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HICK-HOP IN TOWN

Texas-native Cowboy Troy comes to Midland with Big & Rich for this weekend's Big Boys' Toys 2014 fundraiser benefiting MARC on Saturday at the Horseshoe Arena.

Weekender/inside

City looks to add fields to sports complex

Development group mulls other projects as 4B tax expiration looms

By Joseph Basco
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The city of Midland's Parks and Recreation division envisions adding four auxiliary football and soccer fields to the Scharbauer Sports Complex to improve the local quality of life, but the uncertainty of the 4B sales tax — revenue exclusively for sports complex use — lingers as its 2016 expiration nears.

As revealed during the Football-Soccer and Baseball Complex Development Corp. meeting Wednesday, the Parks and Recreation division wants to build four fields on top of underused parking lots in the southern or eastern portions of the sports complex.

If the four new fields are laid with grass, they may cost $2.6 million. Play turf would increase the cost to $3.7 million. But yearly maintenance costs for grass fields may be $23,000 compared to $3,000 for play turf fields.

"There's not enough places to play for the kids that live here," said Tim Bryson, a board member of the sports complex development corp. "There's some pent-up demand from schools, other organizations and also from teams that travel."

Despite the benefits that the new fields could provide, the board did not vote on this particular capital project because it would not be completed until 2017, after the voters decide the fate of the 4B sales tax. Instead, the group approved three other capital projects: a basketball half-court for $20,000, a new video board for Security Bank Ballpark for $525,000, and a lighted practice field for $3.7 million. All three items will have to get City Council approval.

Just as with the Midland Development Corp., a quarter cent of the sales tax revenue goes to the sports complex development corp. to be used for specific purposes, such as capital projects. The 4B sales tax generated $9.58 million in fiscal year 2013.

For this fiscal year to date, the sports complex development corp. has collected $6.08 million in 4B sales tax revenue.

Pam Simecka, the city's finance director, predicted that the fiscal year will end with between $10 million to $11 million in 4B sales tax revenue.

That revenue, along with fiscal year 2015's revenue, could be the final amounts the sports complex development corp. could collect from sales tax if voters decide in 2016 not to continue the 4B sales tax. Consequently, sports complex capital improvements and other expenses would be paid for from the city's general fund, which could then lead to other consequences.

"We've got to let the voters know your taxes will go up if the 4B goes away," Dufford said. "It's that simple."

EDUCATE THE MASSES



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Susan Combs talks with former Judge Barbara Culver Clack on Wednesday before the Midland County Republican Women's luncheon.

Comptroller Susan Combs advocates for debt transparency using the Internet

By Joseph Basco
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State Comptroller Susan Combs asked people at 40 town hall meetings whether they are aware of the pre-existing debt when they vote in a bond election.

"Nobody at any one of these town hall meetings knew," said Combs at the Midland County Republican Women meeting Wednesday.

She pointed out other instances of tax and debt ignorance, such as not knowing what the taxing entities are or what a special-purpose sales tax district is.

So to educate the masses about debt, Combs launched a website, Tell The Truth Texas. The website includes information on all upcoming school bond elections.

Combs teased to more information that will be released on the website next week, including the cost-per-student numbers. She referenced one preschool in Austin — a "Taj Mahal for tots" — that cost $40,000 per student, she said.

Combs was not critical of the cost itself. It is the context of the debt that she was criticizing. She said students at this particular school were not using computers or "doing lasers." After her speech she said it was overbuilt and very expensive.

"Debt is not intrinsically bad," Combs said. "It, in fact, can fuel the economy. Debt can be terrific but you have to know what you are paying for."

Combs provided statistics on debt in Midland County. Since 2004, the population has increased 25 percent and debt per capita increased 27 percent, according to Combs.

Though there are no spring bond elections in the area, Combs still stressed bond debt awareness.

"Have they (taxing entities) really scrubbed the numbers, have they really done everything right?" Comb said.

Other topics the state comptroller discussed were the lesser prairie chicken and dunes sagebrush lizard, animals whose listings as endangered species could consequently endanger the oil and gas industry.

"The larger point I wanted to make is that these species keep coming and coming," Combs said. "We're ill-prepared, from the perspective of having adequate scientific information, to know whether it (lesser prairie chicken) is even remotely threatened or endangered or not."

At-large candidates

The two City Council at-large candidates, Spencer Robnett and Keith McLelland, also spoke at the MCRW luncheon to reiterate their platforms.

Both candidates carried over their

Please see MEETING/4A

DPS: Midland man dies in Tuesday crash

■ Death marks 13th fatality this year on Midland County roads

From staff reports

A Midland man died Tuesday morning in a single-vehicle crash in northeast Midland, according to the Department of Public Safety.

Trenton Michael Thomas, 25, was driving an SUV westbound shortly before 7 a.m. on West County Road 60 near North County Road 1125. The vehicle traveled off the roadway and overturned, coming to rest in an upright position, according to DPS.

He was pronounced dead at the scene. He was not wearing a seat belt.

Thomas' death marks the 13th fatality in as many crashes this year on Midland County roads.

The most recent fatality occurred March 22 when a 24-year-old Midland man died after his motorcycle collided with a pickup in the 2100 block of South Rankin Highway.

Before that, a 15-year-old Midland boy died March 15 in Lubbock from injuries suffered in a March 11 rollover crash in the 8000 block of State Highway 191.

Louisiana MSA tops Midland on jobless list

From staff reports

Midland has been replaced atop the list of the lowest unemployment rates in the nation.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Houma-Bayou Cane-Thibodaux, La., posted the lowest jobless rate in America, dropping from 3.5 percent in January to 2.8 percent in February.

Midland, which tied for the lowest rate in December and was the lone metropolitan statistical area in the nation below 3 percent in January, was second at 3 percent.

Lafayette, La., (3.1) and Burlington, Vt., (3.3) were third and fourth respectively. Ames, Iowa, Logan, Utah, and Bismarck, N.D., tied for fifth (3.5 percent). Odessa (3.7) tied for 10th.

The BLS reported Midland's civilian labor force grew by 3,000 people from February 2013 to February 2014 and by 600 compared to January. Of the 96,200 people reported in the labor force, 2,900 were unemployed.

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Obituaries



Gary Edward Carson

Gary Edward Carson, 67, died Tuesday, March 25, 2014.

Graveside services will be 1:00 p.m. Saturday, April 12 at Dumas Cemetery in Dumas, Texas, with Pastor Jerry Howe from the First Baptist Church of Dumas officiating.

Mr. Carson was born September 12, 1946 in Dallas. Gary spent his youth living in Dumas, Texhoma and Groom. He graduated Groom High School in 1965 and attended Texas Tech University.

Gary worked for Colorado Interstate Gas Company for many years in several locations in Texas, Colorado and Oklahoma. He was a longtime resident of Midland where he lived prior to moving to Flower Mound. His passions included golf and coaching Little League baseball.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Oscar and Pauline Carson of Dumas.

Survivors include a brother, Paul Carson and wife Debbie of Amarillo; a daughter, Angie Lucio and husband Jaime; a son, Scott Carson and wife Inge of Argyle, Texas; his grandchildren, Lauren Bailey of San Antonio and Oliver Carson of Argyle; and a great-grandson, Bryson Bailey of San Antonio.

The family would like to thank Irene Canales and the staff at Avalon Care Services for their loving care.

The family suggests memorials be to Cure Alzheimer's Fund, 34 Washington St., Suite 200, Wellesley Hills, MA 02481 - Phone: 781-237-3800, Fax: 781-658-2399, or email *info@curealz.org*.



Juanita M. Aguilar

Juanita M. Aguilar, 51, of Midland, passed away at her residence on April 8, 2014 under the care of Home Hospice.

Regardless of the hardships in her life, Juanita always stayed positive and upbeat. She met each day with a smile. She was always available to her children, an ear to bend or a shoulder to cry on. Everyone who had the pleasure of knowing her, loved her and her presence will be greatly missed.

Left to cherish her memory are her father, Paublo Aguilar of Big Spring, Texas; mother, Alvina Navarette of Fort Morgan, Colorado; three sons, Angel Romo (wife, Cassie) Jesse Romo and Pete Diaz, all of Midland, Texas; six brothers, John Aguilar of Michigan, Manuel Aguilar of Colorado, Luis Aguilar of Colorado, Antonio Aguilar of Colorado, Gilbert Auilar of Michigan and Robert Aguilar of Michigan; two sisters, Gloria Aguilar of Michigan and Linda Villareal of San Antonio, Texas; and by five grandchildren, Mason and Jacob Romo, Ayden Romo, Avory and Isabella Diaz.

Viewing will be held on Friday, April 11, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at American Heritage Chapel.

All arrangements are entrusted to American Heritage Cemetery and Funeral Home.

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Shirley Ann Mays

Shirley Ann Mays was taken from this world and delivered to God on Wednesday, April 9, 2014. She was born January 12, 1939 in Cranfills Gap, Texas.

Shirley was a self-educated woman in the medical field as a Physical Therapist, X-ray Technician, and Lab Technician. She learned about alternative medicine and studied holistic medicine. She loved helping people, playing golf, and learning anything new.

Shirley is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Joel T. Mays.

Shirley is survived by daughter, Tamy Armstrong; sons, Mike Mahan and Scott Mathis; stepdaughter, Susan Coe; sister, Jackie Ryan; and lots of grandchildren and great- grandchildren.

A visitation will be held at Ellis Funeral Home on Thursday, April 10, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Funeral service will be held at Resthaven Memorial Park on Friday, April 11, 2014 at 9:00am, officiated by Father Tom Finney.

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

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Virginia Peacock

Virginia Peacock, 85, of Midland, passed away Tuesday, April 8, 2014 in Midland. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, April 11, 2014 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel in Midland. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Virginia was born April 25, 1928 to Bulah and William Walker in Tulsa, Oklahoma. She moved from Tulsa to Corsicana, Texas in 1930. She met and married George Peacock in Corsicana on April 19, 1943. They moved to Midland in 1950.

Virginia was a homemaker and raised three children until starting her business, B & V Quilting, as a quilting designer. She took great joy in making special quilts, bedspreads and comforters for various designers and families throughout Midland. Virginia made a backdrop banner for an event honoring the Pope in Canada.

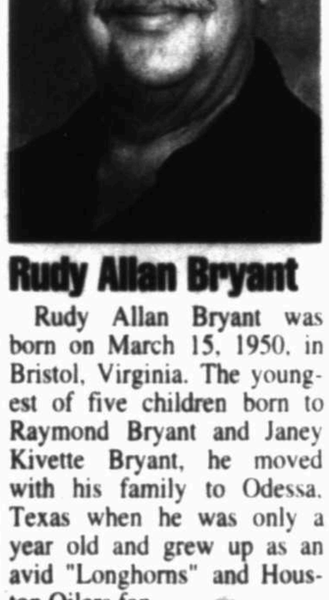
She was a volunteer driver for Rides of Hope. She was a member of the Red Hat Society and was very active in the cancer survivor group at Allison Cancer Center. She loved her family, camping, bluebonnets and wild flowers, sports, and hummingbirds.

Survivors include son, James Peacock and wife Nan of Fort Worth; daughter, Nancy Tranum of Midland; son, John Peacock and wife Lu of Arlington, Texas; sister, Etta Dirickson of Greenville, Texas; brother, George Walker of Clyde, Texas; brother, Earl Walker of Midland; brother, Larry Walker of Greenville, Texas; grandchildren, Jeff Tranum, Derek Tranum, Amber Moreland, Christopher Peacock, and Jessica Liberto; great grandchildren, Dillon Tranum, Payton Tranum, Tucker Tranum, and Cash Tranum; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband, sister, Doreta Bradshaw, and brother, Marvin Walker.

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

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



Rudy Allan Bryant

Rudy Allan Bryant was born on March 15, 1950, in Bristol, Virginia. The youngest of five children born to Raymond Bryant and Janey Kivette Bryant, he moved with his family to Odessa, Texas when he was only a year old and grew up as an avid "Longhorns" and Houston Oilers fan.

He graduated from Odessa High School in 1968 and attended Odessa College for two years before settling into his life-long career in newspaper circulation.

Rudy started in the newspaper business when he was nine by helping his older brother, Ray Douglas Bryant, throw papers for the Odessa American newspaper and took over his own route at the age of 11.

By the time he was 17, he was managing single copy circulation for the Odessa American while finishing his school and dabbling in a side business repairing radio and CB communications devices. He had worked his way up to circulation director when he met the woman who would become the love of his life.

On July 9, 1976, Rudy married Brenda Kay Boone and adopted her two small children, Leslie and David, giving them his last name to show them how much he loved them. His youngest daughter, Lisa, came along in 1979 and a year later, another promotion took his family to McAllen, Texas, where he took over the circulation department for The Monitor newspaper.

After his wife passed away in 1988, he returned to Odessa and took a job with The Dallas Morning News. He moved to Midland shortly after and began working as a city circulation manager at the Midland Reporter-Telegram in June 2006. He passed away of heart failure at Midland Memorial Hospital April 7, 2014.

Rudy was a loving father and a devoted husband and son, always willing to sacrifice for his family. He supported his children's career decisions, whether or not he agreed with those decisions, and when his grandchildren were born, he would often say that if he had known how much fun his grandchildren were going to be, he would have had them first.

His favorite color was blue and he enjoyed hunting, fishing, bowling, playing golf and listening to Elvis, because no one could ever compare to the "King of Rock and Roll." While not a musician himself, Rudy was a master of playing the world's smallest violin between his thumb and forefinger. He only knew how to play one song, however, which he titled "My Heart Bleeds for You."

Rudy loved to travel and see new places, often stopping at every historical marker on the side of the road during vacations to take a picture. He dreamed of traveling to Florida in a recreational vehicle with his entire family, to include his son-in-law, Juan Trevino, Jr., his daughter-in-law, Michele Lia Bryant, and all his grandchildren, a dream his children were highly dubious of.

His sense of humor was infectious, and he often found ways to fulfill birthday and Christmas wishes in a literal sense. His children learned early to never ask him to pass anything at the dinner table, because he would tell them to "catch" and then throw it like a football, and when his granddaughter would lose her cell phone and ask him to call it for her, he would yell out for it as if he was searching for a lost pet.

Rudy is survived by his three children, Leslie Ann Trevino, David Allan Bryant, and Lisa Rae Bryant; his three sisters, Revonda Ikeler, Rowan Halfacre and Reta Russell; and his three grandchildren, Christopher Ard, Megan Kay Wells and Heather Kay Trevino.

Services will be held at the Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home in Odessa Saturday, April 12, 2014, at 10:00 a.m., after which he will be laid to rest next to his wife at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Odessa.

Services are entrusted to Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

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Death Notices

David W. Dunckel

David W. Dunckel, 74, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, April 8, 2014. Memorial services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, April 11, 2014 at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

The family will receive friends from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday, April 10, 2014 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Survivors include his wife, Irma Dunckel; one son, Bruce Dunckel; one daughter, Diane Livengood; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and by other family members.

Raymond Stukel

Raymond Stukel, 85, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, April 8, 2014. Memorial services will be 2:00 p.m. Friday, April 11, 2014 at St. Paul Lutheran Church.

He is survived by his wife, Rose Stukel; two sons, Randy Stukel and Russ Stukel; two grandchildren; and by other family members.

Sharon Oldaker

Sharon Oldaker, 59, of Midland passed away Tuesday, April 8, 2014. Memorial services are pending at this time.

Survivors include husband, John P. Struthers; son, Zachery Struthers; daughter, Kay Phillips; two grandchildren; parents, Jerry and Armeeta Oldaker; 3 sisters and 1 brother.

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

Vera Robertson

Vera Robertson, 81, of Big Spring, died Tuesday, April 8, 2014. Graveside funeral services will be held at 4:00 p.m. Friday, April 11, 2014 at the Peace Chapel at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends from to 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch funeral home.

She is survived by one son, Mike Robertson; one daughter, Vicki Martin; six grandchildren and six great grandchildren; and by other family members.

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Former pro wrestler Ultimate Warrior dies at 54

Associated Press

The Ultimate Warrior put on his signature air-brushed trench coat, shook the white ring ropes, and, for a few fleeting minutes, the wrestler billed as hailing from Parts Unknown was back home in the wrestling ring.

"Speak to me, Warriors!" he bellowed on Monday night's "Raw", back on TV after an 18-year absence.

He soaked up the applause from a New Orleans crowd chanting his name and pulled out a neon mask that replicated the face paint he wore in the ring for every main event battle with Hulk Hogan and Randy "Macho Man" Savage in the 1990s. Warrior cut a promo to show how much he appreciated his return to the WWE.

Less than 24 hours later, Warrior, one of the most colorful stars in pro wrestling history, was dead. He was 54.

"We are all grateful to have had the opportunity to get the closure with him, to work to get him back on that platform," said Paul "Triple H" Levesque, a wrestler and top WWE executive. "Knowing him now, there could have been no better send-off, really, for him, than that. It was everything he would have dreamed of."

After ending his estrangement with the company, Warrior was in the spotlight again earlier this week, making appearances at WrestleMania 30 and on "Monday Night Raw," and he was inducted into the WWE Hall of fame.

His last promo on WWE's flagship show seems almost eerie now with his triumphant return overshadowed by his sudden death.

"No WWE talent becomes a legend on their own," Warrior said. "Every man's heart one day beats its final beat. His lungs breathe their final breath. And if what that man did in his life makes the blood pulse through the body of others, it makes them bleed deeper and something larger than life, then his essence, his spirit, will be immortalized."

The Ultimate Warrior personified the larger-than-life cartoon characters who helped skyrocket the WWE into a mainstream phenomenon in the late 1980s and early 1990s.

Warrior dressed in face paint, had tassels dangling from his super-sized biceps and sprinted to the ring when his theme music hit. He'd shake the ropes, grunt and howl, and thump his chest while the crowd went wild for the popular good guy.

In an era when the WWE targeted kids as its primary audience, Warrior was a perfect fit with a spastic entrance, blood-pumping music, flowing locks and always dressed in electric colors from head to boots.

The WWE said Warrior, who legally changed his name from James Hellwig to his wrestling moniker, died Tuesday. Scottsdale, Ariz., police spokesman Sgt. Mark Clark said he collapsed while walking with his wife to their car at a hotel and was pronounced dead at a hospital.

There were no signs of foul play, Clark said. The Maricopa County Medical Examiner's Office will conduct an autopsy today, county spokeswoman Cari Gerchick said.

UTPB students approve football referendum

By Tessa Duvall
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ODESSA — Students at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin have approved repurposing a $35 fee to support the school's creation of a Division II football team.

Of the 364 students who cast votes in the referendum, 80.5 percent support allowing the student union fee to now be used for athletics. Seventeen percent voted against the fee change, and 2.5 percent of voters abstained.

Voter turnout in the referendum represents a little more than 7 percent of UTPB's 5,043 total students enrolled for the spring semester.

By the numbers

In favor: 80.5 percent
Not in favor: 17 percent
Abstention: 2.5 percent

364 students voted
UTPB total spring enrollment: 5,043

Voting originally was scheduled from April 2-4, but was extended to Monday and Tuesday to "give students an additional opportunity to exercise their right to participate in the voting process," according to a UTPB release.

Voting was conducted on campus at a table in the lobby of the Mesa Building. Students were notified of the vote by a campus-wide email.

Approval authorizes UTPB to take an existing $35 per semester student union fee and apply it to athletics. Full-time students taking 15 semester hours also currently pay an $180 athletics fee per semester.

The money collected from the fee is estimated to be more than $1.9 million from fiscal year 2014 through the first four years of the program, according to UT Regents materials. As a condition, students cannot be assessed any additional athletic fees during the implementation of the football program, according to previous Reporter-Telegram reports.

UTPB must raise $9.5 million by the end of the year to cover the first five years of operations, according to a past UTPB press release.

UTPB President David Watts said the football program is being eagerly supported by the community. The university has raised about $5 million toward its $9.5 million goal, he said.

The plan to add a football team was approved by the UT System Board of Regents in December, and is a part of the university's plan to become an increasingly residential school.

UTPB spring enrollment up 21 percent from 2013

From staff reports

The number of students taking classes at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin is up 21.4 percent over spring 2013 figures, the university announced Wednesday.

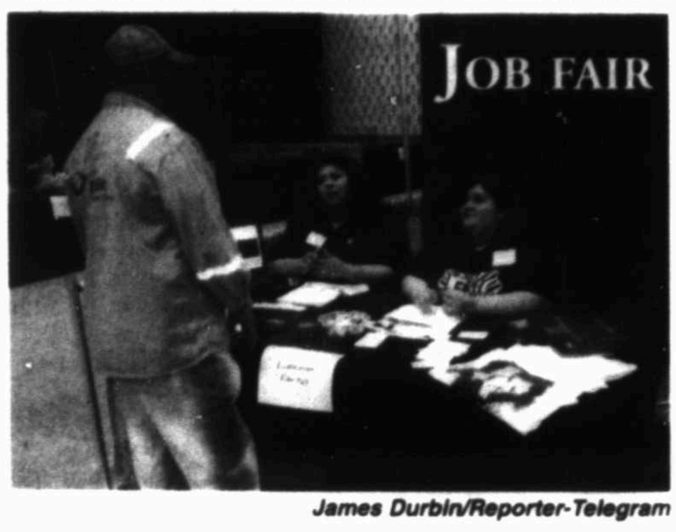
Final spring enrollment is at 5,043 students.

In the fall, enrollment topped 5,000 students for the first time in university history.

Student credit hours are also up 20.4 percent over spring 2013.

Areas of fastest growth are dual credit, new online degrees, graduate studies, nursing and engineering.

UTPB credits its growth to the expansion of online programs, affordable tuition and quality instruction, according to a university press release.



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

The Reporter-Telegram's annual career fair was held Wednesday at the Midland Center.

MPD: Man possessed meth, painkillers



Robles

A Midland man was arrested early Wednesday for possessing about 4.6 grams of methamphetamine and painkillers, according to court documents.

Roberto Robles, 45, is being held on a $11,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of possession of a controlled substance between 4 and 200 grams and class A misdemeanor charges of possession of a dangerous drug and failure to identify as a fugitive by using false information.

Midland police officers initiated a traffic stop at about 1:15 a.m. Wednesday in the 3600 block of Williams Street.

As the officers approached the vehicle, the back-seat passenger was reaching under a large pile of clothing that was in the back seat. The passenger identified himself as Jimmy Alvarado, but the officers discovered that he was lying about his identity.

The officers found a large cigarette carton under the clothes. The carton contained about 4.6 grams of methamphetamine and about nine hydrocodone pills, according to the arrest affidavit.

They learned the passenger was Robles, who had eight local warrants for his arrest.

If convicted, he faces up to 20 years in prison for the felony and up to one year for each class A misdemeanor.

MCSO: Inmate assaults sheriff's officer

A Midland man faces a second charge of assault on a public servant after he assaulted a a sheriff's officer at the Midland County jail on Saturday, according to court documents.

CRIMEBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Kuani Lanier Tillman, 23, was charged Monday with another third-degree felony charge of assault on a public servant. Bond was set at $25,000.



Tillman

He was arrested March 27 for allegedly assaulting a police officer after he stole shoes from a Midland Park Mall store. Bond was set at $30,000. He remains in jail.

In the second incident, which occurred at the jail, a sergeant was called to assist another officer. The sergeant said Tillman was holding his hands as if he was shooting pistols at other inmates. He was yelling loudly and incoherently.

Tillman got into an aggressive stance when the sergeant approached, so the sergeant pulled out a Taser. The sergeant tased Tillman after he failed to comply with verbal commands, but it was ineffective in subduing him.

The suspect struck the sergeant in the left side of his face, and the two law enforcement officers began to use physical force to subdue Tillman.

A nurse at the jail said Tillman may have been under the influence of a drug found in the jail or another inmate's medication, according to the arrest affidavit.

If convicted, Tillman faces up to 10 years in prison.

MPD: Woman used iron in assault

A Midland woman was arrested Tuesday for throwing an iron at a woman and punching her in the face multiple times, according to court documents.



Braziel

Lakia Shauntee Braziel, 27, is being held on a $50,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

A Midland police officer talked to a woman Tuesday evening about an assault that allegedly occurred at an East Wadley Avenue apartment complex earlier that day.

The alleged victim said she was talking to Braziel, who was getting increasingly angry and then threw a black metal iron at the woman, hitting her in the elbow, according to the affidavit.

Braziel left the apartment, and as the other woman left soon after, Braziel punched her in the face about four times, according to the arrest affidavit.

If convicted, Braziel faces up to 20 years in prison.

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Today's matchups
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Things to do

■ Storytime 10:30 a.m. at Midland County Public Library downtown location. www.co.midland.tx.us.

■ Rebecca D. Henderson reading from "A Stake in West Texas: Pulling a Chain and Raising a Family Across Big Oil Country," 5 p.m., Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

■ "Improv at the Yucca's Thirsty Thursday," 7 p.m. at Yucca Theatre. mctmidland.org

Sales tax

The city's sales tax revenue from the State Comptroller's Office for the month of April is $3,121,973.

This figure reflects a $255,175 increase — or a 8.9 percent — from April 2013.

The year-to-date total sales tax revenue for fiscal year 2013-2014 is up $2,266,514 — a 10.27 percent — from last year at this time. Fiscal year-to-date actual sales tax revenue is $24,337,409.

Sales tax revenue is generated by sales tax income from two months before collection; April collection is based on February sales.

Community calendar

■ Old Sorehead Trade Days is set for Saturday and Sunday at Stanton's community center and downtown. Hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday.

The annual event features food booths, fine arts, antiques, crafts, entertainment and a trading lot. For more information, see www.stantontex.com or call 432-756-2006.

■ Midland Memorial Hospital and Midland Fire Department representatives will join several past patients and family members for the third annual Celebrate Life. The event is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. today at the hospital's Barbara O'Shanessey Courtyard.

■ The annual Community Easter Egg Hunt Eggstravaganza at Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home, 1809 N. Highway 87 in Big Spring, is 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 19.

Residents of the home have stuffed 65,000 plastic eggs with candy and certificates for gifts donated by local businesses. The egg hunt is for children through age 12. Bicycles will be given away as prizes and food and drinks will be served.

For more information, call 1-800-252-VETS (8387) or visit www.texasveterans.com.

■ Registration ends Friday for the Dawson Biast Clay Shoot benefiting the West Texas Food Bank. The event is April 18 at Jakes Clays, 13301 Farm-to-Market Road 1379. Six-man team rotations are scheduled for 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

The cost is $185 per shooter, with corporate sponsorships available from $500 to $2,500. To register, contact Kristen Bradshaw at kristen@dawson3d.com.

Support groups, club meetings

■ Chronic fatigue fibro-myalgia syndromes support group meets noon; Rays of Hope Grief Centre; 520-3500.

■ Permian Basin Community Service Organization (for individuals, organizations or businesses that provide services to improve quality of life), 11:45 a.m., Mi Piaci Italian Restaurant, 2607 N. Grandview Ave., Odessa; 432-210-4234.

■ Permian Basin Chess Club, 6 p.m., University of Texas of the Permian Basin student union; Steve Dudley, 556-1920; Brian Farrell, 288-7141; pbcc.50gigs.net; odessachess@cableone.net.

■ TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 6:30 p.m., Christian Church of Midland, 2609 Neely Ave.; weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m. 694-9643.

■ The Midland Blue Star Military Family, 7 p.m., Koinonia Room at First Presbyterian Church; Doc Weathers 631-7646 or docweathers@suddenlink.net.

Reporter–Telegram on radio

Editor Stewart Doreen discusses local news at 9:35 a.m. Thursdays on KWEL (AM 1070, FM 107.1).

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GOP Railroad Commission hopefuls trade ethics barbs

By Jim Malewitz
Texas Tribune

A former Texas Railroad Commission chairman is helping Ryan Sitton fight back against conflict-of-interest allegations in the Republican primary runoff for an open seat on the commission.

Meanwhile, Sitton is redirecting ethics questions at his opponent, former state Rep. Wayne Christian, who led Sitton by 12 percentage points in the party's initial vote last month.

On Monday, Elizabeth Ames Jones, a former Texas state representative who served on the Railroad Commission from 2005 to 2012, endorsed Sitton, an oil and gas engineer, calling his experience an asset. She said Christian's claims of a looming conflict of interest were "completely false."

"It is very exciting that someone like Ryan is willing to put his business interests aside and serve as our railroad commissioner," Jones said in a statement. "Unfortunately, his opponent has lifted a tactic from the same playbook used by Obama and the rest of the liberal elite – namely trying to make someone's technical expertise and business success sound like a liability."

If elected, Sitton does not plan to fully put his business interests aside. He says he will stay involved with the engineering company he and his wife founded, though he will focus first on public office and will relinquish many of his day-to-day duties. In his campaign materials, Sitton said his firm, PinnacleAIS, consults with some of the world's largest oil and gas companies. That includes those that have appeared before the Railroad Commission.

Christian, of Center, has criticized Sitton's post-election plan in recent weeks, saying it could force him to recuse himself from certain cases or make rulings or vote on decisions that affect PinnacleAIS's clients.

"Siding with the client benefits his business. Deciding against the client has the potential to harm his business and the jobs of all the people who work for PinnacleAIS," Christian's campaign said last week in a press release.

In her endorsement, Jones called Christian's accusations an "attempt to tarnish a successful entrepreneur who is a great Texas success story."

"Wayne is exposing his lack of understanding of what the Railroad Commission actually does," she said.

In an interview on Monday, Sitton declined to share a full list of PinnacleAIS's clients, but said his clients rarely appear before the commission. He did list a handful of long-running clients: Chevron-Phillips, Mosaic Company, Phillips 66 and Valero.

Between 2007 and 2012, Valero appeared four times on the agency's docket, with each vote concerning potential rules violations.

If elected, Sitton would disclose any potential conflicts of interest as they arise, he said. "I will adhere to the highest standards of disclosure of transparency."

Sitton said Christian is simply trying to distract from his own lack of experience in the oil and gas industry — and from long-running questions about his own ethics.

"He has a whole slew of conflicts in his background that nobody is talking about," Sitton said.

In 2009, for example, Christian unveiled draft regulations that would allow more public entities to invest in annuities. At that time, Christian was working for Woodbury Financial Services Inc., a subsidiary of Connecticut insurance company The Hartford at the time (Christian remains an agent for the company).

Christian acknowledged that the legislation could "certainly" benefit his company, but said his intent in backing the idea was "not for that purpose," according to 2009 Austin American-Statesman article. "It's to give smaller (governments) another tool for investing," he said.

In an email on Monday, Travis McCormick, Christian's campaign manager, noted that the bill was never filed and "was just something discussed in the State Affairs Committee during an interim hearing."

"Had the legislation been filed or even passed it wouldn't have had any effect on Wayne's business as he has only ever sold to individuals, not governmental entities," he said.

Also in 2009, some Texas officials — including Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson — accused Christian of shaping an amendment that would have loosened restrictions in the Open Beaches Act, allowing him to rebuild his Hurricane-ravaged vacation home on a public beach.

The narrowly tailored provision applied to beachfront properties on the Bolivar Peninsula, near Galveston — where Christian's home stood.

Christian did not pitch the amendment himself, but he signed on, telling the Houston Chronicle at the time that he "approved of the concept" because it would pump tax dollars into the state treasury.

McCormick downplayed that controversy, noting that lawmakers passed the bill in question nearly unanimously, and that Christian didn't write it.

"It's really something that people try to make a controversy when it's not," he said.

McCormick refuted Sitton's claim that Christian was trying to deflect attention from questions about his legislative ethics as by attacking his opponent.

"This is a completely different situation in a completely different race," he said.





LEFT: Sid Miller, running for Texas Agriculture commissioner, greets Jo Sneed on Wednesday before the Midland County Republican Women's luncheon. **ABOVE:** Spencer Robnett, running for City Council at-large, talks with Sharla Hotchkiss before the luncheon.

Photos by Tim Fischer Reporter-Telegram

MEETING

From 1A

views from their previous City Council campaigns in 2013 — a District 3 race for Robnett and the mayoral race for McLelland.

Both men share a common view when it comes to government transparency. Although Robnett did not bring up transparency during his speech, McLelland spoke mainly about that topic.

"I am for Midland growth; don't misunderstand that," said McLelland, speaking about downtown revitalization plans. "I just want the growth to be decided by us, and not others for us."

Instead of transparency, Robnett talked about water, mentioning that it is his first issue.

"We can take action now to evaluate and hold meetings for public comment on desalination facilities, the feasibility and potential of having those done," Robnett said.

When asked how they differ from each other, McLelland said he is an old man looking to help the city and is not interested in politics, whereas Robnett is a young man looking to get into politics. Robnett's spoke about their age difference as well, but he also said a younger, energetic candidate is better-suited. He added that he plans to remain in Midland.

The special election is set for May 10.

Agriculture commissioner candidate

Wearing a large, white cowboy hat, agriculture commissioner candidate Sid Miller made his case to be the winner of the May 27 Republican runoff against Tommy Merritt.

Water, he said, will be his No. 1 focus if elected.

"We can start with conservation," the fourth-generation Texas farmer and rancher said. "We have to look at things like rainwater harvesting."

For those unaware of the agriculture commissioner position, Miller said the position is about promoting Texas agriculture products and consumer protection. Ways that the state Department of Agriculture protects consumers include calibrating gasoline pumps, he said. The department also oversees $2 billion in food programs such as school lunch programs.

Miller's campaign materials have a familiar name printed on them. Texas rocker Ted Nugent, known for his controversial comments, is Miller's campaign treasurer.

Though Miller said Nugent has a "colorful vocabulary," he defended his treasurer, listing the philanthropic things Nugent has done, such as the Hunters for the Hungry program, which provides pork and venison to homeless shelters and food pantries.

"He gives back to America, he gives back to the country," Miller said. "He does way more good than when he stumbles every once in a while, with the use of his adjectives when he describes the president."

Top-paid Medicare doctors say they have reasons

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — How is it that a few doctors take in millions of dollars from Medicare?

Explanations for Wednesday's eye-popping numbers from Medicare's massive claims database ranged from straightforward to what the government considers suspicious, as the medical world confronted a new era of scrutiny.

