Twenty bucks admission plus some Christmas cash for the gift drawing buy you a high-energy evening — raffle and live auction! Dave Lieber’s take on Amon Carter Leroy Wilson’s barbecue! — Wednesday, Dec. 5, at the MET Building, UNT Health Science Center. You should come just for a chance to win a Mary Dulle pie (one prize among many). If you’re in a giving mood — hey, ’tis the season — JPS needs bilingual children’s books for its waiting rooms. Bring English-to-Spanish kid lit (no romance novels, please) to donate to the hospital’s readers library. RSVP to Kay Pirtle at pirtlemk@yahoo.com. Map. 

QUICK HITS
• First Amendment Awards application announced — received-by deadline Jan. 7. Info.
• Texas Gridiron Scholarship application announced — received-by deadline Feb. 1. Info.
• Bobbie Wygant conversation and memoir signing, “Talking to the Stars: Bobbie Wygant’s Seventy Years in Television” — 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4, Tandy Lecture Hall at the Fort Worth Central Library, 500 W. 3rd St.; no admission charge, but seating limited to 150. Info.
• GPV PRSA holly jolly happy hour ($5) — 5:30-7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4, Branch & Bird rooftop bar, 640 Taylor St.
• Texas Center for Community Journalism workshop on growing your newspaper (limited to one publisher or editor per paper; no charge for Hyatt Place overnight stay) — 4 p.m.-4 p.m. Dec. 6-7. Info.
• Hispanic Communicators GPV scholarship luncheon — noon Saturday, Dec. 8, Meso Maya, 1611 McKinney Ave., Dallas. Info.

POWER TO THE PEOPLE
Regardless of the season, for Dallas Morning News Watchdog columnist Dave Lieber there’s always a parade of (blue) lights. To recap, recent “Blue Light Special” Sunday night Facebook live videos have included harsh criticism of AT&T, two super privacy tools to protect your family, a look at whether the feds can end robocalls in 2019, and his “P campaign” to force the Texas PUC to get tough on electricity company indiscretions. 

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Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas update: Aligning open government ideals with law enforcement provisions. The Texas Supreme Court will review a lower court decision that required prison officials to identify the pharmacy that supplied the state with execution drugs under a 2014 legal challenge. The state's highest civil court had rejected the case in June but reversed itself — a rarely granted move that came after lawyers for Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton argued that the effort to unmask the pharmacy was an attack on the death penalty that will jeopardize the continued availability of lethal-injection drugs. Oral arguments will be heard Jan. 23. Details.

How many times have UT students appealed Title IX sanctions to the President’s Office? That’s the question former Daily Texan reporter Will Clark was trying to answer late last year as he reported the story “Presidential Power,” which explains UT President Gregory Fenves’ unique power as the final decision-maker in appeals cases regarding student conduct. As part of his reporting, Clark, a radio-television-film junior, asked the university that question via an open records request, but the request was denied on the basis that confidential student information might be released in the process. Details.

In the workplace: get a job
Listings in journalismjobs.com and dfwcommunicators.com appear in this report. ... The San Antonio Express-News has an opening for a digital growth producer to update the website and report news — everything from immediate local stories to breaking news and enterprise reports — for mySA.com, expressnews.com and its network of websites and media platforms. Info.

Parkland Health & Hospital System needs a proactive and PR-savvy digital communications specialist to coordinate Parkland’s visibility, its mission and work in the community. Must have at least two years of social media, communications and/or public relations experience. Experience in digital image, video and audio editing a plus but not required. Must be comfortable learning new technology on the job. Info.

KTXS-TV in San Angelo has an opportunity for a multimedia journalist. Responsibilities include reporting, shooting and editing news stories, generating story ideas and producing daily content on a variety of platforms. Info.

The Dallas Morning News seeks an accomplished editor to head its award-winning six-reporter investigative team. In recent months the team has published, among other stories, “Pain & Profit” (companies prosper, kids suffer), “Time Bomb” (houses blow up because of gas leaks) and “They’re Gonna Kill Me” (an inmate is pepper sprayed and chokes to death). Info.

Texas Woman’s University seeks a PR manager for its Institute for Women’s Leadership and the institute’s three centers. Info.

United Press International seeks an experienced contract news photographer to visually document stories related to immigration and security. The photographer would work with the UPI reporter based in El Paso to shoot several assignments a month on both sides of the U.S.-Mexico border. Info.