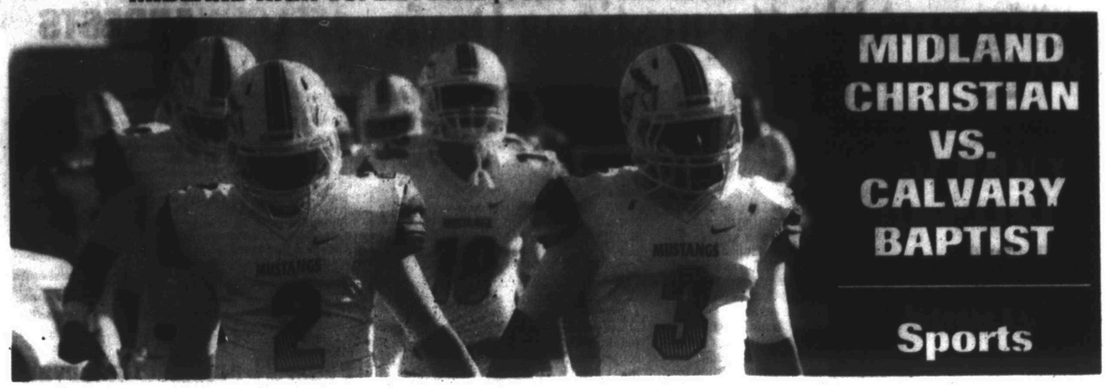
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Section of Lofts to be ready by November

Developer: More than 500 crowd list for downtown apartments

By Rye Druzin
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Construction of the Wall Street Lofts in downtown Midland is nearing completion, but the residences won't be ready for tenants until November, according to developer Roger Gault.

The first residential tenants of the four-story building will receive their apartments sometime during the first half of November. The lofts will be released floor-by-floor, with the top floor, leasing office and club room coming online first, according to Gault. Dates have not been set for the release of the other units. The parking garage should also be completed in mid-November, he said.

The 5,000 square feet of retail space in the bottom of the building has not yet been leased. Gault said that he has had multiple businesses interested in the Wall Street Lofts, both from retail and food service. Gault does not believe that filling the space will be an issue.

He told the Reporter-Telegram in June that he hoped the project would be done in September, far ahead of its original expected completion of March 2015. But in a more recent interview, he cited construction delays that have pushed back the dates.

"Any construction project in Midland is a challenge right now because of the labor shortage, but overall we're pleased because we haven't had any major problems with labor or our construction schedule," Gault said.

Despite the delays, the Lofts are set to be four months ahead of schedule, while the parking garage, originally set to open

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HOMECOMING PARADE



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Members of Lee High football team wave to the crowds Thursday during the Lee High homecoming parade. Lee High School plays Southlake Carroll tonight for its homecoming game.

Football titan travels west as Southlake Carroll invades Midland

By Chris Hummer
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More coverage

Read a preview of tonight's game on Page 1C. Follow the action live at mrt.com.

Outside of the colors, direction and decade, almost everything will be the same.

Today, a bus loaded with high school athletes will coast along Interstate 20. In the path behind it, cars with school bumper stickers and windows decorated with messages of support will follow in a long, disjointed line toward a Friday evening game.

The premiere football program in the state is on the move, and the town of Southlake, clad in green and black, must follow west.

Twenty-five years ago this pillar of support would have caravanned behind a bus the other direction. When Mojo traveled, Odessa was placed on hold to follow. Fifteen years ago, portions of Midland would have shifted east — the Rebels were on the way to the Metroplex.

When Lee squares off with Southlake Carroll at 7:30 p.m. today at Grande Communications Stadium, it's the new state power traveling to face one of the old.

"It is two great programs in West Texas on a Friday night and you can't ask for more than that," said Midland ISD athletic director Todd Howey.

The matchup is between the only two schools in Texas to have captured three straight titles in the state's highest classification in the last half century: Lee won its trio from 1998-2000 and Carroll from 2004-06. But since Midland High's run to the state championship game in 2002, no Permian Basin team, including the famed Panthers, has advanced past the third round of the playoffs.

Teams out west are still competitive, but the power in the state, cyclical as always, has shifted to the Metroplex. Carroll, and its run over the last two decades, is a perfect representation of the era change.

"Mojo is synonymous with high school football, and Southlake Carroll is the same thing," said Kevin Mannix, a member of Permian's 1989 state title team. "If you talk to anyone in the nation about Southlake Carroll they're going to know who that is for what they did the last 10 or 15 years."

In many ways, Carroll is an

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City, county shatter sales tax records

■ Two entities combine for more than $85 million in sales tax revenue

By Stewart Doreen
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If sales tax collection is an economic indicator, then it was a very good year in Midland. In fact, there has never been a better year.

The city of Midland this week reported collecting $43,378,823 in sales tax from the state comptroller's office. That figure smashed the previous record, set in 2013, by more than $5 million.

But the rise in sales tax collections goes beyond a one-year increase. In fiscal year 2004, the city's sales tax collection was just more than $14 million. The growth is also demonstrated in that the collection has nearly doubled since fiscal year 2010.

Midland County also saw similar growth in the past decade. The $10.4 million it received in fiscal year 2004 is a about a fourth of the $42 million in fiscal year 2014.

The sales tax in the city of Midland is 8.25 percent. Of that, 6.25 goes to the state. One cent goes to the city, a half cent goes to the county and a quarter-cent goes to both the Midland Development Corp. and to the Football, Soccer and Baseball Complex Development Corp., which is responsible for paying off the debt from the building of the Scharbauer Sports Complex.

Sales tax helps pay for the general fund budget. In the city's 2015 budget, 40 percent of its general fund is to come from sales tax, 33 percent from property tax and 27 percent from other revenue sources.

Almost one-quarter of the general fund — 24 percent — will be used for the fire department, and 25 percent will be for the police department.

Excess sales tax revenue and other excess revenue is put into an unappropriated fund balance, which is similar to a savings account.

"(Sales tax revenue growth) means more one-time capital improvements, new roads and maintenance on roads and various infrastructure," said Sara Higgins, city spokeswoman.

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Abbott questions Davis book tour during race

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Democrat Wendy Davis on Thursday disputed ethics allegations raised by Republican opponent Greg Abbott over promoting her new memoir in the final stretch of the Texas governor's race.

Abbott's campaign said it had filed a formal complaint to the Texas Ethics Commission, which has recently signaled getting fed-up with candidates using the agency as a campaign tactic.

Davis used campaign funds to fly to New York this week as part of her publicity tour for "Forgetting to be Afraid," in which she reveals having an abortion for medical reasons in the 1990s. The book debuted this week as one of the top political biography sellers on Amazon.

The complaint alleges that the trip — which the Davis campaign says included one campaign event — violated state ethics laws because donors covered the airfare. Abbott's campaign had asked the agency earlier this week for an opinion about Davis' promotional stops.

"These kinds of attempts to silence Wendy Davis have failed in the past and only show how worried Greg Abbott is about the power of her story," Davis spokesman Zac Petkanas said. He said they carefully followed legal guidelines and called the complaint frivolous.

Ian Steusloff, assistant general counsel the ethics commission, said the agency could not comment on nature of the complaint or even confirm that one was received.

But in December, commissioners made clear in a resolution that it "unanimously condemns" campaigns using its office to attack political opponents. They wrote that publicizing filed complaints are "improper attempts to mislead the public" and called it an unfair practice that voters should judge accordingly.

A ruling about the merits of the complaint is unlikely to come before the Nov. 4 election.

"The fact that a complaint has been filed or the Commission is investigating provides no meaningful information to the voting public," the resolution read.

Abbott spokesman Matt Hirsch defended the campaign publicizing the filing, saying it has only focused on substance and therefore keeps with the spirit of the commission's resolution.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Robert Caldwell, 33, of Salem was charged on Wednesday with sexual abuse of a child.

Andrew B. Garcia, 24, of Lamesa was charged on Wednesday with evading arrest.

Antonio M. Gonzalez, 33, of Midland was charged on Wednesday with driving while intoxicated.

Richard C. Mears, 41, of Midland was charged on Wednesday with assault on a family or house member.

Jose Miranda, 29, of O'Brien was charged on Wednesday with violation of probation and failure to appear.

Mai B. Nguyen, 23, of Odessa was charged on Wednesday with violation of probation.

Rhonda M. Pena, 22, of Midland was charged on Wednesday with possession of a controlled substance.

Gabriel J. Rodriguez, 37, of Midland was charged on Wednesday with sex offender registration.

Leonora E. Tena, 63, of Midland was charged with possession of a controlled substance.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Feds: 21 arrested in Aryan Brotherhood drug ring

Associated Press

WACO — Authorities say they've arrested 21 members of the Aryan Brotherhood prison gang in an alleged conspiracy to sell methamphetamine.

The U.S. Attorney's Office for western Texas said Thursday that investigators have seized 9 pounds of crystal meth and 15 firearms from the group of defendants, based in and around Waco.

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CRIMEBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Man allegedly threatens to kill woman with knives

A man from Wink was arrested Tuesday for allegedly threatening to kill a woman with kitchen knives after a lengthy verbal fight.


Hamm

Duncan Josiah Hamm, 36, was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and retaliation.

Hamm and the woman went to her apartment where they argued for 20 to 30 minutes before it got physical, according to the arrest affidavit. Hamm allegedly threatened to kill her two different times before she ran out.

The woman, barefoot, distraught and crying when she met with officers, said Hamm grabbed her and pushed her into the dining room. He then grabbed a small knife, went outside and stabbed a neighbor's vehicle tire, according to the affidavit.

Hamm then returned inside and verbally threatened to kill the woman, threw the knife and then hit her with his fists, according to the affidavit.

Hamm then grabbed a butcher knife, went outside again and once again slashed another tire on the same vehicle. He then verbally threatened her life again, according to the affidavit.

Officers noticed marks on the womans's face, allegedly from Hamm hitting her, according to the affidavit.

The damage to the neighbor's vehicle, which also included a shoe mark on a window, was estimated to be $630.

Hamm was held Thursday on a $50,000 bond for the aggravated assault charge, which was classified as a first-degree felony.

If convicted, Hamm faces life in state prison, or a term greater than five years but less than 99 years.

Dog sniffs out meth hidden in car

A Midland woman was arrested Tuesday for allegedly having meth on herself and inside her vehicle.


Johnson

Jessica Robin Johnson, 35, was charged with having a prohibited substance or item in a correctional facility.

Johnson was a passenger in her own vehicle Tuesday afternoon when a Department of Public Safety trooper stopped the vehicle for expired license plates, according to the arrest affidavit.

When the trooper asked the driver if there was any contraband in the vehicle, the driver said, "Not that I know of."

Both Johnson and the driver denied the trooper consent to search the vehicle, so a Midland County Sheriff's deputy came on the scene with a dog. The dog sniffed out contraband and a search was conducted, according to the affidavit.

Meth was found in a small, clear plastic bag on the passenger side, close to where Johnson was sitting. Johnson told the trooper she forgot the drugs were in the vehicle, according to the affidavit.

The driver was cited for an expired registration and released from the scene. Johnson was transported to jail.

At the jail, another bag of meth was found on Johnson, according to the affidavit.

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

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US sharply cutting deportations

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama is on pace this year to deport the fewest number of immigrants since at least 2007, even as he has postponed until after Election Day his promised unilateral action that could shield millions more from deportation.

According to an analysis of Homeland Security Department figures by The Associated Press, the federal agency responsible for deportations sent home 258,608 immigrants between the start of the budget year last October and July 28 this summer. During the same period a year earlier, it removed 320,167 people — meaning a decrease this year of nearly 20 percent.

Over the same period ending in July 2012, Immigration and Customs Enforcement deported 344,624 people, some 25 percent more than this year, according to the federal figures obtained by the AP.

The figures, contained in weekly internal reports marked "Official Use Only," reflect the marked decline in deportations even as Obama has delayed announcing what changes he will make to U.S. immigration policies. Immigration advocates widely expect Obama to reduce the number of people who are deported, and that's a particularly sensitive issue in many states, leading to his postponement of any action until after the November elections.

Obama sent his chief of staff to the Capitol on Thursday to reassure unhappy Latino lawmakers that he still plans to act by the end of the year. Lawmakers say that some vented their anger during the meeting with Denis McDonough, who heard them out and pledged action.

Since Obama took office, his administration has removed more than 2.1 million immigrants.

There are two principal reasons why fewer immigrants already are being deported:

■ The Obama administration decided as early as summer 2011 to focus its deportation efforts on criminal immigrants or those who posed a threat to national security or public safety. Many others who crossed into the United States illegally and could be subject to deportation are stuck in a federal immigration court system. Last month the backlog in that system exceeded 400,000 cases for the first time, according to court data analyzed by the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse at Syracuse University. For each case, it now takes several years for a judge to issue a final order to leave the U.S.

■ As Border Patrol agents detain more people from countries in Central America, not Mexico, the volume and circumstances of the cases take more time for overwhelmed immigration officials and courts to process because, among other reasons, the U.S. must fly such immigrants home rather than letting them walk back across the border into Mexico. A surge in the number of immigrant families, mostly women and young children, has swamped temporary holding facilities, leading the Homeland Security Department to release many people into the U.S. interior with instructions to report back to authorities later.

Asked for comment, Immigration and Customs Enforcement spokeswoman Gillian Christensen said the agency has not released removal numbers for this budget year and officials are "still assessing a number of factors that inform ICE's ability to remove individuals."



AP file photo

A U.S. Customs and Border Protection Air and Marine agent looks for signs along trail while on patrol near the Texas-Mexico border near McAllen on Sept. 5. President Barack Obama, who has postponed until after Election Day his plan for executive actions that could shield millions of immigrants from deportation, is already on pace this year to deport the fewest number of immigrants since at least 2007, according to a new analysis of Homeland Security Department figures by The Associated Press.

Obama pledges immigration action

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama will act on his own by year's end to remake the nation's fractured immigration system, and he will go as far as he can under the law, the White House chief of staff told frustrated Latino lawmakers Thursday.

Chief of staff Denis McDonough made the commitments in a closed-door meeting at the Capitol with members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus. Like other Latinos and immigrants rights' activists the lawmakers were fuming over Obama's decision Saturday, made under pressure from endangered Senate Democrats, to put off promised executive action on immigration until after November's midterm elections.

In Thursday's meeting, according to lawmakers who attended, McDonough heard out their concerns and renewed the president's commitment to act — pledging under lawmakers' questions that it would happen even if Democrats lose the Senate, the political environment turns worse and Obama once again faces calls to put off his decision.

"We told him we were mad, we thought for sure he was going to act because he said he would, we're very upset about that," said Rep. Juan Vargas, D-Calif. "At the same time we got the promise that he's going to act as generously as he possibly can before the end of the holiday season."

McDonough told reporters, "It was good to catch up with the caucus and underscore to them our continuing commitment to resolve the challenges with our broken immigration system and underscore to them that the president will act on this before the end of the year."

Obama earlier this year promised that, given congressional inaction on comprehensive immigration legislation, he would act on his own by the end of the summer. That could include protecting millions of immigrants in this country illegally from deportation, and granting them work permits allowing them to work legally in this country. Such action would be an expansion of a program Obama created two years ago for immigrants brought here illegally as youths.

The administration is also weighing steps that could make more visas available for the business community.

The exact contours of the plans are unclear, but in light of the White House's decision to delay, Obama is facing pressure to take even broader steps on his own than he had been weighing. Rep. Luis Gutierrez, D-Ill., pressed McDonough about that, and the response was that Obama would go as far as he legally can, lawmakers said.

Federal officials propose immigration lockup

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Federal authorities want to build a new South Texas immigration lockup for families amid an unprecedented surge in the number of youngsters pouring across the U.S. border, a federal official said Thursday.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement is proposing a residential center in the town of Dilley, about 70 miles southwest of San Antonio, agency spokeswoman Adelina Pruneda said.

"Structures on the site may be used temporarily to house up to 680 residents while the new facilities are built," she said.

Pruneda said ICE isn't discussing further details, including how many adults and children the 50-acre facility would house, how much it would cost or when it might be ready.

ICE is working to "finalize contracts with construction and service providers" for the South Texas facility, she said.

The spike in unaccompanied children and families crossing the border has strained federal authorities' capacity to house those arrested on immigration charges. Many of the immigrants say they are fleeing drug and gang violence in Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador. Some are seeking asylum. Others are held in detention while awaiting deportation or placement with relatives already in the U.S.

Last month, federal authorities converted an all-male facility in Karnes City, southeast of San Antonio, to accept 532 mothers and their children. Another immigration center for families in Pennsylvania and a temporary site in New Mexico have a combined capacity of about 800.

"ICE's family residential centers are an effective option to maintain family units as they await the outcome of immigration hearings or return to their home countries," Pruneda said in a statement. "ICE ensures that family detention facilities operate in an open environment that includes play rooms, social workers, medical care, and classrooms with state-certified teachers and bilingual teachers."

The plan is being decried by advocacy groups, who point to the fraught history of a past Texas family immigration lockup, the T. Don Hutto detention center, northeast of Austin. The ACLU and University of Texas Immigration Law Clinic sued in 2007 over incarcerating families there, alleging inhumane conditions.

Authorities in 2009 removed all families and sent them to the Pennsylvania facility, and Hutto now only houses women.

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■ Texas Buck'n Heat Band, 9 p.m., Detour Bar.

■ Justin Langston at Saltgrass Steak House.

■ Proud Cut Ponies at the Lone Star Bar.

■ "Urinetown The Musical" at Midland Community Theatre. mctmidland.org.

■ "Real Close to Broadway" Maverick Players production at VFW Hall. maverickplayers.org.

New movies in Midland

At Tall City 14: "No Good Deed," "Transformers: Age of Extinction - an IMAX 3D Experience"

At Cinergy Cinemas: "No Good Deed," "Dolphin Tale 2 - Epic"

Big Sky Drive-In: "Dolphin Tale 2"

Football in Midland County

■ Southlake Carroll vs. Lee High School, 7:30 p.m. Grande Communications Stadium

■ Shallowater at Greenwood, 7:30 p.m.

■ Grandfalls-Royalty at Trinity, 7:30 p.m.

■ Midland High is on the road this week.

See more coverage in the Sports section.

Community Calendar

■ Club Internacional de Literatura en español will meet at 7 p.m. today at the Midland County Public Library's Centennial branch. The club is a non-profit organization aimed at promoting Spanish literature, culture and education in the Hispanic community.

For more information, contact dmauricio@midland.edu.

■ The Hispanic Cultural Center of Midland will host Diez y Seis de Septiembre Parade Saturday in celebration of Mexico's Independence Day.

The parade will begin at 10 a.m. at Bradford Park on Jefferson and New York streets and travel south on Lamesa Road to Florida Street, then west on Florida Avenue, south on Colorado Street and will end in front of South Elementary.

For more information visit www.hccmidland.org or contact Charlene McBride at 683-4226.

■ Midland College is celebrating Diez y Seis with a performance by the Hispanic Cultural Center of Midland's Ballet Folkorico dancers. The event is 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at at Beal Plaza. Free lunch will be served.

For more information, call 685-4556 or visit midland.edu/events.

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Source: TexasGasPrices.com

Water usage

(Includes deliveries from the Colorado River Municipal Water District, T-Bar Ranch and Paul Davis well fields)

Sept. 3: 27,548,000 gallons
Sept. 4: 25,652,000 gallons
Sept. 5: 20,220,000 gallons
Sept. 6: 20,419,000 gallons
Sunday: 17,520,000 gallons
Monday: 19,130,000 gallons
Tuesday: 24,131,000 gallons
Wednesday: 26,093,000 gallons

The average CRMWD delivery to Midland in August was 16,533,583 gallons. The current average in September is 13,824,900.

Source: City of Midland

Lake Levels

	2012	2013	2014
Ivie	12.35	16.28	16.69
Spence	0.20	5.06	1.37
Thomas	0.73	1.97	1.20

Note: Listed is the percentage of the lakes that are full.

Source: CRMWD

Watering schedule

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

Even-numbered addresses may water outdoors on Saturdays and Wednesdays from 6 p.m. until midnight.

Odd-numbered addresses may water outdoors on Fridays and Tuesdays from 6 p.m. until midnight.

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

The washing outdoor surfaces ban is still in effect.

Use of water to fill, refill or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools or Jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours of 6 p.m. and midnight beginning on their designated watering days.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 0-4-9
Pick 3 day: 4-6-1
Pick 3 evening: 6-0-7
Pick 3 night: 0-0-8
Daily 4 morning: 4-3-9-4
Daily 4 day: 0-1-8-1
Daily 4 evening: 3-7-4-9
Daily 4 night: 3-8-3-3
Cash Five: 1-4-22-23-37
Texas Two Step: 3-4-13-27 BB: 13
All or Nothing morning: 1-2-3-4-5-8-10-12-13-17-23-24
All or Nothing day: 4-6-8-11-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-24
All or Nothing evening: 1-2-6-8-9-11-14-15-19-20-22-24
All or Nothing night: 2-3-5-7-8-12-16-17-18-19-20-22

MHS JROTC hosts 9/11 memorial event

By Tessa Duvall
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Although many Midland High School students are too young to remember the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, the school's Air Force Junior ROTC commemorated the 13th anniversary with a ceremony Thursday morning.

Following the flag-raising ceremony and playing of "The Star Spangled Banner," the stars and stripes were lowered to half-staff as taps was played.

Mayor Jerry Morales, Midland Police Department Chief Price Robinson and Fire Chief Robert Isbell addressed the audience of school officials, community guests and students.



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Members of Midland High JROTC starid in formation before the start of the Sept. 11 Memorial ceremony outside Midland High School.

Robinson compared Sept. 11 and the attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941.

"I, like many of you in the crowd, was not born yet when (Pearl Harbor) happened," he said. "We learned about it by talking with our parents and studying about it in school. The attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, happened when many of you students were very small. I, however, remember what I was doing on that day."

Robinson said he and the other guests discussed where they were on Sept. 11 before the ceremony, as the events are "burned in our memory," but said students have learned about it from their parents and in school.

Learning about and honoring the attacks on Pearl Harbor and Sept. 11 ensure that Americans never forget those historic events, he said.

"Time passes, things change, memories change," Robinson said. "But if we don't take time to remember, then we'll forget and think that we remember. Ceremonies like this keep the memory of that tragic day alive for the ceremonies that will be held on the 14th anniversary."

Two JROTC cadets who helped plan the event — Cadet 2nd Lt. Brayden Woods, a junior, and Cadet 2nd Lt. Aubree Rowley, a senior — both have vague memories of the attacks.

"(My parents) talked about it, but I really didn't know what was going on at the time," Rowley said.

"I remember I was getting ready and we were watching, maybe it was the 'Today' show,' and that's when I saw the fire and the smoke," Woods said.

Both felt the attacks made an impression on their childhoods and made the country stronger as a whole.

"It's brought us together as one," Rowley said. "Now that we've learned about it, we're able to tell it for generations to come so they can remember all those lives lost that day."

Woods said he plans to join the Air Force, and Rowley said she is applying to the military academies to study civil engineering.

"The people who were there on the scene at 9/11, their patriotism affected the way I want to serve," Rowley said. "It's a great symbolism of them to do such great things for our country and I just want to return the favor."

HELPING HEROES



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

H-E-B employees served and share a lunch Thursday with Midland Station 8 firefighters as part of Helping Heroes and National Day of Service.

LOFTS

From 1A

in December, will open one month early.

The original floor plans show that the Lofts will include 108 one- and two-bedroom apartments ranging from 605 square feet to 1,136 square feet. A top-floor clubhouse with flat screen televisions and a kitchen will complement the Lofts' pool and fitness center. Gault said that interest in the project has been overwhelming, with more than 500 names crowding the list for the yet-to-be-finished building.

"Oh gosh, the demand has really been off the charts," Gault said while laughing. "When we first started conceptualizing the plan for these units, we didn't know if the demand would be there for downtown living, but I think that question has been answered and the project had been validated."

Construction costs have been estimated to be more than $17.4 million. Of that amount, private funds provided $12 million, Gault said previously. The city, in conjunction with the Midland Development Corp., provided $5 million to pay for the construction of the parking garage. Additionally, the MDC used $400,000 to pay for associated costs, such as architect fees. The land that the Lofts sits on, which at the time was valued to be worth $350,000, was provided for the project at no charge through the city's Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Board.

SOUTHLAKE

From 1A

appropriate spiritual successor of the aura that surrounded West Texas football, especially the Panthers, in its heyday.

Like Permian, Carroll football is the spectacle that defines the town. Friday nights are a show. Business may not shut down for the day in famed Odessa fashion, but a large majority of the population is there to cheer on the Dragons.

Former Texas Longhorn Tre' Newton, who played running back at Carroll from 2005-07, remembers the fans vividly. Many would stop him in the streets to say good luck, but others still would pepper him with tips for the next game or recite his stats from the previous week.

Euless Trinity head coach Steve Lineweaver, a Carroll assistant for the Dragons' first two state championships in 1988 and 1992, said there are very few places like Southlake for football.

"You can just look up at the stands and see the support and the love; you don't want to let them down," Lineweaver said. "It's just a unique, wonderful place."

The Dragon fans travel too. Newton remembers playing Trinity in the second round of the 2006 state playoffs at Texas Stadium. He looked up and could swear "(the) whole city of Southlake came out." He also remembers many games when the road Carroll crowd would be a sea of green and black, with the home colors only peppered throughout the stands.

Outside of the fans, it's the sense of pride that players take from wearing the Dragon green and black that is most reminiscent of Permian's run of dominance.

Much like Odessa, every boy in Southlake grows up wanting to be a Dragon. Lineweaver said each team in the town, from pee-wee to the JV, is named the Dragons — no other name would suffice. And much like the Permian wing-T, the Dragons' spread system is taught at every level of football in town.

The reverence of the Dragon name plays right into Southlake's mantra, "Protect the tradition." And the players take those three words as law.

"More than anything, It's the sense of pride," Newton said. "You don't want to be the group that lets down the group behind you. It's all about protecting the tradition and protecting what standard was set before you."

That same attitude encapsulated Permian under John Wilkins, Gary Gaines and Tam Hollingshead when the Panthers reigned from 1973-1991, winning four state titles in that stretch. It also helped craft the quality of invincibility the Panthers carried.

"There was a certain mystic at Permian back then, because of the success they had," Wilkins said. "It continued on for, hell, almost 30 years."

Wilkins said there was a certain intimidation factor when Permian traveled and played teams from outside of West Texas, and he suggested the Dragons now have a similar luster.

He said the top quality of football in the state has shifted. Wilkins said "arguably the best football in Texas" was played in West Texas for a 40-year period. But the last decade, the title has shifted toward the big-city schools, and he said Southlake has helped trigger the change.

"Southlake Carroll has had a hell of a run, my god," Wilkins said.

This is the first time Southlake has traveled to the Permian Basin to play either of the Midland or Odessa schools; and Howey said the trip west is sure to spark extra ticket sales and excitement for Lee's homecoming game.

But more importantly, it means the titan is coming to town. And no longer does that involve a team hopping on I-20 and driving east.

Follow Chris on Twitter: @ChrisHummer_MRT.

Texas communities marking 9/11 anniversary

Associated Press

AUSTIN — People in communities across Texas are holding ceremonies to remember victims of the 9/11 attacks.

Texas Department of Public Safety Director Steven McCraw said Thursday's anniversary of the 2001 attacks stands as a reminder to "stay vigilant."

McCraw said DPS has a website for the agency's iWATCH program where people can report suspicious behavior that may indicate criminal or terrorist activity. There's also a mobile app for what DPS calls a partnership with other law enforcement agencies that's meant to keep people in Texas safe.

On Sept. 11, 2001, nearly 3,000 people were killed as al-Qaida members hijacked four passenger jets, sending two of the planes into New York's World Trade Center, one into the Pentagon and the fourth into a Pennsylvania field.

SALES TAX

From 1A

The city's new Municipal Court, which will be built on North Baird Street beginning in January, is the latest example of the city using unappropriated fund balance dollars for a capital improvement project. The courthouse is estimated to cost $14.9 million.

Joseph Basco contributed to this report.

Sales Tax figures

FY 2014 collection	$43.3 million
FY 2013 collection	$38.3 million
Percent increase	13.18

Amount dedicated in this fiscal year to pay off sports complex and fund the Midland Development Corp.: $10.825 million

The following are the city of Midland's sales tax collections from fiscal years 2004 through 2014:

2004	$14.1 million
2005	$15.8 million
2006	$18.9 million
2007	$22.0 million
2008	$24.9 million
2009	$25.0 million
2010	$22.7 million
2011	$29.4 million
2012	$34.5 million
2013	$38.3 million
2014	$43.3 million

The following are Midland County's sales tax collections from fiscal years 2005 through 2014:

2005	$10.1 million
2006	$12.5 million
2007	$15.4 million
2008	$19 million
2009	$19.8 million
2010	$17.6 million
2011	$25.1 million
2012	$33 million
2013	$36.7 million
2014	$42 million

Livestrong takes hit after Armstrong confession

Associated Press

AUSTIN — The Livestrong cancer charity is reporting a sharp drop in donations and revenue after founder Lance Armstrong admitted taking performance-enhancing drugs during most of his record-setting cycling career.

In federal forms released this week, Livestrong noted its 2013 donations dipped 34 percent, from nearly $23 million to $15 million after Armstrong's televised admission to Oprah Winfrey in January 2013. Total revenue also took a 38 percent dive after commercial sponsorships were canceled or not renewed.

Without specifically referring to Armstrong, Livestrong blamed the financial downturn on fallout from "revelations and disclosures" made in January 2013.

Armstrong, a cancer survivor, started the charity as the Lance Armstrong Foundation in 1997. He was removed from its board of directors in late 2012, around the same time the foundation changed its name.

A Livestrong spokeswoman did not immediately return a telephone message seeking comment. Livestrong President Doug Ulman thanked supporters in a letter titled "Never Give Up" and posted online Wednesday.

"Because of your support, you helped us weather a tough period and move to the next phase of our evolution," Ulman wrote.

Despite the downturn, Livestrong last month agreed to give $50 million over 10 years to the University of Texas' new medical school for a program emphasizing "patient-centered" cancer care.

Ranch manager pleads guilty to wire fraud charges

From staff reports

A Midland ranch manager pleaded guilty to two federal charges of wire fraud involving a cattle purchasing scheme, according to a press release from the U.S. Attorney's Office, Western District of Texas.

James Edward "Jasper" Jones, 44, could face up to 20 years in federal prison on the two charges.

Local oil company Henry Resources hired Jones in March 2011 to manage several of its ranching properties, including JJB Lands, according to court records.

Jones, doing business as Stampede Ranch and Lease Management, agreed to buy cattle for JJB Lands. Stampede would invoice JJB Lands for additional cattle purchases, and JJB Lands would pay Stampede for the services, according to the release.

On Sept. 5, Jones admitted not all of the funds were being used for cattle. Jones used a large portion for other expenses, including personal ones, according to the release.

An inventory check found that 120 head of cattle that were assumed to be purchased were not found. JJB Lands lost an estimated $400,000, according to the release.

Jones remains on bond pending sentencing on Dec. 5 before U.S. District Judge Rob Junell.

STATEBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

SAN ANGELO

Hive sought in bees attack, one hospitalized

Experts will try to identify what type of bees stung a man who was mowing near a West Texas convenience store in an attack that sent him to a hospital.

San Angelo police said several people who tried to help the man Wednesday were also stung and required medical attention.

Lt. Tony Huston said the bees were traced to the wall of the convenience store. Authorities believe the bees were in a restroom not open to the public.

Police said the hospitalized man, whose name wasn't released, was in stable condition. Three women who were nearby tried to help the victim and they were also stung, but suffered lesser injuries.

Several San Angelo firefighters were stung while rescuing the man and they were treated at the scene.

DALLAS

South Texas, Dallas area have minor earthquakes

Minor earthquakes have been recorded in the Dallas area and hundreds of miles away in South Texas but officials had no immediate reports of damage or injuries.

The U.S. Geological Survey said a 2.9 magnitude quake happened at 3:21 a.m. CDT Thursday in North Texas. The quake was centered 2 miles north of Irving.

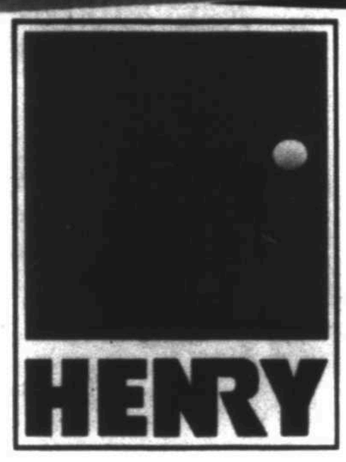
USGS reported a 3.2 magnitude quake happened at 11:53 a.m. Wednesday and was centered 2 miles southeast of Charlotte. The area is 41 miles south-southwest of San Antonio.

Emergency officials in Dallas and Atascosa counties said they had no reports of quake damage or people being hurt.

Be sure to check out Sunday's edition to read weekly

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Yesterday's Answer: MONKEY, BOAR; BONOBO, WHALE 9.12

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SERVINGS: 4

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- ¼ cup medium pico de gallo
- 1 Tbsp. seasoning salt
- 8 slices H-E-B Peppered Bacon cooked crispy
- H-E-B Sliced Cheddar Cheese
- 4 large sesame seed buns

1. Mix ground beef, pico de gallo and seasoning in a large bowl. Do not over mix. Form into 4 equal size patties
2. Over medium-high heat in a grill skillet, cook burgers for 8-10 minutes on each side. Do not press on patties
3. Once burgers are done lay 2 strips of bacon on each burger and cover with 1 slice of cheese. For added flavor, toast buns and serve with favorite condiments

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Large holes found in president's war plans

■ Big coalition? Prove it; how do we get to the end the president proposes?



CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER
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In his Islamic State speech, President Obama said many of the right things. Most importantly, he finally got the mission right: degrade and destroy the enemy.

This alone will probably get him a bump in the polls, which have dropped to historic lows. But his strategic problem remains: the disconnect between (proclaimed) ends and means.

He's sending an additional 475 American advisers to Iraq. He says he's broadening the air campaign, but that is merely an admission that the current campaign was always about more than just protecting U.S. personnel in Irbil and saving Yazidis on mountain tops. It was crucially about providing air support for the local infantry, Kurdish and Iraqi.

