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Midland, Odessa economies still booming

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All components of the Midland and Odessa economies were at full strength as 2012 came to a close.

"We certainly would have predicted a year ago" that the Midland-Odessa economies would grow in 2012, said Karr Ingham, the Amarillo economist who prepares the Midland-Odessa Regional Economic Index for the Midland Development Corp., Security Bank and the Reporter-Telegram. "But not perhaps some of the things we saw during the year."

The index at the end of 2012 was 12.4 percent higher than at the end of 2011, and Ingham said the index has risen more than 43 percent, an average of over 15 percent annually, in the current growth cycle. The December increase was the 34th consecutive month-to-month increase.

Mickey Cargile, founding and managing partner of Cargile Investments, said, "(Midland) continues to benefit from the increased drilling activity related to, first, higher oil prices and, second, advanced drilling and production technology. The higher economic numbers also reflect the higher cost of living driven by our strained infrastructure in this boom."

Jim Smitherman, chief executive officer of Security Bank, said after a slowdown during the holidays, his bank has noticed an increase in activity.

"The new budgets have kicked in, and we expect to be as busy as ever," Smitherman said. "I don't know how we'll meet the demand."

The Midland economy "has been phenomenal," said Patti Welch, MDC executive director.

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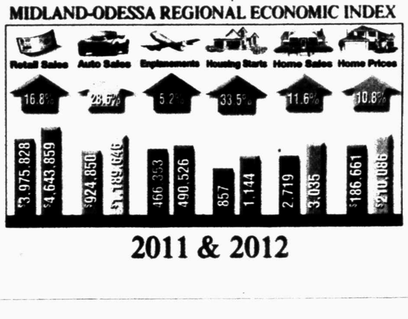

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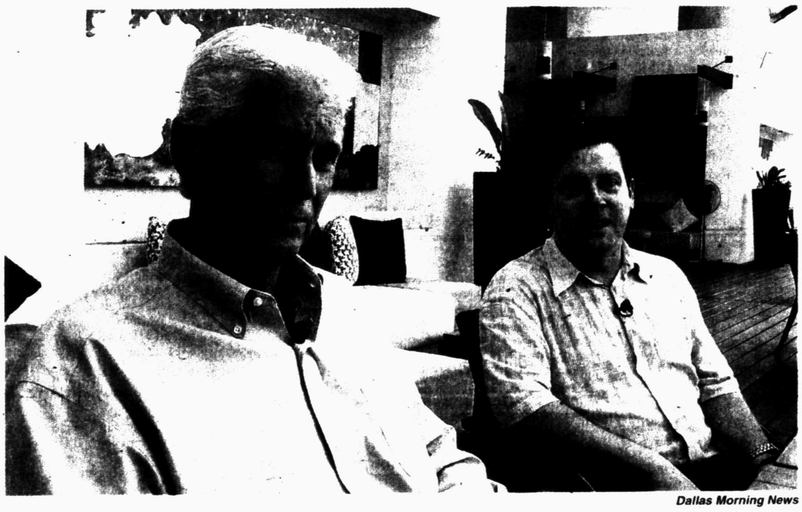

Dallas Morning News

North Texan Bruce Fry, left, and partner Collin Childress visit Nuevo Vallarta, Mexico, on Jan. 24 to explore prospects for developing medical tourism in Mexico.

Pair wants to make Mexico a hub for medical tourism

By Alfredo Corchado
The Dallas Morning News

NUEVO VALLARTA, Mexico — Bruce Fry fixes his gaze on the ocean and talks about his vision for the future of medical tourism on Mexico's Pacific Coast: patients from Texas and elsewhere in the U.S. finding a low-cost alternative to soaring medical prices for everything from knee replacements to heart surgery, then healing by the beach with their families.

Fry, of Carrollton-based Fry Construction, which builds medical facilities, and his partner, Collin Childress, are convinced that Americans, particularly baby boomers, will one day pay less for health care without having to fly to faraway India, Thailand, Malaysia or Brazil — popular current destinations for medical care.

They could hop on a plane and in two or three hours, especially if they fly from Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport be in Cozumel, Cancun or here on the shores of the Bahia de Banderas, just up the coast from Puerto Vallarta, with its airport and world-class medical facilities.

Fry and others say the vision isn't far from reality, but many obstacles remain.

"This could be a game changer for both countries because we're talking new income stream for Mexico, improving the overall tourism economy," he said. "But as a gringo from Dallas trying to make this a reality, getting there is too often like a dog chasing his tail."

It's been nearly 20 years since the signing of the North American Free Trade Agreement, which opened the border to increased trade in merchandise and services, among them medical care. But a plethora of restrictions remains, preventing Americans from cashing in on quality care that could be as much as 40 percent cheaper, Fry and others say.

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By the numbers

1 million

The number of Americans living in Mexico, many of them retirees.

1.6 million

The estimated number of Americans that actively seek health care abroad.

$4.1 million

The estimated amount that Americans spend abroad annually for health care.

Texas leaders stick to guns amid firearm crackdown

Associated Press

AUSTIN — The mass shooting at a Connecticut elementary school has sparked a federal effort to crack down on firearms. But in the Lone Star State — where packing heat is as much a part of a frontier image as the Alamo — lawmakers are sticking to their guns.

From gun rights, to guns in schools to telling the feds to keep their hands off Texans' weapons, there's no shortage of support in the state Capitol for the right to bear arms.

Some issues are new: Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst wants state-paid specials weapons and tactics training for school teachers. Others are old: Some bills would allow concealed handgun license holders to carry their weapons into college classrooms.

"And that's a good thing," said state Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson, who as a state representative wrote the state's concealed handgun law in 1995. "In Texas, we keep moving in the direction of liberty instead of regulation."

That liberty is exercised every day in the Capitol, where concealed handgun license holders are allowed to bypass metal detectors. Some lawmakers appear determined to broaden Texans' gun rights amid a push by the Obama administration to curb access to certain kinds of firearms.

Jumping to the forefront this session is the debate over school safety and whether having teachers and administrators carry concealed handguns to class will protect students from a rampaging shooter like one who killed 20 children and six adults at a Newtown, Conn., elementary school in December.

Texas law allows school districts to let some teachers and staff have concealed weapons in class, but only a few rural districts are known to use that option. At a special Senate hearing on school safety last week, officials from those districts said gun-toting teachers provide a critical

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Work, housing, transportation for blacks in the 1920s proved bleak

MIDLAND 101

By Jimmy Patterson

When blacks first settled Midland in the 1920s, they came for the work and a paycheck that was said to be higher than in other areas of the state. An article detailing African-Americans' struggles and triumphs published on July 4, 1985, as part of the Midland Reporter-Telegram's Centennial edition, also indicated that in some instances, blacks found work here that offered twice the salary as other areas.

The work was, of course, far from glamorous. Historian and teachers James Bradford said blacks were hired as domestic help or other jobs that paid little in comparison to the going salary of a white person who worked in the oil industry or business world.

"Most came to pick cotton," wrote Ethel Barnes in the Centennial edition article. "Blacks also came as ranch hands. They cooked, 'poked,' milked cows and ran errands."

"The first domestic helpers had to be invited to come to Midland," Bradford said. "Once here, they had to have a letter of introduction ready for their employers, which served as a means to identify them and to associate them with a white family."

If a black person was unable to produce documentation as to their identity, or if they were caught "loitering," they risked being thrown in jail.

Many served as maids and bellhops at downtown hotels, and many of the workers lived in the hotel basement because they didn't have a home. In the late '20s, blacks finally had a place they could call home. It was called "Ice Cream Alley," the first housing area solely for blacks.

"It was so named because it was in an alley that featured concessions, including an ice cream stand," Barnes wrote. "The black families lived behind the concession area, and the 'Alley' amounted to a group of four shacks located near downtown. Each house had two rooms and it was not uncommon to have multiple families dwelling in the same shack."

Like housing and a decent-paying job, transportation also was almost impossible to come by. Thelma Hubbard, 76 at the time she shared her memories with the newspaper, said blacks had to walk everywhere, and she had to walk two miles to and from work every day for a 50-cent a day job.

One of the first signs of entrepreneurialism in those days came when one local

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There's a bill to make **Internet gambling** legal across state lines. More on 7A.

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A bus crash injured **35 people** after it ran into a bridge. More on 6A.

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Gov. Rick Perry, right, joins in the Pledge of Allegiance during the annual Boy Scouts Parade and Report to State in the House Chambers at the Texas State Capitol on Saturday in Austin.

Speech reveals new Rick Perry

By Chris Tomlinson
Associated Press

Analysis

AUSTIN — What a difference a failed presidential campaign can make.

When Gov. Rick Perry gave his State of the State speech last week, what he didn't say was as remarkable as what he did. Compared to his 2011 address to the Legislature, this year's speech lacked the red meat that thrills hardcore conservatives. By Perry standards, it was almost moderate.

Missing were mentions of abortion, immigration or even the conservative topic du jour — gun rights. Instead Perry reversed his opposition on tapping the rainy day fund and even promised to work with the Obama Administration to "do our part to secure a brighter future for America."

When asked about the softer tone, Perry dodged.

"Well, if I gave a speech on everything that I'm interested in, we'd still be sitting there," Perry said two days later. "I thought it was deep, thoughtful, and far-reaching and could affect Texas for 50 years into the future."

The political context that shaped his speech, though, is more recent. President Barack Obama's victory in the 2012 presidential race — and Perry's personal drubbing in the Republican presidential primary — has led him and many other Republicans to drop the tea party rhetoric that was so popular in 2011.

As the state's chief executive, he sets the tone for all Texas Republicans. The new Republican moderation is most obvious when it comes to immigration.

In 2011, one of Perry's top priorities was a law requiring local law enforcement officers to aggressively enforce federal immigration laws while on patrol. Perry declared the bill "emergency legislation" and tea party politicians introduced nearly a dozen other bills to crack down on illegal immigrants.

But that was before Hispanics voted for Obama nearly 7-to-1. Since then, illegal immigration has disappeared from Republican talking points at the Texas Capitol. Texas House Speaker Joe Straus recently voiced support for immigration reform measures endorsed by the White House that included a pathway to citizenship for those already in the country illegally.

"I'm hearing a lot less divisive conversations about immigration and a lot more positive discussions about the work force, the economy and trying to keep things on track," Straus said. "I think you have to go back to the Republican (state) convention in June, before the election. There were a number of us that were understanding of the awkward position that many people in this party were taking."

The Republican leadership in Texas also appears ready to begin spending taxpayer dollars again, though they insist on calling them one-time investments. Perry has called for tapping the state's Rainy Day Fund to spend $2 billion on water infrastructure and $1.8 billion on roads. In total, he wants to take $4.8 billion out of the fund just two years after he signed a bill cutting $5.4 billion from public education.

Perry, Straus and other Republican leaders have all said the state's rebounding economy gives them the breathing room to fix problems they created by cutting $27 billion worth of government services from the state budget in 2011. Yet no Republican is talking about restoring the $5.4 billion cut from public schools, instead deciding to wait on a Travis County judge to rule on the constitutionality of the current finance system.

During the 2011 session, many Republicans privately griped about Perry's hardline, conservative stance as posturing for a presidential run. Now Austin's political class is trying to read between the lines of his recent speeches to find indications of his future plans.

Some see his willingness to expand state infrastructure as a sign that he is trying to build a legacy before retiring. Others see a savvy politician trying to reinvent himself before running for president again in 2016. Perry has said he will let everyone know his plans in June.

Obituaries

Ann M. O'Connor

Ann M. O'Connor passed away Feb. 1st 2013 in Waxahachie, TX at age 84. She was a Red Oak, TX resident since 2003, and lived in Midland, TX for many years. She was born December 1st 1928 in Scranton, PA to the late Patrick and Gertrude Kerrigan. She married Joseph D. O'Connor September 29th 1957. She graduated from Scranton High School and Lackawanna Business School. After moving to Midland, TX in 1975, she worked at Nickel Chrysler for many years and attended St. Ann's Catholic Church. She loved life and lived it to the fullest. She was quick-witted and had a great sense of humor. She could find the humor in any situation, and make everyone laugh; a great gift that will be truly missed. She was completely devoted to her family and loved her children, grandchildren, in-laws and extended family deeply. She was a very outgoing person that could strike up a conversation with anybody. She loved the Yankees and Notre Dame Football and she had a knack for always receiving the highest service for anything she wanted; nothing was out of reach.

She is preceded in death by her husband, and her granddaughter Kaitlin Danielle Credicott whom she loved with all her heart. She is also preceded in death by brothers and sisters: Eugene, Brendan, Margaret, Jack, Paul, and Gertrude.

She is survived in death by four children: Kevin O'Connor and Ginger (Rogers) O'Connor (Midland, TX) and grandchildren Erin, Eileen, Brendan, Alison; Ann O'Connor Fairbanks and Bruce Fairbanks (Red Oak, TX) and grandchildren Patrick, Kyle, Morgan; Mary O'Connor (Red Oak); Kathy O'Connor Credicott and Andy Credicott (Moore, OK) and grandchild Regan; sister Joan Kerrigan Quinlan of Scranton, PA, and many nieces and nephews, whom she loved dearly.

A Rosary prayer service will be held at Wayne Boze Funeral Home February 7th at 7:p.m. in the Pat Boze Memorial Chapel of Wayne Boze Funeral Home. Visitation for family and friends will begin at 6:00 p.m.

A Memorial Mass will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Waxahachie at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, February 8, 2013.
http://www.waynebozefuneralhome.com/

Latitia Glendena Burns

Latitia Glendena Burns (a.k.a., Pat), 82, of Midland and Houston, Texas died at home and went to be with her Savior on February 1, 2013.

Pat was born in Kanawa, Oklahoma on August 10, 1930 to Henry and Effie Gebhart. Her family later moved to Texas and Pat attended high school in Levelland. She met and fell in love with Sherril L. Burns at Andrews in 1949 where they began their life together. They moved to Midland the following year where she held the roles of wife, mother and assisting Sherril administratively as he began to build a welding business. She continued in these roles until Sherril's untimely death in 1969. She moved to Rockdale in 1971 then to Houston in 2001 and back to Midland in 2010. She resided in the Robert Lee Care Center for most of 2012 and recently was placed under Hospice care in Houston.

Pat had many interests and hobbies including quilting, sewing, ceramics, gardening, and collecting. She made a quilt that won first place in a competition sponsored by the Rockdale Quilting Guild. Pat collected coins, stamps, dolls, and various other items. She was fond of cooking and always wanting to try new recipes. During her children's growing up years she made most of the clothing for her daughter (including her wedding gown) and some for her sons - she was an exceptional seamstress whose work was of professional quality. She was an attentive mother and her support of the PTA resulted in her selection as a lifetime member. She loved to laugh and especially liked to spend time fellowshipping with friends and family. Pat was a member of the Lazybrook Baptist Church during her time in Houston and the Bellview Baptist Church while in Midland.

Pat is survived by three children (and their spouses) - Sherril L. (Scooter) Jr. and Elane Burns of Midland, Larry H. and Kim Burns of Midland, Sharon L. (Quita) and Keith Freeman of Houston; 12 grandchildren - Mande Brightwell, Tracy Avila, Nadalee Burns, Justin Francis, Preston Francis, Ashley Burns, Colby Burns, Aimee Barlow, Ira Freeman, Shannon Gifford, Tabitha Gifford and Aaron Gifford; 10 great grandchildren - Jordan, Ryan and Abby Brightwell; Lance, Dylan and Macey Builta; Avery and Wilson Barlow; Bede and Zollie Freeman.

She is predeceased by her beloved husband Sherril Lee Burns of Midland and four brothers - Jim Gebhart of Rockdale, Robert Gebhart, Alfred Gebhart of Henderson and Tommy Gebhart of California.

Funeral services will be held at the Lazybrook Baptist Church at 1822 W. 18th Street, Houston, Tx 77008 on Tuesday, February 5 from 10:00 to 11:00 AM with Pastor John Neesley officiating. Visitation is also scheduled at the Church, preceding the funeral services, from 9:00 to 10:00 AM. A private burial service will follow at the Val Verde Baptist Church cemetery in Milam County. Vazquez Funeral Home of Houston is making all of the arrangements.

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Death Notices

Becky Hughes Gaston

Becky Hughes Gaston, 75, of Big Spring, died Saturday, February 2, 2013, at her residence. Funeral services at 10:00 AM, February 5, 2013 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Visitation with family from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM, February 4, 2013, at the funeral home.

Survivors: Son, Larry Morrow of Odessa; stepson, Scott Hughes of Big Spring; stepdaughter, Jenny Acebedo of Abilene; brothers, Rickie Freeman, Jim Freeman and Randy Freeman all of the Dallas area; eight grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Arrangements directed by Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Jackie Hamilton

Jackie Hamilton,61, passed away. on February 1, 2013. Family will receive friends at Ellis Funeral Home on Monday, February 4, 2013 from 6pm to 8pm. Funeral services will be on Tuesday, February 5 at 2pm at the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel with Pastor Jeff Franklin officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, 322 Eight Avenue, 7th floor, New York, NY 10001.

Kenneth Ray Gaither

Kenneth Ray Gaither, 78, of Poteau, OK passed away February 1, 2013 in Fort Smith, AR.

Services February 5, 2013 at Evans Chapel of Memories. Interment at Oakland Cemetery in Poteau, OK

Survivors: Wife, Robbie Gaither, granddaughter, Gabrielle Robbins, daughter, Karen Robbins, Muskogee, OK, grandson, Zaven Isa, Oklahoma City, OK, great granddaughter, Zalie Isa, Muldrow, OK, several nieces and nephews. Sister-in-law Ruth Jenkins, Ft. Worth, TX. Friend Jeff and Debbie Luman. Preceded by parents Clifford and Bonnie Gaither, two sons Joe and Glen Gaither and one brother.

Arrangements directed by Evans & Miller Funeral Home, Poteau, OK.

Margaret Poulter

Margaret Faye Poulter passed away on Wednesday, January 30, 2013.

She is survived by her three children and their families.

The family will receive friends on Sunday, February 3, 2013 from 2:00-4:00p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held on Monday, February 4, 2013 at 1:00p.m. at Golf Course Road Church of Christ in Midland with Don Mitchell of Fairmont Park Church of Christ officiating. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

After Harvard visit, dozens injured in bus crash

Associated Press

BOSTON — The scene could hardly have been more frightening for a Pennsylvania high school student just returning from a tour of Harvard University when the bus she was on slammed into an overpass, injuring dozens of passengers.

She did what most kids would do. She called her mother.

"She was screaming and crying and saying that the roof was caving in and that she couldn't see anything, and she hit her head and she hurt her arm," said Teresa Merrigan, describing the call from her daughter Alana.

Alana and the 41 others on the Calvary Coach bus had just begun the hours-long journey back to the Philadelphia area late Saturday. The driver, Samuel J. Jackson, was trying to navigate Boston's confusing maze of roads and rotaries, famously challenging to out-of-towners. He looked down at his GPS and looked back up and saw the bridge but was too close to avoid hitting it, Ray Talmedge, owner of the Philadelphia-based bus company, told WCAU-TV.

Thirty-five people were injured in the crash, Massachusetts state police said. One person was hospitalized with life-threatening injuries and three with serious injuries, the Boston Emergency Medical Services said.

Some passengers were trapped for more than an hour as rescue crews worked to free them, Massachusetts state police said. Firefighters stood atop the bus, part of its roof crumpled, and used boards to extract passengers, fire department photos showed. The bus suffered significant damage in the crash.

Authorities said the bus did not belong on Soldier's Field Road, a major cross-town street where a 10-foot height limit is in place and oversized vehicles are not allowed. Signs warning of the overpass' height restriction are "all over the place" on the road, Steve MacDonald, a spokesman for the Boston Fire Department, said Sunday.

Jackson, who was uninjured, "failed to heed signs" warning of the height limit, state police said, and he will likely be cited for an over-height violation. State police said they'll also investigate how long Jackson was driving on Saturday, and the probe will determine whether he faces more serious charges.

Talmedge, who said he didn't know anything about the road restrictions, said Jackson also drives a school bus. No one answered the phone Sunday at a number listed for Jackson in Philadelphia.

Neither federal nor Pennsylvania state records show crashes involving Calvary Coach over the past two years or complaints filed against the company.

The students were part of a Destined for a Dream Foundation group, Talmedge said. Officials with the Bristol, Pa.-based group, a nonprofit that helps underprivileged young people, would not comment on the crash when reached by phone.

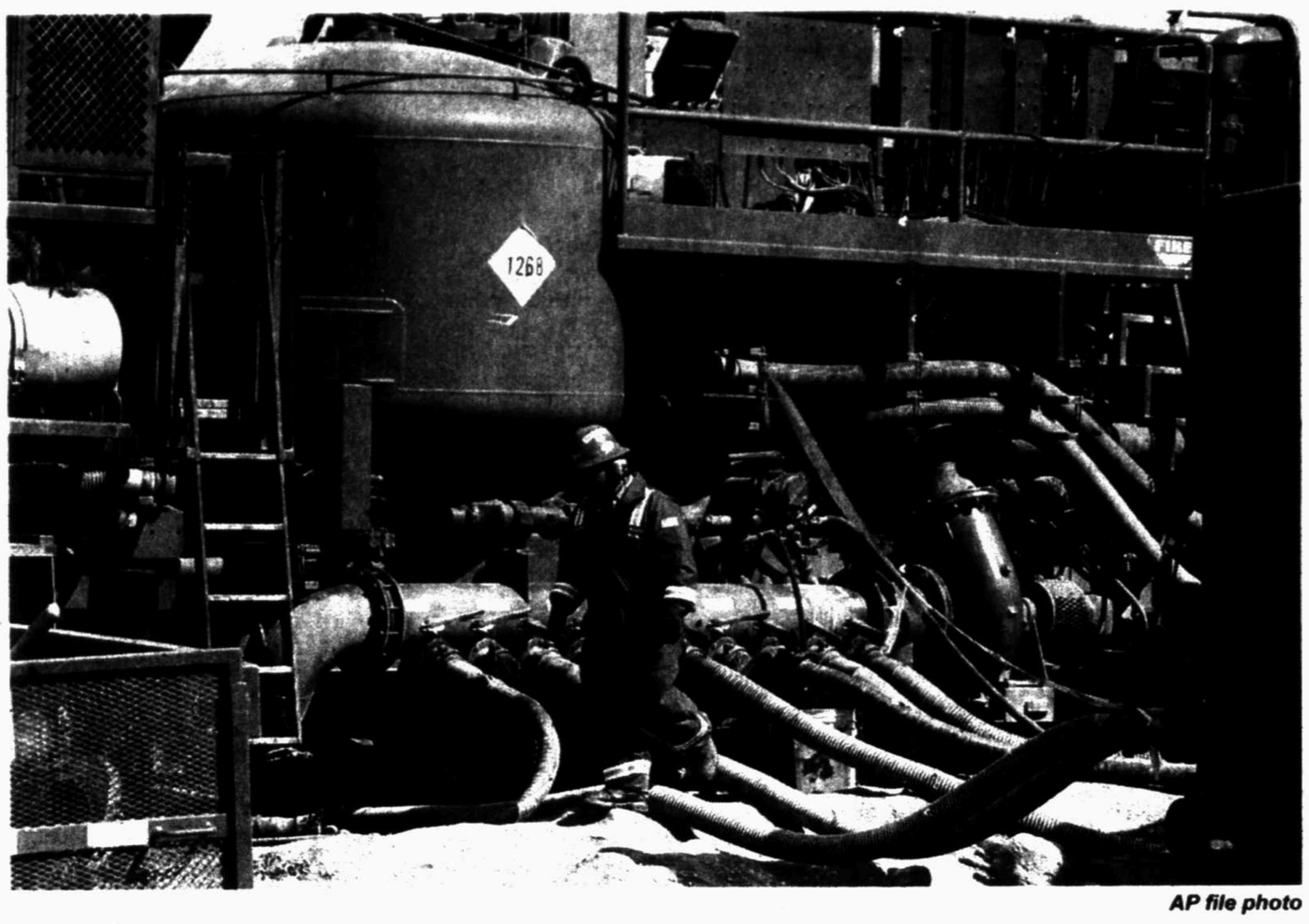
The group's Facebook page said the trip to Harvard was to "visit the campus, sit with the office of cultural advancement, followed by a tour of the campus ... followed by Harvard Square (shopping, eating, site seeing...etc...) This should be a fun time for all!"

Transit officials sent buses to pick up other passengers and get them out of the frigid temperatures.

The accident caused only cosmetic damage to the bridge and road, state police said. The road was reopened Sunday.

Associated Press

Emergency personnel remove passengers at the scene of a bus crash Saturday in Boston. Authorities say a charter bus heading from Harvard University to Pennsylvania struck a bridge in Boston, injuring 35 people.



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A worker steps through the maze of hoses used at a remote hydraulic fracturing site run by Halliburton for natural-gas producer Williams in Rulison, Colo., in April 2009. The oil and gas industry is trying to ease environmental concerns by developing non-toxic hydraulic fracturing fluids. But it's not clear whether the fluids will be widely embraced by drilling companies.

Energy industry develops nontoxic fluids for hydraulic fracturing

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — The oil and gas industry is trying to ease environmental concerns by developing nontoxic fluids for the hydraulic fracturing drilling process, but it's not clear whether the new product will be widely embraced by drilling companies.

Houston-based energy giant Halliburton Inc. has developed a product called CleanStim, which uses only food-industry ingredients. Other companies have developed nontoxic fluids as well.

"Halliburton is in the business to provide solutions to our customers," said production manager Nicholas Gardiner. "Those solutions have to include ways to reduce the safety or environmental concerns that the public might have."

Environmental groups say they welcome the development but still have questions.

The chemicals in fracturing fluids aren't the only environmental concern, said George Jugovic, president of PennFuture. He said there is also concern about the large volumes of naturally occurring but exceptionally salty wastewater and air pollution.

It's premature to say whether it will ever be feasible to have fluids for fracturing that are totally nontoxic, said Scott Anderson, a senior adviser for the Environmental Defense Fund.

"But we are encouraged to some extent by recent industry efforts to at least reduce the toxicity," Anderson said.

Fracturing has made it possible to tap into energy reserves across the nation but also has raised concerns about pollution, since large volumes of water, along with sand and hazardous chemicals, are injected deep into the ground to free the oil and gas from rock.

Regulators contend that overall, water and air pollution problems are rare, but environmental groups and some scientists say there hasn't been enough research on those issues. The industry and many federal and state officials say the practice is safe when done properly, but faulty wells and accidents have caused problems.

Halliburton says CleanStim will provide "an extra margin of safety to people, animals and the environment in the unlikely occurrence of an incident" at a drilling site.

Gardiner said Halliburton has developed a chemistry-scoring system for the fluids, with lower scores being better. CleanStim has a zero score, he said, and is "relatively more expensive" than many traditional fracturing fluids.

Both Jugovic and Anderson noted that one of the most highly publicized concerns about toxic fracturing fluids hasn't really been an issue: the suggestion that they might migrate from thousands of feet underground, up to drinking water aquifers.

"Most people agree there are no confirmed cases so far" of fracturing chemicals migrating up to drinking water, Anderson said. But he added that simple spills of fluid on the surface can cause problems.

"The most likely of exposure is not from the fracturing itself. It is from spills before the fracturing fluid is injected," Anderson said.

There also may be technical and cost issues that limit the acceptance of products such as CleanStim. There is tremendous variation in the type of shale rock in different parts of the country. For example, drillers use different fluids even within the same state, and the specific mix can play a large role in determining how productive a well is.

Gardiner wouldn't say how widely used CleanStim is. "The customers who do use it certainly like the material," he added.

Terry Engelder, a geologist at Penn State University, said he visited a well in that state last year that used just water, sand and three additives in the fracturing fluid.

But Engelder added that "green" and "toxic" can be "soft words without real meaning." He noted that consumers, businesses and farms use vast quantities of chemicals that can contribute to pollution, from cleaners and soaps to fertilizers and pesticides. Yet all those compounds are routinely flushed down the drain, ending up in nearby rivers and streams.

"Eventually industry would like to end up with a mix of just water, sand, and food-grade additives," Engelder said of fracturing. "Companies are learning to deal with fewer and fewer additives."

Details emerge about man at center of Alabama standoff

Associated Press

MIDLAND CITY, Ala. — As an Alabama standoff and hostage drama marked a sixth day Sunday, more details emerged about the suspect at the center, with neighbors and officials painting a picture of an isolated man estranged from his family.

Authorities say Jim Lee Dykes, 65 — a decorated Vietnam-era veteran known as Jimmy to neighbors — gunned down a school bus driver and abducted a 5-year-old boy from the bus, taking him to an underground bunker on his rural property. The driver, 66-year-old Charles Albert Poland Jr., was buried Sunday.

Dykes, described as a loner who railed against the government, lives up a dirt road outside this tiny hamlet north of Dothan in the southeastern corner of the state. His home is just off the main road north to the state capital of Montgomery, about 80 miles away.

The FBI said in a statement Sunday that authorities continue to have an open line of communication with Dykes. The little boy requested Cheez-Its and a red Hot Wheels car, both of which were delivered to the bunker, a separate statement said. Authorities had said they also were delivering medicine and other comfort items, and that Dykes was making the child as comfortable as possible.

In the nearby community of Ozark on Sunday, more than 500 people filed into the Civic Center to pay a final tribute to Poland, who was hailed as a hero for protecting the other children on the school bus before he was shot Tuesday.

Poland is now "an angel who is watching over" the little boy, said Dale County School Superintendent Donny Bynum, who read letters written by three students who had ridden on Poland's bus. "You didn't deserve to die but you died knowing you kept everyone safe," one child wrote.

Dykes grew up in the Dothan area. Mel Adams, a Midland City Council member who owns the lot where reporters are gathered, said he has known Dykes since they were ages 3 and 4.

He said Dykes has a sister and a brother but that he is estranged from his family.

Midland City Mayor Virgil Skipper said Dykes' sister is in a nursing home. Adams said that law enforcement officers have talked to Dykes' family members and advised them not to speak with reporters, and that officers told his sister there was nothing she could do to help the child in the bunker.

Government records and interviews with neighbors indicate that Dykes joined the Navy in Midland City, serving on active duty from 1964 to 1969. His record shows several awards, including the Vietnam Service Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. Dykes was trained in aviation maintenance and at one point was based in Japan. It was unclear if he saw combat in Vietnam.

Adams said that he, too, is a Vietnam veteran but that he never was close with Dykes. Adams said he recalls last seeing Dykes in the 1980s, when he drove a truck for a company that laundered uniforms.

At some point after his time in the Navy, Dykes lived in Florida, where he worked as a surveyor and a long-haul truck driver.

He had some scrapes with the law in Florida, including a 1995 arrest for improper exhibition of a weapon. The misdemeanor was dismissed. He also was arrested for marijuana possession in 2000.

