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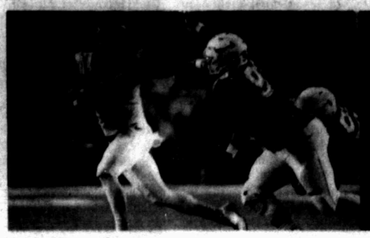

TCU TAKES TOP SPOT

TCU moves up to No. 3, becoming the latest team with a loss to jump past undefeated Florida State and further distancing itself from Big 12 rival Baylor. Read about this and more in Sports.

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NEW PROJECT FOR AN EVOLVING CITY

Courtesy renderings

These renderings show the proposed Hotel Santa Rita No. 1 project, which follows the terminated Energy Tower(s) at City Center project for the former Midland County Courthouse lot.

Developers propose downtown boutique hotel for Midlanders

■ Hotel Santa Rita No. 1 to have features reminiscent of Permian Basin

Editor's note: The Reporter-Telegram will have community reaction of the Hotel Santa Rita No. 1 project in Thursday's edition.

By Joseph Basco
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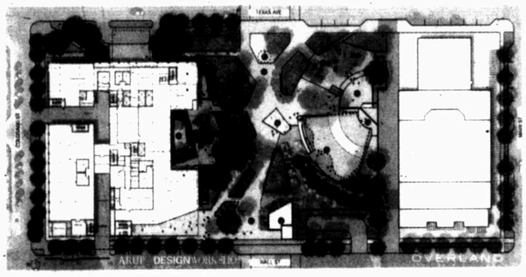

A boutique hotel is planned for the center of downtown — adorned with references to Midland's history — and will be developed by people with Midland roots.

Hotel Santa Rita No. 1 is a 17-floor development with accompanying building projected to cost about $90 million to $105 million. The hotel also features residential, retail and ballroom space, a workout center, swimming pools and office space.

The project includes redevelopment of Centennial Plaza and construction of a two-floor, underground parking garage with 467 spaces — public improvements in the $20 million range.

Tim Blonkvist, founding principal of Overland Partners, said the costs right now are "ballpark numbers" and there are still discussions to be had. Developers will negotiate with the city of Midland for an incentive agreement on the public portions of the project. Developers said they were not interested in requesting long-term tax abatements.

"The parts that we want the city to participate in are the parts that are going to really serve the whole city, the people that live here," Blonkvist said. "We're not asking them to build our building."

The entire project is 200,000 square feet. Of that, the tower portion is 110,000 square feet, the nine condominiums total 12,000 square feet, the office space totals 34,000 square feet and the apartments are 47,000 square feet.

The development will be full of references to Midland and the Permian Basin, as developers envision this project being for Midlanders. Renderings show portions of the hotel will be metallic and earthy, the swimming pool will resemble the actual shape of the Permian Basin

Please see **PROJECT**/4A

MPD: Situation required officers to use deadly force

■ Police chief: 'I support those officers 100 percent'

By Tessa Duvall
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As Midland Police Department Training Coordinator Allen Payne stood next to a table of the department's less lethal weapons, he explained that in some cases, these lead bags and launchers might be all the officers have to gain control of a situation after other methods fail.

MPD uses Remington 870 shotguns converted to discharge a less-lethal, 40-gram lead bag, as well as Sage single launcher that shoots a 37-millimeter round at 175-feet-per-second round, Payne said at a presentation to the media Tuesday at MPD's training range. Being hit by a less lethal round has the same impact as being struck by a baseball thrown at 90 mph.

"If this doesn't work, and as far as the reasonable doctrine states, this is really our last option prior to deadly force," Payne said. "We've utilized everything from talking, to our hands, to potential chemical weapons, to impact weapons like these; you're really kind of at a point where you're out of options besides lethal

Please see **MPD**/4A

Lower speed limits coming to drilling areas

By Aman Batheja
Texas Tribune

With accident rates soaring on some roads in the state's bustling oil fields, the Texas Department of Transportation is stepping up efforts to lower speed limits on particularly dangerous routes.

Under a recently adopted emergency rule change, the agency can decide in four weeks to reduce speed limits by up to 12 miles per hour on some roads, bypassing its normal review process that typically takes months.

"Basically, if we know the crash data is higher than the state average on a particular road, then we could move faster," TxDOT spokeswoman Veronica Beyer said.

The change only covers rural two-lane, two-way roads that are less than 24 feet wide and are part of the state highway system. Traffic spawned by the state's drilling boom has made small roads in oil areas increasingly hazardous.

Drilling a natural gas or oil well typically requires thousands of trucks traveling to the well site, hauling millions of gallons of water and other materials. Between 2009 and 2013, fatal accidents involving commercial vehicles spiked more than 240 percent in the major drilling regions in South and West Texas, while climbing just 50 percent statewide.

Increased oil field traffic also tears up the roads, reducing safety further.

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The big number
Two teenagers were foiled by
1 stick shift
when they attempted to carjack a vehicle, authorities said. Page 3A

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Hydraulic fracturing a 'nuisance,' Denton tells court

By Jim Malewitz
Texas Tribune

One day before its first-in-Texas ban on hydraulic fracturing is set to take effect, Denton called the oil and gas extraction technique a "public nuisance" that the North Texas town has the right to regulate.

"Those activities have caused conditions that are subversive of public order and constitute an obstruction of public rights of the community as a whole," Denton's attorneys wrote in a legal brief filed Monday. "Such conditions include, but are not limited to, noise, increased heavy truck traffic, liquid spills, vibrations and other offensive results."

The argument came in the city's two-page response to a lawsuit filed by the Texas Oil and Gas Association just hours after Denton voters overwhelmingly approved a ban on hydraulic fracturing on election night Nov. 4.

Texas' largest petroleum group is asking a Denton County district court to declare the ban invalid and unenforceable, saying it infringes on the state's right to regulate drilling — and mineral owners' right to develop their resources.

"While home-rule cities like Denton may certainly regulate some aspects of exploration and drilling, TXOGA does not believe that they may enact ordinances that outlaw conduct, like hydraulic fracturing, that has been approved and regulated by state agencies," Tom Phillips, a former chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court, said shortly after the group sued. (Phillips is now a lawyer with the firm Baker Botts, which is representing the petroleum group in the dispute.)

In its response, Denton said the petroleum group did not identify specific state regulations that make its ban unconstitutional.

"The suit is premised on the (Railroad Commission of Texas) completely occupying the field of regulation," said Jim Bradbury, a Fort Worth-based lawyer who focuses on environmental and energy issues. "Denton is rightly seeking to have them identify the actual regulations that supposedly occupy the field."

Denton's measure does not prohibit drilling outright; it would apply only to fracturing, which involves blasting apart underground rock with millions of gallons of chemical-laced water hauled in by trucks.

But opponents of the ban say it would make gas beneath the city too difficult to profitably tap — amounting to a drilling ban.

Texas law says the state intends its mineral resources to be "fully and effectively exploited," but courts have said the power is not absolute. The Railroad Commission has jurisdiction over all oil and gas wells in the state, with authority to adopt "all necessary rules for governing and regulating persons and their operations." Local governments have the right to impose reasonable health and safety restrictions, and the Legislature has granted most Texas cities, including Denton, the power to "regulate exploration and development of mineral interests."

It is unclear where fracturing falls on that spectrum.

The lawsuit is one of two challenges Denton faces in the aftermath of its vote. The Texas General Land Office filed a lawsuit in Travis County, saying the ban threatens the state's royalty interests, which flow into the $37.7 billion Permanent School Fund.

On Monday, Denton's attorneys asked to move that suit to Denton County, arguing it's a "mandatory venue" for a case concerning property interests there.

Three private law firms are helping the city defend the ban. Denton officials say they can tap a $4 million "risk fund" for such matters.

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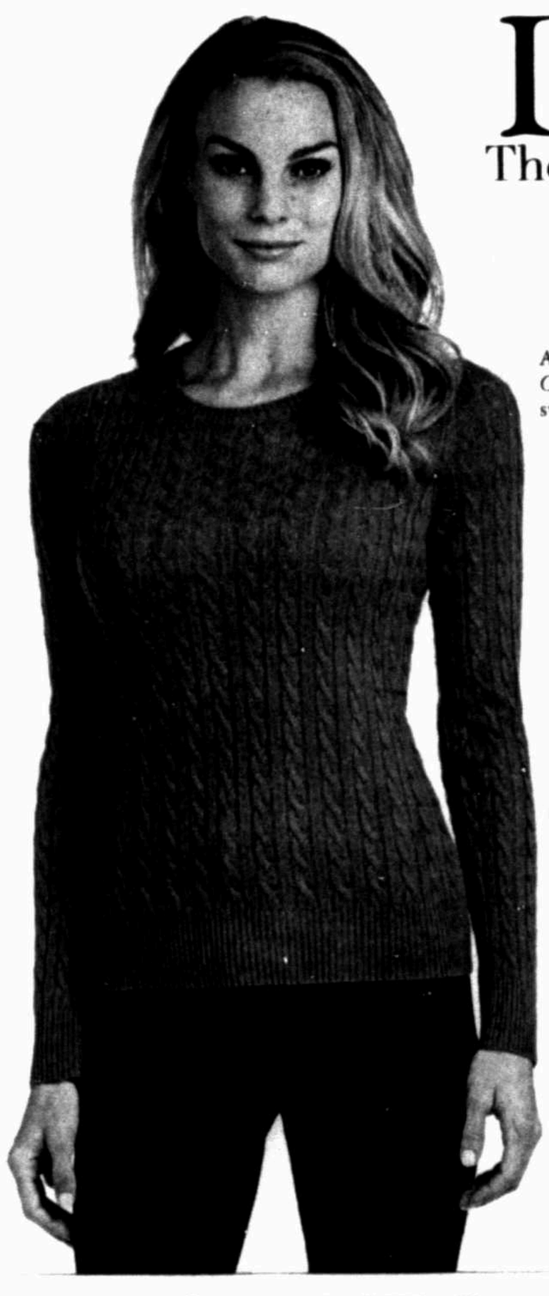

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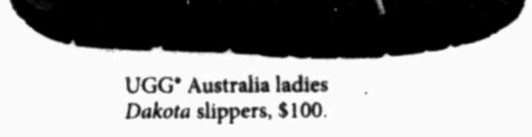

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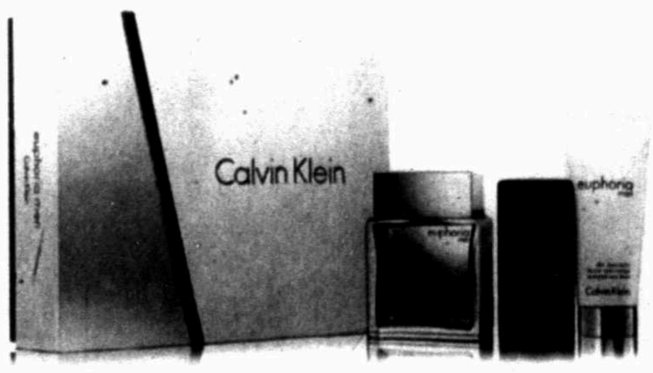

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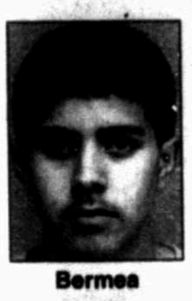
CRIMEBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Three men arrested for burglary of multiple buildings

Two 17-year-old Midland men and a minor were arrested Saturday for allegedly burgling multiple businesses, according to court documents.

Seventeen-year-olds Andrew Bermea and Randy Lopez were each charged separately with two counts of state jail felonies for burglary of a building.



Bermea

Lopez

Bermea was released Monday on a $40,000 bond, and Lopez was released Tuesday on a $40,000 bond, according to documents. The identity of the minor involved in the burglaries was not released by the Midland Police Department.

The men were arrested after Midland Police officers responded to a burglary alarm at Villa Villa drive-thru liquor store at 2510 W. Front Street, according to documents. The officers located a truck at the intersection of West Washington Street and Clark Street with Lopez and Bermea in the front seats. The officers stated that the two men leaned their seats back when officers approached the vehicle. The officers removed the men from the vehicle and upon a search of the truck found packaged alcoholic beverages that were cold to the touch, a cash register, a black gun case and a baseball bat with glass fragments on it.

According to court documents, while the officers were apprehending Lopez and Bermea, they heard a whistle in their direction. One officer went to check the area and saw a minor running away. He was apprehended after a short chase and taken into custody.

Lopez told police, according to court documents, that he, Bermea and the minor were out drinking in Bermea's truck and driving around the neighborhood when the minor came up with the idea of breaking into buildings in Midland. The first building the group hit was Dress Up Thrift Store on the 300 block of North Marienfeld Street. The men used rocks to break a window, after which they stole money from the register before fleeing.

According to court documents, Lopez said they then drove around for a few hours before breaking into the PMJ Janitorial Service on the 2300 block of Elizabeth Avenue. The men again broke a window with rocks and then stole an empty black gun case. They fled the scene before police arrived.

The final store that they broke into, according to court documents, was the Villa Villa on the 2500 block of West Front Street. The men used a baseball bat to break out a glass window. The minor entered the store and stole multiple cases of alcoholic beverages while Lopez and Bermea stood watch.

The minor, according to court documents, was taken to the Midland County Barbara Culver Youth Detention Center. Lopez and Bermea were each booked on two counts of burglary of building. If convicted, Lopez and Bermea face a maximum of four years in prison each for the state jail felony charges.

Midland man arrested for aggravated assault

A 52-year-old Midland man was arrested on Sunday for allegedly assaulting a family member with a weapon, according to court documents.

Gregory Webster was charged Sunday with a first-degree felony of aggravated assault on a date/family/house member with a weapon. He was being held on a $100,000 bail as of Tuesday night.

Midland Police officers responded to a disturbance call Sunday night in the 300 block of East Fiesta Avenue. Officers, according to documents, made contact with the alleged victim, who stated she and Webster had an argument during which Webster allegedly struck her in the face multiple times. The alleged victim escaped to a bedroom with Webster following. The alleged victim alleged that Webster picked up a hammer and struck her in the back of the head and then dragged her around the house. At one point the alleged victim stated that Webster bit her in the left arm.

Webster

The alleged victim, according to court documents, said Webster was inside the home and the officers attempted to make contact with Webster. When they were unable to, they kicked in the door and entered the home, announcing themselves again. The officers alleged that Webster came around a corner in a very aggressive manner and was given multiple commands to get on the ground. Officers arrested Webster with no further incident.

If convicted, Webster could face up to 99 years in prison for the first-degree felony charge.

FELONYARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Scotti L. Batten, 37, of Midland was charged Monday with abandoning or endangering a child with criminal negligence.

Jordan T. Brown, 23, of Midland was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance between four grams and 200 grams, assault on a public servant and attempting to take a weapon from an officer.

Amanda J. Chandler, 34, of Midland was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance of less than one gram in a drug-free zone.

Taylor N. Treece, 21, of Gardendale was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance of less than one gram.

Preston L. White Jr., 31, of Midland was charged Monday with evading arrest with a vehicle and possession of a controlled substance of less than one gram in a drug-free zone.

Shannon M. Young, 33, of Midland was charged Monday with reckless injury to a child/elderly/disabled person with serious bodily injury.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

STATECRIME

FROM WIRE REPORTS

HOUSTON

Carjackers thwarted by car's stick shift

Authorities say two teenagers attempting to carjack a vehicle in Houston were foiled by a stick shift.

The pair held the motorist at gunpoint last weekend and demanded that he tell them how to drive the vehicle. After the driver provided a few instructions, the teens ordered him out of the vehicle. He then called police.

A brief police chase ensued. Stefan Happ, an officer for the University of Texas at Houston, told KPRC-TV the teens "had issues operating the vehicle."

The pair opted to flee on foot and were later apprehended.

BELLAIRE

Police: Suspect dies after car strikes coffee shop

The driver of a car that fled Houston police has died after his vehicle struck a Starbucks coffee shop, causing extensive damage to the building.

Houston police spokeswoman Jodi Silva told the Houston Chronicle the pursuit Tuesday ended in the suburb of Bellaire. It wasn't immediately clear why police were pursuing the unidentified man, who died at the scene.

No other injuries were reported.

The dark-colored sedan appeared to strike the outside of the Starbucks before flipping and coming to rest upside down adjacent to the building.

Silva said the sedan appeared to strike the exterior of the Starbucks without continuing inside.

AUSTIN

Man charged with arson in nursing home fire

A 66-year-old Austin nursing home resident has been charged with arson after investigators say he set the building on fire.

The Austin American-Statesman reported Radcliffe Finley was being held at the Travis County Jail Tuesday morning on $50,000 bond. Austin Fire Department investigators said Finley lit the blaze that caused 30 staff members and 122 residents to evacuate the Southpark Meadows Nursing and Rehabilitation Center on Nov. 25.

Two staff members were treated for smoke inhalation.

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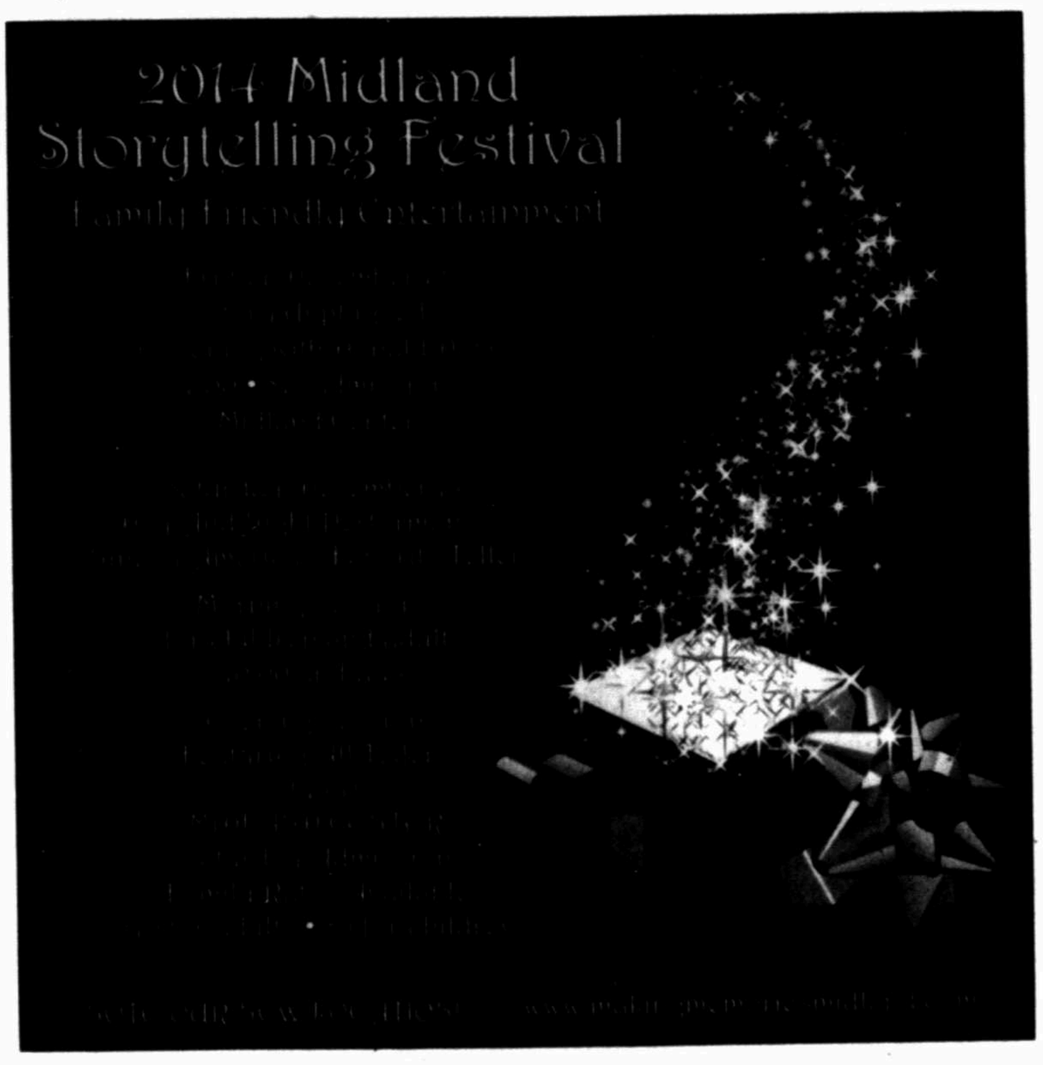

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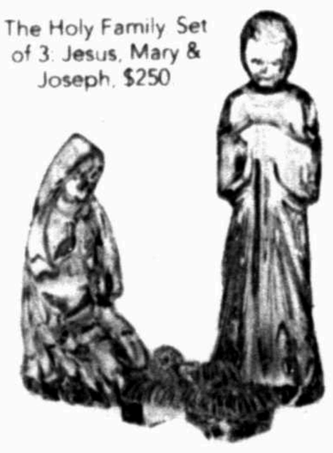

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Midland tops a 'fresh start' list

Badcredit.org's Top 10 Best Cities for a Financial Fresh Start. The website said that they sought out cities that offered the "best chance to build financial security, regardless of a person's past mistakes or misfortunes."

1. Midland
2. Logan, Utah
3. Fargo, North Dakota
4. Bismarck, North Dakota
5. Sioux Falls, South Dakota
6. Lincoln, Nebraska
7. Grand Forks, North Dakota
8. Mankato, Minnesota
9. Rapid City, South Dakota
10. Billings, Montana

Things to do

Today

■ Storytime, 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us.

■ Christmas at the Mansion preview party, 7-11 p.m., Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org.

Thursday

■ Holiday Evening at MC, 5:30-7 p.m., Midland College. midland.edu.

■ Fourth Annual Holiday Celebration, 7:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Community calendar

■ Midland County Sheriff's Office and Midland County Sheriff's Association will be distributing National Child Identification Program fingerprint and DNA swab kits 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday and Dec. 13. The kits are free. For more information, call the Midland County Sheriff's Office, 688-4600.

■ Midland Health & Senior Services, 3303 W. Illinois Ave. at Kingsway mall, is offering the flu vaccine. Cost is $35; insurance and Medicare are accepted.

For more information, call 681-7613.

Support groups, club meetings today

■ Overeaters Anonymous; noon, B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.

■ Midland Downtown Lions Club, noon to 1 p.m., 200 Plaza St. (old Hodge Theater).

How sick are you?

Midland Memorial Hospital has partnered with Medical Center Hospital in Odessa for the telephone nurse triage program "68-NURSE" to bring the service to the entire Permian Basin.

The program is designed to help people determine whether their health situation warrants a trip to the emergency room. Midland residents can call the line by dialing 686-8773.

The program is free and available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Local nurses are available to help you determine the best place to receive care for your situation. 68-NURSE can help you save time and money by directing you to the most appropriate healthcare option, whether it's a neighborhood clinic, urgent care center, emergency room or just at home.

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Note: The complete Lotto results for Tuesday night were not available as of press time.

Today in history

Today is Wednesday, Dec. 3, the 337th day of 2014. There are 28 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1833, Oberlin College in Ohio — the first truly coeducational school of higher learning in the United States — began holding classes.

In 1964, police arrested some 800 students at the University of California at Berkeley, a day after the students stormed the administration building and staged a massive sit-in.

In 1979, 11 people were killed in a crush of fans at Cincinnati's Riverfront Coliseum, where the British rock group The Who was performing.

Today's birthdays: Rock singer Ozzy Osbourne is 66. Actress Julianne Moore is 54.

GINGERLY BUILDING FUNDS

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Hundreds came out Tuesday for the first day of the Gingerbread Haven fundraiser benefiting Midland Fair Havens. Be sure to check out Faith & Philanthropy for more coverage in Friday's edition of the Reporter-Telegram.

MPD

From 1A

force."

The presentation was prompted by MPD officers' use of force in an attempted to end Monday's nearly four-hour-long standoff with 49-year-old Rosendo Gino Rodriquez in the 2700 block of West Washington Avenue. Police entered the home at about 2 p.m. to find Rodriquez holding a machete and fired multiple bean bag rounds to get him to drop the weapon. When that failed and Rodriquez continued to swing the machete, officers responded with gunfire, killing Rodriquez.

A city press release identified the MPD officers involved as Sgt. Mitch Russell and Officer Sean Sharp. Per department policy, they have been placed on paid administrative leave until an internal review board makes a determination about their actions. The Texas Rangers are conducting a parallel investigation.

MPD Chief Price Robinson said he supports his officers "100 percent."

"Those officers were put in a situation where they had to use deadly force," he said at the presentation. "Those instances like that happen in a millisecond ... trying to hit a moving target with an impact (less lethal) weapon, when your life is on the line, it's just impossible to do.

"You're just going to react as you've been trained to neutralize a threat. And that's what they did."

MPD officers have different levels of force they can use to respond to situations, Payne said.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

MPD training coordinator Allen Payne talks about the less lethal options available to Midland Police officers, including a bean bag shot gun shell and a rubber/plastic 37mm Sage projectile.

"We don't look at specific levels as far as you start on one and end on the other," he said. "You take the situation, and what would a reasonable and prudent peace officer do in that situation?"

Officers carry some batons, OC spray and their handgun as their standard weapons. Use of force includes handcuffs and wristlocks, physical combatives such as fists, elbows and knees and OC spray and batons. Less lethal methods include the Remington and Sage weapons, as well as K-9 units. The final option is deadly force.

Less lethal weapons are used in situations where subjects are armed with deadly weapons, or when a person is extremely combative, Payne said.

Some patrol officers and the SWAT team use the less lethal guns, and officers must be trained and qualify before they can use the weapons on duty, Payne said. SWAT has its own training program, but other officers must go through a four-hour course and demonstrate their proficiency on the weapons on a life-sized "rubber man target" at the training range. Officers then must re-qualify every year.

Supervisors have a say in which officers can use the weapons and prior questionable uses of force are considered, he said.

Payne said MPD has deployed less lethal weapons at least three times this year. Officers are trained to first aim for the arms, legs or lower abdomen as the chance of fatality rises if a person is struck in the face, throat, spine or sternum.

"The weapon does its job when it's done the right way, but there are factors that can go into that," Payne said. "As with anything, you're going to have some success and you're going to have some failures. Generally, it's reasonable to think that if you get hit in the leg or the arm or lower abdomen with a 90 mile-an-hour fastball, you get a response. Again, there are people who are not going to get that response. Success is also hard to define, as well.

"To shoot an extremity on a moving suspect is very, very hard," Payne added. "It's hard to get a leg or arm in that situation. It's hard to say that one is always going to be enough. It really depends on the totality of the circumstances."

Officers fired multiple less lethal rounds at Rodriquez on Monday, but Robinson said he doesn't know how many rounds were fired or struck Rodriquez. He expects the ongoing Texas Rangers investigation to reveal how many conventional bullets struck Rodriquez. It has still yet to be confirmed if Rodriquez fired at the mental health deputies who first responded to his home Monday morning.

Robinson said the department has always opted for less lethal projectiles over stun guns.

"We feel that those tools are adequate for just about any situation," he said. "Are they perfect? No. Are the Tasers perfect? No. In the past, in reviewing use of force reports, I've seen instances where those extended range impact weapons are effective.

"One instance, in particular, several years ago, officers confronted a man who was shooting at them with a nail gun. They shot him one time with an extended range impact weapon — being the bean bag weapon — and he surrendered and ended that confrontation."

While he can't speak from experience about the emotional effect on officers who use deadly force, Robinson said MPD will provide any kind of support and counseling the officers involved might need.

"I want those guys to go home safe to their families," he said. "The use of deadly force is unfortunate on both sides, for the victim, and the officers have to live with that for the rest of their lives that they used deadly force."

PROJECT

From 1A

and the development is pushed more eastward so that it does not block the view of the historic Petroleum Building north of the development. Also planned is interior artwork that will invoke the overhead view of Midland with its many oil wells, and the name of the hotel itself is a callback to the reason why Midland is what it is today. Developers want to make this project liked by locals but simultaneously feature amenities from major cities worldwide, such as an Epicurean food market.

The Hotel Santa Rita No. 1 team is composed of experienced developers that have built similar "city center" type projects worldwide, coming from firms such as Overland Partners, Bond Partners, Arup Engineering and Design Workshop. Representatives from OGX Resources, namely Kip Agar and Richard Coats, are Midlanders who live in Midland and invested in the project.

As someone who has Midland roots, as well, Blonkvist wants to give the locals a sense of pride and excitement with Hotel Santa Rita No. 1.

"The fact that the people that are doing this project are from Midland, grew up here and have family here shows we're all on the line to do something extraordinary here," Blonkvist said. "It's something the people are going to respond. And the fact that local people are putting their money into it is great because they're going to bring their friends and they're going to make sure the place is used."

The proposed project for the former Midland County Courthouse lot follows the terminated Energy Tower(s) at City Center project. The city of Midland owns the prime Wall Street property and is currently hearing proposals from developers, as well as obtaining cost estimates for the asbestos removal and demolition of the courthouse.

By the numbers

- Estimated cost: $90 million to $105 million
- Office and apartment building: $15 million
- Public costs: $20 million
- $15 million for the underground parking lot
- $5 million for sidewalk, park and other various public improvements
- 17 floors
- 200,000 square feet
- 110,000 square feet for the hotel tower
- 12,000 square feet for the condominiums
- 34,000 square feet for the office space
- 47,000 square feet for the apartments
- 182,000 square feet for the underground parking lot
- Two floors of parking with 467 spaces
- 2-acre park
- Estimated construction duration: 1 to 24 months
- Estimated completion date: December 2017

SPEED

From 1A

TxDOT says. At a meeting of the Texas Transportation Commission in October, Deputy Executive Director John Barton attributed the spike in accidents to energy sector traffic and a lack of funding for road repairs. The conditions create "an imminent safety condition that requires us to be more nimble," Barton said.

TxDOT normally uses a standardized approach to lowering speed limits, including measuring the speeds of as many as 125 cars in several locations along a road. Under the emergency order, TxDOT can lower speed limits without a full-blown study on roads with higher-than-average crash rates.

TxDOT officials declined to identify specific roads where speed limits will be lowered. Bee County, in the heart of the Eagle Ford Shale, appears likely to see changes soon. TxDOT singled out the county in its official notice of the emergency rule change. The crash rate on rural, two lane, two-way roadways in Bee County is three times higher than the statewide average, according to TxDOT.

Quickly cutting speed limits is just the latest approach TxDOT has taken to reduce accidents in the drilling regions. In 2013, agency officials announced it was converting some paved roads along popular drilling truck routes to gravel, arguing that the conversion made the roads safer. In response to widespread criticism, the agency put the project on hold after converting two road segments to gravel, and then canceled it outright in October.

Rural roads in the drilling regions also are likely to see increased maintenance work next year. Last month, 80 percent of Texas voters approved a proposition dedicating some oil and gas production taxes to the state highway fund. A first payment of $1.7 billion should be transferred to the fund later this month.

In emails, Jobs determined to keep iPod Apple-only

By Brandon Bailey
Associated Press

AP file photo

Former Apple Computer Inc. CEO Steve Jobs holds up an iPod during an event in San Jose, Calif., on Oct. 12, 2005. Jurors in a class-action lawsuit against Apple Inc. on Tuesday saw emails from the late CEO and his top lieutenants that show Jobs was determined to keep Apple's popular iPod music players free from songs that were sold by competing online stores.

OAKLAND, Calif. — Legendary Apple CEO Steve Jobs had seven words for a subordinate when he learned that a rival company was about to introduce a program that would let music fans buy songs anywhere and play them on Apple's iPod devices.

"We may need to change things here," Jobs said in a terse, 2005 email that was shown to jurors in federal court Tuesday, on the opening day of trial in a billion-dollar antitrust lawsuit that accuses Apple Inc. of using unfair tactics to maintain its dominance in the digital music business.

Attorneys for an estimated 8 million consumers and iPod resellers say Jobs' email spurred an internal campaign to keep Apple's popular iPods free of music that wasn't purchased from Apple's own iTunes store. By updating the iTunes and iPod software to block music from competing online stores, Apple maintained a closed system that discouraged consumers from buying competing music players, plaintiffs' attorney Bonny Sweeney argued Tuesday. That froze out makers of rival devices, and allowed Apple to sell iPods at inflated prices, she told jurors.

Plaintiffs' attorney Patrick Coughlin also showed jurors a 2003 email from Jobs, written about the launch of another competitor's online music store, which said, "We need to make sure that when Music Match launches" their store, "they cannot use iPod."

Apple lawyers deny the company competed unfairly. Several high-ranking Apple executives are expected to testify during the trial.

