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Man wants to rally support for mall boycott

Peaceful demonstration will protest decision to put signs up banning weapons

By Cale Ottens
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Amid the recent addition of signs that ban weapons at the Midland Park Mall, residents are sending handfuls of outcries protesting the change.

One Midland man is now organizing an event to challenge the signs at the shopping center near Loop 250 and Midkiff Road.

Mark LaCroix has lived in Midland for about 15 years and feels that he, as a licensed gun holder, should be able to carry his arms to protect his family wherever they go.

As a response to the ban, he is hoping to rally as many people as possible to share fliers or business cards with the establishments at the mall to let them know they won't be spending money there anymore.



Mark LaCroix: Midland High School history teacher as lived in Midland for about 15 years and feels that he, as a licensed gun holder, should be able to carry his arms to protect his family wherever they go. He is now organizing an event to challenge the signs at Midland Park Mall banning guns inside the facility.

"I do fully respect their right to post it," LaCroix said. "I just want them to understand there are a lot of people like me who will simply no longer frequent the mall."

The peaceful protest is still in its early stages, but LaCroix, a history teacher at Midland High School, said he hopes to get as many people as possible to make Midland Park Mall officials realize that there will be an economic impact because of the ban.

But, as previously reported, the Midland Park Mall Manager Kevin Church said the weapon ban is not a new policy.

Church could not be reached for an interview, but he did release a written statement to explain why Simon Malls, Midland Park Mall owner, chooses to prohibit weapons.

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THE RUBIO DYNASTY



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

The five finalists in the Midland Reporter Telegram's 27th annual regional spelling bee Saturday at Midland College's Allison Fine Arts Building. From left, Danica Pena, of the Carver Center; Jalen Packer, of Bonham Elementary; Nikkie Galindo, of Trinity School; Gloria Koo, of Abell Juinor High; and Gabrielle Rubio, of Alamo Junior High.

Gabby Rubio wins family's 5th regional bee

By Tessa Duvall
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It's been a long haul in spelling bees for the Rubio family.

When Gabby Rubio, an eighth-grader at Alamo Junior High, spelled "fantoccini" to win the 27th annual Midland Reporter-Telegram Regional Spelling Bee on Saturday, it was her second consecutive victory.

It also marked her family's fourth consecutive and fifth overall wins at the regional level. Gabby's older brother, Thomas, won in 2011 and 2012. Older sister, Danielle, won in 2006.

Abner Rubio, the siblings' father, said Gabby's win was a great way to end the family spelling bee career. Eighth grade is the last year students can compete in the bees.

The Rubio family has been involved in spelling bees for a decade — Danielle began competing in school bees as a fourth-grader in 2004.

"I guess it's just kind of a shocking thing," Abner said of their continued success.

Gabby said she was a little nervous going into a tough competition as the defending champ.

"I'm speechless," she said after the bee, holding her first-place trophy.

Thomas said he was more anxious watching his sister than he ever was while competing.

"I don't even know how I'd do if I was on the stage because of the competition," he said.

For winning the regional bee, Gabby won an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C., for the Scripps National Spelling Bee, which is May 28-29. She also received Merriam-Webster's Third New International Dictionary, a 2014 U.S.

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OPD: Man dies in head-on collision

■ Death marks 9th fatality this year on Midland County roads

From staff reports

A 31-year-old man died early Saturday after a head-on collision on the Interstate 20 service road in Midland County, according to the Odessa Police Department.

Thomas Thomas was driving a car eastbound in the westbound lanes of the north I-20 service road — driving on the wrong side of the road — when he hit a tractor-trailer that was westbound on the road, said Steve LeSueur, OPD public information officer.

Thomas is the ninth person to die on Midland County roads this year, according to Reporter-Telegram records.

He died at Medical Center Hospital. The crash occurred at about 4 a.m. Saturday in the 7900 block of East I-20, in Odessa city limits.

LeSueur said charges are not being filed in the ongoing investigation.

The cities of residence for the men are currently unknown.

This is the third fatal crash this year on Midland County's stretch of I-20, according to previous reports.

The most recent fatality occurred Feb. 23 when a Midland woman died in a one-vehicle rollover on Loop 250.

A man from Roma died Jan. 17 after he was ejected from his vehicle during a rollover near the Midland County Line.

The first death on I-20 occurred on Jan. 9 when a 65-year-old man from Greensboro, N.C., was ejected from his vehicle in a two-vehicle crash.



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FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Isaac Badilla, 24, of Midland, was charged Friday with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon on a date, family or household member.

Jasmin L. Barrientos, 18, of Midland, was charged Friday with violation of probation.

Jesus J. Borunda-Tarango, 40, of Midland, was charged Friday with theft between $1,500 and $20,000.

Kelley A. Brazell, 50, of Midland, was charged Friday with violation of parole.

Regina L. Cobb, 57, of Midland, was charged Friday with tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.

Carmelita M. Coronado, 26, of Midland, was charged Friday with unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Luis A. Fernandez, 23, of Midland, was charged Friday with manufacturing or delivering a controlled substance in a drug-free zone.

Alonzo Franco, 23, of Midland, was charged Friday with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Steven R. Gomez, 27, of Midland, was charged Friday with theft.

Sharon Grogan, 47, (no residence listed), was charged Friday with driving while intoxicated with an open alcohol container three or more times.

Michelle R. Johnson, 23, of Midland, was charged Friday with fraudulent use or possession of identification information.

Shantay A. Logan, 31, of Odessa, was charged Friday with tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.

Heather E. Looney, 29, (no residence listed), was charged Friday with forgery of a financial instrument.

Julian Oviedo Jr., 19, of Midland, was charged Friday with racing on a highway causing serious bodily injury.

Jesus Reyes, 50, of Midland, was charged Friday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.

Michael P. Rios, 29, of Midland, was charged Friday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.

William Roth, 62, of Midland, was charged Friday with violation of parole.

Gregory A. White Jr., 28, of Midland, was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance between 1 and 4 grams.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Texas man, 74, dies from flesh-eating bacteria

Associated Press

HOUSTON — A 74-year-old man has died from a flesh-eating bacteria five days after going fishing on a Texas lake.

KHOU-TV reported Travis Lee Moore died Friday, five days after a fishing trip with four of his brothers on Lake Conroe, a reservoir about 50 miles north of Houston.

Moore's brother, Robert Moore, said he apparently contracted the infection from a small scrape on his finger.

Crime of the week

Midland Crime Stoppers and the Midland Police Department need help identifying the suspects of a burglary and credit card abuse.

The victim discovered on Jan. 21 that his vehicle had been burglarized while parked in his garage. The suspect stole a wallet that contained credit cards, a blue Samsung Galaxy S4 cellphone and a black iPod.

The suspect used the man's credit cards twice at Wal-Mart to purchase clothing and once at Kent Kwik to purchase sandwiches and a drink.

The suspect is a white male who was wearing a dark blue pullover hoodie, a dark cap with a white trim brim, blue jeans and brown sneakers. He had his hoodie pulled over his cap.

Photos of suspect can be viewed at www.midland-crimestoppers.com

If you have any information on this suspect and it leads to an arrest, it will be worth a $1,000 cash reward. No caller ID is ever used and you will remain anonymous.

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Obituaries



John Connor Drissel

John Connor Drissel, 75, from Midland, Texas, died February 23, 2014.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara Drissel; children, Catherine Bertram (Chris) and Charlie Drissel (Heather); grandchildren, Paul Bertram and Anne Bertram; his sisters, Dorothy Beauregard (Ray), Anne Drissel, and Marie Drissel (Curtis); and brothers, Bill (Nita) Drissel and Roger Drissel.

John was born in Washington, DC to Winfield L. Drissel and Ruth Connor and attended the University of Maryland graduating with degrees in Civil and Agricultural Engineering and with a Masters of Science in Agricultural Engineering. John was a licensed Professional Engineer and practiced in New Mexico, Arizona and Texas. John was an engineer by profession and could design, troubleshoot and build just about anything from large industrial water treatment plants to an iguana cage, cat perch or greenhouse.

However, John was also an artist at heart, talented at jewelry making, painting, sculpting and pottery. He was a true modern day renaissance man. At an age when most people are, and remain, set in their ways, he continued to learn, explore and find new interests.

John was an avid shooter from a young age and was an active member of the Midland Shooters Association. He was an accomplished shooter, excelling in many shooting disciplines and enjoyed shooting and discussing reloading with his son Charlie and grandson Paul. His friends and fellow shooters at the Midland Shooters Association were an important part of his active life. Although he won many a shooting match in his time, he was humble and would not hesitate to loan equipment or help teach and encourage a new shooter with his 60+ years of experience.

John loved dogs and cats, and rescued numerous abandoned and abused dogs and cats with his wife Barbara, providing them with a loving home. He was a fierce defender of humane treatment of animals and an active volunteer of the Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals. He enjoyed many hours in his favorite chair with his cat Reba in his lap.

John looked forward to his "brother vacations" where he and his two brothers, Bill and Roger would meet at a location in the U.S. to explore a topic or investigate their roots that trace back to the Drissel Mill, built in the 1700's, in Bucks County Pennsylvania. He always had time to help his family or friends with anything from recalling family folklore to assessing foundation damage at a house.

John is remembered as an engineer, bicyclist, shooter, camper, handyman, orchid grower, dog lover, cat lover, husband, father and a friend. John had an answer for most things, and he lived by what he believed in, no matter what.

We will never think of John as "old" because he didn't think that way. We will think of John standing beside his wife Barbara, his pets, family and friends. Companions such as John are so rare and unique. He would ask that we not grieve for his loss but celebrate in the fact that we lived, loved and touched each other's lives. Our lives were fuller because he was there.

Life is ever changing and the loss of John to this life merely reminds us that life in its many forms is ongoing. John will live on forever in his contributions to this world and in our hearts and our memories.

The service will be held on Tuesday March 4, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. at Solid Rock Fellowship, 4601 Interstate 20 Midland, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in John's memory to the Lone Star Sanctuary for Animals 4200 N. Fairgrounds Road Midland, Texas (432) 683-7387.

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

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Mrs. Dual Rhoads Stewart (Dudy)

Mrs. Dual Rhoads Stewart (Dudy), passed away February 25, 2014 in Newton, Texas where she had been living for a year after leaving Midland, her home for more than 50 years. She was born in Mounds, Oklahoma May 25, 1920.

She is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Arthur Frank Stewart (Skeet), brothers, Connie Rhodes and Thearon Rhoads, and sister Billy Eatherly List.

She is survived by her daughter, Patty Lynn Stewart of Augusta, Georgia; granddaughter, Shellie Hines and husband Nathan of Newton, Texas; grandson, Paul Burks and wife Barbie of Augusta, Georgia; and brother, L.C. Rhoads of Lecompton, Kansas.

Also surviving are great grandchildren Sara Hardage, Daniel Hardage and Ryan Burks.

The family extends their thanks to the staff at Shady Acres Health and Rehabilitation Center in Newton for their care over the last year and to the Salgado family in Midland for their love and care for Dudy over many years.

At Dudy's request, services will be private.

In lieu of flowers, the family request donations to be offered in Mrs. Dual Rhoads Stewart (Dudy) name to the American Heart Association. Online condolences may be offered at *www.ellisfunerals.com*.

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Patricia L. (Smith) Gilliar

Patricia L. (Smith) Gilliar, 74, died Wednesday, February 19, 2014 in Midland. Memorial services will be 11:00 a.m. Thursday, March 6, at Starbuck Funeral Home Chapel in Merkel, Texas with Reverend Monte W. Kreis officiating. Visitation will be from 10:00 a.m. until service time at the funeral home.

Pat was born August 4, 1939 in Loraine, Texas to Raymond Lee and Virginia Lois (Graham) Smith and was raised by her grandmother Ruby (Keith) Graham. They lived in Merkel until 1948 then moved to Stanton, where she graduated in 1957.

She wed Frank J. Gilliar in 1959 and moved to his hometown of Great Neck, New York where they raised two daughters. Pat was active in the PTA and Women's Club. She was an Executive Administrator for Citibank in New York, New York for over two decades. A few years after retiring, she moved back to Texas, settling in Midland in 2007.

Pat loved hosting her Texas family on their visits to New York, touring them around, shopping, and seeing Broadway plays.

She was a regular for dancing at Roseland Ballroom in New York, enjoyed Jazz music, and travel. Pat was the "life of the party" anywhere she went. A perfect breakfast was chocolate cake and a Dr. Pepper. And she just loved to drive. As young as nine, she would volunteer to run any errand because it meant taking the car.

Survivors include two daughters, Lisa Sue (Gilliar) Mage of Cypress, Texas and Lori Patricia (Gilliar) Harrington of San Jose, California; two half-brothers, Rupert Wilson Martin of Dallas, Texas and John Thomas Martin of Washington; her uncle, Jimmy Stallings; grandchildren, Gena and Sean Mage; cousins, Stephen and Twila Stallings, Susan (Stallings) Brown, and Kelly and Keith Graham.

She was preceded in death by her beloved aunt Louise, uncle June and aunt Frances Graham, cousin Clay Graham, two half-brothers Andy and Larry Martin, and a granddaughter, Ruby Catherine Gilliar.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting that a donation be made "In Memory of Pat Gilliar" for the staff at Legacy Ranch, 4800 Briarwood Ave, Midland Texas, 79707.

You may view and sign the online guestbook at *www.starbuckfuneralhome.com*.



Paul Valles Galan

Paul Valles Galan, 72, of Midland passed away on Thursday, February 27, 2014 at his home. A rosary will be held from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Monday, March 3, 2014 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish and Shrine with Father David Herrera officiating.

Paul was born on June 26, 1941 in Midland, Texas to Luis Galan, Sr. and Hilaria (LaLa) Valles Galan. He worked as a welder in Midland for many years, but his true passion was on the golf course. When he wasn't golfing, Paul was often fishing or spending his down time with his family.

He will be jokingly remembered for his strong and opinionated personality by those that knew him. He was a loving, caring man with a beautiful soul that touched many lives. He will be greatly missed by his family and his friends.

Paul is survived by four sons, Paul Galan, Jr., Johnny Joe Galan, David Galan all of Houston, Texas, and Ramon Galan of Midland, Texas; one daughter, Linda Galan-Rosales of Midland, Texas; six brothers, Luis Galan, Chon Galan, Joe Galan, Mack Galan, Liberato Galan, and Cleofas Galan all of Midland, Texas; and three sisters, Angelina Veloz, Felis Guerrero, and Mary Martinez all of Midland, Texas.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Luis and Hilaria (LaLa) Galan, and two brothers, Felipe and Ricardo Galan.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Online condolences may be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

Death Notices

Humberto Casas

Humberto Casas, 69, passed away on Tuesday, February 25, 2014.

He is survived by his companion, Josie Ortega; daughter, Maria Barajas Castillo; and by other family members.

Viewing will be Sunday, March 2, from 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. A Rosary will be held Sunday, March 2, at 7:00 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Chapel.

Funeral mass will take place on Monday, March 3, at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.

James Vernon "Jim" Smith, Jr.

James Vernon "Jim" Smith, Jr. age 49, of Weatherford, TX, died Tuesday, February 25, 2014 in Weatherford. Jim was born in San Angelo, TX on May 31, 1964.

He is survived by his mother: Barbara Smith; brother: Vershel Alan Smith; and sisters: Diana Workman, Bonnie Janette "Jan" McCleery and Wanda Wynona "Noni" Castro.

Funeral services will be 2:00 pm Monday, March 3, 2014 at Acres West Funeral Chapel, 8115 W. University Blvd. Odessa, Tx. Interment will follow at Peaceful Garden Section of Ector County Cemetery.

Loyd Howard Hammon

Loyd Howard Hammon, 88, passed away on Thursday, February 27, 2014.

He is survived by his loving wife, Mary; his daughters, Carolyn Johnson and Glorya Garcia; his son, Sammy Hammon; grandchildren and great grandchildren; and by other family members.

Funeral services will be at 10:00 a.m. Monday, March 3, 2014, at Myers & Smith Chapel.

Patsy Donnell

Patsy Marie Donnell, 74, went to be with her heavenly Father on February 25, 2014.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 2, 2014 at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel.

A committal service will be held on a later date at the Houston National Cemetery in Houston, Texas.

All Obituaries must be submitted by 3:30 P.M. prior to next publication day.

Crime Stoppers fugitive

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6-foot chocolate cowboy displayed in Houston hotel

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Staring stoically at visitors to Houston is a 6-foot cowboy standing in the lobby of a local Hilton who rode into town in time for the annual rodeo.

But this 250-pound cowboy is part of a 750-pound, hand-sculpted chocolate Western scene the Hilton Americas will unveil Monday. This is the second year the hotel is using chocolate to honor the annual rodeo.

The Houston Chronicle reported the scene was created by the hotel's pastry chef Mahesh Weerasinghe. In addition to the lasso-bearing, swashbuckling cowboy, the scene includes a chocolate cowgirl, calf, wagon wheel, guitar and cactus.

Together, the scene rings in at more than 1.8 million calories.

The pastry chef has previously created chocolate Christmas scenes and a smaller rodeo display.

Call me crazy, but March is by far the worst month of the year



TERRY WILLIAMSON
Real life columnist

March is supposed to have a lot going for it, but in all my spiritual wisdom, I have concluded that March is by far the worst month of the year.

I know a lot of you out there are thinking I'm crazy. You are so tired of winter that even a lousy month like March is worth embracing. But I guarantee you will change your mind before the month is over.

Yeah, I know that March is the "new life" month — the beginning of spring and the end of the nasty days of winter.

But if you have lived in West Texas long enough, you know that March means dirt (huge amounts of dirt) blowing in the air. If it rains in March, it rains mud balls.

It also means wind. We all know the energy geeks at windmill farms love the wind, but it's a plain nuisance to the average Joe who can't find adequate hair gel to keep his hair glued to his head. I have a hard time just standing up straight. March is for people who live up north. That's where snow melts, and you can see the sky without all the dirt. For West Texans, March is just a pain in the neck.

Flowers do start to bloom, trees come to life, and the grass starts to turn green. A lot of you consider this a positive. I only see that the trees need trimming, and the flower beds have to be tended. And it seems like yesterday that we were mowing grass. It's enough to wish that winter was back in full force. Let's face it; there is a lot less work to do in the winter.

Also, there is no real football or baseball in March. Oh, I know, we have March Madness, but the only fun I get out of March Madness is filling out the bracket. Otherwise, it's pretty much a bunch of good teams playing a bunch of Cinderellas.

Oh, I'm just getting started. March gets much worse than wind, blowing dirt and no football or baseball. It's also income tax season for the average American. How can it possibly get worse than that?

Many people do their income tax returns in March, or we have them done by an expert. Income taxes upset me greatly. We pay the government 12 months out of the year, and then we have to fill out income tax forms so the government can show you why you didn't pay enough.

So, after you fill out your tax forms, you pay the government more in another year, where you are already paying the government monthly. Quite frankly, that sounds like double jeopardy to me.

Now, I've always thought that Americans were smart people, but I'm losing my will power to say that anymore in public. In fact, we could be a bit on the stupid side.

I just don't understand how smart people could have been talked into having an income tax system like we have. Let's say in the beginning that government comes to your house and tells you they would like to set up a system that requires you a month of your life to gather and report your tax situation.

I bet you would throw them out of your house. Yet, that's where we are. There is nothing more intrusive in your life than the income tax return. How did we ever get here?

It makes you wonder if we took a wrong path on that taxation without representation stance against Britain. We're not doing so well with taxation with American representation.

Anyway, I must end this annual tirade and get back to the tax forms.

That is if I can ever figure out what a 1048BCS1320 form is.

I'll never finish this annoying task, so that also means March will never end. We are caught in a dreadful misery loop that leaves me owing money to the government while my sinuses are clogged with a wild assortment of dirty pollen. And it's only March 2. Aren't we lucky?

Thought for the Week: "March is a tomboy with tousled hair, a mischievous smile, mud on her shoes and a laugh in her voice." — Journalist Hal Borland

Conservative Texas group keeps donors secret

Associated Press



Sullivan

AUSTIN — A conservative Texas political group is waging an intense legal battle to try to keep the names of its donors secret by taking the Texas Ethics Commission to federal court.

The Texas Ethics Commission has demanded that Empower Texans, an influential conservative group, register as a lobbyist and follow rules that apply to those entities, the Austin American-Statesman reported Saturday. But the group refused, and the commission issued subpoenas last month demanding Empower Texans release a private list of donors, as well as emails and other communication regarding the group's support and opposition to candidates and political positions.

Joe Nixon and Trey Trainor, attorneys representing the group's leader, Michael Quinn Sullivan, said the commission's subpoena violates the First Amendment, which guarantees citizens the right to participate in politics and to do so privately through organizations.

Nixon compared Empower Texans' situation to a 1956 U.S. Supreme Court case in which the judges ruled the NAACP did not have to provide the state of Alabama its membership roster. The court ruled the list was protected under the First Amendment.

"These subpoenas do the exact same thing," Nixon said. "Disclosure is good, but not to the point where it prohibits free speech."

Sullivan's lawyers refer to him as a journalist in court filings, citing his weekly newsletter, blog postings and social media communications.

But those fighting Empower Texans said the group should register as a lobbyist because its body of work is used to influence legislation and politicians.

Lawyer and lobbyist Steve Bresnen had been leading the effort against Empower Texans.

"We should all be playing by the same rules," Bresnen said.

He was ready to lodge an official complaint with the state ethics commission, when two Republican lawmakers, Rep. Jim Keffer and Rep. Vicki Truitt, beat him to it.

According to campaign finance reports, Sullivan's group and another organization he runs — Texans for Fiscal Responsibility — have financially supported candidates running against Keffer and Texas House Speaker Joe Straus, a Republican from San Antonio. Between Jan. 24 and Feb. 22, the two groups and their political action committees spent nearly $1.2 million together.

A hearing on some of the issues will be held March 20 before U.S. District Judge Sam Sparks. Normally, the Texas attorney general represents state agencies in court, but this case could pit Attorney General Greg Abbott against Sullivan, who has been one of his most loyal supporters in his gubernatorial bid.

Texas city, schools still have no signed water deal

Associated Press

LA VILLA — Nearly two months after a dispute over water bills shut down four schools in a small South Texas town, the district and city officials still have not signed a longer-term deal, even though the sides have apparently agreed on a new rate.

While La Villa municipal officials and the district agreed in principle to a new monthly water rate of $10 per student, an agreement has not yet been signed and La Villa's mayor is unhappy. The McAllen Monitor reported Saturday.

"It's going to hurt the city, absolutely," said Mayor Hector Elizondo, who told the newspaper he had been overruled by a majority of aldermen who chose to forgive a $75,000 debt the city believed the school district owed.

The dispute erupted after the sides agreed in 2012 to a monthly surcharge of $6 for the district, but the city unilaterally increased the price to $14. The district continued to pay based on the agreed-upon $6 rate. So over the Christmas break, the city — which had been calculating back payments and interest based on the $14 surcharge — shut off the schools' water supply, forcing the district to close its four schools for three days after children were supposed to return from the break.

Elizondo has said the city needs money to repair 24-year-old water and sewer facilities that have been cited for 65 violations by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, including a failure to maintain equipment to prevent water contamination. The mayor said engineers have estimated it will cost about $7 million to overhaul the system.

The city, though, does not have the money. It has just 450 residential connections and no significant commercial buildings aside from a gas station convenience store. The school district and a detention center are the only two entities that can provide the revenue. The East Hidalgo Detention Center, a private jail, pays $22.50 per inmate per month for water. The city has been turned down for a grant-loan combination from the state.

"If it continues the way it is the whole system is going to collapse, and then there will be no school and no city and no prison," Elizondo said in January.

Elizondo believes the city could be forced to dissolve if it is unable to pay its bills.

But School Board President Noe Castillo disagrees. While he concurs the tax base is low, he said the city shouldn't be forced to dissolve.

Prosecutors: Man expressed no remorse for killing officer

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Prosecutors who secured a death penalty conviction of a 26-year-old man in the slaying of an Austin police office told jurors time and again that the killer expressed no remorse for the shooting.

Travis County jurors were reminded during the capital murder trial and the penalty phase that Brandon Daniel was not sorry for the death of officer Jaime Padron.

Jurors were told he remained a danger to others.

Witnesses to the shooting at an Austin Wal-Mart testified that Daniel at one point said, "I killed a cop," and laughed.

The jury after eight hours of deliberation condemned Daniel to death Friday for the April 2012 killing of Padron.

Austin police Chief Art Acevedo was in court Friday along with a large contingent of law enforcement officers.

The Austin American-Statesman reported the prosecution's portrayal of Daniel as a calculating, remorseless killer was answered by the defense's claim that he's a brilliant computer scientist with a history of depression and suicidal tendencies.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Today is Texas Independence Day

Texas Independence Day celebrates the adoption of the state's independence declaration. It is an annual legal holiday in Texas on March 2. March 2 also marks Texas Flag Day and Sam Houston Day, although these are special observances rather than legal holidays.

Source: timeanddate.com

Celebration today

The Haley Memorial Library and Daughters of the Republic of Texas will host the annual Texas Independence Day observance 1:30 p.m. today at the library. The event includes raising the Texas flag while reciting the Pledge to Texas, reciting "Toast to Texas" and presentation of student essays on Texas history.

For more information, call 682-5785.

This date in Texas history

In 1793, the first president of the Republic of Texas, Sam Houston, was born near Lexington, Va.

In 1836, the Republic of Texas formally declared its independence from Mexico.

In 1861, the state of Texas, having seceded from the Union, was admitted to the Confederacy.

Source: Associated Press

Things to do

Tuesday

Permian Basin String Quartet "Something Borrowed Somethin' Blue," 5:15 p.m. March 4 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. co.midland.tx.us.

Saturday

■ Permian Basin Master Gardeners' Water Wise Seminar, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. March 8 at CEED Building. 362-8205.

■ Star Party at dusk, March 8 at Blakemore Planetarium. museumsw.org.

■ Los Lonely Boys, March 8 at Howard County Fair in Big Spring.

Meetings this week

Planning and Zoning Commission

3:30 p.m. Monday

City Council Chambers, City Hall 300 N. Loraine St.

Community calendar

■ Keep Midland Beautiful's annual appreciation luncheon is 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at the DoubleTree by Hilton. The guest speaker is Mayor Jerry Morales. Among those to be recognized are Lee High ROTC, Midland Christian School's National Honor Society and Eric Siegmund. For more information, call 687-7400.

■ For the ninth consecutive year, IHOP restaurants in the Odessa-Midland will offer guests a free short stack of buttermilk pancakes on Tuesday, National Pancake Day, in an effort to raise $3 million for Shriners Hospitals for Children. Patrons are encouraged to make a donation during the annual promotion, set for 7 a.m.-10 p.m.

■ The organization Reel Thanx's next trip for wounded heroes is set for early March. Riders4Fighters will be greeting the veterans beginning 10 a.m. Friday at the corner of Midland Drive and Tanforan Drive.

■ Harmony Home Children's Advocacy Center, 910 S. Grant Ave. in Odessa, is presenting a free workshop, "Stewards of Children," 9-11 a.m. Friday. The workshop deals with recognizing signs of and preventing child abuse.

The fee is $10 a person, and scholarships are available. To register, call 432-333-5233 or emailexecutivedirector@harmonyhomecac.org. Deadline to register is Tuesday.

Support group today

■ Overeaters Anonymous, 4:30 p.m., B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.

Alcoholics Anonymous — hotline 580-7868.

Narcotics Anonymous — hotline 582-2926.

CDBG meeting

The city of Midland is seeking public input on the use of Community Development Block Grant funds intended to benefit low- and moderate-income individuals. The following meeting is planned:

■ 7 p.m. Tuesday at Casa de Amigos, 1101 E. Garden Lane

For more information, call the Community Development office at 685-7472 or 432-685-7408.

Source: City of Midland

Lottery

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All or Nothing day: 3-5-7-8-13-14-15-16-17-21-22-23
All or Nothing evening: 4-5-7-8-9-10-12-16-17-19-20-24
All or Nothing night: 1-2-6-8-9-12-14-16-20-21-23-24

Today in history

Today is Sunday, March 2, the 61st day of 2014. There are 304 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1944, "Casablanca" won best picture, best director and best screenplay at the Academy Awards ceremony in Los Angeles.

Today's birthday: Former Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev is 83.

BEE

From 1A

Mint Proof Set, $125 cash and a one-year subscription to Encyclopedia Britannica Online.

Runner-up Gloria Koo, an Abell Junior High School seventh-grader, received a Merriam-Webster Collegiate Dictionary, $75 and a trophy. The next three winners, Nikkie Galindo, from Trinity School, third place; Jalen Packer, from Bonham Elementary, fourth place; and, Danica Pena, from Carver Center, fifth place, all received a trophy, a $20 Amazon gift card and $25 in cash.

Gabby said she's excited to return to the national bee, where she hopes to advance further than last year. Gabby made it through the preliminary rounds in 2013, but fell short in qualifying for the semifinals.

Abner said he's proud of his daughter's win and that the family looks forward to returning to the national bee.

"We never get tired of going," he said.



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Gabrielle Rubio, of Alamo Junior High, holds her first-place trophy during the Midland Reporter Telegram's 27th annual Regional Spelling Bee on Saturday at Midland College's Allison Fine Arts Building.

Results from the Reporter-Telegram's 27th Annual Regional Spelling Bee:

1st place — Gabby Rubio, Alamo Junior High

2nd place — Gloria Koo, Abell Junior High

3rd place — Nikkie Galindo, Trinity School

4th place — Jalen Packer, Bonham Elementary

5th place — Danica Pena, Carver Center

6th place — Christian Bell, Brooks Middle School

7th place (tied) — Phillip LaCroix, Goddard; and Sarahann Adams, Midland Christian School

8th place (tied) — Seth Ramsey, Big Spring Junior High School; Lindley Hobbs, Emerson Elementary; Maggie Brockman, Greenwood Elementary; Sarah Wood, Moss Elementary; Hannah Douglas, San Jacinto Junior High; and Alyne Munoz, South Elementary.

9th place (tied) — Joe Alaniz, Crockett Elementary; Oscar Lin, Goliad Elementary; Alexia Lyles, Jones Elementary; Jason Bernal, Long Elementary; and Tial "Chin" Iang, Rusk Elementary.

10th place (tied) — Kimberly Lopez, Bowie Fine Arts Academy; Dominic Fernandez, Burnet Elementary; Peter Koch, Fannin Elementary; Jaleen Marquez, Greathouse Elementary; Darius Patton, Henderson Elementary; Karlie Smith, Hillander School; Abigail Aleman, Lamar Elementary; Mario Alanis, Marcy Elementary; Mitchell Sharum, Midland Classical Academy; Josiah Rangel, Milam Elementary; Jessie Nestor, Parker Elementary; De'Janae Reed, Pease Communication and Technology Academy; Jacob Hammond, St. Ann's School; Isabella Garcia, Santa Rita Elementary; Opeyemi Olubajo, Scharbauer Elementary; Michael Huerta, Travis Elementary; Gage Davidson, Washington Elementary; and Callie McCright, Washington Math and Science Institute.

REPORTER-TELEGRAM REGIONAL SPELLING BEE CHAMPIONS SINCE 1993

1993 Jeremy Gengler, Goddard; 1994 Tarfia Faizullah, Trinity; 1995 Vinesh Patel, Abell; 1996 Vinesh Patel, Abell; 1997 Katie Noah, Goddard; 1998 Katie Noah, Goddard; 1999 Stacey Moore, Alamo; 2000 Michael Moore, Crockett; 2001 Chiraag Alur, Abell; 2002 Michael Moore, Alamo; 2003 Nicholas Van Nguyen, Anson Jones; 2004 Jamie Lain, San Jacinto; 2005 Taylor Young, Alamo; 2006 Danielle Rubio, Bonham; 2007 Calley Jones, Abell; 2008 Samuel Dowlen, MACHE; 2009 Samuel Dowlen, MACHE; 2010 Jace Brandl, Scharbauer Elementary; 2011 Thomas Rubio, Alamo Junior High; 2012 Thomas Rubio, Alamo Junior High; 2013 Gabby Rubio, Alamo Junior High; 2014 Gabby Rubio, Alamo Junior High

BY SCHOOL SINCE 1993

Alamo 7, Abell 4, Goddard 3, MACHE 2, San Jacinto 1, Trinity 1, Crockett 1, Anson Jones 1, Bonham 1, Scharbauer 1

Celebrate Mardi Gras in Midland

From staff reports

Looking for somewhere to celebrate Mardi Gras? From restaurants and bars to churches, Midlanders shouldn't be at a loss for a place to enjoy traditional Fat Tuesday food and drink, listen to music or catch beads.

Basin Burger House

The downtown restaurant will offer food and drink specials inspired by traditional New Orleans cuisine and live music by the Unsweet T's from 6-10 p.m. Tuesday

Rockin Rodeo

For Fat Tuesday, Rockin' Rodeo will award $300 to the woman who wins the Queen of the Beads contest. Sorry, fellas. All patrons can enjoy longnecks for — wait for it — a dime until 11 p.m. A dime!

Detour Bar

On Sunday at 2 p.m., The Detour Bar will host a shrimp boil and offer kings cake while beads are passed around and jazz plays on the jukebox.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish and Shrine

The church will host a Mardi Gras potluck dinner 5-8 p.m. today at its parish hall.

Memorial Christian Church, Church on the Journey, All Saints Anglican Church

The three congregations will host a Mardi Gras party with games, crafts and food from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday at Memorial Christian Church.

The Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity

The church will host a Shrove Tuesday celebration with musical entertainment by Patrice Compton who will perform musical numbers from the MCT Show "A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline" beginning at 6 p.m.

St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church

The church will host a pancake supper at 5:30 for Shrove Tuesday.

BOYCOTT

From 1A

"This policy is intended first and foremost to maintain a safe, secure and comfortable environment at our malls, which has always been our top priority, and to avoid any situation that could potentially place at risk the safety of our shoppers and employees," the statement said.

LaCroix, however, believes that Church's comments are "misguided at best and generally offensive." The right to carry a gun is especially important in places like shopping malls because it grants citizens the ability to defend themselves if someone was to ever open fire in the area.

"The only way to stop a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun," he said.

The Reporter-Telegram notified Midlanders about the new signs at Midland Park Mall this week, and the social media and website feedback is of a vast opinion that the ban is unacceptable.

For example, Joan P. Johnson wrote on the newspaper's Facebook account that she would no longer shop at the mall because of the ban.

"No more shopping at Midland Park Mall for me until they allow concealed weapons for those who are licensed to carry," she wrote. "I won't put myself in a situation where I'm unable to protect myself because a criminal won't be abiding by those signs."

But Church said in his statement that the mall, as private property, has a right to place a ban on weapons.

"Simon malls are private property, and like virtually every other facility in the community that is accessible by the public, ownership/management has the right to prohibit the possession of weapons, both displayed or concealed, other than licensed weapons carried by law enforcement personnel," the statement said.

LaCroix said he has not set a specific date for his protest yet, but wants to encourage Midlanders who feel strongly about the ban to participate. He created an email account for the protest where people can contact him directly if they would like to participate. The address is: MallCarryProject@yahoo.com.

Meanwhile, the signs that prohibit weapons at the mall were still in place as of Friday afternoon. But they aren't posted on every entrance. There are only three signs around the mall — one in front of each of the main entrances.

The entrances to Ulta Beauty and Ross Dress For Less, for instance, don't have signs near their storefronts. The stores, however, do connect to the main sector of the mall.

SPEAKING OUT

MPD has shown respect for homeless

■ Recent incident shouldn't overshadow what good police have done for those in need

By Evan Rogers
Church Under the Bridge Midland founder/president

The AP released an article earlier this week in regard to two Midland police officers. This article has made its way across the nation to various media outlets. Mind you, I did not finish reading the article after I saw my first quote printed.

The quote states, "the failure by police to disclose the officers' behavior once discovered made it appear the department was pushing it under the carpet." I do not know the PD's protocol when it comes to internal investigations nor is it my place to assume that the PD was neglecting to tell the local media and community. Although, not all of what I said was made public I guess reasoning behind that is the making of a more appealing read?

Regardless, the city of Midland and its police officers have shown the utmost respect and dignity to the homeless of Midland. I have personally spoken with several homeless who didn't have anything negative to say about the PD. The actions of two officers should not reflect the entire department. In this case it has. Several months ago during one of Midland's very cold nights, I received a phone call saying the homeless in one particular location were going to be told to move on. This would have uprooted their camp and made it for a very difficult night for those looking for a place to bunker down and stay warm.

Not long after Church Under the Bridge showed up to help our friends relocate did we get a phone call from a local officer stating that the chief of police told them not to move anyone, "it's too cold." In sub-freezing temperatures this is very dangerous and could be life threatening. Did you hear about this act of kindness from the Midland Police Department toward the same "homeless" that they are accused of mistreating? Whether you are a panhandler, homeless or a police officer, we all make mistakes and all should be forgiven regardless of your socio-economic status.

Church Under the Bridge Midland meets at 9:30 a.m. every Saturday at the corner of Baird Street and Washington Avenue. Through the Gospel of Jesus Christ we are able to meet the physical and spiritual needs of those living on the streets and in extreme poverty of Midland. Join us anytime.

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SPEAKING OUT

Talking to teens about dating violence and healthy relationships

By Judy Drury
Safe Place of the Permian Basin counselor
and Krystal Peter
Safe Place of the Permian Basin client advocate

If you are a parent of a teen, you know firsthand how intimidating and worrisome it can be to have one of those "talks" with your child. Whether it's the birds-and-bees talk, the stay-away-from-drugs-and-alcohol talk or some other responsibility chat, it can be difficult for a parent to know what to say, how to say it, and when to say it to their child.

One topic, often overlooked, is the talk about healthy dating relationships. True, many of you may not wish to think of your teen walking the halls holding hands, texting love quips to their significant other, or anything remotely related to dating. However, the reality is that teens are dating, and if we as parents do not educate them on the basics of healthy relationships, we could be setting them up for a lifetime of hurt, regret and difficulty. Whether you want to believe your child is among the number of teens who currently identify themselves as a "significant other," the reality is that one day they will be. Without knowledge about mutual respect in relationships, the possibility of becoming deeply entangled in an abusive relationship is greatly increased.

What do you say to a teen about dating abuse and healthy relationships? Begin by acknowledging that your teen is at an age where dating and relationships are going to happen. Let your child know that he/she can come to you to talk without fear of judgment. In addition, tell your teen that you care about their health and safety, and that they should always stand up for themselves in a situation that seems controlling, abusive, oppressive or in any way compromises their safety and values. Let them know that if they can't come to you, they can tell another trusted adult, and help is available.

After you've assured your teen that you are there for them, no matter what, give them examples of healthy relationship behaviors:

■ Respect each other and each other's individuality.

■ Be open and honest.

■ Support each other's healthy or appropriate choices, even if you disagree.

■ Each one in the relationship should have an equal say and respect boundaries.

■ Allow for separate interests and activities.

■ Feel comfortable enough to communicate feelings without fear of negative consequences.

■ Feel safe. Let your child know that just because there is no physical abuse in the relationship, that doesn't mean it's healthy. It's not healthy if your partner:

■ Makes you feel guilty when you spend time with friends or family.

■ Resents your accomplishments.

■ Is extremely jealous.

■ Wants to spend all free time with you.

■ Is inconsiderate, disrespectful or distrustful.

■ Tries to emotionally or financially control you.

■ Keeps you from getting a job or gets you fired.

■ Humiliates you on social media or in front of your friends.

■ Threatens you or your family, or threatens to hurt himself/herself if you don't do what they want.

■ Obsessive phone calling or texting.

■ Name calling or insults.

Teens need a lot of guidance from you as a parent. When it comes to teen dating violence, you can be a trusted source for the information they need to pursue healthy relationships. Talk with your teens, model healthy relationships with your partner, and keep an open dialogue.

For more information about teen dating violence and healthy relationships visit www.loveisrespect.org. If you suspect your teen is in an abusive relationship, Safe Place of the Permian Basin can assist with counseling and personal or legal advocacy. Contact us at 570-1465 or 580-5970.



LM Otero/AP

Trail Life members move their arms as they sing taps in a circle during a meeting Feb. 4 in North Richland Hills. Trail Life USA, the new Christian-based alternative to the Boy Scouts of America, excludes openly gay members.

No longer loyal to Scouts, boys join Trail Life group

By Nomaan Merchant
Associated Press

NORTH RICHLAND HILLS — Chatting in the living room one night, Ron Orr gave his 15-year-old son Andrew a choice: He could stick with the Boy Scouts of America and his mission to become an Eagle Scout, or he could join Trail Life USA — the new Christian-based alternative that excludes openly gay boys.

This was no small decision. Four generations of Orr men had been Eagles, including Ron and Andrew's older brother. Andrew had spent years working toward Scouting's highest rank, and was just months from reaching it.

But the Boy Scouts had decided to admit gays, and Ron Orr, a tall, soft-spoken man with a firm handshake, is clear about his Christian faith and what it says about homosexuality: It is a sin that cannot be tolerated.

His son agreed. He would forgo the century-old BSA for Trail Life, which officially launched just last month.

"It felt like I'd be hitting something higher than Eagle in terms of achievement," Andrew said.

So Orr and his son left BSA and set out with other families to build a new organization based on what they believe to be Christian values. Orr is a regional organizer who speaks to churches and groups about Trail Life. His son now aspires to achieve a Freedom Award, the new group's highest rank.

The Orrs and others in Trail Life said they are fighting for the traditional values of Christianity and of Scouting, which includes a command in the Scout Oath to be "morally straight" — even as a changing America grows more accepting of gays and gay marriage. They are leaving an organization central to many of their upbringings with heavy hearts, but also with the belief that the Scouting they knew no longer exists.

"As Christians from a scriptural basis, we love all folks, but the Scripture is very clear that being homosexual is a sin," Ron Orr said in an interview. "We've got to be able to hold a strong line and set a consistent example for our young men."

Trail Life has established units in more than 40 states, mostly from Boy Scouts and parents who feel their old organization has lost its way. It has about 600 units up and running or in the process of registration, executive director Rob Green said. As many as half of those who have expressed interest were not affiliated with the Boy Scouts beforehand, Green said.

It is still a tiny movement compared to Scouting, which has nearly 2.5 million youth members and remains a powerful force in American life, even with a 6 percent drop in membership last year.

Trail Life promotes itself on its website as the "premier national character development organization for young men which produces Godly and responsible husbands, fathers and citizens."

Its official membership standards policy welcomes all boys, but adds, "We grant membership to adults and youth who do not engage in or promote sexual immorality of any kind, or engage in behavior that would become a distraction to the mission of the program."

For over a century, Scouting banned openly gay youth and leaders, fighting all the way to the Supreme Court to defend its right to do so. Leaders who were revealed to be gay were excluded, and some boys were denied Eagle Scout awards by regional councils that were notified of their sexual orientation.

But the Scouts eventually began to face pressure from sponsors and CEOs who serve in Scouting leadership but lead companies with anti-discrimination policies. BSA surveys also

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'12 Years a Slave' rolls at annual Spirit Awards

By Jake Coyle
Associated Press

SANTA MONICA, Calif. — "12 Years a Slave" rolled at the Spirit Awards, winning five awards including best feature at the annual independent film celebration.

On the eve of the Academy Awards, the slavery tale won awards for director Steve McQueen, actress Lupita Nyong'o, screenwriter John Ridley and cinematographer Sean Bobbitt. In a more laid-back, beachside ceremony in Santa Monica, just west of Los Angeles, "12 Years a Slave" was applauded as the clear favorite of the indie circuit.

The Spirit Awards could end up being — more than ever before — a dress rehearsal to Sunday's Academy Awards. "12 Years a Slave" is considered, albeit extremely narrowly, the favorite for best picture over the space spectacle "Gravity" and the 1970s con-artist "American Hustle." (Neither film was eligible at the Spirits, which honor films made for $20 million or less.)

The acting winners, too, may line up. All of the Oscar favorites won Saturday at the Spirits, including best actor for Matthew McConaughey in "Dallas Buyers Club" and Cate Blanchett in "Blue Jasmine." McConaughey's co-star, Jared Leto, won best male supporting performance.

Leto gave what might be the acceptance speech to end all acceptance speeches, rattling off an absurd list of thank yous to not just those with "Dallas Buyers Club," but Herman Hess, Wayne Gretzky, home-made burritos, "the seven billion people on the planet" and many more. The actor-rocker added, with emphasis, "all the women I've been with and all the women who think they've been with me."

For many, the Spirit Awards conclude months of award-season events, and they provide a chance to exhale before the Oscars. McConaughey, Blanchett, Leto and Nyong'o have racked up a slew of awards, often triumphing over the same colleagues.

"What am I going to say that I haven't already said?" Blanchett remarked in her acceptance speech. On her way into the luncheon, the actress also repeated her view of the renewed scandal surrounding "Blue Jasmine" director Woody Allen and Dylan Farrow's claims he sexually assaulted her as a child: "It's a family issue, and I hope they can resolve it as a family."

This award, one of many for Nyong'o, stood out for the now 31-year-old actress: "Not a bad way to celebrate my birthday," she said.

Nyong'o dedicated the award to her mother, Dorothy, who was in the audience, for years of driving her to auditions. "Your love has driven me this far," she said.

Presented by Film Independent (a group of filmmakers, industry professionals and movie buffs) and hosted Saturday by Patton Oswalt, the Spirits are first and foremost a show to fete indie film and cast a spotlight on the little films that have to scrape money together to get made.

McQueen, with "12 Years a Slave" producer Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie looking on, reflected on how the naturalistic films of John Cassavetes "changed my life."

In accepting the award for best first feature, "Fruitvale Station" director Ryan Coogler provided the afternoon's most emotional moment. His film is about Oscar Grant, a 22-year-old black man shot while handcuffed by police. Coogler implored the audience to remember the "thousands of other Oscar Grants" and wondered why so many victims of such gun violence "always look like me." The crowd gave him a standing ovation.



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showed that youths and parents of Scouting-age children were supportive of allowing openly gay Scouts.

Scouting leadership proposed a compromise: Accept openly gay youth, but exclude gay adult volunteers. BSA's National Council voted in May to enact it.

There are signs that the change worked. One of the gay Scouts who rallied for the change, Pascal Tessier, of Maryland, has since received his Eagle award. And threats of massive departures from Scouting ranks have not materialized. Early reports suggest a small percentage of Scouts left BSA because of the policy — far less than even what Scouting leaders were led to expect by surveys conducted before the vote.

"Ultimately, Scouting voted in favor of a new policy that allows us to serve more kids," said Deron Smith, BSA's national spokesman, in an email. "That said, we're pleased that the strong majority of our Scouting family remains committed to Scouting."

But the vote also angered many people affiliated with Scouting, particularly in more conservative parts of the country. Many of them have stayed with Scouting so far. Others have sought alternatives, from Trail Life to other youth groups sponsored by churches.

"We're trying to learn from the mistakes of the Boy Scouts," said John Stemberger, an Orlando, Fla., lawyer who led the opposition to BSA's May vote and went on to found Trail Life.

Stemberger accused BSA of imposing "an artificial political and social agenda" on its national membership at the expense of its rank-and-file members and churches. He said he's heard from people still in Scouting who are quietly dissatisfied, but staying put for now.

"They have now allowed open and avowed presentation in your face: here and queer, that kind of blunt thing," he said in an interview late last year. "And we don't think that's appropriate. We will allow boys of same-sex attraction in the program. We're not going to allow them to facilitate and promote that."

Some of the parents who took their children out of Scouting and into Trail Life admit feeling the loss of BSA's history and tradition. They remember Eagle Scout ceremonies and trips to BSA's national campgrounds, and acknowledge that their children won't experience those things in quite the same way.

But they said the threat to their children's values outweighs any of that.

Orr home-schooled his two sons, one of whom is now in college, and leads his local association of home-school parents in North Richland Hills, a conservative suburb of Fort Worth. Orr said he was confident before the vote that the policy change would fail. When it didn't, he and his association's board began to study alternatives.

Orr attended Trail Life's national convention in September, where he met with others interested in a new program and came away confident that it would work for his son and other boys in the home-school association. He's now one of Trail Life's leading recruiters, responsible for six states in the Southwest.

"When we saw Trail Life unveiled, what I saw was a program built on strong Christian principles, but those were integrated into a young man's development," he said.

All of the families in his Trail Life unit belong to the home-schooling association. They put a great emphasis on traditional Christian values, taking a direct hand in their children's education to make sure those values are instilled.

"We feel strongly enough that they should be taught at a young age and modeled," said Lisa Glaspell, the mother of three young boys. She just signed up her oldest, 5-year-old Malachi, for Trail Life.

"I'm a single parent, and I knew he would be surrounded by men of good, strong character," Glaspell said in an interview. "And I knew they could provide him with the example and encouragement he's going to need as a young boy."

On a recent winter evening, about 40 boys from the unit attended a Trail Life meeting inside a nondenominational Christian church. All of the boys, ages 5 to 16, met together before splitting off into age and rank groups.

They wore green Trail Life T-shirts and stood in lines in front of their three youth leaders. After reciting the Pledge of Allegiance, it was time for them to raise their right hands and say the Trail Life Oath, which called on the boys in part "to serve God and my country, to respect authority, and to be a good steward of creation."

Most of them didn't know all of the words yet, and the group lost steam after the first line. As the boys started to giggle and look around at each other, one of their leaders shouted, "Start over!" and helped them finish it.

They then sat down for a religious talk from their adult Trailmaster, Philip Buchholz. He told them that it was important for them to stay true to who they are.

"You're the salt of the earth," Buchholz told the boys, quoting Matthew 5:13. "The salt was a preservative. You guys, being the salt of the earth, are a preservative."

He asked them for examples of salt's uses, and then issued an apt challenge.

"If salt loses its saltiness, how is (the Earth) going to be preserved?"

Trail Life has just seven paid staffers so far. It is still working through signing up new units and building the infrastructure that a national youth organization will need. The organization is relying on a $325 chartering fee for new units, as well as membership fees, merchandise sales and some private donations.

Stemberger said he's heartened by the "organic" growth so far and predicted more Scouts will defect, particularly if BSA eventually opens its doors to openly gay adult leaders. "When they do that, we'll be in a position to see real growth," he said.

The boys and their parents are still getting used to a world of new names, new ranks and new uniforms that haven't arrived yet. They hold up five fingers while reciting their oath, instead of three. Scouts are now "Trailmen," and troops are now units. There is a new handshake and a new salute.

Trail Life has issued a chart to transfer Scouting ranks into Trail Life ranks. It has a handbook that covers camping, knots and other skills familiar to any Scout. To achieve the Freedom Award, boys will choose subjects for a "major" and two "minors," something Trail Life organizers hope will give the boys new opportunities to learn and challenge themselves.

"I see all of these elements working together to truly build upon the foundation they received in Boy Scouts and maybe go to a new standard as they move forward in Trail Life," Orr said.

It will be years before the parents know if the change and their effort were worth it.

After Buchholz's talk about Scripture, another adult leader, Joshua White, announced the winner of the vote that opened their meeting: to rename the box-car races known nationwide by Scouts as the Pinewood Derby. The winning name for the Derby was the Trail Life Grand Prix, and the boy who suggested the name won a patch to be sewn onto his formal uniform, once it's ready.

The boys then broke off into age groups. The oldest teenagers discussed the unit's first camp, scheduled for April. The youngest, 5- and 6-year-old boys, talked to an adult about what to do if they got lost at the mall. Others played games in the parking lot outside, running around and shouting joyfully on a cold evening.

White wasn't a Boy Scout growing up, but went to high school with Eagle Scouts whom he admired greatly. "From pretty much that point on, I knew I wanted my son to be a part of that," he said. His son, now 11, joined Cub Scouts and soon shared his dad's dream.

But the policy on gays changed that.

Sitting next to Orr during the meeting, White began to cry as he described what his son said: "I wanted to go with what God would want."

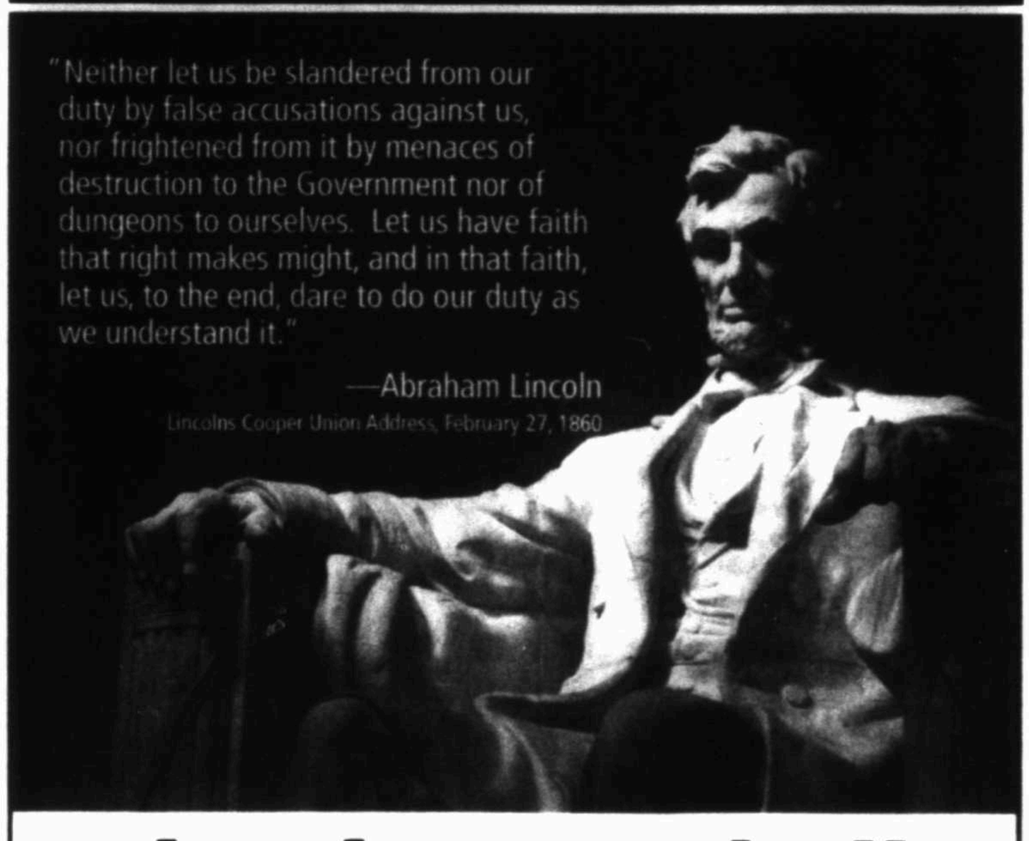
His voice wavered.

"It made it clear that we had taught him what he needed to know," he said.

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Tuesday, the forecast calls for partly sunny skies during the day, partly cloudy skies at night, with a high around 54 and a low around 37.

The high on Saturday reached 82, while the low dropped to 46. The record high for March 1 is 89 set in 2006. The record low is 14 set in 1962.

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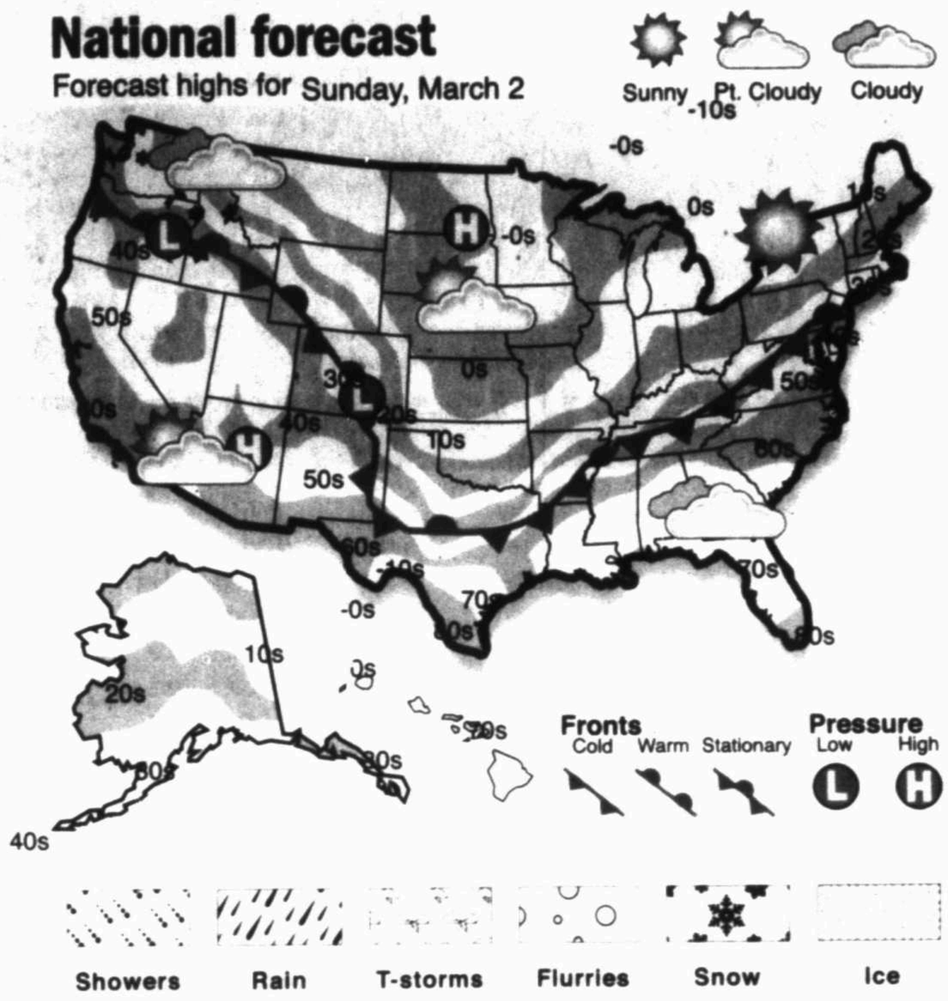
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Documents: Nuclear storage tanks have 'significant design flaws'

By Nicholas Geranios
Associated Press

SPOKANE, Wash. — While one of the newer double-walled nuclear waste storage tanks at a Washington state complex has leaked, six others have "significant construction flaws" that could lead to additional leaks, according to documents obtained by The Associated Press.

The 28 double-walled tanks at Hanford nuclear waste complex hold some of the worst radioactive waste at the nation's most contaminated nuclear weapons site.

One of those giant tanks was found to be leaking in 2012. But subsequent surveys of the other double-walled tanks performed for the U.S. Department of Energy by one of its Hanford contractors found at least six shared defects with the leaking tank that could lead to future leaks, the documents said. Thirteen additional tanks also might be compromised, according to the documents.

Questions about the storage tanks jeopardize efforts to clean up radioactive waste at the southeastern Washington site. Hanford cleanup already costs taxpayers about $2 billion a year.

"It is time for the Department (of Energy) to stop hiding the ball and pretending that the situation at Hanford is being effectively managed," Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., wrote Friday in a letter to Energy Secretary Ernest Moniz.

Energy Department officials in Richland said the agency continues to make thorough inspections of the tanks, and has increased the frequency of those inspections.

"They used to be reviewed every five to seven years," said Tom Fletcher, the Energy Department's assistant manager for tank farms. "Now we are moving to a three-year time frame."

The department is in the process of inspecting the final eight double-walled tanks at Hanford that have not been analyzed since the leak was detected in late 2012, Fletcher said Friday.

No new leaks have been found, he said.

"If there are changes or improvements we need to make in the program, based on what we learn, to make sure we capture the risks that exist on the tank farms, we will make them," Fletcher said.

He added the Energy Department continues to examine the possibility of building new storage tanks at Hanford.

Tom Carpenter, of the citizen watchdog group Hanford Challenge, said he wasn't surprised that more of the double-walled tanks are in danger of leaking.

"These tanks have an engineered design life, and we are reaching the end," Carpenter said. "It's bad planning that they don't have new tanks up and running."

While new tanks are expensive, cleaning up a leak is more expensive, he added. "The price for cleaning up the environment once this stuff gets out there is incalculable."

Hanford contains some 53 million gallons of high-level radioactive wastes from the production of plutonium for nuclear weapons. They are stored in 177 underground storage tanks, many of which date back to World War II and are single-walled models that have leaked. The 28 double-walled tanks were built from the 1960s to the 1980s.

Current plans call for transferring wastes from leaking single-walled tanks to the newer and bigger double-walled tanks, where the waste will be stored while a $13 billion plant for treating the waste is constructed. But the treatment plant is plagued with design problems and construction has stalled.

The situation did not appear dire until the news in October 2012 that the oldest of the double-walled tanks, called AY-102, had leaked, becoming the first of those 28 tanks to do so.

At the time, the Energy Department blamed construction problems with this particular tank for the leak and said it "seems unlikely" that the other double-walled tanks would leak.

However, Wyden said engineering reviews of six other double-walled tanks "found significant construction flaws in those six tanks essentially similar to those at the leaking tank." Those six tanks contain about 5 million gallons of radioactive wastes, wrote Wyden, who until recently was chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee.

For instance, one tank was found to have bulging "in the primary and secondary bottoms," according to the documents obtained through Wyden's office. The tank also had a high number of welds that were rejected by inspectors and done again during its construction.

Additionally, a review of 13 other double-walled tanks found they were in better shape than the leaker. "But construction issues identified for these tanks, such as weld rejection rates, are cause for concern" and raise "uncertainty of long-term tank integrity," Wyden wrote.

That means that 20 of the 28 double-walled tanks at Hanford raise some level of concern.

Wyden said the Energy Department should take a new look at proposals by the governors of Washington and Oregon to build new storage tanks at Hanford. Such tanks are likely to cost more than $100 million each.

The senator also criticized the Energy Department for releasing a "framework" for the cleanup of Hanford in September that did not mention the construction flaws in the double-walled tanks. He called that "indefensible."

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Chapo's Rise: From poor, abused to cartel kingpin

By Jacques Billeaud
Alicia Caldwell
Elliot Spagat
and Michael Weissenstein
Associated Press

It was nighttime in May 1990, in the heyday of the cocaine boom across America. Twenty Mexican federal police officers and a handful of U.S. Customs agents, acting on a tip, descended on a stucco home on the edge of Agua Prieta, Mexico — a stone's throw from Arizona. "Policia," they yelled, guns drawn, before busting down the front door.

The house was empty but looked lived in, with dishes in the kitchen and toys in the backyard. The officers moved quickly to a spacious game room, complete with a bar and a pool table, set atop a 10-by-10 foot concrete panel on the floor.

An informant had told them that what they were looking for was under the pool table. With a jackhammer, the officers went to work. Then, a stroke of luck: One of them turned the knob of a faucet and suddenly the floor and the pool table rose into the air — like a hydraulic lift in an auto shop.

A metal staircase led down to a stunning discovery: Beneath the house, connecting to a warehouse in the U.S. 300 feet away, was an underground tunnel outfitted with lighting, air vents and tracks on the floor to transport carts full of drugs.

It was, at the time, unheard of, a new level of sophistication in the cross-border war on the cartels shipping tons of cocaine and marijuana northbound every year. Still, said retired Customs agent Terry Kirkpatrick: "None of us ... looked at it with the vision that this would be the future of drug smuggling."

Nor did they know then who was behind it: The one they called "Shorty" because of his 5-foot-6 frame, a man who grew up poor and had no formal education but would rise from a small-time Mexican marijuana producer to lead the world's most powerful drug cartel.

The tunnel marked the dawn of a new, craftier and deadlier era in the drug war: the beginning of the reign of "El Chapo."

A WEEK AFTER his capture in the resort city of Mazatlan, Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman sits in a cell in Mexico's highest-security prison, a sprawling complex surrounded by barbed-wire fences.

It is a far cry from the life he lived as the head of Mexico's Sinaloa Cartel, further still from his beginnings in the mountain village of La Tuna de Badiraguato, Sinaloa, on the country's Pacific coast. There, Guzman was one of six children of a man who supposedly raised cattle but, authorities have said, actually worked in the region's main industry — growing and smuggling opium and marijuana.

As a boy, Guzman was physically abused by his father, according to Michael Vigil, a former senior U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration official. He nevertheless followed him into the drug trade and began growing marijuana.

By the late 1970s, when Guzman was in his 20s, Mexican kingpin Hector Luis Palma Salazar placed him in charge of transporting drugs from Sinaloa to coastal cities on their way north to the U.S., according to "The Last Narco," a Guzman biography. After that, Guzman rose quickly through the ranks, and by the early '80s was supervising logistics for Miguel Angel Felix Gallardo,

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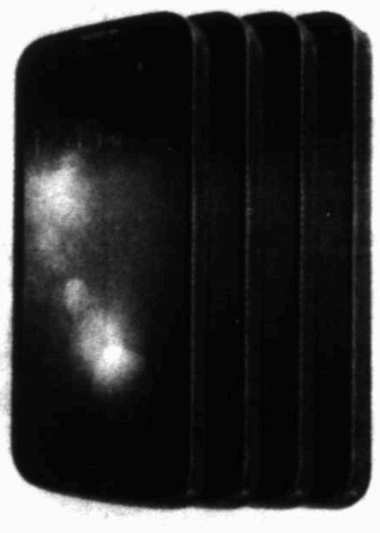
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founder of the Guadalajara cartel.

Guzman worked as a Gallardo lieutenant for years, then emerged as one of the dominant figures on the drug-trafficking scene as Gallardo was hunted by the DEA and eventually arrested for the 1985 murder of agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena.

"He shows up as an all of a sudden, overnight thing," said Edward Heath, who ran the DEA's Mexico office during the Camarena killing. "The guy was smart enough to pick up on how things get done. If someone did not perform well or you become a threat, he would set 'em up. A lot of people got killed. A lot of people got sent to jail."

As he consolidated power, Guzman began showing a flair for inventive smuggling. According to U.S. prosecutors and federal indictments, he opened a business disguised as an air taxi service and used two Learjets to ferry drugs. In 1989, cocaine concealed as boxes of Mexican soap was shipped into Southern California. In 1992, Guzman and his men opened a hardware store near Los Angeles to import rolls of chicken wire mixed with hidden fiberglass compartments to store cocaine. Even shipments of jalapeno peppers were stuffed with coke.

Then there were the tunnels. "You could call him the godfather of tunnels along the border," said Kirkpatrick, the agent at the 1990 discovery.

That passageway was the first of many linked to Guzman. About a half-dozen other tunnels were found in ensuing years in California and Arizona that ran the length of several football fields and were equipped with hydraulic lifts and electric rail cars. One stretched 1,400 feet from Tijuana, Mexico, to a warehouse near San Diego, according to court records.

By the early 1990s, the DEA considered Guzman among Mexico's top 10 drug traffickers, but the Mexican organizations were a secondary concern to Colombia's Medellin and Cali cartels, said Robert Bonner, who headed the DEA from 1990 to 1993. That changed when Gallardo's group started taking payment in cocaine instead of cash, slowly gaining control of the drug chain stretching from South America to the United States.

Medellin's Pablo Escobar was killed in late 1993, and the Mexicans eventually overtook the Colombians.

Guzman and his cohorts became known as the Sinaloa Cartel, and they waged an increasingly bloody war with former allies. Their feud with Tijuana's Arellano Felix cartel made global headlines in May 1993 when gunmen purportedly hunting Guzman opened fire on a car carrying a Catholic cardinal, blasting the prelate 14 times at close range.

Mexican officials, long suspected of protecting Guzman, put out a $5 million reward for information. Less than a month after the cardinal's killing, Guzman was arrested in Guatemala. In 1995, he was convicted on murder and drug charges and sent off to a prison in Guadalajara.



Jonathan Tellez/AP

People march in support of jailed drug boss Joaquin Guzman, "El Chapo," on Wednesday in the city of Culiacan, Mexico. Hundreds of people marched on the streets of Culiacan, the drug lord's bastion, demanding that Guzman be freed.

Many thought he'd never be heard from again. They were, of course, dead wrong.

ON JAN. 19, 2001, with 12 years left on a 20-year sentence, Guzman crawled into a laundry cart and was wheeled out of prison by a guard, according to the ex-DEA agent Vigil. Guzman ordered the guard to stop their getaway car at a convenience store and then vanished into the night.

The escape fueled Guzman's near-mythical status, and he grew ever more powerful.

He solidified his distribution networks in Los Angeles and Chicago, which became the Sinaloa Cartel's main U.S. hubs. He expanded to Europe and Australia, sending emissaries to develop local contacts who knew whom to bribe and how to set up distribution networks.

To ferry cocaine from Colombia, he began using private airstrips in Guatemala, then moved the drugs over land to the U.S., where authorities say he controlled roughly half the 1,954-mile U.S.-Mexico border. He used a Boeing 747 jet, trucks, cars, boats and rail cars to move his drugs, according to one federal indictment in Chicago.

As Mexican authorities killed or arrested his rivals, Guzman stayed on, his hold on the trade growing seemingly stronger even after then-President Felipe Calderon launched an offensive against the cartels in 2006.

All the while, he evaded capture, sparing no expense on communications gear and developing a security apparatus to rival those of some countries, said one senior U.S. law enforcement official. As a result, he moved freely, attending family bashes and marrying a beauty queen in 2007 at a well-attended party in Sinaloa. (Guzman is said to have at least nine children with three women.)

Guzman outlasted contemporaries by forging temporary alliances with other traffickers and sharing intelligence on rivals with government officials who killed or arrested them, said David Shirk, associate political science professor at the University of San Diego.

"The Sinaloa Cartel brought economies of scale and organizational capacity but, most importantly, they knew how to knock out their rivals," Shirk said. "There's more to this than knowing how to hide the drugs. It's about good intel and good working relations with the authorities."

When Forbes magazine named him one of the "World's Most Powerful People" in 2009, the Mexican government responded angrily. For years he also was included in the publication's list of world's billionaires, alongside Bill Gates and others.

"He was a thug who had capacity for great violence but also had the capacity for great, great strategic planning," said Anthony Coulson, retired head of the DEA's Tucson, Ariz., office.

THE END CAME quickly and quietly. On Feb. 22, a U.S. wiretap directed Mexican marines to a fourth-floor condominium in Mazatlan. Guzman (whose age authorities have given as either 56 or 59) was found in a bathroom, with his beauty-queen wife and his twin 2 1/2-year-old daughters nearby. No shots were fired.

At least seven U.S. courts have indictments pending against him, and several are pressing for extradition. He faces organized-crime charges in four Mexican states and in Mexico City. He could — barring another escape — spend the rest of his life behind bars.

As for his organization, some predict it will go on. Drug lords come and go all the time, after all, and their empires persist when control is assumed by the next guy in line. And, certainly, not all in Mexico see Guzman or the cartel he spent much of his life creating in the same sinister light as do authorities.

Wednesday night, hundreds took to the streets of Sinaloa's capital city to march in support of the man they see as a savior. "We support Chapo Guzman because he is the one who gives us jobs and helps out in the mountains," said protester Pedro Ramirez.

Norteno musicians played trumpets while students in uniforms hoisted signs demanding the freedom of the native son who rose so high and, in the eyes of some, accomplished so much despite his final fall. As one banner read: "We Love Chapo."

Billeaud reported from Phoenix; Caldwell from Washington, D.C.; Spagat from San Diego; Weissenstein from Mexico City.



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Sinaloa cartel uses street gangs as US franchises

By Dan Freedman
Hearst Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Likely facing a long prison stretch, Joaquin "El Chapo" Guzman could consider writing one of those how-to-succeed-in-business books, the kind churned out by legendary American CEOs Lee Iacocca and Jack Welch.

If he did, he could invoke many of the business world's favorite tactics, including logistical networking, expanding markets overseas and, most of all, outsourcing.

After all, it's no accident that Guzman took an organization rooted in the rich poppy- and marijuana-growing lands of the Mexican state of Sinaloa and turned it into a worldwide enterprise. The illegal business brought in billions and earned him No. 67 on Forbes' "most powerful" list, one behind House Speaker John Boehner.

What's the secret of Sinaloa's success? The chapters might go along these lines:

FRANCHISING IS EFFICIENT, COST EFFECTIVE

While other cartels often depended on their own operatives to market drugs, Sinaloa pioneered business alliances with regional and local criminal gangs, said a senior Drug Enforcement Administration official who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Other cartels' use of their own operatives from Mexico "initially was a great thing for U.S. law enforcement because they were easy to identify," the DEA official said. Local street gang members and affiliates are not as easily tracked.

In California, a 2011 FBI report said the Sinaloa Cartel built alliances with gangs such as the Mexican Mafia, Surenos and Border Brothers, which has roots in Oakland.

In Los Angeles, Sinaloa-connected gang members have been involved in kidnappings, drug sales and collecting drug proceeds, the report said.

Operation Xcellerator, a 2008-2009 U.S. Department of Justice roundup of Sinaloa's U.S. foot soldiers, netted 150 in Los Angeles, 11 from Stockton, one from Tracy and one from Oakland.

For Guzman and his hierarchy, the upside is huge, and the downside minimal.

"A lot of times (locals) have no idea who they're actually working for," said Sylvia Longmire, a former intelligence contractor for the California Governor's Office of Homeland Security and author of "Cartels: The Coming Invasion of Mexico's Drug Wars."

"The beauty of outsourcing to networks of gang members is they have little valuable intelligence to give police if they're arrested," Longmire said. "The cartel doesn't lose much besides the drug load, which is the cost of doing business."

In addition, the Sinaloa Cartel has used boats to transport drugs to California and to Vancouver, where the Hells Angels act as their on-the-ground interlocutors in Canada.

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

Nestled between the Pacific and the Sierra Madre, Sinaloa got its boost as a drug-growing region during World War II when the U.S. needed a ready supply of opium poppies to turn into morphine for wounded troops.

Guzman's uncle, Pedro Aviles Perez, started the cartel in the 1960s — the first to use aircraft for transporting marijuana. Sinaloa's location in northwest Mexico near the border of California proved to be the cartel's main logistical asset.

The Sinaloa-Los Angeles route "provides easy access" to U.S. markets, said Jeronimo Cortina, a political scientist at the University of Houston who studies Mexico.

So it is no wonder that at the time of his arrest by Mexican marines in Mazatlan on Feb. 22, Guzman was under indictment in San Diego, New York, Chicago, Miami, El Paso and elsewhere in the United States.

SEARCHING OUT NEW MARKETS

Mexican cartels started handling huge quantities of Colombian cocaine in the 1980s after U.S. law enforcement blocked the traditional Colombian smuggling route through the Caribbean and South Florida. But the American appetite for cocaine has been on the wane in recent years.

More than any of their competitors, the Sinaloa Cartel has countered the decline by opening new markets for cocaine overseas. Guzman started shipping cocaine to Europe via West Africa. The markup is two or three times what it would be in the United States and business has been brisk, the DEA official said.

But Europe is not the end of the line. Sinaloa Cartel cocaine permeates Asia, from Dubai to Shanghai, Hong Kong and Singapore — "any place where there's a lot of people with disposable income," the DEA official said.

SECRETS OF THE SUCCESSFUL ENTREPRENEUR

While corporate outsourcing and cost-cutting often are described as "cutthroat," murder is not an acceptable tactic in the rest of the business world.

But the cartels do it with impunity, costing the lives of 50,000 or more Mexicans since former President Felipe Calderon brought in the military to fight the drug lords in 2006.

Cartels such as the Zetas use murder to terrorize and intimidate, cutting off faces, heads or limbs, or hanging victims' remains from bridges.

The Sinaloa Cartel also has used violence to achieve its goals, vanquishing rivals in a battle for the lucrative smuggling "plaza" through Juarez and El Paso, a conflict that resulted in 5,000 or more deaths.

But Guzman and his associates were said to view violence as bad for business and notably refrained from the kind of grotesque dismemberment that marked Zetas killings.

"Body dumps, going after U.S. law enforcement, kidnapping peasants — those sort of things attract unwanted attention," Longmire said. "Image turns out to be a very important part of the drug business."

SUCCESSION PLANNING

Experts in and out of law enforcement agree the Sinaloa Cartel's business is unlikely to be affected by Guzman's arrest, as long as his No. 2, Ismael "El Mayo" Zambada, remains at large. Zambada is 66, a decade older than Guzman. He is said to be a family man and more of an old-school drug lord who told Mexico's Proceso magazine in 2010 that he would rather commit suicide than be captured.

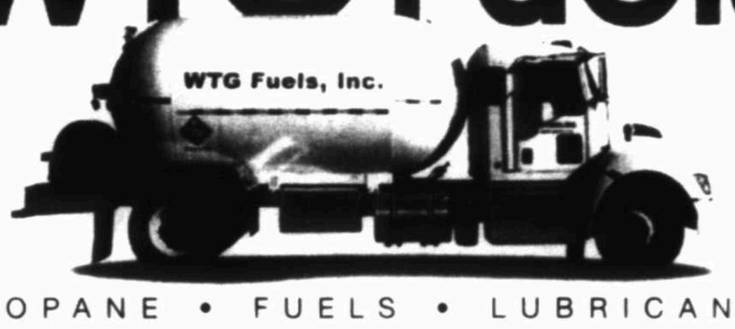
But even if Zambada is arrested, enough seasoned replacements stand in the wings to assure the cartel's survival — as long as there's still money to be made.

Mexican authorities would have to detain several levels of cartel operatives to have an impact, the DEA official said.

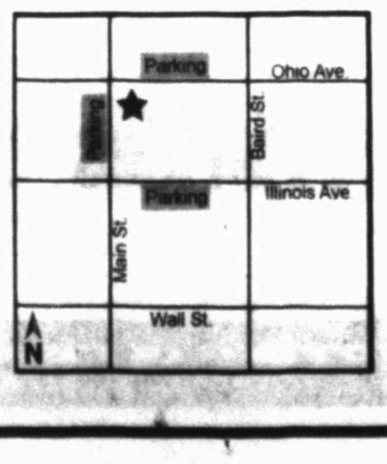
But the arrest of Guzman is bound to cause some dislocation. "There's no contracts in this world," the official said. "A lot of things are done on a handshake."

Guzman "had his pet turtles, people he's taking care of that El Mayo didn't care for," the official said. "He may replace or reduce them as he puts his own people in place. It's an international corporation, so it operates on the same principles."

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President Barack Obama shakes hands with Afghan President Hamid Karzai at the conclusion of their joint news conference in the East Room of the White House in Washington in this 2013 photo. If President Barack Obama decided to leave no military advisory force in Afghanistan next year, would Afghan security unravel to the point of enabling a civil war, a Taliban takeover and a return of al-Qaida in such numbers as to pose a 9/11-type threat.



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U.S. troops listen to Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel speak at Camp Bastion, Afghanistan, in 2013.

What will happen in post-war Afghanistan

By Robert Burns
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — If President Barack Obama were to decide to leave no military advisory force in Afghanistan next year, would Afghan security unravel to the point of enabling a civil war, a Taliban takeover and a return of al-Qaida in such numbers as to pose a 9/11-type threat?

That is the question at the core of the debate over Obama's next move in a long-running standoff with the Afghans over a postwar presence.

A look at the debate and the arguments behind it.

Q: Hasn't Obama said the war will end this year?

A: Yes, but that tells only part of the story of the endgame for America's longest war. Obama refers to ending the U.S. and coalition combat role in Afghanistan on Dec. 31, as was agreed four years ago. Aside from the fact that for Afghans, the war and its misery almost certainly will not end this year, the remaining issue for Obama is whether to begin a follow-on military advisory mission in January that also would allow U.S. special operations forces to continue hunting the small remaining numbers of al-Qaida in eastern Afghanistan.

Q: What good would advisers do, if 13 years of combat couldn't win the war?

A: The thinking is that with a little more help, U.S.-trained Afghan government troops could at least hold their own against the Taliban over the next few years, creating a better chance for a long-term political settlement. It has been clear for some time that U.S. and coalition forces can damage but not decisively defeat the Taliban, and that the best hope for peace and stability is to enable an Afghan solution.

A study by CNA Strategic Studies, a federally funded think tank, published earlier this month concluded that the Taliban is likely to regroup and gain strength after 2014, posing a threat to the government in the 2015-18 period, even if U.S. and other international advisers remain. But the picture could grow much worse, the study said, if foreign forces abandon the country entirely. It predicted a "downward spiral" of Afghan security force capabilities, and of Afghan security, unless U.S. and other advisers remain and the international community continues to underwrite the cost of Afghan's army.

Q: So what's the argument against keeping advisers there?

A: The practical problem is that Afghan President Hamid Karzai has thus far refused to sign a deal he negotiated with Washington last year that provides the legal basis for U.S. forces to remain there after 2014. No deal, no troops, the White House said. There also are political factors. A war-weary American public appears to have little appetite for even a slimmed-down commitment to remaining involved in the inconclusive war, which began in 2001 and is the longest in American history.

Q: Is Obama likely to abandon the idea of providing a follow-on advisory force?

A: He is keeping his options open, but many who have closely followed the war believe Obama will keep pressing the Afghans to approve a U.S.-NATO advisory mission. Less than a year after he took office, Obama took ownership of the war by ordering an extra 30,000 troops into battle, saying America's security depends on a stable Afghanistan.

Michael O'Hanlon of the Brookings Institution think tank said in an email interview Thursday that by choosing the "zero option," as it has come to be called, Obama would be "perilously close to conceding — or at least risking — defeat" in Afghanistan. He does not believe Obama is leaning toward that option.

Q: How is it possible that, after 13 years of war, the Afghan forces are not ready to stand on their own?

A: It depends on how you look at it. U.S. officials said they believe the Afghan army has shown it can stand up to the Taliban. Afghan forces have taken the lead combat role for many months now. But they have enjoyed the luxury of knowing that American troops have their backs. The problem is not the Afghans' will or ability to fight. The problem, from a purely military standpoint, is the government's limited ability to sustain them in that fight. In other words, the Afghans need help running their own defense establishment to keep weapons and supplies — and paychecks — flowing to the troops, and to develop effective air forces.

Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel said Thursday in Brussels that without U.S. and coalition backup, there is a risk of an "erosion of confidence" among Afghan troops. Some said that could lead to their collapse. The U.S.'s top military officer, Joint Chiefs of Staff Chairman Gen. Martin Dempsey, said after meeting with ground commanders in Afghanistan on Wednesday that he feared a Western departure would embolden the Taliban and even cause some Afghan troops to cooperate with the Taliban to "hedge their bets."

Q: When will Obama have to decide whether to pull all U.S. troops out?

A: There is no hard deadline. Administration officials had said late last year that they needed a decision by Karzai in a matter of weeks. By it now appears that Obama could afford to wait even beyond this summer. By July, the top U.S. commander in Kabul, Gen. Joseph Dunford, expects to have established a force tailored for a post-2014 advising and counterterrorism mission, although the military has said it would like to know by early summer, in part because some NATO allies who want to be part of that post-2014 force need time to make their own arrangements. It appears Dunford might be able to wait as late as October for a decision on whether to fully withdraw.

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Primaries offer 1st major test of voter ID laws

By Thomas Beaumont
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In elections that begin next week, voters in 10 states will be required to present photo identification before casting ballots — the first major test of voter ID laws after years of legal challenges arguing that the measures are designed to suppress voting.

The first election is March 4 in Texas, followed by nine other primaries running through early September that will set the ballot for the midterm elections in November, when voters decide competitive races for governor and control of Congress.

The primaries will be closely watched by both sides of the voter ID debate, which intensified in 2011, the year after Republicans swept to power in dozens of statehouses.

For months, election workers have been preparing new voting procedures, while party activists and political groups seek ID cards for voters who do not have them.

The debut of the new laws in a few smaller-scale elections over the past year has already exposed some problems, such as mismatched names, confusion over absentee voting provisions and rules that require voters to travel great distances to obtain proper documentation. In one case, voters had no recourse if their credentials were challenged.

"Unless people are paying attention, and a lot of them aren't, they don't even know this law exists," said Brian Schoenman, secretary of the elections board in Fairfax County, Va., a Washington, D.C., suburb.

Supporters of the measures, mostly Republican conservatives, contend the ID checks protect against fraudulent voting and thus help build trust in government. Critics see them as a way of discouraging the kind of voters who lack picture IDs and might be more likely to support Democrats.

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled in 2008 that states can require voters to produce photo ID at the polls without violating their constitutional rights. And last year, the high court threw out a key part of the landmark Voting Rights Act, a decision that allowed voter ID laws to take effect in states where voting procedures had been under strict federal oversight for nearly 50 years.

Georgia and Indiana adopted some of the first voter ID laws. This year, in addition to the Texas law, new or stricter photo-identification voting laws take effect in Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, New Hampshire, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, Tennessee and Virginia.

Pennsylvania and Wisconsin have approved similar action, but those measures are on hold because of court challenges. In Mississippi, black lawmakers have asked Attorney General Eric Holder to block their state's law.

When Arkansas held a special legislative election in January, dozens of mail-in absentee votes were thrown out after voters failed to include a copy of their photo ID with their ballot. The Arkansas law, passed over Democratic Gov. Mike Beebe's veto, did not address absentee voting, and the GOP-controlled Legislature is not expected to take it up during the 2014 session.

The law allows voters without photo ID to cast a provisional ballot, but the ballot will not be counted unless they show identification by the Monday after the election.

"This is in no way an effort to suppress any valid vote," said GOP state Rep. Andy Mayberry, who supported the law. "It's a measure to help secure the credibility of our elections."

Arkansas voters will have two important races to decide this year. Sen. Mark Pryor, a Democrat, is expected to face an aggressive challenge from Republican Rep. Tom Cotton. A competitive contest for governor is also unfolding, with Republican former Rep. Asa Hutchinson likely to run against Democrat Mike Ross.

The higher-than-normal turnout expected for the midterm election will only compound the problems that emerged during the January election, according to Craighead County Election Commission Chairman Scott McDaniel, a Democrat.

"I foresee a great number, an unacceptable number of absentee voters to be disenfranchised because of this whole deal, and I don't like it," McDaniel said.

Virginia could be particularly confusing. Majority Republicans enacted a law requiring proof of identification, but no photo, in 2012. Last year, they amended the law to require photo ID to vote but set the effective date for the new law as July 1.

Virginia's primary is June 10, when voters will not be required to present a photo. But in November, they will.

"What I'm worried about is you've got a good number of communities of elderly, and foreign-born citizens who speak different languages," Schoenman said. "And we'll only have four months to get ready."

The state has about 330,000 more registered voters than licensed drivers, which is why minority Democrats last week unsuccessfully sought $250,000 to pay for the photo ID cards voters must have by November.

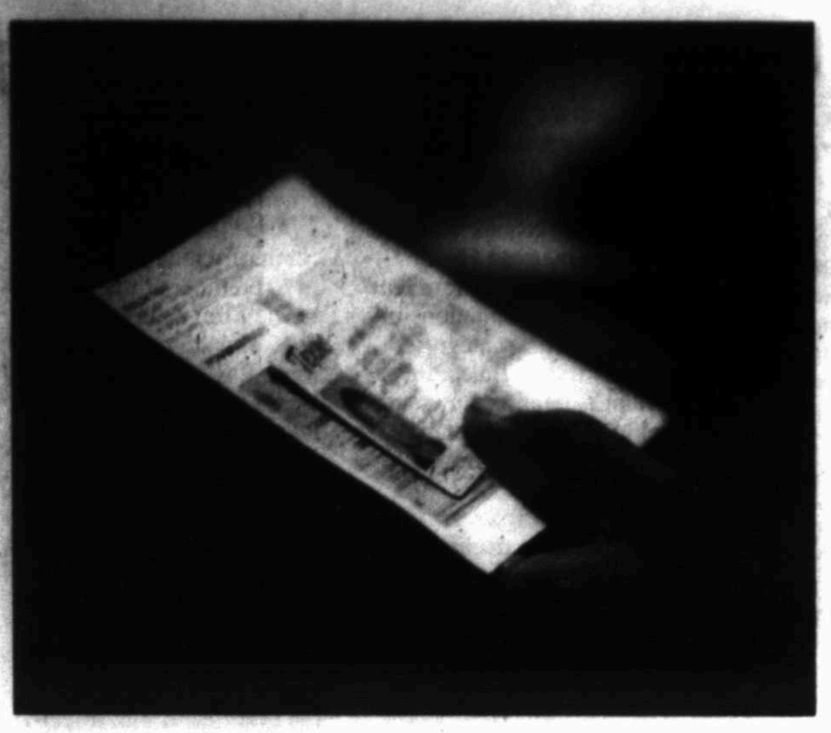
Democrats will be seeking to safeguard every potential vote. Last year's attorney general race was decided by 11 votes. This fall, the Senate seat held by Democrat Mark Warner is on the ballot, and the GOP needs to gain only six seats to claim the majority.

In Texas, as many as 600,000 voters could be prevented from having their ballots counted because of the state's newly enacted photo ID law, according to officials with Battleground Texas, a Democratic-leaning group aimed at helping register new voters.

One third of Texas' 254 counties do not have Department of Public Safety stations that can provide the cards. That means voters without proper identification have to drive more than 200 miles to get a card, provided they have the proper documentation, such as a birth certificate.

Still, state GOP Chairman Steve Munisteri said few problems popped up with the law during last year's election, a low-turnout affair that included constitutional changes but only drew about 10 percent of the electorate.

"The law has already been tested and performed quite well. I see no reason for concern," Munisteri said.



An election official checks a voter's photo identification Wednesday at an early voting polling site in Austin. In elections that begin next week, voters in 10 states will be required to present photo identification before casting ballots — the first major test of voter ID laws after years of legal challenges arguing that the measures are designed to suppress voting.

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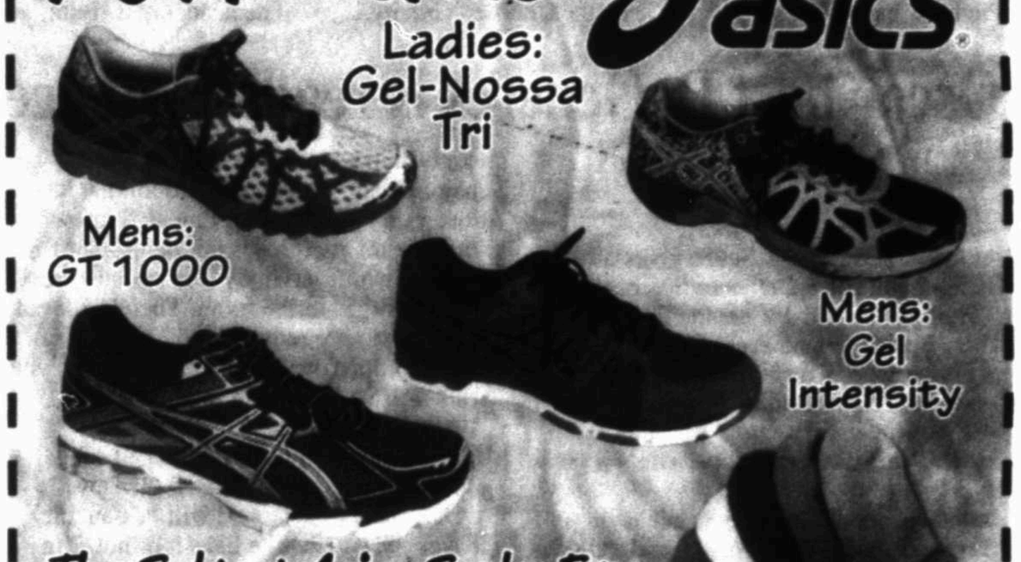
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Oscar horse race to be a photo finish

By Jake Coyle
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Many of the winners who will take home an Oscar on Sunday have long been forecast, their triumph made seemingly self-evident after months of anticipation.

That is, except for one little category: best picture.

Even in a particularly lengthy awards season (the Academy Awards were pushed back slightly for the Olympics), and despite the tireless analysis of an ever-swelling Oscar blogosphere, no one really knows which film is going to take the night's biggest award.

This Oscars, more than any in years, will go down to the wire.

Of the nine best picture nominees, the front-runners are widely considered to be Alfonso Cuaron's 3-D spectacle "Gravity," Steve McQueen's historical odyssey "12 Years a Slave" and David O. Russell's corruption comedy "American Hustle."

The industry guild awards, usually the most predictive honors, have only muddied the waters.

Actors, the largest branch of the Academy of Motion Pictures, have been most enthusiastic for "Hustle." The Screen Actors Guild awarded it their top honor. Just as Russell's "Silver Linings Playbook" did last year, "American Hustle" managed the very rare feat of landing nominations in all four acting categories (for Christian Bale, Amy Adams, Jennifer Lawrence and Bradley Cooper).

Cuaron and "Gravity" won at the Directors Guild. The Producers Guild couldn't even decide: "12 Years a Slave" and "Gravity" tied for its top prize. "12 Years a Slave" also won best picture at the Golden Globes and at Britain's BAFTA Awards.

Is history any guide? Last year, the academy was also faced with a choice between an historical epic centered on slavery ("Lincoln") and a 1970s caper ("Argo") and it went for Ben Affleck's more ebullient option. "American Hustle" shares a lot with "Argo," including its wardrobe.

But this year, the weight of "12 Years a Slave" is suspected to be impossible to deny. The "Gurus o' Gold" poll of Oscar onlookers by film blog Movie City News has nine of 15 analysts predicting McQueen's drama. The others chose "Gravity," which all agree will clean up in technical categories such as visual effects and cinematography.

Awards for either film (both of which premiered in September at the Telluride Film Festival within days of each other) could mean Oscar history. If the Mexican filmmaker Cuaron takes best director, as he's expected to, he'll be the first Latino winner in the category.

Similarly, were the British McQueen to win best director, he'd be the first black filmmaker to win. And if "12 Years a Slave" wins best picture, it will be the first time a film directed by a black filmmaker wins the academy's top honor.

Such landmarks of diversity would be welcome for the academy, whose approximately 6,000 members are overwhelmingly older white men. A 2012 study by The Los Angeles Times found that Oscar voters are almost 94 percent white and 77 percent male. African Americans, the Times found, make up about 2 percent of the academy, and Latinos are less than 2 percent. Voters (who keep membership for life) have a median age of 62.

The academy is trying to change that, and has recently opened up its ranks to hundreds of new members. Sunday's ceremony will be the first for new president, Cheryl Boone Isaacs, the academy's first black president.

So as the make-up of the academy gradually shifts, the awards it picks could, too. This year's best picture race offers stark choices between your big box-office crowd-pleaser ("Gravity"), your hard-to-watch history lesson ("12 Years") and your actors-having-a-ball party ("American Hustle").

Whichever film wins will crown not just a razor-thin race (Harvey Weinstein has called it "the most competitive season I've ever seen"), but a particularly strong best-picture field in a year roundly hailed as an excellent one for movies.

Also nominated is Spike Jonze's futuristic romance "Her," Alexander Payne's black-and-white road trip "Nebraska," Martin Scorsese's financial meltdown "The Wolf of Wall Street," the Texas AIDS drama "Dallas Buyers Club" and the family history investigation "Philomena."

It's only fitting that a movie year so full of drama should end as a nail-biter.



AP Photo

This film image released by Sony Pictures shows, from left, Amy Adams, Bradley Cooper, Jeremy Renner, Christian Bale and Jennifer Lawrence in a scene from "American Hustle." This year's best picture race at the 86th Academy Awards today, has shaped up to be one of the most unpredictable in years.