The long-sought release of Medicare data revealed just how much the program paid individual doctors in 2012. An analysis by The Associated Press found that a tiny group, 344 out of more than 825,000 doctors, received $3 million or more apiece — a threshold that raises eyebrows for the government's own investigators. Overall, about 2 percent of clinicians accounted for one-fourth of payments.

Deputy administrator Jon Blum said Wednesday that Medicare will now take a closer look at doctors whose payments exceed certain levels. Blum told reporters he did not want to reveal those thresholds because that would tip off people trying to game the system.

"We know there is waste in the system, we know there is fraud in the system," he said. "We want the public to help identify spending that doesn't make sense."

Blum said an even bigger goal in making the data public is to help find more cost-effective, quality-conscious pathways for America's $2.8 trillion health care system. Medicare, a $600 billion program for seniors and disabled people, sets the tone.

In rural Hastings, Neb., ophthalmologist John Welch said the vast majority of the $9.5 million that Medicare paid him went straight from his practice to drug companies, for expensive medications used to treat patients with macular degeneration.

"I'm concerned that people in the community will get the wrong idea of how these billings reflect doctors' income," said Welch, who ranked No. 8 in Medicare payments. "Instead of blaming us, they need to have a serious discussion with the drug companies about lowering the cost of these drugs. If they want us to stop taking care of patients, then tell us that — but don't blame us for costs."

As for No. 4 on the payments list, the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota said a large number of tests are billed under the name of its Dr. Franklin Cockerill, chairman of laboratory medicine and pathology. According to the Medicare database, Cockerill was paid more than $11 million.

"Dr. Cockerill is a salaried employee of Mayo Clinic and is not making big money from Medicare," said spokesman Bryan Anderson. Medicare officials said multiple providers should not be using a doctor's identification number to bill.

The American Medical Association has expressed concern that laypersons may draw wrong conclusions from seeing large dollar signs next to a physician's name.

But another case, from Michigan, suggested that following the money can turn up potential problems. Detroit-area cancer doctor Farid Fata, among the top billers, is awaiting trial on federal charges that he intentionally misdiagnosed patients and ordered unnecessary treatments. Fata said he's innocent.

The overall top-paid doctor in 2012 was Florida ophthalmologist Salomon Melgen, who received $20.8 million.

Last year, Melgen was in the news after revelations that Sen. Robert Menendez, D-N.J., had used the doctor's personal jet for trips to the Dominican Republic. Menendez's relationship with Melgen prompted Senate Ethics Committee and Justice Department investigations. The senator reimbursed the doctor more than $70,000 for plane trips.

Early last year, the FBI conducted a search of Melgen's West Palm Beach offices. Agents carted away materials, but law enforcement officials have refused to say why. Authorities declined to comment on the open investigation.

Melgen's lawyer said the doctor's billing conformed with Medicare rules and is a reflection of high drug costs.

Overall, Medicare paid individual physicians nearly $64 billion in 2012.

AP picked the threshold of $3 million in payments for its analysis of individual doctors because that was the figure used by the Health and Human Services inspector general in an audit last year. The report recommended Medicare automatically scrutinize total billings above a set level.

Of the 344 top-paid doctors, 87 practice in Florida, a state known both for high Medicare spending and widespread fraud. Rounding out the top five states were California with 38 doctors in the top group, New Jersey with 27, Texas with 23, and New York with 18.

In the $3 million-plus club, 151 ophthalmologists — eye specialists — accounted for nearly $658 million in Medicare payments, leading other disciplines. Cancer doctors made up the next three specialty groups, accounting for a combined total of more than $477 million in payments.

The high number of ophthalmologists and cancer doctors in the top tier may reflect the expensive medications the doctors use to treat their patients.

The Medicare claims database is considered the richest trove of information on doctors, surpassing what major insurance companies have in their files.

Agents seize marijuana valued at more than $900K

From staff reports

DEL RIO — U.S. Border Patrol agents throughout the Del Rio Sector seized more than 1,132 pounds of narcotics in recent weeks:

■ Uvalde Station agents seized more than 130 pounds of narcotics March 24 when agents conducted a vehicle stop in an area known for human and illegal narcotics smuggling. After a short pursuit, agents arrested the driver, a U.S. citizen, and two undocumented Mexican nationals in the vehicle. The vehicle had three large bundles containing 131 pounds of marijuana worth an estimated $104,800.

■ Agents from the Carrizo Springs Station were conducting linewatch operations March 25 in an area known for human and illegal narcotics smuggling when they encountered nine people concealed in the brush. Agents arrested all of them and confiscated four military-style duffel bags containing more than 113 pounds of marijuana worth an estimated $90,400. The case was turned over to the Dimmit County Sheriff's Office.

■ Carrizo Springs Station agents conducting highway operations March 26 on Farm-to-Market Road 2644 initiated a vehicle stop after the driver turned around 200 yards before the immigration checkpoint. The SUV contained 14 bundles of marijuana weighing more than 244 pounds, worth an estimated $195,200. Two U.S. citizens were arrested.

■ Agents from the Eagle Pass Station were conducting linewatch operations March 31 in an area known for human and illegal narcotics smuggling when they observed several people carrying large feed sacks. When agents encountered them, they tried to flee. Agents arrested one person and confiscated 10 bundles containing more than 223 pounds of marijuana worth an estimated $178,400.

■ In several incidents between March 27 and April 4, agents patrolling the border seized more than 420 pounds of marijuana worth more than $336,000.

The suspects and marijuana were turned over to the Drug Enforcement Administration, unless otherwise noted.

So far during fiscal year 2014, which began Oct. 1, the Del Rio Border Patrol Sector has seized more than 11,200 pounds of marijuana valued at more than $8.9 million.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Lakia S. Braziel, 27, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Cleto B. Carrillo, 32, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.

Eddye Chavez, 22, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with possession of a controlled substance between 1 and 4 grams.

Christopher Gonzales, 30, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with obstruction or retaliation.

Kristopher D. Mendel, 35, of Big Spring, was charged Tuesday with theft between $1,500 and $20,000.

Ricardo V. Munoz, 32, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with violation of probation.

Kayleigh N. Paulk, 17, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with accident involving serious bodily injury or death.

Jonathan S. Perry, 29, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with aggravated assault with a weapon on a date, family or household member.

Latoya R. Posey, 35, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with failure to appear or bail jumping and possession of a prohibited substance in a corrections facility.

Destiny Rios, 34, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with theft.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Colorado tumbleweeds overrun drought areas

Associated Press

ORDWAY, Colo. — Mini-storms of tumbleweeds have invaded the drought-stricken prairie of southern Colorado, blocking rural roads and irrigation canals, and briefly barricading homes and an elementary school.

Firefighters even had to cut a path through them to get to a pregnant woman who feared she'd be trapped in her home if she went into labor.

The invasion of the tumbleweed, an iconic symbol of both the West's rugged terrain and the rugged cowboys who helped settle it, has conjured images of the Dust Bowl of 80 years ago, when severe drought unleashed them onto the landscape.

"It never ends," said Chris Talbott, as he used a snow shovel to push the weeds off his lawn into a stack on the street in Colorado Springs.

The latest drought, which began in 2010, has created tumbleweed trouble in parts of New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. Desiccated Russian thistle, a woody leafy plant, and kochia, both invasive weeds from Eurasia, are the culprits.

In Colorado, herds of cattle would eat the tumbleweed, helping to keep it in check, but many ranchers in recent years have reduced or gotten rid of their animals because of the drought. After the first winter freezes in November, the plants broke loose and began rolling with the wind.

"They looked like sheep running across the prairie because the whole prairie was alive," Ordway rancher Doug Tecklenburg said of a March 15 wind storm.

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Don't believe President Obama on immigration

■ Through the looking glass it is easy to see an administration trying to spin its way into a credible record



RUBEN NAVARRETTE

Washington Post Writers Group

With many issues, the more you study them, the more likely you are to understand them. But with the immigration debate, the closer you follow it, the more likely you are to go stark raving mad.

This probably suits the Obama administration just fine. At this point, it's obvious that the main objective at the White House isn't to solve the immigration problem. Instead, the primary mission of top administration officials such as Valerie Jarrett, senior White House adviser, and Cecilia Munoz, director of the White House Domestic Policy Council, is to protect the president's legacy by deflecting criticism, muddying the waters and confusing detractors.

It makes sense. Once you deport 2 million people in five years, and heartlessly divide hundreds of thousands of families, the only thing left to do is to cover your tracks before someone builds a "deportation wing" in your presidential library.

But rather than let the administration and its supporters rewrite history, let's be clear about a few things.

First, President Obama obviously never meant what he said when he declared his support for giving the undocumented a path to citizenship. If he had, Obama would not have named Rahm Emanuel, who helped stall immigration reform while serving in Congress, as his first chief of staff and put Janet Napolitano, a former Arizona governor who once declared a "state of emergency" on the border, in charge of the Homeland Security Department.

Next, it certainly isn't true — in a hackneyed line that you hear from Obama apologists — that the president deported all those people just to please Republicans. As you watch Obama deal with other issues such as revamping health care and raising the minimum wage, does he strike you as someone with a burning desire to please the opposition?

Finally, Obama was always out to placate only one group: the blue-collar restrictionist wing of the Democratic Party, which believes that illegal immigrants are bad for U.S. workers. Mission accomplished.

The administration's latest smokescreen is especially cynical because White House spinners borrowed it from the GOP.

For the last couple of years, Republicans such as Sen. Jeff Sessions of Alabama and Rep. Lamar Smith of Texas have insisted that the Obama administration is inflating deportation figures by basing them largely on those individuals who were apprehended near the border as opposed to those who live in the interior.

Republicans push this line because they can't figure out why, even with all the recent deportations, there are still so many illegal immigrants in this country.

Really? It's not brain surgery. As long as American employers keep hiring these folks, America will always have an ample supply of illegal immigrants.

Now Obama apologists are advancing the same line to the media in a feeble attempt to make the administration seem more compassionate. It is assumed that illegal immigrants living in "the interior" would be more deeply rooted in society and so their removal would be much more disruptive and painful. Latinos will forgive a great deal of neglect and mistreatment by a Democratic president, but they draw the line at separating families. So Obama administration officials have been quoted as saying that the majority of those deported are those with criminal records or young men who have not put down roots in this country — loners without families who are picked up within hours of crossing the border.

There is only one problem with this narrative, no matter where it is coming from: It doesn't make sense in the real world. "Near the border" is defined as within 100 miles of the international boundary. It turns out that this is not so near.

I happen to live within that range. A few years ago, a woman who cleans homes in my neighborhood was apprehended after the driver of the car in which she was riding was pulled over by a police officer for rolling past a stop sign. The officer called the Border Patrol to the scene, and the housekeeper was arrested, processed and bused to Mexico. Her three children remained in this country with their father. All this happened within 100 miles of the border. Agents of the U.S. government took custody of that woman and physically relocated her to a foreign country. So much for the lone-male argument the administration is pushing.

If that's not a deportation, then the world has gone crazy — which, in the immigration debate, is par for the course.

OUR VIEW

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When it comes to bond debt, we believe that most people are appalled by other communities' indebtedness but don't seem to care about how much their own community has to pay.

It is the same with how we view lawmakers in Washington. Americans dislike Congress as a whole, but in many cases, they don't have a problem with their own representative or senator.

The bond debt issue is one we have put out there for our readers, usually to the sound of crickets. In February, we reported the total debt payments (principal and interest) of Midland's five taxing entities (the city, county, college, hospital district and school district) were close to $880 million.

That figure did not count the $452 million in total bond payments for the Midland County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1. Those bonds are related to the construction of the T-Bar Ranch pipeline from Winkler County to Midland. The district must sell water to pay for that debt, so that burden likely will fall on city of Midland customers.

Comptroller Susan Combs, who we would have liked to see run for lieutenant governor, was in Midland on Wednesday, talking about numerous issues, including bond debt. She believes people aren't paying enough attention to how much bond debt their communities are carrying. She wants all Texans to "be informed," "get involved" and "stay engaged" on debt and issues.

She is promoting the Comptrollers' Office websites texastransparency.org and tellthetruthtexas.org so Texans can see debt statistics for all Texas cities, school districts and community college districts. Texans can also find out information on tax rates, certificates of obligations and local bond elections in communities statewide.

On the comptroller's site, it has been reported that local governments issue four-fifths (80 percent) of Texas' public debt. That combined 2013 fiscal year total, $200.2 billion, represents an 82 percent increase over fiscal year 2004. The site also notes that school district debt has increased by 94 percent over the same period.

Earlier this year we wrote "there are important decisions that Midlanders will make in the next few years. Some of those decisions will have an impact on the amount of debt this community is ready to carry. So we think it is important to communicate to residents all the facts about this community's debt."

And as we wrote at that time, Midlanders clearly don't think there is a problem with the current debt level. As items like a new school bond and more water district debt come before our leaders, will there be a change of heart? How much is too much? That's for Midlanders to decide.

Combs still is right to make sure Texans have sufficient information in order to make informed decisions.

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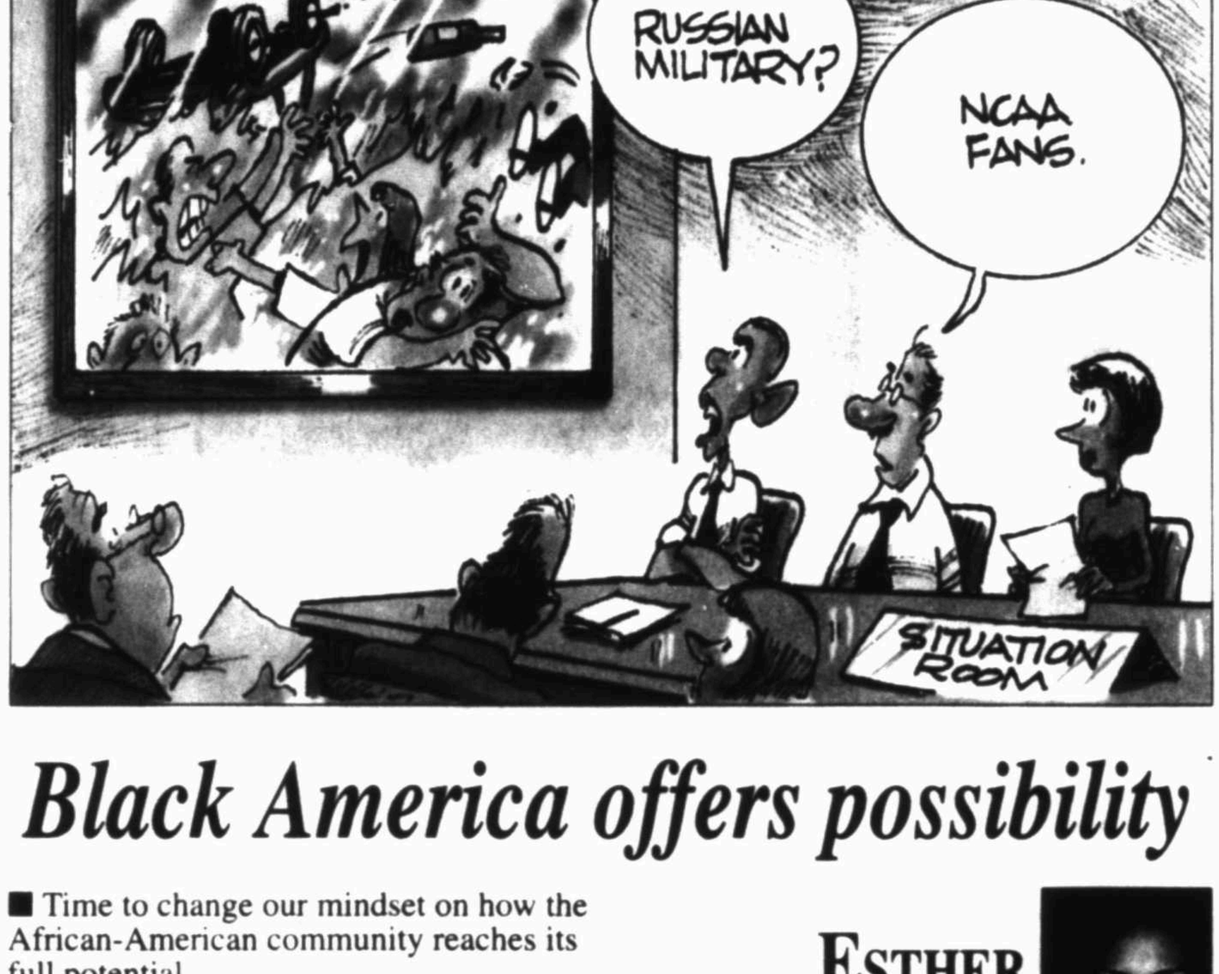
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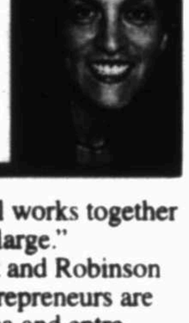
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Black America offers possibility

■ Time to change our mindset on how the African-American community reaches its full potential



ESTHER CEPEDA

Washington Post Writers Group

The National Urban League's 2014 report on the state of black America released a torrent of negative assessments. "Dismal and getting worse," read one headline. "Blacks behind whites, Latinos in job market, report says," read another.

While superficial, these summaries do contain one truth: On measures of economics, health, education, social justice and civic engagements, African-Americans have realized less of the American Dream than have their white and Hispanic peers.

Indeed, the Urban League report notes, 56.5 percent of African-American households are less than middle income compared to 50.8 percent of Hispanic and 35.5 percent of white households.

But that's far from the end of the story. Dig deeper and you'll find that the African-American community possesses untapped potential that represents authentic opportunities.

As a bright counterpoint to the gloomy news about blacks' current well-being, half of the 12 essays included in the Urban League's annual appraisal were about the topic of entrepreneurism.

Randal D. Pinkett and Jeffrey A. Robinson, both entrepreneurs as well as scholars, call entrepreneurism no less than "the most important vehicle of economic development in the black community."

Donna Jones Baker is the president/CEO of the Urban League of Greater Cincinnati, which runs a variety of business development programs. She writes, "Being economically self-sufficient through owning your own business is not a new concept in the African-American community. We have traditionally owned the neighborhood grocery, the barber shop, the beauty parlor and the funeral home — all providing needed services and specializing in serving the African-American community. We recognize such businesses as the backbone of America in general."

But African-American business ownership is not — and should not be perceived as being — limited to mom-and-pop shops.

"We see a wide diversity of interest in building different types of business from home health care, to mail and fulfillment enterprises, and telecommunications firms," Baker told me. "And the rewards of that diversity aren't just for the individuals creating their business, but for the community at large where those businesses then develop workforce needs and then begin to hire — it all works together for the benefit of the community at large."

It's not all rosy, of course. Pinkett and Robinson note that while they believe that entrepreneurs are the major wealth creators in America and entrepreneurism can transform the black community, "unfortunately, less than 5 percent of the black population is self-employed or engaged in founding and running registered businesses. Furthermore, the entrepreneurs who are making money in black communities are not black. Often, the wealth that is created through entrepreneurship doesn't stay in the black community and, therefore, our communities do not reap the benefits of the kind of entrepreneurship that also invests in the local community."

The answer these experts suggest to encourage new African-American businesspeople is business-focused education and workforce training, heavy investments in entrepreneurship programs and small business incubation programs, and better access to capital for up-and-coming minority entrepreneurs.

But it seems that what's necessary above all is the fundamental reframing of the perception of African-Americans so that they are considered an underutilized pool of potential job creators just waiting to be tapped.

"In a study conducted by the Kauffman Foundation," Pinkett and Robinson write, "it was noted that black Americans, and in particular black males, were the most likely to say they wanted to open their own business. Unfortunately, the statistics also tell us that blacks are the least likely to actually open a business."

That has to be in no small part because the most common narratives about African-Americans have to do with incarceration, unemployment and underachievement.

It's time to flip the script. We need to stop seeing the African-American community strictly as one in need of recuperative social services and begin to understand that it could reach its full potential if we invested in its inherent ability to be enterprising.

From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



Obama offers solace to nation at Fort Hood

Associated Press

FORT HOOD — President Barack Obama returned to the grieving Army post Wednesday where he first took on the job as the nation's comforter five years ago, mourning with families and uniformed comrades of those killed during last week's Fort Hood shooting spree. "We somehow bear what seems unbearable," he declared.

It was yet another sad observance for a president who has had to deliver words of consolation across the country many times. At Fort Hood, the ceremony was made more poignant as a remembrance for soldiers who didn't die in wars abroad but in the safety of their own compound.

"They were members of a generation that has borne the burden of our security for more than a decade of war," Obama said on a breezy, sun washed day in central Texas.

Three soldiers died and 16 others were wounded in the rampage last Wednesday by another soldier, who killed himself.

Obama and first lady Michelle Obama arrived late Wednesday morning at Fort Hood, where the camouflage fatigues of troops standing to salute his passing motorcade almost blended in with a patch of desert-like terrain. Flags were lowered to half-staff at the sprawling Army post, where Obama met with victims' relatives before offering his public condolences.

The memorial took place at the same spot where Obama eulogized victims of another mass shooting in 2009.

Three battle crosses, helmet-topped rifles above combat boots, stood in front of the speakers' platform, representing the three soldiers shot and killed — Sgt. Carlos Lazaney-Rodriguez, Sgt. Timothy Owens and Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Ferguson.

Officials said they died following a shooting rampage by Army Spc. Ivan Lopez, who took his own life. Four of those shot remain in hospitals, officials said.

Obama praised Ferguson for keeping the gunman from pushing into a room where others could have been killed. "Danny held the door shut, saving the lives of others while sacrificing his own," he said. Owens was known for counseling fellow soldiers, the president said, and "gave his life walking toward the gunman, trying to calm him down."

Obama was the only speaker to mention that four soldiers were lost, including Lopez. As the president finished an address in which he repeated the phrase "love never ends," one soldier in the audience brushed away tears. The president exited the stage with his head down.

Fort Hood is a major post from which troops have been deployed to Iraq and Afghanistan. As Obama has wound down the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, bringing troops back from the warzone, it seemed all the more jarring to have their sense of safety upended at their home base.

"It hurts. It hurts in the middle of the night. It hurts in the middle of the day. It hurts in the middle of your stomach. It hurts to lose someone you love," Chaplain Col. Goff said, following the president's address. "The reason it hurts so much is because we love so much."

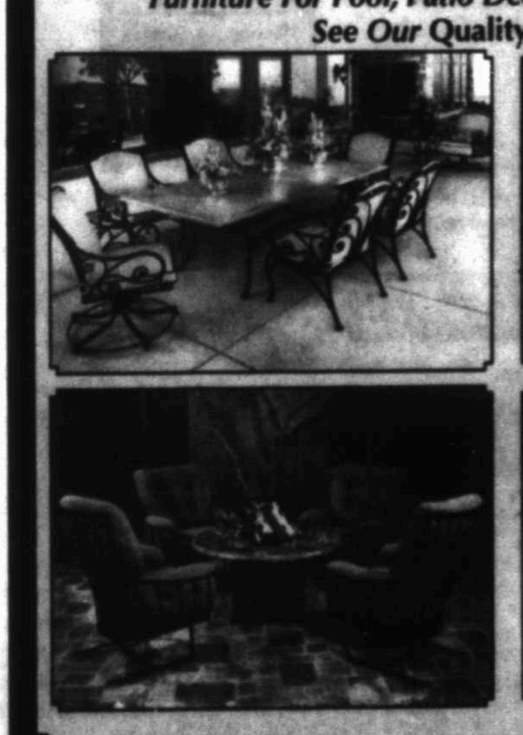
Toward the end of the ceremony, soldiers stood for a roll call. The fallen soldiers' names were bellowed out by a sergeant three times. After no answer, in accordance with military tradition, their names were stricken from the roll. A line of seven soldiers pointed their rifles to the sky and shot three times. A solemn trumpeter played taps.

Time and again, Obama has been called on find ways to give meaning to senseless death. Tucson, Ariz. Aurora, Colo., Newtown, Conn., Boston, the Washington Navy Yard — communities now synonymous with tragedy. And now Fort Hood — for a second improbable time.

Adding complexity to the president's response were questions about whether Lopez's wartime service precipitated his actions. Although Lopez did a short stint in Iraq in 2011 and said he suffered a traumatic brain injury, Fort Hood officials have said his mental condition was not a "direct participating factor" in the shooting. Still, the 34-year-old was undergoing treatment for depression and anxiety while being evaluated for post-traumatic stress disorder, base officials said.

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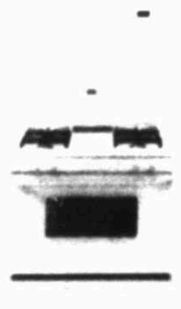


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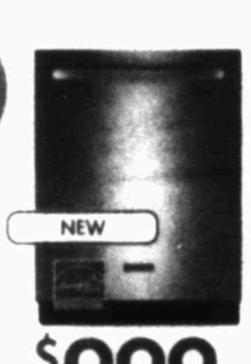
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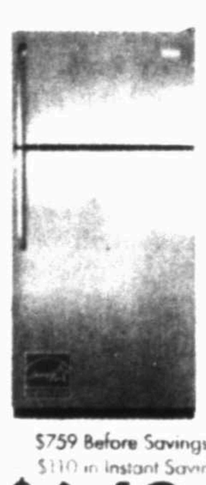
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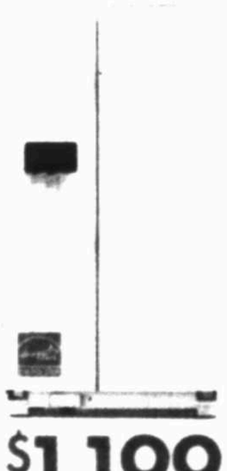
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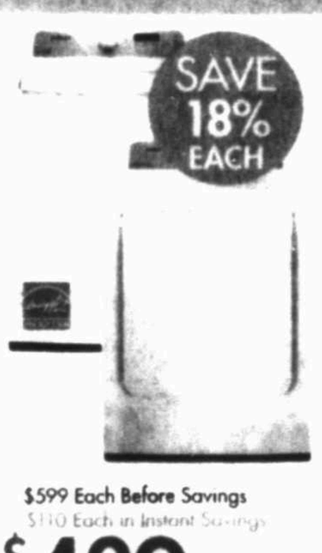
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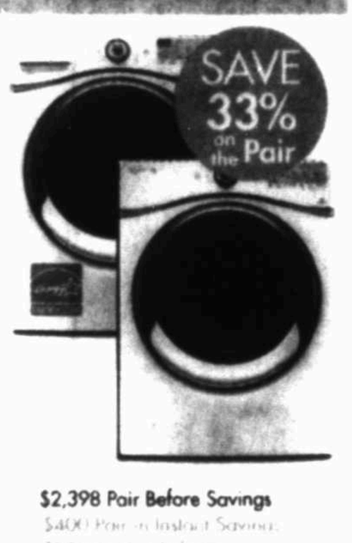
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SATURDAY



SMELL THE ROSES
Ellen Noel Art Museum hosts its annual Flower Market fundraiser.

SUNDAY



CARING BUNNY
Midland Park Mall sets aside time for children with special needs to visit the Easter Bunny.

See complete schedule of weekend events on Page 2.

INSIDE



MORE MUSIC
Soft White Sixties return to Basin Burger House this weekend and Restless Heart will be at CAF. **Page 6**

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Closing: "Cesar Chavez," "300: Rise of an Empire," "Non-Stop," "The Lego Movie"

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BIG SKY DRIVE-IN
Opening: "Rio 2"
Closing: "Non-Stop"

STAYING IN?
Find out which movies are worth watching from the comfort of your couch. **Page 3**

ARTISTIC POLYMATH



From music to film, Okkervil frontman maintains a life of balance

By Rich Lopez
jrlopez@mrt.com

When this interview with Okkervil River Will Sheff was set, the band would be in Mountain Time. But actual mountains and poor cellphone service kept the conversation to a minimum. As the band continues to tour for its 2013 album "The Silver Gymnasium" and makes its way to Midland on Friday, Sheff had a bit of interference. Thanks, nature.

"If I disappear, then you know we're back in the mountains," he warned.

The band finishes its proper tour at the Yucca Theatre. Save for a Bonnaroo appearance this summer, they are done after Friday. If Sheff had it his way, he'd jump right back in.

"This has been so fun doing this tour that I'd kinda want to go out again. But we have nothing on the books," he said. "I have lots of other projects going: the film, some musical stuff and more writing."

A proper renaissance man, Sheff dabbles far beyond music. He wrote and directed the fantasy film "Down Down the Deep River," which is now in post-production. He's published fiction and art criticism. And he's taking on a personal literary project.

"I'm trying to write a biography of my grandfather, and I'm editing his memoirs. It's

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Cowboy Troy talks hick-hop, friendship with Big & Rich

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Fusing hip-hop and country into his own brand, Cowboy Troy's new release "King of Clubs" marks his first release in four years. The album is sparse with a total of eight tracks, but it's packed with a party atmosphere that could rival LMFAO's "Sorry for Party Rocking."

The Texas-native comes to Midland for this weekend's fundraiser Big Boys' Toys 2014 benefiting MARC on Saturday at the Horseshoe Arena. The event features a display of collector automobiles, auctions, steak dinner by the Barn Door and an open bar. But the main attraction will be country superstars Big & Rich's headlining concert with Cowboy Troy as their special guest.

MRT: Congrats on the new album. How would you describe it?

Cowboy Troy: "King of Clubs" is not your typical album. With "King of Clubs," we created a sound that combines the boom and pop of current rap music along with traditional country music instruments like fiddle, banjo, guitars and dobro. So what it does is it provides that particular music for the DJ to provide to the crowd, but from a country music fan's perspective.

MRT: Is it a party album?

Cowboy Troy: It addresses a specific need for country dance club DJs. In most country dance clubs, the DJ or band will play Top 40 country hits for the first 45 minutes of the hour. That last 15 minutes of the hour, the DJ will play electronic dance music (EDM), rap or rock music.

MRT: Your first single from the album is "Drink Drank Drunk." What do you prefer to get DDD on?

Cowboy Troy: Sip on Herradura tequila, Belvedere vodka, Bud heavy or Lone Star beer.

MRT: In a day where an album now features up to 20 songs, you scaled way back with eight songs. How did you come to that decision?

Cowboy Troy: In most cases when you buy an album with 12-plus songs on it, you most often find that you

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Strong cast upholds 'Pippi' through mixed messages

By Rich Lopez
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A children's book hero gets the stage treatment at Pickwick Players' latest production "Pippi Longstocking." The famously pig-tailed heroine and her two besties embark on a "magniventure" that takes them to the open sea. Adapted and directed by Bill Williams, the show is a practice in make-believe — or it intends to be.

The story opens with a Greek chorus extoling the virtues of childhood with "let's pretend" as almost the mantra of the play. We soon meet Pippi Longstocking (Carly Baker) and her best friends Tommy (Chris Cheek) and Annika (Macy Fulton). Pippi is the clear oddball of her Anytown, and as she unnerves the circus ringleader and strongman, she meets another new friend, the talking monkey Mr. Nilsson (Wake Brown). Upon receiving a mysterious note and map, she and her friends head to the seas to rescue him. Pippi's mother in heaven regularly converses with her daughter and guides their way through rough waters. They meet a sea monster with a language barrier and ultimately a pack of diabolical pirates led by Captain Stinky LaFeet (Hattie Miller).

Baker captures the proper spunkiness that is the essence of Longstocking. She makes Longstocking have a lanky awkwardness in her body movement and posture, but restrains enough to not be a cartoon. We're not privy to any depth of character until the very end of the show, which is jarring. The reason for her upbeat attitude is to ignore certain realities that are obvious. But Baker handles both sides of the character with comedic and dramatic panache. Cheek and Fulton

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CALENDAR & MORE



HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

MUSIC

Nashwood and Church Chitwood, today at Cafe at the Gardens. alldredgegardens.com

Nick Verzosa and the Noble Union CD release party, 10 p.m. today at Lone Star Bar. 218-6935.

Sam Riggs, today at Rockin' Rodeo. rockinrodeomidland.com.

Gladys Knight, Friday at Midland College. midlandcollegefoundation.org/knight.

Okkervil River, Friday at Yucca Theatre. talltownes.com.

MOSC Celebrating Youth, 7 p.m. Saturday at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Soft White Sixties and Leopold and his Fiction, Saturday at Basin Burger House. basinburger.com.

Big Boys' Toys featuring Big and Rich and Cowboy Troy, Saturday. Benefiting MARC. 498-8590.

Restless Heart, Saturday at CAF Hangar.

Selena Tribute, 2-5 p.m. Saturday at Music City Mall in Odessa. music-city-mall.com.

Fantasies and Illusions: An interdisciplinary Piano Concert with Eugenio Zapata on piano and Yelena Konetchy dancing, 3 p.m. Sunday at Allison Fine Arts Building, Midland College. midland.edu.

UTPB's University Strings "Up Close," 4 p.m. Sunday at the Rea Greathouse Recital Hall, Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

GAMES & SPORTS

Drillers game and Military Appreciation Night, 7 p.m. Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium. wtdrillers.net.

Play bridge at Allison Bridge Center, 682-8595.

Hold 'Em poker tournaments, 7 p.m. Friday at Woofers and Tweeters and The Detour.

Senior bingo, 10 a.m. Fridays at Cimarron House.

DANCE

Thursday Night Dance Club of Odessa with music by Showdown, 7:30-10 p.m. today at 301 E. 61st St. in Odessa. 697-0281.

Ector County Thursday Night Dance, 6:30-10 p.m. today at North Side Senior Center in Odessa. 337-5281.

Permian Basin Dance Club, 7:20-10 p.m. Tuesday at St. Stephen's Catholic Church ballroom. 520-4343.

THEATER & FILMS

"Improv at the Yucca's Thirsty Thursday," 7 p.m. today at Yucca Theatre. mctmidland.org.

"Pippi Longstocking," Friday and Saturday at Midland Community Theatre. mctmidland.org.

