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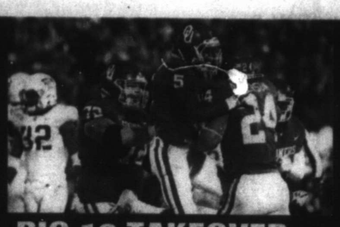

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Midland Health CEO: Taxes could go up

Meyers' comments serve as warning that taxpayers will be asked to contribute more

By Stewart Doreen
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The Midland Hospital District will have to ask local taxpayers to contribute more than it has historically.

That was the message from Midland Health CEO Russell Meyers earlier this month at the Midland Chamber of Commerce State of the Economy luncheon.

Meyers said the hospital has been impacted by federal funding issues, by a historically conservative board of trustees and by people not paying their hospital bills — either because they don't have the funds or because they opt not to pay them. Meyers said uncompensated care tops the list — the total reached $72 million in fiscal year 2016, and he expects that number to reach $75 million this upcoming fiscal year.

He said Midland enjoys low tax support compared to other districts. A chart provided during the presentation showed that Midland receives 8 percent of its total revenue from taxes. That compares to 17 percent support in Odessa, 19 percent in El Paso, 25 percent in Dallas, 26 percent in Bexar County (San Antonio), 29 percent in Harris County (Houston) and 25 percent in Tarrant County (Fort Worth).

"Contrasting us with other hospital districts (8 percent) is a low number," Meyers said. "We will have to move that from 9 to 10 percent of revenues to 14 to 15 percent to do all the work we have to do."

One way that might happen is through property taxes. The tax rate is 12.9994

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TRANSITION TO TELEVISION

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Jim Henry gives a book to a child during "The Adventures of Willy Nilly and Thumper" preview party by Basin PBS on Saturday at Cinergy Theater. The series will be an animated show to premiere in January on Basin PBS. View more photos on **Page 4A.**

Is Midland's tax bill higher than other cities?

Midland Reporter-Telegram

One of the social media complaints during the most recent election was about how high tax bills have become.

Some people who opposed the road bond often followed expressing their desire to see the bond fail with some version of "I can't afford to retire here." The thought was that Midland was the outlier, and the community's taxing entities have taken advantage of property valuations that are high — especially for West Texas — to increase the size of government.

■ **ANALYSIS**

Others, typically those supportive of the bond, argued that progress comes at a cost, and metropolitan growth comes at a cost. They pointed out that tax rates for some entities are at, or near, multi-decade lows.

The Reporter-Telegram wanted to know what the truth is. We looked at various cities around Texas: Midland, Lubbock, Odessa, Abilene, Plano, San Antonio, Austin, Waco, Tyler and College Station. We went to central appraisal district websites and found tax rates

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Petroplex economy jumps 9 percent

■ Third quarter posts annualized growth of 17 percent

By Mella McEwen
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Three quarters into 2017, the Midland-Odessa economy is moving full speed ahead, and the momentum is expected to carry growth into next year.

"The combined Midland-Odessa general economy continues to soar through September with double-digit percentage year-over-year increases in general spending, automotive spending, hotel-motel spending, construction, home building and home sales activity," said Karr Ingham, the Amarillo economist who prepares the Midland-Odessa Regional Economic Index for the Midland Development Corp.

Ingham reported that the September index came in 8.9 percent above September 2016, posting its 11th consecutive monthly increase and over the course of the third quarter, the combined economies of Midland and Odessa posted annualized growth of 17 percent.

Still, Ingham pointed out that the economy remains well below the peak reached in January 2015 as the momentum of $100 crude prices finally ebbed. The gap between that peak and today is 11 percent, much better than the 19 percent gap at the depth of the contraction.

"First, we had to turn the corner, exit contraction and enter recovery. We've done that and we're doing so at a rapid pace. We're recovering what was lost in big chunks and adding growth in big chunks. But it will be awhile until we get back to that peak," he said.

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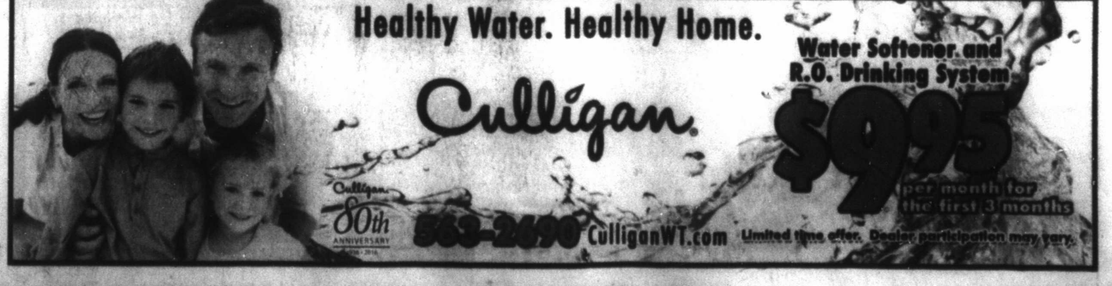

Conaway files for re-election

From staff reports

Conaway

Congressman Mike Conaway of Midland filed for re-election Saturday with the Republican Party of Texas.

Conaway is chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, chairs the House Russia Investigation, and sits on the House Armed Services Committee as well as the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

"Last November, the American people delivered a decisive victory to President Trump and the Republican party," Conaway said in a press release. "We've spent the last year working to roll back harmful Obama era regulations, and get the American economy working again. I'm running for reelection so that we can continue promoting solid, conservative policies that will strengthen our military, create jobs for hardworking Americans, and protect our Constitutional rights. I look forward to continuing my service to the people of the 11th Congressional District of Texas, because I know that together we can accomplish even more."

Conaway has served seven terms in the U.S. House. The 29-county 11th district includes the cities of Midland, Odessa and San Angelo.

Tom Fox/The Dallas Morning News via AP

Former first lady Laura Bush, the founder of Texan by Nature, visits Klyde Warren Park on Oct. 25, with it's vice president of operations Michael Gaffney, in Dallas. Mrs. Bush was there to celebrate the groups' partnership with the park and for it's designation as an official Monarch Wrangler. She spoke about the importance of the Monarch Wrangler program, which seeks to provide safe habitats for the declining monarch-butterfly population.

Laura Bush encourages use of native plants, wildflowers

By Erin Booke
The Dallas Morning News

DALLAS — Former first lady Laura Bush is following the wildflower-lined path of Lady Bird Johnson as a staunch advocate of native plants, wildlife and conserving the natural beauty of Texas.

"I always really admired Lady Bird Johnson," Bush said recently at an event at Klyde Warren Park in Dallas. "Her efforts to use native plants really showed us that how we are naturally is enough. And the way our state is, is pretty enough, beautiful enough, with our own native plants and native wildflowers."

The Dallas Morning News reports in what she and her husband former President George W. Bush call "the afterlife," the ex-first lady founded Texan By Nature, an Austin-based nonprofit that aims to conserve native habitats and resources in Texas through partnerships with businesses, schools, faith-based organizations and the scientific community.

One of the organization's big areas of focus is preserving the declining monarch butterfly population. Its Monarch Wrangler program is a statewide initiative to create habitats that are essential to the butterfly, and Klyde Warren Park in downtown Dallas was recently named the newest partner. The park has removed invasive species and planted a garden full of milkweed plants to attract the pollinators. They are also offering educational programming on the monarch migration, including seed-ball making and butterfly tagging.

Bush visited the park in October to see the efforts in person, and said the gardens are a great example of what people can do in their own yards.

"What people can see here ... are the landscape plants that are native, that will bring butterflies to your own yard but that also are pretty," Bush said.

The garden at Klyde Warren Park includes 350 milkweed plants, 200 of which were donated by Monarch Watch. They have natives such as green milkweed and Antelope Horns milkweed, plus the non-native tropical milkweed. There is some local controversy over whether or not the tropical milkweed interferes with monarch migration and keeps the butterflies in place longer than they should. Monarch Joint Venture advises that it be cut down in the fall, but others say it's OK to leave it because it freezes.

"Monarch numbers are down and we know that, and we're not sure why," Bush said. "I think a lot of it could be fragmentation of land. There's been a lot of development and fragmentation of native property. But we can all help by planting native plants."

Other native plants at Klyde Warren Park include Texas red yucca, mealy blue sage, Texas mountain laurel, Salvia greggii and several varieties of native grasses.

The Bushes planted native grasses at the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum in Dallas and have been working the last four years to restore native prairie at their ranch in Crawford.

"We've had to plow for four years, the coastal Bermuda that the rancher had sown, which is an asset for a rancher, but we wanted native," Bush said. "Our native plant man bought up little remnants of intact prairie that he had seen around there, and first we took seed from that intact prairie."

Now they have about 100 acres restored and propagate their own seed. They also propagated Antelope Horns milkweed, a native plant.

Bush, a native of Midland, is mindful of arid climates and water usage, which is a key reason to use native plants.

"Midland is Far West Texas, it's virtually desert," she said. "We're arid. Remember that and plant the things that will grow there in an arid climate like half of our state is."

There are challenges in getting people to embrace usage of native plants. Bush recalled a neighbor near the presidential library at Southern Methodist University who called to complain about the lawn and requested it be mowed. But the grasses at the library stand up to a lot of wear, need to be mowed about three times a year, and are watered only with collected rainwater.

Various native plants sales are held in the spring and fall at places like Texas Discovery Gardens and the Heard Museum in McKinney, but the plants can sometimes be difficult to find at nurseries. "They are becoming easier to find because people ask for them," Bush said. "You need to make sure you tell the store owners and managers that you want native, and they'll make an effort to buy."

No reason given for departure of Odessa's Hispanic Chamber CEO

By Corey Paul
Odessa American

Odessa Hispanic Chamber of Commerce CEO Mike Garza resigned from his taxpayer-funded position as the head of the organization leading the city's long, troubled effort aimed at building business ties with Mexico.

