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Stonegate Fellowship's senior executive pastor is leaving his post. Read about his memories of West Texas.

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GOODBYE, LOSING STREAK

The RockHounds, led by Ryon Healy and Jaycob Brugman, gave fans a a 9-3 victory with a pair of three-run innings at their home opener Thursday night.

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■ STATE OF EDUCATION

Pep talk emphasizes educational challenge, opportunity

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It appeared that midway through the fourth and final Educate Midland roll-out meeting that those in attendance were set for another bleak look at a district challenged academically like few others in Texas. But by the time the meeting ended, the audience saw that there could be a light at the end of the tunnel.

The statistics haven't been seen as promising at any of the three previous meetings, and Thursday night at Greater Ideal's Life Center on Midland's southeast side, it was much of the same. For many in the audience, the performance of Midland ISD's African-American students were of interest.

■ In third-grade reading, African-Americans are passing at a 49 percent clip, which trails the MISD average (65) and state average (77).

■ In Algebra I, African-Americans pass at a 53 percent rate. That trails the district average (68) and state average (81).

■ In college preparedness, 22 percent of African-American students are prepared, while the district average is 48 percent and state average is 54 percent.

There were reasons to wonder about the scope of the challenge in front of a community — the entire community — just like Midlanders had seen in the three previous meetings about the education initiative. Midland ISD, according to just about every academic indicator presented recently doesn't measure up. In the worst performing region in the state, Midland ISD lags.

Still, when Rosiland Perkins, a former teacher of 26 years and leader of Greater Ideal's impactful summer academic program, took the floor, no one was going to be allowed to feel sorry for themselves. Perkins gave a heartfelt endorsement of Educate Midland and the district's hardworking teachers. She provided a pep-talk/challenge to parents and community members that there was a light at the end of this tunnel, which symbolized an academic slump in Midland more than a decade in the making.

She said that God is no longer in his right place in today's classroom. She called for Midland to stop looking at students by race, because they are all kids and God doesn't see anyone by the color of their skin. She urged the community to be positive and to be active and

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Rosalind Perkins speaks Thursday at the final Educate Midland community meeting at the Greater Ideal Family Life Center.

Coming Sunday:

The Reporter-Telegram looks at the summer academic program at Greater Ideal Baptist Church.

Commission updates how road funding is determined

■ Project selection based on the numbers, such as fatalities, chairman Tryon Lewis says.

By Cassie Burton
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With more than 50 percent of Texas' traffic fatalities occurring in rural communities, the Texas Transportation Commission has been busy reorganizing how it determines which state highway projects receive funding, according to chairman Tryon Lewis.

The commission, which is appointed by the governor, oversees the Texas Department of Transportation.

The commissioners — a chairman and four others — have been steadily working to ensure a fair distribution of tax money, Lewis said Wednesday at the Midland County Republican Women luncheon.

"I think that your trust you placed in us is well-placed, and we're working every day to do something to make life better and safer," said Lewis, who was appointed to the commission in February 2015. "We do project selection based on the numbers (like fatalities)."

Lewis said that TxDOT had grown bureaucratic and is working to move over about 200 support positions into operations staff, or positions related to engineering, building, planning and constructing highway projects.

Rules were set so there is a rationale for which projects receive funding and in what order, in addition to making sure that rural areas were not neglected in favor of busy metropolitan areas, he said.

"I think based upon that, I feel like we're going to be able to say to you that we're going to prioritize things the right way," Lewis said. "We pick the projects that do the best good to the people and all over the state."

The Texas Legislature no longer diverts fuel tax revenue to other departments — such as the Department of Public Safety — and the passing of Proposition 7 led to $2.5 billion for roads.

The money came as a solution to both state and federal fuel tax funding, which was inconsistent because of the dip in prices, Lewis said.

During a question-and-answer session, audience members brought up their concerns about specific roads in the Permian Basin, including Highway 158 and sections of Interstate 20.

Lewis said after the luncheon that he planned to contact the district engineer and review areas that audience members mentioned.

"One thing I wanted to do was to be able to visit with (MCRW) about what we're doing. They work hard to get people in office to do the right things, so I basically wanted to do a report to them of what we're doing and why," Lewis said. "Second thing is to get feedback. We need to know the problems you're having."

Lewis, an Odessa attorney, is a former state district judge and representative for the state's 81st District.

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Midland oil company presented with spill allegations

By Morgan Lee
Associated Press

SANTA FE, N.M. — New Mexico oilfield regulators presented evidence Thursday that a Midland-based driller spilled oily salt water repeatedly at waste-water injections sites and oil wells without properly reporting it, and ignored initial warnings to stop operations.

The New Mexico Oil Conservation Division gave testimony and showed photographs and a video at a public hearing in Santa Fe to back up allegations that Siana Operating of Midland failed to report a spill of contaminated water and then significantly underestimated the spill after it was discovered by inspectors.

Further inspections in February turned up evidence of unreported spills of oil, salt water and other oilfield waste at several Siana wells. The spills took place among two clusters of wells outside Eunice in the southeastern corner of New Mexico.

A newly hired attorney for Siana asked for more time to respond and was given two weeks until the next hearing.

A violation finding from an adjudicatory panel would give state officials authority to ensure compliance or declare Siana wells abandoned, plug them and access security bonds.

Wastewater from drilling operations is typically delivered by truck to disposal sites like Siana's, where most oil is skimmed off before water is injected deep underground. As they reach underground for oil and natural gas, rigs in southern New Mexico also often draw up salt water from an ancient aquifer.

Siana is a major provider of well-water disposal services in New Mexico, operating two disposal wells that injected more than 13 million gallons

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The U.S. drilling rig count **fell nearly 80 percent** from its October 2014 peak, according to the EIA. See Page 2A.

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IEA: Oil glut to ease in second half of year

By Steven Mufson
Washington Post

The International Energy Agency said Thursday that it expected little impact from this weekend's meeting of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries in Doha, Qatar, but the agency said that oil prices would rise in the second half of the year as falling non-OPEC supplies and rising global demand bring the market into balance.

Crude oil prices have been climbing recently, in part in anticipation that OPEC would agree to freeze production at current levels or even trim output. But the IEA said "if there is to be a production freeze, rather than a cut, the impact on physical oil supplies will be limited."

Later in the year, however, crude oil prices could rise "well above" the current levels of about $40 a barrel, the IEA said.

Meanwhile, however, low oil prices are taking a toll on U.S. oil and gas companies and the banks that lend them money. U.S. banking giant Wells Fargo said Thursday that a $1.1 billion increase in non-performing loans to the oil and gas sector had pushed its nonaccrual loan total to $12.2 billion. The bank's provision for credit losses rose by $414 million from a year ago because of losses "primarily related" to oil and gas companies, Wells Fargo said.

Bank of America, which reported a drop in earnings on Thursday, said its provision for credit losses increased by $457 million, driven primarily by increased losses in the energy sector.

In other market news, the number of Americans filing for unemployment benefits fell last week, dropping to a level last seen in November 1973 as the labor market continues to strengthen despite lackluster economic growth. Initial claims for state unemployment benefits decreased 13,000 to a seasonally adjusted 253,000 for the week endING April 9, the Labor Department said Thursday.

And in Asia, currencies fell against the U.S. dollar after the Singapore central bank unexpectedly eased its interest rate policy. The rising U.S. dollar makes it harder for U.S. manufacturers to compete against their Asian rivals.

U.S. stock markets hardly budged after the opening bell Thursday. The Nasdaq dropped 0.14 percent in early minutes of trading, while the Dow Jones industrial average was level.

Crude oil prices have been a major factor in U.S. markets as the price for the benchmark West Texas Intermediate grade dipped below $30 a barrel in January, a 12-year low. While giving a boost to consumers and dampening inflation, low crude oil prices have rattled stock markets as well as bond markets where the struggling oil sector has been driving high default rates.

The IEA said Thursday that petroleum demand would grow 1.2 million barrels a day this year as India — where consumption is rising at an 8 percent annual rate — possibly replaces China as the "main engine of global demand growth."

Meanwhile, low prices have discouraged oil companies from investing and, as a result, the U.S. shale oil boom has dissipated. By early April, the U.S. drilling rig count had fallen nearly 80 percent from the October 2014 peak, the IEA noted. U.S. oil production reached as high as 9.6 million barrels a day in June 2015, according to the EIA, but this month slipped below 9 million barrels a day for the first time since October 2014.

Falling U.S. output is the main reason the IEA is forecasting a 700,000 barrel a day drop in non-OPEC oil production. "The much-anticipated slide in production of light, tight, oil in the United States is gathering pace," it said.

Lawyers: Teen treated unfairly

By Kate Brumback
Associated Press

ATLANTA — A Georgia high school senior says she was victimized twice — first when her ex-boyfriend shared nude images of her via social media and again when she was arrested for throwing water and cursing at him.

The 18-year-old student was shocked when a friend told her April 1 that a nude video and photos of her had been shared on the smartphone messaging app Kik. Male classmates at Newnan High School also shared images of other female students, she says.

Angry and embarrassed, the teen confronted her ex-boyfriend, who she said shared the video and photos of her. She cursed at him and threw water on him, she said. A teacher saw her outburst and took her to the principal's office.

It was the day before spring break, and she was suspended for the first day back after the break, which was Monday. She was told to come in with her parents the following day.

Several police officers were at the meeting Tuesday. After a brief conversation, she shook and cried as an officer told her to stand up and put handcuffs on her, she said.

She was charged with disruption of a public school, according to a police report. The misdemeanor is punishable by up to a year in prison and a fine of up to $5,000, said her attorney Gerald Griggs.

"We fully believe she was defending herself and defending her honor that had been violated by these gentlemen," Griggs said. "I don't think the school system or the police department handled this the appropriate way."

The Associated Press does not generally publish the names of alleged victims of sexual crimes.

Newnan police Deputy Chief Rodney Riggs said the charge was appropriate because a large group of students gathered around when she confronted her ex boyfriend.

"It took a number of faculty and staff to regain order and get people moving along to their classes, so there was a disruption to the school," Riggs said.

The girl has also been kicked out for the rest of the school year and it's not clear whether she'll be allowed to graduate, said another attorney Chris Stewart. Their immediate goal is to get the school to drop the charge and to allow her to finish the school year, Stewart said.

"This ruins her life because what if she can't get into college because of this charge," Stewart said. "It's just unfair."

Dean Jackson, a spokesman for the Coweta County School System, said the law prevents him from commenting on any matter that involves student discipline.

The police report says the teen walked up to her ex in the center of campus, threatened to kill him and threw a water bottle at him.

Exxon seeks to block subpoena over climate-change documents

Associated Press

DALLAS — Exxon Mobil Corp. is squaring off against government investigators who believe the energy giant covered up knowledge of how fossil fuels contribute to climate change.

Exxon went to state court this week in Texas to quash a subpoena issued last month by the attorney general of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The company says the investigation violates its constitutional rights to speak freely and to be protected from unreasonable searches and seizures.

Two weeks ago, Virgin Islands Attorney General Claude Earl Walker and his counterpart from Massachusetts announced they would join New York Attorney General Eric Schneiderman's investigation into whether Exxon misled investors and the public about the threat of climate change. Walker's office sent subpoenas to Exxon and a pro-fossil fuel think tank.

Exxon called the investigation an effort to silence the company in the public debate about climate change. It said the Virgin Islands official wants to go through decades of company documents in hopes of finding ammunition for his position in the debate.

Exxon, which is based in Irving filed a petition against the subpoena Wednesday in state district court in nearby Fort Worth. It named Walker and a Washington lawyer and law firm helping Walker as defendants.

SPILL

From 1A

underground in 2014. It has relatively small-scale oil and natural gas extraction operations at nine wells.

Oil Conservation Division emails and testimony show Siana was alerted to a spill at one of its sites in late September but did not report the spill until Jan. 11, and then falsely said two barrels of liquid escaped.

Photographs presented by the division showed a larger liquid spill and further salt deposits on the ground.

The State Land Office is making its own claims against Siana on accusations the company trespassed and damaged an injection well site outside Eunice on state trust lands after it stopped making lease payments years ago.

The company also has been asked to reimburse the state for about $20,000 to clean and fence off the injection well easement to prevent more truck deliveries.

Earlier this month, Public Lands Commissioner Aubrey Dunn offered in a letter to reduce Siana's obligations to $300,000, and delay collection of half the money.

Siana Attorney Robert Stranahan wrote back to say that Siana does not have sufficient funds to comply or make a counter-offer, and that the company would like to "find a workable solution to cure the outstanding issues."

State oil field regulators also say Siana has been injecting waste water at an unapproved depth at one of its wells.

High copper or lead levels seen in 19 Detroit schools' water

By Corey Williams
Associated Press

DETROIT — Detroit's hard-pressed school system has found elevated levels of lead and copper in nearly a third of its elementary schools, contamination that one expert says could be found nationwide, wherever school authorities spend the time and money to look.

The news gave parents in the 46,000-student district yet another reason to worry, and prompted the teachers' union to appeal for help from autoworkers, who trucked bottled water to a school where some students were drinking from bathroom sinks after the water fountains were shut down as a precaution.

"Our students want water all day long," Detroit teachers' union president Ivy Bailey said Thursday.

Nine of every 10 schools and day care centers in the U.S. are not required to test for lead contamination under federal law, since their water is already tested by municipal suppliers. But like most other school districts nationwide, Detroit has aging buildings with lead pipes and water fixtures that have parts made with lead — and that's where the trouble lies.

The testing was prompted by the crisis in Flint, where lead flowed from taps after state authorities switched that city's water supply from Detroit's system to the Flint River to save money. About 8,000 Flint-area children under age 6 have potentially been exposed to lead.

In Detroit, school officials discovered that even though the municipal water complies with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency standards, elevated levels of lead and some of copper were found in the drinking water fountains or kitchens at 19 of the 62 schools tested so far.

"It provides clear evidence that schools have to be proactive in finding and fixing these problems — it is not going to go away by itself," said Marc Edwards, a Virginia Tech professor who helped expose Flint's water crisis.

"Because the harm from lead is irreversible, finding and fixing lead in school problems is good news. The alternative is to do nothing and be willfully blind and allow even more harm to occur," Edwards said.

Lead is a neurotoxin that can damage child brain development, cause behavioral problems and sicken adults. Copper can cause gastrointestinal distress, and long-term exposure can damage the liver or kidneys.

District spokeswoman Michelle Zdrodowski characterized the levels of lead and copper as concerning but "by no means excessive or extreme."

On the high end, a lead sample from a water fountain at Brown Academy showed 1,500 parts per billion — 100 times the EPA limit of 15 parts per billion. Water from a kitchen sink at Priest Elementary-Middle School showed copper levels of 3,400 parts per billion — nearly three times the EPA limit of 1,300 parts per billion.

"What we want parents to know is that we did this because we want to provide the best, safest learning conditions for our students and really safe working conditions for our staff," Zdrodowski told The Associated Press.

The rest of the district's 93 buildings, where middle and high schoolers are taught, will be screened over the next two weeks, and the schools already showing elevated levels will get more intensive testing by an environmental consulting firm, she said.

Schools and child care centers across the country are testing classroom sinks and cafeteria faucets in the wake of the Flint crisis, trying to uncover problems and reassure parents.

But few are as financially pressed as Detroit Schools, which is paying for half of the $50,000 testing cost from its district budget and using a city grant for the rest.

Michigan lawmakers recently approved $48.7 million in emergency funding just to keep Detroit schools open this academic year. Republican Gov. Rick Snyder also is pushing a $720 million school restructuring plan to pay off the district's operating debt, and wants to spend $18 million over two years to test water in every state school.

The district, meanwhile, is working on detailed mitigation plans, to be shared with the Detroit Health Department to make sure all proper actions are taken, the spokeswoman said.

"There's no legal mandate that we had to do this," Zdrodowski said. "We just understood, given the time that we're in and the circumstances that we are facing — not only the state of Michigan but across the United States — that this was the right thing for us to do at the right time."

Parents are taking action, too.

Each of James Hardwick's three daughters grabbed bottled water Thursday before they left home for nearby Sampson-Webber Leadership Academy, where elevated lead levels were found. The school shut down its water system after some students were drinking from restroom sinks, prompting the teacher's union to reach out to UAW-Ford for help. The autoworkers' union soon delivered pallets of bottled water.

PEP TALK

From 2A

stop blaming each other for what isn't going as well as all Midlanders would like.

"Parents, let teachers know you care," Perkins said, adding that a concerned teacher will go the extra mile in a conference period or at another time to provide guidance on how a parent can make a difference with a child with work at home.

Perkins said not every student has two parents or even one parent who they see every day, and that the community can't afford to give up on those kids.

She said the time and resources not being spent now will come back to haunt the community if students go to jail or prison and a community ends up paying the price later on.

"Take the time to educate now," Perkins pleaded. "Do what you can with what you have."

She reminded those in attendance that too many people ask the school system to do too much.

Officials with Educate Midland, which includes Perkins, have said the collective impact process will help.

Collective impact, when implemented, is expected to provide a support system for the school district in areas — and with school campuses — that need help. Nonprofits, businesses, organizations, churches and student support groups are expected to be part of a collective impact model in Midland. Educate Midland board member Mark Palmer once used the old adage "it takes a village" to help describe the process.

An Educate Midland leadership team meeting today might help fill in some of the blanks of what will be expected of Midlanders in their village.

Ramona Bell, a native Midlander and member of the Carver class of 1967, attended Thursday's meeting and said she feels very good about the Educate Midland initiative.

She said the statistics about African-American performance in the district is a big concern, but "it is not a hopeless case.

"It is just up to us to do something about it." She said it was up to the entire community, not just one race or class of Midlander.

Perkins' comments before the 220 on hand brought a standing ovation from those in attendance, the lone standing ovation during the four-meeting introduction, which collectively drew around 850.

"We have lost our focus," said the Rev. George Bell, pastor of Greater Ideal Baptist Church. "Educate Midland is the glasses for our educational system."

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Solo Littlejohn, a fast food worker from Cicero, Ill., joins protesters calling for a union and pay of $15 an hour outside a McDonald's restaurant in Chicago on Thursday. The "Fight for $15" is part of an ongoing push targeting the world's biggest hamburger chain.

McDonald's stores targeted by protests for $15/hour, union

By Candice Choi
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Protesters calling for pay of $15 an hour and a union were at McDonald's restaurants around the country and overseas Thursday as part of an ongoing push targeting the world's biggest hamburger chain.

The "Fight for $15" campaign says low-wage employees including airport workers, adjunct professors and home care workers turned out to show their solidarity with fast-food workers. They say they're targeting McDonald's because of its ability to influence pay practices throughout the economy.

The push is being backed by the Service Employees International Union and began in late 2012, with striking fast-food workers in New York City. Since then, the growing demonstrations have helped make hourly pay a major political issue.

The success has prompted organizers to expand their push to energize new swaths of workers to fight for higher pay and unionization.

Organizers said strikes and protests were planned for cities including Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles and Miami. In Paris, about 100 people waving red union flags protested outside a McDonald's restaurant at Disneyland.

In New York, demonstrators were planning to march crosstown to a Republican gala in the early evening.

The campaign is taking place as McDonald's Corp. tries to reinvigorate its business and win back customers. This week, executives met with franchisees in Florida for a bi-annual convention and discussed plans for a rebound.

Lisa McComb, a McDonald's representative, said the company gives workers access to programs that help them earn high school and college degrees. She noted McDonald's raised pay last year at company-owned stores in the U.S., which account for about 10 percent of its more than 14,000 locations. The hike for starting pay was for $1 above the local minimum wage.

"We proudly invest in the future of those who work in McDonald's restaurants," McComb said.

McDonald's workers called those measures a publicity stunt that failed to address the difficulties they face.

Sepia Rasheen Coleman, a home care worker in Memphis, Tennessee, said she became involved in the Fight for $15 campaign after an organizer reached out to her on Facebook. She said she was initially dismissive, but was later awed by the support for workers she felt at her first demonstration.

Since then, Coleman said she has been to Washington, D.C., for training on organizing protests.

"This is a mission, this is something I need to do," she said.

Poll: Americans prefer low prices to items 'Made in the USA'

By Josh Boak and Emily Swanson
Associated Press

AP Photo/Bob Leverone, File

A "Made in America" tag hangs on a chest of drawers at a furniture factory March 16, 2012 in Lincolnton, N.C. The vast majority of Americans say they prefer lower prices instead of paying a premium for items labeled "Made in the U.S.A.," even if it means those cheaper items are made abroad, according to an Associated Press-GfK poll.

WASHINGTON — The vast majority of Americans say they prefer lower prices instead of paying a premium for items labeled "Made in the USA," even if it means those cheaper items are made abroad, according to an Associated Press-GfK poll.

While presidential candidates like Donald Trump and Bernie Sanders are vowing to bring back millions of American jobs lost to China and other foreign competitors, public sentiment reflects core challenges confronting the U.S. economy.

Incomes have barely improved, forcing many households to look for the most convenient bargains instead of goods made in America. Employers now seek workers with college degrees, leaving those with only a high school degree who once would have held assembly lines jobs in the lurch. And some Americans who work at companies with clients worldwide see themselves as part of a global market.

Nearly three in four say they would like to buy goods manufactured inside the United States, but those items are often too costly or difficult to find, according to the survey released Thursday. A mere 9 percent say they only buy American.

Asked about a real world example of choosing between $50 pants made in another country or an $85 pair made in the United States — one retailer sells two such pairs made with the same fabric and design — 67 percent say they'd buy the cheaper pair. Only 30 percent would pony up for the more expensive American-made one. People in higher earning households earning more than $100,000 a year are no less likely than lower-income Americans to say they'd go for the lower price.

"Low prices are a positive for US consumers — it stretches budgets and allows people to save for their retirements, if they're wise, with dollars that would otherwise be spent on day-to-day living," said Sonya Grob, 57, a middle school secretary from Norman, Oklahoma, who described herself as a "liberal Democrat."

But Trump and Sanders have galvanized many voters by attacking recent trade deals.

From their perspective, layoffs and shuttered factories have erased the benefits to the economy from reduced consumer prices.

"We're getting ripped off on trade by everyone," said Trump, the Republican front-runner, at a Monday speech in Albany, New York. "Jobs are going down the drain, folks."

The real estate mogul and reality television star has threatened to shred the 1994 North American Free Trade Agreement with Mexico and Canada. He has also threatened to slap sharp tariffs on China in hopes of erasing the overall $540 billion trade deficit.

Economists doubt that

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Still need more time? How to file a tax extension

By Sarah Skidmore Sell
Associated Press

Procrastinators rejoice: tax day is a bit later this year and if you still can't make that, there's still time to file for an extension.

The IRS traditionally requires that taxes be filed each year, on April 15, but because that falls on Emancipation Day this year, the deadline was extended to April 18. And taxpayers in Maine and Massachusetts, where Patriots' Day is observed on the 18th, have until the 19th to file.

If that's still not enough time, the IRS makes it fairly easy to get an extension.

So if you are running a bit late this year, here are a few things to know:

Don't panic

Seriously. Taxpayers who need more time to complete their return can easily request an automatic six-month extension from the IRS.

Don't get too excited, though: An extension provides more time to file a tax return, but no extra time to pay what you owe

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The IRS says the fastest and easiest option

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Things to do

■ Star Party with the West Texas Astronomers, dusk, Blakemore Planetarium, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Free. museumtx.org.

■ Bingo Night, 7 p.m., 501 Veterans Airpark Lane. 432-682-5511.

■ Friday Night Magic, 7 p.m., Hastings, 3111 W. Cuthbert Ave.

■ Hold 'em poker tournaments, 7 p.m., The Detour.

■ Clayton Gardner, 7 p.m. Friday at Beer Garden, 7112 West Highway 80.

■ Here Lies the Hero, Divides, RVLS, Moving Forward and Midnight Society. 7:30 p.m., Kamiposi, 410 S. Big Spring St. $5. All ages. facebook.com/kamiposi.

■ Gerardo Ortiz, Adriel Favela 8 p.m., Hacienda Event Center, 12610 SH 191. $50. Midessamusicfestival.com.

■ Dix Hat Band, 8 p.m., Fire Water Bar and Grill, 3113 W. Industrial Ave.

■ Texas Heat Band, 9 p.m., Detour Bar, 1706 Rankin Highway.

■ Whitman Drive, 9 p.m., Your Place, 3704 W. Wall St.

■ Dan Patterson, 10 p.m., The Boardroom, 3303 N. Midkiff Road.

■ Electric Cowboys at The Bar, 606 W. Missouri Ave.

■ Glovebox, 9 p.m., Hot Shots, 615 W. Wall St.

■ "La Cage aux Folles," presented by Midland Community Theatre, The Yucca, 208 N Colorado St. mctmidland.org.

■ "The Red Velvet Cake War" by the Maverick Players at VFW Hall, 409 Veterans Airpark Lane. $10-$15. Maverickplayers.org.

■ "Glowing" at Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd St., Odessa. permianplayhouse.com.

New movies in Midland

■ At Tall City 14: "The Jungle Book."

■ At Cinergy Cinemas: "Barbershop: The Next Cut," "Criminal," "The Jungle Book."

AAA: Gas prices up in Texas

COPPELL — Retail gasoline prices in Texas and across the U.S. are up this week.

AAA Texas on Thursday reported the statewide average rose 3 cents this week to reach $1.90 per gallon. Nationwide gasoline prices jumped 6 cents, to reach an average $2.10 per gallon.

Amarillo has the cheapest gasoline in Texas this week at an average $1.80 per gallon. Drivers in Dallas are paying the most at the pump with an average $1.97 per gallon.

Association officials say retail gasoline prices are likely to fluctuate as the supply of summer-blend gasoline continues to make its way to terminals nationwide. Analysts say the gasoline market is poised to be well-supplied as drivers enter the busy summer travel season.

Source: Associated Press

Gas prices in Midland

Cheapest gas: $1.73 (Sam's Club, SH 191/Tradewinds; Murphy USA, Midland Drive/Briarwood; Texaco, Briarwood/Northcrest; Alon, Midland Drive/Raleigh)

Most expensive: $2.09 (Chevron, Rankin Highway/ECR 135)

Most common prices: $1.89, $2.05

Cheapest prices in West Texas: Lubbock $1.69, Midland $1.73, Odessa $1.73, San Angelo $1.79, Abilene $1.81

	Midland	Odessa
Thursday	$1.957	$1.899
Last week	$1.867	$1.865
Last month	$1.802	$1.759
Last year	$2.258	$2.213

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

Lake Levels

(From CRMWD lakes)

	Contents (acre-feet)	Percent Full
Thomas	139,495	69.54
Spence	46,457	8.96
Ivie	66,795	12.05
Totals	252,747	19.87
Last week's totals	253,878	19.96

Source: Colorado River Municipal Water District

Watering schedule

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

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

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

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

The washing outdoor surfaces ban is still in effect.

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Daily 4 evening: 8-2-3-9
Daily 4 night: 0-6-8-4
Triple Chance: 3-22-30-31-32-34-45-46-47-48
Cash Five: 1-7-13-21-34
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All or Nothing day: 2-3-4-5-6-7-10-11-15-17-19-24
All or Nothing evening: 3-5-6-8-10-11-13-14-16-17-19-22
All or Nothing night: 4-5-6-8-10-11-12-13-18-19-23-24

Harris County Sheriff's Office via AP

In this undated photo released by Harris County Sheriff's Office, Harris County Deputy Constable Alden Clopton is seen. Clopton was shot multiple times from behind late Wednesday while talking to another constable following a traffic stop in Houston. Clopton was wearing a protective vest when he was shot and is expected to recover after undergoing several hours of surgery.

Man who walked into fire station quizzed on constable ambush

By Michael Graczyk
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Investigators questioned a man Thursday fitting the description of a gunman who authorities say ambushed a Texas deputy constable from behind following a traffic stop and gravely injured him.

The man showed up at a nearby fire station following the shooting, Houston police spokesman Kese Smith said.

No other information was released about him including what he may have told fire personnel when he appeared.

The man has not been arrested or charged, Smith said, adding that authorities were not actively looking for anyone else.

Authorities said Harris County Deputy Constable Alden Clopton was wearing a protective vest when he was shot four times from behind late Wednesday as the assailant stood on the other side of a four-lane road in a neighborhood just northeast of Texas Southern University. The vest likely saved Clopton's life, Constable May Walker said.

A motive for the shooting is unknown.

Asked if authorities believed the shooter was targeting law enforcement, Smith said that Clopton and another deputy constable he was assisting in the traffic stop were in uniform and had marked vehicles.

"I can't see how someone can mistake them for someone other than law enforcement," Smith said.

The suspect fired six shots, four of which hit Clopton, Walker said. Officials had said earlier that Clopton had a bullet lodged near his heart, plus abdominal wounds.

The other shots hit the other deputy constable's car and the ground.

"It was virtually an ambush is what it was," Walker said.

Constables in some regions are tasked with serving warrants and providing court security, but in the Houston area they generally provide the same policing coverage as other law agencies.

Clopton is an 11-year veteran of the force who is married and has five children, said Pamela Greenwood, spokeswoman for the Harris County Precinct 7 constable's office.

He comes from a law enforcement family, with three brothers who are law officers, and Walker said he's married to a Harris County sheriff's deputy.

According to Smith, the shooting happened after a female reserve deputy constable made the traffic stop and called Clopton to assist.

The vehicle that was pulled over had left and Clopton was standing outside the window of the female's officer's vehicle when he was shot.

After Clopton was shot, the female deputy constable got out and shot back, but it was unknown if she hit the fleeing suspect, Smith said.

The person who later appeared at the fire station did not have any injuries, Smith said, adding that the shooting was not related to the traffic stop.

Clopton is the second Harris County law officer to be shot from behind in an unprovoked attack in the past year.

Texas prosecutors in August charged a 30-year-old man with capital murder in the killing of sheriff's Deputy Darren Goforth, who was gunned down while filling his patrol car with gas in what officials described as a "senseless and cowardly act."

San Antonio woman accused of selling stolen luxury cosmetics

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — San Antonio police say they've broken a shoplifting ring that they say fed into a woman's online marketing of stolen cosmetics.

Celia Nichole Sanchez was released Thursday on $5,000 bond one day after her arrest on an organized retail theft charge. Jail records listed no attorney for the 27-year-old San Antonio woman.

A police statement says officers followed a known serial shoplifter to a house on the southeastern fringe of San Antonio. There, the subject was seen conducting a transaction with Sanchez for what turned out to be an assortment of high-end cosmetics from Ulta retail stores later valued at about $6,000.

Officers, entering the house and arresting Sanchez, found more Ulta cosmetics valued at around $4,000 that police say Sanchez was selling from her home and online.

Texas bans inmate social media profiles managed by others

By Michael Graczyk
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Texas prison officials are cracking down on social media accounts managed for inmates by friends or relatives while the prisoners themselves have no Internet access because they're locked up.

Texas Department of Criminal Justice spokesman Jason Clark said Thursday the agency has established a formal rule prohibiting inmates from possessing such accounts because many social media companies specifically bar people from operating an account in someone else's name.

Many of the companies also require corrections agencies to have a specific rule in place that bars offenders from maintaining active social media accounts, Clark said.

That rule is now part of the 134-page orientation handbook delivered to each Texas inmate.

"Offenders have used social media accounts to sell items over the Internet based on the notoriety of their crime, harass victims or victims' families, and continue their criminal activity," Clark said. "The agency will take all of the necessary steps to prevent that from happening."

He could not estimate how many of the state's 147,000 inmates at 109 prisons have social media accounts.

"When it's determined there is an active social media account in an offender's name, TDCJ will reach out to the company and request that account be taken down," Clark said.

The new policy "strengthens the agency's ability to request that an offender's social media account be deactivated," he said.

One inmate who had a Facebook account in his name deactivated is Elmer Wayne Henley, who is serving six life sentences related to at least 28 killings in the Houston area in the early 1970s.

The account was taken down earlier this year after jewelry and art items produced by Henley were posted for sale on the site.

Clark said the new policy wasn't in response solely to Henley.

"It really was that social media companies request specific policy that says offenders can't have active social media," he said.

Facebook spokesman Matt Steinfeld said Thursday in an email the company had no comment on the Texas prison policy.

He did not address questions on how many states have asked the company to block inmate access.

Facebook suspends accounts that violate its community standards guidelines, including accounts administered by third parties, and shuts down accounts in prisoners' names if the company is provided with a valid legal authority that shows inmates are prohibited from accessing Facebook.

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Carlsbad Caverns begins repair work on elevators

Associated Press

CARLSBAD, N.M. — Crews have started repair work on the elevators at Carlsbad Caverns National Park after they were out of service for months.

The Current-Argus reports that politicians, community members and tourists have all expressed frustration at the amount of time it's taken to address the broken elevators.

Caverns Superintendent Doug Neighbor says the elevators should be back in service by Memorial Day weekend if everything goes as planned.

Parks special affairs officer Valerie Gohlke says Spiked Industrial Solutions began repairs on the secondary elevators Monday. The contractor is currently working to remove lead paint from beams in the elevator shaft and reapplying protecting coatings.

