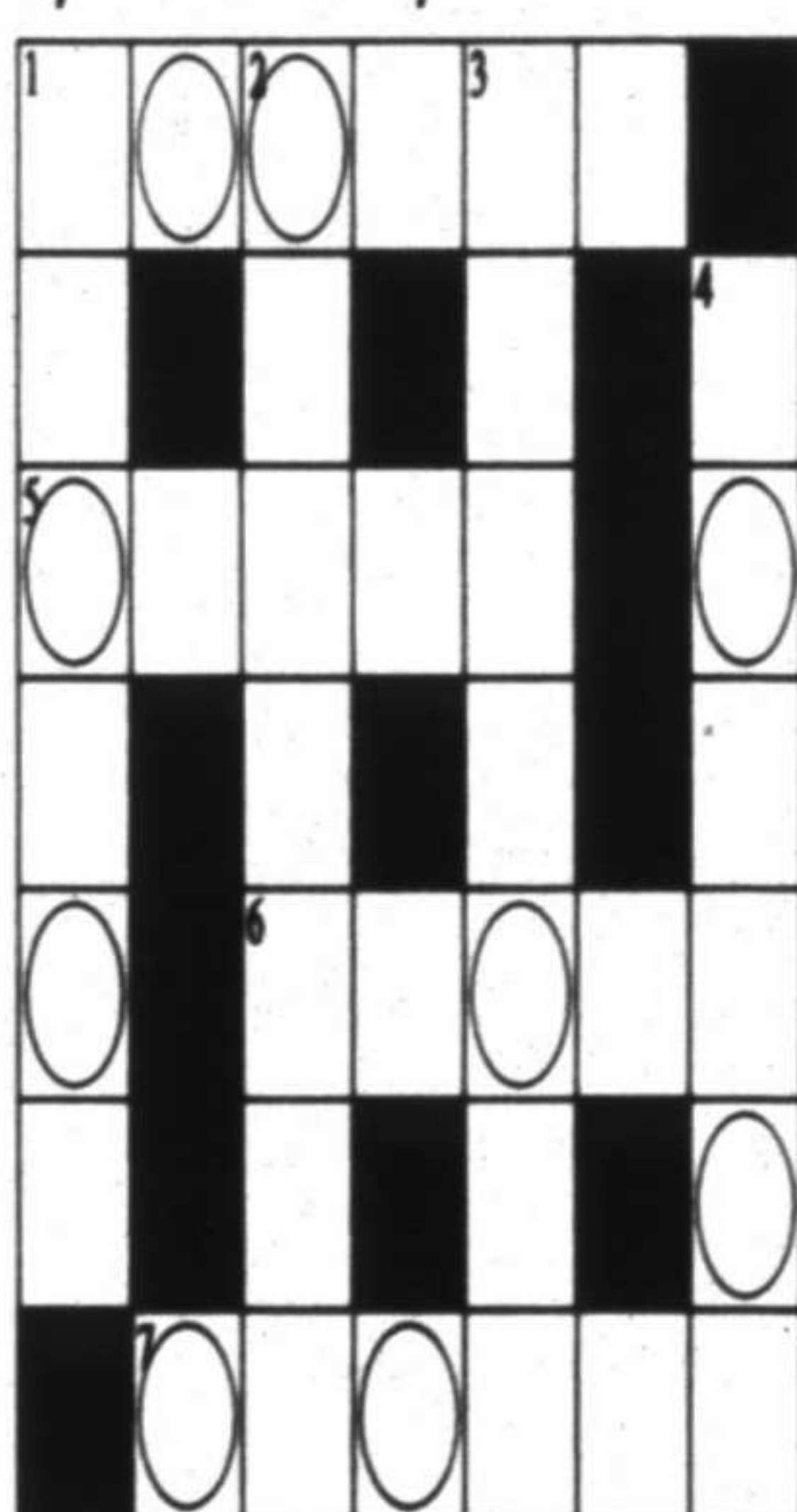


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- ACROSS**
- CLUE ANSWER
1. Hugo CROVIT
 5. shot AHCPA
 6. passages SNALA
 7. You, to these words DRERAE

- DOWN**
- CLUE ANSWER
1. Move out of CAEVAT
 2. Wash SNECELA
 3. Averse PSOEPD
 4. New Zealand ALDORL

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

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BONUS

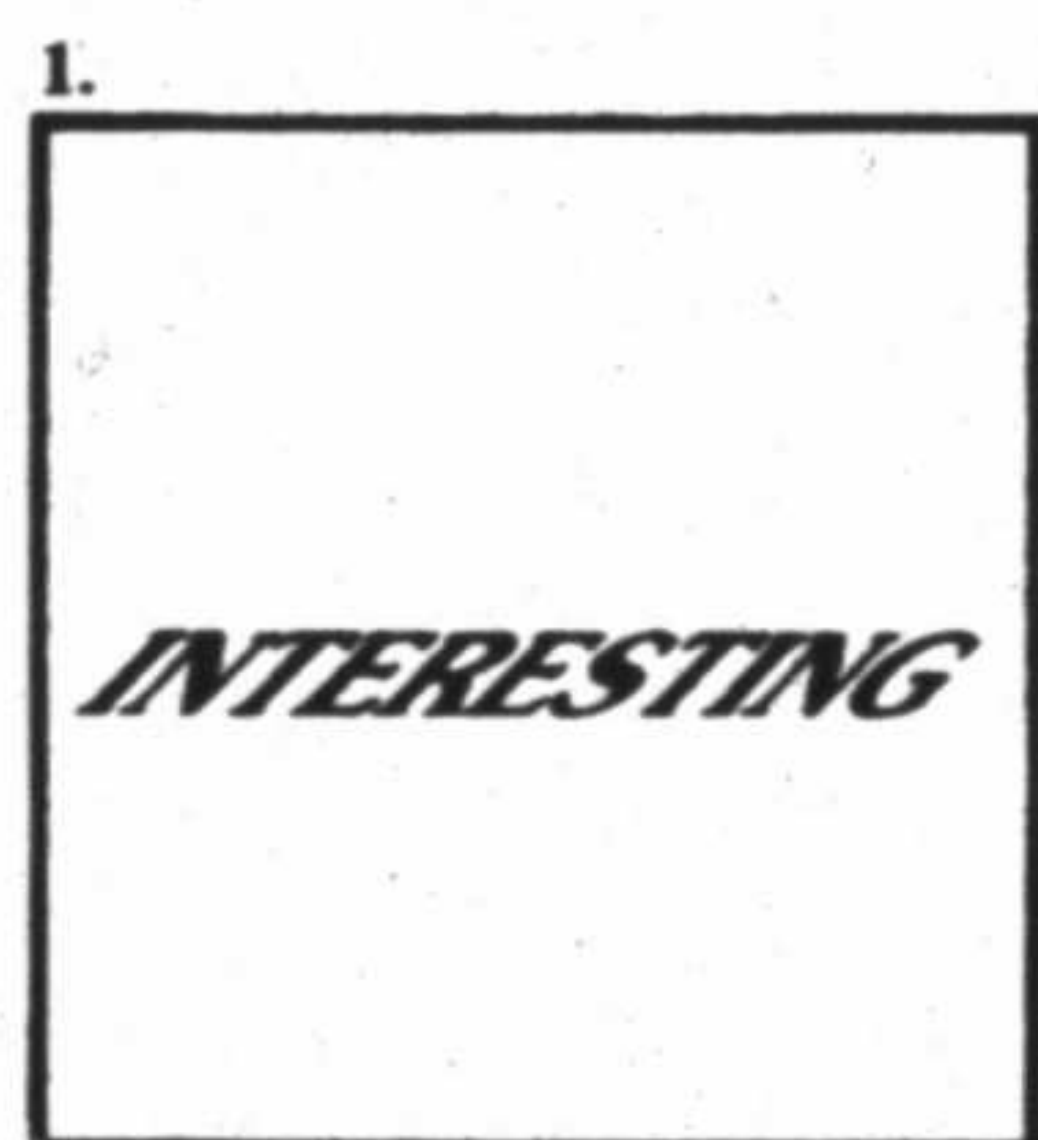
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Answers
2. Starfish
1. Interesting slant

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Deaths of police officers on duty on the rise

By Eric Tucker
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — More police officers have died in the line of duty this year in the United States than in 2017, according to data released Thursday. The most common cause of death was gunfire, and vehicular accidents claimed nearly as many officers' lives.

The National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund said in a report that 144 federal, state and local officers have died so far in 2018. That figure represents roughly a 12 percent increase from the 129 who died in 2017.

The majority of the officers who died were either shot — 52 this year, up from 46 in 2017 — or fatally injured in car or motorcycle crashes, which accounted for 50 deaths. Other fatalities involved heart attacks, strokes, drownings and cancer and other illnesses among those who responded to the 9/11 World Trade Center attack.

Of the officers who were shot, eight were killed during investigative activity and six were killed while responding to calls of a domestic or public disturbance, according to the report. Two were fatally shot while serving warrants, two died while handling or transporting prisoners

and two others were inadvertently shot by other officers.

Craig Floyd, the fund's chief executive officer, called the increase in deaths disappointing after a decline in 2017.

"Sadly this reminds us that public safety is a dangerous job and can come at a very steep price," Floyd said in a statement accompanying the report. "We must never take the service and sacrifice of law enforcement officers for granted, and we must remember the families of the fallen who are left behind."

Of the officers who died in traffic-related incidents, 32 were killed in crashes involving another vehicle and 14 were struck while outside their vehicle. An additional four were killed in motorcycle crashes.

The officers who died in 2018 include a sheriff's deputy in Sacramento County, California, killed in a shootout at an auto parts store; a Greensboro, North Carolina, police officer killed in a car crash while responding to a call for a robbery; and a Greene County, Missouri, sheriff's deputy who drowned when his car was swept away by rising water.

The states that experienced the highest number of officer fatalities were Texas, California, Florida and New York, with 11 fatalities each.



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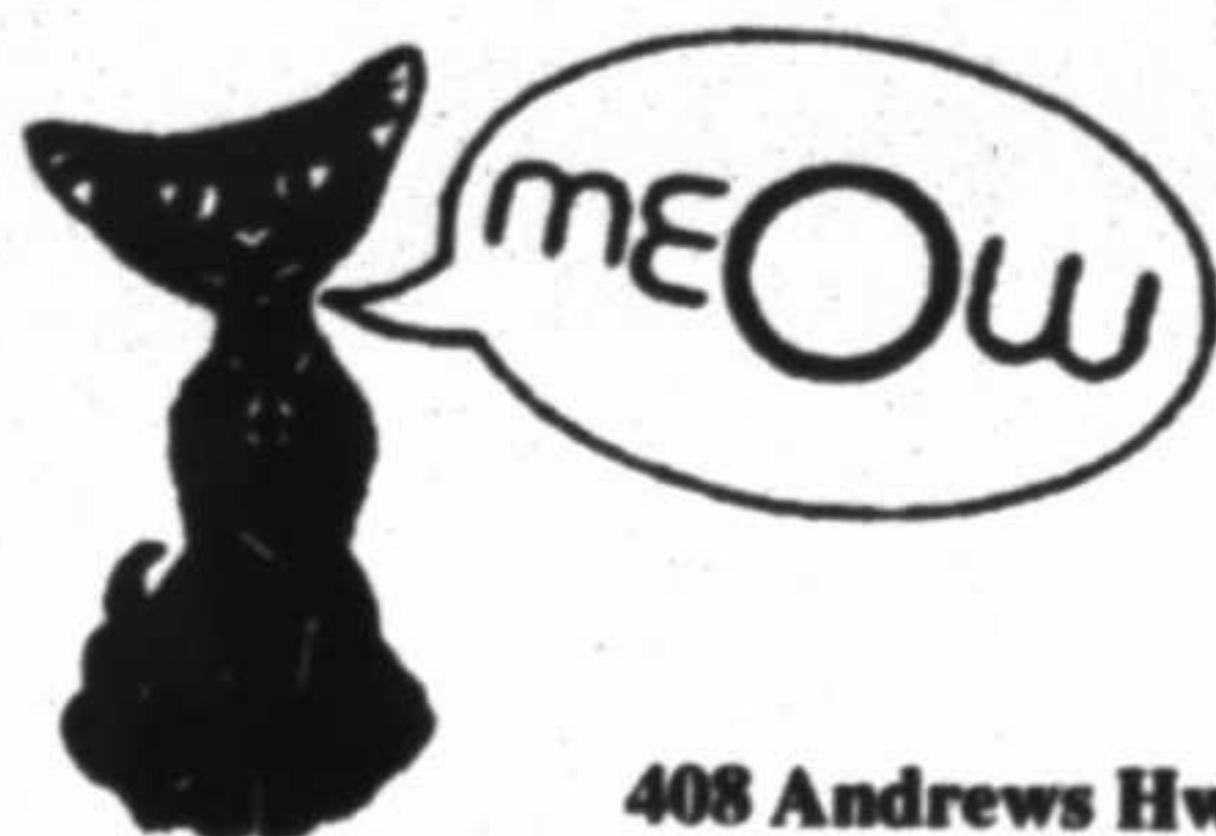
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MONDAY

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Celebracion de Fin de Año at Iglesia Emanuel. 8 p.m.

St. Luke's Youth Midland hosts a New Year Lock-in at St. Luke's UMC 10 p.m.

Trinity Rhema Church welcomes the new year with its 2019 Crossover Service. 10:30 p.m.



WEDNESDAY

TODDLER TALES

Baby Storytime features songs, stories, fingerplays and literacy play for children up to 2 years old at Centennial library. Space is limited so tickets are required for admission. 10:30 a.m.



GIRL ON SCREEN

The motivational author of "Girl, Wash Your Face" is featured in an encore screening of "Rachel Hollis presents Made for More" at Regal Tall City. The documentary looks at her journey to inspire others. 7:30 p.m.

