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Baker Hughes to list all fracturing chemicals

Oilfield services company to release all information with no exemption for trade secrets

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — A major supplier to the oil and gas industry says it will begin disclosing 100 percent of the chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing fluid, with no exemptions for trade secrets. The move by Baker Hughes of Houston is a shift for a major firm; it's unclear if others will follow suit.

The oil and gas industry has said the chemicals used are disclosed at tens of thousands of wells, but environmental and health groups and

government regulators say a loophole that allows companies to hide chemical "trade secrets" has been a major problem.

A statement on the Baker Hughes website said the company believes it's possible to disclose 100 percent "of the chemical ingredients we use in hydraulic fracturing fluids without compromising our formulations," to increase public trust.

"This really good news. It's a step in the right direction," said Dr. Bernard Goldstein, the former dean of the University of Pittsburgh Graduate

School of Public Health. "One hopes that the entire industry goes along with it."

But Goldstein noted one "major hedge" in the Baker Hughes position, because the company said it will provide complete lists of the products and chemical ingredients used in fracturing fluids "where accepted by our customers and relevant governmental authorities."

Still, Goldstein said the Baker Hughes language sets a new standard for transparency and "clearly distinguishes them from Halliburton,"

another major industry supplier.

A Halliburton spokeswoman did not immediately respond to requests for comment.

A boom in drilling has led to tens of thousands of new wells being drilled in recent years using the fracturing process. A mix of water, sand and chemicals is forced into deep underground formations to break rock apart and free oil and gas. That's led to major economic benefits but also fears that the chemicals used in the

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The Sisters of St. Francis in Philadelphia are pushing Chevron to reveal hydraulic fracturing data and issue reports on the amount of fresh water used for shale drilling.

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THE VIEW BACKSTAGE



People filled the seats Thursday at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center for the opening night of "Les Miserables," performed by Midland Community Theater and the Midland-Odessa Symphony and Chorale. However, the best seat in the house might have been backstage. Actors practiced their lines one final time as they eagerly anticipated taking the stage, and stagehands orchestrated the sound and scenery to ensure the show went on without a hitch.

"Les Miserables" will be performed again at 7:30 p.m. today. Visit wagnernoel.com for ticket information.

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Security adviser says communities should think about resiliency

By Rachael Gleason

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Finding weaknesses that bring a system to its knees is what protective security adviser Charles "Buck" Hamilton gets paid to do.

If the Department of Homeland Security accepts his most recent proposal, it's a strategy he could bring to the Permian Basin to assess cybersecurity in the oil patch.

"We've got such a dynamic oil and gas industry here, and it's so important to the welfare of the nation," he said during Thursday's Brown Bag Lunch and Lecture at the Petroleum Museum. "I have a good chance of getting it accepted."

Working out of El Paso as a security adviser in the private sector and for local, state and federal agencies, Hamilton stressed the importance of homeland security and protection programs.

He said communities of any size and growth should focus on the basics and think resiliency.

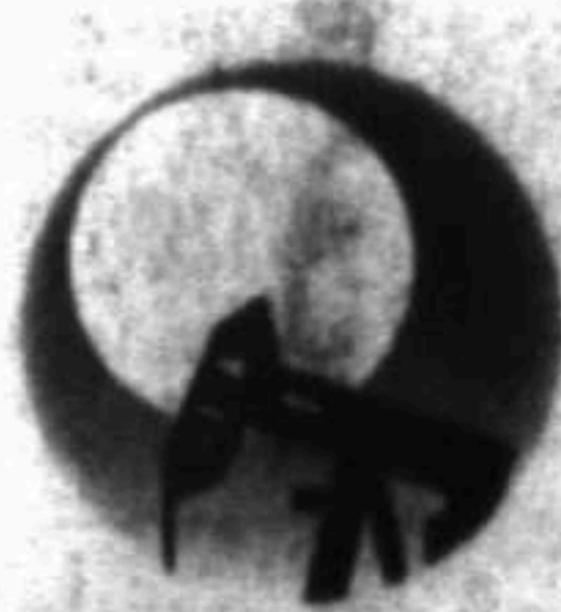
"Resiliency in West Texas is how often you get back on your feet," he said. "Getting back on your feet is part of an emergency response continuum."

The retired Marine lieutenant colonel and Lubbock native pointed to several homeland security tools to help communities and businesses prepare for emergencies, including the Homeland Security Information Network. He said any failure can lead to cascading events, but counterterrorism will require the highest degree of "vigilance and dedication from all of us."

"In good ol' West Texas, you have to look out for your neighbor," Hamilton said.

The DHS runs between 10 to 15 regional risk assessment programs each year, and Hamilton said they require a lot of work and man-hours. But areas of

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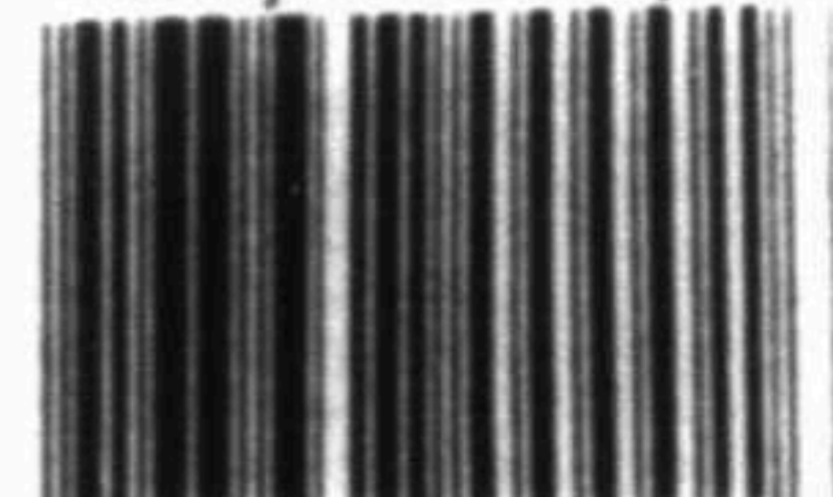
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Obituaries



Alice Elizabeth Siler Kauffman

Alice Elizabeth Siler Kauffman, affectionately known as Betsy, passed away Monday, April 21, 2014. She was a proud 13-year survivor of pancreatic cancer.

A memorial service and Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity on Friday, April 25, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. The Reverend Barbara Kirk-Norris will be the celebrant.

She was born April 19, 1928 in Waynesville, North Carolina to William Rufus and Anna Boone Siler. She entered St. Mary's Academy in Raleigh, North Carolina, and completed her BA degree from the Women's College of the University of North Carolina in 1949.

She attended graduate school at Tulane University in the School of Social Studies. She also completed a Master's Degree at UTPB in 1993 in history. Betsy taught history at San Jacinto Junior High School before becoming chairwoman of the History Department at Alamo Junior High School.

She married Arnold E. (Andy) Kauffman, her husband of 63 years, in 1951 after a courtship in New Orleans, Louisiana.

The wife of a geologist, she lived in New Orleans, Houston, Wichita Falls, Bakersfield, CA, and Dallas before retiring to Georgetown, Texas, and then to Midland. She loved to travel and to go camping. They camped from Maine to Vancouver. She also loved river cruises in Europe.

Betsy was a lifelong Episcopalian and involved with altar guilds in multiple parishes. Women of the Church, and church hospitality committees. After raising four children, she was actively involved in the Assistance League of Dallas. She also served as president of the Assistance League.

Additionally, she was a member of the Junior League, Daughters of the American Revolution, National Society of Colonial Dames, and Children of the Confederacy. Betsy was an avid bridge player.

She was preceded in death by her parents and two sisters, Ann Siler and Emily Siler Rothrock Durban.

She is survived by her husband, Andy; four children, Drew and wife Lexie of Midland, Robert and wife Michele of Amarillo, John Boone and wife Dian of Corvallis, Oregon, and Jane Kauffman of Midland.

She is also survived by six grandchildren, Jerrad Kauffman of Midland, Cade and Abigail Kauffman of Midland, Elisabeth Kauffman of Lubbock, Mary Katherine Kauffman of Los Angeles, and Cimarron and Kenai Kauffman of Corvallis, Oregon.

Additional survivors include Mary Ann Way of Waynesville, North Carolina and multiple nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials be made to the University of Texas MD Anderson Hospital and Cancer Institute, Alzheimer's Association, the American Cancer Society, or the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity.



Bobby Dean Shipley

Dean Shipley, 79, of San Angelo, rose to be with His Savior on Easter Sunday, April 20, 2014 at his home following a lengthy illness.

He was born in Snyder, Texas on June 7, 1934 to Maxwell and Floye Shipley. He received his high school diploma from Snyder High School in 1952. He married Clovis Pettitt on October 6, 1955 in Snyder, Texas.

His lifelong profession was in the oil and gas pipeline business, where he eventually retired from Transwestern-Enron after 30 years. Because of his career, he resided in Kermit, Odessa, Houston, and Roswell, New Mexico.

His desire to walk in faith with The Lord led him to become a worshipful master with the Kermit Masonic Lodge, member of various churches throughout his life-time with his current membership at Glen Meadows Baptist Church in San Angelo.

He enjoyed fishing, hunting, carpentry, was an avid golfer, and loved attending Permian football games. Above all else, he enjoyed doing these things with his family. The family best remembers him the most for not only his quick witted sense of humor and hilarious stories but especially for the love and passion he had for them.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Max and Floye Shipley; and a grandson, Brandon Lee Shipley.

Bobby is survived by his wife of 58 years, Clovis Shipley; his son, Terry Shipley and wife Debra of Lubbock; his daughter, Cheere Behrendt and husband Brad of Burnet; his grandson, Justin Shipley and wife Jill of Lubbock; his granddaughter, Kali Behrendt of San Angelo; two great grandchildren, Brandon and Brylee Shipley of Lubbock; a brother, JW Shipley of Midland; and numerous other extended family members and friends.

Visitation and viewing for family and friends will be held at Johnson's Funeral Home in San Angelo from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 24. The funeral will be held at Immanuel Baptist Church in Odessa at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 25, with Pastor Mack Roller officiating. Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors in Odessa will be assisting. Burial and graveside service will follow immediately at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa.

Pallbearers will be Rodney Black, Lance Cardona, Brent Couch, Steve Fowler, Brent Kelley, John "Fig" Newton, Lee Rabe, and Nathan Villaloboz.

The family wishes to express a special thanks to the staff at Interim Home Care and Hospice and Comfort Keepers. Donations may be made to Interim Home Care and Hospice to benefit Alzheimer's patients at 3402 Greenmeadow Dr., Suite B, San Angelo, Texas 76904 in honor of Bobby Shipley.

Family and friends may sign the online register book at www.johnsonsfuneralhome.com.

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



Dr. OC Collins

OC Collins, 89, went home to the Lord on April 23, 2014. He was born in Houston, Texas, March 4, 1925 to OC Collins, Sr. and Mattie Vera (Dill) Collins. He moved to Midland, Texas with his parents in 1925, when he was six months old.

He attended and graduated from Midland schools, working continuously on the family's dairy farm while he was growing up. OC married Frances Palmer, his childhood sweetheart, 70 years ago on May 26, 1944, in Midland.

OC joined the army in 1944, where he served in the Philippine Islands and Japan in World War II. He was discharged in 1947 with a Bronze Star, and a combat infantry award. He was a lifetime member of the VFW.

Following the war, he attended Abilene Christian College and later transferred to the Texas A&M School of veterinary medicine in College Station. After graduation from A&M, he returned to Midland in 1952 where he practiced veterinary medicine for 60 years. He was a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association, Texas Veterinary Medical Association, and the Permian Basin Veterinary Medical Association.

OC served as an Elder of the North "A" and Tennessee Street Church of Christ. In 1958, OC and several other men began working on securing a state charter for a Christian school in Midland. This school was Midland Christian School, which had its first classes at the annex building of North A and Tennessee Street Church of Christ. He was a charter trustee of Midland Christian School, which moved to the school's current location on Culver Street. He served as an Elder at the Golf Course Road Church of Christ for 30 years. OC truly loved serving in the church.

After selling his veterinary clinic, he worked with his wife Frances, who owned Bramwell Yarns of Midland. He also had a pilot's license, and enjoyed SCUBA diving, deer hunting, and politics. He enjoyed travel with Frances, which included trips to China, Korea, Japan, Hong Kong, Brazil, Sweden, England, Holland, Canada, the Cayman Islands, and Mexico, and many states in the US. Later he served as a relief veterinarian in several local veterinary clinics and the SPCA until he was 86.

OC was known for his love of people. His chosen profession was a source of pleasure and he had a lifelong love for animals.

He is survived by his wife, Frances (Palmer) Collins; his children, Allan Collins and his wife Ann of Midland, Karan Marco and her husband Virgil of College Station, Texas, Melody Lewellen and her husband Bill of Midland, and Stephen Collins and his wife Darling of Midland. OC is also survived by 11 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home from 3:00p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 27, 2014. Funeral services will be held at Golf Course Rd Church of Christ in Midland at 10:00 a.m. on Mon-

day, April 28, 2014.

Memorials may be made to Midland Christian School, 2001 Culver Dr., Midland, Texas, 79705 or Home Hospice of Midland.

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

Online condolences can be made at www.npwelch.com.



Loy McCoy (Coy) Hudson

Loy McCoy (Coy) Hudson of Early, Texas died Wednesday April 23, 2014 at his residence.

Coy was born December 24, 1937 in Midland, Texas to Vernon Glenn and Aline Hudson. He attended elementary school and junior high school in Midland and graduated from Pecos High School in 1956. He attended Texas Western College and served in the United States Navy.

Coy married Marthana Cearley on August 6, 1960, in Pecos Texas.

He was employed with the National Auto Parts Association in Pecos and Early, Texas for 40 years, retiring in 2002.

Coy was a member of the First Baptist Church of Early. He had previously been a member of First Baptist Church of Pecos where he served as a Deacon. He was also a Thirty Second Degree Master Mason, a Shriner, a member of the Scottish Rite and a Past Patron Pecos Chapter number 81 Order Of The Eastern Star and Pecos Downtown Lions Club.

He is survived by his wife, Marthana; two sons, John Glenn Hudson and wife Brenda of Las Cruces, New Mexico and Coy Brendan Hudson and wife Rebecca of Pflugerville, Texas; and by four grandchildren, Whitney Cheryl Hudson of San Antonio, Texas, Garrett Ransom Hudson, and Brenna Leigh Hudson of Pflugerville, Texas and Ian Thomas Hudson of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Coy is also survived by members of the Cearley family; his brother and sister-in-law, John Allen and Janie Cearley of Liberty Hill, Texas and their wonderful children. His wife's cousins all loved him as he loved them. He spent many happy days with them and always enjoyed seeing them at the Cearley gatherings.

Pallbearers will be John Allen Cearley, Jr., Nathan Cearley, Garrett Ransom Hudson, Cleve Williams, Joe Legarda and Dennis Moseley.

Visitation for Coy will be April 25 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and services will be April 26 at 2:00 p.m. Both will be held at Heartland Funeral Home located at 303 Early Blvd., Early, Texas 76802 (325)646-9424.

Coy will be laid to rest at 2:00 p.m. at Terrace Cemetery in Post Texas on April 27, with visitation from 12:00 p.m. to 1:45 p.m. at Hudson Funeral Home, located at 615 W. Main Street, Post, Texas 79356 (806)495-2821.

Coy was like a tall tree in the forest. He was our strength and shelter. We all loved him and leaned on him. He will be missed by his family, extended family and his many friends. He was our joy and consolation. We give him back to you, Oh Lord,

though our hearts are filled with sorrow.

Condolences can be offered to the family at heartlandfuneralhome.net.

Death Notices

Alberto Segura Aguirre

Funeral Mass for Mr. Alberto Segura Aguirre of Stanton has been set for Friday April 25, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church with burial following at St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery. Alberto passed away April 22, 2014.

Survivors include her six daughters, Candy Hinojosa, Victoria Brondo, Theresa Conley, Esiquia Marquez, Patricia Aguirre, and Pasquala Gonzales; four sons, Juan Aguirre, Louis Aguirre, Alberto Jr. Aguirre, and Porfirio Aguirre; a brother; 35 grandchildren, 78 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren.

Billie J. Harvey

Billie J. Harvey, 85, of Wink, passed away on April 24, 2014.

Billie is survived by her children, Marti Haws and Megan Beare; four grandchildren; five great grandchildren.

A viewing will be held at American Heritage Chapel on Friday, April 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. with the family gathering to receive friends from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Graveside funeral service will be held on Saturday, April 26, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. Burial to immediately follow at American Heritage Cemetery.

Charles R. Richardson

Charles R. Richardson, 87, of Odessa passed away April 24, 2014. Services are pending with Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors.

Enrique "Ricky" Sabedra, Jr.

Enrique "Ricky" Sabedra, Jr., 44, of Knott, died Wednesday, April 23, 2014. Vigil services will be 7:00 p.m. Thursday, April 24, 2014 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, April 25, 2014 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park, Big Spring.

Survivors include his mother, Virginia Sandavol; a sister; his grandmother; and by other family members.

Ethel Plummer

Ethel Plummer, 89, of Celina, formerly of Andrews, passed away Tuesday, April 22, 2014.

Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday at McNett Funeral Home Chapel in Andrews. Burial will be in the Andrews Old Cemetery.

She is survived by her daughters, Chis Grissom and Cherie Toombs; and nine grandchildren.

Garry Leroy Fowler, Sr.

Garry Leroy Fowler, Sr., 66, passed from this life on Wednesday, April 23, 2014.

He is survived by his wife, Jacqueline "Jackie" Fowler; seven sons: Garry Fowler, Jr., Larry Johnson, Chad Fowler, Clarence Fowler, Travis Watson, Blane Shepker, and Dustin Pierce; three daughters, Melissa Fowler, Felicia Fowler, and Teloa Martin; a brother and a sister; numerous grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and by other family members.

Funeral services with military honors are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Monday, April 28, 2014 at Acres West Funeral Chapel.

Robert Heard, newsman wounded in tower shooting, dies

Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN — In the annals of Texas journalism, Robert Heard stands out for many reasons: a biting wit, a prolific career, a lawyer's understanding of lawmaking, a determination to get the story even at considerable personal risk.

It was the latter trait that catapulted him from news reporter to news figure on Aug. 1, 1966, when he was shot in the shoulder during Charles Whitman's bloody rampage from the top of the University of Texas Tower. Heard, a 36-year-old Associated Press reporter, had

followed two highway patrolmen on a wild sprint across a parking lot, but he forgot his Marine's training to zigzag.

Heard was among more than 30 people wounded by Whitman; 16 others died from their injuries, some years later. From his hospital bed that day, Heard dictated a story that ran in newspapers around the world.

He described his close call this way: "Six more inches and that would have been it."

Heard, 84, of Austin, died April 15 at St. David's Medical Center, of complications following surgery

on a broken hip, according to his wife, Betsy. In recent years, he had also suffered from pulmonary fibrosis.

The son of a Baptist preacher, Robert Lee Heard was born on April 10, 1930, in Big Spring. He earned bachelor's and law degrees at Baylor University, served in the Marines in Korea and briefly taught high school math.

His career included stints at the San Antonio Express-News and the Waco Tribune-Herald, and he published a newsletter, Inside Texas, that focused on UT sports. Along the way, he wrote several

books, including "Dance With Who Brung Us: Quips and Quotes from Darrell Royal," the legendary Longhorns coach.

"He was able to bring to his reporting the experience of having studied law and being able to see both sides of an issue. He could also spin a colorful metaphor and enjoyed doing that," said Ernie Stromberger, a retired reporter who worked with Heard and accompanied him to UT during Whitman's shooting spree.

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STAAR initial passage rates up

The Texas Education Agency announced on Thursday that almost 80 percent of fifth- and eighth-graders passed the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness mathematics test on the first attempt in April.

Initial 2014 math passing rates show an improvement compared to previous years.

For fifth-graders, the passage rate is up to 79 percent from 75 percent in 2012-13. For eighth-graders, the rate is 79 percent, compared to 77 percent in 2012-13.

Reading test passage rates didn't fare as well as math scores.

In fifth grade, 76 percent of students passed on the first attempt, compared to 77 percent in 2012-13. In eighth grade, 82 percent passed, down from 84 percent last year.

State law requires all fifth- and eighth-graders to pass STAAR reading and math tests before moving on to the next grade. A second administration of the test is scheduled in May.

Man struck by stray bullet at private gun range

A 36-year-old man was taken to the hospital Thursday afternoon after he was struck in the lower back by a stray bullet at a private shooting range near County Roads 1110 and 170.

The Midland County Sheriff's Office is still investigating the incident, according to Sheriff Gary Painter.

The extent of the man's injuries are unknown at this time, Painter said.

Deputies received a call just before 4 p.m. The owner of the gun range was not there at the time, but deputies spoke to another man on scene, Painter said.

No other details are available and no citations had been issued as of Thursday evening.

ODESSA

UTPB finalizes charter lottery date

The University of Texas at the Permian Basin has finalized the date of the lottery for its new charter school.

The lottery for the UTPB STEM Academy is set for 6 p.m. Wednesday at the UTPB Library Lecture Hall.

The school's charter required the lottery to take place before May 1, Juli Ratheal, UTPB assistant vice president of research and dean of Graduate Studies, said at a town hall meeting Tuesday evening.

If a grade is not filled by the time of the lottery, students will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis, Ratheal said. As of Tuesday, only kindergarten had exceeded the allotted 44 students per grade, and first grade was nearing the limit.

The science-, technology-, engineering- and math-centered charter school will be open to kindergarten through sixth grades during the first year and add a grade each year until it serves K-12. Each grade will have 44 students, for a total first-year enrollment of 308 students.

There will be two more town hall meetings to address parent questions about the academy: 6 p.m. Tuesday at Woodson Park Community Center, 1010 E. Murphy St., Odessa, and 6 p.m. Thursday at Slater Park Community Center, 1001 W. 38th St., Odessa.

Applications can be completed at www.utpb-stemacademy.org.

What's happening in Midland this weekend? Find out by reading

WEEKENDER

Look for it inside Thursday's edition of the Reporter-Telegram



By Tessa Duvall/Reporter-Telegram

Midland Teen Court awarded six area seniors a total of \$13,000 in scholarships at its annual luncheon at the Petroleum Club on Thursday. The recipients were, from left, Shelby Flatt, Pooja Patel, Melody Davis, Odalys Hernandez, Palvasha Deme and Shelbi Goswick.

Teen Court honors students, awards \$13K in scholarships

By Tessa Duvall
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Lee High School senior Palvasha Deme had been a Midland Teen Court volunteer for nearly two years when her whole perspective on the organization changed.

After a traffic violation last spring, Deme found herself no longer acting as the prosecutor — she was the prosecuted.

"That really opened my eyes to the second chances that Teen Court gives to people because many times we see these individuals as people who have broken the law, but they're just average individuals like you and me," Deme said. "It was truly an eye-opening experience to have that second chance that I was providing to people in my own life."

Deme received the Honorable John G. Hyde Memorial Scholarship, one of six students to be honored at the Midland Teen Court Scholarship Awards Luncheon on Thursday at the Petroleum Club. The Hyde Scholarship, for \$4,000, goes to the most outstanding Teen Court volunteer.

Teen Court awarded a total of \$13,000 in scholarships to the six seniors.

Judge Kyle Peeler presented Deme with the award, and reflected on its namesake.

While searching through old emails, Peeler said he came across a number of emails from Hyde, who died in 2012. Of the first three he read, one was about Teen Court, one was about the Midland Court Residential Treatment

Center and the third was about a yard sale Hyde was planning for a 4-year-old girl with cancer.

"I think volunteerism is important, and I think it would be one of the qualities Judge Hyde would admire about you," Peeler told Deme. "Not necessarily your GPA — he would be in awe of your GPA — but the fact that you help other people. Those emails, those three emails that I read yesterday, you could see that was the kind of person he was. So it's only appropriate and fitting that you receive this award from John Hyde."

Deme, who served more than 70 hours with Teen Court, said she was surprised to receive the top scholarship.

"Hearing Judge Peeler talk about Judge Hyde was absolutely inspiring," she said. "He was such a great and selfless man, and I am more than honored to be taking this memorial scholarship in his name."

Teen Court worked with more than 2,500 area teens in 2013, including volunteers, attorneys and defendants, and is funded entirely by donations.

Amanda Orona, Teen Court executive director, praised the six honorees for their efforts.

"They're really hard-working kids," she said. "They all volunteer their time, and they take time out of their schedule to come with us every Monday. I really appreciate all of them for volunteering with Teen Court."

The 2014 Teen Court

Scholarship recipients each served at least 20 hours with the program. The other honorees are:

- Melody Davis, Lee High School, \$750
- Shelby Flatt, Midland Christian School, \$750
- Shelbi Goswick, Lee High School, \$2,000
- Odalys Hernandez, Lee High School, \$2,500
- Pooja Patel, Lee High School, \$3,000

Acosta, Jones get TCTA's top honors

By Tessa Duvall
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The Texas Classroom Teachers Association has named two Midland ISD employees as recipients of the organization's top honors.

Deborah Acosta, MISD dropout prevention/recovery and at-risk coordinator, was named the TCTA 2013-14 Administrator of the Year in the central office category. Melanie Jones, seventh-grade teacher and the English department chair at Goddard Junior High School, was named the TCTA 2013-14 Faculty Representative of the Year.

Both winners were selected based on nominations submitted by the Midland CTA. The TCTA selects statewide winners in 13 different categories.

Midland CTA leaders wrote that Acosta "rises to the challenge" of her position, according to a TCTA press release.

"Since she has been on the job, MISD's longitudinal dropout rate has consistently decreased — from 16 percent for the Class of 2008 to 9.9 percent for the Class of 2012," according to the release.

Acosta told the TCTA that receiving this award is an added tool to convince



Acosta



Jones

students to never give up on their self-worth.

"We may make mistakes and encounter struggles along the way, but as long as we continue to persevere, our hard work will be recognized," she said in

the release. In recommending Jones, Midland CTA wrote that she is a positive and tireless representative of teachers.

"Melanie has a passionate belief that teachers must be proactive in taking care of themselves and their careers and that TCTA is a fundamental building block in that care," according to the TCTA release.

Midland CTA will recognize its winners at a ceremony 6 p.m. May 6 at Grace Lutheran Church.

TCTA will recognize all 13 winners at a ceremony on June 26 during its annual convention in Fort Worth.

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11:00 am Neutralizing Salt Injectors & Water Wells - by: Mike Small, Licensed Irrigator & Justin Smith, GM
11:30 am Belguard Pavers & Show truck - by: Jacob Grady
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Things to do

- Storytime for children age 3 to 5, 10:30 a.m., Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 685-7376.
- "Les Miserables" with MCT and MOSC, 7:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, wagnernoel.com
- Great Outdoors Expo at the Horseshoe, midlandhorseshoe.com.
- Best of the Basin BBQ Championship with Pat Green and Brian Milson at CAF Benefiting Bynum School, bynumschool.org/bob.
- Davis Mountain State Park open house at Davis Mountain State Park, tpwd.com.
- "Arthur's World" children's exhibit, through June 28 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Meeting today

Midland Development Corp.
8:30 a.m.
City Hall basement
300 N. Loraine St.

New movies in Midland

- At Tall City 14: "The Quiet Ones," "The Other Woman," "Brick Mansions"
- At Cinergy Cinemas: "The Quiet Ones," "The Other Woman," "Brick Mansions"

Support groups, club meetings today

- Stroke Support Group, noon, Midland Memorial Hospital, West Campus private dining room. For more information, call 221-1677 for any questions.
- Permian Toastmasters 1509, noon, Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, 208 S. Marleneid, Celeste Perez, 682-2960 or celeste@midlandhcc.com

Gas prices in Midland

■ Cheapest gas: \$3.45 (locations in northwest and south Midland)
■ Most expensive: \$3.63 (Chevron, Holiday Hill/Brianwood Avenue)
■ Most common price: \$3.59
■ Cheapest prices in West Texas: Lubbock \$3.29, Odessa \$3.37, San Angelo \$3.44, Midland \$3.45, Abilene \$3.48

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Thursday	\$3.550	\$3.482
Last week	\$3.520	\$3.485
Last month	\$3.360	\$3.341
Last year	\$3.365	\$3.333

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

Midland wind data

Months with the highest average wind speed (and typical direction)

- April: 12.7 mph (south)
- May: 12.4 mph (south)
- June: 12.3 mph (south-southeast)
- July: 11.1 (south-southeast)
- February: 11 mph (south)

Source: National Weather Service

Firefighter's benefit

Professional Firefighters Association of Midland and the Midland Fire Department are hosting a hamburger lunch 11:30 a.m. today to benefit firefighter Aaron Hughes, who has been with the department for six years. Funds raised will help pay for expenses incurred when Hughes goes to MD Anderson for cancer treatment. Hamburger plates are \$8 a person.

Medication take-back

Palmer Drug Abuse Medication Take-Back is set for 10 a.m.-2 p.m. April 26 at 1208 W. Wall St. Unused or expired medications must be in original containers. For more information, call 685-3645 or visit pdap.org

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- Daily 4 evening: 4-2-7-2
- Daily 4 night: 7-8-6-5
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- All or Nothing day: 1-2-4-5-6-8-10-11-14-16-22-23
- All or Nothing evening: 1-3-5-6-11-13-16-17-19-21-22-24
- All or Nothing night: 2-4-6-7-9-10-13-17-19-20-21-23

Today in history

In 1507, a world map produced by German cartographer Martin Waldseemüller contained the first recorded use of the term "America," in honor of Italian navigator Amerigo Vesputi.
In 1901, New York Gov. Benjamin Barker Odell Jr. signed an automobile registration bill which imposed a 15 mph speed limit on highways.
In 1915, during World War I, Allied soldiers invaded the Gallipoli Peninsula in an unsuccessful attempt to take the Ottoman Empire out of the war.
In 1944, the United Negro College Fund was founded.
In 1945, during World War II, U.S. and Soviet forces linked up on the Elbe River, a meeting that dramatized the collapse of Nazi Germany's defenses.

Nuns want the light to shine on fracturing data

By Collin Eaton
Houston Chronicle

Even oil companies can't escape the gaze of the biggest regulator of them all.

In a clash between Big Oil and the cloth, Sister Nora Nash and other Roman Catholic nuns in Philadelphia have been quietly pressing Chevron Corp. and others for years to reveal hydraulic fracturing data they say could shine a light on health concerns for communities in Texas and Pennsylvania.

