

Candidate Q&A: Texico School Board Position 3

Craig Rohrbach is looking to start his fifth year on the Texico School Board, but he's been challenged for the spot by Charles Vannatta during this year's election.

Texico School Board Position 3 will be decided Tuesday.

The News sat down with both candidates to talk about themselves and what they'll do if elected.

Charles Vannatta

Why are you running?

My goal is to bring unity to the schools in my community and maintain quality throughout the entire school.

My goal would be to help further the school and make it better than it already is. With my background of public safety and being a public servant for 11 years, I'm familiar with good rela-

tions and working with the public to make those relationships right to work better and smoother with the community.

What experience do you have that best qualifies you for the job?

I've been working for the past 11 years in community relations in the Clovis community and Texico.

What is the best thing about your school system?

Right now the best thing is the kids' education. I have two kids in the school, one in high school and one in elementary. They came from Clovis and the education they receive in Texico is night and day better than it was in Clovis.

What do you see as your biggest challenge should you be elected?

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Building up some relationships with the community, the school and the administration. One of the biggest challenges will be to get that relationship back up to where it used to be.

Craig Rohrbach

Why are you running?

My kids go to Texico and I wanted to continue on the tradition of excellence that they've established.

What experience do you have that best qualifies you for the job?

I've been all over the world in previous times and I've been managing Parmer County Cotton Growers since 2006. I'm good at working with people and managing projects.

I'm a licensed engineer so

any capital expenditures we add I can give a level of expertise that most people can't. It helps in those regards.

What is the best thing about your school system?

The quality of students that we have matched with a teaching staff that is in education for the right reasons and that's to make a difference in kids lives.

What do you see as your biggest challenge should you be elected?

Just like any school board it's balancing what's right for the kids with what is required by the state and a budget that fluctuates up and down based on the revenue from the state.

— Compiled by Staff Writer Mathew Brock

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you need is integrity, a sense of character, a sense of vision, being able to do things differently and being able to interface with many kinds of people. Those things add a great deal to my ability to perform that job well, should I be elected.

What is the best thing about CCC?

The best thing is the flexibility in what it can offer in training and raising up the community in both education and information. It interfaces in the community at a more personal level than say a four-year college. It's not quite as structured and is more able to fit into our needs. It's a community college and that's why it is very, very important to the community.

What is the biggest challenge for the trustees in the

next term? Remaining non-political and broadening the scope of what the community college can do. There's also managing the budget and getting enrollment to increase for a budget increase or finding additional funding for us.

CCC has just hired Charles Nwankwo as its new president. Nwankwo comes with many credentials, but this is his first time as a college president. What can trustees do to ensure his success?

Ensuring the staff will work with him and give him the insight he needs to manage the different departments and be able to work with him on the budget.

As far as what the trustees can do, it's the input from the staff that's most important. If they can really integrate with the staff and see what they do, the staff can feed into steering him in the direction he needs to go. It's about taking that input and producing good results.

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CCC and our students.

What do you believe qualifies you for the role?

I was elected by the people. I'm a retired police chief. I'm an FBI Academy graduate through the University of Virginia from command college. I was a city manager for a total of five years.

What qualifies me is that I want to make a difference to students who want to attend college at CCC. I want to be a driving force for them and to make programs and grants available to them.

What is the best thing about CCC?

Our students and definitely our faculty. The ratio is

about 17 to one. I've witnessed it myself, the faculty are very attentive to our students. There's no reason why any of our students should fail because we have instructors, faculty and staff that will step up to the plate and take the time to teach our students.

That's why we call it community college. We work hard for the community and that's what makes CCC special.

What is the biggest challenge for the trustees in the next term?

We've been lucky to receive legislative funding with the oil and gas revenue up. I think the challenge will be to continue to keep tuition low.

We've always supported low tuition rates; sometimes it has to go up, but we are one of the lowest tuitions in the state. And as for fees,

we try to keep those low too for the students.

Another challenge is keeping up with our infrastructure. We're working on redoing our parking lot right now.

Security is also a big deal for us, which is good right now, but we want to make it better. We want students and faculty to be able to focus on what's important.

A challenge is always money and the budget, but we're fortunate to have local legislators who support the community college.

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I was president of the presidential search committee. Charles Nwankwo

comes to us very excited. I have had many conversations and spoke with him just this Monday. He keeps telling me, "I am going to make CCC the best college in the state of New Mexico."

He has a passion for that and a passion for students. His background is also important. He was a cook for a restaurant working his way through and is a product of a community college and now has a PHD.

He comes to us very recommended by his previous university and they've all said it's his time now. I think it's important that we work with him.

There is a quote he shared with us that we agree with: "If you want to go fast, you go alone. If you want to go far, you go together."

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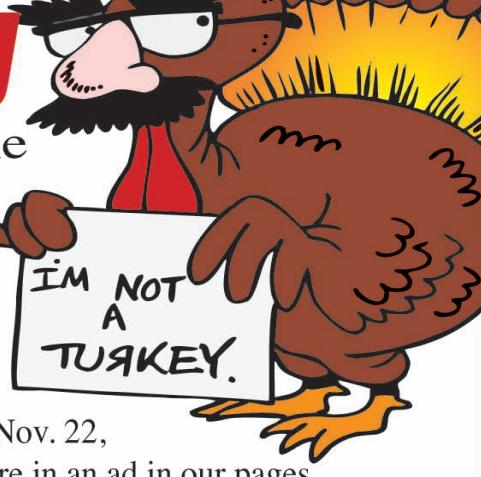
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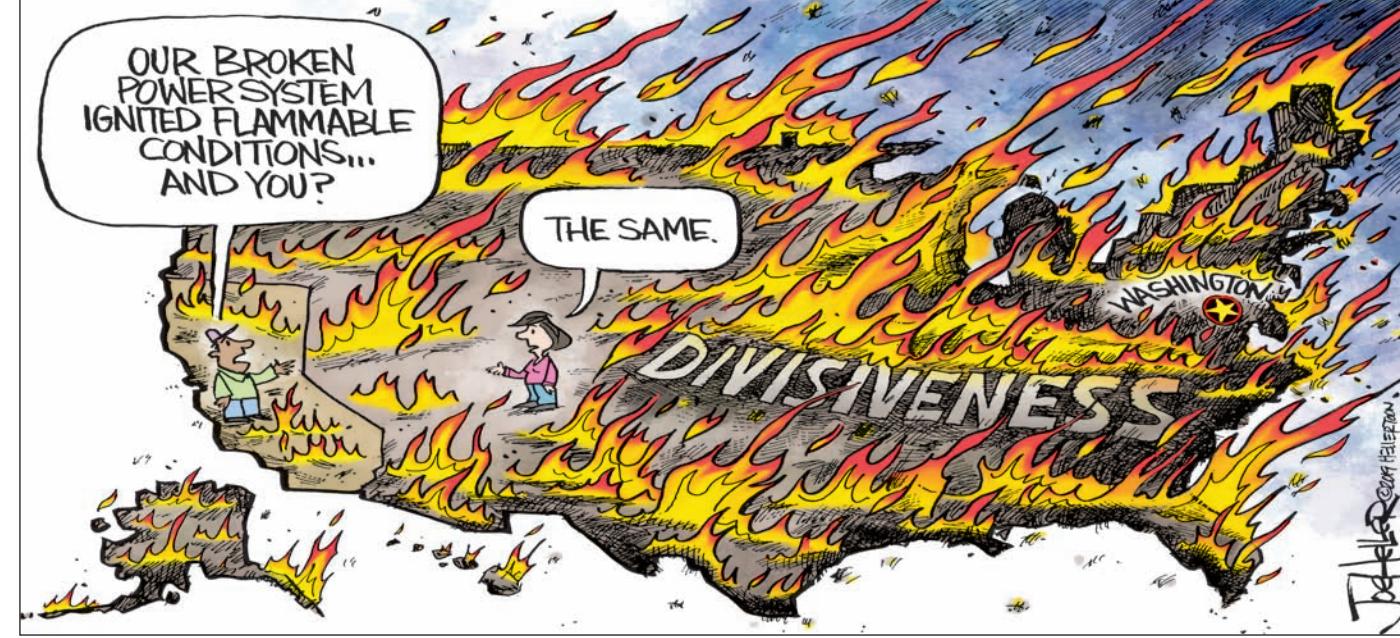


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Viewpoint

President Trump deserves credit in al-Baghdadi raid

One mark of how far we have fallen into the politics of division is the blowback the White House has experienced after the killing of Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi.

Now let's first stipulate that no one on this side of civilized society would seriously argue the world was a better place with al-Baghdadi in it. He was, after all, the leader of the Islamic State group that unleashed forces of tyranny, violence and destruction through parts of Syria and Iraq. His men also sacked cities, exploited all who fell under their control and created one of the largest refugee crises in modern history, as anyone with the ability fled to far-flung corners of the region and world.

Al-Baghdadi was a man who gave us live beheadings and torture, and who also personally took pleasure in human misery.

Kayla Mueller, an American abducted in Aleppo, Syria, was one of his victims. Kidnapped in 2013, she died in 2015 after, reportedly, al-Baghdadi had raped her multiple times.

So when American special forces caught up to al-Baghdadi late last month in a daring raid, it was a good example of one of our enemies being brought to justice, or, more accurately, justice being brought to an enemy of civilized society.

Let's also stipulate that how President Donald Trump talked about this raid, especially on the heels of his withdrawal of support for the Kurds in parts of Syria, all but invited some criticism. The raid, after all, appears to have been made possible in part by intelligence gathered through the Kurds, and it was the kind of military mission that will be harder to perform with a smaller American footprint on the ground.

Other critical voices also piped up to say that this raid was just another swing of the hammer in a never-ending game of whack-a-mole. Another terrorist leader will surely take al-Baghdadi's place.

We agree the administration should not have pulled back support for the Kurds, and instead it should be offering a clear vision with moral purpose for the war against extremists that would perpetrate violence against us and undermine democratic governments in the Middle East.

But don't count us among the voices who have a critical word to say about the al-Baghdadi raid. It was a brave move, and a decision Trump deserves credit for and rightly should characterize as a victory.

Our special forces who conducted the raid once again demonstrated the power of a professional military dedicated to the preservation of a free society.

And as for the whack-a-mole aspect to this war, we will say only that in combat, tempo matters. This raid delivered a blow to a dangerous terrorist organization, and now every ounce of energy it spends reconstituting itself is that much less energy available to perpetrating attacks against us and our allies.

— The Dallas Morning News

Clovis' Rizzo could really hit

Today is a good day to remember former Clovis Pioneers second baseman Phil Rizzo.

Stay with me here. Washington Nationals General Manager Mike Rizzo is front and center in the baseball world. That's because of his old-school approach as an executive — he favors scouting over analytics — and his team's World Series championship.

One of Mike Rizzo's favorite scouts is his father, Phil Rizzo, 89, a member of the Professional Baseball Scouts Hall of Fame.

Today is a good day to remember Phil Rizzo because of all the attention his son is receiving after the Nats beat the Houston Astros in Game 7 of the World Series on Wednesday. Also because all the attention has reminded Oklahoma Lane native Don Carpenter about the 1953 game in which he saw Phil Rizzo play baseball — and fight — in Clovis.

The Baseball Reference website tells us 24-year-old Phil Rizzo played just 14 games for the Pioneers at the beginning of the 1953 season. He hit .250 in 40 at-bats with one home run.

Carpenter remembers Rizzo vividly because of a game he attended as a 12-year-old. It was the Pioneers' home opener, played on April 30, 1953.

"As frequently happens at this



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time of year, the weather was horrible — it was cold and blowing dust," Carpenter wrote in an email.

"The Lubbock Hubbers were the opponent, and the Pioneers' ace, Red Dial, was the starting pitcher.

"In the top of the first inning, Hubbers catcher Jim Schindler ... came to bat. Red promptly put a fastball between his shoulder blades, to which Schindler took offense and charged the mound, bat in hand.

"Just before reaching Red and doing him harm, Rizzo ... jumped in front of Red and punched Schindler, at which point the great brawl erupted."

Carpenter, who grew up east of Farwell and lives in El Paso now, wrote in his email that players from both teams quickly filled the field.

Even Clovis Manager Grover Seitz participated, losing his cap in the melee.

"Don Moore ... still had his (catcher's) gear on and had a Hubber down, sitting on him and poking his eyes with his fin-

gers just behind home plate," Carpenter wrote.

"Another great Pioneer, outfielder/pitcher Roy Parker, was behind the mound taking on Hubbers one at a time with great success.

"The fighting was all over the field and it was impossible to see it all.

"The two umpires were helpless in trying to break it up. The police were called and they were also pretty ineffective. Fights broke out in the stands and a few fans attempted to get on the field and join the festivities."

Carpenter said Phil Rizzo required stitches as a result of the battle.

And newspaper accounts back up most of Carpenter's memories.

The Clovis News-Journal reported the Pioneers beat Lubbock, 19-14, following a "free-for-all."

"The Pioneers held an edge in the slugging," the paper reported.

"But the official box score fails to come up with an accurate account of the other slugging contest."

The paper reported the fight lasted about 10 minutes with a dozen players "actively engaged in the fist throwing and grapping."

The newspaper account disagrees with Carpenter's memory in that it reported Dial did not

hit Schindler with the pitch. But "Schindler evidently thought Dial was aiming for the head."

"In less time than it takes to beat out a bunt, the game was forgotten."

As for Rizzo's participation, CNJ reported he "put lots of scrap into the fiasco" and "had a gash through his upper lip. Although he was able to return to the lineup, the injury required half a dozen stitches when the baseball hostilities ceased."

Two other significant events occurred during that game, at least for Rizzo.

A newspaper sidebar reported Rizzo won a steak dinner from the Busy Bee cafe after scoring Clovis' first run of the home season. He also won \$2 in trade at the Magic Steam Laundry for being the first Clovis player to reach second base safely.

Finally, the sidebar made note of Rizzo and the brawl and how he came to suffer his cut lip.

"There were plenty of bruises, but none compared to the gash suffered by Rizzo, who showed unusual scrapping tendencies. ... His teammates charge that the wound came as a result of a blow from behind from an unidentified Hubber."

Memorable indeed.

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Monopolies bad for energy consumers

Tens of thousands of acres scorched by unstoppable wildfires.

Thousands of people evacuated from their homes near San Francisco and Los Angeles.

Electricity shut off to millions to prevent hurricane-strength Santa Ana winds from downing transmission wires and starting new fires.