Oscar host DeGeneres is ready to dance

By Mike Cidoni Lennox
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Seven years after her Oscar debut, Ellen DeGeneres is back.

The 56-year-old TV personality talked with The Associated Press about her plans and preparations for hosting her second Academy Awards today.

AP: What did it take for you to say yes again?

DeGeneres: "It took my agent saying, 'Yes, you should do it.' And I said, 'OK.' Look, it's the greatest gig in the world. And it's also really, really hard. So, I wasn't going to do it, because I've done it before. And I thought, 'I don't need to do that again.' And then I realized I'm too comfortable and too complacent and I should scare myself and take a chance. So here I am, scaring myself and taking a chance."

AP: Describe the fear element of the job.

DeGeneres: "It's live around the world, to a billion people watching, and every major person who is in the room that has done every major thing. I mean, I know a lot of them. So, it helps a little bit that I'm friendly with everybody. But it's still scary. It's the energy in the room. There's a lot of really anxious energy and, so, you kind of pick that up. You can feel all that when you walk out. So I'm trying to remain calm."

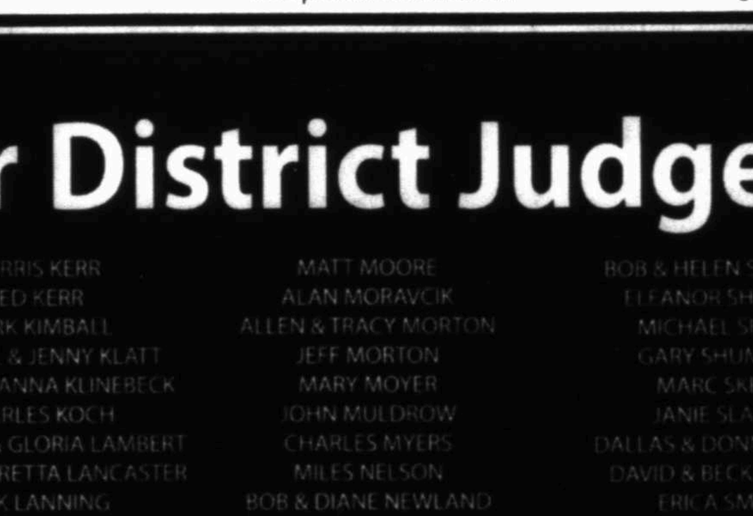
AP: How will you be able to resist dancing along with the nominated songs, especially Pharrell Williams' "Happy"?

DeGeneres: "I know. I will be dancing like crazy, whether he likes it or not. I'm just looking forward to the hat he wears. And I hope that the person (sitting) behind him isn't mad, because he wears a large hat, that Pharrell."

AP: What's your ultimate goal for Oscar night?

DeGeneres: "I hope that everyone had fun. I hope that it didn't seem like it's as long as it's going to be. This year it's six hours. Did you know that? Six hours ..."

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Latest first-class perk: Safe distance from the masses

By Scott Mayerowitz
Associated Press

NEW YORK — On flights from San Francisco to Hong Kong, first-class passengers can enjoy a Mesclun salad with king crab or a grilled USDA prime beef tenderloin, stretch out in a 3-foot-wide seat that converts to a bed and wash it all down with a pre-slumber Krug "Grande Cuvee" Brut Champagne.

Yet some of the most cherished new international first-class perks have nothing to do with meals, drinks or seats. Global airlines are increasingly rewarding wealthy fliers with something more intangible: physical distance between them and everyone else.

The idea is to provide an exclusive experience — inaccessible, even invisible, to the masses in coach. It's one way that a gap between the world's wealthiest 1 percent and everyone else has widened.

Many top-paying international passengers, having put down roughly $15,000 for a ticket, now check-in at secluded facilities and are driven in luxury cars directly to planes. Others can savor the same premier privileges by redeeming 125,000 or more frequent flier miles for a trip of a lifetime.

When Emirates Airline opened a new concourse at its home airport in Dubai last year, it made sure to keep coach passengers separate from those in business and first class. The top floor of the building is a lounge for premium passengers with direct boarding to the upstairs of Emirates' fleet of double-decker Airbus A380s. Those in coach wait one story below and board to the lower level of the plane.

London's Heathrow Airport took a private suite area designed for the royal family and heads of state and in July opened it to any passenger flying business or first class who's willing to pay an extra $2,500.

"First class has become a way for a traveler to have an almost private jet-like experience," said Henry Harteveldt, an airline analyst with Hudson Crossing. Airlines "will do everything but sing a lullaby."

The front of the plane has always been plusher than the back. But in recent years airlines have put a greater focus on catering to the most affluent fliers' desire for new levels of privacy.

There's a lot of money on the line. At big carriers such as American Airlines, about 70 percent of revenue comes from the top 20 percent of its customers.

The special treatment now starts at check-in. American and United Airlines have both developed private rooms, located in discrete corners of their terminals in New York, Chicago and elsewhere, that allow for a speedy check-in. Boarding passes in hand, travelers exit through hidden doors leading to the front of security lines.

Some foreign airlines have gone further.

Lufthansa offers first-class passengers a separate terminal in Frankfurt. There's a restaurant, cigar lounge and dedicated immigration officers. For those who choose to shower or take a bath, the private restrooms come with their own rubber ducky — an exclusive plastic souvenir for the international jet set. When it's time to board, passengers are driven across the tarmac to their plane in a Mercedes-Benz S-Class or Porsche Cayenne.

"That sort of exclusivity plays to the ego of people who are in a position to spend that much money on airline flight," said Tim Winship, publisher of travel advice site FrequentFlier.com.

At Heathrow's private suites, designed for up to six people, fliers pass swiftly and privately through their own immigration and security screening. While they're waiting, hors d'oeuvres and Champagne are provided. Steak, sushi or other meals can be delivered from airport restaurants. When it comes time to actually fly, passengers are driven to their plane in a BMW 7 Series sedan and escorted to their seat.

U.S. airlines have copied a bit of that touch. United started in July and Delta Air Lines in 2011 driving their top customers who have tight connections at major airports from one gate to another in luxury cars. No need to enter the terminal, let alone fight the crowd on the moving walkway.

Want to board first? No problem. Want to be the last one seated, moments before the door closes? Sure. Airlines will even save room for your bags in the overhead bin.

International first class has long been distinguished by gourmet meals, wide seats and giant TVs preloaded with hundreds of movies and TV shows. But in recent years, airlines also upgraded their international business class sections, ripping apart cabins to install chairs that convert into lay-flat beds. That left very little to differentiate first class from business class.

So some airlines scrapped the ultra-premium cabin. Others have cut the number of first-class seats in half, thereby creating a more intimate experience that commands the higher price. For instance, a roundtrip flight in July between New York and Hong Kong on Cathay Pacific costs $1,600 in coach, $7,600 in business class and $19,000 in first class. Other airlines charge similar price differences among their passenger classes.

Besides privacy, that extra cash provides an outsize seat, attentive service and superior wines and liquors. Austrian Airlines, Etihad Airways and Gulf Air are among the carriers to staff planes with their own first-class chefs. Instead of having flight attendants reheating meals cooked on the ground, these chefs prepare the meals at 35,000 feet.

Sometimes, that smell wafts back to the rest of the plane.

"You know they've got something good up in front of the curtain, and you know you don't have anything close to it," Harteveldt said. "When you fly coach, you are reminded of the fact that you are unimportant as a traveler."

In the ultimate show of indulgence, Emirates has offered an onboard shower for first class passengers on its A380s since the plane joined the fleet in 2008.

Once back on the ground, that luxury treatment continues. At airports in Paris, London, Istanbul, Bangkok, Sydney and elsewhere, airlines offer their top passengers fast-track cards allowing them to speed past immigration lines.

And then, while other passengers wait in lines for buses, taxis or shuttles, chauffeurs in suits meet these fliers ready to — once again — whisk them out of the chaos.



AP file photo

This combination of Associated Press file photos shows, on the left, a first class interior section of a United Airlines 747 plane at San Francisco International Airport in San Francisco in 2011, and on the right, the coach interior section of a JetBlue E190 plane at Seatac International Airport in Seattle, in 2008. Henry Harteveldt, an airline analyst with Hudson Crossing said: "First class has become a way for a traveler to have an almost private jet-like experience."

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New colon cancer tests helpful, but colonoscopy still the best

By Mackenzie Carpenter
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

PITTSBURGH — Of all of life's necessary indignities, perhaps none is more dreaded — and avoided — than a colonoscopy to screen for early signs of colorectal cancer, the second most common cancer-related cause of death in the U.S.

It doesn't have to be, because colon cancers can be caught early — but many people are reluctant to undergo a time-consuming colonoscopy, which requires a day of cleansing the bowels and, then under partial anesthesia, submitting to a tube, called a colonoscope, that is moved up through the large intestine.

Researchers have been working to come up with alternatives, but even two new screening procedures won't serve as a viable substitute for the time-tested colonoscopy, which has a 98 percent success rate at detecting cancer, according to two Pittsburgh experts.

First, the Food and Drug Administration recently approved a new method of "capsule colonoscopy," using a camera inside a capsule that a patient swallows. It then moves through the entire colon, taking pictures that are uploaded to a computer for medical staff to examine for abnormalities.

Second, there's a new study that touts the benefits of a recently developed at-home, mail-in test that uses a stool sample to detect up to 79 percent of colon cancers.

So-called capsule cameras are already used for endoscopies — in the upper end of the digestive tract — and in the small bowel, but their batteries never lasted long enough to go through the entire length of the colon.

The new colonoscopy capsule changes that, but Paul Lebovitz, a gastroenterologist at Allegheny General West Penn Health System, remains skeptical.

The disposable camera capsule, for example, "is not directive. When you use a regular camera probe, you can stop, take a picture, or go back and look closely. The camera capsule is a lot less invasive, and that's a benefit, but it's unlikely to be as sensitive."

And if the camera does pick up on something, the patient must then come back anyway for a colonoscopy and biopsy to have the growth — called a polyp — removed. Almost all colorectal cancers begin as a small polyp, and if found and removed early, the cancer is eliminated.

It's unlikely the procedure will be covered by insurers immediately, he said, until more research is done.

The capsule's manufacturers said they are working on technology that would enable removal of a polyp or a cancerous tumor in sequence with the procedure, but for now, capsule colonoscopies "will only help visualize what's going on," added Edward Chu, a deputy director of the University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute who has done extensive research into colon cancer. "You still have to go in to confirm whether a growth is abnormal or not and do a biopsy."

Capsule endoscopies, and virtual colonoscopies have been in use for several years, and they might be useful in getting an individual comfortable with the idea of screening, "but I would say the colonoscopy still remains the gold standard for early detection. And for colon cancer, if you can detect it early in the form of a polyp, there's a 95 percent cure rate."

People at normal risk for colorectal cancer, usually those over age 50, are urged to be screened regularly until age 75, although nearly a third of American adults over age 50 have not had the tests done, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Chu noted that the reluctance to undergo colonoscopies is more pronounced among women, who might be focused more on breast cancer, even though they are at equal risk with men for cancer of the colon.

What of the new stool sample test, known as a fecal immunochemical test or "FIT"? It detects DNA mutations by employing specific antibodies that bind the human blood in a patient's stool. A study published in the Annals of Internal Medicine found that those tests detected colorectal cancer 79 percent of the time. A previous test, the fecal occult blood test, was far less sensitive and required three consecutive samples instead of one.

The FIT tests are beginning to be covered by the insurance industry as part of a regular screening for patients over age 50 at their annual physical.

"The attractive piece for this is a noninvasive approach to look at DNA genes that get mutated when cancer develops," Chu said. "One still has to go in and do a colonoscopy to look at where the tumor is located. It's not definitive and it can't identify the specific location, but it's a good test for initial screening."

Still, while the FIT has picked up cancers 79 percent of the time, "what about the other 21 percent?" asked Lebovitz, noting that other screenings besides colonoscopy now available include CAT scans, flexible sigmoidoscopies — which survey less terrain — and virtual colonography, which uses computers and X-rays to look inside the bowels.

Despite the FIT's limitations, it has its uses, he said.

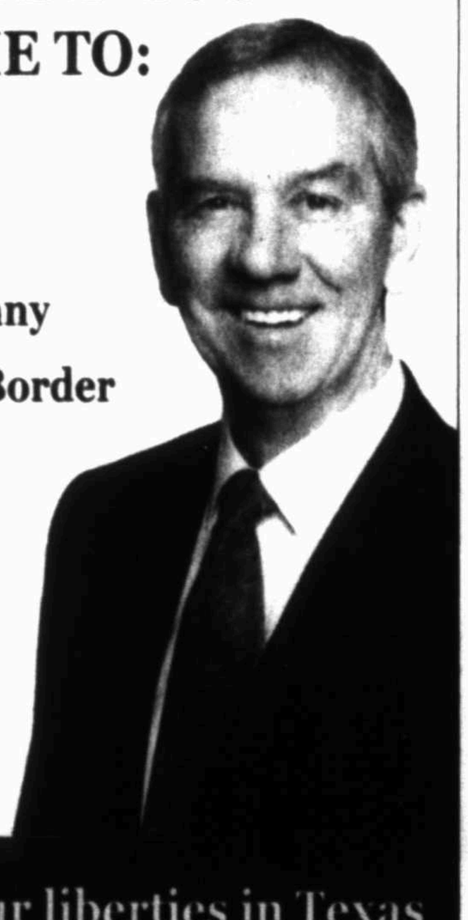
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Railroad Commission seen as stepping-stone

Many candidates running for position say they aren't eyeing any higher office

By Tim Eaton
Cox Newspapers

AUSTIN — The oft-overlooked race to be a member of the Texas Railroad Commission, which regulates the state's oil and gas industry (but not railroads), is more significant than it might seem.

With Republican Commissioner Barry Smitherman leaving his post to run for attorney general, the office that historically has been a stepping-stone to more influential statewide positions, is up for grabs.

Four Republicans and two Democrats are running in Tuesday's primaries to become the next railroad commissioner. The winner of the November general election will take a seat alongside Republican commissioners Christi Craddick and David Porter.

Texas Education Commissioner Michael Williams, who once served as chairman of the Railroad Commission and was elected three times after being appointed to the commission by then-Gov. George W. Bush in 1998, called the Railroad Commission "the premier energy agency in the country if not in the world."

With oversight over the nation's No. 1 oil and gas industry, the commission also regulates the largest array of pipelines in the U.S., sets natural gas rates and works daily to balance the production of energy and environmental concerns, Williams said.

Williams left the office to make an unsuccessful congressional run in 2012 before being named head of the education agency by Gov. Rick Perry.

Other Railroad Commission alumni who went onto bigger things include: Kent Hance, the outgoing chancellor of the Texas Tech University System and former member of Congress; Bob Krueger, a former U.S. ambassador to Burundi and a former U.S. senator; John Sharp, former Texas comptroller and current chancellor of the Texas A&M University System; Tony Garza, former ambassador to Mexico; and Carole McClellan, who went on to be Texas comptroller.

With an open seat this year, the commission could again become a launching pad, said Cal Jillson, a political science professor at Southern Methodist University.

"The person who is successful is going to be around for a number years," Jillson said. "Voters should recognize that they are not just inviting these guys to dinner.

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KEY COMPARISONS



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A candidate forum was held Feb. 11 at Javi's Mexican Restaurant. Candidates from left, Billy Johnson, running for his current seat as Precinct 3 justice of the peace; Kathy Reeves, running for county judge; Karen Hood, interim tax assessor-collector is running for a permanent position as tax assessor-collector; Mike Canon, former Midland mayor is running for state senate District 31; Susan Rayos is running for Precinct 3 justice of the peace; and Manny Natividad running for tax assessor-collector.

Candidates for GOP primary races are compared

By Joseph Basco
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Midland County judge

The differences between county judge candidates Mike Bradford and Kathy Reeves have all been about their philosophies on the $72.6 million county budget.

Bradford, who has been county judge since 2007 and was Precinct 2 commissioner from 1999-2006, is for the status quo. Reeves, who served as tax assessor-collector from 1992 until Dec. 9, favors prioritizing roads and public safety.

The winner of the primary on Tuesday will be county judge from 2015-18 because there won't be a Democratic challenger in November.

Horseshoe expansion and operating costs

Reeves made it clear inside the Horseshoe itself during a forum that she was opposed to the arena's $24.5 million expansion that was happening next door. Reeves said she would have put the money toward road improvements, while Bradford said the expansion was paid for by sales tax. He said the expansion would help accommodate the overwhelming demand for event dates because numerous events have been turned down. He also mentioned how the county is spending $40 million to pave all county roads.

Reeves is opposed to using hotel and motel tax to pay for some of the Horseshoe's operating costs because she believes the revenue stream has peaked. Bradford contends that the Horseshoe generates about $8 million in economic activity every year — activity that includes dining in nearby restaurants or staying in neighboring hotels.

Reserve funds

Reeves said the $66 million in reserve funds that the county has is excessive. She said during the campaign that a proper reserve fund should keep the county afloat for about four to six months. She estimates this to be about $28 million.

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Tax assessor-collector winner to start term in 2015



Hood



Natividad

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Regardless of who wins the tax assessor-collector race, the office holder currently serving will continue to do so until Jan. 1.

Interim Tax Assessor-Collector Karen Hood will remain in her position through the end of the year, whether or not she wins. If tax assessor-collector candidate Manny Natividad wins, he must wait until the new year to serve his term, said County Commissioner Luis Sanchez.

Tax assessor-collectors serve four-year terms.

Hood is serving the remainder of former Tax Assessor-Collector Kathy Reeves' sixth term.

Sanchez, who represents Precinct 3, said the winner would still have to go through the general election in November and then continue waiting through the end of the year before being placed in a permanent position on Jan. 1.

The only way a replacement could serve the remainder Hood's term is if she chooses to resign, Sanchez said. County commissioners could then choose an interim replacement, who may not necessarily be Natividad, County Attorney Russell Malm previously said.

Hood was appointed to the interim position on Dec. 16 during a special Commissioners' Court meeting.

Commissioners initially were going to appoint Natividad to the interim position on Dec. 9 until they found out he was going to run for the position in the Republican primary.

Natividad was fired from his assistant chief deputy position in December after not showing up for work. He claimed he had vacation scheduled for the days he did not come in.

Chief Deputy Terry Burge resigned weeks later because she disagreed with Natividad's firing.

During the Commissioners' Court meeting on Jan. 13, the

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KEN HERMAN
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Reasons why you should vote on Tuesday

Primary day approacheth. The outcomes, of course, already are decided. We don't know what they are, but history tells us votes cast Tuesday merely will confirm decisions made by the folks who cast ballots during the early voting period that ended Friday.

For example, in winning re-election in 2010, Gov. Rick Perry got 56.8 percent of the early vote and 55 percent of the total vote. Challenger Bill White got 40.7 percent of the early vote and 42.3 percent of the total vote. It was the same in all top statewide races, with the early vote outcomes within a few percentage points of the total vote.

All this means is that early voting is a large enough sample to produce statistically significant results. It actually would be more shocking if the votes cast on an election day produced much of a different outcome.

Here's some of what I'll be watching for when votes are counted.

The big show is the four-way race for the GOP lieutenant governor nomination featuring incumbent David Dewhurst against Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson, Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples and state Sen. Dan Patrick, of Houston. A Dewhurst-Patrick runoff seems a smart bet.

One way or another, the GOP battle could end three political careers, with the survivor moving on as heavy favorite to beat Democratic state Sen. Leticia Van de Putte, of San Antonio, in November for the right to preside in the state Senate when it convenes in January.

The GOP battle is mostly one of style. There's not much policy difference among the four men, and the type of legislation the 2015 Senate will pass probably would be about the same under each of them. But this race could be a litmus test in the wake of Dewhurst's surprise 2012 loss to tea party favorite Ted Cruz in the U.S. Senate race.

Thanks to upward mobility availability caused by Perry's decision not to seek re-election, we've got the greatest of GOP statewide intramural battles in Texas history, including for nominations for attorney general, comptroller and agriculture commissioner. George P. Bush will win the land commissioner nomination.

Primary night's best fun could come in both party's battles for the nomination to be atop the November ticket as U.S. Senate nominee.

On the GOP side, two-term incumbent John Cornyn's a heavy favorite. But challenger U.S. Rep. Steve Stockman, an oddity of a politician from Friendswood, wants Repubs to believe Cornyn is dangerously moderate. And there's a six-pack of even lesser-knowns in the GOP field. Anything less than a Cornyn win without a runoff would be a huge

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Tea party hangover leaves GOP up for grabs

■ What's the game plan for the Republican Party to reach Americans who haven't voted Republican before



MICHAEL GERSON
Washington Post Writers Group

The evidence accumulates that the Republican Party is sobering up — cotton-mouthed and slightly disoriented — from its recent ideological bender.

The tone of some rhetoric on the far right — no mercy to enemies, no enemies to the right — was pressed to an abhorrent extreme by Ted Nugent, who called President Obama a "subhuman mongrel." And almost all of the right (save Sarah Palin, who finally lost her long, sad struggle with ideological delirium) recoiled at such viciousness and bigotry.

No political movement can persuade a great democracy without displaying measure of democratic grace. And any ideological movement that claims to be inspired by faith and morality is discredited by language that dehumanizes its opponents.

This sobering up also proceeds on matters of political strategy. The serious prospect that the GOP might gain control of the Senate has highlighted the fact that many tea party leaders and groups view this goal as irrelevant. Their objective is not to elect the acceptable; it is to weed out the heretical. So Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas — having previously pledged not to fundraise for a similar group — raises money for the Madison Project, which seeks to defeat Minority Leader Mitch McConnell in his upcoming primary. Cruz's representative claims it reflects "a previous fundraising agreement." It looks more like strategic incoherence and political duplicity. Thomas Sowell, not a conservative violet known for shrinking, notes "disquieting signs" that Ted Cruz is "looking out for Ted Cruz — even if that sets back the causes he claims to be serving."

Cruz has made one completely unintended contribution to the fortunes of his party. It is likely that Republicans will look back on the 16-day government shutdown he forced last October as a liberating loss. The tea party coalition that rose to prominence in the 2010 election got precisely what it wanted and demanded. It promised wonderful things to follow. The outcome? Republicans of every ideological stripe have run in horror from every subsequent budget confrontation. The shutdown was either a random yelp of protest or a fundraising stunt for tea party groups. But it could claim no credible, positive relationship to the electoral prospects of the GOP.

Political movements that regard winning as a distraction tend not to win, and eventually alienate the political parties they inhabit. Following the shutdown, Republican leaders immediately seemed less intimidated by the purity caucus. ("They've lost all credibility," said House Speaker John Boehner of tea party groups.) The U.S. Chamber of Commerce and a number of Republican donors resolved to aid electable Republicans in primaries. Tea party challenges have fizzled in Kentucky and Texas. They are fading in Kansas, Tennessee and South Carolina. And even in Mississippi — where Sen. Thad Cochran is a vulnerable incumbent — the tea party insurgent struggles to explain his recent skeptical reaction when asked about Katrina relief funding. There are few libertarians after hurricanes.

Tea party leaders are now trying to downplay political expectations — which isn't an easy adjustment for a revolution. Yet it would be easy for the GOP to draw the wrong lessons from these developments. This is not the triumph of corporate or country club Republicanism. A plurality of Republicans in primaries still identify with the tea party movement. The populist reaction against President Obama's governing vision of regulation, centralization and mandates is a source of GOP strength, and one reason Senate control may be within GOP reach.

There is no "establishment" plotting a Cavalier restoration in the drawing rooms of the capital. Republicans are sorting through what kind of populists they hope to be. Do they want to be identified with the tactics of Ted Cruz? Or do they want to give the populist backlash Obama has provoked a positive governing purpose on issues from health care to education to economic mobility?

Post-Obamacare liberalism is in a state of disrepair, having alienated growing numbers of political independents. But on the national level, the GOP needs to appeal to many Americans who haven't voted Republican in a while and who find the party itself a bit scary. While the 2016 Republican field remains shapeless, it is increasingly obvious what kind of nominee is needed. He or she will need to capture the populist impulse, without being discredited by its excesses.

OUR VIEW

It's time for Davis to bring her campaign to Midland

Greg Abbott made another appearance to Midland. That's three since he announced he's running for governor. We understand why the attorney general makes Midland a constant stop on the tour of Texas. Certainly, in February he's not trying to get the troops fired up. There is money to be raised. Still, he's been to Midland, a place where Republicans churn out 75 to 80 percent of the general election vote, three times in a few months.

And when you compare the number of his visits versus the number by Democrat Wendy Davis, the scorecard reads: Abbott 3, Davis 0.

This is odd, but not because of the reason you might think. Davis told Texans she was not going to be a typical candidate. Davis supposedly offers a different choice. She wasn't just a candidate for the base, at least that is what she inferred.

And besides, what kind of candidate runs for governor of the great state of Texas but won't visit the center of the oil patch — early, late and often in a campaign. The oil business is putting Texas in the black. And leaders in the oil industry need to hear from those seeking the state's highest office — from both parties.

Still, it appears Davis will follow the same tired Democratic playbook. Don't go to Midland. Maybe Odessa but not into the belly of the beast. Don't give Democrats in Midland a reason to be excited. If Democrats want to hear her message they will have to travel — it might be Odessa, but they are going to need to travel.

When the presidential primary came through Texas in 2008, Barack Obama didn't stop in West Texas. Bill Clinton, campaigning for his wife, appeared in Odessa. Candidates for governor don't have a record that's much better. Bill White came to Midland in 2010, but he is the exception, not the rule. So what is it going to be, Wendy Davis? A call to her campaign on Friday wasn't returned.

There's going to be some who believe this newspaper is making a big deal about nothing or has put its best GOP face forward. We ask what does it say about the Democratic Party's view of its voters in Texas that its leaders avoid Midland?

If Davis comes to Midland, this newspaper will be there to clarify her record on the issues Democrats believe are distorted — abortion, gun control, education, taxes, on attempts by those wanting to turn Texas purple and then red. Wendy Davis, we have heard, has a chance to be a game-changer for Democrats in Texas. We, like many in Midland, would like to see for ourselves.

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THINGS NOBODY HAS EVER SAID

Is Cruz or his party out of control?

■ The Texan says an all-out retreat does Republicans no favors



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What you think of Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, depends on who you believe. Is the freshman senator on an "ego trip," putting himself before country (Dana Milbank, The Washington Post), or is he standing on his principles (Cruz's conservative supporters)?

ABC chief White House correspondent Jonathan Karl says Cruz is "so hated" among GOP senators that "he's going to need a food taster."

In a telephone interview with me, Cruz acknowledges he would not win a "Mr. Congeniality" contest if it were up to the Republican leadership in the Senate, but contends that they and some of his colleagues are out of touch with the will of the people: "The reaction in Washington is the polar opposite of the reaction outside Washington," he says. "People across the country are frustrated that so many elected officials in Washington are not listening and ignoring the concerns of the people."

I ask him about his controversial move last week to change Senate rules by requiring 60 votes to pass the debt ceiling increase, instead of a 51-vote majority. Cruz responded, "...there is no universe in which I would be willing to consent to allow (majority leader) Harry Reid to raise the debt ceiling with no spending reforms on only 51 votes. The reaction from a significant number of my colleagues was considerable anger and dismay."

Cruz rejects the notion that a vote against raising the debt ceiling would have produced another government shutdown, favoring Democrats. He points to history: "The last 55 times the debt ceiling has been raised, Congress attached significant conditions to it 28 times. Virtually every major spending restraint Congress has passed has come through the debt ceiling." As two examples, he cites the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings Balanced Budget Act — which, according to its co-author, former Texas Sen. Phil Gramm, was "the first binding constraint imposed on federal spending" — and last year's Budget Control Act, nicknamed "sequestration."

How does Cruz expect to get the reforms he wants without a Republican Senate majority, not to mention a Republican president?

"We have the same number of votes we had when we got the Budget Control Act," he maintains. "If we had stood together and voted no, we could have blocked this from happening. ... We would (then have sat) down and negotiated a resolution, a compromise, with some meaningful spending restraints."

What about the Republican and larger Washington establishment and the tea party? The prevailing wisdom is that the tea party harms incumbents, replacing them with conservative purists, who then lose the general election.

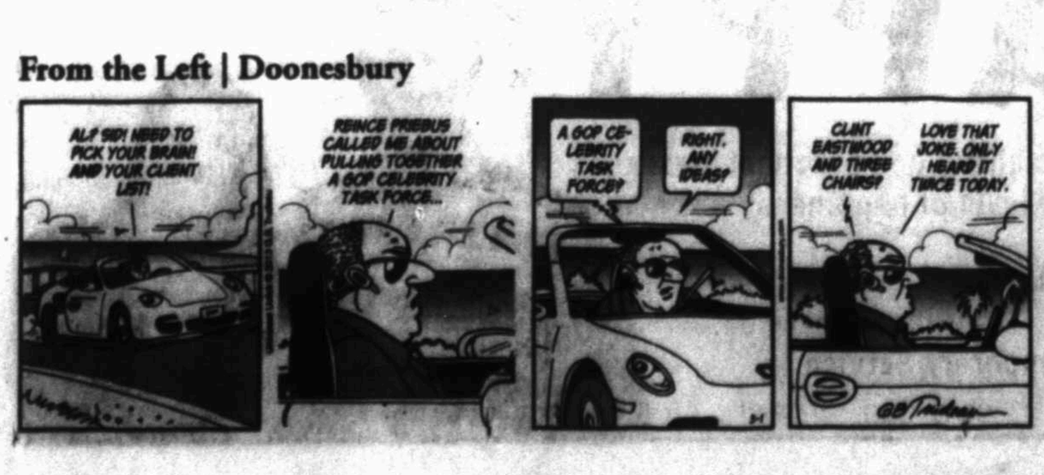
Not true, says Cruz. While acknowledging that tea party candidates Christine O'Donnell, Delaware, and Sharon Engle, Nevada, lost to Democrats in 2010 races that stronger candidates might have won, Cruz says the overall record of tea party candidates is far better than the establishment's record. He cites Florida, where Marco Rubio beat Charlie Crist in a primary despite Crist's support from the GOP establishment. Cruz says Rubio was the right candidate given Crist's post-election switch to the Democrats. Crist is now running for governor as a Democrat.

Cruz offers other examples in which tea party candidates won over hand-picked establishment candidates: Pat Toomey over Arlen Specter in Pennsylvania; Mike Lee over Robert Bennett in Utah; Rand Paul over Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell's candidate, Trey Grayson, in Kentucky. He might add himself to that list. "Every one of these," he says, "was elected by the tea party against huge opposition from the establishment and all of their money."

Can promoting such candidates win back the Senate for Republicans in November? Cruz says, "Many of the critics are saying the path to victory in November is for Republicans to put their heads down, don't rock the boat, don't take any stands. ... I think history has proven that that is a consistent path to failure. The way to win in November is for Republicans to take principled stands. ... That doesn't mean we need to fight on everything. You pick your battles. ... When Washington politicians retreat on every issue, it demoralizes grassroots conservative activists who are the key to winning in November."

Given the results of the last two presidential elections and their own poor record, the GOP establishment may want to put themselves on "Cruz control."

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Congress

Conaway is one of few who deserves re-election

Most politicians are crooked. Some are a little crooked, and some should be serving life sentences. None of them tell the voters the truth about how they feel or how they will vote on a particular question. Sometimes, to keep from throwing up in the voting booth you have to search for something positive about a candidate so you don't have to leave a blank space on your ballot.

Mike Conaway is running for re-election to the Congress. Conaway is one of the few who deserves another term. You don't have to hold your nose or feel ashamed if you vote for Mike. He serves as chairman of the House Ethics Committee. Recently, when a Republican congressman from Florida was caught buying drugs from an undercover police officer in Washington, Conaway very quietly did his job and convinced the congressman to resign rather than go through a long and ugly removal process. No mess; no destruction. He just did his job.

If all the candidates at the national, state and local levels behaved with the same integrity, morals and ethics that Mike Conaway does, we could all get back to work making our country great again.

Conrad Turner, Odessa

State Senate

Canon will stand up for conservative ideals

For those of you who know me, you know I don't venture much into the political scene. But in the last decade or so I've taken a keener interest in what is happening around us. Now that the local and state elections are around the corner, I searched the Internet to see how the incumbents have represented me and what the challengers are bringing to the table. One race that caught my attention is the Texas Senate race for our district. Without getting into any details, the information I found in our current senator's voting record was very disappointing, and I sense that if you knew the decisions that were made on your behalf, many of you would probably feel the same way.

Bottom line: I encourage you to do your own research, and hopefully you will join me in supporting Mike Canon in his bid for the Texas Senate. Canon will better represent West Texas by standing up for conservative West Texas ideals and by being more knowledgeable of the issues confronting the oil and gas industry.

Sal Pagano

Canon won't do 'business as usual'

According to a June 7, 2013, article "Texas Goes Sacrament" in The Wall Street Journal, the latest budget state Sen. Kel Seliger approved increased spending by a whopping 26 percent. According to Seliger's website, government spending grew less than population, plus inflation (roughly 8 percent, not 26 percent) in this same period.

Which is the truth?

It depends on whether you keep records like the government or the real world. The WSJ article compared the cash amount Seliger appropriated, $106 billion, to the amount appropriated from the previous session, $84 billion — hence a 26 percent increase.

Seliger, on the other hand, cites government accounting, which turns an actual $22 billion increase into a more reasonable $7 billion increase by various devices, including spreading around the cash appropriated during 2013 to different periods.

Business leaders might go to jail if they tried this.

This is business as usual in Austin and what longtime incumbents have done for years. But it is not real life; it does not serve citizens. It is our job to say "enough" and vote in new people when we don't like business as usual. Please vote for Mike Canon — a Midlander with a lot of common sense.

Nick Taylor

Canon has record of service to others

Rather than dwell on the negatives of the current state senator, my wife, Susan, and I want to express our support for Mike Canon in his race for the position.

Mike has a well-known history of service and concern for the people of West Texas. His entire career in public office has always been one of service to others, and we feel that his core values are what we need in Austin at this time. Mike has always been a man of ethical values in every aspect of his life. He has based his political career on what he can do for others and how he can best serve those he represents. That is exactly what we need in Austin right now: a person who knows the businessman, knows the individual and listens to what his constituents need. Mike will go to Austin with one goal in mind: doing what is best for West Texas and the Panhandle.

We urge you to vote for Mike Canon for state senator, District 31.

Dee Carter

Canon is true fiscal conservative

I support Mike Canon as Republican nominee for Texas Senate District 31 because Mike is a true fiscal conservative.

Texans for Fiscal Responsibility 2013 Index gives Mike's opponent, Kel Seliger, a failing grade of 52.3. He has the second worst record of any Republican in the Texas Senate.

In comparison, Texans for Fiscal Responsibility gave Rep. Ken Paxton, Texas attorney general candidate, a rating of 100 and Rep. Dan Patrick, lieutenant governor candidate, a 93.9.

We need to support Mike Canon, who will vote for the citizens of Senate District 31.

Tammy McComic

County Judge

Reeves knows issues, complex workings of county

There is only one choice for county judge: Kathy Reeves. Why? Because she cares for you, the voters of Midland County. Kathy firmly believes in the rule of the people and that elected officials are in office to truly represent their constituents. When she is judge, your phone calls and emails will be answered. You will be able to vote on important as well as costly issues. Won't it be nice to once again help to decide how your taxpayer dollars will be spent?

And she knows the issues, as well as the complexities of the workings of the county.

I can verify this because I have known and talked with Kathy for many years. She is no bureaucrat but a person who truly has the welfare of the county and its many citizens in mind. She has the knowledge and experience to lead.

A vote for Kathy Reeves for county judge is a vote for yourself.

Pat Schneider

Bradford is optimistic about county's future

As a practicing pediatrician in Midland for 27 years, I have witnessed a tremendous increase in the number of children/youth in Midland County. Twenty-seven percent of the population of Midland County is now under the age of 18.

The Horseshoe Arena was built because of the forward-thinking of County Judge Mike Bradford. This venue has provided the youth of the county a first-class facility for livestock shows, a rejuvenated county fair, opportunities to attend historical and cultural events, live music concerts, equine events and educational events in a safe and clean environment.

Under his leadership the new Centennial branch library now offers cutting-edge technology, interactive exhibits and opportunities for youth to research in ways never before available in our county.

Judge Bradford is a visionary who is optimistic about the future of Midland County. He is a person who adeptly melds the spirit of individuality, characteristic of West Texans, with the need to change with the times. I will be voting for Judge Bradford to continue his good work for the citizens of Midland County.

Dr. Samuel N. Macferran Jr.

It's time for new leadership for county

I support Kathy Reeves for county judge.

Three reasons I believe new leadership is needed:

- The $24 million expansion of the Horseshoe should have been presented to the community to be voted and approved by the taxpayers of Midland County.
- With the increase of traffic throughout Midland County over the past several years, additional revenue generated by oil and gas ad valorem taxes should have been used for paving and repairing county roads widely used by oilfield service trucks as a priority over non-essential county projects.
- The recent appointment of an interim county tax assessor/collector and the ensuing drama that occurred thereafter call into question the commissioners' management abilities and the leadership skills of the county judge charged with the orderly direction of county affairs.

It's time for new leadership. Vote for Kathy Reeves.

Kevin Sparks

Reeves provides return to accountability

Mike Bradford brags about allocating $40 million to repair crumbling roads. Folks outside of the city limits have witnessed the neglect of repair and maintenance throughout Bradford's terms as Precinct 2 commissioner and county judge. Also the 40 percent reduction in the tax rate makes little difference with today's high property appraisals.

Voters have some questions about Bradford's actions while in office. How did he get around the clause that stated that the property donated to the county was only to be used for a county courthouse? Why did Bradford feel it necessary to refund half of the $2.2 million back to the city? Kathy Reeves has stated that $14 million is sufficient for county reserves; however, Bradford has $66 million.

Extra cash reserves and certificates of obligation have been used by Bradford to bypass the voters when making multi-million dollar decisions for pet projects.

In the past, Bradford has been able to stay in office because of the lack of a credible challenger. Now voters have the opportunity to return to responsibility and accountability by electing Kathy Reeves!

Bruce D. McNeill

Bradford provided amenities that make Midland proud

Midland needs more forward-thinking leaders like Mike Bradford. It was his perseverance that led to the Horseshoe Arena and new county library. The Horseshoe has brought a great variety of new events to Midland and is solidly booked well into the future. The library has state-of-the-art interactive activities for children and 10,000 new members. The expansion of the Horseshoe will bring an even greater variety of events to the area.

My wife, Emily, and I have my three daughters who were involved in the Southwest Hunter-Jumper Association for many years. Their shows took place in Lubbock, Odessa, Carlsbad, Roswell and Amarillo because there was no facility in Midland. What a shame with so many young riders in the middle of horse country. Now, thanks to the hard work and dedication of Mike Bradford, we have an outstanding venue for a wide variety of events.

Young Midlanders are returning to their hometown after college because the oil business offers great opportunities well into the future. It is up to strong leaders like Mike Bradford to provide outstanding amenities like the Horseshoe and library to ensure that our growing population will be proud of our great city.

Joe Gifford

Reeves will be voice of county residents

As a resident of Greenwood, my concern is the disrepair of the county roads. I have spoken with my county commissioner; he has been helpful and informative. However, improvements and repairs have not been made. I feel it is time for new leadership. Kathy Reeves has a proven record as a fiscally conservative leader and she will listen to her constituents. Kathy Reeves will put the needs of the community first and foremost in her job as county judge. With more than 35 years' experience in the Midland County office, Kathy Reeves has the knowledge and experience to carry out the job as county judge.

Vote now for a proven leader who will be the voice of the voters and who will listen to the needs of the community. A vote for Kathy Reeves is a vote for a leader who will be your voice in Midland County. Thank you.

Teresa Hodnett

Bradford's effort to create veteran court is appreciated

I would like to take this opportunity to thank and commend Mike Bradford for his effort in trying to create a veterans court in Midland.

I was employed at Midland College as a counselor and director of guidance counseling for 22 years, and I'm also a veteran. I served in Korea in 1950 and in Vietnam in 1965, so I have firsthand knowledge what these veterans have experienced.

I have always felt that veterans should be given special consideration and understanding when dealing with the judicial system due to their extraordinary experiences while serving in the military and service of our country.

Thank you, Mike, and I hope your effort will bear fruition. My best wishes.

Ricardo Saldana, retired U.S. Marine Corps gunnery sergeant

Reeves is effective leader, will listen to constituents

Several months ago I had a traffic issue on a Midland County road. I called my county commissioner four times without a response and finally had to call the local JP for the district in order to get a begrudged call back from the commissioner, who acted like he was put out that he had to deal with one of his constituents. The issue was finally partially addressed, but I was and remain disappointed in elected county officials who seem to have forgotten whom they work for.

We can change this by electing Kathy Reeves to lead our county government. She has proven to be an effective leader who listens to us and who will demand responsiveness of elected officials to the electorate. She will also see that our money is spent wisely on maintaining our core infrastructure of roads and bridges rather than directing it toward pet projects that would be better served being funded by private investments.

Thomas E. Schneider

Bradford has ability to coordinate with officials

As founder/president of JumBurrito restaurants, president of Midland County Fresh Water District No. 1 and a former city councilman, I know what it takes to build a successful business. As president of MCFWD1, I oversaw the construction of the T-Bar water field and the 67-mile water line project, which was completed 17 days ahead of schedule and $4 million under budget.

I support Judge Bradford because he understands the importance of investing today for a better tomorrow. Leaders lead when others stand still. Judge Bradford's vision and the Commissioners' Court's wisdom formed the water district that completed the T-Bar project. Even today we are assisting Judge Bradford and commissioners to identify possible water resources that will ensure Midland County's future. There is no doubt, Midland County residents need good, safe fresh water and Judge Bradford is committed to addressing the needs. Judge Bradford's vision and leadership has been evident in the quality of life that all Midland County residents enjoy. He has proven his ability to cooperate and coordinate with local and state officials on projects that have benefited every citizen in Midland County.

I will vote for Judge Mike Bradford and ask that you vote for him, as well.

Jose Cuevas

Reeves will give voters a voice in spending

Did you, the voter, choose to expand the Horseshoe? Should voters in Midland County have an opportunity to vote on a multi-million dollar construction project? Is it your money as taxpayers funding this project? Did you have a voice in deciding if you wanted your money to fund this project? The current judge and commissioners never gave you that choice, did they? But as a taxpayer, you should have had a choice.

A vote for Kathy Reeves for Midland County judge will give you that choice. Kathy believes the voter should have a say in where their money is spent. Kathy believes the first two priorities of the Commissioners' Court should be the safety of the community through law enforcement and good county roads. Spending taxpayers money on multi-million dollar projects should be decided by the voter.

Vote for Kathy Reeves for Midland County judge, and you will finally have a voice as a Midland County taxpayer.

Kathy Armstrong

Bradford has experience, strong financial skills

Midland County owes Judge Bradford and Commissioners' Court an immeasurable amount of gratitude for their vision, financial stewardship and for being completely transparent and forthcoming with Midland citizens regarding county government and use of our tax dollars. I am disheartened, disappointed and embarrassed for Kathy Reeves as she attempts to discredit Judge Bradford's leadership and the Commissioners' Court. Reeves, a former county employee, should be proud that Midland County is recognized by the state as an exemplary example of how county government should work.

Judge Bradford and the Commissioners' Court are a compatible team. Their only agenda is the best interest of the taxpayers and Midland County. Judge Bradford holds commissioners accountable, promotes honesty, complete transparency and instills good stewardship of our resources. County colleagues respect him and are endorsing him for re-election. I understand the majority of Reeves' former tax office staff is also endorsing Judge Bradford for re-election.

Judge Bradford is visionary, a forward-thinker, has impeccable credentials, proven experience and strong financial skills. His extensive knowledge, experience and kind demeanor have led many boards and Texas commissions to seek him out to serve on their boards.

Judge Bradford has earned your vote and your confidence.

Lori Dawson

Reeves' ideas could make Midland more affordable

Although "thrifty" may not be a word commonly used by candidates for office, it applies to county judge candidate Kathy Reeves. Her ideas for improvements in Midland County will make this a more affordable and attractive place for residents as well as visitors.

Along with other positive attributes, Kathy is eager to communicate with those in the county, answer any questions and listen to suggestions. She is not a politician in the traditional sense, and her primary objective is to serve this county and its residents.

I urge you to vote for Kathy Reeves for county judge in the upcoming election.

Sue Hardy

County tax assessor/collector

Natividad works hard, wants to be educated about job

As a former tax office employee of 35 years, I would like to endorse Manny Natividad for our next tax assessor/collector. I have trained, supervised and worked with many people over the years, but few have worked harder than Natividad. No task was too small or difficult. He enjoyed learning all aspects of motor vehicle, property tax and the administrative part of the job.

This drive led him to become certified as a tax assessor before knowing this job would become available. He truly wants to be as educated and knowledgeable as he can to be of service to the taxpayers of Midland County. He has earned not only my respect for his hard work, but that of the staff of the office, fellow department heads and the taxpayers he served. That's the kind of person I want to watch over my tax dollars.

Please go vote, and vote for the most qualified person for the job, Manny Natividad.

Susan Collins, former chief deputy tax collector

Commissioners made right appointment

As a former tax office employee, I find it amusing the turmoil that is circling around the appointment of Karen Hood for interim tax assessor. I worked under the former tax assessor, Manny Natividad, as well as Karen Hood. The turmoil was caused by the Commissioners' Court, which did not meet the demands of the former tax assessor. She made promises to Natividad that he would be appointed. She went so far as to ask a district judge to come to court to swear him in. She has no authority or power to make this decision. She humiliated Natividad and his family and friends, who were in court to see him sworn in.

Knowing both Hood and Natividad, the commissioners made the correct appointment. Karen will foster unity in the office. She has the experience,

Please see LETTERS/4B

CANDIDATES' VIEWS ON: TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

The volume of treaffic on roads inside Midland County has never been greater. There are more people, and more business is being done inside the county. How has county government stepped up to the plate to help bring more resources to one of the community's greatest problems? What else could be be done?

County working to improve roads in our control

■ When it comes to county roads, the Commissioners' Court has a record of accomplishment



MIKE BRADFORD
County judge candidate

While there are numerous signs of a growing economy here in Midland, we all experience one growing pain daily: increased traffic.

Every day county offices receive calls about roadway congestion, speeding and other traffic issues that we're all experiencing more and more. However, many of these callers are unaware who has the authority on the roadways. The answer is Midland County only has authority to work on county roads dedicated to Midland County.

The county cannot work on, repair or perform maintenance on any state or federal roadway within Midland County.

Examples of these roadways are Loop 250 (a state road), State Highway 191, State Highway 158, State Highway 349 (Big Spring Street), Highway 307, State Highway 1788 and Interstate 20 (a federal road). Over 90 percent of fatalities and incidents occur on these roadways. These are clearly identified on the new roadmap available from the Midland Chamber of Commerce.

Midland County is very active in working with the local Texas Department of Transportation officials (TxDOT), Midland Odessa Transportation Organization (MotorMPO) and Midland Odessa Transportation Alliance (MOTRAN) to secure more funding for our community roadways.

The Midland County Commissioners' Court (county judge and commissioners), in cooperation with local TxDOT officials, have held hearings, testified in Austin, and continue to take every opportunity to obtain more dollars for your roadways. We have had some success as evidenced by the widening of Highway 349 from Midland to Lamesa. The state funding for this project went to the local TxDOT office, and Midland County paid our dollar match.

The Midland County Commissioners' Court is meeting Monday to approve our additional funding request for our community. The source of funding is the new legislatively created CETRZ (County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone).

This TxDOT funding source is only available to "energy-impacted" counties. Midland County must submit an application with requested projects including estimated costs to TxDOT in Austin. TxDOT will then review the application and approve funding based on their evaluations. Midland County is able to request additional funding from this TxDOT program because we have the ability to prepay some costs before being reimbursed by the state. The ability to prepay is due to Midland County's strong financial position.

Midland County is currently in a three-year paving plan. This plan will pave all county roads that are not currently paved where the county owned the appropriate right of way as of March 1, 2013. This plan is being paid for with sales tax and does not use any debt.

The Midland County Commissioners' Court has funded and equipped additional sheriff patrol officers. Also, Commissioners' Court has provided additional raises for all county law enforcement personnel.

Midland County representatives will continue appearing at TxDOT meetings to make our proposals for additional funding. Also, we will work with MotorMPO, MOTRAN and state elected officials to make the highway funding formula more equitable for Midland County residents.

The safety of citizens is of the utmost importance. We will continue to improve the roads in our control.

Roads should be funded every year not just election years

■ County has shown lack of commitment to road system



KATHY REEVES
County judge candidate

I believe Midland County has not given the issue of county roads a high priority. County roads must be one of our highest priorities. The county road system has been funded at a minimal level for several years. Let's look at the facts:

FYE 2007	$334,160
FYE 2008	$528,729
FYE 2009	$425,312
FYE 2010	$490,429
FYE 2011	$617,071
FYE 2012	$584,398
FYE 2013	$830,804

History shows that there is a lack of financial commitment to county roads compared to other budgetary items. Midland County must meet the demands of the roads we are held responsible to maintain and develop.

The Road and Bridge Department is funded by the $10 fee when you register your vehicle and Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Commission. Legislation has allowed the Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Commission to begin to flow to the General Fund for the past nine years. Commissioners' Court action can return these dollars back to Road and Bridge as well as reserves monies. Attorney General Greg Abbott and I agree that we must return the Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Commission back to the County Road Department to help ensure proper funding.

The 82nd legislative session recognized the energy industry has generated large revenues for the state of Texas. With that came heavy traffic and inadequate roads or lack of maintenance of state roads. Midland County was fortunate to have the opportunity to submit for $5.5 million through the creation of CERTZ.

CERTZ has a board of local citizens who will designate which state roads in our area will be addressed. This will not fix our county roads.

Midland County has approximately 352 miles of roads within our boundaries to maintain. The many years of neglect of our county roads and increasing traffic has placed us in a challenging position. I believe that swift and drastic action must take place. First, evaluate the county roads to determine priorities. Second, adequate funding must happen. Third, explore using multiple vendors to assist our Road and Bridge Department to pave or maintain the roads. The 2014 county budget reflects $8.5 million dedicated to infrastructure. Our county roads must be addressed every year, not just election years. Midland County is the only jurisdiction by statue that can maintain or expand the county road system.

Our school children, first responders, commercial and public traffic travel on our neglected county roads each day. As reported, we have seen record fatalities on all of Midland's roads. Also, we have seen reports that first responders were unable to travel down some county roads because of the risk of damage to their unit. School buses are needing constant repair due to poorly maintained roads. We must make our county roads a high priority each and every year.

I will advocate to dedicate sufficient funding to our county road system to meet the demands of our growing population and for public safety.

ELECTION LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From 3B

qualifications, intelligence, the drive and the loyalty to the residents of Midland County and will do an exceptional job. Natividad was not fired and went home in an effort to compromise the Tax Office, while Hood stayed to clean up the mess he had created. My vote, Karen Hood for tax assessor collector.

Donna Pierce

GOP county chairman

Beauchamp talks the talk as GOP chair

When James Beauchamp talks about engaging the younger generation into government participation in the Republican Party, he definitely walks his talk.

From encouraging me to participate in political fundraising events that I felt passionate about, to guiding me in the right direction so I could volunteer on local and statewide races, he is no doubt the right choice when it comes to who should lead our Midland County Republican Party in the years to come.

Worried about the lack of voter participation in the 21- to 44-year-old age group, James started hosting gatherings at his home, where local and statewide candidates are present to talk with us and answer questions.

James believes in rewarding those who continue to promote the Republican Party. While talking to James about a statewide race I was volunteering on in 2012, I laughingly mentioned to him that I wanted to go to the Romney/Ryan election night party in Boston. Although being serious, I didn't think about it again. I now tell everyone that the election night party in Boston is something I will never forget! To keep the Republican Party moving in the right direction, keep James Beauchamp as our Midland County Republican chair.

Julie Donnelly

District clerk

Stewart wants to improve training in clerk's office

I would like to take this opportunity to say a few good things about Carrie Stewart, who is running for the office of district clerk, Midland County.

She moved to Midland in 2006 from Kerr County, where she worked as chief deputy for the Kerr County district clerk for more than 12 years. Since moving to Midland, she has worked for a local prominent attorney who handles family law, civil law and criminal law, so she is knowledgeable in all those areas. Carrie married a lifetime Midland resident, Billy Stewart, who she says is her "best friend."

Carrie wants to improve the relationships of the employees with the clerk as well as give them proper training to keep the turnover at a minimum. According to the records, which are public, 18 to 21 employees have quit, retired or been fired in the past three years. The expense to train a new employee is huge, and the taxpayers are having to foot that bill. I have been a friend of Carrie's for approximately seven years and know she is a lovely person, honest, truthful and a law-abiding citizen. Thank you.

Wanda L. LaPlante

318th District court

Blair would continue to serve families well

In selecting the next judge of the 318th District Court, it is important to remember that even a person who sits in judgment of others is still a servant of the public. Matthew Blair is such a servant. Since Matthew came to Midland in 1979, he has served this community. As an Eagle Scout and former scoutmaster, he remains active in scouting to this day. Along with his Scouting activities, being a founder of the Centennial Plaza Association and president of the Midland Jaycees are just a few of the areas in which he has served Midland.

For more than 26 years, Matthew has served as the associate judge in the 318th District Court, hearing and deciding a large part of the case load of that court, and, at a time when many think of retirement, he continues to want to serve the citizens of Midland County.

I have known Matthew for more than 20 years, and know him to be conservative, experienced and principled both personally and professionally. He has served the families and children of Midland well and will continue to do so as judge of the 318th District Court. Please join me in electing Matthew Blair.

Wayne Newkumet

Blair has experience to be district judge

In general life and business in particular, "experience does matter."

Being in the oil and gas business, when I am spending my own and other people's money to drill a well, I don't need a bunch of rookies working for me. When I hire someone to get a job done, I want as much experience as I can get. The same would be true when electing a judge.

Matthew Blair is the only candidate in the race for judge of the 318th District Court with actual 26 years of experience as a judge in a family law court. I have known Matthew Blair for more than 25 years and know his work ethic both professionally and personally.

I may never be in family court, but other people will, and I want them to have a judge who knows how to be a judge. He does! Elect Matthew Blair as the next judge of the 318th District Court.

Eram Ali

Multiple races

Lindemood: Equipped to be judge; Bradford: Fiscal conservative

I have known David Lindemood for 35 years. Having worked with him at FNB, I witnessed his development as an attorney and individual. I recommended David to individuals needing legal services and have always been pleased. His extensive experience as a trial attorney and professional maturity provide the confluence of knowledge and skill that equip him to become an effective judge. The essence of judgeship is listening to both sides and applying the applicable law in an unbiased, meaningful manner. David is more than capable of delivering in that regard, and I highly recommend David as our next 318th District judge.

Likewise, I have known County Judge Mike Bradford for 35 years having also worked with him at FNB. Contrary to the recent inflammatory accusations that he isn't a fiscal conservative, I absolutely believe that Mike is extremely conservative. He has utilized existing financial resources on numerous county projects without encumbering the future with indebtedness. The real question is whether we received full value for those expenditures, and I believe that we have. Under his leadership, the county's expenditures have been carefully planned, thoughtfully made and hugely beneficial to all Midland citizens. I encourage you to re-elect Mike Bradford.

David L. Smith

Bradford is honest, respectful; Beauchamp effective chairman

Mike Bradford is honest, respectful and communicates well with others. He makes decisions based upon common-sense values, without personal agendas being involved. He uses audited numbers when he works with the budget and makes presentations to the public. He does not use numbers that are unsubstantiated. Please vote for Mike Bradford.

James Beauchamp has been a very effective Midland County chair for the Republican Party. He has engaged many new volunteers, works well with other regional areas and has been responsible for initiating successful first-time fundraising events. Just these accomplishments alone have furthered Republican Party goals in our area. His continued leadership in this position will benefit our party. Please vote for James.

Linda Melson

Helping Hands of Midland
An All-Volunteer Organization Reaching Out To Others
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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 in the past week:

Electricity	7 families	$ 1,676.10
Water	4 families	$ 1,350.19
Rent	13 families	$18,069.53
Transportation	1 family	$ 157.50
Medical	3 families	$ 4,041.00
TOTAL		$25,294.32

In a culture infused with so much time spent in hearing, whether it be radio, television or constant chatter, how much time do we spend in actually listening?

A man walked into our store and asked if we sold our donated clothes or gave them out for free. The cashier explained that our clothing is sold at extremely discounted prices (anywhere from $1 for t-shirts to $6 for men's suits) and the proceeds go to help the poor. He pressed on: do we give clothing away? The store was exceptionally busy that day and the cashier had a long line of shoppers waiting to check out. She responded that clothing was donated to the needy each Wednesday from 9 am until 11 am, and that all he needed to do if he was in need of clothing was to bring in some ID and enter our side door on that day. We would be ablé to accommodate him at that time. She also explained that we cannot give clothing away when the store is open because then our paying customers might also expect to get their items for free.

He then told us that his son was recently murdered. He had carefully laundered and folded all of his son's clothing, but he wanted to be sure the clothing was given to people in need, and not sold. It was very important to the grieving father that the clothing be donated.

The cashier hastily apologized and expressed sympathy to the father for his loss, and assured him that the clothing would be donated to men coming into our facility for assistance (many of whom are recently released from prison and looking for an opportunity to make a new start in life). We took his clothing and isolated it from the rest of our donations, so that we could ensure that his wishes would be honored. He left satisfied, but the cashier felt differently.

Sometimes our Lord has a way of gently reaching down and teaching us a lesson. The cashier, in her haste, had sized this man up as someone wanting free clothing and who had interrupted the work flow. She did not see or sense his pain until he spelled it out, because she had not taken the time to listen. How easy it is to prejudge or to simply be too busy to listen! Please pray that all of us at Helping Hands continually put the needs of others ahead of our own immediate concerns and to be especially attentive to those in pain. And please pray for this man who is suffering such a tragic loss.

CANDIDATES' VIEWS ON: TRANSPORTATION

If more funds are needed in oilfield regions, where whould it come from?

Want more money for better roads? Re-prioritize the state's expenditures

■ Permian Basin deserves fair share, and raising taxes is not necessary



MIKE CANON
State Senate candidate

Roadways and transportation are a basic function of state government. They are a vital and essential part of our economy, without which we cannot adequately deliver the goods and services that help make our state and District 31 productive.

Appropriate funding and maintaining Texas roadways is the responsibility of the state government. Today we are being told by the "authorities" that the budget for the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is underfunded to the tune of billions of dollars. The logical conclusion is that either our state Legislature or TxDOT, or perhaps both, are not doing their job. Texas roads are under stress, especially in the Permian Basin and rural parts of District 31, and conditions seem to be getting worse every day.

In 2012, TxDOT announced that traffic fatalities in the Permian Basin increased by 27 percent. While many agree that the road conditions are a side-effect of the oil boom and increased congestion, there must be a renewed effort on behalf of our district to correct the problems and provide relief for this highly affected region. Lives are too precious to be lost by unsafe driving conditions.

Transportation infrastructure must be adequately maintained for oilfield traffic. With increased production in the oil fields comes increased traffic, and this economy-boosting part of the state must receive a fair share of the funds that we send to Austin.

Rural roads in the Permian Basin, the Panhandle and West Texas are in need of repair. These roads are the connectors among the industries of farming, ranching and oil field production. They are also used daily by the people in the rural parts of our district, and driving conditions can be just as bad there as in the oil traffic roadways.

In order to adequately budget for transportation infrastructure, we need adequate funding, efficient operations, appropriate planning and proper allocation of resources to ensure that our state road network is adequate and safe for travelers in our state. On the expense side, we need third-party business analysts analyzing expense factors such as management and salary structures, operations efficiency, third party vendor and project bidding processes. We must trim the internal fat and inefficiencies, and ensure that TxDOT is being held accountable financially and operationally.

We must also establish a means, to the extent they are not already allocated, to have the funds available on a regular basis to apply to our roads. In my opinion, taking money out of the rainy day rund is not the way to do it. My research of the rainy day bill leads me to conclude that the rainy day fund was meant for extraordinary circumstances that will help the state out of a rough spot, not for ongoing maintenance of infrastructure.

The way to provide for the long-term maintenance of our roadways is to properly fund it thought the state budget. Please understand, I do not support raising taxes in order to add to the budget. What I do propose is examining the budget and re-prioritizing the expenditures. I know that there are items in the budget that do not fall within the realm of necessary or vital government operations, and I am of the opinion that adjustments should be made by moving budgeted funds from non-essential government operations to essential government operations, such as roads and highway transportation.

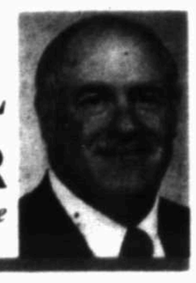
If Texas is to remain competitive in the global economy, we must invest in the infrastructure of our state, with roads being a top priority along with water and education. We cannot continue to thrive as a district if we cannot get Austin to take care of our roadways the way they need to be cared for.

As your state senator, I will fight to make sure all of District 31 gets what it needs to maintain roads and remain productive, all while ensuring we are doing everything possible to improve the safety of our roadways. I value your lives, your safety and your industries so that they can be used for the good of Texas.

I am not a big-government guy. I believe government has certain basic responsibilities, and one of those responsibilities is to build and adequately maintain roads. I will be fighting to insist that TxDOT and the Texas Legislature bring back appropriate focus and perspective to this vital area. As senator for District 31, I will work hard to achieve appropriate planning, funding, maintenance and safety of Texas roads.

Opportunities are there to bring relief to strained roadways

■ Oil-producing regions should benefit from growing rainy day fund



KEL SELIGER
State Senate candidate

Founding Father Alexander Hamilton said, "those who stand for nothing fall for anything."

As a father I can remember teaching this lesson to my boys, and as a businessman I found it to be true as well — it is always more challenging to be for something than to be against it, or supportive of nothing at all.

This, the final op-ed, is about transportation and, more specifically, how to fund it. There is no question that we have an issue, only a disagreement about where money will come from in order to solve it.

Admittedly, I don't have all the answers, or the proverbial silver bullet, but I am willing to put my thoughts on the table and listen to others in order to reach a resolution. Bullet holes are always welcome, but only if they are shot from a loaded gun putting forth new ideas in return.

The Permian Basin produces roughly 1 million barrels of oil per day and is expected to produce 1.7 million barrels per day by the end of this decade. It is anticipated that the Cline Shale in West Texas could contain as much as 30 billion barrels of oil in the entire play, making it the largest discovery in the Permian Basin in 50 years.

The Economic Stabilization Fund (ESF), also known as the rainy day fund, is funded by oil and gas severance taxes that flow directly from oil- and gas-producing counties, which, unjustly, do not receive a proportionate amount of the infrastructure funding that it puts into the state's treasury. The Texas A&M Transportation Institute estimates that there is roughly $1 billion in costs annually as a direct result of increased oil and gas activity causing damage to county roads.

It takes approximately 1,200 loaded trucks to bring a new well into operation — the equivalent of roughly 8 million cars. Then, an average of 350 trucks per year are used to maintain an oil rig, which is the equivalent of 2 million more cars traveling those same roads every year.

As a result of this economic prosperity, our region's infrastructure has been put under significant strain, particularly our roads, which have become increasingly unsafe. Last year alone, there were 4,371 serious injury crashes and 358 traffic fatalities in the Permian Basin, a 13 percent increase over the previous year.

Each fiscal year, the state's comptroller directs 25 percent of the severance taxes collected above the 1986 level toward General Revenue, and 75 percent — $5.4 billion in the current biennium — to the ESF. After the passage of Proposition 6 last fall, which utilizes a portion of the ESF to fund water infrastructure, the current balance is more than $8 billion.

The boom in oil and gas production in Texas is projected to stretch for the next 40 years, thus the state stands to reap long-term economic benefits of this activity. It is reasonable to expect that the counties that will account for this increased production output and positive economic growth will receive a proportional amount of infrastructure funding.

During the 83rd regular session, I filed Senate Joint Resolution 65 (SJR 65), which would have created a long-term, predictable revenue stream to address this issue. SJR 65 directed the comptroller to allocate an amount equal to 3 percent of the severance tax revenue appropriated toward the ESF to transportation needs in energy producing counties.

SJR 65 did not pass, but in the third special session Senate Joint Resolution 1 did, thus Texans will have the opportunity this November to support using money from the ESF to pay for transportation infrastructure.

Despite what critics say, dedicating a funding stream from the ESF to a specific cause is not new. In fact, currently 25 percent of monies generated through severance taxes are dedicated to the Permanent School Fund. The passage of this proposition would dedicate a portion of the remaining money to the State Highway Fund, otherwise known as Fund 6. Texans have already prioritized school funding, and now it is time to do the same with transportation needs.

This revenue would be a new funding stream, but not a tax, which is a win-win. And I am committed to ensuring that funds be wholly applied to roads, and not to the salaries of new bureaucrats in Travis County.

With the projected boom of production potentially spanning the next three or four decades, it is imperative that our roadways meet this demand. The continued well-being and safety of the citizens of Senate District 31 depend on it.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Spray-painters should have asked about flag

Sometime during the early hours of Feb. 16 an individual or individuals decided to rearrange the appearance of the front of my home choosing the colors red, white and blue from a spray can dispenser.

The person(s) guilty of this dastardly act have displayed their ignorance to the highest degree. For sure they have never read our Constitution or the Holy Bible. I have worked hard all my life to own a home and be debt-free so I could enjoy my retirement.

For the past 40-plus years I have been doing battle with an unconstitutional corrupt government dedicated to force us to live under a one world government of the United Nations.

■ MORE LETTERS ON 6B

Now, I am confronted with evil citizens, assuming they are citizens, with the audacity to tell me that how I am dealing with the evil government is incorrect.

All that they needed to do — like everyone else has over the 3 1/2 years I have been flying the flag (upside down) — was to knock on my door and ask why. They had no just cause to do otherwise.

I have dedicated myself to displaying my flag in this manner until every member of Congress honors their oath of office 100 percent of the time.

It is impossible for them to vote for approval of any proposed unconstitutional law and honor their oath of office at the same time.

There is a law whereby they can be removed from office, fined and/or incarcerated.

How can we know if they honor their oath or not? Please google "jbs.org" then click on "vote" or "Freedom Index." This produces the voting records of every member of Congress. Herein are our enemies, which are precisely the reason why Obama cannot be impeached.

This is well-planned by an organization known as the Council on Foreign Relations, which has controlled every aspect of our government since Franklin D. Roosevelt.

If everyone would live God's Ten Commandments these problems would disappear.

More knowledge for the asking at my email, ww2vet@grandecom.net.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Left has own facts on drug legalization

In a misguided effort to decriminalize the various "thug drugs" (cocaine, marijuana, heroin, meth, etc.), the left has floated a piece of fantasy being stated as fact to start and sustain the argument. There is constant reference to the "minor drug offenders languishing in prison" over minor or trace amounts of drugs in their possession. Having worked in the Texas prison system, such a creature does not exist. There may be some incarcerated for a drug conviction, but it is accompanied by a more serious conviction and a background of criminal patterns.

One inmate with whom I dealt was serving a long sentence for aggravated distribution of cocaine and for having an improper relationship with a 16-year-old girl. He received a longer sentence for the girl than for the drugs. Another was serving a term for attempted murder but a still longer term for beating up his 8-year-old niece. But don't take my word for it. Read practically any Tuesday edition of the Reporter-Telegram under "guilty pleas" and the sentencings and see for yourself.

This leads to a glaring question: If smoking is so bad for one's health, why the big push to legalize marijuana? Some states, including Colorado where pot is legal, are contemplating raising the smoking age to 21. So, which is it? Is smoking hazardous to one's health or not? The left cannot have it both ways.

Drew Matthews

Struggle continues for awareness of those with special needs

The Feb. 17 column by Michael Gerson commendably pointed out the need to praise special-needs individuals, their families and their caretakers. He discussed those in foreign countries such as Malawi where words for referring to them mean small, evil beings or where treatment is criminal.

However, one need not go overseas to witness poor treatment. Unfortunately, I refer to such treatment delivered by the very organizations from which one would expect an extra measure of compassion and charity — Boy Scout troops and local churches.

Recently, a family situation further opened my eyes. Church and Scout leaders would not allow an open-ended meeting to correct false information about a special-needs child. When I entered the fray, I was greeted with indifference.

I was trying to establish better programs and relationships, among churches in particular, in my capacity as a foster-care parent and my membership on the board of trustees of the Permian Basin Community Centers of MHMR. Of course, not all is negative, as churches sponsor the very wonderful SHARE and Sib-Shop programs.

I am now working with about three such families, primarily identifying the need to get the children on benefit waiting lists that can sometimes take 20 or more years before benefits are available.

My heart really goes out to those with more aggressive behavior patterns, which aren't accepted as much as the more gentle behavior of others. Even Scouts acknowledge this with their disabilities merit badge. Apparently, this awareness has not reached certain adult leaders.

The struggle for special-needs awareness constantly continues. Some of us call it the "non-casserole" condition — people will deliver meals for cancer or other known illnesses, but not mental illnesses. Some of us experience daily yelling, seizures, physical challenges and other behavior. It's hard to smile or use humor when asked, "How are you doing?"

I only pray that more awareness and actions such as a comforting letter or call to these families and even better, an evening of caretaking to let caretakers have an evening of respite.

Bob Templeton

Shooters would ignore signs banning handguns

Columbine. Sandy Hook Elementary. Virginia Tech. Aurora, Colo.'s Century Movie Theater. What do these places have in common? Many will answer "mass shootings." My answer: They were soft targets.

Incident after incident in recent decades have proven that people who perpetrate mass shootings look for soft targets. In more than 185 school-related shootings in this country since 1991 more than 260 people have died. In addition, since 2005 in 12 notable mall shootings in this country 44 people have died. While it is virtually impossible to know for sure, I am confident that very few, if any, of the shooters in these nearly 200 shootings held concealed handgun licenses. They were criminals. They were cowards.

Now the Midland Park Mall (Simon Malls) has seen fit to place signs at major entrances prohibiting the concealed carry of handguns by law-abiding citizens. Unfortunately, if my state-approved concealed handgun is not welcome at Midland Park Mall, then neither am I.

On Tuesday I made my next to last foray into the Midland Park Mall. I visited with a Simon Malls Customer Service manager and explained that I will not spend another dime in their facility as long as the CHL prohibition is in place.

While I am one man who spends a modest amount of money a year at the Midland Park Mall, I think Simon Malls will learn that I am far from alone. I plan to spend the next few weeks working to organize CHL holders and CHL supporters across West Texas to make one last visit to the many individual retailers at Midland Park Mall to explain to each of them why our money will no longer be spent in their establishment.

While I respect the property owner's right to post signage prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns by CHL holders, I refuse to voluntarily put myself and my family into a situation where we are potentially defenseless against a madman for whom a sign is nothing more than words to be ignored in a quest for his 15 minutes of fame.

Mark LaCroix

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Bradford clarified the fund balance amount on the campaign trail by saying that $31 million of it is unappropriated; the remaining amount already has been allocated for projects.

County budget growth, tax rate decline

Reeves has previously said the population growth is not proportional to the county's budget increase over five years: from $40 million to $68 million. Bradford's response was that growing economies require growing budgets.

Reeves also believes that the tax rate needs to be set lower than the effective rate, which for fiscal year 2014 was $0.14 per $100 property valuation. Bradford has referenced how since 2005, the county's property tax rate decreased by nearly half.

State Senate District 31

The race between incumbent Kel Seliger and former Midland Mayor Mike Canon became a mix of stances on issues and attacks on one other.

While both generally agree on several topics — including the lack of proof on hydraulic fracturing's impact on groundwater — the disagreements stem from Canon's leanings toward local control and Seliger's defense of state control.

On the campaign trail, both candidates questioned each other's educational and professional backgrounds. Canon, an oil attorney, touts his law degree and expertise in oil, while Seliger has referenced the jobs he created as mayor of Amarillo and the bills that he worked on such as SB 225, which reduced the number of end-of-course assessments students would be required to take from 15 to five.

Canon is running for a statewide political position for the first time, while Seliger is hoping to go beyond the 10 years he has already served in the Senate.

■ Senate Bill 346

The discussion of a Senate bill that Seliger sponsored and that Gov. Rick Perry subsequently vetoed became the basis for how the race became ugly.

SB 346 would have required certain groups that are not exactly political committees to disclose their contributors to political campaigns. Canon said he would not have supported it because it would discourage such groups from contributing. He said it would be a double standard to have labor unions be exempt from the reporting. Seliger said the bill is about transparency because it allows "shadowy groups" to keep contributing to campaigns.

Seliger named Empower Texans, a group that has attacked him through the years and endorsed Canon, as one such group. Canon has previously told the Reporter-Telegram that he received an in-kind donation from the PAC, but not a monetary one.

The candidates have gone back and forth in previous Odessa American articles after Seliger said Canon had unlimited money from Empower Texans. Canon said he has not accepted any money from PACs.

■ Transportation funding

Seliger supports use of the rainy day fund for road projects. He said the use of the fund, which comes from the oil and gas industry, would be justified for oil industry areas.

Canon opposes using the fund, saying that the current system for road funding is inefficient. He said that he would investigate the inefficiency. He made similar statements regarding the state's education system.

■ Proposition 6

The proposition that transfers rainy day fund money into a revolving fund also became an issue. Seliger was for it, citing the high cost of future water projects. Canon was against it because he believes water issues should remain on the local level.

■ Similarities

The two also agreed on several things. They agree there is no proof that hydraulic fracturing could affect groundwater sources, they agree groundwater districts provide local control, and they agree that federal education programs, such as Common Core, are not a good thing.

U.S. House District 11

Though it was a loss the last time military veteran Wade Brown ran against incumbent Mike Conaway, he is running against him again in Tuesday's Republican primary because he believes the incumbent is not conservative enough. Conaway, a five-term veteran of the U.S. House of Representatives, had defended his voting record on the campaign trail.

■ National debt

Brown believes Conaway is not the true fiscal conservative he claims to be because Conaway has voted for several measures, including the Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, that increased the national debt. Brown said the incumbent is not representing the district.

Conaway said that the deficit will continue to grow unless cuts or changes are made to programs such as Medicare and unless the country's' borrowing habits are changed, as well.

■ Immigration

Brown believes in the creation of a U.S. and Mexico border fence and additional border patrol. Conaway has a plan that involves not just securing the border, but also includes measures such as giving priority to high-skilled workers and a guest worker program for agricultural workers.

■ Fair tax

One of Brown's platforms is his support for the fair tax, a national sales tax that would replace federal income tax and payroll tax. He believes the federal income tax violates First and Fourth amendments, according to Brown's website.

■ Agriculture

Conaway aspires to be the next chairman of the House Agriculture Committee. District 11, which includes parts of the Permian Basin and Central Texas, would benefit from having its representative as chairman of the committee, he previously said.

Polling places

Primary Election Day
When: Tuesday
Voting center hours: 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Voting Centers

Annex courtroom, 2110 N. "A" St.
Centennial Library, 2503 W. Loop 250
Christ Church, 5501 N. Midkiff
Cogdell Learning Center, 211 W. Florida
Cotton Flat Baptist Church, 6409 S. Highway 349
Fairmont Park Church of Christ, 3813 N. Midland Drive
Golf Course Church of Christ, 3500 W. Golf Course
Greater Ideal Baptist Church, 301 S. Tyler
Greenwood Baptist Church, 10908 Farm-to-Market Road 307
Manor Park, 5212 Sinclair
Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut
Odessa Country Club, No. 1 Fairway
Palmer Drug Abuse Program, 1208 W. Wall St.
St. Paul's Methodist Church 4501 Thomason
Stonegate Fellowship, 6000 W. Wadley Ave.

All locations except Christ Church, Cotton Flat Baptist Church, Greenwood Baptist Church and Odessa Country Club are EZ Rider accessible.

Source: Midland County Elections Office.

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embarrassment for him. So that could be fun.

And for those of us who like major chaos in our politics, a recent poll showed that the leader in the battle for the Democratic U.S. Senate nomination is Kesha Rogers, who favors the impeachment of Democratic President Barack Obama. It's a field of five candidates you've never heard of, so a runoff is probable.

Rogers is a LaRouche Democrat. Google it yourself. I've given up on trying to explain LaRouche Democrats, though I do recall they're named for 91-year-old Lyndon LaRouche, who seems to believe much of the world is out to get him and Britain's reigning monarch is a drug queenpin.

One thing to look for the Dem side is total turnout, which could serve as a measure of heightened interest resulting from state Sen. Wendy Davis' attention-getting gubernatorial race. As a benchmark, in 2010, the most recent gubernatorial race, 680,548 votes were cast in the Dem primary, compared with 1,484,542 on the GOP side.

One last thing, and it's a reason to care about the ag commissioner race. There's a great opportunity here on the Dem side. How about if we deal Kinky Friedman such a crushing defeat that the singer/author/cigar salesman/perpetual perpetually unqualified candidate is dissuaded from such look-at-me candidacies in the future?

Voting against Friedman might be the best reason to go to the polls Tuesday.

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Immigration pits Texas ag candidates against farm lobby

By Neena Satija
Texas Tribune

When Republican agriculture commissioner candidate Eric Opiela appeared on television sets across Texas recently to declare "No amnesty under any circumstances," he was no doubt attempting to appeal to the conservative constituency that is expected to turn out in this week's primary election.

So are his major primary opponents, former state Reps. Sid Miller and Tommy Merritt, and Uvalde Mayor J Allen Carnes, who oppose any pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants. Current Agriculture Commissioner Todd Staples, a candidate for lieutenant governor, is also blasting one of his Republican opponents, state Sen. Dan Patrick, over reports that he hired undocumented workers and supported amnesty for one of them decades ago.

But all of the candidates also happen to disagree with one of the country's most powerful agricultural lobbying groups, which boasts some half a million members in Texas. The American Farm Bureau Federation and its local arm, the Texas Farm Bureau, are strong supporters of a major immigration reform bill the U.S. Senate passed last year that offers a pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants. The bill has been heavily criticized by many conservative politicians, both nationwide and in Texas, highlighting a rift between the Republican Party and the agricultural lobby that widened recently during debate over the farm bill.

"Let's just cut to the chase on this thing: Eighty-five percent of the agricultural labor that goes on in the state of Texas ... is done by either undocumented or illegally documented people," said Steve Pringle, legislative director for the Texas Farm Bureau.

Carnes and Merritt have downplayed their position on granting citizenship to undocumented immigrants, pointing out that it is a federal issue and that they'd rather focus on advocating for a viable guest worker program. Still, their positions reflect the candidates' need to appeal to Republican primary voters, Pringle said. The Farm Bureau has endorsed Carnes and given tens of thousands of dollars to his campaign.

Pringle said the Farm Bureau could "probably live with" the current proposal in the Republican-controlled U.S. House to allow undocumented immigrants to work toward legal status but not citizenship. But he has his own conservative take on why he opposes that approach: "Do you want a federal government large enough to be able to ship 12 million people back to their own country?"

Though the state's agriculture commissioner cannot directly influence federal immigration policy, the debate raging in Congress has significant implications for agriculture in Texas, where producers struggle to find a legal workforce and studies have estimated that a vast majority of farm workers are undocumented.

The candidates say they expect to have the ear of Washington lawmakers on the issue. Staples has worked with agriculture commissioners in nearby states to try to influence guest worker proposals in Congress, and he has also made border security a centerpiece of his term and campaign.

But for some Republicans, a hard-line stance on immigration has sparked a backlash among rural voters. Agricultural producers across the country rebelled when U.S. Rep. Lamar Smith, R-San Antonio, proposed forcing employers nationwide to use the controversial E-Verify database, a federal service that checks to see whether someone is eligible to work in the U.S. Farm lobby groups predicted tens of billions of dollars in losses for their members. Similar efforts in Texas have also failed.

"All we have to do to put agriculture out of business in this country, you do two things," Pringle said.

Yet Opiela, an attorney for the state Republican Party, supports the use of E-Verify in Texas, and has criticized Carnes for testifying against such identification programs in Washington, D.C., in 2007. Carnes now says he supports "a program to track people when they come in the U.S. on a guest worker visa, and make sure they leave on time."

Railroad

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but they are looking at the spare room."

Deb Hastings, executive vice president of the Texas Oil and Gas Association, said her organization hopes anyone seeking public office would come to the job with a commitment to fulfill its duties, but often it is expected that some officials will look to a higher office.

For their part, the candidates said they were focused on getting elected to the Railroad Commission — and not eyeing something higher.

Republican Malachi Boyuls said the job is so important that it should be considered a "destination job."

"I can add a lot of value to the Railroad Commission with my experience," said Boyuls, a former regulatory attorney in Dallas, who currently is a partner in St. Augustine Capital Partners, LLC, focused on investing, brokering and consulting in the oil and gas industry.

Boyuls and the other GOP candidates say they want to protect the Texas oil and gas industry from increased federal oversight. He also speaks of the importance of pipeline safety and private property rights.

Another Republican candidate, Wayne Christian, said his experience on the House Regulated Industries Committee and the House Energy Committee gave him an important insight into the Railroad Commission's operations.

Christian added that he is not seeking an office higher than the Railroad Commission.

"I was in the House for 14 years, so I am not exactly a climber," he said.

Becky Berger, who said that she is the only one in the race with mining experience, said she would stay in the office for three terms at the most and won't seek higher office.

"All I care about is the energy business running appropriately," said Berger, also a Republican.

Ryan Sitton, another Republican candidate, said he too would not use the office as a stepping-stone.

"This is the only job I want to do," he said. "I recognize that everyone is going to say that."

Sitton, the CEO of an engineering and technology company that works in the energy business, said he is the best candidate because, more so than other candidates, he knows the business. "It's not even close," he said.

Sitton's primary objective, if elected, will be to leverage Texas' resources to make the U.S. more energy independent, he said.

Democrat Steve Brown also said he is not looking beyond the primary. "I have my hands full trying to win this one," he said.

Democrat Dale Henry couldn't be reached.

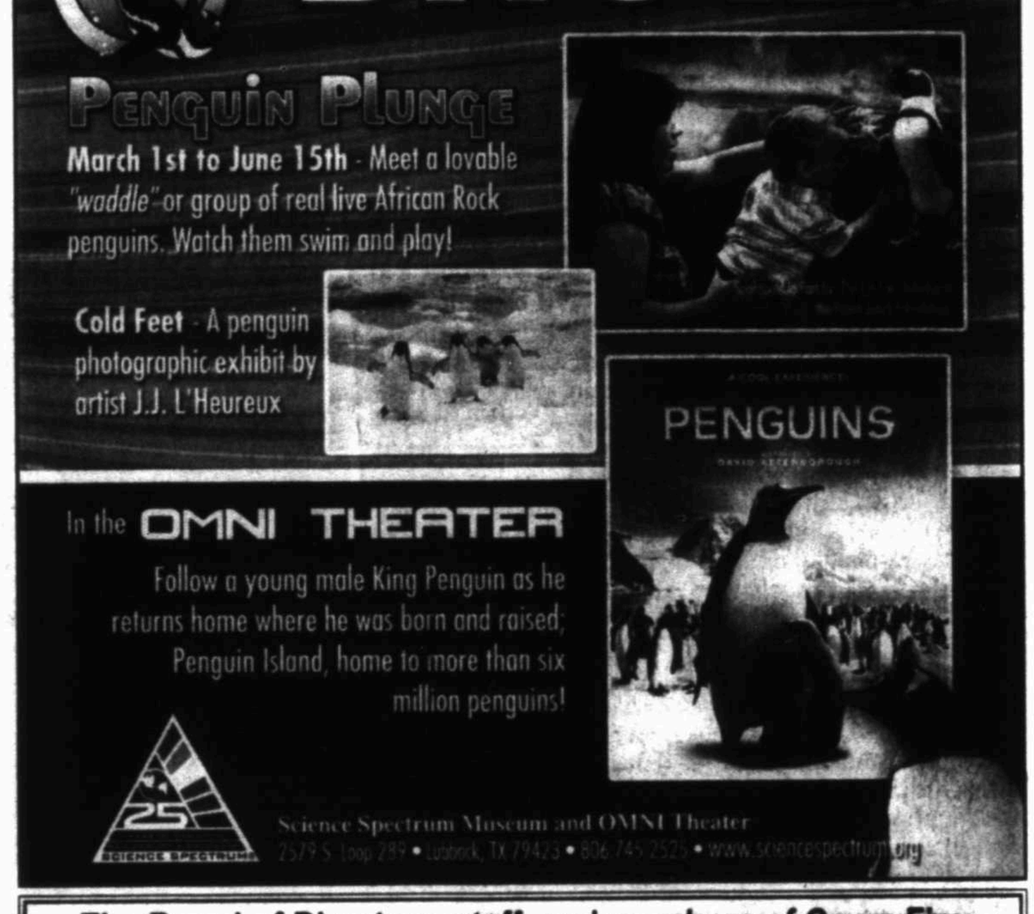
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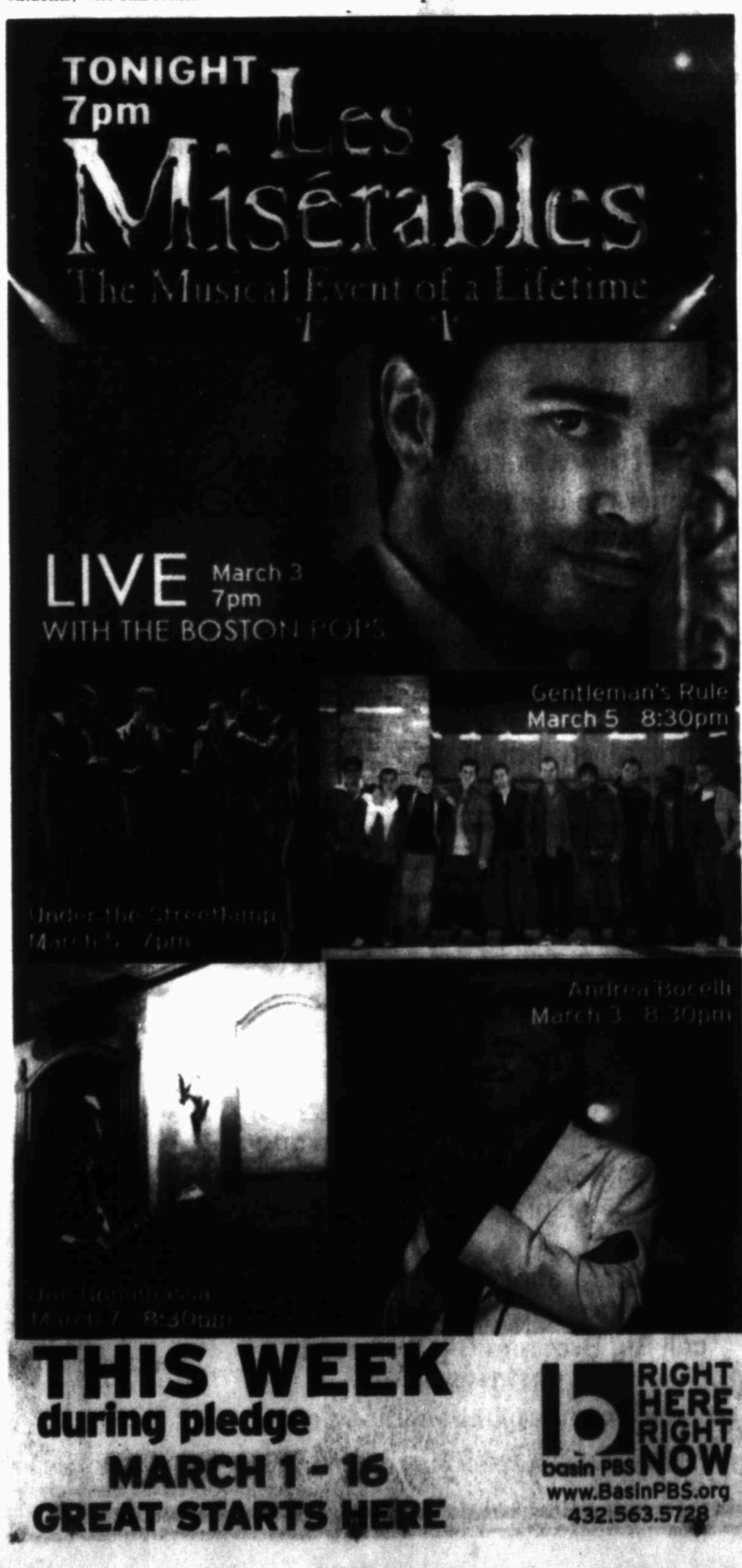
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public questioned commissioners for more than an hour as to why Hood, a candidate for the tax assessor-collector position, was appointed. Some people cited it as a conflict of interest. Precinct 2 Commissioner Robin Donnelly said that he suggested Hood be appointed because constituents, who still remain anonymous, recommended her.

Bradford continually has abstained from voting on any matters related to the tax office, while Sanchez continually has voted against many of the decisions that were made, including the recent administrative leave with pay for current Assistant Chief Deputy Gloria Murillo.

Some have drawn parallels between the county judge and tax assessor-collector races. Rachel Stone, CEO and president of the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, said during the Jan. 13 meeting that it seems like the commissioners were mad that Reeves was running for county judge, and now the tax office is paying for it.





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Lady Knights basketball wins TAPPS state title

By Greg Bogomol
MRT Correspondent

MANSFIELD — Every time Midland Classical needed a big play in Saturday's TAPPS 3A girls basketball state final with Austin Brentwood Christian Academy, it was a different Lady Knight stepping up.

It was that balance, with three players scoring in double figures, helping the Lady Knights (22-8) capture their first state title since winning the 2A title in 2008 with a 54-41 victory at Legacy High School.

The Ladys Knight trailed for most of the first half until senior Kayla Beattie drained a 3 with 15 seconds left before the break. That gave MCA a 25-22 lead which it would take into the locker room.

The Lady Knights sealed the victory in the fourth quarter by connecting on 9 of 10 shots from the free-thow line and getting two huge 3-pointers from Delanie Griffin — an all-tournament selection, who finished with 14 points.

Lady Knights	54
Lady Bears	41

"To be honest, I was a little worried there at the end because we hadn't shot but about 50 percent at the line the last few games," MCA co-head coach Carla Cunneen said. "The main thing is these girls never quit. They wanted it today, and they were going to find a way to win. There was no way they were going to lose."

Beattie, who was also named all-tournament, finished with a game-high 17 points, including three 3-pointers in the first half. Her younger sister, Alissa, added 13 and was also selected to the all-tournament team.

Brentwood Christian Academy (35-6) tied it at 25 early in the third quarter, but Midland Classical went on a 10-2 run to close the period, opening a 35-27 lead heading into the final eight minutes.

During that run, Alissa Beattie knocked down two 3-pointers and Kayla Beattie and Kristen Johnson each added baskets.

A key for the Lady Knights in taking control of the game was holding Ariana Marks, who led the Lady Bears with a game-high 18 points, to only seven points after the first quarter.

"We knew (Marks) was a good shooter and we didn't do a good job of getting out on her in the first quarter," Cunneen said, "but we

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Photo by Ray Carlin

The Midland Classical girls basketball team shows off their trophy Saturday after winning the TAPPS 3A championship game. The Lady Knights defeated Austin Brentwood at Legacy High School in Mansfield.

Highs and lows



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Bradon Scrivner prepares to pitch against Lubbock Estacado in the final game of the Schlumberger Tournament of Champions on Saturday at Security Bank Ballpark.

MHS, Lee improve at baseball tournament

By Len Hayward
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The roller coaster ride the Lee and Midland High baseball teams have been on this season continued this weekend in the Schlumberger Tournament of Champions.

Both teams battled back from disappointing days on Friday to win all their games on Saturday and now head into the meat of the District 2-5A schedule next week with a few questions answered. But that doesn't mean both teams don't have a few things that need to be figured out.

The Bulldogs (now 6-6) had some struggles at the plate, going 2-3 during the tournament, but only allowed a tournament-best 10 runs. Tournament champ Grapevine gave up 12 runs, but the Bulldogs scored eight runs in its first four games combined before breaking out for 10 in Saturday night's win against Lubbock Estacado.

"Our pitching did pretty well, but what did not help was our hitting," Midland High junior pitcher Bradon Scrivner said. "We didn't give up too many runs and couldn't back that with our bats."

Meanwhile, Lee rallied for a an 8-7 victory against Lubbock High on Saturday as the game-winning run was scored on a dropped third strike, and then the Rebels held off Canyon Randall for a 5-4 victory. The Rebels finished the tournament at 4-1 and are 5-6 on the season.

"We got a lot better offensively as a team, and we really started working together

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Lee High's Blake Blessie catches a pop foul for the out as El Paso Montwood's Sergio Gonzalez runs to first Friday afternoon at Christensen Stadium during the Tournament of Champions.

Lubbock Cooper edges MCS for Tall City Invite title

By Travis Metcalf
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After the final results were announced for Division II girls at the Tall City Invitational track meet at Memorial Stadium, Midland Christian coach Christi Crouch could only grimace.

She had just found out that her team finished in second place by one point to Lubbock Cooper.

"It stinks. We just left points on the track. That's all there is to it," Crouch said. "Any one event could have changed that. It's not fun."

In the end, Lubbock Cooper, Midland Christian and El Paso Eastlake were among a log jam for the top three spots as Lubbock Cooper finished with 145 points, Midland Christian 144 and El Paso Eastlake 143.

"It's one point. I mean, any race, you beat somebody in front of you, and that changes everything. I was just thinking 'Why not 10 points? I don't want to get beat by a point.'"

One of the standout performances for

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Host MHS claims boys title at Tall City Invitational

By Travis Metcalf
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One couldn't blame the Midland High runners in the 1,600-meter relay for being a little bit nervous as they were taking the track Saturday during the boys Division I race of the Tall City Invitational track meet at Memorial Stadium.

As the last race was approaching, Midland High and Amarillo High were tied at 126 points. The team that crossed the finish line first would win the meet.

As Midland High's Chris Govan took the baton as the anchor leg of the team, the Bulldogs were in fourth place, just behind Amarillo High, who was in third.

However, Govan took the handoff and sped around the track, overtaking the Amarillo High runner halfway around the track and never relinquished it to finish third, giving the Bulldogs the points needed to win the meet by three points over Amarillo High, 137-134.