Hall Machine and Welding Company is making steel beams to reinforce the shaft.

The park has been offering limited tours while the elevators are unavailable.

Sandia Peak owners eye mountain roller coaster in New Mexico

Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Sandia Peak owners want to build a mountain roller coaster to attract tourists to one of Albuquerque's top spots.

Sandia Peak Ski Company and Peak Dining LLC are asking for a $9 million Industrial Revenue Bond to build the roller coaster. The money also would be used for a new restaurant, bistro and bar.

Sandia Peak president Benny Abruzzo says coaster riders would start at the top of the tram, and zip down the mountain.

Bernalillo County commissioners agreed Tuesday to consider financial incentives.

The bond would be sold to investors and the company would pay that money back.

If Sandia Peak gets the funding, they hope to complete the mountain coaster and restaurant by 2018.

The U.S. Forest Service would have to approve any plans for a roller coaster.

MCSO seeks public's help in search for Midlanders

By Erin Stone
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Midland County Sheriff's Office is asking the public's help in the search for two Midlanders who have been missing since October, according to a press release.

Family members of Ashley Marie Cruz-Rodriguez, 20, and John Raymond Iglesia Alvarez, 21, contacted MCSO on Oct. 21 because they hadn't head from them since Oct. 1, according to the release. The couple's family lives in the Philippines.

The owner of the home where Cruz-Rodriguez and Alvarez were staying said that when she woke up on Oct. 10 she discovered they had left with all their belongings, according to the release.

"There was no explanation of why they left, no calls," Sheriff Gary Painter said. "We just don't know and that's the biggest thing is the unknown. We keep praying and hoping they'll turn up somewhere.

MCSO put out a missing-persons report in November.

"This is a follow-up and we're hoping there might be some leads from it," said Painter.

Anyone information should call the MCSO at 688-4620.

MPD: Man chokes child

From staff reports

A Midland man was arrested Wednesday for allegedly choking a child, according to court documents.

Flores

Freddy T. Flores, 53, was being held Thursday for a third-degree felony charge of assault of a family/house member impeding breath. As of Thursday afternoon, bond had not been set.

Midland Police Department officers received a report on Jan. 8 that Flores had choked a young child, according to the arrest affidavit.

Two days later, the child was interviewed at the Child Advocacy Center and said that Flores had grabbed him by the neck and choked him, according to the affidavit. The child said he was afraid of Flores, who had grabbed him around the neck once before, according to the affidavit.

The child confirmed that Flores choked him Jan. 7 and the red markings still were visible Jan. 10, according to the affidavit.

The affidavit doesn't explain the time span between the alleged offense and when Flores was arrested.

APNewsBreak: Slaying suspect said family made him leave

By Paul J. Weber and Jamie Stengle
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Court records show that a 17-year-old runaway accused in the campus killing of a University of Texas student claimed he left home because his grandmother's religious beliefs demanded that teenagers his age go "make their own way in the world."

Records obtained by The Associated Press show that Meechaiel Criner told police he walked and hitchhiked the 300-plus miles from his home along the Texas-Arkansas border to Austin last August.

A state child welfare agency also claimed in a filing that Criner's mother in 2011 threatened to make sure her son would "go to foster care."

Authorities say Criner will be charged with murder in the death of 18-year-old Haruka Weiser.

Criner is being held on $1 million bond.

POLL

From 3A

Trump could deliver on his promises to create the first trade surplus since 1975. Many see the backlash against trade as frustration with a broader economy coping with sluggish income gains.

"The reaction to trade is less about trade and more about the decline in people's ability to achieve the American Dream," said Caroline Freund, a senior fellow at the Peterson Institute for International Economics. "It's a lot easier to blame the foreigner than other forces that are affecting stagnant wage growth like technology."

But Trump's message appeals to Merry Post, 58, of Paris, Texas where the empty factories are daily reminders of what was lost.

Sixty-eight percent of people with a favorable opinion of Trump said that free trade agreements decreased the number of jobs available to Americans.

"In our area down here in Texas, there used to be sewing factories and a lot of cotton gins," Post said. "I've watched them all shut down as things went to China, Mexico and the Philippines. All my friends had to take early retirements or walk away."

Sanders, the Vermont senator battling for the Democratic nomination, has pledged to end the exodus of jobs overseas.

"I will stop it by renegotiating all of the trade agreements that we have," Sanders told the New York Daily News editorial board earlier this month, saying that the wages paid to foreigner workers and environmental standards would be part of any deal he would strike.

Still, voters are divided as to whether free trade agreements hurt job creation and incomes.

Americans are slightly more likely to say free trade agreements are positive for the economy overall than negative, 33 percent to 27 percent.

But 37 percent say the deals make no difference. Republicans (35 percent) are more likely than Democrats (22 percent) to say free trade agreements are bad for the economy.

On jobs, 46 percent say the agreements decrease jobs for American workers, while 11 percent say they improve employment opportunities and 40 percent that they make no difference.

Pessimism was especially pronounced among the 18 percent of respondents with a family member or friend whose job was offshored.

Sixty-four percent of this group said free trade had decreased the availability of jobs.

TAXES

From 3A

is through the "Free File" link on its website at IRS.gov. Anyone, regardless of income, can use this free service to electronically request an extension by completing Form 4868. This gives taxpayers until Oct. 17 to file a return. To get the extension, taxpayers must estimate their tax liability and pay any amount due.

Electronic payment

Another option is to make an electronic payment, such as through IRS Direct Pay, and select Form 4868 to indicate it is for an extension. Payments can also be made through the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System, or paying by credit or debit card online or by phone.

Tax preparer

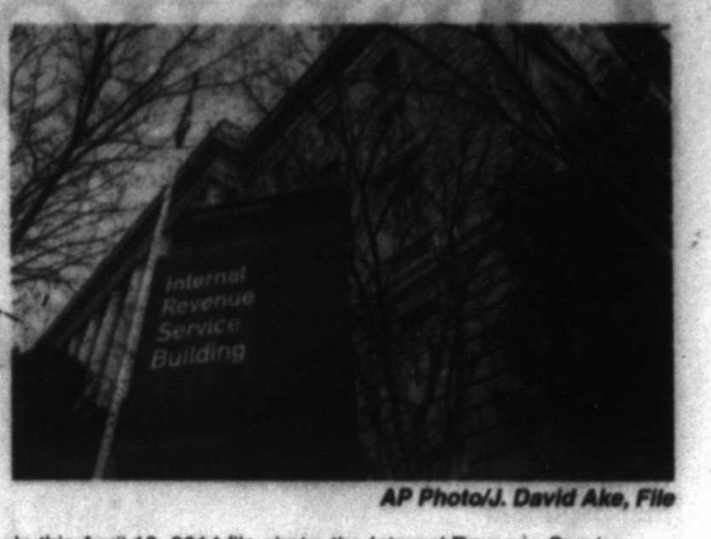
Taxpayers can also request an extension through a paid tax preparer or buy using tax-preparation software. They can also fill out a paper version of Form 4868, which can be downloaded at IRS.gov.

Automatic extension

Some taxpayers get more time to file returns without having to ask for an extension. This includes taxpayers who live and work abroad, military on duty outside the U.S.; those serving in combat zones and people in areas affected by natural disasters.

Whatever method you chose, the IRS reminds taxpayers to file their return even if they cannot pay the full amount. By filing either a regular return or requesting an extension, they will avoid the late-filing penalty, which can be ten times as costly as the penalty for not paying.

Taxpayers who pay as much as they can by the due date can also reduce the overall amount that would be subject to penalty and interest charges. If you cannot make your payment, contact the IRS about setting up a repayment plan.



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In this April 13, 2014 file photo, the Internal Revenue Service Headquarters (IRS) building is seen in Washington. The IRS traditionally requires that taxes be filed each year on April 15, but because that falls on Emancipation Day this year, the deadline was extended to April 18. And taxpayers in Maine and Massachusetts, where Patriots' Day is observed on the 18th, have until the 19th to file.

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INMATE

From 4A

The American Civil Liberties Union of Texas was critical of the prohibition saying the vast majority of prisoners return to their communities, where they rely on friends and family for support.

"This rule clearly fails to acknowledge the critical role of social networks in helping individuals overcome the challenges they face when re-entering our communities, such as finding steady and stable employment," Texas ACLU senior policy strategist Matt Simpson said.

"We already know the existence of such networks reduce the likelihood of recidivism, so it would be wise to use every tool in our toolbox to encourage successful re-entry and not create even more barriers."

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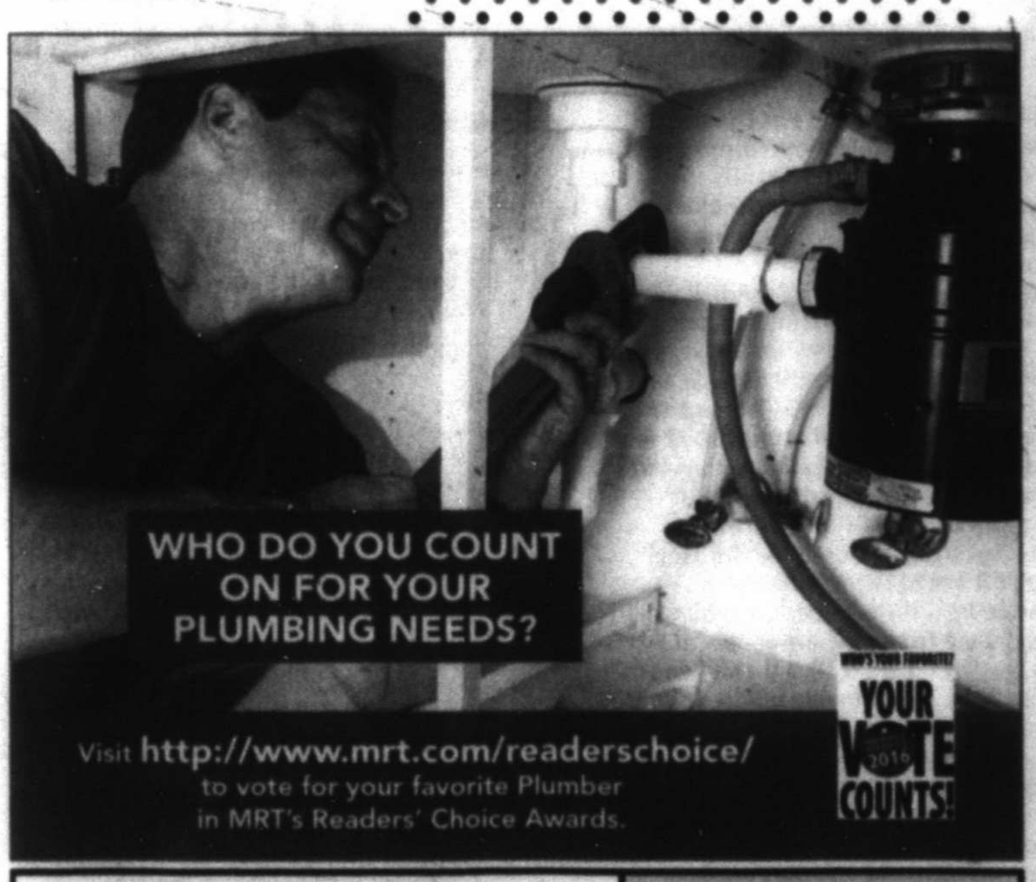
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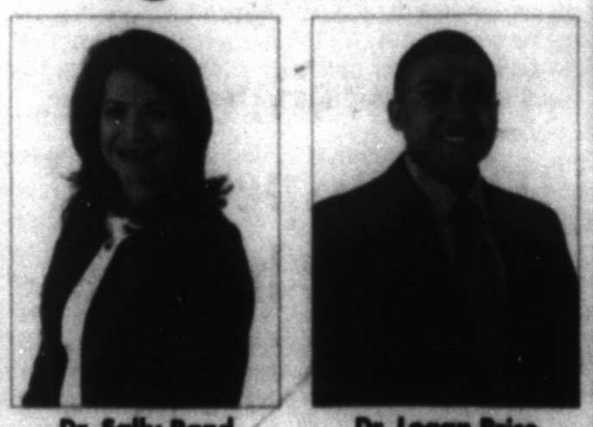
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Clintonism just died before our very eyes

■ Democratic Party has traveled far to the left since era of the former president

CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER
Washington Post Writers Group

How far they've come. And I'm not talking about the GOP, whose front-runner representing 37 percent of the Republican electorate has repudiated post-Reagan orthodoxy on trade, entitlement reform, limited government and Pax Americana (and possibly abortion, but who knows?). I'm talking about the Democrats.

The center-left, triangulating, New Democrat (Bill) Clintonism of the 1990s is dead. It expired of unnatural causes, buried — definitively, if unceremoniously — by its very creator.

The final chapter occurred last week when, responding to Black Lives Matter hecklers denouncing his 1994 crime bill, Bill Clinton unleashed an impassioned defense. He accused the protesters of discounting the thousands of lives, mostly black, that were saved amid the crack epidemic of the time because gang leaders and other bad guys got locked up.

Yet the next day, the big dog came out, tail between his legs, saying he regretted the incident and almost wanted to apologize. It was a humiliating, Soviet-style recantation obviously meant to protect his wife's campaign, which depends on the African-American vote to fend off Bernie Sanders.

You know Bill Clinton still believes his crime bill was justified. One cannot definitively prove causality, but it certainly contributed to one of the most radical declines in crime ever recorded in this country.

Moreover, the Black Lives Matter charge that the 1994 law was an inherently racist engine for the mass incarceration of young black men is belied by the fact that it was supported by two-thirds of the Congressional Black Caucus (including civil rights pioneer James Clyburn, D-S.C.), justly panicked at the time by the carnage wrought by the crack epidemic ravaging the inner cities.

It's one thing to argue that the law overshot and is due for revision with, for example, a relaxation of its mandatory-sentence provisions. It's quite another to claim, as does Black Lives Matter, that it was a vehicle by which a racist criminal justice system destroyed the lives of young black men. Hillary Clinton, catching up to Sanders, has essentially endorsed that view, demanding an end to "the era of mass incarceration" and the underlying maltreatment of blacks by police and the courts.

For the man who changed the image of the Democratic Party 25 years ago by daring to challenge the reverse racism of Sister Souljah to have to bow to this new — false — orthodoxy, symbolizes perfectly how far the Democratic Party has traveled since the Clinton era.

But the 2016 undoing of classic Clintonism hardly stops there. Take trade. It was Bill who promoted and passed NAFTA. Although Hillary criticized NAFTA when she ran in 2007-2008, as secretary of state she returned to her traditional free-trade stance, promoting and extolling the Trans-Pacific Partnership as trade's "gold standard."

Now dross, apparently. She came out against the TPP, once again stampeded by Sanders and the party's left, i.e., its base. She may not have sincerely changed her view, but there are only so many times you can flip-flop. She's boxed into the party's new anti-trade consensus.

Other pillars of her husband's internationalism were already toppled, pre-2016, by the Obama presidency, often with her active collaboration. At the core of Bill Clinton's foreign policy lay the notion of America as the "indispensable nation." It is today quite dispensable, indeed a nation in retreat — from (Hillary's) reset with Russia to the Iranian nuclear negotiations (which Hillary initiated with secret meetings in Oman in 2012) to the disastrous evacuation of Iraq in 2011.

As has happened with another of Bill's major achievements: welfare reform. President Obama has essentially dismantled its work requirements (with Bill Clinton's acquiescence, a sign of things to come). No need for Hillary to repudiate her husband's legacy. It's been done for her.

How far has the party moved left? Under Bill Clinton, it gave up on gun control after stinging defeats in the 1994 midterms. Today, Hillary Clinton delights in attacking Sanders for being soft on gun control. Malleable she is. And she sure knows her party.

It is nothing like her husband's party. Which is why she campaigns as Bernie lite — they share the same goals, she says, but she can get things done. Hence the greatest irony of all: For the last decade and a half, the main propellant for the Hillary-for-president movement has been the rosy afterglow of Bill's 1990s, the end-of-history era of peace, prosperity and balanced budgets.

Want it back? Vote Hillary. That's the tease. Yet a Hillary victory would yield a Clinton Redux animated not by Bill but by Bernie.

GUEST VIEW

Bill Clinton doesn't have to apologize for 1994 crime bill

Bloomberg

Bill Clinton got an earful last week from Black Lives Matter protesters in Philadelphia, and the former president responded in kind — and at length.

The dispute was over the 1994 crime bill, the most comprehensive criminal justice legislation in U.S. history. "Clinton crime bill destroyed our communities," a protester's sign read. Clinton argued that the bill had saved black communities, and black lives. He later expressed regret for his outburst. He shouldn't have.

The legislation paid for close to 100,000 additional community police officers, built new prisons, encouraged harsher sentences for crimes, and specifically toughened penalties for rape and domestic violence. Crime came down. Lives were saved. The alternate history, the one without the bill, would likely be filled with the stories of victims, many of them black.

The bill came with its human cost. The trend toward more and longer sentences — an ongoing increase that was actually greater before the bill passed — surely harmed some lives that otherwise could have been redeemed. This cannot be discounted. And yet to focus on this observation at the exclusion of all else would be a serious mistake. In fact, the current and vocal critique of the bill is one that can be reached only in hindsight.

It is a luxury afforded by the drastic decline in violent crime over the past 22 years. In the early 1990s, crime was rampant. Almost 11 million violent crimes were committed in 1994, including 23,305 homicides. That's nearly double the number of murders in 2014.

"If you weren't seriously worried about crime in 1994, you just weren't paying attention," wrote criminal justice expert Mark A.R. Kleiman in February, after the crime bill emerged as an issue in the Democratic presidential primary. "No one knew then that we'd seen the worst. All we knew is that the number of murders had more than doubled, that the total number of violent crimes had increased sixfold in the previous 30 years, that no reversal of trend seemed to be in sight, and that the street-level arms race financed by the crack trade had expanded the age range of killers and their victims down into adolescence."

Crime is an enormously complex phenomenon, one that may ultimately be more responsive to subtle social inputs than to blunt punitive measures. Quantifying the 1994 law's effects, tying it to the precipitous drop in crime over the subsequent two decades, will always be tricky.

The law is best understood as a democratic response to a crisis. Like all such responses, it was imperfect, dependent on political compromise and assumptions about the future. But it's doubtful this current debate would even be happening without a steep drop in crime. It's worth remembering that a safer society, more than any flaw particular to the law, has opened the political space to debate needed on sentencing reforms — and even to heckle a former president.

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NC legislation brings out hypocrites

■ Reaction of rock stars, businesses is absurd

MARK DAVIS
Dallas Morning News

The air hangs thick with hypocrisy and selective outrage as some Americans seek through their state legislatures to enact measures to balance LGBT interests and individual religious liberty.

The North Carolina measure that left Bruce Springsteen morally unable to belt out "Born to Run" for his Greensboro fans is the picture of compromise. Yet, once again, the left concludes that it has the market cornered not just on basic rights but on human decency.

For the record: North Carolina's House Bill 2 does indeed prevent men from entering women's bathrooms. But for those repelled by this, it also provides for reasonable accommodations such as single-occupancy facilities, and it even opens the doors for transgender people who have invested in their journey sufficiently to have their sex changed on their birth certificates. Private businesses, of course, are free to accommodate as they wish.

And this drives Springsteen out of the Tar Heel State? I will back off my opinion of him as a posturing fool when he refuses to cash two monster checks in mid-June from stadium shows in Germany, where gay marriage is illegal. And does anyone doubt that "The Boss" would gladly follow the Rolling Stones into Cuba, rolling out "Dancing in the Dark" in a land where basic liberties are trampled ever day? Spare me his hand-wringing about the evils of his fellow Americans standing up for their religious liberties.

Disagreements over these boundaries are fine. Different states will do different things. What is absurd is the holier-than-thou strutting of rock stars and businesses getting the vapors as if these states had reinstated slavery.

I'd like to hear from PayPal, a company choosing to deny jobs to North Carolinians, about their headquarters in Singapore, where same-sex acts behind closed doors carry a two-year jail term. Then we can hear about the business they are happy to do in Malaysia and the United Arab Emirates, where the transgender community is not as worried about getting into the proper bathroom as they are about staying out of prison.

If these mouthy objectors want to talk the talk, let's see them walk the walk. That won't be happening. It's a lot easier to bail on one concert out of 50 on a tour, or move a business out of a state or two, than it is to draw these opportunistic lines in the sand with honesty and consistency.

Meanwhile, in Texas, citizens seeking the type of protections approved in Houston last year will be slandered as bigots. Chief executives like PayPal's Dan Schulman will wring their hands about such efforts while rolling in money from operations in regimes punitive toward the very existence of the people they seek to champion.

And stories will continue to malign these efforts as "anti-gay" incursions on rights. Some rights debates are a two-sided coin; North Carolina, Mississippi and perhaps additional parts of Texas will seek to stand up for the "rights" of women who do not wish to worry if a biological man is in the next stall.

And again, these are debates that can properly play out, state by state, city by city. But the vilification heaped upon people for not taking the current day's favored side is an act of shameless political bullying.

The good news is that every chapter of this drama features people doing what they have a right to do. States may enact religious freedom measures or not, rock stars and companies may hyperventilate or not, and boycott people they disagree with or not. And those people are then free to decide whether they ever wish to do things like use PayPal or hear "Hungry Heart" ever again.

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Democratic presidential candidate, Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., right, argues a point as Hillary Clinton listens during a Democratic presidential primary debate at the University of Michigan-Flint on March 6 in Flint, Mich. The two candidates debated again Thursday night in Brooklyn.

Bitterly feuding, Clinton, Sanders clash in NY debate

By Julie Pace and Catherine Lucey
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Deepening their increasingly bitter feud, Hillary Clinton and Bernie Sanders aggressively challenged each other's judgment to be president in Thursday night's Democratic debate, sparring over Wall Street banks, how high to raise the minimum wage and gun control.

The showdown in Brooklyn came at a pivotal moment in the party's primary campaign, with Clinton leading in the delegate count but Sanders generating huge enthusiasm for his surprising candidacy. The debate also left no doubt that a rivalry that once centered on wonkish policy disagreements has turned strikingly personal.

The Vermont senator took a biting and often sarcastic tone as he sought to chip away at Clinton's credibility on issue after issue. He went as far as to suggest that her labeling of certain criminals as "superpredators" when she was first lady was "a racist term and everybody knew it was a racist term."

Sanders also cited Clinton's support for the unpopular Iraq war and for free trade agreements, as well as her willingness to accept money through a super PAC, as evidence that she lacks the needed judgment to lead the nation. Still, he backed away from previous statements questioning Clinton's qualifications, saying the former secretary of state does have the "experience and intelligence" to be president.

Clinton made little effort to hide her irritation with Sanders' implication that she is unqualified, saying that while she has been "called a lot of things in my life, that was a first." She repeatedly linked herself to President Barack Obama, who remains popular among Democrats, suggesting Sanders' criticism of her amounted to condemnation of the president.

Clinton also cast Sanders as a policy lightweight who is unprepared to implement even his signature proposals, including breaking up big banks. And she chided Sanders for chuckling during an exchange on gun control, an area where she has painted him as cozy with gun dealers and manufacturers.

"It's not a laughing matter," she said. "I take it really seriously because I have spent more time than I care to remember being with people who have lost their loved ones."

The debate was the first for the Democratic candidates in five weeks. It came ahead of Tuesday's primary in New York, a high-stakes contest with a huge cache of delegates at stake.

The raucous crowd Thursday night loudly cheered their candidates and occasionally booed their foes. In response, at one point Clinton said with a smile, "I love Brooklyn."

For Clinton, a win in a state that twice elected her senator would blunt Sanders' recent momentum and put his pursuit of the nomination further out of reach. A Sanders upset over Clinton would shake up the race, raising fresh concerns about her candidacy and breathing new life into the Vermont senator's campaign.

The Democratic primary has been fought for months on familiar terrain. Clinton has cast Sanders' proposals for breaking up banks and offering free tuition at public colleges and universities as unrealistic. Sanders has accused Clinton of being part of a rigged economic and political system, hammering her repeatedly for giving paid speeches to Wall Street banks and refusing to release the transcripts.

Clinton continued to struggle to explain why she has not released the transcripts, saying only that she'll do so when other candidates are required to do the same. She tried to raise questions about Sanders' own openness for not releasing his income taxes.

The senator pledged to release his most recent tax returns on Friday, and said there would be "no big money from speeches, no major investments" in the disclosures.

The candidates also sparred over raising the federal minimum wage, with Sanders expressing surprise as Clinton voiced support for efforts to set the hourly pay rate at $15, the level he has long backed.

"The secretary has confused a lot of people. I don't know how you're there for the fight for $15 when you say you want a $12-an-hour national minimum wage," he said. Clinton clarified that while she does support a $12 per hour federal minimum wage, she would sign legislation raising that level to $15.

Sanders, whose campaign has focused squarely on economic issues, showed more fluency on foreign policy than in previous debates, particularly during an extended exchange on the intractable conflict between Israel and the Palestinians. He urged the U.S. to be "even-handed" in dealing with both sides and said Washington must acknowledge that Israel isn't right all of the time.

Clinton highlighted her involvement with Mideast peace efforts as Obama's secretary of state, saying pointedly, "Describing the problem is a lot easier than trying to solve it."

Sanders has won a string of recent primary contests. But because Democrats award their delegates proportionally, he's struggled to cut into the lead Clinton took earlier in the voting. He's also failed to persuade superdelegates — the party insiders who can back the candidate of their choice regardless of how their states vote — to switch their loyalties from Clinton.

Clinton has accumulated 1,289 pledged delegates from primaries and caucuses while Sanders has 1,038. Her lead grows significantly when the superdelegates are added in: 1,758 for Clinton and 1,069 for Sanders.

It takes 2,383 to clinch the Democratic nomination. Sanders would need to win 68 percent of the remaining delegates and uncommitted superdelegates to reach that figure.

Despite his long mathematical odds, Sanders has vowed to stay in the race through the party's convention in July. Backed by legions of loyal supporters, he's amassed impressive fundraising totals that give him the financial wherewithal to do just that.

AP FACT CHECK: Clinton vs. Sanders on Wall Street

By Christopher S. Rugaber and Calvin Woodward
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Her intent was to mar the voting record of her rival. But Hillary Clinton also cast aspersions on the presidential record of her husband Thursday night in testy exchanges with Bernie Sanders over Wall Street regulation.

A look at some of the claims in the latest Democratic presidential debate and how they compare with the facts:

CLINTON: "I'm the only one on this stage who did not vote to deregulate swaps and derivatives, as Sen. Sanders did ... and that contributed to the collapse of Lehman Brothers and started the cascade."

THE FACTS: The legislation in question was signed into law by President Bill Clinton.

Hillary Clinton was in no position to vote for — or against — it because she was not in the Senate at the time. It's true that Sanders voted for the Commodity Futures Modernization Act of 2000, which deregulated many financial instruments that were later blamed for intensifying the 2008 financial crisis.

Once it passed Congress, Bill Clinton signed it. Hillary Clinton, who became a senator in 2001, is always quick to credit her husband's economic management, but in this exchange she essentially, if inadvertently, pinned part of the responsibility for the meltdown on the stroke of his pen.

She said the deregulation contributed to Lehman's collapse and that, along with a few big failures in the insurance and mortgage industries, "actually caused the Great Recession."

SANDERS: "When this campaign began, I said that we got to end the starvation minimum wage of $7.25, raise it to $15. Secretary Clinton said let's raise it to $12. There's a difference."

CLINTON: "I have said from the very beginning that I supported the fight for $15."

THE FACTS: It depends on what the meaning of "minimum" is. Clinton has said she supports legislation that calls for a $12-an-hour wage floor, and would encourage some cities and states to push it as high as $15.

The graduated scale is a response to concerns that some localities would not be able to support a $15 minimum without suffering a loss of jobs.

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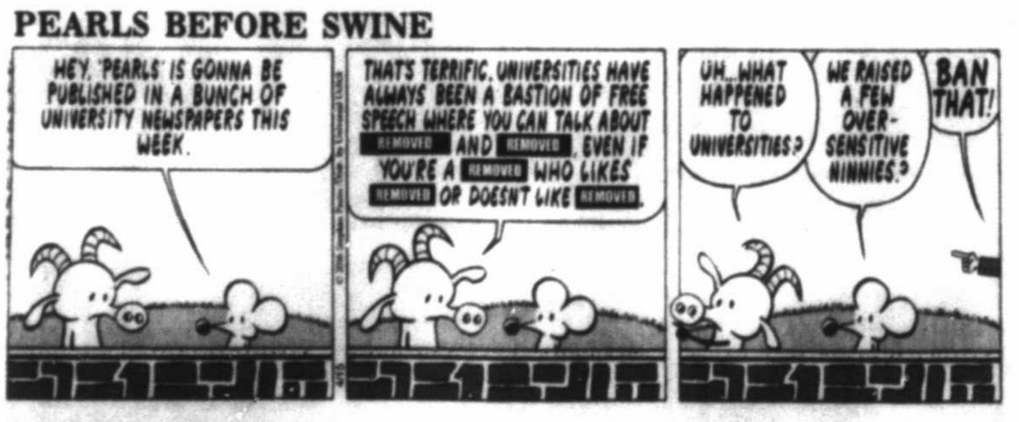

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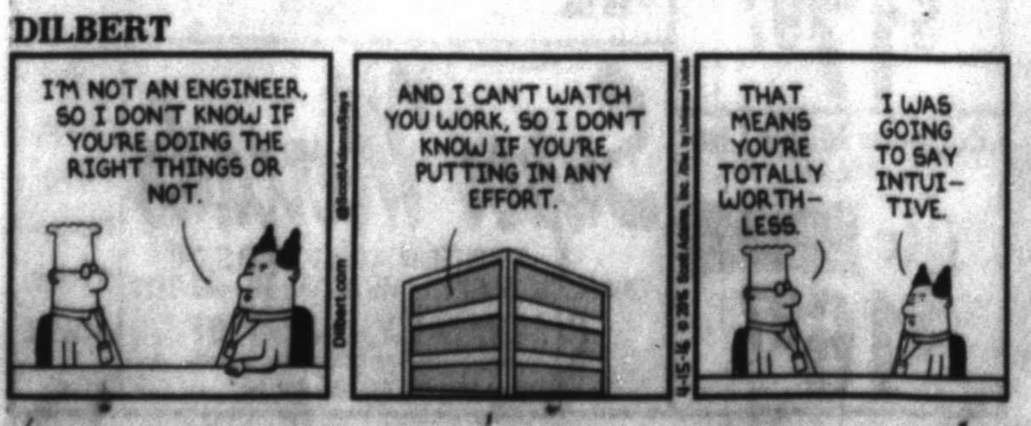

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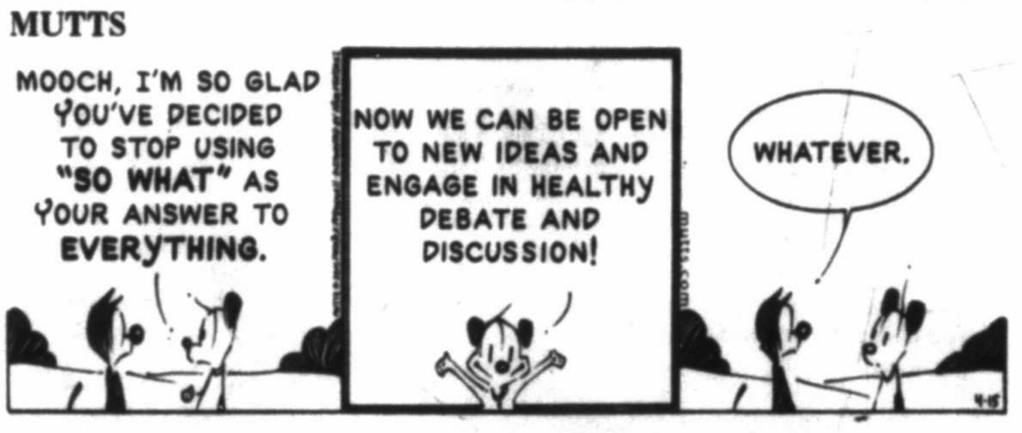

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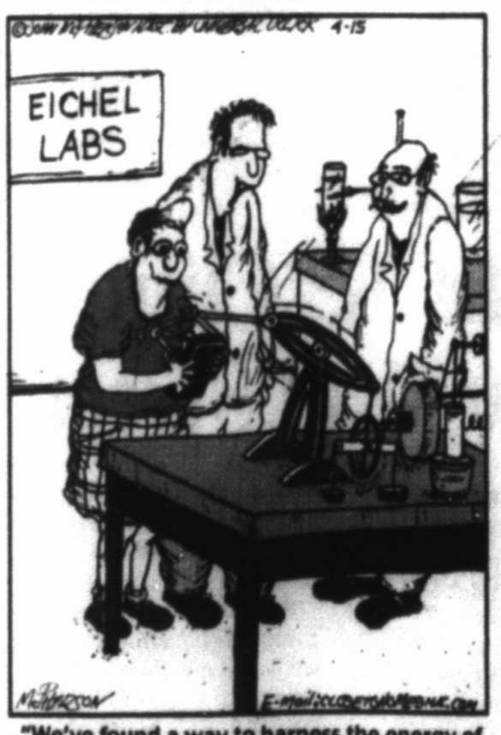

"We've found a way to harness the energy of kids' thumb motions when they are texting!"