"Romeo & Juliet," Friday and Saturday at The Globe Theatre in Odessa. globesw.org.

Summer Mummers Kickoff Party, 3 p.m. Sunday at Yucca Theatre. summermummers.com.

EVENTS

Casa de Amigos Easter Hat Parade - Senior Center, 10 a.m. today at Casa de Amigos front parking lot. 682-9701.

Rebecca D. Henderson reading from "A Stake in West Texas: Pulling a Chain and Raising a Family Across Big Oil Country," 5 p.m. today at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Midland Downtown Farmers Market, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday at 501 W. Texas Ave. midlanddowntownfarmersmarket.com.

Flower Market, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at Ellen Noel Art Museum, Odessa. noelartmuseum.org.

Mustangs Across America 50th Anniversary Tour, 6-8 p.m. Saturday at Permian Basin Petroleum Musem. petroleummuseum.org.

Old Sorehead Trade Days, Saturday and Sunday in Stanton. stantontex.com.

Awake 7:14 prayer conference, 7 p.m. Sunday through Wednesday at Midland Center. awake714.com.

KID-FRIENDLY

Midland Northside Lions Club 21st annual Bunny Breakfast, 7-10 a.m. Saturday at Midland Park Mall. simon.com.

"Arthur's World Tour" exhibit meet and greet to welcome Arthur to Midland, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

"Spring Into Reading with Reach Out and Read" with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Medicine at the Permian Basin Department of Pediatrics, 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday at Carousel Stage at Music City Mall. reachoutandread.org.

Caring Easter Bunny experience for children with special needs, 6-7:30 p.m. Sunday at Midland Park Mall. simon.com/kidgits.

Photos with the Easter Bunny, through April 19 at Midland Park Mall. simon.com/kidgits.

"Arthur's World" children's exhibit, through June 28 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Midland County Public Library downtown location. www.co.midland.tx.us.

Storytime for children age 3 to 5, 10:30 a.m. Friday at Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center. 685-7376.

Storytime, 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Barnes & Noble Booksellers. 682-8880.

Storytime for birth through 2 years old, 9:30 a.m., 2 to 6 years old at 10:30 a.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us.

Dome shows, throughout the week at Marian Blakemore Planetarium. www.museumsw.org 683-2882.

Permanent exhibits at Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum, at the Museum of the Southwest complex. 683-2882.

LIVE WIRE

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10 Sam Riggs & The Night People @ Rockin Rodeo

10 Pullman Standard, Handsome as Sin @ Pine Box (Keggler's Lounge)

10 Nashwood and Church Chitwood @ Cafe at the Gardens

11 Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co. @ Midland Senior Center

11 WB Quartet, William Branson @ Music City Mall

11 Chris Brazeal Band, Troy Cartwright @ Lone Star Bar

11 Emily Herring and the Farm to Market Band @ Blue Max

11 Okkervil River, Hundred Visions @ Yucca Theatre

11 No Cry County @ Detour

11 Gladys Knight @ Midland Collge

11-12 Chrome Molly @ Your Place

11-12 Mister Happy @ The Bar

12 The Soft White Sixties, Leopold and His Fiction @ Basin Burger House

12 Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale presents Celebrating Youth (Masterworks IV) @ Wagner Noel

12 La Numero Uno Banda Jerez De Marco Flores Y Los Humildes Hermanos Ayala @ Far West Event Center

12 Big & Rich, Cowboy Troy @ Horseshoe

12 The Platters @ Ector Theatre

12 Selena tribute, Ty Miller, Martha Elliott, Brant Fricke @ Music City Mall

12 Luke Wade & No Civilians @ Lone Star Bar

12 Kyle Stallings Band @ Redneck's

12 Restless Heart @ CAF Hangar

13 Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co., All Stars, Tucker Binkley @ Music City Mall

15 Showdown @ Permian Basin Dance Club

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11 Creedence Clearwater Revisited @ Inn of the Mountain Gods

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STAGE & SCREEN

Like zombie flicks? 'The Returned' has a twist or two

Reeled & Stream

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PICK O' THE WEEK

"The Returned" (not rated) OK, so it's a slow week and in almost any other week, this wouldn't have even been on the radar. But it's still a solid zombie movie with a twist or two and worth the watch for genre fans. **B**

PIG O' THE WEEK

"At Middleton" (R) At times, the film gets it right. But for the most part, the story is either unbearably derivative or unrealistically over the top. And there's something creepy about Vera Farmiga playing mom to real-life sister Taissa Farmiga. **D**

MORE REVIEWS

"Achmed Saves America" (not rated) Adult animated feature starring Jeff Dunham's "dead terrorist" Achmed kinda gives away the plot in the title and DVD cover. Regardless, the "I kill yous" run a little long, but there's lots of cute to go around. **B-**

"The Bag Man" (R) As silly as the story is, it doesn't hold a candle to the hairstyle and glasses Robert De Niro sports in this embarrassing effort. **C-**

"Chinese Zodiac" (PG-13) In the realm of Jackie Chan movies, this one falls somewhere in the middle. While it doesn't soar with some of his career best, it's a welcome improvement over some of the junk — "The Spy Next Door" comes to mind — that he's foisted on fans in the past few years. **B**

"47 Ronin" (PG-13) Despite all the things wrong with this film — and there are plenty, from its $175 million budget to the filming locations NOT in Japan — the supernatural elements and basis on actual events do give it some credibility. **B-**

"Girl on a Bicycle" (R) A multinational cast is the film's biggest selling point, but the gimmick burns out fast, and there's not enough substance to support the story. **C+**

"1" (not rated) Superb documentary about Formula 1 racing focuses on the men who died to make it a safer sport. A great companion piece to "Rush," if you haven't seen it yet. **B**

"The Pirate Fairy" (G) Disney's straight to DVD series starring Tinker Bell has been solid and beyond cute for years. This latest installment keeps up the good work. **B**

"Playdate" (not rated) Despite a couple of nifty unexpected plot turns and a nice performance from journeyman actor Richard Ruccolo, the lack of originality and suspense doom this venture. **C**

"Twisted Tales" (not rated) The nine episodes from filmmaker Tom Holland's series run the gamut from mediocre to slightly interesting, with the best of the batch, "Shockwave" showing why these types of shows can never meet the bar set decades ago with "The Twilight Zone" **C+**



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

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serve well as each allow their characters to believe in Longstocking but knowing better than to go too deep in.

Brown packs a delightful punch as Mr. Nilsson. He's limber enough to deliver good monkey business and gives the character a foppish flair but never looks foolish. Other than a set of ears and tail, the play was smart not to overdo a simian character.

If there was ever a scene stealer, it comes in the form of Miller. Her commitment to the bumbling French pirate is nothing short of astonishing. She chews the scenery with a delicious over-the-top accent while working her not-so-tall stature into a hilarious Napoleonic complex. She nails a much needed injection of spirit into the second half as the first began to lag a bit long.

WANT TO GO?

"Pippi Longstocking" runs through Saturday at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. $18-$24. mctmidland.org.

The play however does have its mixed messages that belie its intention. It emphasizes make-believe, yet the Greek chorus and characters constantly interact with the audience. Lines uttered by characters refer to the script or remark on the actual crew working the lights. A moment when the cast brings an audience onstage was one more nail into any suspended disbelief. The cast's strength carries the play well and the scenery is effectively minimal, but if we're to believe in the message of make-believe, then perhaps its best to keep it on the stage.

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MUSIC

Musicians in Hundred Visions look forward to homecoming

By Rich Lopez
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While Okkervil River may be the headliner at Friday's show at the Yucca Theatre, opener Hundred Visions represents hometown pride. Although based in Austin, the band has big-time West Texas ties. With a bit of pride, we took some time with former MRT sports department assistant Johnny Krueger, who just so happens to play lead guitar for Hundred Visions.

MRT: Opening for Okkervil River is a pretty high profile gig. How are you guys handling it?

Krueger: They're very hard working and focused. They're fellow musicians and friends. We both play the best show possible every night. We've had a great time with them on this tour.

MRT: Welcome back to Midland! Are you from here originally?

Krueger: I was born and raised in Midland and graduated from Midland High. Ben Maddox (guitar, vocals) did too. Wes Turner (bass) has family in Odessa. Eric Loftis (drums) lived in Midland from fifth through ninth grade. We all met in junior high when Wes was visiting a mutual friend in Midland. I always look forward to seeing friends and family there.

MRT: You're being interviewed by the place you used to work for. Describe your job and time at MRT.

Krueger: I worked in the sports department with Len Hayward and Oscar LeRoy. I was in charge of the Sports scoreboard page, from layout, to editing and design. Len was cool with me bringing my guitar to the MRT since I was working in the evenings.

MRT: How did you go from the newspaper in Midland to music in Austin?

Krueger: I had been playing with Downtown Randy Brown and Dr. James Adcox for about 10 years as Out of Control and later as Johnny K and The Real Deal after adding Paul Culver on keys. I had my first live show as a working musician at Riley's Bar and Grill the same night of my junior year prom. I was wide-eyed about my first pro gig after seeing my first official bar fight that night, but I knew I was where I was supposed to be.

I became a self-employed musician at 19, teaching during the week and playing with Randy and James every weekend. I taught guitar during the day at Caldwell Music and worked at the MRT on weeknights to support myself. I moved to Los Angeles and attended Musician's Institute in Hollywood. And on breaks from school I'd go to Austin and visit Ben, Eric and Wes and sit in with their band Corto Maltese.

After graduating in 2009, I just felt Austin was for me. I moved and joined Ben, Eric and Wes in Hundred Visions.

MRT: What do you want everyone to know about Hundred Visions? Also, how do you describe your music genre?

Krueger: It's like a Dr Pepper from T&T donuts.

Ben Maddox: We play every inning like it's the fourth quarter.

Wes Turner: We play for keeps. It's music for lovers.

Eric Loftis: Rock 'n' roll with a little bit of post-punk.

MRT: Wow. Everyone chimed in. Hundred Visions is pretty indie. Where can people get your music?

Krueger: We've got our merch for sale at our shows as well as hundredvisions.bandcamp.com and hundredvisionsband.blogspot.com.

MRT: Being from Midland, how do you observe the live music scene here in West Texas?

Krueger: Ben and I played DIY punk shows at The Ground Floor, The Underground and Earl's 2 in Odessa. I don't know what it's like now, but a professional all-ages venue in West Texas for independent rock music is something that I'd love to see. It would add a much needed stop for bands on tour going through the Southwest, while helping build a rock scene.

MRT: Final words before the big gig at the Yucca Friday night?

Krueger: I'd like to say thank you to my entire Krueger family, the George Hover family, the Scott Lovett family, Randy Brown, Joe Shepherd, Daran Day and the late David Watkins.

WANT TO GO?

Okkervil River with Hundred Visions at the Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado St., 8 p.m. Friday. $15-$35 advance, $25 door. talltownes.com.

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quite a bit of work but, I'm doing this as a labor of love," he said.

The balance is a difficult one. Although he clearly enjoys his time on the road, deadlines loom and prioritizing is always a concern. And touring takes him away from that.

"It's funny because instead of making work that people say they like, we have to go out and promote it by touring. It can be frustrating, but it tends to work out OK. I always have to understand what my most looming priority is," he said.

Sometimes that priority is as simple as a TV show.

When the band was in Omaha, they tweeted their willingness to cook and make cocktails for anyone willing to let them come over to watch "Game of Thrones."

"We have a lot of GOT fans in this band, like addicts, and they were looking forward to it. It's like this communal thing. We watched it back at hotel, but I fell asleep, so I still haven't gotten to watch the first episode," he said.

If any good came from it, two GOT cocktails were originated on the road.

"I challenged our drummer to make a drink and it would either be Mother of Dragon, which would be made with Scotch with smoky and spicy flavors, or the White Walker. And the White Walker is the most delicious cocktail that he made. I'm about to post the Internet tutorial soon," Sheff said.

Thankfully, he shared the recipe before the phone disconnected.

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may only like two or three songs on the album. You end up paying $15 for an album where you only like two or three songs. Not cool. So, as an artist, why not put together an album that utilizes the "all killer, no filler" concept? We gave the fans eight songs they can crank from start to finish. Nothing slow. All up tempo and fun. My job is to be the party inflator!

MRT: Big & Rich appear on the album, and now you and they are performing together — especially at fundraising events like Big Boys' Toys for MARC. How is it being back with your MuzikMafia brothers?

Cowboy Troy: It's always great to perform and tour with my bros Big & Rich. We've been friends for years, and that stretches way back before we started touring together 10 years ago. I've known John Rich for 21 years, and Big Kenny for 15 years.

MRT: Your last release was in 2010. You were averaging about two years between albums. What brought on the extended time this go-around?

Cowboy Troy: That came about due to being in between record deals. That time allowed for examining what was working musically and what needed to be revamped. After a reconnoiter and evaluation process we found some things that worked better than others, and now you have "King of Clubs," which was released on Warner Music Nashville.

MRT: How is your live show now compared to when you first burst on the scene?

Cowboy Troy: Oh I'm still at a high level of energy and intensity.

WANT TO GO?

Big Boys' Toys featuring Big & Rich and Cowboy Troy at Horseshoe Arena, 2514 Arena Trail. Saturday from 6-11 p.m. Show at 9:30 p.m. Tickets are $45 in advance, $55 at the door. Visit marcinc-tx.org for more info.

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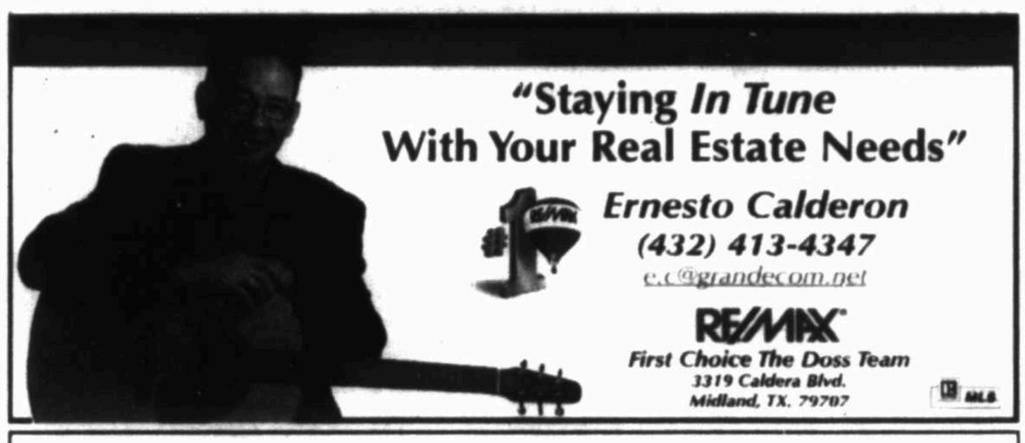
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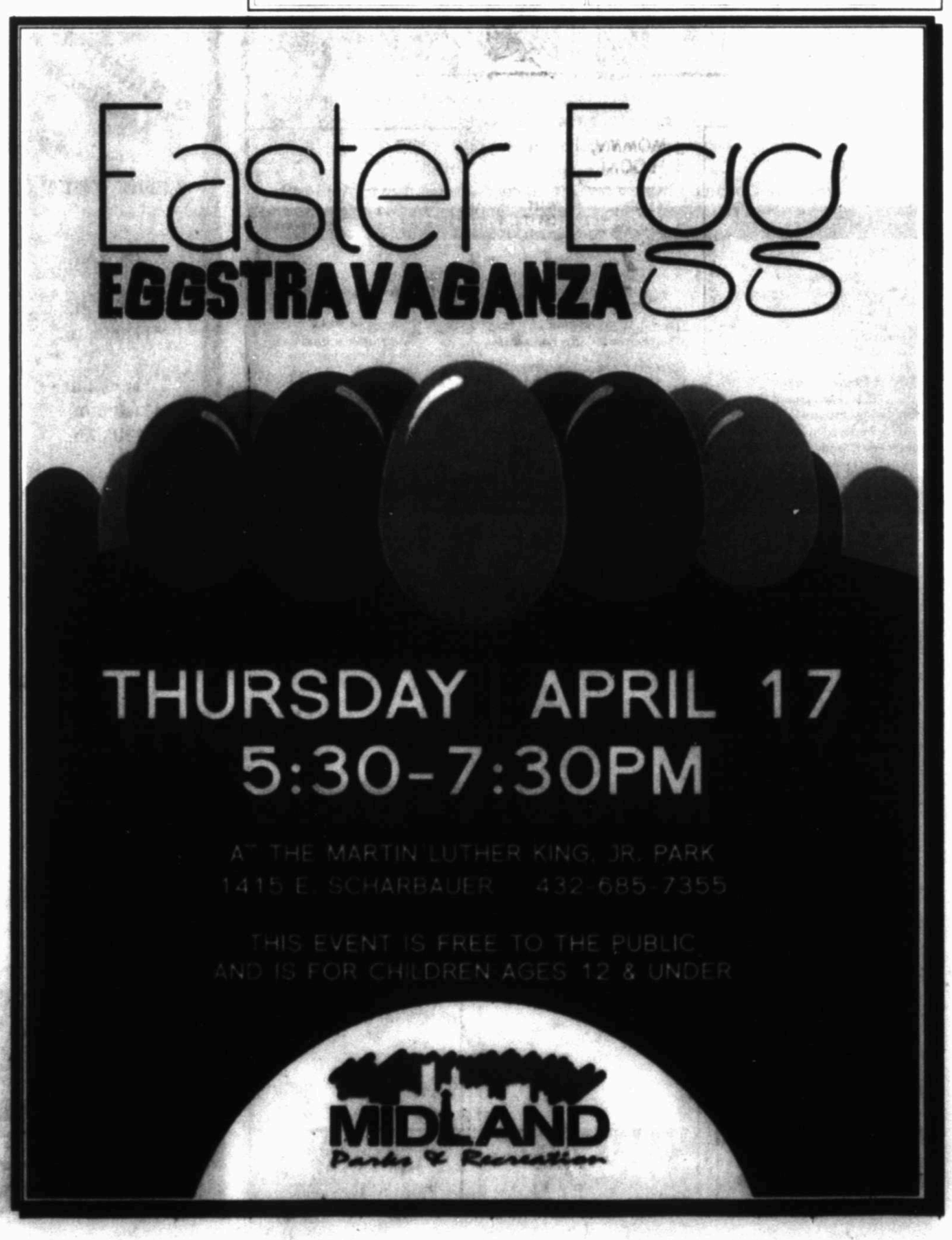
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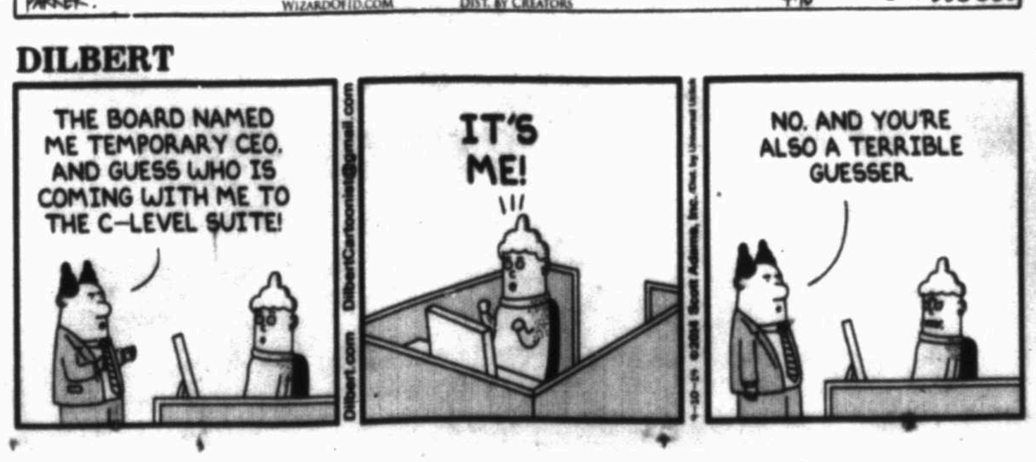
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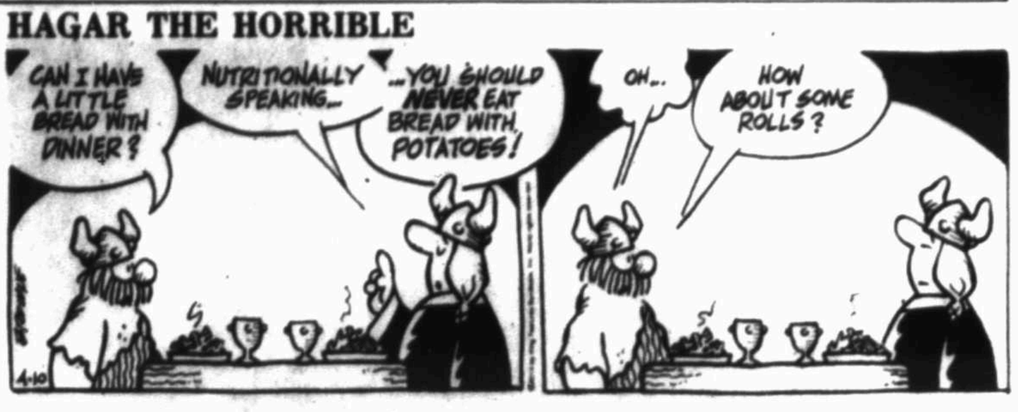
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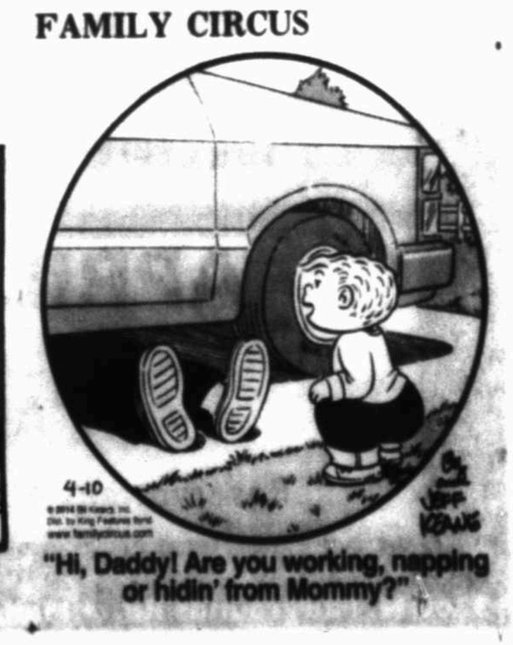
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MUSIC

Restless Heart singer brings country melody to Midland



By Rich Lopez
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Before the Garth Phenomenon hit country music, Restless Heart bridged the gap with its crossover country-pop hits "I'll Still Be Loving You" and "When She Cries." Those hits, along with other bona fide country singles, cemented the band's sound in adult contemporary stations, but then the group went on hiatus. Drummer/singer John Dittrich had been there from the beginning.

"That was a strange time in my life, and it was a lot of changes for me. The band stopped touring. I found myself living in Florida being disconnected from Nashville," he said.

After singing the big hit "When She Cries," one wouldn't expect a music star to take up real estate, but Dittrich sold properties and obtained a mortgage broker's license even though he disliked the business. It was going small time that turned him around.

"I got a job playing in a local band, and I just had a blast. I discovered that joy of playing, and it reminded me that my destiny was to be a musician," he said. "Restless Heart had become such a business that there was no time to breathe. We were burned out. But it also made us realize what we had. We were all supposed to be in Restless Heart."

Now back in full force, Restless Heart will perform Saturday at the Parker House Ranching Museum Spring Roundup at the CAF Hangar at 6 p.m. The event will also feature music by Jerry Dugan and West Wind and a dinner. The museum works to preserve ranching heritage and its annual fundraiser provides monies to keep the museum open. Tickets are $75. Call 335-9918 for details.

Soft White's singer keeps day job as band's buzz grows

By Rich Lopez
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WANT TO GO?

The Soft White Sixties and Leopold and His Fiction, at Basin Burger House, 607 N. Colorado St. April 12 at 6 p.m. thesoftwhitesixties.com.

Telling someone "Don't quit your day job" isn't always the most encouraging, but Octavio Genera has taken the advice to heart. Even with a new album and South By Southwest gigs under his belt as the frontman for San Francisco based band The Soft White Sixties, he still serves time as an educator.

And in some ways, it's not that different.

"It is still a stage, so yeah, there are some commonalities. It is something of a performance," he said. "And some differences. I don't think I've ever told a crowd to be quiet."

The Soft White Sixties plays at Basin Burger House on Saturday with tour mates Leopold and the Fiction. Working mostly as a substitute teacher (and probably the coolest one ever), Genera has the best of both worlds, but as his band garners more buzz thanks to high profile gigs and a stellar profile in Paste, he may have to go full-on rock star soon.

"It's definitely getting harder to do. I enjoy working with students. It's cool. I like showing up, playing guitar for them, but it also gives me leave to tour and not lose my job," he said.

Subbing for mostly middle school students, he thrives on the energy of his classes much like he does his Soft White Sixties audiences and fans at sold-out club shows in his hometown. But while SWS fans dig the smaller venues, his students almost don't get it. Call it a sign of the times.

"I like their energy. It's so refreshing, and they are just unfiltered adults," he said. "But what's scary is how they see the music business. They're asking me why I'm not on The Voice or on TV at all. They think I need to just get a million views on YouTube and that's it. It's very telling, but they're cool."

The band released "Get Right" in early March. While receiving praise for their soulful rock, they're in that tipping point moment. "Get Right" is a dose of modern rock that merges elements of rebellious soul into its mix. The album's dozen tracks are cohesive and solid and as Genera sings "I'm just having a good time" in opening track "City Lights," try hard not to believe him.

"It's cool to see these things come together. We have those moments where we see this is awesome and try to be aware of that. We want to do more and play bigger shows, but we want to enjoy the trip, as well," he said.

That road trip brings them back to Midland this Saturday. As he and Leopold and His Fiction make the Texas rounds, Genera is reminded of his dad. For him, Texas has its mythos.

"My dad listens to older country music, so when we go to places like Lubbock, San Angelo or West Texas, and play these roadhouses, I'm like 'I've heard of these places!' We like playing anywhere, but these names, these places here are awesome," he said.

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Ortiz homer leads Red Sox to win over Rangers

By Jimmy Golen
Associated Press

BOSTON — David Ortiz hit a three-run homer high over the Pesky Pole in the eighth inning, helping the Boston Red Sox rally for a 4-2 victory over the Texas Rangers on Wednesday.

Ortiz's second homer was heading down the right-field line before it curled around the pole just 302 feet from home plate. Ortiz remained in the batter's box until first-base umpire Jerry Meals signaled a home run.

Rangers manager Ron Washington came out after Ortiz crossed the plate to ask for a review. After 44.1 seconds, the play was upheld.

Andrew Miller (1-0) earned the victory despite allowing the Rangers to score the go-ahead run in the top of the eighth. Koji Uehara pitched the ninth for his second save. Alexi Ogando (0-1) allowed two runs in the loss.

Red Sox	4
Rangers	2

The Red Sox scored in the third inning on two walks and a swinging bunt single that was thrown away for an error by pitcher Robbie Ross. The Rangers tied it in the seventh on Mitch Moreland's homer and took a 2-1 lead in the eighth when Elvis Andrus scored on Alex Rios' sacrifice fly.

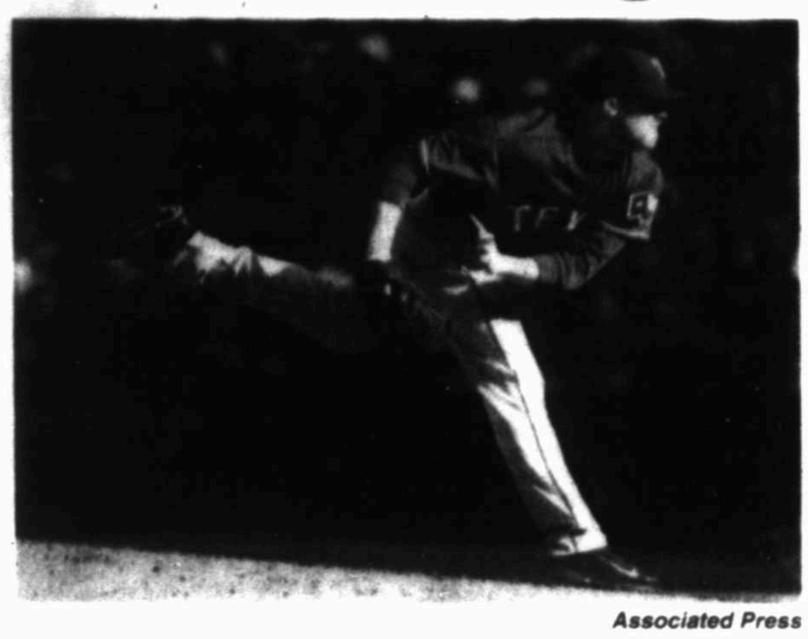
But Ogando walked Jackie Bradley Jr. to lead off the bottom half, and then A.J. Pierzynski blooped a popup down the right-field line that fell in for a single. One out later, Ortiz lined a 1-1 pitch from Neal Cotts down the line and into the seats that jut out from the pole to the right-field corner.

Because the ball sailed much higher than the pole that determines fair from foul, it was not clear — even to Ortiz — whether the homer would count. Meals signaled fair, and the Rangers immediately looked to the dugout to see if Washington would appeal.

After a brief chat with home plate umpire Jordan Baker, the crew went to the visitors' dugout and returned a short time later to confirm the original ruling.

Boston starter Jake Peavy earned another no-decision, leaving in the seventh inning of a 1-1 game. Miller pitched one inning for the win.

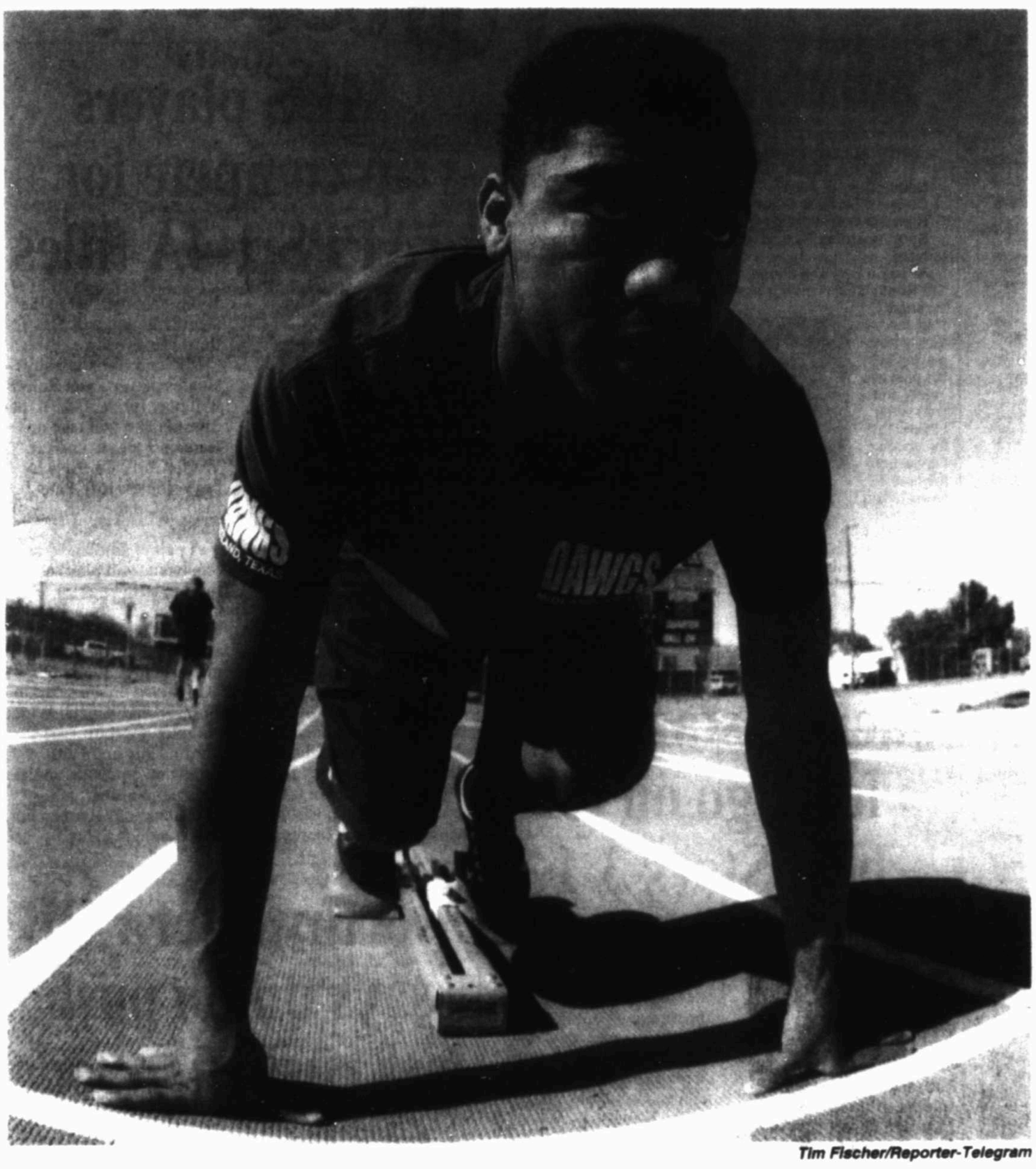
Ogando struck out four but was charged with two runs on one hit and a walk in two innings.



Associated Press

Texas Rangers starting pitcher Robbie Ross delivers to the Boston Red Sox in the third inning at Fenway Park in Boston on Wednesday.

The need for speed



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High sprinter DeAndre Goodley sets himself in the starting block.

Goodley motivated for district meet

By Len Hayward
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DeAndre Goodley doesn't like losing, and he hasn't lost much over the last two years running the 100 meters for Midland High.

But early this spring, Goodley, a senior, lost a race to Lee's Terry Sims, and for a sprinter who is the defending District 2-5A champion that was hard to swallow.

"That week was bad for me, the coaches were on me," Goodley said with a chuckle. "I just don't like the feeling of losing. That's another motivation. I hate losing."