"How tall (Amarillo High) was, their legs, kind of scared me," Govan said. "They're tremendous athletes, and their

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DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON TV TODAY

AUTO RACING

NASCAR, Sprint Cup, The Profit on CNBC 500, at Avondale, Ariz., 2 p.m., FOX

GOLF

PGA Tour, The Honda Classic, final round, at Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., Noon, TGC

PGA Tour, The Honda Classic, final round, at Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., 2 p.m., NBC

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

George Mason at George Washington, 12:30 p.m., NBCSN

Marquette at Villanova, 1 p.m., CBS

Ohio St. at Indiana, 3 p.m., CBS

Georgia Tech at Florida St., 5 p.m., ESPNU

Stanford at Arizona, 7 p.m., ESPNU

Oregon St. at UCLA, 8 p.m., FS1

NBA BASKETBALL

New York at Chicago, Noon, ABC

NHL HOCKEY

Philadelphia at Washington, 11 a.m., NBC

Heritage Classic, Ottawa vs. Vancouver, at BC Place Stadium, 3 p.m., NBCSN

Boston at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m., NBCSN

SOCCER

Premier League, Cardiff at Tottenham, 10:25 p.m., NBCSN

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Duke at North Carolina, Noon, ESPN

Nebraska at Purdue, ESPN2, 1 p.m.

West Virginia at Baylor, 1:30 p.m., FS1

Vanderbilt at Kentucky, 3 p.m., ESPN2

WHAT'S ON DECK

JUNIOR COLLEGE BASEBALL

Frank Phillips at Midland College, noon p.m. (DH)

JUNIOR COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Midland College at NFCA Lead-Off Classic, Athens, Ga.

JUNIOR COLLEGE GOLF

Midland College at Ronnie Black Invitational, Lovington and Hobbs, N.M.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Agreed to terms with LHP Jose Quintana, RHP Nate Jones, OF Avisail Garcia, OF Adam Eaton, OF Jordan Danks, INF Matt Davidson, INF Conor Gillaspie, INF Marcus Semien, C Josh Phegley, C Adrian Nieto, RHP Erik Johnson, RHP Andre Rienzo, LHP Charlie Leesman, LHP Donnie Veal, RHP Daniel Webb, RHP Maikel Cleto, LHP Frank De Los Santos, RHP Nestor Molina, RHP Jake Petricka, LHP Eric Surkamp, INF Leury Garcia, INF Carlos Sanchez, OF Jared Mitchell and OF Trayce Thompson on one-year contracts.

DETROIT TIGERS — Agreed to terms with RHP Melvin Mercedes, RHP Bruce Rondon, LHP Jose Alvarez, LHP Ian Krol, C Bryan Holaday, INF Steve Lombardozzi, INF Francisco Martinez and INF Hernan Perez on one-year contracts.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Agreed to terms with LHP Danny Duffy, INF Johnny Giavotella and OF Carlos Peguero on one-year contracts.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

PHILADELPHIA 76ERS — Signed F Jarvis Varnado to a 10-day contract.

NBA Development League

RIO GRANDE VALLEY VIPERS — Traded C Tim Ohlbrecht to Fort Wayne for a 2014 first-round draft pick.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

MIAMI DOLPHINS — Promoted John Benton to offensive line coach.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NHL — Suspended New York Islanders D Travis Hamonic one game for instigating a fight during the final five minutes of a March 1 game against New Jersey. Fined New York Islanders coach Jack Capuano $10,000.

ANAHEIM DUCKS — Agreed to terms with F Tim Jackman on a one-year contract extension through the 2014-15 season.

BUFFALO SABRES — Announced the resignation of Pat LaFontaine president of hockey operations.

NEW YORK ISLANDERS — Recalled G Anders Nilsson from Bridgeport (AHL). Loaned G Kevin Poulin to Bridgeport.

COLLEGE

QUINNIPIAC — Named Jill Karwoski softball coach.

MLB SPRING TRAINING

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Baltimore	2	0	1.000
Minnesota	2	0	1.000
Seattle	3	0	1.000
Toronto	3	1	.750
Cleveland	2	1	.667
Kansas City	2	1	.667
Oakland	2	1	.667
Detroit	3	2	.600
Houston	1	1	.500
Los Angeles	1	1	.500
New York	2	2	.500
Texas	1	1	.500
Boston	0	2	.000
Chicago	0	1	.000
Tampa Bay	0	1	.000

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Miami	3	0	1.000
Washington	2	0	1.000
Pittsburgh	2	1	.667
Arizona	3	2	.600
Cincinnati	2	2	.500
Colorado	1	1	.500
Los Angeles	2	2	.500
Milwaukee	2	2	.500
San Francisco	1	2	.333
Philadelphia	1	3	.250
Atlanta	0	4	.000
Chicago	0	2	.000
New York	0	2	.000
San Diego	0	3	.000
St. Louis	0	2	.000

NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings; games against non-major league teams do not.

Saturday's Scores

Miami (ss) 5, St. Louis 4
Washington 16, Atlanta 15
Baltimore 9, Toronto 7
N.Y. Yankees 4, Philadelphia 0
Pittsburgh 2, Tampa Bay 2, tie, 10 innings
Minnesota 6, Boston 2
Detroit 5, Houston 1
Miami (ss) 9, N.Y. Mets 1
Cleveland vs. Chicago White Sox at Glendale, Ariz., ccd., Rain
San Francisco vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., ccd., Rain
Kansas City 7, San Diego 3, 8 innings
Oakland 2, Texas 2, tie
Seattle 5, L.A. Angels 3, 7 innings
Cincinnati 3, Colorado 2
Milwaukee 6, L.A. Dodgers 5
Arizona 2, Milwaukee 1, 5 innings
Chicago Cubs vs. Arizona at Scottsdale, Ariz., Late

Today's Games

Detroit vs. Atlanta (ss) at Kissimmee, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Minnesota vs. Tampa Bay at Port Charlotte, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Baltimore vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees vs. Toronto at Dunedin, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Miami vs. Washington at Viera, Fla., 1:05 p.m.
Atlanta (ss) vs. Houston at Kissimmee, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Kansas City vs. Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
San Diego (ss) vs. L.A. Dodgers at Glendale, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Oakland vs. L.A. Angels at Tempe, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Cincinnati vs. San Diego (ss) at Peoria, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox vs. Texas at Surprise, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Arizona vs. San Francisco at Scottsdale, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Seattle vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Milwaukee vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 2:10 p.m.

SKI REPORT

NEW MEXICO

Angel Fire — Sat 6-39 am packed powder machine groomed 25 - 25 base 43 of 78 trails 56% open. 390 acres. 7 of 7 lifts.Mon-Thu 9a-4p; Fri 9a-8p; Sat 9a-8p; Sun 9a-4p

Pajarito — Reopen TBA Fri 9a-4p; Sat-Sun 9a-4p; Open Fri-Sun

Red River — Sat 2:45 pm 3 new packed powder machine groomed 21 - 24 base 52 of 57 trails 92% open. 7 of 7 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Sandia Peak — Closed for Snow Sports

Sipapu — Sat 5:33 am packed powder machine groomed 18 - 25 base 24 of 41 trails 59% open

125 acres. 5 of 5 lifts. sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat-Sun 9a-4p

Ski Apache — Sat 7:28 am spring snow machine groomed 12 - 15 base 30 of 55 trails 64% open. 380 acres. 5 of 10 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Ski Santa Fe — Sat 7:51 am MG machine groomed 33 - 33 base 73 of 77 trails 95% open. 7 of 7 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat-Sun 9a-4p

Taos — Sat 5:52 am 1 new packed powder machine groomed 36 - 40 base 86 of 113 trails 77% open. 14 of 14 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Enchanted Forest XC — Fri Reopen 03/02 variable 2 - 12 base 5 of 40 trails, 6 miles Mon-Fri 9a-4:30p; Sat/Sun 9a-4:30p

COLORADO

Arapahoe Basin — Sat 5:43 am 4 new packed powder machine groomed 75 - 75 base 107 of 107 trails 100% open. 960 acres. 8 of 8 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p

Aspen Highlands — Sat 9:46 am 9 new powder machine groomed 67 - 89 base 124 of 124 trails 100% open. 1040 acres. 5 of 5 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-3:30p; Sat/Sun 9a-3:30p

Aspen Mountain — Sat 9:43 am 5 new powder machine groomed 52 - 53 base 76 of 76 trails 100% open. 675 acres. 6 of 8 lifts. sm Mon-Fri 9a-3:30p; Sat/Sun 9a-3:30p;Beaver Creek — Sat 7:14 am 2 new packed powder machine groomed 64 - 64 base 150 of 150 trails 100% open. 1832 acres. 8 of 25 lifts.Mon-Fri 8:30a-3:30p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-3:30p

Breckenridge — Sat 7:15 am 2 new packed powder machine groomed 89 - 89 base 187 of 187 trails 100% open. 2908 acres. 33 of 35 lifts. sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Buttermilk — Sat 5:35 am 2 new packed powder machine groomed 42 - 44 base 44 of 44 trails 100% open. 470 acres. 7 of 8 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-3:30p; Sat/Sun 9a-3:30p

Copper Mountain — Sat 5:22 am 4 new powder machine groomed 73 - 90 base 140 of 142 trails, 98% open. 2485 acres. 23 of 23 lifts.Mon-Fri 8a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p

Crested Butte — Sat 5:06 am 4 - 8 new powder machine groomed 79 - 79 base 120 of 121 trails 100% open. 1187 acres. 14 of 15 lifts.Mon-Fri 8a-4p; Sat-Sun 8a-4p

Eldora — Sat 9:09 am 6 new packed powder machine groomed 68 - 70 base 53 of 53 trails 100% open. 6 of 11 lifts.Mon-Fri 8a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Irwin — Opening, no details

Kendall Mountain — Opening, no details

Keystone — Sat 7:14 am 9 new packed powder machine groomed 83 - 83 base 131 of 135 trails

89% open. 3148 acres. 19 of 20 lifts.Mon-Fri 8a-4p; Sat/Sun 8a-4p

Loveland — Sat 7:25 am 4 new powder machine groomed 74 - 74 base 91 of 93 trails 98% open. 1739 acres. 8 of 9 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p

Monarch — Sat 1:15 pm 5 new MG machine groomed 66 - 90 base 94 of 97 trails 100% open. 6 of 9 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Powderhorn — Sat 7:19 am 1 new powder machine groomed 65 - 65 base 44 of 44 trails 100% open. 600 acres. 9 of 9 lifts.Mon-Fri 8a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Purgatory at Durango — Sat 3:33 pm 13 new powder machine groomed 65 - 89 base 88 of 88 trails 100% open. 1360 acres. 9 of 10 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Silverton Mountain — Sat 6:33 am 6 new powder 70 - 140 base 69 of 69 trails 100% open Thu-Fri 9a-3p; Sat/Sun 9a-3p; Open Thu-Sun

Ski Cooper — Sat 5:28 am 5 new powder machine groomed 74 - 74 base 35 of 35 trails 100% open. 400 acres. 4 of 4 lifts. sm Mon-Fri 8a-4p; Sat/Sun 8a-4p

Ski Granby Ranch — Sat 9:05 am 2 new packed powder machine groomed 41 - 44 base 41 of 41 trails 100% open. 406 acres. 5 of 5 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat 9a-4p; Sun 9a-4p

Ski Hesperus — Operating, no details

Snowmass — Sat 9:45 am 8 new powder machine groomed 48 - 65 base 97 of 97 trails 100% open. 3362 acres. 15 of 21 lifts.Mon-Fri 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p

Steamboat — Sat 5:44 am 3 new packed powder machine groomed 73 - 95 base 165 of 165 trails 100% open. 2965 acres. 16 of 18 lifts.Mon-Thu 8:30a-4:30p; Fri 6p-9p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4:30p; 6p-9p

Sunlight — Sat 5:48 am 2 new powder machine groomed 52 - 58 base 67 of 67 trails 100% open. 3 of 3 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p; Telluride — Sat 5:41 am 3 new powder machine groomed 71 - 71 base 89 of 93 trails 96% open. 18 of 18 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p

Vail — Sat 7:13 am 2 new packed powder machine groomed 64 - 64 base 193 of 193 trails 100% open. 5289 acres. 31 of 31 lifts.Mon-Fri 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p

Winter Park — Sat 5:29 am 2 new powder machine groomed 77 - 79 base 135 of 143 trails, 95% open. 2683 acres, 25 of 26 lifts.Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p

Wolf Creek — Sat 6:38 am 8 new powder machine groomed 97 - 99 base 77 of 77 trails 100% open, 42 miles, 1600 acres. 6 of 7 lifts.Mon-Fri 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30p-4p

Ashcroft XC — Sat 5:53 am 3 new powder machine groomed 66 - 78 base 12 of 20 trails 11 miles Mon-Fri; 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8a-4p;

Aspen/Snowmass XC — Sat 6:29 am 1 new packed powder machine groomed 12 - 20 base 14 of 15 trails, 53 miles Mon-Fri: 7a-5p; Sat/Sun: 7a-5p

Vail Nordic Center — Sat 7:47 am 1 new packed powder machine groomed 12 - 56 base 7 of 7 trails, 11 miles Mon-Fri: 8a-5p; Sat/Sun: 9a-5p

UTAH

Alta — Sat 7:45 am 8 new powder machine groomed 105 - 105 base 104 of 116 trails 90% open, 9 of 11 lifts.Mon-Fri: 9:15a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 9:15a-4:30p

Beaver Mountain — Sat 7:48 am 4 new powder machine groomed 81 - 81 base 48 of 48 trails,100% open, 4 of 6 lifts.Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

Brian Head — Sat 7:48 am 8 new MG machine groomed 46 - 46 base 58 of 71 trails 82% open, 6 of 9 lifts.Mon-Wed: 10a-4p; Thu/Fri: 10a-8p; Sat: 9:30a-8p; Sun: 9:30a-4:30p

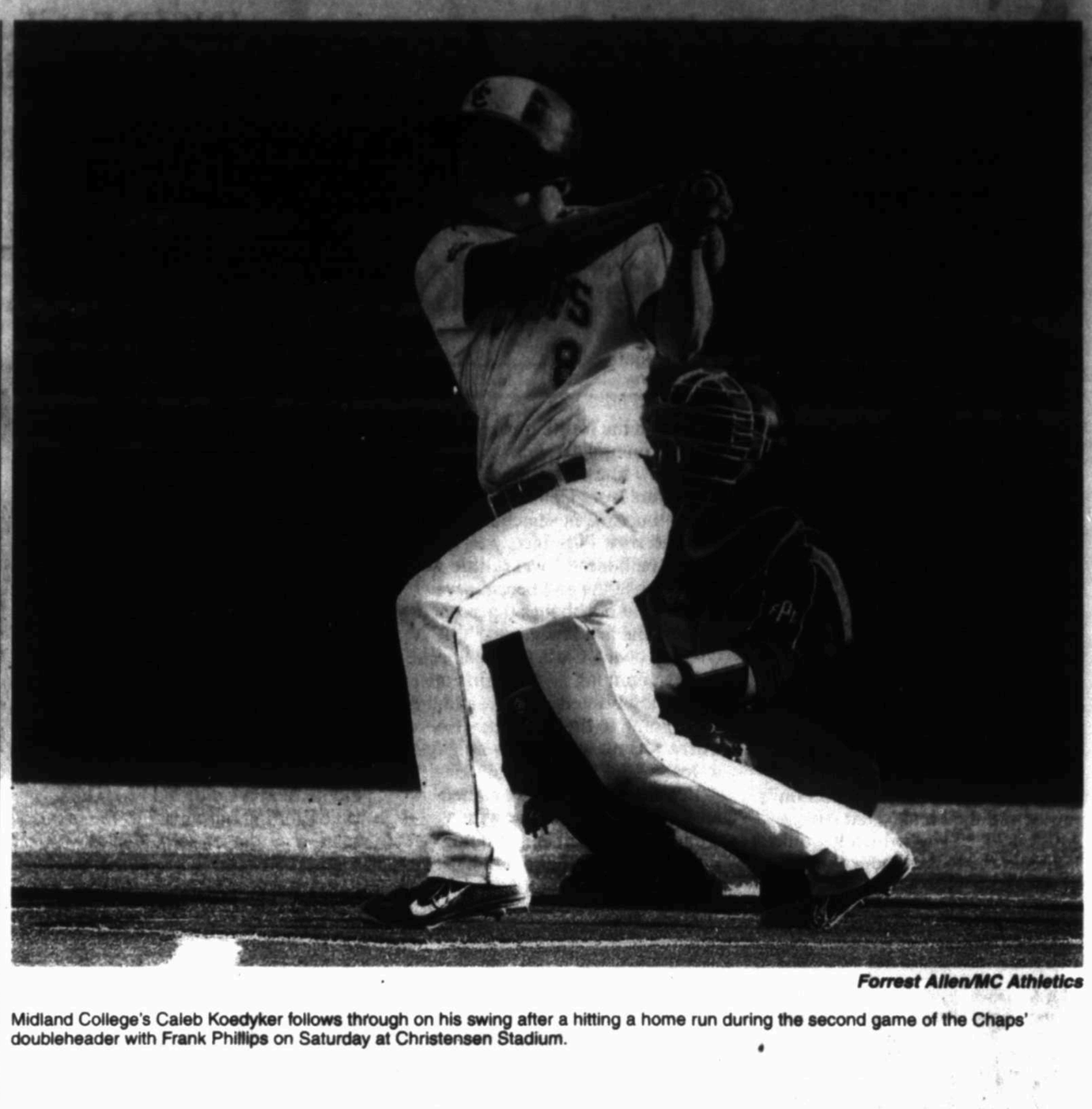
Brighton — Sat 7:46 am 8 new powder machine groomed 66 - 66 base 55 of 66 trails 84% open, 6 of 7 lifts.Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

Canyons — Sat 7:55 am 5 new powder machine groomed 66 - 94 base 170 of 183 trails 94% open, 3660 acres, 19 of 19 lifts.Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

Deer Valley — Sat 5:20 am 8 new powder machine groomed 81 - 81 base 100 of 100 trails,100% open, 21 of 21 lifts.Mon-Fri: 8a-4:15p; Sat/Sun: 8a-4:15p

Eagle Point — Sat 5:30 am 6 new packed powder machine groomed 62 - 62 base 35 of 40 trails 88% open, 6 of 8 lifts. Thu-Fri: 9:30a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 9:30a-4:30p

Park City — Sat 7:22 am 8 new packed powder machine groomed 81 - 81 base 113 of 116 trails 100% open, 16 of 16 lifts.Mon-Fri: 8a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8a-4p

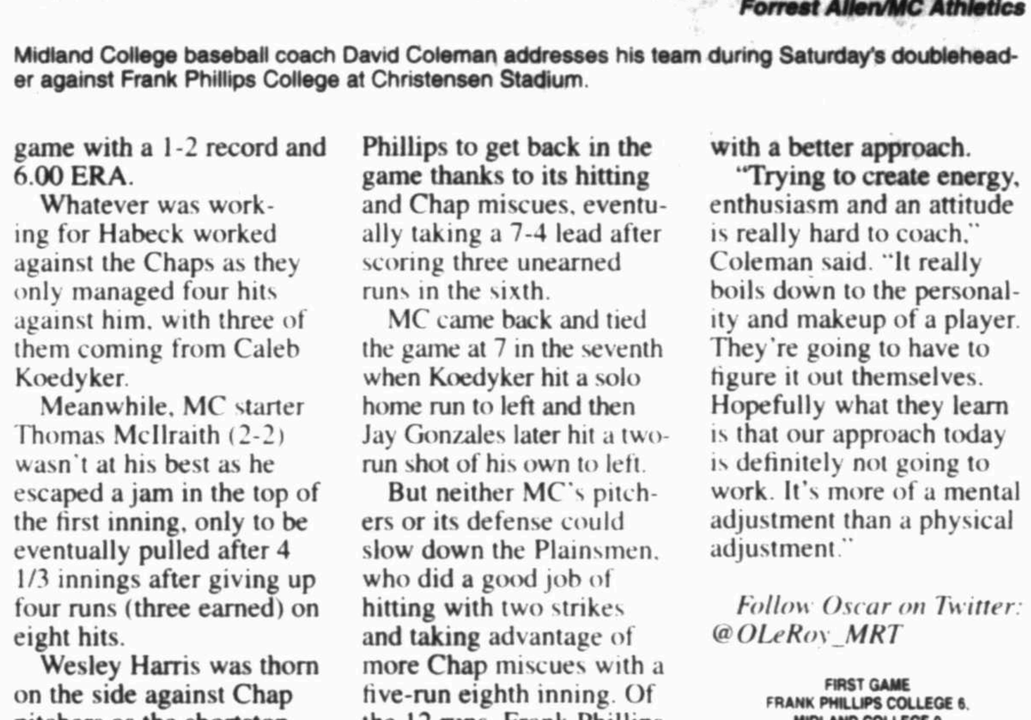


Forrest Allen/MC Athletics

Midland College's Caleb Koedyker follows through on his swing after a hitting a home run during the second game of the Chaps' doubleheader with Frank Phillips on Saturday at Christensen Stadium.

Chaps lose twinbill vs. Frank Phillips

Plainsmen	6-12
Chaparrals	0-7



Forrest Allen/MC Athletics

Midland College baseball coach David Coleman addresses his team during Saturday's doubleheader against Frank Phillips College at Christensen Stadium.

By Oscar LeRoy
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It wasn't difficult for Midland College baseball coach David Coleman to analyze the day after his Chaparrals were swept in a doubleheader by Frank Phillips College to begin Western Junior College Athletic Conference play.

"We just got our butts beat," Coleman said.

There was probably no better way to describe what happened to the Chaps on a beautiful afternoon at Christensen Stadium. MC managed just four hits in a 6-0 loss in the first game and then in the second game the Plainsmen had 17 hits and took advantage of five Chap errors for a 12-7 victory.

"They out-played us in every phase of the game, and they out-competed us," said Coleman about Frank Phillips, which is now 7-6, 2-0 in WJCAC play. "I think they showed up ready to win and we just flat didn't perform very well."

This wasn't the kind of start the Chaps (8-6, 0-2) envisioned to begin WJCAC play, especially coming off a season in which they not only won the conference title but made the program's first trip to the Juco World Series. Coleman said he didn't believe his team was flat, but maybe that the expectations got a little too big for his team.

"I saw today tightness, an anxiety and a press," Coleman said. "The other group I saw looseness, fun, competing and getting after it, and that always wins. I saw it early when we first started the season, which was to be expected. I certainly wasn't expecting it today, but it was sure there."

That tightness showed in the first game when the Chaps were handcuffed by Frank Phillips starter, Marc-Andre Habeck, a Canadian sophomore right-hander who came into the game with a 1-2 record and 6.00 ERA.

Whatever was working for Habeck worked against the Chaps as they only managed four hits against him, with three of them coming from Caleb Koedyker.

Meanwhile, MC starter Thomas McIlraith (2-2) wasn't at his best as he escaped a jam in the top of the first inning, only to be eventually pulled after 4 1/3 innings after giving up four runs (three earned) on eight hits.

Wesley Harris was thorn on the side against Chap pitchers as the shortstop went 3 for 4 with a double, RBI, two runs scored and two stolen bases in the first game.

The Chaps had a better start to the second game as they scored four runs in the first inning — two of which coming off a Chris Thibedeau home run to right — to chase FPC starter Walker Wharton.

But give Plainsmen reliever Trevor Rawlett credit as he came into the game in the first inning and slowed down the Chap offense.

That allowed Frank Phillips to get back in the game thanks to its hitting and Chap miscues, eventually taking a 7-4 lead after scoring three unearned runs in the sixth.

MC came back and tied the game at 7 in the seventh when Koedyker hit a solo home run to left and then Jay Gonzales later hit a two-run shot of his own to left.

But neither MC's pitchers or its defense could slow down the Plainsmen, who did a good job of hitting with two strikes and taking advantage of more Chap miscues with a five-run eighth inning. Of the 12 runs, Frank Phillips scored in game, only five of them were earned.

"The guy who invented the game was pretty smart when he put three (outs)," Coleman said. "Because any time you stretch it to four and five outs and don't make just routine plays, it comes back to bite you."

The Chaps will now look to regroup and try to salvage at least a split against the Plainmen with another doubleheader beginning at noon today at Christensen Stadium. Coleman said he hopes his team comes in with a better approach.

"Trying to create energy, enthusiasm and an attitude is really hard to coach," Coleman said. "It really boils down to the personality and makeup of a player. They're going to have to figure it out themselves. Hopefully what they learn is that our approach today is definitely not going to work. It's more of a mental adjustment than a physical adjustment."

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FIRST GAME
FRANK PHILLIPS COLLEGE 6, MIDLAND COLLEGE 0

Frank Phillips	001	003	1	—6 11 1
Midland College	000	000	0	—0 4 3

Marc-Andre Habeck and John Baiada. Thomas McIlraith, Dustin Angel (5) and Chris Shaw. W — Habeck (2-2). L — McIlraith (2-2). 2B — FPC: John Baiada, Wesley Harris, John Razo; Nicholas Sanchez. RBI — FPC: Harris, Jarryd Klemm, Josh Razo, Ben McKenzie.

SECOND GAME
FRANK PHILLIPS 12, MIDLAND COLLEGE 7

Frank Phillips	010	033	050	—12 17 0
Midland College	400	000	300	—7 13 5

Walker Wharton, Trevor Rawlett (1), German Hernandez (7) and Baiada. Michael Brosig, Clay O'Dell (6), Aaron Rumfield (8), Sebastian Palacios (8), Francisco Cervantes (9) and Bryndan Arredondo. W — Hernandez (5-1). L — O'Dell (1-1). 2B — FPC: Ben McKenzie, William Hairston Razo, Sanchez; MC: Jay Gonzales, Richie Furline, Shaw. HR — MC: Chris Thibedeau (2), Koedyker (2), Gonzales (1). RBI — FPC: Harris 2, Razo 2, Sanchez 2, Chad Brown; MC: Thibedeau 2, Gonzales 2, Shaw, Darren Alexander.

Records: Midland College 8-6, 0-2 in WJCAC. Frank Phillips 7-6, 2-0.

Next: Frank Phillips College at Midland College (DH), noon today

Red Raiders baseball falls to Sam Houston

Bearkats	10
Red Raiders	6

From staff reports

HOUSTON — The Texas Tech baseball team dropped back-to-back games for the first time this season with a 10-6 loss Saturday afternoon against Sam Houston State in day two of the Houston College Classic at Minute Maid Park.

The Red Raiders (8-3) allowed a season-high 15 hits to the Bearkats (10-1) and finished the game leaving 12 runners on base while all nine starting Red Raiders reached base safely in the contest.

Sophomore right-handed pitcher and Midland Christian grad Matt Withrow (1-1) took his first loss of the season allowing six runs, five hits, two walks and two hit-by-pitch with two strikeouts in 2 2/3 innings.

Sam Houston State relief pitcher Sam Odom (2-0) earned his second win this season pitching 4 1/3 innings out of the bullpen allowing just one run on three hits with three strikeouts and a walk.

Texas Tech senior third baseman Jake Barrios went 2-for-4 with two runs scored, freshman shortstop Ryan Long went 2-for-3 with a double, two walks and an RBI, and senior right fielder Adam Kirsch extended his hit streak to 10 games going 1-for-5 with an RBI single in the first inning.

The Bearkats took a 6-2 lead in the second, sparked by their second home run of the game — a two-run shot over the right field wall by right fielder Hayden Simerly. Sam Houston State first baseman Ryan O'Hearn went 2-for-4 in the game with four RBI hitting a solo homer in the first and a two-run home run in the sixth.



MC drops two games at Juco Leadoff Classic

From staff reports

COLUMBUS, Ga. — The Midland College softball team lost two games at the NFCA Juco Leadoff Classic played on Saturday.

The Lady Chaparrals lost to Land Lake (Ill.) College in their final pool game and then lost to Spartanburg (S.C.) Community College, 8-2 in Silver Bracket play.

"It's not like we didn't have opportunities and the scores don't indicate how close those games were," said MC coach Tommy Ramos, who remains stuck at 699 career victories. "I think we played really well but we couldn't get a timely hit."

Ramos said Kelcey Gomez and Melissa Zuniga hit well, while pitchers Shelby Weissenbach and Dominique Alcocer threw well.

No further statistics were available.

The Lady Chaps (11-6) will next play Indian Hills (Iowa) Community College at 8 a.m. (CST) in bracket play. If MC wins, it plays in the consolation final of the Silver Bracket at noon (today), but a loss would eliminate the Lady Chaps from tournament play.

Bushland boys win Region I-2A title

From staff reports

The Bushland boys basketball team never gave itself a chance to celebrate this season. The Falcons won a district championship on their home floor and weren't even celebrating much after playoff victories.

Bushland was way too focused on winning a regional title to celebrate. But when the Falcons pulled away from Brownfield in Saturday's Region I-2A boys final on Saturday at Chaparral Center, the team began its celebration.

Bushland beat Brownfield 63-47, pulling away late in a game where the Falcons seemed to have control for much of the second half.

"Last year we had a bad taste in our mouths, and we knew what we wanted to do, and we executed it," said Bushland Taylor Cornelius, who had a double-double of 16 points and 12 rebounds. "It's always been a goal, and now it's the next stop."

Bushland will make its first trip to the Class 2A state tournament next week and is the first team since 2009 not named Idalou to represent Region I in boys. The Falcons knocked off the Wildcats during the regional quarterfinals.

The Falcons (27-8) made a point of competing in the Byron Johnston Holiday Classic this year to get experience in the Chaparral Center, and it seemed it paid off with some hardware.

"The kids were composed, and we had a 10-point lead and those guys cut it," Bushland coach Steve Rhodes said. "I think all the stuff that we did was prep for what just happened. They are relentless, and they are focused. This is the first time we've celebrated."

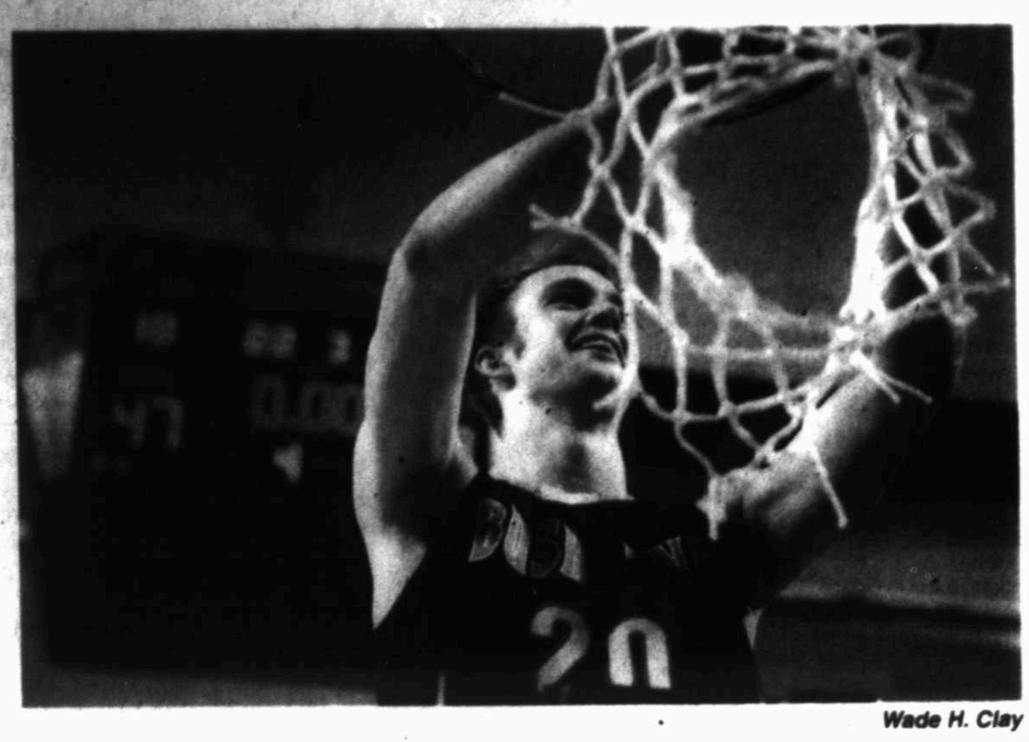
The Falcons held a slim 24-23 lead at halftime but then began to extend that lead in the third quarter with a 12-4 run that ended with Colter Cornelius hitting a bucket with 3:55 left in the third to take it to 36-29.

That was the closest the Cubs came the rest of the game. Bushland outscored Brownfield 18-11 in the fourth quarter to clinch the victory.

"It was free throws and getting out in transition and making easy buckets," said Taylor Cornelius.

Bayler Andrews led Bushland with 22 points, while Colter Cornelius scored 16 points.

Sha'Colby Hill led Brownfield with 22 points and finished the season at 25-7.



Wade H. Clay

Bushland's Bayler Andrews takes his turn at cutting down the net after the Falcon's victory Saturday afternoon in the UIL Region I-2A final Saturday at the Chaparral Center.

REGION I-2A BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP
BUSHLAND 63, BROWNFIELD 47

Bushland (27-8) — Teagan Shelton 2; Colter Cornelius 16; Taylor Cornelius 16; Bayler Andrews 22; Josh Richardson 4; Tate Smallegan 3.
Brownfield (25-7) — Jordan Demps 3; Elisio Salas 4; Korey Nolan 2; J.T. Saenz 2; Coby Serrantez 2; Sha'Colby Hill 22; Malcom Rainwater 2; Jazreel Griffin 6; Alex McCray 1.

Bushland	13	11	21	18—63
Brownfield	9	14	13	11—47

Free throws — Bushland 25-33; Brownfield 14-29. 3-point goals — Bushland 1 (C. Cornelius); Brownfield 3 (Demps, Salas, Hill). Total fouls — Bushland 26; Brownfield 24. Fouled out — Bushland 7, Cornelius; Brownfield, Salas.

BB/SBROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Softball

MCS DROPS FINAL 2 OF TOURNEY

SEMINOLE — The Lady Mustangs lost their final two games of the Seminole Tournament on Saturday, dropping a 6-3 decision to Crane before losing to El Paso Eastlake, 9-6.

Midland Christian was its own worst enemy against Crane, committing six errors in the loss. Only one of Crane's runs was earned — a home run in the first inning.

MCS also got a home run in the game with Courtney Monk leaving the yard in the second inning.

The Lady Mustangs were tied 3-3 with Eastlake after two innings, but a six-run third inning allowed the Lady Falcons to take control. Adriana Berzoza had three RBI to lead the Lady Mustangs.

CRANE 6, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 3

Crane	300	030	—6	5 2
MCS	010	020	—3	2 6

Ortiz and Baeza. Maddie Garcia and Chelsea Cross. W — Ortiz. L — Garcia. HR — Crane. McWilliams; MCS, Courtney Monk.

EL PASO EASTLAKE 9, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 6

Eastlake	216	00	—9	8 1
MCS	210	03	—6	7 1

Arellano and Brant. Caity Beeson, Maddie Garcia (3) and Chelsea Cross. W — Arellano. L — Beeson. 2B — EPE, Vasquez; Spence. MCS, Adriana Berzoza, Desiree Gaona.

Record: MCS 13-7

Next: Lamesa at Midland Christian, 5 p.m. Tuesday

Baseball

MCS SPLITS IN AUSTIN

AUSTIN — Midland Christian won one game and lost another on the final day of the Langerhans Tournament on Saturday.

The Mustangs (11-7) lost 8-7 to Round Rock Westwood, but then rebounded to beat Austin Westlake 7-0.

In the loss to Westwood, the Mustangs battled back from a 6-2 deficit to take a 7-6 lead with five runs in the fifth inning. But Westwood scored two runs in the sixth to clinch the victory.

Nathan Slater was 2 for 3 in the game with two RBI.

Nolan Schattel threw a two-hit shutout against the Chaparrals as the Mustangs scored all seven of their runs in the first inning.

Schattell had five strikeouts and two walks as he improved to 3-0 this season. He was also 2 for 3 at the plate with two RBI, and Austin Robles was 1 for 2 with two RBI.

On Friday, Midland Christian lost to Lake Travis 8-7, and beat Austin Anderson 9-4.

Midland Christian will return action on Thursday at the First Bank Classic in Lubbock.

ROUND ROCK WESTWOOD 8, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 7

RR Westwood	320	102	0	—8 12 3
MCS	200	050	0	—7 7 1

Hunter Boly, Smith (5) and Lee. Grant Little, Elias Aguirre (3) and Nolan Schattel. Nathan Slater (4) W — Smith. L — Aguirre. 2B — RR Westwood McCandney, Guarla. MCS, Slater 2, Jarrod Koym. HR — RR Westwood, Boly.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 7, AUSTIN WESTLAKE 0

MCS	700	000	0	—7 7 0
Westlake	000	000	0	—0 2 1

Nolan Schattel and Nathan Slater. Justin Fender (6), Lucas Goldberg, Benning (2) and Dickey. W — Schattel (3-0). L — Goldberg. 2B — MCS, Austin Robles, Elias Aguirre.

Record: Midland Christian 11-7

Next: Midland Christian at First Bank Classic, Thursday, March 3

UTPBROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MEN'S BASKETBALL MCMURRY CLIPS THE FALCONS IN OT

ODESSA — Thiago Randazzo made a layup with 1:07 left in overtime and then McMurry University held on for a 95-94 victory over the UTPB men's basketball team at the Falcon Dome on Saturday.

The Falcons (16-10, 10-8 in Heartland Conference) had a chance to win it in regulation when Phadarius Taylor converted a three-point play with 18 seconds remaining for an 89-87 lead. But the War Hawks (12-15, 7-11) tied the game at 89 when Kourtney Goff made a layup with 1 second left.

Madison Turner led UTPB with 18 points, Dwayne Soders had 15, Anthony Dees and Taylor each had 14, and Keith Martin added 12.

Connor Robinson had a game-high 24 points, Randazzo had 21, Alfred Perez had 18 and Hondo Webb chipped in with 16.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL LADY FALCONS BEAT MCMURRY

ODESSA — Valerie Barriga scored 24 points to lead the UTPB women's basketball team to a 70-57 victory over McMurry University Saturday at the Falcon Dome.

Midland High grad Keshia Collins scored a game-high 31 points for McMurry (3-23, 3-13 in Heartland Conference), which was held to 36.8 percent shooting and turned the ball over 18 times.

The Lady Falcons (7-18, 6-14) took a 35-31 halftime advantage.

In addition to Barriga's 24, Jocelyn Cook added 14 points and Keyondra White added 10.

BASEBALL ST. EDWARD'S ROLLS PAST FALCONS

ODESSA — St. Edward's had 14 hits and took advantage of three UTPB errors for a 12-3 victory over the Falcons at Roden Field on Saturday.

UTPB (9-10, 1-2 in Heartland Conference) had a 2-0 lead through three innings before St. Edward's scored three runs in the fourth and four more in the fifth. St. Edward's added a five-run ninth.

The Falcons were held to just four hits with Andrew Grifol getting two of them.

Lance Fairchild (0-1) took the loss after allowing seven runs (four earned) on 11 hits in 7 2/3 innings.

SOFTBALL OCU DEFEATS LADY FALCONS 6-2

ODESSA — Courtney Starr had two, including a three-run home run, to help Oklahoma Christian University to a 6-2 victory over UTPB on Saturday.

UTPB (4-15, 1-2 in Heartland Conference) had five hits and committed four errors.

Desiree Valero (1-10) took the loss for the Lady Falcons.

UILSTATECHAMPIONSHIPROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Class 5A

MANVEL ENDS DUNCANVILLE PERFECTION 58-53

AUSTIN — Brianna Turner had 17 points and 17 rebounds and Manvel stunned two-time defending champion Duncanville 58-53 Saturday night, winning the Class 5A state title and ending Duncanville's 105-game unbeaten streak.

Turner, one of the top-rated players in the country who has signed with Notre Dame, scored all of her points in the second half.

Duncanville guard Ariel Atkins, who has signed with Texas, scored 24 points, but fouled out early in the fourth quarter. Duncanville had four starters foul out in dropping its first loss since Dec. 3, 2011.

Turner's scored nine points in the fourth quarter and her layup with 1:51 to play put Manvel ahead 52-51.

Jordan Hosey scored 14 points and Rangie Bessard added 10 points for Manvel (38-2), which won its first state title.

Class 4A

CANYON BEATS MCKINNEY NORTH 49-42

AUSTIN — Madison Parker scored 18 points and Canyon made eight consecutive free throws in the final 59 seconds to beat McKinney North 49-42 to win the Class 4A state championship.

Canyon was 11 of 21 from the line before making 11 consecutive free throws over the final 3 minutes. Canyon won its eighth championship since 2000.

Caitlyn Cunyus added 12 points and a big defensive rebound in the final seconds as Parker made four free throws in the final 13 seconds to seal the victory.

Canyon (34-4) is 16-0 at the state tournament since 2000. Canyon's last defeat at the state tournament came in the 1999 championship game.

Mikkehla Connor scored 13 to lead McKinney North (29-5) which was playing in its first state tournament.

For Canyon coach Joe Lombard it was career championship No. 16 and his 10th at Canyon. Just before his victory, Lombard's son Tate coached Wall to the Class 2A championship. The coaches and teams posed together for a photograph holding their trophies and medals as fans for both schools chanted "Lombard Nation!"

Class 3A

UNBEATEN WACO LA VEGA UPENDS ARGYLE 47-42

AUSTIN — Sophomore guard Calveion Landrum scored 23 points as top-ranked Waco La Vega rallied from a 25-24 halftime deficit Saturday to claim its first girls state basketball title by beating Argyle 47-42 in the UIL Class 3A finals.

Landrum had a stunning pass in the paint to Erin DeGrate with 42 seconds remaining to give the Pirates (35-0) a six-point lead. Argyle added a layup with 32 seconds left but La Vega hit late free throws to seal the win.

DeGrate finished with 12 points and 12 rebounds while teammate Faith Dimerson added eight points and four steals.

Delaney Sain and Vivian Gray led Argyle with 14 points each. Gray scored six of her points in the first quarter when an 8-0 Argyle run gave the Eagles (36-2) their biggest lead of the game at 12-6.

Class 2A

WALL PULLS OFF UPSET IN DEFEATING BROCK 48-44

AUSTIN — The Wall Lady Hawks pulled off a startling upset Saturday by upending five-time defending champion Brock 48-44 in the UIL Class 2A state basketball final.

Wall (35-4) recorded five blocked shots, forced 14 turnovers and had a 24-22 rebounding advantage. Brock (35-3) took more shots from beyond the three-point line, 21, than inside, 15.

Maddi Chitsey scored 21 points and sister Bobbi Chitsey added 12 with six rebounds as the Lady Hawks built a 20-15 halftime lead and never trailed in the second half.

Wall used a tenacious matchup zone to deny Brock inside scoring opportunities but the Lady Eagles stayed close by connecting on seven three-pointers.

Rachel Harrell led Brock's offense with 15 points and five rebounds while Rachel Williams added 10 points.

Class 1A, Division I

PLAINS RACES PAST KERENS 57-44

AUSTIN — Plains guard Daitlyne Broome scored six of her 10 points in the final 5:26 of the fourth quarter to lead the Cowgirls to their first state basketball title with a 57-44 win over Kerens.

With the Class 1A Division 1 game tied at 39, Broome drained four free throws and scored on a fast break layup as Plains (30-3) took a 45-39 lead.

Plains extended its lead as Riley Earnest scored six of her game-high 17 points and Madison Davis added a bucket during an 18-3 run.

Plains trailed toward the end of the third quarter but Sienna Sosa sank three free throws to give the Cowgirls a 37-35 lead they never surrendered.

Sosa finished with 13 points while Tori Reyes had 13 rebounds for Plains. Taylor Ames led Kerens (29-5) with 11 points.

Class 1A, Division II

NAZARETH BEATS CALVERT 82-41

AUSTIN — Rebekah Van Dijk had 14 points and 18 rebounds and Nazareth rolled to the 19th state championship in program history, beating Calvert 82-41 Saturday night for the Class 1A Division II title.

Nazareth (36-2) just missed the 1A championship game record for points scored (86) set by Sulphur Springs North Hopkins in 1958. Nazareth still scored the most points in a championship game in any class since 1983.

The 6-foot-4 Van Dijk, who has signed with Texas-Arlington, led a dominant effort on the boards as Nazareth outrebounded Calvert 63-23.

Nazareth trailed 9-4 late in the first quarter before taking control with an 18-4 run. Nazareth outscored Calvert 27-13 in the second and led 35-22 at halftime.

Jaylonn Walker scored 22 points for Calvert (25-2), which shot 20 percent.

BOYS BASKETBALL PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

Boys

Class 5A
Region I
Bi-district

Keller (23-5, W4) 58, Fort Worth Paschal 49
Odessa Permian (15-7, T2) 63, El Paso Bel Air 59 2OT
Richland (19-10, F4) 65, Arlington Martin 64
Lubbock Coronado (24-6, R2) 43, El Paso Montwood 39
Killeen Harker Heights (26-4, W8) 53, Cedar Hill 33
Flower Mound Marcus (25-4, R5) 75, Irving 44
DeSoto (27-3, W7) 42, Killeen 33
Lewisville (20-8, T3) 66, Irving MacArthur 54
Tascosa (25-1, W2) 62, El Paso Franklin 44
Arlington Bowie (25-4, R3) 47, Justin Northwest 42
El Paso Coronado (23-4, W1) 51, Midland High 36
Keller Fossil Ridge (22-8, R4) 55, Arlington Lamar 46
Coppell (22-12, F5) 47, Euless Trinity 43
Duncanville (18-11, R7) 63, Copperas Cove 59
Lewisville Hebron (24-7, W5) 44, Irving Nimitz 40
South Grand Prairie (23-6, T7) 64, Killeen Shoemaker 61 2OT

Area
Keller (24-5, W4) 59, Odessa Permian 53
Lubbock Coronado (25-5, R2) 55, Richland 50
Killeen Harker Heights (27-4, W8) 63, Flower Mound Marcus 62
DeSoto (27-3, W7) 63, Lewisville 49
Arlington Bowie (25-4, R3) 65, Amarillo Tascosa 64
El Paso Coronado (24-4, W1) 50, Keller Fossil Ridge 49
Duncanville (19-11, R7) 54, Coppell 44 OT
Lewisville Hebron (25-7, W5) 44, South Grand Prairie 36

Regional Quarterfinals
Lubbock Coronado (26-4, R2) 55, Keller 48
DeSoto (27-3, W7) 65, Killeen Harker Heights 43
Arlington Bowie (26-4, R3) 65, El Paso Coronado 49
Lewisville Hebron (26-7, W5) 52, Duncanville 44

Region I-5A Tournament
TCU's Meyer Coliseum
Fort Worth

Friday's Semifinals
DeSoto (29-3, W7) 55, Lubbock Coronado 38
Arlington Bowie (27-4, R3) 42, Lewisville Hebron 40

Saturday's Final
DeSoto (30-3) 59, Arlington Bowie 51

Class 3A
Region I
Bi-district

Abilene Wylie (26-3, W4) 72, Fort Stockton 51
Lubbock Cooper (20-12, T2) 60, Dalhart 55
Fabens (17-11, W3) 66, Greenwood 56
Lubbock Estacado (19-11, R2) 78, Pampa 46
Burnet (20-12, W8) 61, Venus 28
Wichita Falls Hirschi (16-12, R5) 63, Mineral Wells 62
Stephenville (12-14, W7) 66, Lampasas 40
Springtown (15-15, R6) 81, Vernon 72
Shallowater (30-4, W2) 74, Borger 43
Big Spring (13-11, T4) 63, Pecos 44
Seminole (15-12, F2) 55, Perryton 36
Monahans (26-6, R4) 73, Presidio 43
Kennedale (34-0, W6) 82, Iowa Park 47
Llano (20-13, T8) 55, Alvarado 49
Burkburnett (23-6, W5) 88, Fort Worth Castleberry 44
Glen Rose (16-11, T7) 47, Liberty Hill 46

Area
Abilene Wylie (27-3, W4) 66, Lubbock Cooper 46
Lubbock Estacado (20-11, T2) 87, Fabens 55
Wichita Falls Hirschi (17-12, R6) 70, Burnet 56
Stephenville (13-14, W7) 71, Springtown 41
Shallowater (31-4, W2) 65, Big Spring 57
Monahans (27-6, R4) 56, Seminole 42
Kennedale (35-0, W6) 91, Llano 35
Burkburnett (24-6, W5) 83, Glen Rose 44

Regional Quarterfinals
Abilene Wylie (28-3, W4) 74, Lubbock Estacado 57
Stephenville (14-14, W7) 67, Wichita Falls Hirschi 56
Shallowater (32-4, W2) 61, Monahans 50
Kennedale (36-0, W6) 88, Burkburnett 74

Region I-3A Tournament
United Spirit Arena
Lubbock

Friday's Semifinals
Stephenville (15-14, W7) 75, Abilene Wylie 73
Kennedale (37-0, W6) 87, Shallowater 82 OT

Saturday's Final
Kennedale (38-0) 70, Stephenville 39

Class 2A
Region I
Bi-district

Brownfield (20-5, W4) 81, Floydada 50
Canadian (18-4, R1) 62, Muleshoe 53
Childress (27-4, W5) 60, Stanton 44
Littlefield (20-9, R2) 69, Boys Ranch 43
Cisco (13-7, F7) 45, Holliday 35
Kermit (24-5, R6) 68, Early 44
Breckenridge (25-1, W7) 59, Nocona 42
Bangs (18-8, R6) 49, Reagan County 42
Abernathy (26-1, W2) 50, Spearman 17
Idalou (17-13, R3) 60, Lamesa 47
Bushland (22-8, W1) 60, Dimmitt 26
Denver City (19-6, R4) 79, Slaton 53
Wall (15-0, W6) 75, Alpine 44
Eastland (R7) 57, Henrietta 49
Jim Ned (R8) 74, Tomball 62
Comanche (T7) 94, Bowie 51

Area
Brownfield (22-5, W4) 54, Canadian 47 OT
Littlefield (21-9, R2) 55, Childress 53
Kermit (25-5, R6) 69, Cisco 62
Breckenridge (26-1, W7) 59, Bangs 37
Idalou (18-13, R3) 39, Abernathy 28
Bushland (23-8, W1) 48, Denver City 45
Wall (16-0, W6) 54, Eastland 44
Comanche (T7) 60, Jim Ned 41

Region Quarterfinal
Brownfield (23-5, W4) 77, Littlefield 67
Breckenridge (27-1, W7) 62, Kermit 60
Bushland (23-8, W1) 54, Idalou 38
Wall (17-0, W6) 52, Comanche 50

Region I-2A Tournament
Chaparral Center

Friday's Semifinals
Brownfield (24-5, W4) 62, Breckenridge 57
Bushland (24-8, W1) 66, Wall 54

Saturday's Final
Bushland (25-8) 63, Brownfield 47

Class A Division I
Region I
Bi-district

Hale Center (17-7, W4) bye
Gruver (23-6, R1) 52, Vega 46
Panhandle (18-5, W2) bye
Wellington (11-3, R3) 72, Lockney 45
San Angelo TLCA (19-4, W8) bye
Tahoka (14-11, T6) 53, Sudan 37
Smyer (24-5, W6) bye
Iraan County (14-13, T8) 61, Fort Hancock 57 OT
Shamrock (19-5, W3) bye
Booker (7-12, T1) 51, Claude 42
Stratford (14-5, W1) bye
Memphis (19-6, T3) 66, New Deal 40
Iraan (18-6, W7) bye
Forsan (18-7, R6) 68, Morton 60
Farwell (19-8, W5), bye
Christoval (17-8, R8) 63, Wink 48

Area
Hale Center (18-7, W4) 65, Gruver 48
Panhandle (19-5, W2) 58, Wellington 55
Tahoka (15-11, T6) 81, San Angelo TLCA 78
Smyer (25-5, W6) 90, Iraan County 35
Shamrock (20-5, W3) 54, Booker 44
Memphis (20-6, T3) 66, Stratford 63
Forsan (19-7, R6) 62, Iraan 50
Farwell (20-8, W5) 62, Christoval 41

Region Quarterfinals
Panhandle (20-5, W2) 59, Hale Center 52
Smyer (26-5, W6) 73, Tahoka 50
Shamrock (21-5, T3) 63, Shamrock 52
Farwell (21-8, W5) 50, Forsan 45

Region I-A Division I Tournament
Texas Dome
Levelland

Friday's Semifinals
Smyer (27-5, W6) 70, Panhandle 56
Memphis (22-6, T3) 45, Farwell 35

Saturday's Final
Smyer (28-5) 56, Memphis 51

Class A Division II
Region I
Bi-district

Anton (20-6, W4), bye
Darrouzett (18-7, R1) 70, Kress 55
Turkey Valley (16-9, W2), bye
Nazareth (20-11, R3) 54, Whitharral 42
Rankin (W5), bye
Meadow (21-6, R5) 45, Borden County 36
Grady (W8), bye
Stanton (T3) 40, Fort Davis 32
Textine (23-3, W3), bye
Fort Elliott (T1) 51, Groom 47
Follett (10-4, W1) bye
Happy (12-12, T5) 48, Whiteface 43
Dell City (W7), bye
Sands (R6) 64, Ropes 54
Petersburg (19-2, W5) bye
Balmorhea (T7) 60, Grandfalls-Royalty 43

Area
Anton (21-6, W4) 52, Darrouzett 45
Nazareth (21-11, R3) 67, Turkey Valley 39
Meadow (22-6, R5) 66, Rankin 39
Grady (21-6, W8) 78, Sanderson 31
Textine (24-3, W3) 84, Fort Elliott 48
Happy (13-12, T3) 38, Follett 34
Sands (R6) 78, Dell City 49
Petersburg (19-2, W5) 30, Balmorhea 21

Region Quarterfinals
Nazareth (22-11, R3) 55, Anton 38
Grady (22-6, W8) 63, Meadow 49
Textine (25-3, W3) 73, Happy 38
Sands (R6) 45, Petersburg 37

Region I-A Division II Tournament
Texas Dome
Levelland

Friday's Semifinals
Nazareth (25-11, R3) 38, Grady 33
Textine (26-3, W3) 60, Sands 50

Saturday's Final
Nazareth (24-11) 58, Textine 49

Region II
Bi-district

Eula (W12), bye
Jayton (R8) 68, Chillicothe 41
Crowell (W10), bye
Throckmorton (R11) 61, Lueders-Avoca 26
Mullin (W16), bye
Bronte (T14) 49, Highland 26
Water Valley (W14), bye
Cross Plains (R15) 49, Blanket 31
Grafford (W11), bye
Knox City (R10) 64, Guthrie 48
Spur (W9), bye
Trent (R12) 43, Bryson 28
May (W15), bye
Garden City (R14) 51, Roscoe 39
Iris (W13), bye
Zephyr (R16) 49, Panther Creek 42

Area
Eula (W12) 68, Jayton 53
Crowell (W10) 78, Throckmorton 72
Bronte (T14) 40, Mullin 31
Water Valley (W14) 59, Cross Plains 38
Grafford (W11) 63, Knox City 54
Trent (R12) 56, Spur 52 2OT
Garden City (R14) 50, May 37
Iris (W13) 65, Zephyr 37

Regional Quarterfinals
Crowell (W10) 60, Eula 51
Water Valley (W14) 63, Bronte 20
Grafford (W11) 57, Trent 29
Iris (W13) 66, Garden City 62, OT

Region II-A Division II Tournament
Moody Coliseum
Abilene

Friday's Semifinals
Water Valley (W14) 66, Crowell 53
Grafford (W11) 69, Iris 65 2OT

Saturday's Final
Water Valley 58, Grafford 25

Rebels, Bronchos end 2A game in a 1-1 draw



Odessa High's Jose Ceniceros, left, and Jonathan Alvarez, top, jump over Lee's Darius Strambler on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium. The Bronchos and the Rebels ended the match in a 1-1 tie. Lee's Cesar Gonzalez scored the Rebels' lone goal in the 75th minute.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

By Justin Oaks
MRT Correspondent

Persistence paid off for the Lee boys soccer team in the form of a 1-1 draw against Odessa High on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

The Rebels (5-3-2, 17 points), rested and fresh after coming off of a bye, were given all they could handle by the Bronchos (4-4-3, 15 points), who played a defense-intensive game from start to finish.

OHS drew first blood early, when Luis Olague scored in the 10th minute on a one-on-one challenge against goaltender Juan Baeza. The ball bounced off Baeza's hands, and Olague was there to knock it in. From there, the Bronchos seemed to maintain a prevent-style of play throughout the match.

"I think they were missing a couple of players today, so they did the smart thing," Lee coach Scott Hicks said. "They put one up top and nine back and that made it very difficult for us to score."

That's not to say that the Rebels didn't have their chances. Lee controlled possession of the ball for nearly the entire game. But the Rebels didn't find the back of the net until the 75th minute when Cesar Gonzalez battled to tie the score in heavy traffic.

Rebels	1
Bronchos	1

"There were a couple of deflections in front of the goal, and luckily I found an opening and was able to take advantage and knock it in," Gonzalez said. "I think we played well. We just had trouble scoring and didn't quite finish the way we could have."

It was definitely a reality check for the Rebels, and after the game, Hicks was very quick to remind his team that soccer can be a very unforgiving sport.

"That's how this game is sometimes, when one goal makes all the difference," Hicks said. "Sometimes you think you outplayed your opponent and the score doesn't necessarily reflect that."

The Rebels will take on San Angelo Central at 5 p.m .on Tuesday in San Angelo.

Coach fined by Newcastle for head-butt

Associated Press

LONDON — Newcastle manager Alan Pardew head-butted a player in an English Premier League game against Hull on Saturday, leading to a swift formal warning and $168,000 fine from his club, and the prospect of a lengthy suspension.

The confrontation unfolded in the 72nd minute when Hull midfielder David Meyler barged into Pardew as the player looked to retrieve the ball for a throw-in at KC Stadium. After squaring up to Meyler before moving his head in the direction of the player's face, Pardew was sent to the stands.

FA chairman Greg Dyke described Pardew's actions as "serious" after Newcastle's 4-1 win, and said an investigation would be opened.

Pardew's employers reacted quickly, holding talks with the manager and announcing his punishment hours later.

"His behavior was unacceptable and is not the behavior we expect from the manager of Newcastle United," the northeast club said on its website.

Pardew, whose job does not appear to be under immediate threat, accepted the formal warning and fine, Newcastle said.

"Alan unreservedly apologized immediately following the game to the player, to Hull City Football Club and its fans, and to the fans of Newcastle United," the club statement said.

HSSOCCERROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

LADY DAWGS SCORE 3 GOALS IN WIN OVER CORONADO

LUBBOCK — Adrienne Almodova had a goal and an assist as the Midland High girls soccer team rallied for a 3-1 victory against Lubbock Coronado on Saturday at McCool Stadium.

The Lady Bulldogs were down 1-0 just over five minutes into game after the Lady Mustangs scored.

But Almodova tied the game in the 21st minute on an unassisted goal. Less than 10 minutes later, the Lady Dawgs took the lead for good when Marli Martin scored off an assist from Sara Torres.

Sammi Barr scored the game's final goal in the 70th minute off an assist from Almodova.

Midland High improved to 7-2-2 with 23 points in District 2-5A and 8-5-2 overall. The Lady Bulldogs will have Tuesday off and then take on Odessa High at 2 p.m. next Saturday at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa.

DISTRICT 2-5A BOYS SOCCER STANDINGS

	District W	L	T	Pts.	Overall W	L	T
Amarillo Tascosa	9	1	1	28	13	1	1
Midland High	7	1	3	24	9	3	5
Lee	5	3	2	17	9	4	2
Abilene Cooper	5	3	2	17	7	3	4
Odessa High	4	3	3	15	8	5	3
Odessa Permian	4	5	1	13	5	8	1
Abilene High	3	6	2	11	4	8	4
San Angelo Central	2	7	1	7	4	9	2
Lubbock Coronado	1	10	0	3	3	14	0

Note: 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie

Saturday's Scores
Midland High 6, Lubbock Coronado 1
Odessa High 1, Lee 1
Abilene Cooper 4, San Angelo Central 3
Amarillo Tascosa 2, Abilene High 1

Tuesday's Games
Lee at San Angelo Central
Odessa Permian at Abilene High
Abilene Cooper at Lubbock Coronado
All games at 5 p.m.

DISTRICT 2-5A GIRLS SOCCER STANDINGS

	District W	L	T	Pts.	Overall W	L	T
Odessa Permian	7	2	1	22	10	3	1
Midland High	7	2	2	23	9	5	2
Odessa High	7	3	2	23	8	4	4
San Angelo Central	6	3	1	21	9	5	0
Abilene Cooper	5	4	1	16	7	5	3
Lee	3	5	3	9	4	6	4
Abilene High	3	6	2	11	4	8	4
Amarillo Tascosa	2	7	0	6	2	9	2
Lubbock Coronado	1	10	0	3	3	12	1

Note: 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie

Saturday's Scores
Midland High 8, Lubbock Coronado 1
Odessa High 3, Lee 0
Abilene Cooper 3, San Angelo Central 2
Abilene High 2, Amarillo Tascosa 2

Tuesday's Games
Lee at San Angelo Central
Odessa Permian at Abilene High
Abilene Cooper at Lubbock Coronado
All games at 7 p.m.

Odessa.

ODESSA GIRLS SHUT OUT LEE

Odessa High's Kianna Barrera scored twice, and Emma Martinez added another goal as the Lady Bronchos took a 3-0 victory against Lee on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

Barrera scored in the 19th and 46th minutes, and Emma Martinez scored in the 30th minute for the Lady Bronchos.

Lee dropped to 2-5-3 with 9 points in District 2-5A and 4-6-4 overall, while Odessa High is now 7-2-2 with 23 points and is 8-4-4 overall.

The Lady Rebels will take on San Angelo Central at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

MUNOZ SCORES TWO IN MHS BOYS' WIN OVER CORONADO

LUBBOCK — Ricky Munoz scored two goals and had an assist as the Midland High boys soccer team rolled to a 6-1 victory against Lubbock Coronado in District 2-5A action on Saturday at McCool Field.

Munoz scored both of his goals in the first half and staked the Bulldogs (9-3-3 overall, 7-1-3, 24 points in 2-5A) to a 2-0 lead. Munoz first goal came in the 2nd minute when he finished off an assist from Homero Vazquez. He then scored off an assist from Alex VonHolle in the 19th minute.

Midland High then poured it on in the second half as Vazquez, Will Downing, VonHolle and Allen Aguilar all scored. Munoz and Marcus Davis each had assists.

The Bulldogs will take Tuesday off and then take on Odessa High at noon Saturday, March 8 at Ratliff Stadium in Odessa.

NASCARGLANCE

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Sprint Cup

After Friday qualifying; race today
At Phoenix International Raceway
Avondale, Ariz.
Lap length: 1 miles
(Car number in parentheses)

1. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 139.384
2. (22) Joey Logano, Ford, 139.265
3. (1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 138.969
4. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 138.35
5. (88) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 138.344
6. (16) Greg Biffle, Ford, 138.339
7. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 138.318
8. (42) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 138.318
9. (43) Aric Almirola, Ford, 138.281
10. (41) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 138.047
11. (5) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 137.889
12. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 137.315
13. (4) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 137.815
14. (15) Clint Bowyer, Toyota, 137.81
15. (31) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 137.794
16. (55) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 137.788
17. (24) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 137.741
18. (13) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 137.588
19. (20) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 137.546
20. (14) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 137.483
21. (17) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 137.473
22. (27) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 137.347
23. (99) Carl Edwards, Ford, 137.216
24. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 137.2
25. (47) A.J. Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 137.179
26. (95) Michael McDowell, Ford, 137.065
27. (78) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 136.903
28. (38) David Gilliland, Ford, 136.867
29. (9) Marcos Ambrose, Ford, 136.794
30. (34) David Ragan, Ford, 136.789
31. (26) Cole Whitt, Toyota, 136.726
32. (33) Brian Scott, Chevrolet, 136.721
33. (10) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 136.545
34. (83) Ryan Truex, Toyota, 135.875
35. (23) Alex Bowman, Toyota, 135.614
36. (30) Parker Kligerman, Toyota, 135.384
37. (35) Blake Koch, Ford, Owner Points
38. (66) Joe Nemechek, Toyota, Owner Points
39. (36) Reed Sorenson, Chevrolet, Owner Points
40. (32) Travis Kvapil, Ford, Owner Points
41. (7) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, Owner Points
42. (87) Morgan Shepherd, Toyota, Owner Points
43. (51) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, Owner Points

Failed to Qualify
44. (98) Josh Wise, Chevrolet, 135.287
45. (40) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 135.115
46. (77) Dave Blaney, Ford, 134.238

Nationwide

Saturday
At Phoenix International Raceway
Avondale, Ariz.
Lap length: 1 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (3) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 168 laps, 150 rating, 0 points
2. (7) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 168, 120.4, 0
3. (1) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 168, 111.5, 0
4. (9) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 168, 116.4, 0
5. (4) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 168, 117.4, 0
6. (6) Elliott Sadler, Toyota, 168, 105.1, 38
7. (10) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 168, 101.6, 37
8. (8) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 168, 92.8, 36
9. (11) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 168, 91.4, 35
10. (5) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 168, 87.1, 34
11. (2) Brian Scott, Chevrolet, 168, 93.4, 33
12. (16) James Buescher, Toyota, 168, 86.2, 32
13. (13) Dylan Kwasniewski, Chevrolet, 168, 84.2, 31
14. (18) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 168, 76.2, 0
15. (12) Chris Buescher, Ford, 168, 78.5, 29
16. (14) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 168, 77.8, 28
17. (17) Mike Bliss, Toyota, 168, 72.3, 27
18. (20) Dakoda Armstrong, Ford, 167, 64.8, 26
19. (19) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 167, 65.2, 25
20. (24) Mike Wallace, Dodge, 166, 64.2, 24
21. (31) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 165, 54, 23
22. (15) Ryan Reed, Ford, accident, 164, 74.1, 22
23. (28) Eric McClure, Toyota, 164, 49.2, 21
24. (30) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, 164, 46.1, 20
25. (32) Ruben Garcia Mateos, Toyota, 164, 41.3, 19
26. (21) Josh Wise, Chevrolet, 164, 64.2, 0
27. (25) Jeffrey Earnhardt, Chevrolet, 164, 55.9, 17
28. (23) Tanner Berryhill, Dodge, 163, 55.8, 16
29. (38) Carlos Contreras, Chevrolet, 163, 37.3, 15
30. (39) Martin Roy, Chevrolet, 160, 42.4, 14
31. (36) Mike Harmon, Chevrolet, 149, 32.1, 13
32. (27) Jamie Dick, Chevrolet, engine, 131, 47.9, 12
33. (26) Will Kimmel, Toyota, 117, 41.5, 11
34. (35) Derrike Cope, Chevrolet, accident, 86, 34.4, 10
35. (34) Tommy Joe Martins, Ford, electrical, 40, 34.9, 9
36. (37) Daryl Harr, Chevrolet, accident, 18, 33.9, 8
37. (33) Carl Long, Dodge, brakes, 13, 33.5, 7
38. (29) Matt DiBenedetto, Chevrolet, electrical, 6, 32.1, 6
39. (22) Blake Koch, Toyota, vibration, 3, 30.9, 5

Kyle Busch wins Nationwide race

AVONDALE, Ariz. — Kyle Busch became the first driver to win three straight Nationwide races at Phoenix International Raceway, dominating his way through a rain-shortened race Saturday.

Busch took an early lead and was still out front when the race was halted with 32 laps left in the 200-mile race around Phoenix's odd-shaped mile oval. After a delay of more than two hours, the race was called, giving Busch his series-record 64th Nationwide victory.

Kevin Harvick finished second and pole sitter Brad Keselowski was third, followed by Kyle Larson and Matt Kenseth.

Busch led 155 laps for his 10th overall victory at PIR and the fourth straight Nationwide win for Joe Gibbs Racing at the track. Joey Logano won for JGR in the 2012 fall PIR race.

Busch swept the two Nationwide races at Phoenix in 2013, overcoming a pit-road speeding penalty to end a 24-race winless streak in the series in the spring and leading 169 laps in the fall for his 12th Nationwide victory of the season.

He had the dominant car at PIR on Saturday, moving into the lead on lap 6 after starting third. Busch led 83 laps after that, retook the top spot on a restart after a pit stop midway through and stayed there another with about 60 laps left.

Then came the rain.

PIR dodged the heavy downpours that spread across the Phoenix area for most of the day, but rain sent the fans scrambling and halted the race with 32 laps left.

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Race Statistics
Average Speed of Race Winner: 102.665 mph
Time of Race: 1 hour, 38 minutes, 11 seconds
Margin of Victory: Under Caution
Caution Flags: 4 for 24 laps
Lead Changes: 4 among 3 drivers
Lap Leaders: B.Keselowski 1-5; K.Busch 6-88; B.Keselowski 89-92; K.Harvick 93-96; K.Busch 97-168

Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): K.Busch, 2 times for 155 laps; B.Keselowski, 2 times for 9 laps; K.Harvick, 1 time for 4 laps

Top 10 in Points: 1. R.Smith, 83; 2. T.Bayne, 78; 3. E.Sadler, 77; 4. T.Dillon, 71; 5. D.Kwasniewski, 67; 6. B.Gaughan, 66; 7. C.Elliott, 64; 8. B.Scott, 60; 9. J.Buescher, 60; 10. M.Wallace, 55

NASCAR Driver Rating Formula
A maximum of 150 points can be attained in a race.
The formula combines the following categories: Wins, Finishes, Top-15 Finishes, Average Running Position While on Lead Lap, Average Speed Under Green, Fastest Lap, Led Most Laps, Lead-Lap Finish

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TRACK NOTES

BY TRAVIS METCALF

LUCKY NUMBER 16: As the track events were well on their way at the Tall City Invitational track meet at Memorial Stadium, Midland Christian's Devin Nguyen was still wowing people at the pole vault.

As Nguyen cleared height after height, the crowd surrounding the pole vault pit grew bigger and bigger.

He got a big applause when he easily cleared 16 feet without even touching the bar. He got an even bigger applause after he finally got eliminated on 16-3.

That didn't matter, though, as he won the pole vault even with that vault of 16 feet, beating second-place Colton House of Abilene Wylie, who only jumped 12-6.

"I'm impressed with myself a lot," Nguyen said. "My goal by the time I reached state was to jump 16-6. I'm going to have to raise my standards now."

Nguyen said is goal at this meet was to jump no higher than 15-3.

"I feel so energetic. I'm proud of myself," Nguyen said. "Having all of those people there motivated me. If there was nobody here watching me, I would have that that it wasn't important. All of those people there clapping for me, it just motivated me to go even higher."

LEWIS HAS BEST DAY OF MISD GIRLS: The Midland High and Lee girls track teams finished in the bottom half of the standings, with the Lady Bulldogs finishing sixth with 45 points and the Lady Rebels finishing seventh with 39 points, but that doesn't mean they didn't have some highlights of their own.

Midland High got a victory in the 400-meter relay team as Tammie Hickey, Shea'teria Robinson, Jimmiriyia Goodley and Zakymbira Lewis combined to get a time of 50.58 seconds. Lewis, later in the day, went on to also win the 200 with a time of 26.48.

Meanwhile, Lee's Ashley Rackow got a third-place finish in the long jump.

Amarillo High topped the girls Division I standings with 148 points, followed by Odessa Permian with 124 and Odessa High and Lubbock Cooper, which tied for third with 99 points.

OTHER MIDLAND CHRISTIAN TOP PERFORMERS: The Midland Chrisitan boys track team had numerous top three finishes at the meet on Saturday. Johnny Wilson won the shotput with a throw of 47 feet, 2 inches, and Alex Causey won the 1,600-meter run with a time of 4:51.67.

The Mustangs also had several second-place and third-place finishers including the 1,600-meter relay team of Garry Powell, Nguyen, Adam Suggs and Brit Hooper which finished second with a time of 3:31.88. Nguyen also finished third in the 300 hurdles, while the 400-meter relay team of Simeon Mayberry, Hooper, Suggs and Baqurin also finished third.

Overall, the Mustangs fnished fourth in the standings with 93 points. Abilene Wylie won the boys standings with 155 points.

THE LEAD PACK AT TRINITY: Trinity distance runner Katie Pack had another solid day for the Lady Chargers. Pack placed second in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 5:56.36, 14 seconds behind El Paso Eastlake's Aime Hernandez.

Pack also took second in the 800 with a time of 2:31.49, behind another Eastlake runner in Briana Alvarado, who ran a time of 2:29.7.

Overall, the Trinity girls took fifth with 46 points. The boys finished in eighth with 9.5 points.

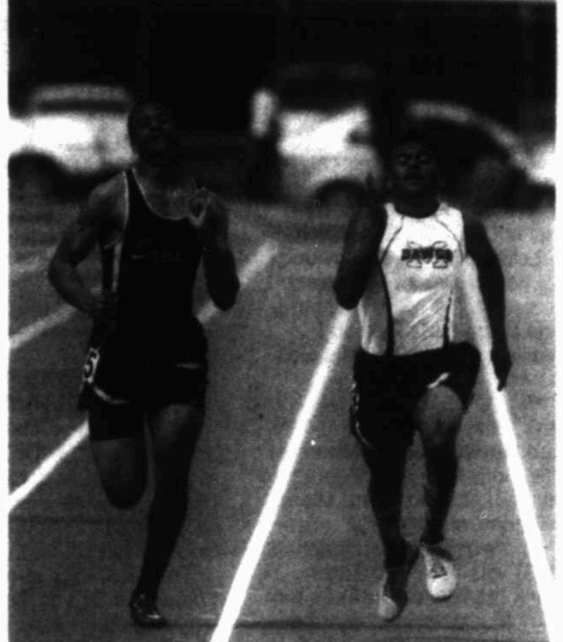
DON'T LEAVE STANTON BEHIND: Stanton's Latrecia Smith brought home a gold medal in two events Saturday. She won the 200 with a time of 29.96 seconds, more than two seconds ahead of Lubbock Cooper's Sydni Bednarz. Smith also won the 400 with a time of 1:01.34, again beating Bednarz.

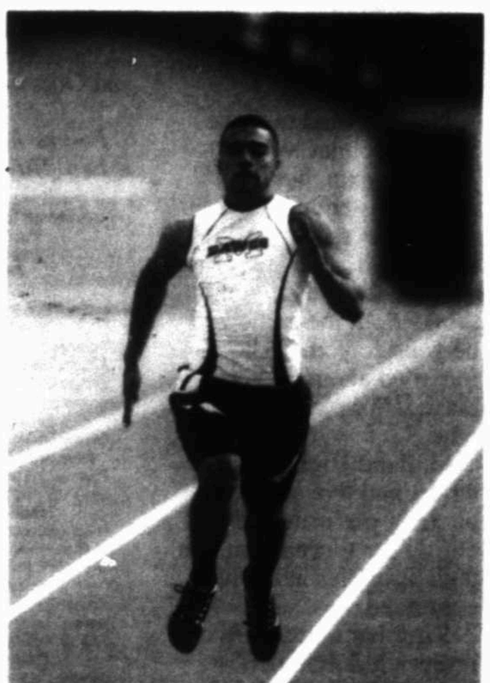
Smith helped propel the Lady Buffaloes into fourth place in the girls Division II standings with 86 points.

Stanton had a couple other second-place finishers including the 400-meter relay team of Kali Spinks, Laci Long, Alejandra Ace and Alyssa Peterson, and Lanique Smith in the 100 hurdles.

The Stanton boys finished seventh with 25 points.







IN THE HEAT OF COMPETITION

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP: Midland Christian's Ashlee Brown, right, competes in the 300 hurdles during the Rogers Ford Lincoln Tall City Invitational on Saturday at Memorial Stadium. Midland High's Hernan Lujan competes in the 200 meters. Midland High's Nick Garcia, right, competes against Amarillo High's Treyvon Martin in the 400 meters; Garcia won the event with a time of 51.28 seconds.

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From 1C

the Lady Mustangs was Kami Berryhill.

Berryhill followed up her first-place performance in the pole vault on Friday with first-place finishes in three more events as she won the long jump with a distance of 17 feet, 7 inches, the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 16 seconds and was a part of the 800-meter relay team that won with a time of 1:49.04.

"I was actually a little nervous about the (800 relay) because I haven't run that too much," Berryhill said. "It's nice to have a good meet."

Afterward, Berryhill could be seen racing from one end of the track to the other cheering on her teammates.

"My big thing is, yes, I needed to compete and, yes, I needed to do well, but I also want to continue to encourage them," Berryhill, a senior, said. "There are individual things in (track), but it all comes down to the team stuff."

Crouch said Berryhill was one of the biggest reasons why the Lady Mustangs were as close as they were.

"I don't expect anything less from her," Crouch said. "That's the way she's been since freshman year. That's just who she is. It's nice to have a girl like that to lead this team."

Other notable performances besides Berryhill include Kenzi McGraw, who won the 100 meters with a time of 12.95 seconds; Ashlee Brown, who finished third in both the 300 hurdles and 100 hurdles; Madeline Smith, who finished third in the 200; Audrey Culyer, who finished third in the discus; and Lauren Schnur, who finished third in the 1,600-meter run.

Despite losing by just a point, Crouch said there are more important things to focus on than just winning this meet.

"I think it's so early on and I've been coaching for so many years that, yes, a win is a win, absolutely, but our ultimate goal is state, and that's all there is to it," Crouch said. "Our goal is to get as many kiddos in shape and get them where they need to be at by May. Of course, we'd love to win our hometown meet, but it's not our ultimate goal."

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legs were amazing. I was hoping that I could get across first."

Lee's team of Aron Dobbins, Jonathan Mendez, Aaron Jackson and Gage Burkhart won the event with a time of 3:31.17, clinching third place for the Rebels with 93 points.

As Midland High and Amarillo High were alternating the lead all day on Saturday, the Bulldogs continued to pick up big wins on the track, as evidenced by the race right before the 1,600-meter relay when Austin Watson took first in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 4:38.17.

"I didn't get out to the start that I wanted because I got boxed in at the beginning," Watson said. "But I finished strong like I wanted to do in the last 300 (meters)."

Watson also came away with a win in the 800-meter run.

Ruben Guerra also had a big day for the Bulldogs, winning the 3,200-meter run with a time of 10:11.36. That time set a Midland High record as Guerra bested the mark Chris Anderson (10:21) in 1993.

"I felt great all morning, I just knew I was going to break it," Guerra said.

The Bulldogs also picked up a big performance from its 800-meter relay team as it finished third.

"We had a lot of kids step up that had great performances," MHS coach Jeff Streun said. "You can't lose the fact that we got third in the (800 relay) and third in the (1,600 relay). Those relays are big point getters."

Midland High also won the pole vault behind Kaleb Slack. Nick Garcia in the 400 and the 100-meter dash behind DeAndre Goodley. The Bulldogs' 400-meter relay team of Darius Reed, Julelon Bowers, Jeremiah Sullivan and Goodley also took first.

"DeAndre had a great 100-meter win, we won the (400 relay) and then our distance guys just continually for the past two weeks, they showed great improvement," Streun said. "What made the difference this week is we got a pole vault winner, we got a shot put second place (Adrian Adame), we had a good overall team effort."

TALL CITY INVITATIONAL RESULTS

Tall City Invitational
Saturday
Memorial Stadium's Rightower Track and Field Complex

Division I Girls

Team Standings: 1. Amarillo High 148; 2. Odessa Permian 124; 3. (tie) Odessa High 99; Lubbock Coronado 99; 5. El Paso Franklin 64; 6. Midland High 45; 7. Lee 39; 8. Hobb 2

Field Events

Discus: 1. Kaylee bodwell, Odessa High, 118-02; 2. Kiaiish Franklin, Odessa Permian, 96-10; 3. Cheyenne Benson, Amarillo High, 96-09; 4. Amber Dominguez, Odessa High, 86-01; 5. Bethany Ontiveros, Odessa High, 84-09; 6. La Tasha Griffin, Odessa Permian, 83-04.

Long Jump: 1. Audrey Sutterfield, Amarillo High, 16-11.75; 2. TaeTor Hodge, Amarillo High, 16-07.25; 3. Ashely Rackow, Lee, 16-00.5; 4. Moriah Berryhill, Odessa Permian, 15-08.25; 5. Dee Carden, Odessa High, 15-06.75; 6. Bri Washington, Lee, 15-06.25.

Running events

3,200: 1. Kirstie Smith, Amarillo High, 12:01.13; 2. Brianna Armendariz, El Paso Franklin, 12:39.20; 3. Caitlyn Mercer, Lubbock Coronado, 12:53.81; 4. Carrie Jones, Amarillo High, 12:57.99; 5. Jerri Guerrero, Lubbock Coronado, 13:08.74; 6. Ella Johnson, El Paso Franklin, 13:11.5.

400 Relay: 1. Midland High (Tammie Hickey, Shea'teria Robinson, Jimmiriyia Goodley, Zakymbira Lewis), 50.58; 2. Lubbock Coronado (Cheonyne Bethany, Quiana Wiley, Kyeshia Harman, Destiny Dunn), 50.94; 3. Odessa Permian (Jazmine Graham, Evelyn Powell, Jessica Nguyen, Moriah Berryhill), 50.95; 4. El Paso Franklin (Ivette Molina, Felicity Diaz, Mariah Fredregill, Elizabeth Peters), 51.47; 5. Odessa High (Victoria Hatfield, Dee Carden, Naomi Bejarano, Jasmine Brown), 51.79; 6. Amarillo High (Haleigh Everhart, Morgan Booth, Emily Martin, Morgan Richardson), 52.03.

100: 1. Elizabeth Peters, El Paso Franklin, 12.73; 2. Jasmine Brown, Odessa High, 13.11; 3. Cheonyne Bethany, Lubbock Coronado, 13.28; 4. Quiana Wiley, Lubbock Coronado, 13.28; 5. Destiny Dunn, Lubbock Coronado, 13.37; 6. Ashley Carter, Lee, 13.40.

800: 1. Mish Nelson, Odessa Permian, 2:17.68; 2. Ayla Lopez, El Paso Franklin, 2:26.27; 3. Amber Suarez, Odessa High, 2:27.60; 4. Desiree Delao, Odessa High, 2:32.73; 5. Briana Armendariz, El Paso Franklin, 2:34.16; 6. Briana Carrasco, Midland High, 2:37.07.

100 Hurdles: 1. Madison Thetford, Amarillo High, 16.00; 2. Chase Bentley, Amarillo High, 16.47; 3. Porsha Parker, Odessa Permian, 16.55; 4. Yazmine Cano, Odessa High, 17.39; 5. Rachel Modenstoll, Lee, 17.81; 6. Melissa Deheas, Lubbock Coronado, 17.91.

300 Hurdles: 1. Odessa Permian (Jazmine Graham, Moriah Berryhill, La Dejah Ellis, Alor Mayein), 1:47.12; 2. Amarillo High (Haleigh Everhart, Addeson Ellison, TaeTor Hodge, Jayla Easter), 1:47.46; 3. Midland High (Tammie Hickey, Bennyda Anderson, Keston Pricker, Zakymbira Lewis), 1:47.94; 4. Lee (Chelsey Rodriguez, Ashlin Lee, Sara Duncan, Ida Sims), 1:48.2; 5. Lubbock Coronado (Cheonyne Bethany, Quiana Wiley, Kyeshia Harman, Destiny Dunn), 1:49.05; 6. Odessa High (Naomi Bejarano, Jade Abalos, Kainaja Walton, Jasmine Brown), 1:49.95.

400: 1. Mish Nelson, Odessa Permian, 58.15; 2. Ashley Hughes, Lubbock Coronado, 59.79; 3. Andy Mitchell, Amarillo High, 1:01.25; 4. Jada Clark, Lubbock Coronado, 1:03.05; 5. Amber White, Hobbs, 1:03.50; 6. Natalie Ramirez Midland High, 1:04.57.

300 Hurdles: 1. Madison Thetford, Amarillo High, 46.63; 2. Porsha Parker, Odessa Permian, 47.40; 3. Rhianna Jones, Odessa Permian, 49.03 4. Cari Cordova, Lubbock Coronado, 49.09; 5 Kayci Meeks, Lubbock Coronado, 50.62; 6. Paula Nguyen, Lubbock Coronado, 51.34.

200: 1. Zakymbira Lewis, Midland High, 26.48; 2. Jayla Easter, Amarillo High, 26.66; 3. Mariah Fredregill, El Paso Franklin, 27.00; 4. Dee Carden, Odessa Permian, 27.93; 5. La Dejah Ellis, Odessa Permian, 27.93; 6. Tatiana Martinez, Lubbock Coronado, 27.98.

1,600: 1. Kirstie Smith, Amarillo High, 5:34.52; 2. Ayla Lopez, El Paso Franklin, 5:35.14; 3. Amber Suarez, Odessa High, 5:41.07; 4. Desiree Delao, Odessa High, 5:53.20; 5. Hannah Massie, Amarillo High, 6:03.31; 6. Emily O'Rourke, El Paso Franklin.

1,600 Relay: 1. Odessa Permian (Jazmine Graham, Alor Mayein, Evelyn Powell, Mish Nelson), 4:07.82; 2. Amarillo High (Andy Mitchell, Madison Thetford, Addeson Ellison, Jayla Easter), 4:11.56; 3. Lubbock Coronado (Tatiana Martinez, Jada Clark, Cori Cordova, Ashley Hughes), 4:13.95; 4. Lee (Chelsey Rodriguez, Kristian Ruiz, Miranda Martinez, Ashlin Lee), 4:20.07; 5. Odessa High (Jade Abalos, Naomi Bejarano, Victoria Hatfield, Kainaja Walton), 4:20.63; 6. El Paso Franklin (Ivete Molina, Dominique Bernal, Ella Johnson, Ayla Lopez), 4:22.24.

Division I Boys

Team Standings: 1. Midland High 137; 2. Amarillo High 134; 3. Lee 93; 4. Odessa Permian 78; 5. Odessa High 70; 6. El Paso Franklin 69; 7. Hobbs 39.

Field Events

Boys Triple Jump: 1. Dejon Strayhorn, El Paso Franklin, 45-07; 2. Dexter Nelson, Odessa Permian, 45-04.75; 3. Dwayne Annise, Odessa High, 42-08.5; 4. Ian Johnson, Lee, 42-08; 5. Isaiah Johnson, Lee, 39-10.5; 6. Eric Haverstock, Midland High, 39-04.5.

Pole Vault: 1. Kaleb Slack, Midland High, 12-06; 2. Braden Moses, Amarillo High, 12-00; 3. (tie) Jose Ramirez, Hobbs, 11-00; Christian Arzate, Odessa High, 11-00; 5. (tie) Peyton Francis, Amarillo High, 10-06; Cody Hill, Odessa Permian, 10-06; Alex Lugotte, Amarillo High, 10-06.

High Jump: 1. Samantha Nolen, Amarillo High, 5-04; 2. Destiny Dunn, Lubbock Coronado, 5-02; 3. Christian Cagle, Amarillo High, (J) 5-02; 4. Kindal Gainey, Lee, 5-00; 5. Nikki Treet, Amarillo High, (J) 5-00; 6. Savannah Cognasi, Lubbock Coronado (J) 5-00.

Shot Put: 1. Thomas Britt, Amarillo High, 48-00.5; 2. Adrian Adame, Midland High, 46-11.5; 3. Tee Stevenhagen, Amarillo High, 45-10; 4. Ivory Jackson, Amarillo High, 45-04.25; 5. Javier Veliz, Midland High, 44-06; 6. Jordan Medeiros, Odessa Permian, 43-10.5.

Running events

3,200: 1. Ruben Guerra, Midland High, 10:11.36; 2. Manuel Porras, Hobbs, 10:15.38; 3. Aaron Ramenz, Odessa High, 10:17.24; 4. Carlos Oregon, Hobbs, 10:17.67; 5. Matthew Sepulveda Hobbs, 10:32.40; 6. Matt Tidwell, Lee, 10:33.9

400 Relay: 1. Midland High (Darius Reed Julelon Bowers, Jeremiah Sullivan, De andre Goodley) 43.45, 2. Odessa Permian (Neboh Dexter, Robert Thomas, Kolby Robinson, Zach Stance), 43.74 3. Lee (Drumarcus Austin, Terry Sims, Aaron Jackson, Juwan Lee) 44.25, 4 Amarillo High (Braden Moses, Nick Dow, Treyton Roland, David Ratliff) 44.54, 5. Odessa High (Gustavo Hernandes, Justin Deandra, Zack Harris Gio Mendoza), 44.86; 6. Hobbs (Andre Gomez Kolin Zembas, Brandon Hinojos, Guy Ross Tippy), 46.28.

100: 1. De andre Goodley, Midland High, 10.94; 2 Perry Sims, Lee, 11.24, 3. Nick Dow, Amarillo High, 11.32; 4. Julelon Bowers, Midland High, 11.59; 5. Shane McGuiskey, El Paso Franklin, 11.59; 6. Kolby Robinson, Odessa Permian, 11.74.

800: 1. Austin Watson, Midland High, 2:01.13 2. Gage Burkhart, Lee, 2:04.51; 3. Humberto Brito Odessa High, 2:04.98; 4. James Langford, El Paso Franklin, 2:05.27; 5. Copeland James, Amarillo High, 2:07.27; 6. Jonathon Mendez, Lee, 2:08.04.

110 Hurdles: 1. Vance O'Rear, Amarillo High, 14.39; 2. Kolin Zembas, Hobbs, 15.38; 3. Jack Youngblood, Midland High, 15.86; 4. Cody Johnson, El Paso Franklin, 15.87; 5. Enrique Rongullo, Odessa High, 15.89;6. Derian Galindo. Odessa Permian, 16.34.

800 Relay: 1. Amarillo High (Nick Dow, Braden Moses, Treyton Roland, Dominique Martin), 1:31.58; 2. Odessa Permian (Neboh Dexter, Roban Thomas, Zach Stance, Malik Shinsako), 1:31.64; 3. Midland High (Adderial Henry, Julelon Bowers, Hernan Lujan, Jeremiah Sullivan), 1:32.34; 4. Lee (Aaron Jackson, Aron Dobbins, Isaiah Johnson, Juwan Lee), 1:33.34; 5. El Paso Franklin (John Anaya, Andrew Stewart, Yussef Luna, Dejon Strayhorn), 1:33.52; 6. Odessa High (Dwayne Amoya, Zach Harris, Nick Adams, Gustavo Hernandes), 1:34.37.

400: 1. Nick Garcia, Midland High, 51.28; 2. Treyvon Martin, Amarillo High, 51.46; 3. Gio Mendoza, Odessa High, 52.25; 4. Dylan Hooper, Odessa Permian, 52.92; 5. Juan Alvarado, Hobbs, 53.09; 6. Jax Welch, Odessa Permian, 53.76.

300 Hurdles: 1. Vance O'Rear, Amarillo High, 40.39; 2. Cody Johnson, El Paso Franklin, 40.71; 3. Deren Rogers, Lee, 41.57; 4. Jack Youngblood, Midland High, 41.82; 5. J.P. Cognasi, Amarillo High, 42.98; 6. Grant Gillispie, Amarillo High, 43.00.

200: 1. Malik Shinsako, Odessa Permian, 22.83; 2. Shane McCloskey, El Paso Franklin, 23.08; 3. Dominique Martin, Amarillo High, 23.18; 4. Hernan Lujan, Midland High, 23.22; 5. Justin Deandra, Odessa High, 23.67; 6. Tori Lood, Odessa Permian, 24.33.

1,600: 1. Austin Watson, Midland High, 4:38.17; 2. Aaron Ramenz, Odessa High, 4:40.53; 3. Carlo Cobb, Amarillo High, 4:43.64; 4. Manuel Porras, Hobbs, 4:48.08; 5. Carlos Oregon, Hobbs, 4:51.17; 6. Chad Schmitz, Midland High, 4:51.40.

1,600 Relay: 1. Lee (Aron Dobbins, Jonathan Mendez, Aaron Jackson, Gage Burkhart), 3:31.17; 2. Odessa High (Gustavo Hernandez, Emilio Herrera, Isaiah Garza, Gio Mendoza) 3:32.21 3. Midland High (Adderial Henry, Rawkion Anderson, Eric Haverstock, Nick Garcia) 3:33.49 4. Amarillo High (Dominique Martin, Treyvon Martin, Vance O'Rear, David Ratliff) 3:34.40; 5. Odessa Permian (Malik Shinsako, Jax Welch Taylor Thompson, Trey Potter) 3:36.37; 6. Hobbs (Tonan Lintz, Juan Alverado, Oscar Juardo, Daniel Morales) 3:37.15.

Division II Girls

Team Scorndings: 1. Lubbock Cooper 145; 2. Midland Christian 144; 3 El Paso Eastlake 143; 4 Stanton 86; 5. Trinity 46.

Field Events

Long Jump: 1. Kami Berryhill, Midland Christian 17-07; 2. Hollie Windham, Lubbock Cooper, 16-03.25; 3. Rylee Hill, Midland Christian 15-11; 4. Johana Wilson. El Paso Eastlake, 15-09 5. Margie Galindo, Midland Christian, 15-00.5; 6 Maycl Bednarz. Lubbock Cooper. 14-00

Discus: 1. Luz Martinez, El Paso Eastlake, 87-01; 2. Sara Sanchez, El Paso Eastlake, 83-08 3. Audrey Culyer. Midland Christian, 80-07 4 Natalie Rangel, Stanton, 74-00; 5. Sarah Hopkins, Stanton, 64-03

High Jump: 1. Kaylee Wilson, Lubbock Cooper, 4-10; 2. Melanie Crittenden, El Paso Eastlake 4-08; 3. Alyssa Peterson, Stanton (J) 4-08

Pole Vault: 1. Kaylee Wilson, Lubbock Cooper 4-10; 2. Melanie Crittenden, El Paso Eastlake 4-08; 3. Alyssa Peterson, Stanton, (J) 4-08

Running Events

3,200: 1. Aimee Hernandez, El Paso Eastlake 12:12.74; 2. Hannah Sampley, Lubbock Cooper, 13:59.5; 3. Cassidy Townsend, Lubbock Cooper 14:03.43; 4. Pallyn Gable, Stanton, 14:24.06

400 Relay: 1. Lubbock Cooper (Keely Ehlers, Reagan Springfield, Addison Fuller, Hollie Windham) 54.01; 2. Stanton (Kali Spinks, Laci Long, Alejandra Ace, Alyssa Peterson), 58.97

800 Relay: 1. Midland Christian (Kami Berryhill, Rylee Hill, Margie Galindo, Kenzi McGraw) 1:49.04; 2. El Paso Eastlake (Victoria Schulte, Johana Wilson, Angela Caldwell Allana Betancourt), 1:51.65, 3. Lubbock Cooper (Corryn Sloan, Hollie Windham, Lauren Irish, Mayci Bednarz) 1:53.05; 4. Trinity (Erika Fanous, Aeli English, Karoline Watson, Macy Essman) 1:54.09; 5. Stanton (Robin Beasley, Maggie Allred, Alejandra Arce, Alyssa Peterson) 2:05.32.

100: 1. Kenzi McGraw, Midland Christian, 12.95; 2. Allana Betancourt, El Paso Eastlake, 13.29; 3. Madeline Smith, Midland Christian, 13.39; 4. Lanique Smith, 13.66; 5. Hollie Windham, Lubbock Cooper, 13.70; 6. Rylee Hill, Midland Christian, 13.71.