And while Jobs died in 2011, he is a central figure in the class-action case. Sweeney said she will show a video of Jobs testifying in a 2011 deposition later this week. A partial transcript of that session shows Jobs asserting he couldn't remember details of actions taken several years earlier, while also betraying signs of his legendary impatience. In one exchange with attorneys, Jobs acknowledged that he helped write a press release statement that accused RealNetworks of "adopting the tactics and ethics of a hacker to break into the iPod."

Jobs' statements have turned out to be pivotal in other antitrust cases that Apple has faced in recent years, including one in which a judge found Apple conspired with publishers to set e-book prices. In another, a federal judge cited "compelling evidence" that Jobs was a central figure in an alleged conspiracy by leading tech companies to abstain from hiring each other's employees.

A Stanford economist will testify later in the iPod trial that Apple overcharged iPod buyers by nearly $350 million. Under federal antitrust law, the Cupertino, California, company could be ordered to pay three times that amount if jurors agree that Apple's actions were anticompetitive.

But attorneys for Apple said their own experts will testify that the plaintiffs' economic analysis is deeply flawed. Apple lawyer William Isaacson also told jurors that Apple had legitimate competitive reasons to update its software with new consumer features as well as code that blocked music from other sources. Legitimate product improvements are allowed under antitrust law, regardless of their impact on competitors.

The close integration between Apple's iPods and its iTunes store allowed them to work better for consumers, Isaacson said, adding that software developed by rival music sellers such as RealNetworks could have posed a security threat to the iTunes software.

Associated Press

Louis Head, center front, Michael Brown's stepfather, and Brown's mother Lesley McSpadden, wearing sunglasses, react as they listen to the announcement that a grand jury decided not to indict Ferguson police officer Darren Wilson who fatally shot Brown. St. Louis County Police said Tuesday that authorities want to talk to Head about his angry comments as part of a broader investigation into arson, vandalism and looting that followed the Nov. 24 grand jury announcement.

Michael Brown's stepdad investigated for comments

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Police are investigating Michael Brown's stepfather for angry comments on the streets of Ferguson after a grand jury decided not to indict the police officer who fatally shot his stepson, a spokesman said Tuesday.

Officials want to talk to Louis Head about his comments as part of a broader investigation into the arson, vandalism and looting that followed the Nov. 24 grand jury announcement, St. Louis County Police spokesman Brian Schellman said. Twelve commercial buildings were destroyed by fire.

Brown, 18, who was black and unarmed, was killed Aug. 9 by Darren Wilson, who is white. Wilson, who resigned from the Ferguson department last weekend, had told the grand jury his life was being threatened, but some witnesses said Brown was trying to surrender.

Video widely circulated after last week's grand jury announcement shows Brown's mother, Lesley McSpadden, on top of a car and breaking down as the decision blares over a stereo. Head, her husband, comforts her then yells angry comments, including "Burn this (expletive) down!"

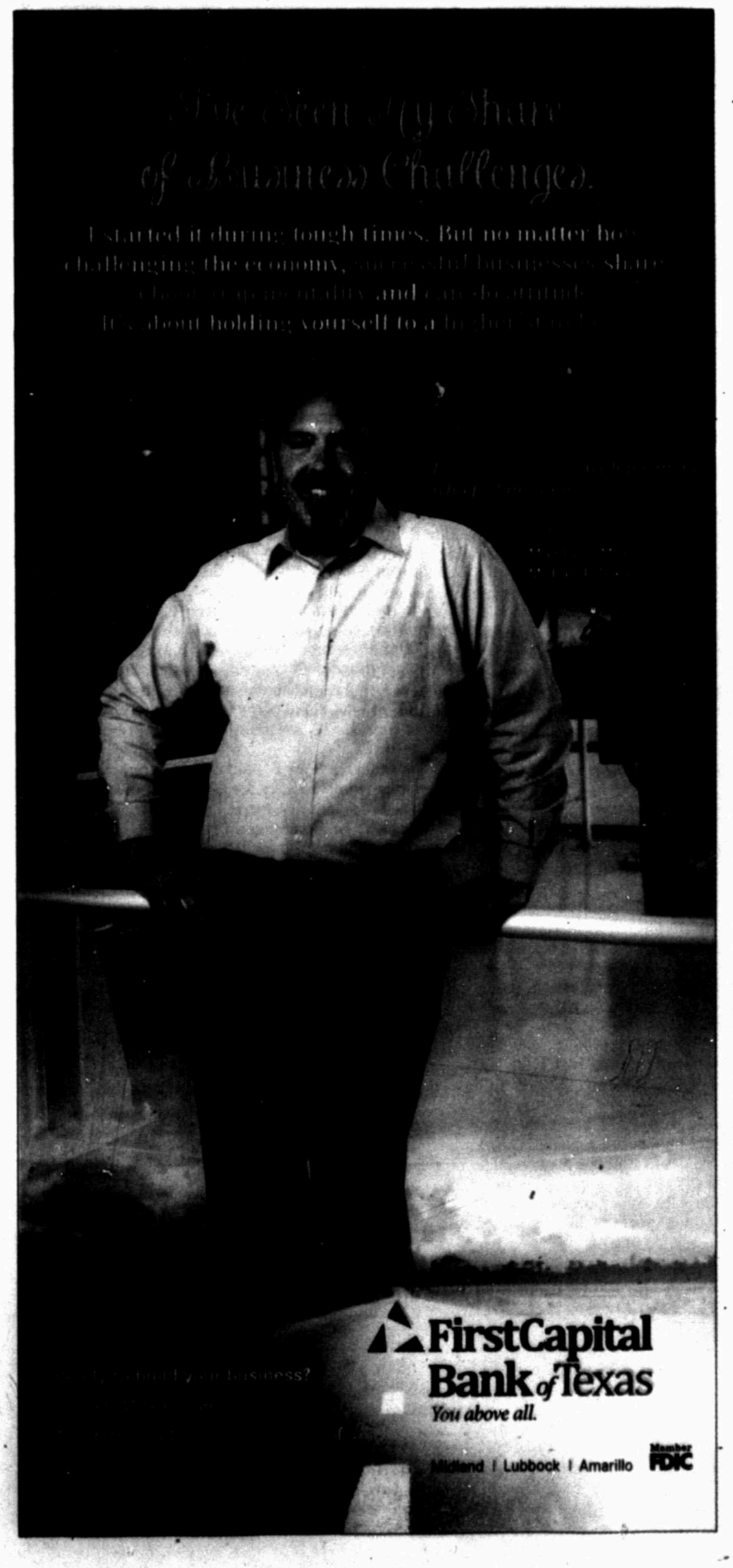
Family attorney Benjamin Crump has called the reaction "raw emotion" but "completely inappropriate." He did not immediately return messages seeking comment Tuesday.

Head has not yet been interviewed by police, and there is no timetable for when the investigation will be complete, Schellman said. He declined to discuss what specific charges Head could face. A message left with a spokesman for St. Louis County Prosecutor Bob McCulloch was not immediately returned.

Ferguson Police spokesman Jeff Small said that department is not conducting a separate investigation of Head.

Most of the violence occurred in the first two days after the announcement. Peaceful protests have continued, including one Tuesday involving students who walked out of classes from three Ferguson-area high schools.

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch reported that teachers joined the students and the Ferguson-Florissant School District provided buses to pick them up and return them to classes by mid-afternoon.



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OPINION

Let's move on from this post-Ferguson charade

■ Maybe there's something in it for Al Sharpton, but this doesn't rank up there with Selma or Birmingham

RICH LOWRY
King Features Syndicate

The White House response to Ferguson wouldn't be complete without a meeting with Al Sharpton, the infamous agitator who has become President Barack Obama's "go-to man on race," in the words of a Politico headline from last August.

So Sharpton was inevitably one of the civil-rights leaders at a White House meeting Monday. The president no doubt passed up the opportunity to direct Sharpton to the Treasury Department up the street, which would surely love to have him visit and make good on all the taxes he has avoided paying through the years.

A New York Times report found that there are $4.5 million in state and federal tax liens against him and his businesses. If the rest of the country had Sharpton's accountant, there would be no reason for anyone to call for tax cuts. Our complex and onerous tax code would be rendered irrelevant by simple nonpayment.

Despite a disdain for the Internal Revenue Service that would make the average anarcho-libertarian blush (among other embarrassments and scandals), Sharpton has leveraged himself into respectability with the Democratic establishment by making himself central to any national racial controversy. By rights, he should have given up any pretense to criminal forensics after his defamatory role in the Tawana Brawley hoax in the 1980s, but there he was at Ferguson, Missouri, suggesting the worst despite what turned out to be strong evidence that Officer Darren Wilson acted lawfully.

When the grand jury found there was insufficient evidence to indict Wilson, Sharpton pronounced that the Ferguson protesters had lost the battle, but not the war. What are they going to do to win, go out and find another cop to falsely accuse of a racial assassination and attempt to railroad into an indictment and conviction?

The Ferguson story has progressed from the tragedy of the initial incident to the outrage of the violence of the protests to a new phase of charade. The federal government must pretend to do something because it must ... do something.

But what national initiative is going to stop police officers from defending themselves when they feel as if they are under mortal threat, as Officer Wilson says he did?

The Justice Department investigation of Wilson on civil-rights grounds will almost certainly lead nowhere. The standard for such a prosecution is high, and if the evidence didn't merit a routine criminal prosecution, there is no way it can reasonably support a civil-rights charge.

President Obama is ordering the streamlining of the rules for providing surplus military equipment to police departments. Fine. But the militarization of the police had nothing to do with the original confrontation between Wilson and Michael Brown, and nothing to do with the ensuing violent protests in Ferguson, which rolled on regardless of the posture of the police.

The president wants funding for more body-worn cameras for local police, a worthy-enough experiment. But such a camera, assuming that what it captured was consistent with the most credible evidence, would have served to vindicate Wilson's version of events rather than the protestors' narrative of an extralegal killing.

The most needful reform in Ferguson and surrounding communities, per the excellent reporting of Radley Balko of The Washington Post, is the end of the obnoxious and parasitic practice of squeezing revenue out of residents with fines from traffic and other petty offenses. This creates an incentive for police to hassle motorists and is especially burdensome to poor residents. Since this issue is exceedingly local and dull, almost no one talks about it.

The facts have stopped mattering in Ferguson, if they ever did. It is probably destined to live on in the roll call of locales, like Selma and Birmingham, that are bywords for civil-rights abuses. Never mind that this distorts what happened in Ferguson and belittles the memory of past civil-rights battles. There are too many people too vested in the myth, with Al Sharpton leading the way.

GUEST VIEW

OPEC's decision puts oil-based economies in a tight spot

Houston Chronicle

If you're looking for some slick deals and price cuts this holiday shopping season, Wal-Mart and The Galleria have nothing on the oil market. Crude prices have plummeted across the globe. Benchmarks for the U.S. and global markets, comfortably above $100 per barrel just a few months ago, now hover below $70. These low prices aren't some one-day, Cyber Monday special. With OPEC's Thanksgiving Day decision not to cut petroleum production, expect crude to stay below its peak for a while.

For most of the world — and American foreign policy — this is good news. Cheaper petroleum means less expensive imports, and every dollar not spent on foreign oil is a dollar — or Yuan, Yen, Rupee and Euro — that can be spent on goods at home. This should mean an economic boost for United States allies, such as Japan and the European Union, which still suffer from sluggish economies.

The drop in prices will also undercut rogue nations like Venezuela, Iran and Russia, which have relied on high-priced oil exports to keep their budgets balanced. Those financial problems will only be compounded for Iran and Russia by international sanctions that make it difficult to borrow funds.

Here at home, however, the impact of low petroleum prices isn't so clear-cut. The American economy contains multitudes, and we're simultaneously the world's biggest consumer, importer and producer of oil. On one hand, lower prices mean that American consumers will save at the pump. And the petroleum-based industries that line Houston Ship Channel, such as chemical, plastics and fertilizer manufacturers, should see a windfall, too.

But Texans might as well stand alongside OPEC when it comes to relying on oil markets to power our economy. Analysts are comparing the plunging market to the 1980s — not exactly a period of time that Houstonians should want to repeat.

American oil wells won't be the first to succomb to lower prices. Oil from the Arctic and Canadian tar sands is still more expensive to produce, but Texas (fracturing) and shale plays aren't much further down the list. While it costs only $30 to get a barrel of oil in the Middle East, according to Norwegian firm Rystad Energy, it costs on average $62 in American shale. Oil companies that fill Houston's downtown skyscrapers and Energy Corridor complexes are already starting to slash their budgets after years on a spending spree.

This economic dynamic hints at OPEC's long-term strategy. American petroleum has flooded global markets and traditional oil powerhouses aren't going to risk losing their share of the pie by cutting production to boost prices. Instead, nations like Saudi Arabia have saved up a healthy financial reserve from the oil boom and are willing to burn through cash as cheap prices put competitors out of business.

So what can Texas do? Unlike OPEC nations, the federal government doesn't hold much control over national oil production. Our policy is one of free markets, and we should keep doing what we've been doing: Drill, baby, drill.

If we're going to have a trade war, folks might as well get a cheap tank of gas from it.

Bust is a four-letter word in Houston, but this feels more like a steady leak. Low prices may squeeze some small players, but most oil and gas companies aren't likely to plug up wells that have already been drilled.

Companies are better hedged than they were in the past. And (fracturing) wells have a shorter lifespan than traditional wells, which makes it easier for supply to naturally shrink. Technological innovation and the right business acumen could have the Houston economy falling back to Earth, instead of suffering a tailspin. Folks on the prowl for a new home, or entrepreneurs looking for an affordable storefront, could even benefit from a calmer economy.

This time it is different. Famous last words, but we hope they prove true.

So if you find that the money you've saved at the pump is burning a hole in your pocket this holiday season, make sure to spend it at local businesses. The Houston economy may need it.

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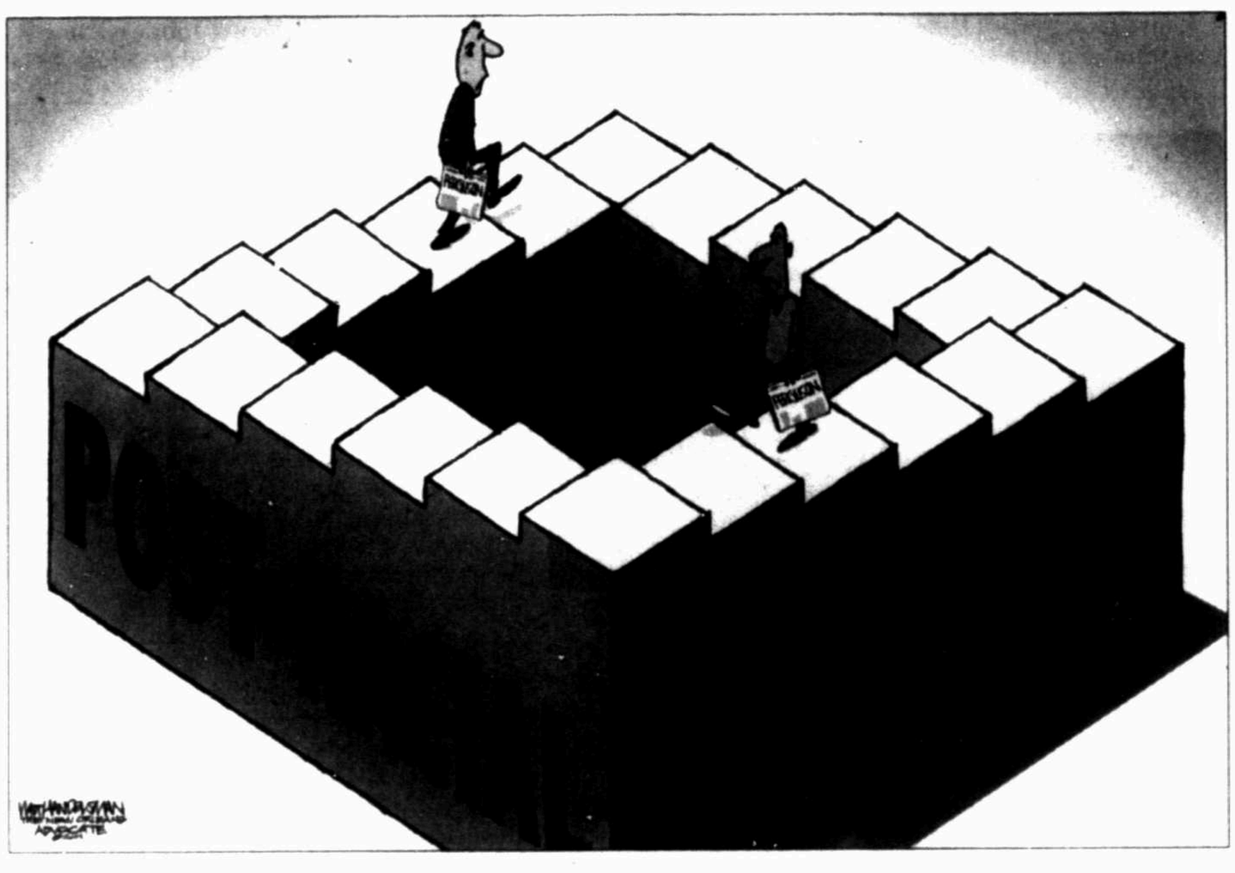

Obama is in position to quell protests

■ But president is mostly talk and little action when it comes to Ferguson

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After a week of Ferguson protests that have roiled the country, President Obama on Monday did what he generally does in times of crisis. He had a meeting.

Actually, he had three of them, all behind closed doors. He met with his Cabinet. He met with civil rights leaders. He met with law enforcement officials and community and faith leaders. And when all the chin-wags and palavers were done, Obama invited the cameras into the room and announced that he had decided ... to talk some more. He created a task force to spend 90 days studying police "best practices."

The grand-jury decision not to charge the white police officer who killed an unarmed black teenager in Missouri has given Obama another opportunity to show strong and decisive presidential leadership. And, once again, Obama is using the bully pulpit like a 98-pound weakling. If any more chin-stroking goes on at this White House, the president's advisers are going to have chafe marks on their jawbones.

It's no surprise that Obama's passive approach is not playing well. A new Washington Post-ABC News poll finds that only 39 percent of the public approves of Obama's handling of Ferguson; even black support for Obama's Ferguson performance, at 63 percent, is far below African-Americans' overall support for the president.

Democratic lawmakers have privately expressed their wish that Obama go to Ferguson. The Rev. Jesse Jackson, preaching in Portland, Oregon, on Sunday, said Obama should go to Ferguson, according to Oregon Public Broadcasting. Obama ally Deval Patrick, the Massachusetts governor, said on NBC that Obama "wants to go" to Ferguson but faces a "quandary" because of an ongoing Justice Department investigation.

So is Obama going to Ferguson? "No specific plans," the White House press secretary, Josh Earnest, replied Monday when the question, the first of the briefing, was put to him by the Associated Press' Jim Kuhnhenn.

This was no change from last week, when Obama, asked the same question by CNN's Jim Acosta, said he'd "take a look and see how things are going."

They're not going well, and Obama, by going to Ferguson and talking about Ferguson elsewhere around the country, could start the conversation about race we always talk about but never seem to have. The nation's first black president is in a unique position to quell protests, but also to give voice to legitimate grievances about the justice system.

Even if he's determined to avoid Ferguson, Obama could offer more concrete solutions to the problem than he has. To start with, there's no way to know how big the problem of police shootings is and how closely it's tied to race, because, incredibly, there's no federal requirement that jurisdictions report police shootings and killings. The FBI just reported that 461 people were killed by police in "justifiable homicides" in 2013, but that dramatically understates the tally, according to those who have tried to track the killings.

Obama also backed off Monday on proposals to restrict transfers of military equipment to local police. In August, the president had said there is a "big difference" between the two, "and we don't want those lines blurred." But the administration decided against new restrictions, instead announcing more modest plans to track the transfers and to increase police training and use of body-worn cameras.

To take a bolder stand on healing racial divisions would be easy for Obama, both because it doesn't require cooperation from Congress and because he already knows the words. He has often spoken eloquently on the topic — during the 2008 controversy caused by the Rev. Jeremiah Wright, after the Trayvon Martin verdict in 2013 and again, briefly, after the Ferguson decision was announced a week ago.

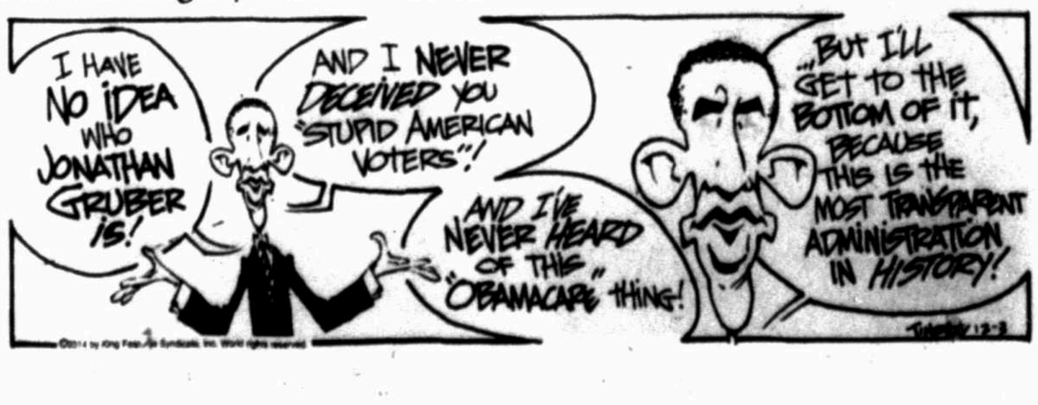
But on this issue as on many others — notably the fight against the Islamic State and the need to find a new defense secretary — Obama has demonstrated a preference to mull rather than to act.

As it happens, on the same day Obama was naming his task force to ponder policing issues further, the Brookings Institution hosted former Obama aide Peter Orszag and others for a discussion in support of Obama's efforts to use "evidence-based policymaking" and his "fight for rigor and results in social policy."

Over time, such a cerebral process probably produces the best results. But crises don't wait for cogitation. In the long run, as the great thinker John Maynard Keynes noted, we are all dead.

From the Left | Doonesbury

From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



Eyeing 2016, Jeb Bush talks foreign policy

Associated Press

CORAL GABLES, Fla. — Nearing a decision on a presidential run in 2016, Jeb Bush on Tuesday reaffirmed his support for the U.S. trade embargo against Cuba and pushed for a foreign policy that he said could help repair the nation's credibility after Barack Obama's presidency.

"Our allies don't trust us, and our enemies don't fear us. There is no situation worse for stability and peace than that," the former Florida governor told the annual luncheon of the U.S.-Cuba Democracy PAC. "The iron rule of superpower deterrent is 'Mean it when you say it.' And it has been broken by this president."

As an example, Bush cited Obama's decision not to follow through on his statements that there would be consequences for Syria if that country used chemical weapons. To date, the U.S. has not taken any direct military action against the government of Bashar Assad.

"Words matter," Bush said. "Presidents need to set United States aspirations and intentions where there is little gap between words and deeds."

On Monday, Bush told business leaders in Washington that he would decide "in short order" whether to launch a presidential bid. Establishment Republicans and big-money donors see a pragmatic governor who won two terms in the nation's largest swing state in part by appealing to Florida's fast-growing Hispanic population. Conservatives see Bush, the son and brother of presidents, as too moderate on immigration and other issues important to them.

GOP seeks year-end plan on funding, immigration

By David Espo & Erica Werner
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Year-end holidays beckoning, House Republicans struggled Tuesday to coalesce behind a plan that avoids a government shutdown next week and simultaneously challenges President Barack Obama's decision to spare millions of immigrants from deportation.

A separate bipartisan bill to extend dozens of expiring tax breaks was on a more certain track for approval, even though it would increase federal red ink by an estimated $44 billion over a decade. Republicans supported it, although they intend to mount a strong anti-deficit campaign next year, and the White House signaled that Obama would sign the one-year measure after threatening to veto a longer-term version.

Taxes, spending and immigration are the dominant issues in the final few weeks of a two-year Congress that has been a hothouse for partisan gridlock — and that seemed on track for one final showdown if not more.

After meeting privately with the House GOP rank and file, Speaker John Boehner of Ohio said Obama's actions on immigration were a "serious breach of our Constitution."

The administration countered. "The reality is that, for decades, presidents have used executive authority to enhance immigration policy," Secretary Jeh C. Johnson of the Department of Homeland Security told a skeptical House committee. He said he was "fully comfortable" that the president had acted within his authority in directing federal agencies not to make a priority of deporting immigrants in the country illegally, as long as they were otherwise law-abiding.

Republicans were unsparing in their denunciations of the president's actions, although some also said their chances of staying Obama's hand would be stronger after the party takes control of the Senate in January. "I think they understand it's going to be difficult" until then, Boehner said after his meeting with GOP legislators.

Some conservatives spoke against a leadership-backed plan to provide funding for nearly the entire government through September without gaining immigration-related concessions in return. "The cavalry is coming," said Rep. Jim Jordan of Ohio, indicating the party shouldn't give up significant leverage before it takes control of the Senate.

There were other priorities as one Congress neared an end and another waited in the wings.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid worked to confirm dozens of Obama's nominees before Democrats lose their majority. A pair of ambassadorial picks won confirmation during the day, with three judicial nominees and a spate of Energy Department appointees on track to follow later in the week.

A long-running dispute between the parties over Obama's judicial appointments prompted Reid and the Democrats last year to weaken the minority party's ability to block confirmations. As a result, it is unclear how inclined Republicans will be to approve presidential appointments next year.

Boehner told reporters no final decisions had been made for bringing legislation to a vote to keep financing the government beyond Dec. 11 or for attacking Obama's immigration action.

Other officials said the tentative schedule called for the House to vote Thursday on legislation by Rep. Ted Yoho, R-Fla., stating that Obama lacks authority to take the steps he announced two weeks ago. The measure would likely pass on a party-line vote, and was described by some Republicans as merely a face-saving gesture for angry lawmakers, since it faces certain death in the Senate.

Funding legislation would follow next week, in the form of a measure assuring routine operations throughout nearly the entire government through the Sept. 30, 2015 end of the fiscal year.

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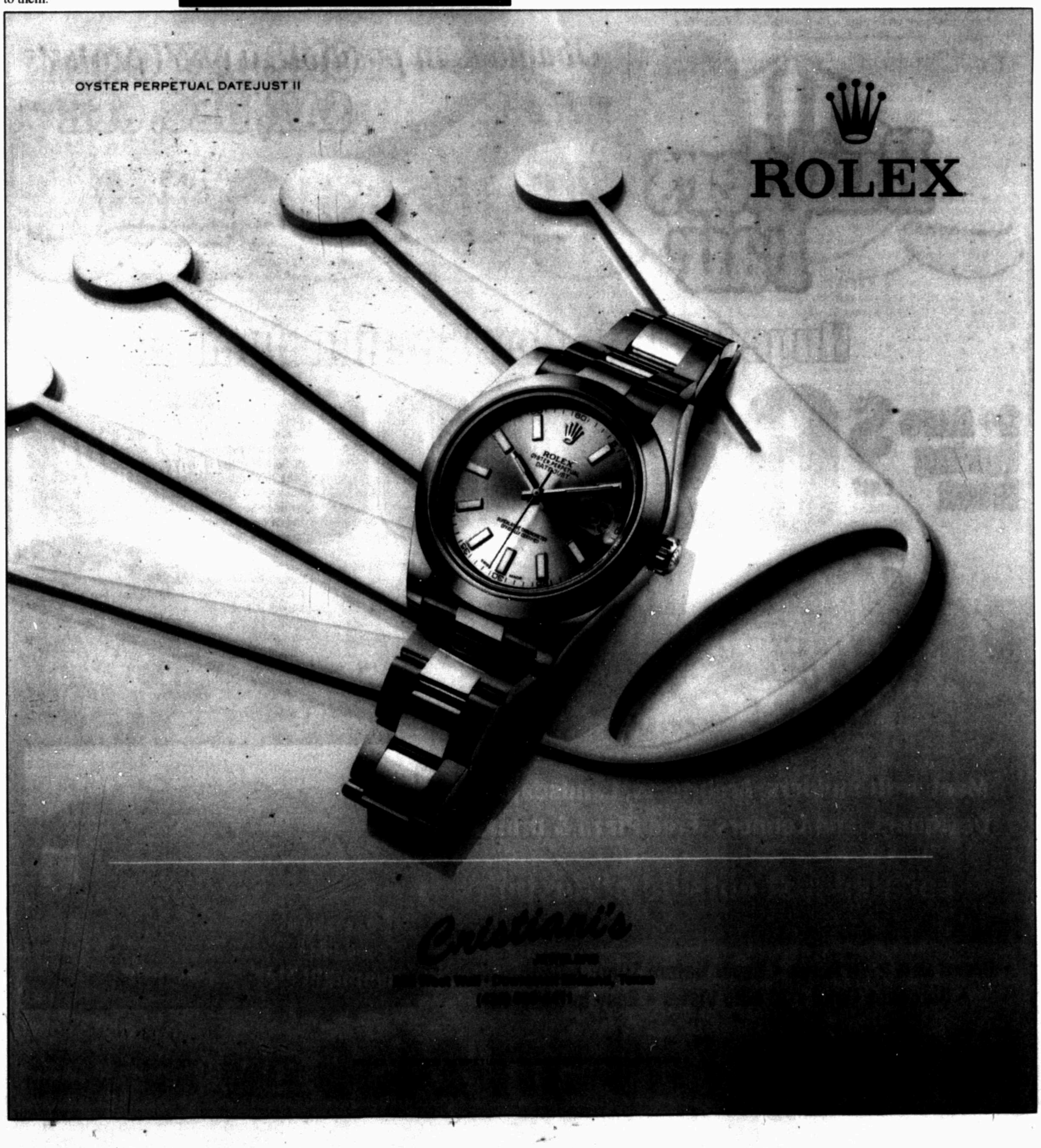


Lebanon says it has detained wife of IS leader

Associated Press

BEIRUT — Lebanese authorities detained a woman and young boy believed to be the wife and son of the reclusive Islamic State group leader, and were questioning the woman and conducting DNA tests on the child, senior Lebanese officials said Tuesday.

If their identities are confirmed, Lebanon may use the pair as bargaining chips to win the release of soldiers and police taken hostage by the extremists in cross-border attacks earlier this year.

The woman, who was identified as an Iraqi, and the child were taken into custody about 10 days ago while carrying fake ID cards, the officials said.

Very little is known about al-Baghdadi's personal life, including how many wives and children he has. Conservative interpretations of Islam allow men to marry up to four wives. The Islamic State group did not immediately comment on the detentions, but the faction's supporters on Twitter and militant websites cast doubt on the reports.

Adding to the confusion, the Lebanese army did not release an official statement regarding the pair.

A Lebanese military official identified the woman as Saja al-Dulaimi who was held by Syrian authorities and freed in a prisoner exchange with the Nusra Front, Syria's al-Qaida-linked branch, earlier this year. The official said the woman "confessed during interrogation" that she was al-Baghdadi's wife.

The officials spoke on condition of anonymity in line with regulations.

In March, the Nusra Front freed more than a dozen Greek Orthodox nuns in exchange for the release of dozens of female prisoners by the Syrian government. A woman named Saja al-Dulaimi was reportedly on the list of prisoners freed by Damascus.

A judicial official said the interrogation of the woman was being supervised by Lebanon's military prosecutor, Saqr Saqr, and that a DNA test was underway to confirm that the child is her son. Experts said it would be difficult to confirm whether the woman is indeed al-Baghdadi's wife.

It was unclear what would have brought the woman and child to Lebanon, where IS controls no territory and enjoys only small — although growing — support in some predominantly Sunni Muslim areas.

The detentions added to the mystery that continues to surround al-Baghdadi, who has a $10 million U.S. bounty on his head. He has only made one known public appearance — a sermon he delivered in July at a mosque in Mosul just days after IS declared him the head of an Islamic state, or caliphate, in the territory the group controls in Syria and Iraq.

