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Canon, Seliger intensify race at GOP event

Challenger claims he is more conservative; incumbent defends conservative background

By Joseph Basco
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While most candidates at the Midland County Republican Women meeting Wednesday decided to rehash previous speeches, the candidates for state Senate District 31 used their time to respond to recent barbs cast at each other.

"I'm not a negative campaigner. You notice I didn't say anything about him," incumbent Kel Seliger said after the luncheon. "But when somebody says something that is untrue, then it's time to respond."

Seliger, the first to speak, said he is the business candidate in the race, a response to his opponent's past statement that Seliger has been a politician most of his career, while Mike Canon said he has mostly private sector experience.

Canon, an oil attorney and former Midland mayor, trumped that experience by saying that if elected he would be the most knowledgeable oil and gas representative in the Senate.

"My opponent cannot say that, and that is essential to the interest of West Texas," Canon said.

Seliger's counterpoint would be his work on giving the Permian Basin Petroleum Association a voice regarding avoiding the listing of the dune sagebrush lizard on the Endangered Species list.

But the main point Canon consistently claimed is not that he is a greater private sector and pro-oil candidate; it was that he is more conservative than Seliger.

"There are some issues that I have brought up during the campaign which raises the question whether or not my opponent should continue to be sent to Austin to represent the people of this district," Canon said.

As Canon referenced two Seliger-supported Senate bills that he would not have backed — SB 302 and SB 346 — Seliger smirked when Canon explained his reasons for opposition. He was against SB 302 because it moves control of water from the local to the state level and opposed SB 346 because it violated the due process clause of the 14th Amendment and freedom of association in the First Amendment, he said.

After the meeting, Seliger disagreed with Canon's assessments by saying that SB 302 will not allow the state to set future conditions to groundwater conservation

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COFFEE WITH COPS

ABOVE: Clockwise from left, Midland Police officers Craig Matthews and J.R. Smith talk with Joe Willis and Midland County District Clerk Ross Bush during a Coffee with Cops event Wednesday at the Starbucks on Midland Drive. **RIGHT:** Midland Police Sgt. Jimmy Young talks with the Rev. Larry L. Long, pastor of Fellowship Community Church.

Photos by James Durbin
Reporter-Telegram

Judge hears challenge of Texas' gay marriage ban

By Chris Tomlinson
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — A lawyer representing Texas asked a federal judge Wednesday to reject pleas from two gay couples to suspend the state constitution's definition of marriage as between one man and one woman, calling the legalization of same-sex marriages "a more recent innovation than Facebook."

Mike Murphy, an assistant Texas solicitor general, told District Judge Orlando Garcia if he lifted the state's voter-approved ban on gay marriage he would be injecting himself into a social and political debate that should be left to lawmakers.

"These questions are political questions, not constitutional rights," he told the court. "Same-sex marriage is not included in the fundamental right of marriage ... it is a more recent innovation than Facebook."

Garcia scheduled Wednesday's hearing, which he noted was on President Abraham Lincoln's birthday, to consider a motion by two couples for a preliminary injunction immediately lifting the Texas gay marriage ban pending a trial later this year. Garcia did not immediately rule or give an indication when he might release a written decision but predicted this case, or one of 22 similar ones in other states, "will make its way to the Supreme Court."

The case before Garcia is the first of its kind in Texas, and in the conservative 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. Mark Phariss and Victor Holmes filed a federal civil rights lawsuit complaining that Texas' ban unconstitutionally denies them the fundamental right to marry because of their sexual orientation. The other lawsuit was filed by Cleopatra De Leon and Nicole Dimetman, who argue that Texas officials are violating their rights and those of their 2-year-old child by not recognizing their marriage license from Massachusetts.

Holmes and De Leon are both U.S. Air Force veterans who served in San Antonio, though both couples have since moved away.

Attorney General Greg Abbott, a Republican running for governor, opposes legalizing gay marriage and has vowed to defend the law. But civil rights groups recently won injunctions against similar bans in Utah and Oklahoma relying on the same argument being cited in the Texas case — that banning gay marriage violates the equal protection clause of the 14th Amendment.

Neel Lane, an attorney for the two couples, dismissed the state's argument that their rights were not violated because they are free to marry members of the opposite sex. He said that's like holding someone's head underwater and saying the person is free to breathe, just not air.

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Warren: MHS physics teacher resigns

Jefferies

By Tessa Duvall
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Midland High School physics teacher John G. Jefferies II has resigned from the district, Superintendent Ryder Warren confirmed Wednesday.

"I have accepted Mr. Jefferies' resignation from the district," Warren said. "I personally appreciate everything he has done for our children in his tenure here, and we wish him the very best of luck in the future."

Warren declined to say why Jefferies resigned.

Jefferies was arrested on a charge of public intoxication Nov. 6 at the downtown Midland campus and returned to his post at MHS on Jan. 6 when classes began for the semester. However, Jefferies did not resume his normal teaching schedule and instead taught a modified schedule.

Jefferies was placed on administrative leave with pay Nov. 7 after exhibiting erratic behavior during his sixth-period physics class on Nov. 6. MISD police conducted field sobriety tests on Jefferies and concluded he was intoxicated.

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Obituaries

Benita Gonzalez Lujan

Benita Gonzalez Lujan, 66, of Midland, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on Tuesday, February 11, 2014 at Midland Memorial Hospital. She was born on July 14, 1947 in San Juan Ojinaga, Chihuahua Mexico where she was raised and educated.

Benita met and later married Ruben Q. Lujan in 1969. The couple moved to Van Horn, Texas, later settling in Midland. Benita had worked for Snowhite and Fashion Cleaners as a presser. She loved cooking and sharing her time with her loving family. She was a member of San Miguel Archangel Catholic Church.

Benita was preceded in death by her son, Ruben Lujan, Jr.

She is survived by her loving husband of 44 years, Ruben Q. Lujan; sons, Rene Lujan and wife Claudia, Rafael Lujan and wife Diana, all of Midland; daughter, Roxana Ornelas and husband Rey of Odessa; eight grandchildren and one great grandchild.

She is also survived by her parents, Higinio and Eduviges Gonzlez; her brother, Jose de la Cruz Gonzalez; sisters, Anna Maria Sanchez, Imelda Marquez, Rosa Flores and Maricela Gonzalez, all of Midland; and by numerous uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces and cousins.

Rosary for Benita will be tonight at 7:00 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Chapel. Funeral mass is set for Friday, February 14, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at San Miguel Arcangel Catholic Church, with Father Bernardito Getigan officiating. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

Funeral mass is under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel.

Family messages and condolences may be emailed to *pipkin@nts-online.com* or you can visit our website at *www.lewallengarciapipkinfh.com*.

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

Fred Landis

Freddie Paul Landis, 86, of Midland, Texas, passed away peacefully on February 7, 2014. Freddie was born in Kansas City, Kansas on January 22, 1928. He grew up in a farming family near Canton, Kansas, where he learned the value of hard work and commitment to others.

Fred was married to Oshia Stewart on October 7, 1947 in Sacramento, California. He joined the U.S. Air Corps in 1946 at the age of 18, and trained in RADAR, being stationed in Boca Raton, Florida and Sacramento, California. He rose to the rank of Sergeant prior to being honorably discharged in April, 1949.

Freddie and Oshia moved to Texas in 1950, and settled in Midland in 1951. He began his work in the oilfield as a roughneck, and progressed through Driller, Tool Pusher, Drilling Superintendent and finally became the founding President of Landis Drilling Company in 1977. He retired in 1988.

Fred enjoyed playing dominos, and often entertained his friends and family with card tricks and stories of childhood days on the farm and oilfield life. He also loved fishing and enjoyed many hours dancing with his dear friend Lola Moore, as well as traveling to destinations in the United States, Canada and several countries in Europe.

Fred was preceded in death by his wife of 38 years, Oshia Clayton Stewart, who passed away in 1986.

He was also preceded in death by his sisters, Dollie Landis Hershberger of Harrisonville, Missouri, Dorothy Landis Allison of Friendswood, Texas, Rhoda Landis Taylor of Perryton, Texas, and Florence Landis Mowery of Canton, Kansas; as well as his brother, Harold Landis of Canton, Kansas.

Fred is survived by his daughter, Teresa Lynn Taylor (husband David); grandson, Derek Patterson; granddaughter, Emily Rymers; and great grandson, Malakai Rymers, all of San Antonio, Texas.

He is also survived by his son, Gary Landis (wife Cheryl); and grandsons, Ryan Paul Landis and Dylan Mark Landis, of Plano, Texas; and other family and friends.

Fred was a member of First Baptist Church, Midland since 1961. He was a member of the Midland Petroleum Club, Midland Masonic Lodge #623, 32nd Degree Master Mason - Scottish Rite Consistory, Lubbock, Texas, Midland Eagle Lodge, Midland Amvets, and Suez Shrine Temple, San Angelo, Texas.

Family will receive friends on Friday, February 14, 2014 at Ellis Funeral Home between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Funeral service will be on Saturday, February 15, 2014 in the Chapel at Ellis Funeral Home at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

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

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to the M.D. Anderson Memorial Cancer Center of Houston, TX.

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Jack Doyle Rawdon, P. E.

"Having fought the good fight and finished the race, and having kept the faith", Jack Doyle Rawdon, age 80 years, passed from this journey to the next, in his home with his family by his side, in Edmond, Oklahoma, on Friday, February 7, 2014. Jack was a past resident of Midland from 1962 to 1974 and continued to conduct business in the Permian Basin, as well as having many friends in Midland and Odessa.

Jack was born to Charles Irwin and Grace Maude (Fout) Rawdon, who predeceased him. He was born in Stroud, Oklahoma, on January 10, 1934.

He is survived by sisters Joy Rawdon Rutledge of Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Janice Rawdon Scott, of DeSoto, Texas. Jack is the nephew of Aline (Fout) Orcutt of Yukon, Oklahoma, and cousin of Sherry (Rawdon) Connelly of Wellston, Oklahoma.

After graduating from Denver City High School in Texas, Jack proudly served in the United States Army. After being honorably discharged, he went on to earn a degree in petroleum engineering from Texas Tech University, as well as earning the highly coveted and prestigious designation of Professional Engineer (P.E.).

During his career, Jack worked for a number of prominent oil and gas companies in both Texas and Oklahoma. Following a successful career as an oil and gas executive, Jack went on to utilize his artistic and creative talents during his so-called retirement, as a professional home builder and award winning wood carver. Jack's phenomenal carvings hold a place of high honor and esteem, gracing the home of many family members and dear friends who were lucky enough to be given such treasures.

Ernest Hemingway once said, "We are all apprentices in a craft where no one ever becomes a master." Anyone who has tried carving knows that one never becomes so skilled that we cannot improve. Jack was always striving to master his craft and every subsequent work reflected this effort. Jack was entirely self-taught, and his carvings were truly amazing works of art.

Jack is survived by the love of his life, and bride of 59 years, Mary (Bailey) Rawdon. He is predeceased by infant son Danny Shane Rawdon. He is honored by his beloved son, Jackie Charles Rawdon and daughter-in-law, Dr. Andrea (Key) Rawdon, as well as, his most adored and favorite daughter Terri Lynn (Rawdon) McCaleb and son-in-law Caleb McCaleb.

Always a great source of pride and abundant love and always their biggest (and usually most vocal) sports fan are his seven grandchildren: Melissa Ann (Rawdon) Fair and husband, Dr. Richard "Deuce" Fair of Gainesville, Florida; Andrew Charles Rawdon and wife Diana (Hessler) Rawdon of Edmond, Oklahoma, Brett Thomas Rawdon of Oklahoma City, Joshua Carter McCaleb of Edmond, Braden Rawdon McCaleb of Dallas, Texas, Kylie Lynn McCaleb of Edmond, and Elizabeth Key Rawdon of Edmond.

Precious and delightful gifts are Jack's four great-grandchildren: Savannah Ann Fair, Ethan Charles Rawdon, Cameron Presley Fair and Kathryn Grace Rawdon.

Jack so enjoyed his many and varied friends and group activities, be it his Sunday school class, coffee group, square dance club or bridge club. He was especially grateful to Tyrone Kelly, who entered Jack's life as a caregiver, and domino competitor and quickly became a loyal companion and dear friend, for which all Jack's family are eternally grateful.

His recent 80th birthday celebration was a testament to these friendships, with over 125 of his dearest family members honoring Jack. It was truly a day of celebration of a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend honoring a life well lived.

"Now abideth these things: Faith, Hope & Love but the greatest of these is love". Jack Doyle Rawdon embodied the essence of this scripture. His love was true-loyal-heartfelt-exuberant and never-ceasing. It was sprinkled with Jack's own brand of fire and spice, which he fully and wholly owned.

His journey continues with all the love and joy he gave on this earth and is now, and forever will be remembered by all who hold him dear.

The funeral service will be held at Henderson Hills Baptist Church on February 13, 2014, at 2:00 p.m. with Wally Weaver, Elder/Congregational Care Pastor, officiating. Interment to follow at Memorial Park Cemetery, 13313 N. Kelly Avenue, Oklahoma City, OK, 73131.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made by phone to the American Diabetes Association, 1.800.DIABETES (1.800.342.2383) or by mail.

Condolences for the "Rawdon Family" may be offered online at *www.crawfordfuneralservice.com*.

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Nancy Kay Dunlap

Nancy Kay Dunlap was born on February 1, 1950 in Stillwater, Oklahoma. Nancy was the oldest child of Katherine and Marion "Pete" Bateman and sister to Mary Rylander, Pete Bateman, and John Bateman. She married the love of her life, James Spencer Dunlap, on June 1, 1974. Together, they raised four beautiful children: Scott, Kelly, Lori, and Traci. She shared an unbreakable bond with her only grandchild, Cooper Smith, who called her "Sugar."

A graduate and dedicated fan of the University of Texas, Nancy used her talents and passion for reading to help students in the reading recovery program in Texas public schools for over 20 years. Most recently, she retired from DeZavala Elementary, her "DZ Family," where her dedication and love for children still stands.

How much you are missed! Our hearts ache for more time with you. Your touch, your love, and your comforting words have impacted our lives tremendously. You are our rock, our anchor, and our foundation. The times you listened without judgment, the love you gave with no end, the dedication to your family has no equal, and none of these can be replaced. You were a confidant to many and had a deep love for all animals.

We will carry on with your love and kindness always inside us. Because of you, we have grown, we are stronger, and we stand together. We will strive to be the loving person that you always were. Thank you for the impact you have had on our lives. Say "hello" to Granny for us. We love you!

Nancy was preceded in death by her mother, Katherine Bateman.

She is survived by son-in-law, Shane Smith; sister-in-law, Kelley Bateman; brother-in-law, Rick Rylander; lifelong friend, Nancy Cotham Armes; in-laws Dick and Angie Morrison, in-laws Jimmy and Ann Helm, and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In lieu of flowers the family suggests donations to:
"Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, North Texas Chapter, Baylor University Medical Center, 3410 Worth St., Suite 200, Dallas, TX 75246"
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"Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center, 802 Ventura, Midland, TX 79705"
"MISD Education Fund, PO Box 73, Midland, TX 79702"

Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 15, 2014 at First United Methodist Church with the Reverend Macky Pitts officiating.

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

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

Death Notices

D. D. Dean

D. D. Dean, 88, went to be with his Lord on Monday, February 10, 2014.

He is survived by his children, Deborah Tyson, Tanya Cooper, Nancy Duncan and Dalton Dean; seven grandchildren and three great grandchildren; and by other family members.

Funeral services for D. D. Dean will be on Thursday February 13, 2014 at Sherwood Baptist Church in Odessa, Texas.

Geneva M. Buchanan

Geneva M. Buchanan, 69, passed away on Wednesday, February 12, 2012.

She is survived by her husband, Jesse A. Buchanan; a daughter, Jeanie Branch; and by other family members.

A receiving of friends will take place on Thursday, February 13, 2012 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin in Room B.

A Graveside Service will be held on Friday, February 14, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

Lindon Loraine Click

Service for Lindon Loraine Click, 90, will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 13, 2014 at the Church of Christ at S. Howell and E. Hester.

A Private burial will follow at Sundown Cemetery under the direction of Brownfield Funeral Home.

Maria Garcia

Maria Garcia was born October 21, 1936 in Mexico to Abraham and Seferina Valenzuela.

She is survived by her children, Temo Garcia, Armando Garcia, Manuella Garcia Anabella Garcia, Efrain Garcia, Jr., Armain Garcia, Yoen Garcia, Marcy Garcia, and Isela Garcia; 34 grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren; and by other family members.

Teddy Hanford Lancaster

Teddy Hanford Lancaster, 86, died Thursday February 6, 2014 at about 11:55 p.m. Graveside services will be at 11:00 a.m. Thursday at Mount Olive Memorial Park. He is survived by his four children, Carl Lancaster, Vernie Jaeger, Janet Parnell, and Elaine West.

He is also survived by nine grandchildren, 25 great grandchildren; and by other family members.

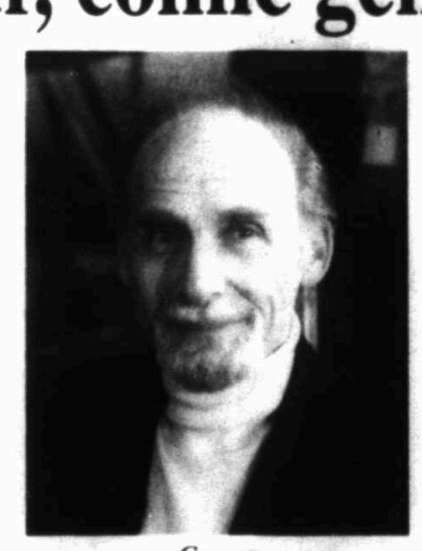
George H. Landreth

George H. Landreth, 86, passed away on Monday, January 10, 2014. Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 15, 2014 at First Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his wife, Christiane Landreth; daughters, Susan Fry, Sandy Kane, and Sherry Landreth; son, George H. Landreth; grandchildren; step-daughters, Jocelyn Million and Anne Hatta; and by other family members.

Sid Caesar, comic genius of 1950s television, dies at 91

By Lynn Elber
Associated Press



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LOS ANGELES — Sid Caesar, the prodigiously talented pioneer of TV comedy who paired with Imogene Coca in sketches that became classics and who inspired a generation of famous writers, died early Wednesday. He was 91.

Caesar died at his home in the Los Angeles area after a brief illness, family spokesman Eddy Friedfeld said.

In his two most important shows, "Your Show of Shows," 1950-54, and "Caesar's Hour," 1954-57, Caesar displayed remarkable skill in pantomime, satire, mimicry, dialect and sketch comedy. And he gathered a stable of young writers who went on to worldwide fame in their own right — including Neil Simon and Woody Allen.

"The one great star that television created and who created television was Sid Caesar," said critic Joel Siegel on the TV documentary "Hail Sid Caesar! The Golden Age Of Comedy," which first aired in 2001.

While best known for his TV shows, which have been revived on DVD in recent years, he also had success on Broadway and occasional film appearances, notably in "It's a Mad Mad Mad Mad World."

If the typical funnyman was tubby or short and scrawny, Caesar was tall and powerful, with a clown's loose limbs and rubbery face, and a trademark mole on his left cheek.

But Caesar never went in for clowning or jokes. He wasn't interested. He insisted that the laughs come from the everyday.

"Real life is the true comedy," he said in a 2001 interview with The Associated Press. "Then everybody knows what you're talking about." Caesar brought observational comedy to TV before the term, or such latter-day practitioners as Jerry Seinfeld, were even born.

In one celebrated routine, Caesar impersonated a gumball machine; in another, a baby; in another, a ludicrously overemotional guest on a parody of "This Is Your Life."

The son of Jewish immigrants, Caesar was a wizard at spouting melting-pot gibberish that parodied German, Russian, French and other languages. His Professor was the epitome of goofy Germanic scholarship.

Some compared him to Charlie Chaplin for his success at combining humor with touches of pathos.

"As wild an idea as you get, it won't go over unless it has a believable basis to start off with," he told The Associated Press in 1955. "The viewers have to see you basically as a person first, and after that you can go on into left field."

Caesar performed with such talents as Howard Morris and Nanette Fabray, but his most celebrated collaborator was the brilliant Coca, his "Your Show of Shows" co-star.

Coca and Caesar performed skits that satirized the everyday — marital spats, inane advertising, strangers meeting and speaking in clichis, a parody of the Western "Shane" in which the hero was "Strange." They staged a waterlogged spoof of the love scene in "From Here to Eternity." "The Hickenloopers" husband-and-wife skits became a staple.

"The chemistry was perfect, that's all," Coca, who died in 2001, once said. "We never went out together; we never see each other socially. But for years we worked together from 10 in the morning to 6 or 7 at night every day of the week. What made it work is that we found the same things funny."

Caesar worked closely with his writing staff as they found inspiration in silent movies, foreign films and the absurdities of '50s postwar prosperity.

Among those who wrote for Caesar: Mel Brooks, Larry Gelbart, Simon and his brother Danny Simon, and Allen, who was providing gags to Caesar and other entertainers while still in his teens.

Carl Reiner, who wrote in addition to performing on the show, based his "Dick Van Dyke Show" — with its fictional TV writers and their temperamental star — on his experiences there. Simon's 1993 "Laughter on the 23rd Floor" and the 1982 movie "My Favorite Year" also were based on the Caesar show.

A 1996 roundtable discussion among Caesar and his writers was turned into a public television special. Said Simon, the Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright: "None of us who've gone on to do other things could have done them without going through this show."

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Chipotle's grand opening set for March 13

By Cale Ottens
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Good news for the Midlanders who've been craving a burrito from Chipotle Mexican Grill: the restaurant announced this week that its Midland location will open March 13.

Chris Arnold, a spokesman for the Denver-based company, said last month that Chipotle anticipated a mid-February open. But because of construction delays, the grand opening was pushed back about a month from when the company originally estimated, according to the company.

The restaurant — located at 2820 W. Loop 250 N., Suite 210 — became another step closer to its grand opening last week when it hung signs.

Chipotle will be housed in a stand-alone building within The Commons at Northpark shopping center. The 1,945-square-foot space is connected to the new Vitamin Shoppe, which also recently opened.

About 30 new jobs were created by Chipotle, company spokesman Chris Arnold said last month.

Burritos, tacos, burrito bowls — burritos without the tortilla — and salads are the main dishes featured on the menu. Carnitas (pork), steak, and barbacoa (chicken) are the available meats. There are also some vegetarian options like grilled vegetables, black beans, pinto beans and guacamole. Each burrito and burrito bowl is also served with steamed white or brown rice.

The restaurant allows 64 customers to sit either inside or on the outdoor patio, according to the company. Customers can also order online at www.chipotle.com. The Midland store will be open 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily.

Chipotle is extremely popular around the country and has been long awaited in the Permian Basin. A Facebook group was created more than three years ago called "Bring Chipotle Mexican Grill to Midland/Odessa, TX." The group now has more than 450 followers.

Lubbock is currently the closest location to Midland.

It's more unusual for new Chipotle locations to open in new markets where they don't already exist — like Midland, Arnold said. Roughly 20 percent of new restaurants open in new markets, he said. New restaurants usually open in markets that already have existing stores because the corporate company feels more confident that it will be successful.

Crime Stoppers offers $6,000 reward for information on MISD laptop

By Tyler White
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After receiving $5,000 from an anonymous donor, Midland Crime Stoppers is offering a larger-than-usual reward for tips relating to the case in which a Midland ISD laptop was taken.

Angie Valenzuela, Crime Stoppers' executive director, said the $6,000 reward will provide a greater incentive for people to come forward with information about the January incident.

This particular case involved a burglary of a vehicle call on Jan. 23. An HP Probook 6550 laptop, laptop case and an external hard drive were taken from an unlocked pickup, according to Reporter-Telegram records. The hard drive contained Social Security numbers and birth dates of 14,000 current and former students.

Valenzuela said Crime Stoppers has yet to receive any tips in this case, but she is optimistic.

"We know that someone out there knows something, especially with everything that's been going on in the media," she said.

Anyone with information can call Midland Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS (8477) or 800-7-LOCKUP (562587), and callers will remain anonymous. Tips can also be sent via online at midlandcrimestoppers.com or text TIP247 and a message to 274637.

Midland Beekeeping Club starts at Sibley Nature Center

By Rachael Gleason
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Club info
When: Second Tuesday of each month
Next meeting: March 11 at 6 p.m.
Where: Sibley Nature Center, 1307 E. Wadley Ave.
Call Shauna: 720-290-5431
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Calling all Midland beekeepers: A new club formed this year to introduce experienced hive hobbyists to members just getting started.

The club met for the first time Tuesday at Sibley Nature Center, where future meetings will take place on the second Tuesday of each month.

Late winter is the best time to set up hives, which typically start producing honey by early summer, said club leader Shauna Drebenstedt, who has been keeping bees in Greenwood for about a year.

"I wanted to have a place to share and learn," Drebenstedt said. "I'm hoping we can just pick each others' brains."

That's when Sibley Nature Center museum scientist Michael Nickell shared his experience starting a bee hive. At first he thought, 'You don't need to keep bees, they'll keep themselves.'

"Oh, how naive I was," he said, noting ants soon took over. "My bee colony turned into an ant farm."

Nickell also showed a TED Talk film about the importance of honey bees, in which bee researcher Marla Spivak displays a picture of a full grocery store produce section.

"This is our life with bees," she said, noting one-third of crop production depends on honey bee pollination.

Next came an empty produce section — or a life without bees — according to Spivak. The bee researcher worries about the nationwide decline of bee colonies. There were 4.5 million colonies in 1945 and only 2 million in 2007.

That's partly because post-World War II farming practices created a "dysfunctional food system" depending on monoculture farms and pesticides, Spivak said. Diseases, parasites and flowerless landscapes are also to blame for colony decline, she said.

To protect the species, Spivak asked the audience to plant more bee-friendly flowers without using pesticides.

"We're at a tipping point; we really can't afford to lose any more," she said. "Maybe it seems like a really small countermeasure to a big huge problem — just go plant flowers. But when bees have access to good nutrition, we have access to good nutrition through their pollination services."

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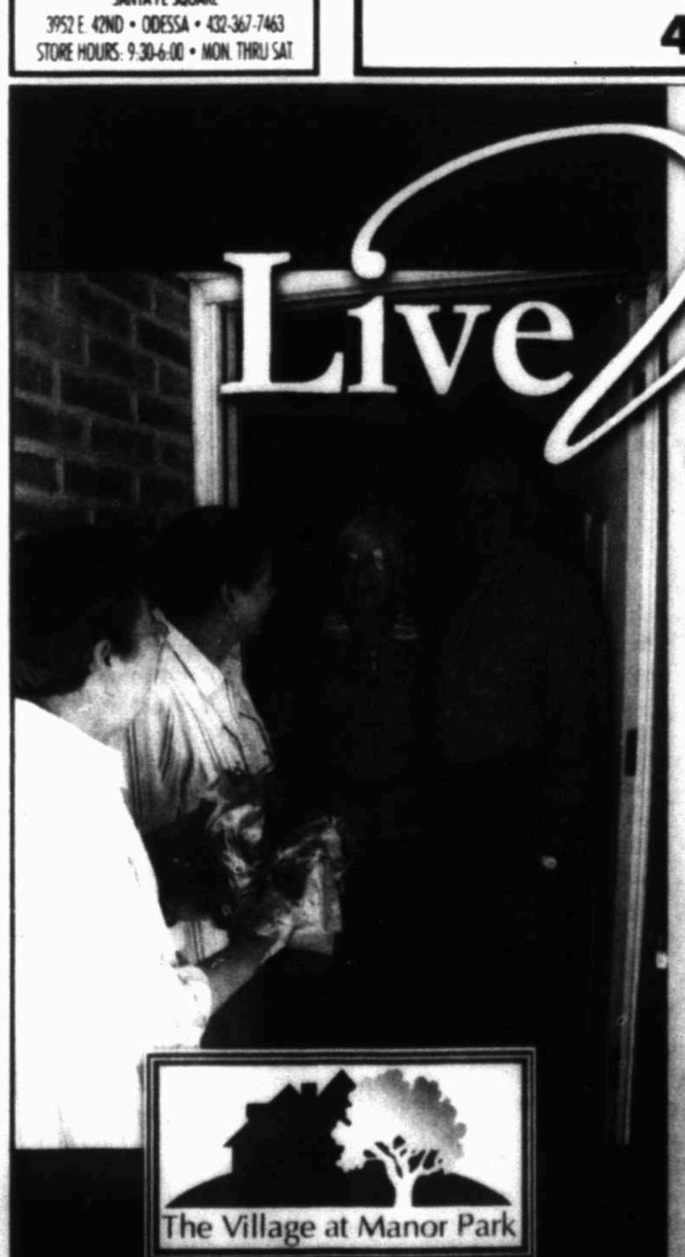
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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

■ Storytime for birth through 2, 9:30 a.m., 2 to 6 at 10:30 a.m., Midland County Public Library downtown location. www.co.midland.tx.us.

■ Watoto Children's Choir, 6:30 p.m., True-Life Christian Fellowship Church. watoto.com.

■ Improv at the Yucca, 8 p.m., Yucca Theatre. mctmidland.org.

■ Mike Tyson: Undisputed Truth at Far West Event Center in Odessa. 381-9378.

■ "The African Americans: Many Rivers to Cross" screenings, 6:30 p.m., Midland College Scharbauer Student Center Carrasco Room. midland.edu.

Support group, club meetings today

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

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

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

■ TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, Christian Church of Midland, 2609 Neely Ave.; weigh-in at 5:30 p.m. 694-8643.

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

Movies in Midland

■ Tall City 14:

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Closing: "Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit," "The Nut Job," "I, Frankenstein"

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Closing: "Frozen," "Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit"

See more entertainment news in Weekender/inside

CDBG meeting

The city of Midland is seeking public input on the use of Community Development Block Grant funds intended to benefit low- and moderate-income individuals. Two meetings are planned.

■ 7 p.m. Feb. 25 at Southeast Senior Center, 1803 E. Indiana Ave.

■ 7 p.m. March 4 at Casa de Amigos, 1101 E. Garden Lane

For more information, call the Community Development office at 685-7472 or 432-685-7408.

Source: City of Midland

Reporter–Telegram on radio

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

Project Graduation

Sponsors are needed for 2014 Project Graduation, an alcohol- and drug-free all-night celebration for Midland graduates and their guests. The annual event includes games, entertainment, food and prizes, and is funded solely through donations from individuals, businesses and foundations, according to a press release.

The year's party is set for May 31 at Midland Center. To contribute, "like" the Project Graduation Facebook page or contact the chairmen at midlandprojectgraduation@gmail.com.

How sick are you?

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

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

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

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Today in history

Today is Thursday, Feb. 13, the 44th day of 2014. There are 321 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On Feb. 13, 1914, the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers, ASCAP, was founded in New York to protect the copyrights of creators and ensure compensation for public performances of their works.

Photo by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Former NFL player turned state representative Scott Turner shared a story of struggle and perseverance Wednesday at Midland Christian School.

Calling on a deep-seated Christian faith and work ethic, Turner quieted voices telling him he was too small and too inexperienced to earn a spot as a professional football player, a dream he had since age 10. Turner's chance at the big time boiled down to a 40-yard dash.

"Thirteen years of not giving up for 4 seconds," he told a packed gym. "How long are you willing to hold on to your dreams? How long are you willing to persevere?"

After eight years in the NFL playing for the Washington Redskins, San Diego Chargers and Denver Broncos, the motivational speaker and businessman successfully ran for political office in Frisco. He's currently challenging state Rep. Joe Straus for speaker of the Texas House in 2015.

"God has called us to be light in the darkness," said Turner, rallying students to make a difference in their generation through faith.

Wendy Davis says she supports medical marijuana

Associated Press

DALLAS — Democratic candidate for governor Wendy Davis said Tuesday that she supports the use of medical marijuana and would consider decriminalizing possession of small amounts of the substance.

She explained her position in an interview with the Dallas Morning News editorial board.

"We as a state need to think about the cost of that incarceration and, obviously, the cost to the taxpayers as a consequence of it, and whether we're really solving any problem for the state by virtue of incarcerations for small amounts of marijuana possession," Davis said, according to a transcript of the meeting and confirmed by the Davis campaign.

Davis told editors that Texas should learn from the experiences of other states when considering revamping drug laws. She said she's not sure how she would vote if Texas had a referendum on legalizing marijuana like the ones held in Washington and Colorado.

"I want to wait and see what happens in Colorado," Davis said. "Do I have any objections to the fact that citizens might want to legalize marijuana? No, I don't. But I think watching to see how this experiment plays out in other states is probably advisable before I could tell you for sure."

Gov. Rick Perry has said he supports decriminalizing possession of small amounts of marijuana, partially because the state is trying to keep non-violent offenders out of prisons. He opposes legalizing the drug and would continue to make selling it illegal.

Perry and other Republicans, though, oppose medical marijuana that Davis said she would legalize, if Texas voters supported it.

"I personally believe that medical marijuana should be allowed for," she said. "Certainly as governor I think it's important to be deferential to whether the state of Texas feels that it's ready for that."

Photos by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

LEFT: Sen. Kel Seliger talks with Eva Salcido Wednesday at the Midland County Republican Women's luncheon. **RIGHT:** Former Mayor Mike Canon talks with Billie Merriman.

RACE

From 1A

districts, nor will it author the district's management plan.

"But if you notice, he (Canon) doesn't say what he would do for water conservation," Seliger said.

Seliger said that under SB 346, if a nonprofit spends money for political purposes, it has to list who contributed the money. He said the bill is about openness and transparency — the need to know who participates in the political system.

"The things he said about SB 302 and SB 346 are absolutely false," Seliger said. "And for a lawyer not to know how the First Amendment applies and how transparency meets the requirements of the Supreme Court to me is ... My son is going to the same law school that he went to, and I'm really worried."

Canon also attacked Seliger's list of special interest contributors, including Time Warner Cable and Friends of the University of Houston.

Seliger's response would be that he is proud of the support he has received. He mentioned the conservative groups that backed him, including the Texas Alliance for Life and Texas Rifle Association.

And to further his point, Canon referenced the bad conservative ratings Seliger has received from groups such as Young Conservatives of Texas and Heritage Alliance to show that Seliger is "among the most liberal of our Republican senators."

Seliger used some time in his speech to defend his conservative values and said that in the 10 years he has been in the Legislature, the state budget has increased at a rate less than the rate of inflation and population growth, adding that he has returned money from his office budget to the taxpayers.

"Because if you say that you're conservative, show that you're conservative," Seliger said.

BAN

From 1A

He also rejected Murphy's argument that lawmakers did not exclude homosexuals by passing the ban but were trying to promote responsible procreation.

"If marriage is good for children, then it is irrational to prohibit homosexual couples who could have children from being married," he said, pointing out that gays may adopt children in Texas.

While Garcia listened to arguments, another federal judge decided Wednesday that Kentucky must recognize gay marriages performed in other states. In a 23-page ruling, U.S. District Judge John G. Heyburn II concluded that the government may define marriage and attach benefits to it, but cannot "impose a traditional or faith-based limitation" without a sufficient justification for it.

In his comments from the bench, Garcia mentioned key civil rights laws passed after the end of the Civil War and pointed out that racial segregation and bans on interracial marriage were part of American tradition until federal judges declared them unconstitutional.

Attorneys general in other states have taken mixed approaches to court challenges to bans on gay marriage. Utah and Oklahoma are fighting rulings lifting their bans. In Nevada and Virginia, attorneys general have chosen not to defend them.

The couples denied that they are trying to redefine marriage or carve out a new constitutional right.

"Marriage is something when two people who are committed to each other, who love each other and who want to demonstrate that commitment," Holmes said. "I think that is what the tradition is about and that tradition should apply to us."

CRIMEBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MPD: Man robs nail salon for $12

A knife-wielding Midland man robbed a nail salon on Monday but made off with only $12, according to his arrest affidavit.

Flores

Nicolas Manuel Flores, 21, is being held on a $100,000 bond for a first-degree felony charge of aggravated robbery.

A Midland police officer responded to a robbery shortly after 10 a.m. Monday at Heavenly Nails, 3314 W. Illinois Ave.

The alleged victim said she parked her vehicle in front of the salon and walked to the front door. A man, later identified as Flores, walked past her carrying a white plastic bag.

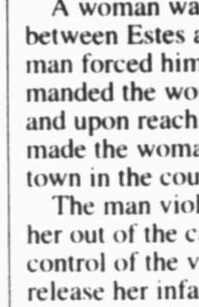
Flores entered the business holding a large Bowie knife and demanded cash. She opened the cash register and Flores took the $12 inside before leaving the business, according to the affidavit.

Investigators found Flores at about 8:40 p.m. Tuesday at his residence. Flores told them he did not intend to hurt anyone with the knife. He said he committed the robbery because he "simply needed the money," the affidavit states.

If convicted, Flores faces five to 99 years in prison.

Sheriff: Odessan arrested on child indecency charge

An Odessa man was arrested Wednesday for allegedly touching a 14-year-old female family member, according to court documents.



Free

Randal Thomas Free, 40, is being held on a second-degree felony charge of indecency with a child through sexual contact. Bond information is currently unavailable.

Midland County deputies were called to a local junior high school at about 4 p.m. Feb. 5 in reference to a sexual assault of a child.

The alleged victim said Free had been touching her private parts and attempted to have her touch his genitals. A similar incident occurred last summer, as well, according to the arrest affidavit.

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

MPD: Man wanted in connection to carjacking

Midland police and Midland Crime Stoppers are searching for a suspect in a carjacking and assault case, according to the city's public information officer.

A woman was driving in the area of Carver Street between Estes and Cuthbert avenues on Saturday when a man forced himself into her vehicle. The suspect demanded the woman take him to the east side of Midland, and upon reaching the location, changed his mind and made the woman take him to a secluded location east of town in the county, according to PIO Sara Higgins.

The man violently assaulted the woman and forced her out of the car, continuing to assault her. He then took control of the vehicle as the woman pleaded for him to release her infant son, who was still in the vehicle. After she removed the infant from the car, the man left them stranded, Higgins said.

A passing motorist witnessed the incident and called for help, Higgins said.

The suspect is described as a short, Hispanic male with black hair and a thin black mustache. He was wearing a gray or white shirt and blue jeans.

Anyone with information can call Midland Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS (8477).

FELONYARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Melvin R. Childress, 19, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with sexual assault of a child and bench warrant.

Nicolas M. Flores, 21, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with aggravated robbery.

Aaron R. Ford, 39, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with assault on EMS personnel providing service.

Lorenzo Gonzales-Luzoya, 20, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with criminal mischief between $1,500 and $20,000.

Raymond L. Jefferson, 35, of Bryan, was charged Tuesday with burglary of a habitation, robbery and bench warrant.

Michelle R. Johnson, 23, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with violation of probation.

Casey V. Powell, 35, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with aggravated assault causing serious bodily injury and abandoning or endangering a child with imminent danger of bodily injury.

Donald R. Price, 61, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with theft.

Marcos Rodriguez, 25, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram and failure to appear or bail jumping.

Michael Rodriquez, 39, of Lubbock, was charged Tuesday with violation of probation.

Kyle K. Saldana, 23, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with abandoning or endangering a child with imminent danger of bodily injury.

Allisa K. Vandenburg, 24, of Midland, was charged Tuesday with violation of probation.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Universities navigate boycott against Israel

Associated Press

AUSTIN — A growing international boycott of Israeli schools and universities over the nation's settlement activities is placing the University of Texas at Austin and Texas A&M University in an awkward position.

UT President Bill Powers has denounced the boycott as an attack on academic freedom. Meanwhile, the university is contributing $15,000 to an annual conference of the Native American and Indigenous Studies Association, which supports the boycott, the Austin American-Statesman reported Wednesday.