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Midland Volunteer Connections offers an online list of opportunities at midlandvolunteerconnections.com for current needs by area nonprofits.

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West Texas Food Bank volunteers gather and pack items for distribution. The organization welcomes group, work and family teams of volunteers.

West Texas Food Bank director now serves as Feeding Texas chair

By Rich Lopez
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The West Texas Food Bank has had a year meeting challenges that ranged from Hurricane Harvey disaster relief to helping the growing needs of area seniors. Through it all, executive director Libby Campbell has led the charge. While still leading the local food bank, Campbell also will oversee all of Texas' food banks.



Campbell

She recently was named the chair of the Feeding Texas board, which works to create a network of the state's food banks.

Campbell discusses her new role and reflects on West Texas Food Bank's role over the past year.

by peers. To have their support means a lot — that they felt I could lead. It's a huge responsibility to be in this position with a great group of minds to think about what we can do better.

MRT: Better, regarding? **Campbell:** (It) has a lot to do with how to handle the network of food banks and how we handle a disaster situation as one. Twenty-four percent of all disasters happen here in Texas, and they are all here: hurricanes, floods, fire, droughts. So, especially after Hurricane Harvey, we look at how to manage that even better and what resources we need to grow.

MRT: Can you say what was learned immediately post-Harvey?

Campbell: It was an example of how we all could support six of our sister food banks and fighting to get them back online and up to par. It was amazing to watch the power of the network come together and step up to the disasters.

MRT: How else does Feeding Texas impact hunger in the state?

Campbell: First, we have three of the largest food banks in the country: Houston, San Antonio and North Texas. Feeding Texas affects policy and advocacy. We work with the Texas Department of Agriculture that produced a grant to help growers and rescue produce. We do a lot as a network us each other's strengths. I think that's the great thing about what we do.

MRT: On top of all that, how has West Texas Food Bank fared over 2018?

Campbell: This has been an amazing year for us. We've been at our Odessa location three years and our Midland location two years. So, we have these two little birthdays coming up (in January). But those two locations have truly made an impression on how we've made a difference. We went from 800,000 pounds to 1.2 million pounds to distribute through 19 counties.

MRT: That and you've also expanded some programming.

Campbell: Yes. We expanded our Food2Kids program for ages zero

to 18. We are in all the schools across the Permian Basin. And we also worked hard to get our Senior Box program kicked off on Oct. 1.

MRT: How did the economy affect needs?

Campbell: We went down in distribution because many people went back to work. That's a good thing. But then cost of living gets higher. So, we did a deep dive on what the community needs next. Our Senior Client Food Pantry averaged 60 to 80 seniors a month visiting. Now it's up to 238 using the service. Food is often cut first when it comes to bills or medicine.

MRT: What do you see as one of WTFB's secrets to handling those needs and the fluctuation of them?

Campbell: It's our thinking out of the box and being innovative about addressing them. We want to make sure our clients have healthy food. We want to provide education with cooking and nutrition classes. And we want to give support to parents and guardians. These help

improve the community, and we are always striving to do that.

MRT: Do the organization's needs change as the economy changes?

Campbell: The community's needs change, so yes. We have to turn quickly to deal with the changing face of hunger. It's something people don't want to admit. But we always work to provide support and service with dignity. Being that we cover 34,000 square miles, we need gas money. And of course, we couldn't do what we do without volunteers. They saved us a quarter million dollars last year, and those needs are still there as we are looking to be on track for 7 million pounds of food to distribute for 2019.

MRT: You were named in October as Feeding Texas chair, but have you already begun your tenure?

Campbell: Yes! But I'll be spending a lot of time in Austin starting January. And still work here to provide education and food to the community.

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**Bertine A. Sliger****Charles R. "Chuck" Emerson**

Bertine A. Sliger, loving mother and grandmother, went to be with the Lord on December 3, 2018, with her family at her side. She was born on a farm outside Stratford, Oklahoma, on November 8, 1924, to Calvin and Ora Lee Moore. She excelled in school in the midst of the Great Depression, graduating as valedictorian from Stratford High School. She then dedicated herself to aiding the war effort working at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City. At the same time, she entertained airmen on leave as a USO hostess, but only for one dance - she was waiting for her great love, Brizz Sliger, to return from his service as a Marine in the Pacific. After the war, they married and had three children, living in Oklahoma and New Mexico before settling in Midland in 1963. She had a long career as a civil servant at the Veterans Administration and IRS.

When her beloved Brizz died in 1983, her faith sustained her, as it would throughout her life. She devoted herself to being a wonderful mother, grandmother, friend, and dedicated member of Midland's Baptist community. She is survived by her daughter Janice Sliger of Midland, and her son Kris Sliger of Moscow, Russia, and his wife Natalia. She was preceded in death by her son Monte Sliger in 2015. She is also survived by her grandchildren, who will always miss going to their Mimi's house for treats, her thoughtful cards for every occasion, and her loving nicknames. Alexandra Thomas and husband Christian Bursat of South Bend, Indiana; Luke Thomas and wife Joan of Houston, Texas; and the newest addition, arriving when she was 90 years old, "Sugar Baby" Ekaterina Bertine Sliger.

Her family and all those who knew her take comfort in the fact that she has achieved what she long desired: to "get my pilot's license", as she often put it, and travel to be with her Savior. After years of limited mobility, how wonderful it is to imagine her say, in the words of her favorite hymn, "This robe of flesh I'll drop, and rise to seize the everlasting prize and shout while passing through the air 'Farewell, farewell, sweet hour of prayer'!"

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, December 29, 2018 at 2 p.m. at Fannin Terrace Baptist Church.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to MD Anderson Cancer Center or to the Wounded Warrior Project.

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

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**Charles R. "Chuck" Emerson**

Charles R. "Chuck" Emerson, 69, passed away Saturday, December 22, 2018 following a heart attack Wednesday prior.

Chuck is survived by his wife of 50 years, Sonja Emerson, his children and spouses, sons, Chris and Teresa Emerson, Cory and Leann Emerson, daughters, Carey and Roger Muniz and Caley and Alex Lumby, and 8 grandchildren, all of Midland.

Chuck was born in De Queen, AR and moved to Midland in 1956. He completed his BS degree at North Texas State University following 2 years of service in the US Army. He will be sorely missed as a loving and patient husband, father, grandfather and friend.

A memorial gathering for Chuck will be announced by the family at a later date. A memorial fund has been established in lieu of flowers, please contact a family member for details.

**Forrest Edward Taylor**

Forrest Edward Taylor was born in Midland, Texas March 30, 1965, the youngest of three children to Weldon Lee Taylor and Betty Lou Taylor. Forrest died peacefully, surrounded by family on December 23, 2018, on his father's birthday, his faith rewarded in heaven.

Forrest graduated from Midland High School in 1984. He attended Texas Tech University where he studied electrical engineering and business. Forrest came home to Midland where he was involved in the family real estate business for over thirty years. Forrest sold real estate, became a real estate appraiser, and property manager. Forrest loved to hunt, classic cars, the Dallas Cowboys and his Red Raiders. His great sense of humor and gentle spirit will be missed and his love can never be replaced. His impact on this world was far greater than he could have ever imagined.

Forrest is survived by his mother, Betty Taylor of Midland, sister, Cindy Harper and husband Jeff of San Angelo, brother, Perry Taylor and wife Anna of Midland, nephew, JD Harper and wife Ashley of San Angelo, and niece, Cristin and husband Bryan Brockman of Oklahoma City, and two great nephews, Jeffery and GW Harper of San Angelo. He is preceded in death by his father, Weldon Taylor.

A celebration service will be held at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory, 11:00 a.m., Saturday, December 29, 2018. A reception will follow at the Branch at npw at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory.

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

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**Isidro Jay Padilla**

Isidro Jay Padilla 49, passed away December 20, 2018. He was born in Albuquerque, New Mexico on July 31, 1969. To Isidro Padilla and the late Celia Reyes Padilla.

He was educated in Albuquerque New Mexico; he attended and graduated from Manzano High School, while in High School he participated in sports such as football, baseball, wrestling and track. After high school, he attended Highlands University where he was awarded a scholarship for football.

He moved to Midland TX, in 2011. He was currently working at Home Depot, great company and loving people.

Those who are left to cherish is memories is his father Isidro Padilla Sr, brother Ismael (Frankie) Padilla, and a nephew Brandon Joseph Padilla, all three from Albuquerque New Mexico.

He is preceded in death by his mother Celia Reyes Padilla and his sister Selma Arnujo Padilla.

Funeral Mass is set for Friday, December 28, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish & Shrine. Burial will follow at Serenity Memorial Garden.

Palbearers for the service will be Jaime Spencer, Sergio Cano, Louie Garcia, Stanley O'Neal, Jessie Costilla, Cruz Padilla, Fabian Juarez and Cres Padilla.

The family will like to give thanks for all the support and prayers, during this difficult time.

Funeral service is under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to lpipkin@nts-online.net or you can visit our website at www.lewallengarciapipkinfh.com

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**Joanna Cathryn Lewis Gassiot**

Joanna Cathryn Lewis Gassiot, 74, of Midland, Texas passed away on December 25, 2018. Services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on December 31, 2018 at First Baptist Church Chapel of Midland, Texas.

Born on January 3, 1944 in Fort Worth to John E. and Cathryn Lewis, Joanna was the first of three children raised in a Christian family that lived in Seymour, Henrietta, and finally Otton, Texas. In each of these cities Rev. Lewis served as minister in the local Baptist church where Joanna attended Sunday School and sang in the church choir.

Her talent for music led to studies at Baylor University and eventually Howard Payne University where she consistently made the dean's list. In 1966 she earned her Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education. During her graduation ceremony as Joanna received her diploma, university president Guy D. Newman paused the event to pronounce her, "one of the finest students ever to attend Howard Payne."

After college Joanna moved to Waco, TX where she taught school and was active in leadership roles in her church. During this time, through mutual friends, Joanna met Ralph Gassiot, a re-

cent Baylor graduate whom she fell in love with and married on December 27, 1968.

The couple moved to Midland where Ralph worked for State Farm Insurance. Joanna immersed herself in activities such as leading Sunday school at First Baptist and projects with the Junior Women's Club.

Joanna was a naturally gifted, warm, and inspiring teacher, completely invested in educating the whole student both heart and mind. Her students always knew that she cared deeply for them.

In 1985, Joanna began teaching first grade at the Childhood Development Center of First Baptist Church. Eight years later she took over as the center's director, a post she held for over twelve years.

In addition to accumulating titles such as teacher, PTA president, and school director, it was other jobs such as wife, mother, and grandmother that led to her deep, personal fulfillment. In May of 1972, they had the first of three children. Her children found her to be a most loving, encouraging and supportive parent. She cheered them on at countless games, concerts, and performances and was always ready to lend a listening ear and dispense truly meaningful advice at a moment's notice. When she became "Nana" with the birth of her first of nine grandchildren in 2005, Joanna transitioned to a new role she appeared destined to play. As a kind, loving, and supportive grandparent Joanna made sure that each of her nine grandchildren felt the depth of her love. She was immensely proud of all of them.

Finally, Joanna's entire life was inspired and motivated by her love of the Lord. Growing up in the Baptist church Joanna learned the importance of not living by scriptures alone, but through them. During her life Joanna was a teacher who showed those around her how to fiercely and deeply love the Lord, their family, and friends. In return she received that same love tenfold.

Joanna was preceded in death by her parents John and Cathryn Lewis and is survived by her husband of fifty years, Ralph Gassiot of Midland, her children Kyle Gassiot (Kathryn) of Montgomery, Alabama, Karri Sanders (Joe) of Midland, and Kristin Wagner (Greg) of Wylie, Texas, and grandchildren Ruth, Duncan, Mary Alice, Dulcie, Crispin, and Kai Sanders of Midland and Grace, Wyatt, and Elizabeth Wagner of Wylie. Joanna is also survived by sister Elaine Holliman of Rockdale, Texas and brother John E. Lewis (Sunny) of Spring, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the childhood education fund of the First Baptist Church of Midland, TX. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences at npwelch.com.

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**Joe Cates Joe**

Joe Cates Joe was born on March 9th 1943. At 17, Joe met the love of his life, Janice. They were married in 1962 and later had two daughters, Tamara and Carmon. Like his father before him, Joe made a living pulling oil out of the ground and retired after 50 years of working in the oil field. Joe was good at what he did, but what he truly enjoyed was his time with his family. Joe passed away at his home in Round Rock, TX on December 20th 2018, surrounded by family. Joe is preceded in death by his wife Janice, his sister Mary, his brother Dale, and his granddaughter Bailey. Joe is survived by his sister Sandra, his daughters Tamara and Carmon, his

grandchildren Taber, Katelyn and Braden and his great grandchildren Morgan and Jack.

Visitation will be held on Friday, December 28, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Ellis Funeral Home 801 Andrews Highway, Midland, Texas. Graveside Service will be held on Saturday, December 29, 2018 at 9:30 a.m. at Resthaven Memorial Park 4616 N. Big Springs Midland, Texas with Dr. Jimmy Braswell officiating.

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**Ruben Ray Closs**

September 9th 2006 to December 21st 2018

Ruben came into the world on the night of September 9th, ensuring that the Closs kids would have a matching set of birthdays. He was born in Katy, Texas to Tara (Graham) Closs and Aaron Closs, joining older siblings Kayla, Oran, and Micah.

