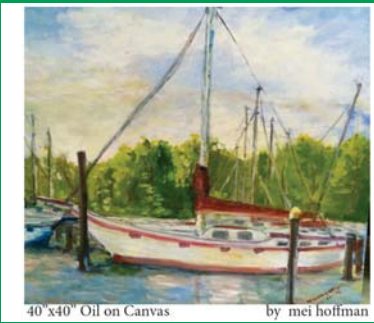


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Nadine Kujawa Senior Citizen Gala

Aldine Council of PTAs, Aldine ISD and Grandparents Raising Grandchildren presents this annual Senior Gala. Monday, December 10, 2018 from 10 am - 1 pm at M.O. Campbell Arena located at 1865 Aldine Bender, Houston, TX 77032. All seniors welcome (lunch will be provided). Please R.S.V.P. by December 7 to Shirley P. Reed at shirleyportier@gmail.com

Toy Drive & Open House

Aldine Family Hope Center is collecting new, unwrapped gifts for boys and girls ages newborn to 17 years old for Bucker Houston. Also in need of wrapping paper, tape, boxes, ribbon and bows. Drop location: 4700 Aldine Mail Rt. OPEN HOUSE, December 11 from 11 am - 1 pm.

Mayor and County Judge announce final round of Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund grants

HOUSTON - The Hurricane Harvey Relief Fund is disbursing its final round of grants for aid and services to local flood victims, bringing the total of distributed charitable donations to \$113.6 million to assist about 190,000 households through 124 experienced and carefully selected non-profit organizations.

The fifth and final round of \$3 million is going to 17 non-profits groups that will provide furniture, cash assistance and other basic needs and case management to qualified victims.

The Fund was established by Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner and Harris County Judge Ed Emmett in 2017 to provide immediate, medium and long-term disaster relief. It is administered by the Greater Houston Community Foundation.

"The effects of Harvey will be felt for years to come," added County

LOCAL AGENCIES THAT RECEIVED FUNDS, with totals received:

- Aldine Education Foundation, \$520,125
- BakerRipley, \$13,800,000
- Habitat for Humanity, \$2,400,000
- Houston LISC, \$17,000,000
- Lee College Foundation, \$10,000
- North Channel Assistance Ministries, \$1,000,000
- Northwest Assistance Ministries, \$4,860,328
- San Jacinto College Foundation, \$100,000
- Sheldon ISD, \$60,500
- Salvation Army, \$660,000
- YMCA, \$245,000
- YWCA, \$4,548,324

Judge Ed Emmett. "These local nonprofit grantees have strong track records of supporting our communities. We're confident that they can make a real difference in the longer term."

"It's been over a year since Harvey, but there is

still work that needs to be done to help people get back on their feet," Mayor Turner said. "This last round of funding strengthens our communities and supports recovery across the city."

In preparation for this round of grant making, the Fund surveyed organizations based in the hardest hit communities to determine remaining needs. The Fund also reviewed published studies, and distributions by other charity funds, to ensure the final round has maximum effect.

"It was also important to review the progress of Round 3 and Round 4 grantees to identify challenges in service delivery and determine the support needed for Round 5 grant recommendations," said Renee Wizig-Barrios, senior vice president and

See Flood Relief Funds, Page 8

Early voting set for Senate candidates

Early voting has started in Harris County, for a candidate to replace Sylvia Garcia in the state Senate, District 6. Candidates include Democratic State Representatives Ana Hernandez and Carol Alvarado, Democrat Mia Mundy, and Republican Martha Fierro.



Ana Hernandez, Carol Alvarado

The County Clerk has posted the following times and locations for Early Voting:

Hours of Operation
Unofficial - Pending Approval

December 3rd - December 7th
7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

VOTING LOCATIONS:

6. Galena Park Library
1500 Keene Street
Galena Park, TX 77547
7. John Phelps Courthouse
101 South Richey Street
Pasadena, TX 77506
8. Harris County Scarsdale Annex
10851 Scarsdale Boulevard
Houston, TX 77089

9. Baytown Community Center
2407 Market Street
Baytown, TX 77520

1. County Attorney Conference Center
1019 Congress
Houston, TX 77002

2. Moody Park Community Center
3725 Fulton Street
Houston, TX 77009

3. Ripley House Neighborhood Center
4410 Navigation Boulevard
Houston, TX 77011

4. HCCS Southeast College
6960 Rustic Street
Houston, TX 77087

5. Hardy Senior Center
11901 West Hardy Road
Houston, TX 77076

Texans look to move closer to AFC South title against Colts: Chicago's stout defense looks to slow down explosive Rams

The Friday after Thanksgiving was a sad one for the City of Houston and football fans in the Bayou City when it was announced that Texans owner and founder Bob McNair had passed away.