Wildfire season in California makes headlines every year, but it's nothing unnatural and nothing new.

It's been a cruel fact of nature up and down the once Golden State since before I was born.

When I was growing up my father had a ranch near Malibu. We had some wildfires out there, but what got burned were barns, stables and lots of grass and bushes.

But around the 1970s the building boom came and tens of thousands of people moved into places like West Lake Village and the Simi Valley, where a

grassfire threatened the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library last week.

So today, what gets burned down in wildfire season isn't just a barn or two — it's people's expensive homes.

It's a recurring tragedy. I feel terrible for the people who lose their homes in wildfires.

Everyone likes to blame the recent wildfires on Pacific Gas & Electric, the private gas-and-electric utility that has the monopoly to provide power to the central and northern parts of the state.

PG&E is plenty guilty.

Its downed power lines and exploding transformers have

started several major fires, including the destructive and deadly Camp Fire last year north of San Francisco, which is why the company has declared bankruptcy.

PG&E's got billions in legal claims to pay off, which is why the state gave it permission to raise its electricity rates, though they are already some of the highest in the U.S.

Like most regulated monopolies that are protected for decades by government from competition, PG&E is a poorly run, inefficient and antiquated company that charges customers higher and higher prices and provides lousier and lousier service.

What's worse, the company has been forced by the Democrats who run this one-party state to do a lot of really dumb things for environmental or politically correct reasons.

Instead of, say, spending the money to put powerlines under-

ground decades ago or upgrading its transmission equipment, the company has had to blow billions on solar panels and other forms of green energy.

Other green policies mandated by the state have prevented PG&E from clearing enough trees and brush away from their powerlines to prevent fires.

Meanwhile, poor forestry management by governments has left gigantic amounts of wood and undergrowth that make wildfires bigger, more destructive and impossible to control.

Because the state has given PG&E and smaller power companies monopolies over their regions, energy consumers like me get screwed again and again.

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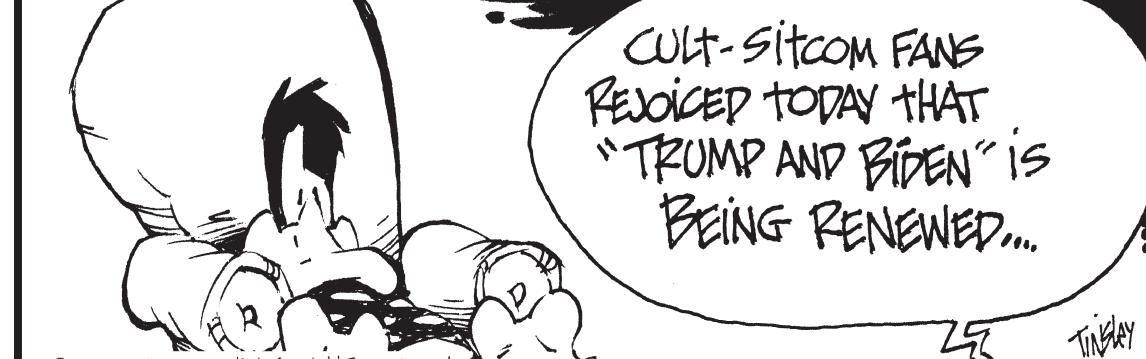
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Wars shouldn't be a struggle between ourselves

The words weren't aimed directly at me, but I was recently flummoxed by an unexpected undercurrent of animosity.

In an online post, a military veteran refused to confine his anger to people who spit on veterans or ignore veterans. He vented about citizens who actually pause to acknowledge the contribution of former servicepeople.

Echoing the recent gun-control backlash against "thoughts and prayers," the veteran expressed disdain for people who are satisfied with flying an American flag, shaking hands with a veteran or dashing off a rousing Nov. 11 opinion piece.

The veteran's message could be paraphrased as, "If you really gave a rat's rear end about veterans, you'd be mowing my lawn or cleaning out my garage instead of making meaningless gestures."

I don't know what percentage of veterans secretly share that writer's sentiments, but perhaps it's time to deal with the elephant that many of us didn't realize was in the room.

Yes, more of us need to learn to make veteran appreciation a 365-day-a-year habit. And, yes, there are shallow, selfish civilians with way too much leisure time on their hands. I agree these people should not be encouraged to pat themselves on the back for the herculean task of clicking "Like" on a patriotic social media post.

On the other hand, it is unrealistic and unfair to expect all of society to "jump when I say jump and ask how high on the way up" when disgruntled veterans start prescribing exactly how honor should be paid.

Many veterans return from war with hideous physical and psychological wounds, but most civilians have their own ailments and obstacles to overcome. Multiple part-time jobs. Special-needs children. Chronic fatigue syndrome. Aging parents. All these situations can rob a well-meaning person of the time, energy and flexibility to do chores for veterans.

Also, honoring veterans is an admirable endeavor,



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but not the only good work that society needs performed. And veterans might be helped indirectly by some of those other projects that people choose to devote their time and talents to.

It might be a veteran's niece who gets helped by a Breast Cancer Awareness Month fundraiser. It might be their grandchild who benefits from the positive role model of a volunteer youth athletics coach. It might be their lifelong best friend who gets a decent home because of Habitat for Humanity volunteers.

Finally, sometimes ignorance is an excuse. Some veterans may hide their disabilities too well. People may assume veterans have family members to help them. People may assume veterans would be offended by offers of assistance.

The number of disastrous dates, successful scams and bad hiring decisions in this country demonstrate that we are not a nation of mind readers. Veterans truly in need of assistance should be willing to make their needs known to neighbors, churches or civic groups.

Does there exist a single soldier, Marine, sailor or airman who didn't at some point wish a superior officer would cut them some slack and grant them the benefit of the doubt?

On behalf of other civilians, I humbly ask for a little patience and understanding from our nation's veterans.

Civilians, use that breathing space to be more mindful of the needs of those who kept us free.

Our country's wars should be a struggle against the enemies of liberty, not a struggle among ourselves.

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Trump's removal wouldn't be fresh start for GOP

Republican senators will soon be receiving an invitation to tear apart the GOP ahead of the 2020 elections, and they are going to decline to accept it.

It's a trope of pro-impeachment commentary that it should be simple for Republican senators to swap out President Donald Trump, who puts them in awkward positions every day, for Vice President Mike Pence, an upstanding Reagan conservative who could start with a fresh slate in the runup to the 2020 election.

The only flaw in this scenario is that it is entirely removed from reality.



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If Senate Republicans vote to remove Trump on anything like the current facts, even the worst interpretation of them, it would leave the GOP a smoldering ruin. It wouldn't matter who the Democrats nominated for 2020. They could run Bernie Sanders on a ticket with Elizabeth Warren and promise to make Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez secretary of the

treasury and Ilhan Omar secretary of defense, and they'd still win.

A significant portion of the Republican Party would consider a Senate conviction of Trump a dastardly betrayal. Perhaps most would get over it, as partisan feelings kicked in around a national election, but not all. And so a party that has won the popular vote in a presidential election only once since 1988 would hurtle toward November 2020 divided.

How does anyone think that would turn out?

A lot of Trump supporters are going to want to blame the Republican establishment even if

Trump loses in 2020 with the backing of the united party apparatus. Imagine what they will think if a couple of dozen

Republican senators decide to deny him the opportunity to run for reelection, without a single voter having a say on his ultimate fate.

It's hard to come up with any scenario better designed to stoke the populist furies of Trump's most devoted voters.

Trump himself isn't going to get convicted by the Senate and say: "Well, I'm a little disappointed, to be honest. But it was a close call, and Mike Pence is a great guy, and I'm just grateful I had the opportu-

nity to serve in the White House for more than three years."

He won't go away quietly to lick his wounds. He won't delete his Twitter account. He won't make it easy on anyone. He will vent his anger and resentment at every opportunity. It will be "human scum" every single day.

And it's not as though the media is going to lose its interest in the most luridly telegenic politician that we've ever seen. The mainstream press would be delighted to see Trump destroyed, yet sad to bid him farewell.

The obvious way to square the circle would be to continue to give Trump

lavish coverage in his post-presidency. He'd be out of the White House but still driving screaming CNN chyrons every other hour.

In other words, Trump's removal wouldn't be a fresh start for Pence and the GOP; it would be more like getting stuck in the poisonous epilogue of the Trump era, awaiting the inevitable advent of the Elizabeth Warren, Joe Biden or Pete Buttigieg era.

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Tax increase not a solution

Regarding Clovis' critical water situation: Our city commissioners are correct. We have a problem. But they are going about it the wrong way if they increase our property taxes.

They are forcing it down our throats. A very high percentage of the people in Clovis are on a

fixed income. They may or may not be able to afford this projected tax hike.

Commissioners should eliminate some of the projects that we are currently paying for that are not as important as our water situation. Do it this way.

Or, more importantly, let the citizens vote. If it is approved by

the citizens, then go for it.

Remember, we all have the right to vote. Hitler and others like him tried it differently. That did not work.

If our citizens vote it in, then so be it. But let the people decide. This is a democracy.



Letters to the Editor

ANOTHER VIEWPOINT

Ethics prosecutions awfully partisan

BY MERRITT HAMILTON ALLEN

One of the funnest things about living in New Mexico is keeping up with the scandals perpetrated by our elected officials. It's not just a state: it's an ongoing Judge Judy episode.

According to the Coalition for Integrity (C4I), New Mexico ranked as the 10th most corrupt state in 2018. The interesting point about this study is that rankings were made solely on the states' existing ethics and transparency codes.

So, we're set up for corruption by statute (or lack thereof). And we have gotten used to it as citizens.

It seems that New Mexicans only get up in arms over bad behavior when it's committed by politicians from the opposite party. Our own folks get a bye.

Let's take DUI. We've had two legislators nabbed in the last two years for driving under the influence.

Last year a Republican was arrested in Bernalillo County. The police leaked the arrest footage, and "someone" ensured it got picked up nationally and internationally. The prosecutor made sure the trial would happen before the election. She was arrested in May, convicted by the end of September. She lost her re-election bid in November.

That's a pretty amazing result for

New Mexico and for Bernalillo County. According to Mothers Against Drunk Driving, N.M. generally does a poor job of prosecuting DUI offenders — statewide we have about a 34% conviction rate. Bernalillo County is even worse; 16% of arrests resulted in conviction. Yet, somehow, prosecutorial forces got it together to evince a rare conviction in the case of a Republican lawmaker.

Did I mention that the district attorney prosecuting the case is a Democrat? This year, a Democrat was arrested in Rio Arriba County at the end of June. Also, arrest footage was released to the media. So far, however, there is little progress; seven different judges have recused themselves or been bumped off the case. A trial date was set for mid-November, and the senator's counsel is requesting a jury trial. Meanwhile, the senator retains his chairmanship of the Senate Judiciary Committee, says he has no intention of resigning if convicted, and is planning to stand for reelection in 2020.

The senator will probably be OK, though. According to MADD, Rio Arriba County has barely a 5% conviction rate. And there hasn't been an elected Republican there since I think ever.

Then there's campaign finance. The former Republican secretary of state

was aggressively prosecuted in 2015 by the Democrat attorney general for misuse of campaign finance funds, to the tune of \$13,000. She pleaded guilty to diverting funds to private accounts to pay gambling debts and resigned.

Meanwhile, our current lieutenant governor spent over \$15,000 in campaign funds on private jets in October of 2018. No outrage, investigation or even interest.

Maybe — just maybe — the newly appointed bipartisan State Ethics Commission can make some headway not just on ethics violations, but also toward nonpartisan, apolitical prosecution of same. Unfortunately the Legislature that reluctantly created it continues to drag its feet — the first meeting of the Legislative Ethics Committee (LEC) was postponed two months and held on Oct. 21. No one from the public attended.

You don't have to be transparent if no one shows up.

Let's hope that either the public starts paying attention or the LEC publishes its meeting schedule. For the moment, though, it's a bad time to be on the wrong side of the aisle as well as the wrong side of the law.

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Obituaries

Betty Jo Beaver

November 17, 1927 - October 31, 2019

Betty Jo Beaver, age 91, lifelong resident of the Ranchvale/Clovis area passed away Thursday, October 31, 2019, in Albuquerque.

She was born in Muleshoe, Texas on November 17, 1927, to Louis and Emma (Kuykendall) Reid. Her family soon moved to the Grier area where she attended the

Ranchvale School and excelled in girls basketball. After graduating in 1946 she married the love of her life, Nolan Beaver. They farmed northwest of Clovis and raised three daughters. In 1960 she and Nolan became second generation School Bus Contractors providing bus transportation for the Clovis school district. Betty enjoyed driving a school bus for over 20 years. She was a collector of Depression glass, a quilter, and an avid bridge player. In her later years, bridge clubs and parties "became her job". She enjoyed and spent many hours with friends and family playing bridge and card games.

Betty is survived by her husband Nolan, of 73 years; her three daughters, Kathy (Glen) Adair of Clovis, Jody (Cliff) Skiles of Dalhart, TX and Jeannie Beaver of Clovis; four grandchildren, Cory (Kala) Adair of Clovis, Trey (Jennifer) Skiles of Hearne, TX, Kara (Matt) Morris of New Orleans and Jeb (Kelly) Skiles of Dalhart, TX; fourteen great grandchildren, Gage, Easton, and Cooper Adair, Kaleb Scott, Cullen, Carson, and Emmie Skiles, Jackson, Quinn and Kannon Morris, and Stewart, Lillie, Caitlyn and Knox Skiles, and several nieces and nephews.

Betty was preceded in death by her parents, seven brothers – Early, Thomas, S.B., Calvin, Raymond, Bill and Bud, two sisters – Kathryn Reid and Modean Walden, and three nephews – Bobby Walden, Dennis Reid and Scott Reid.

We would like to thank all the staff at Clovis Retirement Ranch and Albuquerque Presbyterian Hospital for their compassionate and loving care.

Cremation has taken place and a private family service will be held at a later date.

Services are by Steed Todd Funeral Home.



Mary Alton McKinney

March 5, 1927 - October 25, 2019

Mary Alton (Hill) McKinney, 92, formerly of Caddo, OK, was called home to be with her Lord and Savior on October 25, 2019, in Simpsonville, SC. She was born in Caddo, OK, on March 5, 1927. She was the daughter of Albert Sidney Hill and Altie Euphama (Boydston) Hill.