100 Hurdles: 1. Kami Berryhill, MCS, 16.6; 2. Lanique Smith, Stanton, 17.88; 3. Ashlee Brown, MCS, 18.31; 4. Kaylee Wilson, Lubbock Cooper, 18.71; 5. Laci Long, Stanton, 19.05; 6. Tiffany Sanders, Lubbock Cooper, 19.19

200: 1. Briana Alvarado, El Paso Eastlake, 2:29.7; 2. Kelle Peck, Trinity, 2:31.49; 3. Kayli Spears, Lubbock Cooper, 2:32.16; 4. Jordan Gaglemen, Midland Christian, 2:36.63; 5. Molly Meister, Midland Christian, 2:42.33; 6. Lauren Schnur, Midland Christian, 2:42.36.

400: 1. Latrecia Smith, Stanton, 1:01.34; 2. Sydni Bednarz, Lubbock Cooper, 1:02.1; 3. Brianna Alvarado, El Paso Eastlake 1:04.5; 4 Karoline Watson. Trinity, 1:05.63; 5. Denise Garridara, El Paso Eastlake 1:06.24; 6. Melanie Crittenden, El Paso Eastlake 1:08.16

300 Hurdles: 1. Kaylee Wilson, Lubbock Cooper 52.87; 2. Ashlee Brown, Midland Christian 52.87; 3. Tiffany Sanders, Lubbock Cooper 58.99 4. Peyton Madison, Stanton 1:00.83.

200: 1. Latrecia Smith, Stanton, 29.96; 2. Sydni Bednarz, Lubbock Cooper 27.30; 3 Madeline Smith, Midland Christian, 27.65; 4 Macy Essman, Trinity, 28.26; 5. Corryn Sloan, Lubbock Cooper, 29.02; 6. Erika Fanous, Trinity, 29.25.

1,600: 1. Aime Hernandez, El Paso Eastlake 5.42.6; 2. Katie Pack, Trinity, 5.56.36; 3. Lauren Schnur, Midland Christian, 6.18.48; 4. Hannah Sampley, Lubbock Cooper, 6.25.9; 5. Cassidy Townsend, Lubbock Cooper 6.36.23; 6. MayLee Wilbie, Stanton, 7.27.06.

1,600 Relay: 1. El Paso Eastlake (Denise Gandara, Victoria Schulte, Angela Caldwell Brianna Alvarado) 4.18.25; 2. Lubbock Cooper (Victoria Wright, Kayli Spears, Reagan Springfield Lauren Irish) 4.21.95; 3 Trinity (Ava English, Karoline Watson, Katie Pack, Macy Essman) 4.25.89; 4. Midland Christian (Ashlee Brown, Anna Fatt, Jordan Gegelman, Rylee Hill) 4.27.18; 5 Stanton (Robin Beasley, Lanique Smith, Latrecia Smith, Miranda Myrick), 4.27.29

Division II Boys

Team Standings: 1. Abilene Wylie 155; 2 El Paso Eastlake 107.5; 3. Lubbock Cooper 99; 4. Midland Christian 93; 5 Lubbock Estacado 69; 6. Hereford 38; 7. Stanton 25; 8. Trinity 9.5; 9 Midland High 2

Field Events

Shot Put: 1. Johnny Wilson, Midland Christian, 47-02; 2. Bayten Baker, Abilene Wylie, 42-00.75; 3. Craig Busby, Lubbock Estacado, 41-04.25; 4. Braden Darrow, Abilene Wylie, 41-00.5; 5. Stetson Smitherman, Lubbock Cooper, 40-00.5; 6. Jeremiah Bernal, Midland Christian, 40-00

Triple Jump: 1. Dorian Dailey, Lubbock Estacado, 40-09.5; 2. Dakota Gruben, Lubbock Cooper, 40-08; 3. Josiah Light, Abilene Wylie, 40-04.75; 4. Adams Austin, Hereford, 39-09.25; 5. Tye Calhoun, Abilene Wylie, 39-03.75; 6. Joe Fernandez, Lubbock Cooper, 37-10.

Pole Vault: 1. Devin Nguyen, Midland Christian, 16-00; 2. (tie) Colton House, Abilene Wylie, 12-06; Keevan Prather, Lubbock Cooper, 12-06; 4. Jack Tidwick, Abilene Wylie, 12-00; 5. Gary Tadlock, Abilene Wylie, 11-00; 6. Flint Newman, Stanton, 10-06.

Running Events

3,200: 1. Travis Knapp, Lubbock Cooper, 11.02.04; 2. Joey Ostrander, Lubbock Cooper, 11.06.24; 3. Oliver Morales, Lubbock Estacado, 11.09.78; 4. Daniel Guidry, Abilene Wylie, 11.23.87; 5. Mason Cain, Lubbock Cooper, 12.11.06; 6. Taylor Petrey, Trinity, 12.20.

400 Relay: 1. Lubbock Estacado (Chris Anderson, Robert Johnson, Trevone Hunter, Dorian Deary), 43.38; 2. Abilene Wylie (Evan Reyes, Tye Calhoun, Hayden Lewis, Trey Kiefhaver), 43.55; 3. Midland Christian (Simeon Mayberry, Brit Hooper, Adam Suggs, Elwin Baoquirin), 44.13; 4. Lubbock Cooper (Michael Vaughn, Dakota Gruben, Lamar Ware, Blake Perigee), 44.26; 5. Hereford (Brandon Cloud, Rusty Warren, Isaiah Garcia, Emanuel Gallegos), 44.96.

100: 1. Trey Kieffneer, Abilene Wylie, 11.23 2. Will Fields, El Paso Eastlake, 11.37; 3. Adrian Carmona, El Paso Eastlake, 11.47; 4. Dorian Deary, Lubbock Estacado, 11.61; 5 Erwin Baquirin Midland Christian, 11.61; 6. Deerdrian Anderson Lubbock Estacado, 11.82.

800: 1. Esteban Montanez, El Paso Eastlake 2.01.35; 2. Sergio Ramirez, Hereford, 2.02.95; 3 Preston Ramsey, Trinity, 2.03.25; 4. Alex Causey, Midland Christian, 2.04.00; 5. Raymond Stovall Lubbock Estacado, 2.06.80; 6. Noe Vervantez Hereford, 2.06.94.

110 Hurdles: 1. Dakota Gruben, Lubbock Cooper, 15.58; 2. Adam Sierra, El Paso Eastlake 16.21; 3. Collin Wilson, Abilene Wylie, 17.03; 4. Juan Padila, El Paso Eastlake, 17.06; 5. Kyler Christian, Abilene Wylie, 17.15; 6. Austin Bird, Stanton, 17.67.

800 Relay: 1. El Paso Eastlake (Will Fields Julian Alvarez, Joel Ganca Adrian Carmona); 2 Lubbock Cooper (Lamar Ware, Michael Vaughn Dakota Gruben, Joe Fernandez), 1.32.04; 3 Abilene Wylie (Evan Reyes, Hayden Lewis, Colton Rosseau, Trey Kieffneer), 1.33.48; 4 Lubbock Estacado (Chris Anderson, Deerdrian Anderson Trevone Hunter, Tammy Terry), 1.33.83; 5. Midland Christian (Simeon Mayberry, Adam Suggs, Garrett Eddison, Brit Hooper), 1.35.43; 6. Midland High (Chandler Barrones, Britt Boler, Matt Gallegos, Vicky Hosing), 1.37.86

400: 1. Esteban Montanez, El Paso Eastlake 50.84; 2. Jonathan Tominson, Stanton, 51.79; 3 Robert Johnson, Lubbock Estacado, 52.13; 4 Jace Allen, Abilene Wylie, 52.44; 5. Cody Corbin Abilene Wylie, 53.17; 6. Garry Powell, Midland Christian, 54.29

300 Hurdles: 1. Billy Cuellar, El Paso Eastlake, 41.12; 2. Adam Sierra, El Paso Eastlake, 41.75; 3. Devin Nguyen, Midland Christian, 42.9 4. Kyler Christian, Abilene Wylie, 43.47; 5. Collin Wilson, Abilene Wylie, 44.31; 6. Tyzer Farmer, Lubbock Cooper, 44.54.

200: 1. Lamar Ware, Lubbock Cooper, 23.26; 2. Adrian Carmona, El Paso Eastlake, 23.32; 3 Ty Calhoun, Abilene Wylie, 22.97; 4. Will Fields, El Paso Eastlake, 23.36; 5. Joel Garcia, El Paso Eastlake, 23.36; 6. Simeon Mayberry, Midland Christian, 23.61.

1,600: 1. Alex Causey, Midland Christian, 4.51.67; 2. Sergio Ramirez, Hereford, 4.51.67; 3. Andy Luna, El Paso Eastlake, 4.53.06; 4. K.C. Hart, Lubbock Cooper, 5.04.85; 5. Daniel Guidry, Abilene Wylie, 5.05.59; 6. Andy Ruiz, El Paso Eastlake, 5.05.7.

1,600 Relay: 1. El Paso Eastlake (Julian Alvarez, Billy Cuellar, Joel Garcia, Esteban Montanez), 3.27.28; 2. Midland Christian (Garry Powell, Devin Nguyen, Adam Suggs, Brit Hooper), 3.31.88; 3. Hereford (Rusty Warren, Emanuel Quintanga, Noe Cervantes, Sergio Ramirez), 3.34.11; 4. Abilene Wylie (Cody Corbin, Jace Allen, Hayden Lewis, Tye Calhoun), 3.35.74; 5. Lubbock Cooper (Michael Vaughn, Joe Fernandez, Ryan Davis, William Draughan), 3.37.1; 6. Trinity (Powers Ramsey, Vincent Briano, Payton Lange, Preston Ramsey), 3.39.92.

TOURNEY

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more, and I think we bonded this weekend," said Lee sophomore Blake Blessie, who had two RBI in the win against Lubbock High on Saturday. "We stuck to our offensive plan, which was pretty aggressive and it paid off. Another thing our pitchers really pounded the zone."

Against Lubbock High, Lee's Hunter Coleman drew a leadoff walk and then advanced to third on a sacrifice bunt and single, and soored when a third strike ball on Dallen Mize was dropped and Mize beat the throw to first.

"I've coached a lot of baseball but never won a game on a walk-off strikeout before," Lee coach Brian Roper said.

Lee infielder Ray Calhoun had a big day at the plate in both games as the junior was 2 for 4 with two RBI against Lubbock High, and then was 2 for 3 with two more RBI against Randall.

Meanwhile, pitcher Chapman Payton and Austin Maddox each picked up pitching victories.

"I don't want to make the excuse that we are a young team, but it's a roller coaster and it's the only answer I've got," Roper said. "We are trying to teach the kids if you do things right the game will be good to you. Today, I felt good about how we played. We played for each other."

Midland High, meanwhile, had five solid pitching performances during the tournament, but their struggles at the plate continued.

Saturday night, Scrivner threw a five-inning no-hitter against the Matadors with eight strikeouts.

Gilbert Sanchez had the pitching victory in a 4-2 win against El Paso El Dorado, giving up two runs on five hits with a strikeout. Those performances went with Lance White allowing four hits in the loss to Lubbock High, Travis Wilbanks six in a loss to El Paso Hanks and Sean Grebeck allowing eight hits to Frenship.

Other than Saturday night's victory, the Bulldogs never scored more than four runs and was shut out once against Frenship's ace on Saturday night.

But coach Barry Russell said he was happy with how his players began to compete beginning with Friday night's game against Frenship, compared to their first two losses in the tournament.

"I was actually pretty happy with them (Friday) night," Midland High coach Barry Russell said. "Because of what happened earlier in the day (on Friday) and Thursday, I just didn't think we competed at all against Lubbock High and I don't think we competed against (El Paso Hanks). We fought pretty good against a good team in Frenship.

"Our pitching is pretty good, but we are just struggling hitting."

More online

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GRAPEVINE WINS TITLE: Grapevine and Wolfforth Frenship each finished 5-0 in the tournament as the Mustangs won its second tournament title and first since 2008. First year coach Jeff Harp led his squad to victories against El Paso Montwood (7-1), El Paso Hanks (3-0), Odessa Permian (7-6) and El Paso Franklin (16-5).

Frenship meanwhile won games against Andrews (12-2), El Paso El Dorado (5-4), Midland High (2-0), El Paso Montwood (9-5) and Odessa Permian (8-4).

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Thursday's Scores
Zachery Field

Canyon Randall 19, Odessa Permian 4
Lubbock High 3, Midland High 2
Christensen Stadium
Plainview 3, Odessa High 2
Amarillo Tascosa 3, Lubbock High 0
El Paso El Dorado 10, Canyon Randall 4
Grapevine 7, El Paso Montwood 1
Security Bank Ballpark
El Paso Franklin 6, Odessa Permian 3
Odessa High 5, El Paso Hanks 1
Plainview 3, El Paso Montwood 1
Lee 17, El Paso Hanks 1
Ernie Johnson Field
Lee 5, Lubbock Estacado 4
Wolfforth Frenship 12, Andrews 2
Friday's Scores
Zachery Field
Amarillo Tascosa 15, Lubbock Estacado 1
Wolfforth Frenship 5, El Paso El Dorado 4
Lubbock High 13, Lubbock Estacado 2
Christensen Stadium
Grapevine 3, El Paso Hanks 0
El Paso Hanks 3, Midland High 2
El Paso Montwood 7, Lee 4
Odessa High 10, Andrews 3
Security Bank Ballpark
Lubbock High 4, El Paso Montwood 3
Amarillo Tascosa 4, El Paso Franklin 3
El Paso El Dorado 2, Andrews 1
Wolfforth Frenship 2, Midland High 0
Ernie Johnson Field
El Paso Franklin 16, Plainview 8
Canyon Randall 8, Odessa High 7
Grapevine 7, Odessa Permian 6
Saturday's Scores
Zachery Field
Grapevine 16, El Paso Franklin 5
Midland High 4, El Paso El Dorado 2
Wolfforth Frenship 9, El Paso Montwood 5
Greenwood HS
Andrews 12, El Paso Hanks 3
Odessa High 15, El Paso Franklin 7
Plainview 14, Odessa Permian 1
Christensen Stadium
Wolfforth Frenship 8, Odessa Permian 4
Security Bank Ballpark
El Paso El Dorado 11, Lubbock Estacado 1
Grapevine 4, Canyon Randall 0
Lee 5, Canyon Randall 4
Midland High 10, Lubbock Estacado 0
Ernie Johnson Field
Plainview 2, Amarillo Tascosa 1
Lee 8, Lubbock High 7
Amarillo Tascosa 11, Andrews 10

Standings
After Saturday's Games

Team	W	L	Runs Allowed
Grapevine	5	0	12
Frenship	5	0	15
Tascosa	4	1	15
Plainview	4	2	21
Lee	4	1	23
EP El Dorado	3	2	12
Lubbock High	3	2	15
Odessa High	3	2	22
MHS	2	3	10
EP Franklin	2	3	38
Canyon Randall	2	3	29
Andrews	2	3	38
EP Montwood	0	4	23
EP Hanks	1	4	36
Lubbock Estacado	0	5	41
Odessa Permian	0	5	54

Baylor gets needed win over Texas Tech

Associated Press

WACO — The Baylor Bears need to win every game they can to improve their NCAA tournament hopes.

They will unapologetically take even the ugly ones like this.

Royce O'Neale scored 16 points and had 12 rebounds as Baylor beat Texas Tech 59-49 Saturday even as the Bears went the final 8 minutes without making a field goal.

"I told the guys before the game this is our season. We need to win these games," said Baylor senior Brady Heslip, who had 14 points including four 3-pointers. "I don't think everyone fully understands how important this game was. We need to win two more."

The Bears (19-10, 7-9 Big 12), who were the NIT champions last year, led 50-36 after Taurean Prince completed a three-point play with 8:05 left. They didn't make another field goal, but Kenny Chery hit seven consecutive free throws in the final 3 minutes before a miss.

Baylor shot only 30 percent from the field (16 of 53), its worst-shooting game in a count to coach Scott Drew's 11 seasons. It was the lowest shooting percentage for a Big 12 team in a victory this season.

But the Bears had a 40-24 rebounding margin, and in an unusual twist they had more offensive boards than defensive ones (21-19).

"You have to compliment Baylor. They dominated the boards," Texas Tech coach Tubby Smith said. "Even though they were struggling shooting the ball, I thought we did an adequate job there defensively. We couldn't limit them to one shot and that was pretty much the ball game."

Robert Turner had 12 points for Texas Tech (13-16, 5-11), which had beaten Baylor at home by 10 points. Toddrick Gotcher and Aaron Ross each had 10 points.

The Red Raiders have lost five in a row since a three-game winning streak.

Next for Baylor is the regular-season home finale Tuesday night against No. 15 Iowa State.

"Next one is a big one. Senior night, and everyone wants to win their last game," Drew said. "We know it will be very emotional. We know the importance of it. ... You don't want to put too much pressure on any situation. We all know that affects people differently."

Curnutte finishes 2nd at Girls Invite

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Christian Curnutte went back to a familiar course on Saturday and in turn shot a score she was much more pleased with during the second round of the Midland Girls Invitational.

Curnutte fired a 75, which was the low round of the day on Hogan Park Golf Course's Quail Course. She moved from sixth spot to finish second behind medalist San Angelo Central's Kamryn Cummings.

Curnutte came back after a disappointing 83 at Green Tree Country Club on Friday.

"My tee shots were definitely a lot better (Saturday)," Curnutte said. "On my approach shots, I was struggling a little bit, but I definitely did get up and down a lot today. Plus, I knew how to get myself out of certain situations."

Curnutte had three birdies on her card, but a double bogey on her 17th hole set her back a bit. But even with that, the Midland Christian junior was definitely much happier on Saturday than Friday.

"Honestly, it was just really rough, especially that first day," Curnutte said. "Nothing was doing what I wanted it to do, and nothing went my way. It was just one of those days."

Curnutte ended up five strokes behind Cummings, who finished at 75-76—151 for the tournament and keyed the Bobcats to the overall tournament victory. Central shot 348-370—718 and were two strokes ahead of Lubbock High. Odessa Permian's first team ended up in third spot at 736 for the two days.

Lee's top team finished sixth, improving from 385 to 367 on Saturday to finish at 752, and Midland High was eighth, shooting a 794.

Midland High's Kathryn McGowan and Erica Frazier finished in a tie for ninth. McGowan shot a 93-86—179 and Frazier shot 96-83—179.

MIDLAND GIRLS GOLF INVITATIONAL
Hogan Park Golf Course
Quail Course
Saturday's Final Round Results
Team standings: 1. San Angelo Central 348-370—718; 2. Lubbock High 368-350—720; 3. Odessa Permian I 369-370—736; 4. Odessa Permian II 384-376—760; 5. Odessa High 384-384—768; 6. Lee I 385-367—752; 7. Abilene Cooper 378-390—768; 8. Midland High 398-396—794; 9. Lubbock Coronado 397-407—804; 10. Lee II 419-409—828; 11. Lee III 428-426—854; 12. Abilene Cooper II 444-426—870
Individual standings (top 10): 1. Kamryn Cummings, San Angelo Central 75-76—151; 2. Christine Curnutte, Midland Christian 83-75—158; 3. Alexandria Massie, Lubbock High 77-82—159; 4. Madison Tuazon, Lubbock High 80-83—163; 5. Reygan Rodriguez, Odessa High 85-85—170; 6. Jordan Digby, Odessa Permian I, 83-88—171; 7. Brittany Roberts, Odessa Permian II, 89-86—175; 8. Carlee Freeman, Abilene Cooper, 82-94—176; 9. (tie) Kathryn McGowan, MHS 93-86—179; Erica Frazier, MHS 96-83—179
Team-by-team results
San Angelo Central (348-370—718)
Kamryn Cummings 75-76—151, Sarah Falcon 88-94—182, Lauren Barta 89-NR, Taylor Gonzales 96-102—198, Taylor Boyce no-rd
Lubbock High (368-350—720) Alexandria Massie 77-82—159, Madison Tuazon 80-83—163, Eliza Hernandez 108-103—209, Journey Vasquez 106-109—214, Erika Martinez 95-94—189
Odessa Permian I (369-370—739) Reygan Rodriguez 85-85—170, Jordan Digby 83-88—171, Brie Whitley 97-100—202, Sara Camacho 96-93—189
Odessa Permian II (384-376—760) Brittany Roberts 89-86—175, Madison Haskins 89-87—176, Jillian Addis 95-93—188, Brooklyn Hamilton 91-100—191, Ashlyn Brigham 107-100—207
Odessa High (384-384—768) Reagan Rodriguez 85-85—170, Mallory Jones 101-93—194, Daniella Rodriguez 104-93—196, Lexi Carter 109-94—203, Kenda Thompson 97-109—206
Lee I (385-367—752) Alexis Atkinson 85-80—165, Raleigh Bailey 104-90—194, Mikala Hoy 97-97—194, Alex Sparks 90-95—185, Sophie Sutter 103-101—204
Abilene Cooper (378-390—768) Carlee Freeman 82-94—176, Morgan Atkinson 95-99—194, Autumn Schmidt 100-97—197, Lauren Bowden 105-110—215, Rebecca Hammel 100-93—193
Midland High (398-396—794) Kathryn McGowan 93-86—179, Erica Frazier 96-83—179, Jaci Frazier 112-119—231, Riley Grunewald 97-109—206
Lubbock Coronado (397-407—804) Chelsea Shideler 84-94—188, Gabby Reed 94-96—190, Jamie Weingaert 95-104—200, Makayla Trimble 113-110—223, Elizabeth Gothard 124-NR—230
Lee II (419-409—828) Taylor Winchell 96-96—196, Kelly Jones 102-96—201, Nicole Pilcher 99-105—204, Kendall Kincaid 117-112—229, Sarah Martinez 116-109—225
Lee III (428-426—854) Ashlyn Hammond 104-104—208, Kelly Sullivan 119-96—213, Landyn Mackey 103-102—205, Kaitlyn Webb 138-139—277, Michaela Bullock 104-104—208
Abilene High (444-426—870) Kenzie Goodgion 108-107—215, Alexandra Rodriguez 110-104—214, Erin Lutes 107-103—210, Lilian Dushime 119-112—231, Aliyah Venezuela 127-121—248
Midland Christian: Christian Curnutte 83-75—158, Isabel Wirtz 101-97—198.
Individual medalist: Dominique Diaz, Lubbock High, 108-105—211; Jamie Livesay, Lubbock High 115-118—233; Bryanna Acosta 105-106—211

HSGOLFROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

LEE BOYS WIN IN ABILENE

ABILENE — The Lee boys golf team won the Big Country Boys Bill Wallace Memorial on Saturday by nine strokes over District 2-5A rival Abilene Cooper.

The Rebels led after the first round with a 324 at Abilene Country, but then followed up that score with a 284 at Maxwell Golf Course to shoot 608 for the tournament. Abilene Cooper shot a 617 over the two days.

Lee's Alex Krol won the medalist title, shooting 73-70—143 and was one stroke ahead of Abilene Cooper's Tyler Causey. Blake Loyd and Carson Good each shot 71 on Saturday, while Blake Roberson shot a 72 and Brinson Vitello carded a 77.

Midland High finished seventh overall as Lucas McCubbin led the Bulldogs, shooting an 86-70—156 for the weekend.

BIG COUNTRY BOYS
BILL WALLACE MEMORIAL
Friday: Abilene Country Club
Saturday: Maxwell Golf Course
Saturday's Final Round Results
Team standings: 1. Lee 324-284—608; 2. Abilene Cooper 334-283—617; 3. San Angelo Central 346-290—636; 4. Odessa Permian 344-296—640; 5. Wylie 349-297—646; 6. Lubbock Coronado 354-299—653; 7. Mullard High 357-312—669; 8. Snyder 370-306—676; 9. Odessa High 385-317—702; 10. Abilene High 395-321—716; 11. Jim Ned 426-356—782; 12. Abilene High II 427-360—787
Area team scores
Lee (324-284—608): Alex Krol 73-70—143; Blake Roberson 84-72—156; Blake Loyd 80-71—151; Brinson Vitello 87-77—164; Carson Good 87-71—158
Midland High (357-312—669): Lucas Mc Cubbin 86-70—156; Guy Ekstrom 91-80—171; Blake Rasmussen 87-80—167; Zach Hartzer 93-82—175; Caleb Douglas 99-94—193
Odessa Permian (344-296—640): Parker Beaty 84-75—159; Jas Bowling 90-76—166; Dalton Anderson 85-71—156; Brendon Lowrance 85-74—159; Ryan Tessaro 96-78—174; Hailey Burgen 88-74—162; Kalli Jennings 78-76—154; 5. Gabi Cano: Monahans, 82-73—155; 6. Kelsie Guinn 83-75—158; 7. Morgan Rogers: Lampasas, 84-75—159; 8. Hailey Burgen: Andrews, 88-74—162; 9 Sydney Rogers: Brownwood, 90-75—165; 10. Itel Kena Cox: Lampasas, 88-78—166; Lindsey Williams: Wolfforth Frenship, 81-85—166
Local team results
Andrews (325-317—642): Sarah Black 78-76—154, Hailey Burgen 88-74—162, Kalli Jennings 72-81—153, Libby Wallinder 91-86—177, Lexi Lopez 97-87—184
Monahans (355-319—674): Gabi Cano 82-73—155, Destinee Moore 93-81—174, Landry Owens 91-84—175, Karley Pounds 89-81—170, Sydney Lewis 98-97—195
Greenwood (377-363—740): Ryan Pate 83-69—152, Erin Roye 98-91—189, Haley Wood 101-101—202, Marcie Candelaria 95-107—202, Hope Brookshire 117-102—219
Greenwood individuals — Jorden Shoults 142-114—256, Kadi Waggh 108-108—216
Big Spring — Kelsie Guinn 83-75—158, Brianna Cobos 106-88—194, Gabby Fair 115-106—221

PATE PLACES 2ND IN MEDALIST STANDINGS

LUBBOCK — Greenwood sophomore Ryan Pate placed second in the medalist standings in the Girls Region I Preview at Shadow Hills Golf Course.

Pate shot 152 over two days, placing her behind only Burkburnett's Sarah Moore at 148. Both Pate and Moore had the best second round scores Saturday, shooting 69.

Andrews' Kalli Jennings (153) was third and Sarah Black (154) was fourth as the Lady Mustangs claimed the team title with a two-round score of 642 — 32 strokes better than second-place Monahans.

Big Spring's Kelsie Guinn shot 75 Saturday, moving up to sixth in the final medalist standings.

GIRLS REGION I PREVIEW
at Shadow Hills Golf Course, Lubbock
Saturday's first round results
Team standings — 1. Andrews 325-317—642; 2. Monahans 355-319—674; 3. Lampasas 353-322—675; 4. Snyder 362-329—691; 5. Wolfforth Frenship 357-342—699; 6. Seminole 363-351—714; 7. Greenwood 377-363—740; 8. Pampa 388-366—754; 9. Pecos 413-371—784; 10. Lamesa 414-371—785; 11. Borger 419-380—799; 12. Graham 429-415—844; 13. Burkburnett 431-425—856; 14. Fort Stockton 482-438—920
Individual standings — 1. Sarah Moore: Burkburnett, 79-69—148; 2. Ryan Pate: Greenwood, 83-69—152; 3. Kalli Jennings: Andrews, 72-81—153; 4. Sarah Black: Andrews, 78-76—154; 5. Gabi Cano: Monahans, 82-73—155; 6. Kelsie Guinn: 83-75—158; 7. Morgan Rogers: Lampasas, 84-75—159; 8. Hailey Burgen: Andrews, 88-74—162; 9 Sydney Rogers: Brownwood, 90-75—165; 10. Itel Kena Cox: Lampasas, 88-78—166; Lindsey Williams: Wolfforth Frenship, 81-85—166
Local team results
Andrews (325-317—642): Sarah Black 78-76—154, Hailey Burgen 88-74—162, Kalli Jennings 72-81—153, Libby Wallinder 91-86—177, Lexi Lopez 97-87—184
Monahans (355-319—674): Gabi Cano 82-73—155, Destinee Moore 93-81—174, Landry Owens 91-84—175, Karley Pounds 89-81—170, Sydney Lewis 98-97—195
Greenwood (377-363—740): Ryan Pate 83-69—152, Erin Roye 98-91—189, Haley Wood 101-101—202, Marcie Candelaria 95-107—202, Hope Brookshire 117-102—219
Greenwood individuals — Jorden Shoults 142-114—256, Kadi Waggh 108-108—216
Big Spring — Kelsie Guinn 83-75—158, Brianna Cobos 106-88—194, Gabby Fair 115-106—221

ANDREWS SETS RECORD AT OWN TOURNAMENT

ANDREWS — The Andrews boys golf team set a 36-hole record for the Andrews Boys Classic by firing a 585 over two days at the Andrews County Golf Club.

The Mustangs shot 292 on Friday and 293 on Saturday to win the tournament by 38 strokes over El Paso Eastwood's Gold team. The old record was 587, which was set by Andrews in 2000 and Lee in 2005.

GK Morrison won his 10th high school tournament as he shot 72-69—141 over the two days to win by five strokes over teammate Casey Fowler.

Trinity's Gage Morrow tied for third but then was eliminated in a three-way playoff for the spot on the third hole. Trinity was the top finishing team from Midland in the tournament, taking fourth at 645 over two days. Midland Christian was tied for sixth.

2014 ANDREWS CLASSIC
at Andrews County Golf Club
Saturday's final round results
Team standings: 1. Andrews A 292-293—585; 2. El Paso Eastwood Gold 311-312—623; 3. Andrews B 321-311—632; 4. Trinity 326-319—645; 5. Lubbock Cooper 333-314—647; 6. (tie) Midland Christian 321-330—651; Big Spring 330-321—651; 8. Seminole 328-329—657; 9. Wolfforth Frenship B 325-345—670; 10. Monahans A 333-339—672; 11. Kermit 347-332—679; 12. Sweetwater 345-340—685; 13. El Paso Franklin B 354-339—693; 14. El Paso Americas 361-336—697; 15. El Past Eastwood Blue 374-354—728; 16. Greenwood 378-350—728; 17. Andrews C 377-363—740; 18. Pecos 398-368—766; 19. Monahans B 392-391—783; 20. Odessa High B 397-395—792; 21. Shallowater 386-406—796; 22. Fort Stockton 428-425—853; 23. Levelland 438-439—877
Medalist standings: 1. GK Morrison, Andrews A 72-69—141; 2. Casey Fowler, Andrews A 75-71—146; 3. Austin Lovato, Andrews A 72-77—149; 4. Erik Wallinder, Andrews A 73-76—149; 5. Gage Morrow, Trinity 78-71—149; 6. Jacob Lair, Monahans A 76-74—150; 7. Noah Gutierrez, EP Eastwood A 74-78—152; 8. (tie) Mac Rochell, Andrews B 75-79—153; Tate Kennedy, Big Spring 80-73—153; 10. (tie) Michael Salazar, EP Eastwood A 82-74—156; Reagan Brown, MCS 74-82—156
Area team results
Andrews A (292-293—585): Erik Wallinder 73-76—149, Casey Fowler 75-71—146, Braciston Parker 81-81—162, Austin Lovato 72-77—149, G K. Morrison 72-69—141
Andrews B (321-311—632): Mac Rochell 75-78—153, Ausdan Vasquez 86-84—170, Logan Upton 82-80—162, Jose Armendariz 79-82—161, Landon Mack 85-73—158
Trinity (326-319—645): Gage Morrow 78-71—149, Phillip Best 80-77—157, Will Parish 83-83—166, Ethan Samuels 85-88—173, Christopher Palacios 105-92—197
Big Spring (330-321—651): Tyler Bryan 93-87—180, Sam Harris 95-91—186, Tate Kennedy 77-76—153, Mikey Pappajohn 80-81—161, Devin Roberson 80-77—157
Midland Christian (321-330—651): Coleman Houston 79-79—158, Reagan Brown 74-82—156, Landon Ballard 79-85—164, Gunnar Gault 90-84—174, Braden Brunson 89-86—175
Monahans A (333-339—672): Blaine Heflin 83-88—171, Jacob Lair 76-74—150, Cameron Eddings 85-90—175, Tyler Smith 93-94—187, Logan Smith 89-87—176
Kermit (347-332—679): Lucas Gordon 85-82—167, Nathan Ormelas 77-84—161, Adrian Carrasco 91-86—177, Eron Berzoza 95-83—178, Brody Burns 94-83—177
Andrews C (377-363—740): Chris Lara 91-91—182, Kade Moore 102-90—192, Hayden Rochell 89-86—175, Nick Salcido 95-94—189, Anthony NovoGradac 105-114—189
Greenwood (378-350—728): Matt Rose 91-82—173, Colby Karcher 82-86—168, Cody Craft 95-94—189, Austin Satterfield 110-86—196
Monahans B (392-391—783): Brock Franco 99-103—202, Buck Watson 100-96—196, Trevor Doege 96-105—201, Ethan Stava 97-99—196, John Roeber 104-93—197
Odessa B (397-395—792): Wade Westfall 91-99—190, Ethan Rubalcado 110-103—213, Kristian Robles 99-93—192, Diego Contreras 97-100—197, Edgardo Montemayor 125-126—251

COLLEGE BASKETBALL SCORES AND SCHEDULES

Men

SATURDAY'S SCORES
SOUTHWEST
Alabama A&M 72, Prairie View 65
Arkansas 87, Georgia 75
Baylor 59, Texas Tech 49
Georgia St. 66, Texas St. 55
Oklahoma 77, Texas 65
Oklahoma St. 72, Kansas 65
Oral Roberts 80, Sam Houston St. 73
SMU 70, UCF 55
Texas A&M 71, Mississippi 60
Texas A&M-CC 65, Houston Baptist 45
Texas Southern 86, Alabama St. 66
Texas-Arlington 80, W Kentucky 73
UALR 74, Arkansas St. 67
MIDWEST
Akron 57, Bowling Green 47
Ball St. 74, Cent. Michigan 71
Cleveland St. 63, Valparaiso 52
Culver-Stockton 89, Avila 74
Dayton 86, UMass 79
Drake 71, Bradley 66
E. Illinois 78, SIU-Edwardsville 74
E. Michigan 56, N. Illinois 52
Evansville 75, Loyola of Chicago 72
Ferris St. 78, Saginaw Valley St. 66
Green Bay 75, Detroit 66
IPFW 96, Nebraska-Omaha 95, OT
Illinois 53, Michigan St. 46
Kansas St. 80, Iowa St. 73
Kent St. 75, Ohio 61
Michigan 66, Minnesota 56
Missouri 85, Mississippi St. 66
N. Dakota St. 78, Denver 68
N. Iowa 71, Indiana St. 69
Nebraska 54, Northwestern 47
North Dakota 69, E. Washington 67
Oakland 87, Youngstown St. 81
Pittsburgh 85, Notre Dame 81, OT
S. Dakota St. 75, South Dakota 61
S. Illinois 66, Illinois St. 65
SE Missouri 118, Murray St. 115, 2OT
Toledo 96, W. Michigan 85, OT
W. Illinois 75, IUPUI 70
Walsh 82, Tiffin 60
Wichita St. 68, Missouri St. 45
Wright St. 68, W. Chicago 61
Xavier 75, Creighton 69
SOUTH
Alabama 73, Auburn 57
Ark.-Pine Bluff 61, Grambling St. 52
Austin Peay 86, UT-Martin 85
Barton 76, Belmont Abbey 64
Bellhaven 67, Martin Methodist 64
Belmont 76, Jacksonville St. 53
Bethel (Tenn.) 83, Mobile 82, 2OT
Blue Mountain 61, Loyola NO 60
Boston College 80, Wake Forest 72
Catawba 110, Lincoln Memorial 61
Chattanooga 63, Appalachian St. 44
Christian Brothers 90, Valdosta St. 73
Coastal Carolina 63, Charleston Southern 61
Coker 90, Tusculum 71
Cumberland (Tenn.) 73, Rio Grande 66
Davidson 86, Elon 69
Delaware 89, Coll. of Charleston 86
E. Kentucky 70, Tennessee St. 66
Florida 79, LSU 61
Florida Gulf Coast 82, N. Kentucky 72
Hampton 81, Norfolk St. 53
Howard 55, Delaware St. 53
Incarnate Word 69, Nicholls St. 67
Jackson St. 82, MVSU 64
Lenoir-Rhyne 86, Mars Hill 77
Limestone 45, Erskine 44
Lindsey Wilson 75, Shawnee St. 71
Lipscomb 83, Stetson 78
Livingstone 83, Winston-Salem 68
McNeese St. 95, Abilene Christian 91, OT
Md.-Eastern Shore 68, Coppin St. 67
Memphis 72, Louisville 66
Mercer 69, Jacksonville 55
Miami 85, NC State 70
Middle Tennessee 65, Rice 41
Morgan St. 65, Bethune-Cookman 61
Mount Olive 77, Pfeiffer 68
NC Central 86, SC State 44
North Carolina 66, Virginia Tech 56
North Florida 87, Kennesaw St. 77
Northwestern St. 84, New Orleans 71
Philander Smith 106, Paul Q. 90
Pikeville 95, St. Catherine 77
Radford 67, Liberty 63
Samford 93, W. Carolina 86
Savannah St. 71, NC A&T 67, OT
South Carolina 72, Kentucky 67
Southern U. 67, Alcorn St. 54
Tennessee St. 72, Nevada 62
Tennessee Tech 76, Vanderbilt 38
Tennessee Tech 91, Morehead St. 84
The Citadel 69, Georgia Southern 63
Troy 61, Louisiana-Monroe 46
UNC Asheville 83, Gardner-Webb 71
UNC Greensboro 73, Wofford 71
Union (Ky.) 74, Va. Intermont 63
VCU 67, Saint Louis 56
VMI 86, Longwood 66
Virginia 75, Syracuse 56
William Woods 84, Freed-Hardeman 80
Williams Baptist 81, Mid Continent 73
Winthrop 82, Presbyterian 60
Xavier (NO) 61, Dillard 54
FAR WEST
Arizona St. 78, California 60
BYU 78, San Diego 70
Boise St. 72, Wyoming 63
Cal St.-Fullerton 84, Long Beach St. 76
Grand Canyon 84, Chicago St. 74
Idaho St. 80, Sacramento St. 67
Montana 83, S. Utah 54
N. Arizona 73, Weber St. 71, OT
Oregon St. 90, Southern Cal 83
Pacific 68, Portland 65
Portland St. 77, N. Colorado 66
Santa Clara 86, Pepperdine 78
UC Santa Barbara 67, UC Davis 54
UNLV 93, Air Force 67
Utah 75, Colorado 64
Utah St. 75, San Jose St. 58
Utah Valley 45, Texas-Pan American 42
EAST
Army 87, Lafayette 84
Bloomfield 84, Chestnut Hill 62
Boston U. 68, Holy Cross 64
Bryant 81, LIU Brooklyn 62
Bucknell 56, American U. 51
Buffalo 78, Miami (Ohio) 55
CCSU 73, Sacred Heart 70
Colgate 74, Lehigh 57
Dartmouth 87, Cornell 78
Hartwick 67, Nazareth 62
Harvard 80, Columbia 47
Hobart 75, Vassar 74, 2OT
Hofstra 82, James Madison 71
Houston 89, Temple 79
La Salle 64, Fordham 62
Loyola (Md.) 67, Navy 65
Mount St. Mary's 78, St. Francis (Pa.) 55
Northeastern 54, Drexel 52
Princeton 69, Brown 64
Rhode Island 66, Richmond 43
Richard Stockton 65, William Paterson 44
Rutgers 74, South Florida 73
Saint Joseph's 83, St. Bonaventure 74
Scranton 71, Susquehanna 56
St. Francis (NY) 79, Fairleigh Dickinson 56
Towson 70, William & Mary 68
UConn 51, Cincinnati 45
Wagner 59, Robert Morris 48
West Virginia 81, TCU 59
Yale 70, Penn 63

TODAY'S GAMES
SOUTHWEST
UTEP at North Texas, 2 p.m.
UTSA at Tulsa, 3:05 p.m.
MIDWEST
Ohio St. at Indiana, 3 p.m.
SOUTH
Maryland at Clemson, Noon
Southern Miss. at FAU, 1 p.m.
Tulane at FIU, 1 p.m.
East Carolina at Marshall, 1 p.m.
Old Dominion at Charlotte, 3 p.m.
South Alabama at Louisiana-Lafayette, 3 p.m.
Louisiana Tech at ULM, 3 p.m.
Georgia Tech at Florida St., 5 p.m.
EAST
Wisconsin at Penn St., 11 a.m.
DePaul vs. St. John's at Madison Square Garden, 11 a.m.
George Mason at George Washington, Noon
Vermont at Binghamton, 1 p.m.
UMBC at Hartford, 1 p.m.
New Hampshire at Maine, 1 p.m.
Quinnipiac at Manhs, 1 p.m.
Monmouth (NJ) at Siena, 1 p.m.
Niagara at St. Peter's, 1 p.m.
Albany (NY) at Stony Brook, 1 p.m.
Marquette at Villanova, 1 p.m.
Rider at Iona, 1:30 p.m.
Canisius at Manhattan, 3:30 p.m.
FAR WEST
New Mexico at Nevada, 5:05 p.m.
Stanford at Arizona, 7 p.m.
Oregon St at UCLA, 8 p.m.

Women

SATURDAY'S SCORES
SOUTHWEST
Alabama St. 65, Texas Southern 57
FAU 71, UTSA 69
Lamar 56, Cent. Arkansas 53
Louisiana Tech 67, North Texas 54
Memphis 55, Houston 45
Oklahoma St. 67, Kansas St. 62
Prairie View 98, Alabama A&M 77
TCU 76, Oklahoma 66
Texas 67, Texas Tech 64
Texas A&M-CC 90, Houston Baptist 65
Texas St. 54, Georgia St. 47
Texas-Pan American 55, Utah Valley 46
UALR 64, Arkansas St. 55
UTEP 72, Rice 57
W. Kentucky 94, Texas-Arlington 70
MIDWEST
Ball St. 79, W. Michigan 73
Buffalo 74, Miami (Ohio) 61
Butler 74, Seton Hall 72
Cleveland St. 78, Ill.-Chicago 70
Detroit 75, Youngstown St. 60
Evansville 72, Bradley 57
Grand Canyon 69, Chicago St. 38
Green Bay 53, Valparaiso 49
IPFW 89, Nebraska-Omaha 76
IUPUI 76, W. Illinois 68
Iowa St. 87, Kansas 79
Louisville 75, Cincinnati 51
Marquette 73, Creighton 71
S. Illinois 64, Wichita St. 59
SE Missouri 85, Murray St. 57
SIU-Edwardsville 67, E. Illinois 58
Villanova 57, Xavier 55
Wright St. 94, Milwaukee 70
SOUTH
Appalachian St. 63, W. Carolina 56
Bethune-Cookman 47, Morgan St. 45
Charlotte 87, Marshall 57
Coastal Carolina 83, UNC Asheville 71
Coppin St. 80, Md.-Eastern Shore 48
Delaware St. 84, Howard 61, OT
ETSU 76, North Florida 41
East Carolina 78, Tulsa 69
Florida Gulf Coast 67, N. Kentucky 53
Gardner-Webb 74, Charleston Southern 62
Grambling St. 85, Ark.-Pine Bluff 56
Hampton 83, Norfolk St. 54
High Point 68, Radford 60
Jackson St. 70, MVSU 68
Jacksonville St. 71, Belmont 69, OT
Liberty 69, Longwood 47
Louisiana-Monroe 91, Troy 87
McNeese St. 71, Abilene Christian 64
Mercer 74, Kennesaw St. 53
Middle Tennessee 68, UAB 58
Morehead St. 81, Tennessee Tech 74
NC A&T 73, Savannah St. 61
NC Central 60, SC State 43
Nicholls St. 76, Incarnate Word 64
Northwestern St. 51, New Orleans 48
Old Dominion 72, FIU 56
Richmond 74, George Mason 63
SC-Upstate 65, Longwood 61
South Florida 72, SMU 51
Southern Miss. 79, Tulane 57
Southern U. 67, Alcorn St. 62, OT
Stephen F. Austin 92, SE Louisiana 79
Stetson 112, Lipscomb 88
Temple 64, UCF 54
Tennessee St. 76, E. Kentucky 64
UT-Martin 116, Austin Peay 85
Winthrop 82, Campbell 58
FAR WEST
BYU 71, San Diego 58
Boise St. 72, Wyoming 59
CS Bakersfield 86, New Mexico St. 80
CS Northridge 77, UC Riverside 75
Cal Poly 92, UC Irvine 87, OT
Cal St.-Fullerton 71, Long Beach St. 55
Denver 87, N. Dakota St. 74
Fresno St. 67, San Diego St. 63
Gonzaga 81, Pacific 77
Idaho 60, Seattle 57
Nevada 60, New Mexico 55
North Dakota 61, E. Washington 57
Portland St. 57, N. Colorado 51
S. Utah 70, Montana St. 60
Sacramento St. 54, Idaho St. 53
Saint Mary's (Cal) 76, Portland 72
San Francisco 80, Loyola Marymount 79
Santa Clara 67, Pepperdine 61
UC Davis 65, UC Santa Barbara 47
UNLV 87, Air Force 43
Utah St. 96, San Jose St. 67
Washington St. 72, California 65
Weber St. 74, N. Arizona 73
EAST
American U. 67, Bucknell 53
Army 64, Lafayette 53
Boston U. 67, Holy Cross 65
Brown 61, Princeton 58
Bryant 63, St. Francis (NY) 58
CCSU 62, Fairleigh Dickinson 61
Colgate 63, Lehigh 61
Cornell 63, Dartmouth 50
DePaul 80, St. John's 65
Duquesne 54, Rhode Island 51
George Washington 68, Dayton 79
Georgetown 71, Providence 65
Hartford 57, Vermont 49
Harvard 64, Columbia 51
La Salle 55, St. Bonaventure 49
Maine 66, New Hampshire 62
Mount St. Mary's 64, Wagner 52
Navy 74, Loyola (Md.) 50
Penn 62, Yale 48
Penn St. 77, Michigan 62
Quinnipiac 86, Manhattan 78
Sacred Heart 46, LIU Brooklyn 44
St. Francis (Pa.) 78, Robert Morris 73
Stony Brook 66, Albany (NY) 56
UConn 72, Rutgers 35
UMBC 86, Binghamton 80, 2OT
TODAY'S GAMES
SOUTHWEST
Sam Houston St. at Oral Roberts, 1 p.m.
West Virginia at Baylor, 1:30 p.m.
Missouri at Arkansas, 2 p.m.
MIDWEST
Indiana at Michigan St., 11 a.m.
Iowa at Illinois, Noon
Ohio St. at Minnesota, Noon
Northwestern at Wisconsin, Noon
Ohio at Bowling Green, 1 p.m.
N. Illinois at E. Michigan, 1 p.m.
Akron at Kent St., 1 p.m.
Nebraska at Purdue, 1 p.m.
UMass at Saint Louis, 1 p.m.
Cent. Michigan at Toledo, 1

McIlroy in the lead going into last round at Honda

Associated Press

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. — Rory McIlroy is 18 holes away from his first PGA Tour victory in 18 months, a chance to show the world he is back on his game.

That's not the way McIlroy views the final round at the Honda Classic.

McIlroy started strong, avoided a big number with a brilliant bogey in the middle and took on the wind and water on the 16th hole for one final birdie Saturday that gave him a 1-under 69 in the toughest conditions and a two-shot lead over Russell Henley at PGA National.

The 24-year-old from Northern Ireland has come to expect this kind of performance.

He finished one shot behind in Abu Dhabi. He played in the final group in Dubai, where nothing went well in the final round. And here is again, making key shots and big putt to keep his nose in front in the Honda Classic.

"I've been building and building toward getting my game to a level where I feel it should be," he said. "And I'm pretty much at that point now."



Associated Press

Rory McIlroy tees off on the 15th hole Saturday during the third round of the Honda Classic golf tournament in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

Saturday wasn't easy.

McIlroy might have saved his day with a bogey on the par-3 seventh. He took a penalty drop from under a palmetto bush, and faced a shot off the pine straw across 20 yards of rough to an elevated green with the pin toward the back right. The shot came off perfectly, and he holed the 8-foot putt for bogey.

"It was one of the best up-and-downs I've ever had, I guess," McIlroy said. "And it was almost like a momentum builder. I just bogeyed the last, but walking off that seventh green with a bogey almost felt like I had saved par or I had almost gained a shot on the field. It kept any momentum that I had going to the next few holes."

He closed out his round with a 5-iron into the wind to 10 feet of the flag on the 16th for a birdie, and then narrowly missed two birdie chances on the closing holes.

McIlroy was at 12-under 198.

Asked about the importance of winning on a major tour for the first time since the World Tour Championship in Dubai at the end of 2012, and the first time since the BMW Championship at Crooked Stick in 2012 on the PGA Tour, Boy Wonder grappled for the right answer.

"It would be nice. It would be my seventh PGA Tour win," he said. "That's what it is. No bigger, no smaller. And I'll go home and have a nice night and get up the next morning and go play the Seminole Pro-Member. So it's all good."

He also knows it's not over.

Henley wasn't doing anything special until he holed out from 150 yards for eagle on No. 14, and then rammed in a 50-foot birdie putt from just off the green at the 17th for birdie that gave him a 68 and put him in the last group for the first time since he won the Sony Open last year.

That's the only time Henley has won — in his debut as a PGA Tour member — and he hasn't been in this situation since then. Henley has only two top 10s since that win down from Waikiki Beach at the start of 2012. Now he has to chase one of golf's biggest stars, on a course where only one players — Ernie Els in 2008 — has come from behind on the final day to win.

"I'm trying not to pay attention to what Rory is doing," Henley said. "Obviously, he's playing great and he's been in this situation a little bit more than me. But I still have a lot of confidence and I'm just going to try to play my game and not worry about what he's doing too much."

Russell Knox of Scotland had a 68 and was three shots behind, while Jhonattan Vegas of Venezuela had a 66 and was another shot back.

Tiger Woods is still in the game, but just barely.

Woods matched the low round of the day. He was among five players who shot 65, all before the leaders teed off and the wind kicked into gear, but it was enough to move the No. 1 player 49 spots up the leaderboard and into a tie for 17th. Even so, he was seven shots behind. Woods has never won a PGA Tour event when trailing by more than five shots entering the last round.

PGA AND LPGA SCORES

PGA

Saturday
At PGA National Resort and Spa, The Champion
Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.
Purse: $6 million
Yardage: 7,140; Par 70
Third Round

Rory McIlroy	63-66-69—198
Russell Henley	64-68-68—200
Russell Knox	70-63-68—201
Jhonattan Vegas	70-66-66—202
Stuart Appleby	69-69-65—203
Keegan Bradley	69-68-66—203
Luke Donald	67-68-68—203
Ryan Palmer	68-66-69—203
Matt Every	66-73-65—204
Cameron Tringale	69-69-66—204
Nicholas Thompson	68-70-66—204
Ted Potter, Jr.	71-66-67—204
Billy Hurley III	70-67-67—204
Rory Sabbatini	65-71-68—204
Will MacKenzie	67-68-69—204
Daniel Summerhays	70-65-69—204
Tiger Woods	71-69-65—205
Luke Guthrie	67-73-65—205
Brian Stuard	72-68-65—205
Freddie Jacobson	69-69-67—205
Zach Johnson	67-70-68—205
David Lingmerth	69-68-68—205
Thomas Bjorn	69-68-70—205
Tim Wilkinson	70-69-67—206
Hudson Swafford	67-71-68—206
Tyrone Van Aswegen	67-71-68—206
George McNeill	70-67-69—206
Stewart Cink	69-68-69—206
Brendan Steele	69-68-71—206
Jason Kokrak	70-68-70—206
Derek Ernst	68-69-71—206
Jamie Donaldson	65-69-72—206
Lee Westwood	68-65-73—206
Brendon de Jonge	66-64-76—206
Martin Flores	69-70-68—207
Carl Pettersson	72-67-68—207
Brooks Koepka	71-68-68—207
Derek Fathauer	67-71-69—207
Rickie Fowler	69-69-69—207
David Hearn	67-70-70—207
Adam Scott	68-68-70—207
Vijay Singh	69-71-68—208
Sergio Garcia	72-68-68—208
Gonzalo Fdez-Castano	71-69-68—208
Charlie Wi	69-71-68—208
Brian Harman	67-72-69—208
Camilo Villegas	71-68-69—208
Chesson Hadley	73-66-69—208
Patrick Reed	71-67-70—208
Ben Crane	69-68-71—208
Chris Kirk	69-67-72—208
Boo Weekley	68-67-73—208
John Senden	72-63-73—208
Chris Stroud	69-66-73—208
Paul Casey	72-68-69—209
Charles Howell III	72-68-69—209
James Driscoll	68-71-70—209
D.A. Points	70-69-70—209
Andres Romero	70-68-71—209
Matteo Manassero	67-71-71—209
Josh Teater	70-68-71—209
Seung-Yul Noh	69-68-72—209
Troy Merritt	68-69-72—209
Graeme McDowell	70-67-72—209
Mark Wilson	67-69-73—209
Nick Watney	71-69-70—210
Trevor Immelman	69-69-72—210
Jeff Overton	69-71-71—211
Justin Hicks	70-70-71—211
Ken Duke	68-71-72—211

Made cut-did not finish

Davis Love III	69-71-72—212
Mark Calcavecchia	69-70-73—212
Erik Compton	70-68-74—212
William McGirt	65-69-78—212
Scott Brown	71-69-73—213
Y.E. Yang	71-68-74—213
Brice Garnett	66-71-76—213
Jamie Lovemark	69-68-76—213
Heath Slocum	71-68-75—214

LPGA

Saturday
At Sentosa Golf Club (Serapong Course)
Singapore
Purse: $1.4 million
Yardage: 6,811; Par: 72
Third Round
a-amateur

Karrie Webb	66-69-70—205
Angela Stanford	68-68-69—205
Azahara Munoz	69-72-67—208
Teresa Lu	68-70-70—208
Paula Creamer	67-73-69—209
Morgan Pressel	71-69-70—210
Suzann Pettersen	71-70-70—211
Na Yeon Choi	71-70-71—212
Caroline Hedwall	67-73-72—212
Chella Choi	73-71-69—213
Michelle Wie	73-71-69—213
Ha Na Jang	73-69-71—213
Inbee Park	70-72-71—213
Hee Kyung Seo	76-67-71—214
Lexi Thompson	71-71-72—214
Anna Nordqvist	73-67-74—214
Brittany Lang	73-74-68—215
Gerina Piller	70-75-70—215
Eun-Hee Ji	71-73-71—215
Jiyai Shin	74-70-71—215
Lydia Ko	73-69-73—215
So Yeon Ryu	71-71-73—215
Meena Lee	74-72-70—216
Karine Icher	72-72-72—216
Stacy Lewis	70-73-73—216
Mika Miyazato	75-73-69—217
Pornanong Phatlum	73-75-69—217
Haeji Kang	76-71-70—217
Katherine Kirk	75-71-71—217
Jenny Shin	72-72-73—217
Brittany Lincicome	71-74-75—220
Nicole Castrale	73-68-76—217
Ilhee Lee	76-73-69—218
Se Ri Pak	76-71-72—218
Jaye Marie Green	75-70-73—218
Sun Young Yoo	72-73-73—218
Shanshan Feng	72-72-74—218
Yani Tseng	73-71-74—218
Sandra Gal	75-68-75—218
Cristie Kerr	72-73-74—219
Danielle Kang	70-70-79—219
Hee Young Park	75-74-71—220
Giulia Sergas	75-72-73—220
Carlota Ciganda	73-73-74—220
Catriona Matthew	71-71-78—220
Julieta Granada	72-75-74—221
Momoko Ueda	72-76-73—221
Jennifer Johnson	72-81-69—222
Jodi Ewart Shadoff	75-75-72—222
Mina Harigae	75-76-72—223
Lizette Salas	75-76-72—223
Ayako Uehara	76-73-75—224
Kris Cox	76-74-75—225
Candie Kung	74-73-77—224
Jessica Korda	76-76-73—225
Irene Cho	75-74-76—225
Caroline Masson	75-79-76—225
Alison Walshe	73-77-81—225
Mo Martin	74-79-73—226
A. Myazato	75-75-79—229
Giulia Sergas	76-76-76—232
a-Amanda Tan	79-81-75—235

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NBA SCORES AND SCHEDULES

Standings and scores

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	32	26	552	—
Brooklyn	28	29	491	3½
New York	21	36	356	11½
Boston	20	40	333	13
Philadelphia	15	44	254	17½

SOUTHEAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	42	14	750	—
Washington	31	28	525	12½
Charlotte	27	31	466	16
Atlanta	26	31	456	16½
Orlando	18	43	295	26½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	45	13	776	—
Chicago	32	26	552	13
Cleveland	24	37	393	22½
Detroit	23	36	390	22½
Milwaukee	11	47	190	34

WESTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	42	16	724	—
Houston	40	19	678	2½
Dallas	36	24	600	7
Memphis	33	25	569	9
New Orleans	23	35	397	19

NORTHWEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	44	15	746	—
Portland	40	18	690	3½
Minnesota	28	29	491	15
Denver	25	32	439	18
Utah	21	37	362	22½

PACIFIC DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	40	20	667	—
Golden State	36	23	610	3½
Phoenix	34	24	586	5
Sacramento	20	38	345	19
L.A. Lakers	20	39	339	19½

SATURDAY'S SCORES
Washington 122, Philadelphia 103
Miami 112, Orlando 98
Houston 118, Detroit 110
Indiana 102, Boston 97
Brooklyn 107, Milwaukee 96
Memphis 110, Cleveland 96
Denver at Portland, Late
Minnesota at Sacramento, Late
New Orleans at L.A. Clippers, Late

TODAY'S GAMES
New York at Chicago, Noon
Golden State at Toronto, 3 p.m.
Philadelphia at Orlando, 5 p.m.
Utah at Indiana, 5 p.m.
Charlotte at Oklahoma City, 6 p.m.
Dallas at San Antonio, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Phoenix, 7 p.m.

Box scores

ROCKETS 118, PISTONS 110

DETROIT (110): J.Smith 9-24 5-6 21, Monroe 3-11 4-4 10, Drummond 8-11 0-1 16, Jennings 4-13 1-1 11, Singler 2-4 2-2 7, Stuckey 10-17 3-3 23, Caldwell-Pope 2-2 0-0 5, Bynum 5-10 0-0 12, Jerebko 1-5 0-0 2, Villanueva 1-3 1-2 3. Totals 45-100 16-19 110.

HOUSTON (118): Hamilton 6-12 0-0 13, Jones 10-15 2-2 22, Howard 5-7 7-8 17, Beverley 6-15 2-4 19, Harden 7-16 5-8 20, Lin 1-6 2-2 4, Casspi 4-5 5-6 16, Motiejunas 3-7 0-0 7. Ask 0-1 0-2 0. Totals 42-84 23-33 118.

Detroit	30	26	34	30—110
Houston	41	35	26	23—118

3-Point Goals—Detroit 4-19 (Jennings 2-6, Caldwell-Pope 1-1, Singler 1-2, Villanueva 0-1, Bynum 0-1, Stuckey 0-1, Jerebko 0-2, J.Smith 0-3), Houston 11-30 (Beverley 5-9, Casspi 3-4, Motiejunas 1-4, Harden 1-6, Hamilton 1-8, Jones 0-1, Howard 0-1, Lin 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Detroit 54 (Drummond 17), Houston 56 (Jones 10). Assists—Detroit 22 (Jennings 6), Houston 26 (Harden 12). Total Fouls—Detroit 24, Houston 20. Technicals—Drummond, Houston defensive three second. A—18,330 (18,023).

HEAT 112, MAGIC 98

ORLANDO (98): Harkless 5-11 3-5 14, Harris 6-11 7-7 20, Vucevic 8-14 0-0 16, Nelson 1-8 0-0 3, Oladipo 3-6 6-10 10, O'Quinn 6-10 2-2 14, Moore 4-7 1-2 10, Nicholson 1-6 2-2 4, Lamb 0-6 0-0 0, Thomas 1-2 0-0 2, Dedmon 1-2 1-1 3. Totals 39-83 22-29 98.

MIAMI (112): James 8-12 4-5 20, Bosh 2-4 0-0 5, Bosh 5-9 5-5 17, Chalmers 2-3 2-2 7, Wade 10-14 4-5 24, Allen 3-7 0-0 7, Beasley 4-8 0-0 8, Andersen 2-3 1-2 5, Cole 3-9 2-2 9, Oden 3-3 2-3 8, Haslem 1-1 0-0 2, Douglas 0-2 0-0 0, Lewis 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-74 20-26 112.

Orlando	30	23	20	25—98
Miami	32	29	28	23—112

3-Point Goals—Orlando 4-18 (Moore 1-2, Harris 1-2, Harkless 1-3, Nelson 1-6, Thomas 0-1, Lamb 0-2, Oladipo 0-2), Miami 6-16 (Bosh 2-3, Chalmers 1-1, Battier 1-2, Cole 1-3, Allen 1-4, Beasley 0-1, James 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Orlando 45 (O'Quinn 15), Miami 44 (James 9). Assists—Orlando 18 (Nelson 11), Miami 20 (James 7). Total Fouls—Orlando 19, Miami 20. A—19,834 (19,600).

WIZARDS 122, 76ERS 103

WASHINGTON (122): Ariza 14-23 4-5 40, Booker 6-7 2-2 14, Gortat 6-9 1-2 13, Wall 8-10 4-4 17, Seal 5-12 0-0 11, Webster 5-13 5-7 17, Singleton 1-5 1-4 3, Miller 0-2 2-2 2, Gooden 0-2 0-0 0, Harrington 1-3 1-2 3, Temple 0-1 0-0 0, Porter Jr. 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 45-89 20-28 122.

PHILADELPHIA (103): Thompson 3-8 1-1 7, Young 7-14 3-4 17, Sims 3-6 1-2 7, Carter-Williams 5-14 4-6 15, Anderson 5-11 1-1 13, Mullens 2-5 2-2 6, Wroten 5-12 9-12 19, Williams 2-5 0-0 4, Moultrie 1-2 0-0 2, Maynor 5-7 1-4 13, Varnado 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-84 22-32 103.

Washington	41	33	23	25—122
Philadelphia	28	34	21	20—103

3-Point Goals—Washington 12-26 (Ariza 8-12, Webster 2-5, Wall 1-1, Seal 1-4, Harrington 0-1, Porter Jr. 0-1, Singleton 0-2), Philadelphia 5-22 (Maynor 2-3, Anderson 2-7, Carter-Williams 1-2, Wroten 0-2, Young 0-2, Thompson 0-3). Williams 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Washington 54 (Gortat 14), Philadelphia 54 (Mullens 7). Assists—Washington 33 (Wall 16), Philadelphia 22 (Carter-Williams 7). Total Fouls—Washington 25, Philadelphia 24. A—20,856 (20,328).

PACKERS 102, CELTICS 97

INDIANA (102): George 9-20 4-5 25, West 4-9 4-4 12, Hibbert 6-10 3-3 15, Watson 3-8 0-0 7, Stephenson 5-8 5-6 16, Sloan 0-3 0-0 0, Turner 8-14 1-3 17, Mahinmi 1-2 0-0 2, Scola 3-3 2-2 8. Totals 39-77 19-23 102.

BOSTON (97): Green 10-22 5-6 27, Bass 7-13 2-2 16, Humphries 7-15 4-5 18, Rondo 4-12 1-3 12, Bayless 5-11 0-0 11, Sullinger 4-12 2-2 10, Johnson 1-3 0-0 3, Babb 0-0 0-0 0, Pressey 0-1 0-0 0, Anthony 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-89 14-17 97.

Indiana	28	27	21	26—102
Boston	27	21	30	19—97

3-Point Goals—Indiana 5-13 (George 3-6, Stephenson 1-2, Watson 1-3, Sloan 0-1, Turner 0-1), Boston 7-21 (Rondo 3-6, Green 2-5, Johnson 1-2, Bayless 1-5, Pressey 0-1, Sullinger 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Indiana 45 (Stephenson 9), Boston 51 (Humphries 10). Assists—Indiana 19 (Stephenson 6), Boston 25 (Rondo 11). Total Fouls—Indiana 19, Boston 21. Technicals—Hibbert, Rondo. A—18,624 (18,624).

NETS 107, BUCKS 96

BROOKLYN (107): Johnson 2-9 2-2 7, Pierce 3-7 5-7 12, Plumlee 2-3 1-2 5, Williams 6-16 0-0 15, Livingston 7-11 0-0 14, Blatche 5-12 9-9 19, Kirilenko 3-5 1-5 7, Teletovic 1-4 0-0 3, Thornton 6-13 5-6 20, Anderson 0-2 0-0 0, Collins 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 37-83 23-31 107.

MILWAUKEE (96): Middleton 8-12 0-0 16, Ilyasova 3-9 4-5 11, Pachulia 1-5 0-0 2, Knight 6-13 1-1 16, Wolters 3-8 0-0 7, Henson 2-5 2-2 6, Antetokounmpo 3-7 5-9 12, Mayo 4-7 1-1 9, Sessions 2-5 11-11 16, Adrien 2-5 1-2 5. Totals 34-74 25-31 96.

Brooklyn	31	24	22	30—107
Milwaukee	29	24	19	26—96

3-Point Goals—Brooklyn 10-25 (Thornton 4-7, Williams 3-6, Pierce 1-3, Johnson 1-4, Teletovic 1-4, Anderson 0-1), Milwaukee 5-12 (Sessions 1-1, Ilyasova 1-2, Antetokounmpo 1-2, Wolters 1-2, Knight 1-3, Mayo 0-1, Middleton 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Brooklyn 49 (Blatche 13), Milwaukee 51 (Ilyasova 11). Assists—Brooklyn 23 (Kirilenko, Pierce 5), Milwaukee 17 (Knight 5). Total Fouls—Brooklyn 19, Milwaukee 19. Technicals—Teletovic. A—14,081 (18,717).

GRIZZLIES 110, CAVALIERS 96

CLEVELAND (96): Deng 5-14 1-2 11, Thompson 8-10 2-3 18, Hawes 5-12 0-0 13, Irving 11-19 3-4 26, Jack 3-6 0-0 6, Zeller 3-6 3-4 9, Dellavedova 2-7 0-0 5, Gee 0-1 2-2 2, Bennett 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 39-79 11-15 96.

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Memphis	32	32	33	23—110

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Notice by Publication

STATE OF TEXAS

TO: MARINA MELERO NATIVIDAD, biological mother of Criselda Natividad, Ariana Natividad, and Yvette Natividad, and to all whom it may concern,

Respondent:
You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after publication, a default judgment may be taken against you. The Petition of Gabriel Natividad, Petitioner, was filed in the Court of Midland County, Texas, on February 5, 2014, against MARINA DORANTES, formerly known as MARINA MELERO NATIVIDAD, Respondent, numbered FM 42,748, and entitled "In the Matter of the Marriage of Gabriel Natividad and Marina Melero Natividad, Interest of Natividad children." The suit requests an entry of QDRO Order, dividing the Texas Municipal Retirement Benefits awarded to the parties under the Decree of Divorce dated February 8, 2006. You are hereby given notice of said proceedings and the relief requested.

Issued under by hand and seal of the Court of Midland, Texas, on the 6th day of February, 2014.

Ross Bush
Clerk of the District Court of
Midland County, Texas
By LETICIA GUTIERREZ, Deputy

Legal & Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

MIDLAND COUNTY Hospital District is accepting proposals for an **AUTOMATED BLOOD CULTURE INSTRUMENT**, for Midland Memorial Hospital.

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Midland Memorial Hospital on or after **Wednesday, February 26, 2014.**

All proposals must be received in the Department of Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital by **2:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 11, 2014.**

All proposals must be sealed and labeled "**BID # 1122-022614.**

Under no circumstances will faxed or emailed proposals from bidders be accepted.

All proposals must be price protected for a period of **twelve (12) months.**

All proposals will remain confidential until after an award has been made. Vendors will then be allowed to review the proposals 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.

Proposals shall be addressed to: Rachel Hanna Jones
Director of Materials Management
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Memorial Hospital
400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Pkwy
Midland, Texas 79701

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To Unknown Father, Respondent:

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of **Homer Reyes Brito and Shanadora Chasity Walkos Brito, Petitioners, was filed in the 318th Judicial District Court of Midland County, Texas, on September 25, 2013 against Unknown Father, Respondent, numbered AD32949 and entitled "In the Interest of Sayvonna Shyanne Walkos, a child." The suit requests the termination of the parental rights and granting of the adoption of a stepchild. The date and place of birth of the child who is the subject of the suit:**

Sayvonna Shyanne Walkos October 26, 1999 Elko, Nevada

The Court has authority in this suit to render an order in the child's interest that will be binding on you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity, and the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the Court at Midland, Midland County, Texas, on February 19, 2014.

(SEAL) Ross Bush
Clerk of the District Court of
Midland County, Texas

By: Erika R. Robles, Deputy

Legal & Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed Bids addressed to Jill Hallmark, Midland ISD, 801 South Moran, Midland, TX 79701, for Moving Portable Buildings Bid for MISD Schools, located in Midland, TX, bids will be received at the above address no later than 2:00 PM, on Monday, March 3, 2014. The bid forms and specifications may be obtained at 801 South Moran, Building #1 Midland, TX or by calling 432-689-1500.

Legal & Public Notices

APPLICATION HAS been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a BGFB 760 703 License by Raquel Alvarado dba Reyna's Mexican Restaurant, to be located at 3601 W. Wall St., Midland, Midland County, Texas. Officer of said corporation is Raquel Alvarado, owner.

Legal & Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 11:00 A.M., March 19, 2014 to be opened at 11:00 A.M., in the Office of the City Secretary City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s):

Bid No. 7616-14

For: Spring Seed for Spraberry Farm

If the Contract is awarded, it will be awarded to either the lowest responsible bidder, or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the City of Midland. In determining the best value for the City of Midland, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code. Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

Legal & Public Notices

Request For Bids
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc., as construction manager, will be receiving bids for the new construction of the Midland Independent School District Barbara Fasken Elementary School and the Southwest Elementary School.

A Pre-Bid meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 6, 2014 at 10:00 AM at the office of Parkhill Smith & Cooper Architects, 1700 W. Wall St., Suite 100, Midland, TX 79701.

Bids are due by Thursday, March 20, 2014 on or before 3:00 pm.

Location:
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc.
7810 Orlando Ave
Lubbock, Texas 79423
Phone: 806-797-8400
Fax: 806-797-8492

Bid packages will be available at the following locations:
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SEALED BIDS addressed to Jill Hallmark, Midland ISD, 801 South Moran, Midland, TX 79701, for Annual Testing of Midland ISD Natural Gas Lines, located in Midland, TX, and bids will be received at the above address no later than 2:00 PM, on Wednesday, March 5, 2014. The bid forms and specifications may be obtained at 801 South Moran, Building #1 Midland, TX or by calling 432-689-1500.

Legal & Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

Sealed Bids addressed to Mr. James Riggen, Chief Operations Officer, Midland ISD, 550 West Texas Ave., Suite 200, Fasken Center, Tower II, Midland, TX 79701, for - Emergency Power & Generator for Data Center at the Administration Building for Midland ISD - 2012 Bond, located in Midland, TX, will be received at the above address no later than 3:00 PM, on Tuesday, March 4, 2014. The Bid forms and specifications may be obtained at 550 West Texas Ave., Suite 200, Fasken Center, Tower II, Midland, TX 79701 by calling 432-978-4833.

Legal & Public Notices

The Big Spring State Hospital Governing Body will convene an Executive Governing Body meeting at 8:30 a.m., March 13, in the Big Spring State Hospital Professional Library Conference Room, 1901 N. Hwy 87. Any citizen wishing to address the Governing Body must schedule an appointment through the Superintendent's office by calling (432) 268-7222. Appointments must be scheduled no later than March 10. Public comments are limited to three minutes and will begin at 1:30 p.m. If you require special accommodations, please advise the Superintendent's office when scheduling your appointment. Written comments also may be submitted to Claudene Cooper, Big Spring State Hospital, 1901 N. Hwy 87, Big Spring, TX, 79720, or e-mailed to claudene.cooper@dshs.state.tx.us.

BSSH complies with the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Titles VI and VII; the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504; Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; and the Age Discrimination in Employment Act.

General Announcements

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Furniture

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Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 38 Case No. 08-0287083
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Feb 6, 2014 — Status/Permit No. 777401
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, March 13, 2014
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC.**, [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a **density exception permit under** the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (**16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38**). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the **field rules for the NEW DRILL** permit in Sec. 49, Blk. KING, J M Survey, A-792, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 8.5 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512) 463-6848.**

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Mar 13, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below.

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name:	KING 'D'	
Lease/Unit Well No:	4907H	
Lease/Unit Acres:	813.2	
Nearest Lease Line (ft):	100.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft):	36.0	
Lease Lines:	262.0 F SOUTH L.	505.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines:	262.0 F SOUTH L.	829.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location:
Lease Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L
505.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location:
Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
493.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
493.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, MANDY HEDGPETH, at (972) 969-3873.

Legal & Public Notices

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OIL AND GAS DIVISION

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Texas Department of Transportation

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The proposed project would reconstruct and widen the IH 20 frontage roads from two lanes to three lanes (the additional lane would be a through lane) near Farm-to-Market (FM) 715 and SH 158; extend and widen on/off ramps; reverse the eastbound on-ramp near Lamesa Road to an off-ramp; and reverse the eastbound off-ramp near FM 715 to an on-ramp. These improvements would improve the turning movements at the FM 715 and SH 158 intersections. The proposed improvements are approximately 1.8 miles in length. The existing right of way width varies but is 300 feet typically. No new right of way will be needed. No relocation of residences and businesses are expected. The project does not encroach on a floodplain, wetland or sole-source aquifer recharge zone.

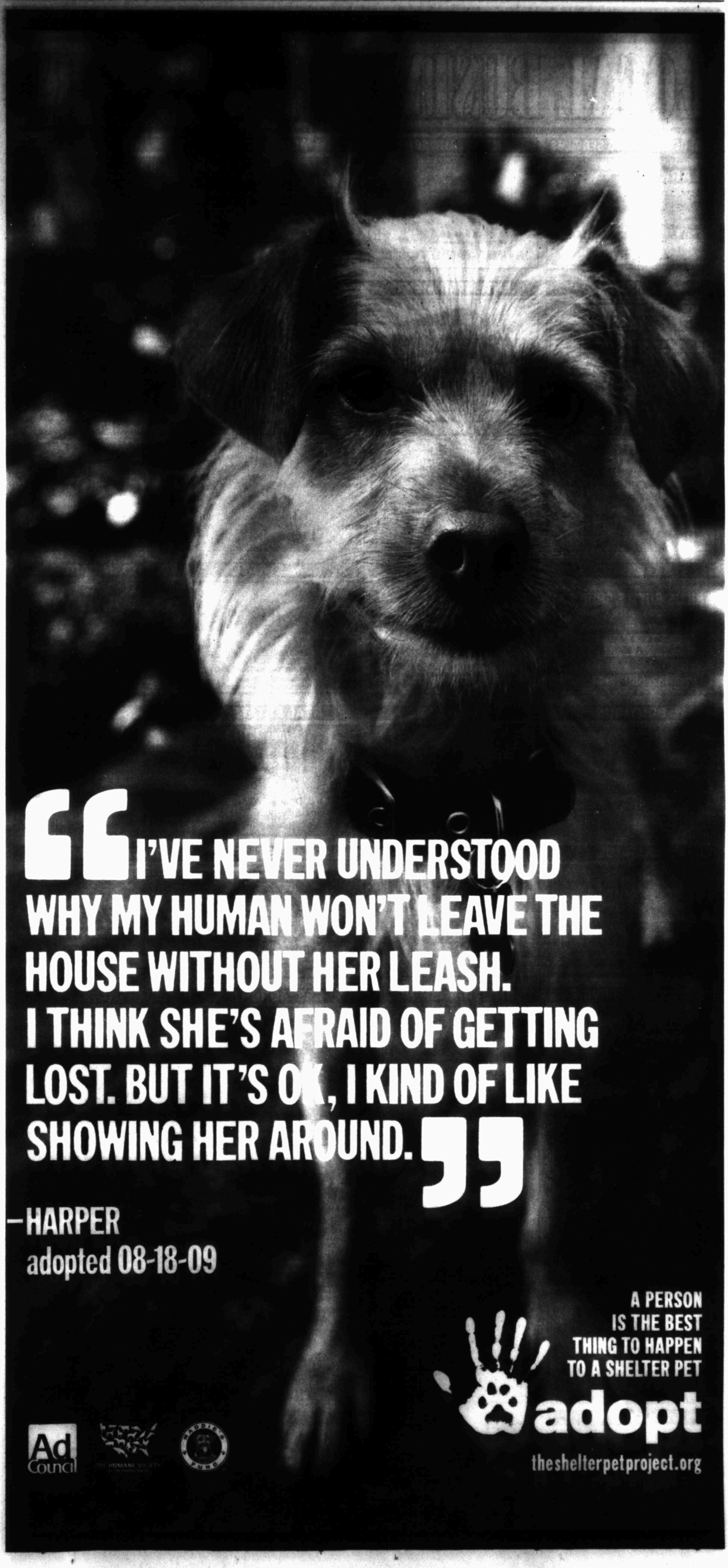
The project is needed because the current ramp geometry, combined with higher traffic volumes and low level of service (LOS) at the FM 715 and SH 158 intersections, causes traffic to queue on to the IH 20 main lanes. The purpose of the proposed project is to reduce ramp congestion and the potential hazard of traffic queuing on to the IH 20 main lanes by improving intersection operations and ramp configurations.

Design drawings, environmental documentation, and other information about the proposed project will be available for review at the Public Hearing along with project personnel to help answer any questions. In addition, this information will be available for public review beginning five (5) business days prior to the hearing at the Odessa District Office of TxDOT located at 3901 E. Highway 80 in Odessa, Texas. No tentative construction schedule is available at this time.

Verbal and written comments may be presented at the hearing or submitted within 10 business days after the hearing. Written comments may be submitted to the attention of: Matt C. Carr, P.E., Advanced Planning Engineer, TxDOT, Odessa District, 3901 East Highway 80, Odessa, Texas 79761. All written comments must be received by 5:00 pm, April 1, 2014, to be included with the official public hearing transcript for the project.

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KNOW WHO'S BOSS

By PATRICIA RIVERA
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With managers taking on more responsibilities than in past years, workers now have an important task on their plate: manage their own professional progress and the relationship with their supervisors.

Laura Lee Rose, a business and career management coach in Raleigh, N.C., says employees must know how to clearly articulate their career to their supervisors and take responsibility for the relationships with their bosses.

"Busy managers are often impatient with items not directly associated with today's goals. They have little time to spend on career management and individual development plans for their employees," she says.

Bosses do have the obligation to: provide a clear direction and vision of company goals; outline department's business commitments; articulate job expectations and keep the team on target; and communicate progress, problems and issues.

But your boss is not responsible for you to have: a satisfying professional life, a comfortable work-life balance, good relations with your co-workers, executive exposure and a long-lasting job.

Rose suggests taking time to understand your manager's style. There are several types of managers and leaders that have been identified over the years. For instance, noted psychologist Daniel Goldman outlines six distinct approaches to leadership in his book "Primal Leadership, With a New Preface by the Authors: Unleashing the Power of Emotional Intelligence." (Harvard Business Review Press, 2013)

An affiliative leader creates harmony by connecting people to each other. A coaching leader connects what a person wants with the organization's goals. A commanding leader soothes fears by giving clear direction in an emergency. A democratic leader values people's input and gets commitment through participation. A pacesetting leader meets challenging and exciting goals. A visionary leader moves people towards shared dreams.

Rose adds that despite their style, it's also crucial to understand that bosses are busy and overworked. So as an employee, you must interpret cues and take the lead. For instance:

- Your boss has a job that needs to get done and often doesn't care how it gets done or who does it. You have the opportunity to offers alternative resources or approaches.
- Your boss can't read minds and doesn't realize your challenges. He doesn't know your other obligations. You must communicate frequently, request one-on-one meetings to discuss your goals and areas that might need improvement and prepare for upcoming performance evaluations.
- Your boss wants to give good performance reviews because these make for easier conversations and reflect that he is meeting his business goals. You must help by requesting quarterly performance evaluations, even if they are informal, and understand the reason for goals and metrics.
- Your boss wants to look good to executives, meet his performance goals and produce quality service and products. You can help by proposing new revenue-generating solutions and focus on cost-saving procedures.
- Your boss expects excellent work and won't offer a reward for just doing what is expected. You must differentiate from the pack and do tasks beyond your defined role.

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WE COULD BE HEROES...

READING MINDS? FLYING TO THE OFFICE? THESE WORKERS DREAM OF WORK-RELATED SUPERPOWERS.

By DAWN KLINGENSMITH
CTW Features

Getting ahead – or just getting by – in business is tough. In the Gotham that is Corporate America, evildoers run rampant and nice people with good ideas get beaten down all the time. Feeling besieged and powerless, the good workers of America start to do what's only natural yet not at all productive: fantasize about having superpowers. At least, a select few did when prompted. Their chosen superpowers – the kind they imagined would help them succeed in business – ranged from funny to philosophical.

Some chose superpowers straight out of Marvel or DC Comics. Self-propelled flight would free up weary commuters and business travels from traffic jams and TSA lines. Invisibility would allow them to spy on the competition.

Mindreading in various forms – from a B.S. detector to a thought balloon generator – was a popular choice. "I believe my job is to help people get what they need and want, but sometimes they don't communicate all that well or can't verbalize exactly what they need," says Peg Newman, a managing partner in the Salt Lake City office of Sanford Rose Associates, a global executive search firm. "If I could read minds, they would get exactly what they want every time."

Because change and adaptability are important for long-term success in business, Michael E. Echols, executive vice president of Bellevue University's Human Capital Lab in Nebraska, says he'd like a clear indicator when people aren't receptive to change: "New ideas are often sabotaged by old beliefs. My superpower would be to be able to see, in a bubble above each person's head, their true belief about the change initiatives under discussion."

Others wanted to read hearts as well as minds. "I'm naturally a giver and always look for the best in other people. While that has served me extremely well in business and in life, I sometimes get burned," says Jillian Koeneman, founder of Freshlime digital marketing firm in Goshen, Ind. "I'd love the supernatural ability to look into a business colleague's heart to know what their true intentions or motivations for doing something are. Granted, I may not like what I see, but at least I would be well-informed and could maneuver around it."

Negotiation expert Jim Camp says he wants not just for himself but for all of his Camp Negotiation Institute graduates to have an "instant slate cleaner for the brain" to turn off all the assumptions about the other party in a negotiation and to clear the mind of all emotion, including hope. "This superpower would enable the negotiator to gain the advantage," he explains, "because while we are asking questions, learning everything we can about the other party and gaining valuable information we can use to show the other party that we offer the best solution to their problem, the other party is feeling overconfident and spilling the beans, and perhaps feeling superior or cagey. The party ruled by emotions and assumptions always loses."

Speaking of losses, wouldn't it be handy in business and life to identify a losing proposition? Life and business strategist Lorin Beller wants to equip her fellow entrepreneurs with a superpower that tells them whether to keep pushing to reach a goal or let it go. "This is always a personal decision that only we can make, but if we had a superpower that allowed us to know that our efforts will pay off, or not, this would change everything," she says.

Taking a practical approach, Chris Szyprynge rejects the idea of drawing on superpowers when there are so many real powers available to the average worker looking to get ahead or address a specific problem. "Invisibility" to management is not a superpower but a real career hindrance for some employees, Szyprynge points out, but they can make management take notice simply by exploiting the power of perception available to us all. "How people perceive your performance can be very different from your actual work. If you arrive to work before your supervisor does and always stay after he or she leaves, the perception may be that you are a go-getter or hard worker, even if your performance is sub-par," says Szyprynge, academic program manager of business and co-director of undergraduate business at Post University's Malcolm Baldrige School of Business in Waterbury, Conn. "Hey, you're getting noticed, and that's usually a good thing. However, these perceptions can fade over time. The good news is that these perceptions can also buy you time" to do what it takes to develop your skills and improve your performance so perception matches reality.

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JOB ADVICE

CAREER ADVICE? FINISH THAT DEGREE

"We have a complex economy and it is hard for adults to find a place in it," observes Clark University research professor of psychology Jeffrey Arnett.



That difficulty is reflected in the seven jobs, on average, that adults between the ages of 20 and 29 hold, says Arnett, who conducts the Clark University Poll of Emerging Adults.

One reason for the job-hopping is that young workers receive little guidance from the educational system, Arnett explains.

Many young workers are struggling alone to find a career path. "It can involve a lot of meandering or hitting dead-ends when you're exploring what to do," Arnett says.

Now, we have a new "knowledge economy," whereby employers want very skilled workers, and "it is the increasing need for skill development after high school that has delayed young adults' careers," finds a recent report from the Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce.

Indeed, the many young people working part-time while attending college is linked to frequent job changes, as students are taking various jobs "just to pay the bills" and not as a long-term career, notes Arnett.

He worries that so many college students who combine part-time work with classes don't finish on the path, which can add years to the traditional timeframe for a degree.

"Only 59 percent of students who enter a four-year program have attained a degree six years later," Arnett notes.

There is a strong likelihood that a degree will put young adults on a more lucrative path, says Arnett. He has summarized various estimates and finds grads will earn about one million more dollars over the life of their career than their degree-less peers.

– Marilyn Kennedy Melia

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- In-depth knowledge of commercial insurance
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- Knowledge of and familiarity with areas/zones of drilling
- Experience with rating for control of well coverage and credits/charges applicable for the different types of drilling, work over, operations, etc.
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Qualified candidates should submit their resume to Culver Wilson, Vice President of Human Resources at *culver_wilson@mhbt.com*, or call **972-770-1608.**

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Candidate must have strong experience in oil and gas accounting. Candidate will be doing joint interest billing, revenue distribution, AP, AR, and other accounting duties. Degree Preferred. Must have 5+ years of experience. Call ShaeAnn Dooley at **432-684-5900** or e-mail resumes to **ppi@preferred-personnel.com**

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- **Minimum of 2 years clerical experience**
- **Some college preferred**
- **Thorough knowledge of general office procedures**
- **Must have proficient Microsoft Office skills**
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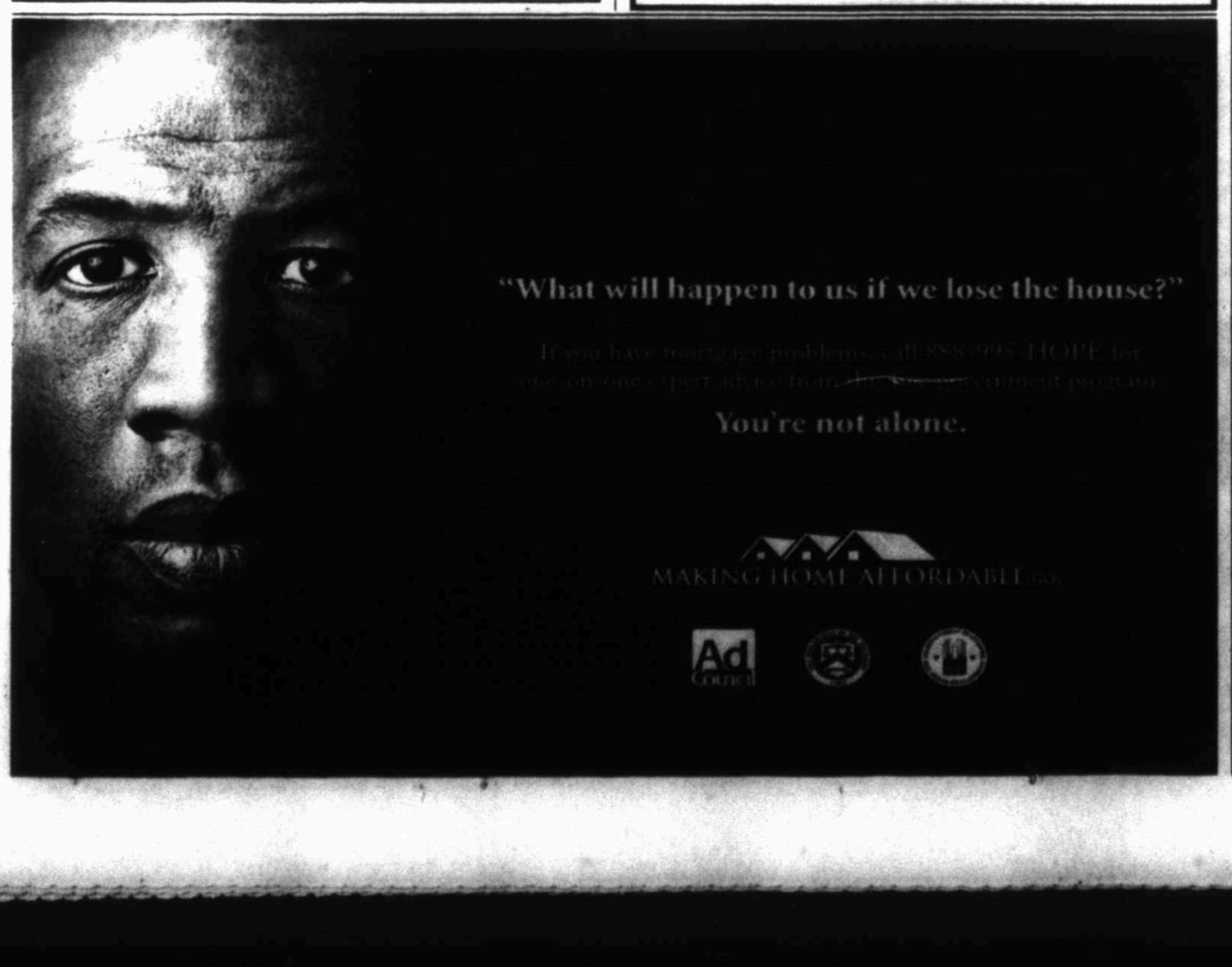
TRUE OIL

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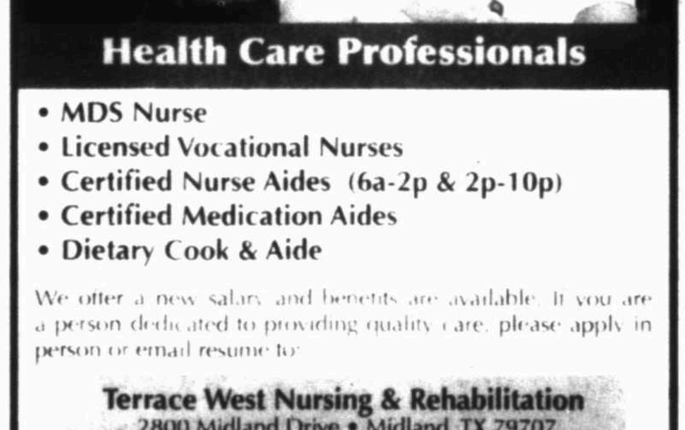
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- Perform fluid level and dynamometer work on problem wells, wells that the well analyst needs assistance on, as well as new horizontal wells with gas interference issues
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  - Gas Engine setup and operation
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- Ensure every well with a POC is properly configured to allow accurate downhole card analysis and is operating with no hardware defects
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- Direct field-based well failure activities; identify, validate, and react to well failures
- Direct Field Techs to well issues as appropriate
- Execute displacement changes (SL, SPM)
- Coordinate maintenance of POCs
- Resolve well and hardware alarms
- Coordinate resolution of problems with Field Techs
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Qualifications:

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Midland Reporter-Telegram
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INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE

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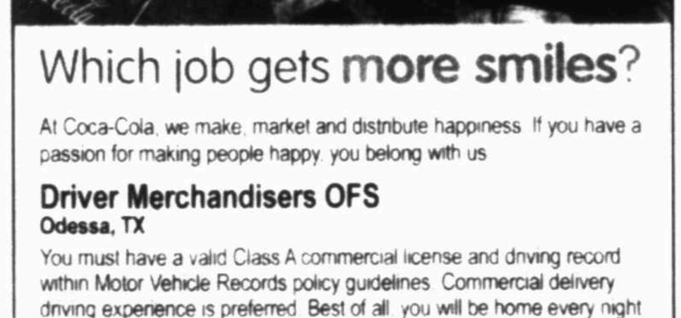
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NATIONAL SALES ASSISTANT
CBS-7 has an opening for a Full-Time National Sales Assistant. Duties will include receiving and inputting orders, maintaining files both paper and electronic and working with ordering agencies/clients and the TV traffic department. Interested applicants should send resumes or fill out an application at CBS7, 4101 E. 42nd St., Box 107, Odessa, TX 79762 or E-mail to rroberts@cbs7.com. CBS7 is an EEO Employer. Paid vacation and health benefits available.

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Wednesday, April 9
10am - 3pm
Midland Center, 105 N Main St

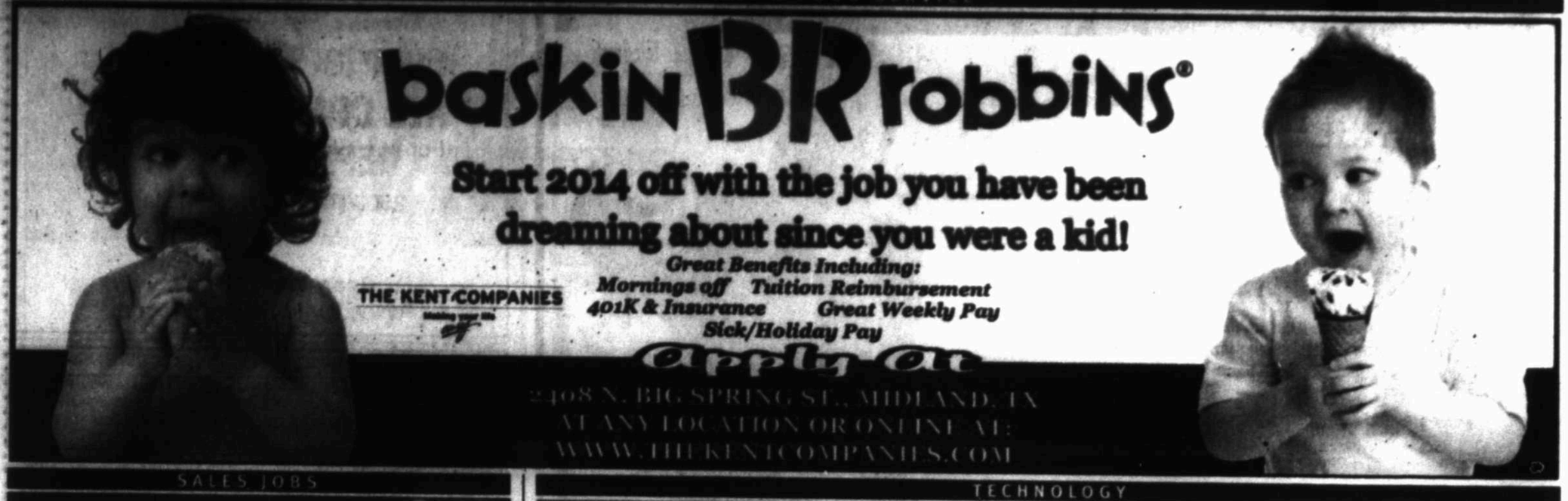
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RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE



SALES JOBS

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Account Manager, Relief
Req # 0019719

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District Sales Manager, Combo
Req # 0019742

Lead the sales team handling the execution of sales initiatives with full responsibility for sales execution in all local, regional and national assigned accounts. High School or GED (General Education Diploma) and 2+ years of experience in consumer products/direct store delivery sales are required. Bachelor's degree preferred. Valid driver's license and driving record within MVR policy guidelines a must.

