



Residents resolve

□ Locals share thoughts on new year tradition.

For eastern New Mexico residents, 2017 represents ambition and growth as the new year begins and new resolutions are made. While many residents admit they have simply paid “lip service” to their past New Year’s resolutions, they presented an eclectic display of ambitions they are committed to achieving.

Peggy Goolsby of Portales

What are your New Year’s resolutions for 2017?

To live life more in gratitude; be grateful every day I wake up. Getting older is a privilege denied to many. I just get more grateful. I’m in good health; that’s what prompted that.

What is a New Year’s resolution that you have repeatedly made, but never followed through?

Every year: I’m going to lose weight; I’m going to be more proactive and be more organized.” Day two: Back to the old thing.



Goolsby

John DeSha of Portales

What are your New Year’s resolutions for 2017?

I guess my New Year’s resolution would just be to be a better person next year; be more patient with people, be a little more patient with myself, not procrastinate so much, just to be more tolerant of those around me.



DeSha

Camille Simon of Arizona

Camille Simon, a resident from Avondale, Arizona visiting her daughter, Shelly Flygare, and twin granddaughters, Madison and Allison Flygare, said she always thinks about making and keeping resolutions following the passing of her husband, Bill Simon, two years ago.

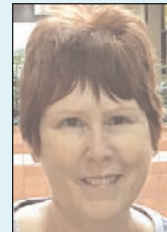
“The best gift you can give is the gift of listening,” said Simon. “Listen to our stories, listen to our journey, and we’re all in this journey together.”

What are some of your New Year’s resolutions?

I’m a recent widow, so my resolution is to keep moving forward, putting one foot in front of the other and keep getting stronger. My big one is to give back to the community and help fight cancer.

Are there resolutions you feel you have failed with in the past?

No. I’m still here and I’m still able to surprise myself and I’m stronger than I thought. I couldn’t have done it without my friends and family’s support. I’m growing stronger. We never forget. We just keep moving forward.



Simon

Jose Escobedo of Clovis

“I think you set important goals that day, but some people don’t follow through with them, but it’s good to set them,” said Clovis High School junior Jose Escobedo, who had his own resolutions to speak of.

What are some of your New Year’s resolutions?

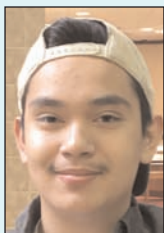
Well, right now I don’t have any resolutions. Probably the same ones as every year: Stay with your family, hope for good health. To try to pass last year’s expectations — like school, getting good grades, applying with colleges.

Are there resolutions you felt were more successful?

Definitely the school part and academics. I’ve reached my goals.

Any resolutions you feel you could improve on?

With my family, I wish I could get closer to them. I still haven’t reached that point, because I usually keep stuff inside and I wish I could share more stuff with them.



Escobedo

What is a New Year’s resolution that you have repeatedly made, but never followed through?

At one point it was to lose weight, and then it was to stop smoking, then it was to go to Europe. Never quite made it to Europe. I’ve got those (losing weight and quitting smoking) handled now, but I did make them back then.

Brianne Travis

What are your New Year’s resolutions for 2017?

To start college. I want to be a child’s counselor. I want to get a doctorate and open up my own business. I’ve always wanted to do something with children, and as I’ve gotten older, I like helping them, but necessarily in the law-enforcement side of it. I want to learn how they learn, and help them that way. I don’t just want to do it the way everyone else does it. That’s why I want to open up my own practice, so I don’t have to follow other people’s rules.

What is a New Year’s resolution that you have repeatedly made, but never followed through?

Lose weight.



Travis

Mikayla Mountjoy

What are your New Year’s resolutions for 2017?

Travel more, work less. I’m going to Germany in September. Visit at least seven states this year. I have visited all of the western coast, all the way up to Canada. I’ve been through this part of the world and up, so there’s probably 20 or 30 states I haven’t been to, which isn’t too great, but we’re getting there.

What is a New Year’s resolution that you have repeatedly made, but never followed through?

More sleep. Always a good one.



Mountjoy

Patrick Avent

Clovis resident Patrick Avent said being healthy and having a successful career were among the resolutions he makes year to year.

What are some of your New Year’s resolutions?

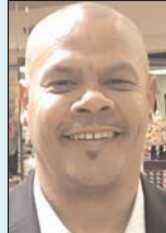
One of the main ones is kind of to get in better shape.

Is this a resolution you failed to keep up with in the past year?

No. I didn’t necessarily fail to keep it. It’s a continuous thing. It’s always on your mind. I’ll be 50 years old this year. For something like that, it’s always good to keep in shape.

Are there other resolutions you felt you successfully kept this last year?

I pushed myself more in my career. I do sales, so I resolve every year to push myself a bit harder. You always push yourself harder and that’s how you succeed.



Avent

Clovis residents Nicole Edwards and Kala Chappell both had a similar outlook on resolutions, namely that it isn’t so urgent to set resolutions to keep up with at the beginning of the year.

Nicole Edwards of Clovis

What are some of your New Year’s resolutions?

I don’t make resolutions. There’s no point in setting myself up for something I know I won’t keep. I don’t think I’ve ever said that I’m gonna do this by a certain date. (It’s good) if you do what you want every day, and you’ve accomplished what you wanted. It’s all over Facebook that they’re gonna lose weight, get money, get a better job and you can’t guarantee that those things are gonna happen.

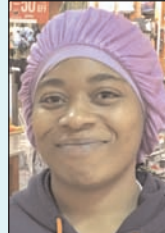


Edwards

Kala Chappell of Clovis

What are some of your New Year’s resolutions?

Chappell: I really don’t have any. I’m the type of girl that goes with the flow... because everybody will say their resolutions but they never do them. I think I’m doing pretty good.



Chappell

— Compiled by Staff Writers Eamon Scarbrough and Kurt Munz-Raper

Experts offer up new year health tips

□ Realistic goal setting key to steady progress.

By Eamon Scarbrough

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While the decadent nature of the holidays is always an enjoyable respite from the rest of the year, indulgence can leave noticeable effects and throw a person’s healthy routine out of orbit.

In order to rebound from the slump that holidays can leave a person in, local health experts recommend setting manageable goals.

“What I’ve noticed is, a lot of people will say, ‘I want to lose 30 pounds this year.’ That might be realistic for them, but they need to break that down into smaller goals,” said Fitness Instructor Jessica Sabin of Snap Fitness in Portales. “So, maybe one month they’re going to cut out junk food and strive to lose seven pounds, then the next month, they say, ‘Hey, I’m going to cut out soda and sugary products and aim to lose another 10 pounds that month.’”

Eastern New Mexico University Assistant Professor of Health and Physical Education Beth Birky added that setting goals that aren’t realistic can ultimately be counterintuitive.

“Nobody’s going to go from eating whatever they want to not eating anything, because that’s just not how our bodies work. That’s really not going to help you, because then you’ll feel like you failed, and then you’ll never continue with it,” she said.

Birky recommended adopting a healthy routine with a partner to help solidify a person’s commitment.

“Nutritionally, as well as fitness-wise, if you can start with a partner, you’re going to continue it a lot longer than you will by yourself usually,” she said, adding that establishing a routine independent of working out with a partner is helpful. “If you can just add in a 10-minute walk in the morning, or at noon, or at night — add one in one day, then add another in another day — those kinds of things help a lot. Then, it makes you feel like you’ve actually accomplished something.”

While the physical work an individual does will depend on their goals, Sabin set some standard guidelines they can follow.

“If they just want to shed some pounds, it’s great to find a good balance between cardio and weightlifting. Cardio alone will shed pounds, but you don’t want to lose a ton of muscle mass in the process,” she said.

According to Sabin, the most important step in establishing (or re-establishing) a healthy routine is the first one.

“Personally, I’ve found it easiest to start that day that you’re thinking of. Don’t say, ‘I’m gonna start a week from now.’ If you don’t have a gym membership, go get it that day that it’s already fresh in your mind, that you’re motivated to do it,” she said.

Forecast:

Today



High: 58
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Monday



High: 59
Low: 33

Tuesday



High: 56
Low: 29

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■ Blood drive — 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at La Casa Family Health Center, Portales. Information: 575-840-8178
Ongoing
■ Pintores artist of the month — Art from Brackston Taylor fea-

tured at Clovis-Carver Public Library. Information: 575-769-7840
■ Juried Student Art Show — Through Jan. 13 in Eula Mae Edwards Museum and Gallery at CCC. Information: 575-769-4956

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Meetings calendar

Tuesday
■ Lodger's Tax Advisory Board — 5:30 p.m. in assembly room at city hall, Clovis. Information: 575-763-9654
■ Civil Aviation Board — 5:30 p.m., Clovis Municipal Airport terminal. Information: 575-769-7890.
■ Portales City Council — 6:30 p.m. in council chambers at the Portales Memorial Building. Information: 575-356-6662 ext. 1012
■ Roosevelt County Commission — 9 a.m. in the commission room at the county courthouse, Portales. Information: 575-356-5307

Wednesday
■ Clovis Chamber Ambassador meeting — 11:30 a.m. at the chamber, Clovis. Information: 575-763-3435

Thursday
■ Clovis City Commission — 5:15 p.m. at north annex of Clovis-Carver Library. Information: 575-769-7828

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NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER



Staff photo: Kurt Munz-Raper

Lighthouse Mission Executive Director Richard Gomez prepares a pork roast for the Men and Women Drug and Alcohol Recovery Program. A meeting was held on New Year's Eve as part of the six-month program as a way to allow participants to celebrate New Year's in a sober fashion, Gomez said.

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On this date ...

1967: Denver police had arrested a man who had escaped from the Tucumcari city jail more than a month earlier.

Albert Garcia escaped by using a smuggled hacksaw blade to cut a hole through steel mesh covering a skylight. He squeezed through the opening and slid down a utility pole to freedom, United Press International reported.

An anonymous telephone tip led to his arrest in Denver.

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Clovis police blotter

The following is a sampling of calls received by dispatchers for Clovis police, Curry County sheriff and area fire stations:

Thursday

- 8:12 a.m.: Larceny over \$500, 2300 block of Ralph Boone Drive
- 10:11 a.m.: Possession of a stolen vehicle, 600 block of West 12th Street
- 10:18 a.m.: Improper backing/limitation on backing, 3700 block of North Prince Street
- 1:02 p.m.: Found property, 700 block of North Main Street
- 2:03 p.m.: Theft of identity, 2100 block of North Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard Southeast
- 5:22 p.m.: Battery, 300 block of East Fifth Street
- 5:29 p.m.: Battery on a household member, 400 block of West 12th Street
- 6:31 p.m.: Burglary (residence), 1100 block of North Norris Street
- 7:27 p.m.: Burglary (commercial), 1000 block of East Santa Fe Avenue
- 11:28 p.m.: Criminal

damage to property of a household, 1000 block of West Manana Boulevard

Friday

- 12:38 a.m.: Failure to appear, Sixth Street/Prince Street

Jail log

The following were booked into the Curry County Adult Detention Center:

Thursday

- Ruben Perez, 29, probation violation
- Carlos A. Ruiz, 30, driving under the influence of liquor (impaired, second)
- Sabrina Vigil, 21, child abuse - negligently cause (no death or great bodily harm)
- Nicole Ramirez, 35, receiving stolen property (receive, \$250 or less)
- Christopher Luna, 23, aggravated burglary (armed after entering)
- Jared Wagner, 21, attempt to commit a felony, to wit: residential burglary
- Shallymar D. Cook, 26, probation violation

■ Devion Mills, 24, battery against a household member

■ Carlos Lopez, 32, driving while license suspended or revoked

Friday

- Marisa Yanez, 26, failure to appear on misdemeanor charge

The following were released from the Curry County Adult Detention Center:

Thursday

- Nathan Ervin, 35
- Juan Cisneros-Garcia, 25
- Tanner Autrey, 23
- Anthony Sena, 35
- Elizabeth Navarro, 18
- Donte Robinson, 19
- Kevin Mah, 35
- Devion Mills, 24
- Carlos Lopez, 32

Friday

- Eustacio Nevarez, 29

— Compiled by the staff of The News

Portales police blotter

The following is a sampling of calls for Portales police, fire and sheriff:

Thursday

- 4:51 p.m.: Fire/regular response, Roosevelt Road O/Roosevelt Road 9
- 5:15 p.m.: Motor vehicle accident without injuries, mile marker 3 on New Mexico 262, report taken
- 6:21 p.m.: Assault in progress, 1800 block South Avenue J Place
- 6:29 p.m.: Ambulance requested, 1200 block Libra Drive
- 9:48 p.m.: Harassment in progress, 500 block South Roosevelt Road N

Friday

- 4:40 a.m.: Ambulance requested, 1600 block South Roosevelt Road 6
- 4:47 a.m.: Ambulance requested, 1500 block North Main Avenue
- 6:18 a.m.: Fire/regular response, location unknown
- 6:27 a.m.: Ambulance requested, 1000 block North Main Avenue
- 6:32 a.m.: Harassment

report, 200 block West Maple Street

■ 9:57 a.m.: Breaking and entering, 1900 block Westview Emerald Drive

Jail log

Released Thursday As of 7 a.m. Friday

- Gerard John Cristostomo, 19, bond
- Eric Gallegos, 22, bond
- Michael G. Valdez, 30, time served

Booked Thursday-Friday As of 7 a.m. Friday

- Gerard John Cristostomo, 19, unauthorized use or theft of the card of another, unlawful use of an ATM card (nine counts)
- Larry Fitzgerald, 51, three bench warrants
- Santiago L. Gonzales, 24, bench warrant
- Ysidro Gonzales, 36, criminal damage to property, bench warrant
- Elizabeth A. Navarro, 18, bench warrant
- Richard Orosco Jr., 35, return for court
- Marcos Ortega, 24, probation violation

■ Leon Daniel Phillips, 39, return for court

■ Fausto Israel Rocha, 29, aggravated first DWI, possession of marijuana, stopping or parking in prohibited space, no proof of insurance, open container within driver or passenger's reach, registration of off-highway motor vehicles

■ Alex Romero, 25, return for court

■ Elva Sims, 37, probation violation

Total inmates: 63

—Compiled by Staff Writer Eamon Scarbrough

PLAY DAY



Staff photo: Kurt Munz-Raper

Dara Briseno, 7, goes for a twirl Saturday afternoon. Her father, David Briseno, said he and his family, originally from Clovis, always visit immediate family in town during Christmas and New Year's, adding "there's not much of a winter in southern California." Today's forecast is expected to be mostly sunny in Clovis and Portales, with highs in the 50s, according to the National Weather Service.

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Viewpoint

We said farewell to a few of our neighbors in 2016

CNN called 2016 the year the music died. Indeed, the year took a large number of icons throughout the entertainment world — people that we all appreciated, even if most of us did not actually know them.

But it was also a tough year for losing people we did know and cared about closer to home.

A few words about a few of our neighbors who passed last year:

Jean Berry: The kindergarten teacher at Brown Early Childhood Center in Portales was known by friends as “the person you could go to.” Her friends also described her as passionate about everything she did, from volunteer work to teaching to folding the flag the proper way. “She was a good role model,” fellow teacher Dawn Hall said.

Richard Burke: A 20-year Air Force veteran, he spent 19 years as a magistrate judge in Clovis. Maybe he was best known for community volunteer work; he was involved in six local service organizations. And he called many people friend. “He enjoyed people, and people enjoyed him,” said Sidney Turner, one of his friends. “He was an individual who, if you met him, you liked him.”

Fred Chandler: Dave Nash, longtime emcee at the Floyd Lions Club Country Music Jamboree, had this to say about his musician friend: “The air around him was just friendly and loving and positive and he never got twisted.”

W. Charles Green: He founded Clovis’ First Church of God and Christ in 1957 and pastored it over the next six decades. “He taught me how to love, in spite of what people do or say,” his nephew David Dawson said. “In the ministry and, as a person, he was a good example of that. He carried on like that.”

Nick Griego Sr.: He built his own business, along with a significant amount of Clovis and Cannon Air Force Base. Susan Griego-Love, his daughter, had this to say about his construction company: “People saw it as big, but we thought it was small because it was family. Our employees felt like family, and my father treated them like family.”

Gretchen Haase: She operated a Portales preschool for 25 years. At 6-feet in height, she was a memorable figure in many ways. “Rather than just missing her,” former student Stephen Hardin said at her funeral, “let’s honor her by showing the world the love, kindness, and compassion she showed us. Let’s love big.”

Don McAlavy: Kim Siewert remembers her dad’s life was consumed with acting, writing and keeping regional history alive. “I remember asking as a kid, ‘Where’s Daddy?’ and he was out counting headstones at a cemetery somewhere,” she said.

Dr. James Moss: He was Clovis’ mayor for 12 years, but he also worked as a farmer, rancher and doctor, of course, and he held multiple titles in his 92 years. His final job was volunteer at the Food Bank of Eastern New Mexico, to which he dedicated himself well into his 80s. Every Tuesday and Thursday, he boarded a city bus, and worked from 10 a.m. to noon, sorting beans and rice and more.

Steve Rooney: The bigger-than-life radio personality was the recipient of literally hundreds of tributes posted on social media after his passing. “I’m gonna miss his laugh, his goofy comments and sarcasm and hugs,” one associate wrote. Another referenced him as “big brother, goof ball and all-around great guy.” He left a wife, four children, and a Secret Santa legacy.

Marjorie Watkins: We came to know her in recent years, when she wore multiple hats for the Clovis / Curry County Chamber of Commerce. But she will be best remembered as the organist at First Baptist Church in Farwell. She did that for 53 years.

So long, friends. Thanks for enriching our lives.



I feel pretty safe in my resolutions

Since I never remember them, I feel safe in making New Year resolutions. Too lethargic from vegetarian holiday food to hatch my own, I Googled lifehack.org for inspiration.

Here are strategies for implementing theirs:

- Give up cigarettes: I don’t smoke, but will start.

- Drink in moderation: Averaging one sip a year, I will drink more.

- Become more social: See above.

- See your doctor more often: I will invite her for drinks to calm her nerves before surgeries.

- Become more active: Despite playing basketball regularly, I will steal my 4-year-old great-nephew’s Xbox One.



Wendel Sloan
Local columnist

- Dress in style: I will complement my stylish socks and shoes with workplace swimsuits.

- Remember important dates: After purchasing a workplace swimsuit calendar, I will circle pay days, pre-planned sick days, vacation days and Dallas Cowboys game days.

- Save more money: I will donate less to charity.

- Learn how to defend yourself: I will apply for concealed carry.

- Learn a new language: Advertised as “easy peasy as Tweeting,” I will order “Trump on Tape.”

- Spend less time on social media — I will cut back on MySpace.

- Express yourself artistically: After sketching a greyhound mistaken for a seahawk, I will start signing my work “Wendel Picasso.”

- Turn your hobby into a career: I will start charging Periscope viewers of my morning showers.

- Become tidier: I will ask cousin Chef Juandel to recommend a Mexican maid.

- Adopt a cute pet: See above.

- Reinvent yourself: Impersonating my cousin, I will host “Chef Juandel’s Juarez Cuisine” on local

- special cable and sell “Chef’s Special Brownies.”

- Explore the world: I will visit Athens, China, Egypt, Paris, Sudan and Turkey (Texas).

- Be more creative: I will start plagiarizing fellow columnists Betty Williamson, Kevin Wilson, Patti Dobson, Kent McManigal, Sharna Johnson, Dave Barry, Alisa Boswell and David Stevens.

- Go high when they go low: When unilaterally denigrated, knowing I’m simply a therapeutic target will inspire me to invite detractors to join me in imbibing Keystones moderately while belting out “I’ve Got Friends in Low Places” in the kind of true love only the besotted share.

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Working toward ‘celebration list’

In a year where we said goodbye to too many of our favorites in music and movies, I was hoping to say one personal goodbye. But it’s proving to be a houseguest that just won’t leave.

Earlier in 2016, I had decided I could end the year debt-free. My car loan extended into 2017, but the payments were low. After that, I could tackle the credit card — which I grabbed second because it was still in a zero-interest introductory period. By December, I could kiss my debt goodbye.

But life happens when you’re busy making other plans. I didn’t expect my car to need new tires. I didn’t expect to be Christmas shopping for a few new people in my life. And, because I’m not blameless here, I didn’t expect that piece of furniture I liked to get discounted 70 percent.

I’m still seeing the light at



Kevin Wilson
Deputy editor

the end of the tunnel, and I think the goal can be adjusted into the first few months of 2017.

I just need some motivation.

Have you ever built a wish list on a shopping site, full of things you’d never buy yourself but would cheerily accept from friends? I try to keep one updated for holidays and birthdays because everybody who knows me knows I’m hard to shop for (if I truly need it, I get it myself).

The wish list is being converted into “The Celebration List.” When my debt is zero, I

have no routine bills, and I have enough in my accounts to cover it, I’m buying the whole list to say, “Good job, Kevin.”

I haven’t made many rules, but they need to be inexpensive and things I’d like to have and not need to have, and the list probably shouldn’t get beyond what I would have made for a car payment.

I placed the first item in the cart: “The Iron Giant” Signature Edition Blu-Ray. This is one of my favorite cartoons ever, finally getting the treatment it deserves.

Little by little, I’ve found other things to add.

- A new safety razor, replacing my adequate but unimpressive current model.

- A pizza stone, because baking sheets aren’t the same thing.

- A DVD of “Sgt. Bilko,” one of my favorite dumb movies from high school.

- Backup charging equip-

ment for my camera batteries.

- A good reading light that can clip to my bed’s headboard.

- A digital tire gauge, so I can keep up with the PSI on those new tires.

By the time I can actually buy the list, I’m sure I’ll have found enough small things to get the list to become something worth celebrating.

Unfortunately, I’m my own worst enemy. While scanning the list, I noticed “The Iron Giant” dropped to \$10. I couldn’t let this be ignored.

The order went in Thursday night. One less item on the celebration list, and I’m \$10 further away from celebrating.

