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Speaker: Shale producers, OPEC play different games

By Mella McEwen
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There is a consensus that U.S. shale producers are winning the tug of war with members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

One reason is that the two sides are playing different games, said John Harpole, founder and president of Littleton, Colorado-based Mercator Energy.

Harpole, addressing last week's annual CO2/ROZ Conference at the Horseshoe, told his audience that OPEC countries "don't understand capitalism or property rights. They don't understand what we're doing."

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State-owned oil companies are playing a long-term game, he said, while American shale producers are playing a short-term investment cycle game, Harpole said.

"I don't think OPEC understands that business model. They don't understand capitalism or fee ownership. And how to you explain George Mitchell and his persistence?" he said, referring to the founder of Mitchell Energy, who found a way to utilize hydraulic fracturing to crack open shale rocks.

The efficiencies that have been gained in the last few years were unimaginable just 10 years ago, he said. "Having to report to your shareholders every week, every day, how efficient you are, has driven efficiency. State-owned companies don't grasp that," he said.

The nation's shale revolution is building an economic backbone that provides the nation with energy security that will let it withstand the threat of being cut off from Middle Eastern oil, Harpole said.

The United States is forecast to exit 2018 producing 9.6 million barrels of oil per day, he said. From 2009 to 2014, 55 percent of the growth in petroleum and natural gas liquids came from the United States.

Harpole went on to discuss uncertainties facing the industry, including the threat of a war with North Korea and how that could impact U.S. exports to that region.

He said 10 percent of South Korea's liquefied natural gas comes from Cheniere Energy's Sabine Pass facility.

Other uncertainties are the unrest in

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CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midlanders enjoy the Christmas parade Saturday. See more photos from the event on **Page 5A.**

Performance report: MISD students improve, still trail average

Editor's note: Midland ISD made the Texas Academic Performance Report available late Friday. Additional coverage on the report is planned for future editions.

By Stewart Doreen
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Midland ISD students are seeing some improvements, but they also — for the most part — are trailing their counterparts when it comes to academic performance.

This was revealed in the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR), which the school board will make available to interested residents. The district will host a public hearing on its 2016-17 performance report on Monday during board's regularly scheduled meeting, which is slated to begin at 5:30 p.m. in the auditorium of Bowie Fine Arts Academy, 805 Elk Ave.

Following the public hearing, the TAPR reports will be available at each campus, the district's central office, and on all campus and district web pages. State, district, and campus performance reports may be accessed via the Texas Education Agency website at www.tea.texas.gov.

The report indicates that 14 percent of MISD students "mastered" their grade level (compared to 20 percent of students across the state), according to a comparison of 2017 STAAR data. The district also notes 38 percent "meets" grade level (state 48 percent), 67 approaches grade level (state 75 percent) and 59 percent met or exceeded progress (state 61 percent).

Breaking down that data, of the 26 groups consisting of students from third grade through 12th grade,15 approached grade level at a higher percentage than last year. Only one — eighth-grade mathematics — outperformed the state

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Debt payments 101

The information is total debt (principal and interest) as reported by the Texas Bond Review Board as of Aug. 31.

Debt collected by all taxing entities

City	Population	Total debt
Pasadena	153,351	$7,970,150,556
Frisco	163,656	$4,756,967,850
Conroe	82,286	$3,780,973,210
Denton	133,808	$3,724,773,270
Mesquite	143,756	$2,884,874,444
Sugar Land	88,177	$2,725,620,198
Plano	286,057	$2,220,349,978
Lubbock	252,506	$1,888,406,591
McKinney	172,298	$1,594,692,274
San Marcos	61,980	$1,362,468,108
College Station	112,141	$1,030,109,277
Tyler	104,798	$1,002,435,720
McAllen	142,212	$940,616,287
Waco	134,432	$888,356,389
Midland	**134,610**	**$747,877,874**
Waxahachie	34,345	$708,153,408
Odessa	**117,871**	**$658,543,711**
Boerne	14,725	$596,288,292
Killeen	143,400	$553,138,738
Seguin (Guadalupe Co.)	28,614	$422,986,723
Cleburne	30,273	$401,623,416

ISD debt

Frisco	$3,260,159,868
Conroe	$1,677,572,450
Denton	$1,417,475,414
Sugar Land	$1,359,222,623
Plano	$1,220,961,221
Pasadena	$1,093,808,440
Mesquite	$882,349,767
Tyler	$748,716,312
McKinney	$681,146,481
College Station	$517,315,893
Boerne	$445,962,931
Waxahachie	$430,456,820
Midland	**$335,287,954**
San Marcos	$302,782,624
Odessa	**$260,010,875**
Waco	$247,476,025
Cleburne	$230,571,661
Seguin	$225,755,706
McAllen	$117,654,461
Killeen	$61,337,263

City government debt

Lubbock	$1,473,741,988
Denton	$1,409,667,683
Frisco	$1,031,027,188
Sugar Land	$580,707,977
Waco	$503,754,448
Plano	$533,627,963
McKinney	$447,784,999
College Station	$404,920,608
San Marcos	$375,695,135
Killeen	$330,409,594
McAllen	$311,658,127
Mesquite	$297,625,777
Conroe	$292,841,758
Waxahachie	$202,276,497
Midland	**$192,676,050**
Seguin	$180,656,336
Odessa	**$157,361,951**
Pasadena	$153,198,728
Cleburne	$130,704,681
Boerne	$114,969,780
Tyler	$82,060,606

Counties 21-29 in terms of population size

McLennan Co. (Waco)	247,934	$888,356,389
Smith Co. (Tyler)	225,290	$1,002,435,720
Brazos Co. (College Station)	220,417	$1,030,109,277
Hays Co. (San Marcos)	204,470	$1,362,468,108
Ellis Co. (Waxahachie)	168,449	$708,153,408
Johnson Co. (Cleburne)	163,274	$401,623,416
Midland Co. (Midland)	**162,656**	**$747,877,874**
Guadalupe Co. (Seguin)	155,265	$422,986,723
Ector Co. (Odessa)	157,462	$658,543,711

Cities 17-25 in terms of population size

McKinney	172,298	$1,594,692,274
Frisco	163,656	$4,756,967,850
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Total debt payments isn't just one community's issue

By Stewart Doreen
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■ ANALYSIS

When the Reporter-Telegram recently reported the total debt payments of Midland's five taxing entities is approaching $1 billion, the next question that came to mind is how that compares to other communities.

So, the Reporter-Telegram reviewed data from the Texas Bond Review Board and did an apples-to-apples comparison. When comparing community A with community B across the state, that is not always easy.

For instance, the community in our comparison group carrying the most total debt payments (principal and interest) was Pasadena, which is located just on the outskirts of Houston. The main reason Pasadena tops the list is the city is located inside the most populous county in the state — Harris County, which just by itself carried total debt payments of $5.566 million as of Aug. 31, according to the TBRB.

Similar instances occurred with communities in the Metroplex that were part of Dallas, Collin or Denton counties or a comparison of a similar-sized city (McAllen) in Hidalgo County, which also dwarfs Midland County. Being part of a large metropolitan area could attach a community to a county, hospital district or even a community college system that made total debt payment comparisons with Midland a little trickier.

In the end, we found some of the more interesting comparisons with cities in a similar population bracket (17th through the 25th largest in the state) and among the larger counties in the 21st through 29th largest counties. Midland is the 23rd largest city, and Midland County is the 27th largest county in the state, according to the Texas State Library and Archives Commission, which cites Census numbers from July 1, 2016.

With our findings for the 21 communities, we broke them down by those in the previously mentioned population sizes and then compared all of them by independent school district and city government.

After studying the data, can we say how much debt is reasonable for a community like Midland — one of the 25 largest cities in the state but not connected to a major population center, a Division I university or military base?

No, but we have a better idea where we stand.

Of the 21 communities we selected, Midland ranked 15th in total debt carried by its taxing entities ($747,877,874). The only community with a larger population that carried less debt was Killeen ($553,138,738).

As it turned, the comparison of larger cities in similar-sized counties was more apples to apples. Midland is right in the middle of the pack when it came to total debt payments. It trails communities such as Tyler, Waco, College Station and San Marcos, but is ahead of smaller communities such as Odessa and significantly smaller communities such as Seguin, Cleburne and Waxahachie.

When it comes to the total debt payments being carried by independent school districts, Midland ISD ranks 13th of 21. For city government, Midland ranks 15th. Midland was the ninth largest community overall.

Museum of the Southwest director resigns as annual Christmas events begin

By Rich Lopez
From staff reports

In a press release late week, the Museum of the Southwest announced that it accepted the resignation of Executive Director Lee Ortega. After a committee-led search, Ortega was named director in April by the museum's board of trustees and began her position in June. She came to Midland from the Fort Smith Regional Art Museum in Arkansas.

Her resignation was tendered Dec. 1 as the museum's annual Christmas at the Mansion events were starting. Specific details about her leaving were not mentioned.

From the Museum of the Southwest:

"The Museum of the Southwest has accepted the resignation of its Executive Director Lee Ortega. The museum wishes Ms. Ortega well in her new endeavors. During the interim, Karmen Hendrix Bryant will serve as interim executive director while the museum seeks a new executive director. "In announcing Ms. Ortega's resignation, the executive committee of the museum's board of trustees emphasized that all Christmas at the Mansion events and the various programs scheduled for 2018 will proceed as previously announced. The public can see a schedule of these events at museumsw.org."

Bryant began serving on Monday. No word if a new committee will be formed for a new search or if previous candidates will be considered.

Texas falling behind in HPV vaccinations, study says

By Alex Arriaga
Texas Tribune

Texans are falling behind the rest of the country in getting vaccinated against the most common sexually transmitted infection — making them more vulnerable to several types of cancer, a new study says.

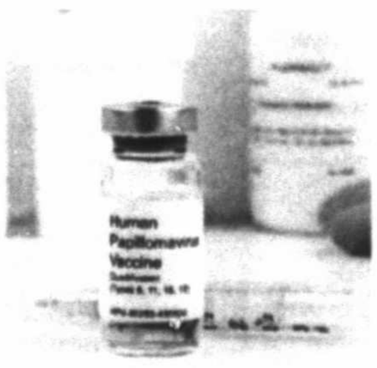
Human papillomavirus is preventable through a routine vaccine recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for adolescents, but Texas currently has the fifth-lowest vaccination rate in the country, according to the study released Wednesday by the University of Texas System Office of Health Affairs. The report lays out vaccination coverage estimates for 13- to 17-year-olds in Texas based on data from the National Immunization Survey-Teen.

According to the report, just 39.7 percent of women and 26.5 percent of men in Texas between the ages of 13 and 17 were up-to-date with the vaccine in 2016. Only Wyoming, Mississippi, South Carolina and Utah had lower vaccination rates. Rhode Island and the District of Columbia had the highest vaccination rates at 70.8 and 60.2 percent, respectively — both require HPV vaccines for school entry. The national average was 43.4 percent.

About 90 percent of men and 85 percent of women in the United States will contract HPV at some point in their lives, according to the report. Symptoms can include warts on or around the genitals.

More importantly, however, the virus has been linked with cancer of the cervix, vagina, penis, mouth, throat and tonsils. Texas saw 2,801 cases of HPV-associated cancer between 2009 and 2013, according to the CDC.

Vaccination against HPV is ultimately



Sherry Young/Dreamstime/TNS

The HPV vaccine has proven to be a safe and effective way to prevent HPV infection.

meant to protect against these forms of cancer, said Dr. David Lakey, a former commissioner at the Texas Department of State Health Services and one of the authors of the report.

Some of the misinformation about the virus and the vaccine has made it difficult to reach patients, Lakey said.

"When the vaccine came out, it was labeled as a vaccine against an STD," he said. "It was thought, 'Our kids will not engage in sexual activity; we don't need this.'"

Chris Van Deusen, spokesperson for Texas Department of State Health Services, said the department is planning to launch a new childhood immunization campaign in 2018 to increase awareness and improve vaccination rates.

"The public health system, including DSHS and local health departments, certainly encourages vaccination," Van Deusen said. "Ultimately, of course, that's a decision parents make in consultation with their child's health care provider."

The report also found that HPV vaccination varies across the state. Dallas County had the lowest rate in Texas with 23.9 percent coverage, while El Paso County had the highest with 66 percent.

"Health educators and employees who work with the vaccination program are trained to provide knowledge about vaccinations to our community, a factor in getting people comfortable," said Armando Saldivar, a City of El Paso Department of Public Health spokesperson. "There's a mindset that vaccinations are a good thing."

The report said Hispanic adolescents in the state had the highest rate of vaccine coverage and that men were less likely than women to be vaccinated. It also found that those living in urban areas were more likely to be vaccinated than rural residents.

Greg Parkington, health systems manager at the American Cancer Society, said his group is working to close the geographic and gender gaps in HPV prevention.

"There's a lot of misinformation out there about the vaccine, but bottom line: The vaccine is safe," Parkington said. "It should be no different than getting a polio, measles or mumps vaccine — it's cancer prevention, and people should take a strong interest in the vaccine to protect their children's future."

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MISD

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average.

Five of six groups met grade level at a higher percentage, compared to last year. The same number mastered their grade level at a higher rate compared to 2016. As far as "meeting" or "mastering" grade level, no groups outperformed the state average.

The report also shows that 62.1 percent of district graduates were "career and college ready" in 2015-16 compared to 55.1 percent in 2014-15. The state average was 75.9 percent.

The number of students taking the SAT or ACT tests went down. The district reports 41.1 percent of the class of 2016 took one of the college entrance exams. That number is down from 43.5 percent the previous year and more than 30 percentage points lower than the state average (71.6).

While a smaller percentage took the tests, those test-takers scored at a clip that was higher than the state average (1425 to 1375 for the SAT and 21.0 to 20.3 on the ACT).

The district profile that is part of the TAPR shows the most students during the 2016-17 school year were in grades 1 through 3 (more than 2,000 in each grade). Hispanics made up 61.9 percent of the student population in all grades. White students were a distant second at 26.3 percent. The percentage of economically disadvantaged was 50.4 percent, which is lower than the 59 percent state average.

The district reports average class sizes around 19 students in kindergarten through fourth grade and more than 21 students in fifth and sixth grades.

Of the district's teachers, 67.3 percent are white (compared to 26.7 percent who are Hispanic). More than 81 percent are female, according to the district, and more than 40 percent have five years of experience or less. MISD's teacher turnover rate in 2016-17 was 19.5 percent. The state average was 16.4 percent.

Teachers at MISD are making more than the state average, no matter the experience level. The average salary for an MISD teacher is $53,197 (compared to a state average of $52,525). The average salary for an official in "campus leadership" is $76,587 (state average is $76,471). Central administrators make around 14 percent more than the state average (the largest disparity listed), drawing an average paycheck of $114,375 (compared to $100,397).

GAMES

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Venezuela; what would happen in a face-off between Saudi Arabia and Iran; and the battle between China, Japan and the Philippines over the South China Sea. He said a third of the world's crude and more than half of its LNG come through the South China Sea.

The growth in U.S. crude and natural gas production has the country "poised to meet any decline in worldwide production for the foreseeable future," Harpole said.

In the meantime, "efficiency, efficiency, efficiency" is driving growth in domestic oil field activity, he said.

Half of the drilling rigs that have been put to work have been added in the Permian Basin, "but there are sweet spots in other basins," Harpole said.

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Candidate filings

Filings for office for the 2018 primary elections will continue through 6 p.m. Monday. Those interested in running can contact Republican Party Chair Sherri Merket at sherri.b.merket@gmail.com or Democratic Party Chair David Rosen at dr5002@yahoo.com.

Republican Party filings

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James Beauchamp
Stephen Robertson

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John Wesley Barton



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Officials help out at the Gingerbread Haven event this past week at the Horseshoe complex. The sixth annual event benefits Midland Fair Havens

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Kerry Manzo

Things to do

Today

■ Old Miner's Maze interactive adventure features a maze, rock walls, mechanical bull and more, noon to 6 p.m., 4305 N. County Road 1140. oldminersmaze.com.

■ West Texas North Pole Village will feature Santa and Mrs. Claus, hayrides, Rudolph's Candy Store and more, noon, Rolling 7's Ranch Event Center, 11700 W. County Road 122, Odessa. $10 adults, $5 with unwrapped gift.

■ Bridge game play, 1:30 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

■ "The Nutcracker" by Midland Festival Ballet, 2:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $18-$59. midlandfestivalballet.org.

■ Bingo Nights, 4 p.m., American Legion, 501 Veterans Airpark Lane. 682-5511.

■ Pet Photos with Santa, 6-8 p.m., Midland Park Mall, 4511 N. Midkiff Road. simon.com/petphoto.

Wednesday

■ "The Forgotten Carols," 7:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $22-$38. wagnernoel.com.

■ MOSC: "Merry Texas Christmas Y'all" with Asleep at the Wheel benefiting the Midland Odessa Symphony and Chorale, 7:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $22-$38. wagnernoel.com.

■ MOSC: "Merry Texas Christmas Y'all" with Asleep at the Wheel benefiting the Midland Odessa Symphony and Chorale, 7:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $25-$75. wagnernoel.com.

Saturday

■ Family Fitmas is a healthy holiday celebration with obstacle courses, a trail mix bar and photos with Santa. Open to the community. 7 a.m.-2 p.m., Midland YMCA, 800 N. Big Spring St. midlandymca.org.

■ Saturday Movie: "The Polar Express," 2 p.m., Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

■ Pancakes with Santa by the Knights of Columbus, 6-8 p.m., St. Ann's Catholic Church, 1906 W. Texas Ave. Guests can listen to the story of St. Lucy, make an ornament for the church and have a picture taken with Santa.

Meetings this week

Midland ISD
5:30 p.m. Monday
Bowie Elementary, 805 Elk Ave.

City Council
10 a.m. Tuesday
Council Chambers City Hall
300 N. Loraine Ave.

Today in History

Today is Sunday, Dec. 10, the 344th day of 2017. There are 21 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1964, Martin Luther King Jr. received his Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo, saying he accepted it "with an abiding faith in America and an audacious faith in the future of mankind."

In 1972, baseball's American League adopted the designated hitter rule on an experimental basis for three years.

Ten years ago: Suspended NFL star Michael Vick was sentenced by a federal judge in Richmond, Virginia, to 23 months in prison for bankrolling a dogfighting operation and killing dogs that underperformed (Vick served 19 months at Leavenworth).

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Daily 4 night: 5-1-1-6
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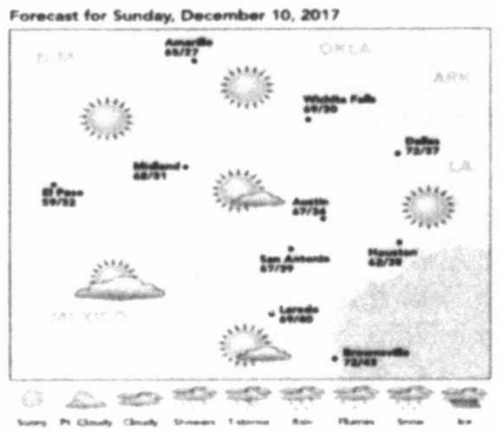
Saturday's temperatures
High ... 67
Low ... 29
Normal high ... 59
Normal low ... 31

Dec. 9's records
Record high: 81, set in 1970
Record low: 13, set in 1978

Precipitation
Saturday ... 0.00 in.
Sunday ... 0.00 in.
Month total ... 0.36 in.
Year total ... 17.70 in.
Normal total (year to date) ... 14.18 in.

Winds
Average wind speed: 10.2 mph
Highest wind speed: 21 mph
Highest gust speed: 26 mph

Forecast for Sunday, December 10, 2017



Today's forecast
High: 66
Low: 35
Conditions: Sunny during the day/mostly clear at night
Winds: 10-15 mph, gusts up to 25 mph
Chance of rain: None

Sunrise ... 7:38 a.m.
Sunset ... 5:45 p.m.

Source: National Weather Service

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

Note: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Sagittarius and a Moon in Virgo if born before 10:02 p.m. (ET). Afterward, the Moon will be in Libra.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Dec. 10, 2017

This year you excel, especially when you need to clear your mind and/or take the lead. Others might be highly provocative at times, but you develop an inner focus that allows you to remain unaffected. You also benefit from time spent alone. If you are single, choose your sweetie with care. You might discover that someone you meet is not the person he or she projects. If you are attached, the two of you benefit from time spent alone together. You often opt to stay at home as a couple rather than go out and about. LIBRA might be very romantic.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You can push yourself only so far to achieve the results you desire. Fatigue marks your behavior. Be wise and squeeze in a nap when you can. You could be very busy this coming week. Don't let a loved one rain on your parade. **Tonight:** Accept a last-minute invitation.

This Week: Be willing to let others take the lead.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Allow greater give-and-take between you and others. You might shock yourself by revealing something you mainly keep to yourself. Feeling so comfortable with someone is a good indication of the potential intimacy that exists between you. **Tonight:** Live in the moment.

This Week: Focus on getting the job or project done.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Hang close to home, if you can. You could be getting into the holiday spirit and going through your list of to-dos. Honor a change of plans that involves an older relative. If you think about it, confusion tends to surround this person. **Tonight:** Get on the same page as others.

This Week: Your playful side emerges.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Don't hesitate to speak your mind, but expect others to respond. A friend could be quite defensive, depending on how you approach a certain topic. You might need to calm the situation for the moment and not worry about resolving it just yet. **Tonight:** Dinner for two.

This Week: Your creativity flourishes.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ You might be busy running holidays errands and crossing things off your gift list. A surprise call or interaction with someone at a distance could trip up your plans, or at least your concentration. Understand what needs to be done. **Tonight:** Catch up on a friend's news.

This Week: Keep talking and sharing with a key person in your life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ You seem to have all your ducks in a row, and might be in the process of completing quite a few holiday-related errands. Try to understand where a friend is coming from. Join this person for a late lunch or some other fun activity. **Tonight:** Enjoy a spontaneous get-together!

This Week: Be sure you can handle the ramifications of your spending.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Your whereabouts might be difficult to determine during the day. You might opt to play it low-key during the daylight hours. You are able to make quite a difference in someone's life once you reconnect. Confusion surrounds a partner. **Tonight:** Go along with a suggestion.

This Week: Focus on one item at a time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ You'll discover how important it is to spend quality time with friends. Though the holidays are only temporary, having fun with your friends will revitalize you for a while. You might share a confusing moment or two with a loved one. **Tonight:** Not to be found.

This Week: You'll perk up and feel more in control by Thursday.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Pressure to bring others together with a holiday gathering will be quite intense. You need to honor your feelings and know when to say "enough is enough." You carry an inordinate amount of responsibilities on your shoulders, and you need a break. **Tonight:** Meet friends.

This Week: You notice that the holiday spirit is unusually contagious.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You could be quite tired and not know which way to go in a personal matter. If you had a better sense of direction, you would be able to act. Opt to listen to some great music. Some of you will want to join a loved one. **Tonight:** Recharge your batteries with some extra R and R.

This Week: You remain in the limelight most of the week.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ One-on-one relating points to a quiet yet meaningful day. Whether you go off on an adventure or help a friend with his or her holiday shopping makes little difference. The company you keep tends to be rewarding and fun. **Tonight:** Go off and listen to some holiday music.

This Week: You quickly gain a new perspective.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Defer to a partner, as he or she has strong ideas about how to manage the next few days. You'll want to join in on the excitement that this person has for the holidays. You might even spread some holiday cheer on your own. **Tonight:** Don't forget to put up the mistletoe.

This Week: Get into the togetherness that exists between you and a loved one.

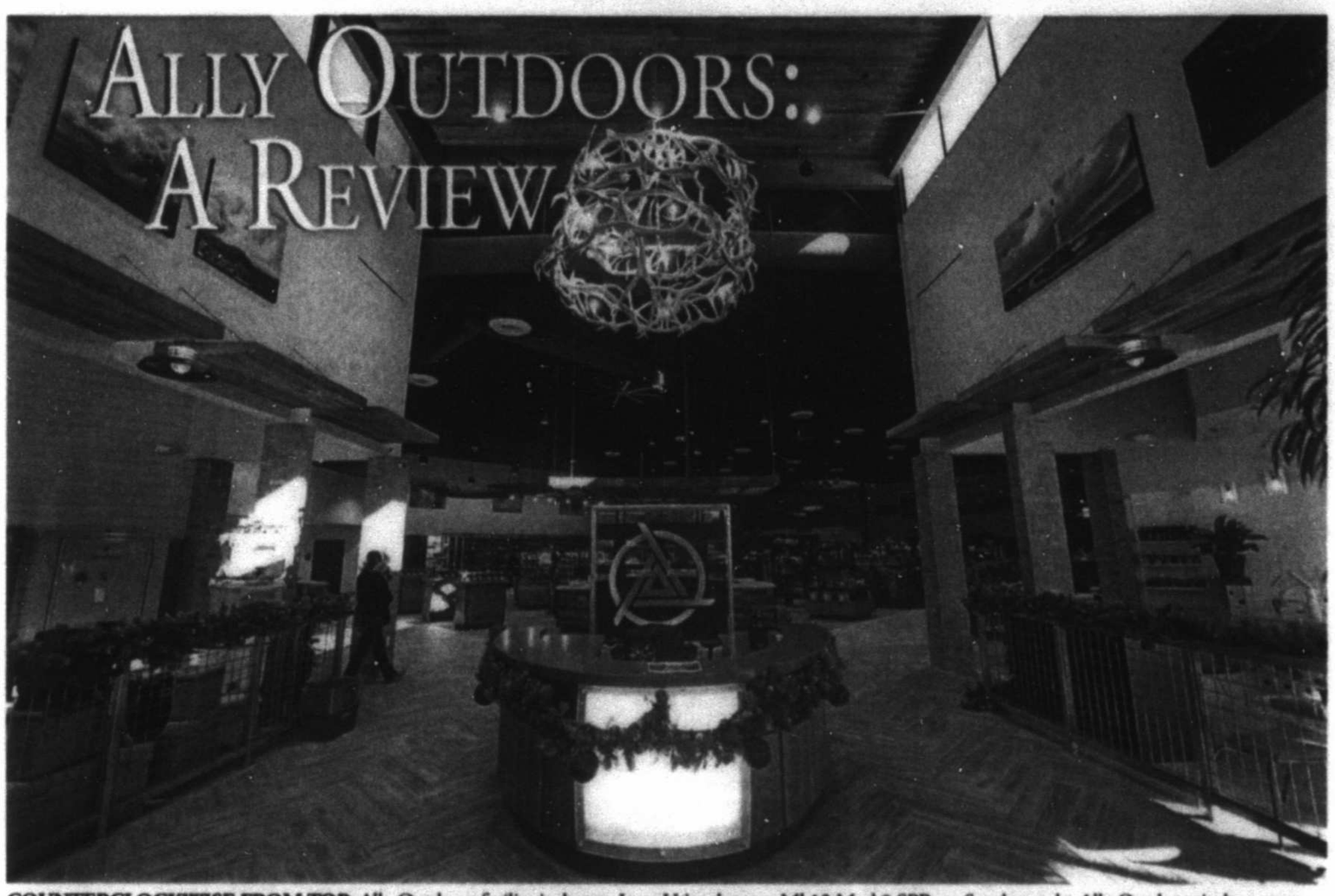
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ALLY OUTDOORS: A REVIEW



COUNTERCLOCKWISE FROM TOP: Ally Outdoors facility is shown. Isaac Urias shoots a Mk12 Mod 0 SPR on Sunday at the Ally Outdoors indoor range featuring five 100-yard lanes. Ally Cafe inside the Ally Outdoors facility. Members of the Anderson family drop off firearms for the staff gunsmith to go over.







Photos by James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

By James Durbin

THE FACILITY

Walking through the sliding doors of the Ally Outdoors facility, what comes into view is not the expected sight of a retail gun store.

Visitors walk through an elegant open entryway, past a trendy cafe, and into a well-lit showroom with high-quality outdoor items displayed openly.

A very Texan, "come and stay a while" mentality pervades the showroom, as customers are invited to handle the items on display.

At one end of the store, two customers pass a CZ 12 gauge shotgun between them, discussing the reliability of the gas operating system, and at another end of the showroom, a customer hoists a Leupold rifle scope up to his eyes, testing the clarity of the glass firsthand before making a purchase.

The 60,000 square-foot facility, featuring a range, gunsmith, VIP lounge and restaurant, is Ge, according to Ally Outdoors officials.

"Midland had a need," says Collier Pennington, chief operations officer of Ally Outdoors. "We can expand the quality of life as far as finding outdoor items and helping people out."

James Gripp, chief executive officer, agreed, saying "Ally is not a place for just certain people. It's a place for everybody. Families, women, children, everybody can come enjoy this place."

An on-site cafe features products from Midland Meat Company and also offers a kids menu.

Local Midlander Kali Davis, chef of the Ally cafe, said she is "really proud of this new place in Midland for local people to come eat fresh food, good food, for lunch hour."

"I'm proud that Midland is getting some cool new places," Davis said.

Speaking with the owners and employees of Ally Outdoors, it is obvious how proud they all are of what Ally Outdoors brings to the Permian Basin.

"It's finally here and it's better than we expected,"Pennington said

THE RANGE

The Ally Outdoors range features 35 individual shooting lanes.

The total divides out to five 100-yard lanes, 12 standard 25-yard lanes, six tactical 25-yard lanes, six VIP membership lanes and six archery/pellet gun lanes.

Isaac Urias, range manager at Ally Outdoors, brags that it is very rare

for an indoor range to have 100-yard lanes.

"It allows you to get that perfect zero," said Urias, "and you don't have to worry about the outside conditions."

Urias is also quick to address a common issue that comes with shooting a rifle at an indoor range; excessive noise.

Urias pointed out baffling installed at the end of the lane openings that serve to keep muzzle blast from entering the adjacent lanes. Sound deadening material and angular baffling was also present on the walls and ceiling the entire length of the 100-yard bay.

It has been my personal experience when shooting common sporting rifles at indoor ranges that wearing foam ear plugs under ear muffs (doubling up the ear protection) is the most comfortable way to endure the noise.

At Ally Outdoors, I removed the foam plugs and was completely comfortable with a standard ear muff, without electronic noise dampening, even standing a few feet from a rifle featuring an aggressive

muzzle brake.

Moving on to the standard 25-yard bays, they appeared similar to those in other indoor ranges. I did notice an abundance of sound deadening material in these bays as well. The target controls are electronic and represent the latest in range technology.

The real fun began once I entered the tactical bays.

Tactical bays are available to those who choose to pay for the mid-level and high-level club memberships. They feature wider lanes with smart target carriers that have interactive drills. Digital touch screens are positioned in each bay and are used to control the interactive shooting experience.

Targets will change distance and present themselves at randomly timed intervals, increasing the level of marksmanship and discretion that is required to make a hit.

The top tier VIP membership package ensures access to the same tactical bays but in a separate, private VIP area.

THE RETAIL SPACE

The 60,000 square foot facility dedicates 8,500 square feet to retail sales.

Friendly staff members appeared eager to assist and were seen conversing with customers.

Dane Bowden, retail manager at Ally Outdoors, rattled off a list of premium outdoor clothing brands represented in the store, including Arc'teryx, Vertx, First Lite, Sitka and Oakley.

Fishing equipment, clothing and knives abound in the store, but when it comes to guns, the amount of inventory on hand at Ally Outdoors is staggering to behold.

Many of the popular sporting arms are displayed on open racks where prospective customers can handle them to their hearts content.

Gun prices at Ally Outdoors are competitive, even compared to internet sellers, and many hard-to-find items were on hand at reasonable prices.

Pistols in the Sig Sauer Legion series are popular at the moment, and there were three variations displayed at Ally Outdoors, including a less common single-action P226 version. The price on that particular firearm was identical to the lowest advertised price I could find online using a popular 'price-scouring' search engine.

I also noticed two uncommon Glock 19 models in inventory, one a RTF (Rough Textured Frame) and the other a Gen 4 in full flat dark earth livery, and both were within $50 of the lowest advertised price I could find online. After adding shipping and FFL transfer fees the difference in price for the online items is hardly noticeable.

SAFETY

It was apparent that safety was a top priority at Ally Outdoors.

The staff is in constant communication via radio headsets and all areas of the facility are monitored.

Guns enter and exit the range in closed cases. New shooters, identified via a questionnaire on the mandatory waiver, receive extra attention.

Ranges are monitored remotely, via computer and human overwatch. I witnessed this system in action during my visit to the 100-yard range, when the door to the bay did not close completely. Within one minute the automated range software identified a fault with the door that could affect the ventilation and notified staff members to close the door.

ALLY OUTDOORS MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

(Prices are introductory rates and are subject to change after Dec. 18)

Military/Law Enforcement/First Responder discount
Half-off
Registration fee: $10 off monthly

Non-member walk-ins
$20/hr - 25-yard range
$30/hr - 100-yard range

Standard Individual Membership
25-yard bay access
100-yard bay access at $10/hr
Ability to reserve your lane online
Eye and ear protection provided
Two basic standard targets/day provided
$10 for each additional guest
One-time registration fee: $100
Monthly membership fee: $50
(discounted rate for paying one year up front: $550)

Standard Family Membership
Primary user, secondary user, 2 kids under 21 years old
25-yard bay access
100-yard bay access at $10/hr
Ability to reserve your lane online
Eye and ear protection provided
Two basic standard targets/day provided
$10 for each additional guest
One-time registration fee: $150
Monthly membership fee: $75
(discounted rate for paying one year up front: $825)

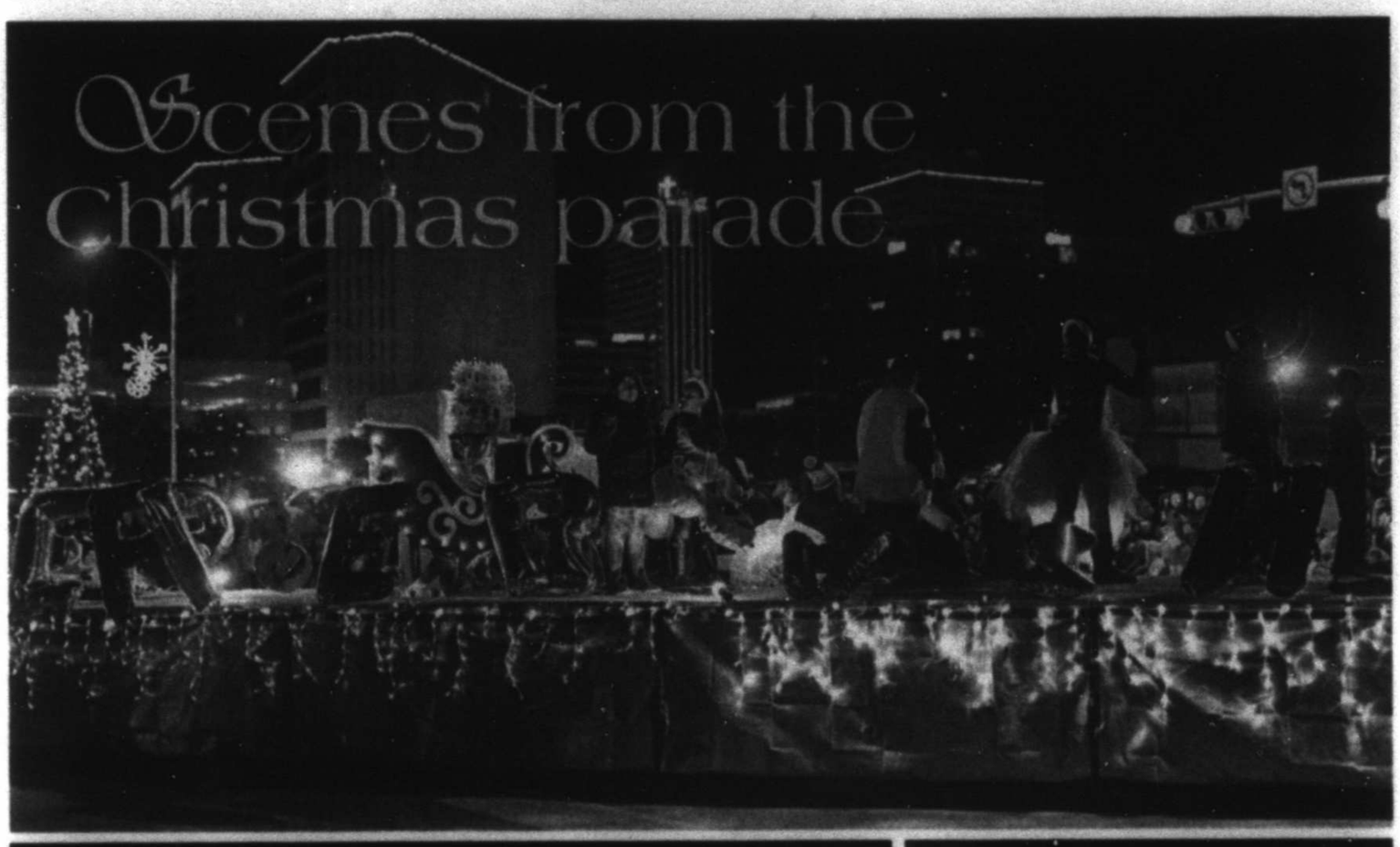
Tactical Individual Membership
Tactical 25-yard bay access
100-yard bay access
Ability to reserve your lane online
Eye and ear protection provided
Basic standard targets provided
One specialty target/day provided
25 guest passes/year
$10 for each additional guest
Two complimentary FFL transfers/year
5 percent retail discount
10 percent training/event discount
One-time registration fee: $150
Monthly membership fee: $125
(discounted rate for paying one year up front: $1,375)

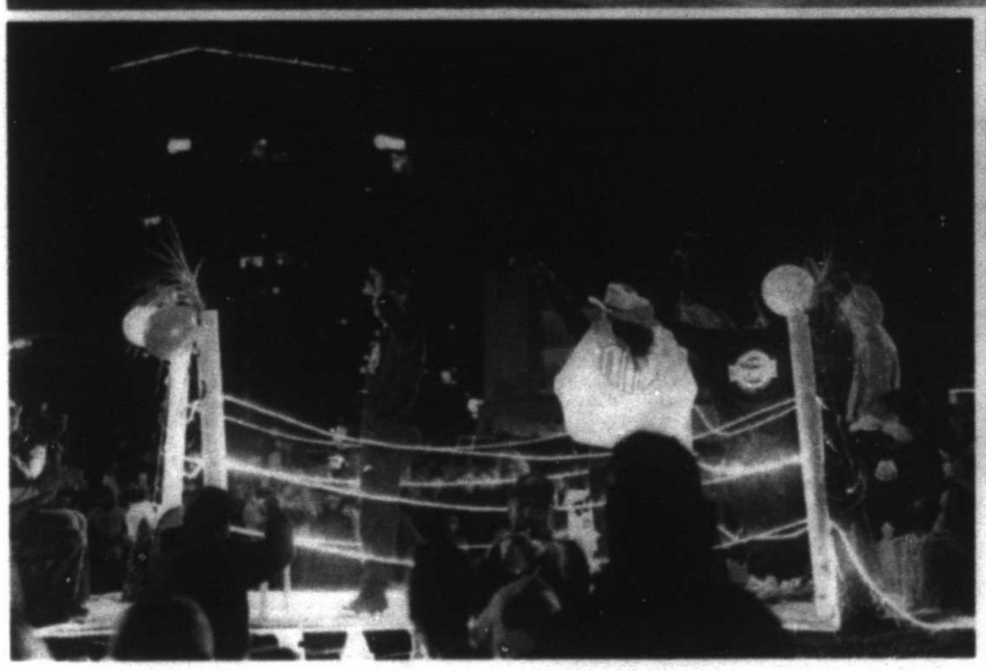
Tactical Family Membership
Primary user, secondary user, 2 kids under 21 years old
Tactical 25-yard bay access
100-yard bay access
Ability to reserve your lane online
Eye and ear protection provided
Basic standard targets provided
One specialty target/day provided
25 guest passes/year
$10 for each additional guest
Two complimentary FFL transfers/year
5 percent retail discount
10 percent training/event discount
One-time registration fee: $1,000
Monthly membership fee: $200
(discounted rate for paying one year up front: $2,000)

VIP Membership
Primary user, secondary user, 2 kids under 21 years old
Private tactical 25-yard bay access
100-yard bay access
Ability to reserve your lane online
Eye and ear protection provided
Basic standard targets provided
Specialty targets provided
25 guest passes/year
$10 for each additional guest
Two complimentary FFL transfers/year
10 percent retail discount
15 percent training/event discount
Free basic rentals
Free basic machine gun rentals
15 percent private event discount
VIP lounge access with concierge
Conference room access
Snacks and drinks
One-time registration fee: $3,000
Monthly membership fee: $250
(discounted rate for paying one year up front: $2,750)

VIP Corporate Membership
Four members
Private tactical 25-yard bay access
100-yard bay access
Ability to reserve your lane online
Eye and ear protection provided
Basic standard targets provided
Specialty targets provided
100 guest passes/year
$10 for each additional guest
Two complimentary FFL transfers/year
10 percent retail discount
15 percent training/event discount
Free basic rentals
Free basic machine gun rentals
15 percent private event discount
VIP lounge access with concierge
Conference room access
Snacks and drinks
One-time registration fee: $6,000
Monthly membership fee: $400
(discounted rate for paying one year up front: $4,400)

Small Business Membership
Four members
Tactical 25-yard bay access
100-yard bay access
Ability to reserve your lane online
Eye and ear protection provided
Basic standard targets provided
One specialty target/day provided
100 guest passes/year
$10 for each additional guest
Two complimentary FFL transfers/year







Midlanders gathered along "A" Street for the annual Christmas parade, which was held Saturday.

SpaceCom panelists ponder regulatory future of private space

By Andrea Rumbaugh
Houston Chronicle

Dec. 05—Boundary-pushing companies seeking to mine asteroids or build moon bases could face a stubbornly terrestrial challenge: getting regulatory approval for activities that are more common in science fiction than traditional business plans.

By international treaty, the federal government is responsible for regulating private U.S. commercial activity in space. But while specific agencies oversee launches, satellite operations and the collection of data through remote sensing from Earth's orbit, it is unclear who has jurisdiction over other endeavors.

"What we're starting to see now is a lot of companies coming up with new ideas ... moon bases, asteroid mining, lots of exciting ideas," George Nield, associate administrator for commercial space transportation at the Federal Aviation Administration, said Tuesday. "But the question then becomes: Who in government is responsible to authorize and continuously supervise those kind of activities?"

In a panel discussion during the third annual Space Commerce Conference and Exposition, Nield said the FAA has volunteered to regulate these new endeavors but has not yet been given authority. He said he worries a U.S. failure to clarify its process could encourage domestic innovators in the burgeoning private space sector to move to countries with less regulatory uncertainty.

"We want to be able to say 'Yes' to these companies rather than, 'Gee, I'm sorry. I don't know who is supposed to look at that, but we're not able to help you,'" Nield said.

The SpaceCom event highlights the intersecting technologies of the aerospace, energy, medical, maritime, advanced manufacturing and agribusiness sectors. It's expected to draw more than 2,000 to the George R. Brown Convention Center downtown though Thursday.

Attendance should be slightly higher than last year, which pleased SpaceCom's executive director, James Causey, considering the impact of recent hurricanes on two large space markets: Texas and Florida. He added that sponsorship dollars are up significantly, and this year's event has 118 exhibiting or sponsoring companies.

NASA's acting administrator, Robert M. Lightfoot Jr., praised the evolution in commercial space.

"It's kind of a watershed time as our commercial partners and commercial space in general come of age," he said.

Lightfoot also praised the commercial sector for launching rockets on U.S. soil and for its prolific use of cube satellites. He also highlighted its partnership with NASA to one day get crews to the International Space Station through the Commercial Crew Program and focusing on deep space exploration through the Next Space Technologies for Exploration Partnerships, or NextSTEP.

"I look at our annual budget, and I see the diversity of activities and aspirations at a gathering like this," he said. "... It's clear that we have to look at our work beyond the traditional ways of doing things. This very much is an 'and' not an 'or.' It can't be NASA or industry. It can't be big companies or small companies. It's got to be both."

Government expenditures made up less than a quarter of a global space economy that was approaching $350 billion in 2016, said Carissa Christensen, CEO of Bryce Space and Technology. She said satellite services, including direct-to-home TV, Wi-Fi on planes and navigation products accounted for much of that.

Meanwhile, investment in startup space companies has been growing, approaching $3 billion each year for the past few years.

"It's unprecedented venture investment," Christensen said. "It's not coming from major institutions and banks and giant corporations. It's coming from investors that fund more entrepreneurial businesses."

She said 2015 and 2016 saw several mega-deals, including a $1 billion investment by Google and Fidelity Investments in SpaceX. Roughly the same amount of money was invested both years, although there weren't as many deals in 2016. That could mean investors are putting more money into new ventures or putting additional money into maturing ones. Mega-deals haven't been as prominent this year, she said, but venture capital investment has been consistent.

Christensen cited three reasons for the uptick in venture capital. The first is cost. Small electronics developed for smartphones and computers have made it more affordable to create small satellites. Venture capitalists are willing to invest tens or hundreds of millions of dollars rather than the several billion that historically was required.

The second reason is the potential for massive financial returns. New insights can be sold to businesses and consumers when global satellite imagery is combined with advanced computing power and data analytic tools, such as machine learning.

Finally, Christensen said, investors are encouraged that billionaires and business superstars, like Amazon and Blue Origin's Jeff Bezos or Tesla and SpaceX's Elon Musk, are investing their time and money in space ventures.

Moving forward, she said, companies will need to start showing profits — or be acquired for huge amounts — to show the industry is sustainable.

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Woman pleads guilty to stealing more than $1.5 million

From staff reports

A Midland woman pleaded guilty Friday in federal court to stealing more than $1.5 million from her employer.

The United States Attorney's Office reported that 47-year-old bookkeeper Mary Elisa "Lisa" Salazar pleaded guilty to stealing from her employer, an oil-well leasing company in Midland. Joining in the announcement were U.S. Attorney Richard L. Durbin Jr.; Troy Caldron, Internal Revenue Service-Criminal Investigation acting special agent in charge; and Emmerson Buie Jr., Federal Bureau of Investigation special agent in charge, El Paso Division.

The charges were wire fraud and making and filing a false income tax return, according to the report.

By pleading guilty, Salazar admitted that from 2011 to 2016, she embezzled funds from the business by writing unauthorized company checks to herself. She further admitted to concealing her actions by either falsifying bank reconciliation statements or omitting the checks in the internal accounting system, according to the U.S. Attorney's Office. The estimated loss to the company because of her illegal scheme is $1,588,518.

Salazar also admitted to filing false income tax returns for calendar years 2011 to 2016 in which she substantially understated her total income, adjusted gross income and taxable income. According to court records, Salazar owes the Internal Revenue Service an estimated $540,000 in unpaid taxes because of her underreporting.

Salazar remains on bond, pending sentencing. No sentencing date has been scheduled. Salazar faces up to 20 years in federal prison for the wire fraud charge and up to three years in federal prison for the tax charge, according to the report.

Crime Stoppers fugitive

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Crime of the week

Midland Crime Stoppers and the Midland Police Department need your help in identifying four suspects involved in a burglary.

On Nov. 29 around 3:45 a.m., four subjects broke into the concession stands at Security Bank Ballpark. The suspects were not able to steal anything, but they did cause significant amount of damage. The four suspects appear to be in their teens. We need your help identifying them.

If you have information on the suspects and it leads to an arrest, it will be worth a $1,000 cash reward. Call Midland Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS or 1-800-7LOCKUP or download the mobile app 'P3 TIPS'. No caller ID is ever used and you will remain anonymous.

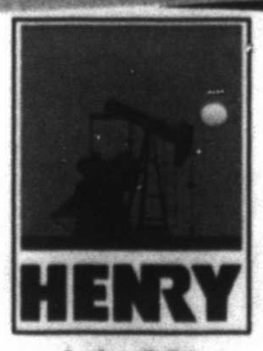
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Luke 6:31

Do to others as you would have them do to you.



Mary Altaffer/Associated Press

Demonstrators rally in support of net neutrality outside a Verizon store on Thursday in New York. The FCC is set to vote Dec. 14 whether to scrap Obama-era rules around open internet access that prevent phone and cable companies from favoring certain websites and apps.

Net neutrality fans speak up as FCC set to strike down rules

By Tali Arbel
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Net neutrality is a simple concept but a dense and often technical issue normally discussed in tech and telecom circles. Now it's hit the mainstream.

Next week, the Federal Communications Commission plans to vote on gutting Obama-era rules meant to stop broadband companies such as Comcast, AT&T and Verizon from exercising more control over what people watch and see on the internet.

Celebrity complaints and street protests aren't likely to stop the agency's vote on Thursday, but activists hope the growing outcry will push Congress to intervene and will show support for stricter regulation down the road.

Net neutrality has been a hot button before, thanks to assists from Silicon Valley and TV host John Oliver speaking out about what they see as threats to the internet. More Hollywood celebrities have been joining the cry against the agency's direction.

"Long live cute dog videos on YouTube! #RIP-internet. Share what you loved about The Internet," actor Mark Ruffalo tweeted as he urged people to push Congress to intervene. Big-time Hollywood producer Shonda Rhimes tweeted a link to a story about saving net-neutrality on her lifestyle website .

Net-neutrality rules bar cable and phone companies from favoring certain websites and apps — such as their own services — and give the FCC more oversight over privacy and the activities of telecom companies. Supporters worry that repealing them would hurt startups and other companies that couldn't afford to pay a broadband company for faster access to customers.

Critics of the rules say that they hurt investment in internet infrastructure and represent too much government involvement in business. Phone and cable companies say the rules aren't necessary because they already support an open internet, and have lobbied hard for their repeal.

While libertarian and conservative think tanks and telecom trade groups have spoken up against net neutrality, everyday people have been vocal in protesting the rules' repeal.

Since the FCC announced just before Thanksgiving that it was planning to gut the rules, there have been about 750,000 calls to Congress made through Battle for the Net, a website run by groups that advocate for net neutrality. By contrast, there were fewer than 30,000 calls in the first two weeks of November. While Congress doesn't need to approve FCC decisions, it can overrule the agency by passing a law.

Net neutrality also has triggered discussions all over social media, even in groups that typically don't discuss tech policy. In one Facebook group about leggings seller LuLaRoe, one woman's lament about the repeal triggered more than 270 responses. They included questions about what net neutrality was, links to explanations and statements of support. The discussion sprawled into the next day.

Meanwhile, net-neutrality supporters protested outside 700 Verizon stores Thursday, said Tim Karr, senior director of strategy for Free Press, an advocacy group involved in Battle for the Net. In midtown Manhattan, some 350 people came to chant slogans and wave signs.

"Access to a free and fair internet is necessary for a functioning democracy," said Lauren Gruber, a writer for a branding agency who joined the New York protest. If the net-neutrality rules are repealed, she said, "it's just another showcase of oligarchy upon America."

Most people don't follow what federal agencies like the FCC are doing, even though decisions can have a lot of impact on people's lives, said Beth Leech, political science professor at Rutgers University. Having celebrities speak out can help spark people's interest, she said.

"Protests that draw average people out into the streets across the country are relatively rare," she said. "It's the rarity that gives them some of their power."

The liberal organization MoveOn is urging Americans to speak up for net neutrality. Democratic senators have called for a delay in next Thursday's vote, while Democratic FCC Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel urged backers to "make a ruckus." Some Democrats are hoping that any rollback of net neutrality rules will become a campaign rallying cry in 2018 and beyond.

"Net neutrality has the potential to motivate young and progressive voters to turn out," said Tyler Law, spokesman for the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, which works to get Democrats elected to the House.

"There will be a political price to pay for those who are on the wrong side of this issue, because net neutrality's time as a campaign issue has arrived," Sen. Ed Markey, D-Mass., a longtime net neutrality supporter, said on a call with reporters Wednesday.

Republican campaign officials didn't immediately respond to requests for comment.

The FCC's commenting system has logged 23 million comments, compared with roughly 4 million for the last blockbuster issue — when the agency approved the net-neutrality rules in 2015. An August study by a data firm backed by the telecom industry found that 60 percent of the comments made this year supported keeping the 2015 rules.

But the commenting system has been messy. The FCC says millions of comments used temporary email accounts from fakemailgenerator.com, hundreds of thousands of comments came from one address in Russia and many comments were duplicates.

Some net-neutrality supporters have become intensely personal in their advocacy. FCC Chairman Ajit Pai and his staff have called out ugly and racist tweets and death threats. Pai also said activists came to his home to post signs that referenced his children. One man was charged in November with threatening to kill U.S. Rep. John Katko and his family if the New York Republican didn't support net neutrality.



STATE&REGIONBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

TEA: School Report Cards now available

Texas Commissioner of Education Mike Morath announced Thursday that the 2016–17 School Report Cards are available on the Texas Education Agency website.

Designed to inform parents and guardians about a school's characteristics and achievements, the School Report Card combines parts of other recently released accountability reports to provide a variety of campus-level information concerning student and campus performance.

The School Report Card includes the following information for each campus in Texas:

2017 state academic accountability rating.Campus Distinction Designations. Attendance rates.Enrollment figures.Dropout rates.Class-size averages.State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness (STAAR) results. ACT/SAT results.Per-student financial expenditures.

These campus reports, required by the Texas Legislature and prepared by the Texas Education Agency, will be sent to the parent or guardian of every child enrolled in a Texas public school by local school districts.

Odessa American staff reports

ODESSA

Food Bank greenhouses providing food this winter

Temperatures may be dropping outside, but inside West Texas Food Bank greenhouses it is nice and warm, according to a WTFB news release.

The greenhouses are designed to host classes so the community can learn how to grow their own food. They also provide Nutrition Education Specialist Sonia Olivas with fresh produce for her SNAP Ed classes, the release said.

"As we roll into December, I am thrilled to say the veggies are growing well, and a group of greens were harvested for Sonia Olivas to use in her education demonstrations. Cilantro, red leaf lettuce, arugula, Swiss chard, radishes, mustard greens, kale and baby spinach were all harvested this week. The onions and ginger are growing well," WTFB gardener Joan Stewart said in the release.

Stewart recently joined the West Texas Food Bank staff to tend to the greenhouses and raised planter beds at the food bank's Midland facility.

Plans are in place for planting seed starts for the spring veggies, which will eventually be transplanted to the outside planters, the release said. The selected spring veggies and fruits were chosen by Olivas.

The release said they invite the community to tour the gardens and greenhouses, located at the West Texas Food Bank Midland Education and Volunteer Center, 1601 Westcliff Dr., Midland. Facilities are open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

West Texas Food Bank: wtxfoodbank.org

Odessa American staff reports

HOUSTON

Person of interest sought in triple slaying

Authorities say three people have been found dead following a shooting inside a Houston home.

News outlets report that 35-year-old Jeffery Noble has been named as a person of interest in connection with the Friday afternoon slayings.

Harris County sheriff's deputies say Noble was seen leaving the scene in a red 1998 Acura. A woman was able to escape the home and told a neighbor to call 911.

HOUSTON

Texas man accused of killing girlfriend, leaving baby alone

A Houston man remains jailed after being accused by authorities of fatally shooting his girlfriend and leaving their infant daughter alone in their home after the slaying.

During a court hearing Saturday, a judge ordered that Jasper Davis be jailed under a $100,000 bond on a murder charge.

Authorities say Davis and his 24-year-old girlfriend, Jennifer Nicole Mamo, got into an argument early Friday morning after having gone out to a bar.

Investigators say the 29-year-old Davis claims Mamo grabbed a gun during their argument and she was accidentally shot during the scuffle.

Authorities say Davis then dumped her body in a creek north of Houston, leaving their 7-month-old baby alone at home while doing this. The infant was not injured.

Court records didn't list an attorney for Davis.

EL PASO

Texas student takes to school gun reported stolen in 2012

Authorities in West Texas say an elementary school student took a gun to his campus that had been reported stolen in New Mexico in 2012.

The El Paso Times reports an investigation by police determined the gun and ammunition were found by the student, who took it to his campus on Thursday.

Staff at the school learned of the .45-caliber handgun and called police.

Ysieta school district officials in El Paso say the student, whose name was not released, has been disciplined.

DALLAS

Texas man sentenced for illegally making guns sent to Mexico

A North Texas man has been sentenced to 6½ years in federal prison for illegally making hundreds of firearms — some of which ended up in Mexico.

Gary Busby was sentenced Friday during a federal court hearing in Dallas.

He had been convicted in March on one count of conspiracy to manufacture firearms without a license and four counts of structuring financial transactions to evade reporting requirements.

Prosecutors say that between 2010 and 2011, the 65-year-old Busby — from Flower Mound near Dallas — manufactured hundreds of AR-15 and AK firearm receivers into fully functional firearms.

Authorities say they found about 50 of these weapons — some recovered while being smuggled into Mexico and the rest recovered by Mexican authorities.

NORTH RICHLAND HILLS

Police believe deaths of father, 2 kids was murder-suicide

Authorities in North Texas are investigating the shooting deaths of a man and his two small children as an apparent murder-suicide.

Police in North Richland Hills say the shooting took place on Saturday.

The children killed were a 5-year-old girl and a 9-year-old boy.

Investigators say the children's mother, who was home at the time, called 911 after the shooting. She was not injured.

NEW MEXICO

School closed indefinitely after deadly shooting

AZTEC — A northwestern New Mexico high school where a deadly shooting occurred will remain closed until further notice.

Authorities say 21-year-old William Atchison, a former student at Aztec High School, shot and killed two students at random Thursday before killing himself.

School district Superintendent Kirk Carpenter says counseling services will be available Monday as Aztec High School staff members meet at another school for a "family gathering" and debriefing.

The Daily Times in Farmington reports that Carpenter declined to comment on damage done to the building but that he said it could be a while before students and staff can return to their classrooms.

Other district schools will remain closed Monday but resume classes Tuesday.

NEW MEXICO

Lobbyist: former lawmaker offered vote in exchange for sex

SANTA FE — A female political lobbyist on Friday accused a former New Mexico state lawmaker of requesting sex in exchange for support of a bill during a legislative session in 2009.

Lobbyist Vanessa Alarid of Albuquerque recounted meeting with former Rep. Thomas Garcia at a hotel workspace to discuss proposed legislation, and that he offered his support if she would have sex with him.

Contacted Friday, Garcia vigorously denied the allegation, saying he never made a proposition to exchange a vote for anything to anyone.

Alarid's accusations follow a series of complaints by women about sexual misconduct going unchecked at the New Mexico Statehouse — and is the first recent account to call out a lawmaker publicly by name.

Alarid, who was 32 at the time of the incident, said that Garcia also had kissed and groped her before leaving at her insistence. Garcia later voted against the bill in question, which died in a tie vote.

Alarid said that Garcia, after voting, "looked up at me at my spot in the gallery, blew me a kiss, opened his arms and shrugged his shoulders."

She said she decided against filing a complaint Garcia at the time for fear it would jeopardize a career as a lobbyist that hinged on access to other lawmakers.

Garcia, a Democrat and former public school superintendent who left the Legislature in 2012, has been exploring a new run for the state House of Representatives from his home in Las Vegas, New Mexico.

Garcia described Alarid's accusations as a "preemptive strike" designed to damage his reputation and end his political ambitions, and that he is worried that "true victims statements are going to be lost by these false statements that people are making."

"I'm going to be visiting with supporters and family in the coming days to determine if we will pursue this (campaign)," Garcia said.

Democratic House Speaker Brian Egolf said Garcia should not run be running for public office.

"Based on this accusation, which is very credible, I personally believe that he should not be a candidate for public office."

Alarid's decision to denounce Garcia was cheered on by her husband, Democratic state Rep. Antonio Maestas of Albuquerque, in a twitter post.

"So proud of my wife, Vanessa Alarid, for standing up as a leader in the movement to end sexual harassment," he wrote.

Revisions to New Mexico's anti-harassment policy are being drafted, as Statehouses nationwide grapple with allegations of sexual misconduct.

Legal representatives for the Legislature say two formal complaints of sexual harassment have been made since 2013 that involve Statehouse maintenance staff and not lawmakers or lobbyists.

State Sen. Michael Padilla ended his campaign for lieutenant governor this week in response to renewed concerns about decade-old allegations of sexual harassment at a prior job.

NEW MEXICO

Elementary teacher accused of voyeurism

SILVER CITY — Authorities say a teacher from southwestern New Mexico is facing a felony charge of voyeurism over allegations he used his cellphone to take inappropriate photos of students.

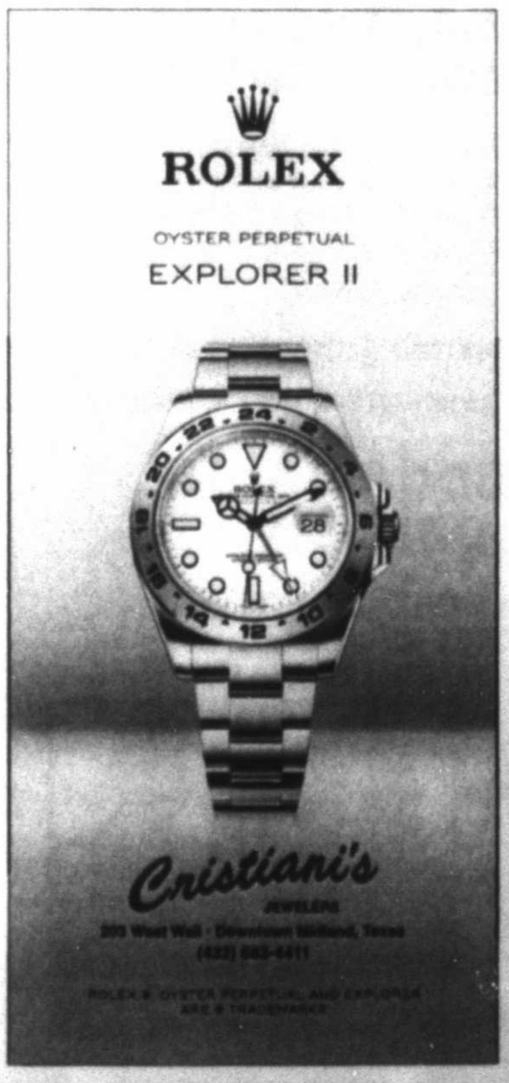
New Mexico State Police say 38-year-old Frank Ramos Arias of Bayard was arrested Friday and booked into the Grant County jail.

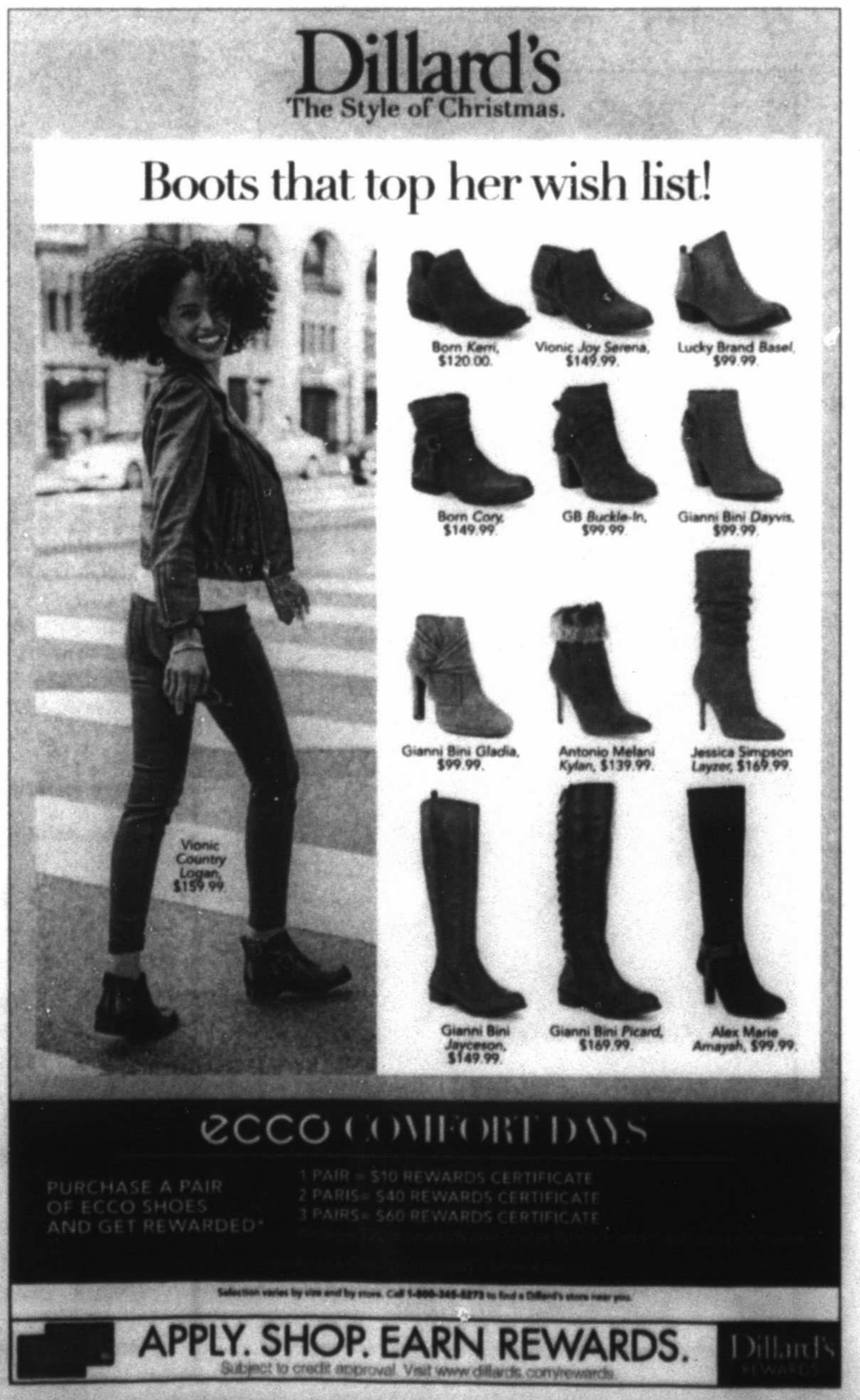
Arias, who teaches at Stout Elementary School in Silver City, denied the allegations in an interview with police. It wasn't immediately clear if he had an attorney.

