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FALLING ICE

Recent hail events pelt Midland County.

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To help combat illiteracy, Midland Need to Read has provided services to anyone seeking to enhance their lives. Thirty years later, the organization continues to benefit the community.

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Taxable hotel receipts drop $1.5M in May

Figures mark the second straight month for drop; April decline tallied more than $800,000

From staff reports

Taxable hotel receipts in Midland dropped by nearly $1.5 million in May.

The Texas Comptroller's Office reported on its website that Midland collected $7.313 million in taxable receipts in May, down from $8.803 million in May 2014. This is the second straight month for a drop in taxable receipts. In April, the decline was more than $800,000.

This could be the start of a decline compared to the most successful four quarters in Midland's history when it comes to taxable receipts. From the second quarter of calendar year 2014 to the first quarter of 2015, hotels collected more than $118 million in taxable receipts. During the previous four quarters, that total was nearly $30 million less.

At this point in the second quarter of calendar year 2015, figures are likely to be closer to 2013 ($21.75 million) than 2014 ($27.96 million).

In terms of total receipts, most hotels took a hit in May compared to April. It is worth noting that six of the top nine revenue-producers are located at the Scharbauer Sports Complex and all but one (the DoubleTree by Hilton) were built as recently as 2008.

Hotel business
(Taxable receipts)

May 2015	
Midland	$7,313,658
Odessa	$5,598,844
Abilene	$4,058,125
Lubbock	$8,551,604
San Angelo	$2,726,044
Midland in May 2014	$8,803,463
Midland in May 2013	$7,077,041
Midland in May 2012	$6,078,115
Midland in May 2011	$4,251,112
Midland in May 2010	$2,460,365
Midland in May 2009	$2,796,685
Midland in May 2008	$3,290,761

Top Midland hotels
(Taxable receipts)

DoubleTree by Hilton	$804,403
Hilton Garden Inn	$497,798
Homewood Suites	$456,715
Residence Inn	$447,692
Sleep Inn	$341,532
Candlewood Suites	$326,848
Holiday Inn Express	$313,031
Townplace Suites	$298,801
Springhill Suites	$296,011
Midtown Hotel	$288,107
Holiday Inn Express (I-20)	$284,419
Courtyard by Marriott	$277,178
Home2Suites	$275,560
Best Western	$231,257
Hampton Inn and Suites	$216,463
Fairfield Inn	$205,149
Comfort Suites	$199,647
La Quinta (Loop 250)	$184,763
La Quinta (Wall)	$170,028
Value Place	$153,696
West Texas Inn and Suites	$152,512
Midland Country Inn	$143,832
Microtel Inn	$140,912
Comfort Inn	$138,758
Hawthorne Suites	$126,934
Plaza Inn (Big Spring St.)	$116,821
Best Value Inn	$113,327
Comfort Inn	$109,240
Baymont Inn	$107,057

Note: One Lodge was listed with $290,040; RL Signor Midland listed with $189,466

Top in Midland-Odessa

DoubleTree by Hilton	$881,586
MCM Fundome(O)	$709,218
Hilton Garden Inn	$603,966
MCM Elegante (O)	$536,632
Homewood Suites	$504,064

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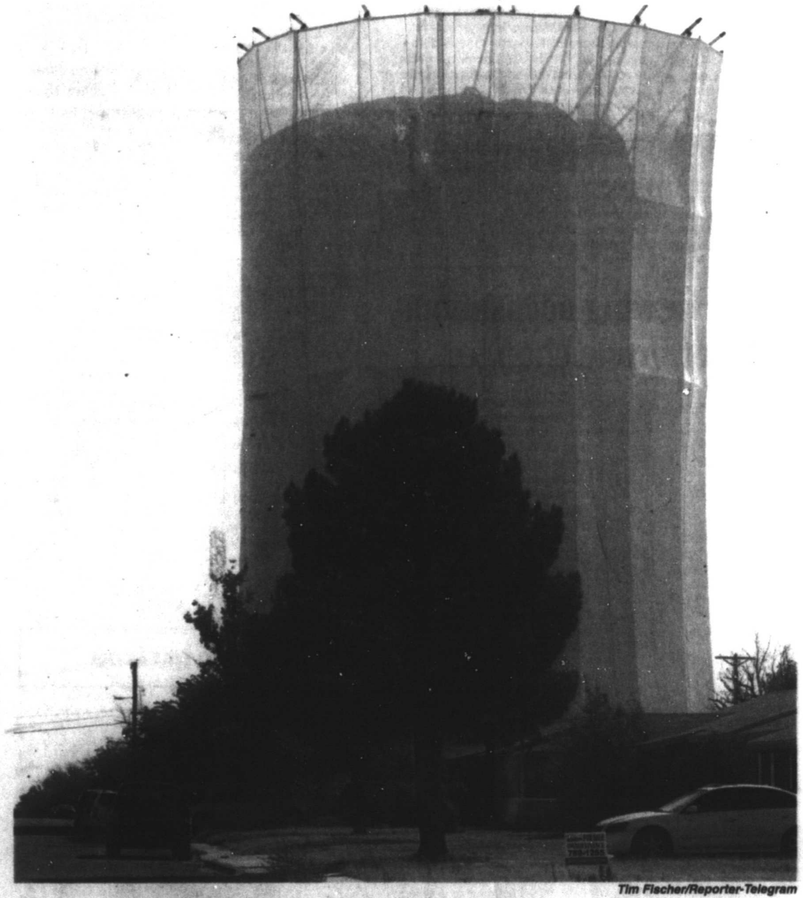

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Work continues Thursday on the water tower on the corner of Edgewood and Storey Ave.

City performs water tower maintenance

By Brandon Mulder
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If you've recently been in the western part of the city, you might have noticed a strange curtain that is veiling a water tower as though it were a magician's disappearance trick.

The reality is less exciting.

The city of Midland is performing maintenance to fight deterioration of the tower — at Edgewood Drive and Storey Avenue — and will be adding a new paint job to its exterior, according to city spokeswoman Sara Bustilloz.

To maintain the Texas Center for Environmental Quality's standards

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PBBOR: Record number of homes sold in June reported

From staff reports

Editor's note: This story has been altered due to a change in the numbers reported by the Permian Basin Board of Realtors. A report attached to an email to the Reporter-Telegram on Tuesday indicated there were 797 "active residential" listings. A PBBOR official later confirmed that number. An email that contained the report also included that "There were 434 Active listings on the last day of June." The figure was not included in the attached report and was not brought to our attention when a call was made confirming the 797 number.

The Reporter-Telegram is correcting the report to show this change.

Midland's housing market produced a record for houses sold during the month of June.

Figures from the Permian Basin Board of Realtors indicated 228 homes were sold in June — the most according to their records, which go back to January 2008.

For those homes sold in June, the median sold price was $250,000, a 12 percent decrease compared to June of last year. The average sold price dropped 17 percent year-over-year. It should be noted June 2014 experienced the highest home

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Senate panel approves bill that would lift oil export ban

From staff and wire reports

WASHINGTON — A Senate panel has approved energy legislation that would lift the 40-year-old ban on crude oil exports and open some areas of the Outer Continental Shelf to oil and gas exploration.

"We are pleased that the Energy and Natural Resources Committee has advanced this important legislation and hope leadership moves quickly to a vote on the Senate floor," said Ben Shepperd, president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association, in a statement emailed to the Reporter-Telegram. "Particularly given the recent deal allowing Iran to export

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Natural Gas	$2.678 ▼	$0.060
Gasoline	$2.494 ▼	$0.021

The big number
Authorities were able to seize
$187,000
when a human smuggling ring was busted. Page 3A

Today in Nation
Oil slick likely from natural seafloor seepage. Page 4A

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Human smuggling ring dismantled in South Texas

By Seth Robbins
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — U.S. Homeland Security investigators dismantled a South Texas ring that illegally smuggled thousands of immigrants across the border from Mexico and on to other parts of the state — often tucked in small, dangerous truck crawl spaces.

James Spero, special agent in charge of the San Antonio Division, said Thursday that nearly two dozen people were charged last week with human smuggling. Among them was 49-year-old Jaime Jaramillo-Hernandez, of San Antonio, whom authorities accused of leading the ring that shipped about 150 Central American and Mexican immigrants weekly. The immigrants paid about $5,000 each for the trip.

"These arrests give a significant blow to a multi-million dollar smuggling organization that has proven to have little regard for human life," Spero said.

The two-year investigation led to the arrests of more than 400 people, some 60 indictments and $187,000 seized, according to authorities. The ring extended from western border cities to San Antonio and Dallas.

Harry Jimenez, a deputy special agent with Homeland Security Investigations, said that investigators were examining possible links with Mexican cartels but that none have surfaced yet.

"There is a good possibility that as we move forward it may be more clear who exactly was behind this on the Mexican side," he said.

Among the ways that the immigrants were transported was inside a stifling U-Haul truck whose driver tried to avoid authorities by veering onto a set of railroad tracks.

Many immigrants also stuffed themselves inside the tractor-trailer air flow vents, commonly known as wind jammers. Immigrants have slipped and fallen to their deaths when they are hit by the truck or other oncoming traffic, Jimenez said, explaining that "they have to hang there for dear life."

Those charged with human smuggling face up to 10 years in prison, if convicted, said Richard Durbin, the U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Texas. He said the amount of money charged by the smugglers and the increased risk that the immigrants were willing to take was evidence that it has become more difficult to cross the border illegally.

"It's not a porous border that people are just going across," he said. "If entry were simple, it wouldn't be necessary to expose people to the dangers."

Judge mulls challenge to Arizona Medicaid plan hospital fee

By Bob Christie
Associated Press

PHOENIX — A lawyer representing 36 Republican lawmakers told a judge Thursday that keeping a hospital assessment in effect to help fund the state's Medicaid expansion would gut a voter-approved law requiring a two-thirds vote for tax increases.

Christine Sandefur, of the Goldwater Institute, urged Maricopa County Superior Court Judge Douglas Gerlach to rule that the hospital assessment that became law in 2013 was unconstitutional because it passed with only a bare majority. A 1998 constitutional amendment called Proposition 108 requires tax increases to be passed by a supermajority.

"The voters passed Prop 108 specifically to have it apply across the board, even in emergency situations, even programs for the poor," Sandefur told Gerlach. "And to exempt the provider tax here really creates a serious loophole. It leads the court to read two provisions contrary to each other and allows the Legislature to give ultimate discretion to an unelected, appointed administrator."

A lawyer representing state Medicaid Director Tom Betlach said a provision of Proposition 108 exempts the type of fee imposed to help fund Medicaid expansion from the supermajority requirement. Attorney Douglas Northup told Gerlach that Sandefur was trying to convince the judge that an assessment set by a state agency benefiting those who pay it qualifies as a tax.

"They're asking you to read words into the constitutional provision that don't exist," Northup said.

The 2013 law pushed by then-Gov. Jan Brewer, a Republican, passed after a historic statehouse battle. It was designed to provide coverage to an estimated 300,000 low-income Arizonans, and the hospital assessment paid for the state's extra costs.

Medical centers are pleased to pay it, according to a friend-of-the-court brief filed by several hospital chains and the state hospital association.

In the nine months after the assessment went into effect in January 2014, hospitals paid $143 million to the state, but they collected $488 million in payments for caring for patients that previously didn't qualify for Medicaid insurance, according to records from the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System.

Gerlach said he's trying to rule quickly, but regardless of what he decides, he's certain of an appeal.

"The way it works is there is no way to get your case to the Supreme Court right away, so we had to go through this exercise," he said. "I enjoyed it, but the fact of the matter is I appreciate the fact that my decision probably has as much meaning as the outcome of a spring training game."

Texas Tech reviewing accusations of improper grade changes

Associated Press

LUBBOCK — Texas Tech University is investigating allegations that the grades of several students in the Rawls College of Business were changed to unfairly improve their results and allow them to graduate.

Jay Conover, the tenured professor who taught the course, noticed that some grades listed on the transcript for the students were not the same as what he issued. He attended graduation ceremonies and was surprised to see that three of the MBA students received their diplomas anyway. A fourth student is set to graduate at the end of the summer semester.

Conover said that D's were changed to A's and B's, while a C was changed to an A. He learned the business college's dean had signed off on the students' change-of-grade form, which didn't list any reason for the grade switch.

When students typically appeal their grades, Conover said the dean forms a committee in which students and the instructor appear, but that didn't happen in this case. He said that the students in question had approached him near the end of the spring semester to ask him for a better grade so they could meet the GPA requirement to graduate.

But he said he told them they would have to retake the course if they wanted to get their degree. Conover said that he met with the dean in April to discuss the students' low grades. The dean showed him emails from the students, whose grades were changed, that blamed their low grades on poor teaching.

Conover said he believes their academic performance had stemmed from taking too many courses during the semester.

Provost Lawrence Schovanec said in a statement that school officials are looking into the allegations.

Judge denies appeal for using pot for PTSD

Associated Press

PHOENIX — Medical marijuana advocates have lost a court challenge to conditions set by Arizona health officials for post-traumatic stress sufferers seeking to qualify for treatment.

Judge Crane McClennen of Maricopa County Superior Court on Tuesday upheld the conditions, ruling that the state Department of Health Services acted within its authority. McClennen also said there was substantial evidence to support the department's action.

Then-DHS Director Will Humble in July 2014 said his agency would allow PTSD sufferers to get medical marijuana but Humble also set conditions that included allowing only PTSD patients already undergoing conventional treatment certified by a physician to qualify.

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COLLEGE STATION

Texas A&M announces land deal for expanded student housing

The Texas A&M University System has announced a public-private project for more student housing serving the flagship campus in College Station.

Servitas LLC was chosen to develop 48 acres west of George Bush Drive and Wellborn Road intersection, in an area to be called Park West.

The development, unveiled Thursday, should open in August 2017 with 3,400 beds with housing ranging from studio apartments to three-bedroom garden-style units.

The land will be leased to nonprofit NCCD-College Station Properties LLC, which will contract with Servitas Management Group LLC to serve as manager.

NCCD-College Station will pay $18.5 million to Texas A&M, with future revenues projected to average $20 million annually over 30 years. The facilities will revert to the Texas A&M University System upon termination of the ground lease.

HOUSTON

7 more sentenced in National Guard recruiting scam in Texas

Seven more National Guard members in Texas are going to prison or must serve probation in a scam to collect recruiting bonuses.

Prosecutors in Houston on Thursday announced penalties in cases blamed for more than $170,000 in government losses.

The military personnel were convicted of charges ranging from conspiracy, bribery and wire fraud to aggravated identity theft.

Jammie Martin of Katy was sentenced to 102 months. Michelle Davis of Houston received 57 months. Zaunmine "Orlando" Duncan of Douglasville, Georgia, was sentenced to 70 months.

Annika Chambers of Houston received six months in prison. Lashae Hawkins of San Antonio received a year and a day behind bars.

Cristopher Renfro of Houston was sentenced to 36 months in prison. Another soldier received probation.

Six other National Guard members were sentenced in June.

HOUSTON

Aggressive cobra found at Houston high-rise apartments

An aggressive 2-foot-long cobra captured at a luxury high-rise apartment complex in downtown Houston has been euthanized.

Houston police were summoned to The Rice Apartments after residents spotted an albino monocled cobra on the third floor over the weekend. Police used a broom to corner and capture the snake. No injuries were reported.

The Rice Apartments were once Houston's landmark Rice Hotel. A statement from The Rice management said all common areas and units in the complex have been inspected. No other exotic animals were found.

Authorities aren't sure how the snake, native to Southeast Asia, ended up in the building or who owned it.

Josie Moss says her pest control company tried to find a home for the extremely venomous snake but found little interest due to its aggression.

SAN ANGELO

Man arrested in fatal shooting; body found on street

Police said a West Texas driver has been charged with killing an acquaintance who was hit while riding a bicycle and then fatally shot.

Tom Green County jail records show Stephano Culbreath of San Angelo was being held Thursday on murder and possession of a controlled substance charges.

San Angelo police are seeking a motive in the killing of David Titus, whose body was found last Saturday on a street.

Culbreath was arrested hours later when he drove near the crime scene and seemed preoccupied with the investigation. Police said they found methamphetamine in his SUV. The bumper had marks consistent with the bicycle.

Culbreath was held without bond on the murder count and $50,000 bond in the drug case. Online records don't list an attorney to speak for him.

WICHITA FALLS

Texas businessman finds cellphone that fell from plane

A Texas businessman used an app to find his iPhone in a rural pasture after it fell about 9,300 feet during a flight from Houston.

The Wichita Falls Times Record News reported Thursday that Ben Wilson said his cellphone still works.

Wilson said he and a pilot were traveling home Monday in a Beechcraft Bonanza when a pressure change caused the passenger door to open slightly. Wilson didn't realize his cellphone fell out until after landing.

Wilson owns Gas Corp. of America in Wichita Falls. He and an employee used an app to narrow the search to near Jacksboro, more than 50 miles away.

The pair set on their search Tuesday and ended up in a rural pasture. They found the cellphone under a mesquite tree.

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Hebrews 12:1
Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

Hospital manager offers rebuttal to LSU disputes

By Melinda Deslatte
Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. — The foundation that manages LSU's Shreveport and Monroe hospitals under a privatization deal says it has sought to bring in an outside mediator to work out disputes with LSU, but the university has rejected the effort.

LSU has charged that the Biomedical Research Foundation of Northwest Louisiana, known as BRF, failed to live up to its contract.

In a 21-page letter to LSU late Wednesday, BRF issued a point-by-point rebuttal of accusations it has breached the hospital oversight agreement. Instead, the foundation said LSU leaders have thwarted efforts to ease the transition and remedy concerns.

"Each and every attempt we have made to objectively address outstanding problems has been rejected," Steve Skrivanos, chairman of the BRF board, wrote to LSU System President F. King Alexander.

Skrivanos said that since the research foundation took over management of the two hospitals nearly two years ago, it has decreased overtime costs, reduced patient wait times, increased hospital admissions and clinic visits and lowered patient complaints.

"We are eager to work cooperatively with LSU to resolve any disputes," he wrote.

LSU refused to comment Thursday on the hospital manager's letter. University spokesman Ernie Ballard said in an email that LSU had received the document and will "have no comments while negotiations are underway."

In his July 10 letter alleging breach of contract, Alexander accused the research foundation of "actions and activities that are contrary, and in fact antagonistic, to the best interests of LSU and the state."

Alexander said BRF hasn't established a sustainable financial model for the hospitals, has damaged the LSU Shreveport medical school's reputation and threatened the stability of both the medical school and the hospitals. He described unpaid debts owed by BRF and shortages of needed hospital supplies.

The response from the research foundation said complaints of incomplete documents and unpaid debts are more than a year old and have been resolved. Skrivanos wrote: "At some point, it is our hope that the past would be the past and we can move forward."

He insisted BRF supports the LSU teaching mission, has never refused needed resources or supplies to medical students and is following a sustainable business model for the hospitals. But he wrote that the research foundation has concerns about LSU trying to maintain control over hospital policies.

Skrivanos proposed a meeting to work through the concerns and draw up the remaining agreements sought by LSU. But he pushed back against a demand from Alexander that calls for the foundation's president and CEO, John George, to resign from BRF and be banned from any association with LSU.

Skrivanos said George agreed "to have his involvement in hospital affairs be determined by third party resolution" but will remain in his position until then.

George was one of Gov. Bobby Jindal's appointees to the LSU Board of Supervisors at the time the hospital privatization deal was struck. He has since resigned from the university board.

BRF took control of the two north Louisiana hospitals in October 2013 through a no-bid contract, part of Jindal's push to privatize most of the university-run public hospital system. It had never previously run a patient care facility.

Fire chief: More training planned after dispatcher hung up

By Russell Contreras and Terry Tang
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — All Albuquerque Fire Department employees in emergency situations will undergo additional training after a dispatcher told a 911 caller trying to help a teenage shooting victim to "deal with it yourself."

The department will start giving crisis intervention training to all firefighters and dispatchers next week, Fire Chief David Downey told reporters Wednesday. A department spokeswoman said she was not sure if some employees had previously received the training.

The dispatcher, Matthew Sanchez, should not have hung up on the 17-year-old caller in such a traumatic situation, Downey said.

"It was outlandish. Unforgivable," he said. "You cannot call 911 and be treated like that. You can't do it."

In the recording made public this week, caller Esperanza Quintero snaps at Sanchez for repeatedly asking whether her friend Jaydon Chavez-Silver, 17, is breathing.

"It was upsetting at the time, but I didn't have a choice," Quintero said. "What more could I have done?"

Chavez-Silver, 17, later died, police said. Sanchez had sent an ambulance before hanging up, and it arrived within minutes, officials said.

He resigned Tuesday, and efforts to reach him have been unsuccessful. A message left with Local 224 of the International Association of Fire Fighters, the union representing Albuquerque firefighters, was not immediately returned.



Associated Press

This June 27 photo shows flowers placed in the shrubs outside the house where 17-year-old Jaydon Chavez-Silver was shot and killed while socializing with a group of other teenagers in Albuquerque, N.M. A New Mexico dispatcher has resigned after telling a panicked 911 caller who was trying to save Jaydon Chavez-Silver's life to "deal with it yourself."

Despite the ambulance's quick response, Downey called Sanchez's conduct "egregious" and said the department has notified the New Mexico agency governing emergency medical licenses.

Quintero told The Associated Press that she wished Sanchez had done more to help after Chavez-Silver was shot while watching friends play cards inside a home.

In the recording of the call, Quintero is heard saying, "I am keeping him alive!"

Sanchez asks, "Is he not breathing?"

The caller responds, "Barely!"

The caller is then heard frantically encouraging Chavez-Silver to keep breathing.

"One more breath! One more breath!" Quintero tells him. "There you go Jaydon. One more breath! There you go Jaydon. Good job! Just stay with me, OK? OK?"

Sanchez then asks again, "Is he breathing?"

Quintero responded, "He is barely breathing, how many times do I have to (expletive) tell you?"

"OK, you know what ma'am? You can deal with it yourself. I am not going to deal with this, OK?" the dispatcher says.

It seemed from the tape that Sanchez hung up on the caller in mid-sentence.

"No, my friend is dying," she said as the call ended.

Dr. Jeff Clawson, medical and research director of the International Academies of Emergency Dispatch, said records show that Sanchez became certified as a dispatcher in February 2012 and was recertified two years later.

The exchange illustrates the stress that comes with life-and-death 911 calls and how they can be mishandled.

"Somebody with no experience at all, it's almost understandable," said Brett Patterson, also of the academies. "But if you're trained and certified, it's not forgivable. That should never happen."

Officials said Sanchez was employed by the Albuquerque Fire Department for 10 years and was a firefighter before being assigned to a dispatcher job. It was unclear why the change was made.

Police said Chavez-Silver was watching a card game at a friend's house when six shots were fired at the bay windows from outside. Witnesses said Chavez-Silver yelled that he had been shot then fell to the floor.

A bullet struck Chavez-Silver in the upper body, and he was rushed to a hospital where he died, investigators said.

His family said Chavez-Silver, a recent high school graduate, had enlisted in the U.S. Air Force.

No arrests have been made in the shooting.

New Mexico Dems eye changes after historic losses in 2014

By Russell Contreras
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Eight months ago, Republican Gov. Susana Martinez won re-election by a wide margin and the GOP took control of the New Mexico House for the first time since Dwight Eisenhower was president.

The 2014 losses were historic for New Mexico Democrats, who had long held power in the state with the highest percentage of Hispanic residents. Party activists grew even more disheartened in the aftermath, as phone calls weren't returned and an energized Republican Party appeared to be dictating the state's agenda on taxes and education.

Now the state's Democrats are hoping a new executive director and chairwoman will steer the once-dominant party back into power after months of uncertainty and infighting.

The party announced this week it has selected Denver attorney Joe Kabourek as its executive director, and officials plan on embarking on a statewide tour to speak to "dispirited" activists. Officials say Kabourek was selected out of around 30 candidates and comes to the position with extensive fundraising and field operations experience — something Democrats desperately need going into a 2016 presidential election cycle.

"I think it's safe to say the Democratic Party of New Mexico is in a rebuilding process," said Brian Sanderoff, an Albuquerque pollster. "The Democratic Party brand had some problems locally and nationally."

The 2014 losses came even though state Democrats outnumbered Republicans in voter registration 1.5-to-1.

Democratic Party of New Mexico chairwoman Debra Haaland, who was recently elected as chair, said 2014 was difficult because the party failed to get its base out to the polls in an election that saw overall low voter turnout. Haaland was the Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor with losing gubernatorial nominee Gary King.

Some Democrats blamed the losses on infighting and the misuse of resources on unwinnable races instead of focusing on battling GOP surges in traditionally safe Democrats seats.

But if Democrats recruit the right candidates and reach out to the state's rural voters, Haaland says voter turnout will be much larger in 2016. "I don't have any doubt that we will win back the House," she said

Kabourek, who starts his job Aug. 10, said his first tasks are to rebuild the Democratic bench and put the party in position to retake the New Mexico House in 2016.

"It's a great time to be a Democrat in New Mexico," Kabourek said. "We're moving on from what was a dispirited election."

To do that, Democrats need to train new candidates and move to a new system that uses metadata to better target voters and raise money, Kabourek said.

Pat Garrett, a spokesman for the Republican Party of New Mexico, said it didn't matter who was in charge of the state Democrats if their stances on issues didn't change.

"For over 50 years, New Mexico Democrats have been directly to blame for holding back reform," Garrett said. "Last year voters wanted a different direction, yet we see the same attitude from the State Democratic Party — protecting a failed status quo at all costs."

911 calls describe harrowing scene after Louisiana theater shooting

By Michael Kunzelman
Associated Press

BATON ROUGE, La. — The urgent call went out across a police radio only minutes after gunfire erupted inside a Lafayette movie theater: The suspect was inside an auditorium and had reloaded his gun.

"We have an active shooter here," one officer said, calling for help from others with rifles. "Listen, we need everybody over here. Send anybody you got."

"Take it easy," another officer interjected. "Everybody is en route. We're coming."

Police radio transmissions released Thursday — a week after the rampage — show that John Russell Houser was dead within four minutes of a dispatcher broadcasting his bare-bones description: white male, white shirt, khaki shorts.

Officers found Houser's body inside the same auditorium at The Grand 16 theater in Lafayette where he opened fire 20 minutes into a screening of "Trainwreck" on the night of July 23. Houser shot and killed two people and wounded nine others before fatally shooting himself, police said.

Authorities also released a batch of 911 emergency calls in response to public records requests by The Associated Press and other news outlets.

In one 911 call, a man breathing heavily said he heard six or seven shots from a man who "shot right at people." In another, a man pleads for the dispatcher to send more ambulances. A woman in another call says she saw a girl who got shot walking out of the theater as she was walking in.

Authorities also released video from the dashboard of a police vehicle and brief snippets of surveillance video that shows Houser purchase a ticket at the theater and walk through the lobby and down a hallway toward the auditorium where the shooting occurred.

The collection of audio and video painted a picture of moviegoers and police trying to make sense of a dangerous and chaotic scene that was swiftly unfolding.

While many of the 911 callers appear to be out of breath, they also seemed remarkably collected as they relayed gruesome details of what the victims were wearing or where on their bodies were shot. Many used "Ma'am" to refer to the female 911 operators and took the time to use courtesies like "Thank you" and "please."

Theater patrons who could be seen leaving as the first police officer drove up were walking instead of running.

Although terse and often speaking in codes, the voices over the police radio provided a clearer, real-time narrative of how quickly the rampage ended.

After the officer relayed a report that the shooter was reloading, another called for setting up a perimeter.

"Don't forget the exit doors. And then we'll start making our way inside to get people out," the officer said.

"Alright, headquarters we are making entry," an officer said.

"He's in Theater 14, I'm advised," a woman said. "OK, we're just advised the suspect shot himself."

"Alright we've got several more victims inside," an officer said. "Suspect is down. Suspect is down. We have several more victims inside with gunshot wounds."

"We need more units inside to start helping triage. Also, bring first-aid kits. Immediately," another officer said.

A lawyer for the city said the tapes don't include hundreds of other calls to police. Names of the police officers and 911 callers on the tapes were withheld.

Investigators found wigs and disguises in Houser's Lafayette motel room, suggesting he hoped to escape after the shooting. They said he tried to blend in with the crowd of fleeing people but turned back after spotting officers entering the theater.

A police spokesman said investigators also recovered a "journal type book" from the Motel 6 room where Houser had been staying since early July. Authorities haven't disclosed any details about the journal's contents.

In 2008, a Georgia judge ordered Houser detained for a mental evaluation after relatives claimed he was a danger to himself and others. But the judge says she didn't have him involuntarily committed, which could explain how he passed a federal background check last year that enabled him to buy the .40-caliber handgun.

Funeral services were held Monday for 33-year-old Jillian Johnson and 21-year-old Mayci Breaux, the two women killed by Houser.

Convicted rapist in New Mexico gets 54 more years in prison

Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — A convicted rapist has been sentenced to an additional 54 years in prison for three other sexual assault cases in New Mexico.

Prosecutors say 58-year-old Joseph Blea now will have to serve 90 years in prison.

Last month, the Albuquerque man was sentenced to a 36-year term for raping a 13-year-old girl in 1988.

Blea was sentenced Thursday for sexually assaulting two teenage girls and a woman in 1990 and 1993.

Prosecutors say the victims were attacked in their homes by a masked man and Blea was linked to the cases through DNA evidence.

He pleaded no contest to five counts of first-degree rape and one count of kidnapping.

Each charge carried a basic sentence of 18 years, but prosecutors say the state agreed to a cap of 54 years.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

■ Mini Day Camp: Wonderful World of Wildlife, 9 a.m.-noon, Sibley Nature Center. sibleynaturecenter.org.
■ Old Miners Maze family amusement park, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. and 5 p.m.-10 p.m. oldminersmaze.com.
■ Drive Big Bend in Far West Texas. drivebigbend.com.
■ Hot Summer Nights: Lone Star Attitude, sundown, Noel Plaza in Odessa. facebook.com/odessaarts.
■ "Farrie Bueller's Day Off" screening for Flash Back Fridays, 5 p.m.-midnight, RTD Skatepark. 235-7001.
■ Boot, Scoot & Boogie Night, 6:30 p.m., YMCA. midlandymca.org.
■ Lower Left Performance Collective performance, 7:30 p.m., Kamiposi.
■ Summer Mummers "Masked Mummers in Midtropolis ... or No News is Good News" at the Yucca Theatre. summermummers.com.

Pools hours today

■ Doug Russell Aquatic Center, 900 N. Midland Drive, noon to 7 p.m.
■ Washington Aquatic Center, 1601 E. Indiana Ave., noon to 7 p.m.

New movies in Midland

■ At Cinergy Cinemas: "Mission: Impossible - Rogue Nation," "Vacation"
■ At Big Sky Drive-In: "Mission: Impossible - Rogue Nation," "Vacation"
■ At Tall City 14: "Mission: Impossible - Rogue Nation," "Vacation"

Gas prices in Midland

Cheapest gas: $2.18 (Sam's Club, Tradewinds/SH 191)
Cheapest gas (non-membership club): $2.23 (Murphy USA, Midland Drive/Briarwood; Stripes, Midland Drive/Briarwood; Texaco, Briarwood/Northcrest)
Most expensive gas: $2.69 (Chevron, Rankin Highway and ECR 135)
Most common prices: $2.53, $2.65
Cheapest prices in West Texas: Midland $2.18, Lubbock $2.25, Odessa $2.27, San Angelo $2.27, Abilene $2.33

Gasoline prices down nickel across Texas

Retail gasoline prices across Texas slipped a nickel this week to settle at $2.48 per gallon.

AAA Texas on Thursday reported the nationwide price at the pump declined 7 cents this week to reach an average $2.67 per gallon.

Texarkana has the cheapest gasoline in Texas this week at $2.36 per gallon. Drivers in El Paso are paying the most statewide at an average $2.66 per gallon.

AAA says most drivers are seeing the lowest July retail gasoline prices since 2009.

Association experts say regional price volatility continues in some markets due to localized refinery issues and tight supplies.

Source: Associated Press

Watering schedule

The current outdoor watering schedule allows residents and businesses in the city of Midland to water twice per week.

Even-numbered addresses may water outdoors on Saturdays and Wednesdays.

Odd-numbered addresses may water outdoors on Fridays and Tuesdays.

Any violation may result in a fine up to $500.

The washing outdoor surfaces ban is still in effect.

Source: city of Midland

Community calendar

■ Sibley Nature Center is to present Odonata Celebration 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday. The event will feature lectures, guided trail hikes, art and photography displays and kids' activities.

For more information, call 684-6827. The schedule of Odonata events is available at sibleynature-center.org.

■ United Blood Services will be conducting a blood drive 1-4 p.m. Saturday in the parking lot of Midland Park Mall. Donors will be entered in a drawing for prizes, including a cookie cake from Great American Cookie and a family meal from Luciano Pizza.

To register for the blood drive, call Kathy Lujan at 689-8000. For more information, visit www.facebook.com/MidlandParkMall or www.simon.com/mall/midland-park-mall.

Correction

A deputy with the Midland County Sheriff's Office arrested a man Wednesday for assault on a public servant. A story in Thursday's edition had the wrong law enforcement agency.

The Reporter-Telegram regrets the error.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 5-6-4
Pick 3 day: 0-2-0
Pick 3 evening: 0-6-3
Pick 3 night: 9-7-4
Daily 4 morning: 0-5-9-5
Daily 4 day: 4-5-8-1
Daily 4 evening: 0-4-5-8
Daily 4 night: 7-5-2-6
Cash Five: 16-17-21-27-31
Texas Two Step: 6-12-16-17 BB: 1
All or Nothing morning: 1-2-3-4-6-8-14-15-17-19-21-23
All or Nothing day: 1-3-4-7-8-9-10-11-13-16-19-21
All or Nothing evening: 2-5-8-9-13-14-16-19-21-22-23-24
All or Nothing night: 2-6-8-9-11-13-14-15-16-19-22-24

Recent hail events pelt parts of Midland County

By Brandon Mulder
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Spotty hail events that occurred in the spring and early summer pelted some Midland County neighborhoods and not others and went undetected by the National Weather Service.

In May, hail stones up to the size of baseballs fell on a small subdivision off County Road 1120 between Greenwood and Midland.

Richard Broadway and his wife were among residents affected by the storms. The couple live in a mobile home in a small neighborhood east of the city. Two months ago, hail stones 3 inches in diameter swept through the area, Broadway said, puncturing holes in the home's roof.

"It just sounded like a bunch of rocks hitting the roof," he said. "It was real loud — lasted probably 30 to 45 minutes."

The hail stones left their signature pox on his neighbors' vehicle hoods and cracked the windows of their homes.

Localized hail events continued throughout June and July. Golf ball-size pellets battered Greenwood residences and neighborhoods on the western side of the county.

July is an unlikely month for hail considering the heated atmosphere, according to the National Weather Service. But "in Texas, nothing surprises us here," said local State Farm insurance agent Eddy Ohlenburg.

Earlier this month his office received about 50 claims scattered throughout the Greenwood area resulting from a hail event that went undetected by the National Weather Service.

"It can be real, real localized in certain areas, and generally the public doesn't know that," Ohlenburg said. "If it didn't get on TV or the front page, basically the people aren't aware of it."

So while hail can pummel roofs and assault cars in one neighborhood, there can be can be sunshine and rainbows in the next.

"The one in Greenwood, I knew about that one the next day because the phone started ringing real quick," Ohlenburg said of early July's hail storm in the eastern sector of the county. "And then you're going to know by noon to 1 p.m. the severity of the claim just because how many claims you have taken."

In West Texas, where a hail storm is not out of the ordinary, the roofing business prospers. The larger the diameter of the hail stone, the more roofs need repairing. And on Wednesday morning, Charles Grimes, owner of Midland-based Raintree Roofing Inc., was doing just that.

Grimes had visited a home that morning with a roof that had suffered from early July's hail event. In the days after that storm, roofers were working throughout the subdivision.

"I was 30 years in banking, and out here a roofer is a better life than a banker," he said.

Grimes and his company serve about 1,000 customers in the region and he said Raintree is one of about six roofing companies that dominate the local market.

He said this year business is "better than last year" when he "probably lost $10,000." Grimes said his company breaks even most years.

Last year Texas ranked No. 1 for home and auto damages in 2014 with 51,193 hail-related claims, according to State Farm statistics. But the year that Grimes and Ohlenburg remember is 2009, when hail events paid high dividends to roofers. A storm on April 11 of that year was classified by State Farm as "catastrophic."

"It beat up cars, it knocked out windshields. Basically, we felt that we re-roofed Midland, but all the other insurance companies felt that way too," he said. "Boy, it was a monster."

And for Grimes, his company netted hundreds of thousands of dollars.

"Midland didn't have a good storm until 2009, and that paid off super for me," he said.

Arctic-bound ship leaves Portland after oil drilling protest

By Steven DuBois and Dan Joling
Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — A Royal Dutch Shell ice-breaker that was the target of environmental protesters left Portland, Oregon, on Thursday bound for an Arctic drilling operation after a tense standoff ended with kayakers and activists who had dangled from a bridge to block its path.

The Fennica left dry dock and made its way down the Willamette River toward the Pacific Ocean soon after authorities forced the demonstrators from the river and the St. Johns Bridge.

Several protesters in kayaks moved toward the center of the river as the ship began its trip, but authorities in boats and personal watercraft cleared a narrow pathway for the Fennica.

Authorities also jumped into the water to physically remove some protesters who left their kayaks.

Sgt. Pete Simpson, a Portland police spokesman, said "a number of people" were detained and it was still being determined whether any would face charges.

Simpson earlier said safety was the main priority as authorities forced protesters from the area.

The Fennica arrived in Portland for repairs last week. It attempted to leave earlier Thursday but turned around when activists dangling from the bridge refused to let it pass.

The icebreaker is a key part of Shell's exploration and spill-response plan off Alaska's northwest coast. It protects Shell's fleet from ice and carries equipment that can stop gushing oil.

Authorities moved in hours after a federal judge in Alaska ordered Greenpeace USA to pay a fine of $2,500 for every hour that protesters dangled from the bridge to block the ship.

In May, U.S. District Judge Sharon Gleason granted Shell's request that activists protesting its Arctic drilling plans be ordered to stay away from company vessels and beyond buffer zones.

At the court hearing Thursday in Anchorage, Gleason said the hourly fine against Greenpeace would increase over the next few days unless the blockade was lifted. It would have jumped to $5,000 an hour Friday, $7,500 an hour Saturday, and $10,000 an hour Sunday.

HOMES

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prices on record, with average and median sold prices reaching $340,000 and $280,000 respectively.

The PBBOR also reported that the average and median prices for last month are still between 5 and 6 percent higher than the average for the first five months of 2015.

The price drop reflects the drop in oil prices since November of last year, when the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) announced that it would not change production levels to stabilize the falling price of oil. That announcement sent West Texas Intermediate crude into a tailspin where it hit $42 a barrel in March before rising to between $50 and $60 a barrel. It has recently fallen to $47 a barrel after the finalizing of the Iran nuclear deal, rising oil supplies and a weak global economy.

The PBBOR numbers also showed 434 homes on the market in June, an increase compared to May (424) but a decrease compared to the average of the first five months of 2015 (498). Days on the market rose to an average of 50.