This week, the Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia filed their fourth demand in as many years that Chevron issue reports on the quality and amount of fresh and recycled water used for shale drilling, updates on a goal to stop using open pits to store drilling fluids and groundwater quality checks

after drilling, among other issues.

Chevron meeting

The Catholic order's list of recommendations for the company will be up for a shareholder vote at Chevron's annual meeting in late May in Midland.

The Sisters of St. Francis may not be a large public pension fund trying to overhaul corporate practices, but Nash said their efforts have been gaining traction with investors over the years.

"They say they're following regulations, but we need to see data that can testify to that," she said in an interview Wednesday with the Houston Chronicle.

"We're concerned with the lack of real insight into the regulatory framework."

In its proxy statement, Chevron's board of directors recom-

mended that shareholders vote against the proposal, saying the company "has in place well-developed risk management systems" that protect water supplies, and that it already answers to local, state and federal agencies.

"The production of a special report would be duplicative of Chevron's extensive reporting and would not result in meaningful additional information," the board said in regulatory documents. It said it has cut its freshwater use in half, reuses almost all of its flow-back water and has recycled more than 8 million barrels of water since 2011.

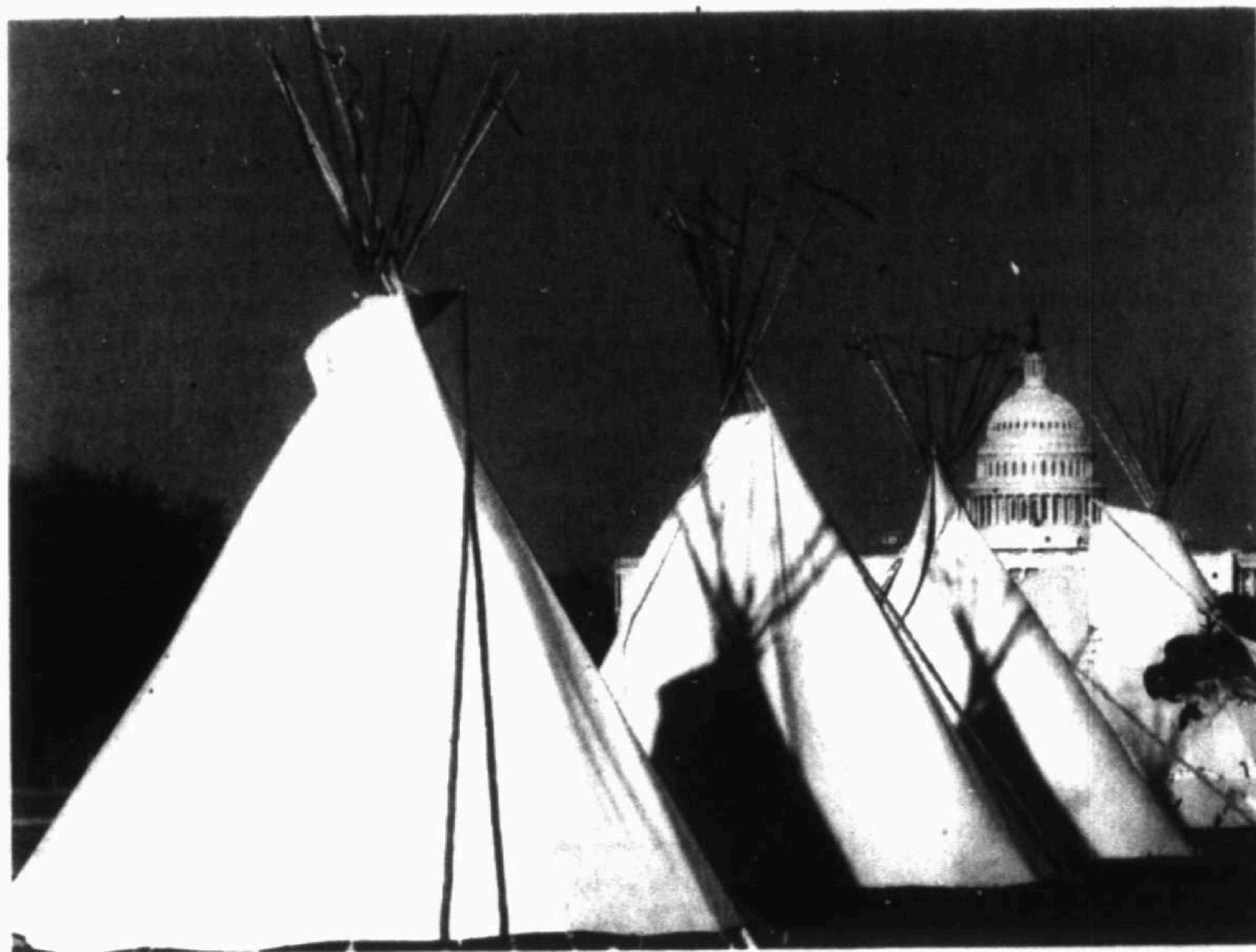
Sisters' portfolio

Nash said nuns in her order, which was founded more than a century ago, also have poked at Exxon Mobil Corp., Anadarko

Petroleum Corp. and Chesapeake Energy in recent years, a bid to make them "accountable and responsible" for health and human rights issues in communities near shale drilling operations.

"How can you say the operations are sustainable if you don't know where the water is going, how many chemicals are being used and eventually what's happening with the wastewater?" Nash asked.

The perceived shroud over hydraulic fracturing is just the latest corporate sin that Nash's order has tried to root out. The Sisters of St. Francis established an investment portfolio in 1974 and have over the decades filed shareholder resolutions with General Electric and AT&T, divested from tobacco companies and preyed upon alleged predatory credit card practices at several financial giants.



Associated Press

A teepee encampment is set up on the National Mall looking toward the Capitol in March. A group of ranchers, farmers and indigenous leaders called the Cowboy and Indian Alliance are protesting against the Keystone XL tar sands pipeline. A cartoon sponsored by the American Petroleum Institute satirizing the protest has angered the alliance, which intends to fight back.

Oil industry satire of Keystone XL pipeline protest draws fire

By Jennifer A. Dlouhy
Hearst Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Cowboys and Indians who rode on horseback through the nation's capital and erected teepees on the National Mall as part of a protest against the Keystone XL pipeline are fighting back against a new oil industry ad satirizing the effort.

The advertisement, a cartoon that began appearing on the Washington Post's website Wednesday, depicts tourists saying "the cowboys want to give up cars and electricity," and describing the protest as "an exhibit of 1800s America." It is sponsored by the American Petroleum Institute.

Representatives of the Cowboy and Indian Alliance that staged the protest in the shadow of the Washington monument called the ad "stupid" and offensive.

"We're trying to take America into the 21st century with clean, renewable energy — and we don't need dirty tar sands to do it," said Nebraska landowner Tom Genung. "This is not for novelty's sake; we're here to defend our homes and families. API should come down and meet us face to face instead of mocking us from their cushy offices."

There's no sign of that happening anytime soon.

"The protesters are going to continue

doing what they are doing," API spokeswoman Sabrina Fang told reporters. "We're going to continue to educate the public on the merits of the pipeline."

The skirmish between the protesters and the petroleum lobby comes just days after the State Department delayed a final decision on the pipeline to allow a legal challenge in Nebraska to play out.

The pipeline would link Alberta with the major oil hub in Cushing, Okla., giving Canada's oil sands crude a new path to Gulf Coast refineries.

New polls released Thursday suggest the project is still relatively popular, despite deep opposition from environmentalists who say the pipeline would unleash development of Canadian oil sands that may produce more carbon emissions than alternative crudes.

A telephone survey conducted by Rasmussen Reports found that 61 percent of likely U.S. voters at least somewhat favor building Keystone XL — a 4-point increase since January, and a new high-water-mark. The Rasmussen Reports survey also found:

- Sixty-two percent said Keystone XL would be good for the U.S. economy.
- Thirty-two percent said the pipeline would be bad for the environment.
- Fifty-seven percent said the pipeline is at least somewhat important to how they will vote in the congressional election in November.

FRACTURING

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process could spread to water supplies.

The mix of chemicals varies by company and region — and some of the chemicals are toxic and could cause health problems in significant doses — so the lack of full transparency has worried landowners and public health experts.

Many companies voluntarily disclose the contents of their fracturing fluids through FracFocus.org, a website partially funded by the oil and gas indus-

try that tracks fracturing operations nationwide. But critics say the website has loose reporting standards and allows companies to avoid disclosure by declaring certain chemicals as trade secrets.

A U.S. Energy Department Task Force report issued in March that found that 84 percent of the wells registered on FracFocus invoked a trade secret exemption for at least one chemical. The task force said it "favors full disclosure of all known constituents added to fracturing fluid with few, if any

exceptions."

The FracFocus website is managed by the Ground Water Protection Council and Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission, both based in Oklahoma, and is funded by industry and the Energy Department.

The Interior Department is expected to finalize proposed regulation for hydraulic fracturing on public lands by the end of the year. The measure would apply to some 700 million acres of federal lands and 56 million acres of lands controlled by federally recognized Indian tribes.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Victor M. Angel, 58, of Midland was charged Wednesday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.
Adrian M. Cardenas, 33, of Midland was charged Wednesday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.
Diana G. Cardenas, 40, of Midland was charged Wednesday with theft valued between \$1,500 and \$20,000.
Diego Cisneros Jr., 26, of Midland was charged Wednesday with manufacturing or delivering a controlled

substance.
John M. Garza, 20, of Midland was charged Wednesday with aggravated assault causing serious bodily injury.
Joseph B. Mancha, 17, of Midland was charged Wednesday with tampering with or fabricating evidence.
Bruce A. Mata, 28, of Midland was charged Wednesday with interfering with an emergency call with probable cause.
Evaristo R. Melendez, 51, of Midland was charged Wednesday with robbery and

theft valued between \$1,500 and \$20,000.
Pamela S. Perez, 31, of Midland was charged Wednesday with violation of probation.
Samuel D. Pittman, 30, of Big Spring was charged Wednesday with two counts of violation of probation.
Robert E. Wallace, 53, of Midland was charged Wednesday with unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Honor Flight dates announced; more local vets needed

By Rachael Gleason
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More info

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A World War II veteran who photographed European bombing runs from the bottom of a B-17 will join the Texas Permian Basin Honor Flight to Washington, D.C., this September.

Tharen "Ike" Eicher, an 88-year-old who now lives in Gardendale, flew more than 30 missions as a ball turret gunner in Germany during the war.

"It's really the most comfortable part of the plane," Eicher — dressed in full uniform — said Thursday.

Eicher is one of about 60 veterans who signed up for the Honor Flight, and the organization is looking to fill more seats with deserving World War II military members.

"The bottom line is that we're losing our World War II veterans every day," said Texas Permian Basin Honor Flight chairman Jeremy West. "Our mission is to get each and every one to Washington, D.C., to see the memorial before we lose them."

During the all-expenses-paid trip to the nation's capital Sept. 17-19, the veterans will perform wreath-laying ceremonies at the World War II, Korean, U.S. Navy, Vietnam and Tomb of the Unknown Soldier memorials. The group, which includes guardians, community officials and three Gold Star families, will also meet with dignitaries.

"We can't give you enough gratitude and praise for what you've

done for this country," West said. "We're going to roll out the red carpet. That's what you deserve."

The Honor Flight committee estimated that the three-day, two-night trip for between 70 to 100 veterans would cost about \$237,000. The committee has raised about \$130,000 so far, but Honor Flight Director Jack Barnes said there's still a long way to go.

"Veterans go free on this flight because of the generosity of the Permian Basin," said Barnes, noting guardians and other travelers must pay about \$1,600 for the trip. "We're a little over half way. We have work to do."

Honor Flight will raffle a rifle this weekend at the Great Outdoors Expo at the Horseshoe Arena and hold an all-day telethon Memorial Day.

The organization is also looking for additional veterans — who can download an application online or call or email the chapter for one — corporate sponsors and fundraising ideas.

"In good ol' West Texas, you have to look out for your neighbor."

Charles "Buck" Hamilton, security adviser



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Charles "Buck" Hamilton speaks about security Thursday at the Petroleum Museum Brown Bag lunch series.

SECURITY

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the country and business sectors get a better picture of the risks after each program.

One recent program looked for weaknesses in the Texas cattle industry, he said.

"Eighty percent of the beef comes from a line that's 150 miles east of Lubbock to 150 miles west of Lubbock up to Wyoming," he said. "You would not believe how technological feeding cattle has be-

come in terms of computer and micronutrients."

A similar program in the oil and gas industry could assess how technology is used from the wellhead to the transportation lines over the plains, Hamilton said.

"For every new technology to make it convenient for us — easier, quicker, faster — also brings on added vulnerabilities and entry points," he said. "That's why I say security is a journey. You've got to re-evaluate your security posture."



Associated Press

Rancher Cliven Bundy speaks April 14 at a protest camp near Bunkerville, Nev.

Nevada cattle rancher Cliven Bundy defends race remarks

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — A Nevada rancher at the center of a feud over cattle grazing on public land is defending himself from sharp criticism over comments he made about slavery.

Cliven Bundy had told reporters near his ranch 80 miles from Las Vegas that he wonders whether black people are better off now or when they were slaves in the South.

On Thursday, he insisted that he's not

saying people should be slaves.

Politicians including Nevada Republican Sen. Dean Heller are condemning the remarks Bundy made last weekend. They were first published Wednesday by The New York Times.

Earlier, Heller called Bundy's defenders "patriots" for standing up against the government.

Bundy is a hero to some for resisting a Bureau of Land Management roundup of cattle that the federal agency says he lets trespass on public land.

Texas is in its own land dispute

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Top Texas leaders are accusing the federal government of trying to seize property they say belongs to local cattle ranchers, a dispute that involves the same agency currently embroiled in an armed standoff over land in Nevada.

Outgoing Gov. Rick Perry and Attorney General Greg Abbott, the front-runner in the race to succeed him, insist politics has nothing to do with their recent public criticism of the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

At issue are up to 90,000 acres along the Red River, which marks the border with Oklahoma. Last summer, the Bureau of Land Management began holding field hearings about the possibility of revising regulations of federal holdings in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas. That's a multi-year process, but it caused some ranchers to raise concerns their land could

be expropriated as part of an updated "Resource Management Plan."

"If this country's to stay the land of freedom and liberty, private property rights must be respected," Perry said Thursday in an interview with CBS' "This Morning." The governor is a fierce states' rights advocate who once even suggested that he could understand why some

citizens could get so fed up with the government that they might want to secede from the United States.

Earlier this week, Abbott wrote to the Bureau of Land Management, saying he is "deeply concerned" it "believes the federal government has the authority to swoop in and take land that has been owned and cultivated by Texas land-owners for generations."

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Affirmative action decision is exactly right

Justices have an epiphany: Issues such as this should be decided at the ballot box and not by the Supreme Court

Every once in a while a great, conflicted country gets an insoluble problem exactly right. Such is the Supreme Court's ruling this week on affirmative action. It upheld a Michigan referendum prohibiting the state from discriminating either for or against any citizen on the basis of race.

The Schuette ruling is highly significant for two reasons: its lopsided majority of 6-2, including a crucial concurrence from liberal Justice Stephen Breyer, and even more important, Breyer's rationale. It couldn't be simpler. "The Constitution foresees the ballot box, not the courts, as the normal instrument for resolving differences and debates about the merits of these programs."

Finally. After 36 years since the Bakke case, years of endless pettifoggery — parsing exactly how many spoonfuls of racial discrimination are permitted in exactly which circumstance — the court has its epiphany: Let the people decide. Not our business. We will not ban affirmative action. But we will not impose it, as the Schuette plaintiffs would have us do by ruling that no state is permitted to ban affirmative action.

CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER

Washington Post
Writers Group



Eleven years ago, the court rejected an attempt to strike down affirmative action at the University of Michigan law school. The 2003-Grutter decision, as I wrote at the time, was "incoherent, disingenuous, intellectually muddled and morally confused" — and exactly what the country needed.

The reasoning was a mess because, given the very wording of the Equal Protection Clause (and of the Civil Rights Act), justifying any kind of racial preference requires absurd, often comical linguistic contortions. As Justice Antonin Scalia put it in his Schuette concurrence, even the question is absurd: "Does the Equal Protection Clause ... forbid what its text plainly requires?" (i.e., colorblindness).

Indeed, over these four decades, how was "equal protection" transformed into a mandate for race discrimination? By morphing affirmative action into diversity and declaring diversity a state purpose important enough to justify racial preferences.

This is pretty weak gruel when compared to the social harm inherent in

discriminating by race: exacerbating group antagonisms, stigmatizing minority achievement and, as documented by Thomas Sowell, Stuart Taylor and many others, needlessly and tragically damaging promising minority students by turning them disproportionately into failures at institutions for which they are unprepared.

So why did I celebrate the hopelessly muddled Grutter decision, which left affirmative action standing?

Because much as I believe the harm of affirmative action outweighs the good, the courts are not the place to decide the question. At its core, affirmative action is an attempt — noble but terribly flawed, in my view — at racial restitution. The issue is too neuralgic, the history too troubled, the ramifications too deep to be decided on high by nine robes. As with all great national questions, the only path to an enduring, legitimate resolution is by the democratic process.

That was the lesson of *Roe v. Wade*. It created a great societal rupture because, as Ruth Bader Ginsburg once explained, it "halted a political process that was moving in a reform direction and thereby, I believe, prolonged divisiveness and deferred stable settlement of the [abortion] issue." It is never a good idea to take these profound political questions out of the political arena.

Which is why the 2003 Grutter decision was right. Asked to abolish affirmative

action — and thus remove it from the democratic process — the court said no.

The implication? The people should decide.

The people responded accordingly. Three years later, they crafted a referendum to abolish race consciousness in government action. It passed overwhelmingly, 58 percent to 42 percent.

Schuette completes the circle by respecting the constitutionality of that democratic decision. As Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote in the controlling opinion: "This case is not about how the debate about racial preferences should be resolved. It is about who may resolve it."

And as Breyer wrote: "The Constitution permits, though it does not require ... race-conscious programs." Liberal as he is, Breyer could not accept the radical proposition of the Schuette plaintiffs that the Constitution demands — and cannot countenance a democratically voted abolition of — racial preferences.

This gives us, finally, the basis for a new national consensus. Two-thirds of the court has just said to the nation: For those of you who wish to continue to judge by race, we'll keep making Jesuitical distinctions to keep the discrimination from getting too obvious or outrageous. If, however, you wish to be rid of this baleful legacy and banish race preferences once and for all, do what Michigan did. You have our blessing.

OUR VIEW

Educators group recognizes talent at Midland ISD

For MISD's top talent. The Texas Classroom Teachers Association recently selected **Deborah Acosta**, the dropout prevention/recovery and at-risk coordinator for Midland ISD, and **Melanie Jones**, the English Department chair and a seventh-grade teacher at Goddard Junior High to receive two of the organization's most prestigious awards.

Acosta has been named the 2013-14 TCTA administrator of the year in the central office category, and Jones has been chosen the 2013-14 TCTA faculty representative of the year. Both were selected based on nominations submitted by Midland CTA, a local affiliate of the statewide TCTA, which has 50,000 members across the state.

In their nomination of Acosta, Midland CTA leaders wrote that she "rises to the challenge" of her position, and the district has seen the results. Since she has been on the job, MISD's longitudinal dropout rate has consistently decreased - from 16 percent for the Class of 2008 to 9.9 percent for the Class of 2012.

Jones has been a TCTA member for 14 years and a faculty representative for nine years. She has taught in MISD since 1994.

For the **WNB Golf Classic**. If you are a golf fan, this weekend should be heaven. The Web.com Tour is the proving grounds for the future stars on the PGA Tours. Midland is the tour's lone Texas stop. See the tour's best battle it out at Midland Country Club.

For **Don McKay, Beverly Brock, Charles Spence, Lisa Boss, her co-workers at Midland Emergency Communication District and Lisa's fiancé, Julio Aguilar**. These Midlanders donated their spare change to Managing Editor Mary Dearen's fundraiser for the Permian Basin Autism SHARE Walk. Their pennies, dimes, nickels and quarters totaled \$180.33. Their generosity is much appreciated. Dearen's personal donation to the cause includes close to \$35 in change that she found during her daily walks (between April 22, 2013, and Tuesday.) The walk is Saturday at UTPB. Sixty teams are registered for the annual fundraiser for SHARE (Sharing Hands: A Respite Experience), a local nonprofit that provides services for families with special-needs children.

For **Max Sivalls**. The Midland Classical tennis star won his second TAPPS 3A singles title in impressive fashion. He steamrolled through four rounds at the state tournament, losing only six games (winning 48). Here's more bad news for the other players in TAPPS 3A. Sivalls is just a junior and a likely heavy favorite to bring home a third title to MCA and our community.

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Former justice proposes changes

Liberal-leaning John Paul Stevens proposes six constitutional amendments that he says would bring the country in line with what he believes is good for the US

Honestly, unless you are a big government liberal, how many people think the federal government should have more power than it already exercises over its citizens?

Former Supreme Court Justice John Paul Stevens, 94, thinks the Constitution needs at least six amendments in order to bring the country more in line with what he believes is good for us. He outlines them in his new book, "Six Amendments: How and Why We Should Change the Constitution." It is a revealing look into liberal thinking and the ideological opposite of radio talk show host Mark Levin's book, "The Liberty Amendments: Restoring the American Republic." More about that in a moment.

Stevens elaborated on his book in an interview with USA Today.

One of his priorities would be to change the Second Amendment. As he writes in his book, "The Second Amendment, which was adopted to protect the states from federal interference with their power to ensure that their militias were 'well regulated,' has given federal judges the ultimate power to determine the validity of state regulations of both civilian and militia-related uses of arms. That anomalous result can be avoided by adding five words to the text of the Second Amendment to make it unambiguously conform to the original intent of its draftsmen. As so amended, it would read:

"A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms WHEN SERVING IN THE MILITIA shall not be infringed."

I doubt Stevens' update would get much traction in Congress.

The Second Amendment was written and ratified precisely because the Founders had personal experience with how a tyrannical government can restrict, even eliminate, liberty if its citizens are not armed for their own and liberty's defense.

Stevens' second proposal would change the Eighth Amendment's prohibition against cruel and unusual punishment to include the death penalty, which he has long opposed. The chances of that passing Congress are about the same as his first proposal.

He thinks the First Amendment's free speech clause does not prohibit government from restricting the amount of money spent on political campaigns, contrary to recent majority opinions by the current Supreme Court.

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In the Court's 1992 verdict on *Planned Parenthood vs. Casey*, Stevens wrote, "The social costs of overruling (*Roe*) at this late date would be enormous. *Roe* is an integral part of a correct understanding of both the concept of liberty and the basic equality of men and women." "Social costs" was an argument used to oppose British slave traders and Southern emancipation. Only the morally obtuse would argue that the slaughter of 55 million American babies (and counting) would somehow fit the Founders' understanding of liberty and equality.

Stevens' moral compass is out of whack when he favors preserving the lives of convicted murderers, but no protection for the unborn, even after viability up to the moment of birth.

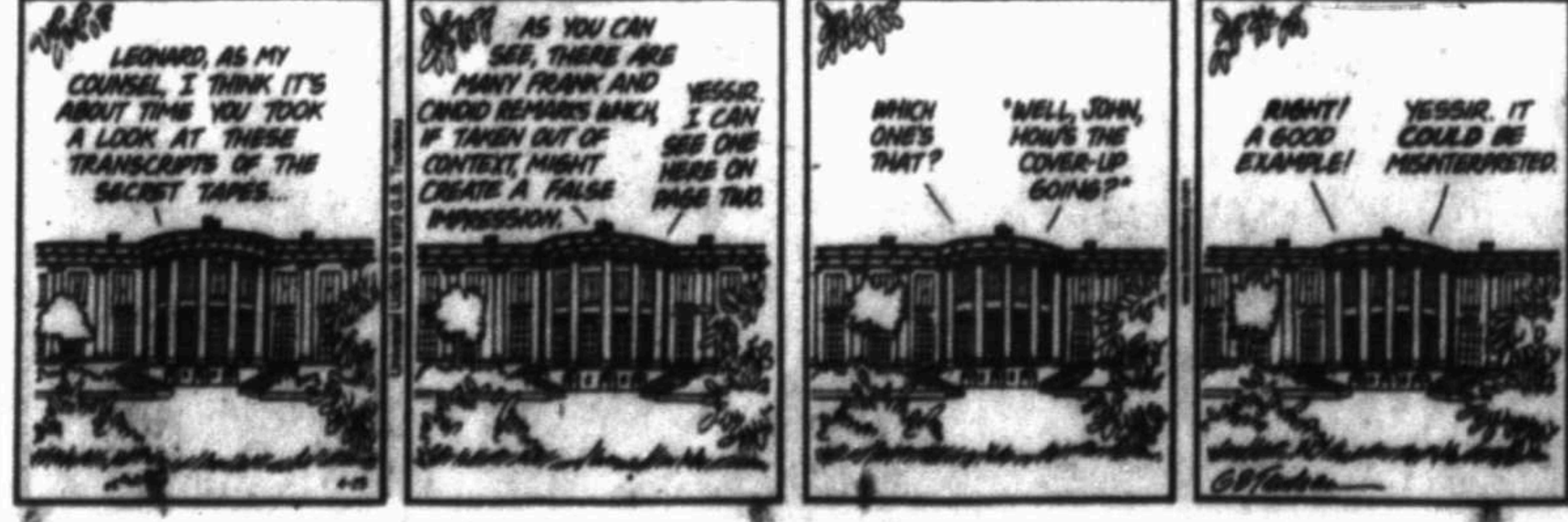
Mark Levin's book is far more in line with the Founder's thinking than is Stevens' approach to the Constitution. Unlike the Founders, Stevens apparently has never seen an area where government should not stick its nose.

Levin wants to place the federal government back within its constitutional boundaries by using a provision in Article 5 that allows two-thirds of state legislatures to call a constitutional convention. His proposal would strictly limit what delegates could do so as to avoid a runaway convention that could damage the Constitution. Levin believes a state-called constitutional convention is the only way to stop the "blob" of the federal government, which, like a B-movie monster, continues to "eat" away at our freedoms and at ever-increasing costs.

Most of Levin's proposed reform amendments return decision-making authority, in key respects, to the state legislatures, limit the power of the Washington ruling class through term limits and state overrides and breathe new life into free-market capitalism and private property rights. This is what we need.

Not more of Stevens' liberal thinking, which unfortunately, his successor, Elena Kagan, seems to replicate. It is another reminder, if one is needed, that elections matter. This November, the balance of power on the Court, the future of the Constitution and possibly the country may be at stake.

From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



POLITICS BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

AUSTIN
Perry's office:
Don't mess with
job-creating funds

AUSTIN — Top aides to Gov. Rick Perry said Thursday that it would be unwise for the next Texas governor to uproot lucrative taxpayer-footed business funds that are legacies of Perry's 14 years in office but have become less popular among Republicans.

Their defense coincided with another of Perry's out-of-state trips to lure more companies to Texas, this time in New York.

With just eight months left in office, Perry's office is making a renewed case for two pet programs that have given a combined \$600 million to small startups and restless businesses as his possible successors question whether the state has gotten its money's worth.

The Texas Enterprise Fund will run out of money to hand out by next year unless replenished, said Jonathan Taylor, the director of economic development in Perry's office. The Emerging Technology Fund has also been impacted by a waning financial commitment from the Legislature's budget-writers in recent years.

Perry aides testified Thursday before a Texas House committee that was considering what might happen if the next governor didn't embrace the programs.

"You have to take into account not just cutting your losses, but cutting your winnings," said Terry Chase Hazell, who manages Perry's tech fund.

Republican Attorney General Greg Abbott, the favorite to replace Perry, has signaled unease with the funds while echoing a growing conservative mantra that the state shouldn't be picking winners and losers in business. Democratic gubernatorial candidate Wendy Davis authored a Senate bill last year that mandates the first audit of the Enterprise Fund since it

launched in 2003. State Sen. Dan Patrick, the front-runner to become lieutenant governor, has proposed doing away with both funds entirely.

KENTUCKY
Keystone XL
pipeline part of
larger Senate fight

FRANKFORT — Alison Lundergan Grimes is the latest Democratic Senate candidate to call for building the Keystone XL oil pipeline, but the Kentucky secretary of state's move doesn't seem to have cost her support among environmental groups who want to unseat Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell.

It's evidence that campaign wrangling over Keystone XL is about more than the project itself. It's also about the battle for control of the Senate in the November midterm elections, with Republicans within striking distance of assuming the majority. Also on display are long-standing partisan divides between the energy industry, which tends to support Republicans, and environmentalists, who generally support Democrats.

Many oil, gas and coal interests want McConnell to become the agenda-setting majority leader. Green advocacy groups want to keep things as they are, with Sen. Harry Reid of Nevada leading a Democratic majority that's

generally more in line with environmentalists' concerns.

WASHINGTON
First lady gets
résumé from girl
with jobless dad

Michelle Obama's annual question-and-answer session with the children of Executive Office employees took a serious turn Thursday when a 10-year-old girl in the front row told the first lady that her dad had been out of work for three years. Then the girl popped up to hand the first lady his résumé.

The first lady seemed a little taken aback but then explained to the other children, who might not have heard the girl's comment, that the matter was "a little private, but she's doing something for her dad." Obama promised to deal with the matter later.

When the event ended, Obama gave the girl, Charlotte Bell, a hug and then reached back to grab the résumé off a table as she left the East Room.

The first lady played host to the children at the White House on Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day.

Charlotte's family had joked over the weekend about making a job pitch to the first lady, but her parents didn't know she would give it a try, according to her mother, an executive branch employee who did not want to be identified.