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SPEECH INSTRUCTOR
TRANSPORTATION TRAINER
VEHICLE MAKE READY/DRIVER
WFCE INSTRUCTOR
WFCE MARKETING REPRESENTATIVE

PART TIME
FITNESS CENTER ATTENDANT
HUMAN RESOURCES/PAYROLL CLERK
NIGHT SWITCHBOARD OPERATOR
SECURITY OFFICER (MAIN CAMPUS - NIGHTS)
SHIPPING AND RECEIVING CLERK
WRTTC PC TECHNICIAN

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For additional information on these positions please visit our website at www.midland.edu/jobs, or go directly to the Human Resources office located at 3600 N. Garfield or call (432) 685-4532.

Multiple Positions Available
Midland County has the following positions available. • Network Administrator •16-Jailers •CJAC Coordinator •3-Equipment Operators •2-Detention Officers Juvenile •Elections Administrator •Court Administrator CCL2 •Probation Officers Juvenile Probation •Court Clerk JP2. Please see our website www.co.midland.tx.us/departments/hr/pages/Employment for more details and applications. To be considered you must send a completed application with job reference number to Midland County Human Resources Office, 500 N. Loraine St., Ste. 100 Midland, TX 79701 or hr@co.midland.tx.us

PIPEYARD SUPERVISOR
United Casing, Inc.
Requirements: Knowledge of oilfield casing & tubing; 3-5 years experience. Must be able to work extended hours (weekends on-call) and handle high volume (trucks, production lines, inventory) in a fast paced environment. Knowledge of Microsoft applications (Word, Excel, Outlook). Must be able to schedule all yard functions: trucks, employees, thread lines, etc. Pay rate based on skills and experience. Send all inquiries and resumes to bquigley@unitedcasing.com or bring to 3610 E. Highway 158, Midland. Qualified Applicants Only.

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Shelter Case Manager: Full time position with benefits for High Sky Children's Ranch. Requires strong writing skills and the ability to develop a team focused on improving the lives of children's and meeting their behavioral and developmental needs. Must be able to self-manage a high volume of documentation requirements and meet deadlines as requested. Requires ability to do on call and work outside of regular business hours at times. Position requires a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree, preferably in the social service field, 2 years of full time work and supervisory experience with children, families, and staff. For a full job description please contact Shawna Bowerman at shawnab@highsky.org. Position closes on 03/31/14. No phone calls please.

QA & QUALITY CONTROL

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RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

All Positions
Cattle Baron — FT
Accepting applications for **All Positions** between 2pm & 4pm Monday - Friday. No phone calls please. With competitive pay. Apply at: 418 West Wadley, Midland, Tx 79705.

Strawberry Fields Café has openings for motivated individuals with a great attitude and self starters. Great work environment, great management, pleasant customers. Part time and Full time positions are available. Apply in person at 2311 W Wadley Ave., Midland. Hours of operation are 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday thru Friday / 9:30 am to 7:00 pm on Saturday. We are closed on Sundays!

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SALES JOBS

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The Midland Reporter-Telegram and mywesttexas.com advertising department is looking for a Multi-Media Sales Consultant. The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of personal sales successes, preferably in a newspaper/media environment. Some knowledge of the advertising industry would be helpful, but not required.

Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products, including mywesttexas.com.

Qualifications & Skills:

- *Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented environment*
- *Excellent customer service and time management skills*
- *Highly organized with the ability to work independently with minimal supervision*
- *Detail-oriented with good communication, spelling and math skills*

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Jeri Houston, Advertising Sales Manager
Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Avenue, Midland, TX 79701
or email to: jhouston@mrt.com

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Forklift Operator

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an opening in its Production Department for the Position of "Fork Lift Operator" and other duties as assigned.

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

- Ability to read and write
- Ability to lift up to 50 lbs.
- Ability to bend and reach overhead
- Ability to count accurately and do simple math
- Able to operate a forklift and willing to be certified
- Be reliable, responsible and able to follow instructions
- Capable of standing and walking for extended period of time
- Able to work in various environments that include winter and summer conditions.
- Must be able to work weekends when necessary

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Accurate loading and unloading of printed materials in a safe and efficient manner
- Ensure material are efficiently/properly stacked and stored in appropriate and designated areas
- Perform other non-forklift duties when assigned

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Send resume and salary requirements to: **John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities**
c/o Midland Reporter Telegram - 201 E. Illinois St - Midland, TX 79701
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- Understanding of computers
- Retail experience is preferred but no required

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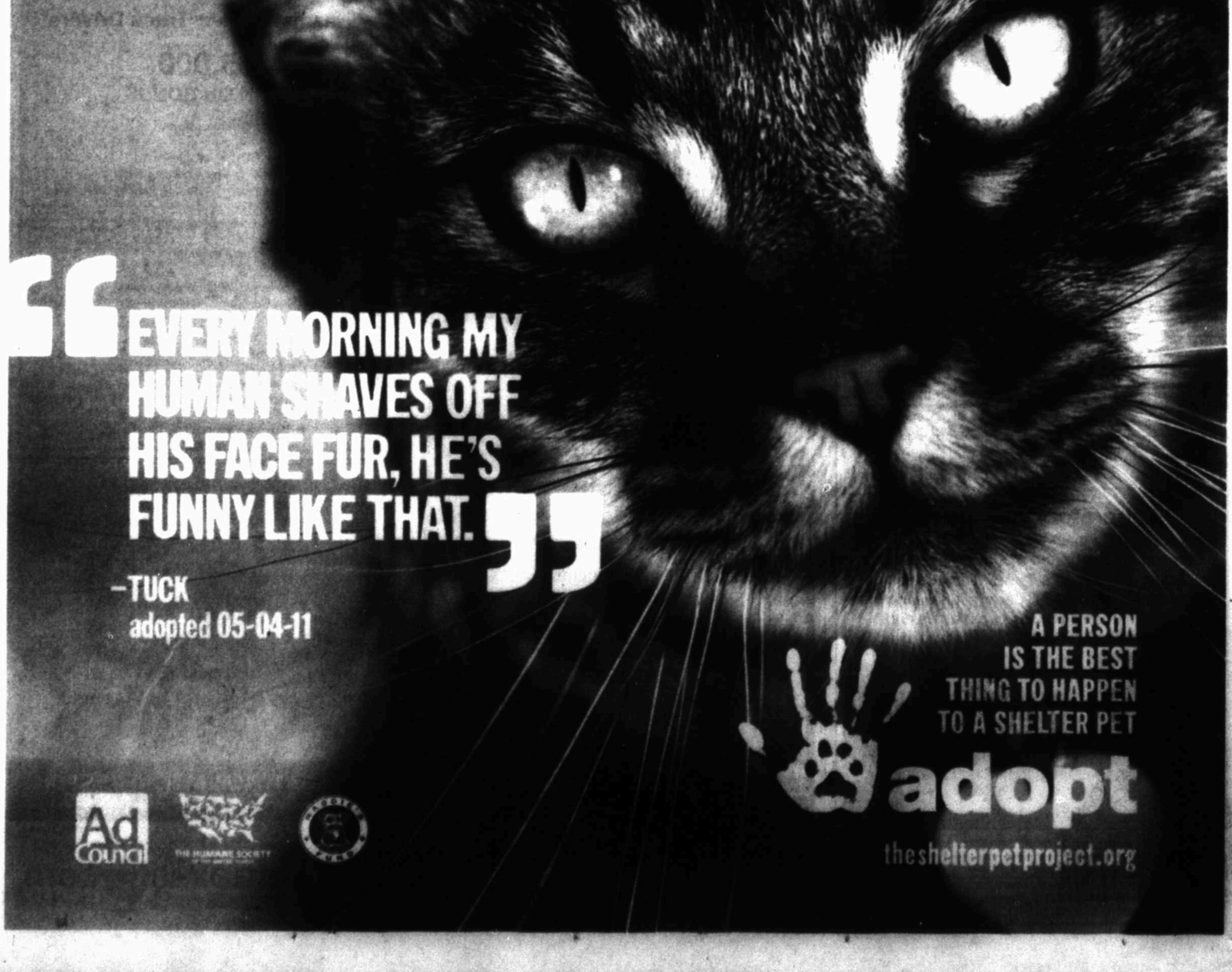
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For many borrowers, the thought of a 500-page mortgage application surely seems intimidating, but then the same can be said for applications with a mere 100 pages.

In any case, do such paperwork dreadnoughts really exist? In a strange way, the answer is yes and no, depending on whether you're a borrower or a lender.

Certainly it is true that at the height of the mortgage ramp-up, some mortgage applications could be stiletto thin – "no doc" loan applications, for example, contained just about no information other than a credit report and property appraisal. Unfortunately, the trade-off for less paperwork was a massive number of foreclosures.

Today, all "qualified mortgages" are required to have fully documented applications, thus it is certainly true that a mortgage application today is likely to have more paperwork than one from 2006.

The benefit of additional paperwork is obvious: In November, foreclosure levels were at an 8-year low, according to RealtyTrac.

Where the paperwork begins to add up is with more complicated applications. Borrowers with rental units, for example, must provide leases, which can run 15 or 20 pages long. Bank account statements can run 15 or 20 pages per month, and lenders will want paperwork for at least two months. A residential appraisal can be another 20 pages. Retirement account paperwork adds up, too.

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The good news is that much of the paperwork must be created and completed by the lender, so it's not usually the borrower who must turn in 500 pages of documentation, it's the lender.

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Here, experienced property managers share tips on getting started with your rental.

IT'S A TIME COMMITMENT

"Depending on how many units someone wants to manage, it's definitely a big time investment," says Doug Breaker, CEO of HomeFinder.com, which provides online real estate tools. People often underestimate the amount of time it takes to be a landlord, Breaker adds.

HAVE A FINANCIAL PLAN IN PLACE

"You have to analyze this like any investment," says Bill Bluhm, a broker associate with Sotheby's International Realty in Salinas, Calif. The key is knowing how to analyze real estate, which an agent or financial adviser may help you understand, Bluhm says.

Identify your long-term goals

RENTING OUT A PROPERTY HAS THE POTENTIAL TO BE A LUCRATIVE ENDEAVOR, BUT THERE ARE MANY TO-DO'S TO CROSS OFF YOUR LIST BEFORE YOU START TAKING IN TENANTS

Even when it comes to evicting a tenant, local, state or city regulations may permit a tenant to stay even when rent money is owed, says Peggy Murphy, a property owner in Chicago who has dealt with difficult evictions more than once.

Whether or not you use a property management service, screening and finding new tenants, dealing with leases, managing repairs and collecting rent all take time.

Breaker advises putting aside 20 percent of annual rental income as a "rainy day fund" in the case that you are faced with a costly repair to your property.

WHEN FINDING TENANTS, DO YOUR HOMEWORK

Run credit checks on all applicants and check their references of past landlords.

"Most individual owners don't have the ability to run credit; they don't know how to call and talk to a landlord, says Bluhm. A number of online credit-check services are available; most require a one-time or subscription fee.

Finding new tenants can be a time-consuming process and is an important consideration to take before renting your property, says Murphy.

RESEARCH YOUR LOCAL MARKET

If it's a neighborhood heavy in rentals, go on several rental sites and see the rental price of comparable units, says Breaker. On the other hand, if your property is in an area with a lot of homeownership, talk to a real estate agent about what people are looking for in the market and what's important to them.

"Getting that first-hand knowledge will definitely be helpful as a person looks to either buy a rental unit or convert something they own to a rental unit," Breaker says.

GET LEGAL ADVICE

If you're a first-time landlord who has no prior knowledge of legal contracts and leases, sit down with a real estate attorney, says Bluhm. Make sure to have him or her recommend a contract that can be enforced, in the case that there is a tenant violation.

USE A PROPERTY MANAGEMENT SERVICE

The easiest way to combat making fatal first-time errors is to hire a property-management service. From maintenance and repairs to credit checks, a good property manager can lessen the burden of landlord duties.

However, these services don't come free. An average fee for property management is 10 percent of the annual rental income for its services, although some may have additional fees, says Bluhm.

"There's definitely a cost to using a property management company, and depending the rental market, that can eat a lot of profit of the particular unit," Breaker says.

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MARKET CONDITIONS

REAL ESTATE NOT IMMUNE TO WINTER'S ARCTIC BLAST

Frigid temps have kept would-be buyers indoors, slowing down sales figures

Bring on the spring thaw!

The polar vortex didn't just make for brutal weather conditions — it also made for some less-than-ideal real estate conditions.

Both the National Association of Home Builders and the National Association of Realtors cite recent extreme weather as debilitating factors to the home sales this winter.

The unusually severe weather conditions across the bulk of the U.S., coupled with concerns over the cost and availability of labor and lots, pushed down the NAHB/Wells Fargo Housing Market Index by 10 points in February to 46. The monthly survey tracks builder perceptions of current single-family home sales, sales expectations for the next six months and prospective-buyer traffic; any number over 50 indicates that more builders view the conditions as good versus poor. All three major HMI components declined in February.

The NAHB figures follow news last month from the NAR that showed a drop in pending home sales across all four major regions of the country in December. The NAR's Pending Home Sales Index, a forward-looking sales indicator based on contract signings, fell to 92.4 in December, down 8.7 percent from revised November. The abnormal weather majority of the country forced people indoors and prevented some buyers from looking at homes or making offers, said Lawrence Yun, the NAR's chief economist, in a statement. The data, which reflect contracts but no closings, is at its lowes since October 2011.

David Crowe, the NAHB's chief economist, added that the weather conditions also hurt retail and auto sales, which had a contributing effect on the demand for new homes.

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You should be aware of all easements, rights and claims made on your land while you are living on it.



Pruitt

Jenneen Pruitt, Broker/Associate, Pine & Beckett Realtors.

Do You Have the Right Home Insurance?

Buying a home is a wonderful feeling. But now that you're a proud owner, are you also a safe one? Do you have adequate home insurance? Below is a guide that will help you navigate through the ins and outs of several different types of home insurance.

HO-1

This is bare-bones policy, and has actually been discontinued in several states. This policy offers liability insurance, hazard insurance and a list of "named perils"— fire or lightening, volcanic eruption, explosions, and more.

This protects against several natural disasters and catastrophic events, as well as your personal belongings.However, it will not guard against earthquakes, floods, war, and nuclear accidents.

Often, your lender may require that you purchase flood or earthquake insurance if the house is in a flood zone or a region susceptible to earthquakes.

HO-2

This is an expanded version of HO-1, and includes any structure on your property, like that shed or pool house. The list of perils in HO-2 is longer than HO-1, and includes things like falling objects, freezing, and the weight of ice, snow or sleet.

HO- 3

HO-3 is the most commonly used coverage. This is most likely because it protects homes against any damage, so long as it is not specifically excluded. This coverage is also called the special form policy.

It's important to read your policy thoroughly. With HO-3, while your home is covered against anything that is not excluded, your personal belongings are only covered for the listed perils.

Be sure to understand what this means, as well as have a grasp on what exactly is excluded.

Cash Value

A cash value policy pays owners the original purchase price of whatever was damaged, but cannot exceed the original purchase price, even if the home is valued at more.

Replacement Value Policy

This type of policy covers the cost of repairing a house and its belongings, regardless of the original purchase price. However, it cannot exceed the policy limit, meaning that a $250,000 policy, will pay for repairs and replacements up to $250,000.

Guaranteed Replacement Cost Coverage

If you want something more extensive, then the most comprehensive insurance policy is guaranteed replacement cost coverage.

This kind of coverage will pay to rebuild your home even if the cost to rebuild is more than your policy limit. Replacement cost coverage is more expensive and can cost from about $400 to $1,000 a year or more, depending on the area and the price of the home. However, even if you can afford it, this insurance is not available everywhere or for every property. For example, older homes may not be eligible. And some big insurance companies have begun to limit the amount they will pay to 120 percent of the policy's face value.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Five things to avoid in a real estate transaction

You've heard that everything is negotiable when it comes to real estate. Price, closing date, who pays for new carpet in the bedrooms, whether the patio furniture comes with the house ... any of these can be part of the deal. Just remember that whether you think negotiating in a real estate transaction is exciting or terrifying, you won't get the things you don't ask for. If there is something special you want, speak up. Your REALTOR® is an expert at hashing out contracts so both parties are content. Whatever your opinion of the process of reaching consensus may be, here are five mistakes to avoid when negotiating a deal.

Forgetting that it's not about you

Too many people let emotion dictate their negotiations. Don't get angry when a buyer presents a low offer for your home. He's not insulting you, and he doesn't think your house is a poorly maintained shack. The buyer needs to start the negotiation somewhere. He may be testing the waters to see how low you'll go. Or his negotiation tactics could have been formed in a country where negotiating is handled differently. Whatever the case, if you see the offer as an insult and choose not to counter, you may be cutting off the process that would have resulted in a sale.

On the buying side, don't get bent out of shape if a seller rejects your offer or counters with his original asking price. You may have determined that you presented a very fair price for the house. Good for you. Try again or move on. It's not personal.

Putting yourself second

Keeping emotions out of a deal also means maintaining a business relationship and not feeling sorry for the other side. If the seller rejects your fair offer based on "needing more money for my retirement fund," ask for a reason that's relevant to the property sale. On the other hand, if a buyer says they can't afford your asking price, but you believe you're asking fair market value, stick to your guns. Maybe yours just isn't the house for them.

Exceeding your limits

What's the lowest price you'll accept for your home? What concessions, if any, will you make? Answer these questions before you put your home on the market and revisit them if your home isn't seeing the activity you hoped for. And for buyers, what's the absolute most you can afford? How close are you willing to come to that number? Whether you're buying or selling, be sure to share this info with your REALTOR® so they know your priorities.

Meeting in the middle

Splitting the difference doesn't mean that both parties get a fair deal. If a buyer offered $70,000 for your $100,000 home, you countered with $90,000, and the buyer offered to split the difference at $80,000, would you feel like you both won? Whether you're buying or selling, don't allow an extreme offer to affect your counter.

Losing sight of the goal

Are you willing to jeopardize the sale of your house because the buyer wants the entryway mirror to convey? As a buyer, how will your monthly payments really be affected if the seller won't drop the price another $5,000? Sometimes you have to take a step back to make sure you're not overemphasizing one detail that is standing between you and your objective.

Your REALTOR® can help you analyze the current market and identify an appropriate buying or selling strategy for you.



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2425 Farm Rd 2458, Justiceburg, TX. - $149,500

Just a hop, skip and a jump from Lake Alan Henry. Metal home with 12" thick walls, stained concrete on just over an acre 3 bedroom, 2 bath, immaculately maintained

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5000 Glenwood-54.5/3 Stunning new construction by Joe Frazier. Estimated completion May 2013	SOLD
5012 Glenwood-4/2/3, custom built homes by Joe Frazier...coming soon	TBD
4002 Western-3/2/2 living areas and workshop. Remodeled throughout	SOLD
2911 Preston-4/2/2 with beautiful updates, gorgeous kitchen, large yard with dog run	MLS...$229,000
3001 Westfield-Fabulous 4/2 with spacious bedrooms, huge yard, 2 living areas, great covered patio and a water well	SOLD
3212 Cimarron-This home has it all. Pool, water well, metal roof, recent HVAC	MLS...$185,000
40 acre farms 70% irrigable for sale	$150,000
4208 Clover in Odessa-3/2/1 with new wood shutters throughout. New roof on the way	MLS...$119,500
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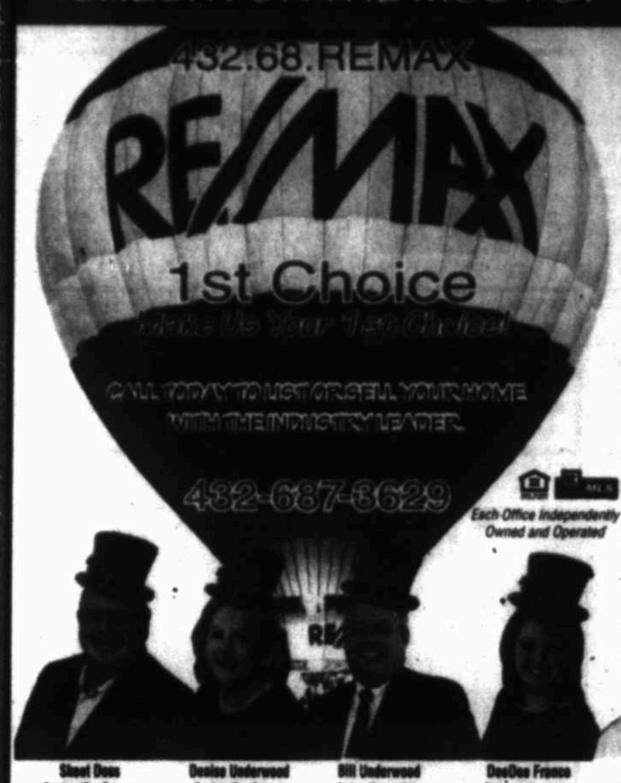
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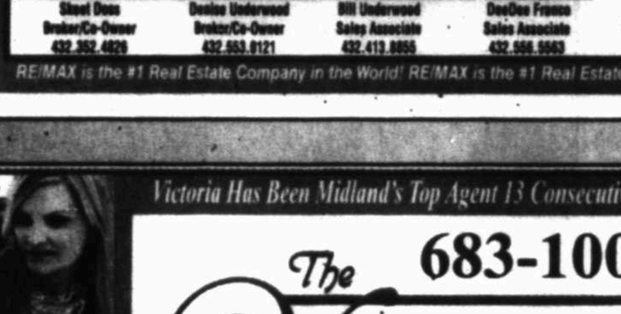
SUNDAY OPEN HOUSE

Open 1:00-2:00

1400 Pine - $279,000
Low maintenance 3 bed, 2 bath with large yard and large office. Sheet (bios 352-4928)

Open 2:30-3:30

3105 Auburn - $239,900
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4+ BEDROOMS

2301 Tosted Cir. Absolutely stunning 6 bed/5 bath + 2 half baths with saltwater pool in Texland Estates! House sits on 2.2 acres with a guesthouse, 6 living areas, and lush landscaping **$2,200,000**

3900 Fairwood-This stunning 5 bed/4.5 bath home sits on a quiet cul-de-sac in Mockingbird Heights! Some of its' incredible features include a gourmet kitchen, a beautiful wrought ironed railed staircase, hand scraped hardwood floors, gorgeous granite and a fabulous 1420 sq. ft. guesthouse! **$999,900**

4904 Inland Dr.-Spacious 5 bed/4.5 bath home in Green Tree North sits on the lake! Den boasts a towering fireplace and built-ins! Breakfast dining is open to the living and has a private patio! **$799,900**

5406 Whitman-Fantastic 5 bed/3 bath home sits on almost 7 acres! ..... **SOLD $750,000**

4700 Tottenham-Absolutely gorgeous 5 bed/3.5 bath home on 1.3 acres! Gourmet kitchen and spacious living areas! Outdoor kitchen, sparkling pool, and in-ground trampoline! **$729,000**

3400 Meadowridge Ln. Absolutely spectacular 4 bed/4 bath home in Trinity Meadows! ..... **U/C $529,000**

4200 Ivie-Spacious 4 bed/3.5 bath/2 living/2 dining home sits on 1.45 acres! 735 sq. ft. workshop, 2 water wells, and 4 car garage! **$449,000**

4002 Castleford-NEW!-Spectacular updates in this 4 bed/2.5 bath large home! Laminate wood floors and new gourmet kitchen with granite and custom cabinets! **$349,000**

4505 Rosewood Dr.-Immaculate move-in ready 4 bed/2 bath home in Briarwood! Beautifully updated throughout! Spacious living area with wood burning fireplace! Peaceful backyard with artificial turf! **$340,000**

5014 N County Rd 1130-Fantastic 4 bed/2 bath property on 5 acres in Greenwood! Metal fencing on perimeter of property! **$275,000**

9200 Dublin Ave. ODESSA-Fabulous 4 bed/2 bath home sits on a lovely cul-de-sac! ..... **SOLD $269,900**

4217 Greenbriar-NEW!- Updated 4 bed/3 bath home with sparkling pool! ..... **U/C Im 1 Day $245,000**

3042 Blossom Ln.-ODESSA-Charming updated 4 br/ 5 bed/2.5 bath home on a restful curved street in East Odessa! **$243,500**

SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 2:00 TO 3:00

3711 Todd Rd.-NEW!-Spacious 3 bed/2 bath home on 1.5 acres! Large kitchen, sequestered master bedroom, 2 dining, 2 living areas, and outdoor kitchen! **$359,900**

OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 3:00 TO 4:00

1704 Byron Ave. ODESSA- Spacious 4 bed/3 bath with sparkling swimming pool! Kitchen opens to the den! Sequestered master bedroom! **$219,000**

4+ BEDROOMS

1704 Byron Ave. ODESSA- Spacious 4 bed/3 bath with sparkling swimming pool! Kitchen opens to the den! Sequestered master bedroom! **$219,000**

3513 Imperial Ave.-Spacious 4 bed/2 bath/2 living area low maintenance home near schools!!! ..... **SOLD $198,000**

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

3304 Wrigley-NEW!-Fantastic 3 bed/3.5 bath low maintenance home in one of a kind neighborhood! ..... **U/C Im 1 Day $425,000**

3701 Timber Well Trail-Custom Robert Anderson 3 bed/3 bath new construction sits on 4.82 acres! Gourmet kitchen with stainless appliances, walk-in pantry, and granite countertops! Sequestered master has dual vanities, French doors, and huge closet! 2 water wells and RO to all sinks! **$425,000**

2616 E FM 1212 STANTON-Fabulous county property on 12.888 acres w/2 water wells, 60X25 workshop, 3 storage buildings and over 100 trees! **$370,000**

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3304 Marble-NEW!-Absolutely spectacular rockport showstopper! 3 Bed/2.5 Bath w/recently updated gourmet kitchen w/stone backsplash & granite countertops! ..... **U/C $335,000**

3905 Exiflee Dr. - Awesomely updated 3 bed/2 bath home on 1.25 acres! ..... **SOLD $329,900**

5909 Mount Vernon Ct.-NEW!-Fabulous 4 bed/2.5 bath home with 3 car garage and 7ft electric gate and fence! ..... **U/C Im 1 Day $325,000**

5500 Sundance Ct.-Spectacular updated 3 bed/2.5 bath home in Grassland! Updated gourmet kitchen w/ granite! Faux hardwood floors and miles of tile throughout! ..... **U/C $309,000**

3701 Crestwood-Absolute stunning updated 3 bed/2 bath home with miles of tile and plantation shutters! ..... **SOLD $299,900**

2304 Rothschaus Ct. - Spacious 3 bed/4 bath home with 3 living areas on a quiet cul-de-sac! ..... **SOLD $239,900**

6801 County Rd. 925-NEW!-Absolutely fantastic 3 bed/2 bath country property on 2.25 acres in Greenwood! Open floor plan with spacious rooms and 30X40 metal workshop! **$225,000**

720 Sinclair Ave. - Fabulous 4 bed/2 bath home on a huge lot with great curb appeal and a metal roof! Miles of tile, hardwood floors, and walls of windows throughout! **$219,900**

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

2210 Shell Ave.-Absolutely precious 3 bed/2 bath home with some updates! Tile wood flooring, refinished cabinets, updated guest bath! Mature landscaping! ..... **SOLD $198,000**

1310 W. Tennessee Ave.-Updated and absolutely charming 3 bed/2 bath home on a landscaped corner lot! ..... **SOLD $185,000**

1400 Hagford-NEW!-Spacious 3 bed/2 bath home with mature trees and large backyard! Over-sized living with wood beamed ceiling, built-ins, and huge brick wood burning fireplace! **$159,000**

405 Edgewood Dr.-Great 3 bed/2 bath floor plan with huge kitchen full of cabinets and fridge! ..... **SOLD $150,000**

4000 Avondale-Wow fantastic 3 bed/1.5 bath home within walking distance to school! ..... **SOLD $140,000**

100 Gray Dr. Stanton.- Nicely updated 3 bed/1.5 bath home with a bonus room! Lots of new! ..... **U/C $129,000**

LAND, LOTS AND RENTALS

4403 W-020-Great commercial land 5.1 acres with interstate 20 frontage! Business Park Zoning! **$325,000**

County Rd. 2300-Prime location for residential building sites minutes from Midland w/easy access to the loop! Deed restrictions-No mobile homes! Water Wells without pumps! 20-90 acres! **$200,000**

2270 County Rd. 2001-12.20 acre corner plat with more adjoining acreage available! Great location in developing area with easy access to Loop 250 North! **$183,000**

County Rd. 2300-Prime location for residential building sites minutes from Midland w/easy access to the loop! Deed restrictions-No mobile homes! Water Wells without pumps! 10-44 acres! **$104,400**

2221 Timber Wolf Lane-Build in Midland's newest subdivisions, Timber Wolf Estates! Huge 5 acres in Martin County! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! **$75,000**

1975 Timber Wolf Lane-Build in Midland's newest subdivisions,Timber Wolf Estates! Huge 4.8 acres in Martin County! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! **$72,000**

1906 Timber Wolf Lane-Build in Midland's newest subdivisions. Timber Wolf Estates! Huge 4.3 acres in Martin County! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! **$64,500**

Cutter Estates-Build in Gardendale's newest subdivision. Cutter Estates! Approximately .75 acre lots! $35,000 per lot! Will build to suit! 16 LOTS! **$35,000**



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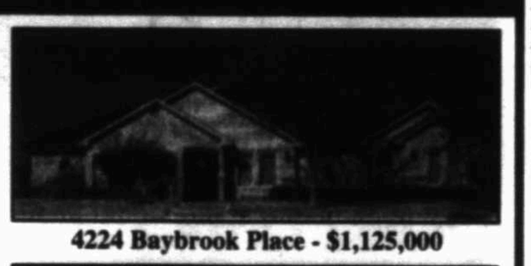
501 W. Scharbauer Dr. - $55,000



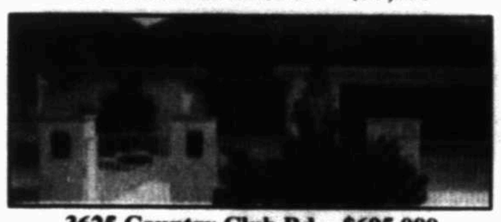
702 Shell Ave. - $159,000



8200 Edinburgh - $585,000



4224 Baybrook Place - $1,125,000



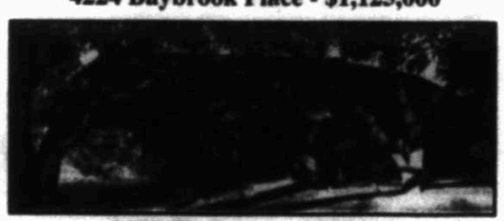
3625 Country Club Rd. - $695,000



5703 E. County Rd. 60 - $399,900



6706 West Wind Ct. - $1,300,000



2000 Shell Ave. - $825,000

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NEW AND REDUCED LISTINGS

5811 N. Midland Dr. - This spacious home has it all! Contemporary style great guest house, beautiful grounds, horse lovers dream includes an indoor arena! **$1,950,000**

2002 Sinclair-Fabulous 5BR in Warwick. 4LA, pool, spa, gameroom, beautifully updated **$1,675,000**

2900 Shell-Great price in prime location - move-in condition **$825,000**

4505 Dent Tree-Lovely 4bd/4.5 bth home in Green Tree North w/pool **$799,000**

915 Bedford Dr. - Custom one owner **$695,000**

1400 W. Co. Rd. 100-This one has it all! Including extra large pool & party room - Hurry! **$675,000**

6200 Edinburgh-4bd/3.5bth on acreage! One owner custom home w/hardwood floors and granite kitchen **$585,000**

5703 E. Co. Rd. 60-3794 sq. ft. w/in-law plan **$399,900**

3403 Limestone Ln. - Lovely 3 BR/3bath home w/ versatile plan: pretty curb appeal and back yard. **$329,900**

1714 Cessna Dr. - 3/2.5, 3 living patio home. Lush landscaping w/mature trees in front **$324,900**

17 Winchester Ct.-Bonus room, tile floors, coveted location **$319,000**

702 Shell Ave.-Very nice 3 bdrm on large lot with detached storage and carport **$159,000**

366 Kerth-one owner 3br/3ba/2 living, 1 garage. Could be 4br/3ba. 1 living, 1 garage. Washer/dryer hrg. gas range & microwave. Two storage buildings, storm shelter, newer roof shingles, HVAC **$155,000**

501 Scharbauer Dr.-Beautiful remodel now complete on this efficiency condo in Scharbauer Townhomes **$55,000**

TWO BEDROOMS

915 Bedford-Would you believe it has a racquetball court? Loads of custom features! **$695,000**

1002 Club Drive.-Low maintenance high efficiency, new construction, 2Bd/2BA townhomes near duck pond! ..... **UC $199,000**

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THREE BEDROOMS

7100 E. Co. Rd. 110-3/2.5/3 on 155.29 Acres, totally irrigated, perfect for development ' ABUNDANT WATER!' ..... **UC $2,700,000**

2000 Passage Way-20 acres in town, gorgeous! **$2,595,000**

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1005 Elmbrook-Custom one owner, bonus room for office, exercise or playroom, squeaky clean! ..... **UC $350,000**

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1101 E. County Rd. 124-3BR, 2BA, workshop, RV carport ..... **SOLD $219,000**

1002 ECR 124-Gorgeous updated 3BR, 2BA, open spacious ' chen/den. 2 car garage. 40x60 workshop. pool. 2.66 acres. Appraised for $310,000 ..... **SOLD $299,900**

1403 Lamesa Dr.-Very nice 3bd/2.5 bths with many updates ..... **UC $275,000**

3302 Rosewood Dr.-Fantastic 3 BR/2.5 bath. Jack Cunningham custom. One owner home in Fairmont Park. ..... **UC $259,000**

5919 Pedernales ..... **UC $255,000**

2305 Glenwyck Dr.-Fabulous floor plan and condition. Spacious entry, formal living/dining double fireplace in den. Huge sequestered master. 2BR's w/walk-in closets, great kitchen. 2 garage ..... **UC $249,900**

3407 S. Hwy. 349-Great Commercial location **$225,000**

2005 Wedgewood-Low maintenance and loaded - granite, stainless, plantation shutters, 3BR, 2BA, 2CG ..... **SOLD $240,000**

1110 Preston-3BR, 2BA, fresh paint, wood & tile flooring **$207,000**

4320 Parkhaven-Gorgeous 3BR, 2BA, spacious den, formal dining, eat-in kitchen, 2 garage ..... **SOLD $229,900**

4309 Spence Dr.-Great newer home w/large open living, dining, kitchen area. Move-in ready ..... **SOLD $229,900**

1009 Gehrig Ave.-Home is ready! **$209,900**

THREE BEDROOMS

1508 Cascade Ct.-Lots of updates in this lovely 3bdr/2bth warm inviting home. Must see! ..... **UC $250,000**

2417 Apperson--Lovely 3bdrm/2bth home with updated tile and appliances ..... **UC $199,000**

5106 Anetta Dr.-Cute, cute, cute ..... **UC $198,000**

2415 Storey Ave.-Nicely updated 3bdr/2bth home w/beautiful hardwood floors on large lot ..... **UC $175,000**

702 Shell Ave.-Very nice 3 bdrm on large lot with detached storage and carport **$159,000**

366 Kerth-one owner 3br/3ba/2 living, 1 garage. Could be 4br as den has closet and bath. Washer, dryer, hrg. gas range, & microwave. Two storage buildings, storm celler. Newer roof shingles, HVAC **$155,000**

295 Robles Ave. - Like New. Inside completely renovated ..... **UC $153,000**

101 W. Spruce-3br 1bath. 2 living, lots of updates - open floor plan **$139,900**

FOUR BEDROOMS

4107 Tanforan Ave.-Perfect home in Mockingbird Heights w/4BR/3.5BA. See the many amenities, gorgeous custom decor plus pool and much more. ..... **UC $1,300,000**

1002 Country Club Dr.-Beautiful 4bdr/3.5 bth in Old Midland ..... **UC $810,000**

4201 Tanforan Ave.-Fabulous custom 4BR, 4BA, (2) 1/2 baths, 3 living areas, study, 4 car garage ..... **UC $699,000**

4505 Dent Tree-Lovely home in Green Tree North with pool! **$799,000**

2907 Country Club Dr.-Wonderful 4bdr/4bth home ..... **UC $695,000**

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1707 Pedernales-Beautiful 4BR/2.5BA Kahler home with open floorplan ..... **SOLD $340,000**

2307 Maxwell-Terrific 4 bdrm home with great floor plan, high ceilings, updated kitchen and bathrooms in central location ..... **UC $249,900**

4009 Anetta Dr.-Built in 2012 gorgeous 4BR, 2BA or 3BR with study, spacious LA, open kitchen w/gas range, granite, 2 garage ..... **UC $232,900**

2107 College Ave.-Cottage look from the outside but big & grand inside. Wonderful open plan w/tons of space ..... **SOLD $180,000**

306 Kerth-one owner 3br/3ba/2 living, 1 garage. Could be 4br as den has closet and bath. Washer, dryer, hrg. gas range, & microwave. Two storage buildings, storm celler. Newer roof shingles, HVAC **$155,000**

3310 Cuthbert Ave.-Investor Special! Cash buyer - granite in kitchen **$105,000**

FIVE OR MORE BEDROOMS

4 Willow Ct.-Racquet Club at its finest. Perfect location, fantastic space, gorgeous amenities. Must see! **$2,000,000**

5011 N. Midland Dr.-This spacious home has it all! Contemporary style great guest house, beautiful grounds, horse lovers dream includes an indoor arena! **$1,950,000**

6706 West Wind Ct.-Elegant, family friendly 5/6 bedroom, 5.5 bath, 4/5 living areas, 5 car garage, parking pad, gorgeous pool/spa, koi pond, plus family yard on 4/5 Tee Box Green Tree North **$1,300,000**

4224 Baybrook Place-Beautiful 4bdr/3.5 bth home with all the bells & whistles! **$1,125,000**

2000 Shell-Fabulous 5BR in Warwick. 4LA, pool, spa, gameroom, beautifully updated **$1,675,000**

6002 Island Circle-Awesome 5/4/3 home on the lake at Green Tree North. Must see! **$744,000**

3500 Shell-5 bedroom in the "Heart of Warwick" **$625,000**

5406 Heartland Ct.-Pristine 5bdrm + den, tub flooring, quiet Grassland cul-de-sac ..... **UC $439,900**

TOWN HOMES AND PATIO HOMES

17 Winchester Ct.-Bonus room, tile floors, coveted location! **$319,000**

3009 Wedgewood-Low maintenance and loaded - granite, stainless, plantation shutters, 3BR, 2BA, 2CG, outstanding. ..... **UC $240,000**

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FOR LEASE

3302 Haynes (B)-Large 3BR, 2BA, no pets ..... **$1,600 Month**

811 S. Boulevard Dr.-3BR/2BA Pets negotiable ..... **$1,900 Month**

LOTS, LAND AND ACREAGE

7100 E. Co. Rd. 110-3/2.5/3 on 155.29 Acres, totally irrigated, perfect for development ' ABUNDANT WATER!' ..... **UC $2,700,000**

E. I-20-660+ acres just East of Midland on Interstate 20. Call Bill Scott for details ..... **UC $1,200,000**

4000 Standard-20 acres in Greenbelt, ready for development! **$600,000**

Loop 250 & I-20-approx. 20 acres, call Bill Scott ..... **UC $500,000**

5703 E. Co. Rd. 60-3794 sq. ft. w/in-law plan **$399,900**

44 Lincoln Park-San Angelo lot & boat house, Lake Nasworthy **$170,000**

Buckingham Subs-1 Acre lot **$139,500**

7000, 7002 & 7010 Keyhawk, Odessa-Very few lots left in Castle Ridge Phase 2-Hurry! ..... **UC $62,000 ea.**

COMMERCIAL INVESTMENT PROPERTY

One Petroleum Center, Bldg. 4-Sublease or possible new lease, 4,069 NRSF, 10 offices, conference room, breakroom, file room and reception area. ..... **Call Bill Scott for lease...682-1111 or 559-6240 or Brandee Holt at 230-4488**

One Petroleum Center, Bldg. 4-Sublease or possible new lease, 4,021 NRSF, 13 offices, file room and conference room. ..... **Call Bill Scott for lease...682-1111 or 559-6240 or Brandee Holt at 230-4488**

216-218 Snow-Free standing building with 2 suites. Clinic with 7 exam rooms, 2 offices, copy room, waiting area, reception & 5 bathrooms. 2nd office suite with 11 offices, reception, conference room, 2 break rooms, storage and 5 bathrooms. ..... **Call Bill Scott or Brandee Holt $1,300,000**

2126 Commerce Dr.-Approximately 32,600 sq. ft. warehouse/fabrication facility with over 6,400 sq. ft. of office, easy access to I-20 or Hwy. 80. Call Bill Scott ..... **REDUCED $995,000**

2000 Block of N. Midkiff-2.0+/- acres for development, great for office complex. Call Bill Scott **$575,000**

1702 E. Ave Jonny-3,000 sq. ft. warehouse or shop. Call Bill Scott 682-1111 or Brandee Holt 230-4488 ..... **$150,000**

6 Cotton Flat Rd.-Zoned Industrial Park **$100,000**

OUT OF TOWN PROPERTIES

3825 Country Club, San Angelo-Fabulous! Lake front home, Southwestern Style **$695,000**

7000 Keyhawk-Hurry to make your selections on this custom 4/3/3 Trailbridge Home in Odessa! ..... **UC $395,725**

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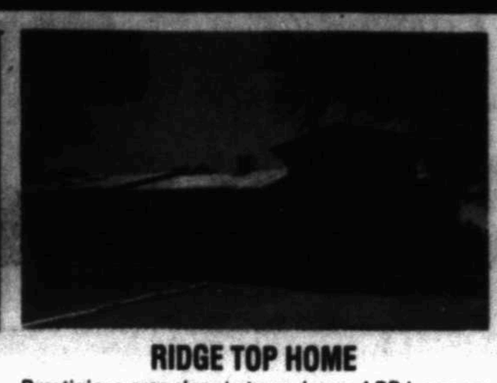
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3124 Fairfield.....Call Kay Sutton 416-0299
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4304 N. Co. Rd. 1283.....Call Kay Sutton 416-0299
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5309 Ellen Joyce Way.....Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Dale Lockhough 553-8706
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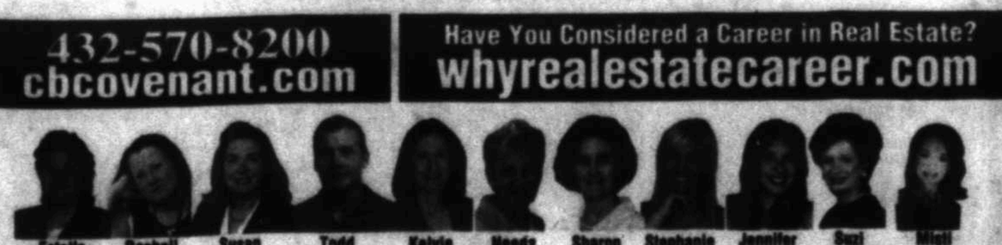
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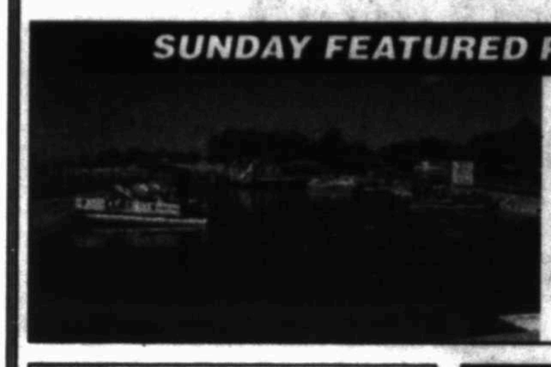
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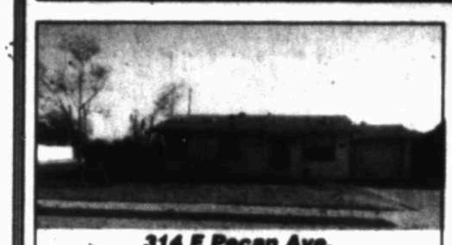
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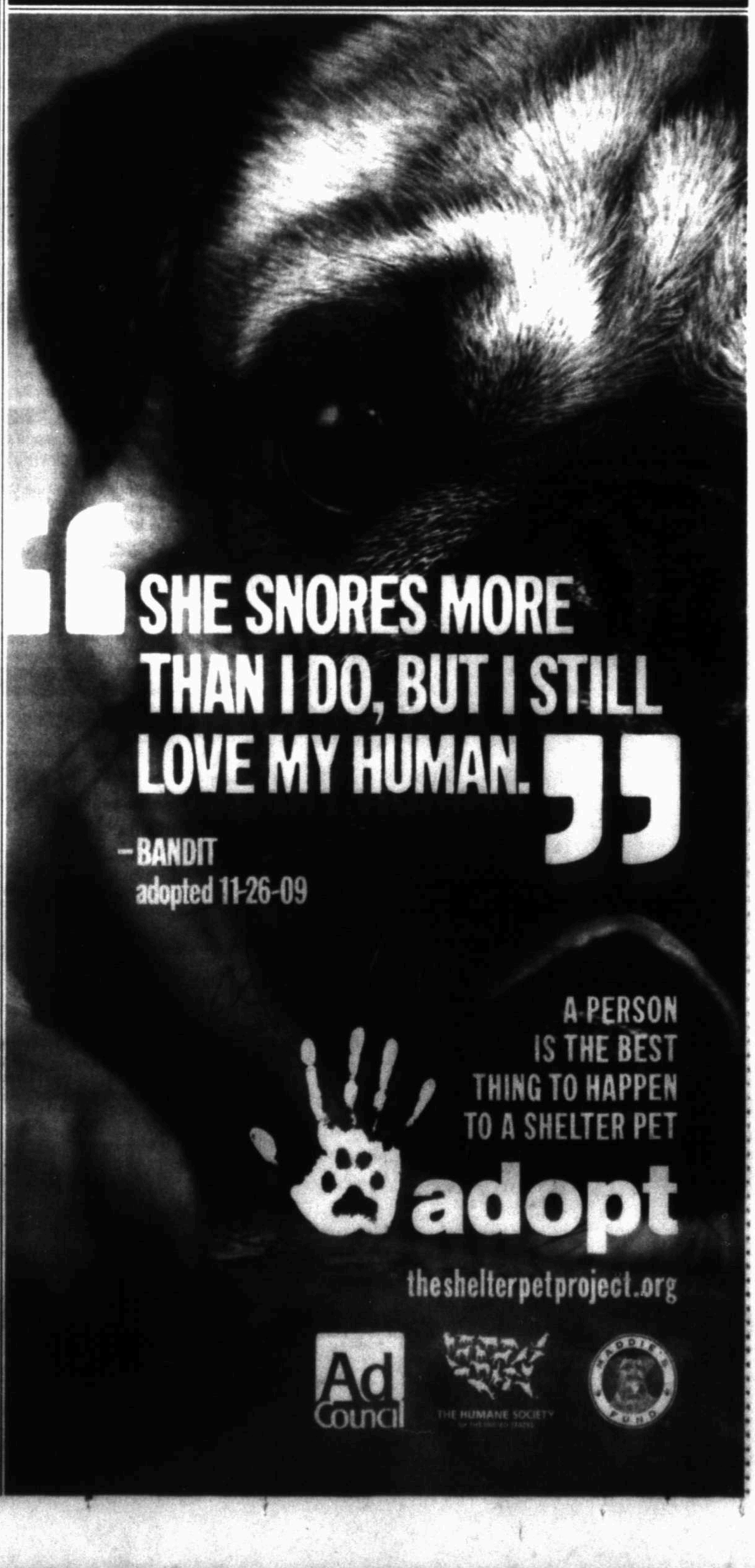
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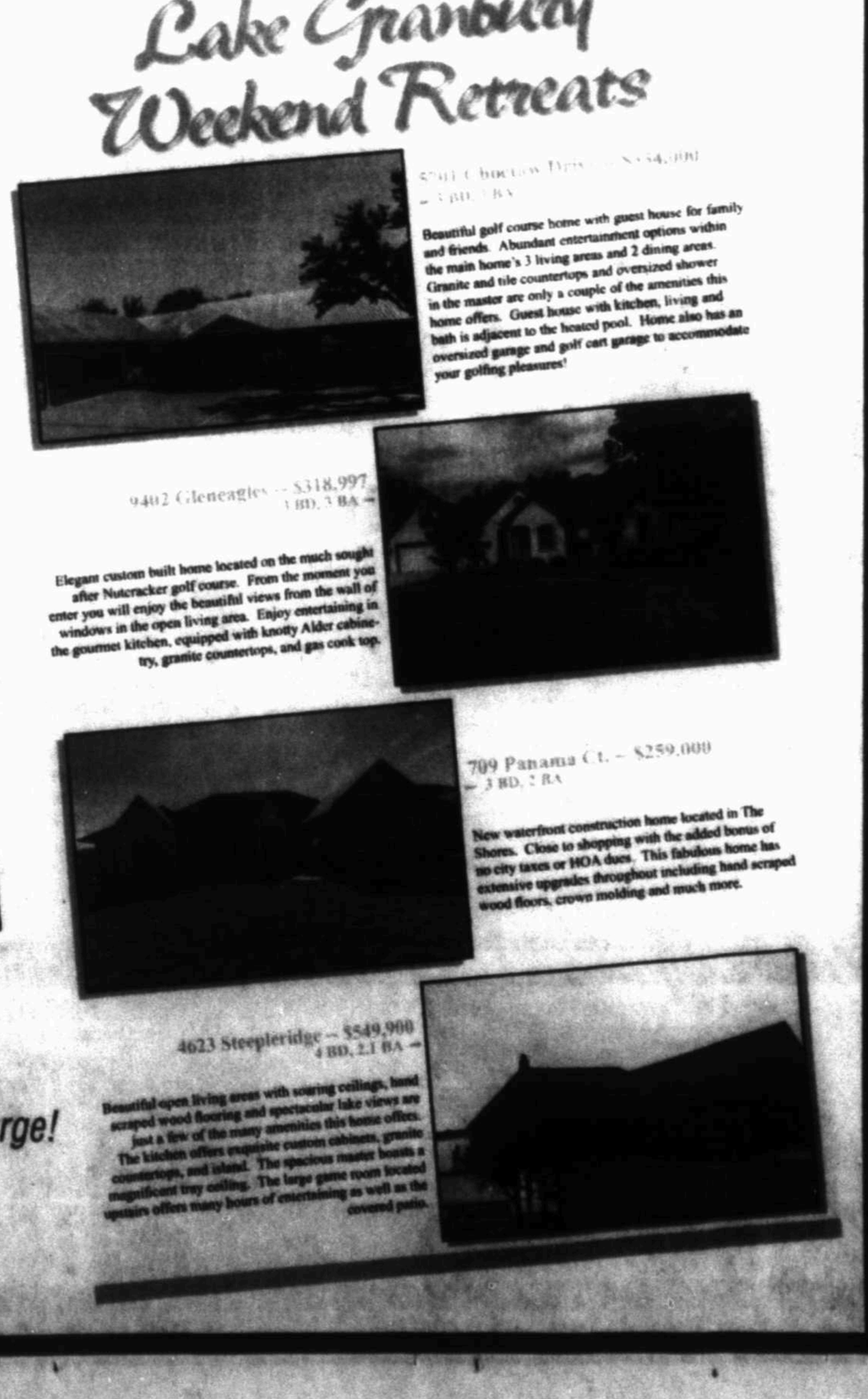
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900 Neely - Bedroom 2.5 Bath Detached Two-Home Giant Master Suite Over Looking POOL! Generous Living Area. Terrific Courtyard! Recent Paint & Carpet. ALL Appliances Pass! — New Listing! $249,900
29 Latavella - 3 Bedroom 2.5 Bath + Bar/Man Square! Custom 2 Story Townhome with ALL the Bells & Whistles! — Sale Pending! $249,155
4523 N Robin Ottawa - 3 Bedroom 2 Bath 2 Living & 2 Dining! Need Space & Room to Roam? 2.5 ACRES w/Barn! House is approximately 2,665 sqft! — New Price! $232,000
2908 North C Street - 3 Bedroom 2 Bathroom! Everywhere you look something has been remodeled, redone & updated to Look Fantastic! — Back On The Market! $205,000
2908 Wydewood - 3 Bedroom 2 Bath. Super Cute Home in Wydewood 5 Estates! Bush, Abell, Lee District! Close to Shopping! — SOLD! $189,900
4218 Amistad - 3 Bedroom 2 Bath! Picture Perfect Home in Northgate! Updated! Above ground pool, fish pond, pergola w/lights! Great for entertaining!!! — SOLD! $184,900
4508 Amigo - 3 Bedroom 1.5 Bath 2 Living. Large Shop/Garage! Many Updates! Ready For You To Move In! — OPEN TODAY! New Price! $149,900
4520 Loddy - 3 Bedroom 2 Bath 2 Living Areas! Totally UPDATED Home! Brand NEW 2nd Bath, new carpet, fixtures & new kitchen & So Much More! To Too Much to List! — Sale Pending! $149,900
3408 Tanner - 3 Bedroom 1 Bath Darling, Darling Home! Totally Remodeled! — New Listing! $139,777
607 Sprinkerry - 2 Bedroom 1 Bath! New Cabinets! Fresh Paint! Gorgeous Moldings & Trim! Custom Details! So Much More! Expect to be IMPRESSED!!! — New Listing! $119,900
1605 Butternut - 2 Bedroom 1 Bath. 2 Living Areas. IMMACULATE Home! What a Find! Hardwood Floors. Tile Roof 2 years old. Expect to be impressed! — New Price! $115,000
3215 Roosevelt - 1 Bedroom 1 Bath! ADORABLE Cute Cottage! Central Heat/Air. Dont Miss Out! — Offers Please! $108,900
3618 Pershing, Odessa - 3 Bedroom 1 Bath Darling Clean 2nd House!!! Updated paint & Carpet. ALL Appliances Pass w/Sale! — Offers Please! $89,900
2604 Bronson - 2 Bedroom 1 Bath. Cute Cute Starter Home! Fresh Interior Paint. Stainless Electric Range! Large Back Yard! Great Price Point!!! — New Listing! $79,900
1308 S Goode - 2 Bedroom 1 Bath HEY YOU Handyman! Need a house to fix? 1 owner home ORIG owner from 1930! 0.388 of an acre. Storm cellar — New Listing! $49,900

COMMERCIAL/LOTS/ACREAGE

903 W Industrial - 4 Total Buildings on 1.5 Acres! Office Building, Separate Metal Warehouse, 2 Shops! Call Norma For More Details! — New Listing! $795,000
520 N CR W, Odessa - Phenomenal Investment Opportunity Here! ENTIRE block of land. Church & Warehouses Included! — New Price! $600,000
3501 Billy Hext Rd - Odessa - Fabulous Pad Site in Fastrip/ Office Park! Anchor Location! Call Chris for more details! — New Price! $425,000
1111 W Wall - Fantastic Opportunity to Own Your Own Business! Loads of Space! High Traffic Location! Zoned CI! Call Chris for Details — New Price! $325,000
6112 Dunbarton Oaks - Build Your Dream Home in New Mockingbird Oaks Subdivision! 1.01 Acres! — Sale Pending! $155,000
Schatzauer Dr - Investor Opportunity! 4 Lots Sold in package. 1201, 1207 Schatzauer Dr. Owner will not subdivide. Ready to Build! May require flood insurance — Lots! $80,000
N. Knotty Pine, Gardendale - Wonderful Opportunity to Build Your Home! Corner Lot! Country Setting on 2.41 ACRES! Call Norma. — Sale Pending! $36,500
Loop 464, Monahans - No Known Restrictions. Corner lot on 9.41 Acres. Call Cario for details — Lot! $10,000
E County Rd. 80 - Lots Available! Horses Allowed. No Mineral Rights. Mobil & Modular Homes Allowed! — Call Roni! 349-0140

FOR LEASE

4700 Boulder - 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Upstairs Apartment. Has Washer/Dryer Connections. No Pets. 1 Yr Lease. Call Blanca for More Details! — For Lease! $1,200

LOOKING IN AUSTIN AREA?

5611 Woodview Ave - In the heart of Shoal Creek! Super Charming Cottage on an oversized lot. Wood Floors — New Price! $549,900
2122 Tennessee Trail - Cedar Park! 1Yr old home by KB Homes! 4 Bed/3 Bath/2 Living in Fantastic Silverado close to 1431 shopping! — New Price! $244,900
138 Dove Lane - 3 Bedroom 2 Bath in gated Meadowlakes with access to lake LBJ! — Sale Pending! $199,000
404 Emerald Way - Fabulous Cul-de-sac Lot in Horseshoe Bay West! Ready to Build On! Call 512 796-4340 — New Price! $29,900

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NEW CONSTRUCTION

Houston Chalmers HOMES
U/C
2506 Regency Oaks Court
3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $535,000

ASHINGDON HOMES
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2501 Legacy Oaks Court
4 bedrooms, 3 baths. 3 car garage, priced @ $545,000

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5007 Crista Lane
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $437,000

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OPEN HOUSES TODAY

1:30-2:30
5004 Widener Strip
5 bedrooms, 4 baths, 4 car garage, priced @ $514,900

3:30-4:30
2510 Regency Oaks Court
3 bedrooms, 3 baths, study, 3 car garage, priced @ $599,800

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NEW CONSTRUCTION

Crystal Homes
Custom Homes & Fine Cabinetry
6401 Los Conchos Lane
4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 3 living areas, study, 4 car garage, priced @ $998,500

Saenz Signature Homes
2510 Regency Oaks Court
3 bedrooms, 3 baths, study, 3 car garage, priced @ $599,800

Carrasco Homes
6600 Saddle Horn Lane
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $796,500

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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

OPEN SUNDAY 1:00-2:00
2004 FRINGEWOOD - Redwood $619,900
Fabulous 4 Bedroom/3 Bath/2 Living/3 Car Garage Home in Redwood! Gorgeous Hardwood Floors throughout! Formal living & formal dining & home office/study! Gourmet kitchen w/granite and updated stainless appliances! Oversized sequestered master w/office (could be used as workout room or nursery) pool sized back yard w/large patio & firepit!

OPEN SUNDAY 1:00-2:00
1311 PUEBLO ST. - $299,900
Exceptional Owners Home in Northgate! Updated throughout! Updated kitchen w/granite, stainless appliances, tile and hardwood floors! Master suite has updated bath, updated windows, new 2011 roof 2012, & brand new paint in the entire! Spacious backyard with a storage shed and a workshop! Extended covered patio makes perfect for entertaining!

GREEN TREE PROPERTIES

4008 Rustic Trail - Gorgeous golf course living, move-in ready! Grand entry leads to 2 living areas w/fireplaces! Private study, downstairs master suite, 3 beds up 2 w/private baths & walk-in closets. Family room w/balcony + bonus rooms. Updated kitchen w/granite, island & breakfast bar! Pool sized yard w/3 patio areas perfect for entertaining! 4 Oversized garages + water well for grass! — SOLD! $649,900
7004 Lynnwood Ct. - Located in coveted Green Tree North. Lovely 5 bed/3.5 Ba/3 car gar. Formal dining w/hardwood floors. Formal living w/wall of windows that overlook lush grounds! Spacious kitchen w/quartz countertops, island, 2 ovens & walk-in pantry. Open den w/brick fireplace, crown molding & built-ins. Sep. Master suite offers jetted tub, shower, 2 vanities & huge closet. Recent hvac, water softener, water heater, & disposal. Covered patio & trees! — SOLD! $419,000

4+ BEDROOMS

6107 Dunbarton Oaks - Spectacular custom 5 bed/5 bath/4 car garage! Main house has 4 bed/3 bath, across portico there is 1 bed/1 bath/1 garage! Beautiful iron front doors, hardwood floors in foster dining, gourmet kitchen boasts stainless appliances, granite, 6 burner gas cook top & ice maker. Sep. Master suite w/jetted tub, sep shower (dual heads). Wall of windows overlook back porch w/fireplace & outdoor kitchen. Mockingbird Oaks! — SOLD! $575,000
2004 Fringewood - NEW - Fabulous Robert Graham resale in grassland west! 4 Bedroom each w/private bath + a 1/2 bath for guests! spacious den w/fireplace! Formal living & formal dining! Gourmet kitchen w/granite and updated stainless appliances! Oversized sequestered master w/office (could be used as workout room or nursery) pool sized back yard w/large patio & firepit! — Redwood! $619,900
7615 Grandview Ave, Odessa TX - gorgeous 5 bedroom/4 bath/3 garage ! Pride of ownership shown. Grand entry w/barrel ceiling & custom tile. Stunning kitchen w/granite, custom cabinets w/display shelves, gas cook top & stainless appliances, large living w/crown molding, fire place & built-ins. Miles of tile! Sep. Master suite w/jetted tub, shower w/dual heads, 2 vanities & 3 closets! Covered patio, auto sprinkler! — SOLD! $429,900
4100 Burbank Dr. - NEW - Lovely 4 bed/office/3.5 Ba/2 b/2 car garage in mockingbird! Updated kitchen w/granite & backsplash, opens to the den. Pretty 18x18 tile throughout! Formal living & dining, hardwood floors, plantation shutters, lots of storage! Gorgeous grounds w/outdoor kitchen, flagstone patio,fireplace, pond, speakers & lights in trees! Extra concrete in the back! — SOLD! $399,900
5306 Strathmore - NEW - Gorgeous Ivey hunt resale. 4Bed/3Bath/3Car garage. Beautiful kitchen with granite countertops, lot's of storage, great pantry, stainless appliances, and island. Kitchen looks over breakfast bar that flows into fantastic den with hardwood floor and brick fireplace. Playset in backyard stays. Chandelier in pine ceiling bedroom can stay or be switched out with fan/light that matches other fixtures. All recent carpet in bedrooms! — SOLD! $399,900
1613 Dallas Dr. - NEW - Gorgeous updated home in pole park! 4 bed/3 bath/3 garage! Granite countertops through-out! Hardwood floors! Perfect floor plan! Spacious master! Sequestered master! Must see! — $360,000
2302 Culpepper - Beautiful 4 bed/3 bath/3 living areas! Scraped hardwoods in entry, living, breakfast & dining. Large gameroom overlooks backyard. Lovely den w/fireplace & built-ins. Gourmet kitchen w/granite tile, recent backsplash & fixtures. Sep. Master with his/her closets & vanities. Study/office off large laundry room. Nature lens in front & spacious backyard! — SOLD! $299,900
5703 Sandbags - NEW - Wonderful 4bed, 2 1/2bath, 3car garage, & 2 living areas in green hill terrace! Tons of space for the price!! Recent roof & updates both recently remodeled. Gorgeous stone corner fireplace in living opens up to kitchen & dining. Nice sunroom & spacious backyard! Tons of storage! Upstairs bedroom can be a perfect gameroom! Terrific location!! — SOLD! $225,000

2 & 3 BEDROOMS

3001 Lehigh-Lovely, low maintenance 3/2/2 gar. W/30 x 30 insulated shop w/electric opener, tool bench & loft storage. Spacious living room w/beamed ceilings & gas fireplace. Open den overlooks backyard w/pond & water feature. Don't miss recent updates to kitchen including pull out drawers in cabinets. Home features sep. Over-sized master suite w/dual sinks & closets. Ceiling fans thru-out. Surveillance system. — Redwood! $299,900
3533 Boyd - Upscale townhome in Lone Oak. All 3 bedrooms have private baths and even a half bath for guests! Amazing soaring ceiling in den with massive fireplace with gas logs for a warm and cozy atmosphere. 2 bedrooms downstairs with private baths and 1 bedroom upstairs with private bath and beautiful loft overlooking den. Tankless water heater with instant and endless water. Impeccably maintained! — SOLD! $274,900
10903 E. County Rd. 100 - Beautiful four bedroom/2 bath home on .46 Acre lot! Big kitchen w/granite, island stainless appliances, ro & pantry. Spacious living w/fireplace opens to kitchen. Sequestered master w/tray ceilings separate tub & shower & large closet. Big yard w/covered patio & auto sprinkler. — SOLD! $249,900
1311 Pueblo St.- NEW- Exceptionally maintained home in 349 ranch estates on a nice .47 Acre lot! Great open floor plan! Pretty granite counters & backsplash in the kitchen! Updated bathrooms, recent paint, tile and carpet throughout, updated windows, hvac 2011, roof 2010, & blown insulation in the attic! Spacious backyard with a storage shed and a workshop! Extended covered patio makes perfect for entertaining! — SOLD! $299,900
3007 Lakeside Odessa TX - Cute 3 bedroom/2 bath home with 2 car garage! Formal living opens to den with gorgeous hardwood floors and stone fireplace. Kitchen complete with abundant cabinets and large pantry. Sequestered master suite has vast walk-in closet and private bathroom. Additional bedrooms both have walk-in closets. Inside utility room, covered patio, huge workshop, fenced yard, dog run & tons of storage thru-out! — Redwood! $269,900
4010 Golf Ave - NEW - Move in ready 3bed/2bath/2gar in a lovely neighborhood! Recent neutral paint, pretty laminate wood floors throughout! Spacious kitchen with granite countertops & backsplash, ro system and stainless appliances! Security system owned & will stay! Tons of updates here! Hvac in 2009! Roof in 2009! Windows in 2012! Don't miss it! — SOLD! $165,000
4007 Bowie - move-in ready 3 bed/2 bath/ 2 car garage in an established neighborhood! Fresh and clean! Sequestered master bedroom with a walk-in closet and jetted tub! Spacious living area with recent tile, brick fireplace and tall ceilings. Nice sized backyard includes a big covered patio and a storage shed! — SOLD! $139,900
307 W. 5th Stanton TX - NEW - Nice renovated 3 bedroom/2 bath/1 living stucco cottage on 3 lots across from city park!! Lots of recent updates, walls & ceiling raised, kitchen cabinets, counter tops & appliances, hvac, roof, windows, water heater, bathrooms & fixtures & flooring. 10' x 10' shop. 3 lots = water well! — $139,500

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LAND

6500 W County Road 41 - NEW - Wonderful 3.53 Acres lot in one of Midland's prettiest Subdivisions w/acreage! Perfect location to build your dream home & watch West Texas sunsets! Water well installed well produces approx. 22-28 GPM — $140,000

RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS/HOME SITES/ACREAGE

RESIDENTIAL

3410 Baumann Ave	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage	U/C
3800 Douglas Ave	4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
2005 Sands St	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$205,000
4700 Wilshire Dr	4 Bdrm/2 Ba	U/C
5305 San Antonio	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
3501 Camarie Ave	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car garage	U/C
1307 E. Jax St	6 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/2 Living Areas	U/C
5213 Quicksand Dr	3 Bdrm, 2.5 Ba, 2 Car garage	SOLD
5004 Widener Strip	5 Bdrm/4 Ba/4 Car Garage	$514,900
500 Affirmed Lane	Rams Homes/4 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/2 Living/3 Car Garage	$750,000

NEW CONSTRUCTION

306 S. Tilden	Madagal Construction/3 Bdrm/2 Ba	SOLD
923 N. Edwards	Gomez Construction/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
2501 Legacy Oaks	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
5001 Rio Grande	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	$345,000
2611 S. Co. Rd. 1087	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	SOLD
6607 E. Co. Rd. 110	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/Greenwood	$499,000
6701 E. Co. Rd. 110	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/Greenwood	$495,000
3209 Fairfield Lane	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
2506 Regency Oaks	Houston Chalmers Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
2507 Regency Oaks	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
2510 Regency Oaks	Saenz Signature Homes/3 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$599,800
6605 E. Co. Rd. 107	Midland Gallery Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$599,950
6600 Saddle Horn	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$796,500
6401 Los Conchos Lane	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/4 Car Garage	$998,500
5210 Alyshebo	Rams Homes/4 Bdrm/5.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$1,003,000
5106 Alyshebo	Diamond Homes/5 Bdrm/4 Ba/4 Car Garage	U/C

SUBURBAN/ACREAGE

Luna Rosa Estates	Gardendale/New Homes	Call Gary
2201 W. Co. Rd. 137	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
4003 E. Peggy Dr	Gardendale/ 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Living areas	$249,000
5908 E. Co. Rd. 57	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Carport	$260,000
6720 E. Co. Rd. 84	Greenwood/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Approx. 29 Acres	$299,000
FM 1210	Approx 30 Acres	$600,000

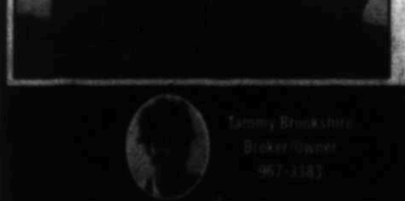
SUBURBAN HOME SITES

E. Co. Rd. 57	Greenwood/Approx. 2.54 Acres	$40,200
FM 1212	Terzan/Approx. 66.6 Acres	SOLD
Hwy. 137	Lenorah/3 shops/1.8 acres	$115,000
9015 S. County Rd. 1210	10 Acres/Price Reduced!	U/C
Luna Rosa Estates	W. Co. Rd. 30/1.5-2 Acre Lots	Call Gary
Co. Rd. 1105	Greenwood/3.67 Acres	U/C

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

3000 Elkins Rd	3.25 Acres/Office/Warehouse	$1,700,000

FEATURED PROPERTIES

6701 E. County Road 110

4 bedrooms, 3 baths, Greenwood, priced @ $495,000

500 Affirmed Lane

4 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, 2 living, 3 car garage, priced @ $750,000

6605 E. County Road 107

4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $599,950

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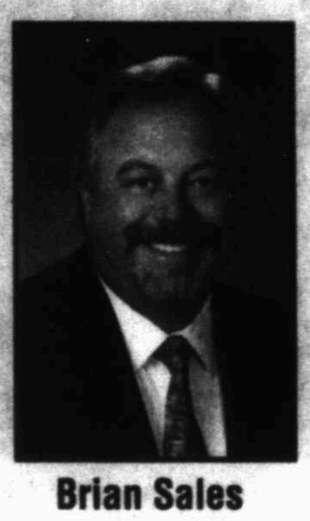
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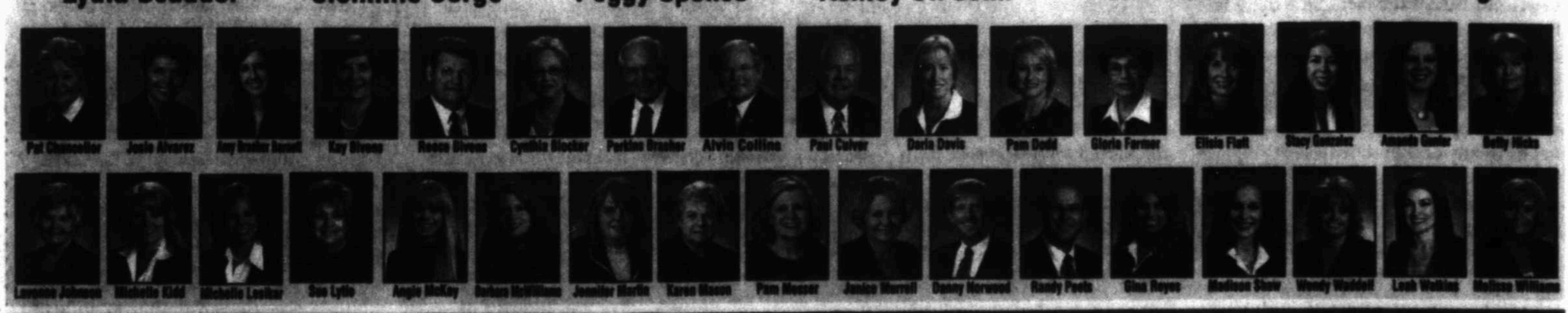
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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

OPEN 12:00-1:00
#8 OLD LAMPASOS TRAIL, ODESSA, TX. - $205,000
Beautiful 2 bed/2 bath patio home!
Shown by Kim Merrill

OPEN 1:30-2:30
2608 N. MIDKIFF - $149,500
Cute home w/huge backyard.
Shown by Madison Shaw

OPEN 2:00-3:00
3216 STUTZ - $224,900
Great home - great location!
Shown by Madison Shaw

OPEN 1:30-2:30
5801 ECR 110 - $298,000
Fabulous family home with 5 bedrooms in Greenwood School District!
DeLaura Gammage

OPEN 1:30-2:30
5509 STERLING CT. - $310,000
Great space! Grassland! Close to Schools!
Shown by Amanda Gunter

OPEN 1:30-2:30
6000 BRIARWOOD AVE., ODESSA, TX. - $235,000
Great Living space here!
DeLaura Gammage

OPEN 3:30-4:30
8200 GLASGOW DR. - $849,900
Tons of updates in this spacious home!
Shown by Amanda Gunter

OPEN 3:30-4:30
4115 FM 307 - $195,000
Country Charm!
DeLaura Gammage

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OPEN TODAY 1:00-2:00 — 4000 Amigo - $149,900 — 3BR, 1.5BA, SO Many Updates! Large Shop! Shown by Jim 349-0149

OPEN TODAY 1:00-2:00 — 3000 Rio Grande - $359,700 — 3BR, 2BA, Brand New Roof! Large Residential Lot! Master Suite! Shown by Glenn 238-6177

OPEN TODAY 2:30-3:30 — 5400 Rosewood - $309,900 — Beautiful Fully Updated Home! Ready For The Si Bona Al Fresco! Shown by Glenn 238-6177

COUNTRY LIVING — 3101 N. Co. Rd. 1150 - $695,000 — Gated Entry! Guest Quarters! Your Own Private Island on 5 ACRES!

NEW PRICE — 1012 Alpine - $269,000 — Fabulous 4BR Home! Newly Updated! Pool & Guest House!!!

FEATURED HOME — 1209 W Michigan - $279,000 — 3BR, 2BA Charming Like NEW! Great Kitchen & Great Front Room!

FEATURED HOME — 3000 North G Street - $205,000 — 3BR, 2BA Charming Like NEW! Old Home! New Everything!!!

NEW PRICE — 3215 Rosewood - $199,000 — Super Clean & Darling Home! Totally Updated & Redone!

4+ BEDROOMS

6406 Hockingbird - Gorgeous French Country Design with this Brand New Floor Plan by Summit Homes! High End Finishes, Upgraded Appliance Package, Granite, Plantation Shutters, 3 Car Oversized Garage! Still Time To Make Selections. Estimated Completion Nov. 30th ..... New Construction! $665,000

2116 Blackwood - 5 Bedroom. 3 Bath. 3 Living. 4 Car Garage. Stunning 1 Owner McPherson Resale!!! Gorgeous Hardwood Flooring, Granite Everywhere! ..... Sale Pending! $775,000

2009 Rosewood - 5 Bedroom. 3 Bath. 3 Living. 4 Car Garage. Another Outstanding McPherson Home! One of the last interior lots in Grandview West! This One is LOADED! ..... Sale Pending! $625,000

4103 E CR 61-A Bedroom. 3 Bath. 3 Living on 2.3 ACRES!!! This Gorgeous Custom 1 Owner Home has all the Bells & Whistles, it's LOADED! ..... County Living! $499,000

6405 Rosewood - 4 Bedroom. 3 Bath. 2 Living. Sensational NEW Plan by Almond Construction! All The Bells & Whistles! Granite, Stainless, Faux Paint & Stone Aspens! ..... OPEN TODAY! Your Construction! $499,000

6521 Rosewood - 4 Bedroom. 3 Bath. Brand NEW Almond Home! Custom Detailing Throughout, LOADED w/moldings, rope trimmed cabinets, stainless, granite! ..... New Construction! $499,000

This one is Fully LOADED! Estimated Completion April 1, 2014!

5018 Casa Grande - 4 Bedroom. 3 Bath. 3 Car Garage. Fabulous Low Maintenance NEW Almond Construction! High End Finishes! Still Time To Make Selections. Estimated Completion July31st ..... New Construction! $499,000

7605 Keyhaven - 4 Bedroom. 3 Bath. 3 Car Garage! Brand NEW Construction. Rosas New Homes! Granite, Shutters, All The Bells' & Whistles! Landscape Package! Estimated Completion May 2014! ..... New Construction! $395,000

2403 SW Ave D, Seminole - 4 Bedroom. 3 Bath. 2 Living. 3 Car Garage. Luxurious 2 Story County Home in Seminole built in 2004! Traditional colonial drive up w/circle drive. Lots of space & storage! Fantastic Floor Plan. Oversized Yard! ..... New Price! $384,900

1012 Alpine - 4 Bedroom. 3 Bath. Open Concept! Nicely Updated! Guest House and Swimming Pool. 4-Car Garage. Shop on a HUGE Lot! The possibilities are Endless!!! ..... New Price! $269,000

5204 Trailwood Trace - 4 Bedroom. 3-Full Baths. 2 Half Baths. 3 Living! Million SS Golf Course View Here! Perfect Opportunity to Re-do Your Dream Home! ..... Sale Pending! $599,000

2601 Dooge - 5 Bedroom. 3 Bath. Rare 2 Story In Forest Terrace w/Stainless Appliances! Hardwood Floors! Bonus Guest House in Back! ..... Sale Pending! $315,000

3010 Sunnyside - 3 or 4 Bedroom. 3 Bath. 2 Living Areas! Great Open Plan! Sequestered Master Bedroom, Plenty of Storage! ..... New Price! $215,000

4420 Jameson Rd., San Angelo - 4 Bedroom. 4.5 Bath. Vintage Midcentury Modern Ranch Style Home! Approx 4,400 sq. ft. Granite in Kitchen, Pool! ..... Sale Pending! $294,000

6001 S Co Rd. 1150 - 4 Bedroom. 2 Bath on 1 Acre in a Quiet Cul-de-sac! Open Plan. Sequestered Master. HOA Neighborhood. Pets Approved! ..... Sale Pending! $199,000

2 & 3 BEDROOMS

5104 N Co Rd. 1150 - 3 Bedroom. 3 Bath on 5 Acres! Tucked away on your own private retreat! Winding porch, granite, wood floors, heated tile floors in bathrooms! Sumptuous Master Bedroom w/2 complete master baths! Park like setting w/mature pecan trees! ..... New Price! $595,000

2700 Merle - 3 Bedroom. 2.5 Bath. 2 Car Garage. Custom Home on 1.25 Acres in Kniffen Estates ..... Coming Soon! $495,000

5508 Rio Grande - 3 Bedroom. 2 Bath in Holiday Hill! Bright & Open Floor Plan! Lots of Space! Sequestered Master Suite!!! ..... OPEN TODAY!!... New Price! $242,700

5809 Los Alamitos 3 or 4 Bedroom. 2.5 Bath. 2 Living Areas...Location! Location! Saddle Club South! Beautiful Curb Appeal. New Outside AC Unit. Huge Master...Lots of Storage! ..... New Listing! $282,000

1200 W Michigan - 3 Bedroom. 2 Bath. Great Gourmet Kitchen w/Stainless Appliances! Hardwood Floors! Bonus Guest House in Back! ..... New Listing! $275,000

900 Neely 2 Bedroom. 2.5 Bath Detached Townhome! Giant Master Suite Over Looking POOL! Generous Living Area. Terrific Courtyard! Recent Paint & Carpet, ALL Appliances Pass! ..... New Listing! $249,000

29 Lafayette 3 Bedroom. 2.5 Bath in Barkman Square! Custom 2 Story Townhome with ALL the Bells & Whistles! ..... Sale Pending! $240,155

4533 N Robin, Odessa - 3 Bedroom. 3 Bath. 3 Living. & 2 Dining! Need Space & Room to Roam? 2.5 ACRES w/Barn. House is approximately 2,655 sqft! ..... New Price! $222,000

2004 North C Street - 3 Bedroom. 2 Bathroom. Everywhere you look something has been replaced, redone, & updated to Look Fantastic! ..... Back On The Market! $205,000

2008 Wedgewood - 3 Bedroom. 2 Bath. Super Cute Home in Wedgewood Estates! Bush Arch. Lee District. Close to Shopping! ..... SOLD! $185,000

4210 Aniston - 3 Bedroom. 2 Bath. Picture Perfect Home in Northgate! Updated! Above ground pool, fish pond, pergola w/lights! Great for entertaining!!! ..... SOLD! $184,900

2108 Amigo - 3 Bedroom. 1.5 Bath. 2 Living. Large Shop/Garage! Many Updates! Ready For You To Move In!!! ..... OPEN TODAY! New Price! $149,900

4520 Leddy 3 Bedroom. 2 Bath. 2 Living Areas!!! Totally UPDATED Home! Brand NEW 2nd bath, new carpet, fixtures, All new kitchen, & So Much More! Too Much to List! ..... Sale Pending! $149,500

3406 Tanner - 3 Bedroom. 1 Bath Darling..Darling Home!!!! Totally Remodeled! ..... New Listing! $139,777

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1605 Butternut - 2 Bedroom. 1 Bath. 2 Living Areas. IMMACULATE Home! What a Find! Hardwood Floors. Tile. Roof 2 years old. Expect to be impressed! ..... New Price! $119,000

3215 Rosewell - 3 Bedroom. 1 Bath. ADORABLE Cute Cottage! Central Heat/Air. Doll House Deluxe! ..... Offers Pressed! $108,000

3618 Pershing, Odessa - 3 Bedroom. 1 Bath. Darling Clean Doll House!!! Updated paint & carpet. ALL Appliances Pass w/Flair! ..... Offers Pressed! $89,900

2604 Bryson - 2 Bedroom. 1 Bath. Cute Cute Starter Home! Fresh Interior Paint. Stainless Electric Range! Large Back Yard! Great Price Point!!! ..... New Listing! $79,900

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903 W Industrial - 4 Total Buildings on 1.5 Acres! Office Building, Separate Metal Warehouse. 2 Shops! Call Norma For More Details! ..... New Listing! $795,000

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N. Keeby Pine, Gardendale - Wonderful Opportunity in Dream Home Area! Quiet Country Setting on 2.41 ACRES! Call Norma ..... Sale Pending! $49,900

Loop 464, Monahans - No Known Restrictions! Corner lot on 0.41 Acres. Call Carol for details! ..... Last! $19,000

E County Rd. 60 - Lots Available! Horses Allowed. No Mineral Rights. Mobil & Modular Homes Allowed! ..... Call Now! 349-9140

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2112 Tennessee Trail - Cedar Park 2 Yr old home for 49 Homes! 4 Bdrm 3 Living in Fantastic Silverado close to 1431 shopping! ..... New Price! $344,900

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4808 Noelle Trail - Gorgeous golf course living, move-in ready! Grand entry leads to 2 living areas w/amazing views & miles of treelined life! Private study, downstairs master suite, 2 beds up 2 w/private baths & walk-in closets. Family room w/balcony + bonus rooms. Updated kitchen w/granite, island & breakfast bar! Pool sized yard w/5 patio areas perfect for entertaining! 4 Oversized garages + water well for grounds! ..... SOLD! ... $949,900

7004 Country Ct. - Located in coveted Green Tree North. Lovely 5 bed/3.5 Bath/3 car gar. Formal dining w/hardwood floors. Formal living w/wall of windows overlooking beautiful grounds! Spacious kitchen w/pantry, countertops, island, 2 ovens & walk-in pantry. Open den w/brick fireplace, crown molding & built-ins. Sep. Master suite offers jetted tub, shower, 2 vanities & large closet. Recent tree, water softener, water heater & disposal. Covered patio & trees! ..... SOLD! ... $411,000

4+ BEDROOMS

6107 Shadowbend Circle - Spectacular custom 5 bed/3 bath/3 car garage! Main house has 4 bed/3 bath, across portico there is 1 bed/1 bath/1 garage! Inside, you find classic, hardwood floors & interior styling, gourmet kitchen boasts SS appliances, granite, 2 burner gas cook top & ice maker. Sep. Master suite features tile floors, dual heads! Wall of windows overlook lush porch w/fireplace & outdoor kitchen. Mockingbird Oaks! ..... SOLD! ... $575,000

2004 Fringewood - NEW - Fabulous Robert Graham resale in grassland west! 4 Bedroom each w/private bath + a 1/2 bath for guests! spacious den w/fireplace! Formal living & formal dining! Gourmet kitchen w/granite and updated stainless appliances! Oversized sequestered master w/office (could be used as workout room or nursery) pool sized back yard w/large patio & firepit! ..... Redwood! $812,900

7615 Brownstone Ave, Odessa TX - gorgeous 5 bedroom/4 bath/3 garage ! Pride of ownership shows. Great entry with curved ceiling & custom tile. Gourmet kitchen w/granite, custom cabinetry, stainless appliances, gas cook top & 2 ovens, large breakfast bar. Formal dining, living w/fireplace & built-ins. Suites of life! Sep. Master suite w/fancy gallery, jetted tub, shower w/two heads, 2 vanities & 3 closets! Covered patio, auto sprinkler! ..... SOLD! ... $429,000

4109 Redwood Dr. - NEW - Lovely 4 bed/3 bath/2 1/2 car garage in mockingbird! Updated kitchen w/granite & backsplash, opens to the den. Pretty 18x18 tile throughout! Formal living & dining, hardwood floors, plantation shutters, lots of storage! Gorgeous grounds w/outdoor kitchen, flagstone patio/fireplace, pond, speakers & lots of Entry concrete in the back! ..... SOLD! ... $399,000

5308 Creekview - NEW - Gorgeous ivy front resale. 4bed/3bath/2car garage. Beautiful kitchen with granite countertops, lot's of storage, great pantry, stainless steel appliances & island. Kitchen looks over breakfast bar that flows into fantastic den with hardwood floor and brick fireplace. Playset in backyard stays. Chandelier in great calling bathroom can stay or be switched out with fan/light that matches other fixtures. All recent carpet in bedrooms! ..... SOLD! ... $399,000

1613 Dallas Dr. - NEW - Gorgeous updated home in patio pool! 4 bed/3 bath/3 garage! Granite counters through-out! Hardwood floors! Perfect floor plan! Spacious bedrooms! Sequestered master! Must see! $395,000

2302 Culpepper - Beautiful 4 bed/3 bath/3 living areas! Scraped hardwoods in entry, living, breakfast & dining. Large gourmet kitchen overlooks backyard. Lovely den w/fireplace & built-ins. Spacious kitchen w/granite tile, recent backsplash & fixtures. Sep. Master with his/her closets & vanities. Study/office off large laundry room. Nature lane in front & spacious backyard $374,900

5703 Saratoga - NEW - Wonderful 4bed, 2 1/2bath, 3car garage, & 2 living areas in green hill terrace! Tons of space for the price! Recent roof & upstairs bath recently remodeled. Gorgeous stone corner fireplace in living opens up to kitchen & dining. Nice sunroom & spacious backyard! Tons of storage! Upstairs bedroom can be a great guest/game. Terrific location! $329,000

2 & 3 BEDROOMS

3091 Lehigh-Lovely, low maintenance 3/2/2 gar. W/30 x 30 insulated shop w/electric opener, tool bench & loft storage. Spacious living room w/beamed ceilings & gas fireplace. Open den overlooks backyard w/pond & water feature. Don't miss recent updates to kitchen including pull out drawers in cabinets. Home features tex. Over-sized master suite w/dual sinks & closets. Ceiling fans thru-out. Surveillance system. ..... Redwood! $299,900

3533 Boyd - Upscale townhome in Lone Oak. All 3 bedrooms have private baths and even a half bath for guests! Amazing soaring ceiling in den with massive fireplace with gas logs for a warm and cozy atmosphere. 2 bedrooms downstairs with private baths and 1 bedroom upstairs with private bath and beautiful loft overlooking den. Tankless water heater and instant window water! Impeccably maintained! ..... SOLD! ... $274,900

10903 E. County Rd. 109 - Beautiful four bedroom/2 bath home on .46 Acre lot! Big kitchen w/granite, island stainless appliances, ro & pantry. Spacious living w/fireplace opens to kitchen. Sequestered master w/tray ceilings separate tub & shower & large closet. Big yard w/covered patio & auto sprinkler. ..... SOLD! ... $249,900

1311 Pueblo St. - NEW - Exceptionally maintained home in 349 ranch estates on a nice .47 Acre lot! Great open floor plan! Pretty granite counters & backsplash in the kitchen! Updated bathrooms, recent paint, tile and carpet throughout, updated windows, hvac 2011, roof 2010, & blown insulation in the attic! Spacious backyard with a storage shed and a workshop! Extended covered patio makes perfect for entertaining! $289,900

2907 Lakeside Odessa TX - Cute 3 bedroom/2 bath home with 2 car garage! Formal living opens to den with gorgeous hardwood floors and stone fireplace. Kitchen complete with abundant cabinets and large pantry. Sequestered master suite has vast walk-in closet and private bathroom. Additional bedrooms both have walk-in closets. Inside utility room, covered patio, huge workshop, fenced yard, dog run & tons of storage thru-out! ..... Redwood! $269,900

4018 Galt Ave - NEW - Move in ready 3bed/2bath/2gar in a lovely neighborhood! Recent neutral paint, pretty laminate wood floors throughout! Spacious kitchen with granite countertops & backsplash. ro system and stainless appliances! Security system owned & will stay! Tons of updates here! Hvac in 2009! Roof in 2009! Windows in 2012! Don't miss it! $195,000

4007 Bowie - move-in ready 3 bed/2 bath/2 car garage in an established neighborhood! Fresh and clean! Sequestered master bedroom with a walk-in closet and jetted tub! Spacious living area with recent tile, brick fireplace and tall ceilings. Nice sized backyard includes a big covered patio and a storage shed $165,000

397 W. 5th Stanton TX - NEW - Nice renovated 3 bedroom/2 bath/1 living stucco cottage on 3 lots across from city park!! Lots of recent updates: walls & ceiling raised, kitchen cabinets, counter tops & appliances, hvac, roof, windows, water heater, bathrooms & fixtures & flooring. 10' x 10' shop. 3 lots + water well! $159,000

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6500 W County Road 41 - NEW - Wonderful 3.53 Acres lot in one of Midland's prettiest Subdivisions w/crossed! Perfect location to build your dream home & watch West Texas sunsets! Water well installed well produces approx. 22-25 GPM $140,000

NEW CONSTRUCTION

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U/C

2806 Regency Oaks Court
3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $535,000

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3:30-4:30

2510 Regency Oaks Court
3 bedrooms, 3 baths, study, 3 car garage, priced @ $599,800

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NEW CONSTRUCTION

Crystal Homes
Custom Homes & Fine Cabinetry

6401 Los Conchos Lane
4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 3 living areas, study, 4 car garage, priced @ $998,500

Saenz Signature Homes

2510 Regency Oaks Court
3 bedrooms, 3 baths, study, 3 car garage, priced @ $599,800

Carrasco Homes

6500 Saddle Horn Lane
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $798,500

RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS/HOME SITES/ACREAGE

RESIDENTIAL

3418 Bauman Ave	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage	U/C
3800 Douglas Ave	4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
2905 Sands St	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$205,000
4709 Wilshire Dr	4 Bdrm/2 Ba	U/C
5306 San Antonio	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
3901 Camarie Ave	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car garage	U/C
1307 E. Jax St	6 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/2 Living Areas	U/C
5213 Oakbrand Dr	3 Bdrm, 2.5 Ba, 2 Car garage	SOLD
5004 Widener Strip	5 Bdrm/4 Ba/4 Car Garage	$514,900
500 Affirmed Lane	Rama Homes/4 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/2 Living/3 Car Garage	$750,000

NEW CONSTRUCTION

300 S. Tilden	Madrigal Construction/3 Bdrm/2 Ba	SOLD
923 N. Edwards	Gomez Construction/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
2501 Legacy Oaks	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
5901 Rio Grande	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	$345,000
2011 S. Co. Rd. 1087	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	SOLD
6007 E. Co. Rd. 110	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/Greenwood	$499,000
6701 E. Co. Rd. 110	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/Greenwood	$495,000
3209 Fairfield Lane	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
2506 Regency Oaks	Houston Chalmers Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
2507 Regency Oaks	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
2510 Regency Oaks	Saenz Signature Homes/3 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$599,800
6605 E. Co. Rd. 107	Midland Gallery Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$599,950
6500 Saddle Horn	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$798,500
6401 Los Conchos Lane	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/4 Car Garage	$998,500
5210 Alysheba	Rama Homes/4 Bdrm/5.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$1,095,000
5106 Alysheba	Diamond Homes/5 Bdrm/4 Ba/4 Car Garage	U/C

SUBURBAN/ACREAGE

Loma Rosa Estates	Gardendale/New Homes	Call Gary
2201 W. Co. Rd. 137	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
4003 E. Poppy Dr	Gardendale/ 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Living areas	$249,000
5000 E. Co. Rd. 87	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Carport	$269,000
6720 E. Co. Rd. 94	Greenwood/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Approx. 20 Acres	$299,000
FM 1213	Approx 30 Acres	$600,000

SUBURBAN HOME SITES

E. Co. Rd. 87	Greenwood/Approx. 2.54 Acres	$43,500
FM 1212	Yarnell/Approx. 60.6 Acres	SOLD
Hwy. 137	Lenorah/3 shops/1.8 acres	$115,000
6815 S. County Rd. 1213	10 Acres/Price Reduced!	U/C
Loma Rosa Estates	W. Co. Rd. 30/1.5-2 Acre Lots	Call Gary
Co. Rd. 1105	Greenwood/3.87 Acres	U/C

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

3000 Elkins Rd.	3.55 Acres/Office/Warehouse	$1,700,000

FEATURED PROPERTIES

6701 E. County Road 110



4 bedrooms, 3 baths, Greenwood, priced @ $495,000

500 Affirmed Lane



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6605 E. County Road 107



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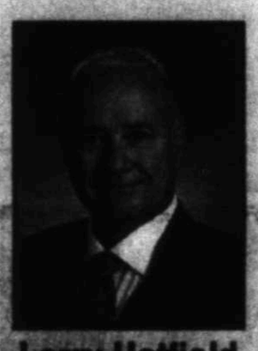
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Beautiful 2 bed/2 bath patio home!
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Cute home w/huge backyard.
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3216 STUTZ - $224,900
Great home - great location!
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Great space! Grassland! Close to Schools!
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Tons of updates in this spacious home!
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5 Top Moneywise Upgrades

Thinking about remodeling this spring? Focus on exterior upgrades that deliver higher returns

By Yena Lee | CTW Features

When it comes to the bottom line, all home remodeling jobs are not created equal.

Before investing in home improvement, take note of the five top cost-effective exterior projects that will return more money when it comes time to sell.