Ruben's early years were spent living in Katy with his family and attending Redeemer Community Church. He enjoyed playing with friends and neighbors. To Ruben everyone was a friend, never considering a new person as a stranger. Instead he was willing to talk for hours with someone whom he had just met. Everyone he contacted remembered the bright-eyed young man who would come by to visit and bring a big smile with him every time. He started online school while in Katy. In May of 2013, Ruben moved with his siblings and mother to Midland, Texas. While in Midland, he lived closer to many of his cousins and got to know them much better. He joined cub scouts and made new friends at Emmerson Elementary and Midland Bible Church. His favorite event for cub scouts was the pine car derby, where he built and decorated small wooden cars to race. At church, he participated wholeheartedly in Awana's, Sunday School, and Vacation Bible School, waiting for the exciting day he could join the youth group and be allowed to eat their Sunday donuts.

In 5th grade, he transferred to Bunche Elementary. In 6th was able to join Orchestra and was working hard to learn the Cello. Having just played his first concert on December 4th he was thrilled to have both his parents there to enjoy the music and watch he and his brothers play. He enjoyed the opportunity to be moved up into the boy scout troop with his big brothers and being able to go to all the scout outings, following in Oran's footsteps and going to lots of scout camps. This past summer, he got the chance to visit Australia where the highlights of his time included a chance to go the Crocodile Hunter's Zoo and playing in the waves of the ocean. During his recent trip to Great Wolf Lodge, Ruben welded his wand to fight the dragon with his mother, played in the pool with his siblings, and flew down the water slides with the goofy grin so often plastered on his face.

Ruben's free time was mostly spent with his cousins and brothers in Midland. Whether he was watching YouTube, playing video games, or having nerf wars there was always fun to be had. He worked hard to have good grades with the hope of being able to go to Early College High School like his big sister and possibly become a Geologist like his dad. Ruben hugged everyone he met, bear hugged those he loved, and always gave extra hugs and cuddles to his beloved mother. He cherished the nightly prayers he shared with his mom, calling her daily whenever he was away. Ruben's loving and radiant personality brightened any room.

On December 22nd, 2018, Ruben went to be with the

Lord. He joins his grandfather Alan Graham, and all his great grandparents. He leaves behind sister Kayla, brothers Oran and Micah, mother Tara Closs of Midland Texas and father Aaron Closs of Sealy Texas. He is survived by his grandparents Vernon and Kathryn Closs of Springfield, Colorado and Lisa Graham of Midland Texas, 7 Aunts and 7 Uncles, 27 cousins and numerous other relatives and friends.

Visitation will be at Midland Bible Church, 5900 Whitman Drive on Thursday December 27th from 6:00 - 8:00pm. Services will also be at Midland Bible Church, Friday December 28th at 11:00am, with burial to follow at American Heritage Cemetery, FM 1788, Midland, TX at 2:00pm.

Contributions may be made to Boy Scout Troop 175 in Midland or the family requests that you bring a wrapped Christmas present to the Church in lieu of flowers.

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**Tommy Odell "T.O." Ryan**

Tommy Odell "T.O." Ryan passed away Friday, December 21, 2018. Family and friends will gather to celebrate his life of 69 years at 2 p.m. on Saturday, December 29, 2018, followed by a reception at Lake Ridge Chapel. A tribute to Tommy Odell Ryan's life may be found at www.memorialdesigners.net, where view a broadcast of his service and leave memories and expressions of sympathy for his family.

Tommy Odell Ryan was born on July 27, 1949, to Smiles and Willie Johnson Ryan in Abilene, TX. Tommy married Eva Joener Ryan on June 26, 1972, in Lawton, Oklahoma.

Tommy worked for Halliburton for 38 years, then retired for a good 3 weeks before deciding to stay in the business and go to work for Crest (nine) until his passing. Tommy was one of the hardest working people that a person would ever meet but aside all of the work he was constantly doing, he always made time for his greatest love, which was his family. Tommy loved spending time with his beautiful wife and especially enjoyed a recent trip they took together. His children and grandchildren were the joys of his life which he bragged to others continuously. Along with the love he shared for his family and friends, those who knew Tommy could easily say that he was also one of the most giving, even to people he didn't know.

Survivors include his wife, Eva Ryan, children, Tina Annette Bittmann and husband, Felix, John Thomas Ryan and wife, Amanda, grandchildren, Hannah Christian Burns, Ashton Brady and Braylee Jade Ryan, sister, Rita Chastain Billings and husband, Bill.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Smiles and Willie Faye Ryan, and brother, Robert Vance Ryan. Heartfelt thanks to the medical staff at Covenant CICU 6th floor for the compassionate and professional care.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital or Toys for Tots which was Tommy's preferred charitable organizations.

Death Notices

Robert Henry Cramer Bradshaw

Robert Henry Cramer Bradshaw, 69, of Midland, Texas passed away Wednesday, December 26, 2018 in Midland. Funeral service will be 10:00 a.m. Monday, December 31, 2018 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home Chapel. Private burial will take place at a later time.

CALENDAR

DEC. 28-JAN. 3

Because of the holidays, some recurring events may be canceled.

TODAY

CODA Group: 12-step program for relationships. 7 p.m. (also on Sunday) at Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road. 599-4490.

SATURDAY

Free Yoga. Open class; bring a mat. 9 a.m. at Unitarian Universalist Church of Midland, 3301 Neely Ave. Free.

SUNDAY

Soul Surfers Youth Bible study. 9:30 a.m. at Alamo Heights Baptist Church, 1305 N. Midland Drive.

MONDAY

Odessa Optimist Club is a group dedicated to recognizing youth in the community. Noon at the Zant Community Room at Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd.

Gentle Healing Yoga. This weekly yoga camp is open to all survivors of cancer. Led by Anne

Lucero. 5:30 p.m. at Yoga Sanctuary, 4202 Dawn Circle. Free. 575-937-3609.

Celebracion de Fin de Año. 8 p.m. at Iglesia Emanuel, 1800 Cherry Lane.

New Year Lock-in hosted by St. Luke's Youth Midland. 10 p.m. at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3011 W. Kansas Ave. \$5. Stlukesumcmidland.org.

2019 Crossover Service. 10:30 p.m. at Trinity Rhema Church, 21010 W. Missouri Ave.

TUESDAY

Bethel Prayer Bowl, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, 410 S. Calhoun St.

Permian Basin Buddhists meet with a free discussion group and meditation basics. 7 p.m. at Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely Ave. meetup.com/Permian-Basin-Buddhists.

The 12-Step Group, 7

p.m. (also Saturday) at Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road. 553-7220.

WEDNESDAY

Baby Storytime features songs, stories, finger-plays and literacy play for children up to 2 years old. Space is limited so tickets are required for admission. 10:30 a.m. (also Thursday) at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

THURSDAY

Brothers in Christ is a weekly men's group with studies that range from the Bible to topical issues. 6:30 a.m. at Midland Bible Church, 5900 Whitman Drive. midlandbible.org.

La Hacienda Alumni: Support group for former patients and guests. 7 p.m. at Christ Church Anglican, 5501 N. Midkiff Road. 553-7220.

To include your event on this calendar, please email Rich Lopez at rlopez@mtm.com.

Individuals look to deliver faith, food to others

By Kelsie Lerose
The Journal

MARTINSBURG, W.Va. — In the past three weeks, 75 meals have been given away to individuals needing them in Martinsburg. "Faith Feeding Freedom," started by Toni Wiesberg, will be feeding the homeless, elderly and low income individuals at The Martinsburg Library at 11:30 a.m. every Friday.

Wiesberg, who has a strong passion for helping others, encourages individuals to come out to the library to help.

"If you know someone who is low income or just does not have the means for lunch, we are here and we will gladly give it to them," she said. "If you need prayer, we are here for that as well."

Two years ago, Wiesberg said she was helping to look for a missing young woman in Hagerstown, Maryland, when she saw a crowd gathering and decided to see what was going on.

"It's a Blessing to be a Blessing" was feeding the homeless on the streets," she said. "I was so inspired by what she did, I left her a donation and then I text her about what she needed for next week. I was with her for a year and a half, and then in November it was time for me to take a little step out and come to Martinsburg."

Cheryl Seifert, Pastor Cindy Wilson and

Sue Edwards help Wiesberg every Friday. The ladies are also with One Tree Ministries in Hedgesville.

"We are here to help and support Toni's dream and vision," Wilson said. Wiesberg said she hopes "Faith Feeding Freedom" will soon be registered as a nonprofit.

"Faith feeding freedom. To me it means that I have the faith to step out, that we are feeding the needy and the homeless and then I hope that it gives them the ability to know there is freedom here in the United States," Wiesberg said. "They can break away from whatever it is that they are dealing with."

The lunches are either donated or prepared by the ladies. Wiesberg said individuals unable to prepare 25 meals can give donations of money, food, toiletries, backpacks, jackets, scarves, hats, gloves, sleeping bags, blankets, etc.

Wiesberg thanked all who have donated so far including Hope with The Haircut Place, who donated six free haircuts and Bombas, which has donated socks.

"(Bombas) said many of times the homeless has told (them) that is the most important things because their feet get so cold," Wiesberg said. "They are a company that if you buy a pair of socks, they donate a pair of socks to the needy."

Wiesberg said she can pick-up donations. If interested in donating, email twiesberg@gmail.com.

Female Mormon missionaries given option to wear dress slacks

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Female missionaries with The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints worldwide now have the option to wear dress slacks, the church announced Thursday.

Members of the Missionary Executive Council said the change takes effect immediately and is primarily motivated by safety concerns. Women in roughly half of the church's 407 missions have previously been wearing dress slacks during

the wet seasons to help protect them from mosquito-borne viral diseases.

"There are a lot of vector-borne diseases because of mosquitoes and ticks and fleas," said Sister Bonnie H. Cordon, Young Women general president and Missionary Executive Council member. "This helps the sisters to prevent any of those bites or at least minimizes them."

She said the change will help women who serve in cold climates to stay warm and wearing dress slacks also will make it easier for

them to ride bicycles. They can wear slacks year-round if they choose, the church said.

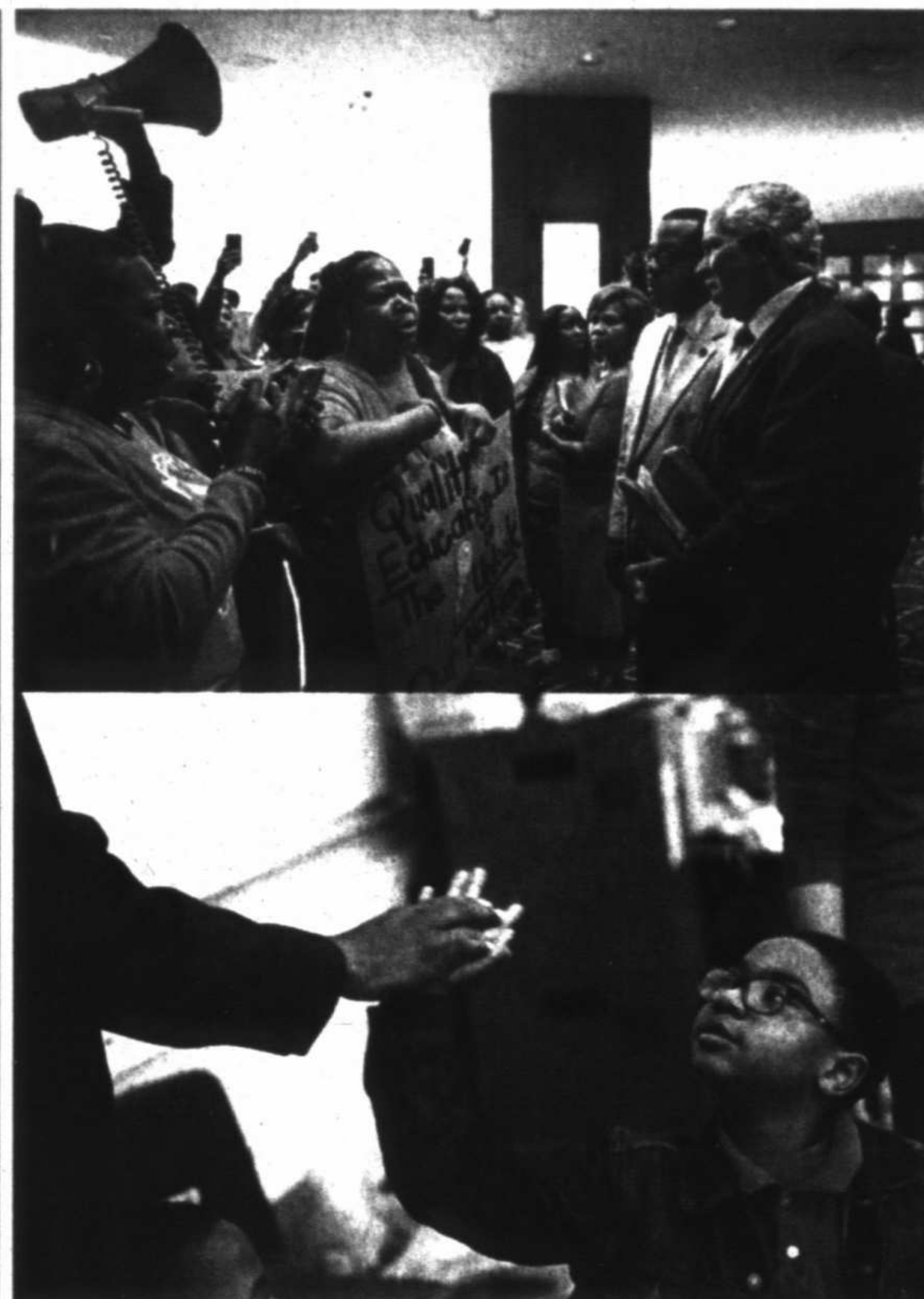
"This is truly optional," Cordon said. "The sisters can wear dresses, they can wear slacks, whatever will help them in their service as they're out amongst the people."

Female missionaries will continue to wear skirts and dresses when attending the temple and during Sunday worship services, mission leadership and zone conferences, and baptismal services.

Don Manley's Memorial will be on January 19 time pending as per Don's request to wait til after the holidays.