Texas A&M is co-sponsoring the May 29-31 conference in Austin. It has remained silent on the boycott as it considers establishing a branch campus in Nazareth, Israel's largest city with an Arab majority.

A&M is committed to academic freedom and freedom of expression, including "the right of any organization to go through procedures with its membership to make a statement on behalf of that organization," said Karan Watson, A&M provost and executive vice president.

The Palestinian-led movement in favor of boycott, divestment and sanctions — known by the acronym BDS — was launched in 2005. Some activists have called for a binational state in all of the Holy Land while others support a two-state solution.

"We do not dissociate from organizations with which we disagree," Randy Diehl, dean of UT's College of Liberal Arts, said in a statement. "Nor do we discourage our faculty members from affiliating with them."

Top leaders of dozens of colleges have rejected the boycott as an assault on intellectual and cultural exchange between nations and peoples. The American Association of University Professors opposes the boycott on principle, while the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities called it "severely misguided and wrongheaded."

Sinkhole collapses part of Corvette Museum in Ky.

Associated Press

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This image provided by the National Corvette Museum shows several cars that collapsed into a sinkhole Wednesday in Bowling Green, Ky. The museum said eight cars were damaged when a sinkhole opened up early Wednesday inside the museum.

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. — A gaping sinkhole collapsed part of the National Corvette Museum in Kentucky on Wednesday, damaging eight prized cars that plunged in a heap while the attraction geared to the classic American sports car was closed to visitors.

"They're all just kind of nose down in the bottom of the hole," said Western Kentucky University engineering professor Matt Dettman, part of a team brought in to assess the damage and the stability of the surrounding area.

Six of the cars were owned by the museum and two — a 1993 ZR-1 Spyder and a 2009 ZR1 Blue Devil — were on loan from General Motors, said museum spokeswoman Katie Frassinelli.

The other cars damaged were a 1962 black Corvette, a 1984 PPG Pace Car, a 1992 White 1 Millionth Corvette, a 1993 Ruby Red 40th Anniversary Corvette, a 2001 Mallett Hammer Z06 Corvette and a 2009 white 1.5 Millionth Corvette.

Bowling Green city spokeswoman Kim Lancaster said the hole opened up at about 5:40 a.m. Wednesday, setting off an alarm and a call to the fire department. Frassinelli said no one was in the museum at the time.

The hole opened in part of the museum's domed section, and that area will remain closed. That's an original part of the facility that was completed in 1994. The fire department estimated the hole to be about 40 feet across and 25 to 30 feet deep.

"It's certainly a sad day here," said museum executive director Wendell Strode.

Frassinelli said the rest of the museum was open Wednesday. Visitors trickled into the museum, some unaware that the main exhibit area was closed.

"That's a whole lot of money just to throw down a hole," said Alida Kriete, who stopped with her family on their way back home in Indiana after a vacation.

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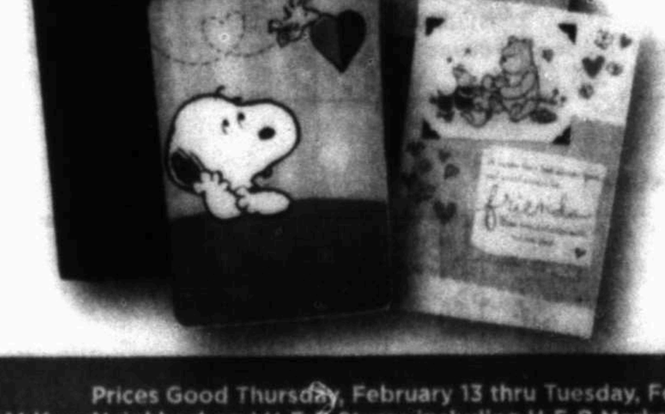
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AOL chairman opens debate on preemies

■ He painfully points out the cost to his company, instead of pushing for breakthroughs that would reduce the number of premature births

ESTHER CEPEDA

Washington Post Writers Group

Tim Armstrong is the corporate villain du jour for singling out the high costs of caring for sick babies. But the AOL chief executive did America's premature infants a big favor by bringing their pint-sized pains to national attention.

Trust me, no one thinks nearly enough about preemies.

Not modern medicine — it has advanced in treating neonates but not in preventing premature births. And not mothers-to-be — even the ones who obsess about every moment of their pregnancy in the hopes of having a healthy baby.

More on that in a moment.

First, let's recap.

During a conference call with employees, Armstrong is reported to have blamed changes to the company's retirement savings plan on higher medical costs associated with the Affordable Care Act and on the 2012 births of two "distressed babies" of AOL employees who supposedly had cost "a million dollars each" to care for.

Armstrong later apologized and even reversed his decision on the 401(k) match, but not before the novelist Deanna Fei — the wife of an AOL employee who recognized her family's situation in Armstrong's comments — went public with her humiliation. She said Armstrong's mention of her baby's struggle was "a violation of my family's privacy" and "a complete dehumanization of my daughter."

Good for her, she is a great champion for preemies.

Writing in Slate magazine, Fei described the lead-up to her daughter's birth: "There was nothing high-risk about my pregnancy. I never had a single risk factor for a preterm birth, let alone one as extreme as this one. Until the morning I woke up in labor, every exam indicated that our daughter was perfectly healthy."

Welcome to the club, momma. It's a terrible sisterhood to belong to and — adding insult to injury — a lot of people mistakenly believe that mothers who have preemies are poor, uneducated and unhealthy and could (and should) have prevented it.

Not so.

Though it is statistically accurate to say that minority women tend to deliver preterm babies more often than whites, "premature birth can happen to anyone," the Mayo Clinic notes. "In fact, many women who have a premature birth have no known risk factors."

I've had three babies, each one born preterm. Previous premature delivery is a risk factor for a preemie birth, so the second and third early arrivals were less of a shock. But that first infant set me straight on all the preconceived notions of what causes premature birth.

I was middle class, college-educated, healthy, of normal weight, and I didn't drink or smoke. I ate well, exercised throughout my pregnancies and, it goes without saying, had excellent health care that included a thorough birthing class in which my husband and I learned about all the emergency protocols and birthing tools that are used to deliver a distressed baby.

Nothing had prepared us to actually need to understand the medical jargon and recognize all the equipment a struggling preemie needs just to breathe and eat.

Yet, though we live in one of the richest countries in the world, we were just one of a very large crowd of families in the United States who very unexpectedly didn't have the storybook birth they'd dreamed of.

According to the World Health Organization, 12 percent (500,000) of all babies in the U.S. are born before their due date — a rate far higher than in Europe, Canada, Australia or Japan. Put another way: preemies represent about one in eight live births in this country.

And the ones who survive do so at a ridiculous expense. According to the March of Dimes, preterm births in the United States cost more than $26 billion annually. In 2009, the cost to employers was more than $12 billion in excess health care expenses through the first year of life.

By all means, let's talk about preemies: Their multibillion-dollar annual cost, how their gestation could eventually be prolonged, how their early arrival sets them up for a lifetime of catching up to peers, and how pregnant women can be effectively targeted for preventive measures.

As a boss, Armstrong might care primarily about the employer costs of an unexpectedly premature baby. But as a leader he can redeem himself from his gaffe by joining the rest of us in pushing for medical breakthroughs that will spare families the awful pain of delivering their babies too soon.

In an earlier column, the name of Peter Asaad was misspelled. Asaad is also a member of, and not a representative of, the American Immigration Lawyers Association.

GUEST VIEW

Time to curb texting and driving

Houston Chronicle

Reasonable people would agree that driving while distracted is a risky business, and that driving while texting is an even more dangerous undertaking.

But many of those same people fix their make-up, eat a burger, talk on their phone and, yes, even text while driving.

So it should come as no surprise that we don't do a very good job of curbing those practices, especially in Texas.

While 41 other states ban texting while driving for all drivers, we have no statewide ban, with a few exceptions — for bus drivers, novice drivers and drivers in school zones.

But there could be hope on the horizon, as reported by the Chronicle's Stewart M. Powell.

Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., chairman of the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation, frustrated by slow progress, convened a summit last week to explore solutions among different industries by developing technologies that can redirect nonemergency incoming calls and block drivers from making non-emergency calls and texts while driving.

It's a worthy goal, and one that we applaud. A large part of our current problem is that even among those who would welcome restrictions, there is valid disagreement on the scope of any ban and how it could be enforced.

Take Texas: A KUHS-KHOU election poll last September showed that 88 percent of voters were in favor of banning texting while driving.

In 2011, a bipartisan bill to do just that reached Gov. Rick Perry's desk and he vetoed it, calling it "overreach.... a government effort to micromanage the behavior of adults." The bill was re-introduced this past session, in 2013, but never came to a vote.

Around the state, several cities, including Austin, El Paso and San Antonio, have banned texting while driving.

But Houston Mayor Annise Parker, who originally had planned to follow suit after the 2013 bill failed, upon reflection decided, "Not at this time. We are really focused on the public awareness campaign."

She had a point. Which is why the Rockefeller summit could be valuable in urging dialogue and cooperation among companies that profit from coming up with what Americans want. Let them raise our awareness.

Let them show us, as they do with ads touting the safety features of their cars, or with new apps for mobile devices.

And let's see public service, educational ads, like we saw on wearing seat belts and not drinking and driving. Then Americans can see their options and vote with their pocketbooks, as they do so well.

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Seinfeld needs to get out more

■ The comedian apparently doesn't know minorities can be funny or he doesn't know many minorities

RUBEN NAVARRETTE

Washington Post Writers Group

Unlike the theme of the hit television show he helped create, the brouhaha involving Jerry Seinfeld and comedians of color is not about nothing.

For me, it brings to mind a distant memory. Almost 30 years ago, in a dorm room on the Charles River, I found myself in a heated argument with a white roommate over affirmative action. At one point, he insisted that when it came to doling out admissions spots at universities or professional opportunities in the job market, the benefit should go not to the underrepresented minority but to "the most qualified" applicant. The problem was that — in his worldview — the minority and "the most qualified" were never the same person.

Now, Seinfeld seems to be making the same mistake. Apparently, there are those comedians who are funny — the vast majority being white males. Imagine the odds of that. And then over here, in a separate pile, there are those comedians who are African-American, Latino, Asian-American or Native American. And the really enlightened approach is to only draw talent from the funny pile. Anything else is political correctness, which has no place in the serious world of comedy.

We know this because of how defensive Seinfeld became during a recent interview when he was asked on "CBS This Morning" about the criticism that he has received for the glaring lack of racial and ethnic diversity in his quirky new Web series, "Comedians in Cars Getting Coffee."

The concept is simple enough. Seinfeld pulls up to a fellow comedian's house in a vintage automobile, and the two then go have coffee and talk about, well, nothing in particular. By the way, it's usually a "him" given that, out of more than two dozen clips, only two women were invited for coffee. There were also two non-white comedians who made the cut.

Questioned by BuzzFeed Business Editor Peter Lauria about the lack of diversity, Seinfeld got aggressive. "People think it's the census or something," he said. "This has gotta represent the actual pie chart of America? Who cares? Funny is the world that I live in. You're funny, I'm interested. You're not funny, I'm not interested. I have no interest in gender or race or anything like that."

Again, see above. It's not either/or. Women and minorities can be funny. And there are plenty of hilarious comedians out there who are women or minorities. Paging George Lopez, Chris Tucker and Margaret Cho.

Seinfeld made things worse when he went on to say that approaching comedy through a racial lens was "anti-comedy" because "It's more about PC nonsense than 'Are you making us laugh or not?'"

So looking at the world through a racial lens is "anti-comedy?" Who knew? It seems that Seinfeld has never heard of Richard Pryor, Freddie Prinze, Dick Gregory, or Cheech and Chong. He doesn't know what he's missing.

Besides, it's not like the comedian has the best track record on diversity. As others have noted, "Seinfeld" — the hit show that he co-created with Larry David and which lasted nine seasons (1989-1998) — seems to have been set in a bizarro world version of New York where one of the most diverse cities in the world was depicted as almost exclusively white.

Actually, that's not totally fair. I've seen just about every "Seinfeld" episode, and I remember a few Latino characters. There was the thick-accented cockfighter, the thick-accented hotel maid, the thick-accented street thug, the thick-accented rioters at a Puerto Rican Day parade. You know, ordinary folks — the sort that I run across every day in my community.

Besides, take a look at the Web series. This isn't "Masterpiece Theater" we're talking about. What does it take to be qualified for this gig? You have to be funny, enjoy coffee and be willing to get into a car with Jerry Seinfeld.

I would venture a guess that there are, in the vast universe of comedy in America, a number of comedians of color who have the chops to pull this off. It just seems that Seinfeld doesn't know many of them. He really needs to get out more — and not just for coffee.

From the Left | Doonesbury

From the Right | Mallard Fillmore

Mass. woman found guilty in cut-from-womb killing

Associated Press

WORCESTER, Mass. — A woman accused of killing her pregnant friend three months after her own miscarriage was convicted Wednesday of beating and strangling the friend, then cutting the baby from her womb and passing the child off as her daughter.

Julie Corey sobbed as a Worcester Superior Court jury found her guilty of the 2009 murder of 23-year-old Darlene Haynes. The jurors had deliberated for 10 hours over two days. Sentencing was scheduled for Tuesday.

Prosecutors said Haynes was eight months pregnant when Corey attacked her and cut the baby out of her body. They told the jury that Corey had been pregnant, too, but had a miscarriage three months earlier and told her boyfriend and family that Haynes' baby was her own.

"It's probably the most horrific case this office has ever seen in terms of facts," District Attorney Joseph Early Jr. said in a statement after the verdict was handed down. "This woman was killed for her baby."

Corey, 39, did not testify during the trial.

"I feel comfortable that justice was done for Darlene," Haynes' uncle, Karl Whitney, of Palmer, told the Worcester Telegram & Gazette. He said he feels sorry for Corey's family. "I just can't imagine going through something like that with one of my children."

Corey's lawyers contended that police failed to follow up on leads that could have implicated other potential suspects in the killing, including Haynes' ex-boyfriend. They also suggested that Haynes' ex-boyfriend had given Corey and her boyfriend, Alex Dion, the baby. Dion denied that on the witness stand.

Defense lawyer Michael Wilcox said he was disappointed with the verdict, but not surprised. He said they plan to appeal.

"We were aware of the evidence against her," Wilcox said, adding that the facts alone in the case were difficult to discuss. "We worked very hard to present the jury with a different picture, but we weren't ultimately successful."

Wilcox said he would not comment on Corey's reaction but said it was understandable that she was upset.

"She faced the somber realization that she will spend the rest of her life in prison," he said.

Haynes' body was found in a closet in her apartment on July 27, 2009. She had been beaten in the head and strangled with an electrical cord. Her abdomen had been cut open, and her baby was gone.

Corey, Dion and Haynes' baby were found two days later at a homeless shelter in Plymouth, N.H. Her lawyers acknowledged that she was found with the baby but said she played no role in Haynes' slaying.

Dion testified that Corey, whom he believed was pregnant at the time, called him on July 23, 2009, and told him she was giving Haynes a ride to a store. Later that night, Corey called him to say her water had broken and a friend was taking her to the hospital to give birth, Dion said.

A couple of hours later, Corey called him again and said, "We had a baby," Dion testified. Dion said Corey arrived home the next morning with a baby girl he believed was his daughter. He said he and Corey introduced the baby to family and friends over the next couple of days.

The girl, now 4, lives with her biological father.

Rick Cinclair/AP

Julie Corey stands in Worcester, Mass., Superior Court on Wednesday, before a jury declared her guilty of the 2009 murder of Darlene Haynes. She was convicted of killing her pregnant friend three months after her own miscarriage and then cutting the baby from her womb and passing the child off as her daughter.

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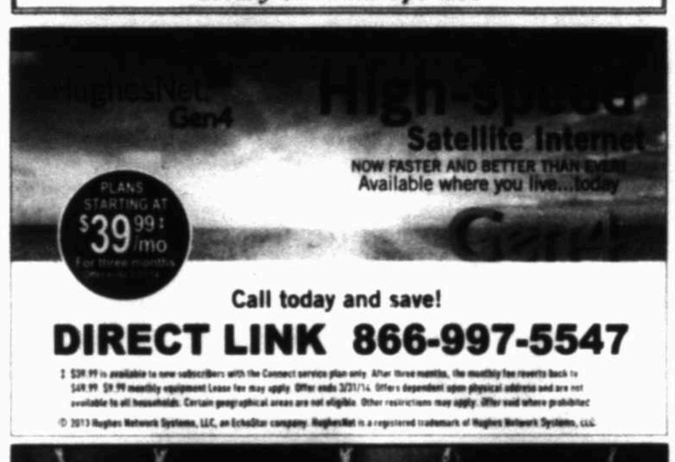

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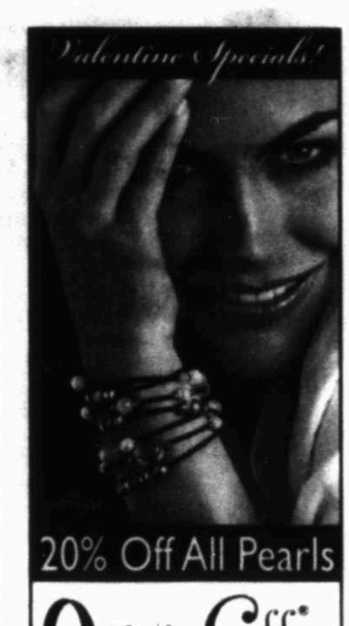

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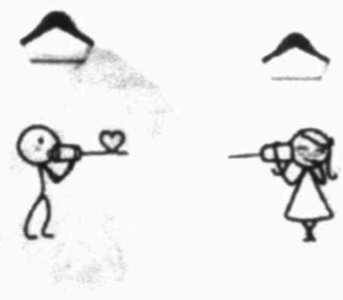

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FRIDAY

ART FROM THE HEART
The Ellen Noel Art Museum is hosting a Valentine's Day event with live music, drinks and wine glass painting.

SATURDAY

EVERYBODY CUT LOOSE
This weekend marks the final performances of "Footloose" at Permian Playhouse.

SUNDAY

SENTIMENTAL STRINGS
Permian Basin String Quartet will perform "Something Borrowed, Somethin' Blue" at Wagner Noel.

See complete schedule of weekend events on Page 2.

MOVIES

Films opening and closing this week at Midland theaters:

TALL CITY 14
Opening: "Winter's Tale," "About Last Night," "Endless Love," "Philomena"
Closing: "Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit," "The Nut Job," "I, Frankenstein"

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Opening: "About Last Night," "Winter's Tale," "Endless Love"
Closing: "Frozen," "Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit"

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

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LIVE IN THE BASIN
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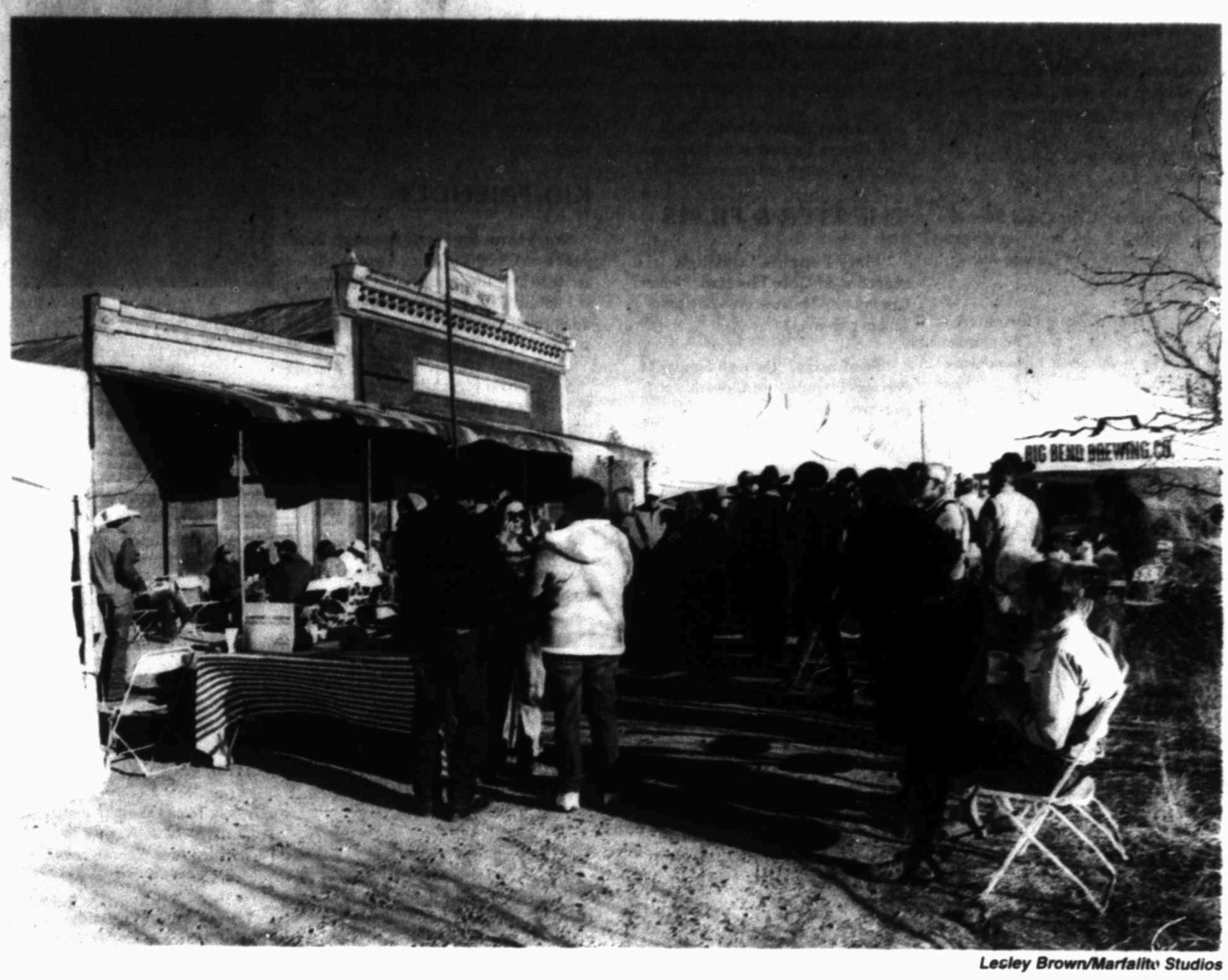

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HEARTS WILL TRAVEL

Big Bend Brewing brings the love to Valentine

By Rich Lopez
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Beer may not immediately evoke images of romance, but Big Bend Brewing is about to change that. For its second Big Bend Brewing Company Valentine's Day event in Valentine, the brewery will debut, for one night only, its Pink Prickly Pear Ale while Gary P. Nunn headlines the mega-concert event in a town of fewer than 200 people. The company will turn the vintage Mercantile Building in Valentine into a lollapalooza of love and music.

Located about 230 miles southwest of Midland, the event can be experienced as a hip alternative to the usual Valentine's Day date. Planners expect to surpass the more than the 400 guests who attended last year. According to organizer Mercer Black Declercq and ticket orders, they could likely triple the town's population Friday.

WANT TO GO?

The event runs 4 to 10 p.m. Friday. Cost is $15 advance, $25 door. For more information about location and shuttles, visit bigbendbrewing.com.

"It speaks to a love of West Texas," Declercq said. "We have ticket sales from all over the state — Lubbock, Houston, Dallas, plus so many from the tri-county area. This is going to be one heck of a party."

With all of BBBC's brews available on tap, they will unveil El Corazon, made exclusively for the festival. Crafted with a naturally pink prickly pear puree, the brew will be available in bottles, a rarity for the brewery.

"Most craft beers are coming in cans now because it's easier to recycle and any kind of light can affect a beer. But to highlight the

Please see VALENTINE/Page 4

Valentine's Day: Permian Basin date night roundup

By Rich Lopez
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Most Valentine's Day dates will include flowers, chocolates, cards and maybe champagne. But why leave it at that? Bonus points will be earned by making Feb. 14 far more special by visiting any one of these local date night options.

The celebration can last all weekend with additional heartfelt outings. And for those sans date or anti-Valentiners, don't fret. There's nothing to say good times can't be had by all.

SWEET ART

■ The **Ellen Noel Art Museum** hosts its inaugural HeART Affair on Friday. Amid a backdrop of high art, Eddie Austin and 20 After Four will perform. Attendees can partake in food and drink, wine glass painting, Mad Lib love letters and the on-site photo booth. For 21 and up, make reservations now because of limited space. Tickets are $30 each, $50 for two.

The details: 7 p.m. 4909 University Blvd., Odessa. noelartmuseum.org.

■ The **Museum of the Southwest** keeps it simple, but consider an artistic date night with the current exhibition "Barnaby Fitzgerald's Moments, Still Lives and Figures" as part of its Contemporary Artist Series 2014: Texas NEWS (North, East, West, South) in the Here and Now Gallery or its newest, very vibrant exhibit "Estamos Aqui (We Are Here)" with works by 40 artists of contemporary serigraphs. Both are dynamic displays and the perfect quiet setting for a handheld walk through the museum. But consider going Saturday for more time to do so.

The details: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 1705 W Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

PLAY DATE

Valentine's Day is perfect timing for fans of American Girl. **Barnes and Noble's** hourlong recurring event is open to all, and children can partake in arts and crafts. Hopefully the store will provide enough red and pink construction paper. Free.

The details: 4 p.m. Friday 2617 W. Loop 250 N. 432-682-8880. barnesandnoble.com.

EX-RATED

Rockin Rodeo flips the tables on Valentine's Day with its Shred Your Ex Singles Party. All the club asks is for people to bring in a picture of an ex to shred in lieu of cover until 11 p.m. The bar will feature 50-cent bar drinks and longnecks until 10 p.m. and $4 X-rated drinks all night so if that ex is still burning, some liquor can ease the pain or maybe offer enough courage to ask that other single across the club for a two-step around the floor.

The details: 4400 N. Big Spring St. rockinrodeomidland.com.

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Stephen Bishop brings classic love songs to the Wagner Noel

By Rich Lopez
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Gone are the days of radio requests where callers could make their love song dedication and wait with anticipation for it to play. Some of those requests in the late '70s and early '80s were likely for Stephen Bishop songs. Famed for his light pop ballads like "On and On" and "It Might Be You" from the film "Tootsie," Bishop was a staple in adult contemporary. Just don't count him out. The veteran musician and songwriter is back in full stride.

He surprised many with a new release in January, "Be Here When" is a grittier Bishop with a more defiant attitude. He still sings the love songs, but he jams, as well. He talked about the new album and going on the road before his Friday show with Christopher Cross at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center.

MRT: Congrats on the new record. Some of the sound of it came off quite unexpectedly.

Bishop: There's this impression that I'm stuck with a certain type of song and that's all I do. I really do like to venture

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CALENDAR

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING

MUSIC

Watoto Children's Choir, 6:30 p.m. today at True-Lite Christian Fellowship Church. watoto.com.

Justin Langston, 8 p.m. Friday at Saltgrass.

Christopher Cross and Stephen Bishop, 8 p.m. Friday at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. www.wagnernoel.com.

Gary P. Nunn, Doug Moreland, La Tampiquena, Friday at the Old Mercantile Building in Valentine. bigbendbrewingstore.com.

Ernesto Calderon, 6:30 p.m. Saturday at The Wine Rack.

Sandy Anderson as "Dolly Parton," 8 p.m. Saturday at The Ector Theatre, Odessa. ectortheatre.com.

Permian Basin String Quartet concert "Something Borrowed, Somethin' Blue," 3 p.m. Sunday at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. www.wagnernoel.com.

ART & EXHIBITS

HeART Affair, 7-10 p.m. Friday at Ellen Noel Art Museum. noelartmuseum.org.

DANCE

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

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

Dixie Dolls Drill Team's Junior Dolls Dance Clinic, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday at Abell Junior High School gym. leerebelsdixiedolls.com.

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

THEATER & FILMS

"Mary Poppins," through March 8 at Cole Theatre, Midland Community Theatre. www.mctmidland.org. 570-4111.

"Footloose," through Sunday at Permian Playhouse in Odessa. permianplayhouse.com.

"The African Americans: Many Rivers to Cross" screenings, 6:30 p.m. today at Midland College Scharbauer Student Center Carrasco Room. midland.edu.

Improv at the Yucca, 8 p.m. today at Yucca Theatre. mctmidland.org.

EVENTS

Mike Tyson: Undisputed Truth, Feb. 13 at Far West Event Center in Odessa. 381-9378.

Genealogy workshop with Lloyd Bockstruck in three sessions: "Names," "Deeds and Wills" and "Probate Records," 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday at Midland County Library Centennial branch. 742-7440.

Run2Love2Run Valentine themed race, 2 p.m. Saturday at Big Spring State Park. permianbasinevents.com.

All About Women's Expo, Saturday and Sunday at Midland County Horseshoe. www.midlandhorseshoe.com.

Flower Market Geranium Presale, through March 3 at Ellen Noel Art Museum in Odessa. noelartmuseum.org.

KID-FRIENDLY

Storytime for birth through 2 years old, 9:30 a.m., 2 to 6 years old at 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Midland County Public Library downtown location. www.co.midland.tx.us.

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

American Girl event, 4 p.m. Friday at Barnes & Noble Booksellers. 682-8880.

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

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

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

GAMES

Play bridge at Allison Bridge Center, 682-8595.

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

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

Courtesy photo

Ryan Shupe & The Rubberband will perform at the West Texas Guitar Festival, which runs Feb. 20-22 at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center.

COMING SOON

FEBRUARY

"Gettysburg: One Woman's War," 7 p.m. Feb. 18 at Allison Fine Arts Building, Wagner and Brown Auditorium, Midland College. midland.edu.

Bone Thugs-n-Harmony, Feb. 19 at La Hacienda. lahaciendaeventcenter.com.

Art Social on "Estamos Aqui (We Are Here)," Feb. 20 at Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org.

West Texas Guitar Festival, Feb. 20-22 at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. www.wagnernoel.com.

Trinity School's production of "King & I," Feb. 21-23 at Yucca Theatre. trinitymidland.org.

Continental Antique Shows, Feb. 21-23 at Ector County Coliseum. ectorcountycoliseum.org.

Trappings of Texas: Custom Cowboy Gear and Contemporary Western Art, Feb. 21-22 at Museum of the Big Bend in Alpine. sulross.edu/museum.

Downtown Lions Club pancake breakfast, Feb. 22 at the Midland Downtown Lions Club building.

Storyteller Sue Roseberry performing African American folk stories, 11 a.m. Feb. 22 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Fei Fei Dong with the Big Spring Symphony Orchestra, Feb. 22 at Big Spring Municipal Auditorium. bigspringsymphony.com

Permian Basin Annual Home and Garden Show, Feb. 22-23 at Midland County Horseshoe. www.midlandhorseshoe.com.

ROUNDUP

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ROSES ARE READ

The **Midland County Library Centennial branch** is offering a "Blind Dates" contest through Friday. Check out a paper-wrapped book with fabulous Valentine's decorations and then post a pic of you and the "date" on the library's Facebook page to win a box of Russell Stover chocolates. And face it: Singled or coupled, free chocolates are always worth the effort.

The details: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday. 2503 W. Loop 250 N. 742-7400. facebook.com/MidlandCountyPLTX.

LOVE BITES

Restaurants never fail to get in on the action with menus designed for tables for two. Prepare to share a bite off your plate or make a sweet toast to the one you love at these eateries.

■ The **Garlic Press** is featuring a special Valentine's menu for Friday and Saturday nights, but reservations are required. As of press time, the restaurant said Friday tables have all been reserved. The menu can be seen on the restaurant's Facebook page.

The details: 5:30 p.m. 2200 W. Wadley Ave. Suite 6. 570-4020. thegarlicpress.net.

■ Before getting too far in **Venezia Restaurant's** Valentine's Dinner, the restaurant has said they are booked for the Friday and will not be taking walk-ins. Having said that, those who made their reservations in time at $35 per person will enjoy a set menu and enjoy a decorated restaurant filled with flowers and a live guitarist at the eatery Midlanders voted Most Romantic Restaurant. Venezia's will focus on their evening service so the restaurant will not be open for lunch.

The details: 5 p.m. 2101 W. Wadley Ave. 687-0900. veneziarestaurant.info.

■ Get all romantical in a garden setting at the **Café at the Gardens'** Valentine's three-course dinner. At $110 per couple, Chef Jeff Price will present a salad course, a choice of entree and Bananas Foster dessert made tableside all with a glass of wine per guest. Reservations are recommended but not necessary according to the website.

The details: 5-10 p.m. 3300 N. Fairgrounds Road. 432-687-1478. alldredgegardens.com/cafe.

■ **Basin Burger House** is taking reservations for Friday to enjoy Chef's Valentine's Day Dinner specials such as crab cakes appetizers and entrees including lavender and balsamic marinated quail, red wine braised short rib and more.

The details: 607 N. Colorado St. 432-687-5696. basinburgerhouse.com.

■ Couples (and families) can enjoy a meal deal from **Fuddruckers** that features two burgers, a large basket of fries and a shake to share for $20. Sometimes love can be found in the patty of a burger. The deal runs Friday and Saturday.

The details: 4511 N. Midkiff Road. 432-689-0448. fuddruckers.com

■ Enjoy a champagne toast and cheese selections with reservations at the **Wine Rack** for $60 per couple. Simple and easy and tres romantic.

The details: 6:30 p.m. 4610 N. Garfield St., Suite D4. 570-9463. winerackofmidland.com.

ON THE BOARDS

■ Whether music or theater, there is hardly a lacking for either. **Midland Community Theatre's** "Mary Poppins" continues its run with performances on Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and a pay-what-you-can performance Sunday at 2 p.m.

The details: 2000 W. Wadley Ave. MCTMidland.org

■ Be the funny Valentine a day early by hitting up MCT's new monthly series **Improv at the Yucca**. Just know that all bets are off with the cast. The jokes can easily go into R-rated territory but it's a hip trip downtown for a few laughs.

The details: 8 p.m. 208 N. Colorado St. $12. mctmidland.org.

SONG DEDICATION

■ Throwback to the '80s with Christopher Cross and Stephen Bishop at the **Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center** on Friday. From classic hits like "Sailing" and "On and On," the singers epitomize the soft pop era that proliferated on the radio. They may come off a bit syrupy, but each is legendary in his delivery of romantic music over a vista of keyboards and synthesizers.

The details: 8 p.m. 1310 Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $35-$60. wagnernoel.com.

■ **Lone Star Bar** delivers the music all weekend long for a more raucous Valentine. The weekend starts with Folk Family Revival and The Rusty Brothers on Friday, followed by Texas musician Nick Verzosa and the Noble Union Band on Saturday.

The details: 621 W. Wall St. facebook.com/thelonestarbar.

STAGE & SCREEN

Redford's performance in 'All is Lost' is phenomenal

PICK O' THE WEEK

"All is Lost" (PG-13) The Academy's snub of Robert Redford's gut-wrenching performance is baffling. But don't just watch for him. The breath-taking cinematography and harrowing story make this an exhilarating thrill ride. **A-**

MORE REVIEWS

"About Time" (R) It's the latest romantic comedy from Richard Curtis, who has a real knack for the genre. He's the guy behind "Love Actually" and

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he's delivered something similar — just not quite as memorable. It's your best choice among recent rom-coms. **B**

"Baggage Claim" (R) Getting past the absurd reason why the main character is on a crusade to get married is half the battle. Getting past the predictable story made me raise the white flag. **B-**

"Big Sur" (R) The actors seem almost afraid of performing Jack Kerouac's material, and the result is uneven and pretentious, which is especially disappointing from such a vaunted cast. **B-**

"Cafe de Flore" (unrated) French art film from Jean-Marc Vallée, whose other film last year was "Dallas Buyers Club," soars when it focuses on the mother-son relationship, but the storyline involving the DJ is unwatchable. **C+**

"A Case of You" (R) Unexpected cameos from a parade of stars such as Peter Dinklage and Brendan Fraser help boost this otherwise dull romantic comedy. **C+**

"The Cat" (R) Korean horror film is better than most of the genre garbage put out here in the U.S., but disappointing by Korean standards. **B-**

"Escape Plan" (R) Smart and entertaining prison movie is wholly enthralling until it turns into a ho-hum action film in the third act. Still worth the ride, but it didn't need all the fight scenes just because it stars Sylvester Stallone and Arnold Schwarzenegger. **B**

"Ender's Game" (PG-13) Turning the future of the world over to a group of kids good at sim games is an interesting premise. The acting and special effects deliver. **B**

"Free Birds" (PG) This fowl story isn't nearly as good as 2000's "Chicken Run," but it's better than a lot of the other animated films released last year, including "Planes" and "The Croods." **B-**

"Haunting of the Innocent" (unrated) Limp, confusing horror fare tries and fails to raise any scares in its use of supernatural themes and ravens. **D**

"Richard the Lionheart" (R) Malcolm McDowell's best work in the past couple of years continues to be his Verizon commercials with James Earl Jones. This period piece plays like an old, bad episode of a cable TV series. **D**

"Scorned" (R) Intriguing revenge film has a great trailer, and it's always a plus when the eccentricities of Billy Zane are used in a film. He can ususally liven up even the most tedious film. There's a real disconnect in this movie, though, and its inability to engage is a letdown. **C**

MCT's 'Mary Poppins' includes magical moments, strange choices

GRAHAM DIXON
MRT correspondent

"Mary Poppins" flew into Midland Community Theatre last weekend and will be appearing until March 8. The familiar story of an English nanny with mysteriously magical powers who arrives at the Banks family home to take care of apparently irascible children is as beloved as it is eccentric. The MCT production is a mixed bag, ranging from some fine performances and excellent aerial staging to bizarrely variable accents and very slow pacing.

Kristen Loyd is spot-on in the title role. She has a fine singing voice and captures the playful yet slightly ominous personality of a woman who possesses deity-like powers and flits in and out of people's lives with a casual randomness. She is a woman who, as she states at one perfectly timed moment, explains nothing — because she has no need to. She simply is. Loyd is best in her scenes where she displays great magical power, such as her apparent complete destruction of the loathsome Miss Andrew. She is also courageous as she flies across the stage at quite a height.

Mark Kaufman's interpretation of Bert is strange, mainly because Kaufman is one of best actors in Midland. But here he is all at sea as if he has been asked to perform in a stylized, near-commedia fashion that is totally out of place. With the right play and direction, Kaufman is brilliant. Here he seems lost.

One of the best performances comes from Matthew Nicholson, as the long-suffering Mr. Banks. He has the responsibilities of the world on his shoulders and feels them acutely. Those scenes where he sits at his desk, apparently defeated yet still with a glimmer of hope, provide an excellent contrast to the movement around him. In "A Man has Dreams" he captures his character's struggles excellently.

His wife, Nikki Windham, is similarly adept. A foreshadowing of women who will want more than to be simply a wife, she eventually settles into precisely that role by the end of the play — yet we feel she and George will be more equal partners in the future. Her reaction to the magical nanny's ability to instantly clean of the kitchen is priceless.

On the evening I saw the show, Sean Nail and Rebecca Hoffman moved from terrible children to true Mary Poppins-believers excellently. Their happiness mixed with melancholy at never knowing when she would disappear from their lives again.

An unusual aspect of this show was the decidedly dark nature of scenes such as "Playing the Game" in which the toys come to life. I saw some of the small children in the audience become a little alarmed here, although in that good, excited way that occurs in fairy tale readings. A similar moment occurred when Marry Poppins dispatches her evil nemesis in a puff of smoke.

At nearly three hours, this "Mary Poppins" is too long. Some of the song-and-dance numbers, such as "Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious" and "Step In Time," start brilliantly but end up unnaturally extended. They take away from the simple, brief beauties of scenes like "Let's Go Fly a Kite." As Picasso once said, art is knowing when to put the brush down.