DENNIS THE MENACE

"IS THIS GOOD FOR ME, OR WILL I LIKE IT?"

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"DOES ORDERING THE DIET PLATE MAKE ME LOOK FAT?"

FAMILY CIRCUS

"Why do we hafta clean up the house just because we have a new baby sitter tonight?"

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THIS WEEK

SATURDAY

COMEDY SHOW Christian comedian Tim Hawkins brings his brand of jokes and song parodies to Stonegate Fellowship. 7 p.m.

THURSDAY

BOOK TIME Third Thursday Reading will feature the book "Extraordinary Warren Saves the Day" with copies of the book given to each child. The monthly event is part of the Laura Bush Literacy Program. 4:30 p.m.

See more calendar items on **Page 5B**.

SPRING RAFFLE

The Midland Crime Stoppers 2016 Spring Raffle Fundraiser is underway. Tickets are $5 or five for $20 and available at the Midland County Sheriff's Office, TMP Hunters Supply or the Central Fire Deparment. The drawing will be held April 29 at the Bustin' for Badges Clay Shoot. For information about prizes or Crime Stoppers, call 432-684-9884.

SPARE CHANGE

Managing Editor Mary Dearen is participating in the 2016 Autism SHARE Walk, set for April 23 at Grande Communications Stadium. Her donation will include change she finds during her daily neighborhood walks.

Anyone who would like to contribute to the cause may contact Dearen at mdearen@mrt.com or 432-687-8852. You also may make a contribution at her walk fundraising page. Google "2016 Autism SHARE Walk" and type in Mary Dearen under participant.

IN NEED

FOSTER GRANDPARENTS needed. Low-income seniors can earn a modest stipend while mentoring at-risk children. Visit seniorlinkmidland.org or call 432-689-6693.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES Midland Volunteer Connections offers an online list of volunteer opportunities in Midland. Visit midlandvolunteerconnections.com for current needs by area nonprofits.

MEALS ON WHEELS Volunteers are needed this summer for the Meals on Wheels program. Call 432-689-6693.

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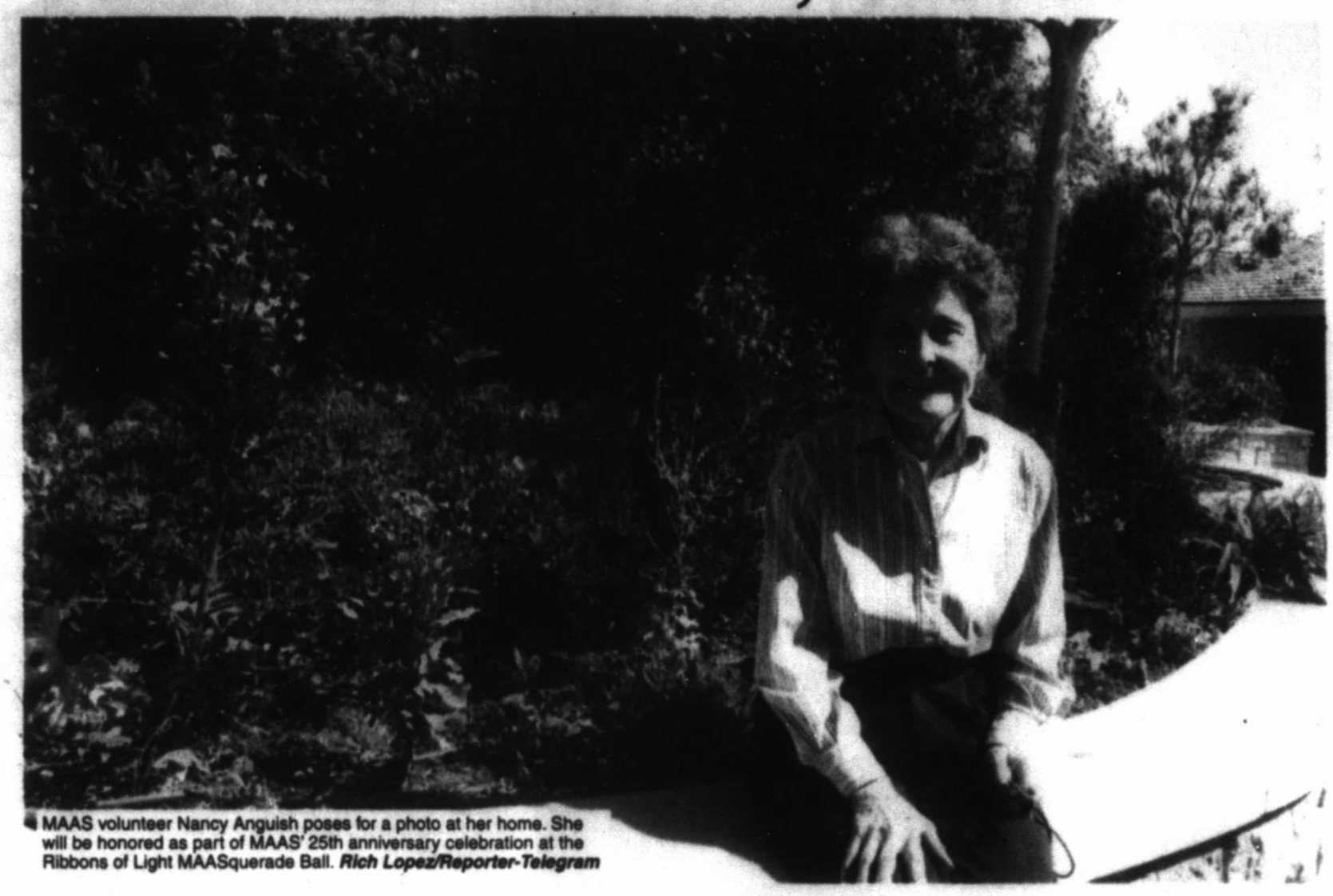

MAAS volunteer Nancy Anguish poses for a photo at her home. She will be honored as part of MAAS' 25th anniversary celebration at the Ribbons of Light MAASquerade Ball. *Rich Lopez/Reporter-Telegram*

MAAS to honor Anguish for longtime service

By Rich Lopez
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Initially, volunteering was a way to fill Nancy Anguish's time. But her time and service to area nonprofits and organizations has had a deep impact — particularly with Midland/Odessa Area AIDS Support.

MAAS will honor Anguish's efforts and support April 23 at the Ribbons of Light MAASquerade Ball, which also celebrates the agency's 25th anniversary.

If you go

The Ribbons of Light MAASquerade Ball, 6:30 p.m. April 23 at Midland Country Club, 6101 N State Highway 349. $175. Ribbonsoflight.org.

"It feels wonderful to be honored," Anguish said. "I don't know that I have done a lot of things but it has been very fulfilling."

Founded by Judy Warren, MAAS provides AIDS, HIV and STD awareness and prevention education. Anguish helped Warren and the organization launch the inaugural fundraiser.

"I funded the organization myself for the first five years," Warren said. "Nancy came in and helped me start our very first fundraiser. She organized the group, got the volunteers, and that really set us on our way. She has always been a strong supporter."

Anguish also helped to start the Aphasia Center of West Texas. Both agencies are comparatively safe places for their clientele — a notion that's not lost on the longtime volunteer.

"It's most amazing to see who comes in and gets the help they need. They come in devastated or embarrassed but they know what to expect and get the help they need. That's the best thing. To help them and provide that safe place," Anguish said.

The nonprofit organization serves more than 400 clients.

Please see **ANGUISH/5B**

MCRC recognizes volunteers and kicks off 60 years celebration

By Trent Johnson
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To officially kick off the Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center's 60th anniversary, the nonprofit held a ceremony Thursday night celebrating its volunteers, specifically highlighting the contributions of the Children's Service League.

"We're here because of them," said Gail Heathington, MCRC development director. "They owned this building until 2001."

Events for the MCRC 60th anniversary

- Spring Dance Recital, 6 p.m. May 3 at MCRC, 602 Ventura Ave.
- Bikefest, 9 a.m. May 14 at MCRC.
- Children's Camp, June 27 to July 14 at MCRC.
- Take the Money and Run, 6 p.m. on Sept. 22 at MCRC.
- Play Day, 9 a.m. Oct. 1 at MCRC Barn, 4407 Meadowlark Lane.
- Dance Recital, 6 p.m. Dec. 5 at MCRC.

Although therapists do most of the work of attending to the needs of children, volunteers often pick up the slack in other areas such as manning the phones, playing with children and tidying up.

Please see **MCRC/5B**

Scott Hall to depart Stonegate to lead Fort Worth church

By Trent Johnson
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After nearly 11 years of service at Stonegate Fellowship, Scott Hall will leave his post as the church's senior executive pastor. He led his final service last week and will be honored at a reception celebrating the relationship Hall and his family have enjoyed for more than a decade.

Hall

On May 1, Hall will lead his first service at his new post, Harvest Church in Fort Worth. As senior pastor, Hall is looking to help connect with people in a bigger city. Before his reception, the Midland Reporter-Telegram talked with Hall about some of the memories and ideas he'll take from his stay in West Texas.

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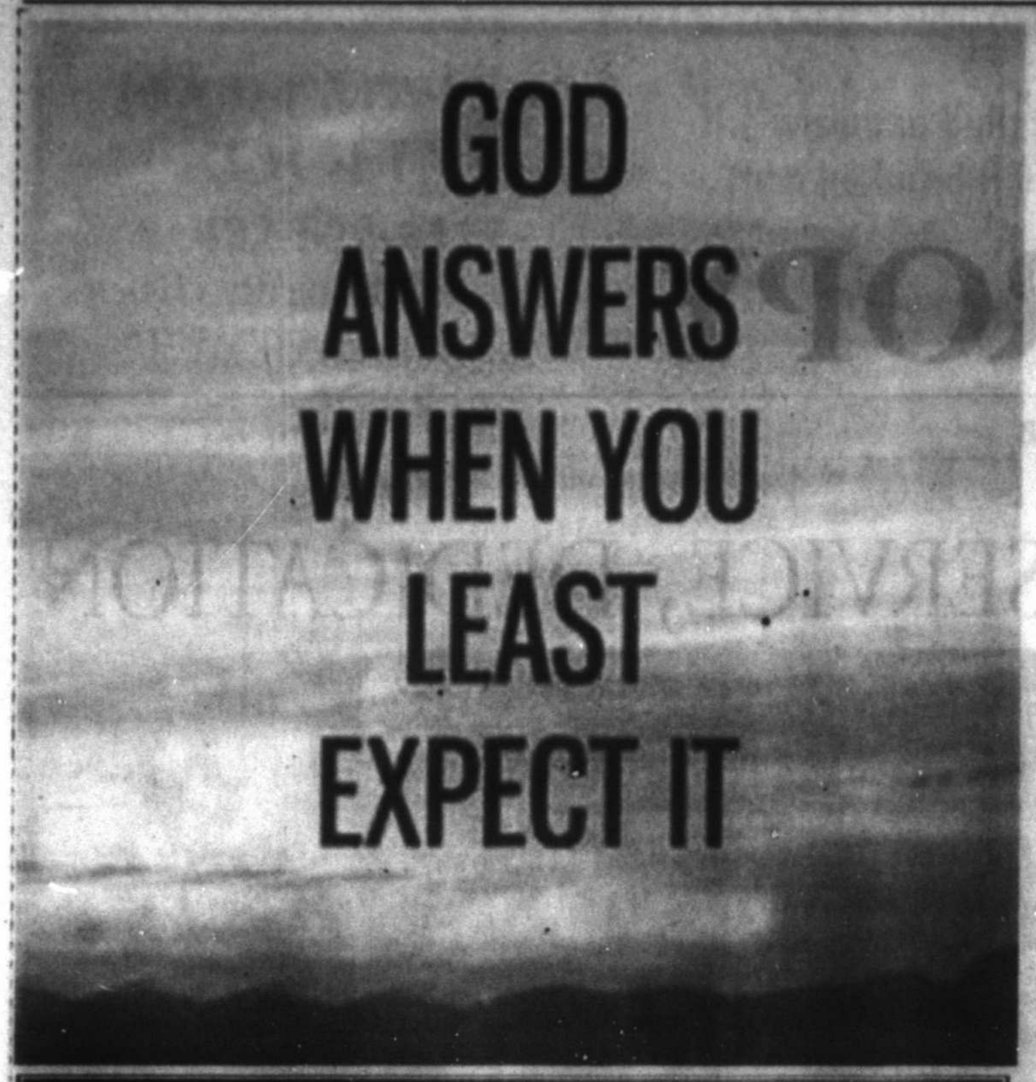

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Obituaries

Carol Yates Switzer

Carol A. Hayes Yates Switzer, beloved mother, grandmother, and sister, departed this world March 28, 2016 surrounded by her family. She was 81 years old.

Carol was born August 21, 1934 in Springfield, Illinois to parents Kenneth E. and Carrie Grooms Hayes. She resided in Decatur, Illinois for many years. In 1969, she married Jack D. Switzer and moved to Midland, Texas. Carol loved Texas and said she may not be a native, but got here as fast as she could.

Carol lovingly raised seven children. She was an amazing mother with never-ending patience and an understanding heart. She nurtured, encouraged, and supported her children, instilling values and integrity. She saw the good in everyone, and people were naturally drawn to her. Her zest for life, sense of humor, and wonderful laugh were well known.

Carol was brilliant in mind and spirit, artistic, outgoing, with a broad range of interests. She had a passion for family history and genealogy, was an avid reader, gardener, hobbyist, and birdwatcher. She studied the birds of Texas, enjoying many birding expeditions with her daughter Caryn.

In her younger days, she enjoyed camping and fishing with her family, and outfished everyone. She was a champion carp fisherwoman. She loved playing indoor and outdoor games with her children and their friends at a home where everyone was welcome.

Carol had an unquenchable thirst for knowledge, travel, places and people. Her greatest love was her family, all of whom adored her.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Jack Switzer; her stepdaughter, Nancy New; son, Cary Yates; sister, Linda Blair; and brother William Hayes.

Carol is survived by her brother, Charles Hayes of Shelbyville, Indiana; her children: daughters, Tracy Yates of Midland and Caryn Stoner of Odessa; sons, Kenneth Yates and wife Leslie of Utah, and Kevin Yates and wife Paula, and Chris Yates and wife Cheryl, all of Midland; grandchildren, Karrie Yates, Shay Wright, Tyler Yates, Phillip Yates, Mandy Marquez, Misty Yates, Samantha Lopez, Adria Sowell, Taylor Rountree, Bailey Yates, Misty Pace, and Marissa Lovera; as well as many step-grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Carol touched many lives and will be deeply mourned and missed.

A memorial service will take place at St Paul United Methodist Church in Midland on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

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Clifton Wilderspin

Clifton "Cliff" Wilderspin, 94, passed peacefully in his sleep on the morning of April 7, 2016. He was born February 23, 1922 to Clifton and Alta "Estelle" Wilderspin in Grand Saline, Texas. It was the challenging experiences of his youth that inspired him to strike out into the world.

After graduating from Paschal High School in Ft. Worth Texas, Cliff joined the National Guard in 1938, and was then assigned to the 56th Army Calvary Brigade, where he served as Platoon Sergeant at Fort Brown in Brownsville Texas, until 1942. Later he served with the Army Air Corps where he trained bombardiers. Upon moving to Midland in 1947, Cliff worked with Pure Oil Co. as a scout, and for Honolulu Oil Co. and ultimately transitioned into a lengthy career as an Independent Landman. In 1965 Cliff partnered with Bernie House to form the independent land brokerage company called Wilderspin & House, Inc. He remained in the oil and gas industry for the rest of his days. Cliff was a member of the American Association of Petroleum Landmen; Permian Basin Landman's Association and New Mexico Landman's Association. Cliff was a member of the Masons and he was an active supporter of the Shriners Children's Hospitals.

He married Terrence Kearney in November of 1943 in San Angelo and had one daughter, Cheryl. Cliff and Terry bought a ranch in Las Vegas, New Mexico in the early 1980's. They raised cattle and bred and raised race horses, which was a passion of Cliff's for 36 years. In his younger days, he enjoyed playing Polo, golfing, hunting and fishing. He also acquired his pilot's license in 1956 and enjoyed flying planes for many years. Cliff and Terry loved Midland, their friends, family and of course, their dogs.

Those who knew him best remember Cliff as a kind but strong man. Cliff will always be remembered for his ornery personality and eyebrow raising advice. He was always quick to help a friend, and was equally as quick to tease a friend in good natured jest. He was a master story-teller and captivated many an audience with tales ranging from humorous to heartbreaking. His second home was found out at Midland Country Club, where his wit and company was most often shared around a game of gin.

We thank you all for your generosity, friendship and support of "Cliff". A special thank you to the staff and volunteers at Hospice of Midland. We appreciate all of your time and thoughtfulness. He was in great hands with all of you and we are grateful to have had such loving, caring people around to help.

Cliff is preceded in death by his parents, his wife, daughter and sister, Roberta Reuter. He is survived by three grandsons, Dustin Pannell and wife Christine of Midland, Texas; Colton Pannell and wife Melissa of Aledo, Texas; and Nathan Pannell of Midland, Texas. Also, three great grandchildren, Sydney Pannell, Ryan Pannell and Katelynn Pannell. His nephew, Bob and wife Karen Reuter and family, and cousin Jack Wilderspin and family, from Cambridge England.

Cliff was an oilman, rancher, cowboy and friend who lived a long and fulfilling life, bringing laughter and love to all who knew him. He will be deeply missed.

Cliff's wishes were to have his ashes spread at the family ranch in New Mexico. A memorial service will be held at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home Chapel in Midland Texas, Saturday April 16, 2016 at 1:00 pm. Immediately following the service, the family will receive friends to honor and celebrate the life of Cliff, at the Midland Country Club. In lieu of flowers please make donations to Hospice of Midland or charity of your choice.

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

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Donnette Schwisow

Donnette Schwisow was born November 22, 1940 in Elk City, Oklahoma to Donovan and Sadie Martin. She was a graduate of Harlingen High School and Southern Methodist University. She earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in French and Spanish. She also attended the University of Mexico in Mexico City.

Donnette was co-owner with Barbara Tom Jowell of Life Strategies, a seminar/consulting firm for people facing life changes. She and Ms. Jowell authored the book After He's Gone: A Guide for Widowed and Divorced Women.

Donnette was an active member of St. Luke's United Methodist Church and served as chairwoman and coordinator of the Lay Shepherd Program. Additionally, she actively volunteered and served the community of Midland. As part of the steering committee, she helped to establish The Family Wellness Center and Hospice of Midland. She also served as president of the Junior League of Midland and The Minuet Club. She served as secretary-treasurer on the board of Clearview Hospital.

Additionally, she was involved with MOHRE, the Museum of the Southwest, Community and Senior Citizens Inc. and the Midland College Advisory Council. She was a member of Chi Omega sorority.

Donnette loved the sports of tennis, jogging, and walking. She and husband Ron were avid travelers. She gathered weekly with a group of women who came to be known as the "Lunch Bunch." Donnette was truly a faithful and devoted wife, stepmom, grandma and friend.

Donnette is preceded in death by her parents, Don and Sadie Martin; her brother, George Martin; her first, husband Mac Williams; and her stepson, Tom Schwisow.

She is survived by her husband, Ron Schwisow; her stepson, Jay Schwisow and his wife Kristi; and her grandchildren, Neil, Kayla, Amber, Joshua, Mercy, and Melissa; and by her great-grandchildren, Lacy, Jerusha, Norah, and Emory.

Memorials may be directed to St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3011 West Kansas, Midland, Texas 79701 or Hospice of Midland, Inc. P.O. Box 2621, Midland, Texas 79702.

A memorial service will be held at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 3011 West Kansas, Midland, Texas at 10:00 am Saturday April 16, 2016.

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Doris Munger

Doris Munger, 85, of Midland passed away on April 6, 2016. A memorial service will be held at 2:00pm on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at Christ Church Anglican, 5501 North Midkiff Road, Midland, TX 79705. Prelude music beginning at 1:45pm by cousin Andrew Callimahos and daughter Marilyn Munger.

Doris Amaryllis Dritsas was born on August 4, 1930 in New York City, New York to Athanasios Constantine Dritsas and Helene Andreou. She was a first generation American of Greek descent and lived a life filled with the joy of music. She grew up in a very musical home and received her early training in violin and voice from Haig Papazian and Zvi Zeitlin of the Julliard School. She graduated from Music and Art High School and Hunter College in New York City and received a scholarship to study orchestra and chamber music at the Berkshire Music Center of Tanglewood where she met her future husband, clarinetist Leland Munger. Throughout her life and career, Doris performed in numerous professional orchestral, choral, and chamber music organizations and churches in San Antonio, Austin, Big Spring, and Midland, Texas, St. Louis, Missouri, Boulder, Littleton, Vail, and Aspen, Colorado, Incline Village, Carson City and Reno, Nevada and Rome, Italy. In addition to performing, she taught music in public and private schools and colleges as well as private lessons in her home. Doris was a loving mother and aunt and instilled a love of music in her children and was a joyful participant in life with her large extended family and friends. She had a generous and adventurous spirit and she loved to travel and inspired all who knew her with her wit and enthusiasm.

She is preceded in death by her parents; sisters, Aurelia Marie Horner and Gloria Gene Tchor; and brother Constantine Athanasios Dritsas.

She is survived by her son, David Munger; daughter, Marilyn Munger; daughter and son-in-law Diana and Steve Manweiler; grandson, Zack Manweiler; sister, Anna Theresa Tough; former husband Leland Munger; cousins; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be donated in her name to Christ Church Anglican Music Ministry.

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Ethel Price Kelly

Ethel Price Kelly passed away on Sunday, April 10, 2016.

She was born on July 11, 1943 in Elizabeth City, North Carolina to Carlton and Venus Price. Shortly thereafter, she moved to Midland, Texas.

Viewing will be on Friday, April 15, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at Thomas Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at the Thomas Funeral Home Chapel.

Jerry Jones

Jerry L. Jones, 74, passed away Tuesday, April 12, 2016, in Lubbock. Visitation will be held from 5:30-7:00 pm on Friday, April 15, 2016, at George Price Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held on Saturday, April 16, 2016, at 10:00 am in the George Price Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will be held at 3:00 pm on Saturday, April 16, 2016, in Willow Cemetery in Haskell, Texas.

Jerry was born August 31, 1941 in Haskell to parents Leslie Oscar and Marcille (Frazier) Jones. He graduated from Haskell High School in 1960 and served our country in the United States Army. Jerry retired after 29 years as field foreman for Amoco Production. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening and playing with the grandkids.

Preceding him in death are his parents, and nephew Keith Stevenson. Jerry is survived by his wife, Linda Jones; son, Kyle Jones and wife Tara of Midland; brother, Bobby Jones of Haskell; sister, Jeanette Stevenson of Merkel; and grandchildren, Jaxon and Harlow Jones.

Julia Quiroz

Julia Olivas Quiroz was born April 6, 1918 in Monte Bustillos Ojinaga, Chih. Mexico. She went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at her home in Midland, Texas. She was preceded in death by her husband Bonifacio Quiroz, and daughters Elpidia Q. Lopez and Antonia Gomez.

She leaves to cherish her memory her children, Macaria Ramirez and husband Daniel; Ignacio Quiroz and wife Armida; Eulogio Quiroz and wife Linda; and Martina Rivera and husband Sam.

Julia is also survived by 21 grandchildren, 45 great grandchildren, and 5 great-great grandchildren.

Viewing and Rosary will be at 7:00pm Friday, April 15, 2016 at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home. Mass will take place on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at 9:00 am at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Fairview Cemetery.

Funeral mass is under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to: *pipkin@nts-online.net.*

Lewallen Garcia Pipkin Funeral Home
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Ramona Schall

Ramona Shults Schall - wife, mother, daughter, artist and friend to many - died Wednesday, April 13, 2016 in Midland, Texas, just short of her 96th birthday.

Ramona was born the 15th of April 1920 to William and Marjory Shults in Whittier, California. She spent most of her childhood in Oklahoma. Ramona graduated as valedictorian from Seminole High School in 1938 and went on to East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma where she graduated with honors. Ramona taught elementary school for several years in Seminole, Oklahoma.

Ramona married Fritz William Schall on July 14, 1946. Fritz's career with Mobil Oil took them to many locations with frequent moves, sometimes only staying in a location for a few months. They lived in various cities in Oklahoma, Kansas, Texas and Alaska over the years. They shared many adventures and had a wonderful and loving life together. They returned to Midland, which they considered home, in 1977 and Ramona has lived in Midland since.

Names and dates can provide an outline of a life, but not its colors or its character. Ramona will be remembered as an artist with needle and thread - her hands were the exit of her spirit. She made exquisite clothing for herself, her daughter and granddaughter over the years. Several of her stitcheries and wearable art have won awards in local shows. She was a co-founder and member for 20 years of the Banner Committee at First Methodist Church of Midland that made many banners that hang in the church. She also embroidered some of the altar cloths and vestments for the church. In addition to being an accomplished seamstress, Ramona loved painting, gardening and was an excellent baker well known for her pies and cakes.

Ramona was preceded in death by her husband, Fritz Schall, who passed away in 1977 and her son, Michael Schall, who passed away in 2013.

She is survived by her daughter, Karla Schall Colle and husband, Thomas, of Magnolia TX; her granddaughter, Beth Allison Colle of Tomball, TX; her daughter-in-law, Galina Schall of Spring, TX; her cousin, Betty Barb of Midland, TX; and her sister-in-law, Elsie Schall Morris of Seminole, OK.

The family would like to thank her caregivers, especially Lucy Cotton, Susie Martinez, Edie Pando, and Andrea Laing from Laing's Home Health Care who so lovingly cared for Ramona which allowed her to stay in her own home. The family requests that in lieu of flowers donations should be made to Hospice of Midland, The Recording Library of West Texas, First United Methodist Church of Midland or a charity of your choice.

A memorial service will be held at 4:00 pm, Saturday, April 16, 2016 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel in Midland, Texas with interment in Seminole, OK at a later date.

From a woman's soul, through a woman's eye, by a woman's hand.

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

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Susan Margaret Tennis

Susan Margaret Tennis was born in Liverpool, England on June 17, 1955 and died peacefully at home in Everman, Texas, encircled by her loving family, on April 9, 2016 after months of struggle with ovarian cancer.

Sue was brought up on crofts in Aberdeenshire, Scotland and worked in Aberdeen during the early days of the North Sea oil fields. She came to live in Odessa in 1979. Sue's career included spells at the Petroleum Club, the Plaza Club, and

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Greentree Country Club in Midland and ended at The Colonial Club, Fort Worth, where she was banquet manager.

She was preceded in death by her son, Mike Lawhon; her mother, Barbara Stephen; and her father, John Des Fountain.

She was a beloved mother to Barbara, Brian and Katrina, and by extension to Jeff, Morgan, Jared and Sarah. She adored her grandchildren, Ethan, Logan, and Callum; Tyler and Clara; and Sabrina. Her cherished sister Jenny, brother-in-law Gordon, step-father Brian, and Jen join with them in mourning her loss.

Throughout her life, she was a fierce protector of animals and enjoyed their company, at times preferring animal to human companionship. In lieu of flowers, Sue asked that donations in her memory could be made to *SPCA.org*.

Sue was beautiful in every way. She always knew when to be kind or when to fight for what was right, and was always doing one of the two. Her work ethic was insurmountable and contagious. Her wisecracks, her wisdom and her huge heart stay with us and will sustain us.

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever
Its loveliness increases; it will never
Pass into nothingness; but still will keep
A bower quiet for us, and a sleep
Full of sweet dreams, and health, and quiet breathing"
(John Keats)

There will be an informal gathering to celebrate Sue's life from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at American Heritage Cemetery and Funeral Home, 4100 N FM 1788 Midland, Texas 79707.

Gary Alvin McCumber

Gary Alvin McCumber
Born December 5, 1946, passed away Monday, April 11, 2016.

Gary was born, raised and educated in Carrollton, Missouri. Gary was preceded in death by his parents Lawrence A. McCumber and Francis Houseworth; sister, Lois Conner; son, Sam A. McCumber; step-daughter, Alicia M. Frix. Survivors include wife, Linda M. McCumber; children, Pamela Tracy (Jason); grandchildren, Alex, Tristan, Rowen of San Diego, California, Willie N. Frix (Kortney), grandchildren Aliza, Brenden of Lamesa, Texas, sisters, Sharon Eicker, Kansas City, Missouri and June Stanley, Kansas City, Kansas, numerous nieces and nephews. Gary is also survived by many loving and lifetime friends and acquaintances.

Gary joined the Navy at age seventeen and spent the next fifteen years serving his country. Gary and Linda were married in October of 1968 for eleven years and lived in the San Diego, California area. Life took them in different directions and reunited them in 1999 in Midland, Texas. Gary was a man of many talents, trained and certified in welding, a carpenter and craftsman, always looking for the next project.

In his younger years, Gary was interested in softball and played in many softball leagues. Bowling also followed him through his life and in recent years golfing was his passion and addiction. After retirement two years ago, Gary found his dream job as Golf Marshall at Hogan Park Golf Course in Midland, Texas.

A husband, a father, a grandfather, a brother and a dear friend, Gary will be greatly missed and forever in our hearts.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, April 16, 2016 at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel, 801 Andrews Hwy. Midland, TX.

Florence Doss

Florence Gwaltney Doss died peacefully on the morning of April 11, 2016 after a 12 year battle with Alzheimer's Disease. Florence was born on August 13, 1923 in Jacksboro, Texas, to Agnes Wilkins and Raymond L. Gwaltney. Florence graduated from Jacksboro High School in 1940 and from Weatherford Junior College in 1942. There she met Hyle Cox Doss of Seminole. After Hyle's service in the U.S. Navy, they were married on December 9, 1945. During their married life, Florence and Hyle lived in San Diego, Jacksboro, Seminole and Midland, where they have lived since 1973.

While in Seminole, Florence was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church and the choir, and was a charter and life member of the Music Club. Also during this time, she was a loving mother to their three children, Danny, Skeet and Polli.

When they moved to Midland in 1973, Florence and Hyle joined First Presbyterian Church. She was a faithful Women's Bible Circle leader and moderator, a Sunday School teacher, an Elder of the church, President of the Women of the Church and was an active member and the first president of the Permian Basin Landwives' Association. Florence was an avid reader and was often called upon by many women's groups in the area to present book reviews. She also enjoyed serving as a recording reader for the Recording Library for the Blind and playing bridge.

She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Daniel Hyle; two brothers, Kenneth Gwaltney and Gerald Roderick Gwaltney. She is survived by her husband; children, Skeet and wife Nancy of Midland; and Polli Doss Satterwhite of College Station. She is also survived by grandchildren, Zachary Hyle Doss and wife Vickie of Midland; Dixie and husband Jason Marburger of Round Rock; Randi and husband Chris Daniel of College Station; Ross Satterwhite and Brett Satterwhite; and five great grandchildren, Wyatt and June Doss, Lee Daniel, Caleb and Kyleigh Marburger; as well as a brother, Pascal Gwaltney, and numerous nieces and nephews and their families.

The family would like to thank Janice, Jennifer, Lisa and the many others at Serenity Living who lovingly cared for Florence for over seven years and also to the caregivers from Hospice Midland.

A memorial service to celebrate Florence's life will be held on Saturday, April 16th, at 11:00 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Midland. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of Midland, First Presbyterian Church of Midland or a charity of the donor's choice.

A glimpse of Florence's words from her heart: A speaker once opened a memorial service with words, "We have not come to a funeral service today; we have come to a coronation." A coronation ceremony is a time of celebration and gladness among the subjects of a kingdom. It is an occasion of solemn and holy significance to the sovereign as he assumes his inheritance and enters upon a new and greater life. We may well liken the passing of a faithful soul into Heaven as such an occasion. It is a time of sweet release from pain and the infirmities of the years. The trials of earth have ended. Death is the invitation God gives us to go farther on, where there is still greater beauty to behold, still deeper mystery to be solved, still greater fellowship to be enjoyed, a still greater height to climb. It is a time of triumph for the Christian.

Arrangements were made with Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to: pipkin@nts-online.net or you can visit our website at *lewallengarciapipkinfh.com*

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

Death Notices

Catherine Mitchell

Catherine Mitchell, 93, of Midland, passed away on Thursday, April 14, 2016. The family will reeeive friends on Sunday, April 17, 2016 from 3:00-5:00PM at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Funeral services will be held on Monday, April 18, 2016 at 10:00AM at First Baptist Church in Kermit, TX. Burial will follow at the Kermit Cemetery.

Jessie Fennell

Jessie Carl Fennell Sr., 78 of Midland, passed away Sunday, April 10, 2016.

