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Election: Emmett, Morman defeated in upset

Winners include Sylvia Garcia; Ted Cruz; Lina Hidalgo; Adrian Garcia

HARRIS COUNTY With 95% of the results counted, political experts are declaring winners in Tuesday's election.

In the national Senate race, incumbent Ted Cruz had a strong statewide win, defeating popular Beto O'Rourke by 51% to 48%. However, Beto carried Harris County with 58% of the local vote. Other statewide results included Governor Greg Abbott winning 56% of the vote against Lupe Valdez; and AG Ken Paxton receiving 51%.

Harris County's straight ticket voting showed 44% Republican, and 55% Democratic. This might explain two major upsets: County Judge Ed Emmett, the popular incumbent, was defeated by Democrat challenger Lina Hidalgo who received 49.62% of the vote, to Emmett's 48.32%, with a third candidate, Libertarian Eric Gatlin receiving 2% of the vote. About 5000 votes separated the top two candi-dates, but Gatlin received 24,085 enough to swing the election to either of the other two contenders. Repub-





former Sheriff Adrian Garcia, who had 50.11% of the vote, versus Morman's 49.89%. The difference was a mere 490 votes. History was made in

lican County Commission-

er Pct. 2 Jack Morman was

defeated by Democrat and

Congressional District 29, where the first Hispanic woman won a seat in Congress. Sylvia Garcia, formerly a Texas State Senator and Harris County Commissioner, received 75% of the vote against her Republican challenger,

Phillip Aronoff.
Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee was returned to office in District 18, with 75% of the vote, versus her opponent Ava Reynero Pate with 21% votes

In Congressional District 2, formerly held by Congressman Ted Poe, Dan Crenshaw received 53% of the vote, and Todd Litton 45%.

In a highly watched race in the city of Houston, House District 7, Lizzie

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Artist's Showcase:

DRAWS CROWDS The East Aldine District combined its Fall Festival with Brookside's Day of the Dead ceremony last Saturday, and hundreds attended the event. The Festival included live entertainment, food trucks, games for adults and kids, a raffle, face painting, and a kids costume contest. To

mark the Fall season, free

trees were given out by

Centerpoint Energy and

the East Aldine District.
The Day of the Dead ceremony, or "Dia De Los Muertos" included a reading by Father Xavier Aponte, dancing by the Mexteca Ballet Folklorico, and culminated with the Celebration of Life Ceremony, with Father Aponte blessing the images of departed family



Best Booth Award was won by Castlewood Civic Clubs United, MORE PHOTOS Page 8

Texas elects Sylvia Garcia as first Latina to Congress

Congresswoman will represent TX-District 29 after Gene Green's retirement

By Allan Jamail

Houston, TX, November 6, 2018 State Senator Svlvia Garcia became Texas' first female Hispanic to be elected to the U.S. Con-

At the Houston Hobby Marriott Hotel In front of a jubilant crowd waving blue towels with the print-ed words, "WE MADE HIS-TORY!"

Garcia thanked Congressman Gene Green for his years of service and for setting the bar for elected

Senator Garcia made the following statement.
"From the bottom of my

heart, thank you, thank you, thank you. Gracias, Gracias, Gracias! Con todo mi cora. Thank you to evryone who has knocked on a door, made a phone call, donated your time or money to this campaign. This is your victory. You have made his-

tory. Esta victoria es de nosotros. Juntos, hemos logrado algo historic.

Thank you to our friends in the labor movement, who supported our campaign both financially and with boots on the ground. Thank you to the hundreds of individual donors, the Democratic Clubs and elected officials that made this victory possible. And most importantly, thank you to my family standing with me here today.

Your love, encourage ment and support over the years is what made it possible for a poor girl from Paltio Blanco, Texas to grow up to become a US Congresswoman.

Well my family and other friends in this room may remember that this didn't start in November when we announced that we would seek to represent the 29th District in Congress. This campaign started in 1992, when I



AT THE VICTORY CELEBRATION ELECTION NIGHT. Photo taken at the Houston Hobby Marriott Hotel Victory party on Nov. 6, 2018. (Photo by Allan

first ran for Congress, in the first year of the wom-an. In fact Gene Green was

one of my opponents! Well, 25 years later we have accomplished what we first set out to do; send the first Latina to Congress from Texas!

In those 25 years, you have helped me to be the first Latina on Commissioners Court, and the first Latna in the Texas Senate from

Harris County. And every one of those challenges has prepared me to take on the most dif-ficult and important challenge of my life; which is to go to Congress and stand up to Donald Trump and fight for you. While it may be too early to call right now, there is a good chance that Democrats

will take back Congress. So thanks to you, I will be a part of the majority in Congress that will be ready to push back against the Trump Administrations' heartless immigraI will be ready to fight

for an economy that works for all, not just the wealthiest Americans.

I will be ready to work

to bring high paying quality jobs to our district, jobs with benefits that keep families together.

I will be ready to fight for an education system

that gives everyone in America access to opportu-Tonight we have sent a message folks... working

people and Latinos and women aren't going to get pushed around any more! We're going to push

back! No seremos vencidos And that's exactly what happened today - we saw record breaking turnout in communities of color and And we are seeing simi-

lar stories all over the country

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Sylvia Garcia,

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But real change happens at the local level with committed people like you, willing to work to make your community a better place.

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Dedication ceremony held in honor of Dr. Viola M. Garcia



A dedication ceremony was held in honor of Aldine ISD Board Member Dr. Viola M. Garcia, right of photo, on Sunday, Nov. 4 to officially open Dr. Viola M. Garcia Middle School. Pictured with Dr. Garcia were, (I-r). Assistant Board Secretary Connie Esparza, Board Member Dr. Kimberley Booker, Board President Steve Mead, Aldine ISD Superintendent Dr. LaTonya M. Goffney, Board Secretary Rose Avalos, Board Vice-President Paul Shanklin and Deputy Superintendent Dr. Selina Chapa.

Aldine ISD Board Member Dr. Viola M. Garcia was joined by friends, colleagues and family members to officially open the middle school named in her honor during a dedication ceremony to officially open Dr. Viola M. Garcia Middle School on Sunday, Nov. 4.

Dr. Garcia, the longest tenured member of the Aldine ISD Board of Trustees, was appointed to the Position 7 seat in 1992. During her 26 years as a trustee, Dr. Garcia has held all four board offices and has served on numerous committees. She has been a visible and active board member attending numerous district and community events to visit with students, parents and

community members.

In her role as a professor at the University of Houston Downtown, Dr. Garcia has promoted educational programs and students by training future teachers for local school districts including Aldine

districts including Aldine.
Dr. Garcia is a member of the Mexican American School Board Members Association and has served as that organization's president. She has also served as a regional director, secretary-treasurer, president and past-president of the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB). She has also served at the national level as a regional director for the National School Board Association.

Dr. Garcia graciously acknowledged a number of groups and individuals who made this day possible during her remarks at the dedication ceremony.

