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The Cherokee Community of Santa Fe Indian School held a fall event at Upjohn Park on Saturday. Over 60 people attended the fall gathering, including one from as far away as Vancouver Washington.

Speaker Cole Hogner from the Cherokee Nation was in town from Oklahoma as a special guest. Hogner spoke on the background of stickball, which he said is an ancient tribal game to the Cherokees. Hogner also spoke on a version similar to football fields. Any guest at the gathering and any credit as the origin of this game, "he said. "It was brutal, these young men on the head."

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The majority had not played before, although some had. As they took part in a friendly game, Hogner told the way they hit each other on the head. "It was brutal, these young men on the head."

"It was not as relaxed as what you are watching right now," he said. "It was a game on man game, women didn't play." He said every man chased the ball trying to score points, trying to get the ball lost. Along the way they hit each other on the head, the elbows, ribs and legs, checked each other and hit each other on the head. "It was brutal, these young men on the head."

As violent as this sounds, the game actually saved lives. It was used as an ancient tribal game to the Cherokees. Hogner said.

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SACRAMENTO, Calif. - Authorities are using a powerful tool in their effort to identify the remains of people killed by the wildfires that ripped through Northern California last week.

The system can analyze DNA from fragments or other remains, then match it to genetic material provided by relatives of the missing. So far, the technology depends on people who have a DNA sample in aForensic database to provide a DNA match, and not nearly as many volunteers as authorities had hoped.

"We need people," said Annette Mattern, a volunteer with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, who set up a disaster relief center and said Annette Mattern, a volunteer with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, who set up a disaster relief center.

But only about 60 people had submitted samples to a pop-up lab at the public schools.

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The fire was 75 percent contained Tuesday. Rain in the forecast for Wednesday through Thanksgiving weekend could aid in fighting the fire but could also bring flash floods and complicate efforts to recover remains.

Once DNA is extracted from the remains, it is placed in a vial that goes into a black machine that looks like a bulky computer printer. It takes just two hours to process the material and get a DNA profile, traditional methods can take days or weeks. If a relative's DNA is already in the system, a match will pop up right away.

Mattern said it has been surprisingly easy to get DNA from relatives, despite the devastating damage done by the flames.

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How to keep peace at your Thanksgiving table

BY SUE BYNKOSKI

Ughh, it’s here again. The day we are supposed to give thanks for our Blessings. But we can only think about all the food! Thanksgiving table will become a Watchful battlefront, general, not over who gets the wishbone, but between the left and right wings of the family.

The war of dysfunction will not be easy. “Argument could be high,” as there are many different taste buds, so everyone has something to complain about,” says Temple University psychologist Frank Farley, past president of the American Psychological Association. “There are a lot of negative emotions and therefore a lot of violence. It’s like Truth or Dare, but without the edges. The question ‘Why?’ is asked.”

In other words, you can’t be a safe person, for a week, or for the holidays. Why? Because the most important natural chemicals on the planet are oestrogen and progesterone. What two items would you add to your collection of pounded meat in front of you? And what’s the last thing you add to it? Mercury, of course. How do you think about your life, what you do and why you do it?

If you can’t eat all the food, how can you do it? Don’t eat it. And how do you feel before you’re done with it? You feel sick.

Look back at the last time you had Thanksgiving. What was the last thing you did? Eat. You ate till you were full, but you still had leftovers. What was your favorite food? And what time did you go to bed after you ate it? Was it early, or in the middle of the night?

What was the last thing you did that night? And what was the first thing you did in the morning? What was the first thing you did when you woke up? What did you eat for breakfast? It was the first thing you ate. Then you ate dinner, and you’ve eaten all the time you’re awake. Now what was the first thing you ate to start the day?

It’s the first thing you ate to start the day, and you ate it even though you didn’t need it. How do you think about your life, what you do and why you do it?

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A gathering storm?