He returned to Alabama about two years ago, moving onto the rural tract about 100 yards from his nearest neighbors, Michael Creel and his father, Greg.

Neighbors described Dykes as a man who once beat a dog to death with a lead pipe, threatened to shoot children for setting foot on his property, and patrolled his yard at night with a flashlight and a firearm. Michael Creel said Dykes had an adult daughter, but the two lost touch years ago.

Women's baseball star, movie inspirer Davis dies

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Lavonne "Pepper" Paire-Davis, a star of the All American Girls Professional Baseball League in the 1940s and an inspiration for the central character in the movie "A League of Their Own," has died, her son said Sunday.

Paire-Davis died of natural causes in the Van Nuys section of Los Angeles on Saturday, her son, William Davis, told The Associated Press. She was 88.

Paire-Davis was a model for the character played by Geena Davis in the 1992 hit "A League of Their Own," which also starred Rosie O'Donnell, Madonna and Tom Hanks as the crusty manager who shouted the famous line, "there's no crying in baseball!"

In 1944, Paire-Davis joined the league, created out of fear that World War II would interrupt Major League Baseball, and played for 10 seasons.

She was a catcher and shortstop, and helped her teams win five championships. She chronicled her baseball adventures in the 2009 book "Dirt in the Skirt."

"I know what it's like for your dream to come true, mine did," Paire-Davis said in an AP story in 1995, when she was 70. "Baseball was the thing I had the most fun doing. It was like breathing."

After graduating from high school, she enrolled at UCLA as an English major, worked as a welder's assistant at the shipyards in Long Beach, and spent every spare moment playing in local softball leagues.

Her heart, however, belonged to hardball.

"Don't get me wrong, I was glad to be playing softball," she said in 1995. "But I'd rather have played competitive baseball."

The All American Girls Baseball League was founded in 1943 by Chicago Cubs owner Philip K. Wrigley. Most of the league's talent came from greater Chicago, but Paire-Davis was one of a half-dozen players scouted and chosen from California.

The players wore skirts and the teams often had cutesy names, but the players maintained a genuine big league lifestyle, playing 120 games over four months.

"We played every night of the week," Paire-Davis said, "doubleheaders on Sundays and holidays."

She won championships with the Racine Belles, the Grand Rapids Chicks and the Fort Wayne Daisies, but she never actually played for the team featured in the film, the Rockford Peaches.

"That's Hollywood," she said. "They had to take 10 teams and 12 years and make it into two hours."

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Christopher J. Diaz, 28, of Midland, was arrested Saturday on a charge of tampering or fabricating physical evidence.

Joey S. Lewis, 46, of Midland, was arrested Saturday on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

Ricardo V. Munoz, 30, of Midland, was arrested Saturday on a charge of violation of probation.

Clayton C. Schmitz, 31, of Midland, was arrested Saturday on a charge of assault on a family or household member by impeding breath.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

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Meeting today

Planning and Zoning Commission
3:30 p.m. today
City Council Chambers, City Hall
300 N. Loraine St.

Support groups

■ Midland Parkinson Support Group, 6:30 p.m., HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital, 699-6640.
■ For miscarriage grief recovery, call 570-5935.
■ For post-abortion healing, call 570-5935.
■ Tall City VFW Post 7208, 1303 E. Taylor Ave., bingo games 7 p.m.

Happy birthday

Jared Silva, of Midland, will be 25 today.
Tana Weatherford, of Midland, will be 33 today.
If you would like to submit a birthday or anniversary for publication, please send the information to news@mrt.com.

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11 a.m.-2 p.m. Rush Limbaugh
2-5 p.m. Dave Ramsey
5-6 p.m. Local news reports
6-9 p.m. Roger Hedgecock
9-midnight Hugh Hewitt
Midnight-6 a.m. Coast to Coast with George Noory
Web: http://www.newstalkkcrs.com

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6-10 a.m. Morning Show with Craig Anderson
10 a.m.-noon. Neal Boortz (till Jan 21, then Herman Cain)
Noon-2 p.m. Glenn Beck
2-5 p.m. Sean Hannity
5-6 p.m. Jason Moore
6-8 p.m. Jerry Doyle
8-11 p.m. Mike Savage
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Today in history

Today is Monday, Feb. 4, the 35th day of 2013. There are 330 days left in the year.
Today's highlight:
On Feb. 4, 1913, Rosa Parks — a black woman whose refusal to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Ala., city bus to a white man in 1955 sparked a civil rights revolution — was born Rosa Louise McCauley in Tuskegee, Ala.
On this date:
In 1941, the United Service Organizations (USO) came into existence.
In 1962, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital was founded in Memphis, Tenn., by entertainer Danny Thomas.
In 1974, newspaper heiress Patricia Hearst was kidnapped in Berkeley, Calif., by the Symbionese Liberation Army.
In 1987, pianist Liberace died at his Palm Springs, Calif., home at age 67.
Ten years ago: President George W. Bush visited the Johnson Space Center in Houston, where he led a tribute to the lost crew of the shuttle Columbia and rededicated the nation to space travel.
Today's birthdays: Former Vice President Dan Quayle is 66. Rock singer Alice Cooper is 65. Country singer Clint Black is 51. Olympic gold medal boxer Oscar De La Hoya is 40.

Associated Press

In this photo provided by the University of Michigan Health System in Ann Arbor, Mich., Dr. Beth Tarini, a pediatrician and researcher at UMHS, poses Wednesday with a selection of "Little House" books written by Laura Ingalls Wilder. Tarini is the author of a study that suggests that Mary Ingalls, sister of Laura Ingalls Wilder, went blind from a meningitis-like disease and not scarlet fever.

MEDICAL MYSTERY UNRAVELS

How did 'Little House' sister really become blind?

By Lindsey Tanner
Associated Press

"From a literary standpoint, scarlet fever just seemed to be the most convenient way (to describe Mary's illness)."

Willam Anderson, Historian

CHICAGO — Any fan of Laura Ingalls Wilder's beloved "Little House" books knows how the author's sister Mary went blind: scarlet fever. But turns out that probably wasn't the cause, medical experts say, upending one of the more dramatic elements in the classic stories.

An analysis of historical documents, biographical records and other material suggests another disease that causes swelling in the brain and upper spinal cord was the most likely culprit. It was known as "brain fever" in the late 1800s, the setting for the mostly true stories about Wilder's pioneer family.

Scarlet fever was rampant and feared at the time, and it was likely often misdiagnosed for other illnesses that cause fever, the researchers said.

Wilder's letters and unpublished memoir, on which the books are based, suggest she was uncertain about her sister's illness, referring to it as "some sort of spinal sickness." And a registry at an Iowa college for blind students that Mary attended says "brain fever" caused her to lose her eyesight, the researchers said.

They found no mention that Mary Ingalls had a red rash that is a hallmark sign of scarlet fever. It's caused by the same germ that causes strep throat. It is easily treated with antibiotics that didn't exist in the 1800s and is no longer considered a serious illness.

Doctors used to think blindness was among the complications, but that's probably because they misdiagnosed scarlet fever in children who had other diseases, said study author Dr. Beth Tarini, a pediatrician and researcher at the University of Michigan.

Her study appears online Monday in Pediatrics.

It's the latest study offering a modern diagnosis for a historical figure. Others subjected to revisionists' microscope include Soviet leader Vladimir Lenin, composer Wolfgang Mozart and Abraham Lincoln.

Tarini said as a girl she was a fan of the "Little House" books and wanted to research Mary Ingalls' blindness ever since scarlet fever came up during a medical school discussion.

"I raised my hand and said, 'Scarlet fever can make you go blind, right?'" The instructor hesitated and responded, "I don't think so."

The disease that Mary Ingalls probably had is called meningoencephalitis. It can be caused by bacteria and treated with antibiotics, but Tarini said it's likely she had the viral kind, which can be spread by mosquitoes and ticks.

The viral disease is fairly common today, particularly in summer months and can cause fever, headaches and sometimes seizures, said Dr. Buddy Creech, an infectious disease specialist at Vanderbilt University. Affected children typically require hospitalization but lasting effects are uncommon, Creech said.

Still, blindness can occur if the disease affects the optic nerve, and it's entirely possible that Mary Ingalls had the condition, he said.

Historian William Anderson, author of Laura Ingalls Wilder biography, said various theories about Mary Ingalls' blindness have been floating around for years. The new analysis provides credible evidence that it was caused by something other than scarlet fever, but it does nothing to discredit the books, Anderson said.

"From a literary standpoint, scarlet fever just seemed to be the most convenient way (to describe Mary's illness)," he said.

MEXICO

From 1A

A recent report by the U.N. Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean shows that despite its proximity to the U.S., Mexico is woefully behind other countries in attracting American patients. Mexico needs to do more both to improve security and to certify hospitals to treat international patients, experts say. Only 19 Mexican hospitals are certified by the Joint Commission, a world body that accredits hospitals, compared with 35 in Brazil.

"Mexico needs to get more hospitals certified by the Joint Commission, address violence and the perception of it, and needs to significantly increase advertising in the United States," said Christopher E. Wilson, an expert on economic issues at the Woodrow Wilson Center's Mexico Institute.

"In the U.S., states need to see if changes are needed in insurance regulation to allow policies to cover care in Mexico," Wilson said. "In California, for instance, some insurance companies are selling policies to cover care in Mexico. Finally, getting Medicare to cover treatment out of the U.S. is the holy grail for medical tourism advocates."

Making changes to Medicare coverage is a thorny issue in Congress, though, and such changes are unlikely anytime soon, despite increased lobbying from many of the estimated 1 million Americans living in Mexico, many of them retirees.

Two years ago, David Wagner, an expert on health care at the University of Texas, sent members of Congress a study showing how their constituents would benefit from access to health care in Mexico. "Not one of them responded," he said.

"The real deal-killer to retiring in Mexico is that your Medicare doesn't cover you down there," Wagner said. "If Medicare would cover, it would save the government money and people would live a lot better."

For now, Brazil, Ecuador and some Caribbean countries continue to make significant gains in attracting Americans for private care, said Arturo Vargas Bustamante, a health care expert at the University of California, Los Angeles. Vargas said what is preventing Mexico from becoming a bigger player is a lack of U.S. political will and Mexico's monopolistic business culture, in which mammoth corporations dominate industries ranging from telephones to medical care and are able to avoid competition.

"My perspective is Mexican doctors seem to be too comfortable in what is working now, meaning they make enough money," Vargas said. "They're shielded from the competition, and so private providers make a lot of money. The government has been trying to encourage them to be more ambitious, but they need to do more on that end and also do more to position themselves with a better strategy and market."

A tourism official in the new administration of Enrique Pena Nieto said the president is committed to medical tourism and will continue to promote an office set up in 2012 to expand the industry. The office was formed during Gloria Guevara's tenure as tourism secretary. The goal was to tap into a growing market: About 1.6 million Americans now actively seek health care abroad, Guevara said, and they represent an estimated $4.1 billion spent abroad annually for medical care. Millions more lack insurance and presumably might choose the lower-priced care outside the U.S., and the 35 million Americans with roots in Mexico constitute another potential market — especially along the Texas-Mexico border.

"It's inevitable that the market will continue to grow because there's a greater value for return in Mexico — great medical services and great doctors, with springlike weather most of the year," said Guevara, a former Dallas resident. "It's huge, and that's why it's so important to build on the foundation that we started."

Wagner said that the U.S.-Mexico border, particularly El Paso, Laredo and the Rio Grande Valley, should be a testing ground for insurance companies and Medicare to cover health care costs.

"We're looking at a lot of people who cannot afford quality health care, and Mexico would be a great option for them," he said.

But Mexico's drug violence isn't helping, Wagner and others said.

Christus Muguerza, owned by Dallas-based Christus Health, is the largest Catholic health care system in Mexico. Many consider Christus a leader in the industry, as it has won certification to treat American patients. But its two hospitals in Monterrey — just two hours from the Texas border — have been blindsided by fear of the violence that has become the scourge of northern Mexico. Many people think twice about crossing the border.

A spokeswoman for Christus in Monterrey declined to comment.

For now, Fry and Childress, CEO of Global MedChoices, a health care technology and health services company based in Memphis, Tenn., are expanding medical services in the Turks and Caicos Islands, a Caribbean country that serves Americans and Canadians.

Fry is scouting in the Dallas area for spine, heart and knee specialists. Some of their colleagues are already doing work in the Turks and Caicos and other countries, teaching their host doctors the latest technology and learning from them.

In Mexico, in addition to the Bahia de Banderas region, Cozumel, on Mexico's Caribbean coast, has caught Fry's attention because "it's an island, and there will be no security concerns."

Fry, who had a knee replacement in Turks and Caicos, has also teamed up with accountant Morey Glazer, one of the trailblazers in the field. Glazer has been lobbying the U.S. and Mexican governments for years and, despite many setbacks, remains optimistic about medical tourism in Mexico.

"We're almost there," Glazer said during a recent meeting with Fry at a Dallas restaurant. "It's gonna happen, Bruce. Don't get disappointed."

Fry responded: "I agree, Morey. All you need here is a little vision — and a lot of patience."

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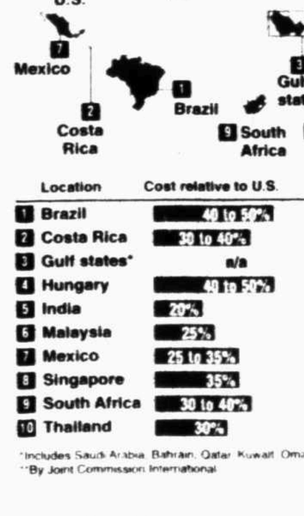

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5 India	20%	19
6 Malaysia	25%	21
7 Mexico	5 to 35%	9
8 Singapore	35%	21
9 South Africa	30 to 40%	8
10 Thailand	30%	28

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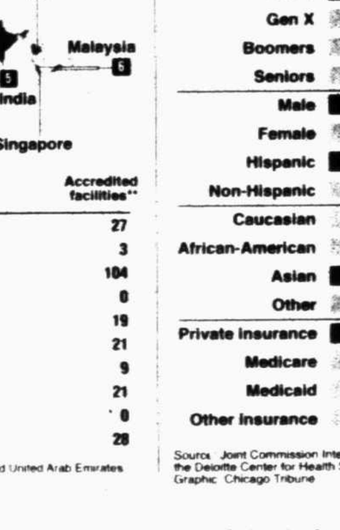

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CRACKDOWN

From 1A

line of defense for students between the time the shooting starts and police arrive.

"Now, we're able to protect our children, to fill that gap until the police get there," said Don Dunn, of Van Independent School District.

But the hearing also exposed a division between rural and urban school districts over arming teachers. Three small districts that allow teachers to carry weapons to class don't have their own police forces. Dallas and Austin and dozens of larger school districts do, and officials from those districts told lawmakers they want to leave school security to professional law enforcement.

The Texas State Teachers Association has opposed pushing more teachers into carrying weapons. Parent groups seem nervous about the idea as well.

"No parent wants their child in on an experiment with deadly weapons," said Barbara Beto, legislative action chair for the Texas PTA.

The proposal for more guns echoes the National Rifle Association's call for an armed guard in every school. Meanwhile, New York passed a law that reduces the maximum legal magazine size from 10 bullets to seven and further restricts assault weapons. Connecticut lawmakers are considering tighter control on guns following the Connecticut massacre.

President Obama earlier this month unveiled plans to press for universal background checks and bans on military-style assault weapons and high-capacity ammunition magazines. That prompted a rapid-fire response from Texas.

Gov. Rick Perry, who carries a concealed handgun and once shot a coyote while jogging, said prayer, not gun control, would save lives. First-term state Rep. Steve Toth, R-The Woodlands, organized a gun-rights rally that drew hundreds of gun-toting demonstrators to the steps of the state Capitol. A simultaneous gun control rally on the opposite side of the building drew only a few dozen.

Toth has introduced a bill seeking to ban statewide any federal action limiting firearms. The bill would allow Texas police to arrest federal law enforcement officers attempting to enforce any federal gun or ammunition bans in the Texas, although such a measure would violate the U.S. Constitution.

And on Thursday, Dewhurst taunted Obama in a message on Twitter: "To #Obama & his elitist, liberal allies,' I say what Texans have said for generations: #ComeandTake It!"

A glance at Texas gun legislation

Texas lawmakers are doubling-down on gun issues, introducing bills to expand the ability to carry firearms in public places. Here are some of the more prominent bills:

SB 182

To allow people with concealed handgun licenses to carry weapons into public university classrooms, filed by Sen. Brian Birdwell, R-Granbury.
Read the full text at http://bit.ly/YNvgnV.

HB 47

Reduce the number of hours of training required to receive a concealed handgun license from 10 hours to four, filed by Rep. Dan Flynn, R-Van.
Read the full text at http://bit.ly/X804KW.

HB 223

Allow school district superintendents or board members who are CHL holders to take their guns to school board meetings, filed by Rep. Dan Huberty, R-Kingwood.
Read the full text at http://bit.ly/Won5fg.

HB 700

Allow concealed handgun license holders to carry their weapons in plain view, such as on a belt or in a holster, filed by Rep. George Lavender, R-Texarkana.
Read the full text http://bit.ly/Uq9PWe.

The Associated Press

Military: Texas shooting suspect was Iraq war vet

Associated Press

GLEN ROSE — The 25-year-old man charged with murdering former Navy SEAL and "American Sniper" author Chris Kyle and his friend at a Texas gun range was an Iraq war veteran.

The U.S. military confirmed Sunday that Eddie Ray Routh was in the Marines from 2006 to 2010. He was deployed to Iraq in 2007. His current duty status is listed as reserve.

Routh is charged with two counts of capital murder. He's accused of killing 38-year-old Kyle and 35-year-old Chad Littlefield at the Rough Creek Lodge shooting range Saturday evening.

Officer Kyle Roberts at the Erath County Jail said Routh is being held on $3 million bond. Roberts did not have information on information on whether Routh had a lawyer. No one answered the door at Routh's home

MIDLAND 101

From 1A

black man bought a car and began charging other blacks for a lift.

"He transported blacks everywhere for 10-cents a ride," Barnes wrote.

Jimmy Patterson's book, "A History of Character: The Story of Midland, Texas" will be published this year.

Email Patterson at jimmyleepatterson@gmail.com.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

A pumpjack operates in Midland County in November 2012. A surge in the oil and gas industry has contributed greatly to Midland's and Odessa's economies.

BOOM

From 1A

"We've seen sustained growth for 10 years, and the nation and the world are taking note as evidenced in investment in business, new businesses and development."

Ingham listed housing, construction, consumer activity and employment as areas of impressive growth.

"There was prognostication by very reputable firms that Midland and Odessa would actually lose jobs, though not many, in 2012," he said.

At year's end, Midland reported the lowest unemployment rate in the nation, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, he said. Beyond.com, The Career Network; ranked Midland in its top 10 places to find a job.

Welch said Midland has been ranked top in the nation in terms of job growth from 2006 to 2011, and she expects the city to rank high nationally when other surveys are released in the coming months.

"There is a lot of interest in Midland," she said. "We're getting a lot of calls, a lot of inquiries about Midland and how they can help our economic development continue."

She described the inquiries as diverse and not focused just on the oil and gas industry.

More than $4.6 billion in taxable retail sales were made in the two cities in 2012, up 16.8 percent compared to 2011. That cash flow comes from the $28 billion worth of crude oil and $3.17 billion of natural gas produced from West Texas wells in 2012. Ingham explained that those figures are adjusted for inflation dating back 1995 and the actual amount "is considerably higher."

"Businesses are a large payer of sales taxes, including oil and gas companies," said Ingham. "Those numbers are also bolstered by increases in wages, which are spent locally."

He said the wages are bidding higher as companies try to fill job openings and compete with oilfield wages.

Automotive spending also remained strong in 2012, rising 28.6 percent compared to 2011, the third year of double-digit growth

"I believe a floor exists this year for oil prices around $80 and expect prices to average $90 to $110 for the year. My case for prices supports a strong energy economy."

Mickey Cargile, Cargile Investments

Consumer activity "is an excellent cyclical indicator of economic trends," Ingham said.

Construction "was just huge" at $753.6 million, up 59.6 percent compared to 2011, he said. That exceeds the year when a $200 million power plant was permitted in Ector County.

"You had an enormous number of projects, some big, that tied the two cities together," he said. "That is an extraordinary level of construction activity, even for two combined cities."

The cities of Midland and Odessa issued a combined 1,144 permits for new homes in 2012 and 3,035 existing homes were sold during the year. The average sales price rose 10.8 percent to $210,086. "An increase in the sales price of 10 percent-plus tells us there is simply a shortage of housing," Ingham said. "The housing that is being built is not doing a lot to alleviate the shortage."

He said the fact that hotel-motel tax collections have doubled in two years, with $10.2 million collected last year, reflects not only business travel but the housing shortage as companies rent hotel rooms for their workers. Hotel-motel tax receipts were up more than 50 percent compared to the previous year for the second straight year.

This remarkable growth has been powered by the region's oil and gas industry, which has been cooling off since last spring. In the past, a slowdown in oil and gas activity was soon reflected in the area's overall economy, which has not been the case yet, though Ingham said it could still occur.

"Even if there is a cooling off in these numbers, there will not be anything approaching an undoing of the growth that has taken place," he said.

Cargile predicted the local economy will remain strong. However, he said, "The growth rate will decline over the next few years simply due to more difficult (higher) comparison years."

He also predicted the demand for oil will remain strong this year as Europe stabilizes and economies in China and other emerging markets recover.

"I believe a floor exists this year for oil prices around $80 and expect prices to average $90 to $110 for the year," he said. "My case for prices supports a strong energy economy."

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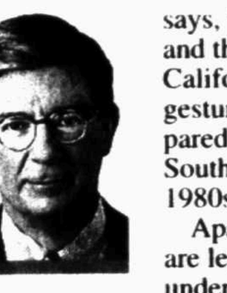
OPINION

Invest in a political agenda at your own risk

■ Price of moral grandstanding will cost investors, many who one day plan to retire.



GEORGE WILL

Washington Post Writers Group

Politics becomes amusing when liberalism becomes theatrical with high-minded gestures. Chicago's government, which is not normally known for elevated thinking, is feeling so morally upright and financially flush that it proposes to rise above the banal business of maximizing the value of its employees' and retirees' pension fund assets. Although seven funds have cumulative unfunded liabilities of $25 billion, Chicago will sacrifice the growth of those assets to the striking of a political pose so pure it is untainted by practicality.

Emulating New York and California, two deep blue states with mammoth unfunded pension liabilities, Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel has hectored a $5 billion pension fund into divesting its holdings in companies that manufacture firearms. Now he is urging two large banks to deny financing to such companies "that profit from gun violence." TD Bank provides a $60 million credit line to Smith & Wesson, and Bank of America provides a $25 million line to Sturm, Ruger & Company.

Chicago's current and retired public employees might wish the city had invested more in both companies. Barack Obama, for whom Emanuel was chief of staff, has become a potent gun salesman because of suspicions that he wants to make gun ownership more difficult. Since he was inaugurated four years ago, there have been 65 million requests for background checks of gun purchasers. Four years ago, the price of Smith & Wesson stock was $2.45. Last week it was $8.76, up 258 percent. Four years ago, the price of Sturm Ruger stock was $6.46. Last week it was $51.09, up 691 percent. The Wall Street Journal reports that even before "a $1.2 billion balloon payment for pensions comes due" in 2015, "Chicago's pension funds, which are projected to run dry by the end of the decade, are scraping the bottoms of their barrels."

Nevertheless, liberals are feeling good about themselves — the usual point of liberalism — because New York state's public pension fund and California's fund for teachers have. The New York Times says, "frozen or divested" gun holdings, and this month Calpers, the fund for other California public employees, may join this gesture jamboree. All this is being compared to the use of divestment to pressure South Africa to dismantle apartheid in the 1980s. Well.

Apartheid was a wicked practice. Guns are legal products in America, legally sold under federal, state and local regulations. Most of the guns sold to Americans are made by Americans. Americans have a right — a *constitutional* right — to own guns, and 47 percent of American households exercise that portion of the Bill of Rights by possessing at least one firearm.

For Emanuel to say gun makers "profit from gun violence" is as sensible as saying automobile manufacturers "profit from highway carnage" — which, by the way, kills more Americans than guns do. Emanuel, who is more intelligent than he sounds (just as many think Wagner's music is better than it sounds), must know that not one fewer gun will be made, sold or misused because Chicago is wagging its finger at banks.

Moral grandstanding, however, offers steady work and The Chronicle of Higher Education reports a new front in "the battle against climate change": "Student groups at almost 200 colleges and universities are calling on boards of trustees to divest their colleges' holdings in large fossil-fuel companies." Of course, not one share of those companies' stock will go unsold because academia is so righteous. Others will profit handsomely from such holdings and from being complicit in supplying what the world needs. Fossil fuels, the basis of modern life, supply 82 percent of U.S. energy, and it is projected that they will supply 78 percent of the global increase in energy demand between 2009 and 2035, by which time the number of cars and trucks on the planet will have doubled to 1.7 billion.

Institutions of higher education will, presumably, warn donors that their endowments will be wielded in support of the political agenda du jour, which might include divesting from any company having anything to do with corn, source of the sweetener in many of the sodas that make some people fat and New York's mayor cranky. Or anything to do with red meat, sugar, salt, trans fats, chickens not lovingly raised. ...

Liberal ethicists may decide that the only virtuous investments are in electric cars. The Obama administration says 1 million will be sold by 2015. Maybe 70,000 have been so far. Just imagine how pension funds will prosper by betting on the next 930,000.

OUR VIEW

Craddick's texting-while-driving ban makes sense for Texas

Rep. Tom Craddick once again is leading the effort for a statewide ban on texting while driving, and we again support him.

This is Craddick's second major attempt to get Texas to pass a meaningful piece of legislation on texting while driving.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, texting while driving makes crashes 23 times more likely. Texting and driving already has been deemed dangerous; 34 states have adopted texting and driving bans, according to the Governors Highway Safety Association.

In 2009, nearly 5,500 people died and half a million were injured in crashes involving a distracted driver, according to NHTSA data.

Distraction-related fatalities represented 16 percent of traffic fatalities in 2009, the agency said. It's unclear how many of those fatalities can be blamed on texting.

Craddick's bill — which if passed will become known as the Alex Brown Memorial Act — proposes a ban on reading, writing or sending text-based communication from a wireless device while in control of a vehicle, unless the vehicle is stopped.

We think this is a reasonable bill that will increase the safety of our highways. Anyone driving in Midland knows the potential danger distracted drivers add to a commute home or while dropping the kids off at school. People owe it to their fellow Texans to act in a responsible way, and when they don't, our lawmakers are forced to act.

The namesake of Craddick's bill is Alex Brown, 17, a Seagraves High School student, who died in November 2009. Brown rolled her pickup off a country road while texting on her way to school. She was not wearing her seatbelt and was ejected from the vehicle, according to Department of Public Safety reports.

Craddick previously drafted a bill to outlaw texting while driving. It was passed by the state House and Senate in 2011 but vetoed by Gov. Rick Perry. The governor said in a statement after the veto there are valid reasons to put limits on teen drivers and on texting while driving in school zones, but a full ban would be an "overreach" of the government.

The 82nd Legislature did the right thing by sending to the governor's desk a texting while driving ban two years ago, and we hope this Legislature will see fit to do so again. We also expect Perry will find himself on the right side of the issue this time.

We think this is a bill responsible Texans want and need. We need to make it known in our state that we will not abide in dangerous driving habits that have the potential of taking lives on our streets and highways.

Craddick's bill is the smart play for Texas, and we hope the Legislature and the governor both see it that way.

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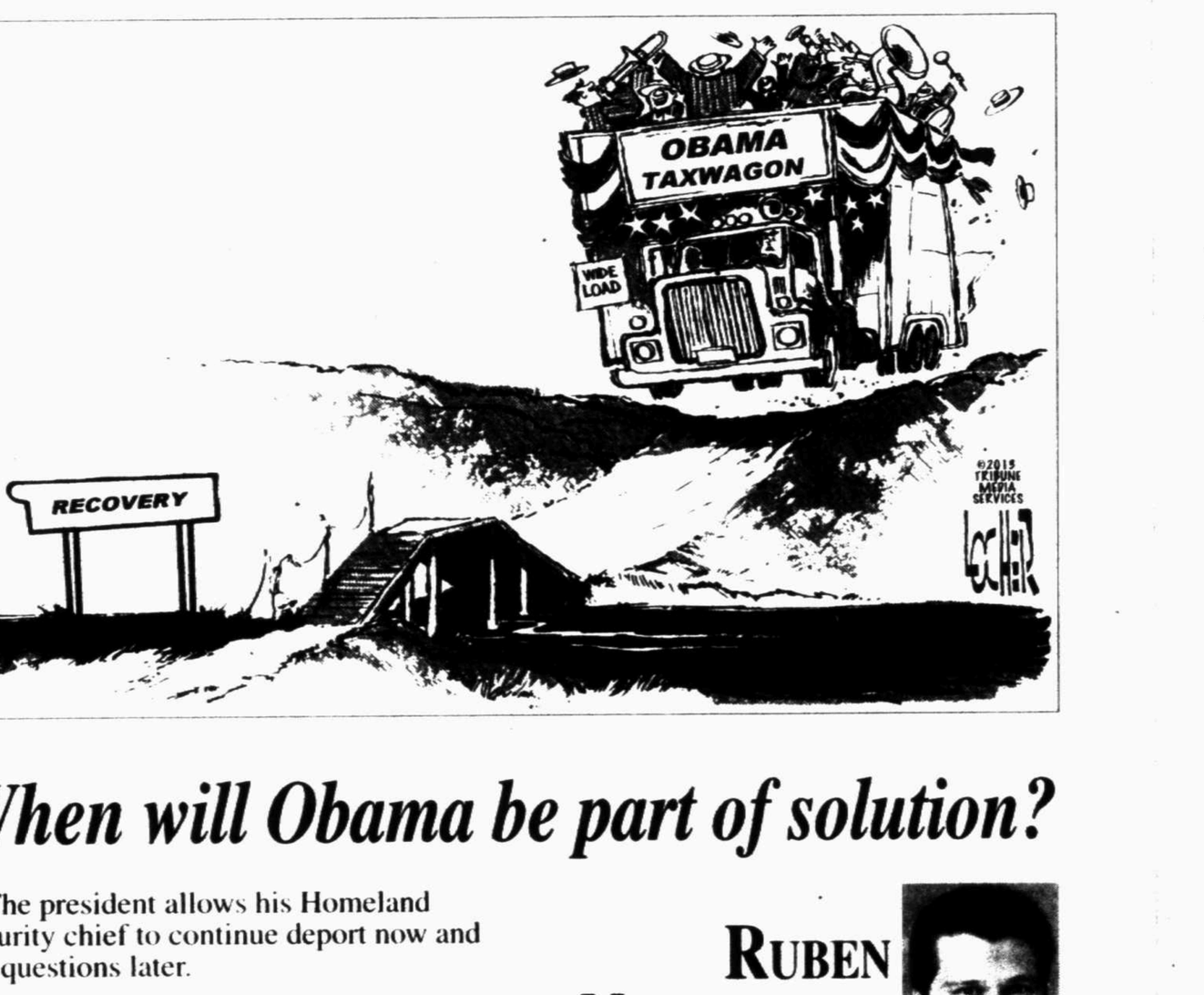
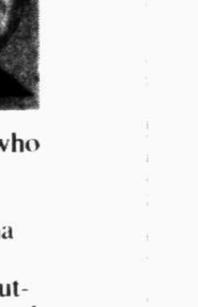


When will Obama be part of solution?