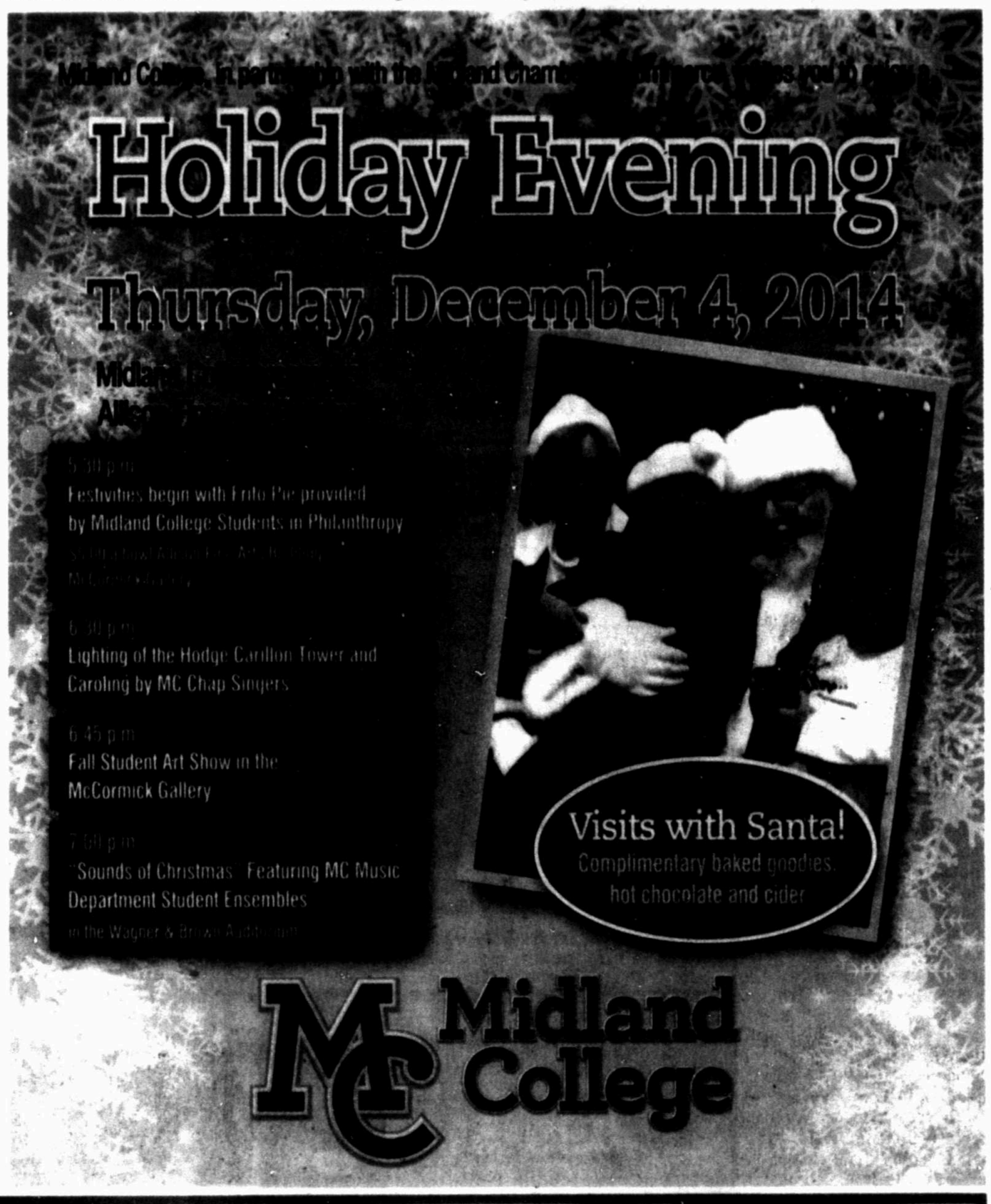
Last month, Iraqi officials claimed he was wounded in an airstrike. The U.S. has not confirmed those reports, and al-Baghdadi released a new audiotape days after he was purportedly hit.

The Lebanese daily As-Safir first reported the detention of the Islamic State leader's alleged relatives, saying the woman and boy were taken into custody near a border crossing point with Syria. It said the arrest came in "coordination with foreign intelligence agencies."

If the pair's identities are confirmed, the detentions could give Lebanese authorities leverage in their attempts to reach a prisoner-exchange deal with militants from the Islamic State group and the Nusra Front. The extremists have been holding more than 20 Lebanese soldiers and policemen hostage since August, and have demanded the release of Islamist prisoners held by Lebanon. On Monday night, the Nusra Front threatened to kill one of the soldiers it holds captive.

Lebanese troops have clashed repeatedly with militants along the border with Syria since August.

On Tuesday, militants ambushed a Lebanese army patrol near the frontier, killing six soldiers and wounding one, Lebanon's military said.



MISD District 4 turnout lower than county average

Editor's note: These was posted online at mrt.com on Monday.

By Tessa Duvall
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Chances are you didn't vote in the Midland ISD District 4 board of trustees election — even if you live in the district.

Voter turnout rates in Midland County for the November midterm were an abysmal 31.5 percent, and the District 4 average was even lower at 24.5 percent.

But it goes even lower: though 1,975 of the 8,063 registered voters — or 24.5 percent — in precincts within District 4 cast a ballot in the November election, only 1,576 voted in the school board race, which means 399 voters in District 4 skipped the trustee's race.

Turnout rates

Here's a closer look at turnout rates from other election years and precincts within District 4.

Year	Voters	Percentage of electorate
2014	23,679	31.47
2012	44,600	60.62
2010	28,146	39.25
2008	46,525	62.54
2006	24,945	N/A
2004	44,999	N/A

Source: Midland County Elections Office

So, the actual voter turnout rate for the Midland ISD special election was only 19.5 percent

Only 176 votes separated the victor, attorney Jeff Robnett, and runner-up Rachel Stone, president of the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Robnett received 760 votes to Stone's 584 and Kurtis Nodolf, a salesman for Pella Corp., received 232 votes.

Precinct-by-precinct totals

Precinct	Registered voters	Total voters	Trustee voters	% of voters	% Trustee voters
District 4	8,063	1,975	1,576	24.5	19.5
Pct 101	675	195	149	28.9	22
Pct 104	894	135	109	15.1	12.2
Pct 105	1,715	344	297	20.1	17.3
Pct 109	784	157	101	20.0	12.9
Pct 208	912	232	186	25.4	20.4
Pct 212	1,622	488	395	30.1	24.4
Pct 303	359	47	32	13.1	8.9
Pct 307	1,102	377	307	34.2	27.9

Source: Midland County Elections Office

Precinct 303, located west of Garfield Street, south of Wall Street and north of

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MISD HEROES AWARDS

Courtesy photos

Midland ISD board President Rick Davis presents Heroes for Kids awards at a recent school board meeting. Fannin Elementary **ABOVE:** Physical education teacher Jay Sherrill was recognized for performing the Heimlich maneuver on a student who choked on a meatball in the cafeteria. **BELOW:** District police officers Lupe Sanchez and Pablo Loya were recognized for their actions after a Midland High School student cut himself on a pane of glass.

Personnel cite training for quick reactions

By Tessa Duvall
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When two medical emergencies arose in October, nearby Midland ISD personnel were ready to react.

Fannin Elementary School physical education teacher Jay Sherrill successfully performed the Heimlich maneuver on a student who was choking on her lunch. MISD Police Department officers Lupe Sanchez and Pablo Loya applied tourniquets to a Midland High School student who had severely cut his arms and required 150 stitches.

All three were honored with the district's Heroes for Kids award at the November board of trustees meeting and received standing ovations.

In both instances, the men attributed their swift responses to health and safety training provided by the district. It wasn't something they had time to think about — they just had to act.

"You just react to it," Sanchez said. "There's nothing else to it: your training, and you know someone else needs assistance and help. You just react to it and take care of it. It's just part of the training and part of my job."

Sanchez said district PD officers must complete 40 hours of training every two years; training ranges from topics such as child abuse to investigative methods and active-shooter situations.

As a part of that ongoing training, Sanchez and Loya completed a tactical first aid course last summer. The refresher course at the Midland Police Department range included how to apply tourniquets and treat wounds.

When a student cut his arms and lost a lot of blood at the end of the school day on Oct. 10, Sanchez applied a tourniquet to one of

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JENNIFER SEYBERT
UTPB's STEM Academy

Teachers deserve guidance, support from community

As an avid follower of educational research, blogs, journals and mainstream news magazines, the cover of the November issue of Time truly broke my heart. If you didn't have the chance to see it, all you have to do is Google it and you can experience the sadness for yourself.

The article, "Rotten Apples," describes in detail how difficult it is to fire some of our teachers and the need to fire teachers in order to clean up America's schools. I am not quite sure how we have gotten to this place in America, mistreating and even misrepresenting our finest commodity: our teachers. But we are here. And I will not stand for it, not on my watch.

I might have a different perspective than most. I happen to be the one who arrives at school very early each morning only to find most of the teachers are already there, already working, collaborating and planning. Most of them are already waiting for me to review an email, student data or a lesson. I happen to be the one who passes through the hallways daily looking into the windows of our classrooms just to see teachers working with some of our most difficult learners, making intervention plans for them, meeting with their parents, hugging and consoling when needed. I happen to be the one who opens my door to listen to the teacher who is struggling with a lesson, needing ideas for change, playing back events for me and trying not to cry as they explain the need for more help, more guidance.

It's personal for me. I see the struggles up close. I see the parents and community that belittle them. I see the benchmark data that isn't always positive. I see the lack of resources. I see the struggles. I see the teachers as people and the struggles that are very real. I am their principal and I refuse to enter into the conversation of "weeding out our rotten apples" because in my opinion, there are no "rotten apples." Well, there are no "rotten apples" on my watch.

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Children need to learn from trial and error, success and failure

TINA BRILEY
Greenwood Elementary School

In 1882, Thomas Edison wrote, "The student will find that experience is the best teacher." On another occasion, when asked by a reporter about his failure to find a way to store electricity in a battery-jar, Edison replied, "I have not failed once. I now know 999 different ways it won't work."

If you ask people what they believe the goal and purpose of education is, you'll get a variety of answers, and many of them will be valid answers. However, the overall goal of education has to be to teach people to think. Not what to think, but how to think.

Unlike Thomas Edison, we are so afraid to allow our children to experience defeat that we have denied them the art and adventure of discovery. The truth is, educated people know things. They have knowledge about their environment and they know how to use that knowledge. And their knowledge often comes from their experiences — both positive and negative. They've had opportunities to explore and experiment. When something doesn't work, they don't quit. They try a different way.

Unfortunately, kids today often are lacking the necessary critical thinking skills they need. They haven't learned to be problem-solvers because the adults in their lives tend to rescue them by solving all of their problems for them. As parents and educators, we owe it to our kids to let them learn from their own experiences, from trial and error, from successes and failures. After all, in the words of Edison, "Experience is the best teacher." It is wise to step back and let children solve their own problems. At all ages and stages of life, we should encourage them to do developmentally appropriate things for themselves rather than doing things for them because it's faster, easier or more efficient.

When my toddler's ball rolled under the cabinet, I asked him, "What do you

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need to do to get it out?" I offered guidance and direction, but I didn't tell him how to get it, and I certainly didn't get it for him. It took a while, and he got a bit frustrated, but he was so proud of himself when he discovered he could knock it out with a yardstick. When my teenage daughter felt she had received an unjust grade from a teacher, I listened as she argued her case to me. I then empowered and encouraged her to take that same argument to the teacher. Not only did the teacher respect her for presenting a calm and convincing explanation, the grade was changed, and my daughter walked out with an improved sense of self-respect and confidence.

If we respond too quickly to our kids' problems, we dramatically affect the development of their critical thinking skills and their self-esteem. The more we do for them, the less they believe they can do for themselves. We, in fact, create a learned helplessness in them. Eventually, we get tired of that helplessness and we say things like, "Figure it out," or "Don't ask me. Do it yourself," or "Why can't you ever solve your own problems?" If we don't consistently teach kids these thinking skills, we can't expect them to just wake up one day ready, willing, and able to face the challenges of life. They won't even know where to begin.

As a mom, a grandmother, and a teacher, I have had to learn to not be hasty in answering the questions of children. Instead, when a child asks why? How? Or what happened? I take a breath and respond with, "What do you think?" It is so important to encourage them to share their thinking and then follow up with "where do you think we could get more information on that?" As adults who want our children to be able to think for themselves, we need to show them how to find an answer instead of always providing an answer. It is so much more valuable to guide them in the process of thinking instead of directing their thinking.

We will know we have truly succeeded in educating our children when they learn to trust and depend on themselves to be active problem-solvers, willing to step out and take a chance. After all, if they don't get it right the first time, they still have 999 more opportunities to go. We would all do well to learn from the same teacher Thomas Edison had: experience.

Meet Tina Briley

Name: Tina Briley
School/position: Reading specialist at Greenwood Elementary School
College/ attended/degree: Bachelor of arts, University of Texas of the Permian Basin; master's of reading and curriculum instruction, Grand Canyon University
Years in education: three years as a teacher's aide; currently in my 16th year as a teacher
Family: Husband, Bryan Briley; children, Mari Sykes and David Briley; five grandchildren
Favorite book: "Stargirl" by Jerry Spinelli
Favorite sports team: San Antonio Spurs
Leisure activity: Anything that involves the outdoors

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the student's arms while calling for Loya to get his tourniquet, too. Until Loya arrived, Sanchez said he improvised a second tourniquet out of a lanyard and a pen.

It was the first time Sanchez had to apply a tourniquet as a part of his job.

"You run into situations where you wind up not just using a tourniquet, but basic first aid on injuries," he said.

For Sherrill, the Fannin PE teacher, it was also a similar fast-paced scenario and the first time he'd used his training to that extent. Sherrill said all MISD PE teachers are certified in first aid, CPR and automated external defibrillator (AED), which is conducted during in-service before a new school year begins. In his 11 years as a teacher, he said he had treated minor injuries, but never performed the Heimlich maneuver.

"Hope it's the last time," he said.

The incident began during a lunch period one day in October when a female student choked on a meatball. Sixth-grade student Michael Webb saw what was wrong and sprinted across the cafeteria to tell Sherrill.

"I was sitting down, minding my own business, and I looked over and saw that she was choking," Michael said. "She was making the (choking gesture) symbol. So I said, 'Coach, coach, she's choking.'"

Courtesy photo

Fannin Elementary School sixth-graders Hayden Westenburg, from left, Michael Webb and Garrett Nicholas offered their assistance when a classmate choked during lunch one day in October.

Simultaneously, fellow sixth-grader Hayden Westenburg ran out of the lunch room to find the school's nurse. Hayden said he thought the nurse should be there just in case no one else could help the girl.

While Michael and Hayden were getting help, sixth-grader Garrett Nicholas sat with the choking student, trying to get her to remain calm and comfortable. Garrett said he didn't want her to panic and make the situation worse.

Sherrill ran to the table and immediately saw the student choking. After performing the Heimlich maneuver twice, the food was dislodged and the student could breathe again.

Michael, Hayden and Garrett said they haven't had any first aid training, but after seeing how life-saving it can be, it's something they want to learn.

Sherrill said it's good for schools to have more than one person, such as the nurse, who is trained and can jump into action in an emergency.

"You just react," he said. "Once the adrenaline is over and you reflect on everything that could have happened, I'm just thankful that everything worked out great. You don't have time to think."

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I knew what I signed up for when I left the classroom and entered into the world of campus leadership. I knew that there would be struggles, that there would be tears, but there would also be celebrations. I did not know, however, that we would so easily give up on our teachers. I don't want to give up. I want to shape our teachers. I want to let them teach, to change lives, shape our future. On my watch, I want all of our teachers to shine. I urge our campus leaders, district leaders, teacher leaders to help our teachers shine. Refuse to give up on them, refuse to have "rotten apples" on our watch.

Every single teacher who I have ever worked with comes to school each day wanting to be the best teacher possible. Over the years, I have worked with several teachers who struggle every single day in this profession and some want to quit. Some of these decisions I agreed with and some I did not. But, I worked tirelessly to help them if they chose to stay or support them as they moved on. No one in his or her right mind would enter into this profession wanting to do a poor job and I believe that with all my heart. Believing that makes me want to work even harder to make our teachers be the best they can be, to provide the support they need to be excellent, to boost their confidence and let them fly.

So, I urge you, if you are a leader in our schools, a community member, a parent, let's be the backbone that our teachers need. Stay positive, provide guidance, give support. Don't allow others to tear down what we are trying to create. Many of our schools are struggling. Let's use the struggles to create a bond, to improve. We are one community with one common mission -- to educate our children. To do that, we must believe that guidance and support can help our most struggling teachers, and that guidance and support must come from all.

Build them up, don't tear them down, stay positive and, refuse to talk about "rotten apples." Or at least don't talk about them on my watch.

Jennifer Seybert is principal of University of Texas of the Permian Basin STEM Academy.

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Business 20, reported the lowest voter turnout rate in District 4 with 13.1 percent of the 359 registered voters casting a ballot. However, the percent of registered voters casting a District 4 trustee ballot is only 8.9 percent. Only 32 voters in Precinct 303 selected a trustee, with 21 choosing Stone.

Neighboring precinct 307, east of Precinct 303 and containing the old MISD West campus that now houses the Midland Alternative Program, had the highest turnout with 34.2 percent of registered voters participating in the election.

That percentage drops to 27.9 percent when voters who didn't choose a school board candidate are eliminated. Voters overwhelmingly selected Robnett, who received 172 votes to Stone's 86 and Nodolf's 49.

Robnett won six of the eight precincts, and Stone secured the other two.

Obituaries

Charles H. Moore, II

Charles H. Moore, II, 73, a loving husband, father, and grandfather passed after a year-long battle with cancer on November 30, 2014 at home with his family in Midland. The family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 4, 2014 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. A celebration of life will be held at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, December 5, 2014 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel.

Charles was born in San Angelo, Texas on March 20, 1941 to parents - Charles "Red" and Jean Weingartner Moore. Growing up, his family followed the Humble Oil seismic crew through West Texas and New Mexico and eventually set solid roots in Midland. He was a graduate of Midland High School and studied physics at Texas Tech University and the University of Texas at Austin. He went on to start his own electronic business out of the back garage workshop of his parents' house. That business grew into Audio Video Pro which remained in business for 45 years.

Charles married Betty Melzer in 1966. They actually celebrated the same birthday of March 20th every year for more than 47 years. Both growing up in Midland together, Charles and Betty also enjoyed celebrating high school reunions and a social group called the Moonshiners.

He had a vast understanding of everything scientific, including medicine, biology, mechanics, electronics, geology, engineering, and electrical systems. He loved to tinker with things and thoroughly enjoyed using and showing off the tools he had collected to fix and improved just about everything and anything.

He is survived by his wife, Betty Melzer Moore; his two, brothers Eric Moore (Brenham, Texas) and John Moore (Austin, Texas). He is also survived by his daughter, Dr. Heidi Moore and her husband, Jeff Henderson (Bastrop, Texas). Additionally, he is survived by his son, Trey Moore and his wife, Becki Adams Moore (Katy, Texas) along with their children, Charlie (5), Henry (3), and Molly (2).

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make memorial donations to Hospice of Midland.

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

Mary Elizabeth Price Patterson

Mary Elizabeth Price Patterson was born to Margaret Chatterton Price and Willis Davidson Price on the family ranch, North West of Pampa, Texas.

She attended Texas Tech University, where she received her Bachelor of Science in Home Economics. She belonged to the DFD social CLUB, which is now Delta Delta Delta. After graduating from Texas Tech, she moved back to Pampa where she met her husband, Bob Patterson. Bob worked as an accountant for Shell Oil Company and they were transferred to New York and New Jersey, settling in Midland in 1954. Mary was the Kindergarten teacher at Jack and Jill and, at one time, First Presbyterian Church. She was also a member of Colonel Theumis Dye Daughters of American Revolution.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Cecillia Ann Newton.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Mary Margaret Davis and her husband, Earl of Odessa, Texas. Also surviving are her four grandchildren, Jimmie Davis and his wife, Amy, and their children, JJ and Lexie of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Mary Gatlin and her children, Katelyne, Brandon, Alicia Dickson and husband Chris, and their children, Jace and Keegan; Chris Whitfield and wife, Christie of Lakeville, Minnesota, and their children, Molly, Cooper and Kendall; Charlotte Hall and husband, Barry of Littie Rock, Arkansas and their children, Abby and Hudson; and her son-in-law, Brad Newton.

Also surviving are her sisters, Martha Smith of Higgins, Texas and Margaret Cowden of Midland, Texas; and her sister-in-law, Ida Ruth Price of Pampa, Texas; and many loved nieces and nephews.

A viewing will be held from 12:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 3, 2014 at Ellis Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 4, 2014 at First Presbyterian Church, with Dr. Steven Schorr officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to First Presbyterian Church, 800 West Texas Ave. Midland, Texas 79701 or Manor Park, 2208 North Loop 250 W. Midland, Texas 79707.

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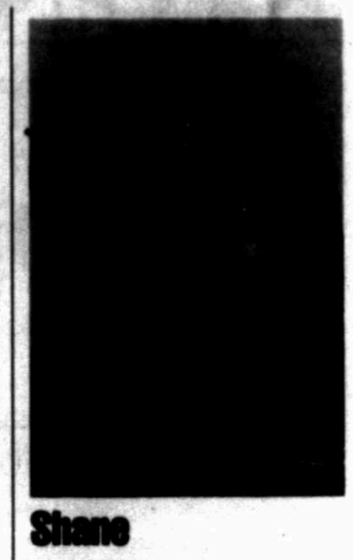


Shane Ray Thompson

Shane Ray Thompson, 39, of Midland, passed away November 29, 2014, and has moved on to be with his mother and father in heaven.

He was preceded in death by his parents, George and Margie Thompson, of Midland; his niece, Misty Marie Thompson; and his nephews, Daniel Sauls and David Garibay.

He is survived by his brothers and sisters, Mike Thompson, Gary and Jackie Thompson, John Mark Thompson, Walter and Barbara Hodges, Carolyn Belcher and Danny Cessna, Johnny and Candace Briseno and Doug and Sharon Sauls.

He has numerous nieces and nephews, church family and friends.

Shane was born in Hobbs, New Mexico on September 11, 1975. The family moved to Midland in 1985. He attended and graduated from Midland High School in 1995. He was very active in his church at This Generation. He was Video Director, helped with the bus route, and would help whenever and wherever he was needed.

He was loved by his neighbors, friends and family and will be sorely missed.

The memorial service will be held on December 4, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. at This Generation Church at 409 W. Pine, and will be officiated by Brother Bill Forrest.

Death Notices

Glen Stallings

Glen Dale Stallings, 78, of Odessa, passed away Monday, December 1st, 2014.

Family will be receiving friends Thursday, December 4, 2014 from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home in Midland.

Funeral service is set for Friday, December 5, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. also at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

Butch Wood

Butch Wood, 67, of Mayhill, New Mexico, died November 28, 2014. Memorial services will be held at 10:00 a.m., Friday, December 5, 2014 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel.

Survivors include wife, Theresa Ann Wood; son, Shawn Wood; daughter, Laurie Fulwider; and one brother.

Lubbock native, Rolling Stones' sax player Bobby Keys dies at 70

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Saxophonist Bobby Keys, a lifelong rock 'n' roller who toured with Buddy Holly, played on recordings by John Lennon and laid down one of the all-time blowout solos on the Rolling Stones' "Brown Sugar," has died. He was 70.

Michael Webb, who played keyboard with Keys, said Keys died Tuesday at his home in Franklin, Tennessee, after a lengthy illness. Keys had been on tour with the Stones earlier this year before his health prevented him from performing.

"The Rolling Stones are devastated by the loss of their very dear friend and legendary saxophone player, Bobby Keys," the band said in a statement. "Bobby made a unique musical contribution to the band since the 1960s. He will be greatly missed."

Keys, one of the few rock saxophonists to become a name in his own right, was a heavy-set man with jowls to match and had a raw, piercing sound. The Lubbock native was born the same day as Keith Richards — Dec. 18, 1943 — and the Stones guitarist would often cite Keys as a soul mate and favorite musician. On "Brown Sugar," he needed little time to seal his history with the band, which had decided a saxophone would work better than a guitar for the solo spotlight.

"It was the first take," he would recall.

Keys also played memorable solos on such Stones favorites as the seven-minute jam "Can't You Hear Me Knocking" and the country-styled "Sweet Virginia." Other career highlights included Lennon's chart-topping "Whatever Gets You Through the Night" and albums by Richards, George Harrison, Barbra Streisand and Eric Clapton. A self-titled solo album featured Harrison and Ringo Starr.

For a time, Keys played clubs and was billed as "Mr. Brown Sugar."

"I have lost the largest pal in the world, and I can't express the sense of sadness I feel, although Bobby would tell me to cheer up," Richards said in a statement.

Keys' career dated to the 1950s, when as a teenager he played with fellow Lubbock native Holly and The Crickets. He met the Stones in the mid-'60s while they were on the same bill at a state fair in San Antonio and was distraught that the British rockers had recorded a cover of Holly's "Not Fade Away."

"I said, 'Hey, that was Buddy's song,'" Keys recalled in Richards' memoir "Life," published in 2010. "Who are these pasty-faced, funny-talking, skinny-legged guys to come over here and cash in on Buddy's song?"

But once Keys listened more closely, he decided the Stones were playing "actual rock and roll," an opinion the Stones more than shared about Keys.

Nation's classrooms reflect on Ferguson decision

By Christine Armario
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — When his high school English students came to class, Tom Rademacher knew there would be one thing on their mind: a grand jury's decision not to indict the white police officer who shot and killed Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri.

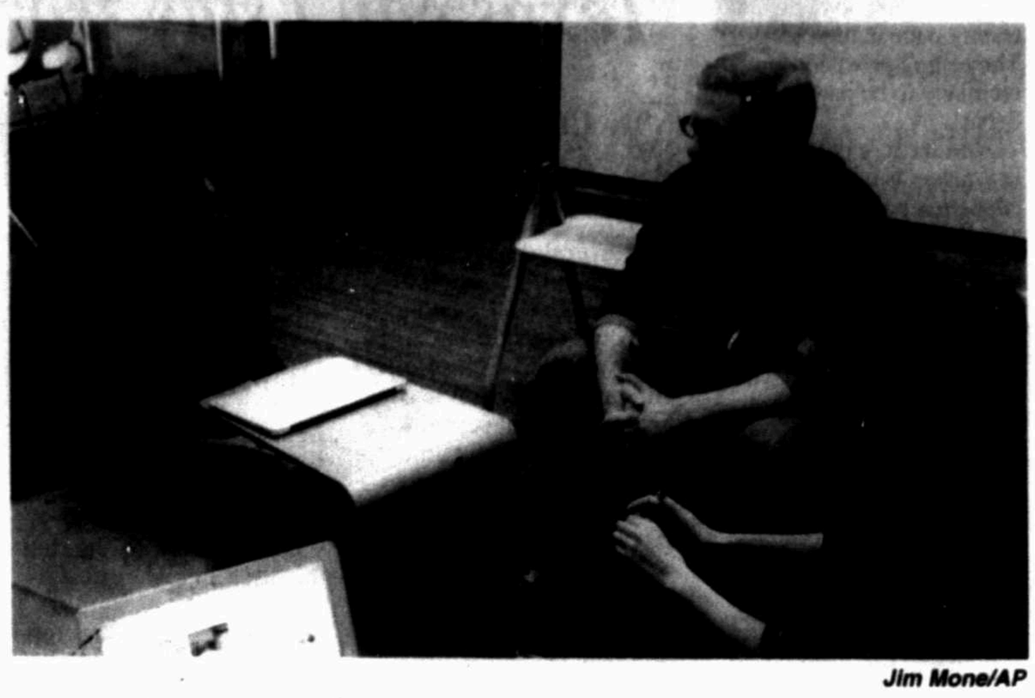
So the Minneapolis teacher put aside his lesson plans for the day and asked them a simple question: How did they feel?

Some teens said they were sad, others angry. One said he logged off Twitter and Facebook to avoid dealing with upset friends.

"That's the definition of white privilege," student Nia Golston replied. "You get to look away while I, being African-American, have to live like this."

In the aftermath of the Ferguson announcement, classrooms across the nation are taking up uncomfortable topics — race, police use of force and poverty, among others — to give students a voice and help them make sense of events.

Some teachers are using the discussion to weave in history lessons. One school in the Bronx read Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "Letter from Birmingham Jail."



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English teacher Tom Rademacher talks with his high school juniors Kierra Murray, left, and Ana Silverman, right, Tuesday at Fair School in Minneapolis. Knowing that the grand jury decision not to indict a white officer who shot and killed a black teen in Ferguson, Mo., would be on the minds of his students, Rademacher put aside his lesson plans and asked them a question: How did they feel?

Others are reviewing primary source documents, like officer Darren Wilson's grand jury testimony, to study the case in detail. Some are just inquiring about the emotions evoked by the killing of a person not much older than most high school students.

In a story so focused on young black people and their communities, "we aren't hearing enough from black teenagers about what they're feeling and what they're thinking about and what their experiences are," Rademacher said.

Sites such as TeachableMoment.org and groups including Facing History and Ourselves, a nonprofit in Brookline, Massachusetts, are providing teachers with guidance on incorporating Ferguson into their lessons. Teachers are sharing their ideas and classroom experiences online with hashtags such as (hash)FergusonSyllabus and (hash)FergusonInClass.

"All the things you hear in the larger community are happening in the microcosm called the classroom," said Steve Becton, social program director of urban education at Facing History and Ourselves. "For the teachers not allowing it to happen, I think it's a missed opportunity."

Becton advises teachers to ask nuanced questions: What is the role of law in society? And if a law seems insufficient, how can it be challenged? What is the relationship between African-American males and law enforcement?

"How do we help students understand that history?" Becton asked. "Ultimately education is not about facts and dates and figures but about participating in democracy and participating in a civil discourse."

School districts in Los Angeles and Washington, D.C., have provided teachers with instructions for leading Ferguson discussions.

"The goal is to assist students in being able to exercise their First Amendment rights, to speak out on things they feel passionate about," said Holly Priebe-Diaz, intervention coordinator for the Los Angeles Unified School District.

Teacher Gregory Michie, who instructs middle-school students in a predominantly Mexican neighborhood in Chicago, spent five weeks earlier this year discussing the context of the Ferguson case, First Amendment issues and media coverage.

"I teach in a neighborhood where a lot of kids have seen violence," he said. "There is a certain level of mistrust, skepticism."

Elsewhere, the topic is less welcome or completely off-limits. Teachers in one Illinois classroom, for example, were advised earlier this year not to talk about the case in class.

The hesitation sometimes comes from parents or students.

The director of Not in Our School, a network that encourages tolerance, said she received a call from teachers in one Tennessee district who said some students were wary of discussing the case. Teachers told the students they were in a safe space and should feel free to share their feelings, Becki Cohn-Vargas said.

Rademacher has encouraged students to stay focused on having a discussion, not winning an argument. That approach produced a robust exchange of ideas.

"It's just amazing to hear stories from black students because this is something me, as a white person, I don't ever experience," student Liz Fesenmaier said. "I don't get the talk from my mother. 'Be careful of the police.' We get, 'If you're ever in trouble, tell a trusted adult, like a police officer.'"

Rademacher's students also learned to accept the fact that no amount of talking would resolve the issues swirling around Ferguson.

That was "one of the hardest things in having this discussion," Fesenmaier said. "We can't change the world in 40 minutes' worth of class."

MAKINGTHEGRADE

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Ream

Midland High School senior **Alden Forrest Ream** has been recognized by the Midland Rotary Club. He is the son of Stacey and Melodi Ream and the late Tammy Ream.

He is a member of the marching, concert and jazz bands, robotics team and National Honor Society. He is a National Merit Commended Scholar and received the Rensselaer Science and Math Medal.

He is a member of First United Methodist Church youth group and volunteers with Rays of Hope.

Ream plans to attend Texas A&M University or Colorado School of Mines and major in mechanical engineering.

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Lee High School senior **Elizabeth Vos** has been honored by the Midland West Rotary Club. She is the daughter of Chad and Sandra Vos.

She is a member of National Honor Society, Senior Girls and cheerleading squad.

She volunteers at her church and at Midland Rape Crisis and Children's Advocacy Center.

Voss

Vos plans to attend Angelo State University and study animal radiology.