The speech's only news was the promise to expand the air campaign into Syria and (finally) seriously arm the secular opposition. But this creates a major problem for Obama. Just a month ago, he ridiculed the non-jihadist rebels as nothing but a bunch of "doctors, farmers, pharmacists and so forth." Now he deputizes them as our Syrian shock troops. So he seems finally to have found his Syria strategy: F-16s flying air support for pharmacists in tanks.

Not to worry, says the president. We'll have lots of other help — "a broad coalition to roll back this terrorist threat." He then proceeded to name not a single member of this stout assembly or offer even an approximate number.

Democrats have a habit of accusing George W. Bush of going it alone in Iraq. According to the Center of Military History of the U.S. Army, Bush had 37 nations with us. They sent more than 25,000 troops. So far, Obama has a coalition of nine: eight NATO members plus Australia. How many of those — or of the much touted Arab coalition behind us — do you think will contribute any troops at all?

And what will this campaign look like? Not Iraq or Afghanistan, the president reassured the nation. The model will be Somalia and Yemen.

Is he serious? First, there's no comparing the scale. This year has seen 16 airstrikes in Yemen, two in Somalia. Two! That doesn't even count as a pinprick.

Second, there is no comparing the stakes. Yemen and Somalia are strategically marginal. The Islamic State controls a vast territory in the heart of oil-rich Mesopotamia, threatening everything of importance in the Middle East.

Third, are these results we want to emulate? Yemen and Somalia are failed states — unsafe, unstable, bristling with active untamed insurgencies. We occasionally pick off a leader by drone — an absurdly inadequate strategy if the goal is to "degrade and ultimately destroy" the Islamic State, which the administration itself calls a terror threat unlike any we've ever seen.

And beyond the strategy's halfhearted substance is its author's halfhearted tone. Obama's reluctance and ambivalence are obvious. This is a man driven to give this speech by public opinion. It shifted radically with the televised beheading of two Americans. Every poll shows that Americans overwhelmingly want something to be done — and someone to lead the doing.

Hence Wednesday's speech. Its origins were more political than strategic. Its purpose was to save the wreckage of a presidency at its lowest ebb. (If this were a parliamentary democracy, Obama would lose a vote of nonconfidence and be out of office.) Its point was to give the appearance of firmness and purpose, i.e., leadership.

You could sense that Obama had been dragged unwillingly into this new unproclaimed war. Which was reminiscent of Obama's speech five years ago announcing the surge in Afghanistan. In the very next sentence, he announced a fixed date of withdrawal. Then added, lest anyone miss his lack of enthusiasm, "the nation that I'm most interested in building is our own."

Meaning, not Afghanistan.

At the time, I called it the most uncertain trumpet ever sounded by a president summoning the country to war. I fear the campaign against the Islamic State will be a reprise.

Even the best war plans run into trouble. This one already suffers from a glaring mismatch of ends and means — and a grand coalition that is largely fictional. Difficulties are sure to come. How will the commander in chief, already reluctant and ambivalent, react to setbacks — the downing of the first American pilot or perhaps a mini-Tet Offensive in Baghdad's Green Zone engulfing the U.S. Embassy?

On that day, we will need a steady, determined president committed to the mission. Do we have one even now?

OUR VIEW

Midland's future looks bright even without Energy Tower(s) project

The Energy Tower(s) project is done. Energy Related Properties made it official this week, although recent signs already pointed to that conclusion Certainly, any momentum related to the one- or two-tower project was gone. Miss two City Council meetings, and there was little else for the rest of us to read into it.

The Energy Tower(s) saga will go down as an educational moment for this community. We have no doubts such a project could have transformed downtown. We also have zero doubt that this project was mishandled from the time the city of Midland sent out a press release announcing that a skyscraper, unlike anything Midanders have seen, was in the works.

Still, there are some positives to come out of the Energy Tower(s) saga.

The first is that it shows the power of representative government. In the end — and make no mistake about it — Energy Tower became about the numbers, specifically what the community could afford to invest in the project. During the most recent city council elections, the electorate spoke loudly in electing J. Ross Lacy and Spencer Robnett. Both had been vocal about how much the community was giving to the developer. Their entry into city leadership offered the opportunity for other council members to take a second look at this development project.

The second, is the future of the county courthouse. This community cannot have an empty courthouse right in the middle of a prosperous downtown. The courthouse should generate activity, or it needs to come down. That space is worth more to this community. While talking about buildings coming down — if the Energy Tower(s) saga gave this community more urgency to bring down abandoned downtown buildings, then that was a big plus.

The third positive outcome is that the discussion about Energy Tower(s) opened our eyes to what Midland can be. We saw there was serious discussion about the transformation of a boom-and-bust city into a major business community. Again, maybe timing was never on the side of project developers. Some version of this project may have become reality had it come before the community a year or 18 months earlier — before companies like Chevron, Pioneer and Oxy were making their plans to build new headquarters. Still, anyone who believes the project's failure was a setback for progress is wrong. Development is going to happen. Midland will change. How grand will that change be? How grand is our imagination?

In our view, the Energy Tower(s) project was good for our community. Energy Related Properties still owns plenty of property downtown, still pays plenty of taxes and will continue to have an impact here. The project led to people becoming more engaged in government, and that is never a bad thing. Ultimately, people must be engaged. And, it provided more evidence of what Midland is: an economic power that is changing by the day and hasn't come close to reaching its potential. Energy Tower(s) didn't happen, but Midland's future still looks awfully bright to us.

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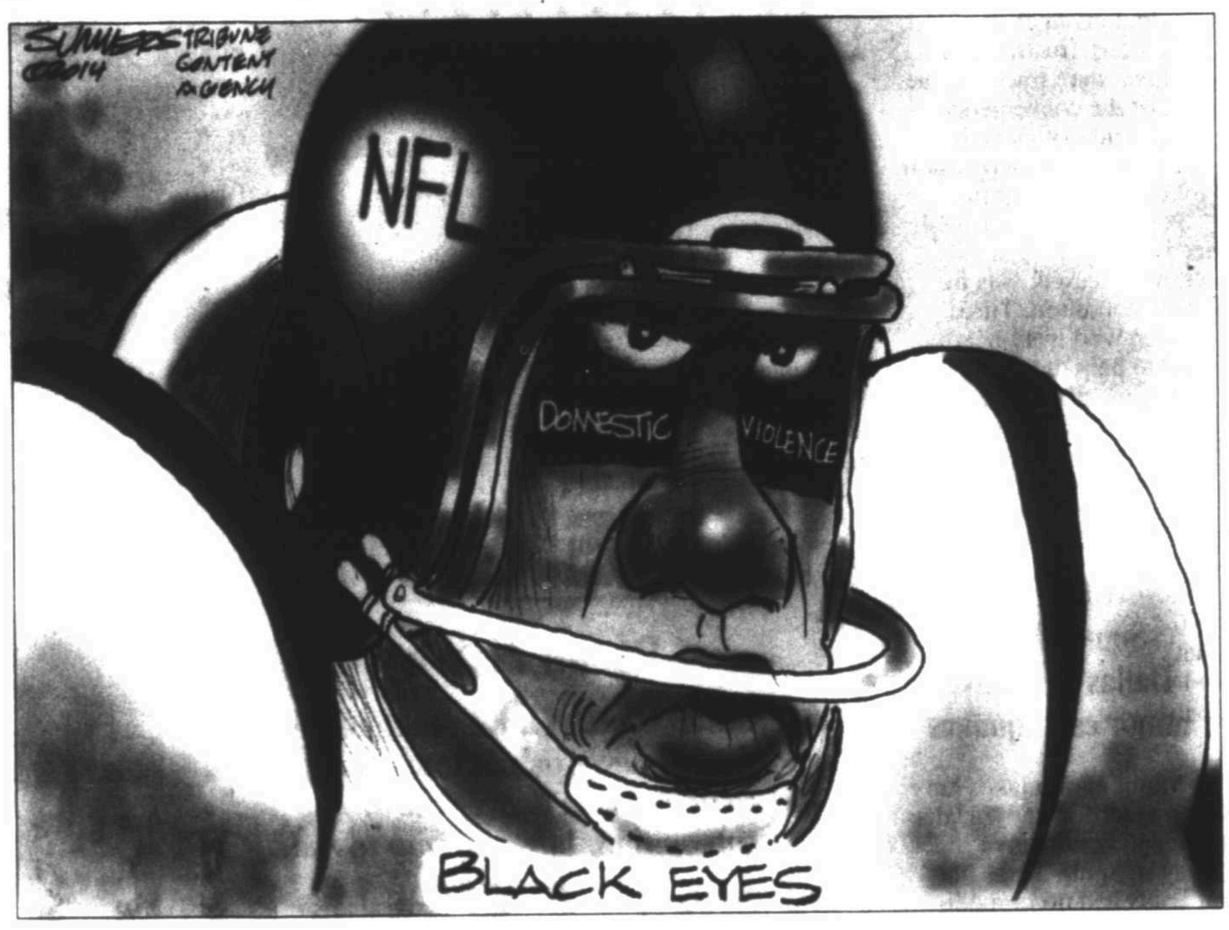
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Obama leads US into halfhearted war

■ There's no strategy or desire to pull the full weight of the US into a war against ISIS



RICH LOWRY
King Features Syndicate

Only President Barack Obama would feel compelled to mention the success of the American auto industry in a speech rallying the nation for a long war of annihilation against a vile terror group.

Through the years, even when he's been his most stalwart-sounding in national-security speeches, you can't shake the sense that he'd much rather be talking up tax credits for plug-in electric cars, or extolling Obamacare's mandate for employer coverage of contraception.

The last thing he wanted to do, nearly six years into his presidency, is have to give a prime-time address about his new war in Iraq.

Yet he did it and sounded credible, indeed forceful and determined. He condemned the viciousness of ISIS. He put himself clearly on record for seeking its destruction. He boasted of his own lethality to our enemies. He extolled American leadership (and talked up the auto companies).

The speech had everything a hawk against ISIS would want — except an unmistakable strategy to destroy ISIS.

The president compared the Iraq effort to the "counterterrorism" campaigns in Somalia and Yemen, countries where we target individual terrorists from the air and occasionally with special forces amid chaos on the ground. If we want to kill some members of ISIS over a period of years while it remains a threat, this is an entirely appropriate model.

The Somalia/Yemen approach is a way, to borrow the president's formulation from just a week ago, to manage the ISIS threat rather than to destroy it.

ISIS has occupied an enormous amount of territory in Iraq and Syria, including major population centers. That is why it declared a caliphate and why it has unprecedented resources. To defeat it, this territory must be taken back, and it is unlikely to happen exclusively from the air — especially in the cities.

It will take ground forces. We hope to work with proxy forces, but they are motley groups that will almost certainly need vetting and advising by special operators working closely with them on the ground. But the president ruled out American ground forces.

The cynical interpretation is that he is hoping to do enough against ISIS to satisfy domestic political opinion and keep the terror group at bay until he can hand off an incomplete campaign to his successor, who will be left with the difficult choice of whether to truly defeat ISIS.

Certainly, the president gives no sign of having absorbed the full magnitude of his policy failures in Iraq and Syria to this point. Former Bush speechwriter Marc Thiessen points out that President George W. Bush, in ordering the surge in Iraq, acknowledged his prior strategy had failed. This established that he had a new understanding of the challenge in the country and underlined his commitment to acting on it. Obama has made no similar acknowledgment, and probably never will.

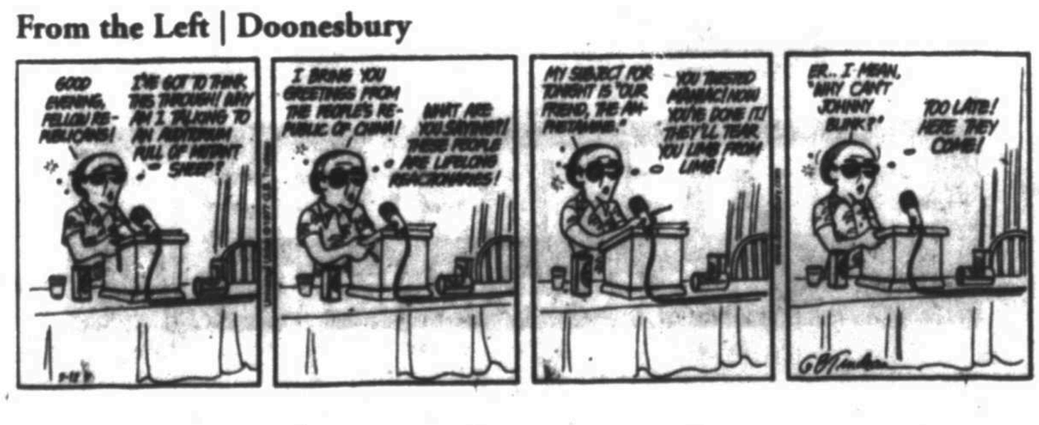
To be sure, we are a long way from January, when the president explained away ISIS's capture of Fallujah as practically the normal course of things in the Sunni heartland of Iraq. It is good that he says he wants to destroy ISIS, good that he has expressed a willingness to extend the bombing campaign to Syria, good that he helped ease the disastrous Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki from power, and good that he has put together a small coalition of the willing.

Perhaps the execution of what he described in his speech will be very robust and he will find a way to get out of his prohibition on boots on the ground, if it becomes obvious that it is an obstacle to success.

But he has a history of all but walking away from his military commitments. He ordered the surge in Afghanistan, then did all he could never to speak of it again, and now risks creating a new Iraq there with another complete pullout in a few years.

No matter how tough he sounds, his heart is someplace else.

From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



Retired general to coordinate Iraq, Syria effort

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Retired Marine Gen. John Allen will coordinate the broad international effort to battle the Islamic State militants, as the campaign against the extremist group ramps up and nations begin to determine what role each will play, U.S. officials said Thursday.

Allen, who has been serving as a security adviser to Secretary of State John Kerry, is expected to work with the nearly 40 nations around the world who have agreed to join the fight and help them coordinate what each will contribute, several officials told The Associated Press.

The officials spoke about Allen's expected appointment on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to discuss the matter ahead of an announcement.

Allen comes to the job with vast experience coordinating international allies on the warfront. He served as deputy commander in Iraq's Anbar province from 2006 to 2008, working with Arab partners on organizing the Sunni uprising against al-Qaida. He moved from there to serve for two years as the deputy commander of U.S. Central Command, which oversees military troops and operations in the Middle East, North Africa and Central Asia.

Allen next became the top U.S. commander in Afghanistan from 2011 to 2013, where he worked with international allies who sent troops to the battlefield.

Obama's request to combat militants draws support

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Bending for once to the will of the White House, Republicans and Democrats coalesced Thursday behind President Barack Obama's call to train and arm Syrian rebels fighting Islamic State militants and pointed toward votes in the heat of a midterm election campaign.

"We ought to give the president what he's asking for," House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio, said, although he swiftly added that many Republicans believe the Democratic commander in chief's strategy is too tepid to crush militants who have overrun parts of Iraq and Syria and beheaded two American journalists.

On the 13th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., said he expected legislation ratifying Obama's request to clear Congress by the end of next week when lawmakers hope to wrap up their work and go home to campaign for re-election.

Congress' two other top officials, Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell and House Democratic leader Nancy Pelosi, also said Obama would get the support he seeks.

Congress is in the midst of a two-week, late-summer session that had been set to focus on domestic issues, principally legislation to extend routine government funding beyond the end of the Sept. 30 budget year. That agenda changed abruptly on Wednesday night, when Obama delivered a prime-time speech from the White House seeking "additional authorities and resources to train and equip" rebels. The forces are simultaneously trying to overthrow Syrian President Bashar Assad and defeat militants seeking to create an Islamist caliphate in the heart of the Middle East.

Obama says he already has the authority to order airstrikes against militants in Syria, although so far, those attacks have come only in neighboring Iraq.

The White House and many lawmakers say deployment of U.S. troops to train and equip Syrian rebels — activity planned to take place in Saudi Arabia — would require additional congressional approval.

On the morning after Obama's speech, the administration deployed a battalion of officials to brief lawmakers, including Gen. Martin Dempsey, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel and Secretary of State John Kerry are expected to testify in next week at public hearings in advance of any votes in Congress.

There was a strong political subtext to the developments, eight weeks before voters pick a new House and settle a struggle for Senate control.

"We do not want to go home without voting on some measure that goes toward destroying and defeating ISIS wherever it exists," said Rep. Michael McCaul, R-Texas, using an alternate acronym for the militants.

Reid accused Republicans of taking cheap political shots at the president, and said, "This is a time for the rhetoric of campaign commercials to go away."

At the same time, candidates seeking re-election will be required to vote on the president's request, and challengers will be on the spot to state their positions.

Republicans served notice they will seek a broader debate, although not before Congress leaves Washington next week.

Sen. Mitch McConnell of Kentucky, the Republican leader and a frequent critic of Obama, said Congress will work quickly on the White House's immediate request. Beyond that, he said Congress must consider "what this multiyear campaign will mean for the overall defense program" — from U.S. nuclear forces on land, sea and air, to a need to "retain dominance" in the Pacific.

Boehner, the leader of the Republican-controlled House, said it could take years to train and equip rebel forces, yet "ISIL's momentum and territorial gains must be halted and reversed immediately."

He added, "An F-16 (warplane) is not a strategy, and airstrikes alone will not accomplish what we're trying to accomplish. And the president's made clear that he doesn't want U.S. boots on the ground. Well, somebody's boots have to be on the ground."

As a president who came to office promising to end wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, Obama has been adamant that he is not now leading the nation into a new ground conflict.

Even so, one Democratic supporter of the president, Sen. Bill Nelson of Florida, said Wednesday night, "The U.S. will probably put boots on the ground, but it will be more commando raids and forward air observers with others to do the actual strikes on the ground."

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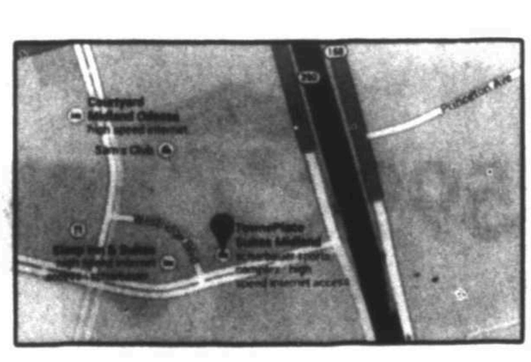
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Pistorius not guilty of murder but was negligent

Associated Press

PRETORIA, South Africa — During his trial, Oscar Pistorius sometimes retched and sobbed. The double-amputee Olympian sobbed again on Thursday, this time in apparent relief as a judge said the evidence did not support a murder conviction for killing girlfriend Reeva Steenkamp.

The judge could still convict Pistorius of a negligent killing — a crime that can carry a lengthy jail term or just a suspended sentence and fine — when she likely finishes reading her lengthy conclusions in court today. Some legal analysts were surprised, saying the runner could at least have been convicted of a lesser murder charge, rather than the premeditated murder charge leveled by the state.

The Pretoria courtroom was packed for the ruling in the case against 27-year-old Pistorius, once a globally admired celebrity who competed against able-bodied athletes at the 2012 Olympics in London. His brother, Carl, was there in a wheelchair because of injuries suffered in a recent car crash. So were Steenkamp's parents, June and Barry.

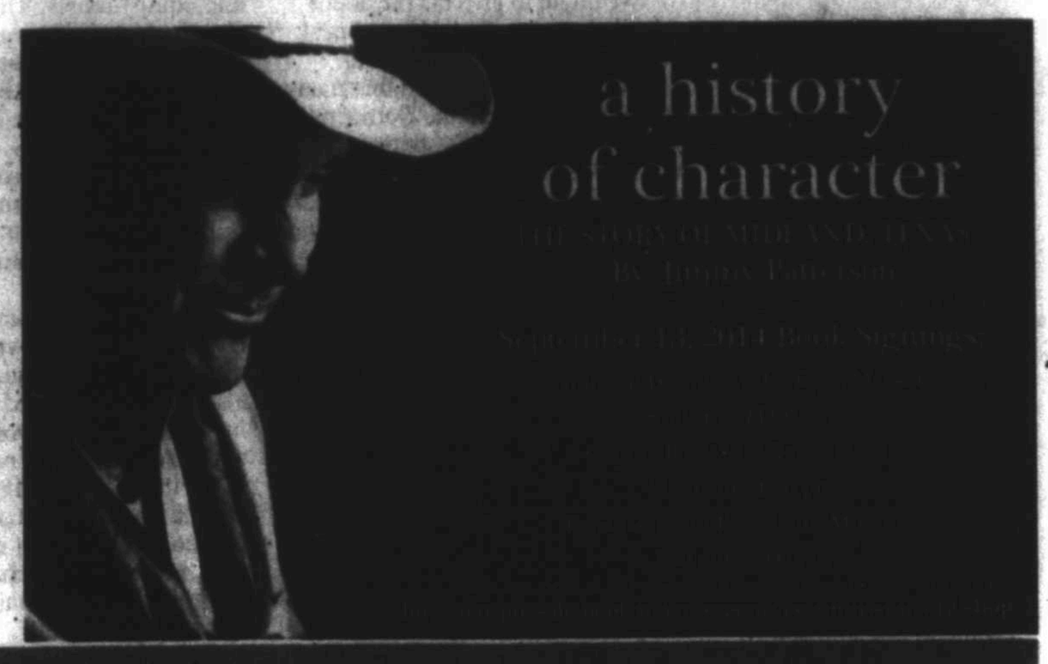
Steenkamp, a 29-year-old model, had been seeing the star athlete for only a few months before he killed her by shooting four times through a closed toilet door in his home in the pre-dawn hours of Valentine's Day last year. Pistorius said he thought an intruder was in the toilet and about to attack him; the prosecution said he intentionally killed her after an argument.

Judge Thokozile Masipa, wearing a red robe, unveiled her analysis of the case after saying little throughout the sensational six-month trial as lawyers argued and witnesses testified about the shocking killing. South Africa does not have a jury system, and judges customarily issue verdicts only after explaining their reasoning.

"The accused cannot be found guilty of murder," the judge said, noting there were "just not enough facts" to support the finding of guilt for premeditated murder, which carries a sentence of 25 years to life in prison, or an unplanned murder, considered a less severe crime.

To support her view that the state had not proved its case beyond a reasonable doubt, the judge said some neighbors' accounts of hearing a woman's screams on the night of Steenkamp's death — a key part of the prosecution's case — were unreliable. The defense had argued that it was Pistorius who was screaming in horror in a high-pitched voice after discovering he had fatally shot Steenkamp.


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RELAY FOR LIFE The annual walk/run to benefit American Cancer Society begins at 6 p.m. Saturday at Midland College.

CHILDREN'S SERVICE First Methodist Midland will begin new "Storytime" services for children at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, featuring "The Story" Bible adaption from Zondervan.

ASSISTANCE PROGRAM Casa de Amigos and the Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services will offer free Specialized Telecommunications Assistance Program to hearing, vision, cognitive or mobility impaired persons at 2 p.m. Tuesday at Casa de Amigos.

COMING UP

RIDE The annual John G. Hyde Memorial Ride for a Cure for Cancer will take place Sept. 20.

DINNER Murder Mystery Dinner for PDAP will be held Sept. 25 at Midland Country Club.

FAIR AND CARNIVAL St. Ann's Family Fair will be the last weekend of the month at St. Ann's Catholic Church and School.

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MEALS ON WHEELS Community & Senior Services of Midland is in need of volunteers to drive and help in the kitchen for its Meals-on-Wheels program. For more information, call 689-6693 or visit cssmidland.org.

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Houston Chronicle file photo

Lakewood Church Pastor Joel Osteen, left, stands next to his wife Victoria Osteen, who is the church's co-pastor, as singers and the band perform on stage during his 11 a.m. service Aug. 28, 2011, in Houston. Osteen's church averages about 40,000 people in attendance per week.

A CHALLENGE TO BELIEFS

Victoria Osteen's sermon comes under scrutiny

By Heather Alexander
Houston Chronicle

Houston mega-church pastor Victoria Osteen has been accused of preaching "cheap Christianity" when she urged Lakewood Church members to attend services to make themselves happy.

"When you come to church ... you're not doing it for God really, you're doing it for yourself ... do good because God wants you to be happy," the wife of televangelist Joel Osteen said in a video clip from an August service that circulated online.

The remarks, which Osteen has admitted "could have been more articulate," triggered a slew of debate last week with critics calling it "cheap" and "me-centered" religion. The director of a Louisville, Kentucky, seminary, the city where the Osteens' held their latest sold-out "Night of Hope," said her comments were totally inconsistent with Scripture.

"My jaw dropped when I saw it," said Mara Einstein, professor of media studies at Queen's College in New York and author "Brands of Faith," a book on marketing in faith. "It makes God the middle man to you being happy, as opposed to the end in itself."

That concept strikes the center of what some find the most distasteful about the Osteens' message: the prosperity theologists' idea that it is God's will for his people to be happy and that worship will result in health, wealth and happiness.

"It's always wrong, and it seems to be glaringly wrong when you've got headlines right now about Christians being martyred in Iraq and Syria," said Albert Mohler, director at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville. "They didn't get there trying to be happy."

Meeting modern needs

In recent writings, the Osteens' message has been called more self-therapy than religion — a kind of 21st-century Christianity recalibrated to meet the needs of contemporary America. Some consider it cognitive therapy where church members build themselves up, rather that the more traditional goal of sacrificing every day to live a life in Christ.

Those were the findings of the book "Holy Mavericks" by University of Houston associate sociology professor Shayne Lee and co-author Phillip Sinitiere. Lee says he has been fascinated with pastors like Osteen because of the high numbers they get through the door. Lakewood has around 40,000 members.

"They're not interested in giving you long messages about doctrinal statements," Lee said. "They want to give you simple messages that will make the person stronger and make them feel closer to God."

Lee argues the mega-church's message is consistent with the Bible because being happy and self-sacrifice are not mutually exclusive. Lee even compares Osteen's teaching directly to Jesus.

"Osteen's messages really are very similar to the way Jesus spoke to people," Lee said. "He is not seminary trained so he doesn't use that language. He's a free agent who's able to take empowering messages and take it to meet the needs of contemporary America."

Diverse crowds

Houston attorney Paul Bailiff, whose brother is a pastor at Second Baptist in Houston, admired the Osteens' ability to draw people from all walks of life.

"Joel Osteen gets the most diverse audience. I had a boss who used to say Sunday is the most segregated day but Osteen gets people going in there that are CEOs or who've got nothing, all different races, that's amazing, his father was the same," he said.

Noticeably excluded from Osteen's language is any mention of hell or sin, according to Einstein, the marketing writer and professor.

"Very rarely will you see Joel Osteen talk about hell, in the popular works he barely talks about Jesus and God, it's more about how you can feel good," said Einstein. "In terms of marketing, you want to tell people what they want to hear in order to get them through the door."

Einstein notes that happiness is the new buzz word in the world of messaging. "There's classes at Harvard about happiness, everywhere we turn it is happiness, happiness, happiness ... even Coca-Cola's tagline is 'Open Happiness.'"

It's highly effective, she added. "I'm Jewish and even I left there thinking 'yeah, praise the Lord,'" Einstein said.

Michael Horton, professor of theology at Westminster Seminary in California, says the Osteen message will not stand the test of time.

"You can get a lot of kids to whatever you're doing if you offer them a lot of candy, but pretty soon they're going to get sick and malnourished and not be your best long-term consumer," Horton said.

"What it comes down to is, is God a supporting character in my life movie or am I coming to church to hear how he has made a place for me in his?" Horton said, calling the Osteens' teaching narcissistic.

Response to criticism

Victoria Osteen has since clarified her comments in an email statement accusing her critics of being cynics.

"I stand by my point that when we worship God and are obedient to Him we will be better for it. I did not mean to imply that we don't worship God; that's ridiculous," the statement read. "Every Lakewood member knows what I was talking about because they have experienced first hand ... the honor, reverence and gratitude we show God."

Anglican church prepares to move into new home

By Steve Kuhlmann
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After years without a permanent home, St. Paul's Anglican Church will soon relocate to its newly built facility on "A" Street.

The oldest of the three remaining Anglican churches in Midland, St. Paul's changed locations several times since its founding in 1978. Most recently, the church met at what is now Providence Presbyterian Church on Princeton Avenue.

While it once owned the building, St. Paul's senior warden and long-time member James Henderson said that the church could no longer handle the size of the facility.

"We reached a point where we couldn't physically maintain it," Henderson said. "We were renting the parish hall to Providence Presbyterian, so we just sold it to them and sought out a lot to build a small place for ourselves."

Now, several delays and more than two years later, the congregation is nearly ready to move into its new home.

"It seemed like it was just impossible to get started, but we're in the final stages now; we're 99 percent complete," said Henderson, adding that the church is "tentatively scheduled to move in on (Sept. 22)."

The Rev. Charles Hageman — who has served at St. Paul's since 1987 — said that the move to a new, smaller building

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Inaugural Dance for Africa event to benefit vocational programs

By Steve Kuhlmann
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Africa Bridges of Hope, an organization co-founded by a Midland woman and her husband, helps the people of Uganda become more self-sufficient. But as with most nonprofits, they need funds. So Sarah Mugoya and her husband, Meddie Mugoya are turning to Midlanders for help.

Africa Bridges of Hope will host the inaugural Dance for Africa on Saturday. The event will benefit the organization's vocational programs in Uganda.

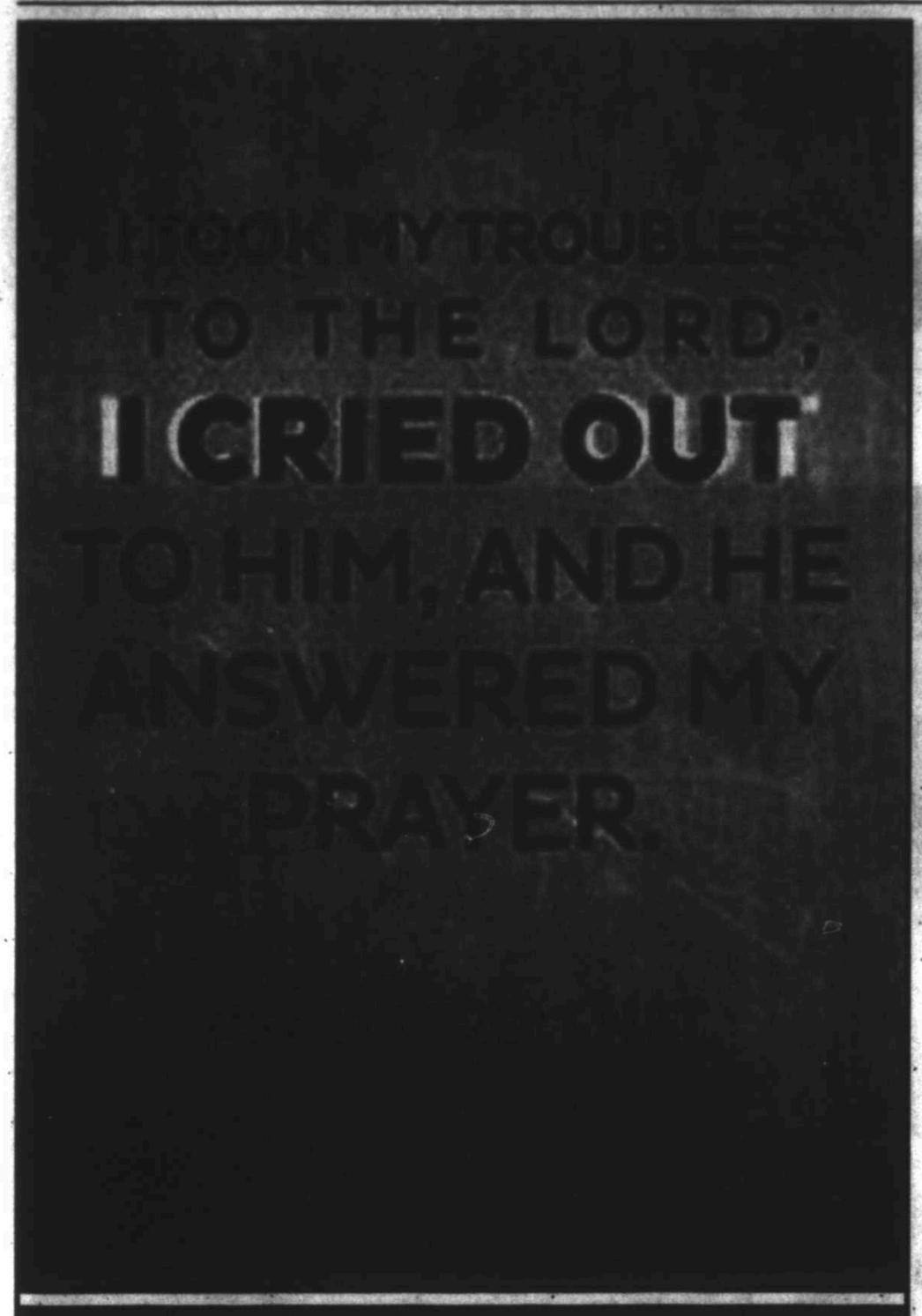
Founded seven years ago by the Mugoyas, Africa Bridges of Hope provides child sponsorship and community training programs as well as a vocational training center in Uganda. The organization primarily supports its programs by selling items made in the training center at the Midland farmer's market and through its facilitation of child sponsorships.

"We (teach) tailoring, sandal making, jewelry design, paper beading, sweater weaving and computer skills (at the center)," said Mary Jackson, Sarah Mugoya's sister and Africa Bridges of Hope employee. "They go through three to six months of training, depending on what they are learning; some things take longer."

While the organization started off with child sponsorship as the main focus, Jackson said that it has grown over the years to focus more on vocational training.