She is survived by her brother, Jack Hill of Caddo, OK. Mary was a very loving Wife, Mother, Grandmother and Great Grandmother. She will be lovingly remembered by her children, Donna Currell, Simpsonville SC; Ken McKinney, formerly of Caddo, OK; Mary Lynn Brinkman (Weldon), Hereford, TX and Celia Stone (Jerrell), Corpus Christi, TX. Also, she will be fondly remembered by her grandchildren, Angela Currell, of Simpsonville SC; Stephanie (Currell) Breit, Simpsonville SC; Brock Brinkman, Corpus Christi, TX; Derek Brinkman, Copper Mountain, CO; Denae (Brinkman) Graham, Amarillo, TX; Heather (Stone) Credeur, Denver CO; Heath Stone, Corpus Christi, TX and Hollen (Stone) Meyer, Austin, TX. She will also be remembered by 15 (and one on the way) great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Mary was married to Cleveland C. McKinney, deceased. She was preceded in death by John Henry Hill, Anna Marie Alexander, Thomas Albert Hill and Margaret Alice Birdsong.

She was known for her artistic talents in sewing, painting and Southwest jewelry.

Celebration of life will be Saturday, November 2nd, 11:00 a.m. at the First Baptist Church of Caddo, OK. Family and friends visitation will be at 10:00 a.m. before the service. Burial will follow at Gethsemane Cemetery in Caddo, OK. The Cunningham Funeral Home of Caddo, OK will be open Friday, November 1st until 4:00 p.m. for visitation.

The register book may be signed and condolences sent to the family online @ cunninghamfuneralhomesok.com.

Arrangements are entrusted to Cunningham Funeral Home in Caddo, Oklahoma.



Funerals

Tuesday

Eula Mae (Boots) Garner — 2 p.m. at the Causey Cemetery.

Saturday

Ila Jones — 4 p.m. (CST) at Mulkey-Bowles-Montgomery Funeral Home in Denton, Texas

Eula Mae "Boots" Garner

August 24, 1933 - November 1, 2019

Graveside services for Eula Mae (Boots) Garner, 86 of Portales will be held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday November 5, 2019, in the Causey cemetery with Butch Willoughby officiating and Gary Rains assisting. Pallbearers will be Gary Rains, John Hagen Rains, Kimberlee Rains, Jake Banister, Trent Wood, Hallie Rains, Colt Rains and Wes Chapman.



Boots Garner was born on August 24, 1933, in Seminole, Oklahoma to the home of Fred and Ola Mae Conley and died on November 1, 2019 in Portales, New Mexico. Boots grew up in Oklahoma and moved to Portales where she met Marvin Ray Garner. They were married on September 13, 1952. The couple had two daughters and made their home in Causey until the passing of Marvin April 1, 2001. They farmed for several years in Roosevelt county. Boots was a hard worker and worked in the fields for many years. She enjoyed cooking, ceramics, gardening, and loved her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Boots is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Shirley and Craig Chapman of Portales; three brothers, Bill Conley of Washington, Chuck Conley of California and James Conley of Texas; a sister, Margaret Smith of Portales; five grandchildren, Gary (Brandy) Rains and Misty Rains of Portales, Wes Chapman, Katey (Stetson) Snell and Charlee Walker all of Clovis; 13 great-grandchildren Jake Banister, Trent Wood, Hallie, Kimberlee and John Hagen and Colt Rains of Portales, and Kane Bender, Kagen Walker, Demi and Gabby Thompson, Alie Chapman, and Kingston and Stella Snell all of Clovis. Boots is preceded in death by her husband, Marvin Garner, a brother, Fred Conley, a daughter, Karen Garner and a grandson, Justin Rains.

Arrangements are under the direction of Wheeler Mortuary of Portales. 575-356-4455, wheelermortuary.net

Tuition

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He brought up a call he received from a non-traditional student taking one three-credit class. Once the course fees were calculated, Pyle said the cost was \$857 and nearly half of it was in fees that would pay for things that student never uses.

Smart noted that ENMU keeps its costs pretty low — "I think we're as lean and mean as we can be" — but it has drawbacks. For example, any drop in student enrollment means fewer student fees are collected, and there might not be enough to cover the \$4 million athletics budget that already competes against West Texas A&M and its \$16 million athletics budget.

Smart also noted the school has numerous infrastructure projects on the horizon, such as an upcoming demolition of Bernalillo Hall with anticipated costs of \$2 million; the best way to get state help is to have money for cash matches on

hand.

Regent Dan Patterson proposed the 2% tuition hike with no student fee increases, with carryover money covering any student fee deficit.

Nobody in the room knew what other universities in the state were planning for their 2020-21 tuition rates, since those same discussions were taking place with their trustees and regents. But they knew their choices might pull some students to ENMU that might have otherwise attended another New Mexico school.

"It is competitive," ENMU Chancellor Jeff Elwell said. "Maybe not New Mexico Tech, but everybody else, we're looking at the same students."

Smart asked regents what they'd do in a few years if enrollment did drop and a higher tuition and fees hike would be needed to balance the books from their Friday vote.

"Then we know we took a chance in something we wanted to do," Patterson said, "and it didn't work."

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Curry County General Election ballot

Curry County General Election Ballot Nov. 5	■ Gerald W. Garland	Position 3	■ Doyle Zane Carpenter
	■ Melrose School Board Position 1	■ Charles Bryan Vannatta ■ Craig Rohrbach	Position 3 Supervisor At-Large
Clovis School Board District 3	■ Barry L. Allen	■ Clovis Community College Board of Trustees District 1	■ Erik R. Nelson
■ Paul S. Cordova Jr.	Position 2	■ Laura Agnelia Leal	Grady Municipal Schools General Obligation Bond
District 4	■ Joseph W. Reed	■ Lora L. Harlan	Shall the Board of Education of the Gredy Municipal School District ... be authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the District, in one series or more, for the purpose of erecting, remodeling, making additions to and furnishing school buildings, purchasing or improving school grounds, purchasing computer software and hardware for student use in public schools, providing matching funds for capital outlay projects funded
■ Shawn L. Hamilton	Position 3	District 3	Doyle Zane Carpenter
District 5	■ Cedar C. Rush	■ Carolyn B. Spence ■ Raymond Mondragon	Position 3 Supervisor At-Large
■ Terry Martin	Texico School Board Position 1	Central Curry Soil and Water Conservation District Position 1 Supervisor	■ Erik R. Nelson
Grady School Board Position 1	■ Derek Kyle Cain ■ Jerred Orson Cooper ■ SandyMarie Pieratt	■ Spencer D. Pipkin	Grady Municipal Schools General Obligation Bond
■ Kathy D. Edwards	Position 2	Position 2 Supervisor	Shall the Board of Education of the Gredy Municipal School District ... be authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the District, in one series or more, for the purpose of erecting, remodeling, making additions to and furnishing school buildings, purchasing or improving school grounds, purchasing computer software and hardware for student use in public schools, providing matching funds for capital outlay projects funded
Position 2	■ Troy Lance Teague ■ Chad H. Davis		Doyle Zane Carpenter
Position 3			Position 3 Supervisor At-Large
■ James Carroll Schell			■ Erik R. Nelson
■ Kodie D. Weese			

Clovis' Cops and Kids event gears up

BY THE STAFF OF THE NEWS

CLOVIS — The Clovis Police Department is preparing for its annual "Cops and Kids" Christmas event.

The event occurs a few days before Christmas and gives local children a chance to go shopping with an officer or first responder. Each child ages 3-13 selected for the event will receive \$100 for the shopping spree.

Applications are available at the CPD

records department at 300 N. Connelly. A panel of officers and civilians review each application. Parents or guardians of selected children will be contacted with instructions. Applications must be received by Dec. 1.

The department will hold fundraisers 5 p.m. Dec. 3 at the Prince Street Leal's location and 6:30 a.m. Dec. 5 at Daylight Donuts.

Information: Det. David Sandoval, dsandoval@cityorclovios.org or Officer Roy Rice, rrice@cityofclovis.org

Election

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Curry County poll locations include Colonial Park Clubhouse, Roy Walker Recreation Center, Clovis Aquatic Center, Farmer's Electric, Curry County Road Barn, Pleasant Hill Fire Department, Texico

Community, Melrose City Hall, and Grady Senior Center.

As of 10 a.m. Saturday, 442 voters had cast early or absentee ballots.

The Roosevelt County ballot has a mill levy issue for Portales schools and four contested races — the three Texico School Board races and a Grady School Board Position 4 race between

Wendy Grigsby and William Runyan.

Roosevelt County poll locations include the Memorial Building and Jake Lopez Building in Portales, the Dora Senior Center, the Elida Community Center and the Floyd Community Center. As of 10 a.m. Saturday, 186 early and absentee votes were received.

Roosevelt County General Election ballot

Roosevelt County General Election Ballot Nov. 5	Position 3	activity vehicles for transporting students to and from extracurricular school activities, administering the projects undertaken pursuant to (this question), including expenditures for facility maintenance software, project oversight and district personnel specifically related to administration of projects funding by the Public School Buildings Act; provided that expenditures pursuant to this subsection shall not exceed 5% of the total project costs and purchasing and installing education technology improvements, excluding salary expenses of school district employees, but including tools used in the educational process that constitute learning and administrative resources?
	■ Charles Bryan Vannatta ■ Craig Rohrbach	■ For ■ Against
	Portales School Board Position 1	County Local Option Question A
■ Rodney O. Savage	■ Border Soil and Water Conservation District Position 1 Supervisor	Do the residents of Curry County wish to allow the sale, service and consumption of alcoholic beverages in the unincorporated areas of Curry County?
	■ Virginia A. Clemons	■ Yes ■ No
	Position 2 Supervisor	County Local Option Question C
■ Inez F. Rodriguez	■ Thomas Luther Holmes	Do the residents of Curry County wish to allow the issuance of restaurant beer and wine licenses in the unincorporated areas of Curry County?
	Position 5	■ Yes ■ No
■ David R. Rankin	Roosevelt Soil and Water Conservation District Position 1 Supervisor	
	■ Mitzi V. Miller	
	Dora School Board Position 1	
■ Patrick D. Kircher	■ Position 2 Supervisor	
	■ Andrea L. King	
	Position 3	
■ Tyrl A. Tipton	■ Position 5 Supervisor	
	■ Brandon M. Dewbre	
	Elida School Board Position 1	
■ Chance Brendal Bradley	■ George K. Hay	
	Position 2	
■ Cody Ferguson	Central Curry Soil and Water Conservation District Position 1 Supervisor	
	■ Ricky G. Ledbetter	
	Floyd School Board Position 3	
■ Marvin Leon Nall	■ Position 5 Supervisor	
	■ Ryan J. Bollema	
	House School Board Position 3	
■ William M. Noland	■ House Municipal Schools General Obligation Bond	
	■ Position 4	
■ Wendy Green Grigsby ■ William C. Runyan	Shall the Board of Education of the Gredy Municipal School District ... be authorized to issue general obligation bonds of the District, in one series or more, for the purpose of erecting, remodeling, making additions to and furnishing school buildings, purchasing or improving school grounds, purchasing computer software and hardware for student use in public schools, providing matching funds for capital outlay projects funded pursuant to the Public School Capital Outlay Act, or any combination of these purposes, said bonds to be payable from general (ad volrem) taxes and to be issued and sold at such time or times upon such terms and conditions as the Board may determine?	
	■ Position 5	
■ Dyron S. Ray ■ Phillip R. Runyan	■ For ■ Against	
	Melrose School Board Position 1	
■ Barry L. Allen	Portales School Buildings Tax Act	
	■ Position 2	
■ Joseph W. Reed	Shall the Portales Municipal School District No. 1 impose a property tax levy of \$1.25 per each \$1,000 of net taxable value of property allocated to the Portales Municipal School District No. 1 for the property tax years 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 for the purposes of erecting, remodeling, making additions to and furnishing school buildings, payments made pursuant to a financing agreement entered into by a school district or a charter school for the leasing of a building or other real property with an option to purchase for a price that is reduced according to payments made, purchasing or improving school grounds, purchasing	
	Position 3	
■ Cedar C. Rush	■ For ■ Against	
	Texico School Board Position 1	
■ Derek Kyle Cain ■ Jerred Orson Cooper ■ SandyMarie Pieratt		
	Position 2	
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■ For
■ Against

County Local Option Question B

Do the residents of Curry County wish to allow inter-local option district transfers in the unincorporated areas of Curry County?

■ Yes
■ No

County Local Option Question C

Do the residents of Curry County wish to allow the sale, service and consumption of alcoholic beverages in the unincorporated areas of Curry County?

■ Yes
■ No

Roosevelt County General Election Ballot Nov. 5

Position 3

■ Charles Bryan Vannatta
■ Craig Rohrbach

Border Soil and Water Conservation District Position 1 Supervisor

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■ For
■ Against

County Local Option Question A

Do the residents of Roosevelt County wish to allow the sale, service and consumption of alcoholic beverages in the unincorporated areas of Roosevelt County?

■ Yes
■ No

County Local Option Question B

Do the residents of Roosevelt County wish to allow inter-local option district transfers in the unincorporated areas of Roosevelt County?

■ Yes
■ No

County Local Option Question C

Do the residents of Roosevelt County wish to allow the issuance of restaurant beer and wine licenses in the unincorporated areas of Roosevelt County?

■ Yes
■ No

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Legal 8393
October 27, 2019
November 3, 2019
November 10, 2019

NINTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT
COUNTY OF CURRY
STATE OF
NEW MEXICO

Isaiah Raby,
PETITIONER
vs
Emily Lotze,
PETITIONER
NO. D-905-DM-02019-
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NOTICE OF PENDEN-
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TO: Emily Lotze, upon
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tion.

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that a Petition for
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against you
by Isaiah Raby.
Petitioner, pro se, in the
District Court of New
Mexico, Curry County.
The object of this suit is
an absolute Divorce on
the grounds of incompat-
ibility.

The Petitioner repre-
sents himself and his
address is 9705 A New
York CT, Clovis, NM
88101.

You are further notified
that unless you file a
responsive pleading or
motion by December
20, 2019, Judgment
other appropriate relief
will be rendered against
you in this cause by
default.