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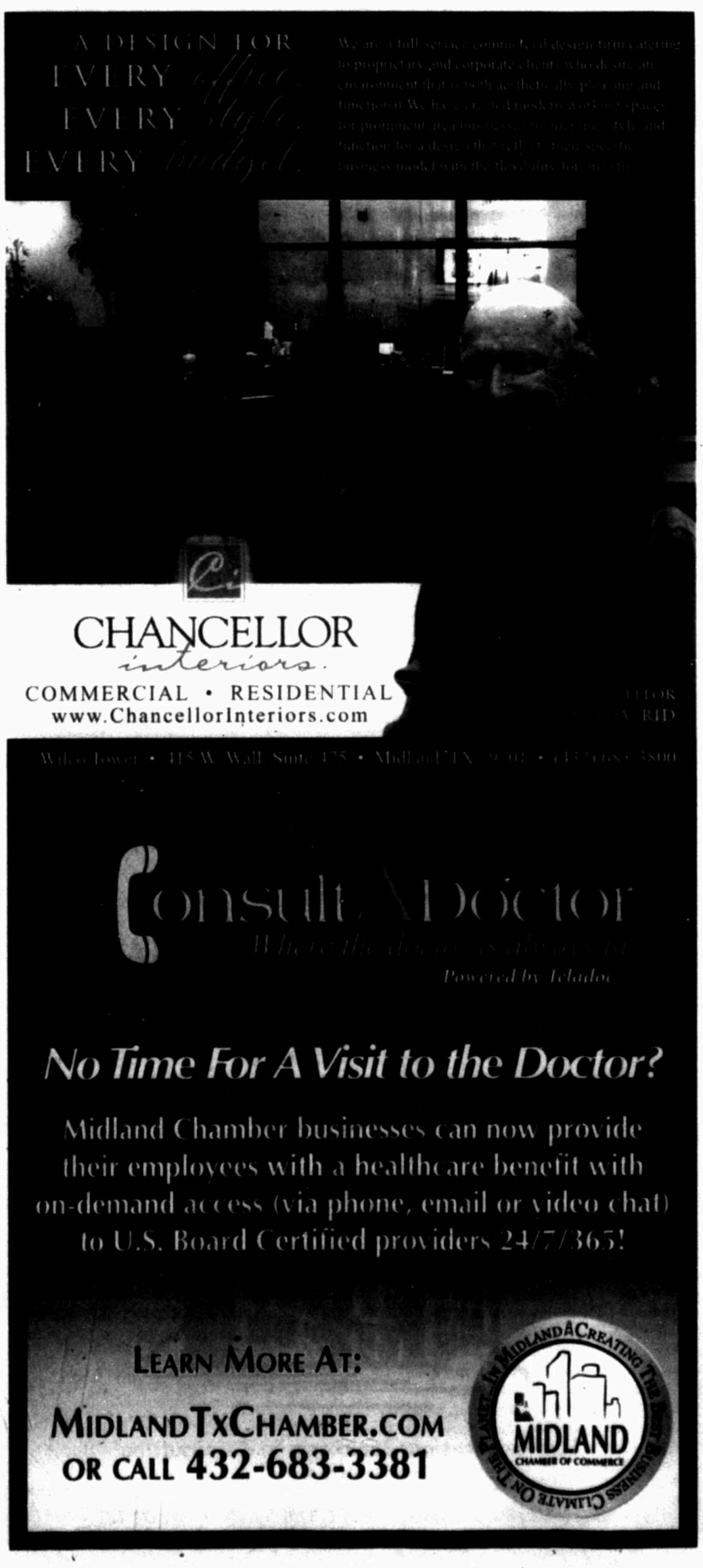
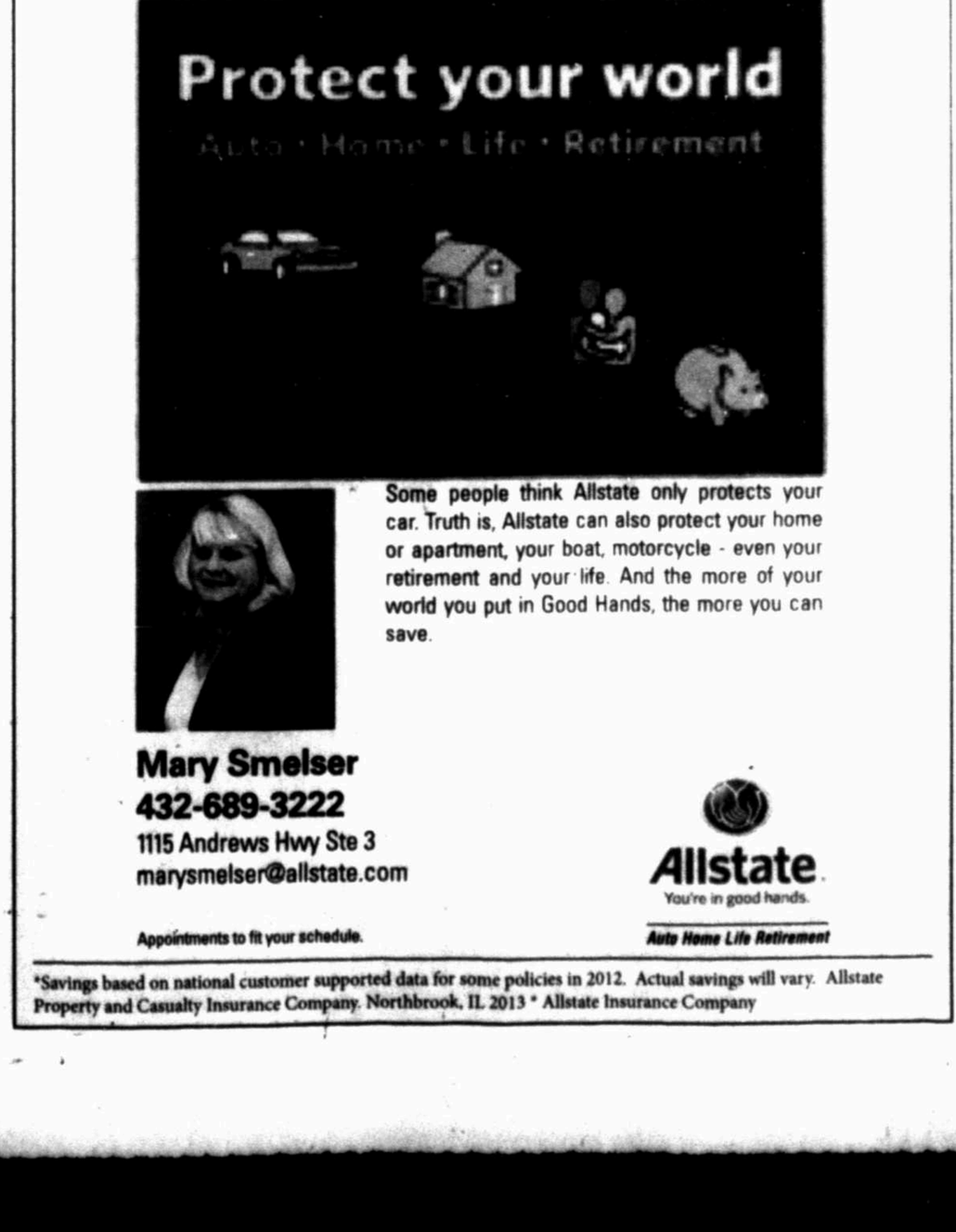
Midlander **Callie Williams** graduated last spring from Texas Christian University. She received a master of education in secondary education.

Courtesy photo

Midlander Melissa Reddout was one of 19 students recognized during the Outstanding Senior Awards reception last month at the University of Oklahoma. Reddout was honored by the College of Architecture. With Reddout, an interior design major, are College of Architecture Charles Graham, dean, left, and OU President David L. Boren.





No Child Left Behind gets renewed focus

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The No Child Left Behind education law could be making a political comeback.

Sen. Lamar Alexander, the Tennessee Republican who is the incoming chairman of the Senate committee overseeing education, said his top education priority is fixing the landmark Bush-era law. His goal? Get a bill signed by President Barack Obama early next year.

Doing so will require bipartisanship that's been elusive since the law, primarily designed to help minority and poor children, came up for renewal in 2007.

The law requires schools to show annual growth in student achievement or face consequences, with all students expected to be proficient in reading and math this year. It has been credited with shining a light on how schools handle minority, low-income, English learners and special needs students, but led to complaints that teachers were teaching to standardized tests and that mandates were unrealistic and penalties ineffective.

Obama since 2012 has allowed states to get a waiver from some of the more stringent requirements of the law, but they had to agree to requirements such as adopting college and career ready standards — like Common Core — and implementing teacher evaluation systems with teeth. More than 40 states have a waiver.

The waivers left alone a federal requirement of annual standardized testing in grades three to eight and testing once in high school. The testing provisions are likely to be part of the debate.

Alexander, a pragmatic lawmaker, is no stranger to education policy. He served as education secretary under George H.W. Bush, as president of the University of Tennessee and as Tennessee governor.

He said that "excessive regulation of local schools by Washington is getting in the way of better schools." He and House Education and Workforce Chairman John Kline, R-Minn., said the federal government needs to get out of the business of deciding what to do about low-performing schools, education standards and teacher evaluations.

EDUCATIONBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MISD attendance zone meetings set

Three town hall meetings are planned to allow community input on the new Midland ISD elementary school attendance zones.

The meetings are to be 7 p.m. Tuesday at Greathouse Elementary, 5107 Greathouse Ave.; 7 p.m. Dec. 11 at Henderson Elementary School, 4800 Graceland Drive; and 7 p.m. Dec. 17 at DeZavala Elementary, 705 N. Lee St.

The recently completed MISD Elementary School Boundary Study is posted at www.midlandisd.net under the Bond Information tab.

MHS attends MOAS general assembly

The Midland High School Model Organization of American States program participants are attending the 33rd annual MOAS General Assembly for High Schools this week in Washington, D.C. During the assembly at the OAS Headquarters, the program will receive an award for being only one of three schools to have completed the representation of all 34 MOAS member states.

MHS has been part of the MOAS program since 1989.

Bowie to present Christmas musical

Bowie Fine Arts Academy Students will present the musical, "Yes Virginia (There is a Santa Claus)" 7 p.m. Dec. 12-13 and 2 p.m. Dec. 14 at the Midland College Allison Fine Arts Building.

The performance is made possible by a grant from Macy's department store. Tickets are available at Bowie, 805 Elk Ave., and at the door.

The school is collecting monetary donations for Casa de Amigos and canned or non-perishable food items for the West Texas Food Bank.

Annual storytelling festival is next week

The 22nd annual Midland Storytelling Festival is Dec. 12-13 at Midland Center. The sessions are 7 p.m. Dec. 12 and 10 a.m., 11:15 a.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 13.

Participating storytellers are Annalon Gilbreath of Lubbock, Sue Roseberry of Midland, Donald Davis of Ocracoke Island, North Carolina, Willy Claflin and Maynard Moose of San Francisco, Bill Harley of Seekonk, Massachusetts, Barbara McBride-Smith of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Charlotte Blake Alston of Lansdowne, Pennsylvania, Laura Pershin Raynor of Ann Arbor, Michigan and Antonio Rocha of Gray Maine.

Tickets to the Dec. 12 session are $15 and to the 7 p.m. Dec. 13 grand finale are $10 for adults, $5 for students and $30 for families.

Funding for public schools in Texas can't stay frozen in time

By Christy Rome
executive director
Texas School Coalition

■ COMMENTARY

Several days before the 84th Session of the Texas Legislature convenes on Jan. 13, newly elected Comptroller Glenn Hegar will release his first official revenue estimate — the document that will guide legislators as they proceed to write a 2015-16 budget for state government.

Based upon the revenue updates that have been issued in recent months by outgoing Comptroller Susan Combs, it's clear the Legislature will have an enviable bank account, as it goes about its budget-writing responsibilities.

Because of a robust Texas economy and greater sales tax collections, the Legislature will probably have at least a $4 billion cash balance — when it closes out the current budget. And because of greater tax revenue from renewed oil and gas production in the state, the Texas Economic Stabilization Fund — often referred to as the rainy day fund — may top-out with another $8 billion.

While the Texas economy is growing in a very healthy fashion that will sustain our state financially for years to come, the manner by which we fund our public schools is frozen in time. This is why the Texas Supreme Court will chart the next course for the ongoing lawsuit that more than 600 local districts have filed against the current method of funding public schools. Travis County District Court Judge John Dietz has ruled that the state has failed to make suitable provision for Texas students, and that by shifting a greater burden for funding to local districts, our school finance system has evolved-once again-into an unconstitutional statewide property tax.

With the epic case pending with the state's highest court, it is unlikely the Legislature will address a comprehensive overhaul of public school finance in 2015.

Which is not to say that the 2015 Legislature cannot take steps — significant steps — to correct the purely arbitrary calculus that determines the extent to which local schools are funded, and what the source of that revenue is.

Because they are frozen in time, the current school funding formulas simply do not come close to addressing the state's growing and more-economically diverse student enrollment. As a result, the rest of the world is moving on without us, and students in Texas — our future leaders — will fall behind.

Many basic elements of our current funding system are tied to the 2005-06 school year, which is the last time that the state adopted any major changes to school finance. Decisions made by school boards and local communities 10 years ago still haunt some districts today, as they face financial penalties that they can't escape.

The cost of Education Index that is meant to address regional cost differences among school districts was last calculated in 1991. On average, Texas' public school enrollment is increasing by more than 80,000 new students every year, and the demographics in many regions in the state have changed significantly in the quarter-century since this outdated Index was last adopted.

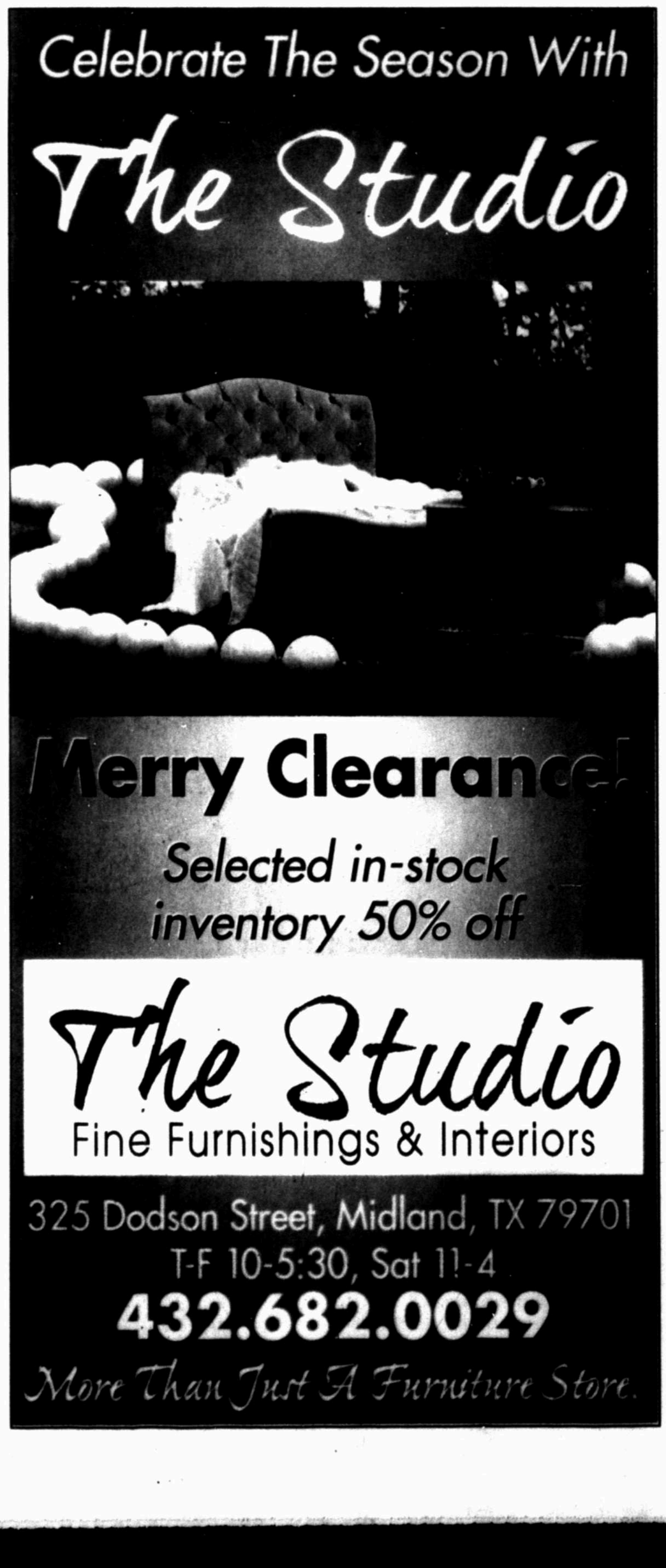
Ironically, the boom in the Texas oil patch is also creating problems for many districts.

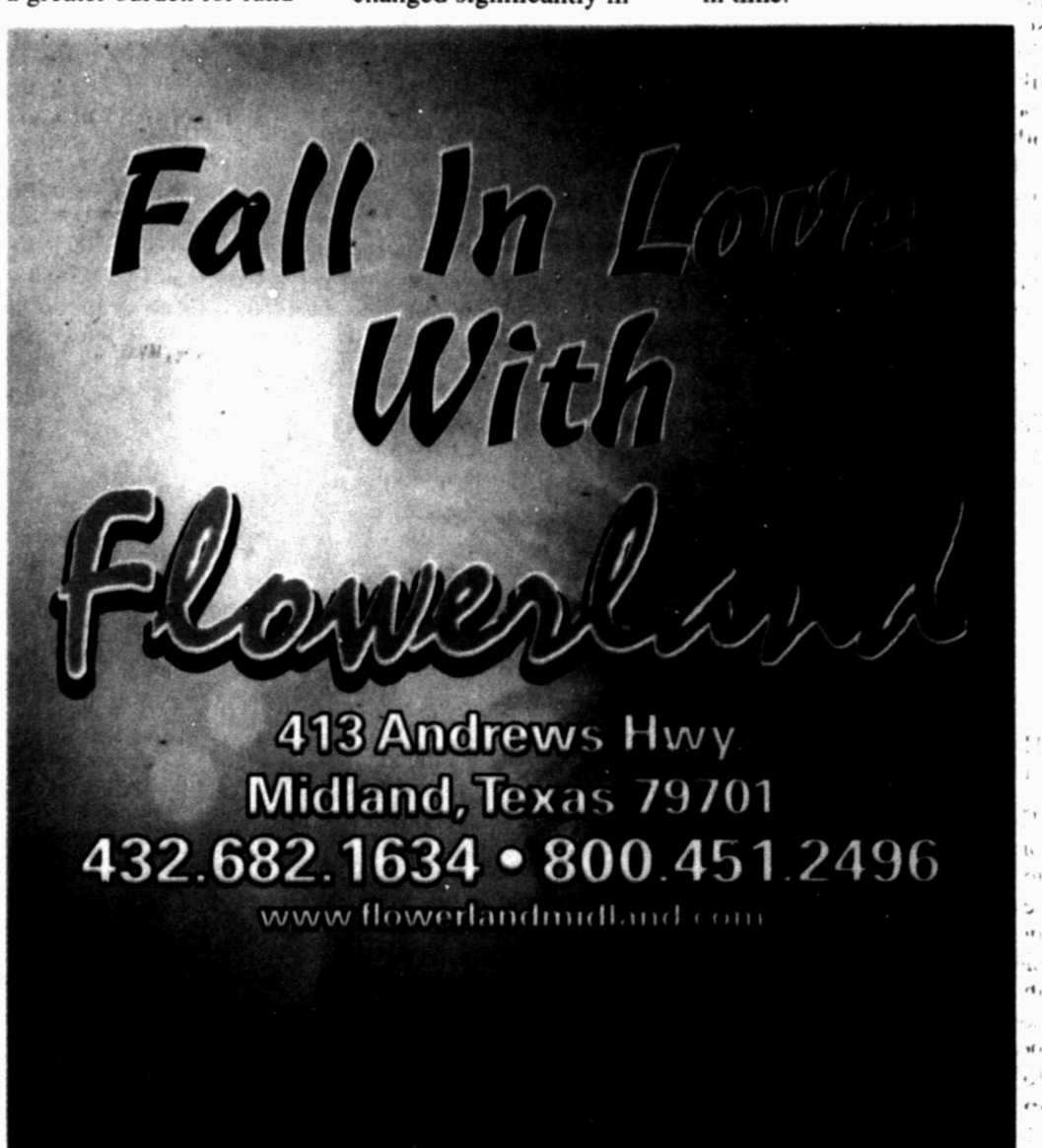
The current transportation allotment, which has not been updated since it was added to state law in 1984, is another school funding formula that remains frozen in time. Because of low pay, many districts are now losing bus drivers who are going to work driving oil field equipment at much higher pay, not to mention how much the cost of fuel, buses, and maintenance has increased over the past 30 years. To put things in perspective, the price of a regular gallon of gas was $1.21 in 1984. Compare that to what you pay at the pump today.

Texas voters have shown time-and-time again that they are willing to dip into their wallets to build new schools, preserve and modernize existing facilities, improve school safety, and bring new technology into classrooms.

In fact, in the Nov. 4 elections, voters in 45 districts authorized spending more than $4 billion so that their local schools had the facilities and resources necessary to educate students. What this also means is that voters want their students to succeed; they support their child's teachers; and they trust local district officials to spend their money fairly and frugally.

Now it's time for the state of Texas to invest in the future, as well. Now it's time for the Legislature to update other elements of our public school funding system, so that outdated formulas from 20-30 years ago are no longer frozen in time.





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TODAY: Partly sunny High: 64 Low: 43

THURSDAY: Mostly cloudy High: 64 Low: 50

FRIDAY: Sunny High: 67 Low: 47

SATURDAY: Partly sunny High: 61 Low: 47

SUNDAY: Partly sunny High: 60 Low: 42

MONDAY: Partly sunny High: 66 Low: 43

Local forecast

Expect partly sunny skies today with a high around 64 and south winds around 5 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 43 and northeast winds around 5 mph.

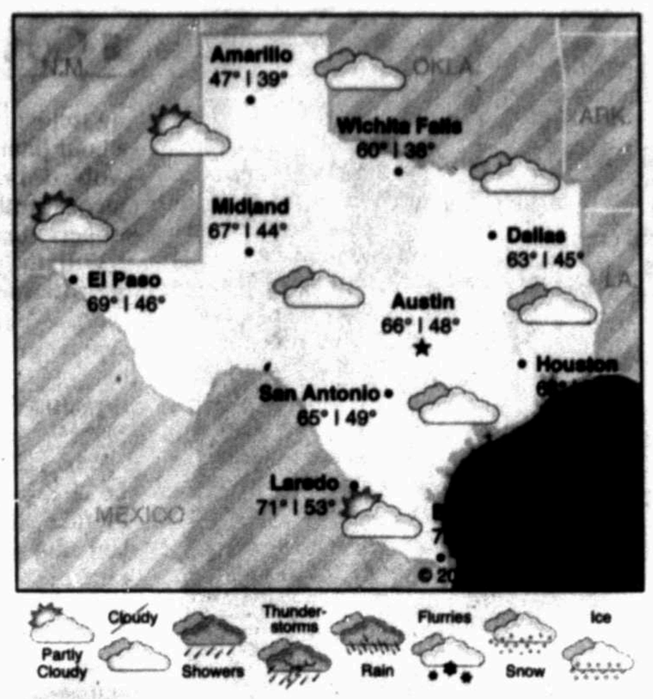
Thursday, look for mostly cloudy skies with a high around 64 and south winds around 5 mph. Expect mostly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 50 and south winds around 5 mph.

The high on Tuesday reached 59, while the low dropped to 36. The record high for Dec. 2 is 83 set in 2005. The record low is 17 set in 1985.

Weather brief

California might be the only state in the nation where a rainy day — complete with blinding sheets of water, shoe-sopping flooded intersections and chalk gray skies — puts people in a good mood.

In hard-hit Southern California, the storm was forecast to bring 2 to 6 inches of rain during the next 24 hours, a range that reflected the widely varying weather patterns in Los Angeles. If the forecast is accurate, this would be the biggest rainfall the region has experienced in two years.



Precipitation

Monday	0.00 in.
Tuesday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.00 in.
Year total	7.45 in.
Normal total (year to date)	14.04 in.

Tuesday's temperatures

High	59
Low	36
Normal high	61
Normal low	33
Sunrise	7:32 a.m.
Sunset	5:44 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, Dec. 3

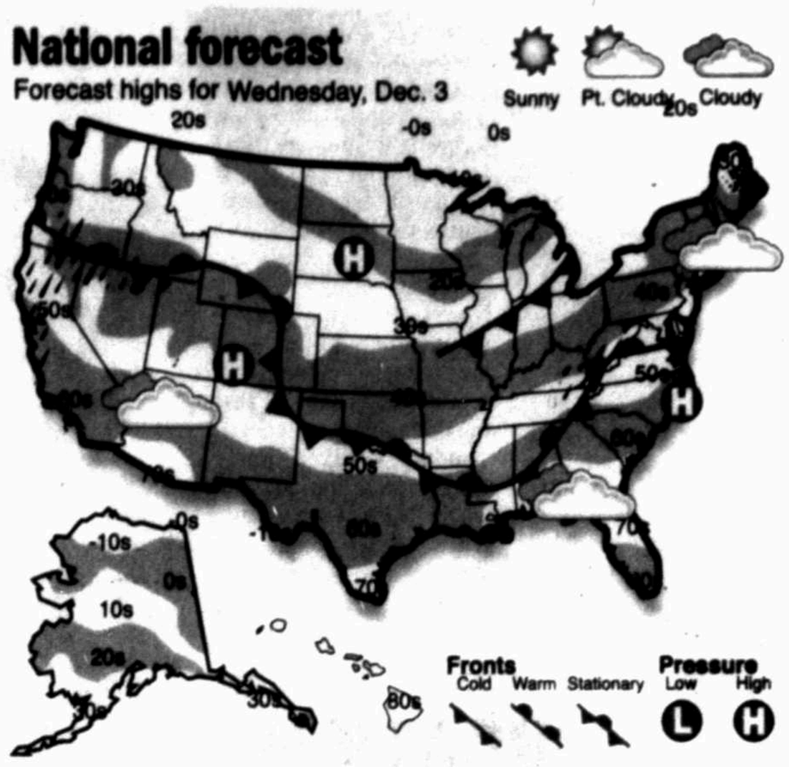


Photo gallery of perfection makes woman feel insecure

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 was divorced three years ago and have had a boyfriend, "Roger," for a year and a half. He is seven years younger, and he's intrigued with women on the Internet.

He saves tons of photos of these girls on his cellphone. These ladies are "perfect." They have big breasts and curvaceous behinds, etc. I have had two kids. I'm not overweight and I exercise and keep myself in shape, but I have a "Mom body."

Roger has told me he loves my body and everything about me. But the feeling I get is that he wishes I looked like those girls.

I have asked Roger not to save these photos because it makes me insecure. If he's going to look, fine. But saving them is another thing. He promised me he wouldn't, but some of them are still there. So he not only makes me feel like a fatty, but he lies to me, too. He has more pictures of other girls than he does of me.

Now I no longer feel comfortable undressing in front of him. I leave my clothes half-on and turn out the lights when we have sex. He has made me unable to stand myself. What do I do? — CAN'T COMPARE IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR CAN'T COMPARE: The first thing to do would be to stop looking at your boyfriend's cellphone. Then ask yourself whether he has been seeing other women or just collecting pictures. If it's the former, you have something to worry about. If it's the latter, it's no reflection on you, and he has voyeuristic tendencies (men are visual).

Stop making comparisons. He says he loves your body. Unless you have a solid reason to think differently, believe him.

You are overdue for a frank talk with Roger, and when you do, tell him everything you have written to me. Your problem may go deeper than his photo gallery and your lowered self-image. If you can't trust what he tells you, the foundation of your relationship isn't solid.

DEAR ABBY: I'm carrying a heavy burden concerning my 14-year-old grandson. He told me in strictest confidence that he had sex with a 14-year-old girl. I have been his male support system, mentor, adviser, disciplinarian and friend for 12 years because his father is rarely in the picture.

He swore me to secrecy, which I want to respect, but I'm torn about telling my daughter. She has a right to know that her son is sexually active and needs closer supervision. We discussed condoms (they used them), accidental pregnancy, possible criminal charges and responsibility, but I think he is more proud than alert to the possible consequences.

If I share this with my daughter, I break a long-held trust. When I urged him to tell his mother, he refused. What do I do? This is tearing me up. — KANSAS GRANDPA

DEAR GRANDPA: Without betraying the confidence, start talking to your daughter about how, at 14, her son is fast becoming a man with all that it entails, including raging hormones. Then suggest she have some frank talks with the boy and keep a closer eye on him, unless she wants to become a grandma before he's out of high school.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Analyze the lead

Neither vulnerable. East deals.

NORTH
♠ A K J 6 2
♡ K Q 7
♢ 10
♣ A 7 6 5

WEST
♠ 10 8 5
♡ 10
♢ 8 6 5 4 2
♣ Q 9 4 2

EAST
♠ Q 4
♡ 9 6 4 2
♢ K Q J 9 7
♣ K 10

SOUTH
♠ 9 7 3
♡ A J 8 5 3
♢ A 3
♣ J 8 3

The bidding:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
1♢	1♡	4*	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♡	Pass	6
Pass	Pass	Pass	

*Pre-emptive

Opening lead: Four of ♣

Good declarers are in the habit of analyzing the opening lead — why that suit, why that card and what does it all mean? They don't always do this at trick one.

South won the opening lead with dummy's ace, noting the 10 from East. He cashed the ace of spades before drawing trumps in four rounds, discarding a club from dummy. Next came a spade toward the dummy and South took some time to think about the hand.

East-West were using "third and fifth" leads, meaning they led the third highest card from an even number of cards and the lowest card from an odd number. East could therefore not have started with the king-queen-ten of clubs — West would not have led the four. King-ten-deuce was possible, but it seemed more likely that the lead was from four cards to an honor and that East had started with either king-ten or queen-ten doubleton. East had shown up with four hearts and likely five diamonds. Should East have started with a singleton spade, or three to the queen, the contract was not makeable.

Assuming this analysis was correct, then East had shown up with a combined maximum of nine high card points in hearts, diamonds and clubs. South reasoned that East needed to hold the queen of spades or he would not have the values to open the bidding, so he rose with dummy's king of spades and "great was the fall thereon."

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 Wednesday, Dec. 3, 2014:

This year you often waver between opposite points of view. You might wonder whether you need to be more logical or more emotional with your responses. You probably will try various combinations of both until you find your voice. If you are single, you are unusually alluring. Late summer through your next birthday is a prime time to meet someone significant. If you are attached, this magnetic quality will bring your sweetie even closer to you. You frequently might disagree, so you can expect a lot of kissing and making up. TAURUS is stubborn like you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ You continue to be unusually creative. Your dream life could be more active than you realize. Listen to your thoughts as you wake up. Discussions could revolve around finances. If you don't like what you are hearing, hold off on making a decision. Tonight: Out late.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You finally will feel in control and in touch with your needs. An associate might be difficult, no matter what you say or do. Reach out to someone at a distance, with whom you see eye to eye. Discussions are likely to be animated. Tonight: The world is your oyster.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★ Make it OK to have a quiet day at home. You could need some downtime, and now might be the best time for the next few weeks. Squeeze in a nap if you can. Others will miss your presence, but you will benefit from slowing the pace. Tonight: Work on being a couch potato.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Today you will take the correct path to where you want to be. Your sense of humor allows others to be more forthright. A meeting could provide a lot of insight about your finances, work and overall image. Say "no" to impulsive behavior. Tonight: You decide.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ You might not have a choice regarding a key matter. Air out your feelings, but do not expect anyone to be in agreement. Perhaps someone else will suggest a different path. Listen to your feelings, but also be willing to negotiate. Tonight: Out till the wee hours.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ You will want to seek out more information to help you better understand what's going on in a certain situation. You even might want to reach out to an expert on the topic at hand. Be willing to head in a different direction if you need to. Tonight: Weigh pros and cons.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Listen to a key person carefully, and you'll get a different perspective on things. Remain confident that what you both agree on will turn out to be an excellent plan. Deal with a personal matter that might involve your home. Tonight: Visit with a dear friend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Honor changes in your mood, and take note of others' behavior. You might be taken aback by an unexpected turn of events that could make you uncomfortable at first. Allow a partner or associate to take the lead. Your creativity seems endless. Tonight: Follow the leader!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Stay levelheaded when dealing with someone in your day-to-day life. Use your intuition to help ground this person. A change in how you handle your finances might be appropriate. Others will be inspired by your ideas and might start to think like you. Tonight: Choose a stressbuster.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You could be changing your perspective about a key relationship. What your inner voice says might not be valid, but it will be reflective of your personal agenda. Work on detachment and attaining a different, yet perhaps novel, perspective. Tonight: Be frisky.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ Stay calm when dealing with someone who can greatly affect your personal life. Where your friends are is where you'll want to be. Reach out to those who support you and demonstrate loyalty and caring. Join them for an adventure if you can. Tonight: Out and about.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Keep asking questions to get past an immediate obstacle. You could be surprised by how easy it will be to resolve this issue. Your circle of friend is transforming along with your goals. Don't be surprised if some of your new friends start to drift away. Tonight: Be available.