"One of the things that they

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432-683-1370

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432-520-4298

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432-684-4230

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432-683-4506

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432-488-8588

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432-550-5111

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432-694-1373

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3309 Neely
432-694-4517

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432-264-8976

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9541 W. 57th St., Odessa, TX
432-385-1212

St. Mark's United Methodist
1701 N. Main
432-683-3339

First United Methodist Church
Main & Ohio St.
432-682-3701

First United Methodist Church
600 N. Goldsmith St., Goldsmith, TX
432-385-1212

St. Luke's United Methodist Church
3011 W. Kansas
432-694-2571

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432-279-0198

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432-689-7284

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Midland
432-699-4513

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432-218-6412

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432-218-8595

Church of New Beginnings
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432-553-1400

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432-368-2500

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432-686-9468

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432-272-2544

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3300 Thomas Avenue
432-262-LIFE

Manna For Life Ministries
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432-221-4072

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432-522-1330

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432-563-0028

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432-686-8526

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4632 Conley Ave., Odessa, TX
432-978-1986

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432-262-5072

Church in the Wind
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432-556-2062

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1000 Upland
432-528-8541

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432-556-6638

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432-520-5371

Faith Country Church
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432-458-3580

Footprints Redemption Church
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432-664-9113

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Midland Center Room 3
866-544-7223

Harvest Time Church
8300 State Hwy. 191
432-563-5683

Heart of Worship Baptist Fellowship
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432-337-9372

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405 E. Stokes
432- 684-6541

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432-272-2544

New Day Christian Fellowship
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432-694-4233

New Harvest Fellowship
4010 NCR 1130
432-699-5621, 432-853-9830

Rock Fellowship Church
410 S. Pecos
432-685-3858

Salvation Army Church
3500 Park Lane
432-683-3614

Solid Rock Fellowship Outwest
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432-664-4279

St. Paul C.M.C. Church
409 S. Lee Street.
432-682-0010

Teen Challenge Services
6901 S. CR 1200
432-687-0348

Teen Flow Service
711 S. Main
432- 686-2525

Templo Jerusalem
1205 S. Belmont
432-683-4806

The World Wide Church of God Bible
1207 W. 10th St., Odessa, TX
432-381-8352

True Lite Christian Fellowship Church
3001 N. A St.
432-687-3077

Wings of Mighty Prophecy Church
5005 ECR 73, Midland
432-559-5018

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Currently meeting at St. Stephen's Catholic Church (Parish Hall Rooms 1&2), 4601 Neely, Midland, Texas For more information please call (432) 741-1040

Jesus Name United Pentecostal Church
3110 W. C.R. 116
432-694-8702

Lighthouse Pentecostal Church
200 N. Lincoln
432-682-7186

Templo Gloriosa Mañana
511 S. Stonewall
432-664-0803

The Pentecostals
5110 W. Illinois Ave
432-697-4007

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409 W. Pine
432-685-3919

First Presbyterian Church
800 W. Texas
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Grace Presbyterian Church
2801 N. Garfield
432-684-6542

Providence Presbyterian Church (PCA)
2900 Princeton
432-520-5255

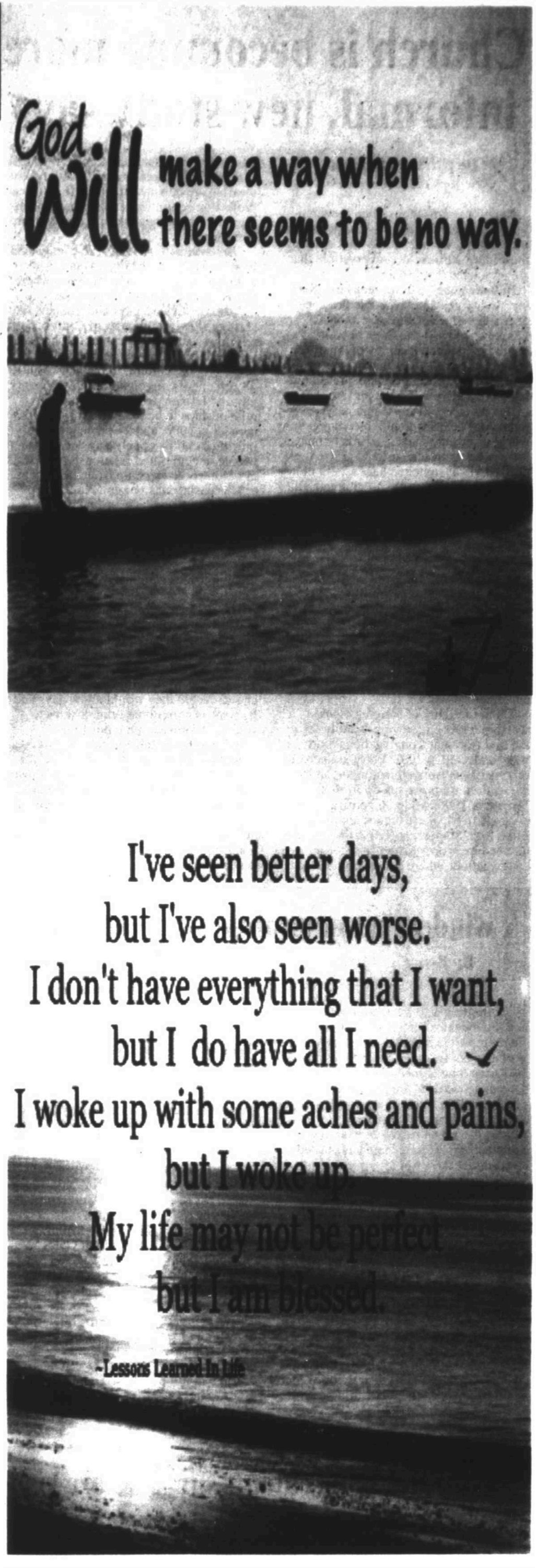
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110 W Pennsylvania
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4712 Shadylane
432-684-5490

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5711 Whitman
432-553-1053

Unitarian Universalist Church of Midland
3301 Neely
432-694-4308









Church is becoming more informal, new study says

By Michael Paulson
New York Times News Service

Religious institutions often see themselves as countercultural — outposts in an increasingly secular society that challenge the culture with views and practices that are no longer mainstream.

But inevitably, culture seeps in, affecting how clergy and laypeople dress and pray and behave toward one another.

A new study — the latest version of a regularly conducted survey of American congregations — finds that houses of worship, like the broader culture, are becoming increasingly informal, and increasingly open to gays and lesbians. More and more Americans worship in congregations where drums are played, words or images are projected on screens, and praise is expressed via upstretched hands. And more and more congregations — although still a minority — allow gays and lesbians to hold volunteer positions as leaders.

"Congregations are embedded in our culture and our society, and they are reflecting both the trends, but also the divisions and the conflicts," said Mark Chaves, the director of the study and a professor of sociology, religion and divinity at Duke University.

The third National Congregations Study is based on data collected in 2012 from interviews with leaders of 1,331 congregations: Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu and others.

The informality of congregational worship has been growing steadily since the first National Congregations Study was conducted in 1998. Forty-six percent of Americans worship in congregations where drums are played, up from 25 percent in 1998, while 56 percent are in congregations where organs are played, down from 70 percent. Fifty-nine percent of worshipers now attend services in congregations where hands are raised as an expression of praise — up from 48 percent in 1998. Choir-singing and vestment-wearing are down, while the use of visual projection equipment and the practice of jumping, shouting or dancing by worshippers are up.

"Behaviors associated with evangelical worship style are ticking up, and there is a shift of people to large churches where this is more common," Chaves said.

Attitudes toward gays and lesbians are shifting slowly, and unevenly, across the religious scene, as acceptance of homosexuality and same-sex marriage increases in the broader culture. In the new results, 48 percent of congregations allow openly gay and lesbian people in committed relationships to be members, up from 37 percent in 2006, and 27 percent of congregations allow openly gay and lesbian people in committed relationships to serve as volunteer leaders, up from 18 percent.

This easing was not uniform. Acceptance of gays and lesbians in committed relationships has declined in Roman Catholic churches. The reason is not clear, but the rise of same-sex marriage has prompted some Catholic institutions to fire employees who marry partners of the same gender.

The study also finds that although gays and lesbians in committed relationships are increasingly admitted as members in evangelical Protestant churches, they are rarely allowed to serve as leaders — only 4 percent of white, conservative Protestant churches said they would allow gays and lesbians in committed relationships to volunteer for leadership positions.

A few other notable trends in congregational life: Diversity is rising, as the number of all-white congregations goes down; average congregational size is falling, as more Americans leave smaller congregations for larger ones; and an increasing number of congregations (24 percent) are not affiliated with any religious denomination.

A window into morality via text message

By Benedict Carey
New York Times News Service

Committing a small act of kindness, like holding the door for a harried stranger, often prompts the recipient to extend a hand to others, but it comes at a cost, psychologists have long argued. People who've done the good deed are primed to commit a rude one later on, as if drawing on moral credit from their previous act.

Now, in a novel survey of everyday moral behavior, researchers have tested whether that theory holds up in real life. It does, although the effects appear small.

The findings come from a survey of everyday morality in which researchers tracked people's moral judgments and attitudes at regular intervals throughout a typical day, using text messages. Previous research on moral behavior had been confined mostly to the laboratory, with subjects making hypothetical, life-or-death decisions that they would never encounter in daily life.

The new paper, published in the journal Science on Thursday, not only gives psychologists a way to test their theories of moral behavior in the real world but also provides a rough idea of just what constitutes the moral content of a random day.

"This paper is a great example of how we can drill down and study micromorality, all those judgments we make in daily life, about how people treat each other, about how we size up other people in the moment and size up ourselves," said Brian Nosek of the University of Virginia, who was not involved in the research.

Nosek and other experts who did not work on the study cautioned that it provides more a rough draft of daily moral life than a detailed script; its findings are still tentative.

"But it shows what kind of insights can be obtained by studying events in their natural, spontaneous context," said Harry Reis, a psychologist at the University of Rochester.

A research team led by Wilhelm Hofmann of the University of Cologne recruited 1,252 people who agreed to respond to text messages asking about "good" and "bad" incidents they experienced firsthand, witnessed or heard about. The texts pinged participants' phones five times a day for three days, about once every couple of hours.

Each message asked if something good or bad had just occurred, and if so, what it was, who was responsible and how bad or good it was. The recipients generally replied within minutes.

Selfies with pope cutouts surge before visit

Associated Press

MANILA — In Asia's bastion of Roman Catholic faith, images of Pope Francis are getting the pop star treatment.

A church-run radio station in the Philippines is distributing life-size cardboard cutouts of the pope to generate "papal fever" among selfie-loving Filipinos before the pope's visit in January.

At the SM Mall of Asia, students, families and other shoppers on Wednesday snapped pictures of themselves beside the papal standee.

"When I saw the picture ... he seemed alive, it's very nice," said Rosalima Magala, who had her picture taken beside the papal standee at the Mall of Asia. A 36-year-old government employee from central Cebu City, Magala was named after St. Rose of Lima and said she hopes to see Pope Francis in person during his visit.

Another mall visitor, Arnel Ocay, a college teacher from northern Pangasinan province, said the pope's trip is a big event for Catholics and he will be among those who will participate.

Rev. Anton Pascual, president of Radio Veritas, said via text that the standees were part of an effort to spread the message of mercy and compassion.

The first cardboard cutouts were sent to churches, schools and malls in the capital, and more will be printed to distribute around the country.

Pope Francis is scheduled to visit the Philippines on Jan. 15-19 and is expected to meet survivors of Typhoon Haiyan, which killed 6,300 people and left 1,061 missing last year.

Obituaries



Ivan E. Pruiett

"I thank my God upon every remembrance of you." Philippians 1:3.

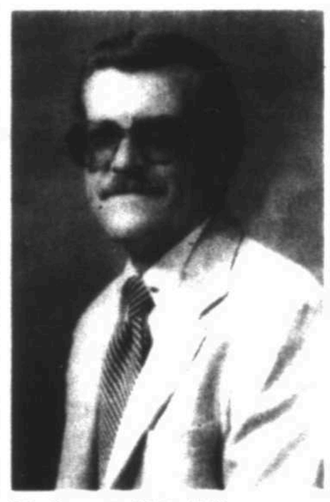
We lost our brother, our father, our son, our forever Uncle Sonny.

Ivan E. Pruiett was born on March 5, 1928, passed away at his home in Midland, on August 25, 2014. Many loved him and our family will forever cherish him dearly. He made his living by being a very skilled mason who spent his life building others dreams by laying brick and stone for their homes.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Walter and MArtha Pruiett; his sisters, Jo Ann Pruiett; his brother, Jr. Pruiett and his wife, Virginia Pruiett who went to the Lord in 2009.

He is survived by his son, Henry E. Hunsinger and wife, Sherolyn of Dallas, TX; his sisters, Patsy Vieregge of Midland, TX, Ila Pruiett of Midland, TX, Wanda Cheek of Azle, Texas, Delma Adams of Achille, OK, Jewel Warner of Spiro, OK, Luddie Williams of Dayton, TX; brothers, Alton Pruiett of Pickton, TX and LC Pruiett of Sulphur Springs, TX; and a host of grandchildren, nieces, and nephews.

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Services are under the direction of Jackie Warren Funeral Home.



Robert "Bob" James Mack

Robert "Bob" James Mack, 79, of Midland, Texas, passed away September 8, 2014.

Robert James Mack was born in Killarney, Ireland, on January 3, 1935, to Treversie and Anna Mack.

He graduated from Richburg Central School and joined the United States Navy immediately after. Robert was married to Merrilyn Anne Mack on December 30, 1980, in Espanola, New Mexico.

Robert honorably served his country in the United States Navy for 24 years, and Retired as a Master Chief Petty Officer Hospital Corpsman. His service included: Bravo Company, 3rd Medical Battalion, 1st Marine Brigade(FMF), Marine Air Base Squadron 43 (FMF), Marine Fighter Squadron 232 (FMF), and U.S. Naval Hospital (NNMC Bethesda, Maryland) After the Navy he went on to work as a Respiratory Therapist and Cardio Pulmonary Technician.

He loved to paint oil based landscapes, fishing, and home renovation projects. He took pride in everything he did, and had a smile that would light up the room. His quick wit and sense of humor was sure to make everyone laugh in any situation. Robert saw the good in everyone and was always willing to lend a helping hand. Gone but not forgotten, his legacy will live on through his wife and children.

Robert is survived by his wife, Merrilyn; his sons, Chris, John, and Michael; his daughter, Michelle; and other family and friends.

Visitation will be held at 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sunday, September 14, 2014, at Ellis Funeral Home.

The funeral Service will be held at St. Luke's United Methodist Church on Monday, September 15, 2014, at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. Dennis Bade officiating. Burial and VFW Honor Guard ceremony will follow at Fairview Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be donated to St. Luke's United Methodist Church.

The family of Robert James Mack wishes to thank St. Luke's UMC, The United States Navy, VFW Honor Guard and The Patriot Guard of Midland/ Odessa.

Condolences may be offered at *www.ellisfunerals.com.*

Midland Reporter-Telegram

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Toy Yuen Joe

Toy Yuen Joe, 100, peacefully passed away Monday, September 8, 2014.

She is survived by her sons, Howard, David, and Emerson and their respective families; and daughter, Kay and her family.

Toy was predeceased by Chung Joe, her loving husband.

Funeral services will be held at Ellis Funeral Home located at 801 Andrews Hwy, Midland, Texas, 79701 on Saturday, September 13, 2014, at 11:00 a.m.

Death Notices

Bill B. Tune

Bill B. Tune, 88, of Big Spring, died Thursday, September 11, 2014, in a local nursing home.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, September 13, 2014, at the First United Methodist Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

The family will receive friends Saturday in the Garrett Hall at First United Methodist Church from 1:00 p.m. until service time.

Bill is survived by his wife, Mary Tune; daughter, Linda Conway; and son, Tommy Tune.

Iris Caldwell Tubb

Iris Caldwell Tubb, 92, of Midland passed away on Thursday, September 11, 2014.

A visitation will be held from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be on Monday, September 15, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints-Gateway. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

Iris is survived by one son; and two daughters.

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DANCE

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learned was that it's easy to make people dependent on you instead of making people independent," Jackson said. "From that, the organization has progressed into this vocational training because that's the most practical way to help a person to become self-supporting in their own country."

The Dance for Africa event will be the first in what Jackson said could be an annual event to grow the organization's presence and programs in Uganda.

"It takes $60,000 per year to keep our vocational training running," said Jackson, adding that while the organization has already acquired land in Uganda where it hopes to build a new facility, it has not yet been able to accrue the necessary funding.

"We haven't been able to build on it yet because we haven't made enough extra money. It's because all we've been trying to do is keep ends meeting instead of making the money that will let us do more."

Jackson said that she hopes all of that will change with the addition of events such as Dance for Africa.

The event will include a 30-minute dance performance featuring a Congolese dance by Meddie Mugoya, an Irish jig featuring Jackson, a hula dance and belly dance, among others. In addition, the event will also include a catered dinner from Catering Express and a performance by the local band, Unsweet Ts. Those in attendance will have ample opportunity to show off their own dance moves on an open dance floor.

Want to go?

Dance for Africa, a benefit for vocational training programs in Uganda. 7 p.m. Saturday in the Gloria Denman Ballroom of St. Stephen's Church. Tickets begin at $100; up to 20 tickets will be available on the night of the event. To reserve a ticket or for more information visit africasbridgesofhope.org or contact Mary Jackson at maryhermann27@gmail.com.

EVENTSCALENDAR

FROM STAFF REPORTS

TODAY

Fair and Expo Permian Basin Fair and Exposition through Saturday at the Ector County Coliseum. permianbasinfair.com

SATURDAY

Women Pre-Women's Celebration starting at 8:30 a.m. at Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church featuring breakfast, games, speakers and crafts. 688-4472

Race American Cancer Society Relay for Life, 6 p.m.-midnight at Midland College. relayforlife.org/midlandtx.

Benefit Dance for Africa, 7-11 p.m. at St. Stephen's Catholic Church Gloria Denman Ballroom. africanbridgesofhope.org.

SUNDAY

Classes Sunday morning education hour for children, youth and adults, 9 a.m. at The Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity. 683-4207.

Children's service First Methodist Midland begins "Storytime" services for children at 9:30 a.m. featuring "The Story" Bible adaption from Zondervan. 682-3721 or firstmethodistmidland.com

Speaker Betty Lathan will speak during the 11 a.m. service at Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church. 688-4472

TUESDAY

Bible study Weekly Bible study Tuesday mornings on the Book of Acts at 9:30 a.m. at Northwestern Babptist Church. 689-0612

Assistance Program Casa de Amigos and the Texas Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services offer free Specialized Telecommunications Assistance Program to hearing, vision, cognitive or mobility impaired at 2 p.m. at Casa de Amigos. 682-9701.

WEDNESDAY

Presentation Lorrie Lindgren, CEO of Thrive, an international ministry, 7 p.m. at Stonegate Fellowship Building B. 694-5100 or visit www.thriveministry.org.

THURSDAY

Football registration Stonegate Fellowship Flag Football League registration deadline, Thursday. Season begins Oct. 4. 770-2202.

COMING SOON

Classes Sunday morning education hour for children, youth and adults, 9 a.m. Sunday at The Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity. 683-4207.

Ride American Legion Riders Post 119 John G. Hyde Memorial Ride for a Cure for Cancer, 11 a.m. Sept. 20 at DoubleTree by Hilton. 559-8713.

Women's conference The Women's Ministry of Macedonia Babptist Church will hold its Women's Weekend 2014 Sept. 20-21. mbcmidland.org.

Dinner Murder Mystery Dinner for PDAP, 7 p.m. Sept. 25 at Midland Country Club. 685-3645.

MOVE

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will better serve the church's "very small" congregation.

"If I counted those who are unable to make it because of age, I'd say there are less than 20," Hageman said. "We've had larger congregations, but being what it is, people come and go. We are greatly diminished from what we once were. We haven't grown much the last year or two, and we should have opportunities now that we didn't have before."

Hageman said that he hopes the church's new location can re-energize the church and draw in new members.

"We see that location as fairly high-profile, it's a major street and it's kind of up on a hill," Henderson said. "A lot of people are going to see us where they couldn't in the other location."

The next step, Hageman said, is to create a website for the church.

"We've never had a web page," Hageman said. "Now I am in the process of getting a web page so that we can share what our mission is."

The church faces an added obstacle however. The staff — Hageman included — are volunteers, spending the rest of the week "working for a living," Hageman said.

"Maybe one of these days we'll be able to pay for an organist," Henderson said. "We'll just have to see."

Weather permitting, St. Paul's new facility will be one step closer to completion with the raising of its steeple this morning.

The church is expected to hold its first service at 10:30 a.m. Oct. 5.

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KOSA	CBS 7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	48 Hours (N)		Hawaii Five-0 "Akaulele"		Blue Bloods "Above and Beyond"		CBS 7 News	(:35) David Letterman	(:35) Craig Ferguson	
KWWT	CW 5	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	A. Griffith	A. Griffith	Hogan's Heroes	Gilligan's Island	The Odd Couple	The Odd Couple	Cheers	P. Mason "The Case of the Deadly Toy"		Adam 12
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HBO	300	68	14	14		(3:45)	King Kong		The Leftovers		Bill Maher (L)		Bill Maher (N)		Bill Maher			Bill Maher: From DC
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(:15)	Kick-Ass 2				The Hangover Part III			(:45) Katt Williams		Bayless		2 Guns
HBOS	304	70	16	102		(3:15)	The Truth A...		Wire "One Arrest"		The Host (13, Com) Sandra Bullock.				Boardwalk Empire			Mama
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(3:45)	Austin Po...		(:15) The Legend of Hercules Kellan Lutz.		The Knick (N)				The Knick	(:50) Guide	(:15) Guide	(:45) Knick
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PLEX			96			(3:15)	She Devil		Forget Paris			(:45)	Year of the Comet			(:20)	Canvas Joe Pantoliano.	
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	60 Minutes Sports			Masters of Sex		Adult World Emma Roberts.			(:35)	Dark Skies		(:15) Masters of Sex	
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(3:30)	A Walk on ...		(:20) The Words Bradley Cooper.				The Canyons Lindsay Lohan.			(:40)	Sex Door Neighbors	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Criminal Minds "Carbon Copy"			Criminal Minds "The Gathering"		Criminal Minds "Restoration"		Criminal Minds "Pay It Forward"		Criminal Minds "Alchemy"		Criminal Minds "The Gathering"	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(4:30)	The Fast & ...		Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines						Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines			
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BRAVO	65	63		41		Million Dollar List			To Be Announced		To Be Announced						To Be Announced	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	American Greed			Cocaine Cowbo...		Colorado Pot Rush		The Car Chasers		The Car Chasers		The Car Chasers	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront			A. Cooper 360		A. Bourdain "Detroit"		Spotlight	Unguard	Death Row Stories		A. Bourdain "Detroit"	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Sea Gold "Gold Luck"			Dredged Up (N)		Bering Sea Gold (N)		Airplane Repo (N)		Bering Sea Gold	(:05)	Airplane Repo	
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ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	(3:00)	SpnCtr	Football C.	NCAA Football Baylor vs. Buffalo (L)						SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	(3:30)	NASCAR Racing		WNBA Basketball Playoffs (L)					SportsC.	NHRA Drag Racing		Baseball Tonight (L)	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(3:30)	Matilda				The Goonies ('85, Adv) Sean Astin.				The 700 Club		Home Alone 3	
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	99	27	68	54	Diners...	Diners, Dr.		Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Eat USA	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...
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FX	31	31	59	64	69	(4:30)	The Proposal				We Bought a Zoo ('11, Com/Dra) Matt Damon.				We Bought a Zoo ('11, Com/Dra) Matt Damon.			
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HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Love It or List It, Too			Love It or List It, Too		Love It/ List It (N)		HouseH	House (N)	HouseH	House	Love It or List It, Too	
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Pickers "Off the Road"			American Pickers		American Pickers		Pickers "Rocket Man"		(:05) Pickers		American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	(5:00)	To Be Announced		The Brittany Murphy Story (2014, Biography)						The Brittany Murphy Story (2014, Biography)		The Brittany Murphy Story	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball			All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		MSNBCDocumentary		MSNBCDocumentary		MSNBCDocumentary	
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NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Sam Cat	Drake		Ninja (N)	Ninja	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops		Cops	Cops	Bellator MMA (N)				(:15) Cops	(:25) Cops	Cops	Jail
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(5:00)	Zombie Ap...		WWE Smackdown! (N)				Z Nation (N)		Spartacus "Mission"		(:05) Z Nation	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Big Bang Theory	Mom		Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy			Blades of Glory (2007, Comedy) Jon Heder, Will Ferrell.		Get Smart ('08, Com) Steve Carell.	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:30)	Red Headed...		Red Dust				Design For Living		(:15) Trouble in Paradise		Movie	
TELE	20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado			Reina de Corazones		En otra piel				El señor de los cielos		Al rojo	(:35) Titular.	En otra piel	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Somethin g Borrow	Something Borrowed		19 Kids & Count	19 Kids & Count	Weddings "... and an Aircraft Carrier" (N)				Four Weddings "... and Halted Vows"		Four Weddings "... and an Aircraft Carrier"	(:05) Four Weddings "... and Halted Vows"
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Supernatural "Houses of the Holy"			The Replacements Replacements are brought in to substitute for a team of striking football players.						Legends "Rogue"		Franklin & Bash "Deep Throat"	Zombie...
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Hillbillies	Hillbillies		Hillbillies	(:35) Hot In	Queens	Queens	(:25) King of	Queens	Queens	(:35) Ray	(:10) Ray	(:50) Ray
USA	26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Brotherhood"			Modern Family	Modern "Hawaii"	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Modern Family	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Taboo"	
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Survey: Congregations more accepting of gays

Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Overall acceptance of gays and lesbians in U.S. religious congregations rose significantly between 2006 and 2012, but it declined in Catholic congregations, according to new data released Thursday.

Duke University's National Congregations Study is derived from interviews with representatives — usually clergy — of 1,331 U.S. churches, mosques, temples, synagogues and other houses of worship.

Overall, the study found acceptance of gay and lesbian members in American congregations increased from 37 percent to 48 percent over the six-year period. Acceptance of gays and lesbians as volunteer leaders increased from 18 percent to 26 percent.

Growth was especially strong among black Protestant churches, white liberal Protestant churches and non-Christian congregations.

Carl Greene has lived through those changes as the openly gay leader of St. Mark's Church in Chattanooga, Tennessee. St. Mark's is part of the United Methodist Church, whose official position is that homosexuality is incompatible with Christian teaching.

Because he is gay, Greene is not allowed to be ordained, although he is a certified lay minister and leads his church with the blessing of local Methodist authorities.

When he took over the church in 2012, it had declined to about 20 members and was on the verge of closing. Today, it has about 150 members, both gay and straight. Greene said many people come to the church because of that diversity.

"I always hear, 'We want our children to see the way the kingdom of God should look like,'" he said.

The study also found that acceptance of gay and lesbian members in white conservative Protestant churches increased from 16 percent to 24 percent during the period covered by the survey. Their acceptance of gay and lesbian volunteers was unchanged at 4 percent, however.

Russell Moore is president of the Southern Baptist Convention's public policy arm, the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission. While Southern Baptist Churches are independent, they subscribe to a statement of faith that says homosexuality is immoral. Because of this, Moore said, gays and lesbians who are not celibate should be welcome to worship in Southern Baptist churches but not admitted as members.

If a pastor came to him for advice on the matter, Moore said he would counsel, "Be loving and kind, but also be truthful."

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FROM STAFF REPORTS

First Methodist starts children's program

First Methodist Midland is starting children's Sunday Storytime services at 9:30 a.m. Sunday as a way to increase biblical literacy. The children's ministry is using "The Story" to teach children about the Bible.

The 31-chapter book is written like a novel and incorporates Scriptures, according to a press release from the church. Donna Fields, director of the children's ministry, said the Storytime program will use drama, art, science, cooking, music, games and video.

Stonegate to host ministry CEO

Stonegate Fellowship is partnering with the international ministry, Thrive, whose mission is to encourage and empower missionary women. The ministry's CEO, Lorrie Lindgren, will speaking 7 p.m. Wednesday at Stonegate's Building B.

She will discuss the challenges faced by female missionaries. For more information, call 694-5100 or visit www.thriveministry.org.

Mount Calvary sets women's weekend

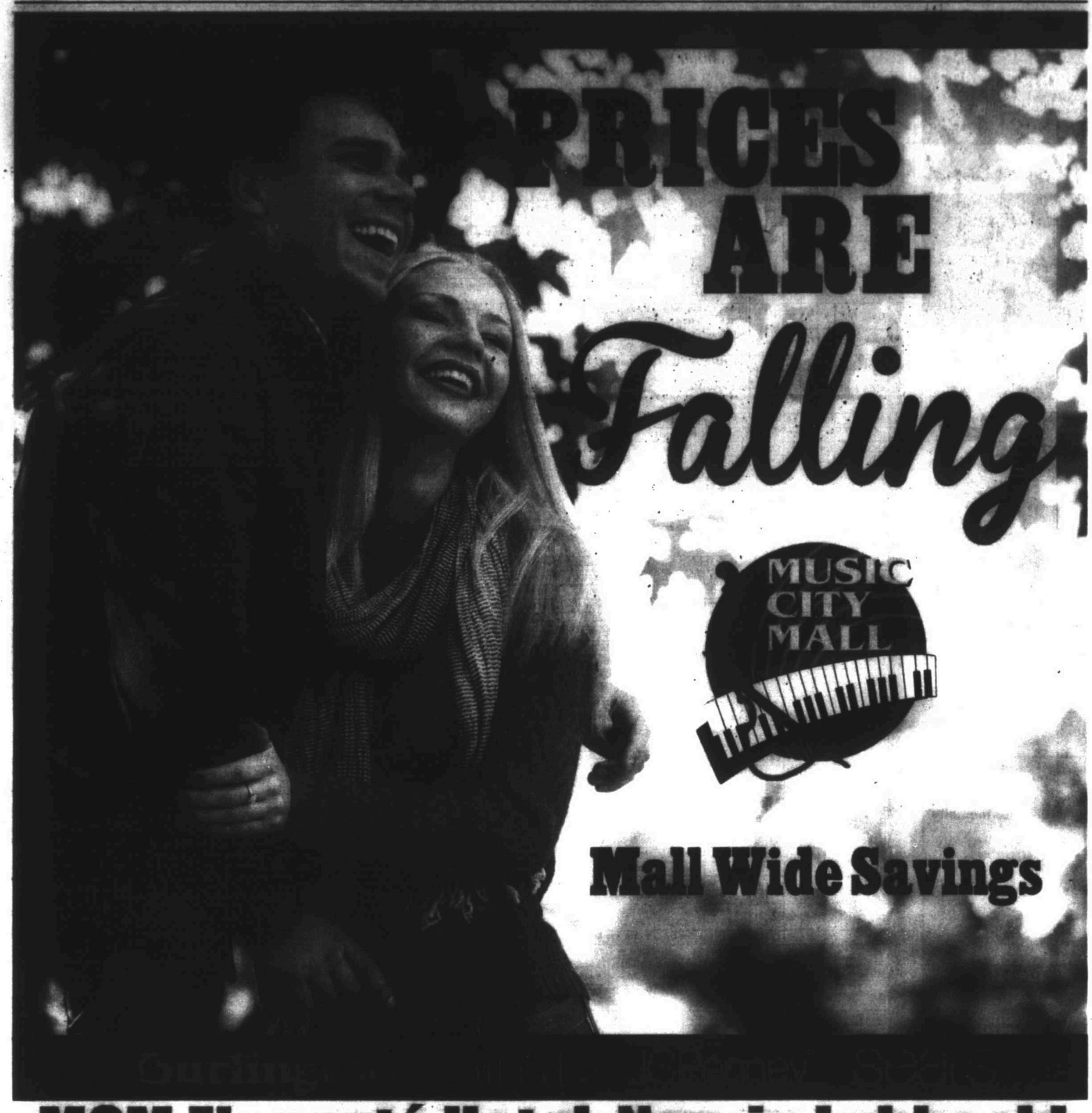
Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church's annual women's celebration is this weekend.

The event begins at 8:30 a.m. Saturday with breakfast, speakers, games and crafts, and continues with lunch at 1 p.m. at Clear Springs Cafe.

Betty Lathan will speak at the services set for 11 a.m. Sunday.

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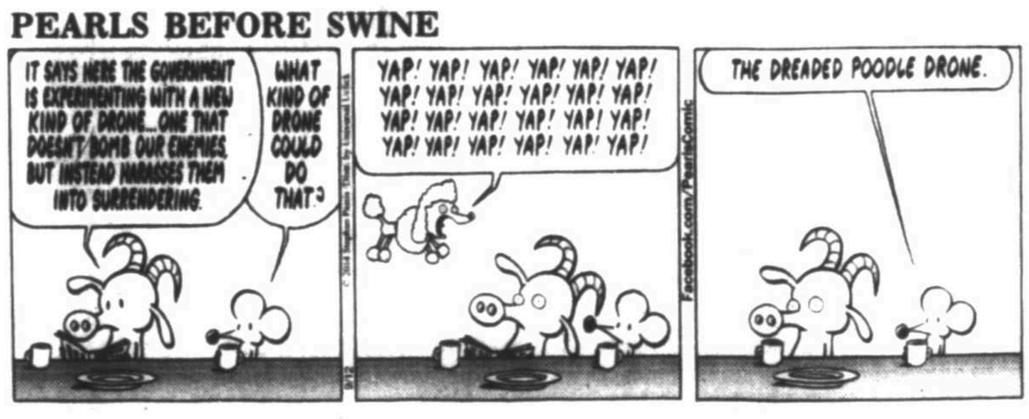
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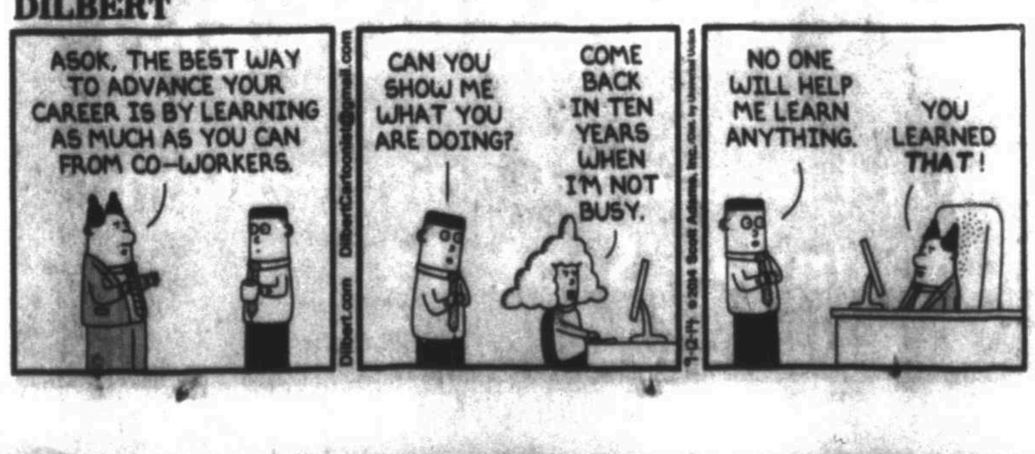
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Sneak Preview

WATER SOFTENER/R.O. COMPANY

Culligan of West Texas



The unique taste, feel and quality of West Texas water is one of the first things many new Midlanders notice. The experts at Culligan of West Texas are accustomed to helping home and business owners develop a water purification system that provides thoroughly clean, clear and refreshing Culligan water.