Garza did not respond to requests for comment. His tenure was marked by political turbulence and the Hispanic chamber's ongoing struggle to substantiate the public return on the taxpayer money the organization receives.

Raymond Chavez, the paid manager of the city's "Mexico Initiative" effort, declined to comment on the reason for Garza's departure. District 5 Councilman Filiberto Gonzales, an ardent defender of the program who has a long-running affiliation with the Hispanic chamber, did not respond to a request for comment.

In June, Garza accused the mayor and other city leaders of "discrimination" and "sabotaging our projects" among other unsupported allegations in a lengthy error strewn email sent to the city attorney.

Garza would also lash out at the city's economic development board that funds the Hispanic chamber in August, but he succeeded in securing continued funding for the organization that includes a paid position for Chavez.

The taxpayer funded portion of Garza's salary amounted to more than $60,000 in the fiscal year that began Oct. 1, not including perks such as an auto allowance. A news release from the Hispanic chamber stated Garza announced his resignation on Oct. 28.

"Over the next couple of months, we will examine this role and the necessity to replace this position," the release stated. "... During this transition period, it is our priority to find the best individual to lead our cause, while maintaining a stable and effective organization. Lastly, we cannot thank Mike enough for his dedication, passion, and enthusiasm over the past 3 years."

This year the Hispanic chamber received a total of about $305,000, not including marketing funds budgeted through another agency or any other city expenses in support of the Mexico Initiative.

In 2011, the ODC slashed the Hispanic chamber's budget amid concerns of poor performance and commingled funds, and the Mexico Initiative would prove a lifeline for the organization.

The board of the Odessa Development Corporation, which oversees the city's economic development sales tax fund, is scheduled to review the Mexico Initiative and Chavez' position in the spring. Chavez is being paid $58,000 by the city for six months of work.

During Garza's tenure, the Odessa City Council removed one of the city appointees tasked with overseeing the program, ODC chair Jimmy Breaux, in May.

In September, the City Council fired the City Manager. And Gonzales, one of the three council members who formed a majority to oust Richard Morton, cited the Hispanic chamber in his arguments for Morton's removal.

"How many times have you gone into Larry's office and griped him out for trying to help the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and telling him to let them fail," Gonzales said, referring to City Attorney Larry Long.

Morton denied it, but Long, who for months met privately with Hispanic chamber officials and offered counsel, supported Gonzales, saying "He was complaining about my involvement. Yes."

The Hispanic chamber responded to a request for comment with the news release touting Garza's accomplishments but not explaining his resignation.

The release, attributed to board members Chris Arredondo and Sandra Ramirez, said Garza "helped support and move forward" the Mexico Initiative, "increased the membership" of the Hispanic chamber, started an event providing breakfast to teachers along with other events at the school district's alternative education center, and "increased the funds from 2014 to 2017 by 400%"

Public money makes up the majority of the Hispanic chamber's budget.

Garza replaced Joe Montoya as CEO of the Hispanic chamber. Montoya, who quit in October 2015, and cited micromanagement by board members including Chavez and a shift in focus away from small business development to the Mexico initiative.

"Eventually, there was almost nothing left but the Mexico Initiative," Montoya told the Odessa American back then. "And the organization of the chamber is not just there for the Mexico Initiative, but it should be there for all the members as well as the community. There are people in the organization that are really focused on the vision. An organization can have all the focus on the vision that they want, but the strongest in the organization are going to get their way, and it doesn't matter what everyone else thinks."

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Sandra Bullock to play Wendy Davis in abortion filibuster movie 'Let Her Speak'

By Claire Z. Cardona
The Dallas Morning News

Sandra Bullock is poised to take on the role of Wendy Davis in a new movie called Let Her Speak about the filibuster that catapulted the former Texas senator into the national spotlight.

Bullock, who previously lived in Austin, is attached to the script as long as the project lands a director she likes, Deadline Hollywood reported.

The movie would cover the day of the filibuster as well as Davis' journey from a teen mother living in a trailer park to a Harvard-trained lawyer who later won a seat on the Fort Worth City Council.

On June 25, 2013, Davis stood on the state Senate floor in pink Mizuno sneakers for more than 12 hours straight to block a vote on what would have been one of the most restrictive abortion laws in the country. She went without breaks and water during the filibuster.

When Republicans used strict interpretations of the Senate rules to try to end the filibuster and call a vote before the first special session of the 83rd Legislature ended at midnight, abortion rights activists who had packed the gallery erupted into chants of "let her speak."

The vote was cast in favor of the bill largely along party lines, but came too late and the session was called to a close without Senate Bill 5's passage.

After the filibuster, then-Gov. Rick Perry called legislators back for another special session, and the bill that banned abortions after 20 weeks of pregnancy was passed.

The bill also mandated that abortions be performed at hospital-like surgical centers and that doctors who perform abortions must have admitting privileges at hospitals, requirements that caused more than half of the state's abortion clinics to close.

After a lengthy legal debate, the U.S. Supreme Court in June 2016 struck down the regulations on abortion doctors and clinics in a 5-3 decision. The ruling determined that the restrictions posed an unconstitutional burden on women seeking to end a pregnancy.

Davis waived a bid for re-election to run for governor in 2014. She was dealt a strong defeat by Greg Abbott who beat her with more than 20 percentage points.

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Things to do

Today

■ Old Miner's Maze interactive adventure features a maze, rock walls, mechanical bull and more, noon to 6 p.m., 4305 N. County Road 1140. oldminersmaze.com.

■ Bridge game play, 1:30 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

■ Santa, Milk and Cookies, 2-5 p.m., Miss Cayce's Christmas, 1012 Andrews Highway.

■ Bingo Nights, 4 p.m., American Legion, 501 Veterans Airpark Lane. 682-5511.

■ Earth Yoga Flow Donation Class, 4 p.m., Project30: Pilates and Fitness Studio, 3211 W. Wadley Ave. $20. The class honors local environment through grounding and revitalizing poses. — All proceeds from this class benefit Keep Midland Beautiful. clients.mindbodyonline.com.

■ Los Lobos, The Last Bandoleros, Headstone, 8 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $22-$52. wagnernoel.com.

Thursday

■ Midland Storytelling Festival: Storytelling Contest for Youth Tellers, 6:30 p.m., Midland Shared Spaces, 3500 N. "A" St. makingmemoriesmidland.com.

■ "National Geographic Live!: Polar Obsession" with Paul Nicklen, 7 p.m., Midland College's Allison Fine Arts, 3600 Garfield St. Free. The event is part of the 2017 Sibley Distinguished Lecture series. sibleynaturecenter.org.

Friday

Lego Movie and Block Party will feature a screening of "Lego Star Wars: The Yoda Chronicles" as well as fun creations with the toys, 4:30 p.m., Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 3503 W. Loop 250 N. For ages 6 to 12.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

From left, James Beauchamp, John Barton, Sherri Merket, Robin Donnelly, and Mitzi Baker photographed Tuesday at the Midland County Republican headquarters.

Filing period for primary elections begins

The following filed for office Saturday (first day of filing) within the Republican Party:

County Judge — James Beauchamp, Stephen Robertson

County Commissioner Precinct 2 — Robert R "Robin" Donnelly

County Commissioner Precinct 4 — Randy Prude

Midland County Treasurer — Mitzi Baker

Midland County Clerk — Alison Haley

Justice of the Peace, Precinct 2 — David M. Cobos

Justice of the Peach, Precinct 4 — John Wesley Barton

441st Judicial District Court — Jeff Robnett

Midland County Republican Party Chair — Sherri B Merket

Filings for 2018 primary elections began Saturday and will run through Dec. 11. Merket will be available to take filings from 8-9 a.m. on Nov. 14 and from 4-6 p.m. on Dec. 11 at Republican Party headquarters, 407 E. Illinois Ave. or by appointment. Contact 634-2002 for more information.

Editor's Note: The information was submitted by the Midland County Republican Party. The Reporter-Telegram will run submitted information from both parties.

Lottery

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Pick 3 day: 7-0-3
Pick 3 evening: 3-8-6
Pick 3 night: 6-6-9
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Daily 4 day: 7-7-3-8
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Triple Chance: 2-6-15-16-26-31-34-41-43-51

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All or Nothing day: 2-5-6-7-10-11-12-13-16-17-20-22
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Weather

Saturday's temperatures
High 77
Low 53
Normal high 68
Normal low 41

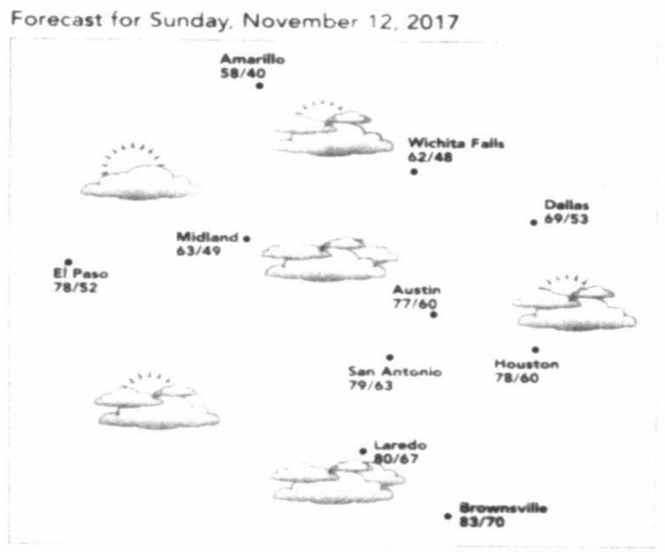
Nov. 11's records
Record high: 83, set in 1938 and equaled in 1964
Record low: 16, set in 1950

Precipitation
Friday ..... 0.00 in.
Saturday ..... 0.00 in.
Month total ..... 0.40 in.
Year total ..... 17.34 in.
Normal total (year to date) ..... 13.59 in.