"There are so many people to thank, but I want to begin by thanking the Aldine board for this great honor," she said. "For those visiting or who do not know, the changes that have occurred in Aldine over the past two years are phenomenal. This beautiful middle school is but one of eight new buildings opened this academic year. want to thank the community for the vision to provide Aldine students, administrators, teachers and staff opportunities to work, learn and teach in state-of-the-art buildings such as this.

"To Dr. Wanda Bamberg, retired superintendent, and Dr. Archie Blanson, retired deputy superintendent, their leadership team, and especially to the buildings and properties staff for being true to form to the Aldine expectation that greatness is achieved when it is expected, I offer my congratulations and deep gratitude for your commitment to excellence in planning and implementing these impressive buildings and changes."

Dr. Garica also thanked Garcia Middle School Principal Todd Roede and his staff for their dedicated

"I want to thank him (Roede) and the dedicated and talented administrators, teachers and staff he has assembled to guide and lead the Garcia students," Dr. Garcia said. "The pride and dedication of these educators is evident in the work that they do and the performance by these talented students today, demonstrates that students are the center of this most important work

In this special place."

Dr. Garcia shared with the audience that she and her husband Jorge came from small towns in Texas. Her graduating class had 32 students, while Jorge's had 16, but growing up in small towns helped to shape both of them for a successful future. She added her mother made it clear to her that she could achieve anything in life through hard work and

dedication.

"Small town values, hard work and dedication to family are important in our lives," Dr. Garcia said, the mother of three daughters. "In such a place, one does not envision life's possibilities and opportunities, so I was truly blessed to have been nurtured by a loving mother who did not set limitations on a daughter growing up in the 50's and 60's. This recognition today is greatly hers, so I recognize and honor her today. Thank you

all so very much."
Abel Garza, assistant superintendent of community and governmental relations, delivered the welcome and introduced the Aldine ISD Board of

Trustees, Superintendent Dr. LaTonya M. Goffney and members of her executive leadership team. Also in attendance were U.S. Rep. Gene Green, State Senator Sylvia Garcia and State Rep. Ana Hernandez. Former Board members A.W. Jones, Marine Jones and Rick Ogden attended, as did former Superintendent Nadine Kujawa, former Deputy Superintendents Bill Plummer and Dr. Archie Blanson and former Assistant Superintendent of Finance Ann Marie Hazzan.

The Garcia Middle School LOTC presented the colors and Garcia students Angelica Rivera and Michael Amador led the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

The Rev. Dr. Edwin A.

The Rev. Dr. Edwin A. Davis delivered the invocation, which was followed by a video presentation highlighting Dr. Garcia.

Inghting Dr. Garcia.

The Garcia Choir, under the direction of Lorileigh Shownes, performed the Garcia Alma Mater, which was followed by a performance by the Garcia Middle School Band, which was under the direction of Tim Bradberry.

Tim Bradberry.

Aldine ISD Board President Steve Mead accepted the school on behalf of the Board, while Roede accepted the school on behalf of the school's administration. Garcia teacher Lorenzo Tolbert accepted the school on behalf of the staff and student Christal Scott accepted the school on behalf of the student body. Garcia parent Valarie Fonteneaux accepted the school on behalf of the com-

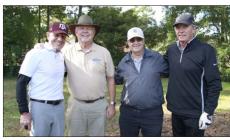
Following Dr. Garcia's remarks, she and her husband Jorge unveiled the portrait of her that will hang in the school.

hang in the school.
Dr. Goffney then delivered closing remarks and thanked Dr. Garcia for her dedicated serve to Aldine's students, staff and community members

nity members.

"Thank you so much Dr. Garcia for all you have accomplished throughout the years in Aldine," Dr. Goffney said. "You have served as an elected board member for 26 years. Thank you for all you have done."

Aldine EF Golf Tournament sets record for funds raised



Former Aldine ISD Superintendent M.B. "Sonny" Donaldson poses with his teammates at the Aldine Education Foundation Golf Tournament, which is named in his honor. Pictured with Mr. Donaldson are, (I-r): Alex Jordan, Jim Pinkerton and Steve Dahlman. The tournament set a record by raising more than \$80,000 for scholarships and grants for Aldine ISD students and teachers.

For its fifth annual Golf Tournament, Aldine Education Foundation named the event in honor of former Aldine ISD superintendent, M.B. "Sonny" Donaldson. He has served as the event's honorary chair since its inception and was thrilled to be a permanent part of the Foundation's efforts to raise funds for Aldine ISD student scholarships and teacher grants.

teacher grants.

Held on Friday, October
26 at the Oakhurst Golf
Club in Porter, the Sonny
Donaldson Golf Tournament proved to be as sunny as its namesake. Clear
skies and crisp temperatures welcomed the 120+
golfers there in support of
the District. They joined
Title Sponsor WCA to ensure the Foundation increases its support of
Aldine ISD.

Aldine Education Foundation board president Richard Cantu thanked all in attendance for their generosity, noting, "All sponsors, teams, and players made this our biggest year yet. Together we've raised more than \$80,000 for scholarships and grants. We truly appreciate your participation and hope you will continue to support this deserving school district."

school district."

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WCA were Platinum

Sponsors Caldwell Companies, Molina Walker Al-

maguer Architects, Stanley Spurling & Hamilton, and Stanton Engineering. Breakfast and Lunch Sponsors were Harris County Department of Education/ Choice Partners and Bracewell, respectively. Gold Sponsors included Barcelona Sports, IDG Architects, Prologis, Solid IT Networks, and JR Thomas Group. Silver Sponsors were East Aldine District, Edgenuity, U.S. Representative Gene Green, HTS Consultants, InvesTex Credit Union, Loop Capital Markets, Martinez Architects, Piper Jaffray & Co., Tandus Centiva, and Wells Fargo Securities. Exclusive Hole Sponsors included Raba Kistner, Raising Cane's, and Thompson & Horton. Additionally, 42 campuses also contributed to the success of this year's tournament as school hole

sponsors.
Enjoying the bragging rights of first place in tournament play were the HTS Consultants team members Freddie Brooks, Fritz Greer, and Landon Ewing with a score of 56.

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Golf Tournament committee chair Sidney Brewer was ecstatic with the turnout and results of Aldine Education Foundation's biggest fundraising event. He is already working to plan for another great golf outing in 2019. We hope you will be a part of it.

Father charged in fatal car accident

On Wednesday, November 7, 2018, at approximately 1:25 pm.,30-year old Fernando Vicente Carcamo, was operating a 2007 Chevrolet Equinox eastbound in the middle lane in the 2400 block of West Mount Houston at a high rate of speed.

Carcamo's sons, 8-year-old

Kristopher and 5-year-old Jacob, were unrestrained occupants in the vehicle.

At approximately the same time, a 2014 Ram 5500 truck was stopped in the outside eastbound lane and a 2002 International 4300 flatbed truck was stopped in the middle eastbound lane in the 2400 block of West Mount Houston near the intersection of Rosslyn Rd. due to a red traffic signal.