The amount of motivation that Goodley has to win again this year in the 100 meters at the District 2-5A Track & Field Championships in Lubbock is high.

He's motivated to repeat as the champ.

He's motivated to help the Bulldogs contend for a team title.

He's motivated to carry on the tradition of Midland High sprinters from the last decade, and follow in the footsteps of runners such as Baron Batch and Tyler Middleton.

And he's motivated to show potential college football coaches that his speed

Please see **GOODLEY**/3C

The meet

District 2-5A Track & Field Championships
When: Today-Friday
Where: Lowrey Field, Lubbock
Teams competing: Midland High, Lee, Odessa High, Odessa Permian, Abilene High, Abilene Cooper, Lubbock Coronado, Amarillo Tascosa, San Angelo Central

MCS squads begin quest for state titles



Midland Christian's Devin Nguyen competes in the long jump event during the Rogers Lincoln Ford Tall City Invitational in February at Memorial Stadium.

MRT file photo

By Oscar LeRoy
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The TAPPS District 1-4A Track Meet begins today at McMurry University in Abilene but the Midland Christian track program has goals that go far beyond this week.

Both the Midland Christian boys and girls track squads are coming off state championships in 2013 and considering that they have developed strong traditions, this district meet is just one step toward state gold.

"I think it's a big deal to win a district championship, but at the same time, our big goal is to advance every athlete that we need to advance (to state)," Midland Christian track coach Tucker Schneemann said.



Schneemann

The MCS boys are the three-time defending state champions, which Schneemann said has motivated the athletes to work hard to continue that tradition started by past athletes at the school.

"They all have put in the time and

Please see **MCS**/3C

Girls tourney moves to Metroplex; boys stay at Grande

From staff reports

The University Interscholastic League announced on Wednesday that the girls portion of this year's Region I-5A Soccer Tournament has been moved to the Metroplex.

It's the second straight year that all or a portion of the tournament have been moved from Grande Communications Stadium because the majority of the teams were the from the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

In 2013, the tournament was moved because all eight girls and boys teams were from the Metroplex, while this year all four girls teams were from the area. The girls' tournament will now be played at Northwest ISD's stadium.

Southlake Carroll, Coppell, Keller and Lewisville Hebron all qualified for this year's girls regional tournament.

The El Paso Eastwood boys team is the lone representative from west of Abilene in the boys tournament, and the UIL said that part of the tournament would stay at Grande Communications Stadium. Also competing in this year's boys regional tournament is Arlington High, Flower Mound Marcus and Coppell.

Arlington High will take on Marcus at 2 p.m. Friday in the first semifinal, and El Paso Eastwood will face Coppell at 4 p.m. in the second semifinal.

"We re-evaluated the regional tournament location in an effort to be sensitive to the additional travel cost and loss of school time associated with traveling long distances," UIL Director of Athletics Mark Cousins said.

The tournament

Region I-5A Boys Soccer Tournament
Where: Grande Communications Stadium

Schedule
Friday's Semifinals
Arlington High (Runner-up District 3) vs. Flower Mound Marcus (Runner-up District 5), 2 p.m.
El Paso Eastwood (Winner District 1) vs. Coppell (Winner District 5), 4 p.m.
Saturday's Final
Semifinal winners, 2 p.m.

Cowboys to face Broncos, Ware in preseason

Tom Orsborn
San Antonio Express-News

IRVING — The Dallas Cowboys will open their 2014 preseason schedule on the road against the San Diego Chargers during the dates of Aug. 7-10.

The Cowboys will return to Arlington to host the Baltimore Ravens in Week 2 of the preseason. The final two exhibition games will be at the Miami Dolphins and at home against the defending AFC champion Denver Broncos and former Cowboys pass-rushing great DeMarcus Ware.

The exact dates and times for the preseason schedule will be announced later this month.

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

WHAT'S ON TV

COLLEGE BASEBALL
Tennessee at Georgia, 6:30 p.m., ESPNU

GOLF
Masters Tournament, first round, at Augusta, Ga. 2 p.m., ESPN

MLB
Regional coverage, Oakland at Minnesota or Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs (2:15 p.m.), noon, MLB
Pittsburgh at Chicago Cubs, 1:15 p.m., WGN
Regional coverage, Boston at N.Y. Yankees or Milwaukee at Philadelphia, 6 p.m., MLB

MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY
NCAA Division I, playoffs, semifinal, Boston College vs. Union (N.Y.), at Philadelphia, 4 p.m., ESPN2
NCAA Division I, playoffs, semifinal, North Dakota vs. Minnesota, at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m., ESPN2

NBA
San Antonio at Dallas, 7 p.m., TNT
Denver at Golden State, 9:30 p.m., TNT

NHL
St. Louis at Minnesota, 7 p.m., NBCSN

SOCCER
UEFA Europa League, quarterfinal, second leg, Juventus vs. Lyon, at Turin, Italy, 2 p.m., FS1

WHAT'S ON DECK

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
RockHounds at Arkansas, 7:10 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL TRACK
District 2-5A Meet, Lubbock w art
District 4-3A Meet, Big Spring
District 2-3A Meet, Lubbock Cooper
District 3-2A Track, Denver City
TAPPS 1-4A Meet, Abilene

HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS
TAPPS 1-4A Tournament, Abilene

LOCAL SPORTS

HS BASKETBALL
GIRLS 1-4A DIVISION II
ALL-DISTRICT TEAM

MVP: Holly Hallmann, Jr., Garden City
Offensive MVP: Hannah Hallmann, Sr., Garden City
Defensive MVP: Kamie Hallmann, Sr., Garden City
Newcomer of the Year: Brittney Bedford, Fr., Bronte
First Team
Crystal Bilbrey, Jr., Bronte; Selena Navarro, Jr., Sterling City; Brittney Rauch, So., Sterling City; Baily Balderas, Jr., Paint Rock; Reagan Jessup, Jr., Paint Rock; Shelby Grelle, So., Paint Rock; Bianca Huapilla, Sr., Robert Lee; Brady Clawson, So., Robert Lee; Brylie Schaefer, Jr., Garden City; Lexie Schaefer, Sr., Garden City
Second Team
Katlin Walter, Sr., Water Valley; Hailey Rogers, Sr., Water Valley; Marley Boswell, Jr., Bronte; Cassidy Doggett, Jr., Sterling City; Autumn Kilpatrick, So., Sterling City; Brookelyn Harris, Sr., Blackwell; Tristin Bednar, Jr., Paint Rock; Pammy Meeks, So., Robert Lee; Charlie Holik, Sr., Veribest; Hope Hallmann, So., Garden City; Carlie Hollingsworth, So., Garden City

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Record: Midland Classical 5-7-1.

Next: Midland's San Jacinto at Midland Classical, 4 p.m. Friday, Timon Field.

Chaps secure NJCAA Southwest title

From staff reports

POTTSBORO — The Midland College golf team shot the best round of the day on Tuesday to secure the 2014 NJCAA Southwest Championship at Tanglewood Golf Resort.


Wicks

The Chaparrals shot a 296 on Tuesday to give them a three-round total of 880 to win the tournament by four strokes over rival Odessa College, which shot 295-290-299—884. The tournament is also the first 54 holes of 108 of the NJCAA Region V Tournament.

The Chaps had a one-stroke lead heading into Tuesday's round.

MC freshman David Wicks also held on to his lead and won the medalist title by six strokes over Tyler Junior College's Brandon Rougeau as Wicks shot 69-73-70—212.

"This was truly a collective effort," MC golf coach Delnor Poss. "David played outstanding to win the medalist race."

MC teammate and sophomore Oswin Schlenkrich finished in a tie for sixth place after shooting 73-74-75—222.

Fellow MC sophomore Ryder Skillern shot 74-72-78—224, sophomore Russell Lara fired 79-74-75—228 and MC freshman Trace Morrow finished with a 75-78-76—229 total.

The Chaparrals next head to Sugar Tree Country Club in Dennis on April 21-22 for the next 54 holes of the Region V Tournament.

2014 NJCAA SOUTHWEST CHAMPIONSHIP
Final Round
Tanglewood Golf Resort, Pottsboro
Par: 72; Yards: 6,897
Tuesday's results

Team standings — 1. Midland College 291-293-295—880; 2. Odessa College 295-290-299—884; 3. McLennan Community College 303-299-297—899; 4. Tyler Junior College 302-301-305—908; 5. Paris Junior College 302-301-305—908; 6. Western Texas College 303-305-309—917; 7. Ranger College 313-310-317—940; 8. New Mexico Junior College 296-315-323—934; 9. Jacksonville Community College 309-315-323—946; 10. New Mexico Military Institute 353-324-374—1,051; 11. Clarendon College 326-323-DNF

Medalist standings (top 10) — 1. David Wicks, Midland, 69-73-70—212; 2. Brandon Rougeau, Tyler JC, 72-74-74—218; 3. Kyle Gertner, Odessa, 75-72-72—219; 4. (tie) Jamie Warren, Odessa College, 73-75-75—221; Jordan Ayes, NMJC, 71-72-78—221; 6. (tie) Zac Oliver, Paris JC, 77-75-70; Andrew Hans, McLennan, 75-73-74—222; Oswin Schlenkrich, Midland, 73-74-75—222; Beau Hanson, Odessa, 73-73-76—222; 10. (tie) Casto Ruiz, Western Texas, 71-76-76—223; Janzen Digby, Odessa, 74-73-76—223

Other Midland College individuals — Ryder Skillern 74-72-78—224, Russell Lara 79-74-75—228, Trace Morrow 75-78-76—229

2-6A Baseball Standings

Team	Overall W	Overall L	District W	District L
Midland High	11	0	17	0
Abilene High	9	2	13	7
San Angelo Central	8	2	15	6
Amarillo Tascosa	5	5	14	7
Lubbock Coronado	5	5	11	9
Abilene Cooper	4	7	8	11
Odessa High	3	8	9	13
Lee	2	9	8	14
Odessa Permian	1	10	2	20

Tuesday's Scores
Midland High 8, Odessa High 4
Abilene High 12, Lee 1
Abilene Cooper 7, Odessa Permian 2
Lubbock Coronado 9, Amarillo Tascosa 7

Friday's Games
Lee vs. Midland High, 7 p.m., Christensen Stadium
Odessa High at Abilene Cooper, 4:30 p.m.
Amarillo Tascosa at San Angelo Central, 4:30 p.m.
Abilene High at Lubbock Coronado, 6 p.m.

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

2-5A Softball Standings

Team	Overall W	Overall L	District W	District L
xy-Lubbock Coronado	13	0	20	2
Midland High	10	4	17	7
Lee	8	4	16	9
Odessa High	8	5	16	7
Odessa Permian	6	6	16	9
San Angelo Central	5	8	9	10
Abilene High	4	9	9	14
Abilene Cooper	1	12	5	16
Amarillo Tascosa	1	12	4	18

x-clinched playoff berth
y-clinched district title

Tuesday's Scores
Lee 4, San Angelo Central 0
Amarillo Tascosa 8, Abilene Cooper 4
Lubbock Coronado 5, Midland High 3
Odessa High 4, Odessa Permian 3

Saturday's Games
Alpine at Midland High, 12:30 p.m.
Abilene Cooper at Lee, 2 p.m.
Odessa High at Abilene High, 2 p.m.
San Angelo Central at Lubbock Coronado, 2 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League

BOSTON RED SOX — Activated LHP Craig Breslow from the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP Brandon Workman to Pawtucket.
CLEVELAND INDIANS — Optioned RHP Vinnie Pestano to Columbus (IL). Recalled RHP Trevor Bauer and RHP Chen-Chang Lee from Columbus.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Activated RHP Louis Coleman from the 15-day DL. Recalled 2B Johnny Giavotella from Omaha (PCL). Optioned LHP Donnie Joseph and RHP Aaron Brooks to Omaha.
LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Placed OF Josh Hamilton on the 15-day DL. Recalled OF J.B. Shuck from Salt Lake (PCL).
MINNESOTA TWINS — Placed OF Oswaldo Arcia on the 15-day DL, retroactive to April 5.
NEW YORK YANKEES — Optioned C Austin Romine to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Recalled RHP Shane Greene from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre.
SEATTLE MARINERS — Recalled LHP Lucas Luetge from Tacoma (PCL). Placed LHP James Paxton on the 15-day DL.
TEXAS RANGERS — Purchased the contract of INF Kevin Kouzmanoff from Round Rock (PCL).
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Recalled RHP Neil Wagner from Buffalo (IL). Optioned RHP Marcus Walden to Buffalo.

National League

ATLANTA BRAVES — Optioned RHP Pedro Beato to Gwinnett (IL).
COLORADO ROCKIES — Recalled INF Josh Rutledge from Colorado Springs (PCL). Optioned RHP Wilton Lopez to Colorado Springs.
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Reinstated RHP Josh Beckett from the 15-day DL. Optioned RHP Jose Dominguez to Albuquerque (PCL).
MIAMI MARLINS — Placed RHP Jacob Turner on the 15-day DL. Recalled RHP Arquimedes Caminero from New Orleans (PCL).

American Association

FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS — Signed RHP Nate Garcia and LHP Clayton Schulz. Traded OF/1B Jon Talley to New Jersey (Can-Am) for a player to be named.
GRAND PRAIRIE AIR HOGS — Signed 1B Chris Garcia. Released RHP Stephen Nikonchik, LHP David Quinowski, RHP Chase Johnson and OF Ran Kinery.
LAREDO LEMURS — Traded RHP Amalio Diaz and RHP Justin Garcia to Rockland (Can-Am) for two players to be named.
LINCOLN SALTDOGS — Signed OF Matt Forgatch. Released RHP Travis Parker.
WICHITA WINGNUTS — Traded LHP James Giulietti to Rockland (Can-Am) for a player to be named.

Atlantic League

LONG ISLAND DUCKS — Signed RHP Jeremy Accardo, OF Quincy Latimore and C Keith Castillo.

Can-Am League

NEW JERSEY JACKALS — Signed C Danny Masiello.
ROCKLAND BOULDERS — Released INF Danny Bomback and RHP Kevin Fuqua.
TROIS-RIVIERES AIGLES — Signed RHP Tyler D. Wilson and INF Eric Grabe.

Frontier League

EVANSVILLE OTTERS — Signed 1B Nik Balog and C Ryan McChesney.
FRONTIER GREYS — Signed 1B Joe Rapp and OF Matthew Scruggs.
ROCKFORD AVIATORS — Signed RHP Ryan Zimmerman. Released C Tyler Smith.
SCHAUMBURG BOOMERS — Signed RHP Seaith Howe. RHP Danny Jimnez and OF Zac Zdanowicz.
SOUTHERN ILLINOIS MINERS — Named Preston Vancil pitching coach. Released RHP Brett Kennedy.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association

GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS — Signed C Hilton Armstrong for the remainder of the season.
HOUSTON ROCKETS — Recalled F Robert Covington and G Troy Daniels from Rio Grande Valley (NBADL).

FOOTBALL
National Football League

BOSTON BRUINS — Recalled F Ryan Spooner from Providence (AHL).
BUFFALO BILLS — Signed P Jake Dombrowski.
CAROLINA PANTHERS — Re-signed DT Colin Cole to a one-year contract.
NEW YORK JETS — Re-signed LB Garrett McIntyre.
SAN DIEGO CHARGERS — Agreed to terms with OL Rich Ohmberger on a one-year contract.

Canadian Football League

SASKATCHEWAN ROUGHRIDERS — Signed general manager Brendan Taman to a two-year extension through the 2017 season and added the title of vice president of football operations to his job description.
WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Signed OL Eric Armitage and DB Kevin Prempeh.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League

NEW YORK ISLANDERS — Recalled F Johan Sundstrom from Bridgeport (AHL).
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Recalled G Kristers Gudlevskis from Syracuse (AHL).
VANCOUVER CANUCKS — Named Trevor Linden president of hockey operations.

COLLEGE

ARIZONA STATE — Named Zeke Jones wrestling coach.
AUBURN: Named Todd Golden director of basketball operations.
FLORIDA A&M — Named Kelen Winslow Sr. athletic director.
JACKSONVILLE — Named Tony Jasick men's basketball coach.
KANSAS — Announced freshman C Joel Embiid will enter the NBA draft.
MARQUETTE — Announced Terri Mitchell women's basketball will not return next season.
PROVIDENCE — Named Dana Eikenberg women's assistant basketball coach.

SIGNING CAPSULE

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MHS' ALLEN GOING TO SUL ROSS

Name: Desare' Allen
College: Sul Ross State
High School: Midland High
Sport/position: Basketball, forward

Allen on why she chose Sul Ross: "I didn't think it was that hard. I like the facility from playing in it the past two years, and then when I talked to the coach, I knew from the first time I talked to him that was where I was supposed to be. With their style of play, everybody will play and you will need a whole bench. You have to be athletic in the way they play."


Allen

Midland High coach Wes Torres on Allen: "No. 1, they are getting an athlete. She is a true forward and can play in and out. She really did that for us this year, and I think it was a huge advantage for us against teams like (Amarillo) Tascosa, and even Southlake Carroll, we were able to pull the big girls out and she was able to attack."

Notes: Allen was a key contributor for the Lady Bulldogs this past season, helping them to the second round of the Class 5A girls basketball playoffs. ... Allen was a first-team all-district selection for the 2013-14 season. ... Allen said she had interest from Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene, along with Frank Phillips College and a handful of other junior colleges outside of Texas. ... Midland High has played its last two first-round playoff games at the Gallegos Center in Alpine, which is Sul Ross State's home court.

MCS players to compete for TAPPS 1-4A titles

From staff reports

ABILENE — Two Midland Christian singles players and a doubles team will play for TAPPS District 1-4A tennis titles today at the Rose Park Tennis Center.

The Mustangs' Caitlin Bell will play in the girls singles final, after rolling through the bracket on Wednesday. Bell will take on Cici Cornelius from Arlington Pantego.

Also in girls singles, Madelyn Hammond lost in the semifinals and will play for third place today.

The girls doubles team of McKenzie Stubbs and Ashley Hedrick will also play for a title today, facing a team from Lubbock Trinity. The Mustang doubles team of Natalie Keesee and Kylie Vaughan lost in the semifinals and will play for third place today.

Midland Christian boys singles player Ryan Ramos will play for the title in that division and will take on Cannon Jones from Fort Worth Christian. Also in boys singles, Roy Bateman lost in the consolation finals.

A pair of Midland Christian teams will play for third in boys doubles. A.J. Carter and Tristan Tannich will take on Ryan Adams and Ethan Lewis in that match today.

In mixed doubles, Brian Brunson and Krystal Wight will play for third, and Martin Lilly and Faith Windham competed in the consolation final.

The two-day tournament will conclude today.

Jackets start with lead, go on to beat Stars 3-1

By Schulyer Dixon
Associated Press

Blue Jackets	**3**
Stars	**1**

DALLAS — Artem Anisimov and Mark Letestu added goals to the one Columbus already had when the makeup game started, and the Blue Jackets clinched the second playoff berth in franchise history with a 3-1 victory over the Dallas Stars on Wednesday night.

The Blue Jackets had a 1-0 lead when the puck dropped because that was the score March 10, the night the original game was postponed after Dallas forward Rich Peverley collapsed on the bench because of an irregular heartbeat.

Anisimov doubled the margin on an unassisted goal just 1:33 into the game. That was 71 seconds faster than the goal last month by Nathan Horton, who got credit for it even though he didn't officially play because he missed the makeup game with a lower-body injury.

The Blue Jackets set a franchise record with 42 wins, beating the previous mark from their only other playoff season in 2008-09.

Columbus was swept by Detroit in the first round five years ago, and now those teams are in a battle for playoff position in their first season since being moved to the Eastern Conference.

The Stars never really gave themselves a chance to build a cushion on Phoenix for the final playoff berth in the West. Dallas (89 points) has a two-point lead over the Coyotes, who have three games left to two for the Stars.

Dallas trailed 3-0 after the first and couldn't capitalize on power plays with fresh ice at the start of the second and third periods against Columbus goalie Sergei Bobrovsky, who stopped 17 of 18 shots in the third period and 33 of 34 overall.

The Russian had to work harder at the start of the third, stopping Tyler Seguin on a backhand shot in the crease after Dallas' leading scorer skated around the defense and turning away Jamie Benn from the wing a few seconds later.

The Stars scored when they pulled goalie Tim Thomas for a 6-on-4 power play with 13 minutes left in the game. Bobrovsky made a sprawling save before Trevor Daley punched in a rebound in a crowd in front of the net.

Dallas outshot Columbus 18-2 in the third period, when the Stars went with an empty net for a total of about 5 minutes.

The Stars ended up playing four times in five nights because of the makeup game, the same thing the Blue Jackets are doing to finish the season. Columbus was on the second night of a back-to-back and is the first team to play on four of the last five days of the season since Ottawa in 1993.

Thomas was fooled by Anisimov for the Columbus center's third goal in two games against the Stars, and Letestu made it 3-0 when his shot went off Daley's stick to the side of Thomas and somehow slid between the goalie's legs.

Northwestern QB says union push was rushed, wrong

By Eric Olson
Associated Press

Northwestern's Trevor Siemian said Wednesday it was wrong for former quarterback Kain Colter and other players to explore unionization without first taking their concerns to their coach and administrators.

The school's football players are scheduled to vote later this month on whether to form a union to possibly bargain over better compensation, health insurance and work conditions. Siemian, a quarterback who will be a senior this fall, said during a conference call with reporters that players should have taken their concerns to coach Pat Fitzgerald and athletic director James Phillips before setting out to unionize.

"I'm treated far better than I deserve here," Siemian said. "Introducing a third party or somebody else, especially when our main goals when this began ... there were issues with the NCAA that we thought we could address, and (unionizing) was one of the ways to do it. Nothing had been exhausted from within the school. Myself included, nobody ever addressed Fitz or Dr. Phillips about these issues.

"Two of these guys that all of us have come here and trusted so much — I've known coach Fitz five or six years now — to say I don't trust you enough to help us out addressing these changes isn't the right way to go."

A regional director for the National Labor Relations Board announced on March 26 that Northwestern's football players meet the definition of employees under federal law and are allowed to unionize. The players are set to vote by secret ballot April 25 on whether to form a union.



NHL STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
z-Boston	79	53	18	8	114	254	171
x-Montreal	80	45	27	8	98	214	202
x-Tampa Bay	79	43	27	9	95	232	211
x-Detroit	80	38	27	15	91	218	228
Toronto	80	38	34	8	84	229	251
Ottawa	79	34	31	14	82	230	262
Florida	80	28	44	8	64	190	263
Buffalo	79	21	49	9	51	152	238

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-Pittsburgh	80	51	24	5	107	244	200
x-N.Y. Rangers	80	44	31	5	93	216	191
x-Philadelphia	79	41	29	9	91	225	222
Columbus	80	42	31	7	91	226	211
Washington	79	36	30	13	85	226	237
New Jersey	79	34	29	16	84	191	201
Carolina	79	34	34	11	79	197	219
N.Y. Islanders	79	31	37	11	73	216	262

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-St. Louis	79	52	20	7	111	246	181
x-Colorado	79	51	21	7	109	243	210
x-Chicago	80	46	19	15	107	262	209
x-Minnesota	80	42	26	12	96	200	197
Dallas	80	39	30	11	89	231	226
Nashville	79	35	32	12	82	200	234
Winnipeg	80	35	35	10	80	220	233

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-Anaheim	79	51	20	8	110	254	202
x-San Jose	79	51	21	7	107	239	182
x-Los Angeles	79	45	26	8	98	197	166
Phoenix	79	36	28	15	87	212	225
Vancouver	79	35	33	11	81	187	213
Calgary	79	34	38	7	75	201	228
Edmonton	80	28	43	9	65	198	265

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.
x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division
z-clinched conference

Wednesday's Scores
Pittsburgh 4, Detroit 3, SO
Chicago 3, Montreal 2, OT
Columbus 3, Dallas 1
Los Angeles at Calgary, late
San Jose at Anaheim, late

Today's Games
Buffalo at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.
Washington at Carolina, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Nashville, 7 p.m.
St. Louis at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Boston at Winnipeg, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles at Edmonton, 8:30 p.m.
Colorado at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

FISHING REPORT

WEST

ALAN HENRY: Water lightly stained; 52-61 degrees; 14.75 feet low. Black bass are fair on Texas rigs, jigs and Rat-L-Traps. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows. Catfish are fair on nightcrawlers.

ARROWHEAD: Water off color; 53-59 degrees; 17.33 feet low. One ramp open and few anglers have been on the lake.

COLORADO CITY: 20.61 feet low. No report available.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 53-60 degrees; 13.15 feet low. Black bass are fair on black/blue jigs, Rat-L-Traps and Texas rigs. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows. Catfish are fair on nightliners.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water off color; 54-61 degrees; 24.03 feet low. Black bass are fair on Texas rigs and drop shot rigs. Crappie are fair on minnows. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers and prepared bait.

NASWORTHY: No report available.

OAK CREEK: Water stained; 54-61 degrees; 22.45 feet low. Black bass are fair on shaky heads, Rat-L-Traps and Texas rigs. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are fair to good on cut bait and nightcrawlers.

O.H. IVIE: Water stained; 54-60 degrees; 45.00 feet low. Black bass are fair on watermelon seed jigs, shaky heads, Rat-L-Traps and Texas rigs. Crappie are fair on minnows.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water fairly clear; 54-61 degrees; 10.84 feet low. Black bass are fair on jigs and Texas rigs. Crappie are fair on minnows. White bass are fair to good on slabs. Striped bass are fair on live shad. Catfish are fair on nightcrawlers.

SPENCE: 69.86 feet low. No report available.

STAMFORD: 15.22 feet low. No report available.

SWEETWATER: Water murky; 53-59 degrees; 24.16 feet low. Black bass are fair on Rat-L-Traps and Texas rigs. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are fair to good on prepared bait.

WHITE RIVER: Water stained; 52-60 degrees; 34.64 feet low. No report available.

PANHANDLE

GREENBELT: 42.32 feet low. No report available.

MACKENZIE: 97.47 feet low. No report available.

MEREDITH: 89.15 feet low. No report available.

PALO DURO: 52.64 feet low. No report available.

SOUTH

AMISTAD: Water fairly clear; 63-67 degrees; 35.30 feet low. Black bass are good on crankbaits, jerkbaits, soft plastics, and jigs. Striped bass are fair on slabs and small crankbaits. White bass are good on slabs, small crankbaits, and minnows. Crappie are fair on live minnows up Devil's River in the trees. Catfish are fair on cheesebait, shrimp, and nightcrawlers over baited holes. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live perch. Everyone in a boat must have a Mexico fishing license (if fishing the Mexico side) whether fishing or not.

BRAUNIG: Water clear. Black bass are good on spinnerbaits and Rat-L-Traps near the dam. Striped bass are fair down rigging silver and gold spoons and marble spinnerbaits near the dam. Redfish are fair on perch, shad, tilapia, crawfish, and shrimp near Dead Tree Point. Channel catfish are good on liver, shrimp, cheesebait, and cut bait near the dam. Blue catfish are fair on cut bait.


Almodova


Barnett


Corbitt


Garibay


Krise


Torres

MHS' Barnett named 2-5A Defensive MVP

From staff reports

Midland High junior Hope Barnett was named the District 2-5A Defensive Most Valuable Player, and four Lady Bulldogs earned first-team honors on this year's 2-5A All-District girls soccer team.

Barnett helped to anchor a Midland High defense that finished in second place in District 2-5A and won the program's first playoff game in two years.

Sophomore Adrienne Almodova and juniors Sarah Krisa, Sara Torres and Sammi Garibay all earned first-team honors for the Lady Bulldogs.

Lee junior Shelby Corbitt was the lone first team representative for the Lady Rebels.

Odessa Permian senior Audrey Adkins was the district's MVP, and the Lady Panthers' Sam Vestal was the Offensive MVP. Odessa High's Ariane Bersoza was the Midfielder of the Year, and San Angelo Central sophomore Kirsten Yancey was the Newcomer of the Year.

Permian's Hope Koym, Amarillo Tascosa's Marissa Torres and Odessa High's Lupita Yanez all shared Goalkeeper of the Year honors.

Odessa Permian coach Chad Peterson was the Coach of the Year.

2014 2-5A Girls Soccer All-District Team
Most Valuable Player: Audrey Adkins, Sr., Odessa Permian
Defensive MVP: Hope Barnett, Jr., Midland High
Offensive MVP: Sam Vestal, So., Odessa Permian
Midfielder of the Year: Ariane Bersoza, Sr., Odessa High
Goalkeepers of the Year: Hope Koym, So., Odessa Permian; Marissa Torres, Sr., Amarillo Tascosa; Lupita Yanez, Sr., Odessa High
Newcomer of the Year: Kirsten Yancy, So., San Angelo Central
Coach of the Year: Chad Peterson, Odessa Permian

First Team
Odessa Permian: Caitlyn Poston, Sr.; Keely Wilkerson, Sr.; Lexi Satterwhite, Sr.; Kaylee Paz, So.
Midland High: Adrienne Almodova, So.; Sarah Krisa, Jr.; Sara Torres, Jr.; Sammi Garibay, Jr.
Odessa High: Emma Martinez, Sr.; Chassidy Reyos, Sr.; Gladys Garcia, Jr.
San Angelo Central: Danielle Black, Jr.; Ariana Buntgarness, Sr.; Paige Vincent, So.
Abilene Cooper: Katie Lane, Sr.; Kali Myers, Sr.
Lee: Shelby Corbitt, Jr.
Abilene High: Caitlyn Rodriguez, Jr.
Amarillo Tascosa: Stone Graham, So.
Lubbock Coronado: Shelby Pritchard, Sr.

Second Team
Odessa Permian: Kiersten Chapman, Sr.; Avery Rodriguez, Fr.; Kondria Cisneros, So.; Jasmine Leyva, Sr.
Midland High: Jaime Lujan, So.; Mari Martine, Fr.; Claudia Pricker, Fr.
Odessa High: Karina Barrera, Jr.; Karely Orona, Jr.; Elizabeth Garcia, Jr.
San Angelo Central: Avery Rea, Jr.; Monica Upshaw, Sr.
Abilene Cooper: Sarah Ramon, So.
Lee: De'onna Calhoun, Sr.; Chaselyn Richardson, Jr.
Abilene High: Hanna Reese, Jr.
Amarillo Tascosa: Karina Barba, Jr.
Lubbock Coronado: Bridgett Sherrill, Jr.

Honorable Mention
Odessa Permian: Amanda Adkins, So.; Kaitlyn Braddock, Sr.
Midland High: Hayden Burdsal, So.; Selena Campos, Sr.
Odessa High: Haylee Tavarez, Jr.; Zaida Lopez, Fr.
San Angelo Central: Morgan Cote, Jr.; Annie Fuchs, Jr.
Abilene Cooper: Brittney Suarez, Sr.; Elizabeth Green, Fr.
Lee: Jessy Luna, Fr.; Mia Garcia, Sr.
Abilene High: Star Calderon, Fr.; Emily Krause, So.
Amarillo Tascosa: Marisa Rosales, Sr.; Baylee Hampton, Jr.
Lubbock Coronado: Presley Ramsey, Jr.; Selena Munoz, Sr.


Baeza


Behrmann


Bell


Downing


Gonzalez


Vazquez


VonHolle

Lee's Strambler, MHS' VonHolle take honors

From staff reports

Lee senior Darius Strambler and Midland High sophomore Alex VonHolle each earned superlative honors on this year's 2-5A All-District Boys Soccer team.

Strambler, who has signed to play soccer at Lubbock Christian, was the Offensive MVP and was one of top scorers in the district this season with 17 goals. VonHolle, meanwhile, was the Midfielder MVP and helped to anchor a Midland High attack that scored 42 goals in 16 district games this season. VonHolle also had 10 goals and nine assists also.

A total of six players from Lee and Midland High earned first-team honors on this year's team.

Will Downing (Sr.), James Behrmann (Sr.) and Homer Vasquez (So.) were all first team selections for the Bulldogs. Lee seniors Cesar Gonzales, Alex Bell and Johnny Baeza all earned first team nods.

Abilene Cooper's Baha Israfilov was the district's Most Valuable Player, and Odessa Permian senior Barron Becker was the Defensive MVP. Amarillo Tascosa's Brayden Fauske was the Goalkeeper MVP and Abilene Cooper freshman Pedro Lira was the Newcomer of the Year.

Amarillo Tascosa coach Tommy Willis was named Coach of the Year.

2-5A ALL-DISTRICT BOYS SOCCER TEAM
MVP: Baha Israfilov, Sr., Abilene Cooper
Offensive MVP: Darius Strambler, Sr., Lee
Defensive MVP: Barron Becker, Sr., Odessa Permian
Goalkeeper MVP: Brayden Fauske, Jr., Amarillo Tascosa
Midfielder MVP: Alex VonHolle, So., Midland High
Newcomer of the Year: Pedro Lira, Fr., Abilene Cooper
Coach of the Year: Tommy Willis, Amarillo Tascosa

First Team
Amarillo Tascosa: Ignacio Ducin, Legrand Bouyi; J.D. Carreon, Loan Abo
Midland High: Will Downing, James Behrmann, Homero Vasquez
Lee: Cesar Gonzales, Alex Bell, Johnny Baeza
Abilene Cooper: Fabio Scaief, Luke Lopez, Sam Baugh
Odessa High: Adan Ortiz, Randy Bermea
Abilene High: Arnold Serrano
Odessa Permian: Caleb Almanza
San Angelo Central: Chris Serrano
Lubbock Coronado: Connor Dean

Second Team
Amarillo Tascosa: Adrian Gomez, Erick Thang, Hay Da va, Omar Omar
Midland High: Ricky Munoz, Gus Ramirez, Quentin Dickson
Lee: Alan Avila, Nate Ortiz, Reid Longabaugh
Abilene Cooper: Chance Borrin, Lutfi Abamimov, Michael Castillo
Odessa High: Josue Becerra, Jorge Murillo
Abilene High: Marsha Sembe
Odessa Permian: Justin Mendias
San Angelo Central: Alejandro Sanchez
Lubbock Coronado: Vitaly Plascencia

Honorable Mention
Midland High: Michael Izquierdo, Allan Aguilar
Lubbock Coronado: Jordan Stone, Chance Farr
Odessa High: Bryan Altamarino, Christian Gallin
Odessa Permian: Carlos Gonzales, Sergio Enriquez
Amarillo Tascosa: Musa Abdi, Rabin Lian
Abilene High: Samuel Thomas, Marvin Mota
Abilene Cooper: Christian Kapper, Zane Archa, Lee: Trey Sanchez, Leo Barba
San Angelo Central: Gage Bonaventure, Hayden Black

Penske can look toward Chase after Logano win

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

As he chased Joey Logano around Texas Motor Speedway, more than a few people wondered if Brad Keselowski was letting off the gas just a little bit to help his teammate to a win.