Odessa also showed signs of strain in its real estate market, as the number of homes sold dropped by a quarter compared to June 2014, according to data from the Texas Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University. Average home prices fell by over 5 percent, while median prices remained stagnant. The number of homes on the market stayed relatively the same. Until June Odessa's real estate market seemed to have fared better than Midland's as home prices continued to rise and inventory remained low.

Home prices are not the only measure to have fluctuated since the price of oil fell. Apartment prices have been cut by over a quarter, while occupancy has fallen by over 10 percent, according to a previous article.

June homes report

(All information according to the Permian Basin Board of Realtors)

Total homes on market, (average first five months of 2015): 498

Total homes on market, June 2015: 434

Homes sold, June 2015 (most on record): 228

Homes sold, June 2014 (second most on record): 208

Homes on the market, 2015

January	514
February	531
March	533
April	490
May	424
June	434

Homes sold, 2015:

January	96
February	86
March	140
April	138
May	196
June	228

EXPORT

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their crude, the time is now for Congress to lift this ban and give American producers those same opportunities."

Republican Lisa Murkowski of Alaska, chairman of the panel, championed the plan to lift the restrictions. It passed by a party-line vote of 12-10. She said lifting the ban would turn the U.S. into an energy superpower.

Democrat Maria Cantwell of Washington, who opposes lifting the ban, describes the votes as an important first step in a long journey.

The Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee approved an array of energy legislation on Thursday. Lawmakers wanted to move the energy legislation out of committee before the August recess.

On Wednesday, House Speaker John Boehner said he would take a push by U.S. oil companies to ship their crude oil overseas and lift a decades-long ban on exports.

"We greatly appreciate the speaker's leadership on this important issue. This is of tremendous importance to the Permian Basin and to the PBPA. Hopefully, Congress will lift this outdated policy by the end of the year," Shepperd told the Reporter-Telegram.

CRIMEBRIEF

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Man allegedly threatens deputy


Sarazin

A Midland man was arrested Wednesday morning after he allegedly threatened a Midland County sheriff's deputy, according to court documents.

Tyler E. Sarazin, 27, was being held Thursday on a third-degree felony charge of obstruction or retaliation. Bond had not been set as of Thursday evening, according to the Midland County Sheriff's Office.

Deputies were dispatched to County Road 1140 in response to a report of a man standing in the middle of the road with a handgun trying to flag down motorists.

When deputies entered the residential area, the man — later identified as Sarazin — walked outside of a residence with his hands in the air and obeyed commands, according to his arrest affidavit.

After deputies handcuffed him, two dogs ran outside of the residence toward them. Sarazin allegedly screamed at deputies, "If you shoot my dogs, I'm going to kill you."

He repeated the same phrase again and seemed to be addressing one deputy in particular when he threatened to kill him, according to the affidavit.

The weapon believed to be a handgun was determined to be an airsoft pistol, according to the affidavit.

Sarazin did not appear to have a reason for standing in the middle of the road with the airsoft pistol, according to the affidavit.

If convicted of a third-degree felony, Sarazin could face up to 10 years in prison.

Scientist: Oil slick likely from natural seafloor seepage

By Christopher Weber
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Coast Guard officials say it will likely be a couple more days before they can definitively say what caused a miles-long oil slick to materialize off the Santa Barbara County coast this week, but an expert said Thursday it was more than likely the result of ocean-floor seepage.

Beaches all along the coast remained open and crowded Thursday, with health officials saying the 3-mile sheen is harmless to people. That's in contrast to the mass closure that occurred in the same area in May when a broken pipeline spilled about 2,400 barrels of crude oil, fouling sands, seabirds and fishing areas for miles.

Coast Guard Petty Officer Andrea Anderson said samples of the spill were collected Wednesday and Thursday and were being sent to a lab for analysis.

The oil is floating in the Santa Barbara Channel above the Coal Oil Point seep field, a region known for releasing methane and also about 100 barrels of liquid petroleum per day, said Jordan Clark, professor of earth science and environmental studies at University of California, Santa Barbara.

It's not uncommon for even larger amounts of oil to occasionally be "burped" from the sea floor, he said, noting that Spanish explorers first documented the natural seepage centuries ago. It's one of the largest seep fields in the world, he said.

"If you fly in to Santa Barbara airport you can often see slicks on the water out there. It's reasonable for a slick this size to be spotted in the seepage area" of Coal Oil Point, Clark said. He called the size of the sheen "relatively insignificant" and agreed with Coast Guard officials who predicted it would likely dissipate in a day or two.

The slick was first observed Wednesday morning after firefighters went to the Goleta pier to check on reports of a smell of gas. They found two kayakers who had just come ashore with their legs and boats covered in oil. One of them, Bob Seiler, told KABC-TV that he and a friend were fishing when they suddenly found themselves enveloped by the oil.

"We were heading to the end of the kelp bed that's out there and the further we got out there the thicker this film was," he said.

Although the slick was large, it wasn't thick and gooey enough to be scooped up, Coast Guard Petty Officer Sondra-Kay Kneen said. It should simply break up and deplete on its own in the days ahead, she said.

WATER

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for elevated water towers, the city is conducting "abrasive blast removal" to repair any rotting metal and to apply a sealant coat to the interior surfaces.

"Basically, we're blasting the inside and the outside of it, then we coat it," Bustilloz said. "That protects that metal structure, and then on the outside, we'll do a new paint job and put our new logo on there."

The water tower was erected in the 1950s and is Midland's first elevated water-storage tank, she said. Its tank stores about 1 million gallons per day.

In February of last year, the city awarded a bid for the restoration job to Luckinbill Inc. for nearly $2.5 million for the simultaneous restoration of the Edgewood water tank and the Wadley Avenue storage tank, located near Hogan Park. The Wadley storage tank job was completed earlier this year.

Nearly half of that funding was appropriated from the Water and Sewer 2012 Certificate of Obligations Bond Fund; the rest was appropriated from the Water and Sewer Fund, Bustilloz said. No general-fund dollars were used for the project.

The white sheet that surrounds the tower is a low-tech "containment system" that protects the environment while the blasting is done, she said.

The process will likely last a few more months, though an exact date cannot be determined because of weather and coordination with the electrical company Oncor, which must move power lines to make way for the project.

Residents' water pressure or water quality is not expected to be effected.

Mother who fled Honduras says 'it's the same' in US

By Molly Hennessy-Fiske
Los Angeles Times

HOUSTON — Ten immigrant women who had been held at government-contracted family detention centers filed complaints with the Department of Homeland Security on Thursday alleging that they and their children had received substandard medical care at the facilities.

"These 10 complaints are representative of the regular failures of DHS to provide adequate medical care for mothers and children in family detention facilities, and they add to the already ample evidence demonstrating why family detention must end," the immigration attorneys' groups representing the women said in a statement.

The groups urged the department to "conduct a prompt and thorough investigation into these examples immediately and to take swift action to fully investigate the systemic problems."

A Homeland Security spokeswoman did not immediately respond to a request for comment. But officials have defended the family detention centers in the past as humane facilities well equipped to provide medical, educational and other services to women and children. Last month, officials announced added oversight and case reviews intended to improve family detention.

The Obama administration has been expanding immigrant family detention since last summer's surge of illegal immigration on the southern border, primarily from Central America. The number of family detention facilities was expanded from one 95-bed family detention center in Pennsylvania to three, the larger two in Texas, with a capacity by year's end of 3,700 beds.

The women allege in their complaints to Homeland Security's inspector general and Office of Civil Rights and Civil Liberties that they and their children were denied medical care and mistreated, and that they endured medical errors, including:

—A child vomiting blood was told to drink water and was not referred for off-site medical care for three days.

—A woman with two broken fingers was denied medical care and advised to "drink more water."

—A woman with breast cancer was repeatedly denied medical treatment.

—More than 250 children were mistakenly given adult doses of a Hepatitis A vaccine.

—A 5-year-old was repeatedly transferred off site for medical care only to have on-site medical professionals later refuse to issue prescribed medication.

The complaints were submitted on behalf of the women by the American Immigration Council, American Immigration Lawyers Association, Catholic Legal Immigration Network Inc., Immigrant Justice Corps, Women's Refugee Commission and Refugee and Immigrant Center for Education and Legal Services, or RAICES.

The attorneys did not identify the women in the complaint but provided their identities separately to Homeland Security.

One complaint alleges that a 29-year-old woman from Honduras struggled to get treatment for breast cancer in detention. The woman fled Central America with her two children, ages 4 and 6, after being targeted by a gang. When she suffered headaches and vomited for several days at a time at the detention center in Dilley, she had to wait days to see a doctor, the complaint alleges.

The attorneys also quote a 24-year-old Honduran woman held in Dilley with her 5-year-old daughter. "These are delicate situations when someone is sick and vulnerable. They just care about control," the woman said.

She alleges in her complaint that it took weeks to get her daughter treated, eventually with help from the Honduran Consulate, and even then, she could not get prescribed medications at the detention center.

"I thought I came to this country to escape abuse, mistreatment and disrespect," she said. "But it's the same here."

Jonathan Ryan, executive director of San Antonio-based RAICES, said the group had not received a response Thursday from Homeland Security.

"The substandard medical care that these women have access to is one of the principal examples of ICE's inability to manage family detention in a way that is safe," Ryan said. "There are mothers and children in these facilities with significant, time-sensitive issues that are not being treated."

Also on Thursday, a 25-year-old Honduran woman who was held for more than six months at the family detention center in Dilley sued Homeland Security and ICE officials in federal court in San Antonio.

Lolian Celina Gutierrez Cruz requested that the judge free her and her 6-year-old daughter, alleging that they continue to be held even though she passed an asylum screening in February. She alleges they were denied medical care to the point that her daughter had to be rushed to a hospital when she started vomiting blood.

Earlier this week, a social worker formerly employed at the detention center in Karnes City, told members of Congress at a Washington forum on family detention that she resigned after being forced to omit medical information from women's files, ignore medical complaints and condone other "unethical" behavior that jeopardized her license.

Last week, a federal judge in Los Angeles gave the Obama administration until Monday to show why she should not hold them to conditions for detaining children outlined in a 1997 court settlement, potentially ending family detention. A department spokeswoman has said the government is preparing a response.

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Campus officer pleads not guilty in traffic stop shooting

By Lisa Cornwell and Andrew Welsh-Huggins
Associated Press

CINCINNATI (AP) — A University of Cincinnati police officer who fatally shot a motorist during a traffic stop pleaded not guilty Thursday to a charge of murder and was ordered jailed on $1 million bail.

Fired UC officer Ray Tensing later posted 10 percent of that amount and was released, the Hamilton County Court clerk's website said. He was freed at about 6:30 p.m., county sheriff's spokesman Mike Robison confirmed.

People in the courtroom audience had erupted into cheers and clapped when Tensing's bail was set at $1 million, drawing the ire of Judge Megan Shanahan.

"Ladies and gentlemen! This is a courtroom," the judge said sharply.

Tensing also pleaded not guilty to a charge of voluntary manslaughter in the July 19 shooting of Samuel DuBose, who was stopped for not having a front license plate.

Defense attorney Stewart Mathews said there are two sides to the case and the officer's much-viewed body camera video of the traffic stop can be interpreted differently from the prosecutor's version.

He described Tensing as "very depressed" and "in shock," adding the officer felt "like he's been run over by a train from the start of this case."

Here's what Betty White thinks of Cecil the lion's killing

By Alicia Rancilio
Associated Press

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — Betty White, a passionate animal activist, has harsh words for the Minnesota dentist who killed Cecil the lion while on a hunting trip in Zimbabwe this month.

"You don't want to hear some of the things I want to do to that man," the 93-year-old actress told The Associated Press on Thursday.

"It's such a heartbreaker. You can't even talk about it, and to see this king of the jungle and personifying it in every way, this gorgeous creature. How can somebody do that?"

Cecil was drawn from a wildlife preserve and shot by American hunter Walter James Palmer on July 1. Palmer is believed to have shot the lion with a bow and then the wounded cat was tracked for 40 hours before he killed it with a gun.

Palmer released a statement this week through a publicist saying he was with professional guides and believed the hunt was legal. The firm is no longer helping Palmer.

White, who said she's "loved animals since the womb," was promoting a new block of programming in August on Discovery Family Channel called "Pawgust," with shows, specials and movies about animals. White will serve as the host of "Pawgust," and be featured in promos.

"Anything that promotes positive animal knowledge or talk I'm all for," said White of her involvement.

Trump's call for mass deportations runs into messy realities

By Jill Colvin and Alicia A. Caldwell
Associated Press

NEW YORK — In one of his first forays into policy as a presidential candidate, Republican Donald Trump calls for the deportation of all 11 million people estimated to be living in the country illegally while allowing the "really good people" to return.

It's a plan Trump offers with few specifics — and one complicated by the messy realities of the nation's immigration system.

Such an effort may be more difficult than Trump realizes because deporting so many people means finding them first. The government does not know the identities of many of the millions of people who have come into the country illegally or remained after their legally issued visas expired. Locating immigrants who don't have a legal immigration status has stymied officials for decades.

Deporting them all "is impractical and is opposed by a large majority of Americans," said Clint Bolick, an Arizona lawyer who co-authored a book on immigration policy with former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, himself a GOP presidential candidate.

During an interview Wednesday on CNN, Trump said the "good ones" could return via an "expedited" process and then remain in the country legally.

The billionaire businessman and former reality television star has shot to the top of polls in the crowded race for the Republican presidential nomination in large part because of his hardline stance on immigration.

"I want to move 'em out, and we're going to move 'em back in and let them be legal," he told CNN.

As for his plans for the "bad ones," Trump said: "We have a lot of bad dudes, as I said. We have a lot of really bad people here. I want to get the bad ones out. ... And, by the way, and they're never coming back."

But Trump dodged questioned in the interview about how he would locate those he wants to deport. Campaign spokeswoman Hope Hicks declined to answer questions Thursday about that process or how much it might cost.

In recent years, the Obama administration has relied on fingerprints collected by local jails and sent to the FBI to identify immigrants living in the country illegally who were also arrested on criminal charges. But that program has been challenged in court. Meanwhile, hundreds of local jurisdictions are no longer complying with requests to detain immigrants until federal authorities can take custody of them.

The nation's immigration courts already face a yearslong backlog of more than 451,000 deportation cases. For immigrants who choose to fight the government's efforts to remove them from the country, the process can take several years.

Cobain's family wants death-scene photos sealed

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Kurt Cobain's widow and daughter are urging a Seattle judge not to release death-scene photos and records that a lawsuit claims will prove the Nirvana frontman was murdered more than 20 years ago.

Superior Court Judge Theresa Doyle is set to hear arguments today over whether to proceed with a trial after Richard Lee, who runs a Seattle public access TV show, sued the city and the Seattle Police Department for the material he says will show Cobain didn't die of a self-inflicted gunshot wound in 1994, The Seattle Times reported.

The city is arguing that the material should stay sealed for the sake of the family's privacy. Cobain's widow, rocker and actress Courtney Love, and their daughter have written to the court about the physical and psychological impact that the release of the graphic photos would have on their lives.

"I have had to cope with many personal issues because of my father's death. Coping with even the possibility that those photographs could be made public is very difficult," Frances Bean Cobain wrote. "Further sensationalizing it through the release of these pictures would cause us indescribable pain."

She wrote that she already faces harassment from fans "obsessed" with her father and fears that could get worse.

One fan broke into her California home and waited three days for her to return from vacation because he "believed my father's soul had entered my body," Frances Bean Cobain wrote in her declaration.

According to their statements, neither woman has seen the photos of Cobain's body.

In 1995, Love got court permission to keep Cobain's suicide note, and another note used for handwriting analysis, out of the public eye.



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OPINION

Glimmer of bipartisanship exists in congress

■ The amount of compromise isn't ideal but it's a start



CARL LEUBSDORF
Dallas Morning News

When the House voted recently to revamp federal education programs, its Republican majority included provisions that would undermine the law's principal goal in an unacceptable way for most Democrats and the Obama administration.

But when the Senate passed its version, bipartisan-backed changes enabled the Senate version to pass, 81-17, with support from majorities of both parties. By contrast, only Republicans backed the House bill, which passed, barely, 218-213.

Not only does such cooperation increase the prospect of passing legislation acceptable to both Republicans in Congress and President Barack Obama, but it tends to produce better legislation.

More significantly, the Senate action to extend the 50-year-old federal education program and revise key parts of President George W. Bush's No Child Left Behind initiative reflected a significant uptick this year in bipartisan cooperation between Democratic and Republican senators that has helped pass several significant measures.

"The congress is soaring over the very low bar set by its predecessors," said Jacob Grumet, president of the Bipartisan Policy Center, at a forum detailing its finding that lawmakers are making progress in fixing some institutional shortcomings. "We're actually starting to see some results."

To be sure, continuing high-profile partisan clashes on issues like Obamacare, the Iran nuclear agreement and federal spending mean that substantial gridlock continues to grip the two houses. This week's House refusal to even consider a bipartisan Senate bill offering a long-term solution to the transportation funding impasse illustrates how continuing GOP divisions still hamper the two bodies.

Often, the challenge remains to reconcile bipartisan Senate products with more partisan House versions, especially when Speaker John Boehner resists allowing action on measures backed by a bipartisan majority — but not most Republicans.

For example, a sticking point on the transportation bill was a Senate amendment extending the Export-Import Bank, a special target of conservatives that backers believe would get a bipartisan majority if Boehner allowed a House vote.

On the education bill, both versions would reduce federal control over states and localities, banning any requirement for states to use the controversial Common Core standards.

But there remains a potential barrier in a House provision permitting funds designed to help poor districts to follow students who transfer to schools in wealthier areas, undermining the very purpose of the original legislation. It also makes it easier for parents to opt out of standardized tests, limits requirements for state matching of federal school funds and caps federal spending.

"Their bill represents an unacceptable partisan path, while ours represents a carefully negotiated compromise," said Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., who crafted the measure with Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., the chairman of the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions.

"This gives us about 80 percent of what we want," Alexander said. "If you vote 'no,' we fix nothing."

As part of the compromise, senators voted on an amendment that would have restored the House provision allowing federal funds to follow students to wealthier areas. It lost, 51-45.

Similarly, on the transportation bill, Majority Leader Mitch McConnell allowed a vote on repealing Obamacare, which failed, but still failed to mollify a small band of conservatives led by Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, who opposed including the Export-Import Bank extension.

In other signs of progress, the Bipartisan Policy Center noted that, again led by the Senate, lawmakers have spent more days in session and considered more amendments, while committees have approved more legislation. Differences between House and Senate budget resolutions were actually hammered out in the first Senate-House Conference Committee in the last five sessions.

Meanwhile, another bipartisan measure is likely headed for early Senate consideration: a complex toxic chemical regulatory bill developed by Sens. Tom Udall, D-N.M., and David Vitter, R-La.

Earlier this year, Congress passed bipartisan measures setting terms for considering the Iran nuclear agreement and extending Medicare-related programs for doctors' payments and children's health programs. And the House recently passed a bipartisan bill to speed federal review of new medical treatments and devices.

On a negative note, another Sept. 30 budget impasse looms with no sign lawmakers can repeat the two-year bipartisan agreement negotiated in 2013 by Sen. Murray and Rep. Paul Ryan, R-Wis.

Still, some bipartisanship on Capitol Hill is a lot better than none.

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GUEST VIEW

Goodell calls right play on Brady

San Antonio Express-News

You may have missed it on the highlight reel, perhaps because it never made the highlight reel.

But for sports fans who prize honor and integrity, it was the play of the week.

Roger Goodell registered one of the most satisfying sacks in recent memory, a neat trick for someone who wears a business suit, not a football uniform.

The NFL commissioner upheld the four-game suspension levied against New England quarterback Tom Brady for his alleged role in a scheme to deflate footballs in the AFC championship game against Indianapolis last winter.

In its investigation of "Deflategate," the NFL uncovered a plot that seems just as nefarious, if not more so: Goodell said he upheld the decision, at least partly, because Brady instructed an assistant to destroy a cellphone that may have contained compromising communications.

"He did so even though he was aware that the investigation had requested access to text messages and other electronic information that had been stored on that phone," Goodell said in his decision.

As with the original "Gate" — Watergate — it seems that the cover-up may have been more damning than the crime itself. The crime? It appears almost inconsequential, particularly in proportion to the outrage it sparked across the sports landscape.

Brady allegedly ordered assistants to deflate the footballs in the Indianapolis game. The deflated balls provided a better grip, and Brady wanted every advantage he could get, according to the allegations. The Patriots won, 45-7.

"At no time was there any intent whatsoever to try to compromise the integrity of the game or to gain an advantage," New England head coach Bill Belichick said.

Maybe not. But Goodell did the right thing. Sports rules should be inviolate, stronger than any attempt to undermine them.

The Patriots went on to win the Super Bowl. They kept the trophy, but they lost something in the bargain — the smugness that has characterized this franchise for decades. The NFL community is smiling.

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Conservatives hold Boehner hostage

■ What the House hasn't been able to do has everything to do with the right



DANA MILBANK
Washington Post Writers Group

For the first time in 105 years, a speaker of the House is the target of what parliamentarians call a "motion to vacate the chair" — and what other people might call an attempt to throw the speaker out on his ear.

But John Boehner greeted this unwelcome status Wednesday with studied sangfroid.

"Listen," Boehner said in an afternoon news conference when asked by Chad Pergram of Fox News how he would put down the insurrection. "You've got a member here and a member there who are off the reservation. No big deal."

So, asked Jennifer Steinhauer of The New York Times, would he hold a vote on the resolution just to prove that he has support?

"Uh, listen. This is one member, all right?" he replied. "I've got broad support amongst my colleagues, and — and, frankly, it isn't even deserving of a vote."

Had he spoken with Rep. Mark Meadows, the North Carolina Republican who filed the no-confidence resolution Tuesday?

"I've not," Boehner said with nonchalance. "Why?"

It was a cool performance by a man who usually is a wellspring of emotion. New footage, to be broadcast next week, shows him choking up and crying — in an interview with the Golf Channel.

But maybe the resolution really isn't a big deal. The motion, in the highly unlikely event it were adopted, would declare the office of the House speaker "vacant." But, in a sense, the office of the speaker already is pretty much vacant. Boehner is in charge, but only nominally. He is unable to move legislation and is rendered powerless by his struggles to placate about 50 conservative holdouts, including Meadows.

The conservatives have blocked action on big items such as immigration, while embarrassing GOP leaders by holding out for pet causes such as the recent attempt to defend the Confederate flag. On education, the Export-Import Bank and other pieces of legislation, conservative hard-liners have forced Boehner to pull bills from the floor or postpone their consideration. On Wednesday, the majority opted to begin the August recess early rather than take action on a long-term highway bill that has bipartisan support in the Senate.

Even if the House acts on the Meadows resolution, there's no reason to think it would get the support of more than the two dozen Republicans (including Meadows) who opposed Boehner's election in January. But it seems to have stung Boehner and his leadership team.

"People are stunned. People are angry that somebody would pull this stunt," Rep. Greg Walden, R-Ore., chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee, told Pergram. "I thought we had gotten past all of this. It seems odd and bizarre."

If Walden thinks this is bizarre, he should wait until the fall, when Boehner will have to get Senate agreement and President Obama's signature on a full slate of issues, including the highway and education bills, spending bills and many more. Boehner, at his nothing-to-see-here news conference, breezily predicted "smooth sailing" in the fall.

But Andy Taylor of the Associated Press noted that Boehner, in order to get these bills enacted, will need to make compromises that are "going to make your right flank unhappy and test you again like you've been tested by this one member."

"Legislating is hard work," the speaker said.

Yes, and Boehner is making it harder by attempting the futile strategy of governing with only Republican votes. This puts him on the fool's errand of trying to satisfy ideologues such as Meadows, a founding member of the three-dozen-strong House Freedom Caucus, which split from the conservative Republican Study Committee because it found that caucus insufficiently doctrinaire.

If Boehner were instead to try a more bipartisan approach, he would further infuriate the Meadows crowd, but he would get things done. And Democrats have previously indicated they would help Boehner keep the speakership if conservatives were to stage a coup.

Meadows, who had been punished and forgiven for earlier defiance of leadership, inadvertently showed why Boehner is bound to fail if he continues to woo the far right. In the first clause of his anti-Boehner resolution, Meadows writes that Boehner "has endeavored to consolidate power and centralize decision-making." But the second clause says that Boehner "has, through inaction, caused the power of Congress to atrophy."

The second accusation, about congressional atrophy, is certainly true, but that's a direct result of Boehner's failure to consolidate power — because he's being held hostage by the likes of Meadows.

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From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



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MAINE

Ex-President George HW Bush tweets about fall, neck injury

KENNEBUNKPORT — Former President George H.W. Bush is showing he has a sense of humor about falling at his Maine summer home and fracturing a bone in his neck.

The 91-year-old tweeted a smiling photo showing him in a neck brace and giving two thumbs up Thursday. He told his followers, "Who knew jumping out of planes was safer than getting out of bed?" He also gives thanks for the "kind get-well messages" he's received.

The 41st president survived bailing out of his torpedo bomber when it was shot down in World War II and has skydived several times since then, including on his 90th birthday.

Bush took a tumble on July 15 at his Kennebunkport home. Doctors are letting the fractured vertebra heal on its own over the next few months.

During the winter Bush lives in Houston.

ILLINOIS

State Sen. Tom Cullerton won't run for Congress

SPRINGFIELD — Illinois state Sen. Tom Cullerton said he's decided not to run for Congress to replace Democratic U.S. Rep. Tammy Duckworth.

Cullerton is a first-term Democratic senator from Villa Park. He told the (Arlington Heights) Daily Herald that he wants to focus on running for re-election to the Illinois Senate. Duckworth is leaving the 8th Congressional District seat to run for U.S. Senate.

Cullerton said he doesn't regret considering a move up. He says "the opportunity for a congressional seat doesn't come along very often."

Perry dials back Christian appeal in Iowa, cites job record

By Will Weissert
Associated Press

CLEAR LAKE, Iowa — Rick Perry bragged to an Iowa barbecue crowd about the strong economy back in Texas, drew laughs comparing President Barack Obama to Jimmy Carter and won applause vowing to secure the U.S.-Mexico border. But in a state where evangelicals wield political influence, he didn't mention religion until 25 minutes into his address, and only then when asked about it.

"Nothing against golf, but on Sunday morning, you're not going to see me at the golf course," Perry quipped about his unwavering church attendance.

The former Texas governor's devout Christian beliefs were a centerpiece of his short-lived 2012 White House bid but are an afterthought in his second-chance campaign across Iowa.

While Republican rivals Mike Huckabee, Rick Santorum and Ted Cruz are pushing hard to mobilize the conservative evangelical vote, Perry prefers to trumpet his 14 years of executive experience leading the second most populous state. In a field with few military veterans, he also speaks about his five years in the Air Force.

Evangelicals helped catapult Santorum to a 2012 Iowa caucus win and had spurred Huckabee to an Iowa victory four years earlier. Perry's super PACs, though, are broadcasting TV commercials in Iowa focused on security at the far-away border and Perry's cotton farm upbringing — not on God.

Perry said his faith is as important as ever; he just doesn't need to talk about it as much while campaigning.

"Nothing's changed between me and the Lord," he said between campaign stops. "I'm still planning on going to heaven." He added: "I'm a different candidate, but I'm still the same person at my core."



Associated Press

Republican presidential candidate former Texas Gov. Rick Perry speaks to the media following a meet and greet with local residents in Fort Dodge, Iowa on July 13. Perry's devout Christian beliefs were a centerpiece of his short-lived 2012 White House bid but are an afterthought in his second-chance campaign across Iowa.

Perry was active in both the Methodist and Baptist churches growing up but since 2011 has attended a non-denominational evangelical megachurch in Austin. Last year, he was baptized anew by a pastor from that church in the same rural creek where Texas icon Sam Houston was baptized.

Perry's religious beliefs were on much broader display four years ago, when he briefly became a presidential front-runner before his campaign flamed out.

A week before entering the 2012 race, Perry headlined "The Response," a seven-hour prayer meeting at a Houston football stadium where he declared before 30,000 believers: "Father, our heart breaks for America. We have forgotten who made us, who protects us, who blesses us."

Another signature moment of his first presidential bid was a television ad played heavily in Iowa in which Perry proclaimed "I'm not ashamed to admit I'm a Christian."

But that all-out appeal to evangelicals fizzled. This time, Perry barely mentions Christianity in his stump speech. Although he's frequently asked about his faith, his responses are usually limited to saying he opposes the Supreme Court's decision legalizing gay marriage and that, as president, he'd protect religious freedom.

That wasn't enough for Sharon Elling, who was among those who filled nearly every seat when Perry visited a brew pub and cafe in Hampton, population about 4,000. She asked Perry whether he would defend businesses' right to refuse serving gay couples for religious reasons. He responded by panning the high court's gay marriage ruling, which struck her as tepid.

"I wish he'd spoken more about that," said Elling, a 71-year-old retiree. "I know that would be politically a little bit dicey. But we need some people who aren't afraid and will voice that position."

Steve Scheffler, president of the Iowa Faith and Freedom Coalition, said Perry's Christian beliefs can still be present in the campaign even if they aren't as visible.

"I don't think it's one or the other," Scheffler said. "Even if you're campaigning on your executive experience and policies, your faith drives the decisions in your life."

Cruz, another Texan, is focusing much more on evangelical support, though his advisers won't say whether he's trying to fill a void in the courtship of religious conservatives opened by Perry. The senator kicked off his campaign at Liberty University, founded by the late Rev. Jerry Falwell, and publicly embraces his Southern Baptist faith.

"I would say Ted Cruz is trying to out-Huckabee Huckabee, and I think he's actually doing a good job," said David Lane, a California-based evangelical who has organized pastors across the country to be more politically active. A former Arkansas governor, Huckabee is also an ordained Southern Baptist minister.

Perry's playing down of his faith may widen his appeal with Iowa voters who think there is too much talk about religion in politics.

"I remember him speaking about his faith before and he didn't do well," said Wynn Touney, a 75-year-old retiree who met Perry in 2011 and then again at a recent event in Fort Dodge, about 90 miles southwest of Clear Lake. "It's nice to hear what else is on his mind."

House speaker protested by flag supporters at Miss. Fair

By Emily Wagster Pettus
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA, Miss. — About two dozen people who want to keep the Confederate battle emblem on the Mississippi flag held the banner in silent protest Thursday as Republican state House Speaker Philip Gunn spoke at the Neshoba County Fair.

The fair is one of the year's largest political gatherings, and Gunn's speech was his biggest public appearance since late June, when he said after the Charleston church massacre that the Confederate symbol is divisive and Mississippi should design a new state flag that would unify people.

"I see the makings of a Philip Gunn fan club," Gunn joked as he looked toward the protesters who made up a small share of the audience under a large pavilion.

Then, in a more serious tone, he added: "We don't always agree, and that's the beauty of our country."

By the end of Gunn's speech, when he was denouncing the U.S. Supreme Court decision that legalized same-sex marriage nationwide, some of the people holding the flags were applauding for him.

"I don't care what the Supreme Court says. Marriage will always be between one man and one woman in holy matrimony," said Gunn, an attorney and lay leader of a Baptist church in Clinton.

Republican Gov. Phil Bryant and four candidates who are trying to unseat him also spoke Thursday.

Bryant, who's seeking a second term, said Mississippi is thriving under his leadership. He said he will push for some sort of tax cut next year, and he expects critics to bash him.

"But it's your money," Bryant told the crowd. "You earned it."

Vicki Slater, an attorney who's one of three Democrats running for governor, said Bryant has failed the state in education, health care and economic development.

Property Tax **Form 50-212**

Notice of Effective Tax Rate

2015 Property Tax Rates in Midland County Hospital District

This notice concerns 2015 property tax rates for Midland County Hospital District. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per $100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	$18,756,051.00
Last year's debt taxes	$6,806,631.00
Last year's total taxes	$25,562,682.00
Last year's tax base	$21,550,910,424.00
Last year's total tax rate	$0.11830/$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	$25,562,682.00
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	$21,330,999,342.00
= This year's effective tax rate (Maximum rate unless taxing unit publishes notices and holds hearings.)	0.119840/$100

In the first year a hospital district collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, it must insert the following lines unless its first adjustment was made last year:

– Sales tax adjustment rate	$0.00/$100
= Effective tax rate	$0.00/$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for any transferred function, tax increment financing, state criminal justice mandate, and/or enhanced indigent health care expenditures)	$18,784,953.00
+ This year's adjusted tax base	$21,330,999,342.00
= This year's effective operating rate	$0.088064/$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	$ 0.095109/$100
+ This year's debt rate	$0.031330/$100
= This year's total rollback rate	$0.126439/$100

A hospital district that collects the additional sales tax to reduce property taxes, including one that collects the tax for the first time this year, must insert the following lines:

– Sales tax adjustment rate	$0.000000/$100
= Rollback tax rate	$0.000000/$100

For a taxing unit with additional rollback rate for pollution control, insert the following lines:

+ Additional rollback rate for pollution control	$0.000000/$100
= Rollback tax rate	$0.000000/$100

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If Midland County Hospital District adopts a 2015 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of $0.119840 per $100 of value, taxes would increase compared to 2014 taxes by $1,443,981.

Schedule A – Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the Midland County Hospital District's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Maintenance and Operations	$14,743,070

Schedule B – 2016 Debt Service

Midland County Hospital District plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment To Be Paid From Property Taxes	Interest To Be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts To Be Paid	Total Payment
General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009A	$2,605,000	$201,875	$ -	$2,806,875
General Obligation Bonds, Series 2009B	$ -	$6,175,660	$ -	$6,175,660
Total Debt Services	$2,605,000	$6,377,535	$ -	$8,982,535

Total required for 2016 debt service	$8,982,535
- Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A	$ -
Amount (if any) paid from other resources	$2,005,854
- Excess collections last year	$74,882
= Total to be paid from taxes in 2016	$6,901,799
+ Amount added in anticipation that the until will collect only 98% of its taxes in 2016	$140,853
= Total Debt Levy	$7,042,652

Schedule C – Expected Revenue from Additional Sales Tax
—Not Applicable to Midland County Hospital District

Schedule D – State Criminal Justice Mandate (for counties)
—Not Applicable to Midland County Hospital District

Schedule E – Transfer of Department, Function or Activity
—Not Applicable to Midland County Hospital District

Schedule F – Enhance Indigent Health Care Expenditures
—Not Applicable to Midland County Hospital District

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READERS' CHOICE AWARDS 2015 MRT BRONZE

Sneak Preview

BEST LIQUOR STORE

Bill's Bottle Shop



Bill's Bottle Shop, an established liquor store with a loyal customer base and easily accessible location, earned the Bronze Award for Best Liquor Store.

In business for close to 30 years, the store is housed in a former filling station on Midland Drive. The building has been converted to a liquor store that sells spirits, beer, wines and festive non-alcoholic beverages, many of them made in Texas.

Winning the Bronze Award comes from customer service and know-your-name friendliness, said Manager Jo Rich.

"We try to compete as much possible on price and go out of our way to get products," she said. "If I don't have it in stock, I'll see if I can get it for them."

Also, creating a convenient shopping environment is the presence of a drive-up window.

"It makes it easy for people who can't come in," Rich explained.

Bill's Bottle Shop is locally owned by William Sanders. The business is a member of the Midland Chamber of Commerce.

"We want to thank all of our customers who have stayed with us," Rich said. "I am thankful for those customers."

Many of them are familiar to her. They call Jo by name and she knows the product and size they prefer. However, she is clear that the legal age to enter the bottle shop is 21 unless accompanied by an adult guardian, and emphasized that alcohol and cigarette customers, who must also be 21, are asked for age identification at both the drive-up window and in the shop.

The store is packed with liquor options such as Bacardi Rum and Jack Daniels, fine wine and beer that span the price, taste and size range. What makes a trip inside fun is the selection of Lone Star products reminding shoppers good drinks are bottled in their own state.

"We are trying to carry all the Texas products that we know of," Rich said.

Their names are old friends from Texas geography: Llano, Pedernales, Red River. Drinks are crafted in iconic Texas cities: San Antonio, Fort Worth and Austin. There's a product for every drinker: Pedernales and



Rahr & Sons beers, Llano wines, Red River Texas Bourbon Whiskey.

Top shelf brands are literally on the top display shelves of Bill's Bottle Shop. Iconic names like the original Crown Royal, a blended Canadian whiskey in the distinctive purple bag, and its unique blends, Maple, Black, Reserve and Extra Rare are available.

American whiskeys include Jack Daniels, distilled in Tennessee, and Maker's Mark bottled with the distinctive red wax seal in Kentucky.

Glenlivet Scotch whiskey aged 12-, 18- and 21-years old, shares the top shelf with Johnny Walker Black, Johnny Walker Double Black, Johnny Walker Platinum and Johnny Walker Blue. Other quality Scotch brands include Chivas Regal, Grand Old Parr, Talisker, Glenfiddich, Caol Ila, Macallan, Singleton and Glenmorangie.

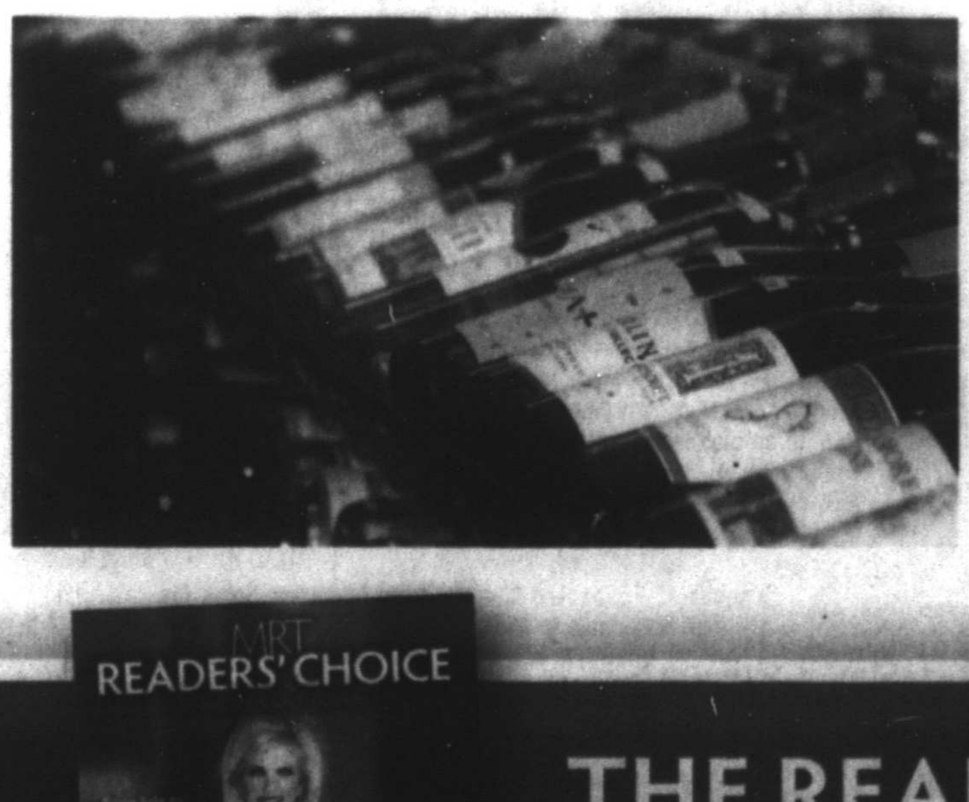
New on hand is Manuscript Cellars wine from California.