Remodeling magazine's 2014 "Cost vs. Value Report" compares the average cost of 35 home-improvement projects to the value they return upon resale of a home. Exterior improvement projects are likely to provide higher rates of return than interior remodels, according to the report.

Looking at the national averages for mid-range rather than more costly upgrades, exterior projects such as door, window or siding replacement account for seven of the top 10 high-ROI projects, returning more than 78 percent of the initial investment.

If a homeowner's main goal is to attract buyer interest, focusing on simple exterior improvements that cost less money and take less time makes good sense, says Sarah Parsons, a real estate salesperson with Halstead Property in Brooklyn, N.Y. "The curb appeal of a home creates the first impression for potential homebuyers," Parsons says. "I have seen that exterior renovations not only return money but they also make the house sell quicker."

The best choice a homeowner can make, in terms of first impressions and return on investment: a steel entry door. As it has since it was first tracked in the "Cost vs. Value" report in 2009, steel-door replacements rank first among the 35 projects and is the only project to return more than 90 percent of its cost (96.6 percent). A steel door also is a relatively inexpensive upgrade, an estimated $1,162.

Another high-return project: wood decks. At a job cost of $9,539, on average, a mid-range deck returns 87.4 percent of the investment.

"A deck is great option to increase living space at a reasonable cost per square foot," says Steve Murphy, of Add a Deck in Richmond, Va. The national average cost for wood deck construction is about $30 per square foot. Compared with other projects, such as the addition of an attic bedroom, a family room or a bathroom, which can range from $100 to $200 per square foot.

Garage doors are another high-return project, according to the report. A mid-range replacement, at $1,534, brings an 83.7 percent return.

Lightweight, low-maintenance and reasonably priced, new vinyl siding can be appealing because it results in a dramatic exterior change while delivering a solid return on investment. At an average national cost of $11,475, vinyl siding replacement returns 78.2 percent.

Replacement windows not only will upgrade a home's curb appeal and add value to a house, they also save on heating and cooling costs. The return on an $9,978 vinyl window replacement returns on average 78.7 percent. Using insulated, low-E windows, homeowners can enhance energy efficiency by 7 to 15 percent, according to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

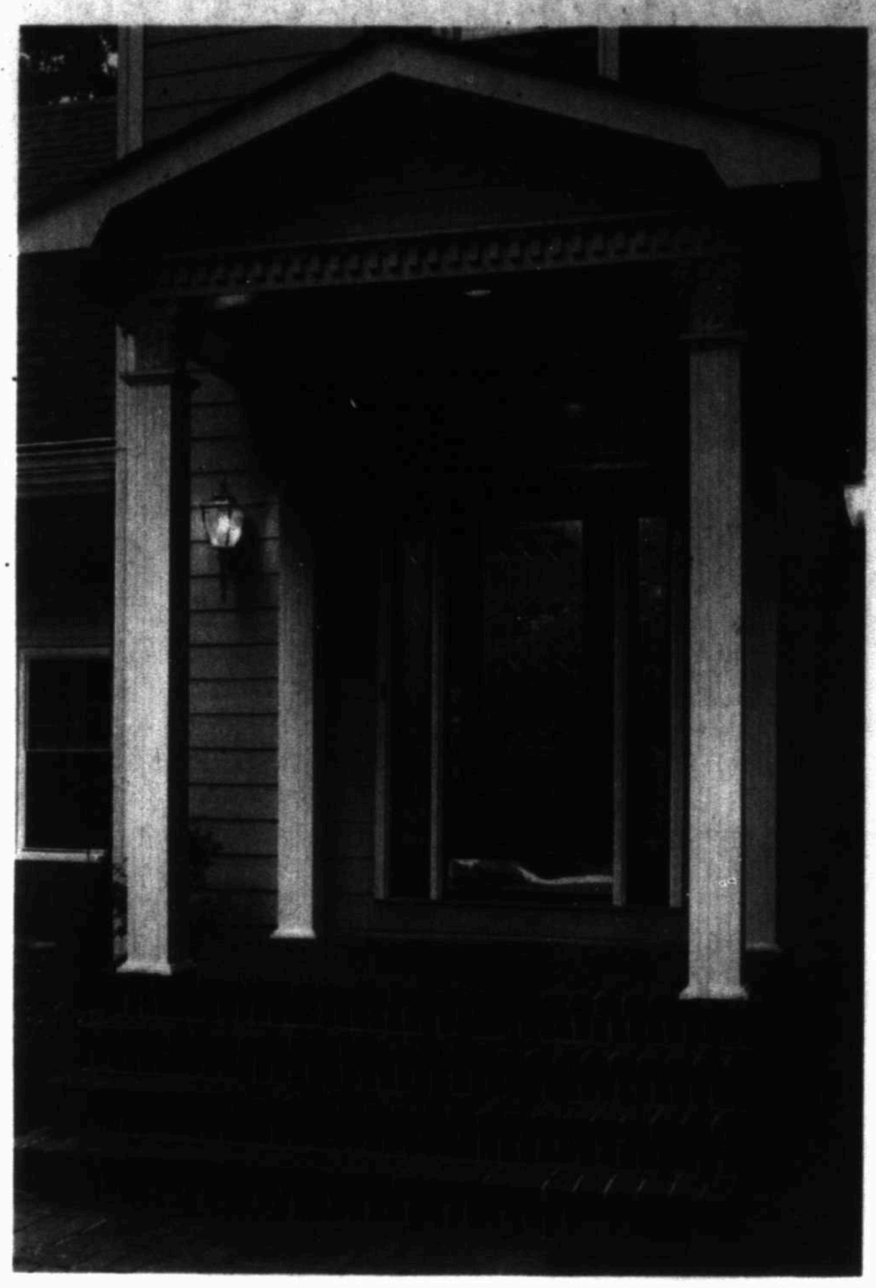
The cost/return relationship of these home improvements varies by region and city. An improvement that brings a big return in one area might not be worth as much in another.

For example, the addition of a wood deck in the Pacific region or New England can recoup even more than original investment: 109 percent. In mid-Atlantic, a deck project will return only 66 percent of the investment.

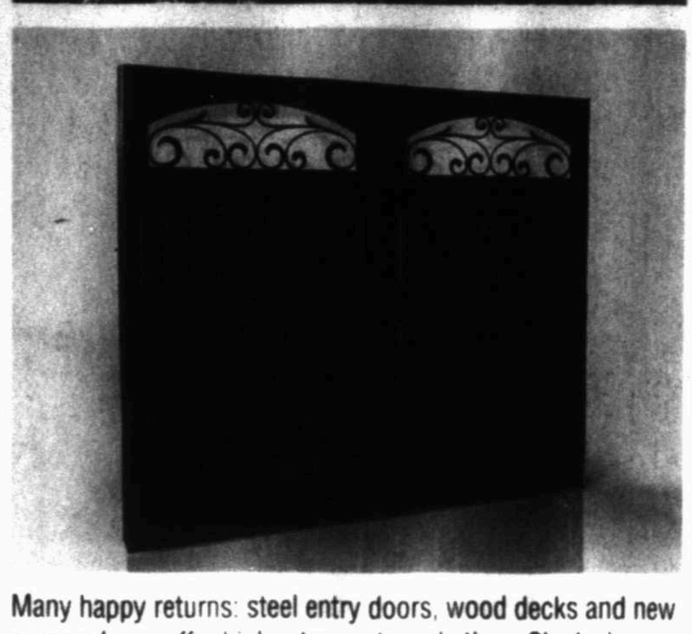
If creating greater value is your aim, "Do your homework to figure out what features are important in your area," says Sid Davis, a real estate investor and author of "Home Makeovers that Sell: Quick and Easy Ways to Get the Highest Possible Price." (AMACOM, 2006).

Over-improvement is a common mistake. Again, Davis advises opening your eyes and looking around the neighborhood. "If you go over than the average, you will never get the money that you put into," he says.

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Many happy returns: steel entry doors, wood decks and new garage doors offer high returns at resale time. Clockwise from left, Legacy steel door from Provia; tropical tigerwood deck designed by Cedarcraft Construction, Seattle; vintage-look Gallery steel garage door, new in black from Clopay.

Pull Up Not Just Any Chair

Embrace the traditional, contemporary or just plain funky side of the dining room

By Danielle Robinson | CTW Features

When it comes to decorating, the dining room is often the area of a home least infused with an individual's personal style. Since the room consists of little more than a giant table, this is not surprising. All the more reason, then, for dining room chairs to make a statement.

"Each piece of furniture has a silhouette that defines its style and its contribution to that room. A dining room chair is a perfect example of how that's done," says Penny Law, owner of PCL Interiors, Charlotte, N.C. "Each element – including the legs, back, arms and fabric design – is important and helps to define the style of the room itself."

Luckily, dining room chairs come in a vast array of shapes and styles to suit the needs of any design scheme.

"They can be dramatic and colorful, sleek and architectural, clean and simple or elaborately ornate," says Nora Murphy, founder and editor of the lifestyle web magazine NoraMurphyCountryHouse.com and former style director with Ethan Allen, Danbury, Ct.

Here are a few particularly striking new seats that are sure to elicit oohs and aahs at next month's dinner party.

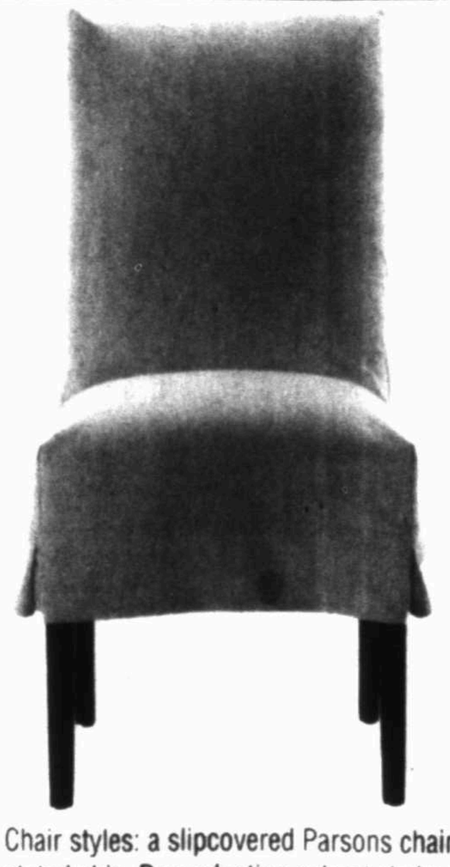
Refined Minimalist

"People should be careful to invest in dining chairs that are well designed, well made and comfortable," Murphy says. Elegant and graceful, yet barely there, Thos. Moser's Pasadena dining chair is just that: expertly crafted, with a clean curvaceous design that exudes style while remaining understated.

Offbeat Conversation-starters

Uber-modern and ready to make a splash, transparent plastic chairs are perfect for the homeowner who isn't afraid to stand out. Blending historical elegance and futuristic glam, the transparent Philippe Starck Louis Ghost Chair for Kartell follows classic 18th century French design. "With the creative use of new materials in traditional styles, it's the perfect blend for any interior," Law says.

Also sure to get guests talking, the Canteen Utility Chair from Very Good & Proper puts an eye-catching spin on a schoolhouse classic.





Chair styles: a slipcovered Parsons chair, Thomas from Ethan Allen, left, provides understated chic. Reproduction school chairs from Very Good & Simple set a tone of retro fun.

Updated Old World

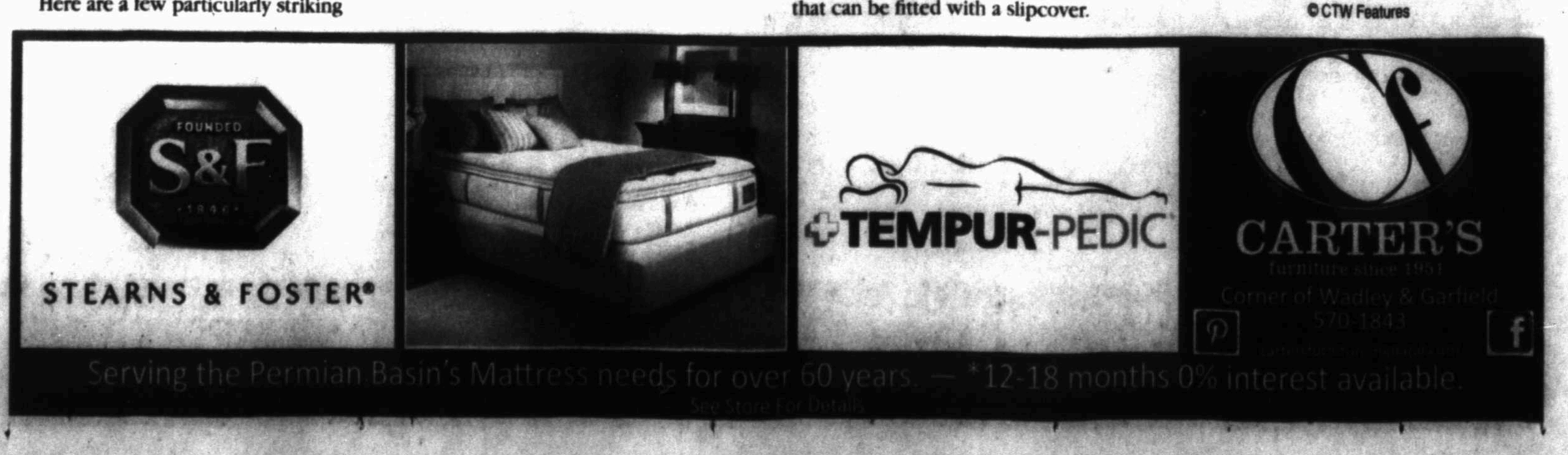
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Comfortable Chameleon

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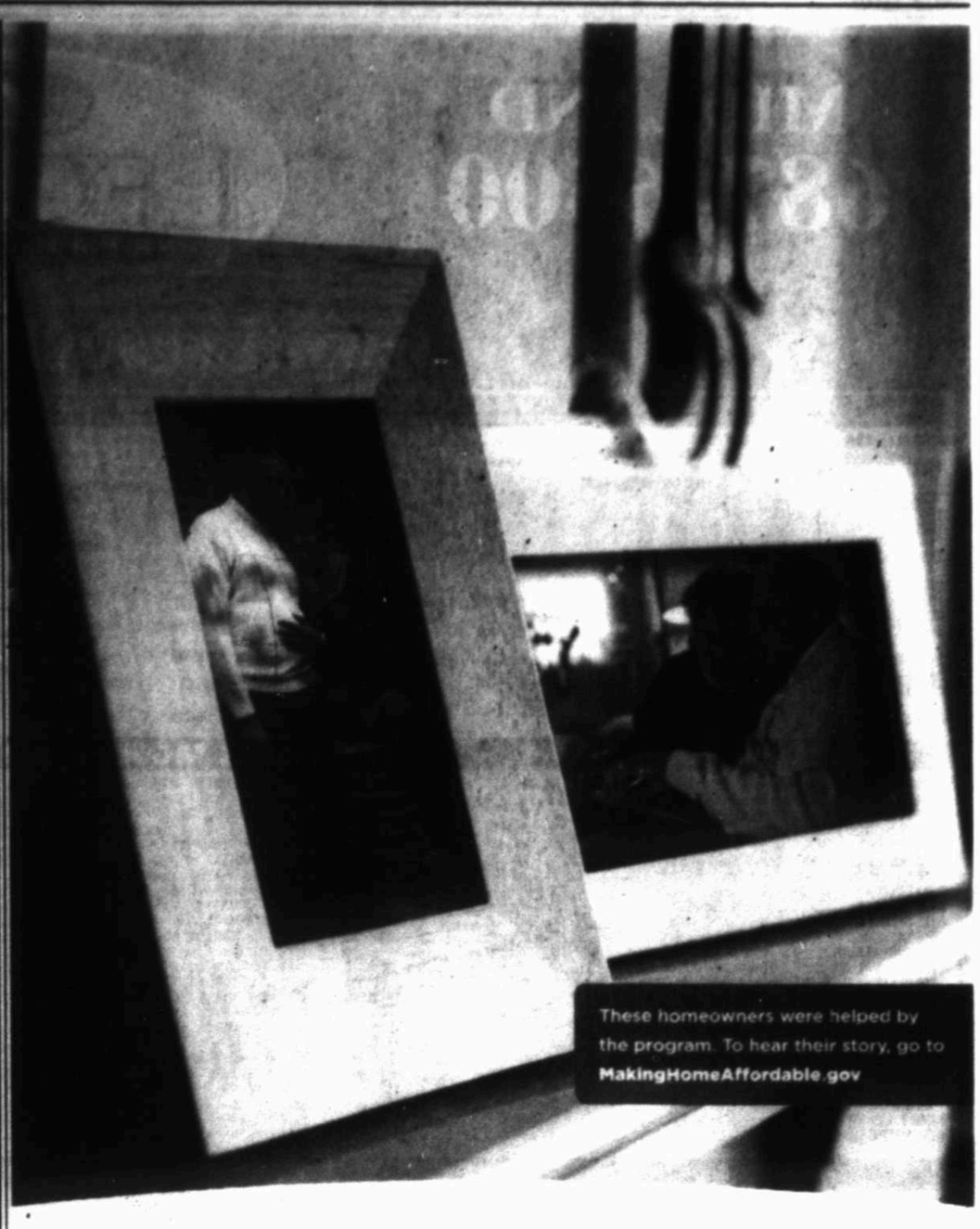
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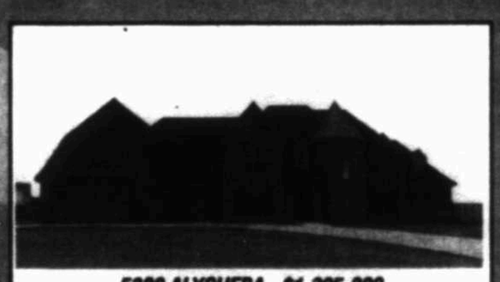


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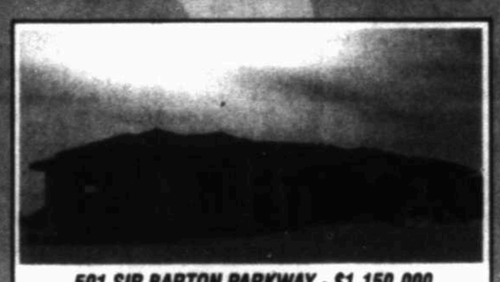
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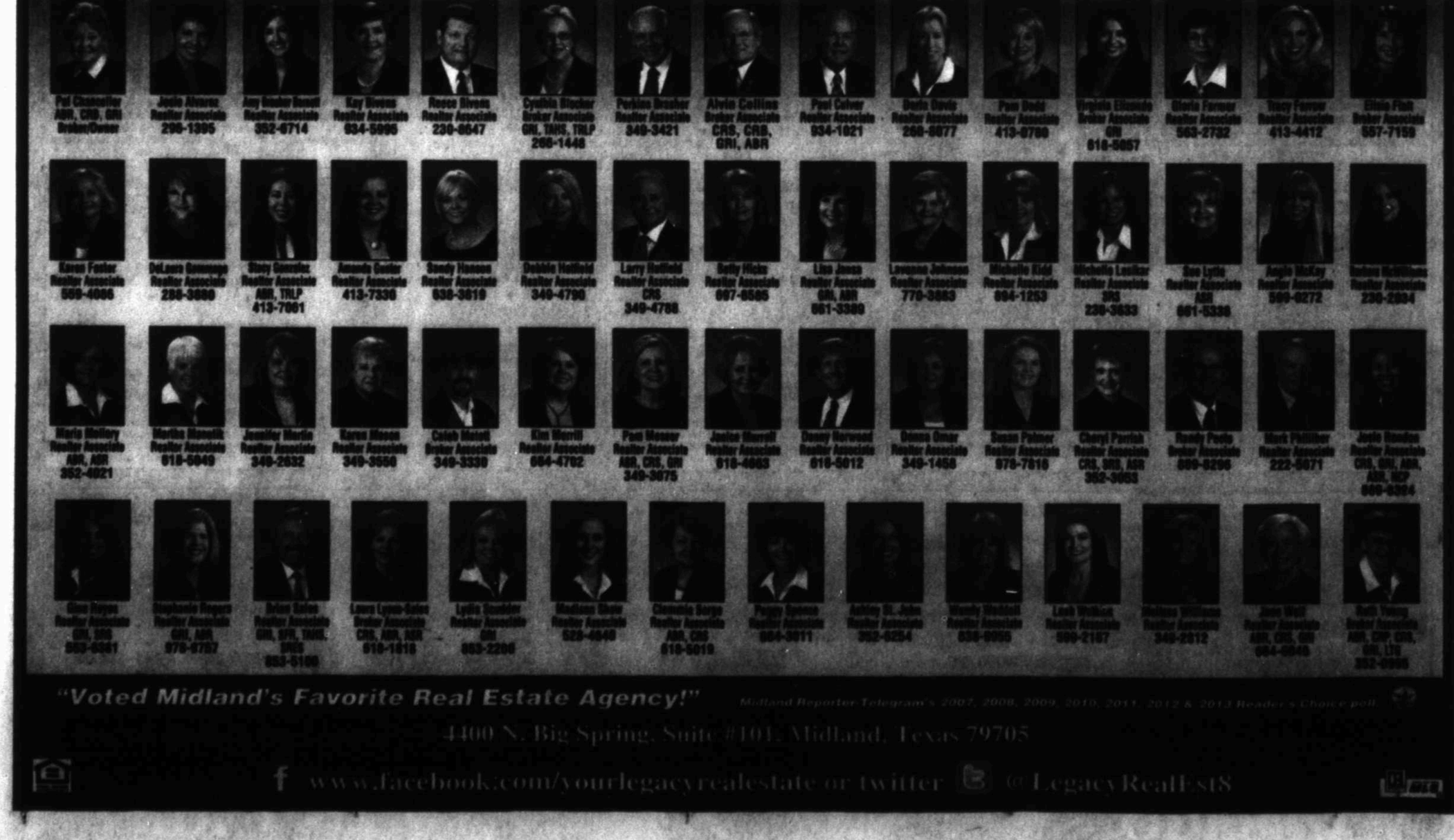
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visiting SOCHI





Right
Crystal and John Valletta traveled from Midland to watch the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia. They were sponsored by BMW of North America. John is the general manager at BMW of the Permian Basin.

At top
The Vallettas attended the slopestyle snowboarding event. They also attended the team figure skating, ski jumping and long-track speed skating events.

Far right
The Vallettas stand in front of the Olympic Park in Sochi, Russia.

Courtesy photos



Midland couple attends Winter Olympics in Sochi

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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Skating with Tara Lipinski. Being interviewed by Al Roker on the "Today" show. Meeting Olympic gold medalist ice dancing duo Meryl Davis and Charlie White.

For Midland couple Crystal and John Valletta, their all-expenses-paid trip to the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia was a once-in-a-lifetime experience.

"It was really one of the most memorable things of my life," Crystal said.

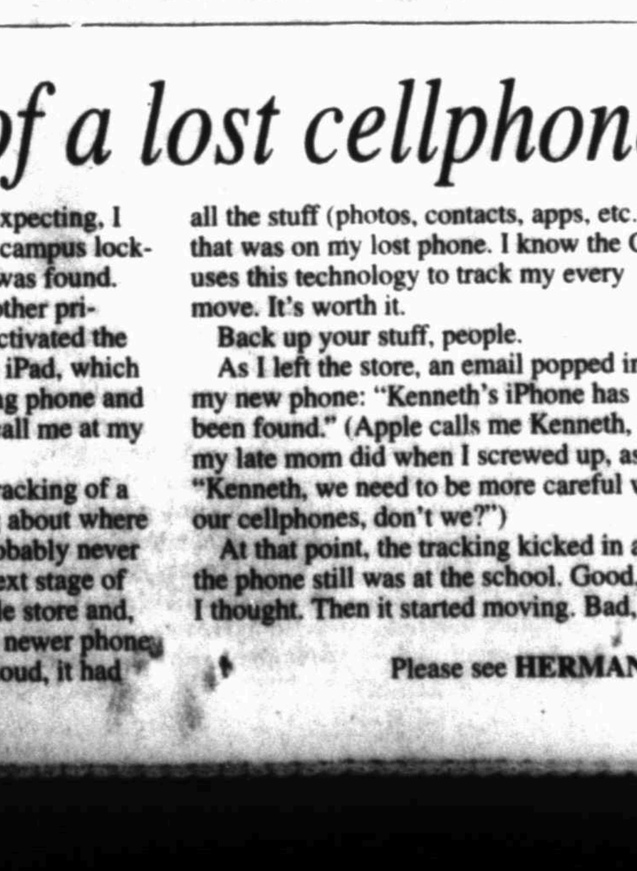
It all began last November, when John, general manager of BMW of the Permian Basin, learned he was being recognized for his dealership's outstanding sales performance with a trip to the Winter Olympics sponsored by BMW of North America. He and his wife, Crystal, left for Sochi on Feb. 5, two days before the Olympics' opening ceremony, and returned a week later.

The Midland dealership was one of two BMW dealers recognized in the southeast U.S. — the other was in Charlotte, N.C. BMW is an official sponsor of the 2014 Winter Olympics.

Going to the Olympics was never a thought in John or Crystal's minds until the opportunity arose, Crystal said. With all of the safety concerns circulating about the Games and the city of Sochi, the couple thought long and hard about whether they should go. In the end, they decided not to let fear stop them from the once-in-a-lifetime chance of seeing the Olympics live.

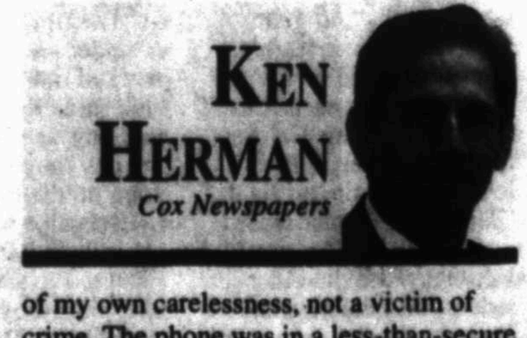
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Searching for meaning in the saga of a lost cellphone

■ Questions are bound to come up when one loses a most important possession



My life recently was burdened by what passes as calamity for those of us blessed with advantaged lives. I lost my cellphone.

The heartbreaking saga began as I was leaving a local middle school and I did the pocket smack to make sure I had my phone. I did not. Those of you who've lost a phone know the feeling. It's not like losing a relative, but it's close (depending on how much you liked that relative).

It was clear to me that I was a victim of my own carelessness, not a victim of crime. The phone was in a less-than-secure pocket and slipped out. I retraced my steps but didn't find the phone.

After determining that life somehow still was worth living, I reported my personal tragedy to the school office, expecting, I don't know, something like a campus lockdown/search until my phone was found. Inexplicably, the school had other priorities. So I went home and activated the "Find my iPhone" app on my iPad, which allowed me to lock the missing phone and have it display a message to call me at my home number.

And, though it allows for tracking of a lost phone, it told me nothing about where mine was. So, figuring I'd probably never see it again, I moved to the next stage of grieving by going to the Apple store and, $215 later, walked out with a newer phone. Through the miracle of the cloud, it had all the stuff (photos, contacts, apps, etc.) that was on my lost phone. I know the CIA uses this technology to track my every move. It's worth it.

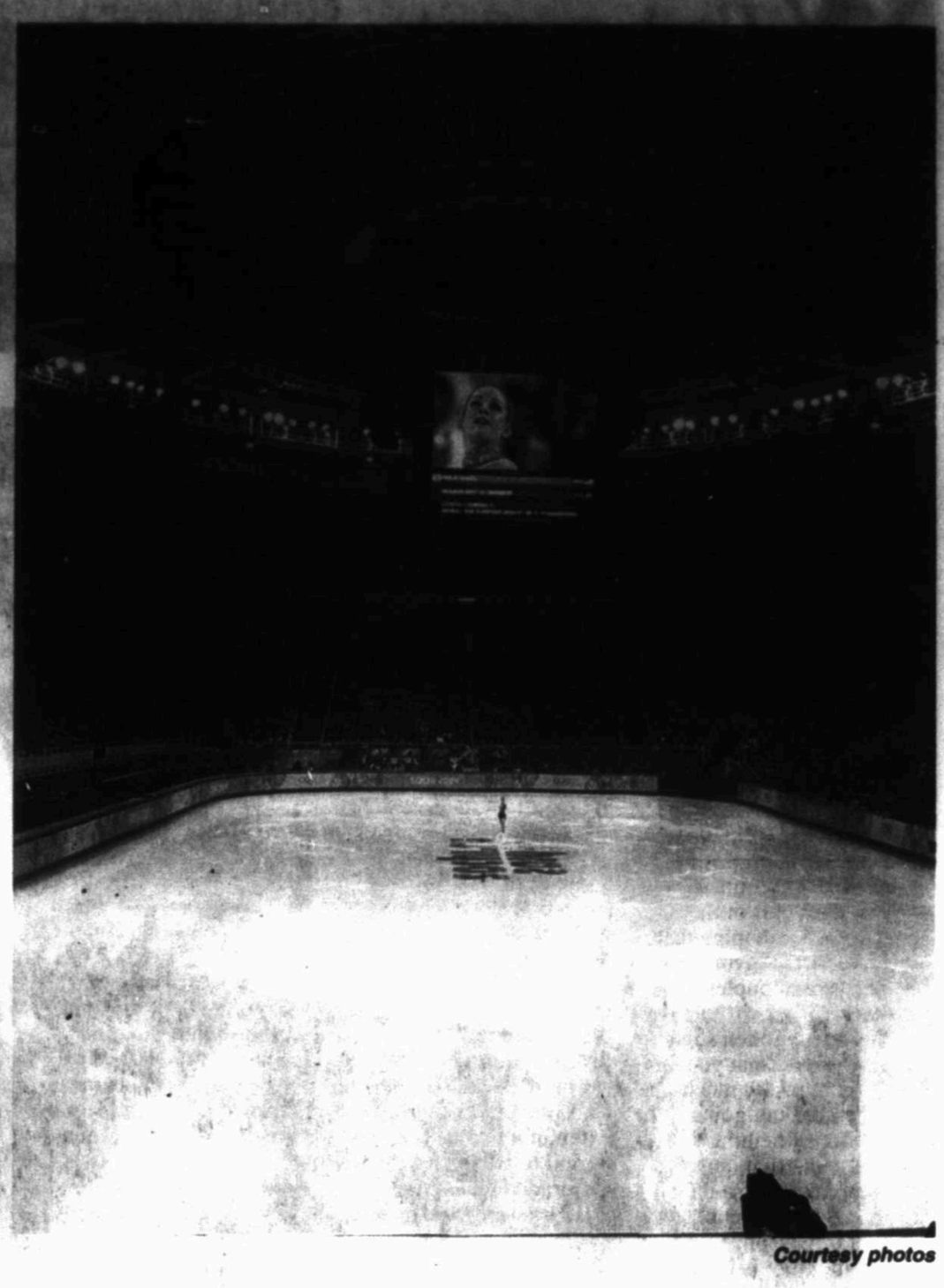
Back up your stuff, people.

As I left the store, an email popped into my new phone: "Kenneth's iPhone has been found." (Apple calls me Kenneth, as my late mom did when I screwed up, as in, "Kenneth, we need to be more careful with our cellphones, don't we?")

At that point, the tracking kicked in and the phone still was at the school. Good, I thought. Then it started moving. Bad, I

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coastal town of Sochi, John and Crystal said they were amazed at how much work had been done in so few years to prepare the city for the Olympics. They were housed in the Radisson Hotel of Rosa Khutor, a mountainous region of Sochi where the Alpine events were held. From the hotel, the Olympic Park in downtown Sochi was a 45-minute bus ride away.

The Vallettas were officially guests of NBC, which coordinated their trip and made all accommodations. They were required to obtain a Russian visa to enter the country, like all visitors. They were also required to undergo heavy security before entering each Olympic event.

The opening ceremony was held Feb. 7, and the Vallettas were guests. What stood out the most to them was the diversity of the many nationalities who attended the ceremony. There were immense amounts of national pride, but at the same time, different countries were cheering for each other, John said.

"It was neat to be in this melting pot of different cultures," Crystal said.

The Vallettas attended four events — slopestyle snowboarding, team figure skating, ski jumping and long-track speed skating. They were present when American athlete Sage Kotsenburg won the gold medal in slopestyle snowboarding. They witnessed American figure skaters Gracie Gold, Meryl Davis and Charlie White, among others, win the bronze medal in team figure skating.

"I was talking to my friends about this — most of us have been to football games and basketball games, but it's very rare that you get to sit down and watch figure skating," Crystal said. "When the Russian skaters took the ice, the crowd would go crazy."

For John, the most memorable moment of the team figure skating event was when Russian President Vladimir Putin strolled into the arena to watch the athletes.

Attending the events was only one part of the Vallettas' Olympic experience, however. They met and skated with Tara Lipinski, former Olympic gold medalist in figure skating. They also, by chance, appeared on the "Today" show with the American figure skating team and were interviewed about their Sochi experience by Al Roker.

While sitting in the lobby of their hotel one day, the Vallettas saw a group of visitors heading to the "Today" show and asked if they could tag along, Crystal said. While at the plaza where the "Today" show had set up, they met anchors Matt Lauer, Al Roker and Savannah Guthrie, in addition to the entire American figure skating team, including ice dancing partners Meryl Davis and Charlie White. They also met Tara Lipinski there.



Top left
The slopestyle snowboarding track at the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia.

Top right
American figure skater Gracie Gold on the ice at the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia.

Above
"Today" show anchors Savannah Guthrie and Al Roker pose with American athletes at the 2014 Winter Olympics, including figure skating partners Meryl Davis and Charlie White (in silver coats), who won the gold medal in ice dancing.

"The neat thing with the Olympic athletes is that pretty much all of the athletes are just regular people that just happened to be world-class athletes in their discipline," John said.

"They just worked really hard to get where they are," Crystal added.

The Vallettas spoke candidly about their accommodations in Sochi, saying they didn't experience any problems with lodging or arrangements. For an area that was built in only a few years, it's understandable that a few things may be out of sorts, John said.

"Our experience was that it was spectacular," John said. "I'm really happy that the event went so well for them."

What they noticed was that the people of Sochi were immensely proud to host the Olympics in their city. While on a gondola ride around the city with a Russian woman, the Vallettas said that she kept asking them, "Isn't it beautiful? Isn't it beautiful?"

"They were very welcoming and proud to have the Olympics in their city," Crystal said.

Now that they've had a taste of Olympic excitement, Crystal and John said they can't wait to go back. Having lived in Midland since August with their two young daughters, they said they're already planning for 2016 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and 2018 in South Korea.

Graceland exhibit gives glimpse into young Elvis

By Adrian Sainz
Associated Press

If you go

60 YEARS OF ELVIS: Exhibit at Graceland, Memphis, Tenn., part of VIP tour, $72; http://www.elvis.com

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — The telegram sent by Elvis Presley to his parents in November 1954 gives a glimpse into the young singer's priorities and his optimism, as he begins what will become a career as a rock 'n' roll icon and cultural phenomenon.

"Hi babies," said the telegram, sent from Houston by Presley to his parents, Vernon and Gladys, who were in Memphis. "Here's the money to pay the bills. Don't tell no one how much I sent. Will send more next week. There is a card in the mail. Love, Elvis."

The note is being displayed in an exhibit at Graceland, Presley's longtime Memphis home that today serves as a museum and tourist attraction. The exhibit, which opened Monday, commemorates the 60 years since Presley cut his first record, "That's All Right," at Sun Studio in July 1954. It was played on the radio days later, and many believe its release marked the birth of mainstream rock 'n' roll.

There are other theories about the creation of rock 'n' roll, which was born from a truly American mixture of styles such as country, blues, jazz and gospel. But in the eyes of Priscilla Presley — Elvis Presley's former wife — it was a defining moment in Elvis' life, when as a shy 19-year-old he walked into the studio run by visionary producer Sam Phillips and sang the lyrics, "Well, that's all right for you."

"It had to be on his mind for a long time to get up the nerve to go in that place and want to meet Sam Phillips to record a song for his mother," Priscilla Presley told The Associated Press in an interview at Graceland on Feb. 21.

"That's not something that he would have just thought about doing at the spur of the moment," she added. "I think it took him some courage to do that."

Elvis Presley was born in Tupelo, Miss., on Jan. 8, 1935. He moved to Memphis with his parents as a teenager and made the city his primary home. He lived at Graceland until his death at age 42 on Aug. 16, 1977.

Elvis and Priscilla met in 1959, and her first visit to Graceland was in 1962. They were married in 1967 and divorced in 1973.

The house opened as a museum in June 1982, and a complex built across the street houses permanent exhibits, two airplanes owned by Presley, gift shops and restaurants. The tourist attraction draws more than 500,000 visitors each year.

The temporary exhibit is in a room next to the house called the "annex." Visitors with a VIP ticket (about $70) can walk the entire exhibit in about 15 to 20 minutes. It details the trajectory of Presley's career through his hit songs, such as "Heartbreak Hotel," "Jailhouse Rock" and "Suspicious Minds."

It's also the first new exhibit since Authentic Brands Group bought Elvis Presley's intellectual property from CORE Media Group in November.

Authentic Brands also is partnering with the founder of another company to operate the tourist attraction across the street from the home. Elvis and Priscilla Presley's daughter, Lisa Marie Presley, still owns the Graceland home and the original items inside it.

Along with the telling telegram, the "60 Years of Elvis" exhibit features jumpsuits worn on tour by Presley and an organ he would play in his California home. There's Presley's copy of the original "That's All Right" record — with "Blue Moon of Kentucky" on the other side — and the original contract Presley inked with RCA in November 1955 for a $5,000 signing bonus.

Priscilla Presley said her husband talked about befriending Phillips' secretary Marion Keisker, who is said to have recognized his talent and facilitated the first "That's All Right" recording.

"The timing was right ... under her guidance, it worked out," Priscilla Presley said. "He was nervous that day, as much as he was the day they first played his song on the radio."

Elvis also was nervous about how listeners would react to the song, which was played by influential disc jockey Dewey Phillips on his "Red, Hot and Blue" radio show on WHBQ a few days after it was recorded.

"Elvis was really shy by nature — I don't know if you all know that or not, but I do for sure," Priscilla Presley said.

Despite the flashy garments, confident onstage persona and sex appeal, Elvis was not one to boast about money. She said the phrase in the telegram asking his parents not to divulge the amount he sent is proof.

To this day, it remains unclear how much he actually wired.

"Enough to pay the bills, let's just put it that way," said Priscilla Presley, laughing.



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Priscilla Presley stands in the "60 years of Elvis" exhibit inside an annex at Graceland on Feb. 21 in Memphis, Tenn. The exhibit, which opened Monday, features jumpsuits worn by Presley, an organ played in his California home, a copy of the original "That's All Right" record and other miscellaneous Elvis items.

For Utah parents, hurdle to divorce could advance

By Annie Cox
Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — A few nights a week in Utah, rooms in courthouses typically reserved for deliberating juries fill up with parents looking to divorce. And among the first lessons they are taught is a simple, if not emotional, one: Keep the kids out of it.

"Cocoon your child," instructor Neal Gunnarson tells the group of parents.

Utah was the first in the nation in 1994 to require that couples complete what's now a two-hour, $55 seminar before courts will finalize a split. Now, a lawmaker is proposing to require that couples take at least part of the course earlier, hoping that it can reduce a divorce rate among those couples with children.

"If you've gotten so far down the road that you feel like you're pretty much done, you're not going to rethink something that you've spent that long moving toward," said the bill's sponsor, Republican Rep. Jim Nielson.

The measure is likely to pass over objections from those who say it will only worsen an already grueling and painful process. "They're going through a terrible time," said Dianne Passey, a divorce class teacher in Salt Lake City.

The bill puts Utah back in the spotlight for legislation that was unique 20 years ago but commonplace today.

According to a 2008 study by the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts, 48 states offer such classes in some form. Twenty-seven states require in statute that parents take the class, and others leave the decision up to counties, other districts or individual judges.

Some mandate a video session while others include roleplaying and other information about how the split could affect children and teens.

Utah lawmakers aren't alone in discussing measures that would, in effect, make it more difficult to divorce in recent years.

A pending proposal in the Oklahoma Legislature would prolong the divorce waiting period to six months. A 2013 North Carolina bill also proposed extending the waiting period to two years. And Colorado legislators in 2012 considered a measure to have couples wait a year.

At one recent class, some wore sweatpants and baseball caps, others pleated slacks and blouses. Some showed up with watery eyes. The classes focus on everything from how to leave the kids out of arguments to how much legal fees can cost.

Some participants played solitaire on their smartphones or whispered to a spouse or sibling.

In the first hour of the course, instructors go over legal paths for divorce, but also point out that couples can still choose to reconcile.

That's the key element the sponsor said should come sooner. Nielson proposes that before parents get custody rights or financial orders, they need first to have been granted the course certificate. The proposal would exempt people seeking protective orders.

When a participant was asked what her husband's name was, Gunnarson said, she replied: "Satan."

Soon after, some asked questions, including whether an ex-husband will still be required to pay child support if he doesn't have a job and what they should do if waves of grief over the breakup don't stop.

"If you're stuck and you want someone to talk to," Passey told the group, "just listen to your gut" and don't be afraid to seek counseling.

From Gunnarson's point of view, not every couple attending his classes needs a divorce. But most will get one, he said. What would parents say, Gunnarson asked, if their child was in the room, asking, "Why are you getting divorced?"

"We decided it's best for all of us," one participant offered.

"The only thing you need to know," Gunnarson told a hypothetical child, assuming the role of the parents in front of him, "is that your dad loves you and your mom loves you."

Alan Hawkins, a professor at Brigham Young University's School of Family Life, said Nielson's bill would help lower the numbers of people who divorce by installing a necessary yellow light. He said academic studies show that about 1 in 10 divorces "are a mistake for everyone involved."

In those cases, he said, repairing the marriage would be the better option.

Opponents are skeptical that the new provision will help. They said that once couples reach the class, they will likely go through with the divorce.

"This is the last thing you need. Especially earlier, when you have bigger fish to fry, and it's unlikely to do anything good," said Nicholas Wolfinger, a professor of family and consumer studies at the University of Utah.

Utah's divorce rate is just slightly above the national average. It has waned in recent years, mirroring a dip in the state's marriage rate.

One of those who attended a class was Ryan Campbell. He had arrived alone one recent January evening. His wife had already gone weeks earlier. As he sat there, he began to think that maybe he and his wife could get back together.

Then, a new reality started to sink in. A 27-year marriage that produced four children was over.

He said his divorce is nearly final, and that he's not sure that taking the class earlier would have saved his marriage. But it has helped him handle the grief. "I've come from the begging and the fear to being empowered," he said. "and it's OK."



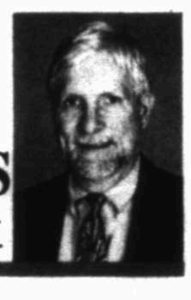
Ryan Campbell looks on while having lunch with his son Chase on Feb. 14 in Lehi, Utah. Campbell is one of dozens of Utah parents considering divorce who have taken a course on their legal options and how the split will affect their children. A Utah lawmaker is proposing ramping up the law to cut down on the number of divorces in the state. Under a proposed measure in the state Legislature, couples would have to take the class earlier before a court can grant custody rights.

Rick Bowmer/AP

Teenage son wants to stay home alone

FAMILY MATTERS

Jim May, Ph.D., is director of the Family Wellness Center



DEAR FAMILY: My 17-year-old son wants to stay home by himself when his father and I are gone for four days. It is a well-deserved break for my husband, but it's turning into a nightmare for me because of this. Every time I try to talk to my son about it, we always end up fighting. I am trying very hard to not involve his father because his plate is full with his work and he's already stressed out to the max.

My son makes two good points: He has never been in trouble in his life, and he will have to miss two days of school if he goes with us. It really upsets him that we "don't trust him" after all this time. I try to explain that it's not that we don't trust him, we just don't want to put him in a difficult position with his friends. I've heard too many stories from my friends about teenage parties when a parent was out of town, so we're just not inclined to let him do it. He gets so mad (which he never does) that he even yells at me. I do want to leave him and let him manage for himself for once, but I'm just plain scared to do it. Like he said, he's been so good all this time, but I just don't want him to blow it now.

While it is true that he would miss two days of school, he is a senior and has great grades. He is in no danger of not graduating. Can you help me with this? I really don't want to give his dad more stress than he already has. — TRAPPED

DEAR TRAPPED: In general and in my professional experience, I do not believe it is a good idea to allow a teen to stay at home alone. While your son has certainly demonstrated he has the maturity to do it, I am concerned about his "friends of friends" and "uninvited others" who tend to show up. In these days of rapid communications via cellphones, news travels fast and to a lot of people. You just never know who might show up. If you discuss this aspect with him, I am sure he'll claim that he will not allow anyone he does not know or like in. That turns out to be much harder than he actually knows, unless he is willing to call the police.

I have dealt with numerous horror stories of things that have happened when parents left teens home alone including alcohol and drug use and abuse, house destruction, fights, sex and rape. I will agree that these situations are probably the exception; but is it prudent to take the chance? It is difficult for a teenager to not let his or her friends stop by for just a little while to hang out when parents are out of town.

My point is I would emphasize to your son that you trust him but not others. I would also encourage you to emphasize that this is really your problem not his. I would also explain that you would like very much for the two of you to resolve this in a civilized fashion (that is, no fighting) without involving dad and stressing him even more. Perhaps a workable compromise you might consider is allowing him to be home by himself during the daylight hours but then he stay at a friend's or relative's home with parents you trust at night. I would also tell your neighbors that if they see any hint of a party to call the police. Be sure and tell your son what you have told the neighbors.

This is a thorny problem because I assume he will be going to college in just a few short months, and no one will be there to supervise him. Given his sterling history you might discuss this with your husband and allow him to stay home alone. However, there is a different kind of pressure in being a self-manager of a home and a dorm room. It is a big step on your part, and you will probably worry about it all the while you are gone. Asking a friend, relative or neighbor to check on him each night might make you feel better.

Animal lover is appalled by camouflage wedding

DEAR ABBY

Universal Press Syndicate



DEAR ABBY: My nephew is getting married next year. I was very excited because I love him and I'm a baker. I had planned on making the groom's cake as I did for his brother's and sister's weddings. The problem is, they have decided on a hunting theme for their wedding — including a camouflage wedding dress for the bride.

Abby, I am an animal-rights activist. I'm against any form of hunting. I am also involved with several animal-protection groups. My nephew and his fiancee know how hard I work for animal rights — just the thought of a hunting theme for a wedding makes me ill.

I don't even want to attend, let alone make a cake. What can I do so there will be no hurt feelings if I don't want to attend or participate? — BAKER IN THE MIDWEST

DEAR BAKER: The theme for your nephew's wedding is certainly unique. The concept of a camouflage wedding dress is practical because the dress can be worn after the nuptials, which isn't the case with many bridal gowns.

Feeling as strongly as you do about not attending, write the happy couple a warm letter wishing them a lifetime of happiness together and include a nice wedding gift — I'm sure there will be no hurt feelings.

DEAR ABBY: My elderly in-laws are wonderful, but even with hearing aids, they have trouble hearing. They enjoy dining out often. In order for them to hear us, family and friends must speak louder than normal. In a restaurant, this can be uncomfortable, not only for those of us dining with them, but also for any other people seated nearby.

My in-laws like to ask about and discuss personal and medical matters, and very loudly. If we try to keep our conversation at a reasonable and polite level, they get upset for not being included in the conversation or constantly ask, "What'd he say?"

I feel bad for other diners seated near us who are trying to have a nice meal. What to do? — MORTIFIED AT THE DINNER TABLE

DEAR MORTIFIED: With some of the commercials that air on television these days, from overactive bladder to hemorrhoids to erectile dysfunction and adult diapers, it's hard to believe anyone would be shocked by what's discussed at your table.

However, if possible, ask that your party be seated in a section of the restaurant away from other patrons. If it's not, turn to diners who are overhearing the "organ recital" and say, "They're actually whispering, even though it doesn't sound like it!"

DEAR ABBY: My husband, and I are getting ready to close on our first home. Our mortgage broker was an absolute angel, teaching us about the process and making sure we were well-informed.

Because he was so wonderful, we were thinking about getting him a thank-you card and a gift card to a restaurant. We're unsure about the etiquette regarding thank-yous to mortgage brokers and aren't sure how to proceed. Please advise. — FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYERS

DEAR HOMEBUYERS: The same rules of etiquette apply that would apply to any gift. I'm sure your "angel" will not only be pleased by your generosity and grateful for your thoughtfulness, but also pleasantly surprised.

HERMAN

From 1E

thought. It came to a rest at a residence a mile and a half from the school.

What does one do with such information? A close adviser advised against pursuing the phone, counseling that I should just enjoy my new phone and move on. Good advice, I thought. Then I allowed myself to be lured by the siren song of a trouble-making colleague here at the paper. We got in his truck and headed out in search of my lost phone.

(The colleague shall remain anonymous because a portion of the tale does not reflect well on the parenting skills in his family.)

We headed to where the Apple app map said my beloved phone had come to rest. I knocked on the duplex door and, as friendly as can be, I told the lady I'd lost my phone and tracked it to this location. No phone, she said. And no kid who goes to the school where I lost it. Yeah sure, I said to myself while apologizing for bothering her.

My colleague knows cops. He wants to be one when he grows up. He called a cop he knows. And he approached a cop who happened to be near where we thought my phone was. Somehow, and shockingly, that on-scene cop had something more pressing to pursue than my lost cellphone. (Memo to Austin Police Chief Art Acevedo: Can we please get our priorities straight?)

About then, my colleague's wife called him to say she had forgotten to pick up their son at his high school about two hours earlier. So now, like the school and the cops, my colleague somehow had something more important to deal with than my lost phone. Unfathomable. We picked up the stranded son, whose grumpiness dissolved into delight when he realized the potential fun of being involved in two old guys' pathetic search for a lost phone.

I was ready to give up on the phone, but my colleague, though due at some fast-approaching dinner event, was not. As time went by, he sounded more and more like a cop. We were just this side of saying things like "perpetrator" and "person of interest" and "10-4." His son seemed intrigued by the possibility of gunplay.

At that moment, in that truck, all three of us were keenly aware that nothing in the world — not global hunger, not the MoPac Boulevard construction mess, not the possibility the authorities would seize the child that had been left at school — was more important than my phone.

As we plotted our next move, our persistence and intelligence paid off. Actually, what happened was my new phone rang, bringing the news that a woman had called my home number to report that her son had found my old phone.

I called the woman. Reward negotiations ensued. Is there a reward, she asked? Fine, I said, 25 bucks. And without leaving an opportunity for further negotiation, I got the address and we headed to it.

Turns out it was one duplex over from the door on which I had knocked, making it a good thing that my colleague did not talk his cop friends into calling in the SWAT team on what turned out to be the wrong address.

I knocked on the door, met the mom and kid, paid the $25 reward and got my phone. As I headed out, the mom said her son had one more question. He wanted to know if he could have $50. The deal having been done, I said no. In addition to learning that honesty can have its rewards, I hope the kid learned that negotiations should be completed before the deal is done.

Later, I headed back to the Apple store, returned the new phone, got my $215 back and had the old phone reactivated.

Some bottom lines, and I'd be interested in your thoughts:

The kid probably should've turned the phone in at school instead of taking it home. Fine, either way, I got my phone back. And I was OK with paying the reward, but would not have allowed my kid to ask for a reward. Accept a reward? Probably. Request one? No.

WEDDINGS



Rodriguez - Martinez

Mr. & Mrs. Fred Rodriguez of Midland, Texas are proud to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Jessica Gonzales Rodriguez, to Mr. Paul Michael Martinez of Fort Stockton, Texas. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfredo Martinez of Fort Stockton, Texas.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Caroline Hernandez and the late Mr. Jesse R. Gonzales and Ms. Maria Elfida Rodriguez and the late Mr. Fred Mc Rodriguez of Midland, Texas.

Jessica graduated from West Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Marketing in 2003. She will receive her Master of Arts degree in ESL Education with an Educational Leadership Minor from University of Texas of the Permian Basin in August 2014. She is currently employed as a teacher with Midland Independent School District in Midland.

The prospective groom is the grandson of the late Mr. & Mrs. Carlos and Maria Sotelo and the late Mr. and Mrs. Albino and Manuela Martinez of Fort Stockton, Texas.

Paul graduated from Angelo State University in 2008 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Kinesiology and from Odessa College with an Associate degree in Applied Science Radiology Technology in 2012. He is currently employed with MCH ProCare in Odessa as an X-ray Technologist.

The ceremony will take place in the summer of 2014. After a honeymoon trip to St. Lucia, the couple will reside in Midland.



Ruppanner-Huffhines

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ruppanner of Midland, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their son, Austin Andrew Ruppanner, to Emily Anne Huffhines, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stan Huffhines of Mabank, Texas.

The future bridegroom is the grandson of Vada M. James of Odessa , Texas and the late Woodson M. James and the late Ray A. and Anna L. Ruppanner.

Austin is a 2006 graduate of Midland Christian High School. He graduated from Texas A&M University with a Bachelor of Science in Animal Science in 2010 and will graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing in May 2014 from the Texas A&M Health Science Center.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Bobby and Jeannie Williams of Kemp, Texas and Lucille Huffhines of Whitesboro, Texas and the late R. L. Huffhines.

Emily is a 2005 home school graduate and will graduate with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education in May 2014 from the Texas A&M University - Commerce.

The couple will be married in May at Faith Church of Athens, Texas.

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Jeremy Lakaszcyck/AP

Maymo, a lemon beagle, poses for a shame illustration in Merrimack Valley, Mass. in this 2013 photo. In late 2011, Jeremy Lakaszcyck, of Boston, started putting shaming videos of Maymo on YouTube, but behaviorists insist dogs lack shame.

Behaviorists: Dogs feel no shame despite the look

By Sue Manning
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The next time you start shaking your finger and shouting "Shame on you!" because your dog chewed up your favorite fuzzy slippers, just remember that no matter how guilty your dog looks, it doesn't know what your rant is about.

Behaviorists insist dogs lack shame. The guilty look — head cowered, ears back, eyes droopy — is a reaction to the tantrum you are throwing now over the damage they did hours earlier.

"Just get over it and remind yourself not to put temptation in the way next time," said Dr. Bonnie Beaver, a professor at Texas A&M University's College of Veterinary Medicine and executive director of the American College of Veterinary Behaviorists.

But scientific findings have not put a dent in the popularity of online dog shaming sites such as dogshaming.com and shameyourpet.com or videos such as those posted on youtube.com/crackrockcandy. In the photos and videos, dogs wear humorous written "confessions" and often are surrounded by the remnants of their misdeeds. There is no question that in some photos, they look guilty of eating, drinking, chewing, licking or destroying something they shouldn't have.

Dogshaming.com was the first and is among the most popular sites. Since Pascale Lemire started it in August 2012, it has received more than 58 million page views and more than 65,000 submissions. A submission has to come with a photo showing the dog's guilty look.

Lemire, who lives in Vancouver, British Columbia, also published a book called "Dog Shaming," which hit the New York Times best-seller list in January.

"I don't think dogs actually feel shame," Lemire said. "I think they know how to placate us with this sad puppy-dog look that makes us think they're ashamed of what they've done. My guess is that their thinking is: 'Oh man, my owner is super mad about something, but I don't know what, but he seems to calm down when I give him the sad face, so let's try that again.'"

She thinks the online dog shaming memes are all in good fun.

"People come for a laugh and camaraderie," Lemire said. "They see that their dog isn't the only one who does awful things. People don't shame their dogs out of anger, they do it out of love."

Another dog owner helped get celebrities into the trend. In late 2011, Jeremy Lakaszcyck of Boston started putting shaming videos of his lemon beagle, Maymo, on YouTube. Four months later, Ellen DeGeneres ran one of them on her show and comedian Ricky Gervais tweeted it. The popularity of the videos soared, Lakaszcyck said.

He also submitted photos to Lemire for dogshaming.com, which made Maymo even more famous.

Maymo has a naturally sad or guilty face and senses something is wrong if Lakaszcyck speaks in a stern voice. "They know when their owners are angry.

"Maymo can sit for quite a while looking sad because he's a ham. It's natural, and he knows a treat is coming. His tail usually wags through the wait. It's like he's happy on one end and sad on the other," he said.

One of the first scientific studies on the "guilty dog look" was conducted in 2009 by Alexandra Horowitz, an associate professor of psychology at Barnard College in New York City. One of her books, "Inside of a Dog: What Dogs See, Smell, and Know," included the findings.

In the study, she used 14 dogs, videotaping them in a series of trials and studying how they reacted when an owner left the room after telling them not to eat a treat. When the owners returned, sometimes they knew what the dogs had done and sometimes they didn't and sometimes the dogs had eaten the treats and sometimes they hadn't.

"I found that the 'look' appeared most often when owners scolded their dogs, regardless of whether the dog had disobeyed or did something for which they might or should feel guilty. It wasn't 'guilt' but a reaction to the owner that prompted the look," Horowitz said.

"I am not saying that dogs might not feel guilt, just that the 'guilty look' is not an indication of it," she added. She also believes there is a difference between guilt and shame.

Dogs can certainly learn from bad behavior, but rewards or punishment are most effective right after the wrongdoing, said Beaver, the veterinary professor. "The farther it gets from that, the less connection is made with the behavior," she said.

At some point, your dog will probably cower, waiting for you to complete your meltdown, ditch the negative voice and lose the nasty body language, Beaver said.

But you do wonder what other emotions dogs lack besides guilt.

"Humans have a natural desire to know what an animal is thinking, and yet we are limited to reading body language and measuring physiological reactions," Beaver said. The bottom line is: "We will never truly know because we cannot ask them."



Richard Vogel/AP file photo

Jacob Miller scans a cat for a microchip at the East Valley Animal Shelter in the Van Nuys section of Los Angeles in this 2011 photo. The search for your cat tends to be more difficult than if you had lost a dog, experts said. But you can protect against the loss of your cat by microchipping it and strapping on an ID collar.

Runaway cats won't go far but may be hard to find

By Sue Manning
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — If a scared dog bolts from home, it's likely to run as fast and far as it can. But if a house cat panics, it's more likely to slink away and stop at the first good hiding place it finds.

Because the getaway is so different, the search has to be, too, said Nancy Peterson, cat programs manager for the Humane Society of the United States and a registered veterinarian technician.

Don't run to a shelter or post signs right away, she said. Immediately after you notice your pet is missing, search your yard, contact neighbors and show a photo to mail carriers, delivery drivers and paperboys.

"Most cats that escape or leave home won't go more than five houses away, so you should go to neighbor homes and ask if you can check their backyards," she said. "If the cat does get further, it's because a dog or another cat chased it. Unfortunately, the farther away it gets, the harder it is for it to get home."

The search for your feline friend tends to be tougher going than if you had lost a dog, experts said. Good Samaritans often come to the rescue of dog owners, picking up pooches and making a call to the owner or taking them to a shelter. But there is no cavalry for cats, and domestic ones are not easily caught — you can't just open a car door and coax it to hop in. But you can protect against the loss of your cat by microchipping it and strapping on an ID collar.

Even long-lost cats can be found, a joy that Mickey and June Wilson experienced. When an 8,700-acre wildfire came close to their Santa Barbara, Calif., home in May 2009, the couple grabbed their cat Morris and evacuated.

For one night, they stayed in a motel in Buellton, about 45 miles northwest of Santa Barbara.

When Mickey Wilson went to get luggage from the car, Morris, rambling freely in the second-story room, escaped. Wilson searched everywhere, following several tips, but came up empty-handed.

Heartbroken, Wilson and his wife returned home the next day without Morris. Relatives went up a few times after that to look but could not find the cat.

Four months later, Wilson got a call from a woman who found Morris behind a restaurant at a feral cat feeding station. The station is run by Catalyst for Cats, Inc., a group of volunteers trying to control the feral cat population in Santa Barbara County by trapping, sterilizing and returning and then feeding wild cats in the area.

"Owned, lost cats show up at feeding stations more often than one would imagine," said Marci Kladnik, a Catalyst for Cats volunteer and columnist for the Cat Writers' Association.

Morris was in good shape except for the tip of his tail, which was broken.

"If he hadn't had a name tag on his collar, we would never have seen him again," said Wilson, a retired aircraft engineer.

Wilson had to put Morris down about six months ago because of bladder problems. "He was a special cat," Wilson said. "And we enjoyed him up to the very end."

Morris' discovery shows even a long search isn't hopeless.

"Don't give up! Cats can return home months after being lost," Orange County Animal Control spokesman Ryan Drabek said. But he said that most of the cats the facility takes in each year are feral. Only a third of them are domesticated, he said.

But there's always hope if a cat has ID, said Dr. Karen "Doc" Halligan, author and chief veterinary officer of the Lucy Pet Foundation.

"Both my cats have breakaway collars, tags and microchips. That is something all cat owners need to do for their cats," she said.

If a lost cat doesn't find its own way home the first night, broaden the search. Start checking shelters, post fliers and sign up on all the lost-pet apps available online.

"Don't wait too long," said Peterson of the Humane Society. "Cats are creatures of habit. If they disappear one night and don't reappear by the next, something is probably wrong."

If you find your cat, it will probably be skittish.

"For a cat, danger comes from above so don't stand over a cat. ... Talk to it gently. Pet it, pet it, pet it, pet it," said Kladnik, the author.

At home, "the cat will be glad to get there. It might be a little needy and will purr and purr. Go back to your normal routine. That's what the cat wants," she said.

Online:
www.catalystforcats.org
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ABOVE
Chef and owner Donald Link shows his baked asiago with oregano and lemon, at Herbsaint Restaurant in New Orleans on Feb. 17. Attending a Mardi Gras parade may conjure up images of standing for hours among crowds of drunken revelry, street eats such as hot dogs and cotton candy. That is one side of one of the biggest free parties in the world. But there's another side to Mardi Gras — for those willing to pay a little extra. Fine dining establishments along New Orleans parade routes offer a much different kind of experience.

RIGHT
King cake doughnuts, served with strawberry jam and toasted pecan, are seen sat Emeril's Delmonico in New Orleans on Feb. 17.

Gerald Herbert/AP



FINEST FARE

Enjoy fine dining while watching Mardi Gras parades

By Stacey Plaisance
Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — Visiting New Orleans for Mardi Gras season? You'll find pizza, hot dog stands and rolling carts of cotton candy galore along the parade routes, but some of the city's finest fare can also be consumed along St. Charles Avenue, the main drag for the biggest and glitziest star-studded processions of Carnival.

Some restaurants even have grandstands that put viewers at eye level with floats and just above the throngs of street revelers jockeying for beads with outstretched arms.

Herbsaint, a French bistro-style restaurant on St. Charles near the middle of the parade route, offers viewing spots for diners from its grandstands for $35 to $50, depending on the night, but also has dining-room windows fronting the route.

"I can't think of too many spaces where you can actually sit in a restaurant and have that nice bottle of burgundy, that nice meal, and then just sit there and just watch the parades go by," said chef and owner Donald Link. "It's a neat experience."

Link said this will be the restaurant's 14th Mardi Gras, and after experimenting with buffets, special menus and scaled-back menus, what works best is regular dinner service inside with the option of stand-viewing outside. That means the opportunity to indulge in Herbsaint standards such as duck confit and dirty rice, beef short ribs with potato cakes and gumbo — all while taking in the Carnival revelry.

"We serve our wine in the right glasses, and nothing changes," Link said. "It's the experience you want to come here for any night of the year."

Like several restaurants, Herbsaint is closed on Mardi Gras (March 4 this year), but most downtown parades happen in the days and weeks before the holiday. Zulu, Rex and two other clubs, known as krewes, parade on Carnival day. More than 30 others are scheduled through Lundi Gras, the Monday before Mardi Gras, including the star-studded Bacchus, Endymion, Muses and Orpheus parades.

"It's a busy time for us, but it's a fun time," said Anthony Scanio, chef de cuisine at Emeril's Delmonico, which is owned by celebrity chef Emeril Lagasse and is also located along the St. Charles route. There, patrons can watch parades from the main dining area while enjoying a fine meal with some Carnival-inspired touches, such as a Mardi Gras "king's cup" cocktail and king cake doughnuts sprinkled with Carnival colors of purple, green and gold.

The menu also includes Louisiana delicacies such as spicy cream cheese boudin (sausage) balls, chicken and andouille gumbo and veal braciolone with spaghetti and New Orleans red gravy.

The Brennan family-owned Palace Cafe, which is toward the end of the route where St. Charles turns onto Canal Street, offers fine dining with three levels of parade views.

"We're known for our crabmeat cheesecake, our andouille-crusted fish and of course the white chocolate bread pudding," said Wesley Janssen, spokeswoman for the restaurant. "That's what people come here for. The views are a bonus."

Near the start of the route is Superior Seafood, which opened two years ago serving Louisiana seafood favorites such as raw and charbroiled oysters, oysters wrapped in bacon, seafood gumbo and shrimp and oyster po'boys. It's on the corner where floats and marching bands turn from Napoleon Avenue onto St. Charles, fronting the parade route on two sides. It was designed with Mardi Gras in mind, said Aimee Rowland, the restaurant's event planner.

"It's a crazy corner, so we tried to set things up to accommodate as many people as possible," she said. The restaurant boasts an oyster bar and two patios with seating at ground level as well as a large balcony that can accommodate up to 150 patrons upstairs.

A bit farther down the St. Charles route is Superior Seafood's sister-restaurant Superior Grill, a Mexican-style restaurant. To accommodate more patrons on Mardi Gras, stools are removed to make room at the long bar inside, and a walk-up bar is set up outside. The restaurant hires a disc jockey to entertain between parades, and grandstands are available for rent outside.

But the big draw is the food. The menu includes full meals of enchiladas and fajitas or easy-go options such as burgers and nachos. A favorite is brisket, marinated in a seasoned dry-rub for 24 hours before being cooked and served in quesadillas, flautas and nachos. On busy parade days, they tend to run out, said McKinley Eastman, managing partner at the restaurant since its opening in 1997.

"We can't make our brisket as fast as we sell it," Eastman said. "But we'd rather run out than cut corners and make a less quality product, even for Mardi Gras."

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Making Mardi Gras taste a little more like home

By Alison Ladman
Associated Press

The sad fact of the matter is, most of us won't make it to New Orleans to celebrate Mardi Gras. But that's no reason to forsake some of the city's classic cuisine.

This year, honor Mardi Gras by making jambalaya at home. It's the perfect dish for out-of-towners; it's easy, it's weeknight- and kid-friendly, and it's extremely versatile. Because while there are several basic approaches to jambalaya — Creole and Cajun among them — there really are endless variations on this dish of rice, meat and seafood.

So we decided to put a local spin on jambalaya, with variations playing up ingredients drawn from New England, the Southwest and the West Coast. Just follow the base recipe, adding in the local ingredients of your choice (see the variations below the recipe). And don't hesitate to mix and match. The beauty of a dish like this is that it will be delicious pretty much whichever direction you head.

JAMBALAYA ACROSS THE COUNTRY
Start to finish: 1 hour
Servings: 12

This is a have-it-your-way approach to jambalaya. Follow the base recipe below, adding the local variations where indicated. Our suggestions for those variations are listed below the base recipe, but feel free to substitute the ingredients of your choice.

2 tablespoons vegetable oil
2 large yellow onions, diced
1 large green bell pepper, diced
2 stalks celery, diced
1/2 teaspoon red pepper flakes
1 pound sausage (see below)
1 pound boneless, skinless chicken thighs, cut into 2-inch pieces
2 cups crushed fire-roasted tomatoes
Regional variation of vegetable and seasonings (see below)
2 cups long-grain white rice, such as basmati
2 quarts low-sodium chicken broth
3 bay leaves
1 pound seafood (see below)
Salt and ground black pepper

In a large Dutch oven, preferably cast-iron, over medium-high, heat the vegetable oil. Add the onions, green pepper, celery, red pepper flakes and sausage (see below). Cook, stirring, until browned, about 10 minutes.

Add the chicken, tomatoes, vegetable and seasonings (see below), rice, chicken broth and bay leaves. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat to a simmer. Cover and cook for 20 minutes, or until the rice is tender, stirring occasionally. Add the seafood and cook for another 5 to 10 minutes, or until the seafood is cooked through. Season with salt and pepper. Remove and discard the bay leaves before serving.

NEW ENGLAND VARIATION:
Use bulk breakfast-style sausage. For the vegetables and seasonings use 2 tablespoons minced fresh sage, 1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley, 1 large sweet potato, peeled and diced, and 1/2 bunch of Swiss chard, chopped. For the seafood, use lobster meat if available, otherwise use peeled and deveined raw shrimp.

Nutrition information per serving: 360 calories; 100 calories from fat (28 percent of total calories); 11 g fat (2.5 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 85 mg cholesterol; 36 g carbohydrate; 2 g fiber; 2 g sugar; 26 g protein; 500 mg sodium.

SOUTHWEST VARIATION:
Use a diced spicy sausage, such as chorizo. For the vegetables and seasonings use 1 tablespoon chili powder, 2 teaspoons cumin, 1 cup frozen or canned corn kernels, 1 minced chipotle pepper plus 1 tablespoon adobo sauce from a can of chipotles in adobo, and a 3.8-ounce can sliced black olives. Omit the seafood and instead use a 15-ounce can of drained and rinsed black beans. Finish with 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro.

Nutrition information per serving: 450 calories; 180 calories from fat (40 percent of total calories); 20 g fat (6 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 65 mg cholesterol; 42 g carbohydrate; 5 g fiber; 2 g sugar; 24 g protein; 810 mg sodium.

WEST COAST VARIATION:
Use 12 ounces of an herbed chicken or turkey sausage, along with 4 ounces chopped prosciutto. In place of the crushed tomatoes, use a 6.35-ounce container of prepared pesto and a 14-ounce can of artichoke hearts (drained), the zest and juice of 1 orange and 1 lemon, and 2 tablespoons chopped fresh tarragon. Use lump crabmeat for the seafood. Serve topped with sliced avocado.

Nutrition information per serving: 450 calories; 170 calories from fat (38 percent of total calories); 18 g fat (4 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 105 mg cholesterol; 39 g carbohydrate; 4 g fiber; 3 g sugar; 31 g protein; 1,050 mg sodium.

Leftover baking items can be used in 'everything' cookies

Dear Heloise: Every year around the holidays, I bake. I always end up with bits of baking items left over that I never use (example: oatmeal, chocolate chips, coconut, graham-cracker crumbs, brown sugar, powdered sugar, etc.). None of it is enough to make anything, and I eventually end up throwing it out. If I make something else, I have to buy more of the same ingredients, and again I am left with bits of this and that. Any ideas on what I can do? — A Reader, via email

One of the easiest ways to use up those bits and pieces is to add them to a packaged cake or cookie mix, or, even better, make "everything" cookie bars! Use your favorite sugar-cookie recipe (or prepackaged dough) and make a crust in a baking pan. Then spread your leftover toppings, add some melted butter to help bind it together a bit, bake and enjoy! Simple, easy and inexpensive! — Heloise

HINTS FROM HELOISE
King Features Syndicate

KEEP OFF
Dear Heloise: Whenever I make deviled eggs, I insert toothpicks in a few of the outer eggs and one in the center once they are arranged on the serving dish. I am then able to put plastic wrap on top without the egg filling sticking to it.

This also works with a cake, cupcakes or any food item that could potentially stick to the plastic wrap. A few toothpicks are all you need to keep the plastic wrap off the food. — Jenna H. in Ohio

FRESH COCONUT
Dear Heloise: Please, please, please tell your readers to remove the fiber husk before placing coconut in the oven. (Heloise here: From a previous column, placing coconut in the oven is a step in getting the meat out). Years ago, newly married, I had a recipe calling for fresh coconut. My mom had always baked coconuts, but somehow I never noticed that she removed the husk.

Do you know how embarrassing it is to explain to the fire department that your coconut is on fire? After quite a bit of laughter, I was told to remove it from the oven using potholders, place it in the sink and run water over it. — Colleen H. in Texas

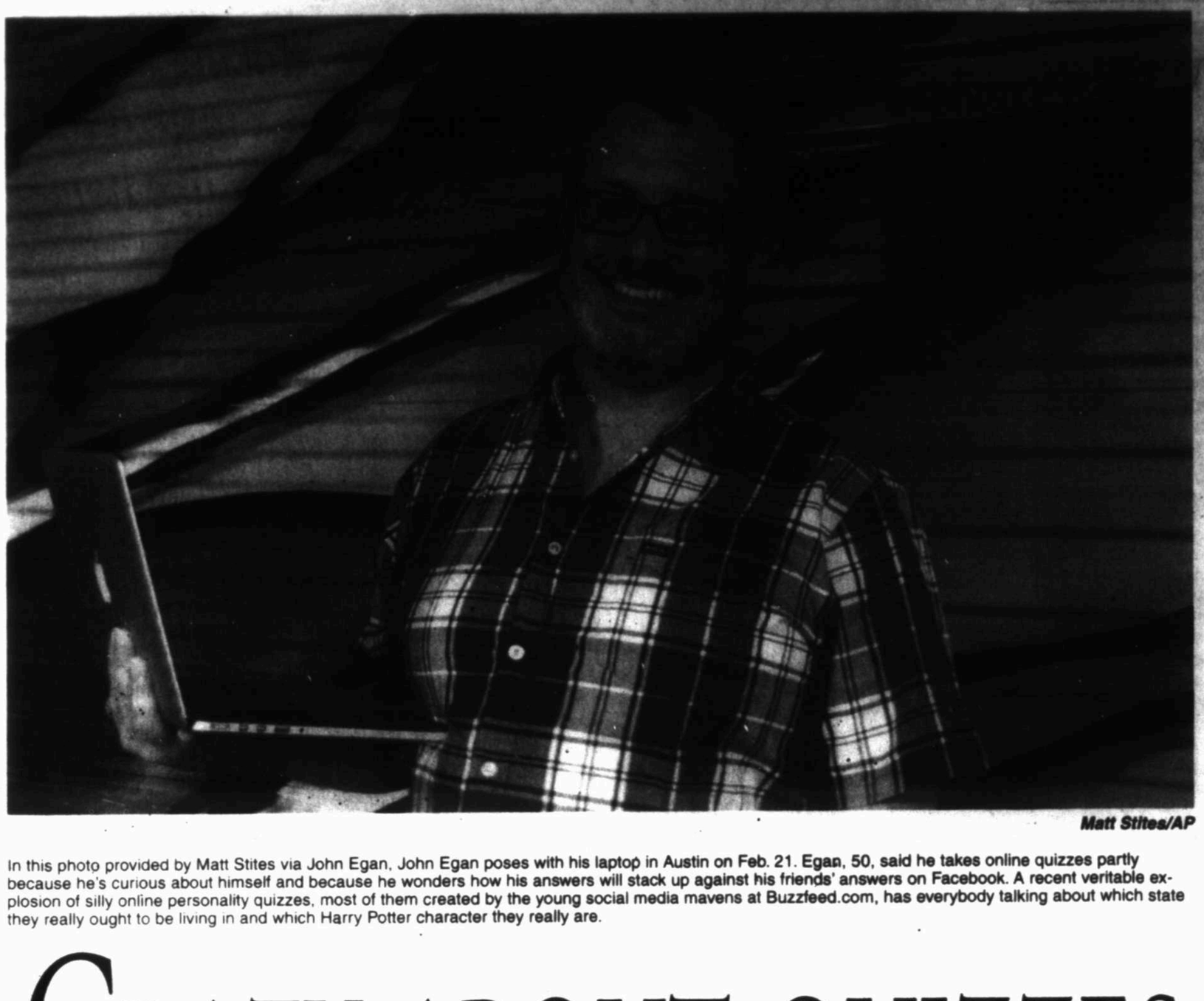
Oh, Colleen, it's a great story to tell now, but I am sure it was scary! Thank you for the reminder. Readers, remove the husk before placing a coconut in the oven. — Heloise

SUGAR HINT
Dear Heloise: Instead of regular, granulated sugar, can I substitute brown sugar in recipes? — Leah M. in Colorado

Yes, you can substitute the equal amount of brown sugar for regular sugar in recipes. All it will do is add a hint of molasses flavoring to your dish. — Heloise

TACO SHELL
Dear Heloise: For those who have problems with taco shells breaking, here's what we do in Texas: Fold a soft tortilla around the crisp shell, and not only do you keep your taco intact, but you get a delicious soft taco as well! — Ruth Anne H. in Texas

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In this photo provided by Matt Stites via John Egan, John Egan poses with his laptop in Austin on Feb. 21. Egan, 50, said he takes online quizzes partly because he's curious about himself and because he wonders how his answers will stack up against his friends' answers on Facebook. A recent veritable explosion of silly online personality quizzes, most of them created by the young social media mavens at Buzzfeed.com, has everybody talking about which state they really ought to be living in and which Harry Potter character they really are.

CRAZY ABOUT QUIZZES

'Which (blank) are you?' Online quizzes go viral

By Meghan Barr
Associated Press

NEW YORK — For a compulsive online quiz-taker like Chrissy Noh, the temptation was too great to resist: "Which sandwich are you?"

After answering a series of unscientific, seemingly unrelated questions, which included selecting her favorite doughnut from a lineup of frosted pastries, she had her answer (grilled cheese, for the record). And she's not the only one who's comparing herself to sandwiches lately. Go on, admit it: Chances are, you've been doing it, too.

A recent explosion of silly online personality quizzes, most of them created by the young social media mavens at Buzzfeed.com, has everybody talking about which state they really ought to be living in and which Harry Potter character they really are. Buzzfeed said the quizzes are smashing traffic records and generating more Facebook comment threads than any viral posts in the site's history.

Experts said the phenomenon isn't surprising given the age-old fascination with that central question — "Who AM I?" — and a desire to compare ourselves with others in a social media-obsessed society.

On a recent snowy day, the 37-year-old Noh, who lives in New York City, admitted that she and several friends spent the afternoon taking quizzes and texting each other screen shots of the results. "It turned into an all-day group text message fest, where it was just picture after picture of, oh, what rapper are you?" she said, laughing. "What career should you actually have? Which sandwich are you? Which member of One Direction should you marry?"

Personality quizzes have been around for decades, gracing the covers of women's and teen magazines with questions designed to lure us in. Nor are they new to the Internet, where online quizzes can be found aplenty on sites such as Zimbio.com, among others. But the recent wave of quiz popularity can be traced directly to Buzzfeed's New York City headquarters, where a team of about 100 content creators have been producing one to five quizzes every single day for the past two months.

The most popular quiz — "Which State Do You Actually Belong In?" — has generated about 41 million page views.

"For our most viral quizzes, the results have to be meaningful in some way," said Summer Burton, BuzzFeed's managing editorial director. "It's not that they are scientific. It's just that what they say means something to people as far as their own identity."

A QUIZ FOR EVERYONE

A scroll through the "QUIZZES" page on Buzzfeed.com reveals a bewildering assortment, many infused with pop culture references. Which celebrity cat are you? Which pop diva? Which "Girls" character? What career should you actually have? Which generation do you actually belong in? What kind of dog would you be?

The intense push to pump out as many quizzes as possible started a couple of months ago after Buzzfeed editors realized that a quiz called "Which 'Grease' Pink Lady are you?" ranked among the most-trafficked posts of 2013. Then, in mid-January, a quiz called "Which city should you actually live in?" went viral, and the whole venture just took off like wildfire, Burton said.

The ability to create a quiz was encoded into Buzzfeed's in-house content management system a little more than a year ago. Essentially any staff member has the autonomy to create one. There are no specific rules regarding quiz-making, but each one follows the same age-old general format: You start with the results and work backward based on general personality traits that go with each answer.

"If you take a 'Parks and Rec' quiz and you get Leslie Knope, then you're very enthusiastic," Burton said. "It's almost like you pick three or four adjectives, and then those kind of go into figuring out what the answers for each question are going to be. And assigning them to a result."

Staff members generate the quiz ideas themselves and create the entire thing on their own, though they do receive an edit and feedback before the quizzes are published. "We hire really creative people and kind of tell them to run wild," Burton said.

The trick to creating an addictive personality quiz is similar to the art of writing a good horoscope. It has to be broad and all-encompassing yet make people believe the answer applies to them personally. We know there's little substance to them, and yet we can't seem to stop taking them.

What makes these online quizzes so alluring is that they can be instantaneously shared with hundreds of friends on Facebook for instant feedback, said Denise Friedman, who teaches psychology at Roanoke College in Salem, Va.

"In our age, we're constantly reflecting on who we are, and technology has really changed the way we interact," Friedman said. "I think we are constantly engaging in social comparison and thinking about where we stand."

'A WAY TO KILL TIME'

John Egan, 50, who lives in Austin, said he gets sucked into the quizzes partly because he's curious about himself — and because he wonders how his answers will stack up against his Facebook friends. But the quizzes have little staying power in his brain.

"There was one recently about what state you should be living in. Honestly, I don't remember what state I got," he said. "Which says something about these quizzes. That it's kind of this momentary thrill, if you will, and then you move on. And it's like a shiny object: 'Oh — there's another quiz!'"

The quizzes are overwhelmingly upbeat and lighthearted in nature, a calculated decision by the people engineering them. After all, they're designed to be an affirmation of how you see yourself, not an assessment of who you really are.

"Quizzes are an investment of someone's time," Burton said. "So it feels like it would almost be mean for someone to go through the process of taking the quiz and have it say, 'You're really cynical and negative and nobody likes being around you.' The ideal is that the qualities are specific enough that it feels personal, but they're also a compliment."

And you can take them over and over until you get the answer that validates your own assumptions about yourself. Noh said she may have (ahem) taken the "Which rapper are you?" quiz quite a few times until she was satisfied with the result.

"I kept getting Eminem, which I was unhappy about," she said. "I was like, 'I really want Kanye, so I'm gonna answer these questions until I get Kanye West.'"

But will people eventually burn out on these things? Is there such a thing as one Beyonce quiz too many?

"They don't alienate anyone. They're a way to kill time. They're fun," said Laura Portwood-Stacer, who teaches media culture and communication at New York University. "Once the novelty of the interface and the results wear off, the trend might dip a bit. But I do think this kind of impulse won't necessarily go away. It might just take a different form."

Ultimately, the quizzes offer a superficial way to connect with distant friends and allow people to share personal information without compromising their own privacy, said Gwendolyn Seidman, an assistant professor of psychology at Albright College in Reading, Pa. In other words, taking a Buzzfeed quiz is like driving through a fast-food drive-through on the Internet.

"Those questions are easier to answer than a real personality test," Seidman said. "It's very easy to say, 'This is the candy that I like, this is the movie that I like.' You can turn it into some information about yourself — without actually doing the hard work of really thinking hard about yourself."

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Using check-cashing company not financially smart move

DAVE RAMSEY



DEAR DAVE: I know you hate payday loan companies. Do you feel the same way about check-cashing companies? — Brian

DEAR BRIAN: Check-cashing companies are not a good deal, but they're nowhere near as bad as payday lenders. All check-cashing businesses do is charge a fee to cash a check.

Honestly, it's kind of silly to me that places such as this can make money when all you have to do is walk into a bank and open an account. But there's a percentage of our population that people in financial circles call "unbanked." This means they avoid banks for whatever reason, but in the process they leave themselves susceptible to bad deals such as this.

So I don't feel the same way about check-cashing companies as I do about payday lenders. It's still not a financially smart move to pay a storefront operation a fee just to cash a check, but these businesses aren't nearly as abusive as payday lenders.

DEAR DAVE: My 6-year-old son has saved up $400. He said he wants to buy a motorcycle with it someday, but he recently changed his mind and wants to buy a computer tablet. Is it OK for him to change his mind like this, and how should I handle things? — Christina

DEAR CHRISTINA: I'm not really concerned whether it's a motorcycle or a tablet, especially if he's saved his own money. I think the big thing we're looking for in all this is a teachable moment.

Certainly regret is a concern, especially with a kid so young. But the reality is that neither the decision nor the possible regret afterward will ruin his life. If you talk to him and try to advise him beforehand, and he gets upset later because he feels as if he made the wrong choice, it gives you the opportunity to step in and gently say, "I'm sorry you think you made a bad choice, but that's why I wanted you to really think about it first. You had a chance to listen to mom's wisdom and didn't. I'm sorry you feel sad now, but I want you to remember it and learn something from this bad decision." It's a process of controlled pain and natural consequences.

One of my daughters did something similar years ago when we went to an amusement park. All the kids had a set amount of money for the day, and we warned them not to spend it too soon. She turned around and blew all her money on carnival games, then she spent the rest of the day whining while her brother and sister rode the rides and had lots of fun. We didn't give her any more money, but a controlled amount of pain taught her some valuable lessons that day. She learned to listen to her mom and dad, she learned that carnival games are a rip-off, and she learned to control herself a little bit and think things through.

Allowing kids the emotional dignity of making some decisions for themselves is vitally important. You just have to make sure this liberty is supervised and comes with parental warnings and protections. Just because they saved the money doesn't mean they can do whatever they want. It still has to be used in a way that you, as a parent, are comfortable with and deem appropriate.

There will be some natural tension in the process, but it's a great way to teach kids about money, decision making, maturity and life choices!

A common winter hazard: frozen pipes in your home

By Carole Feldman
Associated Press

It's a telltale sign: you turn on the faucet and ... nothing.

With record cold in much of the nation this winter, many homeowners have had (or will have) to deal with pipes freezing — and then bursting.

Winter storm-related insurance losses "will be more this year due to the extreme cold and the breadth of the territory that is being affected by it," said Peter Foley, vice president of claims for the American Insurance Association. Those losses, which include damage from frozen pipes, total about $1.4 billion a year on average, according to the Insurance Information Institute.

People unaccustomed to extreme, prolonged cold, especially those in the South, are particularly vulnerable, said Robert Hartwig, the institute's president.

"There's a lack of awareness of the fact that a pipe could freeze and what to do about it," he said. For instance, they may not shut off the water to outside faucets, and their homes may have less insulation.

Damage from a burst pipe can vary greatly, depending on how long the water runs unabated.

Some tips on how to protect against frozen pipes, and what to do if one does freeze:

Before the freeze

Water freezes at 32 degrees Fahrenheit, so keep your thermostat significantly higher than that. "You should never turn it below 55," Foley said.

You might leave the water dripping a little bit, advised Ken Collier, editor-in-chief of The Family Handyman.

"That just keeps enough water moving in the pipe so it's less likely to freeze," he said. "If there is some freezing, there is some give in the system because the faucet is open a little bit."

Collier also suggested getting warmer, room-temperature air to where the pipes are. That can be as simple as opening the cabinets under the kitchen sink, especially if the sink is on an exterior wall. "In some cases, a fan can help with that," he said.

Similarly, if pipes run through a crawl space, using a fan to blow in warmer air from the house's interior might help, he said.

Better insulation is the ultimate fix, Collier said, but getting to the pipes can be tricky because it often means breaking through walls.

When a pipe freezes

Do frozen pipes always burst? "You can get lucky," Collier said.

"Once it's frozen, the damage is done," he said. "Some kinds of pipes break easier than others when the water inside freezes."

Copper pipes are said to be more vulnerable.

It may seem obvious, but there are two clear ways to know if a pipe has frozen.

"A sign of a frozen pipe is you have no water," Foley said.

The other sign: flooding. That can happen when the burst pipe starts to thaw out and the water begins flowing again.

If the break is in an exposed piece of pipe, it may mean a flooded basement floor. If it's in a piece that's not exposed, the water could seep through a wall.

It's critical that homeowners know how to shut off the water to the entire house; that's "usually the only way to get the water pressure off the frozen place," Collier said.

Yes, it can be an inconvenience — you can't take a shower or wash the dishes. You can only flush the toilets once. But it's the best way to prevent further damage, he said.

What's next?

Call a plumber, unless you have the skills and confidence to do the repair yourself.

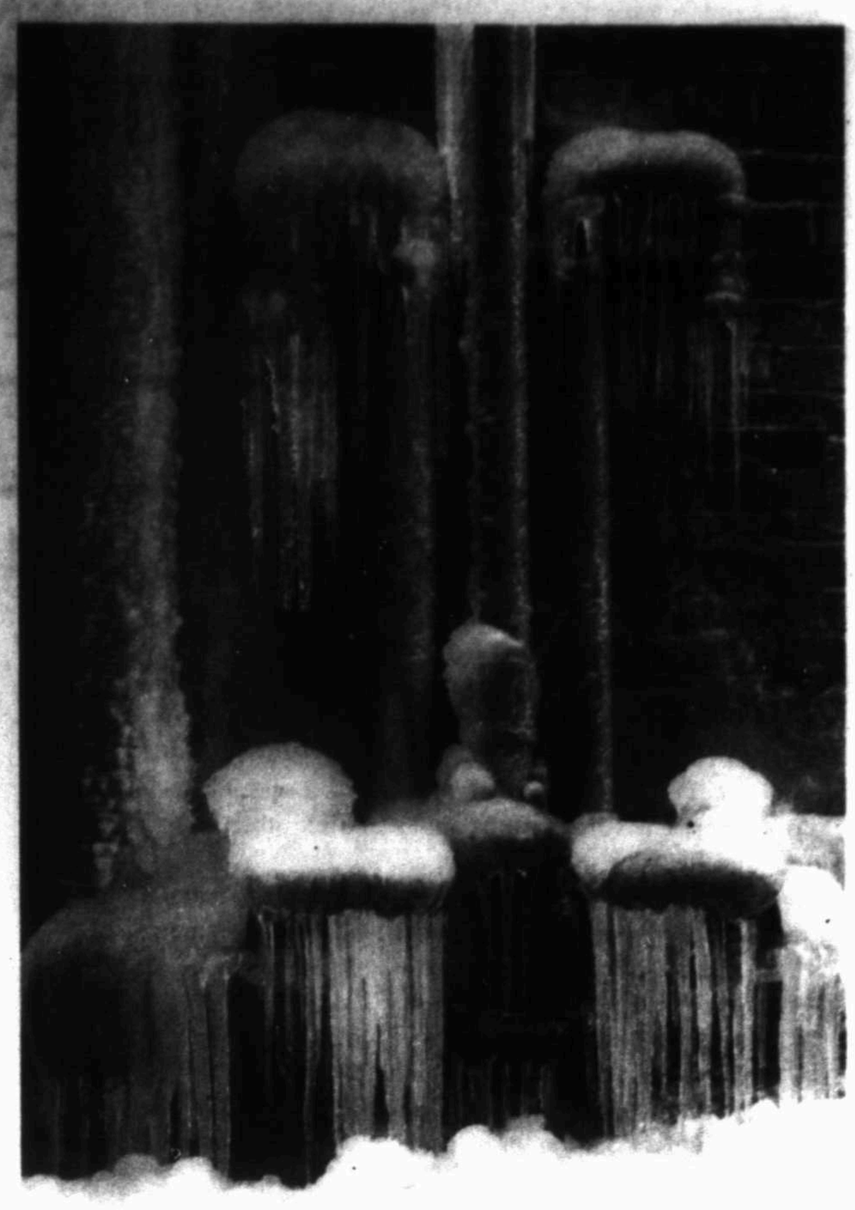
A temporary fix might involve cutting away the damaged piece of pipe and replacing it with a rubber hose and clamps until the plumber gets there. The degree of difficulty could depend on how accessible the pipe is.

There also are various tapes and putties that might temporarily close the break.

And call your insurance agent. Homeowners policies generally cover damage related to pipes that freeze and burst.

"The repair of the pipe might be a few hundred dollars," Hartwig said. "The real issue comes in if the leak damages ceilings, floors, furniture, carpeting, electrical work that might be in the wall."

The average claim is about $5,000, according to Foley.



Ice coats leaking pipes in a downtown Cleveland alley, in Ohio in this 2011 photo. With much of the nation gripped in record cold at some point this winter, homeowners have had to deal with pipes freezing, and then bursting. Damage from a burst pipe can vary greatly, depending on the amount of time that the water runs unabated.

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Right at Home: bright ideas for outdoor furniture

By Kim Cook
Associated Press

Earthy hues that blend into the landscape tend to dominate the outdoor furniture market. Understated woods, metals and cushions are easy-to-incorporate neutral elements.

But outdoor spaces also offer the chance to be more adventurous than we are inclined to be indoors.

Maybe bolder balconies and peppier patios on your redecorating radar?

"Vibrant color has dominated the home furnishings arena since last fall, and after an unusually cold winter, the time's ripe for bright color to become a focus for our outdoor spaces. Color is a great energizer," said Jackie Hirchhault, marketing vice president for the American Home Furnishings Alliance, based in High Point, N.C.

Aimee Beatty, in-house stylist at Pier 1, said lively outdoor pieces give people a way to make a statement: "Incorporating pops of color with furniture and accessories adds personality and flare."

She suggests adding a colorful bench to the patio to coordinate with a more traditional or neutral dining set. "One new piece is a simple, budget-friendly way to make a big impact," she said.

"Brightly colored furniture is also a quick way to punch up a small space," she said. A bistro table and chairs in playful hues sets the stage, and you don't need much more than a few additional pieces to create an inviting space, even if it's a tiny terrace.

Pier 1's Paris-inspired Neely Bistro Set comes in red or peacock blue rust-resistant cast aluminum. Frontgate's powder-coated aluminum side and bar chairs in fresh colors such as aqua and melon come in whimsical designs such as curlicues and floral motifs.

The Rock Point acacia wood bench can be had in red, marine blue or dandelion yellow, and has the added benefit of being foldable for off-season storage. Synthetic rattan chairs are weather resistant and come in an array of clean, crisp brights such as ocean, purple, orange and yellow. (www.pier1.com)

Z Gallerie's Madison garden stool comes in gold for a touch of metallic flair. You'll also find the Mimosa lantern, featuring a filigreed Moroccan motif in mandarin, white, lemon and aquamarine. (www.zgallerie.com)

A patio umbrella is a quick and inexpensive style changer. Start the party by setting up Hayneedle's shaggy acrylic Palapa umbrella, a 6-foot-wide hula skirt on a pole with thatched strips of acrylic in lime, whiskey, raspberry pink or lemon yellow. (www.hayneedle.com)

Walmart's got a well-priced basic market umbrella that can be had in a fresh sunny orange, deep green or canary yellow. (www.walmart.com)

Grandin Road's op-arty Lulu planter in a loopy black-and-white graphic would be an exclamation point to colorful outdoor furniture. Their Sea Life collection of outdoor pillows includes stylized starfish and sand dollars in brilliant hues. (www.grandinroad.com)

Usable as either planters or beverage receptacles, LED-embedded resin GardenGlo containers provide glowing illumination in a range of colors. (www.gardenica.com)

Consider adding a few glowing orbs to the garden, pool, pathway or anywhere you'd fancy ambient light. A remote control lets you run through a variety of soft colors or switch to just white. They'll last eight hours on one battery charge. (www.frontgate.com)

Seattle-based designer Nicole Ketchum creates lightweight acrylic chandeliers in 11 colors that can be hung from trees, deck roofs or anywhere you'd like. Choose a faux ornate pattern or an octopus. (www.chandelierbynk.com)

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KIPP (Knowledge Is Power Program) announced today that it will partner with The University of Texas of the Permian Basin (UTPB) in an effort to increase college completion rates for underserved KIPP students nationwide.