WITNESS my hand and
seal of the District Court
this 21st day of October,
2019

SHELLY BURGER
DISTRICT COURT
CLERK

By: Ashley Dosher
Deputy Clerk

Legal 8394
October 27, 2019
November 3, 2019

NOTICE OF HEARING
ON PROPOSED
ACTION
AFFECTING LIQUOR
LICENSE

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY
NOTIFIED that the
City Commission of the
City of Clovis, New
Mexico, has received formal
notice from the
Alcohol and Gaming
Division of the State of

LEGALS

AND FAMILIES
DEPARTMENT

New Mexico of an application
relating to a liquor
license to be transferred
into the corporate limits
of the City of Clovis and
which would if granted,
affect the status of the
license. The notice indicates
preliminary approval of the proposed
action by the Alcohol and
Gaming Division, and
notice was furnished to
the City of Clovis pursuant
to the provisions of
Section 60-6B-4, New
Mexico Statutes 1978
Annotated.

1. License: The license
in question is Application
No. 1137581 Restaurant
Beer and Wine Liquor
License with on
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2. Proposed Action:
Restaurant Beer and
Wine License, Coronado
BBQ, LLC, 4020 N.
Prince, Clovis, New
Mexico, 88101.

3. Hearing: The City
Commission of the City
of Clovis, New Mexico,
will conduct a public
hearing concerning the
proposed liquor license
action on Thursday,
November 7, 2019 at
5:15 p.m., in the Clovis
Carver Library North
Annex, 701 N. Main
Street, or information
requests can be sent to
the Regulation and
Licensing Department,
Alcohol and Gaming
Division, P.O. Box
25101, Santa Fe, New
Mexico, 87504-5101.

WITNESS BY HAND
and the seal of the City
of Clovis, New Mexico,
this 23rd day of October
2019.

/s/ LeighAnn Melancon
City Clerk

(S E A L)

Legal 8386
October 27, 2019
November 3, 2019
November 10, 2019

STATE OF
NEW MEXICO
COUNTY OF CURRY
NINTH JUDICIAL
DISTRICT
IN THE CHILDREN'S
COURT

STATE OF NEW MEXICO ex rel.
CHILDREN, YOUTH

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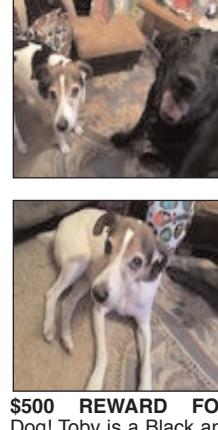
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Clovis ekes past Bears for 2/5-6A title

□ District title should assure Wildcats (7-3) at least top-eight seed.

BY THE STAFF OF THE NEWS

ALBUQUERQUE — A football team is trying to win its first district championship in four years. The team is at the 10-yard line and calls timeout with 14 seconds left, and takes a shot at the end zone rather than trying a field goal. The pass hangs in the air, seeming to some like it's in slow-motion. A star receiver playing his

last-ever regular-season high school game fakes his way open in the end zone and reels in the touchdown catch as he's falling down, putting his team ahead with under 10 seconds to go.

And, the player who threw the touchdown pass was seeing his first action in over a month after recovering from an ankle injury.

If that was pitched as a movie script, a producer might reject it. ‘Yeah, right,’ the producer might say, ‘I’m sure it would all happen just like

that.’

Well, it did happen for the Clovis High football team Friday night when playing on the road against La Cueva for the District 2/5-6A championship. The Wildcats did rally for a 35-30 victory against the defending district and state champions on Malik Phillips’ 10-yard touchdown reception from Chance Harris to capture the program’s first district title since 2015, the first for Cal Fullerton in his three seasons as Clovis head coach.

And, it was no movie, unless you count game film.

“I’m so proud of our kids and our

coaches,” Fullerton said. “I can’t really put into words how special it was (Friday) night for our kids overcoming adversity. I was proud of our offense, defense and special teams, but I was most proud of our sideline. They were into the game, cheering for everybody. You don’t get to see those kids (playing), but what they do during the week, they help get us prepared. So, just a great all-around effort.”

With a great itinerant fan base there rooting the team to victory.

“I sure appreciate all the students, the parents and the fans that came up

there,” Fullerton said. “It was pretty loud. It was a special night.”

Clovis had fallen behind late in the fourth quarter after a La Cueva touchdown and two-point conversion made it 30-29 with under two minutes to go in the fourth quarter.

After a touchback on the ensuing kickoff, the Wildcats set up shop at their own 20 with 1:40 remaining in the fourth. They began with a 37-yard pass from Harris to Jaden Phillips, making it first-and-10 at La Cueva’s 43.

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Staff photo: Kevin Wilson

Portales senior Kellan Hightower gets just enough of his fingers on the football to pull in the reception en route to an 86-yard touchdown. Hightower had five catches for 207 yards and three touchdowns in the Rams’ 35-13 win over Lovington.

CHS takes 2nd

□ Portales sends trio to Saturday’s 4A state meet.

BY THE STAFF OF THE NEWS

The state cross country championships will feature plenty of local runners, and a few debuts for the Portales Rams.

Both Clovis teams, and three Portales individuals made their way to the state cross country meet this weekend with qualifying finishes in their district races.

Clovis finished second to Hobbs in both the boys and girls races Friday at the 4-5A district meet in Carlsbad. The Eagle boys topped the Wildcats 33-

38, and won despite Clovis’ 1-2 finish with Jerrick Maldonado and T.J. Gregg.

“I think we ran fairly well,” Clovis coach Mark Bussen said of the Friday meet. “I hoped we would break them up a little more, but their girls are tough and their boys run really well. I feel like we’ll have a better chance in a bigger meet. I’m pretty excited about T.J. and Jerrick’s chances; they’re top five contenders and probably title contenders.”

Maldonado finished the 5K course at 16:13, with Gregg behind him at 16:23 and Kyle Richardson earning all-district too with his ninth-place finish (17:30).

Three Clovis girls took all-district as well, with Annalysse Hamlett second at 20:23, Shytle Tree eighth at 22:21 and Ali Tree 10th at 22:42. Hamlett fell to Hobbs’ Daniela Juardo-Coronado (20:10) for medalist honors, but did beat the Eagles’ Mitzy Madrid for her first time.

The Hobbs girls cruised to the team title, topping Clovis 19-59.

Other boys runners for Clovis included Kannon Brooks (14th, 18:05), Hayden Levy (15th, 18:09), Nehemiah Gonzales (16th, 18:27), Colin Tomoyose (18th, 18:37), Alejandro Chavarria (19th, 18:42) and Sage Spade (21st, 19:04).

Other Clovis girls runners were Yasmine Ledezma (19th, 22:39), Brittny Albin (20th, 25:45), Tayden Curtis (21st, 25:56) and Ava Munoz (23rd, 26:16).

Both Portales boys and girls teams finished in fourth place, just out of state qualification, but three Rams

Rams roll along

□ Win over Lovington wraps up fifth-straight district title.

By Peter Stein

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PORTEALES — Five was a lucky number for the Portales football team Friday night.

The Rams scored five touchdowns followed by five extra points, and made it five straight district titles by defeating Lovington 35-13 at Greyhound Stadium.

Portales improved to 9-1 overall, 3-0 district, while crowning itself the District 3/4-4A champion.

“Great team effort,” Rams head coach Jaime Ramirez said. “Our boys stepped up the way they have all year long.”

“It’s really great,” Portales junior quarterback Baylor Diaz said after slinging four touchdown passes against the Wildcats. “Especially to carry on the legacy, with five times (winning) district.”

“It feels great. Five years in a row,” said Rams senior receiver Kellan Hightower, who reeled in three of Diaz’s four scoring tosses.

“It’s amazing,” said Portales senior running back/defensive end Wromiah Gbassagee, who added a 63-yard touchdown run to the mix. “We’ve been doing this all year, and I’m proud of everybody on this team for putting in the work to get this W.”

A good word to describe Friday night’s game was brisk, partly because of the weather that was very mid-autumn-like. Part of the reason, though, was the brisk pace at which the Rams were able to score. Portales’ first two first downs of the night were both touchdowns. Three of the Rams’ first four first downs were touchdowns. Their fourth touchdown, which came early in the third quarter, was only their sixth first down. Their fifth touchdown, which occurred late in the third period, was only their eighth first down.

Diaz passed sparingly, going 7-for-11, but more



Staff photo: Kevin Wilson

Portales’ Dason Davis, left, and Michael White wrap up Lovington running back Kaleb Franco in Friday’s District 3/4-4A game at Greyhound Stadium. Portales defeated the Wildcats 35-13 to end the regular season at 9-1 overall and 3-0 in district play.

than half of those seven completions were for touchdowns, and he amassed 232 passing yards. Hightower only had five receptions, but 60 percent of those were scoring catches, and he totaled 207 receiving yards.

The Rams certainly made their opportunities count.

“Good execution,” Ramirez said. “I think it all goes hand-in-hand — good preparation, good execution. We can have the best game plan but they’ve got to execute it, and those boys did a good job tonight of executing.”

“We played aggressive, we played strong,” Gbassagee said. “We made a few mistakes but we came back from them.”

“We practiced all week in the cold,” Diaz said. “And I think we were ready for the cold.”

Portales’ defense was ready too, coming up huge on Lovington’s game-opening possession, which fizzled at the Rams’ 39 when the defense thwarted Wildcats senior quarterback Casey Perez as he tried to convert a fourth-and-one with a keeper up the middle.

The Rams’ special teams would soon be heard from as well. After Lovington’s defense forced a three-and-out on Portales’ ensuing possession, resulting in a fourth-and-19 punt from the Rams’ 30, Luciano Rodriguez recovered a ball jarred loose

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Elida returns to six-man title game

□ **Tigers set to host Springer-Maxwell Saturday afternoon.**

BY THE STAFF OF THE NEWS

ELIDA — For years, Elida didn't have enough boys to field sports teams.

How times have changed.

Next Saturday, the Tigers will be trying to claim what coach Jereme Woodruff said would be the school's first boys state championship in any sport.

Elida rolled to a 35-0 halftime lead on Friday and dispatched Hondo 61-14 in the 6-man state semifinals. The top-seeded Tigers (9-0) will host second-seeded

Springer-Maxwell (8-1) in a 1 p.m. Saturday title game. The Red Devils defeated defending champion Animas 40-36 on Saturday.

Elida lost at Animas in last year's finals.

Junior quarterback Teagan Burton threw for three touchdowns, including two to senior Jonathan Woodruff, who also caught a second-half scoring pass from Wesley Poling. Senior Will Haley returned a kickoff 75 yards for a touchdown and also rushed for a pair of scores for the Tigers, while senior Colton Ferguson had both a rushing and a receiving TD.

Jonathan Woodruff, the coach's son, recovered a muffed kick on the second-half kickoff and Elida took it in to open a 41-0 cushion.

Meantime, the defense kept the

Eagles in check most of the night. "(Junior) Tyler Belcher and (sophomore) Rylan Creighton had tremendous games for us (on defense)," Jereme Woodruff said.

The Tigers won at Hondo 60-6 two weeks ago in the regular-season finale.

"I know the score doesn't make it seem like it, but they played a lot better than they did the last time," Jereme Woodruff said of the Eagles. "They're a really young team. Coach (Brandon) Devine made adjustments in the second half. Credit to him and their kids, they never quit playing."

Farwell 20, Bovina 18, 3 OTs — At Bovina, the Steers got 5-yard scoring runs from junior quarterback Leese Actkinson in the second

and third overtimes, and Actkinson found junior Jose Rodriguez for a 2-point conversion on a bubble screen after the latter tally.

Bovina countered with a touchdown to pull within two, but Farwell stopped the two-point try about a yard short to set up a battle for the Texas Class 2A Division II Region I District 2 title on Friday at home against Sudan (9-0, 4-0 district).

Coach Jhett Norman said the Steers (7-2, 4-0) survived mistakes to notch the victory.

"If we'd had a gun and shot ourselves in the foot, we wouldn't have any toes left," Norman said. "But I'm super-pleased we get a shot to play for a district championship."

Farwell took a 6-0 lead into half-

time after a 4-yard run by junior Guerrero Olmos in the second quarter. The Mustangs (4-5, 2-2) tied it on a touchdown with about seven minutes left in regulation.

Neither team scored again until the second OT, but both missed PAT kicks to keep the game even.

Olmos led the Steers with 197 yards rushing on 31 carries.

Norman knows his team will have to play well to beat the Hornets.

"Their quarterback is really talented; he probably runs the ball about 65 percent of the time," Norman said. "They like to play fast. We're going to have to find a way to slow them down."

ENMU grabs split

□ Upcoming pair of matches last at home for 2019.

BY THE STAFF OF THE NEWS

KINGSVILLE, Texas — Behind a strong Saturday from Jasmine Gannon, the Eastern New Mexico volleyball team stopped its slide at six.

Gannon had 20 kills and 13 digs, and the visiting Greyhounds recovered from blowing a 2-0 lead to edge Texas A&M-Kingsville 25-23, 25-19, 24-26, 18-25, 15-13 Saturday afternoon.

The win gave the Greyhounds (4-18, 2-12 LSC) a split for the weekend, following a 3-1 loss Friday at Texas A&M-International.

Sarah Tuioti-Mariner had 16 kills and 12 digs Saturday, while sister setters Rae and Qitana Sapiga combined for 55 assists — 36 for Rae, 19 for Qitana. M'Lee Vinson added 27 digs in the marathon effort, which may have been a clean sweep if not for a Meghan Merlino kill sparking a late Javelina run in the third.

The Greyhounds rallied from down 11-9 in the fifth set, with a pair of kills by Gannon and a service ace by Tuioti-Mariner to spark a 6-2 match-ending run.

Friday (Texas A&M-International 25-25, 25-22, 25-27, 25-22) — Mackenzie Catalina had 19 kills and three blocks in an all-around effort for the Dustdevils.

Christine Kialanda had 13 kills to lead the Greyhounds, while Gannon added 12. Julie Tucker had four blocks to lead the Green and Silver, while Vinson had 27 digs.

The Greyhounds return home for a pair of LSC matches 6 p.m. Friday against UT Tyler and noon Saturday against Texas A&M Commerce. They'll finish the season the following weekend with matches at Texas Permian Basin and Western New Mexico.



Staff photo: Kevin Wilson

Melrose's Tate Sorgen chases down Magdalena quarterback Josh Baca in the first quarter of Friday's eight-man quarterfinal. The Buffaloes defeated the Steers 60-8.

Buffs waste little time

□ **Melrose needs just first half to win eight-man quarterfinal.**

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MELROSE — Suffice it to say, the Melrose Buffaloes were ready for the start of the 8-man state playoffs.

To say they made short work of the youthful, undermanned Magdalena Steers on Friday night would be an understatement. Melrose scored four first-quarter touchdowns, added two more in the first minute of the second stanza and cruised to a 60-8 quarterfinal victory that ended at halftime on the 50-point mercy rule.