Domestic and imported beers may be purchased chilled or from the shelf. Bud and Coors are cold enough to slake one's thirst, while Stella Artois and Leffe from Belgium are ready for your home refrigerator.

Bill's Bottle Shop also stocks non-alcoholic beer, Busch's NA, non-alcoholic wine Fre in white Zinfandel and merlot. Quinceanera, a non-alcoholic bubbly, is suitable for minors, Rich said.

She urged shoppers to ask for a price match on products from other outlets.

"We do try to match price at other liquor stores if we can. Sometimes I can't, we try to match prices when we can," Rich said.



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THIS WEEK

THURSDAY



AN EVENING WITH: Ben Crenshaw to speak at annual fundraiser for Centers for Chidlren and Families.

COMING SOON



SUMMER LOVIN': 'Grease' themed party at Hacienda Event Center benefits Senior Link Midland.



GOLF TO HONOR: Fourth annual golf tournament benefiting the Patrick Wayland Memorial Scholarship Fund planned at Hogan Park.

See more calendar items on **Page 6B**.

GOOD NEIGHBORS



BLOOD DRIVE: Great American Cookie and Luciano Pizza are teaming with Midland Park Mall to host a blood drive benefiting United Blood Services. The Mobile Blood Drive Bus will be accepting donations in the mall parking lot near the food court 1-4 p.m. Saturday.

HABITAT HOUSE: Employees from Stewart Title Company will volunteer Aug. 8 at a Habitat house.

THIS WEEK

SCHOOL SUPPLIES: Casa de Amigos' is holding its annual School Supply Drive for students in kindergarten through high school. Items needed include backpacks; No. 2 pencils; wide-ruled notebooks; blue, black and red pens; compasses; calculators; index cards; dividers; markers; supply boxes; erasers; scissors; pocket folders; map colors; white glue; and crayons. Call 682-9701.

MEALS ON WHEELS: Volunteers are needed this summer for the Meals on Wheels program. Call 689-6693.



Photo courtesy Midland Need to Read

Virginia Conner teaches an intermediate ESL class at the Midland Need to Read Literacy House.

NEED TO READ TURNS 30

Organization enriches lives through adult literacy

By Jessica Smith
Midland Need to Read

About one in three adults in the U.S. cannot read this sentence, according to National Assessment of Adult Literacy in 2003. If this statistic holds true in our community, one-third of Midland adults have difficulty reading the newspaper or their children's homework, communicating in English, working in mathematics or using a computer or smartphone. For the past 30 years, Midland Need to Read has sought to answer the challenge of adult literacy by providing services to those seeking to enhance their lives through literacy.

The MN2R adult literacy program is unique. It provides individualized tutoring for adults in both one-to-one and small class settings, covering three main branches of literacy — GED preparation, English as a second language and basic literacy skills (reading, writing, mathematics, computers, etc.). Students are tutored by professionally trained tutors and staff. Classes and tutor pairs have the opportunity to meet at the MN2R Literacy House or at about 50 off-site locations provided by community partners, such as the Midland County Public Library and Mardel. The organization also partners with other agencies — such as Midland College Cogdell Learning Center — The Genesis Center and Manor Park, to further provide tutoring services to Midland County adults. Students and volunteer tutors at every location are completely supported by the MN2R staff and supplied with anything they might need for the students to reach their literacy goals.

■ SPEAKING OUT

Students and tutors alike are affected personally by the services provided by Midland Need to Read. Belen, an MN2R student working toward attaining her GED, said, "the teachers are very patient; they explain everything very well. You're free to ask questions, which raises your confidence. I feel at home here; it's like my family." She added, "From a 1 to 10, (the program) is a 10! They have everything you need."

Susan Reed, a volunteer tutor since 2011, said, "I wasn't aware of the gravity of the issue of adult literacy, and my goal is to help as much as I can. I think everyone has a skill they can offer and share with others, and Midland Need to Read is a great place to do that!"

One student's life has been forever changed by her success at MN2R. Originally from Kazakhstan, Ulpan enrolled with MN2R in April 2014 after her family transferred to Midland. At that time, Ulpan knew little English. She was shy, scared to speak and did not understand others in the community. When it was time to enroll her son in elementary school, she realized she needed to learn English. Ulpan began her literacy journey through classes at the Literacy House, eventually taking MN2R classes at the Midland College Cogdell Learning Center. During this time, Ulpan also worked with a tutor in a one-to-one setting, practicing English in a functional and comfortable way through reading, writing and conversation.

Please see **READ**/6B

Rock the Desert to honor military families at festival

By Megan Lea Buck
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Three local military families will get a glimpse behind the music as they're treated to VIP access to bands at Rock the Desert. The 16th annual Christian music festival will honor active-duty military personnel and veterans this year. One local military family will be honored on each day of the festival, and free festival tickets will be available to enlisted military and veterans through vettix.org.

"We decided to tie it in with a military theme because our theme this year is Proof of Love, and the verse that we have to go with the festival is John 3:16, and that is the ultimate proof of God's love for us. People serve in the military to prove that they love our country," said Allison Tull, office manager for Rock the Desert.

Each day of the festival, one local military family will be honored with VIP treatment.

"They'll get to eat with the bands and meet whoever they want to," Tull said. "We will have a moment for them each day on stage before the headliner comes on."

RTD worked with the nonprofit Honor Our Troops (HOT) to select local families who would be interested in attending the festival. Honorees include the families of David Perez, Marco Barreno, Jeremiah Jurado and his father Rudy Jurado.

Fireworks by Sky Wonder Pyrotechnics are planned for 10 p.m. the final night of the festival during headliner Lecrae's act.

"We hope to have all three (military families) back Saturday for the fireworks," Tull said.

The military theme will extend

Please see **HONOR**/6B



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Minding money

Noah Aguero counts out his money for a book to "buy" from Adrian Barrera at The Book Worm store Wednesday. Children at Casa de Amigos Summer Literacy Camp shop with "Casa bucks" earned through the program with United Way to teach financial literacy to children.

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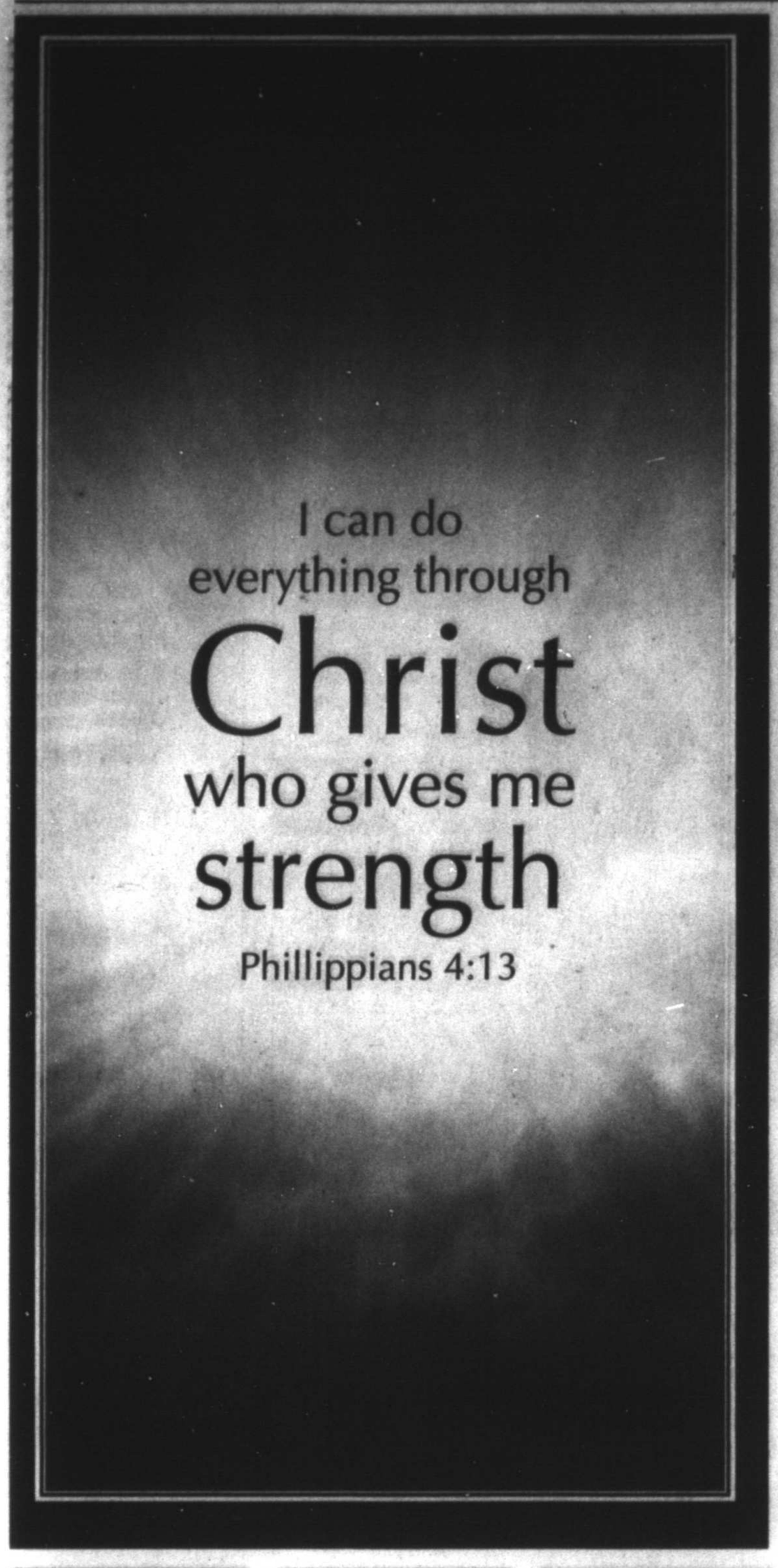

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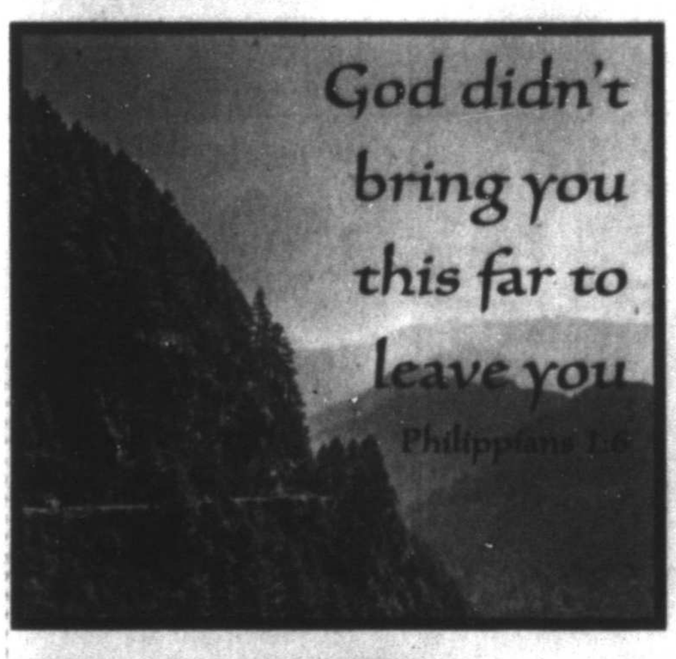

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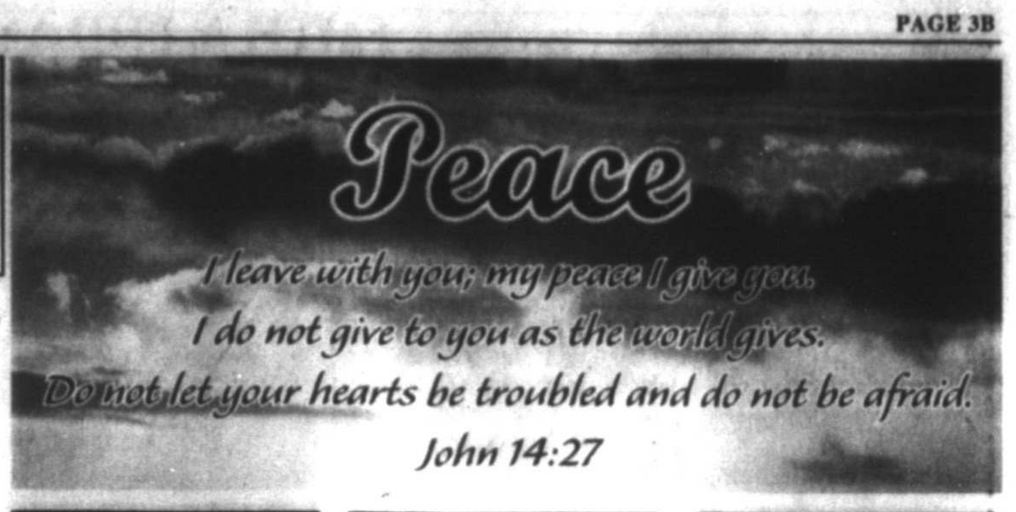

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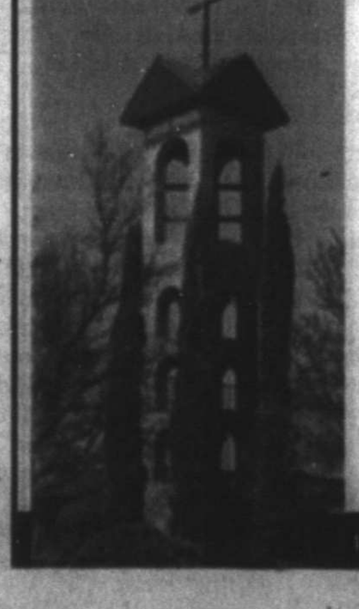

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Obituaries



Leonel Galindo

Leonel Galindo, 24 years old, of Midland, Texas, passed away on July 27, 2015.

The family will receive friends on Friday, July 31, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch at 3800 N Big Spring. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, August 1, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

Leonel was born on October 18, 1990 in Midland, Texas to Angelica Hernandez. He was employed by Pioneer Natural Resources. He was outgoing and always loved to meet new people. He never failed to have a smile on his face. He was so full of life and love and was very kind-hearted. He was never afraid to speak his mind and he touched the hearts of everyone he crossed paths with. His dream was to go back to school and play football. He loved four wheeling, dancing, playing cards, and watching his comedy movies and sports. He was always blasting his stereo and enjoyed his music. He also loved spending time with family and friends.

Leonel is survived by his son, Julian of Great Bend; daughter, Adalee of Great Bend; wife, Tailea; mother, Angelica Hernandez; stepfather, Mario Urias; brother, Ricky Galindo (Becky); nephews, Ricky, Jr. and Zayne; brother, Gustavo Galindo (Cory); niece, Heidi; grandparents, Chito and Manuela Hernandez of Midland; and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

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

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Robert "Bob" James Spaw

Robert "Bob" James Spaw, age 76 of Seguin, passed away on July 27, 2015. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, August 1, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Tres Hewell Mortuary Chapel with Rev. Jim Price officiating. Private interment will be held at a later date. Bob was born on July 19, 1939 in Midland, Texas to Beverly Hudson, Sr. and Yuva Beatrice (Wood) Spaw. Bob graduated from Texas Tech University in 1961 with a BA in business and a minor in marketing. He then went to work for several years in textiles for several companies, among them Levi Strauss. He later worked for the City of Seguin at Max Starke Park Golf Club. An avid news junkie, Bob read the newspaper cover to cover daily while listening to sports on WOAI and watching the news. Bob thoroughly enjoyed his retired years as he could often be found sitting at the corner stool with a cold beer in his hand at the Country Cabaret, or at the coast. Bob is preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his children Rick Spaw and wife Trudy, Scott Spaw and wife Teresa, Donna Spaw-Mahan and husband Steven; grandchildren, Lisa Wiggins and husband Brandon, Josh Spaw and wife Alyssa, Kyler Spaw, William "Billy" Hoschler and wife Christina, Tyray Hoschler, Jonathan Lisenbe and wife Jessica, Jordan Lisenbe,, Jessica Spaw, Jillian Spaw; great-grandchildren, Preslee Wiggins, Kaden Spaw, Case Hoschler; brother B.H. Spaw Jr., and wife Pat; nieces, Shelia Schoolcraft, Shara Wright, Deanne Edwards.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Guadalupe Regional Hospice Services, 1215 East Court Street, Seguin, TX 78155 or the National Kidney Foundation, Inc., 30 East 33rd Street, New York, NY 10016

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Rosemarie Welborn

Rosemarie Welborn, 84, of Midland, passed away on Wednesday, July 29, 2015 in Midland. Graveside services will be on Friday, July 31, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Serenity Memorial Gardens in Midland.

Rosemarie was born on January 1, 1931 in Chicago, IL. to Russell and Bernadine Pace. She moved to Houston, Texas in 1957 where she met and later married Bobby Welborn in 1963. Together they made their life and home in Houston until he preceded her in death in Feb 2001. In August 2001, she moved to Midland to be near her son, Bobby. She loved to play Texas Hold 'Em and the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary #19, for whom she served as the Chaplain and the Chair of the Bingo Committee.

Rosemarie was a retiree of Exxon Mobil.

She is survived by her son, Bobby and wife, Terri Welborn; grandson, Matthew Jeffrey Welborn and wife, Jessica.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be made to the John Wayne Cancer Foundation, P.O. Box 1779, Newport Beach, CA. 92659, Hospice Midland, P.O. Box 2621, Midland, TX. 79702, or St. Stephen's Catholic Church, 4601 Neely AVE., Midland, TX 79707.

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

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

Death Notices

Robert Walton Haislip

Robert Walton Haislip, 92, of Midland passed away on Thursday, July 30, 2015. Memorial services will be held on Saturday, August 1, 2015 at 11:00am at First United Methodist Church of Stanton.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Haislip; children, Patricia, Walt, Mindy, and Tommy; and his extended family.

Dick Bass, Texas oilman who was first to scale 'seven summits,' dies at 85

By Steve Chawkins
Los Angeles Times

Dick Bass, a poetry-spouting Texas oilman who was the first climber to scale the highest peak on each of the seven continents and for a time was the oldest to top Mount Everest, has died. He was 85.

Bass died Sunday at his home in Dallas. He had pulmonary fibrosis, according to a statement from Snowbird, the Utah ski resort he started in 1971 and owned until 2014.

At various times in his career, he also was a part-owner of ski areas in Vail and Aspen. He owned ranches in Texas and coal mines in Alaska. He grew up around the oil fields of Oklahoma, where his father, Harry W. Bass, developed portable drilling rigs and became one of the largest natural-gas processors in the U.S.

"I chose my father very carefully," Bass later said. "He gave me the perfect launching pad."

Often described as a larger-than-life character, Bass blended relentless enthusiasm and profound optimism with operatic intentions and raw guts.

"He is an honest, likable man haunted by a need to keep proving himself," the Boston Globe said in 2000. "He will bring himself to tears talking about the value of integrity and the gift of life."

In an interview with the Los Angeles Times, David Breashears, one of the world's top climbers and the first American to ascend Everest twice, described Bass as "a poet, a visionary and a mountaineer with the heart of a lion."

An active skier and tennis player, Bass never trained for his grueling climbs.

"I was befuddled by his astonishing ability to perform at high altitude," said Breashears, who accompanied Bass at Everest. "I had to tell myself I wasn't imagining it. It made no sense to me."

Bass, who said he "never planned to climb anything, except out of bed in the morning," was 51 when he started his record-setting expeditions. He was 55 when he bagged Everest on April 30, 1985, having already climbed Aconcagua, in South America; Denali, in Alaska; Elbrus, in Russia; Kilimanjaro, in Africa; Kosciuszko, in Australia; and Vinson Massif, in Antarctica.

Frank Wells, his main climbing partner, succeeded on all of the peaks but Everest. Wells, who quit his job as president of Warner Bros. Studio for the grand effort, also was a novice.

"At first glance, I just thought they were a couple of dilettantes having a midlife crisis," said Rick Ridgeway, a renowned climber who was hired by the pair to organize and guide several of the treks.

After a little time with them, Ridgeway said, he changed his mind.

"They had hardly any chance of pulling it off, but they were going to do it with verve, vigor and no looking back. They became mentors to me; their example was a guide to what passion, commitment and tenacity can get you."

On Aconcagua, Bass stumbled in a hole, painfully shredded a leg muscle, and hobbled down 10,000 feet before Argentine soldiers on maneuvers loaded him onto a mule and led him 20 miles to a road. In one of Bass' three attempts on Everest, Marty Hoey, a tough female guide who had taught Bass some hard lessons on Denali, plunged 6,000 feet to her death. Her body was never found.

"That will be with me till the day I die," said Bass, who recruited her for his climbs when she was on the ski patrol at Snowbird. "I just admired her so much. I respected her so much."

At exhausting times, Bass would lift his party's spirit by breaking into verse. On Vinson Massif in Antarctica, the temperature was at least 40 degrees below zero, water in the canteens was frozen solid, and biting on a candy bar "was like chomping down on a bar of steel," Ridgeway wrote in "Seven Summits," a 1986 book he wrote with Bass and Wells.

"We were doing a little war dance, stomping our feet and swinging our arms. Then Bass got poetic:

"Talk of your cold, through the parka's fold, it stabbed like a driven nail ... "

It was a line from Robert W. Service's "The Cremation of Sam McGee," one of the Yukon bard's many sagas that Bass had memorized and would recite, unbidden, on the trail and in the tent.

When Bass and Ridgeway reached the top and wrapped each other in a bear-hug, Bass dipped into "Sam McGee" again:

"When our eyes we'd close, then the lashes froze, 'til sometimes we couldn't see ... "

Richard Bass was born in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on Dec. 21, 1929, and wanted to be a boys prep school teacher.

"I was going to be a Chips reincarnate," he told the publication Utah Business in 1991. "Did you ever see 'Dead Poets Society'? That was me. I was going to be that very thing."

Instead, he studied geology at Yale and did graduate work in petroleum engineering at the University of Texas. He served on a Navy aircraft carrier during the Korean War and had his first taste of climbing — though he always called himself "a high-altitude trekker" rather than a climber — at Mount Fuji in Japan.

In 1962, Bass was among the original investors in Vail. He and his brother Harry Jr. later developed the nearby Beaver Creek ski resort.

Developing Snowbird, he came close to bankruptcy a number of times. After an around-the-world trip with his adult children, he realized that "I had really been hammered down — by bankers, by competitors, by environmental groups, by people with their hands in the cookie jar. Plus, I had a divorce thrown in there, too."

Physical achievement — whether on mountains, or running the original marathon route laid out by the ancient courier Phidippides, or swimming the Hellespont a la Lord Byron — was an antidote.

"Nobody thwarted me as I struggled up the mountainside," he wrote. "I had definite goals and I realized a tangible sense of accomplishment."

Over the years, Bass encountered his share of critics. In his popular book "Into Thin Air," author Jon Krakauer dismissively described Bass as a wealthy Texan who was "ushered to the top of Everest."

"Previously, Everest had by and large been the province of elite mountaineers," Krakauer wrote. "Bass' ascent changed all that."

Phil Powers, a mountaineer who is chief executive of the American Alpine Club, said Bass' well-publicized pursuit of the seven summits "launched a whole new world of adventure travel and a whole new business channel for guides."

He said the quest had a healthy ripple effect on people who weren't about to brave Antarctica but might be inspired to take a weekend hike.

Bass was blunter about his critics. "They resent some 55-year-old yahoo from Texas climbing these mountains they'd dreamed about. When I see guides now, they hug me because the seven summits made the mountain-guiding profession. It made them!"

Bass' first two marriages ended in divorce. He is survived by his wife, Alice, four children, and 13 grandchildren as well as five stepchildren and 11 step-grandchildren.

Bass' climbing partner Frank Wells became president of the Walt Disney Co. in 1984. He died in a helicopter crash 10 years later.

In his later years, Bass planned to return to Everest and reclaim his title as its oldest climber, which had since been surpassed. He never did, but he was active until his illness forced him into a wheelchair.

According to one widely circulated story, he was on a cross-country flight when, in his loquacious way, he deluged his seatmate for hours with details of his treks on all seven continents. As they were about to land, he realized he hadn't paused to ask his new friend anything about himself, his job, or even his name.

"That's OK," the man responded, extending his hand. "I'm Neil Armstrong."

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Ivan Moravec, pianist who specialized in Chopin, dies at 84

N.Y. Times News Service

Ivan Moravec, a Czech pianist who earned a reputation as one of the greatest interpreters of Chopin largely through recordings that had penetrated the Iron Curtain, died Monday in Prague. He was 84.

His death, in a hospital where he had been treated for pneumonia, was confirmed by Jan Hancil, rector of the Academy of Performing Arts in Prague, where Moravec taught.

Moravec, who studied in master classes with Arturo Benedetti Michelangeli, the Italian classical pianist, made his British debut in 1959 and his American one in 1962, after the state concert agency finally allowed him to visit the United States to record for the Connoisseur Society label.

In 1964, he was invited by the conductor George Szell to appear with the Cleveland Orchestra in New York, but the two quarreled over which piano he would play and how to interpret a Beethoven concerto. He did not appear in New York again for four years.

Under the communist government, the state-controlled concert agency only grudgingly promoted Moravec's work because he was not a party member. Still, his recordings were heard and in 1999, he became one of 72 musicians — and the only Czech — featured on the Philips Records collection "Great Pianists of the 20th Century."

In 2000, a decade after the Communist Party-led government was deposed, the new Czech government awarded him the Charles IV Prize for achievement in science, literature or the arts.

In the 1984 film "Amadeus," about the life of Mozart, Moravec can be heard playing part of Mozart's Piano Concerto in E flat.

"He is, in looks and style, not a heroic leader," Bernard Holland wrote in The New York Times in 1982 on the occasion of Moravec's first solo recital at Carnegie Hall. "Diffident, balding, 50-ish in appearance," he added, Moravec played "with a fastidiousness of detail and elegant sense of pianistic color that lend themselves more to quiet introspection than to a flamboyant hard sell."

Moravec traced his delicate style to a skating injury in his youth that left him weakened and ill and forced him to stop playing at 18 when the symptoms recurred. In 1954, however, they vanished as suddenly and mysteriously as they had appeared.

"Perhaps if I had been completely healthy," he said, "with muscles like a bull, my style would be absolutely different."

Moravec was born in Prague on Nov. 9, 1930. His father, a lawyer, loved opera, and his son's first musical memories were of standing at the piano turning the pages for him. He also recalled weeping over recordings by Enrico Caruso.

"It was an important education," Moravec once said, "because I think the human voice is the best and most sensitive musical instrument."

He began taking piano lessons at 7 and studied at the Prague Conservatory with Erna Grunfeld (niece of the Austrian pianist Alfred Grunfeld).

Survivors include Moravec's second wife, Zuzana Moracova; her son, Daniel Korte; a daughter, Iva Emmerova, with his first wife, who died; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Moravec valued recordings over live concerts, he explained in a 1998 interview with Symphony Australia, "as a very honest way to become known and to be compared" with other pianists, in part because fans are less influenced by an artist's physical appearance.

When classical music critics for the Times selected their favorite Chopin recordings in 2010 to celebrate the bicentennial of that composer's birth, Steve Smith chose Moravec's "Nocturnes" for its "extraordinary dynamic shading and gracious shaping of each gemlike work."

Mike Pyle, 76, captain of 9-0 Yale football team, dies

N.Y. Times News Service

Mike Pyle, the captain of Yale's last unbeaten and untied football team and of the 1963 NFL champion Chicago Bears, died at 76 on Wednesday in Highland Park, Illinois, after a decade-long battle with dementia, which his family believes may have resulted from the battering he took as an offensive lineman.

Pyle's wife, Candy, said the cause was traumatic brain hemorrhage. She said his brain had been sent to a Boston University center pursuing research into brain impairment linked to repeated head trauma.

"He played in the days when if you could count your fingers, you could go back into the game," Candy Pyle said, referring to blows to the head. Her husband knew of three specific concussions he had incurred, she said, two with the Bears and one at Yale.

Pyle, who died at an assisted living center, had received payments from a plan jointly administered by the NFL and the players' union that assists former players with medical expenses related to dementia.

The Bears selected Pyle in the seventh round of the 1961 draft after he won all-Ivy League honors as Yale's center in his junior season and as an offensive tackle in 1960, his senior year. Yale was 9-0 that year, its first perfect season in 37 years, and was co-recipient with Navy of the Lambert Trophy as the East's top team.

When Pyle arrived at his first Bears training camp, he was hefty enough, at 6 feet 3 inches and 250 pounds but had to prove that his Ivy roots did not make him too soft for pro football.

"They gave me a little needling about being a 'Yale boy,'" Pyle told Richard Whittingham for the oral history "Bears in Their Own Words" (1991). "They'd give me a little extra shot in practice, then they'd kid me. Eventually, they kind of said this guy's not a bad football player. He's standing up and taking it, so maybe he's not a Yale wimp."

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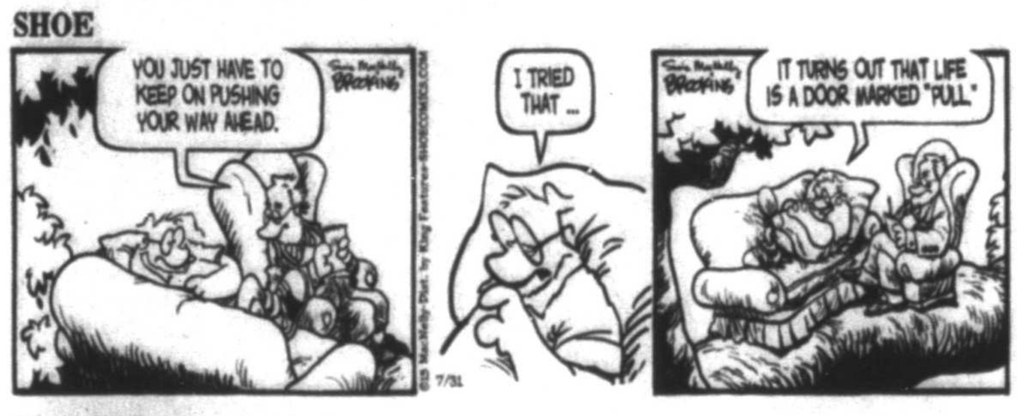

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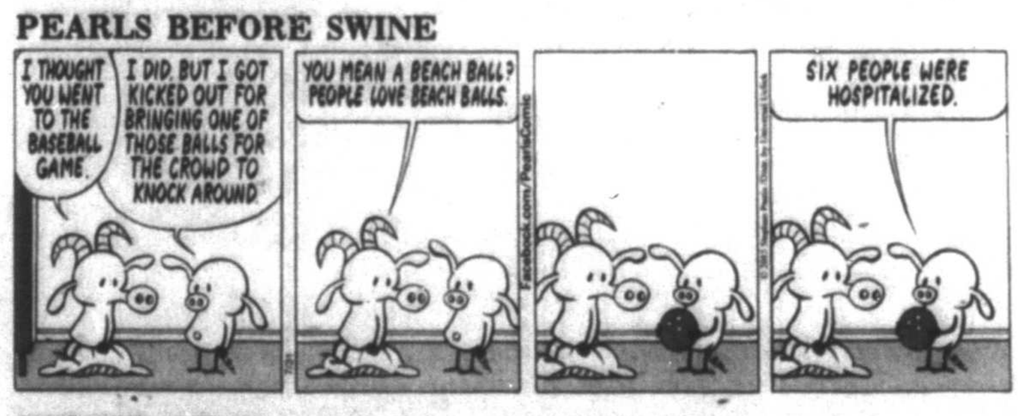

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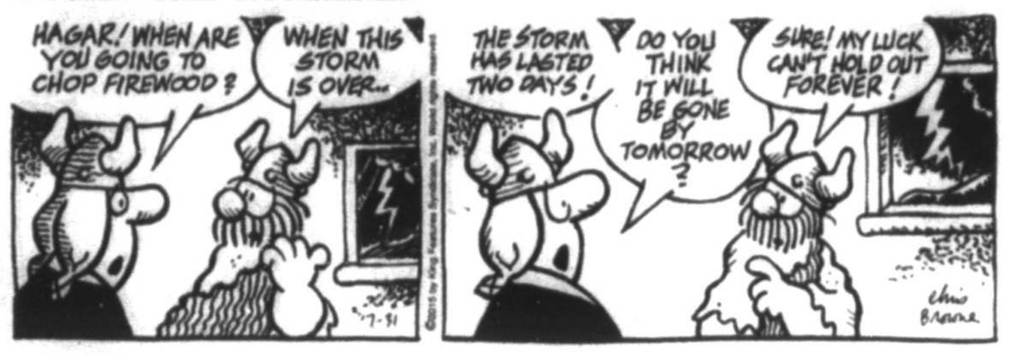

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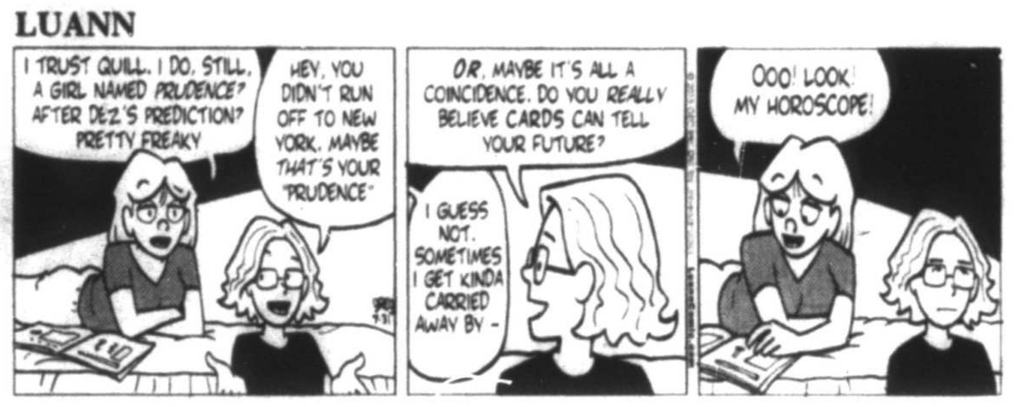

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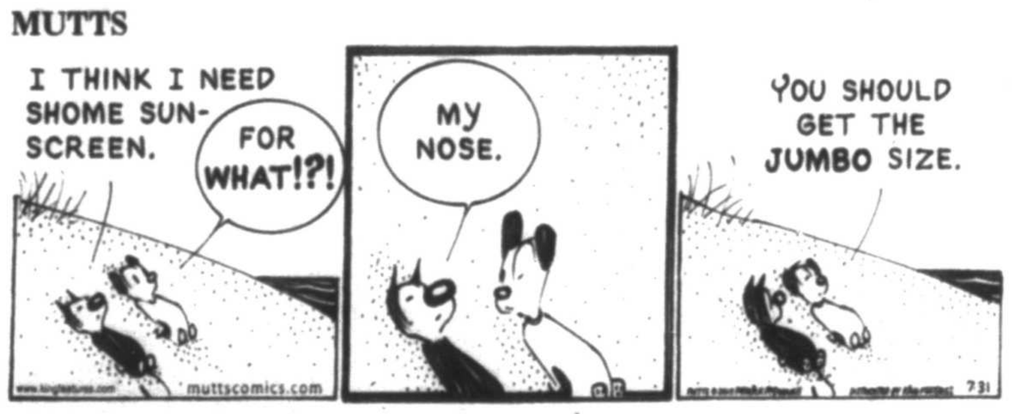

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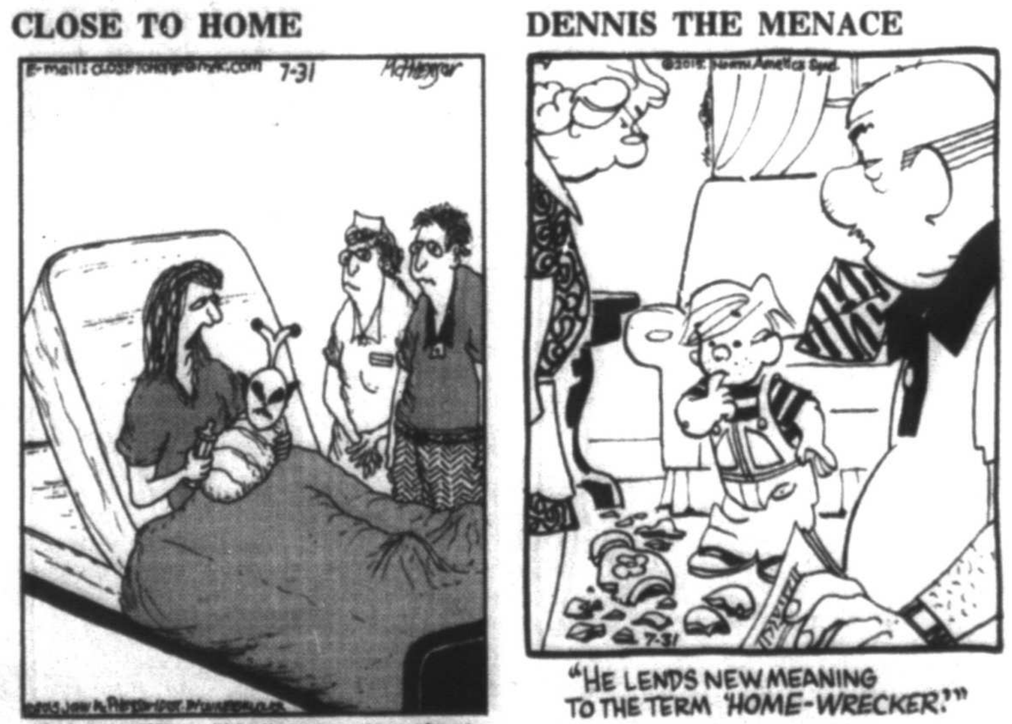

"Maybe NOW you'll believe my story about being sucked up into a spaceship that weekend I drove across Utah to visit my mom."

DENNIS THE MENACE

"HE LENDS NEW MEANING TO THE TERM 'HOME-WRECKER.'"

LOCKHORNS



"THIS IS LORETTA... MY AUTOCORRECT."

FAMILY CIRCUS



Midland Need to Read open house

Midland Need to Read (MN2R) is celebrating its 30th anniversary with an open House event 4-6 p.m. Thursday at the Literacy House located at 1709 W. Wall St. During this event, attendees will have the opportunity to tour the Literacy House, learn about MN2R services, enter a raffle drawing and donate elementary-aged children's books and school supplies for students. The Midland Chamber of Commerce will hold a ribbon cutting ceremony at 4:30 p.m. Sweg bags will be available for the first 150 guests, and Bernie's Italian Ice will provide refreshments. This event is free and open to the public.

READ

From 1B

Ulpan's family is now being transferred to Houston because of her husband's job. Once there, Ulpan hopes to connect with a local literacy organization, find a job and eventually attend college. To the staff and tutors at MN2R, she said, "Thank you to the people who helped me. I am so grateful for it. I'm not scared now! I will keep learning in Houston!"

Kristen Wagstrom, MN2R board member, explained how the organization has impacted Midland. "At first glance, MN2R's services may seem straightforward or basic — a literacy program for adults. However, the organization spends its open hours serving hundreds of students in myriad ways," she said. "Without the MN2R program, Midland would suffer. The average person has no idea how many people they see every day that are challenged by literacy. MN2R works to rectify this, educating and advocating for the people of Midland through intensive yet caring, transformative programming."

Jessica Smith is resource development director for Midland Need to Read.