Winds
Average speed: 12.7 mph
Highest speed: 21 mph
Highest gust speed: 28 mph

Nov. 12 forecast

Forecast for Sunday, November 12, 2017



High: 63
Low: 49
Conditions: Fog early/mostly cloudy during the day/mostly cloudy at night
Winds: 10-15 mph during the day and night
Chance of rain: Patchy drizzle, 20 percent chance during the day/patchy drizzle at night

Sunrise ..... 7:15 a.m.
Sunset ..... 5:51 p.m.

Source: National Weather Service

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

***Note:** Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.*

A baby born today has a Sun in Scorpio and a Moon in Virgo.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for **Sunday, Nov. 12, 2017:**

This year you enter the first and luckiest year of a 12-year life cycle. You are likely to enjoy yourself more than you have in the recent past. You could meet someone of great importance to your life as a result. If you are single, do not worry about your status. Your age will determine the type of bond you create. If you are attached, the two of you agree to acquiesce each other at times. Learning to be more specific could make all the difference. Try not to judge your sweetie so much. TAURUS knows how to have fun.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Be willing to dote on a loved one who remains quite close to you. Know that your intuition could be slightly off. You can look at a situation only from your own experiences, which is likely to affect your sixth sense. A friend plays a big role in your plans. **Tonight:** Feel as free as a bird. **This Week:** You might be more tired than you realize.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Your creativity and willingness to express your feelings become evident. You will become more in tune with others because of a newfound openness. Let go of a belief that you have held since you were a child, and you will see life differently. **Tonight:** You are full of fun. **This Week:** By Thursday, you will be ready to party with loved ones!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Keep reaching out to someone close to you, perhaps a relative whom you have not seen much lately. Make plans to visit this person over an early dinner or a late brunch. Enjoy this interaction to the max. Try to spend more time together. **Tonight:** Your home is your castle. **This Week:** Romance and creativity serve as your muses this week.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ A conversation should not be postponed any longer. You will find that having this talk frees you up to enjoy more time with a partner. Don't allow your imagination to get out of control. Be more forthright about your feelings. **Tonight:** Catch up on some friend's news. **This Week:** Dance the weekend away.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You generally take the high road and avoid harsh emotions. However, at the moment you could have an attack of the green-eyed monster. Know that your feelings might be based on a misunderstanding. Find the person in question and clear the air. **Tonight:** Indulge a loved one. **This Week:** Work with the New Moon rather than fight its energy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You could feel insecure or confused by everything you hear today. Know that your feelings might be based on a miscommunication that needs to be cleared up. You simply are not seeing this matter as clearly as you need to. **Tonight:** Reach out to a loved one. **This Week:** Curb a tendency to want what your neighbor has.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Reticence might not be your normal style, but it will work for you today, at least as a defense. Try making yourself a little uncomfortable by remaining more open. You might not be aware that a friend or loved one is receiving mixed messages. **Tonight:** Readjust your thinking. **This Week:** You can't be stopped.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Don't allow anyone to drag you down by implying that your values could be stronger. You might need to have a discussion here. Remain polite, but spend more time with someone who feels positively about your goals. **Tonight:** Join friends who are out. Just don't be alone. **This Week:** You might not feel up to snuff until Thursday.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Your upbeat attitude and willingness to share some personal feelings open up many doors. A new friend seems to appreciate how you express yourself. Still, you might not be willing to reveal more of your deeper thoughts and ideas. **Tonight:** Do some networking and socializing. **This Week:** Lie low on Thursday.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Your words hold weight. In fact, how you share an important concept defines how the idea will be received. Deal with questions more openly, but know that there might be a sense of confusion in the other party's mind. **Tonight:** Look beyond the obvious when making plans. **This Week:** Others can't help but notice you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You know how to affect a close loved one. You won't hesitate to express yourself in a powerful way. Others stop to listen to what you have to say, and they will try to learn from you. Do not underestimate the power of your words. **Tonight:** Be with a favorite person. **This Week:** Attempt to understand the different energy around you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You often wander into the fantasy world of your imagination. Your dreams express a fertile creativity and a deep resilience. Learn to take notes and be more sensitive to what is being offered. Invite others to join you on some kind of adventure. **Tonight:** Continue as you have. **This Week:** Work with a partner.

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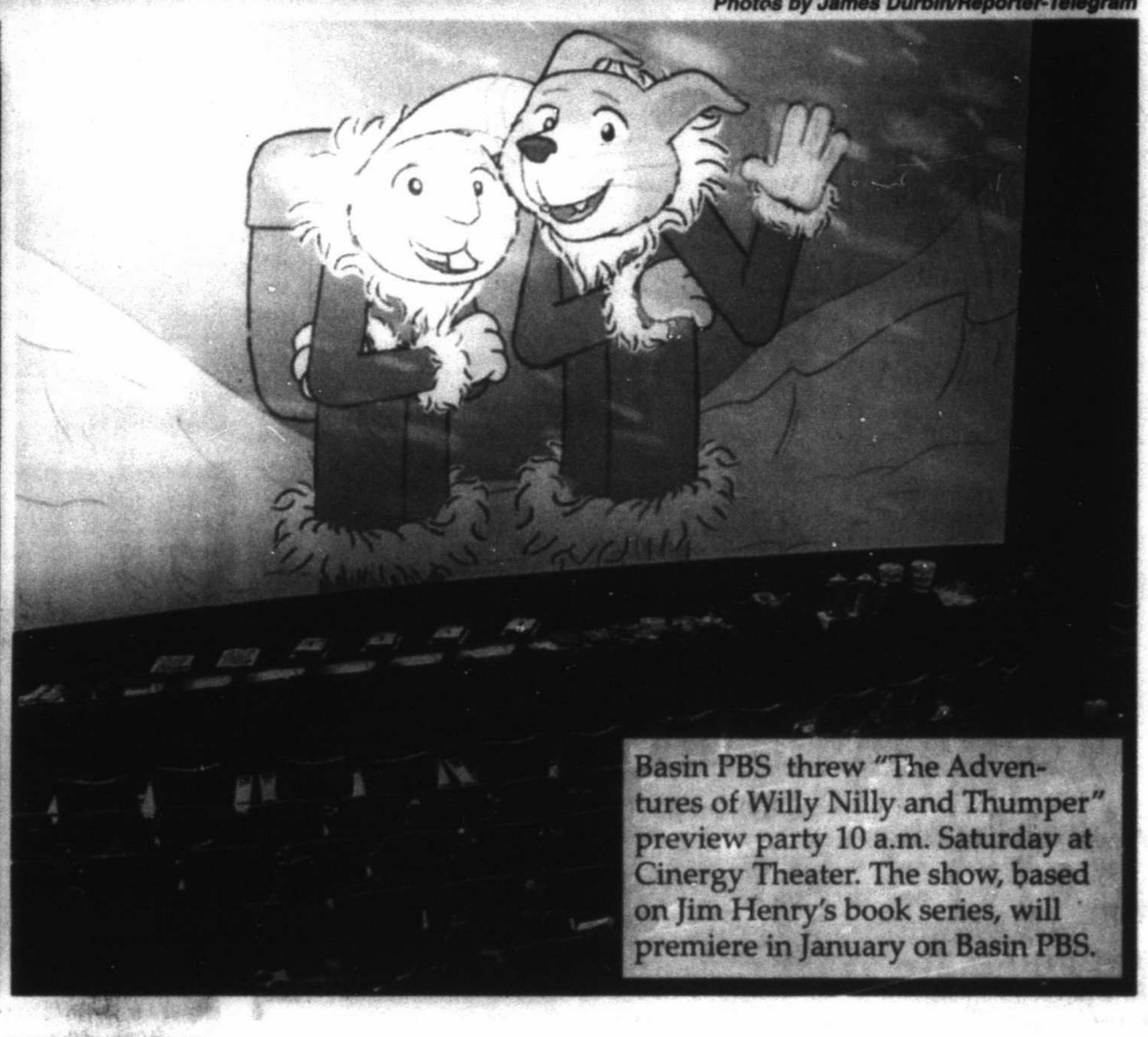

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Different laws and databases affect gun background checks

By Lisa Marie Pane
Associated Press

Devin Kelley, who carried out the massacre at a Texas church, was able to buy four guns even though he had been convicted in the Air Force of domestic violence. Yet he was denied a Texas permit to carry a firearm. Here's a look at some of the complexities in the laws on buying and carrying guns.

How did Kelley manage to buy a gun?

Under federal law, anyone convicted of domestic violence cannot purchase a firearm. But the Air Force failed to inform federal law enforcement authorities that Kelley was court-martialed for assaulting his wife and cracking her son's skull. When he tried to buy guns after his release from a military prison, his conviction was not in the database used to conduct background checks, and the purchases went through.

How does federal law enforcement check someone's background for a gun purchase?

A licensed gun dealer submits the paperwork to the FBI to run a background check. There are essentially three databases that combined make up what is known as the NICS, or National Instant Criminal Background Check System. Records are searched in the National Crime Information Center, which contains restraining orders and warrants; the Interstate Identification Index, which holds convictions; and the NICS Index, which has mental health commitments and dishonorable discharges from the military.

So why was he flagged when he applied for a permit to carry a firearm in Texas?

State standards for who can carry a gun in public can be different from the federal standards for buying a weapon. And the background checks can be different.

In Texas, someone applying for a permit can be turned down for being charged with or convicted of certain misdemeanors or for being delinquent in child support — things that don't prevent someone from buying a gun. Texas uses a variety of databases, including NICS as well as statewide criminal databases.

The Texas Department of Public Safety said Kelley sought a permit in 2015, but the application was delayed "due to a possibly disqualifying issue." When Kelley failed to respond to the agency's request for more information, he was denied. The "disqualifying issue" has not been identified, but his 2014 misdemeanor animal-cruelty conviction for beating his dog in Colorado could have been enough.