McNair will always be remembered for bringing the NFL back to Houston after the Oilers departed for Tennessee after the 1997 season. NFL owners wanted a franchise in Los Angeles to replace the Rams, who had moved to St. Louis, but McNair outbid LaLa Land and the Texans were born. My wife Sharon and I attended the downtown rally in September of 2000 for the unveiling of the Texans logo. The mood that day was full of joy and happiness because Houston was getting the NFL back and we all had Mr. McNair to thank. He and his family moved to H-town in



1960 and he became huge fan of the city and its sports franchises, especially the Oilers.

But Mr. McNair was more than just a shrewd and successful businessman and NFL owner; he was a generous person who, along with his wife Janice, donated approximately \$500 million to worthy causes in the city. He did not appear to be an intrusive owner like Jerry Jones (full disclosure, I am a huge Dallas Cowboys fan, but even I get weary of Jerry's antics

at times), but you can be sure he knew what was going on with his franchise and worked behind the scenes with his management team and his head coaches.

Since his death, it has been widely reported that Mr. McNair's ultimate dream was to bring a Super Bowl title to his adopted home town and what a perfect tribute that would be if this year's Texans could bring a Lombardi Trophy home in February.

This city owes Mr. McNair a huge debt of gratitude for having

the vision to return the NFL to Houston. Rest in Peace, sir.

Now that the college season has wrapped up, we will focus on the NFL until the bowl season begins later this month. This week, the Texans will look to extend their lead in the AFC South when they host the red-hot Indianapolis Colts on Sunday at NRG Stadium. The Colts entered last week's game against Jacksonville riding a five-game winning streak. This game will feature two of the league's hottest teams as the Texans won their eighth straight two weeks ago when they defeated Tennessee 34-17 on Monday Night Football. If they beat an improving Cleveland team last Sunday, the Texans would enter this game riding a nine-game

See Explosive NFL, page 5

Houston Mayor and labor leaders stand with Ana Hernandez



ANA HERNANDEZ: "Early voting is finally here! We have a chance to elect new leadership in the Texas Senate that will continue the fight for a living wage, full-day pre-k in schools, affordable health care for all, DREAMERS, the programs our veterans deserve, and prepare Texans for good-paying jobs. As our campaign ramps up for the finish line, I'm honored to have the support of Mayor Sylvester Turner and labor leaders."

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Stadium Seating
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Stadium Seating
* CREED III (PG-13) 12:00pm, 3:00pm, 6:00pm, 9:00pm
Spanish Subtitled; Stadium Seating
* RALPH BREAKS THE INTERNET (PG) 12:30pm, 6:30pm
Stadium Seating
* RALPH BREAKS THE INTERNET (PG) 12:00pm, 5:10pm
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* RALPH BREAKS THE INTERNET in Disney Digital 3D (PG) 3:30pm, 9:15pm
Stadium Seating
* RALPH BREAKS THE INTERNET in Disney Digital 3D (PG) 2:30pm, 7:50pm
Spanish Dubbed; Stadium Seating
* ROBIN HOOD (PG-13) 12:00pm, 3:30pm, 6:30pm, 9:30pm
Stadium Seating
FANTASTIC BEASTS: The Crimes of Grindelwald (PG-13) 12:00pm, 6:00pm
Stadium Seating
* FANTASTIC BEASTS: The Crimes of Grindelwald 3D (PG-13) 3:00pm, 9:00pm
Stadium Seating

INSTANT FAMILY (PG-13) 12:45pm, 3:30pm, 6:15pm, 9:00pm
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WIDOWS (R) 12:15pm, 3:15pm, 6:15pm, 9:15pm
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DR. SEUSS' THE GRINCH (PG) 12:00pm, 4:30pm, 9:00pm
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NOBODY'S FOOL (R) 12:15pm, 2:45pm, 5:20pm, 8:00pm
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SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS

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Successful children workshop

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Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner delivers remarks at Hoffman MS 'Dare to Dream Big' rally



Mayor Sylvester Turner talks to students at Hoffman Middle School at 'Dare to Dream Big' rally last Friday.

Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner delivered remarks at Hoffman Middle School on Friday, Nov. 30 at the school's "Dare to Dream Big" rally. Hoffman Middle School eighth graders and YES Prep Hoffman eighth graders attended the event, along with Aldine ISD and YES Prep administrators and members of the community. Pictured with Mayor Turner were Aldine ISD Superintendent Dr. LaTonya M. Goffney, left, and YES Prep CEO Mark DiBella, right. The Mayor shared with the students his life story how he rose from humble beginnings to earn a law degree, serve in the Texas House of Representatives and now presides as Mayor of the fourth largest city in the United States. "Dream big and big things can happen to you,"



Aldine ISD Superintendent LaTonya Goffney greets Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner during the rally.

Mayor Turner said. "I am looking at you to make a difference. I want all of you to dream big. When we dream high, big things happen." Hoffman Middle

School Principal Jeana Morrison-Adams and YES Prep Hoffman School Director Chase Sander organized the event.

Aldine ISD joins mission to introduce students to computer science

Computers are everywhere, changing every industry on the planet, but only 35% of all high schools teach computer science. Girls and minorities are severely underrepresented in computer science classes, and in the tech industry. Good news is, we're on our way to change this.

With the Hour of Code, computer science has been on homepages of Google, MSN, Yahoo!, and Disney. Over 100 partners have joined together to support this movement. Every Apple Store in the world has hosted an Hour of Code. Even President Obama wrote his first line of code as part of the campaign.

That's why every one of the 40,000 elementary and middle students in Aldine ISD are joining in on the largest learning event in history: The Hour of Code,

during Computer Science Education Week (December 3-9).

Middle school computer science students will travel to some elementary schools across the district to teach coding to students in 1st-5th grades.

December 4th: Caraway Elementary and Conley Elementary

December 5th: Harris Elementary and Stephens Elementary

December 6th: Marcella Elementary and Parker Elementary

This will take place from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm each day in the campus libraries.

The Hour of Code, organized by the nonprofit Code.org and over 100 others, is a global movement that believes the students of today are ready to learn critical skills for 21st-century success.

HCC student rises from homelessness to documentary producer

HOUSTON (Nov. 26, 2018) - Using her own experience with life on the streets, a Houston Community College student has produced a documentary she hopes will create understanding and compassion for America's homeless.

Justice Butler's documentary, "Invisible," shares the stories of students who once found themselves without homes and focuses on their harrowing experiences, and the lessons they learned. "It's called 'Invisible' because that's how we see the homeless," Butler explains. "But those people aren't invisible. They could be you tomorrow. That's the message I want people to receive."

Butler believes she is the perfect person to deliver that message. As a young woman, she envisioned a bright career in radio and entertainment. "I thought I knew my future," Butler says.

Instead, she fell on hard times. Butler ran out of money, out of food, out of shelter. "Turns out I didn't know my future," Butler recalls. "I became homeless."

Butler lived in despair, but never completely lost faith in herself. Friends, former HCC students, convinced her to enroll at the college. "So, that's what I did," Butler says.

"I came to HCC and that's where this journey started for me."

Butler's journey took her to film classes at HCC and a conference on student homelessness at Temple University in Philadelphia. She learned her situation was not unique. So, with encouragement from an HCC professor and fellow students, she decided to make a documentary about student homelessness.

Butler says, "I'm not the only student who struggled. There were many homeless students who attended HCC, as well as other colleges throughout the nation."

Butler says the documentary was well-received at a Temple University screening and is being entered in film festivals. She hopes to schedule public screenings early next year. Butler plans to graduate from HCC in May, 2019 and views "Invisible" as her legacy to inspire other homeless students to make the most of their talents.

"I really want to make sure that when I leave, we have students more involved in shaping their lives," Butler says. "We know what we need and 'Invisible' allows others to see what we need as well."

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Holiday Plants in the Home

It's that time again - and if you brought home a plant to decorate the home, you'll want it perky and thriving for the next few weeks at least. So here are a few tips that may help. The two biggest factors that will be issues are over-watering and dry inside air. That sounds like a contradiction! You can kill more plants by over-watering than by rarely watering; they just don't like sitting in water-logged soil if they're designed for life in pots. Plants DO breathe, and if the air they live in is too dry, they can't suck in enough moisture for their good health, and the ambient air will draw moisture out of them to boot. To address the air humidity, set the plants near water, or perhaps in a lovely glass bowl filled with pebbles, with water up to, but not touching, the bottom of the pot.