Carcamo's vehicle failed to drive in a single lane while traveling well above the posted speed limit.

The defendant's vehicle struck the rear of the Ram then rotated clockwise and struck the right front quarter panel of the Internation-

Carcamo and his 5 year old son were transported to the hospital with severe injuries.

The eight year old was found with no signs of life on the scene.

on the scene.

The Harris County District Attorney's Office accepted the charges of manslaughter and aggravat-

ed assault.

Previous information at the scene of the crash erroneously stated that Carcamo was intoxicated; investigators now believe the signs and symptoms of impairment were related to medication given to him on scene by EMS personnel.

Subsequent testing revealed Carcamo's blood alcohol content was well below the legal requirement.

This case is currently being investigated by the Vehicular Crimes Division of the Harris County Sheriff's Office.

Voters select three new Lone Star College Board of Trustees members

HOUSTON (Nov. 7) – The Lone Star College Board of Trustees will have three new members following last night's election. The new members will each serve six year terms and be officially sworn in during the December 6, 2018 Board of Trustees receiving.

meeting.
Representing District 1
will be Michael Stoma, District 2 Ernestine M. Pierce
and District 8 Mike Sulli-

van.
"I look forward to working with the new members of the Lone Star College

Board of Trustees," said Stephen C. Head, Ph.D., LSC chancellor. "I also want to express my gratitude to the outgoing and returning board members for their commitment to ensure our students receive the highest quality of education possible."

Trustees are elected by voters who live in the LSC district for which the single-member district election is being held. LSC trustees serve staggered terms – three of nine trustees come up for election every two years – so that

there are always experienced members sitting on the board.

the board.
"I would personally like
to thank David Holsey,
Kyle Scott and Ron Trowbridge for their years of
service," said Head. "I hope
they understand the incredible impact they have

had on our students."
In addition to the new members, Alton Smith, Art Murillo, David Vogt, Myriam Saldívar, Linda Good and Ken Lloyd will continue to serve on the board.



APPRECIATION COMMUNITY

Dedication ceremony held in honor of Merlin Griggs



Cathy Griggs and her sons Merlin Griggs, II and Justin pose with Aldine ISD Superintendent Dr. LaTonya M. Goffney, members of the Board of Trustees, former Board member A.W. Jones and State Senator Sylvia Garcia following the dedication ceremony to officially open Merlin D. Griggs EC/ PK/K School on Oct. 21. The school is named after former AISD Board

On Sunday, Oct. 21, hundreds of family members, friends and Aldine ISD adbers gathered for the dedication ceremony of Merlin D. Griggs EC/Pre-K/K

Member Merlin Griggs.

The school is named in honor of former Aldine ISD Board Member Merlin D. Griggs, who passed away in December 2016.

Mr. Griggs, a local businessman, was appointed to the Board in May of 2007 to fill the unexpired term of former Board member A.W. Jones. He was elected to the position in November 2007.

Mr. Griggs was a resident of Woodcreek and was active in Aldine schools for many years. He served as a S.N.A.P (Students Need a Pat and a Push) mentor, president of the Nimitz High School booster club and was a member of the Nimitz Peer Review Assessment Team. He also gave of his team to speak to students at numerous career days dur-ing his years in Aldine.

He also served as chairman of the Needs Assessment Committee for the successful 2007 bond referendum elec-

Mr. Griggs was a senior Oil & Gas underwriter for Fairmont Specialty Inc., a subsidiary of Crum & Forester Insurance Company. He worked in the commercial insurance industry for more agement and technical positions. He received a bachelor's of science degree in Business Management from Prairie View A&M University. He was a founding board member of the Aldine Education Foundation and sat on the board of directors for Manning Fam-

Mr. Griggs was a proud member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and served faithfully as an ordained deacon at Fallbrook Church. Mr. Griggs' wife Cathy and

their sons Merlin, II and Justin addressed the audience during the dedication ceremo

for naming a school in her husband's honor. "Today is such an incredible day, and I would like to thank each one of you for joining us for the dedication of Merlin Douglas Griggs EC/ Pre-K/K School," she said. "I appreciat the Aldine ISD School Board for honoring my husband in this special way and I want to thank (former superintendent) Dr. Wanda Bamberg and (former deputy superintendent) Dr. Archie Blanson for your leadership and support of my family. Thank you to all of our family and friends who are here today, you all meant the world to Merlin and I cannot ex-

your faces today." She also thanked her Fallbrook Church family, Mr. Griggs' Alpha Phi Alpha brothers and members of the Griggs family for their support over the years.

press how grateful I am to see

"Thank you to our Fall-brook Church family and Merlin's Deacon Brothers for the way you have always loved on our family," she said. "It means so much that you chose to be here today. To Merlin's brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, thank you r your continuous support. "And now the Griggs fami-

ly, Merlin's brothers Terry and his wife Ann, Ralph and his wife Rosie and his sister Sheila and her husband Warren. Thank you for being with

She concluded her remarks with a fond remembrance of her husband.

"To everyone here who knew my husband, you all have a special place in my heart and the things you poured into him, brought us to this place today," Mrs. Griggs said. "To each of you my hopes are that you will re member my husband for his vork ethic, his kind spirit and the moments he shook your hand or gave you a hug and made you smile."

Abel Garza, Aldine ISD's assistant superintendent of community and governmen-tal relations, opened the cer-Cathy thanked the Board emony by introducing ne."

Aldine's Board of Trustees, Superintendent Dr. LaTonya M. Goffney and her executive leadership team. Also in attendance were former Board

members Marine Jones, A.W.

Jones, Rick Ogden, former su-

perintendent Dr. Wanda Bamberg and former Deputy Superintendent Dr. Archie Griggs students Brianna Pavon, Alan Sorano and Elizabeth White led the audience in reciting the Pledge of Alle-giance and the Pledge to the

Texas flag and Rev. Michael Pender of Fallbrook Church delivered the invocation.

A video highlighting Mr. Griggs was shown, which was followed by a musical perfor-

mance by Griggs students.

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner presented the family with a proclamation on behalf of the City of Houston and delivered remarks praising Mr. Griggs for his dedicated

service as a Board member. Board President Steve Mead accepted the school on behalf of the Board of Trustees, while Griggs principal Gladys Moton accepted the school on behalf of the administration. Griggs teacher Jamila Thomas accepted the school on behalf of the staff, student Skykyn Hoskin accepted the school on behalf of the student body and Jasmine Powell accepted the school on behalf of the community.

Members of Alpha Phi Alpha than presented the Griggs family with a plaque to thank Mr. Griggs for his dedicated service to the fra-

ternity.
Mrs. Griggs and her sons then unveiled the portrait of Mr. Griggs that will hang in the school and Dr. Goffney then delivered closing remarks.