Don's wish was to be cremated and all wishes will be carried out. Judy Manley his wife will not be in attendance this Friday the 28th of December due to not being invited by his children. Don and Judy had 11 yrs of marriage together even in the denial of his children and had a lot of wonderful memories up until his last breath. There will be a posting as soon as all details are final.

Thank you Judy Manley



Photos by Associated Press

ABOVE: This Oct. 15, 2016 photo shows parents and grandparents from Memphis Lift speaking to Hilary Shelton, the Director to the NAACP's Washington Bureau and Senior Vice President for Advocacy and Policy, during the national NAACP board meeting in downtown Cincinnati. BELOW: In this Dec. 18, 2018 photo, second grader Maleki Ratliff high-fives Jamar McKneely, chief executive officer of InspireNOLA Charter Schools, at Alice M. Harte Charter School in New Orleans. Charter schools, which are publicly funded and privately operated, are often located in urban areas with large black populations, intended as alternatives to struggling city schools.

Walmart heirs' money influences black charter schools debate

By Sally Ho
Associated Press

Amid fierce debate over whether charter schools are good for black students, the heirs to the Walmart company fortune have been working to make inroads with advocates and influential leaders in the black community.

The Walton family, as one of the leading supporters of America's charter school movement, is spreading its financial support to prominent and like-minded black leaders, from grassroots groups focused on education to mainstream national organizations such as the United Negro College Fund and Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, according to an Associated Press analysis of tax filings and nonprofit grants data.

"Those closest to the challenge often have the best solution," Marc Sternberg, who leads the Walton Family Foundation's education efforts, said in a prepared statement.

Charter schools, which are publicly funded and privately operated, are often located in urban areas with large black populations, intended as alternatives to struggling city schools. Black enrollment in charters has doubled over the course of a decade, to more than 760,000 students as of 2015-16, according to the latest federal data, but the rise also has been marked by concerns about racial segregation, inconsistent student outcomes, and the hollowing-out of neighborhood public schools.

While some black leaders see charters as a safer, better alternative in their communities, a deep rift of opinion was exposed by a 2016 call for a moratorium on charters by the NAACP, a longtime skeptic that expressed concerns about school privatization, transparency and accountability issues. The Black Lives Matter movement is also among those that have demanded charter school growth be curbed.

When NAACP leaders gathered to discuss charters in 2016, a group of demonstrators led the Cincinnati hotel to complain to police that they were trespassing. The three buses that brought the 150 black parents from Tennessee on the 14-hour road trip were provided by The Memphis Lift, an advocacy group that has received \$1.5 million from the Walton

foundation since 2015.

Deidra Brooks, chief of staff for The Memphis Lift, said they were not asked by Walton to carry out the protest and declined to say how much of their budget came from the foundation. The startup advocacy group seeded by Walton money also provides parents school choice counseling and advocacy training.

Like U.S. Education Secretary Betsy DeVos, Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates and many other deep-pocketed billionaire philanthropists, the Walmart heirs — one of America's richest families — embrace charter schools and education reform as an avenue to help the neediest. The Walton foundation is in the midst of a \$1 billion pledge dedicated largely to expanding charters, which they see as investments to find better ways to educate those who struggle in traditional school systems.

Andre Perry, an education policy expert at the Brookings Institution, said the Walton foundation's reliance on black faces to makes its case for charters suggests that they're exploiting black people for a "white agenda."

"It's a sad thing that education reform is about how much money you have and not about what connection you have with black communities," Perry said.

Much of the \$9 million granted to the United Negro College Fund has been spent on the scholarship organization's fellowship program for students interested in education reform. Likewise, the foundation gave \$170,000 in recent years to the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation for its events, while the Waltons are also giving \$530,000 to sponsor an affiliated education policy advocacy and campaign training workshop.

Walton money totals nearly \$2 million to the 100 Black Men of America campaign and \$7.3 million to the National Urban League. Both groups have strong ties to charter schools on the ground. The Waltons have given small amounts to other kinds of black community groups, as well, including the New England Blacks in Philanthropy organization, the Association of Black Foundation Executives and the National Black Child Development Institute.

And this year, the foundation sponsored a luncheon at a Detroit

conference for the National Association of Black Journalists, which was advertised as "The Importance of Educating our Black Children" and primarily featured Walton's pro-charter grantees as panel speakers.

"Of course we've seen push back from people in general, but that goes with privatization. The forces of privatization are powerful and have friends in all sorts of places," said Victor Goode, the NAACP's education director.

After the NAACP proposed the moratorium, Walton money had a hand in the highly publicized debate that followed. The National Alliance for Public Charter Schools, an advocacy group that has received more than \$16 million from Walton, organized a campaign that urged the NAACP to reconsider, including a letter signed by more than 160 black education leaders.

Among them was prominent charter advocate Howard Fuller, a former Milwaukee schools superintendent. The Waltons gave \$17 million to his now-defunct advocacy group, the Black Alliance for Educational Options.

Another outspoken critic of the moratorium idea, Chris Stewart, leads the Wayfinder Foundation, an advocacy group that has received nearly \$2 million from Walton. He's suggested that the country's oldest civil rights group was in the pocket of teacher union interests, an issue he pushed using the #FreeTheNAACP hashtag online.

"In any city, if you're advocating for charters, you are out of your depth. There's no way you are going to match the number of foot soldiers who are going to support an anti-charter narrative," Stewart said of the public teacher unions who stand to lose with non-unionized schools.

Sternberg of the Walton foundation said any aggressive acts of advocacy its grantees take in the debate are rooted in the impatience over a century of educational inequity for blacks. The foundation also points to \$120,000 in grants it has given to the NAACP in the past two years for event sponsorship, and its support of other black civil rights groups over the past 25 years.

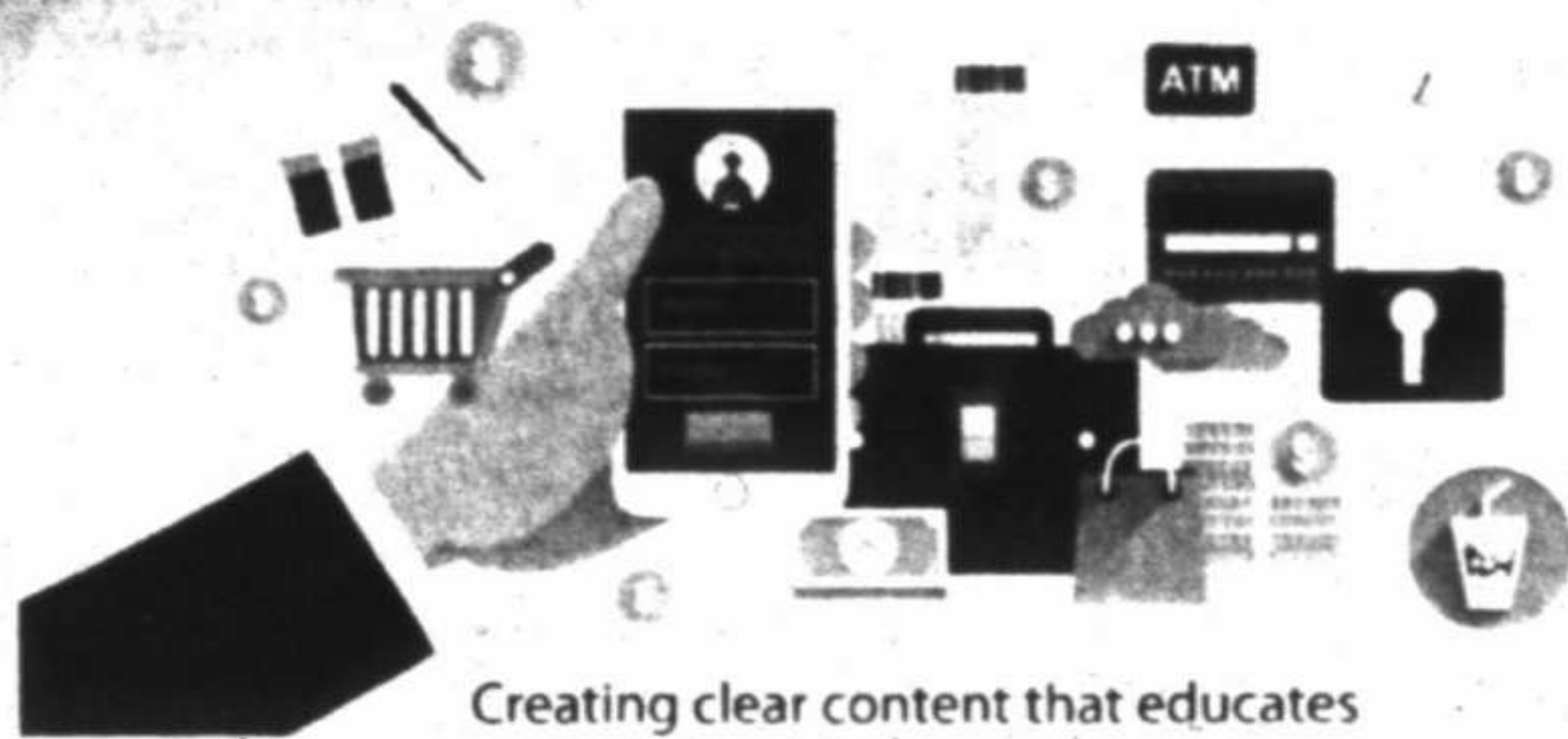
"This is not our agenda," Sternberg said. "This is way bigger than us."



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Rushing leader Elliott wants in vs Giants

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

FRISCO — Ezekiel Elliott insists he's playing and has no hesitation saying the NFL rushing title is on his mind with the Dallas Cowboys locked into the fourth playoff seed as NFC East champions going into their regular-season finale at the New York Giants.

If the league rushing leader does play, it won't be because coach Jason Garrett wants him to hold off Todd Gurley of the Los Angeles Rams and rookie Saquon Barkley, who will be on the opposing sideline with the Giants (5-10) on Sunday.

"We don't talk very much about individual statistics for any of our players," Garrett said. "What we're trying to do is prepare the right way and play

the right way each week to make our team the best it could be. And that's really where our sole focus is."

With 1,434 yards rushing, Elliott is 183 ahead of Gurley, who could miss the game against San Francisco with a minor knee injury as the Rams try to secure a first-round bye along with top-seeded New Orleans.

Barkley trails by 236 yards, so even if Elliott doesn't play, it would take a huge game from one of the two behind him to keep the former Ohio State star from winning his second rushing title in three years.

Elliott led the NFL as a rookie with 1,631 yards in 2016, and had the highest yards-per-game average last season when he served a six-game suspension for domestic violence allegations.

The 2016 All-Pro said it's easier to

consider individual honors with the focus already shifting to the playoffs before a Week 17 game with nothing on the line.

He just doesn't want anyone mistaking that honesty for him being comfortable with the subject matter.

"I don't really like talking about these other little things," Elliott said. "I think we all know what the big goal in mind is, and I think that's what's most important. I think that's what should be talked about."

Elliott is on the verge of joining Earl Campbell, Eric Dickerson, Emmitt Smith and Edgerrin James as backs to win at least two rushing titles in their first three seasons since the 1970 merger.

Please see ELLIOTT/2C



Roger Steinman/AP

Dallas Cowboys running back Ezekiel Elliott (21) attempts to evade a tackle by Tampa Bay Buccaneers safety Jordan Whitehead (31) after Elliott caught a pass in the first half Sunday in Arlington.

Running out of time



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Lee High's Tre Hubert drives around El Paso Pebble Hills' Josh Luevano on Thursday during a game at Chaparral Center in the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic.

Pebble Hills holds off Lee for OT victory

By Christopher Hadorn
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Thanks to the late heroics of the Lee boys basketball team, the fans at Chaparral Center were treated to a thriller Thursday afternoon.

El Paso Pebble Hills held off a spirited rally by the Rebels to win 66-65 in overtime in Pool B play at the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic. It might have been easy to write off Lee after it was set back by poor passing and missed layups during a lackluster first half as it trailed 31-16 at

intermission.

But the Rebels showed plenty of fight, as Shemar Davis scored 11 of his 16 points in the fourth quarter to send the contest into overtime, tied at 59. In the final seconds of overtime, Lee's Brian Levya grabbed a rebound off a missed Spartan free throw and passed the ball down court to Davis, who missed the would-be game winner on a drive to the basket.

Despite the shortcoming, the Rebels (4-13) believe they are heading in the right direction.

"The difference how we were three

weeks ago and how we are now is completely different," Lee head coach Doug Gordon said.

However, the Rebels had to believe they let this one get away too.

With Lee leading 59-56 with four seconds left, the Rebels fouled Spartans guard Charles Jones III on a 3-point shot. Jones sank all three free throws to tie the game at 59. Jones led all scorers with 21 points, which included a 3-pointer in overtime.

"We've got to be smarter at the end,"

Please see LEE/3C

Plainview too tough for MCA in tourney opener

By Christopher Hadorn
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Like all participants, the Midland Classical girls basketball team had high hopes entering Thursday's opening session of the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic.

It didn't take long for the No. 3-ranked Lady Knights to realize that they have some post-Christmas kinks to work out on the hardwood. Defending tournament champion Plainview drained seven first-half 3-pointers and capitalized off early turnovers to roll past Midland Classical, 71-46, in Pool B play at Chaparral Center.

The Lady Knights (9-3) struggled to get in a rhythm against the Lady Bulldogs' trap defense and press, as forward Jaclynn Black notched five steals for Plainview.

MCA point guard Leia Beattie shined in a losing cause, scoring a game-high 21 points to go along with eight rebounds, five assists and a steal. But Beattie and the Lady Knights couldn't keep up with the Lady Bulldogs' offense, which started the game with four 3s to take a 12-4 lead. Plainview (12-6) also showed diversity in its offensive attack, gashing MCA on the backside with layups. The Lady Bulldogs led MCA, 46-23, at halftime.