Viewing will be Friday, April 15, 2016 from 10:00am - 9:00pm at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home. A wake service will also be held Friday, April 15th at 6:00 pm at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Chapel.

He is survived by his wife, Frankie Mae Fennell; three sons, Jessie Fennell Jr., Darrell W. Fennell and Jimmy Fennell; daughter, Eartha Fennell; two brothers, eleven grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Odell Welborn

Odell Welborn, 91, of Midland, passed away on April 14, 2016.

He is surviced by his grandson, Casey Welborn.

There will be a Graveside Service on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at Resthaven Memorial Park at 11:00 a.m. Online condolences may be offered at *ellisfunerals.com*

Steven Douglas Smith

Steven Douglas "Doug" Smith, age 60, of Odessa, passed away on Wednesday, April 13, 2016.

A memorial service will be at Belmont Baptist Church of Odessa at 2:00 pm on Saturday, April 16, 2016.

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CALENDAR

Saturday

Eco-Friendly Craft Fair ties both to the current exhibition "Otra Vez" at Midland County Public Library and Earth Day. MCPL and Keep Midland Beautiful invite people to craft using recycled, reused and earth friendly materials. 10 a.m. Saturday at MCPL Centennial 2503 Loop 250.

EDUCATION Financial Fortitude and Health Seminar will discuss financial and mental health as well as collect donations for Buckner Foster Care and Family Pathways Programs. 1 p.m. at Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane.

CONCERT Godsewayonline, Big Perk, Saved, Dago, 3 p.m. at Junior League Midland, 902 W. Dengar Road.

For King and Country, 7 p.m. at ACE Arena, 1441 SH 176, Andrews. $20-$30. Whatyeshuacando.

MOSC: Vintage Harmony, a fundraiser featuring cowboy poet and singer R.J. Vandygriff, 6:30 p.m. at The Petroleum Museum, 1500 W. Interstate 20. $85. MOSC.org.

COMEDY Tim Hawkins, Bob Smiley, 7 p.m. at Stonegate Fellowship, 6000 W. Wadley Ave. $25. stonegatefellowship.com.

WELLNESS Yoga classes are offered weekly. 9 a.m. Universalist Unitarian Church, 3301 Neely Ave. Free. uumidland.org.

"The Carpenter's Son" is the first show of Ragtown Gospel Theater's new season about the early years of Jesus Christ. 3 p.m. Saturdays through May 7. Ragtown Gospel Theater, 870 Ragtown Road, Post. $24. 877-724-8696. ragtowngospeltheater.com.

Monday

Sandwiches for MARC. The new Potbelly Sandwich Shop invites people to eat at the restaurant for lunch from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and for dinner from 5-6:30 p.m. A $5 donation will get patrons a free sandwich, chips and drink. All proceeds will benefit MARC clients and programs. 1401 N. Loop 250 W. marctexas.org.

CONCERT The Wartburg Choir performs a concert of sacred music from a variety of historic composers and periods. 7:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 300 N. Main St. firstmethodistmidland.com.

CLASSES ESL Cafe for enrolled students to practice conversation skills over coffee and refreshments with an instructor present. 8:30-10:30 a.m. Midland Need to Read, 1709 W. Wall St. midlandneedtoread.org.

GIVING BACK The Blue Door hosts Give Back Monday with 50 percent of the night's revenue going toward a select organization from 4-10 p.m.

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

WELLNESS Belly Dancing Class, 8 p.m. at Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neely Ave. uumidland.org.

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

Wednesday

CLASSES ESL Cafe for enrolled students to practice conversation skills over coffee and refreshments with an instructor present. 8:30-10:30 a.m. Midland Need to Read, 1709 W. Wall St. midlandneedtoread.org.

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

Weekly Men's Breakfast, 7 a.m. Wednesdays at Living 360, 3211 W. Wadley Ave. stnicksmt.org.

Come to the Quiet, 7:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. in the First Presbyterian Chapel. Coffee and conversation in commons to follow. fpcmid.org.

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

ANGUISH

From 1B

"There is not a month goes by that we have not received 10 or so new clients," Warren said. "Our clients are getting younger all the time."

There has been a rise in HIV among adults 13 to 24. This age group accounted for more than 1 in 5 new HIV diagnoses in 2014, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Warren started MAAS in honor of her brother, Larry Yates, who died from AIDS. That gesture has grown into providing care and support for those in West Texas living with HIV, AIDS and STDs while also battling the stigma that goes with it and educating the population about prevention.

"The momentum started with my brother and now we have a place for people to go to. But it's also hard to keep up with the pace and stay on top of funding. There is work to be done and people like Nancy help us to keep going. She's a wonderful lady and has given to us more than anyone can imagine."

In her community service, Anguish found something deeper than just volunteer hours. She wants to remind people — particularly new Midlanders or younger generations — the added bonus to helping people and the nonprofit community.

"I've slowed down a bit now but through volunteering, I've made a lot of good friends and I was never at a loss for something to do. Being involved within your community can be very rewarding," she said.

Along with honoring Anguish's service and contributions, the MAASquerade Ball will be a festive night of dinner and dancing. The black tie-optional event will feature silent and live auctions, a wine pull and music by Jumping Giants. Guests can bid on items such as a trip to New Orleans, a party package from Shack in the Back and more. The ball is presented by the Luke and Lori Morrow Foundation.

HALL

From 1B

MRT: What are you looking forward to with your new position?

Hall: It's a great church that's been around for about 30 years, and it's a great part of the community there in Fort Worth. I'm looking forward to reaching into a larger metropolitan area. The world is moving toward our larger cities, so I'm relishing the opportunity to be a larger influence there. We really want to network with the city to get positive things done.

MRT: How did it all come together?

Hall: They reached out to us, and there was a consultant involved in this transition to help connect us with Harvest. We have a long history with the church because I lived in the area about 20 or 30 years ago. I really think that we can make a difference in that north Fort Worth area. There's a big opportunity to connect with the city. We've been asking God to move us back to a larger city for the past four years now.

MRT: How do you feel about leaving Midland?

Hall: You know, I just missed my 11-year mark here in Midland by a month. I think Stonegate and Midland have been great, especially the people. West Texas people are warm and friendly, and we've raised our kids here. It's been a great place to raise our kids, and we have deep friendships that we'll carry with us. We've loved serving alongside the people here in Midland.

I think serving in the community has been a great journey. We were always trying to connect outside of the church. I served on the Lee basketball board and I coached baseball for 10 years in the community. We'll miss networking with people here in the community to make Midland a better place. We'll miss some of the local establishments, places like Graham's Pharmacy. We'll definitely miss the West Texas evenings and sunsets.

MRT: What are some things you've experienced here that you'll take with you?

Hall: You know I've been humbled to be a part of the growth at Stonegate Fellowship. When we came, it was so small. I think six people on staff. Now we have 100 people on staff. We have more than 5,000 people coming to our services in Midland and Odessa. It's been an exciting journey.

The way I view what we've accomplished is that we're just blessed by God. I feel like the Lord's hand has been on Stonegate, and now it's an influential church, not only in the city, but in the United States and even around the world. We've been able to see God accomplish a lot of great things, but I think there's so much more in possibilities around the world for Stonegate. I think the years ahead of Stonegate are going to be great.

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Scott Hall

MCRC

From 1B

"They do a lot of the little things," Heathington said. "They're always here to offer a helping hand and do some of the things that go unnoticed."

The CSL, which is celebrating its 75th anniversary, is in the spotlight because of its importance in the history of MCRC. What started as women getting together to help new mothers evolved into a nonprofit providing help to children.

"They started as a small group of five to seven women who saw a need. They initially started by providing moms with blankets that they sewed," Heathington said. "As they did that, they started seeing special-needs children and realized that these children had nowhere to go. They started the Midland Cerebral Palsy Center, which eventually became the MCRC."

As the diagnoses became more varied, and the number of patients grew steadily, the CSL began taking a lesser role but always remained an integral part of the organization.

"They saw these problems and brought in a therapist and then helped people out of a building on Ohio Street," Heathington said. "They worked with the kids, and as it grew, they ended up purchasing the property where we are currently. The doors where you walk in are the doors that were originally put in during the 1970s."

As with all of MCRC's volunteers, Heathington knows how important the CSL's contributions are to the organization.

"None of the original ladies are still with us, but we do have some honorary members from the older days," Heathington said. "Their role now is very different. When they started, they were aides, teachers and babysitters. They were very hands on with the kids. As we've grown, and as disabilities have varied, they help by raising money for us through garage sales and fundraisers, act as ambassadors and they play with the kids."

For more information about the organization, visit midlandchildrens.org.

Reporters stand near the site where archeologists found a massive stone slab near the Cathedral in Mexico City, on Wednesday. Archaeologists found a massive stone slab covering the tomb of one of the first priests in Mexico following the 1521 European conquest, a grave sunk into the floor of what appears to be an Aztec temple. *Associated Press*

Mexican experts find early burial in 1st colonial cathedral

By Mark Stevenson
Associated Press

MEXICO CITY — Archaeologists have found a massive stone slab covering the tomb of one of the first Catholic priests in Mexico following the 1521 Spanish conquest. The grave is sunk into the floor of what appears to be an Aztec temple.

The discovery suggests the extent to which the Spanish re-used the temples of the Aztec capital in the first years after capturing it. The huge slab was uncovered in recent days at the site of the now-disappeared first cathedral of Mexico City, built in 1524 yards from the current cathedral that replaced it in the 1620s.

The nearly 2-meter-long slab was sunk into the same level of the stucco floor of what appears to be an Aztec temple. The cathedral was simply built over the temple and apparently used the same floor. The Spaniards apparently gave the floor only a thin coat of lime white-wash before using it for their church.

"The Spaniards, Hernan Cortes and his followers, made use of the pre-Hispanic structures, the temples, the foundations, the floors," said Raul Barrera, an archaeologist for the government's National Institute of Anthropology and History. "They even used the walls, the floors. They couldn't destroy everything all at once."

The name of priest Miguel de Palomares was found carved on the slab. Archaeologists must still confirm it's his burial place, and hope to find his remains when they lift the stone slab in the coming weeks. De Palomares was a prominent priest who died in 1542 and was buried inside the old cathedral, apparently near an altar. Barrera said stones near one end of the slab appear to be part of that altar.

Within 30 years after his burial, the first cathedral was already deemed too small and in bad shape to serve the thriving new colony. The second cathedral was built next to it between 1573 and the 1620s, when the old cathedral was torn down and, apparently, quickly forgotten.

At some time before Mexico gained its independence in 1821, someone drilled a hole into the ground where the tomb stands and sank a wooden post or a cross into the tomb. The capstone slab bears a hole where the post stood and the stone is fractured into two parts, perhaps as a result.

Archaeologists have long known the Spaniards often appeared to prefer to build their churches atop Aztec temples, but it was thought that was for symbolic purposes, to signal the displacement of old Aztec gods by the Christian church. But it may also have been a practical decision, as the pre-Hispanic temples had good foundations, walls and floors that the Spaniards could use, saving them the trouble of building new ones.

The grave slab was found by accident, when engineers were trying to dig foundations for lamp posts to illuminate the current cathedral.

Leadership Midland project raises funds for area school

Leah Robertson

Leadership Midland Class of 2016 is getting ready to graduate on May 16. This class is the first to participate in the Leadership Midland 2.0. However, the program has existed for more than 30 years.

The Chamber of Commerce Leadership Midland committee decided in 2013 that LM needed an update. Specifically, the committee felt that there needed to be more leadership training and smaller class sizes. Therefore, LM 2.0 was created.

Historically, LM has been a one-year program. It has been transitioned to a two-year program, and the class size has been reduced from 32 members to a maximum of 12. Also, candidates have to complete an application process, submit letters of recommendation and participate in interviews.

The first year of the LM version 2.0 was designed to help class members learn more about Midland. The LM 2016 class met every month for a year, spending one full day learning about and visiting Midland businesses, government agencies and nonprofit agencies. The second year of LM version 2.0 consists of monthly half-day sessions that are focused on leadership training.

In addition to the leadership sessions, class members also attend a "hot topic" session, typically led by a community leader who discusses current issues that are important for our community. For the LM 2016 class, these topics included the 4B sales tax and the remodel of Midland Center.

Another component of LM version 2.0 is the class project. Members of the LM 2016 class decided its class project would be to adopt South Elementary School. During the second year, the class partnered with the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel to decorate baskets in which families received food for their Thanksgiving dinner. Also, the LM 2016 class donated school supplies and volunteered to read on many occasions with kindergarteners and first-graders.

The biggest component of that projec is to partner with the DoubleTree by Hilton and South PTA to raise funds for a new digital marquee for South Elementary. The school's current marquee is damaged and is not digital. A new marquee has been a goal of the South PTA and South Elementary for some time; however, they have never been able to raise the funds. A digital marquee will help the school communicate with parents and the local neighborhood. It will also add to school pride. Digital marquees are definitely a want and not a need, which is why they are not supplied by the school district. The LM class is committed to raising $20,000 to donate to South Elementary for the marquee.

If you are interested in donating to this project, contact us at nellwyn@midlandtxchamber.com or make checks payable to: Midland Chamber of Commerce Foundation, 109 N. Main St., Midland, Texas 79701.

Also, if you are interested in applying for a future Leadership Midland class, please visit the Midland Chamber of Commerce's website at midlandtxchamber.com.

If you are interested in volunteering at MISD, please contact Peggy Kuss at peggy.kuss@midlandisd.net.

Leah Robertson is a member of the Leadership Midland Class of 2016.

Jesus' presence can heal our pain

Joe Johnson

The loss of my father when I was 7 has become a sacred wound. I longed for God's love to heal this wound, and the gifts God has given me for healing broken hearts have come from Jesus' healing.

I first learned that healing is available by reading "Healing" by Francis MacNutt in 1974. I met MacNutt personally when I joined the Association of Christian Therapists in 1978. He has become a good friend who encouraged me with his words.

My passion is to connect people's hearts to God's love for them. The ministry of connecting to Jesus' healing through prayer is available to everyone. Experiencing God's love is a healing. During our conference, The Healing Power of the Father's Love on Friday and Saturday at Christ Church Anglican, we will experience healing in many different areas of our lives: stress, anxiety, relationships, forgiveness, depression, broken hearts. We will learn how to minister with others. Everyone will benefit, including those with little experience in healing prayer, as well as those who are prayer leaders. I am thankful that this ministry belongs to all kinds of churches.

I will focus on how to return to joy from shame, fear, anger and hopeless despair.

Whenever a parent walks out of the front door of our lives because of abandonment, abuse, addictions or abdication, shame walks in the back door. Jesus heals shame. We experience Jesus' presence and see where he is and what he wants us to know.

I believe everyone will receive healing and freedom from pain, especially when others have sinned against us.

Judith MacNutt explains what happens through inner healing prayer.

She writes, "In the process of inner healing, our wounded memories become a source of healing. Through prayer, we can drain those memories of their poison through the healing love of Jesus. Once we identify the pain and bring it into the light, Jesus can transform it and free us from its crippling effects. He doesn't erase the memory, but he does remove the devastating effect of the memory. After prayer, we can still remember what happened, but the memory no longer has its old power over us."

Joe Johnson is the founder and director of Heart of the Father Ministries. Visit pastorjoejohnson.wordpress.com for practical teachings on healing.

To register for the conference, visit ccanglican.com.

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Mormon official: Church is expanding, not restricting

Associated Press

OREM, UTAH — A public affairs official for the Mormon church says it is expanding its boundaries more than restricting them.

The Deseret News reported that Michael Otterson said Tuesday at the University of Utah that the Mormon church has been building relationships with interfaith leaders, academics and minority communities, including women and lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people.

Otterson warned against what he called "bubbles," or seeing the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints through a narrow lens.

He shot back at commentators who say the church is rigidly resisting change, pointing to its belief in modern revelation. Instead, Otterson said he recognizes the right of leaders to set boundaries for doctrine and behavior.

More than 150 people packed an auditorium to hear Otterson's speech during UVU's Mormon Studies Conference.

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Healy, Brugman carry Midland to a win

By Oscar LeRoy
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It was a perfect night for baseball.

There wasn't a cloud in the sky and there was a great crowd on hand at Security Bank Ballpark for the first home game of the season for the Midland RockHounds, although Thirsty Thursday might have helped just a tad.

All that was needed was for the RockHounds was to treat the 6,188 fans to a victory.

Thanks to a pair of three-run innings, the RockHounds were able to oblige with a 9-3 victory.

It was so long to a three-game losing streak and to the bad memories of the three-game series at Northwest Arkansas.

■ ANALYSIS

It took a little bit for the RockHound bats to get going but they were bouyed by a pair of hitters who have championship rings in their collection.

Ryon Healy and Jaycob Brugman, in particular, led the offense — two RockHounds who helped the franchise capture its second consecutive Texas League title last season.

Healy, the 6-foot-5, 225-pound first baseman had three hits with a two-run single in the fourth inning and a two-run blast to left as the big man showed his power potential. Healy finished the game with a five RBI.

Brugman, the versatile outfielder who is capable of getting hot at the plate at any time, also had two hits, including an RBI double in the three-run fourth.

Neither starting pitcher, Midland's Raul Alcantara or Arkansas' Victor Alcantara (not related), could find their groove, which caused the game to drag in the early innings.

Raul Alcantara needed 91 pitches to labor through four innings. Meanwhile Victor Alcantara walked six in just 3 1/3 innings of work.

Raul Alcantara struggled in the first two innings and the Travelers took advantage by taking a 2-0 advantage.

After getting an unearned run in the second inning, the RockHounds took control in the third with a

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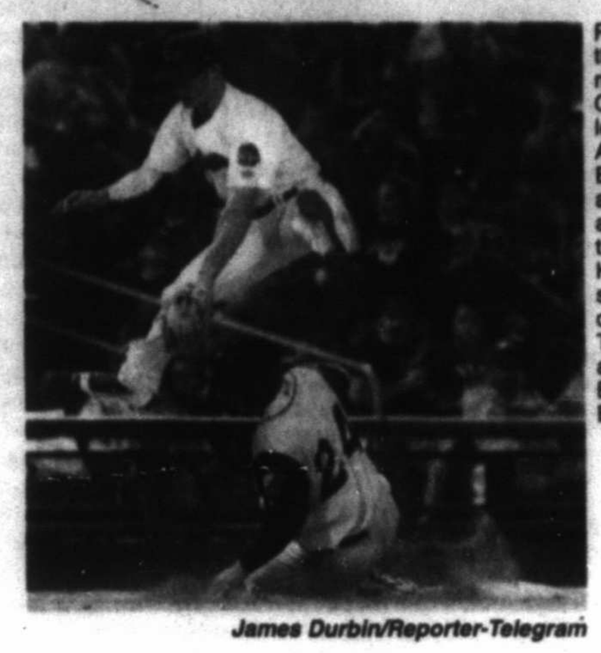

RockHounds third baseman Matt Chapman (7) leaps over Arkansas' Eric Aguilera after getting an out during the RockHounds season home opener Thursday at Security Bank Ballpark.

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GOING THE DISTANCE

Smith's passion allows her to excel for MHS

By Christopher Hadorn
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ODESSA — Many high school athletes participate in track and field to stay fit for other sports.

That's not the case for Midland High sophomore Sametria Smith as track and field is her life's passion and only sport.

"I am always track and field, all year round practically," said Smith, who competes for the West Texas Track Club when she's not in high school season.

The sky is the limit for where Smith can go as she possesses both the enthusiasm for the sport and the athleticism to excel in a multitude of events.

On Thursday, Smith began the District 3-6A Track and Field Championships at Ratliff Stadium on a high note, winning the girls triple jump with a mark of 36 feet, 2.5 inches.

Smith's first-place finish provided Midland High 10 points in the team standings, and qualified her for the District 3-6A/4-6A Area Championships, April 22 in Abilene.

Today Smith is expected to compete for podium spots in the long jump, 100-meter hurdles, 300-meter hurdles and as the first leg of the MHS' 800 relay team.

Midland High girls head coach Hil Ochoa says Smith's affection for track can only help her today.

"She loves it," Ochoa said. "You got to love it as a coach, these kids that truly love it.

"If you love running, if you love track, everything will take care of itself," Ochoa added. "You will have the heart to be a champion and take it to the next level."

Smith said she took up the sport of track in the second grade at the encouragement of her grandmother, Cynthia Hall.

"She told just me to go out here (and run track) and that's what I did," Smith said.

When asked if she had any hobbies, Smith said, "I really don't know because I don't do anything but track."

Smith said she aspires to be a professional track athlete, and that her favorite athletes — Lolo Jones and Brittney Reese — are track and field Olympians.

Back on March 5, Smith shined on these same Ratliff Stadium grounds, winning gold medals at the West Texas Relays in the long jump (18-5.75), triple jump (37-4.75), 100-meter hurdles (15.25) and in the 800 relay (1:44.29).

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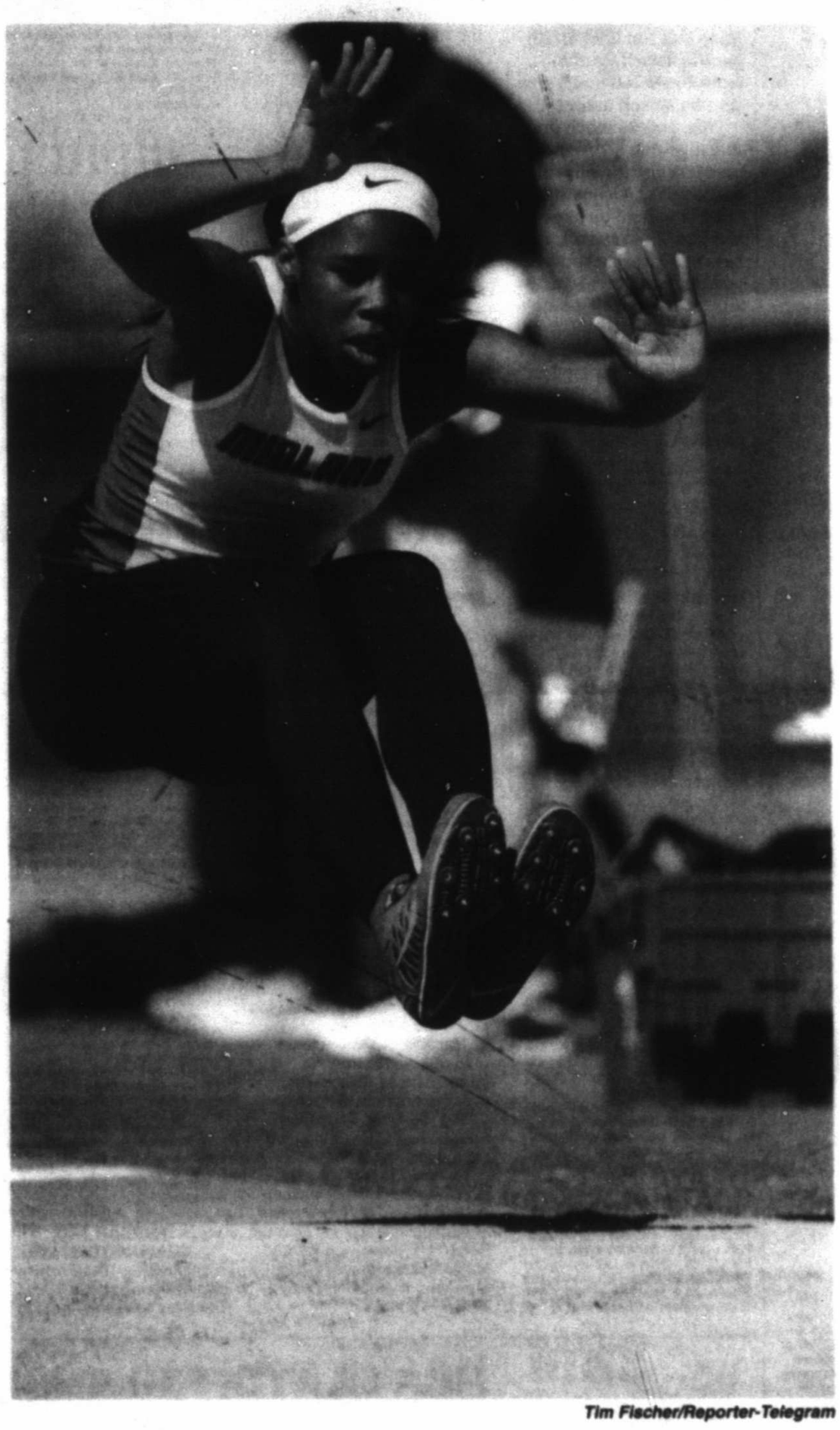

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Midland High's Sametria Smith lands in the pit on one of her triple jumps Thursday in the District 3-6A Track and Field Championships at Ratliff Stadium.

Memphis hires Tubby Smith as Tigers' new hoops coach

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Memphis is turning to Tubby Smith to get the Tigers back to the NCAA Tournament, something the veteran coach already has done at five other schools.

Smith shares those goals.

And he has plans for much more.

"The sky's the limit for this program," Smith said Thursday at his introductory press conference. "We want to take it to championship-caliber play."

Smith

Memphis introduced Smith as the Tigers' new coach less than a week after Georgia Tech hired away Josh Pastner. The move from the 38-year-old Pastner — who arrived at Memphis as a head coaching newcomer — to the 64-year-old Smith represents a major change from an experience standpoint.

University president M. David Rudd called Smith the most accomplished coach ever hired by Memphis.

"It is entirely about fit," Rudd said. "It's about fit for our program, fit for our university and fit for the city. Tubby Smith is precisely the right coach at the right time for the University of Memphis."

Memphis lured Smith away from Texas Tech with a five-year contract for $15.45 million, including $2.8 million next season, $2.9 million for 2017-18 and $3.25 million each of the last three seasons.

Smith and Lon Kruger are the only two coaches to lead five different schools to the NCAA Tournament. Smith most recently got there with Texas Tech, which went 19-13 and earned an NCAA bid this season in his third year on the job.

With a career record of 557-276, Smith won the national title with Kentucky in 1998. He also has worked at Tulsa, Georgia and Minnesota during a head coaching career that began in 1991.

Smith said he didn't decide to take the Memphis job until Thursday morning.

"I wasn't looking for a job," Smith said. "But when you hear the University of Memphis Tigers, you know the tradition and you know the success they've had."

He replaces Pastner, who went 167-63 with four NCAA Tournament berths in seven seasons at Memphis. Pastner was hired when John Calipari left for Kentucky in April 2009.

Although Pastner led Memphis to four straight NCAA appearances from

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Midland High still searching for that big hit in district play

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL REPORT

By Will Korn
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The Midland High baseball team did its job on Wednesday at Zachery Field, squeaking by Abilene High to earn a critical 2-1 District 3-6A win.

For the Bulldogs (17-9, 5-5 in District 3-6A), it was a relief to find the win column after it had dropped its previous three district games.

But two-thirds of the way through the district schedule, the team knows it hasn't been playing up to its standards offensively of late.

"It was nice to get the win," said MHS head coach Barry Russell. "But we've still got a lot of things we need to get better on. We're nowhere near the team that I think we should be and can be. We've got to try to climb out of this hole that we've dug ourselves and see what happens."

The Bulldogs have scored just three runs in their last two games, one of which was a 2-1 loss against Lee last Friday.

In those two games combined, MHS stranded a whopping 17 base runners. The Bulldogs are getting plenty of opportunities to take control of a game, but have recently fallen upon a struggle to come up with a game-changing hit.

Russell said he's been encouraging his hitters to continue to stay aggressive with a lead, especially early in a game.

"We just can't stop," Russell said. "For whatever reason, we don't want to continue to put runs on the board. I don't think they (the MHS players) have the attitude of

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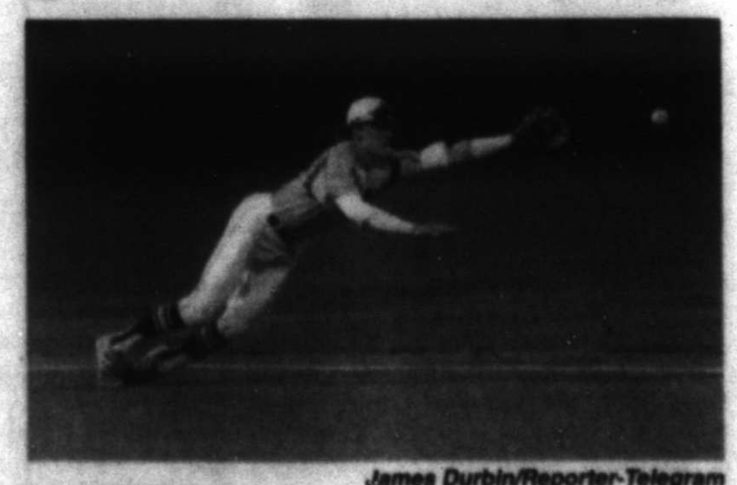

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Midland High shortstop Jaxon Hallmark (1) stretches out for a ball hit by Lee High on April 5 at Christensen Stadium.

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THURSDAY'S SCORE
Midland 9, Arkansas 3

TODAY'S GAME
Arkansas at Midland, 7 p.m.

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RECORDS
Midland 3-4
Arkansas 2-5

Tuesday	Thursday	Today	Saturday	Sunday
NW Arkansas 9, Midland 2	Midland 9, Arkansas 3	Arkansas at Midland, 7 p.m.	Arkansas at Midland, 7 p.m.	Arkansas at Midland, 2 p.m.

DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

ON TV
BOXING
Nikolay Potapov vs. Stephon Young, 10 p.m., SHO
Jesus Soto Karass vs. Yoshihiro Kamegai, 10 p.m., ESTRELLA
COLLEGE BASEBALL
Nebraska at Michigan, 5 p.m., BTN
Tennessee at Auburn, 6 p.m., SEC
Kansas at Texas, 6 p.m., LHN
Oklahoma State at Baylor, 6:30 p.m., FSSW+, FCSA
Oklahoma at TCU, 7 p.m., FS1
UC Riverside at Utah, 8 p.m., P12 Mtn
COLLEGE SOFTBALL
Texas at Oklahoma, 6:30 p.m., FCSC
GOLF
EPGA: Real Club Valderrama Open de Espana, 2nd Round, 5:30 a.m., GOLF
EPGA: Real Club Valderrama Open de Espana, 2nd Round, 9:30 a.m., GOLF
Champions: Mitsubishi Electric Classic, 1st Round, 11 a.m., GOLF
PGA: RBC Heritage, 2nd Round, 2 p.m., GOLF
LPGA: LOTTE Championship, 3rd Round, 6 p.m., GOLF
MLB
Colorado at Chic. Cubs, 1 p.m., MLB
Baltimore at Texas, 7 p.m., FSSW
Detroit at Houston, 7 p.m., ROOT
San Francisco at LA Dodgers, 9 p.m., MLB
MEN'S SOCCER
La Liga: Levante vs. Espanyol, 1:20 p.m., beIN2
Bundesliga: Hannover 96 vs. Borussia Monchengladbach, 1:30 p.m., FS2, GolTV
MLS: Houston Dynamo vs. LA Galaxy, 6 p.m., UniMas/UDN
Liga MX: Queretaro FC vs. Club America, 7 p.m., UDN
Liga MX: Club Tijuana vs. Monterrey, 9:20 p.m., AZTECA
MIXED MARTIAL ARTS
Resurrection Fighting Alliance 37: Vianna vs. Clark, 9 p.m., AXS
MOTORSPORTS
Sprint Cup: Food City 500, Practice, 10 a.m., FS1
XFINITY: Bristol 300, Practice, 11:30 a.m., FS1
XFINITY: Bristol 300, Final Practice, 2 p.m., FS1
Sprint Cup: Food City 500, Qualifying, 3 p.m., FS1
F1: Chinese Grand Prix, Qualifying, 2 a.m., NBCSN, UDN
NHL
East Quarterfinal, Gm 2: Detroit at Tampa Bay, 6 p.m., CNBC
East Quarterfinal, Gm 2: NY Islanders at Florida, 6:30 p.m., NHL
West Quarterfinal, Gm 2: Chicago at St. Louis, 7 p.m., NBCSN
West Quarterfinal, Gm 1: Nashville at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m., NBCSN
TENNIS
NCAA Women's: Washington State at Washington, 3:30 p.m., P12, P12 WA
NCAA Men's: Baylor at Oklahoma, 6 p.m., FCSP
Federation Cup, WG Playoff: USA vs. Australia, Rubber 1, 8 p.m., TENNIS
ON RADIO
NAHL HOCKEY
Odessa at Wichita Falls, 7 p.m., KFZX 102.1 FM
MLB
Baltimore at Texas, 7 p.m., KBEST 95.7 FM (Big Spring), KPET 690 AM (Lamesa)
TEXAS LEAGUE BASEBALL
Arkansas at Midland, 7 p.m., KCRS 550 AM, 97.5 FM

WHAT'S ON DECK

High school

BASEBALL
Midland High at Abilene High, 4:30 p.m.
San Angelo Central at Lee, 4:30 p.m.
Arlington Pantego vs. Midland Christian (DH), 2:30 p.m.
TRACK
District 3-6A Meet, Odessa
District 4-4A Meet, Andrews

Hockey

NAHL playoffs, Odessa at Wichita Falls, 7:05 p.m.