"It is truly an honor to be here at the dedication ceremony for Mr. Merlin D. Griggs," Dr. Goffney said. "The district is in a greater place because of the work and vision of our previous leaders. The work Mr. Griggs did will always be remembered by the students and families of Aldi-

Dedication ceremony held to honor long-time educator, Board member Marine Jones



Marine Jones, right, and her daughter Marcie Jones-Strahan, pose with Aldine ISD Superintendent Dr. LaTonya M. Goffney and members of the Aldine ISD Board of Trustees with the portrait of Mrs. Jones that will hang in Marine Jones Middle School. A dedication ceremony was held on Sunday,

Hundreds of friends, family members and col-leagues gathered on Sunday, Oct. 28 to honor Marine Jones at the dedication ceremony held in her honor to officially open Marine D. Jones Middle

Oct. 28 to officially open the school.

School. vears to Aldine ISD as a school secretary, teacher,

librarian and counselor.

After her educational career, she served for 10 years as an Aldine ISD Trustee on the Board of Education. During her Board tenure, Mrs. Jones held all four Board offices and served on numerous committees. She has lived in the Aldine community for more than 50 years.

Mrs. Jones thanked a number of groups she is close to who were in attendance at the dedication ceremony.

"I want to thank the Board of Trustees for the honor of having my name placed on this beautiful building," she said. "Thanks to Rev. Dr. Edwin Davis and my Galilee (Missionary Baptist Church) family for being here. Thanks to my Lincoln Park weight training class and Seniors on the Move, and to the members of the North Harris County Retired Teachers Association.

"To the Aldine family, current and former principals, co-workers and administrators in Aldine ISD, thank you all for being here. Relationships that are formed in Aldine are

lifelong."

Mrs. Jones recounted her Aldine journey, which began 58 years ago when she accepted a job as the secretary at Bethune Elementary School. In 1963, she moved to Drew Middle School and taught sixthand eighth-grade language arts and later served as the

assistant librarian. In 1967, she transferred to Aldine High School where she became the first African-American teacher on that campus. She then moved to MacArthur High School where she served as the school's librarian She also served as a counselor at MacArthur before moving to Aldine Contemporary Education Center

counselor In 2002, she became the first female African-American to serve on the Board of Trustees when she was appointed to fill the unexpired term for former Trustee Doug Bussey.

where she served as a

"Throughout all of the firsts and positions I've held in Aldine, I've tried to maintain a pleasant and positive attitude, give 100 percent at all times and be on time while being myself," she said.

Mrs. Jones concluded her remarks by reciting Albert Guest's poem, My-Abel Garza, assistant

superintendent of community and governmental re-lations, delivered the welcome to open the dedication ceremony and introduced members of the Board of Trustees, Aldine Superintendent Dr. LaTonya M. Goffney and members of her executive leadership team. He also introduced former Board members A.W. Jones and Rick Ogden and former Superintendents Dr. Wanda Bamberg and Nadine Kujawa. Also in attendance were former Deputy Superintendent Dr. Archie Blanson, former Assistant Superintendent of Administration Vernon Lewis and his wife Kathy, former General Counsel Jonathan Hantke, former Assistant Superintendent of Finance Ann-Marie Hazzan and

former Assistant Superintendent of Community and Governmental Relations Ben Wilson and his wife

Candy. The Jones Middle School LOTC presented the colors and Jones students Lillian Flores and Layla Castillo led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the

Texas Flag. Rev. Dr. Edwin A. Davis, pastor of Galilee Mission-ary Baptist Church, delivered the invocation, which was followed by a video was followed by a Video highlighting Mrs. Jones service to Aldine. The Jones Middle School Mighty Toro Choir

then performed two songs.

Board President Steve Mead then accepted the school on behalf of the Board of Trustees and Jones Principal Marcus Pruitt accepted the school on behalf of the school's administration. Jones teacher Sha-Tia Hollaway accepted the school on behalf of the Jones staff and student Alana Jackson accepted the school on behalf of the student body. Jones parent Wilkie Law accept ed the school on behalf of

the community.
Following Mrs. Jones' remarks, she and her daughter Marcie Jones-Strahan, the principal of Hall Center for Education, unveiled the portrait of Mrs. Jones that will hang in the school. $\,$ Dr Goffney delivered

closing remarks, thanking Mrs. Jones for her 58 years of service to Aldine.

"Thank you so much Mrs. Jones for all that you accomplished through the years in Aldine, most of which you ac-complished volunteering," Dr. Goffney said. "It's amazing that you have given 58 years of service to Aldine. Thank you so much for all that you have done.

Election Results,

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Pannell Fletcher received 52% of the vote, against incumbent John Culberson

with 48%. In House District 8, primarily Montgomery Coun-ty, incumbent Kevin Brady received 62.7% of the vote versus Steven David with

In the State Legislature, District 127, Republican incumbent Dan Huberty won with 80% of the vote versus Ryan Woods. In District 128 incumbent Briscoe Cain was elected

with no opposition. Armando Walle, a popular state legislator in North Houston's District 140, was returned to office with no opposition. Senfronia Thompson in District 141 was returned unonposed, and Ana Hernandez in District 143 won with no

opposition. Another upset no predicted was for the office of District Clerk, where Marilyn Burgess with 55%of the votes defeated incumbent Chris Daniel who had 45% of the votes.

County Clerk Stan Stanart, a familiar name on tax bills, also lost with 43% of the vote versus challenger Diane Traut-

man with 54% of the votes. Richard Cantu, a wellknown management dis-trict executive in Aldine, won a position as County School Trustee At Large, with 56% of the vote versus his challenger, Marc Cowart with 44%.

County Commissioner Pct. 4 incumbent Jack Cagle won re-election with 55% of the vote, versus challenger Penny Shaw's

For Justice of the Peace in Precinct 3, Place 2, Lucia Bates was elected without opposition. She had defeated incumbent Don Coffey in the Primary election in May. HOUSTON

Two major Propositions were on the ballot for Houston voters. Proposition A, calling for financing of roads and sewers. received 74% FOR votes, and 26% AGAINST. For Proposition B, raising the pay of city fireman to match that of comparable positions in the police department, there were 59% FOR votes, and 41%

AGAINST votes



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VENDOR APPRECIATION DAY

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Light Refreshments to be served For vendor appreciation days

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OPINION PAGE

Understanding yourself in 'the age of overwhelm³

(NAPSI)—If you're ever among the many Americans who feel overwhelmed by work or school; family or community; caretaking for others or your own health and well-being; or engagement in social justice, environmental advocacy or civil service, you may be relieved to learn that just a few subtle shifts can make a major difference

To help, Laura van Dernoot Lipsky, best-selling author of "Trauma Stewardship," offers concrete strategies to mitigate harm, cultivate decency and equitable-ness, and act with integrity in her new book "The Age of Overwhelm" (Penguin Random House).

"Each time in history has its challenges," Lipsky writes, and yet "there is this particular look in folks' eyes today that has prompted me to dedicate this book to those who are operating in a state of overwhelm some of the time or all of the time." $\,$

Two-Step Solution

The first step toward overcoming being over-whelmed, she says, is to separate what is and isn't within your control; the second step is to act on that which is in your power to change and relinquish what is not

Combining New Yorker cartoons and sage advice, Lipsky moves readers through the process of minimizing distraction and heightening inten-tion. By paring away the unnecessary, she advises, people do less of what erodes them and more of what sustains them. asserting that only then can you be a force for good in the world.