"I think a team like Plainview has the ability to sort of take you out of the game and that's what they did to us," Lady Knights head coach Carla Cunneen said. "They play a lot of people. They play hard. They are well coached and disciplined. They certainly had us scouted."

"We are out of shape. We've got a lot to work on and that's on me. But I think they are a really good, seasoned basketball team. We will be OK. We will come around. We only have 12 games under our belt. We're only going to get better. We will look to come back (Friday) with more energy and more confidence."

Plainview had four players score in double figures, as Black and Kylie Bennett each had 13 points, Jesse Long provided 12 points and Olivia Shannon added 11 points.

Please see MCA/3C



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Plainview's Taylor Stevenson drives the lane as Midland Classical's Jenny Coco tries to block her Thursday in a matchup at the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic at Chaparral Center.

LeBron James is the AP's male athlete of 2018

By Tim Reynolds
Associated Press

LeBron James went to the NBA Finals for the eighth consecutive year. He changed addresses again, leaving his Cleveland home for the second time to join the Los Angeles Lakers in the biggest move of free agency over the summer. He remained arguably the dominant player in the basketball, adding even more glitz on a legacy that reached epic status long ago.

It was, by any measure, a fantastic year for James.

And even without a title, it may have

been his most significant year.

For the third time, James has been selected as The Associated Press Male Athlete of the Year — after 2018 saw him continue to excel on the court, open the "I Promise" school for at-risk children in his hometown of Akron, Ohio, and further use his voice as an activist who bristled at being told to "shut up and dribble."

"I would describe it as a success because I was able to inspire so

many people throughout the year," James said. "I got to go back to China, to Paris, to Berlin, I opened up a school. And all these kids I was able to see, all over the world and in my hometown, I was able to inspire, to make them think they can be so much more than what they think they're capable of being. That was my outlook for 2018."

James received 78 points in balloting by U.S. editors and news directors announced Thursday, while Boston Red Sox star Mookie Betts was second with 46. Alex

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James

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

TV LISTINGS

College Basketball
UIC at Wright State, 6 p.m., ESPN2
UTRGV at Texas Tech, 6 p.m., FSSW+
Southern at Marquette, 7 p.m., FS1
UT Arlington at Texas, 7 p.m., LHN
Fort Wayne at North Dakota, 7 p.m., FCSP
North Alabama at Gonzaga, 8 p.m., ATTSW
College Football
Music City Bowl: Purdue vs. Auburn, 12:30 p.m., ESPN
Camping World Bowl: West Virginia vs. Syracuse, 4:15 p.m., ESPN
Alamo Bowl: Iowa State vs. Washington State, 8 p.m., ESPN, ESPN2
College Hockey
Fermis State at Minnesota, 7 p.m., FCSC
Hockey
SHL: Skelleftea AIK at Frolunda Gothenburg, Noon, ELVN
IHL: World Junior Championship
Czech Republic vs. Russia, 7 p.m., NHL
Kazakhstan vs. USA, 9:30 p.m., NHL
Men's Soccer
Serie A: Juventus FC vs. UC

Sampdoria, 5:30 p.m., ESPN2, ESPN2P
National Basketball Association
Dallas at New Orleans, 7 p.m., FSSW
San Antonio at Denver, 8 p.m., FSSW+
LA Clippers at LA Lakers, 9:30 p.m., NBA TV
Tennis
Hopman Cup: Great Britain vs. Greece, 8 p.m., TENNIS
Hopman Cup: Australia vs. France, 3:30 a.m., TENNIS
Water Polo
USA vs. Italy, 9 p.m., ELVN
Women's College Basketball
Ohio State at Purdue, 3 p.m., BTN
Michigan at Nebraska, 6 p.m., BTN
Wisconsin at Minnesota, 8 p.m., BTN
RADIO
NAHL Hockey
Lone Star at Odessa, 7 p.m., KFZX 102.1 FM
National Basketball Association
Dallas at New Orleans, 7 p.m., KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)
San Antonio at Denver, 8 p.m., KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)

WHAT'S ON DECK

HS Boys Basketball
Lee, MHS, Greenwood, Tournament
Greenwood at Brownwood Tournament
Midland Christian at Sandhills Tournament, Monahans

HS Girls Basketball
Lee, MHS, Greenwood, MCA at Byron Johnston Tournament
Midland Christian at Wellman-Union Tournament

TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
ATLANTA HAWKS — Traded G Jaylen Adams to OKC (MAGG)
CHICAGO BULLS — Signed G Brandon Sampson to a two-way contract; waived G Tyler Lutz
FOOTBALL
National Football League
NEW YORK JETS — Released TE Eric Deaton for injured reserve; signed TE Chris Westrick
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Signed DE

NFL GLANCE

AMERICAN CONFERENCE							NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East							West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
at New England	10	5	0	.667	398	322	at Kansas City	11	4	0	.733	405	326
at Miami	8	0	0	.800	302	261	at Oakland	4	11	0	.267	287	432
Buffalo	5	10	0	.333	277	357	at Cincinnati	6	9	0	.400	355	439
N.Y. Jets	4	11	0	.267	330	403	at Cleveland	7	7	1	.500	335	368
South							North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
at Houston	10	5	0	.667	382	313	at Pittsburgh	8	6	1	.567	412	347
at Indianapolis	9	6	0	.600	400	327	at Baltimore	9	6	0	.600	363	263
Tennessee	9	6	0	.600	293	270	at Detroit	5	10	0	.333	293	360
Jacksonville	5	10	0	.333	242	298	at Chicago	11	4	0	.733	367	273
West							South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA		W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
at Seattle	12	3	0	.800	479	352	at Dallas	11	4	0	.733	367	273
at San Francisco	4	11	0	.267	310	387	at New Orleans	9	6	1	.567	300	266
at Arizona	3	12	0	.200	201	368	at Tampa Bay	5	10	0	.333	364	430
							at Minnesota	8	6	1	.567	300	266
							at Green Bay	6	8	1	.433	378	369
							Detroit	5	10	0	.333	293	360

NBA GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE						Pacific Division					
Atlantic Division											
	W	L	T	Pct	GB		W	L	T	Pct	GB
Toronto	28	12	0	.722	—	Golden State	23	12	0	.657	—
Philadelphia	28	13	0	.683	3	LA Lakers	20	14	0	.588	2½
Boston	20	13	0	.606	4½	LA Clippers	20	14	0	.588	2½
Brooklyn	17	19	0	.472	9	Sacramento	18	16	0	.529	4½
New York	9	26	0	.257	16½	Phoenix	9	26	0	.257	14
Southeast Division						Western Division					
	W	L	T	Pct	GB		W	L	T	Pct	GB
Charlotte	16	17	0	.486	—	Detroit 106	Washington 96				
Memphis	16	17	0	.486	—	Phoenix 122	Oklahoma 120	OT			
Orlando	14	19	0	.424	2	Brooklyn 134	Charlotte 132	OT			
Washington	13	22	0	.371	4	Indiana 129	Atlanta 124				
Atlanta	9	24	0	.273	7	Seattle 106	Memphis 104				
SUNDAY'S GAMES						Wednesday's Scores					
at Charlotte	16	17	0	.486	—						
at Miami	16	17	0	.486	—						
at Orlando	14	19	0	.424	2						
at Washington	13	22	0	.371	4						
at Atlanta	9	24	0	.273	7						
WESTERN CONFERENCE						Thursday's Scores					
Southeast Division											
	W	L	T	Pct	GB		W	L	T	Pct	GB
Houston	18	15	0	.545	—	Boston at Houston, late					
San Antonio	18	16	0	.523	½	LA Lakers at Sacramento, late					
Phoenix	16	18	0	.471	1½	Philadelphia at Utah, late					
Dallas	16	17	0	.486	—	Portland at Golden State, late					
New Orleans	15	20	0	.432	4						
Northwest Division						Friday's Games					
	W	L	T	Pct	GB		W	L	T	Pct	GB
Denver	21	12	0	.636	—	Brooklyn at Charlotte 6 p.m.					
Oklahoma City	21	12	0	.636	—	Chicago at Washington 6 p.m.					
Portland	19	15	0	.559	3	Dallas at Indiana 6 p.m.					
Minneapolis	18	16	0	.486	—	Seattle at Atlanta 6 p.m.					
Phoenix	16	18	0	.471	1½	Atlanta at Minneapolis, 7 p.m.					
San Antonio	16	18	0	.471	1½	Cleveland at Miami, 7 p.m.					
San Antonio	16	18	0	.471	1½	Dallas at New Orleans, 8 p.m.					
San Antonio	16	18	0	.471	1½	Philadelphia at Phoenix, 8 p.m.					
San Antonio	16	18	0	.471	1½	San Antonio at Denver, 8 p.m.					

NHL GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE									
	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA			
at Tampa Bay	37	28	7	2	58	154	108		
at Toronto	37	25	2	2	52	140	103		
Buffalo	37	21	11	5	47	111	105		
at Boston	37	20	13	4	44	105	96		
at Montreal	37	19	13	5	43	115	125		
Florida	35	15	14	6	38	115	125		
Detroit	35	15	17	6	38	109	128		
Ottawa	37	15	18	4	34	118	144		
WESTERN CONFERENCE									
	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA			
Washington	35	22	10	3	47	129	103		
Columbus	36	21	12	3	45	117	109		
Pittsburgh	36	18	12	6	42	119	110		
N.Y. Islanders	35	18	13	4	40	101	88		
N.Y. Rangers	35	15	14	6	38	102	115		
Carolina	35	15	15	5	36	98	103		
Philadelphia	35	15	16	4	34	104	125		
New Jersey	35	12	16	7	31	102	125		
SUNDAY'S GAMES									
at Washington	35	22	10	3	47	129	103		
at Columbus	36	21	12	3	45	117	109		
at Pittsburgh	36	18	12	6	42	119	110		
at N.Y. Islanders	35	18	13	4	40	101	88		
at N.Y. Rangers	35	15	14	6	38	102	115		
at Carolina	35	15	15	5	36	98	103		
at Philadelphia	35	15	16	4	34	104	125		
at New Jersey	35	12	16	7	31	102	125		

How Fox's 25 seasons of covering the NFL changed the game

By Joe Reedy
Associated Press

AP file photo

Pat Summerall, left, and John Madden, right, sit in the FOX broadcast booth Jan. 20, 2002, before the NFC divisional playoff in St. Louis. The hiring of Summerall and Madden as the top broadcast team gave Fox instant credibility, but the network also helped launch the network football careers of Joe Buck, Thom Brennaman, Kenny Albert and Kevin Harlan.

For Fox's top NFL game as well as coordinating producer for the network's NASCAR coverage.

The NFL's decision to go with Fox continues to reverberate on a number of levels, not only with football but in the way sports rights costs are perceived among network executives. Among the things we have learned:

Football is entertainment

Fox's credo of "same game, new attitude" really applied to Hill. The affable Australian, who had built sports networks in England and Australia, was tasked with building Fox Sports in eight months.

Hill offered a fresh set of eyes when it came to evaluating pro football on television, and the first opinion he had is there wasn't enough fun or entertainment on Sunday broadcasts.

Hill's vision of Fox's philosophy took root with the pregame show. Not only was it an hour, but it was done in Los Angeles instead of New York. He had a simple formula for his pregame crew: a host, former offensive player, former defensive player and coach.

"David understood that he wanted the viewer entertained. We cover the news but we tend to do things a little more jovial," Bradshaw said.

Hill, who now runs his own production company after leaving Fox in 2015, liked how Long after seeing one of his interviews, but wasn't sold after an audition. It was so vanilla that Hill told Long to come back the next day with a different attitude. Long was more relaxed in the second audition and was hired.

Bradshaw and Long have been the backbone of Fox's pregame show despite their diverse personalities. "Terry and I couldn't be more different, but we have

caught lightning in a bottle. It just works," Long said.

Hill also suggested having a comedian do predictions and having a weather report as a segment. The Los Angeles setting also gave the show a different vibe, which is what he wanted all along.

"All the cameramen for the pregame had worked on sitcoms during the week. They all wanted to work on football," he said. "The camaraderie of everyone flowed throughout the entire unit."

The pregame show was a hit from the beginning and also showed that viewers had an appetite to consume as much football content as possible.

"I remember opening weekend when I got home I had a couple college buddies that were raving about the pregame show and how great and fun it was with everyone," said Troy Aikman, who was Cowboys quarterback in 1994 before joining the network seven years later. "It was refreshing, new and unique, and that set the tone for the network."

Elevating the game

The hiring of Pat Summerall and John Madden as the top broadcast team gave Fox instant credibility, but the network also helped launch the network football careers of Joe Buck, Thom Brennaman, Kenny Albert and Kevin Harlan.

"I was sitting in the room during a seminar and looking at Summerall, Madden, Dick Stockton and Matt Millen while listening to David Hill talk, and I couldn't believe I was in the same room," Buck said. "I had been around my dad (Hall of Fame broadcaster Jack Buck) and knew what the standard was and how it had been done, and now I was hearing how different things were going to be. It was intimidating and exciting."

ELLIOTT

From 1C

Campbell, a Hall of Famer along with Dickerson and NFL career rushing leader and former Dallas star Smith, is the only one in that group to do it all three years.

"I think Zeke's had a great year," offensive coordinator Scott Linehan said. "He's earned it. He's had some games where he's had to grind out, old school, 100-yard games. It's not like he had three or four games where he had 200 yards. He's had consistently around 100 each game."

Elliott wants to play because he believes the Cowboys (9-6) need to maintain the momentum of six wins in seven games, a surge that took them from 3-5 to the division title.

Dallas played from ahead after an 11-game winning streak while winning the NFC East two years ago, led by the sensational debuts of Elliott and quarterback Dak Prescott, the NFL Offensive Rookie of the Year that season.