HONOR

From 1B

to a 5K Run the Desert at 7:30 a.m. Aug. 8. Entry fee is $35 and includes a T-shirt, goodie bag and one ticket to the festival.

New to the list of RTD festivities this year is a Wednesday evening show at the skate park. Wolves at the Gate will perform at 6:30 p.m. after an appearance by skater Christian Hosoi. Gates open at 4 p.m.

"The festival hasn't really begun, so none of our food vendors or camping will be available," Tull said of the preshow. "You can either buy a ticket for the whole weekend or you can buy a ticket for that one night. You can do all of that onsite."

Rock the Desert's headliners are Thousand Foot Krutch on Thursday, For King & Country on Aug. 7 and Lacrae on Aug. 8. Other performers include Jimmy Needham, Sleeping Giant, Andy Mineo, DaTruth and Family Force Five. For the full lineup and to purchase tickets, go to rockthedesert.com.

Know before you go

- The skate park will be open throughout the festival with shows each evening. Skaters must sign a waiver to skate at the park. The kickoff show is $10 without a festival wristband.
- General admission tickets for the festival are $25. Individual act VIP viewing tickets are $50 and VIP packages range from $550 to $1,250. Tickets are available at rockthedesert.com.
- Camping/RV information is available at rockthedesert.com.
- RTD grounds are located at 2000 S. FM 1788.
- Bring: coolers, bottled water, blankets, lawn chairs, sunscreen
- Don't bring: pets, glass containers, firearms, alcoholic beverages, cigarettes, laser pointers, audio or video recording equipment.

Source: rockthedesert.com

Among the Middle East ruins, the rescue of Christians takes place



CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER
Washington Post Writers Group

Christianity, whose presence in the Middle East predates Islam's by 600 years, is about to be cleansed from the Middle East. Egyptian Copts may have found some respite under Abdel Fatah al-Sissi, but after their persecution under the previous Muslim Brotherhood government, they know how precarious their existence in 90 percent Muslim Egypt remains. Elsewhere, it's much worse. Twenty-one Copts were beheaded by the Islamic State affiliate in Libya for the crime of being Christian. In those large swaths of Syria and Iraq where the Islamic State rules, the consequences for Christians are terrible — enslavement, exile, torture, massacre, crucifixion.

Over the decades, many Middle Eastern Christians, seeing the rise of political Islam and the intensification of savage sectarian wars, have simply left. Lebanon's Christians, once more than half the population, are now estimated at about a third. The number of Christians under Palestinian Authority rule in the West Bank has dwindled — in Bethlehem, for example, dropping by half. (The exception, of course, is Israel, where Christians, Arab and non-Arab, enjoy not just protection but civil rights. Their numbers are increasing. But that's another story.)

Most endangered are the Christians of Syria. Four years ago they numbered about 1.1 million. By now 700,000 have fled. Many of those remaining in country are caught either under radical Islamist rule or in the crossfire between factions. As the larger Christian world looks on passively, their future, like the future of Middle Eastern Christianity writ large, will be determined by Iran, Hezbollah, the Assad dynasty, the Islamic State, the Nusra Front, various other local factions and by regional powers seeking advantage.

Meanwhile, on a more limited scale, there are things that can be done. Three weeks ago, for example, 150 Syrian Christians were airlifted to refuge and safety in Poland.

That's the work of the Weidenfeld Safe Havens Fund. It provided the flight and will support the refugees for as long as 18 months as they try to remake their lives.

The person behind all this is Lord George Weidenfeld: life peer, philanthropist, publisher (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, established 1949), Europeanist (founder of the Institute for Strategic Dialogue to promote classically liberal European values), proud public Jew (honorary vice president of the World Jewish Congress), lifelong Zionist (he once served as the chief of Cabinet to Israel's first president, Chaim Weizmann) and, as he will delightedly tell you, the last person to fight a duel at the University of Vienna — with sabers, against a Nazi. (No one died.)

Weidenfeld, now 95, once invoked *Torschlusspanik*, "a German phrase which roughly translates as the 'panic before the closing of the doors,'" to explain why "I'm a man in a hurry." Remarkably healthy and stunningly energetic (as distant cousins, we are often in touch), he appears nowhere near any exit doors. But he is aware of and deeply troubled by the doors closing in on a community in Syria largely abandoned by the world.

In context, the scale of the initial rescue is tragically small. The objective is to rescue 2,000 families. Compared to the carnage in Syria wrought by the pitiless combatants — 230,000 dead, half the 22 million population driven from their homes — it's a paltry sum. But these are real people who will be saved. And for Weidenfeld, that counts.

Yet, he has been criticized for rescuing just Christians. In fact, the U.S. government will not participate because the rescue doesn't extend to Yazidis, Druze or Shiites.

This comes under the heading of no good deed going unpunished. It's a rather odd view that because he cannot do everything, he should be admonished for trying to do something. If Weidenfeld were a man of infinite means, the criticism might be valid. As it is, he says rather sensibly, "I can't save the world." The Arab states, particularly the Gulf monarchies, are surely not without resources. With so few doing so little for so many, he's doing what he can.

And for him, it's personal. In 1938, still a teenager, he was brought from Vienna to London where the Plymouth Brethren took him in and provided for him. He never forgot. He is trying to return the kindness, he explains, to repay the good that Christians did for him 77 years ago. In doing so, he is not just giving hope and a new life to 150 souls, soon to be thousands. He has struck a blow for something exceedingly rare: simple, willful righteousness.

Advocates seek Vatican inquiry of archbishop

By Rachel Zoll
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Priests, nuns and canon lawyers who advocate for molestation victims urged Pope Francis on Wednesday to use the new Vatican tribunal he formed on negligent bishops to investigate the archbishop of Newark, New Jersey, who has long been accused of sheltering abusive priests.

The plea comes as Francis prepares for his first visit to the U.S. in September, a trip which will take place against the backdrop of the broad unfinished business of the molestation scandal. The crisis erupted in 2002 with the case of one pedophile priest in the Archdiocese of Boston before spreading nationwide, then engulfing the Roman Catholic Church.

The advocates, who call themselves the Catholic Whistleblowers, said they will present evidence to the Vatican that Archbishop John Myers has been persistently hostile toward people who come forward with abuse allegations, and had left guilty clerics in parishes in the Newark archdiocese and in his previous post as bishop of Peoria, Illinois. Myers has repeatedly defended his record, noting that he has removed many guilty priests, but he has been dogged by revelations about cases bungled on his watch in both states.

"When Pope Francis last month announced the new tribunal, instantly — within 24 hours — we were saying, 'Myers has to be one,'" said the Rev. James Connell, a canon lawyer and retired priest from Milwaukee, who is part of the whistleblower group. "It's a place to start."

Three American dioceses — Gallup, New Mexico, Milwaukee and St. Paul and Minneapolis — are in bankruptcy court trying to limit settlements with victims and preserve church assets; the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis is being prosecuted on charges of failing to protect children from a now-convicted priest, and the Diocese of Honolulu is facing a raft of new claims after Hawaii lawmakers temporarily abolished time limits on lawsuits over child sex abuse.

Francesco Cesareo, president of Assumption College in Worcester, Massachusetts, and head of the National Review Board, a panel formed by the U.S. bishops to monitor child safety in dioceses, said accountability for bishops is the most pressing issue for restoring trust, after revelations that church leaders for decades had moved guilty clerics from parish to parish without warning parents or alerting police.

Hundreds of accused clergymen have been barred from serving as priests under the reforms the U.S. bishops enacted following intense public pressure in 2002, but there has been no direct penalty for bishops who covered up allegations and kept the clerics on the job.

A few prelates have stepped down. Bishop Robert Finn of Kansas City, Missouri, resigned last April, three years after he was convicted of failure to report suspected child abuse by a now-imprisoned priest. Archbishop John Nienstedt of St. Paul and Minneapolis also resigned this year — just days after the Vatican announced the new tribunal and after prosecutors filed child endangerment charges against the archdiocese. Nienstedt said he wanted to give the archdiocese a "new beginning." Nienstedt is also accused of misconduct with adults. He said he left his post with "a clear conscience."

RELIGIONBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW MEXICO

Air Force base near Clovis accused of religious favoritism

CLOVIS, N.M. — Officials at an Air Force base in New Mexico are denying claims that they improperly promoted an upcoming religious event.

The Clovis News Journal reported that emails about an Aug. 15 Gospel Explosion event planned for the Cannon Air Force Base chapel said "please post everywhere and spread the word."

The Military Religious Freedom Foundation said a master sergeant and first lieutenants sent emails to seven people who later contacted the organization. In a news release Thursday the group said the emails could be construed as supporting or endorsing religion.

Base public affairs representative Lt. Erin Recanzone said the invitation was promoted like any other base-hosted event, including standup comics and golf tournaments.

She said the base thoroughly investigates all concerns related to religious freedom.

WASHINGTON

Ben Carson blasts Planned Parenthood

Ben Carson has urged people of faith to stand up against what he calls the "blatant evil" of Planned Parenthood.

The Republican presidential hopeful addressed a rally outside the U.S. Capitol yesterday as an anti-abortion group released a third undercover video of Planned Parenthood officials discussing the provision of organs from aborted fetuses for research. The organization says the videos are heavily edited.

Carson told abortion opponents he had spent many nights as a surgeon "toiling so hard to save one of those lives."

Sens. Ted Cruz and Rand Paul, who also are seeking the GOP nomination, said Congress should cut off the hundreds of millions of dollars it gives Planned Parenthood.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell's office said he's working "to address this horrific issue with the goal of taking a vote" before Congress's August recess.

SALT LAKE CITY

Mormons reevaluate Boy Scout links after OK for gay adults

The lifting of the Boy Scouts of America's ban on gay adult leaders has drawn a sharp response from the largest sponsor of Scout units.

The Mormon church, which serves more than 427,000 boys in nearly 38,000 scout units, said the admission of openly gay leaders is "inconsistent with the doctrines of the Church." One possibility, church officials suggest, would be for the Mormons to form their own worldwide scouting movement.

CALENDAR

TODAY

Greater St. Luke AME Church Women's Conference, 7 p.m. today and 9 a.m. Saturday at Junior League of Midland. 222-1100.

SUNDAY

Youth gathering, 6-8 p.m. at First United Methodist Church basement. firstmethodistmidland.com.

MONDAY

College Bible Study, 7-8:30 p.m. at various locations. firstmethodistmidland.com.

WEDNESDAY

Rock the Desert preshow with Wolves at the Gate, 6:30 p.m. at RTD Skatepark. rockthedesert.com.

THURSDAY

Midland Need to Read Open House, 4-6 p.m. at MN2R Literary House. midlandneedtoread.org.

An Evening with Ben Crenshaw, 7 p.m. at the Horseshoe Pavilion. Benefiting Centers for Children and Families. centerstx.org.

Rock the Desert, through Aug. 8 at RTD grounds. rockthedesert.com.

AUGUST

41st Spiritual Explosion, Aug. 12-15 at Faith Temple Church of God in Christ. 684-5253.

Caregiver Support group, noon-1 p.m. Aug. 12 at Hospice Midland. hospiceofmidland.org.

A Night at Rydell High: A 'Grease' themed party benefiting Senior Link Midland, 8 p.m. Aug. 15 at Hacienda Event Center. b93.net.

Mysteries at the Museum: An Evening of Science Experiments, Aug. 20 at Petroleum Museum. petroleummuseum.org.

Smash! tennis tournament and concert, Aug. 22 at Midland Country Club. Benefits Bynum School. bynumschool.org.

Fourth annual Golf to Honor Tournament benefiting the Patrick Wayland Memorial Scholarship Fund, 8 p.m. Aug. 22 at Hogan Park Golf Course. pbaf.com.

Rally Day Ministry Registration, 9:30 a.m. Aug. 23 at St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church. stnicksmt.org.

Author and speaker Carl Medearis, Aug. 23 at First Baptist Church. carlmedearis.com.

Caregiver Support group, noon-1 p.m. Aug. 26 at Hospice Midland. hospiceofmidland.org.

Rapture Ruckus featuring Jonathan Thulin, 7 p.m. Aug. 28 at Crossbar Cowboy Church in Andrews. whatyeshuacandoo.com.

SEPTEMBER

Coffee Break for Men, 9-10 a.m. Sept. 2 at Hospice Midland. hospiceofmidland.org.

Caregiver Support group, noon-1 p.m. Sept. 9 at Hospice Midland. hospiceofmidland.org.

Interfaith Event, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at First Baptist Church. fbc-midland.org.

Septemberfest, Sept. 11-13 at Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org.

Rhea Lana's Children's Consignment Sale, Sept. 19-21 at the Horseshoe Education Building. midlandodessa.rhealana.com.

Grief 101, noon-1 p.m. Sept. 21 at Hospice Midland. hospiceofmidland.org.

Caregiver Support group, noon-1 p.m. Sept. 23 at Hospice Midland. hospiceofmidland.org.

Grief Support six-week session, 6:30-8 p.m. Mondays beginning Sept. 28 at Hospice Midland. hospiceofmidland.org.

Young Life banquet, Sept. 28 at Horseshoe Pavilion. younglife.org.

To include your event on this calendar, email Rich Lopez at jrlopez@mrt.com.

Vacation Bible school events coming up

Bellview Baptist Church
"Outback Rock: Where Kids Venture Into Solid Faith." 6-8 p.m. Aug. 3-5. bbcmidland.com.

St. Mark's United Methodist Church
"G-Force." 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Aug. 15. stmumc.com

Midland Bible Church
"Backstage with the Bible." Aug. 17-21. midlandbible.org. 684-9722.

To include your VBS on this list, email Megan Buck at mbuck@mrt.com.

Manaea lands on 'Hounds after A's-Royals trade

By Will Korn
wkorn@mrt.com


Manaea

Former Northwest Arkansas left-handed starter Sean Manaea didn't know how to take it when he heard he had been traded Tuesday by the Kansas City Royals to the Oakland Athletics for Ben Zobrist.

"It's a little crazy," Manaea said. "The past couple days have been weird, talking to my family, girlfriend and stuff. The first day I didn't really even know how to react. All the emotions went through my head and it was just a weird feeling."

It's the first time that Manaea, a 23-year-old out of Indiana State, has been traded in his professional career. He immediately joined Midland at the Double-A level and is ready to begin his career chapter in the A's organization.

He's set to make his Midland debut at 7 p.m. today, when he starts against the Corpus Christi Hooks at Security Bank Ballpark.

Manaea admitted that he had no idea he had been dealt to Oakland until some of his Naturals teammates approached him to start saying goodbye before the team's game on Tuesday. Northwest Arkansas was playing the Arkansas Travelers on the road at the time of the trade.

"I was in the hotel in Little Rock and everyone started coming up to me and saying 'Man, I'm going to miss you, this is just so weird,'" Manaea said. "Then I went to the clubhouse, packed up all my stuff, said my goodbyes. Next morning, I woke up, caught a flight to Frisco and now basically everything is the same, just new guys."

Manaea is currently working his way back into form after an abdominal injury that he sustained earlier in the season.

"I tore my ab and they (the Royals) sent me back for a couple of months," Manaea said. "I just had to work through it, extend it in camp with the Royals. It's frustrating because I wanted to go out and start the season well. But I've just got to keep working and progressing as a pitcher."

Still, nabbing Manaea as well as minor league pitcher Aaron Brooks for Zobrist was seen as quite a haul for Billy Beane, who seems to have the A's in full rebuild mode this summer.

Entering the 2015 season, the 6-foot-5 Manaea was the No. 81 ranked prospect in all of baseball, according to Baseball America. Following the trade, Manaea, the No. 34 overall pick of the 2013 amateur draft, is now the No. 3 prospect in Oakland's system, according to MLB Pipeline.

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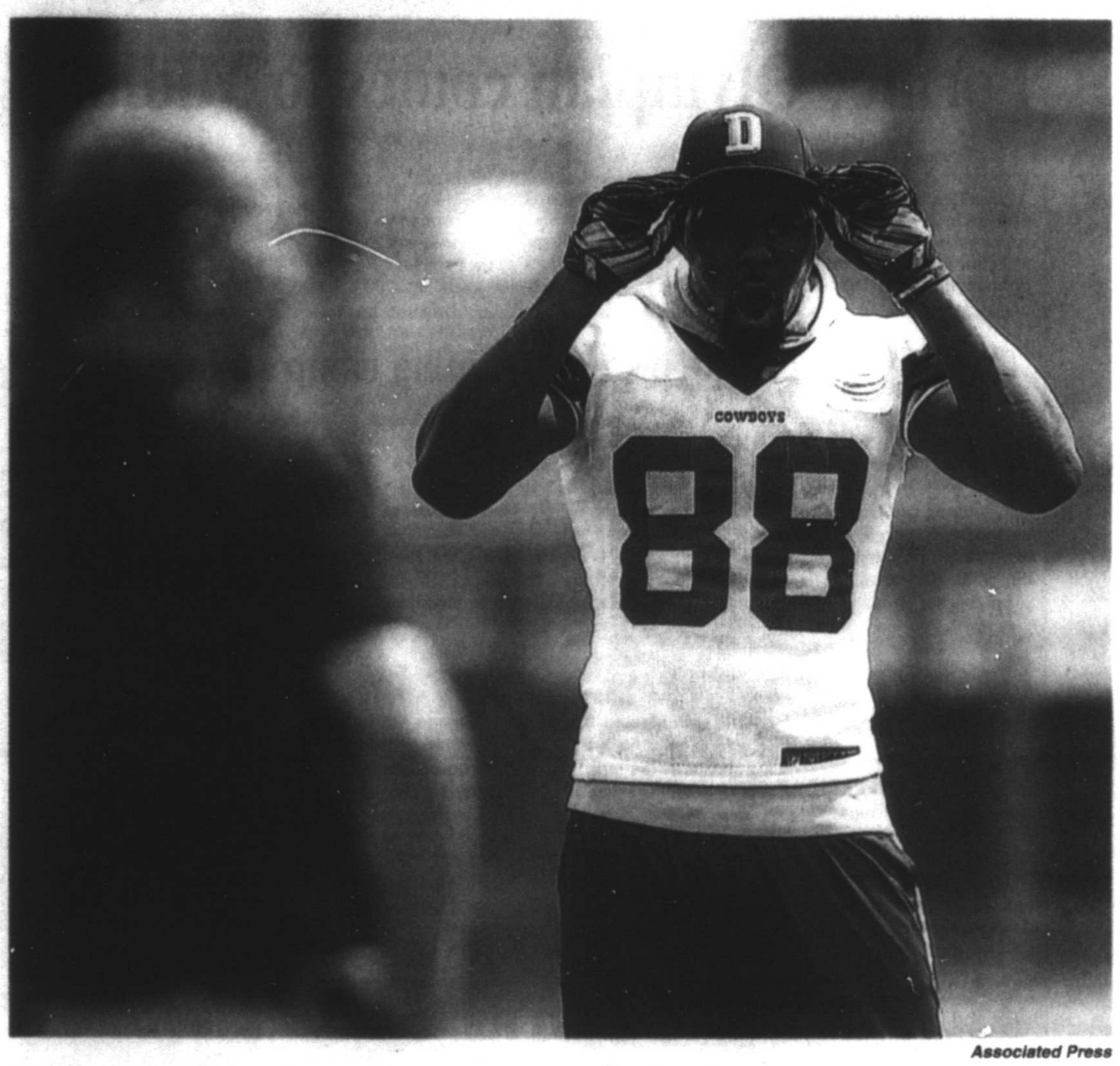
The return of the Dez



Associated Press

Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Dez Bryant yawns Thursday in the middle of a drill during the team's NFL training camp in Oxnard, Calif.

Enthusiastic Bryant back on field with Cowboys

By Schulyer Dixon
Associated Press

OXNARD, Calif. — Dez Bryant wanted to toss a football with fellow receiver Cole Beasley almost as soon as he took the field for the first time at the training camp he threatened to skip without a long-term contract.

The Cowboys had their enthusiastic All-Pro for the opening workout Thursday because the sides agreed on a five-year, $70 million contract hours before a July 15 deadline that would have forced Bryant to play on a one-year deal — if at all.

So instead of worrying about whether his "vocal leader" would report to camp, Beasley just had to make sure he didn't throw out his arm.

"He's like an old kid, man," Beasley said with a smile. "He comes out here and the first thing he wants to do is throw the ball around. It's like he's already loose when he gets out here. He can just throw the ball 50 yards without even warming up. My arm's out here hurting, trying to throw it back to him."

A day earlier, coach Jason Garrett had the pleasant surprise of bumping into Bryant at the hotel complex where the Cowboys train. It was the first time he had seen last season's NFL leader in touchdown receptions (16) since Bryant wrapped up the financial security he felt he had to wait too long to get.

After the enthusiastic greeting with Garrett, Bryant shared some smiles with owner Jerry Jones and his wife, Gene. And then the capper Thursday — back on the field with his teammates, although he had a hard time staying away from offseason activities during the contract stalemate.

"It's interesting, when you have a guy like that with such a presence in some ways you feel his absence more," Garrett said. "Dez is one of those guys who you miss him because of the kind of player he is, but also because of his personality and the energy that he brings."

Quarterback Tony Romo already faced the prospect of moving on without NFL rushing leader DeMarco Murray, who signed with Philadelphia in free agency. Trying to follow the most efficient season of his career without Bryant as well would have been daunting.

"I told him, 'It's about time,'" Romo said of his first conversation with Bryant after the receiver signed. "But it was out of his control a little bit. I think I was just happy to see him."

The lengthy negotiations — going back to last November — fueled speculation that the Cowboys were still worried about off-the-field issues that

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Blue Jays land Price in Toronto's 2nd big trade of week

By Noah Trister
Associated Press


Price

DETROIT — Toronto acquired All-Star left-hander David Price from the Detroit Tigers on Thursday, the second major move in less than a week by the Blue Jays as they chase their first postseason appearance since 1993.

After obtaining slugging shortstop Troy Tulowitzki from Colorado, the Blue Jays tried to shore up their rotation by adding Price, likely the top remaining starting pitcher on the market.

"These types of players, the great superstar players, rarely become available," Toronto general manager Alex Anthopoulos said. "We think we're a good team and adding a guy like Price we think makes us that much stronger and will give us a chance to win. It's as simple as that."

The Blue Jays sent left-handers Daniel Norris, Matt Boyd and Jairo Labourt to the Tigers in the deal. Price can become a free agent after this season.

Later Thursday, Detroit dealt closer Joakim Soria to Pittsburgh for minor league infielder JaCoby Jones.

Speaking in the Detroit clubhouse before the Tigers faced the Orioles in Baltimore, Price was excited about joining a contender — even if he did refer to the Blue Jays as "they" instead of "we."

"They've got a good thing going on right now in Toronto," he said. "They've kind of been in this situation before and didn't make these type of moves. It definitely shows you that they want to win right now. You have to respect that. You have to like it and that's what you want to be a part of."

Toronto has scored more runs than any other team in the major leagues but still had a .500 record heading into Thursday night's game against the Royals. The Blue Jays trailed Minnesota by two games for the AL's second wild card and were seven behind the AL East-leading New York Yankees.

Now, however, the Blue Jays appear ripe to make a run.

"By adding these two," Toronto manager John Gibbons said, "it gives me a shot in the arm. I know that."

Jays third baseman Josh Donaldson said: "You look around the clubhouse, you're going to see a lot of All-Stars. It feels like you're almost playing fantasy

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Gomez traded to Astros after Mets deal falls through

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — The Astros have added another bat to their lineup as they make a push for the postseason, acquiring two-time All-Star outfielder Carlos Gomez from the Milwaukee Brewers.

Houston, which also received right-hander Mike Fiers in the deal, sent four prospects to the Brewers: left-hander Josh Hader, right-hander Adrian Houser and outfielders Brett Phillips and Domingo Santana.

Milwaukee general manager Doug Melvin said a trade fell through Wednesday that would have sent Gomez to the New York Mets for infielder Wilmer Flores and injured pitcher Zack Wheeler.

Houston's move came a week after the Astros obtained top starter Scott Kazmir from the Oakland Athletics. Seeking its first postseason appearance since 2005, Houston entered Thursday with a one-game lead in the AL West.

The 29-year-old Gomez is hitting .262 with eight homers and 43 RBIs in 74 games for the Brewers this season. He is making $8 million this season and $9 million in 2016, then can become a free agent.

Gomez, who won a Gold Glove in 2013, is a nine-year veteran coming off a career-best season last year, when he hit .284 with 34 doubles, 23 homers, 73 RBIs and 34 steals. Gomez and Mike Trout are the only players with at least 100 steals and 50 home runs over the last four seasons.

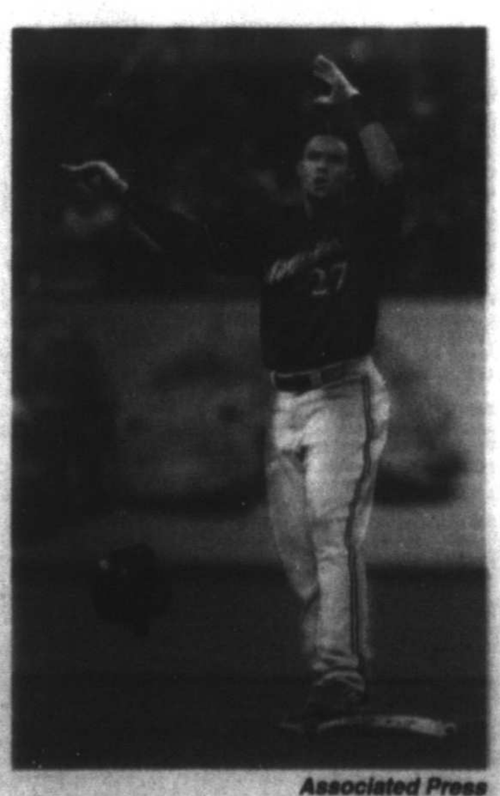
Gomez played for the Mets and the Twins before joining the Brewers in 2010.

Fiers is 5-9 with a 3.89 ERA in 21 starts for Milwaukee this season. He has 121 strikeouts in 118 innings this season. He won't be a free agent until after the 2019 season.

Before the trade, Melvin bristled at the notion the Mets didn't make their proposed deal because they concluded Gomez has a bad hip.

"Like any typical trade, you have a box you have to check off to get deals approved. In the end, we did have a deal done. When all was said in done there, was a level of discomfort (on the part of the Mets) in making the deal complete," Melvin said.

Gomez, who was scratched from Milwaukee's lineup less than 30 minutes before Thursday's game, discussed the possibility of a trade Thursday afternoon.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The Milwaukee Brewers' Carlos Gomez throws his helmet after an officials' review called him out stealing second during the ninth inning of a baseball game against the San Francisco Giants on Monday in San Francisco.

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THURSDAY'S SCORE
Corpus Christi 4
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TODAY'S GAME
Corpus Christi at Midland, 7 p.m.

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DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

ON TV
ARENA FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Arizona at San Jose, 9:30 p.m., CBSSN
AUSTRALIAN RULES FOOTBALL
Collingwood vs Melbourne, 11 p.m., FS2
Sydney vs Adelaide, 1:30 a.m., FOXSOC+
BASEBALL
NYBC Pool Play, Game 1, 9 a.m., CBSSN
NYBC Pool Play, Game 2, Noon, CBSSN
BOXING
Daniel Lozano vs Ricardo Rodriguez, 10:30 p.m., TELE
CANADIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Saskatchewan at Edmonton, 8 p.m., ESPN2
COLLEGE FOOTBALL
Big 10 Media Days, 8 a.m., BTN
Pac-12 Media Days, 11 a.m., P12
Big 10/ Pac-12 Media Days, Noon, ESPNU
GOLF
Ricoh Women's British Open, 2nd Round, 8 a.m., ESPN2
European PGA: Saltire Energy Paul Lawrie Matchplay, Round of 32, 8 a.m., GOLF
Champions: 3M Championship, 1st Round, 11 a.m., GOLF
PGA: Quicken Loans National, 2nd Round, 1:30 p.m., GOLF
Web.com: Utah Championship, 2nd Round, 5:30 p.m., GOLF
MLB
Washington at NY Mets, 6 p.m., MLB
San Francisco at Texas, 7 p.m., FSSW
Arizona at Houston, 7 p.m., ROOT
MEN'S SOCCER
Liga MX: Queretaro vs Pachuca, 7:25 p.m., UDN
Liga MX: Club Tijuana vs CS y D Dorados de Sinaloa, 9:25 p.m., AZTECA
MIXED MARTIAL ARTS
Lion Fight 23, 9 p.m., AXS
MOTORSPORTS
Sprint Cup: Pennsylvania 400, Practice, 10 a.m., NBCSN
FIA World Rally: Finland, 11 a.m., MAVtv
CAMPING WORLD TRUCK Series: Pocono Mountain 150, Practice, 1 p.m., FS1
Sprint Cup: Pennsylvania 400, Final Practice, 3:30 p.m., NBCSN
XFINITY: US Cellular 250, Final Practice, 6 p.m., NBCSN
RUGBY
League Challenge Cup: Leeds vs St Helen's, 1:30 p.m., FOXSOC+
NRL: North Queensland vs Canberra, 2:30 a.m., FS2
NRL: Manly-Warringah vs Brisbane, 4:30 a.m., FOXSOC+
SPECIAL OLYMPICS
6 p.m., ESPN
WNBA
Los Angeles at Chicago, 7:30 p.m., NBAtv
ON RADIO
MLB
San Francisco at Texas, 7 p.m., KBST, 1490 AM (Big Spring)
TEXAS LEAGUE BASEBALL
Corpus Christi at Midland, 7 p.m., KCRS 550 AM

LOCAL SPORTS

MIDLAND'S SMITH 2ND IN TRIPLE JUMP AT GAMES OF TEXAS

COLLEGE STATION — Midland's Sametria Smith placed second in the girls 16-and-under triple jump with a leap of 36 feet, 8 inches during Thursday's TAAF Games of Texas State Meet.

Smith will compete in the long jump today and the 100 hurdles and the 300 hurdles on Saturday. Smith, a Midland High sophomore, is competing for West Texas Track Club.

HS PHYSICALS

High school physicals will be conducted at Dr. Donald Floyd's office at 4304 Andrews Highway on Aug. 1 and Aug. 22.

The physicals will be available from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on both days and the cost is $25. Only cash is accepted.

For more information call 520-3020.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
Major League Baseball
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF BASEBALL — Suspended Baltimore SS Jared Breen (Delmarva-SAL) and RHP Nick Cunningham (Delmarva-SAL) 80 games each after positive tests for a performance-enhancing substance in violation of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program.
American League
BOSTON RED SOX — Activated RHP Jean Machi. Designated OF Daniel Nava for assignment. Recalled RHP Jonathan Aro from Pawtucket (IL). Optioned LHP Tommy Layne to Pawtucket.
CLEVELAND INDIANS — Recalled INF Lonnie Chisenhall from Columbus (IL).
HOUSTON ASTROS — Acquired OF Carlos Gomez, RHP Mike Fiers and slot number 76 in the 2015-16 international pool from the Milwaukee Brewers for LHP Josh Hader, RHP Adrian Houser, OF Brett Phillips and OF Domingo Santana. Activated INF Jed Lowrie from the 60-day DL. Designated RHP Roberto Hernandez for assignment.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Activated INF-OF Ben Zobrist. Optioned OF Paulo Orlando to Omaha (PCL).
NEW YORK YANKEES — Placed RHP Michael Pineda on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 25. Recalled RHP Bryan Mitchell and RHP Nick Goody from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Optioned RHP Caleb Cotham to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre.
SEATTLE MARINERS — Acquired OF Ramon Flores and RHP Jose Ramirez from the New York Yankees for OF Dustin Ackley. Recalled 1B Jesus Montero from Tacoma (PCL).
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Acquired LHP David Price from Detroit for LHP Daniel Norris, LHP Matt Boyd and LHP Jairo Labourt.
National League
ATLANTA BRAVES — Acquired INF Hector Olivera, LHP Paco Rodriguez and RHP Zachary Bird from the Los Angeles Dodgers and Miami's 2016 competitive balance draft lottery selection A for LHPs Luis Avilan and Alex Wood, RHPs Bronson Arroyo and Jim Johnson and INF Jose Peraza.
CINCINNATI REDS — Recalled LHP David Holmberg and RHP Keyvius Sampson from Louisville (IL). Optioned C Kyle Skipworth to Pensacola (SL). Placed RHP Nate Adcock on the 15-day DL.
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Added LHP Luis Avilan, RHP Jim Johnson, RHP Mat Latos and LHP Alex Wood to the roster. Placed RHP Bronson Arroyo on the 60-day DL. Optioned INF Jose Peraza to Oklahoma City (PCL). Transferred RHP Chris Hatcher to the 60-day DL. Designated RHP Brandon Beachy, OF Chris Heisey, INF/OF Michael Morse and RHP Chin-Hui Tsao for assignment.
MIAMI MARLINS — Acquired RHPs Kevin Guzman, Jeff Brigham and Victor Araujo from the Los Angeles Dodgers for RHP Mat Latos, 1B Michael Morse and cash considerations.
NEW YORK METS — Sent C Anthony Recker to Las Vegas (PCL).
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Designated RHP Vance Worley for assignment. Activated RHP Joe Blanton. Acquired RHP Joakim Soria from Detroit for INF JaCoby Jones.
ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Acquired OF-1B Brandon Moss from Cleveland for LHP Rob Kaminsky. Placed OF Matt Holliday on the 15-day DL. Recalled INF Greg Garcia from Memphis (PCL). Designated 1B Dan Johnson for assignment.
Eastern League
TRENTON THUNDER — Announced RHP Joel De La Cruz was transferred to the team from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL) and RHP Andrew Bailey was transferred Scranton/Wilkes-Barre.
American Association
AMARILLO THUNDERHEADS — Released RHP Anthony Figliola. Signed RHP Mark Haynes. Acquired RHP Richie Mirowski from Washington (FL) for a player to be named.
GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Traded OF Tillman Pugh to Winnipeg for cash.
GRAND PRAIRIE AIRHOGS — Traded OF Chris Elder to Laredo for cash.
JOPLIN BLASTERS — Signed LHP Scott Heath.
SIOUX FALLS CANARIES — Signed INF Angel Chavez. Released LHP Al Yevoli.
WICHITA WINGNUTS — Signed INF Jerry Gonzalez.
Atlantic League
SUGAR LAND SKEETERS — Sold the contract of RHP Tim Stauffer to the New York Mets.
Frontier League
GATEWAY GRIZZLIES — Signed INF KJ Stark.
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS MINERS — Traded RHP Pete Perez to Gateway for RHP Scott Harkin.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
NEW YORK KNICKS — Signed C Kristaps Porzingis and G Jerian Grant.
PHOENIX SUNS — Named Nate Bjorkgren, Earl Watson and Corey Gaines assistant coach. Promoted Mark West to vice president of player relations.
NBA Development League
IOWA ENERGY — Named Nicki Gross assistant coach.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
ATLANTA FALCONS — Placed OT Lamor Holmes on the PUP list.
BUFFALO BILLS — Placed DE Mario Williams, K Dan Carpenter and CB Leodis McKelvin on the active/non-football injury list and TE Chris Manhertz and CB Cam Thomas on the PUP list.
CAROLINA PANTHERS — Signed WR Avius Capers and P Matt Wile. Waived CB Gary Peters. Placed De'Andre Presley and TE Brandon Williams on the PUP list and OT Jonathan Martin on the reserve/did not report list.
CINCINNATI BENGALS — Signed WRs Desmond Lawrence and Greg Little. Waived WR Cobi Hamilton. Placed LB Ray Maualuga on the active/non-football injury list.
CLEVELAND BROWNS — Placed LB Darius Eubanks, WR Marlon Moore and RB Glenn Winston on the active/non-football injury list.
DALLAS COWBOYS — Placed RB Darren McFadden and LB Rolando McClain on the PUP list and OL Chaz Green, LB Mark Nzeocha and C Shane McDermott on the active/non-football injury list. Announced the retirement of LB Keith Rivers.
TENNESSEE TITANS — Agreed to terms with NT Isaako Aaitui. Placed NT Sammie Hill on PUP list and TE Dorin Dickerson on injured reserve.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
MONTREAL CANADIENS — Agreed to terms with F Alex Galchenyuk on a two-year contract.
PHILADELPHIA FLYERS — Agreed to terms with RW Jakub Voracek on a multiyear contract extension.
WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Signed D Jonas Siegenthaler to a three-year, entry-level contract.
AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE
HARTFORD WOLF PACK — Re-signed F Shawn O'Donnell.
ECHL
READING ROYALS — Agreed to terms with D Derik Johnson. Signed Fs Justin Crandall, Cam Reid, Mike Pereira, Joe Rehkamp and Ian Watters, and D Jordan Heywood, Curtis Leonard and Sam Windle to one-year contracts.
MOTORSPORTS
INDYCAR — Announced the resignation of president of competition Derrick Walker, effective at the end of the season.
SOCCER
Major League Soccer
COLUMBUS CREW — Signed D Harrison Afful.
LA GALAXY — Acquired G Donovan Ricketts from Orlando SC for a 2016 second-round draft pick. Placed G Jaime Penedo on waivers.
North American Soccer League
JACKSONVILLE ARMADA — Signed F Derek Gebhard.
COLLEGE
AUBURN-MONTGOMERY — Named Paige Wetzel volleyball coach.
DAYTON — Named Kayla Ard women's assistant basketball coach.
DELAWARE — Promoted Dana Griskowitz to assistant volleyball coach. Named Brian Toron director of volleyball operations.
IOWA — Announced sophomore DB Solomon Warfield will transfer.
LEES-MCRAE — Named William Taige women's volleyball coach.
OHIO STATE — Suspended junior DE Joey Bosa, sophomore HB Jalin Marshall, senior WR Corey Smith and junior HB Dontre Wilson one game for violating department of athletics policy.
SAINT LEO — Named Erin Mykleby assistant athletics director for marketing, fundraising, and community engagement; and Conner Kilpatrick assistant director of intramurals and recreation. Promoted Mike Madagan to associate athletics director, Pete Lefresne to assistant athletics director for communications and Erin Bean to director of athletics communications.
UAB — Named Frank Cuervo senior associate athletic director for external relations.

Patriots open camp, try to ignore noise

By Jimmy Golen
Associated Press

FOXBOROUGH, Mass. — Fans drove to Gillette Stadium past a booth selling "Free Tom Brady" T-shirts.

Then, when they arrived for the New England Patriots' first training camp practice on Thursday, they let the star quarterback know how they felt.

Brady took the field to a boisterous cheer from the more than 10,000 fans who sat in a sweltering sun to see the Super Bowl champions open the defense of their title.

Team owner Robert Kraft, who lashed out at the NFL a day earlier for upholding Brady's suspension, also got loud applause when he came out on the field.

Kraft waved to fans when he arrived and then signed autographs for about 20 minutes at the end of practice. Fans were overwhelmingly supportive of the owner, according to an Associated Press photographer who witnessed the exchanges in an area off limits to writers.



Associated Press

New England Patriots fans wait for practice to complete, while standing behind a sign supporting quarterback Tom Brady, during an NFL football training camp in Foxborough, Mass., on Thursday.

Up above, an airplane buzzed the practice field towing a banner that said: "Cheaters Look Up!" and listing the Twitter handle of a New York Jets fan website.