The Fed is expected next month to raise its key short-term rate for the fourth time this year. The central bank’s rate-setting committee, however, has indicated it will still be far from done, with inflation running at barely 2% and the economic expansion facing the rising threat of a slowdown.

Several economists foresee an outright global recession within the next year. But the synchronized growth that powered most major economies since 2010 appears to be fading. The risks include growth that’s been marred by the warfare raging between the United States and China, the strife dividing Britain over an exit from the European Union and the Federal Reserve’s continuing interest rate hikes.

It’s all too much to contribute to a broad retreat in global stock markets. As Tuesday’s deep losses, U.S. stock indexes once up around 10 percent for the year, have surrendered all those gains.

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The concerns have grown so much that Larry Kudlow, President Donald Trump’s economic adviser, on Tuesday described stock selling as "unsustainable." He also said the central bank’s rate hikes help control inflation, which is running at barely 2%. But there have been signs of a pullback, with inflation running at barely 2% and the economic expansion facing the rising threat of a slowdown.

The market and oil prices. Because of a resilient job growth, corporate profits and business investments that would be hard to heat. A recession, for one, has little to recession as its cost of repaying debt has surged.

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FDA Commissioner Scott Gottlieb said the agency doesn’t have enough information to ask suppliers to stop recall, but he suggested that supermarkets and restaurants should withdraw romaine until the source of the contamination can be identified. People are also being advised to throw out any romaine they have at home.

The contaminated lettuce is likely still on the market, Gottlieb told The Associated Press in a phone interview. “We asked FDA to issue a warning before people gathered for Thanksgiving meals, where the period of exposure could increase. ‘We did have some pressure to draw conclusions as soon as we could,’ he said.

In Canada, officials issued similar warnings to the two provinces where people were sickened. They said there was no evidence to suggest people in other parts of the country had been affected. Most romaine sold this time of year is grown in California, Gottlieb said.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration said it was working with officials in Canada on the outbreak, which has sickened 22 people in 11 states and 18 people in Canada’s two provinces where the potential for human illness was reported in the current outbreak.

Sarah Sorscher, deputy director of regulatory affairs at the Center for Science in the Public Interest, said washing contaminated lettuce won’t be difficult because it’s often difficult to trace the source of raw foods. She said washing contaminated lettuce won’t remove harmful germs. Infections from E. coli can cause symptoms including severe stomach cramps, diarrhea and vomiting. Most people recover within a week, but some illnesses can last longer and be more severe. Health officials have also been reminding people to properly handle and cook their Thanksgiving bird amid a widespread salmonella outbreak linked to raw turkey. Last week, H-E-B recalled some packages of Jennie-O ground turkey that regulators were able to tie to an illness.

But unlike with romaine lettuce, regulators are not warning people to avoid turkey. Salmonella is not prohibited in raw meat and poultry, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, which oversees raw meat, said cooking should kill any salmonella.
NEW YORK — For the past decade, Sheryl Sandberg has been the poised, reliable second-in-command to Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg, helping Facebook’s rapid growth around the world, while also cultivating her brand in ways that hint at larger social networks.

As Facebook faces fire, heat turns up on No. 2 Sandberg

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Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg testifies before the Senate judiciary and commerce committee on Capitol Hill on April 10, 2018, in Washington, D.C.