Next, we need care for the newly purchased or gifted plant. Due to the season, they come in a decorative basket with a foil outer layer, wrapped in ribbon. They are moving from greenhouses in optimum conditions for color to our homes with varying light conditions, humidity levels, and temperature variations. Try to place them in bright light, but ideally not in a window. Heat from the sun hitting the glass will shorten the life of the plant. Check the water level daily at first so you can establish a watering schedule. After a few days in your home, the top of the soil will be fairly dry, and may even start to pull away from the edge of the pot. If this is the case, remove the plant from its foil packaging, run about a cup of water through the growing medium, and let it fully

ly drain (no dripping from the bottom) before you replace it into the foil basket. Unless the growing medium is very thin and porous, you shouldn't need to water more than once a week, perhaps only every other week. After the holidays, report any plants you want to save. Like it was just noted, the growing medium in greenhouse grown plants is usually not suited for long-term survival for plants. You may be able to successfully keep plants alive in pots, but you need to give them better soil to work with. Poinsettias are well-known for having lousy long-term survival, but it's due more to what they were grown in at the greenhouse. Cheap, easy, and fast kind of describes the drive for poinsettia growth by commercial growers, so if you want your baby poinsettia to survive, give it something worth wiggling its roots in.

Do you have a Christmas cactus that survived from last year? Christmas cactus and poinsettias can stay in pots or be planted outside in protected areas. Planting in the ground in a protected area means southern exposure; these plants can freeze, so wait till spring for this project. If repotting needs to be done, plant them in loose soil, with a lot of organic matter, and make sure they can drain. The cactus, like poinsettias, set blooms according to light cycles, and need total darkness for 10-12 hours a day for blooming. The cactus needs this light blockage beginning about September 1, and the poinsettia about October 1 for blooming at Christmas. Once the buds form on the cactus, or the red starts forming on the

poinsettia, they can be treated to your home's regular light schedule. And if you do put the poinsettia in the ground, you may want to pinch it back a few times during the year to have it branch more. Poinsettias will grow in this area to over 6 feet, and they will need that darkness to bloom, so keep them away from the porch lights or plan on covering them with something to give them total darkness. Gloxinias and cyclamen are popular this time of year. Think African violet soil mix for these. Kalanchoe and Christmas cactus take a sandier soil. They also need less watering than most of the holiday group. Bromeliads take their liquids in the cup, thank you very much. Rainwater or distilled water is ideal. All of these plants mentioned so far can do well all summer long in very shady areas of your porch or yard, except for the poinsettia, which will take all the sun it can get.

Bulbs, like the narcissus and amaryllis, can go directly into your flower beds. The narcissus usually naturalizes, and the amaryllis nearly always does. Leave the green stuff, but you can cut the flower stem off. A light bulb fertilizer application during the year will be enough to take care of their needs. You can also just plant them in the pot into the flower bed, and dig up the pot next winter to bring them indoors, if you prefer.

You may have leftover mums from Thanksgiving; they do amazingly well in the ground after they bloom. Cut the stems down to about 2". They will bloom and spread.

3 ways to give back this holiday season

(StatePoint) Want to give back this holiday season? There are many ways to get into the charitable spirit. And if you need some inspiration for how to go about benefiting those in your local and global community, consider the following ideas.

Serve a Holiday Meal

Food is one of the most fundamental ways to show you care, and, delicious food and the holidays go hand-in-hand. Consider serving a warm holiday meal to someone who needs it.

There are many ways to do this, such as preparing a meal at home and delivering it to a sick or elderly neighbor, inviting a colleague or friend who doesn't have family in the area to your home for a holiday meal, or volunteering in a food pantry to serve a meal to other members of your community. If these efforts are not possible, look for a canned food drive near you and pick up some extra groceries to donate when shopping.

Give Access to Safe Water

Give a gift to a loved one this season that's not only thoughtful for him or her, but also benefits the community at large. One great way to do that is through the gift of water. Due to microplastics and other common water contaminants, safe drinking water is not necessarily a given these days. However, you can provide some-

one you love with at-home and on-the-go access to safe drinking water with a LifeStraw water filtration product.

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them with safe drinking water.

Give Life

Did you know that the simple act of donating blood can save a life? Indeed, one pint of blood is all that's needed to save three lives, according to America's Blood Centers. Make an appointment at a local blood bank. It takes just about 10 minutes, and afterwards you can feel good about the potential difference you've made.