But at ground level, Brady looked sharp in his first football action since the Patriots beat the Seattle Seahawks in February for the franchise's — and his — fourth NFL title. He even had a one-handed touchdown catch on a pass from Julian Edelman, according to a video posted online by a member of the public. (The Patriots do not allow media to report on formations or trick plays.)

Brady was suspended four games and the team was docked $1 million and two draft picks for what the NFL said was a scheme to provide insufficiently inflated footballs for the AFC championship game against the Indianapolis Colts. Brady appealed, but Commissioner Roger Goodell upheld the punishment on Tuesday.

Both the players union and the NFL filed lawsuits in U.S. District Court seeking support for their position. Before the Patriots took the field on Thursday, a judge in Minnesota rejected the union's suit and said the case would be heard in New York.

But Brady was a winner again on the field, with fans chanting his name and waving signs in support of the three-time Super Bowl MVP. He was not available to the media on Thursday, slipping away through an inaccessible exit after practice.

Backup Jimmy Garoppolo told reporters that he was not thinking about whether he would have to start for the first four games if Brady's suspension holds. He said he does not have a preference on whether he likes the football hard or soft.

In response to failed appeal, online gambling site Bovada dropped the Patriots odds of winning the Super Bowl from 9-1 to 12-1.

Former Olympian comes to Midland

From staff reports

Dana Hee, a 1988 Olympic gold medalist in taekwondo, motivational speaker and Hollywood stuntwoman, will be at the BMW of the Permian Basin for the BMW Drive for Team USA event.

For every test drive at the event, BMW will donate $10 to help support Team USA for the 2016 Summer Olympics and Paralympic Games in Rio de Janeiro. At BMW of the Permian Basin, a fleet of vehicles will be on hand for the test drives and local food trucks on site for the customer's enjoyment.

The event takes place from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. today and from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday at BMW of the Permian Basin, 5751 Andrews Highway.

Cowboys' McFadden starts training camp on injured list

Associated Press

OXNARD, Calif. — Cowboys running back Darren McFadden will start training camp on the physically unable to perform list because of a hamstring injury that also bothered him in the offseason.

Linebacker Rolando McClain is on the injured list going into Thursday's first full camp workout. That was expected after coach Jason Garrett said he wouldn't be ready early in camp as he recovers from offseason knee surgery.

Dallas is hoping McFadden, the top 10 pick by Oakland in 2008, can help replace NFL rushing champion DeMarco Murray, who signed with Philadelphia in free agency.

Three rookies are starting on active injured lists: lineman Chaz Green (hip surgery), linebacker Mark Nzeocha (knee) and center Shane McDermott (eye infection).

All the players can be activated anytime during camp.

BRYANT

From 1C

plagued Bryant in his first two years in the NFL. And those issues came after his draft stock fell because of similar concerns.

The Cowboys have said there is no language in the contract specific to the 26-year-old Bryant's behavior, and that any clauses related to off-field issues are similar to the standard fare in other NFL deals.

"You've seen Dez as an older, more mature Dez," Romo said. "He's come a long way since he first stepped on the field here, and I think it's exciting to see his growth as a player, as a person. He's like a little brother to me."

Bryant is the franchise leader in TDs receiving for the first five seasons with 56, topping a list that includes Hall of Famers Bob Hayes and Michael Irvin. And his presence erases a major distraction for a team trying to defend a NFC East title and make a Super Bowl run.

"I wasn't really too worried," said Beasley, who also signed a long-term deal this offseason. "I knew Dez wanted to be here. I knew they wanted him here. I kind of figured they'd get something done."

FISHING REPORT

WEST

ALAN HENRY: Water stained; 79-86 degrees; 0.19 feet high. Black bass are fair on topwaters early, spinnerbaits, Texas rigs and weightless flukes. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair on chartreuse (use Worm-Glo) nightcrawlers.

ARROWHEAD: Water off color; 78-87 degrees; 0.1 feet high. No report available.

COLORADO CITY: 18.14 feet low. No report available.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 80-88 degrees; 6.32 feet low. Black bass are fair on Texas rigs, shakyheads and medium running crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair on nightcrawlers.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water off color; 81-89 degrees; 17.57 feet low. Black bass are fair to good on Yellow Magics early, later switching to chatterbaits, Texas rigs and jigs. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers and live shad.

NASWORTHY: No report available.

OAK CREEK: Water stained; 79-87 degrees; 17.55 feet low. Black bass are fair to good on topwaters early, later switching to Carolina rigs, spinnerbaits, Texas rigs and crankbaits-Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs under a slip cork. Catfish are fair on chartreuse (use Worm-Glo) nightcrawlers.

O.H. IVIE: Water stained; 79-86 degrees; 40.82 feet low. Black bass are good on Yellow Magics early, later switching to shakyheads, Texas rigs, split shot rigged flukes and crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished shallow. Catfish are fair to good on live bait.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water fairly clear; 79-87 degrees; 0.34 feet high. Black bass are fair to good on spinnerbaits, Texas rigs, jigs and medium running crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair on Road Runners. Striped bass are fair on live shad. Catfish are fair to good on live shad and nightcrawlers.

SPENCE: 57.98 feet low. No report available.

STAMFORD: 0.22 feet low. No report available.

SWEETWATER: Water off color; 79-86 degrees; 28.42 feet low. No report available.

WHITE RIVER: Water stained; 80-87 degrees; 14.81 feet low. No report available.

CENTRAL

BASTROP: Water stained; 80-84 degrees. Black bass are fair on chartreuse crankbaits and spinnerbaits. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on shrimp and stinkbait. Yellow catfish are slow.

BELTON: Water stained; 79-83 degrees; 1.31 feet high. Black bass are good on purple/black soft plastic crawdads on the bottom. Hybrid striper are fair on live shad early. White bass are slow. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on summer sausage, stinkbait, and frozen shad. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines and throwlines baited with live perch.

BROWNWOOD: Water stained; 80-84 degrees; 0.10 feet low. Black bass are good on watermelon and redbug crankbaits, Rat-L-Traps, and spinnerbaits over grass flats. Hybrid striper are good on shad. White bass are very good on Li'l Fishies and minnows. Crappie are good on minnows and green tube jigs. Channel catfish are good on trotlines baited with live bait. Yellow catfish are good on trotlines baited with live bait.

BUCHANAN: Water murky; 78-82 degrees; 10.45 feet low. Black bass are fair to good on chartreuse buzzbaits, flukes, and watermelon topwaters in 4-10 feet early. Striped bass are good on watermelon crankbaits, Rat-L-Traps, and soft plastic worms. White bass are fair on Li'l Fishies and live minnows. Crappie are fair on minnows. Channel catfish are good on liver, minnows, and stinkbait. Yellow and blue catfish are good on goldfish and perch upriver.

CANYON LAKE: Water murky; 79-83 degrees; 0.43 feet high. Black bass are fair on watermelon topwaters, cotton candy flukes, and swim baits over grass early. Striped bass are fair on chartreuse Rat-L-Traps. White bass are fair on Li'l Fishies. Smallmouth bass are fair on watermelon crankbaits and white grubs in 5-14 feet early. Crappie are fair on minnows and blue tube jigs. Channel catfish are fair on shrimp. Yellow and blue catfish are good on goldfish and perch upriver.

COLEMAN: Water murky; 79-83 degrees; 5.72 feet low. Black bass are good on pumpkinseed Rat-L-Traps and soft plastics. Hybrid striper are fair on silver striper jigs. Crappie are fair on minnows and white tube jigs. Channel catfish are good on trotlines baited with live perch. Yellow catfish are slow.

COLORADO RIVER: (At Colorado Bend State Park) No report available.

FAYETTE: Water murky. Black bass are good on perch colored Rat-L-Traps and small crankbaits early. Channel and blue catfish are fair on shrimp and bloodbait.

GRANBURY: Water murky; 79-83 degrees; 0.03 feet high. Black bass are fair on chartreuse/black soft plastic worms and lizards. Striped bass are fair on chartreuse striper jigs. White bass are fair on minnows and Li'l Fishies. Crappie are fair on minnows. Catfish are good on stinkbait, chicken livers, and frozen shrimp.

GRANGER: Water clear; 82-86 degrees; 0.76 feet high. Black bass are fair on black soft plastic worms and spinnerbaits. White bass are good on slabs and spoons on humps and ridges near the dam. Crappie are very good on jigs tipped with Berkley Crappie Nibbles in 6-15 feet. Blue catfish are good on fresh shad. Yellow catfish are fair on live perch.

LBJ: Water stained; 79-83 degrees; 0.40 feet low. Black bass are fair on chartreuse soft plastic worms and topwaters, and on watermelon Whacky Sticks in 6-15 feet. White bass are slow. Crappie are good on minnows and white tube jigs over brush piles. Channel catfish are good on shrimp and stinkbait. Yellow and blue catfish are good on trotlines baited with live perch.

NAVARRO MILLS: Water murky; 78-82 degrees; 7.50 feet high. Black bass are good on minnows from the fishing dock at the marina. White bass are fair on Little Georges and spoons. Crappie are fair on minnows over brush piles in 9-15 feet early. Channel catfish are fair on stinkbait and shrimp. Blue catfish are slow. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with perch.

PROCTOR: Water murky; 79-83 degrees; 9.24 feet high. Black bass are fair on dark crankbaits and pumpkinseed soft plastic worms. Striped bass are very good on live shad. White bass are good on minnows and pet spoons. Crappie are good on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live bait. Yellow catfish are slow.

SOMERVILLE: Water murky; 80-84 degrees; 10.98 feet high. Black bass are good on June bug spinnerbaits and crankbaits. Hybrid striper are fair on hellbenders and pet spoons. White bass are good on hellbenders and pet spoons. Crappie are fair on minnows and pink tube jigs. Channel and blue catfish are fair on bloodbait and nightcrawlers. Yellow catfish are slow.

STILLHOUSE: Water murky; 79-83 degrees; 0.21 feet high. Black bass are good on watermelon spinnerbaits, crankbaits, and soft plastics. White bass are fair on slabs and pet spoons. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on stinkbait and shrimp. Yellow catfish are slow.

TRAVIS: Water murky; 80-84 degrees; 10.29 feet low. Black bass are good on chartreuse worms and white spinnerbaits in 10-20 feet. Striped bass are good on chartreuse striper jigs. White bass are fair on minnows and Li'l Fishies. Crappie are fair on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are good on stinkbait and shrimp. Yellow catfish are slow.

WALTER E. LONG: Water murky. Black bass are good on chartreuse Rat-L-Traps and spinnerbaits. Hybrid striper are slow. White bass are fair on Li'l Fishies and minnows. Crappie are fair on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are good on nightcrawlers and shrimp. Yellow catfish are slow.

WHITNEY: Water murky; 80-84 degrees; 0.54 feet high. Black bass are good on watermelon spinnerbaits and crankbaits. Striped bass are slow. White bass are good on minnows and Li'l Fishies. Crappie are good on minnows. Catfish are good on shrimp, stinkbait, and nightcrawlers.

SOUTH

AMISTAD: Water murky; 81-85 degrees; 27.38 feet low. Black bass are good on topwaters, crankbaits, spinnerbaits, and swimbaits. Striped bass are slow. White bass are fair on small crankbaits and minnows. Crappie are slow. Catfish are fair on cheesebait, shrimp, and nightcrawlers in 3-15 feet. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines, droplines, and throwlines on live perch. Everyone in a boat must have a Mexico fishing license (if fishing the Mexico side) whether fishing or not.

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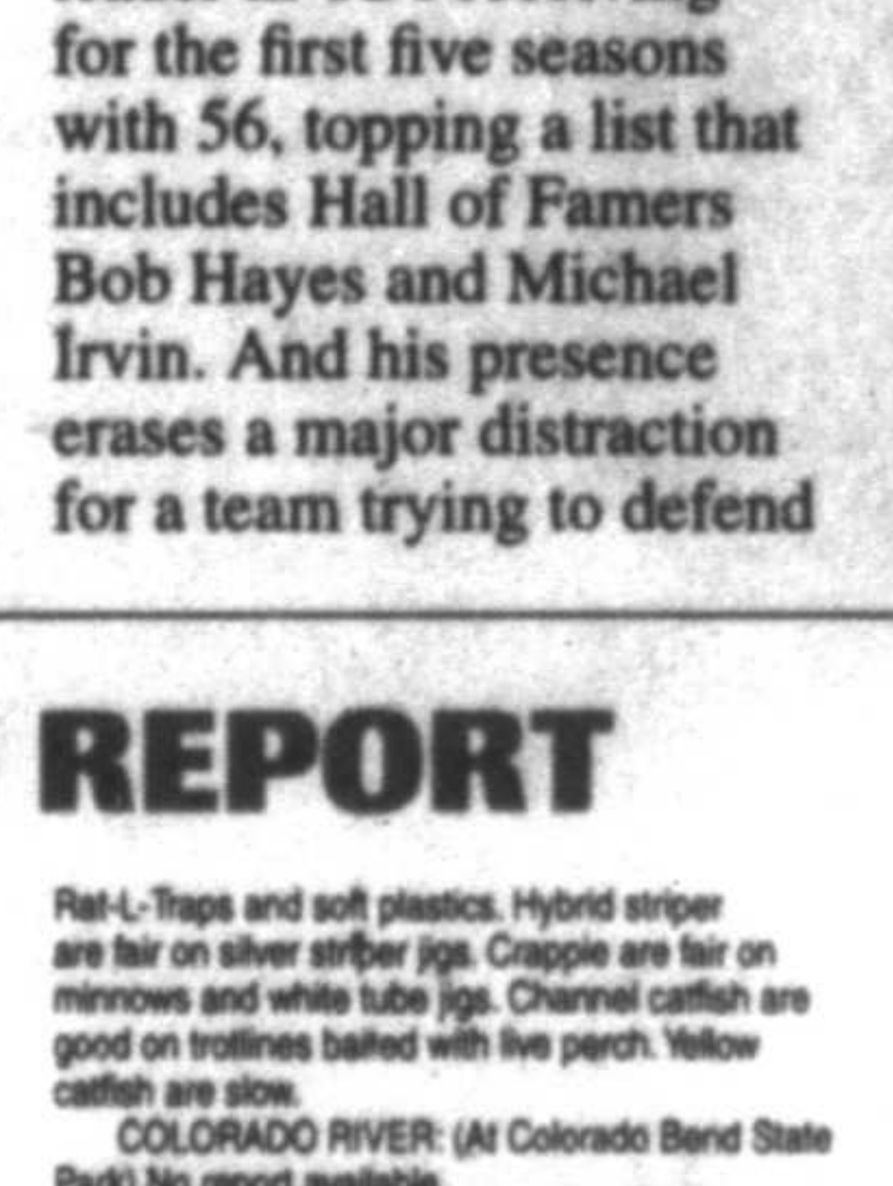

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Castro's 9th-inning homer gives Astros 3-0 win over Angels

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

Astros	3
Angels	0

HOUSTON — Jason Castro hit a three-run homer with two outs in the ninth inning to give the Houston Astros a 3-0 victory and a three-game sweep of the Los Angeles Angels on Thursday night.

The win moves first-place Houston two games ahead of the Angels in the AL West.

It was 0-0 to start the bottom of the ninth inning. Jed Lowrie drew a walk off Jose Alvarez (2-2) with one out before a two-out single by Marwin Gonzalez. Castro then launched his two-out shot off Fernando Salas into the seats in right field to give Houston the win.

Luke Gregerson (4-1) pitched a scoreless ninth for the win.

Scott Kazmir allowed three hits and struck out five in 7 2-3 scoreless innings in the first start for the Astros in his hometown and his second since a trade from the Oakland Athletics. He's been dazzling in his first two starts for the Astros, throwing 14 2-3 scoreless innings and allowing just six hits.

Angels starter Matt Shoemaker was equally as good, scattering three hits over seven innings with seven strikeouts.

Los Angeles center fielder Mike Trout was 0 for 3 in his return after missing two games with an injured left wrist.

Kole Calhoun gave Los Angeles its first hit since the second inning with a single with one out in the sixth, but Kazmir retired the next five hitters. Johnny Giavotella singled to start the eighth and became the first Angel to reach second on a fly out.

Hamilton's game-ending hit gives Texas 7-6 win over Yankees

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

Rangers	7
Yankees	6

ARLINGTON — Josh Hamilton delivered a game-ending RBI single with two outs in the ninth inning and the Texas Rangers beat the AL East-leading New York Yankees 7-6 on Thursday night.

Hamilton also had a three-run homer for the Rangers, who scored the winning run after a wild ninth to split the four-game series.

Delino DeShields drew a leadoff walk in the ninth off Nick Goody (0-1), who was making his major league debut. Yankees closer Andrew Miller got Elvis Andrus out on a deep fly ball before DeShields became the second out when he was hit on the foot by Leonys Martin's hard shot while running the bases.

Martin went to second on Adrian Beltre's walk and scored when Hamilton singled to right.

Mark Teixeira homered twice for the Yankees, and Brian McCann also went deep.

MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

BLUE JAYS 5
ROYALS 2

TORONTO — Dioner Navarro hit a two-run home run, Russell Martin and Josh Donaldson added solo shots and Toronto beat Kansas City.

The Blue Jays, who acquired star pitcher David Price from Detroit earlier in the day, have homered in 12 consecutive games since the All-Star break, their longest streak of the season.

Price was not with the Blue Jays on Thursday but is expected to join them today. Toronto has not said when Price will make his first start but Sunday is a possibility.

Marco Estrada (8-6) allowed two runs and three hits in 5 2-3 innings. Estrada left after Lorenzo Cain's two-out single in the sixth ended his run of 15 straight outs. Brett Cecil came on and retired Eric Hosmer.

LaTroy Hawkins pitched the seventh, Aaron Sanchez worked the eighth and Roberto Osuna finished for his sixth save.

TWINS 9
MARINERS 5

MINNEAPOLIS — Eddie Rosario finished a single shy of the cycle and drove in three runs to help the Minnesota Twins snap a four-game skid with a 9-5 victory over the Seattle Mariners on Thursday night.

Aaron Hicks and Brian Dozier also homered for the Twins, who had lost 10 of their previous 12 games. Phil Hughes (10-6) gave up five runs on 10 hits and struck out five in five innings and Joe Mauer extended his hitting streak to 11 games.

Austin Jackson and Seth Smith hit two-run homers for the Mariners, who traded outfielder Dustin Ackley to the New York Yankees before the game. J.A. Happ (4-6) gave up seven runs — six earned — on nine hits in 3 1/3 innings.

RED SOX 8
WHITE SOX 2

BOSTON — Xander Bogaerts and David Ortiz each had three hits and Boston beat Chris Sale, snapping Chicago's seven-game winning streak.

Knuckleballer Steven Wright (4-4) pitched seven effective innings in Boston's third win in 15 games. Brock Holt had a two-run single in a four-run sixth.

Jose Abreu hit a two-run homer in the first for the White Sox, who head home for a weekend series against the Yankees after a 7-1 road trip moved them into contention for an AL wild-card spot.

The first five batters reached in Boston's four-run sixth before Sale (9-6) was lifted. He allowed seven runs and 12 hits in his worst start since April.

TIGERS 9
ORIOLES 8

BALTIMORE — Yoenis Cespedes homered and drove in three runs and Detroit beat Baltimore after shifting into rebuilding mode by trading two of their beat pitchers.

Mired in fourth place in the AL Central, Detroit dealt starter David Price to Toronto and closer Joakim Soria to Pittsburgh the day before the non-waiver trade deadline.

General manager Dave Dombrowski conceded, "I would much rather be acquiring than I would be trading. But it's just where we are at this point."

After an active day of dealing, the Tigers kept busy on the bases. Detroit finished with 16 hits, including three apiece by Cespedes, Ian Kinsler and Jose Iglesias.

National League

PADRES 8
METS 7

NEW YORK — Justin Upton hit a three-run homer through a driving rain with two outs in the ninth inning, and the San Diego Padres stunned the New York Mets 8-7 Thursday as they overcame a six-run deficit during a game delayed nearly four hours by two storms.

With a darkening sky overhead, Jeurys Familia entered with a 7-5 lead and got two quick outs in the ninth before a torrential downpour stopped play. Frustrated, the Mets closer stood on the mound as the other players cleared the field.

When play resumed 44 minutes later, Derrick Norris fell behind 0-2 before singling for his career-high fifth hit. Matt Kemp singled as the rain began again and Upton, in what could be his final at-bat with the Padres, sent the first pitch soaring to right-center for San Diego's first lead.

Afrer Yangervis Solarte grounded out, play was halted again, this time for 2:52. Craig Kimbrel then was perfect in a 5-minute ninth for his 30th save, in front of just several hundred fans.

CUBS 5
BREWERS 2

MILWAUKEE — Anthony Rizzo hit a three-run homer with two out in the eighth inning, and the Chicago Cubs beat the Milwaukee Brewers 5-2 on Thursday night.

The Cubs won for the third time in four games since they were swept in a weekend series against lowly Philadelphia. Rizzo finished with three hits and Dexter Fowler went 2 for 4.

Jimmy Nelson pitched seven innings of two-hit ball for Milwaukee, but Chicago rallied in the eighth. Addison Russell and Fowler singled against Jeremy Jeffress before Will Smith (4-2) came in.

NATIONALS 1
MARLINS 0

MIAMI — Max Scherzer scattered three hits over seven innings, Jonathan Papelbon got his first save for Washington with a perfect ninth inning and the Nationals beat Miami.

Backed by Ryan Zimmerman's second-inning homer off Dan Haren, Scherzer (11-8) struck out six and lowered his ERA to 2.22.

Former closer Drew Storen pitched a perfect eighth, striking out two in his new setup role.

Papelbon, acquired Tuesday from Philadelphia, retired Ichiro Suzuki on a comebacker, got Christian Yelich to line out and struck out pinch-hitter Michael Morse for his 18th save in 18 chances this season.

Haren (7-7) gave up four hits in six innings and lowered his ERA to 3.42.

PHILLIES 4
BRAVES 1

PHILADELPHIA — Domonic Brown homered and Aaron Harang snapped his losing streak at eight starts, leading Philadelphia to a victory over Atlanta.

Carlos Ruiz had two RBIs and every Phillies starter had at least one hit as they won their 10th game in the 12 since the All-Star break.

Harang (5-11) was making his first start since going on the disabled list on July 2 with plantar fasciitis in his left foot. He allowed one run and nine hits with three strikeouts and one walk in five innings to earn his first victory since May 14.

REDS 15
PIRATES 5

CINCINNATI — Brandon Phillips hit a pair of three-run homers and drove in a career-high seven runs, powering the Reds to a victory that kept Pittsburgh winless in Cincinnati this season.

The Reds opened the season with a three-game sweep of the Pirates at Great American Ball Park. They improved to 4-0 on Thursday night by taking advantage of struggling A.J. Burnett (8-5), sending the Pirates to their most lopsided loss of the season.

MLB AT A GLANCE

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	57	44	.564	—
Baltimore	51	50	.505	6
Toronto	52	51	.505	6
Tampa Bay	51	52	.495	7
Boston	45	58	.437	13
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	61	40	.604	—
Minnesota	53	48	.525	8
Detroit	50	52	.490	11½
Chicago	49	51	.490	11½
Cleveland	46	54	.460	14½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	58	46	.583	—
Los Angeles	55	46	.545	2
Texas	49	52	.485	8
Seattle	48	57	.447	12
Oakland	45	57	.441	12½

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	54	49	.540	—
New York	52	50	.510	3
Atlanta	48	55	.451	9
Miami	42	60	.412	13
Philadelphia	38	64	.379	16½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	65	37	.637	—
Pittsburgh	59	42	.584	5½
Chicago	54	47	.535	10½
Cincinnati	45	56	.400	18
Milwaukee	44	59	.427	21½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	57	45	.559	—
San Francisco	56	45	.554	½
Arizona	49	51	.490	7
San Diego	49	53	.480	8
Colorado	43	57	.430	13

Thursday's scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Detroit 9, Baltimore 8
Toronto 5, Kansas City 2
Boston 8, Chicago White Sox 2
Texas 7, N.Y. Yankees 6
Houston 3, L.A. Angels 0
Minnesota 9, Seattle 5
Cleveland at Oakland, late

NATIONAL LEAGUE

San Diego 8, N.Y. Mets 7
Washington 1, Miami 0
Philadelphia 4, Atlanta 1
Cincinnati 15, Pittsburgh 5
St. Louis 5, Colorado 4
Chicago Cubs 5, Milwaukee 2

Today's games

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Detroit (Farmer 0-2) at Baltimore (W.Chen 5-6), 6:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Cueto 0-0) at Toronto (Hutchison 9-8), 6:07 p.m.
Tampa Bay (E.Ramirez 8-4) at Boston (E.Rodriguez 8-9), 6:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Eovaldi 10-2) at Chicago White Sox (Rodon 4-3), 7:10 p.m.
Seattle (T.Walker 7-7) at Minnesota (Milone 5-8), 7:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Salazar 8-8) at Oakland (Graveman 6-7), 8:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Atlanta (W.Perez 4-2) at Philadelphia (D.Buchanan 1-6), 6:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Locke 1-6) at Cincinnati (Lorenzen 5-8), 6:10 p.m.
San Diego (Kennedy 9-3) at Miami (Phelps 4-7), 6:10 p.m.
Washington (G.Gonzalez 8-4) at N.Y. Mets (Harvey 9-7), 6:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Hammel 5-6) at Milwaukee (Jungmann 5-2), 7:10 p.m.
Colorado (K.Kendrick 4-11) at St. Louis (Wacha 11-4), 7:16 p.m.

INTERLEAGUE

San Francisco (Bumgarner 11-5) at Texas (N.Martinez 5-6), 7:05 p.m.
Arizona (R.De La Rosa 8-5) at Houston (Feldman 4-6), 7:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Santiago 7-4) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 5-6), 8:10 p.m.

Texas box scores

RANGERS 7, YANKEES 6

New York	ab	r	h	bi
Ellsury cf	4	1	1	0
Gardnr lf	4	0	0	1
Alfaro dh	4	0	1	0
C'bung pr-dh	0	0	0	0
Texeir 1b	4	3	3	2
McCnn c	5	2	2	2
Beltran rf	4	0	1	0
Headly 3b	4	0	1	1
Gregrs ss	3	0	1	0
Drew 2b	3	0	1	0
Odor ph-2b	1	0	0	0
Clarke e	3	1	1	0
Totals	**36**	**6**	**11**	**6**

Texas	ab	r	h	bi
DShlds cf-lf	4	1	2	0
Andrus ss	5	1	3	0
Rickey lf	3	4	0	0
LMartn pr-cf	1	1	1	0
Beltre 3b	3	0	0	0
J.Rmrz dh	4	1	2	1
Rua rf	3	1	2	1
Morlnd ph-1b	1	0	0	0
Choo rf	3	1	1	1
Rosales 2b	3	0	0	0
Totals	**35**	**7**	**12**	**3**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	R	H	E
New York	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	6	11	0
Texas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	4	7	12	0

Two outs when winning run scored.
DP—New York 2, Texas 1. LOB—New York 9, Texas 8. 2B—Ellsbury (1), Rua (1), Rosales (2), Choo (10). 3B—McCann (1), J.Hamilton (4), Rua (4), Choo (10). SB—Andrus (11), Gardner.

New York	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Sabathia	5	9	5	5	4	3
Ju.Wilson	1⅓	0	1	1	1	2
Betancos BS,3-10	1-3	1	0	0	1	1
Goody L,0-1	1-3	0	1	1	1	1
A.Miller	2-3	2	0	0	1	0
Texas						
Gallardo	6	8	5	5	2	1
Kela	1	1	1	1	0	0
S.Freeman	1	2	0	0	1	1
Sh.Tolleson W,3-2	1	0	0	0	1	1

Sabathia pitched to 1 batter in the 6th.
Goody pitched to 1 batter in the 9th.
HBP—by Sabathia (Choo), by S.Freeman (Ellsbury). WP—Ju.Wilson.
T—3:31. A—34,407 (48,114).

ASTROS 3, ANGELS 0

Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi
Victorn lf	3	0	0	0
Calhon rf	4	0	1	0
Trout cf	3	0	0	0
Pujols 1b	4	0	0	0
Aybar ss	4	0	1	0
Cron dh	4	0	0	0
Iannet c	2	0	0	0
Giavtll 2b	3	0	1	0
Phivin 3b	2	0	0	0
Mrsnck cf	3	0	0	0
Totals	**29**	**0**	**3**	**0**

Houston	ab	r	h	bi
Altuve 2b	3	0	0	0
Tucker lf	4	0	2	0
Correa ss	4	0	1	0
Valbun 1b	3	0	0	0
Lowrie 3b	3	1	0	0
CRorns rf	4	0	1	0
Carter dh	3	0	0	0
MGnzlz ph-dh	2	1	1	0
JCastro c	4	1	1	3
Totals	**32**	**3**	**6**	**3**

Los Angeles	000	000	000	—0
Houston	000	000	00x	—3

Two outs when winning run scored.
E—Aybar (10), DP—Los Angeles 1. LOB—Los Angeles 6, Houston 8. HR—J.Castro (8).
S—Featherston.

Los Angeles	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Shoemaker	7	3	0	0	1	7
J.Smith	1	1	0	0	0	0
J.Alvarez L,2-2	2-3	0	1	1	1	1
Salas	0	2	2	2	0	0
Houston						
Kazmir	7 2-3	3	0	0	3	5
Neshek	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Gregerson W,4-1	1	0	0	0	0	1

Salas pitched to 2 batters in the 9th.
HBP—by Shoemaker (Altuve), WP—Kazmir.
T—3:02. A—27,398 (41,574).

Linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
TIGERS 9, ORIOLES 8

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NBA in Africa? 'Stay tuned' for game

By Gerald Imray
Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG — The NBA is in Africa for an exhibition, and NBA Commissioner Adam Silver expects more important games to come.

"Stay tuned," Silver said Thursday as 20 NBA stars, including Chris Paul and Luol Deng, prepare to play at a small arena in downtown Johannesburg — the first NBA game of any kind in Africa. "This is an experiment of sorts."

Although he didn't give an exact time frame, Silver said a pre-season game and then a regular-season game on the continent was the logical progression for the NBA, which is on a "fast track" to build a brand in soccer-crazy Africa.

"Part of why I'm here is to continue to investigate new facilities," Silver said. "We would want a larger, more modern arena for a regular or pre-season game here. And it's also to test the response here. These things just take time, but I'm very confident that in the not-too-distant future we will be playing, to begin with, a pre-season game on the continent of Africa."

Having already explored possibilities in China and Europe, Africa's next for the NBA, which has brought some big names to Johannesburg for Saturday's exhibition game at Ellis Park Arena.

There's Paul, an eight-time All Star, who will captain Team World. Deng, a two-time All Star, will lead a Team Africa. Pau and Marc Gasol have also made the trip, as has San Antonio Spurs coach Gregg Popovich and coach of the year Mike Budenholzer of the Atlanta Hawks. Also on the rosters are Al-Farouq Aminu and Giannis Antetokounmpo, who both have parents from Nigeria.

This game's the next step in the league's links to Africa that began with the first-round draft of Hakeem Olajuwon by the Houston Rockets in 1984, Silver said. Olajuwon, who is from Nigeria and is part of this trip to South Africa as an NBA ambassador, went on to become a two-time NBA champion and 12-time All Star.

The NBA's presence in Africa, and particularly southern Africa, is still comparatively small. On Saturday, the stars will play at an old, 4,000-seat arena, tiny for NBA standards. But it's sold out and it's a start, Silver told a small group of reporters at his hotel.

"What I'd like to see is a group of some of our very best players showcasing the game, demonstrating how fun and exciting the game is," Silver said. "The players are bringing their talents direct to Johannesburg as opposed to people getting it off media."

The low profile of the NBA in South Africa can also work in players' favor for now, with some of the NBA's top names walking around their hotel lobby in suburban Johannesburg unnoticed by locals.

Some of them will use the offseason trip to go on a safari and visit the foundation of late South African president Nelson Mandela, Silver said, among other excursions. There will also be visits to museums, and coaching clinics in poorer neighborhoods around Johannesburg. Even Silver, who got married recently, said he was taking the opportunity for a honeymoon after the game. He and his wife will go to the Seychelles, off the east coast of Africa.

Silver said there was a large amount of "symbolism" to the NBA's visit to Africa and its first game on the continent, comparing it in some ways to President Barack Obama's recent trips to Kenya and Ethiopia.

Woods gets hot, shoots 68 at Quicken Loans

By Ben Nuckols
Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Va. — Tiger Woods took a conservative 3-wood off the first hole at the Quicken Loans National when many players were hitting driver. No matter — he still pull-hooked it into the gallery, hit his second shot into a greenside bunker and lipped out a 5-footer for par before slamming his putter against his bag.

On the third hole, he missed the green well left and had to get up-and-down for bogey. A three-putt on No. 4 left him 3 over.

It was his final bogey of the day.

Woods got a fortunate deflection off a marshal left of the green on the par-5 fifth. He apologized, handed out an autographed glove and made his first birdie. Then he ran off five birdies in six holes around the turn for a 3-under 68. That left him five shots behind leaders Retief Goosen and Ryo Ishikawa at Robert Trent Jones Golf Club.

Woods said it was the first time since the Masters in April that he's turned a bad round into a good one.

"That's what scoring is all about," Woods said. "I made a lot of key putts today. I ran them by the hole but I made all the comebacks, and overall I felt like I hit the ball well enough to turn it around. It was nice to actually turn it around."

Woods is the host of the Quicken Loans National, which he won in 2009 and 2012 at Congressional in Maryland. The last of his 79 PGA Tour victories was nearly two years ago, and he has plummeted to 266th in the world.

Woods got up-and-down from a greenside bunker for birdie on the par-5 eighth. He made a 9-footer on 10 and a 7-footer on 11. He hit his approach to tap-in range on 12, the most difficult hole on the course, and ended the run with a 12-footer on 13. He two-putted for par on the final five holes.

The 68 was only his sixth round under 70 this year. He has had three scores of 80 or higher and has missed three cuts and withdrawn once in eight events.

In soft conditions with little wind, Woods' 68 was only good for a tie for 27th. Players were allowed to lift, clean and place their golf balls on the rain-softened fairways, and 81 of them managed to break par.

"We got the fresh greens tomorrow," said Woods, who played in the afternoon after a 95-minute rain delay. "Hopefully, go out there and post a low one."

RTJ is welcoming a regular PGA Tour event for the first time after hosting four Presidents Cups, most recently in 2005, and experience seemed to help. Goosen, who played in two of those events, had a bogey-free 63. Presidents Cup veterans Ernie Els and Justin Leonard were one shot back, along with Kevin Chappell.

Goosen, a 46-year-old two-time major champion, is finally feeling healthy after major back surgery in 2012. Always stoic on the course, he still has plenty of passion for the game, which he showed by qualifying for both the U.S. Open and the British Open.

"I'm lucky to be out here. Three, four years ago my career looked like it was at an end," said Goosen, whose last victory was in 2009. "I'm just glad I'm still out there and playing. Yeah, I just wish I was 10 years younger again."

Ishikawa, who started on the back nine, ran off six birdies in a row starting on the 14th hole. Then he made a hole-in-one on the 180-yard fourth, spinning an 8-iron 15 feet back into the cup for his first competitive ace in the United States.

At that point he was 8 under with five holes to go. He parred the last five.

"It took about two holes to make myself calm," he said. "No. 5 was a par 5, like a birdie hole, but it was kind of difficult for me to make a par right there."

Defending champion Justin Rose, the highest-ranked player in the field, was three shots back. So was Ollie Schneiderjans, making his second professional start.

Rickie Fowler also made an ace, kicking a 7-iron off the fringe and into the cup on the 184-yard ninth, his final hole of the day. He was four shots back after a 67 that could have been much better.

Fowler said his putter went cold after his victory at the Scottish Open, and on Thursday he missed four birdie putts from inside 15 feet in a five-hole stretch. Three of his four birdies were from inside 4 feet. Honoring a club golf tradition, he bought beer for the media to toast his hole-in-one.

"I hit a great shot. Get a little bit of a good kick. Hey, we'll take it," Fowler said. "Looking forward to getting back out tomorrow and see if we can get some putts to go."