Junior college

BASEBALL
Midland College at El Paso CC (DH), noon
SOFTBALL
Frank Phillips College at MC, 1 p.m.

LOCAL SPORTS

Permian Basin Ladies' Playday
Thursday
Hogan Park Golf Course
First Flight
1st Gross - Paula Betts - 74 - Midland CC
2nd Gross - Susan Taylor - 86 - Green Trails CC
1st Net - Barbara Hestler - 66 - Ranchland Hills GC
2nd Net - Debbi Lusk - 71 - Comanche Trail GC
Low Putts - Paula Miller - 32 - Ratliff Ranch GC
Second Flight
1st Gross - Linda DeWitaris - 90 - Comanche Trails GC
2nd Gross - Marjeen Morris - 91 - Comanche Trails GC
1st Net - Sarah Lands - 70 - Ranchland Hills GC
2nd Net - Terrie Short - 70 - Hogan Park GC
Low Putts - Janni Willis - 26 - Green Tree CC
Third Flight
1st Gross - Linda Alexander - 86 - Ratliff Ranch GC
2nd Gross - Mary Jane Belden - 92 - Hogan Park GC
1st Net - Ginny Pirtle - 64 - Hogan Park GC
2nd Net - Gloria Preece - 66 - Hogan Park GC
Low Putts - Lydia Thomson - 34 - Hogan Park GC

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
Major League Baseball
MLB — Suspended Philadelphia LHP Daniel Stumpf 80 games after testing positive for an anabolic steroid which is a violation of Major League Baseball's Joint Drug Prevention and Treatment Program.
American League
MINNESOTA TWINS — Agreed to terms with OF David Murphy on a minor league contract and assigned him to Rochester (IL).
NEW YORK YANKEES — Signed 1B-OF Nick Swisher to a minor league contract and assigned him to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL).
National League
COLORADO ROCKIES — Placed OF Charlie Blackmon on the 15-day DL. Recalled C Dustin Garneau from Albuquerque (PCL).
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Recalled LHP Adam Liberatore from Oklahoma City (PCL). Placed RHP Chris Hatcher on the paternity list.
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Placed LHP Daniel Stumpf on the restricted list. Recalled LHP Elvis Araujo from Lehigh Valley (IL).
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Designated OF Michael Morse for assignment. Selected the contract of RHP AJ Schugel from Indianapolis (IL). Announced INF Pedro Florimon cleared waivers and was assigned outright to Indianapolis. Recalled RHP Rob Scahill from Indianapolis. Placed LHP Cory Luebke on the 15-day DL.
Can-Am League
NEW JERSEY JACKALS — Signed RHP Paul Dennis. Released RHP Nick Mutz.
OTTAWA CHAMPIONS — Signed RHP Kevin Perez.
SUSSEX COUNTY MINERS — Signed OF Charley Thurber.
Frontier League
LAKE ERIE CRUSHERS — Signed OF Colin Willis.
NORMAL CORNBELTERS — Signed RHP Anthony Tavarilla. Placed RHP Cody Tasops and RHP Angel Reyes on the suspended list.
TRAVERSE CITY BEACH BUMS — Signed RHP Jake Lanning, LHP Ben Libuda, RB Robert Peterson and RHP Tucker Simpson.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
SACRAMENTO KINGS — Fired coach George Karl.
WASHINGTON WIZARDS — Fired coach Randy Wittman.
Women's National Basketball Association
LOS ANGELES SPARKS — Traded C Jonquel Jones and their 2016 second-round pick to Connecticut for G Chelsea Gray and two 2016 second-round picks and a 2017 first-round pick.
MINNESOTA LYNX — Traded G Jamion Quarterman to San Antonio for G Jia Perkins.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
DENVER BRONCOS — Signed C Matt Paradis. Waived TE Nick Kasa.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Re-signed TE Jack Doyle and S Akeem Davis. Signed TE Jack Doyle.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Signed WR Jarius Allen to a one-day contract to formally retire from the team.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Re-signed RB Tyler Gaffney.
NEW YORK JETS — Signed OT Ben Ijalana to a one-year contract.
TENNESSEE TITANS — Traded its 2016 first-round (No. 1), fourth- (No. 113) and sixth-round (No. 177) draft picks to the Los Angeles Rams for the Rams 2016 first- (No. 15), two second- (No. 43 and No. 45), third- (No. 76), 2017 first- and third-round draft picks.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Waived LB Jackson Jeffcoat.
Canadian Football League
WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Signed WRs Larry Pinkard and Ernest Smith.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Agreed to terms with D Carl Dahlstrom on a three-year contract. Signed Rockford (AHL) coach Ted Dent to a three-year contract extension through the 2018-19 season.
NEW YORK RANGERS — Recalled G Magnus Hellberg from Hartford (AHL).
American Hockey League
ALBANY DEVILS — Released C Kevin Rooney from his amateur tryout agreement.
SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE — Announced F Alex Belzile was reassigned to Fort Wayne (ECHL).
ECHL
ELMIRA JACKALS — Announced F Tyler Currier was loaned to Utica (AHL).
MANCHESTER MONARCHS — Announced F Matt Leitner was returned to the team from loan by Ontario (AHL).
SOCCER
Major League Soccer
ATLANTA UNITED — Named Richard Money academy director and Tony Annan academy manager.
COLLEGE
ALBANY (NY) — Announced the resignations of women's assistant basketball coaches Tamee Bellard and Kristen Ulizarrea to take the same positions at UCF.
BRADLEY — Named Nate Thompson women's assistant volleyball coach.
DAVIS & ELKINS — Named Benjamin Dishong assistant athletic director for external relations.
LOUISVILLE — Agreed to terms with football coach Bobby Petrino to a seven-year contract through 2023.
MEMPHIS — Named Tobey Smith men's basketball coach.
MISSISSIPPI STATE — Announced senior left receiver Fred Brown was dismissed from the university.
PACIFIC — Named Luke Wilcox and JayDee Luellen men's assistant basketball coaches.
RUTGERS — Named Karl Hobbs men's associate head basketball coach.
SOUTH DAKOTA STATE — Named TJ Chrzan men's basketball coach.
ST. ANDREWS — Named Brooke Johnson women's lacrosse coach and Shana Schneider women's assistant lacrosse coach.
TEXAS A&M — Named Ulric Maligi men's assistant basketball staff.
XAVIER — Signed men's basketball coach Chris Mack to a one-year contract extension through the 2021-22 season.

McMaryion wins high jump, feels normal again

By Christopher Hadorn
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ODESSA — Midland High junior Courtney McMaryion has been through a lot this school year.

McMaryion suffered a fractured ankle and injured knee during football season, and never had a chance to fully recover being a MHS basketball player during the winter.

So McMaryion got a good deal of satisfaction out of winning the high jump at the District 3-6A Track and Field Championships, Thursday at Ratliff Stadium. McMaryion and Lee senior Denim Rogers both registered a jump of 6 feet, 2 inches, but the former won on attempts.

"Coming out here after the broken ankle situation, it feels good," McMaryion said. "I didn't expect to win. I expected to go to area, but not to win so it feels pretty good."

In 2015, McMaryion registered one of the top 15 UIL marks in Texas with a height of 6 feet, 7 inches at regionals, but hasn't matched it again this year, recording a season-high of 6 feet, 4 inches.

Still, MHS jump coach Hil Ochoa says McMaryion typically saves his best performances for when it matters most. McMaryion will compete for a Region I-6A berth at the District 3-6A/4-6A Area Meet, April 22 in Abilene.

"I practice at 6-8 so I am pretty sure I can get up that high," McMaryion said. "It's just getting my mind focused at the meet."

Lee's Marsh wins first district title

Entering Thursday, Lee senior Michael Marsh had the unique distinction of being a District 3-6A/4-6A area meet champion in the discus, but had yet to win the event in his own district.

Marsh captured the District 3-6A discus title in his final try Thursday, equaling Odessa Permian's Jesus Olivares with a heave of 155 feet, 8 inches, but taking the gold medal on attempts.

"Every year I come out here and it's me and the same guy (Olivares) fighting each other for first place," Marsh said. "He always beats me by a little bit. I kind of just got tired of it, decided to beat him this year and then win district."

Lee's Ruiz claims high jump

Lee senior Kristian Ruiz needed only one jump, a height of 5 feet, 2 inches, to capture the District 3-6A girls high jump crown. Ruiz, who finished third in the same event last year, was pulled by Lady Rebels head coach Mike Connelly after one jump in order to prevent injury as she competes in the finals of the 400 relay, 800 relay and 300-meter hurdles today.

MHS repeats in boys pole vault

Midland High's Albert Gardea won the pole vault with a height of 13 feet, while teammate Ryan Giddens placed second with a mark of 12 feet, 6 inches.

It was the second straight year MHS claimed the boys pole vault after Slade Harrell won it at 2015 district meet.

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SMITH

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The long jump is Smith's favorite event and the one that Ochoa believes she can go furthest in this season. Ochoa said the only thing that can hold Smith back is herself, as she tends to put too much pressure on herself at times.

"She puts so much into it that getting her to the next level is just allowing her to relax," Ochoa said. "She is so hard on herself and that's fine and all. But having a fine line between your expectation and actually performing, it's tough for her."

Smith even admitted Thursday that her biggest obstacles to go far this season are "mental," not physical.

But Smith has too much fervor for track and field to let a little anxiety slow her down.

"I like the competition," Smith said of what she loves about track and field the most. "I like competing, coming out here and having fun, just all that.

"But mostly competing too, I like to win."

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District 3-6A Track and Field Championships
At Ratliff Stadium, Permian
Thursday's top 8 results
Top 4 qualify for the District 3-6A/4-6A Area Meet, April 22 in Abilene

BOYS
Running event
3,600 meters — 1. J.P. Sepanski, Odessa High, 9:55.77; 2. Kelton Reynolds, Abilene High, 9:57.01; 3. Chad Schmidt, Midland High, 9:59.90; 4. Ryan Quintana, Midland High, 10:13.45; 5. Cade Michael, Midland High, 10:18.50; 6. Aaron Ramirez, Odessa High, 10:23.83.
Field events
High jump — 1. Courtney McMaryion, Midland High, 6-2; 2. Denim Rogers, Lee, 6-2; 3. Sam Arberry, Abilene High, 6-0; 4. Isaiah Jones, Abilene High, 5-10; 5. Daven Manning, San Angelo Central, 5-10; 6. Colin McDonald, San Angelo Central, 5-8
Long jump — 1. Dexter Nebolt, Odessa Permian, 21-4.5; 2. Denim Rogers, Lee, 21-4.5; 3. Rae'Quon Millsap, Abilene High, 20-11.75; 4. Jordan Dunn, Lee, 20-8.75; 5. Blaine Pharris, Abilene High, 20-8; 6. Jadon Coates, San Angelo Central, 20-2.
Pole vault — 1. Albert Gardea, Midland High, 13-0; 2. Ryan Giddens, Midland High, 12-6; 3. Nathan Lunn, Abilene High, 12-0; 4. Beau Lasseter, San Angelo Central, 12-0; 5. Justin Yoes, San Angelo Central, 11-6; 6. Mario Martinez, San Angelo Central, 10-6.
Shot put — 1. Jesus Olivares, Odessa Permian, 54-3.5; 2. Payton Helling, Midland High, 49-4; 3. Cameron Cross, San Angelo Central, 47-1; 4. Michael Marsh, Lee, 46-4.5; 5. Qua'sheen Washington, Abilene High, 46-3.5; 6. Traver Vliem, Midland High, 46-1.
Discus — 1. Michael Marsh, Midland Lee, 155-8; 2. Jesus Olivares, Odessa Permian, 155-8; 3. Dillon Springer, Midland High, 150-3; 4. Qua'sheen Washington, Abilene High, 146-4; 5. Baily Perez, Odessa High, 137-4; 6. Zach Montelongo, Abilene High, 131-7.

GIRLS
Running event
3,600 meters - 1. Ashton Endsley, Abilene High, 10:50.26; 2. Haylee Johnson, Abilene High, 12:29.76; 3. Mariah Osteen, Abilene High, 12:42.71; 4. Jasmine Campos, Odessa Permian, 12:48.64; 5. Emma Pennington, Midland High, 12:55.06; 6. Natalie Terry, Odessa Permian, 12:57.59
Field events
High Jump — 1. Kristian Ruiz, Lee, 5-2; 2. Melannie Martinez, San Angelo Central, 5-0; 3. Michelle Falcon, Odessa High, 4-10; 4. Kayla Thomasson, Odessa High, 4-10; 5. Hannah Hill, San Angelo Central, 4-8; 6. Krista Epley, Midland High, 4-8.
Triple Jump — 1. Samantha Smith, Midland High, 36-2.5; 2. Ireland Atwood, Lee, 34-6.75; 3. Ashley Rackow, Lee, 34-3.5; 4. Trinit Wilson, Abilene High, 30-10.75; 5. Marisa Cruz, San Angelo Central, 33-5.5; 6. Kamaja Walton, Odessa High, 33-4.75.
Pole Vault — 1. Sarah Gallaher , San Angelo Central, 10-6; 2. Jasmin Diaz, San Angelo Central, 9-0; 3. Natalie Aguirre, Odessa High, 9-0; 4. Ally Arnold, San Angelo Central, 9-0; 5. Rachel Petilulon, Abilene High, 9-0; 6. Cheyenne Vinita, Abilene High, 9-0.
Shot Put — 1. Caleyha Brown, Odessa Permian, 35-2.2; Delecia Thompson, Abilene High, 34-0; 3. Rylea Bolton, Odessa High, 31-8.5; 4. Mia Black, Odessa Permian, 31-8; 5. Graceilyn Economidis, San Angelo Central, 31-6; 6. Mia Rivera, Midland High, 31-4.
Discus — 1. Caleyha Brown, Permian, 120-8.5; 2. Dakota Langston, Lee, 103-2; 3. Briana Rincon, Permian, 104-8.5; 4. Rylea Bolton, Odessa High, 102-8.5; 5. Mia Rivera, Midland High, 100-7.5; 6. Allison Hurst, San Angelo Central, 96-11.5.

Today's schedule
8 a.m. - Boys triple jump, girls long jump
12:30 p.m. - Girls and boys 400 relay
12:45 p.m. - Girls and boys 800 meters
1:15 p.m. - Girls 100-meter hurdles
1:30 p.m. - Boys 110-meter hurdles
1:45 p.m. - Girls and boys 100 meters
2:05 p.m. - Girls and boys 800 relay
2:30 p.m. - Girls and boys 400 meters
3 p.m. - Girls and boys 300-meter hurdles
3:30 p.m. - Girls and boys 200 meters
4 p.m. - Girls and boys 1,600 meters
4:40 - Girls and boys 1,600 relay

REGIONALGOLFROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

REED, LEE FINISH IN 8TH PLACE

ARLINGTON — After shooting a 348 in Thursday's final round, the Lee girls golf team finished in eighth place with a 703 total at the Class 6A Regional Tournament at Rolling Hills Country Club.

Allen was the tournament champion with a 615 total, while Lewisville Hebron's Serena Shah was the individual champion after shooting 73-72—145.

Freshman Rebecca Reed shot 81-72—153 to end up in a three-way tie for eighth place to lead the Lady Rebels. She missed a state qualification by two strokes.

Midland High sophomore Faith DeLaGarza completed the tournament in a three-way tie for 30th place with an 84-82—166 total.

Region I-6A Girls Golf Tournament
Wednesday-Thursday
Rolling Hills Country Club, Arlington
x-denotes state tournament qualifier
Team standings
x-1. Allen 300-315—615; x-2. Southlake Carroll 310-312—622; x-3. Lewisville Hebron 313-312—625; 4. Arlington Martin St. 317-315—632; 5. Coppell 309-324—633; 6. Denton Guyer 336-322—658; 7. Trophy Club Byron Nelson 339-339—678; 8. Lee 355-348—703; T-9. Odessa Permian 364-357—721; Wolfforth Frenship 371-350—721; 11. Midlothian 369-355—724; 12. El Paso Eastwood 373-354—727; T-13. Mansfield 372-369—741; El Paso Coronado 373-368—741; 15. Arlington Martin Red 369-377—746; 16. Amarillo 400-382—782
Individual standings
1. Serena Shah, Lewisville Hebron, 73-72—145; T-2. Amber Park, Allen, 73-76—149; Mariah Bourassa, Southlake Carroll, 74-75—149; 4. Keira Do, Coppell, 73-79—152; x-T-5. Trinity King, Arlington Martin, 75-76—151; x-Alexandra Batista, Trophy Club Byron Nelson, 73-78—151; 7. Jamie Park, Lewisville Hebron, 78-74—152; T-8. Emily Martin, Southlake Carroll, 74-79—153; Madigan Murray, McKinney Boyd, 81-72—153; Rebecca Reed, Lee, 81-72—153
Lee individuals — Rebecca Reed 81-72—153; Ryleigh Stump 88-84—172; Alexis Adkisson 92-88—180; Chloe Bice 97-94—191; Alex Sparks 100—99—199
Midland High individual — Faith DeLaGarza 84-82—166

ANDREWS WINS 4A REGIONAL TITLE

LUBBOCK — The Andrews girls golf program is heading back to the Class 4A state tournament in full force after placing the top two teams at the Region I-4A tournament at Shadow Hills Golf Course Thursday.

The Andrews Black team (305-308—613) won the tournament by 33 strokes over the Andrews Gold team (329-317—646). Bridgeport (320-333—653) was the third state qualifying team.

Andrews' Libby Walinder won the tournament by shooting a 72-69—141, four strokes ahead of second place Sydney Roberts of Brownwood. Lady Mustangs teammate Kinzee McAllister finished fifth with a 77-77—154 total.

Greenwood's Ryan Pate qualified for state as an individual with a two-day score of 77-79—156. Pate finished in a two-way tie for sixth with Andrews' Madee McAllister.

Region I-4A Girls Golf Tournament
Wednesday-Thursday
Shadow Hills Golf Course, Lubbock
x-denotes state tournament qualifier
Team standings
x-1. Andrews Black 305-308—613; x-2. Andrews Gold 329-317—646; x-3. Bridgeport 320-333—653; 4. Sweetwater 323-338—661; 5. Snyder 356-344—700; 6. Midlothian Heritage 344-365—709; 7. Borger 360-359—719; 8. Graham 371-360—731; 9. Pampa 379-386—765; 10. Brownwood 384-389—773; 11. Godley 418-418—836; 12. Decatur 423-427—849; 13. Burkburnett 432-432—864; 14. Vernon 482-443—925
Individual standings
1. Libby Walinder, Andrews Black 72-69—141; x-2. Sydney Roberts, Brownwood 74-72—146; 3. Alexa Reed, Bridgeport 77-75—152; 4. Brooke Irion, Bridgeport 75-78—153; 5. Kinzee McAllister, Andrews Black 77-77—154; x-T-6. Ryan Pate, Greenwood 77-79—156; Madee McAllister, Andrews Black 77-79—156; x-8. Tailor Anthony, Levelland 79-79—158; T-9. Bailey McCarver, Andrews Gold 83-79—159; Courtney Velasquez, Snyder 82-77—159
Andrews Black individuals — Libby Walinder 72-69—141; Kinzee McAllister 77-77—154; Madee McAllister 77-79—156; Rachel Huffman 79-83—162; Savannah Pinson 85-84—169.
Andrews Gold individuals — Bailey McCarver 83-76—159; Sam Flores 80-82—162; Kaelyn Savell 86-78—164; Macy Schulze 84-81—165; Mikala Haynie 82-92—174.
Greenwood individual — Ryan Pate 77-79—156

FORSAN 3RD, HEADING TO STATE

ODESSA — The Forsan girls golf team shot a 372 in Thursday's second round to finish in third place with a 740 total and earned a state tournament berth at the Region I-2A tournament at Ratliff Ranch Golf Links.

Wellington was the team champion with a two-day total of 722, five shots ahead of second place Memphis.

Forsan's Jillian Jones won the tournament with a 79-82—161 and finished one stroke ahead of second place Renee Molloy of Memphis. Forsan teammate Razyl Yanez placed in sixth place with a 84-89—173.

Region I-2A Girls Golf Tournament
Wednesday-Thursday
Ratliff Ranch Golf Links, Odessa
x-denotes state tournament qualifier
Team standings
x-1. Wellington 386-336—722; x-2. Memphis 375-352—727; x-3. Forsan 369-372—740; 4. Plains 392-405—797; 5. Anson 420-409—829; 6. Haskell 420-420—840; 7. McCamey 424-410—834; 8. Gruver 418-423—841; 9. Van Horn 435-413—848; 10. Panhandle 443-409—852; 11. Vega 429-447—876; 12. West Texas 439-460—899; 13. Sundown 447-455—902; 14. Olton 449-465—914.
Top 10 Individuals
1. Jillian Jones, Forsan 79-82—161; T-2. Renee Molloy, Memphis 84-78—162; Ashley Watts, Wellington 81-81—162; x-4. Lazzie Jones, Gruver 81-84—165; 5. Kaylee Martin, Wellington 80-85—165; 6. Razyl Yanez, Forsan 84-89—173; x-7. Madison Davis, Plains 86-90—176; x-T-8. Mattie Mayfield, Gruver 87-90—177; Destiney Benavides, Haskell 89-88—177; Taylor Tomlinson, Christoval 94-83—177.
Forsan individuals — Jillian Jones 79-82—161; Razyl Yanez 84-89—173; Sierra Darling 89-90—179; Alexis Stanclo 116-116—232; Alyssa Lee 121-111—232

NBA PLAYOFF GLANCE

FIRST ROUND
(Best-of-7; y-if necessary)
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Cleveland vs. Detroit
Sunday, April 17: Detroit at Cleveland, 2 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20: Detroit at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Friday, April 22: Cleveland at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Sunday, April 24: Cleveland at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto vs. Indiana
Saturday, April 16: Indiana at Toronto, 11:30 a.m.
Monday, April 18: Indiana at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Thursday, April 21: Toronto at Indiana, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 23: Toronto at Indiana, 2 p.m.
Miami vs. Charlotte
Sunday, April 17: Charlotte at Miami, 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20: Charlotte at Miami, 6 p.m.
Saturday, April 23: Miami at Charlotte, 4:30 p.m.
Atlanta vs. Boston
Saturday, April16: Boston at Atlanta, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, April19: Boston at Atlanta, 6 p.m.
Friday, April 22: Atlanta at Boston, 7 p.m.
Sunday, April 24: Atlanta at Boston, 5 p.m.
WESTERN CONFERENCE
Golden State vs. Houston
Saturday, April 16: Houston at Golden State, 2:30 p.m.
Monday, April 18: Houston at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 21: Golden State at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 24: Golden State at Houston, 2:30 p.m.
San Antonio vs. Memphis
Sunday, April 17: Memphis at San Antonio, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19: Memphis at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Friday, April 22: San Antonio at Memphis, 8:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 24: San Antonio at Memphis, Noon
Oklahoma City at Dallas
Saturday, April 16: Dallas at Oklahoma City, 8:30 p.m.
Monday, April 18: Dallas at Oklahoma City, 5 p.m.
Thursday, April 21: Oklahoma City at Dallas, 6 p.m.
Saturday, April 23: Oklahoma City at Dallas, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers vs. Portland
Sunday, April 17: Portland at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20: Portland at L.A. Clippers, 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 23: L.A. Clippers at Portland, 9:30 p.m.
Monday, April 25: L.A. Clippers at Portland, 9:30 p.m.
x-Wednesday, April 27: Portland at L.A. Clippers, TBD
x-Friday, April 29: L.A. Clippers at Portland, TBD
x-Sunday, May 1: Portland at L.A. Clippers, TBD

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ROCKHOUNDSREPORT

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ROCKHOUNDS 9, TRAVELERS 3
At Security Bank Ballpark
HITTERS OF THE NIGHT: Midland's Ryon Healy was 3-for-5 with a double, a home run, two runs scored and three RBI. Teammate Jaycob Brugman was 2-for-4 with a double, two runs scored and an RBI. ... Arkansas' Sherman Johnson was 3-for-3 with two walks and run scored.

PITCHERS OF THE NIGHT: RockHounds reliever Andres Avila allowed one run on four hits in two innings of work to get the win. Fellow reliever Corey Walter pitched two scoreless innings, allowed one hits, walked one and struck out three.

NOTES: The teams will meet in the second game of a three-game series at 7 p.m. ... The RockHounds got nine runs on nine hits. ... Midland was a perfect 4-for-4 on stolen bases. Arkansas attempted one stolen base and was caught.

TODAY'S PROBABLES: Midland - RHP Daniel Mengden (0-0, 0.00 ERA). Arkansas - Jordan Kipper (0-0, 1.69)

TL standings

First Half

North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Springfield (Cardinals)	6	1	.571	–
Northwest Arkansas (Royals)	5	2	.429	1
Arkansas (Angels)	3	3	.500	3
Tulsa (Dodgers)	2	5	.286	4

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Frisco (Rangers)	6	1	.857	–
Corpus Christi (Astros)	4	3	.571	2
San Antonio (Padres)	4	3	.571	2
Midland (Athletics)	3	4	.429	3

Thursday's Scores
Midland 9, Arkansas 3
Corpus Christi 10, Tulsa 5
Frisco 7, Northwest Arkansas 3
San Antonio 5, Springfield 0

Today's Games
Arkansas at Midland, 7 p.m.
Northwest Arkansas at Frisco, 7:05 p.m.
Corpus Christi at Tulsa, 7:05 p.m.
San Antonio at Springfield, 7:10 p.m.

ROCKHOUNDS 9, TRAVELERS 3

Arkansas	ab	r	h	bi
Johnson 2b	3	1	3	0
Hinshaw cf	4	0	2	2
Aguilera 1b	5	0	1	1
Daniel 3b	5	0	0	0
Towey rf	5	0	1	0
Wise c	5	0	2	0
Yarbrough dh	4	0	1	0
Way lf	4	1	0	0
Phillips ss	3	1	1	0
Totals	38	3	11	3

Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Sportman lf	3	2	0	0
Brugman cf	4	2	2	1
Healy 1b	5	2	3	5
Chapman 3b	4	1	1	0
Ross dh	3	1	1	0
Stassi c	3	0	1	2
Rodriguez 2b	2	0	0	0
Barreto ss	3	1	0	0
Vertigan rf	4	0	1	0
Totals	32	9	9	8

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Arkansas	100	000	000						1
Midland	000	000	000						9

E - Phillips (1), Sportman (1), Wise (1). DP - Arkansas 2, Midland 1. LOB - Arkansas 12, Midland 7. 2B - Healy (3), Brugman (1). HR - Healy (1). SB - Brugman (2), Barreto (1), Chapman (1), Sportman (1). CS - Hinshaw (2).

Arkansas	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
V. Alcantara L, 1-1	3.1	4	6	5	0	0
DeLoach	2.2	3	1	1	1	3
Reynolds	1.0	0	0	0	2	1
Broussard	1.0	2	2	2	0	1
Midland						
R. Alcantara	4.0	6	2	2	3	3
Avila W, 1-0	2.0	4	1	1	1	1
Walter	2.0	1	0	0	1	3
Hall	1.0	0	0	0	1	1

WP - R.Alcantara.
T-3:23. A - 6,198.

RockHounds

From 1C

three-run frame that was highlighted by a two-run single by Carson Blair, a player who spent some time in the big leagues last year with the Oakland A's after some time in Midland.

The RockHounds added another three-run inning in fourth and the game was basically over thanks to the work of the Midland bullpen.

While it wasn't a perfect night on the diamond as both teams showed there's still a lot of work to be done, it was still a perfect night for Midland baseball fans.

The RockHounds are back and they got what fans hope will be the first of many home wins.

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MCPREVIEWCAPSULES

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2016 NJCAC Baseball Standings

Team	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
Midland College	18	3	35	13
New Mexico JC	14	6	24	16
Howard College	12	6	21	18
New Mexico Military	12	9	18	22
Clarendon College	11	9	22	17
Odessa College	9	11	21	18
Western Texas	7	13	10	27
El Paso CC	7	13	10	29
Frank Phillips	4	12	9	24
Luna CC	4	16	9	29

Last weekend's series
Midland College 4, Odessa College 0;
Howard College 3, New Mexico JC 1; New Mexico Military Institute 3, Clarendon College 1; Western Texas College 3, Luna Community College 1; El Paso Community College 2, Frank Phillips College 2

This weekend's series
Midland College at El Paso Community College; Frank Phillips College at Odessa College; Howard College vs. Western Texas College; Luna Community College at Clarendon College; New Mexico Junior College vs. New Mexico Military Institute

2016 NJCAC Softball Standings

Team	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
Clarendon College	13	3	35	17
Midland College	13	4	33	10
Howard College	10	4	29	13
Odessa College	10	4	25	18
El Paso CC	9	7	23	23
Western Texas	8	10	17	27
Frank Phillips	2	14	9	29
Luna CC	0	14	6	25

Last weekend's NJCAC series
Midland College 6, Luna Community College 0; Clarendon College 1, Howard College 1; Frank Phillips College at Howard College, ppd.; Odessa College 4, El Paso Community College 0; Western Texas College 2, Frank Phillips College 0; Clarendon College 2, Western Texas College 0

This weekend's series
Frank Phillips College at Midland College (2 games on Friday); Clarendon College at Midland College (2 games on Saturday); Clarendon College at Odessa College (2 games on Friday); Frank Phillips College at Odessa College (2 games on Saturday); Luna Community College at Howard College; El Paso Community College at Western Texas College

Baseball

MIDLAND COLLEGE AT EL PASO CC

When/where: Doubleheaders today and Saturday beginning at noon, El Paso CC baseball field, El Paso

Records: Midland College 25-12, 18-2 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; El Paso Community College 10-29, 7-13

Notes: The Chaparrals have a four-game lead in the WJCAC standings with 16 games left in the conference season. ... MC is coming off a four-game series sweep of rival Odessa College and has won 16 of its last 18 games. ...Freshman OF Hill Alexander continued his tear last weekend as he hit three more home runs to add to his single-season school record of 20. ... EPCC split its four-game series last weekend with Frank Phillips and needs wins to keep its slim postseason hopes alive. ... The MC rotation for the series will be: LHP Tucker Davidson (4-2, 2.21) followed by RHP Brady Maxham (4-2, 7.07) today. Then on Saturday it will be RHP Zach Murphy (5-2, 3.69), followed by RHP Shane Browning (2-1, 6.07).

Next: Midland College at Odessa College, 2 p.m. Wednesday

Softball

MIDLAND COLLEGE VS. FRANK PHILLIPS COLLEGE
MIDLAND COLLEGE VS. CLARENDON COLLEGE

When/where: Doubleheader vs. Frank Philips College, 1 p.m. today; doubleheader vs. Clarendon College, noon Saturday, Midland College softball field

Records: Midland College 32-10, 12-4 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Frank Phillips College 9-29, 0-14; Clarendon College 28-17, 13-3

Notes: The Lady Chaparrals look to continue their strong play after sweeping Luna Community College last weekend on the road. ... Frank Phillips has struggled but MC coach Tommy Ramos will caution his team not to overlook the Lady Plainsmen. Meanwhile, Clarendon College is one game ahead of MC in the WJCAC standings after splitting a doubleheader with Howard College and sweeping a doubleheader vs. Western Texas College last weekend and should be a good test for the Lady Chaps. ... MC's sophomore third baseman Lauren Taunu'u was named NJCAA Division Softball Player of the Week after hitting .875 with six home runs and 14 RBI, scored 13 runs and walked nine times in last week's series against Luna.

Next: Odessa College at Midland College (DH), 1 p.m. Friday, April 22

TEXASMLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

RANGERS 6
ORIOLES 3

ARLINGTON — Rougned Odor had a tiebreaking double in a five-run sixth inning and the Texas Rangers beat Baltimore 6-3 on Thursday night, handing the Orioles their second straight loss after a 7-0 start.

The Texas rally preserved a career-best nine-game winning streak for ace Cole Hamels, who struggled after retiring the first eight hitters and left facing a 3-1 deficit in the sixth.

After Tom Wilhelmsen (1-0) kept the Rangers close by getting an inning-ending double play, five straight Texas hitters reached in the sixth against Baltimore starter Chris Tillman (1-1).

Mitch Moreland's bloop double and an infield flare that snapped Ian Desmond's 0-for-16 slump started a run of four consecutive run-scoring hits.

Mark Trumbo hit his third homer for the Orioles, who were off to their best start since moving to Baltimore in 1954.

Texas closer Shawn Tolleson pitched around a two-out single in the ninth for his third save, getting help from Adrian Beltre when the third basemen threw out Jonathan Schoop from foul ground behind the bag for the second out.

Texas rookie Nomar Mazara continued his hot start with two hits, including a double that started the sixth-inning rally.