A flurry of late activity cleared Keselowski of any potential wrongdoing.

As Logano closed in on the white flag that would have wrapped up the win, a late caution sent the field to pit road. Keselowski was penalized for speeding — he was 0.8 mph over in one of the zones on pit road — and it proved he was doing everything in his power to win Monday's race.

"I definitely wasn't (laying back)," Keselowski said. "I was 105 percent, so that's why I got a speeding penalty. I broke the rule the other way."

NASCAR last September demanded drivers give 100 percent at all times in a mandate to prevent them from aiding teammates. The penalty Keselowski had to serve contributed to his 15th-place finish, and Logano went on to win his first race of the season.

"We're in it for wins. We're not in it for finishing second. Second or 15th is the same to us," Keselowski said. "I sped and ended up 15th. It had to be really close. If it would have worked out, I might have been able to win the race from it. It's just part of racing."

Now no one can accuse Team Penske of playing unfairly, and both drivers have a clear conscious as they prepare for the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship. Keselowski got his win at Las Vegas in March, and under NASCAR's new win-and-you're-in format, Team Penske should be assured of two spots in the 16-driver Chase field.

"It's absolutely huge," Keselowski said. "We haven't burned any of our team tests, and now that we've got both cars in the Chase, we can just burn through those on the Chase tracks. That's a pretty healthy advantage."

Penske management had been plotting testing strategy before Monday's race and wondered if the organization needed to go somewhere where Logano runs well in order to give him a strong chance at a victory. Now that he's got a win, they can test only at tracks that are in the 10-race Chase.

"Now that we're in the Chase, we can use these tests a little differently than what we were thinking," Logano said.

Through April 7
Points
1. Jeff Gordon, 259. 2. Matt Kenseth, 255. 3. Carl Edwards, 247. 4. Joey Logano, 235. 5. Kyle Busch, 231. 6. Dale Earnhardt Jr., 228. 7. Jimmie Johnson, 226. 8. Brad Keselowski, 218. 9. Brian Vickers, 205. 10. Paul Menard, 203.
11. Ryan Newman, 202. 12. Austin Dillon, 202. 13. Denny Hamlin, 197. 14. Tony Stewart, 189. 15. Kyle Larson, 187. 16. Greg Biffle, 187. 17. Clint Bowyer, 187. 18. Marcos Ambrose, 186. 19. Kasey Kahne, 178. 20. A.J. Allmendinger, 173.

Money
1. Dale Earnhardt Jr., $2,385,888. 2. Brad Keselowski, $2,148,249. 3. Denny Hamlin, $1,907,090. 4. Jeff Gordon, $1,878,700. 5. Joey Logano, $1,759,065. 6. Jimmie Johnson, $1,613,745. 7. Kyle Busch, $1,611,870. 8. Matt Kenseth, $1,546,358. 9. Paul Menard, $1,432,161. 10. Austin Dillon, $1,290,970.
11. Kevin Harvick, $1,282,489. 12. Carl Edwards, $1,267,368. 13. Ricky Stenhouse Jr., $1,259,283. 14. Greg Biffle, $1,258,093. 15. Tony Stewart, $1,246,879. 16. Brian Vickers, $1,237,533. 17. Kyle Larson, $1,223,348. 18. Jamie McMurray, $1,196,146. 19. Marcos Ambrose, $1,168,193. 20. Clint Bowyer, $1,134,560.

GOODLEY

From 1C

could help their football team.

That's plenty to think about, but Goodley doesn't let all that weigh him down. He uses it as fuel for his success.

"Knowing the feeling that I'm the district champion, everybody is gunning for me," Goodley said Wednesday at the MHS Fieldhouse. "I talk to people all the time, telling me how they are going to push even harder and people wanting me to lose."

Goodley hasn't lost much this season. In fact, the senior has won his last two meets in San Angelo and Lubbock. He won the Lubbock Invitational with a time 10.59 seconds, which is his seed time this week.

He is the district's top overall seed by one-tenth of a second.

Goodley is well aware that the top four finishers will advance to next week's District 1-5A/2-5A area meet, but he wants to defend his district title, and the key for him this spring has been staying healthy.

Goodley said he's backed off some of his workouts this spring as a hip flexor hurt his chances of advancing to state a year ago. Plus, he is no longer on the 800-meter relay team and is now running the 200 meters.

"My coach has been lax on what I run so I can stay healthy and so we can make sure we get as far as we can," Goodley said.

The goal for Goodley is to get to the state meet, and he will have to navigate one of the toughest regions in the state to do it. But he also knows if he can be part of the Class 5A 100-meter dash in Austin, he might catch the eye of a potential football coach as he hopes to continue his athletic career beyond high school.

"That's a big push for me," Goodley said. "I'm pushing it in track, and once I get to state, maybe I can talk to (schools) about playing football also."

Beyond his football aspirations, Goodley knows that he has a chance to continue Midland High's tradition at the district meet, and for now that will be enough.

"I want to break their records also," Goodley said. "Just trying to get to the top motivates me enough."

Follow Len on Twitter: @Len_Hayward_MRT

MISD Athletes to Watch
Boys
Midland High
Kaleb Slack, pole vault: Slack has been plenty consistent this season enters this week's meet as the top seeded vaulter.

Austin Watson, 800 meters: Watson is seeded second in this event and will certainly be in the mix to win.

Ruben Guerra, distance events: Guerra should earn a spot in next week's area meet, but he could find a way to win gold in this event.

Lee
Darrien Wallace, high jump: The Lee senior is among three athletes in this event who has a seed height of 6-6, and now it's a matter of getting the job done.

Girls
Midland High
Jimmiriyia Goodley, 200 meters: Goodley could be the Lady Bulldogs best shot at winning an event this week.

Lee
Bri'An Washington, long jump triple jump: Washington has medaled in both events this year, but will have her work cut out for her this week.

Ashley Rackow, long jump, triple jump: Rackow is seeded third in the long jump, and with a solid effort could be wearing gold.

District 2-5A Track & Field Championships
Today-Friday
Lowrey Field
Lubbock
Note: Top 4 advance to District 1-5A/2-5A Area Meet, scheduled for April 16-17 in Lubbock
Today's Schedule
Class 5A
Field Events
Noon — Girls Discus, Boys Shot Put
1 p.m. — Girls High jump, Boys Pole Vault
1:30 p.m. — Girls Long Jump (West pit); Boys Long Jump (East pit)
2:30 p.m. — Girls 3,200-meter run
3:10 p.m. — Boys 3,200-meter run
4:30 p.m. — Running Preliminaries
400-meter relay
Girls 100-meter hurdles
Boys 110-meter hurdles
100-meter dash
800-meter relay
400-meter dash
300-meter intermediate hurdles
200-meter dash
1,600-meter relay

Friday's Schedule
Field Events
Noon — Girls Shot Put; Boys Discus
1 p.m. — Girls Pole Vault; Boys High Jump
1:30 p.m. — Girls Triple Jump (West); Boys Triple Jump (East)
2:30 p.m. — Wheelchair Shot Put
Running Finals
4 p.m.
400-meter relay
800-meter run
Girls 100-meter hurdles
Boys 110-meter hurdles
100-meter dash
Wheel Chair
800-meter relay
400-meter run
300-meter intermediate hurdles
200-meter dash
1,600-meter runs
1,600-meter relay
Long Jump
Noon: Girls High Jump, Boys Discus
1 p.m. Boys Long Jump
Running Finals
Girls
4 p.m. 400-meter relay
4:25 p.m. 800-meter run
4:55 p.m. 100-meter hurdles
5:25 p.m. 100-meters dash
5:45 p.m. 800-meter relay
6:15 p.m. 400 meters
6:40 p.m. 300-meter hurdles
7:15 p.m. 200-meter dash
7:40 p.m. 800-meter run
8:20 p.m. 1,600-meter relay
Boys
4:10 p.m. 400-meter relay
4:40 p.m. 800-meter run
5:10 p.m. 100-meter hurdles
5:30 p.m. 100-meters dash
6 p.m. 800-meter relay
6:30 p.m. 400 meters
7 p.m. 300-meter hurdles
7:30 p.m. 200-meter dash
8:05 p.m. 1,600-meter run
8:20 p.m. 1,600-meter relay

District 4-3A Championships conclude today

From staff reports

BIG SPRING — The District 4-3A Track & Field Championships will conclude today at Memorial Stadium in Big Spring.

Field events are slated to begin at 11 a.m., and running finals will start at 4 p.m. with 400-meter relay

Preliminaries and some finals were run on Monday.

DISTRICT 4-3A TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS
Memorial Stadium
Big Spring
Today's Schedule
Field Events
11 a.m. Boys High Jump, Girls Discus, Girls Long Jump

Massachusetts basketball player announces he's gay

By Howard Ulman
Associated Press

Derrick Gordon had kept his secret for too long.

He couldn't be himself. He considered giving up the sport he loved. Because he was gay, he distanced himself from teammates.

"I was living life in shame," the UMass guard said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press. "It took a toll on me."

Gordon became the first openly gay player in Division I men's basketball on Wednesday, making the announcement on ESPN and Outsports. Now he hopes to inspire others in similar situations.

"It's crazy that I'm the first," he told the AP. "I didn't know that it would be this long, but if I'm the first, then I'll start it off."

Previous announcements by NBA player Jason Collins and Missouri All-American defensive end Michael Sam made his decision easier. Gordon said he talked with Collins several times before making his announcement.

"There was a time that I didn't want to play basketball anymore and that's the worst feeling ever," he said. "Right now I'm happy. I'm free just to live my life."

Gordon was the Minutemen's fourth-leading scorer with 9.4 points per game last season. UMass went 24-9 and reached the NCAA tournament for the first time since 1998. It lost its first game to Tennessee on March 21.

Nine days later Gordon told his parents, who have been supportive. The sophomore informed UMass coach Derek Kellogg the next day.

"He said it didn't matter. He's still going to love me for who I am," Gordon said. "He said 'It just might make you play a lot better next season than you did last season.' So we joked around a lot."

Two days later, he told his teammates at an emotional meeting. They, too, supported him.

Center Tyler Bergantino roomed with Gordon as freshmen.

"The fact that he's gay doesn't change anything," Bergantino said. "We didn't know he was gay before. We know he's gay now. But he's the exact same person."

Gordon said some teammates at the Amherst, Mass., school probably have known since last summer. He sat out the previous season after transferring from Western Kentucky to be closer to his family in New Jersey, where he played at high school powerhouse St. Patrick.

"They could sense it because I kind of separated myself from the team," Gordon said. "I didn't really hang out with them as far as going to parties and stuff. I really kind of kept to myself, kept quiet. We went on road trips — I'd sit by myself and they were always wondering why. I did it because I didn't want to put myself in a situation where maybe something happens and they end up finding out. Then what? I'm not going to know how to handle the situation."

Gordon held off making the announcement to keep from diverting attention from the NCAA tournaments, which ended Monday night for the men and Tuesday night for the women.

"I've been getting tons and tons of support," Gordon said. "I'm barely getting anything negative."

That may be coming, but he's confident he can handle it.

"I'm not too concerned about any away games in terms of the crowd. I have a tough skin for that," he said. "They can say whatever they want."

During the year he sat out, he considered giving up the sport but changed his mind "just because I don't want to feel like I can't be myself because our society doesn't accept it," Gordon said.

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they know the legacy that has been built by the teams we've had before," Schneemann said. "They know that that state meet is the main goal and anything less than a state championship is not ideal. I feel their success is also due to the fact that we have put a lot of emphasis into the extension of the offseason program."

The Mustangs are senior heavy this season and Schneemann said they are led by relay team members Elias Aguirre, Jarrod Koym, Kade Christensen, 100-meter runner Erwin Baquirin and pole vaulter Devin Nguyen.

Schneemann said all three relay teams — the 400, 800 and 1,600 — have a chance to do pretty well and that the 400 relay team has a chance to break the district record.

Like the boys, the Lady Mustangs are senior heavy and are led by Kami Berryhill, the defending state champion in the pole vault as well as Morgan Ashton, the defending state champion in the 300 hurdles and a strong high jumper. Schneemann said junior Kenzi McGraw also ranks top three in the state in the 100 meters.

The girls pole vault and the boys high jump are scheduled to begin at 3 p.m., while the running preliminaries are set for 4:30 p.m. today or 30 minutes after the conclusion of the field events at Wilford Moore Stadium. The rest of the field events will take place on Friday, beginning at 10 a.m., while the running finals will take place at 4:30 p.m. or one hour after the field events are concluded.

The TAPPS 4A state meet is scheduled for May 2-3 at Baylor University.

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Lamas sold to Mexican League before 6-game road trip

From staff reports

The Midland RockHounds announced a pair of roster moves on Wednesday, along with the team's pitching rotation for the team's upcoming six-game road trip.

The Oakland A's have sold the contract of infielder Antonio Lamas to the Mexican League, and infielder Colin Walsh was signed by the A's as a free agent and assigned to the RockHounds.

Midland (4-2) will begin a three-game series with the Arkansas Travelers today in North Little Rock, Ark., and Zach Neal will start today's game on the mound, with Tanner Peters starting on Friday and Raul Alcantara on Saturday.

The road trip will conclude against Northwest Arkansas as Chris Jenson will start on Sunday, Drew Granier next Monday and Zach Neal next Tuesday.

Midland finished its first homestand of the season with a 4-2 record, which included a three-game sweep of the Naturals.

TL standings

Second Half
North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arkansas	4	2	.667	—
Northwest Arkansas	4	2	.667	—
Tulsa	4	3	.333	2
Springfield	1	5	.167	3

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Corpus Christi	5	1	.833	—
Midland	4	2	.667	1
San Antonio	4	2	.667	1
Frisco	2	4	.333	3

Tuesday's Scores
Frisco 4, Arkansas 2
Corpus Christi 7, Springfield 6, 11 innings
Midland 20, Northwest Arkansas 8
San Antonio 5, Tulsa 3

Today's Games
No games scheduled

NBA GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Toronto	46	32	.590	—
x-Brooklyn	43	35	.551	3
New York	33	45	.423	13
Boston	23	55	.295	23
Philadelphia	17	61	.218	29

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Miami	53	25	.679	—
x-Charlotte	40	38	.513	13
x-Washington	40	38	.513	13
Atlanta	35	43	.449	18
Orlando	23	55	.295	30

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Indiana	54	25	.684	—
x-Chicago	46	32	.590	7½
Cleveland	32	47	.405	22
Detroit	29	50	.367	25
Milwaukee	14	64	.179	39½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-San Antonio	60	18	.769	—
x-Houston	52	25	.675	7½
Dallas	48	31	.608	12½
Memphis	46	32	.590	14
New Orleans	32	46	.410	28

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Oklahoma City	56	21	.727	—
x-Portland	50	28	.641	6½
Minnesota	39	39	.500	17½
Denver	33	44	.429	23
Utah	24	54	.308	32½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-L.A. Clippers	55	23	.705	—
Golden State	48	29	.623	6½
Phoenix	47	31	.603	8
Sacramento	27	51	.346	28
L.A. Lakers	25	53	.321	30

x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division

Wednesday's Scores
Orlando 115, Brooklyn 111
Charlotte 94, Washington 88, OT
Cleveland 122, Detroit 100
Toronto 125, Philadelphia 114
Atlanta 105, Boston 97
Chicago 102, Minnesota 87
Indiana 104, Milwaukee 102
Memphis 107, Miami 100
Phoenix 94, New Orleans 88
Houston at Denver, late
Sacramento at Portland, late
Oklahoma City at L.A. Clippers, late

Today's Games
San Antonio at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Denver at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY'S BOX SCORES

CAVALIERS 122, PISTONS 100

DETROIT (100): Singler 3-6 0-0 8, Monroe 7-18 1-1 15, Drummond 5-10 1-7 11, Jennings 5-17 6-8 17, Stuckey 4-14 7-7 15, Jerebko 5-11 3-3 17, Caldwell-Pope 1-7 0-0 2, Siva 2-8 0-0 5, Datome 2-3 4-4 9, Mitchell 0-2 1-2 1. Totals 34-96 23-32 100.

CLEVELAND (122): Deng 6-12 1-1 13, Thompson 5-6 0-1 10, Haven 6-8 0-0 15, Irving 3-6 2-2 8, Waiters 9-18 0-1 22, Jack 3-6 1-2 7, Varejao 5-8 1-2 11, Zeller 9-11 0-0 18, Delavedova 5-8 0-0 14. Gee 2-5 0-0 4, Karasev 0-1 0-0 0, Hopson 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 53-93 5-9 122.

Detroit	**18**	**19**	**33**	**30 — 100**
Cleveland	**31**	**38**	**30**	**24 — 122**

3-Point Goals—Detroit 9-28 (Jerebko 4-7, Singler 2-5, Datome 1-2, Siva 1-3, Jennings 1-6, Stuckey 0-2, Caldwell-Pope 0-3), Cleveland 11-26 (Delavedova 4-6, Waiters 3-5, Haven 2-3, Jack 1-1, Karasev 0-1, Irving 0-1, Hopson 0-2, Deng 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Detroit 61 (Drummond 14), Cleveland 54 (Varejao 12). Assists—Detroit 19 (Jennings 7), Cleveland 41 (Delavedova 12). Total Fouls—Detroit 12, Cleveland 24. A—15,979 (20,562).

BOBCATS 94, WIZARDS 88

CHARLOTTE (94): Kidd-Gilchrist 2-3 0-0 4, McRoberts 5-12 0-0 12, Jeffries 3-9 2-2 20, Walker 6-21 2-2 17, Henderson 4-9 2-2 13, Zeller 1-5 2-4 4, Neal 5-14 5-5 16, Douglas-Roberts 2-5 0-0 6, Ridnour 0-2 0-0 0, Biyombo 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 35-92 13-15 94.

WASHINGTON (88): Anza 0-6 0-2 0, Booker 4-5 8-8 16, Gortat 13-18 1-1 27, Wall 6-18 2-3 14, Beal 4-15 0-0 8, Webster 2-5 2-2 7, Nene 5-9 0-4 10, Miller 2-4 0-0 4, Godden 1-2 0-0 2, Temple 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-82 13-20 88.

Charlotte	**32**	**22**	**17**	**16 — 94**
Washington	**18**	**23**	**25**	**21 — 88**

3-Point Goals—Charlotte 11-25 (Henderson 3-3, Walker 3-6, Douglas-Roberts 2-4, McRoberts 2-8, Neal 1-4), Washington 1-15 (Webster 1-4, Wall 0-2, Anza 0-4, Beal 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Charlotte 58 (Jefferson 18), Washington 53 (Gortat 14). Assists—Charlotte 23 (Walker 12), Washington 23 (Wall 11). Total Fouls—Charlotte 17, Washington 15. A—17,784 (20,308).

RAPTORS 125, 76ERS 114

PHILADELPHIA (114): Thompson 3-8 0-0 8, Young 7-17 2-2 16, Sims 10-15 2-2 22, Carter-Williams 7-12 5-5 19, Anderson 6-14 0-0 17, Wroten 4-7 3-3 11, Varnado 2-3 2-4 6, Williams 4-9 2-2 11, Davies 1-2 2-3 4. Totals 44-85 18-21 114.

TORONTO (125): Ross 3-7 2-2 11, Patterson 7-11 0-2 17, Valanciunas 10-14 8-8 28, Lowry 9-19 9-9 29, DeRozan 4-14 9-10 17, Salmons 3-4 0-0 7, Hansbrough 2-4 3-4 7, Novak 0-1 0-0 0, Vasquez 2-3 0-2 5, De Colo 1-5 0-0 3, Hayes 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 41-82 31-37 125.

Philadelphia	**28**	**32**	**29**	**25 — 114**
Toronto	**34**	**36**	**30**	**27 — 125**

3-Point Goals—Philadelphia 8-21 (Anderson 5-7, Thompson 2-5, Williams 1-3, Young 0-6), Toronto 12-35 (Patterson 3-5, Ross 3-5, Vasquez 2-3, Lowry 2-7, Salmons 1-1, De Colo 1-2, Novak 0-1, DeRozan 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Philadelphia 45 (Carter-Williams 9), Toronto 46 (Valanciunas 12). Assists—Philadelphia 20 (Carter-Williams 8), Toronto 25 (Lowry 9). Total Fouls—Philadelphia 25, Toronto 18. A—18,789 (19,800).

MAGIC 118, NETS 111

BROOKLYN (111): Johnson 11-19 7-8 31, Teletovic 5-17 2-4 17, Garnett 2-2 1-1 5, Williams 3-14 4-4 11, Anderson 3-4 2-4 9, Plumlee 7-8 2-3 16, Thornton 3-8 6-6 13, Gutierrez 2-4 0-0 4, Kirilenko 2-3 1-2 5. Colins 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-79 25-34 111.

ORLANDO (115): Harkless 2-7 3-4 8, O'Quinn 6-9 1-2 13, Dedmon 2-3 0-1 4, Nelson 4-9 4-4 14, Affalo 9-16 5-8 25, Harris 6-10 3-5 16, Nicholson 4-7 1-2 9, Oladipo 4-8 1-4 9, Moore 6-6 0-0 17. Lamb 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 43-77 18-30 115.

Brooklyn	**22**	**21**	**35**	**33 — 111**
Orlando	**20**	**35**	**32**	**28 — 115**

3-Point Goals—Brooklyn 10-29 (Teletovic 5-12, Johnson 2-6, Anderson 1-2, Thornton 1-3, Williams 1-6), Orlando 11-24 (Moore 5-5, Affalo 2-5, Nelson 2-6, Harris 1-1, Harkless 1-3, Oladipo 0-2, Lamb 0-2). Fouled Out—Plumlee. Rebounds—Brooklyn 51 (Teletovic 9), Orlando 45 (Dedmon 9). Assists—Brooklyn 27 (Garnett 6), Orlando 26 (Nelson 7). Total Fouls—Brooklyn 23, Orlando 24. Technicals—Orlando defensive three second 2. A—16,085 (18,500).

HAWKS 106, CELTICS 97

BOSTON (97): Green 5-15 1-2 13, Bass 3-7 0-0 6, Sullinger 6-15 2-2 15, Rondo 5-13 1-3 19, Bradley 8-16 4-4 24, Bayless 2-5 0-0 5, Olynyk 2-5 0-0 5, Johnson 3-6 3-3 10, Pressey 0-0 0-0 0, Anthony 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-84 11-14 97.

ATLANTA (106): Sarror 6-13 1-2 13, Millsap 5-11 4-7 14, Brand 6-12 1-2 13, Teague 6-12 4-4 19, Korver 5-8 3-3 17, Scott 6-9 0-1 13, Mack 2-6 0-0 5, Williams 3-4 3-3 9, Muscala 1-1 0-0 2, Cunningham 3-7 0-0 6. Turiaf 5-7 1-1 11.

Jeffers 0-1 2-2 2. Stored 3-6 2-2 9. Totals 34-80 15-16 87

Chicago	**26**	**22**	**27**	**27 — 102**
Minnesota	**25**	**28**	**17**	**17 — 87**

3-Point Goals—Chicago 11-21 (Augustin 4-7, Butler 3-6, Hinrich 2-4, Dunleavy 2-4), Minnesota 4-17 (Love 2-8, Rubio 1-2, Shved 1-3, Jefferson 0-1, Hummel 0-1, C.Brewer 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Chicago 47 (Noah 13), Minnesota 44 (Love 12). Assists—Chicago 29 (Noah 10), Minnesota 16 (Rubio 6). Total Fouls—Chicago 18, Minnesota 14. Technicals—Gibson, Minnesota Coach Adelman. A—13,447 (19,356).

SUNS 94, PELICANS 88

PHOENIX (94): Tucker 6-9 3-4 15, Frye 2-8 0-0 4, Plumlee 1-2 0-0 2, Bledsoe 7-13 1-2 16, Dragic 8-14 2-2 20, Mark Morris 5-12 0-0 10, Green 8-14 1-2 21, Randolph 0-0 0-0 0, Marc Morris 2-8 0-0 6. I.Smith 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-80 7-10 94.

NEW ORLEANS (88): Miller 5-9 3-3 14, Aminu 2-8 0-0 5, Stiemsma 2-6 0-0 4, Roberts 1-8 0-0 2, Evans 4-11 1-2 10, Rivers 4-12 2-4 10, Morrow 5-8 3-3 14. Whiteside 1-3 0-3 2. Babbitt 4-8 2-2 12. Totals 34-80 14-17 88

Phoenix	**23**	**24**	**24**	**23 — 94**
New Orleans	**14**	**32**	**18**	**24 — 88**

3-Point Goals—Phoenix 9-19 (Dragic 2-3, Marc Morris 2-3, Bledsoe 1-2, Tucker 0-1, Frye 0-3), New Orleans 6-14 (Babbitt 2-3, Morrow 1-1, Aminu 1-1, Evans 1-2, Miller 1-4, Rivers 0-1, Roberts 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Phoenix 45 (Tucker 9), New Orleans 48 (Stiemsma, Evans 8). Assists—Phoenix 23 (Dragic 9), New Orleans 25 (Rivers 8). Total Fouls—Phoenix 18, New Orleans 17. Technicals—Green A—16,256 (17,188).

PACERS 104, BUCKS 102

INDIANA (104): Butler 3-14 2-4 10, Scola 11-17 2-2 24, Mahinmi 1-1 1-2 3, Stoun 4-11 0-2 8, Turner 9-18 2-3 23, S.Hill 0-2 2-2 2, Allen 3-9 2-4 8. Watson 3-5 0-0 8, Copeland 7-8 0-0 18. Totals 41-85 11-19 104.

MILWAUKEE (102): Middleton 6-14 3-3 16, Adrien 6-14 1-2 13, Pachulia 8-10 3-4 15, Knight 8-21 9-12 25, Sessions 8-15 6-7 20, Henson 3-5 1-1 7, Antetokounmpo 1-4 0-0 2, Wright 2-4 0-0 4. Totals 36-87 22-29 102.

Indiana	**25**	**28**	**19**	**32 — 104**
Milwaukee	**25**	**25**	**17**	**35 — 102**

3-Point Goals—Indiana 11-24 (Copeland 4-5, Turner 3-4, Watson 2-2, Butler 2-10, Stoun 0-1, S.Hill 0-2), Milwaukee 4-16 (Sessions 2-3, Middleton 1-5, Knight 1-7, Antetokounmpo 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Indiana 51 (Scola 9), Milwaukee 57 (Adrien 17). Assists—Indiana 26 (Turner 9), Milwaukee 21 (Knight 10). Total Fouls—Indiana 24, Milwaukee 20. A—13,139 (18,717).

GRIZZLIES 107, HEAT 102

MIAMI (102): James 14-23 6-7 37, Batter 3-6 0-0 9, Bosh 6-14 0-0 13, Chalmers 5-10 2-2 12, Douglas 0-2 0-0 0, Lewis 5-8 3-3 17. R.Allen 2-4 0-0 6, Cole 1-4 0-0 3, Hamilton 2-2 0-0 5. Totals 38-73 11-12 102.

MEMPHIS (107): Johnson 1-5 3-4 5, Randolph 12-15 0-1 25, Gasol 8-16 4-7 20, Conley 10-18 3-4 26, Lee 7-11 1-1 18, T.Allen 3-7 0-0 6, Koufos 0-1 2-2 2, Calathes 1-1 0-0 2, Miller 0-2 0-0 0. Davis 1-2 1-2 3. Totals 49-90 14-21 107.

Miami	**32**	**26**	**22**	**22 — 102**
Memphis	**31**	**23**	**26**	**27 — 107**

3-Point Goals—Miami 15-25 (Lewis 4-6, Batter 3-5, James 3-5, R.Allen 2-4, Hamilton 1-1, Cole 1-1, Bosh 1-3), Memphis 7-20 (Lee 3-5, Conley 3-7, Randolph 1-2, Johnson 0-2, Miller 0-2, T.Allen 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Miami 51 (James, Bosh 8), Memphis 47 (Gasol 14). Assists—Miami 24 (James, Douglas, Cole 5), Memphis 23 (Conley 8). Total Fouls—Miami 17, Memphis 19. A—18,119 (18,119).

MLBROUNDUP

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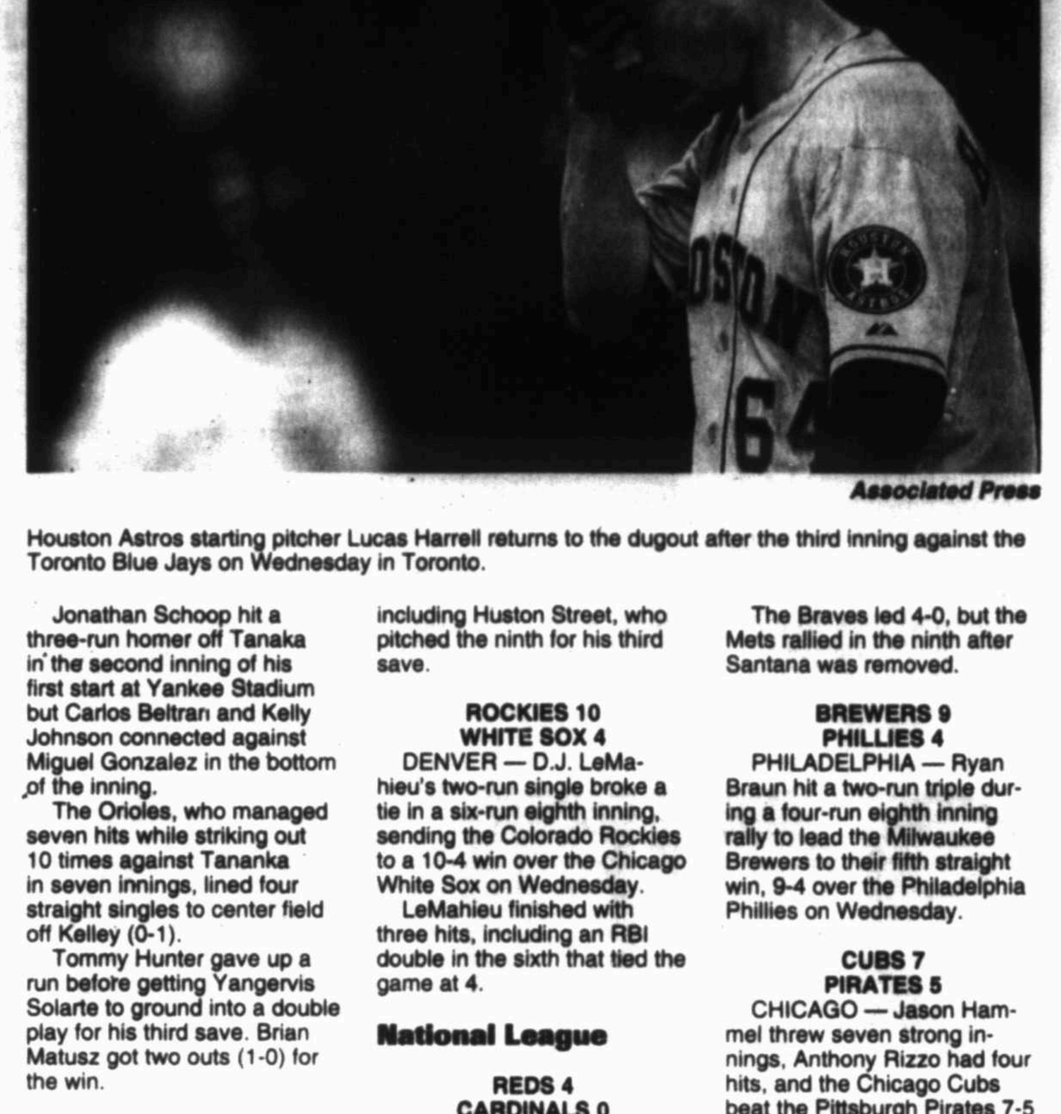
American League

BLUE JAYS 7
ASTROS 3

TORONTO — Brett Lawrie hit a two-run homer, Brandon Morrow won for the first time in almost 11 months and the Toronto Blue Jays beat the Houston Astros 7-3 on Wednesday night.

Alex Presley hit a two-run homer for the Astros, who have lost six of seven following a 2-0 start.

Morrow (1-1), limited to 10 starts last season with a nerve injury in his forearm, won for the first time since May 23, 2013, when he beat Baltimore. He allowed three runs and five hits in six innings, walked one and struck out nine.



Associated Press

Houston Astros starting pitcher Lucas Harrell returns to the dugout after the third inning against the Toronto Blue Jays on Wednesday in Toronto.

ATHLETICS 7
TWINS 4

MINNEAPOLIS — Jim Johnson struggled again. The Oakland Athletics picked up their new closer with a strong finish.

Derek Norris hit a three-run homer in the 11th inning, and the A's bounced back from another blown save by Johnson to beat the Minnesota Twins 7-4 on Wednesday.

"When someone doesn't come through the next guy comes up and fills in for him. ... It's a nice chemistry we have here for that to happen," Norris said.

ROYALS 7
RAYS 3

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The Royals' Alex Gordon knew he put a good swing on the pitch, and he knew that his high fly ball had a chance to clear the outfield wall the way the wind was gusting out.

He just wasn't sure until the ball finally disappeared.