What are some other reasons people can be denied a carry permit that wouldn't prohibit them from buying a gun?

It varies from state to state. Some, such as Hawaii, have very strict standards. There you must demonstrate to the local police chief that you have an "exceptional case" and a very specific reason for needing to carry a gun in public. Other states, such as Vermont, don't require a license to carry a firearm.

In some states, the agency that reviews such applications uses only NICS. Others might use other criminal databases that aren't linked into the NICS system. Some might rely on local police reports and flag anything that suggests a history of violence, even if the charges did not result in a conviction.

Texas is an "open carry" state. Did Kelley even need a license to carry his weapons?

Texas requires a permit to carry a handgun in public. No permit is required to carry a rifle or a shotgun. Kelley used an assault rifle in the church attack and was also found with two handguns.

Crime of the week

The Midland County Sheriff's Office and Midland Crime Stoppers needs your help on a theft.

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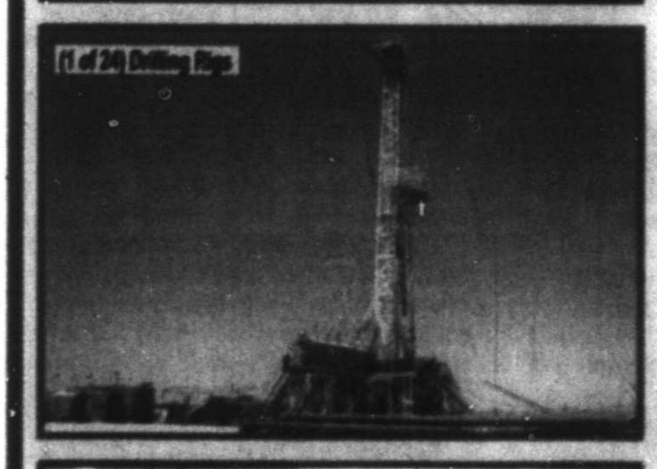

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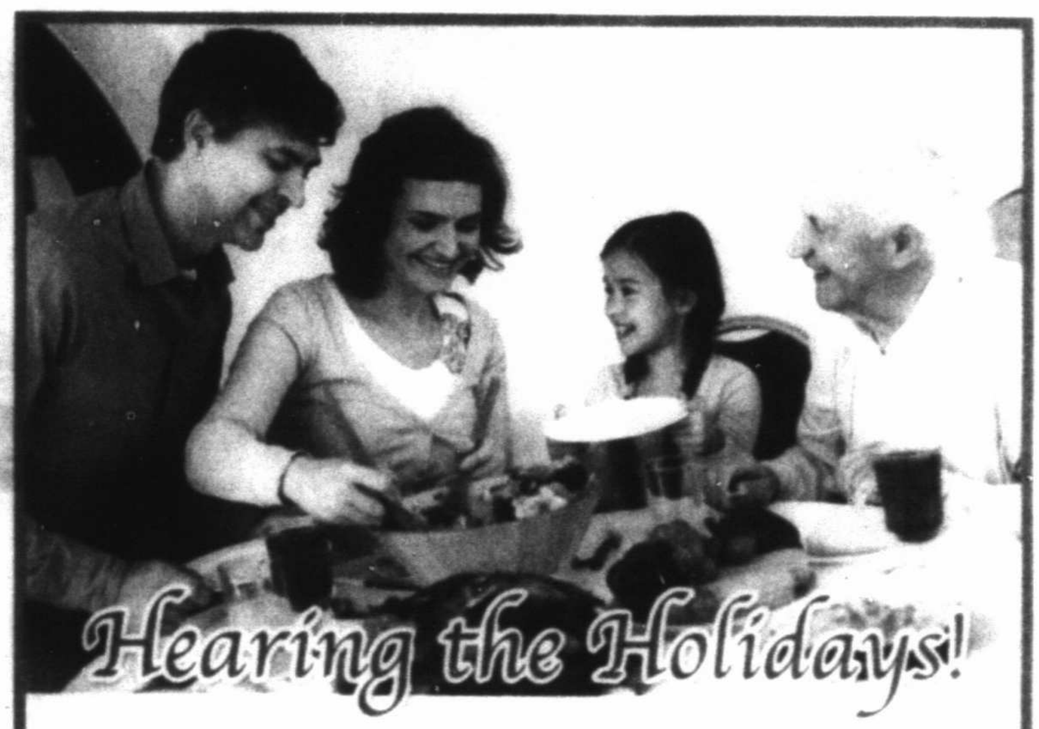

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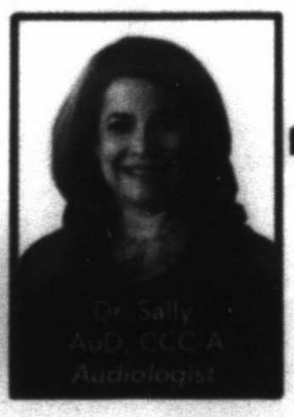

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A flag flies at half-staff outside the entrance to the Sutherland Springs Cemetery on Thursday in Sutherland Springs. The people of Sutherland Springs have not held news conferences, they haven't made appearances on network morning television shows, and while they've been polite to the media, they're not exactly forthcoming

Tiny town turns inward in wake of mass shooting

By Tamara Lush
Associated Press

SUTHERLAND SPRINGS — The people of Sutherland Springs have not held news conferences, they haven't made appearances on network morning television shows, and while they've been polite to the media, they're not exactly forthcoming. Instead, this rural community is turning to the one thing that has buoyed them in good times, and sustains them now: an unshakeable faith in God.

David Colbath, one of 20 people who were injured but survived Devin Patrick Kelley's rampage at the First Baptist Church, held Bible study from his hospital bed. Judy Green, a church member who avoided the carnage because she and her husband were running an errand, sought counseling at another church because of what she saw when she drove up to the building that day. Crystal Barkley, a Sutherland Springs resident who doesn't even attend the church, prayed and "stayed at home for a couple of days, collecting strength."

There have been no fewer than three prayer vigils for the victims. One, held Wednesday and attended by Vice President Mike Pence, was so large that it had to be held in the neighboring town's football stadium. On Sunday, the town will gather for church services in its community center, which is next door to the church and was part of the crime scene for several days. Residents have included reporters in impromptu prayer circles and have tried, quietly, to let the world know that it is a God-loving town, not a place of violence.

"We want to be known for more than this," sighed Tambria Read, president of the local historical museum, schoolteacher and lifelong resident. "We are not a shoot-'em-up community."

It's difficult to put into words what happens to a place after a mass shooting, and each has its own way of dealing with the horror. In big cities like Orlando and Las Vegas, it was possible for those not directly affected to mourn and move on, to try to get back to normal as quickly as possible and mend aching hearts. Suburban sprawl and the comforts of urban life helped smooth over the raw emotion and residents could ignore the media, the outsiders coming to help, the constant reminder of loss.

In Sutherland Springs, there's been no escaping Sunday morning's shooting that left 26 dead. Every resident in town knew at least one person who was killed, and most knew several. The victims were cousins, former students, people who they laughed with not long ago at the annual Fall Festival.

Eight were children, and one victim wasn't yet born.

"It's a good, simple community," said Rod Green, Judy's husband.

Green said he got a call from the church pastor, who was out of town. "He said, 'what's going on,' and I said, 'what do you mean?' He said, 'there's been a shooting at the church. Aren't you there?'"

By the time Green and his wife arrived, police and first responders were there. There were wounded people in the parking lot. The Greens tried to comfort the wounded, while ambulances crisscrossed the road outside. Helicopters landed nearby to fly the critically wounded to hospitals.

"I saw a lot of stuff in Vietnam, and I never expected to see that type of thing here," he said.

And now there are outsiders in Sutherland Springs, who stick out by virtue of the fact that they're asking questions during a time when people are pleading for answers from God.

It's difficult for any community that's been blindsided by sudden horror to cope with grieving in the public eye. But for Sutherland Springs, population 600, it's been a particular challenge for several reasons — not the least of which is the fact that it's set in rural Texas, a stoic and insular place.

Scores of media trucks, vans and cars have hunkered down at the town's one major intersection (there are no stoplights here, only a flashing yellow). Anchormen did live shots near a flower-covered cross nailed to a post, while across the street, chaplains stood in a prayer circle next to a Frito-Lay truck in a gas station parking lot.

Charlene Uhl, whose 16-year-old daughter Haley Krueger died last Sunday, has spent the days since the shooting at home, comforting her other three children and planning a funeral. She hasn't wanted to leave her house because the town is crawling with reporters.

The media attention "has made it harder," she said. "It's hard for me to talk about it."

It's no exaggeration to say that reporters have knocked on almost every door in Sutherland Springs, seeking stories about the victims.

Just a few days after Joe and Claryce Holcombe lost eight members of their family spanning three generations — including a son, grandchildren and great grandchildren — Mike Hopper stood guard outside the gate to the family's ranch to keep the crush of media at bay.

As Hopper talked with a reporter on Tuesday, family members drove up in a pickup truck and said they would soon be calling authorities to keep the media away. They lamented how journalists were staking out their relatives' homes, depriving them of their peace and time to grieve. The word "vultures" was used.

A shiny, new black-and-orange "No Trespassing" sign was stapled to the farm gate. Hopper said a woman from town drove around, handing them out. The signs sprouted in front of driveways and on fences all over the area.

"There's just a lot of emotion and protection," Hopper said.

It's not that Sutherland Springs hasn't weathered its share of tragedies. In the decades since people settled there in 1854 — the community was named after a doctor who treated soldiers at the Alamo — the town flooded, a high school burned down, and dozens were killed during a flu epidemic in 1919.

But in recent decades, things have been quiet in this sleepy town southeast of San Antonio. It's surrounded by rolling hills and cow pastures, and at night, overarched by vast Texas skies.