Police were first notified about the allegations in October. They followed up by conducting interviews with students, and an examination of Arias' phone revealed videos that corroborated victims' statements.

School District Superintendent Audie Brown said the teacher has been placed on administrative leave pending the outcome of the investigation.

Brown also said it's a priority to provide a safe learning environment for students.





Dems mourn Franken's demise but see a 2018 election benefit

By Alan Fram
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Members of both parties are glum and guarded after a shocking week of resignations on Capitol Hill. But Democrats say the way they're handling the sexual misconduct issue will give them a valuable weapon for next year's congressional elections. Republicans say that's just wishful thinking.

No one knows when or where the allegations that have felled lawmakers, journalists and entertainers will end. The ax could well fall again in a Congress where the culture has long tolerated behavior that would trigger departures today.

For now, Democrats want voters to see a very bright line: They forced the liberal rising star Al Franken and civil rights veteran Rep. John Conyers to leave, while Donald Trump remains president and Alabama Republican Roy Moore could well be elected to the Senate next Tuesday.

"Democrats are now in a better position than ever to tie Donald Trump and Roy Moore around the necks of Republicans" running for Congress next year, said Jim Manley, a Democratic operative and former Senate aide.

Republicans are quick to contest that.

They argue that Trump was elected last year despite the election season release of a 2005 tape in which he described sexually offensive behavior, followed by accusations by several women of aggressive sexual misconduct. And they suggest Sen. Franken's departure was more politically bearable for Democrats because his home state of Minnesota has a Democratic governor who will appoint the temporary replacement.

"Do you think if Al Franken had a Republican governor they'd be doing this," asked Tom Davis, a GOP consultant and former Virginia congressman who chaired his party's House campaign committee.

While both Trump and Moore have faced and denied allegations, their political fortunes aren't likely to be damaged by the way the Democrats have handled Franken and Conyers.

What's important, Democrats say, is that the contrast heightens their chances of winning over female and suburban voters, pumping up donors and party activists and even recruiting women to run for Congress next year.



Andrew Harnik/Associated Press

Sen. Al Franken, D-Minn., arrives on Capitol Hill in Washington on Thursday morning. Franken resigned from the Senate following a wave of sexual misconduct allegations and a collapse of support from his Democratic colleagues, a swift political fall for a once-rising Democratic star.

"Yes, we may lose some people that we liked quite a bit along the way," said Brian Fallon, senior adviser to the liberal group Priorities USA. He added, "In the long term, the party is better off doing right by women."

Moore has been accused of initiating sexual contact with teenage girls and pursuing dates with others when he was in his thirties during the 1970s. He has denied wrongdoing.

Trump — who backs Moore — planned a Friday evening political rally in Pensacola, Florida, about 20 miles from the Alabama state line.

On Thursday, in an extraordinary scene witnessed by teary-eyed colleagues and relatives, Franken told a wake-like Senate he was resigning. Two days earlier, it was the House's longest-serving member, John Conyers of Michigan, who quit. Both succumbed to pressure by leaders and colleagues after initially saying they'd fight to stay.

Republicans were taking action, too. Rep. Trent Franks quit Congress Friday, a day after House Speaker Paul Ryan said he'd told the conservative Arizonan to leave. A former Franks aide told The Associated Press that he repeatedly pushed her to carry his child, at one point offering her $5 million to act as a surrogate mother.

The issue of sexual misconduct is one that few lawmakers are eager to discuss. "I'm not happy to get to it, but I will get to that," House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., said at a press conference Thursday when reporters pressed her on it.

Ryan, R-Wis., struggled Thursday to articulate a standard for forcing a lawmaker to resign over allegations of sexual impropriety.

"It's a really good question," Ryan said. He said accusations must be taken seriously and processed fairly, adding, "I want my daughter to grow up in a country, going into the workplace, where she's empowered and respected, and not fearful for reporting harassment when it occurs against her."

Capitol Hill's culture has long erred on the side of protecting lawmakers. In Washington, alcohol can flow, lawmakers are often separated from their wives, and they wield power over staffs typically composed mostly of ambitious young people. The mix can breed and abide bad behavior.

It took a lengthy investigation and an Ethics Committee expulsion vote to force Oregon Sen. Bob Packwood out for sexual harassment in 1995. More recently, the parties have self-policed.

Alabama Senate race too close to call

Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — A U.S. Senate campaign that was thrust into the national spotlight by allegations of sexual misconduct by one of the candidates is near the finish line.

Here is a look at the race between Republican nominee Roy Moore, who spent the final month of the campaign denying allegations of long-ago misconduct involving teenage girls, and Doug Jones, who is seeking to break the GOP's grip on Alabama and pick up a seat in the Senate for Democrats:

THE POLLS SAY ...

The race is too close to call.

Moore easily defeated Republican Senate appointee Luther Strange in a September runoff election after leading the 10-person field in the primary, and he was on track to win until allegations of sexual misconduct surfaced. Now the race is a tossup.

Polls show Moore and Jones have seesawed for the lead in the final weeks of the campaign, with some showing Moore ahead and others showing Jones in the lead. The race will be decided by which candidate does a better job getting his supporters to actually vote.

WHAT WILL IT TAKE TO WIN?

A plurality of votes, and Republican Roy Moore's path to victory is wider than that of Democratic opponent Doug Jones.

White, evangelical conservatives make up the core of Moore's base and Alabama is full of them — President Donald Trump carried 63 percent of the state last year, and he's still popular with most GOP voters. Moore has to keep those people on his side and get them to the polls without seeing too much erosion among Republicans who simply sit out the election in response to allegations he sexually molested teen girls and tried to date others decades ago.

It's tougher for Jones, who started from behind since Alabama last sent a Democratic senator to Washington a quarter-century ago and has no Democrats in a statewide office.

Jones needs to energize the state's Democratic base, which consists primarily of black voters and white progressives in urban areas, and also peel away some votes that would typically go to a Republican. He tried to do that in the campaign's closing days by planning events with black leaders and staging concerts by two popular Alabama-based musical acts, Jason Isbell and St. Paul and the Broken Bones.

Write-in candidates could be a factor if the race is close. They'll only be counted if the total number of write-in ballots exceeds the difference between the top two candidates.

CANDIDATES' ELECTORAL RECORDS

Doug Jones is making is first run for elective office, but Roy Moore has mixed results in statewide elections.

Alabama voters twice have elected Moore to the Alabama Supreme Court, where he won the office of chief justice in 2000 and 2012. He didn't finish either term after being convicted of violating judicial ethics first for refusing a federal court order to remove a Ten Commandments monument from the state judicial building and again for an order he issued against same-sex marriage.

Moore didn't fare as well in two runs for the GOP gubernatorial nomination. Moore lost badly to Gov. Bob Riley in a 2006 campaign for the Republican nomination, and he finished fourth in a seven-person primary race in 2010.



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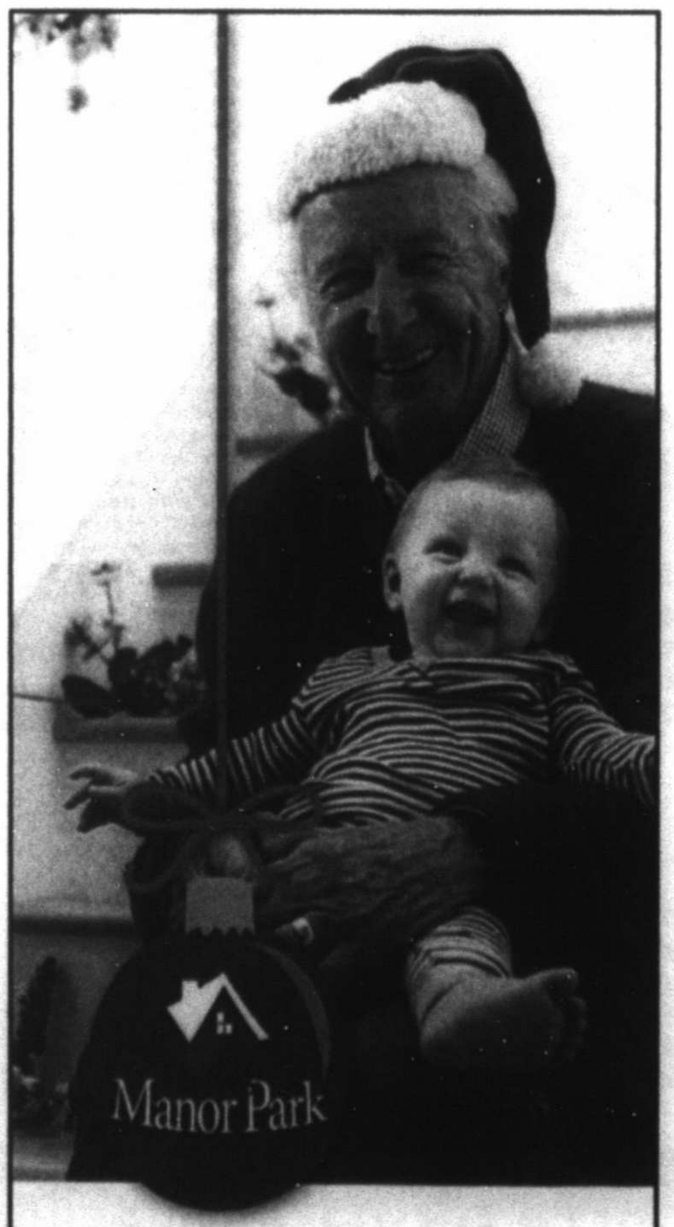
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EYE ON DEVELOPMENT

MOTRAN thanks MDC, celebrates the leveraging of local funds to make more projects a reality

By Trevor Hawes
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On Wednesday, the Midland-Odessa Transportation Alliance held its annual meeting and marked its 20th year in the process.

While MOTRAN has achieved a lot over the past two decades — including the four-lane conversions of state highways 349 and 158 — the past 18 months has laid the foundation for perhaps the most remarkable achievement.

"Back when J.D. Faircloth was chairman, he said one of the things we need to do is figure out how we can put additional local dollars into projects," MOTRAN President James Beauchamp said during his presentation. "We took that to heart, and it took us to put that all together. We had a lot of discussions, and it took a lot of work to get people on board."

MOTRAN has been focused on leveraging funds to accelerate transportation projects and to get more money for the often-overlooked Permian Basin.

"From 2017 to 2026 in the Texas Department of Transportation Unified Transportation Plan, our area was scheduled to get about $173 million," Beauchamp said. "That sounds like a lot of money, and some of you might say that with $173 million, why can't we address all of the problems here.

"To put that $173 million in perspective, most of our overpasses out here cost about $20 million. That really only gets you about 8.6 overpasses over a 10-year period — less than an overpass a year, and that becomes the challenge."

This is especially so considering the population influx into the Permian Basin over the course of this decade, credited in large part to the booming oil industry, which itself takes a heavy toll on roadways.

"Our population from 2010 to 2015 grew by about 50,000 people, and it's on track to do that again by the end of this decade," Beauchamp said. "When you're adding 50,000 to 100,000 people over a 10-year period and you're building a little less than one overpass a year, you never really get caught up — and that's the problem."

MOTRAN approached the Midland Development Corp., the type-A, quarter-cent sales tax-funded organization whose mission is to grow the Tall City's economy, among other goals. Beauchamp credits MDC Chairman Brent Hilliard and Vice Chairman Keith Stretcher as buying into the plan to leverage funds.

The MDC has committed $15 million over 10 years toward transportation projects. The Odessa Development Corp. has also committed to offer $15 million over the next decade. Not all of the money has been programmed yet, "but so far, over the course of the first year, that $30 million has bought us $150 million in additional funding from the state of Texas," Beauchamp said.

Put into perspective what once was 8.6 overpasses over the next 10 years has become just over 16.



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Southbound traffic on Loop 250 near the intersection of Interstate 20 backs up during rush hour as viewed from the third floor of the Suburban Extended Stay Hotel on June 1 on Antelope Trail.

MOTRAN Timeline

The Midland-Odessa Transportation Alliance has worked to improve infrastructure in the Permian Basin for 20 years. Here is a timeline of achievements, provided by MOTRAN.

1993: TxDOT studies extension of I-27 to I-20 and I-10, and community and business leaders in the Permian Basin unite to promote a Permian Basin route.
1997: MOTRAN is officially created as a 501(c)6 nonprofit, and the La Entrada al Pacifico corridor is designated by the Texas Legislature.
2003: MOTRAN transition from a volunteer organization to hire a full-time staff member. Construction is completed on the road from Chihuahua, Mexico, to Ojinaga, Mexico.
2005: La Entrada al Pacifico receives federal designation as a National High Priority Corridor.
2007: Port of Topolobampo improvements begin in Mexico.
2009: SH 359/Craddick Highway reliever route completed.
2010: MOTRAN launches Fix349.com.
2011: SH 349 expansion to four lanes between Midland and Lamesa is approved.
2012: SH 158 is approved for expansion to four lanes.
2013: $58 million in Energy Impacted funding is awarded.
2014: $150 million in additional energy sector road funding for the Permian Basin.
2015: Completion of Aldama bypass, and Gov. Greg Abbott appoints Tryon Lewis from Odessa as chairman of the Texas Transportation Commission.
2016: TxDOT approves expansion of the Presidio International Bridge and expansion of US 385 between Crane and McCamey.
2017: MOTRAN kicks off effort to bring I-14 to Midland-Odessa.

City enjoys sales tax surge

From staff reports

Is sales tax revenue back to record levels? Almost.

The city's sales tax collection for December came within $100,000 of matching a record for any December in Midland history.

The total amount of revenue received was $3.688 million, which was a 32.56 percent increase (or $906,031) from December 2016.

The amount also continues a strong fiscal year. Year to date, sales tax revenue for FY 2017-18 is up 34.92 percent (or $2.932 million) compared to last year's totals at this time.

Fiscal year-to-date sales tax revenue is $11.33 million.

That is also only second to the first quarter of fiscal year 2015 ($12.09 million collected).

Also, based on the sales tax, the amount collected by the Midland Development Corp. in December was $922,205. Already this fiscal year, the Midland Development Corp. has collected $2.8325 million.

Sales tax revenue is generated by sales tax income from two months prior to collection; December collection is based on October sales.

SALES TAX 101

DECEMBER 2017
COLLECTION: $3,688,821

DECEMBER 2016 COLLECTION: $2,782,790
DECEMBER 2015 COLLECTION: $2,797,752
DECEMBER 2014 COLLECTION: $3,768,959

FIRST QUARTER OF FISCAL YEAR COLLECTIONS

FY 2018: $11,330,192

FY 2017: $8,397,850
FY 2016: $9,486,269
FY 2015: $12,090,631
FY 2014: $10,090,631

RECENT INCREASES

DECEMBER: 32.56 PERCENT

NOVEMBER: 41.71 PERCENT
SEPTEMBER: 40.91 PERCENT
AUGUST: 27.82 PERCENT
JULY: 27.51 PERCENT
JUNE: 16.55 PERCENT

Gas prices in Midland

(as of Friday)

CHEAPEST: $2.28 (SAM'S CLUB, TRADEWINDS/SH 191)

CHEAPEST: (non-membership store) $2.34 (MURPHY USA, MIDLAND DRIVE/BRIARWOOD)

MOST COMMON PRICE: $2.55

MOST EXPENSIVE: $2.59 (TEXACO, BIG SPRING/DORMAND)

CHEAPEST IN WEST TEXAS: SAN ANGELO $2.01, LUBBOCK $2.15, ABILENE $2.18, MIDLAND $2.28, ODESSA $2.32

	Midland-Odessa	Texas
Friday	$2.499	$2.208
Last week	$2.500	$2.257
Last month	$2.471	$2.288
Last year	$1.999	$1.988

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

AAA: Midland prices are highest in Texas

COPPELL — AAA Texas reports Midlanders face the state's highest retail gasoline prices.

Association officials report the $2.52 average per-gallon price is 28 cents more than the state average ($2.24) and 4 cents more than the national average ($2.48).

Source: Associated Press

Building permits November 27-December 1

2217 E. Interstate 20	Commercial-Accessory Building
12318 Highway 191	New Commercial
600 E. Wall St.	New Commercial
501 Tradewinds Blvd.	Commercial Alteration
501 Tradewinds Blvd.	Commercial Alteration
1008 S. Big Spring St.	Commercial Alteration
1800 Heritage Blvd.	Commercial Alteration
2303 N. Midkiff Road	Commercial Alteration
1900 Pagewood Drive	Swimming Pool
5415 Seattle Slew Trail	New Residence
5300 Teakwood Trace	Residential Alteration
601 Spraberry Drive	Residential Addition
5011 Candle Tree Cove	Residential Alteration
1109 Johnston St.	Residence-Detached
1005 Sinclair Ave.	Residential Alteration
251 Bayberry Parkway	Residential Alteration
1212 Cedar Creek Road	New Residence
1214 Cedar Creek Road	New Residence
708 S. Terrell St.	Residential Alteration
4709 Elmo Drive	Residential Addition
1613 N. Lamesa Road	Residential Addition
2500 W. Cuthbert Ave.	Residential Addition
4808 Sunshine Parkway	Residence-Detached
3209 Roe Drive	Residential Addition
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Despite risks on the horizon, US economy should continue to expand

THE ECONOMIST

M. RayPerryman



The U.S. economy has been performing well, setting the stage for future growth. Much of the slack in the labor market has been eliminated. Total nonfarm payroll employment rose by 261,000 in October, and the unemployment rate is down to 4.1 percent, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS). The number of unemployed persons was 6.5 million, down 1.1 million since January. About 1.6 million of the unemployed had been jobless for 27 weeks or more.

However, there remains room for additional strengthening. The number of persons employed part time for economic reasons (individuals who would have preferred full-time employment, but were working part time because their hours had been cut back or because they were unable to find full-time jobs) declined by 369,000, but is still fairly high at 4.8 million (as of in October). In addition, 1.5 million persons were marginally attached to the labor force, meaning that they wanted and were available for work and had looked for a job sometime in the prior 12 months, but were not counted as unemployed because they had not searched for work in the four weeks preceding the survey. The labor force participation rate also remains low by historical standards at 62.7 percent.

The Federal Reserve (Fed) continues to normalize monetary policy, and has begun the process of reducing assets purchased during the global financial crisis and later quantitative easing (QE) to help the US economy recover from the "Great Recession." If left in place too long, extremely low interest rates and accommodative monetary policy would lead to inflation and other threats to the economy.

Reducing the balance sheet will test the economy and financial system. When the Fed stops reinvesting in securities, liquidity is reduced. It is a necessary step, because the Fed has several trillion more in assets than it needs on a long-term basis. The goal is to gradually change monetary policy in hopes that the economy continues to expand and hiring is encouraged, since maximum employment is one of the Fed's statutory mandates. However, the other component of the Fed's role is to keep inflation in check, and an overheated economy can cause price escalation. Balancing these two goals will involve careful monitoring of economic data, and future adjustments will be based on evolving conditions. Normalization is essential to long-term growth, and it is a positive sign that the Federal Reserve is working in that direction.

As the U.S. population ages and labor force participation continues to decline, workforce growth may become a constraint in some segments of the economy. In addition, the composition of the workforce will change dramatically over the next several decades. As I have noted in prior columns, Hispanics will become an ever more essential aspect of the U.S. workforce, accounting for most of the growth in the labor force in the future.

On balance, The Perryman Group's forecast for the U.S. economy indicates expansion in real gross product at a 2.84 percent compound annual rate through 2040, with real gross product almost doubling by the end of the forecast horizon. Employment gains at a 1.42 percent annual pace over the period are projected, resulting in the addition of about 58.1 million jobs over the period.

That is not to say that there are not risks on the horizon. Obviously, global tensions are high and could easily escalate to the point that it disrupts business activity. Attention tends to focus on North Korea and several Middle Eastern Countries, but risks are also prevalent in several parts of Central and South America, and the future political alignment of Europe is also in flux. Other uncertainties surround potential cyberattacks of various kinds, which could impact the financial and payments systems, the power grid, logistics networks, and other vital components of the complex web of vulnerable components which drive the modern economy. The elimination of key trade agreements, uneconomic immigration policies and actions could also dampen growth. While pending tax cuts will likely provide a modest stimulus, the hasty manner in which they have been drafted and the fact that they will alter asset values across a broad spectrum could well lead to unintended consequences and instability.

Nevertheless, current economic strength and strong underlying institutions will help to deal with both short-term issues and long-term challenges. While business cycles are inevitable and the current expansion has been with us for a while, the overall pattern for the nation in the coming decades is likely to be expansionary.

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Two questions loom over House, Senate talks on GOP tax bill

By Marcy Gordon
AssociatedPress

WASHINGTON — Two looming questions threaten to snag the seemingly smooth trajectory of the Republicans' massive tax legislation now in its final leg in Congress. How to satisfy demands of the rebellious GOP lawmakers from high-tax states who demand concessions over a cherished deduction? And how to pay for those concessions?

Even President Donald Trump has dropped his stubborn resistance to a smaller cut in the corporate tax rate as Republican leaders consider it as a way to pay for the House GOP rebels' demands.

About two dozen House and Senate lawmakers are in talks to iron out differences between the two bills. The Republicans aim to get a final blended package to Trump by Christmas. They want to chalk up a major legislative achievement to preserve the party's majorities in next year's elections and fulfill a Trump campaign promise.

Democrats, who are in the minority, will take part in the negotiations, too, but their imprint on the tax legislation will continue to be scant.

Both measures would cut taxes by about $1.5 trillion over the next decade while adding billions to the $20 trillion deficit. They combine steep tax cuts for corporations with more modest reductions for most individuals. They would bring the biggest overhaul of the U.S. tax system in 30 years, pushing into every corner of American society. They double the standard deduction used by most Americans to $12,000 for individuals and $24,000 for couples.

But there are significant differences. Behind some of the closed-door negotiations to meld the two bills, there will be rumblings of the rebellion by GOP lawmakers from high-tax states like New York, New Jersey and California that swept through the House this fall. Still, momentum is behind the Republican push through the House-Senate group.

The original tax plan by Republican leaders in Congress and the Trump White House called for eliminating the federal deduction for state and local taxes — a benefit embedded since the Civil War era that's claimed by around 44 million people. The tax plan architects eyed a honey pot of about $1.3 trillion over a decade in revenue lost from the deduction that could be reclaimed to help pay for the tax cuts.

That didn't fly with the Republicans in the House from high-tax states: Some threatened to vote against their party's sacrosanct tax bill. After months of negotiations and cajoling by GOP leaders, they wound up with a compromise in both the House and Senate bills. The state and local deductions for income and sales taxes would be totally repealed, but homeowners would be able to deduct up to $10,000 in local property taxes.

Now that's not enough. The California GOP House members, especially, want to restore the ability to deduct income taxes. Their state's income taxes are high while property taxes are somewhat contained by state law. Negotiations continue. One approach would be to allow taxpayers to deduct up to $10,000 in either income or property taxes, or in a combination of both.

How to pay for it? One of the big targets being looked at is the cut in the tax rate for corporations, a linchpin of the tax plan. It would slide from 35 percent to 20 percent under both bills, but there are quiet talks of letting it go to 21 or 22 percent. That may create new problems ...

If a smaller corporate tax cut is used to pay for fuller state-local deductions, then other lawmakers with claims will clamor for concessions the way the high-tax state members did, some Republicans warn.

"That's a bad idea," says Sen. Pat Roberts, R-Kan., a member of the tax-writing Senate Finance Committee. Slashing the corporate rate to 20 percent "has been sort of the tent pole under the tent" of the tax plan, he said. With others lining up to press their demands, "pretty soon you're up to 25 percent. I realize we may have to do something in order to pass the bill, but I think it's a little dangerous. Once you start, I don't know where you stop."

Hands off, Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., already is warning. Rubio successfully pushed for a doubling of the per-child tax credit to $2,000 in the Senate bill. (It's at $1,600 in the House version.)

"If tax reform conference weakens Child Tax Credit OR reduces corporate cut but (doesn't) make Child Tax Credit refundable for working families, going to be problems," he tweeted Friday.

While the state-local tax conflict continues to dominate the scene, there are other key sticking points between the two bills. As a result, potential targets besides the corporate rate are being considered for compromise.

Key differences include: personal income tax rates, with the House bill shrinking the current seven brackets to four and the Senate measure retaining seven brackets but changing them; the mortgage interest deduction, which is more generous in the Senate bill; the alternative minimum tax, aimed at ensuring that higher-earning people and corporations pay at least some tax; and the tax treatment of the millions of U.S. businesses organized as "pass throughs," whose profits are taxed at the owners' personal income rate.

And only the Senate bill ends the mandate under the "Obamacare" health law requiring the bulk of Americans to buy health insurance or pay a tax penalty. Freeing up a hefty $318 billion in revenue, that repeal is expected to go into the final package.

Through the fall, Trump fiercely insisted that the new corporate rate had to be no higher than 20 percent, to make the U.S. competitive with industrial countries around the world.

Now seeing the urgency of prying out new revenue for the tax legislation, the president showed openness recently to a rate as high as 22 percent.

"It could be 22 when it comes out, but it could also be 20," Trump said. "We'll see what ultimately comes out."

Outlook for Houston economy: Getting better ... slowly

By Collin Eaton
Houston Chronicle

Bustling global trade and a healthy U.S. economy could accelerate Houston's economic recovery next year, but a sluggish comeback in the oil industry could impede the region's job growth, a local economist said on Friday.

If the Energy Department is correct in its projection that crude prices will stay below $55 a barrel in 2018, then the Houston area could add around 45,500 jobs next year, about 15,000 shy of a normal year, as oil companies struggle to make money and expand payrolls, according to a new forecast by the Greater Houston Partnership.

"Maybe about half of the industry is profitable. The other half is losing money," said Patrick Jankowski, the GHP's senior vice president of research, during a presentation in the Galleria area. "We will not see significant hiring again in the oil and gas industry until it's profitable again."

Jankowski said it appears the worst of the oil industry's layoffs are over, but continued job cuts will probably offset any job gains in the oil business next year.

Construction companies will likely shed jobs in 2018 as work slows significantly in commercial real estate and the petrochemical industry. The value of construction work for chemical plants could fall by almost 12 percent next year, according to Sugar Land research firm Industrial Info Resources.

GHP projected job growth for local manufacturing, retail, transportation, financial services, real estate, professional services, health care and several other industries. But the energy industry, it said, won't gain or lose jobs in 2018 -- an improvement over 2015 and 2016, when oil companies shed tens of thousands of jobs.

Still, stagnation in the oil business could be a big drag on the local economy. The oil and gas industry makes up about a third of Houston's economy -- without even factoring in how much money energy workers spend in local stores and restaurants.

But strong economic growth around the world will keep Houston growing. The global economy could expand at a healthy clip of 3 percent next year, according to Oxford Economics.

The city has the nation's top port in foreign tonnage, as well as roughly 450,000 jobs and almost 5,000 local companies that depend on the sales of goods overseas, according to GHP. On average, the region's publicly traded firms get 30 percent of their revenue from international sales.

Almost a fifth of Houston's gross domestic product is tied to exports, Jankowski said. And low oil prices have boosted growth in emerging markets around the world.

America's disappearing mortgage tax break finds few defenders

Bloomberg

One of America's most popular tax breaks is about to be rendered nearly useless. And there are few economists rushing to defend it.

The $64 billion mortgage-interest deduction has long been touted as fuel for U.S. homeownership. Yet as the real estate industry fights the Republican tax plan that's set to diminish its use, finding economic supporters of the perk is tough, even among affordable-housing advocates. John Weicher, a 79-year-old former official with the Department of Housing and Urban Development, says he's one of the few who believes in the break.

"We're about as common in the economics profession as Republicans are in the District of Columbia," said Weicher, now director of the right-leaning Hudson Institute's housing center in Washington, a city where only about 4 percent of voters chose President Donald Trump in last year's election.

While Republican lawmakers aren't directly killing the mortgage benefit, their tax plan would make it worthless for most homeowners by doubling the federal standard deduction, making it less likely that a typical person would itemize write-offs of any kind. Almost 38 million American households who would otherwise itemize would opt for the standard deduction under the new tax plan.



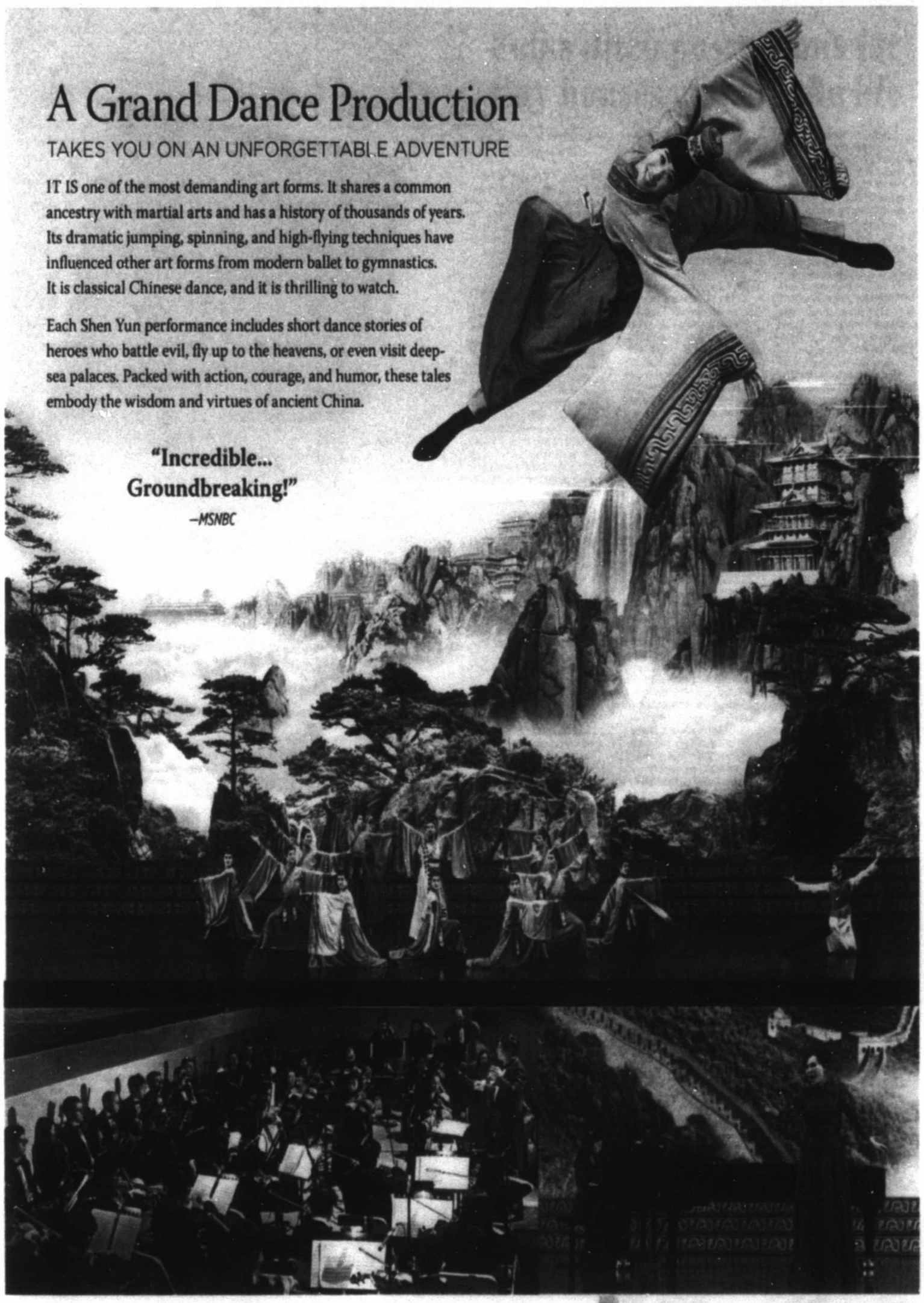
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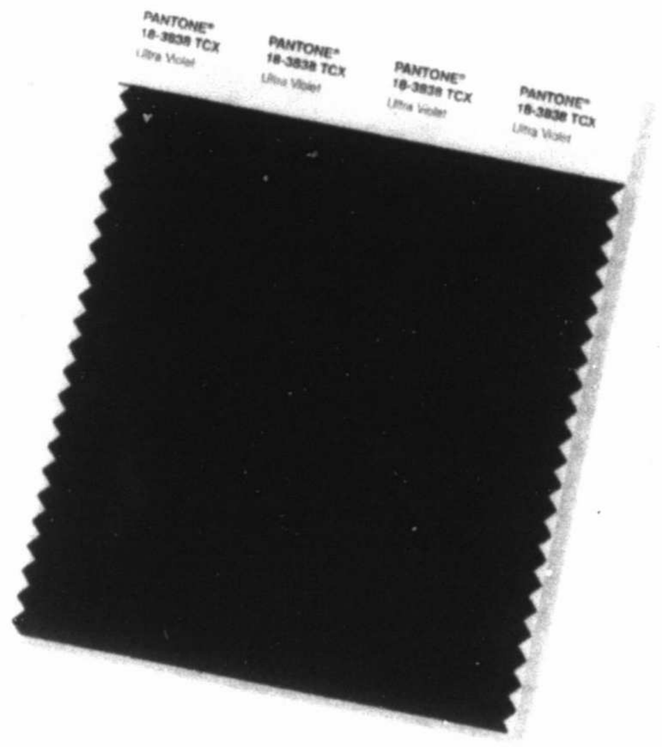
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This image provided by the Pantone Color Institute shows the Pantone Color of the Year for 2018, called "Ultra Violet." The color experts at the Carlstadt, New Jersey-based Pantone say the deep purple shade was chosen to evoke a counterculture flair, a grab for originality, ingenuity and visionary thinking. Ultra Violet follows Pantone's 2017 Color of the Year, "Greenery."

Pantone picks deep purple 'Ultra Violet' as color of year

By Leanne Italie
Associated Press

NEW YORK — What we have here in 2017 is a heap of chaos and disruption. What we need in 2018? The Pantone Color Institute thinks whatever that might be will come in the deep purple hue of "Ultra Violet," its color of the year revealed Thursday.

The color wasn't chosen because it's regal, though it resembles a majestic shade. It was chosen to evoke a counterculture flair, a grab for originality, ingenuity and visionary thinking, Pantone Vice President Laurie Pressman told The Associated Press ahead of the announcement.

"We are living in complex times," she said. "We're seeing the fear of going forward and how people are reacting to that fear."

Pressman wasn't keen on talking politics. The color, she said, playing out in home design, industrial spaces and products, fashion, art and food, reflects the idea of living not inside the box or outside the box but with no box at all. Specifically, she called the color "that complexity, that marriage, between the passionate red violets and the strong indigo purples."

Ultra Violet leans more to blue than red and that, Pressman said, "speaks to thoughtfulness, a mystical quality, a spiritual quality." There's still a passionate heat from enough red undertones, and a touch of periwinkle, but "it's really the cool that prevails."

The 2018 color of the year follows 2017's "Greenery," a grassy fresh, revitalizing shade that reflected new beginnings.

The purple choice, a la Prince and the glam rock of David Bowie — both of whom died in 2016 — speaks to rebellion, finding new ways to interpret our lives and surroundings, Pressman said. It also speaks to the pleasing calm of Provence and its purple flower fields.

"I see this as very much an optimistic color, an empowering color," she said. "We want to find some peace and calm within ourselves. How do we quiet our minds?"

Well, there are meditation and yoga studios, some of which rely on violet light that some believe has a power to heal.

A company in the United Kingdom has come up with a shower head fitted with the same hue of light that turns bathing into purple rain. There's an embrace of purple cauliflower and sweet potato, joining eggplant and purple-colored cocktails.

The color has a history that has shifted over the decades.

It played a role in logos used by the women's suffrage movement of the early 1900s in Britain, lent a flash to flappers in the 1920s and has popped in paintings through history, from the seated woman's dress in "The Pained Heart" of Pre-Raphaelite Arthur Hughes and the work of Gustav Klimt to Bauhaus modernists such as Wassily Kandinsky and on to Keith Haring and Andy Warhol.

Fast forward to Jimi Hendrix and his "Purple Haze," the penultimate song he played in concert on Sept. 6, 1970, days before his death. Grace Jones, Lady Gaga, Kylie Jenner, Beyonce, Katy Perry (remember her purple hair?) and Rihanna have embraced the color, Pressman said.

Richard Wagner surrounded himself with purple when he composed and Leonardo da Vinci wrote that meditation and prayer were "10 times more powerful if done while sitting in the violet light, shining through a stained glass window."

Ultra Violet represented on fashion runways for fall 2016, continuing into this year's collections, including those of Alberta Ferretti and Marni. For spring '18, Kenzo put a model in a bright sleeveless purple dress paired with high black-and-white socks and a yellow handbag.

In beauty, versatile purple is prevalent for eyes, lips and nails. Ultra Violet brings the drama but it's an easy drama, a non-threatening color, on the body and in the home.

"It's a color that can be worn by so many different skin tones," Pressman said.

So who wears it best? Rihanna, Pressman said. Particularly, Rihanna in a 2017 Dior ad with gorgeous violet lips and purple-tinted sunglasses.

"When you think of this color she perfectly sums up the originality, the inventiveness, the forward thinking, the non-conformity," Pressman said. "The exploration, the expression, the do your own thing. She thinks about things differently than anybody else. No boundaries."

Folks ditch possessions for tiny houses and simple life

By Yvonne Gonzalez
Las Vegas Sun

LAS VEGAS — American homes are growing ever bigger, but a separate mindset is causing some to leave their possessions behind and embrace much smaller digs.

Minimalism is a movement away from excess and toward keeping only vital, important items.

Living a minimal life doesn't necessarily mean ditching almost all possessions to live in a 200-square-foot home, but that's exactly what some people are doing. Though it's unclear exactly how many people live in tiny homes or variations of them, states like California have worked to make it easier for people to build these units. Awareness of tiny homes has picked up since the foreclosure-packed recession, with shows such as HGTV's "Tiny House, Big Living" debuting in the years since to give people an inside look at what it's like to live in these small spaces.

Some see these houses as investments on property they already own, putting them in backyards as rentals. As rents rise and cities become more dense, tiny homes are seen as another option for families and a potential solution to living in high-density, high-cost cities like Seattle.

In downtown Las Vegas, what started about three years ago as Zappos CEO Tony Hsieh's experiment of about 30 Airstream trailers and tiny homes has turned into a community that is now called Fergusons Downtown. It includes 15 Airstreams and tiny houses, seven micro-apartment units, a performance stage, pool, media room and shared kitchen, about a dozen dogs, three cats, an alpaca and many other features.

"The vision of this community is just really to create this incredible communal space where everybody lives in more of a tiny living situation but utilizes the community space to collaborate and have fun, and we all take care of each other," said Brad Johnson, who, along with Jen Taler are Hsieh's business partners. "We're really a family."

Taler lives on the lot in an Airstream with her two cats. She said tiny living seemed daunting at first, considering her plentiful clothes and shoes, plus her pets.

"Even though I had an apartment that was a nice size, I was just never home," Taler said. "I liked the challenge of paring down and being more minimal. I still have a lot to shed."

Rigo Cardenas, an e-commerce professional selling items online and working from home, lived in a condo on the Strip before he moved into one of the community's Airstream trailers in 2015. He said he's lived next to these neighbors for almost three years.

"I would say hi to someone at the dog park ... and they're like, 'Who is this weirdo?' They look at you really strange," Cardenas said of his condo complex. "Not just here but throughout the downtown community, everyone's very friendly and has the same mindset with that logic. It spreads from here out to the rest of downtown, and that same type of mindset is what's kept me here."

Cardenas moved with the community to its new location, and says the cooperative atmosphere draws him more than the attempt to live a minimal lifestyle. He said he put most of his possessions into storage when he moved into the Airstream, and realized after a trip to Burning Man that he didn't use or need the items often.

He decided to get rid of the storage unit and what was inside, including his snowboards, and says he regrets getting rid of just a few things.

Cardenas keeps winter clothes and items for Burning Man under his trailer. He uses mason jars to store his dry foods and laundry detergent. He said his living space is about 275 square feet.

"The Airstream has a lot of space, cubbies and stuff, that makes things really useful," he said.

Martyn Hoffmann, CEO at Kasita, a company that builds prefab tiny homes, says the "modern micro home" startup company is eyeing the Reno market. He says housing is tight there, with an alarmingly low vacancy rate and growing populations of employees from companies such as Tesla and Google.

"There is a tremendous need for housing in Reno, and we see that as a market," Hoffmann said.

The vacancy rate for rental units in the Reno and Sparks metro area was just under 1.2 percent in the second quarter of this year, according to a report by real estate appraisers and consultants Johnson Perkins Griffin. A Reno forecast report said the city's apartment vacancy rate was 2.3 percent in the first quarter of 2016. Markets generally reach equilibrium at 5 to 7 percent, the report said.

"Rates below 5 percent indicate demand for new inventory, especially with growing rents," according to Denver-based consulting firm Economic & Planning Systems Inc. "A vacancy rate of 2.3 percent indicates that vacant units are likely just a result of turnover of renters, which means there is essentially no vacancy in the market."

Kasita recently received state licenses to sell its product in Texas, California and Nevada, and its 352-square-foot unit units are rolling off the line now, Hoffmann said. A Kasita recently installed in Austin took six hours to become livable from the time it left the factory. The state-level permitting means building inspectors do not need to inspect the unit.

"The amount of time it's taken us to get through the state-level permitting has been significant," Hoffmann said. "That has caused us to not get to market as fast as we would have liked to, but now the gates are open."

The Texas-based company is also looking to expand to higher-density projects, essentially stacking the units as high as four stories to create complexes of 50 to 60 tiny homes. The company is looking at pursuing this type of project for the downtown Reno core.

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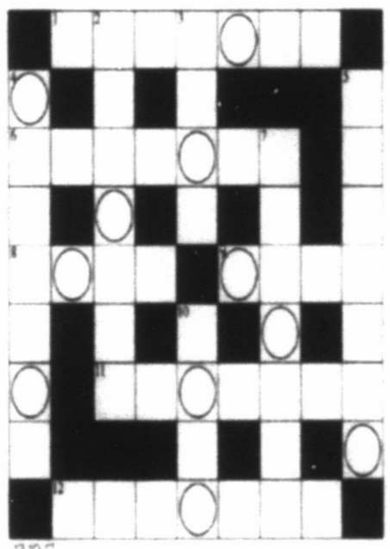
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2. Make clear, give reason for	AIPELNX
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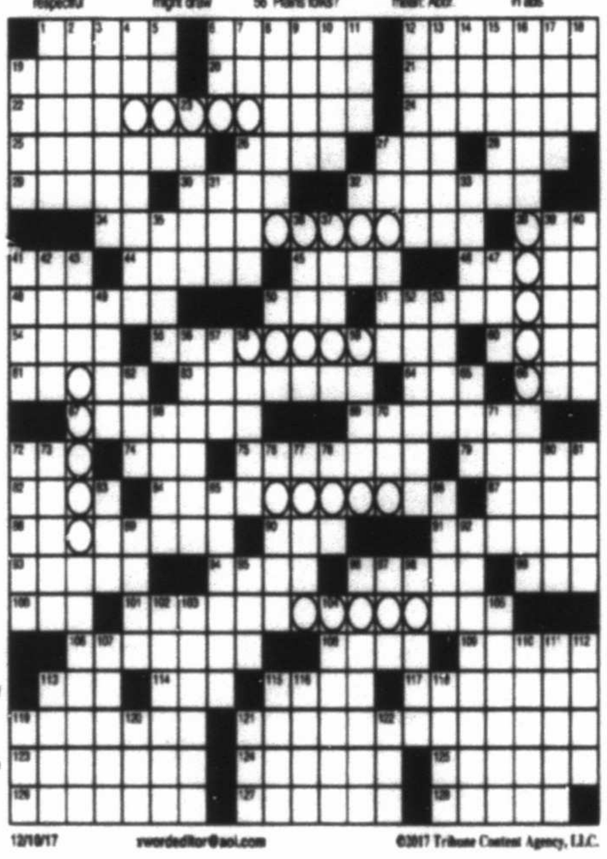
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Why 50-year-olds should be eligible for Medicare



Yet again, the U.S. has come in last in a survey measuring the state of health in developed countries. This latest piece of disheartening news put the spotlight on people over 65, the age when Americans become eligible for Medicare. The survey, produced by the Commonwealth Fund, included more than 23,000 people from 11 developed countries, and revealed that American seniors were sicker than their counterparts in other countries and are more likely to go without needed health care because of costs.

Why should this be? For one thing, Americans are more likely to enter the 65-and-up age group with chronic diseases — heart disease, diabetes, hypertension — which aren't curable but could have been headed off had people gotten better care earlier.

"New beneficiaries are coming into (Medicare) with a whole health trajectory set by the care they got earlier in life," said physician Steven Woolf, director of the Virginia Commonwealth University Center for Society and Health. While he and other health care experts I spoke to favored the common-sense approach of creating a system more like those in the healthiest countries, they conceded that Americans aren't likely to switch to anything that smells of socialized medicine.

Yet, surveys show Americans like Medicare. So at the very least, perhaps Medicare could be adjusted to fit better with the realities of our biology. That would mean pushing the age of eligibility to somewhere around 50.

Just being over 50 is a major risk factor for everything from diabetes to colon cancer to detached retinas. It's as if the warranty on your body expires. This is not just a casual observation. S. Jay Olshansky, a researcher who studies aging at the University of Chicago School of Public Health, said that our worst chronic diseases can be seen as an inevitable result of operating the human body beyond its warranty period.

He pointed out that all animals that engage in sexual reproduction have finite lifespans which are connected to the age of sexual maturity. Mice hit puberty at 30 days and live a mouse-sized lifespan of about 1,000 days. Humans hit puberty at 13 and live around 75 years, and Greenland sharks reach puberty at 150 and can live to be 400. "What I'm talking about is a set of genetically fixed programs for growth, development and reproduction," he said.

Someday perhaps we can engineer ourselves to be more like Greenland sharks, but for now, humans reach the end of our reproductive lives around 50. While men don't technically go through menopause when they reach that age, they are on the same trajectory as women, actually sliding toward death a little faster in most mammals. Evolution has equipped many of us with the ability to coast for a few years after 50 — thus allowing humans to care for any late-arriving offspring. But for the most part, Olshansky said, "You're living on your reserves."

It's not so much that the over-50 body is programmed to die, but that the under-50 body is programmed to survive — with all kinds of mechanisms in place to repair miscopied DNA and otherwise temporarily hold off the unyielding power of entropy. After that, you might live for decades, if you're lucky. There are no guarantees.

Medicine is much better at treating common chronic diseases when the first warning signs appear than later, when people start to suffer debilitating permanent damage from heart attacks or diabetes complications. Olshansky cites regular exercise as a key factor in improving your odds of healthy aging and a long life. And while a doctor can't make people exercise, it can't hurt to get more 50-year-olds into good primary care where they find out about their risks and learn how stay healthy longer.

The Commonwealth Fund survey also revealed another problem: A third of Americans over 65 reported that they either skipped going to the doctor when sick or failed to fill prescriptions because they couldn't afford the copays or deductibles. These are people who are balancing their medical needs with their ability to pay for food, heating and rent, said Robin Osborn, who headed the study.

Being poor hurts people's health in other ways as well. Contrary to the popular notion that the stress associated with power is unhealthy, recent science has shown that it's really the stress of living at the bottom of the socioeconomic ladder that kills. Newer studies have also cast doubt on the conventional wisdom that rich food causes chronic illness. It now looks like the fault lies in cheap food — sugar and starch — that makes up too much of the diets of low-income people.

Is there any good news about the state of American health? VCU's Woolf said that in a 2013 study he headed for the Institute of Medicine, Americans proved sicker than those in other wealthy countries until age 75, after which the U.S. started to come in line with the rest of the developed world. This may reflect a delayed benefit of Medicare, as well as U.S. superiority at high-tech medicine, but he said it also may result from a selective effect: We take such bad care of people up until 75 that by that stage in life, only the healthiest and hardiest remain.

Perhaps that's not so encouraging, but for Americans it should come as good news that we can live longer and stay healthier as we age. Until scientists figure out the secrets of the Greenland shark, we can follow the lead of other developed countries. Medicare at 50 would be a step in the right direction.

Challenges abound for 26-year-olds falling off parental insurance cliff

By Carmen Heredia Rodriguez
Kaiser Health News

Marguerite Moniot felt frustrated and flummoxed, despite the many hours she spent in front of the computer this year reading consumer reviews of health insurance plans offered on the individual market in Virginia. Moniot was preparing to buy a policy of her own, knowing she would age out of her parent's plan when she turned 26 in October.

She asked her parents for help and advice. But they, too, ran into trouble trying to decipher which policy would work best for their daughter. The family had relied on her father's employer-sponsored plan through his work as an architect for years, so no one had spent much time sifting through policies.

"Honestly, my parents were just as confused as I was," said Moniot, a restaurant server in Roanoke.

In defeat, just before Thanksgiving, she went with her mother to meet a certified health insurance navigator, buying a policy that allowed her to keep her current doctors.

A new crop of young people like Moniot are falling off their parents' insurance plans when they turn 26 — the age when the Affordable Care Act stipulates that children must leave family policies.

They were then expected to be able to shop relatively easily for their own insurance on Obamacare marketplaces. But with Trump administration revisions to the law and congressional bills injecting uncertainty into state insurance markets, that task of buying insurance for the first time this year is anything but simple.

The shortened sign-up period, which started Nov. 1, runs through Dec. 15. That window is half as long as last year's, hampering those who wait until the last minute to obtain insurance.

Reminders and help are scarcer than before. The federal government cut marketing and outreach funds by $90 million, and federal funding to groups providing in-person assistance was whacked by 40 percent.

"I think it's definitely going to be difficult. There's just additional barriers with [less] in-person help, just fewer resources going around," said Erin Hemlin, director of training and consumer education for Young Invincibles, an advocacy group for young adults.

Emily Curran, a research fellow at Georgetown University's Health Policy Institute, said those actions combined with the Trump administration's vigorous criticism of the health law could further handicap the uphill battle to entice young people to enroll. As of Dec. 2, more than 3.6 million people had enrolled through the federal marketplace, according to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. The data were not sorted by age.

"There's already a barrier where young adults are having difficulty understanding what the value of insurance is," she said. "Coming out … and saying prices are going up, choice is going down and this law is a mess doesn't really get at the young adult population."

Before the Affordable Care Act, young adults had the highest uninsured rate of any age group.

The ACA made coverage more affordable and accessible. It allowed states to expand Medicaid to cover single, childless adults. Tax credits to help pay for premiums made plans on the individual market more affordable for people whose incomes fell between 100 and 400 percent of the federal poverty level (between $12,060 and $48,240 for an individual).



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VIEWPOINTS

OPEC deal maintains status quo, fails to address key problems



CHRIS TOMLINSON
Houston Chronicle

Saudi Arabia convinced Russia to go along with a nine-month extension of production quotas through the end of 2018, but the pop in crude oil prices will likely be short-lived and offer little relief for nations dependent on oil income.

Nations responsible for about half of the world's oil production agreed last year to hold 2 percent off the market until crude inventories drop to five-year averages. Those cuts have worked, but they have also raised prices, prompting more production from U.S. companies that are not part of the deal.

That's putting oil prices into a tight band, one that OPEC no longer controls, where production cuts keep West Texas Intermediate prices above $50 a barrel, and new U.S. production keeping prices below $60.

"In agreeing to extend current production quotas, OPEC and non-OPEC nations are managing a fine balance, which is likely to maintain prices at current levels in the near term," Chris Midgley, head of analytics at S&P Global Platts, said. "Weak seasonal demand and stock builds will put pressure on prices in the first half of 2018."

The key to keeping prices above $50 is Russia, which in an unprecedented move, joined with OPEC production cuts. But that has hurt Russian oil companies, which are now eager to get out of the deal.

To address the Russian companies' concerns, OPEC agreed to review the deal when it meets again in June 2018. Cartel leaders have also promised to establish a clear plan for unwinding the agreement, which they hope will keep Russia on side.

Saudi Arabia, meanwhile, can proceed with selling off a 5 percent share in the national oil company, Saudi Aramco, knowing that crude prices will remain at current levels. Any oil company's value is tied to the value of its proven reserves, and low prices hurt stock valuations.

Khalid al-Falih, Saudi Arabia's minister of energy and chairman of Saudi Aramco, believes this grand coalition will hold for some time to everyone's benefit.

"I think the oil market's going to be very happy in 2018," he said after the recent meeting. "This new framework is going to be around for some time ... so get used to it."

How long the deal will actually last, and how closely the partners will hew to their quotas, will be fascinating to watch. Because in the end, OPEC, Russia and U.S. producers are competing against each other for market share at a time when demand is growing slowly.

There will be winners and losers because the world simply has more oil production capacity than it needs. And there is a vast difference between what a private company needs to make a profit and

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NEW SHERIFF IN TOWN



AP file photo

Dallas County Sheriff Lupe Valdez speaks July 28, 2016,during the final day of the Democratic National Convention in Philadelphia. Valdez, Texas' first Hispanic female sheriff, announced Wednesday that she will run against Republican Gov. Greg Abbott in 2018.

A non-traditional gubernatorial candidate emerges



KEN HERMAN
Austin American-Statesman

Good morning, class. From the following list, please choose the one you'd least expect the Great State of Texas to be the first state to do. Remember, we're looking for the one you'd least expect Texas to be the first to do:

1. Officially recognize football as a religion.
2. Make it illegal to be poor.
3. Declare education optional.
4. Make football the official religion of the state.
5. Elect a Hispanic, lesbian governor.

Easy, right? But it looks as if we might get a shot at being the first state to knowingly elect a gay governor of any ethnic or gender persuasion.

Before the filing deadline Monday, we're expecting Dallas County Sheriff Lupe Valdez to file and become a (the?) leading Democratic gubernatorial candidate. Her candidacy would invite some interesting firsts and precedents. I'm saving the most surprising for last, so stick around to the end.

Valdez, the nation's only Hispanic female sheriff, would be trying to leap from county official to governor. She'd also be the first Hispanic governor of Texas, the first child of migrant farmworkers elected governor of Texas and the first openly gay person elected governor in the U.S.

That last one needs an asterisk or two.

* In 2004, then-New Jersey Gov. Jim McGreevey's coming out came in a resignation speech after some official unpleasantness involving an unqualified man McGreevey put on the state payroll. Back then, a good joke was that McGreevey was a governor with a man date.

** Oregon Gov. Kate Brown is married to a man and is openly bisexual. She was elevated to governor from secretary of state (Oregon doesn't have a lieutenant governor, and, no, this isn't an invitation for you to say you wish Texas didn't) when then-Gov. John Kitzhaber quit in 2015 during an influence-peddling scandal. Brown later won a 2016 special election.

Other than that, best as we know (though we probably know better), no state has ever had anything other than heterosexuals as governor. Wait, one more asterisk: California had an openly gay governor for eight hours on July 30, 2014, when Assembly Speaker Toni Atkins served as acting governor while real Gov. Jerry Brown and others in the succession line were out of state.

More Ken Herman

More on Valdez and 'Centrist' Andrew White launches bid to return to boyhood home.

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I'm not sure anybody would pick Texas as likely to be the first to back an openly gay gubernatorial candidate. But there was a time when Dallas County didn't seem likely to elect a Hispanic lesbian sheriff. That time has passed. Valdez is in her fourth term.

I've long been amazed at how self-defeatingly dumb it is to rule out candidates of particular groups. Seems like we'd want to cast as broad a net as possible when looking for qualified, intelligent people to help steer this ship. They come in various genders, sexual orientations, ages, colors, ethnicities, talents and physical abilities. Heck, Texans, in picking statewide officials, someday also might find that

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MELANIE NICHOLAS
Columnist

An awkward phone call follows the 'weirdest thing ever' game

I rolled up to the bus stop about two minutes late Monday afternoon. Bodacious was standing at the corner with two classmates. She had a funny look on her face, kind of a cross between a pirate and Bela Lugosi. Her lips were drawn up in a sneer, and one eye was bulging out with a raised brow and the other was squeezed tight like she was taking aim at me. She started flapping her arms and backpack, coming at the car door like she was trying to take flight.

Now, for those of you who know Bodacious, this could be a daily bit of theatrics, or there could be a crisis. Hard to tell which, and I have absolutely no idea where she gets that from, but between you and me, I suspect her father's side of the family.

She launches herself into the car, pouring out a story so fast that all I can make out are the words "weirdest," "penis" and "hiney dancing." Slow down, kiddo, Ima need you to start from the beginning!

"Well, we were playing What's the Weirdest Thing Ever game, and Abram pulled down his pants and underwear and showed me his penis. Then, he and the other boy tuned around and wagged their hineys at me in a dance!"

Well, huh. I was not quite sure what to do or say, so I said, "Well, did you pull down your underwear?"

"No, Mom!!! That's so embarrassing!"

I careened around the cul-de-sac, back to the boys still standing on the corner. I got out of the car to visit with Abram. And y'all. He is the cutest boy in the world, with the biggest eyes you have ever seen. I asked him if I understood the story correctly.

Now, if you have seen the cartoon of "Puss in Boots" where Puss uses his magic, giant cat eyes to hypnotize people, you know what I am up against here. He looks up at me, peeking beneath his bangs, eyes all liquid and shining. He shrugs his little shoulders, lifting his hands in explanation.

"Well, yes. It was the weirdest thing I could think of."

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BBB helps keep Grinch at bay with safe online shopping tips

BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU

The online holiday shopping season had a record breaking start after Cyber Monday sales posted the largest single day of online sales ever in the United States. That's according to software company Adobe. Although you can't beat the convenience of getting all your gifts from the comfort on your home, shopping on your computer comes with its own set of challenges. Whether it is stealing your personal information or stealing your recently-delivered package right from your porch, this time of year gives criminals plenty of opportunities to sour your holiday spirit.

Better Business Bureau handles more than 10,000 complaints each year about Internet shopping. BBB serving the Heart of Texas offers these tips for safe online shopping for the holidays and all year long:

- Check a site's security settings. If the site is secure, its URL (web address) should start with "https://" and include a lock icon on the purchase or shopping cart page.
- Think before your click. Be especially cautious about email solicitations and online ads on social media sites. Many sketchy retailers advertise great deals or trendy clothing that don't measure up to the promotional hype.
- Beware of phishing. Phishing emails can look like a message from a well-known brand, but clicking on unfamiliar links can place you at risk for malware and/or identity theft. One popular scam claims to be from a package-delivery company with links to "tracking information" on an order you

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And because he is right, and because he is so earnest, it is all I can do to not burst into laughter. I explained to him that our private parts are just that — private, for only us, our parents and doctors if our parents are in the room. I told him that we shouldn't show our private parts to anyone else, especially little girls at the bus stop. He said he understood, and I hugged him and kissed him on the head.

When The Hubs came home that evening, I had to tell him. We shared a good laugh and then he dropped the hammer. "What did his mom say?"

Well … I wasn't planning on telling his mom, I explained. Talk about an awkward conversation. Abram is innocent, he meant no harm and I had a nice talk with him. End of story. "You have to tell his parents, Melanie. I would want to know if either of our kids did that, just so we can talk to them about it."

Stupid teachable moments.

If you work in corporate America, chances are you've read "Crucial Conversations" or a book of similar ilk. The premise of these books is simple — we can all learn how to have a productive conversation with someone we work with. You may not always get the desired result in said conversation, but you can learn how to organize your thoughts and be heard. You also learn that not all conflict is bad.

What I need these brilliant management coaches to do is write a second book, "Crucial Conversations with Other Parents." And it should be mandatory reading for all caregivers. Because while not all conflict in the workplace is bad, I promise you, all conflict between parents is, in the very least, uncomfortable. Because any time you have a concern or complaint about another momma's baby, it generally leads to ruffled feathers and hurt feelings.

And truly, I didn't have a concern or a complaint about it. I thought it was a really, really funny story. I sucked it up and called his mom. Only she didn't answer. I opted for the coward's method, and sent her a series of text messages next. They all started or ended with a variation of "this is so funny," "I am not mad," "I love your son," and "this is not a big deal to me."

Because when you don't know the other parents involved very well, you really don't know what to expect. I didn't want them to think I thought something was weird about the situation, I didn't want Abram to be in trouble, either. I didn't want him to be body shamed or embarrassed or anything else that is crippling to a first-grader.

My phone rang minutes later. Gulp. Folks, I have to tell you, if you are going to have a crucial conversation with another parent, you really want that other parent to be a school teacher. Because they have heard it all before, they are used to crazy moms, and they know what is developmentally appropriate. They also have an amazing ability to take it all in stride.

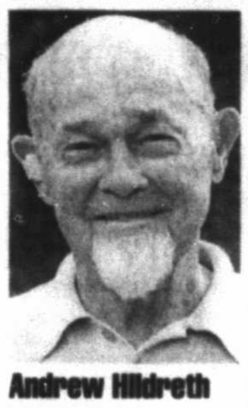
She was laughing so hard on the other end of the line that she could hardly speak. We hashed through the details again, and she admitted she had a hard time keeping a straight face when she talked to her son about it. She and her husband told Abram all the same things and explained to him he couldn't show off his bits in public. Case closed.

But before we hung up, I told her I did have one more thing I needed to say.

"Please tell Abram that we are not upset about this, he is a precious boy. But now that he has shown his penis to my daughter, we consider them betrothed. Welcome to the family!"

Melanie Nicholas is a full-time momma, writer and mommy blogger. She and The Hubs have two uhmazing children, Parksalot, 9, and Bodacious, 6. You can follow her amazing adventures fighting grime and insecurity on Facebook @MelNicholas13 and at TheBathwaterBlogs.com. Her column appears in the Reporter-Telegram every other week.

Obituaries



Andrew Hildreth Gilland, Jr.

Loved by all, Andrew Hildreth Gilland, Jr. was born on March 11, 1924 in Houston, Texas and died peacefully in the early morning hours of November 25, 2017 near his home in Springville, Utah. He was 93 years old.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Jo (Dullnig) Gilland; his sister, Dorothy Runnels; and by four children, Gina Davis (Dennis), Jim Gilland (Kimberley), Drew Gilland (Kathy), and Dave Gilland (Beth). He had 15 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be conducted, including a 21 gun salute and Taps, at Springville City Cemetery on Saturday, the 9th of December, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. Additionally, a memorial service will be conducted at the Wheeler Mortuary on Monday, the 11th of December, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. in Springville, Utah.

For further information about Andy's life, please see his page at *www.wheelermortuaries.com/listings*



Arlice Houston Hamby

Arlice Houston Hamby, 77, of Midland, passed away on Thursday, December 7, 2017.

No services will be held at this time with Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. A private family burial will be held in Olton at a time to be determined by the family.

Houston was born on August 12, 1940, in Kress, Texas to J.C. Hamby and Pauline Carson.

Anyone who knew Houston and was a dear friend called him "Punk." He cherished the fishing and hunting trips with all of his buddies over the years. All knew him as the "life of the party" and a jokester. He loved pulling silly pranks on his friends and family. He was a beautiful man and beloved PaPa. We will miss you daddy.