GOLF SCORES

PGA

Quicken Loans National
Thursday
At Robert Trent Jones Golf Club
Shoal Creek, Ala.
Purse: $6.7 million
Yardage: 7,385; Par 71 (36-35)
First Round
a-denotes amateur

Retief Goosen	32-31—63
Ryo Ishikawa	33-30—63
Justin Leonard	33-31—64
Kevin Chappell	33-31—64
Ernie Els	33-31—64
Steve Wheatcroft	33-32—65
Jeff Overton	31-34—65
Mark Hubbard	32-33—65
Andy Sullivan	31-34—65
Patrick Rodgers	32-34—66
Greg Owen	34-32—66
Jonas Blixt	32-34—66
Justin Rose	32-34—66
Justin Thomas	32-34—66
Gonzalo Fdez-Castano	34-32—66
Arjun Atwal	31-35—66
Ollie Schniederjans	32-34—66
Jason Bohn	33-34—67
Rickie Fowler	33-34—67
Danny Lee	34-33—67
Pat Perez	35-32—67
John Peterson	35-32—67
Adam Hadwin	33-34—67
Robert Allenby	35-32—67
Charles Howell III	35-32—67
Bill Haas	35-32—67
Jason Gore	34-34—68
Chad Campbell	**33-35—68**
Mark Wilson	33-35—68
Seung-Yul Noh	34-34—68
Jonathan Byrd	36-32—68
Cameron Tringale	34-34—68
Jim Herman	36-32—68
S.J. Park	33-35—68
Daniel Summerhays	35-33—68
Nick Taylor	34-34—68
Tiger Woods	37-31—68
David Lingmerth	35-33—68
Steven Bowditch	34-34—68
Hudson Swafford	33-35—68
Will Wilcox	34-34—68
Whee Kim	36-32—68
Bryce Molder	35-34—69
Andres Romero	36-33—69
Brice Garnett	37-32—69
Brendon de Jonge	34-35—69
Aaron Baddeley	34-35—69
Spencer Levin	34-35—69
Angel Cabrera	35-34—69
Ben Crane	32-37—69
Chesson Hadley	35-34—69
K.J. Choi	36-33—69
Jonathan Randolph	33-36—69
Tom Hoge	35-34—69
William McGirt	36-33—69
Ricky Barnes	35-34—69
Sean O'Hair	34-35—69
Russell Knox	35-34—69
Fabian Gomez	35-34—69
Vijay Singh	35-34—69
Cameron Percy	35-34—69
Steven Alker	35-35—70
Vaughn Taylor	34-36—70
Brian Davis	34-36—70
Billy Hurley III	33-37—70
Brendan Steele	34-36—70
Sangmoon Bae	34-36—70
Harris English	35-35—70
Carl Pettersson	35-35—70
J.J. Henry	34-36—70
Brian Stuard	37-33—70
Martin Flores	39-31—70
Troy Merritt	36-34—70
John Huh	33-37—70
Bo Van Pelt	35-35—70
Robert Garrigus	32-38—70
Nicholas Thompson	36-34—70
Nick Watney	33-37—70
Gary Woodland	35-35—70
Martin Laird	34-36—70
Erik Compton	36-34—70
Michael Putnam	36-35—71
Shawn Stefani	38-33—71
Johnson Wagner	37-34—71
Tony Finau	34-37—71
Colt Knost	35-36—71
Carlos Ortiz	36-35—71
James Hahn	36-35—71
Scott Pinckney	37-34—71
Luke Guthrie	34-37—71
Jason Kokrak	38-33—71
Chad Collins	37-34—71
George McNeill	37-34—71
Jon Curran	36-35—71
Jimmy Walker	36-35—71
Kyle Reifers	35-36—71
Alex Prugh	36-36—72
Andres Gonzales	36-36—72
Jhonattan Vegas	37-35—72
John Merrick	34-38—72
Max Homa	35-37—72
Sam Saunders	35-37—72
Camilo Villegas	36-36—72
Daniel Berger	36-36—72
Chris Stroud	37-35—72
Ken Duke	35-38—73
Blayne Barber	37-36—73
a-Gunn Yang	36-37—73
Tim Wilkinson	37-36—73
Scott Langley	40-33—73
Stewart Cink	36-38—74
John Senden	35-39—74
Stephen Gallacher	36-38—74
Zac Blair	37-37—74
Charlie Beljan	36-38—74
Scott Brown	37-38—75
D.A. Points	38-38—76
Andrew Svoboda	40-37—77
Daniel Chopra	38-39—77
Michael Thompson	39-40—79

European PGA

Paul Lawrie Matchplay
Thursday
At Murcar Links Golf Course
Aberdeen, Scotland
Purse: $1 million
Yardage: 6,409; Par: 70
First Round

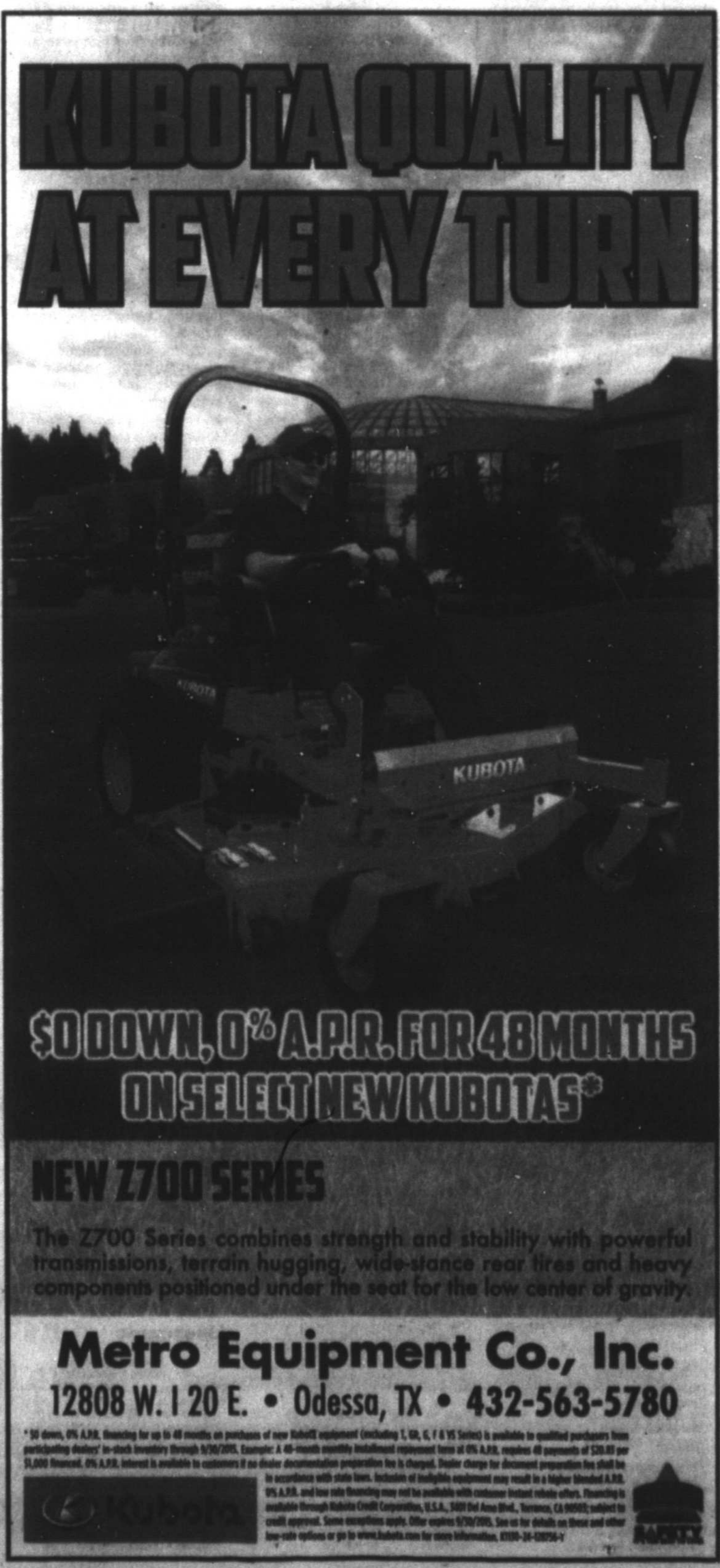
Julien Quesne def. Tom Lewis, 1 up
Jeev Milkha Singh def. Scott Hend, 1 up
Michael Hoey def. Maximilian Kieffer, 2 and 1
Kristoffer Broberg def. Richard Finch, 2 and 1
Richie Ramsay def. Shiv Kapur, 1 up
Edoardo Molinari def. Magnus A. Carlsson, 5 and 4
Matthew Fitzpatrick def. Bradley Dredge, 6 and 4
Peter Uihlein def. Oliver Wilson, 2 up
Chris Wood def. Jbe' Kruger, 5 and 4
Jorge Campillo def. John Daly, 2 up
Seve Benson def. Raphael Jacquelin, 2 and 1
Gregory Havret def. David Horsey, 5 and 4
Alexander Levy def. Mark Foster, 2 up
Morten Madsen def. Alvaro Quiros, 3 and 2
Tyrrell Hatton def. Darren Fichardt, 4 and 3
Mikael Lundberg def. Robert Rock, 3 and 1
Chris Doak def. Anthony Wall, 1 up
Paul Lawrie def. Romain Wattel, 5 and 4
Thomas Aiken def. Scott Jamieson, 3 and 2
Andrew Dodt def. Oliver Fisher, 1 up
Alejandro Canizares def. Lucas Bjerregaard, 7 and 6
Marcus Fraser def. Robert Karlsson, 3 and 2
Gregory Bourdy def. Nicolas Colsaerts, 2 and 1
Trevor Fisher, Jr. def. Thorbjorn Olesen, 2 up
David Howell def. Daniel Brooks, 1 up
David Drysdale def. Thomas Pieters, 1 up
Kiradech Aphibarnrat def. Wade Ormsby, 1 up
Graeme Storm def. Andrew Johnston, 1 up
James Morrison def. Pelle Edberg, 2 and 1
Johan Carlsson def. Marco Crespi, 3 and 1
Marc Warren def. Richard Bland, 1 up
Felipe Aguilar def. Fabrizio Zanotti, 1 up

Women's British Open

Thursday
At Trump Turnberry Ailsa Course
Turnberry, Scotland
Purse: $3 million
Yardage: 6,410; Par: 72 (36-36)
First Round
a-amateur

Hyo Joo Kim	33-32—65
Cristie Kerr	31-35—66
Lydia Ko	32-34—66
Q Baek	32-35—67
So Yeon Ryu	31-36—67
Katie Burnett	33-35—68
Jin Young Ko	33-35—68
Teresa Lu	34-34—68
Mika Miyazato	35-33—68
Azahara Munoz	35-33—68
Shiho Oyama	37-31—68
Florentyna Parker	34-34—68
Suzann Pettersen	36-32—68
Nicole Broch Larsen	36-33—69
Minjee Lee	33-36—69
Misuzu Narita	35-34—69
Anna Nordqvist	34-35—69
Inbee Park	35-34—69
Beatriz Recari	34-35—69
Klara Spilkova	36-33—69
Angela Stanford	38-31—69
Amy Yang	35-34—69
Julieta Granada	32-38—70
Juli Inkster	34-36—70
Danielle Kang	33-37—70
Nanna Koerstz Madsen	35-35—70
Jung-Min Lee	36-34—70
Mi Hyang Lee	35-35—70
Camilla Lennarth	36-34—70
Stacy Lewis	35-35—70
Mo Martin	36-34—70
Gwladys Nocera	36-34—70
Gerina Piller	37-33—70
Kelly W Shon	34-36—70
a-Luna Sobron	34-36—70
Alison Walshe	37-33—70
Amy Boulden	38-33—71
Paula Creamer	40-31—71
Shanshan Feng	34-37—71
He Na Jang	36-35—71
Eun-Hee Ji	35-36—71
Moriya Jutanugarn	35-36—71
Kim Kaufman	36-35—71
Stacey Keating	37-34—71
Christina Kim	36-35—71
Catriona Matthew	36-35—71
Jenny Shin	34-37—71
Marianne Skarpnord	33-38—71
Jennifer Song	35-36—71
Lexi Thompson	35-36—71
Sun Young Yoo	36-35—71
Yumiko Yoshida	36-35—71
Rebecca Artis	36-36—72
Minea Blomqvist	39-33—72
Carly Booth	37-35—72
Ssu-Chia Cheng	40-32—72
Chella Choi	35-37—72
Na Yeon Choi	34-38—72
In Gee Chun	38-34—72
Laura Davies	37-35—72
Charlotte Ellis	35-37—72
Jaye Marie Green	37-35—72
Mina Harigae	33-39—72
Nina Holleder	35-37—72
Tiffany Joh	36-36—72
Felicity Johnson	36-36—72
Jessica Korda	39-33—72
Candie Kung	35-37—72
Xi Yu Lin	37-35—72
Ai Miyazato	36-36—72
Jane Park	39-33—72
Lizette Salas	35-37—72
Alena Sharp	37-35—72
Ashleigh Simon	38-34—72
Yani Tseng	37-35—72
Sophie Walker	35-37—72
Ayaka Watanabe	37-35—72
Ursula Wikstrom	35-37—72
Sakura Yokorfine	36-36—72
Marina Alex	35-38—73
Maria Balikoeva	39-34—73
Natalie Gulbis	38-35—73
Caroline Hedwall	38-35—73
Brooke M. Henderson	39-34—73
Charley Hull	37-36—73
Mi Jung Hur	37-36—73
Alison Lee	37-36—73
Emily K. Pedersen	39-34—73
Melissa Reid	35-38—73
Ritsuko Ryu	37-36—73
Jenny Suh	37-36—73
Kelly Tan	37-36—73
Hannah Burke	35-39—74
Carlota Ciganda	36-38—74
Sandra Gal	35-39—74
a-Kristen Gillman	38-36—74
Georgia Hall	35-39—74
Wei-Ling Hsu	37-37—74
Karine Icher	35-39—74
Vikki Laing	38-36—74





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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Shark Tank		What Would You Do?		20/20		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	Elementary "The Female of the Species"		Hawaii Five-0 "Powehiwehi"		Blue Bloods "Power Players"		CBS 7 News	(:35) Hawaii Five-0 "Ka Makuakane"		(:35) J.Corden
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	A. Griffith	A. Griffith	The Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	Brady Bunch	The Brady Bunch	Carol Burnett	Perry Mason		McMillan and Wife
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Masterchef "Family Reunion"		Gotham "The Fearsome Dr. Crane"		Modern Family	Modern Family	Hot in Cleveland	Hot in Cleveland	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Mission: M25	All About Us	Update News	Sondra Baras	Light of the Southwest		Best of Week		Update News	BAS Presents	Walking	Y.Salamanca
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 at 6 p.m.		America's Got Talent Wayans joins 'AGT.'		"Judge Cuts 3" Marlon		Dateline NBC		NewsWest 9 at 10	(:35) The Tonight Show		(:35) Seth Meyers
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Business (N)	Euromaxx	Wash. Week (N)	Charlie Rose (N)	Virtuosity: The Cliburn The most gifted young pianist on the planet.			Vicious	Charlie Rose (N)		Newsline	Tavis Smiley
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	La sombra del pasado		Amores con trampa		Lo imperdonable		Yo no creo en los hombres		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Contacto	Deportivo
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FLIX	340	575		165		(5:00)	Restoration	★★ Last Holiday Queec Latifah.				★★★ The Associate Whoopi Goldberg.				★★★ Dick Tracy	
HBO	300	550	14	14		True Detective		True Detective		True Detective		★★★ Horrible Bosses 2			TheBrink	(:20) Ballers	Movie
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(4:45)	★★ Godzilla	Real Sports				★ The Drop ('14, Cri) Tom Hardy.				Ride Along Ice Cube.	Making
HBO5	304	552	16	102		(:05)	★★★★ Things We Lost in the Fire			(:55)	★★★ Atonement Keira Knightley.			(:15)	★ Endless Love ('14, Rom) Alex Pettyfer.		
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(5:45)	★★ RoboCop		★ Lucy Scarlett Johansson.			Strike Back (N)		Strike Back		StrikeBk	Movie
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(:20)	Strike Back	(:10)	Strike Back	StrikeBk	(:50)	★★ Blades of Glory Will Ferrell.			(:25)	★★★★ 25th Hour	
PLEX			96			(4:55)	★ Awakenings	★★ King Ralph			(:40)	★ Jury Duty Pauly Shore.		(:10)	★★ Midnight in Paris		Movie
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(4:30)	★ The Hurricane	Masters of Sex		★★★★ Schindler's List ('93, True) Ben Kingsley, Liam Neeson.						To Be Announced	
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(5:30)	★★★ Mr. Holland's Opus			★ Inside Llewyn Davis Carey Mulligan.				Genesis: Sum of the Parts		TBA	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Criminal Minds "Exit Wounds"		Criminal Minds "The Thirteenth Step"		Criminal Minds "Sense Memory"		Criminal Minds "Today I Do"		Criminal Minds "Coda"		Criminal Minds "The Thirteenth Step"	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(5:00)	★ National L...	★★★ National Lampoon's Vacation				★ National Lampoon's European Vacation				★ National Lamp...	
BET	58	-		40		★★ House Party 2:		The Pajama Jam Christopher Reid.		Game		Nellyville		Lip Sync	Desean	Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	76		41		H.Wives "Full Circle"		Real Housewives		Real Housewives		★★ Forgetting Sarah Marshall Jason Segel.				Movie	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Greed "The Car Con"		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed (N)		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		The Hunt		Death Row Stories		Crimes-Century		Crimes-Century	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Bush "Sink or Swim"		Alaskan Bush (N)		Lost Footage (N)		Treasure Quest		Alaskan Bush People		Treasure Quest	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	(5:10)	★ Wreck-It R...	★ Descendants ('15, Fam) Dove Cameron.				Bunk'd	Friends	Jessie	Liv/Mad	Girl	I Didn't
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	Special Olympics (L)		ESPN Films "Catching Hell"				Baseball Tonight (L)		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	NFL Insiders		NFL Live		CFL Football Saskatchewan Roughriders at Edmonton Eskimos (L)						Baseball Tonight (L)	
FAMILY	53	63	34	42	33	(5:00)	★ Coming to America	★★★ Pretty Woman ('90, Rom) Richard Gere.						The 700 Club		★ The Princess Bri...	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Diners...	Diners, Dr.	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Burgers	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Insider (N)	Pre-game (L)	MLB Baseball San Francisco Giants at Texas Rangers Site: Globe Life Park -- Arlington, Texas (L)						Rangers Live (L)	CowboysC ,Game365	Rangers Insider	Maveric- ks Insider
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(4:30)	★★★ Ted	★ That's My Boy ('12, Com) Andy Samberg, Adam Sandler.								★ That's My Boy ('12, Com) Adam Sandler.	
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	Waltons "The Tailspin"		The Waltons		Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Love It or List It, Too		Love/List "Money Pit"		Love It/ List It (N)		H.Hunt	House	H.Hunt	House	Love It or List It, Too	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Ancient Aliens		Aliens "Aliens B.C."		Ancient Aliens (N)		(:05) Miss. Alaska (N)		(:05) Ancient Aliens		Aliens "Aliens B.C."	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	Bring It! 2015	"Battle Royale	Bring It! (N)		Bring It! "A Whole New Doll Game" (N)		Atlanta Plastic (N)		Atlanta Plastic		Bring It!	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		Lockup		Lockup		Lockup	
NBCSN	38	43				NASCAR Racing U.S. Cellular 250		Mecum Auctions: Collector Cars and More "Harrisburg" (N)									
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	★★ The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie				F.House	F.House	Fresh P.	Fresh P.	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Jail	Jail
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00)	★ Unbreakable	Defiance (N)		Killjoys (N)		Dark Matter (N)		Defiance		Killjoys	
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Seln. "The Switch"	Seinf. "The Virgin"	Family Guy	Family Guy	★ Sherlock Holmes Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson search for a dangerous criminal known to use black magic.				★★★ Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows			
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:15)	★ Party Girl	★★★ Criss Cross			(:45)	★★★ Brute Force Burt Lancaster.				★★ Desperate Steve Brodie.	
TELE	20	-	10	20		Caso cerrado		Avenida Brasil		Bajo el mismo cielo		El señor de los cielos		Al rojo	(:35) Boxeo		
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	What Not to Wear "Heather M."		What Not to Wear "Jackie"		Love, Lust or	Brides/ Styled	Extreme I Do's		Love, Lust or	Brides/ Styled	Extreme I Do's	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(4:00)	★★★ The Help Emma Stone.	Cold Justice "Off the Beaten Path" (N)		Cold Justice "The Music Teacher" (N)		Cold Justice "Off the Beaten Path"		Cold Justice: Sex "The Music Teacher"		Hawaii Five-0 "Malama Ka Aina"	
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family "Hawaii"	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	NCIS: Los Angeles "Omni"	
WGN	19	85				America's Funniest Home Videos		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Mother "Karma"	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.

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AP Investigation: Olympic teams to swim, boat in Rio's filth

By Brad Brooks and Jenny Barchfield
Associated Press

RIO DE JANEIRO — The waters where Olympians will compete in swimming and boating events next summer in South America's first games are rife with human sewage and present a serious health risk for athletes, an Associated Press investigation has found.

The AP analysis of water quality revealed dangerously high levels of viruses and bacteria from sewage in venues where athletes will compete in water sports. Nevertheless, an Olympic official said Thursday there are no plans to monitor for viruses, which many experts consider the biggest problem.

In the first independent comprehensive testing for both viruses and bacteria at the Olympic sites, the AP conducted four rounds of tests starting in March. The results have alarmed international experts and dismayed competitors training in Rio, some of whom have already have fallen ill with fevers, vomiting and diarrhea.

These ailments could knock an athlete out for days, potentially curtailing Olympics dreams and the years of hard training behind them.

"This is by far the worst water quality we've ever seen in our sailing careers," said Ivan Bulaja, a coach for the Austrian team, which has spent months training on the Guanabara Bay. "I am quite sure if you swim in this water and it goes into your mouth or nose that quite a lot of bad things are coming inside your body."

Sailor David Hussl has already fallen ill.

Water pollution has long plagued Brazil's urban areas, where most sewage isn't collected, let alone treated. In Rio, much of the waste runs through open-air ditches to fetid streams and rivers that feed the Olympic water sites and blight the city's picture postcard beaches.

The Rio de Janeiro state environmental agency released a statement Thursday questioning the AP's testing and accused virologist Fernando Spilki, who carried out the testing, and his university of "seeking notoriety."

Spilki, a respected scientist who is a board member of the Brazilian Society for Virology and editor of its scientific journal, is not being paid by the AP to conduct the testing.

The environmental agency's note underscored its position that the Olympic waters are safe, "with the exception of the Marina da Gloria," where sailing competitions will kick off and which as recently as May was six times above Brazil's legal limit for fecal coliforms. In June, it was slightly above the limit.

The agency did not mention that the government's own data shows that on eight occasions this year, most recently on June 25, the waters in Copacabana Beach where long-distance swim events will be held spiked above the legal bacteria limits — considered unsafe for bathers.

Mario Moscatelli, a biologist who has spent 20 years lobbying for a cleanup of Rio's waterways, said the state environmental agency was trying to divert attention from the serious pollution problem affecting water.

"For years now we've seen the flow of raw sewage, which contains fecal coliforms and other bacteria, viruses, protozoa and an infinite number of pathogenic microorganisms that can cause everything from ringworm to hepatitis," Moscatelli said.

Dr. Richard Budgett, medical director for the International Olympic Committee, said after seeing the AP findings that IOC and Brazilian authorities would stick to their program of testing only for bacteria to determine whether the water is safe, as that is the accepted norm globally.

WHO didn't respond to repeated emailed and phoned requests for comment.

Budgett's advice for athletes who will compete in the virus-laden waters? "Washing your hands is an extremely important part of reducing the risk of infection of any sort," he said.

Water experts say such safeguards aren't enough to protect athletes who get drenched during competitions and have an almost certain chance of being infected by the viruses entering their mouths, nose, cuts on skin or any opening of the body.

Brazilian authorities had pledged that a major overhaul of the city's waterways would be among the Olympics' most significant legacies. But the stench of raw sewage still greets travelers arriving at Rio's international airport. Prime beaches remain deserted because the surf is thick with putrid sludge, and periodic die-offs leave the Olympic lake littered with rotting fish.

More than 10,000 athletes hailing from over 200 countries are expected to compete in the Aug. 5-21, 2016, games. Nearly 1,400 of them will come into contact with waters contaminated by rampant sewage pollution as they sail in the Guanabara Bay; swim off of Copacabana Beach; and canoe and row on the brackish waters of the Rodrigo de Freitas Lake. Starting next week, hundreds of athletes will take to the waters in Olympic trial events.

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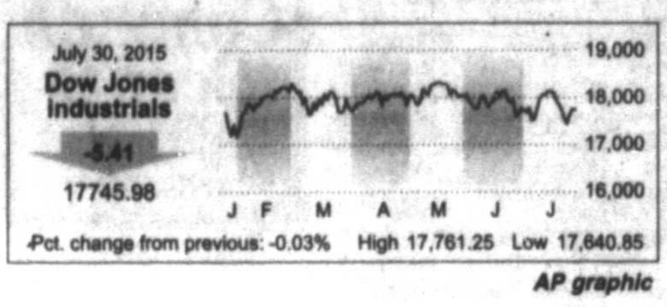

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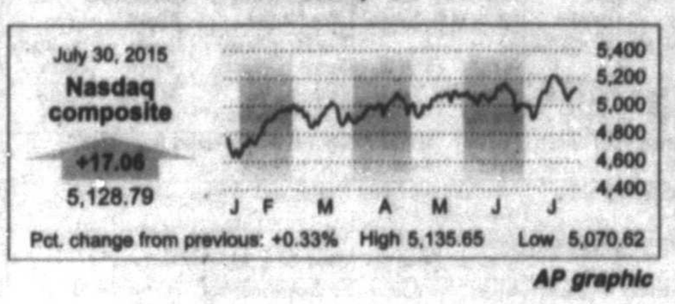

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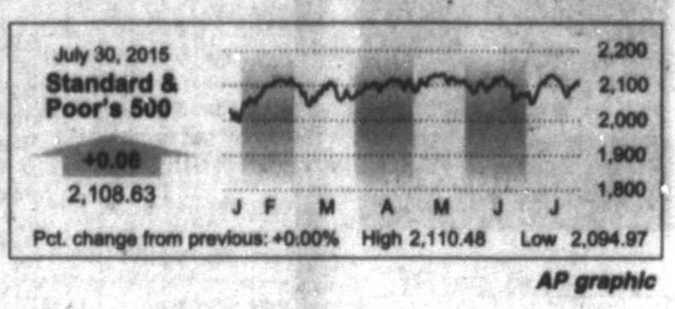

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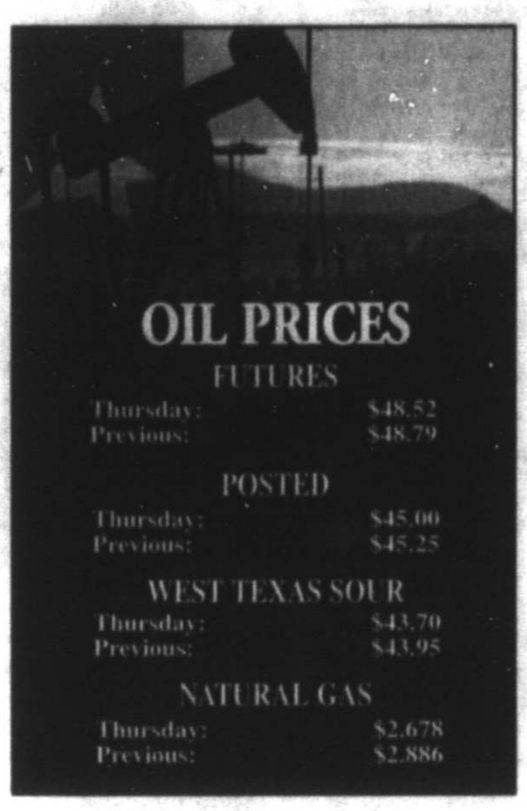

Shell to ax thousands of jobs amid spending cuts

By Jordan Blum
Houston Chronicle

Royal Dutch Shell is cutting more than 6,500 jobs globally as it prepares for an ongoing "oil price downturn that could last for several years," said CEO Ben van Beurden on Thursday.

Shell is slashing its 2015 capital spending by an additional $3 billion down to $30 billion — a $7 billion total, or 20 percent cut, from last year — as it prepares for a wave of $30 billion in asset sales once its completes its $70 billion acquisition of London-based BG Group early next year.

Although Shell will not break down its job cuts by region, the reductions include 1,630 full-time staffers, 2,435 direct contractors, and another 2,460 in lost jobs through divesting parts of the Netherlands-based energy giant. Some of the cuts came earlier this year. Shell has about 94,000 global workers, including nearly 12,000 in the Houston region.

While Shell is becoming leaner and more focused, even with the BG deal, in its emphases on deep-water production and liquefied natural gas, van Beurden still said he expects oil prices to increase a lot from the current $50 or so per barrel.

Van Beurden said he sees an eventual floor for oil prices at $70 barrel that could go as high as $90 because demand will eventually catch up with ongoing production cutbacks, but he is not predicting when that will occur.

"At some point in time, the market is going to balance," he said. "But what I do know is I have to survive at today's oil prices as well."

Shell has largely scaled back from U.S. shale, although there have been some successes in Texas' Permian Basin. Van Beurden noted that shale has high decline rates in production and that constant investments are needed. He questioned how long the capital market will keep funding the "scheme."

Shell's net income for the second quarter of the year was $4.1 billion, or 63 cents a share, down 23 percent from $5.3 billion, or 84 cents a share, from the same quarter last year. But the numbers exceeded analysts' estimates. Revenues dipped more than 35 percent from $115 billion in last year's second quarter to $74 billion this year.

Houston-based Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. praised Shell for moving more aggressively to cut costs and capital for the low oil price environment, especially because Shell has suffered from a perception that its capital discipline was poor relative to peers and that the BG deal was struck assuming higher oil prices.

In a note, Simmons & Company International analyst Guy Baber said Shell's exploration and production revenues proved more resilient than expected and that its refining, lubricants and retail businesses performed admirably.

As a result, Shell shares were trading more than 3 percent higher on the day after the earnings were released.

"We're delivering on the growth plans, but we're doing it for less money," said Shell Chief Financial Officer Simon Henry.

As such, Shell also announced it is selling most of its stake in Japan-based Showa Shell Sekiyu, which is largely a refining business, for $1.4 billion to Tokyo-based Idemitsu Kosan.

With the BG deal, Shell will lean harder on LNG. The deal will Shell stronger positions in Australia LNG and in deep-water Brazil.

Stocks end mostly flat

Stocks ended the day mostly flat on Thursday, recovering from broad losses earlier in the day. Investors continue to focus on corporate earnings, and Thursday's batch brought mostly disappointing results from Procter & Gamble, Facebook and others.

The Dow Jones industrial average lost 5.41 points, less than 0.1 percent, to end at 17,745.98. The index had been down 110 points at the beginning of the day.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index closed effectively unchanged, up 0.06 of a point at 2,108.63. The Nasdaq composite rose 17.05 points, or 0.3 percent, to 5,128.78.

Several companies made big moves after reporting their quarterly results. This is the busiest week for corporate earnings, with 174 members of the S&P 500 reporting.

Consumer products giant Procter & Gamble fell $3.23, or 4 percent, to $77.39. The maker of Tide detergent and Gillette razors reported softer sales than Wall Street analysts had expected. The company, like many others, has been negatively affected by the strong dollar, which makes U.S. products more expensive abroad.

Metals end mostly lower

Precious and industrial metals futures ended mostly lower. Gold lost $4.60 to settle at $1,088.70 an ounce, silver gave up five cents to settle at $14.70 an ounce and copper fell three cents to $2.38 a pound.

NYSE

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
S&P500ETF	852869	210.82	+.05
BkofAm	640323	18.13	-.03
CSVLgNGs	618390	1.99	-.16
MktVGold	575635	13.46	-.51
CSVLgCrde	422157	1.67	-.03

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Intelsat	9.66	+2.02	+26.4
MidcstEn	12.40	+2.49	+25.1
Intelsat pfA	27.35	+5.23	+23.6
Vonage	6.23	+1.06	+20.5
RuckusW	12.27	+1.95	+18.9

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ITT Ed	3.90	-1.77	-31.2
InvTech	18.36	-5.64	-23.5
TAL Intl	22.95	-3.81	-14.2
CliffsNRs	2.65	-.37	-12.3
Cliffs pfA	2.62	-.32	-10.9

Diary

Advanced	1,583
Declined	1,541
Unchanged	111
Total issues	3,235
New Highs	85
New Lows	79
Volume	3,516,717,471

Amex

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
CheniereEn	52551	70.16	+2.07
NwGold g	45787	2.20	-.03
Globalstar	23860	2.13	+.02
BarcGSOil	21738	9.52	-.08
NthnO&G	15903	5.03	-.37

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
GigOptics	2.23	+.32	+16.8
LucasE rs	2.10	+.23	+12.3
ImpacMtg	24.08	+2.24	+10.3
BioPhrmX	2.27	+.21	+10.2
OrchidsPP	25.75	+2.22	+9.4

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
GreenH pfC	13.07	-1.88	-12.6
NovaGld g	2.96	-.23	-7.2
NthnO&G	5.03	-.37	-6.9
MagHR pfE	11.76	-.83	-6.6
Medgen wt	2.65	-.17	-6.0

Diary

Advanced	175
Declined	201
Unchanged	34
Total issues	410
New Highs	2
New Lows	8
Volume	66,939,689

Nasdaq

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Facebook	819476	95.21	-1.76
Microsoft	392223	46.88	+.59
SiriusXM	370298	3.97	+.02
WholeFood	338133	36.08	-4.74
Apple Inc	314366	122.37	-.62

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
H&E Eqp	17.56	+3.35	+23.6
Sinomyx	5.72	+1.08	+23.3
eHealth	15.50	+2.83	+22.3
NutriSyst	30.74	+5.53	+21.9
OpenText	45.73	+8.10	+21.5

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
LnnCo	4.41	-1.83	-29.3
LDiNEnrgy	4.76	-1.70	-26.3
FrdmMed	22.30	-7.00	-23.9
CodeRebn	8.68	-2.37	-21.4
IxysCp	10.77	-2.72	-20.2

Diary

Advanced	1,443
Declined	1,343
Unchanged	170
Total issues	2,956
New Highs	64
New Lows	82
Volume	1,867,928,214

ConocoPhillips reports 2Q loss, tops Wall Street expectations

Associated Press

HOUSTON — ConocoPhillips lost $179 million in the second quarter, after booking a profit in the same period last year, as a sizeable drop in oil prices weighed on the energy company's results.

Oil prices have plunged globally over the past year, and the Houston company said Thursday that its total realized price per barrel of oil equivalent was down 44 percent in the second quarter to $39.09. That compares to $70.17 in last year's quarter, when the company earned $2.08 billion.

Earnings in this year's quarter, adjusted for asset impairment costs and pretax expenses, came to 7 cents per share.

That topped expectations on Wall Street. Analysts there forecast, on average, earnings of 5 cents per share, according to Zacks Investment Research.

ConocoPhillips countered some of the hit from oil prices by cutting expenses. Operating costs fell 11 percent in the quarter to $2.16 billion.

The energy company posted revenue of $8.66 billion in the most recent quarter, down from $14.7 billion a year ago.

Shares of ConocoPhillips edged down 3 cents to $52.87 in morning trading shortly after the market opened.

The stock price has decreased 23 percent since the beginning of the year, while the Standard & Poor's 500 index has increased slightly more than 2 percent. The stock has declined 38 percent in the last 12 months.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $40.73 Down 0.41

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $108.45 Up 1.67

Dawson Operating (DWSN)
Closing Price $4.13 Down 0.05

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $67.68 Up 0.03

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $8.49 Down 0.58

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $2.45 Unchanged

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $20.44 Up 0.02

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $24.97 Up 0.06

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $8.83 Down 0.44

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
Closing Price $15.60 Up 0.21

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AK Steel			3.13	-.11	-47.3
AT&T Inc	1.88	35	34.80	+.11	+3.6
Abraxas	...	4	2.04	-.07	-30.6
AdaDvsEq	1.17e	...	14.15	-.04	+3.4
AMD			1.93	-.03	-27.7
Alcoa	12	14	9.98	-.18	-36.8
AlonUSA	60f	20	18.51	-.25	+46.1
Ambev	.24e	...	5.59	-.01	-9.4
Amgen	**3.16**	**23**	**171.69**	**+.22**	**+7.8**
Anadarko	**1.08**	**...**	**76.63**	**+.35**	**-7.1**
Apache	**1.00**	**...**	**46.48**	**-.31**	**-25.8**
Apple Inc	2.08	14	122.37	-.82	+10.9
ApldMatl	**.40**	**17**	**17.57**	**+.02**	**-29.5**
ArmourRsd	.48	...	2.83	+.13	-23.1
ATMOS	**1.56**	**18**	**54.66**	**...**	**-1.9**
AutoData	1.96	27	80.13	-2.21	-3.9
BP PLC	**2.40**	**...**	**37.68**	**+.29**	**-1.2**
BabcCCInv	1.20	...	16.21	+.15	+2.0
BakrHu	.68	61	58.69	-.98	+4.7
BkofAm	.20	19	18.13	-.03	+1.3
B rPVarST	...	...	16.05	-.11	-49.1
BarrickG	.20	44	7.05	-.18	-34.4
BasicEnSv	...	...	5.93	-.32	-15.4
Baxter s	.46	10	40.01	+1.51	+1.7
BerkHa A	**...**	**172147**	**45.00**	**+425.00**	**-5.0**
BlkHillsCp	**1.62**	**14**	**40.92**	**-.06**	**-22.9**
BrlfgSq	**1.48**	**60**	**64.46**	**-.43**	**+9.2**
BrownFA	**1.26**	**37**	**117.31**	**+1.45**	**+33.7**
BrownFB	**1.26**	**33**	**106.76**	**+.88**	**+21.5**
CVS Health	1.40	28	112.94	-.51	+17.3
Cameron	...	13	50.67	-.32	+1.4
Caterpillar	3.08f	13	78.35	+1.02	-14.4
Celestic g	...	16	13.18	-.27	+12.3
Cemex	.40t	...	8.32	+.19	-15.1
CntryLink	2.16	21	28.16	...	-28.9
ChesEng	...	...	8.97	-.18	-54.2
Chevron	**4.28**	**10**	**93.03**	**-.22**	**-17.1**
Chicos	.31	35	15.24	+.14	-6.0
Cimarex	.64	...	105.77	-.03	-.2
Cisco	.84	17	28.30	-.10	+2.4
CitizFin n	.40	19	25.49	+.59	+6.6
ClayEng	**...**	**95**	**40.73**	**+.41**	**-36.2**
CocaCola	1.32	24	40.86	-.09	-3.9
ColgPalm	**1.52**	**27**	**66.02**	**-.91**	**-1.7**
ConAgra	**1.00**	**30**	**44.44**	**+.31**	**+22.5**
ConchoRes	**...**	**27**	**108.45**	**+1.67**	**+8.7**
ConocoPhil	**2.96f**	**13**	**52.07**	**-.83**	**-24.6**
CrackerB	4.40f	23	151.28	-.15	+7.5
CSVLgNGs	...	...	1.99	-.16	-50.0
CSVLgCrde	...	...	1.67	-.03	-65.8
CSVelIVST	...	...	47.97	+.32	+54.0
CrosTim	**2.02e**	**7**	**15.57**	**-.01**	**-10.1**
DCP Mid	3.12	12	30.77	-.15	-32.3
DTE	2.92f	16	79.55	+.24	-7.9
Dataram	...	...	1.89	+.04	+11.2
DenburyR	.25	2	4.17	+.03	-48.7
DevonE	**.96**	**...**	**50.81**	**-.57**	**-17.3**
DrGldBull	...	...	3.25	-.35	-70.9
Disney	**1.32f**	**20**	**120.03**	**+.19**	**+27.4**
DowChm	**1.68**	**14**	**47.42**	**-.01**	**+4.0**
EOG Resrc	**.67**	**15**	**78.54**	**+.80**	**-14.7**
EmpDist	**1.04**	**16**	**22.51**	**+.06**	**-24.3**
Energen	.08	33	57.00	-.16	-10.6
EngyTsfr	4.14f	66	51.42	-.92	-20.9
EnPro	**.60**	**71**	**51.70**	**+.11**	**-17.8**
EntPrsPt s	1.52f	21	28.92	-.50	-19.9
Ericsson	.39e	...	10.74	+.13	-11.2
ExterranH	**.60**	**18**	**25.00**	**+.18**	**-23.3**
ExxonMbl	**2.92**	**12**	**83.01**	**-.13**	**-10.2**
Facebook	...	97	95.21	-1.76	+22.0
FordM	.60	16	15.10	-.11	-2.6
FrptMcM	.20a	...	11.84	-.56	-49.3
GATX	**1.52**	**11**	**52.31**	**-.42**	**-9.1**
GabMutT	**1.05e**	**...**	**6.90**	**+.08**	**-10.3**
GAInv	**3.50e**	**...**	**34.41**	**+.02**	**+1.7**
GenElec	**.92**	**...**	**26.12**	**+.14**	**+8.4**
GtPlainEn	**.88**	**17**	**25.83**	**+.13**	**-8.1**
HaleonRes	...	...	1.05	+.02	-41.0
Hallibrtn	**.72**	**19**	**42.29**	**-1.00**	**+7.5**
Hilton	.28	40	26.54	-1.17	+1.7
Hologic	...	87	40.75	+2.72	+52.4
HostHotls	.80a	13	19.55	-.88	-17.8
iShBrazil	1.03e	...	28.51	-.58	-22.0
iShJapan	.13e	...	12.83	+.02	+14.1
iShChinaLC	.76e	...	40.64	-.63	-2.4
iShEMkts	.84e	...	36.72	-.37	-8.5
iS Eafe	1.70e	...	64.40	-.05	+5.9
iShR2K	1.66e	...	122.29	+.35	+2.2
Intel	**.96**	**12**	**28.91**	**-.10**	**-20.3**
InterDig	.80	...	56.18	-.90	+6.2
JohnJn	**3.00**	**18**	**99.84**	**+.11**	**-4.5**
KimbClk	**3.52**	**61**	**114.57**	**+1.07**	**-.8**
KindMorg	1.96f	45	35.03	-.21	-17.2
LegacyRes	1.40	...	8.49	-.56	-25.7
LinnEngy	1.25	...	4.76	-1.70	-53.0
Lubys	**...**	**...**	**4.92**	**+.02**	**+8.1**
MGM Rsts	...	...	19.65	+1.43	-8.1
Manitowoc	.08	18	16.97	-.40	-23.2
MVJrGold	...	...	18.98	-.68	-20.7
MktVGold	.12e	...	13.46	-.51	-26.8
McDnlds	3.40	22	99.17	+.96	+5.6
Merck	1.80	17	58.52	-.02	+3.0
MerltMed	**...**	**38**	**25.17**	**+.32**	**+46.2**
MexcoEn	...	...	2.45	...	-54.9
MicronT	...	7	19.90	+.03	-43.2
Microsoft	1.24	32	46.88	+.59	+.9
Mondelez	.68f	33	45.27	+2.17	+24.6
Nabors	.24	9	11.81	-.45	-9.0
NatGrid	**3.35e**	**...**	**66.93**	**+.15**	**-6.7**
NOilVarco	1.84	10	43.39	-.50	-33.8
Netflix s	...	...	111.56	+4.48	+128.6
NobleCorp	1.50	...	12.39	-.85	-25.2
NoklaCp	.16e	...	7.03	+.44	+10.6
NvMAd	**.79e**	**...**	**13.18**	**+.06**	**-3.5**
NvPMI	**.82e**	**...**	**13.14**	**-.01**	**-5.9**
NuvPI	**.82e**	**...**	**13.22**	**+.04**	**-4.6**
NSTFI3	**.66e**	**...**	**13.69**	**+.02**	**-3.9**
NTXQI	**.65e**	**...**	**13.74**	**...**	**-5.0**
OasisPet	**...**	**3**	**9.91**	**-.49**	**-40.1**
OcciPet	**3.00**	**18**	**71.40**	**+.84**	**-11.4**
Oracle	.60	18	39.65	-.14	-11.8
ParTech	**...**	**...**	**4.51**	**+.09**	**-26.7**
ParkDri	**...**	**8**	**2.61**	**-.09**	**-15.0**
PattUTI	**.40**	**39**	**16.93**	**-.35**	**+2.0**
PayPal n	...	...	38.45	+.50	+4.7
PennVa	...	...	1.36	-.65	-79.3
PenneRE	**.84**	**...**	**21.50**	**-.12**	**-8.4**
Prmian	.59e	8	7.01	...	-26.6
PetrbrsA	...	...	6.22	-.16	-17.9
Petrobras	...	...	6.88	-.22	-6.2
Pfizer	1.12	25	35.73	-.08	+14.7
PioNtrl	.08	26	129.94	-.62	-12.7
PlainsAAP	**2.78f**	**19**	**41.82**	**-.80**	**-18.6**
PwSha QQQ	1.50e	...	112.08	+.53	+8.6
Praxair	**2.88**	**21**	**114.27**	**-1.66**	**-11.8**
PrmEgy	**...**	**...**	**58.25**	**+2.51**	**-19.9**
ProctGam	**2.65**	**24**	**77.39**	**-3.23**	**-15.0**
Qualcom	1.92	18	64.41	+1.24	-13.3
RangeRs	.16	57	39.85	-2.79	-25.4
RiteAid	...	24	8.96	+.09	+19.1
Rowan	.40	...	17.73	-.49	-24.0
RoyDShlA	3.76	12	57.37	+1.97	-14.3
SpdrDJIA	3.67e	...	177.22	-.04	-.4
S&P500ETF	4.03e	...	210.82	+.05	+2.6
SabnR	3.68e	6	34.31	-.76	-4.1
SanderFn	**.88e**	**5**	**71.39**	**+.45**	**-15.0**
SandRidge	**...**	**...**	**.56**	**-.07**	**-69.3**
Schlmbrg	2.00	23	83.52	-.37	-2.2
SeadrlWLtd	...	3	9.34	-.27	-21.8
SigmaAld	**.92**	**34**	**139.67**	**+.09**	**+1.7**
SiriusXM	...	44	3.97	+.02	+13.4
Smucker	2.68f	31	110.76	+.99	+9.7
Sprint	...	...	3.43	-.05	-17.3
SP Engy	1.99e	...	70.93	-.50	-10.4
SPDR Frncl	.43e	...	25.29	...	+2.3
SunEdison	...	...	25.63	+.08	+31.4
SunocoLog	1.75f	...	37.06	-.43	-11.2
SynrgyPh	...	...	8.59	+.38	+181.6
TalwSemi	.73e	...	22.70	+.59	+1.4
TelefBrasil	1.82e	...	13.08	-.24	-25.3
TelefEsp	**1.03e**	**...**	**15.12**	**-.04**	**+8.4**
Tesoro	1.70	14	96.23	-1.53	+29.4
TevaPhrm	1.35e	22	69.07	-1.81	+20.1
3M Co	4.10	20	151.57	+.12	-7.8
Torchmark	**.54**	**15**	**61.79**	**+.32**	**+14.1**
Transocn	.80m	...	13.95	-.51	-23.9
TriContl	**.80e**	**...**	**21.29**	**+.04**	**-.8**
21stCFoxA	.30	8	34.04	+.03	-11.4
Twitter	...	...	31.47	+.23	-12.3
TylerTech	**...**	**69**	**149.22**	**+3.21**	**+59.1**
UBWV	**1.28**	**21**	**40.44**	**+.13**	**+8.0**
US OilFd	...	...	16.10	-.14	-20.9
USSteel	.20	...	20.09	+.05	-24.9
Vale SA	.50e	...	5.19	-.36	-36.6
ValeroE	1.60	9	64.23	-1.81	+29.8
VulcanM	**.40**	**88**	**91.50**	**+.38**	**+39.2**
WEC Engy	1.69	19	48.77	+.51	-7.5
WalgBoots	1.44f	33	86.54	-.04	+26.7
WstnRefin	1.36	7	43.96	-.47	+16.4
WhitingPet	...	9	22.38	-.80	-32.2
WholeFood	.52	21	36.08	-4.74	-28.4
WmaCos	2.36f	96	52.98	-1.03	+17.9
XcelEngy	**1.28**	**19**	**34.21**	**+.49**	**-4.8**
Xerox	**.28**	**20**	**10.77**	**+.01**	**-22.3**