Gordon's three-run shot, the first home run by Kansas City this season, highlight a five-run fifth inning Wednesday, and carried the Royals to a 7-3 victory over the Tampa Bay Rays.

"This is a big park. We're never going to hit a lot of home runs here," Gordon said. "I hit it pretty good, but in this park you never know. Luckily I caught it enough."

ORIOLES 5
YANKEES 4

NEW YORK — Nick Markakis had an RBI single in the ninth inning against fill-in closer Shawn Kelley, and the Baltimore Orioles rallied for a 5-4 victory Wednesday night over the New York Yankees after wasting a three-run lead against Masahiro Tanaka.

Jonathan Schoop hit a three-run homer off Tanaka in the second inning of his first start at Yankee Stadium but Carlos Beltran and Kelly Johnson connected against Miguel Gonzalez in the bottom of the inning.

The Orioles, who managed seven hits while striking out 10 times against Tananka in seven innings, lined four straight singles to center field off Kelley (0-1).

Tommy Hunter gave up a run before getting Yangervis Solarte to ground into a double play for his third save. Brian Matusz got two outs (1-0) for the win.

Interleague

First Game
INDIANS 2
PADRES 0
Second Game
PADRES 2
INDIANS 1

CLEVELAND — Robbie Erlin allowed one run in six innings and Chase Headley's single in the sixth drove in the go-ahead run, leading the San Diego Padres to a 2-1 win over the Cleveland Indians and a split of Wednesday's doubleheader.

Cleveland's pitching dominated a 2-0 victory in the first game. Zach McAllister pitched 7 2-3 scoreless innings and Jason Kipnis hit a two-run homer in the sixth.

Erlin (1-0) held the Indians to four hits, struck out six and didn't walk a batter. Three relievers blanked the Indians, including Huston Street, who pitched the ninth for his third save.

ROCKIES 10
WHITE SOX 4

DENVER — D.J. LeMahieu's two-run single broke a tie in a six-run eighth inning, sending the Colorado Rockies to a 10-4 win over the Chicago White Sox on Wednesday.

LeMahieu finished with three hits, including an RBI double in the sixth that tied the game at 4.

National League

REDS 4
CARDINALS 0

ST. LOUIS — The pop fly cleared the infield by about 20-25 feet. Billy Hamilton's teammates have seen his legs in action, but figured he'd stay put at third.

"We didn't even think there would be a chance he would go," catcher Devin Mesoraco said after the Cincinnati Reds' 4-0 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals on Wednesday. "As an outfielder, I'm sure you don't expect anybody to go on that play.

BRAVES 4
METS 3

ATLANTA — Ervin Santana allowed only three hits over eight scoreless innings in his Atlanta debut, Jason Heyward homered and drove in two runs and the Braves held off the New York Mets 4-3 on Wednesday night.

The Braves led 4-0, but the Mets rallied in the ninth after Santana was removed.

BREWERS 9
PHILLIES 4

PHILADELPHIA — Ryan Braun hit a two-run triple during a four-run eighth inning rally to lead the Milwaukee Brewers to their fifth straight win, 9-4 over the Philadelphia Phillies on Wednesday.

CUBS 7
PIRATES 5

CHICAGO — Jason Hammel threw seven strong innings, Anthony Rizzo had four hits, and the Chicago Cubs beat the Pittsburgh Pirates 7-5 on Wednesday night despite allowing five solo home runs.

NATIONALS 10
MARLINS 7

WASHINGTON — Jayson Werth hit a go-ahead grand slam in the eighth inning off Carlos Marmol after Bryce Harper's upper-deck, three-run homer started a comeback from an early deficit, and the Washington Nationals beat the Miami Marlins 10-7 Wednesday night.

Werth and Harper each delivered his first homer of the season as Washington overcame deficits of 5-0 and 7-6 in a topsy-turvy game. Werth's shot off Marmol (0-1) came with one out, after the reliever allowed a single, hit a batter, then intentionally walked Anthony Rendon to load the bases.

MLB STANDINGS, BOXES AND LINESCORES

STANDINGS
AMERICAN LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	5	4	.556	—
Tampa Bay	5	5	.500	½
Baltimore	5	4	.444	1
Boston	5	5	.444	1
New York	4	5	.444	1

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	4	2	.667	—
Cleveland	5	4	.556	½
Kansas City	4	4	.500	1
Chicago	4	5	.444	1½
Minnesota	3	5	.375	2

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	6	3	.714	—
Oakland	5	3	.625	½
Texas	4	5	.444	2
Los Angeles	3	5	.375	2½
Houston	3	6	.333	3

Wednesday's Scores
Cleveland 2, San Diego 0, 1st game
Oakland 7, Minnesota 4, 11 innings
Kansas City 7, Tampa Bay 3
Colorado 10, Chicago White Sox 4
San Diego 2, Cleveland 1, 2nd game
Boston 4, Texas 2
Baltimore 5, N.Y. Yankees 4
Toronto 7, Houston 3
Detroit at L.A. Dodgers, late
L.A. Angels at Seattle, late

Today's Games
Oakland (Straily 0-1) at Minnesota (Pelfrey 0-1), 12:10 p.m.
Boston (Buchholz 0-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Pineda 0-1), 6:05 p.m.
Houston (Keuchel 0-1) at Toronto (Dickey 1-1), 6:07 p.m.
Cleveland (Salazar 0-0) at Chicago White Sox (Danks 0-0), 7:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	6	2	.750	—
Atlanta	5	2	.625	1
Miami	5	4	.556	1½
New York	3	5	.375	3
Philadelphia	3	5	.375	3

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	6	2	.750	—
Pittsburgh	5	3	.625	1
St. Louis	5	4	.556	1½
Chicago	3	5	.375	3
Cincinnati	3	6	.333	3½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	6	2	.750	—
Los Angeles	6	3	.667	½
Colorado	5	5	.500	2
San Diego	3	6	.333	3½
Arizona	2	8	.200	5

Wednesday's Scores
Cleveland 2, San Diego 0, 1st game
Cincinnati 4, St. Louis 0
Colorado 10, Chicago White Sox 4
San Diego 2, Cleveland 1, 2nd game
Washington 10, Miami 7
Milwaukee 9, Philadelphia 4
Atlanta 4, N.Y. Mets 3
Chicago Cubs 7, Pittsburgh 5
Detroit at L.A. Dodgers, late
Arizona at San Francisco, late

Today's Games
Pittsburgh (Cole 1-0) at Chicago Cubs (T.Wood 0-1), 1:20 p.m.
Miami (Koehler 1-0) at Washington (Strasburg 0-1), 3:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Estrada 0-0) at Philadelphia (Lee 2-0), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Mejia 1-0) at Atlanta (Hale 0-0), 6:10 p.m.
Arizona (Delgado 0-1) at San Francisco (Vogelsong 0-0), 9:15 p.m.

AL WEST BOXES
RED SOX 4, RANGERS 2

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	Boston	ab	r	h	bi
Choo rf	2	0	1	0	JGoms rf	2	0	0	0
Andrus ss	4	1	1	0	Pirphrs ph	1	0	1	0
Fielder dh	4	0	0	0	Suzem pr-cf	0	0	0	0
Rios rf	2	0	1	1	Pedroia 2b	4	1	1	0
Morlnd 1b	4	1	1	0	D Ortiz dh	4	2	3	2
DMrph 2b	4	0	0	0	Napoli 1b	3	0	3	0
LMartn cf	4	0	1	0	Bogarts ss	2	0	0	0
Chirnns c	2	0	0	0	Nava rf-lf	3	0	0	0
Adduc ph	1	0	0	0	RRorts 3b	2	0	0	0
JoWlsn 3b	2	0	0	0	Carp ph	1	0	0	0
Kzmrff ph-3b	1	0	1	0	JHerrr 3b	0	0	0	0
D Ross c	3	0	0	0					
Brdlyr cf-rf	0	2	0	0					
Totals	**30**	**2**	**5**	**2**	**Totals**	**25**	**4**	**4**	**3**

Texas	**000**	**000**	**110**	**—2**
Boston	**001**	**000**	**03x**	**—4**

E—R.Ross (1). DP—Texas 3. LOB—Texas 6, Boston 4. 2B—Choo (2), Andrus (2), D.Ortiz (2). HR—Morelend (1), D.Ortiz (2). SB—Rios (2). CS—Choo (1), Bogaerts (1). SF—Rios.

Texas	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
R.Ross	5 1-3	2	1	0	6	4
Ogando L,0-1	2	1	2	2	1	4
Colls BS,2-2	2-3	1	1	1	0	1
Boston						
Peavy	6 2-3	3	1	1	4	8
Tazawa	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
A.Miller W,1-0	1	1	0	0	0	1
Uehara S,2-2	1	0	0	0	0	1

T—2:57. A—33,585 (37,071).

BLUE JAYS 7, ASTROS 3

Houston	ab	r	h	bi	Toronto	ab	r	h	bi
Fowler cf	3	1	1	0	MeCarr lf	5	1	2	0
Presley rf	4	1	1	2	Izturis 2b	3	2	2	1
JCastro c	4	0	1	0	Diaz ss	1	0	0	0
Altuve 2b	4	1	1	0	Bautist rf	4	2	1	1
Carter dh	4	0	0	1	Encrnc 1b	4	0	0	0
Krauss 1b	4	0	2	0	Lind dh	3	0	1	1
MDmn 3b	4	0	0	0	Navarr c	4	1	2	1
Grssmn lf	3	0	0	0	Lawrie 3b	4	1	1	2
Villar ss	3	0	0	0	Reams cf	3	0	1	0
Goins se-2b	3	0	0	0					
Totals	**33**	**3**	**6**	**3**	**Totals**	**34**	**7**	**10**	**6**

Houston	**000**	**003**	**000**	**—3**
Toronto	**200**	**030**	**20x**	**—7**

E_M.Dominguez 2 (2). DP_Houston 1. LOB—Houston 4, Toronto 8. 2B—Bautista (1), Navarro (4), Reamus (3). 3B_Altuve (1). HR—Presley (2), Lawrie (1). SB—Mk.Cabrera (1), Navarro (1).

Houston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Harrell L,0-2	4 1-3	7	5	4	3	2
Williams	1 1-3	0	0	0	2	1
Zeid	2 1-3	3	2	2	0	3
Toronto						
Morrow W,1-1	6	5	3	3	1	9
Wagner	2	0	0	0	0	3
Delabar	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Rogers	2-3	1	0	0	0	1

T—3:09. A—13,569 (49,282).

ATHLETICS 7, TWINS 4

Oakland	ab	r	h	bi	Minnesota	ab	r	h	bi
Fuld cf	4	1	0	0	Dozier 2b	5	1	1	2
Lowrie ss	3	1	0	0	Mauer 1b	4	0	2	0
Dnldsn 3b	5	1	2	1	Plouffe 3b	6	0	2	0
Moss 1b	5	1	2	1	Colabll dh	5	0	0	0
Barton 1b	0	1	0	0	Kubel lf	5	2	4	1
Cespds lf	5	0	1	0	KSuzuk c	4	1	0	0
Callasp dh	4	1	2	1	Hrmnn rf	5	0	1	0
Jaso c	3	0	0	0	A Hicks cf	4	0	1	0
DNorrs ph-c	2	1	1	3	Flormn ss	2	0	0	0
Reddck rf	5	0	0	0	Pinto ph	1	0	0	0
Sogard 2b	2	0	0	0	EEscor ss	2	0	2	1
Punto ph-2b	2	0	0	0					
Totals	**39**	**7**	**7**	**7**	**Totals**	**43**	**4**	**13**	**4**

Oakland	**400**	**000**	**000**	**03—7**
Minnesota	**010**	**000**	**012**	**00—4**

DP—Oakland 1. Minnesota 1. LOB—Oakland 5, Minnesota 11. 2B—Donaldson 2 (3), Cespedes (3). HR_D.Norris (2), Dozier (2), Kubel (1). SF—Dozier.

Oakland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
J.Chavez	7	6	1	1	0	9
Doolittle	1-3	2	1	1	0	1
Gregerson	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
S.Johnson	1-3	2	2	2	0	1
Otero W,1-0 BS,1-1	1 2-3	3	0	0	2	1
Minnesota						
Hughes	5	5	4	4	3	3
Thielbar	2	0	0	0	0	3
Swarzak	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	1
Duensing	2-3	0	0	0	0	1
Perkins H,1	1	0	0	0	1	2
Burton L,0-1	1	2	3	3	1	2

T—3:41. A—22,973 (39,021).

TUESDAY'S LINESCORES
AMERICAN LEAGUE
ROYALS 7, RAYS 3

Tampa Bay	**000**	**100**	**002**	**—3 6 1**
Kansas City	**000**	**250**	**00x**	**—7 10 0**

Odorizzi, B.Gomes (6), Beliveau (7), C.Ramos (8) and Hanigan; Guthrie, Crow (8), K.Herrera (9) and S.Perez. W—Guthrie 2-0. L—Odorizzi 1-1. HRs—Tampa Bay, De.Jennings (1). Kansas City, A.Gordon (1).

ORIOLES 5, YANKEES 4

Baltimore	**000**	**000**	**002**	**—5 12 0**
New York	**000**	**200**	**100**	**—4 10 1**

M.Gonzalez, Meek (7), Matusz (8), Tom. Hunter (9) and Wieters; Tanaka, Thornton (8), Warren (8), Kelley (9) and McCann. W—Matusz 1-0. L—Kelley 0-1. Sv—Tom.Hunter (3). HRs—Baltimore, Schoop (1). New York, Beltran (1). K.Johnson (2).

INTERLEAGUE
First Game
INDIANS 2, PADRES 0

San Diego	**000**	**000**	**000**	**—0 6 1**
Cleveland	**000**	**002**	**00x**	**—2 5 0**

Stults, Vincent (6), A.Torres (7) and Hundley. McAllister, All

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	C					6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID	ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Shark Tank (N)		Grey's Anatomy "I'm Winning" (N)		Scandal "Flesh and Blood" (N)		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live	Seth MacFarlane (:35) News Nightline
KOSA	CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	The Big Bang (N)	Millers (N)	Two and Half (N)	The Crazy Ones (N)	Elementary "No Lack of Void" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) Masters (:50)	David Letterman (:50) Late Late
KWWT	CW	5	14	·	5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Gilligan's Island	Gilligan's Island	Hogan's Heroes	F Troop	Rhoda	Rhoda	Twilight Zone	Perry Mason	Untouchables
KPEJ	FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Hell's Kitchen "15 Chefs Compete" (N)		American Idol (N)	Surviving Jack (N)	Modern Family	Modern Family	The Arsenio Hall Show		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
KMLM	IND	11	11	12	11	11	Dr. Rik Wedge	Rocks/Manuscripts	Update News	Fruits of Zion	Light of the Southwest				Joe McGee	Matt Staver	Called Out	Biblical Israel
KWES	NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News/West 9 at 6 p.m.		Community (N)	Parks and Rec (N)	Hollywood Game Night		Parenthood "I'm Still Here" (N)		News-West 9	(:35) The Tonight Show	(:35) Late Night
KPBT	PBS	13	13	·	13	8	PBS NewsHour		Parks and Wildlife	Sesame Mile	The Bletchley Circle		Antiques Rd. "Kansas City (Hour Two)"		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
KUPB	UNI	4	4	·	4	16	De Que Te Quiero Te Quiero		Por Siempre Mi Amor		Lo Que La Vida Me Robo		Que Pobres Tan Ricos		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Una familia con suerte	
KOSA	MNT	16	16	·	16		Fam.Feud	Million..	House "Unwritten"		House		My News	Million..	30 Rock	Sunny	Access H.	Insider
FLIX		340	65	·	165		(5:25) Betty's Wed...		The Importance of Being E...		(:35) ★★★ Nicholas Nickleby		Charlie Hunnam.				★★★ Dick Tracy	
HBO		300	60	14	14	·	(5:30) ★★★★ Pitch Perfect		24/ 7	Veep	Silicon		Game of Thrones		Sex Toys	Hopes	Silicon	Vice
HBO2		302	69	15	101	23	(6:50) The Outdorsm...		A Good Day to Die Hard		FaceOff		★★ Dark Shadows Johnny Depp.			24/ 7	Movie	
HBOS		304	70	16	102	·	(5:05) Promised La...		Deadwood		Game of Thrones		Bill Maher		Veep		★★ Battleship Taylor Kitsch.	
MAX		380	71	17	120	24	(4:30) Cinderella...		★★ Me, Myself and Irene Jim Carrey.				★★ Jack the Giant Slayer Nicholas Hoult.			(:55) Co-Ed 4Play.		
MAX2		382	72	18	122	·	★★ New Year's Eve Sarah Jessica Parker.				★★★ Heat ('95, Cri) Robert De Niro, Al Pacino.				(:50) The East Ellen Page.			
PLEX				96	·	·	(5:20) ★★ Scorched		★★★★ Paper Moon				(:40) ★★★ Chaplin ('92, Bio) Robert Downey Jr..			(:15) Graffiti Brid..		
SHOW		320	66	19	140	25	Movie		★★ Diary of a Mad Black Woman				Lies		Shameless "Lazarus"	Penn &..	★★ Saw II Donnie Wahlberg.	
TMC		396	67	22	155	26	(5:25) Boys & Girls		★★★★ Silver Linings Playbook						(:05) ★★ Nurse Betty Renée Zellweger.		★★ Beauty Shop	
A&E		27	32	28	35	47	First 48 "The Tender Trap/ Bait and Switch"		The First 48		The First 48 "The Rookie/ Cornered" (N)		Beyond Scared Straight (N)		Scared "St. Clair, IL Precious Time"		The First 48	
AMC		40	21	23	42	51	(4:00) ★ Die Hard		★★★★ Blazing Saddles Gene Wilder.				★★ Heat of Kin ('85, Cri) Patrick Swayze.				Movie	
BET		58	26	·	40	·	Game	The Game	Celebration of Gospel "2014"				Being "Blindsided"		Being "Uber Love"		Wendy "Divergent"	
BRAVO		65	63	·	41	·	Housewives Atlanta		Millionaire (N)		Millionaire		Online Dating Ritual		Watch (N)	Housewives Atlanta		Million
CNBC		46	45	·	39	72	The Profit		The Profit		American Greed		American Greed		The Profit		'$ Talks "Black Eye'	
CNN		43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Chicagoland		Chicagoland (N)		A. Cooper 360		Chicagoland	
DISC		50	20	31	24	42	Lords of Car Hoards		Lords of Car Hoards		Fast N' Loud		Fast N' Loud		Rods N' Wheels		Fast N' Loud	
DISNEY		56	27	36	25	36	Jessie	Austin	★ Teen Beach Movie		DogBlog		(:10) A.N.Y.	(:35) Austin	GoodLuck	Jessie	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
ESPN		32	29	48	31	30	(2:00) Golf	SportsC.	PGA Golf Masters Round 1 Site: Augusta National Golf Club						SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2		34	28	49	32	31	Hockey	SportsNation	NCAA Hockey Division I Tournament N. Dak./Min. (L)						Olbermann (L)		Olbermann	
FAMILY		53	54	34	42	33	(5:30) ★★★ The Sandlot		★★ The Rookie ('02, Fam) Dennis Quaid.						The 700 Club		Fresh P.	Fresh P.
FNC		45	58	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD		64	59	27	68	54	Chopped		Chopped		Chopped Canada		Beat Flay	Beat Flay	Diners...	Diners...	Chopped Canada	
FSSW		37	43	50	45	29	(5:00) Champions Tennis		SportsDay OnAir	H.S. Basketball UIL State Championship			H.S. Basketball UIL State Championship 2A Ponder vs. Tatum		Outdoors outhwest	SportsDay OnAir	Spotlight	
FX		31	31	59	64	69	(4:30) ★ Transformers: Dark of the Moon				StGeorge	Anger M.	★★★★ Transformers: Dark of the Moon ('11, Act) Shia LaBeouf.					
HALLMARK		54	49	58	·	34	Waltons "The Gypsies"		Waltons "The Deed"		Middle	Middle	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV		63	50	26	48	44	House	HouseH	Rehab	Rehab	Rehab	Rehab	HouseH	House (N)	HouseH	House	Rehab	Rehab
HISTORY		71	62	29	50	43	Pwn Star	Pawn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pawn (N)	Pawn (N)	Vikings (N)			Vikings "Blood Eagle"	Pwn Star	Pwn Star
LIFETIME		28	25	25	28	48	Under the Gunn "The Benefit of Fashion"		Under the Gunn "Superhero Fashion"		Under the Gunn "Finale" (5F) (N)		★★ The Stepfather (2009, Thriller) Sela Ward, Penn Badgley, Dylan Walsh.				Under the Gunn "Superhero Fashion"	
MSNBC		47	51	·	49	73	Hardball		All In With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
NBCSN		38	39	·	·	·	Mecum	NHL Live!	NHL Hockey St. Louis Blues vs. Minnesota Wild (L)				Overtime		FIFA Soccer China vs. United States (L)			
NICK		55	34	39	34	37	Sponge	Sam & Cat	Inst.Mom	See Dad	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE		30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Impact Wrestling				Ink Master		Cops	Cops
SYFY		66	64	41	57	67	(5:00) ★★★ Stardust	Sienna Miller.			★★★ Men in Black Will Smith.				★★★★ Infestation	Chris Marquette.		
TBS		25	11	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan Cobie Smulders, Terry Crews		Pete Holmes	Conan
TCM		41	61	24	63	66	(4:30) ★ Dragon Seed		★★★ Young at Heart Frank Sinatra.						(:15) ★★ A Man Called Adam		(:15) ★ The Bad & t..	
TELE		20	8	10	20	·	Caso cerrado		La impostora		En otra piel		Camella la texana		Al rojo	(:35) Titular.	En otra piel	
TLC		51	33	32	38	52	Worst Tattoo (N)	Worst Tattoos	Gypsy Wedd "A Love Worth Fighting For"		Wedding "Murphy's Secret Village"		Worst Tattoo (N)	Worst Tattoos	My Big Fat American Gypsy Wedding (N)		Worst Tattoos	Worst Tattoos
TNT		24	23	40	26	50	Castle "A Dance With Death"		NBA Basketball San Antonio Spurs vs. Dallas Mavericks Site: American Airlines Center -- Dallas, Texas (L)						NBA Basketball Denver Nuggets vs. Golden State Warriors Site: The Oracle -- Oakland, Calif. (L)			
TVLAND		49	48	35	54	35	Gilligan	(:35) Gilligan	Gilligan	(:50) Ray	(:25) Loves Ray		Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA		26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Gone"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Valentine's Day"		Suits "No Way Out" (SF) (N)		(:05) Sirens (N)	(:35) Modern	(:05) Modern	(:35) Modern	(:05) Suits "No Way Out"	
WGN		19	18	·	·	·	America's Funniest Home Videos		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Parks and Rec	Parks and Rec

The anticipation and mystery of the Masters

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — A quick stroll across the manicured landscape of Augusta National afforded a glimpse of why this Masters is so hard to figure out.

On the putting green in a quiet moment of practice was 20-year-old Jordan Spieth, one of a record 24 newcomers who has every reason to believe he can win. On the golf course for the final day of practice was Webb Simpson, a former U.S. Open champion and one of 21 players who have captured the last 24 majors.

And under the oak tree outside the clubhouse was Miguel Angel Jimenez, the 50-year-old Spaniard trying to make sense of it all.

He recalled his first Masters in 1995, when Seve Ballesteros and Jose Maria Olazabal shared secrets to Augusta National, such as keeping the ball in the right spots on the green and "to realize here that the target is not the hole."

"The more you play, the more you like, no?" Jimenez said as he leaned against his golf bag, looking relaxed as ever behind his aviator sunglasses.

But as he considered the rookies he dismissed the notion that experience was required for a green jacket.

"There are 24 guys here for the first time," he said. "But there's a reason they are here, no?"

Out of golf until the summer because of back surgery, out of the Masters for the first time in his career, the show goes on.

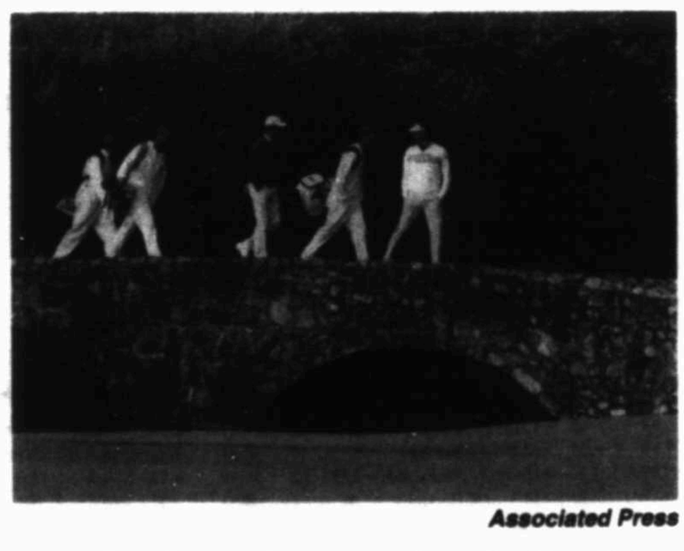
"Well, we miss Tiger, as does the entire golf world," Masters chairman Billy Payne said. "He is always a threat to make a run and do well and win here at Augusta National. ... Nevertheless, this is the Masters. This is what we hope is the best tournament in the world, one of the greatest sporting events. And I think we will have a very impressive audience and have another great champion to crown this year."

The course closed for practice Wednesday afternoon, and a stream of fans made their way over to the Par 3 Tournament, where occasional cheers broke the silence. It was a precursor of what was sure to follow over the next four days at a major that rarely fails to deliver drama.

Even without Woods.

"It's probably the most anticipated week of the year," Rory McIlroy said. "It's been eight months since we've had a major. It's Augusta. ... There's a lot of guys that seem like once they drive up Magnolia Lane here, something lights up inside them."

That could be Phil Mickelson, who last year won the British Open at age 42 and now has a chance to join Woods and Arnold Palmer with a fourth green jacket. It could be Adam Scott, trying to join Woods, Nick Faldo and Jack Nicklaus as the only back-to-back winners.



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Golfers Webb Simpson, third from left, Brandt Snedeker, third from right, Bubba Watson, right, and their caddies cross the Byron Nelson Bridge after teeing off on the 13th hole during a practice round for the Masters golf tournament Wednesday in Augusta, Ga.

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6,925 yards
Par 72
Thursday-Friday

6:45 a.m.-6:52 a.m. — Stewart Cink, Tim Clark.
6:36 a.m.-10:03 a.m. — Ian Woosnam, John Huh, Kevin Stadler.
7:07 a.m.-10:14 a.m. — Ben Crenshaw, Y.E. Yang, Jonas Blixt.
7:18 a.m.-10:25 a.m. — Matt O'Meara, Steven Bowditch, a-Jordan Niebrugge.
7:29 a.m.-10:36 a.m. — John Senden, Boo Weekley, David Lynn.
7:40 a.m.-10:47 a.m. — Craig Stadler, Scott Stallings, Martin Kaymer.
7:51 a.m.-11:09 a.m. — Tom Watson, Billy Horschel, Brendon de Jonge.
8:02 a.m.-11:20 a.m. — Mike Weir, Matt Every, Robert Castro.
8:13 a.m.-11:31 a.m. — Angel Cabrera, Gary Woodland, Ian Poulter.
8:24 a.m.-11:42 a.m. — Fred Couples, Webb Simpson, a-Chang-woo Lee.
8:35 a.m.-11:53 a.m. — Graeme McDowell, Rickie Fowler, Jimmy Walker.
8:57 a.m.-12:04 p.m. — Zach Johnson, K.J. Choi, Steve Stricker.
9:08 a.m.-12:15 p.m. — Miguel Angel Jimenez, Bill Haas, Matteo Manassero.
9:19 a.m.-12:26 p.m. — Hideki Matsuyama, Brandt Snedeker, Jamie Donaldson.
9:30 a.m.-12:37 p.m. — Chan Schwartzel, Jim Furyk, Thorbjorn Olesen.
9:41 a.m.-12:48 p.m. — Adam Scott, Jason Dufner, a-Matthew Fitzpatrick.
9:52 a.m.-12:59 p.m. — Jordan Spieth, Patrick Reed, Ron McIlroy.
10:03 a.m.-1:48 p.m. — Kevin Streelman, D.A. Points.
10:14 a.m.-1:56 p.m. — Larry Mize, Brandel Grace, a-Michael McCoy.
10:25 a.m.-1:07 p.m. — Sandy Lyle, Matt Jones, Ken Duke.
10:36 a.m.-1:18 p.m. — Jose Maria Olazabal, Lucas Glover, a-Garrick Porteous.
10:47 a.m.-1:29 a.m. — Nick Watney, Stephen Gallacher, Darren Clarke.
11:09 a.m.-1:40 a.m. — Vijay Singh, Thomas Bjorn, Ryan Moore.
11:20 a.m.-1:51 a.m. — Matt Kuchar, Louis Oosthuizen, Thongchai Jaidee.
11:31 a.m.-8:02 a.m. — Trevor Immelman, Graham DeLaet, a-Oliver Goss.
11:42 a.m.-8:13 a.m. — Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano, Derek Ernst, Sang-Moon Bae.
11:53 a.m.-8:24 a.m. — Bernhard Langer, Francesco Molinari, Chris Kirk.
12:04 p.m.-8:35 a.m. — Jason Day, Dustin Johnson, Hunter Mahan.
12:15 p.m.-8:57 a.m. — Bubba Watson, Luke Donald, Sergio Garcia.
12:26 p.m.-9:08 a.m. — Jason Dufner, Marc Leishman, Hunter Mahan.
12:37 p.m.-9:19 a.m. — Keegan Bradley, Victor Dubuisson, Peter Hanson.
12:48 p.m.-9:30 a.m. — Phil Mickelson, Ernie Els, Justin Rose.
12:59 p.m.-9:41 a.m. — Harris English, Lee Westwood, Russell Henley.

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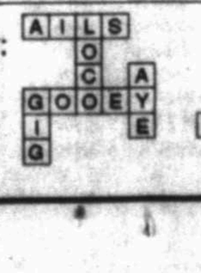
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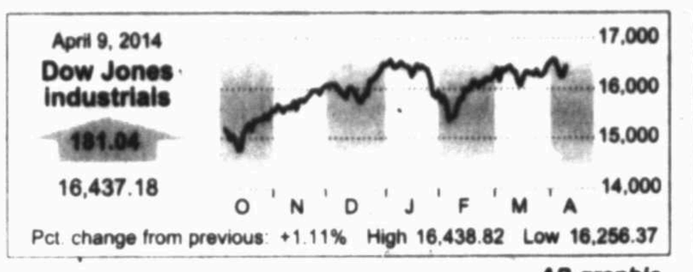


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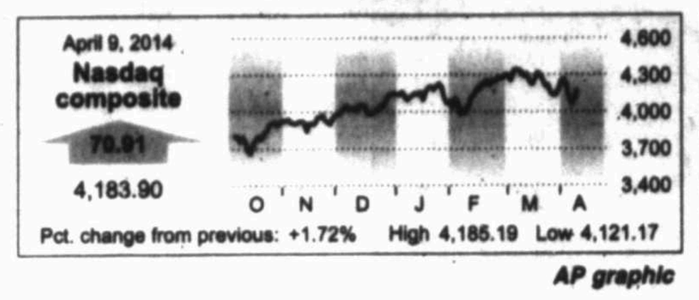
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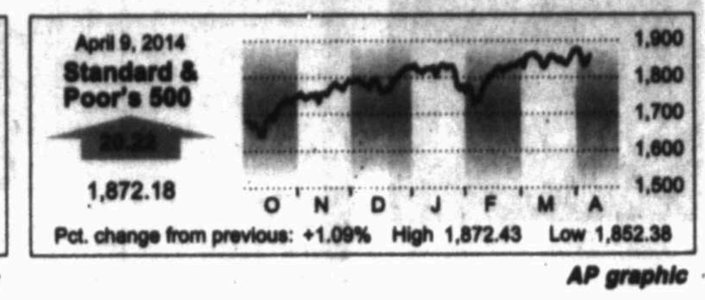
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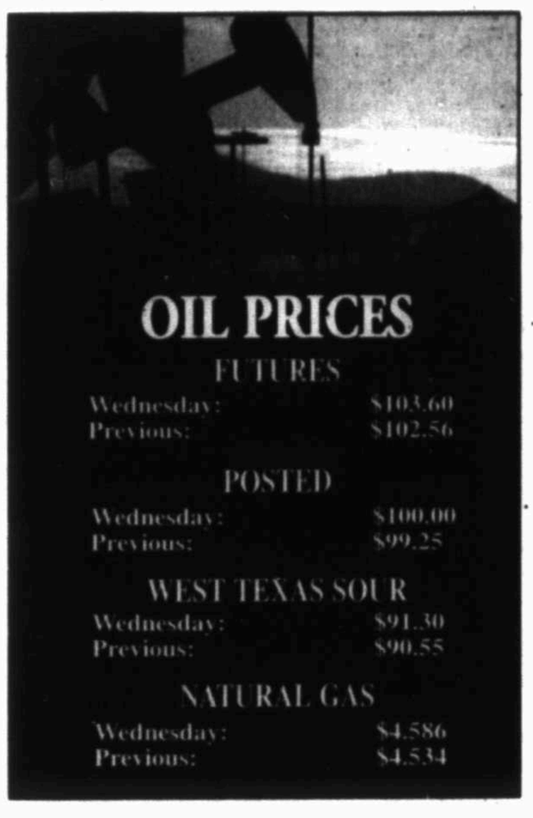
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Toyota, General Motors recalls push US to near-record pace

Associated Press

DETROIT — Big U.S. recalls by General Motors and Toyota have put the auto industry on a record pace as companies try to avoid bad publicity and punishment from an increasingly aggressive government.

On Wednesday, Toyota announced it was recalling nearly 1.8 million vehicles in the U.S. to fix a spate of problems, including air bags that might not inflate. It's part of a worldwide recall of 6.4 million cars and trucks.

So far this year, automakers have recalled about 9 million vehicles in the U.S. If that pace continues, the nation would break the record of 30.8 million recalled vehicles set in 2004.