Houston and his dad, J.C. Hamby, owned a Phillips' jobbership (liquid fuels distributorship) in Plainview, Dimmitt, Hart, Olton and Halfway, Texas and West Texas Gas, Inc. was able to purchase that jobbership on February 1, 1980, along with keeping almost all of the local employees. Some of those employees were Clyde Schulte, Roy Harrison and Melvin Bramlett. Houston was very knowledgeable and respected in those communities and allowed for the continued growth and success of West Texas Gas. (The company further acquired jobberships in Morton, Clarendon, Seminole, Pecos, and other Texas Panhandle communities.) Houston supervised the Northern Districts for many years based out of Plainview. Sometime in the late 90s, Houston relocated to Midland to further the acquisition and operations of several more jobberships in West Texas. Houston knew and was able to help in J.L. Davis' personal farm operations by his contacts in the cattle business, farm equipment, and seed companies.

He is survived by his children, Sharissa Karol and husband Mike from Austin, Texas, Crystal Lasater and husband Paul from Midland, Texas, Brent and Christy Hamby from Olton, Texas, Page Perry and husband Jared from Midland, and Ken Hamby from Lubbock, Texas; grandchildren, Karson Karol from The Woodlands, Texas, Kole Karol from Austin, Reagan Oneal from San Antonio, Texas, and Ryan Cook and Loren Cook from Fort Worth, Texas; sister, Saundra McCoy; nieces, Rhonda McCoy Coffee and Pamela McCoy; and nephew, Jason McCoy, all from Amarillo, Texas.

He is preceded in death by his parents, J.C. Hamby and Pauline Carson Hamby.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The C.F. Foundation.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

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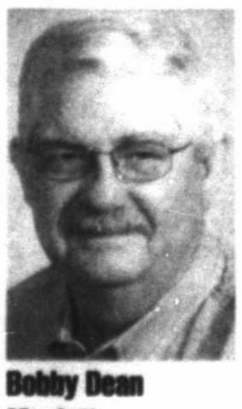


Bertie Margaret Piatt

Bertie Margaret Piatt, 81, passed away on November 30, 2017 in Midland, TX. Bertie was born January 23, 1936 in Brownwood, TX. Bertie was a loving daughter, sister, cousin, niece, aunt, wife, mother, Mammaw, dorm mother, beautician, bookkeeper, neighbor, and friend. But above all she was a Christian and loved the Lord. Special thanks to Stanton Nursing and Rehabilitation where she lived the last two years, and Senior Care of Midland for taking such good care of her.

Memorial services will be Saturday, December 16, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at Church In The Wind, 1001 Austin St., Midland, TX. 79703.

Arrangements are under the direction of Avalos-Sanchez & Thomas Funeral Home.



Bobby Dean Mariott

Bobby Dean Mariott passed away on December 8, 2017. Bobby was born at home in Coryell County, Texas on October 25, 1940.

We will gather for fellowship and remembrance from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. today, December 10, 2017, at Lake Ridge Chapel and Memorial Designers.

Family and friends will gather to celebrate his life of 77 years on Monday, December 11, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at Lake Ridge Chapel, officiated by Jay Abernathy and Tommy Haralson.

A tribute of Bobby's life may be found at *www.memorialdesigners.net*, where you may leave memories and expressions of sympathy for his family.

Bobby graduated from Evant High School in Evant, Texas. He moved to Pecos, Texas in 1960 where he met and married his wife, Shirley (Snyder) Mariott, in 1961. They were married for 56 years. Bobby was employed by Applied Industrial Technology for 44 years. He lived and worked for Applied Industrial Technology in Pecos, Big Spring, and Odessa, Texas.

Bobby volunteered at Word of Hope where he sent Bible study lessons to prisoners for 10 years. Bobby made his profession of faith when he was 12 years old and was baptized in the Cowhouse Creek in Pearl, Texas. He was a member of First Baptist Church, Lubbock, Texas. Bobby enjoyed horses, welding, and spending time with his family. He was also a handyman who could fix anything.

Bobby is preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Cleta (Bynum) Mariott, and a brother, Donald Clevon Mariott.

Bobby is survived by his wife, Shirley; two sons, Dean and wife, Jill, and Doug and wife, Joy; four grandchildren, Taylor, Hayden, Kendall, and Lauren Mariott, all of Lubbock, Texas; a brother, Royce and wife, Lavon, of Midland, Texas; two nephews, Gary and wife, Rhonda, and Cody and Cutter of Midland, Texas; Tim and wife, Monica, and Chase, Chandler, and Chancy of Boerne, Texas.

Pallbearers are Randy Dulin, Randy Mariott, Ricky Mariott, Dwayne (Butch) Fraser, Gary Mariott, and Tim Mariott.

Honorary pallbearers are the men of the Hopson Sunday School Department of First Baptist Church Lubbock.

The family request memorials to Word of Hope, PO Box 93490, Lubbock, TX 79493, Hospice of the South Plains, 4413 82nd Street, #135, Lubbock, Texas 79424, or a charity of choice.



Charles W. Freeman, Jr.

Charles W. Freeman, Jr., 52, of Crane, Texas, passed away on Saturday, December 2, 2017 from complications of Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia.

The Memorial Service will be held at Faith in Christ Church 310 W. 4th St., Crane, TX, at 2:30 p.m. on December 17, 2017.

Charles was born in Lamesa, Texas on August 22, 1965. He graduated from Rankin High School in 1984. He lived in Texas until 2001, he moved to Louisiana where he met his wife Laci. The lived there for 12 years, then moved back to Texas to be closer to his family and friends.

Charles was married to Laci Landry Freeman and together they had five children, Cody, Jenna, Brady, Lexi, and their youngest, Noah. They have three grandchildren, Kenzie, Aubree, and Kaylan.

Charles loved playing football as a Rankin Red Devil during his high school years - #44. He was a fierce Washington Redskin Fan. He loved fishing and hunting. Charles was instrumental in building the Church Hosanna in Stanton, Texas where he ministered a congregation for several years. His main passion was the land. He loved working as a Ranch Hand in his youth and later loved going to his farm in Girvin, Texas.

Charles was a great salesman and enjoyed a successful career selling homes. He loved helping families find their dream home. He was a big jokester and loved to tell jokes and he loved people.

He was a wonderful husband, father, son, brother, uncle, cousin, and friend. Charles had many friends and enjoyed everyone that he met. He had an infectious smile and a great sense of humor.

He will be greatly missed by many. He battled cancer and remained optimistic until the very end.

Charles was preceded in death by his father, Charles W. Freeman, Sr., and his baby sister, Angela.

He is survived by his wife, Laci Landry Freeman; his sons, Cody, Noah, and Brady; his daughters, Jenna and Lexi; his granddaughters, Kenzie, Aubree, and Kaylan; his grandmother, Jonell Newton; his mother, Sandy Freeman; his siblings, Greg Freeman, Sindy Locklar and her husband Curt, Sean Sullivan, Christina Wright and her husband Brian; his uncle, Hershel Freeman and his wife Kay; his aunts, Lois, Joyce and JoAnn, Pam and her husband Dean, Vicki and her husband Frank; and so many cousins, nieces and nephews, and many good friends.



Klietamae Geraldine (Broom) Scheible

Klietamae Geraldine (Broom) Scheible passed from this life at the age of 101 on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 in her residence at Scharbauer Cottage at Manor Park in Midland, Texas.

She was born May 17, 1916 in Vernon, Texas to John Wesley Broom and Ivie Edith (Steapp) Broom.

At about five years of age, she and her family relocated to Clay County, Texas to farm. She married at the age of 16 and became a wife and later a mother which was her heart's desire.

The farming business was difficult during the depression, so she and her family moved out to West Texas for work and she lived in the area for most of her life.

Her faith was one of the most important parts of her life. She became a Christian when she was 14 and was currently a member of Alamo Heights Baptist Church in Midland, Texas.

Klietamae was a member of many associations throughout her life, beginning with 4H as a child. She loved sewing, painting with oils and water colors, and gardening. Writing poetry throughout the years was one of her passions.

She is survived by her sister, Wanda Hankins of Stanton, Texas; son, Wesley Godfrey and wife Burgess of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; daughter, Glenna Buhalts of Jal, New Mexico; stepson, Tom Scheible of Houston, Texas; and by five grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, eight great-great-grandchildren, and three nieces.

Klietamae was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, a daughter, and a brother.

Visitation will be held Sunday, December 10, 2017 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home in Midland, Texas.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, December 11, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. in the Ellis Funeral Home Chapel, with Pastor Robert Murphy of Alamo Heights Baptist Church presiding. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Online condolences may be offered at *www.ellisfunerals.com*.

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Marguerite Clark Aldana

Marguerite Clark Aldana, 47, of Midland, entered into Heaven on Thursday, December 7, 2017.

You are welcome to pay your respects on Monday, December 11, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to noon at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held on Monday, December 11, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. at Elevate Church in Midland.

Marguerite, known to many as Margie, was born on August 30, 1970 in Dardanelle, Arkansas to Lee and Carol Ann Clark. She grew up in Midland, Texas, where she would stay and marry the love of her life, Bobbe, and raise their two daughters, Tori and Alex.

Margie will be remembered for her strong spirit. She was a fighter and stayed tough until the end. She was feisty and funny, strong-willed, loving and the life of the party.

Her hobbies included riding Harley-Davidson motorcycles with her husband, interior design, arts and crafts projects with her girls, and party planning. She was truly "the hostess with the mostest" and found joy in throwing fun, themed parties. She was an excellent homemaker and continued to do her absolute best, despite being diagnosed with numerous conditions throughout life, including lupus and lymphoma.

She is survived by her husband, Bobbe Aldana; daughters, Victoria "Tori" Aldana and Alexandra "Alex" Aldana; mother, Carol Ann Clark; sisters, Rachel Simmons and Rebecca Bradford; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her father, Lee Clark.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be donated to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society or the Texas Oncology Foundation.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

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Death Notices

Mary E. "Bonnie" Scott

Mary E. "Bonnie" Scott, 77 of Midland, passed away on December 9, 2017.

The family will be accepting guests at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home on Tuesday, December 12, 2017 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Services will be at West Kentucky Baptist Church on Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

Bonnie is survived by her husband, James W. Scott; children, James Scott, Jr., Mary Jo Rigsby, and Helen Wise; and step-children, Sheerie Evans and Gemette Barton.

Roy "Moose" L. Tabb

Roy "Moose" L. Tabb went home to meet Jesus on Tuesday, November 28, 2017.

He is survived by his daughter, Susan Tabb Sayari, and his son, Steve Tabb.

A graveside service was held on Saturday, December 2, 2017 at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland, Texas.

Former newspaper publisher Karen Wittmer Jekel dies

Associated Press

PHOENIX — Karen Wittmer Jekel, a former publisher of newspapers in Arizona and other states and a community leader in Scottsdale and the Mesa area, died Dec. 2. She was 65.

The death was confirmed by her husband, Lou Jekel. He says she died six months after being diagnosed with bile duct cancer.

Wittmer Jekel was publisher of the East Valley Tribune in 2007 when she joined her husband in retirement. The couple split their time between Scottsdale and Cornville, Arizona, and Alexandria Bay, New York.

Survivors include her husband; her mother, Mary; brothers Mark and Marty and a sister, Margo. The couple had no children.

Jim Ripley, a former coworker of Wittmer Jekel, says the family plans private services.

Langtry resident uses a weed eater to reveal the town

TUMBLEWEED SMITH
Columnist



Keith Bowden seldom argues with his wife, Anna. Could be because he lives in Langtry, and she lives in Santiago, Chile. It seems to be working out fine. They've been married more than 20 years. They met in Nova Scotia where Anna was a teacher and Keith was a student. He was born in Delaware.

Keith taught English at Laredo Community College, then retired to Langtry, a place where he was stranded years ago because of a railroad strike. At the time, he was having adventures riding boxcars. He felt something for the town made famous by Judge Roy Bean and decided to settle down there.

Langtry is on the Rio Grande, and Keith has taken numerous canoe or raft trips on the river, sometimes starting in El Paso and going all the way to the gulf. He says the river gives him a sense of peace, and he is fascinated by the silence he experiences on his trips.

"Between now and April I'll be on the river a lot of the time, probably about 10 weeks."

He sleeps on the ground during his river trips. Not much different from when he's at his home in Langtry, where he sleeps on a pallet. He doesn't have a phone or TV.

When he settled in Langtry three years ago, he says the town looked like it had fallen into ruin, a far cry from the railroad days in the early part of the 20th century when it was a thriving community.

"So, I decided that I was going to clear the entire town and take away all the unwanted brush and weeds. I wanted to uncover and expose all these wonderful old crumbling buildings and re-plant everything I cleared with native plants that didn't need maintenance. I have to contend with all these invasive plants that don't belong here and want to take over. I'm constantly trimming unwanted grasses to keep them from seeding. I'm replacing them primarily with candelilla because it spreads."

He says Langtry looks like a small town but when you have to weed the entire town, it gets bigger.

"Every time it rains, it's pretty much eight to 10 hours a day running the weed eater. On the other hand, when we're in a dry spell like we've had for a couple of months, I'm pacing back and forth wishing I could do it just for eight minutes. I'm on my second machine. The string is $80 a roll, and I buy it in bulk. I changed the string three times yesterday, put in another 20 feet. Part of that is the way I do it. I'm really blasting the roots. I raise a lot of dust."

He does people's yards,

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GOP knows this tax is an 'abomination,' so why is it still in their bill?

MARC A. THIESSEN
Special to the Washington Post



The phones of House and Senate leaders are ringing off the hook right now, as CEOs and wealthy donors lobby them furiously to lower the top income tax rate and insert costly carve-outs into the GOP tax bill to protect their business tax preferences. Too bad regular taxpayers don't have a direct line to the conferees hammering out the final bill to plead their cases. Because it seems as though they have been forgotten.

Case in point: At the last minute, Senate Republicans changed their version of the tax bill to keep the Alternative Minimum Tax (AMT) — a pernicious parallel tax code which they had promised to scrap that requires corporations and millions of individuals to calculate their taxes twice and pay whichever rate is higher. On hearing the news, corporate lobbyists swung into action, pressing GOP leaders to get rid of the corporate AMT in the final bill. And their efforts seem to be paying off. The corporate AMT "has to be eliminated," House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy, R-Calif., said on Monday.

But what about individuals? Who is championing AMT repeal for them?

Enter Sen. Richard Burr, R-N.C., who is fighting to get the individual AMT removed from the final tax reform bill as well. "Repeal of the individual AMT has been a fundamental element of Republican tax reform campaign promises for years," he told me. "By leaving the individual AMT in place, we would be punishing hardworking Americans and doing virtually nothing to simplify the tax code."

Burr is right. Congress created the AMT in 1969 after the Treasury Department reported that 155 high-income filers were using tax breaks to avoid paying any income taxes. In 1970, it affected only 20,000 very high-income taxpayers. But today, the number of people impacted has ballooned to 5.2 million.

Most of those who currently pay the AMT are not from the highest-income households for which the tax was intended, but the middle and upper-middle class - folks who have enough money to be a ripe target of revenue raisers, but not enough to have influence on Capitol Hill. They are mostly two-earner households with mortgages to pay, who give to charity and have children.

The AMT also hits the families of our fallen warriors. According to Burr, children who receive an annuity from the Uniformed Services Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP) can see the AMT eat up as much as 26 percent of their benefit. No Republican tax bill should punish individuals like these - especially not to pay for tax breaks for corporations and the wealthiest among us.

Members of the Trump administration know that the AMT is a horrible tax. In 2006, Kevin Hassett - now chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers - called the AMT "an economic abomination" and urged Congress to "erase it from the tax code completely." Yet instead of erasing it, Republicans are retaining it.

Keeping the individual AMT means many Americans will see no tax cut under the GOP bill, Burr says. It defeats the entire purpose of tax reform. GOP leaders promised

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■ Shop with a credit card. In case of a fraudulent transaction, a credit card provides additional protections; it's easier to dispute charges that you didn't approve. Debit cards, prepaid cards or gift cards don't have the same protections as a credit card.

■ Keep documentation of your order. Save a copy of the confirmation page or email confirmation until you receive the item and are satisfied. Be sure to know and understand the return policy and keep this documented with your purchase records.

Also, with this time of year being peak season for package delivery companies, there are plenty more opportunities for real-life Grinches to steal your Christmas gifts right from your doorstep. A report by home security company, August Homes Inc., says 11 million packages have been stolen in the past year. BBB recommends the following to make sure your online order makes it under the Christmas Tree:

■ Track your packages: Follow shipments from the seller to your front door with online, text message or phone call tracking offered through the delivery company. Sign up for alerts to be notified of delays or exceptions and when the package has been delivered.

■ Request a signature: This package delivery feature will likely come with a fee, but without a recipient's signature, the delivery service won't be able to leave a package exposed on a doorstep.

■ Check with your employer: Some employers will allow package delivery to your place of work for safe keeping.

■ Ask your neighbors: If you know people that work out of their home or stay at home that live near you, ask them to look out for your deliveries.

Remember, if you've been the target of a scam or suspect scam activity, report it to authorities and at bbb.org/scamtracker to warn others.

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what governments need to finance their spending.

Saudi Arabia, for example, can produce oil for less than $20 a barrel. If Saudi Aramco were a public company, then $60 a barrel would be a huge windfall.

Saudi Aramco, though, is a national oil company owned and operated by a petrostate. To meet the government's budget needs, Aramco needs to sell oil at $84 a barrel or more, according to financial analysis firm Fitch's.

Russia's oil companies are semi-state owned, which means they also produce revenue for the government. President Vladimir Putin needs oil prices to reach $72 a barrel to cover his costs.

U.S. oil companies need nothing more than a 10 percent return on investment to "break even" for their investors. Most shale producers say they can do that at $55 a barrel.

For proof, consider that 33 of the largest U.S. producers added 897,000 barrels a day of new oil hedges during in the third quarter of 2017, up 147 percent from the second quarter 2017, according to financial analysis firm Wood Mackenzie. The strike price was between $50 and $60 a barrel.

"When futures prices rose above that ($50) level, producers may have viewed it as an opportunity to lock in prices that will enable them to hit — or maybe outperform — targets," said Andy McConn, research analyst at Wood Mackenzie. "Recent pressure from investors for producers to live within cash flow is likely compelling producers to limit exposure to price risk."

Most oil price forecasts point to prices for West Texas Intermediate crude remaining below $60 a barrel in 2018. That would be good news for U.S. oil producers, which could increase production, but likely bad news for OPEC and Russia, which will still not collect the prices they need to pay the bills.

Sustained low prices mean Russia, Saudi and all of the other petrostates need to cut their internal spending, which is a surefire way to trigger popular unrest when the government is run by a totalitarian government. That's a prescription for instability, which has the ironic consequence of driving up oil prices when the trouble starts.

In the meantime, $60 oil is enough for U.S. oil companies to boost production to 10 million barrels a day next year, making the U.S. the world's largest producer, research firm Rystad Energy predicted. Al-Falih said he wasn't worried about increased U.S. production because it is meeting growing demand, not cutting into OPEC's existing market share.

OPEC's pledge to extend production cuts is welcome, but it does not solve all of the oil industry's problems. It only masks them for now.

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Because we feel it is important that you know how and where your donations to Helping Hands are spent, here is what was done last week

Electricity	1 family	$ 524.07
Water	6 families	$ 2,096.61
Rent	20 families	$20,425.25
Medical	1 family	$ 2,500.00
TOTAL		$25,545.93



Meet Our Newest Volunteer
Phillip Wilson!

4-year-old Phillip Wilson and his mom began volunteering at Helping Hands several weeks ago. He quickly decided that he could be of best use in our toy department and he and his mom spend several hours each day, two or three days a week sorting through toys, determining which would be best to sell in our store. He loves coming to Helping Hands and can't wait to get here each day. He is so good at his job that we have recently promoted him to manager of the toy gun department, a job that he takes quite seriously! The son of Justin and Sarah Wilson, Phillip and his family attend St. Stephen's Catholic Church.

Phillip is proof that there is something for everyone to do at Helping Hands. If you have some spare time each day we would love to have you. For more information call Mary at (432) 528-6265 anytime.

STORE CLOSED

Our thrift store will be closed Saturday, December 16 so that we can dis-tribute Christmas clothes and gifts to the families of the children that we are spon-soring for Christmas this year. We will reopen Tuesday, December 12 at 10 a.m.79703.

'Centrist' Andrew White launches bid to return to boyhood home

Editor's note: Austin American-Statesman columnist Ken Herman was there when two Democrats made the bid for governor official. Here and below are his takes on both.

KEN HERMAN
Austin American-Statesman





Michael Ciaglo/Houston Chronicle

Andrew White, son of former Texas Governor Mark White, launches his campaign for governor Thursday in Houston.

HOUSTON — A Houston businessman on Thursday announced plans to move back into the Austin home in which he lived as a kid until the people of Texas threw his family out.

His mom, Linda Gale White, who also lived in that house, sat in the front row, led the applause and had tears in her eyes when it was over. Linda Gale White says she'd love to spend some more time in that home, this time as a grandmother.

The problem is the home's current occupant has no plans to move out and is prepared to spend tens of millions of dollars to remain there.

Andrew White, who announced Thursday that he's officially a Democratic gubernatorial candidate, is the son of late Gov. Mark White, who moved his family to Austin when Andrew, now 45, was 6 months old.

The family later moved into the Governor's Mansion in 1983 when White became governor. Andrew, the middle child, was 10 at the time. He went to Zavala Elementary School and O. Henry Middle School.

"Dad lost in my eighth-grade year so we came back to Houston," Andrew White told me Thursday just prior to announcing a candidacy that came as a surprise to his mom when he first mentioned it to her shortly after his dad's death in August.

On Thursday, Linda Gale White had a mom's honor of introducing her son to a crowd of a couple of hundred supporters gathered in an office building lobby. Cold, rainy weather had erased the plan to hold the event at Houston's Mark White Elementary School.

For Andrew White — whose campaign logo uses the same typeface and color as his dad's — getting back to the Governor's Mansion is a long shot. He's never run for office and faces an uphill battle to get the Democratic nomination. Former Dallas County Sheriff Lupe Valdez, who announced Wednesday, is the anointed candidate of much of the party machinery, such as it is. The field includes a half-dozen lesser-known candidates.

Andrew White made no mention of Valdez in his announcement speech, opting instead to focus on Abbott and position himself as a moderate Democrat ("I'll work with people on both sides," he said in his speech) who can do something no Texas Democrat has done since 1994: win a statewide election.

Longtime state Rep. Garnet Coleman, D-Houston, is backing White and said, "Centrists always do well in governing."

Andrew White told the crowd: "I'm a common-sense Democrat and I can beat Gov. Abbott in November," later branding Abbott as "not a bad man, but he is the wrong man for the future of Texas."

"After 22 years serving the state, Gov. Abbott should have more to show for his service than a failed bathroom bill," he said.

But for now, getting into a one-on-one battle with Abbott is Job Two. First, he has to win his party's nomination.

Prior to the speech, Andrew White said he's "looking forward to hearing what (Valdez) has to say."

"But I'm excited about the attention she's bringing to the race because the more attention we can have and place on Greg Abbott's record the better," White said. "So I'm looking forward to a real race. And frankly, as a newbie coming out of the gate as a politician, when I make it through the primary I'll be a better candidate in the general because of Lupe."

He acknowledged he has a potentially tricky line to walk on one of the hottest-button issue for Democrats. White believes life begins at conception, a stance that led Wendy Davis, the Dems' unsuccessful 2014 gubernatorial nominee, to recently blast White as an "anti-choice man asking for our support as the Democratic choice for governor. Uhh-no. Just no."

Andrew White says Davis has it wrong.

"That's a personal religious view I have and I feel strongly about that," he said. "It's important to me. So when I say making abortion rare, it's part of I'd love to find ways to work to make it rare. But it always should be legal and that's the way the Supreme Court settled it."

He acknowledges the 1973 Roe V. Wade ruling as the law of the land.

"My personal beliefs are my personal beliefs. This would pertain to my wife and my children, the beliefs I would grow my children to believe in," he said. "But as it relates to other people in America, we live in a free country and we're ruled by law and that rule of law is set by the Supreme Court and the Supreme Court has already determined that law. And I don't see them overturning themselves any time soon."

I asked if he disagrees with that law.

"On a personal level, I do," he said. "I also believe in Christianity. I don't enforce my Christian beliefs on others as well."

In his speech, White blasted Abbott's record on health care and said Abbott and Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick have "dramatically reduced spending on women's health services, which is why more mothers die in pregnancy in Texas than anywhere else."

"Abortion is legal," he said in the speech, "and we must all work to keep it safe and to make it rare."

How well White walks the precarious line he's trying to navigate on abortion could go a long way toward determining whether he gets a shot at moving back into the downtown house that was his boyhood home for four years.

LUPE VALDEZ, OFF AND RUNNING ... KIND OF

AUSTIN — If Wendy Davis' unsuccessful 2014 Democratic gubernatorial campaign began with hoopla — and it did when she revved up juiced-up supporters in a crowded coliseum near Fort Worth — Lupe Valdez's 2018 gubernatorial campaign began in downtown Austin Wednesday with what we'll charitably call hooplo.

Valdez's announcement came in a meeting room near Texas Democratic Party headquarters in the Texas AFL-CIO building on Lavaca Street, so geographically close yet so politically far from the Governor's Mansion.

Let posterity forever note Valdez's first public pronouncement after signing the paperwork that made her a candidate: "This is going to be a little difficult for me."

But let posterity also note she was talking about her immediate task, reading her relatively low-key announcement statement at a lectern overcrowded with TV microphones because the Democratic Party's equipment was on the fritz.

Valdez, with her inspiring life story as the child of migrant farmworkers, seems a good fit for a Texas Democratic Party long relegated to scrappy underdog, underfunded status.

"Like so many Texans," said Valdez, who has resigned as Dallas County sheriff, "I have lived the life where your day starts way before the sun rises. I was born the eighth child of migrant farmworkers."

She had little to say about what she'd do as governor, other than noting that "good government is about finding solutions to real problems, not putting a spin on lies and creating fear."

Texans, she said, "are begging for a return of common sense, smart investments and just plain sanity."

Sanity in Texas government? What fun would that be?

Valdez, who'll face several candidates in the Democratic primary, answered a few questions prior to begging off to catch a plane back to Dallas.

Q: How're you going to beat GOP Gov. Greg Abbott?

A: "Texas is not a red state. It's a nonvoting state."

Q: How much money will you need to win?

A: "I think we're going to raise whatever money is necessary. I don't believe that we need 40, 60, 90 gazillion dollars."

Despite downplaying money, Valdez tweeted for dollars shortly after her announcement: "I'm in! Now, I need you to become a founding donor of our campaign."

As she headed out of the room, a TV guy asked Valdez to list her top three priorities.

"We're going to have plenty of time to discuss that," Valdez said, "but it's going to be jobs, education and transportation. But we're going to have plenty of time to discuss that."

Yes, we are. And we look forward to how she would seek to address those issues as a Democratic governor with an overwhelmingly Republican Legislature.

Team Abbott responded quickly to the anointed Democratic challenger, who seems to start out as the party establishment pick in a field that includes much lesser-known candidates. Wednesday morning, shortly after the Democrats announced that Valdez was about to announce, Abbott consultant Dave Carney tweeted this sarcastic (I think) response: "Never doubt the power of prayer!"

And, timed to coincide with the Valdez event, the Abbott campaign announced he'd been endorsed by the Dallas Police Association Political Action Committee, something Valdez discounted as a decision made by "a couple of people."

Valdez' public service career — U.S. Army captain, Customs agent, Department of Homeland Security agent and sheriff — is to be lauded. Thank you for your service. Now, tell us what you know about the complexities of state government.

And Valdez is correct, we're going to have plenty of time for that. Voters are entitled to hear that discussion.

Indeed, the differences between Davis' 2014 high-energy, high-profile, high-production-value announcement of what turned out to be a disastrous candidacy couldn't have been more different than the Valdez version we saw Wednesday.

But the biggest difference might have been this: Some people in the room when Davis announced actually thought she could win.

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qualified, intelligent people also come from more than one political party.

Of all the characteristics that might seem challenging for a Texas gubernatorial candidate, the one that stands out most for Valdez is obvious: She's a Democrat.

And of all the characteristics that make Valdez a trailblazing candidate, the one that might be most surprising involves the trail she'd blaze for older Texans. She was born on Oct. 11, 1947, which means she'd be 71 if she wins and takes the oath in January 2019. That would make her the oldest person to become Texas governor for the first time. (And I invite everyone to check my math on all this.)

The current record holder for oldest first-time Texas governor? Looks as if it's Sam Houston, who was born March 2, 1793, and was 66 when he got the guv gig in December 1859. (Although that was the first time Houston became governor of Texas, it was not the first time he became a governor. He was elected Tennessee's governor at age 34 in 1827.)

Gov. Bill Clements was 69 when he took office in January 1987, but he was 61 when he took the oath for his first term in January 1979.

So, in addition to appealing to other important demographics, perhaps we'll see Geezers for Lupe bumper stickers.

A final update: We have a winner! I told you recently that Gov. Greg Abbott's campaign was raffling off an Astros flag that had been displayed on the Governor's Mansion. I encouraged you to take advantage of the opportunity to enter without making a contribution, as I had. I didn't win. I'm recovering from the disappointment, as are all entrants who wanted to win without donating to the Abbott re-election campaign.

The campaign tells me the lucky winner was "Matthew from Lorena," who gave $75. Congrats to Matthew. Enjoy the flag.

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From 3B

to make the tax code simpler and fairer. But the AMT increases tax complexity and raises compliance costs for 10 million American taxpayers, who must calculate their taxes using two separate systems every year — and then pay whichever rate is the highest. That is not simple or fair. It is obscene.

GOP leaders are focused on passing corporate tax cuts to fuel economic growth, which is a good thing. But they seem to have lost sight of the fact that reducing taxes for individuals is important, too. According to the Tax Policy Center, even before the AMT retention, 1 in 4 Americans will not get any tax cut under the Senate bill, and 14 percent of middle-class Americans will get a tax increase of $1,170.

That is a problem for the GOP. If Americans see the GOP borrowing $1.5 trillion to pay for tax cuts, and they end up getting either no tax cut or paying more next year, they will punish Republicans at the polls. Instead of more carve-outs for corporations and fat-cat donors, Republicans should give tax relief to more individuals, especially the middle class.

Will Burr vote no on final passage if the individual AMT is not repealed? He hopes it won't come to that. "I am confident the House and Senate conferees will fix the individual AMT in the final tax reform bill," he says. Let's hope he's right. If Republicans get rid of the AMT for corporations, but not for individuals, that will send a clear message to American voters about where the GOP's interests lie.

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vacant lots — anywhere there is a weed. And he doesn't charge for his services.

"Sometimes, I pay to have heavy equipment come in and take away all the prickly pear on a lot that's overgrown. I'd rather pay than do it by hand. I don't take any money for this and wouldn't, even if some wealthy person wanted to pay me. And if that ever does happen, I'll just give it to the church."

As a result of his efforts, Langtry is looking a lot better than it did three years ago. When I asked someone in town how to find Keith, I was told to follow the sound of the weed eater.





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Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., waits to speak during a meeting of the Senate Banking Committee on Capitol Hill in Washington on Tuesday as members of the committee prepare to vote on Jerome Powell to be Federal Reserve System chairman of the board of governors. Warren voted against Powell.

PRO Is Elizabeth Warren really a prime contender for the presidency? CON

Yes: A united left could put Warren in White House



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Sen. Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts likely will be the Democratic presidential nominee in 2020. Her fighting brigades will include feminists, neo-socialists and, of course, the nation's powerful left wing media.

Unfortunately, the Democrats just don't have anyone else with a national following, and aren't likely to come up with anyone.

As things stand, the Harvard emeritus professor of law has become the leading left winger in a party that's been taken over by the hard left, and she's a feminist icon. Those are two huge advantages almost impossible for her primary opponents to overcome — especially if they happen to be male centrists.

The Democrats have largely abandoned the center of the political spectrum once embraced by Bill Clinton, and have embraced populist alt-left politics, as shown by a recent Warren speech.

Warren said the Clintons' effort to push Democrats toward the political center is over. "The Democratic Party isn't going back to the days of welfare reform and the crime bill," she said of measures Bill Clinton signed into law as president that are hated by much of the far left. "It is not going to happen.

"We are not the gatecrashers of today's Democratic Party. We are the heart and soul of today's Democratic Party," she said.

Warren first rose to stardom on the left because of her populist attacks against concentrated economic power, and she has since broadened her case against what she calls "a rigged system."

She claims women, undocumented immigrants, African-Americans and lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people all suffer from fundamental inequities.

And, there's no doubt that she's right about the direction her party has taken. That first became obvious when avowed socialist Sen. Bernie Sanders (I-Vt.) did surprisingly well in the Democratic primaries in the 2016 race against relative centrist Hillary Clinton.

Sanders promised free college education and health care, which would have meant a 91 percent income tax rate, but that didn't matter to the far left, which adored him.

Warren appeals to middle class voters with a left-wing populist message, saying they have gotten a raw deal from the system rigged by the rich.

That's the perfect message for people who've had stagnant wages for decades. Added to that, Warren's latest book is titled "This Fight is Our Fight: The Battle to Save America's Middle Class."

Here's a sample of her populist rhetoric:

"Throughout our history, powerful interests have tried to capture Washington and rig the system in their favor. From tax policy to retirement security, the voices of hard-working people get drowned out by powerful industries and well-financed front groups. Those with power fight to make sure that every rule tilts in their favor. Everyone else just gets left behind."

"Just look at the big banks. They cheated American families, crashed the economy, got bailed out, and now the six biggest banks are 37 percent bigger than they were in 2008. They still swagger through Washington, blocking reforms and pushing around agencies. A kid gets caught with a few ounces of pot and goes to jail, but a big bank breaks the law on laundering drug money or manipulating currency, and no one even gets arrested. The game is rigged — and it's not right!"

Meanwhile, hard-core feminists are poised to use social media to blast any mainstream male Democrat with the effrontery to run against her.

They've done it to Senate leadership over a procedural dispute and have an ongoing dispute with Trump administration over a financial agency.

It doesn't matter who's right — she's their icon and that's all that matters.

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No: Nominating Warren would doom Dems' chances



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Many Democrats — probably a majority — believe Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren is the perfect person to replace the aging Sen. Bernie Sanders as the party's torch-bearer for progressive causes in 2020.

But nominating Warren would be a massive mistake for Democrats, and making her president would be even worse for America.

There's no question Warren could win the ivory tower left-wing academics, alt-left media and progressive enclaves in states such as Vermont, Massachusetts, California and New York.

But her desire to centralize even more power in Washington, D.C., has little appeal throughout the rest of the country, including in regions important for Democrats to win in 2020.

To beat President Donald Trump in a general election, Warren would need to convince his Democratic-leaning voters in states like Pennsylvania and Wisconsin to reject Trump's mostly pro-market economic views and embrace of American exceptionalism in favor of Warren's leftist policies.

There are a number of reasons to believe this is unlikely to occur.

First, Trump's economic policies are working. Over the past two quarters, GDP growth has topped 3 percent, something Barack Obama never achieved as president.

Further, since Trump won the election in November 2016, the unemployment rate has improved by 0.7 percentage points, and the economy has added more than 138,000 manufacturing jobs so far in 2017.

Compare that to Barack Obama's last year in 2016, when the United States lost 16,000 manufacturing jobs.

Considering how vital manufacturing is in parts of the Midwest, these figures likely will be especially important for many of the region's Democratic-leaning voters who backed Trump in 2016.

Trump's economic successes are largely due to his support for the very same free-market principles Warren has long denounced and fought hard to reject.

For instance, Warren wants to implement additional regulations and taxes on businesses, imposing billions of dollars in costs on job-creating corporations and investors.

Warren also views Trump's vigorous pro-energy policies an anathema.

Yet the nation's energy sector, including the oil, natural gas, and coal industries are important to communities throughout the country, but especially in the Midwest.

Warren wants to block new pipelines and phase out cheap fossil fuels, replacing them with much more expensive forms of energy, such as solar and wind.

Solar and wind can't survive without the huge and costly government subsidies they receive today. Her policy banks on forcing traditional forms of energy out of business. These policies would devastate many towns and cities in the Midwest, Great Plains and Southwest areas of the nation, as they did under Obama.

Warren also routinely advocates for expanding the behemoth national government and squashing state and individual rights.

Her embrace of radical economic redistributionist policies would force hard-working taxpayers to give even more of their money to others to pay for things like solar panels and free college tuition.

That's most clearly revealed by the actions of her brainchild — the monstrous Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB).

CFPB's stated purpose is to protect consumers from misleading and fraudulent activities by banks and other financial institutions.

But in reality it has stifled businesses that are essential for economic growth by imposing unnecessary and redundant costs, which inevitably get passed on to the public.

It's reasonable to assume that if she were to be elected president, she'd support the creation of similar reckless government institutions — agencies most middle-of-the-road Democrats don't want.

Warren's socialist policies are totally out of touch with voters' views, but this is particularly true in regions such as the Midwest, where Democrats must perform better in 2020 than they did in 2016 to have any hope of beating Trump.

To win back the White House, Democrats need to nominate moderate candidates for president and vice president.

Some may emerge as we get nearer to the 2020 election, but right now a Warren-Sanders ticket appears to be the best the party can offer voters.

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Trump puts fact ahead of fiction in Israel

■ Israelis call Jerusalem their capital for the same reason they claim two plus two equals four. It's just true

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The most exhausting thing about the Middle East — except for the bloodshed, poverty, tyranny, etc. — is that it refuses to conform to how it's described in the West.

It's like journalists, diplomats and politicians want to announce a football game, but the players keep insisting on playing rugby. The field looks similar. The scoring isn't all that different. It's just a different game. But don't tell the gang in the booth. They get furious when you point out that the facts don't line up with the commentary.

Consider President Trump's momentous (though for now mostly symbolic) announcement that the United States will recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel. Before you can debate whether this was a good move, you must acknowledge one glaring fact that the chatterers want to ignore or downplay: It's true. Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. The Knesset, Israel's parliament, convenes there. Israelis call it their capital for the same reason they claim two plus two equals four. It's just true.

What makes the decision controversial, is that everyone had agreed to pretend it wasn't the capital in order to protect "the peace process."

That's another term that doesn't quite correspond with reality. There is no peace process. Mahmoud Abbas, the Palestinian president finishing the 12th year of his four-year term, has refused to meet with the Israelis to discuss anything since early in the Obama administration.

Part of the blame for that, of course, belongs with Obama, who built an entire foreign policy around what he wanted to be true rather than what was actually going on. Obama sought to distance the U.S. from Israel on the assumption that Israel was the unreasonably stubborn party in the "peace process." That's why, on the way out the door, the Obama administration broke with precedent and opted not to veto a U.N. Security Council resolution declaring East Jerusalem "occupied territory."

This implied that, as a matter of international law, the Western Wall, and the Jewish Quarter of Jerusalem itself, really belongs to the Palestinians — which is an insane fantasy.

But denying reality is how this game has long been played. In his speech after Trump's announcement, Abbas talked at great length about Jerusalem's history as a Muslim and Christian city. He made no mention of the fact that it's also a famously Jewish city, having been established as the capital of ancient Israel 1,000 years before Jesus was born.

Trump called his decision "a recognition of reality," People invested in irreality insist the move will worsen "the Middle East conflict."

Here, too, we have mislabeling. Whole books are dedicated to the Middle East conflict, as if the Israel-Palestinian issue is the only conflict in the region. Tell that to the hundreds of thousands of dead Syrians or the millions displaced by the civil war there. Tell it to those dying in Yemen, site of a proxy war between Iran and Saudi Arabia.

It's been this way for decades. The Palestinians and their Arab patrons insisted to gullible Westerners that the Israel-Palestinian conflict was the source of all the region's problems. Was the Iran-Iraq war, which cost more than a million lives, a fight over Palestinian statehood? What about the Lebanese civil war? Turkey's campaign against the Kurds?

The only people who bought the idea that the Middle East conflict began and ended with Israel, were those guys in the control booth describing the wrong game — i.e., Western experts and activists deeply invested in the "peace process."

In a sense that's understandable. If you've dedicated your entire professional life to a moveable feast that covers your airfare and lodging in Paris or Geneva while you discuss grave matters, it's probably hard not to cling to fictions.

But those fictions are losing their hold, ironically thanks in large part to the Obama administration. By working on fantasy rather than facts, Obama threw the balance of power in the region heavily in Iran's favor, lifting sanctions and giving Iran hundreds of billions of dollars. He thought the Iranians would join the community of nations or some such twaddle. Instead, they pocketed the money and are now on a surer path to a nuclear bomb.

As a result of this new reality, the old fictions are a luxury that Iran's regional adversaries can no longer afford. That's why Saudi Arabia, a longtime Palestinian patron, has been moving steadily closer to Israel: because Israel is a more valuable friend in the new Middle East conflict than the Palestinians are — or Obama was.

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OUR VIEW

We look forward to the arrival of the city's new police chief

Congratulations to Steve Henry for his selection as the next chief of the Midland Police Department.

We have met the man and are excited about what he brings to position. We are ready to see what happens.

While we await the arrival of the new top lawman in the department, we would be remiss if we didn't address another qualified candidate — Deputy Chief Jeff Darr. As we talked to those we respect around the community, we learned Darr had the qualifications to be considered for this position. In fact, we believe he would have been as capable as former chief Price Robinson, whose legacy may be someone whose leadership forced city leaders to look elsewhere.

Robinson's time as MPD chief offered too many examples of a leader avoiding accountability. We felt there were too many times when — from the outside — we had to ask what's going on in the chief's office. Robinson oversaw the department when MPD failed to issue a parade permit, but still participated in, the Show of Support parade that ended tragically in 2012.

There were times MPD personnel acted in a manner that was different than what members of our community members expected and the best we could expect from Robinson was that something "fell through the cracks" as a reason for a lack of transparency.

In our view, Henry inherits talented people inside the Midland Police Department. We know the department to be accredited, which candidates during the search said is more than a feather in the cap of the department and community. We would never hold every member of the department responsible for the actions of a few. We thank all of our law enforcement community for their efforts and say Midland is better because so many whose names will never appear in this newspaper are working patrols and protecting all Midlanders from those who wish to do us harm.

And in the end, this newspaper fell short of holding Robinson accountable for what became a laundry list of places he came up short — sometimes woefully short. Not long after he was hired as police chief in 2008, we wrote in this space, "We were more than a little pleased ... when city manager Courtney Sharp appointed Price Robinson to be Midland's next police chief."

We just kept waiting during those eight years that he would ultimately live up to our expectations. He didn't, and we expect Darr paid the price.

Does this mean Henry wasn't qualified to be the next police chief? Certainly not. Our expectations are that he more than fills the shoes of his predecessor.

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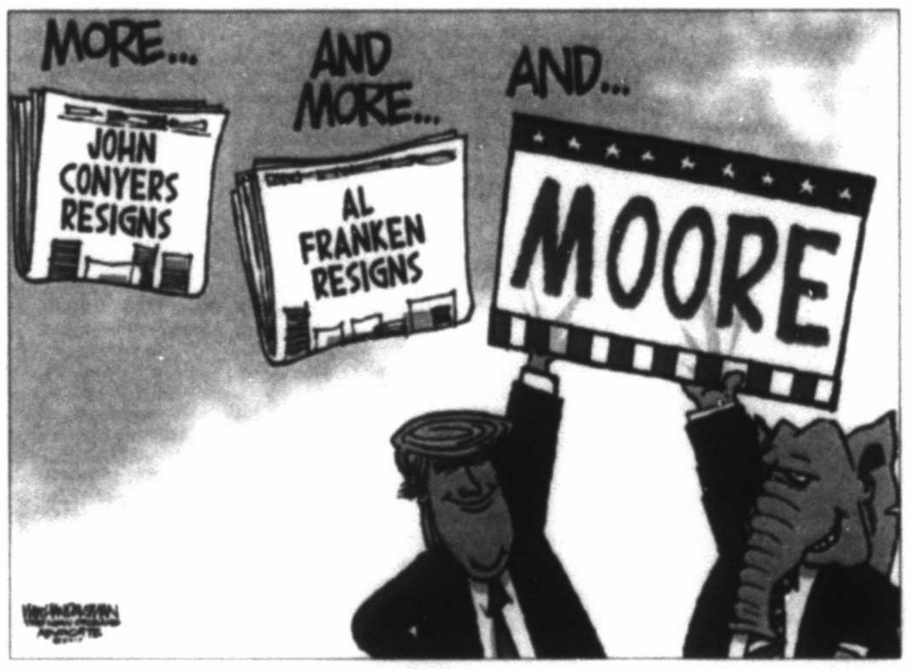
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Bannon makes garbage case for Moore

■ As Democrats at long last begin to dump Bill Clinton, Bannon wants to adopt the ethics of the party of Clinton

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In his Alabama appearance for Roy Moore, Steve Bannon turned in an intellectually and morally putrid performance even by his standards.

There is a partisan case for voting for Moore, which is simply that Republicans can't afford to lose a Senate seat and Moore's failings must be ignored or rationalized away for the larger good of the party.

This is not an elevated line of reasoning and not obviously correct on its own terms. With Democrats throwing John Conyers and Al Franken overboard, Senate Republicans would be welcoming into their ranks a potent symbol of sexual malfeasance to be used against them.

It's a better argument, though, than the tawdry justifications offered up by Bannon.

He seems to misunderstand the nature of the deplorables he seeks to lead. "Deplorable" is supposed to be an unfair, disparaging term for people who believe reasonable but politically incorrect things. It shouldn't be a license for conduct that is truly deplorable.

As Democrats at long last begin to dump Bill Clinton, Bannon wants to adopt the ethics of the party of Clinton. In Alabama, he used that phrase redolent of the 1990s, "the politics of personal destruction." Who is doing the destroying? Why the globalists, of course.

It's not clear why they would be so fixated on defeating Moore that they'd work behind the scenes to get a bunch of women who don't know each other to lie about him. It's a lot of effort to defeat a man who is arguing he should be elected to provide another vote for corporate tax cuts.

Bannon referred to a conspiracy against Donald Trump in how the "Access Hollywood" tape was brought to light, somewhat jocularly. But his mindset is deeply conspiratorial. Because there are so many forces arrayed against you — the globalists, the establishment, the media — you are freed of any moral responsibility or standards.

In fact, the mere mention of "honor" or "integrity" is a terrible provocation. Bannon launched a scurrilous attack on Mitt Romney because the former Republican presidential nominee used those terms in opposing Moore. Bannon shot back, in a truly perverse riff, that Moore has more honor in his "pinkie" than the entire Romney clan; per Bannon, Moore served in Vietnam and Romney didn't, and none of Romney's sons joined the military.

Obviously, if going to Vietnam and having kids who served in the military is the sole measure of honor, Trump fails the test, and John McCain passes it. This doesn't stop Bannon from considering Trump a hero and McCain a disgrace. But it's not worth trying too hard to unpack Bannon's spiel.

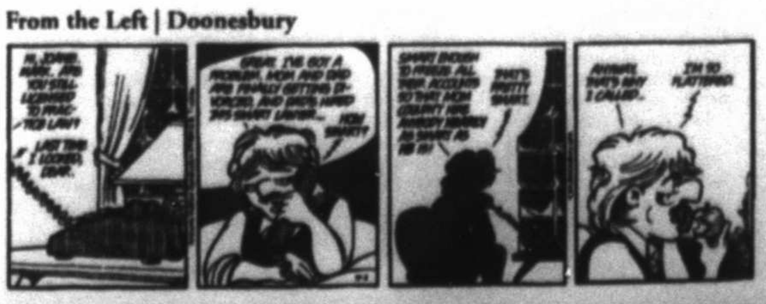
There is a huge element of play-acting here. Bannon waited to see which way the wind was blowing in Alabama. If Moore were still running consistently behind Democrat Doug Jones, Bannon wouldn't be holding a campaign rally for him and challenging Romney to come down to Alabama to prove his manhood.

The urgency to get the party to back Moore-type candidates isn't immediately apparent. If the point is just to hold Republican Senate seats, safer, more conventional Republicans are better suited to the task. If the point is just to support the Trump agenda, safer, more conventional candidates are as reliable, and perhaps more reliable than the likes of Moore, who opposed the Graham-Cassidy health care bill.

Part of the point has to be to elect candidates who have no standards for the sake of it. Bannon may be thinking ahead to a time when the Trump sex allegations become a live issue again or when a true scandal emerges from the Robert Mueller investigation. In this scenario, will there be anyone more naturally inclined to be dismissive of the accusers or other evidence than Judge Roy Moore?

Bannon may also believe that a GOP with a highly attuned ethical sense can't truly be the party of the working class. In which case, who is the one who has contempt for the "rubes"?

From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thank you to police chiefs for service

Thursday morning, I read a Reporter-Telegram front page article referencing the outgoing police chief's opinion concerning SB 4 and the probable incoming police chief's opinion of SB 4. Be advised, incoming Chief Steve Henry and outgoing Chief Price Robinson, this 34-year citizen of Midland does not care what your thoughts are on SB 4.

Chief Robinson, I am extremely grateful for your efforts these past many years that you expended on the behalf of the citizens of Midland. Your efforts included offering your opinion as to the ramifications SB4 would have on the job you are tasked to do when it was being debated by the Legislature. Secondly, I have heard of no public comments by you concerning SB 4 after it was passed. Kudos to you on both your comments before and lack of commenting after. This appreciation has nothing to do with whether or not I agree with your opinion as I don't know how to be a police chief or a patrolman. Good luck to you in your future endeavors and thank you very much for your many long years of service.

Chief Steve Henry, I have read that Monahans is your ancestral home. There was a time, in the early 1960s, when people in Monahans and Andrews and Odessa and Midland didn't lock the doors to their homes, the richest folks in town didn't live within walled compounds, decent folks could get a chicken fried steak at 1a.m. after the Saturday night dance without looking over their shoulder, and on Sunday morning, the policeman was helping pass the offering plate up and down the pews instead of standing guard outside the church.

Today's situation is different because of the proliferation of methamphetamine, heroin, prescription opioids and the accompanying breakdown of the family. The root cause is the growth of and activity by Mexican drug gangs embedded in our cities and counties. Chief Henry, it's not much different here than Penal County, Arizona.

Welcome to Midland.

Mike Burton

Chief failed to show he could groom his successor

First, I want to welcome Mr. Steve Henry and family to our great big town of Midland, Texas. I want him to know what a great city this is. We are very proud to be called Midlanders.

This is addressed to whomever decided to go outside of their 243 people the newspaper mentioned to hire. Instead of promoting from within the department. I do not see an incentive for our great policemen to excel in their jobs if they are not promoting from within. That is so bad for morale. It is not easy to live in a boom and bust city that lives on the whims of the petroleum industry. At the edge of the desert. We are not a destination city. Whoever stays here is because they are dedicated to their jobs and this town. We have Midland College that policemen can take management courses or go to UTPB. I am not proud that they went outside to hire a police chief. The morale of officers probably is not doing too good.

Our forefathers that came in wagons to settle here would be lecturing us about owing so much money close to billion dollars more or less. Let us pay attention to what they are doing with their hiring and spending. People of Midland, let's pay attention to our fireman and our great police men. Make sure they get a fair shake. They sure didn't this time —not when the present chief feels like he has to go outside his men to be replaced. What was he doing in grooming an excellent police department that has served faithfully, toward replacement. Or does he think we do not notice, that he failed his men and our city by going outside instead of promoting from within. Midland, make sure this does not happen again.

A concerned citizen of who loves Midland, Texas and its people and those that serve our city.

Lillian Smith



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Remember: Racism cuts both ways

CHICAGO —

A few recent headlines could be filed under the category "Racism Is Bad and Wrong."

First up, a controversy in which an African-American nurse working at the Indiana University Health system posted this screed on Twitter: "Every white woman raises a detriment to society when they raise a son. Someone with the HIGHEST propensity to be a terrorist, rapist, racist, killer, and domestic violence all star. Historically every son you had should be sacrificed to the wolves B——."

She was promptly fired.

In Lake Villa, Illinois, a Hispanic detective who was in the process of conducting a theft investigation responded to a group of teen suspects who asked why they were being detained with: "Because you're white."

It was a bizarre thing to say — Lake Villa is a predominantly white outer-ring suburb of Chicago. If you watch the video (http://bit.ly/2AVUXLC), which immediately went viral, the comment came totally out of the blue, since the teens had not made any references to race or police mistreatment or anything that would seem to elicit such a response.

The detective — who apologized to the teen who filmed the video — was disciplined.

Lastly, the University Star, the student newspaper of Texas State University, recently came under fire for printing a student's guest op-ed column titled "Your DNA is an abomination."

The student, who is Hispanic, wrote, among other explosive things: "Ontologically speaking, white death will mean liberation for all. To you good-hearted liberals, apathetic nihilists and right-wing extremists: accept this death as the first step toward defining yourself as something other than the oppressor. Until then, remember this: I hate you because you shouldn't exist. You are both the dominant apparatus on the planet and the void in which all other cultures, upon meeting you, die."

The university president, Denise M. Trauth, released a statement declaring, "The column's central theme was abhorrent and is contrary to the core values of inclusion and unity that our Bobcat students, faculty, and staff hold dear. As president of a university that celebrates its inclusive culture, I detest racism in any manifestation."

The student newspaper issued its own statement in which it apologized for having "caused hurt" within the campus community.

The incident had the net effect of serving as more kindling on the fire for those who feel that (a) American colleges and universities seem to exist solely to indoctrinate students with far-left propaganda and (b) the only logical response to hatred is more, and harsher, hatred.

The pendulum is swinging back and forth at a dizzying speed, with dueling finger-pointing at others' poor behavior (as if everyone started out on equal economic, social and political footing). The result is escalating vitriol from two sides digging in their heels and increasingly acting as if racism either barely exists or overlays every human interaction in America.

But when people of color start seeing all white people as racist monsters, white people start seeing all people of color as racism accusers. When genocide terminology gets bandied about by either camp, it's pretty clear everyone needs a reminder that two wrongs don't make a right.

"Racism is racism, period," said Gustavo Arellano, author of several books about Mexican culture, former editor of OC Weekly and creator of the popular "Ask A Mexican!" column. "Some people say that people of color can't be racist because they don't come from white privilege, but they're wrong, because that denies basic humanity — none of us are perfect, we all have our own bigotries. Taking out our frustrations (over injustices towards non-whites) on white people doesn't solve anything."

Arellano told me the same thing my parents said as I was growing up: "There are bad white people, bad African-Americans, bad Hispanics, bad all kinds of people, but we can't paint everyone with one big paintbrush."

When stories circulate about white-profiling detectives of color and students who consider white people "an aberration," they have the effect of making minorities even more of a target for hatred by people who already think we don't belong.

And the same goes for white people — the vast majority cringe at the very notion that they might be envisioned by others as torch-wielding white supremacists.

Before you make any snap judgments about people, remember that racism cuts both ways, damaging relations that may yet have a chance at taking a turn for the better.

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Is anyone ever wrong anymore?



MITCH DANIELS

Special to the Washington Post

A recent whim prompted me to reread Stephen Ambrose's "To America," a collection of reflections on the historian's craft and many of the topics and individuals Ambrose wrote about during his prolific career. The book might have been titled "Second Thoughts," because virtually every chapter describes some significant issue on which the author changed his mind over the years: his estimation of presidents such as U.S. Grant, Theodore Roosevelt and Richard Nixon; Harry Truman's decision to use the atomic bomb; the "robber barons" who built the transcontinental railroad; the reality of Soviet tyranny; and several more.

In many cases Ambrose relates how he came to dispute conclusions that his university professors and advisers peddled to him in his younger years. Elsewhere, he takes issue with his own previous views. But in each instance, he explains the evolution of his thinking, and the grounds for it, without defensiveness or embarrassment.

When the book appeared, early in this century, one would not have found such admissions especially noteworthy. In 2017, they take on a more striking cast, because ours is an era when it seems no one ever confesses to being wrong. Moreover, everyone is so emphatically right that those who disagree are not merely in error but irredeemably so, candidates not for persuasion but for castigation and ostracism.

Social historians will need some time and perspective to determine exactly what led to the new closed-mindedness, but some of the causes seem plain. One is the effect of narrowcasting, in which people find the sources of information (or the sources' algorithms find them) that fortify their existing viewpoints and prejudices.

"Confirmation bias" has mutated from a hazard of academic research to a menacing political and social phenomenon.

Meanwhile, those institutions of higher learning — the adjective now almost needs quotation marks — that should cultivate and model openness to debate and refutation too often have become bastions of conformity and thought control.

John Maynard Keynes is frequently credited with the aphorism "When I find I'm wrong, I change my mind. What do you do?" Today, the problem may less be an attitude of stubbornness than that fewer people than ever recognize their mistakes in the first place.

In a well-documented fashion, steady doses of viewpoint reinforcement lead not only to a resistance to alternative positions but also to a more entrenched and passionate way in which thoughts are held and expressed. When those expressions are launched in the impersonal or even anonymous channels of today's social — or is it antisocial? — media, vitriol often becomes the currency of discourse and second thoughts a form of tribal desertion or defeat. Things people would not say face to face are all too easy to post in bouts of blogger or tweeter one-upmanship.

So honest admissions of error are more eye-catching these days. In recent years, The Post's Bob Woodward has recounted how, a quarter-century later, he had come to a very different interpretation of Gerald Ford's pardon of Richard Nixon. And how he wasn't the only one; Sen. Ted Kennedy, who excoriated Ford at the time of his decision, joined Woodward in that assessment, and conferred an award for political courage for the act they had once deemed a corrupt bargain.

A few months back, the world lost Jay Keyworth, nuclear scientist and presidential science adviser to Ronald Reagan. Keyworth had assembled the evidence to advocate an anti-ballistic- missile (ABM) system, which establishment opinion of the time relentlessly derided as "Star Wars" — a fanciful and impractical notion, and one in conflict with the then-sacred doctrine of mutual assured destruction.

Now, with one rogue nation perfecting both weapons and rocketry capable of annihilating U.S. targets, and another perhaps only years from joining it, the conversation is all about the effectiveness of our ABM system and why the heck the government hasn't made our national safety more certain. We're still waiting for that conversation to include "Thanks, Jay. You were right, and we weren't."

Ambrose wrote his book near the end of his life. In fact, it is dedicated to his cancer doctor and nurses. Maybe such honest introspection comes more readily under the imminence of the great event. But our everyday exchanges, and indeed the life of our republic, would be greatly improved by the more common utterance of those three magical little words: "I was wrong."

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Don't tune out critics who say 'What about ...'



MEGAN MCARDLE

Bloomberg

Last week, as you may have noticed, Republicans passed a tax bill. As you may also have noticed, Democrats were aghast. Passing a bill like that on straight party lines! Using a parliamentary maneuver to push through something that could never have survived a filibuster! How could Republicans be so brazen, so immoral, so fiscally irresponsible?

Those of us who remembered saying many of the same things during the passage of Obamacare had to beg them to stop. I mean, we could have been seriously hurt, laughing that hard.

But when I pointed this out, the good citizens of Twitter informed me over and over that this was mere "whataboutism."

Whataboutism is defending some indefensible action by pointing to some equally indefensible action that was supported, or at least not condemned, by your opponents. (Whataboutism is usually defined as a version of the tu quoque fallacy, attacking the questioner rather than answering the question. It's also a red herring.) After lobbing a few "What about you?" grenades, you use the resulting chaos to duck uncomfortable questions.

It is a favorite tactic of our president, whose campaign platform was "What about her emails?" Every time someone brings up the FBI investigation that is creeping closer to the highest echelons of his staff, he is fond of asking, apropos of nothing, why Hillary Clinton's not in jail.

Whataboutism is currently being deployed by defenders of Roy Moore, who correctly point out that Democrats were obsequiously tolerant of Bill Clinton's sexual misadventures, without explaining how that in any way ameliorates the charges that Moore preyed on teenagers and groped a 14-year-old.

My interlocutors are right about one thing: "What about" is a lousy defense of anything. If what Democrats did to get Obamacare passed was wrong — or at least, severely inadvisable — then it makes no sense to say "Turnabout is fair play." Major legislation shouldn't be passed like this, not least because the parliamentary maneuvers tend to produce crippled bills with major unintended consequences. And so too with Bill Clinton's sexual predation, or the Democratic defenses of same; they were awful, and no decent person should tolerate that behavior from an ally or an opponent.

"What about …" is not merely a poor rebuttal; it is not even a rebuttal. Hitler liked dogs and Ted Bundy volunteered at a suicide prevention hotline; these are not arguments against dogs or suicide prevention.

Hypocrisy shouldn't be encouraged, of course. But neither should we try to drive the hypocrites from the public square: There's no guarantee that we'll end up with more virtue; we might just end up with a lot more naked, unchecked vice. America will not become a better place if we all implicitly agree that declaring ourselves against sexual abuse, or for an orderly procedure for passing laws, is simply an empty public ritual which no longer has any meaningful content.

However. We should be as judicious in our cries of "whataboutism" as we are about shouting "What about …?"

We should not allow Republicans to deflect attention from their problems by pointing to historical abuses on the other side of the aisle. But neither should we allow Democrats to avoid a necessary reckoning with their own past by pointing the finger at Republicans and shouting "Whataboutism!" What about Roy Moore's pursuit of teenage girls? What about the Trump campaign's connections to Russia? What about the procedural insufficiencies and general fiscal recklessness of the tax bill? Yes, what about them? Aren't they awful?

But also, what about the way Democrats deflected questions about Bill Clinton's behavior until it was clear that neither Clinton would ever be running for office again? What about Barack Obama's unwise uses of executive fiat? What about the hubris and the procedural games and the general indifference to our looming entitlement crisis that characterized the passage of Obamacare? When are you going to admit that you were wrong about these things, and more importantly, when are you going to promise not to support this sort of thing in the future?

If you actually care about these things because they are bad in themselves, then you should want them to stop on your own side as much as the other. You should want to understand why you did not do enough to stop your own side's abuses in the past; you should want to do better next time. You should be prepared to meet a tu quoque not with complaints of whataboutism, but with a calm, "Yes, I was wrong, and here's how I've changed." And then get the conversation back to the topic at hand.

Which ought to be, not "Who's worse?" but "How can we make society better?" That will not be accomplished by deflecting accusations into an inquiry into the behavior of the accuser — but nor will it be accomplished by allowing flagrant hypocrisy to pass unremarked. Allowing brazen hypocrites to demand social sanction (but only for others) does not uphold important principles; it destroys them. Both sides come to view principles merely as useful weapons — and soon, they find that they are not useful even as weapons. As economist Garett Jones recently told me, "Two wrongs don't make a right … but three wrongs make a social norm." And "Do as I say, not as I do" is not a principle that any decent society should endorse.

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OU's Mayfield wins Heisman in a landslide

By Ralph D. Russo
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Oklahoma quarterback Baker Mayfield has won the Heisman Trophy, completing a climb from walk-on to one of the most accomplished players in the history of college football.

The brash, flag-planting Sooners star became the sixth Oklahoma player to the win Heisman in one of the most lopsided votes ever.

Stanford running back Bryce Love was the runner-up, making it five second-place finishes for the Cardinal since 2009. Louisville quarterback Lamar Jackson, last year's Heisman winner, was third, the best finish by a returning winner since Tim Tebow of Florida in 2008.

Mayfield received 732 first-place votes and 2,398 points. Love had 75 first-place votes and 1,300 points and Jackson received 47 and 793. Mayfield received 86 percent of the total points available, the third-highest percentage in Heisman history.

Mayfield is the third player to win the Heisman heading to the College Football Playoff. The second-ranked Sooners meet No. 3 Georgia in the Rose Bowl on Jan. 1. He is the first senior to win the award since Troy Smith of Ohio State in 2006 and the first Heisman winner to begin his career as a walk-on since athletic scholarships started in the 1950s.

"It's been a tough journey," Mayfield said during his acceptance speech. He choked back tears thanking his parents and Oklahoma coach Lincoln Riley.

Mayfield finished fourth in the Heisman voting two years ago and third last year. He entered this season as one of the favorites and jumped toward the front of the pack when he led the Sooners to an early victory at Ohio State that he celebrated by planting the OU flag in the Horseshoe turf.

He later apologized for that, but that has been Mayfield's career. Spectacular play fueled by grudges, slights and trying to prove doubters wrong. Moxie is the word that gets attached to Mayfield often, but at times poor judgment has gotten him in trouble on and off the field.

Those were really the only marks on Mayfield's Heisman resume because his play has been consistently stellar. He has thrown for 4,340 yards and 41 touchdowns

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Associated Press

Heisman Trophy finalists, from left, Louisville quarterback Lamar Jackson, Stanford running back Bryce Love and Oklahoma quarterback Baker Mayfield pose with the trophy Saturday before the final selection in New York. Mayfield won.