"We live in an area that calls for special needs and we do our best to educate residents about their options," said Culligan's Operations Manager Scott White. "We've dealt with this for more than 75 years and we're trusted experts."

A full-service company that provides water softeners, filtration systems, and bottled water delivery, Culligan can help all customers achieve their desired end goal.

"Water is so complex and the market for purification is complex, but we can bring equipment into your home that will improve your quality of life," said Culligan's Residential Sales Manager Pat Fisher.

With more than 75 years of experience providing clean, purified water, Culligan was the readers' choice for best water softener/R.O. company.

"Receipt of the Readers' Choice award is a huge honor and validates the hard work of Culligan West Texas' 35 employees," Fisher said.

"We feel like we're doing what we should when we get voted the best. We want it to be given to us because we're doing a good job," White said. "We want the reputation for being the best and taking care of customers."

Culligan sells and rents equipment to residential, commercial, and industrial customers.



"We are a one-stop shop. We will install, maintain, and service equipment if that's what you would like," White said. "Our customers are not forgotten after the sale."

Culligan of West Texas works hard to provide every customer with a high quality product at a reasonable cost. The service company strives to be punctual and to complete jobs with ease for the customer.

If you go out to eat in Midland or Odessa, there's a high likelihood you're drinking water purified by Culligan of West Texas.



"Culligan currently provides R.O. Water to more than 70 percent of area eateries," White said.

Culligan's patented purification technology can be customized to lessen impurities like aesthetic chlorine, lead, radium and cysts from your drinking water.

"Just because it's water does not make it safe or recommended for use," White said. "Whether they use us or another lab, we recommend everyone know what is in their water, and treat it to be safe and usable for their industry."

White doesn't want to scare or worry people, but said it's important to know what is in your water.

"Good water should be used in all industries. Some may discount it, but clean water makes your equipment last longer, your cars stay shinier, and your products last longer," White said.

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A guide to toppling Texas titan Southlake Carroll

By Chris Hummer
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In a landscape of high school powers in Texas, Southlake Carroll is a titan. The Dragons' eight state championships are tied for the most in Texas history, with all eight coming since 1988.

To say the Dragons are dominant might actually sell the program's success short. Southlake Carroll's last state championship came in 2011, but in the last three years combined, Carroll has lost just four games — twice to Allen, once to DeSoto and once to Euless Trinity.

Carroll employs a prolific spread attack on offense that consistently torches opponents while featuring a base 4-3 defense that frustrates offenses with precision. Add to that the school's consistently quality athletes, and the formula has spurred the Dragons to a 171-23 record since 2000.

It's that legacy and aura that will enter Midland today to face Lee, which holds three state titles itself.

But unlike Carroll, the Rebels have not sustained success following its trio of state championships. So how do the Rebels, twice blowout victims of Carroll last season, stop the Dragons?

There is no set formula, but the Midland Reporter Telegram spoke to coaches from DeSoto, Euless Trinity and Allen in search of the winning method, and came up with a plan to topple Carroll.

The game

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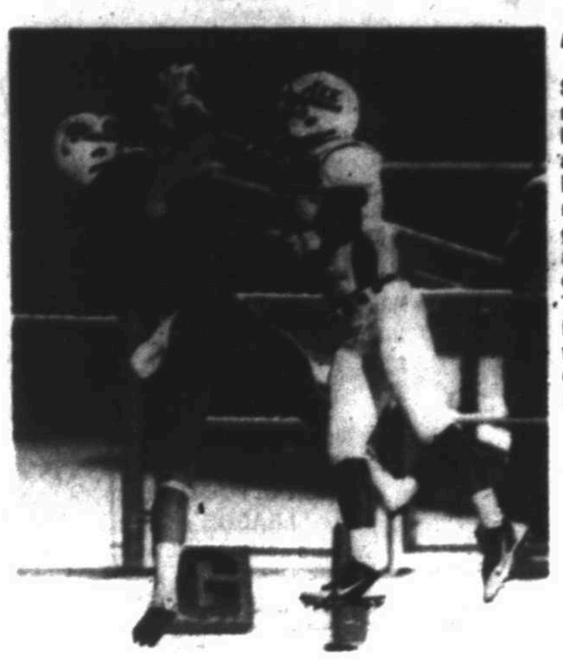
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Against Carroll's offense

The Dragons' base offense is tepid yet explosive. Carroll employs a spread-shotgun system that depends on running a reduced number of base plays, but performing each consistently to perfection.

It also doesn't hurt that the Dragons' offense consistently features

Please see **LEE**/6C



MRT file photo

Southlake Carroll's Luke Timian, left, tries to haul in a pass in front of Lee's Juwan Lee, right, during their game last season at Dragon Stadium in Southlake. The Rebels and Dragons play today at Grande Communications Stadium.

Meeting their match



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland Christian's Simeon Mayberry (22) turns the ball over while being hit by Calvary Baptist's Chanse Sylvie on Thursday at Jerry Barker Stadium in Shreveport, La. Calvary beat Midland Christian, 43-17.

Mustangs get handed first lost since 2012

By Len Hayward
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SHREVEPORT, La. — Midland Christian ran into a team Thursday night that not only had the home-field advantage of the hot, humid Louisiana air, but also a squad that matched the Mustangs in intensity and explosiveness.

Midland Christian didn't help its cause with an uncharacteristic six turnovers.

Cavaliers	43
Mustangs	17

And against a Cavalry Baptist quarterback with scholarship offers from nearly every top Division 1 school in the country, they proved costly.

Led by blue chip junior quarterback Shea Patterson, a Texas native, and a ball-hawking defense the Cavaliers scored five of its seven touchdowns after turnovers to roll to a 43-17 victory against Midland Christian at Jerry Barker Stadium.

The loss ended a 27-game winning streak for Midland Christian that dated back to early September of 2012.

"I thought we were ready, but we just didn't execute," said senior running back and linebacker Justin Fender, who rushed for 64 yards on 18 carries. "We just didn't execute. We practiced really well this week. (At halftime), I knew we were

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Bulldog QB Goodrum spreading the ball around

By Len Hayward
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The Midland High offense strives for balance each week, and even within that game plan the Bulldogs look for balance in their passing game.

After two games, Bulldogs quarterback Ryan Goodrum has not had a true favorite receiver. But that's just fine with Goodrum, the receivers and Midland High coach Craig Yenzer.



Goodrum



Abney

The Bulldogs have had 10 different receivers catch passes this season, and every one from tight ends to wide receivers to running backs have had their hands on the ball.

It's a trend that everyone involved on the offense wants to continue, and it's something that could give defensive coordinators headaches.

"All of our receivers are taught to work hard because the quarterback may have a read and that read may not be there," said tight end Trevor Abney, who leads the team with six catches. "He could come back to you, and no matter what as a receiver you run your route as hard as you can."

That work ethic is something that

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Rangers treat loss to Brownfield as opportunity to learn

By Oscar LeRoy
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Greenwood senior defensive end and fullback Brandon Fader said last week's loss to Brownfield was a humbling experience.

Coming off a comeback victory against Seminole in the season opener, the Rangers felt pretty good about themselves heading into the showdown with the Cubs.

But on a rainy night in Brownfield, nothing seemed to go right for the Rangers as eight turnovers contributed to a 21-6 loss.

"I think we overlooked them," said Fader of the Cubs. "We learned to always be humble no matter who the opponent is. We definitely can't have mental mistakes this week, and we have to keep our eye on the ball."

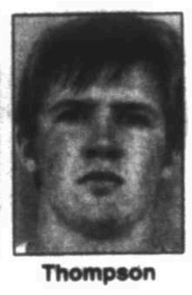
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Fader



Thompson

Shallowater (1-0) is the kind of team that the Rangers (1-1) can't afford to overlook this week; the Mustangs have been one of the better programs on the South Plains the last few years. The Mustangs have also beaten Greenwood the last three years by an average margin 30.6 points a game.

Greenwood coach Shad Hanna said the Mustangs lost quite a few players to graduation from last year's squad — such as bruising running back Jarek Black — that defeated the Rangers 63-27, but added that that Shallowater is still a formidable opponent.

"They've got a lot of team speed," Hanna said. "They're not like they were last year, maybe not as big as they were last year but they're still a dang good football team. We're going to have to play great defense to shut them down, and then on offense we're going to have to hang on to the football and put it in the end zone. We've got to play a complete ballgame in order to win that one."

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WHAT'S ON TV

BOXING

Luis Ortiz vs. Lateef Kayode, 9 p.m., FS1/FOXDEP

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Louisiana Tech at North Texas, 7 p.m., CBSSN

Houston at BYU, 8 p.m., ESPN

FIBA WORLD CUP

Semifinal No. 2, 2 p.m., ESPN/ESPN3DEP

GOLF

LPGA, Evian Championship, First Round, 6:30 a.m., GOLF

PGA, Tour Championship, Noon, GOLF

Web.com, Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship, First Round, 5:30 p.m., GOLF

European PGA, KLM Open, Second Round, 4:30 a.m., GOLF

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Bergen Catholic (N.J.) at St. Peter's (N.J.), 5 p.m., ESPNU

Sam Houston (La.) at Washington-Marion, 6:30 p.m., FCSA

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Cardinals at Reds, 11:30 a.m., MLB

Rays at Yankees, 6 p.m., MLB

Angels at Rangers, 7 p.m., FSSW

MEN'S SOCCER

Brazil, Atletico MG at Corinthians, 5:30 p.m., GolTV

Copa Sudamericana, Club Libertad at Barcelona SC, 7 p.m., FOXDEP

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Steelers at Ravens, 6:45 p.m., CBS/NFL

RUGBY

Super League, Warrington at Wigan, 2 p.m., FOXSOCP

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

USA Red/ White Game, 6 p.m., ESPN2

WOMEN'S COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Incarnate Word at Texas Tech, 6 p.m., FSSWP/FCSP

Arkansas-Little Rock at Oklahoma, 7 p.m., FCSC

Texas A&M at USC, 10 p.m., P12/P12 BAY/P12 LA

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Northwestern at Nebraska, 2:30 p.m., BTN

WHAT'S ON RADIO

HS FOOTBALL

Midland High at Hurst L.D. Bell, 7:30 p.m. KCRS (550 AM)

Southlake Carroll at Lee, 7:30 p.m., KNFM (92.3 FM)

Amarillo Tascosa at Odessa High, 7:30 p.m., KMCM (96.9 FM), Odessa

Odessa Permian at El Paso Americas, 8 p.m., KICKS (99.1 FM), Odessa

WHAT'S ON DECK

TODAY

HS FOOTBALL

Southlake Carroll at Lee, 7:30 p.m.
Midland High at Hurst L.D. Bell, 7:30 p.m.
Abilene Cooper vs. Abilene High, 7:30 p.m.
El Paso Franklin vs. San Angelo Central, 7 p.m., Hobbs, N.M.
Amarillo Tascosa at Odessa High, 7:30 p.m.
Odessa Permian at El Paso Americas, 8 p.m.
Levelland at Andrews, 7:30 p.m.
Shallowater at Greenwood, 7:30 p.m.
Coahoma at Reagan County, 7:30 p.m.
Stanton at Forsan, 7:30 p.m.
Rankin at Borden County, 7:30 p.m.
Lubbock Kingdom Prep at Grady, 7:30 p.m.
Garden City at Sterling City, 7:30 p.m.
Grandfalls-Royalty at Trinity, 7:30 p.m.

HS VOLLEYBALL

Amarillo High at Midland High, 5 p.m.
Grapevine Faith at Midland Christian, 7 p.m.
Midland Classical at Denver City, 5 p.m.

HS TENNIS

PERMIAN FRESHMEN CLIP GREENWOOD

The Odessa Permian freshmen tennis team barley slipped by Greenwood in a match Wednesday. The final score was 10-9.

Greenwood swept the boys single portion of the events, but Odessa Permian won five out of the six girls singles matches. Odessa Permian pulled away in the double portion of the match, winning five out of the seven matches.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

Major League Baseball

MLB — Suspended Tampa Bay minor league RHP Lenny Linsky (Montgomery-SL) and free agent minor league RHP Aaron Gonzales 50 games each following a second positive test for a drug of abuse, a violation of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program. Frontier League

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS MINERS — Sold the contract of RHP Britt Rodenshaw to the Atlanta Braves

FOOTBALL

National Football League

CHICAGO BEARS — Signed WR Chris Williams to the practice squad. Terminated the practice squad contract of LB DeDe Lattimore

NEW YORK JETS — Waived CB Leon McFadden

Canadian Football League

CFL — Fined Edmonton DB Patrick Watkins an undisclosed amount for making offensive and inappropriate comments directed towards an opponent during a Sept. 6 game against Calgary. Fined Winnipeg OL Steve Morley an undisclosed amount for punching an opponent during a Sept. 7 game against Saskatchewan. Fined Saskatchewan DB Paul Worby an undisclosed amount for making avoidable physical contact with an on-field official during an Aug. 31 game against Winnipeg

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS — Signed F Sonny Milano to a three-year, entry-level contract.

MINNESOTA WILD — Signed RW Nino Niederreiter to a three-year contract

NEW YORK RANGERS — Agreed to terms with F Ryan Malone and D John Moore on one-year contracts.

LACROSSE

National Lacrosse League

MINNESOTA SWARM — Signed F Dean Hill, F Zach Palmer and D Ian Crawford to one-year contracts and T Sam Bradman to a two-year contract. Named Rory McDade assistant coach

Major League Soccer

MLS — Extended the contract of commissioner Don Garber through December 2018

COLLEGE

CHARLESTON SOUTHERN — Named Adam Ward associate head baseball coach and Jimmy Holton assistant baseball coach

CULVER-STOCKTON — Announced the resignation of athletic director Greg McVey.

DELAWARE — Named Kevin Cataldo women's assistant cross country and track and field coach

FELICIAN — Named Mike Mobbs assistant baseball coach

NYU — Named Erison Hurtault assistant cross country and track and field coach

PRESBYTERIAN — Named Tristan Toone assistant baseball coach

RUTGERS — Signed football coach Kyle Flood a two-year contract extension through 2019

SHAW — Named DiShondra Goree women's volleyball and softball coach

GLANTZ-CULVER LINE

COLLEGE

FAVORITE	OPEN	Tonight TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Cincinnati	13	11	(59)	Toledo
Baylor	32 1/2	35	(69 1/2)	at Buffalo
		Saturday		
Indiana	4	7 1/2	(70)	at Bowling Green
at Missouri	9 1/2	10	(54 1/2)	UCF
NC State	3	1 1/2	(51)	at South Florida
at Michigan	30	31	(54)	Miami (Ohio)
at Ohio St	29 1/2	32	(50 1/2)	Kent St.
at Iowa	13	10	(49)	Iowa St.
at Maryland	3 1/2	3 1/2	(57)	West Virginia
at Duke	17 1/2	15	(55 1/2)	Kansas
at Texas Tech	1	2	(66)	Arkansas
at Miami	17 1/2	16 1/2	(53 1/2)	Arkansas St.
at TCU	6	14	(47 1/2)	Minnesota
at Alabama	47	48	(55 1/2)	Southern Miss.
at Oklahoma St	13 1/2	13 1/2	(59)	UTSA
at LSU	31	31	(51 1/2)	Louisiana-Monroe
Notre Dame+	28	28	(57 1/2)	Purdue
at Florida	17 1/2	18	(51 1/2)	Kentucky
Navy	12 1/2	10	(57)	at Texas St.
at Oklahoma	20	20 1/2	(56)	Tennessee
at UTEP	10 1/2	11	(60)	New Mexico St.
UCLA+	6	7 1/2	(50 1/2)	Texas
Penn St.	3 1/2	3	(52 1/2)	at Rutgers
Southern Cal	19 1/2	17	(53)	at Boston College
at Texas A&M	29	31 1/2	(71 1/2)	Rice

x-at Indianapolis
y-at Arlington, Texas Off Key

NFL

FAVORITE	OPEN	Tonight TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
		Sunday		
at Carolina	3	2 1/2	(43 1/2)	Detroit
Miami	+1	1	(43)	at Buffalo
at Washington	6	6	(43 1/2)	Jacksonville
at Tennessee	3	3 1/2	(49 1/2)	Dallas
Arizona	+1	2 1/2	(43)	at N.Y. Giants
New England	9	9	(49)	at Minnesota
New Orleans	6	6 1/2	(47 1/2)	at Cleveland
at Cincinnati	6	5	(48 1/2)	Atlanta
at Tampa Bay	3 1/2	5 1/2	(37)	St. Louis
Seattle	4 1/2	6	(44 1/2)	at San Diego
Houston	3	3	(39 1/2)	at Oakland
at Green Bay	6	8 1/2	(48)	N.Y. Jets
at Denver	19 1/2	19	(51 1/2)	Kansas City
at San Francisco	7	7	(48 1/2)	Chicago
		Monday		
at Indianapolis	3	3	(53 1/2)	Philadelphia

HSVOLLEYBALL

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN BEGINS DISTRICT PLAY TODAY

The Lady Mustangs, after a strong non-district showing, will start their district slate today at home against Grapevine Faith.

Midland Christian went through the non-district portion of its schedule with several successful showings in tournaments, including a Gold Consolation bracket win at the Prince of Peace Dallas tournament last weekend.

The Lady Mustangs will also play Coram Deo on Saturday at 1 p.m. Midland Christian's game with Grapevine Faith today will begin at 6 p.m.

LADY BULLDOGS RANKED 6TH IN STATE

Midland High is off to a blazing 23-1 start in 2014, and the Lady Bulldogs have now reached sixth in the 6A poll of the Texas Girls Coaches' Association. This is the highest ranking the Lady Bulldogs have achieved in quite a while.

Arkansas renews series with Texas Tech

By Betsy Blaney
Associated Press

LUBBOCK — It's been 23 years since Texas Tech and Arkansas faced off in what was the two teams' final pairing before the Razorbacks joined the Southeast Conference.

The Red Raiders (2-0) remained in the Southwest Conference until its demise in 1995, and they joined the Big 12 the following season. Texas Tech won that 1991 game 38-21 in Lubbock.

This Saturday's game pits a team that's had difficulty stopping the run, Texas Tech, against a team ranked 11th in the nation in yards rushing (324.5 yards per game). The Red Raiders bring the nation's 11th-best total offense (570 ypg).

Red Raiders coach Kliff Kingsbury, whose team has won two closer-than-expected games by a combined margin of 11 points, called the Razorbacks' offense the "biggest challenge" this season. Texas Tech had to come from behind to beat UTEP 30-26 last week.

"They've been moving bodies," he said of Arkansas' five 310-plus-pound offensive linemen. "You watch them up front against Auburn, against Nicholls State and they're tough. Those running backs do a great job finishing runs."

Arkansas coach Bret Bielema, who's in his second year in Fayetteville, called his three running backs "elite" in the Razorbacks' program. But he knows about the potential of the Red Raiders' passing attack. Arkansas (1-1) snapped a 10-game losing streak when they beat Nicholls State 73-7 last week.

"The bottom line is, Texas Tech's offense is out there against our defense and it doesn't really matter what they do on offense, it matters what we do and how we're able to defend them," he said.

Some things to watch Saturday:

RAZORBACKS' RUNNING ATTACK

Arkansas grinds out most of its offense on the ground, getting 648 yards of its 1,012 total yards on rushes. The Razorbacks are led by sophomore Alex Collins (207 yards and three TDS on 23 carries) and junior Jonathan Williams (178 yards and two TDs on 11 carries). "I think Alex Collins has probably had as good a three weeks of practice since he's been here, ... and Jonathan Williams, any chance he gets, continues to impress," Bielema said.

HIGH OCTANE OFFENSE

The Red Raiders have gotten off to slow starts in both their wins, and Davis Webb this week acknowledged he hasn't been himself, despite throwing for 730 yards and seven TDs. He's also thrown two interceptions in the first half of the first game. "I'm really looking forward to the third game because I felt like the first two games were off for everybody," Webb said.

TURNOVERS

The Red Raiders haven't forced a turnover all season and have lost the turnover battle in 10-straight games, during which they're 5-5. Texas Tech has lost the ball three times this season; Arkansas is even in turnover margin. "I don't know if it's lack of confidence or what it is, but we've got to find a way," Texas Tech's defensive coordinator Matt Wallerstedt said of forcing turnovers. "Odds surely are going to swing our way one of these days."

US beats Lithuania to reach basketball world final

By Brian Mahoney
Associated Press

BARCELONA, Spain — Madrid awaits. Spain doesn't.

The gold-medal matchup seemingly everyone wanted in the Basketball World Cup — maybe even some U.S. players — won't be happening. The Spanish were upset in the quarterfinals, ending the predicted No. 1 vs. No. 2 game Sunday on Spain's home court.

"I think that's one of the reasons why we came over here, was to play them," U.S. guard Derrick Rose said. "Too bad we're not playing them and hopefully we go out there in our next game and play hard and just know that we're there for a reason."

The Americans held up their end, moving within a victory of repeating as world champions for the first time with a 96-68 victory over Lithuania on Thursday night.

James Harden scored all of his 16 points in the lopsided third quarter of a near carbon copy of the Americans' quarterfinal victory over Slovenia, when he awoke from a scoreless first half to help turn a close game into a blowout.

The Americans will face France or Serbia, believing either could provide the test that was expected from Spain.

"Obviously they're playing there for a reason," Harden said. "We're not going to take anyone lightly, which we haven't thus far."

They will arrive as even heavier favorites after Spain's stunning loss to France on Wednesday. With their veteran experience and near misses against the U.S. in the last two Olympic gold-medal games, the Spanish were considered the team with the best chance — perhaps the only one — to beat the Americans.

Harden was told that forward Kenneth Faried said he'd wanted to play Spain.

"Kenneth's crazy," Harden said.

Some U.S. players watched the game Wednesday, while others learned the result afterward. Talk of a U.S.-Spain final had lasted as long as the tournament, and though the Americans tried to ignore it, guard Stephen Curry acknowledged that was impossible.

"I don't think we're disappointed, or wished we played a certain team," Curry said. "We're happy to take care of our business."

Their opponent will have to show it can hang with the Americans for more than a half, which nobody in Barcelona did.

This one was an eight-point game at the break before the U.S. made 14 of 19 shots in the third quarter and outscored Lithuania 33-14.

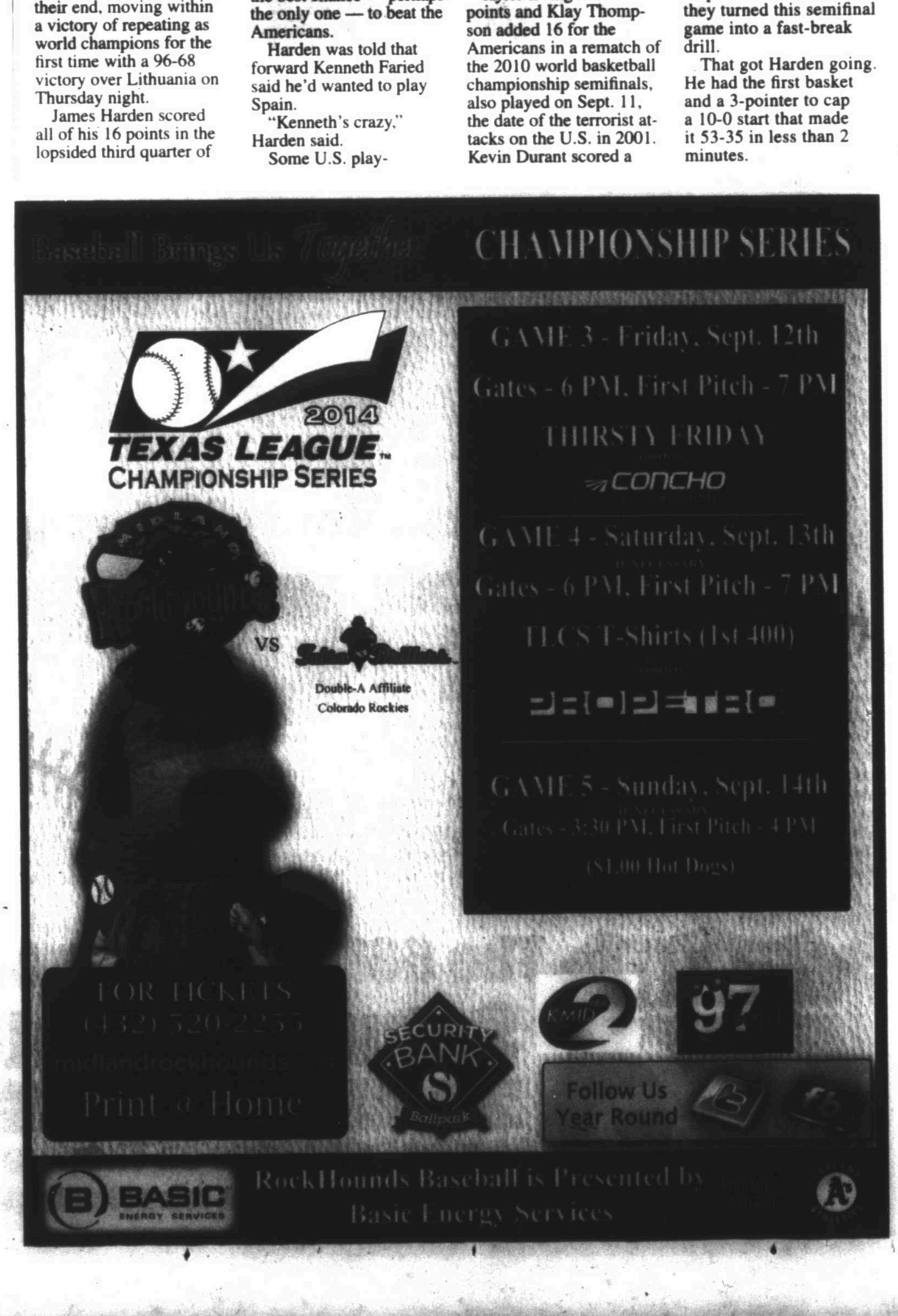
Kyrie Irving had 18 points and Klay Thompson added 16 for the Americans in a rematch of the 2010 world basketball championship semifinals, also played on Sept. 11, the date of the terrorist attacks on the U.S. in 2001. Kevin Durant scored a U.S.-record 38 points in that one, an 89-74 victory.

That was a rare comfortable margin in this series where close games have been the norm. That includes the 2012 Olympics, where the Americans' 99-94 win was their tightest in London.

The physical play nearly turned ugly when DeMarcus Cousins reacted angrily after appearing to be elbowed in the neck by center Jonas Valanciunas of the Toronto Raptors while battling for a rebound. He wound up as if he were going to punch Valanciunas in the back of the head, drawing a technical foul.

The Americans then threw the knockout blow, coming out of the locker room with an 18-2 run — emphasis on run, because they turned this semifinal game into a fast-break drill.

That got Harden going. He had the first basket and a 3-pointer to cap a 10-0 start that made it 53-35 in less than 2 minutes.



Chapman making most of opportunities

By Len Hayward
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James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland's Matt Chapman bunts against Frisco in Game 4 of the Texas League South Division series on Saturday at Security Bank Ballpark.

Matt Chapman wrapped up a stellar college career at Cal State-Fullerton in June. At that time, when he was drafted by the Oakland A's as a first-round pick in this year's MLB Draft, helping a Double-A team compete for a championship was likely the furthest thing from his mind.

But three months later in September, he's become a key part of the Midland RockHounds' quest for a Texas League championship. Chapman spent much of this summer in Single-A Beloit after being drafted, but thanks to some key injuries he's gotten an opportunity with the RockHounds and taken advantage of them. He's helped the RockHounds earn a slot in this year's Texas League Championship Series, which continues with Game 3 against Tulsa at 7 p.m. today at Security Bank Ballpark.

"I'd say, it's been awesome," Chapman said last week after the RockHounds beat Frisco to earn a spot in this week's Texas League Championship Series. "It's a huge jump. The pitchers are obviously better, and the players take more consistent at-bats."

Beloit's season ended in late August, and when RockHounds third baseman Jefry Marte was ruled out for the playoffs late in the regular season because of an oblique injury, the A's decided to call up Chapman.

And the 21-year old Chapman certainly helped to make an impact for the RockHounds in the Texas League South Division Championship Series against rival Frisco. He hit .400 and had a game-winning home run in a 3-2, Game 3 victory last Friday at Security Bank Ballpark.

Plus, he also showed why he was a first-round draft pick at third base. He helped to account for all three of the final outs in the ninth inning against Frisco in Game 4 last Saturday in Midland. He had two assists, one after a he scooped up a bunt, and also caught the final out of the series, a Joey Gallo pop up. Plus, he has yet to commit an error during the playoffs.

Chapman, a native of Dove Canyon, California, has cooled off some in the Texas League championship series, going a combined 0-for-7 in the first two games.

"He's coming from a great program and he was very well coached at Fullerton," Midland manager Aaron Nieckula said. "He's come in and has done a great job. You would never tell he just got finish playing college baseball three months ago, or Low-A ball in Beloit. He's come in and does a great job for us both offensively and defensively."

Chapman said he played in some intense, tension filled games as Titan, but he said that being a part of the RockHounds during a playoff run is one of the best things about his baseball career.

"I just try to go up and try to help the team out anyway I could, and I'm just grateful to be here," Chapman said. "It's hard to explain, (the Texas League playoffs) is different than college, but both are awesome."

Chapman said the jump from Low-A to Double-A was a big leap, but he said it's still baseball, and from the first day he walked into the clubhouse he was welcomed by the rest of the RockHounds players.

Being able to fit in early was important for his confidence, especially since he was a part of the starting lineup from the first day with the team. Now he just hopes he can help the team win its third Texas League Championship.

"I'm just a small piece of their puzzle and I'm just trying to help them out," Chapman said. "It's so sweet to see what they've worked hard for all year."

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Schedule

Texas League Playoffs
(x-if necessary)
Championship
(Best-of-5)
Tulsa 1, Midland 1
Tuesday, Sep. 9: Midland 5, Tulsa 1
Wednesday, Sep. 10: Tulsa 5, Midland 2
Today: Tulsa at Midland, 7 p.m.
Saturday, Sep. 13: Tulsa at Midland, 7 p.m.
x-Sunday, Sep. 14: Tulsa at Midland, 4 p.m.

'HOUNDS PLAYOFF NOTES

■ In the event that today's game at Security Bank Ballpark is rained out, the schedule for the series will be pushed back one day. Friday and Saturday's games are scheduled to start at 7 p.m., and Sunday's game will start at 4 p.m.

■ Tonight's pitching matchup will feature Midland right-hander Shawn Haviland (0-0, 6.75 ERA in the playoffs) against Tulsa left-hander and former RockHounds pitcher Carlos Hernandez (1.0, 0.00 ERA in the playoffs). Hernandez is the RockHounds franchise leader in victories.

■ The other late-season call-up for the RockHounds, Daniel Robertson, hit his first Double-A home run on Wednesday during Midland's 5-2 loss to Tulsa.

■ Max Muncy has come alive during the first two games against Tulsa. Muncy was 1-for-16 against Frisco in the TLDS, but is 3-for-8 with a home run the two games against Tulsa.

Healthy Murray clear leader of Cowboys' run game

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

IRVING — After DeMarco Murray fumbled his first carry of the season, the Dallas Cowboys sure didn't stop giving him the ball.

They didn't even hand off to another running back.

Now that Murray has been mostly healthy for almost two years, the bruising back rules the running game for the Cowboys.

"There's no question he's the main guy, he's the bell cow guy and he's certainly capable of doing that," coach Jason Garrett said. "DeMarco's capable of taking the ball 20-25 times a game, throwing it to him and doing a lot of things we're going to ask a running back to do."

The fourth-year player who set a franchise record with 253 yards rushing the first time he was the featured back as a rookie in 2011 is now piling up the starts without an injury getting in the way.

Murray missed two games with a mild knee sprain last season, but he's started 20 of the past 22 games after sitting out nine times in a 14-game stretch that covered the 2011 and 2012 seasons.

He had an injury-plagued college career at Oklahoma, so there was nothing to suggest the Cowboys could lean heavily on him. There is now with him heading into Sunday's game at Tennessee looking for his ninth career 100-yard game.

"I feel like I've worked hard in the offseason and during the season to make sure I can handle whatever they throw at me," said Murray, who bounced back from the fumble to finish with 118 yards and a touchdown in a 28-17 loss to San Francisco. "Whatever you want to call it."

Murray spent plenty of offseason time working out with nine-time Pro Bowl tight end Jason Witten. He was trying to build on a strong second half of last season that included the second back-to-back 100-yard games of his career and his first Pro Bowl.

"He's eager to learn. He's humble," Witten said. "I think he's got a real bright future and obviously our offense's success I think is going to start with him running the football."

Murray's backup, Lance Dunbar, is a specialty player who caught three passes but didn't get a carry. Receiver Dwayne Harris had the only other rushing play on a sweep when he lined up behind quarterback Tony Romo.

With 22 carries, Murray finished four shy of his career high. But it was the first time the Cowboys lost in 12 games where Murray had at least 20 carries.

Part of the problem was his tone-setting fumble on the game's second play, when the ball was stripped just before he hit the ground. Chris Culliver picked up the loose ball and ran 35 yards untouched to the end zone.

"When I make mistakes, I wouldn't say I don't care about them, but you've got to have a short memory," Murray said. "You can't worry about great plays or bad plays. They're going to happen."

Murray also isn't dwelling on 2014 being the final year of his rookie contract. Receiver Dez Bryant appears to be higher priority for the Cowboys, and they couldn't get a new deal done before the season started.

If Bryant stays true to previous comments that he won't negotiate during the season, there's a greater chance Murray will reach the open market not long after he turns 27.

"All I can control is how hard I work every day and on Sundays," said Murray, who had career highs with 1,121 yards and nine touchdowns last season. "It's something I'm not worried about. Never will be. That will take care of itself."

MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

ANGELS 7
RANGERS 3

ARLINGTON — Erick Aybar hit a two-run home run early and eight Angels pitchers combined for a 7-3 victory over the Texas Rangers on Thursday night, giving Los Angeles its eighth straight win.

Los Angeles won for the 14th time in 16 games and moved 10 games ahead of second-place Oakland in the American League West with 16 games to play.

Aybar homered against Nick Martinez (3-11) in the second inning to put the Angels ahead 2-1. David Freese had a two-run single in the third and Kole Calhoun's RBI single in the seventh made it 5-1. Pinch-hitter Grant Green added a two-run single in the eighth.

Mike Morin (4-3), the fifth Los Angeles pitcher, got the win. He entered the game to retire Elvis Andrus with the bases loaded in the fourth and also worked a scoreless fifth inning.

Leonys Martin and J.P. Arencibia had solo homers for the Rangers.

GAME 1
INDIANS 8, TWINS 2
GAME 2
INDIANS 2, TWINS 0

CLEVELAND — Rookie T.J. House pitched seven sharp innings, Carlos Santana homered and drove in both runs and the Cleveland Indians completed a doubleheader sweep with a 2-0 win over the Minnesota Twins on Thursday.

Santana also homered in the first game, backing another strong performance by Corey Kluber in an 8-2 victory.

WHITE SOX 1
ATHLETICS 0

CHICAGO — Chris Sale bested Scott Kazmir in a brilliant pitchers' duel, light-hitting Marcus Semien homered for the only run and the Chicago White Sox edged the rapidly fading Oakland Athletics 1-0 Thursday.

The A's lost for the 11th time in 14 games. They began the day with a slim lead in the wild-card race, having fallen nine games behind Los Angeles in the AL West.

YANKEES 5
RAYS 4

NEW YORK — Chris Young broke up Alex Cobb's no-hit bid in the eighth inning and then launched a three-run homer in the bottom of the ninth that rallied the New York Yankees to a 5-4 victory Thursday night over the stunned Tampa Bay Rays.

Pinch-hitter Martin Prado connected for a two-run shot immediately after Cobb was pulled in the eighth, and the Yankees climbed out of a four-run hole to take two of three in the series. Young homered with one out to win it.

RED SOX 6
ROYALS 3

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The last-place Boston Red Sox took advantage of three critical errors by the first-place Kansas City Royals, pulling away late in a 6-3 victory Thursday night that ended a four-game losing streak.

Clay Buchholz (8-8) allowed three runs, two earned, over 6 1-3 innings for the Red Sox. He turned a one-run lead over to the Boston bullpen, and it preserved his sixth straight win against the Royals. Edward Mujica handled a perfect ninth for his fifth save.

National League

GIANTS 6
DIAMONDBACKS 2

SAN FRANCISCO — Jake Peavy struck out eight and didn't walk a batter to win his third start in a row and the San Francisco Giants beat the Arizona Diamondbacks 6-2 on Thursday for their ninth straight home victory.

Hunter Pence put the Giants ahead on a quirky RBI single in the first. Pence literally threw his bat at the ball, which hit the front corner of second base and skipped into shallow right-center. Pence also drew a bases-loaded walk.

PIRATES 4
PHILLIES 1

PHILADELPHIA — Francisco Liriano struck out a season-high 12 in eight dominant innings, and the Pittsburgh Pirates beat the Philadelphia Phillies 4-1 on Thursday night.

Liriano allowed only six runners for the Pirates, who have won seven of eight to strengthen their hold on the second wild-card spot in the National League.

NATIONALS 6
METS 2

NEW YORK — Adam LaRoche and Anthony Rendon had two-run homers off Bartolo Colon, who was ejected after hitting the following batter both times, and the Washington Nationals beat the New York Mets 6-2 Thursday night for their 12th straight win at Citi Field.

Washington opened its NL East lead to 8 1/2 games over second-place Atlanta, and the Nationals lowered their magic number to nine for clinching their second division title in three seasons. Washington improved to 26-4 at Citi Field since September 2011, outscoring the Mets 156-68 and outhomering them 49-18 in that span.

REDS 1
CARDINALS 0

CINCINNATI — Johnny Cueto and the Reds are reduced to playing for pride and awards. Beating the Cardinals 1-0 on Thursday will be good for both.

Cueto pitched eight scoreless innings to beat Lance Lynn and send the St. Louis Cardinals to their third consecutive loss 1-0 Thursday.

Flacco, Ravens beat Steelers without Rice

Associated Press

BALTIMORE — Playing three days after running back Ray Rice was released, the Ravens got a pair of touchdown passes from Joe Flacco and rolled past the rival Pittsburgh Steelers 26-6 on Thursday night.

Rice was reaching the end of a two-game suspension for domestic violence when a video of him striking his then-fiancee surfaced Monday. By the end of the day, the three-time Pro Bowl star had been cut by Baltimore and suspended indefinitely by the NFL.

The Ravens (1-1) shrugged off the distraction to bounce back from a season-opening loss at home to division rival Cincinnati.

Bernard Pierce took over for Rice to gain 22 yards on 96 carries as part of a ground game that finished with 157 yards. Flacco went 21 for 29 for 166 yards and two TD passes to tight end Owen Daniels, and Justin Tucker kicked four field goals.

Pittsburgh (1-1) managed only two field goals and committed three turnovers.

MLB STANDINGS, BOXES AND LINESCORES

STANDINGS
AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	86	59	.593	—
Toronto	76	69	.524	10
New York	75	69	.521	10 1/2
Tampa Bay	70	77	.476	17
Boston	64	83	.435	23
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Kansas City	80	65	.552	—
Detroit	80	66	.548	1/2
Cleveland	76	69	.524	4
Chicago	66	80	.452	14 1/2
Minnesota	62	84	.425	18 1/2
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Los Angeles	91	55	.623	—
Oakland	81	65	.555	10
Seattle	79	66	.545	11 1/2
Houston	65	81	.445	26
Texas	54	92	.370	37

Thursday's Scores
Cleveland 8, Minnesota 2, 1st game
Chicago White Sox 1, Oakland 0
Cleveland 2, Minnesota 0, 2nd game
N.Y. Yankees 5, Tampa Bay 4
L.A. Angels 7, Texas 3
Boston 6, Kansas City 3

Today's Games
N.Y. Yankees (McCarthy 6-4) at Baltimore (Gausman 7-7), 12:05 p.m., 1st game
N.Y. Yankees (Mitchell 0-0) at Baltimore (B.Norris 12-8), 6:05 p.m., 2nd game
Tampa Bay (Karns 0-0) at Toronto (Happ 9-9), 6:07 p.m.
Cleveland (Carrasco 7-4) at Detroit (D.Price 13-11), 6:08 p.m.
Atlanta (A.Wood 10-10) at Texas (D.Holland 1-0), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Webster 3-3) at Kansas City (Ventura 12-9), 7:10 p.m.
Minnesota (P.Hughes 15-9) at Chicago White Sox (Quintana 7-10), 7:10 p.m.
Houston (Oberholtzer 5-10) at L.A. Angels (C.Wilson 11-9), 9:05 p.m.
Oakland (Hammel 2-5) at Seattle (Paxton 5-2), 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	83	62	.572	—
Atlanta	75	71	.514	8 1/2
Miami	71	74	.490	12
New York	71	76	.483	13
Philadelphia	67	79	.459	16 1/2
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
St. Louis	80	67	.544	—
Pittsburgh	77	69	.527	2 1/2
Milwaukee	76	71	.517	4
Cincinnati	70	77	.476	10
Chicago	64	82	.438	15 1/2
West Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Los Angeles	83	63	.568	—
San Francisco	81	65	.555	2
San Diego	67	78	.462	15 1/2
Arizona	59	87	.404	24
Colorado	59	87	.404	24

Thursday's Scores
Cincinnati 1, St. Louis 0
San Francisco 6, Arizona 2
Pittsburgh 4, Philadelphia 1
Washington 6, N.Y. Mets 2
Milwaukee 4, Miami 2

Today's Games
Chicago Cubs (Wada 4-2) at Pittsburgh (Cole 8-5), 6:05 p.m.
Miami (H.Alvarez 10-6) at Philadelphia (Hamels 8-7), 6:05 p.m.
Washington (G.Gonzalez 8-9) at N.Y. Mets (Gee 6-7), 6:10 p.m.
Atlanta (A.Wood 10-10) at Texas (D.Holland 1-0), 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Latos 5-5) at Milwaukee (Lohse 12-9), 7:10 p.m.
Colorado (J.De La Rosa 13-10) at St. Louis (Wainwright 17-9), 7:15 p.m.
San Diego (Stults 6-16) at Arizona (Nuno 0-5), 8:40 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 14-6) at San Francisco (Bumgarner 17-9), 9:15 p.m.

THURSDAY'S AL WEST BOXES
ANGELS 7, RANGERS 3

Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi	Texas	ab	r	h	bi
Calhon rf	4	1	1	1	LMartn cf	3	1	2	1
Trout cf	3	1	0	0	Andrus ss	4	1	1	0
Pujols dh	5	0	0	0	Odor 2b	4	0	1	1
HKndrc 2b	4	1	1	0	ABeltre 3b	3	0	0	0
Freese 3b	3	0	1	2	Rosales 1b	4	0	0	0
Campn pr	0	1	0	0	Telis c	3	0	1	0
Cron 1b	0	0	0	0	Rua lf	4	0	0	0
Aybar ss	3	2	1	2	Arencii dh	4	1	1	1
ENavrr 1b	3	0	0	0	Choice rf	4	0	1	0
GBckh ph	1	0	0	0					
Iannett c	0	0	0	0					
Conger c	3	0	1	0					
Green ph	1	0	1	2					
JMcDnl 3b	0	0	0	0					
Cowgill lf	4	1	1	0					
Totals	34	7	7	7	Totals	33	3	7	3

Los Angeles ....022 000 120—7
Texas ....100 000 110—3

E—Ross Jr. (2), L.Martin (7). DP—Los Angeles 1, Texas 1. LOB—Los Angeles 5, Texas 6. 2B—Conger (12), Andrus (32). HR—Aybar (7), L.Martin (7), Arencibia (9). SB—L.Martin (27).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles						
Cor.Rasmus	3 1-3	2	1	1	0	3
Pestano	2-3	0	0	0	0	2
Y.Herrera	2-3	2	0	0	0	0
Roth	0	0	0	0	1	0
Morin W,4-3	1 1-3	0	0	0	1	0
Salas	1	1	1	1	0	1
Grilli	1	2	1	1	0	1
J.Smith	1	0	0	0	0	1
Texas						
N.Martinez L,3-11	6	4	4	2	1	3
Ross Jr.	2-3	2	1	0	0	1
S.Patton	2-3	0	1	1	1	1
Claudio	2-3	1	1	1	1	1
Feliz	1	0	0	0	0	1

Roth pitched to 1 batter in the 5th.
HBP—by J.Smith (Telis), by N.Martinez (Trout, Trout). WP—J.Smith, N.Martinez. Balk—Claudio.
T—3:24. A—27,129 (48,114).

WHITE SOX 1, ATHLETICS 0

Oakland	ab	r	h	bi	Chicago	ab	r	h	bi
Crisp cf	3	0	0	0	Eaton cf	4	0	0	0
Fuld rf	4	0	1	0	CSnchz 2b	3	0	0	0
Dnldsn 3b	4	0	0	0	JAreu 1b	3	0	1	0
JGoms lf	3	0	0	0	AGarci rf	2	0	1	0
A.Dunn ph	0	0	0	0	Gillaspi 3b	3	0	1	0
Punto pr	0	0	0	0	Viciedo dh	3	0	0	0
DeNrrs dh	4	0	0	0	MTaylr lf	3	0	0	0
Lowrie ss	3	0	2	0	Sierra lf	0	0	0	0
BBurns pr	0	0	0	0	Flowrs c	3	0	0	0
Parrino ss	0	0	0	0	Semien ss	3	1	1	1
Freimn 1b	3	0	0	0					
G.Soto c	3	0	0	0					
Callasp 2b	2	0	0	0					
Sogard pr-2b	0	0	0	0					
Totals	29	0	3	0	Totals	27	1	4	1

Oakland ....000 000 000—0
Chicago ....000 001 00x—1

E—G.Soto (1). DP—Oakland 1, Chicago 1. LOB—Oakland 5, Chicago 3. HR—Semien (4). SB—A.Garcia (2). CS—Gillaspie (4).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Kazmir L,14-8	8	4	1	1	1	7
Chicago						
Sale W,12-3	8	2	0	0	2	9
Petricka S,13-16	1	1	0	0	1	1

T—2:18. A—12,314 (40,615).

THURSDAY'S LINESCORES
AMERICAN LEAGUE
First Game
Indians 8, Twins 2

Minnesota ....100 000 001 —2 8 1
Cleveland ....214 001 00x —8 10 0

Gibson, Swarzak (4), Achter (6), Oliveros (8) and K.Suzuki; Kluber, Crockett (9) and Y.Gomes. W—Kluber 15-9. L—Gibson 11-11. HRs—Cleveland, C.Santana (26), Y.Gomes (18).

SECOND GAME
INDIANS 2, TWINS 0

Minnesota ....000 000 000 —0 4 0
Cleveland ....000 100 01x —2 8 1

Nolasco, Thielbar (8), Tonkin (8) and Pinto; House, Shaw (8), Allen (9) and R.Perez. W—House 3-3. L—Nolasco 5-11. Sv—Allen (20). HRs—Cleveland, C.Santana (27).

YANKEES 5, RAYS 4

Tampa Bay ....000 300 100 —4 10 2
New York ....000 000 023 —5 4 0

Cobb, Boxberger (8), McGee (9) and Casali; Pineda, R.Hill (8), Roe (9), Outman (9), Kelley (9) and B.McCann, J.Murphy. W—Kelley 3-5. L—McGee 4-2. HRs—Tampa Bay, Y.Escobar 2 (6). New York, Prado (6), C.Young (2).

RED SOX 6, ROYALS 3

Boston ....012 100 020 —6 9 1
Kansas City ....020 001 000 —3 6 3

Buchholz, Layne (7), Tazawa (7), Mujica (9) and Vazquez; Hendriks, C.Coleman (3), L.Coleman (6), Finnegan (7), Crow (8), Bueno (9) and S.Perez. W—Buchholz 8-8. L—Hendriks 1-2. Sv—Mujica (5).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
REDS 1, CARDINALS 0

St. Louis ....000 000000 —0 3 1
Cincinnati ....000 00001x —1 3 0

Lynn and Pierzynski; Cueto, A.Chapman (9) and Mesoraco. W—Cueto 18-8. L—Lynn 15-9. Sv—A.Chapman (33).

GIANTS 6, DIAMONDBACKS 2

Arizona ....000 001 001 —2 9 2
San Francisco ....101 103 00x —6 12 0

Delgado, Harris (5), Stites (6), E.Marshall (6), E.De La Rosa (7) and Gosewisch; Peavy, Machi (6), Kontos (7), J.Lopez (8), Strickland (8), Casilla (9) and Posey. W—Peavy 5-4. L—Delgado 3-4. HRs—Arizona, Lamb (3).

PIRATES 4, PHILLIES 1

Pittsburgh ....010 003 000 —4 8 0
Philadelphia ....000 000 001 —1 6 0

F.Liriano, J.Hughes (9), Melancon (9) and R.Martin; A.Burnett, Lu.Garcia (7), Bastardo (8), Miguel Alfredo.Gonzalez (9) and Ruiz. W—F.Liriano 5-10. L—A.Burnett 8-16. Sv—Melancon (29).

NATIONALS 6, METS 2

Washington ....202 200 000 —6 8 1
New York ....000 010 100 —2 9 1

Roark, Stammen (7), Thornton (8), Clippard (8), Detwiler (9) and W.Ramos; B.Colon, Matsuzaka (4), Goeddel (7), D.Alvarez (8), Germen (9) and T.d'Arnaud, Recker. W—Roark 13-10. L—B.Colon 13-12. HRs—Washington, LaRoche (24), Rendon (19). New York, Recker (7).

BREWERS 4, MARLINS 2

Miami ....000 000 020 —2 4 1
Milwaukee ....011 200 00x —4 9 1

Eovaldi, DeSclafani (5), Da.Jennings (6), S.Dyson (7), M.Dunn (8) and Mathis; Fiers, Jeffress (6), Kintzler (7), W.Smith (7), Fr.Rodriguez (9) and Lucroy. W—Fiers 6-2. L—Eovaldi 6-11. Sv—Fr.Rodriguez (41). HRs—Miami, Ozuna (23). Milwaukee, Braun (19), Clark (2).

NFL STANDINGS AND BOX

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	1	0	0	1.000	33	20
N.Y. Jets	1	0	0	1.000	19	14
Buffalo	1	0	0	1.000	23	20
New England	0	1	0	.000	20	33
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Tennessee	1	0	0	1.000	26	10
Houston	1	0	0	1.000	17	6
Jacksonville	0	1	0	.000	17	34
Indianapolis	0	1	0	.000	24	31
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Cincinnati	1	0	0	1.000	23	16
Baltimore	1	1	0	.500	42	29
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	.500	36	53
Cleveland	0	1	0	.000	27	30
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Denver	1	0	0	1.000	31	24
San Diego	0	1	0	.000	17	18
Oakland	0	1	0	.000	14	19
Kansas City	0	1	0	.000	10	26

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	1	0	0	1.000	34	17
Washington	0	1	0	.000	6	17
Dallas	0	1	0	.000	17	28
N.Y. Giants	0	1	0	.000	14	35
South	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Carolina	1	0	0	1.000	20	14
Atlanta	1	0	0	1.000	37	34
New Orleans	0	1	0	.000	34	37
Tampa Bay	0	1	0	.000	14	20
North	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Minnesota	1	0	0	1.000	34	6
Detroit	1	0	0	1.000	35	14
Chicago	0	1	0	.000	20	23
Green Bay	0	1	0	.000	16	36
West	**W**	**L**	**T**	**Pct**	**PF**	**PA**
Seattle	1	0	0	1.000	36	16
San Francisco	1	0	0	1.000	28	17
Arizona	1	0	0	1.000	18	17
St. Louis	0	1	0	.000	6	34

Thursday's Score
Baltimore 26, Pittsburgh 6

Sunday's Games
Dallas at Tennessee, Noon
New England at Minnesota, Noon
Miami at Buffalo, Noon
Jacksonville at Washington, Noon
Arizona at N.Y. Giants, Noon
New Orleans at Cleveland, Noon
Atlanta at Cincinnati, Noon
Detroit at Carolina, Noon
Seattle at San Diego, 3:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Tampa Bay, 3:05 p.m.
Houston at Oakland, 3:25 p.m.
Kansas City at Denver, 3:25 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Green Bay, 3:25 p.m.
Chicago at San Francisco, 7:30 p.m.

Monday's Game
Philadelphia at Indianapolis, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, Sep. 18
Tampa Bay at Atlanta, 7:25 p.m.

THURSDAY'S BOX
RAVENS 26, STEELERS 6

Pittsburgh .... 0 3 3 0—6
Baltimore .... 7 3 7 9—26

First Quarter
Bal—Daniels 2 pass from Flacco (Tucker kick), :27.

Second Quarter
Bal—FG Tucker 30, 8:01.
Pit—FG Suisham 25, 2:50.

Third Quarter
Pit—FG Suisham 43, 10:30.
Bal—Daniels 1 pass from Flacco (Tucker kick), 3:58.

Fourth Quarter
Bal—FG Tucker 23, 14:11.
Bal—FG Tucker 22, 11:14.
Bal—FG Tucker 20, 4:31.
A—71,181.

	Pit	Bal
First downs	17	25
Total Net Yards	301	323
Rushes-yards	18-99	36-157
Passing	202	166
Comp-Att-Int	22-37-1	21-29-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-15	0-0
Punts	4-45.8	2-55.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	9-75	4-35
Time of Possession	24:52	35:08

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—Pittsburgh, Bell 11-59, Wheaton 2-22, A.Brown 2-10, Blount 3-8. Baltimore, Pierce 22-96, Forsett 8-56, Flacco 5-3, Jones 1-2.

PASSING—Pittsburgh, Roethlisberger 22-37-1-217. Baltimore, Flacco 21-29-0-166.

RECEIVING—Pittsburgh, A.Brown 7-90, Bell 5-48, Wheaton 5-38, Miller 4-35, J.Brown 1-6. Baltimore, Smith Sr. 6-71, Daniels 5-28, Forsett 4-16, Pitta 3-30, T.Smith 1-10, Pierce 1-7, Jones 1-4.

MISSED FIELD GOALS—None.

BULLDOGS

From 1C

Yenzer has seen from this group from the beginning of the season, and now he wants to see more consistency out of this group.

So far this season, the Bulldogs have thrown for 453 yards and average 14.6 yards a catch with three touchdowns.

"I've been real pleased with our receiving corps, and we still have a lot of developmental guys," Yenzer said. "It's part of that consistency thing. Ryan is doing a good job of finding open receivers and he's got a good grasp of the offense. For the most part, the guys are rewarding him with catches and good plays. That's a real positive for us."

The Bulldogs have not found that "go-to" receiver yet, and they have yet to develop a deep threat that was similar to last year's tandem of Mazelle Justice and DeAndre Goodley. But that doesn't mean there isn't plenty of talent to go around.

Abney can provide a threat over the middle from his tight end position, while Kahlyl Winn has shown his big-play ability with two deep touchdown catches and a per-catch average of 36.3 yards.

Other players such as Matt Gallegos, Eric Haverstock and Chandler Berrones all have at least three catches this season.

"We are taking what the defense gives us and it really helps that we can spread the ball to a bunch of guys and not look at one or two," Goodrum said. "I really trust our receivers. They are really stepping up, considering all the people that we lost last year."

Yenzer said there is plenty left to work on for the group, but he said he's seen the potential they have and knows they have the ability to do something special this season.

"You know they are teasing us right now," Yenzer said with a smile on his face. "I said, 'You've shown me all this potential, and now I want it every down.' Overall, we've got some good things in place but we have to be more consistent."

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MIDLAND HIGH AT HURST L.D. BELL

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Pennington Field, Bedford

On the air: KCRS 550 AM

Records: Midland High 2-0, L.D. Bell 0-2

Last game: Midland High 34, El Paso Montwood 21; Rockwall 58, L.D. Bell 20

Last meeting/series: L.D. Bell won the first meeting between the two schools in 2013, 49-37 at Pennington Field in Bedford

Weather forecast: High around 71, and windy with an 80 percent change of rain and thunderstorms.

Five things you need to know

■ Today's game marks the second straight long road trip for the Bulldogs this season. Midland High made the four-and-half hour trip to El Paso last week, and then will make the five-plus hour trip to Bedford. The Bulldogs will depart Friday morning for Bedford.

■ The Blue Raiders have started the season 0-2 after losses to Rockwall and Keller Center. In last week's loss to Rockwall, senior running back Daniel Dorsett rushed for 168 yards and a touchdown. Dorsett has rushed for 397 yards and four touchdowns this season.

■ The Midland High defense comes in to today's game after a pair of solid performances against Smithson Valley and El Paso Montwood. The Bulldogs gave up 68 yards rushing to the Rams in the 34-21 victory and is allowing just over 120 yards rushing a game in two games this season.

"Our defensive coaches have done a good job," Midland High coach Craig Yenzer said. "I'm pleased with how they've executed the plan and how they've gotten off the field."

■ Midland High will go for its first 3-0 start since the 2011 season. The Bulldogs started that season, which was the last time they made the playoffs, at 5-0 with victories against Amarillo High, El Paso Del Valle, Lubbock Coronado, Lubbock Monterey and San Angelo Central.

■ The Bulldogs are 3-5 against Metroplex teams during the regular season. Midland High registered non-district wins against Fort Worth Arlington Heights (1956), Fort Worth Trimble Tech (1972) and North Crowley (2006). MHS has had losses to Irving Nimitz, L.D. Bell, Southlake Carroll and two to Rockwall.

Next: El Paso Franklin at Midland High, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19; L.D. Bell at Abilene High, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19

RANGERS

From 1C

The Rangers believe that they will be a better football team than what they showed last week. The Mustangs and their success over the Rangers should be motivation enough.

"This week we have focused on doing better," Fader said. "We've definitely been working way harder this week to come out with a win and be more in the game."

Added senior defensive end and wide receiver Bryce Thompson: "I feel pretty confident going into this week cause we need to make up for last week's loss. We need to focus on keeping the ball secure so we don't have as many turnovers as last week."

Hanna said the Rangers will probably have extra motivation debuting their new field at J.M. King Memorial Stadium. It is the first time that the stadium's field will have artificial turf and it is part of several upgrades the stadium will be making over the next two years. Quarterback Zach Redwine said before the season that it would be a shame not to play well on a nice, new field.

"It's pretty exciting because we only play on turf for away games," Thompson said. "Our first game at home playing on turf should be fun."

The combination of playing Shallowater, coming off an ugly loss and debuting a new field may provide the Rangers that extra push they need to get back in the win column this week.

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SHALLOWATER VS. GREENWOOD

When/where: 7:30 p.m., J.M. King Memorial Stadium

On the web: www.audiosportsonline.net/2014fall/greenwood

Records: Greenwood 1-1; Shallowater 1-0

Last game: Brownfield 21-6; Shallowater 35-32

Last meeting/series: Shallowater defeated Greenwood 63-27 last year and leads the all-time series 3-2

Weather forecast: Temperature in the mid 60s with a wind around 21 mph and a 40 percent chance of showers

Five things you need to know

■ The Rangers turned the ball over eight times against Brownfield, including six lost fumbles and two interceptions.

■ Most of Greenwood's offense last week came on the ground as the Rangers rushed for 243 of their 261 total yards. Junior RB Jake Rogers led the way with 183 yards on 28 carries.

■ Greenwood is still expected to be without senior two way starters J.P. Contreras (concussion) and Austin Ulcak (knee) this week.

■ Shalowater pulled off the victory over Levelland last week thanks to a trick play in the fourth quarter. No other information from that game was available.

■ This game features a Class 4A opponent against a Class 3A opponent as Greenwood is out of District 2-4A Division II, while Shallowater is out of District 2-3A Division I.

Next: Greenwood at San Angelo Lake View, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19; Shallowater at Lubbock Estacado, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19

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Midland Christian's Johnny Wilson (72) reacts on the sidelines during the game against Calvary Baptist on Thursday at Jerry Barker Stadium in Shreveport, La.

MUSTANGS

From 1C

ing to score and on defense we were going to get some stops, but we didn't."

Patterson accounted for five touchdowns against the Mustangs (1-1), and all but one came after a Midland Christian turnover. The Mustangs had four interceptions and two fumbles, and Midland Christian turned the ball over four times in the third quarter, allowing the Cavaliers (2-0) to break the game open with 28 points. Cavalry Baptist led at half 15-3.

Patterson threw two touchdown passes in the third quarter quarter, one to running back Orlando Bradford and the other to wide receiver Shun Brown. Bradford also scored on a 30-yard run as he broke the tackles of a gassed Midland Christian defense. Patterson also added a 4-yard run with 2:15 remaining in the quarter that ended the scoring onslaught.

During the third quarter, the Cavaliers started their four scoring drives on the MCS 46 (interception), 23 (interception), 34 (fumble) and 20 (fumble).

The Mustangs' offense struggled much of the night to find its legs. Garry Powell threw four interceptions and completed 9-of-18 passes for 91 yards, and the Mustangs also had two fumbles.

"Those turnovers were huge, and our defense played ridiculously well," said Patterson, who completed 11-of-16 passes for 174 yards. "It definitely gave us a big boost on offense, and that's that reason we had so much success. You've got to score and capitalize on the turnovers."

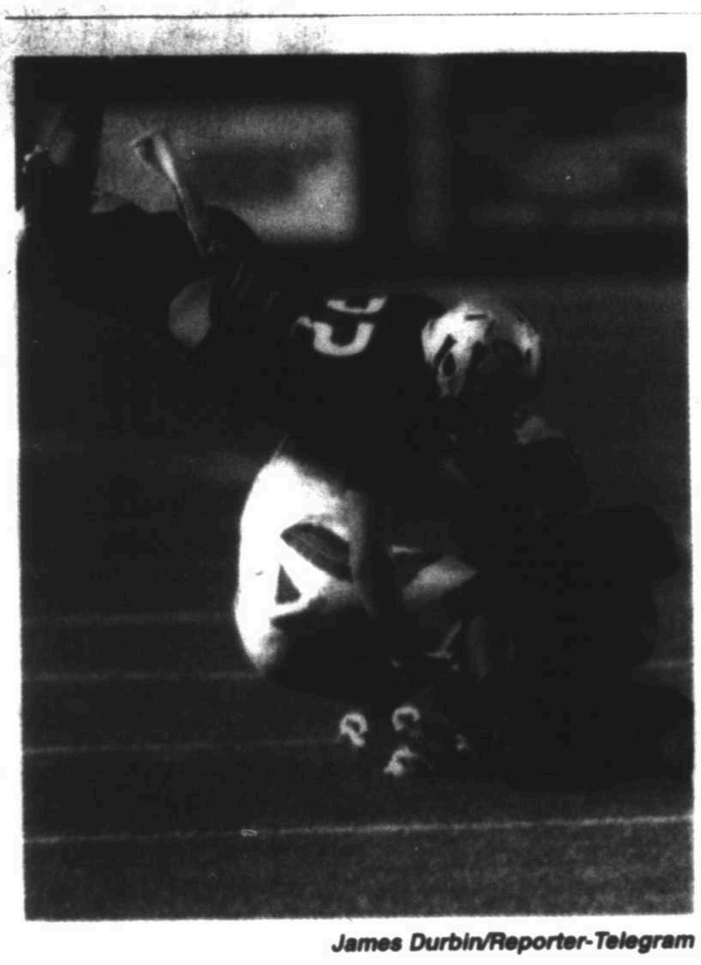
The Mustangs' first turnover, an interception, might have been the most costly.

Cavalier defensive lineman Andre Ealy, who is listed at 6-foot-3, 330 pounds, stepped in front of an attempted screen pass and then rumbled eight yards to set up the Cavaliers at the Midland Christian 46.

One play later, Patterson was flushed out of the pocket and threw a dart to Brown at about the 10-yard line, and he cruised in the end zone for the touchdown. The Cavaliers converted a two-point attempt and led 15-0 with 10:08 remaining in the second quarter. From that point on, the Mustangs were playing catch-up.

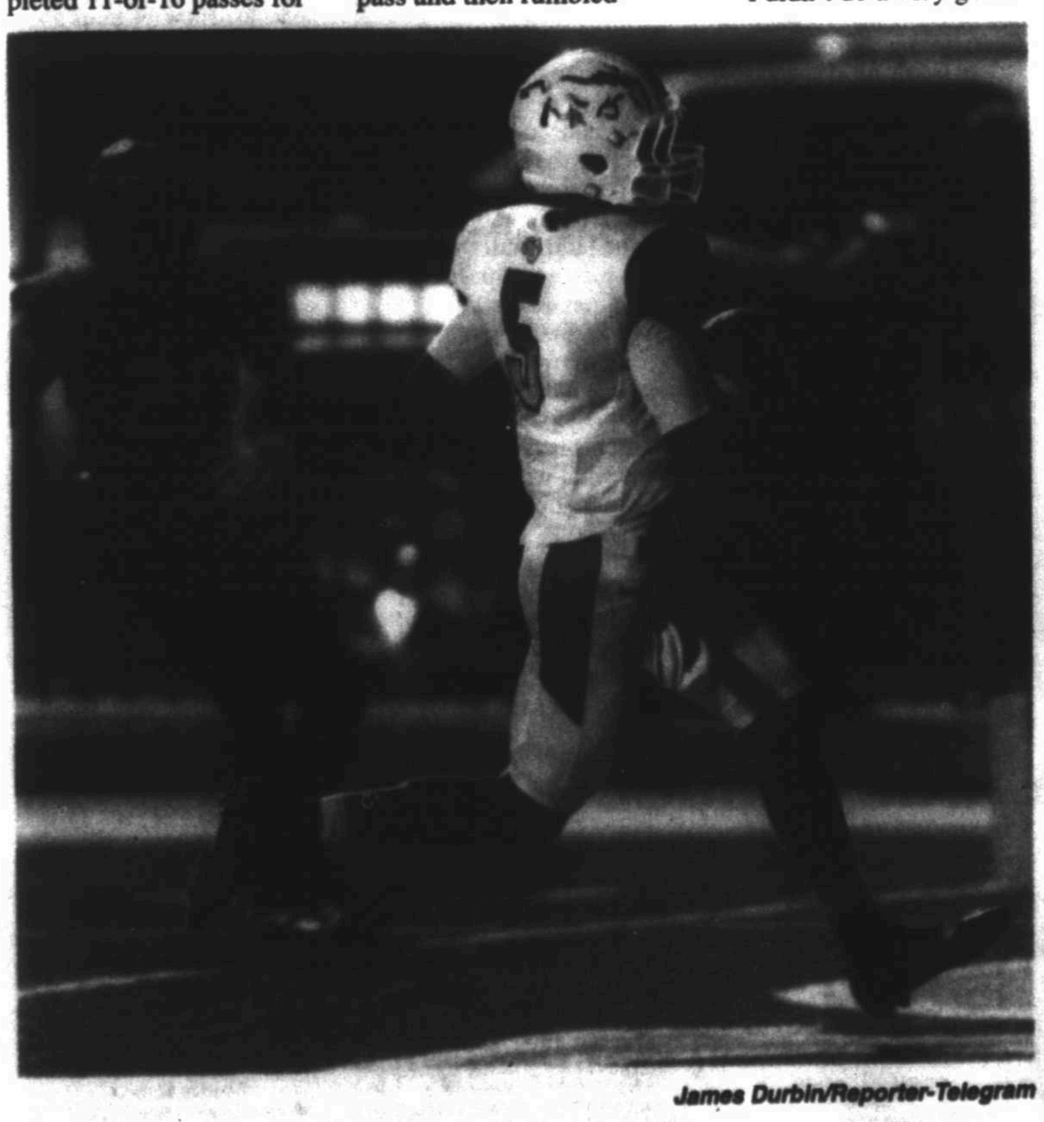
"I didn't do a very good job of coaching and having our team ready to go," Midland Christian coach Greg McClendon said. "Our defense did a really good job on the first couple of drives, stopping a really good offense and gave us good field position. But we went right out and did nothing with it. We didn't have good execution as a football team and we've got to be better than that."