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
18,351.36	15,855.12	Dow Jones Industrials	17,745.98	-5.41	-.03	+.43	+7.14
9,310.22	7,700.57	Dow Jones Transportation	8,419.78	-1.09	-.01	-7.88	+3.41
657.17	524.82	Dow Jones Utilities	578.98	+3.68	+.64	-8.34	+7.34
11,254.87	9,886.09	NYSE Composite	10,881.75	-2.16	-.02	+.39	+1.45
5,231.94	4,116.80	Nasdaq Composite	5,128.79	+17.06	+.33	+8.20	+17.37
2,134.72	1,820.66	S&P 500	2,108.63	+.06	...	+2.42	+8.22
1,561.26	1,269.45	S&P Midcap	1,500.29	+2.62	+.17	+3.29	+9.45
22,537.15	19,160.13	Wilshire 5000	22,205.86	+13.47	+.06	+2.47	+8.79
1,298.00	1,040.47	Russell 2000	1,232.07	+2.47	+.20	+2.27	+10.00

TODAY: Mostly sunny High: 99 Low: 76
SATURDAY: Mostly sunny High: 98 Low: 76
SUNDAY: Mostly sunny High: 100 Low: 76
MONDAY: Mostly sunny High: 99 Low: 77
TUESDAY: Mostly sunny High: 99 Low: 76
WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny High: 98 Low: 76

Local forecast

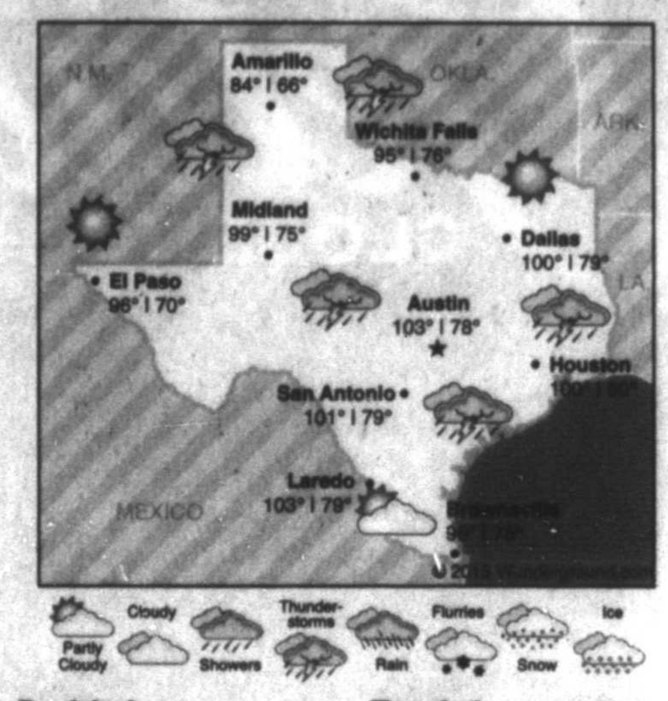
High temperatures nearing triple digits are in the forecast for Sunday. The National Weather Service also is forecasting a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms Saturday and Sunday.

The high on Thursday reached 99, while the low was 74. The record high for July 30 is 106 set in 1937. The record low is 59 set in 1971. Last year on July 30, the high was 102 and the low was 94.

Weather Why

Q: Are the "dog days" really the hottest time of the year?

Almost always, said Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "Today, we usually mark the 'dog days' as occurring from July 3 to the middle of August, but other countries mark them differently," he said. "It is usually the hottest and most uncomfortable time of the year. That's why 'dog days' also refer to periods of any inactivity or a slow time of the year. For decades, the term has been used on Wall Street to refer to very slow times of economic activity in the stock market, and brokers call non-moving stocks 'dogs' in reference to the 'dog days' of summer."



Precipitation

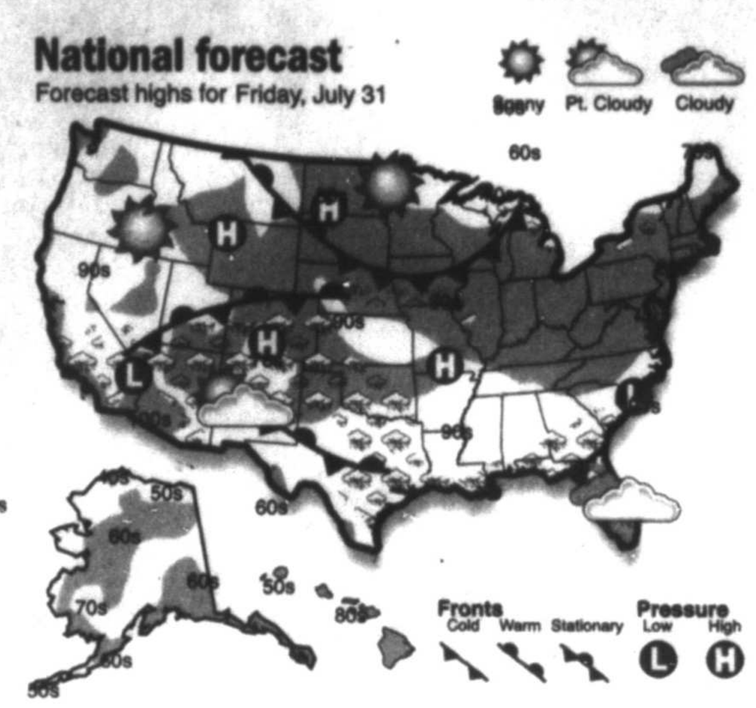
Wednesday	0.02 in.
Thursday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.54 in.
Year total	12.82 in.
Normal total (year to date)	7.82 in.

Thursday's temperatures

High	99
Low	74
Normal high	95
Normal low	70
Sunrise	7:03 a.m.
Sunset	8:46 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, July 31



Boyfriend reveals that his soul mate died years ago

DEAR ABBY

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DEAR ABBY: I have been close to my best friend for three years. A year ago we decided to date. We have a wonderful relationship on almost every level. The only issue I have is that he's reluctant to open up about his past. He is a very private person, and I know it's because of his upbringing. This has sparked many debates between us that have ended less than pleasantly.

Recently, he did open up, and when he did, he dropped a bomb. He asked me if I believed in soul mates, and I said yes. Then he told me about how in his past there was a girl he loved very much. Sadly, she died. He said he sees this girl as his soul mate, but he doesn't think it lessens any of his love for me.

This was the first time he opened up to me. Now that it has sunk in, I'm hurt. I already have self-confidence issues, and I worry that since I am not her, I'm not enough. I can't live up to a dead woman.

I always thought I could change his closed ways, but now, knowing the cause, I fear there is nothing I can do to help him. Maybe he's just too messed up for me. I don't know what to do. Can someone have two soul mates? — NOT HIS SOUL MATE

DEAR NOT HIS SOUL MATE: Please do not allow your self-confidence issues to ruin your relationship, because from where I sit, it appears you're looking for a way to push this man away. So what if he had a romance that ended tragically? She's dead — gone! And you're very much alive. Stop competing with her.

If there is one thing I have learned, it is that we cannot change other people. He doesn't need your help; he needs someone who will accept him the way he is and love him for it.

DEAR ABBY: I am the treasurer for my high school's upcoming 50th reunion. My senior class was large — more than 550 students. My problem is, 280 students have not responded to our monthly emails or newsletters.

It takes a lot of time and effort to put on a reunion. We have been working on it for two years. I realize some classmates hated their senior year. Not all of us had a perfect time. But would you remind people that a simple yes or no works well?

Frankly, I don't know why anyone would say no, unless medical or financial issues prevented them from attending. I don't look like I did at 18, and neither does anyone else. The clique clubs are gone, and the captain of the football team looks just like any other guy. Can you comment? — READY FOR THE REUNION

DEAR READY: Yes. There may be other reasons why some graduates don't wish to attend their high school reunion. They live far away, or there is no one they particularly want to see.

Rather than work yourself into a lather, in your next communication to the graduates, specify that only those who have responded to the invitation can be accommodated "because the committee is making arrangements for which they need an exact head count." If you don't hear from someone, do not plan on seeing him or her.

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, July 31, 2015:

This year you can identify with both sides of an argument. You often see the pros and cons of a situation. Instead of falling into one camp or the other, why not just look at how you can bring the two sides together? At the core, the issue is the same. If you are single, your magnetism draws many people to you. Though you have many potential suitors, you might want to date more than commit. If you are attached, you often do not see eye to eye with your sweetie. Remember that you are with the one you love. Don't allow the details of the moment to distract you. AQUARIUS always makes a great friend.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ A friend could trigger a lot of excitement with the full expectation of you joining in. A conflict might arise from out of the blue. The implication is that you'll need to make a choice, but that's not true — you just need to ride the wave of the moment. Tonight: Happy at home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You might become more withdrawn the more someone makes demands. You see a personal matter very differently from how a boss sees it. Don't try to resolve this conflict; instead, think in terms of keeping the peace. Tonight: Join friends for a fun happening.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Reach out to someone you care about. You might want to make plans to see each other soon. Know your limits. Count on being flooded with chatter and invitations. Realize that there are worse things. Tonight: Be careful about making plans, as you might want to change them.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ You might be a lot more in touch with what you need from a certain situation than you realize. Your financial savvy will be tested to the max. You have the wherewithal to handle a problem. Remain secure and sure of yourself. Tonight: Be ready for some tumultuous moments.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Before you even can make a suggestion, others will come forward with theirs. You might be overwhelmed when weighing the choices that are presented. You will see a personal matter differently from how a loved one sees it. Tonight: Juggle your needs with someone else's.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ You might be permitting all the recent stress to weigh you down. In fact, today probably would be the perfect day to relax and ask for something you want. You see life from a new perspective. Curb any negativity. Tonight: Make yourself unavailable.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ You might want to reconsider the possibilities surrounding a personal situation. A loved one might play a bigger part in your plans than you originally had thought. Don't overthink the situation, just relax. Tonight: Till the wee hours.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You have a lot of ground to cover, and many people seem to need your time. A family member could become quite demanding. Be willing to ask for more of what you want. Tonight: Enjoy the moment.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You might know what to do with a difficult loved one, whereas others seem to flounder. Your ability to communicate with this person is excellent at the present moment. Honor a change of pace if need be. Tonight: Take a walk or head to the gym for some exercise.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Curb an innate possessiveness. It appears as though you might not be as secure about a situation as you would like to be. Relax and touch base with a loved one who has similar needs as you. The conversation that ensues could be very helpful. Tonight: Let someone else treat.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ The Full Moon accentuates what you have to offer. You could be stressed out by the sudden attention. A conversation with a friend or associate is likely to present a unique perspective. Tonight: Express your caring in a way that others will understand.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ You might be overly tired and stressed out. How you set up a situation will be based on what you hear and not on what is really said. You might not even be aware of the difference yet. A smile from you helps others relax. Tonight: Be mysterious. Do your thing.

BORN TODAY

Author J.K. Rowling (1965), actor Wesley Snipes (1962), musician Will Champion (1978)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Play the odds

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ A K J 7 4 3
♡ Q 8
♢ A 4
♣ A 8 3

WEST
♠ 9
♡ J 10 9 7 5 3
♢ 10 6 3 2
♣ 10 5

EAST
♠ 2
♡ K 6
♢ K 9 7 5
♣ Q J 9 6 4 2

SOUTH
♠ Q 10 8 6 5
♡ A 4 2
♢ Q J 8
♣ K 7

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	Pass	2NT*	Pass
4♠**	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♢	Pass	6♠	All pass

*Game forcing spade raise
**Balanced minimum

Opening lead: Jack of ♡

Six spades is a sound contract, needing only for West to hold one of the red suit kings. The jack of hearts lead was covered by the queen, king, and ace. One chance gone. Declarer drew two rounds of trumps, ending in his hand, and took the diamond finesse. South conceded down one when that king was also with East.

Declarer was certainly unlucky, but he could have done better. Can you spot how? West was unlikely to be leading a heart away from the king on a power auction like this. South would have done better to play East for the king of hearts and hope it was singleton or doubleton. The winning line is to play low from dummy at trick one, draw the trumps, and eliminate the clubs by cashing the ace-king and ruffing the third round. South can then exit with a heart to the queen. East wins but has no heart to play, so he is forced to yield a ruff-sluff or lead a diamond and the slam sails home.

Note that success was not completely dependent on East having a doubleton king of hearts — that was merely an extra chance. Should East have a safe heart to exit with, declarer can always fall back on the diamond finesse.

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Blesses
4 Star Wars, initially
7 Go fishing
12 "Ring punch
16 IQ test pioneer
17 Start of the line before "Liberty! Freedom! Tyranny is dead!"
18 Bluebloods
19 "Manhattan neighborhood
21 1965 Sophia Loren comedy
24 Gas sign in green letters
25 Line of work: Abbr.
28 Year in Mexico
29 Talladega unit
31 Result of a 1955 merger
34 Postseason game
36 Pull in
39 Treating poorly
40 Like the answers to eight starred clues ... and a hint as to how to fill them in
43 Role for Dustin
44 "The Bridge on the River __"
45 Marquis de __
46 Chooses the window instead of the aisle?
48 Fraud watchdog org.
50 For each
51 Shade provider
52 Ness, for one
55 Castro and others
57 "Liberia locale
61 Don Diego de la Vega, familiarly
63 Frankness
67 The Bradford kids of '70s-'80s TV, e.g.
68 "Ring punch
69 Milo of "Barberella"
70 Long time
71 Major

DOWN

1 Natural resource
2 Young beaver
3 Pepper, for one: Abbr.
4 "Animated TV series set in the Rockies
5 Words before dances
6 Some furniture stores
7 Biblical brother
8 Juba's "White" river
9 "Promising
10 Betray, with "down"
11 Juillet's season
13 One of three cartoon nephews
14 Little League precursor
15 Little League belts: Abbr.
20 Soweto's home: Abbr.
21 Toiled
22 Rule exception
23 "Level-headed
26 Stronghold
27 Beach party staples
30 Brest friend
32 Govt. group that began in 1908
33 Where kip are spent
35 Sylvester's problem
37 London's __ Gardens
38 "Challenge to Eiger climbers
41 Fawn's mom
42 Tiny songbird
47 Canon offering, briefly
49 Dimin.'s opposite
53 Handy
54 Playground retort
56 Mad as __ hen
58 Algonquian language
59 Bit
60 Sun. message
61 Animal house
62 It turns out Its.
64 Nats' former stadium
65 Symbol of peace
66 Eastern Nevada city

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

A	P	O	P		C	A	T	T	Y		M	D	S	E
T	I	V	O		O	U	T	R	E		A	R	A	L
F	E	E	L	U	P	T	O	I	T		R	A	V	I
	T	R	Y	S	T	O	P	P	I	N	G	M	E	
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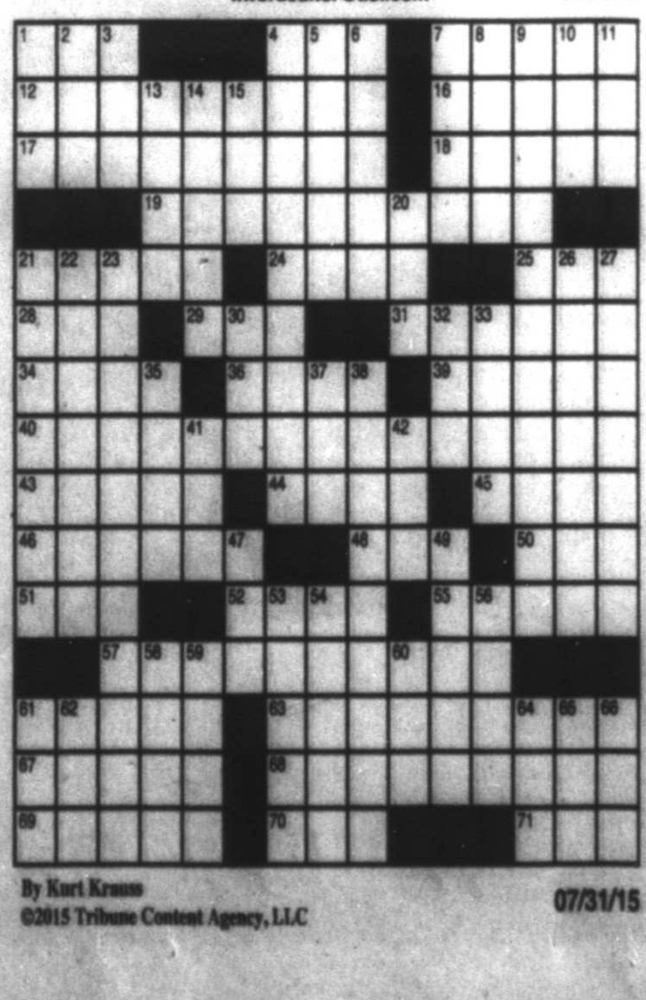

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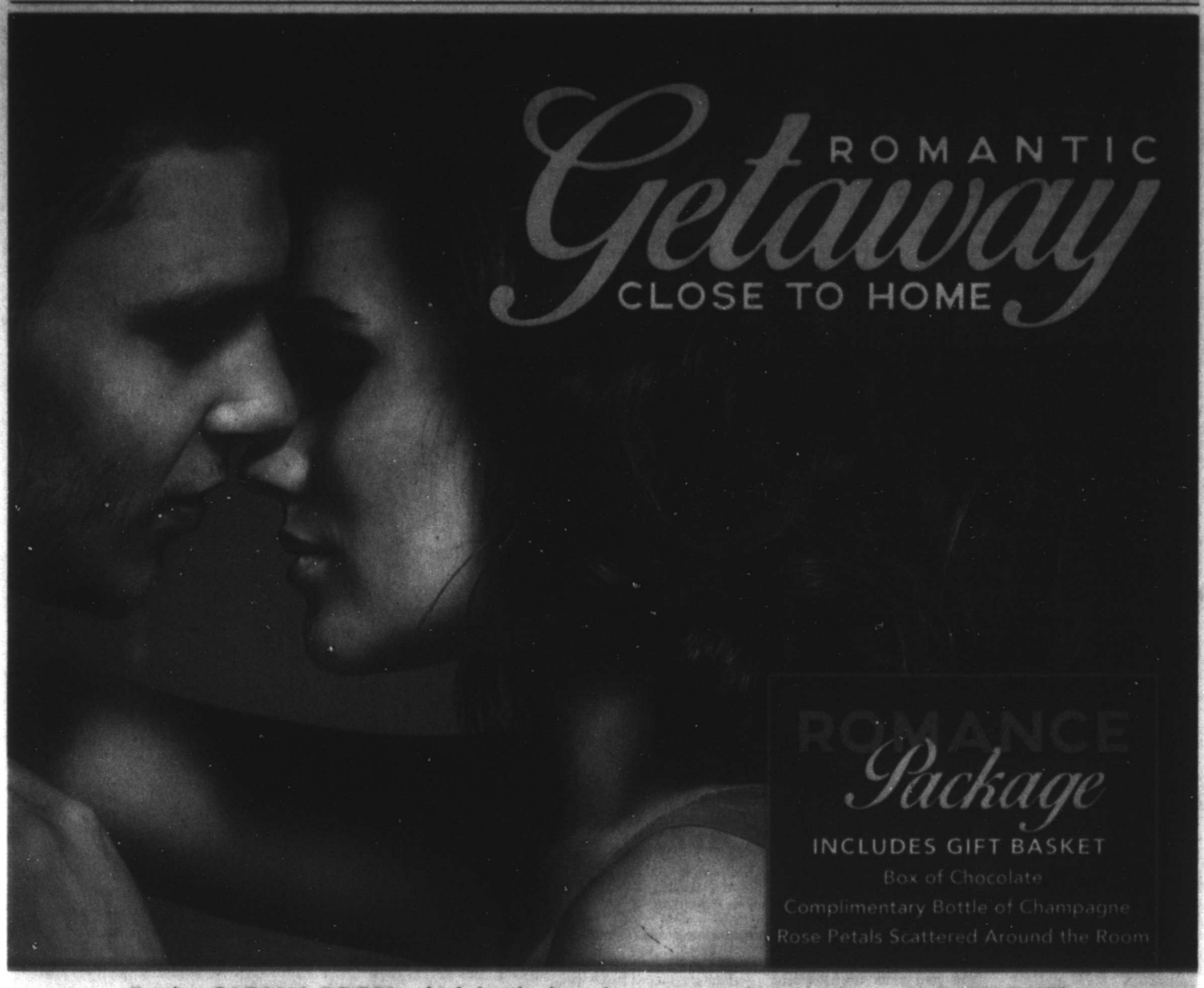

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ESI Supply now hiring for a Shipping, Receiving, Inventory & Deliveries position. Must have a valid drivers license. Apply in person M-F 7:30am-10:30am at 2142 Commerce Dr, Midland, TX.

AUTOMOTIVE

Detailer, Body Techs, & Porters

Seeking dependable, honest hard working individuals. Experienced Detailer and Body Techs, must be at least 18 years old with valid driver's license. We offer Top Wages, Health Insurance, Dental, Vision, Paid vacation, and Retirement plan. Apply in person NO PHONE CALLS. Platinum Collision Repair Center 1501 S. Midkiff.

BANKING & MORTGAGE

New Accounts/Loan Secretary Position

The First National Bank of Stanton

Taking applications for a New Accounts/Loan Secretary position. Some experience is preferred. Candidate should possess a professional appearance, excellent communication skills, strong working knowledge of various computer software programs (such as Microsoft Word and Excel) the ability to organize and multi-task and must possess the ability to interact well with the public and fellow employees.

Applications should be submitted by mail to P.O. Box 10 Stanton, TX 79782 or in person at 119 N St.Peter, Stanton, TX.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Journeyman or Tradesman

Wanted: Journeyman or Tradesman Lic. Plumber with AC tech knowledge in current equipment. Wage based on experience. Retirement benefits. **Send Resume to: A-Terry's Plumbing, PO Box 9714, Midland TX, 79708.**

Pipeline Operations Supervisor

Medallion Midstream is hiring a Pipeline Operations Supervisor. We are one of the fastest growing pipeline companies in the Permian Basin area. Finding the right people to forge our success is a critical step, and we have created an organization rich in opportunities. If you are a highly motivated individual with a passion for success, we invite you to apply today. Please email your resume to info@medallionmidstream.com

MEDALLION MIDSTREAM

HEALTHCARE

Available Positions

Desert Gardens Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
3205 Sage Street
Midland, TX 79705

Desert Gardens located in Midland, Texas is currently seeking staff to fill the following Positions:
• GN • GVN • Nurses • CNA
Full benefits
$1,000 SIGN ON BONUS
Apply in person.

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Maintenance & Housekeeping

Holiday Inn Express, I-20 now hiring Maintenance & Housekeeping. Apply in person 900 Crump Street, Midland. 432-695-9020.

OTHER JOBS

Diesel Mechanics

Tutle and Tutle Trucking, Inc. is one of the most successful sand hauling companies in the industry and we are looking for dependable, hard working team members in the Midland, TX area. SEASONED DIESEL MECHANICS with their own tools. Experience in the oil and gas industry preferred. Email resumes to bekah@tutleandtutle.com or apply at www.tutleandtutle.com

Maids & Janitors

Now accepting applications for maids and janitors. Work Monday-Friday 5:30pm-8:30pm. Apply at 1307 N. Big Spring.

Sales & Events Manager

Insignia Hospitality Group is now hiring full time Sales & Events Manager. Send resumes to rachel@insigniamgmt.com

OTHER JOBS

Multiple Positions Available

Midland County has the following positions available:
*** Network Administrator * Maintenance Assistant * Investigator * Substance Abuse Counselor * Agency Director * Bailiff**
Please see our website:
www.co.midland.tx.us/departments/hr/pages/Employment for more details and applications. To be consider you must send a completed application with job reference numbers to Midland County Human Resources Office, **500 N. Loraine St., Ste. 100 Midland, TX 79701** or hr@co.midland.tx.us.

SALES JOBS

Outside Sales wanted - Salary & Benefits

Outside Sales wanted for Midland Odessa Permian and surrounding area. Steel and/or Pipe sales experience required. Company Car & Phone. Salary & Benefits. Qualifying Health Insurance Plan, Life Insurance, AFLAC, Retirement. Email resume to jobs@greatplainssteel.com or mail to PO Box 2916 Lubbock TX 79408

Salesperson

Basin Engine and Pump
Experienced pump salesperson needed. Excellent compensation and benefit plans provided. Email resume to Todd@basinengine.com.

SKILLED LABOR

AC Drive Rig Electricians

Impulse Electric is looking for AC Drive Rig Electricians with experience Great benefits including health insurance. Apply in person at 7101 N. County Rd West, Odessa, 432-362-1131

Disposal Operators

Trisun Energy Services is hiring 4 full-time disposal operators for a salt water disposal facility 20 miles north of Big Lake, TX. Candidates should have at least 6 months of oilfield experience and be able to pass a pre-employment drug screen and background check. Starting pay is $16.00 per hour with work schedules including 12-hour shifts (8am-8pm/8pm-8am) 5 to7 days a week. Interested applicants should call Amanda Luu at 713-568-6380

Field Mechanic

Basin Engine and Pump
Field Mechanic needed for Industrial Oilfield Shop. Uniforms provided. Experience is required. Benefits package includes vacation, health insurance and retirement match savings. Salary depends on experience. Please submit resume by fax to 432-570-1115 or email to Todd@basinengine.com.
Applications may be filled out at 1914 South County Rd 1083-Midland.

Heating and Air Conditioning Technicians and Installers

Parkis Air Care has an immediate need for HVAC technicians and installers. If you are a dedicated professional technician or installer with a proven track record of success we invite you to apply. This is your opportunity to join a growing company that was established in 1934, offering a competitive hourly rate plus commission, paid vacation, cell phone and work truck. Please call 432-570-0790 or fax 432-687-1309 to apply.

Project Manager

Mid-Tex of Midland, Inc.
Now hiring a commercial construction project expeditor/project manager. Competitive pay plus excellent benefits. Experience in commercial construction a must. Please send resumes to 5206 W. Wadley Ave., Midland, Texas 79707, or you may email your resume to Alan White at alan@midtexofmidland.com

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

Class A CDL Driver with Hazmat & Tanker endorsement

Service Seal LLC is accepting applications for a Class A CDL Driver with Hazmat & Tanker endorsement. We are a stable company that offers competitive hourly pay and excellent benefits including a $5,000.00 sign-on bonus for this position. More information regarding our benefits and the sign-on bonus will be given during the interview process. This position requires at least 3 years of verifiable professional driving experience along with passing the pre-employment background screening. Our Drivers have most weekends off and will not have many overnight deliveries. Please submit your resume to **tammy@oilcenter.com** for review and consideration or contact Rodolfo Sanchez at 432-570-9414 to complete an application.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

DRIVERS NEEDED IMMEDIATELY

Regional Ice Manufacturer Seeking FULL-TIME Route Delivery Drivers for the Midland, TX. area. Home Every Night. Class A or B CDL Required. Pre-Employment Drug Screen and Clean Driving Record a Must. Able to lift minimum a of 50 lbs. Pays $20.00 an hour plus commission. Full Benefits Package Available. Apply online at arcticglacier.com

Drivers

Purity Oilfield Services (EOE) is now hiring drivers with Class A CDL, winch and/or vac truck experience. Competitive pay and excellent benefits. Please contact 432-699-8600 for more information, submit a resume at mkiker@purityoilfieldservices.com, or stop by in person to apply at 11109 West CR 46, Midland, TX 79707.

Winch Truck Drivers

Phoenix Lease Services now has openings for Winch truck drivers. Must have Class A CDL in good standing. Previous Winch Truck experience is preferred. Competitive pay and benefits offered. Please apply in person at 8310 W. I-20 in Midland or call 432-563-9800

OTHER JOBS

APC

ABO Petroleum Corporation

Abo Petroleum Corporation has an opening in Artesia, NM for a Landman

JOB DESCRIPTION

- Process Authority for Expenditures (AFE's) for non-operated expenditures and Division Orders
- Understand values of mineral/royalty property and negotiate terms for sale or leasing of interests
- Interpret, prepare, and negotiate various Oil & Gas contracts including but not limited to Oil & Gas Leases, Farmout Agreements, stipulations, quit claim deeds, mineral deeds, release of oil and gas leases
- Calculate net revenue interest and working interest for wells, acquisitions, divestitures and leasing
- Check chain of title ownership at County, State and Federal levels
- Communicate with attorneys concerning any Land issues that may arise
- Handle all land related work regarding grazing leases

QUALIFICATIONS AND EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

- College degree and Minimum 3 years' experience in Oil & Gas Land work at Landman Level
- CPL certification a plus but not required
- Will consider Minimum 7+ year's O&G Landman level experience in lieu of Degree or CPL
- Must be computer literate with working knowledge of O&G Land Systems, Microsoft Word, and Excel
- Enertia Data Systems Land Module Experience a plus but not required

SKILLS

- Working knowledge of Federal and State Leases and Units, as well as fee leases and titles
- Must be able to manage multiple projects simultaneously
- Must be a self-starter with good organizational skills and attention to accuracy
- Mathematical knowledge in areas of formulas, fractions and decimals
- Must be able to be self-sufficient and work well with others in a close, fast-paced family office environment
- Must have excellent oral and written communication skills
- Must be able to handle stress and time constraints

Attendance is essential and all duties must be performed on Abo Petroleum premises

Excellent benefits package including: 401(k), Medical & Dental Insurance, Vision Insurance, Life Insurance & AD&D, Short & Long Term Disability Insurance, Holidays, Vacation and Sick Leave. Must pass a pre-employment drug screening. An EOE

Please submit resume to **Abo Petroleum Corporation, Attn: Dan Lewis, P.O. Box 900, Artesia, NM 88211**

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TEXAS FORD DEALERS

Rogers Ford Career Opportunities

Available positions: Porters, Drivers, Service Writer, Service Cashier, and a Suspension Technician.

Porter Requirements: Include sweeping, mopping, cleaning technician stalls, cleaning main service drive, parking vehicles, and bringing around vehicles for customers. Help with other misc. task around shop. Clean driving record and valid drivers license.

Driver Requirements: Include delivery, pickup and handling of vehicle parts to/from surrounding areas. Requires ability to secure parts in a timely manner, work efficiently and maintain a friendly attitude at all times. Must have a valid drivers license and clean driving record. Previous parts or delivery experience preferred. Dealership experience preferred. And Excellent customer service skills and multitasking ability.

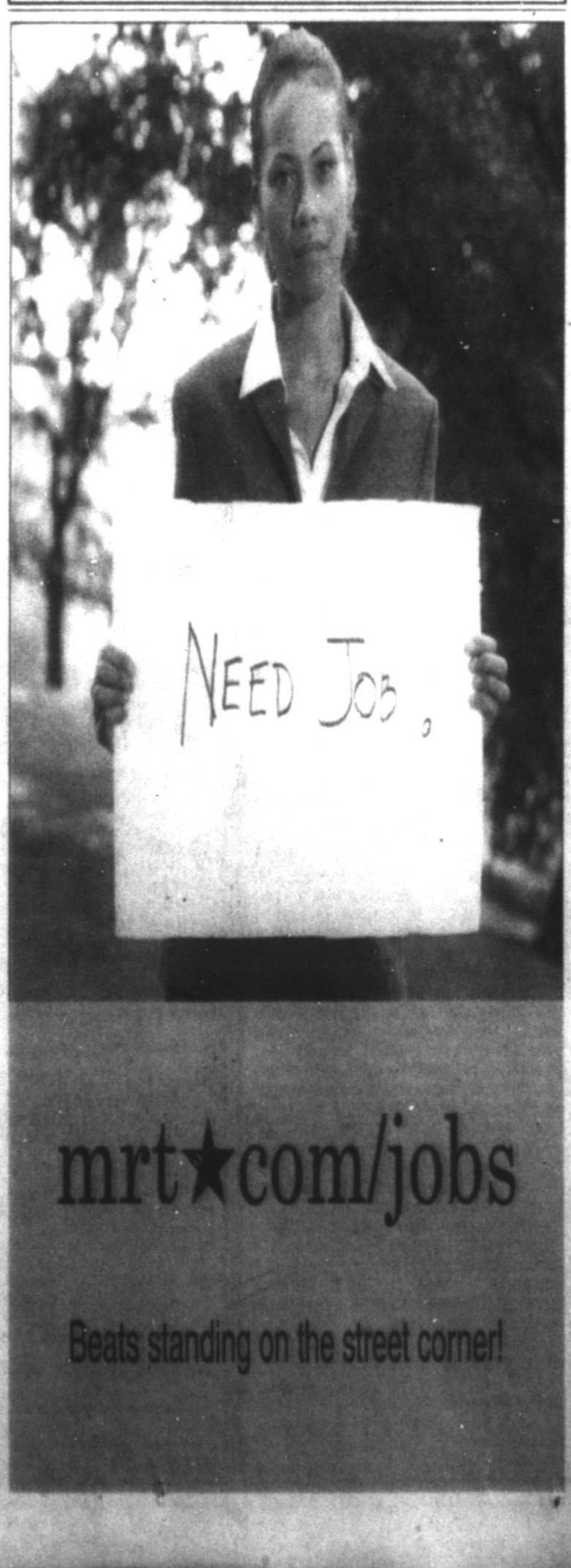
Service Writer Requirements: Including customer-focused, well organized person, service reception, providing repair estimates, obtaining approvals, keeping your clients updated on service status, invoicing, and service delivery. Must be professional in appearance, have excellent written and verbal communications skills, and have a positive, customer service, team-oriented attitude. Prior dealership, automotive, or other retail experience would be helpful.