About The Author

Lipsky is globally recognized for her pioneering work on understanding the effects of exposure to trauma. She draws from her own research, personal observations and three decades of experience working with nearly every type of civic and organizational venue— from small-town organizations to massive international disaster scenes. The result is an inclusive, encouraging and practical resource, one likely to resonate with people "on the brink of mental, spiritual, physical and emotional collapse."



Secretary of State Pablos applauds early voting turnout

AUSTIN — Statistics compiled by the office of the secretary of state show Texans cast ballots in record numbers during the early voting period before the Nov. 6 midterm general election.

Of the 12,255,607 registered voters in the 30 mostpopulous counties of Texas, some 4,884,528 individuals voted in person or by mail during the early vot-ing period of Oct. 22 through Nov. 2. That comes to nearly 40 percent of registered voters for those counties. If not a record, that is unusually high in comparison to early voting in previous non-presidential elections.

Texas Secretary of State Rolando Pablos, the state's chief elections officer, on Nov. 2 encouraged the 11 million registered voters who did not take advantage of early voting to get to the polls and vote on Election Day.

"As you head to the polls, please be prepared to join the millions of Texans who are eager to cast their votes," Pablos said, "I ask you to be patient and respectful as Texans celebrate this privileged event of civic duty to exercise $their\,fundamental\,right\,to$

Pablos addressed rumors that electronic voting machines might be inaccurately processing ballots. He assured voters that each of their choices on their ballots would be counted accurately and securely and that "every polling place in Texas is staffed by trained elections officials and personnel who are there to help you, are

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ready to assist and can ensure that you are able to successfully cast your

Abbott requests declaration

Gov. Greg Abbott on Oct. 30 sent a letter to President Donald Trump requesting a presidential disaster declaration for counties especially hard-hit by severe weather and flooding that caused widespread damage across the state in mid-October.

More counties may be added to the declaration as local, state and federal agencies continue to assess damages, Abbott said.

"The magnitude of recent severe weather and flooding has taken a serious toll on Texans across the state. With such widespread flooding and devasadditional resources are needed to help Texans recover," Abbott said.

In addition to his request for a presidential disaster declaration, Abbott on Oct. 30 expanded his state disaster declaration to cover some 111 Texas counties. Abbott has authorized the use of all available resources of state government and of political subdivisions to aid in the response efforts.

TxDOT urges more safety

xas D 1 announced that since Nov. 7, 2000 — a period of 18 years - at least one person has died on Texas roadways every single day.

To increase awareness. TxDOT called for Texans to post photo and video testimonials using the social media hashtag #EndTheStreakTX.

"We all have the power to end the streak of daily deaths on Texas roadways, said Texas Transportation Commissioner Laura Ryan. "Don't drink and drive; put away the cell phone; buckle up; and obey traffic laws. Be the driver you would want next to you, in front of you or behind you. Together, we can end the streak."

"It's heartbreaking to know that every day for the past 18 years someone has lost a spouse, child, friend or neighbor on our state's roadways," said TxDOT Executive Director James Bass. "Ending this deadly daily streak is a shared responsibility. We will continue to engineer our roads to be more forgiving of drivers' errors, but we all must work toward ending such preventable contributing factors as distracted driving, speeding and drunk driving.'

Revenue total increases

State sales tax revenue totaled \$2.6 billion in October, an amount 7.3 percent more than the amount reported in October 2017, Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar said on Nov. 2.

Total sales tax revenue for the three months ending in October 2018 was up 12.6 percent compared to the same period a year ago. The sales tax is the largest source of state funding for the state budget, accounting for 57 percent of all tax collections

However, revenue from other major taxes on motor vehicle sales and rentals motor fuel and oil and natural gas production were mixed for the month, as fol-- Motor vehicle sales

of Transportation on Nov. million, down 2.6 percent Security. So, they compared with October changed the benefit 2017;

- Motor fuel taxes, \$298 million, down 4.2 percent compared with October 2017; and

 Oil and natural gas production taxes, \$439.9 million, up 52.4 percent compared with October



Social Security Matters

by AMAC Certified Social Security Advisor Russell Gloor Association of Mature American Citizens

Ask Rusty – Upset About Wife's Reduced Social Security

Dear Rusty: My wife contributed to Social Security before and after working alongside her first husband in their business, but with no contributions during that period. In more recent years she taught public school for enough years to qualify for NV PERS. Social Security is telling us that when she starts her PERS at age 65about 40 percent of her SS will be taken away. To us the two should be totally separate. Can you explain the logic of this reduction? Why should she be penalized for working a period of time outside of a SS profession? Thank you for your response in advance. Signed: Upset Husband

Dear Upset Husband: If your wife is eligible for Social Security on her own record, and she will also get a pension from Nevada's Public **Employee Retirement** System (PERS), then her Social Security benefit will, indeed, be affected by Social Security's Windfall **Elimination Provision** (WEP) when she starts her PERS pension. The WEP provision was enacted by Congress in 1983 as part of a broader program to restore Social Security to solvency against looming financial issues.

According to the Social Security Administration, WEP was intended to create better equality in how benefits were computed for those who worked their entire career contributing to Social Security, and those who did not. The logic was that, since the Social Security benefit computation is intentionally weighted toward lower-earning workers, to compute benefits in the same way for those who did not contribute fully to Social Security was unfair because they also receive an enhanced pension in addition to Social calculation for anyone with a pension from employment which did not contribute to Social Security. That formula, which normally uses 90% of the first "bend point," or segment, of one's average indexed monthly earnings (AIME) over their lifetime, instead uses a 40% multiplier for those with a non-SS-Covered pension.

The "bend point" values change each year, but for 2018 the first bend point value is \$895, so someone affected by WEP applying for Social Security today would see their benefit contribution from the first bend point - the one which contributes the most to one's benefit amount - as \$358 instead of \$806. The WEP reduction is mitigated if someone has more than 20 years of substantial earnings from employment which contributed to Social Security, and WEP goes away if one has more than 30 years of substantial SScovered earnings. There is also a maximum WEP reduction for each year, and the reduction cannot be more than 50% of the non-covered pension, so WEP can never completely eliminate one's Social Security retirement benefit. But there's other bad

news: when your wife

is eligible for Social Security spousal or survivor's benefits and her PERS pension has started, she will be affected by another provision called the Government Pension Offset (GPO). The GPO reduces spousal and/or survivor's benefits by 2/ 3rds of the amount of the non-covered pension, which can entire ly eliminate the Social Security spousal or survivor benefit. And the rationale for GPC mirrors that for WEP. I know it will be small comfort, but you are hardly alone when it comes to being upset about your wife's Social Security benefit being reduced by WEP. I understand your contention that "the two should be totally separate" and there are many, including some members of Congress, who share that view. In fact, there is a bill before Congress now known as H.R. 1205 -The Social Security Fairness Act - which proposes to eliminate both WEP and GPO. Unfortunately, that bill has made little progress despite having about 188 bipartisan cospon and little prospect for passage seems possible at this time. While I know this doesn't relieve your displeasure about WEP, I hope it at least somewhat clarifies why it was enacted and how it This article is

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SPORTS ENTERTAINMENT

Texans return to work with visit to Washington: Rams, Chiefs meet on Monday Night in Mexico

After ripping off six straight victories, the Texans received a well-deserved week off last week when they travel to Landover MD to face the Washington

After losing their first three games of the seasons, many Texans fans were ready to give up on Bill O'Brien's team, but the team regrouped behind quarterback DeShaun Watson, wide receiver DeAndre Hopkins, and a stout defense led by J.J. Watt and Jadeveon Clowney.