■ The president allows his Homeland Security chief to continue deport now and ask questions later.



RUBEN NAVARRETTE

Washington Post Writers Group

I've said that President Obama should just stop talking about immigration. The topic isn't his strong suit. He doesn't understand the terrain. And he's not believable.

When asked about his administration's record number of deportations, he is prone to — as New York-based immigration lawyer Bryan Johnson put it on his firm's blog — "expressing his indifference at the destruction of immigrant families."

In fact, the whole subject appears to vex Obama, who can't make up his mind whether he wants to protect undocumented immigrants, the vast majority of whom — as he has acknowledged -- are just hard-working people trying to support their families, or whether he thinks that his job is to protect U.S. workers who don't want to compete and blame new arrivals for taking jobs and lowering wages. So Obama splits the difference by promising to give illegal immigrants earned citizenship, while — back at the ranch — the Department of Homeland Security is giving more than 30,000 folks a month a one-way ticket out of the country and giving their U.S.-born children a new set of foster parents.

Recently, Obama took this shell game to Las Vegas where he gambled that Latinos would be long on hope and short on memory. He delivered a speech on immigration that could have helped turn things around but instead turned out to be a dud. He mentioned a bipartisan Senate plan that takes a stab at comprehensive immigration reform but only gave lukewarm praise for the effort — even though, the day before, one of the plan's co-sponsors, Sen. Charles Schumer of New York, said at a Washington news conference that Obama endorsed the plan.

The event itself was little more than a pep rally intended to show the immigration reform community that Obama is still interested in a topic about which he has never been much interested. And the most bizarre part was that there were people in the audience applauding on cue when Obama wasn't saying anything worth applauding.

NBC Latino contributor Stephen A. Nuno, who is also an assistant professor at Northern Arizona University, zeroed in on that element of the spectacle. He called it an "awkward jubilee" where Latinos got nothing but were expected to act as if they had been given everything.

There's a palpable sense of disappointment on the left. There should be. When it comes to immigration, they've been lied to, manipulated, and played for fools too many times by this president and this administration. Of course, those of us who have been paying attention to how Obama toys with the issue aren't at all shocked.

Although, I admit I was shocked when Obama started his immigration speech by recognizing, among the "notable guests" in the room, "our outstanding secretary of the Department of Homeland Security, Janet Napolitano."

Let me get this straight. Obama took time out from a speech about how to fix the nation's broken immigration system to honor one of the people who by her actions has made matters worse.

Since she oversees Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Napolitano is the Obama administration's de-facto deportation czar — a role that she has agreed to carry on for another four years, and which she fulfills with gusto.

Defenders of the administration say that Napolitano is merely following the law. But it's more complicated. The law doesn't just mean rounding up and deporting people; it also means preserving the discretion that police and prosecutors have to make judgment calls -- including about who they turn over to immigration officials and who they don't. Battered wives, for instance, have often fallen into the "don't" category because law enforcement didn't want victims of domestic violence who are undocumented to stop contacting police when they're abused.

This is no longer the case. Napolitano helped destroy such discretion by forcing upon cities and states the heavily criticized program Secure Communities, which requires local and state police to give federal authorities the fingerprints of anyone they arrest or detain and is suspected of being in the country illegally.

When Democratic governors such as Pat Quinn of Illinois, Deval Patrick of Massachusetts, and Andrew Cuomo of New York tried to exit the program, Napolitano told them they couldn't.

Part bureaucrat and part bully, the secretary of homeland security isn't the solution to our immigration woes. She's part of the problem. The fact that Obama doesn't see this tells you that Napolitano is probably just carrying out orders, and the bullying starts at the top.

From the Left | Doonesbury

From the Right | Mallard Fillmore

Obama says Boy Scouts should allow gays as members

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama said Sunday that gays should be allowed in the Boy Scouts and women should be allowed in military combat roles, weighing in on two storied American institutions facing proposals to end long-held exclusions.

The president's comments in a pre-Super Bowl interview on CBS came ahead of this week's meeting of the Boy Scouts' national executive board. A proposal to open up the Scouts' membership to gays is expected to be discussed and possibly voted on at the gathering in Texas.

The Boy Scouts emphatically reaffirmed the no-gays policy just seven months ago but announced last week they were considering changing the stance. Instead of mandatory exclusion of gays, the different religious and civic groups that sponsor Scout units can decide for themselves how to address the issue — either maintaining the exclusion or opening up their membership.

The White House said in a statement last August that Obama opposed the gay ban. Obama, like presidents for the last century, serves as honorary president of the group. The president's comment Sunday was his first since the group announced it was considering a policy change.

"My attitude is that gays and lesbians should have access and opportunity the same way everybody else does in every institution and walk of life," Obama said. "The Scouts are a great institution that are promoting young people and exposing them to opportunities and leadership that will serve people for the rest of their lives. And I think nobody should be barred from that."

Obama also had previously issued a statement supporting the Pentagon's decision last month to open up front-line combat jobs to women, but the interview with CBS' Scott Pelley included his first publicly spoken comments on the matter since the announcement. He said women are already serving in combat "as a practical matter."

"When they're in theater in places like Iraq and Afghanistan, they are vulnerable," he said. "They are wounded, and they've been killed. And they have carried out their jobs with extraordinary patriotism and distinction."

The policy change overturns a 1994 rule prohibiting women from being assigned to smaller ground combat units, and is expected to open up more than 230,000 combat positions that have been off limits to women.

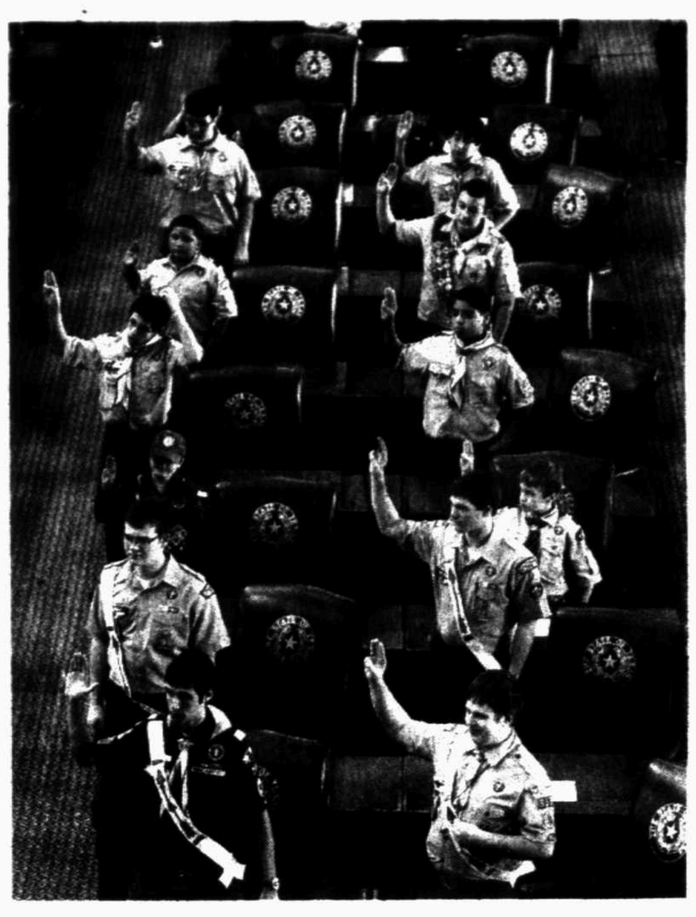
Obama said he meets "extraordinary women in uniform who can do everything that a man can and more." He gave the example of one of his military aides, who he estimated is only about 5 feet tall and 100 pounds.

"You put a 50-pound pack on her, and she can do things that you or me would keel over doing. And so the truth is that women are serving. They are taking great risks. What we should not do is somehow prevent them from advancing in an institution that we all revere."

Coming before the Super Bowl, Obama had to expect he'd be asked about his recent comment that if he had a son, he would have to think long and hard about letting him play football because of safety concerns. Obama said he feel differently about the NFL, where the players are well-compensated adults who know the risks, but the threat of concussions has to give parents pause about letting youth and children play.

"I want to make sure we are doing everything we can to make the sport safer, and that means the game's probably going to evolve a little bit," Obama said. "For those of us who like to see a big hit and enjoy the rock 'em, sock 'em elements of the game, we're probably going to be occasionally frustrated.

"But I do think we want to make sure that after people have played the game, that they're going to be OK," he said.



Associated Press

Boy Scouts recite the Scout Oath during the annual Boy Scouts Parade and Report to State in the House Chambers at the Texas capitol in Austin on Friday. President Barack Obama said Sunday that gays should be allowed in the Boy Scouts and women should be allowed in military combat roles.

NRA likens universal checks to gun registry

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The National Rifle Association's executive vice president continued to oppose background checks for all gun purchases despite polls indicating that most NRA members don't share his position.

The NRA's Wayne LaPierre said on "Fox News Sunday" that background checks for all gun purchases would lead to a national registry of gun owners. Critics say such a registry could lead to taxes on guns or to confiscation.

Mark Kelly, a gun owner and husband of Gabrielle Giffords, the former Arizona congresswoman who survived a 2011 shooting, asked LaPierre to listen to his members. He said the current system prevented 1.7 million gun purchases since 1999. However, those potential buyers had other options because many gun sales don't require a background check.

"Members of the NRA tend to be very reasonable on this issue," Kelly said, who also appeared on the Fox show.

As Congress responds to the spate of mass shootings in recent years, most notably the December massacre of 20 children and six adults in a school in Newtown, Conn., some are calling for a ban on certain semi-automatic weapons and on high-capacity ammunition magazines. However, calls for expanding background checks appear to have gained the most bipartisan support.

LaPierre said that requiring checks for all gun purchases would be a bureaucratic nightmare.

"It's going to affect only the law-abiding people," he said. "Criminals could care less.

LaPierre was pressed about his contention that gun checks would lead to a national registry, when no one from the Obama administration is calling for that.

Kerry makes calls abroad in first weekend on job

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — New Secretary of State John Kerry reached out to Israeli and Palestinian leaders in phone calls this weekend, assuring them the Obama administration will continue to pursue a Mideast peace agreement while recognizing the individual concerns on both sides.

Kerry told Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of his and President Barack Obama's commitment to support Israel's security and to pursue a lasting peace between Israelis and Palestinians. Netanyahu updated Kerry on his work to form a new government. They also discussed Iran and Syria, and pledged to work together closely.

Kerry commended the Israeli decision to release frozen tax revenues to the Palestinian Authority as an important step. Israel's monthly tax transfers to the Palestinians — the result of taxes and customs duties that Israel collects on behalf of the Palestinians — are a key element in the Palestinian government budget.

In his conversation Sunday with Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas, Kerry said Obama "is very interested in the peace process and aware of the economic hardships of the Palestinian people," Abbas spokesman Nabel Abu Rdeneh said. Rdeneh also noted that Kerry said he would visit the region for further talks with Abbas "to preserve the political path." No time was set for the visit.

The State Department said Kerry spoke of his personal commitment to peace between Israelis and the Palestinians. Kerry pledged to continue efforts with the Congress to release budget support funds for the Palestinian Authority and noted the positive step the Israelis had taken by releasing the tax revenues.

The department also said Kerry spoke with Israeli President Shimon Peres on Saturday about the formation of the country's new government, and said the two "exchanged views" on the peace process and regional matters.

On a busy first weekend as America's top diplomat, Kerry also:

■ Talked with Japanese Foreign Minister Fumio Kishida and agreed to work closely together to prepare for the visit of Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe to Washington later this month. He thanked Kishida for the role Japan plays in Afghanistan, Burma and in support of the Syrian opposition.

■ Talked with South Korean Foreign Minister Kim Sung-hwan and agreed on the need to ensure that North Korea understands that it will face significant consequences from the international community if it continues its provocative behavior.

■ Got an update from Turkey's foreign minister, Ahmet Davutoglu, about the investigation into Friday's suicide bombing at the U.S. Embassy in Ankara.

■ Spoke with Canadian Foreign Minister John Baird about Iran, Mali and the proposed Keystone XL pipeline that would run from Canada to Texas.

■ Spoke with Mexico's foreign minister, Jose Antonio Meade, about the deadly blast at the headquarters of Mexico's state-owned oil company.

■ Had lunch with George Shultz, secretary of state under President Ronald Reagan.

Kerry was sworn in Friday afternoon, succeeding Hillary Rodham Clinton in Obama's Cabinet.

Panetta: Politics at play last week in Hagel questioning

Assoaited Press

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Leon Panetta said "the political knives" came out when Chuck Hagel faced fellow Republicans on the Senate Armed Services Committee during his confirmation hearing to be Pentagon chief.

Panetta said he was disappointed that Thursday's eight-hour hearing focused so much on what Hagel, a former Republican senator from Nebraska, had said in the past about Iran, Israel and other matters instead of what he thinks about today's issues, including the war in Afghanistan, the fight against terrorism, and looming automatic budget cuts and their impact on military readiness.

"We just did not see enough time spent on discussing those issues. And in the end, that's what counts," Panetta told NBC's "Meet the Press" in an interview broadcast Sunday.

"It's pretty obvious that the political knives were out for Chuck Hagel," Panetta said.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, noting the lengthy hearing, said on ABC's "This Week," "give the guy a break. I thought he did pretty good." Reid, D-Nev., said Hagel's party affiliation "should be a plus. We need more."

Panetta said he is confident that Hagel is prepared to succeed him at the Pentagon.

In an appearance on CNN's "State of the Union," Panetta dismissed concerns that Hagel and former Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., who was sworn in Friday as secretary of state, agree with Obama's views to the point that they won't challenge the president.

"I've got to tell you, anybody who knows John Kerry and anybody who knows Chuck Hagel ... they push back. Believe me, they push back on the issues," he said. "In the situation room, everybody has to give their honest views. And I think they won't hesitate to give their honest views."

Two Republican senators, Thad Cochran of Mississippi and Mike Johanns of Nebraska, have said they will support Hagel's nomination. Johanns said Saturday his concerns were allayed after Hagel's Senate hearing and after he met with Hagel for an hour.

Bill would legalize Internet gambling across state lines

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — The nation's gambling capital is taking steps to make sure it is not dealt out of the lucrative online poker market as more states enter the bourgeoning industry.

Soon after the Nevada Legislature begins its four-month session on Monday, lawmakers are expected to begin debating a bill that would let companies offering online poker in Nevada accept wagers from players in other states.

Such betting is essentially banned in most of the nation, but several states, including California and New Jersey, are weighing bills that would legalize some types of online gambling. The Nevada proposal, known as Assembly Bill 5, is intended to position Nevada-based companies to expand their customer base as other states ease restrictions. It's one of a handful of gambling bills lawmakers will be asked to consider but it's by far the most important.

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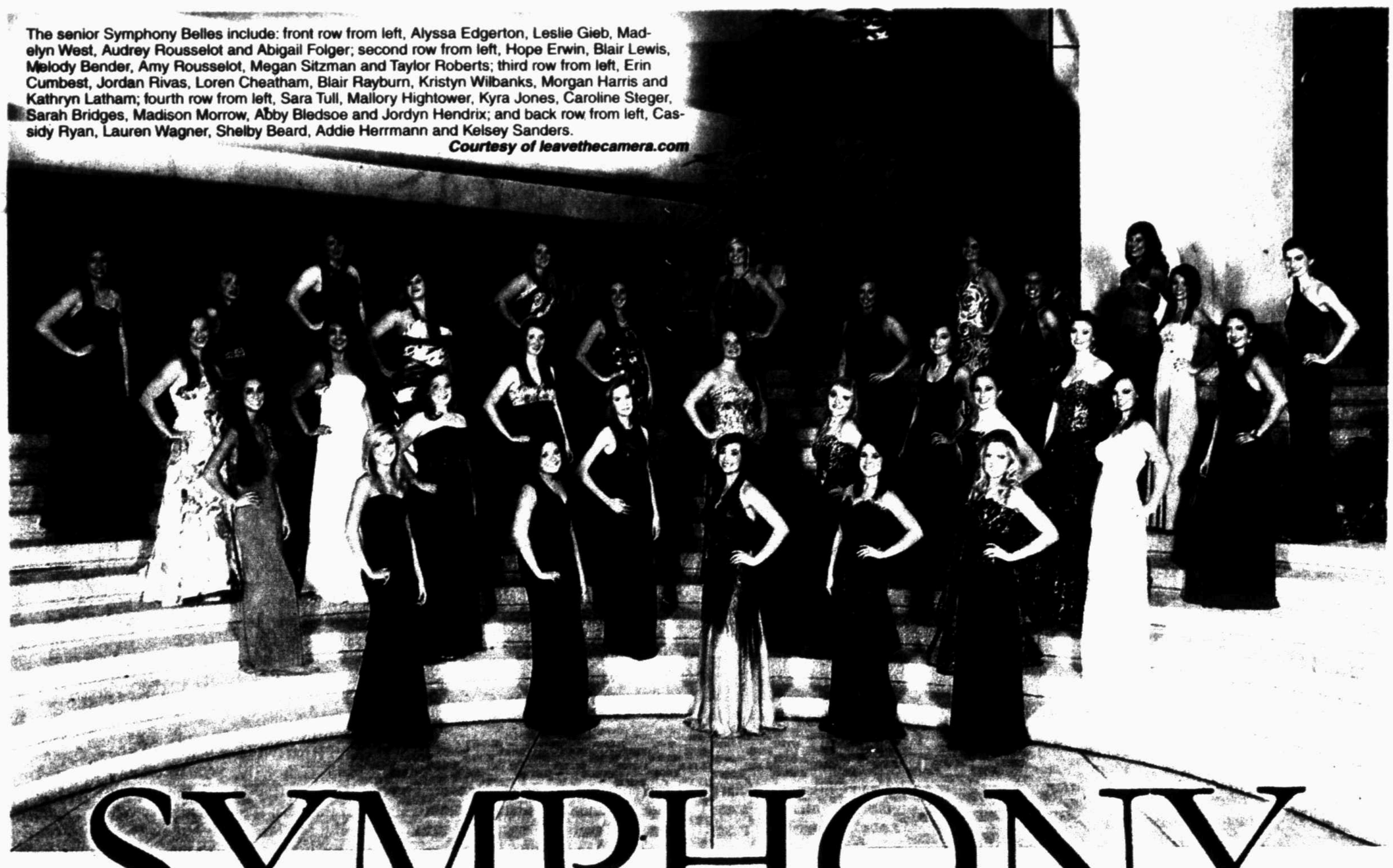

The senior Symphony Belles include: front row from left, Alyssa Edgerton, Leslie Gieb, Madelyn West, Audrey Rousselot and Abigail Folger; second row from left, Hope Erwin, Blair Lewis, Melody Bender, Amy Rousselot, Megan Sitzman and Taylor Roberts; third row from left, Erin Cumbest, Jordan Rivas, Loren Cheatham, Blair Rayburn, Kristyn Wilbanks, Morgan Harris and Kathryn Latham; fourth row from left, Sara Tull, Mallory Hightower, Kyra Jones, Caroline Steger, Sarah Bridges, Madison Morrow, Abby Bledsoe and Jordyn Hendrix; and back row from left, Cassidy Ryan, Lauren Wagner, Shelby Beard, Addie Herrmann and Kelsey Sanders.
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SYMPHONY BELLES

From staff reports

The 2013 Symphony Belles Gala was Friday and Saturday at Midland Center.

The seniors were presented Friday night, foliowed by a father/daughter dance.

The freshman belles were introduced Saturday at a luncheon, which was followed by a style show.

The weekend ended Saturday night with a ball for all the belles and their escorts or guests.

Thirty-nine seniors were presented.

SHELBY FAYTH BEARD, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dustin Beard.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a Texas Scholar and a member of the Dawg Pack.

She is involved in Young Life and volunteers at the Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center, Midland Community Theatre, Septemberfest and Rock The Desert Ministries.

Beard plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in business.

MELODY ANNE BENDER, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rick Bender and the granddaughter of Richard Bender and the late Rena Bender and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Moore.

She attends Lee High School, where she is orchestra president and a member of the choir, All-Region orchestra, Principal's Advisory Council and National Honor Society. She is an academic letterman.

She attends Crestview Baptist Church and participates in the Youth Praise Band as well as the Salsa Leadership Committee.

Bender plans to major in music education or social work.

ANNE CAROLINE BERGMAN, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bergman.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and Model Organization of American States team, Dawg Pack and Senior Girls. She is a Texas Scholar, academic and soccer letterman and is treasurer of the Student Council.

She is a member of First Baptist Church, is involved in Young Life and volunteers for Meals on Wheels.

Bergman plans to attend the University of Texas and major in business.

ABBY LOUISE BLEDSOE, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Bledsoe and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bledsoe and Jesse Cobb and Pat Cobb.

She formerly attended Midland Classical Academy but now attends Midland High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society, track team, Senior Girls and Dawg Pack and is yearbook editor. She is

Please see **BELLES**/2B

ABIGAIL FOLGER
Midland High School senior

Symphony Guild Belle program teaches values for a lifetime

As I'm writing this, I still cannot believe that it has been four whole years since I became a member of the Midland Symphony Guild's Belle program. I recall my freshman year, full of wonder at what my future would hold. I saw the senior belles and constantly admired and envied their beauty and maturity. It is crazy to think that I am now one of them, and will be walking down that runway so soon — time surely does fly.

I have always had an interest in volunteer work, which is the main reason that the belle program appealed to me. Over the past four years, the service projects provided me with 20 volunteer opportunities that I probably would not have received otherwise. The projects are diverse, ranging from face painting at Septemberfest to decorating for a Christmas-themed symphony concert. I have always thoroughly enjoyed helping out in my community. I have met many nice people and, of course, inevitably ran into current and past teachers while passing out

Please see **SENIOR**/4B

Students weigh in on gun debate, local petition

LINDSEY BELL

There has been a petition going around recently that would allow teachers in the Midland/Odessa area to carry concealed handguns. This has sparked much debate in the already lit fire of gun control. However, out of all the controversy, I have yet to hear the opinion of the younger generation that has been affected by this tragedy. I have asked fellow teens and combined their thoughts with mine to allow Midlanders a looking glass into the children they are trying to help.

The tragedy that occurred at Sandy Hook has questioned the nimble fabric of school security. There has been a thought that we should add armed security guards to schools in order to better protect the children. Yet, the point made by many fellow students, like Early College High School senior Margaret Ugalino, is, "I would feel uncomfortable with a person carrying an armed weapon even if they have good intentions." I agree with Ugalino's statement. I also agree with adults who say we are already in a debt crisis and have no room to employ a work force of security for schools. Although this seems like a good idea, it would just be more money wasted when we already have police officers who provide this service. If we are going to add funding to education, shouldn't that funding go to educate our students?

The other solution that seems possible in Midland/Odessa is the option for teachers to carry concealed handguns. I asked teens what their thoughts were on this. "I don't know about all teachers being allowed, but considering it is concealed, it would do better to keep the sound mind of the students," said ECHS senior Diane Vu.

I looked into this possibility and in my opinion, I think it would be a great idea. I too was a little uneasy, not knowing if all teachers were of sound mind and body. However, once I researched it more, there is a slim chance an unfit teacher could easily acquire a handgun license. In order to be certified as a teacher in Texas, a person must undergo a fingerprint scan and background check. Along with that is the course they must finish to obtain a concealed handgun license. The teachers would have to go through a class teaching

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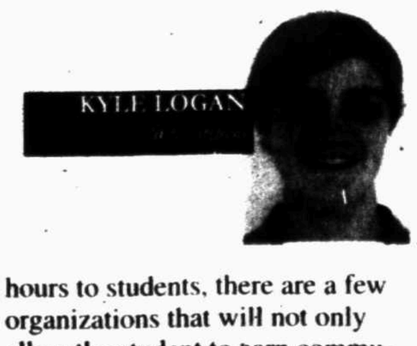
Various community service opportunities available for students



KYLE LOGAN

As the spring semester commences and graduation day for the class of 2013 approaches, many local high school seniors have been tasked with the challenge of completing their community service hours for various programs in a timely manner. Between such organizations like National Honor Society and Texas Scholars, high school students are in need for an abundance of community service hours. Luckily for the students, many organizations offer opportunities to earn these community service hours.

Among the many nonprofit and charitable organizations that offer hours to students, there are a few organizations that will not only allow the student to earn community service hours, but at the same time, appeal to their interests and provide them with a very reward-

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Emily Shuler, assistant editor and Morgan Worrell, editor of the Lee High School yearbook, talk with Caddie McCollum, Karsyn Bateman and her mother, Ashley Conner, during the Rebel Generations (open house) Jan. 29 for incoming freshmen and sophomores.

Tim Fischer
Reporter-Telegram

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The freshman Symphony Belles are: front row from left, Juleisa Carnero, Claire Smith, Brittany Bridges, Konner Wood, Emily Wickman, Lauren Rogers and Mills Hullender; second row from left, Sadie Van Schalkwyk, Katie Jones, Megan Flowers, Katie Robinson, Regan Holderness, Rebecca McCraney, Hanna Pierce, Kelsie Kennedy, Rachel Pitchford and Madison Roberson; third row from left, Mackenzie Kidwell, Amy Wilson, Jacee Holcomb, Sydney Good, Kristian Padilla, Kenzie Moore, Emily Key, Zoe Sapien, Kalley Hayes, Mackenzie McCoy and Lindsey Greenlee; and back row from left, Katy Sanders, Darby O'Grady, Madison Ford, Sarah Porter, Jaycie Brooks, Claire Crawford, Alissa Erdwurm and Claire Lancaster. Not pictured: Elizabeth Low.

Belles

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an academic letterman and Texas Scholar.

She is a member of Stonegate Fellowship where she volunteers with toddlers in Wee Gems and Young Life. She volunteers with Safe Place, Midland Community Theatre and Septemberfest.

Bledsoe plans to attend the University of Texas.

SARAH CAITLYN BRIDGES, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Bridges.

She attends Midland Christian School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society, is secretary of Student Council and captain of the cheerleading squad.

She is a member of First Baptist Church where she volunteers with vacation Bible school and is a member of the youth group and volunteers with Unlock Ministries and Breaking Bread Kitchen.

Bridges plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in pre-pharmacy.

BA'LEIGH ELIZABETH RACHEL BURNS, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Burns and granddaughter of Vera Jones.

She attends Trinity School, where she is a member of Senior Girls and choir.

She is a member of the Pickwick Players and is a member of Midland Festival Ballet. She organized a fire relief donation program and was recognized by the Permian Basin Area Foundation and Helping Hands. She volunteers with vacation Bible school at St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church, Bynum School and Safe Place.

Burns plans to attend TCU and study archaeology, psychology or dance.

LOREN HOPE CHEATHAM, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bryon Cheatham and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Troy Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cheatham.

She attends Midland Christian School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society, golf team, serves on the yearbook staff and participates in Bible study.

She is a member of the Golf Course Road Church of Christ and participates in the youth group and music ministry.

Cheatham plans to attend Harding University and major in pre-law.

ERIN MICHELLE CUMBEST, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cumbest Jr. and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cumbest Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Odie Hood.

She attends Lee High School, where she is a member of Student Council, PALS, Senior Girls, National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society. She is a soccer and academic letterman and a Texas Scholar.

She is a member of Christ Church Midland where she is an acolyte and a member of the T3 youth group. She volunteers with Habitat for Humanity and Midland Memorial Hospital.

Cumbest plans to attend West Texas A&M University and major in kinesiology.

ALYSSA ANN EDGERTON, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Edgerton.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Dawg Pack, the yearbook staff and track team. She is an academic letterman.

She participates in Young Life and attends Stonegate Fellowship.

Edgerton plans to attend the University of Oklahoma and major in journalism.

HOPE ELIZABETH ERWIN, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Erwin.

She attends Midland High School where she is a member of the National Honor Society, Latin Honor Society, Model Organization of American States team, Dawg Pack, newspaper staff and track team. She is a Texas Scholar and academic letterman.

She participates in Young Life and is a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church. She volunteers with SHINE Catholic Work Camp, Keep Midland Beautiful, Permian Basin Area Chapter of the American Red Cross and St. Ann's Family Fair.

Erwin plans to attend the University of Texas and major in business.

ABIGAIL MARIE FOLGER, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Folger.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, cheerleader squad, yearbook staff and Spanish Club. She is secretary of the Robotics Team and is an academic letterman.

She is involved in Teen CBS and volunteers with Midland SPCA, St. Ann's Family Fair, Muscular Dystrophy Association, Alzheimer's Association, American Diabetes Association, March of Dimes and Pennies for Patients.

Folger plans to attend The Tisch School of Arts at New York University.

LESLIE CATHERINE GIEB, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Gieb and Mr. and Mr. Larry Tharp.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of Dawg Pack and Senior Girls and is an academic letterman and Texas Scholar.

She is a member of Young Life and volunteers with Safe Place, Septemberfest and the Midland Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

Giebe plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in public relations.

MORGAN KATE HARRIS, 17, is the daughter of Cody Harris and Shanna Harris and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lockett.

She attends Greenwood High School, where she is a member of the yearbook staff, Interact, volleyball team and is captain of the golf team. She was named to the Academic All-District team in volleyball.

She volunteers at Greenwood Elementary School and is a member of First Baptist Church.

Harris plans to study physical therapy.

JORDYN ELIZABETH HENDRIX, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Hendrix.

She attends Midland High School, where she is vice president of the National Honor Society and president of the Latin Club, is a member of the Spanish Honor Society and Latin Honor Society and is an academic and golf letterman.

She volunteers at the Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center and is a member of St. Stephen's Catholic Church.

Hendrix plans to attend the University of Texas and major in political science and international relations.

ADDISEN JANE HERRMANN, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Herrmann.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society, Dawg Pack, volleyball team and D-FY-IT. She is an academic and volleyball letterman and Texas Scholar.

She volunteers at Safe Place.

Herrmann plans to attend Texas Christian University and major in international finance with an emphasis in real estate.

MALLORY ANNE HIGHTOWER, 18, is the daughter of Jim and Dr. Cheryl Hightower.

She attends Trinity School, where she is a member of the yearbook staff, National Honor Society, is president of the Spanish Honor Society and won state as a member of the tennis team. She is a Trinity Trustee Scholar and received the Trinity Alumni Scholarship.