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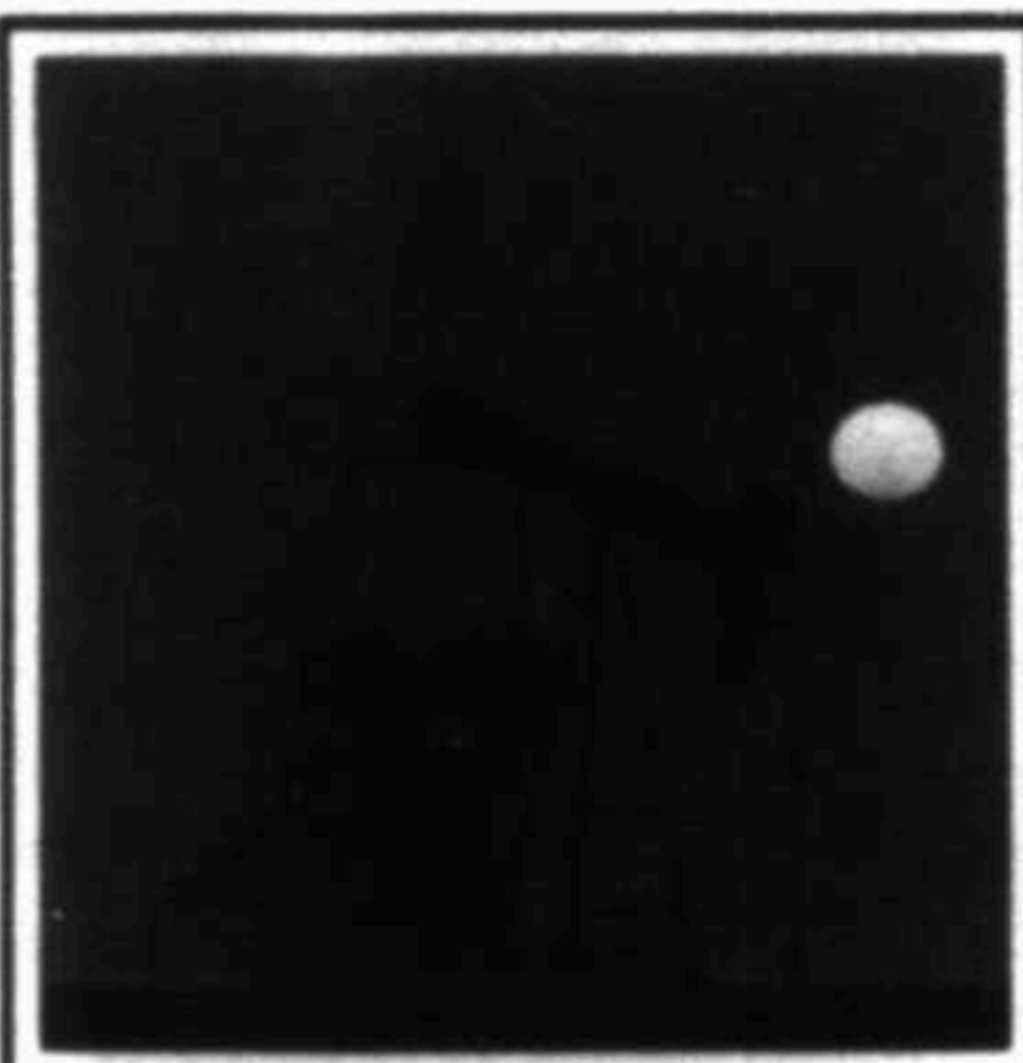
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**NEW YORK
Amazon launches
grocery service for
Prime members**

Amazon is taking aim at grocery stores and discounters like Wal-Mart with a grocery service that lets its Prime loyalty club members fill up to a 45-pound box with groceries and get it shipped for a flat rate of \$5.99.

The mega online retailer said the service, called Prime Pantry, will offer Prime users an expanded selection of items that they usually pick up in grocery stores, in addition to larger in-bulk groceries more commonly ordered online, at competitive prices. Some items now available are single boxes of Cheerios, a six-pack of Bounty paper towels and Coca-Cola fridge packs. Amazon calls the offerings "low-priced, everyday essentials in everyday sizes."

When Prime members shop through Prime Pantry, it shows how much space each item takes up in the grocery box and how much room is left. Items are shipped within one to four business days.

The move comes as Amazon has been bulking up services for its Prime membership program, since it increased the annual membership price to \$99 from \$79 in March to help offset rising shipping costs. In addition to free two-day shipping, the service includes free access to Amazon Instant Video, a streaming video service that will include some HBO programming beginning in May.

The move is an "important development in Amazon's aggressive push into consumables," said Sanford Bernstein analyst Carlos Kijner. The Seattle company has also been testing Prime Fresh, a grocery delivery service, in several cities.

**LOS ANGELES
US proposes
pay-for-priority
Internet standards**

The nation's top telecoms regulator is proposing to allow a pay-for-priority fast lane on the Internet for movies, music and other services to get to people's homes.

The proposed rules come after a federal appeals court struck down previous "net neutrality" rules designed to prevent Internet access providers such as Comcast from discriminating against certain traffic flowing to their customers.

Under the proposal, an access provider could demand that high-traffic services such as Netflix pay for preferential treatment. The proposal would include safeguards to make sure the arrangements don't harm consumers or stifle competition and free speech.

Because of that, FCC officials insist it's not a departure from past policy. However, it would now permit something the FCC had discouraged under the old rules.

Consumer advocates say the proposed system would inevitably allow deep-pocketed Internet giants like Netflix, Google and Facebook to maintain their edge over startups because they can pay to ensure snappier connections and clearer, uninterrupted video.

It could result in higher prices for consumers who pay for Netflix and similar online services, as the cost of speedier treatment could be passed on. It also could create a new revenue stream for Internet service providers like Comcast or Verizon.

The draft rules kick off a policymaking process that involves commissioner votes and a public comment period before a final vote sometime this summer.

**NEW YORK
Facebook buys
fitness tracker startup
behind Moves**

Facebook acquired the startup behind the popular fitness tracking app Moves

as it expands beyond its namesake service into a company with multiple, differentiated mobile apps. The world's largest online social network will keep running the service separately.

Menlo Park, Calif.-based Facebook said Thursday it bought ProtoGeo Oy, the Finnish company behind the app, for an undisclosed sum.

Launched in 2013, the Moves app has been downloaded 4 million times on Android phones and the iPhone. It lets people automatically track their runs, walks or bike rides and plots the user's routes on a map.

To move beyond its core service, Facebook is developing and acquiring different kinds of apps. This year, it announced a \$19 billion deal for mobile messaging service WhatsApp and launched the news reader app Paper.

**SAN FRANCISCO
Google, Apple settle
high-tech workers'
lawsuit**

Google, Apple, Intel and Adobe Systems have settled a class-action lawsuit alleging they conspired to prevent their engineers and other highly sought technology workers from getting better job offers from one another.

The agreement announced Thursday averts a Silicon Valley trial that threatened to expose the tactics deployed by billionaire executives such as late Apple Inc. CEO Steve Jobs and former Google Inc. CEO Eric Schmidt to corral less affluent employees working on a variety of products and online services. Had they lost, the companies also faced the prospect of paying as much as \$9 billion.

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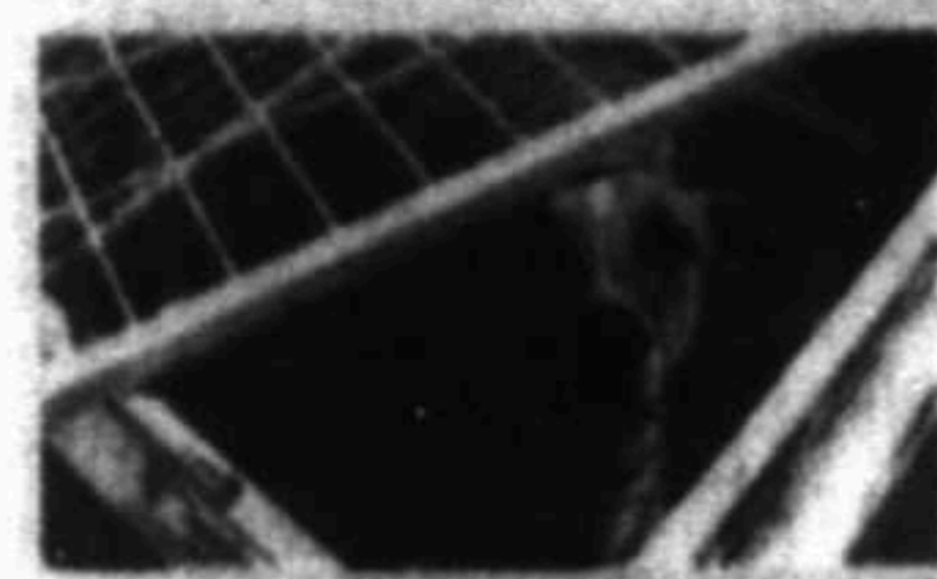
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THIS WEEK



BBQ FOR A CAUSE Best of the Basin BBQ Championship today and Saturday will benefit Bynum School.



ANIMAL RESCUE A garage sale is planned Saturday to benefit Dust Bowl Animal Rescue.

INSIDE

REMEMBRANCE A Holocaust Remembrance ceremony is planned Monday at UTPB. See page 5B

COMING SOON



BUTTERFLY RELEASE Home Hospice will host its annual butterfly release next month.

See more calendar items on page 5B.

GOOD NEIGHBORS

CHRISTMAS IN ACTION Volunteers from Alamo Heights Baptist Church, Christ Church Youth Group, First Christian Church and Golf Course Road Church of Christ will be doing repairs at Midland homes on Saturday for Christmas in Action.

GIVEAWAY The ABLE Center for Independent Living is giving away a 1989 wheelchair accessible van to someone in the Permian Basin. Eligible applicants must have a valid driver's license, submit a video or letter with their full name, address, phone number and explanation of disability. Applicants also must explain how the van would impact their life and give them independence and include their plan to pay for maintenance and other expenses of owning a vehicle. Applications may be emailed to venesia@ablecenterpb.org or mailed to ABLE Center for Independent Living, 1931 E. 37th St. Suite 1, Odessa, TX 79762. Applications will be accepted through July 18 and the winner will be announced Aug. 2.

GO GREEN Associates from the local Kohl's Department store will help the Boys & Girls Club of Midland with spring cleaning and planting today. The effort is part of Kohl's fifth annual National Go Green Event in celebration of National Volunteer Week and Earth Day.

IN NEED

KIDS FIRST Centers for Children and Families is in need of volunteers for its Kids First program, a supervised visitation and exchange program for conflicted families. For more information, call 570-1084 or visit centerstx.org. Nonprofit, charitable and religious organizations are constantly in need of volunteers, funds and resources. If you know of an organization in need, email mbuck@mrt.com and we'll help spread the word.



Andrew Medichini/AP

A nun listens as postulators of late Popes John Paul II and John XXIII deliver their speeches at a meeting with youths Tuesday in Rome's St. John Lateran Basilica. The meeting was the first one organized by Rome's Diocese to prepare for Sunday's elevation to sainthood of the two popes.

SAINTHOOD



POPE JOHN PAUL II

Pope from 1978-2005



POPE JOHN XXIII

Pope from 1958-1963

Inside

- Pope John XXIII launched Vatican II and then some
- No JP II fever in Poland as canonization nears
- Martyrs, miracles and the stuff of making saints

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Coming Sunday

- Bishop Michael Sis of the Diocese of San Angelo reacts to the canonization of Pope John Paul II and Pope John XXIII.

Autism Walk to benefit local families through SHARE

■ New Yorker who skated across the US for autism awareness to speak at event

By Megan Lea Buck
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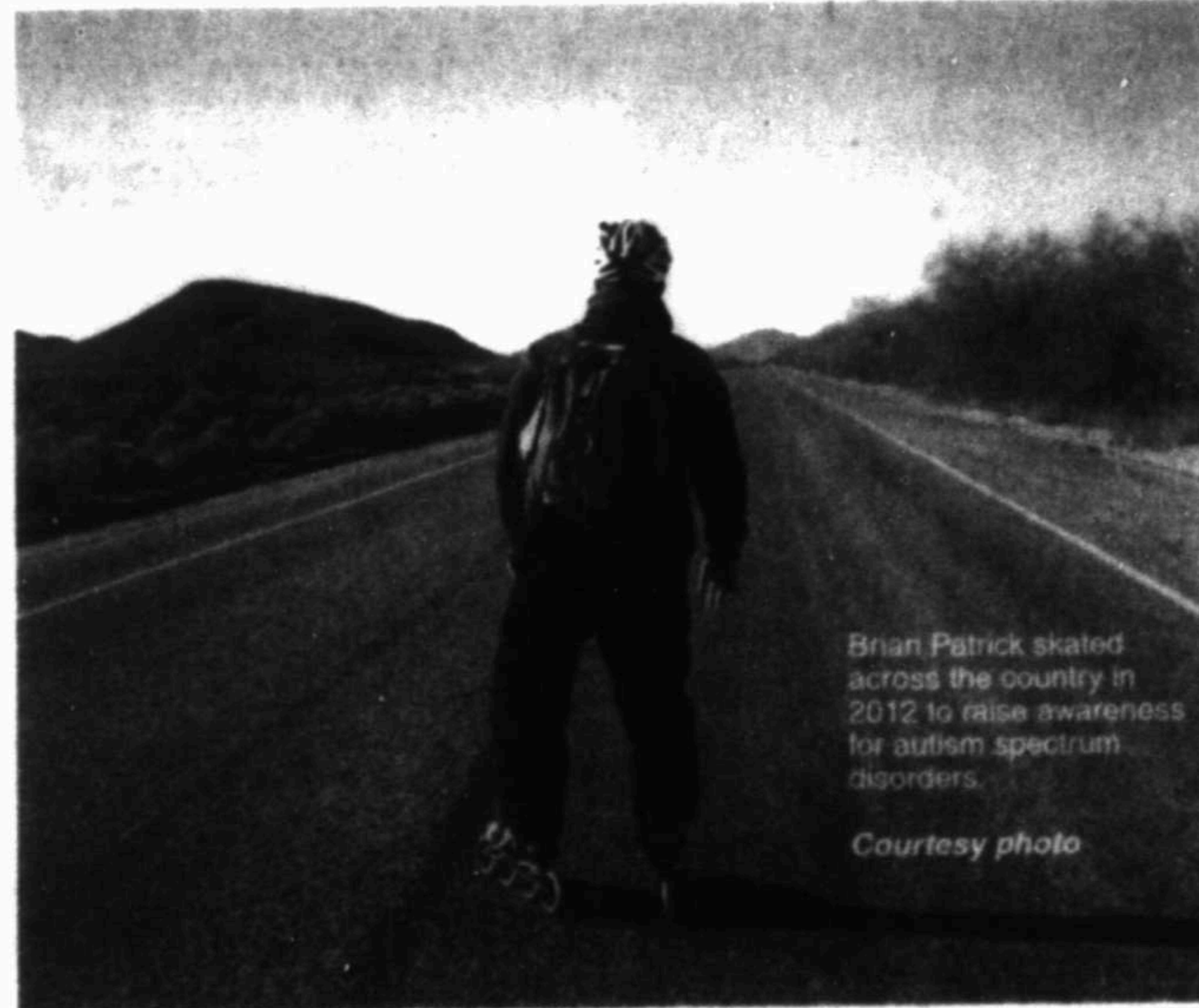
In Brian Patrick's book "Brianne's Diary," a blue rhino named Aodhán embarks on a cross-country journey with his monkey friend Melvin. Tired of feeling like he doesn't fit in, Aodhán sets off to find others who might feel the same way.

"I'm so tired of feeling

alone. So I am off — I am off on my little journey. I'm not sure what it is I think I'll find, but I just want to find one other creature that's different, and maybe different like me," he writes to his best friend, Brianne.

Patrick wrote the book after completing a trek from New York to California on skates. The New Yorker skated across the country in 2012 to raise awareness for autism spectrum disorders. On his journey, he met thousands of people and visited families with children on the spectrum. When he

Please see SHARE/5B



Brian Patrick skated across the country in 2012 to raise awareness for autism spectrum disorders.

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Diamond Jubilee honors 75 years of Children's Service League

By Rich Lopez
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In some ways, it's quite a miracle that the Children's Service League has lasted for its 75 years. But its tenure is a testament to the formidable women who started out wanting to make a difference in the community by helping out where needed. That time of service will be recognized and celebrated on May 1 at the Diamond Jubilee presented by the Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center founded by the League.

"What's so unusual about the league is that there is no national connection for this group," MCRC Executive Director

Brooke Mueller said. "They have been self-perpetuating for 75 years and that's something quite remarkable."

The league's history is remarkable indeed. In 1939, the league began informally as a sewing club making layettes for needy families and hosting clothing drives. After providing volunteers to the City County Health Department, the league established and operated the Midland Cerebral Palsy Center in 1964, which would later become the MCRC. In 2001, the league transferred ownership of the center to the board of directors after 45 years, but it remains the volunteer arm of the center.

"I think it's recognition they've deserved; 75 years is huge," CSL President Kim Roemer said. "To know these ladies have been around for those years, seen the changes and growth in the center, and the city and witnessed its different paths is inspiring. And that it still continues today would be heartwarming."

Both Mueller and Roemer use the word "inspiration" several times regarding the organization and its early members.

"They are just an amazing group of women and that commitment is great," Mueller said. "I've been inspired and remain inspired because of them."

A couple of friends told Sarah

Holcomb about the league. She had time to offer and wanted to volunteer. She sought out the league and soon joined after working in the classrooms provided for children with needs. Holcomb has remained a member since following her friends' advice in 1975.

"That's been a long time," she said, laughing. "I tried it and I liked it and I still enjoy it all. I've slowed down a bit but there's a whole new crew of volunteers and that's always what we need."

Holcomb and other volunteers would help with physical therapy sessions, office work, phone

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Pope John XXIII sits at his working desk April 15, 1963, in his studio in a IX century tower in the Vatican gardens. In the background is the dome of St. Peter's Basilica. The Pontiff found the tower — once a fortress and later the Vatican observatory — abandoned and in decay. He liked it, particularly for the beautiful view from its covered terrace. He had it repaired and spent many days working in the studio. While much of the focus of today's dual canonization will be on Pope John Paul II's globe-trotting, 26-year papacy and his near-record sprint to sainthood, many older Catholics will be celebrating the short but historic pontificate of the "Good Pope," John XXIII.

Pope John XXIII launched Vatican II and then some

By Nicole Winfield
Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — On the night of Oct. 11, 1962, Pope John XXIII did something so natural that it's astonishing it was so revolutionary at the time. He came to the window of the Vatican's Apostolic Palace and spoke to thousands of candle-bearing faithful below — not in the arcane, scripted words of pontiffs past but in those of a father and pastor looking out for his flock.

"Going home, you will find your children. Give them a caress and tell them. This is the caress of the pope." John said to the torch-lit cheers from St. Peter's Square.

While much of the focus of Sunday's dual canonization will be on the globe-trotting, 26-year papacy of Pope John Paul II and his near-record sprint to sainthood, many older Catholics will be celebrating the short but historic pontificate of the "Good Pope," John XXIII.

John's words, delivered on the opening night of the Second Vatican Council, came to define his papacy. The speech epitomized how John captured the hearts of Catholics with his simple, paternal affection

while using his intuitive cunning to launch Vatican II and bring the 2,000-year institution into the modern world. It's a combination embodied by the current pope, Francis.

"He was courageous. A good country priest, with a great sense of humor and great holiness," Francis told reporters last summer when asked about John's attributes. "He was one of the greats."

Born in 1881 to sharecroppers in northern Italy, Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli was elected pope on Oct. 28, 1958, naming himself after his father and in the process correcting the accident of history that was the 15th-century anti-pope John XXIII. During the Western Schism of the early 1400s, John XXIII was one of three men who claimed the papacy at the same time, though he later renounced it.

Elected at age 76, the legitimate Pope John XXIII was expected to be a transitional, relatively uneventful pope following the 19-year reign of the World War II-era Pope Pius XII.

John had other plans. Less than three months after being elected, he announced that he would convene Vatican II, the first ecumenical council in a century. Vatican II went on

to allow use of the vernacular rather than Latin for Mass. It called for greater participation of lay faithful in the life of the church and revolutionized Catholic relations with Jews. It also crystallized the divisions between traditionalist, conservative Catholics and the more progressive wing of the church that are still alive today.

None of the faithful who gathered in St. Peter's Square the night it opened knew what was in store, but they were hopeful. John's words seemed to herald something new: They were spontaneous when popes usually spoke in stiff, prepared paragraphs. They were grandfatherly when popes were supposed to sound regal. And perhaps most importantly, they were beamed into living rooms around the world on the relatively new medium of television.

"Up until then, television had been used mostly to represent the splendor of power, both ecclesial and political," said Alberto Melloni, John's biographer who runs the foundation in Bologna where his papers are kept. "His way of speaking off-the-cuff that night broke this scheme of video as a demonstration of power."

The speech is now fondly called the "Speech to the Moon." At the start, John marveled at the size of the crowd below and said it seemed almost as if the moon had come out early just to see the spectacle.

Though John didn't live to see the council through — he died of stomach cancer June 3, 1963 — he is credited with having had the courage to launch the process that has defined the 20th-century Catholic Church, renewing church doctrine for modern times.

Aside from Vatican II, John is perhaps best known for his last encyclical "Peace on Earth," issued in the aftermath of the Cuban missile crisis which had erupted just three days after Vatican II began. The document elaborated a new type of teaching of the church as promoter of world peace. It was the first encyclical addressed not just to clergy but to "all men of good will" in a sign of John's openness to the world outside the Vatican walls.

"He was a man who was able to transmit peace," Francis told a delegation from John's hometown of Bergamo on the 50th anniversary of his death last June. "He transmitted peace because he had a profoundly peaceful soul."

Martyrs, miracles and the stuff of making saints

By Nicole Winfield
Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — The Catholic Church makes saints to give the faithful role models. The process is cloaked in secrecy and open to criticism, given that it deals with science-defying miracles and notoriously politicized choices. In Sunday's dual papal canonization of John Paul II and John XXIII, it also involves rule-breaking, fast-track procedures.

But saints aren't going away anytime soon.

"Sainthood is part of the church's DNA," the Vatican's current chief saint-maker, Cardinal Angelo Amato, wrote in his 2012 tome on canonization. "Through the centuries, saints have been the spiritual doorway through which humanity is directed toward God."

The basics

The Vatican's detailed process for making a saint usually starts in the diocese where the candidate lived or died. A postulator — essentially the cheerleader spearheading the project — gathers testimony and documentation to build the case and presents the report to the Vatican's Congregation for the Causes of Saints. If the congregation's experts agree the candidate lived a virtuous life, the case is forwarded to the pope who signs a decree attesting to the candidate's "heroic virtues."

Over time, the postulator may come across information that someone was miraculously healed by praying to the candidate. If, upon further investigation, the cure cannot be medically explained, the case is presented to the congregation as the possible miracle needed for beatification. Panels of doctors, theologians, bishops and cardinals must certify that the cure was instantaneous, complete and lasting — and was due to the intercession of the sainthood candidate. If convinced, the congregation sends the case to the pope who signs a decree saying the candidate can be beatified. A second miracle is needed for canonization.

Beatification allows for veneration of the candidate locally, say in a particular diocese or country. Canonization allows for veneration throughout the universal church.

Martyrs, or people who were killed for their faith, get a free pass and can be beatified without a miracle. A miracle is needed, however, for martyrs to be canonized.

John XXIII and John Paul II

John Paul's record sprint to sainthood started during his 2005 funeral Mass, when chants of "Santo Subito" or "Sainthood Now" erupted from the crowd. Bowing to the calls, Pope Benedict XVI waived the typical five-year waiting period before a saintly investigation can begin and allowed the process to start just weeks after his death.

The rest of the process followed the rules: John Paul was beatified in 2011 after the Vatican certified that a French nun suffering from Parkinson's disease was miraculously healed after she prayed to him. A Costa Rican woman whose inoperable brain aneurism reportedly disappeared after she prayed to John Paul was the second miracle needed for canonization.

"I was scared I just wanted to die at home," Floribeth Mora told reporters Thursday of her state of mind after receiving her aneurism diagnosis. She said she saw a photo of John Paul in a magazine on the day he was beatified. "And from that moment I started a new life."

John XXIII was beatified in 2000 after the Vatican certified that the healing of an Italian nun suffering from a gastric hemorrhage was miraculous.

Pope Francis, very much a spiritual son of John, waived the Vatican rule requiring a second miracle so that John could be canonized alongside John Paul.

While popes past have tend-

ed to follow the saint-making process precisely except for occasional exceptions, Francis has waived the rules now on several occasions. On Thursday, for example, he presided over a Mass of thanksgiving for a Brazilian saint he declared without the necessary miracle.

Saints galore

John Paul declared more saints — 482 — than all of his predecessors combined. Some of his big-name saints: Edith Stein, a Jewish-born Carmelite nun who was killed at Auschwitz and Maximilian Kolbe, a Polish Franciscan friar who sacrificed his life at the death camp so that a man with a family could live.

He also beatified a record number: 1,338. Among them was none other than John XXIII in 2000 and Mother Teresa in 2003.

Benedict continued the process albeit at a slower clip — 44 saints under his watch — and only presided over canonizations, not beatifications. He made one exception for Cardinal John Henry Newman. Benedict beatified the 19th century Anglican convert to Catholicism during a 2010 trip to Britain.

Francis technically overtook John Paul's record within two months as pope: In May 2013, he canonized more than 800 15th century martyrs, the so-called "Martyrs of Otranto," who were beheaded for refusing to convert to Islam.

Too many saints?

The almost assembly-line approval of saints that started during John Paul's papacy raised questions that have been reignited with his own record-fast canonization. In his book "Making Saints," Newsweek magazine's longtime religion editor Kenneth Woodward argued that the important checks and balances in the saint-making process had been eliminated with the abolition of the "devil's advocate" — whose job was to challenge the postulator and find the holes in his case.

"Everyone involved in a canonization process now has a stake in its positive outcome," Woodward complained. He said that could result in the process being manipulated and an unworthy candidate canonized. "Without the devil's advocate, who can prevent such an outcome? And without some means of making the process public, who would know?"

Proponents of the current process insist that the checks and balances are in place with the "relator" or judge who reviews the case.

While few question that John Paul was saintly in many ways, his record-fast canonization has ruffled feathers even inside the Vatican, particularly given the stain on his legacy of having reigned while the sexual abuse scandal festered.

Should popes be saints?

Popes push the sainthood cases they like, ignore the ones they don't and delay those that are politically inopportune. Look at Oscar Romero, the Salvadoran priest gunned down as he celebrated Mass, a martyr for sure — but his case languished under two papacies that were hostile to liberation theology. Or World War II-era Pope Pius XII, whose case was launched in 1965 but delayed because of accusations by Jews that he didn't speak out enough against the Holocaust.

Given the politicized nature of the process, some have argued that popes really shouldn't even be made saints since they can only be models for other popes.

"Making a pope a saint is a way of strengthening his legacy, making it more difficult for future popes to change policies that he put in place," Vatican analyst the Rev. Thomas Reese wrote recently in the National Catholic Reporter.

But Monsignor Sławomir Oder, the postulator or chief cheerleader for John Paul's case, said it would be "absurd" to exempt popes from possible sainthood because their main job is to spread the faith and encourage Catholics to be saintly themselves.

"John Paul is surely a reference point for his successors, but not just that," Oder told reporters this week. "You can find the growth of his holiness in all the steps of his life."

No JP II fever in Poland as canonization nears

By Monika Scislowska
Associated Press

WADOWICE, Poland — His death triggered a massive outpouring of grief in Poland. His beatification, an explosion of pride and jubilation. But days before John Paul II is to be declared a saint, many of his countrymen are greeting the landmark with little more than a shrug.

One reason is that John Paul has already long been a saint in Polish hearts — so making it official with Vatican pageantry is just a bit of icing on the cake. But it's also clear that less than a decade since his death, the enthusiasm that Poles accord their great countryman seems to be dissipating, just as memories of him fade and a new generation comes of age in this young EU country that is moving toward a more secular outlook.

Only a few hundred people turned out in Warsaw's main square for prayers before the pope's relics on April 2, the ninth anniversary of his death. And there is little talk in Polish media of the Sunday saint-making ceremony at the Vatican. It all contrasts sharply with the pontiff's 2011 beatification, which was preceded by months of media frenzy and church preparations across Poland.

"Who needs this canonization?" said Andrzej Grendys, stressing that he is Catholic but does not go to church. "We all know that he was a very good and decent man with a great heart and mind. That is most important and needs no official confirmation."

And many say the country has already completed its emotional reckoning

with John Paul's life and death.

"We have discharged our emotions in spontaneous outpourings at John Paul's beatification and death," said Artur Sporniak of the Tygodnik Powszechny Catholic weekly. "That was a unique, mass experience of being a closely-knit community."

Even in Rome, preparations for the canonization are much more subdued than when John Paul was beatified. The Vatican is expecting far fewer people than the 1.5 million who saw the beatification Mass, and church officials readily acknowledge that this will be a "Francis-style" ceremony: no frills and low-cost.

Much of Poland's religious fervor went into preparations for Easter, an important holiday in Poland, just days before the canonization. Moreover, some of the Church's traditional appeal and authority were recently tarnished by reports of sex abuse of children by priests, some of whom have been indicted and handed prison terms. Feeling that burden — and apparently inspired by Francis — Poland's church has adopted a low-key approach to the canonization.

John Paul's death in 2005 brought millions of mourners, including some 1.5 million Poles, to the funeral in Rome. Six years later, huge crowds gathered again at the Vatican — and across Poland — to observe the beatification. But a similar exodus of Polish pilgrims is not expected for the canonization.

The economic crisis and high unemployment of some 13 percent has played a role in denting

plans to travel to the saint-making ceremony.

"I think that people in Poland are now very much focused on the mundane, they are trying to make ends meet and that's very challenging," said Agnieszka Lelinska, an accountant in Warsaw.

John Paul's successor, Pope Benedict XVI, bowed to calls at John Paul's funeral of "Santo Subito" — Sainthood Now — and opened the process only weeks after the pontiff's death, waiving the traditional five-year waiting period.

Pope Francis made a concession to Poles when he moved the Dec. 8, 2013 canonization date, to April 27, 2014 — after John Paul's personal secretary, Cardinal Stanislaw Dziwisz warned that icy December roads in Poland could be dangerous for pilgrims traveling to Rome.

April 27 is Divine Mercy Sunday, a religious holiday established by John Paul II. He was beatified on the holiday in 2011.