BORN TODAY

Actress Daryl Hannah (1960), singer/songwriter Ozzy Osbourne (1948), theorist Anna Freud (1895)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Quizmaster's request
7 Enjoy the sun
11 Four times a day, in an Rx
14 Whodunit plot element
15 Aunt Bee's grandnephew
16 Verse starter?
17 Geometry subject
19 Portfolio holding, briefly
20 Upset
21 Cards with pics
22 Cuban bandleader __ Prado, "King of the Mambo"
24 Western tie
26 Haughty look
28 Vertical window dressings
32 LPGA garment
34 "Do it, __ will!"
35 Lose one's cool
36 Bud
37 Where many pioneers headed
41 U.K. record label
42 More than enough
44 Scoreboard letters
45 Initial stage
47 Carrier based in Kathmandu
51 Autumn stones
52 "What __?"
53 "Never needs sharpening" brand
55 Certain Ivy Leaguer
56 Senator Cochran of Mississippi
60 Special forces weapon
61 Place for some exiled prisoners
65 Sneaker part
66 Work on film
67 Carol opening
68 '60s antiwar org.
69 Knocks
70 Stacked like Tupperware

DOWN

1 Music boosters
2 Brief legal plea
3 Rating symbol
4 Place offering two-ounce servings
5 December 24, e.g.
6 Send an amended 1040, say
7 Swampy spots
8 Calcutta Tech grad on "The Simpsons"
9 Respectful title
10 "That's yours now"
11 Eccentricity
12 Memo leadoff
13 Cameron of "Bad Teacher"
18 Much-admired one
23 Significant stretches
25 Not fooled by
26 "Fine by me"
27 Hosp. diagnostics
28 Rides during chukkers
29 Cringe
30 Parents' selection
31 Polish partner
32 Wing measurement
33 Farmers' market veggie
38 River to the Caspian
39 What we have here
40 Singer Braxton
43 Pub hardware
46 Plants with stinging hairs
48 "Time After Time" singer
49 Take it easy
50 Promiser's caveat
53 Inner workings
54 Tommy Hilfiger rival
55 Works on a sub
57 Quizmaster, e.g.
58 Get in on the deal
59 Like purple hair
62 Child expert LeShan
63 Something in the air, perhaps
64 Laudatory work

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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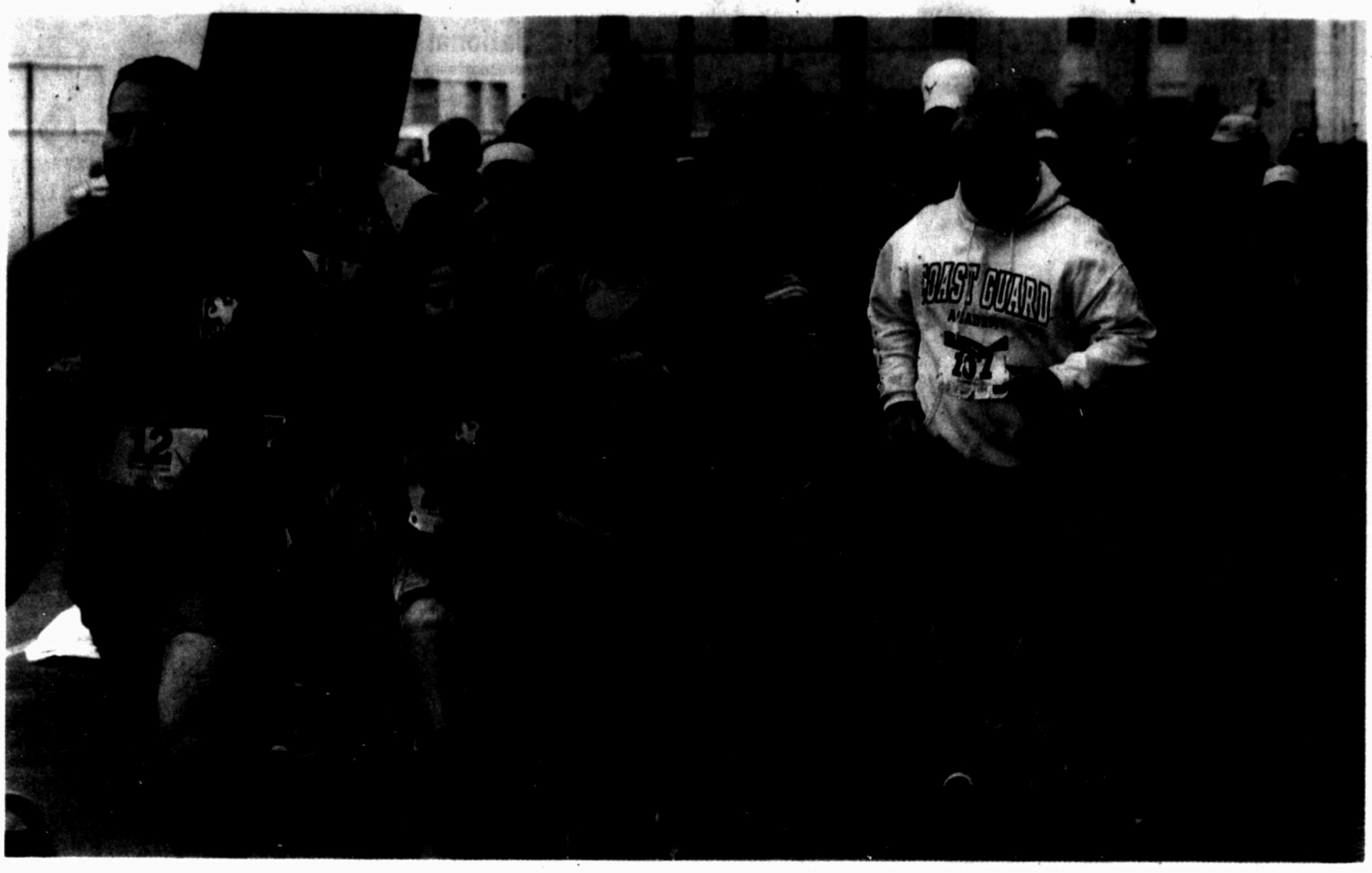

MISD VITALITY DAY 5K

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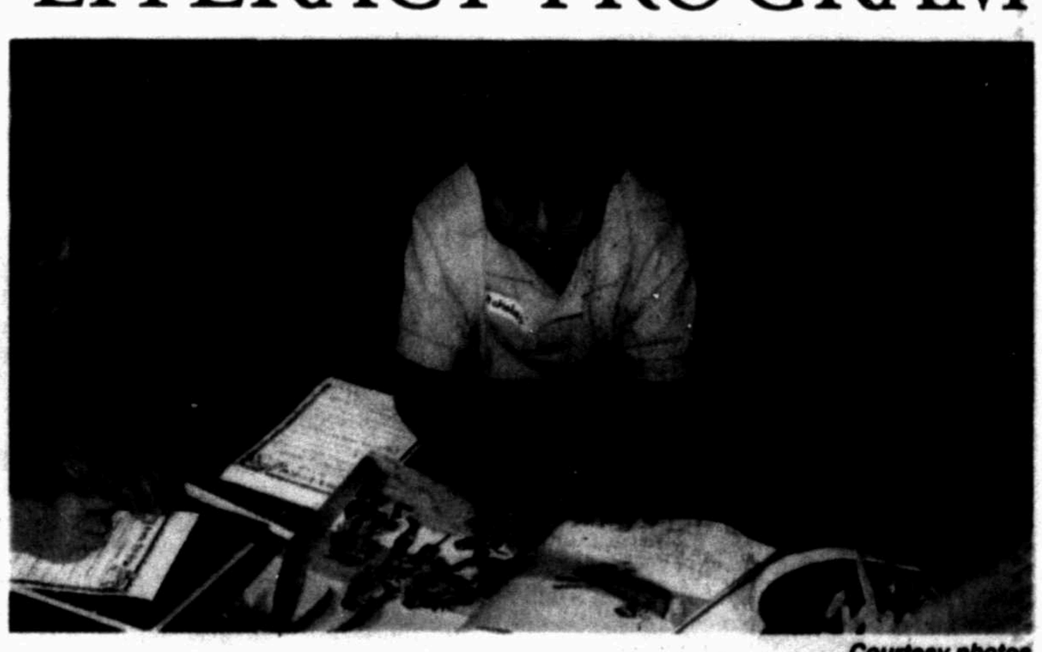
Runners and walkers come out Saturday morning for the first MISD Vitality Day 5K.

READING OLYMPICS LITERACY PROGRAM



Courtesy photos

Junior League of Midland and the Boys and Girls Club at Taylor Park hosted the closing ceremonies for the Reading Olympics on Nov. 20. Reading Olympics is a 12-week literacy program created by the local Junior League that aims to encourage elementary-age children to learn to love reading. The closing ceremonies included a guest reader, snacks and an awards ceremony.

Lady Dawgs knock off No. 2 Abilene Wylie

By Len Hayward
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Midland High	44
Abilene Wylie	37

Officially, Tuesday's 44-37 victory for Midland High against Class 4A No. 2-ranked Abilene Wylie doesn't mean much more than a notch in the win column.

But for a team with aspirations of winning a district title and making a playoff run, Tuesday's victory at the Midland High gym meant plenty for the team's confidence.

MHS used an 11-2 scoring burst bridging the third and fourth quarters to separate from Abilene Wylie and take the victory.

"It means a lot, they're a good team and we knew we were going to have to come and play," said Midland High senior Aubrie Elliott, who led the Lady Dawgs with 13 points. "We did what we had to do and this was a really big win for us this week."

Midland High (8-3) only trailed once in the game, and that was in the first quarter, but it was in the third quarter where MHS got the separation it needed.

Midland High was up 29-24 with 2:05 remaining in the third quarter as Abilene Wylie began to feed 6-foot-4 post Brittany Brewer.

Brewer scored six of Wylie's eight points up to that point in the quarter.

But Midland High scored six points over the final 1:03 of the quarter as one bucket came off a miss and another off one of Wylie's six turnovers in the quarter. The other two points in the six-point spurt was a pair of free throws from Kaylyn Evans.

MHS pushed its lead from five to 11 and led 35-24 at the end of the third quarter.

"We knew after the first half with (Brewer) not getting many touches, they were going to get it back to her," Midland High coach Wes Torres said. "(In the third quarter) we felt like they were getting fatigued and we got a couple of stops and pushed the ball in transition."

Abilene Wylie cut the lead to 40-32 at the 3:14 mark of the fourth quarter after a pair of free throws by London Weilert.

But Midland High was able to knock down three free throws, and hold Abilene Wylie to five

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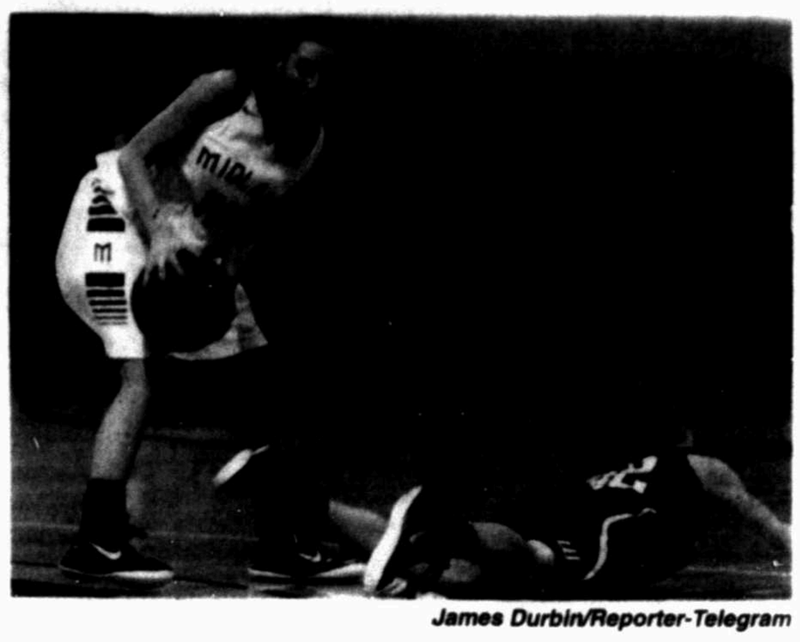

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Miranda Mast (11) gets the ball away from Abilene Wylie's Kinsey Christian (32) on Tuesday at MHS.

Season kicks into gear

King connecting from long range for Chaps

By Oscar LeRoy
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Midland College men's basketball coach Jordan Dreiling admits that sometimes he and assistant coach Bryan Hodgson turn into spectators on the sidelines watching what some of their players can do on the court.

It was especially fun to watch 6-foot-4 sophomore guard Quay King score a game-high 48 points and hit a school record 16 3-pointers in a 137-73 victory over Southwest Texas Junior College in mid November.

King did that on a school-record 32 shot attempts, but Dreiling wasn't mad at how many shots he took, considering the 6-foot-4 shooting guard had hit 10 of his 15 shots in the first half and four of those misses had gone in an out of the basket. All Dreiling and Hodgson could do was sit back and enjoy the shooting performance.

"Quay will make you do that sometimes," Dreiling said. "It was fun to watch. You don't see that very often. It was pretty cool."

King said that night at the Odessa College Classic was special.

"I felt great that night," King said. "The rim looked like a swimming pool and I just felt I could hit every shot. I just kept shooting."

Dreiling wouldn't mind seeing King have another great shooting performance tonight as the Chaparrals (8-2) travel to Big Spring to play Howard College (9-3) in the Western Junior College Conference Athletic Conference opener for both teams.

Getting a win tonight would be huge for either team in what is usually one of the toughest junior college conferences in the country. King said he and his team are ready.

"I played in a tough conference last year, I've played JUCO ball before and I know how the refs are," King said. "We'll be ready."

Last year, King played at Cowley County Junior College in Kansas but left after his coach was fired.

Midland College coaches jumped on the opportunity to recruit King, the Atlanta native, because of his shooting ability from 3-point range.

"He made 111 3s as a freshman," Dreiling said. "We knew he could really get hot. I think he shot 36-38 percent last year, and he's well above that."

This season he has hit 52 of 108 attempts from beyond the arc for a 48 percent average, which is really good for a 3-point shooter. He is also averaging a team-best 22.1 points per game.

"He's a very good shooter from 3, he can penetrate and he can hit the pull-up jumpers," Dreiling said. "He just has a knack for scoring the basketball."

King, who prefers to be called Quay or "Q-Jack" over his birth name Naquavious, said he started to learn to become a long-range shooter at

Please see KING/2C

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midland College's Quay King drives in for a layup on Nov. 8 against Seward College at the Chaparral Center.

Dixon making keys plays as WJCAC play starts

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland College's Sierra Dixon takes the ball to the hoop against Iowa Western on Nov. 22 at Chaparral Center.

By Oscar LeRoy
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Sierra Dixon is not the kind of player who gets down on herself whenever she misses a shot.

The 5-foot-5 freshman guard for the Midland College women's basketball team knows that she will have another chance to knock down a 3-pointer or make a key play the next time her team has the ball.

"When I'm on the court I just want to focus and make sure I make smart decisions," she said. "If I don't make a smart decision, I make sure I have a better possession the next time."

It's that mentality that is helping Dixon have success during her freshman year and that is also why she has a green light from head coach Ron Jones to take a shot whenever she's open.

"I think she's very confident," Jones said. "If she's open we want her to knock it down. I think that's a strength for her."

Dixon, who is the third-leading scorer for the Lady Chaparrals at 11.3 points per game, will look to help MC (8-5) get off to a good start in Western Junior College Athletic Conference play today when it visits rival Howard College (4-7) at Big Spring's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum.

"I feel pretty confident about conference," Dixon said. "I feel we have the opportunity to improve on certain things we've done in (non-conference) and also finish this semester strong."

Please see DIXON/2C

Bengals sign offensive tackle Eric Winston

By Joe Kay
Associated Press

CINCINNATI — The Bengals signed Eric Winston on Tuesday, giving them another candidate to play right tackle with Andre Smith sidelined for the rest of the season with an injury.

Winston

Winston, a nine-year veteran and a Lee Grad, started at right tackle for five seasons in Houston and one each in Kansas City and Arizona. He played in the preseason with Seattle and was released. Winston is head of the NFL Players Association.

Smith was put in the injured reserve list last week with a torn left triceps. The Bengals used Marshall Newhouse and Clint Boling at the position during a 14-13 win at Tampa Bay on Sunday that left Cincinnati (8-3-1) in control of the AFC North. Newhouse started the game, Boling replaced him, and Newhouse returned and finished the game at right tackle.

The Bengals also waived offensive tackle Jamon Meredith, who signed with the Bengals last week and was inactive on Sunday. Linebacker J.K. Schaffer was waived off the injured list after recovering from concussions. Schaffer, a Cincinnati native, got hurt during the preseason.

Cincinnati is in position to win its second straight division title, leading by more than a game. The Bengals host Pittsburgh (7-5) on Sunday, play at Cleveland (7-5), host Denver (9-3) in a Monday night game, then finish the regular season at Pittsburgh.

TCU jumps Florida St. into 3rd in playoff rankings

By Ralph D. Russo
Associated Press

TCU moved up to No. 3 in the final College Football Playoff rankings before the teams are selected to play in the national semifinals, becoming the latest team to jump past undefeated Florida State.

The Seminoles are fourth, still in position to reach the playoff if it can win Saturday's Atlantic Coast Conference championship game against No. 11 Georgia Tech.

Alabama is No. 1 and Oregon is second for the third straight week. The Crimson Tide plays 16th-ranked Missouri in the Southeastern Conference championship game, and Oregon faces Arizona in the Pac-12 title game.

The Wildcats' five-spot jump to seventh sets up a possible play-in game in Santa Clara, California, on Friday night. The Wildcats already have beaten Oregon in Eugene and could make another big jump by doing so again.

TCU finishes its regular season at

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FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

WHAT'S ON TV

GOLF

Nedbank Golf Challenge, First Round, 2 a.m., GOLF

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Temple at Saint Joseph's, 5:30 p.m., CBSSN

Buffalo at Saint Bonaventure, 6 p.m., SNY

Michigan State at Notre Dame, 6:15 p.m., ESPN2

Virginia Tech at Penn State, 6:15 p.m., ESPNU

Iowa at North Carolina, 6:30 p.m., ESPN

North Texas at Oklahoma State, 7 p.m., FSSWP

Southern Illinois at SIU Edwardsville, 7 p.m., FCSC

UNLV at Arizona State, 7 p.m., P12

Villanova at La Salle, 7:30 p.m., CBSSN

Auburn at Texas Tech, 8 p.m., SEC

UTEP at Colorado State, 8 p.m., ROOT

Virginia at Maryland, 8:15 p.m., ESPN2

Georgia Tech at Northwestern, 8:15 p.m., ESPNU

Duke at Wisconsin, 8:30 p.m., ESPN

UTSA at Northern Arizona, 8:30 p.m., FCSP

San Francisco at Colorado, 9 p.m., P12

Montana at Cal, 9 p.m., P12 BAY

Loyola Marymount at USC, 9 p.m., P12 LA

Wichita State at Utah, 10:15 p.m., ESPN2

Cal State Fullerton at UCLA, 11 p.m., P12/P12 BAY/P12 LA

MEN'S SOCCER

Copa del Rey: Atletico de Madrid at L'Hospitalet, 12:55 p.m., beIN/beIN2

Scottish Championship Semifinal: Rangers at Alloa Athletic, 1:30 p.m., FOXSOCP

English Premier: Tottenham at Chelsea, 1:45 p.m., NBCSN

English Premier: Southampton at Arsenal, 1:45 p.m., NBCET

English Premier: Manchester City at Sunderland, 1:45 p.m., NBCET

English Premier: Hull City at Everton, 1:45 p.m., NBCET

Copa del Rey: Barcelona at Huesca, 2:55 p.m., beIN/beIN2

Copa Sudamericana: CA River Plate at Atletico Nacional, 6 p.m., FOXDEP

A-League: Perth Glory at Sydney, 2:30 a.m., FOXSOCP

NBA

Chicago at Charlotte, 6 p.m., NBATV

San Antonio at Brooklyn, 6:30 p.m., FSSWSA

Dallas at Milwaukee, 7 p.m., FSSW

NHL

St. Louis at Chicago, 7 p.m., NBCSN

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Louisiana Tech at LSU, 6 p.m., SEC

Duke at Nebraska, 6:30 p.m., BTN

Seton Hall at Creighton, 7 p.m., FS1

New Mexico at Texas, 7 p.m., LHN

Loyola Marymount at Northern Arizona, 7 p.m., FCSP

WHAT'S ON DECK

JUNIOR COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL

Midland College at Howard College, 7:45 p.m.

JUNIOR COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Midland College at Howard College, 5:45 p.m.

NJCAA MEN'S POLL

NJCAA DIVISION I MEN'S BASKETBALL POLL
first place votes in parentheses

Rank College	Record	Pts.	Pvs.
1 Vincennes University (13)	9-0	347	1
2 Coll. of Southern Idaho (1)	10-0	326	5
3 Northwest Florida St. (2)	10-0	316	14
4 Trinity Valley CC	**12-1**	**296**	**2**
5 Salt Lake CC	8-0	268	8
6 Harcum College	8-0	250	17
7 Indian Hills CC	8-1	246	6
8 Hill College	**10-0**	**231**	**NR**
9 Gillette College	10-1	177	9
10 Southwest Tennessee CC	8-1	176	11
11 Butler CC	9-0	173	NR
12 Three Rivers CC	11-1	135	NR
13 Cloud County CC	10-0	130	NR
14 Tallahassee CC	9-1	127	NR
15 Hutchinson CC	9-1	108	22
16 Coffeyville CC	9-1	106	RV
17 Connors State College	11-1	104	RV
18 Columbia State CC	10-2	96	4
19 Central Arizona College	7-1	92	NR
20 Shelton State CC	7-0	90	NR
21 North Idaho College	8-1	75	21
22. Odessa College	**10-1**	**64**	**NR**
23 Georgia Highlands	8-1	60	NR
24. New Mexico JC	**10-2**	**55**	**12**
25 Cochise College	8-0	44	NR

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

BOSTON RED SOX — Did not tender a 2015 contract to INF Juan Francisco.

CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Did not tender 2015 contracts to RHP Scott Carroll and LHP Scott Snodgress.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Did not tender a 2015 contract to LHP Francisley Bueno.

LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Did not tender a 2015 contract to INF Gordon Beckham, RHP Yosian Herrera and LHP Wade LeBlanc.

OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Named Garvin Alston minor league pitching coordinator, Greg Sparks minor league hitting coordinator, Juan Navarrette minor league defensive, base running and bunting coordinator, Craig Lefferts minor league rehab pitching coordinator, Aaron Nieckula minor league field coordinator and manager of Vermont (NY-Penn), Don Schulze pitching coach and Webster Garrison hitting coach for Nashville (PCL), Ryan Christenson manager, John Wasdin pitching coach and Eric Martins hitting coach for Midland (Texas), Rick Magnante manager and Rick Rodriguez pitching coach for Stockton (Cal), Fran Riordan manager and Steve Connelly pitching coach for Beloit (MWL), Carlos Chavez pitching coach at Vermont, and Ariel Prieto pitching coach for the A's (Arizona). Agreed to terms with RHP Fernando Rodriguez and 1B Ike Davis to one-year contracts. Did not tender 2015 contracts to 1B Kyle Blanks and OF Andrew Brown.

SEATTLE MARINERS — Agreed to terms with 3B Kyle Seager on a seven-year contract.

National League

ATLANTA BRAVES — Did not tender 2015 contracts to RHP Kris Medlen, RHP Brandon Beachy and RHP Gus Schlosser.

CINCINNATI REDS — Acquired RHP Matt Magill from the Los Angeles Dodgers for OF Chris Heisey. Did not tender 2015 contracts to RHP Logan Ondrusek and RHP Curtis Partch.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Announced a four-year player development contract extension with Wisconsin (MWL) through the 2020 season.

NEW YORK METS— Did not tender a 2015 contract to OF Eric Young Jr.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Named Chris Correa director of scouting. Agreed to terms with RHP Matt Belisle on a one-year contract.

SAN DIEGO PADRES — Did not tender a 2015 contract to INF Everth Carbera.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA — Fined Denver G Arron Afflalo $15,000 for making excessive contact above the shoulders with Utah G Alec Burks during a Dec. 1 game.

HOUSTON ROCKETS — Recalled C Clint Capela from Rio Grande Valley (NBADL).

FOOTBALL

National Football League

BUFFALO BILLS — Signed WR Eric Thomas to the practice squad.

CAROLINA PANTHERS — Waived CB Antoine Cason and LB Jason Williams. Signed CB Carrington Byndom and LB Horace Miller from the practice squad.

CINCINNATI BENGALS — Signed OT Eric Winston. Waived OT Jamon Meredith. Waived LB J.K. Schaffer from the reserve/injured list.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS — Signed TE Richard Gordon. Waived TE Phillip Supernaw.

NEW YORK GIANTS — Placed OL Geoff Schwartz, OL Adam Snyder, DE Mathias Kiwanuka, DE Robert Ayers and LB Terrell Manning on injured reserve. Added G Eric Herman, DT Dominique Hamilton and LB James Davidson from the practice squad. Signed RB Chris Ogbonnaya.

TENNESSEE TITANS — Signed OT Terren Jones from Baltimore's practice squad. Placed WR Justin Hunter on injured reserve.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NHL — Fined the Los Angeles Kings $100,000 for violating the terms of Slava Voynov's suspension.

ANAHEIM DUCKS — Reassigned C Rickard Rakell and D Jesse Blacker to Norfolk (AHL).

BUFFALO SABRES — Activated D Josh Gorges off the injured reserve list. Placed F Cody McCormick on injured reserve. Recalled F Tim Schaller from Rochester (AHL).

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Recalled G Scott Darling from the Rockford (AHL).

ST. LOUIS BLUES — Signed G Martin Brodeur to a one-year contract.

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Signed D Anthony DeAngelo to a three-year contract.

WINNIPEG JETS — Recalled D Ben Chiarot from St. John's (AHL). Placed D Toby Enstrom on injured reserve, retroactive to Nov. 23.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

COLUMBUS CREW — Re-signed MFs Bernardo Anor and Justin Meram.

FC DALLAS — Re-signed G Chris Seitz. Exercised the 2015 contract options of F Tesho Akindele, F Fabian Castillo, G Jesse Gonzalez, D Moises Hernandez, MF Ryan Hollingshead, D Stephen Keel, G Dan Kennedy, D-MF Michel, F Blas Perez, MF Brian Span and MF Victor Ulloa. Declined the 2015 contracts options of D Jair Benitez, D Walter Cabrera, F Andres Escobar, G Raul Fernandez, D George John, MF Peter Luccin, MF Adam Moffat, MF Hendry Thomas, F Jonathan Top and D Nick Walker.

NEW YORK CITY FC — Named Rodrigo Marion youth technical coordinator and Oscar Pitillas physical training coach.

NEW YORK RED BULLS — Declined the 2015 contract options of F Saer Sene, D Kosuke Kimura, MF Bobby Convey, MF Marius Obekop, D Damien Perrinelle, D Ibrahim Sekagaya and D Richard Eckersley.

COLLEGE

CLEMSON — Promoted receivers coach Jeff Scott and running backs coach Tony Elliott co-offensive coordinators.

GEORGIA — Announced sophomore S J.J. Green will transfer.

MICHIGAN — Fired football coach Brady Hoke.

RADFORD — Named Julia Heaps women's assistant lacrosse coach.

SAMFORD — Announced the resignation of football coach Pat Sullivan.

TEXAS-PAN AMERICAN — Announced it will not renew the contract of volleyball coach Brian Yale.

UAB — Announced it is eliminating the football program.

Chaps' Guzonjic to sit out season

By Oscar LeRoy
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Midland College men's basketball coach Jordan Dreiling announced on Tuesday that sophomore forward Kenan Guzonjic has decided to sit out the season for the Chaparrals.

Guzonjic has not played this season after recovering from right knee surgery. The 6-foot-8 forward from Sarajevo, Bosnia, was supposed to play last weekend but informed Dreiling that his knee "didn't feel right" and he was going to sit out the year and seek a transfer so he could have three years of eligibility left to play at an NCAA Division I program.

Guzonjic was expected to start at the power forward position for the Chaps. He was also the only returning player with experience back from last year's 11-18 season. He averaged 8.4 points and 5.4 rebounds last season and has been garnering interest from several NCAA Division I programs.

"It hurts our depth and it would have given us good experience with a tough year," Dreiling said. "The right guys are the ones that are here with us and I just wish Kenan good things in the future."

The Chaps' depth will start to improve as they get 6-4 freshman guard Sajae Pryor back for today's game at Howard College after suffering a broken foot in the preseason. Dreiling said the team should also get 6-8 freshman forward William Tchiengang into the lineup later this month after sitting out with an ankle injury he suffered in the preseason.

King

From 1C

the age of 12 when his dad, Napoleon, used a unique form of teaching.

"My dad would take me out and have me put on some dark shades and just have me shoot," King said. "I could't see much because I had those shades on, but my dad would tell me 'just shoot.' That's the way I was taught and it has really helped me become a better shooter. I had to go by feeling, more than anything else."

WJCAC Men's Basketball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
Odessa College	0	0	10	1
New Mexico JC	0	0	9	2
Midland College	**0**	**0**	**8**	**2**
Frank Phillips	0	0	10	3
Howard College	0	0	9	3
Western Texas	0	0	8	3
South Plains	0	0	7	3
New Mexico Military	0	0	6	4
Clarendon College	0	0	3	10

Today's Games
Midland College at Howard College; Odessa College at Clarendon College; New Mexico Junior College at Frank Phillips College; New Mexico Military Institute at Western Texas College

Dreiling said while King's shooting has been what has gotten many people's attention, he is starting to become a well-rounded player.

"He's starting to understand the defense a little more and has to continue to put forth more effort on that end and rebound more," Dreiling said. "I think the sky's the limit for him."

His success, as well as the team's success has King enjoying his first semester at Midland College and he believes that good things are in store for the Chaparrals.

"I feel great about this team," King said. "It's not just about one player, we've got a lot of scorers on this team. We're also playing well together and we're playing for each other. We're the underdogs going into conference, but we're going to show people what we can do. We just have to continue playing as a team."

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Men: Midland College at Howard College

When/where: 7:45 p.m., Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Big Spring

Records: Midland College 8-2, 0-0 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Howard College 9-3, 0-0

Notes & quotes: This is the WJCAC opener for both teams. ... MC coach Jordan Dreiling said the Hawks have a good team as they have key returning players in 6-foot-6 sophomore guard Travis Charles (11.3 ppg) and 6-11 sophomore post Luis Shoshi (13.5 ppg, 10.7 rpg) performing well, while 6-2 guards Sam Finley (16.2 ppg) and Rob Gray (15.9) are the Hawks' leading scorers. "Their guards are small and tough and I think Howard is a good team, well coached and play really hard," Dreiling said. "I think we're in for a heck of a game." ...The Chaps are coming off a 1-1 weekend at the Collin College Thanksgiving Classic as they lost to Murray State (86-78) before they bounced back with a win against Collin County (80-63). Dreiling said just about everything went wrong in the loss to Murray State, including a dreadful 2-of-19 shooting performance from 3-point range. "That was definitely one we would love to have back, we talked about it and the guys responded right on Saturday," Dreiling said. "But if it means getting a win over Howard versus a loss against Murray, I'll take it."

Next: Clarendon College at Midland College, 5 p.m. Saturday; Howard College vs. Weatherford College at Brownwood, 4 p.m. Jan. 5

Dixon

From 1C

While she's a newcomer to the WJCAC, she's heard enough to know that just about every game is tough, especially when it comes to playing a rival.

"From where I'm from, I hear that it's more competitive and that there's more talent out here," Dixon said. "I feel it will help me grow as a player also and I will have a better learning experience around the game."

Improving as a player is a big goal for Dixon, who arrived to Midland College from Pittsburg, California. Coming to Texas was a major adjustment for the lifelong California girl and if you ask her how she ended up in Midland, she admits she really doesn't know what actually led her to become a Lady Chap.

WJCAC Women's Basketball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
New Mexico JC	0	0	10	2
Frank Phillips	0	0	7	1
Odessa College	0	0	10	2
Clarendon College	0	0	8	4
Midland College	**0**	**0**	**8**	**5**
Western Texas	0	0	8	5
Howard College	0	0	4	7
South Plains	0	0	2	7

Today's Games
Midland College at Howard College; Odessa College at Clarendon College; New Mexico Junior College at Frank Phillips College; Western Texas College is open

"(Assistant coach) Ginger Gatliff recruited me and I prayed about it," she said. "I feel I got here by God. I looked at other schools but this seemed like a smarter choice with me not being satisfied with the different offers that I did have and me being able to have a second chance to get better."

While Jones has seen Dixon go through the typical growing pains of a freshman, he's also seen her make strides in her first semester at the college level.

"I've seen her really focus on trying to do what we want her to do," Jones said. "She's got some good skills. She's kind of learning what we need her to do defensively, more than anything else, and when to use those skills offensively. She's got all the tools and she's already having a really good first semester for us. I expect her to get better and better the rest of the year, and obviously her sophomore year. I think she's a hard working player that wants to be good. I can see that she cares."