She is a member of Golf Course Road Church of Christ.

Hightower plans to study business and foreign languages.

KATHARINE MACHELLE HUBBARD, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Craig Hubbard and the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hubbard III and Pat McMillan and the late Jack McMillan.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, Students in Philanthropy and Model Organization of American States team. She is an academic letterman and a Texas Scholar.

She is a member of St. Ann's Catholic Church, is involved in Young Life and volunteers with Midland Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, Meals on Wheels, Helping Hands and Midland Soup Kitchen.

Hubbard plans to major in communications.

KYRA MIKALA JONES, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jones and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Jones and the late Joe and Donna Jones.

She attends Greenwood High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society, Texas Thespian Association, participates in UIL and won the Presidential Scholar Award.

She is a member of the American Quarter Horse Association and volunteers at Safe Place, Midland Community Theatre and the West Texas Horse Rescue Foundation. She is a member of Greenwood Church of Christ, where she is a member of the youth group and helps with children's ministry.

Jones plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in fashion design.

MORGAN ELIZABETH KRATZER, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Kratzer.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, is an academic and tennis letterman, a Texas Scholar and is salutatorian for the Class of 2013. She received the Daughters of the American Revolution Citizenship Award and the DanKallas National Chemistry Award.

She is a member of Christ Church Midland and participates in Young Life.

Kratzer plans to attend Texas A&M University and major in psychology.

KATHRYN LYNN LATHAM, 18, is the daughter of Debbie Latham and the late Paul Latham and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Favor and the late Mr. and Mrs. Lindley Latham.

She attends Trinity School, where she is a prefect, vice president of Senior Girls Club and a member of the Student Council, cheerleading squad and yearbook staff.

She is a member of First Presbyterian Church and volunteers for Safe Place, Septemberfest and is a counselor for Unlock Ministries' Opportunity Camp.

Latham plans to attend Texas Tech University or University of Oklahoma.

BLAIR KERSTAN LEWIS, 18, is the daughter of Perry Lewis and the late Shelly Lewis and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Johannsen and Kermit Lewis.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of the soccer team, cross-country team, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and Students in Philanthropy. She is an academic letterman and a Texas Scholar.

She was the winner of the 2012 Stripes Midland Community Investment Grant and provided the underprivileged children at South Elementary with food for the Thanksgiving holiday. She is a member of First Baptist Church, where she volunteers as a day camp counselor and with vacation Bible school, participates in Teen CBS and volunteers at Breaking Bread Soup Kitchen.

Lewis plans to attend Tarleton State University and major in nursing.

MADISON BROOKE MORROW, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Morrow.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society, is an academic and soccer letterman and a Texas Scholar.

She is a member of Stonegate Fellowship and Young Life and volunteers at Safe Place, Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center, Midland Community Theatre, Celebration of the Arts and Septemberfest.

Morrow plans to attend the University of Oklahoma and major in education.

BRITTNEY FAURES RATHBONE, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Rathbone IV.

She attends Trinity School, where she is captain of the cheerleading squad, member of the Student Council, yearbook staff and Spanish Honor Society, is president of Senior Girls Club and is involved in Bible study.

She is a member of First Presbyterian Church where she is a member of the youth group.

Rathbone plans to attend Louisiana State University.

BLAIR KATHERINE RAYBURN, 17, is the daughter of Brandon Rayburn and Patti Rayburn and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eram Ali and Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Partain.

She attends Midland High School, where she is involved in the theatre arts program, is a member of the International Thespian Society and homecoming court and is an academic letterman and a Texas Scholar.

She attends Stonegate Fellowship and is a member of Young Life and volunteers at Safe Place and the Petroleum Museum.

Rayburn plans to attend Texas A&M University and major in business.

JORDAN BLAIR RIVAS, 17, is the daughter of Donny Rivas and Carol Rivas.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a Texas Scholar and a volleyball letterman.

She attends Stonegate Fellowship, is involved in Young Life and volunteers with Safe Place, Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center, Celebration of the Arts, Midland Community Theatre, Septemberfest, Helping Hands, MARC and Midland Children's Rehabilitaton Center.

Rivas plans to major in education.

ASHLIE TAYLOR ROBERTS, 18, is the daughter of Heather Roberts and Charles Roberts and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Whitehead and Kent Kelley and the late Jeanie Kelley.

She attends Lee High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society and academic decathlon team.

She attends Stonegate Fellowship and volunteers at Safe Place, Home Hospice, Christmas in Action and Celebrations of the Arts.

Roberts plans to attend Texas A&M University and major in engineering.

AMY LYNN ROUSSELOT, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rousselot and the granddaughter of Neva Rousselot and the late N.R. Rousselot and the late Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Pyeatt.

She attends Greenwood High School where she is a member of FCA, Student Council, Interact Club and is secretary of the National Honor Society. She is a member of the band, All-State Band and is a Texas Music Scholar.

She is a member of the Fairmont Park Church of Christ youth group and volunteers for Safe Place, Meals on Wheels, Adopt-a-Highway, Habitat for Humanity, Fairmont Park Work Camp, Celebration of the Arts and Septemberfest.

Rousselot plans to attend Harding University and major in biology.

AUDREY RENE' ROUSSELOT, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Rousselot and the granddaughter of Neva Rousselot and the late N.R. Rousselot and the late Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Pyeatt.

She attends Greenwood High School where she is a member of the Student Council, Interact, National Honor Society, cross-country team, FCA and cheerleading squad.

She is a member of the Fairmont Park Church of Christ youth group and volunteers for Safe Place, Meals on Wheels, Adopt-a-Highway, Habitat for Humanity, Celebration of the Arts, Septemberfest and Christmas in Action.

Rousselot plans to attend Abilene Christian University and major in kinesiology and minor in nutrition.

CASSIDY ANNE RYAN, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Ryan and the granddaughter of Donna McGaughey and the late Robert McGaughey and the great-granddaughter of Irene Strachan.

She attends Lee High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society, soccer and volleyball teams and Senior Girls. She is an academic, volleyball and soccer letterman, a Texas Scholar and a member of the state academic team in volleyball.

She attends Stonegate Fellowship and volunteers at Septemberfest, Celebration of the Arts, Stonegate Cafe, Safe Place and Friends of the Library.

Ryan plans to attend the University of Texas.

KELSEY MARYE SANDERS, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brent Sanders and the granddaughter of Mary Enox and the late Charles Enox and Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Sanders.

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STUDENTBIOS

KIRSTEN M. GEDDES, 17, is a homeschooled senior.

Interests: acting, singing, dancing and writing

Activities: Member of the Kaleidoscope Company teen theater troupe of the Permian Playhouse of Odessa

Where I see myself in 10 years: Probably living in Odessa, being either a writer for a newspaper or magazine, or education director for a theater. Or both!

LINDSEY BELL, 17, is a senior at Early College High School at Midland College.

Interests: I'm interested in music, art and design. I am not as creative or inventive as I would like to be, but I enjoy seeing others' accomplishments in these activities. It gives me inspiration and helps me achieve getting that much closer to being like those I look up to.

Activites: I enjoy hanging out with friends and family, running, working out, and traveling at new and different places.

Where I see myself in 10 years: In 10 years, I see myself far in my career of engineering. I will hopefully be traveling the world before I have to settle down.

ANNA CAIN, 17, is a senior at Trinity School.

Interests: history, politics, literature, popular fantasy series with no literary value

Activities/organizations: Midland Teen Court, peer tutoring, reading, writing

Where I see myself in 10 years: Living in a tiny house filled with books.

KYLE LOGAN, 16, is a junior at Midland High School.

Activities/Organizations: Academic Decathalon, Model Organization of American States (MOAS), staff reporter for The Bulldog, National Honor Society

Interests/Hobbies: Golf, tennis, watching movies, skiing, spending time with friends, listening to music, traveling, writing, and college football

Where I see myself in 10 years: In 10 years, I hope to have graduated from business school with a degree in finance or entrepreneurship along with a master's in business administration (MBA), and to be working as a financial analyst at an investment bank.

SERVICE

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ing experience.

The first of these organizations that students should consider is the Young Life Capernaum program. Many local teenagers already attend regular Young Life clubs, and may already be familiar with the mission of the Capernaum program. The goal of Capernaum is to offer those with special needs an opportunity to attend a Young Life club that is geared toward their own level of social development. Several students from both Midland High and Lee help out frequently at Capernaum, and many of them feel as if the experience is one of the most rewarding programs someone could come away with.

"Capernaum is rewarding because you get to interact with community members who are often discriminated against because they're seen as different," Raul Corrales, a Midland High School senior, said. "It's great to be able to play games, celebrate holidays, and just sit down and talk to them, all while teaching them about Christ."

Shane Christopher, the Midland Young Life leader, started the Capernaum program in Midland more than 12 years ago, and is always looking for more help with the club.

"Students are always welcome to volunteer their time and serve as Buddies for our special needs friends," Shane said. "Young Life Capernaum has events twice a month and is open to all members of the public to help out."

Another opportunity that offers teenagers a rewarding experience is volunteering at the local branch of the ASPCA or other various animal shelters. An emotional experience overall, helping out at animal shelters can turn out to be an equally rewarding experience as the aforementioned opportunity, while lacking the religious influence some may be uncomfortable with. The Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals is a local animal shelter that offers classes for at-risk youth and is always offering community service hours for students.

"Our dog trainer, Jane Severud, has started various classes for many different groups such as at-risk youth," Beth Clodfelter, the shelter manager said. "We are always looking for help and do offer community service hours for local teens."

Another community service opportunity for students is the Museum of the Southwest. Being a relatively large museum with various subject matters, the Museum of the Southwest is in need of help from several local teens.

"The Museum of the Southwest relies on volunteers for a variety of needs; they are a valuable resource for any nonprofit organization," Kristen Wagstrom, the museum's curator of education said. "We are a Legacy organization, therefore we work closely with students earning community service hours for Midland College. We also welcome any teens looking to get involved with their community by helping in the Children's Museum or Art Museum during special events."

For any additional information on any of these opportunities, contact the following organization members:

Young Life Capernaum: Shane Christopher, director, 683-5433.

Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals: Beth Clodfelter, shelter manager, 683-7387.

Museum of the Southwest: Kristen Wagstrom, curator of education, 683-2882.

GUNS

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them the very basics of using a firearm in certain situations. It is completely possible that someone could slip through the cracks of these tests, but that is a minor chance that I don't believe will happen. If that does occur we will look then into furthering legislation that makes more thorough investigations of people carrying concealed handguns.

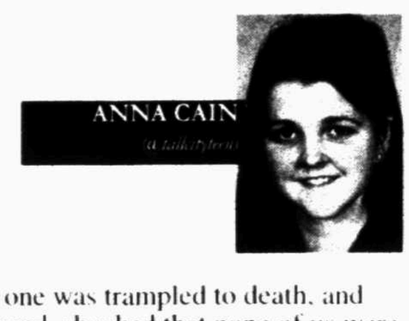
Another good statement made by Vu and many others was they would be uncomfortable knowing their teachers were armed. The petition clearly states that the teachers carrying a gun must wear clothes that completely conceal their firearms and have the gun on them at all times. The teachers may not leave these weapons in their desks or purses where a child may see and/or acquire the firearm. I believe this petition is just the thing we need to give people the feeling of safety they desire after the mass shootings that have occurred in America.

If you are interested in signing the petition, it is located at Bear Claw Knife & Shear, 403 Andrews Highway; TMP Hunting & Trailers, 2700 South Rankin Highway 349; and Between the Walls Guns, 1707 N. Big Spring St.

Photo by Anna Cain

Brandon Lee, Paul Dingus, Brantley Harrington and Morgan Pruett at the Museum of Natural History.

Trinity students have 'unforgettable' experience at inauguration



ANNA CAIN

On Martin Luther King weekend, while most people were relaxing at home, a small group of students, teachers and parents from Trinity traveled to Washington to watch the inauguration of our 44th president. It was unlike any trip we had ever taken. That weekend, we braved freezing temperatures, thick crowds, ridiculous security measures and frustrating technical difficulties in order to watch history. Though the trip was at some points a comedy of errors, it was no doubt unforgettable.

We spent the first few days of the trip visiting museums and monuments, seeing the sights of DC, and waiting for Monday's inauguration to arrive. For many people, the Smithsonian day was the highlight of the trip. We wound through exhibits on everything from dresses of the first ladies to pirate weaponry in the Museum of American History; posed in front of a T-Rex skeleton and braved the "Insect Zoo" at the Museum of Natural History; and enjoyed a wonderful trip to the gift shop at the Air and Space Museum. Unfortunately, we were by that point too tired to actually tour the Air and Space Museum itself.

The day closed with a night tour of famous sights like the Lincoln Monument and Vietnam Memorial. Our tour ended with a spectacular visit to the World War II Memorial, which we miraculously had all to ourselves. Fearing that the escape from crowds was a bit too miraculous, one of the teacher sponsors went investigating around the monument itself. He was almost arrested. Unbeknownst to us, we had somehow crossed a secure perimeter set up for the protection of visiting dignitaries. Because the perimeter actually surrounded the monument itself, we were not allowed to leave. While we sat on the steps of the World War II Memorial, our bus made wide circles around the monument, tempting us with its heated interior and cushioned seats. Somehow, in a blur of motion that still stuns me, the tour guide gave the order for us to run past the police and into the bus. I am, first, shocked that no one was trampled to death, and second, shocked that none of us were arrested. I am convinced that for the rest of my life, I will never be able to think about that memorial without cracking a smile.

After the night's misadventures, we were all excited about Inauguration Day. Although these crowds were only half the size of those in 2009, we still shared the day with hundreds of thousands of other people. Our bus dropped us off on the outskirts of DC, and we walked deeper into the city until we made it to the National Mall. For most of our walk, we were practically alone. However, when we reached the mall, there was a veritable wall of people walking down one of the major streets. They were pressed shoulder to shoulder and stretched out of sight. It was a truly extraordinary scene. By crossing another secure perimeter, we somehow managed to score an excellent spot on the Mall. We sat just to the right of the Washington Monument, and we had a clear view of a large Jumbotron.

Although we had to sit outside for several hours in temperatures barely above freezing, the wait passed quickly. We played music and word games, and we soaked up the incredible energy on the Mall. Additionally, we had time to marvel at the incredibly tacky gear. In an attempt to capitalize on the historic occasion, hundreds of vendors fanned out over the Mall with any Obama merchandise you could ever want. Interestingly, the products seemed to grow tackier the closer one got to the center of the action. On the outskirts of the mall, vendors hawked simple Obama T-shirts, "official" inauguration buttons and programs, and photographs of the president with his family. However, the vendors further in the Mall sold items like plastic Obama masks, (which were probably a security hazard) T-shirts that had photoshopped the president into movie posters, Obama drink cozies and other items that cannot be mentioned in good taste.

As the appointed hour drew closer, the energy on the Mall grew even more intense. When President Obama appeared, the applause on the Mall was thunderous. When the Clintons arrived, the applause was far louder. And when Beyoncé arrived, the applause was so deafening it put the others to shame. However, during the first speech, our giant Jumbotron began to have serious audio and visual troubles. Sound would cut in and out mid-word, and the screen might show two images jumbled on top of each other. People booed, heckled and searched for someone in charge to blame. We actually thought it was hilarious. The malfunctioning Jumbotron added a surprising bit of humor to what is normally a far too straight-laced affair. For example, when a politician assured us that this inauguration would "make your heart beat faster," the broken audio made it seem like he said the inauguration would "make your heart fester." Ultimately, once the sound and audio deteriorated even further, our entire group left the inauguration and spent the rest of the day at another museum.

In some ways, the trip sounds like a let-down. We did a ridiculous amount of walking, nearly got arrested at the World War II memorial and left the inauguration before President Obama could make his speech or Beyoncé could sing the national anthem. However, to the best of my knowledge, we all had a great time. Our misadventures made hilarious stories later on, and we all became closer as a group. Additionally, we got to experience the hope and optimism of the crowds on the National Mall. The people there believed in America, even when America could not provide a working Jumbotron.

Consider safety, expenses when shopping for first car

KIRSTEN GEDDES

Getting your first car can be an exciting, and sometimes scary, experience. Many parents buy their teenager's car for them, and surprise them so that the kids have no idea what car they get. If you are involved in the purchasing of your car, especially if you are paying for it yourself, it is important to know what to look for in your first vehicle.

The most important thing to take into account when buying your car is safety. Some people, like me, prefer a smaller vehicle to drive, but size is important for keeping you safe in an accident. Choose something you can control, but will give you enough material around you so you will have a buffer between you and other vehicles. Also, inspecting the engine and the body before you buy it will help keep you safe while driving. Look for smoke coming from the muffler for more than the first few seconds after you start it up, as well as leak spots underneath the car. Crusty or corroded spots around hoses can be a bad sign, as well as loose components in the engine or around the battery. In West Texas, between the dirt and the wind, most cars will be dusty underneath the hood. The dust itself should not hurt the engine, so this particular occurrence is not a safety issue, just a nuisance.

Another thing to take into account is the future expenses. Having a mechanic look at your possible purchase will help you determine potential problems you will have to repair, like heater issues or front-end alignment troubles. Knowing the miles per gallon your car gets, will allow you to plan for what your gas consumption will cost. The price for the type of tires, as well as their durability and the roads you drive on, can help you estimate future tire costs. Inspections and oil changes are things that need to occur regularly and can be easily determined based on where you plan to take your car for these types of repairs and issues. Altogether, planning your future expenses can go a long way to helping you decide which car will be right for you.

The majority of Americans do not pay the full price for their vehicles at one time. Many finance either through the auto dealer or with a loan at their bank. If you are buying your car yourself and have to get a loan to pay for the car, the most important thing to do is to make sure you can afford the monthly payments. Choose the amount of time that best fits your financial needs. It is better to always make smaller payments and double up when you can afford it, than to have several large payments you might not be able to make each month. Also, making a large down payment decreases the amount you will have to pay because of the smaller amount of interest charged on a loan. At least $1,000-$2,000, depending on the full price of the car, is a sizeable down payment for a used vehicle that will become your first car.

Overall, the most important thing you can do when looking for your first vehicle is make sure you have examined all of your options. Certain cars will stand out to you, and every used vehicle will have a few issues, either with the engine or body or with interior things like the seats, radio or other minor cosmetic pieces. If you jump on the first car you see, you might not know what other vehicles are out there. Try not to be discouraged if every car you look at has a small issue. Knowing what you need, what you want and what you can afford will keep you on track and make your first experience of purchasing a vehicle much less scary.

SENIOR

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programs at Midland Community Theatre.

Midland has been my home for 14 years and has given me both my dearest friends and my fondest memories. I am so thankful to have had the opportunity to give back to this town for all that it has given me.

I think I can speak for every belle when I say that Belle Ball is one of the most exciting perks of being a member. Not only is it a fantastic excuse to buy a new dress, but it is also a fun opportunity to be able to dress up and dance with friends. Since Midland High does not have many school dances or formals, the belle program has really helped fulfill that aspect of my high school experience.

The decorations are gorgeous and, year after year, I always find about 20 pieces of clothing from the style show that I just have to have. I made so many wonderful memories during the ball, and can hardly believe that this weekend will be my last time to slip on my new dress and head to Midland Center.

This program has helped every one of the belles to grow in a positive way. We are taught to be the "good Samaritan" and to uphold strong morals. The belle moms stress to us the importance of acting like a lady and how we can be positive role models to the younger girls in our community, just as the belle moms have been role models to us. Having two younger sisters, I believe that having strong role models is extremely important and am so happy that I have been taught to be a positive influence on my siblings. I am proud to be part of a program that demonstrates that reward is given to those who make a difference in their community. I feel confident that I can carry on this lifestyle as I enter into the next stage of my life. I can arrive at college knowing the value of volunteer work and helping people. I also plan on upholding the morals taught to me in the program, and hope to inspire others to do the same.

As I walk down that runway for the final time, I am sure that I will be reflecting on all of the happy memories I have made in my years as a belle. The program may be technically over, but I absolutely plan on carrying on the values it has taught me. They will be with me for the rest of my life. I am so thankful for the symphony guild, the belle moms, the other belles, and my own mom for being such a positive and memorable part of my growing-up process.

BELLES

From 2B

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society and Students in Philanthropy and is an academic letterman and Texas Scholar.

She is involved in Teen Community Bible Study, is a member of Stonegate Fellowship and volunteers at Safe Place, Midland Soup Kitchen and Habitat for Humanity.

Sanders plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in business.

PEYTON ELIZABETH SCHULZ, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Schulz and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Schulz.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of Student Council, Model Organization of American States team, National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society. She is an academic letterman, a Texas Scholar and was voted Miss Integrity.

She volunteers at Safe Place, Septemberfest, Celebration of the Arts, Midland Community Theatre, Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, Keep Midland Beautiful, SPCA, MCC Food Pantry and Toys for Tots.

Schulz plans to major in chemistry.

MADISON LEIGH SCRIBNER, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Scribner.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society, Model Organization of American States team and is chaplain of Student Council and captain of the soccer team. She is a Texas Scholar and an academic and soccer letterman.

Scribner attends Stonegate Fellowship, is a member of Young Life and volunteers at Midland Teen Court, Safe Place, Meals on Wheels and Septemberfest.

Scribner plans to attend Texas A&M University and major in human resource development.

MEGAN ELIZABETH SITZMAN, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sitzman and the granddaughter of Bernice Sitzman and the late Mr. and Mrs. Richard Folger.

She attends Greenwood High School, where she is a member of Students in Philanthropy, is president of the National Honor Society and is band captain. She is a member of All-Region and All-State bands and is a Texas Music Scholar.

She volunteers at Lone Star Animal Sanctuary, Safe Place and the St. Ann's Family Fair.

Sitzman plans to attend Oklahoma State University and major in biochemistry and molecular biology.

CAROLINE MICHELLE STEGER, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Steger.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society, yearbook staff, Senior Girls and is an academic letterman and a Texas Scholar.

She volunteers with Septemberfest, Celebration of the Arts, Safe Place, Keep Midland Beautiful, Midland Community Theatre and the American Diabetes Association. She participates in Teen CBS and is a member of First Presbyterian Church, where she was a member of JOLT Bible Study and volunteers with vacation Bible school.

Steger plans to attend Texas Tech University.

ZUREYMA YANELIE THOMPSON, 17, is the daughter of the Rev. and Mrs. Walter Thompson and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Thompson.

She attends Trinity School, where she is vice president of the Spanish Honor Society, president of the choir and is involved in Bible study.

She is member of First Presbyterian Church youth group and participates in the Element program. She volunteers at Safe Place and Keep Midland Beautiful.

Thompson plans to attend the University of Oklahoma or Gordon College.

SARA LYNN ASHLEY TULL, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Tull.

She attends Trinity High School, where she is captain of the cheerleading squad, president of Senior Girls Club, vice president of Student Council and is a cheerleading letterman.

Sara is a member of Stonegate Fellowship and volunteers for Rock the Desert Ministries, Buckner International and Breaking Bread Soup Kitchen.

Tull plans to attend Texas Tech University and major in art or public relations.

LAUREN ELIZABETH WAGNER, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Wagner and the granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. Laurence McMakin, Johnna Curle, Lissa Noel Wagner and the late Cyril Wagner Jr.

She attends Trinity School, where she is class president and a member of the National Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society. She is a recipient of the Anne Lewis De Compiegne Art Award 2012 and the Trinity Trustee Scholars Award 2012.

Wagner volunteers at Safe Place, Midland Community Theatre and Septemberfest.

She plans to attend the University of Oklahoma.

MADELYN RUTH WEST, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Greg West.

She attends Midland Christian School, where she is a member of Student Council, D-FY-IT, Spanish Club and cheerleading squad and is a Texas Scholar.

She is involved in Bible study, volunteers with Unlock Ministries and is a member of First Baptist Church where she is involved in the student ministry and vacation Bible school.

West plans to attend East Texas Baptist University and major in marketing.

KRISTYN ELIZABETH WILBANKS, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Wilbanks and the granddaughter of Hazel Wilbanks and the late Bruce Wilbanks and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Patrizi.

She attends Midland High School, where she is a member of the National Honor Society and basketball team and is an academic, basketball and track letterman and a Texas Scholar.

She is a member of First Presbyterian Church and volunteers at Midland Community Theatre, Safe Place and Septemberfest.

Wilbanks plans to attend Texas A&M University and major in business finance.

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MIDLAND FAMILY CARE

Seniors may be at greater risk for the flu

By Lyden Odukwu, M.D

This year seems to be a particularly bad one for the flu, especially in certain areas of the country. If you are a senior adult, you may be at extra risk of getting the flu—and if you get the flu, you could have it worse than younger people.

LYDEN ODUKWU, M.D.

As with other health issues as we age, our immune systems tend to get weaker, making us more susceptible to all infections. That weakened immune system also means seniors' bodies have a harder time fighting the flu once it starts.

In fact, more than 90 percent of all flu deaths and more than 50 percent of flu-related hospitalizations occur in those aged 65 and up. This makes flu prevention a very high priority!

Health care professionals recommend that everyone, particularly those over 65, get a seasonal flu shot—and they are available in this area. A flu shot provides immunity from three kinds of flu. They typically take two weeks to generate sufficient antibodies in your system, so getting one as soon as possible is a good idea.

There are other precautions that can be taken as well. Flu.gov offers these tips:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water or an alcohol-based hand rub.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth. Germs spread this way.
- Try to avoid close contact with sick people.
- Practice good health habits. Get plenty of sleep and exercise, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat healthy food.
- Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze. Throw the tissue in the trash after you use it.

If you are sick with flu-like illness, stay home for at least 24 hours after your fever is gone without the use of fever-reducing medicine.

If you get the flu, make an appointment with your physician as soon as possible.

Midland Family Care, with Dr. Lyden Odukwu, is located at 3305 Andrews Highway. The phone number is 620 0525. They accept most insurance.

Pennyrich has your Valentine's lingerie

Are you ready for Valentine's Day? And how do you define "being ready?"

If it involves getting something "for his eyes only," then The Pennyrich Shop is where to find just what he will like. Whatever look catches his eye, you'll find just the thing at Pennyrich.

Owner Sharon Wilcox, a trained consultant, has lots of choices in lingerie, and she can help you find something that will help you feel confident and sexy. Sizes run from small to 6X.

Sharon has seen an increase in Valentine's Day weddings in recent years, so if you need a corset, strapless bra or other wedding undergarments, go by and see what she has. Many items take awhile to arrive at the shop, so you really want to stop in if you're getting married any time this spring!

For everyday undergarments, remember that Pennyrich has just about the best selection of Spanx seamless underwear in town. Sharon always has lots of sizes in stock—from small to 3X—in a variety of undergarments.

Sexy lingerie is something YOU wear but it's really for HIM. See what he would like at The Pennyrich Shop, 311 Dodson Street in Old Town Midland.

If you are planning a spring break cruise or some other exciting warm-weather getaway, remember that Pennyrich has swimsuits all year long. These are the kind that cover up more than they show. Plus, all Pennyrich swimsuits are mastectomy prosthesis friendly.

Speaking of mastectomy products, Pennyrich is also the best place for those. Getting a prosthesis is a huge step in recovering from the trauma of a mastectomy—and is often vital in restoring self esteem.

Remember Pennyrich when you're looking for that special lingerie for him and you!

The Pennyrich Bra and Lingerie Shop is located in Old Town Midland at 311 Dodson Street. The shop has served the area for over 30 years, carrying a complete line of breast prostheses, bras, mastectomy bras, lingerie and swimsuits. The shop is open Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday from noon to 4:00 p.m. The phone number is 683-1045.

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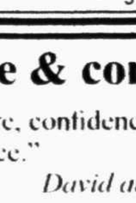
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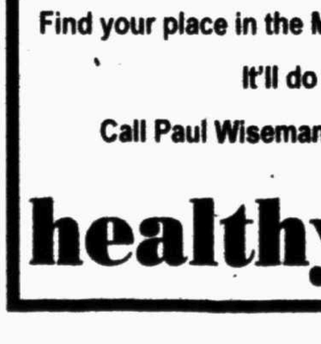
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The superior Harbaugh

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Baltimore Ravens head coach John Harbaugh holds the Vince Lombardi Trophy as he celebrates the team's 34-31win against the San Francisco 49ers in the Super Bowl on Sunday in New Orleans.

Ravens overcome 49ers rally to win Super Bowl

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — From blowout to blackout to shootout, Joe Flacco and the Baltimore Ravens had just enough power to survive one of the most electric Super Bowls ever.

The outage flipped the momentum to the San Francisco 49ers, but the Ravens used a last-gasp defensive stand to hold on Sunday night, 34-31.

America's biggest sporting event came to a half-hour standstill in the third quarter when most of the Superdome lights and the scoreboards went dark. By then, the Ravens had a 22-point lead.

Everything changed after that, though, and the 49ers staged a sensational rally before Ray Lewis and Co. shut it down. But there were plenty of white-knuckle moments and the Ravens (14-6) had to make four stops inside their 7 at the end.

For a Super Bowl with so many subplots, it almost had to end this way.

Flacco's arrival as a championship quarterback coincides with Lewis' retirement — with a second Super Bowl ring no less. The win capped a sensational month since the star linebacker announced he was leaving the game after 17 Hall of Fame-caliber years.

The sibling rivalry between the coaching Harbaughs went to John, older than Jim by 15 months.

"How could it be any other way? It's never pretty. It's never perfect. But it's us," John Harbaugh said. "It was us today."

At 4 hours, 14 minutes, it was the longest Super Bowl ever. Among the most thrilling, too.

The loss of power delayed the game 34 minutes and left players from both sides stretching and chatting with each other. It also cost Baltimore whatever momentum it built, and that was considerable after Jacoby Jones' 108-yard kickoff return and Flacco's three touchdown passes made it 28-6.

Flacco's big start boosted him to the MVP award.

"They have to give it to one guy and I'm not going to complain that I got it," said Flacco, who soon will get a rich new contract. His current deal expired with this win.

Down by three TDs, back came San Francisco (13-5-1) in search of its sixth Lombardi Trophy in as many tries.

Michael Crabtree's 31-yard touchdown reception on which he broke two tackles made it 28-13. A couple minutes later, Frank Gore's 6-yard run followed a 32-yard punt return by Ted Ginn Jr., and the 49ers were within eight.

Ray Rice's fumble at his 24 led to David Akers' 34-yard field goal, but Baltimore woke up for a long drive leading to rookie Justin Tucker's 19-yard field goal.