Hamels, trying to join Yu Darvish as the only Texas pitchers in the past 11 seasons to win three straight starts to open the season, allowed seven hits and three runs in 5 1/3 innings. His regular-season winning streak goes back to last August, and he remained 6-0 in Arlington.

Associated Press

Texas Rangers starting pitcher Cole Hamels works against the Baltimore Orioles during the first inning of a game Thursday in Arlington.

ROYALS 6
ASTROS 2

HOUSTON — Ian Kennedy threw seven strong innings, Eric Hosmer hit a two-run double during a five-run sixth and the Kansas City Royals beat the Houston Astros 6-2 on Thursday night.

Kennedy (2-0) started with five hitless innings and retired 14 straight before Carlos Gomez's leadoff single to center in the sixth. Kennedy struck out seven and allowed a run on two hits and two walks.

Mike Moustakas hit a solo homer in the first and went 2 for 4 with a walk.

Hosmer, Lorenzo Cain, Alex Gordon and Omar Infante each had two hits and the Royals set a season high with 13 hits. The defending World Series champs are 7-2 after winning the final three games of the four-game set with the Astros.

The Royals' offense came alive with two outs in the sixth. Hosmer hit his double, Kendrys Morales and Gordon followed with RBI doubles and then Salvador Perez hit an RBI single to make it 6-0.

Jose Altuve had two hits for Houston, including a solo home run to lead off the seventh. Carlos Correa had an RBI single in the ninth.

Lee rallies for huge win vs. Abilene High

From staff reports

The Lee softball team kept its slim District 3-6A playoff hopes alive by defeating Abilene High, 7-4, for its first district win, Thursday at Gene Smith Field.

Trailing 4-3, the Lady Rebels (10-17-1, 1-7 in District 3-6A) broke the game open by erupting for four runs in the sixth inning to take a 7-4 lead.

Emily Nunez and Lindsey Greenlee each led Lee with three hits in the triumph. Lee's Shelby Olivas and Greenlee both scored two runs and had one stolen base apiece, while teammate Alaina Marquez went 2-for-4 with a double and two RBI.

2016 District 3-6A Softball standings

	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L	T
x-Midland High	7	1	30	7	1
x-Odessa Permian	6	2	22	6	0
x-Odessa High	5	2	21	6	1
Abilene High	3	5	14	9	2
San Angelo Central	1	6	7	15	0
Lee	1	7	10	17	1

x- clinched playoff berth

Wednesday's Scores
Midland High 4, Odessa Permian 0
Thursday's Scores
Lee 7, Abilene High 4
Saturday's Games
Odessa High at San Angelo Central, TBA

In seven innings, Lady Rebels starting pitcher Melanie Marin limited the Lady Eagles (3-5 in District 3-6A) to two hits to notch the win in the circle.

In order to tie for the fourth-place spot, Lee must win its two remaining games at San Angelo Central on Tuesday and versus Midland High on April 23, and hope that Abilene High drops its remaining games against Midland High and Odessa High.

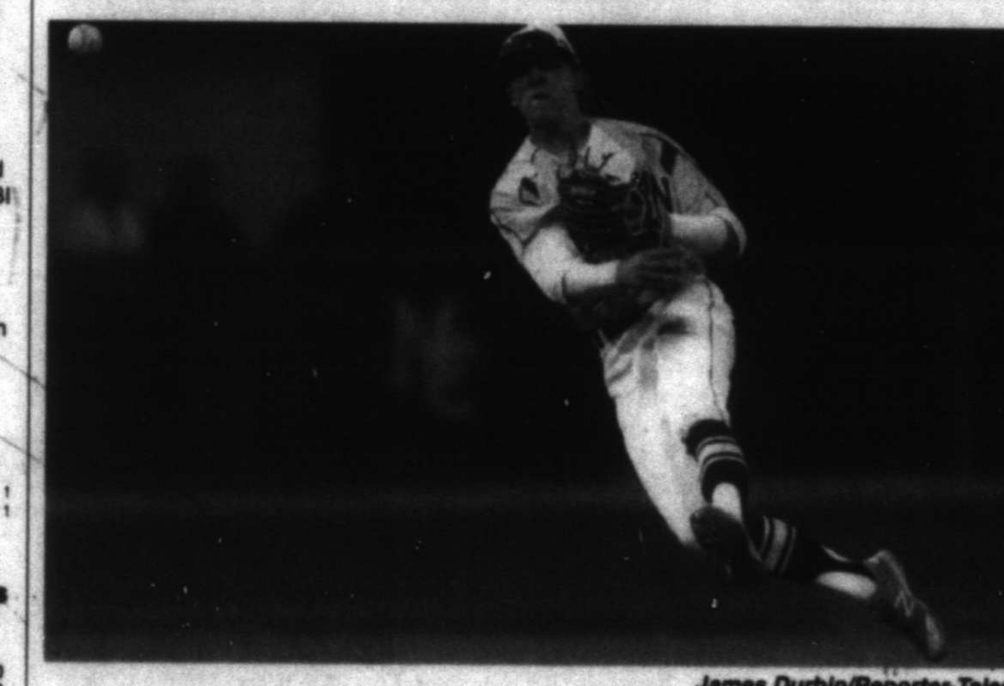
LEE 7, ABILENE HIGH 4

Abilene	001	210	0	—4 2 1
Lee	002	104	x	—7 12 5

G. Ortega and K. Oddis. Melanie Marin and Kirkland. W - Marin. L - Ortega. 2B - Lee: Abby Jordan, Alaina Marquez. HR - Abilene High: B. Portez.

Records: Abilene High 3-5 in District 3-6A, Lee 10-17-1, 1-7

Next: Lee at San Angelo Central, 4:30 p.m. Tuesday



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High shortstop Jaxon Hallmark (1) throws the ball to first base during the game against Lee High on April 5 at Christensen Stadium.

MHS

From 1C

'We don't want to score too many.' But I think our mindset changes (with a lead)."

One of the Bulldogs' hitters who might help turn things around for his team at the plate is shortstop Jaxon Hallmark.

In his last three games, the junior has gone 7-for-10 with a home run, two doubles and eight RBI. On the season, Hallmark is hitting .400 with 31 RBI and 20 runs to his credit while shifting around in Russell's lineup.

Hallmark said that confidence — a belief that things will soon turn around — is the key to navigating through a slump deprived of clutch hits.

"Baseball is a game of failure, so it happens," Hallmark said. "We just have to be confident at the plate. We're getting hits, just not timely hits. We just have to stay confident, trust the process, keep our heads down, keep grinding and it will come. We'll get out of it."

MHS will travel to Abilene to take on the Eagles (10-12, 4-6) at 4:30 p.m. today.

2016 District 3-6A Baseball standings

	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L	T
Lee	9	3	19	6	0
Midland High	8	3	17	9	0
Odessa High	5	5	14	12	0
Abilene High	4	6	10	12	0
San Angelo Central	4	6	9	14	1
Odessa Permian	4	6	9	10	3

Wednesday's Games
MHS 2, Abilene High 1; San Angelo Central 3, Lee 2; Odessa Permian 4, Odessa High 3
Today's Games
MHS at Abilene High; San Angelo Central at Lee; Odessa High at Odessa Permian. All games at 4:30 p.m.

Rebels reminded of work to be done

Throughout the District 3-6A season, No. 23-ranked Lee has looked the part of the district's top all-around team.

In their 10 district games, the Rebels (15-6, 8-2) have outscored their opposition, 62-35, with 23 of those surrendered runs coming in two games.

Lee is currently sitting on a three-game cushion for first place in the district. But Wednesday's 3-2 road loss against San Angel Central was a reminder that there is still plenty of work to be done.

The Rebels led the Bobcats, 1-0 before Central stormed back to score three runs in the bottom of the sixth en route to the victory.

"If you've been around the game long enough you can expect a little bit of a let down," said Lee head coach Brian Roper. "We did play bad (against Central). There's no excuse there."

But Roper added that playing in a close game like Wednesday's will help his team remain focused for the final stretch of the 3-6A season.

"It helps your ball club anytime you play in one-run games, in that kind of environment," Roper said. "It was an intense game and every time you put your team in that, it prepares you. It's about continuing to get better."

Greenwood in comfortable spot

After a 5-4, nine-inning road win against Seminole on Wednesday, Greenwood's playoff hopes appear bright with four district games left.

The Rangers (12-11, 4-2 in District 4-4A) are in second place and can clinch a playoff berth with a win against Pecos on Saturday, combined with a Seminole loss against first-place Andrews.

MLB GLANCE

Standings

American League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	7	2	.778	—
Toronto	5	2	.714	2½
Boston	4	4	.500	2½
New York	4	4	.500	2½
Tampa Bay	3	6	.333	4

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	7	2	.778	—
Kansas City	7	2	.778	—
Detroit	6	2	.750	½
Cleveland	4	3	.571	2
Minnesota	0	9	.000	7

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	5	4	.556	—
Texas	6	5	.545	—
Oakland	4	6	.400	1½
Seattle	3	6	.333	2
Houston	3	7	.300	2½

National League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	7	1	.875	—
Philadelphia	5	5	.500	3
Miami	3	4	.429	3½
New York	3	5	.375	4
Atlanta	0	9	.000	7½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	6	1	.889	—
Cincinnati	5	4	.556	3
St. Louis	5	4	.556	3
Pittsburgh	5	5	.500	3½
Milwaukee	4	5	.444	4

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	6	4	.600	—
Colorado	5	4	.556	½
Los Angeles	5	4	.556	½
Arizona	3	6	.333	2½
San Diego	3	7	.300	3

Scores and Schedules

American League
Thursday's Scores
Detroit 7, Pittsburgh 4
Chicago White Sox 3, Minnesota 1
Cleveland 8, Tampa Bay 0
Toronto 4, N.Y. Yankees 2
Texas 6, Baltimore 3
Kansas City 6, Houston 2

Today's Games
Seattle (Karns 0-1) at N.Y. Yankees (Severino) 0-1), 6:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Rodon 2-0) at Tampa Bay (Odorizzi 0-1), 6:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (B.Colon 0-1) at Cleveland (Co. Anderson 0-0), 6:10 p.m.
Toronto (Dickey 1-1) at Boston (Porcello 1-0), 6:10 p.m.
Baltimore (Worley 0-0) at Texas (M.Perez 0-1), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Fulmer 0-1) at Houston (Keuchel 1-1), 7:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Richards 0-0) at Minnesota (Milone 0-1), 8:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Volquez 1-0) at Oakland (R.Hill 1-1), 9:05 p.m.

National League
Thursday's Scores
Detroit 7, Pittsburgh 4
Philadelphia 3, San Diego 0
St. Louis 7, Milwaukee 0
Colorado 11, San Francisco 6
Washington 9, Atlanta 2
Chicago Cubs 8, Cincinnati 1
Arizona at L.A. Dodgers, late

Today's Games
Colorado (Bettis 1-0) at Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 1-0), 1:20 p.m.
Milwaukee (Nelson 1-1) at Pittsburgh (Locke 0-0), 6:05 p.m.
Washington (J.Ross 1-0) at Philadelphia (Hellickson 1-0), 6:05 p.m.
Atlanta (W.Perez 0-0) at Miami (Chen 0-0), 6:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (B.Colon 0-1) at Cleveland (Co. Anderson 0-0), 6:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Melville 0-0) at St. Louis (C.Martinez 1-0), 7:15 p.m.
San Francisco (Bumgarner 1-0) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 1-0), 9:10 p.m.
Arizona (Greinke 0-2) at San Diego (Shields 0-2), 9:40 p.m.

Texas box scores

RANGERS 6, ORIOLES 3

Baltimore	ab	r	h	bi
Rickett lf	5	0	1	1
Machado 3b	4	0	1	0
A.Jones cf	4	0	0	0
C.Davis 1b	2	1	0	0
Trumbo dh	4	1	1	1
Wieters c	3	0	1	0
J.Hardy ss	4	0	1	1
Schoop 2b	4	N	1	0
Reimold rf	3	1	2	0
Kim ph	1	0	1	0
Totals	34	3	9	3

Texas	ab	r	h	bi
DShields cf	4	0	2	0
Mazara rf	4	1	2	1
Fielder dh	4	0	0	0
Beltre 3b	3	1	1	0
Martinez 1b	4	1	1	1
Gallo lf	4	1	1	1
Odor 2b	4	1	2	2
Andrus ss	3	1	1	1
Holaday c	3	0	0	0
Totals	33	6	10	6

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Baltimore	001	000	200						3
Texas	001	000	004x						6

DP - Texas 2. LOB - Baltimore 7, Texas 5. 2B - Rickett (3), Wieters (2), Reimold 2 (3), Mazara (1), Moreland (5), Odor 2 (4). HR - Trumbo (3).

Baltimore	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Tillman L,1-1	5 1-3	9	6	6	1	1
Givens	2-3	1	0	0	0	2
McFarland	1	0	0	0	1	1
Bach	1	0	0	0	0	1
Texas						
Hamels	5 1-3	7	3	3	2	4
Wilhelmsen W,1-0	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Kela H,3	1	0	0	0	0	2
S.Dyson H,4	1	0	0	0	1	1
Tolleson S,3-4	1	1	0	0	0	0

WP - Tillman, Givens.
T-2:47. A-22,820 (48,114).

ROYALS 6, ASTROS 2

Kansas City	ab	r	h	bi
Alcides ss	5	0	0	0
Moustakas 2b	4	1	2	1
C.Colon ph-2b	0	0	0	0
L.Cain cf	5	1	2	0
Hosmer 1b	5	1	2	2
Morales dh	4	1	1	1
A.Gordon lf	4	1	2	1
S.Perez c	4	0	1	1
Infante 2b	4	0	2	0
Orlando rf	4	1	1	0
Gallo ph	1	1	1	0
Totals	39	6	13	6

Houston	ab	r	h	bi
A.Altuve 2b	4	1	2	1
Springer rf	3	0	0	0
Correa ss	4	0	1	1
C.Pena 1b	3	0	0	0
White lb	3	0	0	0
Tucker dh	2	0	0	0
Marwin ph-dh	1	0	0	0
C.Gomez cf	3	0	1	0
Maxwell 3b	3	0	0	0
J.Castro c	2	0	0	0
Totals	29	2	5	2

Kansas City	000	000	600	—6
Houston	000	000	101	—2

DP - Kansas City 3. LOB - Kansas City 7, Houston 2. 2B - Hosmer (1), K.Morales (3), A.Gordon (2), Altuve (4). HR - Moustakas (3), Altuve (3). CS - Cal.Ripken (1).

Kansas City	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Kennedy W,2-0	7	5	1	1	2	7
D.Duffy	1 1-3	3	1	1	0	2
W.Davis S,5-6	0-3	0	0	0	0	0
Houston						
Feldman L,1-1	5 2-3	9	4	4	0	3
Devenski	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	1

Texas box scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
INDIANS 6, RAYS 0

Cleveland	200	013	101	—8	12	0
Tampa Bay	000	000	000	—0	5	2

Salazar, McAllister (7), S.Shaw (8), Bauer (9) and R.Perez; Archer, Geltz (8), Eveland (7), Webb (8), Farquhar (9) and Conger. W - Salazar 2-0. L - Archer 0-3. HRs - Cleveland, Byrd (1), R.Davis (1), J.Ramirez (1).

WHITE SOX 3, TWINS 1

Chicago	100	100	100	—3	9	1
Minnesota	000	100	000	—1	4	1

Latos, Albers (7), Duke (8), N.Jones (8), Robertson (9) and Navarro; E.Santana, Abad (8), May (8), Rogers (9) and J.Murphy. W - Latos 2-0. L - E. Santana 0-1. Sv - Robertson (3). HRs - Chicago, Av.Garcia (2).

BLUE JAYS 4, YANKEES 2

New York	000	200	000	—2	3	0
Toronto	000	031	00x	—4	8	0

Eovaldi, Barbato (7) and B.McCann; Stroman, Osuna (9) and R.Martin. W - Stroman 2-0. L - Eovaldi 0-1. Sv - Osuna (4). HRs - Toronto, Donaldson (5), Tulowitzki (2).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
PHILLIES 3, PADRES 0

San Diego	000	000	000	—0	3	0
Philadelphia	010	001	10x	—3	4	0

Pomeranz, Ca.Villanueva (7), Maurer (8) and De Norfa; Velasquez and Rupp. W - Velasquez 2-0. L - Pomeranz 1-1. HRs - Philadelphia, Howard (3).

CARDINALS 7, BREWERS 0

Milwaukee	000	000	000	—0	1	0
St. Louis	002	000	20x	—7	11	0

W.Peralta, Capuano (6), S.Freeman (8) and Maldonado; J.Garcia and Molina. W - J.Garcia 1-0. L - W.Peralta 0-3. HRs - St. Louis, Grichuk (1), Hazelbaker (3).

ROCKIES 11, GIANTS 6

San Francisco	000	100	300	—4	8	1
Colorado	000	000	02x	—11	13	3

M.Cain, Heston (5), Lopez (7), Strickland (8) and Posey; Bettis, J.De La Rosa, J.Miller (7), Qualls (8), Logan (9) and Wolters. W - J.De La Rosa 1-1. L - M.Cain 0-1. HRs - San Francisco, Belt (3), Colorado, Paris (1).

NATIONALS 9, BRAVES 2

Atlanta	001	000	010	—2	5	0
Washington	004	101	00x	—9	9	0

Teheran, Vizcaino (8) and Pierzynski; Strasburg, Rivero (8) and W.Ramos. W - Strasburg 3-0. L - Teheran 0-2. HRs - Washington, Harper (3), W.Ramos (1).

CUBS 8, REDS 1

Cincinnati	000	000	001	—1	6	2
Chicago	010	030	03x	—8	11	0

R.Iglesias, B.Wood (6), Cotham (7), Hoover (8), Jo.Diaz (9) and Barnhart; Hammel, Villanueva (7), Strop (8), Grimm (9) and M.Montgomery. W - Hammel 1-0. L - R.Iglesias 1-1. HRs - Chicago, Bryant (2).

INTERLEAGUE
TIGERS 7, PIRATES 4

Detroit	000	300	030	—7	9	2
Pittsburgh	000	000	310	—4	11	1

Sanchez, Wilhelmsen (7), Lobaton (7), R.Rodriguez (8) and B.Wilson; Cole, Scahill (7), Watson (8), Caminero (9) and Stewart. W - Sanchez 2-0. L - Cole 0-2. Sv - R.Rodriguez (3). HRs - Detroit, Castellanos (3).

Sipp	1	2	0	0	0	1
Fields	1	1	0	0	0	1

WP - Fields.
T-2:41. A-21,203 (41,676).

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Midland College men's golf

CASEY FOWLER

Signing school: University of Texas at Arlington, NCAA Division I

Hometown: Andrews

Fowler on why he chose UTA: "The coach there (Stuart Deane) has played on the PGA Tour before and I felt he could help me take my game to the next level. Also being close to Dallas, there are a lot of good golf courses around there, it's still in Texas, which was important to me, and it's only about five hours away from home."

Fowler

Notes: Fowler is a key golfer for a Chaparral team that is ranked No. 3 in the country. His average score is 73.05, ranked No. 30 in the NJCAA individual rankings and he has 70 birdies this year. ... He played his freshman year at Odessa College. ... Fowler was part of two state championship teams at Andrews.

XANDER BASSON

Signing school: Texas State University, NCAA Division I

Hometown: Emalahleni, Republic of South Africa

Basson on why he chose Texas State: "I had always wanted to go to a Division I school and I thought Texas State was the best place for me develop my game. I liked the school and I liked the coach and I'm majoring in business management, so it was a good fit for me."

Notes: Basson is currently ranked 27th in the NJCAA's individual rankings and has an average, score of 72.96. His lowest round of the year is a 65 and he's also recorded seven eagles and 88 birdies. ... Basson added that MC has helped his game to grow over the two years there. ... Other schools he looked at were Texas A&M Commerce and Florida Tech.

Basson

DOMINICK HASKINS

Signing school: Midwestern State University, NCAA Division II

Hometown: El Paso

Haskins on why he chose Midwestern State: "I looked at Mississippi State, Arizona at Wyoming but I felt that there wouldn't be as much pressure by going to Midwestern State and I would have a better chance of making it to the top five. Sure, it's not Division I but sometimes you have to go where it makes you happy, and I'm happy with my decision. It's a small environment and I felt very comfortable there."

Haskins

Notes: Haskins, the grandson of legendary UTEP basketball coach Don Haskins, is in his second year with the Chaparrals after transferring from Western New Mexico University. ... His average score is 72.63 and is No. 20 in the NJCAA individual ranking. ... Haskins has been a key golfer in helping MC reach No. 3 in the latest NJCAA rankings.

MC coach Delnor Poss on his golfers signing with four-year schools: "These three have made a big impact on our program this year and they have helped make up the best team we've had since the national championship team in 2008. They were all recruited out of high school and they all eventually ended up here. Their contributions to MC golf has been outstanding and they have all shown to be great citizens with great demeanors."

Midland College softball

KAITLYN DURRETT

Signing school: Sterling College (Kansas), NAIA

Position: Pitcher

Hometown: San Jacinto, Calif.

Durrett

Notes: Durrett has been a key pitcher for the Lady Chaparrals in her two seasons with the program. This season, she is 10-5 with a best 2.82 ERA. She also ranks sixth in the WJCAC in wins and is fifth in the league with 63 strikeouts. ... This season, MC is 32-10 overall and 12-4 in WJCAC play.

MC's Wright, Francis sign with D1 schools

By Oscar LeRoy
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Walnatia Wright's goal was always to play NCAA Division I college basketball.

She never wavered on that goal and now she's going to get a chance to realize that dream.

Francis

Wright

The 6-foot-2 sophomore post and NJCAA All-American for the Midland College women's basketball team signed a letter-of-intent Thursday to play at Texas A&M.

"I guess I just didn't give up (on the goal), and this means a lot," Wright said.

Wright was joined by MC men's basketball player Daeshon Francis, who signed a letter-of-intent to play for Stephen F. Austin, a program which made a nice run in the NCAA tournament this past season.

Wright enjoyed a fantastic two-year career with the Lady Chaparrals, and this season the Augusta, Georgia, native was not only an NJCAA All-American but the Western Junior College Athletic Conference MVP after averaging 17.6 points and 9.7 rebounds and leading MC to a 27-7 record and the Sweet 16 of the NJCAA National Tournament.

Wright is the first Lady Chap to sign with Texas A&M since former NJCAA All-American Achiri Ade did it in 2013. Wright said although she doesn't know Ade well, she got some insights into the Aggie program from her and it eventually came down to either Arizona State or A&M.

MC coach Ron Jones said he's known A&M head coach Gary Blair and his staff a long time and believes she will be a great fit.

"She's going to get to go play in the (Southeastern Conference) and I think she's an SEC-caliber type player," Jones said. "It's been fun to watch Walnatia not only grow as a player but as a person over the last two years and that's the part of coaching that is really enjoyable."

For Francis, his signing is a return to NCAA Division I as he played his freshman year at Wisconsin Green-Bay.

In his only season at MC, the 6-4 guard from Indianapolis was fourth in the WJCAC in scoring in 17.9 points per game.

"It's amazing to have this opportunity and by being at Midland College it opened up more opportunities than I ever expected to have coming out of high school," he said. "(SFA) is a wonderful program. I'm very excited to get my degree. On the court side of things, I just want to help them back to the tournament just like they did this year."

Francis said his visit to SFA was the only one he took even though some other programs had shown interest. He said the interest that the program had in him never wavered even after former head coach Brad Underwood left for the Oklahoma State job.

"They were not only interested early but they came to visit me and that's important because it shows that they really wanted me there," he said.

MC coach Jordan Dreiling said Francis' loyalty doesn't surprise them.

"His game is kind of like that too: He knows what he wants and he goes and gets it," Dreiling said. "He's just a loyal guy. When he makes his decision, he's not going to back down and he's going to stick to it. He's loved those guys all year. He had TCU interest, he had UNLV interest. But he knows he coming in to fill a void, so he's not just wanted there but he's needed, and it's cool to be both."

Dreiling said it's an added bonus that Francis signed with a Southland Conference program that plays Abilene Christian.

"We will get to see him and we'll get to travel," Dreiling said. "That's neat for all of us. I love it when kids choose schools near by so we can cheer them on."

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Big deal! Rams grab No. 1 overall draft pick from Titans

By Greg Beacham
Associated Press

OXNARD, Calif. — The Rams are tired of waiting to get a franchise quarterback, and they want to make a splash in their return to Los Angeles.

So after waiting a day out of respect for Kobe Bryant, they went all in on one of the biggest trades in NFL draft history.

The Rams acquired the No. 1 overall pick from the Tennessee Titans, giving up six draft picks over the next two seasons in exchange for three choices.

General manager Les Snead and coach Jeff Fisher left little doubt the Rams will choose a quarterback with the top pick, hoping to end years of frustration at the most important position in football.

"This is a fun time, an exciting time," Fisher said Thursday at the team's temporary Southern California headquarters. "We still have work to do, (but) we're going to get the right guy, and everybody is going to like him, and we're going to go out and win some games."

Los Angeles has already held private workouts with California's Jared Goff and North Dakota State's Carson Wentz, generally considered the top two quarterback prospects in the field. Although Snead confirmed the Rams won't reveal their pick before draft night, the GM is clearly thrilled by the chance to add a potential franchise passer to an all-around solid roster lacking a centerpiece.

"We do have a few players in mind," Snead said with a grin. "There will be suspense leading all the way up. ... There's not enough (quarterbacks) on the planet to feed 32 NFL teams, so that is the challenge."

In the first NFL trade involving the top overall pick since 2004, the Rams also acquired Tennessee's choices in the fourth and sixth rounds. In exchange, the Titans got the 15th overall pick from Los Angeles along with two second-round selections and a third-round pick in this draft, along with the Rams' first- and third-round picks in 2017.

That's an extraordinary commitment of future resources, but the Rams are weary of waiting. They've missed the playoffs in 11 straight seasons, and haven't finished with a winning record since 2003.

"Historically, no one has done this," Fisher said. "Both Tennessee and we realize that no one has gone from 1 to 15."

The Rams went 7-9 in St. Louis last year while getting unimpressive quarterback play from Nick Foles and Case Keenum. With the franchise entering the crowded Los Angeles sports market after 21 years away, the opportunity was ideal to add a marquee name to a team already boasting star running back Todd Gurley and a talented defense.

Snead and Fisher ran the deal by Rams owner Stan Kroenke, who approved of both the bold move and its timing.

"He was very, very excited about this opportunity," Fisher said. "Not only for the potential and the future of his football team, but in addition the circumstances and the timing."

Snead and Titans general manager Jon Robinson have discussed the deal since the draft combine, where their scouting departments happened to be next to each other in the suites in Indianapolis.

"It was easy for Jon and I to sneak out the back of the suite there, act like we were going to the restroom, and chat about the pick," Snead said. "They were willing. I think you've got that luxury when you have (Marcus Mariota)."

But there was a complication: The Titans wanted to finalize the deal on Wednesday so that both teams could have extra time for draft preparations. Most of Los Angeles was spending that day focused on Bryant's final game with the Los Angeles Lakers, a night that turned into a spectacle when Bryant dropped 60 points on the Utah Jazz.

So the teams agreed to wait a day to announce a major NFL trade.

"Jeff and I were deep into football and drafts, and all of a sudden, 'Oh yeah, it is Kobe's last night,' and it was very cool," Snead said. "We were able to chat with Jon and say, 'Hey, we've got this thing going in LA that's pretty important, and it's obviously bigger than just LA.' They were nice enough to say, 'You know what? Let's respect that.' Put it all under wraps, and we can all go watch Kobe get 60 and win the game."

The Rams made another major draft deal four years ago, landing a host of picks from the Washington Redskins, who chose Robert Griffin III. The Rams haven't held the No. 1 pick since taking Sam Bradford in 2010, only to watch him struggle through several injury-plagued seasons before trading him to Philadelphia last year. The second-round pick the Rams got in that deal went to the Titans.

Tennessee now holds six of this draft's first 76 picks. Robinson, hired in January, is looking to rebuild a franchise that has gone 5-27 the past two seasons.

He noted Thursday that the extra picks give him more flexibility.

"I would say this doesn't really knock us out of moving back up. It doesn't mean we're going to," Robinson said. "It gives us options. Much like a play call sheet on game days, you want to have your full play sheet that you can call plays from. We want to have the same thing with the draft. We want to have multiple options and multiple plays, if you will, that we can go to to make this football team better."

The draft-shaking trade also impacts the Cleveland Browns, who have the No. 2 overall pick and have their sights set on landing a franchise quarterback after more than a decade of futility. They've extensively studied both Wentz and Goff, and still could get one, though perhaps not the one they prefer.

SMITH

From 1C

2011-14, the Tigers failed to earn an NCAA bid the last two seasons while going a combined 37-29. Memphis went 19-15 this season and lost to Connecticut in the American Athletic Conference tournament final.

"It's not so much what we're here to prove," Smith said. "It is what we are here to improve. The previous coach, he did a pretty good job."

Memphis' recent struggles led to disenchantment with Pastner. The Tigers' announced home attendance dropped from more than 16,000 during Memphis' last NCAA Tournament season of 2013-14 to 11,812 this season.

Last month, Rudd and athletic director Tom Bowen issued a statement saying the men's basketball program "operates in a manner consistent with the core values of our university and community but has fallen short in our on-court performance the last two years." Rudd and Bowen indicated in that statement they planned to keep Pastner next season, but the coach left for Georgia Tech three weeks later.