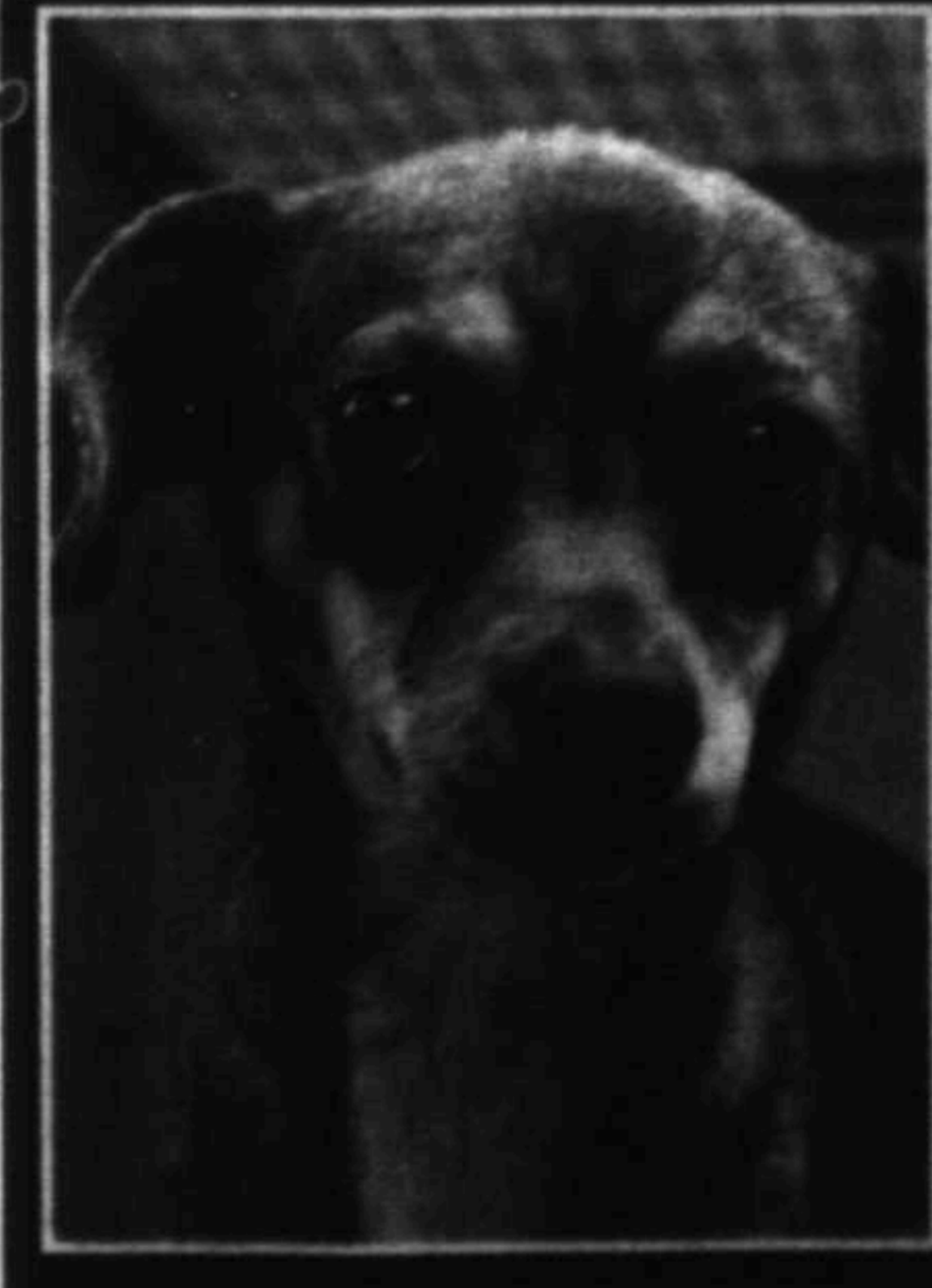
Against the generally subdued mood, many Poles are still rejoicing in John Paul's elevation. Some are marking the occasion by walking, running or biking to the Rome observances, which will be attended by Polish President Bronislaw Komorowski and his predecessors, Lech Walesa and Aleksander Kwasniewski.

In Wadowice, Jacek Waga, who was arranging flower pots in honor of the canonization, said the pope — while Cardinal Karol Wojtyla — led his Catholic confirmation ceremony.

"It is an extraordinary thing for me that in my lifetime I met a man who will be declared a saint," he said.

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COOKOFF AND CONCERT Best of the Basin BBQ Championship with Pat Green and Brian Milson, today and Saturday at CAF. Benefiting Bynum School. bynumschool.org/bob.

SATURDAY

GARAGE SALE Dust Bowl Animal Rescue garage sale fundraiser, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at 8701 Holiday Drive, Odessa. dustbowlanimalrescue.com

WALK/RUN Permian Basin Autism SHARE Walk at UTPB campus. sharewtx.org

CLAY SHOOT West Texas Boys Ranch ninth annual Sporting Clay Shoot at San Angelo Claybird Association. wtbr.org

SUNDAY

CHURCH MEETING with

Daniel A. Mooney, 7 p.m. Sunday-May 3 at Manna For Life Ministries in Odessa.

CONCERT Voices of the Permian Basin "Around the World in 80 Minutes," 3 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Odessa. mosc.org.

MONDAY

PROGRAM Holocaust remembrance ceremony and program, 8:30 p.m. at UTPB. 553-5707

THURSDAY

75TH ANNIVERSARY Children's Service League's Diamond Jubilee, 6 p.m. at the Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center. mcrc1.org

MEETING Midland Aglow meeting with speaker Claudine Chaney, 7-9 p.m. at Abundant Life Worship Center. midaglow.com

COMING SOON

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SPEAKER Kris Swiatocho, May 2 at First Fridays at First Baptist Church. 683-0644

CONCERT MercyMe with Jamie Grace and Citizen Way, 7 p.m. May 2 at ACE Arena in Andrews. whatyeshuacando.com

BRUNCH 11th Annual Ladies Brunch "Rooted in Christ... Spreading His Love," 10 a.m.-noon May 3 at Wilshire Park Baptist Church. 694-7787

BUTTERFLY RELEASE Home Hospice Butterfly Release and Family Celebrations, 2-4 p.m. May 3 at Carrasco Room, Midland College. 580-9990

RACE Midland County Child Welfare sixth annual Blue Ribbon Run, 8:30 a.m. May 3 at Allison Fine Arts Parking Lot at Midland College.

BOOK SIGNING Emily Edwards will sign copies of "What's Your Problem? Discovering God's Greatness in the Midst of Your Storms," 11 a.m.-5 p.m. May 3 at Mardel Christian Education and Supply. mardel.com

SPEAKER Concho/Sibley Brown Bag Series featuring William Wren, special assistant to the superintendent of McDonald Observatory in Texas' Davis Mountains, May 7 at the Sibley Nature Center. sibleynaturecenter.org

CONCERT Allegro Chorale with pianist Steve Spain, 7:30 p.m. May 8 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church. musicallegro.org

LUNCHEON Style Show & Luncheon benefiting Midland Need to Read, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. May 8 at Midland Country Club. 682-9693

BANQUET 14th annual Mother and Daughter Banquet with speaker Lela McNary of Macedonia Baptist Church, 7 p.m. May 10 at Saint James Baptist Church in Odessa. 580-3306

SPEAKER The Rev. John E. Afendoulis of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church on "Icons: History and Worship in a Sacred Place," 1 p.m. May 10 at Ellen Noel Art Museum. noelartmuseum.org

GOLF TOURNAMENT Basic Energy and Fletco Services present Golf Fore Kids' Sake to benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters, May 12 at Green Tree Country Club. bbsmidland.org

GOLF TOURNAMENT AND DINNER Farm to Fairway Barbecue Dinner and Auction Golf Tournament, May 16 at Hogan Park. Benefits Jubilee Center of Midland. 520-0671

HEALING CONFERENCE The Healing Reawakening with Judith MacNutt, May 15-17 at Christ Church Anglican. ccanglican.com

FINANCIAL CLASS Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University series, 6:45 p.m. May 28 at The Pentecostals. 210-9976

RACE The Color Dash 5K run to benefit The Life Center, May 31 at Scharbauer Sports Complex. midlandlifecenter.org

To include your event on this calendar, email Megan Buck at mbuck@mrt.com.



WINE, WOMEN AND SHOES

"Wine, Women and Shoes" fundraiser event for the Midland Rape Crisis and Children's Advocacy Center was held on Tuesday at Midland Center.

James Durbin
Reporter-Telegram

MINISTRY

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anything that could help the center run smoothly and the therapists and instructors keep focus on their work. Her time there became less about filling up her days, and more about the children the center served.

"Seeing the children improve with their therapy gave me a lift. They were what kept me going," she said.

Roemer, now in her second year as president, was similarly inspired to join after learning about the center and the league. With a desire to give to her community, CSL was a perfect fit. But she came to the league and the center with added skills that fit right in.

SHARE

From 1B

was in Dallas. Rollerblade offered to sponsor the rest of his trip. He made the journey in 44 days.

"The whole premise was the idea of bringing people together for a cause," he said.

He used the skates as a prop and counted on people asking him what he was doing.

"We all have choices in life, and for me it was doing something is not the same thing as doing nothing," he said. "I am on the spectrum and I do have a voice."

He recently completed his book, which is written mostly as a series of diary entries from Aodhán to Brienne. Given his experience, it's safe to say Aodhán's character is based on Patrick. And Melvin? Well, the monkey is based on what Patrick was literally carrying on his back — his backpack.

"Melvin is to me what Wilson is to Tom Hanks (in "Cast Away") but I like Melvin more because I never lost him," Patrick said, laughing.

Patrick will be the guest speaker at this year's Permian Basin Autism SHARE walk. The fifth annual event kicks off at 9 a.m. Saturday at the UTPB campus in Odessa. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. or participants may register online at sharewtx.org. In addition to the 1.5-mile walk, a 1/4-mile stroller and wheelchair route is planned. For those who want to participate but don't want to walk, the event will include a DJ, sensory room, therapy horses and face painting. Registration is not required and there is no cost to participate.

Funds raised at this year's event will benefit SHARE, a local nonprofit that offers respite and support programs for families with children with special needs. Proceeds from past



Children's Service League volunteers in 1964

teacher for 13 years and I missed the ability to work with children and be in that environment," she said. "After discovering the center, I just really attached myself."

Roemer joined the league six years ago. Mueller started out as a

therapist with the center in 1986. After a short time away, she returned after being named executive director in 2001. Her experience with the league has run the gamut, but the value has been the same. "As a therapist, I saw them go to great lengths

to make the children feel welcome and they would help us any way they could. I've had a warm spot in my heart for them from the beginning and have found them willing to do just about anything within the limits of their own finances. I truly think one could not exist without the other," she said.

As for the Diamond Jubilee event, Holcomb is thrilled.

"I think it's wonderful," she said. "Anyone can join the league and would be happy with their work. I think it's one of the best organizations in town."

Diamond Jubilee will be held at the Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center, 802 Ventura Ave. 6 p.m. May 1. Call 432-498-2053 for more information.

families in need of the nonprofit's services, and often the calls are from families who are new to town.

"They're shocked that a program like this exists here," she said.

SHARE currently serves 560 clients, Roach said. Clients often find relief in meeting other families who can relate to their experiences.

"They form bonds, they help take care of each other," she said.

Patrick, who is now living in Odessa, volunteers with the nonprofit.

"It's an organization that doesn't ask you for money, doesn't ask you for insurance, just asks you to show up and bring your kids," he said.

He also spends his time talking to families with children who have been diagnosed with autism.

Patrick isn't only an advocate for those on the autism spectrum, he is

on the spectrum and he's also a father of children diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder.

He doesn't claim to be a doctor, but he can sit and listen to families and offer his own perspective.

"What I do have is experience, not only as a parent of kids on the spectrum but as an adult," he said.

This will be his second year to speak at the Permian Basin Autism Walk and though his book won't be officially released until June 4, he's releasing a special first edition for the event and donating 30 percent of the proceeds to SHARE.

For more information on "Brienne's Diary" by Brian Patrick, go to briennesdiary.com. For more information on the Permian Basin Autism SHARE Walk, go to sharewtx.org.

Midlander to present historic photos at Holocaust event

By Megan Lea Buck
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Black and white photographs show a small Lithuanian village in the 1930s. People gather in front of a school building and one of the faces in the crowd is that of Rabbi Yisrael Meir Kagan, one of the founders of Judaism's Modern Orthodox movement. Kagan died in 1933 and Nazis killed the Jews in the village in 1942.

Midlander Dr. Frank Kasman, a retired dentist, will present photos and information about the village of Radin at 6:30 p.m. Monday during a memorial service for Holocaust Remembrance Day. The ceremony will be held in the student union inside the Mesa Building at UTPB. Along with Kasman's presentation, the event will include the reading of names of Jews, Gypsies and others killed during the Holocaust and the lighting of candles in their memory. A reception will follow.

The event is being put on by The Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission, the Jewish Philanthropic Union in Midland/Odessa and UTPB. Kasman, a member of The Texas Holocaust and Genocide Commission, spent more than 20 years studying the village of Radin after acquiring the photographs from the attic of a relative in Massachusetts. He does not know who took the photographs that capture daily life in the Eastern European village but he has completed extensive research on

Kagan and the town. Students from around Europe and the United States came to Radin to study with Kagan. In the early 1930s, the rabbi advised his students to leave and most of them had traveled to the U.S. or Palestine before Nazis invaded the village in 1942.

"One day the Nazis came in and separated the Jews from everyone else and eventually killed the Jews," Kasman said, describing Radin as an agricultural village about the size of Stanton.

In his research, Kasman has spoken with survivors of the killings in Radin. He will share his stories and his collection of photos — that also includes photographs taken of the village in the 1980s — during the Monday event.

HOLocaust REMEMBRANCE DAY | 6:30 p.m. Monday | Mesa Building at UTPB | free and open to the public

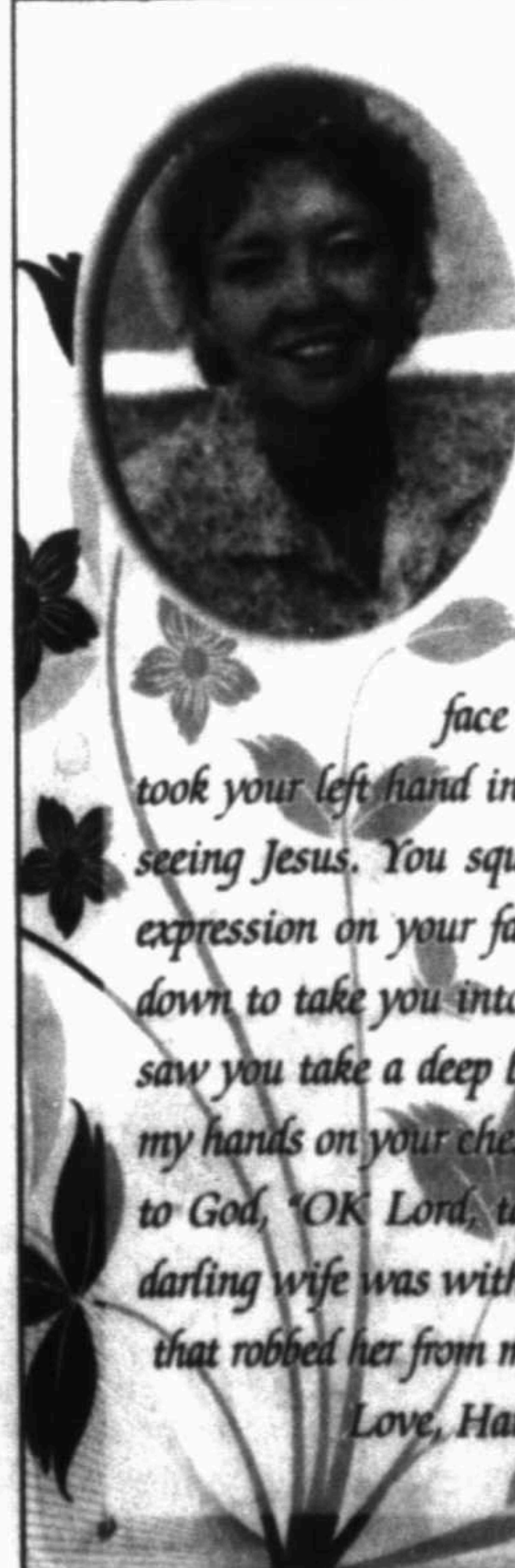
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Mary Lou Cross

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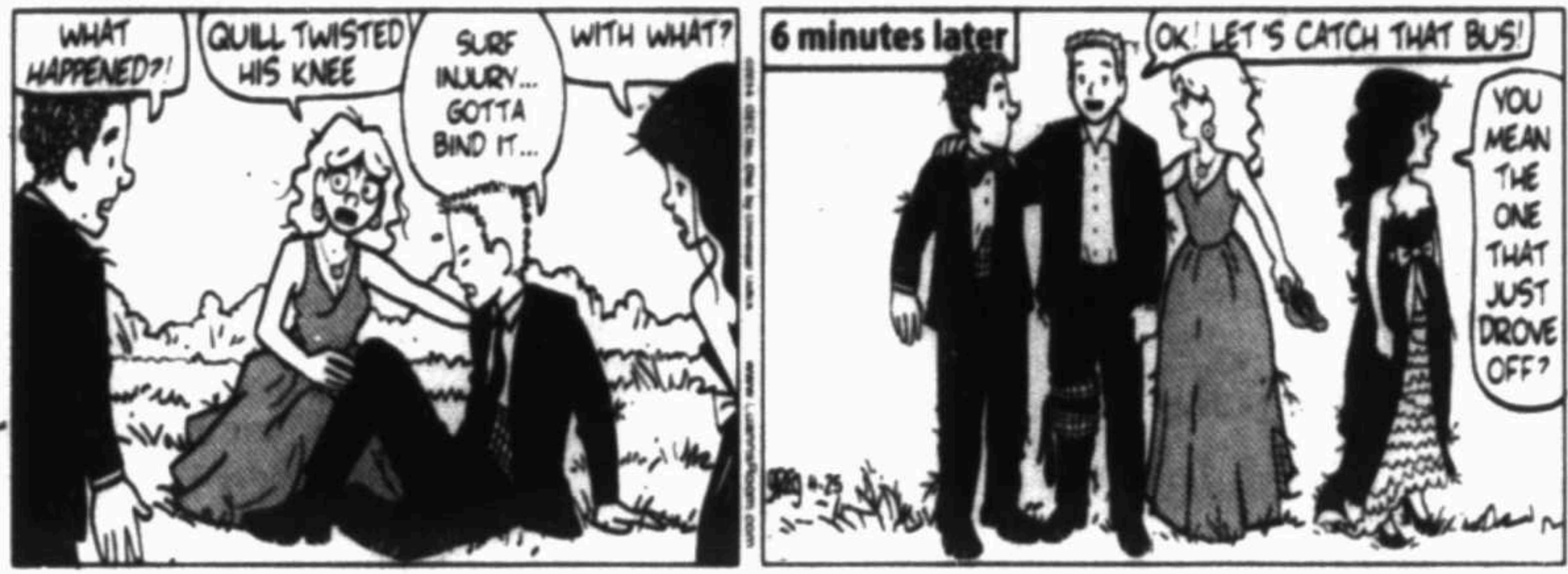
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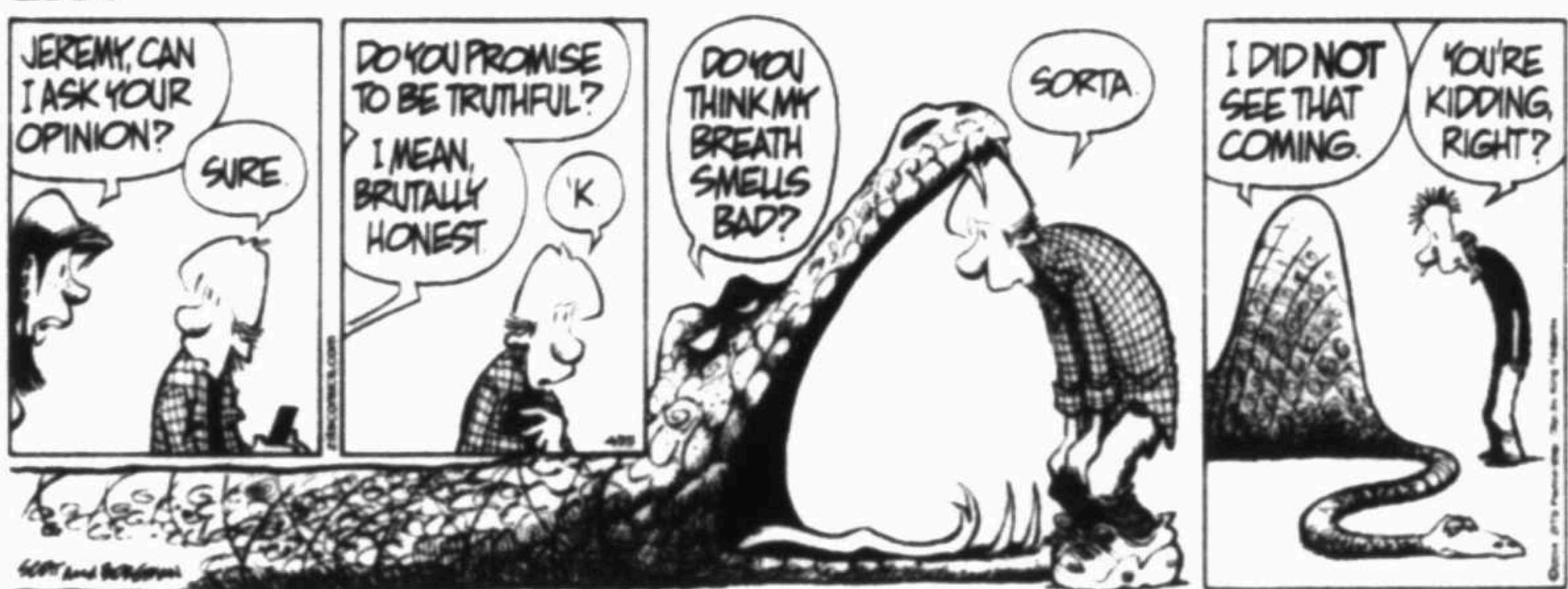
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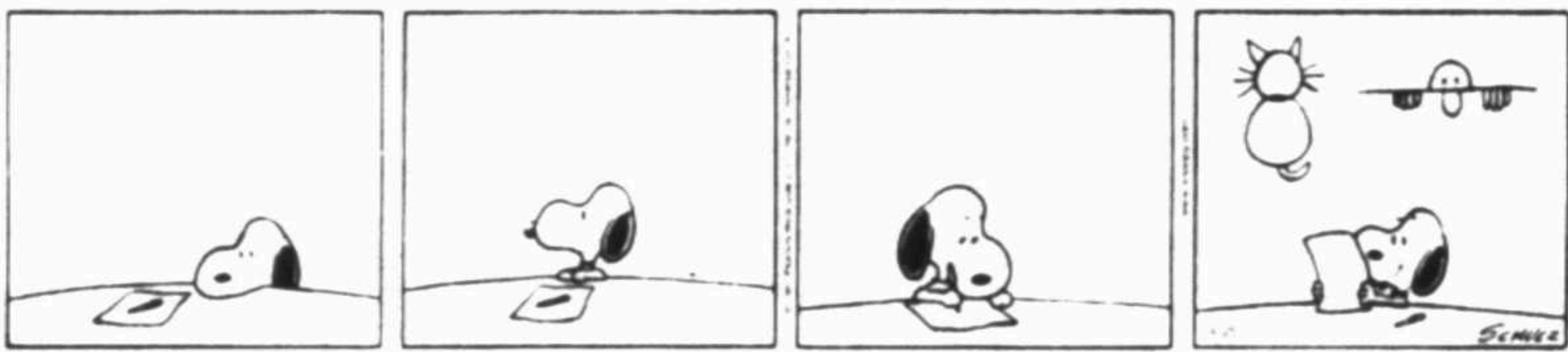
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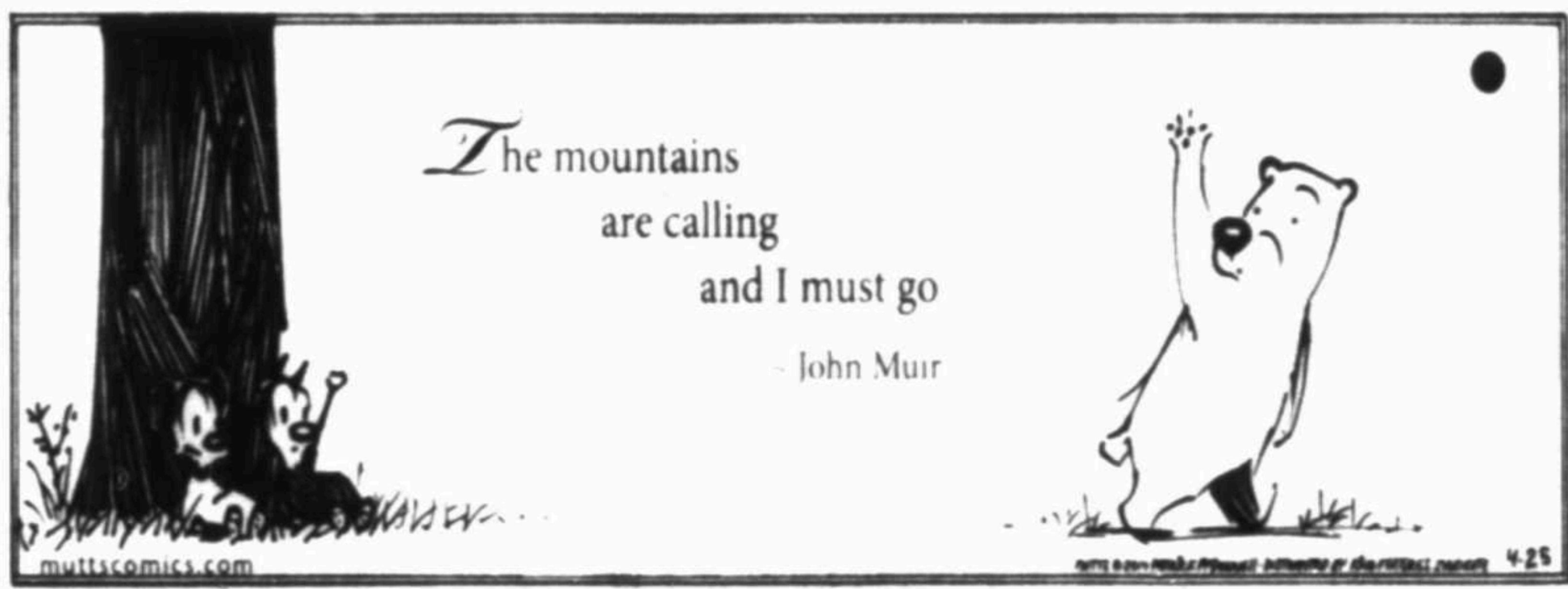
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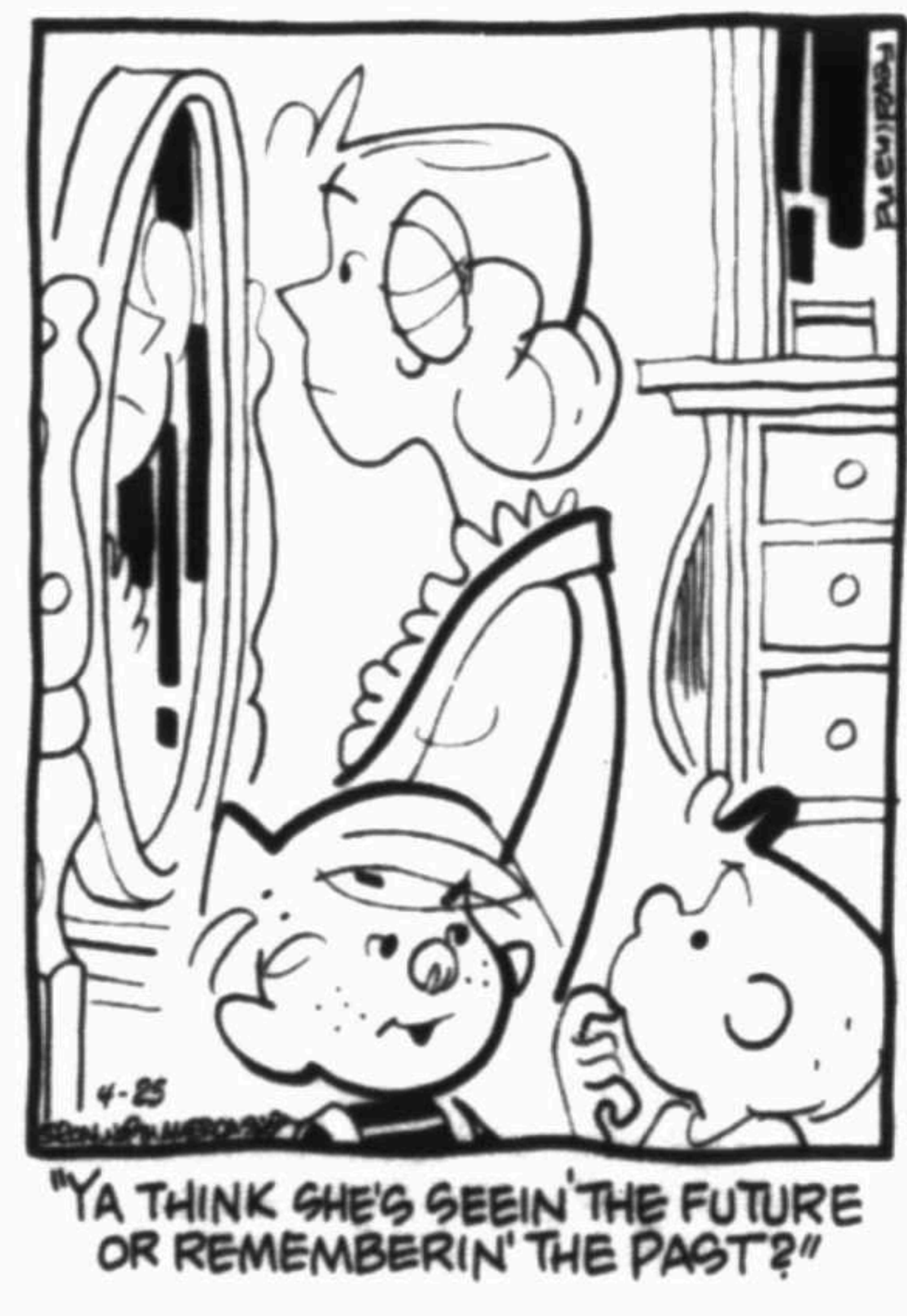
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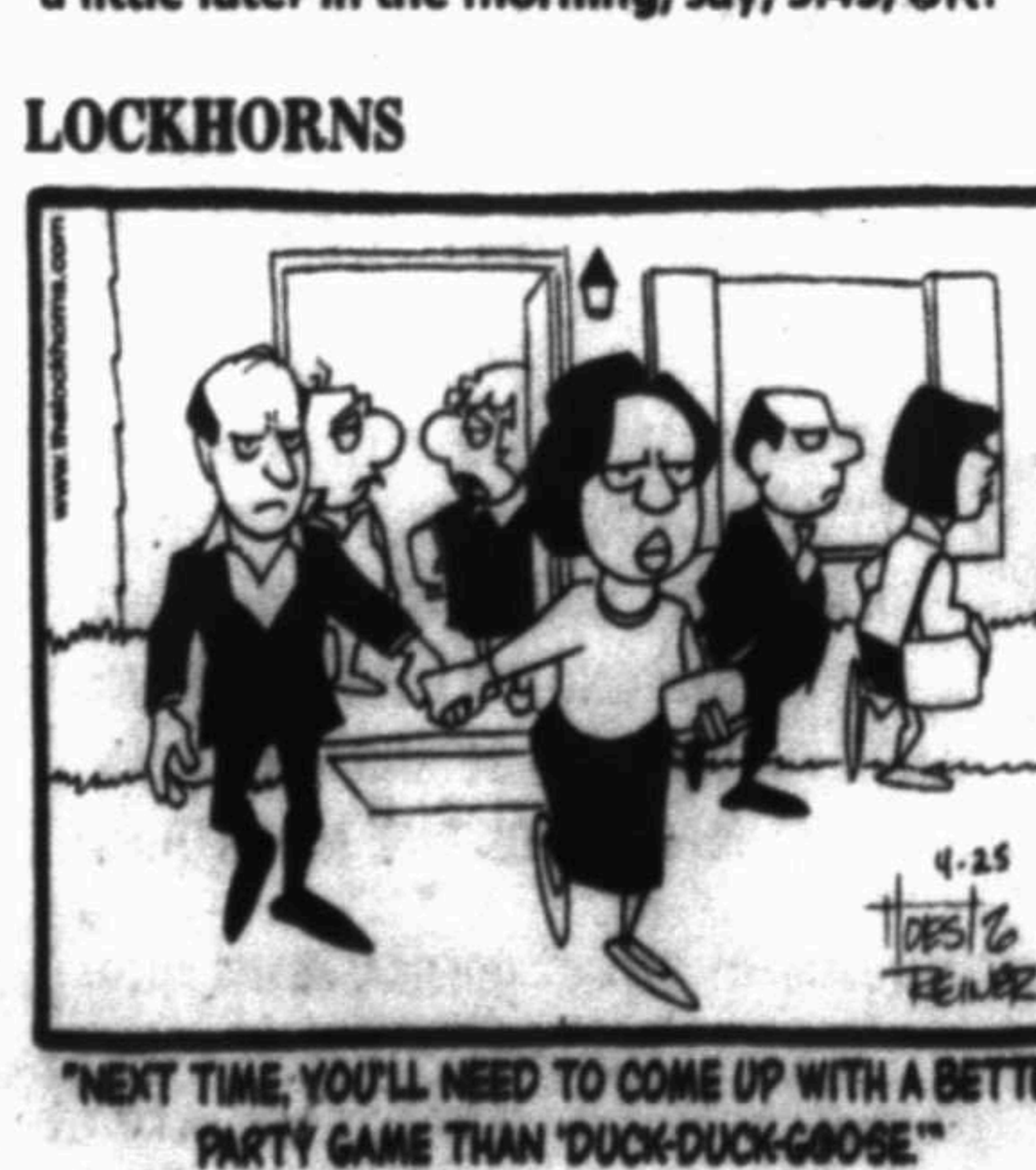
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MHS, Lee aces look to continue rolling in playoffs

Lady Rebels' Olivas gaining confidence

By Len Hayward
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A staple of Kyle Olivas' equipment when she pitched was a mask, and for good reason. Olivas was hit by a line drive during a select game before her freshman year at Lee, and she suffered some fractured bones in her face. Olivas, now a senior, has worn a mask when she pitches ever since

The game

LEE VS. EL PASO FRANKLIN

When: 7 p.m. today
Where: Sul Ross State University, Alpine

that summer day in Colorado. But in a game against Odessa High on April

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Olivas



Baeza

Baeza's increasing power benefiting Lady Bulldogs

By Len Hayward
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Stefani Baeza knew early in her career at Midland High that she wasn't going to overpower opponents with her pitching. That's why Baeza has spent the past three years trying to figure out other ways to beat opponents.