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Midland Christian's AJ Brown, center, is taken down by Calvary Baptist's Jared Brown, left, and Chanse Sylvie, right, on Thursday at Jerry Barker Stadium in Shreveport, La.



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Midland Christian's Garry Powell runs the ball in for a touchdown against Calvary Baptist on Thursday at Jerry Barker Stadium in Shreveport, La.

SHREVEPORT CALVARY BAPTIST 43, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 17

MCS	0	3	0	14	—17
Calvary Baptist	7	8	28	0	—43

First Quarter

CB — Shun Brown 37 pass from Shea Patterson (Trevor Stevens kick), :05.

Second Quarter

CB — Brown 46 pass from Patterson (David Fitzwater pass from Jake Bartley), 9:58.

MCS — FG Causey 38, :00.

Third Quarter

CB — Orlando Bradford 7 pass from Patterson (Stevens kick), 8:25.

CB — Brown 7 pass from Patterson (Stevens kick), 6:48.

CB — Bradford 30 run (Stevens kick), 4:46.

CB — Shea Patterson 4 run (Stevens kick), 2:15.

Fourth Quarter

MCS — Justin Fender 2 run (Causey kick), 9:32.

MCS — Garry Powell 22 run (Causey kick), 4:10.

	MCS	CB
First Downs	16	12
Rushes-Yards	37-242	28-17
Passing Yards	91	174
Comp.-Att.-Int.	9-18-4	11-16-0
Punts-Avg.	3-22	4-29.5
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	3-0
Penalties-Yds	7-49	2-15

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING — Midland Christian: McLaine Manna 2-5; Davis Fender 1-13; Garry Powell 7-70; Semeon Mayberry 9-87; Justin Fender 18-64. Calvary Baptist: Orlando Bradford 11-59; Shea Patterson 5-4; Kyle Jones 3-15; Jake Bartley 1-4; Kordavian Washington 6-21.

PASSING — Midland Christian: Garry Powell 9-18-4-91. Calvary Baptist: Patterson 11-16-0-174; Jake Bartley 0-0-0-0; Brenden Carter 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING — Midland Christian: Reagan Brown 4-56; Zyan Burdett 1-1; Manna 1-11; Bryan Nguyen 1-15; Cody Wolfe 1-2; Cameron Lawrence 1-16. Calvary Baptist: Shun Brown 6-115; Bartley 2-30; Bradford 2-30; Caleb Ryan 1-1.

MISSED FIELD GOALS — None.

INTERCEPTIONS — Calvary Baptist: Andre Ealy 1-8; Jared Brown 2-3; Jacorey Fuller 1-0.

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ABILENE HIGH VS. ABILENE COOPER

When/Where: 7:30 p.m. Shotwell Stadium, Abilene
On the air: KZQQ (1560 AM) Abilene
Records: Abilene High 2-0, Abilene Cooper 0-2
Last Game: Abilene High 38, San Antonio Warren 7; Vandergrift 35, Abilene Cooper 21
Weather Forecast: High of 84, 50 percent chance of rain

Three things you need to know

■ Cooper has struggled early this season, losing its first two games by a combined score of 56-28. Cooper has averaged nine wins a year since 2008, so history says it will likely get things back on track soon. But it's a tough thing to ask this week against an Eagles team that's flying high.

■ For only the third year since Abilene Cooper began fielding a varsity football team, the Cougars and Eagles are not in the same district. With the 2014 realignment, Cooper dropped down to Class 5A while Abilene High remained in the largest classification, which is now 6A.

■ As good as Abilene High has been over the years under Steve Warren, Cooper has always played the Eagles tough. In Warren's in 19-year tenure, Abilene High is only 10-8 against its crosstown rivals, with Cooper downing the Eagles 56-31 last season.

Next: Abilene High vs. L.D. Bell, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 19; Abilene Cooper at South Grand Prairie, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 19.



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Trinity's Ethan Samuels, right, tries to get away from Rankin's Zebby Hultron on Sept. 5 at Red Devil Stadium in Rankin. Trinity hosts Grandfalls-Royalty today while Rankin plays Borden County.

SAN ANGELO CENTRAL VS. EL PASO FRANKLIN

When/Where: 8 p.m. (CST), Watson Stadium. Hobbs, N.M.
On the air: KIXY (94.7 FM) San Angelo
Records: San Angelo Central 2-0, El Paso Franklin 1-1
Last Game: San Angelo Central 35, Trophy Club Byron Nelson 28; Las Cruces Mayfield (N.M.) 62, El Paso Franklin 55
Weather Forecast: High of 72, 50 percent chance of rain

Three things you need to know

■ For the second week in a row, the Bobcats will take a long road trip. This time, instead of traveling four hours east, they'll travel northwest to play Franklin. But instead of playing at Franklin, the game will be contested in Hobbs, New Mexico, making Central the only team in District 3-6A to play out of the state this season.

■ Under Brent Davis, the Bobcats are 5-3 against schools from El Paso. The results against El Paso on a yearly basis largely reflect Central's overall success those seasons. In 2011 and 2013, when Central was a combined 19-5, the Bobcats went 4-0 against schools from El Paso. In 2010 and 2012, when Central finished a combined 11-12, it was 1-3 against schools from El Paso.

■ Central is 2-3 all-time against Franklin, and the Bobcats won their last meeting in 2013, 71-55.

Next: San Angelo Central vs. Frenship, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 19; El Paso Franklin at Midland High, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 19.

ODESSA HIGH VS. AMARILLO TASCOSA

When/Where: 7:30 p.m., Ratliff Stadium, Odessa
On the air: KMCM (96.9 FM) Odessa
Records: Odessa High 2-0; Amarillo Tascosa 2-0
Last Game: Odessa High 42, Lubbock Coronado 38; Amarillo Tascosa 20, Wichita Falls 16
Weather Forecast: High of 75, 70 percent chance of rain

Three things you need to know

■ Odessa High has had some great running backs in years prior, and now Sebastian Galindo is making a dash to join that lofty list. Through two games, Galindo has already rushed for 561 yards in 2014 and is on pace for 2,805 yards, which would smash the school record of 2,226. He's sure to cool a bit, but the Bronchos are running the ball with authority early in the year.

■ With two wins this season, the Rebels are only one victory shy of matching their win-total from a season ago. Tascosa's win over a talented Wichita Falls team was big last week. The Coyotes are one of the better programs in 5A, and the win will do well for the Rebels' confidence moving forward.

■ Under head coach Ron King, the Bronchos have only lost to Tascosa twice, with the two losses coming in King's first two seasons in 2006 and 2007.

Next: Odessa High at Amarillo, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 19; Amarillo Tascosa at Canyon, 7:00 p.m., Sept. 19.

ODESSA PERMIAN AT EL PASO AMERICAS

When/Where: 8 p.m, SAC Complex, El Paso
On the air: KICKS (99.1 FM) Odessa
Records: Odessa Permian 2-0; El Paso Americas 1-1
Last Game: Odessa Permian 44, Veterans Memorial 8; Rio Rancho (N.M.) 46, El Paso Americas 18.
Weather Forecast: High of 82, 50 percent chance of rain

Three things you need to know

■ This is the first time Odessa Permian has started a season 2-0 since 2008. That season, the Panthers finished 12-1 with their only loss coming by six in the playoffs to Allen, the eventual state champions.

■ Permian is 0-3 against teams from El Paso since 2012. In the years between 1960 and 2012, the Panthers did not drop a game to a team from El Paso.

■ El Paso Americas' game against Permian will be its first conteswt against a team from Texas in 2014 despite playing twice already.

The Trail Blazers opened the season with two games against opponents from New Mexico.

Next: Odessa Permain vs. El Paso Coronado, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 19; El Paso Americas at Midland Christian, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 19.

LEVELLAND VS. ANDREWS

When/where: 7:30 p.m., Mustang Bowl, Andrews
On the air: KACT FM (105.5), KACT AM (1360), Andrews
Records: Andrews 2-0; Levelland 0-2
Last game: Andrews 60, Lubbock High 8; Shallowater 35, Levelland 32
Last meeting: Levelland defeated Andrews 41-20, but Andrews owns the all-time series 24-12.
Weather forecast: Temperatures in the mid 60s and a 70 percent chance of rain at kickoff.

Three things you need to know

■ Andrews coach Ralph Mason said his Mustangs played very well in all three phases of the game — offense, defense and special teams — against the Westerners and that contributed to the blowout victory.

QB Jase Hammack passed for 263 yards and three touchdowns, while RB Torey Kelly added 127 yards rushing and three touchdowns.

■ Mason said the Lobos, who run the ball a lot out of the spread, are a talented team that's trying to get over the hump after losing two games by a combined five points, including a loss to Shallowater on a trick play in the fourth quarter.

"(Coach Jared Sanderson) has got them playing hard and probably should be 2-0 at this point," Mason said.

■ Levelland sophomore QB Nick Gerber threw for 268 yards and two touchdowns, to go with 150 yards rushing and a TD against Shallowater.

Next: Andrews at Monahans, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19; Brownfield at Levelland, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19

STANTON VS. FORSAN

When/where: 7:30 p.m., Buffalo Stadium, Forsan
On the air: The Fuse (94.3 FM), Big Spring; KXCS (105.5 FM), Big Spring
Records: Stanton 2-0; Forsan 1-1
Last game: Stanton 35, Wink 26; Forsan 57, Plains 0
Last meeting: Stanton defeated Forsan, 35-6, last year and leads the all-time series, 16-5
Weather forecast: Temperatures in the upper 60s with a 60 percent chance of rain.

Three things you need to know

■ Stanton scored 11 unanswered points in the fourth quarter to pull out the victory over Wink.

QB K.J. Glaspie threw for 240 yards with two touchdowns and added a rushing TD. WR Jonathon Tomlinson caught four passes for 130 yards and a TD.

■ Forsan rolled past Plains by dominating the ground game, averaging 8.4 yards per carry in the win. Defensively, the Buffaloes dominated the Cowboys and the unit has allowed only six points in two games.

■ Stanton coach John Peterson said he expects this to be another four-quarter game for his team.

"We need to go out there and execute our game plan on offense, and defensively we need to get a few stops," he said.

Next: Abernathy at Stanton, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19; Reagan County at Forsan, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19

COAHOMA VS. REAGAN COUNTY

When/where: 7:30 p.m., James H. Bird Memorial Stadium, Big Lake
On the air: KBST (1490 AM), Big Spring
Records: Coahoma 2-0; Reagan County 2-0
Last game: Coahoma 38, McCamey 7; Reagan County 7, Eldorado 0
Last meeting: Reagan County defeated Coahoma 8-6 and leads the all-time series 13-9
Weather forecast: Temperatures in the lower 70s with a 50 percent chance of rain

Three things you need to know

■ Coahoma is off to its best start since 2009, when the Bulldogs also started 2-0.

■ The Bulldogs rushed for all of their 262 yards against the Badgers, as RB Kyler Franks rushed for 139 yards and two TDs on 10 carries to go with a 66-yard fumble return for another score.

Defensively, Coahoma held McCamey to 190 total yards.

■ Coahoma coach Trey Gardner said the Owls kind of resemble his team in that they run the football a lot. He said the game will be determined by which offensive line can control the line of scrimmage and said it's going to be important to run the football effectively.

Next: Miles at Coahoma, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19; Reagan County at Forsan, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19

RANKIN AT BORDEN COUNTY

When/where: 7:30 p.m. Coyote Stadium, Gail
Records: Rankin 2-0, Borden County 2-0
Last game: Rankin 50, Trinity 36; Borden County 72, Lueders Avoca 22
Last meeting: Rankin beat Borden County, 72-22, in 2013; Borden County leads the overall series 3-2
Weather forecast: A high around 73 with a 90 percent chance of rain

Three things you need to know

■ This game is a battle between two of the area's top six-man programs. Rankin is coming off a pair of tight victories against Balmorhea and Trinity, while Borden County has won its two games by 33 and 50 points.

■ Rankin coach Kevin Ray said Borden County will be one of the best teams his squad will face this season, and said they will have to find a way to contain their speed. "I know we beat them pretty bad last year, but as the season went on they were getting better and better," Ray said. "They became a really dangerous team by the end of the year."

■ Sophomore Hunter Jones lead the Coyotes last season throwing for more than 1,500 yards as a freshman.

Next: Rankin at Grady, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19; Borden County at New Home, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19

LUBBOCK KINGDOM PREP AT GRADY

When/where: 7:30 p.m. Tunnell Field, Lenorah
Records: Grady 0-1, Lubbock Kingdom Prep 2-0
Last game: Ira 76, Grady 26; Lubbock Kingdom Prep 19, Hart 18
Last meeting: First meeting between the two schools
Weather forecast: A high of 77 is expected with windy conditions and a 70 percent chance of rain.

Three things you need to know

■ The Wildcats return to action this week looking to bounce back from a mercy-rule loss to No. 1 Ira. Grady coach Chris Kuykendall said his squad had a chance to get to within a touchdown in the first half, but then lost its composure late in the game.

■ Kuykendall said Grady's depth and speed should be an advantage in today's game. Although, he did say E.J. Rodriguez, Cameron Seiffert and Javier Reyna will sit out the first half of today's game. "They don't have a lot of numbers, and they only have nine or 10 guys total," Kuykendall said.

■ Kingdom Prep has opened its season by beating Loop 66-36 and Hart 19-18. The Warriors compete in TAPPS Six-Man Division I District 1.

Next: Rankin at Grady, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19; Lubbock Christ the King at Lubbock Kingdom Prep, 2 p.m. Sept. 27

GARDEN CITY AT STERLING CITY

When/where: 7:30 p.m. Eagle Stadium, Sterling City
Records: Garden City 2-0, Sterling City 2-0
Last game: Garden City 75, Eden 14; Sterling City 76, Zephyr 26
Last meeting: Garden City won, 52-0, in 2013; Sterling City leads the overall series 44-26-2 and dates back to 1938
Weather forecast: A high of 81 degrees is expected and with an 80 percent chance of rain.

Three things you need to know

■ Tonight's game marks the 73rd meeting between these two long-time rivals. The Eagles hold the overall lead in this series which dates back to before World War II, but since the two teams have played six-man it's been Garden City that has dominated. The Bearkats are 6-1 since 2008 when the two team renewed the series as six-man squads.

■ Garden City has had two mercy-rule victories against Zephyr and Eden to start the year, but coach Matt Odom said today's game will be a little different in terms of competition.

"They are much improved from last year, and their new coach (Casey Thompson) has done a great job in the past year, and I knew he would," Odom said. "They are much bigger, much stronger and have a lot of team speed. It's the first real big game of the year for us on the road."

■ Eagles spread back Mitchell McGuire threw for 250 yards and rushed for 200 in the Sterling City's victory last week against Zephyr. He also accounted for seven touchdowns in the victory.

Next: Garden City at Highland, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19; Sterling City at Paint Rock, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19

GRANDFALLS-ROYALTY AT TRINITY

When/where: 7:30 p.m. Coombes Field
Records: Trinity 1-1, Grandfalls-Royalty 2-0
Last game: Rankin 50, Trinity 36; Grandfalls-Royalty 54, Fort Hancock 6
Last meeting: Trinity beat Grandfalls-Royalty 65-40 in 2011; the series is tied 2-2
Weather forecast: A high around 80 degrees is expected with windy conditions, and a 70 percent chance of rain

Three things you need to know

■ The Chargers will play host to the defending Six-Man Division II state champions this week in the Cowboys. Grandfalls-Royalty has notched wins over Fort Hancock and Sanderson by mercy-rule the first two weeks of the season. The Cowboys are also coached by former Grady head coach Joe Helms.

■ Trinity enters today's game a little frustrated after taking a fourth quarter lead into last week's game against Rankin, only to see the Red Devils score three times in the final period to win the game.

■ Chargers coach Antwan Alexander said that the Cowboys don't have many kids, but are a team that plays hard and believes in what they are doing. The squad's top two players return from last season's state title team is senior WR/S Julian Helms and DL Austin Perryan.

Next: Lubbock Christ the King at Trinity, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19; Marfa at Grandfalls-Royalty, 7:30 p.m. Sept. 19

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LEE

From 1C

Division 1 talent, as recent alumni of note include Chase Daniel, Greg McElroy, Riley Dodge, Scott Chandler and Kenny Hill.

The current Carroll offense is led by quarterback Ryan Agnew, who is in his second season at the helm under center. With offers thus far from Houston, Navy and Texas State, Agnew is just another in the Dragons' long line of successful passers.

Euless Trinity head coach Steve Lineweaver, a former Carroll assistant, said the Dragons' consistently excellent quarterback play is why the offense hums.

"Their quarterback is always so accurate," Lineweaver said. "I'm talking college accurate, down the field, on the money. They can throw them all."

Lineweaver's sentiment toward stopping Carroll's passing game is of containment. He said there is no way to truly halt it, only to hinder the pace and rhythm. In order to do so, Lineweaver recommends a defense be as flexible as possible, showing the offense Carroll looks so the offense never falls into a comfort zone against one set of plays.

Euless Trinity performed the game plan perfectly in the 2012 playoffs, holding Carroll to just 16 points in a 16-7 loss.

But the paramount strategy for containing the Dragons is limiting the big play. Carroll can harm teams in two ways for big yardage, with long passes over the top — the more preventable variety — and consistent short gains, which will occasionally result in a long gash.

Lineweaver said if teams can limit the number of explosive plays from Carroll's offense, the defense at least has a chance.

Against Carroll's defense

Carroll's offense isn't particularly flashy, but it's nothing compared to the relatively benign nature of the defense. The Dragons' base 4-3 is far from complicated, but it's executed efficiently with the experienced meticulousness of a team that's been ingrained in the system since junior high.

The Dragons will switch out of the 4-3 to adjust to three and four wide receiver sets, but mostly, they will sit in the base and shift to the right position depending on the opponent's play call. And with the way the Carroll coordinators and players study film, they're almost always in the correct spot.

Simplicity helps opponents prepare for Carroll, but the team is so talented it almost always has little to no effect.

"They're so disciplined and sound, you know where they're going to be," said DeSoto offensive coordinator Todd Peterman, "When you have great athletes you can be real basic."

Petterman's offense hung 49 points on Carroll in a fourth-round playoff win in 2012, and he said the key to the team's success was tempo.

"Our tempo was the key," Petterman said. "We were in better shape than them when we played."

There are not many teams in better shape than Carroll, and for those that aren't, Petterman said the key is directing the tempo and ideally controlling possession to keep the Dragon offense off the field. Petterman said even with a fast pace, DeSoto still ran the ball close to 50 times in the game.

Lineweaver said the Trojans wanted to show Carroll multiple looks at a frequent rate. This is designed to force what would be usually be automatic reactions from the Dragons' defense to slow by important fractions of a second.

"You better be way better athletically, because they're going to be sound," Lineweaver said. "They're so well coached and they're going to be so quick in reading the play, you better have a couple of wrinkles to get them off their feet because they're so quick in getting to the ball."

3-6A standings

Team	District		Overall	
Abilene High	0	0	2	0
Midland High	0	0	2	0
Odessa High	0	0	2	0
San Angelo Central	0	0	2	0
Odessa Permian	0	0	2	0
Lee	0	0	1	1

Friday, Sept. 5
El Paso Coronado 46, Lee 32
Midland High 34, El Paso Montwood 21
Abilene High 38, San Antonio Warren 7
Odessa High 42, Lubbock Coronado 38
Saturday, Sept. 6
San Angelo Central 35, Trophy Club Byron Nelson 28
Odessa Permian 44, Missions Memorial 8
Today's Games
Southlake Carroll at Lee, 7:30 p.m.
Midland High at Hurst L.D. Bell, 7:30 p.m.
Abilene Cooper vs. Abilene High, 7:30 p.m.
El Paso Franklin vs. San Angelo Central, 7 p.m., Hobbs, N.M.
Amarillo Tascosa at Odessa High, 7:30 p.m.
Odessa Permian at El Paso Americas, 8 p.m.

Is victory possible for Lee?

Lee has the tradition to matchup with Carroll, but does it have the players?

Senior defensive lineman T.J. Soto believes so.

"They're 17, 18 and 16-year-olds," Soto said. "They're the same age as us; there ain't nothing better about them. We feel like we can compete on any given day."

The Rebels lost by a combined total of 120-21 in their two games against the Dragons last season, but they expect a better result this time around.

For both DeSoto and Euless Trinity, a late turnover was needed for the teams to edge out a win. If Lee could stick around that long, it would be more than happy to tempt fate on the whim of a timely change of possession.

But without a sound game plan and great athletes, a late lucky break won't matter for the Rebels.

"You have to play up that level," said Allen head coach Tom Westerberg. "If you don't have the talent level you better figure out how to get your kids up that way, otherwise you're going to have a rough go of it."

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LEE VS. NO. 7 SOUTHLAKE CARROLL

When/Where: 7:30 p.m., Grande Communications Stadium
On the air: KNFM (92.3) FM
Records: Lee 1-1; Southlake Carroll 2-0
Last Game: El Paso Coronado 46, Lee 32; Southlake Carroll 42, Union (Oklahoma) 41.
Last Meeting/Series: Southlake Carroll defeated Lee 57-7. Lee leads the all-time series 4-0.
Weather Forecast: High of 81, 40 percent chance of thunderstorms

Five things you need to know

■ Lee head coach James Morton said it's a huge benefit to schedule a team with the quality of a Southlake Carroll. He said many of the benefits come after the game, even if it's a loss.

"In my philosophy it's about winning championships; winning district championships, winning state championships," Morton said. "And you don't get there by playing a non-district schedule and being 5-0."

■ Morton said his focus this week will be to scale his playbook down some after the has issues Lee had the previous week with El Paso Coronado. He subscribes to the theory that when a team struggles, it's better to narrow the focus and make sure a team gets really good at less things instead of remaining average at many.

■ The Dragons have won their first two games this year, but they've been by the slimmest of margins. Southlake Carroll won its opening game against Westlake by just three points, and the next week cut it even closer, clipping Oklahoma powerhouse Union by one.

■ Southlake Carroll and Lee are the only two schools in Texas 5A history to have won three straight state titles. Lee had their three-peat from 1998-2000, while Carroll won three straight from 2004-2006.

■ Lee and Southlake Carroll have played four times in the school's history, but this is the first time the Dragons have come to Midland for a game.

Next: Lee at El Paso El Dorado, 7 p.m., Sept. 19; Southlake Carroll vs. Abilene High, 7:30 p.m., Sept. 19.

THURSDAY'S STATEWIDE HIGH SCHOOL SCORES

AP TOP 10

Class 6A
1. Allen (2-0) at McKinney Boyd, today.
2. Katy (2-0) at The Woodlands, today.
3. Cedar Hill (2-0) at Dallas Skyline, today.
4. DeSoto (2-0) vs. Dallas South Oak Cliff, Saturday.
5. Euless Trinity (3-0) beat Lancaster 24-7.
6. Cibolo Steele (2-0) vs. SA Northside O'Connor, today.
7. Southlake Carroll (2-0) at Midland Lee, today.
8. Pearland (3-0) beat Pasadena Dobie 49-9.
9. Manvel (2-0) idle.
10. Denton Guyer (1-1) vs. WF Rider, today.

Class 5A
1. Tyler (2-0) at Tyler Lee, today.
2. Lufkin (2-0) at John Curtis Christian, La., Saturday.
3. Mansfield Timberview (2-1) lost to Hewitt Midway (Waco) 41-34.
4. Aledo (1-1) vs. Monterrey Tech, Mexico, today.
5. Cedar Park (1-1) vs. Round Rock Westwood, today.
6. Lancaster (2-1) lost to Euless Trinity 24-7.
7. Temple (1-1) at Bryan, today.
8. Georgetown (2-0) vs. Pflugerville, today.
9. Fort Bend Elkins (2-0) vs. A&M Consolidated, Saturday.
10. Rockwall-Heath (1-1) at Garland, Thursday.

Class 4A
1. Stephenville (2-0) at Everman, today.
2. Navasota (2-0) vs. Coldspring-Oakhurst, today.
3. Argyle (2-0) vs. Celina, today.
4. Graham (2-0) at Abilene Wylie, today.
5. Gilmer (2-0) at Tatum, today.
6. West Orange-Stark (2-0) at Jasper, today.
7. Celina (2-0) at Argyle, today.
8. La Vernia (2-0) at La Grange, today.
9. Carthage (1-1) vs. Nacogdoches, today.
10. Kennedale (2-0) vs. FW Dunbar, today.

Class 3A
1. Cisco (2-0) vs. Comanche, today.
2. Franklin (2-0) vs. Arp, today.
3. Rockdale (2-0) vs. Salado, today.
4. Wall (1-1) at Sonora, today.
5. Corrigan-Camden (2-0) at Trinity, today.
6. Cameron Yoe (1-1) vs. China Spring, today.
7. Kirbyville (2-0) at Deweyville, today.
8. Waskom (1-1) vs. Hughes Springs, today.
9. Teague (2-0) at Groesbeck, today.
10. Malakoff (2-0) at Kerens, today.

Class 2A
1. Refugio (2-0) idle.
2. Mart (2-0) at McGregor, today.
3. Tenaha (2-0) vs. Shelbyville, today.
4. Canadian (2-0) vs. Perryton, today.
5. Bremond (2-0) vs. Hubbard, today.
6. Albany (2-0) vs. Roby, today.
7. Shiner (2-0) at Goliad, today.
8. Mason (2-0) vs. Comfort, today.
9. Crawford (2-0) vs. Clifton, today.
10. Centerville (1-1) vs. Marlin, today.

THURSDAY'S SCORES

Class 6A
CC King 28, Weslaco 7
Converse Judson 44, SA Johnson 7
Del Valle 33, Austin Akins 25
Denton Ryan 36, Wylie East 26
Euless Trinity 24, Lancaster 7
Fort Bend Kempner 47, Fort Bend Clements 40
Hewitt Midway (Waco) 41, Mansfield Timberview 34
Humble Kingwood 31, Friendswood 19
Irving Nimitz 45, FW Haltom 0
Katy Taylor 14, The Woodlands College Park 13
Keller Timber Creek 37, Irving 16
Killeen Harker Heights 52, Waco University 13
Pearland 49, Pasadena Dobie 9
SA Churchill 35, SA Northside Taft 7
Schertz Clemens 17, SA Northside Stevens 0
Spring 13, Aldine Eisenhower 2
Spring Westfield 36, Galena Park North Shore 27

CLASS 5A
Canyon Randall 22, Lubbock Monterey 10
Carrollton Smith 17, McKinney 7
Edinburg Vela 59, La Joya 7
Frisco Heritage 27, Lewisville The Colony 20
Frisco Lone Star 21, Frisco Wakeland 13
Georgetown East View 50, Austin Crockett 16
Houston Spring Woods 47, Houston Milby 7
Mission Sharyland 28, Brownsville Rivera 7
Rockwall-Heath 21, Garland 14
Seagoville 28, Dallas Adams 27
Waller 51, Baytown Lee 27

CLASS A
Guthrie 66, Aspermont 19
Jayton 57, Wilson 8
Newcastle 72, Haskell Paint Creek 0
Rotan 56, Spur 41

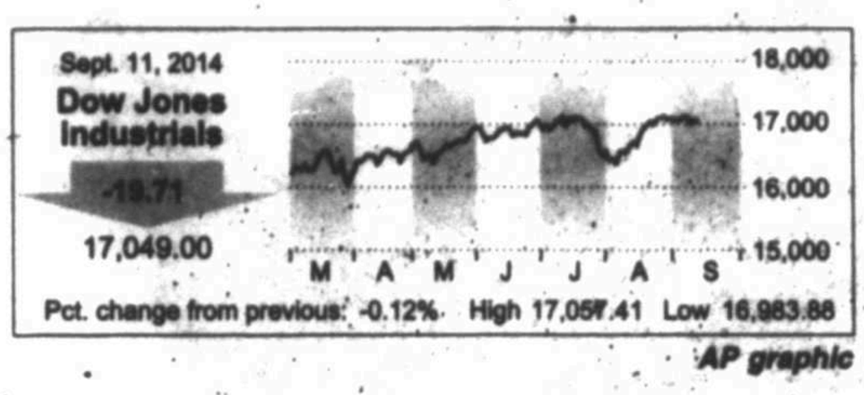
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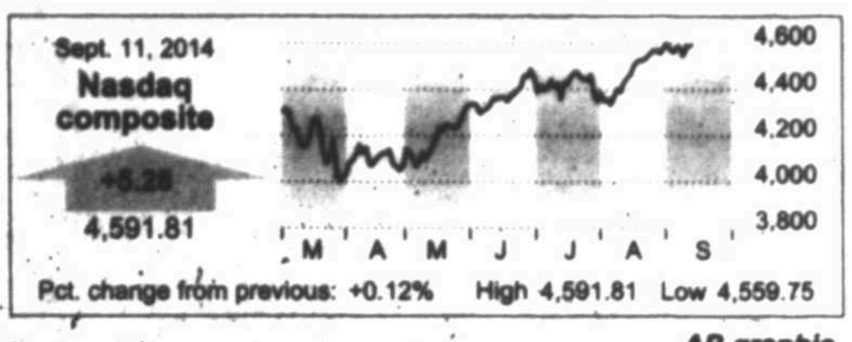
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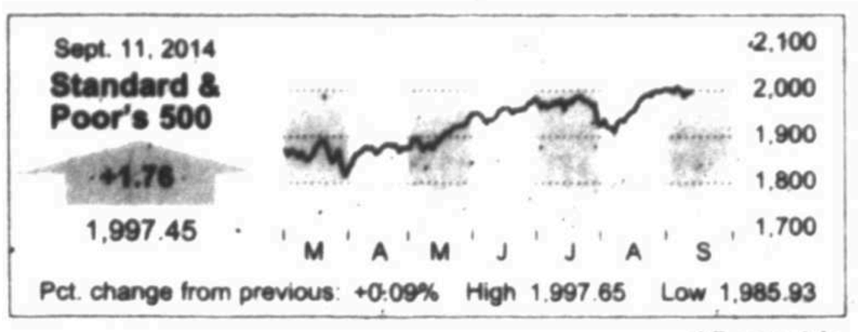
A DAY ON WALL STREET



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OIL PRICES

FUTURES
Thursday: $92.83
Previous: $91.67

POSTED
Thursday: $89.50
Previous: $88.00

WEST TEXAS SOUR
Thursday: $80.40
Previous: $78.90

NATURAL GAS
Thursday: $3.823
Previous: $3.954

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	706758	16.36	+.22
S&P500ETF	630323	200.07	+.75
Sprint	547562	6.15	+.38
iShEMkts	540248	44.56	-.19
RiteAid	385546	6.46	+.16

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
EKodak wt	10.06	+1.41	+16.3
DaqoNEn	47.11	+5.94	+14.4
SilvrSpNet	11.77	+1.24	+11.8
PaloAltNet	98.75	+9.47	+10.6
ChiMYWnd	3.30	+.28	+9.3

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
PulseElect	2.42	-.68	-21.9
AnglogldA	13.07	-2.42	-15.6
500.com n	33.05	-2.89	-8.0
Autohme n	43.17	-3.63	-7.8
MarcMill n	27.31	-2.03	-6.9

DIARY

Advanced	1,655
Declined	1,463
Unchanged	112
Total issues	3,230
New Highs	55
New Lows	51
Volume	2,847,075,076

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
VantageDrl	40917	1.79	-.02
Globalstar	40890	3.75	-.01
B2gold g	39508	2.18	-.05
NwGold g	30044	5.99	-.04
ElephTalk	24497	1.12	+.13

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SupDrill n	7.06	+.69	+10.8
Organovo	7.61	+.62	+8.9
SwedLC22	30.46	+2.49	+8.9
TanzRy g	2.18	+.15	+7.4
Intellchk rs	5.27	+.35	+7.1

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
AvalonHld	3.66	-.54	-12.9
Richmnt g	2.29	-.22	-8.8
RetractTc	3.01	-.20	-6.2
TrioTch	4.62	-.30	-6.1
MexcoEn	7.50	-.45	-5.7

DIARY

Advanced	190
Declined	202
Unchanged	31
Total issues	423
New Highs	4
New Lows	13
Volume	83,881,057

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Apple Inc s	974238	101.00	+3.01
GT AdvTc	396468	12.78	-2.16
21Vianet	347003	20.12	-1.76
OnTrack	316437	3.55	+.23
eBay	298447	51.10	-1.63

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
NetElem	3.80	+2.07	+119.7
Inventergy	2.18	+.46	+26.7
NPS Phm	32.24	+6.47	+25.1
Receptos	58.28	+11.23	+23.9
LilisEn lf	2.18	+.42	+23.9

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
RXi Pharm	2.44	-1.11	-31.3
SinoCoking	5.37	-1.72	-24.3
StreamHlth	4.15	-.76	-15.5
GT AdvTc	12.78	-2.16	-14.5
MGC Diag	6.99	-1.15	-14.1

DIARY

Advanced	1,644
Declined	1,048
Unchanged	129
Total issues	2,821
New Highs	54
New Lows	63
Volume	1,764,968,737

Government tightens rules on workplace death reporting

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Tightening its standards, the government issued new regulations Thursday that will require managers to file a detailed report within eight hours on fatal workplace accidents.

Severe on-the-job injuries that do not result in deaths but require hospitalization must be reported within 24 hours, under the new rules which take effect Jan. 1.

Such reports must be filed regardless of the size of the business to the Labor Department's Occupational Safety and Health Administration.

Previously, OSHA's regulations required such reports only if three or more workers were killed or hospitalized as a result of a workplace accident.

"We can and must do more to keep America's workers safe and healthy," Labor Secretary Thomas E. Perez said in a statement. "Workplace injuries and fatalities are absolutely preventable, and these new requirements will help OSHA focus its resources and hold employers accountable for preventing them."

The 24-hour reporting requirement includes work-related hospitalizations, amputations or losses of an eye, an OSHA statement said.

The new rule follows the release earlier in the day of a Bureau of Labor Statistics report that 4,405 workers were killed on the job in the United States in 2013.

Reporting single-instance hospitalizations, amputations or loss of an eye was not required under the previous rule.

Such severe injuries can be clear signals "that serious hazards are likely to be present at a workplace and that an intervention is warranted to protect the other workers at the establishment," said Dr. David Michaels, assistant secretary of labor for occupational safety and health.