"We ain't got much news," shrugged 84-year-old Richard Cardenas, who was born here and served as a county public works supervisor for decades. There was a flood in 1998, he recalled, and once, a woman with Alzheimer's wandered into the woods and her body was found two months later. In 1993, the parents of Stephen Willeford were both killed in a motorcycle accident, said Cardenas' wife, Theresa. (Willeford confronted Sunday's attacker, shooting him, and has been hailed as a hero).

The Cardenases were home Sunday when a friend called, wanting to know what was happening at the church. Richard Cardenas wept over the next few days as he watched his town's tragedy played out on a television from a hospital bed in the family's front room.

He and his wife used to maintain the town cemetery, and now that duty's fallen to his daughter Bertha and her husband. As a television anchor interviewed people about the shooting, Cardenas turned to his daughter and asked, "How many are they going to bury over there?"

Bertha shook her head. "We don't know yet."

She would be interviewed in The New York Times a few days later.

Tambria Read, the teacher, says the presence of the media has put a certain pressure on the town, one it just isn't used to. Live satellite trucks hum in the middle of town day and night as schoolkids pass by on buses, and white-hot lights illuminate the faces of the cable news hosts.

"Did you look to the east sky and see the full moon this week?" she said. "The media's lights have ruined the night sky."

Parishioners: Gunman acted oddly week before church attack

By Emily Schmall
Associated Press

SUTHERLAND SPRINGS — Less than a week before the Texas church massacre, the gunman who slaughtered more than two dozen people showed up at a festival dressed in black and acted so strangely that people kept a close eye on him, two longtime parishioners said Friday.

Devin Patrick Kelley "was completely distant and way out in thought," recalled Judy Green. She and her husband said Kelley often exhibited troubling behavior.

At the fall festival held on Halloween night at the First Baptist Church, Kelley "didn't even blink — he just stared," she said.

Rod Green, a former law enforcement officer in Montana, said when he saw Kelley arrive in all black, he examined him closely to make sure he was not carrying a gun. The Greens both have licenses to carry handguns, and they are friends with Kelley's in-laws.

If Kelley had been carrying a weapon, Green said, he would have escorted him away because of all the children there. Judy Green said she positioned herself to keep an eye on Kelley at all times.

"There was something wrong with the picture," she said. "I was thinking forward, and that was what was scaring me."

At a Christmas dinner one year, Kelley had "bragged about being armed," Rod Green said.

Wilson County Sheriff Joe Tackitt has said the church pastor saw Kelley in the crowd at the festival but that the pastor did not witness any behavior that raised alarms.

Investigators have said Sunday's shooting appeared to stem from a domestic dispute involving Kelley and his mother-in-law, and that he had sent threatening messages to her. The mother-in-law sometimes attended services at the church but was not present on Sunday. Kelley died of what appeared to be a self-inflicted gunshot wound after the massacre.

The Greens run a food pantry that offered this stricken Texas community another chance to mourn Friday as the charity resumed its weekly operations five days after the massacre at the church next door.

People crowded inside the By His Grace pantry, tearfully hugging and filling bags with donated bakery goods, groceries and used clothing.

The pantry's director, Lula White, was among those killed. White was also the 71-year-old grandmother of the gunman's wife.

As 68-year-old Brandy Johnson walked in, she flinched and she said she could "see Lu at the desk." White "had a heart as big as Texas," she said.

The Greens have operated the pantry for 11 years. She said she has slept little since Sunday, waking up screaming from nightmares. The couple, who were married at the church, were not at the service but later watched as worshippers were carried out in body bags.

"It is fresh in my mind. I see it all — just over and over and over," Judy Green said.

Deana Cassel, who is 52 and a lung cancer patient, wiped away tears as she helped straighten piles of used clothing. She said volunteering at the pantry had given her a sense of purpose and a way to channel her grief about losing friends in the shooting.

"There's a lot of poverty in this area, but people don't only come here for something to eat. These people make them think they have someone in their life," she said, gesturing toward the Greens.

Law enforcement officials have reopened the intersection where the First Baptist Church stands, but black mesh material was tied to the chain-link fence surrounding it. With the bullet-ridden church door open, a tall wooden cross could be seen at the altar.

At annual Veterans Day observances Saturday, the church victims with military backgrounds will receive a full military salute on the grounds of the community hall, said Alice Garcia, president of the unincorporated town's community association.

"Everyone in the community is doing what they can, but honestly everyone feels so helpless," 20-year-old Karyssa Calbert of neighboring Floresville, Texas, said at the hall.

Before the church is demolished, it will serve as a temporary memorial, said Rod Green, who also serves as the grounds steward for the church.

The building will be scrubbed down and whitewashed, and chairs will be placed inside — one to commemorate each of the dead. Late Friday afternoon, people in dust suits could be seen scrubbing the walkway leading to the front door.

Services will never take place there again, Rod Green said, explaining that the church plans to build a new structure on property it owns elsewhere. Services will be held Sunday at a nearby baseball field.

Pastor Frank Pomeroy told leaders of the Southern Baptist Convention earlier this week that it would be too painful to continue using First Baptist Church as a place of worship.

Kelley shot and killed 25 people at the church. Authorities have put the official toll at 26, because one of the victims was pregnant.

Meanwhile, funerals have started. On Thursday, more than 500 people attended a private service at a San Antonio-area Air Force base for Scott and Karen Marshall, a husband and wife who both served in the military, said Randy Martin, spokesman for the 12th Flying Training Wing.

Eleven people remained hospitalized Friday with wounds from the shooting.

Eric Gay/Associated Press

Rod Green, right, hugs a friend at By His Grace, a food pantry affiliated with Sutherland Springs Baptist Church on Friday in Sutherland Springs. Green wanted to open the food pantry, which is located next to the church, despite the recent shooting.

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cents per $100 valuation. It is the second lowest property tax rate of the five taxing entities inside the city of Midland (the lowest belongs to Midland College).

Hospital officials are likely also laying the foundation to put the district's name in the hat for the quarter-cent of sales tax available inside the city of Midland. Currently, the sales tax rate is 8 percent. The cap for the sales tax is 8.25 percent. That quarter of a cent would raise around $10 million based on previous years' collections. The city of Midland also is eyeing that quarter-cent for infrastructure.

Hospital district officials look west to Odessa, where its hospital district collects three-quarters of a cent of sales tax. That large amount has left other entities, especially Ector County, struggling to keep pace with its counterparts. Such a substantial share has helped lower Odessa hospital district's property tax rate to less than 9 cents per $100 valuation.

Meyers said at the event that he would rather keep his focus and efforts on making sure the federal government continues to feed the district and that $20 million in funding, he said, is at risk.

"We will have to ask our local taxpayers to contribute something more than they have historically," Meyers said. "We have been blessed by having a very conservative perspective for a very long time, and it has left the hospital district with pretty minimal support relative to other people who do the kinds of work that we do. That will be an important part of it."

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from fiscal year 2017. We then used median home sales prices from the Texas Association of Realtors (because not all appraisal district sites listed the average market value of a residential property).

Lubbock and Midland appraisal district officials told the Reporter-Telegram that the median sales price was typically a little higher than the average market value. Still, using TAR statistics provided comparable information.

In some cases, a community didn't have the same five taxing entities as Midland — the city, county, junior college district, hospital district and independent school district. For those, we figured the tax bill of comparable entities. For instance, Lubbock had four that were similar to Midland (ISD, county, city and hospital) and Abilene had three (ISD, city and county). So we compared the tax bill based on those four and three entities, respectively.

The results were pretty simple. Midland's tax bill was considerably more than communities in the western part of the state. The tax bill for the typical home in Odessa was $3,781.04, which is more than $780 less than the tax bill in Midland. Lubbock's tax bill was $3,362.60 (again there were just four entities). Midland's same four taxing entities produced a tax bill that was $908 more.

In the case of both Odessa and Lubbock, the average median price for a home was $166,000 and $149,900, respectively. Midland's median price is listed as $235,000.

Travel east and to a more metropolitan city, and things change. Abilene's tax bill was about $53 more than Midland. The two communities have three of the same taxing entities, and the median price of a home in Abilene was listed as $152,000.

More major metropolitan areas had higher-priced residences, some similar to and one higher than Midland's. San Antonio's home price was $203,000, Plano's was $230,000, and Austin's was the highest of all communities in the group at $280,000.

Plano and Midland have four taxing entities in common. The difference in the tax bill favored Midland by $753.57. Midland's tax bill also was lower than San Antonio by $1,073.27. A homeowner in Austin faced a tax bill of more than $6,200, which is $1,600 higher than in Midland.

The comparison with College Station showed there were three taxing entities in the Brazos County city but still the resident there faced a tax bill of $4,877.64, which was greater than the tax bill from all five taxing entities in Midland.

In East Texas, Tyler residents pay a tax bill of $4,110.61 — about $149 less than Midland residents for four entities (ISD, the city, county and college district). Waco residents pay $4,937.75; they also have the same four entities as Tyler. The Waco amount is about $678 more than the bill from Midland's four (ISD, city, county and college district).