The game started at 6 p.m. and was over by 7:10 p.m.

Senior Tristan Sena rushed for 178 yards and six touchdowns on just nine carries. Meantime, he had two of the team's three pass interceptions on defense, and he recovered Melrose's squib kick on

the opening kickoff to set the stage for the rout.

The sixth-seeded Steers (6-5) pulled to 14-8 midway through the first quarter on freshman quarterback Josh Baca's 27-yard run and a 2-point conversion, but it was all Buffs after that.

"We kind of knew what they were going to try to do to us," Sena said. "It was just a matter of executing. We didn't come out totally focused, but we got it going."

Only one of Melrose's eight scoring possessions lasted more than three plays.

The third-seeded Buffs (9-1), who face second-seeded Menaul (9-0) in a 6 p.m. semifinal game on Friday in Albuquerque, needed only nine plays to score their first-quarter TDs. Moreover, they had fourth-and-goal on the Magdalena 3 when the period ended, and Sena punched it in on the first play of the second stanza.

On the second play after the kickoff, Sena intercepted a pass to set up a two-play, 29-yard scoring drive which he capped with a 19-yard run.

"This week, we tried to focus on fixing little mistakes, and we did a pretty good job of that," Buffs coach Caleb King said. "We'll have to play

better than this to beat the teams we'll have to play, but we're back to being healthy. We're as healthy as we've been since about the third week of the season."

Melrose quarterback Michael Cardonita, an eighth-grader, threw a 45-yard scoring pass to senior Dylan Valentine in the first quarter and ran for the game's final touchdown.

Late in the half, Magdalena was flagged for a couple of personal-foul penalties.

"They got frustrated," King said of the Steers. "We told our kids that we have to keep our heads and not get emotional."

On defense, the Buffs forced four Magdalena turnovers and held the Steers to just eight rushing yards and 37 yards total.

It was the seventh time this season that Melrose has won by the mercy rule, but Sena said he's looking forward to the challenge against Menaul.

"It's always exciting when the other team is good," he said. "They're a good team and have some weapons."

"You just have to get ready for the next team you play."

Buffaloes to enter district tourney at 18-0

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MELROSE — The Melrose volleyball team has completed Phase 1.

And what a phase it was.

Tuesday night at Melrose High School, the Lady Buffaloes rallied to beat Grady 3-1, bouncing back from losing the first set before not allowing the Lady Bronchos to reach 20 in any ensuing set to win 23-25, 25-12, 25-18, 25-14.

With that victory, the Lady Buffs concluded their regular season at 18-0, and won the regular-season District 6-1A championship with an 8-0 record against that competition.

"Yeah, we had a great regular season," Melrose head coach Casey Jackson said. "The girls worked really hard and it showed. It was fun. Now we're

hoping to keep up the success in the postseason."

The Lady Buffaloes earned the No. 1 seed and an automatic bid to the district championship game, which they will host on Nov. 9 at 6 p.m. They won't, however, know their opponent until this Thursday.

The last two months have been great for Melrose, but earning that regular-season title was just one goal. The next two are to win the district tournament crown, then move on and reclaim the state title taken away by Logan a year ago.

Still, running the 18-game slate though Tuesday was quite an achievement in itself, and the way the Lady Buffaloes did it was especially impressive. Tuesday night ended a 10-game stretch of Melrose sweep victories and marked only the fourth time this season the Lady Buffs needed more than

three sets to win. They beat Friona 3-1 to open the season on Aug. 27, and had consecutive 3-1 victories over Logan on Sept. 14 in the Fort Sumner Tournament and at Hagerman five days later.

The Lady Buffaloes swept their other 14 games, including two regular-season broomaways of Logan — on Sept. 27 at home and Oct. 19 at Logan.

"I think experience was a big part of it," Jackson said. "We saw some tough games, but the girls really fought through them, because they've been playing so long. And honestly, they just worked really, really hard in practice every day. It's just been fun. Everybody's working hard and getting better, and we're seeing the results of our hard work."

Tuesday night, Hailey Martin had a great all-around night for Melrose, contributing

17 kills, 13 digs, four blocks and three aces.

Bretty DeVaney had 22 digs and four aces for the Lady Buffaloes. Natalie Mondragon added 21 digs, six kills three aces and three blocks. Pyper Belcher had 16 assists and three aces for the Lady Buffs.

Other top performers for Melrose were: Johanna Roybal with 25 assists; Isabelle Sena with 19 digs; and Anjalina Sanchez with five kills.

Teryn Foote led Grady with 14 kills, three blocks and two aces.

Hannah Bobbitt also starred for the Lady Bronchos, tallying 21 assists, 10 digs and three blocks.

Other top performers for Grady were: Bailey Montoya with 11 digs and five kills; Kristin Grau with six kills; Isabelle Martinez and Cassidee Glover with 11 digs each; and

Caitlin Harrell with 10 digs.

Grady wasn't done with its regular-season slate after Tuesday. The Lady Bronchos carried an 8-11-1 overall record, 2-5 district, into this past Saturday's late-afternoon home game against Fort Sumner.

The Lady Buffaloes, meanwhile, are getting plenty of time off to prepare for Saturday's district championship tilt.

"We'll probably go hard Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday," Jackson said, "and have a lighter day Thursday, maybe go watch the semifinal game (that night), then come in Friday and prepare for Saturday."

"But with our district," Jackson added, "we've played each other twice apiece, and with Logan we've played them three times. There's not a whole lot different anybody can do at

this point. It's just about being prepared and ready to go on Saturday."

The time away from game days, though, will be much-appreciated.

"I think it happens to most teams at the end of the season, things can get a little repetitive," Jackson said, "so it's nice being at the end of the season, starting fresh, a whole brand new season basically. It's just refreshing, gives a different kind of spark to the practice. You were in the same routine, and now you get to play for something."

It's an exciting time for the Lady Buffaloes, a time when their postseason quest is about to begin.

"I'm extremely proud of the girls and how hard they've been working," Jackson said, "and we're looking forward to the next couple of weeks."

Greyhounds suffer tough second half

□ Thursday loss all but knocks Hounds out of playoff chase.

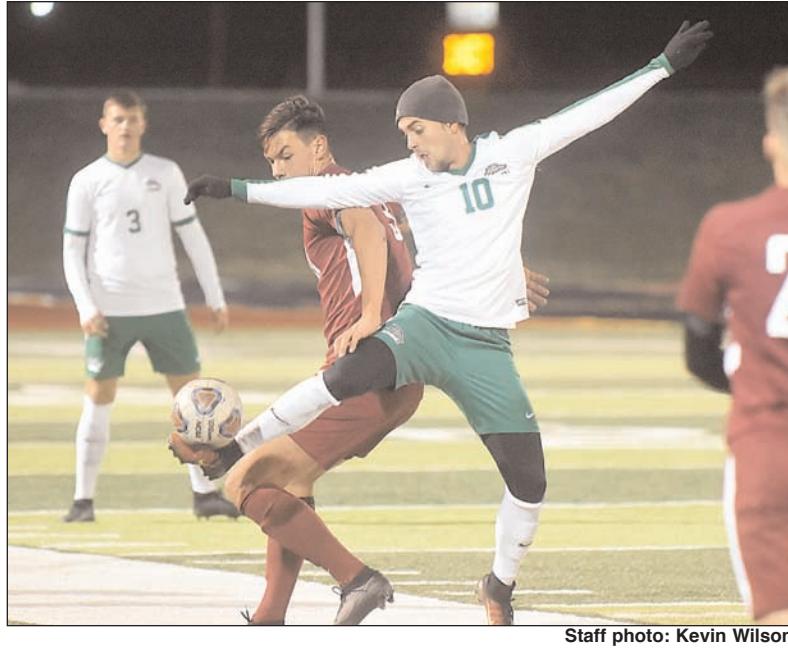
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PORTEALES — A two-goal lead midway through the second half of a college soccer match should normally be pretty safe.

It wasn't on Thursday night for Eastern New Mexico University's men. An own goal, followed by a penalty kick, set the stage for Oklahoma Christian to shock the Greyhounds late 3-2 in Lone Star Conference play at frigid Greyhound Stadium.

OCU's Carlos Trapero got what proved to be the game-winner, blasting a shot to the right corner of the net from relatively close range with just under four minutes remaining.

With the win, the Eagles (5-8-0, 2-5 LSC) ended a five-match losing streak and posted their first win all-



Staff photo: Kevin Wilson

Greyhound junior midfielder Lucas Vaz intercepts a ball intended for Oklahoma Christian's Thomas van der Heiden in the first half of Thursday's Lone Star Conference matchup.

time in seven tries against the Hounds.

"We were a little flat the first half," OCU coach David Scott said. "In the

second half, we wanted to press a little higher up the field.

"We were fortunate to get that first goal, but it gave us a little confidence

to keep pushing."

It was essentially an elimination match to try to get to the upcoming LSC tournament, which will feature the top seven of the league's 11 teams.

"You're up 2-0 and have all the chances (to add to it)," ENMU coach Jon Fridal said. "We just lacked the character (to finish it) today. We were good in the first half, but the second half it looked like we weren't up for it.

Scott acknowledged his team still has its work cut out trying to make the league tourney, needing to jump a couple of teams.

"It's been a tough stretch," he said. "A few games we've been a little unfortunate in. But it was big (to allow) us to say in the conference race."

Meantime, ENMU (9-5-1, 1-5-1) continued to struggle in league matches despite a perfect non-conference mark that includes a recent win over LSC rival West Texas A&M.

Sophomore forward Joe Conway got the Hounds on the board in the ninth minute, and junior midfielder Charlie Hackshall scored from about

15 yards out on the right early in the second half.

Leading 2-0, an ENMU defender attempted to head the ball away from OCU, sending it back toward goalkeeper Jonas Kersten. But the ball went to Kersten's left and into the corner of the net with just over 22 minutes left.

Less than 11 minutes later, Eagles senior Jaiden van der Heiden blasted the PK into the right corner of the net against Kersten, who was filling in with normal starter Ross Dalton missing the contest due to shin splints.

Trapero's goal came on a feed from Thomas van der Meulen, the shot going across the crease from the left side. ENMU couldn't mount a comeback in the remaining time.

Eagles goalkeeper Anthony Trabichet turned away 10 shots on goal.

"Their keeper made a lot of good saves, and kept them in the game (early)," Fridal acknowledged.

The Hounds were to host 13th-ranked Midwestern State in their home finale on Saturday night, and finish with a pair of conference road outings next week.

ENMU picked sixth

□ Greyhounds do get one first-place vote in LSC poll.

BY THE STAFF OF THE NEWS

RICHARDSON, Texas — It's a good sign Eastern New Mexico University's women's basketball team picked up a first-place vote in the Lone Star Conference preseason poll. But it might be just as much a surprise, given the challenges that await the Greyhounds this season.

The Green and Silver were slotted for sixth in the 18-team field, according to a poll of 54 coaches, sports information directors and media representatives released Wednesday by the LSC.

Defending national champion Lubbock Christian took 33 of the first-place votes to finish first, while the next five teams are schools that played in last year's 11-team league. Defending regular season champ West Texas A&M took 14 first-place votes and finished second, followed by Angelo State, Texas A&M-Commerce, Tarleton and ENMU. The top six finishers made last year's Division II tournament, with ENMU falling just short of upsetting WT in the first round.

The Greyhounds hope to go a little further this year.

"Last year, I think what helped us a lot was we had great chemistry," junior Alivia Lewis said. "That helped us go as far as we went. I think we already have great chemistry, so I think we'll be able to go far."

The remaining first place votes were taken by Texas A&M-Commerce, Tarleton State (two each), Angelo State and No. 11 Arkansas-Fort Smith (one each).

WT's Lexi Hightower was the preseason player of the year. She was the LSC player of the year last season after finishing second in the LSC at 16.2 points per game and second in Division II at 46.4 percent on 3-point attempts.

Teams will be divided into three six-team divisions, with each team playing a 22-game season featuring two games against division opponents and one game against the other 12 teams. The Greyhounds' division opponents will be West Texas A&M, Angelo State, LCU, Texas-Permian Basin and Western New Mexico.

The top 12 teams will be seeded into the conference tournament, with the top four seeds getting first-round byes. First-round games will be at school sites, followed by the next three rounds at the Comerica Center in Frisco, Texas. The tournament champion receives the LSC's automatic qualification to the Division II tournament.



Staff photo: Kevin Wilson

Eastern New Mexico sophomore Desiree Morgas watches her penalty kick goal in the second half of Thursday's Lone Star Conference matchup at Greyhound Stadium. Morgas has seven goals this season for the Greyhounds.

Hounds roll in second

□ ENMU women set school mark for second-half goals in 5-2 blowout of Eagles.

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PORTEALES — Eastern New Mexico University and Oklahoma Christian played pretty much to form with a scoreless first half in Thursday's Lone Star Conference women's soccer match at Greyhound Stadium.

What happened after the intermission could best be described as unexpected.

The teams entered the fray with a combined 23 goals through 27 matches, but ENMU set a record for most goals in a half against an NCAA Division II opponent and tied the school mark for a match against a D-II foe with five second-half tallies in a 5-2 win over the Lady Eagles.

The Hounds had previously scored five goals twice before in Division II play — a 5-4 overtime win over Abilene Christian in 2007 and a 5-3 victory over Texas-Permian Basin in 2010.

Five players had a goal apiece for the Greyhounds (6-7-1, 3-7-0 LSC). Sophomore midfielder Desiree Morgas notched the go-ahead score on a penalty kick in the 64th minute, and also assisted on two other tallies as ENMU kept its slim hopes alive for a berth in the LSC tournament with three matches remaining.

"I think we can win those matches," said the 5-foot-2 Morgas, who is from El Paso and has collected seven of the team's 19 goals this season. "We just have to put in the work, and hopefully (Texas A&M-)Commerce can lose a couple of matches."

The Lady Eagles (2-13-0, 2-8-0) broke through about four minutes into the second half with sophomore forward Denise Bennett finding the range from close in. ENMU, though, struck for four unanswered goals — the first three coming in a 15-minute span — and was

never seriously challenged the rest of the way.

Junior Jaci Sievers earned her first goal since her freshman season for the Hounds, while sophomore Angie Gonzalez and freshman Lauren DesCamp registered their first career tallies. The final score came near the end, by junior midfielder Caitlyn Schmidt.

"We didn't execute our game plan the first half, but I was proud of the girls in the second half," ENMU coach Joshua Smith said. "We've been waiting to explode the last few games."