She also seems to care about her teammates and believes that the team chemistry is only growing stronger. Going into conference play, that chemistry may be crucial to their success.

"It's going to take a lot of hard work, especially making sure everybody is on the same page," said Dixon about the key for her team in the WJCAC. "I like the way everybody is starting to play together. I like how everybody is starting to know everybody's different positions and I'm feeling really comfortable with this team. If everybody is out competing I think we'll be in good shape."

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Women: Midland College at Howard College

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Notes & quotes: This is the conference opener for both teams. ...MC coach Ron Jones said depending on what day you ask him, he may have different opinions about the way his team is playing. During last weekend's Sonic Thanksgiving Classic in Odessa, his team played well in a 75-62 win over Hill College, but then he wasn't very pleased with the 57-55 loss to Cisco College on Saturday. "I'm glad we're going to have a conference game," he said. "After going to Kansas and playing in the WNIT, I'm not giving any excuses with the way we played on Saturday, but the non-conference games have lost their luster. I'm glad we're having a couple of conference games to finish up December. I would think it would be easier to get ready to play those than non-conference games right now." ... Jones said he doesn't know much about Howard, considering it's a new team from last year, but added that his main concern is having his team play more consistent. ...No Hawk is averaging in double figures as 5-foot-7 freshman guard Abigail Flores is the team's leading score at 7.8 ppg. ...The only player out for MC is freshman guard Morgan Ashton, who is out six to eight weeks after breaking a wrist in the WNIT.

Next: Clarendon College at Midland College, 3 p.m. Saturday; Howard College at Scottsdale (Ariz.) Community College, Dec. 29

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HIGHSCHOOLBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Girls

NO. 1 MIDLAND CLASSICAL 44 FORSAN 18

The Lady Knights' Kristen Johnson had the double-double of 14 points and 13 rebounds to lead MCA to a 44-18 non-district victory against Forsan on Tuesday night at the Midland Classical Academy gymnasium.

The No. 1-ranked Lady Knights held the Lady Buffaloes to single-digit points in all four quarters, and outscored Forsan 23-7 in the final two frames to clinch the victory.

Alissa Beattie added 10 points and four assists, and Elleri Haest had eight rebounds to go with her two points. Johnson also had five steals.

Midland Classical (5-0) will take on Coahoma at 6:30 p.m. Friday in a non-district game in Coahoma.

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 44, FORSAN 18

Forsan — Romen 8, Grantham 2, McDaniel 2, Phillips 4, Kemper 2

Midland Classical (5-0) — Alissa Beattie 10, Kristen Johnson 14, Delanie Griffin 7, Elleri Haest 2, Morgen Jones 8, Makenna Beattie 3

Forsan	5	6	2	5	— 18
MCA	11	10	13	10	— 44

Free throws — Forsan 0-4, MCA 1-4. 3-point goals — Forsan 2 (Romen), MCA 1 (M. Beattie). Total fouls — Forsan 9, MCA 11. Fouled out — MCA, Griffin.

Next: Midland Classical at Coahoma, 6:30 p.m. Friday

LUBBOCK COOPER 56 GREENWOOD 51

WOODROW — Lubbock Cooper connected on 11-of-12 free throws in the final period to clinch a 56-51 non-district victory against Greenwood on Tuesday.

The Rangerettes (4-6) climbed back into the game by outscoring the Lady Pirates 12-4 in the third quarter and were up 36-32. But Cooper outscored Greenwood 24-15 in the final period to take the victory.

Amanda Bell led Greenwood with 27 points in the loss.

Greenwood will take on Keller Central at 9:30 a.m. Thursday during the first day of the Kennedale Tournament.

LUBBOCK COOPER 56, GREENWOOD 51

Greenwood (4-6) — Caity Payne 3, Regan Shockley 2, Natalee Karcher 2, Layne Banks 2, Amanda Bell 27, Jessica Avery 3, Cylie Mebane 5, Emilee Vogler 2, Callie Rose Gilbert 5

Lubbock Cooper — Wilson 9, Speers 2, Hise 6, Windham 2, Patel 1, Doherty 9, A. Gregory 2, L. Gregory 22, Douglas 3

Greenwood	13	11	12	15	— 51
Lubb. Cooper	15	13	4	24	— 56

Free throws — Greenwood 10-21, LC 13-18. 3-point goals — Greenwood 1 (Bell), LC 7 (Wilson 3, Doherty, L. Gregory 3). Total fouls — Greenwood 14, LC 20. Fouled out — None.

Next: Greenwood vs. Keller Central, 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Kennedale Tournament

WALL 32 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 24

Wall held Midland Christian scoreless in the second quarter as the Lady Hawks won a non-district game at the McGraw Events Center.

Caroline Hammond had eight points to lead the Lady Mustangs (7-2), who next play at the Monahans Tournament, beginning on Thursday.

WALL 32, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 24

Wall — Bierschke 2, Brest 11, B. Chitsey 4, Phillips 2, Gulley 2, M. Chitsey 9

Midland Christian (7-2) — Megan Ashton 4, Blaire Netherlin 6, Lindsey Mills 4, Bailey Wright 2, Caroline Hammond 8

Wall	6	10	4	12	— 32
MCS	6	0	6	12	— 24

Free throws — Wall 11-15, MCS 8-8. 3-point goals — Wall 1 (Brest). Total fouls — Wall 13, MCS 15. Fouled out — Hammond.

Next game: Midland Christian vs. Alpine at Monahans Tournament, 9 a.m. Thursday

EUNICE, N.M. 49 TRINITY 27

Trinity was held to single digits for three quarters as Eunice, N.M., won a non-district game at Beal Gymnasium.

Trinity's Macy Essman led all scorers with 19 points.

The Lady Chargers next play at the Rankin Tournament, beginning on Thursday.

EUNICE, N.M. 49, TRINITY 27

Eunice — Vinson 2, Parker 2, Vito 1, Montanez 8, Mendoza 10, Orosco 3, Jones 7, Sanchez 3, Fite 13

Trinity (3-3) — Macy Essman 19, Katie Pack 1, Reagan Long 5, Ashley Stroup 2

Eunice	14	13	12	10	— 49
Trinity	7	5	4	11	— 27

Free throws — Eunice 6-20, Trinity 12-29. 3-point goals — Eunice 1 (Sanchez), Trinity 1 (Long). Total fouls — Eunice 25, Trinity 11. Fouled out — None.

Next: Trinity vs. Buena Vista at Rankin Tournament, 4:30 Thursday

GRADY 40 COAHOMA 32

LENORAH — Grady used a big third quarter to take the lead and hold on for a 40-32 non-district victory against Coahoma on Tuesday.

The Bulldogettes led 21-20 at the end of the first half, but the Lady Wildcats outscored Coahoma 15-5 in the third quarter to take the lead.

Carli Richards led Grady (2-2) with nine points, and Lauren Simer led Coahoma with 10 points.

Grady will take on Paducah in a non-district game at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Lubbock Trinity Christian.

GRADY 40, COAHOMA 32

Coahoma — Lauren Simer 10, Kaeli Yager 8, Alexis Jackson 6, Melanie Holgerson 5, Riley Jacobs 2, Kelli Schaefer 1

Grady (2-2) — Carli Richards 9, Jenny Fields 8, Brittney Garza 7, Viviana Perez 6, Ariel Arnold 5, Emily Glaze 3, Jacey Parker 2

Coahoma	9	12	5	6	— 32
Grady	11	9	15	5	— 40

Free throws — Coahoma 9-15, Grady 7-21. 3-point goals — Coahoma 1 (Holgerson), Grady 5 (Perez 2, Fields 2, Arnold). Total fouls — Coahoma 15, Grady 15. Fouled out — none.

Next: Grady vs. Paducah, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Lubbock Trinity Christian

PLAINS 64 STANTON 46

STANTON — Plains knocked down 12 3-pointers to take a 64-46 non-district victory against Stanton on Tuesday night.

The Cowgirls jumped out a 21-4 lead at the end of the first quarter and the Lady Buffaloes (7-4) were playing catch-up after that. Stanton outscored Plains 19-12 in the fourth quarter.

Miranda Myrick led Stanton with 16 points in the loss.

The Lady Buffaloes will take on Snyder in a non-district game 6:30 p.m. Friday at home.

PLAINS 64, STANTON 46

Plains — S. Sosa 11, Brane 15, Davis 12, Earnest 15, Sol Sosa 3, Henderson 6, Michalesan 2

Stanton (7-4) — Labi Long 5, Shelby Holland 3, Brooke Hernandez 3, Miranda Myrick 16, Alyssa Peterson 9, Kaitlyn Nichols 2, Hannah Franklin 8

Plains	21	18	13	12	— 64
Stanton	4	12	11	19	— 46

Free throws — Plains 8-10, Stanton 17-28. 3-point goals — Plains 12 (S. Sosa 2, Brane 2, Davis, Earnest 4, Sol Sosa, Henderson 2), Stanton 5 (Holland, Hernandez, Peterson 3). Total fouls — Plains 19, Stanton 10. Fouled out — Plains, S. Sosa, Davis.

Next: Snyder at Stanton, 6:30 p.m. Friday

Boys

NO. 11 ABILENE WYLIE 75 MIDLAND HIGH 44

Abilene Wylie held Midland High to four points in the third quarter to break open a tight game and win 75-44 on Tuesday at the Midland High gymnasium.

Abilene Wylie, who is ranked No. 11 in Class 4A by the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches, were up 34-29 after two quarters, but then outscored MHS 17-4 in the third period to take over the game.

Andrew Norwood led Midland High with 10 points and was the only MHS player in double figures, and Dion Novil led Wylie with 11 points.

Midland High will begin play in the Kangaroo Classic in Weatherford on Thursday.

ABILENE WYLIE 75, MIDLAND HIGH 44

Abilene Wylie (3-1) — Logan Gilliam 6, Matt Lovelace 2, Josh Novil 13, Mason Davis 3, Jeremy Ayers 4, Blayne Deen 5, Payton Duggan 6, Chris Henderson 8, Braxton Piland 8, Brendan Carlson 5, Dion Novil 11

Midland High — Jamel Jones 3, A.D. Johnson 4, Brandon Sanchez 4, Justin LeClear 2, Aaron Collins 2, Andrew Norwood 10, Jalen Childress 2, Nate Rogers 5, Adrian Reyes 3.

Abilene Wylie	17	17	19	22	— 75
MHS	15	14	4	11	— 44

Free throws — Abilene Wylie 16-31, MHS 4-7. 3-point goals — Abilene Wylie 5 (Novil, Henderson 2, Piland, Carlson), MHS 0. Totals fouls — Abilene Wylie 15, MHS 26.

Next: Midland High at Kangaroo Classic, Weatherford

DENVER CITY 71 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 67

DENVER CITY — Midland Christian was called for 34 fouls and shot 21 fewer free throws and only lost by four to Denver City in a non-district game.

Denver City was 29 of 44 at the free-throw line, while Midland Christian was 14 of 23 at the charity stripe.

Midland Christian (1-2) was led by Daniel Venzant and Grant Little with 19 points each. Bryce Watters added 12 for the Mustangs, who head to the Levelland Tournament on Thursday.

DENVER CITY 71, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 67

Midland Christian (1-2) — Daniel Venzant 19, Blake Fletcher 4, Bryce Watters 12, Daniel Parkhurst 4, Grant Little 19, Brett Thomason 5, Garry Powell 4

Denver City (1-0) — S. Gutierrez 6, K. Patterson 6, B. Garcia 15, M. Delarosa 2, H. Hemmeline 12, O. Aguirre 17, Jay Villarreal 9, B. Burris 4

MCS	15	23	16	13	— 67
Denver	16	18	15	22	— 71

Free throws — MCS 14-23, DC 29-44. 3-point goals — MCS 7 (Venzant 2, Waters 3, Parkhurst, Little). Total fouls — MCS 34, DCHS 17. Fouled out — Waters.

Next: Midland Christian vs. Levelland at Levelland Tournament, 2 p.m. Thursday

EUNICE 43 TRINITY 30

Eunice (N.M.) used a strong first half to defeat Trinity in non-district action at Beal Gymnasium.

Boomer Selvera had nine points to lead the Chargers (3-3).

Trinity next plays at the Rankin Tournament, beginning on Thursday.

EUNICE 43, TRINITY 30

Eunice — Nichols 5, Zamora 11, Rodriguez 1, Gonzalez 9, Jenkins 11, York 4, Luis 4

Trinity (3-3) — Phillip Beal 3, Jacob Webb 3, Peter Rodenko 5, Daniel Webb 2, Vincent Baiano 2, Boomer Selvera 9, Ryan Armendariz 2, Ben Witt 3, Anthony Dragun 1

Eunice	13	15	7	8	— 43
Trinity	7	6	10	7	— 30

Free throws — Eunice 12-23, Trinity 13-25. 3-point goals — Eunice 1 (Jenkins), Trinity 1 (Selvera). Total fouls — Eunice 22, Trinity 24. Fouled out — Gonzalez, Luis, Webb.

Next game: Trinity vs. Iraan at Rankin Tournament, 5:30 p.m. Thursday

STANTON 52 PLAINS 36

STANTON — David Ramsey scored a game-high 21 points to lead Stanton in a non-district victory over Plains.

K.J. Glaspie added 12 for the Buffaloes (2-1).

STANTON 52, PLAINS 36

Plains — Garcia 17, Burgoin 2, Lozano 2, Mejia 4, Gonzales 2, Leara 2, Trevino 5, Lozano 2

Stanton (2-1) — David Ramsey 21, K.J. Glaspie 12, Tristan Graves 8, Estevan Chavez 4, Ausin Fryar 4, Colby Gordon 2, Justin Rife 1

Plains	3	8	11	14	— 36
Stanton	11	15	10	16	— 52

Free throws — Plains 6-14, Stanton 6-10. 3-point goals — Stanton 6 (Ramsey 4, Garves 2). Total fouls — Plains 14, Stanton 15. Fouled out — Rife.

Next game: Stanton vs. Sundown at Denver City Tournament, 11 a.m. Thursday

LUBBOCK COOPER 66 GREENWOOD 43

WOODROW — Lubbock Cooper jumped out to an 18-6 lead in the first quarter and rolled to a non-district victory over Greenwood on Tuesday.

Alex Montes led the Rangers (0-4) with 12 points.

The Rangers next head to the Kennedale Tournament on Thursday.

LUBBOCK COOPER 66, GREENWOOD 43

Greenwood (0-4) — Austin Ulcak 1, Sam Magallan 9, Javier Vizcaino 2, Alex Montes 12, Jake Rogers 6, Tyler Porras 2, Kelly Cooper 6, Caige Wall 1

Lubbock Cooper — Ellers 4, Cantu 5, Perez 5, Carlton 7, Bradshaw 3, Neavort 4, Cowert 9, Shaw 7, Vinson 6, Best 3, Robertson 5, Romero 7

Greenwood	6	10	9	18	— 43
Cooper	18	16	21	11	— 66

Free throws — GHS 13-20, LCHS 26-42. 3-point goals — GHS 2 (Magalles 2), LCHS 7 (Cantu, Perez, Carlton, Bradshaw, Shaw, Best, Romero). Total fouls — GHS 26, LCHS 19. Fouled out — Porras, Vizcaino, Wall, Robertson. Technical fouls — Neavort.

Next game: Greenwood vs. Kennedale at Kennedale Tournament, 11 a.m. Thursday

NO. 4 GRADY 67 COAHOMA 43

LENORAH — Five different players scored in double figures as No. 4 Grady took a 67-43 non-district victory against Coahoma at home on Tuesday.

Braeden Jones led Grady (2-0) with 13 points, Dillon Polson scored 12, and Kyle Garza, E.J. Rodriguez and Cole Avery each had 10 in the victory.

Grady will take on Paducah in a non-district game at 8 p.m. Friday at Lubbock Trinity School, and Coahoma will Grape Creek at 8 p.m. on Friday at home.

GRADY 67, COAHOMA 43

Coahoma — Kody Barber 8, Mason Moore 2, Kyler Franks 12, Cade Ramsey 8

Grady (2-0) — Kyle Garza 10, Braeden Jones 13, EJ Rodriquez 10, Devynn Smith 8, Cole Avery 10, Dillon Polson 12, Andrue Robles 4

Grady	12	19	20	16	— 67
Coahoma	5	13	12	13	— 43

Free throws — Grady 14-22, Coahoma 5-8. 3-point goals — Grady 3 (Avery, Jones, Smith), Coahoma 2 (Iden, Franks). Total Fouls — Grady 15, Coahoma 16. Fouled out — Coahoma Franks. JV — Grady 28, Coahoma 25.

Next: Grady vs. Paducah, 8 p.m. Friday, Lubbock Trinity Christian School

SHERWOOD CHRISTIAN 59 MIDESSA WARRIORS 28

Taj Fleming and Jonathon Bailey each scored 20 points as Sherwood Christian Academy defeated the Midessa Warriors on Tuesday.

SHERWOOD CHRISTIAN 59, MIDESSA WARRIORS 28

Sherwood Christian — Jarrett Gray 8, Zach Stewart 10, Peanut Gates 1, Taj Fleming 20, Jonathon Bailey 20

Midessa Warriors — JJ 2, Dylan Ard 3, Matthew 3, Malik 8, Derrick 11

Sherwood Christian	13	10	20	16	— 59
Midessa	2	5	11	10	— 28

Free throws — Sherwood Christian 6-12, Midessa Warriors 1-4. 3-point goals — Sherwood Chrsitian (Fleming 3, Bailey 2), Midessa 3. Total fouls — Sherwood Christian 16, Midessa Warriors 15. Fouled out — none.

Next: Sherwood Christian at Portales, N.M. Friday

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 60 FORSAN 48

Heath Gladson scored 24 points and two other Midland Classical players scored in double figures in a 60-48 non-district victory against Forsan on Tuesday night at the Midland Classical Academy gymasium.

The Knights (5-1) battled back from a three-point first quarter deficit to outscore the Buffaloes 18-8 in the second quarter, and 30-25 in the second half.

Garrett Sparks had 13 points and Blake Gladson had 10 in the victory.

Midland Classical will take on Rankin at 10:15 a.m. Thursday during the first day of the Rankin Tournament.

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 60, FORSAN 48

Forsan — Ryan Pearson 4, Garrett Evans 4, Dalton Ogle 4, Ben Mikeska 2, Jacob Valdez 18, Trevor Williams 3, Ian Park 8, Walker Park 5

Midland Classical (5-1) — Garrett Sparks 13, Heath Gladson 24, Blake Gladson 10, Marshall McCray 4, Kevin Giffin 9

Forsan	15	8	12	13	— 48
MCA	12	18	11	19	— 60

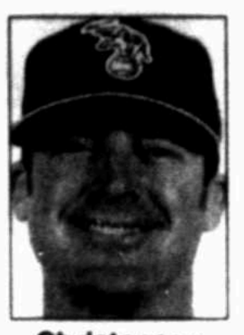
Free throws — Forsan 4-8, MCA 8-10. 3-point goals — Forsan 2 (Trevor Williams, Walker Park), MCA 6 (Sparks, H. Gladson 2, B. Gladson 3). Total fouls — Forsan 11, MCA 10. Fouled out — none.

Next: Midland Classical vs. Rankin, 10:15 a.m., Thursday, Rankin Tournament

RockHounds' new field staff is announced

From staff reports

The Oakland Athletics announced on Tuesday that former A's player Ryan Christenson will be the manager of the Midland RockHounds for the 2015 season.



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Christenson, 40, managed the Stockton Ports to a California League-best record of 85-55 in 2014 before losing in the first round of the California League's playoffs in 2014. Christenson will take over for Aaron Nieckula, who led the RockHounds to a third Texas League title in 2014 and has taken another position within the A's organization.

Christenson was drafted by the A's in 1998 out of Pepperdine and played in parts of six Major League seasons for a total of 452 games. He also played with Arizona, Milwaukee and Texas. He managed at Single-A Beloit in 2013 in the A's organization.

Joining him on this year's staff will be pitching coach and former Major Leaguer John Wasdin, hitting coach Eric Martins and strength and conditioning coach A.J. Seeliger. Athletic trainer Justin Whitehouse is the lone member of last year's field staff to return, and he will begin his eighth season with the RockHounds in April.

Nieckula was named the A's Minor League Field Coordinator, and will serve as a roving instructor and manage the Vermont Lake Monsters of the Single-A short-season New York-Penn League.

Former RockHounds manager and hitting instructor Webster Garrison will join former RockHounds manager Steve Scarsone at Triple-A Nashville as hitting coach, and former 'Hounds pitching coach Don Schulze will serve in the same position in Nashville.

UTPBROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

HILL-BEY LEADS UTPB MEN IN WIN

PORTALES, N.M. — Malcolm Hill-Bey scored a game-high 23 points to lead the UTPB men's basketball team to an 81-65 victory over Eastern New Mexico at Greyhound Arena on Tuesday.

Phadarius Taylor added 20 points for the Falcons, who shot 50 percent for the game and improved to 5-1.

ENMU (4-4) was held to 36.2 percent shooting.

UTPB WOMEN FALL TO NM HIGHLANDS

LAS VEGAS, N.M. — New Mexico Highlands used a strong second half to beat the UTPB women's basketball team 70-63 Tuesday at the John A. Wilson Complex.

UTPB (4-2) led 32-31 at the intermission but shot just 26 percent in the second half.

Lee grad Shaquri Graham led the Lady Falcons with 18 points, while Giselle Loya added 15.

New Mexico Highlands (1-3) was led by Angelina Sanchez with a game-high 19 points.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Alexis Washington (14) dribbles against Abilene Wylie's Peyton Sanders (34) on Tuesday at MHS.

Gordie Howe hospitalized after another stroke

By Betsy Blaney
Associated Press

LUBBOCK — Hockey Hall of Famer Gordie Howe has suffered his third stroke since late October and was hospitalized early this week, his daughter said Tuesday.

Cathy Purnell said her father suffered a "significant stroke" on Monday. Howe was stable and "a little bit alert" Tuesday morning, and doctors at a Lubbock hospital where he was taken were scheduled to do additional tests, she said.

"He's a fighter," Purnell said. "The man is tough. He has this will to keep going, all things considered."

Purnell said therapists who have been tending to Howe arrived at her house Monday morning and discovered him nonresponsive in bed. Howe remained that way until evening, when Purnell said he recognized family members once he became alert.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL SCORES AND SCHEDULES

Men

TUESDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

St. Mary's (Texas) 60, Texas A&M-Kingsville 55
Texas 63, Texas-Arlington 53
Texas Lutheran 80, McMurry 66

SOUTH

Alabama 82, South Florida 71
Belmont 63, Middle Tennessee 59
Coastal Carolina 66, SC State 52
Coll. of Charleston 59, The Citadel 55
FIU 59, Kennesaw St. 38
Georgia 86, Chattanooga 55
Hampton 62, Tennessee St. 54
James Madison 63, Campbell 61
LSU 82, UMass 60
Louisiana Tech 99, Northwestern St. 88
Louisville 64, Ohio St. 55
Md.-Eastern Shore 65, UMBC 52
Mercer 62, St. Andrews 33
Miami 70, Illinois 61
Minnesota 84, Wake Forest 69
NC Central 101, Johnson & Wales (NC) 38
South Alabama 71, Spring Hill 54
Stephen F. Austin 64, Memphis 52
Troy 72, Alcorn St. 51
UCF 61, Georgia Southern 59

TODAY'S GAMES

SOUTHWEST

North Texas at Oklahoma St., 7 p.m.
Houston Baptist at Rice, 7 p.m.
Sam Houston St. at Texas A&M, 7 p.m.
Texas Lutheran at Texas St., 7 p.m.
Creighton at Tulsa, 7 p.m.
Schreiner at Prairie View, 7:30 p.m.
Auburn at Texas Tech, 8 p.m.

SOUTH

Charlotte at Davidson, 6 p.m.
Valparaiso at E. Kentucky, 6 p.m.
East Carolina at FAU, 6 p.m.
Dartmouth at Longwood, 6 p.m.
UT-Martin at N. Kentucky, 6 p.m.
William & Mary at Richmond, 6 p.m.
IPFW at Stetson, 6 p.m.
Lipscomb at Tennessee Tech, 6 p.m.
St. Andrews at UNC Wilmington, 6 p.m.
Presbyterian at Wofford, 6 p.m.
Old Dominion at George Mason, 6:30 p.m.
Iowa at North Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
North Florida at Bethune-Cookman, 7 p.m.
W. Carolina at ETSU, 7 p.m.
Winthrop at Jacksonville St., 7 p.m.
Jackson St. at Louisiana-Lafayette, 7 p.m.
Bethel (Tenn.) at Murray St., 7 p.m.
Bowling Green at W. Kentucky, 7 p.m.
N. Dakota St. at Southern Miss., 7:30 p.m.
Southern NO at McNeese St., 8 p.m.
Virginia at Maryland, 8:15 p.m.

FAR WEST

UNLV at Arizona St., 7 p.m.
Grambling St. at Air Force, 8 p.m.
UTEP at Colorado St., 8 p.m.
New Mexico St. at New Mexico, 8 p.m.
S. Dakota Mines at Montana St., 8:05 p.m.
UTSA at N. Arizona, 8:30 p.m.
Montana at California, 9 p.m.
San Francisco at Colorado, 9 p.m.
UC Irvine at Fresno St., 9 p.m.
Nevada at Long Beach St., 9 p.m.
Concordia (Ore.) at Oregon, 9 p.m.
Cal St.-Hayward at Pacific, 9 p.m.
Portland St. at Portland, 9 p.m.
Loyola Marymount at Southern Cal, 9 p.m.
San Jose St. at UC Davis, 9 p.m.
Idaho at Washington St., 9 p.m.
Wichita St. at Utah, 10 p.m.
MVSU at Oregon St., 11 p.m.
Cal St.-Fullerton at UCLA, 11 p.m.

MIDWEST

Dayton at Miami (Ohio), 6 p.m.
Cleveland St. at Toledo, 6 p.m.
Butler at Indiana St., 6:05 p.m.
Michigan St. at Notre Dame, 6:15 p.m.
Rochester (Mich.) at Oakland, 6:30 p.m.
Ball St. at E. Illinois, 7 p.m.
Tulane at Loyola of Chicago, 7 p.m.
UMKC at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
Wayne (Neb.) at S. Dakota St., 7 p.m.
S. Illinois at SIU-Edwardsville, 7 p.m.
Georgia Tech at Northwestern, 8:15 p.m.
Duke at Wisconsin, 8:30 p.m.

EAST

Temple at Saint Joseph's, 5:30 p.m.
Holy Cross at Albany (NY), 6 p.m.
American U. at Brown, 6 p.m.
Sacred Heart at Colgate, 6 p.m.
Army at Delaware, 6 p.m.
Northeastern at Harvard, 6 p.m.
New Hampshire at LIU-Brooklyn, 6 p.m.
St. Francis (Pa.) at Lehigh, 6 p.m.
NJIT at Mass.-Lowell, 6 p.m.
Penn at Navy, 6 p.m.
CCSU at Rider, 6 p.m.
Buffalo at St. Bonaventure, 6 p.m.
Canisius at St. Peter's, 6 p.m.
Coppin St. at Towson, 6 p.m.
Hartford at Vermont, 6 p.m.
Virginia Tech at Penn St., 6:15 p.m.
Binghamton at Boston U., 6:30 p.m.
Yale at Bryant, 6:30 p.m.
Villanova at La Salle, 7:30 p.m.
Princeton at Fairleigh Dickinson, 8:30 p.m.

Women

TUESDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Angelo St. 65, McMurry 48
Oklahoma St. 90, Ark.-Pine Bluff 45
UTEP 84, E. New Mexico 49
UTSA 63, Texas-Arlington 55

SOUTH

Alabama 74, SC-Upstate 65
Auburn 79, Marquette 53
Belmont 80, Lipscomb 60
Cent. Arkansas 62, Alcorn St. 36
E. Mennonite 81, Randolph-Macon 76
Georgia 49, Coppin St. 29
Kentucky Christian 83, Alice Lloyd 81
Lenoir-Rhyne 77, North Georgia 65
Limestone 96, Lees-McRae 46
Memphis 65, Austin Peay 60
Mississippi St. 109, N. Dakota St. 58
Presbyterian 55, Gardner-Webb 50
St. Augustine's 78, Chowan 76
UCF 60, North Florida 56
VCU 59, UNC Wilmington 53
Winthrop 61, Campbell 59

TODAY'S GAMES

SOUTHWEST

Northwestern at Texas A&M, 11 a.m.
Abilene Christian at Texas Tech, 11 a.m.
Saint Louis at Tulsa, 11:30 a.m.
Schreiner at Prairie View, 5:30 p.m.
Texas Southern at Sam Houston St., 6:30 p.m.
Texas-Pan American at Baylor, 7 p.m.
Rice at Houston, 7 p.m.
North Texas at SMU, 7 p.m.
New Mexico at Texas, 7 p.m.

SOUTH

Howard at Old Dominion, 10 a.m.
Clemson at Middle Tennessee, 11 a.m.
ETSU at George Mason, 4 p.m.
Mount St. Mary's at Md.-Eastern Shore, 5 p.m.
Evansville at Murray St., 5 p.m.
Tennessee Tech at Southern Miss., 5 p.m.
Coastal Carolina at Furman, 6 p.m.
Kennesaw St. at Georgia St., 6 p.m.
Richmond at James Madison, 6 p.m.
N. Kentucky at Kentucky, 6 p.m.
Louisiana Tech at LSU, 6 p.m.
Wiley at McNeese St., 6 p.m.
Minnesota at N.C. State, 6 p.m.
Stetson at South Florida, 6 p.m.
St. Francis (Pa.) at Tennessee, 6 p.m.
North Greenville at W. Carolina, 6 p.m.
Samford at Troy, 7 p.m.
Nicholls St. at Tulane, 7 p.m.
MVSU at Vanderbilt, 7 p.m.

FAR WEST

Sacramento St. at California, 1 p.m.
Loyola Marymount at N. Arizona, 6 p.m.
Utah St. at Utah, 7 p.m.
Grambling St. at Arizona, 8 p.m.
Cal St. Fullerton at Denver, 8 p.m.
Gonzaga at E. Washington, 8 p.m.
New Orleans at Grand Canyon, 8 p.m.
UC Irvine at CS Bakersfield, 9 p.m.
Long Beach St. at Pepperdine, 9 p.m.

MIDWEST

Valparaiso at Miami (Ohio), 11 a.m.
W. Illinois at SE Missouri, 11 a.m.
Butler at DePaul, Noon
Rochester (Mich.) at Oakland, 4 p.m.
Wake Forest at Michigan, 6 p.m.
Maryland vs. Notre Dame at Allen County War Memorial Coliseum, Fort Wayne, Ind., 6 p.m.
Morehead St. at Ohio, 6 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Ohio St., 6 p.m.
Florida St. at Purdue, 6 p.m.
Dayton at Wright St., 6 p.m.
Duke at Nebraska, 6:30 p.m.
Virginia at Illinois, 7 p.m.
SIU Edwardsville at Ill.-Chicago, 7 p.m.
Loyola of Chicago at Missouri, 7 p.m.
Seton Hall at Creighton, 7:05 p.m.
Colorado St. at Drake, 7:05 p.m.

EAST

Kent St. at Duquesne, 10 a.m.
Villanova at Providence, 11 a.m.
Holy Cross at Bryant, 4 p.m.
New Hampshire at Boston U., 4:30 p.m.
UMBC at American, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Boston College, 6 p.m.
Morgan St. at Bucknell, 6 p.m.
Maine at CCSU, 6 p.m.
UMass-Lowell at Columbia, 6 p.m.
West Virginia at Fairleigh Dickinson, 6 p.m.
Brown at Rhode Island, 6 p.m.
La Salle at Robert Morris, 6 p.m.
Vermont at Sacred Heart, 6 p.m.
Stony Brook at St. Francis (N.Y.), 6 p.m.
Xavier at St. John's, 6 p.m.
Fairfield at Siena, 6 p.m.
Delaware at Temple, 6 p.m.
Harvard at UMass, 6 p.m.

MHS

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points over the final three minutes to clinch the victory.

Alexis Washington scored 10 points for Midland High, and had a pair of 3-pointers. Brewer led Wylie with 18 of its 37 points.

"To get a win over them, it's big and doesn't matter when you play them," Torres said. "They are tough to beat and to be able to do it early in the season is obviously important, but we talked about in the locker room that it's a good win but it doesn't give us anything. We've got a tough game against Grapevine (Thursday at the Burleson Tournament). I told the girls to celebrate tonight and we've got to get back to work tomorrow."