Maybe I’ll be smarter next year.

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Changes, transitions — and a good-bye

A lot happened in 2016, some of it good and some of it less than fun. I'm sure that goes for most of us in regard to most years of our lives.

For me, 2016 entailed a lot of change and transitioning — most of it positive. I got married; I lost staff members/coworkers, I gained them, then I lost some again; my newspaper joined the Clovis newspaper to become one.

With the transition of the paper in November, as well as some heavy news both professionally and personally, the last two months of the year were a whirlwind for me. But I am beginning the new year on a happy note



Alisa Boswell
Managing editor

with many new beginnings and a couple of chapters ending.

One such chapter is this column — it's time for me to say goodbye for a while. I have had a lot of fun writing it, and I have appreciated the support and compliments I have received from local readers. But the joining of the two papers has brought on changes that have added to my plate of responsibilities and has made it difficult

for me to keep up with my column, which I feel has affected its writing quality. I have no doubt we can transition all of you into another columnist, who will entertain you on an even higher level.

I'm not sure which ones were your favorites as readers, but the ones I enjoyed writing most in 2016 were:

- Pastor Jim made our world better
- Nobody rocks it like Betty does
- Cherish the little moments
- So long, sweet Roxie
- I got the "I do" in Wookiee
- ARISE a worthwhile cause
- Cancer seems to strike the best people

I hope to be back to column writing one day, but for now, it's time to pass the torch and let someone else have some fun with it and give myself more time for other things.

Let's end this chapter on a high note by talking about some more of my 2016 favorites.

- My favorite local production in 2016 was "Mary Poppins" put on by Portales High School in April — and no, it's not because I had family performing in it. It was a fantastic musical with a wonderful cast. You could tell a lot of effort was put into the production, and there was some fabulous talent, including the child actors, Cody Webster and

Emily Crawford.

■ As far as local events go, 2016 was no different in that I am still partial to the Peanut Valley Festival. I like walking around and looking at hand-crafted items. It's a relaxed event that's enjoyable to walk around. Plus, I'm a sucker for sword fighting.

■ Another thing that didn't change this past year was that my favorite photo op still remains children playing sports. There is nothing more adorable than the disorganized chaos of preschool-first grade sports, and I love taking photos of it.

■ And one can never forget that most awkward moment of 2016 in which I naturally had to be that person

who didn't notice the toilet paper on the floor and walked out of the county courthouse with it stuck to my shoe during a murder trial. Several people looked at me and a woman pointed it out to me. Yep, I'm that girl. I'm sure there were several other "special moments" I had during the year, but those secrets are safe with me.

Know that I love ya, Portales peeps, and I am still here when you need me. Happy New Year.

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My thanks to the beacons of light in 2016

Dear 2017, With a definitive snap, I close the book on 2016. What's the saying, in like a lion and out like a lamb? Without question, your cousin 2016 tore through Head Acres, claws out, like a lion.

As I look back, I tiptoe through the pieces of 2016 that cluttered the journey. Loss. Illness. Responsibility. Rejection. Obligation. Change. At times, circumstances left me feeling lost, stumbling around as I tried to make my way.

During those moments, anxiety and fear can be



Patti Dobson
Religion columnist

overwhelming, almost paralyzing us. And then we're stuck, when in reality, the best thing to do is move, take a step. Even the smallest of steps is a step forward.

Faith is easy when things are going well. It's so much more difficult when we're faced with uncertainty,

when we're neck deep in a crisis.

Upon reflection, I see (now) that during those times, the right person was placed in my path. Whether for a moment in passing, an email or a visit in my office, the right person was there. Maybe not with an answer, but with what was needed at that point in time: a flicker of hope — of faith — revealed itself. They became a light in the darkness.

Even though I don't do resolutions, I do a good bit of self-reflection, to close out one year in order to embrace the new with a

clean slate, a refreshed spirit.

During one such moment of contemplation, three geese flew over me, just above the tree tops. I heard their song before I saw them.

"You guys are lost; they went that-a-way," I said.

Two things struck me almost simultaneously: I was talking to geese (and telling them where the rest of their group went); and, how nice it would be to have someone point the way for us.

Silence. Realization.

Epiphany, table for one.

I have people who, whether they know it or not, are those beacons of light.

Some are obvious, like a particular dean who, when finding out I was recovering from surgery after graduation, made a beeline to my office with chocolate, fruit and tea.

Others are stealth beacons of light, who share joy without knowing they're doing it. For instance:

- the residents of Head Acres who can't wait to see me because they know I keep biscuits in my pockets;
- Wayne, who is a pun

master extraordinaire;

■ Members of the CRE group who send out bits of encouragement and laughter via email;

■ The fellow who gave the Portales McDonald's \$100 for the people behind him, to make their day (best coffee I had all week).

The list goes on, much longer than the word count I'm allowed to have for each column ...

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Elegant evening ahead at banquet

Yam to host event Jan. 12

The Annual Banquet for the Roosevelt County Chamber of Commerce will be held at 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 12 at the historic Yam Theatre in downtown Portales.

Banquet planners are going all-out this year with the theme, "An Evening of Elegance." They hope everyone will dress up and get ready for a special night of dining, music and awards.

"This has been a remarkable year for the Chamber," said Executive Director Karl Terry. "We've moved forward on exciting new ventures such as the tiered membership conversion and we've provided some quality events for the community during challenging times. We want to celebrate those successes as we move into a new year."

In addition to a variety

of community awards, the banquet will serve as an opportunity to review the past year's accomplishments under outgoing president Matt Hunton and an opportunity for incoming president, Jerry Cordova, to be introduced.

Dinner will be catered by Sodexo and will feature "Steak Au Poivre" as well as other delightful side dishes and dessert.

New this year will be the availability of a cash wine and beer bar.

Dinner music will be provided by the ENMU Music Department. Prior to the show special entertainment will be provided by members of the cast of the upcoming ENMU musical production of "Pirates of Penzance."

Banquet is open to everyone. Seats can be reserved by calling the Chamber at 356-8541 or online at www.portales.com through the calendar tab. Seats are \$25 each or \$180 for a table of eight.

Annual legislative dinner set Jan. 23

On behalf of the Clovis/Curry County and Roosevelt County Chambers & Clovis Industrial Development Corporation, we would like to extend an invitation to you to join us for the annual Clovis/Portales Microplex Legislative Activities in Santa Fe.

The Clovis/Portales Legislative Dinner will be held on Monday, Jan. 23 at Hotel Santa Fe. The cocktail re-

ception will start at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. We are expecting over 100 community leaders from Curry and Roosevelt Counties to attend the dinner and look forward to seeing you there.

Reserve rooms at Hotel Santa Fe, 1501 Paseo de Peralta, ask for the Clovis/Portales Microplex group rate, by Jan. 6 by calling (877) 259-3409 or (505) 982-1200.

United Way brings Reality Check days to Portales

Portales leaders have an opportunity to greatly impact the future of our freshmen at Portales High School on Jan. 13 and Feb. 22 during the first-ever Reality Check Days in Portales. The program takes 9th-graders through real-life situations dealing with finances and everyday adult life.

Approximately 40 volunteers are needed. No specific

experience is required but organizations, business owners and managers are encouraged to get involved. These are the folks we'll depend on in the future as employees and community members, let's make sure they're well equipped for life.

Please sign up today at volunteerENM.org or dial 2-1-1 for more information on how to help.

Chamber Calendar

- Jan. 10 -- Leadership Portales meets
- Jan. 12 -- Annual Banquet, 6 p.m., Yam
- Jan. 13 -- Reality Check Day, PHS
- Jan. 16 -- Ambassadors meet, 12 p.m., Chamber
- Jan. 17 -- Chamber Board, 11:30 a.m., Chamber
- Jan. 17 -- Opening day State Legislature
- Jan. 21 -- Illusionist show, 3rd & Kilgore Church, 6:30
- Jan. 23 -- Legislative Appreciation Dinner, Santa Fe

For more check the online calendar at:

www.portales.com

Business of the Month



El Rancho Restaurant was named Business of the Month for January by the Roosevelt County Chamber of Commerce. The family-owned and operated business was selected for the friendliness of its staff and owners and its community involvement. The business helped with the annual community Thanksgiving dinner and then on Christmas Day the restaurant opened its doors to serve a free dinner to the community, providing a place for those without family in the area to gather and enjoy the holiday meal. Accepting the award from Ambassadors for the family is Joey Garcia.

Volunteers of the Month



The Proctor family was named Volunteers of the Month for January for providing the community with its "Lights on Abilene" Christmas lighting show. Dave and Betty Proctor along with grandsons Rylan and Caleb accepted the award from the Ambassadors right before Christmas. The Proctors have been doing a lighting display for 30 years using the tall ham radio tower as the focal point. They recently added RGB lighting along with the programable tree shown in the photo. The show broadcasts choreographed music along with a Christmas greeting recorded by the grandchildren.

NM Ag Expo marking 25 years

Early Bird vendor rates extended to Jan. 31

The New Mexico Ag Expo sponsored by Plateau will be celebrating its 25th anniversary when it opens March 24-25 at the Roosevelt County Fairgrounds in Portales. The committee is working to add special touches to mark the occasion.

"Ag Expo was a tremendous idea 25 years ago when it started and we want to recognize those founders this year," said Ag Expo Chair Casey Peacock. We welcome anyone with ideas or suggestions to let us know."

The hours of the show are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Friday and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday with vendor setup starting at 9 a.m. Thursday.

The Roosevelt County Events Arena, where the main show is held is large enough to accommodate the entire show indoors, including large equipment, which has previously been displayed outside, making the event both vendor and visitor friendly.

Vendor booth space is now available. Early bird vendor rates have been extended through Jan. 31.

For applications or more information about vendor booths, sponsorship or attendance call (800) 635-8036, email the Expo at chamber@portales.com or visit the website at www.nmagexpo.com.

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Cop's mission to help others avoid her pain

By Naomi Martin

THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS

DALLAS — Happy hour isn't even over yet, and she's already landed one.

"Starting off with a bang," Officer Stacie Brown says as she walks behind the Arlington police station. It's dusk on a cold Wednesday, and the sky is streaked with pink.

Brown is a cop who arrests drunken drivers, and the holiday season is her busiest time of year. This time, Brown didn't have to scour the highways looking for an intoxicated driver. One came to her.

Well, other cops brought him to her. They said he'd led them on a high-speed chase through a neighborhood before he crashed and fought the officers. His three kids were in the car; one had a huge knot on his head.

"Hi," Brown says as she approaches the slumped, handcuffed man in the backseat of the squad car. He's young and tattooed all over his arms and neck. He answers her questions in quiet gasps, heaving and shaking.

What were you doing when you got pulled over?

Going to buy meth.

Why did you run?

Panicked.

"I appreciate you being honest," Brown says.

She talks to the man with respect, no condescension. It's not just a tactic to gain cooperation — though it does work. Brown genuinely does not judge the people she arrests.

She knows many of them are good people who just made a bad decision. She knows this all too well.



Brown is 45. Twenty years ago, she was teaching special education and coaching track at Sam Houston High School in Arlington. It was another life, another time.

Around 9:30 p.m. on Dec. 14, 1995, Brown was watching "ER" when she got a phone call that her 28-year-old sister, Shelli Lacy, had been in a car accident. She was dying.

The driver at fault was intoxicated.

The driver at fault was her sister.

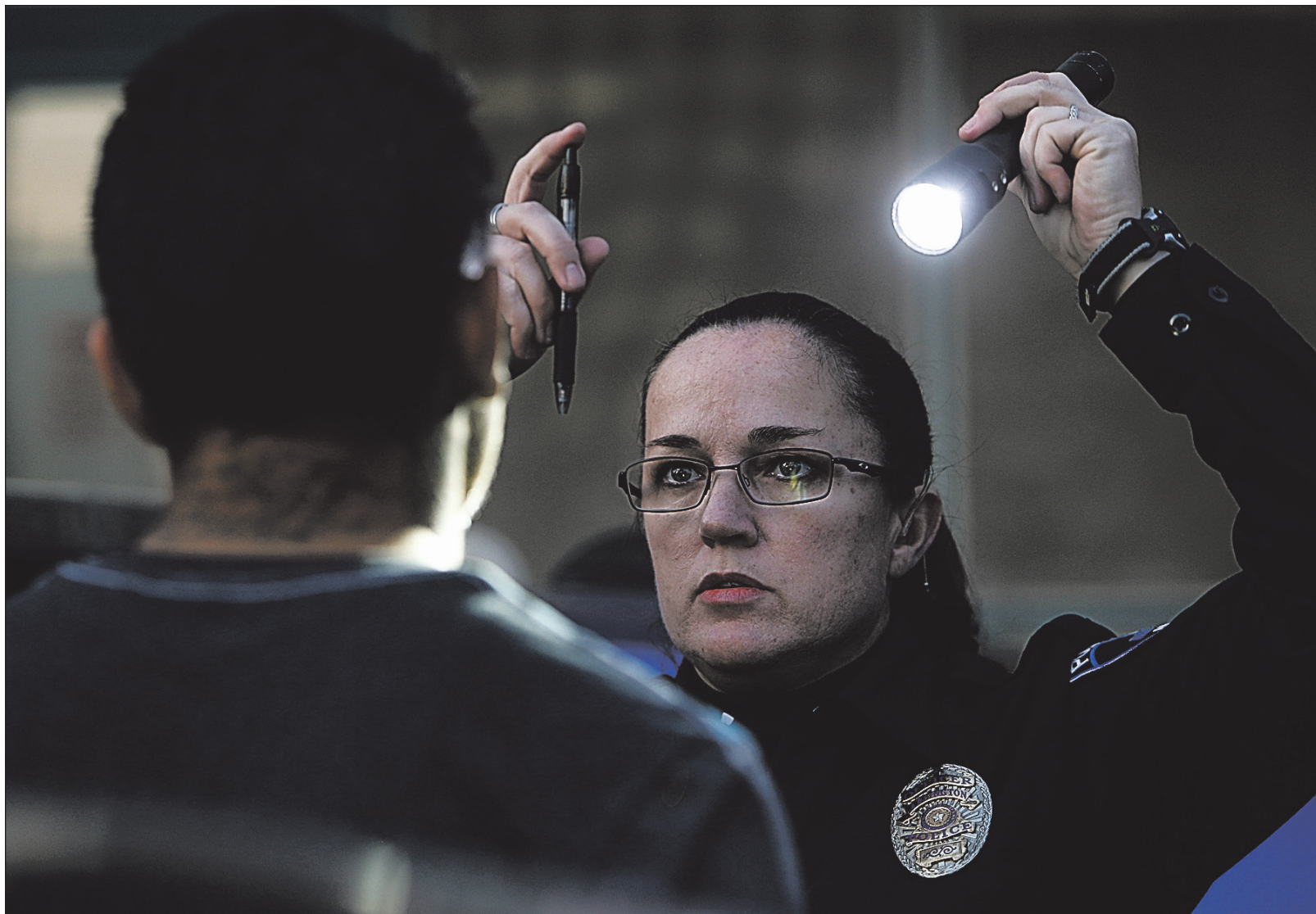
"She's the bad guy we all talk about, right?" Brown said. "That, I had a hard time with."

After her sister's death, Brown went into a deep depression. She'd lost not just her big sis, but her best friend. It was the most painful thing in her life. Still is.

She realized she needed to do something to prevent other families from having to go through the same thing. She joined the Arlington police force in 2005, and was picked for the driving while intoxicated unit two years later. She'd found her purpose.

Since then, she's arrested hundreds of people. Most of them get mad, call her names. She has to remind herself that's just the alcohol or drugs talking.

"This is not the worst thing that could happen to you — be glad you weren't killed," she often



Dallas Morning News: Rose Baca

DWI police officer Stacie Brown does a Horizontal Gaze Nystagmus test on a man arrest for a DWI on Dec. 14 at the Arlington Police Department in Arlington, Texas.

tells them. It doesn't always go over well.

But some people do thank her.



Nationwide, drunken driving deaths have fallen by more than half since 1982. But it remains a stubborn problem in Texas, where the rate of drunken driving fatalities per capita is nearly double the national average, according to the Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility.

In Texas last year, 960 people died in DWI-related crashes, state records show. Thirty-seven of those deaths were in Tarrant County, and 83 were in Dallas County.

Brown wants to make a bigger dent in those numbers. She knows her arrests help, but she tries to focus on prevention, too.

She speaks often at high schools, driver's ed courses and court-ordered classes for DWI offenders, sharing her experience as a victim's sister and as a cop. She shows the audience pictures of smashed cars and explains: Not one of these drivers expected to die that night. This could be you.

"They pay attention to her because she comes from both sides," said Terri Peaks, of Mothers Against Drunk Driving. "Her goal is to save lives. She's doing that in a number of ways, and we all benefit from it."

The department now lets Brown spend most of her shifts at speaking engagements. She has given 140 presentations this year.

"That wasn't in our job description, and she made it part of her job description," said Brown's partner, Officer Brendan Banks. "As officers, our experiences are

what help us be really good or not — and that's what makes her great at what she does."

Brown and her husband, Allen, a dog trainer, raised her sister's daughters, who were 9 and 1 when their mom died. They never had kids of their own, but they go on adventures together around the world, even scuba diving with sharks. They adopted and rehabbed Saint, a malnourished dog they saw on TV, who had been tied to a tree and shot with a pellet gun.

Brown has also led the "Santa Cop" program, which gives donated gifts to hundreds of poor kids at Christmastime.

"If I could sum Stacie up in one word," Banks said, "she's selfless."



Outside the police station, Brown glides a black pen from one side of the tattooed man's face to the other, telling him to watch it without moving his head. As she pauses on each side, the man's pupils bounce slightly back toward the middle.

That involuntary jerking is indicative of being on alcohol or drugs, Brown later says.

The man denies doing any drugs today — though he admits to doing meth yesterday. Brown thinks he's lying.

Still, she remains respectful. "They said you were combative out there, but you're being really nice to me," she tells him, taking his handcuffs off.

He needs his arms free to balance for the next sobriety tests. Walking foot to foot down a straight line. Balancing on one foot while counting. He fails

both.

Brown tells him she thinks he's intoxicated and she needs a sample of his blood. He can either allow a nurse to take his blood, or she can secure a judge's warrant and force him.

"Are you willing to give a specimen of blood?" she asks.

"Yes," he mumbles.

"I appreciate that," Brown says. They head to the hospital.

"I get cooperation because I treat them like a human being," Brown says as she drives. "I arrest a lot of really nice people. He's got an addiction. It's sad because it's affecting the kids."



At work, Brown tries not to dwell on her sister. She keeps a photo of her in her back pocket at all times, but on her cubicle wall, it's her nieces and husband who smile down as she types reports.

There are times, though, when she can't help but be reminded of Shelli. Last November, Brown and Banks had just left a MADD event when they were dispatched to investigate a bad wreck. A 25-year-old mother had driven into a telephone pole, injuring four of her kids.

They headed for the hospital to test the woman's sobriety. They determined that Valencia Freeman was drunk. (She would later plead guilty.) A doctor told the cops that the woman's 5-year-old daughter had died in a nearby room.

The officers looked at each other and knew what they had to do. It was unorthodox and definitely not department policy, but they decided to allow their sus-

pect to say goodbye to her daughter.

"She's already getting cold," Freeman had sobbed as she hugged her daughter.

The scene stuck with Brown. Brown had that same thought when she'd raced to her sister's side in the hospital. That's when she realized that "when the spirit's gone, the body changes."

Brown felt sympathy for the mother, despite being angry about what she had done. Banks cried too, thinking about his five children at home.

Then they took the woman to jail.



At Medical Center Arlington, a nurse pierces the suspect's arm and fills a syringe with his blood. If it tests positive for drugs, the evidence will later be used against him in court.

Swallowing back tears, the suspect — Christopher Tafolla, 26 — asks Brown what charges he'll face.

She ticks them off: Evading arrest. DWI with a child in the car. Endangering a child. Possession of cocaine.

"How bad is DWI with a child?" he asks.

"It's a state jail felony," she says.

He knows he's likely to be locked up for a long time for violating parole. His life as a free man, for now, is over.

But the way Brown sees it, his arrest actually gave him a chance to live. In fact, she wishes the cops had stopped her sister that night, before her crash.

At least she'd still be alive.

Texas judge halts transgender health protections

By Paul J. Weber

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN, Texas — A federal judge in Texas on Saturday ordered a halt to another Obama administration effort to strengthen transgender rights, this time over health rules that social conservatives say could force doctors to violate their religious beliefs.

The latest injunction signed by U.S. District Judge Reed O'Connor comes four months after he blocked a higher-profile new set of transgender protections — a federal directive that required public schools to let transgender students use bathrooms consistent with their gender identity. Several of

the Republican-controlled states that brought that lawsuit, including Texas, also sued over the health regulations that were finalized in May.

Civil rights groups had hailed the new health rules as groundbreaking anti-discrimination protections. The Transgender Legal Defense & Education Fund said the new U.S. Health and Human Services regulations advised that certain forms of transgender discrimination by doctors, hospitals and insurers violated the Affordable Care Act.

But a coalition of religious medical organizations said the rules could force doctors to help with gender transition contrary to their religious

beliefs or medical judgment. O'Connor agreed in his 46-page ruling, saying the rules place "substantial pressure on Plaintiffs to perform and cover transition and abortion procedures."

The rules were set to take effect Sunday.

"Plaintiffs will be forced to either violate their religious beliefs or maintain their current policies which seem to be in direct conflict with the Rule and risk the severe consequences of enforcement," O'Connor wrote.

Transgender rights advocates have called that a far-fetched hypothetical, saying a doctor who lacked suitable experience and expertise.

The Transgender Legal

Defense & Education Fund criticized the injunction as contrary to existing law and said it expects the ruling to be overturned on appeal.

"Judge O'Connor's conclusion that transgender people and persons who have had abortions are somehow exempted from protection is deeply troubling, legally specious, and morally repugnant," said Ezra Young, the organization's director of impact litigation.