Morgas said Smith fired the team up during the halftime break.

"I think coach getting on us picked us up," she said. "But I knew we were going to come back (after falling behind). We always fight to the end."

Junior Whitney Dockweiler had a fairly busy night in goal for the Hounds, picking up eight saves against the Lady Eagles.

ENMU was slated to face Midwestern State in its home finale on Saturday before ending regular-season play with trips to UTPB and Lubbock Christian next week.

ENMU men, women drop D-I exhibitions

BY THE STAFF OF THE NEWS

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — The Eastern New Mexico University men's basketball team played the first of two preseason exhibition games against Division I foes on Wednesday night, dropping a 107-59 decision to Southeastern Conference member Tennessee.

ENMU, which faces New Mexico in Albuquerque on Wednesday before opening the

2019-20 regular season three nights later against New Mexico Highlands in the LSC/RMAC Conference Challenge at Durango, Colo., led 11-10 at the first media timeout before the Volunteers, a Sweet 16 team last year, took control.

Sophomore guard Devin Pullum hit four early 3-point shots and finished with 18 points for the Greyhounds, while junior guard Isaiah Murphy went 5-for-10 from the floor for 15 points.

Junior forwards Deng Kuany and Marvin Mapaga grabbed six

rebounds apiece for ENMU, which was outrebounded for the game 56-39, and Mapaga also had a team-best four assists. Twelve Hounds managed to contribute points in the contest.

Women fall at UNM — Also on

Wednesday, the ENMU women's team dropped its third exhibition of the season in a 99-56 loss to the New Mexico Lobos at The Pit in Albuquerque.

Six-foot-4 senior post Natalie DeLonge finished with team highs of nine points and nine rebounds

for the Hounds. Junior post Alivia Lewis had eight points and five rebounds in the loss, while senior post Jasmine Williams added seven points and seven boards.

It took the Lobos 30 seconds to score the game's first points and they never looked back, building a 9-0 lead before ENMU dented the scoreboard.

The Hounds begin the regular season on Friday in the LSC/RMAC Challenge at Durango, also facing New Mexico Highlands.

Clovis girls fall in tight battle with Centennial

BY THE STAFF OF THE NEWS

LAS CRUCES — Anyone who followed Clovis girls soccer this past season would likely have been disappointed but not surprised with Friday's outcome of the Lady Wildcats' first-round state 5A playoff game against Centennial.

The Lady 'Cats suffered overtime tie after overtime tie, one-goal overtime loss after one-goal overtime loss, all fall. Friday, while seeded 11th in the state tournament, the 'Cats endured a 1-0 regulation loss to Centennial at Las

Cruces' Field of Dreams.

A one-goal loss to end a season chock full of tight games.

"So I guess it's one of those things that you know you're competitive and you're in every game," Clovis head coach Traci Sievers said. "There are some years you win those and some years you don't."

Clovis' season ended at 10-6-4, while Centennial (18-1-2) moved forward to a state quarterfinal against La Cueva, scheduled to begin 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday.

Friday, the Lady Hawks scored what turned out to be the game's lone goal with roughly a minute remaining

in the first half.

Clovis' starting goalkeeper, junior Hanna Nussbaumer, was injured 15 minutes into the game after getting tagged by a Centennial player's cleat. Sievers thought a red card should have been forthcoming.

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Rico, Lopez and Everett were all co-captains, making junior Madison Lynch the lone captain returning next year.

Rico, normally a midfielder, had to play up for much of the season due to a rash of injuries to Clovis' forwards, and she responded by leading the team with 24 goals.

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Rams

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by Freddy Smith on the return, setting up Portales at midfield.

Lovington's D, however, was stout again and forced another Portales punt.

The Wildcats' next offensive series, though, ended on third down when Jordan Garcia recovered a fumble at Lovington's 24.

Three plays later, with Portales still at the 24 facing third-and-10, Diaz rolled right and lofted a touchdown pass to Jalen Allen.

"I was scrambling," Diaz said, "and I just threw it over him. I was hoping he would go get it."

Josiah Tellez's extra point made it 7-0 with just under three minutes to go in the first quarter.

The Wildcats' next possession began well for them, as a 36-yard Perez run on their first play of the series was compounded by a 15-yard personal-foul penalty that brought Lovington to Portales' 19.

Four plays later, Perez completed a one-yard touchdown pass to Adam Aguilera, and when that score was followed by Tony Cabello's extra point, the game was tied at 7 with 1:08 remaining in the first quarter.

The Rams started their next possession at their own 42, a brief possession consisting only of a 58-yard touchdown pass from Diaz to Hightower. At least it was a 58-yard scoring pass statistically, but it involved a good deal of running — and cutting — after the catch by Hightower. The completion was fairly short, but Hightower swooped right and headed upfield. He then swooped left and created himself enough daylight to reach the end zone.

"It was an audible," Hightower said. "And I just tried to find the open area in the field."

Owen Smith kicked the extra point this time, and with just seconds left in the first quarter, the Rams led 14-7.

Portales' third touchdown was also a Diaz-to-Hightower connection and also featured plenty of yards after the catch by Hightower. The Rams were buried deep in their own terri-

tory, looking at second-and-13 from their 14, when Diaz tossed to Hightower and the latter made a Spiderman-like catch with his fingertips at Portales' 40, setting himself up in the open field which he galloped across for the touchdown.

"Big-time players make big-time plays," Hightower said with a smile.

A Tellez extra point later, it was 21-7 Rams with 5:40 left in the second quarter.

That score held through halftime, and though Portales' opening possession of the third quarter went three-and-out, the Rams' second offensive series of the period was another one-play affair — Gbassagee's 63-yard touchdown jaunt down the right sideline.

"That was a funny story, actually," Gbassagee said. "I was supposed to go on the inside, and I tried to go and I saw a guy there just sitting there. And I guess he didn't see me, so I just took it to the outside and he started chasing me. And by that time I was already gone."

Tellez's extra point made it 28-7 with 8:48 left in the third.

Late in the third quarter, Portales scored with a two-play possession, the second play unfolding as a 41-yard over-the-shoulder touchdown pass from Diaz to Hightower. Again Hightower rang up some YAC, this time about 15 yards after snaring Diaz's pass in stride.

Smith tacked on the extra point to give the Rams a 35-7 advantage with 1:04 remaining in the third quarter.

Portales' scoring night was done. Lovington added a touchdown not far past the midway point of the fourth quarter with a short drive set up by a Carlos De la Rosa fumble recovery and capped off with a one-yard scoring run by Kaleb Franco.

Five minutes and 39 seconds later, Lovington fell to 6-4 overall, 2-1 district, while Portales was again a district champion. And the Rams had posted their sixth straight victory, which will send them into the state tournament with a whoosh.

"It's a great win going into the playoffs," Hightower said, "and it's going to build our confidence a lot."

In brief

CHS basketball ticket sales ongoing

Clovis High School is selling reserved season tickets for the upcoming basketball season.

Season ticket holders from the 2018-19 season have until Nov. 12 to renew their tickets or inform the CHS athletics office of intent to relinquish their seats.

Beginning Nov. 13, any remaining tickets will be sold to the public.

Tickets are \$135 per seat, with a \$25 discount for active duty or retired military with a military ID card. The tickets are good for all regular season girls and boys games, with separate ticket purchases required for any district tournament or state playoff games.

The girls' home opener is Dec. 3 against Lubbock Estacado, and the boys' home opener is Dec. 6 against Cleveland.

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qualified Saturday in Santa Teresa.

Michael Riess (17:00.54) and Brandon Guerro (17:11.87) qualified for the boys, and Aliyah Miranda (22:08.34) qualified for the Ram women.

"It was a great race, strong runners," Portales coach Laura McNeil said. "We came in with a mental attitude to bring it, and this is history for Portales."

Other runners for the

Portales boys were Luis Eparza (10:03.41), Allen Parks (19:10.06), Cody Webster (20:23.19) and Traise Cain. Other runners for the Ram girls were Vanessa Villanueva (2:29.99), Alexis Ryan (26:21.68), Charley Bartl (29:30.13), Karleah Hulett (29:52.84) and Andrea Weems (29:53.89).

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Jeston Webskowi ran four yards to the 39, followed by an incomplete pass that targeted Malik Phillips.

So, up came third-and-six from the 39, converted by a 19-yard pass from Harris to Jaden Phillips. On first-and-10 from the 20, Harris connected with Blake Muscato for 10 yards.

It was then first-and-goal, 14 seconds to play. Timeout Clovis.

Fullerton was planning to send Jose Mendoza out there for a 27-yard field goal attempt, looking to win it without risking a turnover. Assistant coach Drew Hatley had other ideas.

"Coach Hatley grabbed me and said, 'Man, we've got a chance. Let's give our dogs one chance to win the game. ... Let's let 'em finish this.' I said, 'Yeah, that's a dang good point, Coach.' ... I'm thankful to have assistants like that to talk some sense into me."

So, Fullerton decided to 'Chance' it, decided to give his offense an opportunity to pull out the district title.

Harris took the snap and rolled out right. Everybody was rolling, Clovis' offensive players and La Cueva's defenders

trying to stay with them. Malik Phillips initially rolled too, taking a few steps right. Phillips' man decided to track Ethan Culver, who had been playing backside but came back over. That gave Phillips the window to sneak left and get about three yards into the end zone. Harris saw Phillips, tossed the ball to him, and Phillips fell down backwards while making the go-ahead catch.

"It was the only play the whole night that was in slow-motion for me," Fullerton said. "I was like 'Oh my gosh, he's going to be open.' ... The ball seemed like it was in the air for like 15 seconds."

Not quite. There wasn't much time remaining, four seconds, but enough for La Cueva to receive the kickoff and try one play from scrimmage. The Bears started in great field position at their own 40 after the kickoff went out of bounds, and on the last-ditch play, they tried laterals to reach the end zone. Clovis' defense, though, was able to drive the play out of bounds with no time left, and the district crown belonged to the purple and white.

"It was wild," Fullerton said. "I'll tell ya."

The game had seen momentum shifts, with Clovis building a 15-0 lead on 45- and 35-yard Jaden Phillips touchdown

catches in the first quarter. The 'Cats were close to adding more, driving into a fourth-and-one situation at La Cueva's 6, so close to taking a three-score advantage. A false start backed Clovis up, making it fourth-and-six from the 11, resulting in a 28-yard field-goal attempt that the refs called wide, though Fullerton and his staff thought had gone through.

But the call was the call, and Clovis' lead remained 15-0. The missed Wildcat opportunity seemed to spark the Bears, who came back to forge a 15-all tie by halftime.

"All the momentum changed," Fullerton said. "It could've been 22-0, but it's tied up at 15."

And La Cueva took a 22-15 lead in the third quarter before Webskowi bolted for an 80-yard touchdown which, when followed by Mendoza's extra point, tied the game at 22.

In the fourth quarter, Clovis went on a seven-and-a-half-minute drive that Fullerton thought wore down La Cueva's defense. It helped that the drive ended with a nine-yard Webskowi touchdown run and another Mendoza extra point to give Clovis a 29-22 advantage.

And when La Cueva went ahead 30-29, the Wildcats were able to move the ball swiftly

against that tired Bears defense.

Harris engineered the game-winning drive, showing no signs of pain in his once-injured right ankle. His left ankle did get hit earlier, but he shook it off and kept playing, eventually leading the 'Cats to their biggest win of the season thus far.

That victory ended their regular season at 7-3, 4-0 district, and sent them into the state tournament on a four-game winning streak. Clovis has not tasted defeat since Sept. 27 at Lubbock Cooper.

"We haven't lost a game to any New Mexico team since Rio Rancho in Week 3," Fullerton noted. "So we've got a lot of confidence now. The kids are practicing hard now, they've got a lot of confidence that we can win big games. Hopefully we can keep it rolling no matter where we're seeded."

The state seedings were scheduled to be announced Saturday night. As of the afternoon, Fullerton was hoping for a high spot on the tournament ladder.

"We think we should have a bye week," he said. "We think we deserve a top-four seed. But surely we'll have a top-eight seed. That way we'll have at least one home playoff game."

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Basketball

College polls

Lone Star Conference

Women's Preseason Poll

Team/first-place vote	Pts
1. Lubbock Christian (33)	813
2. West Texas A&M (14)	787
3. Angelo State (1)	733
4. Texas A&M-Commerce (2)	667</

LIFE

THE EASTERN NEW MEXICO NEWS



Correspondent photo: Nicole Trujillo

Joseph Gergel loves the Constitution and the history of the U.S.

ENMU student has plans to be judge

Joseph Gergel, a student at Eastern New Mexico University, once had plans to become an FBI agent. But after becoming fascinated with laws and politics, he's found a new calling.

Gergel, from Rio Rancho, is scheduled to graduate in May 2020 with a political science degree and a minor in criminal justice, with hope that one day he will become a judge.

Gergel said he loves everything about the Constitution and the history of the U.S.

TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF.

I'm from Rio Rancho. I went to Rio Rancho High School. My senior year of high school I was about to go to New Mexico Tech (New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology) and at the last second, I completely did a 180 and flipped my decision to come to Eastern instead.

I came here initially pursuing a criminal justice degree, but now I'm majoring in political science and minoring in criminal justice.

When I got to Eastern, I fell in love with the small class sizes and the tight-knit community. Soon after, I began getting

involved in clubs and organizations. I was involved in Greek life, student government, and I am currently serving on the Board of Regents at ENMU as their student member.

WHY DID YOU CHOOSE YOUR MAJOR?

Like I said, I started out in criminal justice and I was interested in the law enforcement field like the FBI. But then I started to get into laws and that side of law enforcement, and I really liked it, so I decided to switch my major to political science with the goal of going to law school.

Classes like constitutional law and those types of classes are what really interest me. I like learning about the Constitution, the Supreme Court, the history of the country, and how it's evolved throughout the years.

I'm in the process of applying to grad schools right now. I'm not sure where I'm going, but I'm for sure applying to schools around New Mexico and Texas.

IS WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO SCHOOL FOR NOW WHAT YOU ALWAYS WANTED TO DO GROWING UP?

Actually, being a lawyer in general was something I wanted to do for a long time. I know that sounds really boring, but it's true.

WHAT IS YOUR EARLIEST CHILDHOOD MEMORY?

I was in hockey from elementary school up until middle school and I traveled with my dad a lot. We have a really close family and we spend a lot of time together.