Prescott missed his backfield mate when the Cowboys lost their first three games without the

suspended Elliott last season, a skid that ultimately kept them out of the playoffs even though Dallas wasn't eliminated until Elliott's first game back.

Now things look a lot like they did two years ago. Dallas headed to the postseason with the NFL's leading rusher.

"He doesn't really talk about it too much," Prescott said. "I know he's not a big stats guy but obviously him being the competitor, I know inside he wants it. I know he really wants it as I want it for him and I'm pretty sure the offensive line and every-

Production-wise, Fox ushered in the era of the constant time and scoreboard along with audio that brought viewers closer to the action. The scoreboard may look like a simple graphic, but at the time it was a technical marvel. Instead of having a camera fixated on a clock, a black box was embedded in each scoreboard so that the time and other data could be transmitted to Los Angeles and production trucks at the stadium.

"There was a guy named Richard Flanigan who had to go to each stadium with a ladder and screwdriver and put the black box in each scoreboard. But he had to build a black box for each scoreboard because they were all different," said Eric Shanks, a broadcast associate in 1994 and now Fox Sports' executive producer and CEO. "The attitude from David was the bigger, the louder, the better. We were doing things with graphics and sound effects that only used to exist in big production movies."

The NFL rights arms race

When the NFL entered television negotiations in 1993, many predicted it would be lucky to get near the \$3.6 billion received from ABC, CBS, NBC, TNT and ESPN for four years in 1990.

Fox's bid of \$1.58 billion, along with increases from ABC, NBC, TNT and ESPN, increased the rights fees to \$4.4 billion — and longtime NFL broadcast partner CBS lost the NFC rights to Fox.

The contracts also ended up benefiting the players. The salary cap started in 1994 and many predicted with decreased rights fees it would be \$32 million per team. However, the surprise influx of cash pushed it to \$34 million.

The NFL received roughly \$5.525 billion this season for television rights, including \$1.760 billion from Fox for Sunday and Thursday games. The salary cap for this season is \$177.2 million per team.

Wins and losses

Most networks lose money on sports rights deals, but they rarely have executives discuss that because the loss of the NFL can be catastrophic to the bottom line. CBS experienced that in 1993 when it lost the NFC games to Fox and NBC learned those lessons four years later when CBS outbid it for rights to the AFC.

Not only does it decimate sports divisions, but it impacts promotion of prime-time programming.

body on this team wants it for him."

And Elliott wants to play to get it, not sit and wait for it as he did two years ago in a meaningless regular-season finale against Philadelphia before a playoff bid and divisional loss to Green Bay.

"We are built a little bit different," Elliott said. "We definitely rely more on our intensity and how hard we play and be in a groove. This is the right thing to do."

And by that Elliott means playing the star running back.

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Cheez-It Bowl: TCU beats Cal 10-7 in overtime

By John Marshall
Associated Press

PHOENIX — TCU swapped kickers after California called a timeout at the end of regulation — and missed.

Faced with a similar decision in overtime, the Horned Frogs stuck with their original kicker.

Jonathan Song delivered on his second-chance kick, ending a strange night in the desert.

Song kicked a 27-yard field in overtime after being replaced at the end of regulation, lifting TCU to a 10-7 win in an interception-filled Cheez-It Bowl on Wednesday night.

"They talked me out of it," TCU coach Gary Patterson said. "I obviously got a chance to tell them they were wrong on the headset. We got another chance and did it."

TCU and Cal spent the night trading interceptions, turning the Cheez-It Bowl into the Cheez-INT Bowl by combining for nine interceptions, most in the bowl's 30-year history.

TCU's Jawuan Johnson had the final interception of the night to open overtime, nearly returning it for a pick-six.

At the end of regulation, the Horned Frogs (7-6) followed a Cal timeout by switching from Song to Cole Bunce, who hooked his 44-yard attempt wide left. TCU sent out Song again in overtime and, after another Cal timeout, opted to leave him.

The junior sent the kick straight through the uprights and the Horned Frogs rushing onto the field after a night of survival.

TCU's Sewo Olonilua ran for 194 yards and a touchdown — one of the few offensive bright spots outside of Song's kick.



Ross D. Franklin/AP

TCU place-kicker Jonathan Song (46) connects for the game-winning field goal from the hold of Adam Nunez (29) as California's Trevon Beck (22) tries in vain to reach the ball Wednesday during overtime of the Cheez-It Bowl in Phoenix.

"It was a rough day for sure. Ugly win," said TCU quarterback Grayson Muehlstein, who threw four interceptions and had 27 yards on 7-of-20 passing. "Turned the ball over way too many times, but we managed to just hang in there and just keep fighting."

Jaylinn Hawkins had three interceptions, breaking the Cheez-It Bowl record while earning defensive player of the game.

The Bears (7-6) just couldn't overcome their own miscues.

Cal's Chase Garbers threw three interceptions before being replaced by Chase Forrest, who threw two more — including the biggest one by Johnson in overtime.

"We just made too many mistakes during the game to win against a quality opponent like that," Cal second-year coach Justin Wilcox said.

Cal had the first big play after a miscommunication between Muehlstein and Jarison Stewart led to Hawkins' first interception. Garbers scored two plays later on a 4-yard run.

Five more interceptions followed in the first half.

one on a failed TCU trick play — and Cal led 7-0. Garbers completed 12 of 19 passes, but had three interceptions so Cal's coaches opted to start Forrest in the second half.

"After the first half, you have some decisions like that," Wilcox said. "Chase Garbers made a couple of balls he obviously would like to have back. We felt like we needed a little bit of a spark."

TCU left Muehlstein in at quarterback despite three first-half interceptions. Hawkins picked up his third interception of the game on the opening drive, and Muehlstein was briefly replaced by true freshman Justin Rogers before returning.

The Horned Frogs finally got something going in the third quarter, scoring their only touchdown on Olonilua's 2-yard run — a run initially ruled short before being overturned on review.

Neither team could get much going the rest of the half and the interceptions continued until Song sent his chance kick through the uprights.

"I'm glad that's over," Patterson said.

No. 25 Iowa State's finish far better than its start

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Back in September, Iowa State was sitting at 1-3, a record that looked like the Cyclones of old.

A season of big expectations — at least bigger than most years in Ames — was on the brink of collapse with a canceled game, an injured senior quarterback and two straight losses out of the gate.

Then came a QB change to freshman Brock Purdy, a win streak and the Cyclones' best finish in the Big 12. That earned No. 25 Iowa State (8-4) a trip to the Alamo Bowl, where a win Friday night over Washington State (10-2) would cap one of the program's best seasons in decades.

It also would finish two tremendous seasons for second-year coach Matt Campbell, who has turned a perennial Big 12 also-ran into a program to be reckoned with.

"You want to give players hope, an identity, give them a chance to be the best versions of themselves," Campbell said Thursday. "You see this senior class ... it's a group, just like last year's group, that really went through some really hard moments during the early stages of their football career."

The season turned on the arm and legs of Purdy, who took over the offense in early October and never let it go. Purdy led two big wins over Oklahoma State and West Virginia and had the Cyclones contending into November for a shot at the Big 12 title. Behind Purdy, Iowa State went 7-1 and finished third, the program's best conference finish in 40 years.

Iowa State's eight regular-season wins are

the most since 2000 and 16 wins over the last two seasons mark the best two-year stretch in school history.

Washington State didn't end on a similar high. The Cougars were in position to play for the Pac-12 title until losing to rival Washington in a blizzard.

While the Cyclones turned to a freshman quarterback, Washington State has senior graduate transfer Gardner Minshew II, who leads the nation with 373.3 yards passing per game to go with 36 touchdowns. Washington State coach Mike Leach's last trip to the Alamo Bowl was with Texas Tech in 2009. That was a wild and unpleasant trip for the coach, who came to San Antonio with his team but was fired three days before the game in a dispute over how Leach handled a player with a concussion.

Back then, Leach was holed up in a San Antonio hotel as the media tried to find him. This time, he's been out to visit the city, including the historic Alamo.

"Fascinating," Leach said. "I'd like to explore more."

Some things to watch for when Iowa State and Washington State play Friday night in the Alamo dome.

Fourth-quarter quarterbacks

Both Minshew and Purdy have shown they can take the pressure of performing big in the fourth quarter. Minshew led three game-winning drives in the fourth quarter. Purdy did it twice, most notably in a 17-point rally to beat Kansas State.

Spreading the wealth

Minshew has a wealth of receivers to throw to. Eight Cougars have at least 300 yards receiving and yet none has reached 800 yards. Tay Martin has a team-high eight touchdown catches. James Williams has a team-high 76 catches, but his 7.4 yards per reception ranks lowest among the top 10 receivers.

Big play man

Iowa State has a preferred target and he's a big one: wide receiver Hakeem Butler. The 6-foot-6 junior has 51 catches for 1,126 yards and leads the nation with 22.1 yards per catch and has 10 plays of 40 yards or longer.

Chasing Minshew

The Cougars have protected Minshew well behind an offensive line featuring standout tackles Andre Dillard and Abraham Lucas. Iowa State ranks second in the Big 12 with 31 sacks, a mark that is one shy of the school season record. Leading the way is defensive end JaQuan Bailey, whose 17.5 career sacks is one short of the Iowa State career record.

Montgomery's last game?

Iowa State junior running back David Montgomery is arguably the toughest runner in the Big 12 with his ability to break tackles and he's been the glue for the Cyclones' offense with consecutive 1,000-yard seasons. His absence for the first half in a loss at Texas because of an ejection the previous game proved costly. He could enter the NFL draft in the spring.

Sooners' Murray still fighting illness, will play Saturday

By Tim Reynolds
Associated Press

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. — Kyler Murray knows his future plans. Lots of rest, lots of fluids and a football game on Saturday.

From there, it's still a mystery. Oklahoma's quarterback and the reigning Heisman Trophy winner was still dealing with a cough and some sniffles Thursday, two days before the fourth-ranked Sooners will face top-ranked Alabama in the College Football Playoff semifinals at the Orange Bowl. He insists that's his lone focus right now, despite the ongoing fascination about whether he'll play football, baseball or both professionally.

"It's never bad to have options," Murray said.

Murray was drafted in the first round earlier this year by the Oakland A's, who paid the outfielder a signing bonus of about \$4.7 million. That was six months before he became a Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback, one who has guided the Sooners to a 12-1 record and into the four-team CFP field.

Now he's being mentioned as an NFL Draft candidate.

And yes, he did expect such a scenario to play itself out.

"I always felt like it might be, honestly," Murray said. "It's like nobody expected

any of this but me, the people that are closest to me, people that I've always known, who have always watched me play whether it was football, baseball. Nobody expected this. So now it's kind of like, 'What do you do?' But for me, I'm just taking it one day at a time and doing what I've always done."

Murray has thrown for 4,053 yards and 40 touchdowns this season, plus run for another 892 yards and 11 more scores. He missed a media session on Wednesday because he was feeling ill, and clearly wasn't 100 percent Thursday — but insisted that he will play in the Orange Bowl.

Sooners coach Lincoln Riley, as one might expect, raves about Murray's development.

"I felt like just with the way he had played in high school and what I had seen that he would have a pretty good football mind, but you could tell he understood the game," Riley said. "He was raw when he got to us in a lot of ways, but the natural talent, both physically and mentally, was certainly there."

In a year filled with Murray highlights, the Sooners' quarterback couldn't pick his favorite.

He's hoping it's yet to come.

"There's a lot of highlights. It's been a fun year," Murray said. "But for me, I'm not a satisfied guy, so for me, the highlight would be winning a national championship."

COLLEGE BOWL ROUNDUP

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INDEPENDENCE BOWL DUKE 56 TEMPLE 27

SHREVEPORT, La. — Daniel Jones threw for 423 yards and five touchdowns, T.J. Rahming caught 12 passes for 240 yards and two scores, and Duke blew past Temple 56-27 in the Independence Bowl on Thursday.

Duke (8-5) snapped a two-game losing streak by putting on an offensive show. The Blue Devils scored touchdowns on seven straight drives, flipping a 27-14 deficit in the second quarter to a 56-27 lead by midway through the fourth. Jones' five touchdown passes and 423 yards passing both set Independence Bowl records. So did Duke's 56 points.

Coach David Cutcliffe won his fourth Independence Bowl. He led Ole Miss to victories in Shreveport in 1998, 1999 and 2002 and is already enshrined in the bowl's Hall of Honor.

Temple (8-5) lost for just the second time in its last eight games.

The Owls took a 13-7 lead in the first half after Dehon Randall's 52-yard interception

returned for a touchdown. It was the 10th game this season in which they scored a non-offensive touchdown. Temple pushed ahead 27-14 late in the second quarter, but Duke responded with 22-yard touchdown pass from Jones to Rahming to pull within 27-21 by halftime.

Temple's Anthony Russo completed 25 of 46 passes for 228 yards, one touchdown and one interception.

PINSTRIPE BOWL WISCONSIN 35 MIAMI 3

NEW YORK — Jonathan Taylor ran for 205 yards and a touchdown and topped the 2,000-yard season mark to help Wisconsin rout Miami 35-3 in a chilly Pinstripe Bowl on Thursday night.

Taylor, just a sophomore, ripped off runs of 39 and 41 yards and was sensational at Yankee Stadium and combined with a defense that forced five turnovers to help a Wisconsin (8-5) team ranked fourth in the first AP Top 25 poll salvage its fifth straight bowl victory.

The loss had to seem like a rerun for Miami: Taylor ran for

130 yards in Wisconsin's 34-24 win over the Hurricanes last season in the Orange Bowl.

Both teams were ranked inside the top 15 last December. A year later, Wisconsin and Miami (7-6) both showed at times why two teams that opened the season inside the top 10 were stuck playing in a ho-hum bowl game with temperatures in the 30s and a sparse crowd in the Bronx. Miami's Malik Rose threw three interceptions before he was replaced late in the third quarter. Wisconsin's Rafael Gaglianone whiffed on two field goals.