"UTPB is excited to partner with KIPP," said David Watts, president of UTPB. "We offer a quality education at a price that can't be beat. Financial aid and scholarships cover most costs for KIPP students and all other high school students who are qualified and want to go to college."

With this partnership, UTPB seeks to recruit and enroll 3-5 KIPP alumni for the 2013-14 academic year and 5-7 each year thereafter. UTPB will support KIPP alumni throughout their time on campus, and address the full financial need of all KIPP alumni who enroll at UTPB.

The school will work with students who qualify to help them apply for the Falcon Promise scholarship as part of their financial aid package.

KIPP has four regions in the state of Texas. There are 21 KIPP schools in Houston, nine in Austin, four in San Antonio, and two in Dallas-Fort Worth. Combined, these schools serve nearly 14,000 students in grades PreK-12, most of whom are African-American or Latino and qualify as low-income under federal guidelines.

KIPP Houston, KIPP Austin, KIPP San Antonio, and KIPP Dallas-Fort Worth are part of a national network of 141 KIPP public charter schools. A report released this year by independent research firm Mathematica showed that KIPP middle schools nationwide are producing positive, significant and substantial achievement gains for students in all grades and four subjects—math, reading, science, and social studies.

Mathematica researchers found that KIPP achieved these academic gains with students that entered middle school with lower achievement scores than their peers in neighboring district schools.

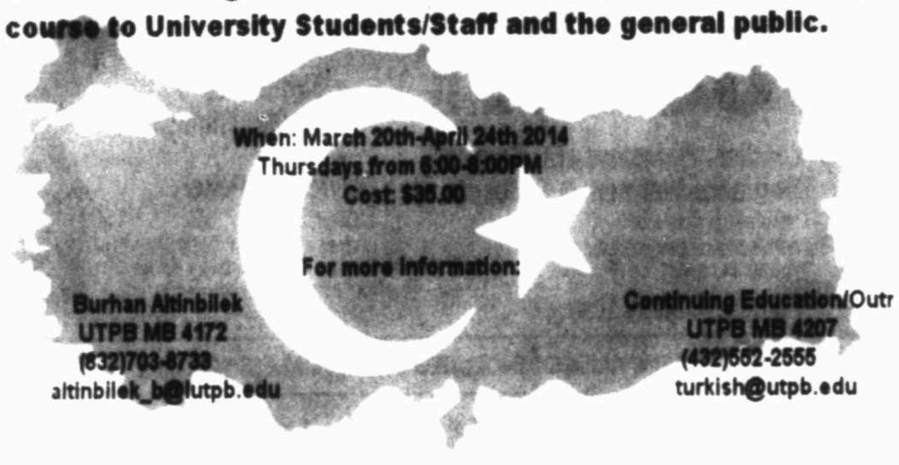
"I'm thrilled to see all four KIPP regions in the Lone Star state come together in partnership with University of Texas of the Permian Basin," said Mike Feinberg, co-founder of KIPP. "President Watts has been a true champion for our KIPPsters, from providing book scholarships to students, to orchestrating a 'fly in program' that brings accepted students to campus and gives them a taste of what UTPB has to offer."

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Bombardier Business Park at 1788 and Loop 40.

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FROM STAFF REPORTS

Schramm expands into Houston to serve shale production

WEST CHESTER, Pa. — Schramm, Inc., a manufacturer of mobile, land-based hydraulic drill rigs used extensively in the global energy industry, has appointed Kelly Shideler to the newly created position of Oil & Gas Business Development manager based in Houston. His responsibilities will include the energy sector in the South Central Region of the United States including key areas of shale development in Texas, Oklahoma, Louisiana, New Mexico and Arkansas. He will report to Peter Christian, vice president Oil & Gas.

Shideler's primary focus will be the upstream deployment of Schramm Telemast drill rigs. He brings more than a decade of oil and gas experience to Schramm.

Apache announces executive reorganization

HOUSTON — Apache Corporation announces several changes to its executive organization:

Roger Plank, president and chief corporate officer, has elected to retire after nearly 33 years at Apache.

Alfonso Leon, senior vice president and chief of staff, has been appointed executive vice president and chief financial officer, reporting to G. Steven Farris, chairman, chief executive officer and president. Leon will lead Apache's financial, commercial, stakeholder relations, planning and strategy functions. Leon has been senior vice president and chief of staff since 2012. He joined Apache in 2009 and has led the evolution of the company's planning, strategy and investor relations functions.

Tom Chambers will assume the new position of senior vice president, Finance. Chambers joined Apache in 1995 as director of Corporate Planning before being appointed vice president of Corporate Planning in 2001. He was appointed vice president of Planning and Investor Relations in 2009 before assuming the role of chief financial officer in 2010 during an unprecedented period of Apache's growth.

Apache also announced the appointment of Amy H. Nelson to its board of directors. She is president and founder of Greenridge Advisors, LLC, an energy services and equipment consulting firm focused on the development, execution and financing of growth strategies.

First building in Bombardier Business Park nearing completion

By Cale Ottens
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Crews are putting the finishing touches on the first of several buildings within the Bombardier Business Park near the Midland International Airport.

The business development sits about a quarter mile away from the main entrance to the airport and is slated to house several industrial buildings, retail stores and restaurants, office buildings, a gas station and potentially a hotel, according to Shan Moon, the project manager for Don Evans Group.

The first building, an industrial building, should be completely finished within the next week or two and is now available for sale or lease, Moon said.

The 12,000-square-foot structure was built on speculation, meaning it was not constructed with a specific tenant in mind, but Moon said he expects a company within the oil industry will most likely occupy the space.

About 2,500 square feet is office space, including seven individual offices and another room that could either serve as a conference room or an eighth office.

Rob Hunthnance, the managing director with Avera Companies, would not disclose the cost of construction and added that the sale price of the building and land will be based on the future tenant's credit score, term of the lease it desires and the level of improvements the company plans to invest in the space.

"We made a substantial commitment to the project, so we're looking for a company to make a nice commitment to the building," Hunthnance said.

Greenway Investment Company is also partnering with Avera Companies and the Don Evans Group to develop the business complex, which borders Farm-to-Market Road 1788 and Loop 40.

The business park's close proximity to the airport is a major selling point for the project, Moon said.

"The airport is nice because most of the companies moving in here are from out of town," he said. "People can get in and out pretty quick."

The land was purchased from the family of Dr. Charles Younger, who came to Midland in 1941 as World War II was just starting, Moon said. The land was used at that time as a bombing range for young bombardiers who were in the Tall City to practice before heading off to war, he said.

"This is where they would come to perfect their craft," Moon said.

To honor the bombardiers who came to Midland before leaving to fight for the U.S. during the war, the developers decided to name the complex "Bombardier Business Park." They also plan to add more roads through the 90-acre development and will continue with the Air Force theme, giving the roads names like "Zamperini Drive," for instance.

The group plans to start constructing the next building right after the first one is either bought or leased out, Moon said.

Joshua Mims, a real estate agent with LMB Real Estate Group, said he expects the first building to go fast, noting the low supply and high demand for office and industrial space in Midland.

"It's completely an owners' market," Mims said.

In total, the project developers expect to have more than 20 spaces available to build industrial buildings and between five and 10 lots dedicated to retail, restaurants or office space, he said.

The business complex will also include build-to-suit projects, which allow companies to dictate how the building will be designed so it can be catered specifically to them, Moon said. It typically takes about six months to completely construct a building, he added.

Txpress Urgent Care plans March opening



MELLA MCEWEN
Reporter-Telegram oil editor

Coming in mid-March will be Txpress Urgent Care, to be located at 2304 W. Michigan Ave.

The state-of-the-art urgent care clinic, owned by Dr. Choi, a physician in Midland Memorial's emergency room the last seven years, will be able treat minor conditions up to fractures and dislocations, major lacerations, minor amputations, even asthma attacks.

"The only way we'll send you to the ER is if it's a stroke or a major heart attack," said Dr. Kim Willis, a five-year veteran of the emergency room. He said nurses at the clinic will be emergency room certified nurses.

When Txpress opens its doors in mid-March it will immediately be able to offer laboratory services, with a CT Scan expected in April and X-ray machine by May. When the clinic is up and running, it will have the capability of putting casts on broken limbs, stitching up wounds, treating abdominal pain and performing ultrasounds, Willis said.

Hours will be 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. The phone number will be 695-6932.

Jersey Mike's Subs of Odessa, just opened at 7270 E. Highway 191, will be partnering with the West Texas Food Bank for Jersey Mike's fourth annual Month of Giving campaign during the month of March.

Jersey Mike's is in the process of putting in a Midland location in the Cornerstone Shopping Center, 4400 N. Midland Drive at the intersection of Midland Drive and Loop 250.

During March, customers can make donations to the West Texas Food Bank when they visit the Jersey Mike's Odessa location. The monthlong campaign will culminate with a "Day of Giving" on March 26, during which 100 percent of the day's sales at all Jersey Mike's locations nationwide will be given to more than 100 different charities, ranging from hospitals to youth organizations to food banks to more. On that day, the Odessa Jersey Mike's will donate its day's sales to the West Texas Food Bank.

Last year's Month of Giving campaign raised $1.7 million for 86 different charities nationwide. Since 2010, Jersey Mike's locations throughout the country have raised nearly $7.5 million for worthy local causes and distributed more than 600,000 free sub sandwiches to help numerous causes. The goal this year is to raise more than $2 million.

BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits Feb. 3-Feb. 21

2204 Stanolind Ave.	Residential Addition	$50,000
1302 Silverton Drive	New Residence	$274,090
501 S. Loop 250 W.	Swimming Pool	$85,000
200 Mitchell St.	New Residence	$127,080
626 Memorial Court	New Residence	$187,000
629 Memorial Court	New Residence	$184,000
630 Memorial Court	New Residence	$136,000
3700 N. CR 1247	Swimming Pool	$34,000
3419 Caldera Blvd.	Commercial Alteration	$30,000
6300 Homestead Blvd.	Swimming Pool	$48,000
2009 Harvard Ave.	Residential Alteration	$20,000
2301 Seaboard Ave.	Residence-Detached	$2,900
5509 San Clemente Dr.	New Residence	$222,480
1101 S. Marienfeld St.	Commercial Alteration	$30,000
1007 Clemente Court	Residential Addition	$2,500
6112 Dunbarton Oaks	New Residence	$468,450
314 Charismatic Drive	Residence-Detached	$40,000
1202 Princeton Ave.	Residential Addition	$55,000
912 Alamosa Court	New Residence	$618,030
3 Hawthorne Drive	Swimming Pool	$80,000
1911 Crescent Place	Swimming Pool	$40,000
2203 Stanolind Ave.	Residential Addition	$150,000
3607 Humble Ave.	Residential Addition	$5,000
5521 San Clemente	New Residence	$306,540
3204 Baybridge Court	Residential Addition	$2,500
1123 E. Spurce Ave.	New Residence	$158,300
5819 Rio Grande Ave.	New Residence	$155,520
1320 N. Fairgrounds Rd.	MH-Single Lot	$60,800
1320 N. Fairgrounds Rd	MH-Single Lot	$57,600
1320 N. Fairgrounds Rd	MH-Single Lot	$98,000
1320 N. Fairgrounds Rd	MH-Single Lot	$99,200
1320 N. Fairgrounds Rd	MH-Single Lot	$84,000
1320 N. Fairgrounds Rd	MH-Single Lot	$64,000
1509 Manor Court	Residential Addition	$20,000
109 Cedar Ave.	Fence	$200
2502 Legacy Oaks Ct	New Residence	$295,470
720 N. Lincoln St.	MH-Single Lot	$39,000
3402 W. Kansas Ave.	Residence-Detached	$2,861
607 S. Weatherford St.	Residence-Detached	$250
3511 Trinity Meadows Dr	Residential Addition	$20,000
2604 Callaway Drive	Residential Addition	$15,000
3907 Crestline Ave.	Residential Addition	$40,000
5408 Secretariat Court	Swimming Pool	$27,590
1802 Devonshire Court	Residential Addition	$21,961
2205 Country Club Drive	Residential Addition	$3,024
913 Holly Drive	Residential Addition	$20,000
22 Oaklawn Park	Swimming Pool	$10,000
5008 Quartz Lane	Residential Addition	$4,500
6404 Homestead Blvd.	Swimming Pool	$54,000
4600 N. Garfield St.	Commercial Alteration	$48,980
5715 Camino Reale	New Residence	$206,100
4511 N. Midkiff Rd.	Commercial Alteration	$48,700
2100 Ironwood Drive	New Residence	$484,650
1200 E. Hamby Ave.	New Residence	$86,000
1601 Stanolind Ave.	Residential Alteration	$130,000
106 N. Tilden St.	New Residence	$171,174
1518 S. Terrell St.	Residence-Detached	$3,300
700 S. Marshall St.	Residence-Detached	$11,000
5211 Ellen Jayne Way	New Residence	$266,490
410 Veterans Airpark	New Commercial	$280,000
9 Saddle Club Drive	Residential Alteration	$20,000
5517 San Clemente	New Residence	$205,920
5515 San Clemente	New Residence	$205,920
1122 E. Dormard Ave.	New Residence	$150,000
1516 S. Mineola St.	New Residence	$176,760
4200 W. Wall St.	Commercial Addition	$1,200,000
4612 Gulf Ave.	Residence-Detached	$1,343
2623 Delano Ave.	Fence	$1,200
401 Affirmed Ave.	Swimming Pool	$45,000
2 Willow Court	Residential Alteration	$75,000
1200 Century Drive	Fence	$5,000
3102 Mariana Ave.	Residence-Detached	$1,500
2907 Parton Way	New Residence	$210,510
2805 Parton Way	New Residence	$229,860
4214 Mamies Circle	New Commercial	$2,200,000
3300 Thomas Ave.	Commercial Alteration	$6,000
6405 Bowman Circle	New Residence	$341,440
1207 South St.	Fence	$1,800
1307 South St.	Residence-Detached	$4,020
2008 Keith St.	Residential Addition	$3,000
223 E. Circle Drive	Residence-Detached	$6,000
1305 N. Midland Drive	Sign	$27,738
6003 Pedernales Dirve	New Residence	$172,440
4511 N. Midkiff Road	Commercial Alteration	$194,379
2200 W. Wadley Ave.	Commercial Alteration	$5,000
4610 Holiday Hill Road	New Commercial	$1,500,000
2614 Delano Ave.	Residence-Detached	$2,844
1306 Silverton Drive	New Residence	$294,480
701 W. Indiana Ave.	Sign	$4,500
3806 Tumbleweed Trail	Residence-Detached	$8,000
1303 E. Pecan Ave.	New Residence	$128,520
1402 N. Loop 250 W.	Commercial Alteration	$89,532
908 Trinidad Place	New Residence	$195,300
909 Trinidad Place	New Residence	$212,040
714 Beckley Drive	Residential Addition	$800
1112 Chukar Lane	Residence-Detached	$20,000
6412 Homestead Blvd	New Residence	$433,620
5910 Sabine Drive	New Residence	$232,920
1609 Seaboard Ave.	Swimming Pool	$48,000
5811 Sabine Drive	New Residence	$279,540
4403 San Carlos	New Residence	$207,540
506 S. G St.	Residential Addition	$20,000
4610 N. Garfield St.	Commercial Alteration	$35,000
5505 Casa Grande Trail	New Residence	$216,450
4100 W. Wall St.	Sign	$5,000
110 W. Longview Ave.	Sign	$30,000
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1320 N. Farigrounds Rd	MH-Single Lot	$57,600
1320 N. Fairgrounds Rd	MH-Single Lot	$68,400
1320 N. Fairgrounds Rd	MH-Single Lot	$56,000
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1320 N. Fairgrounds Rd	MH-Single Lot	$46,200
1320 N. Fairgrounds Rd	MH-Single Lot	$57,600
4902 Quartz Lane	Residence-Detached	$2,000
404 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$213,000
410 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$182,000
405 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$195,000
407 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$232,000
412 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$231,000
403 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$195,000
420 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$213,000
4710 Passage Way	New Residence	$265,770
1000 Mays Drive	Residence-Detached	$1,000
418 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$195,000
401 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$182,000
406 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$231,000
416 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$231,000
408 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$187,000
414 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$233,000
508 S. Lincoln St.	New Residence	$108,000
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1500 Tradewinds Blvd	Commercial Alteration	$5,638,808
4306 Coronoado	New Residence	$229,950
2804 Franklin Ave.	Residential Addition	$10,000
5705 Camino Reale	New Residence	$206,000
915 Edwards St.	Residential Addition	$8,000
3809 Placid Court	Residential Alteration	$32,652
2501 Dartmouth Drive	Fence	$10,000
1703 Garden Lane	MH-Single Lot	$2,000
1706 Cherry Lane	MH-Single Lot	$20,000
2001 Culver Drive	Commercial-Detached	$12,000
2705 Kessler Ave.	Residential Addition	$25,000
1 Lakes Drive	Residential Alteration	$40,000
3902 Baybrook Court	Residential Addition	$160,000
5501 Ashwood Court	Swimming Pool	$78,000
400 E. Loop 250 N.	New Commercial	$230,000
400 E. Loop 250 N.	New Commercial	$230,000
3116 W. Front St.	Comercial Addition	$19,800
306 Koufax Court	Residence-Detached	$45,000
202 E. Pecan Ave.	Residential Addition	$3,000

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THE ECONOMIST

Forecast is for continued strong Texas economy



M. RAY PERRYMAN

Over the next five years, we are forecasting relatively strong performance for the Texas economy. The state's large services sector will continue to drive growth, with the smaller (but faster growing) mining sector generating a substantial increment to the expansion. All industrial segments are forecast to experience gains over the next five years (though not all of the smaller industrial categories will benefit and cycles are inevitable). Here's a closer look at what I see happening over the next five years.

Total output (real gross product) in Texas is forecast to expand from $1.3 trillion to $1.6 trillion during the 2013 to 2018 time period. This is a fairly healthy 4.59 percent annual growth rate, which is sufficient to generate a $323.6 billion gain over the short term.

Of that output gain, services industries account for $85.0 billion (26.3 percent of the all-industry total). The services sector now comprises about 22.8 percent of real gross product in the state, and over time this proportion will grow slightly larger.

The next largest gain is projected for the mining sector, with an increase in output of $58.9 billion (18.2 percent of the total). Mining is now less than 10 percent of total output, so the magnitude of this expansion is particularly notable. Most other industry groups are forecast to expand at rates in the 3-5 percent range.

Texas employment growth is forecast to be 2.33 percent through 2018, pushing the number of jobs up by more than 1.4 million to reach a total of 13.1 million. Services industries are likely to account for some 57.3 percent of the total jobs gained in Texas over the next five years, with an addition of some 817,500. Currently, the services sector employs about 4.7 million Texans, and in 2018, I expect the industry group to involve nearly 5.5 million jobs. We look for some of the largest increases to occur in professional and technical services industries and health care.

The wholesale and retail trade segment is another major source of jobs, with an expected gain of almost 221,200 new positions over the next five years. The wholesale piece of the industry group is likely to see the addition of nearly 69,000 jobs, thanks in part to Texas' advantages as a center for distribution and logistics. Among retail businesses, food and beverage stores are the top category for job growth, but all of the various types of retailers are also projected to expand.

Manufacturing job gains are likely, with an increase of more than 47,500 over the short term. Durable goods account for a majority of the new hires, with fabricated metal products, machinery manufacturing, and computer and electronic products all forecast to expand. Chemical manufacturing leads the way within the nondurable group.

We expect the finance, insurance and real estate (FIRE) sector to expand employment by upwards of 57,500. Insurance carriers and related business look to be an important source of new jobs, with real estate also set for significant hiring.

The rate of growth in the mining sector is forecast to be the fastest of all segments at 3.35 percent. Given its smaller size, the industry's share of the total employment gain is less than 4 percent, but these high value-added jobs tend to pay well and generate higher-than-average levels of economic activity and consumer spending.

Some of these patterns (such as the increasing importance of services industries) are continuations of what we've been observing for many years across the United States. In other cases (including oil and gas), market conditions are generating demand for a product Texas is uniquely able to supply. Not every industry will grow; that's the nature of progress. However, Texas has a number of strengths to draw from for future economic expansion, and that is what sets the Lone Star State apart.

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MARKET WATCH

US landscape filled with infrastructure projects

SCOTT WREN

Wells Fargo

I don't know about you, but this strategist is starting to get tired of listening to many of our elected officials in Washington endlessly talking about boosting "infrastructure spending" in a big way. The goal, of course, is to boost the number of people earning a paycheck by "creating" these jobs. While I certainly support any efforts to increase employment, it strikes me that a good number of these representatives must rarely get out beyond the Beltway and interact with real people dealing with everyday issues — like all the traffic congestion caused by infrastructure projects.

Keep in mind that these infrastructure jobs basically represent temporary employment. For example, when a highway project is done, the job is done. This is not an ongoing entity that produces a product that requires marketing and continued improvement of that product. It is a project with a definite beginning and end. It is entirely dependent on the whims of government funding. Politicians love these projects as they bring temporary jobs to their constituents. And employed constituents tend to vote for those bringing home the bacon.

OK, enough of that. My main gripe is that our representatives seem to assume that there is a lack of infrastructure improvement projects going on in America. And while I do not have the exact numbers to back up my observations, my own grass-roots work tells me that major infrastructure projects are going on all over the United States. Hundreds of billions of dollars' worth of projects. Here in the Midwest, try driving 200 miles in just about any direction on any major highway. Or even just commuting to work every day. The only question is how many highway construction projects are between here and where you want to go and how much will they slow you down. Part of the road trip planning process is trying to figure out how to avoid the construction zones when they are most backed up. Unfortunately, that is largely a guessing game I typically lose. Extend your drive by another 200 miles and the construction delays could cost you hours of extra road time. Literally.

As I travel the country visiting with our financial advisors and their clients, it seems most highways and airports, many shipping ports, and numerous schools and government buildings are undergoing some sort of improvement project. Huge projects. And that is what needs to happen. Workers earn paychecks fixing and improving our infrastructure. Just like your home, maintenance has to be done from time to time to make sure the property is performing its intended purpose.

But if you listen to what our representatives in Washington are saying, it would seem as though none of our roadways are being maintained. Maybe it is just a predictable election year theme in a modest growth economy, but it makes one wonder: Do these people not drive anywhere or what?

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Mortgage rates up for 3rd week

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Average U.S. rates on fixed mortgages rose for a third straight week as new data showed a surprisingly strong pace of new-home sales last month. Rates still remain near historically low levels.

Mortgage buyer Freddie Mac said Thursday the average rate for the 30-year loan increased to 4.37 percent from 4.33 percent last week. The average for the 15-year mortgage rose to 3.39 percent from 3.35 percent.

A report Wednesday from the Commerce Department boosted expectations that the spring home buying season will be solid enough to lift the overall economy.

Sales of new homes rebounded in January to the fastest rate in more than five years. The strength in purchases followed a slowdown that had been linked to higher mortgage rates and severe winter weather.

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Each set of letters below is arranged alphabetically, and the ? is in the correct alphabetical position. Figure out what letter the ? represents and rearrange the letters to spell a seven-letter word. For example, in ACNO?SW the ? could be an O, P, Q, R or S. Here it represents a P, which can be combined with the other letters to spell SNOWCAP.

A D I K ? N N

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A E G ? L L L

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C D O ? T U Y

Yesterday's Answer: CURRENT, RUNNER, WATCH, COMPANY 3,2

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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		The Truth	House	Paid	This Week (N)		Church	Paid	Count
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Paid	Paid	Paid	M. Lyon	CBS Sunday Morning			FaceNat.	First Baptist Church		First Baptist Odessa	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Kingdom	In Search	Tomorr.	In Touch Ministries	Key David	Paid	Paid	Animal	Stanton	Live Life	Hollywd.	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Consumer	W.Minist.	F.Kerdin	Consumer	Fox News Sunday		Odessa	FaithAve	Rain	Consumer	Consumer	Consumer
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	(5:00) Southwest		Walking	LifeByrd	In Touch Ministries		Zion	Day Disc.	DoorwaytoWisdom		Nueva Vida	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News	Secrets	Mercury	W.America	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press		First Baptist Church		NHL Hockey (L)	
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	C.George	Cat/ Hat	Peg + Cat	DinoTrain	D.Tiger	SuperWI	Sid	Wild K.	Arthur	Speaks	WordGirl	Company
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Cousin	Mercury	Para volver a amar		La hora pica		Al punto		Republica deportiva		Fútbol	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		JTV	JTV Direct	Bob Vila	Homesum.	Green	Hazelton	O.House	HomeT.	Bucket	Game	Supercross (N)	
FLIX	340	65		165		Movie		(:45) ★★ Boys and Girls				(:45) ★★ Antitrust Ryan Phillippe.		★ Walking the Dead Lori Elrgs.		Movie	
HBO	300	68	14	14		Movie		Real Sports		Boxing HBO				Making		★★ Now You See It...	
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Real Sports (N)		Mom and Mother				(:05) ★★★ Entrapment Sean Connery.		(:40) ★★★ Chronicle		Chronicle	
HBO3	304	70	16	102		Hardball	Dan P.	Dateline: Sunday		Meet the Press		(:45) ★★ Dark Shadows Johnny Depp.		(:25) ★ Magicians Lloyd Bridges.			
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	Dan P.	Dan Patrick	(:20) ★★★ Just Like Heaven					★★ Beautiful Creatures			(:05) Banshee	
MAX2	382	72	18	122		Bands	Dan P.	★★★ Backdraft (91, Act) Kurt Russell.					★★ Mr. Nice Guy Jet Li			(:10) ★ Big Daddy	
PLEX			96			Dan P.	Crazy/ Beautiful	(:20) ★★★ Elf (03, Com) Will Ferrell.				(:35) ★★★ Oh! You		(:45) ★★ Face the Music			
SHOW	320	66	13	140	25	(5:00) ★★ Dogfight (91, Act) Lili Taylor.							★★★ In the Name of the Father			(:15) ★ Hollywood...	
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:30) ★★★ The Story Thief Emmerich.						(:10) ★★★ Gosford Park ('01, Dra) Michael Gambon.				(:25) ★★★ Sleepy Hollow	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		★ Bonnie and Clyde 1/2 cont'd next.				★ Bonnie and Clyde	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	Mad Men		Mad Men		Mad Men		★★ Behind Enemy Lines ('01, War) Owen Wilson.				Movie	
BET	58	26		40		(5:00) BET Inspiration				Jones Gospel (N)		Lift Voice	Game	Game	Game	Game	Game
BRAVO	65	63		41		The Real Housewives	Wives "Slutty Island"			Real Housewives		Real Housewives		Real Housewives		Real Housewives	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	New Day	Sanjay	New Day	Politics	State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources		State of the Union	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Callie	McStuffins	Jake	Sofia1st.	Jessie	I Didn't	Austin	A.N.Y.	Jessie	Dog Blog	Jessie	Jessie
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		OLines	Report	SportsCenter					
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	Fishing Bassmaster Classic				SportsCenter		OLines	Report	Cheerl'd	Cheerl'd	Cheerl'd	Cheerl'd
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	★★★ Nanny McPhee Emma Thompson.				★★ Nanny McPhee Returns Maggie Gyllenhaal.				★★★★ Dumbo			
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday						News HQ	Housecall	Media Buzz		America's News HQ	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Rachel Ray's Week In		Rules	InTheBag	Pioneer	Southern	Big Bite	King (N)	Giada (N)	Barefoot	The Kitchen	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Fishing	Outdoors	NCAA Gymnastics		Paid	Paid	NCAA Basketball Oklahoma vs. Texas				Game365	Dumbest
FX	31	31	59	64	69	★★ Green Lantern ('11, Act) Ryan Reynolds.						★★★★ X-Men: The Last Stand Patrick Stewart.				★ X-Men: First Cla...	
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Lucy	I Love Lucy	Lucy	Lucy	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	★ The Wish List
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	My Place	My Place	My Place	My Place	My Place	My Place	My Place	My Place	Property Brothers		Love It or List It	
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens	"The Mission"			Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	In Touch Ministries		Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid	Preacher		Preacher		Preacher	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball	Business	Up With Steve Kornacki				Melissa Harris-Perry				Weekends-Alex Witt	
NBCSN	38	39				(5:30) EPL Soccer		Premier League Match of the Day				Leauge Live (L)		EPL Soccer Card./Totten. (L)			
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Monsters	Robot	Rangers	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Ninja (N)	KungFu P	Sam & Cat	
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program		Power	Power	Power	Power	Bar Rescue		Cops	Movie
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Paid	Paid	Paid		★ Dungeons & Dragons: The Book of Vil...				(:55) ★★★ Sin City Mickey Rourke.			
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Married	Married	MenWork	Cougar T	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Nashville Wives		★ The Nutty Profe...	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	★★★★ Oliver! ('68, Musical) Shani Wallis, Oliver Reed, Ron Moody.								★★★★ My Fair Lady ('64, Mus) Audrey Hepburn.			
TELE	20	8	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Raggs	Raggs	Noodle	LazyTown	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Op. Repo	Enfoque	Videos
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Law & Order "Dignity"		Law & Order		Law & Order		LawOrder "Doped"		Law & Order		LawOrder "Shotgun"	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	(:10) G.Girls	(:50) G. Girls	(:25) Golden Girls		Roseanne	(:35) Rose.	(:10) Rose.	(:50) Rose.	(:25) Roseanne		Cosby	(:35) Cosby
USA	26	30	42	27	49	Paid Program		Paid Program		Psych		★★ Troy (2004, Action) Orlando Bloom, Eric Bana, Brad Pitt.					
WGN	19	18				Paid	Facts	Key David	Beyond	Heat of Night "Fate"		In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night	

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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	NBA Basketball New York Knicks vs. Chicago Bulls (L)				Paid		Paid		Paid		News	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	PBR Bull Riding		PBRC Telethon									
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Browns	Browns	★★ Time Bandits ('81, Fant) Kenny Baker.				★★ The Bad News Bears Go to Japan				★ The Bad News ...	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Academy A. Preview		HomeT.	NASCAR	Auto Racing Phoenix Site: Phoenix International Raceway (L)						Consumer	Consumer
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Biblical	Mani Erfan	Dr. Will	Sal.	Light of the Southwest Best of Week				J.McGee	Dollars	House Call	Dr. R.B
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	(11:00) NHL Hockey Pha./Was. (L)				PGA Golf The Honda Classic Site: PGA National Champion Course (L)						Inside Ed.	News
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Cyberch.	Travel Kids	Getaways	BioCent	Art	Beads	Sewing	Knitting	Nova		News. (N)	W.Week
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	MFL Fútbol Pachuca vs. Pumas de la UNAM (L)				Tras la Verdad		El Chavo Animado		Desconocida		Humor es	Noticiero
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		PBR Bull Riding		NCAA Basketball Marquette vs. Villanova (L)				NCAA Basketball Big-10 Wild Card (L)				Access Hollywood	
FLIX	340	65		165		(11:45) ★★ Cocktail Tom Cruise.		★★★ Heathers				(:15) ★★ Shadow Conspiracy Charlie Sheen.				★★★ Mimic	
HBO	300	68	14	14		Movie	Bill Maher			Birthday		★ Miss Congeniality 2: Armed & Fabulous		Making /(:15)		★ Chasing Mavericks	
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(:15) ★★ Prometheus ('12, Adv)				Noomi Rapace.		True Detective		Boxing			Making
HBO3	304	70	16	102		(:15) About Face				★★★ Ruby Sparks		(:15) ★★★ Ray ('04, Bio) Jamie Foxx.					Movie
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	★ Trouble With the Curve Clint Eastwood.						(:55) ★ Big Momma's House 2		(:35) ★★★ Big Tom Hanks.		(:20) ★ Mission: Im...	
MAX2	382	72	18	122		Movie	(:45) ★★★ Fight Club ('99, Psy) Brad Pitt.					(:05) ★★ Identity Thief Jason Bateman.				(:10) ★ Sanctum	
PLEX			96			Movie	(:25) ★ Smokey and the Bandit III					(:55) ★★★ Elf Will Ferrell.		(:35) ★★ Crazy/ Beautiful		(:20) ★ Face the M...	
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(11:15) ★★ Hollywoodland				Episodes		★★★★ People Like Us Chris Pine.		Shameless		Shameless	
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(:20) ★★★ The Motorcycle Diaries Gael Garcia Bernal.						★★★ The Color of Money				★★★ Gosford Park	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	(11:00) ★ Bonnie & C...		Bates Motel				Bates Motel		Bates Motel		Bates "Trust Me"	Bates "Ocean View"
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(11:30) ★★★ The Departed ('06, Thril) Leonardo DiCaprio.								★★★ X2: X-Men United ('03, Sci-Fi) Patrick Stewart.			
BET	58	26		40		Game	The Game	The Game		Game	Game	Game	Game	Game	Game	Game	Game
BRAVO	65	63		41		Wives "Reunion Part 1"		Real Housewives		Wives	S. Charm	Blood, Sweat, Heels		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		Your Money		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Jessie	GoodLuck	GoodLuck	GoodLuck	Liv/Mad	Liv/Mad	Liv/Mad	Dog Blog	Dog Blog	Dog Blog	Liv/Mad	Liv/Mad
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	NCAA Basketball Duke vs. North Carolina (L)				PBA Bowling				Sport Science		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	Cheerleading		NCAA Basketball Nebraska vs. Purdue (L)				NCAA Basketball Vanderbilt vs. Kentucky (L)				NCAA Gymnastics	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	★★★★ Peter Pan				(:45) ★★★★ Pocahontas Irene Bédard.				★★★ Cinderella		(:15) ★ The Little M...	
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News		Journal E.	News HQ	Healthy	Housecall	Media Buzz		Fox News	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Southern	Pioneer	Buy This	Diners...	Restaurant		M. Diners	M. Diners	Diners...	Diners...	Chopped	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	NCAA Basketball MS St./Ga. (L)				Courtside	Countdwn	Sports Unlimited		Car Warriors		Mavricks	Mavs Pre
FX	31	31	59	64	69	(11:00) ★★★ X-Men: First Class				★★★ Thor ('11, Act) Chris Hemsworth.						★★★ Iron Man 2	
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	(11:00) ★ The Wish ...		★ Nearlyweds ('13, Rom) Danielle Panabaker.				★ Accidentally in Love Jennie Garth.				★★ Flower Girl	
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	House Hunters	Crowded	House Hunters	House Hunters	House
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens		Ancient Aliens	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Preachers' Daughters		Preacher "Hallelujah"		★ To Be Announced				★ To Be Announced			
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Taking the Hill		Meet the Press		MSNBC News Live		Disrupt		CaughtCam "Fury"		Caught on Camera	
NBCSN	38	39				Soccer	NCAA Basketball G. Mas./G.W. (L)			NHL Live! (L)		NHL Hockey Heritage Classic Ottawa vs Vancouver (L)				NHL Live!	
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Sam, Cat	Sam & Cat	Thunder.	Hathaway	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Brdwnrs	SanjayCr	★ Percy Jackson & the Olym...		
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	(11:30) ★★★★ Star Wars: Episode IV: A New Hope						(:35) ★★★★ Star Wars: Episode V: The Empire Strikes Back				Movie	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(:25) ★★ Outlander ('08, Sci-Fi) James Caviezel.						(:55) ★★★ Stargate ('94, Sci-Fi) Kurt Russell.				(:25) ★ Raiders of ...	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	(11:00) ★ The Nutty...		★★ The Nutty Professor II: The Klumps				★★ Blades of Glory Will Ferrell.				★★ Zoolander	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	★★★★ The Bridge on the River Kwai ('57, War) William Holden.						★★★★ Lawrence of Arabia ('62, War) Peter O'Toole.					
TELE	20	8	10	20		★★★ Casi divas ('08, Com) Julio Bracho.				★ The Sum of All Fears ('02, Act) Ben Affleck.					Op. Repo	★ Búsqueda impl...	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	600-lb ' Ashley's Story'		My 600-lb Life		My 600-lb Life		600-lb 'Olivia's Story'		600-lb 'Paula's Story'		600-lb 'James' Story'	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	★★★ Spider-Man ('02, Act) Tobey Maguire.						★★★★ I Am Legend Will Smith.				★★★ Cowboys and Aliens	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	(:10) Cosby	(:50) Cosby	(:25) The Cosby Show		BradyB.	BradyB.	BradyB.	BradyB.	Gilligan	Gilligan	Gilligan	Gilligan
USA	26	30	42	27	49	Law&O.:SVU "Bound"		Law&O.:SVU "Greed"		SVU "Runaway"		Law&O.:SVU "Care"		SVU "Lunacy"		SVU "Shadow"	
WGN	19	18				In Heat of Night		Home Videos		Home Videos		★★★ My Dog Skip Frankie Muniz.				Home Videos	

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Oscars	Oscars Red Carpet (N)	Oscars		The 86th Annual Academy Awards Recognition and awards for outstanding film achievements. (N)					(:35) KMID News	(:05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		The Amazing Race "Baby Bear Soup" (N)		The Mentalist "Red John"		The Good Wife "The Decision Tree"		CBS 7 News	(:35) The Wire	(:05) The Closer	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	(5:00) ★ The Bad News Bears in Bre...		★★★ The Bad News Bears ('76, Com) Tatum O'Neal, Vic Morrow, Walter Matthau.				Seinfeld	Seinfeld	King of Queens	King of Queens	'Til Death	'Til Death
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Bob's Burgers	American Dad	The Simpsons	Bob's Burgers	Family Guy	American Dad	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Modern Family	Modern Family	Jack Vin Impe	Consum-er Corner
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Doorways to Wisdom		Walking	Dr. Rik Wadge	Light of the Southwest				Zola Levitt	Update News	Day of Discovery	Dollars & Sense
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Dateline NBC				(:05) The Voice "The Blind Auditions Premiere"				(:10) News 9	Country Reporter	Montel-ongo	Whacked Out
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Square Mile	Arts in Context	Les Misérables 25th Anniversary Concert at the O2 This concert features music from Les Misérables, in honor of its 25th anniversary.								Woodsongs Indigo Girls	The
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Aquí y Ahora		Nuestra Belleza Latina				Sal y pimienta		Perspec-tiva	Noticiero Univision	Tras la Verdad	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Ent. Tonight		Burn Notice		The Closer		Private Practice		30 Rock	Sunny	Office	Trobador
FLIX	340	65		165		(5:00) ★★★ Mimic		★★ Hard Target		(:05) ★★★ Derailed				(:10) ★★★★ Trainspotting		Movie	
HBO	300	68	14	14		(:15) ★★★★ A Good Day to Die Hard		True Detective (N)		Girls (N)		Looking		True Detective		Girls	Looking
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Bill Maher		True Detective		★★★ Gangster Squad Sean Penn.				★ Parental Guidance ('12, Com)		Movie	
HBO3	304	70	16	102		(5:50) ★★★ Oblivion ('13, Act) Tom Cruise.				★★ Dark Shadows Johnny Depp.				★★★ Ruby Sparks		Movie	
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:20) ★ Mission: Im...		(:15) ★★★★ Warm Bodies					★★ Beautiful Creatures			(:05) Skin	Chemist.
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(5:10) ★ Sanctum		Banshee		★ Dodgeball: A True Underd...		JumpOff	JumpOff	JumpOff		(:10) Banshee	
PLEX			96			(5:20) ★ Face the M...		★★★ Only You		(:05) ★★★ Elf ('03, Com) Will Ferrell.						★★ Smokey and the Bandit III	
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Shameless		Shameless		Shameless		Shameless 'Iron City'		Shameless		Lies	Episodes
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(4:30) ★★★ Gosford Park		★ Seven Psychopaths Colin Farrell.						★★★ Killing Them Softly		(:40) ★★ Dazed and Confused	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Bates "The Truth"		Bates Motel		Bates Motel		Bates "Underwater"		Bates "Midnight"		Bates Motel	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	Dead "Inmates"		Dead "Claimed"		Dead "Still" (N)		The Talking Dead (N)		Walking Dead "Still"		Comic Bo	GameArms
BET	58	26		40		Game	The Game	Game	Game	"Men in Crisis"	Game	Game	Game	Game	Game	BET Inspiration	
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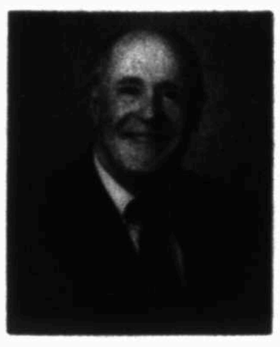
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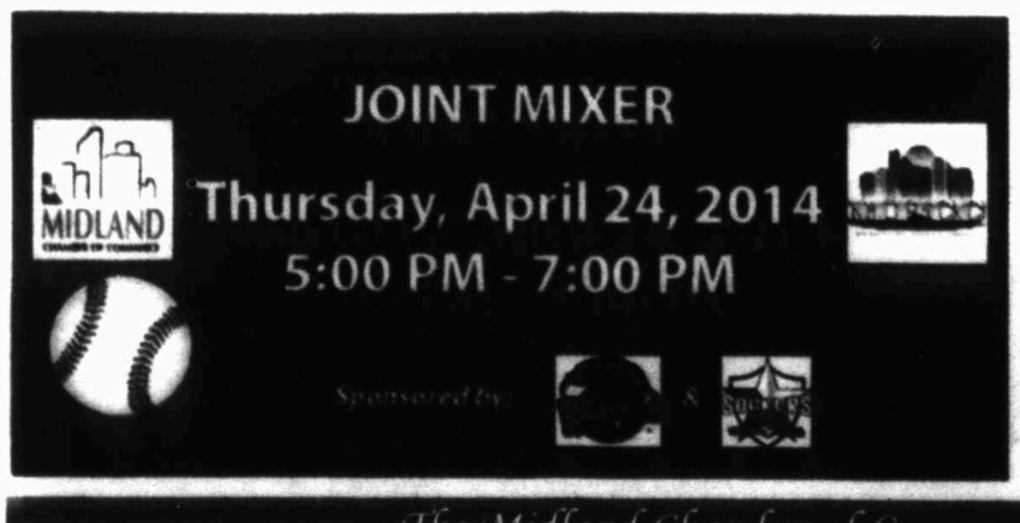
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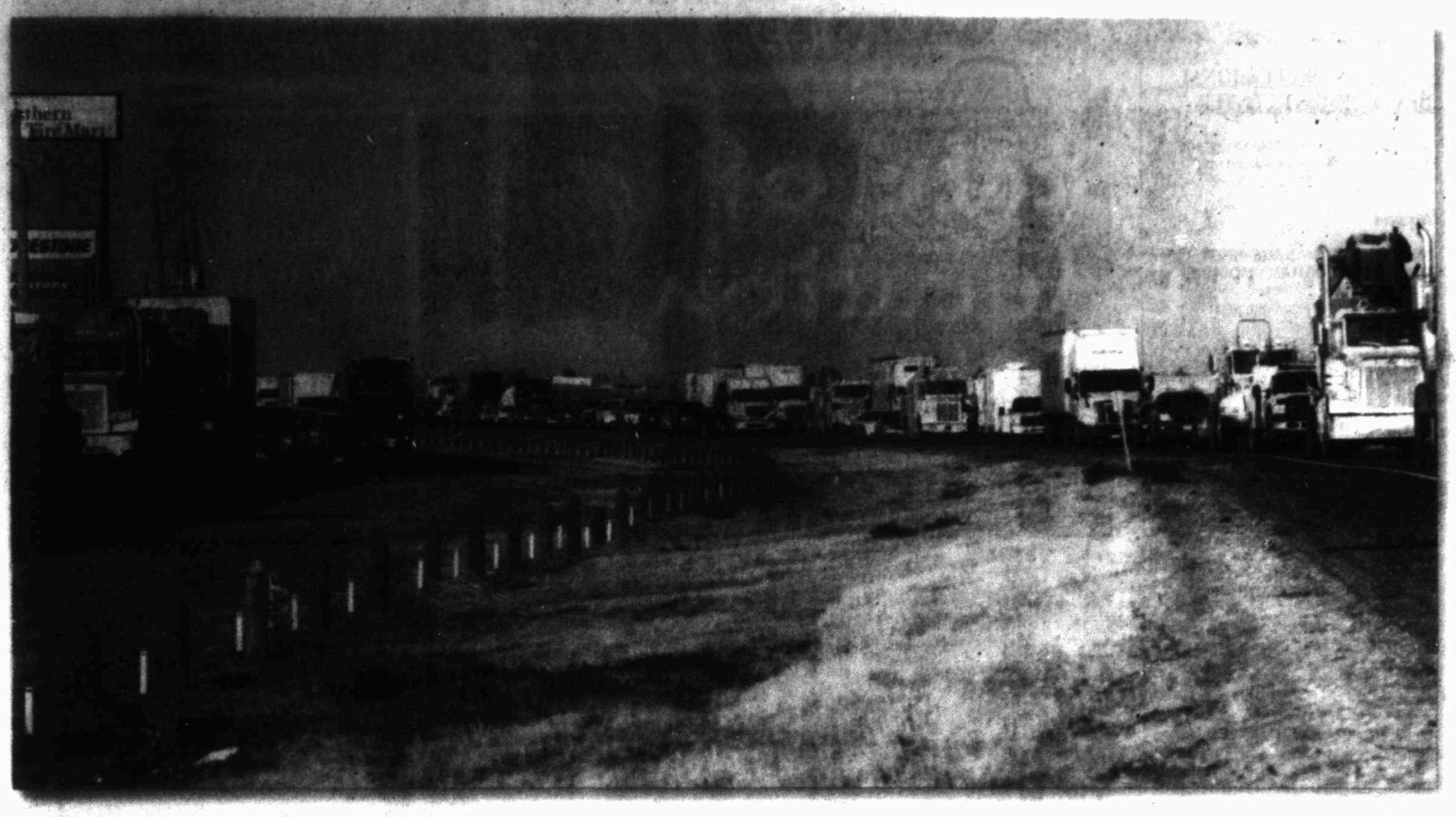


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TRAFFIC SAFETY

TxDOT safe driving campaign focuses on energy-impacted areas

By Mella McEwen
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Continued high activity in Texas oil and gas fields means heavy oil field trucks continue to share the roads with sedans and SUVs, sports cars and trucks.

To help ensure that all vehicles share the roads safely, the Texas Department of Transportation has launched its "Be Safe. Drive Smart" campaign with a focus on the state's energy-impacted areas.

"We've got a lot of campaigns going on," said James Beauchamp, president of the Midland-Odessa Transportation Alliance. "The Optimists Club in Odessa is starting a campaign. We're working with several companies on campaigns. Anything anyone does to enhance safety is a good thing."

According to Beauchamp, Midland County in Fiscal Year 2013 had 185,856 registered vehicles. "That's a lot of vehicles, especially with a population of about 132,000," he said.

Midland County residents traveled the equivalent of 2,982,093 vehicle miles annually over about 1,400 lane miles of roadway. Given those numbers, he said, concern about the number of fatal traffic accidents in the region begins to make sense.

He said MOTRAN has worked with corporations like BHP Billiton and Schlumberger to emphasize road safety.

"Trucks don't cause that high a number of accidents," Beauchamp pointed out. "But once they do, they tend to be bad accidents because of their size and weight."

With more projects underway to improve Texas roads — including nine in the Permian Basin — there are more and more road crews also sharing the road, and the campaign urges drivers to keep those crews in mind while on the road as well. TxDOT staff regularly wear orange ribbons as a reminder of the employees killed while working on road projects.

Beauchamp said progress is being made on improving Permian Basin roads. Work is being done to establish a County Energy Transportation Reinvestment Zone, part of legislation passed last year to allocate $225 million for county road improvements. Counties can apply for part of that $225 million, which will be allocated this way: 20 percent on weight-tolerance permits, 20 percent on receipt of oil and gas production taxes, 50 percent on the number of well completions and 10 percent on the volume of oil and gas waste injections within county lines. Counties will be required to match 20 percent of the grant, or 10 percent if it's considered economically disadvantaged. As part of the process, counties must establish CETRZs.

Acknowledging that it is a campaign issue in the current county judge race, Beauchamp said, "We are really lucky in Midland County in that our reserve fund is a good thing in this particular case. To receive the road grants, counties have to do the road construction first and then get reimbursed. Midland County's big reserve is probably helping us get our fair share for county road projects."

Under the allocation formula, he said Midland County is entitled to $5 million, or $7 million with 20 percent matching funds. But he said the county will seek much more because not all counties will

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Safety tips

TxDOT's Be Safe. Drive Smart. campaign offers the following common sense advice for drivers to help reduce their risk of becoming a crash statistic:

- Always buckle up.
- Pay attention, which means no talking or texting on cell phones or engaging in any other distracting behaviors.
- Give trucks space.
- Drive a safe speed that takes traffic, road conditions and weather into account.
- Stop for all stop signs and red lights.
- Pass carefully.

Operators increase use of alternative fuels in exploration, production

By Mella McEwen
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"Transportation is THE new market for natural gas," said Railroad Commissioner David Porter, saying growing the use of natural gas in transportation will help grow the state's oil and gas industry and its economy.

Porter brought his focus on alternative energy to Midland this week, hosting a workshop not only on natural gas vehicles but the use of natural gas in exploration and production operations.

Permian Basin oil and natural gas producers are not only utilizing advancing technology to produce more oil and natural gas, they're looking at ways to use natural gas in their operations.

"People don't like $3, $3.50 gasoline," said Dr. Ken Morgan, director of Texas Christian University's Energy Institute, who served as moderator for the workshop. Luckily, he continued, the United States is able to produce its own crude and natural gas. "If we didn't, can you imagine the ramifications we'd have with $7 or $8 gasoline? Exploration and production is where it starts."

Charlie Riedl, director, transportation and equipment with America's Natural Gas Alliance, said his association applauds the initiative to use more natural gas in exploration and production operations. ANGA members told the group in 2012, he said, they were interested in using natural gas more effectively and efficiently at the drill site. He estimated that E&P operations utilize the equivalent of about 86 billion cubic feet annually.

While he said it's not realistic to expect that all fleet vehicles be converted to natural gas, those that do can be fueled by natural gas for less than $2 per gallon. "Frac trucks use 90,000 gallons an hour," he pointed out. "Compare $2 natural gas versus $4 diesel."

What surprised the association, he said, was members' desire to cut emissions.

By 2016, ANGA predicts, member companies will have converted 30 percent of their vehicles to natural gas and 41 percent of drilling rigs. Pressure pumping is more of a challenge, he said, but the forecast is for 11 percent by 2016.

"The challenge is lack of infrastructure to support fuel demand," he said, adding that return on the investment is also important. "It won't be one size fits all," he said. "Different applications will work better in different areas."

Todd Fox, vice president for engineering and tech services at Nabors Drilling, described four ways to get the natural gas needed for exploration and production operations.

One is at the wellhead, if the BTU content is sufficient. Second is from pipelines, and then there is liquefied natural gas and compressed natural gas. He said new engines installed on Nabors' drilling rigs are 100 percent natural gas fueled. Two of the company's rigs drilling in the Marcellus Shale are 100 percent natural gas fueled, he said.

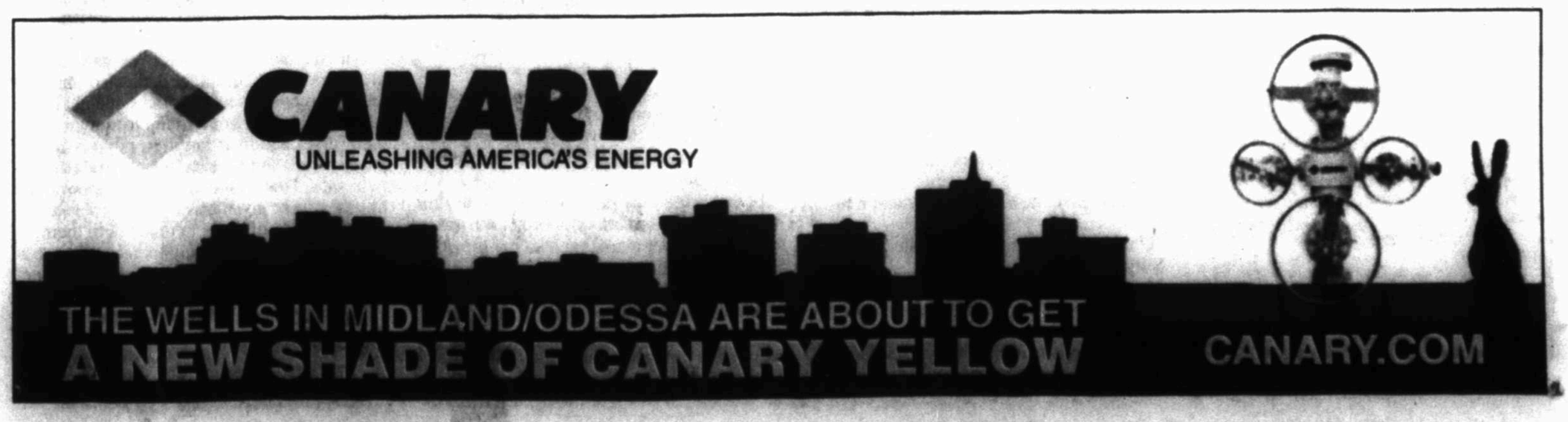
Concerns about converting to natural gas, he said, include supply concerns, safety concerns, the lack of first adapters, concerns about return on investment, concerns about how the natural gas system will impact rig performance and a shortage of mechanics with technical expertise in natural gas systems.

"The primary economic driver for drillers is rig marketability," he said. Using dual-fuel systems, or a combination of diesel and natural gas, will lower diesel consumption by about 1,000 gallons a day, he said. He expects LNG facilities will become more prevalent.

Frac spreads and truck fleets will drive conversion to natural gas and alternative fuels, he said, with rigs benefiting.

Mark Bruchman, general manager, operations with Apache Corp., said Apache ha... 38 rigs drilling wells for it in the Permian Basin and 28 in the Anadarko Ba-

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Houston Chronicle

Dan Eberhart, CEO of Denver-based oil field services company Canary LLC, poses on the balcony of Treebeards restaurant in downtown Houston in January.

BUSY RUN

Q&A: Company's business goes to its wellheads

By Emily Pickrell
Houston Chronicle

Canary, an oil field services company based in Denver, recently boosted its presence in Texas with the acquisition of American Wellhead, an Odessa-based wellhead sales and service company active in the Permian Basin. Wellheads are devices on the tops of wellbores that provide connections for pressure control and production equipment.

Canary CEO Dan Eberhart spoke with FuelFix recently about the company's activities. Edited excerpts:

FuelFix: You have had a busy run of deals since you started the company by purchasing Frontier Wellhead in 2009. You now have 12 acquisitions under your belt, including American Wellhead in January. What was the strategy for these acquisitions initially, and how has it developed?

Eberhart: The first three were in the Bakken Shale. We started with local companies, and then that led to additional acquisitions. We are now about 15 times larger than when we made that first acquisition. After the first deal, we used operating cash flow to finance the additional acquisitions.

We install and service the wellheads on the drilling locations.

If you drilled a well last year and put a wellhead on it, 8.5 percent of those have our name on it.

We are focused on pressure control and on the completion of the well. Installing the wellhead requires a lot more training than other oil field services I have been involved with. Your service technician needs to be able to understand different pressures and what could happen.

FuelFix: What do you see as the differences between your experience in the Bakken and what you foresee in the Permian?

Eberhart: Other than the weather, a lot of the logistical issues are similar in the Permian and the Bakken, in terms of infrastructure needs, labor shortages and those kinds of things.

For example, we have to balance the need to get work done with the need to limit fatigue among employees. In the Permian, our employees are averaging 90 hours a week. We need more people.

But it's true that the Permian does have more infrastructure, and Midland and Odessa are bigger towns than those in North Dakota.

And North Dakota is nearly all horizontal drilling, while the Permian is about half vertical drilling and half horizontal drilling right now. We do both, but our specialty is really in the more unconventional oil plays, which require horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing.

FuelFix: How would you characterize 2013 for the oil field services sector?

Eberhart: The last quarter of 2012 was very challenging. But I would say 2013 was a year where the industry muddled through. There was not a lot of growth, and there are a lot of margin issues for businesses, but there was a lot of activity. The oil prices stayed high, and natural gas prices came back a bit in the second half of the year.

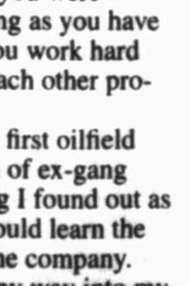
One of the latest developing trends is pad drilling, where operators are putting four, six or eight wells in a pad, and this has led to faster times for drilling wells. They are able to drill more with fewer rigs. It's good news for us in the wellhead business.

Our ability to service multiple rigs has increased dramatically. But for a lot of service companies that have to move their rigs, it's not good news.

Another trend we are seeing is the oil companies wanting a smaller number of service companies, overall. They also have more sophisticated safety programs, and safety is critical in our industry.

No matter the background, oilfield is a great equalizer

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In hindsight, some of the best parts about working in the field were the stories I accumulated. In my mind, one of the funniest stories actually happened on my very last job (well, so far in my career anyways) on a rig.

This job took place offshore, in the Gulf of Mexico, and the rig was a jackup. Right there, you know I'm not talking about state of the art rig technology, and as far as jackups go, this one was old: forget the rooms with satellite TV, the gyms, and all the nice facilities that come with new deepwater drilling rigs. In fact, the room I slept in was roughly the size of a walk-in closet, and slept six people.

They say that when you are offshore, you're either working or sleeping, but on this job there were six days of weather delays, so needless to say that in those close quarters, with that much time to kill, I had ample opportunities to get to know some of my roommates.

So one night, I was talking to one of the scaffolding workers, and I asked him:

"Is this what you've always been doing?"

He looks at me and said:

"No, I was a pharmacist before".

Without thinking too much, I replied:

"A pharmacist? That's really well paid, has regular hours, you work indoors…why would you quit that?!"

Then he gave me a wide smile, and it hit me…

"Ohhhh…you were a drug dealer."

Silly me.

My point is that while there are many, many people out there who think that the oil and gas industry is destructive, it's very much the opposite in that it represents a second chance for people who otherwise might not be granted one.

I think this is great: If we work together, I personally don't care what you were involved in beforehand as long as you have paid your debts to society, you work hard now, and we can both treat each other professionally.

In fact, when I worked my first oilfield job, I was junior to a handful of ex-gang members (this was something I found out as I got to know them) until I could learn the ropes and move forward in the company. Their past did not figure in any way into my working relationship with them. The facts at the time were simple: they had been in the field longer than I had, they knew how to run the equipment, and we were all on the same team, so I was going to respect them and learn as much as they were willing to teach me. Plus, they were simply really fun people to be around!

In that sense, that particular stretch of time in the field was not only important for my technical development, but also my growth as a person. It taught me humility as well as gave me exposure to people I never would have met (ever) without working those jobs.

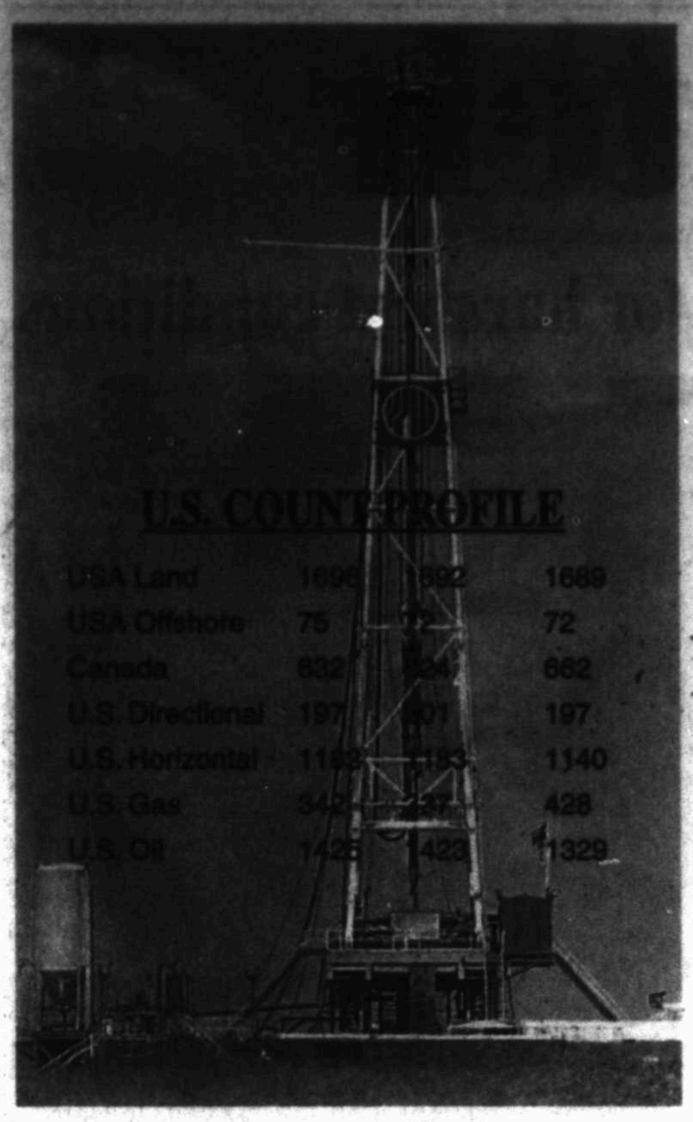
Growing up, I went from a private school to a top private university, so while I was around culturally diverse people, our upbringings generally were all pretty similar. Had I gone from Rice to a career in a traditionally "prestige" industry such as consulting or banking, I may have had to pay my dues at the bottom for a while, but let's be real, that would have been temporary and around a homogenous group of people (again insofar as their upbringings and educational backgrounds were concerned).

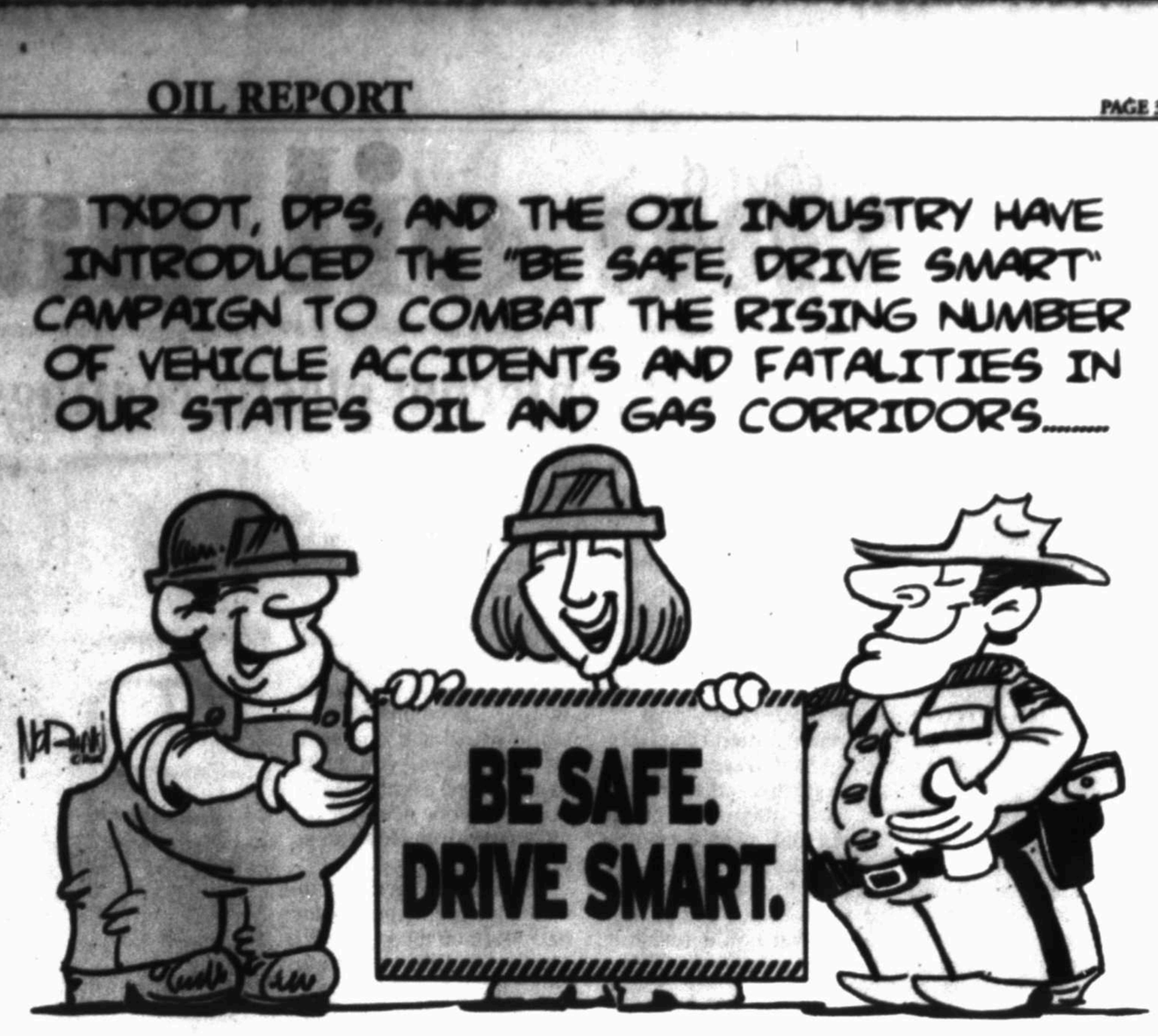
It's pretty clear nowadays that people are stratified along certain lines, and there is very little, if any, communication across those lines. Every so often, you'll hear calls for a "National Service" that would involve compelling young people after high school to do some kind of service work — doesn't matter what your background is, you're just put someplace with other people your age to help do some good. I can't say that's THE answer to building more cohesion between the different members of society, but I will say that for me, being thrown into a group with a bunch of really diverse people and told to get a job done was a very positive and character-building experience.

The operators I met aren't "ex-gang-members" now, but rather dedicated family men, who possess exactly the same goals as I do: making a good living to support themselves and their families, progressing in their careers and keeping their friends in the field safe. That's all thanks to the opportunities they were given by oil and gas service companies. I still keep in touch with them, and they're always willing to help if I have a request for a picture of some field equipment for my website.

They demonstrated very clearly that everyone's contribution is important, regard-

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MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	$98.90
Flint Hills Resources*	$99.00
Phillips 66	$99.21
Plains*	$99.00
Shell Trading	$99.20
Sun*	$99.00
NYMEX futures	$102.47

*Net price without transportation charge
Note: Posted prices as of February 26, 2014

SPOT NATURAL GAS PRICE PROFILE

Current natural gas prices (price per MMBtu)

	First of the month price	Closing price 2/26/14	Same period one year ago
NYMEX future price	$5.557	$4.855	$3.427
Composite Field Prices For Waha Hub	$4.890	$4.865	$3.390
Composite Field Prices For Rocky Mountains	$4.890	$5.155	$3.423
Composite Field Prices For Permian Basin	$4.780	$4.900	$3.395
Composite Field Prices For San Juan Basin	$4.870	$5.015	$3.400
Composite Field Prices For Midcontinent	$5.145	$5.143	$3.414
Composite Field Prices For Gulf Coast	$5.470	$4.944	$3.391

PERMIAN BASIN RIG COUNTS

Texas

DIST. #7C

Coke	1
Concho	0
Crockett	8
Irion	14
Kimble	0
McCulloch	0
Menard	0
Reagan	25
Runnels	0
Schleicher	1
Sutton	0
Terrell	0
Tom Green	1
Upton	34

DIST. #8

Andrews	20
Brewster	0
Crane	3
Culberson	9
Ector	17
Glasscock	28
Howard	27
Hudspeth	0
Jeff Davis	0
Loving	21
Martin	39
Midland	35
Mitchell	2
Pecos	10
Presidio	0
Reeves	44
Sterling	4
Ward	22
Winkler	4

DIST. #8A

Bailey	0
Borden	1
Cochran	0
Cottle	0
Crosby	1
Dawson	7
Dickens	0
Floyd	0
Gaines	6
Garza	1
Hale	0
Hockley	1
Kent	1
King	1
Lamb	0
Lubbock	1
Lynn	1
Motley	0
Scurry	4
Terry	2
Yoakum	6
TEXAS TOTAL	402

New Mexico

Chaves	0
Eddy	37
Lea	37
Roosevelt	0
N.M. TOTAL	74

FUEL

From 1G

sin. Of those, five operate on LNG and one on CNG. He reported an 18 to 25 percent reduction in fuel costs, or about $350,000 in savings per rig, with a four to five month payout.

"Supply needs to move the needle," he said, citing the need for regional CNG and LNG fueling stations.

Upper management must support the conversion to alternative fuels and the industry must overcome resistance to change, Bruchman added. Apache, which has worked to promote the use of natural gas as a transportation fuel, cites its lower costs, its environmental friendliness, its affordability and the fact that it's a domestic fuel.

Glenn Farmer, branch manager with D&H Pump, said what is driving interest in conversion is not just the cost savings but the environmental impact.

His company entered the alternative fuels arena in 2005, he said, and natural gas in 2011. The company offers conversion of drilling rigs, frac fleets and can install alternative fuel systems like LNG or biodiesel. The systems, he said, offer rapid payback, reduce environmental impact of exploration and production operations and are simple to install.

"We believe this can be a great benefit to the oil and gas industry," he said. "It's about reducing costs to get oil and gas out of the ground."

TRAFFIC

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have the wherewithal to go through the grant process.

"We're killing too many people on our roads, and the only way to get around that is to make these investments," Beauchamp said.

According to TxDOT, there were 4,371 traffic crashes in the Permian Basin region in 2013 that resulted in serious injuries or fatalities. The result was 358 fatalities in the 59-county Permian Basin region, which covers 75,000 square miles. The number of fatalities represents an increase of 13 percent over the previous year. According to law enforcement, the leading causes of crashes in the region were failure to control speed and driver inattention. The most dangerous times of day were around 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

"Safety is our top priority at TxDOT and we strongly encourage drivers to exercise additional caution when traveling through energy zones and other areas where they share the road with heavy trucks and equipment," said John Barton, TxDOT deputy executive director. "Being safe and driving smart could be the difference between crashing and reaching your destination."

VAUCHER

From 2G

less of rank or pay grade. If I am able to reach my goal of starting my own company one day, I resolve to get to know as many of my employees personally as I can and let them know that their contributions, whatever they happen to be, are appreciated. Regardless of someone's past, diplomas or job title, if they do their job well then they should be a valued part of their organization, and the companies that make up the oil and gas industry do a fine job of recognizing that.

David Vaucher writes about oilfield careers and building bonds within the industry for the Houston Chronicle's Fuelfix.com.

COMPLETIONS

Texas RRCD 7C

Irion County

FIML Natural Resources LLC
Mallard #3033E
Spraberry (Trend Area), 634 fsl, 2460 fel, Sec 3033, Blk 24, Abst. 209, H&TC RR, 23 nw Mertzon; TD 8601; Comp 2/5/2014; producing from 4721-8130, fracture stimulated; flow 175 BO, 489 MCF, 40 BW on 18/64 inch choke, FTP 550 psi, 38.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-35487

FIML Natural Resources LLC
Mallard #3033C
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1551 fsl, 1124 fel, Sec 3033, Blk 24, Abst. 209, H&TC RR, 23 nw Mertzon; TD 8580; Comp 1/26/2014; producing from 4534-8005, fracture stimulated; flow 140 BO, 494 MCF, 72 BW on 24/64 inch choke, FTP 520 psi, 38.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-35479

Reagan County

FIML Natural Resources LLC
Cat Claw "C" #81K
Spraberry (Trend Area); 888 fnl, 556 fel, Sec 81, Blk 1, Abst. 511, T&P RR, 27 nw Mertzon; TD 8965; Comp 2/6/2014; producing from 5120-8523, fracture stimulated; pump 52 BO, 163 MCF, 123 BW, 41.5 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-38381

FIML Natural Resources LLC
Concho #1938L
Spraberry (Trend Area); 2566 fsl, 658 fwl, Sec 1938, Abst. 247, A.F. Kupfer, 20.1 ne Big Lake; TD 8790; Comp 2/4/2014; producing from 5047-8230, fracture stimulated; pump 53 BO, 154 MCF, 130 BW, 41.7 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-38375

Texas RRCD 8

Andrews County

Ring Energy Inc.
Royale #1
Fuhrman-Mascho; 330 fnl, 330 fwl, Sec 8, Blk A-42, Abst. 2211, PSL, 10 sw Andrews; TD 4821; Comp 1/26/2014; producing from 4438-4672, fracture stimulated; pump 55 BO, 1 MCF, 233 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-45727

J. Cleo Thompson
West Means Grayburg-San Andres Unit #8016
Means; 6620 fsl, 700 fel, Sec 24, Blk A-35, Abst. 512, PSL, 6 nw Andrews; TD 4743; Comp 1/30/2014; producing from 4408-4547, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; flow 15 BO, 76 BW on open choke, 45 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-45729

Clearfork Production LLC
Big Max "14 SE" #4
Spraberry (Trend Area); 660 fnl, 660 fel, Sec 14, Blk A-44, Abst. 1898, PSL, 4 se Andrews; TD 9721; Comp 1/30/2014; producing from 7050-9567, fracture stimulated; pump 110 BO, 1400 BW, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-45583

Ring Energy Inc.
Fisher -3- #6
Block A-34 (San Andres); 1000 fel, 1100 fnl, Sec 24, Blk A-34, Abst. 1927, PSL, 10 nw Andrews; TD 4988; Comp 2/6/2014; producing from 4614-4836, fracture stimulated; pump 75 BO, 21 MCF, 113 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-45691

J. Cleo Thompson
West Means Grayburg-San Andres Unit #208
Means; 3840 fnl, 1980 fwl, Sec 16, Blk A-35, Abst. 1169, PSL, 8 nw Andrews; TD 4748; Comp 1/30/2014; producing from 4585-4602, treated with acid; pump 2 BO, 6 BW, 45 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-45582

Southwest Royalties Inc.
Lindley #12
Fuhrman-Mascho; 330 fel, 990 fnl, Sec 17, Blk A-47, Abst. 1627, PSL, 9.3 sw Andrews; TD 5000; Comp 2/5/2014; producing from 4241-4667, fracture stimulated; pump 66 BO, 25 MCF, 90 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-45530

Crane County

Henry Resources LLC
Faye #2410
University 31 West (Upper Devonian); 3145 fel, 5940 fnl, Sec 24, Blk 32, Abst. 627, PSL, 11.5 nw Crane; TD 9288; Comp 2/2/2014; producing from 7828-9054, fracture stimulated; pump 38 BO, 46 MCF, 242 BW, 42 Oil Gravity; API #42-103-36218

Henry Resources LLC
Univtaylor #1916
University 31 West (Upper Devonian); 1980 fel, 660 fsl, Sec 19, Blk 31, ULS, 10.6 nw Crane; TD 10050; Comp 2/7/2014; producing from 7626-9977, fracture stimulated; pump 13 BO, 2 MCF, 111 BW, 43 Oil Gravity; API #42-103-36250

Martin County

Occidental Permian Ltd.
South Curtis Ranch #2701
Spraberry (Trend Area); 8649 fnl, 5567 fwl, Sec 27, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 310, T&P RR, 10 n Midland; TD 11040; Comp 2/3/2014; producing from 8378-10758, treated with acid; pump 18 BO, 15 MCF, 138 BW, 42.5 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-38967

Midland County

Oxy USA WTP LP
Dora Roberts Ranch Unit #2717H
Dora Roberts (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 8243 fsl, 1105 fel, Sec 27, Blk 41, T-3-S, Abst. 366, T&P RR, 18.7 sw Midland; TD 9660 TVD, 15718 MD; Comp 1/30/2014; producing from 9976-15620, treated with acid; pump 371 BO, 260 MCF, 520 BW, 42.5 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-38933

Sterling County

Chevron USA Inc.
Sterling "U" Fee #6
Conger Southwest (Wolfcamp); 660 fnl, 1980 fel, Sec 39, Blk 32, T-5-S, Abst. 564, T&P RR, 19 sw Sterling City; TD 8420; Comp 1/26/2014; producing from 6640-7494; pump 31 BO, 7 MCF, 47 BW, 49.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-431-32487

Ward County

Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation
Hutchings Stock Association #1719
Ward-Estes North; 2794 fnl, 4877 fwl, Sec 6, Blk O, Abst. 124, G&MMB&A, 6 se Monahans; TD 3496; Comp 1/30/2014; producing from 2998-3172, fracture stimulated; flow 0.50 BO, 1 MCF, 300 BW on open choke, FTP 175 psi, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-475-36139

Pitts Energy Co.
Kelley #2
Scott (Cherry Canyon); 467 fsel, 1844 fswl, Sec 156, Blk 34, Abst. 1152, H&TC RR, 1.6 se Barstow; TD 6599; Comp 2/3/2014; producing from 4894-6554, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 10 BO, 18 MCF, 170 BW, 40.1 Oil Gravity; API #42-475-36546

Texas RRCD 8A

Hockley County

Texland Petroleum LP
Sundown Northeast (San Andres) Unit #25
Slaughter; 662 fnl, 747 fwl, Sec 13, Blk 41, Abst. 169, Maverick CSL, 4.7 ne Sundown; TD 7840; Comp 1/28/2014; producing from 4813-4968, treated with acid; pump 3.5 BO, 41 BW, 31.7 Oil Gravity; API #42-219-37299

Lubbock County

H.L. Brown Operating LLC
M.D. James #4
Edmisson Northwest (Clearfork); 1055 fsl, 467 fwl, Sec 14 Blk D-2, Abst. 680, HE&WT RR, 2 n Lubbock; TD 5555; Comp 2/6/2014; producing from 5345-5386; pump 8 BO, 2 BW, 26 Oil Gravity; API #42-303-31584

New Mexico

Eddy County

BOPCO LP
PLU Pierce Canyon 4 25 30 #1
Nash Draw; Sec 4 T25S R30E; 150/N & 660/E. BHL 64/S & 655/E; EL 3300 GL. TD 13940 MD, 9060 TVD. Spud 6-7-13, Comp 8-5-13; production is through treated perfs 8989-13816. IP: 8-21-13 Flow 24 hrs 275 BO, 866 BW. 1544 MCF. 48/64" Ch. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 929 w/800 sx. 8 5/8 @ 3900 w/1850 sx. 5 1/2 @ 13940 w/2200 sx. 2 7/8 @ 8340; API #30-015-41137

Devon Energy Production Company LP
Snapping 10 Federal #3
West Jennings; Sec 10 T26S R31E; 200/S & 2265/W. BHL 280/N & 2402/W; EL 3240 GL. TD 14782 MD, 10042 TVD, PBTD 14529; Spud 3-23-13. Comp 6-5-13; production is through treated perfs: 10510-14502. Treat: 30k gals 7.5% HCL, 322k gals slick wtr, 58k# 100 mesh sd, 152k 30/50 white sd, 1081k# 20/40 siber prop. IP: 6-28-13 Flow 24 hrs 556 BO, 1494 BW, 1767 MCF. CP 975. GOR 3178.05755. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1670 w/1455 sx. 9 5/8 @ 4050 w/1435 sx. 5 1/2 @ 14782 w/2650 sx; API #30-015-39866

Apache Corp.
A State #74
Artesia; Sec 25 T17S R28E. 1740/N & 860/W. EL 3684 GL. TD 5907. PBTD 5865; Spud 5-29-132. Comp 7-24-13; production is through treated perfs 3560-4069, 4134-5080. 5263-5750. Treat: 608,076 gals 20#. 764,732# sd. 13,666 gals acid. 12,306 gals 10# gel. IP: 9-9-13 Pump 24 hrs 98 BO, 293 BW, 4832 MCF. GOR 2989, Gty 40. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 432 w/330 sx. 5 1/2 @ 5907 w/1040 sx. 2 7/8 @ 5789; API #30-015-41054

COG Operating LLC
Big Boy State #6
NE Red Lake; Sec 36 T17S R27E; 275/S & 1560/E. EL 3670 GL. TD 5510, PBTD 4955; Spud 5-6-13. Comp 5-30-13; production is through treated perfs: 3500-3750, 3800-4000, 4050-4275, 4450-4700. Treat: Acdz w/10,000 gals 15% HCL. Frac w/453,027 gals gel. 563,819# 16/30 brown sd, 101,691# 16/30 siberprop. IP: 6-9-13 Pump 24 hrs 108 BO, 390 BW, 132 MCF. GOR 1222. Gty 37.1. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 262

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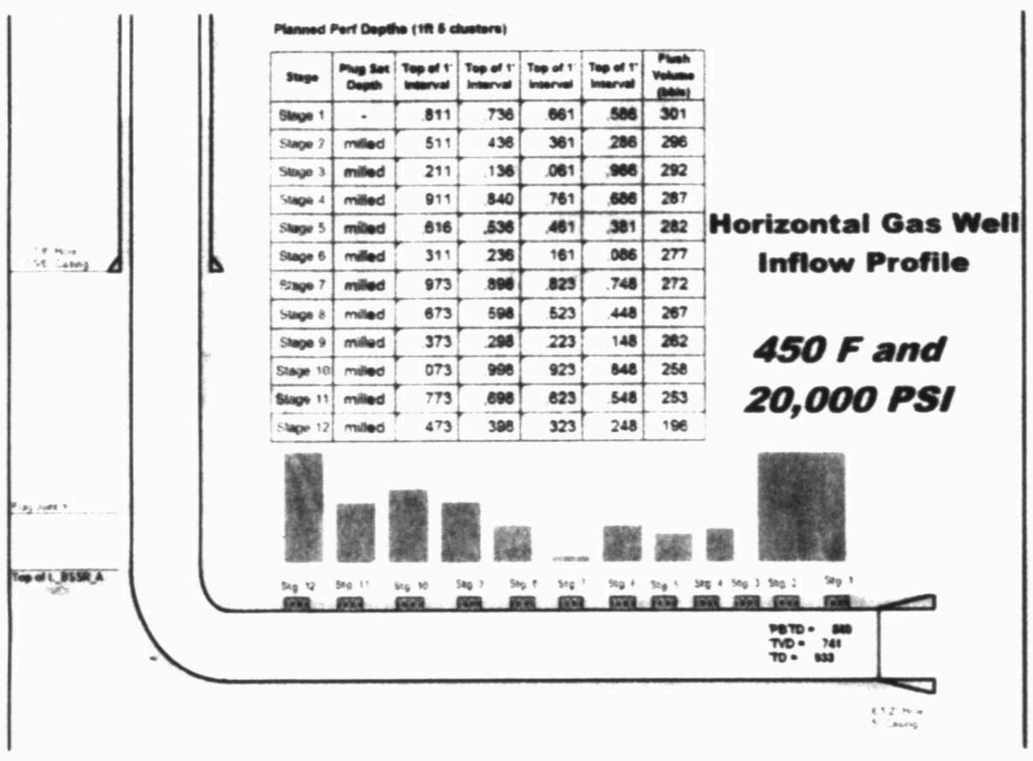
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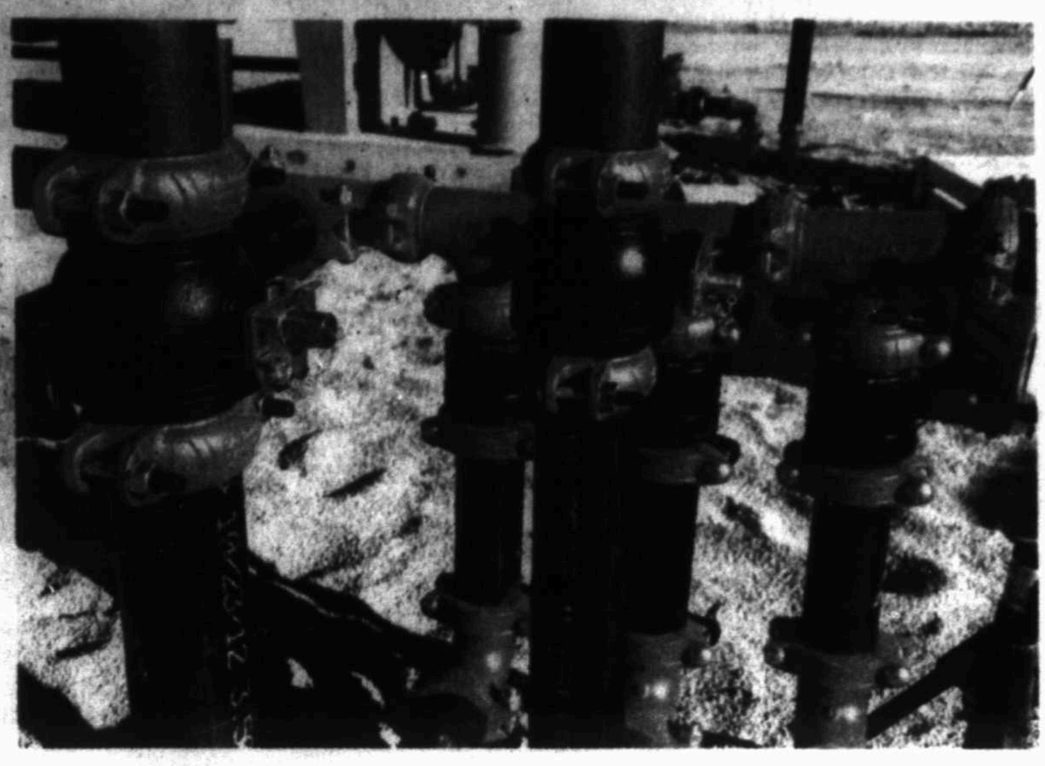
Victaulic Series 727 high-pressure ball valve is NACE compliant

The volume of a flow line is only as good as all of its valves and connections. Anything that restricts flow affects the output of the line.

To increase capacity in high pressure flow lines in both production and storage piping, Victaulic offers the Series 727 ball valve, with a pressure rating of 1500 psi. Preliminary testing has shown that the valve improves flow by more than one-third compared to competitive standard port valves, allowing faster transfer of product to tanks or trucks.

The Series 727 is also NACE compliant meaning it meets all the standards for corrosion resistance—a must for transferring the corrosive liquids in the Permian Basin.

This two-piece valve features the grooved-end joining system Victaulic is known for, providing a tight and durable connection. Its floating ball requires less torque to achieve a tight close in the off position. The valves are capable of handling pressures of up to 1500 psi/10350 kPa in sizes from 2-6 inches or 50-150 mm.





The Victaulic Series 727 Ball Valve is a high-pressure NACE compliant valve with grooved ends. Call Victaulic at 432-332-1489 to order.

The internal design has been streamlined in order to provide excellent flow characteristics, which accounts for its ability to increase flow over competitive valves. It offers an electroless nickel-plated carbon steel ball and stem. The seat material is lubricated nylon.

The Victaulic Series 727 comes with manual handles with an integral tamper-resistant lock and seal.