TALL CITY OILMAN'S INVITATIONAL

Into a winning groove

Rebels post victory over Fort Stockton

Rebels	**72**
Panthers	50

By Will Korn
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With just about a month remaining until the start of District 2-6A play, the Lee boys basketball team believes it is beginning to learn how to win.

The Rebels used an impressive second half to take control of Friday's 72-50 victory over Class 5A Fort Worth Boswell at Chaparral Center. Then on Saturday, they repeated the feat in abbreviated form to outlast Class 4A Fort Stockton, 59-49 at the Lee High School gym in both teams' finales of the Tall City Oilman's Invitational.

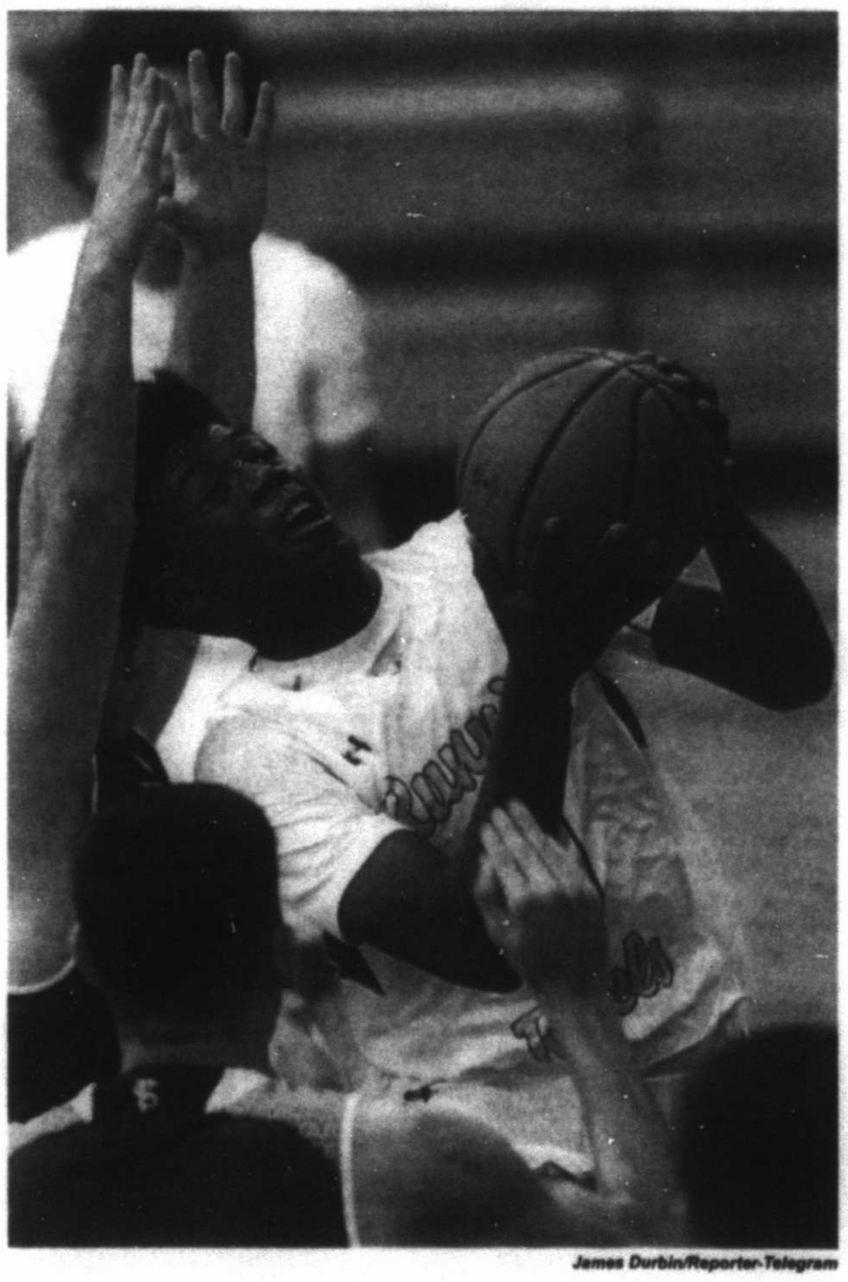
Junior guard Avery Chambers scored a game-high 22 points for the Rebels (5-8), who limited the Panthers to six points in the third quarter after leading 34-33 at halftime.

Freshman guard Zhuric Phelps added 14 points for Lee and Cevonte Eaden had 12.

Lee finished its home tournament a 3-1 mark and earned the silver bracket consolation title after topping Fort Stockton.

The Panthers, who also pushed Midland High in an 82-73 loss Friday night, impressed Lee head coach Justin Boswell with their physical play. Fort Stockton hung

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James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Jalen Harris (0) goes for a shot under the basket against Fort Stockton in the Tall City Oilman's Invitational on Saturday at Lee High School.

■ **NOTEBOOK**

MHS hangs on for Silver Bracket championship

By Will Korn and Christopher Hadorn
Associated Press

Midland High weathered a late push from Fort Worth Boswell and hung on for 59-58 win over the Pioneers on Saturday at Chaparral Center.

The Bulldogs, who went 3-1 in the tournament, captured the silver bracket championship with the victory. MHS trailed 28-25 at halftime but outscored Boswell, 19-9 in the third quarter.

Junior guard Rahkeim Petterson scored a team-high 13 points for the Bulldogs (4-7), while forward Suddin Sapien added 12 and Nathaniel Rodriguez scored 10. Tymon Livas led Boswell with a game-high 16 points.

MHS survived despite going 17 for 31 from the free-throw line in the game.

MHS next travels to Lubbock Monterey at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

BIRDVILLE SWEEPS TOURNEY TITLES

The North Richland Hills boys and girls basketball teams swept the Oilman's championship games, with the boys toppling El Paso Eastlake, 80-63, and the girls defeating Tuscola Jim Ned, 39-24.

In the boys' game, Birdville senior guard Noah Wheeless poured in a game-high 31 points on the strength of seven 3-pointers. Teammate guard Tre Hester added 10 points for the Class 5A No. 9-ranked Hawks, who led Eastlake, 37-27, at halftime and continued to grow that advantage in the second half.

Birdville (10-1) completed the tournament with a 4-0 record, which included an 89-59 victory over MHS Friday morning.

In the girls' championship, the Lady Hawks trailed Jim Ned, 6-4 after the first quarter but used a 24-9 advantage in the second and third frames to pull away. Rylie Riddle and Iyana Dorsey each scored nine points for Birdville, which knocked

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MHS holds down MCA in blowout win

By Christopher Hadorn
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The Midland Classical girls basketball team was trying to defeat its third UIL Class 6A team in the Tall City Oilman's Invitational on Saturday.

The TAPPS 3A Lady Knights appeared up for the challenge for one quarter before they ran out of gas against a fierce Midland High defense.

Lady Bulldogs	**64**
Lady Knights	28

The Lady Bulldogs surrendered just three second-half points en route to a 64-28 victory over MCA in the tournament's fifth-place game at Lee High School.

Furthermore, the Lady Knights, known for their offensive firepower, did not make one field goal after halftime.

It was a stunning turn of events after MCA (6-3) and MHS (10-8) traded baskets during a high-scoring first quarter that featured a combined 42 points. The Lady Dawgs led the Lady Knights 24-18 when the first stanza ended.

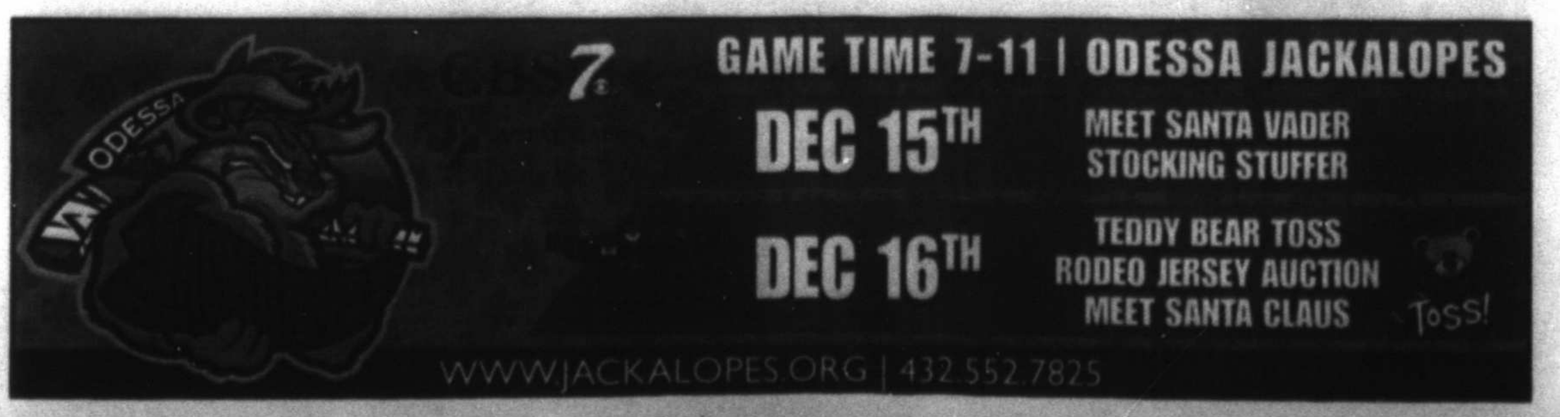
"We certainly got tired," MCA head coach Carla Canneen said. "We're short on

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James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Teleshia Defell (11) passes the ball against Midland Classical Academy in the Tall City Oilman's Invitational Friday at Lee High School.



DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

Golf
PGA: QBE Shark Shootout, Final Round, 1 p.m., NBC
Men's College Basketball
Tulane vs. Florida State, 11 a.m., ESPNU
La Salle at Villanova, Noon, FS1
Arizona State at Kansas, 1 p.m., ESPN
South Alabama at SIUE, 2 p.m., FCSA
Southern at Iowa, 4 p.m., BTN
IUPUI at Purdue, 6 p.m., BTN
Men's Soccer
PL: Southampton vs. Arsenal, 6 a.m., NBCSN
Bundesliga: 1. FC Köln vs. SC Freiburg, 6:20 a.m., FS1
PL: Liverpool FC vs. Everton FC, 8 a.m., NBCSN, TELE
PL: Manchester United FC vs. Manchester City FC, 10:30 a.m., NBCSN, TELE
Bundesliga: FC Augsburg vs. Hertha BSC Berlin ,10:50 a.m., FS2, FXDEP
Jupiler Pro: RSC Anderlecht vs. Sporting Charleroi, 11 a.m., ELVN
College Cup: Final, Noon, ESPN2
Liga NOS: Belenenses vs. Pacos Ferreira, Noon, GolTV
Uruguay: Penarol vs. Defensor Sporting, 4 p.m., GolTV
Liga MX Final, Leg 2: Monterrey vs. Tigres, 5:30 p.m., UNIV, UDN
Portugal: Vitoria Setubal vs. Porto, 6 p.m., GolTV
National Basketball Association
Dallas at Minnesota, 6 p.m., FSSW
NBA G-League
Santa Cruz at Austin, 2 p.m., NBAtv
National Football League
Minnesota at Carolina, Noon, CBS
Dallas at NY Giants, Noon, FOX
Philadelphia at LA Rams, 3:25 p.m., FOX
Baltimore at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m., NBC
National Hockey League
Edmonton at Toronto, 6 p.m., NHL
Rodeo
National Finals, 9 p.m., CBSSN
Speed Skating
ISU World Cup: Day 3, 1:30 p.m., OLYHD
Women's College Basketball
Marshall at Florida, Noon, SEC
Ohio at Purdue, 1 p.m., BTN
Texas at Tennessee, 2 p.m., ESPN2
Southeastern Louisiana at TCU, 2 p.m., FSSW, FCSC
UTEP at New Mexico State, 3 p.m., FSSW+, FCSP

RADIO
National Basketball Association
Dallas at Minnesota, 6 p.m., KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)
National Football League
Dallas at NY Giants, Noon, KQRX 95.1 FM, KBEST 95.7 FM (Big Spring), KTXC 104.7 FM (Esp)
San Francisco at Houston, Noon, KCRS 95.5 FM/97.5 FM/550 AM, KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Claimed LHP Henry Owens off waivers from Boston.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
CHICAGO BULLS — Recalled Gs Kay Felder and Zach LaVine from Windy City (NBAGL).
FOOTBALL
National Football League
CINCINNATI BENGALS — Placed CB Adam "Pacman" Jones on injured reserve. Signed CB Tony McRae from the practice squad.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ARIZONA COYOTES — Assigned G Marek Langhamer to Kometa Brno (Extraliga-Czech Republic).
American Hockey League
ROCHESTER AMERICANS — Assigned D Arvin Atwal to Cincinnati (ECHL).
TORONTO MARLIES — Recalled G Cal Heeter from Orlando (ECHL).
SAN DIEGO GULLS — Recalled D James Melindy from Utah (ECHL).
ECHL
BRAMPTON BEAST — Signed F David Vahrsinn.
KALAMAZOO WINGS — Claimed F Eric Ylitalo from Brampton.
ORLANDO SOLAR BEARS — Added G Mike MacDonald as emergency backup.
TOLEDO WALLEYE — Loaned F Tyler Barnes to Cleveland (AHL).
WHEELING NAILERS — Released G Billy Higgins as emergency backup. Added G Will King as emergency backup.
COLLEGE
TEXAS — Named Chris De Corte athletic director.

MLS PLAYOFF GLANCE

KNOCKOUT ROUND
Eastern Conference
Wednesday, Oct. 25: New York 4, Chicago 0
Thursday, Oct. 26: Columbus 0, Atlanta 0. Columbus advanced on 3-1 penalty kicks.
Western Conference
Wednesday, Oct. 25: Vancouver 5, San Jose 0
Thursday, Oct. 26: Houston 1, Sporting Kansas City 0. OT
CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
Home-and-home
First leg
Eastern Conference
Monday, Oct. 30: Toronto 2, New York 1
Tuesday, Oct. 31: Columbus 4, New York City FC 1
Western Conference
Sunday, Oct. 29: Vancouver 5, Seattle 0. tie
Monday, Oct. 30: Houston 0, Portland 0. tie
Second leg
Eastern Conference
Sunday, Nov. 5: New York 1, Toronto 0. 2-2 aggregate. Toronto advanced on 1-0 away goals.
Sunday, Nov. 5: New York City FC 2, Columbus 0. Columbus advanced on 4-3 aggregate.
Western Conference
Thursday, Nov. 2: Seattle 2, Vancouver 0. Seattle advanced on 2-0 aggregate.
Sunday, Nov. 5: Portland 1, Houston 2. Houston advanced on 2-1 aggregate.
CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS
Home-and-home
Eastern Conference
First leg
Tuesday, Nov. 21: Toronto 0, Columbus 0. tie
Second leg
Wednesday, Nov. 29: Toronto 1, Columbus 0. Toronto advanced on 1-0 aggregate.
Western Conference
First leg
Tuesday, Nov. 21: Seattle 2, Houston 0
Second leg
Thursday, Nov. 30: Seattle 3, Houston 0. Seattle advances on 5-0 aggregate.
MLS CUP
Saturday, Dec. 9: Toronto 2, Seattle 0

NHL GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	29	21	6	2	44	110	74
Toronto	30	19	10	1	39	105	88
Boston	27	14	9	4	32	78	75
Montreal	31	13	14	4	30	85	99
Detroit	29	11	13	5	27	80	97
Florida	29	11	14	4	26	68	104
Ottawa	27	9	11	7	25	77	93
Buffalo	29	7	17	5	19	62	99

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Columbus	30	19	10	1	39	86	73
Washington	30	18	11	1	37	94	88
New Jersey	29	16	9	4	36	89	91
N.Y. Islanders	29	16	10	3	35	105	99
Pittsburgh	31	16	12	3	35	93	102
N.Y. Rangers	29	16	11	2	34	98	87
Philadelphia	29	11	11	7	29	83	86
Carolina	27	11	10	6	28	76	85

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	30	20	8	2	42	101	76
Nashville	29	18	7	4	40	95	84
Winnipeg	30	17	8	5	39	102	88
Dallas	30	16	13	1	33	89	89
Minnesota	28	14	11	3	31	83	84
Chicago	29	13	11	5	31	87	81
Colorado	28	13	13	2	28	90	94

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	30	19	8	3	41	94	66
Vegas	29	19	9	1	39	103	91
San Jose	27	15	10	2	32	71	65
Calgary	29	15	12	2	32	84	92
Vancouver	29	14	11	4	32	79	81
Anaheim	30	12	11	7	31	80	89
Edmonton	29	12	15	2	26	86	99
Arizona	32	7	20	5	19	74	111

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for over time loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

Scores & Schedule

Saturday's Scores
St. Louis 6, Detroit 1
Edmonton 6, Montreal 2
Colorado 7, Florida 3
Tampa Bay 4, Winnipeg 3, OT
Columbus 1, Arizona 0
Boston 3, N.Y. Islanders 1
Toronto 4, Pittsburgh 3
N.Y. Rangers 5, New Jersey 2
Vegas 5, Dallas 3
Ottawa at San Jose, late
Vancouver at Calgary, late
Carolina at Los Angeles, late

Today's Games
Arizona at Chicago, 6 p.m.
Buffalo at St. Louis, 6 p.m.
Edmonton at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Minnesota at San Jose, 8 p.m.

Monday's Games
Colorado at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.
Dallas at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m.
Florida at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Winnipeg, 7 p.m.
Carolina at Anaheim, 9 p.m.

Tuesday's Games
Edmonton at Columbus, 6 p.m.
Ottawa at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
Toronto at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Colorado at Washington, 6 p.m.
Los Angeles at New Jersey, 6 p.m.
Calgary at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Florida at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Carolina at Vegas, 9 p.m.

GOLF GLANCE

PGA Tour

QBE SHOOTOUT SCORES
Saturday
At Tiburon Golf Club
Naples, Fla.
Purse: $3.3 million
Yardage: 7,382; Par: 72
Second Round

Shane Lowry/Graeme McDowell	62-64—126	-16
Steve Stricker/Sean O'Hair	57-69—126	-16
Brendan Steele/Keegan Bradley	58-70—128	-16
Lee Thompson/Tony Finau	63-66—129	-15
Pat Perez/Brian Harman	62-68—130	-14
Billy Horschel/Jason Dufner	61-69—130	-14
Kevin Kisner/Kevin Chappell	61-70—131	-13
Gary Woodland/Daniel Berger	61-70—131	-13
Bubba Watson/Brandt Snedeker	59-72—131	-13
Kyle Stanley/Russell Henley	63-69—132	-12
Matt Kuchar/Harris English	63-72—135	-9
Zach Johnson/Charley Hoffman	65-70—135	-9

European Tour

JOBURG OPEN LEADING SCORES
Saturday
At Randpark Golf Club
Johannesburg
I-Firethorn Course: 7,085 yards, par-72
h-Bushwillow Course: 7,114 yards, par-71
Purse: $1.2 million
Third Round
Played on Firethorn Course

Shubhankar Sharma, India	68-61h-65—195
Christofer Blomstrand, Sweden	70-68h-62—200
Erik van Rooyen, South Africa	64h-67h-70—201
James Morrison, England	64h-70-67—201
Marcus Armitage, England	68h-66-67—202
Tapio Pulkkanen, Finland	66h-64-75—202
Joachim B. Hansen, Denmark	66-67h-71—204
Steven Brown, England	68h-69-71—204
Oliver Bekker, South Africa	69h-70h-68—204
C. Bezuidenhout, South Africa	69h-68h-68—204
Ross McGowan, England	66h-72h-66—204
Charlie Ford, England	70h-64-71—205
Haydn Porteous, South Africa	68-70h-66—205
Chio Jinho, South Korea	69h-66h-70—205
Kristian Johannessen, Norway	70-65h-70—205
Daniel Greene, South Africa	70h-68-67—205
Shaun Norris, South Africa	68h-68h-69—205
Matt Wallace, England	73h-69-67—205
Hennie Otto, South Africa	70-68h-67—205
Also	
Paul Peterson, United States	70-67h-69—206
Dylan Pritsli, South Africa	70-68h-71—210
Sam Chien, United States	71h-68h-74—213
Cody Martin, United States	71h-68h-74—213

AP TOP 25 POLL

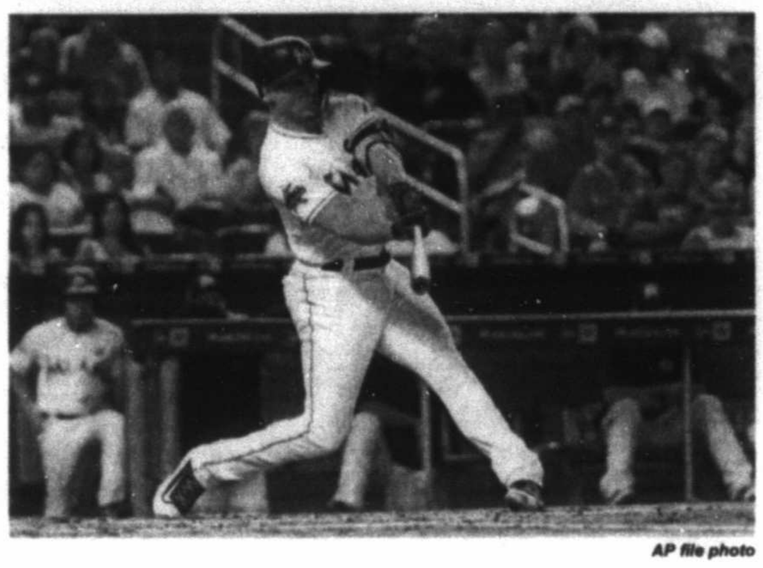
The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Dec. 5, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Clemson (43)	12-1	1595	1
2. Oklahoma (18)	12-1	1474	2
3. Georgia	12-1	1409	6
4. Alabama	11-1	1307	5
5. Ohio St.	11-0	1300	8
6. Wisconsin	12-1	1152	3
7. Auburn	10-3	1125	4
8. Southern Cal	11-2	1101	11
9. Penn St.	10-2	1008	9
10. UCF	12-0	983	12
11. Miami	10-2	948	7
12. Washington	10-2	820	13
13. TCU	10-3	816	10
14. Notre Dame	9-3	632	15
15. Stanford	9-4	629	14
16. LSU	9-3	599	17
17. Oklahoma St.	9-3	549	18
18. Michigan St.	9-3	487	19
19. Memphis	10-2	475	16
20. Northwestern	9-3	398	20
21. Washington St.	9-3	342	21
22. Virginia Tech	9-3	323	22
23. South Florida	9-2	115	23
24. Mississippi St.	8-4	103	24
25. Boise St.	10-3	99	—

Others receiving votes: NC State 54, San Diego St. 40, Toledo 25, Louisville 11, FIU 8, Michigan 8, Fresno St. 6, Missouri 3, Troy 1, Kansas St. 1.

Yankees set to reel in MVP Stanton

By Ronald Blum and Steven Wine
Associated Press



AP file photo

Miami Marlins' Giancarlo Stanton hits a home run June 23 in the third inning of a baseball game against the Chicago Cubs in Miami. A person familiar with the negotiations says the New York Yankees and Miami Marlins are working on a trade that would send slugger Giancarlo Stanton to New York and infielder Starlin Castro to Miami.

MIAMI — After helping the New York Yankees to five World Series titles, Derek Jeter might help them win another.

The Yankees and Jeter's Miami Marlins have agreed to a trade that would send NL MVP Giancarlo Stanton to New York, pending a physical, a person familiar with the negotiations said Saturday. The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the teams hadn't announced the agreement.

Second baseman Starlin Castro would go to Miami as part of the trade, a second person familiar with the negotiations said. A third person said the Marlins would also receive prospects Jorge Guzman, a right-hander, and Jose Devers, an infielder who is a cousin of Boston prospect Rafael Devers.

The third person said the deal calls for the Marlins to send $30 million to the Yankees if Stanton doesn't exercise his right to opt out of his contract and become a free agent after the 2020 season.

Stanton has a no-trade clause in his record $325 million, 13-year contract and has indicated he will approve the trade, one of the people said. St. Louis and San Francisco said Friday that Stanton had vetoed deals to them.

As for the physical, injuries curtailed Stanton's season in four of the past six years, but he played a career-high 159 games in 2017 and led the majors with 59 homers and 132 RBIs.

If the Yankees complete the trade with Jeter, their former captain and the new Marlins CEO, the Bronx Bombers would pair Stanton with Aaron Judge, who led the AL with 52 in his rookie season. That would give them a one-two punch to rival Ruth-Gehrig or Mantle-Maris, making for must-see batting practice.

Judge sent a tweet to Stanton showing a clip from the movie "Step Brothers" with Will Ferrell saying, "Did we just become best friends?"

Obtaining the 28-year-old Stanton would be reminiscent of the Yankees' acquisition of AL MVP Alex Rodriguez from Texas after the 2003 season for second baseman Alfonso Soriano. Rodriguez signed a $275 million, 10-year contract after the 2007 season that ran through age 42; Stanton's deal runs through age 38.

An eight-year veteran with 267 home runs, Stanton has never played on a winning team and might now go to a club that hasn't had a losing record since 1992. The Yankees reached Game 7 of the AL Championship Series this season.



Associated Press

Vegas Golden Knights defenseman Brayden McNabb (3) controls the puck in front of Dallas Stars' Jason Spezza (90) in the third period Saturday in Dallas.

Golden Knights get 3 quick goals in 2nd to beat Stars

Associated Press

Golden Knights	**5**
Stars	**3**

DALLAS — David Perron, Reilly Smith and Brayden McNabb scored in a span of 3:37 during the second period, and the Vegas Golden Knights held off the Dallas Stars 5-3 on Saturday night for their fourth straight victory.

Dallas has lost three in a row following a five-game winning streak.

Perron's power-play goal at 4:58 broke a 1-all tie and McNabb scored at 8:35 for a 4-2 lead. Alex Tuch had the Golden Knights' first goal in the first period, and Erik Haula scored into an empty net with 42 seconds left.

Maxime Lagace made 35 saves for Vegas. He allowed goals by Tyler Pitlick in the first period, Jason Spezza in the second and Jamie Benn in the third.

After Benn's goal, Lagace held Dallas scoreless for the final 15:43, including a two-minute power play and nearly two minutes after Stars goalie Ben Bishop was pulled for an extra skater.

Bishop stopped 33 shots.

Tuch scored at 12:13 of the first after Brendan Leipsic and Cody Eakin dug out a loose puck behind the net. It went to Tuch at the right side for a wrist shot.

Pitlick tied the game at 14:28 by repeatedly digging at the puck and knocking it in from under Lagace.

The Stars outshot Vegas 15-14 in the first. Dallas had two other good scoring chances, but Alexander Radulov whiffed with the puck in front of the net, and Esa Lindell deflected a centering pass wide. The Stars also couldn't take advantage of 2:54 on the power play.

The second period featured three goals in 1:23. Perron scored from the inside edge of the right faceoff circle, Spezza tied the game with a one-timer from high in the slot and Smith gave the Golden Knights a 3-2 lead with a short-range backhand at 6:11.

Vegas wasn't finished. McNabb sent a wrist shot in off the crossbar from high in the left circle at 8:35. The Golden Knights outshot Dallas 14-8 in the second.

NOTES: Vegas won the season series 2-1. ... Dallas LW Antoine Roussel returned after missing four games because of illness. ... The Stars were 0 for 3 on the power play, dropping to 2 for 42 over the last 13 games. ... The Golden Knights were 1 for 2 on the power play after going 1 for 18 in their previous six games. ... Benn's goal ended a nine-game drought, his longest since October and November 2016.

UP NEXT

Golden Knights: Begin a five-game homestand Tuesday against Carolina.

Stars: Open a four-game East Coast trip Monday against the New York Rangers.

Jackalopes notch road win

Jackalopes	**7**
Roadrunners	1

From staff reports

TOPEKA, Kan. — The Odessa Jackalopes dominated Topeka for a 7-1 victory Saturday night.

The Jacks, which defeated the Roadrunners 4-2 on Friday night, were 3 of 5 on power play opportunities and outshot Topeka 39-30.

Matt Brown had a hat trick of three goals with an assist, Ricky Caballo had two goals and an assist, while Zach Heintz and Evan Somoza each added a goal for Odessa, which had a 3-0 lead before Topeka scored its only goal midway through the second period.

Brett Epp was in goal for the Jacks and saved 29 of 30 shots.

The Jacks and Roadrunners play again at 5:05 p.m. today before Odessa returns to the Ector County Coliseum on Friday to play the first of two games against Corpus Christi.

HS FOOTBALL GLANCE

SATURDAY
Class 6A Division I
State Quarterfinal
Allen 41, Euless Trinity 20
Katy 31, Galena Park North Shore 3
Lake Travis 38, SA Northside O'Connor 17
Round Rock Cedar Ridge 30, Pflugerville Hendrickson 2
Class 6A Division II
State Quarterfinal
Austin Westlake 28, Cibolo Steele 14
Hewitt Midway 42, SouthLake Carroll 28
Cypress Fairbanks 31, Houston Langham Creek 14
Longview 33, Lufkin 32
Class 5A Division I
State Quarterfinal
Denton Ryan 69, Lubbock Coronado 49
Class 5A Division II
State Quarterfinal
Aledo 43, N. Richland Hills 7
Austin McCallum 20, CC Calallen 7
College Station 49, Fort Bend Marshall 47
Mansfield Legacy 24, Frisco Lone Star 20
Class 3A Division I
State Quarterfinal
Yoakum 40, Goliad 7
Class 1A Six-Man Division I
State Semifinals
Borden County 70, Happy 38
Jonesboro 83, Trega 56
TAPPS I
Championship
Plano Prestonwood 42, Houston St. Pius X 41
TAPPS IV
(Championship)
Colleyville Covenant 14, Magnolia Legacy 0

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UPCOMING EVENTS
12/07 6:30-8:30 Microchip Clinic at Beer Garden's Yappy Hour
12/09 12-10 Hang 'Em High Art Co. Tattoo Fundraiser, Odessa
12/31 Toasting for Tails New Year's Eve Party at DoubleTree
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HSBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Boys

GREENWOOD 54 MAYPEARL 52

GLEN ROSE — Ryan Snodgrass hit the game-winning shot at the buzzer to lift Greenwood to a win over Maypearl in the championship of the Glen Rose Tournament.

Logan Jarvis had a game-high 19 points for the Rangers (7-7), who went 5-0 in their bracket. Snodgrass finished with 13.

GREENWOOD 54, MAYPEARL 52

Maypearl — Massey 10, Brigman 1, Petty 4, McManus 32, Catley 3, Wiggins 2

Greenwood (7-7) — Brody Ray 3, Max Montes 6, Ryan Snodgrass 13, Omarion Jameson 3, Logan Jarvis 19, Bram Matthes 5

Maypearl	17	9	14	12 —52
Greenwood	8	10	14	20 —54

Free throws — Maypearl 7-8, GHS 9-17

3-point goals — Maypearl 7 (McManus 6, Catley), GHS 1 (Ray). Total fouls —Maypearl 15, GHS 16. Fouled out — Wiggins.

Next: Greenwood at Big Spring, 7:30 p.m.

RANKIN 43 GARDEN CITY 32

GARDEN CITY — Rankin defeated Garden City for third place of the Garden City Tournament on Saturday.

Markus Black led Rankin with 14 points and Titan Kamren Shelton added 11.

Parker Koenning had nine points for the Bearkats.

Grady defeated Buena Vista, 66-58, for the championship of the tournament.

RANKIN 43, GARDEN CITY 32

Rankin — Cody Wyatt 6, Markus Black 14, Titan Quigg 6, Kamren Shelton 11, Justin Gaddis 2, Dalon Owen 1

Garden City — Parker Koenning 9, Scott Miller 6, Cesar Chavez 4, Dakota Roberts 2, Shay Miller 4, Amando Alegria 4, John Michael Alegria 2

Rankin	9	8	13	13 —43
Garden City	7	3	8	12 —32

Free throws — Rankin 13-17, GCHS 1-3. 3-point goals — Rankin 5 (Shelton 3, Quigg 2), GCHS 2 (Koenning, Scott Miller). Total fouls — Rankin 7, GCHS 11. Fouled out — None.

GYM BICE CLASSIC

Thursday-Saturday
Andrews
Mustang Arena
Thursday

Brownfield 53, Snyder 50, OT
Andrews 75, Shallowater 50
Snyder 53, Kermit v29
Shallowater 71, Lamesa 58
Andrews 76, Odessa Permian JV 75
Friday
Andrews 80, Kermit 54
Permian JV 65, Snyder 62 2OT
Lamesa 83, Kermit 47
Shallowater 59, Brownfield 56
Andrews 74, Lamesa 60
Saturday
Lamesa 80, Permian JV 77
Shallowater 63, Kermit 45
Snyder 55, Lamesa 50
Brownfield 76, Kermit 39
Andrews 60, Snyder 54

Girls

FORT STOCKTON 51 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 44

CRANE — A strong start by Fort Stockton helped the Prowlers defeat Midland Christian in the championship game of the Crane Tournament.

Blaire Neatherlin had a game-high 24 points to lead Midland Christian (9-4).

FORT STOCKTON 51, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 44

Fort Stockton — D. Rodriguez 11, Porras 2, Garcia 3, Sanchez 4, Allen 4, Crenshaw 6, Salmon 5, Motta 16

Midland Christian (9-4) — Makenzie Fryar 5, Faith Truex 6, Lynette Tescorn 4, Lexi Davila 3, Tate Myers 3, Blaire Neatherlin 24

Fort Stockton	10	18	8	15 —51
Midland Christian	7	10	10	18 —44

Free throws — FSHS 14-18, MCS 16-25. 3-point goals — FSHS 2 (Rodriguez, Motta). Total fouls — FSHS 21, MCS 17. Fouled out — None.

Next: Midland Christian at Brownfield, 6 p.m. Tuesday

ANDREWS 48 PERMIAN 40

ANDREWS — Alivia Mayfield had a game-high 20 points to help Andrews to a victory over Odessa Permian in the third place game of the Kristin Corbin Classic.

Rae Johnson added 17 for the Lady Mustangs.

ANDREWS 58, ODESSA PERMIAN 40

Permian — Tullos 5, Gadison 1, Reyes 2, Cruz 12, Arizmendez 6, Garner 14

Andrews — Macee Mack 2, Rae Johnson 17, Laura Martinez 2, Savanna Infante 7, Alivia Mayfield 20

Permian	8	11	9	12 —40
Andrews	12	6	8	22 —48

Free throws — Permian 16-20, Andrews 11-17. 3-point goals — None. Total fouls — Permian 20, Andrews 12. Fouled out — Garner.

KRISTEN CORBIN CLASSIC

THURSDAY-SATURDAY
Andrews
Thursday
Bracket Play

Odessa Permian 62, Lamesa 52
Shallowater 63, Big Spring 28
Klondike 41, Odessa High 29
Andrews 68, Kermit 28
Friday
Winner's Bracket
Shallowater 55, Permian 24
Klondike 59, Andrews 28
Consolation Bracket
Lamesa 50, Big Spring 41
Odessa High 66, Kermit 24
Saturday
Winner's Bracket
Championship, Shallowater 49, Klondike 36
3rd place game, Andrews 48, Permian 40
Consolation bracket
Championship, Lamesa 53, Odessa High 52
5th place game, Big Spring 63, Kermit 59

NBAROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

SPURS 104 SUNS 101

PHOENIX — Bryn Forbes sank a 3-pointer with 21.5 seconds to play and severely depleted San Antonio held off a fourth-quarter Phoenix rally.

The Spurs left Pau Gasol and Manu Ginobili home to rest after a victory over against Boston on Friday night and had Danny Green (left groin tightness) and Kyle Anderson (left MCL sprain) out with injuries.

Still, they led by as many as 19 points in the third quarter before the Suns came back to take their first lead of the night, 100-99, on Marquese Chriss' breakaway dunk with 1:32 to go.

Patty Mills and LaMarcus Aldridge scored 20 apiece for San Antonio in its fourth straight win and eighth in nine games. Mike James scored 25 points, and T.J. Warren had 24 for the Suns, who fell to 0-2 since losing Devin Booker to a left adductor strain that is expected to sideline him two to three weeks.

CAVALIERS 105 76ERS 98

CLEVELAND — LeBron James had his 58th career triple-double and the Cleveland Cavaliers rallied in the fourth quarter to beat the Philadelphia 76ers 105-98 on Saturday night.

James had 30 points, 13 rebounds and 13 assists to help the Cavaliers bounce back from a loss in Indiana on Friday night that ended their 13-game winning streak.

THUNDER 102 GRIZZLIES 101, OT

NBA Glance

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	22	5	.815	—
Toronto	16	7	.696	4
Philadelphia	13	12	.520	8
New York	12	13	.480	9
Brooklyn	10	15	.400	11

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	14	12	.538	—
Miami	12	13	.480	1½
Orlando	11	17	.393	4
Charlotte	9	16	.360	4½
Atlanta	6	19	.240	7½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	19	8	.704	—
Milwaukee	15	10	.600	3
Indiana	15	11	.577	3½
Detroit	14	11	.560	4
Chicago	5	20	.200	13

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	19	4	.826	—
San Antonio	19	8	.704	2
New Orleans	13	13	.500	7½
Memphis	8	18	.308	12½
Dallas	7	19	.269	13½

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	15	11	.577	—
Denver	14	11	.560	½
Portland	13	11	.542	1
Utah	13	14	.481	2½
Oklahoma City	12	13	.480	2½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	21	6	.778	—
L.A. Lakers	10	15	.400	10
L.A. Clippers	9	15	.375	10½
Sacramento	6	17	.320	12
Phoenix	9	19	.321	12½

Scores & Schedule

Saturday's Scores

L.A. Clippers 113, Washington 112
Miami 101, Brooklyn 89
L.A. Lakers 110, Charlotte 99
Atlanta 117, Orlando 110
Chicago 104, New York 102
Cleveland 105, Philadelphia 98
Milwaukee 117, Utah 100
Oklahoma City 102, Memphis 101, OT
San Antonio 104, Phoenix 101
Houston at Portland, late

Today's Games

Toronto at Sacramento, 2:30 p.m.
Boston at Detroit, 3 p.m.
Denver at Indiana, 4 p.m.
Dallas at Minnesota, 6 p.m.
Philadelphia at New Orleans, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at New York, 6:30 p.m.

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Russell Westbrook overcame a poor shooting night, recording a triple-double, including two clinching free throws with 5.2 seconds left in overtime to lead Oklahoma City past Memphis.

Westbrook, who was 7 of 29 from the field and missed 11 of his 12 3-point attempts, added 14 assists and 11 rebounds. Carmelo Anthony and Steven Adams led the Thunder with 21 points and nine rebounds each, while Alex Abrines, starting for the injured Paul George, had a career-high 20 points, converting five 3-pointers, also a career-best.

HEAT 101 NETS 89

MEXICO CITY — Goran Dragic and Tyler Johnson each scored 20 points and Miami beat Brooklyn in the Heat's first game in Mexico in franchise history.

Playing in front of 19,777 fans at raucous Arena Ciudad de Mexico, Dragic was 9 of 19 from the field and had seven rebounds for Miami. The Heat snapped a two-game losing streak to improve to 12-13.

LAKERS 110 HORNETS 99

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Jordan Clarkson scored 14 of his 22 points in the fourth quarter and Los Angeles BEAT fatigued and short-handed Charlotte.

Brandon Ingram added 18 points, Kentavious Caldwell-Pope 15 and Lonzo Ball had five points and nine assists for the Lakers. They have won two straight after losing five in a row

CLIPPERS 113 WIZARDS 112

LOS ANGELES — Lou Williams hit a go-ahead 3-pointer with 1.2 seconds remaining, lifting Los Angeles past Washington.

With Bradley Beal guarding him, Williams unleashed the winner from the top of the key, capping a wild final 12 seconds in which both teams traded leads on clutch plays.

After Williams' basket, there was a video review of Beal's potential winning baseline jumper. The referees decided to replay the last 1.1 seconds. Marcin Gortat's jumper bounced off the rim at the buzzer

BULLS 104 KNICKS 102

CHICAGO — Kris Dunn made two free throws with 2.9 seconds left to lift Chicago past New York..

Dunn was fouled by Courtney Lee while driving to the basket.

Following a timeout, the Knicks — who scored 10 straight points to tie it at 102 — had a chance to tie or take the lead, but Kristaps Porzingis missed a 3-pointer at the buzzer.

BUCKS 111 JAZZ 100

MILWAUKEE — Giannis Antetokounmpo had 37 points, 13 rebounds and seven assists and Milwaukee beat Utah for its third consecutive victory.

Antetokounmpo scored 24 points in the second half. Khris Middleton and Eric Bledsoe each added 20 points. Rudy Gobert and Alec Burks each had 20 points for Utah.

HAWKS 117 MAGIC 110

ATLANTA — Ersan Ilyasova scored 26 points on 9-for-9 shooting and Atlanta overcame Nikola Vucevic's triple-double to beat Orlando.

Vucevic had 31 points, 13 rebounds and 10 assists, and Jonathan Simmons added a career-high 29 points for the Magic. They beat the Hawks 110-106 in overtime Wednesday night in Orlando.

Kent Bazemore scored six late points for Atlanta, with two baskets coming on dunks following steals.

TEXASCOLLEGEBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Men

NO. 7 TEXAS A&M 75 PRAIRIE VIEW A&M 53

COLLEGE STATION — Junior guard Admon Gilder scored 14 points and No. 7 Texas A&M overcame a sluggish start to defeat Prairie View A&M 73-53 on Saturday.

The Aggies (8-1) led 44-40 5 minutes into the second half before scoring the next 18 points over a 7-minute span to put away the game against the outmanned Panthers (2-7).

A&M forward Robert Williams far outpaced everyone else on the court with 16 rebounds, which tied a career-high in his two seasons at A&M. On the downside for the Aggies Williams also had a game-high five turnovers, and the Aggies had seven more miscues (17-10) than the Panthers.

Zachary Hamilton led the Panthers with a game-high 18 points and Gary Blackston followed with 17.

Both teams were bad from long range, as the Aggies made 5 of 18 3-point attempts (28 percent) and the Panthers made 3 of 15 (20 percent).

NO. 23 BAYLOR 105 RANDALL 82

FORT HOOD — Nuni Omot scored 30 points while Jo Lual-Acuil and freshman Tristan Clark notched double-doubles, leading No. 23 Baylor over Randall 105-82 in the Bears' return to Fort Hood on Saturday night.

Lual-Acuil had 19 points and 16 rebounds, Clark added 16 points and 11 boards and King McClure scored 23 for the Bears (7-2), who had lost two straight games. It was the third straight year Baylor had played at the sprawling Army post about an hour from the Waco campus.

Trey Sneed scored 29 points and Xavior Hunter added 23 for Randall (5-9), a small Oklahoma school in the National Christian College Athletic Association.

Randall was within seven points late in the first half after Hunter drove for a layup and Brad Ficken hit a 3-pointer for a 41-34 deficit. Baylor had two 3s to help push the lead back to 49-34 at halftime.

Omot was 6 of 8 from 3-point range and 12 of 17 overall as the Bears shot 57 percent from the field. Clark made seven of eight shots. Jake Lindsey scored 12 points, putting all five Baylor starters in double figures.

The Saints were within eight with 13 minutes left when McClure hit a 3-pointer to start a 14-2 run for a 79-59 lead. McClure had a layup to finish the run.

Tyson Jolly missed all five of his shots but led Baylor with 10 assists.

Women

NO. 21 TEXAS A&M 72 CENTRAL ARKANSAS 61

COLLEGE STATION — Khaalia Hillsman scored half of her 26 points in the fourth quarter, Anriel Howard tied the Texas A&M record for career double-doubles and the No. 21 Aggies pulled away from Central Arkansas for a 72-61 win on Saturday.

Howard had 20 points and 10 rebounds to tie Daniel Gant and Kelsey Bone with 19 double-doubles, one ahead of Hillsman. Hillsman, who was 10-of-14 shooting and grabbed six rebounds, had three blocks to move into a tie with Gant for sixth on the Aggie list with 107.

A&M (8-2) opened the fourth quarter with a 49-46 lead but the Sugar Bears (5-3) got 3-pointers from Antonija Bozic and Angel Williams on their first two possessions to close within 54-52. It was still a four-point game after Taylor Sells had back-to-back baskets for Central Arkansas. Then Hillsman had six-points in an 8-0 run while the Sugar Bears were missing six-straight shots to decide the game.

Taylor Baudoin had 18 points and Sells 15 for the Sugar Bears, whose other two losses were to Top 15 teams Baylor and Tennessee.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL GLANCE

Men

SATURDAY'S SCORES
SOUTHWEST

Abilene Christian 72, Texas St. 68
Arkansas 95, Minnesota 79
Baylor 106, Randall 82
Florida Gulf Coast 85, Texas-Arlington 78
Lamar 112, Howard Payne 56
North Texas 85, McNeese St. 47
Oklahoma 79, South Florida 74
Stephen F. Austin 81, Rice 62
TCU 84, Nevada 80
Texas A&M 73, Prairie View 53
Texas Southern 56, Northwestern St. 43
Wichita St. 78, Oklahoma St. 66
FAR WEST
Boise St. 77, Sacramento St. 54
Denver 84, SC-Upstate 69
Idaho St. 84, Hawaii 62
UC Davis 74, Saint Mary's (Cal) 50
UC Santa Barbara 91, Montana St. 69
Weber St. 62, Air Force 52
SOUTH
Alice Lloyd 92, Brescia 87, OT
Auburn 85, UAB 80
Belhaven 93, Midway 49
Brevard 68, Berea 62, OT
Carson-Newman 109, Coker 86
Clemson 81, Samford 59
Florida 68, Cincinnati 60
Freed-Hardeman 80, Bethel (Tenn.) 79
Furman 101, SC State 72
George Mason 77, NC Central 65
Georgia Southern 102, Savannah St. 91
Georgia St. 71, Montana 66
Howard 72, St. Francis Brooklyn 69
IU Southeast 81, Kentucky St. 60
Jacksonville 88, Florida National 51
Jacksonville St. 75, Louisiana-Monroe 56
Kentucky 93, Monmouth (NJ) 76
Louisiana Tech 91, Jackson St. 62
Louisville 71, Indiana 62
Maryland 82, Gardner-Webb 60
Maryville (Tenn.) 90, Piedmont 77
Memphis 90, Bryant 72
Mercer 82, Florida A&M 64
Mississippi 66, South Alabama 59
Mississippi St. 95, North Georgia 62
NC State 88, UMKC 69
Old Dominion 89, Bowling Green 46
Radford 76, Erskine 49
Rose-Hulman 81, Transylvania 75
South Carolina 80, Coastal Carolina 78
Tenn. Wesleyan 78, St. Andrews 75
Tennessee 81, Lipscomb 71
Thomas More 81, Chatham 58
Troy 130, Montevallo 50
UCF 76, Southern U. 60
VMI 81, Longwood 70
W. Illinois 81, Austin Peay 68
Westminster (Mo.) 87, Spalding 64
Wofford 104, Johnson & Wales (NC) 45
MIDWEST
Adrian 86, Wis. Lutheran 73
Ashland 86, Davenport 65
Augsburg 79, Loras 78
Augustana (SD) 77, Mary 62
Aurora 90, Lakeland 76
Ball St. 71, Valparaiso 70
Bemidji St. 82, Minn. St.-Moorhead 81
Bethany Lutheran 85, St. Scholastica 62
Bethel (Minn.) 81, St. Mary's (Minn.) 60
Butler 96, Youngstown St. 67
Carleton 101, Macalester 76
Cent. Michigan 74, Tennessee Tech 69
Concordia (Wis.) 72, Dominican (Ill.) 61
Cornerstone 74, Madonna 67
Creighton 75, Nebraska 66
DePaul 65, UIC 59
Drake 93, Omaha 79
E. Michigan 88, Central St. (Ohio) 85
Edgewood 93, Marian (Wis.) 60
Evansville 65, Canisius 58
Ferris St. 81, Saginaw Valley St. 45
Gustavus 65, Hamline 59
Indiana St. 79, Indianapolis 75
Iowa 85, Ark.-Pine Bluff 45
Kalamazoo 86, Case Western 64
Lake Superior St. 82, Northwood (Mich.) 76
Loyola of Chicago 80, Norfolk St. 52
Luther 99, Crown (Minn.) 98
Marquette 82, Wisconsin 63
Martin Luther 72, Northland 67
Miami (Ohio) 81, Fort Wayne 73
Michigan 78, UCLA 69, OT
Michigan St. 88, S. Utah 63
Michigan-Dearborn 80, Concordia (Mich.) 77, OT
Milwaukee Engineering 84, Rockford 60
Minn. St.-Mankato 86, Upper Iowa 85
Minn.-Morris 81, Wis.-Superior 72
Minot St. 69, Wayne (Neb.) 68
Murray St. 78, Illinois St. 72
N. Illinois 81, CCSU 55
N. Michigan 71, Grand Valley St. 68
North Dakota 79, N. Dakota St. 68
Northern St. (SD) 76, Minn.-Crookston 64
Northwestern (Minn.) 70, North Central (Minn.) 58
Oakland 82, Chicago St. 50
Ohio St. 97, William & Mary 62
Penn 79, Dayton 70
SW Minnesota St. 82, St. Cloud St. 59
Siena Heights 78, Lawrence Tech 58
Sioux Falls 91, Minn. Duluth 66
South Dakota 66, CS Bakersfield 50
Spring Arbor 71, Albion 56
St. John's (Minn.) 72, St. Olaf 46
St. Norbert 81, Cornell (Iowa) 51
Toledo 65, Cleveland St. 56
W. Michigan 87, Detroit 79
Wayne (Mich.) 58, Tiffin 54
Winona St. 77, Concordia (St.P) 59
Wis.-Oshkosh 79, Calvin 74
Wis.-Parkside 103, Robert Morris-Peoria 57
Wis.-River Falls 71, St. Thomas (Minn.) 57
Wis.-Stevens Pt. 91, Hope 77
Wright St. 63, Kent St. 54
Xavier 96, Colorado 69
EAST
Albany (NY) 74, Siena 69
Binghamton 77, Loyola (Md.) 64
Boston College 89, Duke 84
Brown 89, Mass.-Lowell 75
Buffalo 86, Canisius 54
Duquesne 97, Delaware St. 48
Fordham 78, Iona 48
Georgetown 83, NC A&T 74
Hofstra 88, Rider 82
Lehigh 75, Mount St. Mary's 60
Maine 64, Dartmouth 51
New Hampshire 68, Manhattan 55
Northeastern 71, Vermont 67
Notre Dame 92, Delaware 69
Penn St. 74, George Washington 54
Pittsburgh 74, UNC Wilmington 55
Princeton 80, Quinnipiac 46
Rutgers 92, Fairleigh Dickinson 54
Sacred Heart 62, Lafayette 50
Seton Hall 90, VCU 67
St. Bonaventure 75, Yale 67
St. John's 81, James Madison 64
Stetson 79, Marist 76
Syracuse 72, Colgate 58
Temple 81, Saint Joseph's 79
Towson 78, UMBC 65
UConn 72, Coppin St. 59
UMass 72, Providence 63

HOW THE TOP 25 FARED
Saturday

1. Duke (11-1) lost to Boston College 89-84. Next: vs. Evansville, Wednesday, Dec. 20.
2. Kansas (7-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 16 Arizona State, Sunday.
3. Michigan State (9-1) beat Southern Utah 88-63. Next: vs. Oakland, Saturday.
4. Villanova (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. La Salle, Sunday.
5. Florida (6-1) beat No. 17 Cincinnati 88-60. Next: vs. Clemson, Saturday.
6. Wichita State (6-1) beat Oklahoma State 79-66. Next: vs. Oklahoma, Saturday.
7. Texas A&M (8-1) beat Prairie View A&M 73-53. Next: vs. Savannah State, Wednesday.
8. Kentucky (8-1) beat Monmouth (N.J.) 93-76. Next: vs. Virginia Tech, Saturday.
9. Notre Dame (8-2) beat Delaware 92-68. Next: vs. Indiana, Saturday.
10. Miami (8-0) did not play. Next: at George Washington, Saturday.
11. North Carolina (9-1) did not play. Next: at No. 24 Tennessee, Sunday, Dec. 17.
12. Gonzaga (7-2) did not play. Next: at Washington, Sunday.
13. Xavier (9-1) beat Colorado 96-69. Next: vs. ETSU, Saturday.
14. Minnesota (8-3) lost to Arkansas 95-79. Next: vs. Drake, Monday.
15. Virginia (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. Davidson, Saturday.
16. Arizona State (8-0) did not play. Next: at No. 2 Kansas, Sunday.
17. Cincinnati (7-2) lost to No. 5 Florida 88-60. Next: vs. Mississippi State, Tuesday.
18. West Virginia (9-1) beat Pittsburgh 69-60. Next: vs. Coppin State, Wednesday, Dec. 20.
19. Seton Hall (8-1) beat VCU 90-67. Next: vs. Saint Peter's, Tuesday.
20. TCU (10-0) did not play. Next: vs. Texas Southern, Monday, Dec. 18.
21. Purdue (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. IUPUI, Sunday.
22. Nevada (8-2) did not play. Next: vs. Radford, Sunday, Dec. 17.
23. Baylor (7-2) beat Randall 105-82. Next: vs. Texas Southern, Thursday.
24. Tennessee (7-1) beat Lipscomb 81-71. Next: vs. No. 11 North Carolina, Sunday, Dec. 17.
25. Southern Cal (4-3) did not play. Next: vs. Santa Clara, Thursday.

TODAY'S GAMES
SOUTHWEST

Missouri St. at Oral Roberts, 3 p.m.
FAR WEST
Illinois vs. UNLV at Las Vegas, Nev., 11 p.m.
Hawaii Hilo at Hawaii, 11 a.m.
Oklahoma Panhandle State at N. Colorado, 6 p.m.
Gonzaga at Washington, 7 p.m.
SOUTH
Tulane vs. Florida St. at Tampa, Fla., 11 a.m.
Webber International at FAU, 11 a.m.
Charlotte at Chattanooga, noon
North Greenville at Col. of Charleston, 1 p.m.
James Madison at Richmond, 1 p.m.
Toccoa Falls at High Point, 1 p.m.
Hawaii Pacific at ETSU, 1 p.m.
Troy at Southern Miss., 2 p.m.
Cincinnati Clermont at UT Martin, 2 p.m.
Md.-Eastern Shore at Virginia Tech, 2 p.m.
Milligan at UNC-Asheville, 2:30 p.m.
UNC-Wilmington at LSU, 4 p.m.
E. Kentucky at N. Kentucky, 5 p.m.
MIDWEST
Arizona St. at Kansas, 1 p.m.
Notre Dame College at Cleveland St., 1 p.m.
E. Washington at South Dakota, 1 p.m.
W. Kentucky at Ohio, 1 p.m.
South Alabama at SIU-Edwardsville, 2 p.m.
Dubuque at N. Iowa, 4 p.m.
Southern U. at Iowa, 4 p.m.
Alcorn St. at Iowa St., 5 p.m.
IUPUI at Purdue, 6 p.m.
EAST
La Salle at Villanova, noon
Navy at Columbia, 1 p.m.
St. Francis (Pa.) at Niagara, 1 p.m.
Drexel at Robert Morris, 1 p.m.
Maine at Machias at Maine, 1 p.m.
Fairfield at LIU Brooklyn, 2:30 p.m.
Mercy at Wagner, 3 p.m.

Women

SATURDAY'S SCORES
SOUTHWEST

Abilene Christian 88, Howard Payne 46
Florida Gulf Coast 85, Texas-Arlington 78
North Texas 70, La Salle 44
Oklahoma 79, South Florida 74
Rice 60, Incarnate Word 43
TCU 84, Nevada 80
Texas A&M 72, Cent. Arkansas 61
Texas Southern 56, Northwestern St. 43
FAR WEST
BYU 77, Utah 68
Boise St. 77, Sacramento St. 54
CS Northridge 75, Loyola Marymount 68
Cal Poly 89, N. Arizona 73
Idaho St. 84, Hawaii 62
Oregon 98, S. Utah 58
UC Davis 74, Saint Mary's (Cal) 50
UC Santa Barbara 91, Montana St. 69
UNLV 52, Gonzaga 50
Utah Valley 61, Utah St. 43
Weber St. 62, Air Force 52
Wyoming 70, Idaho 64
SOUTH
Alice Lloyd 76, Brescia 60
Aquinas 65, Alma 59
Barton 76, Emmanuel (Ga.) 50
Bethel (Tenn.) 65, Freed-Hardeman 60
Carson-Newman 114, Coker 82
Cumberland (Tenn.) 57, Indiana-Southeast 47
George Mason 64, E. Kentucky 41
Georgetown (Ky.) 99, Voorhees 63
Georgia St. 71, Montana 68
Howard 72, St. Francis Brooklyn 69
Kentucky 93, Monmouth (NJ) 76
Limestone 82, Lees-McRae 40
Louisville 80, Middle Tennessee 26
Maryland 82, Gardner-Webb 60
Memphis 84, UAB 82
Mercer 82, Florida A&M 64
Mississippi 66, South Alabama 59
Radford 76, Erskine 49
Rose-Hulman 69, Transylvania 58
SC-Upstate 63, SC State 44
Samford 59, Auburn-Montgomery 46
South Carolina 80, Coastal Carolina 78
Tenn. Wesleyan 72, St. Andrews 61
Tennessee 81, Lipscomb 71
Tennessee St. 95, Fisk 48
Thomas More 86, Chatham 28
Troy 130, Montevallo 50
UCF 76, Southern U. 60
VMI 81, Longwood 70
W. Illinois 81, Austin Peay 68
Wake Forest 92, Md.-Eastern Shore 50
Westminster (Mo.) 65, Spalding 56
Wofford 73, Winthrop 68
MIDWEST
Adrian 76, St. Mary's (Ind.) 67
Augustana (SD) 77, Mary 62
Baker 77, Mount Mercy 63
Ball St. 71, Valparaiso 70
Bethany Lutheran 56, St. Scholastica 51
Bethel (Minn.) 75, St. Mary's (Minn.) 67
Carleton 71, Macalester 68
Carthage 74, Augustana (Ill.) 67
Cent. Michigan 77, Indiana St. 67
Concordia (Mich.) 84, Michigan-Dearborn 59
Concordia (Minn.) 51, Augsburg 43
Concordia (Wis.) 65, Dominican (Ill.) 45
Culver-Stockton 75, Graceland (Iowa) 66
Edgewood 55, Marian (Wis.) 50
Evansville 66, Canisius 59
Grand Valley St. 88, N. Michigan 59
Grand View 77, Clarke 60
Gustavus 82, Hamline 50
Hillsdale 87, Walsh 74
Hope 82, Albion 69
Iowa 85, Ark.-Pine Bluff 45
Lakeland 81, Aurora 54
Loyola of Chicago 80, Norfolk St. 52
Madonna 75, Cornerstone 68
Marquette 90, Wisconsin 63
Martin Luther 54, Northland 47
Miami (Ohio) 58, Jacksonville St. 55
Michigan 78, UCLA 69
Michigan St. 82, Rhode Island 38
Milwaukee Engineering 68, Rockford 51
Minn. Duluth 69, Sioux Falls 51
Minn. St. (Moorhead) 70, Bemidji St. 47
Nebraska 89, Drake 84
North Dakota 79, N. Dakota St. 68
Northern St. (SD) 75, Minn.-Crookston 50
Northwestern (Minn.) 59, North Central (Minn.) 51
Northwood (Mich.) 78, Lake Superior St. 61
Oakland 82, Chicago St. 50
Ohio St. 97, William & Mary 62
Saginaw Valley St. 77, Ferris St. 72
South Dakota 66, CS Bakersfield 50
St. Benedict 52, St. Olaf 34
St. Cloud St. 76, SW Minnesota St. 69
St. Norbert at Cornell (Iowa), ppd
St. Thomas (Minn.) 79, Saint Catherine 46
Toledo 65, Cleveland St. 56
W. Michigan 87, Detroit 79
Wartburg 85, Beloit 22
Wayne (Mich.) 85, Tiffin 58
Wayne (Neb.) 72, Minot St. 52
Wichita St. 72, UMKC 63
William Penn 72, Evangel 45
Winona St. 62, Concordia (St.P) 43
Wis.-LaCrosse 58, Dubuque 47
Wis.-River Falls 68, Luther 47
Wis.-Superior 67, Minn.-Morris 57
Wright St. 63, Kent St. 54
EAST
American U. 66, Denver 53
Buffalo 65, Columbia 63
Dominican (NY) 57, Nyack 48
Fairleigh Dickinson 60, Mass.-Lowell 51
Fordham 78, Iona 48
Haverford 58, Washington (Md.) 32
Holy Cross 64, Vermont 53
Maine 64, Dartmouth 51
Marist 86, Boston U. 52
Mount St. Mary's 82, Rider 78
New Hampshire 69, Manhattan 55
Notre Dame 68, Penn 54
Old Westbury 65, Baruch 53
Pittsburgh 74, UNC Wilmington 55
Princeton 80, Quinnipiac 46
Robert Morris 63, Lafayette 42
Sacred Heart 78, Providence 75
St. Francis (Pa.) 76, Youngstown St. 65
St. John's 81, James Madison 64
Towson 78, Loyola (Md.) 67
Yale 75, CCSU 62

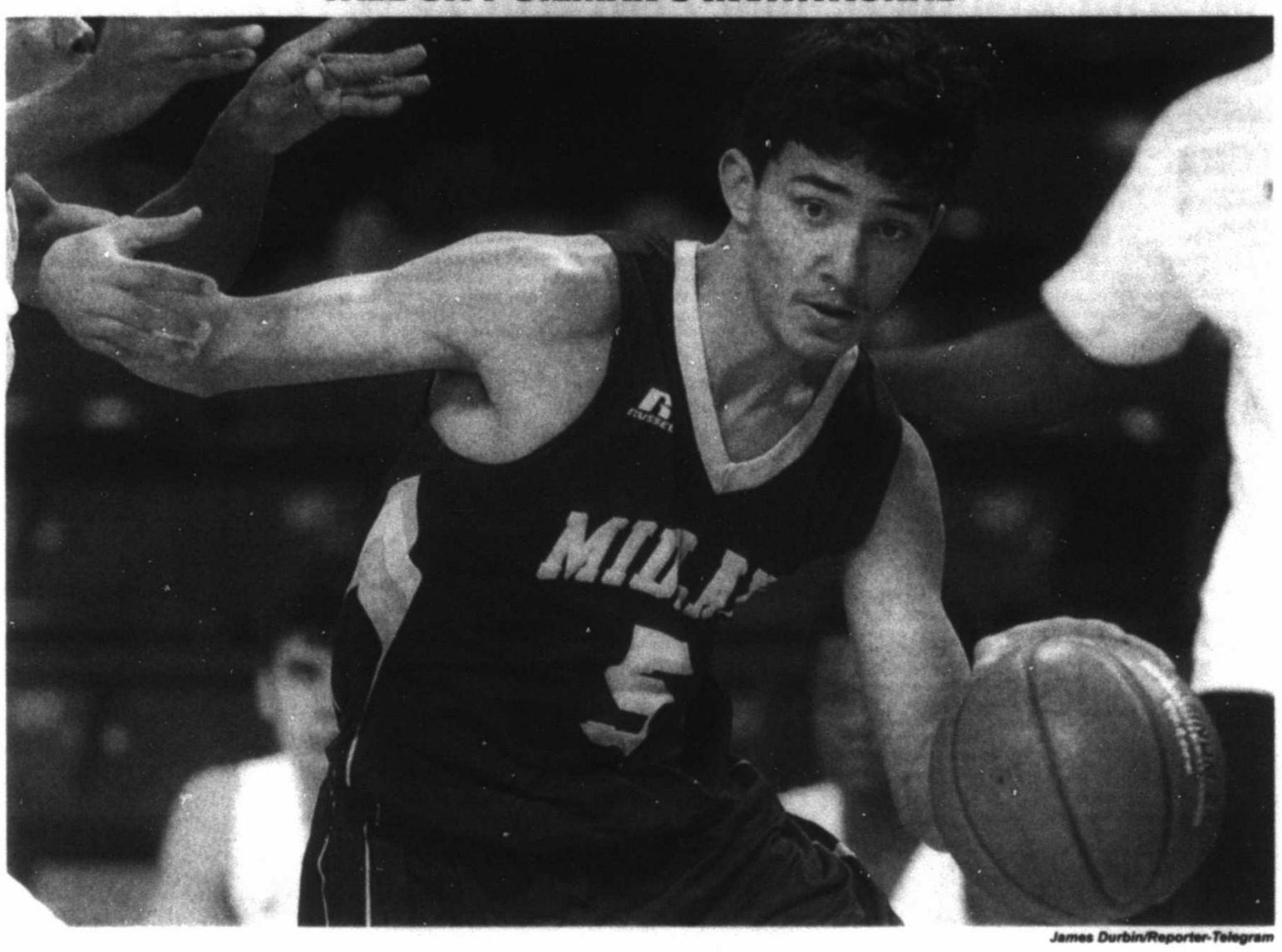
HOW THE TOP 25 FARED
Saturday

1. UConn (8-0) did not play. Next: vs. Oklahoma, Tuesday, Dec. 19.
2. Texas (7-0) did not play. Next: at No. 11 Tennessee, Sunday.
3. Notre Dame (9-1) beat Pennsylvania 68-54. Next: vs. DePaul, Sunday, Dec. 17.
4. Louisville (11-0) beat Middle Tennessee 80-36. Next: vs. Tennessee State, Tuesday.
5. South Carolina (9-1) did not play. Next: vs. Savannah State, Sunday, Dec. 17.
6. Mississippi State (8-0) did not play. Next: vs. UALR, Sunday.
7. UCLA (7-2) did not play. Next: at Seton Hall, Sunday, Dec. 17.
8. Baylor (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. McNeese State, Wednesday.
9. Oregon (8-1) beat Southern Utah 99-58. Next: at No. 6 Mississippi State, Wednesday.
10. West Virginia (8-0) did not play. Next: vs. Coppin State, Sunday.
11. Tennessee (6-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 2 Texas, Sunday.
12. Ohio State (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. Dartmouth, Friday.
13. Florida State (9-0) did not play. Next: vs. Arizona State, Sunday.
14. Duke (7-2) did not play. Next: vs. Winthrop, Sunday.
15. Maryland (9-2) did not play. Next: at Loyola (Md.), Monday.
16. South Florida (7-2) lost to Oklahoma 79-74. Next: vs. Southern University, Friday.
17. Missouri (8-1) did not play. Next: vs. SIU-Edwardsville, Sunday.
18. Stanford (5-4) did not play. Next: vs. UNLV, Saturday.
19. Oregon State (5-2) did not play. Next: vs. San Jose State, Sunday.
20. Kentucky (9-2) did not play. Next: at Miami, Sunday.
21. Texas A&M (8-2) beat Central Arkansas 72-61. Next: at Southern Cal, Friday.
22. Villanova (8-0) did not play. Next: at Temple, Sunday.
23. Green Bay (7-1) did not play. Next: at Loyola of Chicago, Sunday.
24. Michigan (7-2) did not play. Next: vs. Kent State, Sunday.
25. California (6-2) did not play. Next: at Pacific, Sunday.