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MIDLAND HIGH 44, NO. 2 ABILENE WYLIE 37

Abilene Wylie (7-3) — Madi Garcia 2, Ragan Henson 3, London Wellert 4, Kinsey Christian 7, Peyton Sanders 3, Brittany Brewer 18

Midland High (8-3) — Arcie Guardiola 2, Miranda Mast 3, Marli Martin 2, Aubrie Elliott 13, Alexis Washington 10, Alexandrea Washington 6, Claire Lancaster 4, Kaylyn Evans 4

Wylie	5	11	8	13	— 37
MHS	7	13	15	9	— 44

Free throws — Abilene Wylie 2-5, MHS 12-17. 3-point goals — Abilene Wylie 3 (Henson, Christian, Sanders), MHS 4 (Elliott, Alexis Washington 2, Alexandrea Washington). Total fouls — Abilene Wylie 15, MHS 13.

Next: Midland High at Kangaroo Classic, Thursday, Weatherford

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AP Source: Peterson doesn't testify at hearing

By Rob Maadi
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Adrian Peterson did not testify at his appeal hearing Tuesday, according to a person familiar with the case.

Peterson gave a statement, said the person, who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because neither side is discussing the case publicly.

Peterson left without comment after spending more than three hours at the hearing. His attorney, Jeffrey Kessler, said only that the hearing will continue Thursday.

The proceedings were held before longtime hearing officer Harold Henderson.

Peterson is seeking reinstatement after NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell suspended him for the rest of the season for violating the league's personal conduct policy. Peterson will not be considered for reinstatement before April 15.

The 2012 NFL MVP hasn't played for the Minnesota Vikings since Week 1 after he was charged with child abuse in Texas. He was placed on paid leave while the legal process played out, and he pleaded no contest Nov. 4 to misdemeanor reckless assault for injuring his 4-year-old son with a wooden switch.

Associated Press

The Minnesota Vikings' Adrian Peterson, right, arrives for a hearing for the appeal of his suspension in New York on Tuesday.

The NFL Players Association called the punishment "unprecedented, arbitrary, and unlawful." The union is arguing that Peterson should get credit for time served on the exempt list.

The NFLPA submitted a tape of a conversation between Peterson and Troy Vincent in which the NFL's executive vice president of football operations tells Peterson he would be credited with time served and receive a two-game suspension if he attended a disciplinary hearing Nov. 14 with Goodell. Peterson skipped that meeting.

The union wants Henderson to compel Vincent to testify Thursday. Vincent testified in Washington on Tuesday before a Senate Commerce Committee hearing about domestic violence in professional sports.

NFL STANDINGS

STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	9	3	0	.750	378	253
Miami	7	5	0	.583	301	232
Buffalo	7	5	0	.583	264	217
N.Y. Jets	2	10	0	.167	190	319
South						
Indianapolis	8	4	0	.667	382	283
Houston	6	6	0	.500	287	247
Tennessee	2	10	0	.167	213	338
Jacksonville	2	10	0	.167	188	329
North						
Cincinnati	8	3	1	.708	280	247
Baltimore	7	5	0	.583	328	242
Pittsburgh	7	5	0	.583	320	298
Cleveland	7	5	0	.583	252	245
West						
Denver	9	3	0	.750	361	276
San Diego	8	4	0	.667	279	249
Kansas City	7	5	0	.583	277	224
Oakland	1	11	0	.083	176	337

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	9	3	0	.750	375	285
Dallas	8	4	0	.667	302	273
N.Y. Giants	3	9	0	.250	257	319
Washington	3	9	0	.250	244	322
South						
Atlanta	5	7	0	.417	291	299
New Orleans	5	7	0	.417	323	318
Carolina	3	8	1	.292	228	331
Tampa Bay	2	10	0	.167	220	314
North						
Green Bay	9	3	0	.750	380	267
Detroit	8	4	0	.667	231	207
Chicago	5	7	0	.417	253	337
Minnesota	5	7	0	.417	233	257
West						
Arizona	9	3	0	.750	256	224
Seattle	9	4	0	.667	296	221
San Francisco	7	5	0	.583	231	244
St. Louis	5	7	0	.417	281	285

Thursday, Nov. 27
Detroit 34, Chicago 17
Philadelphia 33, Dallas 10
Seattle 19, San Francisco 3

Sunday's Scores
Houston 45, Tennessee 21
St. Louis 52, Oakland 0
Minnesota 31, Carolina 13
Indianapolis 49, Washington 27
Buffalo 26, Cleveland 10
San Diego 34, Baltimore 33
Jacksonville 25, N.Y. Giants 24
Cincinnati 14, Tampa Bay 13
New Orleans 35, Pittsburgh 32
Atlanta 29, Arizona 18
Green Bay 26, New England 21
Denver 29, Kansas City 16

Monday's Score
Miami 16, N.Y. Jets 13

Thursday's Game
Dallas at Chicago, 7:25 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 7
N.Y. Giants at Tennessee, Noon
Carolina at New Orleans, Noon
N.Y. Jets at Minnesota, Noon
Pittsburgh at Cincinnati, Noon
St. Louis at Washington, Noon
Baltimore at Miami, Noon
Indianapolis at Cleveland, Noon
Tampa Bay at Detroit, Noon
Houston at Jacksonville, Noon
Buffalo at Denver, 3:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Arizona, 3:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Oakland, 3:25 p.m.
Seattle at Philadelphia, 3:25 p.m.
New England at San Diego, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Dec. 8
Atlanta at Green Bay, 7:30 p.m.

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WEDNESDAY PRIME TIME — DECEMBER 3, 2014

For Complete Information Please Check Local Listings.

						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	Middle (N)	Gettysburg (N)	Modern Family (N)	Black-ish (N)	How to Get Away With Murder (N)	"Two Sides to Every Story" (N)	KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) News Nightline
KOSA	CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	Survivor "Kind of Like Cream Cheese" (N)		Survivor "San Juan "Still Holdin' On" (N)		Stalker "A Cry for Help" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) Letterman Taylor Swift, Tom Mison	(:35) Late Late (N)
KWWT	CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	A. Griffith	A. Griffith	Hogan's Heroes	Gilligan's Island	Loves of D. Gillis	Family Affair	Cheers	Perry Mason	Dragnet
KPEJ	FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Hell's Kitchen "Seven Chefs Compete" (N)		Red Band Soc "What I Did For Love" (N)		Modern Family	Modern Family	Hot in Cleveland	Hot in Cleveland	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
KMLM	IND	11	11	12	11	11	Mani Erfan	House Call	Update News	Dollars & Sense	Light of the Southwest				Dr. Rik Wadge	HaYesod	Jean-Claude	Dr. William
KWES	NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 at 6 p.m.		Christmas Rockefeller (N)		Saturday Night Live Christmas A compilation of fan-favorite holiday sketches.				NewsWest 9 at 10	(:35) Jimmy Fallon	(:35) Seth Meyers
KPBT	PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Nova "First Man on the Moon"			Celtic Woman "Home for Christmas"			Jackie Evancho: Awakening - Live in Concert		Tavis Smiley
KUPB	UNI	4	4		4	16	La Gata		Mi corazón es Tuyo		Hasta el fin del mundo		La Malquerida		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	La Que No Podia Amar	
KOSA	MNT	16	16		16		Fam.Feud	Million..	The Walking Dead		Dead "Seed"		My News	Million..	Anger M.	M&M	Access H.	Insider
FLIX		340	65		165		(5:25) ★ The Big E...		★★★★ Clerks				(:25) ★★★ The House of Yes		(:05) ★★ Very Bad Things Cameron Diaz.			
HBO		300	68	14	14		(5:30) ★★★ Wicker Park		Real Sports		Comeback		The Newsroom		Get On	State Play	(:20) ★ Hello Ladie...	
HBO2		302	69	15	101	23	(5:00) ★ The Wolveri...		(:15) ★★ Enough Said Julia Louis-Dreyfus.		State of Play				★★ The Internship Vince Vaughn.			
HBOS		304	70	16	102		★★ Now You See Me Jesse Eisenberg.				★ 42 ('13, Bio) Chadwick Boseman.				(:15) ★★★ Gravity		Movie	
MAX		380	71	17	120	24	(5:10) ★ Bulletproof ...		★★★ Serenity ('05, Sci-Fi) Nathan Fillion.						★★ We're the Millers		(:50) Sex Chronicles	Lingerie
MAX2		382	72	18	122		(:15) ★★ Escape From L.A. Kurt Russell.				★★ Armageddon ('98, Adv) Liv Tyler, Bruce Willis.				(:35) ★★★ Kick-Ass 2			
PLEX				96			(5:30) ★ Angel Dog		★★ Russkies Whip Hubby.						(:20) ★ American Ninja 5: Little Ninja Man		(:25) ★★ Aces N' Eights	
SHOW		320	66	19	140	25	(5:15) ★ The Perks o...		Inside the NFL		★★★ Crash ('04, Dra) Sandra Bullock.				Therapy	Inside the NFL	Therapy	
TMC		336	67	22	155	26	(5:30) ★ Fatal Instinct		(:10) ★★★ Buffalo Soldiers						★ Scary Movie Ashley Tisdale.		★ Fast Sofa Jake Busey.	
A&E		27	32	28	35	47	Duck Dynasty "Stand by Mia"		Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dyn. (N)	Country Buck$ (N)	Country Buck$ (N)	Country Buck$	Country Buck$	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty
AMC		40	21	23	42	51	(4:00) ★ Coach Carter		★★ The Santa Clause 2 ('02, Fam) Tim Allen.						★★★ Home Alone 2: Lost in New York.			
BET		58	26		40		★★ The Cookout ('04, Com) Ja Rule.				Nellyville		Nelly "Nelly's Girls"		Nellyville		Wendy Williams	
BRAVO		65	63		41		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Top Chef		Top Chef (N)		Watch (N)	Top Chef		Atlanta
CNBC		46	45		39	72	The Profit		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Car (N)	Car	Shark Tank		Shark Tank	
CNN		43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Gotta Do It (N)		CNN Tonight		A. Cooper 360		Somebody's Gotta	
DISC		50	20	31	24	42	Naked and Afraid		Dude' Screwed (N)		Dude, You're... (N)		Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid	
DISNEY		56	27	36	25	36	Jessie	Dog Blog	★ Home Alone 5: Alone in the Dark				Jessie	Girl	Austin	Dog Blog	So Raven	Sonny
ESPN		32	29	48	31	30	JimmyV	NCAA Basketball ACC/ Big-10 Challenge (L)			NCAA Basketball ACC/ Big-10 Challenge (L)				SportsCenter			
ESPN2		34	28	49	32	31	Valvano /(:15) NCAA Basket. Mich. St./N.D. (L)				(:15) NCAA Basketball Virginia vs Maryland (L)				(:15) NCAA Basketball Mich./Utah (L)			
FAMILY		53	54	34	42	33	★ The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause				★★★ The Polar Express Tom Hanks.				The 700 Club		★ A Very Brady C...	
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	Cutthroat Kitchen		Cutthroat Kitchen		Cutthroat Kitchen		Kitchen Inferno (N)		Cutthroat Kitchen		Cutthroat Kitchen	
FSSW		37	43	50	45	29	Big 12 (N)	Mavs Live Pregam (L)	NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at Milwaukee Bucks Site: Bradley Center -- Milwaukee, Wis. (L)						Maverick-ks Live (L)		NCAA Big 12 No-Huddle Bay./Tex.Tech		NBDL Basketball Bak./Tex.	
FX		31	31	59	64	69	Movie		★★★ Men in Black 3 ('12, Act) Will Smith.						AHS: Freak Show (N)		AHS: Freak Show	
HALLMARK		54	49	58		34	(5:00) ★ Northpole		★ Royal Christmas ('14, Dra) Lacey Chabert.						★ Hitched for the Holidays Joey Lawrence.		★ A Diva's Chris...	
HGTV		63	50	26	48	44	Buying and Selling		Property Bros		Property Bros (N)		H.Hunt	House	Property Brothers		Property Bros	
HISTORY		71	62	29	50	43	Pickers "KISS and Sell"		American Pickers		American Pickers (N)		(:05) Dickering (N)		(:05) Amer. Pickers		American Pickers	
LIFETIME		28	25	25	28	48	(5:00) ★ Twelve Men of Christmas		★ A Nanny for Christmas (2010, Comedy) Emmanuelle Vaugier, Cynthia Gibb, Dean Cain.				★★ Under the Mistletoe ('06, Fam) Jaime Ray Newman, Conan Graham, Michael Shanks.				★ A Nanny for Christmas Dean Cain.	
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			34	NHL Live! (L)		NHL Hockey St. Louis Blues at Chicago Blackhawks (L)					Overtime	Turning Point (N)		NFL Turning Point	
NICK		55	34	39	34	37	iCarly	Max	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Fresh P.	Fresh P.	Friends	Friends	Mother	Mother
SPIKE		30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Impact Wrestling				Cops	Cops	Cops	Police
SYFY		66	64	41	57	67	★★★ Babylon A.D.		08, Act) Vin Diesel.		★★ The Wolfman ('10, Hor) Emily Blunt.				Almighty (N)		★ Chernobyl Diaries	
TBS		25	11	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan Joseph Gordon-Levitt, Billy Eichner		Childrens Hospital	Conan
TCM		41	61	24	63	66	(5:00) ★ Gambit		★★★ Smiles of a Summer Night				★★★★ Wild Strawberries		(:45) ★★★ The Seventh Seal			
TELE		20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		Los miserables		Tierra de reyes		Señora acero		Al rojo	(:35) Titular.	Tierra de reyes	
TLC		51	33	32	38	52	The Little Couple "Have a Little Faith"		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced	
TNT		24	23	40	26	50	Castle "Deep in Death"		★★★ The Dark Knight Rises ('12, Act) Anne Hathaway. Batman makes his return to Gotham, when a new terrorist threatens to take over the city.						On the Menu "Buca di Beppo"		★ Spider...	
TVLAND		49	48	35	54	35	Hogan	Hogan	Hogan	Fam.Feud	Friends	Friends	Hot In (N)	The Exes	Hot In	The Exes	Queens	Queens
USA		26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Careless"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Her Negotiation"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Surrender Benson"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Imprisoned Lives"		Modern Family	Modern "Fears"	Modern Family	Modern "Benched"
WGN		19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		America's Funniest Home Videos		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Parks and Rec	Parks and Rec

RANKINGS

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home Saturday against Iowa State, which is winless in the Big 12.

It would seem the top four would be fairly well set as long as each wins this weekend, but committee chairman Jeff Long, the athletic director at Arkansas, said it would be premature to project out because the committee doesn't.

"We're waiting for teams to complete their body of work," he said.

Ohio State, which lost its Heisman Trophy-contending quarterback J.T. Barrett to a broken ankle last week, is fifth, and Baylor, which beat TCU earlier in the season, is sixth.

Long said the committee did not factor in Barrett's injury this week but will when the final rankings come out Sunday. The Buckeyes face Wisconsin in the Big Ten title game.

Baylor finishes its regular season at home against Kansas State, ninth in the latest rankings.

The Horned Frogs and Bears would be co-champions of the Big 12 if both win out. The conference has said it will not designate a champion via a tiebreaker.

The committee's selection protocol requires conference championships be taken into the consideration when judging teams with similar resumes.

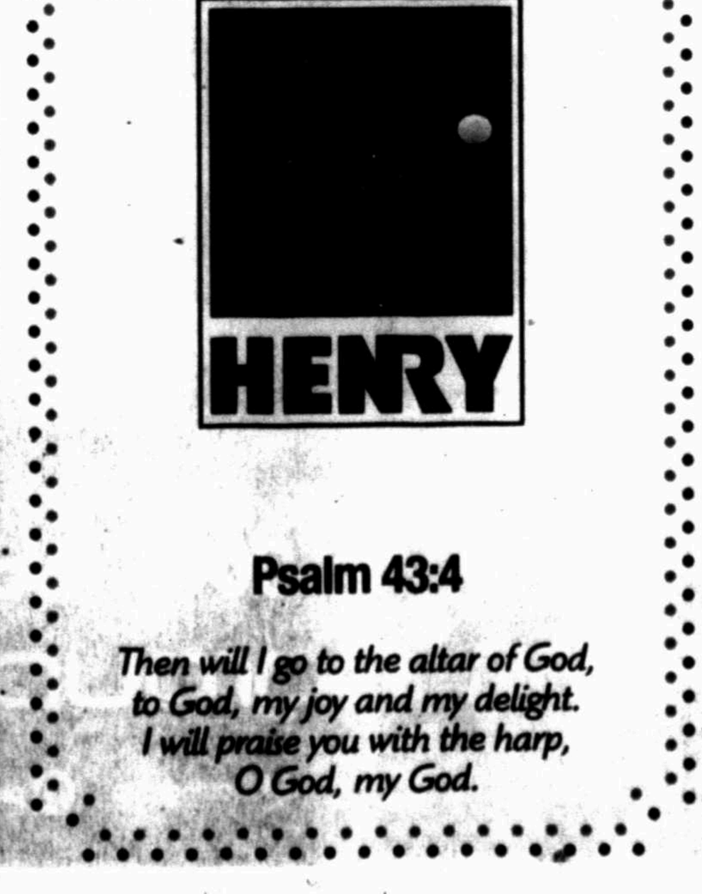
Boise State is the highest ranked — and only ranked — team from outside the Big Five conferences, which puts the Broncos (10-2) in position to receive a bid to one of the four New Year's Day bowls.

Playoff rankings

1. Alabama	11-1	15. UCLA	9-3
2. Oregon	11-1	16. Missouri	10-2
3. TCU	10-1	17. Arizona St.	9-3
4. Florida St.	12-0	18. Clemson	9-3
5. Ohio St.	11-1	19. Auburn	8-4
6. Baylor	10-1	20. Oklahoma	8-3
7. Arizona	10-2	21. Louisville	9-3
8. Michigan St.	10-2	22. Boise St.	10-2
9. Kansas St.	9-2	23. Utah	8-4
10. Mississippi St.	10-2	24. LSU	8-4
11. Georgia Tech	10-2	25. Southern Cal	8-4
12. Mississippi	9-3		
13. Wisconsin	10-2		
14. Georgia	9-3		

The College Football Playoff Selection Committee will issue weekly rankings each Tuesday, with the final rankings being announced Sunday, Dec. 7. The playoff semifinals will match the No. 1 seed vs. the No. 4 seed, and No. 2 will face No. 3. The semifinals will be hosted at the Rose Bowl and Sugar Bowl on Jan. 1, 2015. The championship game will be on Jan. 12, 2015 at Arlington.

What's happinging in Midland this weekend? Find out by reading
WEEKENDER
Look for it inside Thursday's edition of the Reporter-Telegram



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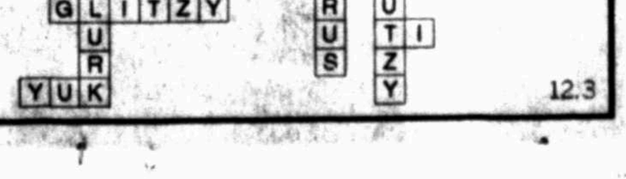

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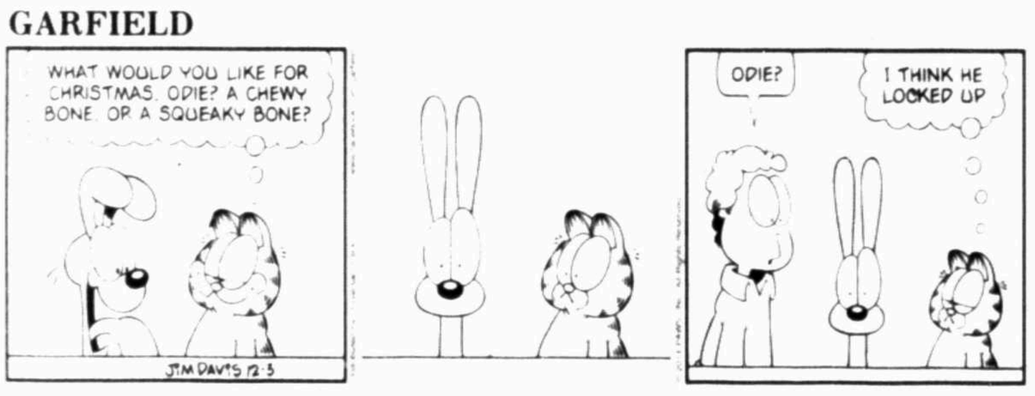

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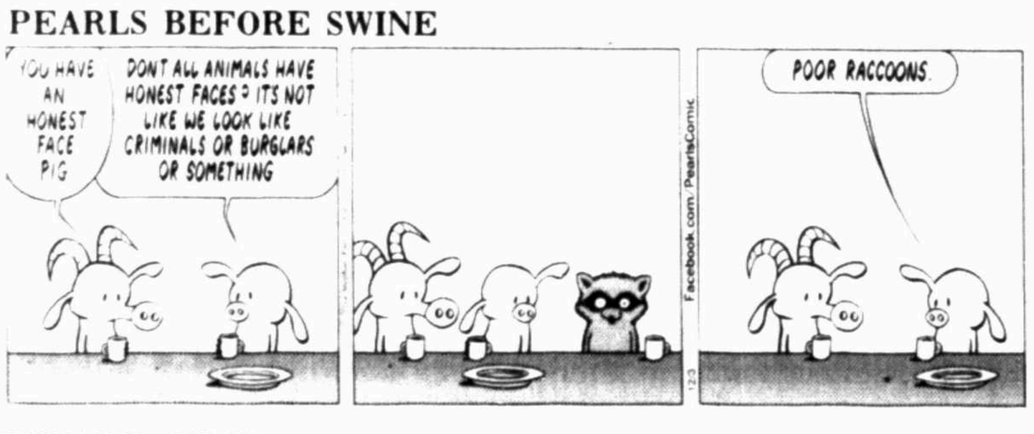

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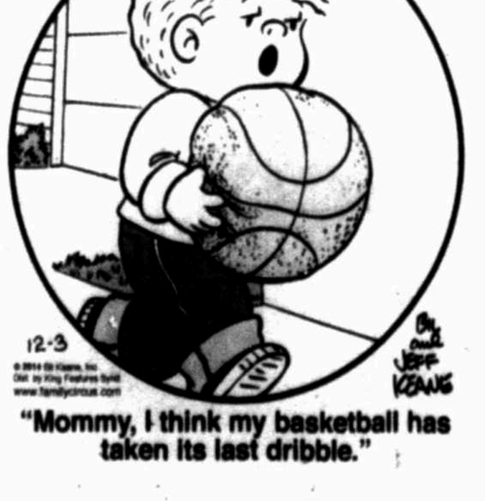

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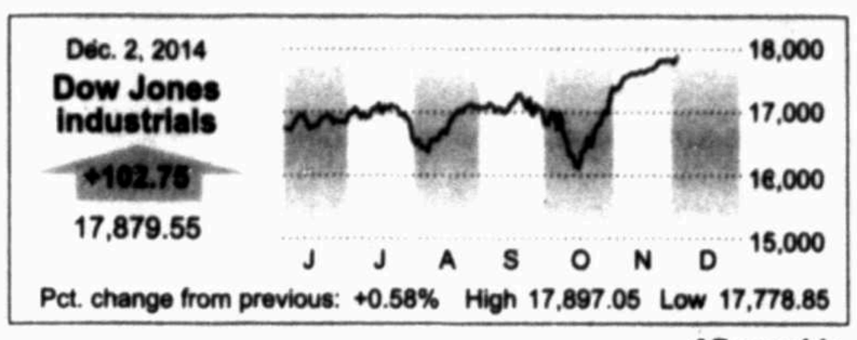
A DAY ON WALL STREET



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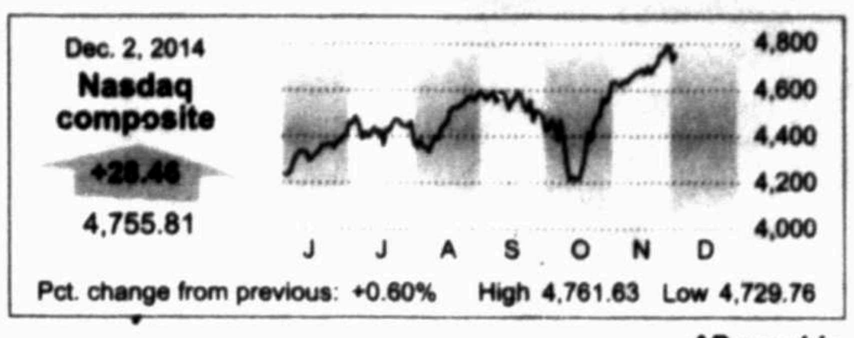

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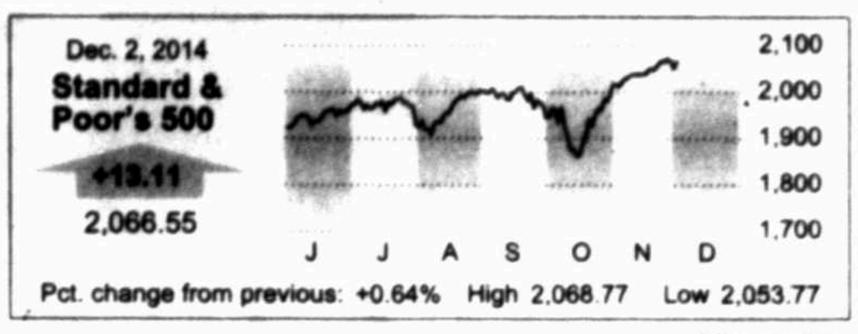

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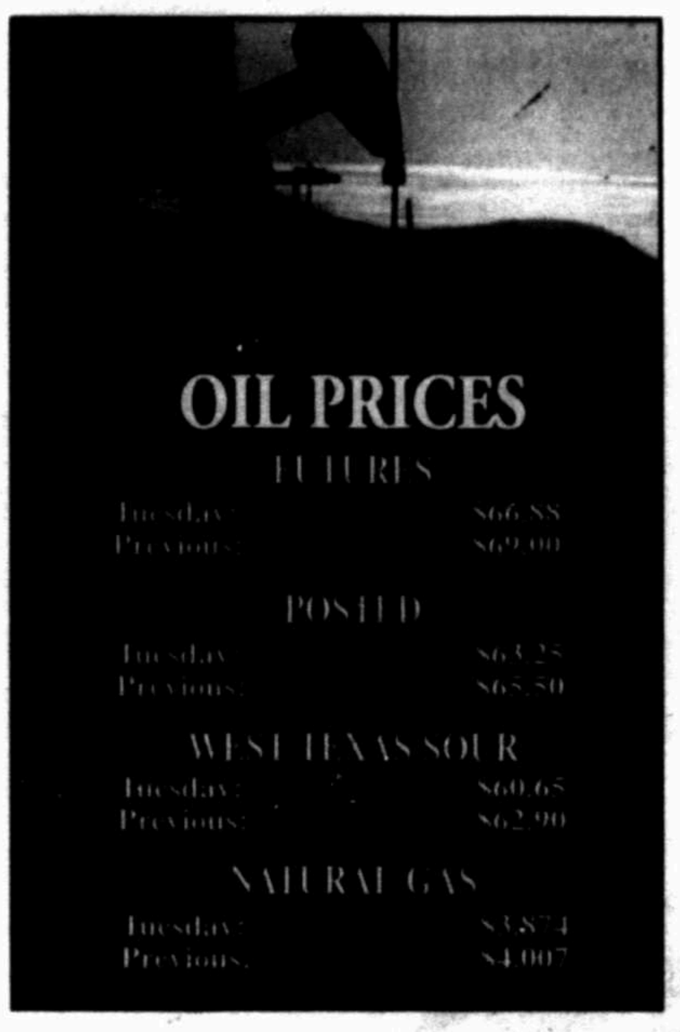

NYSE

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
S&P500ETF	682863	207.09	+1.33
BkofAm	599309	17.15	+.36
MktVGold	504468	19.20	-.52
iShEMkts	448332	40.78	-.01
DirGMnBull	389150	3.50	-.84

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Spansion	27.86	+5.01	+21.9
CallonPet	4.82	+.41	+9.3
BoxSh pfC	17.49	+1.49	+9.3
Phil66LP	63.37	+5.13	+8.8
MillerE pfC	19.65	+1.59	+8.8

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DirGMnBull	3.50	-.84	-19.4
VinceHldg	29.48	-7.04	-19.3
GoodrPet	3.95	-.78	-16.5
DxRssaBull	6.39	-.88	-12.1
GoodrP pfC	15.40	-1.99	-11.4

Diary

Advanced	2,104
Declined	1,052
Unchanged	94
Total issues	3,250
New Highs	121
New Lows	124
Volume	3,576,029,673

Amex

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Globalstar	121960	2.59	-.17
NwGold g	61867	4.34	-.22
ImmunoCll	47090	1.00	+.29
B2gold g	45810	1.84	+.10
NthnO&G	42907	7.48	-.89

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
RingEngy	8.99	+1.17	+15.0
MagHR pfC	24.40	+2.75	+12.7
MagHR pfD	39.82	+4.22	+11.9
MagHR pfE	23.80	+2.50	+11.7
Flanign	37.00	+3.39	+10.1

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NthnO&G	7.48	-.89	-10.6
Earthstone	18.00	-1.92	-9.6
SandstG g	2.75	-.25	-8.3
TriangPet	3.97	-.35	-8.1
MAG Slv g	6.57	-.50	-7.1

Diary

Advanced	215
Declined	187
Unchanged	28
Total issues	430
New Highs	4
New Lows	32
Volume	121,772,570

Nasdaq

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Apple Inc s	561011	114.63	-.44
AvanirPhm	504351	16.92	+1.92
Intel	280375	37.60	+.43
Cisco	280177	27.82	+.23
SiriusXM	269269	3.59	-.02

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
MOL Gbl n	3.65	+1.96	+116.0
DigitalAlly	18.69	+5.82	+45.2
InterCld wt	3.08	+.73	+31.1
ImageSens	3.05	+.61	+25.0
AtaraBio n	31.80	+5.14	+19.3

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
nTelos	4.46	-3.66	-45.1
Galectin un	9.57	-3.71	-27.9
Quotinet wt	2.98	-.92	-23.6
Capnia n	2.90	-.48	-14.2
StarBulkC	6.46	-.99	-13.3

Diary

Advanced	1,839
Declined	868
Unchanged	140
Total issues	2,847
New Highs	73
New Lows	105
Volume	1,738,822,650

Promotions, gas prices help boost US auto sales

Associated Press

DETROIT — American shoppers passed on the malls and headed to the car dealerships over Thanksgiving weekend.

Black Friday promotions — coupled with falling gas prices, low-interest loans and hot new vehicles — drove U.S. auto sales higher in November, kicking off what's expected to be a strong holiday season.

Subaru and Chrysler led the major automakers with sales increases around 20 percent on strong demand for their small SUVs. It was Subaru's best November ever and Chrysler's best November in 13 years.

General Motors, Toyota, Honda and Volkswagen also reported gains. Sales fell at Ford, Hyundai and Nissan.

According to a National Retail Federation survey of 4,000 shoppers, sales were down 11 percent to $50.9 billion over the four-day holiday compared to a year ago. A move by retailers to discount merchandise in the days and weeks before Thanksgiving appeared to cut down on store traffic over the holiday weekend.

But that wasn't the case with cars. Car-buying site Kelley Blue Book estimated that 25 to 30 percent of November's new vehicle sales happened over the holiday weekend thanks to a flurry of Black Friday promotions. Because the holiday came late in the month, buyers also benefited from dealers' usual month-end sales push.

New vehicle sales rose 5 percent to 1.3 million, according to Autodata Corp. It was the second-fastest monthly sales pace this year, after August.

Sales are on track to end the year at around 16.5 million, said Jesse Toprak, a senior analyst with Cars.com.

In November, buyers looking for really good deals could find them on outgoing 2014 models, while others snapped up 2015 models that are just arriving in dealerships, like the new Ford Mustang and Toyota Highlander.

The sales were fueled by incentives, like zero-percent financing on new Chevrolets and a $3,500 credit on a new BMW. But automakers still made healthy profits as buyers loaded their vehicles with extras like navigation. As of mid-November, buyers were spending an average of $30,874 per vehicle, or $165 more than the previous record of $30,709 in October, according to consulting firms J.D. Power and LMC Automotive.

Low gas prices accelerated a trend toward SUVs. Gas prices fell 23 cents in November to a four-year low of $2.76 per gallon, according to AAA. Sales of the new Nissan Rogue small SUV jumped 44 percent, while the Jeep Cherokee was up 67 percent.

The Honda CR-V small SUV saw its best November ever, with sales up 38 percent to more than 32,000. It was the first time since June 2011 that an SUV outsold the perennial leader, the Toyota Camry sedan.