Baeza has certainly become stronger since her sophomore season, but much of her confidence comes from learning how to pitch.

Baeza hasn't added any pitches, but she's just constantly working on the ones she does have, and fine-tuning her

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The games

MIDLAND HIGH VS. EL PASO BEL AIR

When: Best-of-three series. Game 1: 5 p.m. today. Game 2: 10 a.m. Saturday. Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2, if necessary.

Where: All games at Sul Ross State University, Alpine

Complete turnaround



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High girls 800-meter relay, from left to right, are, from left to right, Keaton Fricker, Jimmiriyia Goodley, Bria Lewis, and Tammie Hickey. They are competing this weekend at the Region I-5A track meet in Lubbock.

MHS girls relay teams show hard work pays off

By Len Hayward
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If there's one thing Midland High girls track coach Hil Ochoa wanted his athletes to learn this year, it was hard work.

Ochoa's practices weren't the easiest because he stressed distance conditioning as well as speed and strength, but as the Lady Bulldogs get ready to send two relay squads to the Region I-5A track meet this weekend, the athletes are believers in how hard work can pay off, and one of those teams, the 800-meter relay team, will go to regionals as an area champion.

"He empowers us to want to work harder, more than any other year we've run track for Midland High," said junior Tammie Hickey, who runs on the 400-meter and 800-meter relays. "The harder we practice, the better we get with each other."

The next test for Midland High's 400 and 800 relay teams is to see where they stack up against the best the region has to offer. But just getting to this point is even surprising to the runners themselves.

Inside

See briefs on all regional track qualifiers from Midland High and Lee. Also see a list of other area regional qualifiers.

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Hickey teams with Shea'eria Robinson, Jimmiriyia Goodley and Zakymbria (who is known as Bria) Lewis on the sprint relay. Goodley, Hickey, Lewis and Keaton Fricker are on the 800 relay.

It's in the 800 relay where there has been a marked improvement. A year ago, the Lady Bulldogs finished sixth in the district and didn't even qualify for the area meet.

This year, MHS finished second in the district meet to Lubbock Coronado but then in the area meet turned around and edged the Lady Mustangs to win the area title.

"Oh definitely (it's surprising)," Lewis said. "Last year we went from not even making it out of district and now

we are going to regionals. It's crazy," Hickey added. "It's amazing what you can accomplish in a year."

Ochoa said it did take time for the athletes to get used to his style of coaching, but he said it wasn't a surprise for the two relay teams to qualify.

"They've bought into what we are trying to do, and that's just hard work," said Ochoa, who is also Midland High's cross-country coach. "There was some hesitation about what I was doing with them, compared to what they had been through before. There's been a lot of hard work they've done and has them where they are right now. To them it's a surprise, but I talk to my coaching staff and I probably could've told you they could've gotten here at this time in this position."

Qualifying for the state meet will be a long shot for both teams, considering Region I has some of the state's top girls track teams, such as DeSoto, Cedar Hill and Duncanville. Ochoa said the goal is to qualify for Saturday's finals, and then see what can happen.

Either way, though, the runners have laid a foundation for future years.

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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Alex Cejka, No. 2 on the Web.com money list, follows his shot Thursday during the opening round of the WNB Golf Classic at Midland Country Club.

Pamplung cards 66 in wind, in 3-way tie

By Len Hayward
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What might be most amazing about Rod Pamplung's 6-under 66 on Thursday at Midland Country Club was the fact he did that with the West Texas sky looking more brown than blue.

Pamplung is tied for the lead after the opening round of the Web.com Tour's WNB Golf Classic with his 66, but he was able to card that score on a morning where the wind was blowing constantly at 20-25 mph, with gusts of more than 30 mph.

A pair of players who teed off in the afternoon took advantage of relatively calm conditions to card their 66s —

Andrew Putnam and Trevor Murphy — but Putnam said he was more than impressed with what Pamplung had pulled off at MCC on Thursday morning.

"Six-under in that wind is unreal," said Putnam. "We saw that the wind was going to die down this afternoon and we were kind of fist pumping inside. I've been on both ends of the spectrum, and luckily it played pretty easy for us today. Obviously Rod was playing some really good golf."

Pamplung, who is a native of Australia but now lives in Double Oak near Flower Mound, had one bogey on the day with seven birdies and did it all while the wind was howling.

Pamplung is somewhat used to windy conditions as a native Australian and also living and playing in Texas, but even he hadn't seen conditions like Thursday. For him, though, the key was hitting some key putts down the stretch. He had 27 putts on the day.



Pamplung

Please see CLASSIC/4C

Rangers checking Kouzmanoff's back

Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Texas third baseman Kevin Kouzmanoff was scheduled to be evaluated today at home by a back specialist before the Rangers make a roster move to activate Adrian Beltre from the disabled list.

Kouzmanoff, who is hitting .362 in 13 games and is the reigning AL player of the week, came out of Tuesday's game at Oakland because of a sore back.

General manager Jon Daniels said Kouzmanoff has some history of lower back problems and was still having symptoms Thursday, an off day for the Rangers between series at Oakland and Seattle. Daniels said Kouzmanoff was traveling back to Texas and that the Rangers hoped to have a report from Dr. Drew Dossett before making room

on the roster for Beltre, the third baseman who hasn't played since April 8 because of a left quad strain.

Left-hander Pedro Figueroa, who has had Tommy John surgery in the past, has a torn ligament in his elbow and damage to a flexor tendon. The reliever, who last week got his first two major league victories in consecutive weeks, will likely have surgery next week.

Figueroa was put on the disabled list Wednesday after throwing only one pitch Tuesday night. He was the 11th Rangers player to go on the DL this year.

Daniels said outfielder Shin-Soo Choo reported improvement Thursday on his sore left ankle that the team is "expecting at this point to be able to avoid the DL." Choo got hurt Monday night at Oakland when he landed awkwardly when extending his leg to beat out what was ruled an infield single.

Former Rangers closer Neftali Feliz was put on the minor league disabled list with Triple-A Round Rock because of soreness and inflammation around his right elbow.

Team physician Dr. Keith Meister examined Feliz, and Daniels said Feliz is on oral medication for the inflammation and could resume throwing early next week. There appears to be no structural damage or issues with any ligaments.

Feliz had ligament replacement surgery Aug. 1, 2012, after starting that season in the rotation, and returned to the Texas bullpen for six appearances at the end of last season. The Rangers sent him to the minors after he was inconsistent with his velocity and performance during spring training.



Matt Strassen/AP

Texas' Kevin Kouzmanoff, left, rounds second base after hitting a home run during Saturday's game against Chicago in Arlington.

HOUNDWATCH



THURSDAY'S SCORE
Corpus Christi 9, Midland 3

TODAY'S GAME
Midland at San Antonio, 7:05 p.m. today
- Nelson W. Wolf Municipal Stadium, San Antonio

RADIO/INTERNET
www.mrt.com
KCRS (550 AM)

RECORDS
Midland 11-8, San Antonio 9-11

Wednesday	Thursday	Today	Saturday	Sunday
Midland 3, Corpus Christi 1	Corpus Christi 9, Midland 3	Midland at San Antonio	Midland at San Antonio	Midland at San Antonio

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

WHAT'S ON TV
AUTO RACING
NASCAR, Sprint Cup, practice for Toyota Owners 400, 9 a.m., Fox Sports 1
NASCAR, Sprint Cup, "Happy Hour Series," final practice for Toyota Owners 400, Noon, Fox Sports 1
NASCAR, Nationwide Series, pole qualifying for ToyotaCare 250, 2 p.m., ESPN2
NASCAR, Sprint Cup, pole qualifying for Toyota Owners 400, 4 p.m., Fox Sports 1
NASCAR, Nationwide Series, ToyotaCare 250, 6 p.m., ESPN2
COLLEGE BASEBALL
Oklahoma at Texas Tech, 6:30 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest
Kansas at Baylor, 6:30 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest Plus
GOLF
European PGA Tour, China Open, second round (same-day tape), 8:30 a.m., TGC
PGA Tour, Zurich Classic, second round, 2 p.m., TGC
LPGA, Swinging Skirts Classic, second round, 5:30 p.m., TGC
MLB
Regional coverage, Pitts-

burgh at St. Louis or Cincinnati at Atlanta, 7 p.m., MLB Network

NBA
Playoffs, first round, game 3, Toronto at Brooklyn, 6 p.m., ESPN2
Playoffs, first round, game 3, Chicago at Washington, 7 p.m., ESPN
Playoffs, first round, game 3, Houston at Portland, 9:30 p.m., ESPN

NHL
Playoffs, conference quarterfinals, game 5, N.Y. Rangers at Philadelphia, 6 p.m., CNBC
Playoffs, conference quarterfinals, game 5, Chicago at St. Louis, 7 p.m., NBC Sports Network
Playoffs, conference quarterfinals, game 5, Dallas at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m., NBC Sports Network

WOMEN'S COLLEGE LACROSSE
ACC Championship Tournament Semifinal, Noon, Fox Sports Southwest Plus
ACC Championship Tournament Semifinal, Noon, Fox Sports Southwest Plus, 2 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest Plus

WHAT'S ON DECK

TODAY GOLF
WNB Golf Classic, Web.com Tour, Midland Country Club
JUNIOR COLLEGE BASEBALL
Luna Community College at Midland College, 3 p.m. (DH)
JUNIOR COLLEGE SOFTBALL
Midland College at Luna Community College, 1 p.m. (DH)
HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL
Midland High at Abilene High, 4:30 p.m.
Abilene Cooper at Lee, 4:30 p.m.
Midland Classical at Amarillo San Jacinto, 4:30 p.m.
HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL
Class 3A, Greenwood vs. Fabens, 5 p.m. Fort Stockton HS
Class 5A, Midland High vs. El Paso Bel Air, 5 p.m., Sul Ross State, Alpine
Class 5A, Lee vs. El Paso Franklin 7 p.m., Mack Chase Sports Complex, Artesia, N.M.
COLLEGE BASEBALL
UTPB at Texas A&M-International, 2 p.m. (DH)
HIGH SCHOOL TRACK
Region I-5A Meet, Lubbock
Region I-3A Meet, Lubbock
Region I-2A Meet, Odessa
Region I-A Meet, Levelland
Region II-A Meet, LeGrand Sports Complex, San Angelo
TAPPS North Region Meet, Carrollton
TENNIS
Racquet Club Pro Showdown

LOCAL SPORTS

HODGENS ACES AT GTCC
Tim Hodgens made a hole-in-one on the 7th hole on the East course at Green Tree Country Club on Wednesday. Mike Abbott and Roger Tambellini were witnesses.

NBA PLAYOFFS

Thursday's Scores
Atlanta 85, Indiana 85
Memphis 98, Oklahoma City 95, OT. Memphis leads series 2-1
L.A. Clippers at Golden State, late

Today's Games
Toronto at Brooklyn, 6 p.m.
Chicago at Washington, 7 p.m.
Houston at Portland, 9:30 p.m.

THURSDAY'S BOXES
HAWKS @ PACERS 85
INDIANA (85): George 3-11 5-6 12, West 7-12 2-16, Hibbert 2-9 0-4, O. Hail 1-11 2-2, Stephenson 8-16 3-8 21, Watson 2-6 1-1-6, Manum 1-3 0-2, Scott 7-11 4-17, Turner 1-4 0-3, Copeland 0-1 0-0 0-0, Totals 32-85 16-21 85
ATLANTA (85): Carroll 6-8 4-6 18, Millsap 3-11 7-8 14, Antic 0-5 1-2 1, Teague 7-20 8-22, Kover 6-9 4-20, Williams 3-4 3-11, Brand 1-4 2-3 4, Scott 1-5 3-4 5, Mack 1-5 0-0 3, Muscala 0-0 0-0 0, Schroder 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 28-73 30-37 88
Indiana 24 14 20 27 — 85
Atlanta 24 15 28 31 — 86

Atlanta — Indiana 2-0 (Stephenson 2-6, Turner 1-2, Watson 1-3), Atlanta 12-3 (Kover 4-14, Copeland 0-1, G. Hail 0-3), Atlanta 12-3 (Kover 4-14, Williams 2-3, Carroll 2-4, Teague 2-6, Mack 1-4, Millsap 1-4, Scott 0-2, Antic 0-4) Fouled

Out—None Rebounds—Indiana 56 (George 14), Atlanta 54 (Millsap 14) Assists—Indiana 21 (West 5), Atlanta 21 (Teague 10) Total Fouls—Indiana 22, Atlanta 19 Technicals—Scott, Scott A.—18, 124 (18,729)

GRIZZLIES @ THUNDER 95, OT
OKLAHOMA CITY (95): Durant 10-27 10-13 30, Ibaka 6-10 0-0 12, Perkins 3-3 1-2 7, Westbrook 8-26 8-12 30, Selousha 2-3 3-7 7, Collins 1-1 0-0 2, Jackson 2-9 0-4 5, Butler 0-5 0-0 0, Fisher 1-3 0-0 3, Jones 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 34-87 22-30 95
MEMPHIS (98): Price 2-5 0-0 4, Randolph 5-20 6-7 16, Gasol 7-14 0-0 14, Conley 8-14 2-2 20, Lee 3-9 3-10, Koutras 3-6 0-0 6, Allen 8-15 0-0 16, Miller 0-3 0-0 0, Udonis 5-6 1-2 12, Davis 0-0 0-0 0, Totals 41-92 12-15 98
Oklahoma City 18 18 25 24 10 — 95
Memphis 24 20 27 14 13 — 98

3-Point Goals—Oklahoma City 5-28 (Westbrook 4-13, Fisher 1-1, Selousha 0-1, Jackson 0-2, Butler 0-3, Durant 0-8), Memphis 4-16 (Conley 2-5, Udonis 1-2, Lee 1-2, Randolph 0-1, Prince 0-1, Miller 0-2, Allen 0-3) Fouled Out—None Rebounds—Oklahoma City 59 (Westbrook 13), Memphis 56 (Randolph 10) Assists—Oklahoma City 13 (Durant, Jackson 3), Memphis 21 (Randolph 6) Total Fouls—Oklahoma City 23, Memphis 21 A.—18, 119 (18,119)

NHL PLAYOFFS

Thursday's Scores
Boston 3, Detroit 2, OT. Boston leads series 3-1
Colorado at Minnesota, late
San Jose at Los Angeles, late

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL — Suspended N.Y. Yankees RHP Michael Pineda 10 games for possessing a foreign substance on his person during Wednesday's game.
American League
BOSTON RED SOX — Reinstated RHP Alex Wilson to Pawtucket (IL). Reinstated OF Shane Victorino from the 15-day DL.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Reinstated 2B Gordon Beckham from the 15-day DL.
MINNESOTA TWINS — Reinstated RHP Matt Garza from New Britain (IL) to Rochester (IL). Claimed OF Kerry Wilson off waivers from Toronto and optioned him to New Britain (IL).
NEW YORK YANKEES — Optioned INF Dean Aze and RHP Preston Claborn to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Transferred RHP Ivan Nova to the 60-day DL. Agreed to terms with RHP Bruce Birtwell on a one-year contract. Reinstated RHP Shane Bieber from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre.
SEATTLE MARINERS — Optioned INF Nick Franklin to High Desert (CA). Selected the contract of OF Cole Gillespie from Tacoma.
TEXAS RANGERS — Named Darren Oliver special assistant to the general manager.
National League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Placed OF Mark Trumbo on the 15-day DL. Reinstated OF Roger Kiesling from Reno (PCL).
FLORIDA SPRINKERS — Sent RHP Gavin Floyd to Gwinnett (IL) for a rehab assignment.
CHICAGO CUBS — Placed OF Justin Ruggiano on the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP Blake Parker to Iowa (PCL). Reinstated LHP Zac Rosensap and RHP Neil Ramirez from Iowa.
MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Optioned RHP Alfredo Figaro to Nashville (PCL). Reinstated RHP Brandon Kintzler from the 15-day DL.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Optioned RHP Jared Hughes to Indianapolis (IL). Reinstated RHP Brandon Cumpton from Indianapolis.
SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Assigned 2B Nick Hummer to San Jose (CAL).
Atlanta Braves
LONG ISLAND DUCKS — Signed RHP

Brad Holt
Frontier League
FRONTIER GREYS — Signed 3B Greg Bachman and LHP Jarrod Lewis.
SCHUMBURG BOOMERS — Released RHP Tony Delmonico.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NBA — Fined Charlotte F. Josh McRoberts \$20,000 for making unnecessary and excessive contact with Miami F LeBron James during Wednesday's game.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
SUFFALO BILLS — Named Gerald Dixon pro scout.
DALLAS COWBOYS — Signed QB Cole Hennis.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Signed LB Josh Hull.
SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Announced the retirement of CB Marshon Tuioti.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
MONTREAL CANADIENS — Signed F Daniel Carr to a two-year, entry-level contract and Connor Clapp to a three-year, entry-level contract.
COLLEGE
SOUTHERN CONFERENCE — Named Joe Tubler coordinator of wrestling officials.
AUBURN — Named Harris Adler men's assistant basketball coach.
CALDWELL — Named Ken Yokobosky bowling coach.
COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON — Named Candice Jackson women's basketball coach.
COLORADO — Announced G Spencer Dinwiddie will enter the NBA draft.
MARSHALL — Named Dan D'Antoni men's basketball coach.
NEBRASKA — Announced men's basketball F Moses Abbotin Ayegbe is transferring from Georgia.
NORTHLAND — Announced the resignation of women's hockey coach Steve Pabian to become women's coach at Oronoco (WV).

HSSOFTBALLCAPSULES

BY LEN HAYWARD

CLASS 5A BI-DISTRICT MIDLAND HIGH VS. EL PASO BEL AIR

When/where: Best-of-three series, Game 1, 5 p.m. today; Game 2, 10 a.m. Saturday; Game 3, 30 minutes following Game 2, if necessary; all games at Sul Ross State University softball field, Alpine

Records: Midland High 20-7, El Paso Bel Air 20-7

How they got here: Midland High finished second in District 2-5A; El Paso Bel Air finished third in District 1-5A

Next: Winner vs. Arlington Martin or Southlake Carroll, Class 5A area round, TBA

LEE VS. EL PASO FRANKLIN

When/where: 7 p.m. today, Sul Ross State University softball field, Alpine

Records: Lee 18-10, El Paso Franklin 17-7

How they got here: Lee finished tied for third place in District 2-5A but won a coin flip for the third seed; El Paso Franklin finished second in District 1-5A

Next: Winner vs. Richland or Arlington Bowie in Class 5A area round, TBA

CLASS 3A BI-DISTRICT GREENWOOD VS. FABENS
When/where: 5 p.m. today, Fort Stockton HS

Records: Greenwood 15-

13. Fabens 18-10

How they got here: Greenwood finished second in District 4-3A; Fabens finished in third place in District 3-3A

Notes: The Rangerettes head into the postseason this year playing with some confidence. After losing the District 4-3A opener against Monahans, Greenwood won seven of its next nine games, and its only two losses during that time were to district champion Snyder. "I think we are playing very well, and we are hitting the ball well, one through nine," Greenwood coach Lee Anne Curry said. "If we continue that and the excitement that we had going through the

Snyder game, we should be successful." ... Curry said she had a chance to scout Fabens during a game with Pecos last week in Van Horn. Curry said the Lady Wildcats are aggressive on the bases, and added that they play a similar style to what they've seen in the district this season. "Their pitching is about the same as what we are used to seeing," Curry said. "If the nerves don't get us we will be fine." ... The Lady Wildcats are hitting .409 as a team this season as sophomore Gabriela Gallegos leads the team with a .556 average.

Next: Winner vs. Pampa or Seminole, Class 3A area round, TBA

OLIVAS

From 1C

4, Olivas decided to take it off.

It was a move that surprised her coaches, and in some ways herself. But it also showed how confident Olivas had become pitching for the Lady Rebels this season.

Olivas has had an almost love-hate relationship with pitching during her high school career at Lee, but as the Lady Rebels (18-10) take on El Paso Franklin (17-7) in a Class 5A bi-district game at 7 p.m. today in Alpine, Olivas has become the ace of the staff and pitching as confident as ever.

"(The accident) is always in the back of my mind, but that's probably why I do better now," Olivas said. "If you don't put the ball down the middle, it won't come back up the middle. It keeps me more cautious."

Entering the program as a freshman, Olivas was considered a prospect to become a staff ace.

But Emily Hardaway, who was a year older, was the program's ace the last two years, while Olivas found her spot on the team playing in the outfield and was one of the team's top hitters. Plus, Olivas admits that her desire to pitch wasn't what it once was, and part of that was because of the injury.

This season, though, with Hardaway graduated and now at Hardin-Simmons University, the Rebels were looking for a pitcher. Lee coach Wes Overtun and pitching coach Mandy Hacker — a former Lee ace herself — used a handful of pitchers early in the season,

including Olivas.

But a few games into the district season, it became apparent that Olivas was going to get the call, and Olivas has answered it.

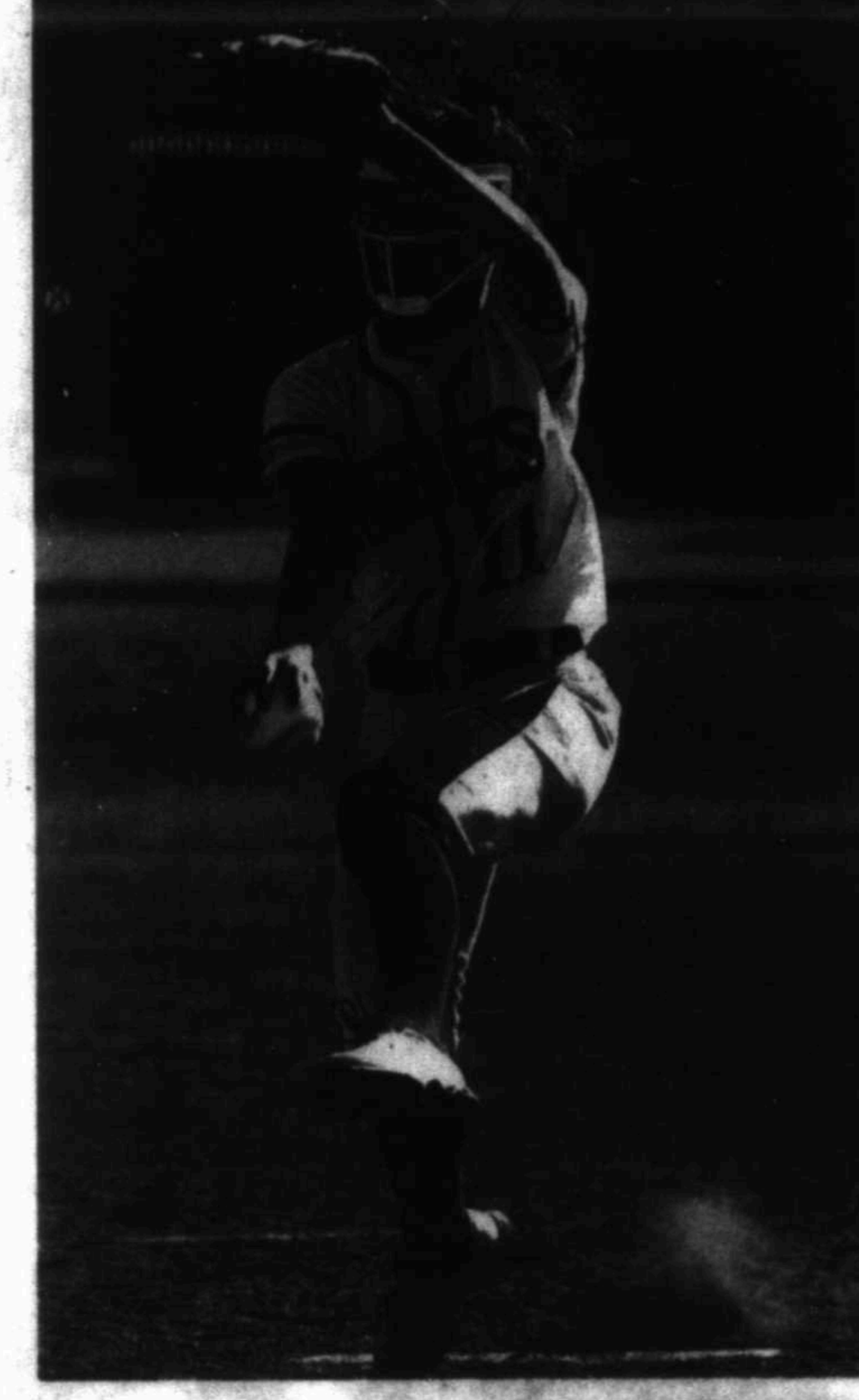
"We just talked to her about how to help the team, and that's where she's going to play," Hacker said. "She's gotten more consistent. Before she had the mindset of let me see how hard I can throw and beat them. Now, she's calmed that down a little bit, and works on hitting her spots more to keep teams off-balance as much as possible."

During the final month of the district season, Olivas was 4-2 and came up with some clutch performances along the way both in wins and losses, including an impressive outing in a 6-1 win against Odessa Permian to finish the regular season on April 17.

But it was how she performed the weekend of April 4 and 5 that might have defined her this season.

On April 4, Olivas pitched in a 6-5 loss to Odessa High, the same day she took off the mask. Olivas then turned around and pitched 12 innings the next day against Abilene High. One game was the completion of a suspended game in March, along the regularly scheduled game and Olivas pitched every inning, earning the win in both.

"I thought I was going to be way more tired than I was, but it wasn't as bad as I thought," Olivas said. "Somehow, I had a lot of energy that second day. I guess I was just fired up



MRT file photo
Lee pitcher Kyle Olivas winds up to pitch the ball during the a March 13 game against Odessa Permian at the Gene Smith Field.

and mad about the Friday loss."

Olivas said her confidence has never been better at pitching. During the early part of her career at Lee, Olivas said she wanted to try to strike out every batter. Now, she knows that placing the ball in the right spot can make a difference, and there is a growing confidence with the defense playing behind her.