Not even a season-ending knee injury to speedy wide receiver Will Fuller could slow down O'Brien's team. General Manager Brian Gaine traded a fourth-round pick in next April's draft to Denver to pick up Demaryius Thomas, one of the most consistent wide receivers in the league.

In an ironic twist, Thomas Houston debut came in Denver, the team he played for for nine seasons and the team he helped win Super Bowl 50. Thomas caught three passes for 61 yards in his Houston debut and with an extra week to learn the playbook and jell with Watson, Houston should have another solid weapon to turn to on offense.

The Texans face a Washing home two weeks ago by the Falcons, 38-14, as the second ary was pillaged for big play after big play by Falcons QB Matt Ryan. This will be a good test for the Texans and a win against the straight wins and give them firm control of the AFC South. Green Bay visits Seattle on

Thursday night to kick off Week 11 in a game both teams need to win if they hope to keep their fledgling playoff hopes alive. Week 11 offers a plethora of

big games as Cincinnati visits Baltimore with the winner remaining in the AFC North hunt while the loser might be making plans for some key offseason changes. The Steelers, who might have running back Le'Veon Bell back (he had to report by Nov. 13 and sign his franchise tag, if not, he misses the entire 2018 season), travel to Jacksonville to face a struggling Jaguars team, while Philadelphia visits the Big Easy to take on a

Speaking of disappointments. the Dallas Cowboys travel to Atlanta to take on the surging Falcons. Dallas looked dreadfu on offense two weeks ago in their 28-14 loss to Tennessee on Monday Night Football.

Quarterback Dak Prescott's struggles continued and the once steady Cowboys defense was carved up by a mediocre Titans offense. If Dallas collapses down the stretch, it might be time for owner Jerry Jones to find a new head coach

The NFL used its flex option to move the Minnesota at Chicago game to Sunday Night Football as the surprising firstplace Bears host the second place Vikings in a key NFC North contest in prime time

And if that's not enough, how about the Kansas City Chiefs taking on the Los Angeles Rams on Monday Night Football in Mexico City. This game will feature the league's two best offenses led by young stud quarterbacks Pat Mahomes of the Chiefs and Jared Goff of the season end two weeks ago with a 45-35 loss at New Orleans, but you can bet Sean McVay's team will be poised and focused to take on the high-scoring Chiefs in what should be a delightful game to view.

The college schedule is pretty soft this week as the top teams in the country host out-ofconference cupcakes, except for No. 3-ranked Notre Dame which plays a home game in Yankee Stadium against a Syracuse team that has won seven of its first nine games. If you haven't seen the uniforms the Irish will wear, check it out. The Irish will don pinstripe uniforms (they are playing in Yankee Stadium after

all!) and they are quite a sight. West Virginia travels to Stillwater to face an Oklahoma State team that was upset by Baylor two weeks ago, but if the Mountaineers look past the Cowboys and ahead to their showdown with Oklahoma the following week, Dana Holgor son's team might regret doing

Before we take a look at this week's schedule, let's review last week's record. An 8-4 mark brought the season record to 74-

Now onto this week's

Texas Tech at Kansas State - If Kilff Kingsbury's Red Raiders are going to secure a bowl win, they will need to win in Manhattan this Saturday and that hasn't been an easy task for Tech in past years. KSU has struggled this year and entered last week's game against Kansas with just three wins on the season. Tech's offensive firepower should be enough to get them a win, but Kingsbury's team can't take anything for granted at this point in the season. Two weeks ago in a 51-46 loss at home to Oklahoma, freshman quarterback Alan Bowman's (2,638 yards passing, 17 TDs) lung collapsed for the

cond time this season. If he is unable to go, back up Jett Duffy (627 yards passing, 4 TDs; 297 yards rushing, 4 TDs) must play better than he has thus far when Bowman has gone down. Look for Tech's advantage at wide receiver to make the difference in this game as Antoine Wesley (70 receptions, 1,171 yards, 7 TDs), Ja'Delon High (47 receptions, 615 yards, 3 TDs) and J.T. Vasher (34 receptions 470 yards, 5 TDs) be too much for the KSI I defense to handle My pick, Texas Tech 34, Kansas

West Virginia at Oklahoma State – This could be a trap game for the Mountaineers. who might be thinking about the other team in Oklahoma when they Nov. 23, WVU hosts Oklahoma with the winner probably assuring themselves of a spot in the Big 12 title game on Dec. 1. Two weeks ago, WVU picked up a big road win in Austin with a 42-41 win over the Longhorns as head coach Dana Holgorson ent for two and the win instead of kicking an extra point and forcing overtime after the Mountaineers scored late to make it 41-40. Holgorson's mble paid off as quarterback Will Grier (2,618 yards passing 28 TDs) scored on the two-point conversion. Grier and his proliferate offense, led by wide receivers David Sills V (43 receptions, 626 yards, 11 TDs), Marcus Sims (34 receptions, 566 yards, 2 TDs) and Gary Jennings Jr., (35 receptions, 542 yards, 9 TDs) need to come out flinging and take the starch out of the Cowboys and their home crowd. OSU has a pretty fair offense itself led by quarterback Taylor Cornelius (2,622 yards passing. 20 TDs), running back Justice Hill (895 yards, 8 TDs) and wide receiver Tylan Wallace (55 receptions, 1,062 yards, 7 TDs)

team! My pick, West Virginia 36, Oklahoma State 30 Duke at Clemson - The Clemson Tigers are playing as well as any team in the country this side of Tuscaloosa so don' expect Dabo Swiney's team to suffer a let down against a game Duke team on Saturday. Since Oct 6 Clemson has outscored its opponents 243-36 as the offense is rolling behind sophomore quarterback Trevor Lawrence (1,549 yards passing, 18 TDs), running back Travis Etienne (998 yards rushing, 15 Higgins (35 receptions, 514 yards, 7 TDs) and one of the best defenses in the country Duke is bowl eligible, and that's a good thing because they aren't winning at Clemson on Saturday. My nick Clemson 43 Duke 17

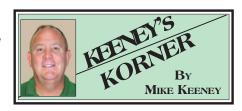
and should be able to hang with

Mountaineers to pull away in the

second half and then they will set their sites on Oklahoma's other

WVU early. Look for the

Syracuse vs. Notre Dame This is a home game for the Irish, even though it's being played in New York's Yankee Stadium. Technically, this is more of a home game for Syracuse, which is located in upstate New York, but ND has loads of fans in the Big Apple and across the country, so expect a lot of green and gold in the old ball yard on Saturday afternoon. This is a tough game for Brian Kelly's team who were ranked No. 3 in the country heading into last week's game against Florida State. ND is also ranked No. 3 in the College Football Playoff (CFP) poll and probably needs to win out to have a shot at the playoffs. The Orangemen won seven of their first nine games and have a potent offense led by quarter-back Eric Dungy (2,001 yards passing, 13 TDs; 628 yards rushing, 10 TDs), the son of former NFL head coach Tony Dungy. His top target is wide receiver Jamal Custis (40 receptions, 734 yards, 5 TDs).