Federal officials did not immediately react to the ruling, and adding to the uncertainty is a new administration under President-elect Donald Trump. Many transgender people expect him to abandon or weaken the transgender protection efforts pursued

by the Obama administration. Trump sent mixed signals about his approach to transgender rights during his campaign, at one point saying transgender celebrity Caitlyn Jenner could use whatever bathroom she preferred in one of his luxury buildings.

At the same time, Trump has declined to repudiate a divisive North Carolina law that restricts transgender people's bathroom access. He has said such policy decisions should be left up to the states.

O'Connor's ruling also comes amid the fears of transgender people that more GOP-governed states will approve legislation limiting transgender rights and will

reject proposals to expand such rights.

Joining Texas in the lawsuit over the health regulations were Wisconsin, Kentucky, Nebraska and Kansas, along with the Christian Medical and Dental Association and Franciscan Alliance, an Indiana-based network of religious hospitals.

The Obama administration finalized the regulations around the time it issued its directive to public schools regarding transgender students. Thirteen states signed on to fight that directive, including three involved in the health regulations lawsuit, and won a temporary injunction in August from O'Connor.

Skandera criticizes charter school moratorium

SOUTHWEST ROUNDUP

Rate cuts canceled for Medicaid

SANTA FE — Companies that offer behavioral health care to Medicaid patients will not face planned cuts in rate payments from the New Mexico Human Services Department.

Reductions would have been implemented Jan. 1 as a result of a state budget signed by Gov. Susana Martinez, the Santa Fe New Mexican reported.

Medicaid has faced cuts since drops in oil and gas revenue removed millions from the state budget.

Human Services Department spokesman Kyler Nerison did not respond Friday to questions about why the rate cuts were reversed.

Officials last spring wanted to save \$30 million in Medicaid costs. That \$30 million reduction would have led to the loss of \$110 million in matching federal funds.

It's unknown whether the \$30 million was made up elsewhere after the rate cuts were eliminated.

Conviction tossed in baby death

SANTA FE — A man could go to trial again in the death of a baby born following a collision.

The Albuquerque Journal reports New Mexico's appeals court ruled a mistrial should have been declared in Ramon A. Hernandez case because an officer testified about information that was previously ruled inadmissible.

Aileen Smith's baby Dimitri died a minute after he was delivered.

She said after the appeals court ruling that it is devastating.

Smith and her husband Zach have lobbied for tougher consequences for DWIs.

Las Vegas District Attorney Richard Flores was unavailable for comment.

Attorney Ben Andrew Mondragon said he plans to move for his client's case to be dismissed under double jeopardy.

Two drove truck into gun store

RIO RANCHO — Authorities are investigating a burglary at a Rio Rancho gun store where two men drove a stolen pickup truck through the business' entrance in the middle of the night.

Rio Rancho police say several guns were stolen during Monday's burglary at Bulldog Firearms.

Surveillance video shows the men exiting the truck after it smashed into the store.

The men left in the truck, which was later found on the side of a road in Albuquerque.

Rural NM exports mentoring model

ESPANOLA — A mentoring program for physicians in isolated, rural areas is being tapped by the federal government in efforts to expand access to specialized care.

The unconventional system could hold particular promise for containing America's opioid addiction epidemic. At a health clinic in New Mexico's Espanola Valley, training by videoconference ensures a pregnant mother gets treatment to stay off heroin.

Project ECHO's long-distance training for physicians, their assistants and nurse practitioners mimics the mentoring that interns and residents receive at elite urban hospitals.

The effort by the University of New Mexico now extends to dozen of chronic medical conditions, and has been replicated in 30 states and other countries including India, Brazil, Namibia and Northern Ireland. Under the federal ECHO Act, it could be integrated into one of the world's largest health care systems.

By Kim Burgess
ALBUQUERQUE JOURNAL

ALBUQUERQUE — New Mexico Secretary of Education Hanna Skandera blasted a Democratic legislator's proposed 2-year charter school moratorium, calling the plan an irresponsible overreach that would harm students.

"The governor and I feel very strongly about this issue," Skandera said. "Our kids should come first every step of the way. What that means is every parent deserves a choice to give them an opportunity to make decisions in the best interest of their student, and charters provide that."

Under the bill introduced by Rep. Christine Trujillo, D-Albuquerque, no new charter schools would be approved in New Mexico from June

1, 2017, to Jan. 1, 2020. Skandera recognized that some New Mexico charter schools are not offering a high-quality education, but she said a moratorium is extreme and inappropriate.

"That would be like taking the pendulum and having it swing way over and missing the point," she added. "What's the point of a charter school? It's giving students an option, a public school option, that allows for them to make sure that their needs are met."

Rather than halt all new charters, the state should hold low-performing schools to stricter standards and close them if they can't improve, Skandera said.

Trujillo argued that the state needs to take a breather to review the charter school system, which has been criticized for poor fiscal oversight

and heavy use of public funds.

The retired educator and former American Federation of Teachers state president said she is not anti-charter, but wants more accountability.

"I work with the charter schools; I am not an opponent of charter schools," said Trujillo, whose sister teaches at a Taos charter. "We need to stop and reassess what is going on and how do we best address things for the community."

A number of organizations back some form of a charter school moratorium, including the New Mexico Coalition of Educational Leaders, New Mexico School Superintendents Association and New Mexico School Boards Association.

Joe Guillen, NMSBA executive director, has supported the idea for several years because he thinks the

charter funding formula is unfair to traditional public schools.

According to a report from the Legislative Education Study Committee and Legislative Finance Committee, charters collect more from the state per student than school districts - \$8,728 versus \$7,639.

Districts and charters are essentially competing for students, who take funding with them if they leave a traditional public school for an alternative.

With oil and gas revenues decreasing, New Mexico doesn't have any money to spare this year. Every part of the state budget has been slashed to address a large deficit, and education is going to take a hit. Albuquerque Public Schools could lose up to \$29 million for the current fiscal year, with more cuts to come for fiscal year 2018.

Planned Parenthood asks judge to halt Texas Medicaid cuts

By Paul J. Weber
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

AUSTIN, Texas — Planned Parenthood has asked a federal judge to stop Texas from cutting it from the state's Medicaid program, which the nation's largest abortion provider says would reduce health services for nearly 11,000 low-income women.

The request to U.S. District Sam Sparks was filed late Friday in Austin and is part of an ongoing lawsuit filed last year. Texas is one of several Republican-controlled states that have sought to deny Medicaid funding to Planned Parenthood following the release of secretly recorded and heavily edited videos by an anti-abortion group last year.

Investigations by 13 states into those videos have concluded without criminal charges, and Planned Parenthood officials have denied any wrongdoing. A Houston grand jury indicted two activists behind the videos over how they covertly gained access inside a Planned Parenthood clinic, but a judge later dismissed the charges.

Federal judges have stopped Arkansas, Alabama, Kansas and Mississippi from similarly excluding Planned Parenthood from Medicaid reimbursements in wake of the videos. Texas is set to cut off Planned Parenthood as early as Jan. 21 unless Sparks grants an injunction.

Sparks had previously set a hearing in the case for Jan. 17.

"Courts have unanimously prevented these terminations and agreed that preventing Medicaid enrollees from obtaining care from the qualified provider of their choice violates federal law," attorneys for Planned Parenthood wrote in their request for an injunction.

Aides to Republican Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton did not immediately respond to an email seeking comment Saturday.

Paxton's office has said it is still investigating the videos — more than 18 months after launching an inquiry. But Texas health officials in the meantime pointed to the videos in sending a letter earlier this month to Planned Parenthood, which the state accuses of making misleading statements.

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One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each day the code letters are different.

12-31 CRYPTOQUOTE

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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: AND THE DAY CAME WHEN THE RISK TO REMAIN TIGHT IN A BUD WAS MORE PAINFUL THAN THE RISK IT TOOK TO BLOSSOM. — ANAIS NIN

TODAY IN HISTORY

In 1863, President Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation, declaring that slaves in rebel states shall be "forever free."
In 1913, the U.S. Parcel Post system went into operation.
In 1945, France was admitted to the United Nations.
In 1953, country singer Hank Williams Sr., 29, was discovered dead in the back seat of his car during a stop in Oak Hill, West Virginia, while he was being driven to a concert date in Canton, Ohio.
In 1959, Fidel Castro and his revolutionaries overthrew Cuban leader Fulgencio Batista, who fled to the Dominican Republic.
In 1975, a jury in Washington found Nixon administration officials John N. Mitchell, H.R. Haldeman, John D. Ehrlichman and Robert C. Mardian guilty of charges related to the Watergate cover-up (Mardian's conviction for conspiracy was later overturned on appeal).
In 1979, the United States and China held celebrations in Washington and Beijing to mark the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries.
In 1984, the breakup of AT&T took place as the telecommunications giant was divested of its 22 Bell System companies under terms of an antitrust agreement.
In 1992, Boutros Boutros-Ghali succeeded Javier Perez de Cuellar (hah-vee-EHR' PEHR'-ehs day KWAY'-yahr) as secretary-general of the United Nations.
In 1994, the North American Free Trade Agreement went into effect.
In 2014, the nation's first legal recreational pot shops opened in Colorado at 8 a.m. Mountain time.
Today's Birthdays: Actor Ty Hardin is 87. Actor Frank Langella is 79. Writer-comedian Don Novello is 74. Actor Rick Hurst is 71. Rapper Grandmaster Flash is 59. Actress Ren Woods is 59. Actress Dedee Pfeiffer is 53. Actress Embeth Davidtz is 51. Actor Morris Chestnut is 48. Actor Verne Troyer is 48. Elin Nordegren is 37. Actor Jonas Armstrong is 36. Actress Eden Riegel is 36. Olympic gold medal ice dancer Meryl Davis is 30. Rock musician Noah Sierota (Echosmith) is 21.
Thought for Today: "If you asked me for my New Year Resolution, it would be to find out who I am." — Cyril Cusack, Irish actor (1910-1993).

HOROSCOPES

Sunday, Jan. 1, 2017

Eugenia Last

Take the first step toward personal freedom. It's time to pursue a new adventure. Be open to suggestions, but don't let anyone take charge or crowd you space. It's your life and your choices that should dictate what you are going to do next. Set your plan in motion.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Don't let the words or actions of others confuse you. Stick to your principles and plan. Keep your life simple and focused on achieving personal success. Don't fold under pressure.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Something good is within reach. An unexpected offering or proposal will get you thinking about new possibilities. A change will do you good. Start a new diet and exercise regimen.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — An idea you have could change your life, but before you jump in you should consider the downside and the cost involved. The response you get from friends will be telling.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — It's time to work hard for positive change. A productive plan that will send you in a favorable direction personally and professionally will set the stage for a bright future.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Plan your strategy for the upcoming year. Preparation will help you reach your goals quickly. Your intelligence, keen perception and imaginative mind will lead to prosperity.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Consider what is and isn't possible. Weed out any ideas that are likely to slow you down or cause you to miss your goal. Stay focused, and set your course.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Don't let your emotions lead you astray. Don't overspend or make a donation that you cannot afford just because someone makes you feel guilty. Look out for your best interests.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Put time aside for the ones you love. Share your thoughts and plans, and make any adjustments necessary. Romance is favored and will improve your No. 1 relationship.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — How you move forward at home or the ways in which you ensure having some leftover cash for things you enjoy will lead to positive progress.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Return to basics and strategize about how you are going to handle a financial or physical deficit due to past indulgence or extravagance. Romance will help improve your life.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — If you limit your expenditures and live modestly, you will put together a solid plan that will ensure your personal and professional success. It's a new year and a new beginning.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Stick to your word, and refuse to get into a debate with friends or relatives about a decision you've made. It's your life, your happiness and your future.

Newsday Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Wag
 - 8 Frolicsome
 - 13 Symbol for an object
 - 15 Surfboard storage site
 - 16 Banjo sequence
 - 17 Caterer's discard
 - 18 In public
 - 19 Diversionary tactic
 - 21 "Take it away!"
 - 22 ___ Center (Atlanta tourist attraction)
 - 23 Is swooning over
 - 24 See 27 Across
 - 25 Film often shot in stages
 - 27 With 24 Across, ill-fated grocery debut of 1985
 - 28 Out now
 - 29 Cast off
 - 31 Check from an act
 - 33 Sale announcement of a sort
 - 35 Square since the '80s
 - 37 Mexican progenitor
 - 39 Earliest-born Oscar actor (*Disraeli*, 1929)
 - 42 Choice to minimize clashing
 - 45 Word with etymology similar to "feud"
 - 47 What Aqua Chem is made to remove
 - 48 As recently as
 - 49 Oversee a port transfer
 - 51 Spot hiked by Twain in *A Tramp Abroad*
 - 52 Awardee of America's oldest pro-sports trophy

- DOWN**
- 1 Washouts
 - 2 Word in an endocrine system diagram
 - 3 Kick oneself for
 - 4 Name of two *Bridge of Spies* co-writers
 - 5 You're instructed to "beat it" in "Eat It"
 - 6 Tried to sell
 - 7 Bring pessimism into
 - 53 Source of brilliant bands
 - 54 Angel's opposite
 - 55 Italian progenitor
 - 57 Ilsa, to Rick
 - 59 They might range from green to red
 - 60 Sarcastic shout of nonsuccess
 - 61 Merest hints
 - 62 Virtuosity

SATURDAY STUMPER by Brad Wilber
Edited by Stanley Newman
www.stanxwords.com

- 8 "How often have I ___ beneath rain": Faulkner
- 9 Name associated with honesty
- 10 Some investment criteria
- 11 Bulls' traditional rivals
- 12 What Katharine Hepburn called herself
- 14 Legendary turncoat knight
- 15 Program executors, for short
- 20 Together again
- 23 Golf attire staple
- 24 Gosling collaborator in *The Big Short*
- 26 Word from the Greek for "fine language"
- 28 Scrutinize
- 30 Ankle tickler, maybe
- 32 American acquisition of 2001
- 34 Point (to)
- 36 Orange sauce in French cuisine
- 38 Insulate
- 40 They're cured for heroes
- 41 Harry Potter novels et al.
- 42 Activity for stunt coordinators
- 43 Depict as innocent, say
- 44 Insincere agreement
- 46 Certain wind shield
- 49 What clubs hit you with
- 50 Metaphorical floor
- 53 "Fire" brigade?
- 54 Mishandled
- 56 Spousal ___
- 58 Woman in white in 100+ ads

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Conceptis Sudoku By Dave Green

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Answer to previous puzzle

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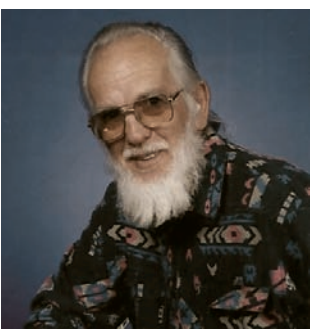
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Obituaries

Charles E. "Chuck" Naslund

March 31, 1936 – December 23, 2016

Charles E. "Chuck" Naslund 80, of Amarillo died Friday, December 23, 2016, in Amarillo.



A private Celebration of Life service will be held at a later date. Cremation was by Rector Funeral Home Osage Chapel, 2800 S. Osage St.

Chuck was born in March 31, 1936, in San Diego, CA. He was a long-time resident of Clovis, where he worked as a butcher for Swift & Co. for more than 20 years. He served in the Marine Reserves. Chuck moved to Amarillo 10 years ago from Clovis.

He is survived by three sons and several grandchildren.

Dr. John T. Decker

Dr. John T. Decker died at his home in Fort Collins, Colorado on December 28, 2016, due to complications of metastasized liver cancer. He was 83 years old.



The son of Hermann and Jean Decker, John grew up with the love and encouragement of a lively extended family. John was raised in Portales, New Mexico where he attended public schools, and then graduated from Eastern New Mexico University. In his later years, it was clear through John's stories that the lessons he learned from the people of that small New Mexico community continued to influence him throughout his life.

John received his medical degree from Stanford University in 1958. He then served in the United States Army Medical Corps, first at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, TX, and then at Walter Reed Medical Center in Washington, DC. He was Chief of Pathology at Fitzsimmon's Medical Center in Denver, Colorado, and held the rank of Lt. Colonel when he retired from the military in 1968. For the next 35 years, John practiced medicine with the pathology team at Poudre Valley Hospital in Fort Collins, Colorado where he earned the respect of his peers and colleagues.

A quiet, unassuming man, John was highly accomplished and possessed a unique brilliance; he had a deep interest in the world around him. John was known for his ability to wake up the room with his insightful and startling wit. John expressed his love and affection with acts of kindness and he was a constant source of strength and support for his family. He was generous, and thoughtful; he was a decent man.

John married Carolyn Fuller in 1963 and they had two children, Ingrid and Susan. They enjoyed many good years together until Carolyn's death in 1992. In 1994, John met Marie Schaffner and they managed to knit their individual family's into one good-sized very energetic extended family doesn't always work, but did this time! They knew they were lucky.

Though John and Marie shared many interests, he was at heart a solitary man. He found solace and inspiration in books, music, and nature. John was an avid amateur photographer and especially enjoyed stomping around with field glasses, camera and tripod in search of critters. Favorite places to visit included Colorado's Rocky Mountains, the Grand Tetons, Santa Fe, and the California coast.

Survivors include his wife Marie; his daughters, Ingrid Decker (Dave Rorabeck) and Susan Decker (Michael Krueger); his stepchildren, Monica Haenselman (Kevin Pykkonen), Leah Haenselman (Rob Luckett) and Spencer Schaffner (Melissa Littlefield), and their families which include ten grandchildren. John cherished many and to name a few: his nieces Sharon Smith (David Moon) and Chris Campbell, and nephew Bud Smith, Carolyn's folks which include his brother-in-law Robert Fuller (Mary Lou), and his lifelong best friend JZ Ainsworth (Liza).

He was preceded in death by his sister, Marilyn Smith and nephew Brian Smith.

Sincere thanks to all who called, stopped by, sent notes and e-mails during the many months of John's illness, your love and good cheer made all the difference.

A graveside farewell is scheduled for January 7, 2017, at 1:30 PM at Green Mountain Cemetery in Boulder, Colorado. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Pathways Hospice, 305 Carpenter Road, Fort Collins, CO. 80525.

Funerals

Today

Laura Lynn Martin Squires — 2 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, Hobbs

Saturday

John T. Decker — 1:30 p.m. at Green Mountain Cemetery, Boulder, Colorado

Jan. 10

Sharon Cowman — 6 p.m. at The Chapel, Clovis

Roy Albert Brown II

September 5, 1953 – December 27, 2016

Roy Albert Brown II 63, of Clovis, NM, died Tuesday, December 27, 2016, in Rural Roosevelt County, New Mexico. Services will be held on Thursday, January 5, 2017, 11:00 am, at St. Johns Baptist Church, with Pastor Joe Callahan officiating. William Cannon, Raymond Fox, George Houston, Paul Young, Dewey Patton, and Douglass Hunter will serve as pallbearers. His children are Honorary pallbearers. Burial will follow at Mission Garden of Memories, Clovis, NM.



Roy Brown II was born September 5, 1953, in Houston, TX, to Roy Albert Brown and Ruthie Mae Jenkins Brown. He was a truck driver. Roy enjoyed fishing and cooking. He was a member of St. John's Baptist Church.

Survivors include: four sons; Edward Brown and fiance; Melissa Griffith of Floyd, Roy Albert Brown III of Portales, Marcus Spicer of Clovis, and Kory Lambirth of Russellville, AR, four daughters; Laura Brown of Albuquerque, Tynasha Aubrey-Brown of Clovis, Odessa Lambert of Cheyenne, WY, and Vera Brown of Denver, CO, his mother; Ruthie Mae (Jesse-stepfather) Walker, six brothers; David Brown of Houston, TX, James Walker of Bossier City, LA, Curtis Walker Newton, MS, Jewel Walker of El Paso, TX, Marvin Walker of Clovis, and Jesse Walker of Amarillo, TX, eight sisters; Linda McPherson of Clovis, NM, Brenda Rison of Baltimore, MD, Cheryl Colar of Houston, TX, Carolyn Phillips, Brenda Walker, Gloria Walker, Patricia Walker all of Clovis, and Michelle Hamilton of College Station, TX, and 22 Grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by: his father; Roy Albert Brown and brothers; David Walker and Donald Brown.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Muffley Funeral Home 575 762-4435 muffleyfuneralhome.com

Laura Lynn Squires

February 14, 1948 – December 24, 2016

Laura Lynn Martin Squires died on December 24, 2016, in Hobbs, New Mexico after an extended illness.



Laura was born in Clayton, NM on February 14, 1948, to Hayden and Verna Martin. Her family moved to Dora, New Mexico for a few years and then moved to Portales where Laura graduated from high school in 1965, she then attended ENMU. Laura moved to Hobbs and worked for Credit Bureau Services and New Mexico Bank and Trust. She married Larry C. Squires in 1975 and lived on the family ranch west of Hobbs for 25 years before moving into town where she resided until the time of her death.

Laura was a volunteer at Good Samaritan. She was a member of the first United Methodist Church and the Women's Golf Association at Hobbs Country Club.

Laura was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Kenneth D. Martin.

She is survived by her husband of 42 years, Larry C. Squires; two sisters, Donna Rolan of Clovis and Mary Goff of Portales; and three children by marriage, Susan Squires Foster of Hobbs, William Larry Squires and wife, Linda, of Hobbs, and Ronald Walker Squires and partner, Frank Pennino, of Santa Barbara, California; grandchildren, Alan Squires of Las Vegas, Nevada, Emily Squires of Austin, Texas, Allison Foster Torres and husband Anthony of Acworth, Georgia and one great-granddaughter, Lola Torres of Acworth.