Another way you can be a life saver is by ensuring you are a registered organ donor. Use the holiday season as an opportunity to add your name to the National Donate Life Registry.

Before stringing lights or adding tinsel to the tree, you can truly get into the holiday spirit by finding meaningful ways to give back.

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Holiday in the Gardens and Winter Plant Sale at Mercer

Celebrate the holiday season with music, food, crafts, shopping, and more during Holiday in the Gardens Saturday, Dec. 8 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Mercer Botanic Gardens.

This family-oriented event offers a holiday market, winter plant sale, and a Children's Corner. Attractions include face painting, a visit from Santa, and holiday-themed crafts. Entrance is free, and children's activities are available while supplies last. Food, drinks, and

holiday gifts are available for purchase.

Volunteers are needed! Anyone who would like to volunteer or has questions can contact Mercer's Volunteer Coordinator Jamie Hartwell at jhartwell@hcp4.net. New volunteers must complete a volunteer application, available at www.hcp4.net/mercer/volunteering.

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winning streak. Pretty good for a team most of us left for dead after they lost their first three games of the season.

Other key games will feature Philadelphia visiting Dallas hoping to remain alive in the NFC East race, while the Cowboys will be looking to dampen the defending Super Bowl champ's playoff chances.

Before we take a look at those games and a host of others, let's review last week's record. An 8-4 week brought the season record to 92-60 (61%).

NFL

Jacksonville at Tennessee - These two teams are playing for next season as their playoff hopes are pretty much finished. Things are so bad in Jacksonville that starting quarterback Blake Bortles has been benched and the team fired its offensive coordinator following their 24-21 loss at Buffalo two weeks ago.

Carolina at Cleveland - Don't laugh, but the Browns are in the playoff picture and could be building something special as all of those top draft choices are beginning to produce.

yards, 17 TDs) threw four touchdowns in a 35-20 pasting of the Bengals in Cincinnati. The Browns have found a running game with fellow rookie Nick Chubb (663 yards, 8 TDs). The Panthers have a pretty fair runner themselves in second-year man Christian McCaffrey (757 yards rushing, 71 receptions, 608 yards, 10 total TDs) who had a huge day two weeks ago in the Panthers' 30-27 loss at home to Seattle.

New England at Miami - The Patriots get away from the December cold of New England and head to South Beach to take on a Dolphins team that is clinging to life in the AFC playoff hunt. Two weeks ago, the Patriots won a hard-fought game in the New Meadowlands and downed the Jets 27-13.

Baltimore at Kansas City - The Baltimore Ravens will try and slow down the potent Kansas City offense (good luck with that!) when they visit KC on Sunday. Two weeks ago, the Ravens picked up a 34-17 win over the Raiders to keep their fledgling playoff hopes alive, but they face a much tougher task



this Sunday when they take on Patrick Mahomes (3,628 yards, 37 TDs), Kareem Hunt (824 rushing yards, 14 total TDs), wide receiver Tyreek Hill (65 receptions, 1,106 yards, 11 TDs) and tight end Travis Kelce (67 receptions, 914 yards, 7 TD). Baltimore has a good defense, but will they be good enough to slow down this juggernaut of an offense? Probably not.

Indianapolis at Houston - As mentioned earlier, this game features two of the hottest teams in the league. The Colts have rebounded nicely after a couple of down years because quarterback Andrew Luck (3,112 yards, 32 TDs) is back to his old self after missing the last two seasons with a shoulder injury.

Miller, who rushed for 162 yards and ripped off a 97-yard touchdown run in the Texans' 34-17 win over Tennessee two weeks ago. This should be a high-scoring game, but I'm going with the Texans who seem to be putting together a very special season.

New Orleans at Tampa Bay - Drew Brees (3,135 yards, 29 TDs) and the Saints travel to Tampa to take on a Buccaneers team that has played better the last few weeks. They'd better bring their "A" game on Sunday or this one will be over quickly.

Pittsburgh at Oakland - The Steelers hit the road for the second time in three weeks to face their third straight AFC West foe with hopes of faring better than they did two weeks ago when they lost at Denver, 24-17.

strikes to wide receivers JuJu Smith-Schuster (77 receptions, 1,55 yards, 4 TDs) and Antonio Brown (71 receptions, 874 yards, 11 TDs). In the Denver loss, Rothlisberger and Schuster connected for a 97-yard scoring play and look for more big things from those two on Sunday.