The Badgers, certainly used to the cold, came out swinging for the fences — they scored two touchdowns just 3 1/2 minutes into the game and seemingly knocked the will out of Miami. Jack Coan made the most of his start for injured Alex Hornibrook (concussion) and hit Kendrick Taylor for a 35-yard TD on the first drive. Rose's first pass of the game was intercepted and Taylor capitalized with a 7-yard score to make it 14-0 before some fans even hit their seats with a hot drink.

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Saturday, Dec. 18 Celebration Bowl At Atlanta N.C. A&T 24, Akron State 22 Cory Bowl Orlando, Fla. Tulane 41, Louisiana-Lafayette 24 New Mexico Bowl Albuquerque Utah State 52, North Texas 13 Las Vegas Bowl Fresno State 31, Arizona State 20 Cameltoe Bowl Montgomery, Ala. Georgia Southern 23, Eastern Michigan 21 New Orleans Bowl Appalachian State 40, Middle Tennessee 13 Saturday, Dec. 19 Boca Raton (Fla.) Bowl UAB 37, Northern Illinois 13 Widening Bowl Frisco, Texas Ohio 27, San Diego State 0 Thursday, Dec. 20 Gasparilla Bowl At St. Petersburg, Fla. Marshall 38, South Florida 20 Friday, Dec. 21 Baltimore Bowl Baltimore Ft. 35, Toledo 32 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl Boise BYU 49, Western Michigan 18 Saturday, Dec. 22 Birmingham (Ala.) Bowl Wake Forest 37, Memphis 34 Arnold Farms Bowl Fort Worth Army 70, Houston 14 Dell Diamond Bowl Mesa, Ariz. Troy 42, Butler 32 Hawaii Bowl Honolulu Louisiana Tech 37, Hawaii 14 Wednesday, Dec. 26 SERVPRO First Responder Bowl Dallas Boston College vs. Boise State, red weather Chick Lane Bowl Detroit Minnesota 34, Georgia Tech 10 Cherry Bowl	Phoenix TCU 10, California 7, OT Thursday, Dec. 27 Independence Bowl Shreveport, La. Duke 56, Temple 27 Pinstripe Bowl New York Wisconsin 35, Miami 3 Texas Bowl Houston Baylor 46, vs. Vanderbilt 46, late (ESPN) Friday, Dec. 28 Music City Bowl Nashville, Tenn. Purdue 46, vs. Auburn 75, 12:30 p.m. (ESPN) Saturday, Dec. 29 Camping World Bowl Orlando, Fla. West Virginia 48, vs. Syracuse 49, 4:15 p.m. (ESPN) Alamo Bowl San Antonio Iowa State 44, vs. Washington State 10-2, 8 p.m. (ESPN) Saturday, Dec. 29 Peach Bowl Atlanta Florida 39, vs. Michigan 10-2, 11 a.m. (ESPN) Buckle Bowl Charlotte, N.C. South Carolina 37, vs. Virginia 7-6, 11 a.m. (ABC) Arizona Bowl Tucson, Ariz. Arkansas State 44, vs. Nevada 12-15, 12:15 p.m. (CBSN) Cotton Bowl Classic Arlington CFP Semifinal: Notre Dame 12-9, vs. Clemson 13-0, 3 p.m. (ESPN) Orange Bowl Miami Gardens, Fla. CFP Semifinal: Oklahoma 12-1, vs. Alabama 13-0, 7 p.m. (ESPN) Monday, Dec. 31 Military Bowl Kingsport, Tenn. Cincinnati 10-2, vs. Virginia Tech 8-6, 11 a.m. (ESPN) Sun Bowl El Paso Stanford 44, vs. Michigan 17-0, 1 p.m.	(CBS) Redbox Bowl Santa Clara, Calif. Michigan State 17, vs. Oregon 8-4, 2 p.m. (FDR) Liberty Bowl Memphis, Tenn. Missouri 44, vs. Oklahoma State 4-6, 2:45 p.m. (ESPN) Holiday Bowl San Diego Northwestern 45, vs. UAB 9-4, 6 p.m. (FS1) Gator Bowl Jacksonville, Fla. NC State 19, vs. Texas A&M 8-4, 6:30 p.m. (ESPN) Tuesday, Jan. 1 Outback Bowl Tampa, Fla. Mississippi State 44, vs. Iowa 8-4, 11 a.m. (ESPN2) Citrus Bowl Orlando, Fla. Kentucky 19, vs. Penn State 9-3, noon (ABC) Florida Bowl Gainesville, Fla. LSU 49, vs. UCF 12-0, noon (ESPN) Razor Bowl Piedmont, Calif. Washington 10-3, vs. Ohio State 12-1, 4 p.m. (ESPN) Sugar Bowl New Orleans Texas 44, vs. Georgia 11-2, 7:45 p.m. (ESPN) Monday, Jan. 7 College Football Championship Santa Clara, Calif. Cotton Bowl winner vs. Orange Bowl winner 7 p.m. (ESPN) Saturday, Jan. 19 East-West Shrine Classic At St. Petersburg, Fla. East vs. West, 2 p.m. (NFLN) NFLPA College Bowl At Pasadena, Calif. American vs. National TBA (NFLN) Saturday, Jan. 26 Senior Bowl At Mobile, Ala. North vs. South, 1:30 p.m. (NFLN)
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Man without a romantic bone in his body irks his girlfriend

DEAR ABBY: I am 25 and have been with my boyfriend on and off for five years. I love him very much. I often overthink things, and a constant frustration of mine is that he makes no romantic gestures at all. He drowns me in compliments and shows his love in other ways.

I always have to take the initiative and suggest he do romantic things like send me cards or flowers, take me to dinner, etc., but he only does them when I ask. It doesn't feel like enough for me. I worry that when we get married, over time I will grow bored or no longer be attracted to him because he is so unromantic. Am I just overthinking? What should I do? — ROMANTIC ONE IN AUSTIN

DEAR ROMANTIC: From what you have written it seems that you may be more in love with the idea of romantic gestures than you are with the man you have. Many women would be thrilled to have someone who drowns them with compliments and shows his love in other ways.

If you are truly worried that you will be bored if you marry him or — worse — turned off, then please, turn him loose so he can find someone who appreciates him for who he is, and you can meet someone who will make your dreams come true.

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: My friend who was suddenly widowed two years ago continues to insert her late husband into every conversation with friends and strangers alike. She's still depressed, grieving and searching for significance, and she shares it all in person and online.

Early on, she had counseling but no longer feels it necessary. She claims it helps her to talk about him constantly. Most of us close to her avoid the elephant in the room. I find myself apologizing for her in group gatherings. I take her to. People try to offer sympathy, but are surprised when they realize he's been gone two years.

I endure with love, but wonder if this is the best path. Personally, I want to let him rest in peace. But that's hard when he's always "in the room." Advice? — WANTING TO MOVE FORWARD

DEAR WANTING: Everyone grieves in their own way and on their own timetable. However, your friend may need more support and counseling than you and

others she meets socially can offer. She has my sympathy, but that deeply grieving woman needs to hear what you have written to me. Tell her, as kindly as possible, that she needs to vent to a professional so she can get more help through this difficult period.

DEAR ABBY: A male family friend who is gay works at a local business my wife and I patronize regularly. We always stop and chat when he's there, but he does something that irritates me. He addresses my wife as "Sweetie." My wife thinks I'm being silly because he's gay. I say one's sexual orientation doesn't negate manners and how one man should address another man's wife. I'm not annoyed to the point that I'd confront the guy, but I promised my wife I'd ask your opinion.

— BOTHERED IN NEW YORK

DEAR BOTHERED: There is nothing rude about a family friend — gay or straight — calling someone's wife "Sweetie." My opinion is you should lighten up.



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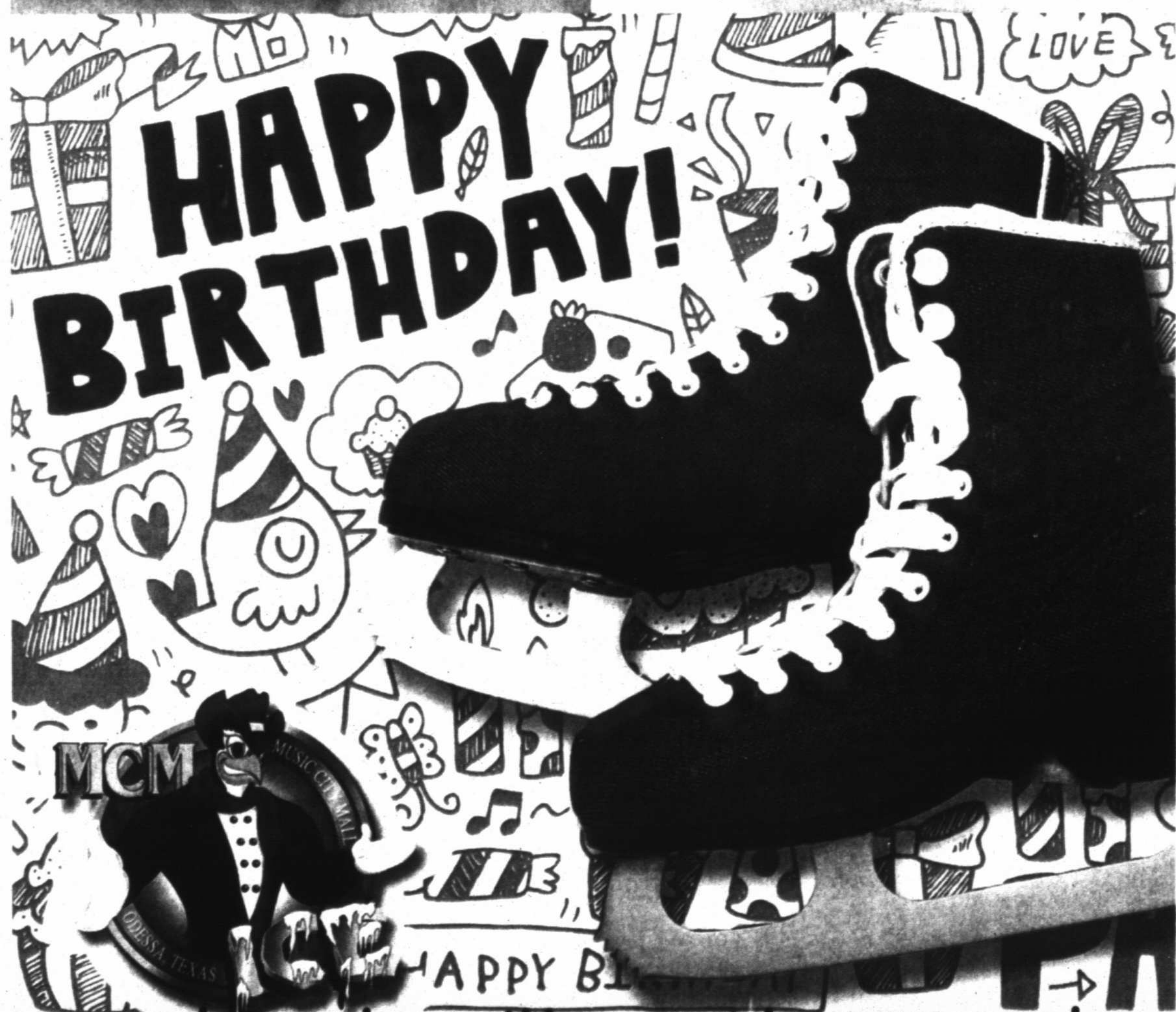
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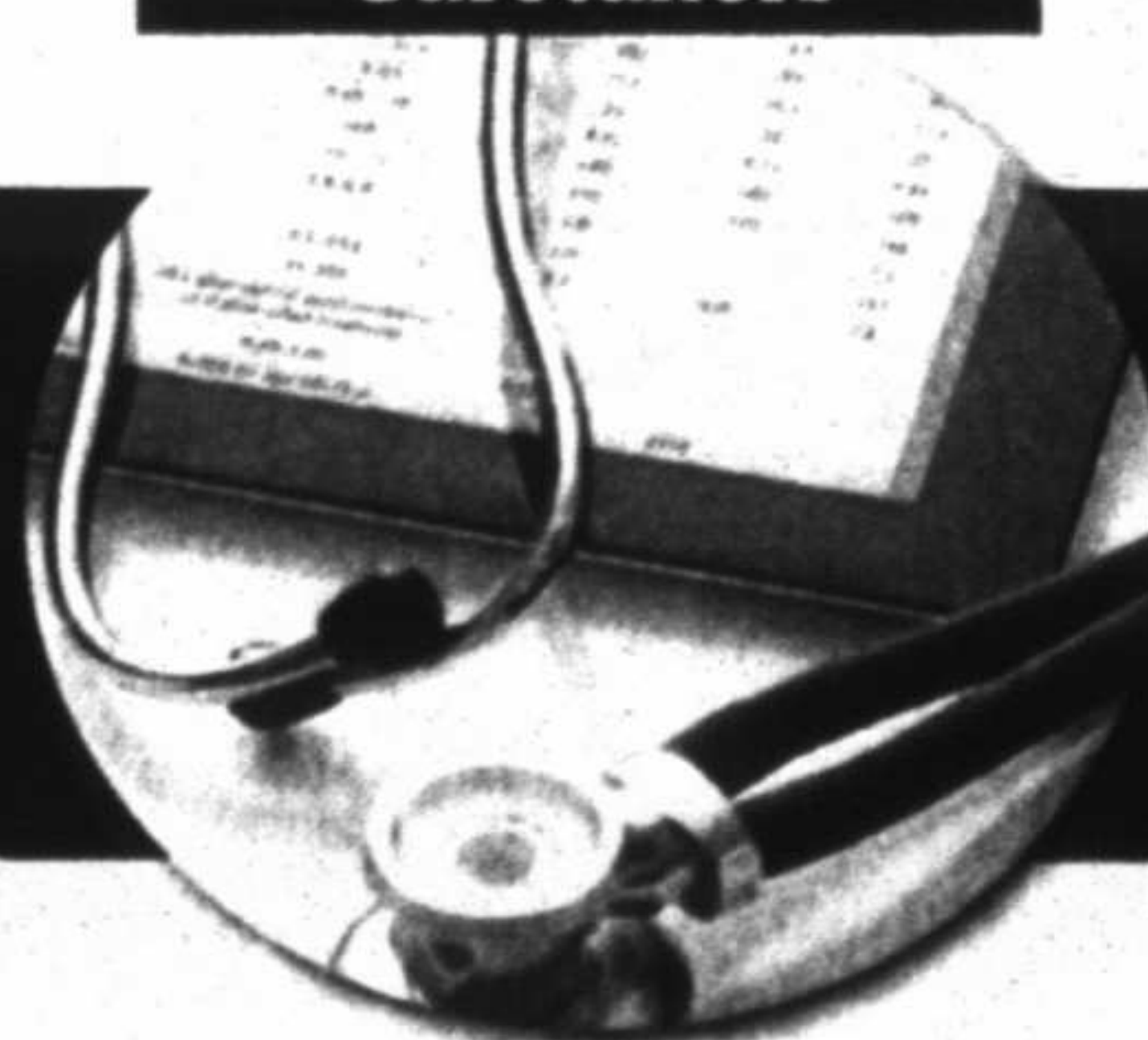
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JOINT NOTICE OF HEARING

Date, Location, and Place of Hearing: Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 16, 2019, at the offices of the Railroad Commission of Texas (Commission) located in the William B. Travis State Office Building, at 1701 N. Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas, in a room number to be posted on the bulletin board in the first-floor lobby. If the hearing is not concluded on the day it commences, it will be continued from day to day until concluded.