A memorial service will be held on January 3, 2017, at 2:00 pm, at First United Methodist Church in Hobbs with the Rev. Matt Bridges officiating. Family requests that instead of flowers please donate to the American Cancer Society, cancer.org, or a charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Chapel of Hope Funeral Home, Hobbs, NM. Condolences may be made online at: www.chapelofhopefunerals.com

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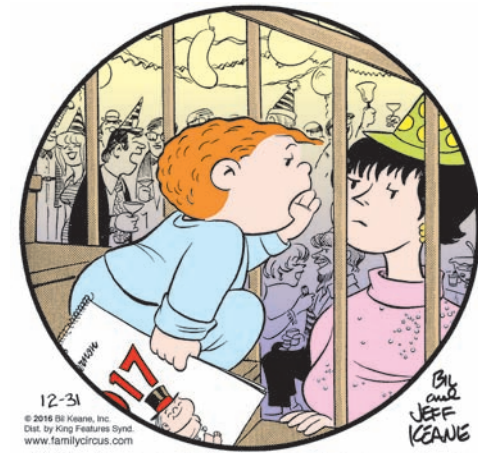
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers Monday)



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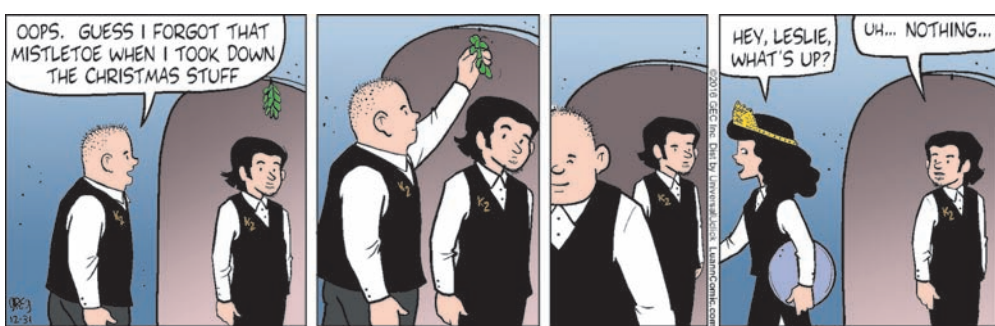
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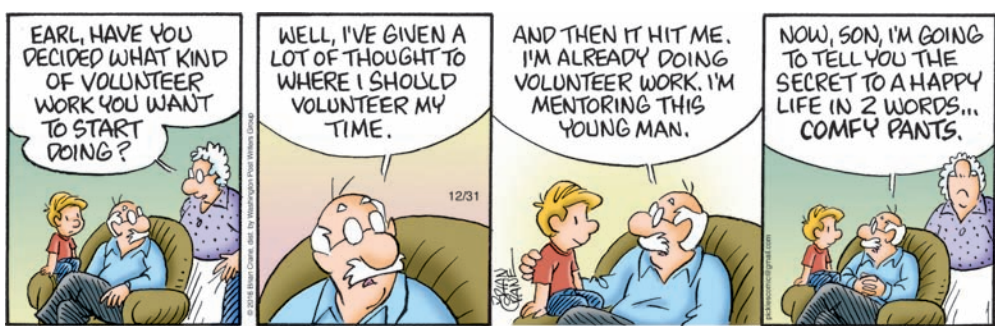
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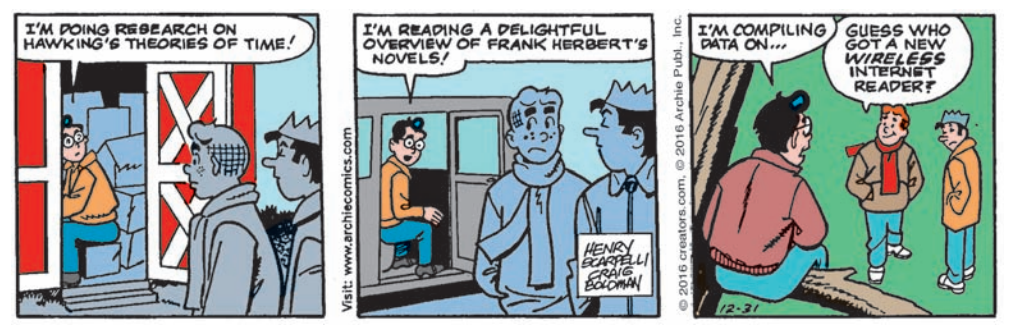
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Neighbor hits reader's last nerve with morning antics

DEAR ANNIE: I'm fed up with my neighbors across the street. They are a family of four — with two kids who are about 4 and 6 years old. The mom is really the one who's bothering me. Daytime is not a problem, as I'm at work. Nighttime is not a problem; the kids play on the trampoline in their front yard, and I actually smile sometimes seeing them. (Brings me back to those days of not having a care in the world. And what kids play outside these days anyway?) Morning, on the other hand, is becoming increas-



Dear Annie

Syndicated Column

ingly frustrating for me. You see, Mom has a habit of broadcasting their entire morning routine to the whole street.

When trying to shuffle the kids out to the car for school, she's yelling from inside the house: "Augie, I SAID wash your hands and grab your lunch!" Once they're in the driveway, she's demanding, "Ava, NO! Not in the street! You're going to get hit." Her voice is high and shrill. It reminds me of an evil teacher I had in fourth grade. Strapping the kids in the car is a whole third ordeal. One time, her son locked the doors, so she couldn't get in the car. I can't help but wonder whether he's acting up to get a rise out

of her (and I chuckle). This scene happens every morning around 7 a.m. — and even on Saturdays and Sundays! Though I do appreciate these free lessons on how NOT to parent my children, I'm literally tired of it, as it wakes me up and I can't go back to sleep. And I don't want to hear someone else's business shouted up and down the block. A friend suggested I slip an anonymous note in their mailbox asking them to be mindful of the volume. Would that be rude? I don't have kids yet, but I do

sympathize with the challenge of being a mom. What should I do? — **NANCY ACROSS THE WAY**

DEAR NANCY: We have a tendency in our society to always blame the mom. Being a working mother to two young children is challenging. (I know the feeling.) So do try to cut her some slack. She may be a perfectly pleasant person most of the time. That being said, I might approach her in a polite way and let her know that her morning voice is noticeably loud and

carries across the neighborhood. My guess is she's in such a rush every morning that she never stops to realize she is screaming. She would probably appreciate the info.

Send your questions for Annie Lane to dearannie@creators.com. To find out more about Annie Lane and read features by other Creators Syndicate columnists and cartoonists, visit the Creators Syndicate website at www.creators.com.

OUR PEOPLE



Courtesy photos

Above: Brittany and Jerry Gonzales pose for an engagement photo in 2011.

Right: The Gonzales family poses for an Easter photo in 2016.



BIO

► **Name:** Brittany Gonzales
 ► **Age:** 31
 ► **Profession:** Inventory Clerk at Dairy Farmers of America in Portales

► **Hometown:** Portales
 ► **Family:** Husband, Jerry Gonzales; daughters, Lilly Gonzales, 3, and Ruby Gonzales, 1.

Never a dull moment for clerk

Brittany Gonzales grew up in Texico. She now calls Portales home with her husband, Jerry Gonzales, whose hometown is Portales. The two married in 2012. They have two daughters, Lilly and Ruby.

Gonzales enjoys watching her girls ride horses, play outside and her husband team roping. She said there is never a dull moment in the Gonzales house — full of little girls. "They keep me busy and laughing all the time," she said.

Gonzales said that when she's not chasing her little ones around, she also enjoys working in her yard planting flowers.

Gonzales is an inventory clerk at Dairy Farmers of America in Portales. She has worked for the company for seven years.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT YOUR JOB?

I'm working at a milk plant where we dry milk and turn it into a powder. It's very interesting to see just how far our product gets shipped around the world and what all it goes into.

WHAT'S YOUR IDEA OF A PERFECT DAY?

A perfect day would be hanging out with my husband and girls. The girls love to play at the park and go for ice cream.

TELL US HOW YOU MET YOUR SPOUSE.

I met Jerry through a mutual friend. He actually showed up to my birthday party and sang "Happy Birthday" to me over the loud speaker. At the time I thought he was just some out-of-control person, but little did I know he would be my husband down the road.

WHEN YOU WERE A KID, WHAT DID YOU THINK YOU'D BE DOING AS AN ADULT?

I thought I would be a flight attendant. I have always liked traveling and thought what a neat job it would be, seeing so many places.

TELL US ABOUT YOUR PET(S).

We have three dogs, a basset hound and two heelers. Our basset's name is Henry, who is most definitely a family dog, very easy going and slow moving. The heelers (Sally Joe and Duke) are the best alarm system.

WHAT IS THE BEST GIFT YOU EVER RECEIVED?

The best gift I ever received has probably been my wedding ring. It's more than I could have ever dreamed of and hand-picked by my sweet husband.

WHAT IS THE BEST GIFT YOU'VE EVER GIVEN?

I put together a toy drive at work that was very last minute, but the DFA

employees didn't hold back and brought lots of gifts that were donated to the Children's Christian Home in Portales. Putting a smile on a kid's face is priceless and sure warms the heart.

WHO'S INVITED TO YOUR FANTASY DINNER PARTY AND WHY?

Kate Middleton would be invited. I think she is a classy lady and I would like to hear what she thinks of her new life as royalty.

WHERE IS YOUR FAVORITE PLACE YOU'VE TRAVELED?

New York City. I loved the fast lifestyle and seeing so much going on.

WHAT PLACE WOULD YOU LIKE TO TRAVEL TO AND WHY?

I would like to take my girls to Disney in California. Getting to see lots of princesses would sure create smiles that would last a lifetime.

WHAT DO YOU ENVISION YOUR LIFE BEING LIKE IN 10 YEARS?

My husband and I would love to have a house built out in the country and following our girls around doing what they love to do — riding in rodeos or playing a sport they love.



Courtesy photo

Gonzales' daughters Lilly Jane, 3 and Ruby Sue, 1, pose for a photo.

— Compiled by
CMI Correspondent
D'Nieka Hartsfield

We must have hope for our country

I'm choosing hope in 2017 — hopefully you'll join me. With the wounds from this political season still too fresh to touch, many of both political stripes have decided to wallow in despair. That's probably not going to get us anywhere regardless of whether Donald J. Trump is the right guy at the right time or not.

First Lady Michelle Obama got it right when she surmised during her final interview as first lady with Oprah, "hope is necessary." Unfortunately, just before that remark she told a nation looking for inspiration that we now feel what it's like not to have hope.

We expect more from our lead-

ers, we expect some inspiration and the notion that things will get better. Don't tell us all hope is lost.

Who would follow a military officer into battle if that officer communicated to the troops beforehand that the situation was hopeless? OK, I guess Col. Travis pulled that one off at the Alamo but the hope of freedom for their families was tangible to the defenders of the Alamo.

Presidents over my lifetime, with the possible exception of Richard Nixon, who infamously told the press in his exit press interview "you won't have Nixon to kick around anymore," had a



Karl Terry
Local columnist

positive overall message and outlook. Even Nixon's outlook toward the country was pretty good, he just didn't care too much for the press at that point.

We expect our presidents to tell us things are going to be OK. We want to be assured there is hope for the future.

Ronald Reagan did this best I believe. Some thought his ideals and hopefulness were all lollipops and sugar plums, but after the long Cold War I felt better when he talked about the "shining mansion on the hill" in his farewell address.

Trump did a great job of painting our country as very near hopeless during his campaign. I hope his message will begin including hope for our future. We need that and, if expressed plainly and sincerely, it's the best thing to heal wounds and unite our country.

Barack Obama is every bit the "Great Orator" that Reagan was and as he leaves, I hope he uses

that gift in a positive way.

I'm not hopeful that either man will find it in himself to use their position as a pulpit for positive inspiration. I am hopeful that our country is greater than any single human leader. I believe, in large, we all have the innate moral compass that will guide us to greater things.

Michelle Obama is going to be alright when she leaves the White House and our nation is going to survive a Trump presidency.

Join me in hope.

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Good year for a makeover

Yesterday's end is today's new beginning. Welcome, everyone, to your 2017 makeover.

Whatever your style goals are today and moving forward, it never hurt anyone to dress for success. It's OK to be tired of your same old look and stepping outside of your comfort wardrobe pieces should be done every once in a while.

There are nice, subtle ways to amp up your style. Just because it's a new year doesn't mean you have to go to new extremes. All you need is some fine tuning to



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get you feeling and looking great and ready to take on your more important goals.

Are you secretly a fan of bold statement makeup? Try on some sparkle. From a neutral matte finish to extreme dark colors, your favorite lipsticks have stepped it up a notch with bold glitters. You'll probably

notice some bold shades of yellow, blues and more from your favorites cosmetic companies. MAC cosmetics released 29 new bold shades in late 2016.

For your hair, go big. No one can deny that when you change your hair, you change your attitude. Maybe your hair can be a little bigger this year. Dare to try the short cut you've always wanted to do. Remember, hair grows back, so take some chances and make some fun changes. Trendy hair is never too far away from hair extensions in the new year. Going long to short, blue to bold high-

lights are certainly okay, and you can change it as often as you like.

If you love all things glam, don't be shy about it. Put lipstick on more often. Wear statement accessories. Polish your nails more. Some trends to look out for in spring 2017 are slits in sleeves and exposed shoulders, waist cinchers on top of garments and the fashion robe trend continues.

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On the shelves

The following books are available for checkout at:

Clovis-Carver Public Library

I Will Send Rain by Rae Meadows unspools in 1934 Mulehead, OK, as Annie Bell and her family struggle when the Dust Bowl descends - with dust covering every person and thing, drying out the wheat harvests, and finding all who don't pack up and leave longing for rain. While their fragile young son suffers from dust pneumonia and daughter Birdie discovers first love, Annie's husband is plagued by disturbing dreams of rain, and Annie flirts with the affections of an unlikely admirer, forcing her to choose who she is going to become.

Perfume River by Robert Olen Butler bristles with family conflict as estranged fathers, sons, and grandsons with differing perspectives on the value of military service are unwillingly thrown back together. Although having adjusted to their circumstances, each carries secrets, legacies of the Vietnam War and WWII, that if shared just might bring reconciliation, but will they be able to leave the past behind them?

Triple Crown by (Dick) Felix Francis returns Jeff Hinkley, investigator for the British Horseracing Authority, who is asked by the U.S. FACSA to find a mole who has been passing on information to those under suspicion in American horse racing. After a failed raid at Churchill Downs leaving one person dead, Jeff goes undercover and unearths corruption that will stop at nothing, including

murder, to capture the most elusive prize in world sport.

Amelia Earhart: Beyond the Grave by W.C. Jameson combines reams of government documents, eyewitness accounts, and newspaper clippings from the period-presenting a surprisingly plausible theory for the disappearance of the pioneer aviator, the first woman to fly solo over the Atlantic in 1928, questioning if Amelia's plane really crashed and sank, or was her fate entirely different?

Rancher, Farmer, Fisherman by Miriam weaves a picture of hope from the stories of five Americans whose work places them on the front lines of conservation, working to preserve the world around them. Their compelling stories illuminate the complexity of the challenges posed by a changing climate, and teach that the solutions must be grounded in both humanity and science, not just regulators in Washington, D.C.

2017 Guide to the Night Sky by Storm Dunlop and Wil Tirion is the ideal guide for beginning sky watchers. With monthly charts and other diagrams fully updated to 2017, it shows how the visible stars change from month to month presenting the many sky events that occur throughout the year. Included is information on meteors (with dates of showers, including hourly rate of radiants), the planets, activity charts and moon calendars, ecliptic charts, diagrams of interesting events, with sky and constellation maps throughout.

— Summaries by library staff

Learn how to make chic wall art

Information on using vintage crates and old boards, cooking with fish, and the components of a "living sexy fit" lifestyle will be the featured topics on "Creative Living" on Tuesday at 9:30 p.m. and on Thursday at noon. (All times are Mountain.)

Bruce Johnson is the spokesperson for Minwax which is located in Upper Saddle River, New Jersey. He is going to share some new uses for vintage crates and old boards. Whether you use actual vintage crates or buy unfinished ones, you can turn these into decorative and functional items to use around the house.

Fish is so versatile, and according to registered dietitian Pat Baird, fish has nutrition benefits that other foods just don't have. It's also easy to prepare and kid-friendly. Baird represents the National Fisheries Institute, and she lives in Greenwich, Connecticut.

Author and fitness guru Kate McKay is going to talk about the components of a "living sexy fit" lifestyle, which takes a holistic approach. She includes correct eating, exercise, and motivation. Her book is titled "Living Sexy Fit... at Any Age." McKay is from



Sheryl Borden
Creative Living

Newburyport, Massachusetts.

Information on quilting, making chic wall art and using rubbing plates will be the featured topics on "Creative Living" on Tuesday at noon and on Saturday at 2 p.m.

Kathy Bowers is a quilting guru and author of a book titled "Stitch, Spritz and Sew." She will demonstrate all of the basics regarding quilting, including notions and sewing tips. She's from Kelso, Washington.

Jann Johnson is a crafter, and she'll show how to make clothespin doll fairies and chic wall art. She represents EK Success Brands, Dow and Krylon and lives in Long Island City, New York.

Sara Mower will show how quick, fun and simple versatile rubbing plates can be for all age groups. They allow you to produce extraordinary results with many mediums, including

wall art, posters, wrapping paper and more. She represents Roylco, Inc. and lives in Anderson, South Carolina.

Lemony shrimp with asparagus

- 8 oz. dried whole wheat blend thin spaghetti or Angel hair pasta
- 3 Tbs. extra virgin olive oil, divided
- 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 bunch asparagus (about one pound), trimmed and cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 lb. medium or large raw shrimp (26-30 count), shelled and deveined
- 1 Tbs. lemon zest (zest from one lemon grated on the small holes of a box grater)
- 3/4 cup all-natural chicken broth
- 1 tsp. cornstarch
- 3 Tbs. lemon juice (juice from one lemon)
- 1 2/3-oz. bunch fresh basil, cut into thin strips (about 1/2 cup)
- 1/4 cup grated Parmesan cheese
- 1/4 cup toasted pine nuts
- Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper to taste

Bring a large pot of salted water to a boil. Add the

pasta and cook according to package directions. Drain and set aside. While the pasta is cooking, heat two tablespoons oil in a large nonstick skillet or Dutch oven over medium heat. Add the garlic and cook until golden, about 30 seconds. Add the asparagus and cook, stirring frequently, until the asparagus is crisp-tender, about 3 minutes. Push the asparagus to the side, add the remaining oil, and raise the heat to medium-high. Add the shrimp and lemon zest and cook for 2 minutes. Whisk together the chicken broth and cornstarch and add to the pan with the lemon juice and basil. Raise the heat to high and simmer, stirring constantly, for 1 to 2 minutes. Divide the pasta evenly among four pasta bowls and top with the shrimp mixture. Top with the Parmesan cheese and pine nuts, and season with salt and pepper to taste.

"Creative Living" is produced and hosted by Sheryl Borden. The show is carried by more than 118 PBS stations in the United States, Canada, Guam and Puerto Rico and is distributed by Westlink, Albuquerque.

Senior calendar

- Baxter Curren Senior Center**
908 Hickory, Clovis
Monday: Closed **Tuesday:** 8 a.m. quilting, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. exercise equipment, noon pinocle, 1 p.m.-5 p.m. 8-ball pool
Wednesday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. exercise equipment, 10 a.m. sew days, 1 p.m. crafts, 1 p.m.-5 p.m. 8-ball pool
Thursday: 8 a.m. blood pressure, 8 a.m. eggs, gravy and biscuits \$4, 8:45 a.m. board meeting, 1 p.m. bingo, 6 p.m. line dance
Friday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. exercise equipment, 10 a.m. needle gang, 1 p.m.-5 p.m. 8-ball pool, noon pinocle, 7 p.m. dance with 'Outlaws'
Saturday: 4 p.m. game night
- Community Senior Center**
1100 Community Way, Portales
Monday: Closed
Tuesday: Baked macaroni and cheese, brussel's sprouts w/margarine, dinner roll, chocolate pudding
Wednesday: Swiss steak, baked potato, cabbage, wheat roll w/margarine, pineapple
Thursday: Green chile chicken enchilada, lettuce and tomato, pnto beans, spanish rice, gelatin w/peaches
Friday: Spaghetti w/sauce, parmesan cheese, broccoli and cheese, garlic bread, pears

- Friendship Senior Center**
901 West 13th St., Clovis
Monday: Closed
Tuesday: Daily activities, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. happy craft crew, 3: 30 p.m. business meeting
Wednesday: Daily activities, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. happy craft crew, 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Mexican train
Thursday: Daily activities
Friday: Daily activities, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. blood pressure check, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. bingo
Daily activities: 9 a.m.-11 a.m. coffee klatch, crafts, 8-ball pool, exercise equipment
- La Casa Senior Center**
1120 Cameo St., Clovis
Monday: Closed
Tuesday: Daily activities, 1 p.m. bingo
Wednesday: Daily activities, 1 p.m. bingo
Thursday: Daily activities, 1 p.m. loteria
Friday: Daily activities, 1 p.m. jam session and potluck
Daily activities: Sewing/crafts, 8-ball pool
Other activities: 11 a.m. general meeting, 11 a.m. second Tuesday each month, 1 p.m.-5 p.m. dance, third Sunday each month, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. jam/potluck, last Friday each month
- Los Abuelitos Senior Center**
1515 W. Fir St., Portales

- Monday:** Closed
Tuesday: Daily activities
Wednesday: Daily activities
Thursday: Daily activities
Friday: Daily activities, 1 p.m. loteria
Daily activities: 10:30 a.m. exercise, sewing/crafts, 8-ball pool
Other activities: 11 a.m. general meeting, second Thursday each month, 1 p.m.-5 p.m. dance, second Sunday each month, 8 a.m.-noon commodities, third Wednesday each month for ages 60-plus, blood pressure on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, applications at 1515 West Fir St. A. Information: 575-356-5056
- Portales Senior Center**
421 N. Industrial Dr., Portales
Monday: 8 a.m.-9 a.m. exercise, 9 a.m. games, 10 a.m. hearing tests, noon pool
Tuesday: 8:30 quilting, 9:30 a.m. bridge, noon pool
Wednesday: 8 a.m. exercise, 9 a.m. card games, noon pool
Thursday: Noon lunch: Ham and potatoes, noon pool, 2 p.m. mix train dominoes
Friday: 8 a.m. exercise, 9 a.m. card games, noon pool, 1 p.m. dominos
Saturday: 7 p.m.-10 p.m. dance with Curry County Outlaws. \$5 entry.
Daily: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. weekday games (cards, Mexican trains, dominos, etc.)