TODAY'S GAMES
SOUTHWEST

SE Louisiana at TCU, 2 p.m.
Tulsa at Arkansas, 2 p.m.
ETSU at Houston, 2 p.m.
Huston-Tillotson at Houston Baptist, 2 p.m.
FAR WEST
Navy at New Mexico, 2 p.m.
Grand Canyon at Washington, 2 p.m.
Minnesota at San Diego, 2:30 p.m.
UTEP at New Mexico St., 3 p.m.
Colorado St. at N. Colorado, 3 p.m.
Hope International at San Diego St., 3 p.m.
California at Pacific, 4 p.m.
Montana at Fresno St., 4 p.m.
San Jose St. at Oregon St., 4 p.m.
Boise St. at Portland, 4 p.m.
Menlo at Santa Clara, 4 p.m.
SOUTH
Kentucky at Miami, noon
Mercer at UNC-Asheville, noon
Marshall at Florida, noon
Flagler at Jacksonville, 1 p.m.
North Greenville at Georgia St., 1 p.m.
Georgia Southern at UCF, 1 p.m.
Georgetown at NC State, 1 p.m.
Winthrop at Duke, 1 p.m.
Ave Maria at Florida Gulf Coast, 1 p.m.
Texas-Arlington at Georgia Tech, 1 p.m.
Furman at North Carolina, 1 p.m.
Arizona St. at Florida St., 1 p.m.
North Florida at Florida A&M, 1 p.m.
VCU at Radford, 1 p.m.
UALR at Mississippi St., 2 p.m.
Texas at Tennessee, 2 p.m.
LSU at Tulane, 2 p.m.
Grambling St. at Alabama, 2 p.m.
IUPUI at Tennessee Tech, 2 p.m.
Virginia Tech at Chattanooga, 2:30 p.m.
Palm Beach Atlantic at Bethune-Cookman, 4 p.m.
MIDWEST
UM Dearborn at Oakland, noon
NC Central at Iowa St., noon
Green Bay at Loyola of Chicago, 1 p.m.
Oakland City at Ball St., 1 p.m.
Ohio at Purdue, 1 p.m.
Kent St. at Michigan, 1 p.m.
Creighton at Nebraska-Omaha, 1 p.m.
Milwaukee at Fort Wayne, 1 p.m.
Morehead St. at Evansville, 1 p.m.
Wisconsin Parkside at N. Iowa, 1 p.m.
Ossi Roberts at Missouri St., 2 p.m.
W. Kentucky at S. Illinois, 2 p.m.
E. Michigan at Illinois St., 2

TALL CITY OILMAN'S INVITATIONAL



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Midland High's Nathaniel Rodriguez (5) drives to the hoop against Boswell in the Tall City Oilman's Invitational on Saturday at Chaparral Center

NOTEBOOK

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down 19 of its 26 free throw attempts in the win.

The Lady Hawks (10-4) completed the weekend at 3-1, with the lone loss a 58-41 loss against Hobbs in pool play Friday.

FOUR TALL CITY GIRLSMAKE ALL-TOURNAMENT

Lee junior guard Braydyn Hill, Lee sophomore post Paige Low, Midland High sophomore guard Taysha Rushton and Midland Classical sophomore guard Leia Beattie were all selected to the Tall City Oilman's Invitational Girls All-Tournament Team.

Tournament champion Birdville landed sophomore guards Rylie Riddle and Iyana Dorsey on the team.

Runner-up Jim Ned was represented by junior forward Jenna Moore and junior guard Libby Tutt, and third-place Wall had junior forward Samantha Rocha and junior guard Sawyer Lloyd on the team.

The boys tournament didn't release an all-tournament team.

"My girls battled through it. I'm very proud of them. I'm proud of the effort they put out this morning. That's a very good basketball team."

Alfred Acosta, Lee girls basketball coach

LEE GIRLS FALL IN WALL REMATCH

The Lee girls basketball team had a rare non-district rematch with Class 3A power Wall in Saturday's Tall City Oilman's Invitational third-place game at Chaparral Center.

The No. 6-ranked Lady Hawks took the first meeting with a 43-36 road win over the Lady Rebels on Nov. 14.

In Saturday's second meeting, Wall made 14 fourth quarter free throws of its 16 final period points to upend Lee 37-33.

Samantha Rocha scored a game-high 16 points to lead the Lady Hawks.

The Lady Rebels led 22-21 through three quarters, but their offense got out of rhythm in the fourth quarter.

"We got a little bit caught up into what isn't happening, what wasn't going our way as opposed to what was going our way and it kind of took us out of our game a little bit," Lee head coach Alfred Acosta said. "It's part of the maturing process."

No Lady Rebels players scored in double figures against Wall's typically stingy defense, but Lee did well on the glass against the Lady Hawks' length, as Quinci Strambler grabbed eight rebounds, while Paige Low had seven.

Lee (7-9) went 3-2 in its host tournament, playing more games than any team because Hobbs, New Mexico, couldn't make the trip until Friday because of New Mexico state regulations that prohibit teams from playing more than two days in tournaments.

"We were the only the team that played five games," Acosta said. "My girls battled through it. I'm very proud of them. I'm proud of the effort they put out this morning. That's a very good basketball team."

LEE

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around throughout the first half and even took a 25-24 lead midway through the second.

The Panthers owned a 13-4 edge on the boards in the period, which created a slew of extra scoring opportunities.

"In the first half (Fort Stockton) did a good job of getting rebounds and some second and third chance opportunities," Boswell said. "Fort Stockton is a good team."

But Boswell took even more satisfaction in his team's execution in the second half. Fort Stockton misfired on its first five shots of the third quarter and the Rebels began to turn the tide of rebounding battle, grabbing loose balls and getting down the court.

In the open floor, quality ball movement and spacing paved the way four big 3-pointers — three from Chambers — which helped to build Lee's advantage.

"We came in at halftime and we discuss what went well and what we need to adjust to or emphasize going into the second half. (The Lee players) were being receptive to it and going out onto the floor and making plays. The boys read right what we were doing offensively. When you're able to make basketball plays and then go down and get a stop on the other end, come back and make another play — it adds up for you and your confidence grows. It was a good team win."

Boswell said his team's performance over the weekend was encouraging. Lee's lone defeat was a 57-47 loss against Class 6A Kyle Lehman on Friday morning.

"It's not supposed to be easy — it's supposed to be a challenge, it's supposed to be difficult," Boswell said. "We're wanting them to embrace that challenge of it and they really are seeing it. They are starting to learn how to win games that we would have struggled with just a couple of weeks ago. You can't grow and mature without having setbacks in any part of your life.

Added Eaden: "We're starting to play as a team and putting it all together."

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LEE 59, FORT STOCKTON 49

Fort Stockton — Wisler 10, Herrera 15, Gonzalez 4, Nolen 8, Guerra 6, Doggett 6

Lee (5-6) — Jalen Harris 2, Evan McMahon 2, Avery Chambers 22, Zhuric Phelps 14, Cavonte Eaden 12, Patrick Okoro 5, Lote Flouroy 2

Fort Stockton	13	20	6	10 —49
Lee	18	15	16	9 —59

Free throws — Fort Stockton 9-11, Lee 1-3. Total fouls — Fort Stockton 7, Lee 13. Fouled out — None.

Next: Lamesa at Lee, 7:00 p.m. Monday

MHS

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numbers and we also lost our center (Lizabelle Russell) to a concussion. But that doesn't take away from the credit that I want to give to Midland High because it's very difficult to score against a team that plays such great man-to-man defense. I give them the credit. (MHS coach Wes Torres) does a great job with them and certainly we were tired today and that showed on the offensive end. I hope there's not going to be many more of those games where we score three points in a half."

Saturday's game pitted two super sophomore point guards with Midland High's Taysha Rushton and the Lady Knights' Leia Beattie, who were both named to the all-tournament team.

Rushton sank a 3-pointer to start the game and Beattie followed with a transition layup, and it seemed the two would trade scores all game.

Beattie soared out of the gates with seven first-quarter points, but MHS made limiting her impact a priority the rest of the game by defending her with fresh bodies off the bench.

"Leia, you just can't let her get a lot of touches because she's going to score," Torres said. "That's the bottom line. She's a scorer. She's a pure scorer. We were rotating girls in and out on her because she wears you down. She's a big body. She's not small. She's 5-8. Us being able to do that and be able to score the way we did, I can't be more proud of these girls."

Teleshia Defell and Sadie Govan each had three steals to lead the Lady Dawgs' defense.

"They're a really good team," Torres said of MCA. "I'm very pleased.

"We were just feeling it today. We were all working together. It was high energy."

Savannah Carter, Midland High player

I'm very proud of our girls' complete effort. Every hustle play, the things that don't go in the stat sheet, we did tonight, so I'm extremely proud of them."

Torres singled out MHS senior Savanna Carter for setting the tone with her hustle and effort.

"We were just feeling it today," Carter said. "We were all working together. It was high energy."

Rushton led the Lady Dawgs with 14 points, followed by 10 from Govan.

Sophomore guard Kori Kirk scored a team-high 11 points for the Lady Knights.

Both teams finished the tournament at 2-2.

"I am so proud of our kids for competing so well against big schools," Cunneen said. "We take this time of the season as a chance for us to improve and we know that we need to work on things and that's OK because our focus is the end of the season. We want to be our best by the end."

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MIDLAND HIGH 64, MIDLAND CLASSICAL 39

Midland High (10-0) — Jayci Strain 5, Maya Duarte 6, Teleshia Defell 4, Quay Webster 2, Savannah Carter 5, Taysha Rushton 14, Sadie Govan 10, Jurnee Williams 7, Lexi Roper 3, Zoe Taylor 2, Aaah Ritchie 4, Racey Hails 2

Midland Classical (0-3) — Kori Kirk 11, Leia Beattie 7, Jenny Coon 2, Makenna Beattie 9

MHS	24	13	9	18 —64
MCA	10	7	1	2 —39

Free throws — MHS 4-5, MCA 9-13. 3-point goals — MHS 10 (Rushton 4, Govan 2, Duarte 2, Strain, Roper), MCA 5 (M. Beattie 2, Kirk 2, L. Beattie). Total fouls — MHS 14, MCA 13. Fouled out — None.

Next: Grady at MCA, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday; Lubbock Monterey at MHS, 6 p.m. Tuesday

OILMAN'S INVITATIONAL GLANCE

Boys

MIDLAND HIGH 68, FORT WORTH BOSWELL 58

Boswell — Tymon Livas 16, Je'Moine Wade 1, Terrance Wiseman 11, Xavier Yon 10, Delius Chester 7, Matthew Scarborough 4, Azeez Mustapha 1, Jaden Gregory 8

MHS (4-7) — Xedrian Van Buren 4, Rahkeem Patterson 13, Nathaniel Rodriguez 10, Duce Warren 5, Gage Warren 5, Nicholas Terrazas 5, Kellen Parker 5, Suddin Sapien 12

Boswell	13	13	9	21 —58
MHS	17	8	16	15 —68

Free throws — Boswell 22-32, MHS 17-31. 3-point goals — Boswell 6 (Wiseman 2, Yon 2, Gregory, Livas), MHS 6 (Patterson 2, Rodriguez, G. Warren, Terrazas, Parker). Total fouls — Boswell 23, MHS 24. Fouled out — Corsaw

BIG SPRING 65, LEE JV

Lee JV — Gamboa 2, Brian Leyva 17, Amaron Armendariez 8, Hill 3, Karl Taylor 9

Big Spring (2-9) — Dimas Garcia 4, Zephaniah Nelson 14, Elijah Munoz 8, Logan Edwards 5, Jeremiah Conley 11, Able Clark 12, Nathaniel Lotz 10, CJ Harris 3

Lee JV	6	8	8	13 —37
Big Spring	17	16	15	17 —65

Free throws — Lee JV 12-19, Big Spring 1-2. 3-point goals — Lee JV 1 (Taylor), Big Spring 4 (Nelson 2, Edwards, Conley). Total fouls — Lee JV 9, Big Spring 20. Fouled out — Harris, Technical — Conley

NO. 9 NORTH RICHLAND HILLS BIRDVILLE 60, EL PASO EASTLAKE 53

Eastlake —Orion Olivas 2, Orlando Olivas 17, Jacob Aguirre 6, Sam Ruan 7, Joseph Maldonado 10, Ezekiel Scruggs 21

Birdville — Noah Wheatless 31, Stephon Johnson 3, Tre Hester 10, Jeremy Lawler 2, Colby Feris 6, Cavon Hughes 2, Trey Gardiner 4, Lenny Rose 4, Keenan Crymes 2, Tanner Rhodes 5, Ryan Shewalter 5

Eastlake	11	16	20	16 —63
Birdville	13	24	20	15 —60

Free throws — Eastlake 13-20, Birdville 12-15. 3-point goals — Eastlake 7 (Maldonado 2, Ruan 2, Aguirre 2, Orlando Olivas), Birdville 10 (Wheatless 7, Johnson, Hester, Shewalter). Total fouls — Eastlake 14, Birdville 18. Fouled out — None.

EULESS TRINITY 61, DENVER CITY 38

Denver City — Riley Boyd 4, Mathew DeLaRosa 9, Estevan Mendoza 14, Emmanuel Zubia 4, Nathaniel Cruz 5

Euless Trinity — Andre Nunley 7, Ontiveut Rosario-Collin 2, Eugene Ogaro 7, Graham Louis 5, Karl Anderson 9, Micah Woodley 5, Kam Darcy 2, Kamal Kimbrough 2, Javarin Kapellusch 12, Tahyran Bailey 4

Denver City	6	7	12	9 —38
Euless Trinity	17	9	15	10 —61

Free throws — Denver City 9-10, Trinity 8-11. 3-point goals — Denver City 5 (DeLaRosa 3, Mendoza, Cruz), Trinity 1 (Ogaro). Total fouls — Denver City 7, Trinity 8. Fouled out — None.

KYLE LEHMAN 61, AMARILLO CAPROCK 57

Caprock — Jalyn Washington 16, Kalib Rodriguez 2, Gerenq Majok 9, Chris Wilson 14, Sunghach Gatlek 10, Jaamaryon Gaines 6

Lehman — Oscar Montalvo 3, Quinten Donavan 8, Kervy Henderson 20, Camaeon Jones 8, TJ Jefferson 5, Marcos Cantu 3, Zach Harris 2, Jarek Salinas 7, Brendon Doske 2

Caprock	17	11	17	12 —57
Lehman	9	14	16	22 —61

Free throws — Caprock 5-6, Lehman 17-25. 3-point goals — Caprock 4 (Wilson 2, Majok, Gaines), Lehman 8 (Henderson 4, Donavon 2, Salinas, Montalvo). Total fouls — Caprock 23, Lehman 11. Fouled out — None.

Girls

NO. 8 WALL 37, LEE 33

Wall — Sawyer Lloyd 6, Abby Alexander 2, Payton Box 1, Landry Reynolds 4, Samantha Rocha 16, Jayden Fiebiger 5, Landry Oliver 3

Lee (7-9) — Karigan Edwards 5, Alaysha Green 7, Braydyn Hill 6, Destiny Stanford 3, Quinci Strambler 4, Mackenzie Rose 2, Paige Low 6

Wall	6	8	7	16 —37
Lee	6	6	10	11 —33

Free throws — Wall 15-23, Lee 6-10. 3-point goals — Lee 3 (Edwards, Green, Stanford). Total fouls — Wall 12, Lee 16. Fouled out — Strambler.

NO. 6 NORTH RICHLAND HILLS BIRDVILLE 39, NO. 11 JIM NED 34

Jim Ned — Jolie Branch 2, Jenna Moore 6, Taylor Benton 2, Libby Tutt 7, Torey Bodenhaw 5, Brooke Galvin 2

Birdville — Rylie Riddle 3, Iyana Dorsey 9, Aimee Campbell 7, Lauren Wheeler 3, Joy Johnson 2, Kelsey Dominguez 9

Jim Ned	6	3	7	8 —24
Birdville	4	11	10	14 —39

Free throws — Jim Ned 6-8, Birdville 16-26. 3-point goals — Jim Ned 2 (Moore), Birdville 1 (Dorsey). Total fouls — Jim Ned 22, Birdville 12. Fouled out — None.

HOBBS, N.M. 66, EL PASO MONTWOOD 26

Hobbs — Amiah Smith 9, Deonee Martinez 6, MacKenzye Gibson 5, Amaya Lewis 17, Za'Riah Griffin 8, Kiara Knight 8, Mariah Jennings 5, Kenzie Turner 2

Montwood — Jordan Maxwell 5, Alexis Rodriguez 2, Ariana Arias 9, Mia Lozoya 8, Alyna Torres 2

Montwood	5	10	6	5 —26
Hobbs	19	16	9	22 —66

Free throws — Montwood 3-4, Hobbs 6-14. 3-point goals — Montwood 1 (Maxwell), Hobbs 6 (Smith 2, Harvess 2, Martinez, Gibson, Lewis, Griffin). Total fouls — Montwood 8, Hobbs 5. Fouled out — None.

Bracket

TALL CITY OILMAN'S INVITATIONAL THURSDAY-SATURDAY

Boys

Thursday

Pool 1

Kyle Lehman 100, Big Spring 39

Lee 100, Big Spring 59

Pool 2

Fort Worth Boswell 68, Lee JV

Pool 3

Amarillo Caprock 66, Euless Trinity 47

El Paso Eastlake 53, Euless Trinity 37

Pool 4

Midland High 91, Denver City 51

North Richland Hills Birdville 86, Denver City 46

Friday

Pool Play

Pool 1

Kyle Lehman 57, Lee 47

Pool 3

El Paso Eastlake 57, Amarillo Caprock 49

Pool 4

North Richland Hills Birdville 69, Midland High 59

Bracket play

Bronze semifinal 1

Euless Trinity 60, Big Spring 51

Bronze semifinal 2, 2 p.m.

Denver City 59, Lee JV 39

Silver semifinal 1, 5 p.m.

Lee 70, Fort Worth Boswell 58

Silver semifinal 2, 5 p.m.

MHS 82, Fort Stockton 72

Gold semifinal 1, 8 p.m.

El Paso Eastlake 65, Kyle Lehman 57

Gold semifinal 2, 8 p.m.

North Richland Hills Birdville 59, Amarillo Caprock 57, OT

Saturday

Bracket play

Bronze championship

Euless Trinity 51, Denver City 38

Bronze consolation

Big Spring 65, Lee JV 57

Silver championship

MHS 59, Fort Worth Boswell 58

Silver consolation

Lee 59, Fort Stockton 49

Gold championship

North Richland Hills Birdville 80, El Paso Eastlake 63

Gold consolation

Kyle Lehman 62, Amarillo Caprock 57

Girls

Thursday

Pool A

Midland Classical 56, Lee 51

Denver City 59, El Paso Montwood 42

Lee 48, Jim Ned 45

Pool B

Wall 60, El Paso El Dorado 42

Jim Ned 57, Denver City 49, OT

North Richland Hills Birdville 38, El Paso El Dorado 30

Wall 48, Midland High 43

Friday

Pool A

Midland Classical 53, El Paso Montwood 46

Jim Ned 58, Midland Classical 42

Lee 40, El Paso Montwood 39

Lee 47, Denver City 45

Pool B

Hobbs, NM. 55, Midland High 41

North Richland Hills Birdville 51, Wall 45, OT

Midland High 41, El Paso El Dorado 39

Hobbs, NM. 58, North Richland Hills Birdville 41

Saturday

Championship game

North Richland Hills Birdville 59, Jim Ned 24

Third place

Wall 57, Lee 33

Fifth place

MHS 64, Midland Classical 39

Seventh place

Hobbs, N.M. 66, El Paso Montwood 26

Ninth place

Denver City 47, El Paso El Dorado 39

Texas hires TCU's Chris Del Conte as athletic director

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Chris Del Conte is leaving TCU to take over the University of Texas' athletic department.

The surprise move was announced Saturday by Texas President Greg Fenves, and Del Conte will start his new job Monday. He succeeds Mike Perrin, who was hired in 2015 after former athletic director Steve Patterson was forced out after less than two years.

At TCU, Del Conte led the Horned Frogs into the Big 12 and heled mold a program that turned them into a football power.


Del Conte

While Perrin had never been viewed as a long-term athletic director, Texas had made no hint it was looking to replace him before his employment agreement expired in late 2018. Texas said Perrin will stay on as an adviser for Del Conte.

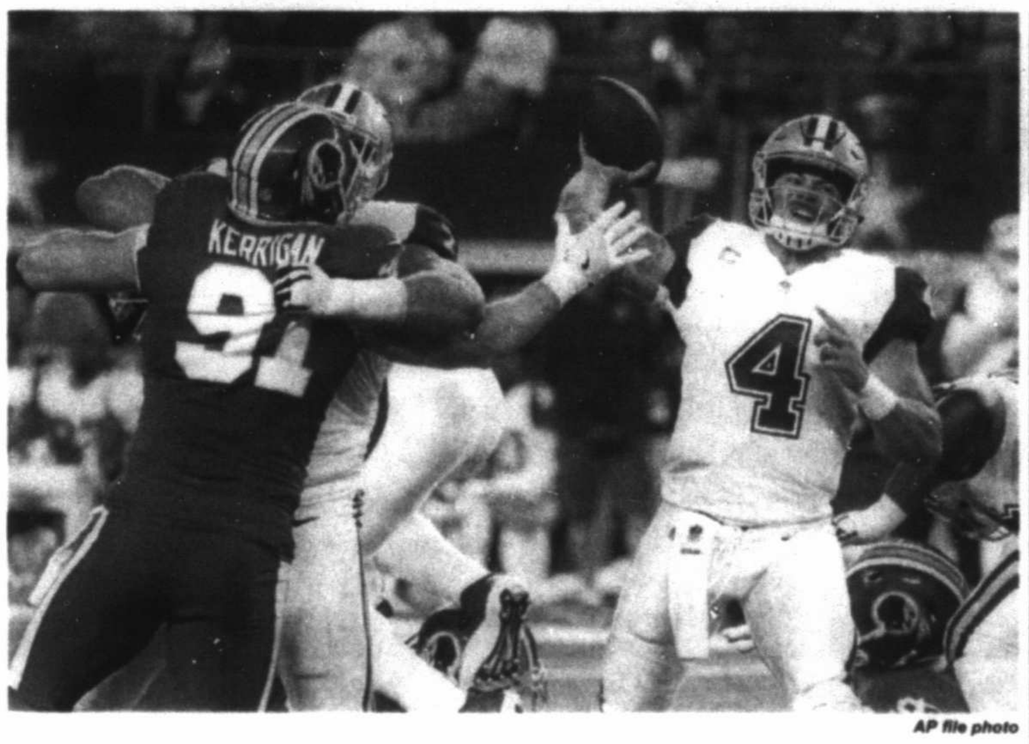
"Mike has been a trusted partner and friend and will forever have my gratitude and the gratitude of Longhorn Nation," Fenves said.

"Chris has the experience, vision and character that's needed for Texas to build on the Longhorns' rich legacy and to continue winning with integrity for years to come. He knows the state of Texas, supports student-athletes, understands the media landscape of college sports, and is one of the best athletics directors in the country," Fenves said.

Del Conte will have the title of vice president of intercollegiate athletics at Texas. Longhorns women's athletic director Chris Plonsky will still lead the women's athletic department and will report to Del Conte.

A person with knowledge of Del Conte's contract told The Associated Press he has a seven-year deal with an annual salary starting at $1.3 million. The person spoke on condition of anonymity because the school was not yet ready to publicly release contract details. The contract must still be approved by the Texas board of regents

Del Conte will lead one of the largest and wealthiest athletic programs in the country and one that is starved for success on the football field. After three straight losing seasons, the Longhorns (6-6) play in the Texas Bowl under first-year coach Tom Herman. Del Conte will lead a basketball program that plans to build a new on-campus arena after 40 years in the Frank Erwin Center.


AP file photo

In this Nov. 30, 2017, file photo, Washington Redskins linebacker Ryan Kerrigan (91) pressures Dallas Cowboys quarterback Dak Prescott (4) as Prescott throws a pass Nov. 30 in Arlington. The Cowboys face the New York Giants on Sunday in East Rutherford, N.J., today.

Cowboys have tough task against Giants

By Tom Canavan
Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J.

The New York Giants' firing of coach Ben McAdoo and general manager Jerry Reese may have made things tougher on the Dallas Cowboys in their fight to stay in the playoff race.

A week ago, the Cowboys (6-6) probably looked forward to playing the Giants (2-10) at MetLife Stadium with either Geno Smith or rookie Davis Webb running New York's offense under McAdoo's plan to evaluate his quarterbacks after benching Eli Manning.

The Monday upheaval in the Meadowlands changed that.

Defensive coordinator Steve Spagnuolo was hired as the interim head coach after the firings and his first decision was to restore the 36-year-old Manning to his familiar starting role.

"It's our hope to unite, restore and find a way to win football games," Spagnuolo said. "When I mean restore, you know, restore Giant pride. It's hard to be real prideful when you don't win a lot of football games. But, I think the guys feel that. They understand it and we'll function that way going forward."

Having the Cowboys in town will up the ante for the Giants. They are probably New York's biggest rival and all the players have to remember was that this dreadful season kicked off with a loss in Dallas.

"I'm sure they'll have a different energy," Cowboys quarterback Dak Prescott said. "Like you said, it's some changes up there. New coach, Eli back in there. It's also Cowboys-Giants. It's going to be there, and the energy's going to be there regardless because it's a rivalry, it's in division and it's two teams that are playing for pride, a lot of pride and then obviously us playoffs."

The Cowboys are two games out of a wild-card spot with four games left in the regular season. Besides the Giants, they also face Oakland (6-6), Seattle (8-4) and Philadelphia (10-2). They have had 10 days to prepare for this game.

"I mean it's just playoff starts now," said Prescott, who threw two touchdowns in a big win over Washington on Nov. 30.

"Simple as that. You've got to embrace it. If you play this game and you don't love ... If you don't love the fact that your back's against the wall and it's about what you do every week or every day that it pays off on Sunday, that's what makes this game fun."

Manning is also looking to have a little fun after seeing his streak of 210 consecutive starts snapped last week in Oakland. He ran the scout team in practice last week and served as the backup to Smith.

"I'm excited," said Manning, who has started 27 games in his 14-year career against the Cowboys and thrown 50 touchdowns.

"Excited about the opportunity to play this week, get back on the field with teammates and go play against the Dallas Cowboys. I've played these guys a bunch and I look forward to going out there in our home stadium and trying to get a win."

BACK IN THE SADDLE: Dallas linebacker Sean Lee is expected to return after missing three straight games with a hamstring injury. The 2016 All-Pro missed two games earlier in the season as well. The Cowboys missed him badly after he left a loss at Atlanta with the injury, and subsequently had lopsided defeats against the LA Chargers and Philadelphia.

The defense turned a corner against the Redskins with a season-high four takeaways and key stops to help put the game away. Dallas was 0-5 in games Lee either missed or didn't finish.

Field goal try wide on final play; Army holds off Navy

By Mike Cranston
Associated Press

Army	14
Navy	13

PHILADELPHIA — Bennett Moehring narrowly missed a 48-yard field goal in the swirling snow on the final play and Army held off Navy 14-13 Saturday to win its first Commander-in-Chief's Trophy since 1996.

Army (9-3) earned its second straight win over Navy (6-6) following 14 straight losses in the series.

Ahmad Bradshaw pushed over the goal line on a quarterback sneak with 5:10 remaining and Blake Wilson kicked the extra point to put Army ahead.

Quarterback Malcolm Perry, who ran for 250 yards and a 68-yard score in the second quarter, then led Navy to the Army 31 with 3 seconds left.

Navy elected to try a field goal, and after about 10 players used their feet to clear the steady snow during a timeout, Moehring's kick was long enough but drifted barely left.

Army cut its deficit in the series to 60-51-7 in a matchup of bowl-bound teams. The Black Knights claimed the Commander-in-Chief's Trophy thanks to an earlier victory over Air Force.

In a game that included only three passes — Army completed its lone toss — the Black Knights produced a 13-play, 65-yard drive to take a late lead. John Trainor tiptoed the sideline for 8 yards one play before Bradshaw's 12th touchdown of the season.

Navy took advantage of the ensuing kickoff going out of bounds and moved down the field. Perry dropped a shotgun snap on fourth down at the Army 37, but picked up the ball and ran for a first down. But Navy committed two false start penalties, making the final field goal attempt more difficult.

HEISMAN

From 1C

this season for the Big 12 champion Sooners (12-1). For his career, Mayfield is eighth in FBS history in yards passing (14,320) and sixth in touchdown passes (129). He is likely to leave college with the two best single-season passer ratings in major college football.

Pretty good for a scrawny kid who grew up in Austin, Texas, rooting for Oklahoma, but did not receive a scholarship offer out of high school from either the hometown Longhorns or his beloved Sooners.

At Lake Travis High School, Mayfield won a state championship at a school that regularly pumps out Division I quarterbacks. Mayfield was undersized at 6-1 and received just one offer from a Power Five program — Washington State.

Instead, he walked-on at Texas Tech and started eight games as a freshman. With a glut of quarterbacks in Lubbock, Mayfield left and had only one school in mind.

Oklahoma had Trevor Knight, coming off a Sugar Bowl victory against Alabama and with three seasons left of eligibility, but that did not dissuade Mayfield.

Mayfield thanked former Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops, who also was at the Best Buy Theater in midtown Manhattan, for welcoming a "chubby, unathletic kid into the program with open arms."

His departure from Texas Tech was contentious. At first, he lost a year of eligibility, despite not being on scholarship. Texas Tech could have given permission to waive the lost year, but did not.

Mayfield eventually got that year of eligibility back when the Big 12 tweaked its rules, but he never did let it go. For his last game against Texas Tech this season, he wore the "Traitor" T-shirt that some Red Raiders fans wore when he first returned to Lubbock with Oklahoma.

Mayfield joins Jason White and Sam Bradford as Oklahoma quarterbacks who won the award since 2003. Only Notre Dame, Ohio State and USC have won more Heisman trophies with seven each.

Mayfield is an old-school winner. For decades, seniors dominated the Heisman, but over the last 10 years four juniors, four sophomores and two redshirt freshmen have won the Heisman. By comparison, Mayfield has been around forever, that first season at Texas Tech coming in 2013. He has played 47 college games. Only USC's Carson Palmer with 50 had played more when he won his Heisman in 2002.

HEISMAN GLANCE

HEISMAN WINNERS
(x-vacated)

2017: Baker Mayfield, Oklahoma, QB
2016: Lamar Jackson, Louisville, QB
2015: Derrick Henry, Alabama, RB
2014: Marcus Mariota, Oregon, QB
2013: Jameis Winston, Florida State, QB
2012: Johnny Manziel, Texas A&M, QB
2011: Robert Griffin III, Baylor, QB
2010: Cam Newton, Auburn, QB
2009: Mark Ingram, Alabama, RB
2008: Sam Bradford, Oklahoma, QB
2007: Tim Tebow, Florida, QB
2006: Troy Smith, Ohio State, QB
2005: x-Reggie Bush, Southern Cal, RB
2004: Matt Leinart, Southern Cal, QB
2003: Jason White, Oklahoma, QB
2002: Carson Palmer, Southern Cal, QB
2001: Eric Crouch, Nebraska, QB
2000: Chris Weinke, Florida St., QB
1999: Ron Dayne, Wisconsin, RB
1998: Ricky Williams, Texas, RB
1997: Charles Woodson, Michigan, CB
1996: Danny Wuerffel, Florida, QB
1995: Eddie George, Ohio State, TB
1994: Rashaan Salaam, Colorado, RB
1993: Charlie Ward, Florida State, QB
1992: Gino Torretta, Miami, QB
1991: Desmond Howard, Michigan, WR
1990: Ty Detmer, Brigham Young, QB
1989: Andre Ware, Houston, QB
1988: Barry Sanders, Oklahoma State, RB
1987: Tim Brown, Notre Dame, WR
1986: Vinny Testaverde, Miami, QB
1985: Bo Jackson, Auburn, TB
1984: Doug Flutie, Boston College, QB
1983: Mike Rozier, Nebraska, TB
1982: Herschel Walker, Georgia, RB
1981: Marcus Allen, Southern Cal, TB
1980: George Rogers, South Carolina, RB
1979: Charles White, Southern Cal, TB
1978: Billy Sims, Oklahoma, HB
1977: Earl Campbell, Texas, FB
1976: Tony Dorsett, Pittsburgh, HB
1975: Archie Griffin, Ohio State, HB
1974: Archie Griffin, Ohio State, HB
1973: John Cappelletti, Penn State, HB
1972: Johnny Rodgers, Nebraska, FL
1971: Pat Sullivan, Auburn, QB
1970: Jim Plunkett, Stanford, QB
1969: Steve Owens, Oklahoma, HB
1968: O.J. Simpson, Southern Cal, TB
1967: Gary Beban, UCLA, QB
1966: Steve Spurrier, Florida, QB
1965: Mike Garrett, Southern Cal, TB
1964: John Huarte, Notre Dame, QB
1963: Roger Staubach, Navy, QB
1962: Terry Baker, Oregon State, QB
1961: Ernie Davis, Syracuse, HB
1960: Joe Bellino, Navy, HB
1959: Billy Cannon, LSU, HB
1958: Pete Dawkins, Army, HB
1957: John David Crow, Texas A&M, HB
1956: Paul Hornung, Notre Dame, QB
1955: Howard Cassady, Ohio State, HB
1954: Alan Ameche, Wisconsin, FB
1953: John Lattner, Notre Dame, HB
1952: Billy Vessels, Oklahoma, HB
1951: Dick Kazmaier, Princeton, HB
1950: Vic Janowicz, Ohio State, HB
1949: Leon Hart, Notre Dame, E
1948: Doak Walker, SMU, HB
1947: John Lujack, Notre Dame, QB
1946: Glenn Davis, Army, HB
1945: Doc Blanchard, Army, HB
1944: Les Horvath, Ohio State, QB
1943: Angelo Bertelli, Notre Dame, QB
1942: Frank Sinkwich, Georgia, HB
1941: Bruce Smith, Minnesota, HB
1940: Tom Harmon, Michigan, HB
1939: Nile Kinnick, Iowa, HB
1938: Davey O'Brien, Texas Christian, QB
1937: Clint Frank, Yale, HB
1936: Larry Kelley, Yale, E
1935: Jay Berwanger, Chicago, HB

Savage looks to limit mistakes as Texans play host to 49ers

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Tom Savage threw for a career-high 365 yards last week before the Houston Texans were once again done in by one of his turnovers in a loss to the Tennessee Titans.

The latest error left Savage searching for a way to limit his mistakes as the Texans (4-8) prepare to host the San Francisco 49ers (2-10) on Sunday.

"Now I'm being labeled as a fumbler and a turnover machine, which I know I'm not," Savage said.

"It comes down to just executing and doing it and then just proving to yourself you're not a turnover guy."

Savage gained that label by losing seven fumbles and throwing six interceptions in just six starts this season. Ten of those turnovers, including all of his interceptions, have come in the past four games where the Texans have gone 1-3.

While acknowledging that he has to cut down on his turnovers, the Texans are also quick to point out the improvement that he's made in other areas of his game since taking over when Deshaun Watson was injured in November.

"He does a great job of understanding it's about winning and it's about putting the ball in the end zone," quarterbacks coach Sean Ryan said.

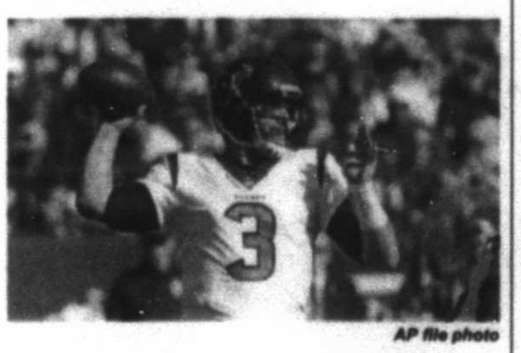
"We still didn't get that done. So, for as good as the performance was, as much as it can help him individually ... he realizes that ultimately we didn't get done what we needed to get done, so there's certainly a lot of room for improvement."

While Savage is only filling in for the season as Watson recovers from a knee injury, the 49ers may have found their quarterback of the future in Jimmy Garoppolo.

Acquired before the trade deadline from New England, Garoppolo shined in his first start on Sunday, throwing for 293 yards to help the 49ers to a 15-14 win at Chicago.

San Francisco coach Kyle Shanahan was asked if it's too early to get excited about what Garoppolo could do for the team.

"To come in there in that situation and to make some of the plays that he did, when he is in that situation, definitely excites everybody," Shanahan said. "I think everyone knows the potential and the possibilities. It's not that you have to temper, you just have to be realistic. It was one game."


AP file photo

Houston Texans quarterback Tom Savage passes against the Tennessee Titans on Dec. 3 in Nashville, Tenn. The Texans host the 49ers today.

NFL GLANCE

Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	10	2	0	.833	346	223
Buffalo	6	6	0	.500	227	283
N.Y. Jets	5	7	0	.417	266	288
Miami	5	7	0	.417	269	296
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Tennessee	8	4	0	.667	285	282
Jacksonville	8	4	0	.667	299	178
Houston	4	8	0	.333	296	309
Indianapolis	3	9	0	.250	206	330
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Pittsburgh	10	2	0	.833	281	213
Baltimore	7	5	0	.583	290	267
Cincinnati	5	7	0	.417	219	239
Cleveland	0	12	0	.000	176	308
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Kansas City	8	6	0	.500	303	274
L.A. Chargers	8	6	0	.500	268	212
Oakland	6	6	0	.500	249	278
Denver	3	9	0	.250	208	315

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	10	2	0	.833	361	215
Dallas	6	6	0	.500	286	284
Washington	5	7	0	.417	272	314
N.Y. Giants	2	10	0	.167	188	291
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
New Orleans	9	4	0	.692	370	263
Carolina	8	4	0	.667	269	239
Atlanta	8	5	0	.615	294	261
Tampa Bay	4	8	0	.333	243	288
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Minnesota	10	2	0	.833	285	204
Detroit	6	6	0	.500	314	308
Green Bay	6	6	0	.500	258	281
Chicago	3	9	0	.250	191	267
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
L.A. Rams	9	3	0	.750	361	222
Seattle	8	4	0	.667	290	222
Arizona	5	7	0	.417	219	310
San Francisco	2	10	0	.167	202	299

Scores & Schedule

Sunday's Games
Oakland at Kansas City, noon
San Francisco at Houston, noon
Minnesota at Carolina, noon
Chicago at Cincinnati, noon
Green Bay at Cleveland, noon
Detroit at Tampa Bay, noon
Indianapolis at Buffalo, noon
Dallas at N.Y. Giants, noon
Washington at L.A. Chargers, 3:05 p.m.
Tennessee at Arizona, 3:05 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Denver, 3:05 p.m.
Seattle at Jacksonville, 3:25 p.m.
Philadelphia at L.A. Rams, 3:25 p.m.
Baltimore at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
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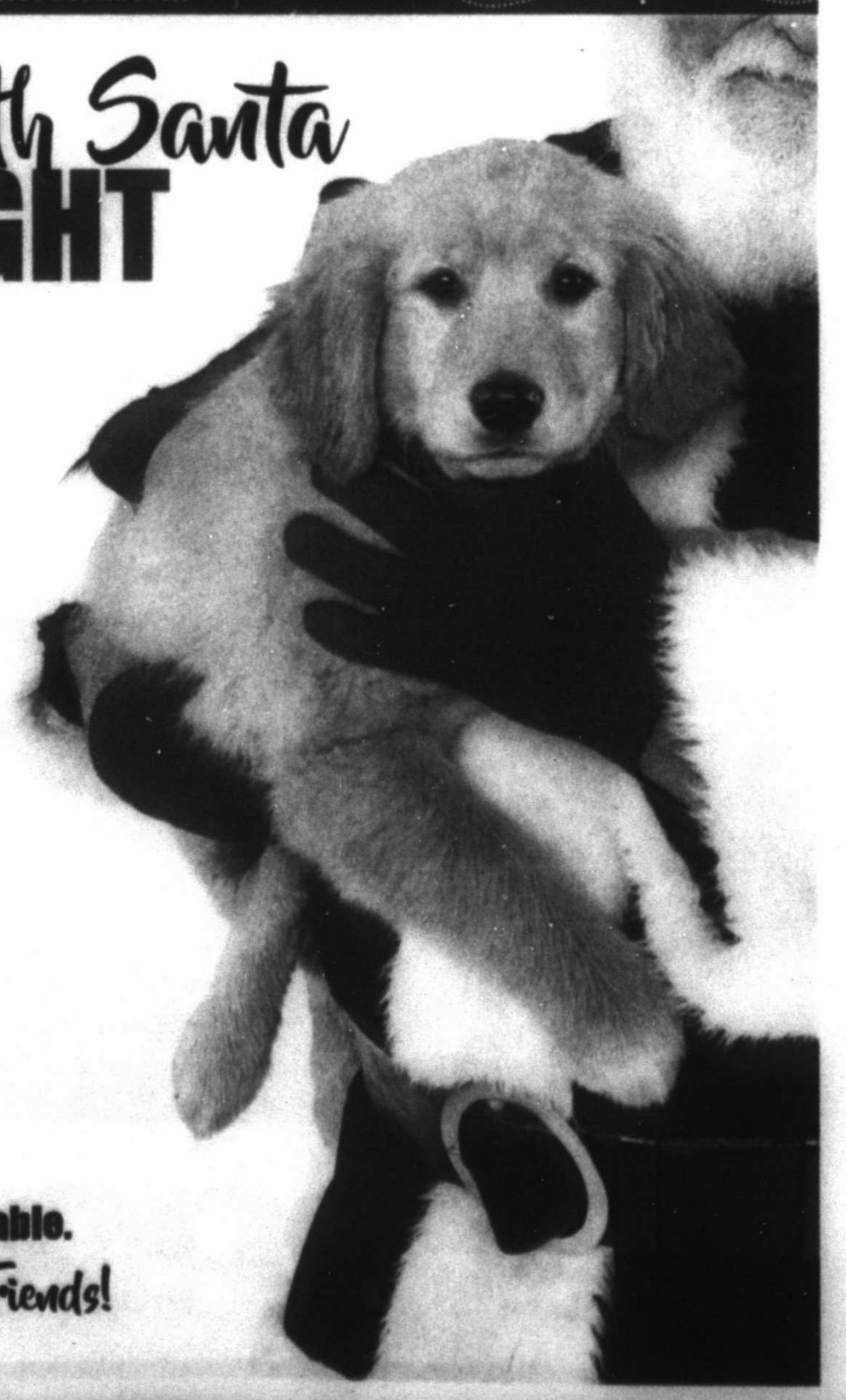
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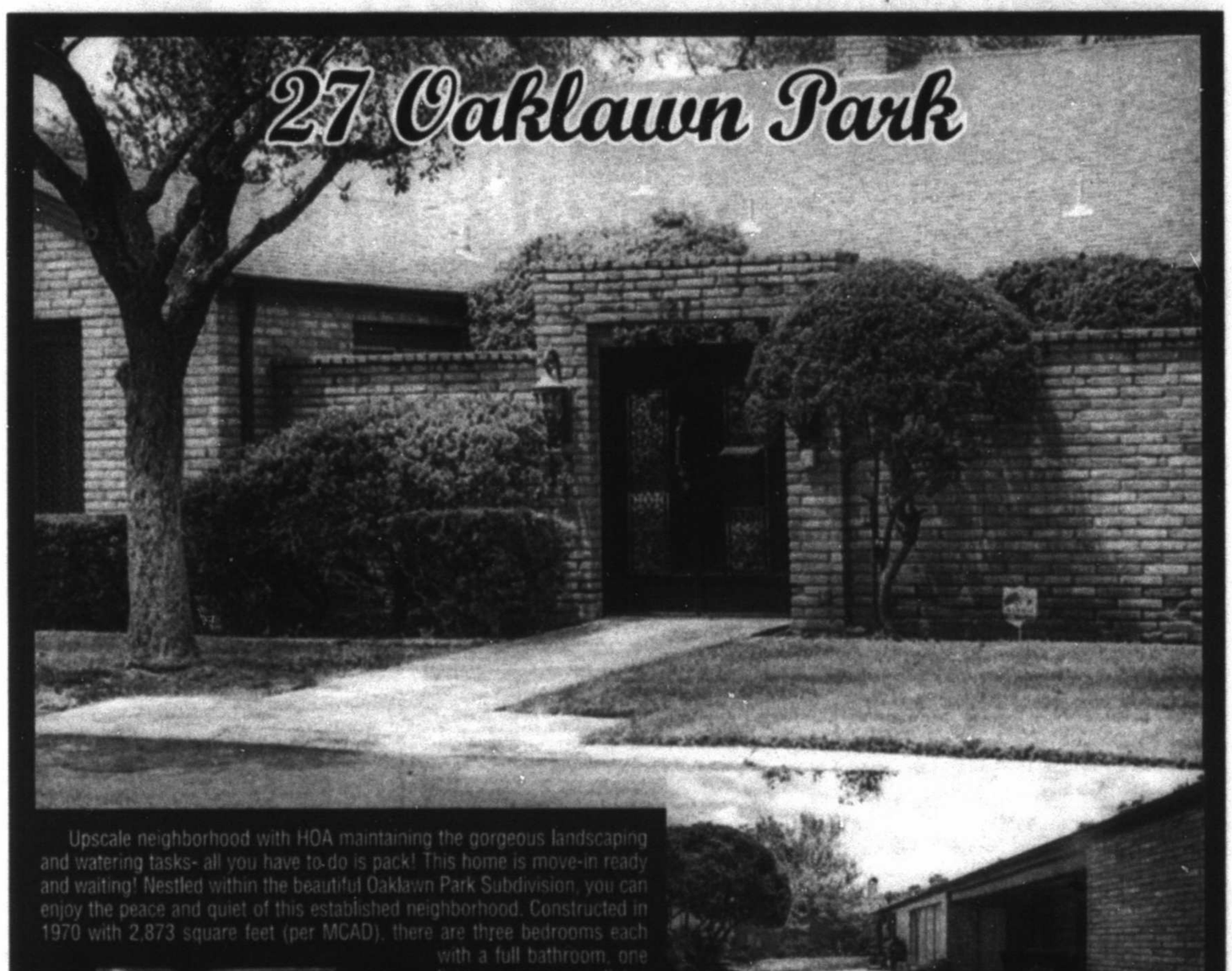
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OTHER JOBS

Environmental Service Attendant

The Environmental Service Attendant may work in any location on client premises. This individual cleans and keeps in an orderly condition facilities or locations in the areas of commercial, health care, schools, universities or other establishments. The general responsibilities of the position include those listed below, but Sodexo may identify other responsibilities of the position. These responsibilities may differ among accounts, depending on business necessities, client requirements and applicable industry standards.

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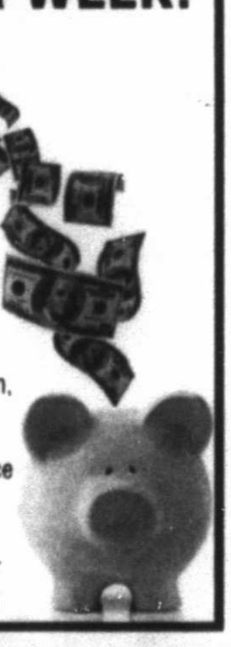
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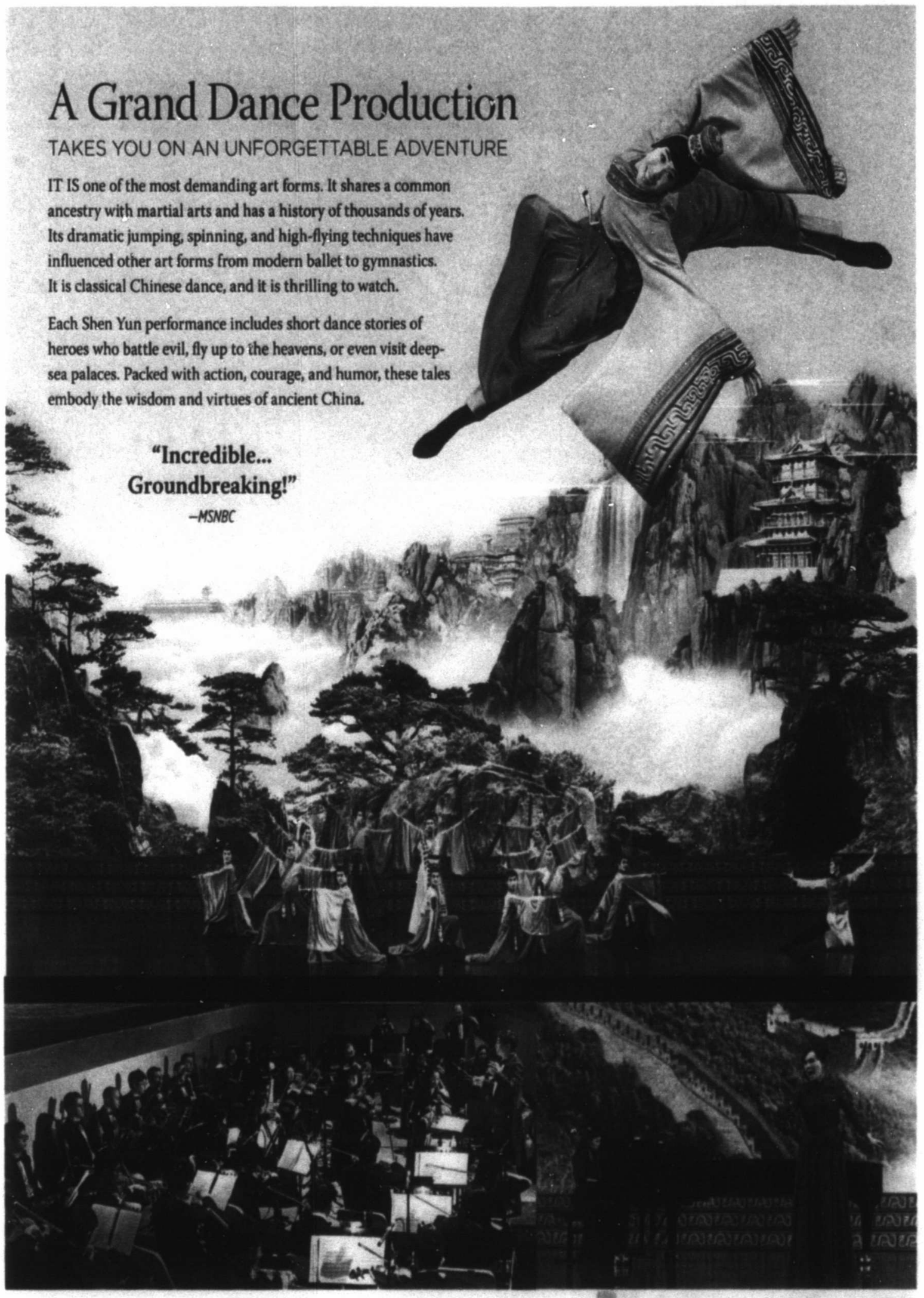
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3001 Pointer Ln. -$199,900


4606 Meadowwood Ct. - $390,000


2609 Inwood Ct. - $845,000


4122 Fox Hollow Ct. - $414,900


2201 S County Rd. 1044 - $414,500

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New and Reduced Listings

2508 Quail Point - Perfect Patio home!! Don't miss this lovely, move-in ready 3 bedroom home. Beautiful patio, gorgeous and complete kitchen. Spacious living area and dining room. Hurry to see!!..... UC...$479,500

2412 Dartmouth - Lovely 4 Bedroom/3 Bath in great neighborhood in Fair Oaks Estates..... $439,000

2409 Seaboard - Lovely 3 Bedrooms, 2.5 Bath home w/hardwood floors and tile flooring throughout plus fabulous POOL!..... $400,000

4606 Meadowwood Ct. -Fantastic 3BR/2.5BA patio home with open plan and wonderful living space..... $390,000

3534 Imperial - Delightful 3/2 with open kitchen/living/den plan, sequestered master, new shingles being done soon, some fresh paint, 2-car garage plus 2 car carport in rear!..... $214,900

One Bedrooms

3330 Caldera- Nicely updated 1 bedroom, 1.5 bath loft condo complete with fireplace, patio w/storage. Seller leaving refrigerator plus washer and dryer. Very close to the lovely pool area and clubhouse..... UC...$95,921

4700 Boulder Dr - Lovely 1 Bedroom/1 Bath condo in Skyline Terrace w/community pool..... SOLD...$40,000

Two Bedrooms

601 Georgia St -Spacious well maintained 2BR/2.5BA Townhome w/downstairs 1/2 bath. Low maintenance, small patio and amazing pool, plus covered assigned parking..... $99,000

4700 Boulder #2201- This 2 bedroom/1.5 bath corner unit condo w/fenced backyard is move in ready! So many updates, from floors to ceiling!..... $87,000

4700 Boulder unit 1506-Furnished 2 story move in ready 2BR/2.5BA condo w/many updates! Washer and Dryer included!!..... UC...$82,000

Three Bedrooms

27 Oaktown Park-Beautiful neighborhood in park-like setting! Open floor plan w/high ceilings and so many updates! Shady and lush private patio!..... $499,500

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2201 S County Rd 1044-Country living at its 'finest'! 9.11 sought after GREENWOOD acres, custom farmhouse wrapped fboor/plan, wrap around porch & 1000 sf storage..... $414,500

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3005 Seafin St - Top quality workmanship! Custom finishes! Beautiful granite selection, chef's kitchen w/great work space & pantry. Extra storage! Plus so much more!..Odessa..... $389,000

2112 Colt - Traditional Mahler beauty with 4 BR, 3 Baths, study, vaulted living area with fireplace..... $369,900

4704 Cristo Ln - Beautifully updated 3BR/2.5BA centrally located w/ new plank flooring, paint and huge kitchen w/island, informal & formal dining, breakfast bar. Extra storage throughout - a must see!..... $339,900

2216 Highsky Dr-Totally redone modern-feel home. Walls of glass, upscale granite, lighting, flooring, backyard pool made like new. Come inside, be wowed! Great layout..... UC...$339,000

6407 T County Rd 110-Beautiful custom TLK construction in wonderfully maintained Oakridge development. Small knockdown backyard with large covered patio. A must see!..... UC...$325,000

2101 Baybridge Ct -Simply beautiful-Move in Ready-Mike Jackson patio home resale w/so many recent updates! Open, light & bright..... SOLD...$315,000

6400 E County Rd 112 -2016 Custom Built home on over 3 acres in Greenwood! Open concept, great country home, from the rail pipe entrance to the wood finishing details inside-Fabulous!..... $300,000

2205 Windy Ave-Loved and cared for home in "old Midland". Updated kitchen, spacious bedrooms, large yard plus extra storage!..... SOLD...$298,000

2117 Chelsea Pl-Better than new and squeaky clean! Great plan and m ove in ready! 3/2 large closets, perfect kitchen and nice patio!..... SOLD...$295,500

1208 Windy Ave- Another great town house in Midkiff! Updated kitchen w/newer stainless steel appliances, granite counters, tile backsplash, and tile floors throughout! Great location! Great patio! Will not last long!..... SOLD...$294,900

2203 Glendale Ave-Charming 3BR/2BA Old Midland home in Berkshire Place with beamed hardwood floors and 5 sets of french doors..... UC...$290,000

Three Bedrooms

4025 Ft Spring Meadow Ln-Lovely Meadow Park townhouse w/tall ceilings, tile floors, spacious rooms, open plan, lots of windows, tons of storage! Great buy!..... SOLD...$240,000

2220 Cimarron Ave - Adorable 3/2 w/OLA & 2BA. Great kitchen w/dbl. ovens & gas range, island, dbl. pantries, & updated tile countertops. Spacious bedrooms. Large storage bldg in back..... UC...$236,000

2001 Pointer Ln- Beautifully designed, quality constructed, brand new Townhomes on the East side of Odessa just off of Billy Hext. LOW MAINTENANCE!...Bldg 4- Unit B and Unit C for..... $223,500

2000 Tamara Ave - Beautifully updated 3BR/2BA w/open floor plan in central location! Gorgeous tile, engineered hardwoods and crown molding!..... SOLD...$219,000

3534 Imperial - Delightful 3/2 with open kitchen/living/den plan, sequestered master, new shingles being done soon, some fresh paint, 2-car garage plus 2 car carport in rear!..... $214,900

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2300 Crestmont Dr - Beautiful 3 Bedroom/2 Bath home in Fairmont Park..... UC...$195,000

309 Thorntidge Dr-Beautifully remodeled 3/2 home w/new plank floors, granite, cabinets, lights, electrical, plumbing, windows & so much more!..... UC...$179,000

1000 Delmar -Beautifully remodeled home centrally located. So much new throughout!..... SOLD...$179,000

722 Barnard Ave - Like new w/recent windows, heat and air, granite in kitchen baths, tile flooring, upgraded elec^tical. Versatile floor plan. Low maintenance front yard, large backyard with concrete work and even a dog run..... UC...$179,000

2100 W Wadley Ave #36-Spacious condo w/2 large bedrooms. Small gated back patio and open front patio/yard within walking distance of the pool. So many updates throughout..... $109,900

4700 Boulder Dr - Low maintenance 1 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, 2-story Townhome in Skyline Terrace Subdivision..... SOLD...$105,000

Four Bedrooms

6014 Island Circle - Beautiful w/many waterfront views, fabulous Great Room. Sun room with telescoping glass walls that open to patio. Beautiful infinity proof hardwoods, granite! You'll love it!!..... $665,000

2513 Regency Oaks Ct - Beautiful MR Lary home on a cul-de-sac in Mockingbird Oaks. Wonderful Great Room, large chef's kitchen, 10' & 12' ceilings + 8' doors! WOW..... SOLD...$799,900

1102 Castle Rock Ct - Beautiful Mark Payne resale w/open floor plan, 4BR/3BA, game room, high ceilings, granite countertops in kitchen, baths, utility, just a few steps away from the walking trail area in Woodland Park. Simply terrific!..... $644,000

3300 Carrington Ct - Fabulous in Green Tree North. Many Recent updates! Open versatile plan and Traditional curb appeal! A Must See!..... $498,000

2412 Dartmouth - Lovely 4 Bedroom/3 Bath in great neighborhood in Fair Oaks Estates..... $439,000

3100 Shell Ave-Custom home on 1/2 acre lot, 6' brick/block fencing w/environmental metal gates, steel roof, choose neighborhood w/great storage, large restroom, outside dining area & workshop!..... UC...$425,000

4122 Fox Hollow Ct-Beautiful home on cul-de-sac w/many updates and wonderful floor plan! (e.g. rooms w/high ceilings, kitchen has granite, dbl. ovens, gas cooktop, pantry, island & beautiful tile floors, (e.g. formal & informal living w/fireplace, Huge loft! So much!..... $414,900

2112 Colt-Traditional Mahler beauty in central location close to Goode Park and Midland Christian School. 4BR/3BA, vaulted and beamed ceiling in Great Room, study, 2 DR/Liv areas, large utility..... UC...$369,900

210 Trinidad Place-4 BR, 3 Bath home in Woodland Park, all granite counters, wood floor thr. remainder and gorgeous!..... SOLD...$375,000

4709 Harvard-Lovely 4BDrm/2BTh home w/Hardwood Floors, High Ceilings, Tile Flooring and Wood Shutters!..... SOLD...$359,900

4401 Rosewood Dr - Spacious 4BR/3BA, In-Law plan w/open living, dining. Tons of storage plus lovely family yard & storage building. Hot Tub and fridge stay. So much for so little!..... $375,000

500 6th St - Beautifully maintained 4BR/2BA home in Stanton on one of the prettiest tree shaded streets!! Large living open to kitchen/dining area. Covered back patio w/big yard..... $298,000

1210 Golf Course Rd - Truly an "Old Midland" home. Spacious back porch, hardwoods, 3/4 of an acre lot, pretty landscaping, even a basement..... UC...$249,500

Five or More Bedrooms

4029 Island Circle -Clearest home in town! Lovely throughout and perfect for family living. Gorgeous pool w/waterfall, great yard w/entertaining area. Pretty trees (front and back). Good view of lake..... $995,000

2500 Fairmont Ct - Gorgeous updating in this 5/4.5 family home. Located on a beautiful cul-de-sac. Wonderful kitchen w/great amenities. Plus guest house!..... $842,500

Five or More Bedrooms

2620 Inwood Ct - Beautiful traditional home on cul-de-sac of nice homes, w/two-level appliances, giving a wide boulevard feel centrally located and convenient home suiting many lifestyles..... $345,000

4505 Island Circle-Impeccably maintained MR Lary resale in CT North! High ceilings throughout w/huge mother-in-law suite. Beautiful updates throughout...wonderful 4 car garage w/detached 2 car plumbed for a bath. Lovely pool & lg covered patios!...UC...$749,900

5300 Carrington Ct - Fabulous in Green Tree North. Many Recent updates! Open versatile plan and Traditional curb appeal! A Must See!..... SOLD...$498,000

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5101 S Hwy 349- Once in a lifetime opportunity for building a dream home or 2 on this 1.99 ac tract of land @ Midland Country Club..... $750,000

5703 E. Co. Rd. 89-2784 sq. ft. w/re-law plan..... $200,000

1600 E Taylor Ave, Midland - 5.446 acres of vacant land zoned commercial..... $195,000

**5800 Heather-Really nice residential lot in good neighborhood in Saddle Club South. Perfect for many buyers..... $89,500

2701 S. County Rd. 1118-Prime location 1.338 acres. to build a home that could face either South County Road 1118 or East County Road 90..... $87,000

Commercial Investment Property

2609 S. Co. Rd. 1298, Midland, Tx.-Includes 5 buildings on 5.052 acres. Total of 50,025 sq. ft..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Hall 682-1111

301 S. Lark Hwy., Odessa, Tx.-Includes 3 tracts with 3 buildings. Total square footage of 24,562 with both office buildings, warehouses, and a truck maintenance shop..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Hall 682-1111

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2930 W Louisiana Ave-Location, Location, Location this 45 room facility originally built in 1954 when additions since..... $2,300,000

2211 S. County Rd. 1129-Greenwood property! 3 bdrm/2.5 bth home on 20 acres..... $195,000

10001 W CR 72, Midland- 5.220 acres; 4,200 sq. ft. office built in 2015. 2 equipoter buildings to house overnight drivers. Perfect truck yard..... $750,000

11525 W Hwy 158, Gaines City- 20 acres of Ranch/Pasture land w/a 2,300 sq. ft. home- 4 bed, 3 bath, wrap house granite..... $600,000

1730 FM 1936-Odessa, TX-Two warehouse/shop buildings, fenced yard, city water- 480 sq. ft. office space..... $230,000

0 Cotton Flat Rd.-Zoned Industrial Park..... $160,000

Out of Town Properties

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RESIDENTIAL

4007 Rio Dr..... 3 Bdrm/1.5 Ba/1 Car Garage..... D/C

1411 Custer Ave..... Odessa/3 Bdrm/1 Ba..... D/C

4308 Douglas..... 2 Bdrm/2 Ba..... $161,500

1214 Sinclair Ave..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage..... D/C

3510 Rio Grande Ave..... 3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage..... D/C

2007 Sabine Dr..... 4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage..... $199,000

4000 Stanhedge Dr..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage..... D/C

2013 Woodhaven Dr..... 4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage..... $349,000

6100 Timberlon Gate Blvd..... 4 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/3 Car Garage..... $699,000

NEW CONSTRUCTION

4201 San Pedro Ct..... Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage..... D/C

6309 Balfour Ct..... Carrasco Homes/5 Bdrm/5 Ba/3 Car Garage..... D/C

1309 Desert Rose..... Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/2 Car Garage..... D/C

6400 Stanhedge Dr..... Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage..... D/C

6301 Dunraven Ct..... Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage..... D/C

7305 E. Co. Rd. 113..... Richard Davis Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage..... $543,710

6311 Balfour Ct..... Diamond Homes, 4 Bdrm/3 Ba, 3 Car Garage..... SOLD

6309 Dunraven Ct..... Ashington Homes, 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage..... D/C

7309 E. Co. Rd. 114..... Crystal Homes/5 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage..... $549,500

7213 E. Co. Rd. 113..... Midland Gallery Homes/4 Bdrm/4 Ba/3 Car Garage..... $698,500

SUBURBAN/ACREAGE

2372 Co. Rd. 2021..... Stanton/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home..... $130,000

7303 Co. Rd. 2021..... Stanton/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage..... D/C

12300 W. Co. Rd. 86..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2.5 Acres..... $330,000

3700 S. Co. Rd. 1184..... 3 Bdrm/2 Full Ba/2 Half Ba/1 Carport..... $379,900

12544 E. Goldenrod Drive..... Scarborough/20.04 Acres..... $415,000

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

43 East Industrial Loop..... 4000 Sq. Ft./1.75 Acres..... $329,000

107 S. Marienfield..... 11,000 Sq. Ft..... $750,000

OUT OF TOWN PROPERTIES

82 Co. Rd. 2021..... Andrews/10 acres..... $65,000

1100 E. Co. Rd. 2021..... Stanton/10 Acres..... $130,000

1401 2021 170..... Big Spring/20 Acres..... $120,000

12 Co. Rd. 2200..... Stanton/10 acres..... $200,000

E. Co. Rd. 2200..... Stanton/11.24 acres..... $225,000

0 E. Co. Rd. 2021..... Stanton/41.72 Acres..... $417,200

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LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Proposals will be accepted by the County Purchasing Agent, located in Suite 1101 of the Midland County Courthouse, 500 N. Loraine Street, Midland, Texas 79701 until 10:00 A.M., Local Time, January 11, 2018. The proposals will be opened and acknowledged at 10:05AM., Local Time, January 11, 2018.