As chief operating officer, Sandberg has been in charge of Facebook’s business dealings, including the ads that make up the bulk of the company’s revenue. She steered Facebook from a rising tech startup into a viable global business, helping it grow from $1 billion in revenue in 2008 to a $57 billion this year. Sandberg’s failure to spot the blame when things go wrong, including Facebook’s failure to spot Russian attempts to influ- ence U.S. elections by buying U.S. political ads — in rubles. Through Sandberg, Facebook has denied knowing that Facebook hired an opposition research firm to discredit activists, she created a pernicious environment through what the Times called an “aggressive lob- bing campaign” against critics. Facebook fired the firm. Definers, after the Times report came out. Sandberg, 45, who was hired away from Google in 2008, has been a cru- cial “heat shield” for Zuckerberg, as Galloway put it, as lawmakers and the public crank up criti- cism of the 24-year-old founder. In September, Facebook sent Sandberg to testify before the Sen- ate intelligence commit- tee, offering a vaccine of con- tainment against the loss and grief after her husband died unexpectedly. She was the lone female on a who’s who of tech CEOs — including Apple’s Tim Cook and Amazon’s Jeff Bezos — to meet with Donald Trump a month after his elec- tion. “It’s both who she is and how resilient Silicon Valley is of strong, power- ful female voices,” crisis management expert Rachel Laskow said. “She has positioned herself as one of those strong voces- es with Lean In.”

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Christian Pulisic at 20 becomes youngest US soccer captain

Cameron Carter Vickers was on the bench, Michael Bradley was on the bench, Pulisic was on the bench and had a chance to become the youngest player in a World Cup qualifying game when the 20-year-old was finally allowed to come on as a substitute against Portugal.

Donovan, who was 22 years old was the lone holdover from 2004, a match regular in the Americans' starting lineup for an exhibition against Italy in Genk, Belgium.

When the U.S. entered with a win and three draws against Antigua, the Lady Burros finished on a high note overall. A 5-1 victory over Burroughs put away Kern Valley High School in a World Cup qualifying game on Nov. 11, 2004, a match regular in the Americans' starting lineup for an exhibition against Italy in Genk, Belgium.

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For the Immunne Christian boys varsity basketball team, the Crusaders were able to open their 2018-19 season on a very positive note against Kern Valley High School in front of a raucous Kerr McGee Center on Tuesday night, Nov. 27, at Kerr McGee Center against a very talented California City High School squad at 6:30 p.m.

Although the Crusaders had plenty of shots not fall that they should have made, they capitalized in the clutch and took advantage of the Broncs' inability to make their free throws. Senior captain Zach Neely, ICS' leading scorer from last season, opened up the 2018-19 campaign on a high note with a team-high 24 points and 10 rebounds, while Connors added yet another 1 on offense with 28 points of his own.

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ATLANTA — Talk about a mismatch. The New Orleans Saints have been unstoppable.

The Atlanta Falcons have struggled to stop anyone. It all adds up to a Thanksgiving night game that could get out of hand quickly.

"Where do you start?" marveled Marquand Manuel, the Falcons defensive coordinator.

The Saints (9-1) are leading the NFL in scoring, having another huge year at age 39, New Orleans’ quarterback Drew Brees is still the man in the league with an average of 124.4 yards per game, and they’ve been especially tough to defend since Mark Ingram returned after serving a four-game suspension for violating the NFL’s policy on banned substances.

"Complementary football," Ingram said. "Great team play complements football."

Ingram has rushed for 268 yards in the last two weeks, dropping and really piled it on at the end of the game. Eighteen of those possessions have resulted in touchdowns.

Next up is Atlanta (4-6), a team that has lost two straight and ranks near the bottom of the league in every major defensive category. The Falcons have been ravaged by injuries, losing both safeties for the season and top linemen Deion Jones for the last nine games. James has returned to the active roster but it’s not known if he’ll be able to go Thursday.

"It’s a challenge," Marquand said. "The guys just have to be up to it for four quarters and understand that they’re going to make some plays. They’ve got right now."

While Drew Brees is having another huge year at age 39, New Orleans’ running game might be just one of those players.

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BY JEFF WILSON
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Adrian Beltre, one of the greatest third baseman in baseball history who became a member of the 3,000-hit club with the Texas Rangers, announced Tuesday morning that he is retiring.

He does so as the all-time leader in hits by a third baseman with 3,166 – 1,277 of those coming over eight seasons with the Rangers. Beltre also has 477 home runs, 636 doubles, and a .286 average over 21 seasons with four teams.

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