Most of the recalls are from Toyota and General Motors, two automakers that are under government scrutiny and facing bad publicity and allegations that they concealed safety issues.

Toyota's latest recalls were announced before the company even developed specific repairs. They come two weeks after the Justice Department skewered the Japanese automaker for covering up problems that caused unintended acceleration in some cars starting in 2009. Toyota agreed to pay $1.2 billion to settle that case, but federal prosecutors can resurrect a wire fraud charge if the company fails to comply with the terms of the settlement.

Toyota's actions come as rival GM recalls 2.6 million small cars for defective ignition switches the company links to at least 13 deaths. Of those, 2.2 million are in the U.S. As that crisis unfolded, GM announced recalls of another 3.4 million U.S. vehicles.

GM is facing a Justice Department investigation, and last week its new CEO was grilled by Congress over its handling of the ignition recalls. It also faces fines of $7,000 per day for missing a deadline to answer questions from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Clarence Ditlow, executive director of the nonprofit Center for Auto Safety, said automakers historically have been quick to fix safety problems when faced with government investigations and bad publicity.

"The manufacturers as a whole look through their inventory of defective vehicles and recall some of the ones that they had passed over before," he said.

After highly publicized cases in the past, such as Toyota's unintended acceleration problems and Ford's trouble with Explorers and Firestone tires in the late 1990s, automakers at first quickly issued recalls. But recalls dropped off as the bad publicity faded, Ditlow said.

But this time may be different because of the Justice Department's investigation of Toyota and the prospect of criminal charges against GM and some of its employees in what lawmakers have called a cover-up of the ignition switch problem.

"That can be a real game-changer," Ditlow said. "There's nothing that changes corporate behavior as much as criminal prosecutions."

Jessica Caldwell, senior analyst for the Edmunds.com auto website, said things changed when NHTSA got more aggressive with fines and enforcement against Toyota in 2009 and 2010. "But the GM recall has compounded the fact that they have to be more proactive," she said.

The high number of recalls could also be attributed to the use of common parts across an automaker's entire vehicle lineup, she said. When something goes wrong, more parts have to be replaced.

Through Wednesday, GM had recalled about 5.6 million cars and SUVs in the U.S. this year, while Toyota was at 2.85 million.

Automakers in the U.S. are required to notify NHTSA and recall cars within five days of discovering a safety defect. But corporate committees that govern recalls can take a long time to determine if a faulty part is a safety defect. That means recalls can take longer than the five days, Ditlow said.

But now companies appear to be finding defects and acting faster. Ditlow said he expects smaller recalls in the future as companies move quickly to fix parts and limit the impact of a problem.

Toyota's U.S. recall announced Wednesday includes the following vehicles in the U.S.:

■ 1.3 million vehicles with faulty electrical connections that could cause air bags to deactivate. Included are the 2009-2010 Corolla, 2009-2010 Matrix, 2008-2010 Highlander, 2009-2010 Tacoma, 2006-2008 RAV4, 2006-2010 Yaris and 2009-2010 Pontiac Vibe. If the air bags deactivate, they could fail to deploy after a crash. The Vibe, which is made by General Motors Co., is included in the recall because Toyota designed and engineered it for GM when the two companies shared a factory in California. GM says 40,500 Vibes will be recalled.

■ 472,500 small cars with defective springs in the front seat rails, which could prevent the seats from locking in place. Included are the 2006-2010 Yaris hatchback, 2007-2010 Yaris sedan and the 2008-2010 Scion XD.

Toyota said no injuries or crashes have been reported related to the recalls. The company is working on remedies. Dealers will replace the defective parts for free when parts are available.

The recall is one of Toyota's largest since 2009 and 2010, when the company issued a series of recalls totaling more than 10 million vehicles for various problems including faulty brakes, sticky gas pedals and ill-fitting floor mats.

The ignition switch recall is GM's largest individual recall this year. The switches can unexpectedly slip out of the "run" position, shutting down the engine and cutting off power-assisted brakes and steering.

Oil rises above $103

The price of oil rose to a five-week high Wednesday amid unrest in eastern Ukraine, even as a report showed a large rise in U.S. crude oil supplies.

Benchmark U.S. crude oil for May delivery gained $1.04 to close at $103.60 on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract gained $2.12 on Tuesday. It last closed above $103 on March 4.

Brent crude, used to set prices for international oil varieties, rose 31 cents to $107.98 on the ICE Futures exchange in London.

Traders are uneasy about the potential for disruption of supplies due to instability in eastern Ukraine and more sanctions on Russia, a crucial supplier of oil and natural gas to Europe. Pro-Russian separatists have seized government buildings in several cities in Ukraine's industrial east in the aftermath of Russia's annexation of Crimea.

Meanwhile, the announced reopening of four Libyan export terminals could turn out to be a drawn-out process, meaning it is unlikely to boost supplies imminently.

Most metals fall

Gold, silver, copper and platinum declined. Palladium rose.

Gold for June delivery fell $3.20, or 0.2 percent, to $1,305.90 an ounce. The price of silver for May dropped 29 cents, or 1.4 percent, to $19.77 an ounce.

Copper for May fell 1.4 cents, or 0.5 percent, to $3.04 a pound. July platinum dropped $2.80, or 0.2 percent, to $1,438.90 an ounce. Palladium for June delivery rose $6.70, or 0.9 percent, to $782.55 an ounce.

NYSE

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
S&P500ETF	918823	187.09	+1.99
BkofAm	756624	16.62	+.18
iShEMkts	701147	42.28	+.32
Alcoa	479613	13.00	+.47
iShJapan	458839	11.16	+.16

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
GrayTvA	9.45	+1.33	+16.4
GrayTelev	11.36	+1.44	+14.5
AlthionEn n	37.94	+4.40	+13.1
E-CDang	14.56	+1.64	+12.7
PumaBiotc	87.89	+7.03	+8.7

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Haverty	25.89	-2.09	-7.5
GM wt C	2.63	-.21	-7.2
WbstFn wt	12.95	-.96	-6.9
HavertyA	26.38	-1.86	-6.6
AlphaNRs	4.57	-.31	-6.4

Diary

Advanced	2,256
Declined	828
Unchanged	120
Total issues	3,204
New Highs	87
New Lows	10
Volume	3,250,268,783

Amex

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
IsoRay	75766	2.82	-.15
InovioPhm	66730	3.13	+.33
UranumEn	50940	1.20	+.07
ChenereEn	47552	59.27	+2.27
NwGold g	30427	5.35	+.01

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
InovioPhm	3.13	+.33	+11.8
Neuralstem	4.66	+.36	+8.4
Oragenics	2.76	+.19	+7.4
EnFuel grs	8.97	+.62	+7.4
AmpioPhm	6.11	+.41	+7.2

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
22ndCentry	2.83	-.20	-6.6
EVOHMu	13.25	-.73	-5.2
IsoRay	2.82	-.15	-5.1
PacGE pfC	24.03	-1.02	-4.1
LGL Grp	5.17	-.21	-3.8

Diary

Advanced	277
Declined	124
Unchanged	27
Total issues	428
New Highs	7
New Lows	1
Volume	126,795,950

Nasdaq

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
SiriusXM	1385995	3.14	+.08
Facebook	981382	62.41	+4.22
PwShs QQQ	427785	87.82	+1.48
Intel	339533	26.98	+.07
MicronT	312342	22.60	+.39

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ConstantC	28.22	+6.30	+28.7
HlthInsInn	12.00	+2.07	+20.8
Dipexium n	10.40	+1.46	+16.3
UBIC n	9.50	+1.28	+15.6
Pixelwrks	6.01	+.79	+15.1

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Delcath rs	3.73	-.96	-20.4
ProUShBio	17.80	-1.52	-7.9
IntSurg	456.64	-33.20	-6.8
WD 40	72.75	-4.73	-6.1
TxCapB wt	47.83	-3.07	-6.0

Diary

Advanced	1,934
Declined	657
Unchanged	150
Total issues	2,741
New Highs	39
New Lows	25
Volume	1,908,738,981

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $118.64 Up 1.43

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $126.88 Up 1.91

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $28.12 Down 0.38

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $68.06 Up 1.46

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $25.49 Up 0.03

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $7.34 Up 0.04

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $31.20 Up 0.36

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $16.37 Up 0.51

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.84	11	34.92	-.35	-.7
AbbottLab	.88f	24	37.63	+.01	-1.8
Abraxas		49	4.42	+.23	+35.5
AdamsEx	.84e	...	12.96	+.11	-.8
AMD			3.98	-.01	+2.8
Alcoa	12	42	13.00	+.47	+22.3
AlonUSA	24a	52	14.99	+.73	-9.4
AlphaNRs			4.57	-.31	-36.0
AmAirl n			36.90	+.92	+46.1
Amgen	2.44	18	120.00	+2.02	+5.2
Anadarko	.72	63	99.48	+1.08	+25.4
Annaly	1.35e	3	11.38	+.09	+14.1
Apache	1.00f	15	83.86	-1.53	-2.7
ApldMatl	.40	51	19.99	+.14	+13.1
ATMOS	1.48	18	48.52	+.53	+6.8
AutoData	1.92	26	75.88	+.32	-6.1
BP PLC	2.28	11	48.78	+.82	+.3
BabsCCInv	1.20	...	15.22	-.00	+1.9
BakrHu	.60	26	64.92	+.27	+17.5
BcoBrad pf	.23e	...	14.60	-.10	+16.5
BkofAm	.20f	16	16.62	+.18	+6.7
B iPVix rs	...	...	40.98	-1.04	-3.7
BasicEnSv			27.59	+.71	+74.8
BerkHa A	...	16186	897.00	+1257.00	+4.5
BlkHillsCp	1.56f	26	57.80	+.44	+10.3
BostonSci		25	13.54	+.53	+12.6
BrMySq	1.44	33	50.57	+1.51	-4.9
BrownPA	1.16	33	89.61	+1.01	+21.5
BrownPB	1.16	31	90.48	+1.46	+19.7
CVS Care	1.10	20	74.45	+1.27	+4.0
Cameron	...	22	62.98	+.20	+5.8
Caterpillar	2.40	19	102.99	+.60	+13.4
Celestic g	...	20	11.05	+.15	+6.3
CntryLink	2.16	...	33.80	-.14	+6.1
ChesEng	.35	39	26.37	+.24	-2.8
Chevron	4.00	11	119.10	+1.30	-4.7
Chicos	.30	20	16.52	-.45	-12.3
Cimarex	.64f	25	117.28	+1.59	+11.8
Cisco	.76f	15	23.12	+.18	+3.9
Citigroup	.04	11	47.16	+.56	-9.5
CloyEng	...	...	118.64	+1.43	+44.8
CocaCola	1.22f	21	38.99	+.09	-5.6
ColgPalm s	1.44f	28	65.73	+.10	+.8
Comcast	.90f	19	49.79	+.94	-4.2

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ConAgra	1.00	16	31.10	-.11	-7.7
ConchoRes	...	53	126.88	+1.91	+17.5
ConocoPhil	2.76	11	71.54	+1.47	+1.3
CrackerB	3.00	19	96.52	+1.69	-12.3
CrosTim	2.57e	14	31.23	+.14	+6.2
DCP Mid	2.93f	39	51.73	+.03	+2.7
DTE	2.62	20	75.26	+.09	+13.4
Dataram h			2.87	+.06	+10.4
Dawson	.32	22	28.12	-.38	-16.9
DevonE	.96f	...	68.38	+.53	+10.5
DrxSCBear			15.95	-.70	-6.0
Disney	.88f	22	80.47	+.30	+6.3
DowChm	1.48f	13	48.97	+.90	+10.3
EMC Cp	.40	21	27.44	+.06	+9.1
EOG Res s	.50f	25	98.95	+.24	+17.9
EmpDist	1.02	16	23.98	-.24	+6.7
Energen	.60f	29	81.69	+.94	+15.5
EngyTsfr	3.68f	...	54.74	+.32	-4.4
EnPro	...	50	72.13	+.74	+25.1
EntPrPt	2.84f	26	72.23	+1.18	+8.9
Ericsson	.46e	...	13.59	+.27	+11.0
ExterranH	.50	24	43.88	+.24	+28.3
ExxonMbl	2.52	11	97.33	-.12	-3.8
Facebook	...	...	62.41	+4.22	+14.2
FordM	.50f	9	15.84	-.26	+2.7
ForestOil	...	11	1.88	-.03	-47.9
FuelCellE			2.48	+.10	+75.9
GATX	1.32f	18	66.55	+1.05	+27.6
GabMutT	.88	...	10.65	+.09	-14.2
GAInv	2.10e	...	35.26	+.37	+.2
GenElec	.88	19	25.95	+.20	-7.4
GenMotors	1.20	14	33.62	-.91	-17.7
GileadSci	...	39	70.65	+.64	-5.9
GtPlainEn	.92	16	26.89	-.17	+9.7
Groupon	...	...	7.42	+.05	-36.9
HalconRes	...	...	4.60	+.12	+19.2
Halliblrtn	.80	20	59.78	+.29	+16.8
HewlettP	.64f	12	32.72	+.27	+16.9
iShBrazil	1.44e	...	47.15	-.14	+5.5
iShJapan	.13e	...	11.16	+.16	-8.1
iShChinaLC	1.02e	...	36.82	+.44	-4.0
iShEMkts	.86e	...	42.28	+.32	+1.2
iS Eafe	1.70e	...	67.86	+.86	+1.1
iShR2K	1.45e	...	115.25	+1.84	-.1

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
IntegrysE	2.72	15	60.42	-.13	+11.0
Intel	.90	14	26.98	+.07	+3.9
InterDig	.40	37	33.98	...	+15.2
ItauUnibH	.51r	...	15.47	-.10	+14.1
JPMorgCh	1.60f	14	59.27	+.42	+2.0
JohnJn	2.64	21	98.95	+.89	+8.0
KimbCtk	3.36f	20	111.23	+.49	+6.5
KindME	5.44f	28	77.58	+.58	-3.8
KindMM	5.44f	42	73.64	+.62	-2.7
LaQuinta n			17.12	...	
LegacyRes	2.36f	...	25.49	+.03	-9.5
Lubys	...	...	6.02	-.02	-22.0
MannKd			7.00	+.46	+34.6
MktVGold	.19e	...	25.07	+.19	+18.6
McDnlds	3.24	18	98.35	+.27	+1.4
Merck	1.76	39	57.10	+2.06	+14.1
MerltMed	...	37	14.61	+.29	-7.2
MexcoEn	...	73	7.34	+.04	+6.4
MicronT	...	9	22.60	+.39	+3.9
Microsoft	1.12	15	40.47	+.65	+8.2
Mylan	...	31	48.57	+.93	+11.9
Nabors	.16	52	24.29	+.44	+43.0
NatGrid	3.17e	...	68.77	+.20	+5.3
NOilVarco	1.04	15	76.76	+.64	-1.0
NokiaCp	...	...	7.81	+.23	-3.7
NA Pal g	...	...	.35	-.05	-47.0
NvMAd	.80e	...	12.98	-.02	+6.7
NvPMI	.96	...	13.11	-.02	+6.0
NuvPI	.96	...	13.14	-.03	+6.6
NSTFI	.93e	...	13.51	+.02	+4.9
NTXQI	.70e	...	13.58	+.01	+6.7
OcciPet	2.88f	13	95.97	+1.02	+.9
Oracle	.48	17	40.89	+.64	+6.8
PerTech	...	...	6.99	...	-6.8
PetDrl	...	26	6.88	+.15	-16.4
PetMTI	.40f	25	31.49	+.39	+24.1
Penney	...	...	8.82	-.10	-3.6
PennaRE	.80	...	17.83	-.34	-6.1
Pmian	.96e	15	13.26	-.04	+3.1
PetbraA	.82e	...	14.40	-.06	-2.0
Petrobras	.44e	...	13.83	-.09	+.4
Pfizer	1.04f	16	31.23	+.36	+3.0
PlotNrl	.08	...	188.39	+2.50	+2.3
PlatinaAAP	2.82f	19	68.49	+.39	+7.1
PwShs QQQ	1.30e	...	87.82	+1.48	-2

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
Praxair	2.80f	22	130.31	+2.10	+.2
PrmEgy	...	14	54.81	...	+8.5
ProctGam	2.57f	22	81.49	+.14	+.1
RangeRs	.16	...	88.31	-.33	+4.7
RegionsFn	.12	14	10.69	+.03	+8.1
RiteAid	...	...	6.40	+.29	+26.5
Rowan	...	15	31.03	-.54	-12.2
RoyDShllA	3.60	10	74.47	+.81	+4.5
SpdrDJIA	3.58e	...	164.10	+1.77	-.8
S&P500ETF	3.48e	...	187.09	+1.99	+1.3
SabnR	3.88e	13	51.73	+.48	+2.3
SanderFm	.80	11	77.23	+1.37	+6.6
SandRidge	...	...	6.33	-.03	+4.3
Sapient	...	30	17.06	+.02	-1.7
Schlmbrg	1.60f	20	99.02	+.58	+9.9
Schwab	.24	36	26.41	+.74	+1.6
SigmaAld	.92f	23	94.54	+.88	+.6
SiriusXM	...	52	3.14	+.08	-10.0
Smucker	2.32	18	97.23	+.12	-6.2
Sprint n	...	...	8.80	+.08	-18.1
SP HlthC	.84e	...	58.18	+1.22	+4.9
SPDR Fncl	.34e	...	22.05	+.19	+.9
SP Inds	.91e	...	52.45	+.66	+.4
SP Util	1.47e	...	41.89	-.09	+10.3
Staples	.48	13	12.39	+.11	-22.4
SunEdison	...	...	18.46	+1.20	+41.5

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
SunocoLog	2.65f	27	87.67	-.43	+16.1
TeleflEsp	.47e	...	16.32	+.31	-.1
Tesoro	1.00	15	48.85	+.06	-16.5
3M Co	3.42f	20	135.84	+1.00	-3.1
Torchmark	.76f	14	78.66	+.89	+.7
TriContl	.85e	...	20.06	+.20	+.4
21stCFoxA	.25	...	33.12	+.76	-5.8
Twitter n	...	...	42.49	+.71	-33.2
TylerTech	...	72	81.45	+.09	-20.2
UBWV	1.28	18	30.26	-.33	-3.6
Vale SA	.84e	...	14.99	-.08	-1.7
ValeantE	1.00f	10	52.95	+1.30	+5.1
VangEmg	1.20e	...	41.74	+.33	+1.5
VerizonCm	2.12	12	47.98	-.23	-2.4
VulcanM	.20f	...	65.11	+1.15	+9.6
Walgrn	1.26	23	65.82	+1.70	+14.1
WellsFargo	1.20	13	49.10	+.27	+8.1
Wendys Co	.20	78	8.63	+.04	-1.0
WstnRefin	1.04f	14	39.15	+.79	-7.7
WhitngPet	...	16	72.90	+.89	+17.8
WmsCos	1.61f	47	40.79	+.20	+5.8
XcelEngy	1.20f	16	30.71	-.19	+8.9
Xerox	.29f	12	11.49	...	-5.6
Yahoo	...	28	34.87	+1.04	-13.8
Zynga	...	...	4.37	+.07	+15.0

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INDEXES

52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
16,631.63	14,444.03	Dow Jones Industrials	16,437.18	+181.04	+1.11	-.84	+11.05
7,715.91	5,902.82	Dow Jones Transportation	7,590.79	+122.35	+1.64	+2.57	+22.80
538.71	462.66	Dow Jones Utilities	537.35	-1.06	-.20	+9.54	+3.09
11,334.65	8,814.76	NYSE Composite	10,554.93	+102.91	+.98	+1.49	+14.86
2,591.77	2,186.97	Amex Index	2,520.72	+29.55	+1.16	+8.02	+8.66
4,371.71	3,154.96	Nasdaq Composite	4,183.90	+70.91	+1.72	+.17	+26.89
1,897.29	1,536.03	S&P 500	1,872.18	+20.22	+1.09	+1.29	+17.92
20,257.19	16,177.05	Wilshire 5000	19,962.05	+228.71	+1.16	+1.30	+19.21
1,212.82	899.40	Russell 2000	1,189.93	+15.72	+1.27	-.32	+22.61

TODAY: Mostly sunny High: 93 Low: 60

FRIDAY: Mostly sunny High: 94 Low: 60

SATURDAY: Mostly sunny High: 93 Low: 66

SUNDAY: Mostly sunny High: 86 Low: 44

MONDAY: Mostly sunny High: 61 Low: 39

TUESDAY: Sunny High: 72 Low: 48

Local forecast

Expect mostly sunny skies today with a high around 93 and south winds between 10 and 15 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 60 and southwest winds around 10 mph.

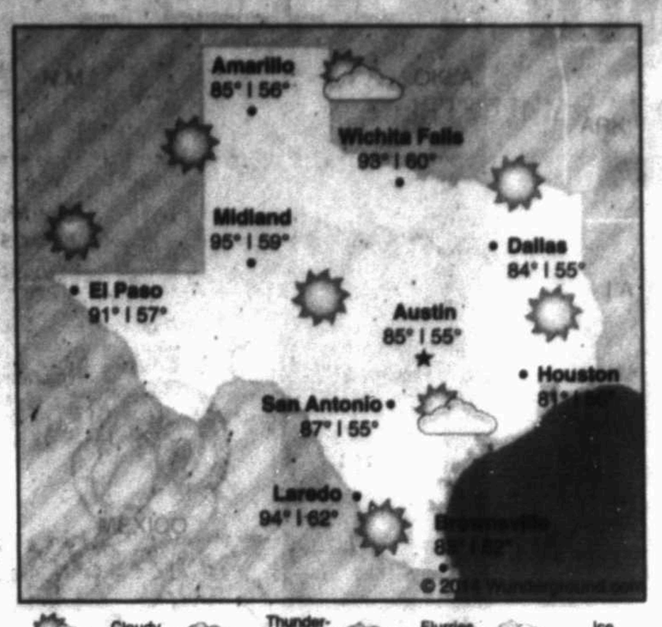
Friday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 94 and southwest winds between 5 and 10 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 60 and northeast winds between 5 and 10 mph becoming southeast after midnight.

Saturday, the forecast calls for mostly sunny skies during the day, partly cloudy skies at night, with a high around 93 and a low around 66.

The high on Wednesday reached 89, while the low dropped to 50. The record high for April 9 is 95 set in 2011. The record low is 20 set in 1973.

National forecast

A large portion of the nation will be free of rain and snow today. An area of high pressure reaching from the Gulf of Mexico to off the coast of New England will deliver sunshine and near- to above-average temperatures from the Deep South to Maine.



Precipitation

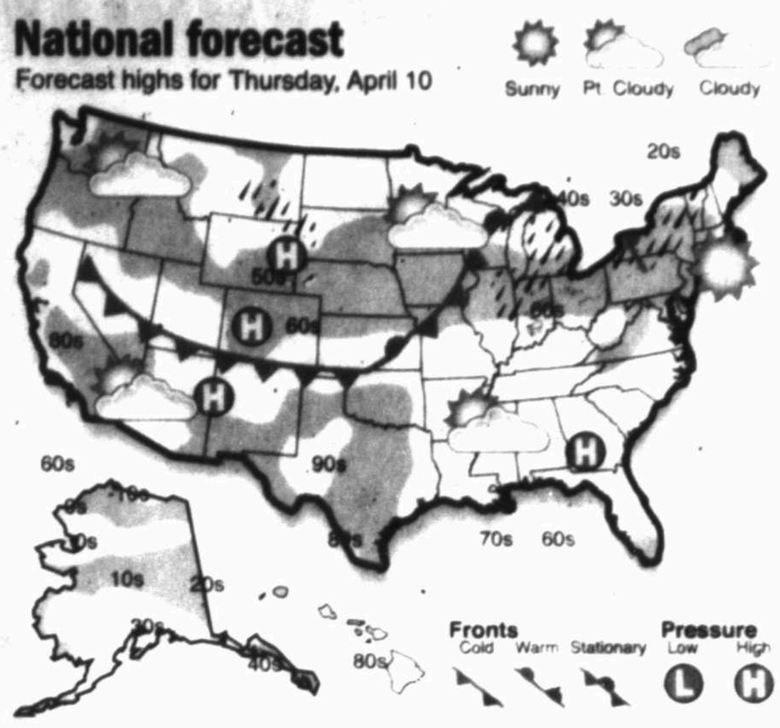
Tuesday	0.00 in.
Wednesday	0.00 in.
Month total	trace
Year total	0.45 in.
Normal total (year to date)	2.07 in.

Wednesday's temperatures

High	89
Low	50
Normal high	77
Normal low	47
Sunrise	7:26 a.m.
Sunset	8:15 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Thursday, April 10



Man is patient as independent woman struggles with intimacy

DEAR ABBY



Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 27-year-old woman who has never had a boyfriend or been kissed. I was never interested in romance or having a significant other. I felt strong being independent and taking care of myself. Now that I have a degree, a career and a house, I feel ready to try to let a man into my life.

I met a really nice guy a month ago. "Brian" and I have gone out several times and have a lot in common. He's a gentleman, and he says he's willing to wait for me.

I have been having a difficult time letting myself be physical with him. Even hugging is uncomfortable for me. I know it's because I have been a shy loner my whole life and I'm unaccustomed to being close to people.

Even though Brian says he'll be patient, I can sense his frustration. Physical closeness should come easily if you like and are attracted to someone. I feel abnormal. I don't know if I'll be this way forever or get more comfortable the more I know him.

I'm afraid Brian — and most men — won't be willing to wait that long. I'm afraid if I don't move faster I'll lose a great guy and never get another chance. What do you think? — BLOCKED IN BOISE

DEAR BLOCKED: Being intimate with someone because you're afraid you'll lose him or it will be your last chance is the wrong reason. I think that the sooner you talk with a licensed therapist about your lifelong shyness and discomfort, the quicker you can understand the reasons for it and overcome it. Your doctor should be able to refer you to someone.

If Brian is the right man for you, he will stand by you. But if he doesn't, you'll be able to more easily relate to someone else.

DEAR ABBY: I am planning my wedding in the fall. My fiance and I are paying for the wedding and reception.

I have worked at my job for a year, and I haven't always been treated well by a few co-workers. I am reluctant to invite these people because I'm worried about the repercussions if I do. I know they will judge every aspect because they did it to another co-worker.

I like a few of the people I work with, but I don't know if I can invite only them. What do I do? — WEDDING PLANNER IN OMAHA

DEAR WEDDING PLANNER: What you do is invite only those people you truly want to attend your wedding. It's not necessary to apologize for it or to explain why. If you are put on the spot and feel you must give a reason, say that your guest list is limited because of financial constraints. It's far more tactful than saying they are being excluded because they are rude, awful people, and you don't want them anywhere near you on such an important occasion.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Apply the pressure

Both vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ J 8 4 2
♥ A 9 6 4
♦ 4
♣ A K J 7

WEST
♠ A 6 3
♥ 8
♦ Q 10 8 6 2
♣ 10 8 6 4

EAST
♠ Q 9 7
♥ 7
♦ K J 9 7 5
♣ Q 9 3 2

SOUTH
♠ K 10 5
♥ K Q J 10 5 3 2
♦ A 3
♣ 5

The bidding

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	Pass	4♥*	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

*Splinter bid — four hearts and at most one diamond, good hand

Opening lead: Four of ♣

Splinter bids have grown in popularity among good players. They allow you to bid good quality slams based on an excellent fit without having to wait around for an overabundance of high-card points. Today's hand is a good example.

The dummy was a slight disappointment. Declarer would have happily traded the two black jacks for one black queen, making the slam cold unless the defense could find a ruff. Even so, the contract had excellent play.

South played the hand in routine manner, discarding a spade on the king of clubs and trying to ruff out queen-third of clubs while drawing the trumps. He came down to a position where he had to guess the spades with nothing to guide him. Most players, not seeing the subtlety of this position, would lead a low spade from the dummy and make their best guess when East played low. This South was a veteran who understood how important it was to put pressure on the defenders. He led the jack of spades from dummy! This play had no meaning to declarer, but it had great meaning to East, who had to consider the location of the spade 10. It was essential to cover if partner held the 10 but right to duck should declarer hold that card. East covered the jack and solved declarer's guess for him. The wily veteran wins again!

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 Thursday, April 10, 2014:

This year you make waves because of your ability to brainstorm and find answers. This quality will be emphasized even more come summertime. To others, it seems as though you don't believe in the word "no." If you are single, you enter one of the most romantic periods of your life from July on. You could meet someone who fulfills many of your fantasies. If you are attached, you can be found happily together at home this spring. You are likely to plan a special vacation or fulfill an important mutual goal this summer. VIRGO can be very fussy and detail-oriented.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ You refuse to accept "no" as an answer right now. You will find a way of using a problem to pave your way to a goal. What seems to be an obstacle will vanish given creative brainstorming. Tonight: Make sure to get some exercise.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You might not want to budge in the morning or even in the afternoon. If you can, take a day off or try to work from home. Make it OK to extend your weekend once in a while. You will come back feeling much more refreshed. Tonight: Head out for a walk.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Look at the long-term implications of someone's resistance at work. The problem could be bigger for this person than for you. In the afternoon, you might want to check on a real estate investment or the possibility of a change around your home. Tonight: Be a couch potato.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Be aware of your finances, and make a decision that allows greater flow for you. This ease might come from saying "no" to some risk-taking or overindulgence. Postpone a talk until late afternoon or tomorrow if you can. Tonight: Go hang out with a friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ You'll enter any situation with a positive attitude, despite the fact that a personal matter might weigh you down. You know that the issue will resolve itself given some time. Resist pushing, and let it go for now. Tonight: Spruce up your wardrobe.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ You will feel as if you are on hold most of the day. You might wonder what would be the best way to proceed with a key project. You'll sense a loosening up — if not today, in the near future. You could be a lot tenser than you realize. Tonight: Leave today behind you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ A meeting or discussion could color your thinking. You might be replaying certain situations in your head. Aim for what you want, and worry less about what others think. A financial matter seems to pull your purse strings too tight. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ A boss might be more pleased with your performance than you realize. You could be unusually concerned or worried. Perhaps you are not aware of the image you are projecting of yourself. Try to loosen up a little; you want to be approachable. Tonight: Only what you want.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ Take a broad look at some information that is coming down the pike. If you feel as if something is off or that facts are being withheld, do a little personal research. Before you take a stand, carefully review everything you have discovered. Tonight: Out till the wee hours.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You can't control someone else's decisions; however, you can separate yourself from this person if his or her actions have financial implications. Make a decision for your security in the long run. Expect some upset over this matter. Tonight: Detach and relax.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You might feel weighed down by a work-related matter and want to have a discussion with a loved one immediately! Explain your predicament, and emphasize the importance of having this conversation. Tonight: Schedule some quiet time with your sweetie.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You'll dive headfirst into a project with the ability to complete it within a certain time frame. Someone at a distance seems to be unavailable to you. Do not reach out to this person right now, as his or her behavior points to a desire for space. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

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BORN TODAY

Newspaper publisher Joseph Pulitzer (1847), actor Steven Seagal (1952), NFL sportscaster John Madden (1936)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 "Find your own road" automaker
5 Bitter disagreement
11 26-Across download
14 Minuscule lake plant
15 Wee hr.
16 Dude
17 RASPBERRY
20 Vampire's bane
21 T-man, e.g.
22 Courageous
23 Hermey of TV's "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," e.g.
25 Take out
26 BLACKBERRY
32 Newtonian elements?
33 Is ready for business
34 Big runners
35 Bustle
36 Natural resource
37 Educational org.
38 Chloé fragrance maker
40 Good-sized chamber ensemble
42 Baseball family name
43 HUCKLEBERRY
46 Goal line play
47 Kitchen tool
48 Like wasted milk in Westminster
49 Its HQ is named for George Bush
52 Schisms and chasms
56 STRAWBERRY
59 __ kwon do
60 Sherlock Holmes' instrument
61 Small case
62 Wanted-poster letters
63 Use
64 Percolate

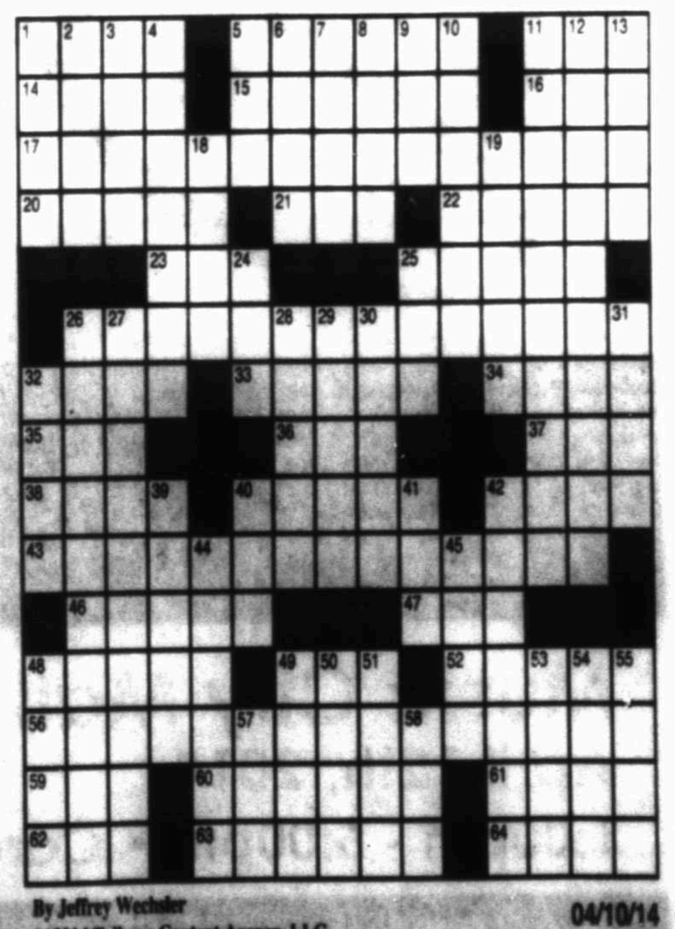
DOWN

1 Fresh answers, say
2 Oodles
3 Lago contents
4 Ones showing varying amounts of interest?
5 Facility about 350 miles NW of LAX
6 Beau Brummel, for one
7 Brusque
8 Steamed
9 Word with cry or out
10 Future citizen, perhaps
11 Not particularly challenging
12 "Law & Order" figure
13 County fair mount
18 Mark of rejection
19 Like James Bond
24 Ubiquitous insurance spokeswoman
25 To whom reporters report: Abbr.
26 Dracula feature
27 Brainstorming cry
28 Historical segment
29 Simmons competitor
30 Show contempt
31 Son of Isaac
32 Fundamental of science
39 Harvest output
40 Spider-Man nemesis Doc __
41 Select
42 Occasionally
44 From around here
45 Podiatrist's concern
48 Mile., in Monterrey
49 Recipe verb
50 Cruise destination
51 Related
53 You've got it coming
54 "No argument here"
55 Ignore
57 Pack quantity
58 Senator Sanders of Vt., on ballots

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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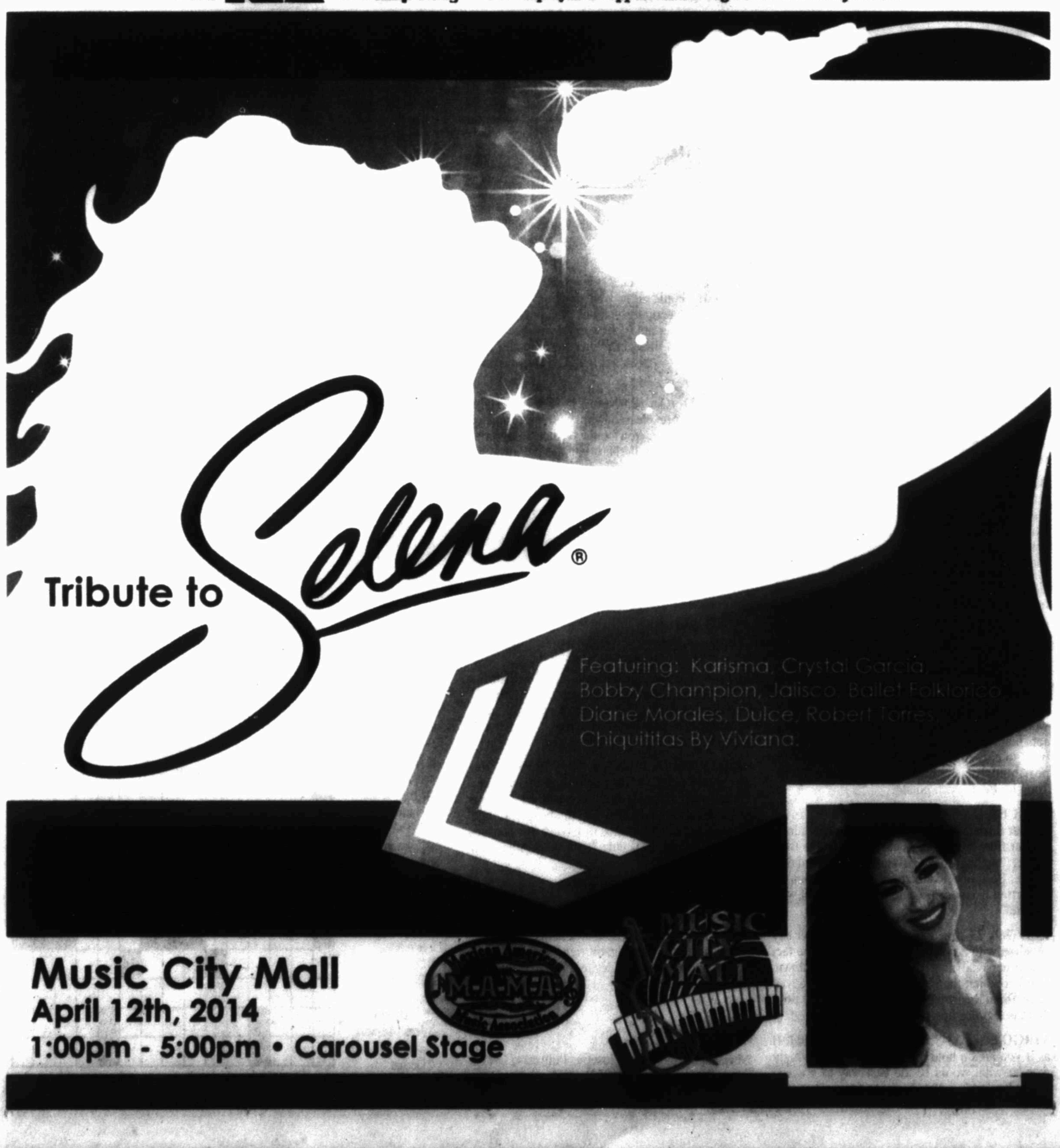


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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of MARY J. GOODRICH, Deceased, were issued on April 3, 2014, in Cause No. P17632, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to: Shane Stokes.