By the numbers

Median price of residential properties
(According to the Texas Association of Realtors in the third quarter of 2017)

Austin	$280,000
Midland	$235,000
Plano	$230,000
College Station	$204,900
San Antonio	$203,000
Tyler	$189,000
Waco	$173,750
Odessa	$166,000
Abilene	$152,000
Lubbock	$149,900

Total tax rates

■ Over five entities	
Austin	$2.214435
Midland	$1.942552
San Antonio	$2.777469
Odessa	$2.27774
■ Over four entities (ISD, county, city, junior college)	
Midland	$1.812612
Plano	$2.179656
Tyler	$2.174926
Waco	$2.841871
■ Over four entities (ISD, county, city, hospital)	
Midland	$1.817302
Lubbock	$2.243233
■ Over three entities (ISD, county, city)	
Midland	$1.689108
College Station	$2.3805
Abilene	$2.5765

Total tax bills

■ Over five entities	
Austin	$6,200.41
San Antonio	$5,638.26
Midland	$4,564.99
Odessa	$3,781.04
■ Over four entities (ISD, county, city, junior college)	
Plano	$5,013.20
Waco	$4,937.75
Midland	$4,259.83
Tyler	$4,110.61
■ Over four entities (ISD, county, city, hospital)	
Lubbock	$4,207.65
Midland	$3,362.60
■ Over three entities (ISD, county, city)	
College Station	$4,877.64
Midland	$3,969.40
Abilene	$3,916.18

Jury convicts Andrews County electrician in false billing scheme

From staff reports

A Midland jury convicted an Andrews County electrician on federal charges last week in connection with a false billing scheme and failing to file tax returns that resulted in excess of $1.5 million loss to local businesses, according to a press release from the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of Texas.

Randall Varian Hanks, 46, who once owned and operated Sandhills Electric Inc., was convicted of four counts of mail fraud and three counts of failure to file a tax return.

Evidence presented at trial revealed that from June 2013 to May 2016, Hanks, while working for two area oilfield services companies, generated fraudulent service tickets and invoices. These were valued in excess of $1.5 million for parts and services that he fraudulently claimed to have provided to the two companies' customers.

Both oilfield service companies paid Hanks and then billed the respective customers for parts and services Hanks claimed to have provided, according to the release.

Hanks received more than the applicable threshold in personal income each year, yet failed to file income tax returns with the IRS for the calendar years 2013, 2014 and 2015, resulting in tax losses to the U.S. government of nearly $500,000, according to the release.

Hanks faces up to 20 years in federal prison and a $250,000 fine on each mail fraud count and up to one year in federal prison and a $25,000 fine for each count of failure to file a tax return.

Sentencing is scheduled for Feb. 13 before Senior U.S. District Judge Robert A. Junell.

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He continued, "Yes we're better off, by and large, and we've rebounded from a year ago, by and large. We're improving by leaps and bounds month to month but we're still below that peak level. (Despite) what we've recovered and what we expect to add to the economy month to month, it will still be well into 2018 before we get back to that level. And remember, that level was achieved at $100 crude oil and a rig count that was higher than it is now."

Ingham said he believes the economy can return to that peak high even if the area's dominant oil and gas industry doesn't again see $100 oil prices.

"It won't take $100 to get back to that peak. Costs are not as high and Midland-Odessa didn't lose all that they had to lose. So it's probably likely at some point that economy will get back to that peak whether or not oil gets back to $100."

In the meantime, he said the Midland-Odessa economy is "still very much in recovery" and embarking on a new cycle of growth that began when it reached bottom in October 2016 and turned higher.

One of the area's main economic pillars, employment, continues to fuel the recovery, with employment rising 1.6 percent or about 2,500 jobs in the third quarter. The unemployment rate for September plunged 42.8 percent to average 3.2 percent from September 2016's average of 5.6 percent and the second lowest for September since September 2014. The third quarter unemployment rate sank 39.1 percent to average 3.5 percent, down from 5.8 percent in last year's third quarter.

Again, Ingham believes Midland-Odessa is creating jobs at a faster clip than the figures show, and he predicted that when the Texas Workforce Commission undertakes its annual data revisions this coming February, the new figures for Midland and Odessa will show significant upward revisions.

Another economic pillar — consumer spending — also soared in September, leaping 40.9 percent over September 2016 levels. Third quarter spending showed similar strength, coming in 34.2 higher than the third quarter of 2016.

Automotive spending in September was 24.8 percent higher than the previous September and third quarter spending was 28.6 higher than the same period last year and the second highest third quarter total on record, just behind the third quarter of 2014.

While September construction activity sank 31.8 percent compared to last September, third quarter activity was up 5.8 percent compared to a year ago and is up 19.5 percent so far this year compared to the first three quarters of 2016. Ingham noted that building permit activity remains well below "the extraordinary numbers recorded from 2012 to 2014, and in fact, the year-to-date total is down about 50 percent compared to the January-September permit valuations in the record year of 2013."

Housing — both new construction and existing homes — remain at record levels, he reported. Midland and Odessa issued 93 permits for new homes in September, up 16.3 percent from 80 last September. In the third quarter, the two cities issued 360 permits, up 31.4 percent from 274 last year. So far this year, the two cities have issued 1,087 new permits, up 38.5 percent from 785 in the first nine months of 2016 and the highest nine-month total on record.

Existing homes sales in the third quarter exceeded 1,100 for the first time and marked only the second time any quarterly total has exceeded 1,000 sales. There were 367 existing homes sold in September, up 34.4 percent from 273 last September, for an average of $271,562, a gain of 10.6 percent. In the third quarter, there were 1,107 homes sold, a gain of 26.5 percent, for an average $266,883, a gain of 6.7 percent.

To date this year, 3,098 homes have been sold, a gain of 28 percent and a record, for an average $260,453, a gain of 7.3 percent.

Dollars are also flowing into the Midland-Odessa economy through an uptick in travel, with hotel-motel tax collections jumping 51.8 percent and enplanements rising 4.9 percent in September over last September and 11.9 percent in the third quarter compared to last year's third quarter.

"Hopefully, 2017 will turn out to be the early stages of a long and sustained round of new economic growth and expansion in the Midland-Odessa economy," Ingham concluded.

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EYE ON DEVELOPMENT

City: sales tax collection in November jumps by 31.45 percent

The economy appears to be off to a hot start this fiscal year.

The city of Midland reported another large sales tax collection.

The $4.044 million collected this month is the second largest for a November and is 31.45 percent greater than the $3.076 million collected in November 2016. That is an increase of $967,558, according to the city of Midland.

The large increase follows a 41.71 percent increase in October and means that fiscal year 2018 is off to the second hottest start in the history of the city (trailing only fiscal year 2015).

The fiscal year-to-date total is $7.64 million.

This is the sixth-straight month of sales tax increases.

Sales tax collections

November 2017 $4.044 million
November 2016 3.076 million

Previous years

2015: $3.695 million
2014: $4.402 million
2013: $3.666 million

Source: city of Midland

Weir breaks ground in Midland this past week

By Trevor Hawes
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As Weir Oil and Gas held a groundbreaking ceremony inside a tent Thursday, earthmovers were already at work outside.

The oilfield services company is building a $30 million facility on a 20-acre portion of the David Mims Business Park near Schlumberger's Midland headquarters. Weir is consolidating its three Permian Basin service centers into a single service center in the city of Midland and will add about 100 employees in the process.

"Our investment, as a whole, will benefit our company and employees, the Permian Basin and the city of Midland," said Paul Coppinger, Weir Oil & Gas president. "It provides a fully integrated, one-stop shop for customers in the Permian Basin and a world-class working space for our employees. We are thankful for Midland's Economic Development Corp. in partnering with us to make this project a reality."

The Weir project is a feather in the cap for the MDC, an economic development group funded by the Type A quarter-cent sales tax.

Weir had plans to build a similar facility in Odessa, but after plans broke down with Odessa City Council, the MDC jumped in to pursue a deal with the oilfield services giant.

The MDC offered $1.8 million in incentives to be paid in equal installments over five years as Weir meets certain criteria, such as maintaining a payroll of at least $6 million.

Weir purchased the property at a cost of $20,000 per acre, which will be valued at $65,000 per acre on the tax rolls.

The Odessa Development Corp. had worked a deal with Weir to build a $25 million facility in return for a $1.5 million tax abatement. Odessa City Council nixed the deal at its May 4 meeting. At the same meeting, the council fired Odessa Development Corp. President Jimmy Breaux.

The Odessa American alleges Odessa City Council violated the Texas Open Meetings Act at the meeting and has since brought a lawsuit against the council.

In the months since, the OA has reported that City Councilman Malcolm Hamilton, who voted to cancel the Weir deal, works for a competitor. There also are efforts to hold a recall election for Councilwoman Barbara Graff, who also voted against the deal.

As for Midland, Mayor Jerry Morales said Thursday that the new Weir facility will be a remarkable addition to the city.

MDC Chairman Brent Hilliard said Midland needs to recognize what it is: an oil and gas community that exports billions of dollars of goods to the rest of the world.

He added that the Weir deal not only will add to the tax rolls and add more jobs, but will see infrastructure development such as water and sewer on the remaining 50 acres at David Mims Business Park, which will make the area more attractive to other companies.

Planning & Zoning denies pastor's request to erect portable building near home

By Trevor Hawes
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Several residents spoke in front of the Planning & Zoning Commission on Monday to voice their concerns about a property owned by First United Methodist Church, and the commission voted in their favor.

FUMC owns a home at 1401 Country Club Drive that is occupied by its pastor, the Rev. Steve Brooks, and his family.

Brooks sought a specific-use permit without term for an accessory building to be used for living or sleeping quarters.

The area is zoned for a single-family dwelling district (1F-1).

Brooks was looking to add a 504-square-foot prefabricated portable building to house his 71-year-old mother who lives in the Metroplex and is in poor health, he told the commission. The one-bedroom, one-bath building was planned to sit in the southeast portion of the property and was only to be accessible from the back yard. It would feature French doors, several windows and shutters.

Neighbors voiced many concerns.

Cheryl Shull Cotner said the house is "very high end" and that an out building would decrease everyone's property values and, thus, give the city fewer property tax dollars. "The city wouldn't want that," she said.

FUMC's house has a market value of $530,060, according to the Midland Central Appraisal District.

Howard Scott Davis said it was "inconceivable" that a skid-mounted, portable building be allowed in the neighborhood and added that he wouldn't oppose FUMC adding an addition to the house.

Brooks said many people in the neighborhood have storage sheds with the same look as the building he wanted to add to his property.

Thomas Beall voiced sentiments shared by others that according to city code only residents within 200 feet of a property are notified.