"Most employers, I think, are really shocked and affected significantly when a worker is injured. And they want to make sure that never happens again," Michaels said in a conference call with reporters. "We can now help them immediately" to make their workplaces safer.

James Brudney, a labor and employment law professor at Fordham University in New York, said many states already have such requirements on the books and "this strikes me as a relatively modest reform."

"I think the point of reporting requirements is to both give the federal agency that's charged with assuring or improving workplace safety adequate, complete data, and also, the businesses involved have the opportunity, by gathering this data, to reflect a little bit on what's happening in their own businesses," Brudney said.

The new rule maintains the current exemption for any employer with 10 or fewer workers from the requirement to routinely keep records of worker injuries and illnesses.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce expressed reservations about the new regulations.

Requiring reports when a single employee is hospitalized "brings into play questions about whether the hospitalization is work related," said Marc Freedman, the Chamber's director of labor law policy.

In the past, three or more hospitalizations had been the policy for reporting. With just one employee "whether it was work related may not be clear," Freedman said.

Furthermore, he said, since the reports are public records, they're likely to be available on the Internet. "So there's lots of complications related to that" for many businesses.

RadioShack warns of possible bankruptcy

Associated Press

NEW YORK — RadioShack warned Thursday that it may need to file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy reorganization if it can't rework its debt or find another way to ease a cash crunch.

The struggling retailer said in a regulatory filing that it is in talks with its lenders, bondholders, shareholders and landlords to fix its balance sheet, but if it can't, it will try to file a prepackaged bankruptcy.

RadioShack, which is based in Fort Worth has been working on turning around its business for the past 18 months. The company's efforts have included cutting costs, renovating and closing stores, and shuffling management. It reported another quarterly loss on Thursday on lower revenue.

CEO Joseph Magnacca said efforts to fix the company's problems could include debt restructuring, closing more stores and other cost-cutting measures. He said the company is reviewing several alternatives, some that would need consent from its lenders.

RadioShack is quickly running out of cash and warned Thursday that it doesn't have enough left to fund its operations beyond the "very near term." The company reported $30.5 million in cash and cash equivalents on hand as of Aug. 2. That's down from $179.8 million at the end of last year.

The company has struggled to find its place in the evolving retail and technology landscape. It's sought to remake itself, focusing on wireless devices and accessories, but growth in that business is slowing as more people have smartphones and see fewer reasons to upgrade. The company says it is working on becoming less dependent on that business.

Stocks end mixed

A sluggish September continued for U.S. stocks as investors assessed the outlook for interest rates, the latest sanctions against Russia and volatile energy prices.

Stocks ended the day mixed after gains for dividend-rich utilities stocks largely offset a slump in health care companies. Lululemon, the high-end yoga apparel maker, surged after reporting earnings that surpassed analyst's forecasts.

The stock market has had a slow start to the month, and the Standard & Poor's is on track to end the week with a loss for the first time in six weeks. Investors are struggling to find an impetus to push prices higher with the market close to all-time highs.

"The market might just be pausing here to digest and see what we have to propel it one way or the other," said Jeff Morris, Head of U.S. Equities at Standard Life Investments.

Stocks started the day lower, led by a big decline for energy stocks as the price of oil extended its declines from a day earlier. Oil futures turned higher throughout the morning as traders judged that new sanctions against Russia over its involvement in Ukraine might crimp supplies. As oil prices rebounded, so did energy stocks.

The price of oil rose $1.16 to close at $92.83 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange, after dropping close to $90 a barrel in early trading.

The stock market gains were led by utilities, which climbed 0.9 percent.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $104.62 Up 1.40

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $132.90 Up 0.94

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $22.27 Up 0.66

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $77.87 Up 1.07

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $29.68 Down 0.26

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $7.53 Up 0.03

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $26.52 Up 0.49

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $25.06 Up 0.13

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $16.12 Up 0.16

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
Closing Price $30.08 Up 0.01

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AK Steel	...	...	9.08	-.26	+10.7
AT&T Inc	1.84	10	34.70	+.04	-1.3
Abraxas	...	68	5.40	+.15	+65.6
AdamsEx	.84e	...	14.12	+.04	+8.0
AMD	...	41	4.08	...	+5.4
Alcoa	.12	41	17.20	+.09	+61.8
AlonUSA	.40f	...	16.61	...	+.4
AlphaNRs	...	...	3.41	+.04	-52.2
Ambev n	.29e	...	6.90	+.07	-6.1
ARltCapPr	1.00	...	13.06	-.09	+1.6
Amgen	2.44	21	139.19	+1.80	+22.0
Anadarko	1.08	...	106.70	+.35	+34.5
AnglogldA	...	...	13.07	-2.42	+11.5
Apache	1.00	31	97.28	+.17	+13.2
Apple Inc s	1.88	16	101.00	+3.01	+26.0
ApldMatl	.40	28	22.37	-.09	+26.5
ATMOS	1.48	18	50.17	-.42	+10.5
AutoData	1.92	27	83.61	+.48	+3.5
AvanirPhm	...	...	6.79	+.86	+101.9
BP PLC	2.34f	7	46.52	+1.37	-4.3
BabsCCInv	1.20	...	15.34	+.12	+2.7
BakrHu	.68f	22	67.27	+.43	+21.7
BcoBrad pf	.44e	...	16.59	-.55	+32.4
BkofAm	.20f	19	16.36	+.22	+5.1
B iPVix rs	...	...	28.07	-.16	-34.0
BasicEnSv	...	...	22.12	+.23	+40.2
BerkHa A	...	16	206750.00	+1445.00	+16.2
BlkHillsCp	1.56	22	52.19	-.40	-.6
BostonSci	...	70	12.51	+.13	+4.1
BrMySq	1.44	32	51.08	+.60	-3.9
BrownFA	1.16	30	90.13	+.44	+22.2
BrownFB	1.16	30	90.57	+.28	+19.8
CVS Health	1.10	20	80.91	+.05	+13.1
Cameron	...	21	71.35	+.59	+19.9
Caterpillar	2.80f	18	105.93	-1.47	+16.7
Celestic g	...	14	10.80	-.01	+3.8
CntryLink	2.16	...	39.69	-.30	+24.6
ChesEng	.35	28	25.53	-.06	-.6
Chevron	4.28	12	124.28	-.90	-.5
Chicos	.30	23	15.58	+.14	-17.3
Cimarex	.64	25	135.94	+1.66	+29.6
Cisco	.76	17	24.93	+.07	+12.0
Citigroup	.04	12	51.83	+.57	-.5
ClayEng	...	33	103.22	+3.04	+26.0

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
CocaCola	1.22	23	42.17	+.23	+2.1
ColgPalm	1.44	27	64.00	+.57	-1.9
Comcast	.90	20	56.91	+.30	+9.5
ConAgra	1.00	44	32.46	-.03	-3.7
ConchoRes	...	58	131.96	+2.61	+22.2
ConocoPhil	2.92f	13	78.99	+.03	+11.8
CrackerB	4.00f	19	102.08	+.27	-7.3
CSVixSht	...	...	2.72	-.02	-63.7
CrosTim	2.73e	12	31.80	-.20	+8.1
DCP Mid	3.03f	...	55.37	+.14	+10.0
DTE	2.76f	18	77.32	-.55	+16.5
Dataram h	...	...	2.61	-.08	+.4
Dawson	.32	...	21.61	-.23	-36.1
DevonE	.96	18	70.67	+.16	+14.2
DrxSCBear	...	...	14.47	-.27	-14.7
Disney	.86f	22	89.52	-.08	+17.2
DowChm	1.48	19	53.36	-.10	+20.2
eBay	...	...	51.10	-1.63	-6.9
EMC Cp	.46	24	29.50	+.28	+17.3
EOG Res s	.67f	23	102.01	+.70	+21.6
EmpDist	1.02	15	25.31	-.12	+11.5
Energen	.60	43	74.16	+1.41	+4.8
EngyTsfr	3.82f	...	57.56	+.25	+.5
EnPro	...	64	68.00	-.20	+18.0
EntPrdPt s	1.44f	28	40.92	-.19	+23.4
Ericsson	.46e	...	12.68	+.13	+3.6
ExterranH	.60	28	45.64	+.10	+33.5
ExxonMbl	2.76	12	96.81	-.58	-4.3
Facebook	...	83	77.43	+.76	+41.7
FireEye n	...	...	34.85	+1.34	-20.1
FordM	.50	10	16.63	...	+7.8
ForestOil	...	...	1.49	+.02	-58.7
FrontierCm	.40	32	6.35	-.29	+36.5
GATX	1.32	15	63.96	-.54	+22.6
GT AdvTc	...	...	12.78	-2.16	+46.6
GabMultT	.88	...	10.10	+.08	-18.6
GAInv	2.10e	...	37.76	+.11	+7.3
GenElec	.88	19	25.96	+.05	-7.4
Gerdau	.15e	...	5.44	-.19	-30.6
GileadSci	...	24	108.22	+2.33	+44.1
GoPro n	...	...	68.47	+4.28	+118.5
GtPlainEn	.92	16	25.22	-.06	+4.0
Groupon	...	...	7.10	+.41	-39.7
HalconRes	...	...	4.91	-.01	+27.2

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
Hallibrtn	.60	21	66.71	+.88	+31.4
iShBrazil	1.55e	...	49.80	-.49	+11.5
iShJapan	.17e	...	11.86	+.13	-2.3
iShChinaLC	.71e	...	41.25	-.74	+7.5
iShEMkts	.71e	...	44.56	-.19	+6.6
iS Eafe	2.23e	...	66.48	+.38	-.9
iShR2K	1.48e	...	115.86	+.68	+.4
iShREst	2.56e	...	73.26	-1.03	+16.1
IntegrysE	2.72	20	67.31	+.02	+23.7
Intel	.90	17	35.02	+.11	+34.9
InterDig	.80f	...	43.13	+.72	+46.3
ItauUnibH	.54e	...	16.75	-.13	+35.9
JohnJn	2.80	19	104.99	+1.19	+14.6
KimbClk	3.36	19	106.89	+.04	+2.3
KindME	5.56f	38	93.18	+.32	+15.5
KindMM	5.56t	76	93.85	+.15	+24.0
Kinross g	...	...	3.69	-.06	-15.8
LegacyRes	2.44f	...	29.94	-.17	+6.3
Lubys	...	...	5.20	+.09	-32.6
MktVGold	.19e	...	24.10	-.46	+14.1
McDnlds	3.24	17	93.00	+1.91	-4.2
Merck	1.76	32	60.76	+.20	+21.4
MeritMed	...	28	12.34	+.15	-21.6
MexcoEn	...	50	7.50	-.45	+8.7
MicronT	...	10	32.09	+.11	+47.5
Microsoft	1.12	18	46.84	+.08	+25.2
Mobileye n	...	...	55.48	-1.12	+49.9
Nabors	.24f	48	24.78	+.33	+45.9
NatGrid	3.48e	...	73.28	+.24	+12.2
NOilVarco	1.84	14	81.49	+.20	+13.7
NetElem	...	...	3.80	+2.07	-13.0
NokiaCp	.51e	...	8.36	+.09	+3.1
NvMAd	.80a	...	13.94	+.02	+14.6
NvPMI	.86	...	13.68	+.05	+10.6
NuvPI	.82	...	13.48	-.02	+9.3
NSTFI3	.61	...	13.85	+.02	+7.5
NTXQI	.65	...	14.51	-.07	+12.9
OcciPet	2.88	13	98.54	+.19	+3.6
OI SA	.14e	...	.68	+.01	-57.5
OnSmcnd	...	18	9.69	-.13	+17.6
OnTrack	...	...	3.55	+.23	+8.6
ParTech	...	...	5.10	+.15	-6.4
ParkDrl	...	19	6.20	+.15	-23.7
PattUTI	.40	26	31.98	+.13	+26.3
PennaRE	.80	...	20.05	-.13	+5.6

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
Prmian	1.13e	13	14.05	+.07	+9.3
PetrbrsA	.85e	...	18.26	-.45	+24.3
Petrobras	.46e	...	17.38	-.45	+26.1
Pfizer	1.04	17	29.44	+.21	-3.9
PioNtrl	.08	...	200.12	+.74	+8.7
PlainsAAP	2.58f	26	60.26	-.48	+16.4
PwShs QQQ	1.34e	...	100.07	+.82	+13.8
Praxair	2.60	22	132.80	+.69	+2.1
PrmEgy	...	20	63.26	-1.99	+25.3
ProctGam	2.57	21	83.64	+.65	+2.7
RadioShk	...	...	.93	-.01	-64.2
RangeRs	.16	49	74.65	-.38	-11.5
RegionsFn	.20	13	10.20	+.25	+3.1
RiteAid	...	38	6.46	+.16	+27.7
Rowan	.40	19	28.60	+.03	-19.1
RoyDShllA	3.76	15	78.50	+.86	+10.1
SpdrDJIA	3.47e	...	170.67	+.55	+3.1
S&P500ETF	3.58e	...	200.07	+.75	+8.3
SabnR	4.06e	14	55.98	+.86	+10.7
SanderFm	.80	10	91.01	+.41	+25.8
SandRdge	...	...	4.98	-.04	-18.0
Sapient	...	22	14.77	+.14	-14.9
Schlmbrg	1.60	21	104.27	+.30	+15.7
SigmaAld	.92	24	103.10	+.31	+9.7
SiriusXM	...	60	3.62	+.05	+3.6
Smucker	2.56f	18	101.08	-.18	-2.5

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
Sprint	...	...	6.15	+.38	-42.8
SPDR Fncl	.35e	...	23.35	+.12	+6.8
SunocoL s	1.46f	36	50.19	-.19	+33.0
TelefEsp	1.03e	...	15.64	-.14	-4.3
Tesoro	1.20f	20	62.97	-1.86	+7.6
3M Co	3.42	20	144.64	+.18	+3.1
Torchmrk s	.51	14	53.60	+.10	+2.9
TriContl	.71e	...	21.33	+.10	+6.8
21Vianet	...	...	20.12	-1.76	-14.5
Twitter n	...	...	52.91	+2.30	-16.9
TylerTech	...	66	90.67	-.47	-11.2
UBWV	1.28	18	32.77	+.42	+4.2
Vale SA	.84e	...	12.38	-.14	-18.8
ValeroE	1.10f	9	50.96	-1.73	+1.1
VerizonCm	2.20f	11	48.75	-.15	-.8
VulcanM	.24f	54	62.07	+.37	+4.5
Walgrn	1.35f	22	63.32	+.71	+10.2
WellsFargo	1.40	13	51.52	+.45	+13.5
WstnRefin	1.04	18	44.42	-1.81	+4.7
WhitingPet	...	18	84.09	+.72	+35.9
WmsCos	2.24f	74	56.82	-.08	+47.3
XcelEngy	1.20	16	31.57	-.15	+13.0
Xerox	.25	14	13.63	+.16	+12.0
Yahoo	...	35	41.14	+.36	+1.7
Zynga	...	...	2.99	+.04	-21.3

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INDEXES

52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
17,161.55	14,719.43	Dow Jones Industrials	17,068.71	+54.84	+.32	+2.97	+11.37
8,607.65	6,380.92	Dow Jones Transportation	8,521.21	+6.54	+.08	+15.14	+29.35
576.98	472.09	Dow Jones Utilities	554.96	-2.41	-.43	+13.13	+17.02
11,334.65	9,441.66	NYSE Composite	10,972.21	+26.60	+.24	+5.50	+13.64
4,610.14	3,650.03	Nasdaq Composite	4,586.52	+34.23	+.75	+9.81	+23.13
2,011.17	1,646.47	S&P 500	1,995.69	+7.25	+.36	+7.97	+18.15
1,452.01	1,200.41	S&P Midcap	1,429.67	+2.23	+.16	+6.49	+16.19
21,319.71	17,563.18	Wilshire 5000	21,151.84	+76.52	+.36	+7.34	+17.63
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Local forecast

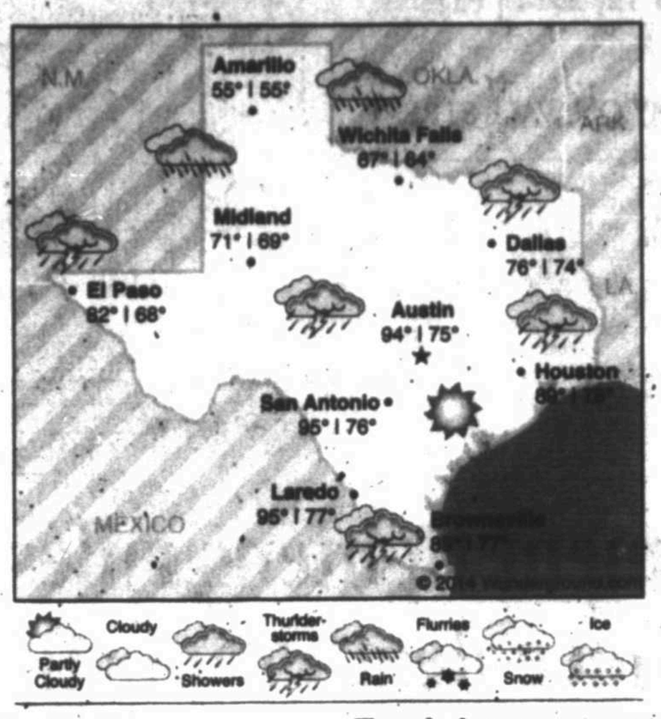
The high on Thursday reached 86, while the low dropped to 69. The record high for Sept. 11 is 102 set in 2000. The record low is 50 set in 1935.

Weather Why

Q: Are larger raindrops shaped the same?

Large raindrops often split in two because of their size, said Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "When a raindrop gets to be large, it assumes a shape that is similar to a small parachute, with a larger area around its base," he explained. "When this happens, the raindrop is so large that it splits into several smaller drops. A larger raindrop naturally falls to earth faster than a smaller one, but it still takes a while. For example, a large raindrop that fell from a cloud at 5,000 feet would take about three minutes to reach you on the ground. Some raindrops can actually be different colors because of sand or other materials that collect in them."

Weather Whys is a service of the Department of Atmospheric Sciences at Texas A&M.



Precipitation		Thursday's temperatures	
Wednesday	0.00 in.	High	86
Thursday	0.00 in.	Low	69
Month total	0.19 in.	Normal high	88
Year total	4.93 in.	Normal low	64
Normal total (year to date)	10.46 in.	Sunrise	7:31 a.m.
		Sunset	7:59 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, Sept. 12



Parents persist in thinking gay son will straighten out

DEAR ABBY



Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a gay male college student who is out and comfortable with who I am — 99 percent of the time. When I was in high school, I tried to come out to my parents and it didn't go smoothly. They had an emotional crisis for a day, then shrugged it off as "just another teenage phase." After the panic mode was over, they bought me off with an expensive car and continued believing I'm straight.

I make no attempt to hide who I am because I expect to be treated the same, regardless. But it's awkward whenever I am asked by either parent, "Do you have a girlfriend?" or, "How are you doing with the ladies?"

Do you have any advice on what I should say in response, given my parents' emotional reaction? — IT'S WHO I AM IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR WHO I AM: It is obvious that your parents are in denial. If you haven't told them again about your sexual orientation, you should.

If you are unable to summon up the words to tell them what they are waiting for isn't going to happen, then contact PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays — pflag.org), not only for your own sake, but also for theirs. In light of your parents' reaction the last time you leveled with them, they may need emotional support to accept that you are gay, and PFLAG can provide it.

DEAR ABBY: I have been married to my husband for a year. We dated for four years before the wedding, and we have a son together. The child and I have never met any of my husband's immediate family. I have never spoken to any of them over the phone, either.

He has met all of my family members. I have asked repeatedly to meet his, and he tells me he's planning a family trip to visit. He seemed annoyed when I brought it up. What should I do? — LEFT OUT IN FLORIDA

DEAR LEFT OUT: That you have had no contact with these people in the five years you've been in the picture is, frankly, beyond strange. It appears there may be some things your husband hasn't told you. He may be ashamed of his family, on the outs with them, or they were never told about his involvement with you and/or the existence of their grandchild.

Because you have now been a member of their family for a year, pick up the phone, call your in-laws and introduce yourself.

DEAR ABBY: Please help to settle a debate between my husband and me. Is it all right for a woman to give relationship advice to her friend?

I have a friend who is struggling in her relationship, and I have tried to help with advice I feel is appropriate and positive. Is this wrong, or should I stay out of it like my husband suggests? — GOOD FRIEND IN TEXAS

DEAR GOOD FRIEND: Part of female friendship is sharing experiences and advice with each other. However, remember that if your friend is "struggling" in this relationship, in the final analysis, she's going to have to resolve the problems herself. If she is unable to do that without coming back to you again and again, then her relationship probably won't last in spite of your best efforts.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Tricks or entries?

East-West vulnerable. South deals.

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◇ J 10 9 8 5 3
♣ A K 4 3

WEST
♠ 10 9 8 7 3
♡ 7 6 4 2
◇ 7 4
♣ 8 7

EAST
♠ J 6 4 2
♡ A 5
◇ A K
♣ Q J 10 9 6

SOUTH
♠ A K 5
♡ K Q J 10 8
◇ Q 6 2
♣ 5 2

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Ten of ♠

Every beginners' book tells us that we should count our winners when we declare three no-trump. The same books don't mention the need for entries to those winners.

South won the queen in dummy at trick one and stopped to count his winners — three spades, two clubs and four hearts once the ace is knocked out. An easy one, right? Not so fast. If the opponents hold up the ace of hearts for one round, South can still establish four heart tricks, but he will have no entry to reach them — or his two high spades, for that matter. Playing on diamonds seems just as bad. East wins the first diamond and shifts to clubs, continuing clubs when he wins the second diamond. This holds South to four diamonds, two clubs and one spade. Is this hopeless or can you spot a solution?

South can prevail by playing on diamonds at trick two. East will win and shift to the queen of clubs, but instead of continuing diamonds, declarer now plays a heart. Should East rise with his ace to clear clubs, South has the entries to take three spades, four hearts and two clubs. East will duck his ace, but now South can cash one high spade before reverting to diamonds by leading the queen. He will end with two spades, one heart, four diamonds and two clubs!

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, Sept. 12, 2014:

This year you open up to many possibilities, but you will need to eliminate some existing commitments first. You are a year away from some positive life changes. You will begin a new luck cycle at that time, and the first year is considered one of the luckiest. If you are single, someone special is right around the corner. If you are attached, the two of you love spending quality time together. You also might tend to overindulge often together. TAURUS understands you and can be a lot of fun.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Your possessive side might emerge when dealing with someone you respect. Being selfish in that way is likely to reveal your innate insecurities. Be more upbeat and deliberate. You could overthink a situation to the point of upset. Tonight: TGIF! Make it your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You could be more forthright than usual. Being so direct will energize you and encourage you to take a risk with a difficult person. You will want to have a long-overdue conversation. Know that you might feel uncomfortable with what you hear. Tonight: A star, wherever you are.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Much will be going on behind the scenes. You are anchored and secure at the present moment, and you're likely to be very optimistic. Others will respond to you in a positive way. You could be taken aback by someone's offer. Tonight: Not to be found.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Emphasize what is important to you. Know what needs to happen, and decide who you want around you. Stop and buy a token of affection for a loved one. Do not push beyond your normal limits in order to get what you want. Tonight: Be where the crowds are.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Take your time when making a decision. It might be more important than you realize. Getting past an older person's demands could be almost impossible. You might wonder when to pull back so you can go off and do your thing. Tonight: Out and about.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ Keep reaching out to someone at a distance. You might want to make last-minute weekend plans. This person often plays devil's advocate for you. You might be tempted to take off for an adventure. Weigh the cost of proceeding as you have been. Tonight: Out late.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You might want to work through a problem quickly with a friend or loved one; otherwise, a lot of negativity could come into your life. A family member could demonstrate how resilient he or she can be when adjusting to a big change. Tonight: Make it personal.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Defer to others, and understand what is happening with a key individual in your life. By expressing your confidence in this person's decisions, you will open up the lines of communication between you. Don't overthink a decision too much. Tonight: Follow the leader.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You will want to free up some extra time just for you. You'll remain levelheaded, even though you have a very difficult decision to make. You might want to discuss your choice with several other people for feedback. Tonight: Get physical — go to the gym, or go dancing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ No one dares question your ideas or your appeal. You know where you are heading. You have a sense of direction that is unique, and you possess a special type of creativity. News from a distance is likely to put a smile on your face. Tonight: Ever playful.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Get down to the basics, and understand that you will need to rebuild certain areas of your life. An older friend or relative could be unintentionally demanding and not realize what you are going through. Ask for consideration and space, if need be. Tonight: Invite friends over.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Listen to news before changing plans. You could be more in limbo than you might have thought possible. Perhaps you need to work through an issue and return someone's call. Choose to make plans that allow you to share some of your dilemma. Tonight: Love the moment.

BORN TODAY

Actor Maurice Chevalier (1888), Olympic athlete Jesse Owens (1913), publisher Alfred A. Knopf Sr. (1892)

DAILY CROSSWORD

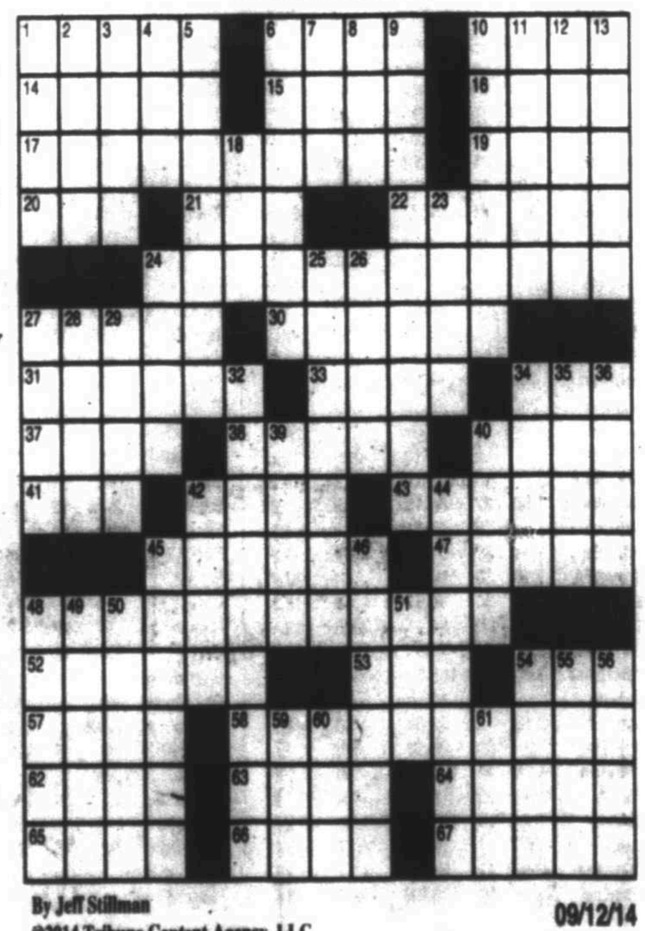
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1 Short pants?
6 Boston or Chicago
10 Sound of relief
14 Mendelssohn's Opus 20, e.g.
15 One-on-one sport
16 Con artist, for one
17 Blueprint spec ... or, allowable hours for hound sounds?
19 Naysayer
20 LeBron's Miami uniform number
21 Mr. __!: old whodunit game
22 Initial
24 Blueprint spec ... or, job fit for a king's silversmith?
27 The __ Netherlands
30 Regular TV show
31 Bestows
33 __ splicing
34 "Top Gear" airer
37 Gets ready for lunch, maybe
38 Scrub
40 "__ We Are": Estefan hit
41 Look over
42 "How now? __?": Hamlet, before mistakenly slaying Polonius
43 __ column
45 Used a plane on
47 Useful quality
48 Blueprint spec ... or a '60s-'70s rock group conceding a poker hand?
52 Tater Tots maker
53 __ fault
54 Words of agreement
57 Improvisational style
58 Blueprint spec ... or an MGM heartthrob's cousin from the Netherlands?
62 Manuscript encl.
63 Shell competitor
64 Soul singer Adams
65 Begun: Abbr.
66 Study, say
67 Name on a Yorba Linda library

DOWN
1 Slew
2 Berry rich in antioxidants
3 "Come Sail Away" band
4 Service station?
5 Inflamed
6 Moistens, in a way
7 GI's mail drop
8 Unfamiliar
9 "State Fair" setting
10 Crisscross patterns
11 Rajah's tongue
12 Downed
13 Twist and compress
18 Revival prefix
23 Sheltered, nautically
24 Contemptible ones
25 Ruled out
26 GI chow
27 Cloud
28 Out of town
29 Yawn
32 One who might play under a balcony
34 Uncle __
35 "Up hill, down __ ...": Burns
36 Bird was one, briefly
39 Took its toll?
40 Kettle emission
42 Ardent
44 Ideal
45 Ready to be printed
46 Many a late '90s startup
48 "Pippin" Tony winner
49 Ocean predators
50 Numerical extreme
51 Circus sound
54 Goat with Iberian and Siberian species
55 Like some saxes
56 Inconsequential
59 GI show gp.
60 General on a takeout menu
61 Will Smith title role

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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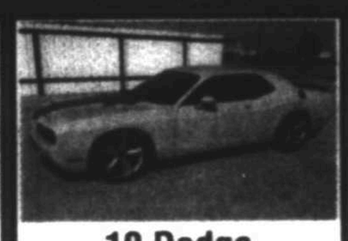
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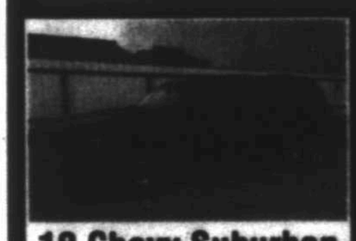
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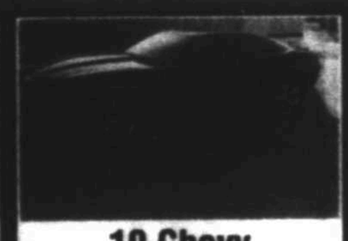
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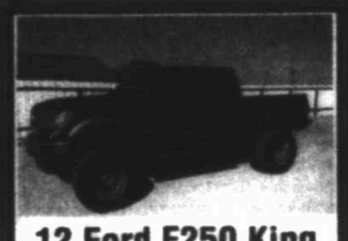
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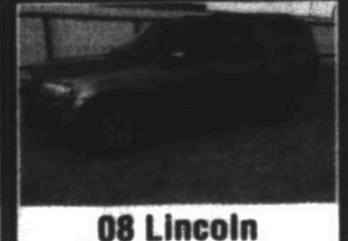
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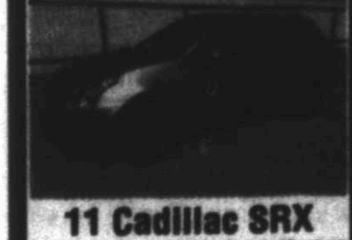
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If you have leadership experience and a passion for making a difference in the lives of older adults this is the job for you. You'll enjoy the beautiful surroundings and a philosophy guided by the principles of resident choice, dignity, and independence.
Email your resume to Legacyranch-adm@jessenliving.com EOE

OTHER JOBS



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

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

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

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

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

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

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



Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

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

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

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HEALTHCARE

Immediate Openings Available

- Cook Assistant
- Dietary Aide
- Housekeepers
- Laundry Aides
- Certified Nurse Aides
- LVN/RN Charge Nurses
- Certified Medication Aides
- Certified Activity Director
- Skilled Maintenance Worker

Needed at
Lamun-Lusk-Sanchez Texas State Veterans Home

Please apply in person at:
1809 N. Hwy. 87, Big Spring, TX 79720
Equal Employment Opportunity

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Full and Part-Time Positions Available

LaQuinta Inn & Suites has openings for **BREAKFAST ATTENDANTS, HOUSEKEEPERS and FRONT DESK AGENTS.** Please apply in person, **Loop 250 & HWY 191, next to Kohl's.**

MANAGEMENT & EXECUTIVE

Automotive Personal

Benny Boyd in Andrews is seeking experienced automotive industry personal for the following positions:

- General Sales Manager
- Used Car Manager
- Service Techs
- Salespeople

Join Benny's winning team in a new Chrysler Dodge Jeep facility in Andrews, TX! Send resume to jobs@bennyboyd.com or call 806-317-5252.

Maintenance Shift Supervisor

O-Tex Pumping is now hiring

Night and Day shift Maintenance Shift Supervisor :

- Competitive pay
- Night differential pay
- Good benefits
- 5 years minimum oilfield/mechanic experience required
- Strong work ethic
- Set schedule
- Work well with others/ability to make crucial decisions
- Good driving record is required
- Must pass drug screen

Apply online at www.otexpumping.com or apply in person at 2611 E Interstate 20, Midland, TX 79701
EOE

OTHER JOBS

SAM

$1,000.00-$1,500.00 SIGNING BONUS!

Surveying And Mapping, LLC (SAM) has expanded into the Midland, TX market and is looking for qualified professionals with expertise on large and fast-paced projects.

We are currently searching for highly qualified:

- Party Chiefs
- Instrument Operators
- Survey Technicians

Go to www.sam.biz/careers to apply.

All Positions

Firehouse Subs FT
Midland, TX 79701

Now hiring Slice, Prep, Cashiers, Catering & Kitchen help for AM/PM positions. Apply in person: 2900 W. Loop 250 North, Ste 162.

Assistant Manager

Aus-Mex Tortilleria now hiring an Assistant Manager. Must have good driving record, bilingual a plus. Salary negotiable. Send resume to brianschaetz@hotmail.com, fax 432-561-5349 or call Jose at 432-561-8869

CDL Bus Driver and Staff Members

Seeking CDL bus driver, part time Monday through Friday 2:45-4:45 $25.00 hour. Also looking General Staff Members.
Call Michael 432-683-0050.

Daycare Staff

Applications are being accepted for day care staff. Greenwood Baptist Learning Center, 10909 FM 307, 432-682-1147

JOB FAIR

September 30
10am - 3pm
Midland Center, 105 N Main St

Over 60 businesses from all industries will be interviewing and hiring job seekers.

Call 432-687-8814 for more information.
Hosted by The Midland-Reporter-Telegram.

Lead Maintenance & Assistant

Summerhill Apartments FT

Must be HVAC certified. Salary depending on experience. Apply in person to: 3001 North Midland Dr. or call 432-697-6039.