Service Cashier Requirements: Includes to greet customer on main service drive, cash customers out, answer phone calls, cover fast lube cashier, and help with other misc. work task.

Suspension Technician Requirements: Must be able to follow work directions, pay attention to detail and diagnose problems and make the necessary repair. Duties include, but are not limited to the following: Verify complaints, follow diagnostic procedures, perform checks and make the necessary repair to vehicles. Identify potential problems, and perform preventative maintenance. Obtain information and keep accurate records. Obtain authorization and perform repair. Must have own tools. Must be able to be on your feet for long periods of time. Call for more details.

****Must pass drug test for all job positions.**

Come fill out a job application at Rogers Ford.



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Events and Notices

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ATTN: READERS Re: Advertising
It is against City ordinance to attach any notice or advertising matter to any utility pole. Please contact City of Midland Code Enforcement Office 685-7410 for additional information

Legal & Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

SEALED Bid(s) will be received until 2:00 P.M., August 9, 2015 to be opened at 2:00 P.M., in the City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s):

Bid No. 9706-15

For: Lease of Roll-Off Sludge Filter / Containers for the Water Pollution Control Plant.

If the Contract is awarded, it will be awarded to either the lowest responsible bidder, or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the City of Midland. In determining the best value for the City of Midland, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code. Information for Bidders. Proposal Forms. Specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

ORDINANCE NO. 9460

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING USE CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS A 1.807-ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF SECTION 5, BLOCK "X", H.P. HILLIARD SURVEY, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF WEST LOOP 250 NORTH, APPROXIMATELY 675 FEET WEST OF NORTH MIDKIFF ROAD), WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED LR-2, LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT, BY PERMITTING SAID PROPERTY TO BE USED UNDER A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT WITH TERM FOR AN ELECTRONIC BILLBOARD; MAKING SAID PERMIT SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN; 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

ORDINANCE NO. 9458

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING USE CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS LOT 1, BLQCK 10, LYNSIDE ADDITION, SECTION 2, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED SOUTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF EAST SCHARBAUER DRIVE AND NORTH TYLER STREET), WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED LR-3, LOCAL RETAIL DISTRICT, BY PERMITTING SAID PROPERTY TO BE USED UNDER A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT WITHOUT TERM FOR A WIRELESS COMMUNICATION SYSTEM; MAKING SAID PERMIT SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN; 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

ORDINANCE NO. 9457

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING USE CLASSIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED ASAN 11,700-SQUARE FOOT PORTION OF LOT 1, BLOCK3, WESTRIDGE PARK ADDITION, SECTION 5, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED SOUTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF ANDREWS HIGHWAY AND TRADEWINDS BOULEVARD), WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED PD, PLANNED DISTRICT FOR A SHOPPING CENTER, BY PERMITTING SAID PROPERTY TO BE USED UNDER A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT WITH TERM FOR THE SALE OF ALL ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN A RESTAURANT FOR ON-PREMISES CONSUMPTION; MAKING SAID PERMIT SUBJECT TO CERTAIN CONDITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS CONTAINED HEREIN; 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

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 8 — Rule 38 Case No. 08-0297464
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 22, 2015 — Status/Permit No. 808270
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug 26, 2015
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., (RRC Operator No. 665748) has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 36, Bk. 38 T4S, T&P RR CO / CAUBLE, R C Survey, A-871, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC Field, MIDLAND County, being 23.9 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512) 463-6848.**

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Aug 26, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO FILE A PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC

Lease/Unit Name :	PRESTON A	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	3608H	
Lease/Unit Acres :	1311.4	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	100.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	360.0	
Lease Lines :	255.0 F EAST L,	7408.0 F SOUTH L
Survey Lines :	255.0 F EAST L,	2095.0 F SOUTH L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral : TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines : 2095.0 F SOUTH L
255.0 F EAST L

Terminus Location
BH County: MIDLAND
Section: 25 Block: 38 T4S Abstract: 110
Survey: T&P RR CO
Lease Lines : 100.0 F NORTH L
339.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines : 100.0 F WEST L
339.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : R 40 EXC: Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11167 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, LAURA WALLACE, at (972) 969-1742.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C — Rule 37 Case No. 0297451
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 22, 2015 — Status/Permit No. 808200
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug 26, 2015
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., (RRC Operator No. 665748) has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 9, Bk. N, HE&WT RR CO Survey, A-241, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC Field, UPTON County, being 21 miles NE direction from RANKIN, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512) 463-6848.**
If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 **(512) 463-6751.**

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC

Lease/Unit Name :	BROOK M-1C	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	3H	
Lease/Unit Acres :	1178.6	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	660.0	
Lease Lines :	183.0 F SOUTH L,	234.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines :	2453.0 F NORTH L,	2407.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral : TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines : 183.0 F SOUTH L
234.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location
BH County: UPTON
Section: 1 Block: M Abstract: 143
Survey: EL&RR RR CO
Lease Lines : 100.0 F NORTH L
1648.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 2245.0 F NORTH L
1648.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : R 40 EXC: Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10900 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, DAVID VINCENTI, at (972) 969-3935.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C — Rule 37 Case No. 0297453
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 22, 2015 — Status/Permit No. 808261
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug 26, 2015
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

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PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512) 463-6848.**
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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC

Lease/Unit Name :	BROOK N-20C	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	3H	
Lease/Unit Acres :	478.5	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	880.0	
Lease Lines :	236.0 F NORTH L,	354.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines :	2287.0 F EAST L,	2400.0 F SOUTH L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral : TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines : 236.0 F NORTH L
354.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location
BH County: UPTON
Section: 20 Block: N Abstract: 1347
Survey: HE&WT RR CO / MILLER, H G
Lease Lines : 100.0 F SOUTH L
1299.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L
1325.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : R 40 EXC: Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10900 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, DAVID VINCENTI, at (972) 969-3935.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C — Rule 37 Case No. 0297441
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 21, 2015 — Status/Permit No. 808196
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug 25, 2015
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC

Lease/Unit Name :	BROOK M-1B	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	2H	
Lease/Unit Acres :	1178.6	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	660.0	
Lease Lines :	183.0 F SOUTH L,	189.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines :	2453.0 F NORTH L,	2452.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral : TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines : 183.0 F SOUTH L
189.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location
BH County: UPTON
Section: 1 Block: M Abstract: 143
Survey: EL&RR RR CO
Lease Lines : 100.0 F NORTH L
2308.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 2244.0 F NORTH L
2308.0 F EAST L

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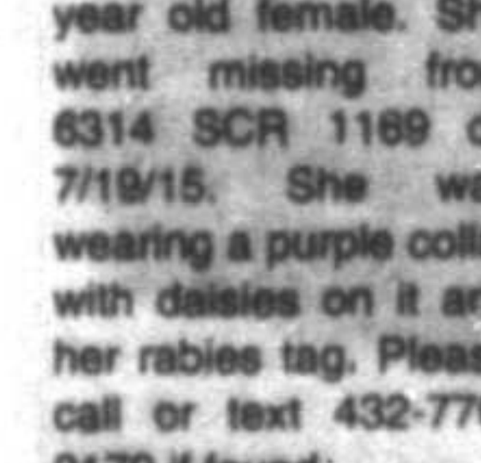

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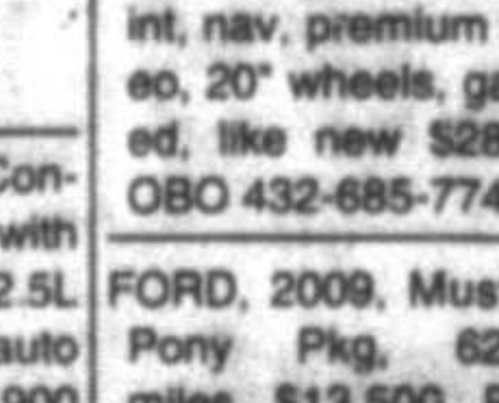

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ORDINANCE NO. 9459

AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION BY AMENDING CHAPTER ONE, TITLE XI, OF THE CITY CODE OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, BY PERMITTING AN 11.31-ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED WITHIN THE TRADEWINDS BOULEVARD AND CHAMPIONS DRIVE RIGHTS-OF-WAY, REMAINDER OF LOT 1, BLOCK 6, WESTRIDGE PARK ADDITION, SECTION 6, AND LOT 2, BLOCK 6, WESTRIDGE PARK ADDITION, SECTION 19, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS, WHICH IS PRESENTLY ZONED PD, PLANNED DISTRICT FOR A SHOPPING CENTER, TO BE USED AS AN O-2, OFFICE DISTRICT (GENERALLY LOCATED SOUTHEAST OF THE INTERSECTION OF CHAMPIONS DRIVE AND TRADEWINDS 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

Amy M. Turner
City Secretary

Legal & Public Notices

The Planning and Zoning Commission of the City of Midland, Texas will hold a public hearing at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, August 17, 2015, in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, on a request by SMC Diversified Holdings, Inc. for approval of a Residential Replat on: On a replat of Lots 16 through 42, and the Common Area A, plus a previously vacated 0.132-acre portion of alley right-of-way; all out of Arbor Park Addition, Section 2, City and County of Midland, Texas.

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CITY OF MIDLAND
Amy M. Turner, MMC
City Secretary

Legal & Public Notices

ORDINANCE NO. 9461

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL EXCEPTION FOR LOT 4, BLOCK 9, BERKSHIRE PLACE, CITY AND COUNTY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS (GENERALLY LOCATED ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF GULF AVENUE, APPROXIMATELY 200 FEET EAST OF NORTH GARFIELD STREET), BY PERMITTING AN ENCROACHMENT INTO THE REQUIRED FRONT YARD SETBACK FOR AN ACCESSORY STRUCTURE; CONTAINING A CUMULATIVE CLAUSE; CONTAINING A SAVINGS AND SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A MAXIMUM PENALTY OR FINE OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS ($2,000.00); ORDERING RECORDATION BY THE CITY SECRETARY IN THE DEED RECORDS OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS; AND ORDERING PUBLICATION

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Notice Of Application For Fluid Injection Well Permit

XTO Energy, Inc., Opr. No. 945936, 500 W. Illinois, Suite 100, Midland, Texas 79701 applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas to convert an existing producing well to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of these fluids into the Clear Fork Formation in the Goldsmith C. A., Et al Lease, well number: 463. The proposed injection well is located 2.5 miles south from the city of Goldsmith in the Goldsmith Field, in Ector County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4969' - 7867' feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter, 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Request for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-463-6792)

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 22, 2015
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug 26, 2015
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 37 Case No. 0297452
Status/Permit No. 808245

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 9, Bk. N, HE&WT RR CO Survey, A-241, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC Field, UPTON County, being 20.9 miles NE direction from RANKIN, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512) 463-6848.**
If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 **(512) 463-6751.**

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Aug 26, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO FILE A PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC

Lease/Unit Name :	BROOK N-20A
Lease/Unit Well No. :	1H
Lease/Unit Acres :	480.9
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1.0

Lease Lines :	2400.0 F S (OFF LEASE) L,	2377.0 F E (OFF LEASE) L
Survey Lines :	2400.0 F SOUTH L,	2377.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral : TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines : 2400.0 F S (OFF LEASE) L
2377.0 F E (OFF LEASE) L

Terminus Location
BH County: UPTON
Section: 20 Block: N Abstract: 1347
Survey: HE&WT RR CO / MILLER, H G
Lease Lines : 100.0 F SOUTH L
461.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L
2200.0 F WEST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : R 40 EXC: Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10900 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, DAVID VINCENTI, at (972) 969-3935.

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1983 AlumaWeld Boat, 48" x 16' long w/ aluminum covered bow, 1987 Evinrude 40HP motor (replaced parts, new gas tank, runs great!), tiller steering, 1984 Skipper B trailer (new tires), Minn Kota 585 trolling motor. Excellent condition! 432-634-4067.

TAHOE 2010 Q7 20' 6" Ski-Fish. Black Cherry & Almond with CB/stereo, fish finder & depth finder. Removable /trolling motor. V8 engine. Less than 75 hours. Has been garaged and is in good condition. $26,500. 432-466-3611



Merchandise

Appliances

AAA Appliance 15 minute pickup. 432-556-0104 / 432-528-3046

FREEZER - $75, works great. Refrigerator, $250, 3 yrs old, works like new. 432-269-1186

Free Stuff

FREE WOODEN PALLETS!

Midland Reporter-Telegram (on dock side)



Recreational Vehicles

Free Stuff

To good home: Great dane/sharpei pei. Male. Neutered. No cats. 432-661-8622.

Furniture

2 Red Massoud Chairs w/ Ottoman. 4y/o in ex. cond. Paid $6,000.00, new. Asking $500.00. Call 432-556-5479.

Miscellaneous for Sale

Brother 2800D (Disney Designs) sewing/ embroidery machine. Great condition; just serviced. $1600.00. Call 432-522-2401 for more information.

CAMPER SHELL, 73" x 84" very good condition $100 obo. 30 gallon poly plastic barrels sealed top makes good trash cans. $6. 2-17" Tires, new P245/70R17 $85.00 LT265/70R17 $100.00 2- joints 4'x18' steel pipe $140.00, 4 pairs Levi jeans, new, 30x30 $150.00. 432-352-8419.

WANTED: R12 FREON Refrigerant 12 collecting dust in your garage? We pay CASH for cylinders and cases of cans. 312-291-9169.

Sporting Goods

☆☆ GUN SHOW ☆☆
Midland Horseshoe Pavilion
Aug 1 (9-6)
Aug 2 (10-5)
Kim-806-252-6933
midlandgunshow.com

Home Gym 4 Sale - Weidner Pro 4950 Weight System Exerciser $100. 687-5559.

VACATION RENTAL at Devils River. 325-226-3471

FIREWOOD
Seasoned Oak
$300.00/ cord
$150.00/ half cord
Nice Wood Racks
Call 432-686-9214



Industrial Products & Supplies

Agriculture & Farm Equipment, Parts & Supplies

Alfalfa and Grass round bales for sale in Stanton. Call or text 432-967-9010 ask for Dexter. Buy 5 or more at one time and get a discount.

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Animals & Pets

Livestock & Feed

2014 HORSE QUALITY Coastal square bales, $6-bale, in barn. 2015 Costal round bales, excellent grass, $70-bale. Bulk discount available. Call 817-597-9551.

3 HORSE STALLS FOR rent, plus 1.5 acre. North of Walmart. Call 556-1600.

Pets

CKC MINI Schnauzer, 2 white males ready now. Blacks, merle, B/W party, ready 8/8. 806-778-5054 or 806-777-9879.

LAB PUPPIES AKC & started dogs. Hips/ eyes guaranteed. Training available. Pooles Labs. www.pooleslabs.com. Call (806) 633-4364.



Real Estate Rentals & Sales

Residential Rentals

Apartments for Rent Unfurnished

1 MONTH FREE RENT Call for details & locations. Member BBB 432-352-2248

4409 CROCKETT Apt. B, $950 month, $950 deposit. Call 432-978-2074.

MOVE IN SPECIAL!!
1/2 off one Month's Rent
ALL BILLS PAID
SPACIOUS
1,2,&3 Bedroom Available
Villa Chateau Apts
432-694-1112

Miscellaneous for Sale

KEN'S RV SALES
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8:30-5:30 Mon.-Fri. • 9-3 Sat.

Legal & Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

Request for Bids (RFB 9752-15): The City of Midland is seeking sealed bids from interested bidders wanting to complete the City of Midland Cured-In-Place Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation Project - Phase Two. The project will consist of rehabilitating 29 sewer manholes with a cured-in-place laminated composite material bonded to the internal structure of each manhole. The sewer manholes are all located within the Northwest Drainage Channel (Jal Draw) between Loop 250, North and Haynes Avenue.

To inquire about viewing or purchasing a copy of the project plans and specifications, please contact the City of Midland Purchasing Department by telephone number, 432-685-7234, by email: purchasing@midlandtexas.gov, or by visiting their office at City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland Texas 79702. To attain a copy of the bid set a non-refundable fee of $50.00 dollars is required.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at 3:00 P.M. on Wednesday, August 12, 2015 in the basement conference room of City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas 79701.

Interested bidders must submit a bid bond, cashier's check, or certified check for not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid.

The deadline to submit sealed bids will be at 11:00 A. M. on Wednesday, August 19, 2015, in the Office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Third Floor, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas 79702.

The City of Midland reserves the right to reject any and all submitted bids if it is deemed in the best interest of the City. In determining the best value of the submitted bids, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code.

City of Midland, Texas

Apartments for Rent Unfurnished

MOVE IN SPECIAL! FIRST MONTH FREE!
Hunters Ridge Apartments
now leasing!
4201 Andrews Hwy.
Midland Texas.
1 Bedroom
432-520-5271

SILVER CREEK Apts. 687-0053 Lots of updates with great prices. Available now 1,2, & 3 bedrooms.

Houses for Rent Furnished

VACATION RENTAL at Devils River: 325-226-3471.

Houses for Rent Unfurnished

► NEW TODAY! ◄

1BR COTTAGE. $1000+ ELECTRICITY, DEPOSIT $1000 432-238-8352

5104 A Rainbow, Cute 3BD/2BA/2 car garage home. Fenced yard. Sprinklers. Granite. No pets, non smoking. $1850. 432-620-9222 or 432-664-0171.

800 A Powell 2 BEDROOM 1 bath duplex, completely remodeled. $1,200 per month, $1,000 deposit. $50 app. fee. No pet, non smoking. 432-352-9791.

Houses for Rent Unfurnished

UNIQUE LUXURY duplex, 1650 sq. ft. 2 bedroom 2 bath, many immensities. 2509 B Haynes. Just remodeled. 432-553-3248 or 432-683-7379

Residential Sales

Condos/ Townhouses

4306 BOULDER. SPRAWLING 3/2.5/2/2 OPEN SAT 11-12:30pm $235,000 UP Group 889-2934

Homes for Sale

$184,000. 3BD/2BA, 1,686 sqft. Big back yard. New A/C unit, water heater, RO water system, back fence, and pipeline repairs. No owner financing. 432-288-1696.

2400 ELIZABETH fabulous large redo! 4/2/3 $250,000 UP Group 889-2934

3505 APACHE 2/1, updated, $102K, owner finance or lease. 432-210-6096

3626 Imperial Ave. 4 bd, 2 ba, 2 cg, 2527 sq/ft, 2 workshops w/ AC, Updated kitchen: Granite & stainless appliances. $239,000. Call 432-488-6995 gxpiazza@yahoo.com

Need some cash? Call CLASSIFIED 682-6222

Homes for Sale

4604 HUMBLE Stunning 3/2/2/2, $239,500. Open Sat 1-3. UP Group 889-2934

BEAUTIFUL HOME in Greenwood for sale for $324,900. The home is 2094 sq. ft. and sits on .50 acre with 4 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms. Call 432-556-8535

► NEW TODAY! ◄

FOR SALE: 4BD/2BA, corner lot, 1980sf, large yard with pool, and water well $155K. Serious inquires only. Call 432-599-1185.

FOR SALE by owner. 4 bedroom, 4 bath. Call for an appointment, 432-352-0344.

Homes for Sale

FSBO 1009 ECR 150, Midland 4BR / 3B, 3800sf, 7 acs, pool. Beautiful w/ many updates. - $575,000 See more on ForSaleByOwner.com. Offers from pre-qualified buyers only. Call 432-620-8721.

Need some cash? Call CLASSIFIED 682-6222

Residential Rentals

HOUSE FOR RENT - SUPER CLEAN
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage.
Good neighborhood on Lavaca Court.
$2100.00 per mo., 1 yr. lease, 1 mo. deposit.
Kitchen appliances furnished. Available now.
CALL 432-553-0707 or 432-699-4824, 432-556-2363

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Estate Sales

ESTATE SALE
4604 TEAKWOOD TRACE
THURS. & FRI. 9-2 SAT. 9-12

Costume jewelry, guns. Civil War books, china cabinet, dining table & 6 chairs, dinette & 4 chairs, sleeper sofa, sofa, chairs, Hummels, Oriental decor, Needlepoint, Larry Dyke, Schmidt & Windberg prints, Carnival glass, Fiesta, Noritake, Pyrex, cookbooks, Royal Doulton character mugs, Anri angels, Halliburton trucks, Tamaras, rugs, tea service, American Fostoria, perfumes, purses, ladies clothing 14-16, shoes, starves, CD's, DVD's, VHS, Cassettes, books, records, bookshelves, file cabinets, recliner, accent chairs, full beds, misc. tables, mirrors, dressers, sofa tables, lamps, hall tree, grandfather clock, Drexel buffet, console, wood rocker, Brentwood piano, office supplies, sewing notions, Singer sewing machine, core lamp, patterns, quilting, quilt tops, linens, washer, dryer, fridge, wheelchair, golf clubs, A.Torreon figure collection, truck tool box, fishing poles, camping equipment, electronics, stereo, games, cards, framed prints, TV stands, storage shelving, medical equipment, table saw, seasonal, children's books, patio furniture, cedar chests, crockery, sterling jewelry, house and garage packed!

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http://www.EstateSales.NET/TX/Midland/79707/951696

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New Location & New Ownership
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$15,995
Stk# 1041P



2012 VW Jetta
$10,995
Stk# V10007

NEW

Stk# 1027P	2014 BEETLE	MSRP $22,485 - NOW $19,485
Stk# 1010P	2014 JETTA WITH ROOF	MSRP $27,565 - NOW $23,865
Stk# 1030P	2014 BEETLE CONVERTIBLE	MSRP $30,830 - NOW $28,830
Stk# 1003P	2014 PASSAT V6 SEL PREMIUM	MSRP $35,585 - NOW $29,980
Stk# 1043P	2014 CC EXECUTIVE	MSRP $39,175 - NOW $33,175
Stk# D2005B	2014 TOUREG TDI W/NAV	MSRP $52,790 - NOW $44,290

USED

Stk# V10000	2012 TOYOTA HIGHLANDER 4WD 4DR V6 LIM	$32,888
Stk# V10001	2011 AUDI A6 4DR SDN QUATTRO 3.0T	$26,888
Stk# V10002	2012 VOLK JETTA SEDA 4DR AUTO S BLACK	$14,888
Stk# V10004	2012 VOLK BEETLE 2DR CPE MAN 2.5L AUTO S	$15,888
Stk# V10005	2012 VOLK PASSAT 4DR SDN 2.5L AUTO S	$17,888
Stk# V10007	2012 VOLK JETTA SEDA 4DR AUTO S BLACK	$10,995
Stk# V10012	2012 VOLK TIGUAN 2WD 4DR AUTO SE BLU	$18,888

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GET PRE-APPROVED
All prices plus TT&L, subject to prior sale. With approved credit. Offer ends 8/3/2015.
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SUDOKU

THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mepham Group

Level: 1 2 3 4

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

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SOLUTION TO THURSDAY'S PUZZLE

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7/31/15

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GARAGE SALES

CALL 682-6222 TODAY!!

Garage -Estate & Yard Sales

Estate Sales

ESTATE SALE 4808 Shadylane. Friday July 31st, and August 1st from 8am-6pm. Furniture, household goods, clothing, and all decor must go.

Classified-CAN 682-6222

Yard & Garage Sales

79701

1504 N Terrell Street Friday & Saturday 7am-? Toys, children & adult clothing, knick knacks, miscellaneous

GARAGE SALE, Everything must go, we have furniture, tools, home decor, electronics, paint, kids toys, exercise equipment, too much to list all 3 family sale! 1603 McClintic Midland, TX 79701 8am - 2pm SATURDAY ONLY No early birds please....

1001 W. Illinois (ROTC Building) Friday 8am-4pm & Saturday 8am-12pm. Rummage Sale benefiting Midland High ROTC Program.

1205 W. Tennessee Ave. August 1st: 8AM-1PM. MOVING SALE!! EVERYTHING MUST GO!!! Furniture - Toys - Clothes - Housewares - Decor.

79703

1400 MANOR. SAT. ONLY; FURNITURE, KIDS clothes/books, games, misc.

206 N. Dewberry Friday & Saturday 8am-1pm. 2 family garage sale. Kids clothes, toys, tools, & lots of miscellaneous.

3301 Princeton, Friday & Saturday 8am-2pm Car seats, strollers, lots of wall decorations, Little Tyke, bikes, lots of clothes & baby clothes & more.

3611 STOREY Friday & Saturday 7:30am-1pm. Furniture, bedding, baby ;boy items, including clothes (0-12 mos.), kitchen items, home decor, all size clothing and lots of miscellaneous.

4308/10 Bedford. Saturday from 8am-? Multi-family sale! Furniture, Kitchen-aide mixer, electronics, TV's, clothes, toys, vacuum cleaners, lots of misc.

79703

5020 PLEASANT Drive, Friday & Saturday 7am-1pm. Baby clothes newborn to 2T, baby stroller & car seat, entertainment center, Futon sofa, ATV tires, speakers, TV's, total gym workout, clothes size 4 to 10, & lots of misc.

4725 BEDFORD Ave. Friday and Saturday, 7am-? Multi-Family, everything must go! Furniture, house decor, bicycles, name brand clothes.

Fax Your Ad 682-6999

Block Garage SALE 4700-4803 and 4804 Brookdale, Saturday 7:30am-12pm. Come ck us out you might find a treasure. Variety of items. Hope to see you there.

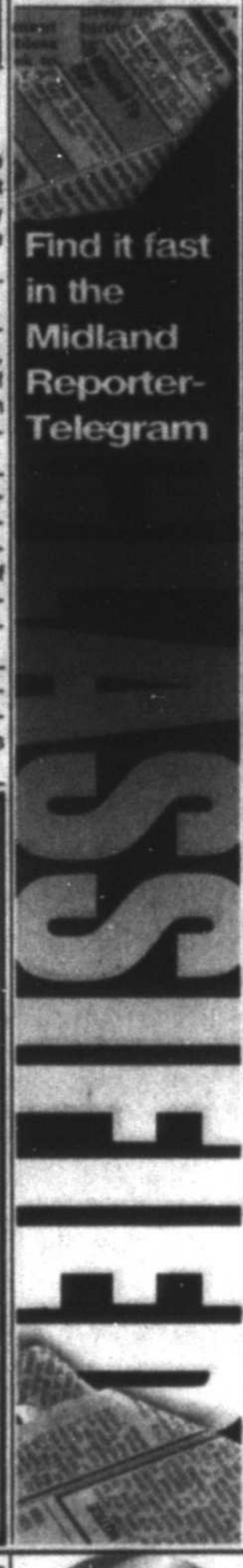
4508 THOMASON, THURS-SAT 9AM-2PM. Moving Sale, Everything must go! Furniture, TVs, kitchen goods, clothes, washer & dryer, and more!

4513 ROOSEVELT Friday 5pm-8pm & Saturday 8am-? Some furniture, all sizes of clothing, miscellaneous items. Inside moving & garage sale.

4619 CHEROKEE. Saturday 7am-12pm. Baby and women clothes and other baby items.

79703

4620 ANDREWS Hwy Thursday & Friday 8am-5pm & Saturday 8am-3pm. Huge yard sale. . Thousands of items, something for everyone, new couch & loveseat, new and uses dressers; tables, bed, antique buffet, mens & womens jeans & clothing, Dallas Cowboys clothes & collectibles, tools, jewelry, knick knacks, antiques, collectibles, movies, DVD's, toys household items, performance auto parts.



★★ ESTATE SALE ★★
★★ by PATRICIA & TEAM ★★
3001 GODDARD, MIDLAND, TEXAS
Thursday, July 30th , 8:30am-3:00pm
Friday, July 31st, 8:30am-3:00pm
Saturday, August 1st, 8:30am-12:00pm

Broyhill king bed, dresser/mirror, and armoire. Howard Miller floor clock, Drexel Heritage love seat, Michael Atkinson art prints, Shoreline Neighbors by Terry Redlin, Queen sleigh bed with dresser/mirror, yard décor/furniture, depression glass, Noritake china, crystal.
Go to estatesales.net to view pictures.
Cash, Visa, MC, & Discover accepted. No checks please.

ESTATE SALE BY JOSEPH & TEAM
4430 LANHAM ST. (MIDLAND)

THURSDAY & FRIDAY 9-3 SATURDAY 9-12

Beautiful furniture and collectibles, including...Snow babies, depression glass, Shawnee corn, lamps, 2 sets of china, Lefton tea set, porcelain figurines, records/DVDs, kitchen items, mirrors, vintage dolls, art work (Windberg/Betty Allison/etc.), fridge/freezer/washer/dryer, china cabinet, leather sofa/chair/ottoman, red leather love seat, dining table/6 chairs, TV, lamp/sidetables, full/queen/king beds, dressers/mirrors, chest of drawers, night stands, clothes armoire, gun cabinet, electric lawnmower, vintage patio furniture, and the usual misc.

For photos, visit:
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Need Help Selling Your Vehicle
Call the Classified Dept. 682-6222 to place ad

Open House
The Cats Meow
408 Andrews Hwy, Midland
July 31 - August 1
Fri-Sat 10 - 6

Just back for a few days from a road trip of over 9000 miles. I brought back a wonderful assortment of items including a 1900 Battenberg Cloth, Italian linens, Madonna & Child Coverlet, Huge hankie collection, (will have an assortment of 1.00 hankies),1950's printed tablecloths, Aprons, Costume Jewelry, Gold plated bangles, Whiting & Davis, rhinestone & beaded purses, Old tins, Patriotic Memorabilia, Americana Plates, Flow blue, Majolica, Hummels, Staffordshire dogs, Silver plate basket, Satsuma pottery, 1880's Painted chest, Picard bowl, Mid-Century Modern glass, Venetian, Art Nouveau Cherry Table, Salesman sample chest, Paper Weight, Head vases, Paper weight, Crazy quilt and hundreds of things too numerous to mention. **Bring in this ad for 20% off store wide.**

Yard & Garage Sales

79705

1600 W Pine. Saturday Only 8AM. NO EARLY BIRDS!! Dressers, Xmas lights, home decor, lots of clothing and shoes (mens, womens, girls & toddler sizes), jewelry, toys, prom/evening gowns, wedding dress, sheets, towels, kitchen items, phone cases, double stroller, etc. Everything Must Go!

1700 Magnolia Ave. Aug. 1st 8am-12pm. Garage sale for our youth Pease Elementary.

1805 PUEBLO Saturday only 8am-3pm. Furniture, baby clothes toys, pots & pans

2211 NORTHRUP Friday & Saturday 8am-12pm. New Singer sewing machine, tools, lawn mower, baby jumper, wheelchair, adult walker, picture frames, marble table, rolling cart, seashells & rocks, and baby furniture!

2403 FAIRVIEW Lane Saturday 8am-12pm. Daybed, large rugs, home decor, clothes, & more furniture.

2807 SANDHILL Circle, Saturday 8am-1pm. Yard sale. Big screen TV, teen school uniforms, kitchen & miscellaneous items. Too much to list.

2901 GODDARD Pl., Fri.- Sat., -8am-3pm. Armoire, girls and adult clothes and shoes, school uniforms, golf stuff, piano and misc.

3226 CIMMARON. Friday & Saturday, 8am-? Furniture, maternity clothes, adult clothing, kids toys, and misc.

3310 Alford Street. Friday & Saturday 8am-? Mens-womens-childrens clothing, household items.

5501 E. Hwy 80, Pecan Grove Mobile Park, space 12. Fri., Sat., & Sun. from 8am-4pm. Kitchen items, furniture, bunny collection, too much to list!

79705

408 E DENGAR. Fri-Sat 8AM. Home Decor, Womens and girls (4T, 5-7) clothes and shoes (Jordans, sperrys, etc). Kitchen appliances, toys, furniture, purses, lots of great stuff!!

4917 BELLE Grove Ct. Garage sale. Living room furniture. 432-553-7000.

5709 E. Co. Rd. 60 (watch for sign on E. 250 loop) Fri. 1-5pm, Sat. 9am-4pm. Moving sale with furniture, dishes, knick knacks, Christmas, 2- muskrat furs, clothes, lots of miscellaneous items, plus shop items.

79706

1101 S. CR 1129. Friday & Saturday, 8am-3pm. Table & chairs, piano, 40+ boxes of tile, nice ladies and girls clothes, home decor, and more!

3309 W. CR 115 (right by the cable company, over the overpass and half a mile, on the right). Friday and Saturday 8am-5pm.

Fax Your Ad 682-6999

4401 SCR 1200 Saturday 8am-1pm. Lots of toys for girls & boys, ladies clothes size small & medium, shoes size 7, purses, luggage, girls twin bedroom set, & fall & house decor.

4810 S. CR 1175, Starts Friday, July 31st at 12pm, Saturday and Sunday at 7am. (Midland. Located 2 miles south of I-20 on Rankin Hwy (349), to CR 130, go east 1.5 miles, follow the signs). Huge estate sale along with 2 family garage sale. Antiques, retro jukebox with records; appliances, TV's, holiday decoration, kiln with ceramics/china/paints, toys, baby bed, clothing, bargain bins, and for free items.

Yard & Garage Sales

79706

GARAGE SALE - 5100 FM 715, FRIDAY only 8am-? Riding lawn mower and tiller, baby & toddlers clothes, toys, household items, teaching supplies, BBQ grill, tools, dishes, Chinch men's clothing, & lots more!

79707

2915 REBEL Drive Saturday 8am-12pm. No early birds. Crib, stroller, toddler clothes, toddler toys, mens & womens clothing, craft supplies, kitchen wares, & miscellaneous items.

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3306 HAYNES, sale will be in front courtyard. Friday & Saturday, 8am-1pm. Pool table, weight bench and weights, file cabinets, home decor, plants, glassware, pictures, 5-disc DVD player with surround sound, Blue-rays and video games, benches, tools, and lots more!

3309 STANOLIND Court. Friday, 7:30am-6pm & Saturday, 7:30am-12pm. Furniture, bedding, decorative items, clothes, dishes, pots and pans, and much more!

3526/28 SHELL Ave. Fri. & Sat., 8am-12pm. Moving sale, 2 family.

3702 GULF. Friday only 8am. King bed with headboard and night stands, 24in. tires and rims (2, 32 X 82 doors 3, 24 X82) tools, home decor, gardening equipment, Christmas items.

4502 SPENCE Dr. Friday only 8am-1pm. Nurse uniforms, household items, toys, PS3 and PS3 games, young man and adult plus size clothes, and lots of misc.

4705 CINDY PLACE, Saturday Only 9am-1pm Moving Sale! Name brands, furniture & lots of miscellaneous.

79707

1825 DUKES DRIVE (in alley)
Friday & Saturday 8am- 6pm.
Gas grill, exercise equipment, multi-speed men's bicycle, luggage, & men's clothing (size 2X shirts and pants 44x30 - 48x30). Tons of Christmas decorations including a 12' tree & 7.5' pre-lit tree with remote, plus lots of miscellaneous.

3900 CRESTRIDGE. Saturday 8:00am-3:00 pm. Sporting goods, games, furniture, bikes, electric motorcycle and 4 wheeler, household items, tents, cots, teacher supplies and books. Nice jackets and coats, tons of baseballs and golf balls, sewing machine and sewing items.

4011 LEHIGH Saturday 8am-6pm. Moving in sale. Too much stuff. Simons queen bedding set, refrigerator, washer & dryer, occasion table, lots of decorating decor. Small business sale. Clothes, kitchen & lots of this & that. Everything is like new

5017 PIMLICO Drive Friday 8am-2pm. Multi family sale! Kids clothes, adult clothes & shoes, furniture, kitchen ware, electronics, kids toys, home decor, housewares & lots of miscellaneous. Lots of great stuff!!

5110 TROBAUGH Blvd. park on street. Sunday only, 7am-12pm. Antique door mirror, antique pine twin bed, tools, english tack, misc horse items & more!

5508 CYPRESS Court (Green Tree South) Saturday 8am-1pm. Loveseat, Wingback chair, game table & chairs, office chairs & filing cabinets, grill, TV's, lawnmower & pole edger, ski rack, golf clubs, Christmas & house decor, antiques, books, cameras, toys, name label clothes & much more.

GARAGE SALE, 9am till noon on 8/1/15 in alley behind 2009 Gladewood DR

6303 DRIFTWOOD Drive, Greentree Subdivision. Garage Sale Saturday 8am-11am

THE MOTHER OF ALL GARAGE SALES! 4501 Cimmaron, Fri. 7am-1pm, and Sat. 7-? 6 families & baseball/softball equip. from sports store closing. Also including metal detector, TV's lamps/shades, decorators items, old tools, retail displays, furniture, clothing & accessories, 30 years of collectible Anheuser-Busch steins & taps & more!

MOVING SALE. 6800 WCR 48 in the BARN...Saturday 8am-noon. Couch, full bedding, dryer, exercise equipment, wheelchair lift, toys, tools, 2 new saddles, dolls, tons of miscellaneous....something for everyone...

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Vacation & Resort Property

LAKE BROWNWOOD Waterfront Home. West end cove, 4 lots, trees. 4/2, fireplace, carport, large deck. Large storage bldg. w/ attached bunkhouse. Fully furnished "AS IS" move-in ready. $175K (325) 514-6813 or 3821

Lots & Land
Acreage

LAND FOR SALE, close to Midland. 10.4 acres, NE Midland good water well, electricity, septic. Good for ranch house close to town. Restrictions is no mobile homes. Negotiable. Email: arcil247@yahoo.com 620-482-2530

Ranches

1,280 ACRES grass lease, ungrazed. Near Westbrook I-20, Greenville. Good fences, water, Pines + well water. 972-876-0822.

Lots & Land

RANCH FOR SALE
4,212 Acres
near Snyder, Tx.
Water, 3 houses,
great hunting.
Owner Financing
$795/ Acre
(432) 664-7764

Commercial

AVAILABLE FOR LEASE 2203 "B" N. Big Spring, app. 2600 sq. ft. 38' x 75' & 2209 N. Big Spring 3600 sq. ft, 48' x 75'.May divide. Call Matt Pillado 817-583-9734

Commercial Building For Lease
13,500sq/ft
Fenced/Paved Yard
Midland, Texas
$12,500/month
432-664-7764

COMMERCIAL YARD FOR LEASE
5 ACRES, FENCED
2 AC CALICHED
ELECTRIC GATE
$2200/MONTH
JUST EAST OF MIDLAND
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Commercial

FOR LEASE /Build to Suit
Commercial shop
with 5 acre yard
East of Midland
432-664-7764
432-934-7777

Commercial

"MAN CAVE"
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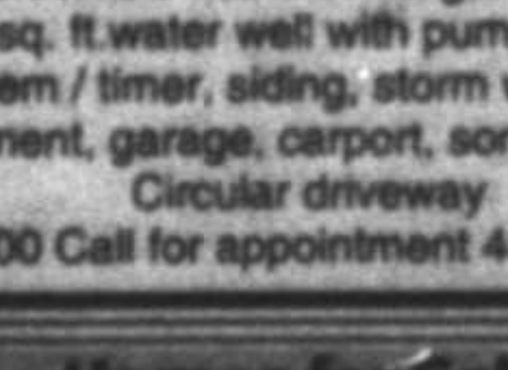

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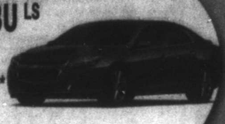

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