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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Last Man St (N)	Dr. Ken (N)	Shark Tank (N)		20/20		Local 2 News (N)	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA, CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News	Ent. Tonight	Race "I Have a Wedgie and a Half" (N)		Hawaii Five-0 "Ka Haunaele" (N)		Blue Bloods "Down the Rabbit Hole" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) Stephen Colbert		(:35) J.Corden
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	A. Griffith	A. Griffith	Happy Days	Laverne & Shirley	Hogan's Heroes	Hogan's Heroes	Carol Burnett	P. Mason "The Case of the Ugly Duckling"		Twilight Zone
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Hell's Kitchen "Six Chefs Compete" (N)		Hell's Kitchen "Five Chefs Compete" (N)		Fox 24 News	TMZ	2 Broke Girls	In the Cage	Two and Half Men	Met Your Mother
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Restore Zion	All About Us	Update News	Sondra Barar	Light of the Southwest		Light of the Southwest		Update News	Shepherd's Heart		Called Out
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News-West 9	NewsWest 9 Now	Caught on Camera "High Anxiety" (N)		Grimm "Inugami" (N)		Dateline NBC		NewsWest 9 at 10	(:35) The Tonight Show		(:35) Seth Meyers
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Wash. Week (N)	Theater Talk	Jazz "Swing: Pure Pleasure (1935-1937)"		PBS Previews		Charlie Rose (N)		World News	Tavis Smiley
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FLIX	340	575		165		(5:00) ★ Restoration		★ Cinema Paradiso Philippe Noiret.				(:05) ★★★ The Aviator ('04, Bio) Leonardo DiCaprio.					
HBO	300	590	14	14		(5:30) ★ What Happ...		(:15) ★★ Vacation ('15, Com) Ed Helms.				Bill Maher (N)		Vice (N)	Bill Maher		Vice
HBO2	302	591	15	101	23	(5:15) ★ Barbershop		Vinyl "E.A.R."		Vinyl		★ Fifty Shades of Grey Dakota Johnson.			(:05) ★★ Scream		
HBO5	304	592	16	102		(:15) ★★★★ Waitress Keri Russell.				★★★ Trainwreck Amy Schumer.				(:15) ★★ Tropic Thunder Ben Stiller.			
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(4:35) ★ Jackie Brown		(:10) ★★ Point of No Return				Banshee (N)		Banshee		Banshee	
MAX2	382	558	18	122		★ I Now Pronounce You Chuck and Larry				Banshee	(:05) ★ Insidious: Chapter 3 Lin Shaye.				Spring	Spring	Movie
PLEX			96			Movie	(:25) ★★ Falling in Love			(:15) ★★★ Wicker Park Josh Hartnett.				(:15) ★★ Oliver's Story			Movie
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(5:30) ★ Murder in ...		★ Chappie ('15, Act) Sharlto Copley.				Boxing Shobox: The New Generation (L)					
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(5:00) ★★ U-571		★★ Last Vegas ('13, Com) Robert De Niro.				★ The Hundred-Foot Journey Helen Mirren.			(:05) ★ Begin Again		
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	60 Days in "Fight Face"		60 Days In "Friends Without Benefits"		60 Days In "Full Innate"		60 Days In: Time Out (N)		First 48 "For a Quick Buck/ Bloody Sunday"		60 Days In "Friends Without Benefits"	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(5:00) ★★★ Back to the Future				★★★ Back to the Future II Michael J. Fox.					★★★ Back to the Future III		
BET	58	-		40		Martin	Martin	★★ Welcome Home, Roscoe Jenkins				Martin		Martin	Martin	Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	76		41		Bevelry	Bravo (N)	People's Couch (N)		The People's Couch		Shahs of Sunset		Housewives Atlanta	★★★ Enchanted		
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Leader	Super Rich	Rich	Rich	Boss "True Value"		Undercover Boss		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		CNN Tonight		Race-White House		Race-White House		The Wonder List	
DISC	50	60	31	25	42	D. Catch "First Timers"		Deadliest Catch (N)		Deadliest Catch (N)		Yukon Men (N)		Bush "Raised Wild"		Alaskan Bush People	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Liv/Mad	Make Mer	Bunk'd	S.Middle	Backstag	Liv/Mad	StarEvil	StarEvil	Underc.	Backstag	Jessie	Jessie
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	(5:00) SportsCenter		Playoff Preview (L)		30 for 30 "This Magic Moment"				SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	SportsCenter		H.S. Basketball Jordan Brand Classic (L)				NFL Live		30 for 30 "This Magic Moment"			
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Diners	Diners	Diners, Drive-Ins		Diners	Diners	Diners (N)	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(4:30) ★★★ The Notebook		★★ Dear John ('10, Dra) Channing Tatum.						The 700 Club		★ The First Time	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Insider (N)	Pre-game (L)	MLB Baseball Baltimore Orioles at Texas Rangers Site: Globe Life Park - Arlington, Texas (L)						Rangers Live (L)	Rangers Insider	The Beat Tex A&M	UEFA Mag. (N)
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(4:30) ★ Spider-Man		★ Hansel and Gretel: Witch Hunters Jeremy Renner.					★ Hansel and Gretel: Witch Hunters Jeremy Renner.				
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	Last Man	Last Man	Home I.	Home I.	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Love It or List It		H.Hunt	House	H.Hunt	House	Love It or List It	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		(:05) Million Dollar		American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	Atlanta Plastic "Bring It! Back to Atlanta"		Plastic "I'm Melting! I'm Melting!" (N)		Atlanta Plastic "Who Let the Dogs Out" (N)		Daughter vs. Bad Girl" (N)	"Housewife	Little Women: LA "Ride or Die Wedding"		Atlanta Plastic "I'm Melting! I'm Melting!"	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		Lockup		Lockup		Lockup	
NBCSN	38	43				NHLLive	NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs					NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs					Overtime
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	The Thundermans		School	HALO	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00) ★ Charlie's An...		★★ Jeepers Creepers Gina Philips.				Wynonna Earp (N)		Hunters		Wynonna Earp	
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Seinfeld "The Susie"	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	The Detour	The Detour	Separation Anxiety "Pablo and Eva"	
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:15) ★ The True St...		★★★ For Me and My Gal Judy Garland.				★★★★ Girl Crazy			(:45) ★ Meet Me In St. Louis		
TELE	20	-	10	20		Caso cerrado		Quien es quien?		Eva, La Trailera		El señor de los cielos		Al rojo	Titulares	Eva, La Trailera	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Say Yes-Dress	Say Yes to the Dress	To Be Announced		Say Yes-Dress (N)	What If We Get Married? (N)		Say Yes-Dress	Say Yes-Dress	What If Married Their Honeymoon's Over"	"The	Say Yes-Dress
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	Bones "El Camicero en el Coche"		★★★ Iron Man 2 An inventor is pressured by the government to share his technology with the military.					★★★ Lee Jones, Vincent D'Onofrio, Will Smith.	Men in Black ('1997, Sci-Fi) Tommy			★★ The Hulk
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	Griffith	A. Griffith	★★★ Robin Hood: Men in Tights Cary Elwes.					Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Lopez
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Missing Pieces"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "True Believers"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Perverted Justice"		Motive "Oblivion" (N)		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Russian Brides"		Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Locum"	
WGN	19	85				Person of Interest "Identity Crisis"		Person of Interest "Flesh and Blood"		Person of Interest "Matsya Nyaya"		Person of Interest "Many Happy Returns"		Person of Interest "No Good Deed"		Person of Interest "Firewall"	

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NHL PLAYOFF ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

CAPITALS 2 FLYERS 0

WASHINGTON — Going into the locker room at the first intermission, the Washington Capitals had no goals but all the momentum.

Three successful penalty kills kept the Philadelphia Flyers off the scoreboard, and the Capitals knew they'd get their chance.

When that happened, John Carlson scored on the power play and the Capitals locked down defensively to shut out the Flyers 2-0 Thursday night in Game 1 of their first-round playoff series.

In a special-teams showcase, Washington leaned on its trademark penalty killing and the goaltending of Braden Holtby to take the lead in the series.

Holtby stopped all 19 shots he faced for his third career shutout in the Stanley Cup playoffs.

"He's been great all year — he's been standing on his head, winning us games and stealing us games," said Jay Beagle, who scored the Capitals' second goal. "With a bunch of (penalty kills), you have to rely on the goaltender quite a bit. He obviously stood on his head again tonight. Those PKs gave us momentum."

The Capitals went 4 for 4 on the penalty kill and frustrated the Flyers, who got only eight shots on net after the first period and lost second-line center Sean Couturier to an upper-body injury midway through the second. Couturier appeared to injure his left arm or shoulder on a hit by Alex Ovechkin and didn't return.

Couturier's status for Game 2 in Washington on Saturday is uncertain. The team said he'd be evaluated Friday.

"All I know is we had to go without him for the rest of the game tonight," Philadelphia coach Dave Hakstol said. "I won't go any further than that."

Couturier's absence could be crushing for the Flyers, especially after they missed several opportunities to score on the power play. The Capitals' penalty kill, which ranked second in the NHL during the regular season, was up to the task early and often.

"If they score there, it's a totally different game," said center Nicklas Backstrom, who assisted on Carlson's power-play goal. "We were staying aggressive and we didn't allow them too much."

Coach Barry Trotz said prior to the game that special teams "can give you momentum or they can take some momentum away from you," and that came true. After his team killed off a fourth penalty in the second period, it got two power plays and started to take over.

N.Y. ISLANDERS 5 PANTHERS 4

SUNRISE, Fla. — Whenever the New York Islanders got behind, they fought their way out of trouble.

And when they finally got the lead, they didn't give it back.

John Tavares had a goal and two assists, including one that set up Kyle Okposo's go-ahead goal early in the third period, and the Islanders beat the Florida Panthers 5-4 in Game 1 of the teams' Eastern Conference quarterfinal series on Thursday night.

Thomas Greiss survived a shaky beginning and made 42 saves for the Islanders in his first playoff start, and Brock Nelson, Frans Nielsen and Ryan Strome added goals for New York.

Home-ice advantage in the series now belongs to the Islanders, and they can take a 2-0 lead back to Barclays Center if they prevail when the series resumes in a quick turnaround on Friday night.

Reilly Smith had two goals. Jussi Jokinen had a goal and two assists and Teddy Purcell also scored for the Panthers. Roberto Luongo stopped 21 of 26 shots.

Florida took the lead on three occasions in the first two periods, and the Islanders came back and tied it every time.

The Panthers — somewhat predictably, since the franchise hadn't played a postseason game in four years — came out flying, getting on the board just 1:55 into the game when Purcell tapped a perfect pass from Jiri Hudler into a wide-open net to start the scoring.

Later in the first, Jokinen deflected Brian Campbell's shot from the high slot for Florida's second goal, and Smith got his first of the night 1:31 into the second period.

NHL PLAYOFF GLANCE

FIRST ROUND
(Best-of-7)
(x-if necessary)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

N.Y. Islanders 1, Florida 0
Thursday: N.Y. Islanders 5, Florida 4
Friday: N.Y. Islanders at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 17: Florida at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
x-Friday, April 22: N.Y. Islanders at Florida, TBD
x-Sunday, April 24: Florida at N.Y. Islanders, TBD
x-Tuesday, April 26: N.Y. Islanders at Florida, TBD

Tampa Bay 1, Detroit 0
Wednesday: Tampa Bay 3, Detroit 2
Today: Detroit at Tampa Bay, 6 p.m.
Sunday, April 17: Tampa Bay at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19: Tampa Bay at Detroit, 6 p.m.
x-Thursday, April 21: Detroit at Tampa Bay, TBD
x-Sunday, April 24: Tampa Bay at Detroit, TBD
x-Tuesday, April 26: Detroit at Tampa Bay, TBD

Washington 1, Philadelphia 0
Thursday: Washington 2, Philadelphia 0
Saturday: Philadelphia at Washington, 6 p.m.
Monday, April 18: Washington at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20: Washington at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
x-Friday, April 22: Philadelphia at Washington, TBD
x-Sunday, April 24: Washington at Philadelphia, TBD
x-Wednesday, April 27: Philadelphia at Washington, TBD

Pittsburgh 1, N.Y. Rangers 0
Wednesday: Pittsburgh 5, N.Y Rangers 2
Saturday: N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, 2 p.m.
Tuesday: Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.
Thursday, April 21: Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, 6 p.m.
x-Saturday, April 23: N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, TBD
x-Monday, April 25: Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, TBD
x-Wednesday, April 27: N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, TBD

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Dallas vs. Minnesota
Thursday: Minnesota at Dallas, late
Saturday, April 16: Minnesota at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Monday, April 18: Dallas at Minnesota, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20: Dallas at Minnesota, 6:30 p.m.
x-Friday, April 22: Minnesota at Dallas, TBD
x-Sunday, April 24: Dallas at Minnesota, TBD
x-Tuesday, April 26: Minnesota at Dallas, TBD

St. Louis 1, Chicago 0
Wednesday: St. Louis 1, Chicago 0, OT
Today: Chicago at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Sunday, April 17: St. Louis at Chicago, 2 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19: St. Louis at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
x-Thursday, April 21: Chicago at St. Louis, TBD
x-Saturday, April 23: St. Louis at Chicago, TBD
x-Monday, April 25: Chicago at St. Louis, TBD

Anaheim vs. Nashville
Today: Nashville at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 17: Nashville at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19: Anaheim at Nashville, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 21: Anaheim at Nashville, 7 p.m.
x-Saturday, April 23: Nashville at Anaheim, TBD
x-Monday, April 25: Anaheim at Nashville, TBD
x-Wednesday, April 27: Nashville at Anaheim, TBD

Los Angeles vs. San Jose
Thursday: San Jose at Los Angeles, late
Saturday: San Jose at Los Angeles, 8:30 p.m.
Monday, April 18: Los Angeles at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20: Los Angeles at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.
x-Friday, April 22: San Jose at Los Angeles, TBD
x-Sunday, April 24: Los Angeles at San Jose, TBD
x-Tuesday, April 26: San Jose at Los Angeles, TBD

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Add an S to each of the five-letter words below, and then rearrange the letters in each word to form a new six-letter word.

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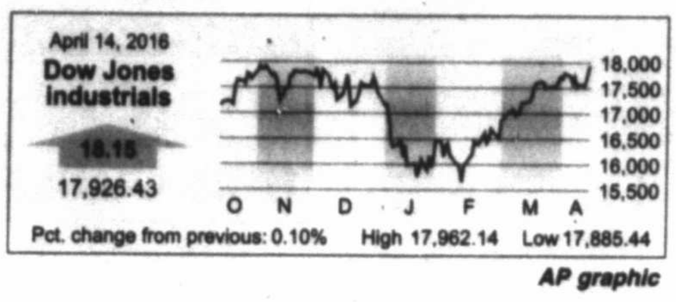

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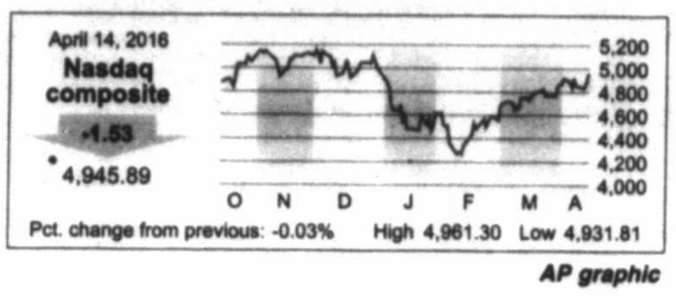

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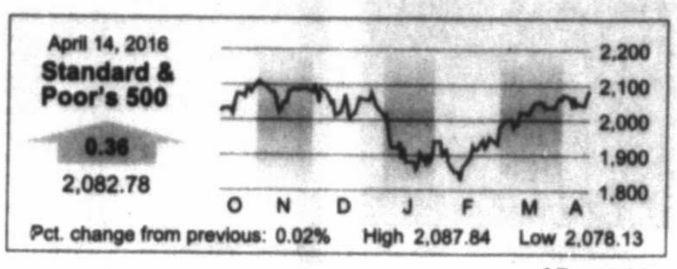

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FUTURES

Thursday: $41.50
Previous: $41.76

POSTED

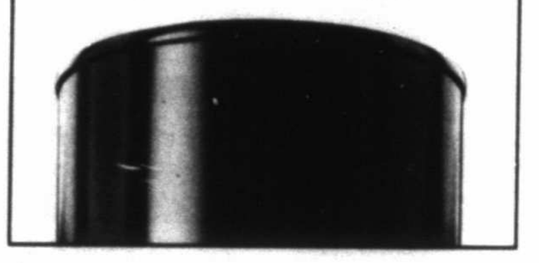
Thursday: $38.00
Previous: $38.25

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Thursday: $33.45
Previous: $33.70

NATURAL GAS

Thursday: $1.970
Previous: $2.036



NYSE

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BioAm	1244853	14.14	+.35
MktVGold	796548	21.60	-.65
DirDGldBr	748909	2.41	+.19
iShJapan	566655	11.89	+.05
S&P500ETF	443082	208.01	+.01

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DagoNEn	24.00	+2.97	+14.1
LightInBox	3.15	+.33	+11.7
3D Sys	18.28	+1.68	+10.1
Calgon	15.13	+1.39	+10.1
Trupanion	11.71	+1.01	+9.4

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SiderurNac	3.25	-.47	-12.6
Gerdau	2.12	-.23	-9.8
CorEnInf n	19.99	-2.04	-9.3
SwEBioFu23	7.71	-.79	-9.3
DrGMBl n	99.06	-10.17	-9.3

Diary

Advanced	1,345
Declined	1,693
Unchanged	118
Total issues	3,156
New Highs	90
New Lows	
Volume	3,393,816,908

AMEX

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
SynergyRs	34512	7.37	-.31
Organovo	32716	2.91	+.41
NwGold g	29192	4.06	-.08
CheniereEn	28371	38.03	+1.11
SBgold g	24111	1.74	-.09

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CentrusEn	4.09	+.58	+16.5
Organovo	2.91	+.41	+16.4
HMG	10.66	+1.43	+15.5
GldFld	2.00	+.21	+11.7
EnviroStr	4.03	+.34	+9.2

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
PlatGpM rs	2.70	-.63	-18.9
AmplipH rs	3.30	-.65	-16.5
YumaE ptA	3.65	-.30	-7.6
AskanoG g	2.44	-.16	-6.2
KlondexM g	2.95	-.18	-5.8

Diary

Advanced	169
Declined	183
Unchanged	29
Total issues	381
New Highs	10
New Lows	2
Volume	71,160,671

NASDAQ

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
SeagateT	457384	27.11	-6.82
SiriusXM	376805	3.89	-.03
CSVrtSh rs	347443	4.13	-.03
Facebook	279714	110.84	+.33
Apple Inc	245000	112.10	+.06

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DragonW rs	7.38	+1.42	+23.8
VestRMtl h	2.18	+.41	+23.2
Vringo rs	2.16	+.38	+21.3
ReproTh	2.67	+.42	+18.7
MicroneE	2.06	+.31	+17.7

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Breitbrn pf	3.10	-2.20	-41.5
SeagateT	27.11	-6.82	-20.1
Cellectar rs	3.05	-.65	-17.6
Bofl Hld s	19.32	-3.81	-16.5
FreeSeas s	2.54	-.46	-15.3

Diary

Advanced	1,364
Declined	1,394
Unchanged	191
Total issues	2,949
New Highs	57
New Lows	13
Volume	1,558,906,127

Low rates, troubled loans send bank profits lower

By Ken Sweet
Associated Press

PHOENIX — 2016 is getting off to a lousy start for major U.S. banks. Energy loans are turning bad, low interest rates are making it hard to make profitable loans, and markets have been volatile.

On the bright side, first-quarter results from banks, which started coming out this week, haven't been quite as bad as many analysts feared. Banks are still the worst-performing industry in the stock market so far this year, however. The financial component of the Standard & Poor's 500 index is down 3.5 percent.

Also, several banks found out this week they have a new regulatory headache: The Federal Reserve and the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation told five major lenders that their proposed plans for how they would be wound down in the event of another financial crisis aren't up to snuff. They have until October to file new plans.

Here's a look at how bank earnings are shaping up so far:

OIL TROUBLES: The billions of dollars in oil loans the big banks made during the commodities boom have become the latest set of troubled assets on their books. JPMorgan Chase, Bank of America and Wells Fargo all said they had to set aside more money to cover bad energy loans last quarter, and expect to continue to do so as long as oil prices remain low.

Wells Fargo has some of the riskiest exposure among the banks. The San Francisco-based bank has $40.7 billion in total oil and gas exposure, with roughly three quarters of those loans being in some of the hardest hit areas: extraction companies, oil field service companies, and drillers who operate under contract.

JPMorgan's oil exposure is bigger than Wells Fargo's, but the type of loans are mostly made to stronger, investment-grade companies. The bank still had to set aside $719 million in the quarter to cover potential defaults. Combined with a drop in trading, the loans caused JPMorgan to report its first quarterly profit decline in roughly two years.

The news out of BofA was just as bad. The Charlotte, North Carolina-based bank has roughly $21.8 billion in energy exposure, with roughly a third of that being to high-risk oil field services and exploration companies. The company had to set aside $595 million in the quarter to cover souring energy loans.

That said, the problems with oil loans on these banks' balances are microscopic compared to the problems they had with residential mortgages during the financial crisis. Financial analysts expect the oil loans to hurt bank profits for the foreseeable future, but the damage will be relatively small.

TOO HOT AND TOO COLD: Banks with sizeable trading desks — JPMorgan and BofA specifically — typically like to see more volatile markets because it boosts trading volume and profits. But last quarter's wild markets did the opposite.

JPMorgan's markets and trading revenue fell 13 percent from a year earlier, hurt by stock, bond and its derivative trading operations. BofA suffered the same fate, with its sales and trading revenue falling 16 percent to $3.3 billion in the quarter.

Next week investors will get results from Goldman Sachs and Morgan Stanley, who typically have some of the skilled traders in the industry. Investors will be looking to see if those banks struggled along with their bigger, more diverse competitors.

CONSUMER IS FINE: While oil companies may be going belly up and trading operations are flat, the businesses most exposed to the U.S. consumer are doing just fine.

JPMorgan's consumer banking division, its largest business by revenue and profit, saw net income rise 12 percent from a year earlier while revenue was up 4 percent year over year. The bank was able to grow deposits and loans in the quarter, while continuing to cut expenses. Wells Fargo and BofA expanded their consumer loan portfolios sizably in the quarter.

Meanwhile, metrics that show consumers struggling to pay their loans continue to decline. Bank of America's net charge-off ratio, which is how much of their loans they believe are not recoverable, fell to 0.82 percent from 0.95 percent a year earlier. The number of consumer loans at BofA that are 30 days or more past due fell to $3.8 billion from $4.4 billion a year earlier.

REGULATORS: Another potential source of worry for the big banks was the announcement by the FDIC and Federal Reserve that BofA, Wells and JPMorgan all failed their so-called living wills. The banks were required to submit the plans outlining how they would reshape themselves in the event of failure.

Those three banks, as well as two others — State Street and Bank of New York Mellon — will have to resubmit their plans to the regulators by Oct. 1 on how they would unwind themselves in a crisis. If the plans are rejected again, the banks could face sanctions, be required to raise more capital or ultimately sell off parts of their businesses.

Stocks end mixed

U.S. stocks hardly budged Thursday and finished with a mix of small gains and losses. Banks and airlines rose on strong first-quarter reports, while consumer products companies struggled.

"People are getting a bit more confident of what's going on in the market," said J.J. Kinahan, chief strategist for TD Ameritrade.

The Dow Jones industrial average added 18.15 points, or 0.1 percent, to 17,926.43. The Standard & Poor's 500 index ticked up 0.36 points to 2,082.78. The Nasdaq composite lost 1.53 points to 4,945.89.

The results from banks haven't been great so far, but investors expected even worse because of shaky loans to energy companies and low interest rates that have made lending less profitable. Kinahan said banks are benefiting from lower expenses and more people are seeking mortgage loans.

"If businesses are starting to expand a little bit, if the consumer is out there trying to buy housing, (lending) is a steady source of income for these institutions," he said. Investors feared "this was going to be an absolutely disastrous earnings season," he said.

Most metals end lower

Gold fell $21.80, or 1.7 percent, to $1,226.50 an ounce. Silver fell 15 cents to $16.17 an ounce. Copper was unchanged at $2.17 a pound.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $16.34 Down 1.26

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $107.80 Up 0.52

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $4.84 Up 0.04

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $81.73 Up 0.33

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $1.25 Down 0.15

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $2.54 Down 0.05

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $22.02 Down 0.01

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $30.39 Down 0.32

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $6.27 Down 0.07

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
Closing Price $17.96 Up 0.15

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
Abraxas	...	...	**1.04**	...	**-1.9**
AdaDvsEq	**.92e**	...	**12.82**	**+.03**	**-.1**
Alcoa	12	27	10.01	+.22	+1.4
AlonUSA	.60	14	10.44	-.22	-29.6
Ambev	.19e	...	5.33	+.09	+19.5
Amgen	**4.00**	**17**	**160.12**	**+.06**	**-1.4**
Anadarko	**.20m**	...	**49.46**	**+.14**	**+1.8**
Apache	**1.00**	...	**52.97**	**+.51**	**+18.1**
Apple Inc	2.08	12	112.10	+.06	+6.5
ApldMatl	**.40**	**20**	**21.48**	**+.17**	**+15.1**
ArcelorMit	...	...	5.76	+.23	+79.2
Archrock	.75f	...	7.90	-.10	+5.1
ATMOS	**1.68f**	**23**	**73.10**	**-.79**	**+16.0**
AutoData	2.12	29	90.26	+.02	+6.5
BP PLC	**2.40a**	...	**30.92**	**-.46**	**-1.1**
BabcCCInv	1.20	...	17.39	-.03	+.8
BakrHu	.68	...	43.18	+1.88	-6.4
BcoBrad s	.44e	...	8.18	-.21	+70.1
BkofAm	.20	10	14.14	+.35	-16.0
B iPVixST	...	...	17.15	-.06	-14.7
BerrickG	.08	53	15.42	-.63	+108.9
BasicEnSv	...	...	2.72	+.22	+1.5
BerkHa A	**...**	**152156000.00**	**-530.00**	**+9.0**
BkHHlsCp	**1.68f**	**39**	**57.85**	**-.59**	**+24.6**
BreitbrnE h	...	...	.40	-.22	-40.3
BrMySq	**1.52f**	**48**	**67.87**	**+.30**	**-1.3**
BrownFA	**1.36f**	**32**	**102.96**	**+.39**	**-6.5**
BrownFPi	**1.36f**	**29**	**95.23**	**+.19**	**-4.1**
CVS Health	1.70f	21	101.11	-.02	+3.4
Caterpillar	3.08	16	79.05	-.08	+16.3
Celestic g	...	...	10.75	+.04	-2.5
CntryLink	2.16	20	32.09	-.10	+27.5
ChesEng	...	...	6.01	-.05	+33.6
Chevron	**4.28**	**40**	**97.98**	**+.38**	**+8.9**
Chicos	.32f	45	12.62	+.01	+18.3
Cimarex	.32m	...	107.92	+1.61	+20.7
Cisco	1.04f	14	28.25	+.02	+4.8
Citigroup	.20	10	44.98	+.73	-13.1
ClayEng	**...**	**...**	**18.34**	**-1.26**	**-44.7**
CocaCola	**1.40f**	**26**	**45.85**	**-.21**	**+6.7**
ColgPalm	**1.92f**	**29**	**70.80**	**-.03**	**+8.3**
ConAgra	**1.60**	**25**	**45.23**	**-.48**	**+7.3**
ConocoPhil	**...**	**...**	**107.80**	**+.52**	**+15.1**
ConocoPhil	**1.00m**	**...**	**44.23**	**+.54**	**-5.3**

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
CrackerB	4.40a	21	150.66	-2.47	+18.8
CSVelITVST	...	...	25.96	+.06	+.6
CSVrtSh rs	...	...	4.13	-.03	-34.0
CrosTim	**1.45e**	**10**	**15.90**	**+.01**	**+22.2**
DCP Mid	3.12	33	29.36	+.06	+19.0
DTE	2.92f	19	88.28	-.41	+10.1
Dataram h	...	...	.67	+.02	+.8
DevonE	**.24m**	**...**	**31.35**	**+.39**	**-2.0**
DirDGldBr	...	...	2.41	+.19	-85.4
Disney	**1.42f**	**18**	**98.63**	**-.85**	**-6.1**
DowChm	**1.84f**	**13**	**52.36**	**+.15**	**+1.7**
EOG Resce	**.67**	**...**	**77.81**	**+.03**	**+9.9**
EmpDist	**1.04**	**26**	**33.39**	**-.15**	**+19.0**
Energen	.08	...	39.26	+.25	-4.2
EgyTrEq s	1.14f	8	9.35	-.01	-32.0
EngyTsfr	4.22f	...	33.31	+.20	-1.2
EngyXXI h	...	...	.13	-.52	-67.3
EnPro	**.84f**	**...**	**58.16**	**-.23**	**+32.7**
EntProdPt	1.56f	19	24.36	-.70	-4.8
Ericsson	.43e	...	9.73	...	+1.2
ExxonMbl	**2.92**	**22**	**85.43**	**+.60**	**+9.6**
Facebook	...	72	110.84	+.33	+5.9
FordM	.60a	7	13.09	+.03	-7.1
FrptMcM	...	...	10.73	-.09	+58.5
GATX	**1.60f**	**9**	**48.66**	**-.40**	**+14.4**
GabMutT	**.94e**	**...**	**7.15**	**+.02**	**-4.7**
GAInv	**1.15e**	**...**	**31.37**	**+.09**	**-1.8**
GenElec	**.92**	**...**	**31.02**	**+.04**	**-.4**
Gerdau	.07e	...	2.12	-.23	+76.7
GoPro	...	60	13.80	-.10	-23.4
GlPlainEn	**1.05f**	**23**	**31.43**	**-.23**	**+15.1**
HP Inc	.50	12	12.55	-.09	+6.0
HaloonRs rs	...	...	1.10	-.05	-12.7
HellBrtn	**.72**	**...**	**38.38**	**+.07**	**+12.7**
iShBrazil	1.03e	...	28.55	-.37	+38.1
iShJapan	.13e	...	11.89	+.05	-1.9
iShChinaLC	.76e	...	34.92	-.07	-1.0
iShEMkts	.84e	...	34.77	-.17	+8.0
iS Eafe	1.70e	...	58.43	+.19	-.5
iShR2K	1.73e	...	112.17	-.14	-.4
Intel	**1.04**	**14**	**31.80**	**-.39**	**-7.7**
InterOil	.80	18	57.49	+.16	+17.2
ItauUnibH	.45e	...	9.32	-.32	+43.4
JPMorgCh	1.76	11	62.59	+.80	-4.6

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
JohnJn	**3.00**	**18**	**109.94**	**-.03**	**+6.9**
Keycorp	.30	11	11.73	+.23	-11.1
KimbClk	**3.68f**	**39**	**136.04**	**+.38**	**+6.9**
Kinross g	...	...	4.13	-.20	+126.9
LegacyRes	.60m	...	1.25	-.15	-28.6
LendingClb	...	...	7.44	-.12	-32.7
Lubys	**...**	**...**	**5.00**	**+.02**	**+11.9**
MarathnO	.20m	...	13.11	+.19	+4.1
MktVGold	.12e	...	21.60	-.65	+57.4
McDnlds	3.56f	26	127.51	+.62	+7.9
Merck	1.84f	26	56.45	+.49	+6.9
MeritMed	**...**	**35**	**19.00**	**-.13**	**+2.2**
MexcoEn	...	...	2.54	-.06	-21.4
MicronT	...	11	10.40	-.48	-26.6
Microsoft	1.44	35	55.36	+.01	-.2
MorgStan	.60	9	26.17	+.29	-17.7
Nabors	.24	...	10.02	-.18	+17.7
NatGrid	**3.35e**	**...**	**71.29**	**-.06**	**+2.5**
NOilWarco	1.84	11	28.81	-.40	-14.0
NobleCorp	.60m	42	10.19	-.66	-3.4
NvPAll	**.78a**	**...**	**14.37**	**...**	**+5.2**
NuvPI	**.82a**	**...**	**14.70**	**-.06**	**+4.3**
NSTFI3	**.55a**	**...**	**15.12**	**+.04**	**+4.0**
NTXGI	**.55**	**...**	**14.98**	**+.03**	**+3.8**
OcciPet	**3.00**	**56**	**74.32**	**+2.08**	**+9.9**
ParTech	**...**	**...**	**6.47**	**-.06**	**-3.9**
ParkDri	**...**	**...**	**2.72**	**-.04**	**+49.5**
PettUTi	**.40**	**...**	**18.24**	**-.41**	**+21.0**
Penney	...	...	9.66	-.40	+45.0
PennaRE	**.84**	**...**	**22.66**	**-.04**	**+3.6**
Primlan	.35e	19	6.57	-.04	+29.8
PetbrasA	...	...	5.28	-.15	+55.3
Petrobras	...	...	6.60	-.13	+53.5
Pfizer	**1.20f**	**20**	**32.65**	**+.11**	**+1.1**
PioNtrl	.08	71	149.66	+3.01	+19.4
PlainsAAP	**2.80**	**15**	**22.89**	**-.27**	**-1.0**
PwShs QQQ	1.52e	...	110.92	+.01	-.8
Praxair	**3.00f**	**22**	**115.53**	**-.04**	**+12.8**
PrmEgy	**...**	**...**	**32.01**	**+.01**	**-39.6**
PUVixST rs	...	...	17.93	-.13	-36.6
ProctGam	**2.58f**	**27**	**82.01**	**+.22**	**+3.3**
RangeRs	.08m	...	36.98	-.77	+50.3
RegionsFn	.24	13	8.48	+.08	-11.7
ReproTh	...	...	2.67	+.42	+120.7
RiteAid	...	50	8.00	-.01	+2.0

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
Rowan	.40	21	15.98	-1.30	-5.7
RoyDShllA	3.76	78	51.70	+.38	+12.9
SpdrDJIA	3.98e	...	179.11	+.19	+2.9
S&P500ETF	4.13e	...	208.01	+.01	+2.0
SpdrOGEx	.73e	...	33.14	+.03	+9.7
SabnR	2.22e	10	31.59	-.24	+20.3
SanderFm	**.88e**	**13**	**89.56**	**-1.14**	**+15.5**
Schlmbrg	2.00	23	77.16	-.21	+10.6
SeadrillLtd	...	...	3.64	-.26	+7.4
SeagateT	2.52	6	27.11	-6.82	-26.1
SiriusXM	...	39	3.89	-.03	-4.4
Smucker	2.68	34	127.40	-.82	+3.3
SwstnEngy	...	...	10.75	+.27	+51.2
Sprint	...	...	3.50	+.08	-3.3
SP Engy	2.04e	...	64.41	+.15	+6.8
SPDR Fncl	.46e	...	22.98	+.05	-3.6
SP Inds	1.12e	...	55.97	+.10	+5.6
SP Util	1.55e	...	48.62	-.06	+12.3
SunEdison	...	...	.59	+.22	-86.5
SunocoLog	1.92f	39	26.20	+.30	+1.9
SyntaPh h	...	...	.41	+.17	+16.5
TaiwSemi	.73e	...	25.30	-.87	+11.2
TelefEsp	**1.03e**	**...**	**10.71**	**-.02**	**-3.2**
Tesoro	2.00	6	83.32	-2.23	-20.9
3M Co	4.44f	22	168.16	-.43	+11.6
Torchmark	**.56f**	**14**	**65.45**	**+.06**	**-2.5**

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
Transocn	...	...	9.26	-.63	-25.2
TriContl	**.82e**	**...**	**20.20**	**+.04**	**+.9**
Twitter	...	...	17.53	+.16	-24.2
TylerTech	**...**	**64**	**137.17**	**+.77**	**-21.3**
UBSi	**1.32**	**19**	**37.35**	**+.27**	**+1.0**
US OilFd	...	...	10.48	-.03	-4.7
USSteel	.20	...	18.87	-.15	+136.5
Vale SA	.29e	...	5.25	-.39	+59.6
Vale SA pf	.29e	...	3.94	-.30	+54.5
ValeantPh	...	...	32.36	-.74	-68.2
ValeroE	2.40f	7	61.56	-.99	-12.9
VangEmg	1.10e	...	35.32	-.18	+8.0
VulcanM	**.80f**	**61**	**106.58**	**-.20**	**+12.2**
WEC Engy	1.98f	25	58.38	-.22	+13.8
WeldBoots	1.44	24	81.26	+.18	-4.6
WealthInvt	...	...	7.49	+.20	-10.7
WellsFargo	1.50	12	48.79	-.24	-10.2
WDigital	2.00	8	41.82	-2.98	-30.4
WstnRefin	1.52f	6	27.45	-.95	-22.9
WhitingPet	...	...	10.79	+.36	+14.3
WmsCos	2.56	89	17.77	-.58	-30.9
XcelEngy	**1.36f**	**21**	**40.58**	**-.11**	**+13.0**
Xerox	**.31f**	**23**	**11.16**	**-.04**	**+5.0**
Yahoo	...	...	37.17	-.14	+11.8
Yamana g	.06	...	3.81	-.19	+104.8

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18,351.36	15,370.33	Dow Jones Industrials	17,926.43	+18.15	+.10	+2.88	-.99
8,953.16	8,403.31	Dow Jones Transportation	7,980.78	+20.04	+.25	+6.29	-8.35
672.28	539.96	Dow Jones Utilities	657.78	-.84	-.10	+13.80	+12.35
11,254.87	8,937.99	NYSE Composite	10,360.24	+.73	+.01	+2.14	-7.25
5,231.94	4,209.76	Nasdaq Composite	4,945.89	-1.53	-.03	-1.23	-1.24
2,134.72	1,810.10	S&P 500	2,082.78	+.36	+.02	+1.90	-1.06
1,951.28	1,215.14	S&P Midcap	1,459.26	-4.72	-.32	+4.34	-4.89
22,537.15	18,462.43	Wilshire 5000	21,464.42	-5.17	-.02	+1.40	-3.85
1,296.00	943.09	Russell 2000	1,128.58	-1.35	-.12	-.64	-11.34

TODAY: Mostly sunny — High: 83 Low: 63

SATURDAY: Showers — High: 80 Low: 57

SUNDAY: Mostly sunny — High: 78 Low: 51

MONDAY: Partly sunny — High: 71 Low: 52

TUESDAY: Mostly cloudy — High: 74 Low: 53

WEDNESDAY: Partly sunny — High: 75 Low: 56

Local forecast

The National Weather Service is calling for a chance of storms every day through at least Thursday of next week. Today, expect a 20 percent chance of storms during the day and 30 percent chance at night. Some of the storms could produce large hail and winds gusting to 40 mph.