WHO DO YOU LOOK UP TO THE MOST? AND WHY DO THEY INSPIRE YOU?

Well from the very first time I got to Eastern, my first class was intro to criminal justice with Chief Bradley Mauldin. I liked that class and really liked him.

When I was in student government for three years, he was the advisor and he was a huge support system for me. Even now he's still been a huge support system and one of the best mentors I've ever had at Eastern.

He's really helped me with my leadership skills, university skills, and overall, he's just a great mentor.

WHERE DO YOU SEE YOURSELF FIVE YEARS FROM NOW?

I hope I'm not still in school. I should be done with law school by then. After law school I still don't really know what I'm going to do.

At first, I will probably practice law. I have no idea what kind of law, but hopefully I'll figure that out once I'm in law school.

But a career that sounds really great to me is being a judge. Being a judge is something I can really envision myself doing.

I'd still maybe like to be in the FBI. But I'm not sure.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE BOOK?

A genre I really like is U.S. history. Definitely the revolutionary times and the founding fathers, that aspect of our history. Of course, I also like the Constitution and the meaning behind it and how difficult it was to accomplish that.

I like reading books about the Supreme Court, especially during the late 1700s and early 1800s.

WHAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT MATERIAL POSSESSION

YOU HAVE AND WHY?

I carry a Constitution with me wherever I go. I carry it in my backpack. It's just a pocket Constitution book and I actually have like three copies of it.

Sometimes it comes in handy during class when we're talking about amendments or something along that line.

WHAT CITY DO YOU HOPE TO LIVE IN ONE DAY? WHY?

I'm split. A part of me wants to stay in the Albuquerque and Rio Rancho area. Partially because of family and because it's a pretty big city and there's definitely opportunity there.

But a part of me also wants to move to somewhere I've never been before like Indiana or Chicago.

WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO IN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS?

Hopefully I'll know which law school I'll be going to. I'm also looking forward to the upcoming legislative session in January.

— Compiled by Correspondent Nicole Trujillo

Keep you posted on the state of my catamarans

I've said it before and I know I'll say it again. Getting older really sucks. I've been learning to live with my back problems so it's just not fair to throw another problem into the mix. That problem would be cataracts.

My eyesight has gotten bad enough looking at the computer screen that as I just typed the word cataract I got it off just far enough that spellcheck corrected it to catamaran. Good thing I leaned in close to the screen or you would be wondering why I had a problem with riding in a sail boat.

At my last eye checkup, my doctor told me I had cataracts starting to form but I had lots of time. If they started giving me problems though, come on back.

I knew the last correction did-



Karl Terry
◆
Local columnist

n't seem to move the needle as much as it used to but I figured I was getting older and things were changing. Recently I've made more and more mistakes with bookkeeping and the font size on my column-writing window has increased a time or two. I figured it was time to check on it. Only problem was my doctor in the meantime took his scope and shined a bright light in my eye and began barking off numbers to the assistant. He then looked at the back of my eye and declared all was healthy.

Since I was pretty sure it was cataracts, I decided to jump

straight to my first-ever ophthalmologist visit. My wife had one of hers done last year but the doctor had stopped doing the surgeries locally. My little brother had his harvested a few years ago so I figured I would just get a referral from him if that would work. It did and they set me up with an appointment quickly.

The first part of the appointment was a lot like the optometrist. Hold this in front of your right eye and read what's on the wall. The second part was filled with machines that were a lot like video games the tech played on your eyeball. I guess I did OK, the friendly lady only had me repeat one of the tests. I think by that time her trigger finger was just getting tired.

As she was entering all my data into the computer, I told her

it appeared she did all the work and the doctor got all the glory. She said she was fine with testing eyes but didn't want to do the surgery. I respected that, I don't want anyone operating on me whose heart isn't in the job.

The last of the exam part of the visit started with a warm handshake from the doctor followed by a quick glance at the data on the computer screen. He said, "Your eyes qualify for surgery," like I'd just won the Irish Sweepstakes. "Let me have a good look here and I'll tell you what your options are."

He took his scope and shined a bright light in my eye and began barking off numbers to the assistant. He then looked at the back of my eye and declared all was healthy.

He quickly gave me my

options like a well-rehearsed insurance salesman spiel and ended it with a sales close I'd used a million times.

"Mr. Terry, which one of those options works best for you?"

I picked the middle-of-the-road option. I didn't want to be cheap after all — this is my vision we're talking about — but I didn't want my wife still paying for it after I had croaked.

So I have a date set for when we'll get after the first of these catamarans and see what can be done to make my vision better than it's been since I was in grade school.

I'll keep you posted.

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Information on overcoming feelings of rejection ahead on show

Information on overcoming feelings of rejection will be the featured topics on "Creative Living" 9:30 p.m. Tuesday and noon Thursday (all times Mountain).

Are you more concerned with what others think? Do mistakes equal failure or the risk of rejection? Do you have a constant need for status or worth to maintain attachment or belonging? If you answered yes to any of these questions, you can see what perfectionism looks like. Author, Jane Bluestein, PhD, will discuss these and other traits to watch out for. Her business is Instructional Support Services, Inc. and she's from Albuquerque.

If entering your home



**Sheryl
Borden**
♦
Creative
Living

makes you sigh and you just don't know what to do to remedy the situation, it may be time to talk to a professional decorator. Latrice Brooks will talk about how to rethink your space and your furniture plan, and then discuss accessorizing, rehanging artwork, and paying attention to texture and pattern. Her business is Brooks Interiors and she lives in Clovis.

Information on making "accidental landscapes" on quilts and creating dimensional canvases will be the featured topics on "Creative Living" noon Tuesday and 2 p.m. Saturday.

Quilter and author Karen Eckmeier will show how free-form rotary cutting of fabric strips that are layered can "accidentally" create a beach scene on a quilt. Her company is The Quilted Lizard and she's from Kent, Connecticut.

Theresa Cifali, mixed media artist and owner of The Altered Canvas in Valhalla, New York, will show how to make dimensional canvases using a gel medium and heavy bodied acrylic paint. By adding a

quote and/or a picture, it becomes a gorgeous piece of home décor.

Perfection Deception

When Dr. Jane Bluestein would tell someone that she just finished writing a book on perfectionism, the common reaction was a blank stare followed by the question, 'What's wrong with perfectionism?' Indeed, most people mistakenly confuse perfectionism with a healthy striving for excellence—but there is a big difference. One can lead to great achievement (or at least great learning) and the other is a psychological wound, the voice of the

inner critic that screams 'failure,' 'loser,' or 'fraud,' regardless of the authenticity of our efforts, progress, or success.

Over the years, Dr. Bluestein has seen the toxic and corrosive effects of perfectionism on people's thinking, their bodies, their relationships, their work, and their sense of worth: now she exposes the truth: perfectionism is actually a mask for a fear of making mistakes, a desperate need to avoid negative judgments and rejection.

For those who are bound by the impossible demands of perfectionism and those who feel bound by someone else's perfectionistic standards, Dr. Bluestein emphat-

ically shows that perfectionism is not a good thing, and it's not remotely the same as doing your best. Through personal interviews and the latest research, she explores how our culture fuels the dysfunction, how perfectionism develops, and how it can hurt our physical, mental, and social well-being. Further, she provides practical strategies for moving toward authenticity and wholeness to live with confidence, self-fulfillment, and happiness.

"**Creative Living**" is produced and hosted by Sheryl Borden. The show is carried by more than 118 PBS stations. Contact her at: sheryl.borden@enmu.edu

School menus

Clovis Elementary

Monday: Breakfast — Egg and Cheese Croissant **Lunch** — Teriyaki blastars, scalloped potatoes, seasoned green beans, chilled fruit, whole wheat roll, veggie bar

Tuesday: Breakfast — Pancake sausage on a stick. **Lunch** — Popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, mini carrots and ranch, pasta salad, chilled mixed fruit, veggie bar.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Bean and cheese burrito. **Lunch** — Chicken noodle soup, grilled cheese sandwich, garden salad, ranch dressing, fresh fruit, veggie bar.

Thursday: Breakfast — Blueberry muffin. **Lunch** — Meatloaf sandwich, steamed broccoli, chilled peaches, veggie bar.

Friday: Breakfast — French toast. **Lunch** — Cheese quesadilla, salsa, seasoned pinto beans, mini carrots, celery sticks and ranch, cookie, veggie bar.

• Breakfast includes 100 percent fruit juice, fresh fruit, milk, choice of cereal, toast or graham cracker. Salad bar offered daily.

Clovis Middle

Monday: Breakfast — Cinnamon waffle. **Lunch** — Spaghetti and meat sauce, pizza, popcorn chicken chef salad, cheeseburger/hamburger, burrito, spicy chicken sandwich, baked french fries, garden salad, mini carrots & ranch, chilled pears, garlic roll.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Mini donut. **Lunch** — Turkey and cheese wrap, pizza, ham chef salad, cheeseburger/hamburger, corn dog, spicy chicken sandwich, baked french fries, baked tater tots, celery sticks and ranch, fresh fruit, cookie.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Breakfast pizza. **Lunch** — Italian deli hoagie, pizza, taco chef salad, cheeseburger/hamburger, deli sandwich, spicy chicken sandwich, baked french fries, lettuce, tomato, chilled fruit, cookie.

Thursday: Breakfast — Egg and cheese on a bun. **Lunch** — Chili cheese dog, pizza, turkey chef salad, cheeseburger/hamburger, BBQ porky rib sandwich, spicy chicken sandwich, baked french fries, baked french fries, fresh broccoli, ranch dressing, fresh fruit.

Friday: Breakfast — Apple fruit pocket. **Lunch** — Homemade

chicken & cheese burrito, pizza, fajita chef salad, cheeseburger/hamburger, spicy chicken sandwich, baked french fries, seasoned pinto beans, garden salad & ranch, chilled fruit, jello.

• Breakfast includes 100 percent fruit juice, fresh fruit, milk, choice of cereal, toast or graham cracker. Salad bar offered daily.

Clovis Secondary

Monday: Breakfast — Cinnamon waffle. **Lunch** — Spaghetti and meat sauce, pizza, popcorn chicken chef salad, cheeseburger/hamburger, burrito, spicy chicken sandwich, baked french fries, garden salad, mini carrots & ranch, chilled pears, garlic roll.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Mini donut. **Lunch** — Turkey and cheese wrap, pizza, ham chef salad, cheeseburger/hamburger, corn dog, spicy chicken sandwich, baked french fries, baked tater tots, celery sticks and ranch, fresh fruit, cookie.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Breakfast pizza. **Lunch** — Italian deli hoagie, pizza, taco chef

salad, cheeseburger/hamburger, deli sandwich, spicy chicken sandwich, baked french fries, lettuce, tomato, chilled fruit, cookie.

Thursday: Breakfast — Egg and cheese on a bun. **Lunch** — Chili cheese dog, pizza, turkey chef salad, cheeseburger/hamburger, BBQ porky rib sandwich, spicy chicken sandwich, baked french fries, baked french fries, fresh broccoli, ranch dressing, fresh fruit.

Friday: Breakfast — Apple fruit pocket. **Lunch** — Homemade

chicken & cheese burrito, pizza, fajita chef salad, cheeseburger/hamburger, spicy chicken sandwich, baked french fries, seasoned pinto beans, garden salad & ranch, chilled fruit, jello.

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Thursday: Breakfast — Egg and cheese on a bun. **Lunch** — Chili cheese dog, pizza, turkey chef salad, cheeseburger/hamburger, BBQ porky rib sandwich, spicy chicken sandwich, baked french fries, baked french fries, fresh broccoli, ranch dressing, fresh fruit.

Friday: Breakfast — Apple fruit pocket. **Lunch** — Homemade

chicken & cheese burrito, pizza, fajita chef salad, cheeseburger/hamburger, spicy chicken sandwich, baked french fries, seasoned pinto beans, garden salad & ranch, chilled fruit, jello.

• Breakfast includes 100 percent fruit juice, fresh fruit, milk, choice of cereal, toast or graham cracker. Salad bar offered daily.

Dora

Monday: Breakfast — Biscuit and sausage. **Lunch** — Country fried chicken, chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, gravy, broccoli, roll.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Breakfast pizza. **Lunch** — Beef tacos, ranch beans.

Wednesday: Breakfast — French toast sticks, cereal. **Lunch** — Cheeseburger, tater tots.

Thursday: Breakfast — Biscuit and gravy, cereal. **Lunch** — Pizza, green beans, carrot sticks, fruit, milk.

• Breakfast includes juice. Lunch includes salad. Milk, fruit served with every meal.

Elida

Monday: Breakfast, **Lunch** — Breakfast stick, fruit, cereal; **Lunch**, Corn dogs, pork & beans, pears, salad

Tuesday: Breakfast, Biscuits & gravy, fruit, cereal; **Lunch**, Spaghetti, mixed vegetables, breadsticks, peaches, salad

Wednesday: Breakfast, Cheese omelet, fruit, cereal; **Lunch**, Steak fingers, corn, fruit salad

Thursday: Breakfast, PB & J sandwiches, fruit, cereal; **Lunch**, BBQ chicken, green beans, jello, salad

• Breakfast includes juice, cereal. Lunch includes salad. Milk, fruit served with every meal.

Floyd

Monday: Breakfast — Pancakes w/syrup. **Lunch** — Spaghetti w/meat sauce, green beans, pineapple tidbits, garlic bread.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Breakfast burrito. **Lunch** — Taco salad, ranch style beans, apriots, vegetable salad.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Banana bread squares. **Lunch** — Chicken nuggets, carrots, peaches, crackers.

Thursday: Breakfast — Sausage and egg casserole. **Lunch** — Hamburgers, french fries, oranges. • Breakfast includes assorted fruit, juice, cereal. Lunch includes salad. Milk served with every meal.

Melrose

Monday: Breakfast — Biscuits and gravy, apple sauce. **Lunch** — Baked ham and cheese, celery sticks and watermelon.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Waffles, pears. **Lunch** — Shepard's pie, cucumbers and mixed

peas.

fruit.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Ham egg and cheese croissants, bananas. **Lunch** — Stroganoff, carrots, peas, pears.

Thursday: Breakfast — Bacon breakfast burrito, oranges. **Lunch** — Chicken and rice bowls, carrot sticks and pineapple.

• Alternative breakfast includes cereal, toast w/jelly. Milk served with every meal.