In this neighborhood, few properties are within that area, and Beall complained about the sign's placement, saying he almost missed it.

Commissioner Chase Gardaphe said the sign served its purpose because Beall saw it and ultimately attended the meeting.

Mark Branum told commissioners, "There's a right way to do this," noting that he was concerned with the "without term" clause in the request. Commissioners Reggie Lawrence and Brad Bullock each said they consider not what the building would look like in the beginning, but rather 10 to 15 years in the future.

Bullock said portable buildings generally don't age as well as site-built buildings over time. He also said he wasn't sure how to handle a specific time period for the request, given that it's feasible a future commission might recommend denial of the permit despite Brooks' mother still being alive.

Commissioner Terry Gammage said some older homes have guest homes, but the vast majority were site-built and likely were built at the same time the home was built.

He said the quality of construction for the portable building in the neighborhood falls short.

Ultimately, the commission voted 5-0 to deny Brooks' request.

Also on Monday, commissioners voted 5-0 to approve the Kent Cos. request for a zone change from mobile home dwelling district (MH) to local retail district (LR-2) at its property on the southwest corner of West Francis Avenue and Belmont Street, near Rankin Highway.

The Kent Cos. wants to build an Avis Lube and drive-thru car wash.

The vote was only for a zone change and not about site plans. The property ultimately will have to be replatted into a single lot.

Building permits

October 30-November 3

3325 W. Wadley Ave.	Commercial Addition
6301 Holiday Hill Road	Commercial Alteration
6401 Holiday Hill Road	Commercial Alteration
12200 Jordy Road	New Commercial
200 Spring Park Drive	New Commercial
6 Desta Drive	Commercial Alteration
1121 Andrews Highway	Commercial Alteration
3405 W. Wall St.	Commercial Alteration
3209 Roo Drive	Swimming Pool
5501 Grassland Blvd.	Swimming Pool
1700 Cessna Drive	Residential Addition
1510 Community Lane	Residential Alteration
6116 Valley View St.	New Residence
2103 Seaboard Ave.	New Residence
5501 Grassland Blvd.	Residential Addition
2507 W. Washington Ave.	Residence-Detached
912 Calumet St.	New Residence
4401 Casa Verde Court	New Residence
5303 George Yard Court	New Residence
5109 Binney Cove	New Residence
503 S. Carver St.	Residence-Detached
1108 E. Hamby Ave.	Residential Alteration
1203 Desert Rose Drive	New Residence
502 S. Dallas St.	Residence-Detached
6805 Lone Star Lane	New Residence
6803 Lone Star Lane	New Residence
6902 Saddle Court	New Residence
6907 Saddle Court	New Residence
6907 Lone Star Lane	New Residence
6910 Saddle Court	New Residence
6904 Saddle Court	New Residence
6906 Saddle Court	New Residence
6911 Saddle Court	New Residence
423 E. Oak Ave.	New Residence
6418 Chaps Lane	Residence-Detached
2609 Camarie Ave.	Residence-Detached
223 W. Wall St.	Sign

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Changing of the guard at Federal Reserve should be smooth transition

M. RAY PERRYMAN
The Economist

President Trump has nominated Jerome H. Powell to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, succeeding Janet Yellen when her term expires in February. The Federal Reserve Chairmanship is among the most powerful positions in the public sector (or, in fact, anywhere), due to its substantial influence over the US economy and, indeed, the fortunes of nations throughout the world. The Chair serves a four-year term and can then be reappointed. Contrary to the usual pattern, President Trump decided against nominating Janet Yellen for a second term, though he praised her efforts and results. This move was highly unusual, as the Chair is almost invariably reappointed by Presidents in their first term when the economy is doing well.

Jerome Powell has been a member of the Federal Reserve's Board of Governors since May 2012 and was originally nominated by former President Obama. His background is somewhat unique for the position in that he's a lawyer by training, rather than an economist. This certainly doesn't mean that he isn't fully prepared for the job, having obtained a wealth of experience and expertise since his college days and really digging in on the details since his original appointment to the Board.

In fact, Mr. Powell's broad range of experiences will be valuable in his position as Chairman (assuming he is confirmed by the Senate). He graduated from Princeton and continued his studies at Georgetown University, where he received a Juris Doctor. He has worked as an attorney and spent about 18 years as a successful investment banker. He was also Assistant Secretary and Undersecretary of the Treasury under President George H.W. Bush, a role which involves being responsible for financial institution policies and the Treasury debt market, among other areas. In addition, Mr. Powell has been a visiting scholar at the Bipartisan Policy Center in Washington, D.C., focusing on federal and state fiscal issues. He has also served on corporate boards and the boards of charitable and educational institutions.

Another important characteristic Mr. Powell possesses is his ability to communicate. The Federal Reserve Chair's every utterance is watched and analyzed, and a single phrase can literally make markets tremble (remember "irrational exuberance"?). He is also known as a consensus builder, which is an important attribute to have when trying to guide an entity as complex as the Federal Reserve. He is unlikely to dramatically alter the current course, which is another point in his favor since a major shift or uncertainty regarding Fed policy could do significant damage to the economy. He has been supportive of the gradual approach to normalizing monetary policy and the Federal Reserve balance sheet, which is the best option under current conditions.

In a statement he released upon his nomination, Mr. Powell noted that since the global financial crisis ended, the US economy has made substantial progress toward full recovery such as near full employment and inflation near the Fed's target. He went on to point out that the US financial system is stronger and more resilient than it was before the crisis, with banks having higher capital and liquidity as well as a greater understanding of the risks they face. I certainly agree.

The changing of the guard is expected to be accomplished with a minimum of disruption, which is crucial in order to avoid introducing undesirable uncertainty or otherwise jeopardizing the forward progress of the economy. Current Chair Janet Yellen expressed her congratulations to Powell on his nomination, stating that his "long and distinguished career has been marked by dedicated public service and seriousness of purpose." She also said that she is "committed to working with him to ensure a smooth transition."

Janet Yellen navigated challenging waters as she guided normalization of Fed policy, and I think we can all agree that she did so quite successfully. I am confident that she will handle the coming changes with the same calm competence.

Jerome Powell represents a solid choice for Federal Reserve Chair. He is likely to continue the course which has been set, gradually increasing interest rates and unwinding asset positions to normalize the Fed's balance sheet. His only significant departure from the past is a tendency to be supportive of less regulation. He may face challenges ranging from a downturn in the economy (since the current expansion is old by historical standards) to technology-driven changes in the payment system to the unknown elements of a sometimes chaotic world economy that is vulnerable to cyber threats and other disruptions. Jerome Powell is a steady hand for such times, is well up to the task, and would serve the nation well as Federal Reserve Chair.

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The gaping US trade gap: A sign of weakness? Not necessarily

By Paul Wiseman
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump ripped into one of his favorite targets Thursday in Beijing: The United States' "shockingly" large trade deficit with China.

"I blame past administrations," Trump declared. "for allowing this out-of-control deficit to take place and grow."

America's lopsided trade relationship with China and with the rest of the world is a familiar theme for Trump and his economic team. They've branded trade deficits a mark of economic weakness — even shame — that depress growth and kill jobs.

Yet most economists say their ire is misplaced. They reject the notion that trade is a zero-sum game in which victory goes to the countries that run a trade surplus by exporting more than they import.

"Focusing on the trade deficit as a sign of weakness is fundamentally flawed," says Bryan Riley, a trade analyst at the conservative Heritage Foundation. "If you look over history, there is no correlation between trade deficits and weak economy."

In fact, a swollen trade gap — which shows how much the value of imports exceeds the value of exports — can reflect economic might: When times are good, after all, consumers feel more prosperous and confident enough to spend freely — on imported goods as well as on home-grown goods.

Consider what happened in 2006, the year before the Great Recession began. The economy grew at a solid 2.7 percent. Yet that same year, the United States posted a record-high trade deficit: $762 billion.

By 2009, in the depths of the recession, the trade deficit had actually shrunk to $384 billion. The main reason: Fearful American consumers had reduced their spending on imports — and everything else.

Or look at Japan. That nation has long run trade surpluses even though its economy has lain stagnant for much of the past quarter-century.

One reason Americans spend so much on imports: A nearly limitless array of foreign products gives them a multitude of choices and lower prices. Last year, the United States ran a deficit of nearly $505 billion in goods and services with the rest of the world — including a $309 billion gap with China.

So far in 2017 through September, the U.S. trade deficit has widened by more than 9 percent over the same period last year.

That said, the flow of inexpensive imports into the United States can inflict pain on some areas of the country. Competition from China, for instance, has long punished the American Midwest and the textile-producing Southeast hard, wiping out hundreds of thousands of manufacturing jobs.

And trade deficits do reduce gross domestic product, the broadest measure of a nation's economic output. It's mainly a matter of mathematics: GDP counts only goods and services that are produced in the United States. So imports — which are counted as consumer spending when you buy, say, Swiss chocolates — are excluded from GDP to prevent them from artificially inflating U.S. production.

Trump argues that China, Mexico and some other countries exploit unfair trade deals to boost their exports to the United States and block imports. Many Democrats agree. So do most economists. China is notorious for subsidizing its exporters and pilfering other countries' trade secrets. China and some other countries have also in the past manipulated down the value of their currencies — a move that gives their exporters a price edge in foreign markets. (Most observers say China hasn't deliberately pushed down its currency for several years.)

But the main factor behind America's vast trade gap goes well beyond any country's bad behavior: The United States spends more than it saves.

This trend shows up as budget deficits in Washington and credit-card balances in American households. When you spend more than you produce, imports fill the gap.

Foreigners shouldn't be blamed, economists say, if Americans won't live within their means.

Trump has targeted, in particular, some of the sizable trade deficits that the United States runs with individual countries. His contentious push to renegotiate the North American Free Trade Agreement, for example, is meant to shrink America's trade shortfall with Mexico.