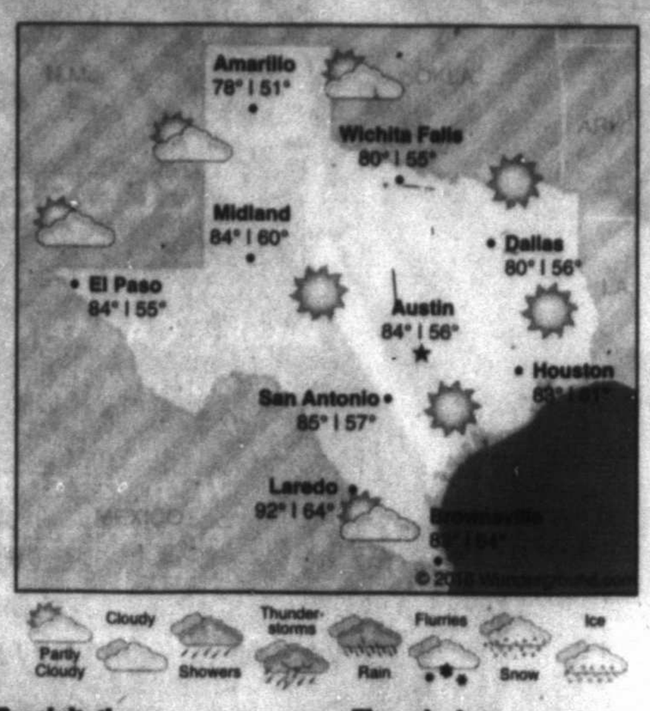
On Saturday, the chance for storms rises from 30 percent during the day to 60 percent at night. A 20 percent chance of storms exists Sunday. Total rainfall in Midland County from Friday through Sunday is expected to be between a half-inch and 2 inches.

The record high for April 14 is 95 set in 1935. The record low is 29 set in 1983. On April 14 of last year, the high was 64 and the low was 48.

Weather brief

Scientists predict average hurricane season

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — The year's hurricane season will be near-average, with the formation of 12 named storms, including five hurricanes making landfall along the U.S. coastline or in the Caribbean, according to a prediction released Thursday.



Precipitation

Wednesday	0.00 in.
Thursday	0.00 in.
Month total	1.22 in.
Year total	2.04 in.
Normal total (year to date)	2.17 in.

Thursday's temperatures

High	82
Low	51
Normal high	79
Normal low	49
Sunrise	7:19 a.m.
Sunset	8:18 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, April 15

Refuge after parents' divorce turns into a prison for teen

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: I'm 17 and have been in a relationship since I was 13 with the same person on and off. I have been with him since my parents divorced, so you might say he's been my crutch for a long time. He makes it clear that without him I am an emotional mess.

I spend every day isolated from friends and family, while he spends his time with his friends. (I'm not allowed to be with them.) If I'm out with a friend, it is a huge issue.

I love him and I don't want to break up, but it feels like I'm alone even when I'm with him.

I'm sick of letting a man make me feel like he's my reason for being alive.

I want better. I deserve better. I am so confused. Please help me. — **DESERVES BETTER IN NEW YORK**

DEAR DESERVES BETTER: I am crossing my fingers and hoping that you are still living with one of your parents.

If you have been living with this person, I cannot stress strongly enough how important it is for you to make other arrangements.

You acknowledge that he has been your "crutch." Well, unless someone is severely disabled, which you are not, crutches are meant to be temporary.

Among the warning signs of an abuser is being controlling and preventing his victim from forming healthy relationships with other people.

Another red flag is if the person chips away at his victim's self-esteem by saying she/he "can't survive without him." That you want something better for yourself and know you deserve better is a sign that you still have some healthy self-esteem.

So please act on it. End this relationship and don't look back.

DEAR ABBY: I am a postal worker. With wedding and graduation seasons fast approaching, please pass along some suggestions to your readers:

■Before addressing envelopes, please make sure your address books are up to date. We do everything in our power to make sure all mail gets to where it is supposed to be, but you'd be shocked how often it's addressed to someone who moved many years ago, or worse, is deceased.

■Be sure to include the recipient's last name and try not to use nicknames.

If the address is off by a little bit, a last name on the envelope is sometimes helpful.

You might think everyone knows Uncle Bob as "Moose." But as carriers, unless we know the recipient personally, we only know his or her proper name.

■And don't forget to include your return address on the envelope so if it can't be delivered, you'll know the recipient didn't receive it.

That way, you won't think that "Aunt Ann" didn't want to attend or have her think she wasn't invited.

■And last but not least, be sure to have proper postage on theenvelope! Often, because of the size or thickness of an invitation, extra postage is needed. I hope this will help your readers. — **MICHIGAN MAIL CARRIER**

DEAR MAIL CARRIER: So do I!

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Choice of plays

North-South vulnerable. West deals.

NORTH
♠ J 8 2
♡ J 10 7
◇ Void
♣ K Q J 9 8 3 2

WEST
♠ Q 10 4
♡ A 9 8 5
◇ A Q J 10 9
♣ 4

EAST
♠ 9 7
♡ K 6 4
◇ K 8 7 6 5
♣ 10 6 5

SOUTH
♠ A K 6 5 3
♡ Q 3 2
◇ 4 3 2
♣ A 7

The bidding:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1◇	3♣*	3◇	3♠
Pass	4♠	All pass	

*Pre-emptive

Opening lead: Ace of ◇

South's three-spade bid was a little aggressive, but he knew his partner had a sound hand for a pre-empt at this vulnerability, and he hoped that four clubs would be playable if they didn't have a spade fit. They arrived in a game contract with some chances, but how would you play it after ruffing the opening diamond lead?

One choice is to play a trump to the ace, ruff another diamond with dummy's last trump, come back to hand with the ace of clubs and cash the king of trumps. Declarer can then start on clubs, succeeding when the defender with the long spade has at least two clubs. South will be able to discard his remaining diamond even if the third club is ruffed. This is a reasonable line of play.

When this deal arose in a team competition some years ago, both declarers found a different, but elegant, solution. At trick two, they each played a low trump from both their hand and the dummy! The defense was forced to cash their two heart tricks right away or lose them. Declarer can then win any return, draw the outstanding trumps, and run the clubs. This line also needs a 3-2 trump split, and there is a chance that the defense might score a heart ruff.

We think the two lines of play are very close. The second line seems to be much harder to spot, and we think it is special that both declarers found it.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, April 15, 2016:

This year you are more gregarious and caring than in the past. Actually, you feel more secure, thus willing to express your feelings. Others delight in your openness. Do not allow someone who is at a distance or whose intellect you believe is better than yours to rain on your parade. You have a lot to offer. If you are single, you meet someone with ease, but is it someone you want to keep in your life? If you are attached, the two of you enjoy each other's company more and more. Be impulsive. Be spontaneous. LEO knows how to get you going.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You have get-up-and-go, especially in the morning. You might be thinking of your weekend plans. A misunderstanding looms in the background. Be careful to recognize what is happening as it occurs. Tonight: Opt for what you know and avoid new experiences.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You could be a lot happier if you relax and don't worry so much about a personal situation. Clearly you cannot change someone's reaction; however, you can control yours. Don't let a difficult situation evolve. Cut it off immediately. Say you are sorry or whatever you need to do to keep the peace. Otherwise, a very difficult problem could evolve from this moment. Tonight: Entertain at home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Keep the conversation moving. Someone might be abnormally flirtatious at the moment. Enjoy it, but don't read anything into this person's behavior. A misunderstanding could happen sometime during the day. Know that it is nothing more than a lack of good communication. Let it go. Tonight: Flirt away.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ You could have a problem before you know it. Be very careful when dealing with a friend or a group of friends. No one means to cause a problem, yet it could happen. Clarify meetings and times. Be forgiving if there is a flub-up. Tonight: Your treat.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ You might feel like a ray of sunshine to another person. This person's mood lightens up, and you feel more connected and in touch with your feelings. Confusion surrounds a higher-up, supervisor or someone you need to look up to. Try to verify that both of you are on the same page. Tonight: A star wherever you go.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You might need to pull back and not get into the middle of someone's views and a potential change of plans. The less said by you, the better. You could be far more serious than you realize. Tonight: Feel free to do whatever your heart desires.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You could be involved with a meeting or networking event that draws many friends to you. A comment from someone you respect or who is at a distance needs to be questioned. Be careful with others' information and "facts." There could be some detail that is way off and will have an effect on you. Tonight: The more people, the merrier.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Pressure builds, and you seem to be unable to get a situation that involves others under control. You cannot control anyone. Consider kicking back and seeing what happens. At times you can be very controlling. A partner or associate might be confused and is relating what he or she feels are "facts." Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You might want to make a point, but because of others' mood and lack of concentration, you will have difficulty even getting anyone's attention. Recognize that it is Friday and people are tired. Be yourself and worry less about getting others to agree. Tonight: What would TGIF be without you there?

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You could be saturated by a situation that keeps recurring. You wonder why you cannot get the other person involved to stop a pattern. This person recognizes it and sees it as a problem. Tonight: Have a serious conversation if you believe the timing is right.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Defer to others and be ready to take a stand only if need be. Another person might be better suited to carry the cause and explain it. A friendship or interaction could be developing into more. Tonight: Say yes.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You might want to focus on clearing your desk and eliminating many of the details and other sundries that make your days longer. You could be surprised by how much you do accomplish. Someone you care about could be hard on you. Let it go. Tonight: TGIF.

BORN TODAY

Actress Emma Watson (1990), author Henry James (1843), actor Seth Rogen (1982)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Not as available
8 Red herring, to a cop
15 Athens eatery
16 Where to view "Duck Dynasty"
17 Oath sworn in a kosher kitchen?
19 Hightailed it
20 Le Mans law
21 Great Plains tribe
22 9-Down opener
23 '50s pres. candidate
25 Long of "Third Watch"
26 New Year's Eve get-togethers?
27 Double-dealing in Delhi?
30 "A symptom of man's failure as a thinking animal": Steinbeck
31 Old knives
32 Cutthroat entrepreneur?
36 Pool option
37 Six-time '70s Dodger All-Star
38 Demand from a Stooge fan?
40 Unyielding
45 Lobbying gp.
46 Neighbor of Turk.
47 Place to play
48 Riches
51 Deg. for drillers
53 Unyielding
54 "Stir-frying is an option, too"?
57 Nervous __
58 No-win situation
59 Doesn't back away
60 Gold rush figure

DOWN

1 Was googly-eyed
2 Place to bring a suit
3 Wading bird
4 Put on a pedestal
5 Beliefs
6 "Bambi" doe
7 Award-winning political cartoonist Ted
8 Word with able or full
9 Munich : Jahr :: Madrid : __
10 "Hawaii Five-O" nickname
11 Landlocked Asian nation
12 Heightened
13 Slow movements
14 Insult
18 Some bank files
24 1980 Oscar winner who portrayed Loretta
27 Actor McKellen
28 Mandela's org.
29 Exhibition funding gp.
30 Trickery
32 Cabbage family member
33 Detroit labor org.
34 Letters in personal columns
35 Get
36 First poet interred in Westminster Abbey's Poets' Corner
38 Immobilize, in a way
39 Something to eat in a Western?
40 Miss America contestants' array
41 Salsa brand
42 Room to maneuver
43 Where to emulate the natives
44 More unpleasantly moist
49 Dominate
50 Some Ivy Leaguers
52 Words with limit or trap
55 Agnus __
56 It's in many poems

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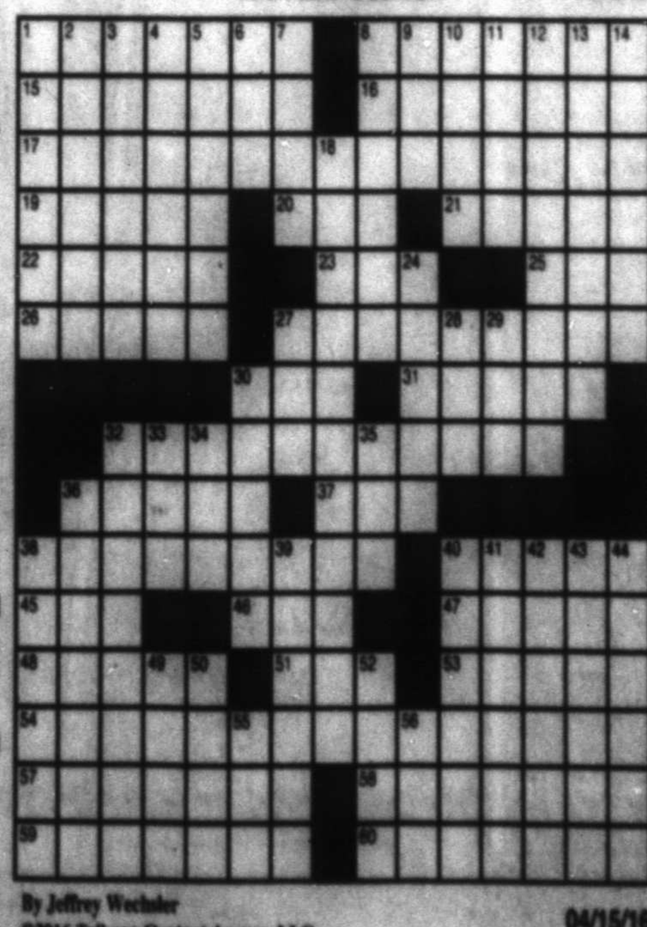

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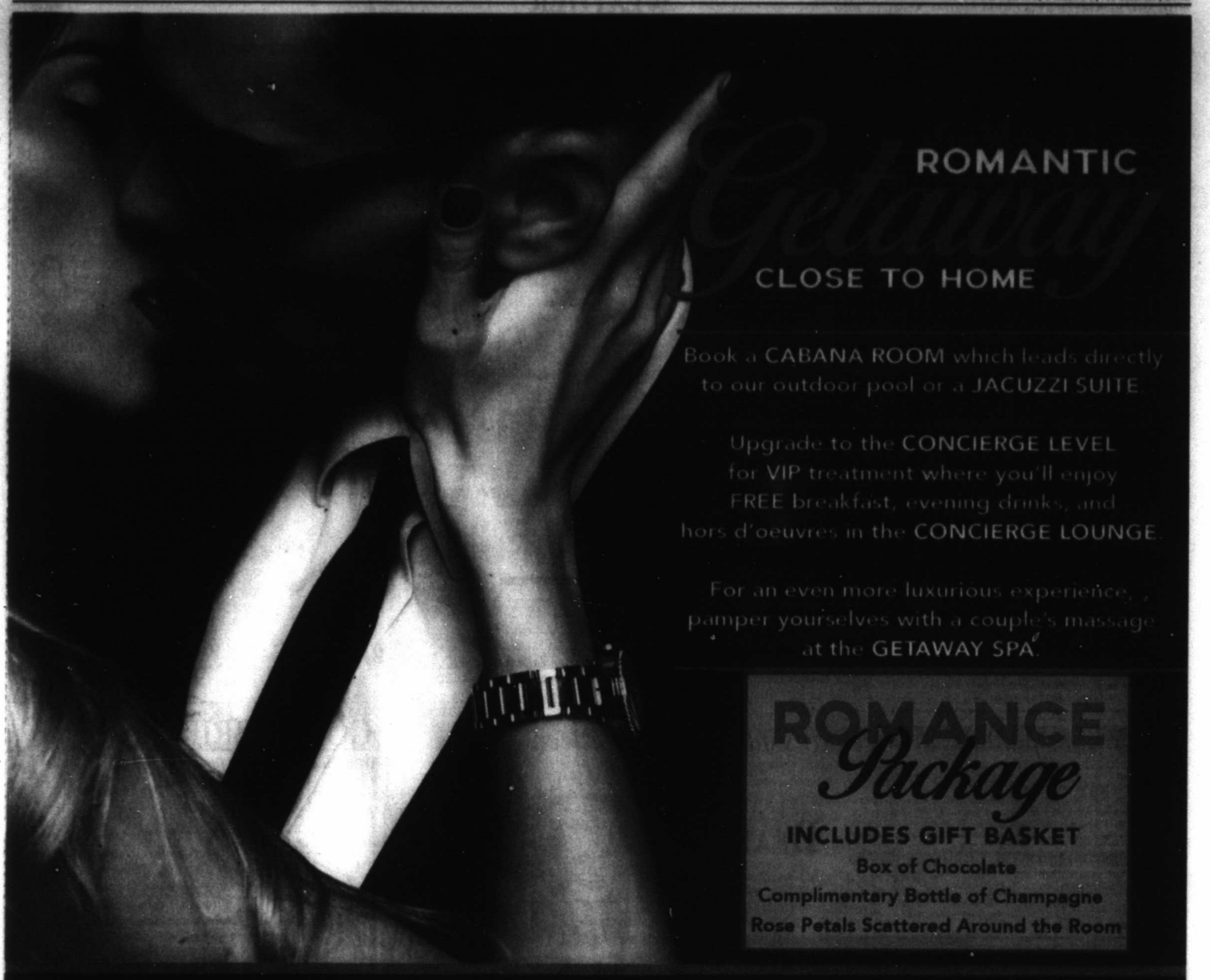

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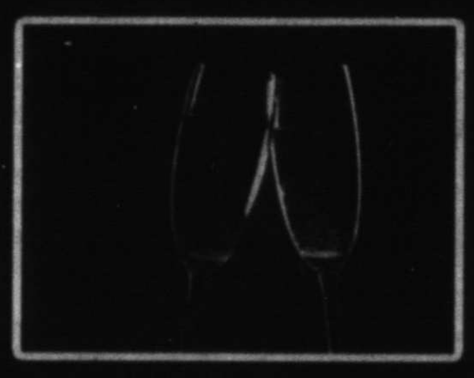

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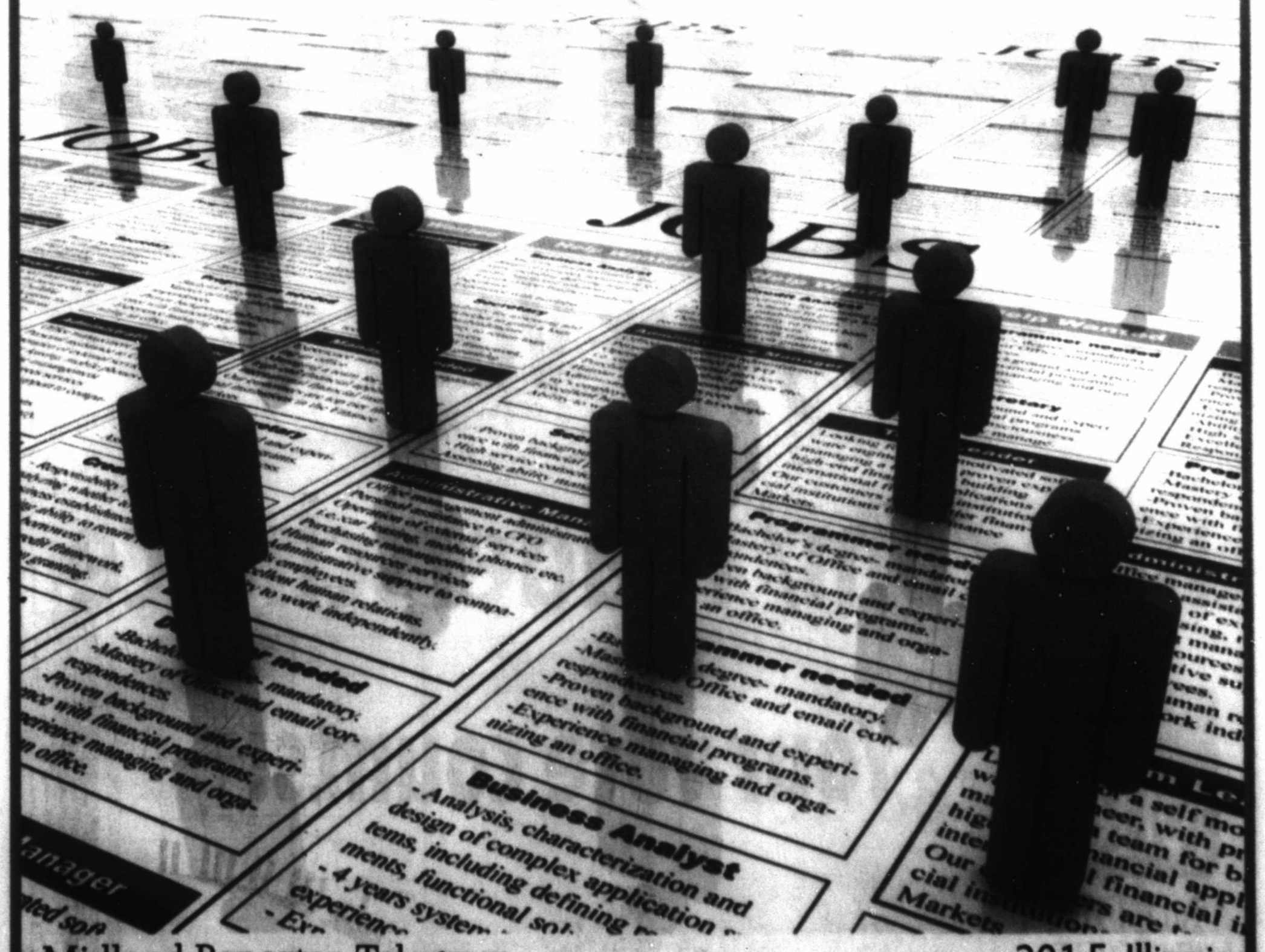

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#121 Roberto M Galindo, Jr
#124 Jessie Dalton
#173 Monica Vaquez

Aztec Storage Center
1131 E 52nd
Odessa TX 79762
Time 11:00 am

#O-25 Wesley Dixon
#O-83 Jerry Cullison

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Midland Independent School District

Procurement Services Department

Midland, Texas

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Yard & Garage Sales

79701

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79703

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79703

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79705

213 CAROL Ln. GARAGE Sale on Saturday, 8-12 Home items, clothes, baby items, exercise equipment

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79707

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Yard & Garage Sales

79705

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79706

6812 ECR 97 Midland/ Greenwood Saturday Only 8am - 4pm. MOVING SALE. Everything must go! Baby, teen and adult clothing, toys, accessories, bedding, home decor, kitchenware, tools. Worth the drive to Greenwood!

79707

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3810 FANNIN Ave, Saturday 8am-2pm. Furniture, Elliptical, pedestal sink, interior doors, clothes, & miscellaneous items

4301 READING Saturday 8am-? Clothes, books, household goods, TV's & lots of miscellaneous. Cash only!

4806 TEAKWOOD Trace, Midland, Tx, near Green Tree County Club. Saturday (4/16/2016) from 8am to 12pm.

5104 TEAKWOOD Trace- Greentree. Saturday 8am-? Golf cart-$2900. Tru-Cut Reel mower- $475. Wheelchair. ALL ITEMS IN HOUSE MUST GO!

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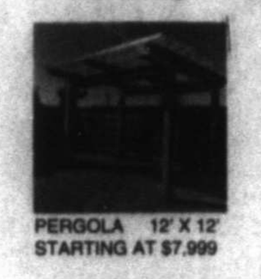

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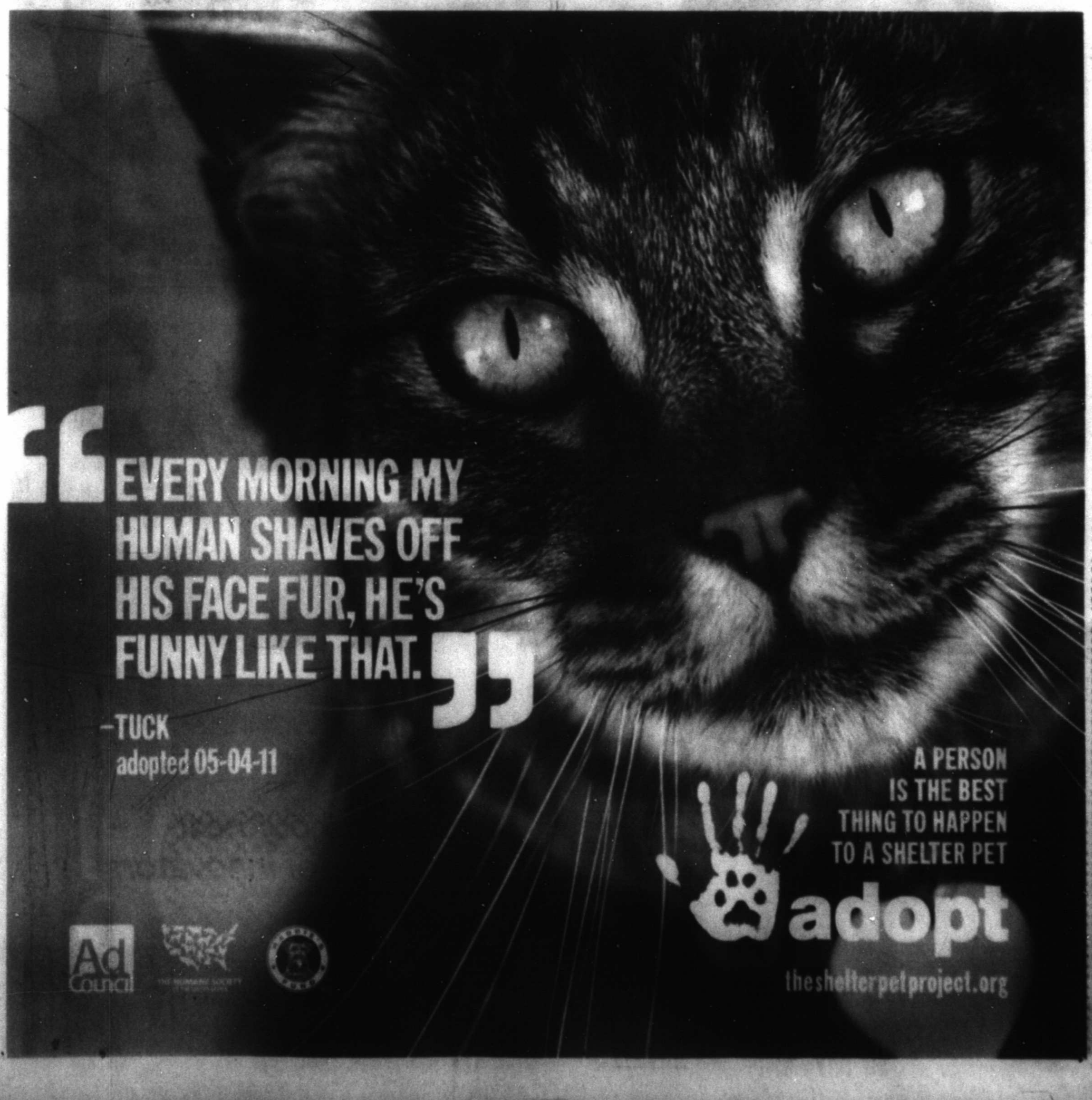

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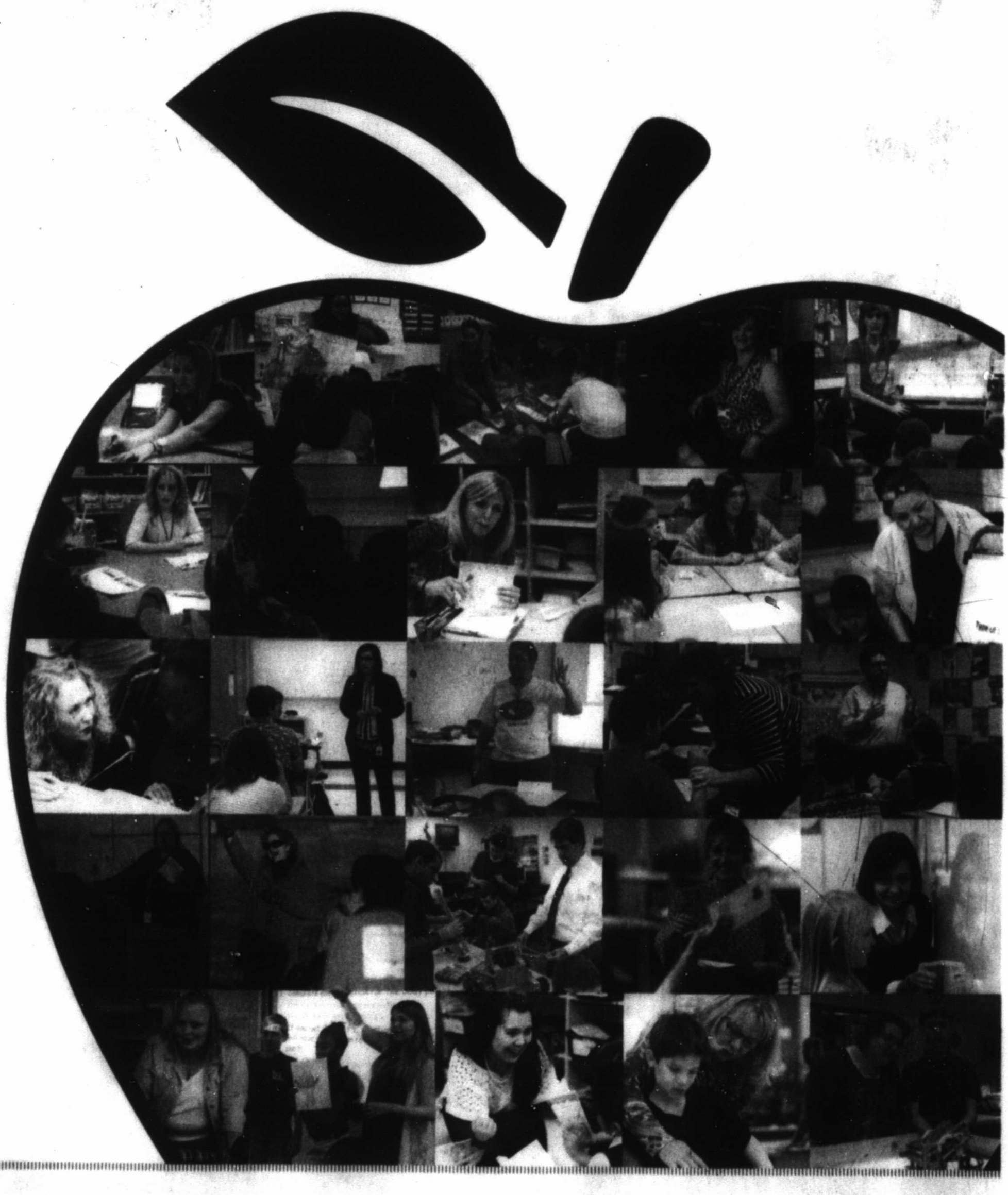

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