School menus

- Dora**
Monday: Breakfast — French toast sticks, fruit.
Lunch — Chicken strips (HS)/chicken nuggets (Elem), mashed potatoes, w/gravy, broccoli, roll, fruit.
Tuesday: Breakfast — Breakfast burrito, fruit. **Lunch —** Taquitos, lettuce, tomato, shredded cheese, pinto beans, Fritos, fruit.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Breakfast pizza, fruit. **Lunch —** Green chile stew, corn, cornbread, fruit.
Thursday: Breakfast — Sausage and biscuit, fruit. **Lunch —** Pizza, tossed salad, sliced carrots, fruit.
■ Breakfast includes fruit, juice. Milk served with every meal.
- Floyd**
Monday: Breakfast — Pancakes w/syrup. **Lunch —** Beef and bean tostada, refried beans, peaches. **Tuesday: Breakfast —** Breakfast burrito w/salsa. **Lunch —** Fish nuggets, coleslaw, vegetable salad, peaches, crackers.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Banana bread squares. **Lunch —** Chicken quesadilla, peas and carrots, pears.
Thursday: Breakfast — Sausage and egg casserole. **Lunch —** Frito pie, corn, apple sauce, cornbread.
■ Breakfast includes assorted fruit, juice, cereal. Lunch includes salad. Milk served with every meal.
- House**
Monday: No school — Holiday
Tuesday: No school — Holiday
Wednesday: Breakfast —

- Pancake on a stick. **Lunch —** Taco, rice bowl, pinto beans, mixed fruit.
Thursday: Breakfast — Breakfast burrito, peaches. **Lunch —** Corn dog, carrots, peaches.
■ Breakfast includes yogurt, granola bar, fruit, cereal, variety of juice. Lunch includes mixed salad, fresh vegetables, croutons, crackers, chips w/salsa. Milk served with every meal.
- Melrose**
Monday: No school — Holiday
Tuesday: Breakfast — Biscuits and gravy, juice. **Lunch —** Spaghetti w/meat sauce, breadsticks, salad.
Wednesday: Breakfast — Cinnamon toast, sausage, juice. **Lunch —** Corn dogs, tater tots, pork and beans.
Thursday: Breakfast — Yogurt parfait, fruit and granola. **Lunch —** Chicken soft tacos, lettuce, cheese, cooked carrots, bananas.
■ Breakfast includes cereal, toast w/jelly. Milk served with every meal.
- Texico**
Monday: No school — Holiday
Tuesday: Breakfast — Muffin. **Lunch —** Chicken fajitas, lettuce, tomato, corn, salsa, applesauce.
Wednesday: Breakfast — French toast sticks. **Lunch —** Steak fingers, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, mixed fruit.
Thursday: Breakfast — Breakfast burrito. **Lunch —** Pizza, garden salad, peas, oranges.
■ Breakfast includes assorted fruit, juice, cereal. Milk served with every meal.

Club notes

Retired volunteers, foster grandparents
Curry County Retired and Senior Volunteers and Foster Grandparents were honored with a recognition banquet on Dec. 22 at the Clovis Civic Center. In attendance were approximately 125 people. Curry County Manager Lance Pyle

began the evening welcoming the volunteers and guests. He told the attendees, "We are excited to be here and have the opportunity to recognize and express our gratitude. You are invaluable members of our programs and a tremendous gift to the community." Pastor Roy Martin, Parkland

Baptist Church, gave the invocation. Incoming Curry County Commissioners Robert Thornton and Benjamin Smith were introduced to the volunteers. Ms. Opal Evans from United Way spoke to the attendees on the positive impact volunteering has in our community. Pins and cards of

appreciation were presented to the volunteers representing 11 volunteer stations and five Clovis elementary schools. Volunteers were given a parting gift. Curry County has had the privilege of maintaining a Retired and Senior Volunteer and Foster Grandparent Program for approximately 30 years.

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Charity

Food and clothing — 9 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., Saturdays, Bread of Life Ministries, Matt 25 Hope Center. Information: 575-762-2843.

Lighthouse Mission — 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.-3:30 p.m., clothing giveaway, Monday through Friday, 407 L. Casillas Blvd. Information: 575-762-1933.

Helping Hands — 8 a.m.-11 a.m. Saturdays, clothing and household goods giveaway. Pure Heart Word Center, 701 N. Prince. Information: 575-268-1565.

Curry County Crime Stoppers — Help Take a Bite out of Crime. Cash rewards for anonymous tips. Information: 575-763-7000.

Clubs/organizations

American Legion Unit 25 Ladies Auxiliary — 7 p.m. third Wednesdays each month; 7 a.m.-11 a.m., \$6 breakfast, open to the public, first Saturday each month; 2 p.m. Sundays and 7 p.m. Tuesdays, bingo; 9 p.m.-1 a.m., dance, every Friday, 2400 West. Seventh St. Information: 575-763-5392.

American Legion Post 117 Ladies Auxiliary — 5:30 p.m. first Tuesday each month, American Legion Post 117, 2900 W. Grand Ave. Information: 575-309-5673.

American Legion Post 117 Bingo — 11 a.m. Sundays, 12:30 p.m. Fridays at 2800 W. Grand Ave. Information: 763-4030; last Monday of each month, door prizes given out. Doors open two hours early.

Border Sport Shooters (an IDPA Club) — 5:30 p.m. third Saturday each month, Club Range. Call for directions, Information: Joe Stanford 806-777-2217.

Boy Scouts/Cub Scouts Roundtable — 7 p.m. second Thursday each month, Saint James Episcopal Church, 1117 N Main St. Information: Brian Chambers 575-760-9203

Boy Scout Troop 226 — 7 p.m. Mondays at Kingswood Methodist Church. Information: Cheryl Csakan 575-760-6048.

Boy Scout Troop 411 — 6:30 p.m. Mondays, Parkland Baptist Church, 921 Parkland Dr. Information: Calvin Poppen 575-218-4432.

Christian Believers Community Prayer Brunch — 10 a.m. third Saturday each month. Provides Christian counseling for substance abuse, provides a life coach and information for referrals. Christian Believers Center, Fifth and Main Street. Information: Sistar Yancy 575-763-1715.

Clovis Astronomy Club — 7 p.m., second Sunday each month at the Java Loft. Third Friday after dark, at Ned Houk Park. Annual fee: \$10. Information: 1-757-846-7509 or Clovis Astronomy Club Facebook page.

Clovis Breastfeeding Support Group — 6:30 p.m. First Tuesday of each month. Plains Regional Medical Center, Cannon Room, Information: 575-219-2359.

Clovis Community Chorus rehearsals — 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. First rehearsal Sept 13, Tuesdays, First United Methodist Church, Sanctuary, 1501 Sycamore St. Information: 575-762-0479

Clovis Evening Lions Club — 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, Matt 25, 1200 N Thornton St, 3rd floor. Information: Joe Whitehurst 575-760-1379

Clovis Masonic Lodge No. 40 — 7:30 p.m. First and third Tuesday each month, regular communication. 3100 Thornton. All Masons welcome. Information: Randy Stansell 575-762-4371

Clovis-Portales Community Orchestra rehearsal — 6:30 p.m.- 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays, First Presbyterian Church of Portales. Information: Ashleigh Talbert, 575-219-2160.

Clovis-Carver Public Library - 10 a.m. Wednesdays Toddler time; 10 a.m. Thursdays Preschool Story Hour, Information: Krissie Carter 575-769-7840.

Clovis Quilters' Club — 1 p.m.-3 p.m. second Monday each month, Trinity Lutheran Church. Open to all Quilters, beginners to advanced. Information: Shelley Winn 575-763-4398

Clovis Shrine Club — Noon Mondays, K-Bob's Steakhouse, 1600 Mabry Dr. All Shriners welcome. Information: Jerry Shade 575-762-3781.

Community Bible Study — 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays. An interdenominational Women's Bible study. Open to women of all denominations and Bible knowledge. Central Baptist Church, 2501 N Norris St. Children's classes for babies to age 5 and special classes for home schoolers through school year only. Information: 575-760-8565.

Cub Scout Pack 411 — 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at First United Methodist Church, Sycamore. Information: Michelle Bjorklund 248-790-3126.

Curry County Republican Women — 11:30 a.m. second Tuesday each month, KBob's Steakhouse. 1600 Mabry Dr. Information: Judy Jennings 575-762-2524 or 575-763-4390

Curry County Health Council — 3 p.m. - 4 p.m., every third Thursday each month, Hartley House, 900 N. Main St., Clovis. Information: 575-763-6009.

Daughters of the American Revolution — 10 a.m. second Saturday each month September through June. Information or venue: Pam Wallace 575-760-2127 or Nancy Bauder 575-769-3146.

Disabled American Veterans Chapter 6 — 7 p.m. second Wednesday each month, 220 West Fourth St. Information: 575-762-5335.

Disabled American Veterans Chapter 6 Bingo — 7 p.m. Monday nights, Redarrow, Hilltop Plaza, 320 W. 21st St., Clovis. Information: 575-762-5335

Desert Cruzers Car Club cruises — 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, various locations and second Tuesday, various locations. General meeting. Information: Jerry Bailey 575-693-2511. Facebook: Clovis Desert Cruzers. clubs.hemming.com/desertcruzers.

Eastern New Mexico Amateur Radio Club — 9 a.m. third Saturday each month, DAV Hall. Information: www.ka5b.org, Roy Creiglow 575-791-3734 or Smitty 575-607-5009.

Eastern Plains Council of Governments Board — 10 a.m. second Wednesday each month. EP COG office, 418 Main St. unless otherwise notified. Information: 575-762-7714.

El Desayuno Kiwanis Club — 6:45 a.m.

Thursdays, Taqueria Jalisco, 217 West Seventh St. Information: Allan Isbell, 575-763-6559 or el.desayuno.kiwanis@gmail.com.

Eilda Senior Center — 1 p.m. meeting on the first Wednesday of each month, board and card games on the second Wednesday of month, art classes on the third Wednesday of each month, floor games on the fourth Wednesday of the month, Senior Citizens, 401 Clark St, Elida. Information: 575-274-6448.

Eilda Senior Center Pancake Breakfast — 8 a.m. on the second Saturday of each month, Senior Citizens, 401 Clark St., Elida. Information: 575-274-6448.

Encanto Garden Club — 9:30 a.m. second Wednesday each month, Muffley's Backdoor. Visitors and new members welcome. Information: 575-799-5378.

Friends of Bluegrass — 7 p.m.-10 p.m. Thursdays at Farwell Community Center. Bring your instruments for a picking good time. Information: Tressie Stroud 575-276-8284.

Friendship Rebekah Lodge — 1 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays each month, 405 N. Main St. Information: 575-762-4843.

Girls Circle — 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. Wednesdays, Matt 25 Hope Center. Information: 575-763-7725.

Grady Alpha Extension Homemakers Club — 1:30 p.m. first Thursday each month, Grady Senior Center. Information: Katy Machechry 575-799-5117.

Gold Wing Road Riders Association — 6:30 p.m. first Saturday each month, Red Lobster. Information: Tom Weingates at 575-762-5445.

High Plains Drifters Motorcycle Club — 8 a.m. Saturdays and 6 p.m. second Thursday each month, various locations. All bikes and non-members welcome. Information: Gary Baker 575-799-1993 for locations.

High Plains Patriots — 7 p.m. last Thursday each month, Master's Center. Information: Tim Ashley 575-760-5423 or www.highplainspatriots.com

Hi-Plains Toastmasters Club — 7 p.m. Tuesdays, Wheatfields Senior Living Community, theater room on second floor. 4701 N Prince Street, Clovis. Speaking and leadership club. Information: Donna Labatt 575-799-3215 or Kevin Wilson 575-760-9616.

Home at Heart — 6 p.m. third Tuesday each month, 21st St. Church of Christ, Clovis. Information: Jana Hudson at 575-639-1581

International Defensive Pistol Association — 12:30 p.m. third weekend each month. Shooting in Muleshoe. Map: border-sport-shooters.org. Information: Joe Stanford 806-777-2217.

Interim Health Care — 10 a.m. every Saturday through October 29. 2300 N. Main St., Suite 19A. Information: 575-763-9728

Just Us Club — 5:30 p.m. second Tuesday each month, First United Methodist, Melrose. Information: Carol Moore at 575-714-4781

Liano Estacado Quilt Guild — 9 a.m.-3 p.m. fourth Saturday every two months: May, July, Sept., Nov., Trinity Lutheran Church. Information: Shelley Winn 575-763-4398

Martin Luther King Meeting — 6:30 p.m. second Monday of each month, Clovis-Carver Public Library, 701 N. Main St., Information: 575-762-2752 or 575-777-4721

Masonic Lodge No. 26 — 7:30 p.m. Fourth Monday each month, regular communication, 117 East 3rd Street. Portales. All Masons welcome. Information: Vern Newlin 575-626-4408

Military Order of the Cooties — 7:30 p.m. first Friday each month, VFW Post 3015, 2815 West Seventh St. Information: 575-763-6561.

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) — 8:45 a.m.-11 a.m. first and third Tuesday, Central Baptist Church. Information: 941-744-7040

New Mexico Legal Aid — 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, closed 12 p.m.-1 p.m. daily, 400 Pile St., Suite 401. Information: 575-769-2326

Noon Day Kiwanis Club — Noon, first and third Thursday each month, various locations. Information: Elaine Williford 749-0231 for locations.

Oddfellows Club — 2 p.m. second and fourth Thursdays each month, 405 N. Main St. Information: 575-762-4843.

Order of the Eastern Star — 7:30 p.m. first and third Tuesday each month, Melrose Masonic Lodge. Information: 575-355-2800.

Parkinsons Support Group — 5:30 p.m. second Monday each month, Clovis Community College, Room 101. Information: 806-725-0941

Pintores Art League — 6:30 p.m. first Thursday each month, CCC Phase V building, room 524. Information: 575-985-2337.

Planning and Zoning Commission — 3 p.m. second Wednesday each month, City Hall. Information: 575-769-7828.

Starlight Square Dance Club — 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays, Portales Senior Citizens Center, 421 North Industrial. Information: 575-760-1170.

Quality Pleasures Extension Club — 9 a.m., first Wednesday each month, Extension building, Curry County Fairgrounds. Information: LeeEllen Phipps at 575-683-5325

United States Civil Air Patrol Clovis High Plains Composite Squadron — 6:30pm-9:30pm every Tuesday, National Guard Armory, 601 S Norris St., Clovis, Information: beatie2001@hotmail.com

VFW Ladies Auxiliary 3015 — 7:30 p.m. first Thursday each month, Post 3015. Men and women's groups meet at same time. Information: 575-763-6561.

Water Policy Board — 9 a.m. second Tuesday each month, City Hall. Information: 575-769-7828.

Youth Services Lifeskills Class — 4 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays, Matt 25 Hope Center. Information: 575-763-7725.

Education

AARP Smart Driver Safety Program — 8 a.m.-noon. Third Tuesday Jan, March, May, Sept and Nov, Clovis Community College, room 101 unless otherwise scheduled. Pre-registration recommended. Fees: \$15 members, \$20 non-members (payable by check only). Register by phone: David Tanner, 575-769-1468

CPR and First Aid Classes — AHA HeartSaver and BLS Classes, 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. third Saturday each month. Four different classes you can take. Fee includes course book and completion card. Please call for the fees. Information: 575-742-3031 or 575-799-4114.

Clovis Municipal Schools Early Intervention Services — Developmental screenings by referral for children age 2-5 with suspected disabilities. Student Support Center, 1600 Sutter Place. No charge to families. Information: Mayte Flores 575-769-4490.

Eastern Plains Headstart — 8 a.m.-4 p.m., 901 Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. Open enrollment for children ages 3 to 5 years old. Deadline by August. Information: 575-742-3426.

ENMRSH — 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday. Free developmental screenings for infants and babies birth through 35 months. Information: 575-742-9032.

GED classes — 8:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. or 5 p.m. - 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday, Clovis Community College. 8-week classes. Must register. New students must attend orientation. Information: 575-769-4095.

Parenting classes — 2 p.m.-4 p.m. Tuesdays, Hartley House, 900 Main St., Clovis. Information: 575-762-0050.

QPR Suicide Prevention Training — First and third Fridays, 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m. Matt 25 Hope Center, 1200 N. Thornton, Bethesda Room on second floor. Free training, RSVP required. Information: Junctions, 575-935-8522.

Health services

Birth certificates — 8 a.m.-10 a.m. and 1 p.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday. Cost: \$10. Clovis Health Department. Information: 575-763-5583.

Free pregnancy testing — 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Thursday, Pregnancy Resource Center, 621 North Main St., Clovis. Information: 575-935-5433.

HIV/STD testing — By appointment. Monday-Friday. Roosevelt County Health Office, 1513 W. Fir, Portales. Information: 575-356-4453.

Pregnancy tests — 9 a.m.-11 a.m. and 2 p.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Thursday and Friday 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Women's Medical Center, Suite A-1, 2000 West 21st St. Information: 575-762-8055. 8 a.m.-11 a.m. and 1 p.m.-4 p.m., La Casa Family Health Center, \$15, 1521 West 13th St. Information: 575-769-0888. 8 a.m.-4 p.m., \$15, La Casa Family Health Center, 1515 W. Fir, Portales. Information: 575-356-6695.

TB follow-up services — Monday-Friday. Appointment only. No charge. Clovis Health Department. Information: 575-763-5583.

TB testing — 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Wednesday, La Casa Family Health Center, 1521 West 13th St. \$21. Information: 575-769-0888.

WIC (Women, Infants, Children) Nutrition Program services — 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Closed Noon-1 p.m. for lunch every day except Thursday. Department of Health, 1216 Cameo St. Information 575-762-3309; 8:15 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday and 8:15 a.m.-Noon Fridays at Cannon AFB, 208 East Casablanca. Information: 575-784-2127.

Self-help

TOPS NM No. 3, Clovis — Noon Wednesdays, United Methodist Church, 1501 Sycamore, east door. Information: 575-309-4049 or 575-762-0308.

Senior

Baxter-Curren Bingo — 1 p.m. Thursdays, 908 Hickory. Information: 575-762-3631

Baxter-Curren Jam Session — 6:00 p.m. Tuesdays, 908 Hickory. Instrument playing. Information: 575-762-3631.

Baxter-Curren Gospel Singing — 2 p.m., Second Sunday each month, 908 Hickory. Information: 575-762-3631.

Baxter-Curren Friday Night Dance — 7 p.m., Every Friday, \$4 or \$5 entry fee, 40+ or older only, 908 Hickory. Information: 575-762-3631.

Friendship Senior Center — 9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Sewing craft class, every Wednesday; 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Blood pressure, every Friday; 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Dominos, every Tuesday; 1 p.m.-4 p.m. Mexican Train, every Wednesday, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. Bingo, every Friday, 901 W. 13th Street. Information: 575-769-7913.

Friendship Senior Center General meeting — 3:30 p.m. every last Tuesday each month. 901 W. 13th Street. Information: 575-769-7913.

New Mexico Senior Olympics Enhance Fitness — 9:45 a.m. first class, 11 a.m. second class, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, Clovis Wellness Center, 1700 East Seventh St. Class participants make a 16 week commitment, free initial assessment. Free to seniors 50 and older. Jolene Fox Information: 575-749-5187.

Portales Senior Dance — 7 p.m.-10 p.m. Saturdays, Portales Senior Center, 421 N. Industrial Dr., Portales. Live band and potluck. \$5. Information: 575-356-8741.

Senior commodity distribution — 8 a.m.-noon, third Wednesday each month for ages 60-plus, Los Abuelitos Senior Center, 1515 West Fir St., A. Information: 575-356-5056.

Wheatfields Senior Living Community — 2 p.m., Curry County Outlaws Concert every second Sunday of the month; 7 a.m. Men's Breakfast Club every Tuesday each month, RSVP with Rochelle Iovinelli 575-762-8700. 4701 N Prince Street, Clovis.

Support groups

AI-Anon Fellowship — 6 p.m. Sundays, Mental Health Resources, West 21st Street. Friends and families of alcoholics are always welcome. Information: 575-762-3970.

AI-Anon: Live and Let Live — 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. Monday and noon Thursday, Highland Baptist Church, 2210 North Main Street entrance. Open to friends and families of alcoholics. Information: 575-769-6028.

AI-Anon: Serenity Circle — 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Presbyterian Church, 108 South Ave. F, Portales. Information: 575-769-6028.

Alcoholics Anonymous: The Fellowship Group — 12 p.m. daily & 7:30 p.m. every evening, 1119 Thornton St. Information: 575-769-6052.

Alzheimer's Association NM Chapter Caregiver Support Group — 12 p.m., third Tuesday of the month, Wheatfields Senior Living Community, 4701 N Prince St. Clovis, NM 88101. Lunch is provided complimentary of Wheatfields, RSVP Information: Pricilla Lujan 575-624-1552 or plujan@alz.org.

Anger Management Class — 1 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Thursdays, Christian Believers, Main and

Seventh streets. Information: 575-763-1715

Batterer's Intervention — Men's group: Wednesdays 10 a.m., 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. Women's group: Mondays 2 p.m. Hartley House, 900 Main St., Clovis. Information: 575-762-0050.