Generally, the Commissioners Court selection will be made within 30 days. Interested parties are invited to attend the proposal acknowledgment and the Commissioners Court meeting.

RFP 17MCO528 –PAVING SO AND CSCD PARKING LOTS

A MANDATORY survey will be held at 9:00 A.M. on Monday, December 18, 2017 at the Midland County Sheriff's Office. We will meet in the lobby of the William B. Adlers Justice Center building.

Midland County reserves the right to reject any or all of the responses, to waive all formalities, and to withdraw the RFP at any time.

The RFP will be available on Monday December 11, 2017. Information may be obtained from the County Purchasing Agent's Office 432-688-4872 or pur103@co.midland.tx.us or on the Midland County Purchasing webpage www.co.midland.tx.us/departments/purchasing.

Kristy Engeldahl
Midland County Purchasing Agent

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to the Decree and Order for Partition by Public Sale entered in Cause No. 7 I 04 in the I I 8 t h District Court in Martin County, Texas, the following property will be sold by public auction:

THE SURFACE ONLY OF SECTION 43, BLOCK 37, TOWNSHIP 1 NORTH, TEXAS & PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 233, MARTIN COUNTY, TEXAS, CONTAINING 640.81 ACRES OF LAND, MORE OR LESS.

Such sale will be for cash, which may also be in the form of certified funds. The public auction will take place in front of the northeast corner of the Martin County Courthouse on the 2nd day of January, 2018 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

For information about the property, please contact Brent Preston at (806) 470-0464.

Notice Of Application For Fluid Injection Well Permit

XTO Energy, Inc., Opr. No. 945936, 500 W. Illinois Street, Suite 100, Midland, Texas 79701 applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas to amend an existing injection permit to inject produced water and salt water into a porous formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of these fluids into the Clearfork and Wichita Formations in the Fullerton Clearfork Unit Lease, well number 2014W. The proposed injection well is located 20 miles West from Andrews in the Fullerton Field, in Andrews County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 5680' - 7300' feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Request for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

Public Notice
Proposal #2018-007

Midland College District is accepting competitive sealed proposals for hydraulic training systems. Proposal packets may be picked up Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., in the Purchasing Office, located at 3600 N Garfield, Midland, Texas. **Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, January 4, 2018** in the Purchasing Office, at which time they will be opened and vendor names read into record. For proposal packet information contact Barbara Fennell, Director of Purchasing, (432)686-4250 or bfennell@midland.edu. A final determination may be made at a future board meeting. The College reserves the right to accept or reject any and or all bids submitted.

Legal and Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for the project entitled: **Texas Tech Behavioral Health Tenant Finish Out/ Renovation** at Midland Memorial Hospital, 2301 W. Michigan Avenue, Midland, Texas, 79701.

Bidders may contact Jonathan Greening for bid documents and questions on or after Wednesday, December 6, 2017.

Jonathan Greening
400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway
Midland, Texas 79701
Telephone: 1-432-221-4892
Jonathan.Greening@Midlandhealth.org

Pre-Bid conferences will be held on December 19, 2017 and January 9, 2018 at 2:00 p.m. at jobsite location, 2301 W. Michigan Avenue, Midland, Texas. All interested Sub-Contractors are encouraged to attend.

A Bid Bond in an amount of not less than five percent (5%) will be required for all bids. The successful bidder will be required to enter into a general contract with the Midland County Hospital District. Payment and Performance Bonds in the amount of one hundred percent (100%) of the contract price will be required by Owner upon contract execution.

Three (3) hard copies and one (1) Electronic copy of all bids must be received in the Department of Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital - Main Campus, 400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway, Midland, Texas, 79701, by **2:00 PM, Tuesday, January 16, 2018. Under no circumstances will bids received beyond January 16, 2018, 2:00 PM be accepted.**

All bids must be sealed and labeled **"BID # 1235-120617 Enclosed"**.

Faxed bids from bidders will not be accepted.

All bids must be price protected until May 11, 2018.

All bids will remain confidential until after an award has been made. Vendors will then be allowed to review the bids in the purchasing office according to the policy/procedure of Midland Memorial Hospital. Midland County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

Bids shall be addressed to:
Amy Jean Fultz
Director of Supply Chain
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Memorial Hospital
400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway
Midland, Texas 79701
Amy.Fultz@midlandhealth.org

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is Requesting Proposals for:

Security System
for
Midland Memorial Hospital

Specifications may be secured at **Materials Management** of Midland Memorial Hospital located at 400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway, Midland TX 79701 on or after **Wednesday, December 6th, 2017**.

All proposals must be received in the Department of Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital by **12 Noon, Tuesday, December 19th, 2017**.

All proposals must be sealed and labeled **"RFP # 1236-120617"**.

Under no circumstances will faxed proposals from bidders be accepted.

All proposals must be price protected until **December 19th, 2018**.

All proposals will remain confidential until after an award has been made. Offerors will then be allowed to review the proposals in the purchasing office according to the policy and procedures of Midland Memorial Hospital. Midland County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

Proposals shall be addressed to:
Rachel Hanna Jones
Director of Supply Chain
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Memorial Hospital
400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Pkwy
Midland, Texas 79701
rhanna@midlandhealth.org

Public Notice

Permian Basin Community Centers for MHMR (PBCC) is seeking proposals for:

Replacement of the roof and related components at our facility located at 2000 W. Maurice Road in Odessa, Texas named Turning Point. Specifications are provided in an Insurance Adjuster's Loss Report which is attached to the RFP as Appendix A and include replacement of a metal R-Panel roof, roof components, roof top ventilators and trims including rain gutters that were damaged in a June 2017 hail storm.

PBCC intends to enter into an agreement to purchase materials and labor developed into a comprehensive fixed-price bid that includes all components stated. The project includes approximately 6,595 square feet of R-metal roof for the second story and 5,576 square foot of R-metal roof for the lower portion of the building, in addition to, 472 square feet of metal for the roof and 828 square foot of metal for the wall for a nearby shed on the property.

Bids must include all costs for roof removal, disposal, replacement, labor and cleanup.

A copy of the Request for Proposal (RFP) may be obtained by submitting a written or faxed request for the RFP to:
Permian Basin Community Centers
401 E. Illinois
Midland, Texas 79701
Contact: Cynthia Brown
purchasing@pbmhmr.com
Phone: 432-570-3397
Fax: 432-570-3428

Completed proposals will be due no later than **5:00 p.m. Wednesday, January 3rd, 2018.**

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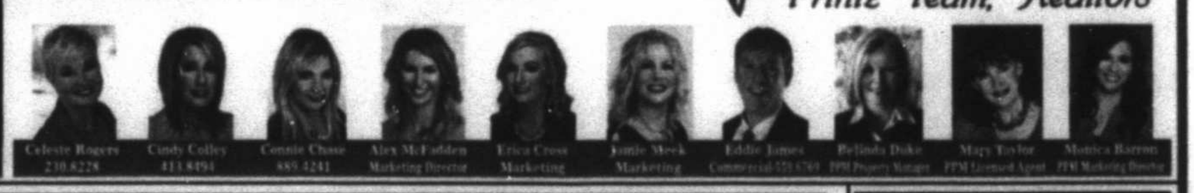
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6312 Edinburgh Drive-Magnificent mansion on 2.5 acres(7400 sqft)- Totally updated! 4 bed/4 full bath+3 half bath/6 living/5 fireplaces & dazzling pool, outdoor kitchen & bar on lushly landscaped grounds! No detail left undone! Hardwoods, soaring ceilings & winding staircase! **$995,000**

2513 Homeland Dr.-Stunning home completed in 2017 w/dazzling pool on landscaped corner! 5 bed/5.5 bath/4 living (great room, formal, media, study)+ 2 study areas w/ built-in desks! Oversized 4 car gar w/living space! Patio w/fireplace!..... **$899,900**

2109 Deseona Lane-Spectacular 6 bed/6 full bath+3 half bath/10 living (studies, theater, formals, great room, game rooms, gym)/2 kitchens/ 7384sqft. (per appr)! Dazzling pool, iron doors, theater complete w/ chairs, equip & fridge! **$899,900**

13201 ECR 116-Stunning 4 bed/4.5 bath/4 living (great, game, study upstairs loft)/3 gar home w/workshop on 1.8 acres in gated community! Irrigated, fenced, grounds w/enormous patio w/bbq area & fireplace! Triple side-entry garage! **$845,000**

6810 Island Cir.-Fabulous location on the lake in Green Tree North (.625 acre lot)! 2-story home w/ 5 bedrooms/4.5 bath/4 living (formal, great room, study, game room)/2 dining/5 car garage! 2 fireplaces! Lg. back patio & pergola! **$825,000**

4310 Coyote Trail-Absolutely fabulous home on 1.33 acres---country living with convenience! 4 Spacious bed/3.5 bath/2 dining/4 living (great room, media room, formal living, study)/3 car gar-4-parking in workshop (1225 sqft) w/2 gar doors & rv parking! Fantastic swim spa recently added!..... **$769,000**

809 Crested Butte Ct.-Spectacular custom 4 bed/4.5 bath/3 living (media, great, formal) or 5 bed (media has closet)/4 car gar! Gourmet kitchen w/huge island, stainless appli, gas cooktop, ice maker & granite thru-out! Lovely landscaped! **$725,000**

7004 Calen Ct.-Spectacular 5 bed/5 living (great room, formal, game/media room, study, sunroom)/2 dining/4 car garage home w/ dazzling pool & high brick privacy fence! 2 fireplaces, built-ins, gourmet kitchen w/ granite! **$620,000**

10310 SCR 1210-Fantastic unique property! 1.2 acres w/ runway, hanger, office & living accommodations! 50x76 hanger w/ retractable door! 2-story w/ 5 bedrooms/6 full baths/3 living/3 dining/2 car garage w/ workshop! **$569,500**

2501 HCR 1275-Spectacular 4 bed/ 3 bath/2 living/2 dining home w/3 gar & RV hookup on 1.24 acres in lovely Estrada Estates! Granite thru-out, gourmet kitchen w/ top stainless appl! Private backyard that extends beyond fencing! **$499,900**

4004 Crestwood Ave.-Spectacular find! Huge 4 bed/2.5 bath/2 dining area, 2 living area (den, game) home w/dazzling pool! Very spacious bed, closets & lg. living areas! Super low maint, backyard & lovely landscaped front yard! **$389,900**

2900 N Garfield St.-Executive style townhouse w/ 3 bed (downstairs master w/ 2 baths)/4.5 baths/2 living areas (great room+upstairs study)/2 dining/wet bar/2 fireplaces & 3 car gar! Low maint front courtyard & pool/hot tub & cabana area in back! **$375,000**

1303 Pueblo-Absolutely fabulous & updated to the max! Recent everything! 4 bed/2.5 bath/2 living (small formal,large great room)...on .77 acre lot! Gourmet kitchen! **$339,900**

1004 N Main St.-Beautiful custom built home! 5 bed/3 bath/2 living (formal, great room) w/ 6 car parking pad! Gourmet kitchen, soaring ceilings & recessed lighting! Guest quarters w/full kitchen & bath! Lg. backyard w/ covered patio! **$300,000**

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

5211 Wimberley Spring Court-Beautiful 3 bed/2.5 bath plus office/study w/ oversized 2 car gar in Greenhouse! Spacious open concept w/tile flooring & granite thru-out! Covered porch, storage shed & rv pad in backyard! **$410,000**

2302 Haynes Dr.-Incredible find- fantastic price! Superbly updated 3 bed/3.5 bath/2 living/2 car gar low maint townhouse w/lovely (small) landscaped backyard! Master suite is huge- 2 full baths & 2 walk-in closets! **$275,000**

1308 E Spruce-Wow! What a fantastic find! 3 bed/2 bath/2 car gar! Gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances, gas cooktop, dishwasher, microwave & pantry! Custom finishes on cabinets & gorgeous bronze fixtures! **$230,000**

1316 E Spruce-Wow! What a fantastic find! 3 bed/2 bath/2 car gar! Gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances, gas cooktop, dishwasher, microwave & pantry! Custom finishes on cabinets & gorgeous bronze fixtures! **$219,900**

1312 E Spruce-Wow! What a fantastic find! 3 bed/2 bath/2 car gar! Gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances, gas cooktop, dishwasher, microwave & pantry! Custom finishes on cabinets & gorgeous bronze fixtures! **$219,900**

1304 Spruce Ave.-Wow! What a fantastic find! 3 bed/2 bath/2 car gar! Gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances, gas cooktop, dishwasher, microwave & pantry! Custom finishes on cabinets & gorgeous bronze fixtures! **$219,900**

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4017 Rio Dr. -Super, super cute 3 bedroom/2 bath/great room/breakfast area/2 car gar home on corner lot! Lots of recent updates including windows, roof, hvac, water heater & gas stove! **$169,900**

1200 Alameda Ct.-(Odessa) Absolutely darling! 3 bed/2 bath w/open concept living/kitchen/dining! Custom designed brick & wrought iron fence in front/wood fence in back! Huge backyard on corner lot! Must see! **$149,900**

7202 ECR 60-Fantastic and well maintained 3 bed/2 bath mobile home sitting on a 1.1 acre corner lot! Open floor plan w/kitchen/breakfast dining & great room! Sequestered master w/garden tub & dual sinks! **$100,000**

501 #15 W Scharbauer Dr.-Very nice 2 bed/1.5 bath- 2 story townhome! New carpet & paint, updated light fixtures & AC unit! Spacious bed with his/her closets. Covered patio w/small fenced yard! Maint. free, public laundry & community pool! **$97,000**

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2014 Carver-0.133 acre lot in Sun Garden Village! **$44,000**

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9900 Cowboy Dr ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
3010 W Ohio Ave. ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
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2907 Princeton Ave ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
200 CR 130 ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
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3015 Amelia ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
45 Lafayette Pl ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
4010 Rustic Tr ..... UNDER CONTRACT IN 1 DAY!
3303 Rio Mar Court ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
5012 Oak Creek Dr ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
2902 Shandon Ave ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
4013 Rustic Tr ..... SOLD!
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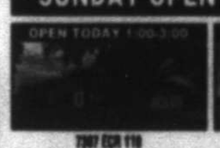
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$329,000



OPEN TODAY 2:00-3:30

7001 Trenton Dr
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$799,900
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OPEN TODAY 2:00-3:30

4300 Wood Dr
Absolutely stunning 4 bedroom, 3 bath home in Westmoreland Heights! Enormous living area w/walls of windows, rock fireplace & designer lighting! Gourmet kitchen w/high-end appliances, granite bar area! Breathtaking patio area with open view!
$624,900
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FANTASTIC! REDUCED

3400 Meadowridge Ln
Fabulous 4 bedroom, 4 bath, 3 huge living areas, 2 fireplaces! Formal dining room area w/hardwood flooring! Granite counter tops in kitchen, double-ovens! All baths are updated! Walk-in bath-ins, plantation shutters, crown molding! Spectacular pool & hot tub!
$539,500



AWESOME!

317 S. Grant, Odessa
Property to be sold "AS IS". Main building over 12,000 sq ft, roof recently re-done, 3 large bays, 3 front offices, 3 baths. Large storage area. New 3 bedroom, 1 bath apartment. Equipment available, but sold separately. So many uses for this property!!
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713 W Indiana Ave
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SUPER!

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Neat contemporary pad. High ceilings with large living area and dining. Cozy breakfast room off the kitchen den area. Master bedroom has 2 huge walk in closets and oversized bath. Easy to cross. New Fence & New AC.
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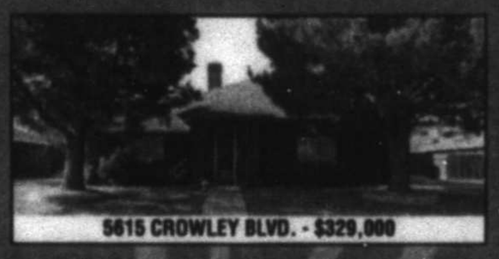

6300 OJIBWA - $495,000


6108 WICHITA CT. - $443,500


1322 TERRA CT. - $350,000


5721 SAN SABA AVE. - $345,000


2828 DURANT DR. - $345,000


5615 CROWLEY BLVD. - $329,000


2512 KESWICK RD. - $325,000


5707 LLANO CT. - $325,000


3204 APPERSON DR. - $325,000


2407 TERRACE AVE. - $300,000


905 PINE CT. - $293,000


3405 STOREY AVE. - $210,000


600 LIDDON #49 - $80,000


4700 BOULDER DR #407 - $50,000

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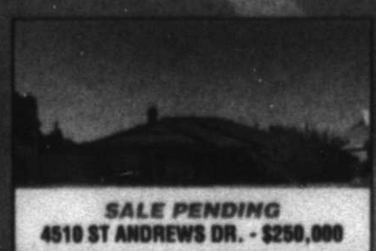

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802 W OHIO AVE. - $345,000


SALE PENDING
4911 WOODHOLLOW DR. - $330,000


SALE PENDING
6604 COLONY RD. - $329,000


SALE PENDING
4701 FROST PL. - $325,000


SALE PENDING
6210 SPAHN ST. - $285,000


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4510 ST ANDREWS DR. - $250,000

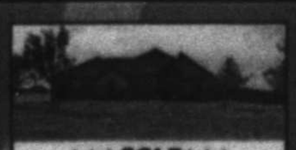

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3104 DOUGLAS DR. - $200,000


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1511 PUEBLO - $150,000

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$995,000


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6704 E. CO. RD. 107
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5406 CROWLEY BLVD.
$285,000


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2209 STANOLIND AVE.
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5602 SAN SABA CT.
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Interview Tips & Mistakes

Your resume was impressive enough to push you to the interview phase for a possible new position. Now it's up to you to perform in person. No pressure.



Actually, pressure is a very real part of the job interview. It's how you channel that pressure that will determine your chances of landing the job.

One great way of overcoming stress in the interview is through preparation. Before sitting down with a hiring manager, here's how you should prepare:

• Research your prospective company. If you're applying for a marketing position, knowing which recent campaigns a company has launched can position you well for the question, "What do you know about our company and what we're trying to achieve here?"

• Write down interview questions you may be asked. You can find some general ones through simple online searches. Practice answering them, and then practice answering them again. Practice in front of the mirror, in front of family members and in front of a video camera. Watch yourself and incorporate any feedback from your audience members to strengthen your execution.

CRITICAL MISTAKES

According to a Harris Interactive poll, hiring managers and recruiters identified answering a call or text as one of the most critical job interview mistakes a candidate can make. To avoid this gaffe, consider leaving your phone in the car.

Another common mistake made by interviewees is appearing uninterested and failing to make eye contact. Look your interviewer in the eye and sell yourself. If you don't, no one else will.

DISPARAGING YOUR OLD BOSS

Nothing says "pot-stirrer" like someone going on and on about the incompetence of a prior boss. This can leave your interviewer feeling uneasy about trusting you to make positive relationships with new bosses.

Even if you're feeling a little less than thrilled with former employers, it is important to keep your feelings suppressed in a job interview setting.

Doing so will make you appear professional and mature, as opposed to bitter and problematic — two characteristics that no employer wants in their employees.

Let Your Achievements Shine

Your resume is a like a complex jigsaw puzzle. If any pieces are missing, you will sell yourself short on showcasing the complete picture of you.



The most important aspect of your resume can be the key achievements that have defined your career up to this point. These bites of information are what make you different from others applying for the same positions because no one will have achieved exactly what you have.

You can let companies know that you understand the importance of results by strategically including them both within your key summary and within your job descriptions.

FRONT-LOADED ACHIEVEMENTS

One of the most effective resume-writing tactics is to list your achievements in a front-loaded fashion. What does this mean?

Here is an example that shows the difference between a standard and front-loaded achievement:

Standard: Developed new paperless system to improve company savings by $4,000 per year

Front-Loaded: Catalyzed $4,000 in annual savings via development and implementation of innovative paperless system

The actual achievement comes first and is followed by the steps you took to get there.

ALL ABOUT THE NUMBERS

For certain industries, numbers tell the story of your success. Leaving them off your resume can hurt your chances of being hired.

Sales professionals make their career on the numbers: Achieving X dollars in territory growth or establishing relationships with a new account that captured X dollars in new revenue.

Recruiters and hiring managers in the sales and marketing industries are trained to spot these achievements on a resume, so include them in your job descriptions.

To give your document an effective balance, list your main tasks for each job description in paragraph form (three to four sentences) and your achievements in bullets.

This will help reviewers differentiate between the two for a seamless analysis of what you bring to the table.

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6108 Wichita Ct $443,500

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1322 Terra Ct $350,000

Wow! Spacious 4 bed 3 bath 2 living in prestigious area! Established neighborhood with close access to main roads! Formal living area! Great family room includes gas log fireplace! Open kitchen floor plan with breakfast nook overlooking backyard! Sequestered master suite offers vaulted ceilings, double sink vanity, separate bath & tub also has his/her closets! Nice bedrooms with jack & jill baths!



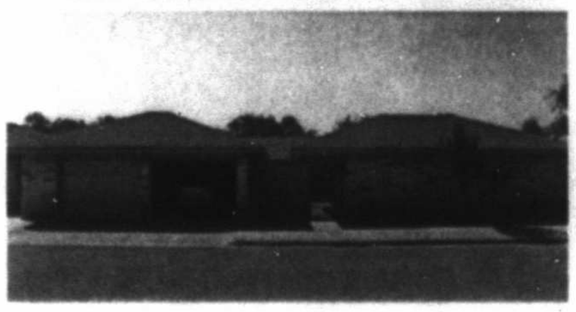
2828 Durant Dr $345,000

Spacious 4 bed 2 bath 3 living areas on corner lot! Formal living & formal dining have abundance of sunlight from front windows! Wood burning fireplace in den area! Huge gameroom with beautiful view of backyard! Amazing kitchen has all stainless steel appliances, great breakfast nook & inside utility room! Stunning hard wood flooring throughout! Master has his/her closets & walk in shower!



5615 Crowley Blvd $329,000

Spacious 4 bed 3 bath 2 dining area with amazing kitchen! Beautiful high ceilings throughout! Enjoy the view in the living area with a wood burning fireplace & big bay windows overlooking backyard! Huge sequestered master suite 3 separate closets, double sided vanities, walk in shower & soaking tub! Each bedroom has great walk in closet space! Covered patio & parking pad in backyard! Wonderful location!



905 Pine Ct $293,000

Great low maintenance 3 bed 2.5 bath in established neighborhood offers close access to main roads! Spacious living area with fireplace overlooks open courtyard area! Recent mulch in planter beds in courtyard! So much space throughout bedrooms & baths! Master suite offers double sinks in vanity, separate tub/shower with huge walk in closet! Closet space galore throughout! Recent ac, paint in kitchen & flooring!

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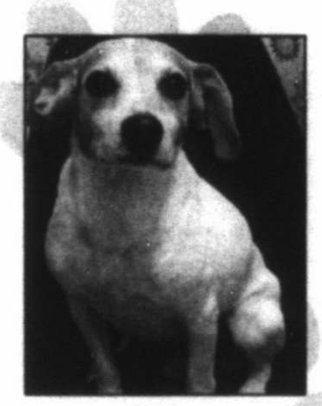
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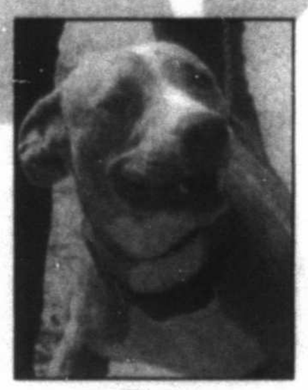
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3304 HAMAR CT....Karen Foster ..... MLS #50011311 ..... $639,000
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3305 EDGEMONT DR....Leah Watkins $239,000
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2202 N. D ST....Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50011463 ..... $225,000
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5203 E. CO. RD. 1065....Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50009655 ..... SALE PENDING
7213 E. CO. RD. 114, GREENWOOD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50009497 ..... $630,000
7186 E. CO. RD. 114...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50009494 ..... SALE PENDING
7110 E. CO. RD. 114...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50010571 ..... $510,000
3009 E. CO. RD. 1057, GREENWOOD...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50011257 ..... $489,000
12197 W. CO. RD. 52...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ..... MLS #108236 ..... $484,900
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1509 S. CO. RD. 1110, GREENWOOD...Darla Davis ..... MLS #50011618 ..... $310,000
1902 E. CO. RD. 120...Andrea Snell 559-4412 ..... MLS #50008114 ..... SALE PENDING
3700 W. CO. RD. 145...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... $309,900
3700 W. CO. RD. 145....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50008046, 10 Acres/$300,000
7300 E. CO. RD. 91...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... SALE PENDING
10999 E. CO. RD. 100...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ..... MLS #108961, 0.51 Acres/$295,000
9103 W. CO. RD. 100...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ..... MLS #50011570 ..... $269,000
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10001 E. CO. RD. 104, GREENWOOD....Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... SALE PENDING
4610 N. CO. RD. 1270...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #50008450 ..... SALE PENDING
7600 E. CO. RD. 66....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50011838 ..... $194,000

HOMES OUTSIDE OF MIDLAND COUNTY

14800 SR N., BROWNWOOD, TX....Donna Omar 349-1458 ..... MLS #50008668 ..... $990,500
CO. RD. 348A, COMANCHE TX....Melody Carroll ..... MLS #50011044 ..... 196.301 Acres/$750,000
5011 CO. RD. 1214....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50011954 ..... $475,000
401 4TH ST., STANTON, TX...Lisa Russell ..... MLS #50004541 ....
14 SUSSEX DR., ODESSA...Jerrilyn Garrisom 202-0276 ..... MLS #105380 ..... $340,000
3016 SAN PEDRO, ODESSA...Jerrilyn Garrisom 202-0276 ..... MLS #50005362 ..... $315,000
COLORADO CITY....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50008943, 10 Acres/$300,000
3039 CO. RD. 318, HUBBARD CREEK LAKE-BREKENRIDGE....Jose Alvarez $275,000
6909 KING RANCH RD., ODESSA....Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... $260,000
4610 N. CO. RD. 1270...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #50009485 ..... $249,500
6955 STT, ODESSA....Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... SALE PENDING
6203 SCR 1185....Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #50008719 ..... $210,000
1710 ROSEWOOD AVE., ODESSA....Darla Davis ..... MLS #50011852 ..... $205,000
8725 CORNELL AVE., ODESSA....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #102876 ..... $204,000
1100 E. 44TH, ODESSA....Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #50007312 ..... $200,000
2201 S. 3RD, LAMESA....Larry Hatfield 349-4768 ..... MLS #50008073 ..... $195,900
400 OLD COURSE RD....Amanda Gunter ..... MLS #104104 ..... $195,000
400 E. 50TH STREET, ODESSA...Amanda Gunter 413-7330 ..... $189,900
14241 LOYOLA, GARDENDALE....Leah Watkins ..... MLS #50002358 ..... $189,000
5421 LAMAR AVE., ODESSA....Darla Davis ..... MLS #105231 ..... $175,000
812 CORONADO....Jerrilyn Garrisom 202-0276 ..... MLS #100010 ..... $169,000
10075 E. EMERSON ST., GARDENDALE....Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #50004438 ..... $133,000
5252 LAKE CO. RD. 256....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #108038 ..... $99,400
11670 GRAHAM WAY....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50006064 ..... SALE PENDING
300 N. AVENUE O, LAMESA....Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50007972 ..... SALE PENDING

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

0 LOOP 250....Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50010731 ..... $1,717,500
4309 S. CO. RD. 1131, GREENWOOD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50007543 Acres/$1,375,000
5700 FM 307....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50005743 ..... $800,000
5904 N. CO. RD. 1150...DeLaura Gammage 289-3880 ..... MLS #50011407 ..... $500,000
4502 N. MIDKIFF....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50011741 ..... SALE PENDING
1201 N. CO. RD. 1191...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50010162 ..... SALE PENDING
200 S. COLLEGE, STANTON...Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50007703 ..... $305,000
1913 MCCALL, ODESSA....Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50010655 ..... $299,900
401 MIDLAND DR....Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ..... MLS #103887 ..... $90,000

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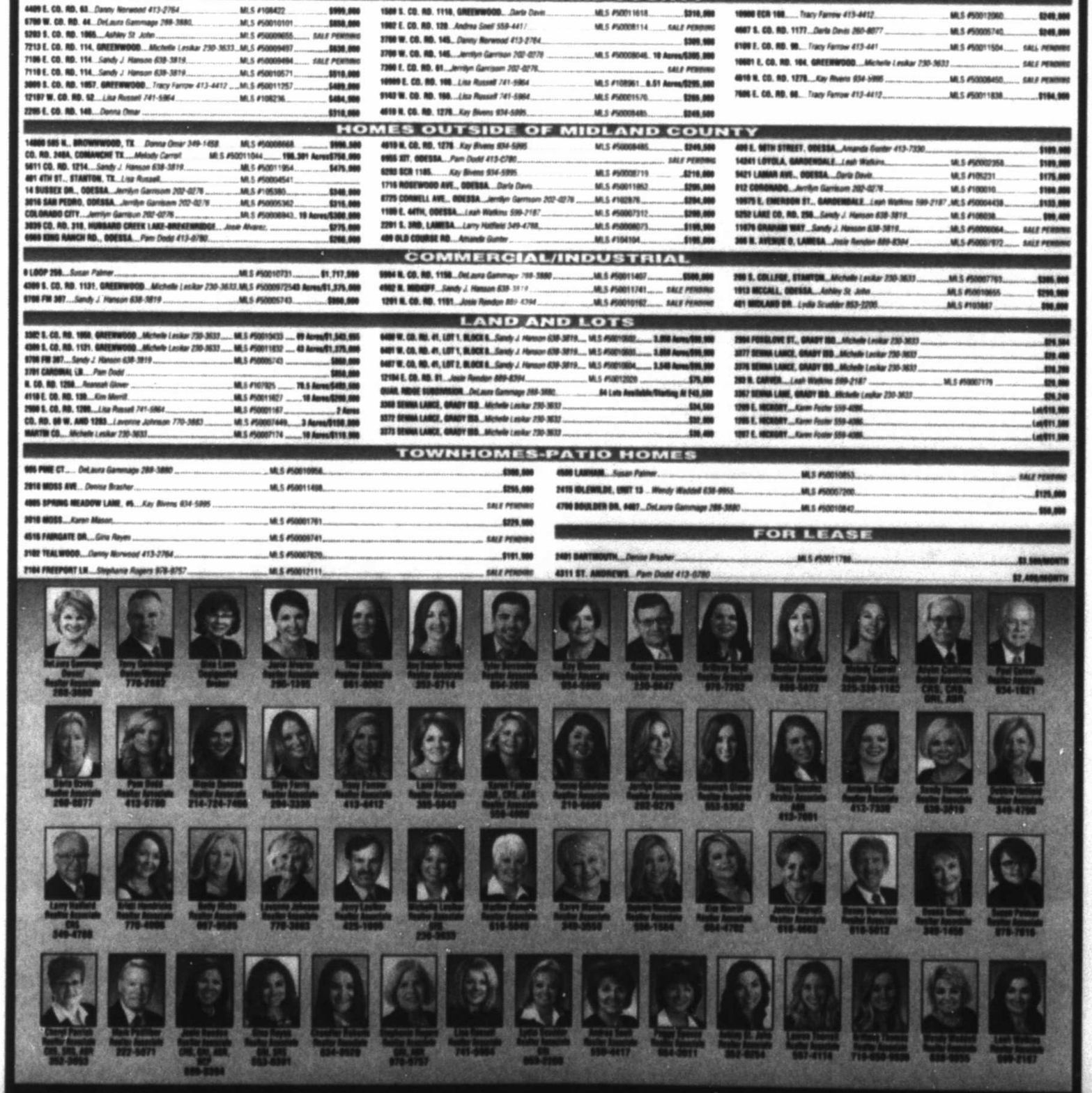
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3701 CARDINAL LN....Pam Dodd $650,000
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2900 S. CO. RD. 1200....Lisa Russell 741-5964 ..... MLS #50001167 ..... 7 Acres
CO. RD. 60 W. AND 1283....Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 ..... MLS #50007449, 3 Acres/$150,000
MARTIN CO....Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50007174 ..... 10 Acres/$110,000
6400 W. CO. RD. 41, LOT 1, BLOCK 6...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50010502 ..... 5.000 Acres/$90,000
6401 W. CO. RD. 41, LOT 1, BLOCK 5...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50010505 ..... 5.000 Acres/$90,000
6407 W. CO. RD. 41, LOT 2, BLOCK 6...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50010504 ..... 5.040 Acres/$90,000
12104 E. CO. RD. 91...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50012020 ..... $75,000
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3368 SENNA LANE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... $34,500
3372 SENNA LANE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... $32,000
3373 SENNA LANE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... $30,400
2904 FOXGLOVE ST., GRADY ISD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... $29,504
3377 SENNA LANCE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... $29,400
3376 SENNA LANCE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... $29,260
200 N. CARVER....Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #50007176 ..... $25,000
3367 SENNA LANE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633 ..... $24,240
1200 E. HICKORY....Karen Foster 559-4286 ..... Lot/$10,500
1205 E. HICKORY....Karen Foster 559-4286 ..... Lot/$11,500
1207 E. HICKORY....Karen Foster 559-4286 ..... Lot/$11,500

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905 PINE CT....DeLaura Gammage 289-3880 ..... MLS #50010956 ..... $300,000
2018 MOSS AVE....Denise Brasher ..... MLS #50011408 ..... $255,000
4005 SPRING MEADOW LANE, #5....Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... SALE PENDING
3018 MOSS....Karen Mason ..... MLS #50001761 ..... $229,000
4515 FAIRGATE DR....Cira Reyes ..... MLS #50009741 ..... SALE PENDING
2102 TEALWOOD....Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... MLS #50007020 ..... $191,500
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4500 LAMHAM....Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50010853 ..... SALE PENDING
2415 IDLEWILDE, UNIT 13 ..Wendy Waddell 638-9955 ..... MLS #50007200 ..... $125,000
4700 BOULDER DR, #407...DeLaura Gammage 289-3880 ..... MLS #50010842 ..... $50,000

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Symphonies and dance halls find an ally in Asleep at the Wheel frontman Ray Benson

By Rich Lopez
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Ray Benson and his western swing band Asleep at the Wheel have been part of the fabric of Texas music culture since 1973. Willie Nelson, Robert Earl Keen and Dale Watson read like a list of music icons from the Lone Star state, but they are also Benson's friends and contemporaries. Benson is important to Texas music today and yesterday, but it was the tuba that got him on his way.

"I played the tuba for the orchestra in high school," he said in a phone interview from Austin.

Benson also played bass fiddle, but the tuba made some kind of impression on him. He enjoyed playing in brass quintets during the holidays. He even joined some jazz combos.

His time playing in the high school orchestra and marching band is what led him all the way to Thursday's performance benefiting the Midland Odessa Symphony and Chorale.

"Oh, yeah, that time really taught me about music but I didn't know I was gonna be a professional musician," he said. "The only advice I got at that time was that if I wanted to play the tuba, I wasn't going to meet any girls."

If you go

"Merry Texas Christmas Y'all" with Asleep at the Wheel benefiting the Midland Odessa Symphony and Chorale. 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $25-$75. MOSC.org.

Now he supports symphonies and orchestras as much as he can. The band has teamed up with MOSC before, and he's also played with other symphonies throughout the state. He can even relate to them in his own way.

"Music is so important, and it can be difficult with all the players. I got a big band with eight members and that's tough to keep going. So I love supporting music organizations like the symphony with all their players. The cities that have a symphony or orchestra — those are the lucky ones," he said.

Benson, a former member of the Texas Cultural Trust, is in full support of the arts as organizations struggle to obtain funding. He said the arts generate an economy but also are nice to have. He said the main thing is, the arts make life better.

And for musically inclined youth, there's an added benefit.

"For young people, music really opens up the brain and can translate into far many other things," he said. "That's what happens when you include music in your life and appreciate the great music of the world."

Benson's appreciation for music culture goes in another direction as well. He supports and promotes the work by the nonprofit Texas Dance Hall Preservation that endeavors to save dance halls and their culture.

"That's where we started," Benson said. "We were living in the Bay area in California before coming to Texas, and they had no idea how to dance to this music there. We came to Texas and played nothing but dance halls with people doing the two-step and Cotton-Eyed Joe."

The band has performed on the Texas Dance Hall Tour, bringing out people for a night of dancing to live music to perpetuate the Texana aspect.

"In smaller towns, they are falling down. But they weren't just dance halls; they were community gathering places. And they were all over. There's still about 400 left," he said.

Gruene Hall in New Braunfels is one of the more familiar and famous ones, and Sons of Hermann Hall in Dallas continues to host dance nights and campfire jams.

Many of the old halls were built by German or Czech communities in Central and East Texas. But Benson said West Texas had its share.

"There was a line of them throughout the area, I believe, starting in Lubbock," he said. "These are the places where Ray Price, George Strait and Willie cut their teeth. It's our history."

He isn't sure if folks will be dancing at the Wagner Noel, but he hopes some will get up during the band's "Merry Texas Christmas Y'all" show.

With three albums and a streak of clever humor, Asleep at the Wheel has embraced the holiday but also practically defined Christmas in Texas.

"The nice thing about Christmas music is it's secular and religious so it's good for everyone. But we like doing it our own way with our western swing and sense of humor — which people can tell when we perform 'Christmas in Jail,'" Benson said.

5 QUESTIONS

With Scott Aycock | MCT musical director


Aycock

Midlander Scott Aycock is a Sweetwater native who he often works with Midland Community Theatre. His work can be heard from the music pit where he's served as a musical director. He also has performed onstage. He is a software development supervisor for Warren Equipment Co., and previously he worked at Warren CAT as a controller and worked in public accounting for Price Waterhouse.

The Texas Tech alum and his wife, Cyndi, have a daughter, Rebecca. They also volunteer at the theater, making it a family affair. Aycock serves as the assistant musical director in MCT's current show "Miracle on the 34th Street: The Musical," which closes Saturday.

MRT: What's been your proudest achievement in theater or music?

Aycock: Just being a part of one of the finest community theaters in the nation is quite an achievement. But I guess the one thing that really stands out to me is bringing the technology of Broadway to our pit. I started using Mainstage on a MacBook Pro a couple of years ago to add some of the more unique sounds that are becoming standard in Broadway shows. We just don't have the budget or the musical resources to have all the real instrumentation but even most Broadway musicals are using Mainstage more when they can — especially on tours.

MRT: What is the best thing you cook?

Aycock: The best thing I cook is typically whatever I order off of a menu, but on a rare occasion, I do actually grill steaks or chicken, which is about the extent of it.

MRT: Who is a fictional hero and why?

Aycock: Doctor Who. I've watched the show since I was in high school. He (soon to be a she) is extremely intelligent but doesn't always come across that way. He always has the world's best interest at heart and always manages to solve the problem at hand.

MRT: Your not-so-secret indulgence.

Aycock: Broadway shows. Anytime we travel we see as many shows (mainly musicals) as we can. On a typical New York trip, we'll usually average eight shows a week. And we almost always rush to the stage door after each show to chat with the performers that come out.

MRT: What book do you always recommend?

Aycock: Stephen King's "11-22-63" or any book in the "Pendergast" series by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child.



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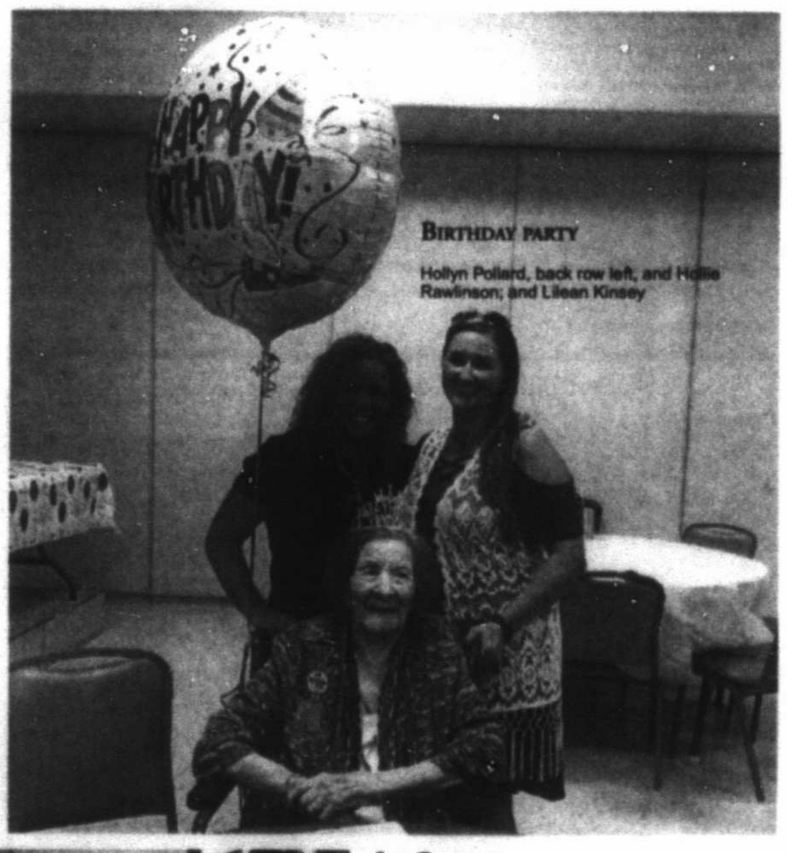
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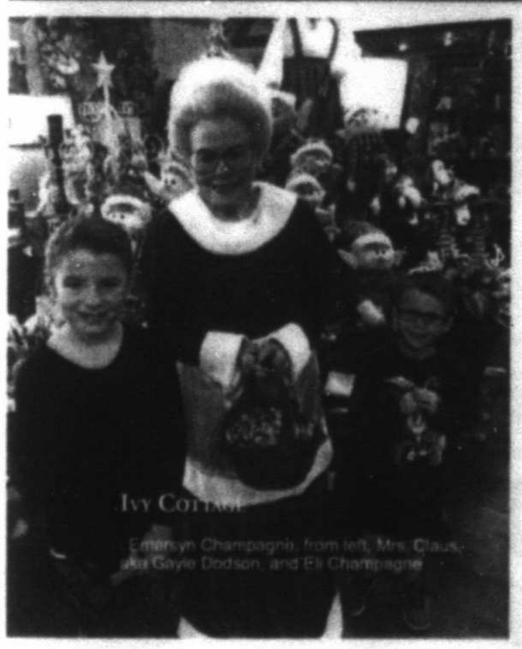
BIRTHDAY PARTY

Clyde Kinsey, standing from left, Glynda Bremer and Sandra Kinsey, and Freda Kinsey, sitting from left, Lilean Kinsey and Royce Kinsey



BIRTHDAY PARTY

Hollyn Pollard, back row left, and Hollie Rawlinson; and Lilean Kinsey



IVY COTTAGE

Emerlyn Champagne, from left, Mrs. Claus, Jill Gayle Dodson, and Eli Champagne



IVY COTTAGE

Robin Wilson, left, and Sametria Smith



IVY COTTAGE

F. Lindsey Roby, from left, Jill Lankford, Hope Hernandez and Hanna Roby, front



IVY COTTAGE

Linda McLaughlin, left, and Rachel McLaughlin

RESIDENT CELEBRATES 100TH BIRTHDAY

Midlander Lilean Kinsey celebrated her 100th birthday with a weekend-long celebration last month. Kinsey was born Nov. 2, 1917. Her family celebrated with lunch and cake at Brookdale Senior Living, followed by a party at Greenwood Baptist Church the following day.

Family in attendance for the festivities included her daughter Glynda Kinsey Bremer of Flower Mound; Lilena's sons, Clyde Kinsey and his wife, Freda, of Midland, and Royce Kinsey, and his wife Sandra, of Texarkana. Other family members included grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Lilean, who worked at J.C. Penney for 35 years, moved to the Greenwood community in 1952.



IVY COTTAGE

IVY COTTAGE HOSTS OPEN HOUSE

The Ivy Cottage held its annual Christmas Open House last month. Shoppers won door prizes, and enjoyed appetizer stations featuring assorted breads, chips and dips, quiches and ciders.

Mrs. Claus was in attendance and handed out candy canes to children.

GUN SHOW



Courtesy photo

Four members of the Permian Basin Young Guns and Midland 4-H Rifle & Pistol Club rifle team Brooke Willhite, from left, Cash Willhite, Emmitt Seabaugh and LeeAnna Crudgington competed in the Winter Air Gun Championships last weekend at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. With them is their coach, Kevin Willhite.

CASA VOLUNTEERS



Courtesy photo

Judge Sylvia Chavez of Child Protective Court of the Permian Basin, front row second from left, on Nov. 20 swore in 23 new volunteers as court-appointed special advocates for abused and neglected children. They are Kim McCarver, Kari Dingler, Rudy Underwood, Rachel Anderson, Sara Hanns, Eva Underwood, Candice Pettijohn, Lanse Pettijohn, Gina Martin, Elizabeth Bell, Nidia Gomez-Revilla, Laura Vaughn, Melissa Gonzalez, Alexis Rice, Judy Connell, Chris Jones II, Marilu Chavez, Shareen Caudle, Sally Flores, Sarah Hack, Misty Shumpert and LaDonna Knighten. Twenty of the new volunteers are Midland County residents; the others are from Glasscock, Andrews and Gaines counties. CASA of West Texas serves children from seven West Texas counties: Midland, Glasscock, Martin, Howard, Dawson, Gaines and Andrews. For more information about becoming a CASA volunteer, call Kathy Harmon at 684-1114 or visit www.CASAwtx.org.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

KIWI

Today's deal comes to us from our good friend Paul Marston. Marston has been a leading player in Australia for about 40 years, and today also writes a bridge column. Marston is a "Kiwi," which is an affectionate nickname for people who were born in New Zealand. Marston tells us that "kiwi" is also a slang term for an all-black bridge hand containing only the black suits, spades and clubs. New Zealand sports teams, especially their rugby team, are known as the "All Blacks." The connection is a bit thin, but we get it.

East-West powered into three no-trump after the weak no-trump opening and a brave bid by North, which should have alerted South to the misfit. South, undaunted, decided to bid out his "kiwi" at the four level. It might look like a disaster is unfolding, but there is a surprise twist — it's a disaster for East-West. North-South cannot be defeated, on this lucky lie of the cards, in either four spades or five clubs.

South won the opening heart lead with dummy's ace while discarding a club. He promptly led a club to his queen for a winning finesse against the king. South continued by cashing the ace of clubs and leading a third round of the suit. West erred by ruffing with the queen, allowing South to over-ruff in the dummy and lead the 10 of spades. When the remaining spades fell under the jack a trick later, South claimed 12 tricks!

BRIDGE RESULTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Permian Bridge Club

Nov. 27
Audie Brooks-Marlene Blumentritt, Flo Curry-Linda Buzan, Kay Sewell-Greg Keys, Dorothy Brenneman-Marilyn Higgins, Helen Davis-John Seymour, Linda Farrar-Lonnie Yee

Nov. 28
Shirley Davenport-Buzan, Blumentritt-Higgins, Patti Heard-Kay Arrell, A.Brooks-Bill Brooks, Bonnie Hubbard-Janet Stoltz

Nov. 29
Paula Baggett-Brenneman, Curry-Blumentritt, Marty Massie-Higgins, Bill Brooks-Buzan, LaDoyce Lambert-Heard

Nov. 30
North-South: Brenneman-Baggett, Sewell-Keys,

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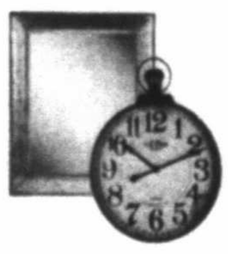
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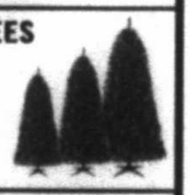
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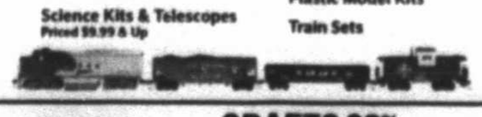
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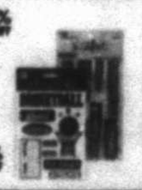
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HINTS FROM HELOISE
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Hot soup is ideal meal on a chilly day

Dear Heloise: There's nothing I like more than a hearty, warm bowl of soup in chilly weather. Have you got any tasty recipes I can make for my family? — Rose H., Springfield, Ore.

Rose, I have one from a friend of mine that I think you'll really like. It's called Marilyn's Garden Cheddar Soup, and it's terrific in chilly weather.

MARILYN'S GARDEN CHEDDAR SOUP

2 carrots, peeled and sliced
2 small zucchini, halved and sliced
2 tomatoes, peeled and cut into wedges
1 celery stalk, sliced
1 cup Portobello mushrooms, sliced
1 onion, halved and sliced
2 garlic cloves, minced
4 1/2 cups beef broth
1 1/2 cups tomato juice
1 tablespoon fresh basil, minced
1/2 cup dry red wine
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon ground pepper
2 tablespoons fresh parsley
1 cup shredded cheddar cheese

In a stockpot, add first nine ingredients and heat to boiling. Reduce heat and simmer, covered, for 30 minutes or until vegetables are tender. Stir in basil, wine, salt, pepper and parsley. Sprinkle top of each serving with cheddar cheese.

If you need to thicken a soup, add some instant mashed potatoes to it, a little at a time. — Heloise

MAPLE SUGAR

Dear Heloise: I recently read a column about brown sugar and thought I'd mention maple sugar as a yummy substitute. It can be used in everything that may call for brown sugar, although you'd need to use a little less. I find it tastier. I also use maple syrup on occasion. — Jean L., via e-mail

STORING BACON

Dear Heloise: When I buy a pound of bacon, I divide the package into three- or four-strip packages since I won't be using it all at once. I wrap each group of strips in clear food wrap and place them in a long, narrow box. They take up so little space in the freezer and are nice and straight when I want to cook them. — J.P., Bedford, N.H.

REFREEZING MEATS

Dear Heloise: I've always been told not to refreeze meat that has been frozen and thawed out. Why can't I refreeze meat that's been thawed? Is it dangerous? — Clint W., Auburn, Wash.

Clint, according to the University of Nebraska's Institute of Agriculture, if food is thawed in a refrigerator, it is safe to refreeze it without cooking it. However, the quality of the meat will change due to moisture lost in the thawing process. The institute recommends not refreezing meat left outside of a refrigerator for two hours or more. — Heloise

NO SALT FOR BIRDS

Dear Heloise: Please tell people not to give leftover chips at the bottom of the bag to birds! It may seem like a good idea, but the salt is not good for them. — Sheila M., via email

Shelia, I checked on this, and you're right. Garden birds are unable to metabolize salt. In large quantities, it's toxic for birds. Never add salt to bird food, and don't put salt in a birdbath to keep it from freezing in winter. — Heloise

CALENDAR

Dec. 10-16

Compiled by staff reports and the Arts Council of Midland. acmidland.org

TODAY

Very Merry Midland: Reindeer Games. The second annual event downtown will feature Santa's Workshop, ice skating, giant human snow globe, live holiday window displays and a new reindeer exhibit. Events run 1-5 p.m. Sundays and 5-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays through Dec. 23 at 303 W. Wall St. Free admission but $6 for skating and snow globe photos. Doyourcity.us.

"The Nutcracker" by Midland Festival Ballet, 2:30 p.m. at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. $18-$59. midlandfestivalballet.org.

West Texas North Pole Village will feature Santa and Mrs. Claus, hayrides, Rudolph's Candy Store and more. Noon at Rolling 7's Ranch Event Center, 11700 W. County Road 122, Odessa. $10 adults, $5 with unwrapped gift.

TCM Big Screen Classics: "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" 50th Anniversary Event. 2 and 7 p.m. today and Wednesday Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250 N. $13.53. Fathomevents.com.

"A Place Called Christmas" and "Twelve Daze of Christmas" run through Dec. 17. 2:30 p.m. Sundays, 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays at Permian Playhouse, 310 W 42nd St., Odessa. $10. permianplayhouse.com.

Starbright Village and Community Tree Lighting. View the display with more than 300,000 lights. 6-11 p.m. through Jan. 1 at McKinney Park, 625 W. Pool Road, Odessa. Free. odessatxparks.org.

MONDAY

SciGirls STEM Camp for ages 8-12. 5 p.m. at Midland County Public Library downtown branch, 301 W. Missouri Ave.

West Texas Astronomers Christmas party and meeting. Guests are asked to bring a potluck dish and items for WTA's toy drive benefiting Toys for Tots. Open to the public. 7 p.m. at UTPB's CEED, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market 1788. wtastro.org.

Open Shop Nights hosted by the Midland Gem and Mineral Society and open to the public. Visitors can watch members cut rock and work on lapidary projects. 6:30-9 p.m. Mondays at 602 S. Main St. midlandgemandmineral.org.

Bridge game play, 6:45 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; 1 p.m. Tuesdays; 10:30 a.m. Saturdays; 1:30 p.m. Sundays. Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting and rehearsal at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. 7-9 p.m. New members welcome and some instruments are available for use at the college. Contact 553-0632 for more information.

TUESDAY

Holiday Open House, 4-6 p.m. at Midland County Public Library downtown branch, 301 W. Missouri Ave.

Cirque Dreams Holidaze, 7:30 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. braodwayinthebasin.com.

"Nature Notes" on Marfa Public Radio. 8:35 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. KXWT-Midland/Odessa-91.3 FM.

Watercolor art classes by Sara Drescher. The class is for all levels. 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Arts Council of Midland, 1506 W. Illinois Ave. To register, email sara@artbysaradb.com.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country music, 7:30 p.m. at Crown Royal Club, 1110 E. Scharbauer Drive. $6. For more information, call 432-638-3707 or 432-250-8215.

Crossing the Line: West Texas Line Dancing weekly meetup. 7:30-9 p.m. at MLK Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane. Classes are free but there is a $1 center entry fee. 713-876-9097. bbberesik@gmail.com. meetup.com/CrossingTheLineWestTexas.

WEDNESDAY

"The Forgotten Carols," 7:30 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $22-$38. Wagnernoel.com.

Story Time, 9:30 a.m. for ages up to 2 years; 10:30 a.m. for ages 2-6 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch.

THURSDAY

Christmas at the Mansion: An Illustrated Christmas luncheon. Noon-1 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. $50 per seat, $375 per table. museumsw.org.

Holiday Open House, 4-6 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

Winter Art Exhibit featuring works by area art associations. Live music by MOSC principal cellist Amy Huzjak. Opening reception begins at 5:30 p.m. at The Gallery at Midland Shared Spaces, 3500 N. "A" St.

Ugly Sweater Christmas Mixer by Young Professionals of Midland. 6-8 p.m. at the Blue Door, 4610 N. Garfield St.

MOSC: "Merry Texas Christmas Y'all" with Asleep at the Wheel benefiting the Midland Odessa Symphony and Chorale. 7:30 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $25-$75. wagnernoel.com.

Jon Wolfe, 9:30 p.m. at Rockin' Rodeo, 4400 N. Big Spring St. $12. Rockinrodeomidland.com.

West Texas Dance Club with live country music, 7:30-10 p.m. at 208 W. VFW Way in Odessa. 697-0281 or 631-6125.

FRIDAY

"Holiday Magic" by FirstCapital Bank of Texas and KWEL Radio. Celebrate the holiday season with a free musical performance by StrictLEE Orchestra from Lee High School. Noon at FirstCapital Bank of Texas, 310 W. Wall St.

"Miracle on 34th Street: The Musical" runs through Saturday at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. $28. mctmidland.org.

SATURDAY

Saturday Movie: "The Polar Express," 2 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

Pancakes with Santa by the Knights of Columbus. Guests can listen to the story of St. Lucy, make an ornament for the church and have a picture taken with Santa. 6-8 p.m. at St. Ann's Catholic Church, 1906 W. Texas Ave.

Caymus Wine Dinner will feature a four-course meal paired with various Caymus Vineyard labels. 7 p.m. at Opal's Table, 223 W. Wall St. $85. opalstable.com.

Field Office Christmas Party. Guests are encouraged to take a wrapped white elephant gift and snacks. 7 p.m.-1 a.m. at the Field Office, 3205 W. Industrial Ave.

ON DISPLAY

Midland Arts Association: Jean Hoelscher. Works will be on display 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays throughout December at Community National Bank, 401 W. Texas Ave. midlandartsassociation.org.

"William Cordova: Ankaylli: Spatial and Ideological Terrain" on display through Dec. 22. Marfa Contemporary, 100 E. San Antonio St., Marfa. Marfacontemporary.org.

"What If," University of Texas of the Permian Basin Senior Art Exhibition by Iamhilex Fernandez on display through Jan. 5 at the Arts Council of Midland, 1506 W. Illinois Ave. acmidland.org.

Ballroom Marfa, 108 E. San Antonio St. Marfa. ballroommarfa.org.

Blakemore Planetarium at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dome shows Tuesdays-Saturdays. Closed Sunday and Monday. museumsw.org.

George Bush Childhood Home. Tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave. 685-1112.

Midland Army Airfield Museum. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays. 9600 Wright Drive. Free admission. highskywing.org.

Midland County Historical Museum, 301 W. Missouri Ave. Permanent exhibits include early Midland artifacts, pioneer relics and fossil remains. Archives include photographs, documents, newspapers and extensive obituary files. Open Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 2-5 p.m. Free. 688-8947.

Midland County Historical Society's Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St. 682-5447.

Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m., Friday 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. Free. 432-335-6640. odessa.edu.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, 1500 Interstate 20 West. Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m.683-4403. pbpetro.org.

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Unwilling husband and father just wants a life to himself

DEAR ABBY



Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: I joined the Navy after I learned I was becoming a father. I didn't want to be a husband or father, but I did both. In 2010, my wife died. My feelings about being a husband and father never changed.

Our two children are now grown and want me to move near — or in with — them. They say, "Won't it be great to be with your grandkids?" No, it won't!

I worked and supported my family. When I was in port, I went to baseball, softball and basketball games, had tea with my daughter and did everything I believe I should have done. I have served my time. I don't want to "be close." Honestly, I'd prefer they left me alone. I don't love them, and I didn't love their mother. I did my duty to the best of my abilities both in uniform and in family.

When we aren't together, I'm happy. I read, I study and do what I like. I've earned that, haven't I? How do I get them out of my life so that at age 52 I have my own life? I don't want to hurt anyone, but I never wanted a family in the first place. — NEVER WANTED A FAMILY

DEAR NEVER WANTED A FAMILY: The one thing you should not do is express your feelings to your children as bluntly as you have to me. Because you don't want to hurt them, a way to phrase it might be to say that having done your job as a parent to the best of your ability, you need time to yourself now — time to read, study, travel, reflect, etc. Be sure to make clear that it has nothing to do with them — that you are proud of them and the way they are handling their lives — so they won't think they are somehow to blame.

DEAR ABBY: After reading your "timely" reminder about changing the batteries on smoke alarms and detectors when turning clocks back to standard time, something occurred to my wife and me. We have never seen another aspect of fire protection in our homes mentioned — fire extinguishers.

Many homeowners have these devices, but may not realize extinguishers don't last forever and should be checked and periodically replaced. Almost all home fire extinguishers are non-rechargeable. Consequently, they come with the recommendation that they be replaced every 12 years.

Neither my wife nor I have any connection with the fire safety industry or profession. We are worried that in case of a fire in the home, many people may waste precious time trying to extinguish it only to find out the extinguisher they're using no longer works or is ineffective.

The way to check is to look at the gauge most extinguishers have. If the needle is in the green area, the extinguisher may still be usable. (If the extinguisher is more than 12 years old, that may not be the case.) If there is no date on the extinguisher and the date of purchase is unknown, the expiration date can be determined by calling the manufacturer or going online to the manufacturer's website.

Could you pass this information on to your readers? It may save lives. Thank you. — PATRICK IN NEVADA

DEAR PATRICK: Actually, Patrick, I should thank you for pointing this out. I'm glad you wrote because your letter may help many readers.

BRIDGE

From 3E

Buzan-Ann Servatius, Davis-John Seymour, Debbie Conner-Sandy Hill, Nancy Braskett-Yee

East-West: Ann Parish-Edward McPherson, Charlie Grimes-Linda Scarpelli, Sarana Savage-Belle Harris, Stewart Doreen-Betty Moore, Dorothy Baird-Dorothy Blair, Mary Tift-Ann Brooks

Overall: Parish-McPherson, Grimes-Scarpelli, Savage-Harris, Brenneman-Baggett, Sewell-Keys, Doreen-Moore, Buzan-Servatius, Davis-Seymour, Conner-Hill, Blair-Baird, Yee-Braskett, Tift-Brooks

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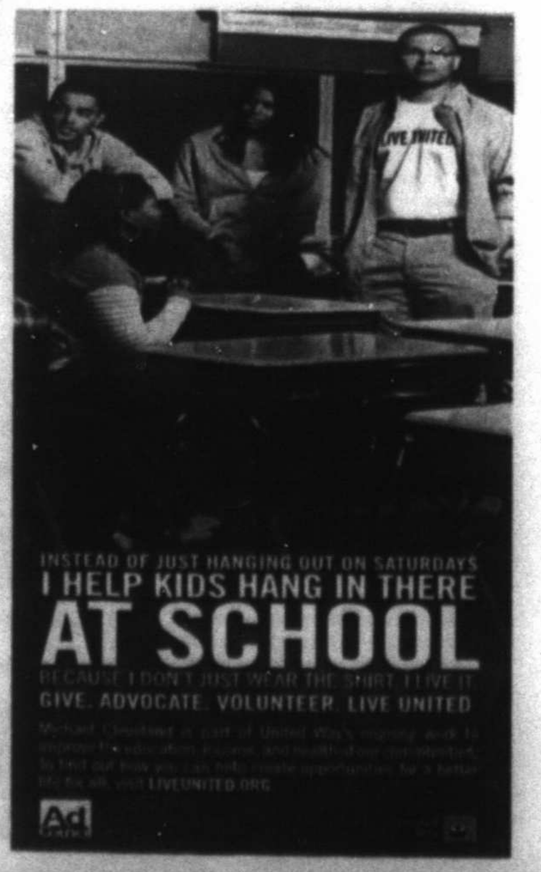
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Courtesy of Magellan Midstream Partners

The massive BridgeTex Pipeline was completed in 2014 and terminates in east Houston. The pipeline — owned by Magellan Midstream and Plains All American Pipeline — carries Permian Basin crude oil from Colorado City to Houston. The pipeline was expanded to 400,000 barrels a day of capacity this year, and the owners are currently weighing an additional expansion to 440,000 barrels daily.