San Francisco wasn't done challenging, though, and Colin Kaepernick's 15-yard

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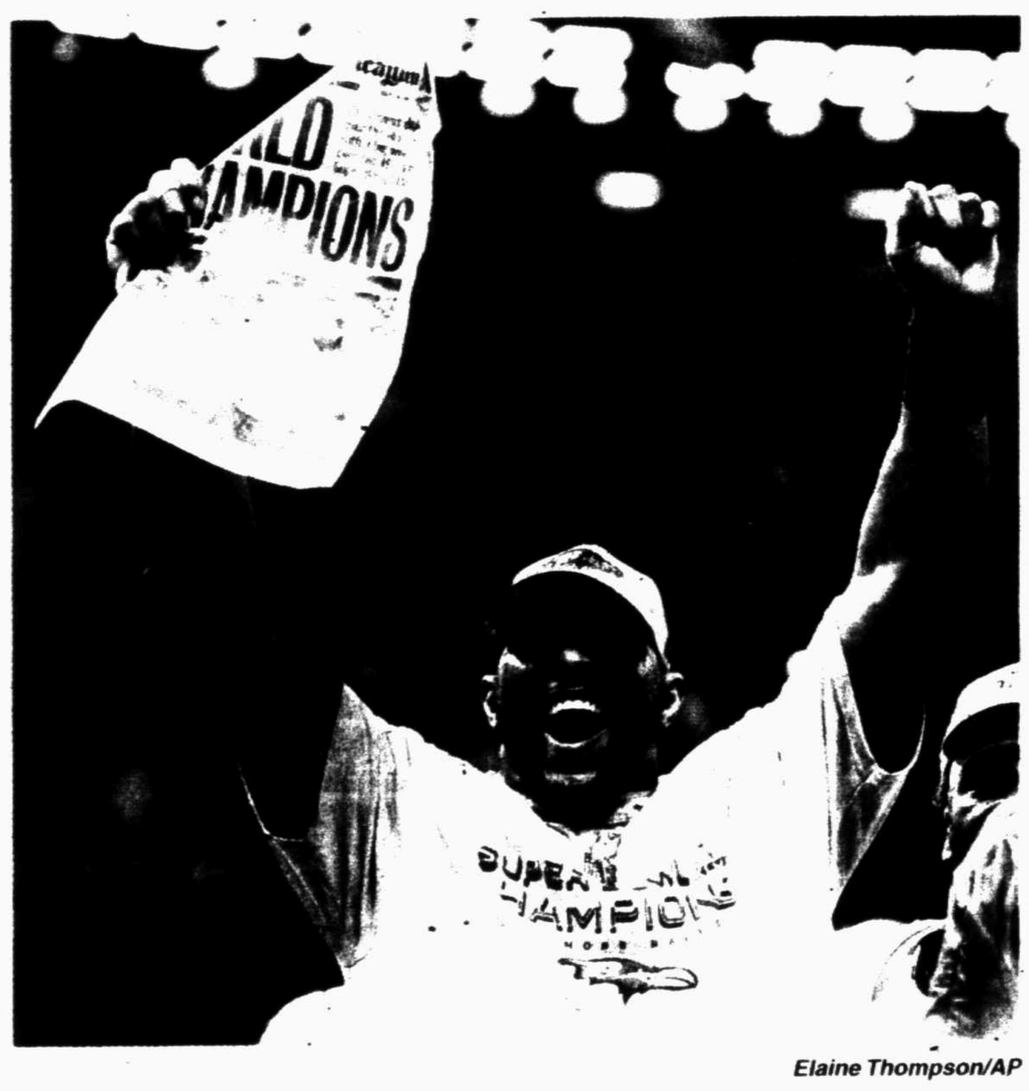

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Baltimore linebacker Ray Lewis holds up a newspaper after the Ravens defated the San Francisco 49ers in the Super Bowl on Sunday in New Orleans. The Ravens won, 34-31.

Lewis ends brilliant career with title

By David Ginsburg
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Ray Lewis will ride into retirement as a champion.

Baltimore's standout middle linebacker began his final night on the football field with a motivational speech to his teammates. He ended it looking upward into a shower of silver streamers and purple confetti after the Ravens beat the San Francisco 49ers 34-31 Sunday night to win the Super Bowl.

"It's simple: When God is for you, who can be against you?" Lewis said, clutching the Lombardi Trophy. "It's no greater way, as a champ, to go out on your last ride with the men that I went out with, with my teammates. And you looked around this stadium and ... Baltimore! Baltimore! We coming home, baby! We did it!"

Standing tall in the middle of a defense that survived a frenzied comeback by Colin Kaepernick and the 49ers, Lewis put a lovely bow on his 17th NFL season by earning his second Super Bowl ring — 12 years after the first.

When Lewis first led Baltimore to Super Bowl glory, he was a 25-year-old at the height of his game. A terror in the middle of the best defense in the league, Lewis was voted MVP after the Ravens beat the New York Giants 34-7 to earn their first championship.

On Sunday night, Lewis and his defense played a supporting role to Joe Flacco and the offense.

The 37-year-old Lewis had only two solo tackles through the first three quarters and sometimes struggled to cover receivers venturing into his area. Wide receiver Michael Crabtree caught a 19-yarder on San Francisco's second series, and tight end Vernon Davis eluded Lewis twice before making second-quarter catches.

Lewis did, however, made two tackles during the 49ers' final drive. San Francisco had a fourth-and-goal from 5 when Lewis charged in on a blitz. He didn't get to Kaepernick, but the quarterback's pass sailed out of the end zone.

After amassing a team-high 44 tackles in Baltimore's first three playoff wins,

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Midland College's Corey Hilliard takes the ball down the court against New Mexico Junior College Thursday at Chaparral Center.

Clutch plays become more frequent for MC's Hilliard

By Oscar LeRoy
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Corey Hilliard made it clear that his biggest objective with the Midland College men's basketball team is to win.

Whether he has 15 points or no points, five assists or none at all or whether he plays the point guard position or the shooting guard spot doesn't matter to Hilliard.

The Game
HOWARD COLLEGE AT MIDLAND COLLEGE
When: 7:45 p.m. today
Where: Chaparral Center

"I just want to do whatever it takes to win. At the end of the day, when we come out a winner I'm happy," said the 6-foot-3 sophomore transfer guard from Kansas City, Mo.

And lately, winning is what the Chaps have done as they are on a four-game winning streak heading

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James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland College's Catherine Kruschke comes down with a rebound in front of New Mexico Junior College's Valerie Barriga Thursday at Chaparral Center.

Kruschke's endless hustle pays off for Lady Chaps

By Oscar LeRoy
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In the last meeting against Howard College in early January, Catherine Kruschke had a big bucket to lift her Midland College women's basketball team to a come-from-behind 56-54 victory.

While the shot in the paint with three seconds remaining was huge for her team to get Western Junior College Athletic Conference play kicked off on the right note, Kruschke said it would have never been possible without her hustle.

The Game
HOWARD COLLEGE AT MIDLAND COLLEGE
When: 5:45 p.m. today
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"Without me running the floor, it probably wouldn't have happened," said the 6-foot freshman forward from Dublin, Calif. "Coach has always told

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MC BASKETBALL TODAY

BY OSCAR LEROY

Women

HOWARD COLLEGE AT MIDLAND COLLEGE

When/where: 5:45 p.m., Chaparral Center

Records: Midland College 18-5, 6-1 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Howard College 14-8, 3-4

Last game: Midland College 78, New Mexico JC 54; Howard College 73, Frank Phillips 43

Notes & quotes: Midland College looks to take a 1/2 game lead over idle South Plains College in the WJCAC standings, while Howard College sits on the outside looking in for one of four regional qualifying berths out of the WJCAC. ... The Lady Chaps won the first meeti ng, 56-54, in Big Spring on Ja n. 7 and MC coach Ron Jones expects another tough game against the Hawks. "It seems like every game is important and we certainly consider Howard an important game and a good rivalry," Jones said. "They've won two in a row and they're about eight possessions away from being 7-0 in conference and that's the way I look at it. They've had a lot of close games in conference." ... MC comes in with a five-game winning streak after a dominating victory over NMJC on Thursday. Five Lady Chaps scored in double figures, led by Tia Dixon with 15 points and Achiri Ade, who had her 13th double-double of the season with 12 points and 13 rebounds. Meghan Braeuer had 12 points, Diamalieses Rivera had 12 points and Catherine Kruschke added 10 points. ... Howard is led by 5-foot-8 sophomore G Marion Lemonnier and 5-7 freshman G Destinee Thrash, as both are averaging a little more than 10 ppg.

Next: South Plains College at Midland College, 5:45 p.m. Thursday; Howard College at Clarendon College, 5:45 p.m. Thursday

Men

NO. 16 HOWARD COLLEGE AT MIDLAND COLLEGE

When/where: 7:45 p.m., Chaparral Center

Records: Midland College 14-5, 5-3 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Howard College 19-3, 6-2

Last game: Midland College 71, New Mexico JC 68; Howard College 94, Frank Phillips 69

Notes & quotes: Midland and Howard begin the second half of WJCAC play with a lot at stake for both teams. MC is in a tie for the fourth and final playoff spot with South Plains College, while Howard is tied with Odessa College for second place. ... The Chaparrals are coming off an upset victory over NMJC as they overcame 21 turnovers and a 25-for-43 showing at the free-throw line. Justin Coleman led MC with a game-high 34 points, Corey Hilliard added 11 and Tiegbe Bamba added 10 points and nine rebounds. ... MC coach Chris Craig said Howard is playing well and a key for his team is to try to contain 6-foot-7 freshman forward Cameron Forte, who is averaging 21.9 ppg. In addition to Forte, 6-2 sophomore G Phillip Miller is averaging 14 ppg, while 6-4 sophomore G Jacob Thomas is chipping in with 13.7 ppg for the Hawks. "Forte has had an unbelievable year for them," Craig said. "We also have to defend their shooters. They're playing a little faster as of late, so we have to do a job on transition defense. It will be a tough test for us." ... MC defeated Howard, 81-69, in the first meeting on Jan. 7 as MC pulled away late in the game and took advantage of missed shots and turnovers by the Hawks. ... Craig said it's important for his team to keep its focus during this winning streak and tough stretch in WJCAC play. "I've been telling the guys that we've won four in a row, but all we've done is help us keep pace (with the rest of the league)," Craig said. "It's big for us to not be satisfied. We need to play as hard as we did after we lost three in a row."

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Statistics

Midland College Women (18-5, 6-1)

Player	GP	FG	FT	FTA	Pts.	Avg.	Reb.	RPG
Achiri Ade	19	112	50	88	274	14.4	239	12.6
Meghan Braeuer	23	85	63	77	229	10.0	62	2.7
Catherine Kruschke	23	79	68	129	226	9.8	181	7.9
Tia Dixon	22	61	34	48	194	8.8	69	3.1
Darnetta Jackson	23	69	17	33	164	7.1	111	4.8
Dameshea Canalles	23	69	19	34	167	7.3	81	3.5
Diamalises Rivera	22	54	34	58	142	6.5	119	5.4
Femke Vaandrager	23	31	36	62	98	4.3	128	5.6
Chanelle DiCroce	22	27	20	28	81	3.7	49	2.2
Sabrina Ochoa	21	26	9	20	77	3.7	31	2.2
Curtiesha Woods	15	16	5	8	44	2.9	23	1.5
Gabriela Martins	23	12	10	12	41	1.8	48	2.1
Totals	23	621	365	597	1,737	75.5	1,263	54.9

3-point goals (130) -- Dixon 38, Braeuer 36, Ochoa 16, Canales 10, Jackson 9, Woods 7, Martins 7, DiCroce 6

Midland College Men (14-5, 5-3)

Player	GP	FG	FT	FTA	Pts.	Avg.	Reb.	RPG
Justin Coleman	18	111	54	75	298	16.5	110	6.1
Kiwi Gardner	14	46	51	69	160	11.4	38	2.7
Tiegbe Bamba	18	75	41	72	203	11.3	139	7.7
Aly Ahmed	19	55	35	60	145	7.6	134	7.1
Gary Akbar	19	51	41	80	143	7.5	93	4.9
Corey Hilliard	15	33	30	40	112	7.5	31	2.1
Colen Weissby	19	36	7	14	107	5.6	50	2.6
Willis Nicholson	17	23	35	46	88	5.2	29	1.7
Ede Egharevba	17	27	8	14	77	4.5	39	2.3
Anthony Norris	9	15	6	9	38	4.2	27	3.0
Brandon Ludlas	15	28	5	9	51	3.4	29	1.9
Shevon Thompson	13	12	4	12	28	2.2	18	1.4
DJ Bellingsley	13	5	4	7	14	1.1	10	0.8
Brandon Maclin	7	0	0	0	0	0.0	3	0.4
Totals	19	509	321	509	1,464	77.1	785	43.8

3-point goals (125) -- Weasby 28, Coleman 22, Gardner 17, Hilliard 16, Egharevba 15, Bamba 12, Nicholson 7, Lucas 6, Norris 2

KRUSCHKE

From 1C

me to run the floor, because you can get easier layups in transition, so I always run the floor."

If one ever watches Kruschke on the court, the most notable part of her game is her non-stop motor. She's always hustling to get that loose ball rebound, sets screens for her teammates and does her best to stop the other team's post players.

"I think she just competes every possession and every game and she doesn't have any let-up," Jones said. "She plays hard continuously to help our team."

Kruschke's hustle and play has helped the Lady Chaps (18-5, 6-1 in WJCAC) win five consecutive games and put them in a tie for first place with South Plains College in the league standings as MC hosts Howard College (14-8, 3-4) at Chaparral Center at 5:45 p.m. today.

Kruschke said the hustle is a big part of her game.

"Even if I mess up, I always want to just forget about it and just play hard the next possession," she said. "I'm not going to be the best player but I'm going to hustle and play my best for my team."

She may not think of herself as the best player on this year's team, but she has certainly been a model of consistency. This season, Kruschke is averaging a third-best 9.8 points per game and is second on the team to Achiri Ade with 7.9 rebounds per game.

Even when she's battled foul trouble, like she did in Thursday's 78-54 victory over No. 14 New Mexico Junior College, Kruschke can still managed to have a solid all-around game as she finished with 10 points, six rebounds, three assists and only one turnover against the Lady Thunderbirds.

"She's as consistent as anybody we have," Jones said. "She plays hard every game, she rebounds, she scores every game. Her numbers are really solid for her freshman year. She's a real important part of what we do and a lot of people don't realize some of the little things she does."

Kruschke's play has certainly been an asset to the Lady Chaps and it's made her decision to come to West Texas from the San Francisco area last summer worth it.

"Coach called me and said they had a position for me and I said 'might as well,'" said Kruschke about her leap of faith to come to Midland. "Go out, start a new chapter and do something more on my own and be more independent. It was a good thing to start something new."

And from all indications, Kruschke is enjoying her time in Midland as well as being around her teammates and coaches.

The biggest goal now for Kruschke is to help the Lady Chaps continue their winning streak, and hopefully make a deep postseason run.

"I have confidence in my team and myself," she said. "I feel from the first game of conference we've come a long way defensively and offensively. Ever since we lost to South Plains, we've improved in so many ways and we're still improving."

Kruschke said her team also learned a lot from the first meeting against Howard. That game saw her Lady Chaps fall behind by double-digits in both halves.

"We've worked on fixing those mistakes and I know we'll work hard against Howard," she said. "We just need to have our energy up and play hard."

If the Lady Chaps follow Kruschke's lead of hustling on every play, they should have a good shot of continuing that winning streak tonight.

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Women's WJCAC Standings

Team	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
South Plains	6	1	19	3
Midland College	6	1	18	5
New Mexico JC	5	2	16	4
Odessa College	5	2	15	5
Howard College	3	4	14	8
Frank Phillips	3	5	9	14
Western Texas	1	6	8	15
Clarendon	0	7	10	13

Thursday's Scores

Midland College 78, New Mexico JC 54; Howard College 73, Frank Phillips 43; South Plains 84, Clarendon College 60; Odessa College and Western Texas College are open

Monday's Games

Howard College at Midland College, Odessa College at Western Texas, Clarendon College at Frank Phillips, New Mexico JC and South Plains College are open

HILLIARD

From 1C

into tonight's big Western Junior College Athletic Conference home game against No. 16 Howard College (19-3, 6-2).

MC improved to 14-5 overall and 5-3 in the WJCAC after a nail-biting 71-68 victory over No. 8 New Mexico Junior College on Thursday. In that game, the Chaps had to overcome not only turnovers and missed free throws but foul trouble to several key players, including Justin Coleman who had a game-high 34 points.

Hilliard was one of those players who had to step up in the second half. He came through with all of his 11 points coming in that period and also hit two clutch free throws with 11.54 seconds remaining in the game to give MC a five-point lead.

Even with those clutch moments, Hilliard believes he could have played better.

"I made some plays to help us win the game, but overall I didn't think I had a very good game. I had five turnovers," he said. "I can definitely do better than that."

Despite those turnovers, Hilliard has given the Chaps a spark during conference play, especially during this recent winning streak that helped MC dig out of a deep hole. Hilliard is averaging 7.5 points and 2.1 rebounds per game for the season but he's averaging a little more than 9 points per contest during WJCAC play.

"We've kind of taken off as a team at about the same time that he's taken off individually," MC coach Chris Craig said. "He's been consistent for us, he's been reliable, he's a great teammate, and I can't say enough about him."

Hilliard has also taken on more of the point guard role after Kiwi Gardner was dismissed from the team. While some may consider Hilliard more of a shooting guard, Hilliard considers himself a combo guard that can play the point. While he's played many positions during his basketball career, Hilliard played point guard during his final year of AAU ball and also played the point during his only season at the University of Nebraska last season.

Craig also believes in Hilliard's ability to play either guard spot.

"I think he needs to continue to learn the point as far as his individual development in the future, but it's been a joy for me to watch his development as a person and as a player this year," Craig said.

When Hilliard and the Cornhuskers parted ways after last season, this combo guard needed a fresh start. When Hilliard built a relationship with MC assistant coach Jeff Mailhot and learned about the reputation of the college and of the league, he decided that the Permian Basin would be his next stop.

"I wanted to come because of the tradition they had here and how competitive the league is," he said. "I like to play in the most competitive league wherever I go. I also received a lot of positive feedback on Midland."

There are also a lot of positive feelings around the Chaps these days, and a winning streak sure does help. Hilliard said winning also builds confidence within the team.

"A lot of our players have a lot of confidence and self confidence to work on our game every day and get better every day," Hilliard said. "It helps us out a lot that we're on a winning streak and we want to keep this thing going."

Hilliard knows that keeping that winning streak alive won't be easy against the rival Hawks, who also come into the game on a four-game winning streak and with revenge on their minds after dropping the first meeting against MC, 81-69, on Jan. 7.

"It's a big game," Hilliard said. "If we get this game it will be great for us because we beat them earlier this year. They're going to be coming really hard at us because we beat them at their (place). I expect another good game but we'll be ready for it."

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Men's WJCAC Standings

Team	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
New Mexico JC	7	1	19	3
Howard College	6	2	19	3
Odessa College	6	2	16	5
South Plains	5	3	16	5
Midland College	5	3	14	5
Frank Phillips	2	6	12	10
Western Texas	2	6	12	10
New Mexico Military	2	6	6	15
Clarendon	1	7	12	10

Thursday's Scores

Midland College 71, New Mexico JC 68; Western Texas 74, NMMI 59; Howard College 94, Frank Phillips 69; South Plains 84, Clarendon 83, 2OT; Odessa College is open

Monday's Games

Howard College at Midland College, NMMI at South Plains, Clarendon College at Frank Phillips, Odessa College at Western Texas, New Mexico JC is open

UTPB ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

UTPB SOFTBALL DROPS TWO

SAN ANTONIO —The University of Texas of the Permian Basin women's softball team lost a pair of games Sunday, as the Falcons suffered a 4-2 defeat on a two-run game-winning home run against Tarleton State, and then lost 7-3 in against Texas A&M Kingsville at the St. Mary's College Softball Classic.

Tarleton State tied the game at 2 in the bottom of the sixth, and then won the game in the seventh when Courtney Vroman hit a two-out, two-run home run to left.

Against A&M Kingsville, the Javelinas took their first lead, 4-3, in the bottom of the fourth by scoring a pair of unearned runs with two hits and two Falcon errors.

Texas A&M Kingsville put the game away in the bottom of the fifth, taking advantage of two more errors to score three runs, all with two outs in the inning.

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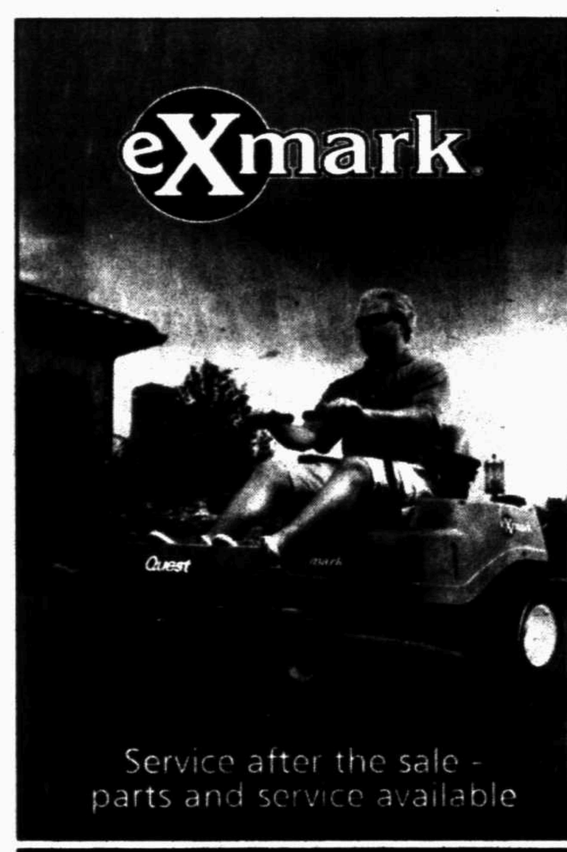

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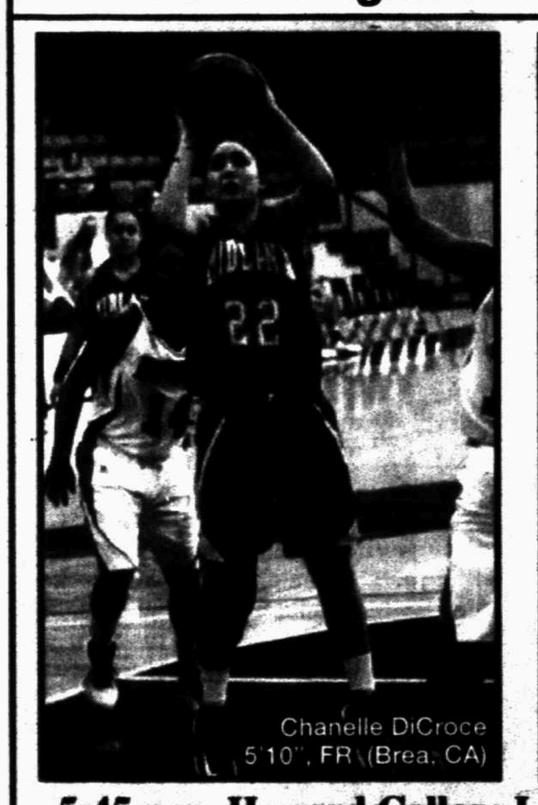
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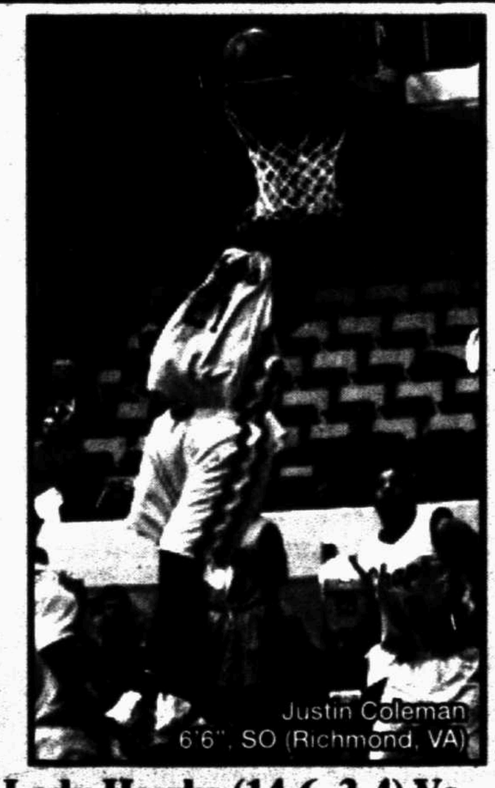
Justin Coleman 6'6", SO (Richmond, VA)
5:45 p.m. Howard College Lady Hawks (14-6, 3-4) Vs. Midland College Lady Chaps (18-5, 6-1)
7:45 p.m. Howard College Hawks (18-3, 6-2) Vs. Midland College Chaps (14-5, 5-3)
Adults: $5.00; Non MC Students/Seniors: $3.00
Upward Basketball League participants admitted without charge, if wearing their team uniform
Chap Athletic Club Member Dinner (served at halftime of 5:45 p.m. game): Chicken and Beef Fajitas, Beans, Rice, Flour Tortillas, Guacamole, Pie, Iced Tea and Water

Super Bowl

Super Bowl Champions

2013—Baltimore (AFC) 34, San Francisco (NFC) 31
2012—N.Y Giants (NFC) 21, New England (AFC) 17
2011—Green Bay (NFC) 31, Pittsburgh (AFC) 25
2010—New Orleans (NFC) 31, Indianapolis (AFC) 17
2009—Pittsburgh (AFC) 27, Arizona (NFC) 23
2008—N.Y Giants (NFC) 17, New England (AFC) 14
2007—Indianapolis (AFC) 29, Chicago (NFC) 17
2006—Pittsburgh (AFC) 21, Seattle (NFC) 10
2005—New England (AFC) 24, Philadelphia (NFC) 21
2004—New England (AFC) 32, Carolina (NFC) 29
2003—Tampa Bay (NFC) 48, Oakland (AFC) 21
2002—New England (AFC) 20, St. Louis (NFC) 17
2001—Baltimore Ravens (AFC) 34, N.Y Giants (NFC) 7
2000—St. Louis (NFC) 23, Tennessee (AFC) 16
1999—Denver (AFC) 34, Atlanta (NFC) 19
1998—Denver (AFC) 31, Green Bay (NFC) 24
1997—Green Bay (NFC) 35, New England (AFC) 21
1996—Dallas (NFC) 27, Pittsburgh (AFC) 17
1995—San Francisco (NFC) 49, San Diego (AFC) 26
1994—Dallas (NFC) 30, Buffalo (AFC) 13
1993—Dallas (NFC) 52, Buffalo (AFC) 17
1992—Washington (NFC) 37, Buffalo (AFC) 24
1991—N.Y Giants (NFC) 20, Buffalo (AFC) 19
1990—San Francisco (NFC) 55, Denver (AFC) 10
1989—San Francisco (NFC) 20, Cincinnati (AFC) 16
1988—Washington (NFC) 42, Denver (AFC) 10
1987—N.Y Giants (NFC) 39, Denver (AFC) 20
1986—Chicago (NFC) 46, New England (AFC) 10
1985—San Francisco (NFC) 38, Miami (AFC) 16
1984—L.A Raiders (AFC) 38, Washington (NFC) 9
1983—Washington (NFC) 27, Miami (AFC) 17
1982—San Francisco (NFC) 26, Cincinnati (AFC) 21
1981—Oakland (AFC) 27, Philadelphia (NFC) 10
1980—Pittsburgh (AFC) 31, L.A Rams (NFC) 19
1979—Pittsburgh (AFC) 35, Dallas (NFC) 31
1978—Dallas (NFC) 27, Denver (AFC) 10
1977—Oakland (AFC) 32, Minnesota (NFC) 14
1976—Pittsburgh (AFC) 21, Dallas (NFC) 17
1975—Pittsburgh (AFC) 16, Minnesota (NFC) 6
1974—Miami (AFC) 24, Minnesota (NFC) 7
1973—Miami (AFC) 14, Washington (NFC) 7
1972—Dallas (NFC) 24, Miami (AFC) 3
1971—Baltimore Colts (AFC) 16, Dallas (NFC) 13
1970—Kansas City (AFC) 23, Minnesota (NFL) 7
1969—N.Y Jets (AFL) 16, Baltimore Colts (NFL) 7
1968—Green Bay (NFL) 33, Kansas City (AFL) 14
1967—Green Bay (NFL) 35, Kansas City (AFL) 10

Super Bowl MVPs

2013—Joe Flacco, QB, Baltimore
2012—Eli Manning, QB, N.Y Giants
2011—Aaron Rodgers, QB, Green Bay
2010—Drew Brees, QB, New Orleans
2009—Santonio Holmes, WR, Pittsburgh
2008—Eli Manning, QB, N.Y Giants
2007—Peyton Manning, QB, Indianapolis
2006—Hines Ward, WR, Pittsburgh
2005—Deion Branch, WR, New England
2004—Tom Brady, QB, New England
2003—Dexter Jackson, FS, Tampa Bay
2002—Tom Brady, QB, New England
2001—Ray Lewis, LB, Baltimore
2000—Kurt Warner, QB, St. Louis
1999—John Elway, QB, Denver
1998—Terrell Davis, RB, Denver
1997—Desmond Howard, KR, Green Bay
1996—Larry Brown, CB, Dallas
1995—Steve Young, QB, San Francisco
1994—Emmett Smith, RB, Dallas
1993—Troy Aikman, QB, Dallas
1992—Mark Rypien, QB, Washington
1991—Otis Anderson, RB, N.Y Giants
1990—Joe Montana, QB, San Francisco
1989—Jerry Rice, WR, San Francisco
1988—Doug Williams, QB, Washington
1987—Phil Simms, QB, N.Y Giants
1986—Richard Dent, DE, Chicago
1985—Joe Montana, QB, San Francisco
1984—Marcus Allen, RB, L.A Raiders
1983—John Riggins, RB, Washington
1982—Joe Montana, QB, San Francisco
1981—Jim Plunkett, QB, Oakland
1980—Terry Bradshaw, QB, Pittsburgh
1979—Terry Bradshaw, QB, Pittsburgh
1978—Randy White, DT and Harvey Martin, DE, Dallas
1977—Fred Biletnikoff, WR, Oakland
1976—Lynn Swann, WR, Pittsburgh
1975—Franco Harris, RB, Pittsburgh
1974—Larry Csonka, RB, Miami
1973—Jake Scott, S, Miami
1972—Roger Staubach, QB, Dallas
1971—Chuck Howley, LB, Dallas
1970—Len Dawson, QB, Kansas City
1969—Joe Namath, QB, N.Y Jets
1968—Bart Starr, QB, Green Bay
1967—Bart Starr, QB, Green Bay

Fight Schedule

Friday

At Bell Centre, Montreal (ESPN2): David Lemieux vs. Jose Miguel Torres, 12, middleweights; Kevin Bizier vs. Nate Campbell, 10, welterweights; Tyler Asselsine vs. Joel Diaz Jr., 10, super featherweights.