Speaking of which, the show ends with the cast taking its curtain call, then lining up and starting to sing again. For 600 years theatrical presentations have ended with a bow and the actors breaking out of character — from medieval European roving players through Shakespeare and on to Broadway and the West End it has served well.

For good reason.

The make-believe has finished and the actors are their real selves again. The trend for actors to have an uncalled-for encore leaves the audience sitting, or standing, rather awkwardly, not knowing what to do.

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I, Frankenstein (PG-13) The big guy is still with us in this uneven, updated horror legend, but as played by Aaron Eckhardt, he's got a bigger vocabulary. And now he has to worry about demons and gargoyles instead of villagers with pitchforks. 1:33. 2 stars. Contains intense violence.

Ride Along (PG-13) Kevin Hart and Ice Cube star in this facile action comedy about a tough Atlanta police detective and his chippy civilian partner-for-a-day. 1:40. 1 1/2 stars. Contains violence, adult themes, profanity.

Jack Ryan: Shadow Recruit (PG-13) Chris Pine stars in this increasingly flimsy re-reboot of the Tom Clancy espionage franchise. The new Jack is a financial analyst for the CIA who gets thrown into operational hot water when he heads for Moscow and meets a madman bent on bringing America to its knees. 1:45. 2 1/2 stars. Contains violence, adult themes.

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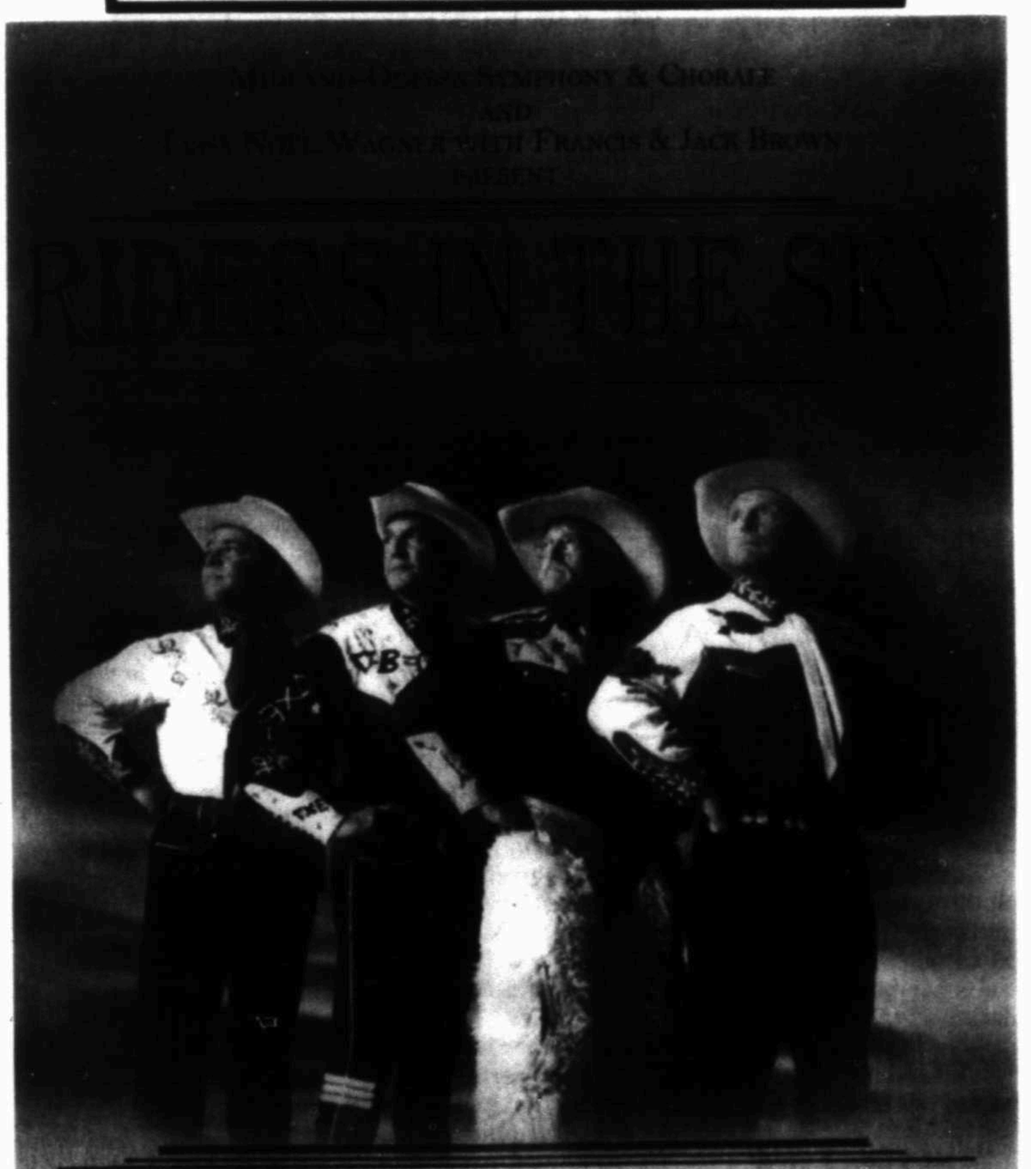

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VALENTINE

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color and the label, this will be in a bottle," Declercq said.

They commissioned Valentine resident and artist Boyd Elder to create the bottle's label. This is actually a big deal. Elder is noted for his album cover art for artists like indie band Yacht, but famously so for his cover of "The Eagles Greatest Hits."

In their first time around, Declercq was a bit overwhelmed putting the event together. The building was a relic in every way. After having to power the lights and music with generators, the building, which had been abandoned for 70 years, was refurbished by Marfan Matt Kruger who has installed electrical and sound systems and a working stage to host the triple bill for Friday.

"You can't beat the lineup because you have country all the way to this Tejano funk," Declercq said.

Said funk comes in the form of Austin band La Tampiqueña, which fuses Tex-Mex sounds with country. The music goes into traditional Texas swing with Fort Davis' Doug Moreland followed by headliner and Lone Star legend and ambassador of Texas Music, Gary P. Nunn.

So how does the sparse town feel about being taken over for a night?

"You know, they actually loved it," she said.

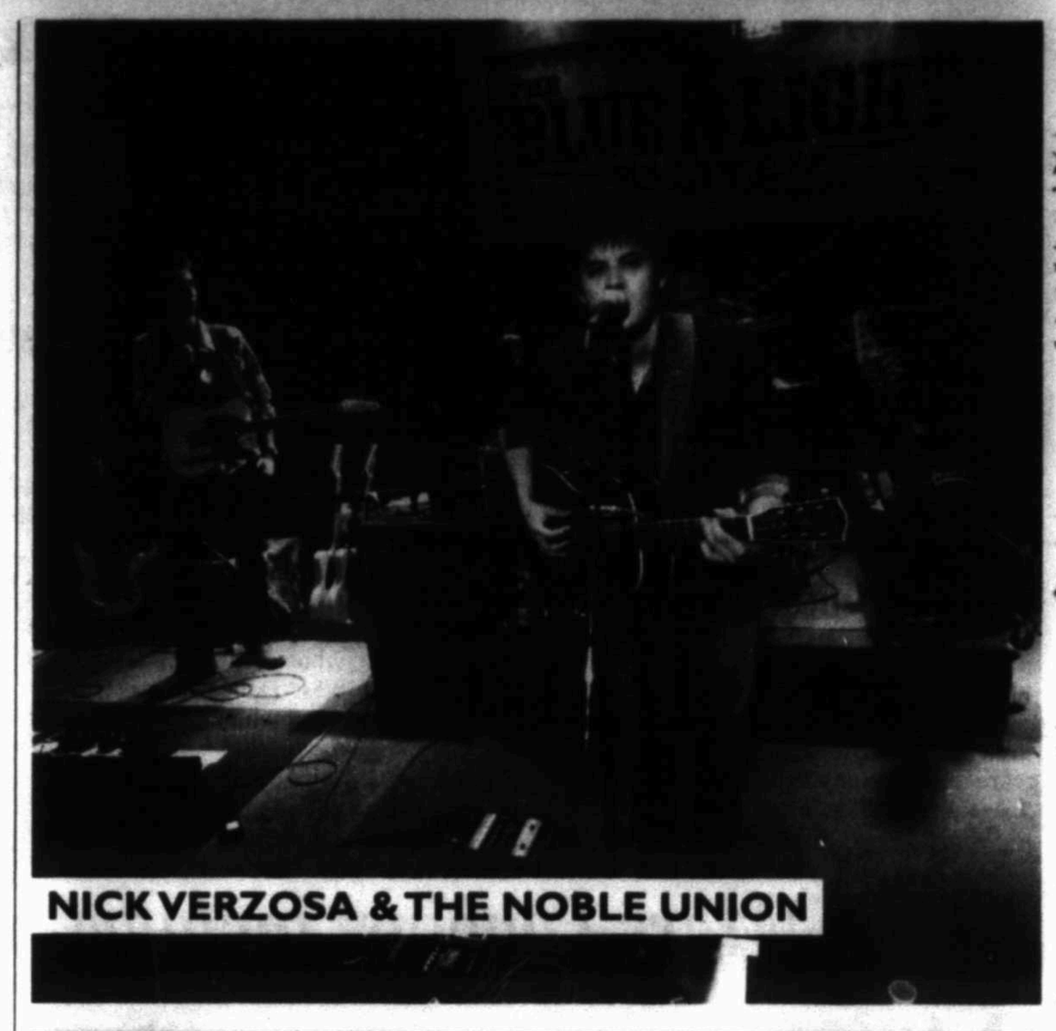
On top of one exciting night, the event is also held to raise money for education and youth endeavors for Valentine. Last year, the show raised $2,400 and the goal is to double that this year.

The night isn't limited to beer and music. The family-friendly event welcomes food trucks Fat Lyle's and Rib Krib, non-alcoholic beverage and merch tables. Be forewarned: Cash is the best bet for all transactions because credit card swipers and web signals can be unpredictable. A photo booth by Marfalite Studios' Lesley Brown will be present to capture the special date.

For those a little taken aback by the drive, the brewery will even provide shuttles to meet people halfway. Texas Mountain Realty sponsored rides to and from the event from various spots.

"In the interest of everyone's safety, we have free shuttles running from Alpine, Marfa and Fort Davis that night," Declercq said.

Meaning there's really just no excuse not to go.



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into all sorts of different things. I'm not gonna slaughter people with my death metal, but I was definitely inspired by Steely Dan and the Beatles for this album.

MRT: What's been the feedback on "Be Here When?"

Bishop: Personally, I'm really excited about it, and people seem to really like it. It's just now about getting the word out that I have an album out.

MRT: There's a grit in your voice that seems to be new, but also works well against the more rock elements of the album. Was that always there?

Bishop: I just try to take care of my voice. I don't drink, and I take several steams, which is best for it. I don't know though if I've ever been surprised by my voice. That's a funny question.

MRT: How did you and Christopher Cross hook up for your show together in Midland?

Bishop: I've known him for a long time, and we've done shows together for years. Our agents thought it would be a good pairing. I've been fortunate to work with a lot of great people. I wrote "Separate Lives," which Phil Collins, recorded with Marilyn Martin, and I collaborated with Eric Clapton on "Holy Mother," which is one of my all-time proudest moments because my stepdad made me feel like rock 'n' roll sucked, but he was a big opera fan. Then I write this with Eric Clapton and he recorded it with Luciano Pavoratti. Life is full of these weird serendipities.

Oh, you know what? Forever, when people would ask me how I am, I've always said fair to midland.

MRT: Oh, well, now you really will be.

Stephen Bishop will perform with Christopher Cross at 8 p.m. Friday at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 Farm-to-Market 1788. Tickets are $35-$60. for more information, visit wagnernoel.com

LIVE WIRE

13 **Cory Morrow** @ Rockin Rodeo

14 **Kenneth Knotts, Andean Fusion** @ Music City Mall

14 **Tori Martin** @ Redneck's

14 **Christopher Cross, Stephen Bishop** @ Wagner Noel

14 **Folk Family Revival** @ Lone Star Bar

14 **Eddie Austin & 20 After Four** @ Ellen Noel Art Museum

14 **Pesado** @ Far West Event Center

14 **Unsweet T's** @ Detour

14 **Justin Langston** @ Saltgrass

14-15 **Noel Olivas** @ The Bar

15 **All Stars, Tech Jazz, Andean Fusion, Mary Mitchell, Marisa Rechman** @ Music City Mall

15 **Southern Sky** @ Redneck's

15 **Sally Anderson as Dolly Parton** @ Ector Theatre

15 **The Blind Pets, Guatch, Snakefist, Minus the Richards** @ Blue Max

15 **Nick Verzosa & the Noble Union** @ Lone Star Bar

16 **Permian Basin String Quartet "Something Borrowed, Somethin' Blue" Chamber Concert** @ Wagner Noel

16 **Goodtimers, Arison Strings, Andean Fusion, Mary Mitchell** @ Music City Mall

18 **Next 2 the Tracks** @ Riley's

19 **St. Christopher Webster, The Gold Hope Duo** @ Blue Max

19 **Bones Thugs-N-Harmony** @ La Hacienda

TOP 10 VALENTINE'S DAY LOVE SONGS

By Tyler White
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Love is in the air Friday as many people share their affection for dates, significant others and crushes. Take a chance to play these songs to set the mood during your holiday plans.

"UNCHAINED MELODY" The Righteous Brothers

This song will forever be synonymous with sexy pottery classes (Thanks, "Ghost"). But the song stands on its own as a classic example of the effective romantic ballad. "Oh, my love, my darling / I've hungered or your touch / A long, lonely time." It's got one of the greatest introductions of any song out there.

"THE WAY YOU LOOK TONIGHT" Frank Sinatra

Sinatra keeps it classy on this tune with a simple message. This song should be accompanied by an elaborate dance performed during a big bang performance. Take a lesson from Sinatra and don't be afraid to pull out all the stops.

"ENDLESS LOVE" Diana Ross & Lionel Richie

Come on, you know this song is making the list. Richie and Ross' duet remains a timeless dialogue of two lovers declaring their eternal love for each other. It wouldn't be a bad idea to roll down the car windows and sing this one at the top of your lungs. You'll love it.

"LET'S GET IT ON" Marvin Gaye

No doubt many couples will end their nights dancing in the sheets, and no other song stands as the anthem for doing the horizontal mambo. Gaye's got the goods, as he takes his sexual frustrations, desires and fantasies and propagates this soulful and sensual song.

"BY YOUR SIDE" Sade

There's no way you can't listen to this song and not smile. Sade Adu's sultry voice and the song's mid-tempo pacing packs depth to each word. "You think I'd leave your side, baby / You know me better than that / You think I'd leave you down when you're down on your knees / I wouldn't do that." This is a popular wedding song for a reason, and should be shared with the one you love.

"ADORN" Miguel

The newest R&B crooner sings about covering his gal with longing gazes and sensual kisses in this bumping soul track. Miguel slathers his smooth falsetto at the song's peaks before pleading for a woman's affection. "These lips can't wait to taste your skin, baby, no, no / And these eyes, yeah, can't wait to see your grin, ooh ooh baby / Just let my love, Just let my love adorn you." It's a great song for setting a light-hearted, but romantic mood.

"THE FIRST TIME EVER I SAW YOUR FACE" Roberta Flack

Flack's powerful vocal range and vibrato make each word significant as she details her first encounter with her future beloved. "And the first time ever I kissed your mouth / I felt the earth move in my hand." This is a beautiful track to play while you hold your date for a slow dance.

"JUST THE WAY YOU ARE" Billy Joel

The Piano Man knows a lot about love, and even more about the right words to say to a woman. "Don't go trying some new fashion / Don't change the color of your hair / You always have my unspoken passion / Although I might not seem to care." Get off your feet and make that significant other feel special.

"YOU'RE STILL THE ONE" Shania Twain

One of the leading women of country music brought us her best song in the late 1990s on her smash album, "Come On Over." Twain sings with restraint, "They said, 'I bet they'll never make it' / But just look at us holding on / We're still together, still going strong," before the memorable chorus ups the song's ambiance. Couples who have been together for a long time will probably empathize with the song's message more than new couples.

"SONGBIRD" Fleetwood Mac

"Rumours" offered one of the greatest collections of songs in one album when it released in 1977. Band member Christine McVie's vocals expose vulnerability that makes this a poignant love song. It's simplicity in lyrics such as "Cause I feel that when I'm with you / It's alright, I know it's right," make this a raw, emotional song to share with your date.

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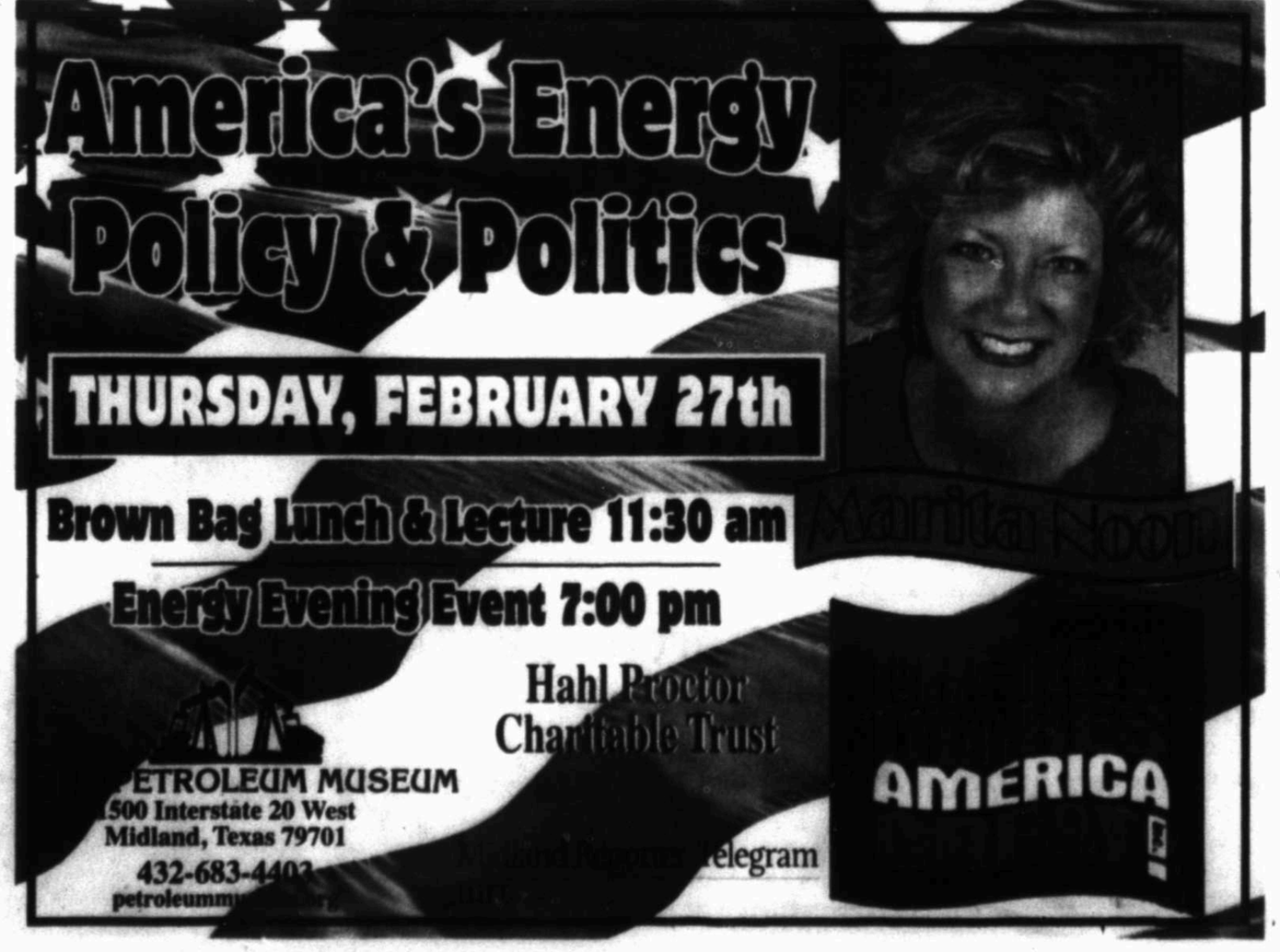

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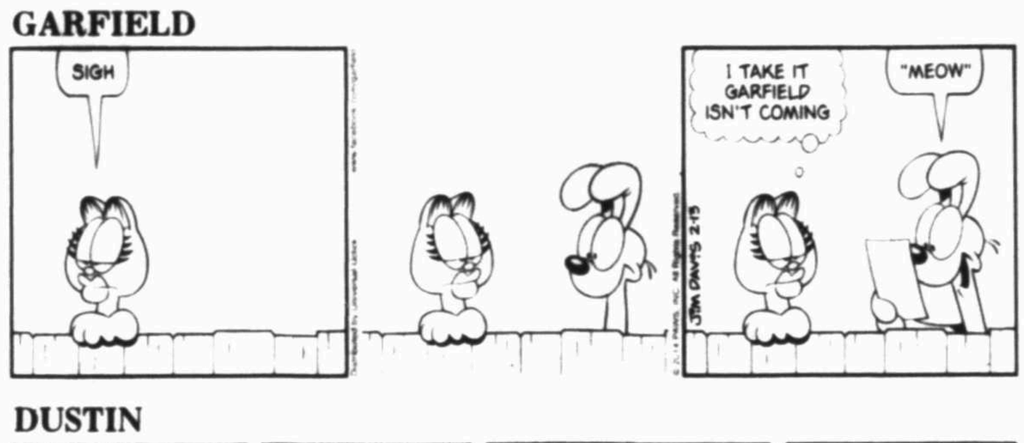

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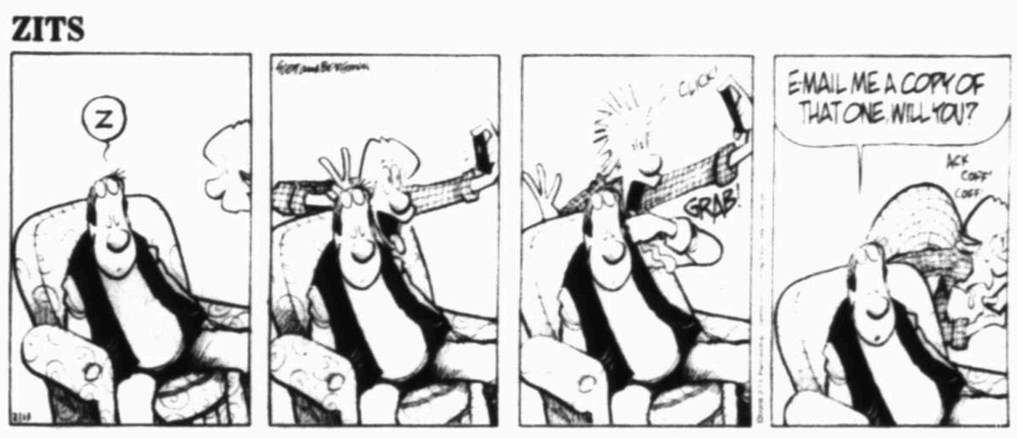

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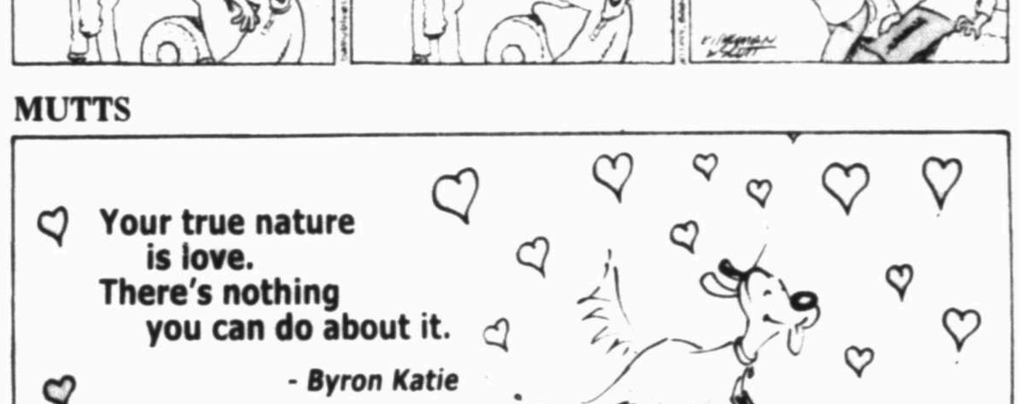

CLOSE TO HOME

As the other boarders stared in awe, Todd blew by them on his new cranio-board.

DENNIS THE MENACE

"THEY LOOK SO PEACEFUL WHEN THEY THINK WE'RE SLEEPIN'."

LOCKHORNS

FAMILY CIRCUS

"They're practicin' in case snowball throwing gets to be an Olympic sport."

DINING

WEEKENDER PUBLISHES A PORTION OF THE RESTAURANT GUIDE EACH WEEK. ENTREE PRICE RANGE IS BASED ON THE AVERAGE ENTREE PRICE ON THE MENU: $ = $1-10, $$ = $10-20 AND $$$ = $20 OR MORE. RESTAURANTS ARE GIVEN A GENERAL RATING BASED ON QUALITY OF FOOD, SERVICE, CLEANLINESS, ATMOSPHERE AND OVERALL EXPERIENCE. 1 SPOON = POOR, 2 SPOONS = AVERAGE, 3 SPOONS = ABOVE AVERAGE, 4 SPOONS = GOOD AND 5 SPOONS = EXCELLENT.

WHERE TO GRAB DESSERT

Looking to grab a sweet treat with your Valentine? Here are a few of our favorite spots to order dessert.

BASIN BURGER HOUSE It's hard to go wrong with the Nutella & banana milkshake. Check with the restaurant for Valentine's Day specials. 607 N. Colorado St. 687-5696 www.basinburgerhouse.com | $$ | 4 spoons

BROOKS BAR B-Q Coconut cream or chocolate pie? Whichever you decide, order it with your meal — the kitchen tends to run out during the lunch rush. 501 E. Texas Ave. 685-5079 | $ | 4 spoons

BURGERS FRIES AND CHERRY PIES It's all in the name. More than 20 combinations of burgers and toppings from the standard bacon or chili to the unexpected — ever try pimento cheese on a burger? Fries get the gourmet treatment too. 5210 W. Wadley Ave. 617-2327 | $ | 2 spoons

CAFÉ AT THE GARDENS Guests who take advantage of the Valentine's Day special menu will be treated to bananas foster table-side. 3300 Fairgrounds Road. 687-1478 www.alldredgegardens.com | $ | 4 spoons

GARLIC PRESS Fine dining with menu items including hand-cut steaks, seafood and pasta. Or try something from the small plates menu. Dessert menu changes weekly. 2200 W. Wadley Ave. # 6 Oak Ridge Square | 570-4020 | thegarlicpress.net | $$$ | 4 spoons

GRAHAM PHARMACY Refreshingly simple menu makes this a hot spot for lunch and also a perfect place to share a milkshake or sample some freshly-made fudge. 1601 W. Wall St. 684-5756 www.grahampharmacy.com | $ | 3 spoons

HARVEST CAFFE Enjoy a lemon bar or brownie with some coffee or hot tea. The fireplace, couches and unique chandeliers makes you want to stay awhile. 2101 West Wadley Ave., Suite 8 218-8331 www.harvestcaffe.com | $ | 4 spoons

JOJO'S EATERY Possibly the best desserts in town. Buy pies and cakes by the slice or take one home. Oh yeah, and the sandwiches, salads and burgers aren't bad either. Downtown inside the Petroleum Building. 214 W. Texas Ave. 682-3134 | $ | 3 spoons

K-D'S BAR B-Q The peach cobbler is worth a trip to KD's. Pick your meat from the grill then add sides like potato salad and beans. Try the sausage. Or the brisket. Or the chicken. It's all good. 3113 Garden City Highway 683-4013 | $ | 5 spoons

LORI'S CAFÉ Call ahead to take home a whole pie or try the treat of the day. Homestyle, diner cooking with a few surprises like wild boar sausage served with two eggs and toast. Breakfast items, lunch menu. Lori's uses locally-sourced food when available. 2201 W. Wall St. 570-1701 www.loriscafe.net | $ | 3 spoons

LUIGI'S ITALIAN RESTAURANT Share a slice of cheesecake by candlelight at tables covered in red and white checkered table clothes in the heart of downtown Midland. Go for the pizza snack and the antipasta salad. 111 N. Big Spring St. 683-6363 | $ | 5 spoons

MARTINEZ BAKERY Walls lined with self-serve bakery cases filled with cookies. Also serves "super tortas" (Mexican sandwiches) with chicken, brisket or ham. 206 E. Florida Ave. 683-3100; 683-2278 | $ | 4 spoons

SAM'S BAR-B-QUE It's hard to beat a good peach cobbler. You can smell the smoke before you get into the parking lot at this longtime Midland establishment. 1113 E. Scharbauer Drive | 570-1082 | 3 spoons

SWENSEN'S It's never really too cold for ice cream, but this weekend temperatures are supposed to be in the 80s! One menu for sandwiches, burgers, patty melts and salads and an entirely separate full menu for ice cream. Friendly service and a clean atmosphere. 900 W. Loop 250 N. 570-7271 www.swensons.com | $ | 4 spoons

TONY'S BAKERY Order petit fours or a cake for your next party or stop to browse the bakery items for a quick snack. Also try the sandwiches for breakfast or lunch. 1108 N. Big Spring St. 570-4166 | $ | 4 spoons

VENEZIA RESTAURANT Fine dining in a beautiful atmosphere. Sit on the patio if there's room and enjoy a glass of wine, veal piccata and something from the impressive dessert table. 2101 W. Wadley Ave. #20 www.veneziarestaurant.info | $$$ | 4 spoons

WALL STREET BAR & GRILL The Gold Brick dessert is a must. Arguably the best steak and seafood in Midland. If you're in the mood for something else, try the chicken fried steak or the Dijon chicken. 115 East Wall St. 684-868 | $$ | 5 spoons

WHERE TO GRAB A SANDWICH FOR LUNCH

FIREHOUSE SUBS National chain with tribute to local firefighters. Try the meatball sub or the Italian. Order it "fully involved" if you want all the veggies, mayonnaise, mustard and a pickle slice. 2900 W. Loop 250 N. 689-6500 www.firehousesubs.com | $ | 4 spoons

JASON'S DELI National chain has a salad bar that's hard to beat and a nice selection of sandwiches and soups. Plenty of vegetarian, organic and gluten-free options. 4610 N. Garfield St., Suite D 1-B 682-2200 www.jasonsdeli.com | $ | 4 spoons

LIVING 360 ORGANICS All organic, non-GMO menu includes juices, smoothies and acai bowls. Soups change daily. Sandwiches, wraps and a la carte items are available. Try the cold quinoa salad and a cup of soup. 3211 W. Wadley Ave. Suite 21 | 262-3411 | living360organics.com | $ | 4 spoons

McALISTER'S DELI Hot and cold sandwiches, salads and soups. Combo options let you customize your meal and watch your calorie count. Two Midland locations. 2306 Rankin Highway, Suite 100. 687-0880 | 4415 W. Wadley Ave. 694-1800 www.mcalistersdeli.com | $ | 4 spoons

MURRAY'S You're sure to spot someone you know at this Midland lunch hotspot. Try the cheese soup or the turkado with curly fries. 3211 W. Wadley Ave. 697-3433 | $ | 5 spoons

SMILING MOOSE DELI Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, this deli serves breakfast burritos, wraps, soups, sandwiches and salads. The namesake sandwich starts with ground beef on a hoagie bun. 3322 North Loop 250 West 697-3354 www.smilingmoosedeli.com | $ | 4 spoons

SWENSEN'S One menu for sandwiches, burgers, patty melts and salads and an entirely separate full menu for ice cream. Friendly service and a clean atmosphere. 900 W. Loop 250 N. 570-7271 www.swensons.com | $ | 4 spoons

TASTE@508 Stop by the chic downtown cafe for breakfast, lunch or a coffee break. We recommend the chocolate croissant, Cubano Westie panini and beet and goat cheese salad. 508 W. Wall St. | 687-1755 | taste508.com | $ | 4 spoons

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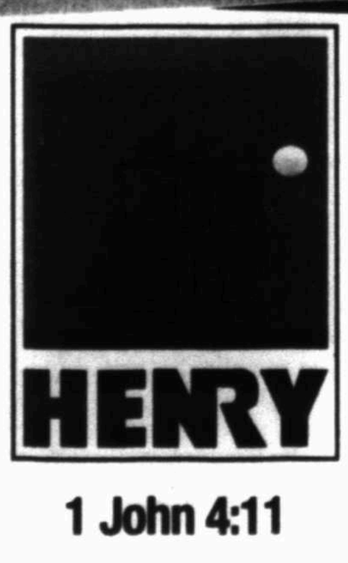

1 John 4:11

Dear friends,
since God so loved us,
we also ought to love one another.

Mike Tyson's show displays a reformed champ

By Rich Lopez
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Mike Tyson: Undisputed Truth
When: 8 p.m. today
Where: Farwest Event Center, 5850 W. University Blvd., Odessa
Tickets: $50-$75, go to showtimeconcerts.com.

In all the time the general public has known Mike Tyson, he said he didn't know himself. Despite a lauded boxing career defending his world championship nine times, the person in the ring those years ago was not the man Tyson wanted to be. That was the person he had to be.

Tyson

"When I was a fighter, that's who I had to be, the quintessential baddest man on the planet," he said. "But I don't have to be that anymore. People who come into my presence will find me very gregarious because that's the person I am now."

Tyson brings his one-man show "Undisputed Truth" to Farwest Event Center in Odessa on Feb. 13. The show is a reflection of his book by the same name that also will illustrate the new and improved Tyson. The boxer is now a performer and he's surprised to find himself in this capacity as an actor, an author and a reformed man. He never talked about his 180-degree turning point, or he's saving for the show. Tyson speaks less about his own greatness and more about his humility.

"Not in a million years would I have ever thought I'd be on Broadway or doing any of this stuff," he said. "Ten years ago, I was in a different space. I didn't have the humility to do this but I've learned that now and am so grateful for what life has turned out to be."

Like the sport though, he said he committed to his new life 100 percent. He gave up drinking and the drugs and of course, boxing, but he also knows it's still new and all that happened in the past is just that — in the past. That shedding of burden led to becoming the person he said he wanted to be in life.

"This version of who I am is a reward. I can't look outside for happiness anymore. I succeeded at a high level but I was looking outside of myself for that gratification," he said. "Now I know to look within."

But has that tiger instinct from boxing waned? Tyson clearly has a new perspective and is admittedly kinder and gentler in his approach to new ventures ("Did you see me skip with that Doogie Howser guy on the Tony's?"). It might appear the fighter has been tamed.

Not so. He's just refocused his energies.

"I'm very objective of who I am now. I'm just recently able to accept who I am," he said. "But I have the same commitment to things. Working with Spike Lee (on the TV special of his show) put me on the top of my game. He pushed me to my limit and I knew I had to prepare well. He's tough to work with but he did a great thing."

So much so that the special was nominated for an NAACP award. In Tyson's mind, he saw this as redemption. In times past, he admitted to feeling unwelcomed by the black community.

"I was ashamed of my conduct and I think the black community was ashamed of me and my former life, but this memoir was also my apology and I feel like the

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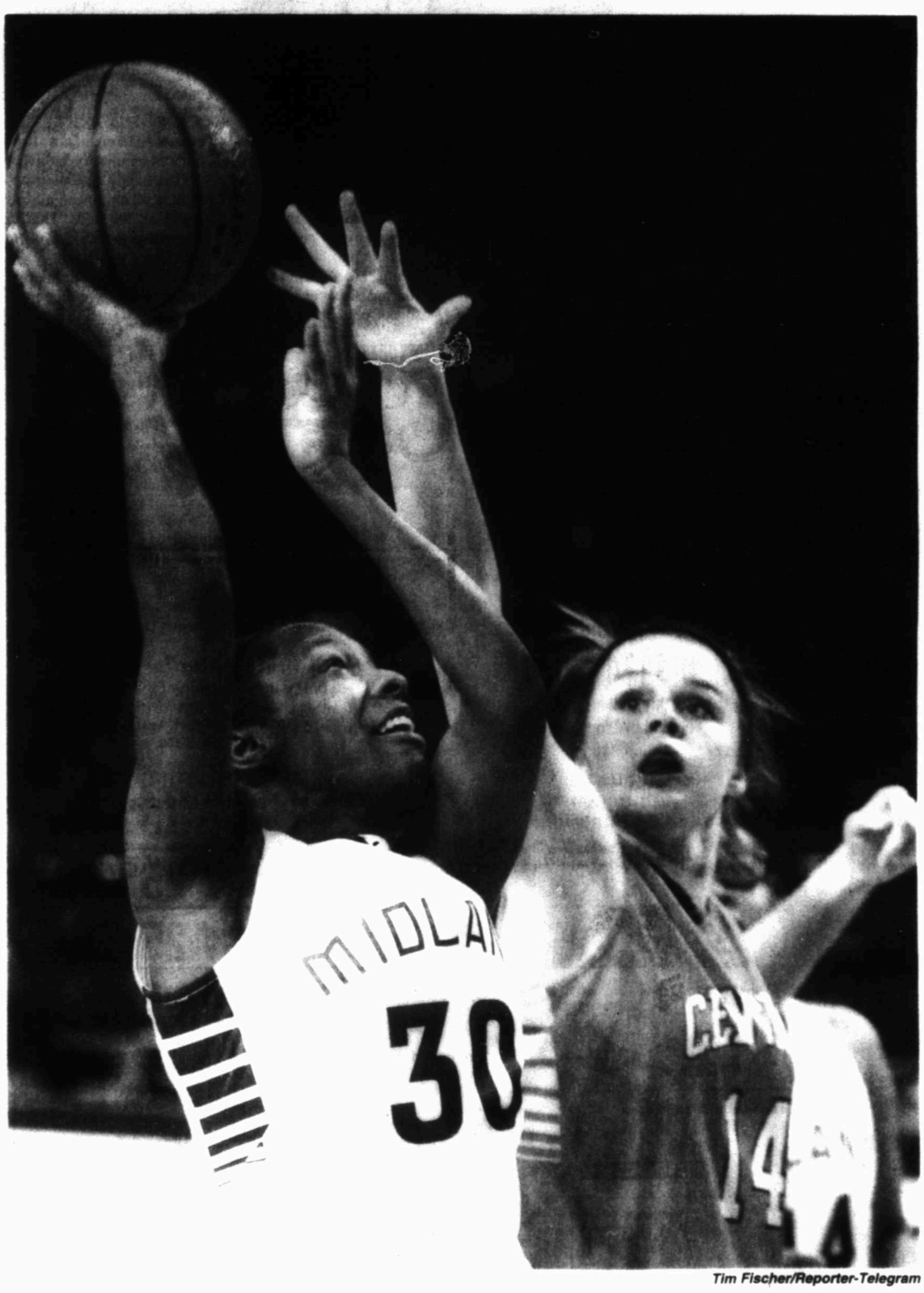
Facing responsibilities


Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Desare' Allen puts up a shot over San Angelo Central's Cali Barger on Jan. 2 at the Chaparral Center

Allen's leadership key for MHS in playoff season

By Jonathan Hull
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The game
CLASS 5A AREA PLAYOFF
MIDLAND HIGH VS. NO. 7 SOUTHLAKE CARROLL
When: 6:30 p.m. today
Where: Kimbrell Arena, Abilene

Most seniors on any team feel a natural responsibility to step up and be a leader for younger players. That responsibility is only multiplied when you're the only senior on the team.