Bereavement support — 5 p.m. Thursdays, Plains Regional Healthplex, 2217 Dillon Street. Support group for people whose loved ones have died and who would like help coping with grief, loss and living again after loss. Information: 575-769-7399.

Bible Study — 10:30 a.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Wheatfields Senior Living Community, 4701 N Prince St. Clovis, NM 88101, Information: Rochelle Iovinelli 575-762-8700.

Celebrate Recovery — 5:30 p.m. Free Fellowship Dinner, Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Services Legacy Life Family Church, 622 Main St., Clovis. Information: 575-769-2461 or 575-760-6204.

Celebrate Recovery — 7 p.m. every Monday, free Fellowship dinner, Living Word Church of God, 3719 E. 21st., Clovis.

Chief Spotlight — 1:30 p.m.- 2:30 p.m. every third Wednesday. Wheatfields senior living community. Free event. 4701 N Prince Street, Clovis. Information: Rochelle Iovinelli 575-762-8700.

Children's domestic violence survivors — 6 p.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays, Hartley House, 900 Main St. Ages 4 and older. Information: 575-762-0050.

Christian Intervention program — 7 p.m. Fridays, Calvary Tabernacle United Pentecostal Church, 212 Ash St. Information: 575-769-0329.

Defensive Driving Class — 8:30 a.m. Registration \$50, Class 9 a.m., third Saturday of each month, Matt 25, 1200 N. Thornton St., Clovis. Information: Ken Oswald, 575-760-4261

Double Trouble In Recovery 12-Step Program — Noon - 1 p.m. Fridays, Mental Health Resources, 1100 West 21st. Double Trouble In Recovery is a 12-step program that focuses on dually diagnosed individuals that may have a problem with alcohol, drugs, or mental illness. All are welcome. Information: 575-309-1865 or 575-749-9446

Domestic Violence Survivors — 6 p.m.-8 p.m. Thursdays, Hartley House, 900 Main St. Information: 575-762-0050.

Grief and Bereavement Support Group — 10 a.m., Saturdays, 6 week program beginning September 24. Chaplain Tamara Jaffe, Interim Hospice, 2300 N. Main St., Suite 19A. Information: 575-763-9728

GriefShare-Grief Recovery Support — 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Wednesdays, Central Baptist Church, 2105 N. Norris St., room 203, repeating 13 week program for those greiving the death of a loved one, videos by leading authors and counselors, followed by small discussion groups, dinner available at 5 p.m., \$4, child care available, workbook. Information: 575-762-4727

Lamp Lighters Women's Group of A.A. — 7:30 p.m. Monday, Thursday and Friday. Trinity Church, 601 Avenue B, Portales. Information: 575-769-6028.

Milagro Group of N.A. — 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Mondays and Saturdays, 223 S. Ave. K. Christian Campus House, Portales. Information: 575-309-7593.

Recovery Support — 7 p.m. Thursdays. Faith Based approach to recovery from substance abuse. Beacon of Light, 1320 Thornton. Information: 575-763-9510.

The We Group of NA — 6 p.m. Wednesdays, Church of the Brethren, Manana and Acoma (across from Stansells). Enter north side of the church. Information: 575-309-1673.

Volunteer

Interim Healthcare Home Care & Hospice — 2300 N Main St., Suite 19A, Clovis. Minimum requirement two hours per month. Walk-ins welcome. Contact Angela Laumbach, Volunteer Recruitment Coordinator at 575-763-9728 or 575-714-5000.

Hospice of Sandia: Volunteer information day — 8:30 a.m.- 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, 120 W. 21st St., Clovis. Minimum requirement two hours per month. Come learn about this exciting opportunity. Walk-ins at other times welcome. Contact Shannon Kohlenberg, Volunteer Coordinator at 575-935-5683.

Plains Regional Home Health and Hospice — Hospice provides the opportunity for patients who are terminally ill to stay at home and live life as fully as possible surrounded by their loved ones. To learn more, call Nichole Olguin Information: 575-769-7399.

Pregnancy Resource Center: Volunteer Recruiting — 1 p.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Thursday. 621 N. Main St., Clovis. Volunteers are encouraged to apply to reach out to women in a crisis pregnancy by offering practical assistance in both word and action. Care Net training is provided (as little as four hours per week). Website: lifechoice@plateaetel.net Information: 575-935-5433.

Regional calendar

Thursday

■ **Brian Regan**
7:30 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$43
Information: 432-552-4430

Friday

■ **Michael Carbonaro**
7:30 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$25-\$47
Information: 432-552-4430

Jan. 7

■ **A night with Elvis**
Featuring Lonnie Yanes
8 p.m.
Kiva Auditorium, Albuquerque
Tickets: ticketmaster.com
Information: 505-768-4575
■ **Vince Neil with Great White**
8 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$55-\$75
Information: 432-552-4430

Jan. 8

■ **The Devil Makes Three, Lost Dog Street Band**
8 p.m.
Sunshine Theater, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$20
Information: 505-764-0249
■ **Travis Tritt with Little Texas**
7 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$43-\$63
Information: 432-552-4430
■ **Winter Winds and Brass by NM Philharmonic**
2 p.m.
Popejoy Hall, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$24-\$68
Information: 505-323-4343

Jan. 12

■ **Travis Tritt**
7:30 p.m.
Lea County Events Center
Tickets: \$28-\$75
Information: 575-391-2900
■ **Matilda the Musical**
7:30 p.m.
Popejoy Hall, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$40-\$65
Information: 877-664-8661

Jan. 13

■ **Travis Tritt**
7 p.m.
Curry County Events Center, Clovis
Tickets: \$26-\$73
Information: 575-935-7000
■ **Matilda the Musical**
8 p.m.
Popejoy Hall, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$40-\$65
Information: 877-664-8661
■ **Paradise Lost and Found production**
7:30 p.m.

Roswell Community Little Theater
Tickets: \$7 students, \$10 adults
Information: roswelltheatre.com

■ **New Mexico Brewer's Guild Winter Brew**
5 p.m.-9 p.m.
Santa Fe Farmers Market Pavilion
Tickets: \$25
Information: nmbeers.org

Jan. 14

■ **Tri-State Open Chili Championship**
11 a.m.
Tri-State Expo, Amarillo
Information: 806-376-7767
■ **Selena Tribute by Evelyn Molina y Los Chicos del 512**
8 p.m.
Isleta Casino, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$10-\$20
Information: 505-724-3800
■ **Strange Magic-The ELO Experience**
8 p.m.
Route 66 Casino, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$22
Information: 505-352-7829
■ **Matilda the Musical**
2 p.m., 8 p.m.
Popejoy Hall, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$40-\$65
Information: 877-664-8661
■ **Paradise Lost and Found production**
7:30 p.m.
Roswell Community Little Theater
Tickets: \$7 students, \$10 adults
Information: roswelltheatre.com

■ **Paradise Lost and Found production**
7:30 p.m.
Roswell Community Little Theater
Tickets: \$7 students, \$10 adults
Information: roswelltheatre.com

Jan. 15

■ **The Temptations and The Four Tops**
7:30 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$39-\$109
Information: 432-552-4430
■ **Matilda the Musical**
1 p.m., 6:30 p.m.
Popejoy Hall, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$40-\$65
Information: 877-664-8661
■ **Paradise Lost and Found production**
2 p.m.
Roswell Community Little Theater
Tickets: \$7 students, \$10 adults
Information: roswelltheatre.com

Jan. 16

■ **J Boog, Jo Mersa Marley, Jemere Morgan**
13+ ages
8 p.m.
Sunshine Theater, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$18
Information: 505-764-0249
■ **Tenore presented by**

Live On Stage

7 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$33
Information: 432-552-4430

Jan. 20

■ **Blue Oyster Cult**
8 p.m.
Isleta Casino, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$20-\$25
Information: 505-724-3800
■ **Paradise Lost and Found production**
7:30 p.m.
Roswell Community Little Theater
Tickets: \$7 students, \$10 adults
Information: roswelltheatre.com
■ **Foghat**
8 p.m.
Inn of the Mountain Gods, Mescalero
Tickets: \$20
Information: 800-545-9011

Jan. 21

■ **Vince Neil**
8 p.m.
Route 66 Casino, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$26-\$58
Information: 505-352-7829
■ **Paradise Lost and Found production**
7:30 p.m.
Roswell Community Little Theater
Tickets: \$7 students, \$10 adults
Information: roswelltheatre.com

Jan. 22

■ **Paradise Lost and Found production**
2 p.m.
Roswell Community Little Theater
Tickets: \$7 students, \$10 adults
Information: roswelltheatre.com

Jan. 23

■ **The Oak Ridge Boys with The Gatlin Brothers**
7:30 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$38-\$63
Information: 432-552-4430

Jan. 24

■ **The Odd Squad**
6:30 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$18-\$68
Information: 432-552-4430

Jan. 26

■ **Kristin Chenoweth: Celebrating the Art of Elegance**
7:30 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$59-\$125
Information: 432-552-4430

Jan. 27



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Comedian Ron White to perform at 8 p.m. Jan. 27 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center in Midland, Texas.



By Chuck Redden via Wikimedia Commons

Travis Tritt is slated to play at the Curry County Events Center, Clovis. Showtime is 7 p.m. on Jan. 13.

■ **Potter County Jr. Livestock Show**
7 a.m.
Tri-State Expo, Amarillo
Information: 806-376-7767

■ **Ron White**
8 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$49-\$239
Information: 432-552-4430

Jan. 28

■ **Potter County Jr. Livestock Show**
7 a.m.
Tri-State Expo, Amarillo
Information: 806-376-7767

■ **StepCrew**
7 p.m.
Flickinger Center, Alamogordo
Information: 575-437-2202
■ **Mark Chestnut, Joe Diffie**
8 p.m.
Inn of the Mountain Gods, Mescalero
Tickets: \$25
Information: 800-545-9011

Jan. 29

■ **Pavlo**
Noon buffet
2 p.m. show
Spencer Theater, Alto
Tickets: \$20 buffet, \$39-\$59 show
Information: 575-336-4800

Jan. 30

■ **The StepCrew**
7 p.m.
Tydings Auditorium, Hobbs
Tickets: \$20
Information: 575-738-1041

Feb. 4

■ **Foreigner**
8 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$55-\$75
Information: 432-552-4430

Feb. 8

■ **Iration, Protoje, Zach Deputy**
8 p.m.
Sunshine Theater, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$23
Information: 505-764-0249

Feb. 9

■ **Gabriel Iglesias: Fluffymania Tour**
8 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$33-\$148
Information: 432-552-4430

Feb. 11

■ **Willie Nelson**
8 p.m.
Route 66 Casino, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$43-\$101
Information: 505-352-7829
■ **The Carpenters**

Tribute featuring Michelle Whited
5 p.m. buffet
7 p.m. show
Spencer Theater, Alto
Tickets: \$20 buffet, \$39-\$79 show
Information: 575-336-4800

■ **Forte Tenors with Southwest Symphony Orchestra**
7 p.m.
Tydings Auditorium, Hobbs
Tickets: \$20
Information: 575-738-1041
■ **Tyler Farr**
8 p.m.
Inn of the Mountain Gods, Mescalero
Tickets: \$25
Information: 800-545-9011

Feb. 12

■ **Bill Maher**
7:30 p.m.
Popejoy Hall, Albuquerque
Tickets:
www.livenation.com
Information: popejoyresents.com49

Feb. 14

■ **Complexions Contemporary Ballet**
7:30 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$25
Information: 432-552-4430

Feb. 17

■ **Once (Broadway)**
7:30 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$58-\$88
Information: 432-552-4430
■ **Monster Jam**
7:30 p.m.
Tingley Coliseum, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$15-\$35
Information: 800-745-3000
■ **Granger Smith**
8 p.m.
Inn of the Mountain Gods, Mescalero
Tickets: \$15
Information: 800-545-9011

Feb. 18

■ **"Play Me", the Music of Neil Diamond and Chocolate Buffet**
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Information: 575-437-2202

■ **Monster Jam**
2 p.m., 7:30 p.m.
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Feb. 19

■ **Monster Jam**
2 p.m.
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Feb. 24

■ **America**
8 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$40-\$65
Information: 432-552-4430

Feb. 25

■ **The 5 Irish Tenors**
5 p.m. buffet
7 p.m. show
Spencer Theater, Alto
Tickets: \$20 buffet, \$39-\$89 show
Information: 575-336-4800

Feb. 27

■ **Over Kill, Nile, Deforme, Deceitful**
13+ ages
7:30 p.m.
Sunshine Theater, Albuquerque
Tickets: \$20
Information: 505-764-0249

Mar. 2

■ **Rent-20th Anniversary Tour**
7:30 p.m.
Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Midland
Tickets: \$68-\$88
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Mar. 8

■ **Tribal Seeds**
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Tickets: \$20
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■ **Alamogordo to Ireland, via Alaska**
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December 30, 2016
January 1, 2017

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Name and Address of the Licensee:
**Vigil Corporation
DBA: Marks**
1126 West 1st Street
Portales, NM 88130

The action proposed to be taken by the department:

Beer & Wine License

Date of Public Hearing:
January 10, 2017

Place of Public Hearing:
Council Chambers at
Memorial Building (Corrected location only)
200 W. 7th Street
Portales, New Mexico
Time of Public Hearing:
6:30 p.m.

The location of the Licensee's premises:
1126 West 1st Street
Portales, New Mexico

A notice was sent by certified mail to Mark Vigil, President of Vigil Corporation, 1126 West 1st Street, Portales, NM 88130, stating time and place of the public hearing.

Wherefore, I, Joan Mar-

LEGALS

tinez-Terry, City Clerk, hereby certify that a public notice of the hearing before Portales City Council concerning the Beer & Wine License, **Application No. 1021804** applied for by Vigil Corporation was published in the **Eastern New Mexico News**, which is the newspaper of general circulation within the territorial limits of the Portales City Council, on November 24th and December 1st, 2016 and again on December 30th, 2016 and January 1st, 2017.

/s/s/ Joan Martinez-Terry
City Clerk

December 27, 2016

LEGAL 54689
December 23, 2016
December 25, 2016
January 1, 2017
January 8, 2017

STATE OF NEW MEXICO COUNTY OF ROOSEVELT NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

HOUSTON WALL,
Plaintiff/Appellant,

v.

NO. D-911-CV-2016-00311

TOM BLANE, P.E., NEW MEXICO STATE ENGINEER; BOBBY J. CARMICHAEL; HER SHAL CARMICHAEL; SHERI CARMICHAEL; SHANNON CARMICHAEL; WELDON CARMICHAEL; DECEASED; KELLY A. LONG; W.T. SIMPSON; and, KENNETH COX,

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LEGALS

Roosevelt County, New Mexico, pursuant to Section 72-7-1 NMSA, 1978. A copy of the Report and Recommendation of the Hearing Officer and Acceptance and Adoption by the State Engineer is available at the Office of the District Clerk of the Ninth Judicial Court located at 109 W. First Street, Portales, NM 88130.

Respectfully Submitted,
**MARION J. CRAIG III,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
LLC**

Marion J. Craig III
PO Box 1436
Roswell, NM 88202
575-622-1106
Attorney for Houston
Wall, Appellant

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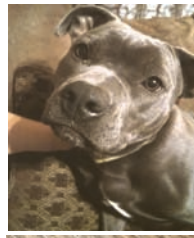
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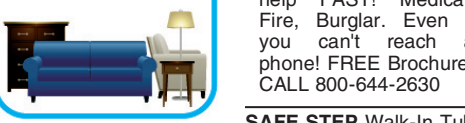


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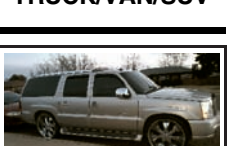


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- 5 Kernel-less picnic discards
- 9 What judges wear
- 14 In a little while
- 15 "Once a midnight dreary ..."
- 16 Kick out of the country
- 17 Spring break destination, perhaps
- 18 Nevada gambling city
- 19 Like thickets
- 20 Longtime navigation method
- 23 List of mistakes
- 24 Golf scorecard figure
- 25 Med. condition with repetitive behavior
- 28 Tries to be heard in a noisy room
- 31 Save
- 33 Rascals
- 36 Rabbit's foot, perhaps
- 38 Geometry calculations
- 40 Small battery
- 41 Body part often sculpted
- 42 Toy sold in eggs
- 45 Paradise
- 46 Et
- 47 Puts a tight lid on
- 49 First st., alphabetically
- 50 "You serious?"
- 52 "Hold on a second"
- 56 Kids' game hinted at by the starts of 20-, 36-, and 42-Across
- 60 Reeves who played "Ted" in "Bill & Ted" films
- 62 High spirits
- 63 Bit of deception
- 64 Clark's exploring partner
- 65 Author Rice
- 66 Like 2, 4, 6, and so on
- 67 "The Count of ... Cristo"

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Rams, Lady Rams absorb losses

Boys fall to Happy in third-place game at Littlefield, while girls bow to Denver City.

BY THE STAFF OF THE NEWS

LITTLEFIELD — Portales High's basketball teams breezed into Friday's Wildcat Classic semifinals with 8-0 records, only to run into some stiff competition.

Boys coach Rickie McBroom and girls coach Wade Frazee hope their teams benefit from the games. Each lost for the second day in a row on Saturday, the Rams falling to Class 1A Happy 67-55 in the boys third-place game while the girls dropped a 55-47 decision to Denver City in consolation play.

The Lady Rams were to have played the Lubbock Titans in the third-place game, but

PREP BASKETBALL

due to NMAA regulations are not allowed to play a home-school team. Tournament organizers made the switch and put PHS up against the Class 4A Lady Mustangs (14-3).

The Lady Rams overcame a 12-2 deficit at the start, outscoring Denver City 14-2 the rest of the quarter to take a two-point lead behind 3-pointers from juniors Sarah Lovato and Kelly Frazee.

Denver City outscored the Lady Rams 23-14 over the middle two quarters.

"We've struggled in the third quarter all year," PHS girls coach Wade Frazee said. "We've got to learn to come out and play like we're (farther) behind in the third quarter."

Coach Frazee said it was "an extremely,

extremely, extremely physical game," adding: "Getting a shot off inside was next to impossible."

Sophomore forward Holly Hemmeline led Denver City with 15 points while junior guards Arielle Adams and Morgan Diaz added 13 and 10 points, respectively.

For the Lady Rams, junior Zamorye Cox scored 13 points and dished out four assists while junior Lindsey Blakey added 12 points and 15 rebounds. Meantime, sophomore Taylor Rippee grabbed 11 caroms.

"It was a good game for us in that we've got to toughen up," Frazee said.

Meantime, the boys ran into a solid small-school program in Happy, which led 21-14

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ENMU YEAR IN REVIEW



Staff photo: Kevin Wilson

Katie Welborn, left, a former catcher at Tarleton State, took over the reins of the ENMU softball program in 2016. The Greyhounds posted a 13-39 record.

ENMU's year has large tint of 'green'

Change comes with new coaches, new infrastructure and new football stadium.

By Kevin Wilson
MANAGING EDITOR
kwilson@cnjonline.com

PORTALES — As far as the 2016 calendar year went, green was quite an appropriate color for Eastern New Mexico University.

Just like the color that marks the sidelines, end zones and uniforms for the Greyhounds in football, there was plenty of "green," or new people, in the upper ranks and some of the infrastructure.



There was a new football stadium, a new softball coach and a new men's basketball coach.

But there was plenty of new success, with the school's first All-American in women's cross country.

The most notable change for the university was clearly the addition to its western campus, as the new Greyhound Stadium replaced the venerable old facility located about six miles out of town toward Clovis.

With a two-tone turf and a video scoreboard, the stadium was ready to go for both the Greyhounds and Portales Rams.

It's already proven quite effective for the Rams, who went 8-0 there en route to the Class 4A state title.

New ENMU Athletic Director Greg Waggoner prefaced his remarks by noting he arrived in the "final touches" phase of the stadium. By his early assessment, the stadium is an improvement with a formal tailgating area, functionality for ENMU's soccer teams, and its elevation of the school's reputation overall.

"I believe Greyhound Stadium has more than lived up to the vision of the leadership that was responsible for making it a reality in its first year, with much more potential yet to be realized down the road," Waggoner said. "I was honored and excited to be a part of the university team to launch the inaugural year of this landmark venue."

The Greyhounds, meanwhile, went 4-2 on their new home surface, and had some individual postseason success as well.

Junior running back Kamal Cass led the Lone Star Conference in rushing for the second-straight year, and was named an All-American as well. His AFCA All-America honors are the school's first since Jeff Howard

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Staff photo: Tony Bullocks

Clovis High junior guard Jakeem Wynn shoots over a pack of El Paso Cathedral defenders during the first half of Friday night's championship game in the Griego & Sons Classic at Rock Staubus Gym. Wynn finished with 13 points and earned all-tournament honors, but the Wildcats came up short in a 45-30 loss to the Fighting Irish



Irish deny Cats' title bid

El Paso Cathedral rides deliberate style to 45-30 victory.

BY THE STAFF OF THE NEWS

CLOVIS — Scott Robinson had hoped his Clovis High boys basketball team could pull off a tournament championship in this week's Griego & Sons Classic at The Rock.

The Wildcats came up short in Friday's title game, falling to El Paso Cathedral. Still,

Robinson believes the Cats (6-7) have certainly taken a step in the right direction.

"It was good for us," he said of playing for the title. "We got two out of three (wins) in our tournament, and we played for the championship. It was good for our kids."

The Fighting Irish, who have already played 22 games (13-9), used their deliberate style on offense and stifling defense to pull away from Clovis in the final quarter, outscoring Clovis 14-4 in that span.

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"They're a very good, well-disciplined team," Robinson said of Cathedral. "Their going to run their offense, and be patient and make you work on the defensive end."

After taking an early 3-2 lead, the Cats went cold and managed only two more points the rest of the first quarter. The game stayed fairly close from there until the final period.