Portales Elementary

Monday: Breakfast — Bites, yogurt, fruit cups. **Lunch** — Corn dog, carrots, broccoli, peaches.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Pancake on a stick, applesauce, juice. **Lunch** — Hamburger, lettuce and tomato.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Cream cheese bagel, apples. **Lunch** — Chicken smackers, macaroni & cheese, green beans, carrots, grapes.

Thursday: Breakfast — Cheese filled bread stick, banana. **Lunch** — Steakfingers, mashed potato, cucumbers, gravy, roll, pearls.

Friday: Breakfast — Cocoa cherry nutrition bar, cheese stick, applesauce. **Lunch** — Chicken sandwich, green peas, broccoli, mixed fruit.

• Breakfast includes juice. All meals include milk.

Portales Secondary

Monday: Breakfast — Bug bites, yogurt, fruit cup. **Lunch** — Corn dog, fries, carrots, broccoli, peaches, pizza, fries, salad with tomatoes.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Pancake on a stick, applesauce. **Lunch** — Cheese nachos, pinto beans, carrots, hamburger, lettuce & tomato, fries, pineapple.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Cream cheese bagel, apples. **Lunch** — Chicken legs, macaroni & cheese, green beans, carrots, meatball sub, fries, cucumbers, grapes.

Thursday: Breakfast — Cheese filled bread stick, banana. **Lunch** — Steakfingers, mashed potato, cucumber stick, gravy, roll, pears, ram bowl, chicken smackers, mashed potato, corn, biscuit.

Friday: Breakfast — Cocoa cherry nutrition bar, cheese stick, applesauce. **Lunch** — Chicken sandwich, green peas, fries broccoli, enchiladas, spanish rice, refried beans, salad w/tomatos, mixed fruit.

• Breakfast includes juice. All meals include milk.

Texico

Monday: Breakfast — Cinnamon roll. **Lunch** — Chicken fajitas, lettuce, tomato, pinto beans, salsa.

Tuesday: Breakfast — Breakfast sandwich. **Lunch** — Corn dog, pork'n beans, pickle spear, cooked carrots.

Wednesday: Breakfast — Pancake on a stick. **Lunch** — Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes w/gravy, green beans, hot rolls.

Thursday: Breakfast — Breakfast pizza. **Lunch** — Beef and bean, burrito, lettuce, tomato, corn, salsa.

• Breakfast includes assorted fruit, juice, cereal. Lunch served with fruit. Milk served with every meal.

Baxter Curren Senior Center

908 Hickory St., Clovis

Monday: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. 8 ball pool, 8:30 a.m. exercise, 10 a.m. jewelry pals, 1 p.m. line dance, 1 p.m. canasta, 5 p.m. social night

Tuesday: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. exercise equipment, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. 8-ball pool, 8 a.m. quilting, 11 a.m. beg line dance, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. needle gang 6 p.m. trivia mania

Wednesday: No activities listed

Thursday: 8 a.m. veterans breakfast program, \$5, 8:45 a.m. pinochle 101

Friday: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. exercise equipment, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. 8-ball pool, 8:30 a.m. exercise class, 10 a.m. needle gang, 1 p.m. pinochle, 7 p.m. dance (Randy Chavez)

Saturday: 4 p.m. game night

Community Senior Center

1100 Community Way, Portales

Monday: Sausage, wild rice, broccoli, dinner roll, apple

Tuesday: Chicken fajita, steamed cauliflower w/margarine, flour tortilla, cinnamon raisin bread pudding

Wednesday: Baked ham, spinach, sweet potato cornbread w/margarine, cottage cheese, pineapple

Thursday: GC cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickles, ranch beans, onion rings, applesauce

Friday: Roast beef, roasted vegetables, tossed salad, biscuit w/margarine, chocolate cookie, banana

Saturday: Sewing/crafts, 8-ball pool

La Casa Senior Center

1120 Cameo St., Clovis

Monday: Daily activities

Tuesday: Daily activities, 1 p.m. bingo

Daily activities: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. 8-ball pool/snooker, coffee with friends, darts, games and puzzles, crafts

Los Abuelitos Senior Center

Halloween around town



Above: Alejandra Rodriguez' dog Nacho as Spider-Man.



Right: Jenn Vilandry submitted the Toy Story crew.



Left: Sarah Morgan submitted a cop and a donut.



Above: A Disney-themed crew at Cannon Federal Credit Union.



Above: Mary Poppins, submitted by Lacey Duffield.



Right: Adriana Lopez submitted Velma and Scooby-Doo about to solve a mystery.



Bianca Zavala submitted this bumblebee.



Janá Bonney submitted Medusa and three blind mice.



Nikki Brown's son Jake was Bob Ross.



The Clovis Municipal Schools Finance office picked a colorful team costume.

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CLOVIS/CURRY COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



November 2019 Calendar of Events

Friday, Nov 1st & Saturday, Nov 2nd
Brickstreet Players Murder Mystery Dinner at Days Inn, 2700 Mabry Drive • 6:30pm

Friday, November 1st • 11am - 2pm

Shop Small Kickoff at CCC

Saturday, November 2nd

Trek for Trash, 500 Sycamore • 8am
6th Annual Clovis Meals on Wheels Arts & Crafts Fair at Clovis Community College

417 Schepps Blvd • 9am - 3pm

Clovis Area Train Society Model Train Display at North Plains Mall 12pm - 7pm

Tuesday, November 5th

Salvation Army Red Kettles Kickoff Dinner, 317 E. 2nd • 6pm

Wednesday, November 6th

Chamber Ambassador Meeting • 11:30am
Clovis Area Train Society Model Train Display at North Plains Mall 6pm - 8pm

Friday, November 8th • 12pm

ROCrageous Lunch and Learn, Chamber of Commerce, 105 E. Grand

Saturday, November 9th

Christmas Around Town! Shop Local!
Veterans Parade along Main Street • 10am

Wednesday, Nov. 13th • 11am - 1pm

"A Season of Giving Thanks" Taco Pile On Luncheon at Baxter-Curren

Senior Center, 908 Hickory

Thursday, November 14th • 7pm

CCC Cultural Arts Series: Sons of the Pioneers at Marshall Auditorium, 100 Commerce Way

Saturday, Nov 16th & Sunday, Nov 17th

Holiday Bazaar at the Clovis Civic Center, 801 Schepps Blvd

Saturday, November 16th

Traci's Greenhouse Open House Hartley House Festival of Trees • 5pm-8pm

Sunday, November 17th • 12pm

Shad Mayfield Send Off at the Pavilion Curry County Fairgrounds

Saturday, November 23rd • 12pm - 7pm

Clovis Area Train Society Model Train Display at North Plains Mall

Sunday, November 24th • 1pm - 5pm

Cannon Holiday Craft Bazaar at The Landing at CAFB

Thursday, November 28th

City-wide Thanksgiving Banquet at Lighthouse Mission, 407 L. Casillas

Friday, Nov. 29th & Saturday, Nov. 30th

Clovis Area Train Society Model Train Display at North Plains Mall

Saturday, November 30th

Small Business Saturday Shop Local! Shop Clovis!



Hamilton Toyota
600 W. 7th • 575-762-4551

New Members In the Spotlight

Roma's Italian Restaurant
1620 Mabry Dr
575-935-1900

Wright's Repair Services, LLC
575-693-9515

PAS
605 N. Main St
575-935-1070

Names & Numbers
7310 Slide Rd
806-687-6270

Sand and Sun Investments
3608 N. Prince
Ste C #184
575-449-8206

Coaches Korner
124 W. 22nd #B
505-203-6164

575 Yoga Studio
1423 N. Main St
575-404-1701

Dotson Laser Engraving & More
575-309-4020

The Humidor
3213 N. Prince
575-356-8618

Plateau Data Center
7111 N. Prince • 575-389-5100

All Star Dents 25th Anniversary
908 N. Prince • 575-769-3833

Lights

Christmas Around Town Saturday, November 9th

Come out and support your locally owned businesses and help grow Clovis!

3 Beautiful Messes
104 N. Norris Street
Ashley HomeStore
2500 N. Prince Street
Aucutt's Paint Store
2000 Mitchell Street
Brooks Interiors
575-799-4888
Brown's Shoe Fit
1913 N. Prince Street
Burns Hardware
2400 N. Prince Street

Burns Mattress Center
2400 N. Prince Street
Casel-Land Fun Center
(US Hwy 60/84)
Clovis Furniture Exchange & Mattresses Too
115 W. Grand Street
Diamonds Evermore
1407 N. Main Street
High Plains Gun Shop
2400 N. Prince Street
High Plains Harley Davidson
4400 N. Prince Street
K&S Landscaping
2001 E. 7th Street

Medispa & Bodyshop
1901 W. 21st Street
Olive & June Boutique
3608 N. Prince St, Suite B
Prairie Roads JunQtique
519 N. Main Street
Tankersley's
306 N. Main Street
The Java Loft
810 E. 21st Street
Traci's Greenhouse
2600 Mabry Drive
Trucking Compliance & Permitting LLC
4201 N. Prince Street
Turn the Page Books & More
918 N. Main St
Wild at Heart
416 Pile Street



of EASTERN NEW MEXICO
Agriculture is deeply rooted in Clovis and Curry County. One of the priorities of Ag 50 of Eastern New Mexico is to increase awareness of the agriculture industry in Eastern New Mexico. Ag 50, the Clovis/Curry County Chamber's agriculture committee, has recently "reorganized" with a robust number of new members and new officers. The newly elected executive committee is Chairman: T. J. Curtis, Curtis & Curtis Seed; Vice-Chairman: Daniel Vander Dussen, Rajen Dairy; Secretary: Megan

DeMaio, DeMaio Farms; Treasurer: Eric Denton, Southwest Cheese and Past Chairman: Sid Strebeck, K-Bob's. In addition to the original members who started Ag 50 in 2004, over forty new members have joined the Ag 50 committee with in the last couple of months. The chamber board of directors recently voted unanimously to defer dues for Ag 50 for the year 2020 with the only prerequisite being chamber membership. Ag 50's first official membership meeting is set for Thursday, November 14th at 2:00 p.m. at the Chamber, 105 E. Grand Ave. Tara Vander Dussen, local dairy farmer and our own "New Mexico Milkmaid", will be the program sharing about

her recent journey to the United Nations Food and Agriculture Committee on World Food Security meeting in Rome, Italy. In celebration of Tara and the local dairy industry, there will be an ice cream sundae bar at the meeting on November 14th. For more information about Ag 50 or the upcoming meeting, please call Ernie at (575) 763-3435.

Veterans' Week

Please call the chamber for the Veterans Days Schedule of Events or check the chamber's Facebook page for more details. The Veterans Day Parade will take place on November 9th at 10:00 am on Main Street

Clovis Community Branding Process

The Clovis Community Branding process is underway this week. Key stakeholders have been identified for the new and exciting Clovis community branding initiative. Clovis Industrial Development Corporation, the Clovis/Curry County Chamber of Commerce and the City of Clovis have initiated this exciting process and will invite community members to share their views regarding how to make our community a better place to live, work, play & stay. The interviews held this week is only the beginning of this important initiative. For more information, please contact Chase or Ernie at 763-3435.

Upcoming Free ROCRageous Lunch & Learn Seminar Friday, November 8 • Noon

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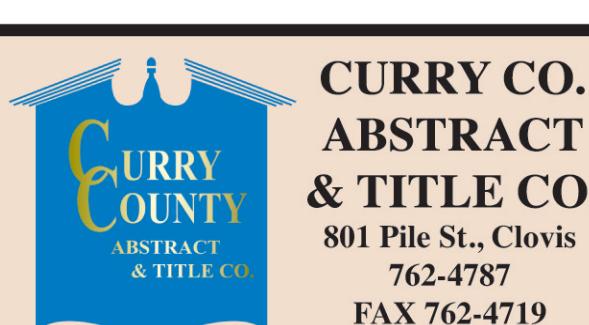
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Chamber Notes

Magazine cutoff extended

The Roosevelt County Chamber of Commerce has extended the deadline to reserve an ad in the 2020 edition of the Portales Profile Magazine to Nov. 15.

The magazine serves as the directory of the Chamber membership as well as a visitor and newcomers guide for the community throughout the 2020 calendar year.

To book your ad call the Chamber at 356-8541.

Christmas events planned

Planning for 2019 Christmas events has begun and signups are being accepted for the Little Miss Merry Christmas Contest as well as the Lighted Christmas Parade.

The Pageant is Dec. 5 with a signup deadline of Nov. 4. The parade will be held at 6:30 p.m. Dec. 6.

Participants can call the Chamber, 356-8541, or visit www.portales.com for signups and more information.



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Chamber Calendar

Nov. 4 - LMMC Parent meeting, 5:30 p.m., Chamber
 Nov. 11 - Veteran's Day Service, 10:30 a.m. Mem Bld
 Nov. 14 - Ambassador meeting 12 noon, Chamber
 Nov. 16 - POPS Dinner Concert, 7 p.m. CUB
 Nov. 19 - Chamber board 11:30 a.m., Chamber
 Nov. 21 - Chamber Luncheon, 12 noon, Yam Theatre
 Nov. 28 - Community Thanksgiving, 11-1, Mem Bld
 Dec. 5 - LMMC Contest Pageant, 6 p.m. Yam Theatre
 Dec. 6 - Lighted Christmas Parade, 6:30 p.m.

For more check the online calendar at:
www.portales.com

Ground Breaking



The officers and board of Cannon Federal Credit Union officially broke ground on the organization's new location in Portales in October. The Kilgore Avenue and Spruce Street location will be home to a drive-thru ATM location within 90 days and a full branch location is anticipated in the future according to President/CEO Heather Fowler. Fowler added that any resident of Roosevelt County is eligible for membership in the credit union. Members of the Chamber, Ambassadors and Roosevelt County Community Development Corp. were on hand to help with the ceremony.

Business of the Month



The optometry office of Dr. Charles Brooks was named November Business of the Month by the Chamber. Brooks and his staff were nominated for providing free eye exams to local children in need through a program instituted by Altrusa. Brooks and his wife Cheryl have operated the practice in its current location at 201 S. Abilene since 1993. The general practice started in 1981.

Volunteers of the Month



Altrusa International of Portales was named as the Volunteers of the Month for November by the Chamber. Altrusa recently took on the goal of beautifying Portales with a creative and welcoming flair. The organization's members created fall decorations with crafted "welcome" signs and scarecrows, which they placed at numerous locations around the city. The group takes on a variety of projects and is best known for its annual fundraiser called Holiday Happening in which the members as well as others in the community decorate themed tables for a holiday dinner and fashion show. This year's event is Dec. 7.

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