Purpose of Hearing: The purpose of the hearing is to allow the parties to present evidence and consider all issues of fact and law raised in or relevant to the above-described Applications. The issues that may be addressed at the hearing include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. A statement of the matters asserted and the nature of the Applicant's hearing request is in the attached Appendix A.
2. Any other issues raised in the pleadings, evidence, or argument that are necessary for the Commission to render a final decision on the merits of this case.

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Appearance at Hearing: All persons or parties supporting, opposing or protesting this Application and intending to participate in the hearing must complete and file with Docket Services the enclosed Notice of Intent to Appear at Hearing form at least five business days prior to the hearing date in this Notice of Hearing. A copy of the form should be served on the Applicant and any other parties of record.

Legal Authority and Jurisdiction: The Commission has jurisdiction over Applicant and over the matters at issue in this proceeding pursuant to TEX. NAT. RES. CODE title 3, subchapter A, B and C, TEX. WATER CODE chapters 26, 27 and 29, and TEX. GOV'T CODE chapter 2001.

Particular Statutes and Rules Involved: The statutes and rules applicable to this proceeding include but are not limited to the following:

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- TEX. WATER CODE chapters 26, 27 and 29.
- Statutes and rules referenced in Appendix A, if any of this Notice of Hearing.

Continuance of Hearing: Any request for continuance of this hearing must be filed in Docket Services no later than five business days prior to the hearing date. Copies of such request must be served to all parties shown on the service list. 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 1.45(a)(1).

Ex parte Communications Prohibited: Ex parte communications (e.g. phone calls and emails) with the examiners and Commissioners are prohibited. TEX. GOV'T CODE § 2001.061, 16 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 1.7.

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Hearing List: Service list for this Application is available for inspection at the Railroad Commission's offices in the William B. Travis State Office Building, Hearing Division, Docket Services, Room 12-123, 1701 North Congress Avenue, Austin, Texas 78701.

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APPENDIX A

O&G Docket No. 08-0316595, REBEL 145 UNIT H145WA

This hearing will be held to consider the application of Perma Deep Rock Oil Company, LLC (Operator No. 655805) ("Perman") pursuant to the Mineral Interest Pooling Act ("MIPA") (Chapter 102 of the Texas Natural Resources Code). Perman requests that the Commission enter an order creating an approximately 100.33-acre pooled unit known as the Rebel 145 Unit ("Rebel 145 Unit") around the proposed Rebel H145WA Well ("Rebel H145WA Well"), to be drilled in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field. The proposed Rebel 145 Unit is located in Sections 26 and 35, Block 39, Township 1 South T & P RR, Co. Survey, A-438, A-46, A-1, and Section 2, Block 39, Township 2 South T & P RR, Co. Survey, A-180, A-688, Midland County, Texas.

Perman proposes to be the operator of the Rebel H145WA Well. Perman proposes that production from the Rebel H145WA Well be allocated between the Rebel Unit (recorded as instrument number 2018-880 in the Official Public Records of Midland County, Texas, and any subsequent corrections or amendments thereto, the "Rebel Unit"), and the unleased tracts with acreage in the proposed Rebel 145 Unit, in the proportion that the number of surface acres of each tract within the Rebel 145 Unit bears to the total number of surface acres in the Rebel 145 Unit. Perman proposes the Commission provide for reimbursement of drilling and completion costs solely out of production with a charge for risk of 100 percent of the drilling and completion costs. A plat showing the boundary of the proposed Rebel 145 Unit and the path of the proposed Rebel H145WA Well is attached to this notice.

O&G Docket No. 08-0316596, REBEL 140 UNIT H140WB

This hearing will be held to consider the application of Perma Deep Rock Oil Company, LLC (Operator No. 655805) ("Perman") pursuant to the Mineral Interest Pooling Act ("MIPA") (Chapter 102 of the Texas Natural Resources Code). Perman requests that the Commission enter an order creating an approximately 99.03-acre pooled unit known as the Rebel 140 Unit ("Rebel 140 Unit") around the proposed Rebel H140WB Well ("Rebel H140WB Well"), to be drilled in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field. The proposed Rebel 140 Unit is located in Sections 26 and 35, Block 39, Township 1 South T & P RR, Co. Survey, A-438, A-46, A-1, and Section 2, Block 39, Township 2 South T & P RR, Co. Survey, A-180, A-688, Midland County, Texas.

Perman proposes to be the operator of the Rebel H140WB Well. Perman proposes that production from the Rebel H140WB Well be allocated between the Rebel Unit (recorded as instrument number 2018-880 in the Official Public Records of Midland County, Texas, and any subsequent corrections or amendments thereto, the "Rebel Unit"), and the unleased tracts with acreage in the proposed Rebel 140 Unit, in the proportion that the number of surface acres of each tract within the Rebel 140 Unit bears to the total number of surface acres in the Rebel 140 Unit. Perman proposes the Commission provide for reimbursement of drilling and completion costs solely out of production with a charge for risk of 100 percent of the drilling and completion costs. A plat showing the boundary of the proposed Rebel 140 Unit and the path of the proposed Rebel H140WB Well is attached to this notice.

O&G Docket No. 08-0316603, CHARGER 150 UNIT H150WB

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Perman proposes to be the operator of the Charger H150WB Well. Perman proposes that production from the Charger H150WB Well be allocated between the Charger Unit (recorded as instrument number 2018-1540 in the Official Public Records of Midland County, Texas, and any subsequent corrections or amendments thereto, the "Charger Unit"), and the unleased tracts with acreage in the proposed Charger 150 Unit, in the proportion that the number of surface acres of each tract within the Charger 150 Unit bears to the total number of surface acres in the Charger 150 Unit. Perman proposes the Commission provide for reimbursement of drilling and completion costs solely out of production with a charge for risk of 100 percent of the drilling and completion costs. A plat showing the boundary of the proposed Charger 150 Unit and the path of the proposed Charger H150WB Well is attached to this notice.

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O&G Docket No. 08-0316612, CHARGER 145 UNIT H145WA

This hearing will be held to consider the application of Perma Deep Rock Oil Company, LLC (Operator No. 655805) ("Perman") pursuant to the Mineral Interest Pooling Act ("MIPA") (Chapter 102 of the Texas Natural Resources Code). Perman requests that the Commission enter an order creating an approximately 99.03-acre pooled unit known as the Charger 145 Unit ("Charger 145 Unit") around the proposed Charger H145WA Well ("Charger H145WA Well"), to be drilled in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field. The proposed Charger 145 Unit is located in Sections 27 and 34, Block 39, Township 1 South T & P RR, Co. Survey, A-438, A-46, A-1, and Section 2, Block 39, Township 2 South T & P RR, Co. Survey, A-180, A-688, Midland County, Texas.

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O&G Docket No. 08-0316655, CHARGER 140 UNIT H140WB

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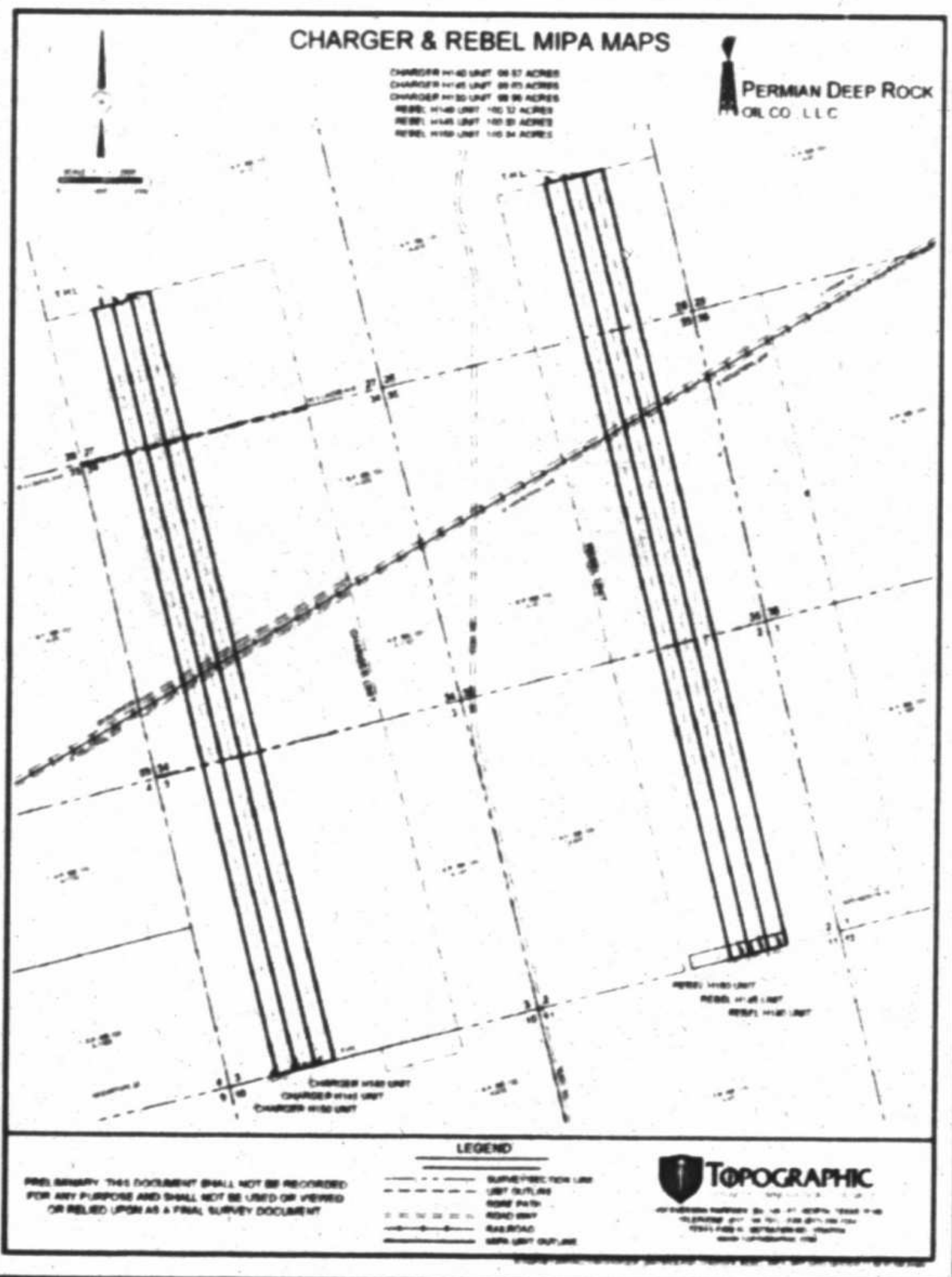
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If you have questions regarding this Application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Wayne Bailey, at (432) 262-7342. Applicant is represented by counsel, so attorneys should instead contact Applicant's counsel, Mark Hanna, at (512) 463-6300. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact Docket Services at (512) 463-6848 or at Room 12-123. Additional information about the hearing process can be found at www.rtc.texas.gov/hearing/hearing-sched.

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE
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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon
the Estate of Gayle Walters Brooke, Deceased, were issued to
Don Gregory Brooke, Independent Executor, on the 20th day of
December, 2018, in the proceeding styled "Estate of Gayle
Walters Brooke, Deceased", No. P19656 in the County Court of
Midland County, Texas, which is still pending and that said per-
son now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against
said estate, which is being administered in Midland County,
Texas, are hereby required to present the same to said inde-
pendent Executor, at the address given below before suit upon
same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such
estate is closed, and within the time and in the manner pre-
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Dunmoor Drive, Plano, TX 75093.

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c/o Brad Miller
Attorney at Law
TGAAR Tower
24 Smith Road, Suite 400
Midland, TX 79705

DATED the 26th day of December, 2018

/s/ Brad Miller
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Pursuant to the lien granted by the Texas Self-Storage Facility
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