Senior 6-foot-4 post Michael Kirkland scored 19 points for Cathedral en route to tournament MVP honors. Junior post Cole Urrea, who added nine points on a trio of 3-pointers, also made the all-tourney team for the Irish.

"We had the right game plan," Robinson said. "We did a good job in our matchup zone (defense). It was hard to go man-to-man because they make you play through a lot of screens."

Junior guard Jakeem Wynn led the Cats with 13 points. Wynn and senior guard Taith Kuchta were chosen to the all-tournament squad for Clovis.

Rounding out the all-tourney selections were Carlsbad's



Staff photo: Tony Bullocks

Clovis High junior guard Brandon Romero is fouled by a El Paso Cathedral defender on his way to the basket in the first half of Friday Night's championship game.

Brenden Boatwright and Highland's Taylor Turner.

The Cats have four games remaining before starting district play on Jan. 17 at home

against Eldorado, including home-and-home matchups against longtime former district rival Hobbs. Their next outing is on Thursday at Roswell High.

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Go figure
20
Consecutive wins for top-ranked Villanova, a school record. The Wildcats on Saturday won at No. 10 and previously unbeaten Creighton 80-70.

● Saturday's scoreboard

College football

TaxSlayer Bowl at Jacksonville, Fla.
Georgia Tech 33, Kentucky 18
Citrus Bowl at Orlando, Fla.
LSU 29, Louisville 9
CFP semifinals
Peach Bowl at Atlanta
Alabama 24, Washington 7
Fiesta Bowl at Glendale, Ariz.
Clemson 31, Ohio St. 0

AP Top 25 basketball

Men
No. 1 Villanova (14-0) beat No. 10 Creighton (13-1) 80-70
No. 5 Duke (12-2) lost to Virginia Tech 89-75
No. 6 Louisville (12-2) beat No. 16 Indiana (10-4) 77-62
No. 7 Gonzaga (14-0) beat Pacific 81-61

No. 9 North Carolina (12-3) lost to Georgia Tech 75-63
No. 12 Virginia (11-2) lost to No. 20 Florida St. (14-1) 60-58
No. 17 Xavier (12-2) beat Georgetown 81-76
No. 19 Saint Mary's (12-1) beat San Diego 72-60
No. 24 Notre Dame (12-2) beat Pittsburgh 78-77, OT

Women

No. 14 Ohio St. (12-4) beat Indiana 92-82

National Basketball Association

Memphis 112, Sacramento 98
Milwaukee 116, Chicago 96
Cleveland 121, Charlotte 109
Houston 129, New York 122
Utah 91, Phoenix 88
Oklahoma City 114, L.A. Clippers 88

National Hockey League

Boston 3, Buffalo 1
Washington 6, New Jersey 2

Columbus 4, Minnesota 2
N.Y. Islanders 6, Winnipeg 2
Tampa Bay 3, Carolina 1
Pittsburgh 4, Montreal 3, OT
N.Y. Rangers 6, Colorado 2
Florida 3, Dallas 1
Arizona at Calgary (n)
Vancouver at Edmonton (n)
San Jose at Los Angeles (n)

● Inside

Alabama and Clemson posted semifinal wins on Saturday to advance to the College Football Playoff championship game.

By the numbers

Scores, standings and more

Sports on TV

Sunday

The Associated Press All Times MST

Men's college basketball

Noon — FS1, St. John's at DePaul
2:30 p.m. — FS1, Marquette at Seton Hall

NFL football

11 a.m. — CBS, Houston at Tennessee
11 a.m. — FOX, Dallas at Philadelphia
2:25 p.m. — CBS, Oakland at Denver
2:25 p.m. — FOX, N.Y. Giants at Washington

6:20 p.m. — NBC, Green Bay at Detroit

NHL hockey

1 p.m. — NBC, Centennial Classic, Detroit at Toronto

Prep football

11 a.m. — ESPN, Under Armour All-America Game, at Orlando, Fla.

Rugby

11:30 a.m. — NBCSN, English Premiership, Leicester vs. Saracens (same-day tape)

Soccer

9 a.m. — NBCSN, Premier League, Crystal Palace at Arsenal

Women's college basketball

Noon — ESPN2, Alabama at South Carolina

2 p.m. — ESPN2, Kentucky at Tennessee
4 p.m. — ESPN2, Temple at Memphis

Monday

College football

11 a.m. — ABC, Outback Bowl, Florida vs. Iowa, at Tampa, Fla.

11 a.m. — ESPN, Cotton Bowl, W. Michigan vs. Wisconsin, at Arlington, Texas

3 p.m. — ESPN, Rose Bowl, Southern Cal vs. Penn St., at Pasadena, Calif.

6:30 p.m. — ESPN, Sugar Bowl, Auburn vs. Oklahoma, at New Orleans

Men's college basketball

7 p.m. — ESPN2, La.-Lafayette at UALR

NHL hockey

11 a.m. — NBC, Winter Classic, Chicago at St. Louis, at Busch Stadium

Soccer

8 a.m. — CNBC, Premier League, Burnley at Manchester City

8 a.m. — NBCSN, Premier League, Liverpool at Sunderland

10:15 a.m. — NBCSN, Premier League, Manchester United at West Ham

Women's college basketball

4:30 p.m. — FS1, Seton Hall at Butler
6:30 p.m. — FS1, Creighton at Marquette

Basketball

Prep tournaments

EPAC

Jan. 4-7 (Seeds in parentheses)

Boys

Wednesday (Melrose)

Game 1: (6) San Jon vs. (3) Melrose, 3 p.m., new gym

Game 2: (9) Tatum vs. (8) Grady, 4:30 p.m., old gym

Game 3: (5) Dora vs. (4) Floyd, 6 p.m., new gym

Game 4: (10) Elida vs. (7) Logan, 7:30 p.m., old gym

Thursday (Melrose)

Game 5: Game 2 winner vs. (1) Texico, 4:30 p.m., new gym

Game 6: (2) Fort Sumner vs. Game 4 winner, 7:30 p.m., new gym

Game 7: Game 3 loser vs. Game 2 loser, 3 p.m., old gym

Game 8: Game 4 loser vs. Game 1 loser, 6 p.m., old gym

Friday (ENMU, Portales)

Game 9: Game 8 loser vs. Game 7 loser, 10:45 a.m.

Game 10 (semifinal): Game 6 winner vs. Game 1 winner, 2:15 p.m.

Game 11 (semifinal): Game 3 winner vs. Game 5 winner, 5:45 p.m.

Saturday (ENMU, Portales)

Game 12: Game 6 loser vs. Game 5 loser, 9 a.m.

Game 13: Game 8 loser vs. Game 7 loser, 10:45 a.m.

Game 14 (3rd place): Game 10 loser vs. Game 11 loser, 4 p.m.

Game 15 (championship): Game 10 winner vs. Game 11 winner, 8 p.m.

Girls

Wednesday (Melrose)

Game 1: (9) Floyd vs. (8) Grady, 3 p.m., old gym

Game 2: (6) Dora vs. (3) Logan, 4:30 p.m., new gym

Game 3: (5) Fort Sumner vs. (4) Elida, 6 p.m., old gym

Game 4: (10) Portales JV vs. (7) Melrose, 7:30 p.m., new gym

Thursday (Melrose)

Game 5: Game 1 winner vs. (1) Texico, 3 p.m., new gym

NFL standings

The Associated Press All Times MST					NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
AMERICAN CONFERENCE					East						
	W	L	T	Pct	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
East					y-Dallas	13	2	0	.867	408	279
y-New England	13	2	0	.867	x-N.Y. Giants	10	5	0	.667	291	274
x-Miami	10	5	0	.667	Washington	8	6	1	.567	386	364
Buffalo	7	8	0	.467	Philadelphia	6	9	0	.400	340	318
N.Y. Jets	4	11	0	.267	South						

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
South						
y-Houston	9	6	0	.600	262	304
Tennessee	8	7	0	.533	357	361
Indianapolis	7	8	0	.467	387	372
Jacksonville	3	12	0	.200	298	376
North						
y-Pittsburgh	10	5	0	.667	372	303
Baltimore	8	7	0	.533	333	294
Cincinnati	5	9	1	.367	298	305
Cleveland	1	14	0	.067	240	425
West						
x-Oakland	12	3	0	.800	410	361
x-Kansas City	11	4	0	.733	352	284
Denver	8	7	0	.533	309	291
San Diego	5	10	0	.333	383	386
Sunday's Games						
New England at Miami, 11 a.m.						
Cleveland at Pittsburgh, 11 a.m.						
Carolina at Tampa Bay, 11 a.m.						
Dallas at Philadelphia, 11 a.m.						
Houston at Tennessee, 11 a.m.						
Buffalo at N.Y. Jets, 11 a.m.						
Chicago at Minnesota, 11 a.m.						
Baltimore at Cincinnati, 11 a.m.						

Game 6: (2) Tatum vs. Game 4 winner, 6 p.m., new gym

Game 7: Game 3 loser vs. Game 1 loser, 4:30 p.m., old gym

Game 8: Game 4 loser vs. Game 2 loser, 7:30 p.m., old gym

Friday (ENMU, Portales)

Game 9: Game 6 loser vs. Game 5 loser, 9 a.m.

Game 10: Game 8 loser vs. Game 7 loser, 12:30 p.m.

Game 11 (semifinal): Game 6 winner vs. Game 2 winner, 4 p.m.

Game 12 (semifinal): Game 3 winner vs. Game 5 winner, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday (ENMU, Portales)

Game 13: Game 8 winner vs. Game 7 winner, 10:45 a.m.

Game 14 (3rd place): Game 11 loser vs. Game 12 loser, 2:15 p.m.

Game 15 (championship): Game 11 winner vs. Game 12 winner, 6 p.m.

Girls

Wednesday (Melrose)

Game 1: (9) Floyd vs. (8) Grady, 3 p.m., old gym

Game 2: (6) Dora vs. (3) Logan, 4:30 p.m., new gym

Game 3: (5) Fort Sumner vs. (4) Elida, 6 p.m., old gym

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Game 13: Game 8 loser vs. Game 7 loser, 10:45 a.m.

Game 14 (3rd place): Game 10 loser vs. Game 11 loser, 4 p.m.

Game 15 (championship): Game 10 winner vs. Game 11 winner, 8 p.m.

All-tournament team

Cathedral: Michael Kirkland (MVP), Cole Urrea. Clovis: Jakeem Wynn, Taitt Kuchta. Carlsbad: Brenden Boatwright. Highland: Taylor Turner.

Citizens Bank tournament

At Texico

Wednesday

Quarterfinals

Muleshoe 66, Tucumcari 58

Farwell 70, Tularosa 48

Mesilla Valley 81, Clayton 37

Texico 79, Eunice 43

Thursday

Consolation semifinals

Tularosa 52, Tucumcari 43

Eunice 41, Clayton 34

Championship semifinals

Farwell 51, Muleshoe 41

Mesilla Valley 68, Texico 65

Friday

Clayton 60, Tucumcari 51 (7th)

Tularosa 51, Eunice 37 (5th)

Texico 66, Muleshoe 56 (3rd)

Farwell 62, Mesilla Valley 41 (championship)

Girls

Plateau Holiday Classic

At Rock Staubus Gym

Wednesday

Quarterfinals

Farlington 39, Amarillo Caprock 33

Lovington 44, Piedra Vista 40

Dumas 42, St. Pius 33

Highland 56, Clovis 51

Thursday

Consolation semifinals

Piedra Vista 47, St. Pius 38

Clovis 48, Amarillo Caprock 38

Championship semifinals

Farlington 44, Lovington 42

Highland 52, Dumas 47

Friday

Tatum 34, Amarillo Caprock 28 (7th)

Clovis 57, Piedra Vista 47 (5th)

Farlington 49, Lovington 33 (3rd)

Dumas 39, Highland 33 (championship)

Note: St. Pius played only the first two days of the tournament. Tatum filled in for Friday's 7th-place game.

All-tournament team

Dumas: Hannah Brooks (MVP), Mattee Fangman. Highland: Brooklyn Crawford, Esperanza Crespin. Farlington: Lyla Denny. Highland: Teya Morris.

Citizens Bank tournament

At Texico

Wednesday

Quarterfinals

Farwell 66, Tularosa 57

LV Robertson 65, Friona 36

Texico 54, Dexter 14

Eunice 63, Tucumcari 44

Thursday

Consolation semifinals

Tularosa 50, Tucumcari 47

Friona 37, Dexter 35

Championship semifinals

Farwell 56, Eunice 51

LV Robertson 38, Texico 36

Friday

Tucumcari 50, Dexter 14 (7th)

Tularosa 70, Friona 48 (5th)

Texico 56, Eunice 48 (3rd)

Farwell 49, LV Robertson 41 (championship)

Prep summaries

Saturday

Wildcat Classic

At Littlefield

Boys

Third place

Happy 67, Portales 55

Happy — Trevor Phillips 12, Karson Bryan 6, Colton McCarty 13, Mitch Downing 5, Dalton Gray 10, Sterling White 19, Jackson Davis 2. Totals 21 17-24 67.

Portales (8-2) — Darion Ontiveros 4, Junior Ramirez 12, Jase Wallace 8, Treyton Noele 1, Braden Bridges 8, Jeremie Kamgbaye 16, Ethan Self 6. Totals 22 49-55.

Happy 21 12 19 15 — 67

Portales 14 10 19 12 — 55

3-pointers — Happy, McCarty 3, Phillips 3, Downing, White. Portales, Bridges 2, Ramirez 2, Self 2, Wallace.

Girls

Wildcat Classic

At Littlefield

Consolation bracket

Denver City 55, Portales 47

Portales (8-2) — Sarah Lovato 5, Zamoye Cox 13, Kelly Frazee 8, Lindsey Blakely 12, Sky Marianito 2, Taylee Rippee 7. Totals 16 11-16 47.

Denver City (14-3) — Morgan Diaz 10, Cassidy Esmerado 9, Moraima Villegas 2, Aniela Adams 13, Holly Hemmeline 15, Denisse Saenz 6. Totals 18 16-25 55.

Portales 16 6 8 17 — 47

Denver City 14 11 12 18 — 55

3-pointers — Portales, Frazee 2, Cox, Lovato. Denver City, Esmerado 2, Diaz.

Late Friday

Boys

Logan 47, Grady 27

Grady (4-7) — Lucas Whitehead 8, Ivan Valdez 1, Daniel Edwards 3, Chisum Rush 13, Jayden Garrett 2. Totals 9 7-17 27.

Logan (3-6) — Kyle Knight 4, Gabe Randolph 4, Nathan Collins 12, Chase Earle 4, Hayden Inge 11, Jerome Earle 2, Collin Roach 6, Riley Bruhn 4. Totals 16 11-24 47.

Grady 5 5 10 7 — 27

Logan 14 13 12 8 — 47

3-pointers — Grady, Rush 2, Logan, Collins 3, Inge.

Dora 74, Elida 40

Elida (2-7) — Will Haley 2, Baylee Oder 5, Kauli Burton 22, Elian Gallegos 4, Trayton West 5, Levi Kline 2. Totals 13 30-40.

Dora (6-4) — Hayden Skinner 6, Joseph Urioste 2, Dylan Roberts 4, Andrew Puebla 10, Zac Dewbre 4, Aaron Jasso 7, Caleb Fuller 8, Slade Hamann 21, Xavier Gramzow 10, Shaun Miller 2. Totals 27 11-16 74.

Elida 11 12 11 6 — 40

Dora 21 20 15 18 — 74

3-pointers — Elida, Oder. Dora, Hamann 5, Puebla 2, Jasso, Roberts.

Junior varsity — Dora 60, Elida 28.

Griego & Sons Classic

At Rock Staubus Gym

Championship

El Paso Cathedral 45, Clovis 30

El Paso Cathedral (13-9) — Franz Reyes 5, Alex Hernandez 8, Michael Kirkland 19, Christopher Frasier 4, Cole Urrea 9. Totals 17 7-17 45.

Clovis (6-6) — Brandon Romero 5, Dominic Urioste 4, Jakeem Wynn 13, Leroy Wilson 2, Ethan Davis 2, Jonathan Williams 4. Totals 12 5-8 30.

EP Cathedral 11 11 9 14 — 45

Clovis 5 11 10 4 — 30

3-pointers — El Paso Cathedral, Urrea 3, Kirkland. Clovis, Urioste.

Citizens Bank tournament

At Texico

Third place

Texico 66, Muleshoe 56

Muleshoe (5-9) — Jesse Leal 4, Tre Villa 5, Jason Flores 7, Beto Diaz 13, Donovan Gutierrez 1, Dagen Dunham 24, Javy Perez 2. Totals 21 11-15 56.

Texico (8-4) — Brock Thompson 4, Dalton Thatcher 22, Lance Myers 2, Braden Frazee 17, Mason Golden 2, Nathan Phipps 9, Paden McDermid 10. Totals 24 13-19 66.

Muleshoe 9 13 18 16 — 56

Texico 17 10 17 22 — 66

3-pointers — Muleshoe, Dunham 2, Diaz. Texico, Thatcher 4, Frazee.

Girls

Logan 45, Grady 26

Grady (4-6) — Leah Starbuck 2, Timia Northcutt 1, Avery Lee 3, Sage Starbuck 4, Jasmine Gonzales 1, Skylar Saul 2, Yara Sotelo 13. Totals 9 8-15 26.

Logan (9-1)

— Jordan Hines 7, Kaylee Foote 11, Karli Webb 10, Ashlon Snipes 2, Kristi Earle 2, Kesleah Shields 2, Harlie Roach 11. Totals 17 8-12 45.

Grady 5 5 8 8 — 26

Logan 14 15 11 5 — 45

3-pointers — Grady, none. Logan, Webb 2, Hines.

Elida 50, Dora 33

Elida (8-2) — Lacy Ferguson 12,

STEERS, LADY BLUE POST CHAMPIONSHIPS AT TEXICO



Staff photos: Kevin Wilson

(Above) Farwell senior guard Jace Perkins drives around Mesilla Valley's Hunter Coyle during the first quarter of Friday's Citizens Bank tournament boys championship game at Texico. Perkins scored 27 points to help the Steers beat the SonBlazers 62-41.

(Right) Steers senior guard Brandon Galvan looks to whip a pass around Mesilla Valley defender Adrian Estrada.

(Below) Farwell sophomore Maria Maldonado gets past Las Vegas Robertson defender Maria Barela on a first-quarter drive to the basket during the girls finals of the Citizens Bank tournament on Friday. Maldonado finished with a team-high 17 points and had three of the Lady Blue's eight 3-pointers in a 49-41 victory over the Lady Cardinals.



COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Tide, Tigers meet again in CFP final

By Paul Newberry
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ATLANTA — Alabama is heading back to the national championship game.

Bo Scarbrough and another stifling performance by Nick Saban's defense made sure of that.

The top-ranked Crimson Tide scored 10 points off turnovers, including Ryan Anderson's interception return for a touchdown late in the first half, and Scarbrough's 68-yard TD run in the fourth quarter clinched a 24-7 victory over Washington in the Peach Bowl semifinal Saturday.

Scarbrough finished with 180 yards and two scores, garnering offensive MVP honors.

Alabama (14-0) moves on to Tampa for a shot at its second straight title and fifth in the last eight years under Saban. The Tide will face Clemson, which routed Ohio State 31-0 in Saturday's Fiesta Bowl, in the Jan. 9 championship game.

No. 4 Washington (12-2) reached the College Football Playoff with a remarkable turnaround season after struggling much of the last two decades — including an 0-12 debacle in 2008.

But Jake Browning and the Huskies' balanced offense were no match for Alabama's top-ranked defense, even after an impressive drive gave them an early 7-0 edge.

"After we got into the flow of the game, I thought we did pretty well on defense," said Saban, who now has a chance to join Bear Bryant as the only coaches to win six national titles in the poll era.

The Tide began to exert its dominance late in the first quarter when John Ross caught a screen pass, only to have the ball stripped away by Anthony Averett. Jonathan Allen recovered, giving Alabama possession at the Washington 40 and setting up Adam Griffith's 41-yard field goal for a 10-7 lead.

Anderson made an even bigger defensive play with just over a minute to go in the half. With blitzing linebacker Reuben Foster bearing down on him, Browning desperately heaved a pass into the flats for Lavon Coleman. Anderson stepped in to pick it off, knocked Coleman over in the process and was off to the end zone on a 26-yard return that made it 17-7 at the half.

For Alabama, it was the

11th defensive touchdown of the season.

Nothing could have been more fitting.

"We've studied every snap that they've had this year, and the tape doesn't lie when you watch that much tape," Washington coach Chris Petersen said. "I mean, that's as good a defense as there is out there in college football, and they played like it."

Any hopes of a Washington comeback were snuffed out by Scarbrough, a starter at most schools but a backup for the deep, talented Tide. On a simple running play to the left, he appeared to be stopped by two players just short of the line of scrimmage.

But Scarbrough somehow managed to stay on his feet and — boom! — he was gone. Streaking down the field in front of the Alabama bench, he avoided another defender with a subtle deke, cut back toward the middle of the field at the Washington 30 and outran everyone to the end zone.

Scarbrough also scored Alabama's first touchdown with a bruising, 18-yard run.

"Bo's been playing pretty well for us the last three or four games," Saban said. "We wanted to play him more. He's hard to tackle. He's big and powerful. He's playing with a lot of confidence."

Clemson 31, Ohio State 0

— At Glendale, Arizona, Deshaun Watson ran for two touchdowns and threw another and No. 3 Clemson crushed No. 2 Ohio State.

Tigers coach Dabo Swinney had sold his team on making this a redemptive trip to the desert by winning at the site where they lost to Alabama in the national title game last season. With that taken care of, Clemson (13-1) now gets another crack at the top-ranked Crimson Tide in Tampa, Florida, on Jan. 9. The teams that started the season ranked Nos. 1 and 2 will most certainly end it that way, too.