Feb. 15

At Mohegan Sun Casino, Uncasville, Conn. (ESPN2): Delvin Rodriguez vs. George Tahdooahnippah, 10, middleweights; Bayan Jargal vs. Chris Howard, 10, lightweights.

Feb. 16

At Boardwalk Hall, Atlantic City, N.J. (HBO): Adrien Broner vs. Gavin Rees, 12, for Bronger's WBC lightweight title; Saul "Canelo" Alvarez vs. Nikola Sjekloca, 12, for the vacant WBC interim super middleweight title; Johnathon Banks vs. Seth Mitchell, 12, heavyweights; Demetrius Hopkins vs. Charles Whittaker, 12, for Hopkins' USBA light middleweight title.

Feb. 22

At D.C Armory, Washington (ESPN2): Lamont Peterson vs. Kendall Holt, 12, for Peterson's IBF junior welterweight title.

Feb. 23

At The Masonic Temple Theatre, Detroit (SHO): Devon Alexander vs. Kell Brook, 12, for Alexander's IBF welterweight title; Cornelius Bundrage vs. Ishe Smith, 12, for Bundrage's IBF junior middleweight title.

At The Paramount, Huntington N.Y (NBCSN): Vyacheslav Glazkov vs. Malik Scott, 10, heavyweights.

Feb. 27

At Todoroki Arena, Kawasaki, Japan: Juan Carlos Reveco vs. Masayuki Kuroda, 12, for Reveco's WBA World flyweight title.

March 2

At New York (SHO): Daniel Ponce De Leon vs. Jayson Velez, 12, for Ponce De Leon's WBC featherweight title; Richard Abril vs. Sharif Bogere, 12, for the vacant WBA lightweight title.

March 9

At Barclays Center, Brooklyn, N.Y (SHO): Tavoris Cloud vs. Bernard Hopkins, 12, for Cloud's IBF light heavyweight title.

At The Hangar, Costa Mesa, Calif (HBO): Juan Carlos Salgado vs. Argenis Mendez, 12, for Salgado's IBF super featherweight title; Chris Arreola vs. Bermane Stiverne, 12, heavyweights.

March 16

At Wembley Arena, London: Ricky Burns vs. Miguel Vazquez, 12, for Burns' WBO lightweight and Vazquez's IBF lightweight title.

At Panama City, Panama: John Riel Casimero vs. Luis Alberto Rios, 12, for Casimero's IBF flyweight title; Roberto Vasquez vs. John Mark Apolinario, 12, for Apolinario's interim WBA World bantamweight title.

At TBA, Britain: Nathan Cleverly vs. Robin Krasniqi, 12, for Cleverly's WBO light heavyweight title.

March 30

At Liverpool, England: Tony Bellew vs. Isaac Chilemba, 12, WBC light heavyweight eliminator.

April 8

At Tokyo, Shinsuke Yamanaka vs. Malcolm Tunacao, 12, for Yamanaka's WBC bantamweight title; Toshiyuki Igarashi vs. Akira Yaegashi, 12, for Igarashi's WBC flyweight title; Gamaliel Diaz vs. Takeshi Miura, 12, for Diaz's WBC super featherweight title.

April 27

At Buenos Aires, Argentina (HBO), Sergio Martinez vs. Martin Murray, 12, for Martinez's WBC middleweight title.

At Barclays Center, Brooklyn, N.Y (SHO), Danny Garcia vs. Zab Judah, 12, for Garcia's WBC/WBA Super World Super junior welterweight title; Peter Quillin vs. Fernando Guerrero, 12, for Quillin's WBO middleweight title; Dmitriy Salita vs. Hector Camacho, 10, junior middleweight title; Paul Malignaggi vs. Shane Mosley, 12, for Malignaggi's WBA World welterweight title.

At Mandalay Bay Resort & Casino, Las Vegas (HBO), Nonito Donaire, vs. Guillermo Rigondeaux, 12, for Rigondeaux's WBA Super World super bantamweight title and Donaire's WBO super bantamweight title.

NBA

Hasiem 2-3 0-0 4, Bosh 12-19 3-3 28. Chalmers 1-4 0-0 2, Wade 10-18 3-4 23. Allen 0-2 1-2 1, Battier 2-5 0-0 5, Andersen 0-1 1-2 1, Lewis 1-1 0-0 2, Cole 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 40-75 17-23 100.

TORONTO (85): Gay 11-23 6-7 29, Johnson 1-4 0-0 2, Gray 3-6 0-0 6, Lowry 3-7 3-4 10, DeRozan 6-17 14-14 27, Anderson 1-7 2-3 4, Lucas 1-6 0-0 2, Ross 1-4 0-0 3, Valanciunas 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 28-75 25-32 85.

Miami	**24**	**20**	**27**	**29 — 100**
Toronto	**21**	**29**	**21**	**14 — 85**

3-Point Goals—Miami 3-12 (Bosh 1-1, James 1-2, Battier 1-3, Wade 0-1, Cole 0-1). Chalmers 0-2, Allen 0-2), Toronto 4-18 (Lowry 1-2, DeRozan 1-3, Ross 1-3, Gay 1-5, Lucas 0-2, Anderson 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Miami 43 (James 8), Toronto 52 (Gray 10). Assists—Miami 19 (James 7), Toronto 15 (Lowry, DeRozan, Anderson 3). Total Fouls—Miami 23. Toronto 24. A—19,800 (19,800).

CELTICS 106, CLIPPERS 104

L.A. CLIPPERS (104): Butler 7-13 1-1 18, Griffin 8-14 4-7 20, Jordan 4-7 4-4 12, Bledsoe 9-15 3-3 23, W.Green 1-3 0-0 2, Odom 3-3 0-0 6, Barnes 0-6 0-0 0, Crawford 8-15 3-3 20. Total 0-1 0-0 0. Total 40-79 15-21 104.

BOSTON (106): Pierce 7-16 4-5 22, Bass 3-7 3-4 9, Garnett 5-9 2-2 12, Lee 2-6 2-2 7, Bradley 2-8 0-0 4, Collins 1-1 5-5 7, Terry 5-7 1-1 13, J.Green 4-6 3-4 14, Barbosa 5-10 3-4 14, Wilcox 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 36-72 23-27 106.

L.A. Clippers	**30**	**10**	**37**	**27 — 104**
Boston	**33**	**26**	**33**	**14 — 106**

3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 9-21 (Crawford 4-7, Butler 3-5, Bledsoe 2-3, W.Green 0-2, Barnes 0-4), Boston 11-18 (Pierce 4-6, J.Green 3-3, Terry 2-4, Barbosa 1-2, Lee 1-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 48 (Griffin 11), Boston 37 (Bass 8). Assists—L.A. Clippers 27. (Bledsoe 10), Boston 23 (Terry 6). Total Fouls—L.A. Clippers 20. Boston 22. Technicals—L.A. Clippers defensive three second 2, Garnett, Boston defensive three second 2. A—18,624 (18,624).

LAKERS 98, PISTONS 97

L.A. LAKERS (98): World Peace 3-8 1-2 8, Clark 6-11 4-6 17, Gasol 10-18 3-4 23, Nash 5-10 1-3 11, Bryant 8-20 2-3 18, Jamison 3-8 3-4 10. Blake 2-5 0-0 6, Meeks 2-3 0-0 5. Totals 39-83 14-22 98.

DETROIT (97): Singler 4-12 1-2 11, Maxwell 3-7 2-2 8, Monroe 9-14 2-2 20, Knight 3-13 4-4 10, Stuckey 3-6 0-0 6, Jerebko 2-6 0-0 5, Drummond 4-10 1-4 9, English 0-0 0-0 0, Bynum 9-18 0-1 18, Villanueva 4-9 0-0 10. Totals 41-92 10-15 97

L.A. Lakers	**32**	**30**	**16**	**20 — 98**
Detroit	**27**	**24**	**21**	**25 — 97**

3-Point Goals—L.A. Lakers 6-20 (Blake 2-3, Meeks 1-2, Jamison 1-3, Clark 1-3, World Peace 1-4, Nash 0-2, Bryant 0-3), Detroit 5-14 (Singler 2-4, Villanueva 2-4, Jerebko 1-1, Bynum 0-1, Stuckey 0-1, Knight 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Lakers 50 (Gasol Clark 10), Detroit 58 (Monroe 12). Assists—L.A. Lakers 24 (Nash 10), Detroit 26 (Bynum 10). Total Fouls—L.A Lakers 15, Detroit 18. Technicals—Stuckey, Flagrant Fouls—World Peace A—18,157 (22,076)

All-Stars

2013 NBA All-Star Rosters
All-Star Game: Feb. 17 at Houston
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EASTERN CONFERENCE
Starters

Player	Pos	Ht	Wt	Years A-S
Carmelo Anthony, NY	F	6-8	230	6
Kevin Garnett, Bos	F	6-11	253	15
LeBron James, Mia	F	6-8	250	9
r-Rajon Rondo, Bos	G	6-1	186	4
Dwyane Wade, Mia	G	6-4	210	9

Reserves

Chris Bosh, Mia	F-C	6-11	235	8
Tyson Chandler, NY	C	7-1	240	1
Luol Deng, Chi	F	6-9	220	2
Paul George, Ind	G-F	6-8	221	1
Jrue Holiday, Phi	G	6-4	190	1
Kyrie Irving, Cle	G	6-3	191	1
r-Brook Lopez, Bklyn	C	7-0	265	1
Joakim Noah, Chi	C-F	6-11	232	1
Head Coach: Erik Spoelstra, Miami				
Trainer: Max Benton, Cleveland				

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Starters

Player	Pos	Ht	Wt	Years A-S
Kobe Bryant, LAL	G	6-6	205	15
Dwight Howard, LAL	C	6-11	265	7
Kevin Durant, Okl	F	6-9	230	4
Blake Griffin, LAC	F	6-10	251	3
Chris Paul, LAC	G	6-0	175	6

Reserves

LaMarcus Aldridge, Por	F	6-11	240	2
Tim Duncan, SA	F	6-11	255	14
James Harden, Hou	G	6-5	220	1
David Lee, GS	F	6-9	240	1
Tony Parker, SA	G	6-2	185	5
Zach Randolph, Mem	F	6-9	260	2
Russell Westbrook, Okl	G	6-3	187	3
Head Coach: Gregg Popovich, San Antonio				
Trainer: Keith Jones, Houston				

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Final Round

Phil Mickelson (500), $1,116,000	67	-256
Hunter Mahan (250), $464,000	67	-256
Scott Piercy (190), $421,600	61	-261
Ryan Moore (135), $297,600	65	-262
Ryan Palmer (110), $248,000	62	-265
Bill Haas (92), $207,700	66	-266
Brendon de Jonge (92), $207,700	66	-266
Brendan Steele (92), $207,700	67	-266
Matt Every (78), $173,600	66	-267
Padraig Harrington (78), $173,600	70	-267
Kevin Stadler (63), $136,400	63	-268
Ben Crane (63), $136,400	66	-268
Robert Garrigus (63), $136,400	67	-268
Billy Horschel (63), $136,400	67	-268
Bubba Watson (50), $111,600	64	-269
David Hearn (52), $84,165	65	-270
Bo Van Pelt (52), $84,165	64	-270
Jeff Klauk (52), $84,165	66	-270
James Hahn (52), $84,165	52	-270
Gary Woodland (52), $84,165	70	-270
Roberto Castro (52), $84,165	70	-270
Hunter Mahan (52), $84,165	69	-270
Troy Matteson (52), $84,165	72	-270
Chris Kirk (44), $47,973	66	-271
Kevin Chappell (44), $47,973	66	-271
Brian Gay (44), $47,973	68	-271
Keegan Bradley (44), $47,973	68	-271
Bud Cauley (44), $47,973	68	-271
John Huh (44), $47,973	68	-271
Bryce Molder (44), $47,973	70	-271
Ted Potter, Jr. (44), $47,973	70	-271
Brian Harman (38), $35,883	69	-272
John Mallinger (38), $35,883	69	-272
Justin Leonard (38), $35,883	70	-272
William McGirt (38), $35,883	70	-272
Kevin Na (32), $27,944	68	-273
K.J Choi (32), $27,944	68	-273
Charles Howell III (32), $27,944	69	-273
Casey Wittenberg (32), $27,944	69	-273
George McNeill (32), $27,944	67	-273
Angel Cabrera (32), $27,944	69	-273
Greg Chalmers (32), $27,944	71	-273
Cameron Tringale (26), $19,881	69	-274
Nick Watney (26), $19,881	70	-274
Ken Duke (26), $19,881	68	-274
Carl Pettersson (26), $19,881	68	-274
Tim Clark (20), $15,392	70	-275
Rory Sabbatini (20), $15,392	71	-275
Charlie Wi (20), $15,392	73	-275
Sang-Moon Bae (20), $15,392	67	-275
Lucas Glover (16), $14,260	71	-276
David Toms (16), $14,260	69	-276
Jimmy Walker (16), $14,260	67	-276
Harris English (12), $13,764	70	-277
James Driscoll (12), $13,764	70	-277
Martin Flores (12), $13,764	69	-277
John Merrick (12), $13,764	69	-277
Jason Day (12), $13,764	67	-277
Chris Stroud (9), $13,392	72	-278
Boo Weekley (8), $13,206	72	-279
Richard H Lee (8), $13,206	71	-279
Aaron Baddeley (6), $12,958	71	-280
Dicky Pride (6), $12,958	69	-280
Brian Davis (6), $12,958	74	-280
Russell Henley (3), $12,648	71	-281
J.J Henry (3), $12,648	70	-281
Scott Verplank (3), $12,338	73	-282
Jeff Overton (1), $12,338	72	-282
Chad Campbell (1), $12,090	**74**	**-283**
Y.E Yang (1), $12,090	71	-283
Kyle Stanley (1), $11,904	72	-284

European PGA

Omega Dubai Desert Classic
Sunday
At Emirates Golf Club (Majlis Course)
Doha, Qatar
Purse: $2.5 million
Yardage: 7,344; Par: 72
Final

Stephen Gallacher, Scotland	63-70-62-71	-266
Richard Sterne, South Africa	67-66-71	-266
Felipe Aguilar, Chile	68-68-66-69	-271
Thorbjorn Olesen, Denmark	67-66-67-71	-271
Marcus Fraser, Australia	67-69-69-67	-272
Lee Westwood, England	67-71-66-68	-272
Ricardo Santos, Portugal	66-71-69-67	-273
Richard Finch, England	70-68-67-68	-273
Steve Webster, England	69-69-65-70	-273
Jeev Milkha Singh, India	68-67-67-72	-274
Tommy Fleetwood, England	65-68-69-72	-274
Pablo Martinez, Italy	66-71-70-68	-275
Andy Sullivan, England	69-67-69-70	-275
Gareth Maybin, N Ireland	69-67-69-70	-275
Lorenzo Gagli, Italy	67-71-69-68	-275
Garth Mulroy, South Africa	71-70-66-69	-276
Marc Warren, Scotland	67-72-71-67	-277
Jose Maria Olazabal, Spain	68-71-71-69	-279
Ignacio Garrido, Spain	69-68-70-70	-277
Peter Lawrie, Ireland	66-70-71-70	-277
Pablo Cabrera Loma, Spain	69-69-69-70	-277
Sergio Garcia, Spain	68-67-71-71	-277
F.Anderson Hed, Sweden	67-71-68-71	-277
Pablo Larrazabal, Spain	67-67-73-70	-277
Maximilian Kieffer, Germany	66-68-69-74	-277

Also

Todd Hamilton, United States 70-68-70-76 -284
Mark O'Meara, United States 67-74-71-72 -284

LPGA

Volvik RACV Ladies Masters
Sunday
At RACV Royal Pines Resort

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men

SUNDAY'S SCORES

MIDWEST

Minnesota 62, Iowa 59
Wisconsin 74, Illinois 68

FAR WEST

Stanford 81, Oregon St. 73

SOUTH

Georgia Tech 66, Virginia 60
Louisville 70, Marquette 51
Northwestern St. 86, McNeese St. 74

EAST

Lehigh 85, Army 76
Manhattan 57, St. Peter's 49
Providence 55, Villanova 52
Rider 64, Marist 58
UConn 69, South Florida 64, OT

Top 25 Fared Sunday

1. Michigan (20-2) did not play Next vs No 11 Ohio State. Tuesday
2. Kansas (19-2) did not play Next at TCU. Wednesday
3. Indiana (20-2) did not play Next at Illinois. Thursday
4. Florida (18-2) did not play Next at Arkansas. Saturday
5. Duke (19-2) did not play Next vs. No 19 N C State. Thursday
6. Syracuse (18-3) did not play Next vs. Notre Dame. Monday
7. Georgetown (21-2) did not play Next vs Pepperdine. Thursday
8. Arizona (19-2) did not play Next vs Stanford. Wednesday
9. Butler (18-4) did not play Next vs St Bonaventure. Wednesday
10. Oregon (18-4) did not play Next vs Colorado, Thursday
11. Ohio State (17-4) did not play Next at No 1 Michigan. Tuesday
12. Louisville (18-4) beat No. 25 Marquette 70-51 Next at Rutgers. Wednesday
13. Michigan State (18-4) did not play Next vs. No 23 Minnesota. Wednesday
14. Miami (17-3) did not play Next vs Boston College. Tuesday
15. Wichita State (19-4) did not play Next vs. Southern Illinois. Tuesday
16. Mississippi (17-4) did not play Next vs Mississippi State. Wednesday
17. Missouri (16-5) did not play Next at Texas A&M. Thursday
18. Kansas State (17-4) did not play Next at Texas Tech. Tuesday
19. N C State (16-6) did not play Next at No 5 Duke. Thursday
20. New Mexico (19-3) did not play Next vs Air Force. Wednesday
21. Creighton (20-3) did not play Next at Indiana State. Wednesday
22. San Diego State (16-5) did not play Next vs. Boise State. Wednesday
23. Minnesota (17-5) beat Iowa 62-59 Next at No 23 Michigan State. Wednesday
24. Cincinnati (18-4) did not play Next at Providence. Wednesday
25. Marquette (15-5) lost to No. 12 Louisville 70-51 Next at South Florida. Wednesday

TEXAS COLLEGE STANDINGS
BIG 12 CONFERENCE

	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
	Conference			All Games		
Kansas	7	1	.875	19	2	.905
Kansas St	6	2	.750	17	4	.810
Oklahoma St	5	3	.625	15	5	.750
Iowa St	5	3	.625	15	6	.714
Oklahoma	5	3	.625	14	6	.700
Baylor	5	3	.625	14	7	.667
West Virginia	3	5	.375	10	11	.476
Texas	2	6	.250	10	11	.476
Texas Tech	2	6	.250	9	10	.474
TCU	0	8	.000	9	12	.429

CONFERENCE USA

	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
	Conference			All Games		
Memphis	7	0	1.000	18	3	.857
Southern Miss	7	0	1.000	18	4	.818
UCF	5	2	.714	15	6	.714
UTEP	5	2	.714	12	8	.600
East Carolina	4	4	.500	13	8	.619
Tulsa	4	4	.500	12	10	.545
Marshall	3	4	.429	10	12	.455
Houston	3	5	.375	14	7	.667
Tulane	2	5	.286	14	8	.636
SMU	2	6	.250	12	11	.522
UAB	1	6	.143	9	13	.409
Rice	1	6	.143	5	16	.238

GREAT WEST CONFERENCE

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
UT-Pan American	3	1	.750	12	11	.522
NJIT	3	1	.750	11	11	.500
Chicago St	2	2	.500	7	16	.304
Utah Valley	1	3	.250	10	13	.435
Houston Baptist	1	3	.250	7	14	.333

SOUTHEASTERN CONFERENCE

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	PCT.	W	L	PCT
Florida	8	0	1.000	21	2	.913
Mississippi	6	2	.750	17	4	.810
Kentucky	6	2	.750	15	6	.714
Alabama	6	2	.750	14	7	.667
Missouri	5	3	.625	16	5	.762
Arkansas	4	4	.500	13	8	.619
Georgia	4	4	.500	10	11	.476
LSU	3	5	.375	12	7	.632
Texas A&M	3	5	.375	13	8	.619
Tennessee	3	5	.375	11	9	.550
South Carolina	2	6	.250	12	9	.571
Vanderbilt	2	6	.250	9	11	.450
Auburn	2	6	.250	8	13	.381
Mississippi St	2	6	.250	7	13	.350

SOUTHWESTERN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Southern U	9	1	.900	15	7	.682
Ark.-Pine Bluff	8	2	.800	9	13	.409
Texas Southern	8	2	.800	10	14	.391
Alcorn St	6	4	.600	8	17	.320
Prairie View	6	4	.600	9	14	.391
Alabama A&M	6	4	.600	8	13	.381
Jackson St	4	6	.400	5	14	.263
Alabama St	4	6	.400	6	17	.261
MVSU	3	7	.300	3	17	.150
Grambling St	0	10	.000	0	19	.000

SUN BELT CONFERENCE
East

	Conference			All Games		
	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Middle Tennessee	12	1	.923	19	5	.792
South Alabama	9	4	.692	12	9	.571
FIU	7	6	.538	12	10	.545
W Kentucky	6	6	.500	12	11	.522
FAU	6	7	.462	11	13	.458
Troy	5	7	.417	10	13	.435

West

	W	L	PCT	W	L	PCT
Arkansas St	8	5	.615	14	8	.636
UALR	8	5	.615	14	10	.583
La.-Lafayette	8	5	.615	9	13	.409
North Texas	3	10	.231	8	16	.333
La.-Monroe	2	10	.167	3	15	.167

Women

SUNDAY'S SCORES
SOUTHWEST

North Texas 64, Arkansas St. 62
Rice 61, UAB 53
SMU 82, UTEP 73

FAR WEST

California 72, Oregon 45
Colorado 65, Southern Cal 49
Stanford 65, Oregon St. 45
UCLA 70, Utah 42
Washington 74, Arizona St. 61
Washington St. 60, Arizona 50

MIDWEST

Ball St 56, E Michigan 41
Bowling Green 84, Cent Michigan 59
Illinois 64, Wisconsin 56
Kent St. 57, Ohio 55
Miami (Ohio) 65, N Illinois 51
Missouri 80, Tennessee 63
Missouri St 91, Illinois St. 76
Northern Illinois 66, Akron 56
Northwestern 67, Iowa 65
Ohio St. 70, Indiana 56
Toledo 65, W Michigan 54
Wichita St. 53, Indiana St. 46
Xavier 58, St Bonaventure 50
Youngstown St 66, Wright St. 47

EAST

Delaware 79, Hofstra 63
Drexel 79, Georgia St. 55
George Washington 74, La Salle 57
Iona 62, Fairfield 47
Manhattan 54, Canisius 51
Marist 68, St. Peter's 49
Northeastern 59, Towson 56
South Florida 78, Rutgers 60
Temple 66, UMass 54
West Virginia 82, Oklahoma 63

SOUTH

Charlotte 63, Duquesne 54
Dayton 72, Richmond 64
Duke 84, North Carolina 63
East Carolina 59, UCF 48
Florida 87, Alabama 54
Florida St 83, Clemson 61
Georgia 75, Kentucky 71
Georgia Tech 65, Virginia 62
James Madison 68, William & Mary 63
Marshall 55, Memphis 54
Maryland 85, Boston College 62
McNeese St 80, Northwestern St. 54
Miami 68, Virginia Tech 42
Mississippi 72, Arkansas 44
NC State 64, Wake Forest 55
Old Dominion 62, UNC Wilmington 55
South Carolina 59, Auburn 51
Tulsa 78, Southern Miss 56
Vanderbilt 79, Mississippi 53

Women's Top 25 Fared Sunday

1. Baylor (20-1) did not play Next vs Kansas. Wednesday
2. Notre Dame (20-1) did not play Next at Villanova. Tuesday
3. UConn (20-1) did not play Next vs Marquette. Tuesday
4. Stanford (20-2) beat Oregon State 65-45 Next vs Arizona. Friday
5. Duke (20-1) beat No 11 North Carolina 84-63 Next at Virginia Tech. Friday
6. California (19-2) beat Oregon 72-45 Next vs. Arizona State. Friday
7. Penn State (17-3) did not play Next vs No 14 Purdue. Monday
8. Kentucky (19-3) lost to No. 13 Georgia 75-71 Next at Arkansas. Thursday
9. Tennessee (17-5) lost to Missouri 80-63 Next at LSU. Thursday
10. Maryland (18-3) beat Boston College 85-62 Next at Wake Forest. Friday
11. North Carolina (20-3) lost to No. 5 Duke 84-63 Next at Boston College. Thursday
12. Louisville (19-4) did not play Next vs Pittsburgh. Saturday
13. Georgia (19-3) beat No 8 Kentucky, 75-71 Next vs. Auburn. Thursday
14. Purdue (18-3) did not play Next at No 7 Penn State. Monday
15. South Carolina (19-3) beat Auburn 59-51 Next at Alabama, Thursday
16. Texas A&M (17-5) did not play Next at LSU. Monday
17. Dayton (19-1) beat Richmond 72-64 Next vs. Xavier, Thursday
18. UCLA (17-4) beat Utah 72-45 Next at Washington. Friday
19. Oklahoma State (15-5) did not play Next vs. TCU. Tuesday
20. Florida State (18-4) beat Clemson 83-61 Next at Miami. Sunday
21. Oklahoma (16-5) lost to West Virginia 82-63. Next at Kansas State. Wednesday
22. Colorado (16-5) beat Southern Cal 65-49 Next vs. Oregon State. Friday
23. Iowa State (15-5) did not play Next at Texas. Wednesday
24. Iowa (16-7) lost to Northwestern 67-65 Next at Minnesota. Thursday
25. Delaware (18-3) beat Hofstra 79-63 Next at Towson. Thursday

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	9	6	3	0	12	30	22
New Jersey	8	4	3	1	9	20	19
N.Y Islanders	8	4	3	1	9	27	26
N.Y Rangers	8	4	4	0	8	19	22
Philadelphia	9	3	6	0	6	21	26

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	8	6	1	1	13	24	19
Montreal	8	6	2	0	12	26	17
Ottawa	9	5	3	1	11	25	16
Toronto	8	4	4	0	8	21	23
Buffalo	9	3	5	1	7	27	33

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	8	6	2

Texas regents mull coaches' conduct with students

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — University of Texas regents Sunday discussed but took no action regarding recently disclosed cases of coaches' inappropriate relationships with students.

The regents held a special meeting by phone that was not open to the public and included only members of the regents, their legal staff and system Chancellor Francisco Cigarroa. The chancellor declined immediate comment when the more than two-hour call ended.

The regents scheduled the rare Sunday meeting on Friday after they learned that football offensive coordinator Major Applewhite had been disciplined by the school in 2009 for his conduct with a student during the Longhorns' trip to the Fiesta Bowl.

The revelation about Applewhite came almost a month after women's track coach Bev Kearney resigned while under investigation for a 2002 relationship with an athlete in her program. Texas officials have said they were in the process of firing her.

In both cases, the university said the relationships between coaches and students were consensual. But Kearney's lawyer, Derek Howard, has suggested the track coach was treated unfairly and may sue the university. Howard did not immediately respond to an email message.

Kearney, who won six national championships since 1993, was in line for a large pay increase until the former athlete reported their relationship in October. Kearney was placed on paid leave in November and resigned Jan. 5.

When Kearney resigned, school officials said it didn't appear Kearney had engaged in any other inappropriate behavior with students, but that the relationship "crosses the line of trust placed in the head coach for all aspects of the athletic program and the best interests of the student athletes on the team."

A public records request by the Daily Texan student newspaper revealed a disciplinary letter to Applewhite from athletic director DeLoss Dodds. Applewhite, a former Texas quarterback who was the Longhorns' running backs coach in his first season on staff, was ordered to undergo counseling. His salary was frozen for a year.

Dodds' letter warned Applewhite that any more such actions by him could result in more serious punishment. Applewhite has since been promoted to co-offensive coordinator and will call plays for Texas next season.

In a statement Friday night, Applewhite, who is married and one of the most popular assistants on Mack Brown's staff, said he was embarrassed by his conduct at the bowl game.

"It was a one-time occurrence and was a personal matter," Applewhite said. "Shortly after it occurred, I discussed the situation with DeLoss Dodds. I was upfront and took full responsibility for my actions. This is and was resolved by the university four years ago. Through counseling, I have worked with my wife and the incident is behind us."

Dodds said the university's legal office looked in the matter at the time and said Applewhite had been given appropriate punishment.

Joe Jamail, a Houston attorney and prominent supporter of the athletic program who is advising Applewhite, did not immediately return a phone message.