And removing her

mask that night in Odessa was the final move for a pitcher who finally feels comfortable and confident in the circle.

"Just knowing this year, that I'm the ace and I have all the girls behind me and they are always supporting me," Olivas said. "I have way more confidence and it's helped a lot."

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BAEZA

From 1C

craft every day.

"I've just worked on tighter spins, just to keep them off-balance a little more," Baeza said. "I wasn't dominating, but I've increased my stamina and my pitches have gotten a lot better. They move more than they did my freshman and sophomore year."

Baeza is a key reason the Lady Bulldogs (20-7) finished second in District 2-5A this season and are returning to the playoffs. Midland High will take on El Paso Bel Air in a Class 5A bi-district round series, beginning at 5 p.m. today at Sul Ross State University in Alpine.

Vines said the biggest thing for Baeza is being able to use all her body when she pitches to get as much velocity as she can produce. Vines said Baeza has become stronger this year compared to last year, and it has paid dividends.

"She's not big, and we want her to use every-



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram
Midland High's Stefani Baeza pitches during a March 21 game against Amarillo Tascosa at Audrey Gill Sports Complex.

thing, and make sure that she's exploding off the mound and really pushing and getting her lower body involved in each and every pitch," Vines said.

And the Lady Bulldogs might not be in this position either without Baeza.

In key games this year, Baeza has come up big. Baeza pitched a pair of shutouts against rival Lee, and at one point this season won seven of the eight games she started.

"She's kept some very potent offenses off the bases, and the teams that we've been playing in district that are run-ruling other teams, she's kept us in the ballgame," Vines said. "We hope she hasn't reached her peak because our goal is to get better every time she's on the field. We want her to be better each time she takes the circle."

Baeza has certainly done that during her

career at Midland High. Baeza started seeing more time in the circle as a sophomore, and pitched nearly every game a season ago as the Lady Bulldogs earned a playoff berth.

And again this season, Baeza started every district game, compiling an 11-4 record and only had one no decision when she struggled with walks against Abilene High on March 28.

But Baeza came back the next day to shut out rival Lee 2-0 to complete the season sweep.

"I just know my defense is there, and I just want to go out there and have fun on the field," Baeza said. "My catcher (Courtney Warren) and I have been working well together these last three years. We are kind of like in a groove of what pitches to throw to what batters."

And they hope to continue that groove this weekend.

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HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL PAIRINGS

Game 1: 7:30 p.m. today; Game 2: 4 p.m. Saturday; Game 3: 7 p.m. Saturday
Flower Mound Marcus (TX) 11, Hurst L.D. Bel (7)

Game 1: 7:30 p.m. today; Game 2: 2 p.m. Saturday; Game 3: 7 p.m. Saturday
Lubbock Conrado (WZ, 29-2) vs. El Paso El Dorado (FI), Andrews HS
Game 1: 8:30 p.m. today; Game 2: 11 a.m. Saturday; Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2
Washburn (RQ) vs. Keller Timber Creek (T4, 18-9)

Game 1: Washburn 5, Keller Timber Creek 4; Game 2: 7 p.m. today, Timber Creek HS; Game 3: Noon Saturday, TBA

El Paso Montwood (W1, 24-6) vs. Odessa High (FZ, 19-7), Pecos HS
Game 1: 7 p.m. today; Game 2: 2 p.m. Saturday; Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2
Keller (R4, 21-7) vs. Fort Worth Paschal (T3) Game 1: Keller 18, Paschal 8; Game 2: 6:30 p.m. today, PW Paschal HS; Game 3: 1 p.m. Saturday, TBA

Colleyville Heritage (WV) vs. Lewisville Heritage (F5, 14-17)
Game 1: Heron 5, Colleyville Heritage 4; Game 2: 7:30 p.m. today, Colleyville Heritage HS; Game 3: 7:30 p.m. today, Little Dallas HS
Temple (T8) at Mesqued (R7, 25-4), 7 p.m. today
Flower Mound (WZ, 25-4) vs. Irving (F8) Game 1: Flower Mound 8, Irving 1; Game 2: 7:30 p.m. today, Irving HS; Game 3: 7:30 p.m. Saturday

Monday, Hurst L.D. Bell HS
Hewitt Midway (R8) vs. South Grand Prairie (T7)
Game 1: South Grand Prairie 4, Hewitt Midway 0; Game 2: TBA today, South Grand Prairie HS; Game 3: Noon Saturday, Hewitt Midway HS

CLASS 3A
If necessary
Bi-district
Snyder (W4) 13, Pecos 0
Dalhart (R1) vs. Shelover (T2), Rosene Field, Lubbock
Game 1: 6 p.m. today; Game 2: 2 p.m. Saturday; Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2
Fort Stockton (W3) vs. Monahans (F4), Greenwood HS
Game 1: 8:30 p.m. today; Game 2: 5:30 p.m. Saturday; Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2
Andrew (R2, 22-9) vs. Burger (T1), Lubbock Entacoed HS
Game 1: 8:30 p.m. today; Game 2: 3 p.m. Saturday; Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2
Liberty Hill (W6) vs. Alvarado (F7), Temple Colago
Game 1: Liberty Hill 7, Alvarado 3; Game 2: 6 p.m. today; Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2

Iowa Park (R5) 4, Springtown 1
Glen Rose (W7, 12-16) vs. Gatesville (T6) Game 1: 7 p.m. today, Glen Rose; Game 2: 1 p.m. Saturday; Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2
Mineral Wells (R6) vs. Graham (T3) Game 1: Mineral Wells 10, Graham 7; Game 2: 5 p.m. today; Game 3: 7 p.m. today
Lubbock Cooper (W2) vs. Penning (F1), Amarillo HS
Game 1: Lubbock Cooper 10, Penning 0; Game 2: 1 p.m. Saturday; Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2
Presidio (R3) vs. Abilene Wylie (T4), Crane HS
Game 1: 6 p.m. today; Game 2: 1 p.m. Saturday; Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2
Pampa (W1, 25-6) vs. Seminole (F2), Lubbock High
Game 1: 6 p.m. today; Game 2: 6 p.m. Saturday; Game 3: 30 minutes following Game 2
Greenwood (R4, 15-13) vs. Fabens (T3, 18-10), 5 p.m. today, Fort Stockton HS
Kerrville (W5, 21-6) vs. Nemon (F5), 6:30 p.m. Monday, Woodhouse HS
Stephenville (R7) vs. Lampasas (T8) Game 1: Lampasas 10, Stephenville 3; Game 2: 8:30 p.m. today, Stephenville HS; Game 3: Noon Saturday, Stephenville HS
Brownwood (R6, 19-9) 3, Hillsboro 1

REGIONAL TRACK GLANCE

BY LEN HAYWARD

A QUICK GLANCE AT MHS & LEE QUALIFIERS FOR THE REGION I-5A MEET

QUALIFIERS FROM AROUND THE AREA

Girls
MIDLAND HIGH
 Bennija Anderson, Fr.
 Event: High Jump
 District result: 3rd, 5 feet, 3 inches
 Area result: 3rd, 5-2
MHS coach Hil Ochoa on Anderson: "What we are trying to do right now is get her personal best, and her best this year is 5-3. She surprised me at district and comes out of nowhere with that 5-3. With freshmen it's always kind of iffy, sometimes they will do good and sometimes they will struggle. She might go out and jump a 5-5 or 5-6. She's that good of an athlete."

400 relay team
 Tammie Hickey, Shea Teria Robinson, Jimmiriya Goodley, Bria Lewis
 District result: 2nd, 49.58 seconds
 Area result: 4th, 50.43 seconds
MHS coach Hil Ochoa on the squad: "Right now expectations are to qualify for the finals. Out of 16 teams, they are sitting last with our time, and our best of the year has been a 48.12. If we can run 48 or close to that we will qualify. Arlington Bowie is the top team and they are at 46.33."

800 relay team
 Tammie Hickey, Keaton Fricker, Jimmiriya Goodley, Bria Lewis
 District result: 2nd, 1:43.64
 Area result: 1st, 1:44.48
MHS coach Hil Ochoa on the squad: "The top four (in this division) are 1:39 to 1:41, and our best time this year has been 1:42. They are learning how to run that 200 because a lot of those kids are just sprinters and 100 girls. We thought our four-by-one was going to be our strongest one, but that four-by-two just took off. That's another group that could surprise me."

LEE
 Ashley Rackow, Soph.
 Event: Long Jump
 District result: 2nd, 16 feet, 7 1/4 inches
 Area result: 1st, 16-3 3/4
Lee coach Mike Connelly on Rackow: "She's got to be able to go up there and compete and be able to handle the regional pressure and just relax. She has to do really good and will probably have to (personal record) to make the finals. That's the good thing"



MRT file photo

Lee's Ashley Rackow lands in the sand pit during her long jump attempt during the UIL District 2-5A Track Championship on April 10 at Lowrey Field in Lubbock.

about being a sophomore, she's got the opportunity to compete against some really good people. That's the very best thing about it for her."

Boys
MIDLAND HIGH
 De'Andre Goodley, Sr.
 Event: 100
 District result: 1st, 10.70 seconds
 Area results: 1st, 10.75
MHS coach Jeff Streun on Goodley: "Realistically, he's got the best shot of the four kids going as far as qualifying for the state meet. My expectations are for him to make the finals for sure and then see how that plays out. He's right there in the mix with some of the top times in the region, and he should have a good shot. He's running pretty smooth and has stayed injury-free."

Kaleb Slack, Sr.
 Event: Pole vault
 District result: 1st, 13-0
 Area result: 3rd, 13-6

MHS coach Streun on Slack: "Kaleb has had a good track season. He's cleared 14 (feet), but I think it's going to take more than that. And I think he can do more than that. He hasn't jumped his best yet, and there's not a better way to do it than at the regional meet. I feel optimistic about him, and he's got a chance to do some good things up there."

Austin Watson, Sr.
 Events: 800 meters, 1,600 meters
 District results: 800, 3rd, 1:58.02; 1,600, 2nd, 4:32.54
 Area results: 800, 2nd, 1:59.92; 1,600, 2nd, 4:31.60
MHS coach Streun on Watson: "I'm tickled to death that we've got two distance guys get out. Austin has done a great job all year, and he had a good year in cross-country. He's finished off track (season) good, and that's the way it ought to be for a senior to have some success."

Ruben Guerra, So.
 Event: 3,200 meters
 District results: 4th, 10:14.47
 Area results: 4th, 10:08.25
MHS coach Streun on Guerra: "He's a sophomore and hopefully will gain some experience. I just want them to compete up there, and those distance guys from the Metroplex are unbelievable."

LEE
 Ian Johnson, Sr.
 Event: Long jump
 District result: 1st, 21 feet, 10 1/4 inches
 Area result: 4th, 22-1
Lee coach Jeff Pair on Johnson: "He's had a great year in the triple jump and the long jump. He had his best jump last week in the long jump, and we expect him to keep improving as well. He works every day on it. He's tweaked a lot of little things."

Terry Sims, Jr.
 Event: 100 meters
 District result: 2nd, 11.08
 Area result: 3rd, 11.21
Lee coach Pair on Sims: "He's just gotten better, and now he gets a chance to compete on a bigger stage. The No. 1 goal is to get to the finals, and then you never know what can happen. He had a (hip) injury midway through the year, and it was a minor setback for him."

800 meter relay
 Juwan Lee, Darius Strambler, Zyan Burditt Gage Burkhart
 District result: 1st, 1:28.00
 Area result: 2nd, 1:29.57
Lee coach Pair on the squad: "They are looking to get faster to get in the hunt. We've worked this week and we expect to run better this week. We've progressively gotten better throughout the year, and that's what we want to see from those boys is just to get better."

1,600 meter relay
 James Lydia, Jonathan Mendez, Gage Burkhart, Zyan Burditt
 District result: 2nd, 3:22.47
 Area result: 4th, 3:25.97
Lee coach Jeff Pair on the squad: "They have just kept working and dropped that time all year. We've been competitive with both relays all year, and now we will get to see some different competition."

Class 3A
Girls
 Greenwood
 400 relay
 Morgan McKee, high jump
 Kaleigh Clay, high jump
 Becca Barron, pole vault
 Grace Sunderland, triple jump
 Amanda Bell, shot put, discus

Big Spring
 Martha Lewis, 100
 Faith Robinson, 800
 400 relay
 800 relay
 1,600 relay

Andrews
 Sarah Vies, triple jump, 100 hurdles, 200
 Elizabeth Bean, pole vault
 400 relay
 Kaven Torres, 800
 Hannah Haynes, 800
 Miranda Lopez, 100
 800 relay
 1,600 relay

Boys
 Greenwood
 Neil Reid, 400, 800
 Hunter Wigginton, pole vault
 Guillermo Marquez, discus

Big Spring
 Tobyn Tannehill, 200
 Ryan Lopez, 400, 800
 Ian Gonzalez, 400
 Charles Green, 110 hurdles
 Dawn Robinson, 300 hurdles
 1,600 relay
 Tate Kennedy, high jump

Andrews
 Andre Martinez, discus
 Kegan Thompson, triple jump
 400 relay

800 relay
 John Stark, 300 hurdles
 Braden Grimley, 200

Class 2A
Girls
 Stanton
 Robin Beasley, 100
 Latrice Smith, 400, 200
 LaNique Smith, 300 hurdles
 Pelyn Grabe, 1,600
 Colahoma
 Kael Yager, long jump, triple jump, 800
 Erin Lowery, 3,200

Boys
 Stanton
 Mason Myrick, discus, winner
 Florencio Nieves, 3,200
 Austin Bird, 110 hurdles, 300 hurdles
 Jonathan Tomlinson, 400, 200, 1,600 relay

Class A
Girls
 Grady
 Lupita Jimenez, 200, pole vault
 Emily Glaze, 400, high jump
 Destiny Lyon, 100 hurdles
 800 meter relay
 1,600 relay (Brittney Garza, Destiny Lyon)
 Faith Hurt, shot put
 Brittney Garza, discus

Boys
 Grady
 Azael Trep, 400
 Andrew Robles, 1,600, 3,200
 Kyle Garza, 3,200
 400 relay (Alejandro Jimenez, Beau Lucas, Joseph Briseno, Eddie Rodriguez)
 800 relay
 1,600 relay (Alejandro Jimenez, Joseph Briseno, Eddie Rodriguez, Beau Lucas, Cole Avery, high jump, Beau Lucas, long jump)



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Midland High's Zakymbria Lewis crosses the finish line during the 800-meter relay at the Area Track and Field Championship on April 17 at Lowrey Field in Lubbock.

RELAY

From 1C

"We have something to lose every time we race, but we have to just stay humble and work hard for the next meet," Hickey said. "I think each one of

us wants really bad to go to state, if we can make it there. But we just have to work hard to get there."

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HSBASEBALL CAPSULES

BY LEN HAYWARD

TODAY'S GAMES
DISTRICT 2-5A
ABILENE COOPER AT LEE
AMARILLO TASCOSA AT LEE
 When/where: vs. Cooper, 4:30 p.m. today; vs. Amarillo Tascosa, 1 p.m. Saturday; both games at Ernie Johnson Field
 Records: Lee 9-16, 3-11 in District 2-5A; Abilene Cooper 9-13, 5-9
Last district game: Lubbock Cooper 2, Lee 0; Midland High 12, Abilene Cooper 1
Last meeting: Lee 10, Abilene Cooper 5 on March 25
Notes: The Rebels will finish the season with a pair of home games this weekend, with a chance at a season sweep of an opponent in one game and be a playoff spoiler in the other. ... In today's game against Abilene Cooper, Lee will try to sweep the Cougars this season. Lee won its first district game against Cooper on March 25, as the Rebels' offense broke out in a 10-5 victory. ... Lee is coming off a tough loss to Lubbock Coronado on Saturday, where the Mustangs scored a pair of early runs and then held on. Rebel starter Evan Mata pitched all seven innings, and had six strikeouts. ... Mata and Blake Blessie are expected to be the starting pitchers this weekend, but it's not known what order they will pitch. ... On Saturday, Lee will take on a Tascosa team that is tied

District 4-3A Standings

Team	District			Overall
	W	L	Overall	
xy-Midland High	13	2	19	8
x-San Angelo Central	11	3	18	7
x-Abilene High	10	4	14	9
Amarillo Tascosa	8	6	17	8
Lubbock Coronado	8	6	14	10
Abilene Cooper	5	9	9	13
Lee	3	11	9	16
Odessa Permian	3	11	4	21
Odessa High	3	12	9	17

x-clinched playoff berth
y-clinched share of district title

Saturday, April 19
 Amarillo Tascosa 2, MHS 1, 8 innings
 Lubbock Coronado 2, Lee 0
 Abilene High 3, Odessa Permian 1
 San Angelo Central 14, Odessa High 4, 6 innings

Today's Games
 Abilene Cooper at Lee, 4:30 p.m.
 MHS at Abilene High, 4:30 p.m.
 Amarillo Tascosa at Odessa Permian, 4:30 p.m.
 San Angelo Central at Lubbock Coronado, 9 p.m.

Saturday's Games
 Odessa Permian at San Angelo Central, Noon
 Lubbock Coronado at Odessa High, Noon
 Amarillo Tascosa at Lee, 1 p.m.
 Abilene High at Abilene Cooper, 1 p.m.

for fourth place in the district and is still looking to punch its playoff ticket. Tascosa will play Permian today and may need a win in both games to clinch a playoff berth. ... Tascosa helped its playoff cause with a victory against first-place Midland High last Saturday.
Next: Amarillo Tascosa at Lee, 1 p.m. Saturday; Abilene High at Abilene Cooper, 1 p.m. Saturday

MIDLAND HIGH AT ABILENE HIGH
 When/where: 4:30 p.m. today, Blackburn Field, Abilene
 Records: Midland High 19-8, 13-2 in District 2-5A; Abilene High 14-9, 10-4
Last district game: Amarillo Tascosa 2, Midland High 1, 8 innings; Abilene High 3, Odessa Permian 1
Last meeting: Midland High 10, Abilene High 4 on March 25
Notes: The Bulldogs have a tough road test today against a team that has clinched a playoff berth but can also earn a share of the second spot with a pair of wins today. ... Midland High has already clinched a share of the district title, but a win today and a San Angelo Central loss would give it the title outright. ... The Bulldogs scored an early run against Amarillo Tascosa last week, but couldn't come up with another one in its second district loss of the season. Jackson Lancaster, who will likely pitch today's game, gave up six hits in 7 1/3 innings pitched. It was also Lancaster's first district loss of the season. ... Abilene High earned its playoff berth with the win against Permian. ... Mark Pearson pitched a complete game for the Eagles and was also 2-for-4 at the plate.
Next: Midland High vs. TBA, Class 5A playoffs; Abilene High at Abilene Cooper, 1 p.m. Saturday

MCBASEBALL CAPSULE

BY OSCAR LEROY

BASEBALL
LUNA CC AT MIDLAND COLLEGE
 When/where: Doubleheaders beginning 3 p.m. today and noon Saturday, Christensen Stadium
Last WJAC series: Midland College 3, Clarendon College 1; Howard College 2, Luna CC 2
Records: Midland College 25-22, 11-17 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Luna Community College 16-27, 12-16
Notes & quotes: Midland College won its third straight WJAC series last weekend to get back in the postseason picture. After 3-1 series win at Clarendon College, the Chaparrals are now two games back of El Paso Community College and Western Texas College for the fourth and final regional tournament spot out of the WJAC for next month's Region V Tournament in Lubbock. Outside of the top three spots in the league standings, there is a logjam as seven teams are within three games of each other with eight games remaining in the

WJAC baseball

Team	WJAC			Overall
	W	L	Overall	
x-New Mexico JC	22	6	28	19
Frank Phillips	20	8	28	17
Howard College	16	12	33	14
El Paso CC	13	15	28	26
Western Texas	13	15	19	26
Odessa College	12	16	22	23
Luna CC	12	19	16	27
Midland College	11	17	23	23
Clarendon College	11	17	20	32
MHSU	10	18	16	32

Last weekend's WJAC series results
 Midland College 3, Odessa College 1;
 Howard College 2, El Paso CC 2; New Mexico Junior College 4, New Mexico Military Institute 0;
 Luna CC 2, Western Texas College 2; Clarendon College 2, Frank Phillips College 2

This weekend's WJAC series
 Midland College at Clarendon College; Howard College at Luna CC; Frank Phillips College at Odessa College; Western Texas College at New Mexico Military Institute; New Mexico Junior College at El Paso Community College

regular season. ... MC coach David Coleman said he likes the way his team is competing right now. "They're much more into trying to win the game," he said. "The cloud, or whatever it was that was hanging over us early in the season, appears to have lifted. The selfishness that was there appears to be gone and they're playing for each other. It's

a lot more fun at the ballpark as the guys are concerned about doing the right things. ... Luna is coming off a series split against Howard at home and Coleman said the Rough Riders are a scrappy team. "I know they've got a couple of good pitchers that have carried the workload for them and they've got a couple of hitters in the middle of their order that we've got to handle. I also know they're extremely aggressive and won't go away. They won't quit on you, that's for sure." ... The Chaps are expected to start sophomore RHP Brandon Courville (2-6, 3.20 ERA) and sophomore RHP Michael Brosig (4-2, 5.35) in today's doubleheader. Because freshman RHP Aaron Rumblefield is dealing with some arm issues, Coleman said Saturday's Game 3 starter will be determined after Friday's games, while sophomore RHP Jayden O'Dell (3-2, 2.82) is slated to start the final game of the series.
Next: New Mexico Junior College at Midland College, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday

HSBASEBALL/SOFTBALL ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

SOFTBALL
MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 9 LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN 4
LUBBOCK — The Midland Christian softball team had 19 hits and a four-run first inning to pave the way for a 9-4 victory over Lubbock Christian High School in a practice game on Thursday.
Courney Monk led the Lady Mustang offense by going 4-for-4 with a double, home run and three RBI. Lauren Grizzard was 3-for-4 with two RBI, Adriana Berzosa was 3-for-4 with two RBI, and Bayle Weaver was 3-for-4 with a double and an RBI for MCS (30-13).
Caitly Beeson got the win in

the circle. The Lady Mustangs are still waiting to find out who's going to be their opponent in the bi-district round of the TAPPS 1-4A playoffs and might not know until Monday.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 9, LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN 4
 MCS — 9-4
 LCS — 4-9
 Cally Beeson and Chelsea Cross, Kendra Townsend and Mikayla Brown, W — Beeson, L — Townsend, 2B — MCS; Bianca Ambrosio, Courtney Monk, Bayle Weaver, HR — MCS; Monk. Record: MCS 30-13. Next: MCS vs. TBA

BASEBALL
MCA 7
AM. SAN JACINTO 1
AMARILLO — The Midland Classical baseball team rolled

to a 7-1 victory over Amarillo San Jacinto on Thursday. Mikiah Avampato allowed one run on one hit and also had a double, two RBI and two runs scored for the Knights (7-10-1, 3-3 in TAPPS 1-3A).
 The next game for the Knights will be determined if San Jacinto wins its game on Saturday. If it does, MCA and San Jacinto will be in a district play-in game at a date and location to be determined.

MCA 7, AMARILLO SAN JACINTO 1
 MCA — 7-1
 San Jacinto — 1-7
 Mikiah Avampato and Josh Raes, Darnell, Burtonson (3) and Hess, W — Avampato, L — Darnell, 2B — Avampato. Record: MCA 7-10-1, 3-3 in TAPPS 1-3A. Next: TBA

SOFTBALL

MIDLAND COLLEGE AT LUNA CC
 When/where: Doubleheaders beginning at 1 p.m. today and 11 a.m. Saturday, Luna Community College softball field, Las Vegas, N.M.
Records: Midland College 25-22, 12-12 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Luna CC 16-24, 12-12
Last WJAC series: Howard College 4, Midland College 0; Luna CC 4, El Paso CC 0
Notes & quotes: Midland College looks to bounce back after being swept in a four-game series by rival Howard College last weekend. Three of the four games were decided by one run, and MC coach Tommy Ramos said he saw some encouraging things from his team last weekend. "I like the fact that we're definitely cut down on our errors," Ramos said. "We need to continue to build on our confidence and improve on our execution, especially at the plate where we missed some opportuni-

WJAC Softball

Team	WJAC			Overall
	W	L	Overall	
x-Odessa College	23	1	43	9
x-Howard College	21	3	40	10
x-Midland College	12	12	28	22
x-Luna CC	12	12	16	34
x-Frank Phillips	10	11	15	32
Clarendon College	9	15	23	33
El Paso CC	5	19	8	23
Western Texas	4	20	9	23

x-qualified for Region V West Tournament

Last weekend's WJAC series results
 Howard College 4, Midland College 0;
 Odessa College 4, Western Texas College 0;
 Luna CC 4, El Paso CC 0; Clarendon College 3, Frank Phillips College 1

This weekend's series
 Midland College at Luna CC; Odessa College at El Paso CC; Clarendon College at Howard College (Friday); Frank Phillips at Western Texas College (Friday); Frank Phillips at Howard College (Saturday); Clarendon College at Western Texas College (Saturday)

standings. That means that whoever wins this series, will have the No. 3 seed heading into next week's NJCAA Region V West Tournament at Lubbock Christian University. "They're a scrappy team," said Ramos of Luna. "They play well at home and have won some games against some people, who have underestimated them. We need to be aggressive early and put some pressure on them." ... The Lady Chaparrals will be without starting sophomore C Amy Anderson, who injured her knee in a home plate collision in the third game of the Howard series. Ramos said Anderson will be re-evaluated next week to determine her availability at the regional tournament. With Anderson out, Ramos said he will go with both Tynesha Houkamu and Kyla Larson at catcher.
Next: Midland College vs. TBA at NJCAA Region V West Tournament, May 2, Lubbock

MCA's Sivalls wins TAPPS 3A state tennis championship

From staff reports

WACO — Midland Classical Academy junior tennis player Max Sivalls won the TAPPS 3A boys

singles state championship on Thursday at the Waco Regional Tennis Center. Sivalls beat Beaumont Legacy's Peter Williams, 6-0, 6-0 in the semifinals,

and then defeated Flower Mound Coram Deo's Aaron Mackie 6-1, 6-3 in the final. The victory was Sivalls' second straight in TAPPS 3A.

The girls doubles team of Anna Cliver and Beth Ann Holmes lost a three-hour semifinal to Sugarland Logos' Kaelyn Hall and Hope Nash, 7-6, 5-7,

6-7. Cliver and Holmes were the first girls tennis players from Midland Classical to qualify for the semifinals at the state tournament.



Sivalls

WNB GOLF CLASSIC SCORES AND TEE TIMES

Web.com WNB Golf Classic Scores
Thursday
At Midland Country Club Course
Midland
Purse: \$800,000
Yardage: 7,200; Par: 72 (36-36)
First Round

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MLB STANDINGS, BOX AND LINESCORES

Table containing MLB standings for various teams and box scores for recent games.

MLB ROUNDUP

career-high 11 and pitched a four-hitter for his first complete.
ORIOLES 11 BLUE JAYS 4
TORONTO — Chris Davis had two hits and three RBI for Baltimore.
YANKEES 14 RED SOX 5
BOSTON — Yangervis Solarte drove in four runs and Mark Teixeira hit his first homer of the season for the New York Yankees.
National League
REDS 2 PIRATES 1
PITTSBURGH — Ryan Ludwick lined a two-run double after two Cincinnati batters were hit by pitches, lifting Tony Conigliani and the Reds.

METS 4 CARDINALS 1
NEW YORK — Chris Young homered to start New York's comeback, and slumping Curtis Granderson singled in a run as a pinch hitter.
DIAMONDBACKS 5 CUBS 2
CHICAGO — Mike Boisinger earned his first major league win for Arizona.
PADRES 4 NATIONALS 3, 12 INNINGS
WASHINGTON — Former Nationals outfielder Xavier Nady's tiebreaking RBI single off Craig Stammen in the top of the 12th inning gave the San Diego Padres a victory over Washington on Thursday night.

BANANAGRAMS!