Permian production expected to exceed pipeline capacity

Despite new pipelines on the drawing board, producers should expect price squeeze next year

By Mella McEwen
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Although Permian Basin producers will be ending 2017 enjoying crude prices about 30 percent higher than mid-year, the new year may not be so happy.

As he cautioned back in May, Sandy Fielden, director of oil and products research at Morningstar, told the Reporter-Telegram by email that producers should brace themselves for a price squeeze in 2018 as Permian Basin production growth continues to outstrip takeaway capacity additions.

Fielden said that in 2014, before the BridgeTex Pipeline came online, a lack of capacity forced Midland producers to discount West Texas Intermediate Midland by $20 a barrel versus WTI Cushing just to secure pipeline space. WTI prices at that time were more than $100 a barrel, leaving some money in producers' pockets, he said. But today, with prices at $57 a barrel, a potential $20 discount caused by pipeline congestion threatens breakeven prices. He said that threat could cause a drilling rig retreat or buildup of drilled but uncompleted wells.

Enterprise Products Partners recently put into service a pipeline to carry crude from Midland to Houston with a capacity of 300,000 barrels a day, bringing total takeaway capacity to 2.8 million barrels a day. Fielden said new pipelines with the capacity of another 1.6 million barrels per are due for completion in 2019, including one just proposed by Magellan Midstream.

But Permian Basin production has grown by 419,000 barrels a day — or 19 percent this year — to 2.6 million barrels a day, and Morningstar estimates Permian production will almost double again by 2020, to 5.3 million barrels a day, overtaking pipeline capacity by mid-2018.

Enterprise has set a high interim tariff between Midland and Houston for the new pipeline. The tariff is $6.74 a barrel for uncommitted walk-up shippers, $2.50 per barrel more than the next-highest competitor on a comparable route between the Permian and the Gulf Coast. The Plains Cactus Pipeline from Midland to Corpus Christi has a tariff of $4.24 a barrel.

Asked if other pipelines have implemented similar tariffs, Fielden said "the only other example I'm aware of is TransCanada raising rates on its Marketlink pipeline between Cushing and Nederland/Houston for 2018. This is in response to higher demand to move crude from Cushing to Houston, which is related to more Permian crude reaching Cushing."

The new pipelines are designed to offer Permian Basin producers access to export markets. The U.S. exported a record 2 million barrels in November

Fielden said domestic refiners have been running at record rates this year.

"They are maxed out on domestic shale crude that is often too light for plants configured to process heavier import grades," he said. "As a result, incremental production will go to exports, especially now that the market is backwardated — prices today are higher than in the future. This means storage is unattractive. Exports will continue to flow as long as the Brent premium over WTI supports them."

He offered some consolation to Permian Basin producers who can expect to suffer the negative consequences of the capacity shortfall: "Pipeline squeezes don't last long in the shale era, and they encourage midstream companies to accelerate new projects to expand existing capacity to fill the gap."

Steward Energy's Taylor talks challenge of ROZs

By Trevor Hawes
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Steward Energy is regarded as having the best wells in the San Andres, and company President and CEO Lance Taylor shared his insights into recovering oil from residual oil zones.

After his presentation Tuesday at the CO2 and ROZ Conference, he fielded questions from other engineers and geologists in the audience and gave advice about practices. Here are some highlights.

- **On drilling orientation:** In Steward's Bronco Prospect, located in western Yoakum County, the company has found that drilling south-to-north has been more successful than north-to-south. Taylor was asked if north-to-south wells were drilled updip so the toe is higher than the heel of the well.

"It is. We're doing both," Taylor said. "We're drilling updip and trying to keep the toe above the heel of that lateral. In a couple of instances where we couldn't do that, we drilled a little deeper in the section and still kept it toe-up, largely because these wells do produce on ESP (electric submersible pump). Most of our geometry in our wells didn't allow us to set these pumps any deeper; they're just at the top of the curve or barely into the curve. This is one way that we try to keep a little bit of head over the pump, try to keep gas from breaking out too much.

"I think more importantly than that is keeping a relatively straight well profile. Any kind of porpoising you see in these wells allow solids or fluids to break out in a sump or gas to overcome the top and is going to overwhelm the pump with gas, which leads to premature failures, very poor efficiencies and overall a really bad runtime."

- **On water disposal costs:** Drilling in the San Andres means producing a lot of water, sometimes for months, before showing any oil. Taylor said that any company thinking about this play needs to have a water plan from the beginning.

"We've seen several companies fail because they thought they would just truck the water for a little bit and figure out if they like the play and move on. It's really hard to truck 3,000 to 4,000 barrels of water per day initially. If you don't have that plan in place upfront, you're going to struggle.

"With that said, if we've got a good disposal well, our all-in disposal cost is in the 10-cents to 11-cents-per-barrel range. It's really affordable; we haven't had any issues. If you need to use third-party trucking and disposal, that can go all the way up to $3 per barrel."

- **On learning**: Steward has been able to drill a lot of wells in the San Andres. In being able to learn a lot, Taylor said, "That is the factor."

"I describe the Bronco area as the best combination of good and bad rock properties," he said. "We've got decent saturations, but we've got enough anhydrite in our rock that we get some frac baffles, if you will — not really barriers, but baffles — that keep us from going down too much into the really wet stuff.

"I would not apply this type curve to most of my other prospect areas — not yet. I think it's important that this area has a great concentration of wells. This is a room full of private equity-backed companies that are not really in a different situation than us. We just have the benefit of an asset that is generating a tremendous amount of cash flow. It lets us test things, it gives us

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Schlumberger VP: Think unconventionally to access next 100 billion barrels

By Mella McEwen
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Since 1923, the Permian Basin has yielded more than 30 billion barrels of crude oil. And recent estimates say the Permian has another 70 billion barrels left to be produced.

"If we're going to access the next 100 billion barrels of oil, we need to think unconventionally," David Christmas told his audience last week at the annual CO2 and ROZ Conference at the Horseshoe.

Christmas, vice president of Permian Basin with Schlumberger, said his company forecasts oil field activity will rise 14 percent in 2018. He said there are some challenges to that increased activity:

- The churning of private equity investments is ongoing.
- There is reduced excitement in shales by PE companies.
- The frac market is still tight.
- Drilled but uncompleted wells are increasing.
- Offtake constraints are being addressed.
- The rig count is growing more slowly.
- The service industry is turning a profit again, but capacity is tight.

He said that a third of global oil production — or 30 million barrels a day — comes from mature, conventional fields. And a third of U.S. oil production comes from fields that began pumping in the last century. Conventional oil production from mature fields fell 11 percent in 2015 and another 8.3 percent in 2016, Christmas said.

With conventional oil production not keeping up with demand, shales will be needed to fill the gap, he said. And that's where those working to develop residual oil zones will play a role.

"What you are doing in this room is utilizing shale tools," he said.

Some ROZ work is adding 30 to 70 percent to recoverable reserves, he said.

He said those working in unconventional shales need to take under consideration:

- You can't fundamentally change original oil in place.
- The rock: Should you crush, frac or acidize it?
- The well: How many do you need to drill to maximize recovery?
- Spacing: How far apart should wells be spaced?
- The zone: What's the right landing spot?
- Sweep: Should you flood, soak, pulse or heat?
- Production: How should a well be controlled and managed to balance initial potential and estimated ultimate recovery?

Those working in ROZs use the same horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing techniques as shale drillers, but with these added considerations, he said. But horizontal drilling in ROZs must go beyond existing field boundaries for production into and toward the fairway. And when hydraulically fracturing a well, operators should consider the possibility of well-to-well connectivity, whether or not to acid frac the well, and if the fluids actually move the RZ oils, Christmas said. There is also the question of connecting vertical and horizontal wells, he said.

If the subsurface fairways that residual oil used to migrate are made economic, "the Permian Basin could add much more production," he said.



MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	$53.85	Shell Trading	$52.60
Energy Transfer Partners*	$52.25	Nymex futures	$57.36*
Flint Hills Resources*	$52.50	*Net price without transportation charge	
Phillips 66	$52.58		
Plains*	$52.50	Note: Posted prices as of Nov. 29	

CO2TAKEAWAYS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Pumping from ROZs produces challenges

The drive for improved efficiency and cost control creates new challenges as efforts to develop residual oil zones intensify.

Wallace Huard, regional sales manager with Novomet, said at last week's CO2 and ROZ Conference that a lot of these are marginal projects so efficiency and cost control are important. Producing from the ROZs requires artificial lift because of a lack of natural pressure to push the oil to the surface. The challenge, he said, is that a lot of these ROZ wells are horizontal, and producers want to place electrical submersible pumps in the lateral.

"It's a challenge to get the ESP down the hole without damaging the pump."

But efficient use of ESPs can improve revenue by reducing power costs and improving production from the zones, he said.

Illinois eyes ROZs

An estimated 60 million barrels of oil in place in residual oil zones in the Noble field and 22 million barrels in the Kenner West field in Illinois' Cypress Sandstone play has officials looking at ways to develop those zones.

Nathan Webb, assistant petroleum geologist with the Illinois State Geological Survey, said he and his colleagues have developed models of the Cypress Sandstone geology to help characterize the zones. The challenge is that older data is virtually all that's available for the research, he said at the CO2 and ROZ Conference.

Efforts are still in the research stage, he said, but he hopes that soon a producer will be willing to work with the survey drilling test wells to put that research into action.

It would benefit smaller producers without the access to such research, Webb said.

Solar energy, oil find a way to work together

By Chris Tomlinson
Houston Chronicle

In unlikely bedfellows news, an oil production firm and a solar energy supplier have struck up an alliance in California to work together.

Aera Energy, one of California's largest oil and gas producers, and GlassPoint Solar have announced plans to build one of the state's largest solar energy projects to power oil field operations.

The project, called Belridge Solar, will have two parts, an 850 megawatt thermal facility to produce 12 million barrels of steam to help extract oil, and a 26.5 megawatt photovoltaic facility to generate electricity. Aera Energy wants to reduce onsite natural gas

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flexibility and, frankly, some patience with our sponsors that not everyone else has.

"The takeaway from this is if we can be patient and work through this, we can get a half-million barrel type-curve wells at all of these areas. We just need some time to figure it out."

■ **On the joys of the San Andres**: Taylor talked about how recovering oil in ROZs is a lot different than in conventional areas, namely because a company can't just use an off-the-shelf plan.

"Part of what we, as a team, love about this play is we get to be engineers and geologists again," he said. "We're not just manufacturers trying to do the same thing everyone else is doing. This is a problem that needs solving, and we've all got the skill set to do this."

ENERGYBRIEFS

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

FORT WORTH

Chisholm acquires undeveloped Delaware Basin acreage

Chisholm Energy Holdings announced Thursday that has signed an agreement to acquire undeveloped Delaware Basin acreage from Resource Rock Exploration.

The Fort Worth start-up bought 30,000 net acres in Eddy County, New Mexico, for an undisclosed sum. Chisholm is backed by a $500 million line-of-equity commitment from Warburg Pincus, a private equity firm.

The acreage contains multiple horizontal reservoir targets in the Bone Spring and Wolfcamp formations.

"We are pleased to expand our presence in the Delaware Basin with this acquisition, which adds scale and value to our growing platform in the region," said Mark Whitley, Chisholm CEO. "We look forward to applying our best-in-class operating capabilities to develop our position and will continue to pursue additional opportunities to deliver value."

Chisholm was formed in 2016. In May 2017, the company closed on its first asset acquisition of acreage located in Eddy and Lea counties from a private seller.

The company is currently running three drilling rigs and is producing about 4,000 barrels of oil equivalent per day.

DALLAS

Wolf Midstream Partners Plans New Permian Basin Crude Oil Gathering and Terminal System

Wolf Midstream Partners, a full-service midstream provider, has executed a crude oil gathering and transportation agreement with an independent producer for about 25,000 dedicated gross leasehold acres in the prolific Permian Basin of West Texas.

To support the agreement, and other area producers as needed, Wolf plans to construct about 50 miles of new crude oil gathering pipelines with an expected capacity of 55,000 barrels per day. Additionally, Wolf has established a delivery point near Colorado City and plans to construct terminal facilities, with interconnects into multiple downstream pipelines.

"We are excited about this partnership with a seasoned operator and look forward to building out this new system," said Curtis Ewers, Wolf Midstream chief executive officer. "The Wolf team has a long and successful history developing midstream solutions that provide producers with creative, reliable service. This new system will solidify our position in the Permian region, where we remain very focused on deploying the necessary capital and developing the infrastructure needed to address our customers' long-term and immediate needs."

Construction activities have begun, and Wolf expects the new system to start service in the second quarter of next year.

HOUSTON

Enterprise to convert NGL pipeline from Permian Basin to crude oil service

Enterprise Products Partners LP plans to convert one of its natural gas liquids pipelines that transports NGLs from the Permian Basin to the Texas Gulf Coast to crude oil service.

The conversion is expected to be completed in the first half of 2020. This pipeline conversion would provide the partnership with total crude oil pipeline capacity of more than 650,000 barrels per day from the Permian Basin to Enterprise's crude oil hub in the Houston area.

Enterprise has three existing NGL pipelines that stretch from the Permian Basin to the Texas Gulf Coast: the Seminole Blue, Seminole Red and Chaparral.

The Shin Oak NGL pipeline, which is currently under construction, will be the partnership's fourth NGL pipeline from the Permian Basin to the Texas Gulf Coast. The Shin Oak pipeline is expected to be in service in the second quarter of 2019. The completion of the Shin Oak pipeline provides Enterprise the flexibility to divert NGL volumes from at least one of its existing NGL pipelines onto Shin Oak and repurpose the vacated NGL pipeline to crude oil service.

Enterprise is currently evaluating which NGL pipeline(s) to repurpose.

"We have had strong demand for crude oil transportation, storage and marine terminal services for crude oil production from the Permian Basin," said A.J. "Jim" Teague, chief executive officer of the general partner of Enterprise. "This repurposing of an NGL pipeline to crude oil service is another example of our system flexibility and the innovation of our employees to respond to customer needs while increasing the distributable cash flow and value of our partnership."

DALLAS

Perkins Oil and Gas announces 160 acre Colorado purchase

Perkins Oil and Gas Inc. participated in a government lease auction and successfully purchased 160 gross acres in Lincoln, Colorado. The tract is in township 10S, carries a one-fifth royalty rate and is located on the Niobrara formation.

According to a report by COGA, some analysts estimate the recoverable oil reserves at approximately 2 billion barrels. Liquid natural gas is also found and extracted in this formation.

"We are very excited to have acquired this lease which I believe holds a lot of potential. We expect to begin formulating a drilling plan in January of 2018," Perkins CEO Sonny Arandia said in a statement.

Petroleum Professional Development Center

All courses will be held at the PPDC, 221 N. Main St.
To register, go to the Midland College PPDC's Website: www.midland.edu/ppdc

Log Analysis of Shaly Sandstones
Instructor: Dr. George Asquith
Start Date: December 11, 2017 – Monday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $425; Out of State: $450

New Course: **An Overview of Multistage Completion Systems for Hydraulic Fracturing**
Instructor: W. Aaron Burton
Start Date: December 12, 2017 – Tuesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $575; Out of State $600

Quick Guide to Carbonate Well Log Analysis
Instructor: Dr. George Asquith
Start Date: December 12, 2017 – Tuesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $425; Out of State: $450

Log Analysis of Hydrocarbon Bearing Shales
Instructor: Dr. George Asquith
Start Date: December 13, 2017 – Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $475; Out of State: $500

On-Line Division Order Certificate Program: Module 4 of 6: Calculations
Instructor: Sherry Robinson
Start Date: Jan 4- January 30, 2018 Registration Deadline: Noon, Jan 4, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50 - the required text is the NADOA Study Guide, which is $75 (one-time charge). Students need to join NADOA for $75 to download the "no cost" manual only available to members.

On-Line Land Management Certificate Program: Module 4 of 6: Title: Oil & Gas Law and Its Impact on Land Practices
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: Jan 4 – Jan 30, 2018 Registration Deadline: Noon, Jan 4, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50

Petroleum Geology for Non Geologists
Instructor: Paul Pause
Start Date: January 16-19, 2018 – Tuesday – Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1835; Out of State $1860

Energy Land Management
Dr. Patrick Fitzgerald
Start Date: January 17 -18, 2017 – Wednesday – Thursday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $675; Out of State $700

Critical Title Issues
Dr. Patrick Fitzgerald
Start Date: January 19, 2017 – Friday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $350; Out of State $375

Carbonate Reservoir Characterization: The Lucia Method
Instructor: David M. Orchard
Start Date: January 22 -23, 2018 – Monday – Tuesday -8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m
Cost: $400; Out of State: $425

4 Day ROZ and CO2 School – Includes Field Visit
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr. Robert C. Trentham, Ron Wackowski, Russell K. Hall, George Koperna
Start Date: January 23 – 26, 2018 – Tuesday – Friday – see website for times: www.midland.edu/ppdc
Cost: $2000; Out of State $2025

ROZ and CO2 School – Day 1 of 4 Only
Day 1: Residual Oil Zones and Commercial Exploitation
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr. Robert C. Trentham, Ron Wackowski, Russell K. Hall, George Koperna
Start Date: January 23, 2018 – Tuesday – 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $550; Out of State $575

ROZ and CO2 School – Day 2 of 4 Only
Day 2: Horizontal Well Reservoir Depressuring of the ROZ
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr. Robert C. Trentham, Ron Wackowski, Russell K. Hall, George Koperna
Start Date: January 24, 2018 – Wednesday – 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $550; Out of State $575

ROZ and CO2 School – Day 3 of 4 Only (Field Visit Included)
Day 3: Field Visit plus CO2 Recycle Processing for CO2 Flooding
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr. Robert C. Trentham, Ron Wackowski, Russell K. Hall, George Koperna
Start Date: January 25, 2018 – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $575; Out of State $600

ROZ and CO2 School – Day 4 of 4 Only
Day 4: CO2 EOR Fundamentals
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr. Robert C. Trentham, Ron Wackowski, Russell K. Hall, George Koperna
Start Date: January 26, 2018 – Friday – 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $550; Out of State $575

Petra Fundamentals
Instructor: Greg Hinterlong
Start Date: January 23-24, 2018 – Tuesday - Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $625; Out of State $650

Valuation of Upstream Oil & Gas Properties
Instructors: Edwin C. Moritz & Dr. Mark Cronshaw
Start Date: January 24-25, 2018 – Wednesday – Thursday – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1250; Out of State $1275

Well Control Drilling/Workover (WellSharp)
Instructor: Larry Chapman
Start Date: January 29 – February 2, 2018 – Monday – Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1200; Out of State $1225

Right of Way Acquisition Training
Instructor: Don Valden
Start Date: February 1, 2018 – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $500; $525 Out of State

Advanced Right of Way Acquisition Training
Instructor: Don Valden
Start Date: February 2, 2018 – Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m
Cost: $500; $525 Out of State

On-Line Division Order Certificate Program: Module 5 of 6: Oil & Gas Law
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: February 2 – February 27, 2018 Registration Deadline: Noon, Feb 2, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50 - the required text is the NADOA Study Guide, which is $75 (one-time charge). Students need to join NADOA for $75 to download the "no cost" manual only available to members.

On-Line Land Management Certificate Program: Module 5 of 6: Title: Legally Enforceable Oil & Gas Contracts
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: February 2 – February 27, 2018 Registration Deadline: Noon, Feb 2, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50

SQL: Application to Oil/Gas Relational Database
Instructor: Celia Houston
Start Date: February 6, 2018 - Tuesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Cost: $375; Out of State: $400

Optimizing Oilfield Systems Using Spreadsheet Models
Instructor: Peter L. Galusky, Jr., Ph.D., P.E.
Start Date: February 12, 2018 - Monday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $350, Out of State $375

Introduction to Log Interpretation and Quality
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
Start Date: February 12 – 14, 2018 – Monday – Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1095; Out of State: $1020

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Instructor: Celia Houston
Start Date: February 13 – 14, 2018 – Tuesday – Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Cost: $625; Out of State: $650

Introduction to Well Completion
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
Start Date: February 15-16, 2018 - Thursday - Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $720; Out of State: $745

Professional Technical Sales
Instructor: Paul Hughes
Start Date: February 16, 2018 – Friday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $250; Out of State: $275

New Course: Gas Lift Design and Operation
Instructor: Mike Johnson
Start Date: February 19 - 22 – Monday – Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1800, Out of State $1825

New Course: An Overview of Multistage Completion Systems for Hydraulic Fracturing
Instructor: W. Aaron Burton
Start Date: February 20, 2018 – Tuesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $575; Out of State $600

Intermediate GIS Concepts for Petroleum
Instructor: Jennifer Harrison
Start Date: February 28 – March 2, 2018 – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1440; Out of State - $1465

On-Line Division Orders Certificate Program: Module 6 of 6 Modules: Title: Oil and Gas Contracts
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: March 2 – March 28, 2018 Registration Deadline: Noon, March 2, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50 - The required text is the NADOA Study Guide, which is $75 (one-time charge). Students need to join NADOA for $75 to download the "no cost" manual only available to members.

On-Line Land Management Certificate Program - Module 6 of 6 Modules: Title: Federal Laws that Impact the Oil and Gas Industry
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: March 2 – March 28, 2018 Registration Deadline: Noon, March 2, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50

Managing Sucker Rod Lift Well Failures
Instructor: Albert Garza
Start Date: March 6, 2018 – Tuesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $350; Out of State: $375

Basic Oilfield Operations
Instructor: Albert Garza
Start Date: March 7-8, 2018 – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $475; Out of State: $500

IHS: Petra Advanced Cross Section and Correlation Techniques
Start Date: March 6-7, 2018 – Tuesday – Wednesday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1600 – Register Directly with IHS on the PPDC website: www.midland.edu/ppdc

IHS: Petra Advanced Mapping Techniques
Start Date: March 8-9, 2018 – Thursday – Friday - 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1600 – Register Directly with IHS on the PPDC website: www.midland.edu/ppdc

Oilfield Terminology
Instructor: Tommy Land
Start Date: March 6-7, 2018 – Tuesday – Wednesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $430; Out of State: $455

PetroSkills: Petroleum Systems Analysis – PSA
Instructor: Andrew Pepper
Start Date: March 19-23, 2018 – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $4190 - Register directly with PetroSkills on the PPDC Website: www.midland.edu/ppdc

Well Control Drilling/Workover (WellSharp)
Instructor: Larry Chapman
Start Date: March 19-23, 2018 – Monday – Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1200; Out of State $1225



Melissa Phillip/Chronicle/Houston Chronicle

Helge Lund, president and CEO of Statoil ASA , left, speaking with Daniel Yergin, chairman IHS CERA, right, at CERAWeek 2010 at Hilton Americas Hotel on March 10, 2010 in Houston. This is the IHS Cambridge Energy Research Associates 29th Executive Conference.

Statoil greenlights $6B Arctic project

By Mikael Holter
Bloomberg

Statoil ASA gave the final go-ahead to a flagship Arctic oil project after slashing costs by half.

While expected, the move by Norway's biggest oil company is a boost to a region seen as key to arresting a decline in the country's production.

In a striking illustration of how oil companies have adapted to lower prices, Statoil cut estimated investments at the Johan Castberg project to about 49 billion kroner ($6 billion) from an initial forecast of more than 100 billion kroner, it said on Tuesday, reiterating a figure given in June. The field in the Barents Sea is due to start production in 2022.

Castberg is the world's biggest offshore oil project to get the go-ahead this year, with resources of 450 million to 650 million barrels, according to Statoil. The decision comes at a critical time for the industry's Arctic ambitions. The Barents is thought to hold about half of Norway's undiscovered oil and gas, yet Norwegians are increasingly debating whether further exploration makes moral or financial sense amid efforts to fight climate change.

Castberg, made up of deposits discovered from 2011, is only the second oil project approved in the region. The first, Eni SpA's Goliat field that started production last year, has come under intense scrutiny following delays, cost overruns and safety mishaps. The government is also facing a lawsuit from environmental groups challenging Barents license awards.

'Robust profitability'

Like Goliat, Castberg has been delayed several times, in part because of the collapse in oil prices. Statoil and partners Eni and Petoro AS have since shelved plans for an onshore terminal at North Cape. With a simpler concept and declining supplier prices, the operator cut the price needed to break even from more than $80 a barrel to below $35.

"Even if this is the Arctic and everyone thought this would be extremely complex, with high costs, we're showing that we're getting robust profitability," Margareth Ovrum, Statoil's executive vice president for technology, projects and drilling, said in an interview in Oslo. "I'm proud of that."

Statoil on Tuesday also signed contracts with Aker Solutions ASA, totaling about 4 billion kroner, for Castberg's subsea system and for engineering and procurement management.

Showcasing Castberg

As politicians debate the economics of Goliat, Statoil and the government will be keen to showcase Castberg as a profitable project that will add infrastructure to the underdeveloped area.

Norway's crude output has dropped by half since 2000, and successive governments have pushed the Barents to make up for the decline of North Sea fields. Yet explorers have failed to come up with discoveries similar to the giant fields of the North Sea that made the country's fortune.

In a sign that oil companies may be less interested in the area after a record campaign yielded disappointing results this year, Norway received only 11 applications in the Barents-focused 24th licensing round, down from 26 in the previous one.

Exxon sends first US fuel shipment to Mexico's newly free market

By Amy Stillman and Adam Williams
Bloomberg

ExxonMobil Corp. is joining Chevron Corp. and other U.S. refiners to supply the newly free Mexico fuel market.

Exxon sent two cargoes totaling 120,000 barrel of diesel and gasoline Wednesday from its refinery in Beaumont, Texas, to a private terminal in San Luis Potosi. The company is moving cargos along Kansas City Southern's rail network and plans to utilize the San Jose Iturbide terminal in Guanajuato state, which is being expanded, to bring in more supplies. Eventually, it aims to move product from all of its refineries along the Gulf Coast.

"ExxonMobil is the first company to compete in the Mexican fuel market in an integrated form," Rivas said in a phone interview.

An increasing number of foreign firms plan to invest in ports terminals, fuel storage facilities and other logistics infrastructure in order to compete with state-owned Petroleos Mexicanos, the primary fuel vendor and distributor in the country. Last week, Chevron said it will bring products from its California refining system to Mexico to supply its gas stations once the infrastructure becomes available. After years of preparation, last week Mexico finished liberalizing prices for gasoline and diesel across the country.

"U.S. Gulf refineries have seen increasing utilization rates, they are cheaper and more efficient than they were previously, and they have abundant supply for the Mexican market," said Alejandra Leon, Latin America upstream director at IHS in Mexico City. More private infrastructure projects would be ready in the next several years, making it easier for private companies to import fuel without going through Pemex, she added.

Imports accounted for almost 74 percent of Mexico's gasoline and diesel sales in October as Pemex's six refineries operated at their lowest volume in nearly 27 years because of unplanned stoppages, disruptions and maintenance. Delays in restart of the Minatitlan and Madero refineries could also contribute to higher imports, Ixchel Castro, senior analyst at energy consultant Wood Mackenzie in Mexico City, said.

The expansion of Mexico's private fuel import market could result in the "crowding out" of domestic gasoline production, BBVA analysts Carlos Serrano and Arnulfo Rodriguez said in a Dec. 1 research note.

"Looking ahead we expect the oil trade deficit to continue widening, although at a slower pace, as higher local demand for oil-related consumption and intermediate goods will more likely be met by imports rather than local refineries output."

ExxonMobil opening first Mexican gas stations this week

By Jordan Blum
Houston Chronicle

Texas oil giant ExxonMobil is opening its first gas stations in Mexico this week as the nation's largest oil company works to become a major Mexican fuel supplier.

The first eight Mobil-branded stations are opening this week in the area of the central Mexican city Querétaro. ExxonMobil plans to open about 50 fueling station in central Mexico within the next three months.

Since Mexico deregulated its energy sector and opened itself to foreign investments, the first international gas stations have begun popping up this year, ending the monopoly held for decades by state oil giant Pemex.

London-based BP opened the first non-Pemex gas stations this spring in Mexico, and ExxonMobil is saying its now the first to offer integrated fueling services and products. Exxon also just started sending its first fuel shipments from Texas to Mexico, via private rail terminals in San Luis Potosi and San Jose Iturbide. Exxon will primarily ship fuel from its Texas refineries to Mexico.

ExxonMobil said this is just the beginning of its $300 million commitment to bring its fuel logistics services and gas stations to Mexico. Exxon is working with retailer Grupo Orsan to open the first eight stations.

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

Courtesy Drilling Info

Texas RRCD 7C

Crockett County

SEM Operating Company LLC
University 40 #2201WC
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 11780 fsl, 10319 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 40, Abst 304U, ULS, 25.8 n Ozona; TD 10000; API #42-105-42441 Permit issued 11/30

Irion County

Foreland Operating LLC
Lorie 26 #26HC
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 1000 fwl, 900 fsl, Sec 27, Abst 677, WC RR, 3.75 ne Barnhart; TD 7500; API #42-235-36229 Permit issued 11/28

Upton County

Apache Corporation
CC 4045 East G #10HM
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 270 fsl, 985 fel, Sec 33, Blk 39, T-5-S, Abst 439, T&P RR, 23.1 nw Rankin; TD 10000; API #42-461-40703 Permit issued 11/28

Apache Corporation
CC 4045 East H #12HM
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 270 fsl, 955 fel, Sec 33, Blk 39, T-5-S, Abst 439, T&P RR, 23.1 nw Rankin; TD 10000; API #42-461-40704 Permit issued 11/28

Bold Operating LLC
Hamman 30 #4H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 400 fnl, 879 fel, Sec 30, Blk B, Abst 1498, CCSD&RGNG, 12.1 n Rankin; TD 10450; API #42-461-40731 Permit issued 11/27

Bold Operating LLC
Hamman 30 #3H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 400 fnl, 904 fel, Sec 30, Blk B, Abst 1498, CCSD&RGNG, 12.1 n Rankin; TD 10450; API #42-461-40732 Permit issued 11/27

Capstone Natural Resources II LLC
Snickers B #2H
McElroy-Horizontal; 4672 fsl, 1684 fwl, Sec 100, Abst 1271, Mrs. F.G. Howard, 8.9 se Crane; TD 4000; API #42-461-40735 Permit issued 11/28

COG Operating LLC
Neal Ranch 37 A Unit #3701BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 475 fnl, 1365 fel, Sec 48, Bk 41, Abst 1582, T&P RR, 21.9 n Rankin; TD 10500; API #42-461-40697 Permit issued 12/1

COG Operating LLC
Neal Ranch 37 Unit #3702BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 475 fnl, 1320 fel, Sec 48, Bk 41, T-5-S, Abst 1582, T&P RR, 21.9 n Rankin; TD 10500; API #42-461-40696 Permit issued 12/1

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc
Brook N-13D #104H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 300 fnl, 1300 fwl, Sec 13, Blk N, Abst 243, HE&WT RR, 9.8 sw Midkiff; TD 10500; API #42-461-40670 Permit issued 11/28

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
University 3-15 #123H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 8691 fnl, 802 fwl, Sec 15, Blk 3, Abst 15U, ULS, 7.3 ne Rankin; TD 10250; API #42-461-40728 Permit issued 11/28

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc
University 3-15 #124H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 8691 fnl, 822 fwl, Sec 15, Blk 3, Abst 15U, ULS, 7.3 ne Rankin; TD 10250; API #42-461-40729 Permit issued 11/28

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
XBC Giddings Estate #401H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7328 fnl, 9964 fel, Sec 1, Abst 542, Throckmorton CSL, 19 n Rankin; TD 10700; API #42-461-40725 Permit issued 11/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc
XBC Giddings Estate #402H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7328 fnl, 9919 fel, League 1, Abst 542, Throckmorton CSL, 19 n Rankin; TD 10700; API #42-461-40726 Permit issued 11/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
XBC Giddings Estate #403H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7328 fnl, 9874 fel, Sec 1, Abst 542, Throckmorton CSL, 19 n Rankin; TD 10700; API #42-461-40727 Permit issued 11/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Brook O-2N #14H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 1295 fnl, 1280 fwl, Sec 19, Blk N, Abst 246, HE&WT RR, 20.1 ne Rankin; TD 10350; API #42-461-40736 Permit issued 11/29

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Andrews County

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usage and reduce its carbon emissions from pumping oil.

"We are proud to be an active part of California's low carbon future and lead the industry by adopting bold solutions to deliver valuable energy, more efficiently while protecting the environment," Aera CEO Christina Sistrunk said in a statement.

"By harnessing the power of the sun to produce oil, oil operators can efficiently reduce emissions using advanced technology, creating long-term benefits for the local economy and environment," Sanjeev Kumar, GlassPoint SVP for the Americas, said in the same statement.

An oil company working to reduce carbon emissions, and a renewable energy company supplying energy to a fossil fuel company. Partisans in both camps are spinning themselves up with outrage.

Yet this is what our all-of-the-above energy future should look like, and it is consistent with trends around the world. Practical analysis should deliver the best energy choice for a particular application, not parochial interests.

Yes, the oil extracted by Aera will release carbon dioxide and worsen climate change, but we can't eliminate oil production entirely, so we might as well produce oil as cleanly as possible.

Yes, oil companies can acknowledge that their product is damaging the planet without going bankrupt. In fact, cleaning up oilfield emissions is the best way to counteract criticism from environmentalists who drive gasoline-powered cars to protest pipelines.

Other countries don't see the contradiction. Saudi Arabia wants to install solar and nuclear power so that they don't have to burn oil and natural gas to produce electricity. After all, those products can be exported for a profit, so it's smart to reduce domestic consumption.

This is the same reason Iran wants a nuclear power program, but that's another column.

Unfortunately, too many people in the energy industry see the competition between fossil fuels and renewable energy sources as a zero-sum game.

Close examination of the GOP tax bill passed in the Senate on Saturday night reveals how lobbyists obtained many giveaways to fossil fuel companies while inserting measures that crush renewable companies.

For the time being, there is a need for all of these forms of energy.

We cannot continue to warm the planet at the current pace without making life on Earth dangerous and miserable. We need to reserve fossil fuel use for where we have no other options.

Most of all, though, we need our energy companies to work together and not against each other. In the case of Aera, it makes good business sense to switch to solar power.

And I imagine if more energy companies took the time to do the analysis, they would reach the same conclusion.



DEVELOPMENT WELLS

From 3F

Pennant Development and Production University –AB- #5
Martin (Consolidated); 330 fwl, 1237 fnl, Sec 18, Blk 10, Abst. 302U, ULS, 15.9 sw Andrews; TD 4700; API #42-003-47679 Permit issued 11/29

Ring Energy Inc
Flora #1H
Block A-34 (San Andres)-Horizontal; 2156 fnl, 810 fwl, Sec 18, Blk A-34, Abst. 1552, PSL, 15 nw Andrews; TD 5100; API #42-003-47670 Permit issued 11/27

Ring Energy Inc
Pan #1H
Block A-34 (San Andres)-Horizontal; 500 fsl, 1225 fwl, Sec 3, Blk A-34, Abst. 1231, PSL, 14 nw Andrews; TD 5100; API #42-003-47673 Permit issued 11/27

XTO Energy Inc
Fullerton Clearfork Unit #4773
Fullerton; 5412 fsl, 6382 fel, Sec 41, Blk 13, Abst. 433U, ULS, 13.5 w Andrews; TD 7475; API #42-003-47678 Permit issued 11/28

Culberson County

Chevron USA Inc
Hay Bowen 29/32 #0021WC
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 607 fnl, 2414 fel, Sec 29 Blk 28, T-1-S, Abst. 2652, T&P RR, 13.11 nw Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33243 Permit issued 11/29

Chevron USA Inc
Hay Bowen 29/32 #0022WD
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 582 fnl, 2415 fel, Sec 29 Blk 58, T-1-S, Abst. 2652, T&P RR, 13.11 nw Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33244 Permit issued 11/29

Chevron USA Inc
Hay Bowen 29/32 #0023WC
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 632 fnl, 2413 fel, Sec 29 Blk 58, T-1-S, Abst. 2652, T&P RR, 13.11 nw Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33245 Permit issued 11/29

Chevron USA Inc
Hay Bowen 29/32 #0024WD
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 657 fnl, 2412 fel, Sec 29 Blk 58, T-1-S, Abst. 2652, T&P RR, 13.11 nw Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33247 Permit issued 11/29

Chevron USA Inc
Hay Bowen 29/32 #0025WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 6832 fnl, 2412 fel, Sec 29, Blk 58, T-1-S, Abst. 2652, T&P RR, 13.11 nw Orla; TD 12000; API #42-109-33248 Permit issued 11/29

Cimarex Energy Co
Arvine 28 Unit 33H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 331 fsl, 2749 fel, Sec 28, Blk 59, Abst. 5084, T&P RR, 15.4 sw Orla; TD 15500; API #42-109-33239 Permit issued 11/20

Glasscock County

Cinnabar Operating LLC
Andrew #3804HS
Garden City South (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 130 fnl, 1214 fwl, Sec 38, Blk 35, Abst. 1171, T&P RR, 12.02 nw Garden City; TD 8500; API #42-173-37766 Permit issued 11/28

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Ingram Farms A #56
Petty 48 (Lower Strawn); 791 fnel, 1836 fnl, Sec 5, Blk 35, T-2-S, Abst. 525, Wade RR, 9.4 se Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-173-37780 Permit issued 11/30

Hunt Oil Company
Calverley B-Reed 20 #102HA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 515 fnl, 1050 fwl, Sec 33, Blk 36, T-4-S, Abst. 431, T&P RR, 15.1 sw Garden City; TD 8400; API #42-173-37770 Permit issued 11/29

Hunt Oil Company
Calverley B-Reed 20 #102HB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1080 fwl, 515 fnl, Sec 33, Blk 36, T-4-S, Abst. 431, T&P RR, 15.1 sw Garden City; TD 8750; API #42-173-37773 Permit issued 11/29

Laredo Petroleum Inc
J.E. Cox 33-45 (Alloc-H) #8SM
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7984 fnl, 200 fel, Sec 33, Blk 34, T-5-S, Abst. 281, T&P RR, 12.6 s Garden City; TD 9000; API #42-173-37753 Permit issued 11/30

Laredo Petroleum Inc
Fuchs G 46-34 (Alloc-A) #1NM
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2905 fsl, 745 fwl, Sec 46, Blk 34, T-5-S, Abst. 1131, T&P RR, 12.6 s Garden City; TD 9000; API #42-173-37754 Permit issued 11/30

Laredo Petroleum Inc.
Fuchs F 46-34 (Alloc-B) #2NU
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2930 fsl, 745 fwl, Sec 46, Blk 34, T-5-S, Abst. 1131, T&P RR, 12.6 s Garden City; TD 9000; API #42-173-37755 Permit issued 11/30

Laredo Petroleum Inc.
Fuchs G 46-34 (Alloc-A) #1NU
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2855 fsl, 745 fwl, Sec 46, Blk 34, T-5-S, Abst. 1131, T&P RR, 12.6 s Garden City; TD 9000; API #42-173-37736 Permit issued 11/30

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Jersey 35-23-H #4315H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 330 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 35, Blk 35, T-4-S, Abst. 353, T&P RR, 8.1 nw Garden City; TD 8738 Permit issued 11/27

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Jersey 35-23-H #4215H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 360 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 35, Blk 35, T-4-S, Abst. 353, T&P RR, 8.1 sw Garden City; TD 8537 Permit issued 11/28

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Jersey 35-23-H #2815H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 390 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 35, Blk 35, T-4-S, Abst. 353, T&P RR, 8.1 sw Garden City; TD 8031 Permit issued 11/28

Howard County

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Miscanthus 1612 #2AA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2095 fwl, 475 fnl, Sec 21, Blk 34, T-1-N, Abst. 391, T&P RR, 8.6 nw Big Spring; TD 10000; API #42-227-39306 Permit issued 11/27

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Miscanthus 1612 #1HA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 475 fnl, 2125 fwl, Sec 21, Blk 34, T-1-N, Abst. 391, T&P RR, 8.6 nw Big Spring; TD 9800; API #42-227-39307 Permit issued 11/27

CrownQuest Operating LLC
WRS Wheatgrass 2124 #1HA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 750 fsl, 2481 fel, Sec 12, Blk 34, T-1-N, Abst. 1736, T&P RR, 8.7 nw Big Spring; TD 9800; API #42-227-39379 Permit issued 12/1

CrownQuest Operating LLC
WRS Wheatgrass 2124 #2AA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 330 fwl, 520 fsl, Sec 12, Blk 34, T-1-N, Abst. 1736, T&P RR, 8.7 nw Big Spring; TD 10000; API #42-227-39381 Permit issued 12/1

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Joy 39 #7
Rose Petal (Lower Mississippian); 1150 fnl, 2125 fel, Sec 39, Blk 34, Abst. 422, T&P RR, 11.15 sw Big Spring; TD 12000; API #42-227-39382 Permit issued 11/30

Energen Resources Corporation
Adams NS 43-6 01 #201H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 405 fnl, 264 fwl, Sec 43, Blk 33, T-3-N, Abst. 355, T&P RR, 3.9 nw Knott; TD 9500; API #42-227-39369 Permit issued 11/27

Sabalo Operating LLC
Gunner 03-39 #1AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 505 fwl, 360 fsl, Sec 3, Blk 32, T-2-N, Abst. 264, T&P RR, 5.66 se Vealmoor; TD 9000; API #42-227-39377 Permit issued 11/29

Sabalo Operating LLC
Gunner 03-39 #1SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 360 fsl, 525 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 32, T-2-N, Abst. 264, T&P RR, 5.66 se Vealmoor; TD 9000; API #42-227-39378 Permit issued 11/29

Sabalo Operating LLC
Rising Sun 40-33 #1AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 380 fsl, 280 fwl, Sec 40, Blk 32, T-3-N, Abst. 1314, T&P RR, 3.88 se Vealmoor; TD 9000; API #42-227-39380 Permit issued 11/30

Loving County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Poplar 55-1-24 Unit #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 400 fsl, 495 fel, Sec 13, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 98, T&P RR, 18.39 nw Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33753 Permit issued 11/28

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Silvertip Unit Z #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 11443 fnl, 853 fwl, Abst. 1336, J.E. Whiteside, 19.3 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33754 Permit issued 11/29

EOG Resources Inc
Rustler B Unit #5H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 299 fnl, 481 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 76, PSL, 17.1 ne Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-301-33693 Permit issued 11/29

EOG Resources Inc
State Pathfinder 7 #38H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fnl, 1118 fwl, Sec 2, Blk 54, T-1, Abst. 1260, T&P RR, 20.3 n Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-301-33755 Permit issued 11/29

Matador Production Company
Totum 18-TTT-C24 NL #212H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 310 fnl, 1250 fwl, Sec 18, Blk C-24, Abst. 1030, PSL, 21 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33751 Permit issued 11/29

Matador Production Company
Wolf 80-TTT-B33 WF SA #205H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 6527 fnel, 945 fsel, Sec 80, Blk 33, Abst. 438, H&TC RR, 1.6 sw Mentone; TD 11000; API #42-301-33752 Permit issued 11/30

Rosehill Operating Company LLC
Z&T 42 #E006
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 573 fwl, Sec 42, Blk 54, T-1, Abst. 1301, T&P RR, 15 nw Mentone; TD 12175; API #42-301-33756 Permit issued 12/1

Rosehill Operating Company LLC
Z&T 42 #G009
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 437 fel, Sec 42, Blk 54, T-1, Abst. 1301, T&P RR, 15 nw Mentone; TD 12205; API #42-301-33759 Permit issued 12/1

Martin County

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Deets 36 #3
Rose Petal (Lower Mississippian); 475 fsl, 575 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 35, T-3-N, Abst. 1194, T&P RR, 7.5 se Flower Grove; TD 12000; API #42-317-41156 Permit issued 11/30

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
HSC 319U #10HD
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 276 fsl, 1173 fel, Labor 1, League 319, Abst. 998, Garza CSL, 9.31 nw Tarzan; TD 11000; API #42-317-41126 Permit issued 11/27

Energen Resources Corporation
Tiger Unit SN 245-252 #508H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 6772 fsl, 427 fel, Sec 245, Abst. 598, Dickens CSL, 6.2 ne Tarzan; TD 11000; API #42-317-41155 Permit issued 11/29

Hannathon Petroleum LLC
Nail B-1 #3
Paul Page (Atoka); 467 fsl, 660 fwl, Sec 1, Blk 38, T-1-S, Abst. 291, T&P RR, 11.7 w Stanton; TD 13000; API #42-317-41101 Permit issued 12/1

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Kellen 36-25-H #4315H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 245 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 36, Blk 36, T-1-S, Abst. 653, T&P RR, 3.6 se Stanton; TD 9450; API #42-317-41130 Permit issued 11/27

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Kellen 36-25-H #4215H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 275 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 36, Blk 36, T-1-S, Abst. 653, T&P RR, 3.6 se Stanton; TD 9106; API #42-317-41131 Permit issued 11/27

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Kellen 36-25-H #2815H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 305 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 36, Blk 36, T-1-S, Abst. 653, T&P RR, 3.6 se Stanton; TD 8618; API #42-317-41132 Permit issued 11/27

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Bevo 33 #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 410 fel, 345 fsl, Sec 33, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 57, T&P RR, 6.7 ne Stanton; TD 11262; API #42-317-41148 Permit issued 11/29

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody-Inez 37S #19H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2543 fsl, 1680 fel, Sec 37, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 254, T&P RR, 14.1 nw Stanton; TD 11000; API #42-317-41068 Permit issued 11/28

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody-Inez 37T #20H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2543 fsl, 1660 fel, Sec 37, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 254, T&P RR, 14.1 nw Stanton; TD 11000; API #42-317-41069 Permit issued 11/28

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Woody-Inez 37U #21H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2543 fsl, 1640 fel, Sec 37, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 254, T&P RR, 14.1 nw Stanton; TD 11000; API #42-317-41070 Permit issued 11/28

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Northeast Scharbauer #1116H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1 fsl, 1275 fel, Labor 11, League 322, Abst. 425, La Salle CSL, 19.8 nw Stanton; TD 11105; API #42-317-41134 Permit issued 11/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Northeast Scharbauer #1117H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1 fsl, 1255 fel, Labor 11, League 322, Abst. 425, La Salle CSL, 19.8 nw Stanton; TD 11105; API #42-317-41133 Permit issued 11/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Northeast Scharbauer #1118H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1 fsl, 1235 fel, Labor 11, League 322, Abst. 425, La Salle CSL, 19.8 nw Stanton; TD 11105; API #42-317-41135 Permit issued 11/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Northeast Scharbauer #1125H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 140 fsl, 470 fel, Labor 11, League 322, Abst. 425, La Salle CSL, 19.8 nw Stanton; TD 11105; API #42-317-41136 Permit issued 11/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Northeast Scharbauer #1126H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 140 fsl, 425 fel, Labor 11, League 322, Abst. 425, La Salle CSL, 19.8 nw Stanton; TD 11105; API #42-317-41137 Permit issued 11/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Northeast Scharbauer #1127H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 140 fsl, 380 fel, Labor 11, League 322, Abst. 425, La Salle CSL, 19.8 nw Stanton; TD 11105; API #42-317-41138 Permit issued 11/27

QEP Energy Company
Poe A #10SC
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 275 fsl, 270 fel, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9100; API #42-317-41144 Permit issued 11/29

QEP Energy Company
Poe A #10WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 300 fsl, 270 fel, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9500; API #42-317-41145 Permit issued 11/30

QEP Energy Company
Poe B #11BU
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 278 fsl, 1090 fel, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9714; API #42-317-41146 Permit issued 11/29

QEP Energy Company
Poe B #12SA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 328 fsl, 1090 fel, Sec 2, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 1171, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 8962; API #42-317-41147 Permit issued 11/29

QEP Energy Company
Poe C #12WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 353 fsl, 1090 fel, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9541; API #42-317-41149 Permit issued 11/30

QEP Energy Company
Poe C #14BL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 303 fsl, 1090 fel, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9866; API #42-317-41150 Permit issued 11/30

QEP Energy Company
Poe C #14SC
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 306 fsl, 697 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9116; API #42-317-41151 Permit issued 11/30

QEP Energy Company
Poe D #15WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 331 fsl, 697 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9541; API #42-317-41152 Permit issued 11/29

QEP Energy Company
Poe D #16SA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 281 fsl, 697 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 8962; API #42-317-41153 Permit issued 11/30

QEP Energy Company
Poe D #16BU
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 356 fsl, 696 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9714; API #42-317-41154 Permit issued 11/30

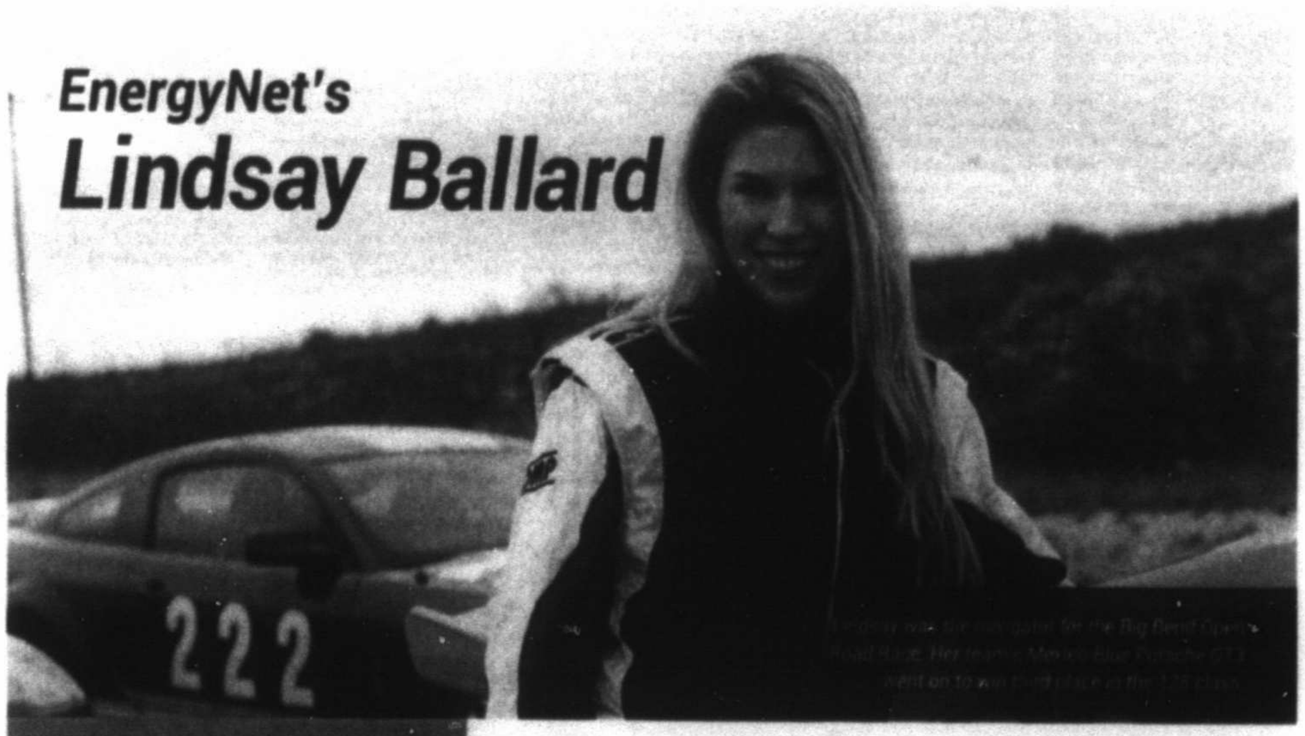
Midland County

COG Operating LLC
Windham TXL C10 #5316LH
Pegasus (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 2142 fnl, 2193 fel, Sec 9, Blk 40, T-4-S, Abst. 297, T&P RR, 19.9 s Midland; TD 11000; API #42-329-42131 Permit issued 11/30

COG Operating LLC
Windham TXL C11 #5305LH
Pegasus (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 2170 fnl, 2227 fel, Sec 9, Blk 40, Abst. 1355, T&P RR, 19.9 s Midland; TD 11000; API #42-329-42135 Permit issued 11/30

CrownQuest Operating LLC
FR Unobtanium 1411 D #7HA
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 337 fsl, 981 fel, Sec 23, Blk 37, T-3-S, Abst. 481, T&P RR, 3.54 s Spraberry; TD 9200; API #42-329-42006 Permit

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CrownQuest Operating LLC
FR Unobtanium 1411 #3HB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 732 fwl, 336 fsl, Sec 23, Blk 37, T-3-S, Abst. 481, T&P RR, 3.54 s Spraberry; TD 9400; API #42-329-42026 Permit issued 11/28

CrownQuest Operating LLC
FR Unobtanium 1411 C #5BB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 1024 fwl, 336 fsl, Sec 23, Blk 37, T-3-S, Abst. 481, T&P RR, 3.54 s Spraberry; TD 9800; API #42-329-42048 Permit issued 11/28

Diamondback E&P LLC
ST #4048WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 375 fel, 499 fnl, Sec 40, Blk 40, T-2-S, Abst. 801, T&P RR, 4.6 sw Midland; TD 10610; API #42-329-42034 Permit issued 11/27

Diamondback E&P LLC
Line Drive D #2WB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2462 fel, 1871 fsl, Sec 48, Blk 40, T-1-S, Abst. 830, T&P RR, 4.75 sw Midland; TD 10848; API #42-329-42098 Permit issued 11/28

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
Windham 33E #1HF
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 110 fsl, 562 fel, Sec 33, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 16.83 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42118 Permit issued 11/30

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
Windham 33E #2HE
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 110 fsl, 512 fel, Sec 33, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 16.83 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42119 Permit issued 11/30

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
Windham 33E #3HM
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 110 fsl, 462 fel, Sec 33, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 16.83 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42120 Permit issued 11/30

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
Windham 33F #4HF
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 110 fsl, 412 fel, Sec 33, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 16.81 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42121 Permit issued 11/30

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
Windham 33F #5HE
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 111 fsl, 37 fel, Sec 33, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 16.8 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42122 Permit issued 11/30

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
Windham 33F #6HM
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 111 fsl, 13 fwl, Sec 33, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 16.8 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42123 Permit issued 11/30

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
Windham 33G #7HF
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 111 fsl, 63 fwl, Sec 33, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 16.78 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42124 Permit issued 11/30

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
Windham 33G #8HM
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 111 fsl, 113 fwl, Sec 33, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 16.77 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42125 Permit issued 11/30

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
Windham 33G #9HE
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 111 fsl, 488 fwl, Sec 33, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 16.77 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42126 Permit issued 11/30

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
Windham 33X #10HF
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 111 fsl, 538 fwl, Sec 33, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 16.74 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42127 Permit issued 11/30

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
Windham 33X #11HM
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 111 fsl, 588 fwl, Sec 33, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 16.75 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42128 Permit issued 11/30

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc
Windham 33X #12HE
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 111 fsl, 638 fwl, Sec 33, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 289, T&P RR, 16.74 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42129 Permit issued 11/30

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Rio Lavaca 17-48 Unit 2 #151
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 475 fnl, 2593 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 39, T-3-S, Abst. 970, T&P RR, 13.4 s Midland; TD 11000; API #42-329-42080 Permit issued 11/28

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Rio Lavaca 17-48 Unit 2 #252
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 475 fnl, 2568 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 39, T-3-S, Abst. 970, T&P RR, 13.4 s Midland; TD 11000; API #42-329-42081 Permit issued 11/28

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Elkin 44 #2
Spraberry (Trend Area); 500 fnl, 2316 fel, Sec 44, Blk 38, T-1-S, Abst. 703, T&P RR, 3.1 e Midland; TD 11000; API #42-329-42113 Permit issued 11/29

Lario Oil & Gas Company
Clark 2 #101WB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 249 fsl, 663 fel, Sec 23, Blk 38, Abst. 109, T&P RR, 21.7 se Midland; TD 9400; API #42-329-42011 Permit issued 11/28

Permian Deep Rock Oil Co. LLC
Waffle Irion #H110MS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 544 fsl, 570 fel, Sec 42, Blk 38, T-1-S, Abst. 1124, T&P RR, 2.2 ne Midland; TD 8300; API #42-329-42114 Permit issued 11/30

Permian Deep Rock Oil Co. LLC
Waffle Irion #H115SS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 528 fsl, 627 fel, Sec 42, Blk 38, T-1-S, Abst. 1124, T&P RR, 2.2 ne Midland; TD 8610; API #42-329-42115 Permit issued 11/30

Permian Deep Rock Oil Co. LLC
Waffle Irion #H115WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 536 fsl, 599 fel, Sec 42, Blk 38, T-1-S, Abst. 1124, T&P RR, 2.2 ne Midland; TD 9500; API #42-329-42116 Permit issued 11/30

Permian Deep Rock Oil Co. LLC
Bulldog #H140UX
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 590 fnwl, 2380 fnel, Sec 12, Blk 39, T-2-S, Abst. 662, J.E. Gardner, 2.4 sw Midland; TD 11800; API #42-329-42139 Permit issued 12/1

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
McClintic-ODaniel 60P #16H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1140 fwl, 150 fnl, Sec 60, Abst. 973, J.R. Ray, 13.4 se Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42130 Permit issued 11/30

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
McClintic-ODaniel 60Q #17H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1160 fwl, 150 fnl, Sec 60, Abst. 973, J.R. Ray, 13.4 se Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42132 Permit issued 11/30

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
McClintic-ODaniel 60R #18H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1180 fwl, 150 fnl, Sec 60, Abst. 973, J.R. Ray, 13.4 se Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42133 Permit issued 11/30

RSP Permian LLC
MCC HZ Unit #1113H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 285 fnl, 2348 fel, Sec 11, Blk X, Abst. 642, H.P. Hilliard, 5.2 n Midland; TD 12000; API #42-329-42087 Permit issued 11/28

Pecos County

Diamondback E&P LLC
State Neal Lethco 7-8 A #1WA
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 393 fel, 727 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 142, Abst. 8665, T&STL RR, 13.54 se Coyanosa; TD 10660; API #42-371-39644 Permit issued 11/28

Diamondback E&P LLC
State Neal Lethco 10-9 A #1WA
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 422 fel, 727 fsl, Sec 8, Blk 142, Abst. 8665, T&STL RR, 13.54 se Coyanosa; TD 10660; API #42-371-39643 Permit issued 11/28

Gary Permian LLC
Imogene #1
Wolfbone (Trend Area), 1200 fnl, 1320 fwl, Sec 18, Blk 118, Abst. 5472, T&STL RR, 7.7 se Fort Stockton; TD 17000; API #42-371-39647 Permit issued 11/29

Gordy Oil Company
Fat Boy #1H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1370 fsl, 50 fwl, Sec 47, Blk 1, Abst. 3211, TC RR, 6.3 ne Fort Stockton; TD 9500; API #42-371-39645 Permit issued 11/29

Halcon Operating Co. Inc.
Bobby West #1H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 521 fwl, 600 fsl, Sec 6, Blk 48, T-9-S, Abst. 6235, T&P RR, 20.4 nw Fort Stockton; TD 13000; API #42-371-39639 Permit issued 11/27

Halcon Operating Co. Inc.
Johnny-Hannah #1H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 275 fsl, 1360 fel, Sec 18, Blk 48, T-9-S, Abst. 6997, T&P RR, 20.3 nw Fort Stockton; TD 13000; API #42-371-39646 Permit issued 11/30

Reeves County

Apache Corporation
Burnside #404BH
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 325 fsl, 1600 fwl, Sec 32, Blk 56, Abst. 3698, T&P RR, 10.8 se Orla; TD 16000; API #42-389-36587 Permit issued 12/1

Apache Corporation
Burnside #405AH
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 325 fsl, 2370 fwl, Sec 32, Blk 56, Abst. 3698, T&P RR, 10.8 se Orla; TD 16000; API #42-389-36588 Permit issued 12/1

Apache Corporation
Burnside #406BH
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 325 fsl, 2400 fwl, Sec 32, Blk 56, Abst. 3698, T&P RR, 10.8 se Orla; TD 16000; API #42-389-36589 Permit issued 12/1

Carrizo (Permian) LLC
Zero 45 #10H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 262 fnl, 713 fel, Sec 45, Blk 45, Abst. 2066, PSL, 15.9 sw Orla; TD 11000; API #42-389-36591 Permit issued 12/1

Chevron USA Inc.
Rev GF State T7-50-46 #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 491 fnl, 1040 fel, Sec 3, Blk 50, T-8-S, Abst. 711, T&P RR, 19.4 se Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-36574 Permit issued 11/29

Chevron USA Inc.
Rev GF State T7-50-46 #5H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 491 fnl, 1015 fel, Sec 3, Blk 50, T-8-S, Abst. 711, T&P RR, 19.4 se Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-36575 Permit issued 11/29

Chevron USA Inc.
Rev GF State T7-50-46 #6H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 491 fnl, 990 fel, Sec 3, Blk 50, T-8-S, Abst. 711, T&P RR, 19.4 se Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-36577 Permit issued 11/29

COG Operating LLC
Schmitt State #621H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 668 fnl, 305 fel, Sec 6, Blk 57, T-1, Abst. 2105, T&P RR, 12.9 nw Orla; TD 11000; API #42-389-36560 Permit issued 11/27

EOG Resources Inc.
State Street 20-29 C Unit 32H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 275 fnl, 349 fel, Sec 20, Blk 57, Abst. 4442, PSL, 16.9 se Orla; TD 14000; API #42-389-36592 Permit issued 12/1

Oxy USA WTP LP
Lyda 33-40-5S State #15H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 373 fsl, 1706 fel, Sec 28, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 2419, T&P RR, 13.8 s Pecos; TD 14000; API #42-389-36568 Permit issued 11/27

Oxy USA WTP LP
Lyda 33-40-4S State #14H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 373 fsl, 1746 fel, Sec 28, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 2419, T&P RR, 13.8 s Pecos; TD 14000; API #42-389-36572 Permit issued 11/27

Oxy USA WTP LP
Lyda 33-40-3S State #13H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 373 fsl, 1962 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 2419, T&P RR, 13.8 s Pecos; TD 14000; API #42-389-36575 Permit issued 11/27

Oxy USA WTP LP
Lyda 33-40-2S State #12H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 373 fsl, 1922 fwl, Sec 28, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 2419, T&P RR, 13.8 s Pecos; TD 14000; API #42-389-36573 Permit issued 11/27

PDC Permian Inc.
Hornet State 0607 1U 8A 1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 547 fnl, 235 fwl, Sec 5, Blk 56, Abst. 6006, PSL, 31.98 nw Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-36570 Permit issued 11/28

PRI Operating LLC
Darlington Unit 11A #3H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 500 fsl, 1650 fwl, Sec 14, Blk C-5, Abst. 5936, PSL, 17 nw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-36571 Permit issued 11/27

PRI Operating LLC
Iguana Unit 6A #6H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 21n0 fsl, 560 fel, Sec 6, Blk C-5, Abst. 1368, PSL, 21.8 nw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-36569 Permit issued 11/28

PRI Operating LLC
Indy 12 #3H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 250 fnl, 1650 fwl, Sec 12, Blk C-5, Abst. 1218, PSL, 16.4 nw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-36540 Permit issued 11/28

Ward County

Diamondback E&P LLC
Warmblood Unit 7372 #1Wa
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 220 fsel, 1766 fnel, Sec 73, Blk 34, Abst. 214, H&TC RR, 7.18 se Pyote; TD 12220; API #42-475-37324 Permit issued 11/30

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
W.D. Johnson #0100
Estes Block 34 (Pennsylvanian); 700 fnel, 1984 fsel, Sec 28, Blk 34, Abst. 1257, H&TC RR, 9.92 sw Monahans; TD 12000; API #42-475-37384 Permit issued 12/1

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
G.W. O'Brien et al #2018
Wagon Wheel (Pennsylvanian)-Directional; 3404 fnel, 3422 fsel, Sec 20, Blk F, Abst. 6, G&MMB&A, .5 ne Wickett; TD 12000; API #42-475-37385 Permit issued 12/1

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
G.W. O'Brien et al #2021
Wagon Wheel (Pennsylvanian)-Directional; 3340 fnel, 8583 fsel, Sec 19, Blk F, Abst. 5, G&MMB&A, 1.4 ne Wickett; TD 12000; API #42-475-37386 Permit issued 12/1

Shell Western E&P
ZPZ 34-196 WRD Unit #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 362 fswl, 1115 fsel, Sec 196, Blk 34, Abst. 720, H&TC RR, 4.7 ne Barstow; TD 12000; API #42-475-37331 Permit issued 11/29

Shell Western E&P
ZPZ 34-196 WRD Unit #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 359 fswl, 1265 fsel, Sec 196, Blk 34, Abst. 720, H&TC RR, 4.8 ne Barstow; TD 12000; API #42-475-37329 Permit issued 11/29

Shell Western E&P
ZPZ 34-196 WRD Unit #3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 360 fswl, 1205 fsel, Sec 196, Blk 34, Abst. 720, H&TC RR, 4.8 ne Barstow; TD 12000; API #42-475-37330 Permit issued 11/29

Winkler County

Apache Corporation
Seth Campbell #104
Keystone (Consolidated)-Directional; 1160 fnl, 270 fwl, Sec 23, Blk B-3, Abst. 13598, PSL, 1.85 ne Kermit; TD 5900; API #42-495-34001 Permit issued 12/1

Boyd & McWilliams Operating LLC
V Bar 10 #1H
Keystone (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 501 fnl, 2124 fwl, Sec 15, Blk 40, Abst. 1882, PSL, 12 se Kermit; TD 8300; API #42-495-33996 Permit issued 11/29

Impetro Operating LLC
Meerkat #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 250 fsl, 990 fwl, Sec 16, Blk C-23, Abst. 1324, PSL, 12.4 nw Kermit; TD 12500; API #42-495-33991 Permit issued 12/1

Impetro Operating LLC
Meerkat #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 455 fsl, 1466 fel, Sec 16, Blk C-23, Abst. 1324, PSL, 12.4 nw Kermit; TD 12500; API #42-495-33998 Permit issued 11/29

Impetro Operating LLC
Camel #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 250 fnl, 1660 fel, Sec 7, Blk 74, Abst. 714, PSL, 12.4 nw Kermit; TD 12500; API #42-495-33999 Permit issued 11/29

Impetro Operating LLC
Hippo #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 250 fnl, 990 fel, Sec 23, Blk C-23, Abst. 1392, PSL, 13.4 nw Kermit; TD 12500; API #42-495-33997 Permit issued 11/29

Impetro Operating LLC
Tiger #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 915 fsl, 1650 fwl, Sec 25, Blk C-23, Abst. 1394, PSL, 14.1 nw Kermit; TD 12500; API #42-495-34000 Permit issued 11/30

Shell Western E&P
University 20 TG Unit #3903H
Two Georges (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 1353 fnel, 10175 fsel, Sec 39, Blk 20, Abst. 34U, ULS, 9.6 sw Wink; TD 10000; API #42-495-33993 Permit issued 11/30

Shell Western E&P
University 20 TG Unit #3905H
Two Georges (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 1352 fnel, 10115 fsel, Sec 39, Blk 20, Abst. 34U, ULS, 9.6 sw Wink; TD 10000; API #42-495-33994 Permit issued 11/30

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Borden County

Surge Operating LLC
Dragon Unit B 20-29 #7AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 301 fnl, 754 fel, Sec 20, Blk 32, T-3-N, Abst. 1052, T&P RR, 2.1 ne Vealmoor; TD 10000; API #42-033-32442 Permit issued 11/30

Gaines County

Adventure Operating Company LLC

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Consistency is key for barbecue and produced water treatment

OrionWater Solutionsad-juststreatments tokeepoutput consistentas waterquality changes

By Warren Sumner, President
Orion Water Solutions



Careful testing and control on a 24/7 basis is Orion Water Solutions' recipe for consistent water treatment success. Call them at 432-219-8100 to put that consistency to work in your water systems.