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		C	S	R	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Bachelor (N)			Castle "Recoil" (N)		KMID News	(:35) J. Kimmel	Anita Baker, Mark Duplass	(:35) News Nightline
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News	Ent. Tonight	Mother (N)	Rules of Eng (N)	2 Broke Girls (N)	Mike & Molly (N)	Hawaii Five-0 "Hookman" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman (N)	(:35) Late Late
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Sein. "The Robbery"	Rules of Engage.	The Carrie Diaries "Fright Night" (N)		90210 "Here Comes Honey Bye Bye" (N)		Cops	Seinfeld "The Fire"	Rules of Engage.	That '70s Show	King of Queens	'Til Death
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Bones "The Doll in the Derby" (N)		The Following "The Poet's Fire" (N)		The Simpsons	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Loves Ray	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	
	KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Dr. William	Joe McGee	Update News	Jonathan Hansen	Light of the Southwest				House Calls	Mani Erfan	Andrew G. Roth	Y. Sala-manca
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News-West 9	Be Millionaire	The Biggest Loser "Led by Example" Only one team members weight counts. (N)				Deception "Why Wait" (N)		News-West 9	(:35) Tonight Show J. Leno	Hugh Jackman	(:35) LateN (N)
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Antiques Rd. "Boston (Hour Two)" (N)		Warriors "Antiquing in Long Beach, CA" (N)		Independent Lens "As Goes Janesville"		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Corona de lagrimas		Por ella soy eva		Amores Verdaderos		Amor Bravio		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Al Diablo con los Guapos	
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Office	30 Rock	Law&O.:SVU "Pure"		SVU "Intoxicated"		My News	Baggage	30 Rock	Sunny	Scrubs	Access H.
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	65		165		(5:05) ★ My Own C...		★★★★ Primary Colors ('98, Dra) John Travolta.					★★★★ Citizen Ruth ('96, Com) Laura Dern.			Movie	
	HBO	300	68	14	14		(5:00) ★★ Antitrust		Bill Maher		★ Mea Maxima Culpa: Silence in the Ho...			★★★ X-Men: First Class James McAvoy.				
	HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(5:50) ★★★ The Day After Tomorrow				Girls	Enlight	★ Transit James Caviezel.		Real Sports			
	HBOS	304	70	16	102		(4:50) ★ Extremely L...		Sopranos "Pie-O-My"		The Corner		(:05) The Corner		(:10) ★★ Hall Pass Owen Wilson.			
	MAX	380	71	17	120	24	Movie	(:50) ★★ The Legend of Bagger Vance Will Smith.					★★★ Contagion		(:50) Banshee		(:50) Spring	
	MAX2	382	72	18	122		Movie	(:40) ★★ Grosse Pointe Blank John Cusack.					★ A Thousand Words		In Bed	Femme F.	(:00) ★ The Cuttin...	
	PLEX			96			(5:50) ★★★ The Electric Horseman				★★ Possums Mac Davis.		(:40) ★ The Man From Left Field		(:20) ★ Outsourced			
	SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(5:00) ★ Raw Deal		Homeland		★★ The Iron Lady		(:45) ★★★★ Red ('10, Act) Bruce Willis.				Movie	
	TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(4:00) ★ Meet Joe B...		★ My Week With Marilyn Michelle Williams.				★★ Brokeback Mountain Heath Ledger.		(:15) ★ What Dre...			
CABLE	A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Hoarders "Debra and Patty"		Hoarders "Manuel and Carla"		Hoarders "Fuzzie and Fred/ Nancy" (N)		Intervention "Andrew" (N)		Intervention "Sarah P"		Hoarders "Manuel and Carla"	
	AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(4:00) ★★ Hannibal		★★★★ The Shawshank Redemption ('94, Dra) Tim Robbins.						★★★★ The Shawshank Redemption			
	BET	58	26		40		106&Park	★★ Waist Deep ('06, Act) Tyrese Gibson.					★★★ Four Brothers ('05, Act) Mark Wahlberg.				Wendy Williams	
	BRAVO	65	63		41		Beverly Hills		Bev Hills Social (N)		Beverly Hills (N)		Vanderpump R. (N)		Watch (N)	Beverly Hills		VanderR
	CNBC	46	45		39	72	The Kudlow Report		Behind Closed Doors		Boradway Diamond		American Greed		Mad Money		Boradway	Diamond
	CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Piers Morgan		A. Cooper 360		OutFront		Piers Morgan	
	DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Shipwreck Men		Smuggle "Weapons"		Shipwreck Men (N)		Sea Gold "Captaincy"		Shipwreck Men		Smuggle "Weapons"	
	DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	GoodLuck	Dog Blog	★★★★ Ratatouille ('07, Fam) Brad Garrett.				Gravity	GoodLuck	Shake Up	Jessie	Wizards	Wizards
	ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	NCAA Basketball Notre Dame vs. Syracuse (L)				NCAA Basketball Texas vs. West Virginia (L)				SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
	ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	NCAA Basketball Purdue vs. Penn State (L)				NCAA Basketball Texas A&M vs LSU (L)				Hey Rookie, Welcome to the NFL			
	FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	Switched at Birth		Switched at Birth (N)		Bunheads (N)		Switched at Birth		The 700 Club		Fresh P.	Fresh P.
	FNC	45	58	53	23	55	FOX Report		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity		On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity	
	FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners
	FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	SportsD-ay OnAir	Mavs Live Pregam (L)	NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks vs. Oklahoma City Thunder Site: Chesapeake Energy Arena (L)				Maveric-ks Live (L)		How Dirk Became DIRK!		SportsD-ay OnAir	Cowboys Legends
	FX	31	31	59	64	69	2½Men	Two 1/2...	★★ The Twilight Saga: Eclipse Kristen Stewart.						★★ The Twilight Saga: Eclipse Kristen Stewart.			
	HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	BradyB.	BradyB.	Numb3rs		Numb3 "Trust Metric"		Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	G. Girls	G. Girls
	HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Love It or List It		HouseH	House	Love It or List It		Love It or List It	
	HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Pwn Star	Pawn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	American Pickers		Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Top Gear		Pwn Star	Pwn Star
	LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	(3:00) ★ The Capture of the Green River ...		★★ An Amish Murder ('12, Cri) IronE Singleton, Christian Campbell, Neve Campbell.				★ To Be Announced				★★ An Amish Murder	
	MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball		The Ed Show		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		The Ed Show		Rachel Maddow	
	NBCSN	38	39				NCAA Basketball Georgia vs. Old Dominion (L)				NHL Hockey Dallas Stars vs. Colorado Avalanche (L)				NHL Live!		Crossover	FB Talk
	NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Drake	Drake	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Nanny	Nanny	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
	SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	★★★ Super Troopers Kevin Heffernan.				★ Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story				★★★ Super Troopers Kevin Heffernan.			
	SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Continuum		Continuum (N)		Being Human (N)		Lost Girl (N)		Continuum		Being Human	
	TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Sein. "The Revenge"	Seinfeld "The Gum"	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Conan		The Office	The Office
	TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(4:30) ★★★ Gypsy		★★★★ Bonnie and Clyde				★★★ Cool Hand Luke Paul Newman.				(:15) ★★★ Bullitt	
	TELE	20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		Pasion Prohibida		La patrona		El Rostro de la		Al rojo	Victorinos		Decision
	TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Cake Boss: Next Great "Battle of the Sexes"		Next Great Baker "Happy Birthday Kelly"		Cake Boss: Next Great Baker (N)		Cake Boss (N)	Cake Boss	Cake Boss: Next Great Baker		Cake Boss	Cake Boss
	TNT	24	23	40	26	50	The Mentalist "Red Rum"		The Mentalist "Red Gold"		Dallas "Sins of the Father" (N)		Monday Mornings "Pilot" (P) (N)		(:05) Dallas "Sins of the Father"		(:05) Monday Mornings "Pilot"	
	TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	MASH	M*A*S*H	Hot In , Divorced		Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
	USA	26	30	42	27	49	NCIS "Short Fuse"		WWE Monday Night Raw		WWE Monday Night Raw		WWE Monday Night Raw		(:05) NCIS: LA "Enemy Within"		(:05) CSI: Crime "Altered Stakes"	
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TOP25ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Men

NO. 12 LOUISVILLE 70
NO. 25 MARQUETTE 51

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Russ Smith scored 18 points, Peyton Siva added 14 and No. 12 Louisville shot 52 percent to run away from No. 25 Marquette 70-51 on Sunday.

The lopsided outcome was somewhat surprising considering what was at stake for both teams in the Big East.

NO. 23 MINNESOTA 62
IOWA 59

MINNEAPOLIS — Austin Hollins hit a go-ahead 3-pointer with 11.6 seconds left, lifting Minnesota to a victory over Iowa.

Hollins finished with 17 points for the Gophers (17-5, 5-4 Big Ten). With Minnesota trailing 59-57, the 6-foot-4 Hollins got open in the corner on an inbound play and made the shot over 6-foot-1 Mike Gesell. Hollins then hounded Gesell on the other end to force the ball out of bounds.

Women

NO. 4 STANFORD 65
OREGON STATE 45

CORVALLIS, Ore. — Chiney Ogwumike posted her sixth straight double-double with a career-high 32 points and 18 rebounds to lead No. 4 Stanford to a 65-45 win over Oregon State on Sunday night.

Amber Orrange and Bonnie Samuelson — who hit four 3-pointers — added 12 points apiece for the Cardinal (20-2, 9-1 Pac-12).

NO. 5 DUKE 84
NO. 11 NORTH CAROLINA 63

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. — Chloe Wells scored a career-high 18 points to help No. 5 Duke roll past No. 11 North Carolina 84-63 on Sunday.

Tricia Liston added 15 for the Blue Devils (20-1, 10-0 Atlantic Coast Conference), who jumped all over the Tar Heels to take the drama out of this one early. Duke blew the game open with a 29-3 run over 10 minutes, led by 31 at halftime and was up by as many as 33 points in its fifth straight win in the rivalry.

NO. 6 CALIFORNIA 72
OREGON 45

EUGENE, Ore. — Layshia Clarendon scored 15 points, and Gennifer Brandon and Talia Caldwell each had double-doubles as California cruised past Oregon.

Caldwell finished with 14 points and 14 rebounds, and Brandon scored 14 and grabbed 12 boards for the Golden Bears (19-2, 9-1 Pac-12), who maintained their tie with No. 4 Stanford atop the league standings. Brittany Boyd also had 13 points and eight assists for Cal.

NO. 13 GEORGIA 75
NO. 8 KENTUCKY 71

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Khaalidah Miller scored a career-high 25 points and Georgia forced a key turnover with 5 seconds to play to hold off Kentucky.

MISSOURI 80
NO. 9 TENNESSEE 63

COLUMBIA, Mo. — Morgan Eye scored 26 points, Bri Kulas added 20 and Missouri beat Tennessee for its first win over a ranked team in almost two years.

NO. 10 MARYLAND 85
BOSTON COLLEGE 62

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Tianna Hawkins scored 26 points and Alyssa Thomas added 24 to lead Maryland past Boston College.

NO. 15 SOUTH CAROLINA 59
AUBURN 51

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Reserve Khadijah Sessions had a career-high 19 points and South Carolina won its fifth straight game with a win over Auburn.

NO. 17 DAYTON 72
RICHMOND 64

RICHMOND, Va. — Olivia Applewhite came off the bench to score 18 points and grab 11 rebounds as Dayton remained unbeaten in the Atlantic 10 with a win over Richmond.

NO. 18 UCLA 70
UTAH 42

LOS ANGELES — Alyssia Brewer scored 16 points and UCLA's defense forced 18 turnovers in a victory over Utah that extended the Bruins' winning streak to four games.

NO. 20 FLORIDA ST. 83
CLEMSON 61

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Natasha Howard had 19 points and 11 rebounds, and every Florida State starter reached double figures in a win over Clemson.

WEST VIRGINIA 82
NO. 21 OKLAHOMA 63

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — Christal Caldwell scored 24 points and freshman Bria Holmes came off the bench to score 17, leading West Virginia past Oklahoma.

NO. 22 COLORADO 65
USC 49

LOS ANGELES — Arielle Roberson scored 16 points and Chucky Jeffery had 15 points and 10 rebounds to help Colorado beat Southern California.

NORTHWESTERN 67
NO. 24 IOWA 65

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Karly Roser hit a layup just before time expired to lift Northwestern to a win over Iowa — dealing the Hawkeyes a second straight loss since entering the national rankings.

NO. 25 DELAWARE 79
HOFSTRA 63

NEWARK, Del. — Elena Delle Donne scored 35 points and to lead Delaware to its 13th straight victory with a win over Hofstra.

Mickelson finishes off Phoenix Open victory

By John Nicholson
Associated Press

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Phil Mickelson completed a wire-to-wire victory in the Phoenix Open, again flirting with history in a dominating run at TPC Scottsdale.

Mickelson shot a 4-under 67 on Sunday to finish at 28-under 256, two strokes off the PGA Tour record of 254 set by Tommy Armour III in the 2003 Texas Open.

"It's an important one for me, because it's been a while since I won, been a while since I've been in contention," Mickelson said. "I was certainly nervous heading into today. I think the thing I'm most excited about was the way I was able to regain control of my thoughts after a few shots early on that I didn't care for."

Mickelson missed a chance for a 59 in the first round when his 25-foot birdie putt on the final hole caught the right edge of the cup, curled 180 degrees and stayed out. He settled for a 60 and followed with rounds of 65 and 64 to take a six-stroke lead into the final round.

Mickelson won after struggling the last two weeks in his season-opening events — tying for 37th at La Quinta and 51st at Torrey Pines — and creating some headlines by talking about tax increases. He now heads to Pebble Beach for his title defense.

NBAROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

HEAT 100
RAPTORS 85

TORONTO — LeBron James scored 30 points, Chris Bosh had 28 against his former team and the Miami Heat beat Toronto 100-85 Sunday for their 10th straight victory over the Raptors.

Dwyane Wade added 23 points as the Heat bounced back after Friday's 102-89 loss at Indiana, ensuring that coach Erik Spolestra will coach the Eastern Conference All-Stars. The Heat clinched the best record in the East through Feb. 3 with the win. Had Miami lost, New York Knicks coach Mike Woodson would have been in charge of the East's bench.

CELTICS 106
CLIPPERS 104

BOSTON — Paul Pierce scored 22 points and Boston held off a late comeback to beat Los Angeles and improve to 4-0 since losing Rajon Rondo for the season to a torn knee ligament.

The Clippers had pulled to 103-101 on a 3-pointer by Eric Bledsoe with 56 seconds remaining. But Avery Bradley drew an offensive foul on Los Angeles' Jamal Crawford with 26 seconds to go, and Pierce held on to the ball before making a 3-pointer with 2.5 seconds left to clinch the win.

LAKERS 98
PISTONS 97

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Pau Gasol had 23 points and 10 rebounds, and he contested Detroit's last-second alley-oop attempt to help Los Angeles hold on for the win.

The Lakers blew an 18-point third-quarter lead but went back ahead for good on Kobe Bryant's driving three-point play with 1:09 remaining. That gave the Lakers a 98-95 lead, and they held on despite missing four free throws in the final 16.8 seconds.

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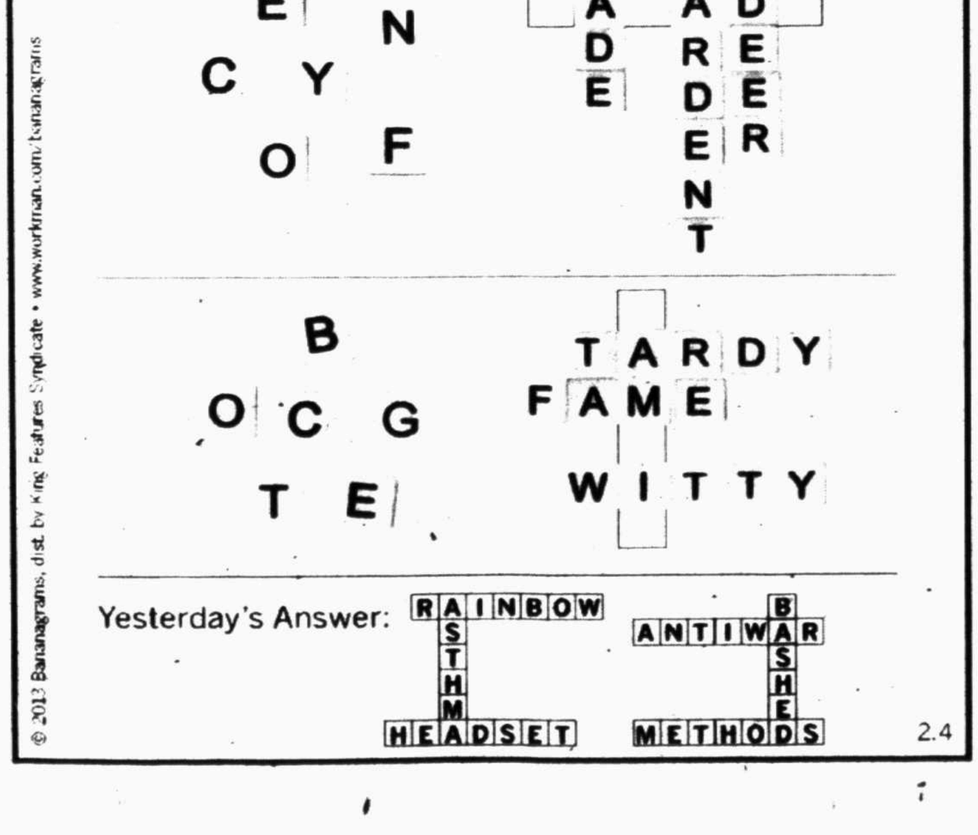

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SUPER BOWL

GLANCE
Wild-card Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 5
Houston 19, Cincinnati 13
Green Bay 24, Minnesota 10
Sunday, Jan. 6
Baltimore 24, Indianapolis 9
Seattle 24, Washington 14
Divisional Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 12
Baltimore 38, Denver 35, 2OT
San Francisco 45, Green Bay 31
Sunday, Jan. 13
Atlanta 30, Seattle 28
New England 41, Houston 28
Conference Championships
Sunday, Jan. 20
San Francisco 28, Atlanta 24
Baltimore 28, New England 13
Pro Bowl
Sunday, Jan. 27
At Honolulu
NFC 62, AFC 35
Super Bowl
Sunday
At New Orleans
Baltimore 34, San Francisco 31

SUNDAY'S BOX
BALTIMORE 34, SAN FRANCISCO 31

Baltimore	7	14	7	6	—34
San Francisco	3	3	17	8	—31

First Quarter
Bal—Boldin 13 pass from Flacco (Tucker kick), 10:36.
SF—FG Akers 36, 3:58.
Second Quarter
Bal—Pitta 1 pass from Flacco (Tucker kick), 7:10.
Bal—J.Jones 56 pass from Flacco (Tucker kick), 1:45.
SF—FG Akers 27, :00.
Third Quarter
Bal—J.Jones 108 kickoff return (Tucker kick), 14:49.
SF—Crabtree 31 pass from Kaepernick (Akers kick), 7:20.
SF—Gore 8 run (Akers kick), 4:59.
SF—FG Akers 34, 3:10.
Fourth Quarter
Bal—FG Tucker 19, 12:54.
SF—Kaepernick 15 run (pass failed), 9:57.
Bal—FG Tucker 38, 4:19.
SF—Culliver safety, :04.
A—71,024.

	Bal	SF
First downs	21	23
Total Net Yards	367	468
Rushes-yards	35-93	29-182
Passing	274	286
Comp-Att-Int	22-33-0	16-28-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-13	3-16
Punts	3-47.0	3-53.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	2-20	5-33
Time of Possession	32:23	27:37

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING—Baltimore, Rice 20-59, Pierce 12-33, Tucker 1-8, Leach 1-1, Koch 1-(minus 8). San Francisco, Gore 19-110, Kaepernick 7-62, James 3-10.
PASSING—Baltimore, Flacco 22-33-0-287. San Francisco, Kaepernick 16-28-1-302.
RECEIVING—Baltimore, Boldin 6-104, Pitta 4-26, Rice 4-19, Leach 3-10, Dickson 2-37, TSmith 2-35, J.Jones 1-56. San Francisco, V.Davis 6-104, Crabtree 5-109, Walker 3-48, Moss 2-41.
MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

SUPER BOWL

From 1C

TD run, the longest for a quarterback in a Super Bowl, made it 31-29. A 2-point conversion pass failed when the Ravens blitzed.

Tucker added a 38-yarder with 4:19 remaining, setting up the frantic finish.

Kaepernick couldn't get the Ravens into the end zone on the final three plays — there was contact on Crabtree on the final pass that appeared incidental, and Jim Harbaugh insisted it was holding.

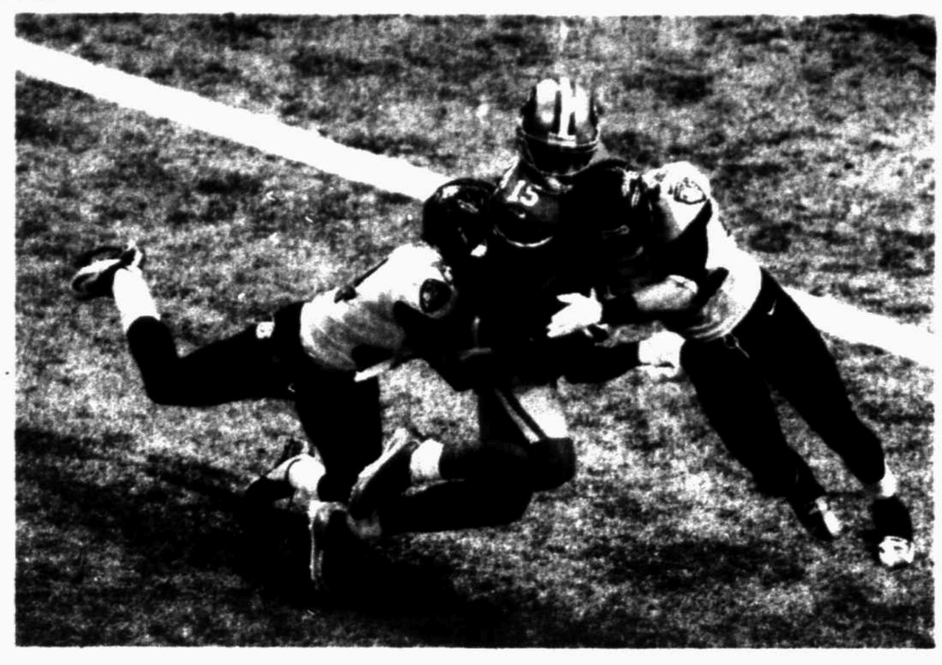
Ravens punter Sam Koch took a safety for the final score with 4 seconds left. His free kick was returned by Ginn to midfield as time ran out.

The Harbaughs then met at midfield amid the Ravens' confetti-laden celebrations.

"It's very tough," John Harbaugh said of their conversation. "It's a lot tougher than I thought it was going to be. It's very painful."

In the first half, Flacco was as brilliant as Tom Brady, Joe Montana or Terry Bradshaw ever were in the NFL's biggest game. The only quarterback to win a playoff game in each of his first five seasons — his coach holds the same distinction — was nearly perfect. Overall, Flacco threw for 11 touchdowns to tie a postseason record, and had no interceptions.

The Ravens stumbled into the playoffs with four defeats in its last five regular-season games as Lewis recovered from a torn right triceps and Flacco struggled. Harbaugh even fired his offensive coordinator in December, a stunning move with the postseason so close.



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Baltimore's Corey Graham, left, and Jimmy Smith, right, break up a pass intended for San Francisco wide receiver Michael Crabtree (15) during the second half of the Super Bowl on Sunday, in New Orleans.

But that — and every other move Harbaugh, Flacco and the Ravens made since — were right on target. Just like Flacco's TD passes of 13 yards to Anquan Boldin, 1 to Dennis Pitta and 56 to Jones in the first half, tying a Super Bowl record.

New Orleans native Jones, one of the heroes in a double-overtime playoff win at Denver, seemed to put the game away with his record 108-yard sprint with the second-half kickoff.

Soon after, the lights went out — and when they came back on, the Ravens were almost powerless to slow the 49ers.

Until the final moments.

"The final series of Ray Lewis' career was a goal-line stand," Harbaugh said.

Lewis sprawled on all fours, face-down on the turf, after the end zone incompletion.

"It's no greater way, as a champ, to go out on your last ride with the men that I went out with, with my teammates," Lewis said. "And you looked around this stadium and Baltimore! Baltimore! We coming home, baby! We did it!"

It was a bitter loss for Jim Harbaugh, the coach who turned around the Niners in the last two years and brought them to their first Super Bowl in 18 years. His team made a similarly stunning comeback in the NFC championship at Atlanta, but couldn't finish it off against Baltimore.

"Our guys battled back to get back in," said the 49ers coach, who was especially upset about the non-call on the pass to Crabtree.

LEWIS

From 1C

Lewis was anything but exceptional against the 49ers. But the Ravens played like champions around him, and now Lewis can saunter into the sunset after putting his fingerprints on the Lombardi Trophy for a second time.

While working his way back from a torn right triceps that had kept him sidelined since Oct. 14, Lewis told high-ranking team officials that he was going to retire after this season. He shared the news with his teammates and the media on Jan. 2, saying Baltimore's postseason run would be his "last ride."

And what a journey it was.

After defeating Indianapolis at home to open the playoffs, the Ravens beat top-seeded Denver on the road and knocked off second-seeded New England. Then, underdogs again in the Super Bowl, Baltimore blew most of a 22-point lead in the second half before mounting one final defensive stand.

Lewis' old buddy, 34-year-old Ed Reed, contributed a first-half interception. Jacoby Jones scored two touchdowns, and after the second — a 108-yard kickoff return to open the third quarter — he saluted his retiring teammate with a rendition of the "squirrel" dance Lewis made famous.

Days earlier, Lewis was confronted about his use of deer antler spray in his effort to return from the triceps injury. He vehemently denied trying the banned substance, and that sideshow fizzled out quickly enough so that it was not a distraction on Sunday.

Lewis was the second draft pick in Ravens' history, following Jonathan Ogden in 1996. Ogden, who was elected into the NFL Hall of Fame on Saturday, waved to his former teammate during the pregame coin flip Sunday.

Perhaps one day, Ogden will extend the same greeting to Lewis in Canton, Ohio.

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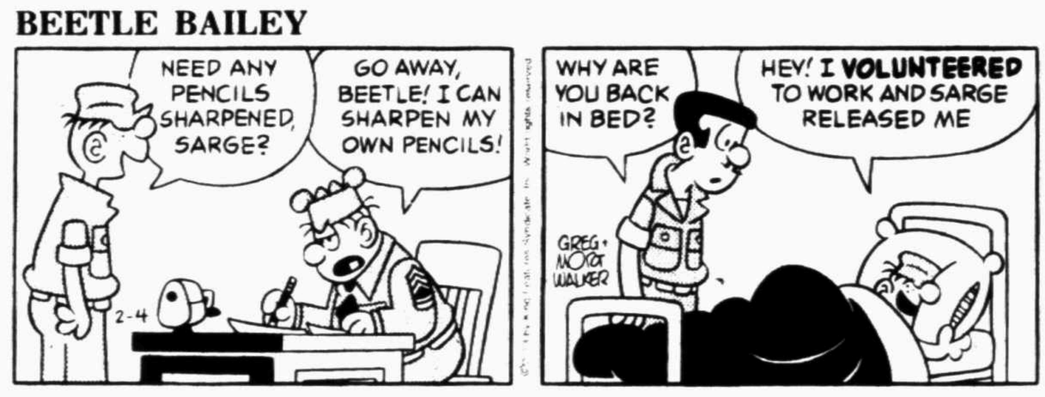

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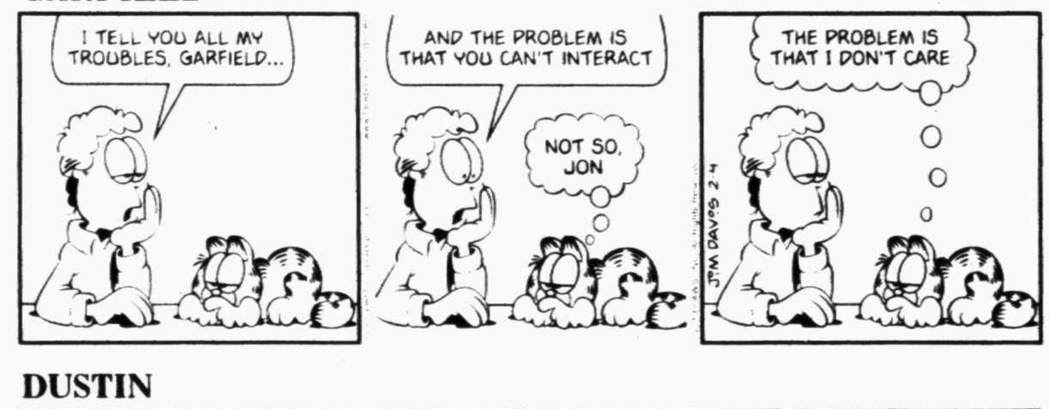

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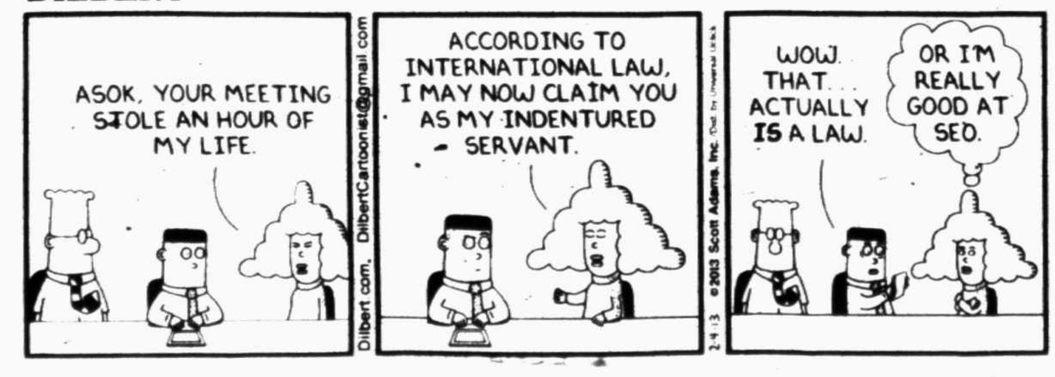

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TUESDAY: Mostly sunny High: 70 Low: 40

WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny High: 73 Low: 43

Local forecast

Expect partly sunny skies today with a high around 70 and southwest winds between 5 and 10 mph becoming northwest between 15 and 20 mph in the afternoon. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 34 and north winds between 10 and 15 mph decreasing to between 5 and 10 mph after midnight.

Tuesday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 70 and calm winds becoming southwest around 5 mph in the afternoon.

Wednesday, the forecast calls for mostly sunny skies during the day, partly cloudy skies at night, with a high around 73 and a low around 43.

The high on Sunday reached 62, while the low dropped to 31. The record high for Feb. 3 is 80 set in 1988, 1976 and 1953. The record low is 9 set in 2011.

Nation forecast

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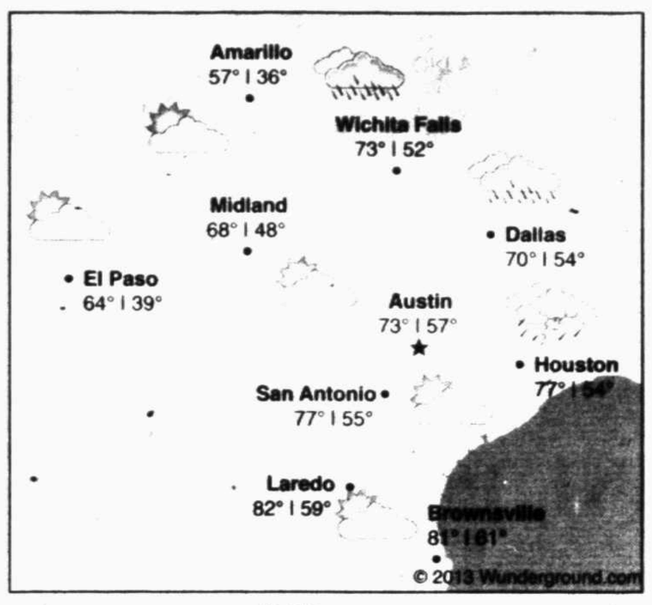

Cloudy, Thunderstorms, Flurries, Ice, Partly Cloudy, Showers, Rain, Snow

Precipitation

Saturday	0.00 in.
Sunday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.00 in.
Year total	1.45 in.
Normal total (year to date)	0.63 in.