Change one letter in the top word to one of the letters that appears in the bottom word, then rearrange the tiles to form a new common word. Do the same with each new word until you arrive at the bottom word. For example, one path from BARK to PLUM is BARK, MARK, RAMP, RUMP, PLUM.
EVERY RHYME
LEVEL
THING SOUND
Yesterday's Answer: MISSTEP, PREHEAT, DISGUST, TOURISM
4.25

TODAY: Sunny High: 91 Low: 68	SATURDAY: Mostly sunny High: 93 Low: 60	SUNDAY: Mostly sunny High: 84 Low: 58	MONDAY: Sunny High: 84 Low: 54	TUESDAY: Sunny High: 77 Low: 48	WEDNESDAY: Sunny High: 70 Low: 48
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Local forecast

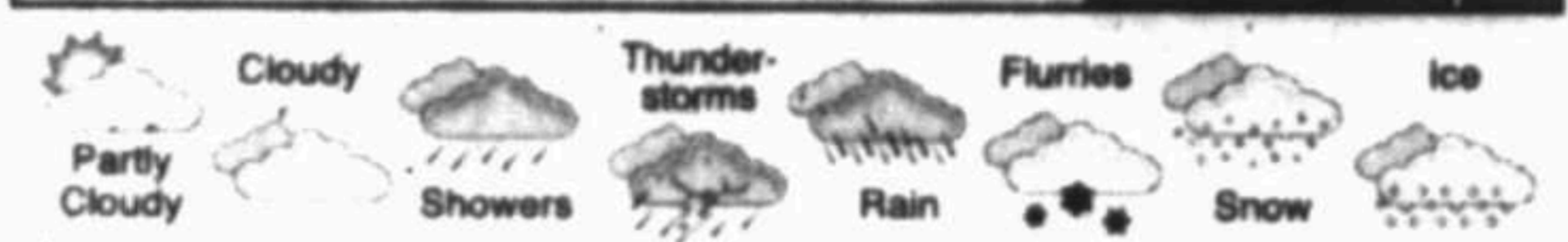
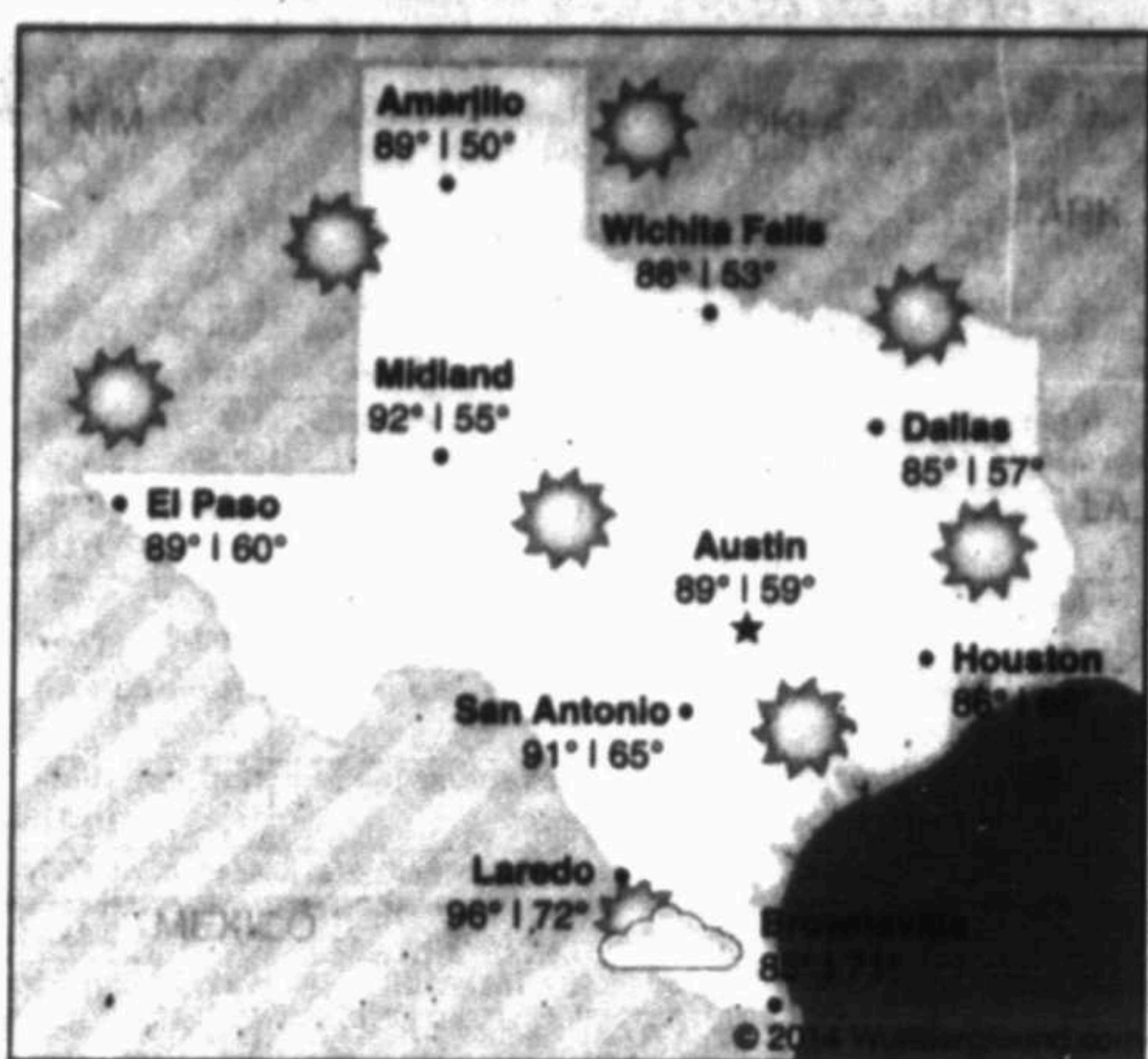
Expect sunny skies today with a high around 91 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph, increasing to between 15 and 20 mph in the afternoon. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 68 and south winds between 15 and 20 mph.

Saturday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 93 and southwest winds between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts reaching 25 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 60 and southwest winds between 15 and 20 mph, with gusts reaching 30 mph.

The high on Friday reached 82, while the low dropped to 58. The record high for April 24 is 95 set in 2012. The record low is 33 set in 2013.

National forecast

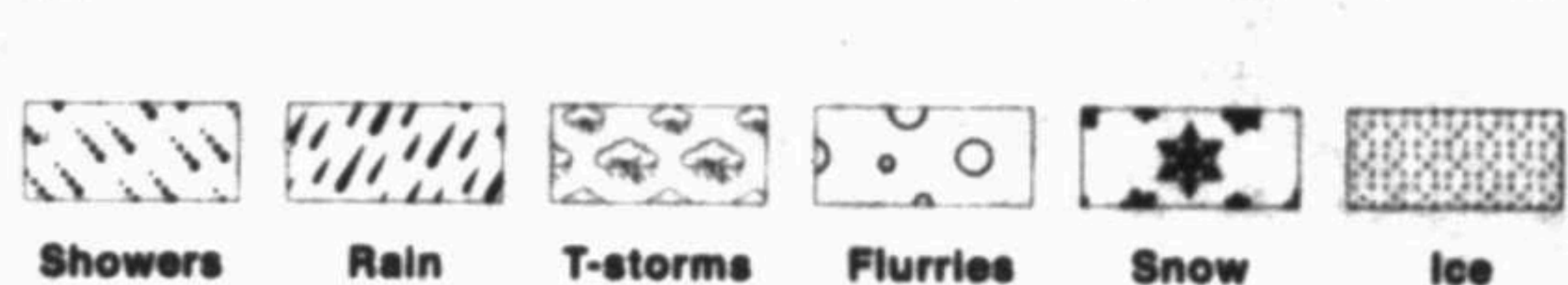
A dry day with some sunshine is in the offing for New England today. A zone of high pressure off the Carolina coast over the Atlantic Ocean will extend north into Atlantic Canada. The high will not have enough influence to keep the weather dry over much of the Mid-Atlantic and South.



Precipitation	Thursday's temperatures
Wednesday 0.00 in.	High 82
Thursday 0.00 in.	Low 58
Month total 0.45 in.	Normal high 82
Year total 0.90 in.	Normal low 52
Normal total (year to date) 2.38 in.	Sunrise 7:09 a.m.
	Sunset 8:25 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, April 25



Childhood abuse victim finds love in arms of another woman

DEAR ABBY: I am a woman in a loving relationship with another woman. My family has been harsh in their remarks to me, saying they would rather I was dead than doing this, or that I should move away if this is the way I am going to live.

I have been married twice. Neither marriage worked out. During my childhood, I was molested by a family member. Since then, I have been scared of men and don't want to be around them. I have had crushes on women in the past, but didn't tell my family because I'm a 30-year-old adult and I felt it was none of their business.

I keep asking myself if my attraction to my lover was a choice, but I don't remember "choosing" this. All I remember is falling for her and not wanting to look back. Should I end this relationship and live alone forever? I never want to be with another man as long as I live. — **ACHING IN AMARILLO**

DEAR ACHING: Because your family is so unaccepting of your sexual orientation, it would be interesting to know how they view your molester. Did you tell anyone what happened, and did you receive counseling about it? If the answer is you didn't, then PLEASE consider getting some now to help you deal with any residual issues because you appear to have a few — like your fear of and aversion to all men.

What your family said was cruel and uncalled-for. It's

DEAR ABBY

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apparent they know nothing about homosexuality. There is a chapter of PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) about two hours away from your community, located in Lubbock. You can find it online at pflaglubbock.org. It can provide information to help you build bridges of understanding with your family.

Assuming the feelings you have for this woman are reciprocated, the two of you might be happier moving to a community that is more welcoming. Texas is a big, diverse state and Dallas, Houston or Austin might be a better fit for you.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 13-year-old girl who has been told many times that I'm very mature for my age. Unfortunately, I'm TOO mature. What I want most in the world is sex appeal. I long for the perfect sex-crazed boyfriend. What can I do about this craving? — **BEYOND MY YEARS IN KENTUCKY**

DEAR BEYOND: The first thing you should do about this "craving" is learn all you can about birth control and self-control, because the "perfect

sex-crazed boyfriend" could get you — and himself — into a world of trouble. At 13, you should be focused on sports and getting into and out of high school with a diploma.

Whoever told you you are mature for your age must have meant physically, because when a girl's No. 1 desire in the world is sex appeal and a sex-crazed boyfriend, it is not a sign of EMOTIONAL maturity.

DEAR ABBY: Last year I made a beautiful welcome wreath for my friend to hang on her front door. After all this time, it's still sitting in a box in her basement. If she doesn't like it, I would like to ask for it back so I can use and enjoy it. Abby, can I do this? What could I say? — **LORRIE IN FLORIDA**

DEAR LORRIE: It has always been my belief that once a gift has been given, it's inappropriate to ask for it back. However, if you feel comfortable enough with your friend to do so, tell her exactly what you told me: That since she has never used the wreath, you would like to have it for your own front door.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

North-South vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH	EAST
♠ 9 3 2	♠ 5
♥ J 6	♥ A Q 8 5 3
♦ Q 8 2	♦ J 5 4 3
♣ J 8 6 5 4	♣ 10 9 2
WEST	SOUTH
♠ Q 10 8 7 6	♠ A K J 4
♥ K 10	♥ 9 7 4 2
♦ 10 9 6	♦ A K 7
♣ Q 7 3	♣ A K

The bidding: WEST NORTH EAST
2♠ Pass 2♦ Pass
2NT Pass 3NT Pass
3♣ Pass
*Negative, 0-6 points

Opening lead: Seven of ♠

South's sequence showed a balanced 22-23 points. North carried on bravely to game, hoping his meager collection of "quacks" (queens and jacks) would be enough to provide nine tricks.

Declarer started with seven tricks and had to find two more. He was off to a good start when he put up the nine of spades in dummy, winning the first

trick. He continued with a spade to his ace, getting the bad news in that suit. The club suit was not usable, barring a lucky doubleton queen — declarer lacked the dummy entries to establish the suit and get back to enjoy it.

South needed a minor miracle — honor-10 doubleton of hearts in the West hand — so he played for it! He led a heart toward the dummy, West rising with his king to play the 10 of diamonds. South won in hand and played a second heart. Dummy's jack lost to East's queen, but it dropped West's 10 in the process.

East, who could not play hearts safely, led a second diamond, South again winning in hand. He cashed the ace and king of clubs, hoping to drop the queen. No luck there but South had the situation well in hand.

He crossed to dummy with the queen of diamonds and exited with a low club, discarding a heart. West won his queen, but was endangered. He was forced to lead a spade into declarer's king-jack, yielding the contract. Had East played the club queen, South would have discarded a spade and his nine of hearts would have become his ninth trick. Well played!

DAILY CROSSWORD

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23 It may be packed	11 Play about Capote		
24 Grand squared	12 Hard-rock link		
27 General of Chinese cuisine	13 Crystallize		
28 "Bueller?" Bueller? actor Stein	19 How a chorus may sing		
29 "Die Lorelei" poet	21 Vow on a stand		
31 Shaver brand	24 Site of Los Angeles' Museum Row		
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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, April 25, 2014:

This year you'll want to focus more on your friendships, on greater community involvement and on achieving a goal that is very important to you. You'll socialize to your heart's content, and it is through this process that you are likely to meet Mr. or Ms. Right. You could have difficulty settling in, but you will. If you are attached, the two of you increase your sense of security together and become even closer. You also opt to take the next step together. What that is will depend on the phase of life you are in. PISCES expresses his or her caring in a very gentle way.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ You'll wake up feeling as if you can't be stopped. You will feel centered and ready to initiate a new beginning. If you can, hold off; more news or key information is likely to head your way. A discussion finally could become much easier. Tonight: Vanish with a friend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Zero in on what you want. You could discover that others are there for you, rooting you on. Your words and ideas will be expressed so clearly that there will be no room for confusion. Others will relate far more easily as a result. Tonight: Play out a dream.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ A gathering might be intended for business matters, but it might transform into something else. You will meet new people and be able to open doors that previously had been closed. Others admire your communication and leadership style. Tonight: Could be late.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ Reach out to someone you have not spoken with in a while, who presents a wonderfully different perspective. Laughter will surround you, which will remind you of the weekend. Make sure to confirm plans before you walk out the door. Tonight: Only what you want to do!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Deal with someone directly, and understand that he or she might not be sharing everything. You can't change this person. Someone close to you has your respect. Know that your caring means a lot. Tonight: TGIF! Invite a dear friend or loved out to join you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Defer to someone you care about. If you really want to make this person feel more included in a project,

let him or her take the lead. Communication could seem serious and heavy. As a result, you might decide to put off an important talk. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ You might want to pace yourself and not push so hard. You need to cover a lot of ground, and you could feel as if there is not enough time. Consider asking someone to delegate some of your responsibilities. Tonight: What starts out as light and fun could evolve into an important talk.

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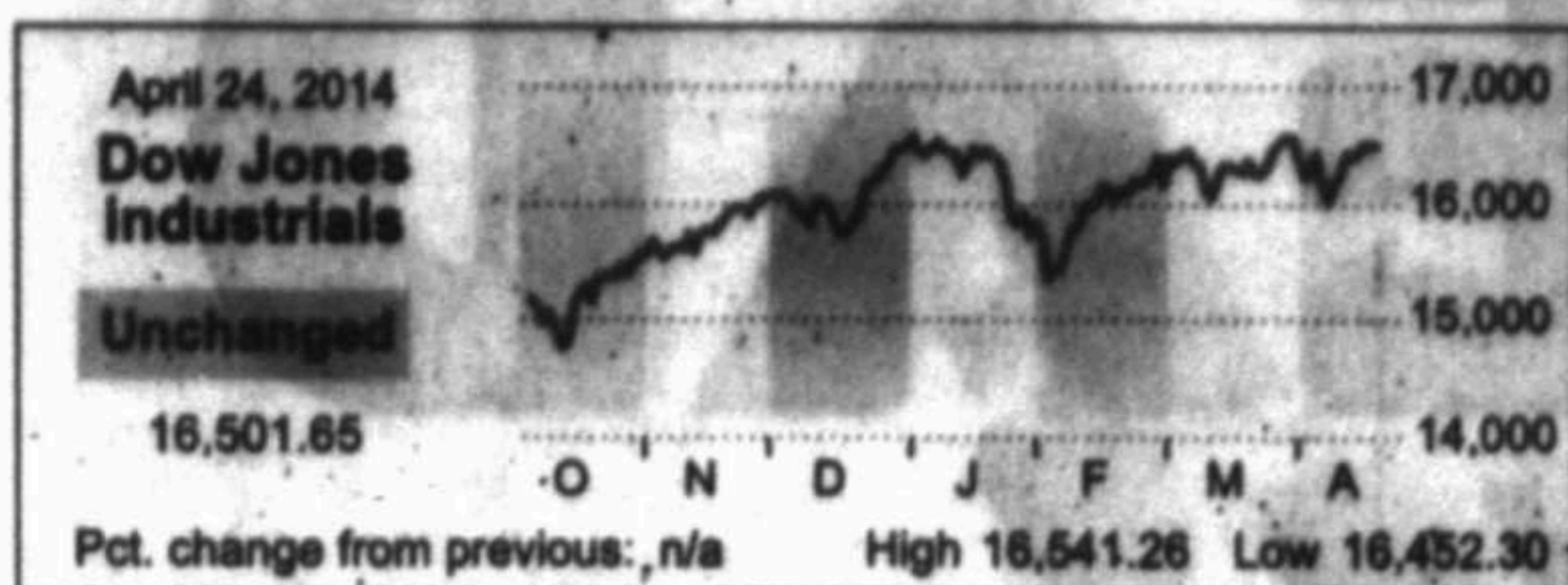
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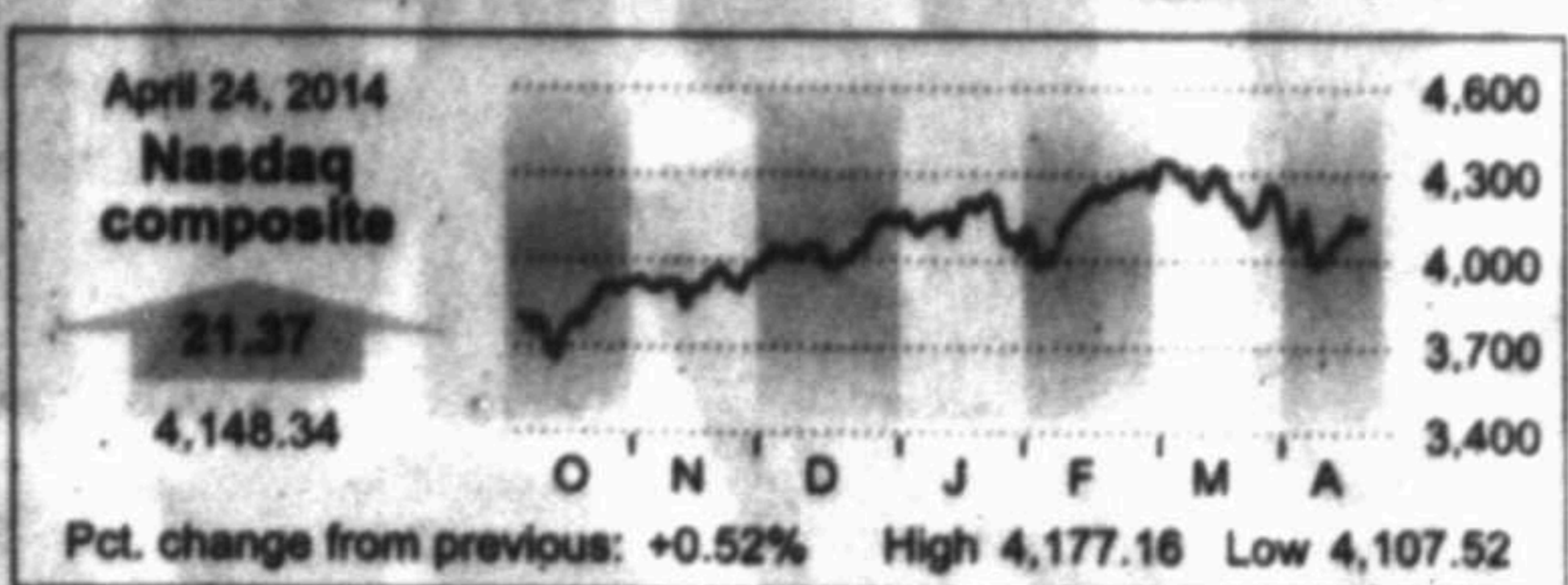
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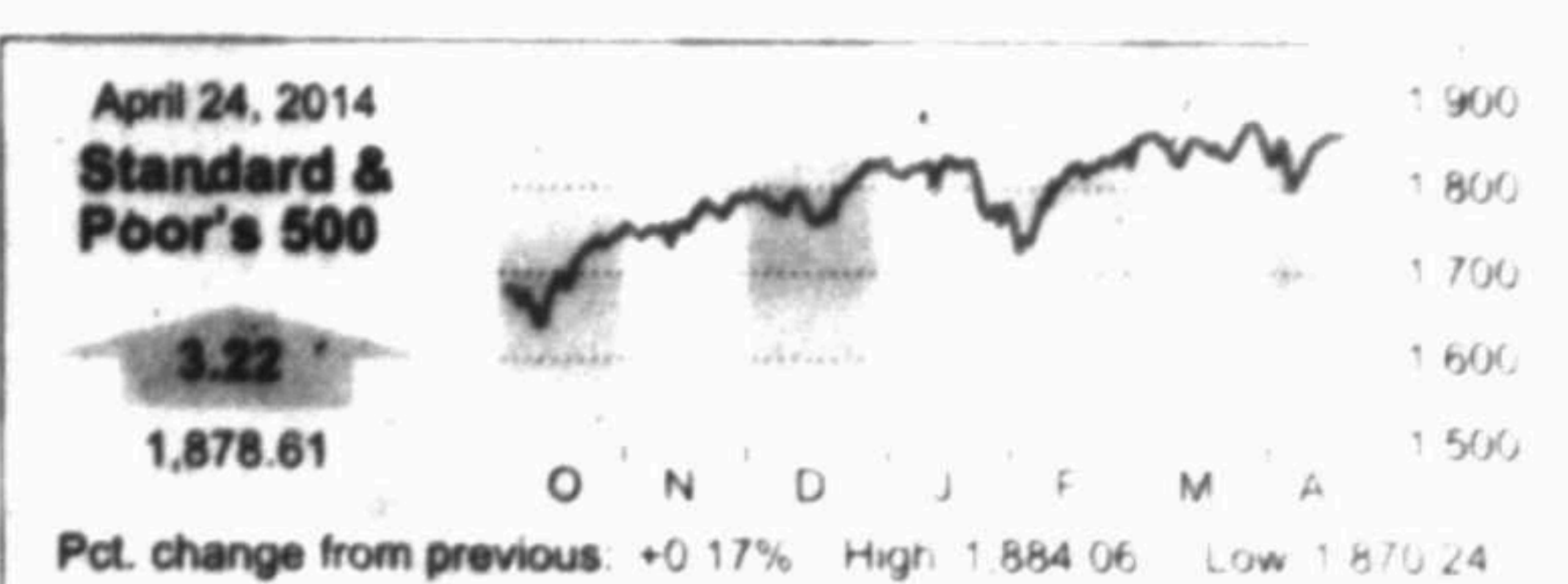
A DAY ON WALL STREET



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GM profit sinks; CEO sees no recall hit to sales

Associated Press

DETROIT — The cost of recalling nearly 7 million cars and trucks sank General Motors' first-quarter profit, but the company's CEO said the much-publicized recalls have yet to cut into sales.

GM on Thursday reported its worst financial results in more than four years, with profit falling 86 percent to \$125 million. The biggest contributor was a \$1.3 billion charge to cover a series of recalls announced since early February, most notably 2.6 million small cars with defective ignition switches.

The Detroit automaker is facing government investigations and lawsuits over the small-car recall. On a conference call, CEO Mary Barra called the company's handling of the recall unacceptable but said that, so far, bad publicity has not had a "meaningful impact" on sales. She also said GM is offering employee discounts to owners of cars with the faulty ignition switches.

After opening with a 2 percent gain, GM shares were down 37 cents, or 1 percent, to \$34.02 in afternoon trading.

Christian Mayes, an industrial analyst with Edward Jones, said the stock decline could be due to investor concerns about GM U.S. market share.

GM's first-quarter share fell 0.6 points to 17.4 percent compared with a year ago. In a 16 million vehicle market, the drop equals nearly 10,000 vehicles. Mayes said GM has \$27 billion in cash and can handle the recall costs, "but I think the market share is a big deal. There's very strong competition out there from all the other automakers."

GM made 6 cents per share in the first quarter, down from 58 cents a year ago. The recall charge alone cut 48 cents off its earnings. But excluding one-time items, GM made 29 cents per share, far above Wall Street estimates of 3 cents per share. Revenue rose more than 1 percent.

Still, it was a rough start to what many expected would be a strong year for the

Detroit automaker.

The U.S. government sold its remaining stake in GM at the end of last year, freeing the company of the "Government Motors" nickname. In January, GM announced its first quarterly dividend in six years. And it has rolled out multiple new models in recent months including high-profit pickup trucks and full-size SUVs.

But the recalls have overshadowed Barra's first months as CEO. GM has linked the ignition switch problem to 13 deaths and has acknowledged knowing about it for at least a decade. Barra was grilled earlier this month by two congressional panels seeking an explanation on why GM dragged its feet. She said answers would come from an internal investigation.

GM also announced other recalls that pushed the total to near 7 million cars and trucks.

Barra said the company has formed a leadership team to focus on recall issues. But, as before, she made no excuses for GM's behavior. "It doesn't matter that the roots of the issue are more than a decade old," she said.

She told analysts that dealers are taking advantage of increased showroom traffic due to the recalls. But spokesman Jim Cain said GM has asked dealers to use employee pricing not as a marketing tool, but to help owners of cars with bad ignition switches to trade for a new car. Employees generally pay 4 percent below dealer invoice.

Without the recalls, GM would have had a strong quarter. Revenue grew 1.3 percent from a year ago to \$37.4 billion, in line with analysts' estimates.

"Clearly the headline results are overshadowed by the recall charges," Chief Financial Officer Chuck Stevens said.

GM's global sales for the quarter rose 2.3 percent to 2.42 million vehicles. China sales grew 13 percent, and sales in Europe rose less than 1 percent. But sales fell 2 percent in North America, GM's most profitable region, and dropped 10 percent in South America.

Oil nears \$102

The price of oil rose to near \$102 a barrel Thursday on worries about tensions in Ukraine.

Benchmark U.S. crude for June delivery rose 50 cents to close at \$101.94 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Brent crude, an international benchmark for oil, gained \$1.22 to \$110.33 a barrel on the ICE Futures exchange in London. Ukraine is going through its biggest political crisis since the fall of the Soviet Union, sparked by months of anti-government protests and President Viktor Yanukovich's flight to Russia.

Gains for U.S. crude oil were limited because of bulging oil supplies.

The U.S. Energy Department's Energy Information Administration said Wednesday that oil supplies rose 3.5 million barrels in the week that ended April 18. That exceeded the expectations of analysts surveyed by Platts, who forecast an increase of 3.1 million barrels. At a record 397.7 million barrels, supplies are now 2.3 percent above year-earlier levels.

Palladium prices rise

Platinum and palladium prices are rising as a dispute between Russia and Ukraine along with a strike in South Africa push prices up.

Palladium for June delivery gained \$16.30, or 2 percent, to settle at \$802.30 an ounce. Platinum for July rose \$5.70 to \$1,409.60 an ounce. Russia and South Africa produce roughly 80 percent of the world's palladium.

Gold gained for a second day running, up an even \$6 to \$1,290.60 an ounce. Silver rose 25 cents to \$19.69 an ounce. Copper climbed 6 cents to \$3.12 a pound.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price \$140.03 Up 9.49

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price \$133.60 Up 0.88

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price \$28.26 Unchanged

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price \$75.42 Up 1.53

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price \$25.84 Down 0.46

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price \$7.45 Down 0.05

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price \$31.85 Up 0.03

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price \$18.75 Down 0.24

OIL PRICES

FUTURES

Thursday: \$101.94
Previous: \$101.44

POSTED

Thursday: \$98.50
Previous: \$98.00

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Thursday: \$89.50
Previous: \$89.30

NATURAL GAS

Thursday: \$4.705
Previous: \$4.730

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 on stock)				GAINERS (\$2 on stock)			
Name	Vol (00)	Last	%Chg	Name	Last	%Chg	%Chg
SAP500ETF	818361187.83	+	0.38	Zimmer	101.97	+10.52	+11.5
BioAm	691949	16.34	-0.03	TecumAgs	40.85	+3.43	+9.2
iSH2K	418355	113.61	-0.29	Modine	17.12	+1.38	+8.8
VerizonCom	406679	46.28	-1.15	Mi Homes	23.55	+1.89	+8.7
iSHEMts	380823	41.38	+0.04	Edenor	10.49	+0.82	+8.5

LOSERS (\$2 on stock)				DIARY			
Name	Last	%Chg	%Chg	Advanced	Declined	Unchanged	Total Issues
SequansC	2.02	-45	-18.2	Advanced	1,579		
MyersInd	2.07	-3.17	-13.2	Declined	1,497		
Taskos	7.30	-1.05	-12.6	Unchanged	137		
Castlight n	14.02	-1.88	-10.7	Total Issues	3,213		
Fusion-io	8.64	-1.04	-10.7	New Highs	135		
				New Lows	15		
				Volume	3,121,952,704		

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 on stock)				GAINERS (\$2 on stock)			
Name	Vol (00)	Last	%Chg	Name	Last	%Chg	%Chg
AlloNeuG	55137	3.66	-1.8	SynergyRs	12.42	+8.8	+7.6
NovoPhm	28184	2.60	-0.1	GyrnBio	3.09	+1.8	+6.2
ParaGMS	27914	1.05	-0.06	OwensRM	16.01	+7.6	+5.0
ResahnP	26034	1.05	+0.1	NanoViric	2.00	+2.5	+4.9
SynergyRs	23459	12.42	+8.8	AmDGen	2.34	+1.0	+4.5

LOSERS (\$2 on stock)				DIARY			
Name	Last	%Chg	%Chg	Advanced	Declined	Unchanged	Total Issues
ActiumP	12.00	-1.15	-8.7	Advanced	205		
ZenoCentry	2.16	-2.0	-8.5	Declined	188		
TrioToh	3.12	-1.9	-5.7	Unchanged	35		
TherapMD	4.53	-2.4	-5.0	Total Issues	428		
UOM Tech	2.36	-1.2	-4.8	New Highs	8		
				New Lows	1		
				Volume	93,197,098		

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 on stock)				GAINERS (\$2 on stock)			
Name	Vol (00)	Last	%Chg	Name	Last	%Chg	%Chg
Facebook	1310755	60.87	-4.9	CascaTher	2.06	+4.6	+28.8
SiriusXM	89645	3.20	+0.3	MicroStr	126.75	+19.55	+18.2
Zynga	680087	4.35	-0.7	NvidiaW	4.24	+6.5	+18.1
PwShs	900458307	87.59	+8.3	SyngnP	2.00	+2.5	+14.3
MicronT	389804	26.16	-0.9	ElzArden	36.00	+4.17	+13.1

LOSERS (\$2 on stock)				DIARY			
Name	Last	%Chg	%Chg	Advanced	Declined	Unchanged	Total Issues
ParametS	9.32	-3.66	-28.3	Advanced	1,079		
Clearfield	15.49	-5.29	-25.5	Declined	1,486		
StcLtd	47.90	-9.88	-17.1	Unchanged	156		
EagRkEn	4.03	-0.82	-16.9	Total Issues	2,721		
BncpBnk	15.84	-2.77	-14.9	New Highs	59		
				New Lows	26		
				Volume	2,059,974,774		

Stocks close mostly higher on earnings

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The stock market closed mostly higher Thursday, helped by positive earnings out of several large U.S. companies including Apple and construction equipment maker Caterpillar.

The markets gains were modest, however, as investors turned their eyes back to Russia and Ukraine, where geopolitical tensions were heating up once again. Some earnings reports, such as 3M and Facebook, also failed to impress investors.

It was the seventh time in the past eight days that the S&P 500 has closed higher.

Despite the recent upward momentum, traders remain nervous.

"Everyone is a little apprehensive as we move higher, waiting for the next shoe to drop that's going to make the market head lower," said Jonathan Corpina, a floor trader at the New York Stock Exchange with Meridian Equity Partners. "The market isn't in a healthy mentality at the moment."

The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 3.22 points, or 0.2 percent, to 1,878.61 and the Nasdaq composite rose 21.37 points, or 0.5 percent, to 4,148.34.