Do you have a favorite barbecue place? One that for sure, every time you go there, you know that brisket will be falling-apart tender and the smoky flavor will be bursting forth all the way through every bite? Or does your place sometimes have a bad day, where the meat just doesn't meet your standards? After all, a lot of folks can cook brisket, but how many can put out great product every single day?

Treating produced water is a lot like barbecue—you've got to stay on it all the time to make sure what comes out is just what the customer is expecting. So that's what we do, whether we're running a mobile unit to follow the frac spread or we're operating a fixed facility to supply a large field.

More and more producers are looking to economize their produced water re-use program by using a hub-and-spoke configuration to aggregate produced water, treat it at a central battery, then send it back out for frac jobs and work overs with a booster treatment before it goes down hole.

You may well imagine that, just like a restaurant's brisket supply, the water chemistry from producing wells that flow into a treatment system changes rapidly over time. New wells come on, existing wells' chemistry changes over their lifetimes, wells go offline for repairs—you get the picture.

Plus, it's surprising how little mixing happens as water from various sources flows through pipes and in-and-out of tanks. After hours in the system there will still be clearly defined layers of water with varying chemistry!

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	In Touch Ministries		GMA/Sunday		TheTruth	House	Matter	This Week		Church	J.Jones	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Homes.	Carrasco	First Baptist		CBS Sunday Morning (N)			Face the Nation		Mission	The NFL Today (L)	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Hunters	Hunters	Beakman	Beakman	Bill Nye	Bill Nye	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	Brady8.	Brady8.
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Extra	W.Minist	Insight	FaithAlve	Fox News Sunday		Odessa	Garret	NFL Kickoff (L)		NFL Sunday (L)	
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Light of Southwest		Esential	Mission	Touch Ministries		GnWings	Messiah	Shepherd's Heart		Nueva Vida	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Minute	Secrets	InSearch	B&N	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press (N)		Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Sesame	Cat/ Hat	Speaks	Splash8.	Sid	Cat	Jet Go!	Wild K.	O. Squad	Arthur	Cyberch.	Stretch
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Pagado	Pagado	Programa pagado		Notas divinas		Al punto		Aquí y ahora		Fútbol Central	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		LadiNat.	Latino	Spaces	Homeo.	Green	Hazelton	PmPmds	Garden	First Baptist		The NFL Today	
FLIX	340	575		185		(6:05) Conan the Destroyer		(7:45) Dreamscape						Kingpin			Movie
HBO	300	350	14	14		Movie	Real Sports			Boxing HBO After Dark				TrtLook		Batman v Superman: D...	
HBO2	302	351	15	101	23	(11:15) Brilliant Thing	TrtLook	(2:50) Wilson				Curb	(5:45) Curb	(11:15) Curb	(5:45) Curb	(2:20) Curb	(5:50) Curb
HBO5	304	352	16	102		(5:40) A Abandon		(2:20) Miss Peregrine's Home for P...						(2:20) Speed	Keanu Reeves.		Movie
MAX	300	357	17	120	24	(5:30) Nine to Five		(2:30) Mamma Mia!	Meryl Streep.					(11:15) CHIPS	Dax Shepard.	(5:30) Bad Boys II	
MAX2	302	358	18	122		(5:30) Into the B...		(1:15) Final Destination						(5:30) Now You See Me 2		(2:00) Wyatt Earp	
FLIX			96			(5:55) Bobby Jones: Stroke of Genius		(2:05) Prime						(2:50) An Ideal Husband			Movie
SHOW	320	545	19	140	25	(5:25) American...		Inside the NFL		Home				I Am Number Four		Con Air	
TMC	336	573	22	150	26	(5:15) Casper Christina Ricci.				Do-Lovely ('04, Bio) Kevin Kline.						The Babadook	Movie
AAE	27	58	28	35	47	Dog B.N.	Dog B.N.	Dog B.N.	Dog B.N.	Dog B.N.	Dog B.N.	OzzyandJack		OzzyandJack		S. Wars	S. Wars
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(5:00) Walking Dead		(6:00) Walking Dead		(6:00) Walking Dead				(11:15) Walking Dead		(11:15) Walking Dead	
BET	58			40		J. Grier	Walk	Fellow.	Abundant	Browns	Browns	Browns	Browns	Browns	Browns	(5:00) Takers	
BRAVO	65	76		41		Real Housewives		Real Housewives		Tardy...	Tardy...	Tardy...	Tardy...	Below Deck		RelationShop	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	(5:30) Paid Program											
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	New Day Sunday		Inside Politics		State of the Union		Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources		State of the Union	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Gold Rush 'Inferno'		Gold Rush		Gold Rush		Homestead		Homestead		Homestead	
DISNEY	56	64	38	25	36	Puppy	Mickey	Puppy	Vamp	Elena	Tangled	Transf.	Mickey	Home Alone: The Holid...		Stuck&M.	
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)				Sunday NFL Countdown (L)			
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	SEC Storied		30 for 30		E:60 (N)				Fantasy Football Now (L)			
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday						Morning Futures		MediaBuzz		News HQ	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Southern	Southern	Rules	Heart	Cooking	Cooking	Cooking	Cooking	Holiday	Brunch	Guy's R.	Cooking
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	Jack Frost		Snow Day Chevy Chase.						(6:45) Richie Rich's Christmas Wish		(10:15) The Santa	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Diaries	Cowboys	Golf Life		Paid	Paid	H.S. Scoreb.		XPoints	Texans	Focused	Xterra
FX	31	56	59	64	09	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Riddick Vin Diesel.			
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	(5:00) Broadcas...		A Crown for Christmas						A Wish for Christmas Paul Greene.		Switched for	
HGTV	63	69	28	48	44	Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Property Brothers		FlexFlip	FlexFlip	FlexFlip	FlexFlip
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Top Gear 'Texas'		Top Gear		Counting Cars: Drive 'Mercury Rising' (N)						Pawn S.	Pawn S.
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	In Touch Ministries		Amazing	David J.	J.Osteen	Paid	Snowman	DelCMas	The Holiday Cameron Diaz.			
MSNBC	47	53		48	73	MSNBC	Business	PoliticsNation (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		AM Joy (N)				MSNBC Live (N)	
NBCSN	38	43				EPL Soccer Arsenal at Southampton (L)				Live		EPL Soccer Everton/Liverp'l (L)		Live		EPL Soccer (L)	
NICK	55		39	34	37	ALVIN	ALVINNN	Ranger	Mysticon	Sponge	Sponge	The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge				Loud H.	Loud H.
SPIKE	30		55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program		Off-Road	L. Power	Truck Y.	D.Muscle	Taken ('08, Thrill) Liam Neeson.			
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00) Paid Program		The November Man ('14, Act) Pierce Brosnan.						xXx ('02, Act) Vin Diesel.			
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Queens	Queens	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends			Killers Ashton Kutcher.			Knocked Up
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	Movie		A Star Is Born Fredric March.						The Breaking Point			Holiday Affair
TELE	20		10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	EPL Fútbol Everton at Liverpool (L)				La liga		EPL Fútbol (L)	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings	
TNT	24	34	40	28	50	Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones										Star Wars: Episode III - Revenge of the	
TYLAND	49		35	54	35	Chris	G.Gilc's	Golden Girls		G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	Golden Girls		G. Girls	G. Girls
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Paid	T.Point	In Touch	J.Osteen	Cromartie	Chrisley	Damnation		SVU "Payback"		SVU "Entitled"	
WGN	19	85				Lord	Credo	World	Paid	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops

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	G	S	R	C	W	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	C'mas Light Fight		C'mas Light Fight		American Ninja		News	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	NFL Football Minnesota Vikings at Carolina Panthers (L)								(6:05) To Be Announced			News
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Brady8.	Brady8.	ALF 1/2	ALF 2/2	The Love Boat: The Christmas Cr...				The Love Boat		The Love Boat	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	NFL Football (L)						NFL Football (L)					
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Shofar	Mari E	Aleph	Creation	Southwest		Southwest		HaYesod	Hebrew	Walls Of	Hosanna.
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	FIS Snowboarding		PGA Golf Shark Shootout (L)				ISU GP "Grand Prix Final Recap" (N)				Ins. Ed.	News
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Yoga	Wildern.	Martha	Martha	Chef's	Chef	British Baking		Nova		News	Japan
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	NFL Fútbol (L)				Republica		Como Dice dicho		Al punto		Nacional	Noticia
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Wondrous	Bucket	Green	Homes	Cars.TV	A.Athlete	Entertainers		Missing	Carrasco	Outdoor	Outdoor
FLIX	340	575		185		(11:20) The Rite		(1:15) Dawn of the Dead						Witness ('85, Crt) Harrison Ford.		(5:05) The Score	
HBO	300	350	14	14		(10:30) Batman v		(2:00) Kong: Skull Island						Newspaperman		(4:45) X-Men: Apocalypse	
HBO2	302	351	15	101	23	(11:00) Curb	Curb	(2:00) Curb	(2:45) Curb	(2:20) Curb "Fatwa"				(1:15) Boxing HBO After Dark			
HBO5	304	352	16	102		(11:30) Hamlet 2		(1:10) Split ('16, Hor) James McAvoy.						(1:10) Jackie ('16, Dra) Natalie Portman.		(2:05) Curb	Movie
MAX	300	357	17	120	24	(10:00) Bad Boys II		(2:20) Duplicity ('09, Rom) Clive Owen.						(2:20) 15 Minutes			Movie
MAX2	302	358	18	122		(11:40) Wyatt Earp Kevin Costner.				(2:20) Absolute Power Clint Eastwood.						(2:25) Class Action	
FLIX			96			(11:20) The Evening Star		(1:45) Keeping Up With th...				(2:20) Hollywood Ending				(1:15) Prime	
SHOW	320	545	19	140	25	(11:00) Con Air	White	White	White	White	White	White	White	White	White	White	
TMC	336	573	22	150	26	(11:45) Jaws 3		Smokey and the Bandit III				High Fidelity John Cusack.				The Chain	
AAE	27	58	28	35	47	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	Storage Wars		Armageddon ('98, Adv) Bruce Willis.				
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	Dead	(5:00) Dead "Mercy"		(5:45) Walking Dead			(5:45) Walking Dead			(5:45) Walking Dead	(5:05) Dead	
BET	58			40		(11:00) Takers Chris Brown.				Django Unchained ('12, West) Christoph Waltz, Jamie Foxx.							
BRAVO	65	76		41		Vanderpump Rules		Housewives NJ		Housewives NJ		Housewives Atl.		Housewives Atl.		Housewives Atl.	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	(5:30) Paid Program										Shark Tank	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Homes "Alaska"		Ultimate Homes		Ultimate Homes		Homes "Mountain"		Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier	
DISNEY	56	64	38	25	36	Stuck&M.	(:20) Blizard.	Andi&M.	Underc.	Raven's.	Stuck&M.	Bunk'd	Austin	Raven's.	Stuck&M.	Bunk'd	Austin
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	PBA Bowling		NCAA Basketball Ariz.		Kan. (L)		Poker World Series		Poker World Series		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	NCAA Soccer College Cup (L)				NCAA Basketball Tex./Tenn. (L)				30 for 30 "Nature Boy"		Reading	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal Edit.		News HQ		Greg Gutfeld		News HQ	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	The Kitchen		Holiday Baking		BestFlay	BestFlay	BestFlay	BestFlay	Iron Chef: Behind		Iron Chef Show	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(11:10) The San...		(1:10) A Christmas Carol						The Santa Clause Tim Allen.			Movie
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	NHL Hockey Vegas vs Dallas				NCAA Basketball S.Low/TCU (L)				UFC FN	Focused	Mavricks	Mavs Pre
FX	31	56	59	64	09	(10:30) Riddick		X-Men: Days of Future Past ('14, Adv) Hugh Jackman.								Jurassic World	
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	(11:00) Switched		The Christmas Cottage				The Christmas Train				Christmas In...	
HGTV	63	69	28	48	44	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bath&Re.	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	White House	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(10:30) The Hallid...		Holiday Switch Nicole Eggert						A Gift Wrapped Christmas		Christmas In	
MSNBC	47	53		48	73	MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		Meet the Press	
NBCSN	38	43				Soccer	Goal Zone (L)		Sport	Tractor Pulling		Dirt Racing		Racer TV	Triathlon		
NICK	55		39	34	37	Loud H.	Loud H.	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	H.Danger	Thunder	GShakes	Nicky	Tiny Christmas	
SPIKE	30		55	53	58	The Lincoln Lawyer ('11, Dra) Matthew McConaughey.								Training Day Denzel Washington.			Taken
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Stickman ('17, Horror) Anthony Lemke.								A.I. Jon Benjamin Channing Tatum.		Thor	
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Knocked...		You Don't Mess With the Zohan						The Hangover Part II Bradley Cooper.			
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	Movie		Meet Me in St. Louis Judy Garland.						Lassie Come Home		Harvey	
TELE	20		10	20		Fútbol	La Liga Premier (L)	Enlogue		Ice Age			De chica	De chica	La Abeja	Decision	Nerdcles
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Long Lost Family		Long Lost Family		Long Lost Family		Long Lost Family		Long Lost Family		90 Day Fiancé	
TNT	24	34	40	28	50	Movie		Star Wars: Episode IV - A New Hope						Star Wars: Episode V - The Empire Strikes Back			
TYLAND	49		35	54	35	G.Girls	G.Girls	Golden Girls		G. Girls	G. Girls	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba
USA	26	55	42	27	49	SVU "Scavenger"		Law&Order: SVU		SVU "Baggage"		SVU "Rollover"		SVU "Fight"		SVU "Official Story"	
WGN	19	85				Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Blindl. "Lost South"	

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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	America's Funniest Home Videos (N)		Frozen ('13, Fam) Voices of Idina Menzel, Kristen Bell.				Encore! (N)		News (N)	(:05) Blue Bloods		(:05) Extra
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		Wisdom of Crowd "Live Stream" (N)		NCIS: LA "Forasteira" (N)		Madam Secretary "Homeland" (N)		CBS 7 News at 10:00 p.m. (N)	(:35) CBS 7 Wire	Cheers	(:05) Falcon
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Touch Angel "The Quality of Mercy"		Columbo "Murder, Smoke and Shadows"				Touched by Angel "Flesh and Blood"		Honey-mamas	The Odd Couple	Inside Gsove	8 Now-hart
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	The OT (L)		The Simpsons (N)	Bob's Burgers (N)		Family Guy (N)	The Big Bang	Mom	2 Broke Girls	Inside Gsove	Robert Jeffress	Texans 360
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Mission: M25	Shepherd's Heart	Essentials	Light of the Southwest			Light of the Southwest		Update News	Behind the Veil	Wings of Truth	Our Messiah
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Football Night in America (L)		(:20) NFL Football Baltimore Ravens at Pittsburgh Steelers Site: Heinz Field -- Pittsburgh, Pa. (L)							News9+ at 9 (N)	County Reporter	Film Flickers
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Nature "The Sagebrush Sea"		Great Performances "Driving Miss Daisy"		The Making of a Lady				Finding/ Roots "Family Reunions"		Spanglish	
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Aquí y ahora		La rosa de Guadalupe		Los Milagros de Jesus		Los Milagros de Jesus		María de Todos	Noticiero: PDS	Angie M.	República deportiva
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Bones		Blindl & Isles		CSI "Triple Threat"		Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Angie M.	Angie M.	Scandal	
FLIX	340	575		185		(6:00) The Score		(8:00) Conan the Barbarian				(10:15) Conan the Destroyer				The Descent	
HBO	300	350	14	14		(6:45) X-Men: Ap...		(8:15) X-Men Origins: Wolverine				Logan Hugh Jackman.				Thirty-Tw...	
HBO2	302	351	15	101	23	Warcraft (:15) The Great Wall				Comedy		La La Land ('15, Com) Emma Stone.			(:45) Fantastic Beasts & ...		
HBO5	304	352	16	102		(6:00) Rules Don't Apply Alec Baldwin.				Speed Keanu Reeves.						Enough Jennifer Lopez.	
MAX	300	357	17	120	24	(6:00) Identity		Dead Calm Sam Neill.				The Bellas Experiment				Orphan Vera Farmiga.	
MAX2	302	358	18	122		(:15) The French Connection				Unforgiven Clint Eastwood.						Demolition Jake Gyllenhaal.	
FLIX			96			(5:10) Prime		(7:45) The Evening Star				(10:15) An Ideal Husband				Keeping Up With th...	
SHOW	320	545	19	140	25	Shameless		White	SMILF	Shameless (N)		SMILF	White	Shameless		SMILF	
TMC	336	573	22	150	26	(6:00) The Claim		Gangs of New York ('02, Dra) Leonardo DiCaprio.								Open Range Robert Duvall.	
AAE	27	58	28	35	47	(5:30) Armageddo...		Walking Tall				Dog & Beth: Fight of Their Lives				Walking Tall	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(5:00) Walking Dead		Dead "Now It's Gotta Be" (N)		Talking "Still" (N)				Dead "Now It's Gotta Be"			
BET	58			40		Movie		Diary of a Mad Black Woman ('05, Dra) Kimberly Elise.						Girlfriends	Random	Shameless	
BRAVO	65	76		41		Atlanta Social (N)		Atlanta (N)		Married Medicine		Housewives Atl.		Watch	Housewives Atl.		Vanderpt.
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Shark Tank	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		Anthony Bourdain		Anthony Bourdain		Anthony "Tokyo"		Anthony "Okinawa"	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Alaska/Frontier		Alaska: Exp. (N)		Alaska/Frontier (N)		Cash Cab	Cash Cab	Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier	
DISNEY	56	64	38	25	36	Finding Nemo		(:40) Finch Middle	Blizard.	Andi&M.	Andi&M.	Underc.	Underc.	Stuck&M.	Bunk'd	Stuck&M.	Bunk'd
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)		Capital One Bowl Mandy (L)						SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	(6:00) Bowling Top Lanes				Kickboxing Glory 49				Poker World Series		ESPN FC (N)	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	FOX Report		OBJECTified		Next Revolution		Fox News Sunday		OBJECTified		Next Revolution	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Guy's Game		Guy's Game (N)		Guy's Project (N)		Guy's Project (N)		Diners, Drive-In		Guy's Big Project	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(6:00) National Lampoon's ...				(:40) Elf ('03, Com) Will Ferrell.				(10:00) Four Christmases Vince Vaughn.			
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	NBA Basketball Dallas vs Minnesota (L)						Mavs Pre		WWE Poker		Cowboy School	WWE Poker
FX	31	56	59	64	09	(6:30) Jurassic...		Furious 7 ('15, Act) Paul Walker, Vin Diesel.								Furious 7 ('15, Act) Vin Diesel.	
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	(6:00) Christma...		Sharing Christmas (*)						A Gift to Remember All Union.		The Mistletoe...	
HGTV	63	69	28	48	44	Fixer Upper		Unsell	Unsell	Unsell	Unsell	Restore	Restore	Life	Life	Unsell	Unsell
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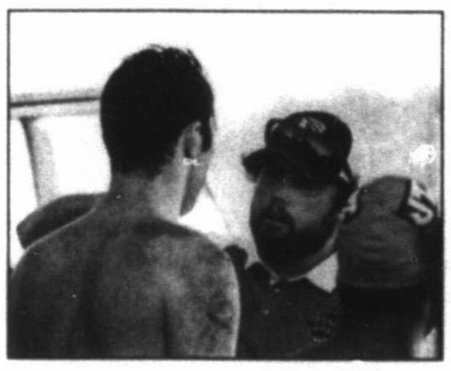
UTPB Falcons are contenders for NCAA Nationals

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As #24 UT Permian Basin men's swimming reaches its winter training session in preparation for getting ready for conference championships in February, the Falcons can look back on a number of things they've already accomplished this season.

Freshman Garrett Martin qualified for NCAA Nationals in his first competition in the 1m, and has since qualified in the 3m to reach the NCAA's. UTPB has a top-20 national time in the 200 medley relay of Gustavo Damis Resende, Jakub Murici, Nikita Naumov and Jeremy Pantalion that set a new school record in the first half of the year, and Matt Hayward is fractions of a second off from re-setting three different records he set last season.

"For us to have as many top 10 times this early in the season has never happened," said UTPB head coach Cameron Kainer. "We've never had a relay record broken midseason on the men's side, and this puts us in contention to make nationals."



Above: *Coach Kainer instructs a swimmer in the moments before competition*

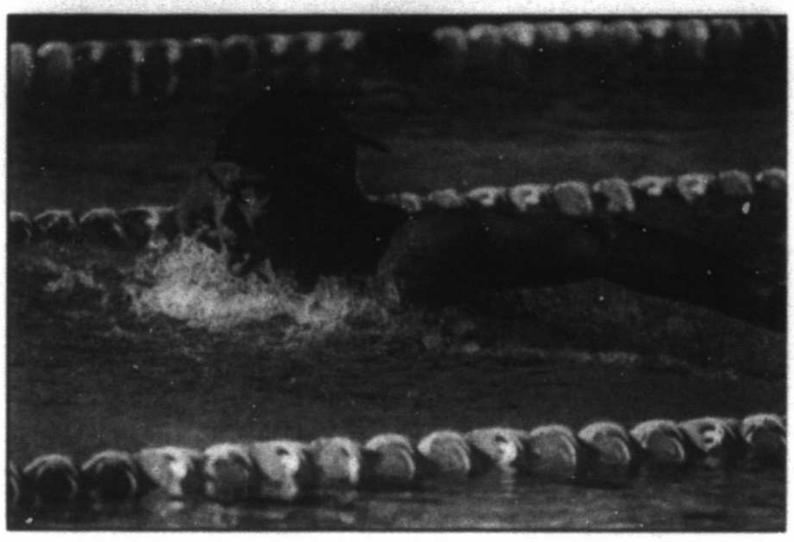
Part of the reason this may have been unexpected is a lot of the contributions are coming from underclassmen. Freshmen and sophomores make up 18 of the 23 members of the men's squad, including three of four of the 200 medley relay members.

"We're a young team based around freshmen and sophomores with only a few upperclassmen, but have had really good upperclassmen leadership," Kainer noted. "I'm pleased with where we are at this point in the year. We're going into meets where we were training really hard beforehand and we've had some best times. We pushed through all the hard work to finally have some success."

Kainer also takes pride in the additions to the coaching staff this season. Jennifer Mangum brings years of success both as a diving coach and competitor, and Matt England is in his first year bringing a research perspective to the team.

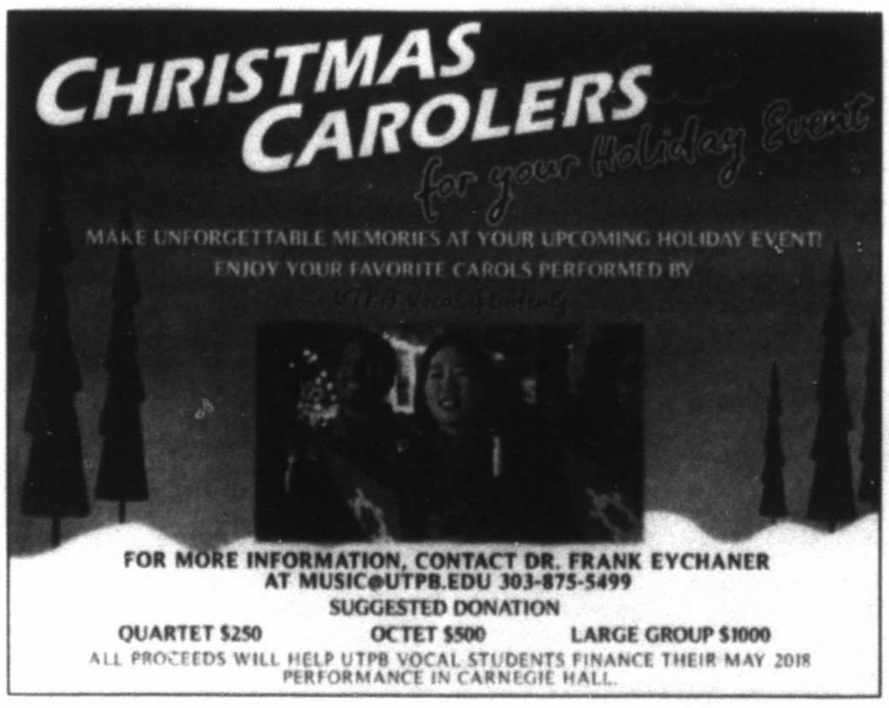
"The coaching we've had from both Jennifer and Matt, giving a lot of hard work in the pool to help our athletes be successful has been tremendous. The coaching staff has done an outstanding job of taking control of what we've wanted to do as a team and making our ideas part of our success."

The Falcons return to action at the Austin College Invitational in Sherman TX on January 6, 2018 and are gearing up for the New South Intercollegiate Swim Conference Championships hosted by Delta State in Cleveland, MS in February.



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Cameron Kainer
Head Coach, UTPB Swimming





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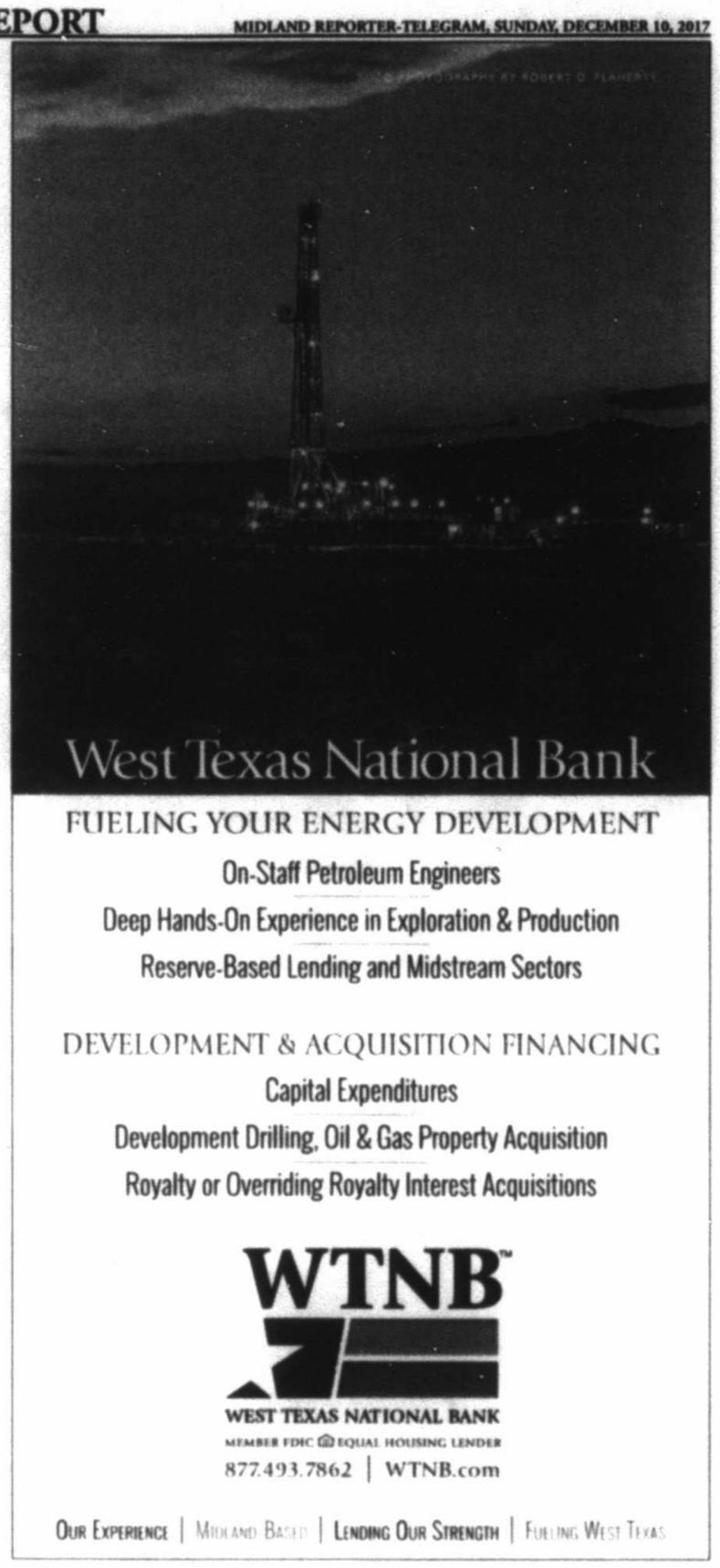
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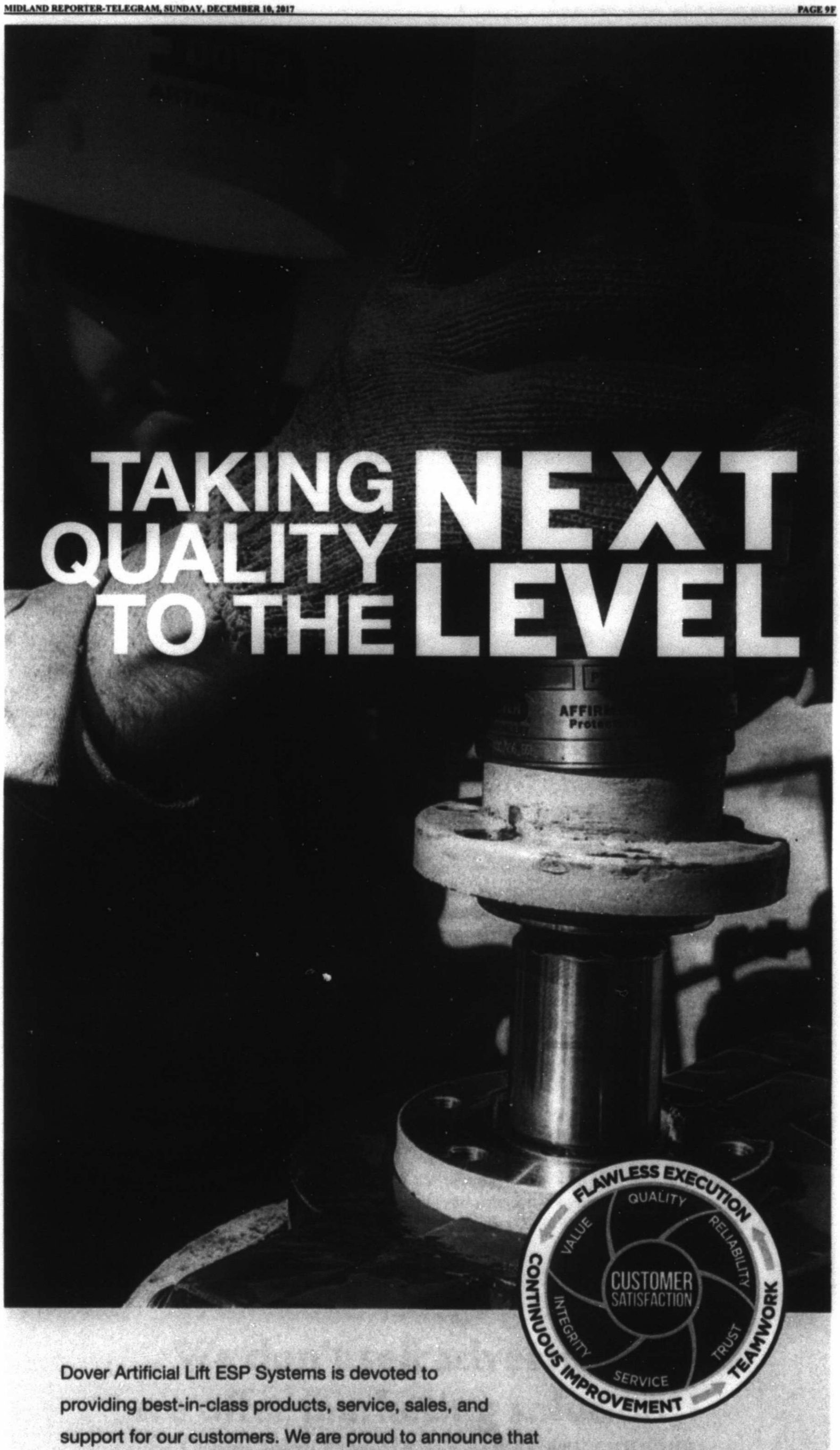
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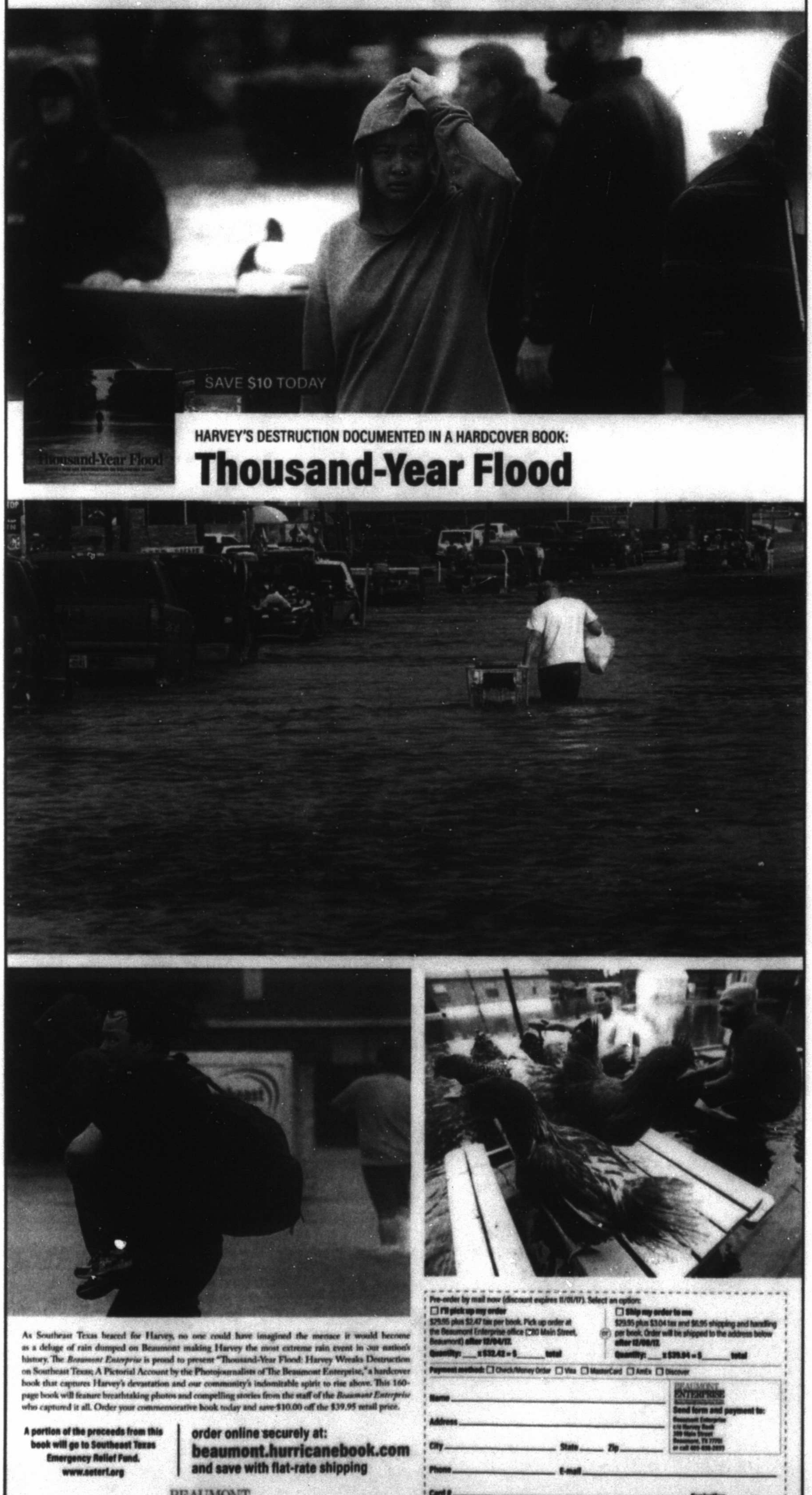
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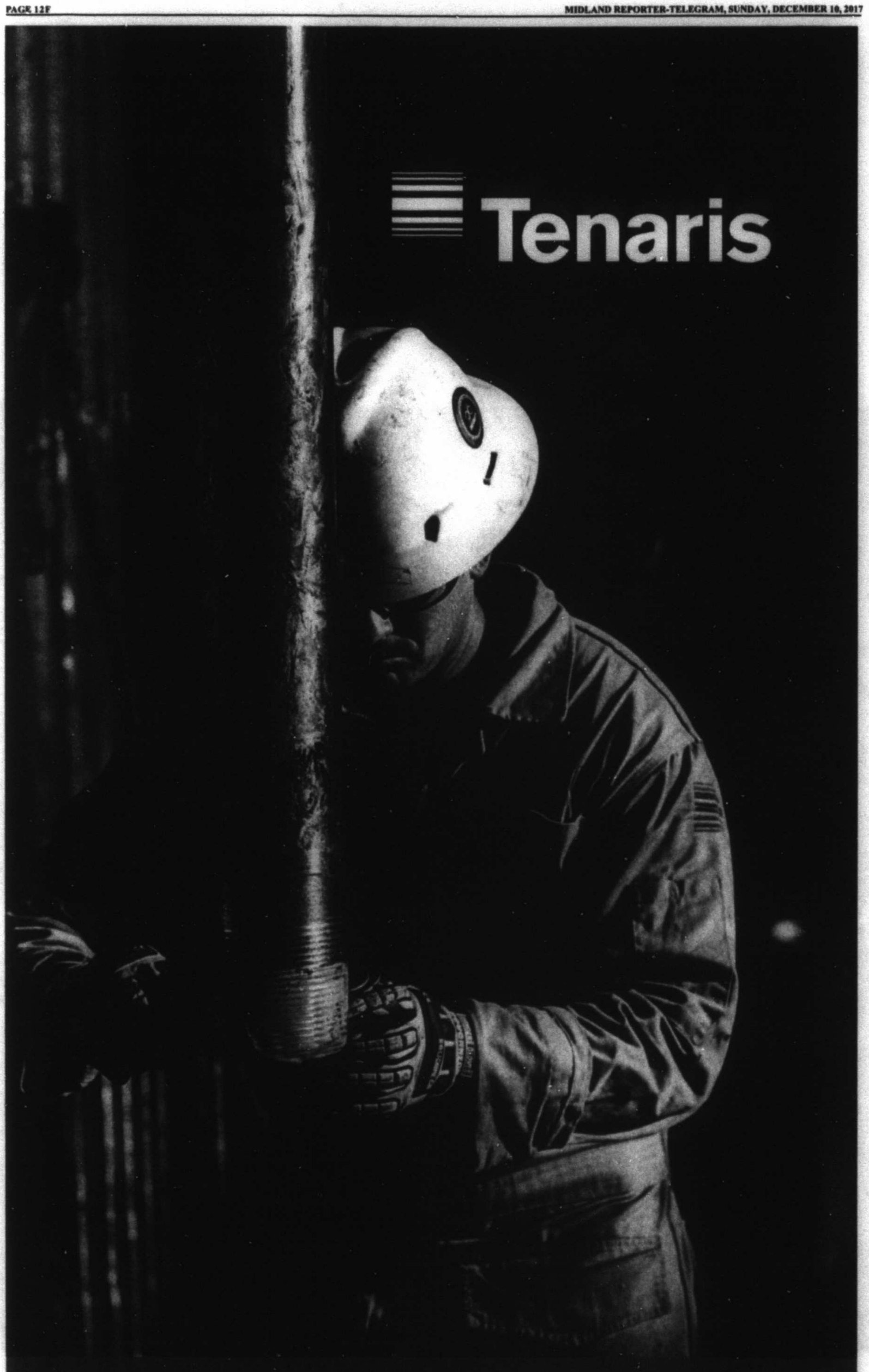
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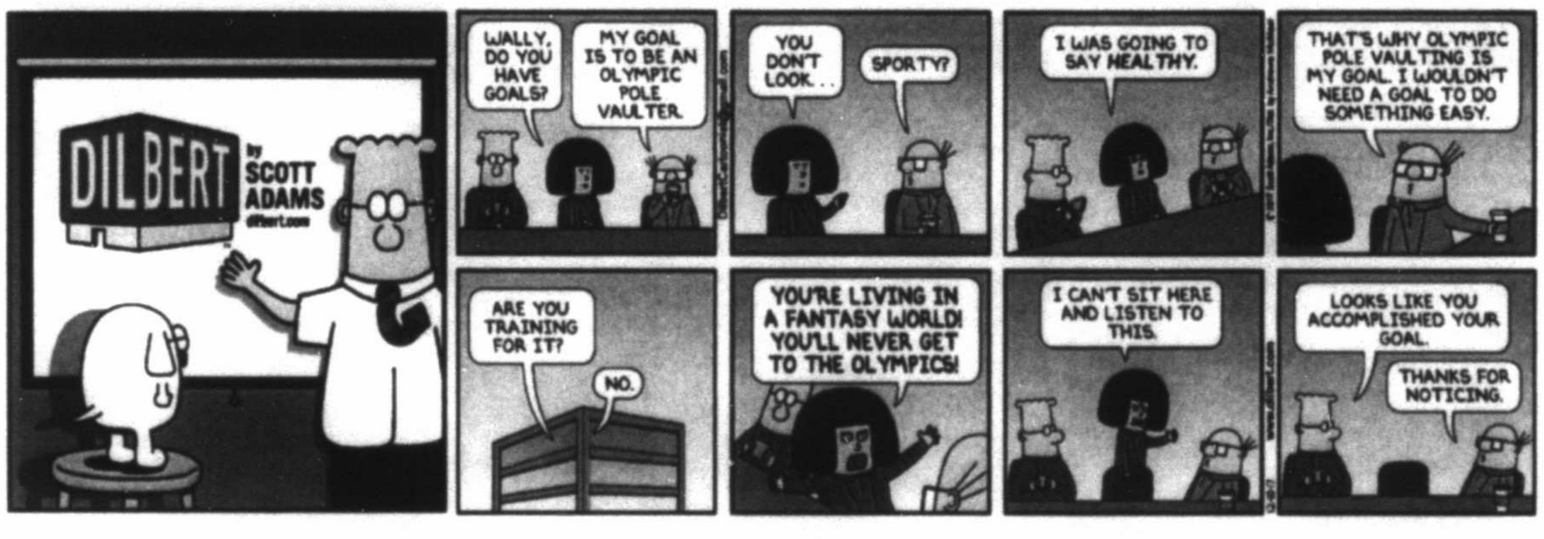
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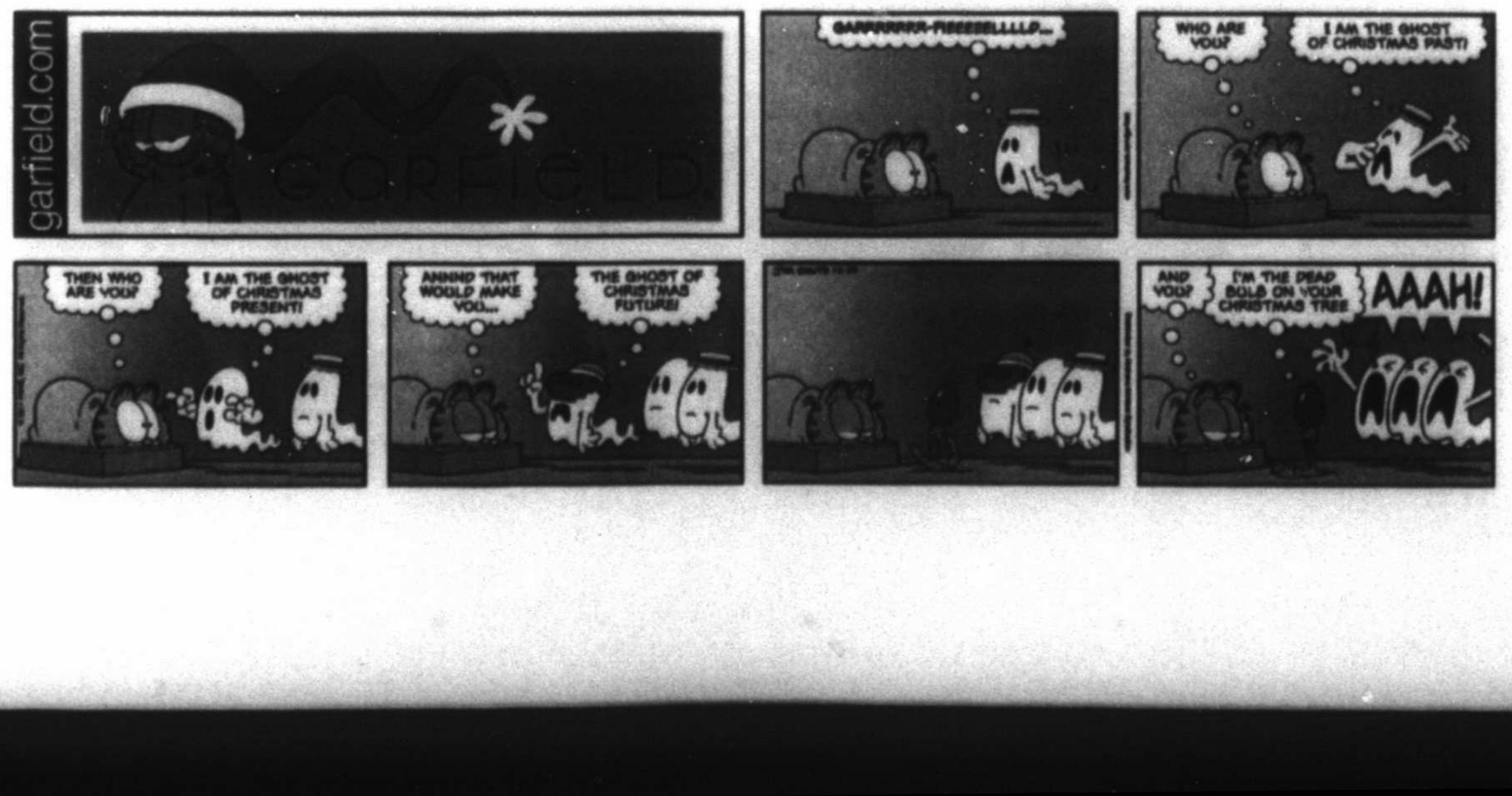
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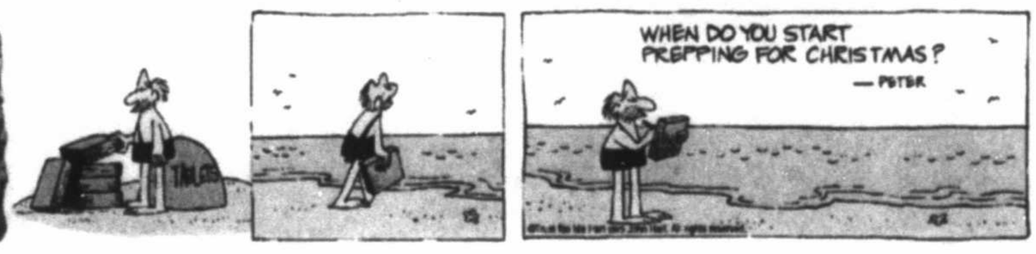
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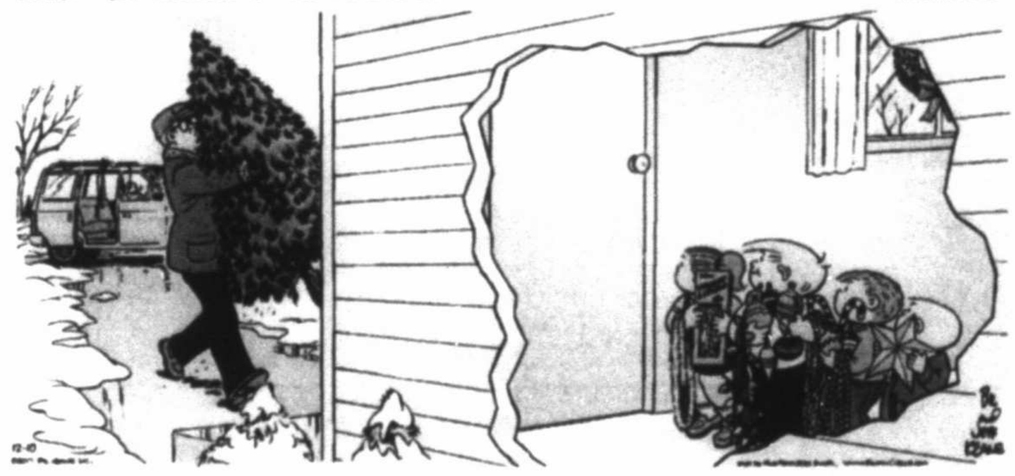


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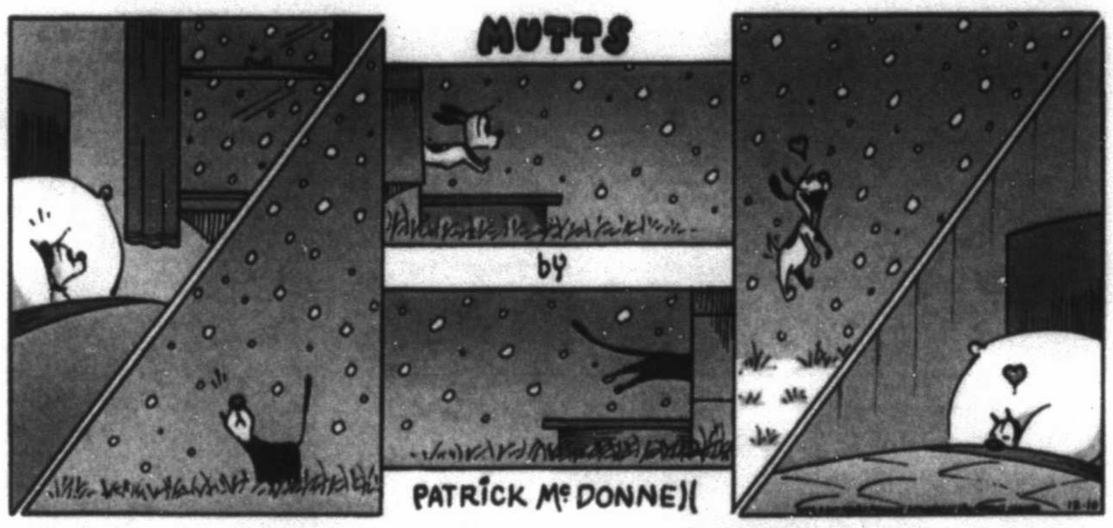


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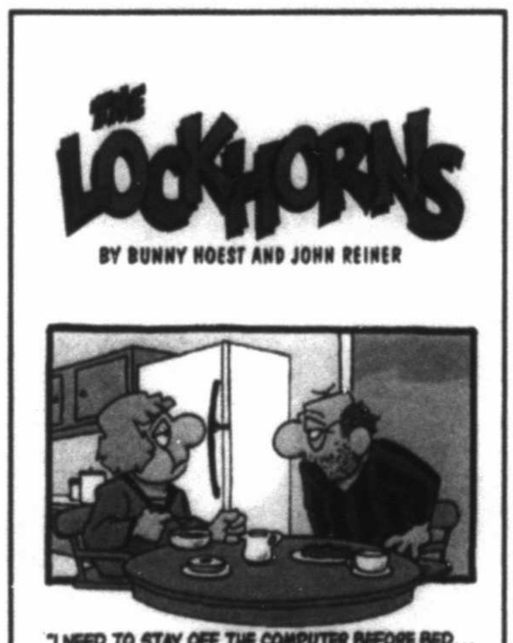


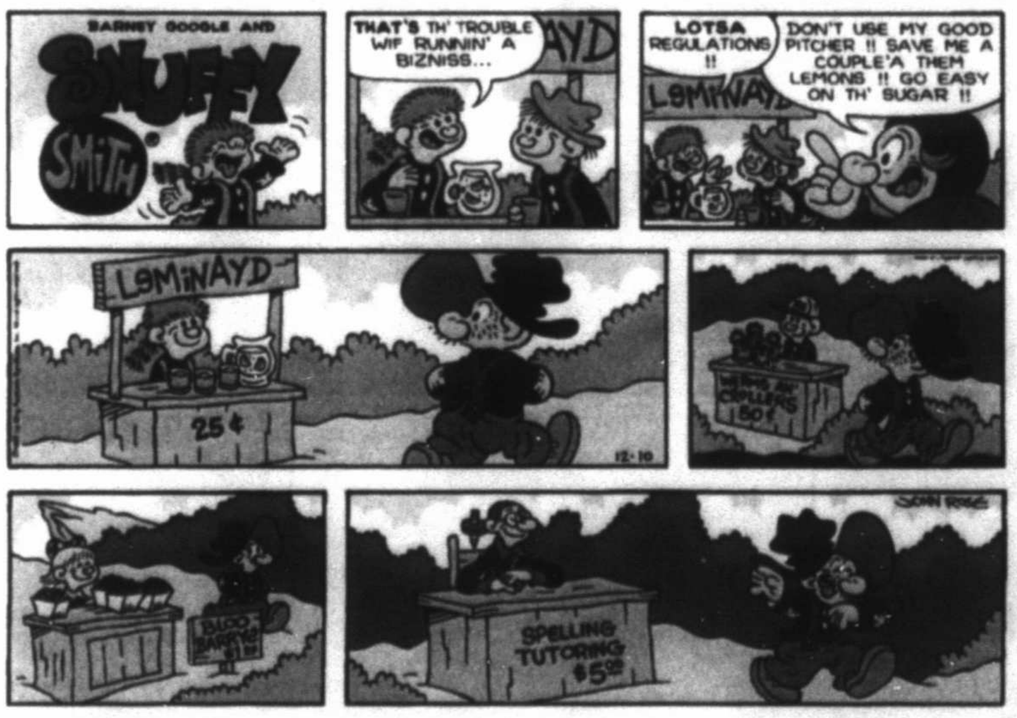

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OH, GREAT. NOW I'LL HAVE TO MAKE SMALL TALK THE ENTIRE HOLIDAY SEASON.


WELL, WE DID IT...
I'M GLAD WE WENT WITH THE SMALLER TREE. SEEMS RIGHT FOR THE QUIETER HOLIDAY WE NEED THIS YEAR.
I REALLY THOUGHT A SMALL TREE THIS YEAR WOULD MEAN HAVING TO MAKE SOME TOUGH CHOICES IN REGARDS TO ORNAMENTS, BUT WE GOT THEM ALL UP...
SURE, NO ONE CAN TELL IF THERE'S ACTUALLY A TREE UNDER THERE, BUT I STILL THINK IT SAYS "FAMILY CHRISTMAS."
HEY, DO YOU KNOW... OH...
DAD! WE WANTED :) SURPRISE YOU!
YOU DON'T THINK IT'S TOO SMALL, DO YOU?
NO, NO. IT'S BEAUTIFUL.
IT'S ABSOLUTELY... BEAUTIFUL...
BUT WOW, THERE SURE ARE A LOT OF SCUFF MARKS ON THE CEILING MADE BY THE TOO-TALL TREES FROM YEARS PAST.
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FoxTrot
by Bill Amend
WHATCHA WORKING ON?
MY LUKE SKYWALKER COSTUME. "THE LAST JEDI" OPENS THIS WEEK.
I MADE THIS FAKE HAIR...
AND THIS FAKE BEARD...
AND THIS FAKE ROBOTIC HAND...
AND THIS LIGHTSABER...
SHOULD I BE CONCERNED THAT YOU DIDN'T SAY "FAKE LIGHTSABER"?
YOU KNOW THOSE LITTLE WATCH BATTERIES? DO WE HAVE LIKE 30 OF THEM?


THE LOCKHORNS
BY BUNNY HOEST AND JOHN REINER
"I NEED TO STAY OFF THE COMPUTER BEFORE BED... NOW MY DREAMS HAVE POP-UP ADS."
"I PUT MY LEFT BLINKER ON, HE TURNED ON HIS RIGHT. AND, WELL, WE GOT OUR SIGNALS CROSSED..."
"THAT REMINDS ME... HOW'S YOUR BROTHER?"
"SAY SOMETHING NICE ABOUT LEROY?... HE MARRIED WELL."


BARNEY GOOGLE AND SNUFFY SMITH
THAT'S TH' TROUBLE WIF RUNNIN' A BIZNISS...
LOTSA REGULATIONS !!
DON'T USE MY GOOD PITCHER !! SAVE ME A COUPLE'A THEM LEMONS !! GO EASY ON TH' SUGAR !!
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WIZARD OF ID
by Hart, Mastroianni and Parker
WANNA GO TO THE GYM WITH ME?
DO I HAVE TO WEAR SPANDEX?
100, 101, 102...
26, 27, 28...
GREAT WORKOUT TODAY
POOF
WHAT HAPPENED?
YOU PASSED OUT ON YOUR SECOND PUSHUP

SLYLOCK FOX and COMICS FOR KIDS

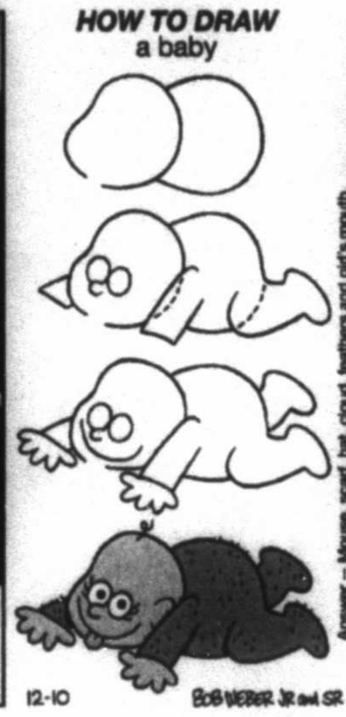
BY BOB WEBER JR.



Count Weirdly stole a top-secret computer from the Forest Science Center. The password to activate the supercomputer is a word found by unscrambling these letters: MCIOC. Fortunately, Count Weirdly had not figured out the password before Slylock Fox arrived. Can you?

Solution — The password is "COMIC".

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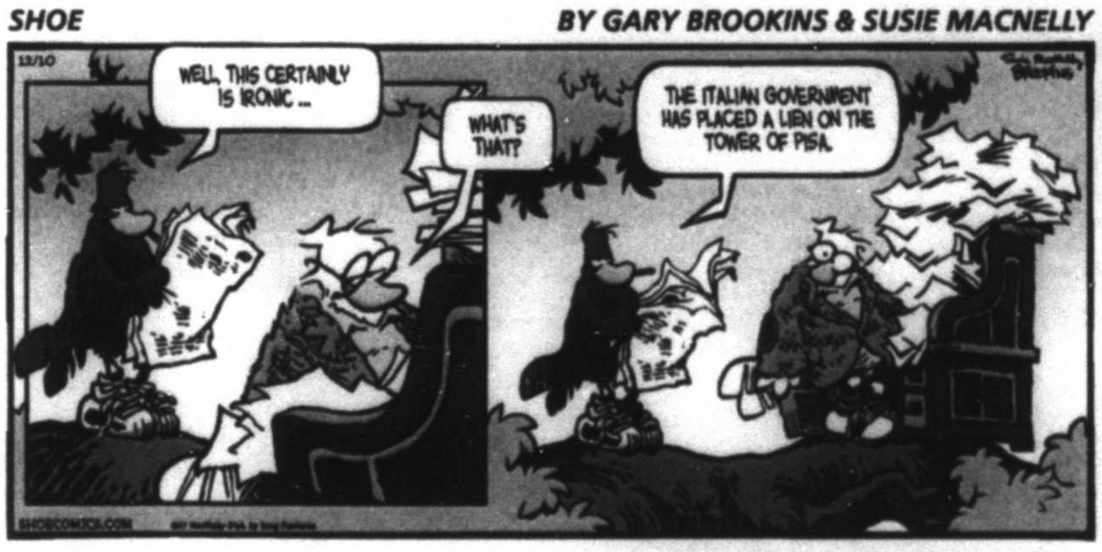




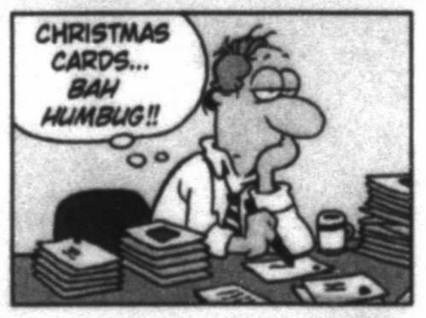
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