Sunday's temperatures

High	62
Low	31
Normal high	60
Normal low	33
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Sunset	6:26 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Monday, Feb. 4

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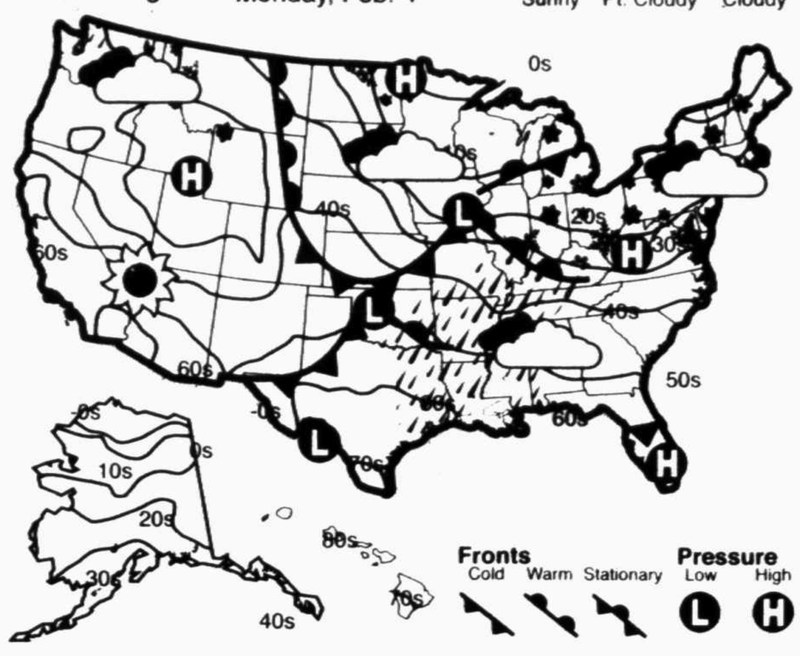

Showers, Rain, T-storms, Flurries, Snow, Ice

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DEAR ABBY: We're a military family and have moved often since my husband and I married. In the past, relocating was always easy because our two sons were younger, but we have lived in the same community for more than five years now. Our older son is 14 and a freshman in high school.

My husband has reached a point in his career where he can either retire from the military or re-enlist to finish out his 30 years. Either way, it will probably require another move. Our 11-year-old son is a free spirit who seems to adjust wherever we are. The problem is, our teenager is begging us not to move because of the friends he has in school.

I'm torn. I understand my son's reasons, and people who had to move as teens agree it's difficult when they're in high school. We live in a very small town, and I'm sure the move will take us to a larger area. I know my son will see he'll have more to do and will make a lot more friends. But he doesn't want to leave and is becoming very emotional about it.

My husband is willing to leave without us, get settled and let our son finish high school here. I don't want to separate the family. Can you help us? — NOT "AT EASE" IN GEORGIA

DEAR NOT AT EASE: Do not separate your family. If this were your son's last year of high school, I might feel differently. However, there is still plenty of time for him to make new friends at a new high school. Because he doesn't want to lose his old ones, he can stay in touch with them electronically.

What your son is experiencing is one of the realities of military life, and it may teach him to become more adept at social relationships. So think positive and do not let his fear of change hold you back.

DEAR ABBY: I have a pet peeve and it's an aggravation I encounter frequently. For some reason, people do not understand hours of business. Our hours are always clearly posted, so PLEASE don't knock on the door before the business is open.

My personal irritant has to do with closing time. When the sign says we close at 9 p.m., it means the doors lock at that time. It does NOT mean that if you can slide in the door 30 seconds before closing that we must stay and serve your needs for however long you are present.

If you can't complete your business at or before closing time, then come back tomorrow or find a business that stays open later. There are still a lot of duties to be finished after the last customer leaves and before we can go home. — HAD A LONG DAY, RICHLAND, WASH.

DEAR HAD A LONG DAY: Not only was it a long day, it appears to have been a bad one. If it wasn't, you wouldn't have forgotten that the most important thing in running a business is customer service. This sometimes can mean bending the rules.

If you find this too difficult, you can always refuse to open your door early and "remind" anyone who enters just before closing that you lock your door promptly at the posted hour for the reason you stated. Individuals who want more personalized service are, indeed, free to shop at stores with more flexible hours. (And they will.)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Q 1 — Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ A K 9 5 ♡ K Q J 7 6 ♢ J 8 ♣ 10 2
The bidding has proceeded:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♡	Pass	2♣	Pass

What do you bid now?
A — You have both majors and a sound opening bid, but no more. To bid two spades would be a reverse, showing a substantially better than minimum opening. All you can do is rebid two hearts.

Q 2 — As South, vulnerable, you hold:
♠ A J 9 7 6 ♡ 7 ♢ A Q J 6 ♣ A K 6
What is your opening bid?
A — You have a very good hand, but it contains five losers — one too many for a two-club opening bid. Open one spade and see what develops.

Q 3 — Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ A ♡ A Q J 9 5 3 ♢ A K 8 ♣ K J 10
The bidding has proceeded:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
2♣	Pass	2	Pass

What do you bid now?
A — You are in a game-forcing situation so there is no reason to steal your own bidding space by doing anything other than showing your suit as cheaply as possible. Bid two hearts and see what that brings forth from partner.

Q 4 — Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ K 10 6 3 ♡ A 7 ♢ K 9 4 ♣ Q 8 3 2
The bidding has proceeded:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♣	1♠	?	

What action do you take?
A — You must upgrade the queen in partner's suit and your holding in the overcaller's spade suit. That makes your hand too strong for a jump to two no-trump. Don't make partner do your work for you. Jump to three no-trump.

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Feb. 4, 2013:

This year interpersonal communication plays a very strong role in your success. You often might find that your efforts go unnoticed, but because of your constant attention and others' strong feedback, you will achieve what you want and more. If you are single, you'll want to decide what type of relationship you want, because you will be able to manifest just that. Romantic possibilities are most active through June. If you are attached, the two of you might start acting like young lovers again. Plan a special getaway together. SCORPIO pushes you hard. Be patient!

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You might walk into a veil of confusion because someone is not being clear. This person does not totally understand the dynamics of the situation at hand. Communicate your message with more clarity, and you will get results. Tonight: Laugh off a recent misunderstanding.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You are full of questions. Have that long-overdue discussion. Your energy rarely is sporadic, though it could be at the moment. Swallowing your anger could be one of the causes. A money-making idea sounds good — just do your research first. Tonight: Follow someone's lead.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Confusion marks your communication. Assess where the mix-up might be. Excellent ideas could fall flat today. Have some sympathy for a boss or higher-up who might be having a similar experience. Your innate good nature draws in opportunities. Tonight: Go with the moment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ You could be upset by what you see. Diving in and fixing the problem usually works, only right now the problem isn't obvious. In fact, you could have a hard time zeroing in on the dynamics involved. Remain confident. Tonight: Touch base with someone at a distance.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Where others seem to be baffled, you will have a sense of direction. You might not be able to verbalize where this knowledge comes from. A friend who understands you very well encourages you to go down an unknown path. Trust your sixth sense. Tonight: With the gang.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★ Demands seem to appear out of nowhere. This issue could involve your home, personal life and/or real estate. A parent could be involved. A partner or associate seems extremely whimsical with money, which causes you some concern. Tonight: Stay close to home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ You'll ask a lot of questions as to what is happening within your immediate circle. You want to get to the bottom of a problem. Approach issues creatively today. Do be careful when dealing with anything mechanical. News from a distance thrills you. Tonight: Keep it light and easy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Your creativity surges, and you will cook up a great idea. The problem lies in the cost. Even if you do not anticipate a financial snafu, it still could happen. Use good sense with a child or new love interest. You do not want to go overboard. Tonight: Allow greater give-and-take.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ You feel up to nearly any task. You might have an important matter to deal with, which could make you feel a little uneasy. Slow down. You can be successful doing so many different things. Lighten up the moment, and share more of your feelings. Tonight: All smiles.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You know precisely where you want to go with a conversation that is a bit overdue. Listen carefully to news, and take time to digest what you are hearing. If you feel uncomfortable, don't push at this moment. Caring flows in an unprecedented manner. Tonight: Go with a suggestion.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Confusion could result in a financial mistake. You can't be careless with money right now. Focus on other matters, where success is more likely to greet you. Your smile will warm up an important friendship. Question a long-term commitment. Tonight: Where people are.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Your way of moving through problems usually is excellent, yet today, there could be a backfire. Let others voice their opinions. A decision that already was made could be hard to carry out. An element of confusion runs through your plans. Tonight: A must appearance.

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BORN TODAY

Musician Kitaro (1953), singer/songwriter Alice Cooper (1948), boxer Oscar de La Hoya (1973)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS
1 David Copperfield's forte
6 High-ranking Indian
10 Like the Sahara
14 Last new Olds
15 Alike, in Lourdes
16 Madcap
17 Main idea, as of an argument
20 "__ Pinafore"
21 Handy bags
22 Inventor Howe
23 Candy in a wrapper
24 WSW's opposite
25 Stick to a strict budget
32 Beauty parlor
33 Saying to remember
34 Tool for a lumberjack
36 Cultivate the soil
37 Car pedal
38 Needed a Band-Aid
39 Till now
40 __ fatale
41 Town near the tip of Cape Cod
42 To the point
45 Notes after mis
46 Contents of a cruet
47 Saltwater candy
50 Rested (against)
53 __ Beta Kappa
56 Burnout cause
59 Part of USA: Abbr.
60 Like dedicated fans
61 18th-century Swiss mathematician
62 Goes bad
63 High roller's rolls
64 Baseball's Pee Wee

DOWN
1 Sitcom set in Korea
2 Homecoming visitor
3 Jeweler's inventory
4 401(k) alternative, briefly
5 Have inside
6 Take a break
7 Flu-like symptoms
8 Pokes
9 Three racing Unsers
10 Colorful garden shrub
11 Wife of a 6-Across
12 Ancient Peruvian
13 Turns blue, perhaps
18 Campus residence
19 Like someone pacing back and forth
23 Forehead
24 Rim
25 Comical Soupy
26 Maternal
27 Cheese city in northeast Italy
28 End of Rhett's sentence that begins "Frankly, my dear"
29 Like a newborn
30 Relative worth
31 Put forth, as effort
32 Le Carré character
35 Tokyo's former name
37 Puts money (on)
38 Songwriter Jacques
40 Wears at the edges
41 Social network for short messages
43 Bids
44 Male offspring
47 Old Russian monarch
48 Prefix with sphere
49 Guitar ridge
50 Volcanic output
51 City west of Tulsa
52 Does some sums
53 Ashen
54 Hurries
55 Legal memo opener
57 Carpentry tool
58 Feel bad about

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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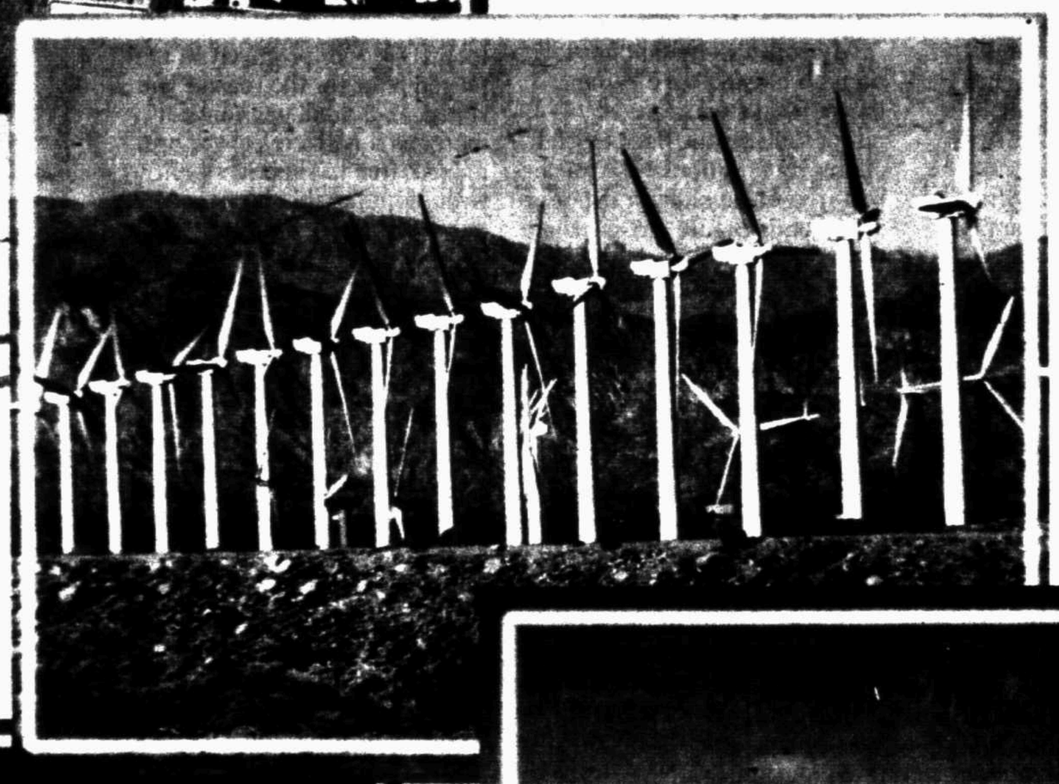

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GARY R. GANTER

The physical address of the Executor is in Odessa, Ector County, Texas, the mailing address is:

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All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

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SOLUTION TO SATURDAY'S PUZZLE

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29k miles

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RVs

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RVs

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RVs

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ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Accounting Clerk
Master Tubular FT

Midland based Company is looking for an experience accounting clerk to assist to in the processing Accounts Receivables, Accounts Payable and various other accounting tasks. Candidate should be detail oriented, have good communication skills and strong computer skills. OCTG Tubular knowledge preferred but not required. Position is available to start immediately. Salary is competitive and will be determined based on experience.

Please send resumes to humanresources@mastertubulars.com

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE CLERK
Midland's Premier Country Club FT

Is looking for an **ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE CLERK**. This individual must be detailed oriented, a self motivator and very professional. Job duties will range from collecting members charges to preparing statements, audits of point-of-sales, and preparing tip reports for accounts payable. Applicant must have at least 2 years experience. Please apply in person at **6101 N. Hwy 349, Midland, TX 79705**.

Chief Financial Officer
Guidance Center of Lea County in Hobbs, NM is accepting applications for a Chief Financial Officer. CPA preferred by not required. Interested candidates may contact Kawin Nunnery, HR Director at (575) 393-3168 or knunnery@gclcnm.org for more information and an application packet.

Senior Financial Associate opening at RBC in Midland
RBC Wealth Management FT

Do what you love and love what you do! Become a Senior Financial Associate at RBC. As a Senior Financial Associate you'll play a key role in helping clients build and manage wealth. In addition to handling some high-level administrative support tasks, you'll partner with Financial Advisors to develop new business and gather assets to manage. You'll actively be involved in the solicitation and education of new clients and in the introduction of products and services. To view the full job description and to apply to this position please visit www.rbc.com/careers. The requisition ID# is 21025.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT & PUBLISHING

COME JOIN OUR UNIVERSAL DESK

The Midland Reporter-Telegram is accepting resumés for a **full-time copy editor and page designer position** on our universal desk. The right candidate should have a knack for grammar, punctuation and Associated Press style but also can find inconsistencies in stories and isn't afraid to ask questions. He or she also should have an eye for page design.

This is a great oppo'tunity for anyone who wants to make a difference at a daily newspaper and who wants to perfect his or her craft at copy editing and page design.

A bachelor's degree in journalism or English, two years of editing experience, InDesign or Quark knowledge and proficiency in AP style are preferred. Recent college graduates and those who are graduating soon are welcome to apply. Time on a universal desk and experience editing sports copy are pluses.

The Reporter-Telegram is part of Hearst Corp. and offers a competitive salary and benefits.

If you are interested in our copy editor and page designer position, please email a cover letter, résumé, your best design samples and three references in PDF or Word format to News Editor Trevor Hawes at thawes@mrt.com. You can also mail a hardcopy submission to Midland Reporter-Telegram, Attn.: Trevor Hawes, 201 E. Illinois Ave., Midland, TX 79701. Call 432-687-8854 after 4 p.m. to learn more.

AUTOMOTIVE

Auto Body Tech
Quality Body Works in Midland is looking to hire auto body technicians. Paid vacations, holidays, medical & dental insurance, matching IRA. $22 commission rate. Please call 432-697-1234 or come by 3111 W. Front St.

Lot Attendant (Wash Bay attendant)
The Car Store is looking for a lot attendant for our Dealership. This position requires a valid license and drug screen. Please apply in person at 4030 W Wall St.

BANKING & MORTGAGE

Teller / Account Services Representative
Local Credit Union has an opening for **Teller/Account Services Representative**. Send resume to **VP Operations, 1416 Main Street, Ste. 116, Dallas, Texas 75202** or call **800-325-4614 ext. 4671**.

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

Administrative Support Position
CMC BUSINESS SYSTEMS, INC. FT

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT POSITION. CANON Copier and Fax Full Line Dealership [Full time position] Basic accounting, filing & inventory knowledge. Requires computer skills [Excel, Word] and ability to learn CMD software. Professional phone and people skills, dependable, trustworthy, self-motivated individual. Non-smoking office. Please fax resume to Business Manager at (432) 563-9397 or email to rbaker@cmcbsi.com.

Administrator/Office Manager
Christ Church Midland FT

Christ Church Midland is seeking a solid Christian to coordinate all daily and weekly admin. and secretarial functions for our 9-person staff. This key full-time, 8-5 position will be filled by an energetic person w/mgmt skills & who pays attention to detail. BS/BA preferred; send resume and cover letter to COM PIC, 5501 N. Midkiff Rd. Midland, TX 79705.

Clerical Position
Petroleum Co-Ordinators, Inc. is now hiring for land based clerical positions in Midland, TX. We provide competative rates along with great benefits, such as: 401K, Hospitalization, Dental, Vision, Vacation, Uniforms, etc. Working MS Office experience is necessary and oilfield experience is a plus. Please submit resumes to employment@petroinc.net.

Receptionist
Dr. Wilbur Lineback FT

Experienced Receptionist for fast paced Dr's office. 2104 W. Michigan Ave. Bring Resume. Apply in person. 9am-4pm.

Receptionist/Office Clerical
Accurate, Inc. FT

Seeking Receptionist/Office Clerical. Experience needed. Email: Lacie@accuratecoatings.com

Secretarial Assistant
Needed energetic, Secretarial Assistant for fast paced office. Send resume to: PO Box 923, Midland, Tx 79702.

Service Admin
Confidential F/T

Must have Excel experience. Excellent communication skills. Will train in Quickbooks. Send resume to: info@blazinsafety.com

CONSTRUCTION & FACILITIES

Experienced Concrete Pump Operator
Captial Pumping FT

Capital Pumping is Central Texas' oldest concrete pump rental company and a leading supplier of pumps with operators. We have an immediate opening for a concrete boom pump operator in Midland/Odessa. CDL and good MVR required. Must be able to pass drug test and physical. We offer competitive pay and benefits. Please email jobs@capitalpumping.com. EOE.

Manager - Construction Sales
Captial Pumping FT

Capital Pumping is Central Texas' oldest concrete pump rental company and a leading supplier of pumps with operators. We are seeking a key individual, who will be responsible for both business development in West Texas and the management of daily operations. This job requires sales and/or construction experience as well as excellent leadership, communication, and human relations skills. Successful candidate will need mechanical aptitude and ability to troubleshoot equipment problems in the field and a commercial driver's license (or ability to acquire). Preference will be given to candidates with prior concrete industry experience. We offer a salary, commission, bonuses, car allowance, and benefits. Please send your resume to jobs@capitalpumping.com. EOE.

Superintendent
Campbell Construction Co. FT

Campbell Construction Company seeking **Superintendent**
Pre-employment drug test required
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Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: etitsworth@hearstnp.com
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CUSTOMER SERVICE

Customer Service
Teraco, Inc FT

Teraco, Inc. is an industry leading plastic card manufacturer located in Midland. Guest Access, a division of Teraco, currently has a job opening in our Customer Service Department. We are looking for someone who is customer oriented, has a good work ethic, can multi-task, and can work in a fast paced environment. At least two years in customer service is required. Benefits include: paid vacation and holiday, tuition reimbursement, 401K, and health and dental insurance. Email your inquiries to resume@teraco.com.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Teachers
First Presbyterian Child Development Center seeks **Teacher** for Tuesday's & Thursday's starting now. Call 683-0851.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Entry Level Field Techs & Project Manager
TitanLiner, Inc. currently has the following employment opportunities in our Midland, TX location: **Entry Level Field Technicians** and **Project Manager**. All positions require at least a high school diploma or equivalent. Oilfield experience preferred. CDL A required if applying for Field Technician. Previous management/supervisor experience required for Project Manager position. Qualified applicants may submit resumes to **hr@titanliner.com**. No phone calls please.

Hunt OIL COMPANY

FACILITY FOREMAN

A privately held exploration and production company, Hunt Oil has successfully conducted worldwide petroleum operations for over 75 years, and is one of the world's leading independent energy companies. We are currently seeking a Facility Foreman in our Knox City, TX office.

- Supervise operation of surface facilities including CO2 recompression, water injection pumps, dehydration and associated equipment
- Supervise plant operators and mechanics
- Supervise preventative maintenance and repair of surface facilities
- High School diploma or GED
- Minimum of 10 years of experience related to facility operations or supervision (CO2 experience preferred)
- Proficient with oil field reporting software and facility control systems

Interested parties, please visit our website at www.huntoil.com and select the Career Opportunities link to find the appropriate position. You can "Apply for this Position" or if you are already registered use your email and password and select "Add to my Jobs" to be considered for this opportunity.

HSE Manager
TitanLiner, Inc. is looking to fill the position of **H.S.E. Manager**. Position will be based in our Corporate Office in Midland, TX. Responsibilities include the development & implementation of HSE & DOT program for our company, ensure compliance with OSHA & DOT, investigate work place incidents, conduct new hire safety orientations, & perform regular HSE/DOT site audits to ensure compliance. 5 or more years of work experience in the HSE discipline (preferred in Oil & Gas Industry). Safety degree and/or related certifications required. Must be able to travel 50% of the time. Must have a valid US driver's license & pass standard background check & drug test. Compensation DOE. Qualified applicants may submit resumes to **hr@titanliner.com**. No phone calls pls.

Lease Operator
BC Operating, Inc. is looking for a **Lease Operator** and to make positive contributions to our team near Goldsmith, Texas. The successful candidates must have minimum of 5 years practical field experience, and be able to provide sufficient leadership and technical skills to independently operate and troubleshoot oilfield production equipment, rod pumped oil wells, water supply wells, injection wells, production vessels, well test equipment, injection pumps, ESPs, and other related oilfield equipment. Experience reporting production information electronically in FieldDirect is a plus. A company vehicle, laptop computer, and cell phone will be furnished. Job requires some overtime. A clean driving record and high school diploma or equivalent is required. Full benefits package includes major medical, prescription drug, 401K matched 5% beginning on your 6 month anniversary, and 2 weeks of paid vacation. Qualified persons may apply by submitting a resume to Jason Wacker via e-mail, **JWacker@BCOperating.com**.

HEALTHCARE

Chairside Dental Assistant
Confidential PT

Immediate opening for Part-time Chairside Dental Assistant in Midland. Experience preferred. Please send resume to: P-17, c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, TX 79701.

CNA's / Providers
Nurses Unlimited, Inc. FT

Nurses Unlimited, Inc. is seeking experienced CNA's/Providers to assist with personal care, meal prep and light housekeeping. Part-Time. Call: 1-800-458-3257. E.O.E.

CCS CORRECT CARE

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Treatment planning/Case management. Personal days/CEU days. Paid holidays. Fax resume to 800-671-8364.

LVN
Confidential FT

Busy medical office is in need of a LVN with clinic experience. Orthopedic experience is preferred but not required. Please submit resume' to PO Box 5556, Midland, Texas 79704.

HEALTHCARE

Marketer/ Office Clerk & PRN/Weekend RN
Martin County Home Health is now taking applications for a Full Time Marketer/Office Clerk. Monday through Friday 8:30 to 5:00. Excellent Benefits with competitive pay and mileage. Also looking for PRN/Weekend RN. Call Allison Roy, RN/DON at 432-607-3249 or fax resume to 432-607-3299.

Phlebotomy Certification Class (blood drawing)
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Phone Operator
Confidential FT

Busy medical office is in need of a phone operator. A minimum of 1 year experience with heavy incoming call traffic on a multi line phone system is preferred. Medical background is required. Please submit resume' to PO Box 5556, Midland, Texas 79704.

Registered Dental Assistant
Growing practice in need of **Registered Dental Assistant**. Please email resume to **info@smilemidland.com** or fax resume to Drs. Kauffman and Campanga **432 520-0720**.

Sitters / CNA's
Nurses Unlimited, Inc. FT

Nurses Unlimited, Inc. is seeking experienced Sitters/CNA's to work for private duty clients. Must pass drug test and background check. All shifts available. E.O.E. Call 522-5080 or 1-800-201-5904.

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

All Positions
New SpringHill Suites by Marriott now accepting resumes for the following positions: Front desk, bar tenders, maintenance, and housekeeping. Please email resumes to the following email address: careers@insgniamgmt.com or fax resume to 432-699-0979 or apply in person to 4410 N Midkiff Rd. Suite D 212, Midland, TX. 79705.

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INTERNET

WANTED VB.NET/ASP.NET PROGRAMMER
Required skills and experience: 1+ years experience in developing, testing, deploying and documenting windows database applications with VB.NET or ASP.NET. Please send resume to **kwatkins@autodril.com** or contact Kristie at **(432)561-8455**.

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Security Officers
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MANUFACTURING & OPERATIONS

Manufacturing Maintenance Supervisor
Accurate, Inc. FT

Manufacturing Maintenance Supervisor
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OTHER JOBS

Available Openings
Midtown Hotel: Needing Food Beverage director, Front desk, Housekeeping, Laundry & Breakfast Attendants. No experience necessary. Salary based upon experience. Email resume to gposmantur@jyihotels.com

Farm Work
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2 Temp positions: Farm work, 03/01/13 to 12/31/13 @ $10.18 p/hr to $2100 p/m. Housing provided, 48 hrs p/ wk. 3/4 guarantee, transportation and subsistence expenses to worksite paid after 50% completion of contract. Tools, equipment provided at no cost. Duties: drive, plant, harvest, store grain, repair operate tractor, rock picker, plow, disc, drill, harvest equip, sprayer, grain truck. Must be able to operate a John Deere 7460 Cotton stripper, 4960 spraycoupe, John Deere 295R with IVT, and John Deere RTK guidance system. Minimum 3 months experience required and must be able to obtain a driver's license with 30-90 days following hire. Carl & Kara Hoelscher Farm, Garden City, TX. Contact TX Workforce Commission, 512-475-2571, job listing TX3159580.

FLOWERLAND
Accepting applications for Valentine's Delivery Drivers. Need good driving record. **Pays $6.50 per delivery.** Also accepting applications for Valentine's Phone Help. Smoke free environment. Must be 21 and over. Apply in person at 413 Andrews Highway, Midland, TX. No phone calls please.

Handyman/Janitorial Position
McClatchy Bros, Inc. FT

McClatchy Bros, Inc. is hiring Handyman/Janitorial position. Sunday thru Thursday. This is a full time position. Salary with benefits. Working hours negotiable. Apply at McClatchy Bros Inc 3901 W Industrial Midland 432-684-9691.

Janitorial Help & Floor Tech
Part-time janitorial help needed in the evening. Also, part-time & full- time janitorial floor tech needed. Please call 570-9903 or apply at 2311 Elizabeth.

Kitchen & Program Youth Workers
Boys & Girls Club of Midland seeking afternoon kitchen and program youth workers, prox. 20 hours a week, $9 - $10.50 an hour, background and drug test. Call 432)683-5297 only between 11-1 p.m. or 6-7 p.m. for more info.

Preschool Teacher
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OTHER JOBS

The Midland Reporter Telegram has an opening in its Production Department for the position of:

Pressman/Pressman Trainee

for our Harris N 1650 Printing presses. This 5- 6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires night shift weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.

Send resume and salary requirements to:
John Maddox, Production Director
c o Midland Reporter Telegram
201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701
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or
come by 201 E. Illinois Street to fill out an application.

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Press Operator
House of Printing FT
Printing Production & Bindery Operator M/F 8-5. Benefits/DOE. Call 683-1740.

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General

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Midland Reporter-Telegram

Selling Newspapers On The Street Corners
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TOMMY 967-2267

Wait Staff & Sales
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WAREHOUSE / DELIVERY PERSON
Driggers Supply Company now hiring for **Warehouse/Delivery Person**. PT, flexible hours. Apply at **1300 W. Front St.** or call **432-682-9728**

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Commercial CSR
Seeking full time position with an insurance agency in Midland, TX. Must have experience in commercial property and casualty insurance. License preferred but not required. 432.683.4619

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

All Positions
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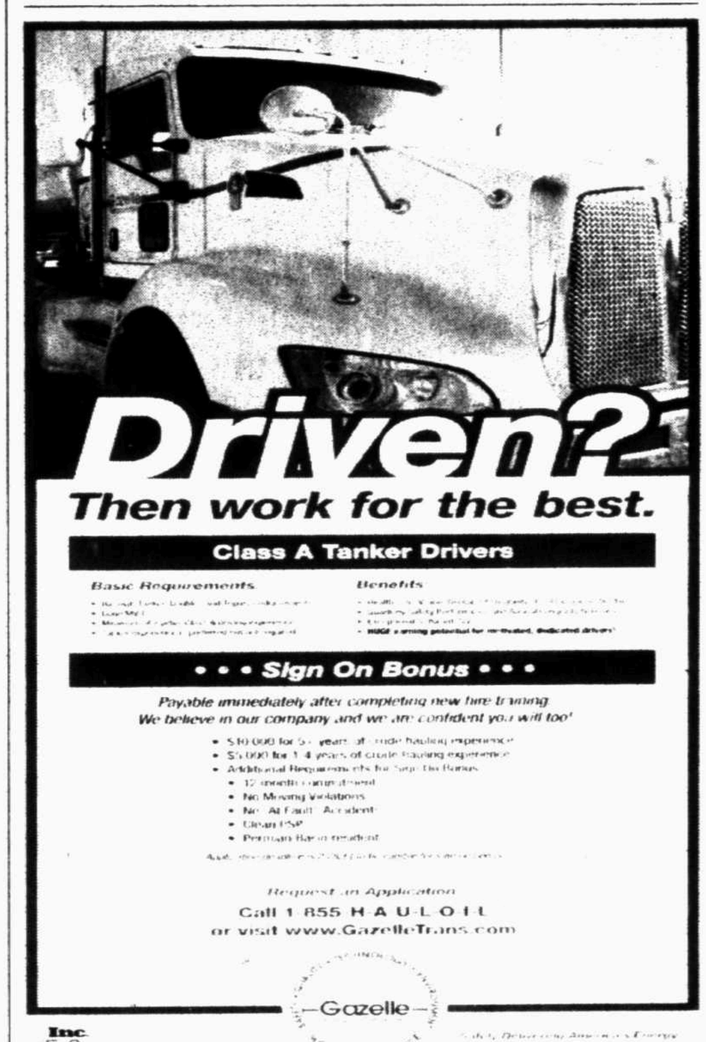

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