MIDLAND VALVE & ACTUATOR COMPANY

has immediate openings for the following positions:

• Inside Sales
Requires Bachelor degree in Business, science or engineering, 3-5 years experience in petroleum or industrial sales.

• Outside Sales
Previous experience in outside sales & developing client relationships for the sales & service of valves & actuators.

• Technical Skill Labor
Assembly and repairs of valves and actuators in the field and in Midland shop. Solid mechanical aptitude & electrical experience required. Shipping and receiving and product control. Must be able to lift 50+ lbs.

• Machinists
Shop lead machinist & Full time or part time machinist needed to run Lathe, Mill, CNC & Manuel machines.

Must have good driving record and be able to pass drug testing & background check.

Excellent pay & benefits for qualified candidates.

Please send resumes to: P-130 c/o Midland Reporter Telegram 201 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701

Office Position & Shipping Assistant

Susie's South Forty Confections is now hiring for • Office position. Must know QuickBooks, payroll, accounting receivable & payable. Must have experience and flexible hours. Also hiring qualified • Shipping Assistant full time with shipping experience to assist Shipping manager in all shipping duties. Applicants must have computer experience and be willing to assume a variety of duties and tasks. Apply in person at 401 S. Marienfeld or call 432-570-4040 ask for Susie or Angie.

Project Manager

NOVA Safety and Environmental 2057 Commerce Drive Midland Texas, 79703 Office: 432-520-7720 Fax: 432-520-7701 Nova Safety & Environmental is seeking an Environmental Project Manager. Candidate must have at a minimum a Bachelors of Science Degree in one of the following areas: Geology, Environmental Science, Biology or Chemistry. Job duties include but are not limited to ensuring compliance with state and federal environmental regulations, preparing technical reports, preparing groundwater maps and other site diagrams and overseeing various projects from start to finish. The candidate will need to be able to travel from site to site in the Permian Basin area with limited overnight stays. The job comes with an excellent salary and benefits package, including 401 K, health insurance, paid vacation, and bonuses.

Waitstaff/Retail

Waitstaff/Retail Sales Associate Needed Apply at The Hemingway, 2200 W. Wadley Ave., Ste 2, Midland, Tx. Please bring resume between 10am & 4pm

Warehouse Laborers Needed

Paid weekly, good starting pay and benefits; overtime available. Apply at Recycle Midland 3601 W. Industrial Blvd, Midland, Texas. EOE

Warehouse Person/Driver

Basin Engine & Pump is looking for an industrial oilfield warehouse person. Pump and or warehouse experience preferred. Position includes uniforms and a benefits package. Pay DOE. Please submit resume by fax to 432-570-1115 or email todd@basinengine.com. Applications may also be filled out at 1914 S. County Rd. 1083, Greenwood/Midland.

OTHER JOBS



CAREER FAIR

September 30 • 10AM-3PM

Midland Center • 105 N. Main • Midland, TX

A wide variety of employment opportunities will be available.

For more information about the Career Fair or to reserve a booth, please call 432-687-8814.

MRT MEDIA GROUP

SALES JOBS

MRT MEDIA GROUP mrt.com

Midland Reporter-Telegram

YOU can have a rewarding career in ADVERTISING!

Do you have excellent communication skills?

Are you detail oriented?

Do you have an assertive, positive attitude?

Are you a self-starter?

Do you excel in time management and organization?

If so, then we will train you to SUCCEED!

The MRT Media Group, a Hearst Corporation company, is looking for a full-time Outside Sales Multi-Media Account Executive. Duties will include selling print and digital advertising into the Midland Reporter-Telegram, mrt.com, MRT Weekly, and a variety of custom publications.

The Hearst Corporation is one of the largest, diversified communications companies, with major interests in magazine, newspaper and business publishing, cable networks, television and radio broadcasting, internet businesses and more. As an associate of the MRT Media Group, you will join more than 20,000 in the Hearst family.

We offer a competitive compensation and benefits package, mileage and cell phone allowances, and the opportunity to advance your career in an exciting, progressive and innovative organization in one of the fastest growing markets in Texas.

If you are ready to SUCCEED, please send a resume to:

Jeri Houston, Advertising Sales Manager

MRT Media Group

201 E. Illinois, Midland, TX 79701

jhouston@mrt.com

Equal Opportunity Employer

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

Domino's

JOIN OUR WINNING TEAM - NOW HIRING

Domino's Pizza is the number one food delivery company in the Basin. Full time drivers needed. Earn $45,000 to $70,000 a year in wages and tips. We are busy, busy, busy! Your earning power delivering pizzas is amazing! Great customer service a great tips! Part timers needed too! Earn up to $100 a shift in as little as 3 hour shifts!

Waiters, and waitresses get off your feet and get behind the wheel for the best pizza company in the Permian Basin. Openings are available at all stores. We DO NOT pay tip wage. Earn $7.50 an hour plus tips. Your trips to the customer are compensated for. We have company vehicles if you prefer not to use your own. This is easy money and fun. Apply at Indeed.com or stop by any of our stores, fill out an application and start down the road to making serious money daily!

Barista/Manager

Taste@508 is looking for a Barista Manager for our downtown location. Also looking for part time. Pay commensurate with experience. Please call 432-230-0225 to schedule an interview. 508 W. Wall Street

TASTE @508

Bussers & Waiters

Venezia Restaurant

Immediate opening for bussers & waiters. Apply in person at: 20 Plaza Oak Shopping Center, 2101 W. Wadley, Midland, TX.

Now Interviewing for Hourly & Salary Managers!

Genghis Grill is growing and our career opportunities are getting better by the day! We are currently looking for hourly and salary **Managers.** No early mornings or late nights, flexible schedules, and fun environment. We offer competitive salary and bonus structure along with a full benefits program, and Bonus, paid vacation. Apply in person daily or send resume, cover letter and salary requirements to be considered to **wrodriguez@genghisgrill.com.** Employment is contingent upon satisfactory results of a background check and drug screen. EOE

RETAIL JOBS

CASHIERS

Smoker's Outlet is looking for **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid weekly. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply.

SALES JOBS

Sales Associates

Wood's Boots in Midland is adding to our team. We are looking for talented **Sales Associates.** Stop in today and pick up an application at 4803 Andrews Hwy, or 812 W I-20 Midland

Let Classifieds Work for You! Call

432-682-6222

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

Supplement your income by delivering newspapers for a few hours in the early mornings between 12:00am - 6:00am. The Midland Reporter-Telegram is currently seeking individuals who are interested in delivering newspapers in the residential areas in and around the City of Midland. If interested, MUST have a reliable vehicle, proof of automobile insurance in your name, a valid driver's license, must understand that this is a 7 day a week delivery commitment as an Independent Contractor.

THE PROFIT FOR THESE ROUTES IS ABOUT $650-$1,000 a month, depending on the size of the route. This is a perfect way to generate the extra money you need.

If interested in starting a newspaper route: Please CALL ROGER WALLACE at 432-687-9001 or stop by The Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois Ave., Midland, TX 79701

Midland Reporter-Telegram

SALES JOBS

TOYOTA OF MIDLAND

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

SALES PROFESSIONALS

We are seeking a few good Automotive Sales Professionals to join our team. We offer a pay plan that pays per hour while you train, lots of floor and up time, plus great benefits and a promising career with this team of extremely loyal guests and employees working along with new hires and token rookies. We are eager to discuss the possibility of your new career with our growing store. Our environment is fun, fast paced and professional. Do you have a passion for cars? Let us know if you are that person! ID Guard is also not required. If you are a high energy person and would like to learn more about our team, apply with us today. We offer competitive pay, great benefits, fun

$18 AN HOUR GUARANTEED!

SERVICE ADVISOR/ ASSIST. MANAGER

IMMEDIATE OPENING for a Service Advisor/Assistant Service Manager in our growing Service Department. Proven customer skills with good follow up and people skills needed for fast growing automobile dealership service department. We will train the right person. This is a great opportunity... we have lots of room for advancement is preferred. We need your positive attitude to help us move to the next level. Applicants must have outstanding customer service skills, basic automotive knowledge and be experienced in a fast paced customer service environment. Compensation is based on background and ability. Plus, we offer one of the finest benefit packages in the automotive industry.

LUBE AUTO TECHNICIANS

A great team environment and ongoing training are just a few of the benefits you can expect in our Service Dept. If you possess the desire to make a positive impact in our facility, you could be the person we are looking for! Candidates with a strong work ethic and a high level of integrity who want to contribute as a team player. Responsibilities include: • Performing maintenance of vehicles • Changes oil and other fluids and filters • Provide service information to Service Advisors • Performs multi-point inspections • Maintains dealership quality standards • Must possess excellent communication, friendly, helpful customer and dept interactions • Must be able to multi-task and work in a fast-paced atmosphere • Experienced, utilizes a sense of urgency, and has a clean driving record.

We provide all our team members with a great benefits package: Medical & dental insurance programs - 401K - Paid Vacations - Ongoing training & mentoring - A great work environment - Appreciation for your hard work - Opportunity for advancement - Pay based on experience.

Your hard work and motivation can help you to your heights of success. Join to one of Midland's growing local auto dealerships TODAY!

For all TOYOTA OF MIDLAND job listings please apply online at: resumes@toyotaofmidland.com or apply in person at

800 North Loop 250 West

SKILLED LABOR

Carpenter

Need skilled carpenter, $20+ hr Contact James Morris 432-967-2314

Experienced Diesel Technician

Horizon Transportation FT

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

Field & Shop Mechanics

Basin Engine & Pump

Mechanics needed for Industrial Oilfield Shop. Must be experienced working on centrifugal & positive displacement pumps. Furnish your own tools. Uniforms provided. Benefits package includes vacation, health insurance and retirement match savings. Salary depends on experience. Please submit resume by fax to 432-570-1115 or email toshawn@basinengine.com. Applications can be filled out at 1914 S. County Rd. 1083, Midland, TX.

HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATORS NEEDED

Finish Blade and Dozers. Experience, references & TDL required. Call Brent @ 830-221-8666 or 830-837-0902, Monday through Friday 8am-5pm only. Acme Bridge is EOE

Journeyman & Apprentice Plumbers

Plumbing Contractor seeking licensed Journeyman & Apprentice plumbers with experience in commercial plumbing. Must have active license or apprentice card. Benefits: health insurance, participation in 401k, optional life insurance, vacation. Pay according to experience. Please call 972-438-4010

Journeyman Electricians & Apprentices Needed

CNR Electric hiring **Experienced Journeyman Electricians & Apprentices.** Local applicants only. Good pay, small company, and extremely busy Call Charles at **432-413-9344.**

Journeymen Electrician

TOP pay, excellent benefits, paid vacation. 401K **LICENSED JOURNEYMAN ELECTRICIANS NEEDED** Call 432-563-0071 for directions to the office

Mechanic

Mechanic wanted for temporary position to perform general mechanic duties for a pulling unit company in Odessa, Texas. Must be able to use diagnostic computer. Perform maintenance on fleet as required. Must pass drug test. Competitive wage. Sent resumes to: Great Basin Petroleum Services, 4909 S. Co.Rd. 1303, Odessa, Texas 79765

PRESSMAN

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an immediate opening in its Production Department for the position of: PRESSMAN for our Harris N 1650 Printing presses.

This 5-6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires: night shift/weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.

Send resume and salary requirements to:

John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities

c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram 201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701. E-mail:jmaddox@hearstnp.com

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Singlehand Welders or Shop Hands

Fab Tech Drilling FT

Hiring: Singlehand Welders or Shop Hands, minimum 3 years experience. Great Pay, excellent benefits. Must apply in person at: 2228 Stevens Rd Odessa, TX 79764 -No phone calls. Shop time is from 8am-4:30pm Monday thru Friday

Water Well Driller

Now Hiring Licensed Texas Water Well Driller. Must be experienced with mud and air drilling. Must have clean driving record. $100K+ starting salary based on experience. Email resume or inquires to snertechenergy@yahoo.com

SKILLED LABOR

Wireline Engineers and Operators

Renegade has opened a yard in Midland, TX and is seeking experienced wireline engineers and operators. Renegade offers paid benefits, days off new equipment and competive pay. Please call 432-458-3381 for more information

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

CDL Driver

Now hiring for a Class A CDL Driver, Hazmat and Tanker endorsements required. Great pay and Excellent benefits Call Roman H. at (432) 894-1416

CDL Driver Wanted!!!

Flatbed pipe long-haul Midland to Houston. Salary. Bonuses & Great Benefits! Must have clean driving record & experience. Apply in person: **Midland Pipe & Equip. 2809 S. Rankin Highway or call 432-683-3033**

Class A CDL Truck Drivers

Prefer drivers with Pneumatic Tanker experience. Benefits include: medical, life and dental insurance, and paid vacation. Applicants having experience hauling sand and/or dry cement helpful. Good driving record, DOT, drug & alcohol testing required. Apply in person, call 432-563-1894 for interview or online @ www.rockwaterenergy.com

Drivers

West Virginia Water Truck Company seeking Class A or B drivers. willing to relocate. Possible lodging available. Must have minimum of 2 years driving experience. Competitive wages. Health Insurance available. Call 304-873-1222

Owner / Operators Drivers

Ricky Shuler Trucking is looking for Drivers who are wanting to become Owner/ Operators. Equipment: single cab tractor leased to own purchase, trailer furnished but will remain property of Ricky Shuler Trucking. Must have CDL- A with Tanker/ HazMat endorsements, strong work history, crude oil hauling experience & must pass DOT, drug/ alcohol requirements. Owner/ Operators willing to relocate or currently residing in the following areas, Odessa, TX., Midland, TX., Big Spring, TX., Andrews, TX., Pecos, TX. & Carlsbad, N.M. Contact Phyllis @ 432-923-1064 between 9am & 4pm for additional information & application.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY

General

NEWSPAPER STREET CORNER SALES



Selling Newspapers On The Street Corners (avg. income $50.00 - $100.00/day)

MUST BE AT LEAST 14 YEARS OLD

SUNDAYS ONLY

IF INTERESTED CALL TOMMY 967-2267

EARN UP TO $500 PER WEEK!

Do you have a reliable car with insurance and a phone??

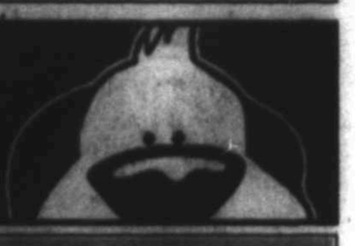


Become an independent contractor delivering the Midland Reporter-Telegram.

Contact: Linda 687-8807

GARAGE SALES

CALL 682-6222 TODAY!!



Estate Sales

ESTATE SALE by Joseph and Team
2213 Louisiana (Midland)
Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Lots of great vintage in this home including...costume jewelry, vintage lamps/hanging lamps, vintage kitchen items, vintage toys & child's kitchen, Duncan Phyfe table/chairs, kitchen table, console radio/TV, sofa/side chairs, office desk/chairs, vintage clothes/luggage, Schwinn bike, sewing items, records/8 tracks/cassettes, patio furniture, hand tools, yard tools, lg. power tools, lawnmower, 1976 V Hull ski boat. For pictures go to... http://www.estatesales.net/estate-sales/TX/Midland/79701/719607

★★ LIVING ESTATE SALE ★★
★★ by PATRICIA & TEAM ★★
5007 TEAKWOOD TRACE
Thursday, September 11, 8:30am-3pm
Friday, September 12, 8:30am - 3:00pm
Saturday, September 13, 8:30am - 12:00pm
This sale is full of nice items. We have a tall kitchen table with 6 chairs, Brunswick pool table, Stanley king size bed, chest of drawers, night stands, Sealy leather couch, loveseat, oversize chair, coffee table, antique radio antique cabinet, queen size bed, Pub table with two chairs, pictures, mirrors, home decor, Maytag washer and dryer, costume jewelry, clothes, jackets, small desk, Halloween, Christmas items, tools. Please don't block the driveways and the neighbors driveway.
Cash, Visa, MC, & Discover accepted. No checks please.

Estate Sales

ESTATE SALE
3401 Princeton
Thurs & Fri 9-2 Sta 9-12

Gigantic pig collection, roll top desk, trundle bed, Bassett bedroom suite, quilt rack, accent chairs, file cabinet, wood boxes, books, bookshelves, misc. tables & lamps, linnes, towels, chests of drawers, clothing, sofas, loveseats, recliners, lift chair, dining table & chairs, china, glassware, curio cabinets, secretary, BB guns, entertainment center, corner shelves, LLadro, records, games, puzzles, bistro table & chairs, plants, ladders, BBQ pit, vintage record player, china hutch, refrigerator, freezer, lawn mower, edgers, bird baths, misc. tools, yard tools, tool chest, TV and stands, costume jewelry, house and garage full.

Services by Wall St Antiques
View full details at EstateSales.NET:
http://www.EstateSales.NET/estate-sales/TX/Midland/79703/722076

Yard & Garage Sales

79701

1601 N Marienfeld. Saturday, 8am-? Sofa, love seat, TV, stereo, water dispenser, men's clothes, women's clothes, men's shoes, luggage, etc.

2511 STOREY Ave 7am-2pm. Multi family garage sale! Ergonomics bed bases, exercise equipment, bunkbeds, commercial size Slushie machine, purses, clothes, tools and more.

2905 ROOSEVELT Saturday 9am-? Multi Family Sale! Collectables, Avon bottles, toys, household items, jewelry, crafts, & lots of other great items!

Estate Sales

The Cats Meow
408 Andrews Hwy.
Midland
Fri.-Sat. 10am-6pm

Just back from a 6,000 mile buying trip. 1850's Missouri Farm table, gold Mercury glass, Crystal punch ladles, Majolica plates & figurines, Victorian Amber footed cake stand, Ruby glass pedestal cake stand, Cranberry Flash goblets & Sherbets, Pink Milk glass, Ruby punch bowl, Venetian Bird, Large red Tole Lazy Susan, Egg cups, Turkey collection, Roseville, antique tins, plant stand, Eisenberg pin, Schreiner of NY, Juliana's, Butterfly pin collection, full length Mink trimmed in Sable, 1870's top hat, Vintage Drapery panels $10-$25 each, Victorian slips & nightgowns $5.00 - $35.00 each and too much more to mention. Bring in this ad for 20% off store wide.
Visa, MC, AMEX accepted

Yard & Garage Sales

79707

LEE HIGH SCHOOL DIXIE DOLL GARAGE SALE FUNDRAISER!!!!!! 5507 Hillcrest Dr., in Grassland Estates. Saturday 8am - 1pm. No Early Sales. Tons of clothing, shoes, furniture, baby items, bedding, lots of name brand items, Christmas decor, Halloween decor, home decor, knick-knacks, toys, computer monitor, TV, iPod karaoke machine, Coach purses, $5 clothing grab bags (10-item limit), and lots of odds and ends! Kona Ice will also be parked outside the sale selling snow cones! Come on out and see us to show your support!

Yard & Garage Sales

79703

320 ROCKY Lane Dr. Friday 9am-1pm, Sat. 9am-? MOVING SALE: Antiques, collectibles, clothes, clarinet, Shirley Temple doll & items, Native American items, furniture & misc.

3408 SENTINEL Ave. Friday 8am-5pm. Boys clothes, shoes, toys, books.

4610 MERCEDES Dr. Saturday, 8am-? Books, clothes, teacher's supplies, toys, inflatable bounce house, and various items. Items priced to sale. For any questions call or text 432-934-4475.

Yard & Garage Sales

79703

4700 ANETTA, Saturday 9am-3pm. Clothing, Antique/Boutique store, Dooney & Burke purses, knick-knacks

4700 BOWIE, Friday, 8am-5pm. Moving sale! Furniture (inside), dishes, clothes, dinning room table with chairs, full bedroom set, dresser, misc., and lots more.

79705

1121 E. CUTHBERT Friday & Saturday 8am-? **4 Family Sale!**

Yard & Garage Sales

79706

Office Furniture Sale
"Everything Must Be Sold"
Friday, September 12, 2014
(one day only)
12pm-6pm
9615 Wright Dr.
(In hangar located west of CAF, south side of road)

Desks, credenzas, bookcases, file cabinets, desk chairs, side chairs, decorating items, rugs, and computer desks.
All sales are final - sold "as is".
Items must be taken at the time of purchase (no holds).
Loading assistance will be available.

Yard & Garage Sales

79705

2100 Woodlawn Thurs. Fri. & Sat. 8am-5pm. LOTS OF hand tools, power tools all are new, & lots of miscellaneous items. 432-631-1932.

2104 CULVER Drive, 8:30am this Saturday 9/13/14! GARAGE SALE Come and see all the great stuff we have. Furniture, lots of nice mens and women's clothes and shoes, baby stuff, kitchen items. A little bit of everything!

Fax Your Classified Ad in Today, 682-6999

1303 E. County Rd. 127, . Saturday, 7am-noon. MASSIVE MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE SALE. Furniture, refrigerator, clothes, home and Christmas decor, mattresses, 2002 Lexus, truck tool box, riding lawn mower.

6201 W. Industrial Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10am-4pm. Warehouse Sale! Desks, chairs, office supplies, cutting torch with bottles, drill press, chains & boomers, other shop equipment & more!

Fax Your Ad 682-6999

RIDGE HEIGHTS: 3701 SCR 1185. Cleaned house & shop,. Fresno, 600 feet of 1 1/2 inch polypipe, submersible pump, Two bottom plow, truck tool boxes, xerox machine, four TV's, stereo, refrigerator, new and used clothes, tons of books, old records, assorted household items and lots of stuff. One mile past I-20 overpass on Rankin Highway to County Road 120, second street is CR 1185. Watch for flagging. Starts Friday at 1:00 pm, Saturday & Sunday.

Fax Your Classified Ad in Today, 682-6999

79797

2106 ROSITA Dr. (in alley) Saturday 8am-12pm. Moving Sale! Holiday and home decor, floral arrangements, books, stuffed animals, games, etc.

3506 SHELL Ave. Friday, Saturday & Sunday 8am-6pm. Too much stuff, must downsize, over 1500 items. 2 baby beds, 2 youth beds, 2 Radio Flyer tricycles, lots of household items, Christmas, few tools, & much more.

4708 ELMA Drive Saturday 7am-1pm. Household & miscellaneous.

Yard & Garage Sales

79707

4103 CRESTWOOD Ave. (street behind Chelsea Raes) Saturday 8am to 2pm. Baby toys & clothes, kitchen items, household items & lots of miscellaneous.

5610 LOS Patios Drive (@Holiday Hill) Garage Sale! 8am-12pm Saturday, Sept 13

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67%
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170 Million
Adults read a newspaper in print or online in the past week.

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Numbers don't lie.

Source: Scarborough Research 2008 MORI Research 2009

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Events and Notices

General Announcements

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Ministering for Christ.

Lost & Found

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

OXY USA Inc is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Wolfcamp formation, Mabee 139 lease, well numbers 1014 and 1015. The proposed injection wells are located 14.6 miles Northwest of Midland in the Spraberry (Trend Area) field in Martin County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 8,180 - 11,135 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas (Telephone 512/463-6792).

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

CHEVRON U.S.A. INC., 15 Smith Road, Midland, Texas, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit that amends injection intervals for the purpose of injecting fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the SAN ANDRES formation for the following well MABEE UNIT B121W. Injection well is located 24 miles NorthWest from Stanton, in the MABEE FIELD, in Martin County, TEXAS. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4381 to 5200 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

CHEVRON U.S.A. INC., 15 Smith Road, Midland, Texas, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to amend injection intervals for the purpose of injecting fluid into a formation which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the SAN ANDRES formation for the following well MABEE UNIT 76W. Injection wells are located 23 miles SOUTHEAST from ANDREWS, in the MABEE FIELD, in ANDREWS COUNTY, TEXAS. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 4,387' to 5200 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL BRINE MINING INJECTION WELL PERMIT IN A NON PRODUCTIVE FORMATION

DES Desert Energy Services LLC, PO Box 8768 Midland, Texas 79708 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a brine mining injection well permit to inject water into the Salado Salt Formation, dissolve salt in the water, create a subsurface cavern, and produce the resulting brine solution.

The applicant proposes to perform brine mining from the Salado Formation, 137 Brine Lease, well number 2. The proposed brine mining well is located 17.5 miles south west of Garden City TX, off of CR 130. The subsurface depth interval of the proposed brine mining operation will be from 1250 to 2100 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended. Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR COMMERCIAL OIL AND GAS WASTE DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT

Wasser Operating LLC, 203 W. Wall, Suite 304, Midland, TX 79701

is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to inject fluid into a formation, which is productive of oil and gas.

The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Devonian/Fusselman/Ellenburger formation.

South Midland SWD Well Number #1. The proposed disposal well is located 6 miles South of Midland in the Sand Walking (Fusselman) field, in Midland County.

Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 11850 to 14000 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

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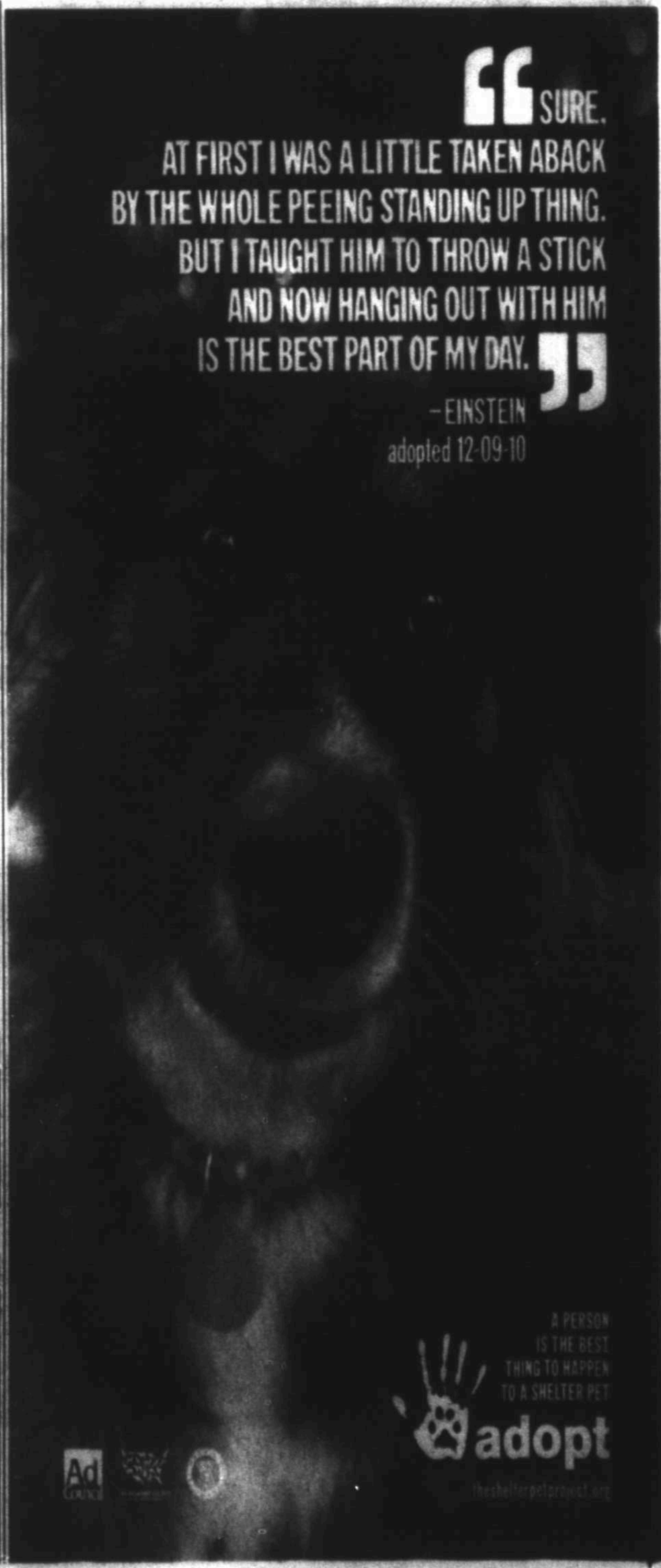
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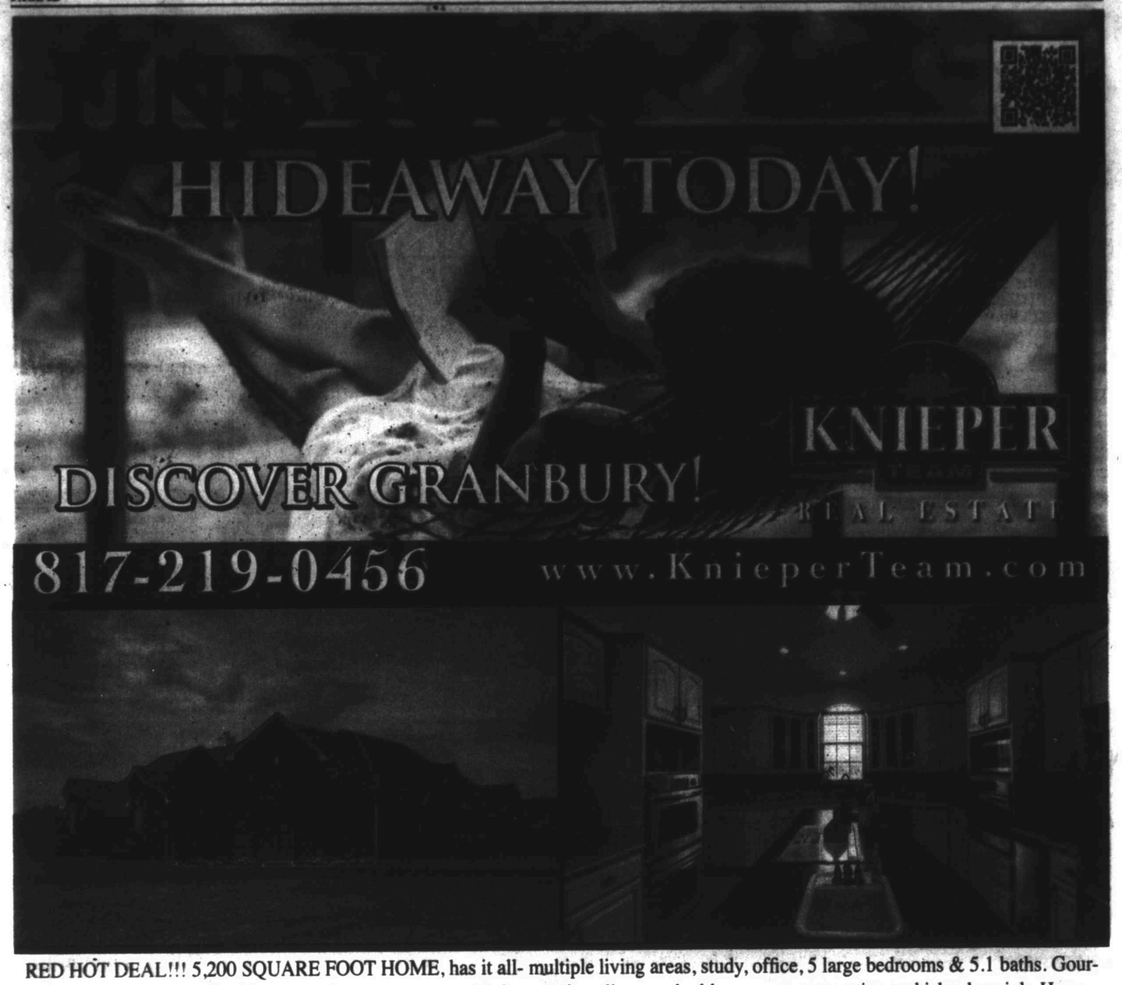
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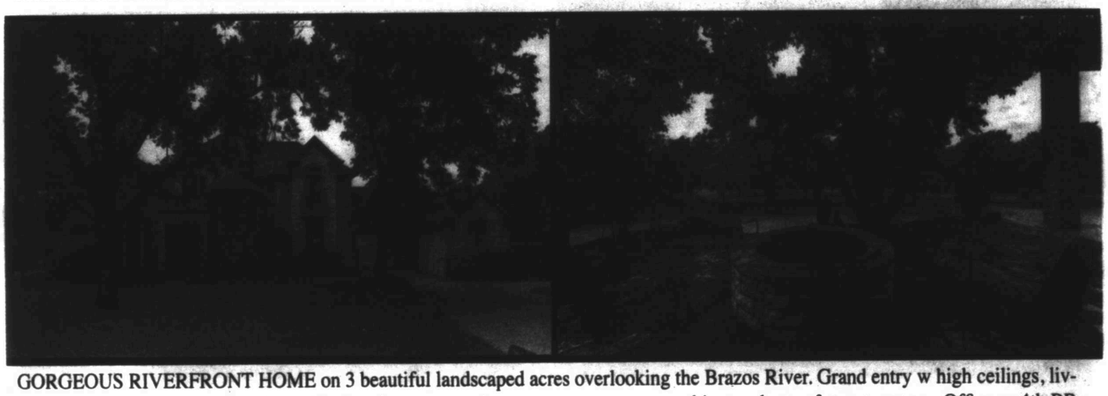
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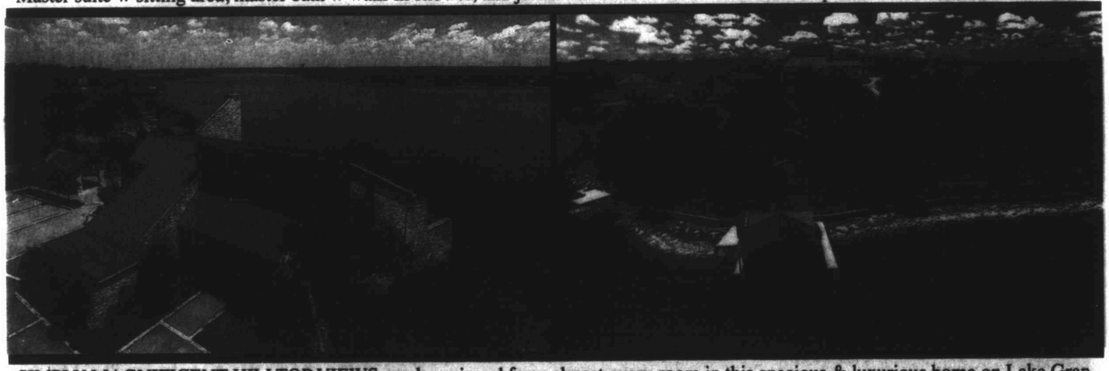




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