Desare' Allen is in her third season playing for the Midland High girls basketball team, and she's spent this season accepting a leadership role she's come by naturally as the lone senior representing the Lady Bulldogs.

"I came into this season not knowing what to expect because we are really young and we had like six new players," Allen said. "But all I knew is that we had to work really hard and push each other in practice to get better. This season has been rocky for us. We had some adversity at the beginning but now we're getting through it."

Allen and the Lady Bulldogs will look to continue their playoff run at 6:30 p.m. today in a Class 5A area round against Southlake Carroll at McMurry University's Kimbrell Arena in Abilene.

There was a point in this season when the Lady Dawgs found themselves reeling and had their chances of making the playoffs put in question. Midland High coach Wes Torres said it was Allen who pulled the team together and helped guide it back on track.

For Torres, that turning point came on Jan. 8 — a day after the Lady Dawgs had just lost to crosstown rival for Lee for the second time in 10 days — when Allen called the team together for a post-practice meeting.

"I don't know what went on or what was said in that conversation," Torres said. "But I now from that point forward we were a different team."

While the Lady Bulldogs struggled for the next couple weeks while dealing with some injuries, they quickly began to figure out their identity as a team. And they also learned Allen was a leader they could count on.

"She assumed that responsibility (as leader) herself," Torres said. "She's turned into a vocal, positive leader who has helped the girls really come along."

And it doesn't hurt that she's contributing heavily on the floor as one of the Lady Dawgs' top scorers, defenders and rebounders.

"She's such a versatile player," Torres said. "She can play inside and out. When we need her to score inside, we can pound the ball inside to her. Then she can step out and knock down a shot. She's a valuable weapon."

Allen doesn't feel like she has to take on the leadership role alone, though. She

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MHS boys, Greenwood girls set up playoff games

From staff reports

The Midland High boys basketball team will take on El Paso Coronado next Tuesday in its first playoff game in more than two years.

The Bulldogs, who finished fourth in District 2-5A and ended the season on a six-game winning streak, will face the Thunderbirds at 6 p.m. Tuesday at Sul Ross State University's Gallego Center in a Class 5A bi-district playoff game.

Midland High finished its season with a 71-67 win against rival Lee on Tuesday is 14-12 overall and was 10-6 in District 2-5A play this season.

El Paso Coronado won District 1-5A with a 13-1 record and are 22-4 overall this season.

The Greenwood girls basketball team has also set its Class 3A area round playoff game. The Rangerettes will take on Dalhart at 6:30 p.m. Friday at the Rip Griffin Center in Lubbock.

Greenwood advanced to the area round by defeating Fort Stockton, 65-32, at the Odessa College Sports Center. Dalhart defeated Seminole, 56-48, on Tuesday night and is 25-4 this season and ranked No. 21 in the TABC's Class 3A poll.

The Greenwood boys team has also set up their Class 3A boys bi-district playoff game. The Rangers, who finished fourth in District 4-3A, will take on District 3-3A champion Fabens at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Fort Stockton High School.

Lady Chaps look forward to key weekend tournament

By Oscar LeRoy
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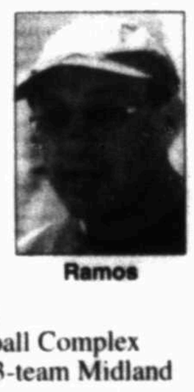
Ramos

With games and on-field practice time lost because of the weather, this weekend will be big for the Midland College softball team.

The Lady Chaparrals will be playing seven games over the next three days as they host Trinidad State (Colo.) Junior College in a doubleheader at 1 p.m. today at their on-campus softball field. Then on Friday and Saturday, the Lady Chaps switch fields to the Freddie Ezell Softball Complex across town to host the 13-team Midland College Spring Classic.

This will be the first live action Midland College has seen in 10 days as last weekend's Cowtown Tournament in Fort Worth was postponed because of the weather and head coach Tommy Ramos couldn't schedule games in between the time off.

With those games lost, the Lady Chaps have been practicing mainly indoors at one of the gyms in the Physical

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DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

WHAT'S ON TV

GOLF

European PGA Tour, Africa Open, first round, 8 a.m., TGC

PGA Tour, Northern Trust Open, first round, 4 p.m., TGC

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Louisville at Temple, 6 p.m., ESPN

Arkansas at Missouri, 6 p.m., ESPN2

UNC Asheville at Radford, 6 p.m., ESPNU

Drexel at Charleston, 6 p.m., NBCSN

Minnesota at Wisconsin, 8 p.m., ESPN

Colorado at UCLA, 8 p.m., ESPN2

Tennessee St. at Belmont, 8 p.m., ESPNU

St. John's at Seton Hall, 8 p.m., FS1

San Diego at Saint Mary's (Cal), 10 p.m., ESPNU

NBA

Brooklyn at Chicago, 7 p.m., TNT

Oklahoma City at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m., TNT

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

West Virginia at Oklahoma, 6 p.m., FS1

Charlotte at Louisiana Tech, 8 p.m., FSN

WHAT'S ON DECK

JUNIOR COLLEGE MEN'S BASKETBALL

Western Texas at Midland College, 7:45 p.m.

JUNIOR COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Western Texas at Midland College, 5:45 p.m.

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

UTPB at St. Mary's, 7:30 p.m.

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

UTPB at St. Mary's, 5:30 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRL'S BASKETBALL

Midland High vs. Southlake Carroll, 6:30 p.m.

JUNIOR COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Trinidad State at Midland College, 1 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

Midland Christian at TAPPS Tournament, Fort Worth

HIGH SCHOOL SOFTBALL

Midland High at Bryan Tournament

Midland Christian at Brock Tournament

HIGH SCHOOL GOLF

Lee Boys and Girls at Andrews Classic

HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS

Greenwood at Odessa Small School Tournament

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS SOCCER

Midland High at Amarillo Tascosa, 5 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER

Midland High at Amarillo Tascosa, 7 p.m.

NJCAA POLLS

NJCAA DIVISION I MEN'S BASKETBALL POLL

First place votes in parentheses

Rank	College	Record	Pts.	Pvs.
1	Indian Hills CC (12)	24-2	396	1
2	Coll. of Southern Idaho (3)	25-2	381	2
3	Vincennes University	22-2	361	7
4	Shelton State CC	21-2	328	8
5	Kilgore College	21-2	325	9
6	Columbia State CC	20-2	309	11
7	South Plains College	21-3	274	5
8	McLennan CC	24-2	269	4
9	Northeastern JC	23-2	265	15
10	Trinity Valley CC	22-3	250	6
11	Northwest Florida State	21-4	238	14
12	South Georgia Technical (12)	21-3	234	17
13	North Platte CC	21-3	177	3
14	Gillette College	22-3	159	19
15	Hutchinson CC	20-4	156	12
16	Harcum College	21-2	145	23
17	New Mexico JC	20-4	133	22
18	Iowa Western CC	22-5	117	13
19	Southeastern CC	20-5	104	16
20	Jones County JC	16-3	94	18
21	Chipola College	19-5	78	10
22	Mesa CC	20-4	71	25
23	Southwest Tennessee CC	18-3	65	21
24	Wallace State - Hanceville	20-4	61	RV
25	Williston State College	23-4	38	RV

NJCAA DIVISION I WOMEN'S BASKETBALL POLL

First place votes in parentheses

Rank	College	Record	Pts.	Pvs.
1	Trinity Valley CC (8)	24-1	200	1
2	Walters State CC	26-0	192	2
3	Hutchinson CC	22-0	184	3
4	Chipola College	25-1	176	4
5	Central Arizona College	24-2	168	5
6	Butler CC	24-1	160	7
7	Northwest Florida State	20-4	152	8
8	Salt Lake CC	21-5	144	6
9	Coll. of Southern Idaho	24-3	136	10
10	Seward County CC	22-3	128	9
11	Northeastern Oklahoma A&M	21-2	120	11
12	Gulf Coast State	22-2	112	12
13	South Georgia Technical	23-3	104	15
14	Blinn College	20-4	96	17
15	Tyler Junior College	20-4	88	16
16	Florida State-Jacksonville	19-6	80	14
17	Gulf Coast State	19-5	72	NR
18	Collin County CC	20-5	64	20
19	Eastern Oklahoma State	20-3	56	21
20	St. Petersburg College	19-6	48	NR
21	Wabash Valley College	18-4	40	18
22	Cowley County CC	18-6	32	19
23	Wallace State-Hanceville	21-3	24	25
24	Northeast CC	23-2	16	RV
25	Iowa Western CC	21-3	8	RV

2-5A Boys Basketball Standings

Team	Overall W	Overall L	District W	District L
xy-Amarillo Tascosa	15	1	24	1
x-Lubbock Coronado	11	5	22	7
x-Odessa Permian	11	5	14	7
x-Midland High	10	6	14	12
Lee	7	9	12	11
San Angelo Central	7	9	13	13
Abilene High	4	12	7	17
Abilene Cooper	4	12	6	18
Odessa High	2	14	6	21

x-clinched playoff spot
y- clinched district title

Tuesday's Scores

Midland High 71, Lee 67
Odessa High at Abilene Cooper, ppd
Odessa Permian at Abilene High, ppd
Lubbock Coronado at San Angelo Central, ppd

Wednesday's Scores

San Angelo Central 67, Lubbock Coronado 64, OT
Abilene Cooper 87, Odessa High 83
Odessa Permian 82, Abilene High 58
End of regular season

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE — Suspended Seattle OF Calvan Cohoes 50 games and Detroit C Ronny Paulino 100 games for violating the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program.

American League

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Agreed to terms with RHP Kyle Davies on a minor league contract.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Agreed to terms with RHP Greg Holland on a one-year contract.

NEW YORK YANKEES — Announced the retirement of SS Derek Jeter, effective at the end of the 2014 season.

SEATTLE MARINERS — Named Dave Valle manager and Shane Zebeluk trainer for Everett (NWL), and Jason Blanton pitching coach for Pulaski (Appalachian).

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Agreed to terms with RHP Bronson Arroyo on a two-year contract.

CINCINNATI REDS — Designated INF Henry Rodriguez for assignment. Claimed RHP Brett Marshall off waivers from the Chicago Cubs.

MIAMI MARLINS — Designated RHP Chris Hatcher for assignment. Agreed to terms with RHP Carlos Marmol on a one-year contract.

NEW YORK METS — Agreed to terms with RHP Jose Valverde on a minor league contract.

American Association

WINNIPEG GOLDEYES — Signed LHP Chris Salamida.

Atlantic League

LONG ISLAND DUCKS — Signed OF Adam Bailey and INF Ryan Shreby.

Frontier League

EVANSVILLE OTTERS — Traded LHP Matt Zaleniuk to Somerset (Atlantic) for a player to be named.

JOLIET SLAMMERS — Signed RHP Matt Dillon to a contract extension. Signed 3B Barnet Serrato.

RIVER CITY RASCALS — Signed UT Shane Brown.

SCHAUMBURG BOOMERS — Released RHP Adam Tollefson.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

SAN ANTONIO SPURS — Signed G Shannon Brown to a second 10-day contract.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

CHICAGO BEARS — Promoted Pat Meyer to offensive line coach. Named Joe Krn assistant strength/vard development coach.

CLEVELAND BROWNS — Signed DB Royce Adams.

DENVER BRONCOS — Signed executive vice president John Elway to a three-year contract extension and added general manager to his title.

GREEN BAY PACKERS — Released OL Greg Van Roten.

NEW ORLEANS SAINTS — Released S Roman Harper. RLDE Will Smith and CB Jabari Greer.

OAKLAND RAIDERS — Signed RB Kory Sheets.

ST. LOUIS RAMS — Named Gregg Williams defensive coordinator.

Canadian Football League

EDMONTON ESKIMOS — Signed DB Patrick Watkins and WR Akeem Foster.

TORONTO ARGONAUTS — Signed PK/P Swayze Waters to a two-year contract. Released PK/P Noe Pontencha.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Recalled G Kristers Gudlevskis from the Syracuse (AHL). Assigned D Cedrick Desjardins to Syracuse.

Central Hockey League

CHL — Suspended Rapid City F Kevin Hayes one game.

BRAMPTON BEAST — Signed F Ahmed Mantoui.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

COLORADO RAPIDS — Traded M Hendry Thomas to FC Dallas for allocation money. Signed G Joe Nasco and M Jared Watts.

COLLEGE

CINCINNATI — Announced the NCAA has approved hardship waivers to DB Munchie Legaux and WR Shaq Washington.

DELAWARE — Named Bryan Bossard wide receivers coach.

KENT STATE — Suspended wrestler Sam Wheeler indefinitely for making a derogatory comment on his Twitter account about former Missouri football player Michael Sam.

NJIT — Named Peter Volkert women's volleyball coach.

STANFORD — Named Lance Taylor running backs coach.

VIRGINIA UNION — Named Mike Farooqa outside linebackers coach, Tonano Morgan assistant offensive football coach, Aaron Taylor running backs coach, Wes Murphy offensive line coach/recruiting coordinator, Josef Harrison defensive line coach, Andre LeBlanc assistant football coach and Trumaine Watson strength and conditioning coach.

SKI REPORT

New Mexico

Angel Fire — Wed 6:36 am packed powder machine groomed 30-30 base 69 of 78 trails 89% open, 515 acres, 6 of 7 lifts, sm Mon-Thu. 9a-4p Fri: 9a-8p Sat: 9a-8p Sun: 9a-4p

Pajarito — Reopen TBA Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p Open Fri-Sun.

Red River — Mon 7:41 am packed powder machine groomed 21-24 base 52 of 57 trails 92% open, 7 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

Sandia Peak — Sat Reopen 2/14 MG machine groomed 23-23 base 35 of 39 trails 90% open, 4 of 5 lifts, Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p Open Fri-Sun.

Sipapu — Wed 5:47 am variable machine groomed 19-27 base 30 of 41 trails, 74% open 160 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, sm Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

Ski Apache — Wed 7:40 am variable machine groomed 25-28 base 37 of 55 trails 68% open, 400 acres, 6 of 10 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

Ski Santa Fe — Tue 11:08 am MG machine groomed 38-39 base 78 of 77 trails 95% open, 6 of 7 lifts, sm Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

Taos — Wed 7:34 am packed powder machine groomed 38-44 base 98 of 113 trails, 87% open 14 of 14 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

Enchanted Forest XC — Tue 7:00 pm packed powder machine groomed 14-20 base 35 of 40 trails, 19 miles Mon-Fri: 9a-4:30p Sat/Sun: 9a-4:30p

Colorado

Arapahoe Basin — Wed 5:31 am 1 new powder machine groomed 74-74 base 107 of 107 trails, 100% open, 960 acres, 7 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p

Aspen Highlands — Wed 8:14 am packed powder machine groomed 69-91 base 124 of 124 trails 100% open, 1040 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-3:30p Sat/Sun: 9a-3:30p

Aspen Mountain — Wed 8:15 am packed powder machine groomed 55-57 base 76 of 76 trails 100% open, 675 acres, 6 of 8 lifts, sm Mon-Fri: 9a-3:30p Sat/Sun: 9a-3:30p

Beaver Creek — Wed 8:10 am powder machine groomed 65-65 base 150 of 150 trails 100% open, 1832 acres, 24 of 25 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-3:30p Sat/Sun: 8:30a-3:30p

Breckenridge — Wed 8:11 am 3 new powder machine groomed 91-91 base 187 of 187 trails, 100% open, 2907 acres, 33 of 34 lifts, sm Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p

Buttermilk — Wed 8:16 am packed powder machine groomed 45-47 base 44 of 44 trails 100% open, 470 acres, 7 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-3:30p Sat/Sun: 9a-3:30p

Copper Mountain — Wed 5:04 am 1 new powder machine groomed 71-87 base 142 of 142 trails, 100% open, 2465 acres, 22 of 23 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p

Crested Butte — Wed 6:53 am powder machine groomed 84-84 base 103 of 121 trails 99% open, 1183 acres, 14 of 15 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat-Sun: 9a-4p

2-5A Boys Soccer Standings

Team	Overall W	Overall L	Overall T	Overall Pts	District W	District L	District T
Amarillo Tascosa	3	0	0	9	1	0	0
Odessa Permian	3	0	0	9	1	0	0
Midland High	2	1	0	6	1	0	0
Lee	2	1	0	6	1	0	0
Abilene High	2	1	0	6	1	0	0
Abilene Cooper	2	1	0	6	1	0	0
Odessa High	1	2	0	3	0	1	0
San Angelo Central	1	2	0	3	0	1	0
Lubbock Coronado	1	3	0	3	0	2	0

Note: 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie

Tuesday's Games

Midland High at Amarillo Tascosa, ppd.
Lee at Abilene Cooper, ppd.
Abilene High at Lubbock Coronado, ppd.
Odessa High vs. Odessa Permian, ppd.

Wednesday's Scores

Lee 4, Abilene Cooper 4
Abilene High 3, Lubbock Coronado 1
Odessa Permian 1, Odessa High 0

Today's Game

Midland High at Amarillo Tascosa, 5 p.m.

2-5A Girls Soccer Standings

Team	Overall W	Overall L	Overall T	Overall Pts	District W	District L	District T
Odessa Permian	4	0	0	12	1	0	0
Amarillo Tascosa	4	0	0	12	1	0	0
San Angelo Central	3	0	0	9	1	0	0
Odessa High	3	1	0	9	1	0	0
Abilene High	2	1	0	6	1	0	0
Midland High	2	2	0	6	1	1	0
Lee	1	2	0	3	0	1	0
Lubbock Coronado	1	3	0	3	0	2	0
Amarillo Tascosa	0	4	0	0	0	3	0

Note: 3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie

Saturday's Scores

Midland High 1, Odessa High 0
Lee 3, Abilene High 2
Odessa Permian 1, San Angelo Central 0
Abilene Cooper 1, Amarillo Tascosa 0

Tuesday's Games

Midland High at Amarillo Tascosa, ppd.
Lee at Abilene Cooper, ppd.
Abilene High at Lubbock Coronado, ppd.
Odessa High vs. Odessa Permian, ppd

Wednesday's Scores

Lee 1, Abilene Cooper1
Abilene High 3, Lubbock Coronado1
Odessa High 0, Odessa Permian 0

Today's Game

Midland High at Amarillo Tascosa, 7 p.m.

Lee boys tie Abilene Cooper

From staff reports

Rebels	4
Cougars	4

ABILENE — The Lee boys soccer team finished in a 4-4 tie with Abilene Cooper on Wednesday as a make-up from Tuesday's postponement because of the weather.

Lee (7-3-1, 3-2-1, 10 points) led the Cougars 4-3 before Cooper (4-2-4, 2-2-2, 8 points) tied it up at about the 78th minute.

"We played pretty well," Lee coach Scott Hicks said. "We had four good shots on goals, and defensively there were a couple of goals that were questionable. One, we thought, was off a foul of our keeper, and the other one was an own-goal off one of our players."

Scoring for the Rebels were: Cesar Gonzalez off an assist by Leo Barba in the 13th minute, Darius Strambler with an assist by Barba in the 37th minute, Reed Longabaugh with an assist from Nate Ortiz in the 50th minute, and Alex Bell with an unassisted goal in the 73rd minute.

"We're not playing bad," Hicks said. "We're playing close games, but we have got to have a breakout game sometime."

Lee next plays Midland High at noon Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

Lee girls' match with Abilene Cooper ends in draw

From staff reports

Lady Rebels	1
Lady Cougars	1

ABILENE — The Lee girls soccer team finished in a 1-1 draw against Abilene Cooper on Wednesday night.

The match was a makeup from Tuesday's postponement because of the winter weather.

The Lady Rebels move to 3-3-4, 1-2-3 in District 2-5A (6 points), while Cooper is now 5-3-3, 3-2-1 (10 points).

No further information was available from this match.

Lee will next play rival Midland High at 2 p.m. Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

TYSON

From 1C

community, my community accepted it," he said.

Despite his live show and celebrity appearances, boxing is still a big part of his life. He recently launched Iron Mike Promotions which keeps him in the sport but on the other side of the ring.

"It is difficult work and I don't have much help but it's evolved and I've had great ratings," he said. "The boxing world is cut throat and haven't gotten any help from other promoters. I also have to consider my name in all this and it's tough, but good things are gonna come and there's so much more to achieve."

For today, Tyson is more than ready for people to come into his "living room." He seems to enjoy sharing his story with no sort of pretention. However, the champ is not without an ulterior motive.

"I'm happy and secure right now, but I need a live audience," he said. "That's where this is all like boxing. I need the instant gratification of their energy and in turn, I give them what they want."

MCBASKETBALLCAPSULES

By Oscar LeRoy

Women

WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE AT MIDLAND COLLEGE
When/where: 5:45 p.m., Chaparral Center
Records: Midland College 16-9, 6-4 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Western Texas 6-15, 1-9
Last WJCAC game: Midland College 66, Clarendon College 60 (Feb. 7); Odessa College 71, Western Texas College 55
Notes: Midland College will look to extend its four-game winning streak tonight against the struggling Lady Westerners. ...Thanks to that winning streak, the Lady Chaparrals find themselves in sole possession of fourth place in the WJCAC standings and are back in the conference race by being just one game back of third place South Plains College with four games to go. ...The Lady Chaps are playing more consistent and are coming off back-to-back road victories on back-to-back nights in the Panhandle against Frank Phillips College and then against Clarendon College last Friday. ...Catherine Kruschke had a game-high 17 points and Mary Savoy added 15 in the victory over the Lady Bulldogs. ...The Lady Chaps had the bye on Monday but resume action against a Western Texas team it defeated 74-42 in Snyder on Jan. 13. MC coach Ron Jones said that game was one of the best performances his team has had this semester. ... The Lady Westerners have been struggling as they are coming in with a five-game losing streak, including a blowout loss to Odessa College at home on Monday. Brechelle Breachum, a 5-foot-8 freshman guard, is the only player averaging in double figures for WTC at 12.7 ppg.
Next: Midland College at New Mexico Junior College, 6:45 p.m. (CST) Monday; Western Texas College at Clarendon College, 5:45 p.m. Feb. 20

Statistics & Standings

Midland College Women's Statistics (16-9, 6-4)

Player	GP	FG	FT	FTA	Pts.	Avg.	Reb.	RPG
Mary Savoy	25	148	68	97	365	14.2	204	8.2
Catherine Kruschke 25	25	131	64	118	327	13.1	204	8.2
Dominique Rivers	25	109	60	77	272	10.9	162	6.5
Ellyn Avery	25	75	26	37	219	8.8	89	3.6
Tommy Vega	25	79	28	38	203	8.1	123	4.9
Dawn Green	4	7	2	6	20	5.0	14	3.5
Mickie Turner	21	35	8	10	78	4.7	16	0.8
Makayla Samuel	25	45	22	44	105	4.2	75	3.0
Ashleigh Banks	23	33	15	31	87	3.8	47	2.0
Marlena Garza	23	35	10	14	80	3.5	97	4.2
Kaja Ellis	9	4	3	11	11	1.2	24	2.7
Gabriela Martins	24	15	11	26	53	2.2	46	1.9
Sabrina Orchoa	10	6	1	7	20	2.2	13	1.3
Tyler Hamilton	9	5	1	2	12	1.3	23	2.6
Totals	25	724	319	530	1,893	75.7	1,265	50.6

3-point goals (126) — Avery 43, Vega 29, Turner 21, Martins 12, Sparks 6, Green 4, Samuel 3, Ochoa 3, Hamilton 3, Kruschke 1, Savoy 1

Women's WJCAC Standings

Team	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
x-Odessa College	9	1	19	5
x-New Mexico JC	9	1	18	5
South Plains	7	3	13	10
Midland College	6	4	16	9
Frank Phillips	4	6	16	7
Howard College	2	8	11	14
Clarendon College	2	8	10	13
Western Texas	1	9	6	15

x-clinched Region V Tournament berth

Monday's Scores

Odessa College 71, Western Texas College 55; Clarendon College 65, Howard College 52; New Mexico JC 58, South Plains College 55; Midland College and Frank Phillips College were open

Today's Games

Western Texas College at Midland College; Odessa College at New Mexico JC; Frank Phillips College at Howard College; South Plains College at Clarendon College

Midland College Men's Statistics (11-14, 6-6)

Player	GP	FG	FT	FTA	Pts.	Avg.	Reb.	RPG
Dominic Austin	13	70	33	53	242	18.6	126	9.7
Kevin Thomas	21	75	55	85	214	10.2	163	7.8
Herve Ahadodo	23	92	38	58	224	9.7	119	5.1
Daniel Hernandez	25	75	61	75	241	9.6	32	1.3
Darren Williams	25	98	65	100	214	8.6	80	3.2
Kenan Guzonjic	24	70	35	54	184	7.7	116	4.8
Dominique Bull	23	56	37	58	155	6.7	66	2.9
Cory Scott	21	42	28	38	125	6.0	45	2.1
LeBrent Walker	25	47	45	82	143	5.7	61	2.4
Jason Francois	18	30	21	27	88	4.9	34	1.9
Totals	25	638	453	671	1,842	73.7	902	36.1

3-point goals (113) — Hernandez 30, Francois 17, Austin 16, Scott 13, Williams 13, Guzonjic 9, Bull 8, Ahadodo 4, Walker 4, Thomas 1

Men's WJCAC Standings

Team	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
South Plains	9	2	22	3
Odessa College	9	3	21	4
Howard College	8	3	20	5
New Mexico JC	8	4	20	5
Western Texas	7	5	19	7
Frank Phillips	4	7	14	11
Midland College	3	9	11	14
Clarendon College	2	9	7	17
New Mexico Military	2	10	12	12

Monday's Scores

New Mexico Military Institute 69, Midland College 64; Odessa College 81, Western Texas College 73; Howard College 90, Clarendon College 78; South Plains College 72, New Mexico JC 63; Frank Phillips College was open

Today's Games

Western Texas College at Midland College; Odessa College at New Mexico JC; Frank Phillips College at Howard College; South Plains College at Clarendon College; New Mexico Military Institute is open

Men

WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE AT MIDLAND COLLEGE
When/where: 7:45 p.m., Chaparral Center
Records: Midland College 11-14, 3-9 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Western Texas 19-7, 7-5
Last WJCAC game: New Mexico Military Institute 69, Midland College 64; Odessa College 81, Western Texas College 73
Notes: Midland College will look to play spoiler the rest of this season as the Chaparrals have been eliminated from postseason contention for the third consecutive year. ...MC is coming off another disappointing loss, its second straight and sixth out of the last seven, after losing a late lead at New Mexico Military Institute on Monday. The Chaparrals led the game for most of the way but the Broncos scored the last nine points to get the win. It didn't help the Chaps that PG Darren Williams injured a shoulder with about 2 1/2 minutes remaining. Without Williams in the game, MC coach Jordan Dreiling said his team had trouble getting the ball where it wanted to. MC committed 25 turnovers in the game and it was the second straight game that the Chaps had more than 20 turnovers. Dreiling said his team has to cut down on turnovers and "buckle down" against a good Western Texas team. ...The Westerners are coming off its first home loss of the season in a hard-fought game with Odessa College on Monday. Justin Roberson, a 6-foot-1 sophomore guard, poured in a team-high 30 points, 6-7 sophomore F Devonta Walker added 13 and 6-2 sophomore G Ronnel Jordan chipped in with 11 in the loss. ...WTC head coach Larren Silver, a one-time MC assistant, has his best team in his three years in Snyder with talented guards and good size on the frontcourt.
Next: Midland College at New Mexico Junior College, 8:45 p.m. (CST) Monday; Western Texas College at Clarendon College, 7:45 p.m. Feb. 20

MHS

From 1C

says multiple players on the team have taken on that role at various points in the season.

"Honestly, all of the team stepped up and were leaders at certain times in games and practice," Allen said. "We have a lot of chemistry and we're all ready to learn from each other. We all have heart and the passion. I think we want it more than anyone else."

That passion culminated in a playoff win for the Lady Dawgs on Tuesday, winning a bi-district championship with a 67-59 victory against El Paso El Dorado. They're now hoping to upset No. 7-ranked Southlake today.

They're at least heading into tonight's game with some positive momentum after earning the first playoff win for the program since the 2010-11 season. It was also the first of Allen's varsity career.

Last year, the Lady Dawgs were eliminated in the opening round of the playoffs in a bi-district game against El Paso Eastwood at Sul Ross State's Gallego Center in Alpine, on the same court they picked up a playoff win Tuesday night.

"Whenever we walked back into this gym all I could think about was last year," Allen said. "I wasn't going to go out of here with another loss. (When I saw the golden ball trophy), it was amazing. It brought tears of joy to my eyes."

Maybe Allen and the Lady Dawgs can shed a few more joyful tears tonight.

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More information

CLASS 5A AREA PLAYOFF MIDLAND HIGH VS. NO. 7 SOUTHLAKE CARROLL
When/where: 6:30 p.m. today, Kimbrell Arena, Abilene
Records: Midland High 16-14; Carroll 25-3
Last game: Midland High 67, El Paso El Dorado 59; Carrroll 51, Weatherford 30
Notable: Southlake Carroll has been ranked in the top 10 of the TABC Class 5A poll for most of the season. The Lady Dragons are led by junior point guard Kennedy Leonard, who is a Colorado University commit. Leonard averages 13.1 points, 8.3 assists and 4.7 rebounds per game. She's complemented by senior guard Gretchen Morrison — a Jacksonville State signee — who leads the team with 14.1 points per game. The Lady Dragons also have three players over 6-feet tall, giving them a solid presence in the post as well. Guard play of this caliber is what MHS coach Wes Torres expects to see for the remainder of the Lady Bulldogs' tenure in the postseason. "When you get to this point in the season everyone is going to be good," Torres said. "Everyone is going to have strong guard play. I know it's a tough task for us, but it's one I know we as a team are looking forward to." ...Today's game does make for a quick turnaround for the Lady Dawgs, who played Tuesday. Carroll has the luxury of having an extra day of practice after playing Weatherford on Monday, but Torres says that's something MHS can't dwell on. "We can't worry about what we can't control," Torres said. "We wanted to play Friday and the flip didn't go our way. This time of year, if you're not ready to play, then you don't deserve to be here. Our kids are tough and resilient. They're going to be just fine." ... One thing Torres isn't worried about against Southlake Carroll is whether or not the Lady Dawgs have faced that caliber of competition this season. "We had one of the toughest non-district schedules around and minus Abilene High, I don't think we lost to a non-playoff team," Torres said. "We've been battle-tested. We're excited about this and we're going to be ready regardless of who we play."
Next: Winner vs. Arlington Bowie-El Paso Coronado winner in Class 5A regional quarterfinal.

COLLEGEROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Women

NO. 7 BAYLOR 75 TEXAS TECH 58

LUBBOCK — Baylor coach Kim Mulkey thought her team could have been remembering how easily they'd upended Texas Tech in their first meeting this season.

"I thought that we were missing some easy shots," Mulkey said after the No. 7 Lady Bears defeated the Lady Raiders 75-58 on Wednesday night. "I thought that quite honestly, whether it was my fault as a coach or what, I just didn't think we played with a lot of intensity. I don't know if it's cause we played them the first time and beat them so bad. We did enough to win."

Odyssey Sims scored 30 points, her 11th game of at least 30 points. She made six 3-pointers and went 11 of 19 overall from the field.

"I know there is going to be these types of games, and my team relies on me to be the leader and step up no matter what," Sims said. "I can't show that I'm frustrated or made because then my teammates won't know what to do. So I do my best to lead no matter what, and keep them positive."

Nina Davis added 13 points and 10 rebounds to help the Lady Bears (21-3, 11-1 Big 12) win their seventh in a row after dropping back-to-back games in mid-January.

Sims left the game briefly in the first half with what appeared to be an injury to her right leg or ankle but was back within a couple of minutes.

Men

TEXAS TECH 68 OKLAHOMA 60

NORMAN, Okla. — Robert Turner scored 16 points to help Texas Tech defeat Oklahoma 68-60 on Wednesday night.

Jaye Crockett and Dusty Hannahs each scored 10 points for the Red Raiders (13-11, 5-6 Big 12), who nearly squandered a 20-point lead in the second half but held on for their third straight win. The Red Raiders in their first game since the incident between Oklahoma State's Marcus Smart shoving Texas Tech fan Jeff Orr, held Oklahoma to its lowest point total of the season. Oklahoma won the first meeting 74-65 in Lubbock, Texas.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men

TOP 25 MEN FARED WEDNESDAY

1 Syracuse (23-0) at No. 25 Pittsburgh: Next vs N.C. State, Saturday
2 Arizona (23-1) did not play. Next at Arizona State, Friday
3 Florida (22-2) did not play. Next at No. 14 Kentucky, Saturday
4 Wichita State (26-0) did not play. Next at Evansville, Sunday
5 San Diego State (21-2) did not play. Next vs. Air Force, Saturday
6 Villanova (21-2) at DePaul: Next at No. 18 Creighton, Sunday
7 Kansas (18-6) did not play. Next vs. TCU, Saturday
8 Duke (19-5) at North Carolina: ppd. Next vs. Maryland, Saturday
9 Michigan State (20-4) did not play. Next vs. Northwestern, Thursday
10 Cincinnati (22-3) did not play. Next vs. Houston, Saturday
11 Iowa State (18-5) did not play. Next vs. Texas Tech, Saturday
12 Saint Louis (22-2) did not play. Next vs. VCU, Saturday
13 Louisville (19-4) did not play. Next at Temple, Thursday
14 Kentucky (18-5) at Auburn: Next vs. No. 3 Florida, Saturday
15 Michigan (18-6) did not play. Next vs. No. 21 Wisconsin, Sunday
16 Iowa (18-6) did not play. Next at Penn State, Saturday
17 Virginia (20-5) did not play. Next at Clemson, Saturday
18 Creighton (19-4) did not play. Next at Butler, Thursday
19 Texas (19-5) did not play. Next vs. West Virginia, Saturday
20 Memphis (18-5) vs. UCF: Next at No. 24 UConn, Saturday
21 Wisconsin (19-5) did not play. Next vs. Minnesota, Thursday
22 Ohio State (19-6) did not play. Next at Illinois, Saturday
23 SMU (19-5) did not play. Next at Rutgers, Thursday
24 UConn (18-5) vs. South Florida: Next vs. No. 20 Memphis, Saturday
25 Pittsburgh (20-4) vs. No. 1 Syracuse: Next at North Carolina, Saturday

TUESDAY'S SCORES
SOUTHWEST

Baylor 91, TCU 58
Texas Tech 68, Oklahoma 60
SOUTH
Boise St. at Virginia Univ.: ppd
Bryan at Montreal: ppd
Campbell 77, Presbyterian 66
Chowan 71, Virginia St. 66
Coastal Carolina 83, VMI 76
Duke at North Carolina: ppd
Emory & Henry at Guilford: ppd
Erskine at Pfeiffer: ppd
Johnson C. Smith at St. Augustine's: ppd
Kentucky 64, Auburn 56
Lenoir-Rhyne at Newberry: ppd
Limestone at Barton: ppd
North Greenville at Lees-McRae: ppd
Roanoke at Randolph: ppd
Thomas More 81, Westminster (Pa.) 54
Transylvania 96, Franklin 89
VCU 82, George Washington 71
Va. Wesleyan 66, Hampden-Sydney 61
Wofford 76, Longwood 59

TODAY'S SCHEDULES
SOUTHWEST

Dbl Dominion at North Texas, 7 p.m.
Chicago St. at Texas Pan American, 7 p.m.
FIU at UTSA, 7 p.m.
East Carolina at Tulsa, 7:05 p.m.
Ora Roberts at Houston Baptist, 7:30 p.m.
Stephen F. Austin at Lamar, 7:30 p.m.
Cent. Arkansas at Texas A&M-CC, 7:30 p.m.
Northwestern St. at Sam Houston St., 7:45 p.m.
Abilene Christian at Incarnate Word, 8 p.m.
FAU at UTEP, 8:05 p.m.
SOUTH
Samford at Appalachian St., 6 p.m.
W. Carolina at Chattanooga, 6 p.m.
Drexel at Coll. of Charleston, 6 p.m.
Florida Gulf Coast at ETSU, 6 p.m.
Texas St. at Georgia St., 6 p.m.
Charleston Southern at High Point, 6 p.m.
N. Kentucky at Kennesaw St., 6 p.m.
Lipscomb at Mercer, 6 p.m.
UNC Asheville at Radford, 6 p.m.
Stetson at SC-Upstate, 6 p.m.
E. Illinois at Austin Peay, 7 p.m.
Morehead St. at Jacksonville St., 7 p.m.
Texas-Arlington at Louisiana-Monroe, 7 p.m.
Tulane at Middle Tennessee, 7 p.m.
ULL at Louisiana-Lafayette, 7:06 p.m.
Arkansas St. at South Alabama, 7:05 p.m.
McNeese St. at SE Louisiana, 7:30 p.m.
Nicholls St. at New Orleans, 7:45 p.m.
Tennessee St. at Belmont, 8 p.m.
Southern Miss. at UAB, 8 p.m.