The Orange average 38 points per game, but will face a very good Notre Dame defense that has speed at all positions. The Irish can play offense as well as quarterback lan Book (1,824 vards passing, 15 TDs) has a nost of weapons to turn to, most notably running back Dexter Williams (568 yards, 8 TDs) and wide receiver Miles Boykin (40 receptions, 624 yards, 7 TDs). Book does an excellent job of spreading the ball around and he has three solid tight ends he can turn to if the wide outs are covered. The Irish know this will be a tough test, but they also know a berth in the CFP playoffs is a real possibility and that should be enough motivation to get them past Syracuse in Yankee Stadium. My pick, Notre Dame 31, Syracuse 23

Green Bay at Seattle -

Week 11 begins on Thursday night with the Packers visiting the Seahawks in a game both teams need to win to keep their faint playoff hopes alive. Two weeks ago, the Packers lost at New England, 31-17, while Seattle fell at home to the Chargers, 25-17. This game features two of the best quarterbacks in the league in GB's Aaron Rodgers (2,542 yards, 15 TDs) and Seattle's Russell Wilson (1,791 yards, 18 TDs). The Packers ha struggled on the road this season and Seattle has one of the best home crowds in the NFL, but there's no better quarterback in the league to have when your team's backs are up against the wall in Rodgers. Look for Rodgers to make one or two more plays than does Wilson as the Packers pick up a huge road win to keep their playoff hopes alive. My pick, Green Bay 24, Seattle 21

Cincinnati at Baltimore This is a game for survival in the AFC North, more so for the Ravens than for the Bengals. There are rumblings coming out of Baltimore that head coach John Harbaugh could be coaching for his job down the stretch, which might be enough to motivate the Ravens down the stretch. What they need is better play from quarterback ,loe Flacco (2,468 yards, 12 TDs), who has struggled and has heard the boo birds quite a bit this season. Cinci QB Andy Dalton (2,102 yards, 17 TDs) might be without his top offensive weapon as wide receiver A.J. Green (45 receptions, 687 yards, 6 TDs) should miss this game with an ankle injury. That means fellow

wide out Tyler Boyd (49 receptions, 620 yards, 5 TDs) and running back Joe Mixon (509 yards rushing, 4 TDs) will need to pick up the slack. Baltimore will be out to avenge last year's final game loss to the Bengals, which cost them a playoff spot. That should be motivation enough for the lead the Ravens to a win on Sunday. My pick, Baltimore 23, Cincinnati Dallas at Atlanta - If the

Cowboys' 28-14 loss two weeks ago to Tennessee before a national TV audience wasn't enough to force owner Jerry Jones to make a head coaching change at the end of the seasor perhaps a blowout at Atlanta on Sunday will. The Cowboys lacked energy against the Titans as quarterback Dak Prescott had another below par performance. This team is so predictable on offense, First down, run Ezekiel Elliott, second down, run Elliott, third down, the have Prescott either throw behind or in front of a wide receiver. Not even the addition of speedy wide receiver Armai Cooper (who had a touchdown catch against the Titans) seemed to spark any life in the listless Dallas offense. And while the Dallas defense has played well this year, they did not do so against the Titans. And let's not kid ourselves; the Titans offense isn't exactly the Rams or the Chiefs. The Falcons have a much better offense than does Tennessee and they have been playing well lately. Two weeks ago, Matt Ryan (2,685 yards, 19 TDs) led Atlanta to a 38-14 win at Washington as wide receiver Julio Jones (60 receptions, 933 yards) caught his first touchdown of the season. Look for another big offensive game from Ryan and Co. as the Cowboys season continues to go down the drain My pick, Atlanta 34, Dallas 20

Houston at Washington Texan fans have to hope the week off does not slow down the momentum their team has gained during its six-game winning streak and I don't think it will. If anything, the week off should be a blessing at this point in the season. The Texans were able to rest up, heal and regroup for the stretch run. They face a Redskins team that is decimated by injuries on both sides of the football. Look for the Houston back Adrian Peterson (604 yards, 4 TDs) early and force quarterback Alex Smith (1,867 yards, 9 TDs) to turn to the passing game. Smith has struggled in the passing game but he is a mobile quarterback and he will need his legs to stave

off Watt, Clowney and their fellow pass rushers. Offensively look for Watson (2,389 yards, 17 involved in the offense, which should open up things for fellow wide out DeAndre Hopkins (63 receptions, 894 yards, 7 TDs). Look for the Texans to continue to roll as they win their seventh straight on Sunday. My pick, Houston 26, Washington 18 Philadelphia at New Orleans – The Eagles visit New

Orleans on Sunday with hopes of slowing down the surging Saints. Two weeks ago, Drew Brees (2,336 yards, 18 TDs) and his nates handed the Rams their first loss of the season with a 45-35 win in the Big Easy. Wide receiver Michael Thomas (70 receptions, 880 yards, 5 TDs) had a huge day hauling in 12 catches for 211 yards and a touchdown. Running back Alvin Kamara (490 yards rushing; 51 receptions, 427 yards, 12 total TDs) contributed three touchdowns and the NO defense did just enough to hold off the high-scoring Rams. The Eagles aren't as explosive on offense as the Rams are (who is, besides Kansas City?), but have a solid uarterback in Carson Wentz (1,785 yards, 13 TDs). Wentz doesn't have the cast around him that Brees has, but he has a penchant for making plays when his team needs them the most and he can also make plays with his legs. The Eagles appear to be rounding into form to make another playoff run, but their momentum gets slowed on Sunday as the Saints continue to roll. My pick, New Orleans 33, Philadelphia 27

Pittsburgh at Jacksonville The surging Steelers visit Jacksonville on Sunday in a game the Jags need if they hope to remain in the AFC South hunt. After a slow start, the Steelers have been playing as well as any team in the AFC as Ben Rothlisberger (2,560 yards, 16 TDs) has the offense humming behind running back James Conner (706 yards rushing, 10 total TDs) and wide receivers JuJu Smith-Schuster (53 receptions, 672 yards, 2 TDs) and Antonio Brown (51 receptions, 594 yards, 9 TDs). The Steelers may also get Le'Veon Bell back, which will only make the offense all the more potent. While the Steelers have been cruising on offense, the Jags have been stagnated. Quarterback Blake Bortles (2,021 yards, 10 TDs) continues to struggle with turnovers, but if running back Leonard Fournette returns after missing a majority of the season with a hamstring injury, that could be the spark the Jags need. Even if Fournette returns, I think the Steelers are the better team and will prove in on Sunday. My pick, Pittsburgh