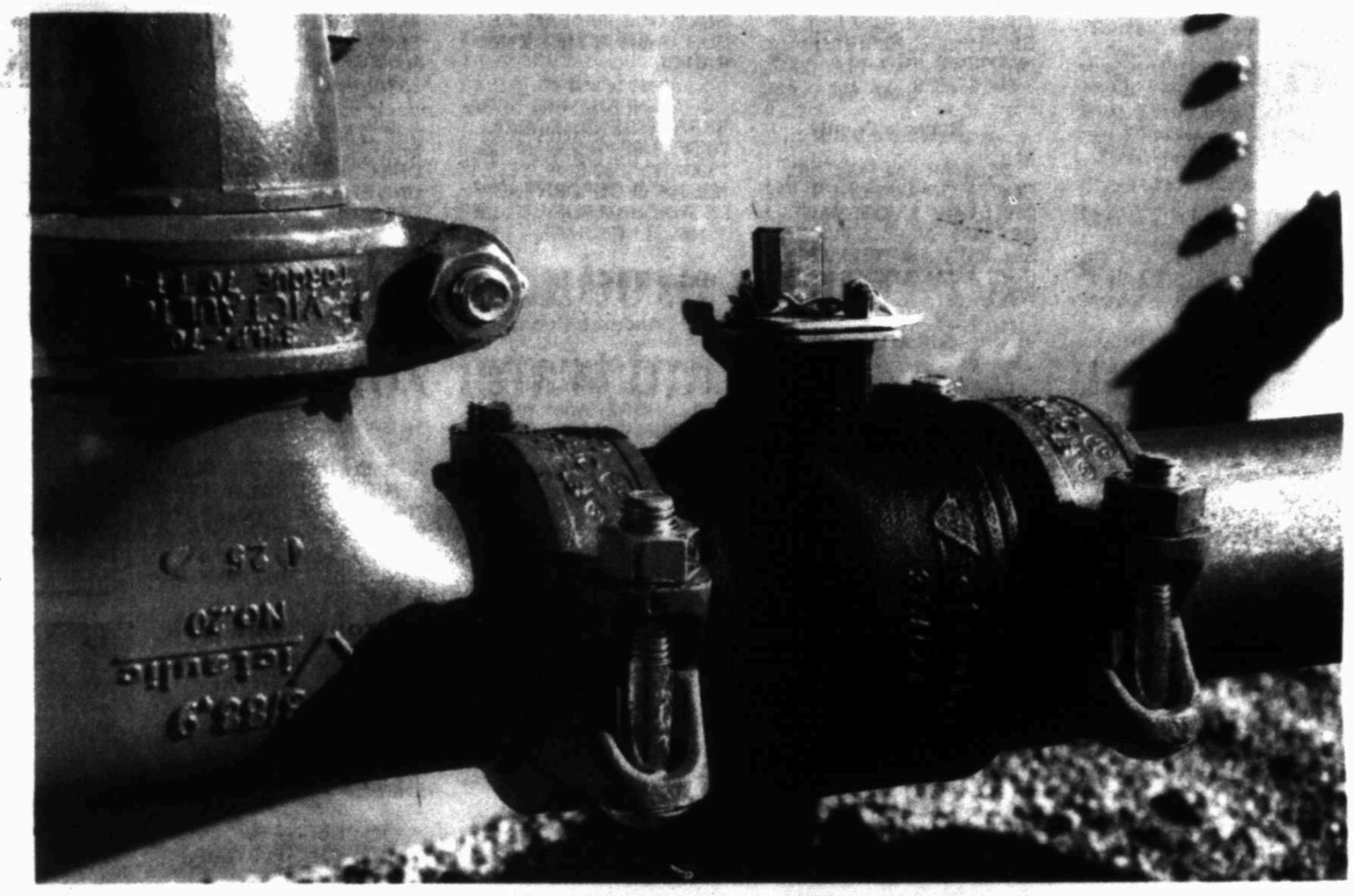
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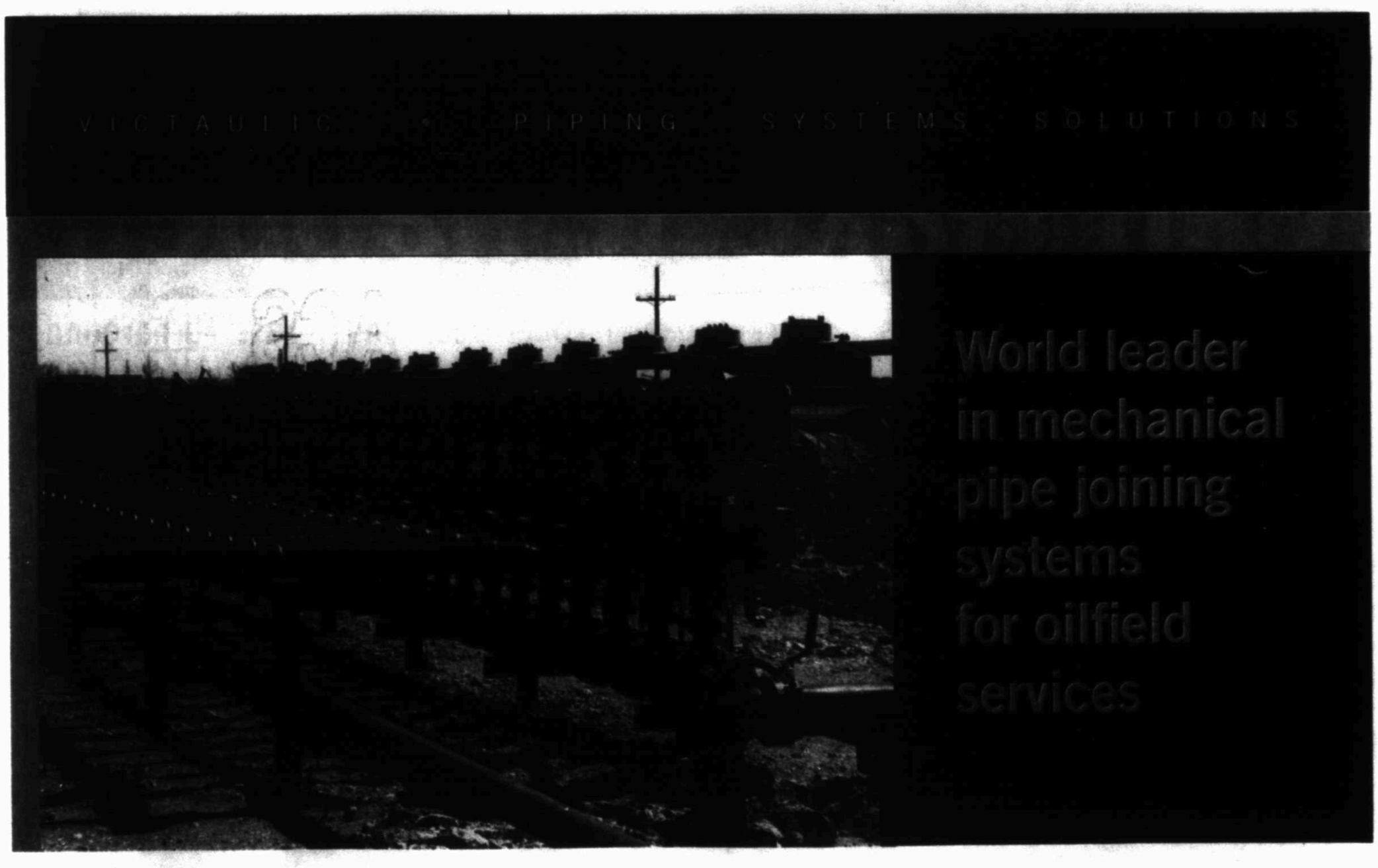
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Coke County

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IVORY ENERGY, LLC RAWLINGS (O) DRILL Well# 10 RF BUTNER, 1303 FNL 609 FEL, SEC 397 BLK 1A, H&TC SUR., A-345 5600', 5 NW BRONTE

Crockett County

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC. NE OZONA (CNYN SAND) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 17 AR KINCAID TRUST, 2650 FNL 1100 FWL, SEC 5 BLK MN, GC&SF SUR., A-2308 6550', 3 SE OZONA

Irion County

FIML NATURAL RESOURCES, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 3039H PECAN A, 1980 FNL 649 FEL, SEC 3039 BLK 24, H&TC SUR., A-211 10000', 25 NW MERTZON

McCulloch County

CHOLLA PETR., INC. WALKER-GRANT(STRWN) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 CLIFTON, 400 FSL 1720 FEL, SEC 1272, H FRELS SUR., A-302 2999', 3 NW PEAR VALLEY

FLINT ROCK RES. MGMNT INC. EXOC (O) DRILL Well# 2 APPLETON, 209 FSL 1519 FEL, SEC 140, H&TC/W BOHM SUR., A-1630 1200', 1 E LOHN

FLINT ROCK RES. MGMNT INC. EXOC (O) DRILL Well# 2 HEMPHILL, 400 FSL 441 FEL, SEC 1059, H BECKMANN SUR., A-160 1200', 2 E LOHN

FLINT ROCK RES. MGMNT INC. EXOC (O) DRILL Well# 1 HEMPHILL, 152 FSL 642 FEL, SEC 1059, H BECKMANN SUR., A-160 1200', 2 E LOHN

FLINT ROCK RES. MGMNT INC. EXOC (O) DRILL Well# 1 APPLETON, 1520 FEL 488 FSL, SEC 140, H&TC/W BOHM SUR., A-1630 1200', 1 E LOHN

Menard County

NORDAN OIL & GAS CORP. JOHN P (ELLENBURGER) (O) DRILL Well# 1 MCALLISTER 34, 2220 FSL 1717 FEL, SEC 34 BLK A, GH&SA SUR., A-1696 3500', 13 SW MENARD

Reagan County

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 5HM WEATHERBY 1232, 600 FSL 2307 FWL, SEC 1231 BLK O, GC&SF SUR., A-179 8500', 8 NE TEXON

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6HU WEATHERBY 1232, 540 FSL 2307 FWL, SEC 1231 BLK O, GC&SF SUR., A-179 8800', 8 NE TEXON

ENDURING RESOURCES, LLC LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1819H UNIVERSITY 09SL, 1972 FNL 1254 FEL, SEC 18 BLK 9, UL SUR., A-U188 8601', 10 NW BIG LAKE

ENDURING RESOURCES, LLC LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1818H UNIVERSITY 09SL, 484 FEL 1624 FNL, SEC 18 BLK 9, UNIV LANDS SUR. 8601', 10 NW BIG LAKE

LAREDO PETROLEUM-DALLAS INC. FRYSAK FARMS (DEV) (O/G) DRILL Well# 112J HOLT B, 1984 FSL 1984 FEL, SEC 112 BLK 2, T&P/CF HILBUN SUR., A-204 12000', 25 NE BIG LAKE

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC ROBLE GRANDE(STRWN) (O/G) DRILL (WDFRD) Well# 2 PETTIT 8, 467 FNL 2167 FWL, SEC 8 BLK C, EL&RR/LH HARPER SUR., A-914 13000', 3 SW STILES

Runnels County

DEL MAR ENERGY, INC. COCKATOO (GARDNER) (O) DRILL Well# 1 BOBBY MEYERS, 330 FNL 1100 FWL, SEC 267, TJ HARDEMAN SUR., A-234 5000', 5 NE WINTERS

Sutton County

HIGHMOUNT E&P TEXAS LLC FAWCETT (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 15 MAYFIELD 39, 500 FNL 1690 FEL, SEC 39 BLK D, GC&SF SUR., A-125 8500', 11 W SONORA

HIGHMOUNT E&P TEXAS LLC FAWCETT (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 18 MAYFIELD 46, 1500 FNL 1800 FEL, SEC 46 BLK D, GC&SF/TB ADAMS SUR., A-1641 8500', 10 W SONORA

HIGHMOUNT E&P TEXAS LLC FAWCETT (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 302 MINNIE H MAYER D, 660 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 47 BLK D, GC&SF SUR., A-121 8500', 9 W SONORA

HIGHMOUNT E&P TEXAS LLC FAWCETT (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 8 MAYER 36, 600 FNL 2051 FWL, SEC 36 BLK D, GC&SF/S MAYER SUR., A-1496 8500', 10 W SONORA

Upton County

COG OPERATING, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 15 GLORIA, 1980 FWL 2126 FNL, SEC 149 BLK E, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-85 12000', 26 SW MIDKIFF

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6H JANEY, 2194 FWL 300 FNL, SEC 8 BLK A, EL&RR/WT RANKIN SUR., A-876 9000', 5 NE RANKIN

MIDENERGY OPERATING, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 5809 NEAL, 467 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 58 BLK C, CCSD&RGNG SUR. 12500', 20 S RANKIN

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (INJ) Well# 3D XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 2374 FNL 3400 FEL, THROCKMORTON CSL LGE 1 SUR. 5700', 20 N RANKIN

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 1 KATE B, 660 FWL 660 FSL, SEC 20 BLK Y, GC&SF/H EARNEST SUR., A-641 10140', 9 NW RANKIN

XTO ENERGY, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 23 RS WINDHAM 128, 1830 FSL 1980 FWL, SEC 128 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG/RS WINDHAM SUR., A-1306 11150', 11 E CRANE

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Andrews County

APACHE CORPORATION THREE BAR (WICHITA) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1601H CARMICHAEL, 300 FSL 400 FWL, SEC 15 BLK A41, PSL/N POWELL SUR., A-1609 7500', 7 SW ANDREWS

APACHE CORPORATION THREE BAR (WICHITA) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1501H CARMICHAEL, 300 FNL 500 FWL, SEC 16 BLK A41, PSL/N POWELL SUR., A-1608 7500', 7 SW ANDREWS

CLAYTON WILLIAMS ENERGY, INC. MCFARLAND (DEVONIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 6 SAMSON UNIVERSITY 7, 1581 FWL 2100 FNL, SEC 7 BLK 3, UL SUR., A-U54 12700', 5 NE ANDREWS

RELIANCE ENERGY, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2305HW MABEE 24, 3275 FNL 1320 FWL, SEC 23 BLK 39 T2N, GAMMB&A SUR., A-299 11000', 18 E ANDREWS

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 31 WH BUSH, 1479 FNL 1492 FWL, SEC 3 BLK A47, PSL/DA GOOLSBY SUR., A-1551 4900', 14 NW ANDREWS

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC N SHAFTER LAKE (SA) (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 3 UNIVERSITY 48A, 1085 FNL 2022 FEL, SEC 48 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U440 5200', 8 NW ANDREWS

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC FULLERTON (SAN ANDRES) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 16 UNIVERSITY CONSOLIDATED XII, 660 FNL 1830 FWL, SEC 46 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U438 7200', 4 SE FRANKEL CITY

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC FULLERTON (SAN ANDRES) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 52 UNIVERISTY CONSOLIDATED XII, 1650 FSL 2640 FWL, SEC 45 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U437 7150', 14 W ANDREWS

TEXLAND PETROLEUM, LP DEMPSEY CREEK (SA) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 8H ALLAR, 865 FSL 2482 FEL, SEC 7 BLK A31, PSL/MW RANDAL SUR., A-444 4600', 25 NW ANDREWS

TREY RESOURCES INC. SHAFTER LAKE (SA) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2015H UNIVERSITY BLOCK 14 CONS, 180 FEL 2310 FNL, SEC 20 BLK 14, UNIV LAND SUR. 5000', 11 NW ANDREWS

UNITEX OIL & GAS LLC MARTIN (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 UNIVERSITY 12, 2423 FEL 2271 FSL, SEC 12 BLK 11, UNIV LANDS SUR. 6400', 16 SW ANDREWS

XTO ENERGY INC. FULLERTON (O) DRILL Well# 7042 FULLERTON CLEARFORK UNIT, 152 FNL 2035 FWL, SEC 3 BLK 13, UNIV LANDS SUR. 7700', 15 NW ANDREWS

XTO ENERGY, INC. FULLERTON (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 473 FULLERTON CLEARFORK UNIT, 242 FSL 510 FWL, SEC 24 BLK A26, PSL/CW LOGSDON SUR., A-1969 7700', 18 NW ANDREWS

XTO ENERGY, INC. FULLERTON (O) DRILL Well# 7332 FULLERTON CLEARFORK UNIT, 1455 FSL 530 FWL, SEC 4 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U396 7750', 16 NW ANDREWS

XTO ENERGY, INC. FULLERTON (O) DRILL Well# 7148 FULLERTON CLEARFORK UNIT, 1465 FNL 797 FWL, SEC 2 BLK 13, UL SUR, 7700', 15 NW ANDREWS

XTO ENERGY, INC. FULLERTON (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 7136 FULLERTON CLEARFORK UNIT, 1848 FEL 1493 FNL, SEC 4 BLK 13, UL SUR. 7675', 16 NW ANDREWS

Crane County

APACHE CORPORATION MCELROY (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6H UNIVERSITY LANDS 36, 350 FNL 535 FWL, SEC 37 BLK 31, UL SUR. 3500', 5 NW CRANE

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP RUNNING W (WICHALB) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 460H MB MCKNIGHT, 880 FSL 841 FEL, SEC 25 BLK B-17, PSL SUR., A-1106 9000', 23 NW CRANE

HENRY RESOURCES LLC UNIV 31 W (U DEV) (O) DRILL Well# 1714 UNIV LINDSAY, 660 FWL 1980 FNL, SEC 17 BLK 31, UL SUR. 12500', 11 NW CRANE

HENRY RESOURCES LLC UNIV 31 W (U DEV) (O) DRILL Well# 1916 UNIV TAYLOR, 1980 FEL 660 FSL, SEC 19 BLK 31, UL SUR. 12500', 11 NW CRANE

HENRY RESOURCES LLC UNIV 31 W (U DEV) (O) DRILL Well# 3014 UNIV KRISTIN, 660 FWL 1980 FNL, SEC 30 BLK 31, UL SUR. 12500', 10 NW CRANE

HENRY RESOURCES LLC UNIV 31 W (U DEV) (O) DRILL Well# 1915 UNIV TAYLOR, 660 FWL 660 FSL, SEC 19 BLK 31, UL SUR., A-U67 12500', 11 NW CRANE

HENRY RESOURCES LLC UNIV 31 W (U DEV) (O) DRILL Well# 1708 UNIV LINDSAY, 467 FEL 660 FSL, SEC 17 BLK 31, UL SUR. 12500', 10 NW CRANE

Culberson County

CIMAREX ENERGY CO. DERBY (BONE SPRING) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4H MIDDLEGROUND 16 UNIT, 260 FSL 650 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 59 T1S, T&P/ PV HOLEBEKE SUR., A-5560 7436', 18 NE ORLA

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO. W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H WISE WEST STATE 7, 730 FNL 575 FEL, SEC 7 BLK 111, PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND SUR. 10500', 58 NW VAN HORN

Ector County

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 3906ER LUP/N TXL FEE A, 467 FSL 467 FEL, SEC 39 BLK 42 T3S, T&P SUR., A-151 12000', 10 S ODESSA

EUREKA PROSPECTING CO. RATLIFF (PENN) (O) DRILL Well# 1 SW RATLIFF 24, 550 FWL 660 FNL, SEC 24 BLK 42 T1S, T&P/JW DYCUS SUR., A-551 13000', 9 N ODESSA

EUREKA PROSPECTING CO. RATLIFF (PENN) (O) DRILL Well# 5 SW RATLIFF 2635, 2050 FNWL 2150 FNEL, SEC 26 BLK 42 T1S, T&P/ EW ROGERS SUR., A-643 13000', 7 NE ODESSA

EUREKA PROSPECTING CO. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 SW RATLIFF 2526A, 550 FNL 2000 FEL, SEC 26 BLK 42 T1S, T&P/ EW ROGERS SUR., A-643 13000', 8 NE ODESSA

KINDER MORGAN PROD. CO. LLC GOLDSMITH DRILL (INJ) Well# 312RW GOLDSMITH LANDRETH/SAN ANDRES/UT, 969 FNL 918 FWL, SEC 29 BLK 44 T1N, T&P SUR., A-266 4500', 3 W GOLDSMITH

RESOLUTE NATURAL RES. CO., LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2715 WHITTENBURG, 1266 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 27 BLK 41 T1S, T&P SUR., A-60 11000', 5 SE GARDENDALE

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC GOLDSMITH (O) (RECOMP) Well# 11 CVX 43B, 2310 FSWL 1650 FNWL, SEC 43 BLK 44 T1S, T&P SUR., A-291 6100', 8 SW GOLDSMITH

XTO ENERGY INC. GOLDSMITH (CLEARFORK) (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 2337 CA GOLDSMITH ETAL, 241 FSL 500 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 44, T&P SUR., A-274 6750', 2 S GOLDSMITH

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XTO ENERGY INC. GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (RECOMP) (INJ) Well# 582W CA GOLDSMITH ETAL, 1997 FSL 2004 FWL, SEC 17 BLK 44 T1S, T&P SUR., A-278 6600', 4 SW GOLDSMITH

XTO ENERGY INC. (432) 682-8873, GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (30)(37)(RECOMP)(INJ) Well# 545W CA GOLDSMITH ETAL, 2100 FSL 2111 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 44 T1S, T&P/ WA BEATY SUR., A-687 6500', 4 S GOLDSMITH

Glasscock County

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 13 ANDERSON 28, 1118 FSL 1256 FWL, SEC 28 BLK 34 T3S, T&P/ G JACKSON SUR., A-825 11000', 5 W GARDEN CITY

MERIT ENERGY COMPANY SW CONGER (PENN) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 5 IW TERRY A, 660 FNL 2100 FEL, SEC 4, EL&RR/TB WILSON SUR., A-866 8665', 15 SE GARDEN CITY

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC NW GARDEN CITY (STRWN) (O) DRILL Well# 3 CH RANCH, 467 FSL 2177 FEL, SEC 28 BLK 34 T3S, T&P/G JACKSON SUR., A-826 13000', 5 NW GARDEN CITY

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC NW GARDEN CITY (STRWN) (O) DRILL Well# 4 CH RANCH, 552 FNL 2189 FEL, SEC 28 BLK 34 T3S, T&P/G JACKSON SUR., A-826 13000', 6 NW GARDEN CITY

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2H FLANAGAN 14-LLOYD POOLED UNIT, 384 FNL 840 FEL, SEC 14 BLK 36 T2S, T&P/WY HOUSTON SUR., A-1011 10404', 19 NW GARDEN CITY

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 8 CHEATHAM 13, 467 FSL 467 FEL, SEC 13 BLK 35 T2S, T&P SUR., A-299 10950', 18 NW GARDEN CITY

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 7 JIM TOM 42, 660 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 42 BLK 35 T1S, T&P/ JIP COCKERHAM SUR., A-792 11000', 22 NW GARDEN CITY

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 6 CORSON B5, 1980 FSL 1980 FWL, SEC 5 BLK 35 T2S, T&P SUR., A-295 11000', 20 NW GARDEN CITY

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H FLANAGAN 14-LLOYD POOLED UNIT, 384 FNL 810 FEL, SEC 14 BLK 36 T2S, T&P/WY HOUSTON SUR., A-1011 9170', 19 NW GARDEN CITY

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC AZALEA (DEVONIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 931 WOODY A, 660 FWL 1980 FSL, SEC 9 BLK 36 T3S, T&P SUR., A-396 11600', 17 NW GARDEN CITY

Howard County

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 34 FRANCES GUNN A, 522 FNL 1783 FWL, SEC 20 BLK 27, H&TC/WV RUTLEDGE SUR., A-1351 7500', 14 NW COAHOMA

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1 DOUGLASS 20, 500 FWL 1800 FSL, SEC 20 BLK 33 T2N, T&P/FM COFFEE SUR., A-1122 12000', 1 SE KNOTT

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1 ROGERS 34, 520 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 34 BLK 33 T2N, T&P/ JT MAULDIN SUR., A-1296 12000', 5 SE KNOTT

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 4 TUBB B, 520 FEL 2050 FNL, SEC 37 BLK 33 T1S, T&P SUR., A-376 12000', 3 SE ELBOW

SHARP IMAGE ENERGY, INC. PRIMERO (WLFCMP UP) (O) DRILL Well# 6 PRIMERO 42 D, 467 FSL 1854 FWL, SEC 42 BLK 31 T-1-N, T&P SUR., A-1306 10000', 5 NE BIG SPRING

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1322 HALL TRUST, 1960 FNL 1960 FNL, SEC 13 BLK 34 T1N, T&P SUR., A-389 10900', 10 W BIG SPRING

Loving County

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6HS REED TRUST 55-1-26, 300 FNL 1930 FEL, SEC 23 BLK 55 T1, T&P SUR., A-103 13000', 13 NE ORLA

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1HS REED TRUST 55-1-26, 300 S 1955 W, SEC 23 BLK 55 T1, T&P SUR., A-103 [illegible], 13 NE ORLA

EOG RESOURCES, INC. SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) DRILL (INJ) Well# 2 EXCELSIOR 12, 2186 FWL 2600 FSL, SEC 1 BLK 54 T1, T&P SUR., A-44 8000', 20 NE MENTONE

OXY USA, INC. PECOS BEND (OLDS) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 1 MORLEY A, 5895 FNEL 600 FSEL, SEC 88 BLK 33, H&TC/ JC MCDONALD SUR., A-332 4182', 4 NW MENTONE

SHELL WESTERN E&P PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H JOHNSON 1-88 LOV, 1675 FNWL 693 FSWL, SEC 88 BLK 1, W&NW/ WD JOHNSON SUR., A-1107 12200', 4 NE MENTONE

Martin County

ATHLON ENERGY OPER. LLC PARKS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 TOM RANCH 42, 467 FNL 2038 FEL, SEC 42 BLK 35 T1S, T&P/ JIP COCKERHAM SUR., A-641 10500', 4 SE STANTON

LINN OPERATING, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1A ALLAR 1, 467 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 1 BLK 36 T1N, T&P SUR., A-127 11500', 21 NW BIG SPRING

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 ROBB A, 1980 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 33 BLK 35 T1S, T&P SUR., A-122 10685', 5 SE STANTON

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 SLAUGHTER 29E, 660 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 29 BLK 35 T3N, T&P SUR., A-98 11100', 23 NW STANTON

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 11 INEZ WOODY C, 1117 FWL 1407 FSL, SEC 31 BLK 37 T2N, T&P SUR., A-251 11800', 14 NW STANTON

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 SNELL 11, 2173 FEL 367 FSL, SEC 11 BLK 37 T1S, T&P SUR., A-261 11450', 6 W STANTON

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4R SLAUGHTER 87B, 1955 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 87 BLK B, BAUER & COCKRELL SUR. 11150', 23 NW STANTON

RELIANCE ENERGY, INC. LOWE (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 GLASS RANCH 11, 467 FSL 467 FWL, SEC 11 BLK 38 T1N, T&P SUR., A-274 13000', 11 SW TARZAN

W & T OFFSHORE, INC. BLOCK 6 (MISSISSIPPIAN) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 9H CHABLIS, 470 FSL 1200 FWL, SEC 8 BLK H A, JH O'BRIEN/ SF 6947 SUR., A-948 12000', 15 NW TARZAN

Midland County

DISCOVERY OPERATING, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 11 WINDHAM 38, 1980 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 38 BLK 39 T3S, T&P/ WL HOLMSLEY SUR., A-1319 10600', 15 S MIDLAND

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 TXL 1, 1980 FNL 2029 FEL, SEC 1 BLK 40 T4S, T&P SUR., A-293 11000', 18 S MIDLAND

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 TXL 1, 2014 FEL 660 FSL, SEC 1 BLK 40 T4S, T&P SUR., A-293 11000', 18 S MIDLAND

HENRY RESOURCES LLC PARKS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2405 GWENDOLYN, 820 FEL 2080 FNL, SEC 24 BLK 41 T2S, T&P/ JC HOLCOMBE SUR., A-1436 12500', 9 E ODESSA

HENRY RESOURCES LLC PARKS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2406 GWENDOLYN, 1869 FWL 2190 FNL, SEC 24 BLK 41 T2S, T&P/ J BABCOCK SUR., A-1114 12500', 8 E ODESSA

HENRY RESOURCES LLC PARKS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 1311D GWENDOLYN, 2066 FWL 1629 FNL, SEC 24 BLK 41 T2S, T&P/ J BABCOCK SUR., A-1114 12500', 8 E ODESSA

HENRY RESOURCES LLC PARKS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2401 GWENDOLYN, 2045 FEL 1279 FNL, SEC 24 BLK 41 T2S, T&P/ JC HOLCOMBE SUR., A-1438 12500', 9 E ODESSA

OXY USA WTP LP DORA ROBERTS (CONS) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2818H DORA ROBERTS RANCH UNIT, 2400 FSL 1500 FEL, SEC 28 BLK 41 T3S, T&P/ WW MARTIN SUR., A-807 9700', 19 SW MIDLAND

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC MIDKIFF (ATOKA LIME) (O) DRILL Well# 4 MINDY LYNN 42, 2317 FNL 468 FEL, SEC 42 BLK 39 T3S, T&P/WL HOLMSLEY SUR., A-1318 13000', 14 S MIDLAND

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC MIDKIFF (ATOKA LIME) (O) DRILL Well# 2 MINDY LYNN 42, 467 FWL 467 FNL, SEC 42 BLK 39 T3S, T&P/ WL HOLMSLEY SUR., A-1318 13000', 14 S MIDLAND

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1702H PRESTON SPRABERRY UNIT, 570 FNL 960 FEL, SEC 13 BLK 38 T4S, T&P SUR., A-174 8680', 21 SE MIDLAND

Pecos County

OLSEN ENERGY, INC. BROWN&THORP(CLRFRK) (O) DRILL Well# 4 BRANGUS A, 1980 FNL 1980 FWL, SEC 86 BLK 11, H&GN/TP BOYETT SUR., A-8158 3300', 5 W GIRVIN

OLSEN ENERGY, INC. WENTZ (CLEAR FORK) (O) DRILL Well# 45 LH MILLAR ETAL 39, 1429 FNL 602 FEL, SEC 39 BLK 11, H&GN SUR., A-547 3200', 5 S GIRVIN

RED WILLOW PROD., LLC. HOEFS T-K (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H MCCOY REMME RANCH STATE 99-102, 275 FSL 1980 FWL, SEC 99 BLK 1, H&TC SUR., A-639 10300', 29 SE FT STOCKTON

Reeves County

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H SHERIDAN 55-4-27, 350 FNL 550 FWL, SEC 27 BLK 55 T4S, T&P SUR., A-806 14000', 22 NW PECOS

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 BILLY THE KID 31, 1650 FNL 1090 FEL, SEC 31 BLK 5, H&GN SUR., A-436 13000', 4 S PECOS

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 BALMORHEA RANCH 41, 1980 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 41 BLK 6, H&GN SUR., A-56 13000', 8 S PECOS

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 MARSHALL DILLON 25, 2310 FNL 2310 FEL, SEC 25 BLK C10, PSL/ MA SMITH SUR., A-5523 13000', 11 SW PECOS

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 JESSIE JAMES 4, 1980 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 4 BLK C7, PSL/L GARRETT SUR., A-5650 13000', 9 SE PECOS

Sterling County

OXY USA, INC. S GARDEN CITY(WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 801H HODGES UNIT, 1900 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 8 BLK 7, H&TC SUR., A-1035 6800', 15 S STERLING CITY

OXY USA, INC. S GARDEN CITY(WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL Well# 801WD ALLEN 8, 1481 FSL 2491 FEL, SEC 8 BLK 15, H&TC/WE HENDERSON SUR., A-1032 3000', 7 S STERLING CITY

STELLER ENERGY & INV. CORP. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 REED RANCH, 467 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 4 BLK 30, W&NW/N READ SUR., A-1188 8500', 17 NW STERLING CITY

STELLER ENERGY & INV. CORP. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 5 REED 16, 660 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 30, W&NW/N READ SUR., A-1189 8500', 17 NW STERLING CITY

Ward County

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6H MONROE 34-210, 370 FNEL 1063 FSEL, SEC 210 BLK 34, H&TC/AB GRAY SUR., A-1085 14000', 17 SE MENTONE

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Borden County

GREAT WESTERN DRILLING CO. BLACKARD (SPRABERRY) (O) DRILL Well# 2 SALEH, 1294 FSL 1935 FWL, SEC 47 BLK 32 T6N, EL&RR SUR., A-409 7600', 9 NW GAIL

PRIMEXX OPER. CORP. CLAYTON RNCH (ATOKA) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 1301 CR UNIT 13, 1196 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 13 BLK 31 T6N, T&P SUR., A-161 8820', 11 NW GAIL

Dawson County

BIG STAR OIL & GAS, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 BROWN 42, 1326 FNL 1125 FWL, SEC 42 BLK 33 T4N, T&P/ LD GRAVES SUR., A-999 10500', 4 NE ACKERLY

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC BIG WHEEL (FUSSELMAN) (O) DRILL Well# 2 BEAM 12, 467 FEL 467 FSL, BORDEN CSL LGE 262 LABOR 12 SUR., A-399 13000', 15 SW LAMESA

Dickens County

HALLIBURTON OPER. CO. TRIFECTA (CROTON LM) (O) DRILL Well# 6 ELWANDA, 660 FSL 359 FEL, SEC 276 BLK 1, H&GN SUR., A-693 5500', 5 NE SPUR

Gaines County

XTO ENERGY INC. RUSSELL (CLEARFORK) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 902 RUSSELL CLEARFORK UNIT, 660 FNL 1980 FWL, SEC 451 BLK G, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-35 11162', 9 SW DENVER CITY

Garza County

APACHE CORPORATION PEG'S DRAW (MISS) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1801H ATHENA, 507 FSL 293 FWL, SEC 9 BLK 1, J HAYS SUR., A-566 8800', 11 S POST

CAL OIL CO. POLLAN (ELLENBURGER) DRILL (INJ) Well# 6503 CAROL SUE REED, 805 FEL 480 FNL, SEC 65 BLK 5, H&GN SUR., A-55 1000', 12 N POST

Hockley County

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. LEVELLAND (O) DRILL Well# 1229 LEVELLAND UNIT, 180 FSL 726 FEL, SEC 71, VAL VERDE CSL LEAGUE 71 LABOR 18 SUR., A-211 5200', 2 NW LEVELLAND

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. TSTAR (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 434 SLAUGHTER CONSOLIDATED, 1233 FNL 717 FEL, SEC 37, ZAVALA CSL/LABOR 25 SUR., A-159 8600', 3 SE SUNDOWN

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. SLAUGHTER (O) DRILL Well# 324 WEST RKM UNIT, 958 FSL 1048 FEL, MAVERICK CSL/LGE 39 LABOR 29 SUR., A-171 5400', 2 N SUNDOWN

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. LEVELLAND (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 1231 LEVELLAND UNIT, 1053 FSL 248 FWL, VAL VERDE CSL LEAGUE 69 LABOR 9 SUR., A-213 5200', 4 W LEVELLAND

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. LEVELLAND (O) DRILL Well# 1230 LEVELLAND UNIT, 625 FSL 125 FWL, VAL VERDE CSL LEAGUE 69 LABOR 22 SUR., A-213 5200', 4 SW LEVELLAND

PPC OPER. CO. LLC E ROPES (CLEAR FORK) (O) DRILL Well# 108 E ROPES (CLEARFORK) UNIT, 1241 FSL 958 FEL, SEC 3, JONES CSL LAB 22 LEAGUE 3 SUR., A-152 8000', 5 SE SMYER

PPC OPER. CO. LLC E ROPES (CLEAR FORK) (O) DRILL Well# 103 E ROPES (CLEARFORK) UNIT, 1193 FNL 141 FWL, JONES CSL LABOR 20 LEAGUE 3 SUR., A-152 8000', 5 SE SMYER

Scurry County

HADAWAY CONSULT & ENGINEER LLC REVILO (GLORIETA) (O) DRILL Well# 5431V FULLER, 78 FNL 2269 FWL, SEC 543 BLK 97, H&TC SUR., A-2396 6000', 16 NW SNYDER

Terry County

TRINITY EOR, LLC WELLMAN (O) (RECOMP) Well# 47 WELLMAN UNIT, 1250 FWL 2550 FNL, SEC 22 BLK C36, PSL/JJ ADAMS SUR., A-528 10150', 4 E WELLMAN

New Mexico

Eddy County

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Alto AOL #2
North Seven Rivers; Sec 21 T19S R25E; 2240/N & 260/W; 7 mi NW Lakewood; Rot 7011 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-41757

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Patriot AIZ #13
North Seven Rivers; Sec 21 T19S R25E; 2210/S & 150/W; 7 mi NW Lakewood; Rot 7122 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-41755

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Savannah St Com #3
North Seven Rivers; Sec 32 T19S R25E; 2260/N & 150/E; 5 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 7107 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-41754

Mack Energy Corp.
Wind Fee #2
Foreland Ranch; Sec 4 T23S R27E; 1650/N & 2310/W; 1 mi SW Otis; Rot 5550 Delaware; API #30-015-41756

Oxy USA WTP LP
Carter Farms A Fee #3
South Culebra Bluff; Sec 17 T23S R28E; 305/N & 1680/W; 1/2 mi NW Loving; Rot 13585 Bone Spring; API #30-015-41758

COG Operating LLC
Cottonwood 36 St SWD #1
SWD-Re-Entry of Devon Energy Prod. P&A, Old TD 5850; Sec 36 T25S R26E; 1980/S & 1980/W; 7 mi S Black River; Rot 4550 Delaware; API #30-015-39560

Lea County

COG Operating LLC
Sneed 9 Federal Com #3
W Maljamar; Sec 9 T17S R32E; 1650/N & 330/W; 1 mi SW Maljamar; Rot 11114 Yeso; API #30-025-41410

Oxy USA Inc.
Corbin South Federal Com #2
South Corbin; Sec 9 T18S R33E; 1900/S & 800/W; 10 mi SW Buckeye; Rot 12000 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-41424

M&M Energy LLC
State 26 #1
Eumont; Sec 6 T21S R35E; 601/N & 2018/E; 8 mi W Oil Center; Rot 4500 Seven Rivers Queen; API #30-025-41431

Cimarex Energy Co.
Thyme APY Federal #7
Red Tank; Sec 1 T23S R32E; 330/N & 1980/W; 14 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 14100 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41422

Cimarex Energy Co.
Thyme APY Federal #8
Red Tank; Sec 1 T23S R32E; 330/N & 2310/E; 14 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 14097 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41423

Endurance Resources LLC
Jazzmaster 17 State #2
Cruz; Sec 17 T23S R33E; 330/N & 1980/W; 12 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 16574 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41425

Endurance Resources LLC
Jazzmaster 17 State #3
Cruz; Sec 17 T25S R33E; 330/N & 1980/E; 12 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 16574 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41426

Endurance Resources LLC
Jaguar 18 St #1
Cruz; Sec 18 T23S R33E; 330/N & 660/W; 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16574 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41427

Endurance Resources LLC
Jaguar 18 St #2
Cruz; Sec 18 T23S R33E; 223/N & 1726/W; 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16574 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41428

Endurance Resources LLC
Jaguar 18 St #3
Cruz; Sec 18 T23S R33E; 301/N & 2189/E; 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16574 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41429

Endurance Resources LLC
Jaguar 18 St #4
Cruz; Sec 18 T23S R33E; 330/N & 660/E; 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16574 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41430

Texland Petroleum-Hobbs LLC
OPL 3 State #1
Lovington; Sec 3 T17S R36E; 1880/S & 2045/W; 4.5 mi S Lovington; Rot 8650 Drinkard; API #30-025-41440

Apache Corp.
Southland Royalty A #2
Wantz; Sec 9 T21S R37E; 2310/N & 640/E; 3 mi N Eunice; Rot 11288 Abo; API #30-025-41435

Endurance Resources LLC
Stratocaster 20 Federal #2
West Antelope Ridge
Sec 20 T23S R34E; 330/S & 1980/W; 7 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 14873 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41381

Murchison Oil & Gas Inc.
Bettis 20 St #2
West Triple X; Sec 20 T24S R33E; 200/S & 940/E; 9 mi W Ochoa; Rot 15650 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41436

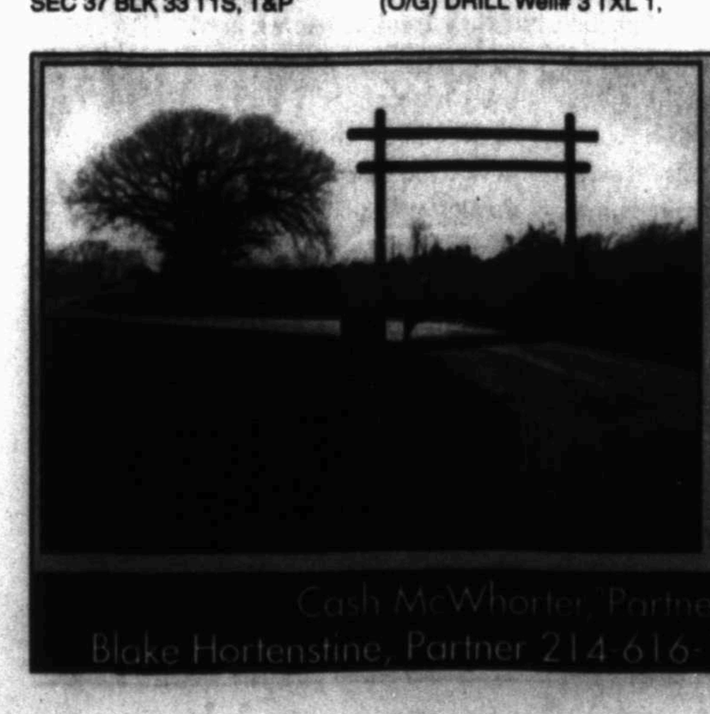
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Murchison Oil & Gas Inc.
Bettis 20 St #4
West Triple X; Sec 20 T24S R33E; 200/S & 1670/W; 9 mi W Ochoa; Rot 15650 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41438

Murchison Oil & Gas Inc.
Bettis 20 St #5
West Triple X; Sec 20 T24S R33E; 200/S & 280/W; 9 mi W Ochoa; Rot 15650 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41439

Apache Corp.
State C Tr 12 Com #1-Y
Wantz; Sec 16 T21S R37E; 330/N & 380/W; 2 mi N Eunice; Rot 11900 Abo; API #30-025-41454

GMT Exploration Co. LLC
Merchant GAP 25 St Com #1
South Ojo Chiso; Sec 25 T22S R34E; 40/S & 350/W; 12 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 15800 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-41450


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Apache Corp.
A State #75
Artesia; Sec 26 T17S R28E; 2310/S & 1650/W; EL 3669 GL, TD 5900, PBTD 5856; Spud 6-5-13, Comp 7-31-13; production is through treated perfs: 3485-4155, 4222-4761, 4830-5712. Treat: 660,870 gals 20#, 829,888# sd, 13,797 gals acid, 11,928 gals 10# gel. IP: 9-12-13 Pump 24 hrs 51 BO, 440 BW, 125 MCF, GOR 2450, Gty 38. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 405 w/715 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5900 w/950 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5774; API #30-015-41180

Apache Corp.
A State #81
Artesia; Sec 26 T17S R28E; 1650/S & 990/E; EL 3665 GL, TD 5900, PBTD 5864; Spud 6-28-13, Comp 8-21-13; production is through treated perfs: 3615-4072, 4180-4990, 5048-5685. Treat: 565,908 gals 20#, 690,468# sd, 10,156 gals acid, 12,222 gals 10# gel. IP: 9-15-13 Pump 24 hrs 42 BO, 421 BW, 91 MCF, GOR 2166, Gty 39.9. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 405 w/310 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5900 w/1410 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5798; API #30-015-41023

Apache Corp.
A State #82
Artesia; Sec 26 T17S R28E; 2210/S & 330/E; EL 3662 GL, TD 5900, PBTD 5859; Spud 7-06-13, Comp 8-23-13; production is through treated perfs: 3562-4038, 4122-4728, 4804-5729. Treat: 577,332 gals 20#, 745,456# sd, 13,756 gals acid, 12,264 gals 10# gel. IP: 9-09-13 Pump 24 hrs 15 BO, 429 BW, 92 MCF, GOR 6133, Gty 38. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 431 w/850 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5900 w/1060 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5800; API #30-015-41181

COG Operating LLC
Dodd Federal Unit #575
Dodd; Sec 10 T17S R29E; 1100/S & 2370/E. BHL: 979/S & 1663/E; EL 3589 GL, TD 4651 MD, 4598 TVD, PBTD 4590 MC, 4590 TVD; Spud 5-14-13, Comp 6-3-13; production is through treated perfs: 4130-4380. Treat: Acdz w/2000 gals 15% acid. Frac w/114,386 gals gel, 121,328# 16/30 brown sd, 18,746# 16/30 siberprop. IP: 6-6-13 Pump 24 hrs 91 BO, 196 BW, 83 MCF, GOR 912, Gty 38.3. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 225 w/400 sx, 8 5/8 @ 920 w/500 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4628 w/950 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4524. API #30-015-39904

COG Operating LLC
Dodd Federal Unit #564
Dodd; Sec 11 T17S R28E; 2310/S & 1700/W; EL 3632 GL, TD 4580, PBTD 4523; Spud 4-7-13, Comp 5-9-13; production is through treated perfs: 4100-4350. Treat: Acdz w/2000 gals 15% HCL, Frac w/120,498 gals gel, 116,259# 16/30 brown sd, 18,231# siberprop. IP: 5-17-13 Pump 24 hrs 63 BO, 165 BW, 70 MCF, GOR 1111, Gty 38.1. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 269 w/400 sx, 8 5/8 @ 994 w/500 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4570 w/900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4476; API #30-015-40603

Burnett Oil Co. Inc.
Gissler B #98
Loco Hills; Sec 8 T17S R30E; 1160/N & 330/E. BHL: 990/N & 330/E; EL 3689 GL, TD 5986, PBTD 5935; Spud 7-15-13, Comp 8-16-13; production is through treated perfs: 5200-5496. Treat: Acdz w/2500 gals 15% NEFE, 66 BS. Frac w/871,584 gals slickwater, 20,700# 100 mesh, 245,800# 40/70 sd. IP: 8-30-13 Pump 24 hrs 120 BO, 512 BW, 127 MCF, Gty 38.3. Csg: 10 1/2 @ 530 w/400 sx, 7 @ 5986 w/1520 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5078; API #30-015-41368

Marshall & Winston Inc.
Boot Hill 25 #1
North Seven Rivers; Sec 36 T19S R25E; 530/N & 2260/E. BHL: 332/S & 2157/E; EL 3425 GL, TD 4892, PBTD 4850; Spud 12-4-11, Comp 2-16-12; production is through treated perfs: 2965-4850. Treat: 20,222 gals 15% HCL acid, Frac 12,800 BFW + 99,666 gals 10# linear gel, 31,080 gals 15# linear gel, 399,924 gals 15# BXL gel, 339,720# brady sd. IP: 2-25-12 Pump 24 hrs 268 BO, 532 BW, TSTM MCF. Csg: 9 5/8 @ 978 w/610 sx, 7 @ 3033, 5 1/2 @ 4892 w/930 sx, 2 7/8 @ 2148; API #30-015-38552

Chevron USA Inc.
West Shugart 2 19 30 State #3
Benson; Sec 2 T19S R30E; 1195/N & 150/W. BHL: 1173/N & 385/E; EL 3473 GL, TD 13130, PBTD 13095; Spud 5-6-13, Comp 8-9-13; production is through perfs: 13040-13130. Treat: None. IP: 8-15-13 Pump 24 hrs 794 BO, 726 BW, 351 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 650 w/250 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3500 w/850 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13134 w/1200 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8186; API #30-015-40842

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
Cresent Hale 10 Federal #3
Hackberry; Sec 11 T19S R30E; 2250/S & 2025/W. BHL: 1962/S & 336/W; EL 3354 GL, TD 15329 MD, 8393 TVD, PBTD 15326; Spud 3-18-13, Comp 6-11-13; production is through treated perfs: 9390-15240. Treat: 2,083,800 gals fluid, 3,478,822# sd. IP: 6-27-13 Pump 24 hrs 327 BO, 461 BW, 165 MCF, GOR 505, Gty 42.8. Csg: 16 @ 410 w/800 sx, 11 1/2 @ 1990 w/1100 sx, 8 5/8 @ 4208 w/1170 sx, 4 1/2 @ 15329 w/2484 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7643; API #30-015-40784

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
Irwin 23 14 Federal #4
Benson; Sec 23 T19S R30E; 1300/N & 785/E. BHL: 1093/S & 415/W; EL 3281 GL, TD 13065 MD, 8456 TVD, PBTD 13046; Spud 2-16-13, Comp 5-9-13; production is through treated perfs: 9485-13038. Treat: 1,434,898 gals total fluid, 2102694# sd. IP: 5-18-13 Pump 24 hrs 368 BO, 1020 BW, 482 MCF, GOR 1310, Gty 39.7. Csg: 16 @ 327 w/495 sx, 11 1/2 @ 1722 w/980 sx, 8 5/8 @ 3615 w/920 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13065 w/1740 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7895; API #30-015-39894

COG Operating LLC
Munnynthabank #2
West Willow Lake; Sec 34 T24S R27E; 190/N & 2260/E. BHL: 331/S & 2272/E; EL 3221 GL, TD 12113, PBTD 12110; Spud 1-13-13, Comp 4-24-13; production is through treated perfs: 8546-12842. Treat: Acdz w/29481 gals 7.5%, Frac w/2998200# sd & 2317279 gals fluid. IP: 4-29-13 Pump 24 hrs 375 BO, 1851 BW, 489 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 299 w/350 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2215 w/750 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12113 w/1750 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7315; API #30-015-40622

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
Davinci 7 Federal Com #2
Cottonwood Draw; Sec 7 T25S R27E; 330/S & 580/E. BHL: 332/N & 400/E; EL 3229 GL, TD 11690 MD, 7284 TVD, PBTD 11667 MD; Spud 5-1-13, Comp 6-8-13; production is through treated perfs: 7300-11662. Treat: 1,675,265 gals total fluid, 2,773,136# sd. IP: 6-30-13 Pump 24 hrs 471 BO, 440 BW, 2720 MCF, GOR 5775, Gty 48. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 465 w/430 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2015 w/710 sx, 5 1/2 @ 11890 w/1740 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6758; API #30-015-41259

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Skeen 21 DM State #1
Hay Hollow; Sec 21 T26S R28E; 150/N & 500/W. BHL: 333/S & 531/W; EL 3064 GL, TD 12525, PBTD 12459; Spud 5-1-13, Comp 6-22-13; production is through treated perfs: 8310-12459. Treat: Frac w/311,867 gals slickwater, 275,877 gals 20# linear gel, 605,622 gals 20# x-link gel carrying 99,210# 100 mesh, 1,678,797# 20/40 sd & 357,444# SB excel sd. IP: 7-1-13 Flow 24 hrs 331 BO, 1267 BW, 2069 MCF, N/A Ch, TP 800, CP 600, GOR 6351, Gty 39.5. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 585 w/800 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2425 w/850 sx, 7 @ 8260 w/800 sx, 4 1/2 @ 8026-12470, 2 7/8 @ 7541; API #30-015-40863

Lea County

Apache Corp.
Werta Federal #3
North House; Sec 35 T19S R38E; 335/S & 990/E; EL 3579 GL, TD 7306, PBTD 7260; Spud 12-8-12, Comp 4-2-13; production is through treated perfs: 6106-6478, 6644-6784, 7028-7057. Treat: 14,364 gals 15% HCL, 21,924 gals linear gel, 227,010 gals 20# gel pad, 381,509# proppant. IP: 5-31-13 Pump 24 hrs 40 BO, 200 BW, 8 MCF, GOR 200, Gty 37.4. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 1674 w/740 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7306 w/1240 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7167; API #30-025-40799

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Belfast BSL State Com #1-Y
North Berry; Sec 6 T21S R34E; 2750/S & 660/W. BHL: 7585/S & 637/W; EL 3740 GL, TD 15,407, PBTD 15,331; Spud 4-17-13, Comp 8-29-13; production is through treated perfs: 11,036-15,330. Treat: Acdz w/73,500 gals 15% HCL acid. Frac w/3,857,970# EL prop. IP: 9-3-13 Flow 24 hrs 345 BO, 300 BW, 378 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1890 w/980 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5868 w/1975 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15380 w/2185 sx, 2 7/8 @ 13502; API #30-025-41121

GMT Exploration Co. LLC
Pryer State #1
South Ojo Chiso; Sec 36 T22S R34E; 330/S & 430/W. BHL: 4902/S & 453/W; EL 3380 GL, TD 13,327, PBTD 13,239; Spud 3-4-12, Comp 5-26-12; production is through treated perfs: 8865-9180, 9280-9582, 9678-9980. Treat: 85,515 bbls slurry, 95,191# 40/70, 1,162,022# 20/40. IP: 6-10-12 Flow 24 hrs 638 BO, 360 BW, 0 MCF, Gty 36.5. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 630 w/750 sx, 8 5/8 @ 5225 w/2430 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13,327 w/9290 sx; API #30-025-40396

Cimarex Energy Co.
Triste Draw 25 Federal #1
Triste Draw; Sec 25 T23S R32E; 330/S & 660/E. BHL: 4951/S & 717/E; EL 3698 GL, TD 15390, PBTD 15387; Spud 1-13-13, Comp 4-3-13; production is through perfs: 10750-15357. IP: 4-20-13 Flow 24 hrs 575 BO, 679 BW, 982 MCF, 22/64" Ch, TP 600. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1345 w/1010 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4928 w/1490 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15390 w/2795 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10430; API #30-025-40877

Cimarex Energy CO.
Dos Equis 12 Federal Com #1
Triple X; Sec 12 T24S R32E; 330/N & 1980/E. BHL: 4955/N & 1995/W; EL 3612 GL, TD 15277 MD, 11002 TVD, PBTD 15255; Spud 3-27-13, Comp 5-19-13; production is through treated perfs: 10750-15240. Treat: 1661-31 gal total fluid, 2446969# sd. IP: 5-30-13 Flow 24 hrs 810 BO, 395 BW, 1052 MCF, 21/64" Ch, TP 1150, CP 350, GOR 1299, Gty 44.3. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1280 w/1130 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4907 w/1570 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15277 w/2540 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10244; API #30-025-40792

Devon Energy Production Company LP
Bolton Draw Unit #157
North Paduca; Sec 18 T26S R32E; 330/N & 660/W. BHL: 5078/S & 821/W; EL 3395 GL, TD 12737 MD, 8322 TVD, PBTD 12665; Spud 10-19-12, Comp 5-13-13; production is through treated perfs: 8730-12652. Treat: Frac w/1,216,640# 20/40 white sd, 57,160# 100 mesh sd, 9000 gals 15% HCL, 7541 gal 7.5% HCL, 416,600# 20/40 Super LC, 108,706 gals slick wtr. IP: 6-2-13 Flow 24 hrs 80 BO, 400 BW, 70 MCF, TP 250, GOR 875. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 788 w/956 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4350 w/1200 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12708 w/2835 sx; API #30-025-40584

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hallertau 4 Federal #1
Jennings; Sec 4 T26S R32E; 330/N & 560/W. BHL: 5008/N & 420/W; EL 3310 GL, TD 13558 MD, 9034 TVD, PBTD 13469 MD; Spud 3-31-13, Comp 5-17-13; production is through treated perfs: 8500-13518. Treat: 2976457 gals total fluid, 2490525# sd. IP: 6-12-13 Flow 24 hrs 487 BO, 671 BW, 3561 MCF, 40/64" Ch, TP 1050, CP 40, GOR 7625, Gty 49.7. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1100 w/825 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4535 w/1345 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13518 w/1460 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8200; API #30-025-41069

ConocoPhillips Co.
Ruby Federal #21
West Malajmar; Sec 18 T17S R32E; 1650/S & 1650/E; EL 3972 GL, TD 6930, PBTD 6869; Spud 3-31-13, Comp 5-8-13; production is through treated perfs: 5781-6288. Treat: Acdz w/4960 gals 15%, 208,640# proppant. IP: 5-8-13 Pump 24 hrs 93 BO, 440 BW, 157 MCF, Gty 38.2. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 777 w/500 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6915 w/1520 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6390; API #30-025-40895

Cimarex Energy Co.
Lynch 35 #2
North Berry; Sec 35 T20S R34E; 363/N & 1650/E. BHL: 4943/N & 1967/E; EL 3736 GL, TD 15616, PBTD 15611; Spud 1-13-13, Comp 7-2-13; production is through treated perfs: 11200-15593. Treat: 1,883,816 gals total fluid & 2,769,028# sd. IP: 7-23-13 Pump 24 hrs 152 BO, 420 BW, 231 MCF, GOR 1518.74, Gty 40. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1682 w/1290 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5592 w/2765 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15616 w/2520 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10714; API #30-025-40750

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Boston BSN State Com #1
North Berry; Sec 6 T21S R34E; 2680/S & 660/W. BHL: 2308/N & 705/W; EL 3741 GL, TD 16,363, PBTD 16,305; Spud 5-25-13, Comp 8-9-13; production is through treated perfs: 11857-16305. Treat: Acdz w/45,918 gals 15% HCL, Frac w/3,907,540# TGA ISP 30/50 sd. IP: 8-6-13 Flow 24 hrs 340 BO, 2524 BW, 649 MCF, 24/64" Ch, CP 500. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 548 w/570 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5850 w/1835 sx, 5 1/2 @ 18353 w/2400 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10880; API #30-025-40573

EOG Resources Inc.
Vanguard 30 State Com #1
Red Hills; Sec 30 T24S R34E; 220/S & 835/W. BHL: 1087/S & 375/W; EL 3505 GL, TD 15475 MD, 9296 TVD, PBTD 15435; Spud 11-29-12, Comp 2-20-13; production is through treated perfs: 9475-15361. Treat: Frac w/10370 bbls 7.5% HCL acid, 3286880# 100 mesh sd, 2529020# 40/70 sd, 177828 bbls load. IP: 3-11-13 Flow 24 hrs 807 BO, 971 BW, 1307 MCF, 80/128 Ch, TP 1000, CP 1000, GOR 1441, Gty 42.1. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1300 w/900 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5168 w/1300 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15436 w/2200 sx, 2 7/8 @ 939; API #30-025-40617

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hallertau 5 Federal #1
Wildcat; Sec 5 T26S R32E; 330/S & 330/E. BHL: 5008/S & 676/E; EL 3253 GL, TD 15091 MD, 10541 TVD, PBTD 15088; Spud 2-24-13, Comp 4-14-13; production is through treated perfs: 10600-15037. Treat: 1972562 gals total fluid, 3118409# sd. IP: 5-8-13 Flow 24 hrs 310 BO, 850 BW, 755 MCF, 48/64" Ch, CP 800, GOR 2435, Gty 46. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1132 w/980 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4430 w/1340 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15089 w/2210 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9955; API #30-025-40436

ConocoPhillips Co.
Ruby Federal #57
Maljamar; Sec 18 T17S R32E; 330/S & 2552/W. BHL: 415/S & 2991/W; EL 3961 GL, TD 6947, PBTD 6947; Spud 5-18-13, Comp 6-14-13; production is through treated perfs: 5550-5450, 6920-6600. Treat: 25,508 gals spearhead, 1512 gals 15% HCL, 510,048# proppants. IP: 7-8-13 Pump 24 hrs 46 BO, 325 BW, 75 MCF, Gty 38.3. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 741 w/500 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6933 w/1420 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6704; API #30-025-40657

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Merit 32 DM State Com #1
Scharb; Sec 32 T18S R35E; 245/N & 330/W. BHL: 4941/N & 375/W; EL 3932 GL, TD 14946, PBTD 14933; Spud 11-17-12, Comp 1-11-13; production is through treated perfs: 10863-14930. Treat: Frac w/161,364 gals slickwater, 329,516 gals 20# linear gel, 1,811,312 gals 20# XL gel carrying 2,526,100# 20/40 sd & 572,400 SB excel. IP: 1-18-13 Pump 24 hrs 291 BO, 586 BW, 155 MCF, GOR 530, Gty 39.8. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1887 w/1400 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3485 w/1650 sx, 7 @ 10690 w/1250 sx, 4 1/2 @ 10467-14933, 2 7/8 @ 10141; API #30-025-40836

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Prickly Pear 6 Federal #4
Wildcat; Sec 6 T20S R35E; 270/N & 1130/W. BHL: 5012/N & 770/W; EL 3697 GL, TD 15540 MD, 11105 TVD, PBTD 15230 MD, 11111 TVD; Spud 10-11-12, Comp 12-13-12; production is through treated perfs: 11246-15141, 15200-15210. Treat: 29006 gals 7.5% acid, 2999470# sd, 2236728 gals fluid. IP: 1-2-13 Flow 24 hrs 758 BO, 228 BW, 509 MCF, 24/64" Ch, TP 920, CP 680. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1936 w/1620 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3750 w/1090 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15264 w/2050 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10420; API #30-025-40778

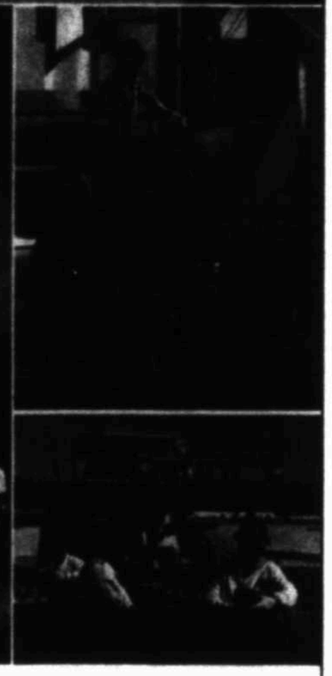
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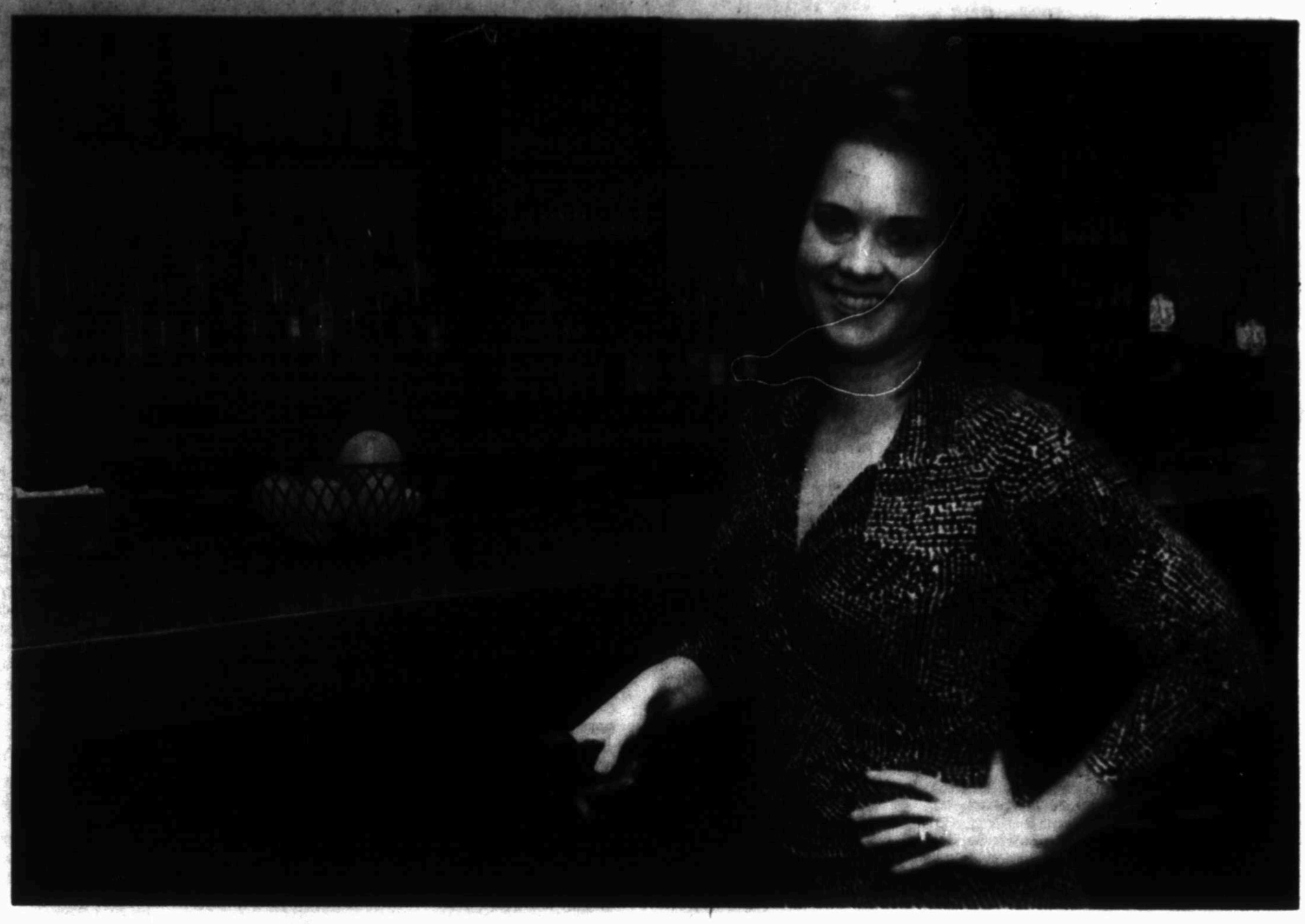
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WOMEN IN THE ARTS
NIGHTLIFE



Bar owners help shape the entertainment scene for Midland

By Rich Lopez
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Editor's note: March is Women's History Month and to celebrate, the Reporter-Telegram is highlighting a handful of Midland women who are making significant contributions to the local arts and entertainment scene. Women in the Arts stories will run every Sunday in the Arts section.

From happy hour to a night out on the town, Midland nightlife runs the gamut of entertainment from live music to crafted drinks and more. At the same time, its existence is a down right "told ya so" to those who are convinced there is nothing to do in this town — a recognizable mantra in the city said aloud by native Midlanders, working visitors and temporary residents. But there are those who work to defy those odds and do so successfully. From rock 'n' roll to on the rocks, three women thrive in turning Midland's nightlife into a vibrant scene.

THE LITTLE BAR THAT COULD

The small hole-in-the-wall spot The Detour Bar on Rankin Highway has been open for six years. The sign isn't hard to miss but without much fanfare, save for a simple wall sign announcing Thursday night karaoke at 9 p.m. that adorns the front outer wall, the building sits unassuming. But upon entering, the place is an oasis of a dive bar. While that term may conjure up boozy images of hapless patrons, Detour is far from that and that's thanks to co-owner and founder Barbara Williams.

"We just wanted a cool place to play pool," she said.

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At top, Erica Mann Reeves, co-owner of The Blue Door; Above, Erika Berry, owner of the Blue Max, stands next to a wall with mementoes from some of the bands that have played at the bar. Above left, Barbara Williams, co-owner of The Detour Bar.

Photos above and at top by Tim Fischer *Photo above left by Rich Lopez*

Warhol explored complicated race relations with artwork



Many people do not think of pop art as explicitly political. Pop art was the art movement of the 1950s and 1960s that borrowed images from popular culture and made them fine art. The images that come to mind are those taken from comic strips, celebrities and soup cans. Pop art was often about reflecting society back to its viewers, in a way that made people think and examine their everyday lives and the mass culture that surrounded them. Some of the biggest names in pop art tackled serious issues of the day, and got people thinking about big ideas and problems in new ways.

Andy Warhol might be the quintessential pop artist; he is certainly one of the most iconic American artists of the 20th century. His most famous works are not what we think of as political art, but throughout his career he dealt with political and social issues such as the death penalty, criminals at large, political assassination, the atomic bomb and race riots. The artist usually claimed his work had no political persuasion or tendencies, but that it speaks for itself. Many of Warhol's works of art can be interpreted in terms of their style and art historical significance, but a work like Birmingham Race Riot from 1964 has to be looked at through the lens of the social and political issues of the day. This screen print is taken directly from a series of photographs taken by the artist and activist Charles Moore, who documented the civil rights movement and published his images in Life magazine. Warhol took Moore's image, enhanced a section, and screen printed it. In other versions of the work he used different color processes and image distortions. The end result is a photographic image that is abstracted, with a larger distinction between black and white, and a focus on the movements of the German shepherds attacking a black man.

Moore's original images of the events in Birmingham were a crucial record of the American civil rights movement. Photography played an important role in the movement, documenting acts of racial discrimination against African Americans, and bringing these images into the public consciousness. Birmingham was one of the epicenters of the civil rights movement, with the Birmingham campaign in 1963 led by Martin Luther King Jr. The campaign was famous for having younger people involved in demonstrations with the end result forcing desegregation in

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SUNDAY

THE ELLEN NOËL ART MUSEUM: Adventures in Art for children 6-12. Monthly art classes held the first Sunday of the month from 2:30-4:30 p.m. Series of gallery walks, art history and creative studio art classes. Advance registration and payment required. $15 per class ($18 for ceramics), or $108 for the entire year of classes. Class size is limited. Scholarships are available. www.noelartmuseum.org.

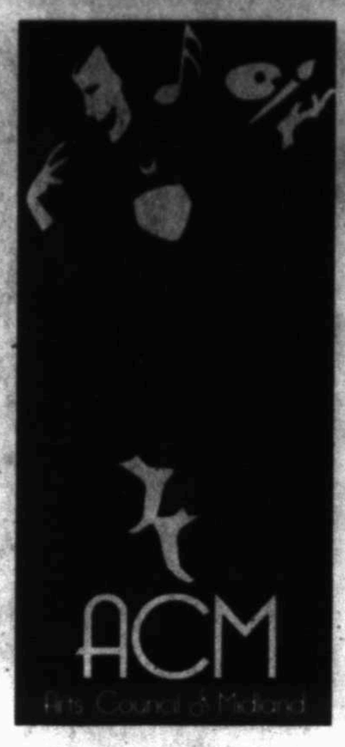
This month's class is ceramics. Tour current exhibitions and design and glaze a ceramic tile to be fired in the museum kiln.

Geranium pre-sale through Monday. Set of six 6-inch pots for $45. All orders must be picked up by 5 p.m. April 11.

The Ellen Noël Art Museum is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. For more information visit www.noelartmuseum.org or call 550-9696.

GEORGE BUSH CHILDHOOD HOME: Historic home. Tour unique landmark home to two presidents, two governors and a first lady. Listed on the National Register of Historic Sites and restored to the 1950s period when the Bush family lived in the home. Gift shop features 1950s toys, books, clothing and patriotic items. 1412 W. Ohio Ave., 685-1112. Tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged.

FREDDA TURNER



DURHAM CHILDREN'S MUSEUM: "Print It! The Art of Making Multiples" through March 23. Permanent exhibits include "My Town," "Beach Babies" and "Touch of Sound." Regular museum hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882. Admission charged.

MIDLAND COMMUNITY THEATRE: "Mary Poppins the Musical" 2 p.m. in Davis Theatre I, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. Recommended for the entire family. Co-produced by Lissa Noel Wagner and Francis and Jack Brown. www.mctmidland.org

MUSEUM OF THE SOUTHWEST: Exhibit: "Barnaby Fitzgerald's Moments, Still Lives and Figures" through March 23. First featured artist of the Contemporary Series 2014 in the Here and Now Gallery. "Estamos Aqui (We are Here)" through March 16.

Permanent exhibits: Taos Master: Taos Society of Artists collection on view all year. MSW Sculpture Park has 14 sculptures on display. Pick up a walking guide with descriptions of all sculptures. Art Museum, Children's Museum and Planetarium all located on the campus at 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. General admission: $5 adults, $3 children.

PERMIAN BASIN PETROLEUM MUSEUM, LIBRARY AND HALL OF FAME: Museum hours 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 2-5 p. m. Sunday, 1500 Interstate 20 West, 683-4403.

MONDAY

HALEY LIBRARY AND HISTORY CENTER: 1805 W. Indiana Ave. 682-5785. Regular hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Free.

MIDLAND ARTS ASSOCIATION: Artist display: Richard Reese will display his artwork in the Community National Bank Lobby at 401 W. Texas Ave. during the month of March. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays. Closed Saturdays and Sundays.

MIDLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM: Exhibit honoring World War II veterans in cooperation with the Texas Historical Commission's three-year program. Permanent exhibits: Native American artifacts; early Midland photos and relics; replica of Midland Man discovery; early obituary files available for research, 301 W. Missouri Ave. Open 2-5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Call 682-2931 or 688-8947. Free.

MIDLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Historic home: Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland, 213 N. Weatherford St., 682-5447. Open by appointment.

ODESSA COLLEGE: 201 W. University Blvd. Call 335-6640 for Options Gallery schedule. Free.

SCARBOROUGH-LINEBERRY HOUSE: Historic home: 802 S. Main St., 685-7368. Open by appointment and available for rental for weddings and other special occasions.

TALL CITY CLOGGERS: Dances every Monday at M-Squarena. Information about clogging can be obtained by contacting Lynn Myers, 697-6416 or danznfool@grandecom.net

TUESDAY

MIDLAND COMMUNITY BAND: Weekly meeting. New members always welcome. 7-9 p.m. at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. For more information call Walter McClure at 260-7136.

THE MIDLAND COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION is proud to present the chambers groups of the Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale. Permian Basin String Quartet's "Something Borrowed Somethin' Blue," 5:15 p.m. at the Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. For more information, contact Edward McPherson at 742-7438 or libadm02@co.midland.tx.us.

PALETTE CLUB: Painting time at 9 a.m.-noon Tuesdays. Meeting and demo scheduled on second Tuesday of the month. For more information contact Diane K. Browne at 664-3197. Palette Club members offering art class are Ken Rowland, kenrowland8@gmail.com; Judy Tartt, jjtartt@suddenlink.net; Fritzi Heron, heronartconnection@sbcglobal.net; and Ginger Witte, artpourvous1@gmail.com.

PERMIAN BASIN DANCE CLUB: Live Country Western Band every Tuesday, 7:30-10 p.m. at St. Stephen's Catholic Church ballroom, 4601 Neely Ave. Members $5, non-members $6. Alcohol and smoke free environment. 520-3434 or 218-8215.

SIBLEY NATURE CENTER: 4-H Photography Club meeting, 6:30 p.m. 1307 E. Wadley Ave. For more information call 684-6827 or email info@sibleynaturecenter.org

WEDNESDAY

ARTQUEST STUDIOS: Reserved studio time. Artists can reserve space to work alongside other artists. Because no instruction is being given, work done can be entered in competitions. Space limited to eight artists at a time. $35 per month. Space is reserved on a monthly basis. 700 Andrews Highway. For more information, email heronartconnection@sbcglobal.net, call 553-0420 or go to www.artquesttx.com.

THURSDAY

THURSDAY NIGHT DANCE CLUB OF ODESSA: Now dancing at 301 E. 61st St. Live country-western music 7:30-10 p.m. Members $5, non-members and guest $6. Alcohol- and smoke-free environment. Call 697-0281 or 631-6125.

FRIDAY

BLAKEMORE PLANETARIUM: Permanent exhibits are open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday. Sky shows 4:15 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 7:15 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Friday and 1:15 p.m. and 3:45 p.m. Saturday. Admission charged. 1705 W. Missouri Ave. For more information, call 683-2882.

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"The Complete Works of William Shakespeare: Abridged" 8 p.m. in Mabee Theatre II. Recommend for 12 and older. 2000 W Wadley Ave. www.mctmidland.org

MUSEUM OF THE SOUTHWEST: Star Party through March 16. Join the West Texas Astronomers in Haley Park, behind the Marian Blakemore Planetarium, for an up-close view of the stars in the night sky. Parties begin at dusk. 1705 W. Missouri Ave. 683-2882 or www.museumsw.org

NANCY FYFE CARDOZIER GALLERY, UTPB: Constituents work by Rebecca Hermann through April 13. Free and open to the public. Gallery hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 2-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

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SAVE THE DATE

MUSEUM OF THE SOUTHWEST AND MIDLAND ARTS ASSOCIATION: "Texas Artists Today" Spring Juried Art Exhibition. Call for entries from Texas artists for a chance to be juried into the MAA Spring Art Exhibit at the Museum of the Southwest. Entry fee is $45 for non-members and $30 for members. $4,000 given in prizes. Deadline for entry is March 15. Download prospectus at www.maatx.org. For more information, email sara@artbysaradb.com

THE MIDLAND-ODESSA SYMPHONY & CHORALE: Vintage Harmony Fundraiser featuring the art of Baron Batch 7 p.m. March 29 at the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum. Batch, West Texas-born artist, Texas Tech alum and NFL player, will create an original piece of art while MOSC's Permian Basin String Quartet performs movements from Vivaldi's Four Seasons. www.mosc.org

SPRING BREAK FINE ARTS CAMP: Seuss on the Loose: Join MCT's Pickwick Players and education directors, Bill Williams and Judith Giebler, for a week of fun and excitement combining drama, art, music and more to create a Seuss-tacular spring. Classes begin March 10. Classes are for students kindergarten through sixth grade. Class dates are March 10-15. Classes are 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Call Judith at 682-2544 ext 121.

ARTS COUNCIL OF MIDLAND'S 31st annual Celebration of the Arts is April 4-5.

Arts Council of Midland maintains a calendar of all submitted arts-related activities. To avoid conflicts with other organizations, please call 687-1149, P.O. Box 3494, Midland, TX 79702; or email info@acmidland.org. To submit events see use form from www.acmidland.org.

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12 Digital readout abbr.
15 Workout target
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21 Sushi tuna
22 Rolling rock
23 Admirer banned for overzealousness?
25 It's read monthly
27 Farmer
28 Begets
30 Comparatively poor
31 Table d'hôte alternative
34 Coveted annual honor
36 Tuscaloosa-to-Huntsville dir.
37 Stretch named for a leader, perhaps
40 Not even part-time
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44 Contemporary poetry competition?
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50 Scintilla
52 Imitate a hot dog?
56 Like the worst excuse
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60 Dolphins' order
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68 Shop _ you drop
69 Something the plumber's never seen before?
73 Hardly hipsters?
75 _ & Perrins: Worcestershire sauce
76 Macho sort
78 Shoppe sign words
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81 Flower children?
83 Long-faced
87 "Meh"
88 Grateful, maybe?
90 Marsupials sometimes called a bear
91 Ancient fertility goddess
95 San Diego mascot's topper?
100 Follow the Scarlet Speedster?
104 Wind in a pit
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114 Hamlet and Ophelia, e.g.
116 Payday, for one
120 Nostalgic, in a way
122 Eating contest winner's paunch?
125 _ uproar
126 Kingston Trio hit for whose hero Boston's CharlieCard was named
127 Daughter of Zeus
128 _ Gay
129 Standard Oil brand
130 "Errare humanum _," Seneca
131 Looked impolitely
132 Swedish pop singer, known by one name

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3 Shift neighbor
4 Sitar accompaniment
5 Bay window
6 Good, in some cases
7 Preposition with multiple homonyms
8 Criminal intent, in law
9 Not qualified
10 Rubbernecks
11 Article in Die Zeit
12 Jet _
13 Pulpit locale
14 Part of CDC
15 Skedaddled
16 Bodega patron
17 Skin care brand
18 Rodeo prop
24 Pull the plug on
26 "Heavens to Betsy!"
29 Dry Italian wine
32 They're burned on purpose
33 Pledge of Allegiance ender
35 Road mark, cause, maybe
37 Disney's "_ and the Detectives"
38 Italia's capital
39 Biblical Rodin work
42 Pre-performance feeling
43 Air filter acronym
45 Cast out
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88 Jans' comics mate
89 First Super Bowl MVP
92 What jerks serve
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94 Touches
96 Block and tackle, e.g.
97 Creator of Watson
98 Cedar Rapids college
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100 Oscar role for Meryl
101 Long-legged waders
102 Kitchen emanations
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115 Like an oeil-de-boeuf window
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GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Lovely hand

East-West vulnerable. West deals.

NORTH
♠ A Q 8 7
♡ A K 7 6 3
♢ J 3
♣ Q 6

WEST
♠ K 4 3
♡ J 9 8 4
♢ A Q
♣ A 9 7 4

EAST
♠ J 2
♡ Q 10 5
♢ 8 6 4 2
♣ J 10 8 2

SOUTH
♠ 10 9 6 5
♡ 2
♢ K 10 9 7 5
♣ K 5 3

The bidding:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1♣	DBl	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	3♢
Pass	4♣	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Opening lead: Three of ♠

North's sequence — double followed by a free bid — shows a bit more than he held. South, expecting a better hand from North, was well within himself when he looked for game by bidding his other suit. North, who already owed the bank for his earlier bidding, leaped to game! South might have carried on anyway. Could South find a way to make it?

Declarer couldn't allow East to gain the lead, so he played dummy's queen of trumps at trick one. Good start! Next came the ace of hearts and a heart ruff, followed by a low club toward the queen. West had to duck, so the queen won and another heart was ruffed.

South was now in firm control. He led a trump to dummy's ace and cashed the board's two good hearts. West discarded on the last heart rather than ruff, but he was just postponing the inevitable. Declarer put West on play by exiting with a trump. West could cash his two minor suit aces, but he had to surrender a trick to one of South's kings.

Running the opening lead around to his 10 would be declarer's percentage play on another day. Today, it would have led to defeat after a diamond shift from East.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, March 2, 2014:

This year you express your creativity through a combination of unusually insightful thinking and practicality, which could signify a very successful year. ARIES gives you strong guidance.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Use the morning to get some extra sleep. When you finally perk up midday, you will be ready to greet others. Tonight: Could go till the wee hours.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ Use the morning to get together with loved ones. You might enjoy a leisurely brunch with family or friends. Tonight: Get some R and R.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ You seem to have had a lot of pressure put on you. By midday, you'll note a difference as to how you respond to invitations. Tonight: So what if tomorrow is Monday?

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Make a long-distance call in the morning, before you join your family. Responsibility will beckon to you later in the day. Tonight: Could be very late.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ You can relate effectively to others in the morning. Those on the receiving end will enjoy hearing from you. Reach out to others. Tonight: Great company.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ Make and return calls in the morning. A partner or dear loved one could have a surprise or a secret for you. Tonight: Hang with a favorite pal.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ Finish up a project in the morning, while you are still energetic. Later in the day, you will note a tendency to let a friend dictate plans. Tonight: A social butterfly.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Your possessiveness could emerge and make you and others feel uncomfortable. It would be better to avoid getting into a power play. Tonight: Be naughty and nice.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You could be surprised by a loved one in the afternoon. Your response will be authentic, which will delight others. Tonight: What would you most like to do?

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ You could be overwhelmed by the amount of calls you receive in the morning. Make it a point to do what you want for a change. Tonight: Order in.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Make sure that you can afford your plans for later in the day. You might have made a purchase that you couldn't resist. Tonight: Deal with a roommate and/or loved one.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ It is questionable whether you can be stopped when you give in to impulsiveness and a friend's request. Tonight: Buy a favorite dessert for a loved one.

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BORN TODAY

Musician Jon Bon Jovi (1962), author Tom Wolfe (1931), author Dr. Seuss (1904)

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

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Trinity School presented the musical 'King & I' last weekend at the Yucca Theatre.

Mary Powers

WOMEN

From 1H

With simple inspiration, she and business partner Rusty Hoffman opened the Detour Bar as not only a place for pool and drinks but also a sort of haven for Midlanders. She wanted to offer a place that was clean, cozy and ultimately comfortable.

"People over 21 can come for drinks after work, catch a live band or karaoke," she said. "We grill out back on Sundays and will have whatever sport on the television sets."

That was part of her vision six years ago and now that's grown. As Detour established its place in Midland nightlife, Williams wants to expand its offerings but not lose its charm. Although not too far from it with the current schedule, she wants Detour to offer something every night.

"I'd love for us to have live entertainment seven days a week," she said. "And I try to diversify the entertainment so sometimes its rock or blues or something else, but right now we have our bands out on Fridays."

Williams is modest about her work. So much so that she even is at a loss for words when she talks about herself. And yet, that humility is what gives her the edge she needs to run a successful venue.

"You know, I just love people and everyone has a different story. I think that gives me somewhat of an edge. Everyone who walks in is important to me and I want this to be a place to vent their problems. But I always keep an eye on everyone to make sure they're OK. It's a bar, it's a music venue, but it's also a safe place," she said.

1708 Rankin Highway. Thedetourbar.com

The Old Fashioned

For Erica Reeves, The Blue Door was a "10-year conversation that finally happened." As co-owner with her husband Cody, the Reeveses stepped up the game for drinks in Midland with their bar. Avid travelers, they were seeing the trend in bigger cities of bars growing into more than just a place to throw one back.

"We liked the idea of going back to classic cocktails from the early 1900s," she said. "We discovered that going out for a beverage was more than just a rum and coke. When we met this couple in Portugal who was about our age who owned a bar, we thought we could do it. And within three months, we had a business plan."

The Blue Door prides itself on serving classic cocktails true to form. With research and a curiosity, Reeves and her staff dive into the proper and original ways some cocktails have been done. Some of the bestselling drinks are the ones likely heard on "Mad Men" like the Old Fashioned, the Manhattan and of course, the classic martini. But they don't stop there.

"We have seasonal menus and while about 60 percent are older cocktails, we do have some of our own creations like the cuke cooler, a blend of agave, cucumber, vodka and mint, or the blind pig, a very boozy drink we serve in a glass flask," she said.

Reeves compares the laid-back vibe to fellow drink spots The Hemingway and the Wine Rack, but she is proud of the fact that The Blue Door is a full cocktail nonsmoking bar — something she thought was lacking in Midland. The Blue Door contributes to Midland with an air of sophistication that isn't alienating. And thanks to a knowledgeable staff, gives more of a touch to the experience than merely a drink.

"We're doing unique things in the area and we have our rotating menus and cocktail creations of the day and I'm really proud of my staff for that. They're very educated and I know that when guests come in, our staff can go on about the history or makeup of a drink they order. I think customers appreciate that," she said.

She credits much of the Door's success to the influx of young professionals coming into Midland and even looks to them as the ones who will upgrade the local nightlife scene whether it's in the vicinity of the Door up north or in downtown, which she said is aching for vitality.

"I'm a big proponent of downtown revitalization. It's important to Midland, especially with the city's growth. But I think it also rests on young people and not losing them once they graduate from school to bigger cities. Our demographic is that young professional but if downtown had more options and was more walkable, I think that could contribute to a quality of life as far as entertainment," Reeves said.

4610 N. Garfield St., Suite D-1C. 432-218-8793 or find them on Facebook.

The rock steady

You could say The Blue Max is off the beaten path off of Industrial Avenue heading toward the airport, but its location also is part of its rebellious attitude. The Max's charm lies in its simplicity of being a straightforward hangout. Well, that and Erika Berry, the feisty owner who talks about the venue as if it were her own child.

For two years she's overseen the bar after she bought it from former boss and owner Derek Wingo. She's been tending bar, booking the music and cooking in a makeshift kitchen in plain sight. She loves to do it for the bands that drive in from all around. That's the nature of Berry. She's like the mother to all who walk in the door.

"We get told a lot that bands like us because we feed them. I just love doing it but I want to show them our hospitality," she said.

As a stop for touring bands from rock to eclectic, she beamed talking about the diversity of what the Max adds to the scene. From international music to local players, the stages are a welcome to Midland most might not expect. And the lax attitude is likely a plus.

"We're not that strict here about set times," she said, laughing. "It's a nice break for them and we just want bands to have fun."

Berry looks out so much for the bands that she's started an IndieGoGo crowdfunding site to build a cabin on site for bands to lodge while playing to help them avoid the cost of high-dollar hotel rooms.

"They don't wanna do that and likely can't afford it! They can just stay here and be safe and comfortable," she said.

Berry finds running the Max isn't so much about a paycheck as it is about karma. The venue never charges a cover except in really unique circumstances like a bigger (read: more expensive) act. They feed customers and bands and they've hosted outdoor events open to families. The rebellious attitude of the place is left for the posters and random trinkets covering the walls, but in person, the Max is all about heart.

"This is usually therapy for me," she said. "We want to improve our outdoor area and add another stage and work up to doing festivals and benefits. I know there's more of us out here who want diversity and we get to bring that. I think my vision for Midland nightlife is more about community. I'd like to see more people getting out for the experience instead of people getting out just getting drunk."

And sometimes it's even simpler than that for her because in the mostly boys' club of her patrons, and sometimes even beyond, it boils down to one mere fact.

They respect me and that makes me proud, she said.

7409 W. Industrial Ave. Facebook.com/bluemaxrocks

EARLE

From 1H

Birmingham and the eventual passing of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The Birmingham Riots, the subject of the image, were the result of bombings directed at the leaders of the Birmingham campaign.

Warhol's screen print of this photograph is controversial not just because of the racial implications, but the authorship and originality of making a screen print directly from another artist's image (Moore sued Warhol for using his photograph, but Warhol settled out of court). Art of the 1960s is full of controversial images, and it offers an important lens into that tumultuous period. To see Warhol's work and work from others of that era, come to the Museum of the Southwest for Pulled, Pressed & Screened: Important American Prints from the collection of Syracuse University on view through April 20.

Wendy Earle is curator of collections and exhibitions at the Museum of the Southwest.

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NOTEWORTHY
Music in the news

Beck releases 1st of 2 planned albums in 2014

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Beck Hansen really doesn't believe a musician has the right to complain. It's something of an occupational requirement.

"Nobody wants to hear it," he says. "That's not what we're here for. We're here to play music and have a good time."

So it may come as a surprise to many fans that Hansen suffered a spinal injury that kept him from making music in the usual ways for a significant portion of the last decade. He doesn't talk about it a lot and certainly doesn't want to dwell. He found other ways to create as a producer and songwriter during this period, but he will admit he feels a great sense of release now that he's putting out "Morning Phase," just the second album he's completed and released in the last 10 years.

"I was just waiting until I felt like I was able to do what I used to do," the 43-year-old Hansen said. "There's not anything particularly unique about it, but it's something that I did learn from. It was a difficult experience, but in any kind of difficulty there are positives. And I think that's particularly what the record is about: How to come out of some sort of travail and difficulty and find some sense of light again and life continuing. Once you've seen some things that are darker and you know that darkness is there, how do you embrace the other side of life?"

Beck's embracing it with a period of great creativity and will soon return to the studio to record a second album he plans to release later this year. At times while injured he was unable to hold conventional instruments, turning to substitutes, like a hand-held keyboard to write and record. He's returned to live performance over the last few years and feels he's been transformed by the experience in ways he struggles to explain — as much metaphysical as physical.

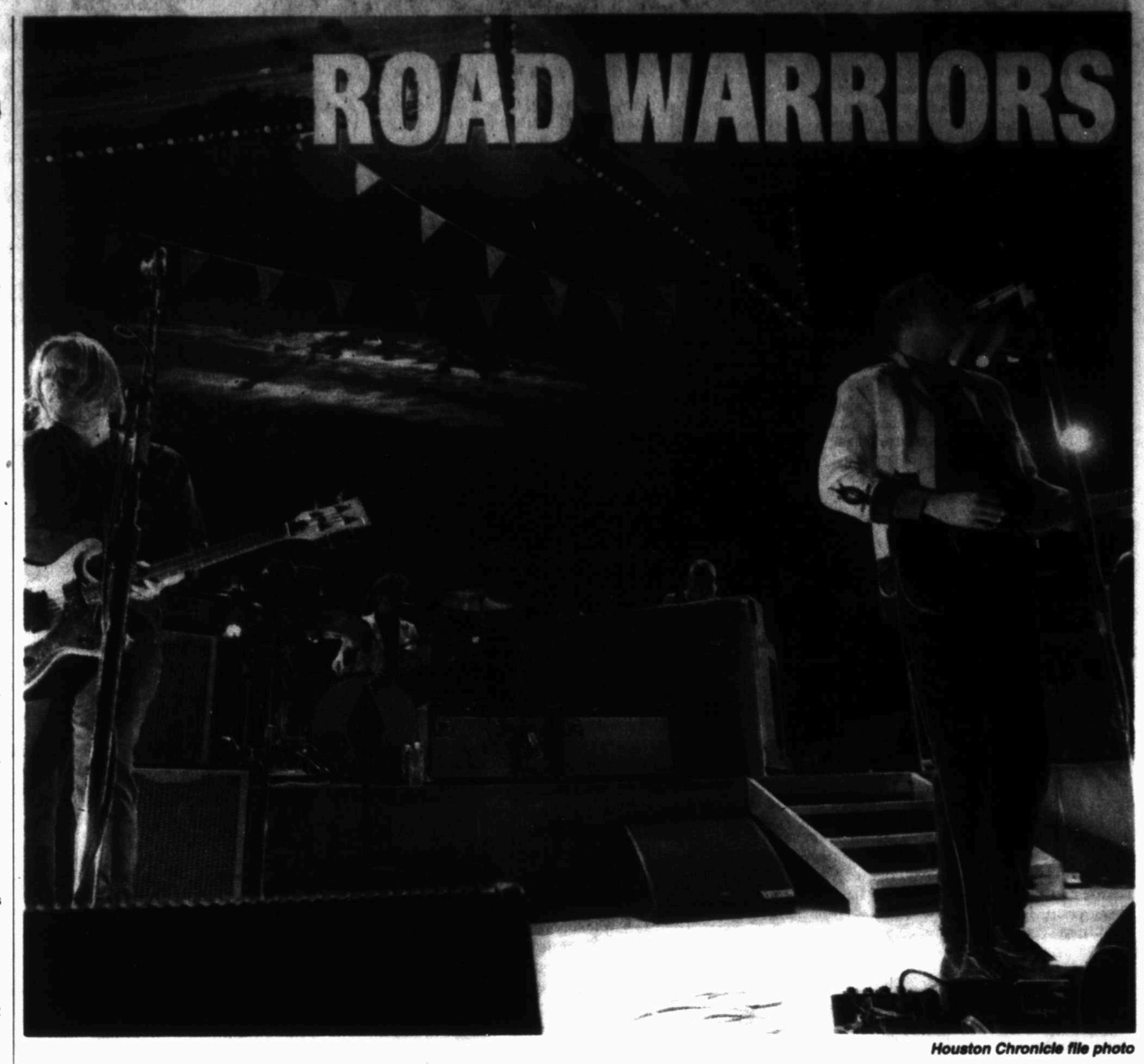
"There's a point where a kind of pessimistic view can take hold and be a means of survival," Hansen said. "And I'm sure anybody encounters those forks in the road where you can go one way or the other, and believe me life is nudging you toward the other direction. It can again and again nudge you toward a darker view of things, and this record in some sense was grappling with that and taking a long hard look at everything and trying to find something redemptive."

He's been left with a newfound sense of patience, he says, and the simple act of putting out an album brings him great joy.

"Morning Phase" really began in 2008 when Beck came to Nashville to record country-flavored songs that he ended up shelving because he didn't feel the tone was correct at the time. He experienced a delay in his plans for a return to the studio, so he reformed the band he leaned on during his most creative period and attacked those Nashville songs from a different angle.

The result sounds very much in mood and color like "Sea Change," the album that revealed Beck's ability to filter deep emotion after playing the sly trickster for much of his early career.

Associated Press



Houston Chronicle file photo

The indie rock band Arcade Fire performs at the Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion on May 4, 2011, in The Woodlands.

Butler brothers at heart of Arcade Fire's success

By Chris Talbott
Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Win and Will Butler, of Arcade Fire, aren't your average brothers.

Sure, they spent their youngest years at odds, as brothers will. But early on they discovered something that would inform the rest of their lives as creative partners at the heart of one of rock 'n' roll's most creative and single-minded bands.

"I left the house when I was 15 to go to boarding school and would come back in the summers, and I started to realize he's the only person I related to in the whole everywhere," Win Butler, 33, said. "There's not too many people in the world where you literally have the exact same influences, so we kind of developed this language to work together where it's really easy."

"That doesn't mean we see everything identically," Will Butler, 31, said. "But it means that, certainly in artistic endeavors, there's a bit more empathy and compassion for each other because we see where they're coming from. And we tend to agree more than two random musicians would."

That relationship is at the heart of Arcade Fire's success and creativity, something that was on full display last week as the Grammy Award-winning group flies from one end of the continent to the other, and back. In the space of three weeks, Arcade Fire members will have played in a Mardi Gras parade while in New Orleans, played "The Tonight Show," performed in Haiti, and then returned home to Montreal for two days to pack for a trip to Los Angeles and the Academy Awards, where the band is up for best original score for its work on "Her."

"Normally when I come back from Haiti, I just look at all the power lines and streets and road signs and I'm just, 'Wow, look at all this infrastructure.'" Win Butler said. "I'm kind of in a daze the first couple of days when I get back to North America. But going from Haiti to the belly of the beast (at the Oscars) is going to be something of a mind blow."

After tonight's show, the group flies directly to Louisville, Ky., for rehearsals and the launch of a summer-long North American tour, interspersed with European festival dates. Add to the hectic mix the birth of a son to Win Butler and his wife and bandmate Regine Chassagne.

The intense workload since the six-piece began recording "Reflektor" last year has required the kind of teamwork the brothers and their band have perfected since Will and Win began writing songs together growing up near Houston.

The band worked on "Reflektor," the follow-up to the 2010 Grammy album of the year "The Suburbs," and Spike Jonze's best picture-nominated film in parallel fashion — the album even contains a song proposed for the score that didn't make the film. They recorded "Reflektor" with James Murphy, of LCD Soundsystem, and Markus Dravs serving as producers, delivering an unpredictable but completely danceable record full of Haitian-influenced rhythms and reflective lyrics.

The work on "Her" began when Win Butler and Chassagne stayed at longtime friend and collaborator Jonze's house in Los Angeles during the early screenwriting process. They traded story and musical ideas about the world Jonze created in the film about a man's love for an artificially intelligent operating system, and quickly came to the conclusion they should score the film.

As both projects came to a simultaneous conclusion, Will Butler took over supervisory duties on the score, working with Jonze and the band's frequent collaborator Owen Pallett. In one case the band was working together toward a shared vision. In the other, they were a contractor trying to match Jonze's needs.

"So that was very, very different," Will Butler said. "There's a lot less drums and a lot less vocals on the soundtrack. And our band is very good at drums and vocals."



LIVEWIRE

MIDLAND/ODESSA/ BIG SPRING/ANDREWS

March

3 **The Zydeco Dots** @ The Bar
5 **Time and Distance** @ Pine Box
5 **The Hollowed** @ Blue Max
6 **Cody Johnson Band** @ Rockin Rodeo
6 **Turbine Toolshed** @ Lone Star Bar
6 **Eli Young Band** @ Graham Central Station
6 **Molly Jean One Whoaman Show** @ Blue Max
6 **Keni Thomas** @ Midland Community Theatre
7 **Shane Rogers Band** @ Detour
7 **Rick Grayson, Holly Tucker (acoustic)** @ First Baptist Church (Midland)
7 **Jeremy Steding** @ Lone Star Bar
7-8 **Moneyshot** @ The Bar
7-8 **Lusk** @ Your Place
8 **Los Lonely Boys** @ Howard County Fair Barn
8 **Big Daddy Weave, Tim Timmons, Group 1 Crew** @ First Baptist Church (Odessa)
8 **'Experience Hendrix' with Jonny Lang, Billy Cox, Rich Robinson, Zakk Wylde, Kenny Wayne Shepherd, Eric Johnson, Brad Whitford of Aerosmith, Chris Layton of Stevie Ray Vaughn's Double Trouble, Doyle Bramhill II, Ana Popovic** @ Wagner Noel
8 **Mike McClure Band, Chris Brazeal Band** @ Lone Star Bar
8 **Austin English Band** @ Redneck's
8 **Murder the Stout** @ Horseshoe (Midland Scottish Irish Faire)
8 **Big Daddy Mermis' 40th Barfday with Antique Scream** @ Blue Max
10 **Run Forever, Narrowed, Moving Forward, Cursed Graves, Oakwood** @ Pine Box
11 **J.D. Wilkes and The Dirt Daubers** @ Blue Max
12 **Dead Last** @ Pine Box
12 **2 Chainz, Pusha T** @ La Hacienda
12 **Next 2 the Tracks** @ Riley's
13 **Jason Boland & The Stragglers** @ Rockin Rodeo
13 **John D. Hale Band** @ Basin Burger House
14 **Banda Sinaloense MS, Pepe Tovar y Los Chacales, Massore** @ La Hacienda
14 **Bobby Champion** @ Detour
14 **Willie Watson** @ ArtiZen
14 **The Band McGraw** @ Redneck's
14 **Dolly Shine** @ Lone Star Bar
14 **The Electric Cowboys** @ The Bar
14-15 **Texas Buckin' Heat Band** @ Your Place
15 **Blue Cats** @ The Bar
15 **Ringworm, Sabertooth, Hollow Breath, New Spirit** @ Industrial Skate Park
15 **Jim Ed Brown, Helen Cornelius, T.G. Sheppard, Jimmy Fortune, Leroy Van Dyke** @ Wagner Noel
15 **Hundredth, Counterparts, Rescuer, Betrayel Souls, Astreas** @ Pine Box
15 **No Dry County** @ Lone Star Bar
15 **Aces Over Eights** @ Redneck's
16 **Alesana, Hearts & Hands, Farewell My Love, Get Scared** @ Club Patron
16 **Lone Star Brass** @ Rea-Greathouse Recital Hall
16 **Bring It On The Musical** @ Wagner Noel
16 **Brent Loveday and the Dirty Dollars, The Vitals, Cruz** @ Blue Max
17 **Cruz, The Vitals** @ Blue Max
18 **Travis Brown and Out of Gas** @ Blue Max
18 **"Bring it On the Musical"** @ Wagner Noel
18 **The Devil Wears Prada, The Ghost Inside, I Killed The Prom Queen, Dangerkids** @ Club Patron
18 **Traveling Broke & Out of Gas** @ Blue Max
20 **Curtis Grimes** @ Permian Playhouse
20 **Whiskey Myers** @ Rockin Rodeo
20 **Hard Fall Hearts** @ Blue Max
21 **Stevie Ochoa and the Brokedown Low Riders** @ Detour
21 **Shinyribs, Lincoln Durham** @ Yucca Theatre
21 **Jody Nix and The Texas Cowboys** @ Lobne Star Bar
21 **Wade Bowen** @ Graham Central Station
21 **Whiskey Dick, Walker and the Texas Dangers** @ Blue Max

LUBBOCK

March

5 **DMX** @ Jake's
15 **Asking Alexandra, August Burns Red, We Came as Romans, Crown the Empire, Born of Osiris** @ Lone Star Events Center

NEW MEXICO

March

3 **George Thorogood & The Destroyers** @ IOMG

DALLAS-FORT WORTH AREA

March

2 **AfroMen** @ The Arrdcark
4 **Lords, Lo-Pang** @ South Side Ballroom
5 **"Winter Jam" with Newsboys, Lecrae, Tenth Avenue North, Thousand Foot Krutch, Plumb, NewSong, Colton Dixon, Everfound, Derek Minor, Nick Hall** @ Fort Worth Convention Center
7 **Childish Gambino** @ South Side Ballroom
8 **Ana Popovic** @ Hal Tricks Sports Bar (Lewisville)
9 **Lacuna Coil, Sick Puppies, Eyes Set To Kill, Cliver** @ Gas Monkey Grill