Women

TUESDAY'S SCORES
SOUTHWEST

Baylor 75, Texas Tech 58
Rice 75, Tulsa 59
SOUTH
Arkansas St. 71, South Alabama 58
Bryan at Montreal: ppd
Chowan 51, Virginia St. 47
Erskine at Pfeiffer: ppd
George Mason 101, UMass 73
Guilford at Emory & Henry: ppd
Haverford 61, Washington (Md.) 47
Johnson C. Smith at St. Augustine's: ppd
Lenoir-Rhyne at Newberry: ppd
Limestone at Barton: ppd
Louisville 60, Temple 50
Middle Tennessee 65, FIU 58
North Greenville at Lees-McRae: ppd
Southern Miss. 80, Marshall 73
Thomas More 96, Westminster (Pa.) 52
Tulane 74, FAU 62
UAB 79, UTSA 56
ULL 81, Louisiana-Lafayette 51
W. Kentucky 83, Troy 74
Washington & Lee at Randolph: ppd

TODAY'S SCHEDULES
SOUTHWEST

Ora Roberts at Houston Baptist, 5 p.m.
Cent. Arkansas at Texas A&M-CC, 5:30 p.m.
Stephen F. Austin at Lamar, 5:30 p.m.
Northwestern St. at Sam Houston St., 5:45 p.m.
Abilene Christian at Incarnate Word, 6 p.m.
West Virginia at Oklahoma, 6 p.m.
Alabama at Arkansas, 6 p.m.
Georgia at Texas A&M, 6 p.m.
SOUTH
Pittsburgh at North Carolina, 5 p.m.
McNeese St. at SE Louisiana, 5 p.m.
N.C. State at Clemson, 5:30 p.m.
Nicholls St. at New Orleans, 5:45 p.m.
High Point at Charleston Southern, 6 p.m.
Campbell at Coastal Carolina, 6 p.m.
Longwood at Gardner-Webb, 6 p.m.
Virginia at Georgia Tech, 6 p.m.
UNC Wilmington at James Madison, 6 p.m.
Mississippi at Kentucky, 6 p.m.
Jacksonville at Lipscomb, 6 p.m.
Maryland at Miami, 6 p.m.
North Florida at N. Kentucky, 6 p.m.
Liberty at Presbyterian, 6 p.m.
Kennesaw St. at Stetson, 6 p.m.
Radford at UNC Asheville, 6 p.m.
Auburn at Vanderbilt, 6 p.m.
Mercer at Florida Gulf Coast, 6:05 p.m.
Virginia Tech at Wake Forest, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Louisiana Tech, 8 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL PAIRINGS

Class 5A
Region I
Bi-district

Southlake Carroll (25-3, W4) 51, Weatherford 30
Midland High (16-14, T2) 67, El Paso El Dorado 59
Arlington Bowie (27-2, W3) 73, Keller Fossil Ridge 52
El Paso Coronado (21-6, T1) 63, Lubbock Coronado 50
South Grand Prairie (22-10, F7) 67, Killeen Ellison 47
Flower Mound (19-11, R5) 60, Colleyville Heritage 51
Duncanville (30-0, W7) 83, Killeen Harker Heights 31
Irving MacArthur (23-6, R6) 51, Lewisville Hebron 44
El Paso Bel Air (F1) 48, Lee 43
Arlington Martin (19-8, R3) 48, Richland 32
El Paso Franklin (21-4, W1) 65, Amarillo Tascosa 38
Arlington Lamar (19-8, T3) 47, Keller 42
Hurst L.D. Bell (26-2, W6) 58, Lewisville 35
Mansfield Timberview (25-8, R7) 56, Temple 31
Flower Mound Marcus (28-2, W5) 49, Euless Trinity 38
DeSoto (19-10, T7) 53, Killeen 36
Area
Southlake Carroll (25-3, W4) vs. Midland High (16-14, T2), 6:30 p.m., Kimbrell Arena, Abilene
Arlington Bowie (27-2, W3) vs. El Paso Coronado (21-6, T1), 4 p.m. Friday, McGraw Special Events Center
South Grand Prairie (22-10, F7) vs. Flower Mound (19-11, R5), TBA
Duncanville (30-0, W7) vs. Irving MacArthur (23-6, R6), TBA
El Paso Bel Air (F1) vs. Arlington Martin (19-8, R3), 4:30 p.m. Friday, Odessa College Sports Center
El Paso Franklin (21-4, W1) vs. Arlington Lamar (19-8, T3), 6 p.m. Friday, Lamesa MS
Hurst L.D. Bell (26-2, W6) vs. Mansfield Timberview (25-8, R7), TBA
Flower Mound Marcus (28-2, W5) vs. DeSoto (19-10, T7), TBA

Class 3A
Region I
Bi-district

Abilene Wylie (26-5, W4) 77, Clint 17
Lubbock Cooper (17-13, T2) 58, Perryton 39
Big Spring (F4) 65, Fabens 48
Levelland (R2) 46, Pampa 24
Brownwood (W6) 61, Venus 19
Wichita Falls Hirsch (R5) 57, Mineral Wells 47
Stephenville (W7) 60, Gatesville 36
Springtown (15-10, R6) 45, Graham 34
Shallowater (W2) 67, Amarillo River Road 30
Snyder (T4) 62, Cent Mountain View 46
Dalhart (25-4, W1) 56, Seminole 48
Greenwood (12-16, R4) 65, Fort Stockton 32
Kennedale (18-10, W6) 90, Vernon (F5) 48
Glen Rose (R7) 55, Burnet 44
Bunkburnett (17-8, W5) 57, Lake Worth 25
Liberty Hill (22-9, R8) 64, Alvarado 37
Area
Abilene Wylie (26-4) vs. Lubbock Cooper (17-13, T2), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Coahoma HS
Big Spring (F4) vs. Levelland (R2), 8 p.m. Friday, Post HS
Brownwood (W6) vs. Wichita Falls Hirsch (R5), TBA
Stephenville (W7) vs. Springtown (15-10, R6), TBA
Shallowater (W2) vs. Snyer (T4), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Post HS
Dalhart (25-4, W1) vs. Greenwood (12-16, R4), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Rip Griffin Center, Lubbock
Kennedale (18-10, W6) vs. Glen Rose (R7), TBA
Bunkburnett (17-8, W5) vs. Liberty Hill (22-9, R8), TBA

Class 2A
Region I
Bi-district

Lamesa (18-8, W4) 47, Childress 33
Olton (23-8, T2) 66, Bushland 57, OT
Slaton (R3) 56, Brownfield 42
Spearman (T1) 36, Dimmitt 35
Bowie (W8) 51, Eastland 35
Bangs (17-13, T6) 51, Kermit 34
Cisco (27-2, W7) 58, Holliday 34
Jim Ned (R6) 60, Alpine 21
Littlefield (22-8, W2) 47, Sanford-Fritch 35
Idalou (W3) 40, Colorado City (F4) 33
Canadian (W1) 74, Tulia 41
Denver City (19-10, R4) 60, Lubbock Roosevelt 50
Wall (W8) 76, Reagan County 9
Wichita Falls City View (T8) 48, Clyde 45
Sonora (27-4, W5) 63, Ballinger 57
Breckenridge (T7) 82, Nocona 42
Area
Lamesa (18-8, W4) vs. Olton (23-8, T2), 7:45 p.m. Friday, Wolfforth Frenship HS
Slaton (R3) vs. Spearman (T1), 6 p.m. Friday, Tascosa Activity Center, Amarillo
Bowie (W8) vs. Bangs (17-13, T6), 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Tarelton State University, Stephenville
Cisco (27-2, W7) vs. Jim Ned (R6), TBA
Littlefield (22-8, W2) vs. Idalou (W3), 6 p.m. Friday, Wolfforth Frenship HS
Canadian (W1) vs. Denver City (19-10, R4), TBA
Wall (W8) vs. WF City View, TBA
Sonora (27-4, W5) vs. Breckenridge (T7), TBA

Class A, Division I
Region I
Bi-district

New Deal (22-7, W4) bye
Sunray (R1) 57, Claude 52
Clarendon (14-1, W2) bye
Wheeler (18-12, R3) 49, Hale Center 31
Chrstoval (14-1, W8) bye
Sudan (R5) 46, Forsan 38
Sundown (21-8, W6) bye
Van Horn (20-8, R7) 44, Iron County (Mo.) 36
Wellington (20-4, W3) bye
Panhandle (21-8, R2) 52, Stratford 42
Gruver (22-6, W1) bye
Shamrock (12-7, T3) 38, Lockney 34
McCamey (W7) bye
Plains (24-3, R6) 79, Morton 66
Farwell (W5) bye
Miles (R8) 39, Wink 33
Area
New Deal (22-7, W4) vs. Sunray (R1), 6 p.m. Friday, Canyon HS
Clarendon (14-1, W2) vs. Wheeler (18-12, R3), time TBA, Friday, Amarillo High
Chrstoval (14-1, W8) vs. Sudan (R5), TBA
Sundown (21-8, W6) vs. Van Horn (20-8, R7), 6 p.m. Friday, Crane HS
Wellington (20-4, W3) vs. Panhandle (21-8, R2), TBA
Gruver (22-6, W1) vs. Shamrock (12-7, T3), TBA
McCamey (W7) vs. Plains (24-3, R6), 7 p.m. Friday, Stanton HS
Farwell (W5) vs. Miles (R8), 6 p.m. Friday, Andrews HS

Class A Division II
Region I
Bi-district

Anton (20-6, W4) bye
Miami (22-6, R1) 74, Hedley 53
Valley (24-4, W2) bye
Happy (16-10, R3) 47, Whitharral 32
Rankin (W8) bye
Borden County (T6) 32, Ropes 31
Grady (19-6, W6) bye
Sierra Blanca (R7) 34, Buena Vista 29
Nazareth (30-1, W3) bye
Silverton (13-13, R2) 43, Fort Elliott 42
Follett (25-1, W1) bye
Lazbuddie (16-11, R4) 48, Texline 38
Fort Davis (W7) bye
O'Donnell (R6) vs. New Home (T5), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Post HS
Petersburg (W5) bye
Balmorhea (12-10, T7) 40, Sanderson 37
Area
Anton (20-6, W4) vs. Miami (22-6, R1), 6 p.m. Friday, Amarillo River Road HS
Valley (24-4, W2) vs. Happy (16-10, R3), time TBA, Friday, Amarillo River Road HS
Rankin (W8) vs. Borden County (T6), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Robert Lee HS
Grady (19-6, W6) vs. Sierra Blanca (R7), TBA
Nazareth (30-1, W3) vs. Silverton (13-13, R2), TBA
Follett (25-1, W1) vs. Lazbuddie (16-11, R4), 6:30 p.m. Friday, White Deer HS
Fort Davis (W7) vs. O'Donnell-New Home winner, TBA
Petersburg (W5) vs. Balmorhea (12-10, T7), 6 p.m. Thursday, Andrews HS

Region II
Bi-district

Eula (W12) bye
Aspermont (R9) 66, Crowell 53
Vernon Northside (W10), bye
Bradford (R11) vs. Baird (T12), 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Eastland HS
Zephyr (W16) bye
Roscoe (R13) 33, Paint Rock 31
Garden City (W14) bye
Brookesmith (R15) 57, Blanket 43
Newcastle (W11) bye
Spur (T9) 50, Knox City 37
Paducah (W9) bye
Roby (R12) 33, Throckmorton 18
Cross Plains (W15) bye
Ira (T13) 50, Sterling City 48
Roscoe Highland (W13) bye
Priddy (R16) vs. Santa Anna (T15), 8 p.m. Wednesday, May

LADY CHAPS

From 1C

Education Building, and Ramos said his team is anxious to be outdoors and playing games.

"We want to get out on the field to work on several things and build that chemistry on the field," said Ramos, whose team is 2-2 on the young season. "The girls are excited about being out there. You want to see that enthusiasm and you want to allow the kids to be themselves and be allowed to play. We can only do so much indoors."

Ramos said that it's important for his team to work on its mental approach to games and added that it doesn't help to wait as long as they have to play.

"The girls are anxious but I don't want them to press," Ramos said.

This weekend's round-robin tournament should provide the Lady Chaps with competitive games as they play regular Classic attendees Vernon Junior College, Otero Junior College and Western Nebraska along with Coastal Bend College and No. 17 North Central Texas Community College.

Fellow Western Junior College Athletic Conference teams No. 5-ranked Howard College, No. 10 Odessa College, Western Texas College, Clarendon College El Paso Community College and Luna Community College are also among the field. But because WJCAC teams play each other eight times during the conference schedule, none of the league teams play each other this weeked.

"The Classic always has good competition and this year should be no different," Ramos said.

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Schedule

MIDLAND COLLEGE SPRING CLASSIC at Freddie Ezell Softball Complex (MUGS)
Friday

9 a.m. — Howard College vs. Otero Junior College (Field 3), Odessa College vs. Eastern Oklahoma State College (Field 4), El Paso Community College vs. Trinidad State Junior College (Field 5), Clarendon College vs. North Central Texas College (Field 6), Western Texas College vs. Western Nebraska (Field 7)
11:30 a.m. — Howard College vs. Western Nebraska (Field 3), El Paso CC vs. Eastern Oklahoma State (Field 4), Odessa College vs. Trinidad State (Field 5), Luna Community College vs. Coastal Bend College (Field 6), Midland College vs. Vernon College (Field 7)
2 p.m. — Howard College vs. North Central Texas (Field 3), Luna CC vs. Trinidad State (Field 4), Clarendon College vs. Vernon College (Field 5), Western Texas vs. Coastal Bend (Field 6), Midland College vs. Otero JC (Field 7)
4:30 p.m. — El Paso CC vs. Vernon Junior College (Field 3), Western Texas vs. Otero Junior College (Field 4), Luna CC vs. Eastern Oklahoma State (Field 5), Odessa College vs. North Central Texas (Field 6), Clarendon College vs. Coastal Bend (Field 7)
7 p.m. — Midland College vs. Western Nebraska (Field 7)

Saturday

9 a.m. — Clarendon College vs. Trinidad State (Field 3), Odessa College vs. Otero JC (Field 4), Howard College vs. Eastern Oklahoma State (Field 5), El Paso CC vs. Otero JC (Field 6), Midland College vs. North Central Texas (Field 7)
11:30 a.m. — Luna CC vs. Vernon College (Field 3), Clarendon College vs. Western Nebraska (Field 4), Western Texas vs. Trinidad State (Field 5), El Paso CC vs. Otero JC (Field 6), Midland College vs. North Central Texas (Field 7)
2 p.m. — Howard College vs. Coastal Bend (Field 4), Western Texas vs. Eastern Oklahoma State (Field 5), Odessa College vs. Vernon JC (Field 6), Luna CC vs. Western Nebraska (Field 7)

In New Orleans, Benson gets All-Star treatment

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS — One of the people most responsible for bringing NBA All-Stars back to the Big Easy this weekend is an 86-year-old man who wasn't that into basketball for much of his life.

He is Tom Benson. And in New Orleans, NBA fans and community leaders are grateful the NFL owner — who also now owns the Pelicans — finally came around.

"He really stepped up to the plate in a big way, because there was more than an idle threat that our team was going to get moved out of the city," New Orleans Mayor Mitch Landrieu said. "It was really important that we had an owner that was committed to keeping the team here."

Benson was widely credited with keeping the NFL's Saints in New Orleans when he bought that club for $75 million in 1985. In April 2012, he paid $338 million for New Orleans' NBA franchise, then called the Hornets, who'd struggled financially since relocating from Charlotte in 2002.

With that purchase came a promise that New Orleans would host its second NBA All-Star game since 2008, providing an enormous boost to a local economy built in large part on tourism.

"Mr. Benson has played a major role in the revitalization of New Orleans through sports," said Jay Cicero, head of the Greater New Orleans Sports Foundation, which organizes bids for major sporting events. "If you look at some choices out there where NFL or NBA teams could go, other cities might be more profitable, but Mr. Benson loves this community and it's apparent through his actions the past eight, nine years. It's a pretty amazing story."

In 2005, Hurricane Katrina put many aspects of New Orleans' future in doubt, particularly its role as a small-market host city for two major pro sports franchises.

Even the future of the Saints was in doubt, despite Louisiana's renowned love affair with the NFL franchise dating back to its founding in 1967. The football team was temporarily relocated to San Antonio, where Benson also had business interests, and officials there have said they believed Benson flirted with the idea of keeping the Saints in Texas permanently.

WEDNESDAY IN THE NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	28	24	.538	—
Brooklyn	24	26	.480	3
New York	20	32	.385	8
Boston	15	36	.352	10
Philadelphia	15	38	.283	13½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	36	14	.720	—
Atlanta	25	26	.490	11½
Washington	25	27	.481	12
Charlotte	23	30	.434	14½
Orlando	16	38	.296	22

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	40	12	.769	—
Chicago	26	25	.510	13½
Detroit	22	30	.423	18
Cleveland	20	33	.377	20½
Milwaukee	9	43	.173	31

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	38	15	.717	—
Houston	36	17	.679	2
Dallas	32	22	.593	6½
Memphis	29	23	.558	8½
New Orleans	23	29	.442	14½

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	42	12	.778	—
Portland	36	16	.692	5
Minnesota	25	28	.472	16½
Denver	24	27	.471	16½
Utah	18	33	.353	22½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	36	18	.667	—
Golden State	31	21	.596	4
Phoenix	30	21	.588	4½
L.A. Lakers	18	34	.346	17
Sacramento	18	35	.340	17½

Wednesday s Scores

Memphis 86 Orlando 81
Dallas 81 Indiana 73
Toronto 104 Atlanta 83
Brooklyn 105, Charlotte 89
San Antonio 104 Boston 92
Cleveland 93 Detroit 89
Sacramento 106 New York 101 OT
Minnesota 117 Denver 90
Houston 113 Washington 112
New Orleans 102 Milwaukee 98
Philadelphia at Utah late
Miami at Golden State late
Portland at L.A. Clippers late

Today s Games

Brooklyn at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Oklahoma City at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY S BOX SCORES

MAVERICKS 81, PACERS 73

DALLAS (81): Marion 2-9 0-0 4, Nowitzki 4-13 3-4 18, Dalembert 2-8 0-0 4, Calderon 1-2 2-4, Ellis 7-18 9-10 23, Carter 4-11 0-0 11, Rai 4-8 1-1 9, Crowder 0-1 0-0 0, Larkin 0-5 1-2 1, Wright 3-3 1-2 7. Totals 30-84 16-21 81.

INDIANA (73): George 4-17 3-3 12, West 5-12 2-2 12, Hibbert 2-6 0-0 4, G Hill 5-11 1-2 14, Stephenson 6-16 1-1 13, Granger 4-9 2-2 13, Scola 0-5 0-0 0, Mahinmi 1-4 0-0 2, Watson 0-4 3-4 3. Totals 29-87 12-14 73.

Dallas	19	25	16	21 — 81
Indiana	19	23	20	11 — 73

3-Point Goals—Dallas 5-19 (Carter 3-6, Nowitzki 1-3, Calderon 1-5, Larkin 0-1, Marion 0-1, Ellis 0-3), Indiana 7-24 (Granger 3-5, G Hill 3-8, George 1-6, Watson 0-2, Stephenson 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 56 (Ellis 9), Indiana 60 (Stephenson 10). Assists—Dallas 21 (Ellis 6), Indiana 18 (West 6). Total Fouls—Dallas 19, Indiana 22. Technicals—Calderon, Stephenson, West A—17,663 (18,165).

SPURS 104, CELTICS 92

SAN ANTONIO (104): D Green 3-7 1-2 7, Duncan 9-15 7-8 25, Diaw 8-12 1-1 18, Joseph 4-9 2-2 11, Belinelli 6-12 2-2 16, Bonner 3-7 0-0 7, De Colo 1-3 0-0 2, Ayres 0-1 0-0 0, Mills 6-13 1-1 16, Brown 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 41-82 13-14 104.

BOSTON (92): J Green 4-11 7-12 10, Bass 5-8 2-2 12, Sullinger 2-9 0-0 4, Rondo 6-7 0-0 16, Wallace 3-9 0-0 6, Olynyk 6-11 3-5 15, Bayless 5-7 1-2 11, Humphries 5-9 5-6 15, Pressey 1-1 0-0 3, Johnson 0-1 0-0 0, Anthony 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 37-80 12-17 92.

San Antonio	25	23	23	33 — 104
Boston	19	25	22	26 — 92

3-Point Goals—San Antonio 9-19 (Mills 3-8, Belinelli 2-4, Joseph 1-1, Diaw 1-2, Bonner 1-2, D Green 1-2), Boston 6-17 (Rondo 4-5, Pressey 1-1, J Green 1-4, Wallace 0-1, Johnson 0-1, Sullinger 0-2, Olynyk 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—San Antonio 45 (Belinelli 11), Boston 45 (Olynyk 10). Assists—San Antonio 24 (Belinelli 8), Boston 24 (Bayless 9). Total Fouls—San Antonio 19, Boston 15. A—17,922 (18,624).

RAPTORS 104, HAWKS 83

ATLANTA (83): Korver 3-7 0-0 8, Millsap 4-8 8-9 17, Ayon 9-11 0-0 18, Teague 4-13 5-5 13, Williams 2-8 1-2 5, Brand 1-5 3-3 5, Mack 0-3 0-0 0, Martin 4-9 1-2 10, Schroder 0-5 1-2 1, Scott 3-9 0-0 6. Totals 30-78 19-23 83.

TORONTO (104): Ross 5-11 0-0 13, Patterson 6-15 1-2 14, Valanciunas 1-9 0-0 2, Lowry 5-14 5-6 16, DeRozan 11-19 7-7 31, Hansbrough 2-7 4-7 8, Salmons 0-1 0-0 0, Vasquez 5-10 0-0 12, Novak 2-5 0-0 6, Hayes 1-1 0-0 2, Stone 0-0 0-0 0, Daye 0-2 0-0 0. Buycks 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-94 17-22 104.

Atlanta	24	20	21	18 — 83
Toronto	19	26	33	26 — 104

3-Point Goals—Atlanta 4-20 (Korver 2-4, Millsap 1-3, Martin 1-4, Schroder 0-1, Scott 0-1, Mack 0-1, Teague 0-2, Williams 0-4), Toronto 11-33 (Ross 3-8, DeRozan 2-3, Novak 2-4, Vasquez 2-4, Lowry 1-4, Patterson 1-6, Salmons 0-1, Hansbrough 0-1, Daye 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 54 (Ayon 10), Toronto 59 (Valanciunas 14). Assists—Atlanta 24 (Teague 6), Toronto 22 (Lowry 13). Total Fouls—Atlanta 21, Toronto 19. Technicals—Atlanta defensive three second, Toronto defensive three second A—17,121 (19,800).

GRIZZLIES 98, MAGIC 81

MEMPHIS (98): Prince 7-13 0-0 14, Randolph 8-14 4-5 20, Gasol 2-5 0-0 4, Calathes 8-14 0-0 12, Lee 5-14 4-4 17, Miller 0-1 0-0 0, Koufos 3-5 1-4 7, E.Davis 1-4 0-0 2, Morris 3-4 1-3 8, Johnson 1-3 2-2 4, Leuer 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 36-77 12-18 98.

ORLANDO (81): Harris 4-10 5-5 13, G.Davis 6-11 0-0 12, Vucevic 6-12 1-1 13, Nelson 3-10 0-0 8, Affalo 4-9 1-2 10, Oladipo 2-11 2-2 7, Harkless 2-5 0-0 4, Nicholson 1-3 0-0 2, Moore 4-7 0-0 8, O'Quinn 2-5 0-0 4. Totals 34-83 9-10 81.

Memphis	24	19	22	22 — 86
Orlando	19	17	27	18 — 81

3-Point Goals—Memphis 2-12 (Lee 1-3, Morris 1-3, Calathes 0-1, Johnson 0-1, Prince 0-2, Randolph 0-2), Orlando 4-13 (Nelson 2-6, Oladipo 1-2, Affalo 1-3, Harris 0-1, Moore 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Memphis 48 (Lee 8), Orlando 49 (Vucevic 10). Assists—Memphis 17 (Calathes 6), Orlando 18 (Nelson 7). Total Fouls—Memphis 14, Orlando 13. A—15,310 (18,500).

NETS 105, BOBCATS 89

CHARLOTTE (89): Kidd-Gilchrist 3-6 1-2 7, McRoberts 5-9 0-0 13, Jefferson 5-11 2-2 12, Walker 6-17 2-3 16, Henderson 3-11 0-1 7, Zeller 1-2 1-2 3, Tolliver 3-9 0-0 8, Sessions 4-7 1-2 9, Byorkhe 0-3 0-0 0, Pargo 2-7 0-0 5, Gordon 1-3 0-0 3. Totals 36-87 7-15 89.

BROOKLYN (105): Johnson 2-8 2-2 8, Pierce 9-11 2-3 25, Garnett 5-9 0-0 10, Williams 4-11 4-5 13, Livingston 1-2 2-2 4, Blatche 6-11 1-1 13, Teletovic 5-11 0-0 13, Anderson 1-4 0-0 2, Kirilenko 3-5 0-0 6, Terry 1-4 0-0 3, Plumlee 1-2 0-0 2. Teague 2-2 1-2 6. Totals 40-80 12-15 105.

Charlotte	29	15	19	26 — 89
Brooklyn	30	20	35	20 — 105

3-Point Goals—Charlotte 10-27 (McRoberts 3-7, Walker 2-4, Tolliver 2-7, Gordon 1-2, Henderson 1-2, Pargo 1-4, Sessions 0-1, Brooklyn 13-31 (Pierce 5-5, Teletovic 3-8, Johnson 2-5, Teague 1-1, Terry 1-3, Williams 1-5, Kirilenko 0-1, Blatche 0-1, Anderson 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Charlotte 54 (Jefferson 10), Brooklyn 48 (Kirilenko, Teletovic 8). Assists—Charlotte 17 (McRoberts, Walker, Sessions 3), Brooklyn 23 (Williams 7). Total Fouls—Charlotte 15, Brooklyn 18. Technicals—Walker, Garnett A—16,962 (17,732).

CAVALIERS 93, PISTONS 89

CLEVELAND (93): Deng 0-9 4-6 4, Thompson 1-2 1-6 1, 3-25, Zeller 4-6 0-0 8, Irving 6-16 9-9 23, Jack 3-7 2-3 9, Waiters 4-8 0-4 9, Bennett 1-4 0-0 2, Delavedova 0-2 3-3 3, Sims 0-3 0-0 0, Gee 0-2 0-0 0. Clark 2-5 1-2 5. Miles 2-4 0-0 5. Totals 34-84 20-30 93.

DETROIT (89): Smith 7-15 3-4 18, Monroe 7-13 2-4 16, Drummond 7-13 2-3 16, Jennings 3-14 0-2 9, Singler 2-9 0-0 6, Caldwell-Pope 0-1 0-0 0, Stuckey 1-5 2-2 4, Bynum 5-10 2-2 12, Jerebko 1-7 0-0 2. Totals 33-81 11-17 89.

Cleveland	22	18	19	34 — 93
Detroit	28	23	15	23 — 89

3-Point Goals—Cleveland 5-15 (Irving 2-3, Miles 1-2, Jack 1-2, Waiters 1-3, Bennett 0-1, Clark 0-1, Deng 0-3), Detroit 4-23 (Jennings 1-11, Smith 1-3, Stuckey 0-1, Drummond 0-1, Caldwell-Pope 0-1, Bynum 0-2, Singler 0-4). Fouled Out—Zeller. Rebounds—Cleveland 52 (Thompson 15), Detroit 66 (Drummond 17). Assists—Cleveland 17 (Jack 8), Detroit 21 (Monroe, Jennings 5). Total Fouls—Cleveland 21, Detroit 24. Technicals—Drummond, Detroit defensive three second A—13,184 (22,076).

TIMBERWOLVES 117 NUGGETS 90

DENVER (90): Arthur 0-4 0-0 0, Faried 2-6 2-2 6, Hickson 6-11 1-2 13, Foye 3-12 2-2 10, Chandler 4-10 0-0 12, Hamilton 7-14 0-0 16, Mozgov 3-8 3-6 9, Fournier 4-9 4-4 13, Randolph 4-8 1-2 9, Q Miller 0-2 1-2 1. Totals 33-84 15-20 90.

MINNESOTA (117): Brewer 9-14 3-4 22, Love 11-20 4-4 32, Tuttle 1-6 1-3 3, Rubio 4-6 3-4 11, Budinger 4-13 1-1 12, Barea 6-9 0-0 15, Cunningham 3-7 0-0 6, Shved 0-1 0-0 0, Mbah a Moute 1-1 0-0 2, Dieng 0-0 2-4 2. Price 2-4 0-0 4, Muhammad 2-4 1-2 5, Hummel 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 45-86 15-23 117.

Denver	19	22	23	26 — 90
Minnesota	31	30	28	28 — 117

3-Point Goals—Denver 9-24 (Chandler 4-7, Hamilton 2-4, Foye 2-6, Fournier 1-3, Mozgov 0-1, Q Miller 0-1, Randolph 0-2), Minnesota 12-26 (Love 6-11, Budinger 3-7, Barea 2-3, Brewer 1-1, Shved 0-1, Price 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Denver 53 (Hickson 13), Minnesota 52 (Tuttle, Love 11). Assists—Denver 19 (Hamilton 7), Minnesota 31 (Rubio 12). Total Fouls—Denver 25, Minnesota 20. A—12,139 (19,356).

KINGS 106, KNICKS 101

SACRAMENTO (106): Gay 9-22 0-2 20, Thompson 3-5 0-0 6, Cousins 7-13 5-5 19, Thomas 6-17 7-8 20, Thornton 1-4 0-0 3, Williams 5-8 4-4 14, McLemore 0-2 0-0 0, Acy 0-0 0-0 0, Landry 0-0 0-0 0. Fredette 9-14 0-0 24. Totals 40-85 16-19 106.

NEW YORK (101): Shumpert 3-7 0-0 8, Anthony 12-28 7-7 36, Chandler 8-12 1-2 17, Felton 3-11 2-4 8, Prigioni 2-3 0-0 5, Stoudemire 10-15 0-0 20, Hardaway Jr. 3-12 0-1 7, Tyler 0-1 0-0 0, Murry 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 41-90 10-14 101.

Sacramento	22	26	24	21 13— 106
New York	33	21	20	19 8— 101

3-Point Goals—Sacramento 10-23 (Fredette 6-8, Gay 2-6, Thornton 1-2, Thomas 1-4, McLemore 0-1, Williams 0-2), New York 9-24 (Anthony 5-11, Shumpert 2-4, Prigioni 1-1, Hardaway Jr. 1-6, Felton 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Sacramento 47 (Cousins 14), New York 54 (Chandler, Anthony 11). Assists—Sacramento 16 (Thomas 7), New York 27 (Felton 12). Total Fouls—Sacramento 18, New York 21. A—19,812 (19,763).

PELICANS 102, BUCKS 98

NEW ORLEANS (102): Aminu 5-7 0-0 10, Davis 5-10 2-2 12, Ajinca 7-17 2-2 16, Roberts 6-14 3-3 17, Gordon 7-13 5-6 21, Babbitt 4-8 0-0 10, Stiemsma 1-1 0-0 2, Evans 5-11 2-4 12, Morrow 1-4 0-0 2. Rivers 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 41-79 14-17 102.

MILWAUKEE (98): Middleton 5-9 0-0 11, Ilyasova 5-13 5-8 16, Pachulia 3-11 2-2 8, Knight 8-17 5-6 22, Wolters 6-11 0-0 14, Radmanovic 3-4 0-0 6, Antetokounmpo 1-3 1-2 3, Neal 6-12 1-1 18. Totals 39-80 14-19 98.

New Orleans	25	21	37	19 — 102
Milwaukee	19	30	27	22 — 98

3-Point Goals—New Orleans 6-13 (Roberts 2-2, Babbitt 2-5, Gordon 2-5, Morrow 0-1), Milwaukee 6-16 (Wolters 2-3, Ilyasova 1-1, Middleton 1-2, Neal 1-4, Knight 1-6). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Orleans 42 (Ajinca 9), Milwaukee 45 (Ilyasova 9). Assists—New Orleans 23 (Gordon 6), Milwaukee 28 (Knight 9). Total Fouls—New Orleans 19, Milwaukee 16. Technicals—Stiemsma. A—11,912 (18,717).

THURSDAY PRIME TIME — FEBRUARY 13, 2014

For complete information please check movie listings.

						6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Taste "Good With Beer" (N)			Scandal "YOLO"		KMID News	(:35) J. Kimmel	Kevin Hart, Alex Pettyfer	(:35) News Highstine
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	Big Bang Theory	The Millers	The Crazy Ones	Two and Half Men	Elementary "Ancient History"		CBS 7 News	(:35) David	Letterman	(:35) Late Late (N)
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Girls "The Soup"	The Originals "The Casket Girls"	Arrow "The Scientist"			Tales of Engagn.	Seth "The Raincoats"	Commu-nity	Commu-nity	"70s "The Key"	"70s "The Drive-In"
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Am. Idol "Hollywood Round" (N)		Raze "Cannibal" (N)	Modern Family	Modern Family	The Arsenio Hall Show		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
	KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Dr. Rik Wadge	Zola Levitt Ministries	Update News	Fruits of Zion	Light of the Southwest			Joe McGee	Matt Staver	Called Out	Biblical Israel
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 at 6 p.m.		Sochi 2014 Winter Olympics						News-West 9	(:06) Sochi 2014 Winter Olympics	
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Parks and Wildlife	Sg. Mile "Austin"	Chasing Shackleton		Antique "Detroit, MI (Hour Two)" (N)	Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Mentir Para Vivir		Por Siempre Mi Amor		Lo Que La Vida Me Robo		Que Pobres Tan Ricos	Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Una familia con suerte	
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Fam.Feud	Million..	House		House "Wilson"		My News	Million..	30 Rock	Sunny	Access H.
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	65		165		(4:45)	Ed Wood	★★★ All the Way				(:40)	★★ Velvet Goldmine		(:40)	★★ Wonderful
	HBO	300	68	14	14		(5:30)	The Return	Girls	Looking	★★ 42 ('13, Bio) Chadwick Boseman.				(:15) Real Sex		True Detective
	HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(5:15)	★★★★ Les Misérables			Looking	Veep	★★ Mission: Impossible			(:50)	Behind the Candelabra
	HBOS	304	70	16	102		(5:00)	The Debt	The Sopranos		Bill Maher		True Detective		★ The Man With the Iron Fists		Movie
	MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:50)	Transit James Caviezel.		(:20)	★ Ace Ventura: When Na...		★★ Ted ('12, Com)	Mark Wahlberg.		JumpOff	Movie
	MAX2	382	72	18	122		(:15)	Mama Jessica Chastain.	Movie		★ Trance ('13, Myst)	Vincent Cassel, Rosario Dawson, James McAvoy.				(:20)	Summer of...
	PLEX			96			(:10)	★★ Wanda Nevada Peter Fonda.			★★★ Stepmom ('98, Dra)	Julia Roberts.		(:10)	★★ Kids in America		Movie
	SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	L.Cooke	★ Byzantium ('12, Hor)	Sookie Ronan.		★ Butcher Boys	Ali Faulkner.		Gigolos	★		★ Halloween: Resurrection
	TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:00)	Do the Rig...	★ Lawless ('12, Cri)	Shia LaBeouf, Tom Hardy.		★★★ Killing Them Softly			(:40)	★★ Original Sin	
CABLE	A&E*	27	32	28	35	47	Crazy "Some Broken Hearts Never Mend"		Crazy Hearts "All Trucked Up"		Crazy Hearts "Friends Without Benefits"		Crazy Hearts "The Rewind" (N)		Crazy "Some Broken Hearts Never Mend"		Crazy Hearts "All Trucked Up"
	AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(4:00)	★ The Shawsh...	★★★ The Green Mile ('99, Drama)		David Morse, Bonnie Hunt, Tom Hanks.						★ A Perfect Getaw...
	BET	58	26		40		★★★ Eve's Bayou	('97, Dra)	Dishann Carroll, Samuel L. Jackson.				Scandal "Icarus"		Scandal		Wendy Williams
	BRAVO	65	63		41		Millionaire		Millionaire		Millionaire		Millionaire		Watch (N)	Vanderpump Rules	Housewives
	CNBC	46	45		39	72	(4:00)	Sochi 2014	Greed "Funny Money"		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed
	CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Live		AC360 Later		OutFront		Piers Morgan Live
	DISC	50	20	31	24	42	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced
	DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	GoodLuck	GoodLuck	★★★ Enchanted		Jake Andrews.		Jessie	Gravity	Austin	Dog Blog	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
	ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	NCAA Basketball								SportsCenter		SportsCenter
	ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	NCAA Basketball (L)				NCAA Basketball (L)				Olbermann (L)		Olbermann
	FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	★ A Cinderella Story: Once Upon a Song				★★★ Another Cinderella Story				The 700 Club		Fresh P.	Fresh P.
	FNC	45	58	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File
	FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Donut	Donut	Chopped		Chopped Canada (N)		Cutthroat Kitchen		Diners...	Diners...	Chopped Canada
	FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	NCAA Basketball Mississippi State (Ole Miss) vs. Kentucky (L)				NCAA Basketball Charlotte vs. Louisiana Tech Women's (L)				Stars Insider	SportsDay Online	NBA All-Star	Icons "Best of"
	FX	31	31	59	64	69	2½Men	Two 1/2...	★★★★ Crazy, Stupid, Love.						★★★★ Crazy, Stupid, Love.		Steve Carell.
	HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Waltons	"The Pearls"	The Waltons		The Waltons		Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	G. Girls	G. Girls
	HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	House	HouseH	Rehab	Rehab	Rehab (N)	Rehab (N)	HouseH	House (N)	HouseH	House	Rehab	Rehab
	HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Pawn (N)	Appalachian Out.		Curse/Oak Island (N)		Pwn Star	Pwn Star
	LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Under the Gunn "Red Carpet Showdown"		Project Runway: Under the Gunn		Project Runway: Under the Gunn (N)		Kim of Queens		Dance Moms		Project Runway: Under the Gunn
	MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow
	NBCSN	38	39				NCAA Basketball Drexel vs Charleston (L)				Daytona Special		The List	The List	The List	The List	Daytona Special
	NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Rugrats in Paris: The Movie		Sponge		F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
	SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Impact Wrestling				Cops	Cops	Jail	Jail
	SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	★★ American Horror House				★★ The Mothman Prophecies		Richard Gere.				★ Mothman Jewel State.	
	TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Sein. "The Statue"	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	KingNerd "Ready, Set, Robot Dodgeball" (N)		Conan (N)		Pete Holmes	Conan
	TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(4:30)	Victor, Vict...	★★★ My Sister Eileen		Rosalind Russell.		★★★ Mrs. Miniver ('42, War)		Greer Garson.			Movie
	TELE	20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		La impostora		La Reina Del Sur		Santa Diabla		Al rojo	(:35) Titular.	La Reina Del Sur	
	TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Honey Boo Boo	Honey Boo Boo	Honey Boo (N)	Honey Boo (N)	Honey Boo (N)	Honey Boo Boo	Myrtle Manor "Peggy Get Your Gun" (N)		Honey Boo Boo	Honey Boo Boo	Myrtle Manor "Peggy Get Your Gun"	
	TNT	24	23	40	26	50	NBA Tip-Off (L)		NBA Basketball Brooklyn Nets vs. Chicago Bulls United Center -- Chicago, Ill. (L)				NBA Basketball Oklahoma City Thunder vs. Los Angeles Lakers Site: Staples Center -- Los Angeles, Calif. (L)				
	TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Gilligan	Gilligan	Gilligan	Gilligan	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens
	USA	26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Rage"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Quarry"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Game"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Ghost"		NCIS: Los Angeles "Identity"		NCIS: LA "The Only Easy Day Is Yesterday"	
	WGN	19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Parks and Rec	Parks and Rec

Yankees star Jeter to retire after 2014 season

Associated Press

NEW YORK — To Derek Jeter, it was just another day to get ready for spring training.

On a minor league field at the New York Yankees' complex in Florida, he took batting practice, fielded grounders and chatted with teammates. And then he drove away in his Mercedes, offering no hint that the countdown to his retirement had already begun.

Hours later, Jeter alerted the sports world: This will be his final season.

"I know it in my heart. The 2014 season will be my last year playing professional baseball," Jeter posted Wednesday in a long letter on his Facebook page.

"I have gotten the very most out of my life playing baseball, and I have absolutely no regrets," the shortstop wrote.

While it was no secret the team captain was getting close to the end of his brilliant career as he neared 40 — especially after injuries wrecked him last season — Jeter's announcement caught many by surprise.

In fact, some people wondered whether his account had been hacked. But it was quickly confirmed that one of the greatest players in the history of baseball's most storied franchise was serious.

A 13-time All-Star shortstop who led the Yankees to five World Series championships, Jeter was the last link to the powerful Yankees teams that won three straight crowns from 1998-2000. Longtime teammates Mariano Rivera and Andy Pettitte retired after last year.

"Derek Jeter is Mr. Yankee of his era," Yankees co-chairman Hank Steinbrenner told The Associated Press. "He was the face of one of the greatest teams ever."

Jeter was limited to 17 games last season while trying to recover from a broken left ankle sustained during the 2012 playoffs. He hit only .190 with one homer and seven RBIs.