In what figures to be Watson's final college game, he will try to lead Clemson to its first national title since 1981. The junior and Heisman Trophy runner-up passed for 259 yards and ran for 57 against the Buckeyes (11-2), who could not keep Clemson's big and quick defensive line out of their backfield.

COLLEGE BOWLS

LSU, Georgia Tech post easy victories in bowl contests

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ORLANDO, Fla. — Sophomore running back Derrius Guice ran for 138 yards, including a 70-yard touchdown, and caught a scoring pass to help No. 19 LSU Tigers to a 29-9 victory over No. 15 Louisville in Saturday's Buffalo Wild Wings Citrus Bowl.

Guice, who stepped in for departed Leonard Fournette, consistently made explosive plays running the ball, as a receiver and a kickoff return man for the Tigers (8-4).

His performance was eclipsed only by the overpowering performance of the Tigers defense that completely shut down Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback Lamar Jackson and the Cardinals. The Cardinals did not score a touchdown.

Jackson was sacked eight times, including a safety for an 8-yard loss late in the second quarter. Jackson completed just 10 of 27 passes for 153 yards while leading the rushing attack with 33 yards as the Cardinals (9-4) ended their sea-

son with three straight losses.

Georgia Tech 33, Kentucky 18

— At Jacksonville, Florida, Dedrick Mills ran for a career-high 169 yards and a touchdown, Justin Thomas scored in his final collegiate game and Georgia Tech cruised in the TaxSlayer Bowl on Saturday.

The Yellow Jackets (9-4) also got significant contributions from defense and special teams en route to their fourth consecutive victory.

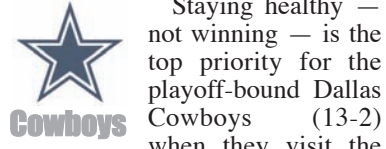
Playing without running back Marcus Marshall, who decided to transfer after the regular-season finale, Tech turned to Mills to handle the workload. And the freshman from nearby Waycross, Georgia, delivered. He carried a career-high 31 times as the Yellow Jackets won back-to-back bowl games for the first time in more than a decade.

The Wildcats (7-6) looked like a team merely content with being in a bowl game. They couldn't slow down coach Paul Johnson's flexbone spread option and really struggled to get much going on the ground.

Avoiding injuries Cowboys' top priority

By Rob Maaddi
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHILADELPHIA — Dak Prescott and Ezekiel Elliott prefer playing over resting.



Staying healthy — not winning — is the top priority for the playoff-bound Dallas Cowboys (13-2) when they visit the Philadelphia Eagles (6-9) on Sunday because they already clinched home-field advantage throughout the NFC playoffs. Don't tell their two dynamic rookies this game doesn't matter. "No game is meaningless," Prescott said. "There's quality reps against a quality team that's in our division that we'll play for years to come. Any reps I can get against a good team to make myself better and get some momentum going into the playoffs, I'll take it."

Elliott needs 178 yards to break Eric Dickerson's rookie record. There's no chance coach Jason Garrett gives him enough carries, if any, to reach that mark. "Everything is meaningful, even though it may not matter if we win or lose," Elliott said. "We're trying to stay sharp, trying to have a sharp edge every week so we can go into this playoffs like a high-octane machine. We're not taking weeks off." After watching Derek Carr and Marcus Mariota suffer season-ending injuries broken legs last week, every coach has to be wary of playing his starters in a game with no playoff implications. But Garrett didn't give any indication he planned to sit his best players. Dallas had nothing at stake Monday night, but Prescott played the entire game and led Dallas to a 42-21 win over the Lions. Tony Romo could make his season debut for the Cowboys when-

ever Prescott finishes his tuneup, though owner Jerry Jones said the veteran doesn't need any reps to be ready for the playoffs. No. 3 quarterback Mark Sanchez should see action against his former team. The Eagles nearly beat Dallas with more at stake on Oct. 30. They wasted a 10-point lead in the fourth quarter and Prescott tossed a touchdown pass to Jason Witten in overtime. Here are some things to watch for when the NFC East rivals meet in the regular-season finale: **The other rookie QB:** Carson Wentz, the No. 2 overall pick, is second behind Prescott in yards passing and TD passes by rookies. Wentz is two completions away from breaking Sam Bradford's rookie record. He will become the first QB to start 16 games for the Eagles since Donovan McNabb in 2008. "I'm very fortunate," Wentz said. "I think, first of all, it goes to the guys up front doing a great job protecting me. But ultimately, I'm very

fortunate. This is a fluky game. Things happen. I've just got to thank the Lord for that, for sure." **Depleted d-line:** The Cowboys are likely to be without three starters on their defensive line: ends DeMarcus Lawrence (back) and Tyrone Crawford (hamstring/shoulder) and tackle Terrell McClain (ankle). All three figure to be ready for the playoffs. But to get through this game, Dallas signed end Richard Ash off Jacksonville's practice squad after putting Ryan Davis (knee) on injured reserve. Linebacker Kyle Wilber, who has played defensive end in the past, will likely be there after seeing some time in that spot against Detroit. **Last backs standing:** The Eagles have placed three running backs on injured reserve this month, including leading rusher Ryan Mathews. Rookie Byron Marshall should get much of the workload in his second career game, along with veteran Darren Sproles. Marshall, undrafted out of

Oregon, spent most of the season on the practice squad. "You don't want to just practice and then go home on the weekend and watch like a fan," he said. **Dez at QB?** Executive vice president of personnel Stephen Jones joked on his radio show that Dez Bryant wanted to be in quarterback meetings and was lobbying offensive coordinator for Scott Linehan for more passing plays. Bryant threw his first career touchdown to Jason Witten on a trick play against the Lions. Of course, Prescott had to answer a question about whether the 2014 All-Pro receiver was in the QB room: "No, not at all," Prescott said in his typical no-nonsense style. **Finishing strong:** The Eagles snapped a five-game losing streak by defeating the Giants 24-19 last Thursday. That allowed the Cowboys to clinch the NFC East and the No. 1 seed. Despite a disappointing season after starting 3-0, Philadelphia looks to end on a high note with a two-game winning streak.

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in 2004 and 10th among nine players. Linebacker Michael Walton earned the honor in 1988 and 1999.

Just to the east, at Greyhound Arena, senior outside hitter Lauren Frye put together her own piece of success. Frye, the conference's 2013 freshman of the year, became the Greyhounds all-time kills leader with 1,701 and its first All-American since Jennifer Goble in he early 1990.

"I'm just really happy for her," ENMU volleyball coach Sia Poyer said of Frye. "It's funny, I still remember my conversation with her when she was a freshman and I told her she was good enough to be an All-American. That's looking only at her athletic ability. She was still young and hadn't been playing volleyball her whole life.

"I think a lot of the time, I don't appreciate how much better she's gotten until I watch footage. How she's able to hit some of her shots is remarkable. I give all the credit to Lauren and her hard work."

The college's third All-American, however, was probably a surprise to everybody — even Mercy Rotich herself.

The transfer from El Paso Community College and native of Kenya came from out of nowhere to placed second in the LSC meet, first in the South Central Regionals and sixth in the national Division II meet.

"It's pretty crazy, honestly," ENMU coach Danielle Kcholi said of the junior. "At the start I thought she might be our fifth girl in all honesty, but once we



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ENMU junior running back and Clovis High grad Kamal Cass led the Lone Star Conference in rushing for the second consecutive year and was one of the school's three NCAA Division II All-America selections during the 2016 calendar year, joining senior outside hitter Lauren Frye (volleyball) and junior Mercy Rotich (women's cross country).

discovered some issues and addressed them, everything just got exponentially better as time went on. I think we've barely tapped into her talent."

As far as new Greyhounds leaders, there were three notable new faces.

Waggoner came from Western State University in Colorado to become ENMU's new athletic director. He served in the same position at WSU for 20 seasons, and replaced the retiring Jeff Geiser.

The men's basketball team, following a last-place finish in the conference, hired an assistant from LSC

champion Midwestern State. Tres Segler was hired following a search that started with Geiser calling every LSC school and asking which assistant was ready to run a program. The consensus, Geiser said, was Segler.

Katie Welborn, a former catcher for Tarleton State and assistant at Lubbock Christian, began her tenure as Greyhounds softball coach. She finished 13-39 in her first season.

Other notables from the sports year at ENMU include:

The Greyhounds football team made its second-straight appearance in the

C.H.A.M.P.S. Heart of Texas Bowl. This time, they fell victim to Fort Hays State in a 45-12 setback.

Women's basketball coach Josh Prock moved into third place in coaching wins with the school. With 32 wins, the fourth-year coach trails the late Dan Buzard (47) and Wayne Moore (318). He also led the team to its first six-game winning streak in 12 years before the Greyhounds fell to Western Washington shortly before Christmas.

The volleyball team finished fourth in conference, and Frye was named the LSC's offensive player of the year.

Patience playing dividends in resurgence of Raiders

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ALAMEDA, Calif. — When the Oakland Raiders lost the first 10 games in general manager Reggie McKenzie's third season back in 2014, fired his hand-picked coach and fell to 11-37 under his leadership, few would have questioned owner Mark Davis had he made a change.

Instead, Davis stuck with McKenzie, and is receiving the dividends for his patience this season.

The Raiders have used a young core led by 2014 draft picks Derek Carr and Khalil Mack; two strong free-agency classes aided by McKenzie's moves early in his tenure to get the salary cap in order; and more shrewd pickups in the draft and from street free agents. Oakland (12-3) is back in the postseason for the first time since 2002, with a chance to wrap up the AFC West on Sunday.

"We were in constant communication throughout the four years leading up to this year," McKenzie said about Mark Davis, who showed more patience than his father Al did when he had six coaches in his final nine seasons before dying in 2011.

"Nobody's excited about losing seasons, but he did see the promise and he believed in me. So to me, that's enough said, I told him my process and he knew it wasn't going to be a quick fix. We could try it, but that wasn't my style. That says a lot, because he's probably getting it from a whole lot of people to hurry up."

The Raiders aren't the only contender that has benefited from patient leadership. Similar moves have paid off to various

extents in Dallas, Detroit and Tennessee.

Cowboys owner Jerry Jones struck with coach Jason Garrett despite one playoff berth and winning record in his first five full seasons. Now, Dallas is the top seed in the NFC.

Garrett began his tenure with three straight 8-8 seasons, but Jones believed he was learning on the job. The Cowboys then went 12-4 the following year before dropping to four wins in 2015 when Tony Romo missed most of the season. They rebounded this season behind rookie quarterback Dak Prescott and running back Ezekiel Elliott.

"I can't say enough the job that Jason is doing," Jones said. "Now, I have seen Jason do some really good things. Last year was, I think, a little 'come to Jesus' for everybody. And we didn't do well. And we certainly didn't make the kinds of adjustments this year to be going with our third-string quarterback is remarkable. And, so, I am excited. But let me not slight it at all. I am just thrilled with Jason's job he's done coaching."

Many expected Bob Quinn to fire Jim Caldwell in Detroit after taking over as general manager last offseason with the Lions coming off a 7-9 year. Instead Caldwell came back for a third season and his calm ways seemed to help the Lions rally from an NFL record eight fourth-quarter comebacks.

The Lions head into the final week-end needing to beat Green Bay to win the franchise's first division title since 1993. Detroit also could get into the playoffs as a wild card if Washington loses to the Giants.

If Detroit makes the playoffs, Caldwell will likely be back next year

for a fourth season. If the Lions fall short, Caldwell's chances of being retained could take a hit.

Tennessee general manager Jon Robinson could have easily searched for his own coach after taking over the Titans last January. He decided to give interim coach Mike Mularkey a chance at the full-time job despite a 2-7 record in place of Ken Whisenhunt in 2015 and two failed tenures in Buffalo and Jacksonville.

Tennessee was in position to win the AFC South before a loss last week, a development Robinson said might not have been possible without the continuity of keeping Mularkey on board.

"Mike and his staff have done a real good job of promoting confidence with the players and really harping on guys on what they can do, and telling them we can compete against these guys, and telling them we can go out and we can win football games," Robinson said. "Not just play and give a good showing, but win."

But patience is far from the norm in the NFL, as evidenced by Buffalo's decision to fire Rex Ryan this week after less than two full seasons, part of an AFC East revolving door of coaches outside of New England.

Since Bill Belichick arrived in 2000, the Bills, Jets and Miami have combined for 23 coaches as they all try to chase the Patriots.

"Sometimes people act quickly and they get to do what they want to do because they're the owners and they're the ones pulling the strings," Seattle coach Pete Carroll said. "We all get so much better at this as we work at it. I'm a pretty good indication of that."

National Football League statistics

The Associated Press Week 16 TOTAL YARDAGE								
AFC				NFC				
Offense				Offense				
	Yards	Rush	Pass		Yards	Rush	Pass	
New England	385.6	116.8	268.8	Richard, Oak	32	288	9.0 47 0	
Oakland	383.2	124.3	258.9	Norwood, Den	25	204	8.2 17 0	
Pittsburgh	376.7	112.7	263.9	Mariani, Ten	26	194	7.5 17 0	
Tennessee	366.1	138.9	227.2	Erickson, Cin	27	195	7.2 24 0	
Indianapolis	363.1	102.3	260.8	D.Hester, Bal	25	180	7.2 28 0	
Buffalo	362.4	170.8	191.6	Greene, Jax	21	131	6.2 42 0	
Cincinnati	356.0	107.7	248.3	Kickoff returners				
San Diego	354.0	92.1	261.9	No Yds Avg LG TD	Erickson, Cin	28	796	28.4 84 0
Baltimore	348.5	92.7	255.8	D.Hester, Bal	19	466	24.5 60 0	
Kansas City	341.5	109.7	231.9	Tate, Buf	27	595	22.0 45 0	
Miami	336.3	116.6	219.7	Mariani, Ten	25	541	21.6 37 0	
N.Y. Jets	329.3	111.7	217.6	Scoring				
Jacksonville	325.9	96.6	229.3	TD Rush Rec Ret Pts	Blount, NE	17	17	0 0 102
Denver	321.3	89.4	231.9	McCoy, Buf	14	13	1 0 86	
Houston	316.4	120.9	195.5	A.Brown, Pit	12	0	12 0 72	
Cleveland	302.6	98.7	203.9	Gordon, SD	12	10	2 0 72	
Defense				Defense				
	Yards	Rush	Pass		Yards	Rush	Pass	
Houston	305.7	99.5	206.2	D.Murray, Ten	12	9	3 0 72	
Jacksonville	317.5	107.3	210.3	L.Murray, Oak	12	12	0 0 72	
Baltimore	318.9	85.1	233.7	T.Hill, KC	11	3	6 2 66	
Denver	322.4	135.2	187.2	Bell, Pit	9	7	2 0 56	
New England	329.5	89.5	240.1	Je.Hill, Cin	9	9	0 0 54	
Pittsburgh	336.3	91.3	245.1	Crabtree, Oak	8	0	8 0 50	
San Diego	345.9	97.6	248.3	Kicking				
N.Y. Jets	349.9	100.9	249.1	PAT FG LG Pts	Tucker, Bal	26-26	37-38	57 137
Cincinnati	351.8	116.0	235.8	Janikowski, Oak	37-39	29-35	56 124	
Buffalo	358.9	133.5	225.3	Novak, Hou	20-23	34-39	53 122	
Tennessee	362.1	91.1	270.9	Vinatieri, Ind	41-41	26-29	54 119	
Kansas City	366.5	120.6	245.9	Gostkowski, NE	43-46	25-29	53 118	
Indianapolis	376.8	116.3	260.5	Santos, KC	32-35	28-32	54 116	
Oakland	376.9	115.9	260.9	McManus, Den	29-30	28-32	55 113	
Miami	381.7	141.8	239.9	Lambo, SD	39-43	24-30	47 111	
Cleveland	397.8	147.6	250.2	Myers, Jax	27-30	25-30	56 102	
NFC				NFC				
Offense				Offense				
	Yards	Rush	Pass		Yards	Rush	Pass	
New Orleans	422.9	107.3	315.5	Succop, Ten	36-38	21-23	53 99	
Atlanta	412.5	119.1	293.5	Quarterbacks				
Washington	411.3	110.5	300.8	Att Com Yds TD Int	Brees, NO	623	442	4858 35 14
Dallas	388.8	155.1	233.7	M.Ryan, Atl	571	384	4630 24 10	
Arizona	368.3	109.9	258.4	A.Rodgers, GB	571	374	4128 36 7	
Green Bay	363.5	103.2	260.3	Stafford, Det	553	362	3980 22 9	
Chicago	358.7	103.5	255.3	Palmer, Ari	559	344	3978 23 13	
Seattle	355.9	100.3	255.7	R.Wilson, Sea	514	334	3961 20 11	
Tampa Bay	349.5	100.3	249.2	Winston, TB	532	325	3888 27 17	
Carolina	344.3	112.4	231.9	Manning, NYG	571	360	3847 26 16	
Philadelphia	336.8	113.3	223.5	Prescott, Dal	451	307	3630 23 4	
Detroit	334.2	82.3	251.9	Rushers				
N.Y. Giants	330.6	83.4	247.2	Att Yds Avg LG TD	E.Elliott, Dal	322	1631	5.1 601 15
San Francisco	311.8	130.5	181.3	Da.Johnson, Ari	288	1233	4.3 581 16	
Minnesota	311.1	72.1	239.1	Howard, Chi	229	1178	5.1 69 6	
Los Angeles	272.0	80.0	192.0	C.Hyde, SF	217	988	4.6 47 6	
Defense				Defense				
	Yards	Rush	Pass		Yards	Rush	Pass	
Minnesota	314.3	101.9	212.5	D.Freeman, Atl	215	983	4.6 48 10	
Arizona	317.3	97.7	219.6	Ingram, NO	185	940	5.1 751 5	
Seattle	323.1	95.0	228.1	Gurley, LA	264	845	3.2 241 6	
Los Angeles	336.5	105.1	231.5	Stewart, Car	198	759	3.8 47 8	
N.Y. Giants	343.4	91.9	251.5	Kelley, Was	156	671	4.3 66 6	
Dallas	343.8	81.5	262.3	Mathews, Phi	155	661	4.3 30 8	
Chicago	344.9	121.7	223.2	Receivers				
Detroit	348.5	103.2	245.3	No Yds Avg LG TD	Beckham, NYG	96	1323	13.8 751 10
Philadelphia	352.6	105.5	247.1	J.Jones, Atl	76	1313	17.3 751 5	
Green Bay	361.0	95.9	265.1	Mi.Evans, TB	91	1256	13.8 451 11	
Carolina	363.7	90.2	273.5	Jo.Nelson, GB	91	1191	13.1 60 14	
Atlanta	364.4	102.7	261.7	Cooks, NO	75	1154	15.4 981 8	
New Orleans	369.4	98.9	270.5	Baldwin, Sea	92	1084	11.8 59 7	
Tampa Bay	370.1	116.5	253.7	Olsen, Car	77	1051	13.6 781 3	
Washington	380.9	117.0	263.9	K.Britt, LA	68	1002	14.7 66 5	
San Francisco	408.4	171.1	237.3	Tate, Det	85	1000	11.8 67 3	
INDIVIDUAL LEADERS				INDIVIDUAL LEADERS				
AFC				NFC				
Quarterbacks				Quarterbacks				
	Att Com Yds TD Int		Att Com Yds TD Int	S.Martin, Det	58	2810	63 48.4	
Rivers, SD	540	327	4117	31 19	Hekker, LA	91	4343	78 47.7
Flacco, Bal	623	404	4050	20 14	Morstead, NO	53	2527	66 47.7
Dalton, Cin	535	346	3980	17 8	Bosher, Atl	40	1875	68 46.9
Carr, Oak	559	356	3933	28 6	Wing, NYG	85	3934	63 46.3
Luck, Ind	505	322	3919	29 12	Anger, TB	65	2986	59 45.9
Roethlisberger, Pit	509	328	3819	29 13	C.Jones, Dal	54	2466	63 45.7
Bortles, Jax	586	343	3604	22 16	Do.Jones, Phi	59	2688	72 45.6
Mariota, Ten	451	276	3426	26 9	Way, Was	42	1861	61 44.3
Brady, NE	399	266	3278	25 2	Jo. Ryan, Sea	67	2942	62 43.9
Al.Smith, KC	461	307	3238	13 7	Punt returners			
Rushers				Rushers				
	Att Yds Avg LG TD		Att Yds Avg LG TD	Moore, Was	22	288	13.1 851 1	
Bell, Pit	261	1268	4.9 44 7	Sherels, Min	19	247	13.0 791 2	
D.Murray, Ten	282	1266	4.5 751 9	Roberts, Det	20	246	12.3 851 2	
McCoy, Buf	229	1257	5.5 751 13	Weems, Atl	21	234	11.1 73 0	
Ajayi, Mia	244	1213	5.0 621 8	A.Humphries, TB	22	230	10.5 25 0	
Blount, NE	285	1110	3.9 44 17	Royal, Chi	19	166	8.7 651 1	
L.Miller, Hou	268	1073	4.0 45 5	Austin, LA	41	346	8.4 47 0	
Gordon, SD	254	997	3.9 48 10	Lockett, Sea	29	243	8.4 62 0	
Gore, Ind	247	964	3.9 22 4	Kerley, SF	19	150	7.9 26 0	
S.Ware, KC	214	921	4.3 46 3	L.Whitehead, Dal	22	172	7.8 39 0	
Je.Hill, Cin	222	839	3.8 741 9	Kickoff returners				
Receivers				Receivers				
	No Yds Avg LG TD		No Yds Avg LG TD	De.Johnson, Ari	20	16	4 0 122	
Hilton, Ind	85	1353	15.9 631 6	E.Elliott, Dal	16	15	1 0 96	
A.Brown, Pit	106	1284	12.1 51 12	Jo.Nelson, GB	14	0	14 0 84	
Kelce, KC	84	1117	13.3 801 4	D.Freeman, Atl	12	10	2 0 72	
Landro, Oak	78	1100	14.2 641 4</					