Big SUVs were also hot; sales of the eight-passenger Lincoln Navigator were up 88 percent.

Cars struggled to get noticed. Ford Fusion sales dropped 11 percent, while Nissan Altima sales were down 7 percent. For the most part, only new cars like Volkswagen's Golf subcompact and Chrysler's 200 midsize sedan saw sales increases.

"You have to be new to make progress in the car market right now," said Michelle Krebs, a senior analyst with AutoTrader.com.

The industry expects more of the same in December, which is always a big month for luxury sales. Trucks and SUVs normally get a seasonal boost in the winter, Toprak said, but this year low gas prices will amplify the increase.

GM's sales rose 6 percent to 226,000. Cadillac sales dropped 19 percent, but Buick and GMC both saw double-digit gains.

Toyota's sales rose 3 percent to 183,346 as its luxury Lexus brand posted its best November sales ever. But Prius hybrid sales dropped 13.5 percent, a victim of lower fuel prices.

Ford's sales dropped 2 percent to 187,000. Ford's SUV sales were up 15 percent, but sales F-150 pickup sales fell 10 percent to 59,000 as older inventory dwindled and the new 2015 model began to trickle in to dealerships.

Ford's rivals took advantage. Ram pickup sales jumped 21 percent to nearly 36,000, while GM sold nearly 69,000 Chevrolet Silverado and GMC Sierra trucks. Sierra sales were up 57 percent over last November.

Other automakers that reported Tuesday:

■ Honda's sales rose 5 percent to 121,814. Honda's car sales fell 2.5 percent, but sales of the CR-V and Pilot SUVs were strong.

■ Nissan's sales fell 3 percent to 103,188. Truck and SUV sales were up but car sales weakened. Sales of the electric Leaf were up 34 percent despite low gas prices.

■ Hyundai's sales dropped 4 percent to 53,672. Sales of the new Genesis sedan rose 57 percent, but that didn't make up for weaker sales of the Accent and Elantra small cars.

■ Subaru's sales rose 24 percent to 45,273. Sales of the new Legacy sedan nearly doubled from a year ago, while sales of the Outback wagon were up 60 percent.

■ Volkswagen's sales rose 3 percent to 31,725 on strong sales of the new Golf subcompact.

Energy company stocks rise

Energy and health-care companies led major stock indexes higher on Tuesday, even as crude oil resumed its slide. General Motors rose after reporting stronger sales, and Biogen, a biotech company, soared following news that its drug for Alzheimer's disease showed promise.

Reports that fewer people turned out to shop over the Thanksgiving weekend helped knock the market down on Monday. But those concerns were likely overblown, as other evidence suggests that people simply wanted to avoid the crowds at Black Friday sales, said Brad McMillan, the chief investment officer at Commonwealth Financial. IBM Digital Analytics, for instance, said that sales on Cyber Monday jumped 8 percent.

"I think what you're seeing is a little reality settling in," McMillan said. "Look at Cyber Monday numbers. You see that and say hmm, maybe it's not going to be so bad after all."

The Standard & Poor's 500 index rose 13.11 points, or 0.6 percent, to 2,066.55.

The Dow Jones industrial average gained 102.75 points, or 0.6 percent, to 17,879.55, while the Nasdaq composite rose 28.46 points, or 0.6 percent, to 4,755.81. Oil and gas companies led nine of the 10 industries in the S&P 500 higher.

The one economic report out Tuesday gave investors some encouragement.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $59.07 Up 2.05

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $93.28 Up 0.85

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $12.10 Down 0.20

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $57.84 Up 2.03

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $16.99 Up 0.14

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $6.15 Down 0.10

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $22.33 Up 0.30

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $21.64 Up 0.40

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $8.99 Up 1.17

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
Closing Price $16.36 Up 0.05

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.84	10	34.29	-.77	-2.5
Abraxas	...	11	3.18	-.09	-2.5
AdamsEx	1.18e	...	13.75	+.13	+5.2
Alibaba n	...	...	109.89	+3.90	+17.0
AlonUSA	.40a	60	14.33	+.46	-13.4
Ambev	.33e	...	6.10	-.13	-17.0
ARCapH n	.68	...	11.90	+.42	+12.8
Amgen	2.44	27	169.28	+2.87	+48.4
Anadarko	1.08	...	79.15	+.42	-.2
Apache	1.00	...	63.11	-.70	-26.6
Apple Inc s	1.88	18	114.63	-.44	+43.0
ApldMatl	.40	27	23.87	+.13	+35.0
ATMOS	1.56f	18	54.16	+.25	+19.2
AutoData	1.96f	28	85.80	-.27	+21.1
AvanirPhm	...	...	16.92	+1.92	+403.6
BP PLC	2.40f	6	40.72	+.89	-16.2
BabsCCInv	1.20	...	15.67	+.03	+4.9
BakrHu	.68	18	56.75	+.24	+2.7
BcoSantSA	.81e	...	8.92	+.02	-1.7
BkofAm	.20	16	17.15	+.36	+10.1
B iPVixST	...	...	26.97	-1.60	-36.6
BarrickG	.20	29	11.93	-.48	-32.3
BasicEnSv	...	...	7.51	-.47	-52.4
BerkHa A	...	...	18225000.00	+2475.00	+26.5
BlkHillsCp	1.56	21	54.29	+.76	+3.4
BrMySq	1.44	36	59.24	+.19	+11.5
BrownFA	1.28f	31	95.77	+.96	+29.8
BrownFB	1.28f	31	96.00	+.74	+27.0
CVS Health	1.10	23	90.09	-.07	+25.9
CalifRes n	...	...	7.19	-.18	-11.2
Cameron	...	14	49.85	+.07	-16.3
Caterpillar	2.80	16	99.51	+.51	+9.6
Celestic g	...	13	10.50	+.03	+1.0
Cemex	.52t	...	11.72	-.40	+3.0
CntryLink	2.16	29	40.72	-.38	+27.8
ChesEng	.35	22	19.85	-.22	-22.7
Chevron	4.28	10	114.02	+2.29	-8.7
Chicos	.30	24	15.36	-.21	-18.5
Cimarex	.64	17	102.90	-.86	-1.9
Cisco	.76	19	27.82	+.23	+25.0
Citigroup	.04	13	54.36	+1.01	+4.3
ClayEng	...	13	59.07	+2.05	-27.9
CocaCola	1.22	24	44.54	-.01	+7.8
ColgPalm	1.44	31	69.86	+.46	+7.1

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
ConAgra	1.00	47	36.82	+.41	+9.3
ConchoRes	...	20	93.28	+.85	-13.6
ConocoPhil	2.92	11	69.21	+1.44	-2.0
CrackerB	4.00	22	129.00	+1.48	+17.2
CSVInvNG	...	...	4.06	+.38	-54.1
CSVLgNGs	...	...	10.52	-1.23	-50.8
CSVixSht	...	...	2.25	-.23	-70.0
CrosTim	2.66e	8	23.23	-.76	-21.0
CypSemi	.44	25	11.92	+1.49	+13.5
DCP Mid	3.08f	37	46.82	+1.48	-7.0
DTE	2.76f	19	82.27	+.73	+23.9
Dataram h	...	...	2.51	-.10	-3.5
Dawson	.32	...	12.10	-.20	-64.2
DeltaAir	.36	4	44.67	-.95	+62.6
DenburyR	.25	8	7.83	-.18	-52.3
DevonE	.96	11	59.89	-.05	-3.2
DrxSCBear	...	...	13.49	-.50	-20.5
DirGMnBull	...	...	3.50	-.84	-77.6
Disney	.86f	22	93.47	+.77	+22.3
DowChm	1.68f	16	48.81	+.69	+9.9
EOG Res s	.67f	16	90.30	+3.06	+7.6
EmpDist	1.04f	17	28.02	+.34	+23.5
Energen	.08m	23	58.99	-.53	-16.6
EngyTsfr	3.90f	...	64.81	+2.39	+13.2
EngyXXI	.48	5	3.20	-.22	-88.2
EnPro	...	55	63.48	+.24	+10.1
EntPrdPt s	1.46f	25	37.11	+.80	+11.9
Ericsson	.46e	...	12.54	-.15	+2.5
ExterranH	.60	22	33.07	-.02	-3.3
ExxonMbl	2.76	12	94.19	+1.84	-6.9
Facebook	...	72	75.46	+.36	+38.1
FordM	.50	11	15.90	+.13	+3.0
ForestOil	...	...	.61	+.02	-83.1
FrptMcM	1.25	11	25.87	-.33	-31.4
GATX	1.32	13	58.35	+.21	+11.8
GabMultT	1.05e	...	10.15	+.14	-18.2
GAInv	3.50e	...	35.01	+.23	-.5
GenElec	.88	18	26.05	+.03	-7.1
GenMotors	1.20	21	33.26	+.32	-18.6
Genworth	...	...	8.65	-.54	-44.3
GileadSci	...	18	102.19	+1.64	+36.1
GtPlainEn	.98f	17	26.55	+.33	+9.5
Groupon	...	...	7.34	-.05	-37.6
HalconRes	...	...	2.05	-.15	-46.9

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Hallibrtn	.72f	11	40.34	-.87	-20.5
iShBrazil	1.55e	...	39.52	-.61	-11.6
iShJapan	.17e	...	11.78	+.10	-3.0
iShChinaLC	.71e	...	40.51	+.97	+5.6
iShEMkts	.71e	...	40.78	-.01	-2.4
iS Eafe	2.23e	...	64.11	+.18	-4.4
iShR2K	1.50e	...	116.25	+1.38	+.8
IntegrysE	2.72	19	74.01	+.44	+36.0
Intel	.96f	18	37.60	+.43	+44.9
InterDig	.80	...	51.11	+.77	+73.3
JD.com n	...	...	23.91	+1.94	+14.4
JohnJn	2.80	18	108.51	+.48	+18.5
KimbClk	3.36	21	116.22	+.31	+16.1
KindMorg	1.76f	34	41.62	+.68	+15.6
LegacyRes	2.44	...	16.99	+.14	-39.7
Lubys	...	...	4.96	+.10	-35.8
MOL Gbl n	...	...	3.65	+1.96	-55.2
MVJrGold	...	...	25.85	-1.83	-16.7
MktVGold	.19e	...	19.20	-.52	-9.1
MktVRus	.74e	...	18.80	-.82	-34.9
McDnlds	3.40f	19	95.11	-.67	-2.0
Merck	1.80f	33	60.78	+.26	+21.4
MeritMed	...	31	15.03	+.19	-4.5
MexcoEn	...	68	6.15	-.10	-10.9
MicronT	...	14	35.61	+.62	+63.7
Microsoft	1.24f	19	48.46	-.16	+29.5
Nabors	.24	11	12.88	-.03	-24.2
NatGrid	3.48e	...	73.30	+.07	+12.2
NOilVarco	1.84	11	66.60	+.14	-7.1
NokiaCp	.51e	...	8.29	+.01	+2.2
NvMAd	.80a	...	13.65	+.05	+12.3
NvPMI	.86	...	13.71	+.05	+10.8
NuvPI	.82	...	13.77	+.09	+11.7
NSTFI3	.61	...	14.08	+.03	+9.3
NTXQI	.65a	...	14.72	+.08	+14.6
OcciPet	2.88	11	80.69	+1.24	-11.6
ParTech	...	...	5.81	-.02	+6.6
ParkDrl	...	9	3.13	-.13	-61.5
PattUTI	.40	21	17.65	-.02	-30.3
PeabdyE	.34	...	9.42	+.07	-51.8
PennaRE	.80	...	23.69	+.53	+24.8
Prmian	1.05e	9	10.34	-.12	-19.6
Petrobras	.46e	...	9.00	-.12	-34.7
Pfizer	1.04	16	31.57	+.31	+3.1
PioNtrl	.08	...	146.37	+1.53	-20.5

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PlainsAAP	2.64f	21	50.19	+.47	-3.1
PwShs QQQ	1.34e	...	105.23	+.42	+19.6
Praxair	2.60	21	128.45	+.89	-1.2
PrmEgy	...	11	66.00	...	+30.7
ProctGam	2.57	25	91.07	+.99	+11.9
Qualcom	1.68	16	73.32	+1.53	-1.3
RangeRs	.16	28	64.08	-1.27	-24.0
RegionsFn	.20	12	9.86	+.09	-.3
Rowan	.40	12	21.43	-.14	-39.4
RoyDShllA	3.76	14	69.35	+1.86	-2.7
SpdrDJIA	3.61e	...	178.56	+.96	+7.9
S&P500ETF	3.68e	...	207.09	+1.33	+12.1
SabnR	4.13e	11	44.50	-.36	-12.0
SanderFm	.88f	10	90.63	+4.30	+25.3
SandRdge	...	...	2.47	-.21	-59.3
Sapient	...	39	24.78	+.06	+42.7
Schlmbrg	1.60	16	85.22	+.38	-5.4
SeadrillLtd	...	2	13.38	-.54	-67.4
SigmaAld	.92	33	135.92	-.19	+44.6
SiriusXM	...	51	3.59	-.02	+2.9
Smucker	2.56	18	103.24	+.46	-.4
Spansion	...	...	27.86	+5.01	+100.6
Sprint	...	...	4.72	-.15	-56.1
SP Engy	1.77e	...	80.97	+.87	-8.5
SPDR Fncl	.37e	...	24.46	+.23	+11.9
SunocoL s	1.53f	29	48.34	+1.85	+28.1

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
TelefEsp	1.03e	...	15.95	+.06	-2.4
Tesoro	1.20	14	76.85	+1.54	+31.4
3M Co	3.42	22	160.60	+2.44	+14.5
Torchmrk s	.51	14	53.45	+.15	+2.6
Transocn	3.00	...	19.38	-.61	-60.8
TriContl	.71e	...	21.58	+.07	+8.0
Twitter	...	...	38.91	-.13	-38.3
TylerTech	...	73	111.63	+4.19	+9.3
UBWV	1.28	19	34.67	+.57	+10.2
US NGas	...	...	19.75	-.71	-4.5
US OilFd	...	...	25.58	-.74	-27.6
Vale SA	.55e	...	8.33	-.40	-45.4
ValeroE	1.10	7	50.88	+1.98	+1.0
VerizonCm	2.20f	10	49.11	-.92	-.1
Viggle n	...	...	4.18	+.49	-27.3
VulcanM	.24	47	65.41	+.91	+10.1
Walgrn	1.35	33	66.75	-1.02	+16.2
WalterEn	.04	...	1.90	-.87	-88.6
Weathfintl	...	...	13.05	+.38	-15.8
WstnRefin	1.20f	11	42.61	+2.33	+.5
WhitingPet	...	9	39.28	-.83	-36.5
WmsCos	2.28f	70	50.70	+.56	+31.4
XcelEngy	1.20	18	34.66	+.39	+24.1
Xerox	.25	15	13.84	+.01	+13.7
Yahoo	...	7	50.67	+.57	+25.3

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
17,894.83	15,340.69	Dow Jones Industrials	17,879.55	+102.75	+.58	+7.86	+12.35
9,310.22	7,009.98	Dow Jones Transportation	9,059.13	+110.17	+1.23	+22.41	+26.10
609.31	476.05	Dow Jones Utilities	604.47	+3.91	+.65	+23.22	+23.87
11,334.65	9,732.47	NYSE Composite	10,940.13	+51.76	+.48	+5.19	+8.46
4,810.86	3,946.03	Nasdaq Composite	4,755.81	+28.46	+.60	+13.87	+17.80
2,075.76	1,737.92	S&P 500	2,066.55	+13.11	+.64	+11.80	+15.12
1,458.79	1,264.57	S&P Midcap	1,432.64	+8.41	+.59	+6.71	+10.27
21,850.63	18,575.20	Wilshire 5000	21,665.19	+142.22	+.66	+9.94	+13.60
1,213.55	1,040.47	Russell 2000	1,168.45	+14.40	+1.25	+.41	+3.98

NBAROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MAVERICKS 132 BULLS 129

CHICAGO — Monta Ellis hit three foul shots with 1 second left in the fourth quarter to tie it, then made a go-ahead 3-pointer late in the second overtime that lifted the Dallas Mavericks past the Chicago Bulls 132-129 Tuesday night.

Ellis finished with 38 points, including his trio of free throws to make it 108-all. Chicago's Derrick Rose banked in a 3-point at the overtime buzzer to force double OT.

Ellis' 3 put the Mavericks up 130-129, and Chandler Parsons added two foul shots. Rose missed a 3-point try as time expired.

Dirk Nowitzki added 22 despite shooting just 8 for 22 as Dallas won its fourth in row.

Pau Gasol led the Bulls with 29 points and 14 rebounds. Jimmy Butler had 23 points, Mike Dunleavy 20 and Rose 18.

PELICANS 112 THUNDER 104

NEW ORLEANS — Reigning NBA MVP Kevin Durant returned from a foot injury and scored 27 points in his season debut for Oklahoma City, but Tyreke Evans and the New Orleans Pelicans beat the Thunder 112-104 on Tuesday night.

Durant played nearly 30 minutes, looking healthy whether he was throwing down a driving, two-handed dunk or snapping off one of his three 3-pointers.

Associated Press

Dallas Mavericks forward Brandan Wright (34) blocks the shot of Chicago Bulls forward Mike Dunleavy, as Tyson Chandler (6) and Joakim Noah (13) watch during the first half of their game on Tuesday in Chicago.

Evans scored 15 of his 30 points in the fourth quarter. Anthony Davis had 25 points, 10 rebounds and four blocks for the Pelicans.

Jrue Holiday had 23 points and 10 assists while Ryan Anderson had 23 points and 11 rebounds as New Orleans snapped a three-game skid.

Russell Westbrook, in his second game back from a hand injury for the Thunder, scored 21. But he was not nearly as efficient as his previous game, when he scored 32 points in about 24 minutes in a win over New York.

Oklahoma City trailed by as many as 19 early in the third quarter and was still down by 18 when Evans' free throws made it 82-64 with 2:41 left in the period.

Jackson, who finished with 17 points, kept scoring early in the fourth — including a driving scoop as he was fouled and a roundhouse dunk — and the Thunder got as close as 87-82 on Perkins' layup with 10:24 still left.

NBA BOX SCORES AND STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	15	7	.765	—
Brooklyn	7	9	.438	5½
Boston	4	11	.267	8
New York	4	15	.211	10
Philadelphia	0	17	.000	13

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	11	5	.688	—
Atlanta	10	6	.625	1
Miami	9	8	.529	2½
Orlando	7	12	.368	5½
Charlotte	4	14	.222	8

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	11	7	.611	—
Cleveland	9	7	.563	1
Milwaukee	10	9	.526	1½
Indiana	7	10	.412	3½
Detroit	3	15	.167	8

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Memphis	15	2	.882	—
Houston	13	4	.765	2
San Antonio	13	4	.765	2
Dallas	14	5	.737	2
New Orleans	8	8	.500	6½

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Portland	13	4	.765	—
Denver	9	8	.529	4
Oklahoma City	5	13	.278	8½
Utah	5	13	.278	8½
Minnesota	4	12	.250	8½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	14	2	.875	—
L.A. Clippers	12	5	.706	2½
Phoenix	10	8	.556	5
Sacramento	9	8	.529	5½
L.A. Lakers	5	13	.278	10

Tuesday's Scores

Cleveland 111, Milwaukee 108
Atlanta 109, Boston 105
L.A. Lakers 106, Detroit 96
Brooklyn 98, New York 93
New Orleans 112, Oklahoma City 104
Dallas 132, Chicago 129,2OT
Indiana at Phoenix, late
Portland at Denver, late
Toronto at Sacramento, late
Orlando at Golden State, late

Today's Games

L.A. Lakers at Washington, 6 p.m.
Chicago at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
Atlanta at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Brooklyn, 6:30 p.m.
Memphis at Houston, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Utah, 8 p.m.
Orlando at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

TUESDAY'S BOX SCORES

MAVERICKS 132, BULLS 129

DALLAS (132): Parsons 7-16 7-8 24, Nowitzki 8-22 4-4 22, Chandler 1-2 3-6 5, Nelson 1-4 0-0 3, Ellis 16-35 5-5 38, Wright 1-2 2-2 4, Harris 7-10 0-0 20, Aminu 0-1 0-0 0, Barea 5-8 2-2 13, Jefferson 1-2 0-0 3, Crowder 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 47-102 23-27 132.

CHICAGO (129): Dunleavy 8-15 2-2 20, Gasol 12-25 5-6 29, Noah 4-7 0-0 8, Rose 8-20 2-4 18, Butler 9-21 5-6 23, Mirotic 4-6 7-8 15, Hinrich 2-4 2-2 6, Brooks 2-3 4-4 8, Snell 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 47-103 27-34 129.

Dallas	25	34	21	28	15	11—132
Chicago	29	21	27	34	13	5—129

3-Point Goals—Dallas 15-30 (Harris 6-6, Parsons 3-7, Nowitzki 2-6, Jefferson 1-2, Barea 1-2, Nelson 1-3, Ellis 1-4), Chicago 9-26 (Rose 4-11, Hinrich 2-2, Dunleavy 2-7, Gasol 0-1, Mirotic 0-2, Butler 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 55 (Chandler 14), Chicago 67 (Gasol, Noah 14). Assists—Dallas 30 (Nowitzki 10), Chicago 38 (Rose 10). Total Fouls—Dallas 28, Chicago 22. A—22,042 (20,917).

PELICANS 112, THUNDER 104

OKLAHOMA CITY (104): Durant 9-18 6-7 27, Ibaka 3-11 0-0 6, Adams 1-2 0-1 2, Westbrook 6-20 8-9 21, Roberson 0-1 0-0 0, Jackson 7-14 3-3 17, Perkins 2-5 0-0 4, Collison 1-2 0-0 2, Morrow 2-4 0-0 6, Lamb 5-7 4-5 15, Thomas 0-0 2-2 2, I.Smith 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-84 23-27 104.

NEW ORLEANS (112): Babbitt 2-5 0-0 6, Davis 8-15 9-16 25, Asik 1-5 3-6 5, Holiday 6-17 4-4 16, Evans 14-24 2-4 30, Anderson 7-15 7-7 23, Salmons 0-1 0-2 0, Rivers 1-3 2-4 5, Fredette 0-2 0-0 0, Ajinca 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 39-88 29-45 112.

Oklahoma City	26	26	22	30	— 104
New Orleans	29	40	16	27	— 112

3-Point Goals—Oklahoma City 7-24 (Durant 3-8, Morrow 2-3, Lamb 1-2, Westbrook 1-4, Collison 0-1, Ibaka 0-3, Jackson 0-3), New Orleans 5-17 (Babbitt 2-4, Anderson 2-7, Rivers 1-1, Evans 0-1, Holiday 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Oklahoma City 54 (Roberson 9), New Orleans 62 (Asik 14). Assists—Oklahoma City 16 (Westbrook 7), New Orleans 23 (Holiday 10). Total Fouls—Oklahoma City 32, New Orleans 21. Technicals—Perkins, Westbrook, New Orleans defensive three second. A—13,903 (16,867).

NETS 98, KNICKS 93

BROOKLYN (98): Garnett 3-11 0-0 6, Johnson 7-14 7-7 22, Lopez 10-20 3-4 23, Williams 6-12 2-3 19, Bogdanovic 5-11 0-0 10, Plumlee 4-6 2-6 10, Teletovic 1-4 0-0 2, Jack 2-8 0-0 4, Anderson 1-3 0-0 2, Gutierrez 0-0 0-0 0, Jordan 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 39-89 14-20 98.

NEW YORK (93): Anthony 7-22 5-5 20, Stoudemire 6-10 5-7 17, Dalembert 1-2 0-0 2, Shumpert 4-11 0-0 9, Calderon 7-9 0-0 18, Aldrich 1-4 0-0 2, Hardaway Jr. 1-7 0-0 2, Acy 2-3 0-0 4, Ja.Smith 1-3 0-0 2, Prigioni 2-4 0-0 6, Larkin 2-5 2-2 8, Wear 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 36-81 12-14 93.

Brooklyn	27	22	28	21	— 98
New York	19	27	27	20	— 93

3-Point Goals—Brooklyn 8-17 (Williams 3-5, Johnson 1-4, Bogdanovic 0-1, Teletovic 0-2, Jack 0-2), New York 11-28 (Calderon 5-8, Prigioni 2-4, Larkin 2-4, Shumpert 1-4, Anthony 1-7, Hardaway Jr. 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Brooklyn 59 (Garnett 13), New York 45 (Anthony, Stoudemire 9). Assists—Brooklyn 22 (Johnson 5), New York 22 (Calderon 7). Total Fouls—Brooklyn 20, New York 21. Technicals—Garnett, Stoudemire, New York defensive three second 2. A—19,812 (19,763).

HAWKS 106, CELTICS 105

BOSTON (105): Green 10-18 4-4 25, Sullinger 9-16 0-0 22, Zeller 2-4 4-5 8, Rondo 1-8 0-0 2, Bradley 7-13 1-2 16, Thornton 3-7 0-0 8, Bass 3-9 0-0 6, Turner 5-7 0-0 12, Olynyk 1-4 2-2 4, Wallace 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 41-84 11-13 105.

ATLANTA (109): Carroll 2-8 0-0 5, Millsap 7-15 5-5 19, Horford 8-13 0-0 16, Teague 4-9 0-0 8, Korver 8-8 2-2 24, Antic 3-6 2-2 10, Schroder 6-12 3-5 15, Mack 0-2 0-0 0, Sefolosha 0-3 0-0 0, Scott 2-2 0-0 4, Bazemore 3-3 0-0 7. Totals 43-82 12-14 109.

Boston	42	34	19	20	— 105
Atlanta	30	20	30	29	— 109

3-Point Goals—Boston 12-23 (Sullinger 4-7, Bradley 3-5, Turner 2-2, Thornton 2-2, Green 1-3, Olynyk 0-1, Rondo 0-3), Atlanta 11-24 (Korver 6-7, Antic 2-4, Bazemore 1-1, Teague 1-2, Carroll 1-4, Millsap 0-2, Mack 0-2, Schroder 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Boston 49 (Rondo 12), Atlanta 37 (Millsap, Horford, Korver 6). Assists—Boston 33 (Rondo 19), Atlanta 36 (Teague 9). Total Fouls—Boston 20, Atlanta 14. A—12,705 (18,729).

LAKERS 106, PISTONS 96

L.A. LAKERS (106): Johnson 5-6 0-1 13, Boozer 7-13 0-0 14, Hill 10-15 2-2 22, Lin 2-5 5-7 11, Bryant 4-11 3-3 12, Davis 1-1 1-2 3, Young 5-13 6-7 19, Price 0-2 0-0 0, Sacre 1-8 1-2 3, Ellington 4-7 0-0 9. Totals 39-81 18-24 106.

DETROIT (96): Singler 2-5 0-0 5, Smith 7-17 4-4 18, Drummond 3-9 2-4 8, Jennings 2-10 6-6 10, Caldwell-Pope 3-9 1-2 7, Monroe 5-7 4-6 8, Martin 0-3 0-0 0, Butler 4-7 1-1 11, Augustin 4-7 4-6 13, Jerebko 1-8 2-2 9, Datome 3-8 0-0 7. Totals 33-90 24-31 96.

L.A. Lakers	19	27	35	25	— 106
Detroit	19	28	20	31	— 96

3-Point Goals—L.A. Lakers 10-17 (Johnson 3-3, Young 3-6, Lin 2-4, Ellington 1-1, Bryant 1-3), Detroit 6-21 (Butler 2-4, Singler 1-2, Augustin 1-2, Datome 1-3, Jerebko 1-4, Jennings 0-1, Smith 0-1, Martin 0-1, Caldwell-Pope 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Lakers 50 (Hill 13), Detroit 62 (Drummond 13). Assists—L.A. Lakers 25 (Bryant 13), Detroit 20 (Smith 6). Total Fouls—L.A. Lakers 28, Detroit 16. Technicals—Smith, Detroit Coach Van Gundy. A—14,083 (22,076).

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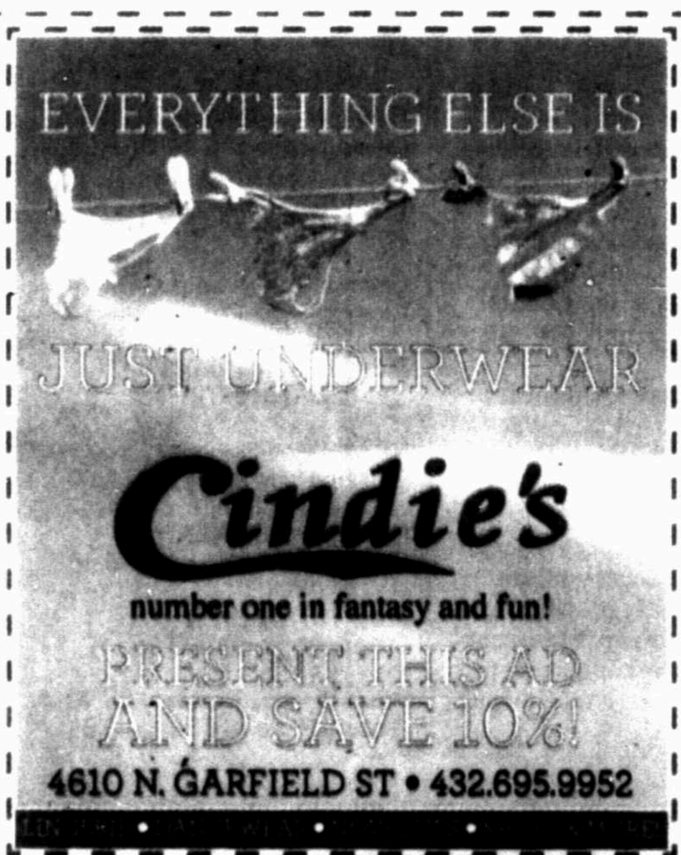

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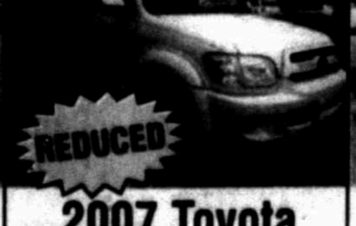

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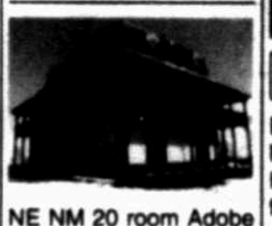

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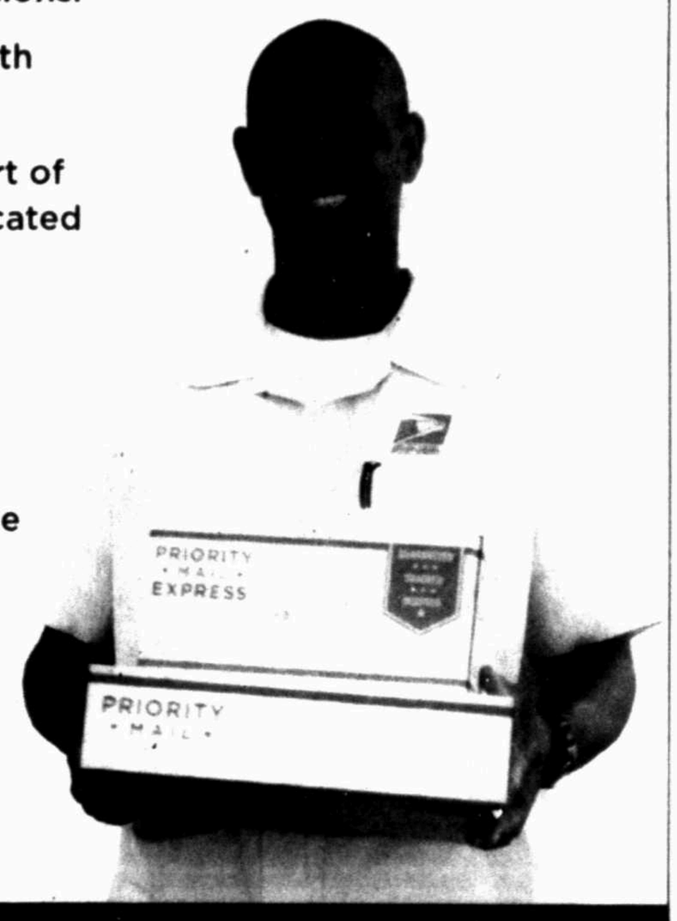

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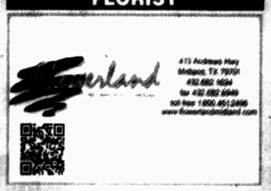

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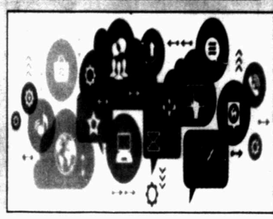

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