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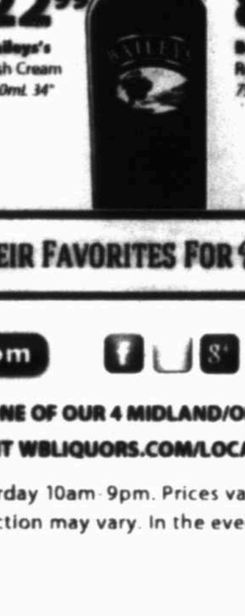

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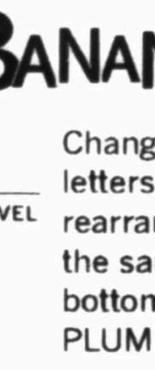

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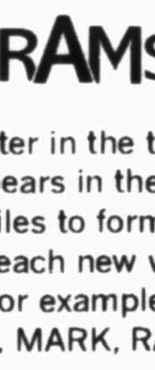

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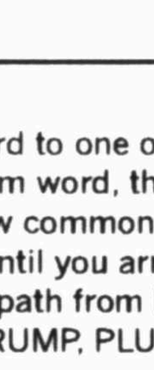

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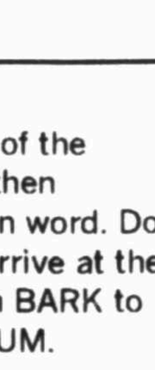

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WINTER OLYMPICS

Today's Schedule
Subject to change
Alpine Skiing
Men's Super Combined (downhill), 10 p.m.
Biathlon
Men's 20km Individual, 6 a.m.
Cross-Country Skiing
Women's 10km classic, 1 a.m.
Curling
Women
Japan vs. Russia, 1 a.m.
United States vs. China, 1 a.m.
South Korea vs. Sweden, 1 a.m.
Canada vs. Britain, 1 a.m.
Men
Germany vs. China, 6 a.m.
Switzerland vs. Britain, 6 a.m.
Russia vs. Canada, 6 a.m.
Denmark vs. Sweden, 6 a.m.
Women
Canada vs. Denmark, 6 p.m.
China vs. Britain, 6 p.m.
Switzerland vs. Sweden, 8 p.m.
Figure Skating
Pairs free program, 6:45 a.m.
Freestyle Skiing
Men's Slopestyle Qualification, 9:15 p.m.
Ice Hockey
Men
Group C: Czech Republic vs. Sweden, 8 a.m.; Group C: Latvia vs. Switzerland, 8 a.m.
Women
Group A: Switzerland vs. Finland, 12 p.m.
Group A: Canada vs. United States, 3:30 a.m.
Luge
Men's Doubles (Run 1), 5:15 a.m.
Men's Doubles (Run 2), 6:45 a.m.
Nordic Combined
Men's Individual Jump (normal hill), 12:30 a.m.
Men's Individual 10km, 3:30 a.m.
Skeleton
Women's (Run 1), 10:30 p.m.
Snowboard
Women's Halfpipe Quarterfinals, 1 a.m.
Women's Halfpipe Semifinals, 6 a.m.
Women's Halfpipe Finals, 8:30 a.m.
Speedskating
Men's 1000, 5 a.m.

Today's TV Schedule
All events taped unless noted as Live
NBC
2 p.m. — Men's Biathlon - 20km Individual
Gold Medal Final; Luge - Team Relay Gold Medal Final Runs
7 p.m. — Men's Figure Skating - Short Program; Men's Freestyle Skiing - Slopestyle Gold Medal Final; Women's Speedskating - 1000 Gold Medal Final; Women's Skeleton - Competition
11:05 p.m. — Women's Short Track - 500 Gold Medal Final; Men's Short Track - 5000 Relay Competition
NBCSN
6:30 a.m. — Men's Hockey - Slovakia vs. United States (LIVE)
9 a.m. — Men's Figure Skating - Short Program Part 1 (LIVE)
10:45 a.m. — Men's Figure Skating - Short Program Part 2 (LIVE)
4 p.m. — Game of the Day: Hockey
2 a.m. — Men's Curling - United States vs. Germany
4 a.m. — Men's Cross-Country - 15km Classical Gold Medal Final (LIVE)
MSNBC
6:30 a.m. — Men's Hockey - Russia vs. Slovenia (LIVE)
9 a.m. — Men's Curling - Canada vs. Denmark
11 a.m. — Women's Hockey - Sweden vs. Russia (LIVE)
2 a.m. — Men's Hockey - Czech Republic vs. Latvia (LIVE)
CNBC
4 p.m. — Women's Curling - United States vs. Japan
USA
11 a.m. — Men's Hockey - Canada vs. Norway (LIVE)
4 a.m. — Women's Curling - United States vs. Denmark (LIVE)

Wednesday's Medalists
ALPINE SKIING
Women
Downhill
GOLD — Tina Maze, Slovenia, and Dominique Gisin, Switzerland
BRONZE — Lara Gut, Switzerland
FIGURE SKATING
Pairs
GOLD — Tatiana Volosozhar and Maxim Trankov, Russia
SILVER — Ksenia Stolbova and Fedor Klimov, Russia
BRONZE — Aliona Savchenko and Robin Szolkowy, Germany
LUGE
Men
Doubles
GOLD — Germany (Tobias Wendl, Tobias Arlt)
SILVER — Austria (Andreas Linger, Wolfgang Linger)
BRONZE — Latvia (Andris Sics, Juris Sics)
NORDIC COMBINED
Individual (Normal Hill)
GOLD — Eric Frenzel, Germany
SILVER — Akito Watabe, Japan
BRONZE — Magnus Krog, Norway
SNOWBOARD
Women
Halfpipe
GOLD — Kaitlyn Farrington, United States
SILVER — Torah Bright, Australia
BRONZE — Kelly Clark, United States
SPEEDSKATING
Men
1000
GOLD — Stefan Groothuis, Netherlands
SILVER — Denny Morrison, Canada
BRONZE — Michel Mulder, Netherlands

Wednesday's U.S. Olympians Fared
ALPINE SKIING
Women's Downhill
(Start position in parentheses)
8. (12) Julia Mancuso, Squaw Valley, Calif., 1:42.56.
11. (7) Laureene Ross, Bend, Ore., 1:42.68.
17. (10) Stacey Cook, Mammoth, Calif., 1:43.05.
26. (2) Jacqueline Wiles, Aurora, Ore., 1:44.35.
FIGURE SKATING
Pairs
(Short and free programs in parentheses)
9. Marissa Castelli, Cranston, R.I., and Simon Shnapir, Sudbury, Mass., (9, 67.44, 9, 120.38), 187.82.
12. Felicia Zhang, Plainsboro, N.J., and Nathan Bartholomay, Newtown, Pa., (14, 56.90, 12, 110.31), 167.21.
LUGE
Men's Doubles
11. United States 2 (Christian Niccum, Woodinville, Wash., Jayson Terdiman, Berwick, Pa.), 1:40.945.
14. United States 1 (Matt Mortensen, Huntington Station, N.Y., Preston Griffall, Salt Lake City), 1:41.703.
NORDIC COMBINED
Individual (Normal Hill)
(Jump and 10km race in parentheses)
24. Billy Demong, Vermontville, N.Y., (31, 108.2, +1:33.21, 24:06.8, +1:19.3), 25:39.8, +1:49.6.
26. Bryan Fletcher, Steamboat Springs, Colo., (41, 105.6, +1:44.19, 24:01.7, +1:14.2), 25:45.7, +1:55.5.
33. Taylor Fletcher, Steamboat Springs, Colo., (46, 90.9, +2:34.11, 23:48.9, +1:01.4), 26:22.9, +2:32.7.
NR. Todd Lodwick, Steamboat Springs, Colo., DNS.

SNOWBOARD
Women's Halfpipe
Final
Run 1
1. (9) Hannah Teter, South Lake Tahoe, Calif., 90.50.
2. (6) Kaitlyn Farrington, Sun Valley, Idaho, 85.75.
10. (12) Kelly Clark, West Dover, Vt., 48.25.
Run 2
1. (6) Kaitlyn Farrington, Sun Valley, Idaho, (85.75, 91.75), 91.75.
3. (12) Kelly Clark, West Dover, Vt., (48.25, 90.75), 90.75.
9. (9) Hannah Teter, South Lake Tahoe, Calif., (90.50, 26.75), 26.75.
Final Ranking
1. Kaitlyn Farrington, Sun Valley, Idaho, (85.75, 91.75), 91.75. — GOLD.
3. Kelly Clark, West Dover, Vt., (48.25, 90.75), 90.75.
4. Hannah Teter, South Lake Tahoe, Calif., (90.50, 26.75), 90.50. — BRONZE.
SPEEDSKATING
Men's 1000
8. Shani Davis, Chicago, 1:09.12.
9. Brian Hansen, Glenview, Ill., 1:09.21.
15. Joey Mantia, Ocala, Fla., 1:09.72.
28. Jonathan Garcia, Houston, 1:10.74.

Women's Olympics Hockey
Preliminary Round
Group A

	W	L	OTW	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Canada	3	0	0	0	9	11	2
United States	2	1	0	0	6	14	4
Finland	0	2	1	0	2	5	9
Switzerland	0	2	0	1	1	3	18

Group B

	W	L	OTW	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Sweden	2	0	0	0	6	5	0
Russia	2	0	0	0	6	6	2
Japan	0	2	0	0	0	1	3
Germany	0	2	0	0	0	1	9

Saturday
Group A: United States 3, Finland 1
Group A: Canada 5, Switzerland 0
Sunday
Group B: Sweden 1, Japan 0
Group B: Russia 4, Germany 1
Monday
Group A: United States 9, Switzerland 0
Group A: Canada 3, Finland 0
Tuesday
Group B: Sweden 4, Germany 0
Group B: Russia 2, Japan 1
Wednesday
Group A: Finland 4, Switzerland 3, OT
Group A: Canada 3, United States 2
Today
Group B: Japan vs. Germany, 7 a.m.
Group B: Sweden vs. Russia, 4 p.m.

Men's Olympics Hockey
Preliminary Glance
Preliminary Round
Group A

	W	L	OTW	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Russia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Slovakia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Slovenia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
United States	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Group B

	W	L	OTW	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Austria	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Canada	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Finland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Norway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Group C

	W	L	OTW	OTL	Pts	GF	GA
Sweden	1	0	0	0	3	4	2
Switzerland	1	0	0	0	3	1	0
Latvia	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Czech Republic	0	1	0	0	0	2	4

Wednesday
Group C: Sweden 4, Czech Republic 2
Group C: Switzerland 1, Latvia 0
Thursday
Group B: Finland vs. Austria, 2 a.m.
Group A: Russia vs. Slovenia, 6:30 a.m.
Group A: Slovakia vs. United States, 6:30 a.m.
Group B: Canada vs. Norway, 11 a.m.
Friday
Group C: Czech Republic vs. Latvia, 2 a.m.
Group C: Sweden vs. Switzerland, 6:30 a.m.
Group B: Canada vs. Austria, 11 a.m.
Group B: Norway vs. Finland, 11 a.m.
Saturday
Group A: Slovakia vs. Sweden, 2 a.m.
Group A: United States vs. Russia, 6:30 a.m.
Group C: Switzerland vs. Czech Republic, 11 a.m.
Group C: Sweden vs. Latvia, 11 a.m.
Sunday
Group B: Austria vs. Norway, 2 a.m.
Group A: Russia vs. Slovakia, 6:30 a.m.
Group A: Slovenia vs. United States, 6:30 a.m.
Group B: Finland vs. Canada, 11 a.m.

SOCHI 2014 OLYMPICS

Medal count

COUNTRY	G	S	B	TOT
Norway	4	3	5	12
Canada	4	4	2	10
Netherlands	4	2	4	10
United States	3	1	5	9
Russia	2	4	3	9
Germany	8	1	1	8
Austria	1	4	0	5
Switzerland	3	0	1	4
Slovenia	1	1	2	4
Sweden	0	3	1	4
France	1	0	2	3
Czech Republic	0	2	1	3
Japan	0	2	1	3
Italy	0	1	1	2
Belarus	1	0	0	1
Poland	1	0	0	1
Slovakia	1	0	0	1
South Korea	1	0	0	1
Australia	0	1	0	1
China	0	1	0	1
Finland	0	1	0	1
Britain	0	0	1	1
Latvia	0	0	1	1
Ukraine	0	0	1	1

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Maze, Gisin win gold in women's downhill

Associated Press

SOCHI, Russia — The gold market enjoyed big gains at the Sochi Olympics on Wednesday, getting an unexpected boost from the women's downhill.

Tina Maze of Slovenia and Dominique Gisin of Switzerland were declared co-gold medalists, the first time in Olympic Alpine history a race was won in a tie.

On a day that had little to do with winter — temperatures hit 63 degrees (17 C) — the two friends covered the 1.69-mile (2.7-kilometer) Rosa Khutor course in 1 minute, 41.57 seconds. A tearful Lara Gut of Switzerland won the bronze, 0.10 seconds back.

"I'm sure glad I'm going to share this gold with Tina," Gisin said.

The favorites, Maria Hoefl-Riesch of Germany and Julia Mancuso of the U.S., were afterthoughts. Hoefl-Riesch, eyeing a record-equaling fourth Olympic Alpine gold, finished 13th while Mancuso was eighth.

Five other sports awarded gold medals on Day 6 of the Olympics: figure skating pairs, luge, Nordic combined, snowboarding and speedskating.

Among the other gold medalists were speedskater Stefan Groothuis, who added to the mighty haul of the Dutch at the oval; Eric Frenzel of Germany, who has been the steadiest in Nordic combined the last two years; and Kaitlyn Farrington of the United States, who defeated defending champion Torah Bright in the women's halfpipe.

ALPINE SKIING: Gisin is becoming an old hand at these kinds of outcomes — two of her three downhill victories have been ties. She also is having a far better Olympics than the one in Vancouver, where she went tumbling and airborne in the downhill. This was Gisin's first major medal. Maze won two silvers in Vancouver, and was hardly troubled about splitting the pot of gold. "It's even more interesting because it's not a usual thing," said Maze, who started 30 minutes after Gisin. "It's something special."

FIGURE SKATING: Tatiana Volosozhar and Maxim Trankov maintained Russia's long tradition in pairs, winning gold in their home Olympics. Teammates Ksenia Stolbova and Fedor Klimov took silver. Russia or the Soviet Union had won gold in 12 straight Olympics in the event before the streak ended four years ago. "I think tonight all of the country will celebrate this beautiful victory," Trankov said.

SPEEDSKATING: The Dutch ruled at the oval again, with Groothuis taking the gold in the 1,000 meters and upsetting two-time Olympic champion Shani Davis of the U.S. Groothuis won in 1 minute, 8.39 seconds and was followed by Denny Morrison of Canada and 500 champion Michel Mulder of the Netherlands. The Dutch have won 10 of 15 medals through the first five events. Davis was eighth, denied in his bid to become the first man to win the same speedskating event at three straight Olympics.

SNOWBOARDING: Farrington posted a score of 91.75 during her second run, just good enough to beat Bright's 91.50. 2002 Olympic champion Kelly Clark took bronze to give the United States another medal.

MEN'S HOCKEY: Sweden showed off its deep offensive talent in its Olympic opener, getting two goals from Erik Karlsson and one from Henrik Zetterberg in a 4-2 win over the Czech Republic. Switzerland also won, but needed a late deflection to beat Latvia 1-0. The Swiss scored with 7.9 seconds left, and Simon Moser was credited with the goal that appeared to carom off a Latvian player in front of the net.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY: Canada defeated the U.S. in women's hockey 3-2 in a preview of the expected gold medal match. Meghan Agosta scored twice for Canada and assisted on Hayley Wickenheiser's goal. This was the fifth time these teams have met in the Olympics, but the first since women's hockey was added to the Winter Games in 1998 that they have played in the preliminary round. In the day's other game, Finland beat Switzerland 4-3.

NORDIC COMBINED: Frenzel, who served two years in the German army, won the individual normal hill. He led after ski jumping and powered home on the cross-country course. "I can't describe this feeling, it's so perfect," he said Frenzel, the runaway World Cup leader, was followed by Akito Watabe of Japan and Magnus Krog of Norway.

CURLING: China's curlers kept up their surprise run by beating Switzerland and Germany, leaving the team at the top of the standings with four straight wins. With Sweden (3-1) losing to Denmark 8-5 in the evening session, Norway (3-0) is the only other unbeaten team in the competition after defeating Germany 8-5 in the morning. On the women's side, undefeated Canada downed Britain 9-6 in a game that went down to the final stone and sent the U.S. to the edge of elimination. The Canadians joined Switzerland in first place at 3-0.

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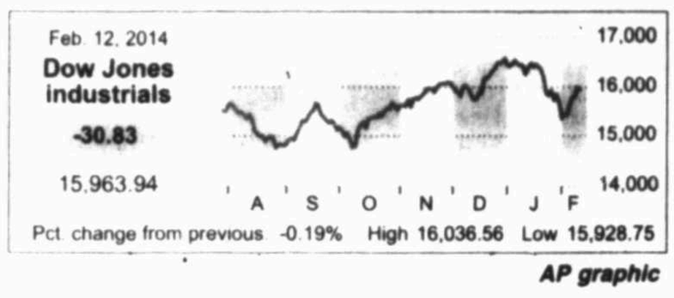

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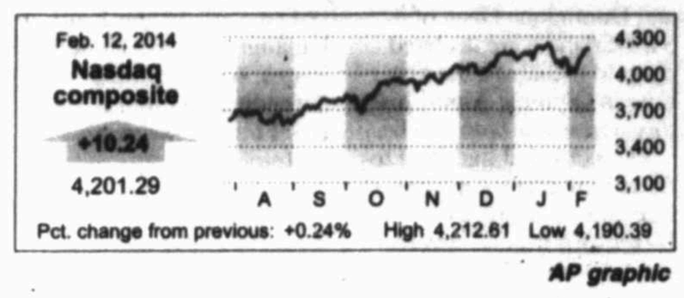

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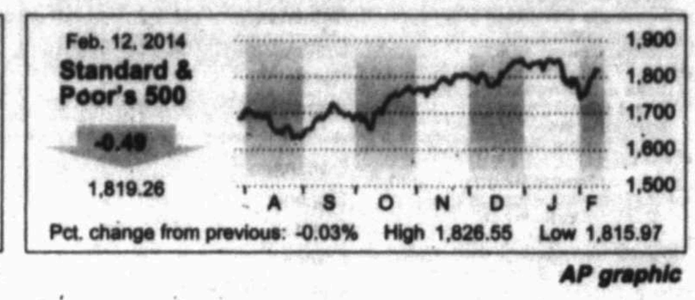

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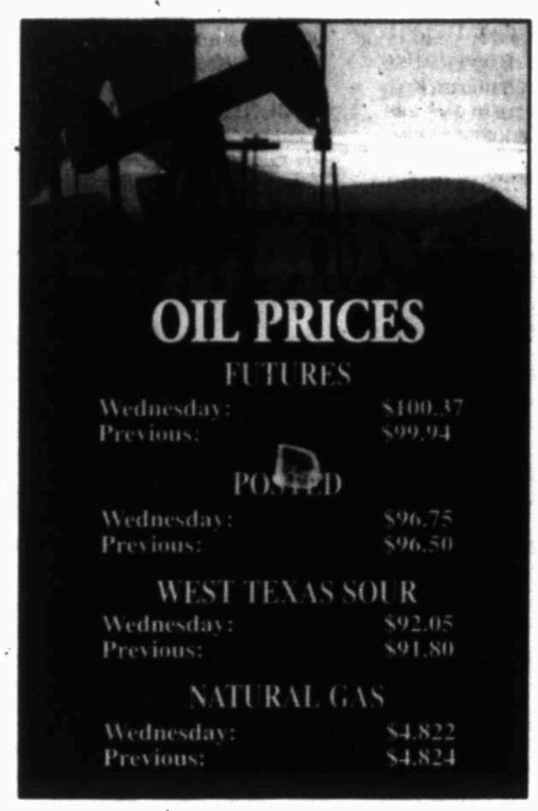

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	953013	16.75	-.13
S&P500ETF	875368	182.07	+.09
iShEMkts	660640	39.14	+.01
MktVGold	526983	24.77	-.88
SPDR Fncl	383691	21.53	

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
MarinSft n	11.25	+1.39	+14.1
DirGMBear	24.17	+2.67	+12.4
AMCOL	41.24	+4.52	+12.3
BBVABFrn	6.45	+.67	+11.6
PackAmer	72.06	+6.51	+9.9

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
imperHldg	5.40	-.75	-12.2
DirGMnBull	30.55	-4.22	-12.1
MidcstE n	19.90	-2.07	-9.4
Wellcare	56.64	-5.58	-9.0
DirGldBll rs	42.79	-4.12	-8.8

DIARY

Advanced	1,740
Declined	1,340
Unchanged	129
Total issues	3,209
New Highs	115
New Lows	20
Volume	3,243,641,303

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
InovioPhm	76694	2.63	-.24
AldtNevG	59455	5.08	-.05
CelSci rs	56930	1.18	-.12
NwGold g	39092	5.74	-.21
ChenereEn	35587	45.84	+.98

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
OrionEngy	5.71	+.60	+11.7
Metalico	2.07	+.18	+9.5
Medgen wt	3.80	+.25	+7.0
GTT Comm	10.57	+.67	+6.8
WirelessT	3.43	+.19	+5.9

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ContMatls	18.00	-2.30	-11.3
InovioPhm	2.63	-.24	-8.4
IncOpR	6.40	-.59	-8.4
Vicon	3.50	-.25	-6.7
Reeds	7.04	-.45	-6.0

DIARY

Advanced	187
Declined	209
Unchanged	29
Total issues	425
New Highs	6
New Lows	5
Volume	122,831,068

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Zynga	707108	4.80	-.17
Cisco	618087	22.85	-.14
Facebook	466520	64.45	.40
OceanPw h	312281	4.68	-1.15
PwShs QQQ	305273	88.97	+.17

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CombiM wt	11.16	+5.86	+110.6
LiveDeal s	7.88	+2.12	+36.7
OceanPw h	4.68	+1.15	+32.5
Senomyx	9.69	+1.94	+25.0
ChAdCns rs	8.00	+1.40	+21.2

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Oxigene	2.08	-.68	-24.6
JiveSoftw	7.20	-1.67	-18.8
GalenaBio	4.34	-.85	-16.4
MaysJ	38.11	-6.90	-15.3
ReachLoch	10.80	-1.88	-14.8

DIARY

Advanced	1,390
Declined	1,189
Unchanged	121
Total issues	2,700
New Highs	121
New Lows	17
Volume	1,985,881,875

Lexus tops 2014 vehicle dependability list

By Dee-Ann Durbin
Associated Press

DETROIT — The race to increase vehicle fuel economy is taking a toll on quality.

Owners of 3-year-old vehicles are reporting more problems than they did a year ago, according to J.D. Power and Associates' annual survey of vehicle dependability. It's the first time since 1998 that the average number of problems per vehicle has increased.

J.D. Power, a California-based ratings and consulting company, said engine issues accounted for most of the increase in problems reported by the original owners of cars and trucks from the 2011 model year. Owners reported an average of 133 problems per 100 vehicles, up from 126 problems a year ago. Only problems within the prior 12 months are counted.

Automakers are rapidly implementing new engine technology to save fuel, including direct fuel injection and turbocharging, stop-start systems that automatically shut cars down at traffic lights and transmissions with higher gears. But those more complex systems can cause problems. David Sargent, J.D. Power's vice president of global automotive, said the company saw an increase in complaints about engine hesitation, rough transmission shifts and lack of power.

"While striving to reduce fuel consumption, automakers must be careful not to compromise quality," Sargent said in a statement.

The scores could improve in coming years because since 2011, automakers have worked to make new transmissions shift more smoothly, they've refined clunky stop-start systems and improved other fuel-saving technologies.

Lexus, Mercedes-Benz and Cadillac had the vehicles with the fewest reported problems. Lexus had just 68 problems per 100 vehicles, the only brand with fewer than 100 problems.

General Motors Co. had the most winners in each segment, with eight, including the highest-ranked compact car, the Chevrolet Volt, and the highest-ranked pickup, the GMC Sierra. Toyota Motor Co. was second with seven segment winners, including the Toyota Camry minivan and Lexus ES luxury compact car.

Mini, Dodge and Land Rover had the most reported problems. Mini, the worst performer, had 185 problems per 100 vehicles.

The survey questioned 41,000 owners of 2011 model year vehicles between October and December of last year.

US stocks decline for the first time in five days

By Steve Rothwell
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Weak earnings from tobacco company Lorillard and household products maker Procter & Gamble helped end the stock market's longest winning streak of the year Wednesday.

Lorillard dropped after the maker of Newport cigarettes said its profit fell as higher costs offset an increase in revenue from both traditional and electronic cigarettes. Procter & Gamble fell after the company lowered its sales and earnings forecasts.

The losses were relatively small. Before Wednesday's drop, stocks had gained for the previous four days, mitigating some of the market's weakness in January caused by signs of slowing growth in China and doubts about how strong the U.S. economy was.

"At this point, boring is good," said Kate Warne, an investment strategist at Edward Jones, an investment adviser. "People are a bit tired of the ups and downs we've seen and a relatively flat day would be a sign of confidence," Warne said.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell half a point, less than 0.1 percent, to close at 1,819.26. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 30.83 points, or 0.2 percent, to 15,963.94. The Nasdaq composite rose 10.24 points, or 0.2 percent, to 4,201.29.

Makers of consumer staples, a category that includes everyday products like soap, diapers and cigarettes, fell the most of the 10 sectors in the S&P 500.

Lorillard had the biggest drop in the index. The stock lost $2.48, or 5 percent, to $47.47 after its earnings disappointed investors.

Procter & Gamble, the world's largest household products maker, fell $1.35, or 1.7 percent, to $77.49 after the company said it would take a hit because of declines in emerging market currencies against the dollar. Currencies in developing countries such as Turkey, South Africa and Argentina have slumped against the dollar this year.

Concerns about the outlook for emerging markets shook the stock market in January. Those losses continued as investors started to worry about the U.S. economy after some lackluster economics reports.

Oil back above $100

The price of oil rose above $100 a barrel Wednesday as OPEC predicted faster growth in oil demand this year and China reported record imports of crude oil. The gains were tempered by an increase in U.S. supplies.

Benchmark U.S. crude for March delivery rose 43 cents to $100.37 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Oil rose as high as $101.38 in morning trading.

Oil prices were boosted by data showing that China's imports of crude rose to 6.6 million barrels a day in January, up nearly 12 percent from the same month last year and the highest figure on record. Meanwhile, the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries said global oil consumption should rise by 1.09 million barrels a day.

Metals end mostly higher

Metals futures rose Wednesday, led by palladium, platinum and copper. Beans and grains fell slightly and crude oil futures hovered around $100 a barrel.

The actively traded March contract for palladium, an industrial metal whose uses include making catalytic converters for cars, rose $12.70, or 1.8 percent, to settle at $729.05 an ounce.

Platinum for delivery in April increased $19.50, or 1.4 percent, to $1,407.30 an ounce. March copper rose 4 cents, or 1.3 percent, to $3.26 a pound.

April gold edged up $5.20 to $1,295 an ounce. Silver for March delivery increased 19 cents to $20.34 an ounce.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $86.84 Up 3.63

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $110.22 Up 1.76

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $29.75 Down 2.09

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $57.97 Down 0.94

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $26.95 Down 0.25

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $7.20 Up 0.09

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $29.63 Up 0.71

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $13.34 Down 0.08

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.84f	10	32.94	.01	-6.3
Abraxas	...	**38**	**3.41**	**+.06**	**+4.6**
AdamsEx	**.84e**	...	**12.62**	**+.01**	**-3.4**
AMD			3.69	.01	-4.7
Alcoa	12	34	11.27	.06	+6.0
AlonUSA	24a	17	14.22	+.19	-14.0
AlphaNRs			5.06	.20	-29.1
ARltCapPr	1.00f		19.57	.21	+5.6
Amgen	**2.44f**	**18**	**122.21**	**+.97**	**+7.1**
Anadarko	**.72**	**52**	**81.69**	**-.32**	**+3.0**
Apache	**1.00f**	**12**	**81.28**	**-.10**	**-5.4**
ApldMatl	**.40**	**85**	**17.91**	**+.13**	**+1.3**
AriadP			8.33	+.17	+22.1
ATMOS	**1.48**	**17**	**45.08**	**-.39**	**-.7**
AutoData	1.92	26	75.58	+.92	-6.5
BP PLC	**2.28**	**11**	**48.38**	**+.34**	**-.5**
BabsCCInv	1.20		15.80		+5.8
BakrHu	.60	24	59.69	-.80	+8.0
BkofAm	.04	17	16.75	-.13	+7.6
B rPVix rs			42.90	-.91	+.8
BarrickG	.20		18.97	-.60	+7.6
BasicEnSv			18.93	-.53	+20.0
BerkHa A	...	**1617014**	**0.00**	**-375.00**	**-4.4**
BlkHillsCp	**1.56f**	**24**	**54.23**	**-.53**	**+3.3**
BrMySq	**1.44f**	**34**	**52.85**	**+.23**	**-.5**
BrownFA	**1.16**	**29**	**78.19**	**-.20**	**+6.0**
BrownFB	**1.16**	**28**	**79.95**	**+.52**	**+5.8**
CVS Care	1.10f	18	68.54	-.23	-4.2
CadencePh			13.98	-.02	+54.5
Cameron		21	59.83	+.23	+.5
Caterpillar	2.40	17	96.17	+1.21	+5.9
Celestic g		17	9.43	+.05	-9.3
CntryLink	2.16	...	30.19	+.46	-5.2
ChesEng	.35	19	24.75	-.07	-8.8
Chevron	**4.00**	**10**	**112.03**	**-.55**	**-10.3**
Chicos	.30f	17	16.97	-.15	-9.9
Cimarex	.56	24	108.46	+1.85	+3.4
Cisco	.68	12	22.85	+.14	+2.7
Citigroup	.04	11	49.96	+.30	-4.1
ClayEng	...	...	**86.84**	**+3.63**	**+6.0**
CliffsNRs	.60	...	21.99	+.49	-16.1
CocaCola	**1.12**	**20**	**38.51**	**-.13**	**-8.8**
ColgPalm	**1.36**	**26**	**61.92**	**-.48**	**-5.0**
ConAgra	**1.00**	**15**	**28.97**	**-.11**	**-14.0**

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
ConchoRes	...	**52**	**110.22**	**+1.76**	**+2.1**
ConocoPhil	**2.76**	**10**	**65.22**	**-.35**	**-7.7**
CrackerB	3.00	19	97.81	-1.13	-11.1
CSVInvNG			4.04	+.18	-54.3
CSVelIVST			32.12	+.65	-6.6
CrosTim	**2.40e**	**13**	**30.00**	**-.43**	**+2.0**
DCP Mid	2.93f	22	49.51	-.12	-1.7
DTE	2.62	19	68.90	-.20	+3.8
Datarm rs			2.60		-5.0
Dawson	**.32**	**23**	**29.75**	**-2.01**	**-12.0**
DenburyR	.25	14	16.35	+.06	-.5
DevonE	**.88**	...	**61.18**	**-.36**	**-1.1**
Disney	**.86f**	**21**	**77.91**	**+.12**	**+2.0**
DowChm	**1.48f**	**13**	**46.37**	**-.47**	**+4.4**
EMC Cp	40	19	25.09	+.11	-.2
EOG Res	**.75**	**43**	**175.11**	**+.38**	**+4.3**
EmpDist	**1.02**	**16**	**23.01**	**-.06**	**+1.4**
Energen	.60f	28	73.93	+.84	+4.5
EngyTsfr	3.68f	10	54.19	+.03	-5.3
EnPro	...	**50**	**71.30**	**-.57**	**+23.7**
EntPrPt	2.80f	24	66.80	-.10	+.8
Ericsson	.43e		12.54	-.13	+2.5
ExterranH	...	**25**	**35.22**	**-.08**	**+3.0**
ExxonMbl	**2.52**	**10**	**91.08**	**+.24**	**-10.0**
Facebook			64.45	-.40	+17.9
FordM	.50f	11	15.00	+.04	-2.8
ForestOil		11	3.06	+.12	-15.2
Freescale			20.50	+1.75	+27.7
GATX	**1.32f**	**16**	**58.09**	**+.18**	**+11.3**
GabMultT	**.80**	...	**11.44**	**+.16**	**-7.8**
GalenaBio		...	4.34	-.85	-12.5
GAInv	**2.10e**	...	**33.93**	**+.10**	**-3.6**
GenElec	**.88**	**17**	**25.39**	**-.04**	**-8.4**
GenMotors	1.20	15	35.56	+.31	-13.0
GtPlainEn	**.92**	**16**	**24.98**	**-.06**	**+3.1**
Groupon		...	10.49	+.09	-10.8
HalconRes		19	3.69	+.02	-4.4
Halliburtn	**.60f**	**18**	**53.12**	**-.72**	**+4.7**
iShBrazil	1.44e	...	40.02	-.73	-10.4
iShJapan	.13e	...	11.53	-.02	-5.0
iShChinaLC	1.02e	...	35.38	-.02	-7.8
iShEMkts	.86e	...	39.14	+.01	-6.4
iS Eafe	1.70e	...	66.04	+.11	-1.6
iShR2K	1.41e	...	112.47	+.44	-2.5

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
IntegrysE	2.72	15	54.55	-.06	+.3
Intel	**.90**	**13**	**24.55**	**+.06**	**-5.4**
InterDig	40	30	28.05	+.41	-4.9
JPMorgCh	1.52	13	57.52	+.09	-1.0
JohnJn	**2.64**	**19**	**92.42**	**-.55**	**+.9**
KimbClk	**3.24**	**19**	**107.96**	**-.63**	**+3.4**
KindME	5.44f	29	79.97	-.72	-.9
KindMM	5.44f	49	76.31	-.58	+.9
Kinross g			5.15	-.22	+17.6
LegacyRes	2.36f		26.95	-.25	-4.3
Lorillard	2.20	14	47.47	-2.48	-6.3
Lubys	...	**44**	**6.18**	**-.02**	**-19.9**
MktVGold	.19e		24.77	-.88	+17.2
McDnlds	3.24	17	94.89	-.45	-2.2
Merck	1.76f	38	55.00	-.70	+9.9
MeritMed	...	**59**	**14.73**	**+.22**	**-6.4**
MexcoEn			7.20	+.09	+4.3
MicronT		16	24.89	+.18	+14.4
Microsoft	1.12	14	37.47	+.29	+.2
Nabors	.16	42	17.98	-.32	+5.8
NatGrid	**3.17e**	...	**66.86**	**+.03**	**+2.4**
NOilVarco	1.04	14	76.02	+.42	-4.4
NewmtM	.80m		22.51	-.39	-2.3
NokiaCp			7.15	-.24	-11.8
NvMAd	**.80a**	...	**12.84**	...	**+5.6**
NvPMI	**.86**	...	**13.18**	**-.02**	**+6.5**
NuvPI	**.86**	...	**13.11**	**+.04**	**+6.3**
NSTFI3	**.63a**	...	**13.50**	**-.02**	**+4.8**
NTXQI	**.70a**	...	**13.30**	**-.07**	**+3.5**
Nvidia	.34f	22	16.83	+.58	+5.1
OccidPet	**2.56**	**13**	**92.19**	**+.59**	**-3.1**
OceanPw h			4.68	+1.15	+143.8
Oracle	.48	16	38.07	+.23	-.5
ParTech	...	...	**5.05**	**-.14**	**-7.3**
ParkDrl	...	...	**7.02**	**-.08**	**-13.7**
PattUTI	**.40f**	**22**	**28.22**	**-.10**	**+11.5**
Penney			5.96	-.03	-34.9
PennaRE	**.80f**	...	**18.77**	**-.25**	**-1.1**
Prmian	.87e	15	12.40	+.09	-3.6
Petrobras	.27e	...	11.46	-.20	-16.8
Pfizer	**1.04f**	**16**	**31.61**	**-.27**	**+3.2**
PioNtrl	.08	...	180.17	-.49	-2.1
PlainsAAP	**2.46f**	**18**	**53.32**	**+.08**	**+3.0**
PlugPowr h		...	3.74	+.23	+141.3
PwShs QQQ	.88e	...	88.97	+.17	+1.1

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
Praxair	**2.60f**	**22**	**128.08**	**-.35**	**-1.5**
PrmEgy	...	**11**	**52.59**	**+1.78**	**+4.1**
ProctGam	**2.41**	**21**	**77.49**	**-1.35**	**-4.8**
Rackspace		52	31.49	-1.16	-19.5
RangeRs	16	99	84.53	-.36	+.3
RiteAid			5.81	+.06	+14.8
Rowan		15	32.09	-.31	-9.2
RoyDShllA	3.60	9	70.23	+.43	-1.5
SpdrDJIA	3.52e		159.71	-.05	-3.5
S&P500ETF	3.35e		182.07	+.09	-1.4
SabnR	3.95e	13	51.40	+.25	+1.7
SanderFm	**.80**	**13**	**71.97**	**-.03**	**-.5**
SandRdge	...	...	**6.15**	**+.04**	**+1.3**
Saplent	...	**29**	**15.73**	**+.12**	**-9.4**
Schlmbrg	1.60f	18	90.03	-.34	-.1
SigmaAld	**.92f**	**24**	**95.21**	**+.61**	**+1.3**
SiriusXM		59	3.56	-.01	+2.0
Smucker	2.32	18	93.71	+.26	-9.6
Sprint n			8.07	+.17	-24.9
SPDR Fncl	.32e		21.53		-1.5
SunocoLog	2.65f	22	81.16	+.44	+7.5
TelefEsp	**.47e**	...	**15.32**	**-.13**	**-6.2**
Tesoro	1.00	15	48.47	-.31	-17.1
3M Co	3.42f	19	130.44	+.32	-7.0
Torchmark	**.68**	**13**	**75.28**	**-.24**	**-3.7**
TriContl	**.68e**	...	**19.48**	...	**-2.5**

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
21stCFoxA	.25		32.57	+.42	-7.4
Twitter n			56.85	+2.85	-10.7
TylerTech	...	**81**	**91.94**	**+1.89**	**-10.0**
UBWV	**1.28f**	**17**	**29.64**	**-.17**	**-5.8**
US NGas			23.75	-.41	+14.8
Vale SA	78e		14.20	-.27	-6.9
ValeroE	1.00f	9	47.64	-.18	-5.5
VangEmg	1.15e	...	38.59	-.06	-6.2
VentrusBio			1.62	-2.76	-57.6
VerizonCm	2.12	12	47.37	+.16	-3.6
VulcanM	**.04**	...	**65.38**	**-.16**	**+10.0**
Walgrn	**1.26**	**23**	**65.42**	**+1.22**	**+13.9**
Weathfintl		...	14.44	+.54	-6.8
WellsFargo	1.20	12	45.99	+.02	+1.3
Wendys Co	.20	93	9.25	+.10	+6.1
WstnRefin	1.04f	8	38.07	+.64	-10.2
WstnUnion	.50	11	16.34	+.46	-5.3
WhitingPet		13	59.04	+1.01	-4.6
WmsCos	1.61f	46	40.69	-1.07	+5.5
Windstrm	1.00	29	7.90	+.45	-1.0
XcelEngy	**1.12**	**15**	**29.12**	**+.11**	**+4.2**
Xerox	**.25f**	**11**	**10.66**	**+.09**	**-12.4**
Yahoo		30	38.11	-.39	-5.8
Zoetis	.29f	30	30.00	+.87	-8.2
Zynga	...	...	4.80	+.17	+26.3

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
16,588.25	13,784.01	Dow Jones Industrials	15,963.94	-30.83	-.19	-3.70	+14.17
7,591.43	5,789.20	Dow Jones Transportation	7,263.93	+9.77	+.13	-1.85	+22.51
537.86	462.66	Dow Jones Utilities	510.62	-1.03	-.20	+4.09	+7.36
11,334.65	8,700.73	NYSE Composite	10,173.77	+3.40	+.03	-2.18	+13.00
2,471.19	2,186.97	Amex Index	2,356.38	+16.19	+.69	-2.86	-1.96
4,246.55	3,105.37	Nasdaq Composite	4,201.29	+10.24	+.24	+.59	+31.42
1,850.84	1,485.01	S&P 500	1,819.26	-.49	-.03	-1.57	+19.66
19,776.59	15,674.94	Wilshire 5000	19,451.71	+10.61	+.05	-1.29	+21.04
1,182.04	894.24	Russell 2000	1,132.54	+3.38	+.30	-2.67	+23.02

TODAY: Sunny High: 77 Low: 48

FRIDAY: Sunny High: 67 Low: 43

SATURDAY: Sunny High: 80 Low: 48

SUNDAY: Mostly sunny High: 86 Low: 50

MONDAY: Mostly sunny High: 72 Low: 43

TUESDAY: Sunny High: 70 Low: 43

Local forecast

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 77 and southwest winds between 5 and 15 mph becoming west in the afternoon. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly clear conditions with a low around 45 and west winds between 5 and 10 mph.