The Dow Jones industrial average closed at 16,501.65, unchanged on the day.

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg	Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg	Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg	Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg						
AT&T Inc	1.84	10	34.50	-4.2	-1.9	Comcast	901	19	51.37	+1.6	-1.1	iShChinaLC	1.02e		34.98	+0.5	-8.8	PlainsAAP	2.52f	19	56.57	-4.7	+8.3	Supvalu		10	7.04	-5.0	-3.4
Abxams		59	5.34	+1.1	+63.8	ConAgra	1.00	16	31.06	-1.0	-7.8	iSHEMts	.86e		41.38	+0.4	-1.0	PlugPow h			6.01	-4.0	+287.7	TawSem	50e		20.56	+1.5	+17.9
AdamsEx	.84e		13.10	+0.8	+2	ConchoRes	56	133.60	+8.8	+23.7	iSEale	1.70e		67.73	-0.1	-1.9	PwShs	9001.30e		87.59	+8.3	-4	TelefEsp	.47e		16.57	+0.6	+1.4	
AMD		86	4.28	+0.3	+10.6	ConocoPhill	2.76	12	74.49	+4.7	+8.4	iSHR2K	1.45e		113.61	-0.29	-1.5	Praxair	2.60	22	130.65	-1.06	-5	Tesoro	1.00	17	54.21	-4.3	-7.3
Alcoa	.12	44	13.58	-0.05	+27.8	CrackerB	3.00	19	96.53	+8.2	-12.3	IntegrtyE	2.72	16	60.53	+1.1	+11.2	PrmEgy		14	55.39		+9.7	Terxinst	1.20	26	48.47	+2.01	+10.4
AlonUSA	24a	57	16.48	-2.7	-4	CrocTim	2.84e	14	31.32	-2.8	+6.5	InterDg	.40	38	34.66	+1.2	+17.5	ProctGam	2.57f	22	81.15	+7.9	-3	3M Co	3.42f	20	136.65	-1.34	-2.6
AmAid n			37.26	+1.7	+47.6	DCP Mid	2.93f	39	51.96	+1.2	+3.2	JauUnibH	.51r		16.44	+4.6	+21.2	Qualcom	1.68f	20	77.87	-2.84	+4.9	3M Co	3.42f	20	136.65	-1.34	-2.6
AmApparel			.73	+0.7	+40.7	DR Horton	15	15	23.13	+1.78	+3.6	JPMorgCh	1.80f	14	56.19	+1.4	-3.3	RF MicD			8.54	+5.9	+65.5	TYContl	.85e		20.22	+0.2	+1.2
Amgen	2.44	18	113.72	+4.1	+3	DTE	2.62	20	77.15	+2.6	+12.2	JohnJn	1.80f	14	56.19	+1.4	-3.3	RangeRs	.16		93.56	+5.3	+11.0	TylerTech		64	77.17	-1.26	-24.4
Anadarko	.72	64	100.19	+1.21	+26.3	Detamr h			2.85	+0.5	+9.6	JetBlue	.16		8.37	-2.2	-2.0	Rowan	15	31.47	+4.6	+11.0	UndArm s		65	50.42	-4.02	-15.5	
Apache	1.00f	16	87.98	+3.9	+2.4	DeltaAir	24	3	36.73	-3.6	+33.7	JohnJn	2.80f	19	99.98	-2.6	+8.1	RoyDSHA	3.60	10	75.76	+2.9	+6.3	UBWV	1.28	18	30.30	-2.0	-3.7
Apple Inc	13.16f	14	567.77	+43.02	+1.2	DeltaAir	24	3	36.73	-3.6	+33.7	KindM	3.26f	20	109.09	+3.2	+4.4	SpdDJA	3.57e		184.69	+0.5	-5	ValContl		29	41.53	-4.53	+9.8
AptdMat	.40	80	19.37	+1.2	+8.6	DevonE	.96f		71.91	+6.0	+16.2	KindM	5.52f	42	73.83	-2.4	-2.4	S&P500ETF	3.46e		187.83	+3.8	+1.7	ValCo	84e		13.86	+2.7	-9.1
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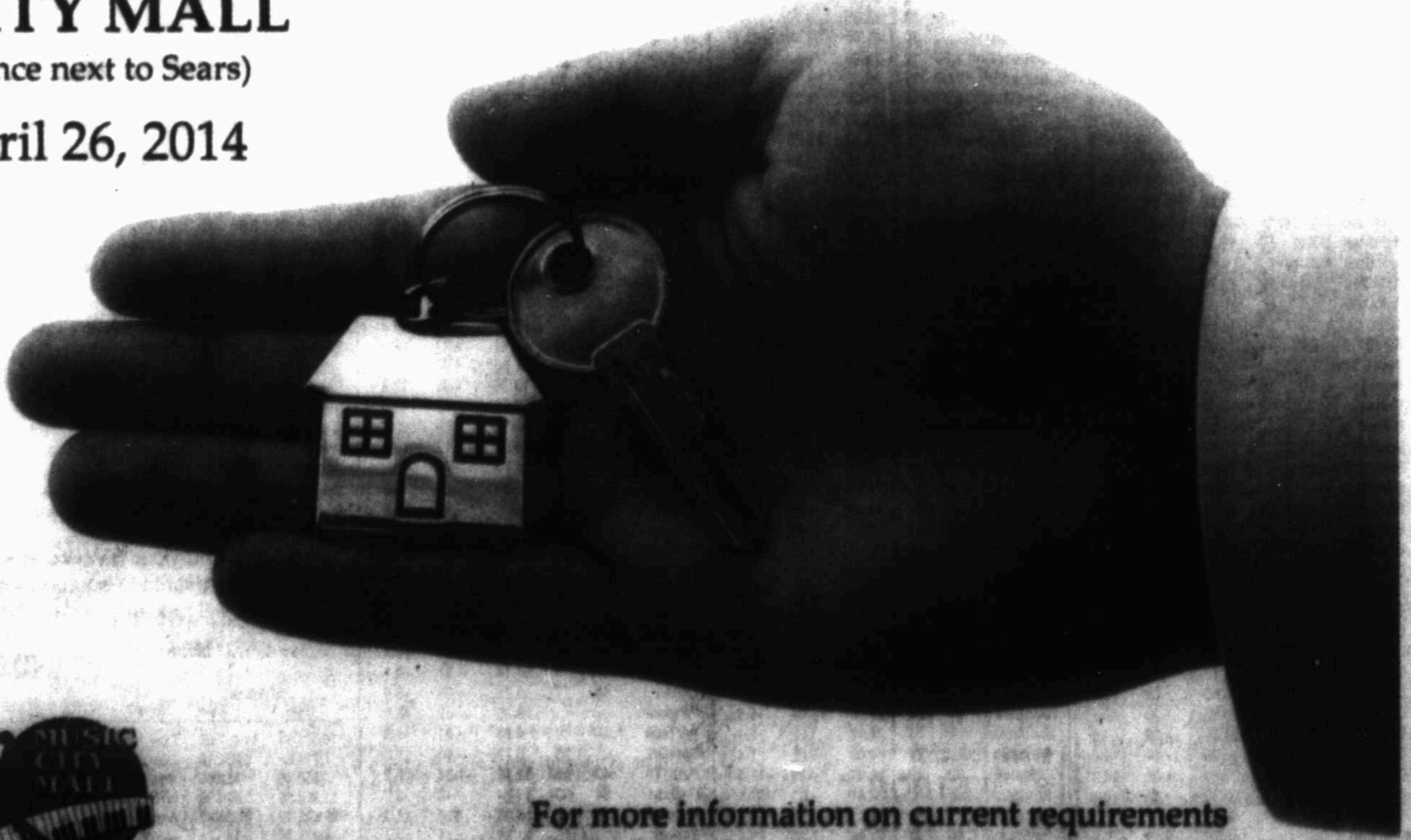
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City of Midland
Amy M. Turner
City Secretary

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UNITED SUPERMARKETS, LLC DBA ALBERTSONS #671 IS MAKING APPLICATION TO THE T.A.B.C. FOR A WINE AND BEER RETAILER'S OFF PREMISE PERMIT LOCATED AT 3317 N MIDLAND DR, MIDLAND, MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS. OFFICERS ARE: SPIRIT ACQUISITION HOLDINGS, LLC-GR/MBR, ROBERT TAYLOR-CEO, SIDNEY HOPPER-COO, JOHN W JACKSON-CMMO, SUZANN KIRBY-CFO, CHRISTOPHER T ST CLAIR-EVP, IT/LOG, ANTHONY W CRUMPTON-EVP, FACILITY, PHILIP W PIRKLE-EVP, TALENT, BRADLEY R BECKSTROM-VP, LEGAL, ROBERT C BUTLER-VP, OPS, SUSAN A MCMILLAN-GRP VP, LEGAL

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Legal & Public Notices

BID #7875-14

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS

Project Name: Water, Wastewater and Fire Hydrant Taps Program

The City of Midland, Texas is soliciting bids for the furnishing of materials and labor for the Water, Wastewater and Fire Hydrant Taps Program together with other miscellaneous and appurtenant work.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held in the basement conference room of City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas at 3:00 p.m. CST on April 30, 2014. Bids will be accepted only from those bidders who attend the meeting.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to condition of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract.

The contract may be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value to the municipality as referred to in Section 252.043(b) of the Texas Local Government Code.

Information for bidders, proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file for viewing in the office of the Purchasing Manager, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas. The contract documents may be purchased at the office of the Purchasing Manager, second floor, 300 North Loraine Street, Midland, Texas for a non-refundable purchase price of \$50.00 per set.

Bids will be received at the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Midland, Texas, until 11:00 AM CST on the 7th day of May, 2014. Bids will be opened and read aloud at that time.

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AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A SITE PLAN FOR LOT 12, BLOCK 28, WYDEWOOD ESTATES, SECTION 21, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF SUNBURST DRIVE, APPROXIMATELY 450 FEET SOUTH OF WEST WADLEY AVENUE); SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

City of Midland
Amy M. Turner
City Secretary

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ORDINANCE NO. 9287
AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION BY AMENDING CHAPTER ONE, TITLE XI, OF THE CITY CODE OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, BY PERMITTING A 7.212-ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF SECTION 13, BLOCK 40, T-1-S, T&P RR CO. SURVEY, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED FD, FUTURE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, TO BE USED AS AN MF-1, MULTIPLE-FAMILY DWELLING DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF HOLIDAY HILL ROAD AT THE WEST EXTENSION OF GREEN TREE BOULEVARD); CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$2,000.00); AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

City of Midland
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BID #7874-14

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS

Project Name: Utility Extension Program

The City of Midland, Texas is soliciting bids for the furnishing of materials and labor for the Utility Extension Program together with other miscellaneous and appurtenant work.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held in the basement conference room of City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas at 4:00 p.m. CST on April 30, 2014. Bids will be accepted only from those bidders who attend the meeting.

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AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND ABANDONING A 1.04-ACRE PORTION OF HOLIDAY HILL ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY ADJACENT TO THE RESERVE TRACT IN GREEN HILL TERRACE, OUT OF SECTION 7, BLOCK "X", H.P. HILLIARD SURVEY, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF HOLIDAY HILL ROAD, APPROXIMATELY 300 FEET NORTH OF MOCKINGBIRD LANE); ADOPTING THE APPRAISAL BY THE CITY MANAGER OF \$10,400.00; RETAINING A GENERAL PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT; AND ORDERING RECORDATION BY THE CITY SECRETARY

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2011 CHEVROLET AVALANCHE LTZ
8 Cylinder engine 5.3L/325 white dark cashmere/light cashmere, automatic. 29,113 miles. auto climate controls, auto mirror dimmer, auto-leveling suspension, automatic stability control, back up camera, dual zone climate control, fog/driving lamps, heated seats, heated side mirrors, keyless entry, leather seats

2006 HUMMER H2 LUXURY
Vortec 6000 v6 all engine, white, automatic, 78,900 miles, auto mirror dimmer, chrome wheels, driver information system, dual zone climate control, dvd system.

2011 LINCOLN NAVIGATOR 6.4L SOHC
24-VALVE V8 FFV, silver, automatic, 42,233 miles, auto climate control, auto mirror dimmer, automatic stability control, back up camera, child restraint seat.

2009 JEEP WRANGLER SAHARA
3.8L OHV 12-VALVE SMPI V6, silver, automatic, 15,223 miles, auto steering airbag, automatic stability control, dual front air bags, fog/driving lamps, keyless entry.

2010 CHRYSLER 300C
3.7L multi-displacement v8 Hemi Engine, black, automatic, 28,811 miles, auto mirror dimmer, automatic stability control, child safety locks, chrome wheels, curtain air bags, driver information system, dual power seats.

2012 TOYOTA SEQUOIA
5.7L DOHC EFI 24-VALVE iForce V8 engine white VVT-i, green, automatic, 54,158 miles, auto climate control, auto mirror dimmer, automatic stability control, bluetooth wireless, child restraint seat, curtain air bags.

2014 FORD F250 4X4 SUPER DUTY
6.7L 4 valve power stroke diesel v8 engine, white, automatic, 17,724 miles, automatic stability control, curtain air bags, dual front air bags, keyless entry, security system, telescopic steering wheel, 92 wheel, traction control.

2012 GMC YUKON DENALI
Vortec 6.2L, variable valve timing v8 all engine, crystal red (tricolor), automatic, 50,489 miles, auto climate control, auto mirror dimmer, auto-leveling suspension, automatic head leveling, automatic stability control.

2013 CADILLAC SRX PREMIUM
Engine, 3.6L sst DOHC v6 vvt with 485 hp-torque, automatic, 13,000 miles, auto mirror dimmer, automatic stability control, back up camera, blind spot sensor/chrome wheels, driver information system, fog, heated rear seats.

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ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

PRODUCTION LIFT COMPANIES

Business Manager

Production Lift Companies is seeking a Business Manager for its Midland office. The position is responsible for AR/AP-Quickbooks, HR-Employee offers, orientation, files, Insurance-Medical, Workers Comp., Auto, Gen Liability, Payroll, Invoicing, Govt Reporting, DOT Reports, Management Reporting. This position demands an energetic individual who is conscientious, accurate, reliable with good work ethic, self-motivated and able to work well in a team environment. Equal opportunity employer, competitive salary and benefits package.

Email resume and salary requirements to:
mswihart@productionlift.com

OTHER JOBS



Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person
Pay \$10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmadrox@hearstnp.com
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LIEN SPECIALIST

Hospital Consulting Company seeks F-T Lien Specialist to assist client hospital in receiving reimbursement for MVA patient accounts. Strong Customer Service Insurance background a plus. Must be dependable, able to multi-task and working independently with minimal supervision. Job located in Odessa. For complete description and to apply, visit www.resource-corp.com and click on Careers.

STAFF ACCOUNTANT

Endeavor Energy Resources, LP is looking for a Staff Accountant or Full Charge Bookkeeper. Must have an Accounting degree or at least 5 years of experience. Pay DOE. Excellent benefits including 401(k), dental, vision, paid holidays and free medical for employee. Apply online today at www.endeavorenergy.com

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or email to: sclary@hearstnp.com



CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

Clerical Position

Diamond D Slickline Service Co. Inc. Established slickline company in Midland is looking for a person for a clerical position with experience in Microsoft Office & Quickbooks. Please send resumes to our main office: P.O. Box 216, Snyder, TX, 79550.

DOCUMENT PREPPER!

LOOKING FOR AN ENTRY LEVEL OFFICE POSITION? Kelly Services has the perfect job! Immediate openings. Join our team as a Document Prepper! Do you have attention to detail? Can you work as a team? Want to earn bonuses? Are you flexible with your work hours and able to work e/o Saturday? Do you have excellent attendance? Want a Weekly paycheck? High School Diploma/GED required. No prior industry experience. \$12.00/ hour. If this is YOU... call us today. 432-363-0123

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Will train. Starting wages \$10-\$11/ hour.
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Teachers

First Presbyterian Child Development Center seeks part time Teachers for the 2014-2015 school year starting in September. Call 432-683-0851.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Entry Level Field Service Hands

Production Lift Systems FT
Local oilfield service company seeking Entry Level Field Service Hands. Full benefits. Must have a valid driver's license and passing test. Apply at 14 East Industrial Loop Midland, TX 79701 or call 432-599-1200.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Alm Directional Services is taking applications for the following positions:
Directional Managers, Directional Coordinators, MWD Coordinators, Directional Drillers, MWD Engineers, Directional Sales, and Motor Shop Personnel. Must have at least 2-years experience. Only experienced Personnel in these positions should apply. Send resumes to resumes@almldr.com with Name, Phone, and email address.

HSE Coordinator and IT Field Specialist

HSE Coordinator directs and implements the Company safety program to ensure a safe, healthy and accident-free work environment. Understands and implements OSHA, DOT and EPA regulations, investigate all accidents and incidents and work with employees on improving unsafe work practices. Conduct on site training, new hire orientation, coordinate and schedule all safety meetings and safety committees.
IT Field Specialist is responsible for projects, incidents, and requests assigned to the Field IT Support Specialist Team. Cases and projects are managed and documented using the Kaseya System. The IT specialist will monitor these cases for accurate and timely status updates, customer follow-up, and resolution according to Service Level Agreements. The IT specialist lead will provide technical support for in house end users and field office personnel to ensure continuity with computer services throughout the company. Please view job description and requirements online at www.selectenergyservices.com. Apply today!

Oilfield Supply Store Branch Manager Position

HSC, a growing oilfield supply and service company with more than 20 locations nationwide, is looking for an energetic, professional leader to manage our Odessa, Texas Supply Store. The focus of this position is to improve the performance of this facility and to ensure customer satisfaction. Achieving these objectives requires managing the following areas: branch operations, business development and sales, human resources, inventory, purchasing, customer care, logistics, and administration.

Experience:
• Minimum 5 years customer focused retail/distribution operations experience and 3 years in a management capacity
• Knowledge of oil and gas industry workover and drilling rigs a definite plus
• Computer aptitude and proficiency in Microsoft Office; with Activant P-21 experience a plus.
• Ability to multi-task in a fast paced environment.

Great opportunity with a competitive compensation and benefits package awaits the right candidate! Please email resume to rmears@howard-supply.com or fax to (432) 362-3118. See our web site at www.howard-supply.com for more information about our great company.

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Horizontal Well Drillers a safety based oil & gas drilling contractor, is looking to hire experienced Tool Pushers in Midland/Odessa area with at least 2 yrs min exp to manage our super single rigs. Successful candidates will be working a min 2 week schedule and be accountable for all aspects of their rig. Tool Pushers will receive the following benefits: up to 120k, per diem, plus longevity bonus, company phone, credit card, company truck or allowance and paid vacation. Please apply on line @ hwdrillers.com. Horizontal Well Drillers 408-827-1232, 2916 State Hwy 74 South Purrell, OK.

HEALTHCARE

Admission Clerk

Martin County Hospital District now hiring 1 Admission Clerk FT night shift. Apply at 600 E. I-20, Stanton, Texas 79782, fax 432-607-3265 or send resume to pdority@martinch.org

Certified Dental Assistant

Thomas Campagna, DMD FT
We are looking for an exceptional, experienced, Certified Dental Assistant, one full time position, to join our team, at Midland's premier dental practice. Bilingual preferred. Please email: info@emilemidland.com, fax: (432) 520-0720 or bring resume to: 3722 N. Loop 250, Midland, TX.

Available Positions

Desert Gardens Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
2222 Inge Street
Midland, TX 79708
Desert Gardens located in Midland, Texas is currently seeking qualified Nursing staff to fill the following Positions:
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• CNA 16-6 position on a rotating schedule.
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Business Office Director

Must have five years of Hospital and Clinical Billing experience; experience billing for Rural Health Clinic preferred; 2+ years. Leadership and management preferred; Bilingual abilities preferred. Bachelor's Degree is required.

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Human Resources
1700 Cogdell Blvd.
Snyder, TX 79549
Fax (325) 574-7136
Phone: (325) 574-7182

Full Time and Part Time Positions Available

Somno Systems is looking for medical assistants, sonographer with experience, marketing reps and sales reps. Please send resume to info@somnosystems.com

Receptionist

Receptionist needed for busy Pediatric Office. Some experience preferred but will train. Please fax resumes to 682-2284 or mail to Premier Physicians, Attn: Arita Routh, PO Box 5291, Midland, Texas 79704. No phone calls please
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Medical Assistant

Medical Assistant needed for busy physicians practice. Great Benefit Package. Please fax resumes to 682-2284 or mail to Premier Physicians, Attn: Arita Routh, PO Box 5291, Midland, Texas 79704. No phone calls please
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Private Duty Caregivers & CNA's

St. Joseph's Home Health Inc. FT
St. Joseph's Home Health Inc is currently hiring English and Spanish speaking Private Duty Caregivers & CNA's in Midland, TX. Please contact Melissa 432-684-5858

Registered Dental Hygienist

Thomas Campagna, DMD FT
We are looking for an exceptional, experienced, Registered Dental Hygienist, full/part time to join our team, at Midland's premier dental practice. Please email: info@emilemidland.com, fax: (432) 520-0720 or bring resume to: 3722 N. Loop 250 North, Midland, TX.

RN's/ LVN's

Martin County Hospital District now hiring Full time RN for ER night shift, Full time RN/LVN Med/Surg night shift. Send resume to pdority@martinch.org

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

All Positions

Now hiring for all positions. Please apply in person at Midland Springhill Suites, 5716 Desaville Blvd, Midland, TX 79706

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Looking for energetic person for the position of Assistant General Manager for a very busy hotel. Apply in person at 5716 Desaville Blvd, Midland, TX

INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE

Golf Course Maintenance

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OTHER JOBS

All Positions

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Midland, TX 79701
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Apartment Managers & Maintenance Technician

QSN Realty: Needs Full Time experienced apartment managers & maintenance technician. Fax resume 432-520-9434, apply in person only at 5010 W. Loop 250 N. or email: barely7007@hotmail.com

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Mother's Day is just around the corner.
Hiring for Seasonal Help!
Drivers paid per delivery using your own vehicle, must have proof of insurance
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Smoke free environment. Fax resume to 432-682-8949, apply in person, or email resume to janecapp@flowerlandmidland.com, no phone calls.

Research Participants

Earn \$150! Research Participants needed for a focus group on 8/1 from 7am-1:30pm in Odessa. Call 877-621-1094 or go to www.nationalresearchstaffing.com and fill out the questionnaire

OTHER JOBS

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person.
Pay \$10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.



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Experienced Floral Designer Needed. Must have 3 to 5 year experience. We offer 401K, insurance, & paid vacation. Will need to be able to work holidays & weekends. Fax resume to 432-682-8949, apply in person, or email resume to janecapp@flowerlandmidland.com. No phone calls please.

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1pm-5pm, M-F. Must be dependable. Apply in person at COM Aquatics, 3003 North A Street, Midland, TX. NO PHONE CALLS.

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Now Hiring Janitors and Maids
Great parttime jobs to supplement your income. Work Mon-Fri 5:30pm-8:30pm, apply at 1307 N Big Spring.

Safety Coordinator
A growing private-equity backed pipeline services company seeks a safety coordinator to support its West Texas operations, headquartered in Midland. The position will report to the company's safety director. Responsibilities will include supporting crews in the field, providing OQ training to field personnel and maintaining the company's certifications with third-party safety consortiums including ISNetwork and NCCER. The skillset desired includes a minimum of two years of oilfield safety experience, a proactive, positive attitude and a commitment to ethical business practices. The position will provide a competitive salary, matching 401(k) plan, company-funded health insurance, and opportunities for advancement. Please apply at Tucker Midstream, Inc. 921 N. Fairgrounds Rd, Midland, TX 79706. Or submit resume to rprovanca@tuckermidstream.com

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After school and summer hours, part time. Pay \$8.50-\$10.50 per hour. Get paid to play with kids! Call Michael at 683-0050, or come see us after 1pm at the Boys & Girls Club, 1321 Goode, Midland, TX.

SWEEPER
Looking for someone to sweep parking lots at night, Wed - Sun. \$600 weekly. Apply in person at 4801 SCR 1200.

Cleaning Help
Cleaning Service FT
Now taking applications for cleaning service. M-F Please call 432-520-3707.

Foster Care Administrator
Foster Care Administrator: Full time position with benefits for a respected Child Placing Agency, High Sky Children's Ranch. Requires strong leadership skills, ability to develop a team, monitor a high volume documentation requirements, light travel and on call. Position requires a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree. Preference given to applicants with Master's in Social Work or related field. 2 years supervisory experience preferably in the Social Work field including a GRO or CPA setting. If you would like a full job description or to send a resume, contact Shawna Bowerman at shawnab@highsky.org. Position closes 4/26/14. No phone calls please.

CWI
PRODUCTION ANALYST

A publicly-traded oil and gas company in Midland, Texas, is seeking a production analyst with 3 - 5 years experience in the following areas: production reporting including various RRC and NMOCD regulatory forms and maintaining well database. Excel and Access proficiency a must. This position demands an energetic individual who is conscientious, organized and reliable. Also must work well in a team environment. We are an equal opportunity employer and offer competitive salary with an excellent benefits package. Non-smoking environment.

Please email resume to: hr@claytonwilliams.com, or send to Attn: Personnel, Clayton Williams Energy, Inc., 6 Deata Drive, Suite 6500 Midland, Texas 79705 No agencies or phone calls please.

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Email us at dominos@ctseerwts.net with your name and phone number and we will call you to answer any question you may have before you decide to apply! We will make the hiring process as easy as possible for you! As always, come on down to any of our Midland/Odessa locations and apply at any time! Or apply at www.Indeed.com

EOE (posting soon: company delivery vehicles for you to drive! Apply today!)

Project Analyst
A growing private-equity backed pipeline service company seeks a project analyst to support its West Texas operations, headquartered in Midland. The position will support the company's bidding efforts and provide project support, including tracking production and cost and communicating with customers and subcontractors. Candidates should be comfortable splitting their time between the field and the office and working closely with the company's staff of field superintendents and administrative personnel. The skillset desired includes a minimum of two years of project management experience, preferably in the oilfield, a strong analytical background and experience with Microsoft Excel and bidding software. Candidates must possess a commitment to safety and ethical business practices. The position will provide a competitive salary, matching 401(k) plan, company-funded health insurance, and opportunities for advancement. Please apply at Tucker Midstream, Inc. 921 N. Fairgrounds Rd, Midland, TX 79706. Or submit resume to rprovanca@tuckermidstream.com

Pool Staff
Odessa Country Club FT/PT
1 Fairway Dr. Odessa, TX 79765
The Odessa Country Club has immediate openings for Summer Pool Staff. Pool manager, snack bar, cook, life guards. Competitive pay. Pre-employment drug test required. Apply in person to: The Odessa Country Club, Tuesday- Friday 8am-4pm.

Store Manager
Store Manager \$65,000-\$70,000 annually Job duties include: Staffing, scheduling, inventory, purchasing, daily and weekly paperwork, operating and maintaining a clean, fun work environment. Must be able to work morning, day and night and work between 55-90 hrs per week. Please submit resume to Littlecessars.wtx@gmail.com

Cashier
Health Food Store is taking applications for energetic and friendly (full-time & part-time) cashiers. Shifts will include evenings, and some Saturdays. Apply in person Monday through Friday only 9am to 5pm at Natural Foods Market, 2311 W. Wadley, Midland.

CASHIERS AND SALES ASSOCIATES
Westlake ACE Hardware, one of the largest retailers of home hardware in the U.S., has immediate openings for PART TIME and FULL TIME CASHIERS AND SALES ASSOCIATES for our Midland TX store. We offer starting hourly rate of \$11, incentive pay, a liberal employee discount and other benefits. Whether you've worked in the hardware industry, another retail environment or you're just getting started in your retail career, Westlake ACE could be the right fit for you. Please apply at Westlake ACE Hardware, 1009 Andrews Hwy, Midland, TX.

Part-Time Sales
Photography Mom365 has an opening for a sales & customer service oriented person to take babies' first official photos at Midland Memorial West Hospital. Please send resumes to careers@mom365.com

Sales Associates and Assistant Managers
Wood's Boots in Midland and Odessa are adding to our teams. We are looking for talented Sales Associates and Assistant Managers at multiple locations. Stop in today and pick up an application at any of our 4 locations.

Sales
FLOWERLAND FT
Sales Person needed. Must have good customer relations and phone etiquette. Computer experience preferred. Saturdays & holidays required. Fax resume to 432-682-8949, apply in person, or email resume to janecapp@flowerlandmidland.com, no phone calls please.

Experienced Diesel Technician
Horizon Transportation FT
Now hiring Experienced Diesel Technician. Clean driving record is required. Must pass a criminal background check and drug test. Please call 432-699-4468.

I & E Tech
Immediately Needed: I & E Tech for natural gas processing plant and gathering system near Rankin, Texas. Must have experience with electronic and pneumatic instrumentation and be able to troubleshoot 480V 3 phase electrical service. Experience with generators and plant automation a plus. Must be willing to take night and weekend call outs. Fax resume to 432-693-2132 or mail to Benedum Gas Plant, HC 34 Box 63, Midkiff, Texas 79755

Journeyman Plumber FT
Journeyman Plumber needed for new commercial. Join our growing company. Please call Superior Plumbing 432-687-5905

Landscape Help Needed
Starting Pay \$12. per hour. Must pass drug & background screening. Apply in person at Hunter's Ridge Apartments 4201 Andrews Hwy Midland, TX 79703

Licensed Commercial Plumber & Exp. Helpers
TMI Mechanical currently hiring Licensed Commercial Plumbers & Experienced Helpers for local jobsites. We offer top pay (up to \$28/hr DOE and we will pay additional for medical gas endorsements). Paid medical, paid vacations and holidays. Must have good driving record. Please call 432-686-0002 for interview.

Maintenance Technician/ Make Ready FT
Clusters Apartment 4418 Northshore Dr. Midland, TX 79707
Full-Time Maintenance Technician/ Make Ready needed. Please apply in person.

Mud Loggers
Titan Logging Services is now hiring Mud Loggers and Sample Catchers. Apply at 6413 N. Highway 349 Suite C, Midland, TX.

Multiple Positions
Crossfire, LLC is currently recruiting for the following positions: Crane Operators and Riggers Field Mechanics, Shop Mechanics and Lube Techs Hot Oil Truck Operator Line Locators Project Estimators Crossfire, LLC offers a competitive salary and benefits package. For detailed job descriptions visit our website at crossfire-llc.com. Resumes can be submitted to recruiting@crossfire-llc.com

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