26. Jacksonville 20

Minnesota at Chicago - A big one in the NFC North has been moved to prime time for the Sunday Night Football crew. This game will feature two of the best defenses in the league, so don't expect a lot of offensive fireworks (those will come on Monday night in Mexico City) in this game. The Vikings had last week off to rest up for this one while the Bears hosted the Lions The Bears are led by quarter back Mitch Trubisky (1,949 yards, 16 TDs) and running back Jordan Howard (439 yards, 5 by quarterback Kirk Cousins (2,685 yards, 17 TDs) and wide receiver Adam Thielen (78 receptions, 947 yards, 7 TDs). Both teams have solid defenses In the Bears 41-9 win over the Bills two weeks ago, the defense produced two touchdowns, and n the Vikes 24-9 win over the Lions two weeks ago, the defense recorded a team record 10 sacks. The Bears are one of the surprise teams of the 2018 season and it says here they pick up a big win in prime time on Sunday night. My pick, Chicago 23, Minnesota 17

Kansas City vs. Los Angeles Rams – While the Sunday night game should be a defensive delight, the Monday Night game will be an offensive delight as the league's top two offenses do battle in Mexico City Two weeks ago, the Rams saw their undefeated season come to an end and will want to reassert the NFL on Monday night. The Rams are loaded on offense le by quarterback Jared Goff (2,816 yards, 20 TDs), running back Todd Gurley (868 yards rushing, 16 total TDs) and a solid wide receiving corps led by Brandin Cooks (41 receptions, 757 yards, 3 TDs), Robert Woods (51 receptions, 743 yards, 3 TDs) and Cooper Kupp (35 receptions 527 yards, 6 TDs). The Chiefs have a load of weapons as well led by quarterback Patrick Mahomes (2,901 yards, 29 TDs) running back Kareem Hunt (683 yards rushing, 7 TDs; 21 receptions, 312 yards, 6 TDs), tight end Travis Kelce (51 receptions, 741 yards, 6 TDs) and speedy wide receiver Tyreel Hill (48 receptions, 774 yards, 7 TDs). The Rams' defense is a bit better than the Chiefs, and they could be the difference maker in this one, but I expect the quarterback that gets the ball last will drive his team to the victory, and that will be Goff. This will be a fun game to watch, so sit back and enjoy as Thanksgiv ing Week gets off to a great start! My pick, Los Angeles Rams 38,



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BIBLE TRIVIA

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1. Is the book of 3 Corinthians in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. Who was praised for his beauty "from the sole of his foot even to the crown of his head"? Absalom, Elisha, Pekah, Tola

3. What camp saw 185,000 of its soldiers slaughtered by an angel of the Lord? Assyrian, Midianite, Philistine

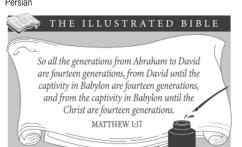
4. From Genesis 1:30 what is the first color mentioned in the Bible?Purple, Red, Green, Yellow

down flat at the shout of Joshua's army? Tarsus, Jericho, Corinth, Sardis 6. From 2 Chronicles 34:1, who was 8 years old when he

5. Which city's wall fell

began his reign? Abijam, Rehoboam, Marcus, Josiah

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COMMUNITY NEWS

PHOTO ALBUM Dia De Los Muertos & EAMD Fall Festival



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The Raffle for a TV was won by Aurora



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Senoritas of the Mixteca Ballet Folklorica perform one of the many dance numbers



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Native dancing by the Mixteca Ballet Folklorico.



The Mixteca Ballet Folklorico had colorful traditional dance costumes.



Dancers with colorful hats prepare for their dance number

East Aldine present at Aldine ISD 2018 State of the District

Richard Cantú, Deputy Executive Director of East Aldine and resident of Aldine Education Foundation, acknowledged key partners in the . community who continue to work with Aldine ISD to produce the nations best. Mr. Cantu also spoke about the many scholarships that the Aldine Education Foundation provides students to further their education. Thank you Aldine ISD and Aldine Education Foundation for your



Aldine ISD requests Gov. Abbott call Special Election for State Senator Sylvia Garcia's seat

Aldine ISD has sent a letter to Texas Gov. Greg Abbott requesting that he call a Special Election to fill the seat of former State Senator Svlvia Garcia before the Texas Legislature convenes in January of

On Friday, Nov. 9, Garcia resigned from her Dis-trict 6 Senate seat after she was elected on Nov. 6 to the United States Houston of Representatives. The incoming Congresswoman will represent District 29 and will succeed Congress man Gene Green who will retire in January 2019.

In the district's letter to the Governor, Aldine ISD Superintendent Dr. LaTonya M. Goffney requested that Gov. Abbott issue a proclamation to hold the Special Election at the earliest date permitted under

legislative session, there will be many critical issues facing school districts, in-cluding Aldine ISD, which is located in State Senate District 6, spanning 111 square-miles in North Houston," Dr. Goffney wrote in her letter to the Governor. "Our district serves more than 67,000 students in 81 schools with nearly 9,500 employees. It is already being projected

that there will be numerous measures significantly impacting our students, parents, staff and commu-

this crucial time. There ISD receives full representation in both the House of Representatives and the Senate, we hereby request that a special election be called as early as possible."

The earliest a special election could be held would be Saturday, Dec. 1.

MacArthur HS' José Díaz to hold Holiday Latin Jazz Fest

his Diaz Music Institute is organizing the 1st Annual Holiday Latin Jazz Fest, which will take place Thanksgiving weekend at Jones Plaza in downtown Houston. Díaz invited the community to attend the family-friendly event. Tickets are currently available to purchase. Fest-goers can enjoy music and dance entertainment as well as Latin food selections and refreshments.

Díaz is the jazz band director at MacArthur High School. He has been molding musicians at Mac-Arthur HS since 1985. Díaz also works with stu-dents in Latin jazz at the Diaz Music Institute, a nonprofit he founded in

The MacArthur instructor has racked up plenty of recognition over the years. Texas Monthly (click to read full story) featured Díaz in the October 2017 issue He landed the No. 2. tures the "30 Things You Need to Know About Texas Music Scene in 2017."



José Antonio Díaz

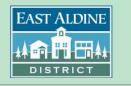
cited Díaz's passion for music education as well as his inspiring methods, which are "forming dynas-His former students include Grammy-winning Robert Martinez and Felix

percussionist who has backed Beyoncé, Jay-Z and Kanye West.

Díaz was named among the top 10 finalists for the 2017 Grammy Foundation's Music Educator Award (click to read full

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