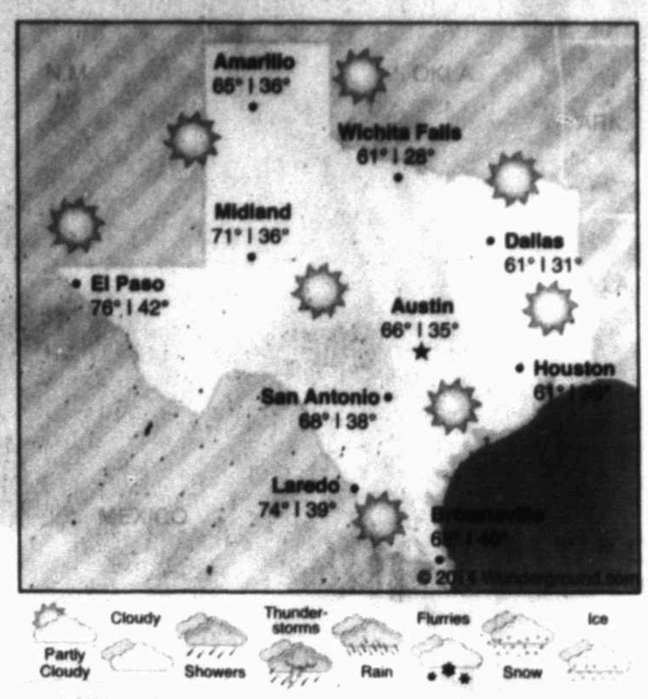
Friday, look for sunny skies with a high around 67 and northwest winds between 10 and 15 mph becoming north between 20 and 25 mph in the afternoon. Winds could gust as high as 35 mph. Expect mostly clear conditions at night, with a low around 43 and east winds around 10 mph becoming south after midnight.

Saturday, the forecast calls for sunny skies during the day, partly cloudy skies at night, with a high around 80 and a low around 48.

The high on Wednesday reached 62, while the low dropped to 20. The record high for Feb. 12 is 86 set in 1962. The record low is 14 set in 1963.

National forecast

A nor'easter will move along the Atlantic Coast on Thursday with snow, rain, freezing rain, sleet and gusty winds. Snow is forecast to change to rain from south to north over the Mid-Atlantic and southeastern New England coasts.



Precipitation

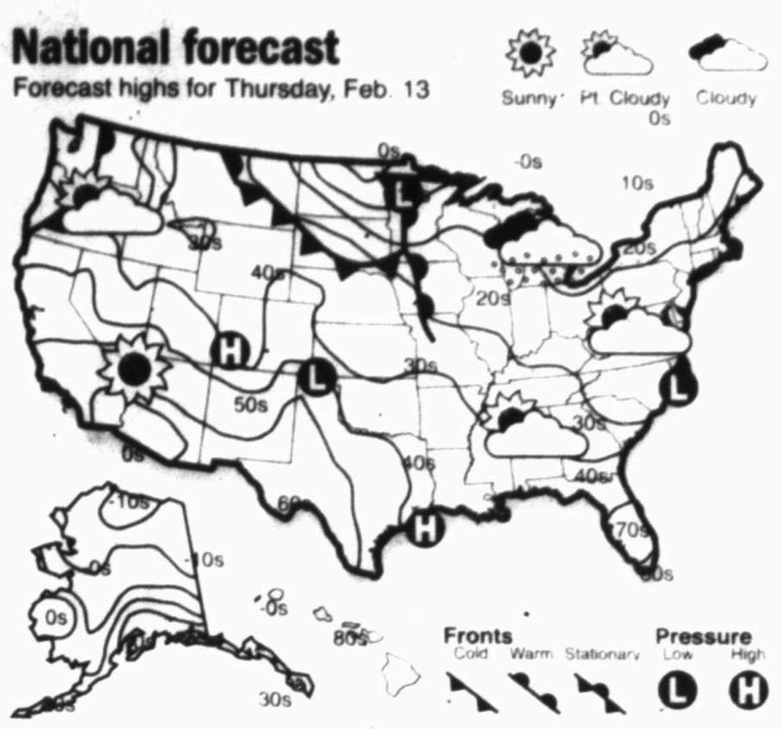
Tuesday	0.00 in.
Wednesday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.24 in.
Year total	0.24 in.
Normal total (year to date)	0.86 in.

Wednesday's temperatures

High	62
Low	20
Normal high	62
Normal low	34
Sunrise	7:33 a.m.
Sunset	6:34 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Thursday, Feb. 13



Woman stays quiet about breast exam to ease her family's woes

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: Earlier this year, my sister "Kathy" was diagnosed with breast cancer. She underwent a double mastectomy, chemo and radiation, and will begin reconstructive surgery soon.

Because of her diagnosis she encouraged me to visit my doctor for an exam. When I did, they found a lump, which needs further testing. I have chosen not to share this with my family because my sisters and parents have been deeply affected by Kathy's diagnosis, and I don't want to cause them needless worry.

My husband is angry and he said that because Kathy is their favorite they wouldn't be concerned anyway. I thought it was insensitive and cruel to me, but more to the point, I felt he wasn't thinking about how upset my doing so might make my family. Am I wrong to feel this way? — NEEDS FURTHER TESTING

DEAR NEEDS FURTHER TESTING: Certainly not. Your husband's comment illustrates the importance of keeping one's mouth firmly shut if one can't think of something helpful or supportive to say. It almost appears that he is angry at you for the questionable test result.

I can't blame you for not wanting to upset your already stressed family at this point, but if more testing confirms that you, too, have breast cancer, I think it's important that you let them know — especially your sisters, who might want to be screened sooner than later.

I hope your husband's apparent inability to support you emotionally during this difficult time is an aberration, but if it's not, you will need to find support elsewhere.

DEAR ABBY: About 15 years ago I committed a crime against a woman I cared about. I have felt guilt and remorse about it ever since. I can't speak to her or have any contact with her.

I would like to tell her I'm sorry for what happened. I have beaten myself up over this and thought about suicide. What do I do? Please help, Abby. — SO SORRY IN ST. JOSEPH, MO.

DEAR SO SORRY: The first thing you must do is talk with a mental health professional about your suicidal thoughts. Once you have been stabilized, you should then understand that you may have been forbidden to contact your former friend because what you did was so traumatic that it could cause her to relive the incident, which could further victimize her. If you're looking for forgiveness, forgive YOURSELF and move on — but leave her out of it.

DEAR ABBY: Is there some sort of etiquette regarding inquiring about someone's country of origin?

While making polite conversation with a customer in my retail shop, I noticed she had an accent and asked where she was from. She became very evasive and seemed offended that I had asked. She actually refused to answer my question.

I tried to recover from the awkward situation, but I can't help but feel I insulted her somehow. Was I wrong to ask? — FRIENDLY RETAILER IN KANSAS CITY

DEAR RETAILER: Perhaps. Some immigrants to this country feel the question you asked is a very personal one. There can be various reasons for it. The person may feel self-conscious about his or her accent, and you can't know the political situation in the person's country of origin or whether he or she has encountered bias because of where he or she came from.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Luck or skill?

Neither vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ K 7 4
K 4 2
10 7 6 2
♣ A 10 2

WEST
♠ 8 3
10 6 5 3
Q 9 4
♣ K Q J 9

EAST
♠ 9 5 2
Q J 9 8
K 8 3
♣ 7 6 4

SOUTH
♠ A Q J 10 6
A 7
A J 5
♣ 8 5 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
2NT	Pass	4♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: King of ♣

North-South were playing a weak (13-15) no-trump opening, which enabled them to find their spade fit easily — not such a good thing on this hand. North might well have bid three no-trump at his last turn — nine tricks would have been so much easier — but South set off in search of 10 tricks in the given contract.

Declarer won the opening club lead and cashed the ace and queen of trumps. Next came the ace of hearts, a heart to dummy's king, and a heart ruff. South continued with a low club toward the 10. West could win and cash another club, but he then had a choice of presenting declarer with a ruff-sluff or breaking the diamond suit — either would allow South to bring home his contract.

This technique, known as a "partial elimination," usually requires some luck to be successful. South was lucky that West did not have the last trump or he could have played that card and scuttled the contract. The location of the club queen was known from the lead, but South was also lucky that East could not gain the lead with the club jack, or again, a trump play would defeat him.

Despite the luck factor required, South showed great imagination in giving himself this extra chance to make the contract!

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Thursday, Feb. 13, 2014:

This year you head in a new direction. In a sense, you become slightly less independent than you have been in the past. Actually, your sense of self is so strong that you don't need to worry about this issue. You tend to be oversensitive. If you are single, you could meet someone special sometime after June. You also could discover that you have more than one potential suitor. If you are attached, you often give in to your sweetie's demands because it is easier that way. The summer could heat up your interactions. Enjoy this period. LEO is romantic.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You could be unusually verbal and creative. You might wonder how you can stop a problem before it evolves. At the same time, you would like to have the other involved parties understand why it was a mistake. Tonight: Get into weekend mode.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ If you can work from home, do. Understand that you can be more reflective in a comfortable environment, as you will be somewhat distant from the issues at hand. You might be seeing a transformation of a key person in front of your eyes. Tonight: Make it easy.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ You might want to see a situation in a different light. How you see a personal matter could change, given some time and space. Your playfulness emerges when dealing with a co-worker. A partner or associate will favor you in an issue. Tonight: Out and about.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ You could be more touchy and difficult than you realize. You might be making major adjustments for others, and probably feel as though you need others to be considerate of you. A loved one will look at you favorably. Tonight: Buy a new item for your wardrobe.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ You beam, and someone responds. Your ability to get past a problem allows you to have a good time, no matter what situation you are in. A co-worker allows you to see how much you are cared about. Make time for a hobby that you really enjoy. Tonight: The world is your oyster.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Your creativity abounds when dealing with a partner, friend or associate. You could feel uncomfortable with a loved one, as you might not feel the same way around him or her. You express a different type of energy with this person. Just be yourself. Tonight: Not to be found.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Even making hardly any effort, you still will draw excellent results. All you have to do is be present. You have the ability to deal with the unexpected with considerable ease. In fact, people who tend to be unpredictable often amuse you. Tonight: Where the gang is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Take a stand, and make sure that others are hearing you loud and clear. You might need to adapt your communication style in order for someone to really hear the message. Sugar works better than vinegar when trying to win someone over. Tonight: Paint the town red.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ A loved one will do the unexpected. Your finances could point to a need for change in the choices you are making. Use your imagination, but avoid taking a risk at any cost. You will enjoy for a long time an item that you purchase right now. Tonight: Relax to some good music.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Take a break from handling your responsibilities as well as someone else's. In the long run, you are not doing this person any favors, but you still will feel obligated to help out. Understand that you don't need to do everything for this person. Tonight: Opt for togetherness.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Defer to a loved one who cares a lot about you. In fact, you might find that many special people surround you at the present moment. You could be oversensitive to a comment or a lack of response from someone. Tonight: Sort through your many offers.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Don't hesitate to let others know your limitations, especially as they seem to dump a lot of work on you. An unexpected development involving your finances initially might concern you, but later you will see the situation in other terms. Tonight: Get some exercise.

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BORN TODAY

Former U.S. first lady Bess Truman (1885), talk show host Jerry Springer (1944), singer Peter Gabriel (1950)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Asian noodles
6 Quick looks
11 "The __"
14 Poke __ in
15 Game console button
16 __ polio
17 "Sommersby" actress
19 1992 figure skating silver medalist
20 What "will be" will be?
21 Actress Dolores __ Rio
22 Post-blizzard creation
24 "The Federalist Papers" co-writer
27 Part of UNLV
28 Shortcut, perhaps
33 Kobe's home
36 Energy
37 Environmental sci.
38 Hosp. areas
39 Freaked out
43 Org. for analysts
44 Dickens clerk
46 __ Aviv
47 Plant circulatory tissue
49 Measure used by navigators
53 Some govt. lawyers
54 Kind of memory
58 Golfer and his buddy, say
62 Barbecue item
63 Never, in Nuremberg
64 Trash holder
65 Packaged produce buy, and a literal description of the ends of 17-, 28-, 39- and 49-Across
68 Word before or after blue
69 Paris pupil
70 Picture
71 "Mr. __ Passes By": Milne play
72 A.J. Foyt, e.g.
73 Flies alone

DOWN

1 Hindi for "king"
2 Now, in Nicaragua
3 Surfing equipment
4 Ransom __ Olds
5 Locker room exchange
6 Opening words
7 Some RPI grads
8 Body shop figs.
9 Sharp
10 Easy pace
11 Playfully kooky
12 Minute amount
13 Utah national park
18 Crumbly cheese
23 Corduroy ridge
25 Biographer Tarbell
26 Extended short story
29 Singer/actress Peeples
30 Energize, with "up"
31 "Not a chance"
32 Character actor Jack
33 Doe in many films
34 Specialty
35 Lewis Carroll, for one
40 Non-Rx
41 Museum funding org.
42 Bookplate words
45 Educ. collaborators
48 As of now
50 Glucose, to fructose
51 Geese : gaggle :: crows : __
52 Beatnik's "Gotcha"
55 "Barry Lyndon" actor
56 Musical nickname related to jewelry
57 Survey answers
58 Cook's meas.
59 Collaborative Web project
60 Kunis of "Black Swan"
61 Corporate VIP
66 Holiday starter
67 Rock genre

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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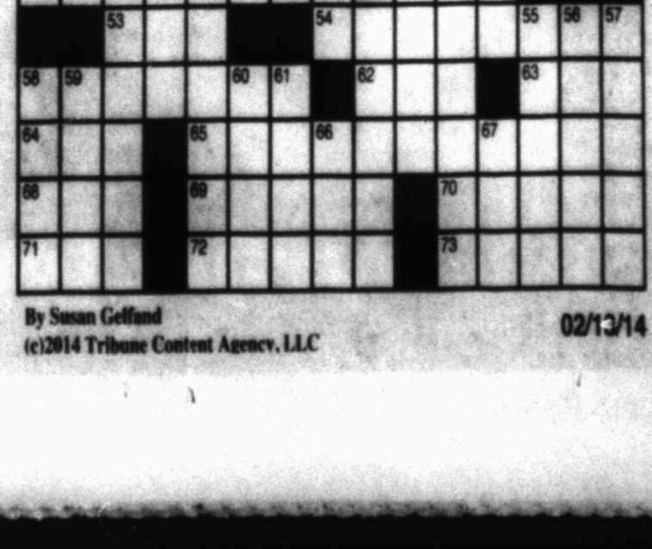

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General Announcements

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Legal & Public Notices

"NOTICE OF AUCTION OF ABANDONED VEHICLES" LOCATION: Triple A&J Auto Collision Center 610 W. Florida Ave Midland, TX 79701 DATE: Monday Feb 24, 2014 VEHICLES: 2000 Toyota Avalon 2001 GMC Sierra.

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE of property to satisfy landlord's lien. Sale is Tuesday, 3/4/2014 at 10:30 A.M. at 709 West Wadley, Midland, Texas, 79705. Property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash, immediate removal required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw property from sale. Property includes contents of spaces of following delinquent tenants: Tamera Belcher, household goods; Jamian Jaskson, household goods; Ashley Odonnell, household goods; Jana Behen, household goods. Property from the above listed delinquent tenants will be sold as individual units. For further information contact A-Plus Super Storage, 432-683-2500.

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE of property to satisfy landlord's lien. Sale is Tuesday, 3/4/2014 at 11:30 A.M. at 3420 Thomason Drive, Midland, Texas, 79703. Property will be sold to the highest bidder for cash, immediate removal required. Seller reserves the right to withdraw property from sale. Property includes contents of spaces of following delinquent tenants: Robert H. Viccars, household goods; Robert Matthew Lovelady, household goods; Amy Simpson, household goods; Cruz Urias, household goods; Evvan Alexander Murry, household goods; Leandra N. Dominguez, household goods; Derrek Trent, household goods; Jana B. Behen, household goods; Courtney Lister, household goods; Brandon Gamblin, household goods; Chris Perez, household goods; Donald Edward Fredenburg, household goods; Angelica Rodea, household good; David Perez, household goods; April Lynne Sanchez, household goods. Property from the above listed delinquent tenants will be sold as individual units. For further information contact Affordable Self Storage, 432-694-4444.

General Announcements

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Lost & Found

FOUND BEAGLE Puppy on East County Road 130. Call 432-559-3599

FOUND: HEARING Aid in HEB Parking Lot on Tues 2/11. Call 699-4325 to identify

Schools & Instruction

Schools & Instruction

EXPERIENCED ENGLISH teacher offering tutoring for students of all levels for Reading, Writing, and grammar. Call 432-935-1524

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Passenger Cars

2005 AUDI TT, $15,000. 1 owner, 57K miles, leather heated seating, new tires @ 45K miles. 432-934-6711

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Passenger Cars

2005 TOYOTA Corolla SE, blue, 50K miles, auto, $7,200. Good gas mileage, good condition. Call 432-210-8068 or 432-288-1357.

2006 LINCOLN TOWNCAR, Signature, 53,000 miles, light French silk metallic, "silver", immaculate, $11,900. 432-683-2335

2006 SILVER Crossfire Limited Coupe, Leather Interior, 6-Speed, 19K miles, $12,000. 432-697-1245 or 432-559-5254

2009 CORVETTE ZO6, black/black, 9,500 miles all options, custom stereo, perfect condition, $52,000. 432-553-4654

2010 CADILLAC CTS, red 49k miles. Below retail @ $22,500. 432-894-1152.

BMW 2011 328i Coupe Alpine white, cream int., 7k mi., M series package, premium package, garage kept, warranty. Asking $29k. Call 432-230-3566

CHEVY 2000 Z28 Camaro, 114k miles, Pewter. $4k OBO. Call 432-210-4774

CHEVY 2008 Corvette LS3, red, 6.2L V8, 508HP, 30k mi, tuned & borla exhaust, automatic & standard with pedal shifting, mechanical breakdown insurance, 20k mi. warranty on tires, $34k. 432-250-3659

JAGUAR 1993 XJS Red 2 door hard top 1 owner, 81,000 miles 683-8380

Passenger Cars

LEXUS 2008 RX350 white, tan leather, 80k mi, excellent condition, loaded, garaged & 1 owner $15,400 432-638-6430

MAZDA 2005 6S tan leather interior, heated seats, new tires, 3.0 DOHC engine blown. Black exterior. $3,600. Text 214-966-1647

PONTIAC 2006 G6 GTP 4dr, silver w/ black interior, CD player, keyless entry, sunroof, automatic/ standard converter, 103K miles, $8,000. Call 432 889 8346

WANTED!
Will buy wrecked & unwanted cars, trucks & RVs. FREE pick-up. 432-685-4078

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1986 CAMARO Z-28 IROC-Z, w/ t-tops, classic for restore. Never wrecked. A great father/son project. 432-699-2115

Pickup Trucks

1994 CHEVY 1500, $4,000. 193K miles, 4 wd, tow package, new tires. Call Sue 432-218-8380

1998 GMC pickup extended cab. Fair condition, new tires, 1 owner. $4,000 OBO 432-230-9232

2001 FORD F250 diesel. Extended cab with Pedro wrecker unit, 100k + miles, $5,000. 325-370-9287 or 432-270-4443.

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Pickup Trucks

2002 F 250 Ford Lariat, 7.3 Diesel 200K miles, lift kit, fully loaded, lots of extras. $16,5000. 432-425-5940 or 432-556-8607

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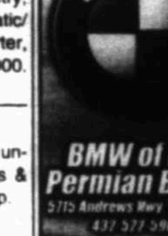
Passenger Cars



BMW of the Permian Basin
3713 Andrews Hwy - Midland
432 377-3900

2009 BMW 528i
Alpine/ Cream Beige Prem , Xenon, Assist & Bluetooth, 98k miles

2011 BMW X5 50i
Jet Black / Blk Sport Activity, Cold, Tech, Spare saver, Head up Avtive seats 13k miles, CPO

2013 BMW 335i Convertible
Jet Blk/Blk Conv, Prem, Nav, SaT, Though Loading System heated seats 4k miles, DEMO

2013 BMW 535i
Dark Graphite / Blk M sport , Tech, Prem , Heated , head up display 6k miles, Service loaner

2013 BMW 528xi
Space Gray/Oyster Prem, Heated seats, rear view camera , Nav. 4k miles, Demo

2007 GMC Yukon
Gray/Blk Sat, Rear Seat Ent, 3rd row, 125K Super Clean

2012 BMW 535i
Space Gray/Oyster Prem sound, Sport , Prem. 11k miles, CPO

2012 Mercedes CL550
Blk/Blk Harman Kardon, Nav, 20k miles

2012 BMW 328i Coupe
Mineral Wht/Oyster M sport , Prem., hi- fi, nav.,12k miles

2013 BMW 328i
White-Red Blk racing Stripe Sport line, Sport Trans, Nav, Heated seats, 3k miles, Unique

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Pickup Trucks

2005 CHEVROLET 2500 HD Crewcab, short bed, 4 WD, diesel, 1 owner, 138K miles, clean, 45 gallon fuel tank plus extras, $23,000. Call 432-697-3960

2006 TOYOTA Tundra, almost perfect condition, 77,300 miles. 432-556-9711 can text pic or see in Midland.

CHEVY 2001 Silverado extended cab, red, 130K miles, grill guard, tool box, bed liner, great condition. $6900 432-687-5663

CHEVY 2004 Avalanche 1500 Z71 Black/Black Leather, 4Dr, 4WD, 1 Owner, 142K miles. Regular oil changes with synthetics. New brakes, new shocks, sun roof, heated seats, BOSE sound, towing package/trailer brake system. Very good condition for miles and year. Never in an accident! $9,500 972 533 7757

DODGE 2001 Ram 1500, white in color, vin#3B7HC13Y91G772379, 114,571 mileage $3,500. If interested call (432)661-1809

FORD 2002 F250 Crew cab, XLT, 4x4, 7.3 Powerstroke Diesel, good condition. $9,975. 432-557-2130

FORD 2004 F-150 Supercrew Lariat 2WD for sale. New engine, 149,900 miles, fully loaded, overall in great condition. Title is clear and in hand, asking $11,000. OBO. 432-312-2883

FORD 2010 F250 Lariat FX4, deisel. Black with black leather. 71K miles. $36,500 Call 432-413-5040

► NEW TODAY! ◄

FORD 2011 F550 4x4 crew cab, diesel, 25k miles, $44,600. Call 432-631-9868

FORD 2012 F-150, super crew, 145" wheel base, eco boost 3.5L engine, electronic 6 speed auto, fully loaded, $32,000. For qualified buyers: $5,000 cash down, $924.35 per mo. for 30 months. Call 432-770-1882

GMC 2011 Sierra 1500 Denali. 26,000 miles. Excellent condition. Fully loaded with navigation, sunroof, rear entertainment and more. Black with bed cover and running boards $38,900. Call 432-556-4486

Vans & Minivans

► NEW TODAY! ◄

2011 CHEVY 3/4 ton cargo van w/ shelving, 114k mi. Excellent condition, $13,500. Call 432-559-9465

CHRYSLER 2002 Town & Country Van. Garage kept, very good condition. Call 432-425-0366 after 5pm

CHRYSLER 2005 T&C LX mini van, excellent condition, michelin tires, $4000. Call 432-349-3477

TOYOTA 1998 Sienna Van, rebuilt transmission, ac/heater work, lots of new parts, $4,300. 432-349-0041

4WD & SUV

2010 FORD Expedition EL Limited, 13,100 miles, like new, Navigation, sunroof, rear entertainment, fully loaded, $35,900. Call 432-556-3992

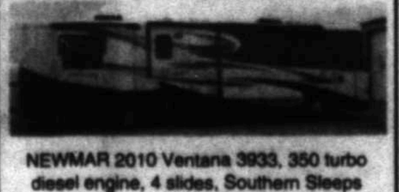
2011 SUBARU Outback Premium AWD, Legacy, 3.6 6 cylinder, 5 speed. One owner, garage kept, 36K miles, $25K. Call 432-682-0849

CHEVY 2003 TAHOE garaged and well maintained. New tires with less than 1000 miles on them. Original owner. Has 111,000 miles on it. $7500 obo 432-352-3766 or 432-694-8831

CHEVY 2003 Tahoe very nice, good condition, 107k mi. $6900. Call 432-352-8217

CHEVY 2005 Tahoe $12,500. Maroon, 95K miles, great shape! Call Brett 432-528-7134

Recreational Vehicles



NEWMAR 2010 Ventana 3933, 350 turbo diesel engine, 4 slides, Southern Sleeps System air mattress king size bed, 4 TV's in and out, Wineguard travel satellite system, 12 cu.ft. 4 door refrigerator with ice maker + much more. Non-smoker, a little over a year ext. warranty left, 16,350 mi., garage kept, $140,000. Call 806-373-0733. 806-679-4533

4WD & SUV

FORD 2007 EXPEDITION EL XLT 138,500mi Clean, Smokefree. Blck, 8-psg, leather, pwr folding 3rd row, 6-CD, DVD, sunroof, pwr adj pedals, Viper Smart Start. $9500 432-312-2493

JEEP 2006 Black Wrangler X 2 door 26,700 K $17,500 garage kept, great condition. Call 432-556-7724

LAND ROVER 2005 LR3 SE, AWD, silver with tan leather 4.4 Liter V8, 3rd row seats, tow pkg, 121K miles, clean $10,950 432-638-0138

Commercial Vehicles

Tractors & Trailers

HOT OILER unit for sale. 2013 Peterbilt 620-482-2530

RVs

BIG HORN 2013 Silverado, 37QB, 4 slide outs, 2 bath 5th wheel bunk house. Fully loaded. All the bells and whistles. Out door kitchen, 3 TVs and fireplace, just to name a few. Lightly lived in by owner. $39,500. Call anytime. Located in Midland **720-544-1827**

FLEETWOOD 2006 Discovery 39L, Diesel, 4 slides, 17k miles $89,000. Call 432-631-9868

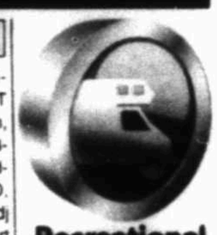
KEYSTONE 2007 Montana Montaineer 5th wheel, 39ft, 3 slides, awning, powered jacks, outdoor shower/cooking valve. Excellent condition! $22,500 OBO432-653-7824.

MONTE CARLO 2012 42', 4 slides, 2 bedrooms, washer/dryer, 3 A/C's, sleeps 10, excellent condition! Must sell! $36,500 OBO. 817-798-9024

STARCRAFT 31' Bumper pull, fiberglass, leather, granite, arctic package. Beautiful trailer, original owners. Call 432-682-0448 any time or 432-687-2621 after 5:30pm

USED RV'S for sale starting as low $4000 and more + delivery fee. Only a small variety left. Call 281-370-0060. Can be delivered or picked up.

Recreational Vehicles



2004 39.5' Open Road, 5th wheel, 4 Slideouts (3 oversized) spacious front living room with sleeper sofa. Entertainment center new TV. Rear bedroom, new pillow top mattress 50 amp. Double air conditioners. Brand new tires. Gooseneck adapter. Washer/dryer hookups. Non-smoker. Excellent condition! 8K 432-520-8222

2006 KENNER 21' Bay boat, tandem trailer, 150 Mercury, Optimax, GPS, trolling motor. Excellent condition $13,500. 432-557-2130.

2012 Heartland 31' trailer with 1 slide, A/C, awning, full bath, sleeps 6. Used 1 time. Call 432-528-7571

2013 JAYCO Eagle, 4 slide outs, entertainment center, fireplace, ceiling fans, electric jacks, electric awning. Sleeps 6, large hot water heater, large shower, large lower compartment. Excellent condition. $45,500 OBO. Must sell all reasonable offers considered. 307-221-2422

38' PREMIER by Hyline 2011, 5th Wheel, 3 slide outs, washer/ dryer, microwave, and many extras. $27,000 obo. 817-694-8268.

MUST SEE garaged kept boat. 2002 Larson 180 SEI, new graphics. $10,500. 432-349-0041

Auto Services and Parts

BUYING/Hauling Off Junk Or Unwanted Vehicles. Dependable Junk Removal. 432-352-5031

DIESEL ENGINES Power stroke, Cummings, Duramax, re, remanufactured with warranty. Will deliver. Call 713-918-5811.

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SUDOKU

THE SAMURAI OF PUZZLES By The Mepham Group

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk

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SOLUTION TO WEDNESDAY'S PUZZLE

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT & PUBLISHING

Graphic Artist

Graphic Artist help wanted. Seeking dependable, detail oriented, and creative person to join our team. Must be able to work in a fast paced environment and adhere to deadlines. Will be responsible for brainstorming and mocking up original ideas as well as creating, designing and producing artwork from client specifications. Must have knowledge of Illustrator, Photoshop and InDesign. Please email resume to Luzi@centuryga.com

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

Call Center Reps

Outpost Communications FT

Call center reps needed. 3pm-11pm, weekends and Holidays required. Call 432-563-6826 to schedule interview

FEMCO fm

OFFICE MANAGER - ODESSA, TX

We are a growing, dynamic and fun company, seeking a highly motivated and experienced Office Manager.

This position requires a very high-level of accuracy, keen attention to detail, and proficiency with Office applications such as Word, Excel and Outlook and strong communication and organization skills. Applicant should also have a strong knowledge of the oil & gas industry. Must be able to establish priorities, meet deadlines, and work proactively. Please send resume and cover letter to aclark@femcomachine.com.

CONSTRUCTION & FACILITIES

Overhead Door Installers

Accepting applications for **Overhead Door Installers**. Willing to train motivated individuals. Pay based on experience. Apply in Person **1809 W County Rd 114 Midland,TX**. Call **432-695-6287** for directions.

Welders & Sheeters

Accepting applications for experienced **Metal Building Welders & Sheeters**. Pay based on experience. Apply in Person **1809 W County Rd 114 Midland,TX**. Call **432-617-0163** for directions.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

CHILD CARE TEACHERS

Mrs. Irene's Child Care FT/PT

Child Care Teachers needed. Above average wages for Full and Part-time positions with some benefits. Call 432-520-8888.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

ASME Code Welder & Parts Person w/ oilfield exp.

Welder position: Has to be able to pass a plate test. 3+ years of experience Pressure vessel building. Single Hand Welders/Rig Welders. Applicants for both positions need to apply in person **2606 WCR 130, 79706**. We have benefits and vacation. If they have any questions to call **432-687-7060**

Available Positions

Lighthouse Energy Solutions FT

Lighthouse Energy Solutions has openings for the following positions Sales Person, Service Technician, Shop Hand, & Truck Pusher in the Big Lake area. Benefits include annual bonus, paid insurance, company vehicle & 2 weeks paid vacation. Qualified applicant will have clean driving record, drug free & able to work nights & weekends. Salary DOE. Please contact Bill Keller at 432-699-7744 for interview or email resume to: bill@lighthouseenergy.org.

Dispatcher Needed

Trucking Company seeking EXPERIENCED Dispatcher to work night shift. Heavy work load. Microsoft, Excel REQUIRED, knowledge of frac sand hauling a must. Bilingual required. Strong verbal/written communication skills required. Send resume to 3noilfieldservices@gmail.com or fax 432-614-9002.

Entry Level Helpers

Production Lift Systems FT

We are looking for Entry Level Wireline and Swabbing Helpers. Full benefits. Must have a valid driver's license and pass drug test. Apply at **14 East Industrial Loop Midland, TX 79701** or call **432-699-1200**

HEALTHCARE

Caregivers

Legacy Ranch

Midland, TX

Now Hiring experienced Caregivers, for all shifts to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at 4800 Briarwood Ave. Midland, Tx 79707

Certified Dental Assistant

Thomas Campagna, DMD FT

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

Clinic Nurse LVN- Addiction Treatment Center

Midland/Odessa

Monday-Friday, 5:15am-12:15pm weekdays & 6am to 9:30am on Saturdays. Travel required between Midland & Odessa clinics. Assessments, TBs, dispense meds. Paid holidays, CEU days & personal days. Fax **800-671-8364**

Dental Assistant

Sowders Dental Care

Growing, fast paced, upscale, cosmetic and general dental practice has the opportunity to add one more talented Dental Assistant. We have state of the art equipment and an excellent working environment. If you have the desire to become a member of our team please mail resume to PO Box 8870, Midland, TX 79708 or fax 432-682-6290

All applicants will be kept confidential.

Dental Office - Dental Assistant

Elite restorative and cosmetic practice seeks skilled dental chairside assistant for full or part time employment. Experience is required. Must demonstrate knowledge of computer charting and digital x-rays. Non smoker preferred. Great pay, benefits and a 4 1/2 hour work week. Send resume to M-12 co Midland Reporter telegram, 201 E Illinois, Midland, Tx. 79701

Front Desk Coordinator/Reception

Gray Cosmetic and Family Dentistry FT

Gray Cosmetic and Family Dentistry is looking to hire a FT front desk coordinator, who is a confident individual with great communications skills, team player, and highly motivated in all phases of dentistry. Prefer someone with Deental experience but not necessary. No phone calls. Must bring in resume to 2701 W. Cuthbert in Midland or fax to 432-694-5815.

E-mail resume to drsgrayofficemanager@gmail.com

FT Medical Receptionist / PT Dictation Person

Experienced Medical Office Receptionist needed for a busy clinic. Attractive salary and benefits. Also PT Dictation person with flexible hours. Please fax resumes to 432-522-2950

Housekeeper

Legacy Ranch FT

Midland, TX

Now Hiring FT Housekeeper to work with elderly clients in a professional environment. Apply in person at: 4800 Briarwood Ave., Midland, Tx 79707

Housekeeper

Martin County Hospital District is hiring one FULL TIME Housekeeper and one Part time housekeeper. Apply in person @ 600 E. I-20, Stanton, Texas 79782 or send resume to pauladority@martinch.org.p

Med-Aide

Confidential FT

Med-Aide for days, 6a-6p for correctional facility. Must past drug test and background check. Send Resume to Lorie@boonchapman.com

PRN RN's and LVN's

Martin County Hospital District is hiring PRN's RN's and LVN's for all shifts. Apply in person @ 600 E. I-20, Stanton, Texas 79782 or send resume to pauladority@martinch.org.

OTHER JOBS

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

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

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

Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

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

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddox@hearstrtp.com

NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

HEALTHCARE

Seeking Medical Assistants & Receptionist

Internal Medicine Practice seeking medical assistants and receptionist, full or part-time.

Please send resumes to 432-618-5232 or drop off at office; 3401 Greenbriar Dr., Midland

Various Positions

Midland Physical Therapy FT/PT

Physical Therapy Clinic looking for clinical and office personnel. Positions available immediately. Fax resume 432-570-8713. Or bring to **301 Dodson, Midland, Texas 79701**

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Hotel Maintenance

Accepting applications for hotel maintenance personnel. Prefer hotel experience but will train the right candidate. Must be knowledgeable in plumbing, sheetrock repair, painting, some electrical and carpentry repairs. Experience with HAVAC units, etc. a plus. This person requires someone to have a maintenance background. Excellent starting wages and benefits. Please apply at the Hilton Garden Inn at 1301 North Loop 250 W, Midland, TX 79706. EOE

Housekeepers & Laundry Attendants & Front Desk Clerks

LaQuinta Inn & Suites - Loop 250 & Hwy 191 FT/PT

Full time and part-time. Bilingual a Plus! Please Apply at LaQuinta Inn & Suites, Loop 250, Next to Kohl's

Housekeeping Manager

Hiring Housekeeping Manager for Midland Hotel FT/PT

Salary position with benefits. Previous cleaning experience helpful and bilingual a plus. Please apply in person at LaQuinta Inn & Suites, next to Kohl's on Loop 250.

Operations/Assistant Manager

Searching for an Operations/Assistant Manager for our hotel properties in the Midland/Odessa market. Prefer hotel experience but will train the right candidate. Marriot experience a plus. Must be computer proficient, experienced in working with and supervising associates as well as daily interaction with guests. Knowledgeable in resolving associate and guest issues. Must be able to lead by example. This is a hands on position. Excellent opportunity to advance as a General Manager at one of our properties. Excellent salary & benefits. Please send resume to tgoodman@mcrdevelopmentllc.com or you can apply at the Hilton Garden Inn, 1301 North Loop 250 W, Midland, TX. EOE

LAW ENFORCEMENT & SECURITY

Security Guard

Finley Investigations & Security (Lic# C09211)

7500 N CR 1294, Midland, TX 79707.

Hiring now! Full-time security guards. Growing company. Retirees welcome. Safe environment. We will train. Competitive pay. Starting pay $10 - $12 per hour. 432-561-5660. tomfinley@oilfieldsecurity.com

MANAGEMENT & EXECUTIVE

General Manager

Accepting applications for a General Manager of our beautiful Hilton Garden Inn here in Midland, TX. Must have hotel experience. Hilton brand a plus. Experience must include front and back of the house operations, F&B, guest and associate interaction, leading by example and maintaining high standards. Excellent salary and benefits package. Please apply at Hilton Garden Inn, 1301 North Loop 250 W, Midland, TX. 79706. EOE

General Manager

Management Opportunity! General Manager needed to oversee daily operations of busy Subway! Very competitive salary + quarterly bonus plan & awesome benefit package! Fax resume & salary history to 800-690-6499 today!

OTHER JOBS

Abstractor

Need experienced abstractor to cover 20+ counties in Midland area. Please send resume to Mike at miker@nsinfoserv.com

Administrative Assistant

Large Church accepting applications for Administrative Assistant positions. Bachelor's degree preferred. Computer literacy required. Send resumes to hrdirector@firstmethodistmidland.com

Custodian

First United Methodist Church FT/PT

If you just want a job, this is not the place. If you would like to work, then we need you. Must be an eager worker who can do what's been requested without hesitation or complaint, can show up on time, and values cleanliness. If this description fits you, please apply in person at First United Methodist Church, 300 N. Main Street, Midland, TX. Immediate interview possible. No phone calls please.

CARTER'S

Sales Person **Full-Time**

2101 W. Wadley #6 **Midland, TX 79705**

Commission sales, must be able to multitask. Detail oriented, connect with customers, and love furniture. Bring resume to Carter's Furniture at 2101 West Wadley, Suite #6 Midland, TX 79705.

DELIVERY DRIVERS / PHONE HELP

FLOWERLAND

Valentine's Day is just around the corner.

Hiring for Seasonal Help!

Drivers (must be 21) paid per delivery using your own vehicle, phone help - taking orders for Valentine deliveries, general help - process flowers and help in needed areas. Smoke free environment. Fax resume to 432-682-8949, apply in person, or email resume to tomwilliams@flowerlandmidland.com, no phone calls.

Inside Sales/ Manager Trainee

Armstong McCall Beauty Supplies FT/PT

Leader in Professional Beauty supplies product seeks a driven inside sales person. We offer full service distribution to license professional. We distribute top professional beauty supplies that include Matrix, Paul Mitchell, Goldwell, Joico, Chi, Kenra, Rusk and many more. This is a fantastic opportunity for someone that is looking for an exciting opportunity with great potential in the beauty industry. must be able to lift 50 lbs. Full time qualifies for Medical insurance. Mon-Fri, Pay DOE. Call 432-520-0090 for interview.

Janitorial Help

Part-time Janitorial help in Midland, work in the evening.

Apply at: 2311 Elizabeth Ave or call 432-570-9903.