All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: **L. Shane Stokes**
300 North Marienfeld, Suite 700
Midland, TX 79701

DATED the 7th day of April, 2014.

L. Shane Stokes
Attorney at Law
State Bar No.: 19273500
300 North Marienfeld, Suite 700
Midland, TX 79701
Telephone: (432) 683-3351
Facsimile: (432) 683-6348
E-mail: sstokes@clcarlfirm.com

Passenger Cars

2008 HONDA Accord LX, fully loaded 56K miles. Asking $14,000. Call 432-559-6050

2010 FORD Fusion SE V6, 97K miles, dark gray, excellent condition $8,300. 556-1901

BMW 2013 128i Coupe, white with black leather, auto, 4 wheel drive, sport package, sunroof, push start, well maintained w/ all records, excellent condition, 14k mi, non smoker, 1 owner, under warranty, new tires. $28,500 OBO. 432-770-1000

Buick 2008 LaCrosse, 4 door, V6, 106,000 mileage, satellite radio, no dents or dings. $8,300. Call 432-694-3318

CADILLAC 2006 DTS 4 Dr sedan, leather, V8, FWD. We Finance. brbmidlandtx.com 683-6, 22

CAMARO 2002 T-Top V6, white, limited edition, excellent condition, low mileage. $7,500. 432-638-6825, call after 5pm

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SATURN 2008 Sky 13,000 miles, blue with tan top $22K call 432-528-3150

WANTED!
Will buy wrecked & unwanted cars, trucks & RVs FREE pick-up 432-685-4078

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 38 Case No. 08-0287710
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar. 18, 2014 — Status/Permit No. 779745
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, April 22, 2014
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 12, Blk. 35, T2S, T&P, RR CO / HOUSTON, A L Survey, A-818, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, GLASSCOCK County, being 18.4 miles NW direction from GARDEN CITY, 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, YOU MUST FILL OUT, SIGN AND MAIL, FAX, E-MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE AUSTIN OFFICE OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS THE ENCLOSED NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST. A COPY OF THE INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST ALSO BE MAILED, DELIVERED, FAXED OR E-MAILED ON THE SAME DATE TO THE APPLICANT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ON THE SERVICE LIST. THIS 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 NO LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. ON:

Apr 22, 2014

IMPORTANT: THE MAILBOX RULE DOES NOT APPLY. 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, TO BE EFFECTIVE THE DAY FOLLOWING THE TERMINATION OF SUCH 21 DAY PERIOD.

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	HANCOCK 'A'
Lease/Unit Well No. :	3
Lease/Unit Acres :	164.4
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	664.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	1320.0

Lease Lines : 721.0 F NORTH L — 874.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines : 1980.0 F SOUTH L — 1980.0 F WEST L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 2 additional fields: (1) DEWEY LAKE (ATOKA), (2) BERRYHILL (STRAWN). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for these fields.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA): Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

DEWEY LAKE (ATOKA): Oil, Statewide rules 467/660, 40.0 acres.

BERRYHILL (STRAWN): Oil, Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11,250 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, NORMA DONOVAN, at (972) 969-3643.

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JOE R. HASTINGS, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of April, 2014, Letters Testamentary were issued to Martha A. Hastings as Independent Executrix in proceedings in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, in Probate, styled "In the Matter of the Estate of Joe R. Hastings, Deceased," being No. P-17821 in that Court, and which proceedings are still pending. All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present the same to Martha A. Hastings, P. O. Box 511, Midland, Texas 79702, within the time prescribed by law.

DATED this 7th day of April, 2014.

Martha A. Hastings,
Independent Executrix of the
Estate of Joe R. Hastings,
Deceased

Legal & Public Notices

Notice of Application for Commercial Oil & Gas Waste Disposal Well Permit

Henderson & Erickson, Inc. / 410 North Main, Midland, Texas, 79701 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Lower San Andres & Clearfork, Cook SWD Lease, Well Number 1. The proposed disposal well is located 8.9 miles SW of Big Spring, TX, in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field, in Howard County. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3440 to 5340 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.

Requests 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

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Jane Bale Woodside, Deceased, were issued on March 18, 2014, in Cause No. P-17,085, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Wayne Woodside, Independent Executor, whose mailing address is 130 Spring Park Drive, Suite 205, Midland, Texas 79705.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law, in care of the Independent Executor.

DATED the 9th day of April, 2014

DAVIS, GERALD & CREMER
A Professional Corporation

By: Brian A. Merkley
ATTORNEYS FOR
INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Ann M. Baker, Deceased, were issued on March 18, 2014, in Cause No. P-17,804, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Dennis J. Baker, Independent Executor, whose address is 2405 W. Indiana Avenue, Midland, Texas 79701.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law, in care of the Independent Executor.

DATED the 4th day of April, 2014

DAVIS, GERALD & CREMER
A Professional Corporation

By: Kristi Franklin Hyatt
ATTORNEYS FOR
INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR

mrt★com/jobs

ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

PRODUCTION LIFT COMPANIES
Business Manager

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

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

OTHER JOBS

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

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

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

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

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

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

NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Accounts Receivable Assistants
Natural Gas Service Group FT
Accounts Receivable Assistants needed in Midland for two full-time positions in our corporate office. 3+ years Accounts Receivable experience with intermediate to advanced skills in Microsoft Excel required; candidates must also be exceptionally detail oriented with strong problem solving skills. Experience with electronic billing preferred. These positions also serve as rotating back-up for the receptionist. Applicants must exhibit dependability, professional demeanor and integrity. High school diploma/GED required; some college preferred. Competitive benefit package offered. E-mail resumes with salary history to **employment@ngsgi.com**. No phone calls please. EOE/Drug Free Employer.

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

LEGAL ASSISTANT
Legal Assistant needed for Midland law firm with skills in analyzing title instruments and preparing exhibits. A background in land work would be beneficial, although not necessarily required. Excellent data entry skills are essential. The candidate will be responsible for preparation of exhibits to be attached to deeds of trust, mortgages, and other financial documentation, as well as verification of the oil and gas interests reflected on exhibits. Excellent benefits, salary commensurate with experience. Please send resume to **jvanvranken@lcalawfirm.com**

Program Assistant
Program Assistant: Full time position with benefits for a respected Child Placing Agency. High Sky Children's Ranch. Requires strong computer skills specifically in office, excel, data entry and template building. Must be able to answer a multi-phone line, manage a high volume documentation, file and maintain HIPPA compliance. Position requires a minimum of a high school diploma. Preference given to applicants with administrative assistant certificates. If you would like a full job description send a resume or contact Shawna Bowerman at shawnab@highsky.org. Position closes 4/21/14. No phone calls please

Receptionist
Must have experience in Microsoft Word/Excel, phone skills, filing skills, and have the ability to multi-task

Offering: Full benefits package: Medical, Dental, Life, STD, Aflac, Vision, 401K w/matching, weekends off, and Pd. Vacations.

Apply at 306 W Wall St Suite 700, Midland TX

Secretary/Bookkeeper
Immediate opening for full time person responsible for supporting two (2) consulting engineers. Answering telephone, typing reports, scheduling appointments, controlling accounts receivables, billing, building reports, and maintaining office supplies and equipment. this person should have working knowledge of Microsoft Office, Quicken and Internet Explorer. Salary depends on experience. please email your resume to: info@joecneal.com

EDUCATION & TRAINING

CHILD CARE WORKER
Mrs. Irene's Child Care FT/PT
Need Full and Part-time Child Care Workers. Will train. Starting wages $10-$11/ hour. Paid holidays and vacation. Call 432-520-8888.

Daycare Teacher
St Lukes Child Development Program. We are currently hiring for full and part time positions. must be 18 years of age with a high school diploma or its equivalency. We offer vacation, sick and personal time/ 401k/ Health plan/ paid holidays for full time positions. Apply in person at 3011 W. Kansas, Midland, TX

Pre K Teacher with Leadership Qualities
Great hourly pay! Loving? Responsible? Honest? Take pride in self/ work? No Nights & weekends. HS Diploma & background check. Call 432-684-8270 for interview. Cottage of Mama Bear

ENERGY & UTILITIES

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

CRMWD
Colorado River Municipal District

The Colorado River Municipal Water District is accepting applications for an
Operations Superintendent.

Position is responsible for supervising maintenance employees to assure smooth operation of District facilities while following direction of the Field Operations Supervisor.

The successful candidate will have the experience necessary to successfully plan, direct, organize, and, oversee the daily activities of crews maintaining the District's raw water pipelines, pumps, and pump stations. Must have progressive experience managing multiple projects and personnel. Prior experience in water supply operations and distribution preferred.

CRMWD is an equal opportunity employer. Benefits include health insurance, retirement plans, and sick, vacation and holiday leave.

Applications are required and are available at the District's office, 400 E. 24TH Street, Big Spring, Texas or by calling (432) 267-6341.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Downhole Tool Service Technician
Seeking an **experienced downhole tool tech**. Some experience or knowledge in the downhole tool industry is prefereed. Please contact Rusty Quinney at **432-561-5584** for more information.

Drivers, Inside Sales and Hydrolic Mechanics
Reliance Industrial Product FT
Inside Sales for oilfield supplies. Hydrolic Mechanics for repairs. Drivers must have valid drivers license and provide clean driving record. Reliable. Willing to work overtime. Email resume to: **rberg@relianceindustrial.com**.

Field Service Technician
Production Lift Systems FT
Local oilfield service company seeking **Field Service Technician**. Two years production experienced required. Full benefits. Must have a valid driver's license and pass drug test. Apply at **14 East Industrial Loop Midland, TX 79701** or call **432-699-1200**

Flowback Personnel, Well Testers & CDL Drivers
WARRIOR ENERGY SERVICES now hiring experienced **Flowback Personnel, Well Testers, & CDL Drivers** in the Permian Basin. Please apply in person at **8290 Interstate Highway 20 in Midland, TX**.

FORKLIFT OPERATOR
United Casing, Inc.
Requirements: Certified heavy lift operator with minimum 3 years experience with oilfield pipe. Must have experience loading/unloading & racking pipe. Warehouse forklift drivers should not apply. Send all inquiries and resumes to **bquigley@unitedcasing.com** or bring to **3610 E. Highway 158, Midland Qualified Applicants Only**

SAFETY REPRESENTATIVE
Big Dog Rig Movers is looking for someone to be a part of our safety department. Must have knowledge of OSHA and DOT standards with 2-5 years experience. Must have valid drivers license and the ability to work well with other people. This is a full time position. Please send resume to **ringe@eeronline.com** or contact Ron Inge, Safety Director at **432-262-4319**

HEALTHCARE

Available Positions
Desert Gardens Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
3203 Sage Street
Midland, TX 79705
Desert Gardens located in Midland, Texas is currently seeking qualified Nursing staff to fill the following Positions:
· Business Office Manager
· Medication Aide for 6-2 Shift Monday - Friday.
· Restorative Aide (1 position) Monday - Friday with experience.
· CNA 6-2 position Monday - Friday.
· CNA 10-6 position on a rotating schedule. · Housekeeper
· Floor Tech with experience · Dietary Aide
$1,000 Sign on BONUS Apply in person.

Available Positions
Dynamic Therapy Services Seeking energetic PRN, Physical Therapists and Speech Pathologists. Call us! 432-685-3505

Part time Medical Assistants & Exp. Sonographer
Somno Systems is looking for part time medical assistants and sonographer with experience. Please send resume to **info@somnosystems.com**

Physician Assistant/Nurse Practioner
Neurosurgical practice (Midland) has immediate opening for a Texas licensed **PA or NP**. Call Beverly at 432-682-4307 to schedule interview

HEALTHCARE

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

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

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

Immediate Openings
DoubleTree by Hilton Midland Plaza has immediate openings for the following positions: • Front Desk Clerks • Night Auditors • Bartenders • Cocktail Servers • Cooks • Valet • Cashier/Hostess
Please apply to Human Resources, 117 W. Wall.

LAW ENFORCEMENT & SECURITY

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NOW HIRING!!
Security officers: $11.50 to $13.00 an hour
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Contact Colton Walsh at 903-603-0743 or coltonwalsh776@yahoo.com

MANAGEMENT & EXECUTIVE

Installer Helper & Sales
The Fireplace FT
Installer helper and sales positions open. Full time, must be able to work Saturdays. Call The Fireplace 432-620-0200 or come buy 4928 N. Lamesa Rd., Midland, Tx

OTHER JOBS

All Positions
Firehouse Subs FT
Midland, TX 79701
Now hiring Slice, Prep, Cashiers, Catering & Kitchen help for AM/PM positions. Apply in person: 2900 W. Loop 250 North, Ste 162.

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Landscaping Help
Kut-Rite Tree & Lawn now hiring Landscaping help. Starting pay $12 per hour. Please call 432-561-8802 or 432-638-6163

Petroleum Landman
Hilliard Energy F/T
Hilliard Energy has an opening for an oil and gas landman. Candidate must have a minimum of 2 years title and negotiations experience (running mineral, lease hold and surface title; acquiring leases and surface agreements), willingness to travel, and a clean driving record. To apply, send resume to **careers@mmbo.com** or for more info call 432-683-9100

Resident Monitor, Full Time & Relief Cook, Administrative Clerk
Dismas Charities FT/PT
Midland, TX 79701
Dismas Charities is hiring Full-time, Part-time & relief staff for the positions of Resident Monitor, Administrative Clerk and Full Time & Relief Cook (part-time, up to 25hrs/wk $9.64/hr + $3.81). Walk-in applicants are welcome at: 24 W. Industrial Loop

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

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Emergency Shelter Administrator
Emergency Shelter Administrator: Full time position with benefits for a respected Child Placing Agency, High Sky Children's Ranch. Requires strong leadership skills, ability to develop a team, monitor a high volume documentation requirements, light travel and on call. Position requires a minimum of a Bachelor's Degree. Preference given to applicants with Master's in Social Work or related field. 2 years supervisory experience preferably in the Social Work field including a QRO or CPA setting. If you would like a full job description or to send a resume, contact Shawna Bowerman at shawnab@highsky.org. Position closes 4/21/14. No phone calls please.

OTHER JOBS

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

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

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

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

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

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QA & QUALITY CONTROL

Quality Assurance/Quality Control Technician

T H Hill Associates, the Leader in third party monitoring services for the drilling side of the oil and gas industry is seeking qualified personnel to work as Quality Assurance/ Quality Control Technicians in the Midland/Odessa area. The following qualifications are highly desired: Experience in the inspection, assembly and testing of downhole drilling tools; Experience with NDT Inspection and Quality Assurance/ Control procedures; Experience in the enforcement of technical specifications and SOPs; Engineering & Industrial Technology experience. Technical writing skills, reliable transportation and a laptop computer are required. Position requires travel and overtime availability. Benefits include guaranteed hours, Medical, Dental, and Life Insurance, 401K opportunities and paid vacation. Please email your resume to careers@thhill.com. For more information, please visit our website at www.thhill.com.

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

Multiple Positions

Basin Burger House FT/PT

Now hiring for All Positions, **Line Cooks, Prep Cooks, Waitstaff , Hostess, and Shift Managers.** Join our team! Apply in person after 2 pm at 607 N Colorado, Downtown Midland.

Now Hiring

Lori's Cafe hiring Full Time Servers & Cooks ($12 starting, more with experience. Apply in person at 2201 W. Wall, Midland

Now Interviewing for Hourly & Salary Managers!

Genghis Grill is growing and our career opportunities are getting better by the day! We are currently looking for hourly and salary **Managers.** No early mornings or late nights, flexible schedules, and fun environment. We offer competitive salary and bonus structure along with a full benefits program. Send resume, cover letter and salary requirements to be considered to **dparra@genghisgrill.com.** Employment is contingent upon satisfactory results of a background check and drug screen. EOE

Restaurant Positions

Osaka Japanese Steakhouse FT

Would you like to make **$15-$20** an hour? Now hiring Hibachi Chefs, Managers, Waitresses, Hostesses, Cashiers, Bartenders, Bus Help, Dishwashers & Kitchen Help. Please apply in person: **1207 Tradewinds Blvd. 79706.**

SALES JOBS

CASHIERS

Smoker's Outlet is looking for **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid weekly. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply.

FULL-PART TIME SALES ASSOCIATES

We are looking for **Insurance Associates** who possess these important qualities. *Cool under pressure, *Enjoy working hard, *Relate well to all kinds of people *Energetic, *Dedicated to meet customers needs. P&C license preferred. Must have customer service experience. Bilingual a plus. Please fax your resume to: **432-570-9501** or Mail to **P O Box 8830**, Midland, TX 79708. Bring by **4410 N Midkiff, Ste D1F, Midland, TX 79705.**

Outside Sales Representative

Local distribution center seeks **Outside Sales Representative**. Must be 18 years of age with clean driving record. Sales territory will include West Texas & Eastern New Mexico area. Duties will include daily deliveries and customer service to existing & newly established customers. Experience preferred but will train the right person. Send resume to **bob.moore55@yahoo.com**. EOE

Sales Associate and Assistant Managers

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

SKILLED LABOR

Electrician Apprentice

Immediate opening for an Electrician Apprentice. Sign-on bonus
Call 432-697-4439

FIELD MECHANIC

Basin Engine and Pump
Field Mechanic needed for Industrial Oilfield Shop. Experience is required. Uniforms provided. 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 **shawn@basinengine.com**. Office **432-570-1114**. Applications may be filled out at **1914 South County Rd 1083-Midland, TX**.

General Welders & Welders Helpers

Accepting applications between 8:30am & 4:30pm for **experienced welders and welders helper.** Apply in person at **Rush-Overland Manufacturing 2700 E. I-20 Odessa, TX 79766**. No phone calls please. E.O.E.

Landscape Help

Hunter's Ridge Apartments FT
4201 Andrews Hwy.
Midland, TX 79701
Landscaping help needed. Apply in person to Hunter's Ridge, Midland

Licensed Commercial Plumber & Exp. Helpers

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

MIDLAND MACHINIST

Set up and operation of CNC lathe. Good work ethics and flexibility to work 12 hour days and call in on weekends if needed. Will be required to read and understand drawings as well as read the measurement tools to produce a quality machined parts. Must have at least 2 years' experience machining connections. Pay to be discussed with each applicant and will be based on knowledge and skill set 20-25 dollars per hour. Please contact **Jimmy Turner at 936-230-7186** or email **jimmy.turner@conroemachine.com**.

SKILLED LABOR

Now Hiring

Oil field construction company hiring experienced heavy equipment operators and roustabouts for positions in Midland, Kermit, and surrounding areas. Paid time off and medical benefits. Please call 432-258-1339 for more information. Hablamos Espanol.

PRESSMAN

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an immediate opening in its Production Department for the position of: PRESSMAN for our Harris N 1650 Printing presses.
This 5-6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires: night shift/weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.
Send resume and salary requirements to:
John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701. E-mail:jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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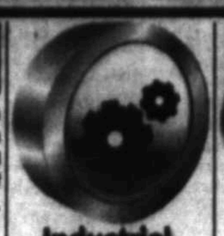
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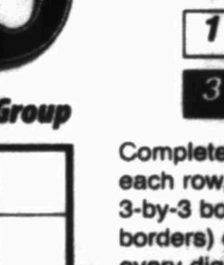
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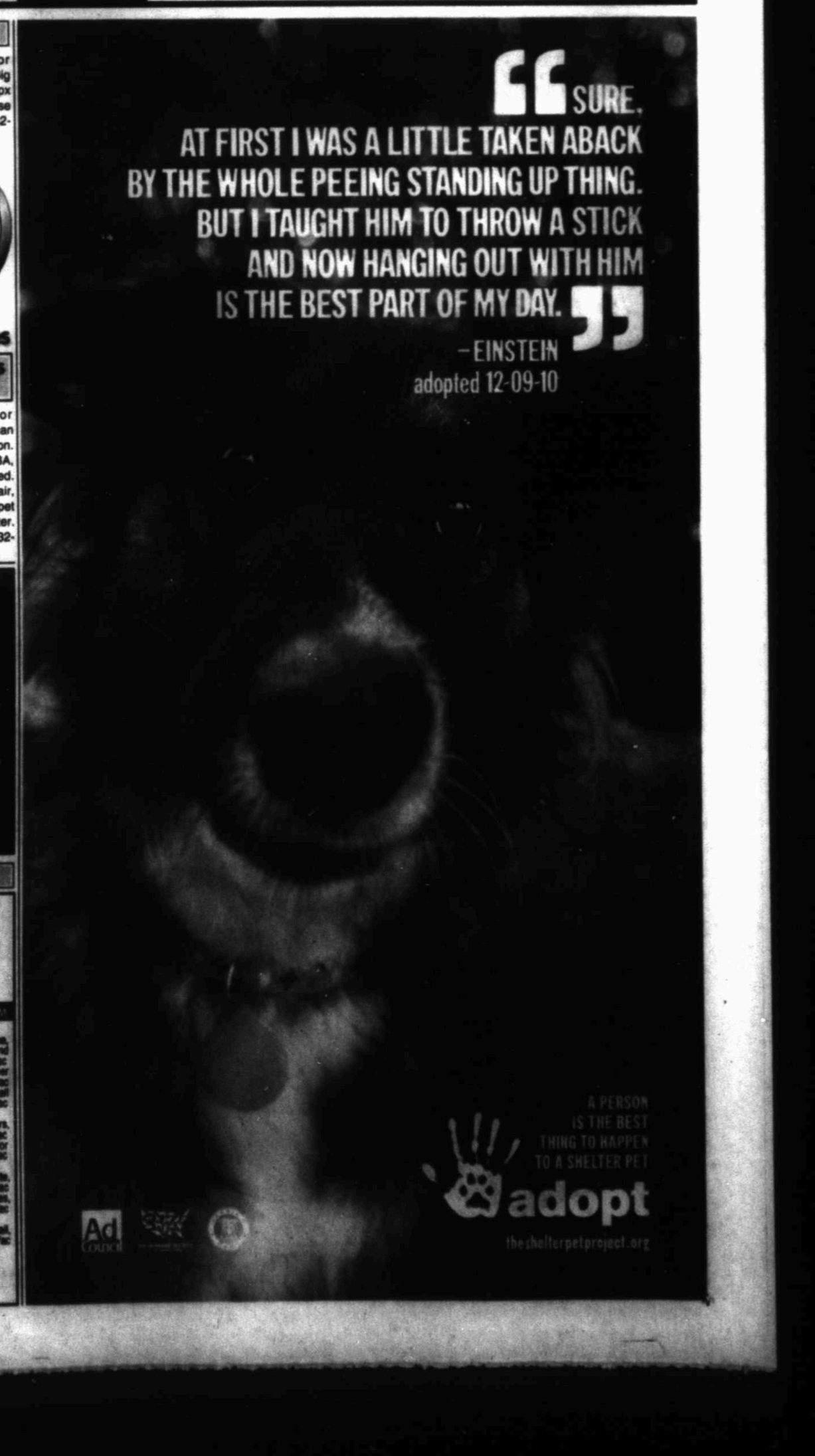
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MICROBES IN SPACE

Project MERCCURI

Astronauts, university scientists, NFL and NBA cheerleaders used kids' help in collecting **microbes** from shoes, cell phones and the places where kids live, go to school and play.

It is part of an international Citizen Scientist project that will study microbes and map the different kinds of microbes on Earth. In March, some of the microbes traveled to space and are part of experiments on the International Space Station to study the effects of zero gravity on microbes.



Kids around the world swabbed for microbes at major sports arenas, movie theaters and other places where large groups of people gather. They even swabbed the bases at the home field of the San Francisco Giants.

What's Citizen Science?

On Christmas Day in 1900, Frank Chapman, an officer in the Audubon Society, decided to organize his friends to count birds. He didn't know it then, but **citizen science** was born.

Citizen science asks people everywhere to observe or collect something — birds, frogs, flowers, even microbes. This information, or data, is sent to trained scientists to analyze.



It's like giving scientists thousands of eyes and hands to observe and collect information for their studies. And for kids and adults, it's a chance to connect with the outside world in a real, meaningful — and often fun — way.

What are microbes?

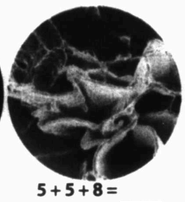
Microbes, sometimes called microorganisms, are tiny living things. They are so small they can only be seen with a microscope but they are all around us – and ON us, too. Many microbes are helpful, but some can cause illnesses. Here are some common microbes as seen through a microscope. **Do the math to identify each of them.**



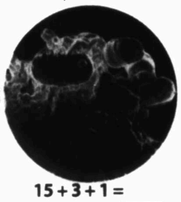
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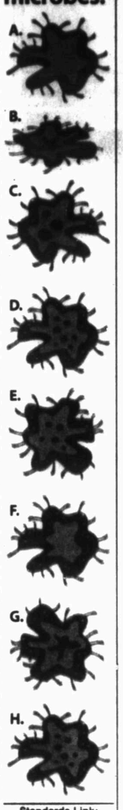
18 = Salmonella
Salmonella is a bacteria found on chicken and turkey that can make you sick if not cooked properly.

19 = E. coli
E. coli is a bacteria that lives in your gut. Some strains are required for good health, while others can make you sick.

20 = Influenza
Influenza is a virus that can give you the illness commonly called "the flu" for short.

21 = Lactobaccilus casei
This important member of the microbial community in the human gut and is found in probiotics, such as yogurt and kefir.

Find the two identical microbes.



ANSWER: D & H

Standards Link: Visual Discrimination Find similarities and differences in common objects

Extra! Extra!

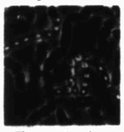
Healthy Hunt

Look through the newspaper to find:

- 3 things that are good for your health
- 5 words that describe how you feel when healthy

Standards Link: Health: Students recognize healthy practices.

Project MERCURRI microbes were collected from all over the country.



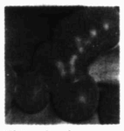
These microbes came from the practice field of the Oakland Raiders.



This microbe came from a residential toilet seat.



This microbe came from a keyboard at WHYY-FM radio, Philadelphia.



This microbe came from a cheerleader practice mat in Apopka, Florida.

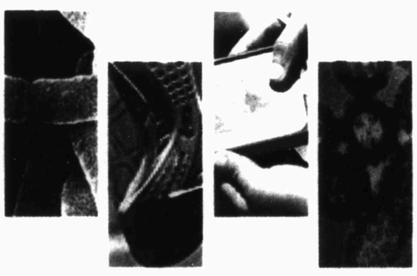


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Kid Scoop Puzzler

Scientists look at things very closely. Look closely at the images below. Each one comes from one of the pictures on this page. Can you figure out where each of these photos is from?



Standards Link: Visual Discrimination: Find similarities and differences in common objects.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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PROJECT
CITIZEN
SCIENCE
EFFECTS
STRAINS
ARENAS
YOGURT
COMMON
SPACE
SICK
TINY
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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

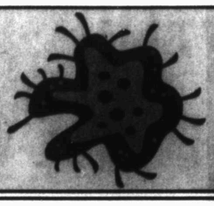
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Healthy Helps

Find ads or articles in the newspaper that promote a way to help fight infections or disease. Paste these on a sheet of paper. Write the illnesses each is supposed to prevent. Discuss the products' claims.

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Students evaluate the effectiveness of words to persuade the reader.



Why did the bacteria cross the microscope?

ANSWER: To get to the other side.

Weekly Writing Corner

Healthy Snacks

Why eat junk food when you can be happy and healthy? A delicious and healthy snack would be perfect for after school. Why not eat apples and peanut butter? It is healthy and delicious. I also recommend salt and oranges. You can eat apples and oranges too. I hope you like my suggestions for healthy, alternative snack choices.

Taylor Moralez,
4th grade, St. Ann's

Hey kids, even though candy tastes good, it's not good for your body. If you eat good foods you will be healthy. You will have a lesser chance of dying and you will be stronger.

Omar Ornelas,
4th grade, St. Ann's

We should eat healthy snacks so we can be healthy, I think. Also we won't be unhealthy and lazy. If you eat salads, you will look great but that does not mean you cannot have any sugar. Just one sweet a day or week. Also, you will look great and feel great.

Veronica Sanchez,
4th grade, St. Ann's

Celery and peanut butter together give you natural energy. When it gives you natural energy you will be ready to do anything you need to do. When you're tired you can just eat celery and peanut butter. You can eat it anywhere you go. It's an easy snack. Choose this healthy snack today!

Elian Muniz,
4th grade, St. Ann's

He kids, how many of you eat candy, unhealthy chips or food that has lots of calories or sugar? Are you tired all the time or having trouble doing stuff like running or doing stuff your friends can? Then tell your parents to bring you on down to Walmart. There, you can get Special K chips. This snack is so healthy. You will be able to do more with your friends and you will not be so tired. You can get them in all your favorite chip flavors. Grab some today!

Alyssa Rodriguez,
4th grade, St. Ann's

Hey kids! Do you want to hear about the new and healthy snacks? The new snack is Fruit Mix! It is just like Chex Mix but with fruit! It has five kinds of fruit. They are apples, oranges, peaches, cherries, and kiwi. Dried fruit is better than salty pretzels and other unhealthy snacks. Fruit Mix is a healthy snack that will do a body good! Enjoy, kids!

Korbin Aguilar,
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