Philadelphia at Dallas - The Eagles may have saved their season two weeks ago with a come-from-behind win over the Giants. The win brought their record to 5-6, just a game behind the NFC East leading Cowboys, who had to play New Orleans last Thursday. There's a very good chance these two teams will both be 6-6 when they meet on Sunday afternoon at AT&T Stadium as the Eagles hosted Washington last Monday night.

Los Angeles Rams at Chicago - This one will feature one of the league's best offenses against one of the league's best defenses when the Rams visit the Bears on what should be a chilly night in Chicago for the Sunday Night Football crew.

game last week against the Giants with 34 sacks. The LA offensive line will have the tough task of holding off Khalil Mack and his mates. The Chicago offense should have some chances to take advantage of a so-so LA defense. Look for quarterback Mitch Trubisky (2,469 yards, 20 TDs) to employ speedy running back Tarik Cohen (284 yards rushing, 47 receptions, 503 yards, 6 total TDs) in the passing game and get some one-on-one matchups with the Rams linebackers.

Minnesota at Seattle - A key game for both teams and their NFC playoff hopes has the Vikings visiting the surprising Seahawks on Monday Night Football. Two weeks ago, Russell Wilson (2,531 yards, 25 TDs) led Seattle to a huge road win at Carolina, while Kirk Cousins (3,289 yards, 22 TDs) led the Vikings to a nice home win over the Packers on Sunday Night Football.

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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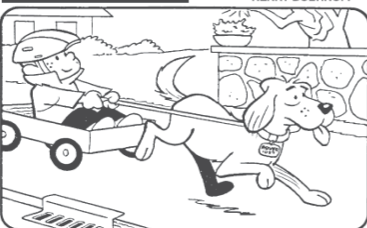
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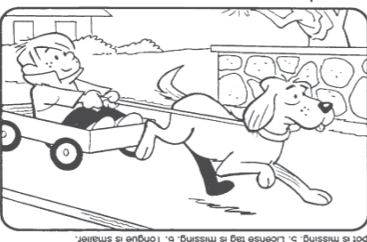
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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



1. World War II; 2. Canada; 3. Abraham Lincoln statue at the Lincoln Memorial; 4. Anemone; 5. "The Shining"; 6. The rubber band; 7. Vatican City as an independent state; 8. Water turns to blood; 9. Andrew Johnson; 10. "Beauty and the Beast"

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- ACROSS 1 Yard activities 6 Measuring device 11 Wig 12 Show up 14 Hang around 15 Vocalist 16 Big bother 17 Formal pronouncements 19 Yoko of music 20 Spill the beans 22 Bear hair 23 Coaster 24 Black-and-white movie, e.g. 26 90210, for one 28 Always, in verse 30 Mongrel 31 Sways from side to side 35 "Gone With the Wind" star 39 Look lasciviously 40 Three-man vessel? 42 Intend 43 Grazing area 44 Filleted 46 Suitable 47 Identify 49 Sarcastic remark 51 Stag's lack

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. HISTORY: In which war was the Battle of Midway fought? 2. GEOGRAPHY: Which country has the most natural lakes? 3. ART: What famous sculpture in Washington, D.C., was created by Daniel Chester French? 4. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What plant is also known as the windflower? 5. LITERATURE: In which of Stephen King's novels does the Overlook Hotel appear? 6. INVENTIONS: What item was invented in 1845 to hold papers together? 7. HISTORY: What did the Lateran Treaty of 1929 establish? 8. BIBLE: What was the first of the plagues of Egypt mentioned in the Book of Exodus? 9. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first U.S. president to be impeached? 10. MOVIES: Which movie carries the tagline "The most beautiful love story ever told"?

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By Wilson Casey

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3. When the wise men (Magi) arrived in the Holy Land, where did they go first? Jerusalem, Beersheba, Haifa, Tel Aviv

4. By what method did the shepherds learn of Christ's birth? New star, Angel appearance, Walking stranger, Donkey speaking

5. How many days after His birth was Jesus circumcised? 3, 8, 12, 40


6. What number of wise men (Magi) visited Christ? Undisclosed, 3, 4, 5

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Does not; 3) Jerusalem (Mat 2:1-2); 4) Angel appearance; 5) 8 (Luke 2:21); 6) Undisclosed

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