JANITORIAL

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Now accepting applications for Maids and Janitors. Hours worked 5:30pm-8:30pm, Monday-Friday. Apply at 1307 N. Big Spring.

Midland/Odessa Self Storage Operator

Part Time 16-24 hrs per week. $10 per hr. ENTRY LEVEL-NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED. just a willingness to learn and great work ethic. Reliable transportation, valid DL and auto insurance required. Property upkeep, light maintenance, walking, standing, bending, lifting required. Some computer knowledge, cash transactions. We are an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer. Email resume to **leshaleggett@securcare.net** or fax to **866-292-7865**.

Office Machines Technician

Midland based service company has an immediate opening for a Office Machines Technician. Applicants needs strong customer service skills plus a willingness to learn technical skills. Send resumes & salary requirements to P-107 c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701.

Recruiting Manager

Accepting applications for a Recruiting Manager. This position will be responsible for recruiting personnel for our hotels in the Midland/Odessa area. Must be able to recruit, interview, and complete all new hire paperwork for file on each new hire. You will also be responsible in performing orientations and implementing monthly associate appreciation luncheons. Please apply at the Hilton Garden Inn at 1301 North Loop 250 W, Midland, TX. 79706. EOE

Security Officers

Imperial Guard Service FT/PT

Midland, TX 79701

No experience necessary. Will train. Uniforms provided. $9 to $11 per hour. Call 866-840-2066. TX Lic# 12202

Shop Welder/ Fabricator

Basin Engine and Pump FT

Basin Engine & Pump is looking for an industrial oilfield Shop Welder/ Fabricator. Welding Fabricator experience preferred. Position includes uniforms and a benefits package. Pay DOE. Please submit resume by fax to 432-570-1115 or email to tommy@basinengine.com. Applications may also be filled out at 1914 South County Rd. 1083, Greenwood/Midland.

Warehouse Foreman & Warehouseman

Natural Gas Services Group FT

NGSG has immediate opening for **Warehouse Foreman** and **Warehouseman**. Foreman Duties include preparing ITR's, Shipments, Returns Cycle count, Inventory Control and security of Warehouse. Must have previous Warehouse experience in a manufacturing setting. Forklift experience a Plus. Warehouseman duties include printing BOM's, receive product, pulling & checking parts, keeping Warehouse clean and organized. Must have manufacturing, Warehouse experience. Forklift experience a plus. Excellent Salary and Benefit package for the right people. For more information or to submit your resume contact employment@ngsg.com or call (432) 262-2700.

Wyndham Garden Hotel & Wall Street After 5 Sports Lounge Positions needed: Overnight Security, Kitchen Manager, Front Desk agents, Housekeepers, AM Servers, Bartenders and Cooks Pay based on experience. Please email resume wyndhammidlandgm@gmail.com or hand deliver at 3100 W. Wall Street, Midland, TX.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Resource Development Director, United Way of Midland

Minimum of two years nonprofit development experience; bachelor's degree; exceptional donor and volunteer management skills; effective presentation skills. Must be a self-starter and team player. Major giving and consultative selling experience helpful. Cover letter and resume to: dmahurin@uwmidland.org. Deadline to apply: March 3, 2014.

OTHER JOBS

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

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

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@hearstrtp.com

NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

mywesttexas jobs

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

Bistro Attendant

The Courtyard by Marriott is currently looking to fill a part-time/ full time Bistro Attendant. The ideal candidate must be customer focused, willing to go the extra mile for our guests and enjoy working in a high-paced, high-energy department. As a Bistro Attendant, you will handle all guest contact opportunities, including taking guests orders, prepping food, clearing tables, set up and clean up, bartending and providing overall outstanding customer service. This opportunity requires you be able to work any of the seven days/week during the day and night. Please contact Brenda Gil at 432-689-9400 or via e-mail at Brenda.gil@marriott.com.

DOMINO'S PIZZA is now hiring Delivery Drivers! We are looking for Awesome Team Members that want to earn cash daily! Delivery drivers earn a great hourly wage while taking home their tips and delivery reimbursement daily! Do you like cash in your pocket? Have a vehicle with insurance? Have a decent motor vehicle record and background? Well this is the job for you! Not sure yet?

Email us at dominos@clearwire.net
with your name and phone number and we will call you to answer any question you may have before you decide to apply! We will make the hiring process as easy as possible for you! As always, come on down to any of our Midland/Odessa locations and apply at any time!
Or apply at www.indeed.com
EOE
(coming soon: company delivery vehicles for you to drive! Apply today!)

Now Hiring 20 Warriors

Genghis Grill FT
Server, Host, Busser, Dishwasher, Grill Cook and Prep.
Apply in person at 4517 N. Midkiff. EOE

Strawberry Fields Café has openings for motivated individuals with a great attitude and self starters. Great work environment, great management, pleasant customers. Part time and Full time positions are available. Apply in person at 2311 W Wadley Ave., Midland. Hours of operation are 9:00 am to 7:00 pm Monday thru Friday / 9:30 am to 7:00 pm on Saturday. We are closed on Sundays!

RETAIL JOBS

Cashier

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

SALES JOBS

CASHIERS

Smoker's Outlet is looking for **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid weekly. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply.

Sales And Designer

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

Sales Position

Alpha Med Inc is looking for new representatives. Some positions opened. Salary in time and bonuses are guaranteed.
Full legal age required. Interested? E-mail you resume to harris@a-med.org

Sales Position

TNT Crane & Rigging is currently taking applications for a Sales Person. Must have extensive Oil & Gas industry sales experience. Top Pay and Benefits.
Please send resume to: garyh@tntcrane.com EOE

SKILLED LABOR

Diesel Mechanic

Wanted: Experienced Diesel Mechanic to manage repair shop for oilfield service company. Must be familiar with heavy duty and medium duty trucks. CDL license is a plus. Competitive salary and benefits. Contact 832-530-5423

FOREMEN

Strong Electric is hiring **Foremen** for our Service Division. **Journeymen Electricians** encouraged to apply. Must have a clean driving record and pass a drug test prior to employment. Visit **www.strongelectric.net/about/careers** to apply or call **(512) 252-9500**

Hy-Gear Construction

Needing Experienced Mud Men, Painters and Carpenter. Willing to work weekends. Call 432-685-9197

Industrial Construction Crafts

UDELHOVEN INC. Oilfield General Contractor. Now accepting resumes for Industrial Construction Crafts listed: Experienced Electrical Superintendent, Licensed Electrical Journeymen, Apprentice Electricians, Certified Welders, Pipefitters, Roustabout's, Painters, and General Laborers. Must have current Health and safety card as well as current H2S training. Udelhoven offers Competitive Wages, Insurance, 401K plan, and End of Year Safety Bonus for qualified personnel. Email resume to Toni Danielson tdanielson@udelhoven.com For more information Call 830-203-3055. (Please leave detail message if no answer).

Licensed Service Plumbers

Apply in person at **1101 W. Florida** or fax resume to **682-2939**. Salary DOE. We offer benefits, paid holidays, paid vacation & 401k.

Pipeline Operators

West Texas Gas, Inc. has an immediate openings for Pipeline Operators for the Big Spring/ Midland/ San Antonio areas. Primary responsibilities require experience in pipeline operations including measurement, regulation, line locates, routine maintenance, computer skills, cathodic protection systems, and regulatory compliance responsibilities. Benefits include group health insurance & 401K Plan. Salary DOE. Interested applicant can email resume to employment@westtexasgas.com

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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NO PHONE CALLS, PLEASE

Project Superintendant &General Superintendant

Mid-Tex of Midland, Inc. Now hiring General Superintendent and commercial construction Project Superintendent. Competitive pay plus excellent benefits. Experience in commercial construction a must. Please send resumes to 5206 W. Wadley, Midland, Texas 79707 or you may fax your resume to 432-694-9627.

Winch Truck Drivers, Roustabout Pushers, Coaters

Frank's Tanks & Trucking is now hiring experienced Winch Truck Drivers, Roustabout Pushers, and Coaters. We pay for experience! Accepting applications in person only. Please no calls. 8215 West County Rd 115, Midland, Texas 79705

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

CDL Drivers

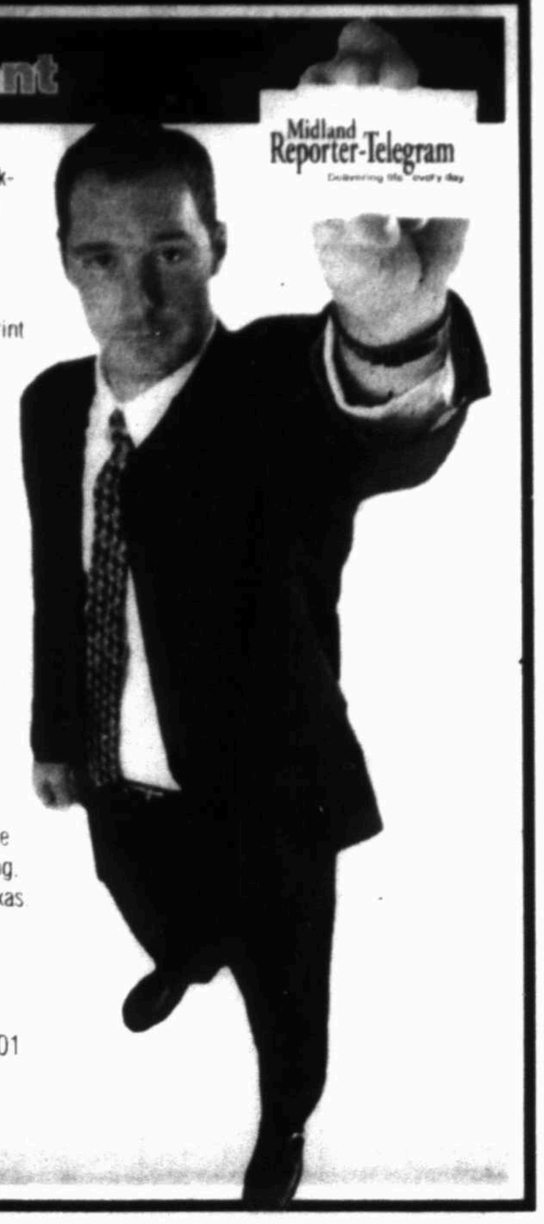
AES Drilling Fluids Permian, LLC needs drivers for our yards in Midland, Ozona and Pecos. Must have class A CDL with Hazmat Endorsement. Tanker and flatbed drivers are needed, call Farrell at 432-853-4884

CDL Drivers

B & B Wrecker Service is looking to hire **CDL Drivers**. Must be 21 years or older. Good driving record. Paid every Friday. Health Insurance provided. Please come by **2823 S. Rankin Hwy.**

SALES JOBS

Multi-Media Sales Consultant



The Midland Reporter-Telegram and mywesttexas.com advertising department is looking for a Multi-Media Sales Consultant. The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of personal sales successes, preferably in a newspaper/media environment. Some knowledge of the advertising industry would be helpful, but not required.

Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products, including mywesttexas.com.

Qualifications & Skills:

- *Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented environment*
- *Excellent customer service and time management skills*
- *Highly organized with the ability to work independently with minimal supervision*
- *Detail-oriented with good communication, spelling and math skills*

The Hearst Corporation is one of the largest diversified communications companies. Its major interests include magazine, newspaper and business publishing, cable networks, television and radio broadcasting, Internet businesses and more. As an associate of the Midland Reporter-Telegram, you join more than 20,000 in the Hearst family. The Multi-Media Sales Consultant is a full-time, outside sales position. We offer a competitive compensation plan and benefits package, comprehensive training, mileage allowance, 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 the one we are looking for, please send current resume to:

Jeri Houston, Advertising Sales Manager
Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Avenue, Midland, TX 79701
or email to: jhouston@mrt.com

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER / NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE

SKILLED LABOR

Forklift Operator

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an opening in its Production Department for the Position of "Fork Lift Operator" and other duties as assigned.

JOB REQUIREMENTS:

- Ability to read and write
- Ability to lift up to 50 lbs.
- Ability to bend and reach overhead
- Ability to count accurately and do simple math
- Able to operate a forklift and willing to be certified
- Be reliable, responsible and able to follow instructions
- Capable of standing and walking for extended period of time
- Able to work in various environments that include winter and summer conditions.
- Must be able to work weekends when necessary

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Accurate loading and unloading of printed materials in a safe and efficient manner
- Ensure material are efficiently/properly stacked and stored in appropriate and designated areas
- Perform other non-forklift duties when assigned

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Send resume and salary requirements to: **John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities**
c/o Midland Reporter Telegram - 201 E. Illinois St - Midland, TX 79701
Email to: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
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HEARST media services

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Delivering life every day.

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 CATHY at 432-687-9002 or stop by
The Midland Reporter-Telegram
201 E. Illinois Ave., Midland, TX 79701

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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

CDL Drivers for Vacuum Truck

NOW HIRING CDL Drivers for Vacuum Truck (2 years' experience required). Apply at **2400 S. Loop 250 West, Midland, TX** (across from DPS)

CDL Driver

Sure Shot Hot Shot, LLC -- Needing a Class A CDL driver with at least 1 year experience. Must be able to pass pre-employment drug screen and motor vehicle check. For question please contact Tommy Neatherlin at 432-528-3695 or Deborah at 432-617-5000. Applications available at 7600 WCR 116 Midland Tx

Class A CDL Driver

$5,000.00 Sign-On Bonus - Most weekends off! Stable company with a competitive hourly wage and excellent benefits located in Midland, TX is looking for a full time Class A CDL Driver with Hazmat endorsement. Position requires a minimum of 3 to 5 years verifiable professional driving experience with a clean driving and background record. Ideal candidates need to be dependable, reliable, and trustworthy. If you meet these qualifications, please contact Tammy at 432-279-0308 or send an email to *tammy@oilcenter.com*

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**

Delivery Driver

Must have clean driving record, must pass pre-employment drug screen. Apply in person at 4212 SCR 1300 in Odessa. No phone calls please.

DISPATCHER

Blue Streak Transportation in Midland, TX is an integrated sand, fuel and lubricant distribution company. We are in need of a **dispatcher** to take all incoming requests for work to be performed and in return dispatch drivers to perform requested work. Dispatch office is open from 6a.m. to 10p.m. 7 days a week. Employee may work shifts of 8-10hrs with possible evening and weekend work as necessary. Candidate should have a high degree of stress tolerance and experience working within a "trucking" company. Basic computer skills are necessary and excellent customer service skills are required. Salary DOE. Excellent Benefits. Please send resume to **michelle@bluestreaktrans.com** or fax to **432-563-1486**.

Driver Riggers and Dispatchers

TNT Crane & Rigging is currently Hiring Qualified CDL Driver/Riggers and Dispatcher. Top Pay, Benefits, and Per-Diem. Please email jharrison@tntcrane.com or call 432.242.4980 to request an application EOE

DRIVERS NEEDED IMMEDIATELY

Regional Ice Manufacturer Seeking FULL-TIME Route Delivery Drivers for the Midland, TX. area. Home Every Night. Class A or B CDL Required. Pre-Employment Drug Screen and Clean Driving Record a Must. Able to lift minimum of 50 lbs. Pays an excellent hourly wage and commission. Full Benefits Package Available. Please apply online at arcticglacier.com

Hot Shot Driver

G & W Trucking FT
Hot Shot Drivers wanted in the Midland area. Class A CDL, and drug screen required. Call 800-572-6338 or apply at Texas Work Force Commission for more information.

Operator & Drivers

Looking for experienced operator with class A CDL driver with Class A CDL and driver with Class B/tanker endorsement. Must have clean driving record and able to pass a drug test. Call Julio (432)557-2025 or Celeste (432)682-7201or apply in person. C&C Coating, 2908 NCR 1150, Midland, TX. 79705.

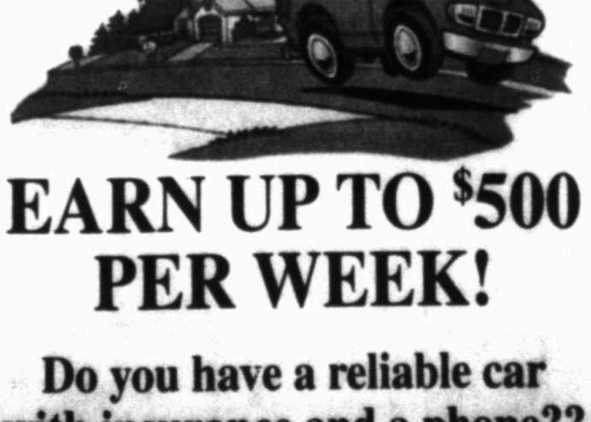
TTI TRUCKING IS NOW HIRING!

We now have immediate openings for the following positions: **MECHANICS**, **TRUCK DRIVERS**, **KILL TRUCK OPERATORS** and **TRUCK PUSHERS**. We offer weekly pay and benefits after 90 days. All drivers and pushers must have at least 2 yrs. experience and all applicants must be able to pass a drug test. Apply in person at 3404 W. Illinois Ste. 204 Midland, TX 79703

Vacuum Truck Driver

Midkiff Transports, Inc. **Class A CDL Req.**
6601 FM 715, Midland **Apply in Person**
Seeking Vacuum Driver. Must have good driving record and be able to pass drug test. Experienced applicants only. Competitive wages, paid health insurance/dependant, uniforms & retirement benefits. Call 432-682-2405 or apply in person.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY



EARN UP TO $500 PER WEEK!

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Contact: Linda 687-8807

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Appliances

1- AAA Appliance Free pickup in 30min. 556-0104 / 528-3046

WASHER & dryer for sale excellent condition $500 for pair. 361-649-9898

Fax Your Ad 682-6999

Appliances

We buy broken appliances w/ free removal. Also we repair appliances. 432-570-8278

Free Stuff

FREE TO good home! 2yr old female Sharpei /German Shepard mix. Very sweet, calm, house trained. Must do home check. Call or text: 432-934-6088.

FREE TO good homes! 3 fem pitbull puppies, 12 wks old. 1st shots, wormer. Pretty, shy, need love, attention. Must do home check. Call/text432-934-6088

Fax Your Classified Ad In Today! 682-6999

FREE TO good homes! Black lab mix puppies, 2 fem, 1 male. 10 wks 1st set of shots, wormer. Friendly. Must do home check. Call/text: 432-934-6088

FREE WOODEN PALLETS!

Midland Reporter-Telegram (on dock side)

Furniture

BEIGE SUEDE Sofa for sale. Fairly new. $500 Call 432-352-1393 after 5pm.

Miscellaneous for Sale

6 PERSON HOT TUB one year old, excellent condition. $3000. Will deliver for extra fee. Call 432-288-5931 for details.

BOOKCASES Shelves, old tools, old books, old magazines, old records, cups, glasses, pictures, coke bottles, miscellaneous garage sale items. Low prices. Call private party at 694-9491 & come take a look.

Miscellaneous for Sale

FOUR ADJOINING burial plots in Resthaven Memorial Park, Garden of Peace. $1,500 each, sold in pairs only. Call 817-379-1459.

SEASONED OAK firewood, $350 for 1 cord, $190 for 1/2 cord. Delivered & stacked. 325-648-2818 or 512-913-7406.

Musical Instruments

BALDWIN, BLACK, Baby Grand piano, 5'2". Perfect Condition, Moving, . must sell. $9,800. 432-553-4654

Musical Instruments

OAK FIREWOOD $300 per cord, $175 half, seasoned, split. No checks. Delivery extra. Call 432-238-6475 and 432-697-3420

Sporting Goods

JUGS BASEBALL 2 wheel pitching machine. Used 6 times like new. $1,500 OBO. 432-556-1993

Tools & Hardware

FOR SALE: Used powerfive poles 10-15 ft long. $75.00 each. Call 528-5784. Great for fence posts. Most are 10-12" diameter

OAK, PECAN, mesquite, pinon. 432-209-0416, 325-792-4262

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432-682-6222

Industrial Products & Supplies

Heavy Equipment

SMITH VACUUM SERVICE, in Snyder, TX is looking to purchase a Hot Oil Truck, 2000 model os newer. Please call David Smith at 325-436-0141 or send pics to chammond@smithvacuumservice.com

Animals & Pets

Pets

REGISTERED ABKC American Bully Puppies, Nice Body Mass & Structure. Blue, Brown & White Mix Colors, $1000. Call or Text For Info 432-260-9565 or 432-222-1178

Small white Chihuahua puppies, 1 Teacup, Call 432-212-0316.

Pets

WHITE MALE Lab, 4 months old, $400, good with kids, call 432-664-2811

Classified CAN 682-6222

GARAGE SALES

Yard & Garage Sales

79705

79701

1706 CAMP St Friday & Saturday 9am-2pm Lawnmower, furniture, Hot Wheels, sports cards, games, clothes, and lots, of misc.

79705

2305 SEABOARD Friday 8:00am to Noon Saturday 8:00am to Noon 3-family garage sale Couches, tables, kitchen stuff, home decorations, and more! Everything must go!

Yard & Garage Sales

79705

ESTATE SALE 5011 Belle Grove Court. Friday 12p-6p & Saturday 9a-3p. Books, men & women clothing, bakeware & cookware, misc. odds & ends. Everything must go.

79706

ESTATE LIQUIDATION Friday 14th Saturday 15th Hardrock maple furniture, etc. South on 349 (Rankin Hwy) to County Road 135 East, left to 1185, right to 136 1/2 East. Watch for bright orange signs.

Real Estate Rentals & Sales

Residential Rentals

Apartments for Rent Furnished

1 BEDROOM 1 bath furnished, queen bed, washer & dryer connection, taking applications. $1,200 month. $350 deposit 432-425-4871

Apartments for Rent Unfurnished

NEW MANAGEMENT Spacious 2 & 3 Bedroom Apartments. Call 432-687-4514

Townhouse/ Condo for Rent Unfurnished

SPACIOUS REMODELED 1600 +/- sf 2/2 w/garage & fenced patio 432-631-8100 or 432-266-1212

Houses for Rent Furnished

FOR LEASE Will consider owner finance. 3 bedroom 1 bath, 1 car garage. Being remodeled 432-254-3818

NICE NEW totally furnished 1 bedroom 1 bath washer, dryer cable, ice, RO water $1750/mo $1,000 deposit 432-631-8100

Houses for Rent Unfurnished

3331 SHANDON
3 bedrooms, 2 bath, 2 living areas, 2 car garage $2,300 month $2,300 deposit Call 432-230-5281

3 Amhurst Ct. Large 4 Bdrm 2 1/2 Ba. 2 living areas, dining area, fireplace, all new flooring, 2 car garage, large backyard, and Great Neighborhood. No pets. $3,000 + $3,000 deposit. Background check. 432-695-4449

3 BEDROOM, 1 bath, 1 car garage, fenced yard, central AC, near Lamar Elementary. $1,500 month $700 deposit 432-684-7535

5104 A Rainbow, 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 car garage. No smoking. Sprinkler system. Includes yard maintenance. $2,100 month. $2,000 deposit. Call 432-620-9222 or 432-425-2739

FOR LEASE! Available Feb. 15th, 4807 Elma Dr., 3 Br/2Ba, (2,255 sq. ft.) $2,400 a month. Security Deposit of $2,400. Non smoking home, no pets allowed. Call Clayton @ 432-631-4631 or Connie @ 432-664-2837. Alexander Realty.

Fax Your Ad 682-6999

Residential Rentals

Houses for Rent Unfurnished

TOWNHOUSE - Nice. 3 bedrooms, 2 1/2 baths, water paid, 2 car garage. No pets /smoking. $2,500/month, $2,000 deposit. 2202 Neely 432-682-0602

Residential Sales

Condos/ Townhouses

2100 Wadley very nice approx 1539 sqft condo with 2 bedroom 2 1/2 baths large living and dining area with 2 patios, covered parking for 2 autos. $155,000 432-528-1839

TOWNHOME FOR SALE BY OWNER. 2 Bd, 2 BA, 2 Living Areas, 2 fireplaces, 2 Car Garage. ALL kitchen appliances, Washer/Dryer. Fenced yard, NEW carpet, and paint, central air, electric/gas. CALL 432.230.0197

Houses for Sale

1000 W Louisana 3/2 with detached guest quarters, hardwood floors 2,100 sq ft + $199,000 432-631-8100 432-266-1212

2193 ECR 2200 Midland 2 1/2 acres with house, storage and Mobile home $140,000 620-482-2530 or 432-634-8526

2201 W Golf Course, Midland 6400sqft under roof 2.871 sqft actual livable. Indoor pool, 4 car garage. $299k Check zillow.com 432-530-8844

3608 SINCLAIR. 4bedroom 3 bath 2900 + sq ft, water well. 631-8100 or 266-1212

3911 ANETTA 3 BD 1 BA, 2 Living, CH&A, $119,000. Low Down Payment First Time Homebuyers Assistance American Realty 520-7577

4400 BROOKDALE. 3/2 fenced, $139,500 631-8100/ 266-1212

5605 CROWLEY Blvd. Grassland Estates/ Lee HS district, 4BR, 3BA, 2640sqft, remodelled kitchen, tile & hardwood floors, granite countertops in baths, study, 2 car garage, detached storage building. Single owner. $330,000 432-699-5110. If no answer, leave message and will return call

5714 CROWLEY, Grassland Estates 4 bedroom 2 1/2 baths, Jacuzzi, open den with fireplace, formal dining, open kitchen with island., breakfast area & bar, built-ins, pantry, utility room, covered patio, sprinklers, wood fences, 3 car garage. $295,000. 528-6077

BY OWNER: 316 Rocky Lane Dr. 3 Bed/2 Bath. Lots of Updates. $177,900 432-425-0921

Residential Sales

Homes for Sale

COUNTRY HOME 5 ac. 2/3 bd, 3 ba, 2888sqft., 1600sqft cover porch, 2 car garage, $325k Call 432-264-8577 for an appt.

DEBENTA 311 E. Pine, Midland. Nice area. Move in ready, sold as is. 3bd, 1ba, central air & heat, huge back yard. No owner finance. Serious inquiries. $138k. Call between 8a-5p 432-349-5831 or 432-978-2271

FOR SALE by owner 1000 N A Street as is 2,000 sq. ft. 432-270-1169

FOR SALE by owner 2602 Lynn Drive, Big Spring, Tx. $226,000 Up to 5 bedroom, 3 baths, 2 living, 2665 sq. ft. 432-213-3202

FOR SALE By Owner 2815 Stutz Dr. Beautiful 4 bedroom, 2 ½ bath home in established Midland neighborhood with mature trees. Updated with granite, tile, energy efficient windows, low maintenance exterior, energy efficient water heater, etc. Roof less than 10 years old. Total electric. No owner financing! Shown by appointment only to qualified buyers. Must have approval letter from mortgage company to obtain access. Realtors welcome. Approximately 2700 sq ft with enclosed porch. $349,900. Ready now. Will not lease purchase 432-697-3484

FOR SALE by Owner. 4 BD/ 2BA brick house on 1.20 acres of land with 5 storage buildings. House is a fixer upper, with some fire damage, but there is a 3BD/2BA mobile home to live in while working on the house. Property is fenced with water well $125K cash or owner might finance with half down. Call 432-684-6767

HOME TO BE MOVED! Pier & beam, 3 bed/ 3 bath, 2273 sq ft, metal roof, large master his/her closet, remodeled kitchen open to living, office. Appraisal value $188,205, asking $50,000, located 40 miles SE of Midland 432-268-5897

WE BUY HOMES, LAND OR BLDGS! Fair prices, quick cash! Call 266-1212/ 631-8100

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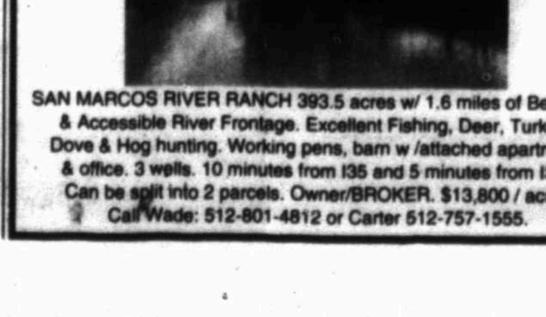

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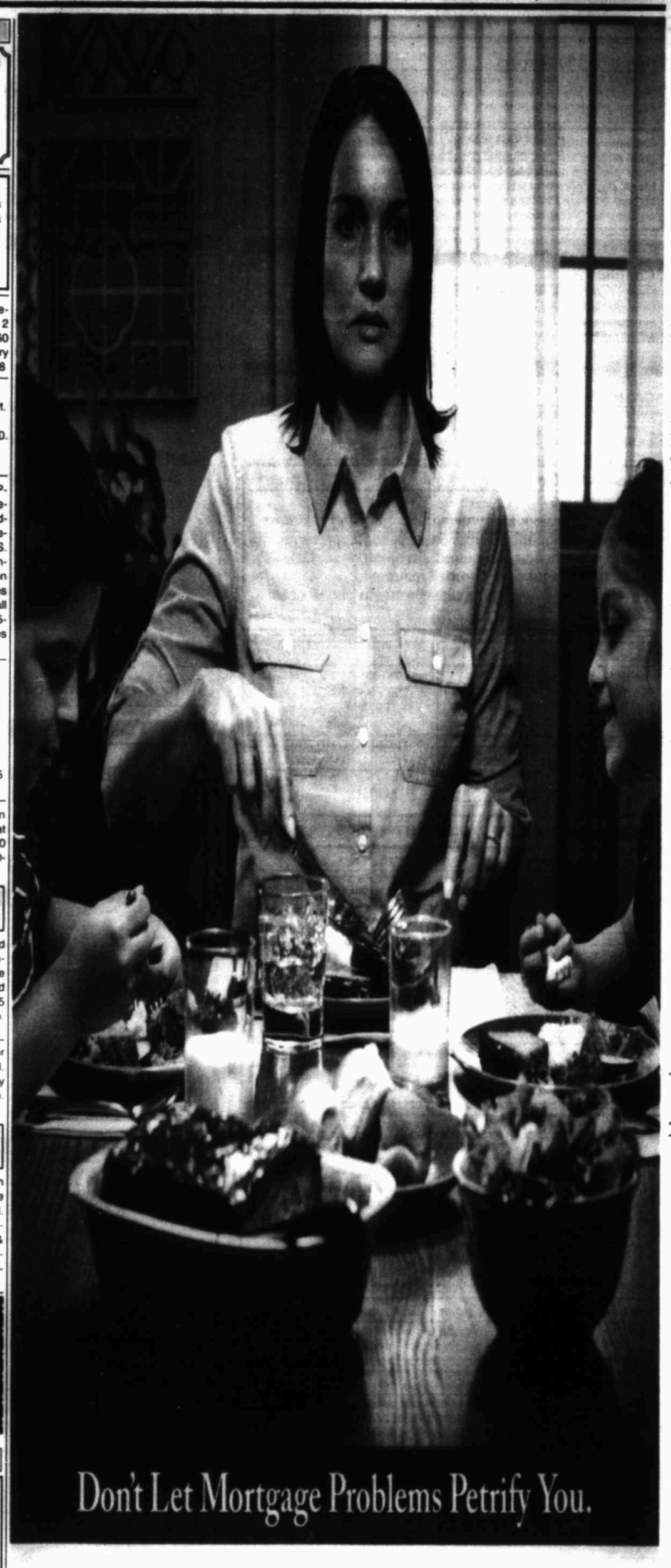

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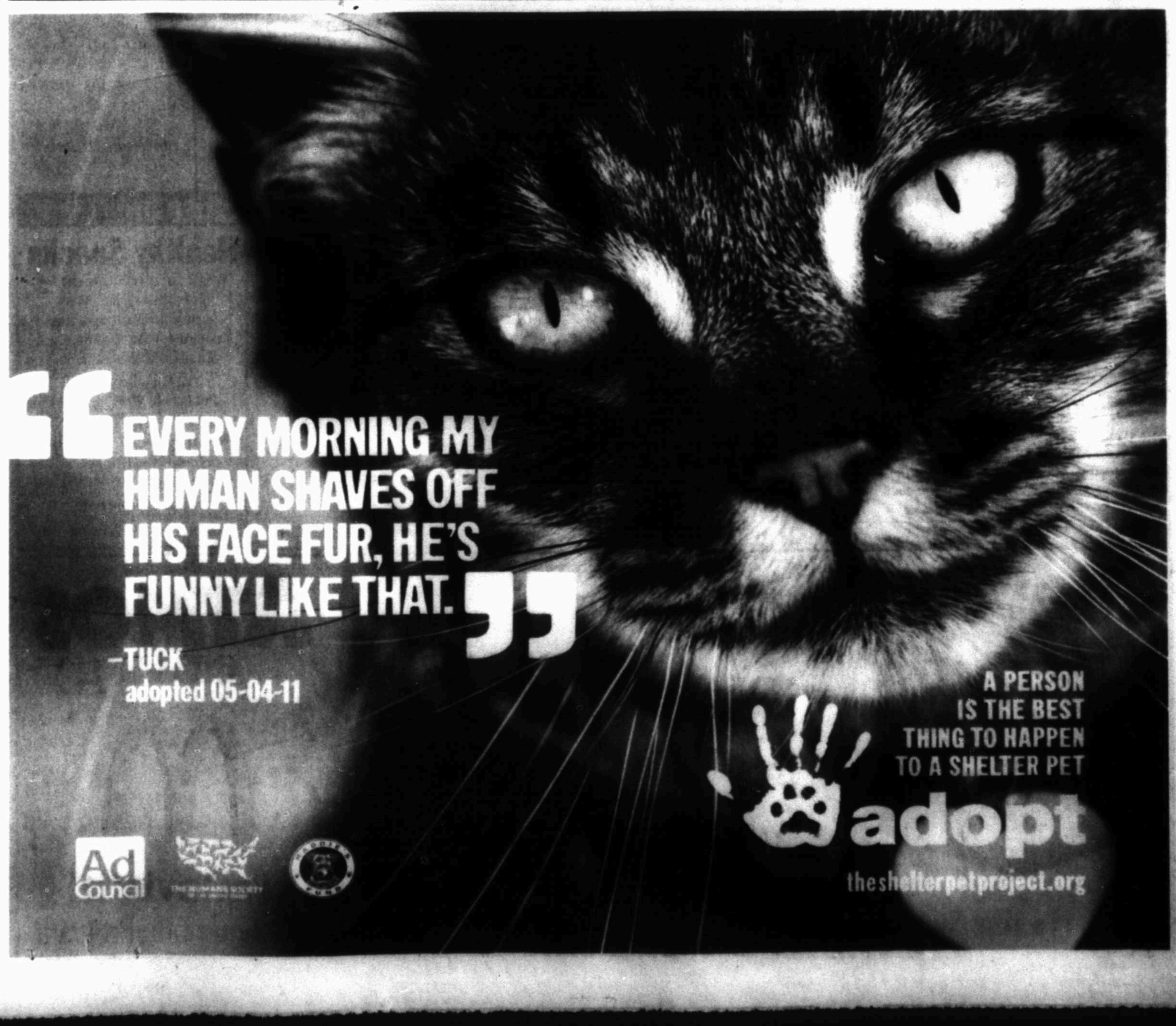

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The Winter Olympics

Sochi, Russia is home to the XXII Olympic Winter Games

Sochi, on the Black Sea coast, is said to be a meeting point between sea and mountains.

Most of the 98 events in 15 winter sports will take place in Sochi with the skiing and snowboarding in the winter resort town of Krasnaya Polyana. 65 nations will take part in the Games.

Torch Travel

As with every Olympic Games, the torch journey begins at Mount Olympus in Greece. The journey to the opening ceremony of the Sochi games will be the longest torch relay ever covering 40,000 miles and including 83 Russian cities. It reached Europe's highest mountain, Mount Elbrus in the Caucasus mountain range and the depths of Siberia's Lake Baikal.

The torch was taken to the North Pole via an icebreaker ship and was also taken into space where Russian cosmonauts Oleg Kotov and Sergey Ryanzansky passed it at an outlet of the International Space Station.

Meet the Mascots

For the very first time, the Olympic mascots were chosen by the general public during a voting show on live television.

The Hare

The Hare loves all sports. She's a very busy creature who studies hard and gets good grades at the Forest Academy. She loves to sing and dance and she amazes her friends by the number of things she is able to do.

The Leopard

The Leopard is a mountain climber and rescuer. He rescues those in need and has saved people from avalanches. He lives high in a tree on the highest peak in the snowy Caucasus Mountains. The Leopard is a snowboarder who is cheerful and loves to dance.

The Polar Bear

He lives on an ice shelf beyond the Arctic Circle. His snow shower, his bed, his computer and his weight lifting equipment are all made out of snow and ice. He is good at skiing, speed-skating and curling but his favorite sport is bobsleigh. During the long Arctic winter he enjoys bobsleigh competitions with other bears and fur seals.

Olympic Slogan

Each Olympics has a national slogan and this year's Russian slogan is intended to reflect the diversity of Russia's national character.

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Design a classroom slogan that represents elements important to your class. Have your class vote for the slogan they think best represents your shared goals.

Extra! Extra! Logo Language

Organizations have logos designed to represent them. Look through today's paper to find:

- Logos that use words and images
- Logos that use only an image or symbol

Standards Link: Understand the use of symbols in visual media.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

OLYMPIC PICTOGRAMS

At the Olympic Games, a picture is worth a thousand words. A **pictogram**, or picture symbol, will be used at the games to help people from all over the world understand what is happening.

Match each pictogram to the sport it represents.

Downhill Skiing
Bobsleigh (or Bobsled)
Curling
Cross Country Skiing
Biathlon

Standards Link: Visual Discrimination: Find similarities and differences in common objects.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

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CURLING
OLYMPUS
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O	Y	S	M	P	B	T	C	L	P
N	I	S	P	A	C	E	C	E	O
S	H	I	P	H	A	R	E	R	E
S	C	A	U	C	A	S	U	S	L

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Weekly Writing Corner

Sports Story

I love to play soccer every day at the park and at home. I play games on Saturday. To play soccer, you need a field, ball, and some people. Soccer is a really good sport because you can stay in shape. I love being an athlete and I am always on the field.

Emilee Jones, 4th grade, St. Ann's

It the year 1998 and I was playing basketball! It was an intense game in the school gym; it was 4th period. There were only 30 seconds left. The game was tied, and I had the ball. I shot a three pointer and missed, but luckily my teammate rebounded and passed back to me. I was nervous and sweating. There was an open space I could go thru to get the dunk. There was 5 seconds left. I went for the dunk. I jumped as hard as I could. I made it! My team had won the game thanks to teamwork.

Zack Heller, 6th grade, Hillander

About two years ago, I was in a baseball championship game on Bluebird Street. We knew we had to try our best. It was a tied game from the start, but the other team, the Blue Jays, was beating us, the Muck dogs. I realized it was about having fun. It was my turn to bat. I hit the ball and it went out of the ball park. We won thirty nine to forty. The other team was the second place winner. I learned that the sport was just about having fun.

Ryan Hernandez, 4th grade, St. Ann's

Today, we are in Amarillo. It's sunny and the perfect day for soccer. The two teams are warming up, FC Dallas and the Drifters. The game has started and it seems as if they are playing tag. One team scores then the other. The current score is 1-1. It is a very aggressive game. After the half, more tag for a 2-2 score. FC Dallas has the ball in the box but, oh no Drifters are grabbing her arms and pulling her back but no foul. Luckily 5 minutes later, FC Dallas dribbles up shoots, scores. Final score 3-2 FC Dallas wins. This proves playing fair pays off.

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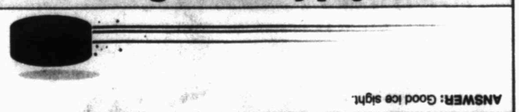
Standards Link: Grammar: Identify adjectives in writing.

What does an athlete need most to be a great hockey player?



ANSWER: Good ice sight.

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