But economists say a country's trade deficit with individual countries is a pointless measure. It's natural for the United States to run surpluses with some countries and deficits with others. At a think tank event in Washington last month, Robert Zoellick, a former U.S. trade representative, quipped that he ran a deficit with his local supermarket.

Says Heritage's Riley: "To expect that we should have balance trade with every country in the world — that's never going to happen."

Trump, in China, opts against confrontation

By Jonathan Lemire
Associated Press

■ ANALYSIS

BEIJING — President Donald Trump pulled his punches.

On the home turf of the rising superpower he once declared was "raping" the United States on trade, Trump on Thursday abandoned his often-pugnacious posture.

He opted instead for public flattery and deference and chose to denounce past U.S. presidents for the economic imbalance. And while he urged China to do more to pressure North Korea to abandon its burgeoning nuclear weapons program, the vibe was more conciliatory than confrontational.

Trump, who made China's growing economic might a bogeymen during his presidential campaign, appeared set to deliver a face-to-face scolding of President Xi Jinping following an announcement of new business deals between U.S. and Chinese companies.

Standing just a few feet away from the Chinese president, Trump declared that the two nations "must immediately address the unfair trade practices" that drive the trade deficit, along with barriers to market access, forced technology transfers and intellectual property theft.

"But I don't blame China," Trump said to audible gasps from some of the business leaders and journalists from both countries in The Great Hall of the People.

"After all, who can blame a country for being able to take advantage of another country for the benefit of its citizens?" he asked, to cheers from some of the Chinese contingent. "I give China great credit."

Secretary of State Rex Tillerson said later that Trump's comment had been "a little bit tongue-in-cheek" but that it nonetheless carried "a lot of truth."

Either way, it was a far cry from Trump's inflammatory campaign rhetoric on China. Night after night at rallies across the country, he portrayed himself as a hard-nosed negotiator who would hold other countries accountable for disadvantaging American workers.

"We can't continue to allow China to rape our country and that's what they're doing," he said in Indiana in May 2016. "It's the greatest theft in the history of the world."

While Trump made clear that he wanted a more equitable trade relationship, he made no mention of previous campaign threats to label China a currency manipulator, impose double-digit tariffs or authorize draconian trade measures.

Trump took a similarly softer tack on rising tensions with North Korea, whose nuclear capability he has labeled "a threat to civilization."

Before arriving in Beijing, Trump had delivered a stern message to Xi, using an address in South Korea to call on China, North Korea's biggest trade partner, to do more to confront and isolate the renegade nation.

But Trump took a gentler tone here, thanking Xi for his efforts and saying he'd been encouraged by his conversations.

"China can fix this problem easily. And quickly. And I am calling on China and your great president to hopefully work on it very hard," he said.

Tillerson said that while the U.S. and China agreed on the objective in North Korea, the leaders' private talks explored questions over "tactics and the timing and how far to go with pressure."

While China is increasingly disenchanted with North Korea's nuclear weapons development, it remains wary of using its full economic leverage over its traditional ally. China fears triggering a collapse of the North's totalitarian regime that could cause an influx of refugees into northeastern China and culminate in a U.S.-allied unified Korea on its border.

Trump's softer approach can be read as a good strategy to coax more cooperation from the Chinese — or the absence of a coherent strategy.

"One of Trump's most successful campaign arguments was that China was taking our jobs and eating our lunch," said Andrew Nathan, political science professor at Columbia University. "But we're seeing that Trump doesn't really have a strategy when dealing with China."

Dennis Wilder, formerly the CIA's deputy assistant director for East Asia and the Pacific, said it could be a smart approach.

"I'm certain the president was far more candid and direct in private on trade and Korea. Establishing the personal ties has been important in U.S.-China relations ever since Mao (Zedong) and (Richard) Nixon," he said, referring to the landmark 1972 meeting in China that paved the way for normalization of relations between Washington and Beijing.

Bonnie Glaser, a China expert at the Center for Strategic and International Studies, said Trump's apparent strategy "is to flatter Xi and praise the Chinese people, hoping to build enough good will to produce positive outcomes down the road."

She was skeptical it would work, saying China would comply more fully with U.N. sanctions on North Korea, but is unlikely to cut crude oil supplies. Glaser was even less optimistic that China would address U.S. concerns on "predatory" trade practices. She predicted more U.S. cases against China at the World Trade Organization in the coming months, and revision of rules for national security screening of foreign investment by China and other nations in the U.S.

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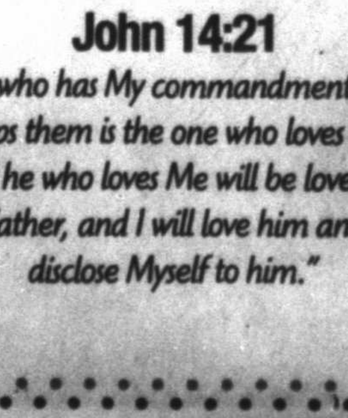

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John 14:21

"He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him."

GOP test: Expiring tax cuts would mean little bang for buck

By Josh Boak
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Senate Republicans have run into a problem with their proposed tax cuts: Under Senate rules, the cuts would expire after 10 years.

Problem is, most economists say temporary tax cuts would swell the national debt while doing little for economic growth. And without faster growth, few individuals would stand to benefit from the pay raises and job gains being promised by President Donald Trump and Republican congressional leaders.

"We have identified this consistently as one of the fundamental principles of tax reform," said Jared Walczak, a senior policy analyst at the conservative Tax Foundation. "Any time you build in a sunset, you're encouraging businesses to not make the long-term investments."

Businesses that are considering making investments that might span decades, for example, would need to know that the Republicans' proposed 20 percent corporate tax rate won't jump back up to the current 35 percent in a few years.

It is a theory rooted in the work of Milton Friedman, the Nobel Prize-winning economist who argued that individuals and businesses make economic decisions based on what they expect their net income to be over the long run.

And that expectation depends, in part, on tax rates.

Though Republican leaders accept this theory, they have yet to show that they could make their tax cuts last beyond 2027.

Enacting permanent tax cuts that that would raise the deficit after a 10 year-period would need 60 votes in the Senate.

So instead, Republicans intend to cut taxes with a simple majority that wouldn't require Democratic votes.

Within the 10-year period, its budget would allow the Senate to add up to $1.5 trillion to the national debt. Beyond 10 years, they couldn't add any debt. So the tax cuts would expire if not paid for.

Temporary tax cuts, Republican leaders concede, wouldn't achieve the key economic benefits that Trump has said would flow from their bill: Sustained annual economic growth above 3 percent and yearly income gains averaging of $4,000 per household.

"These reforms — these tax cuts — they need to be permanent," House Speaker Paul Ryan said in a speech last summer. "Every expert agrees that temporary reforms will only have a negligible impact on wages and economic growth. Businesses need to have confidence that we will not pull the rug out from under them."

But most economists say the tax cuts wouldn't pay for themselves. So making them permanent would entail further costs.

And a steady shortfall in tax revenue could force deep spending cuts to many popular programs involving college, housing or medical aid, among other areas.

Or it could require tax hikes. Or the debt could grow and potentially send interest rates up, thereby making it costlier for people to borrow to buy a home or car.

"We should have stability in our tax code, and this introduces instability in multiple ways," said Jason Furman, a professor at Harvard University and formerly the top economist for President Barack Obama.

The potential consequences of the Senate plan released Thursday are still being calculated.

But if the tax cuts in the House plan were made permanent, the national debt would surge by at least $6.3 trillion through 2040, according to an analysis by the Penn Wharton Budget Model.

This, in turn, could create an additional drag on the economy because a rising debt makes it harder to accelerate growth.

What lawmakers may or may not do to preserve the tax cuts is one of the unsettled and unsettling questions going into the Senate Finance Committee's work of the proposal this week.

"We are still working through some details on that," Republican Sen. Pat Toomey of Pennsylvania told reporters Thursday.

Congressional estimates project the yearly deficit from the tax cuts rising to nearly $220 billion in 2027.

Congress could cut all discretionary funding for the Education Department, the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Housing and Urban Development and still make it only about halfway toward covering the cost of the additional debt.

Toomey, a member of the Finance Committee, said his goal was to permanently set the corporate tax at 20 percent and establish an international system designed to tax business profits primarily within the United States rather than globally.

He said his preferred way of making the tax cuts permanent would involve scrapping the requirement in the 2010 health care law that Americans buy health insurance or face a tax penalty.

This is politically risky given that the Senate tried and failed this year to repeal and replace the health insurance law.

On Wednesday, the Congressional Budget Office estimated that eliminating the individual mandate would save $54 billion in 2027. But it would also deprive 13 million people of health insurance.

There's also the possibility that Republicans might not pass permanent tax cuts and force Congress years later — when many current members would be out of office — to address the problem.

House Republicans have already suggested that family tax credits set to expire in their proposal after five years won't actually sunset, because members will vote to renew them.

But keeping those credits in place would mean that the national debt would exceed the $1.5 trillion limit over 10 years.

Republicans would be betting that potential tax hikes would upset voters and the economy.

They saw this possibility play out during the 2013 "fiscal cliff" when tax cuts that had been enacted in 2001 and 2003 were set to expire.

So President Barack Obama signed a deal that essentially preserved many of the expiring tax cuts while returning some rates to higher levels.

"One of the lessons learned from fiscal cliff is that once these tax cuts are in place for 10 years, it's really hard to take them away," said Rohit Kumar, a former tax counsel to Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and now an executive at PwC. "Temporary is not really temporary unless you think the government is going to let the corporate tax rate and individual rates jump."

Wealthy homebuyers already figured out how to game the tax plan

By Rob Urban, Prashant Gopal
Bloomberg

Out in the Hamptons, Wall Street's favored beach resort on Long Island, brokers and buyers already have a workaround for a tax-plan provision under consideration in Congress that would take away the mortgage-interest deduction for second homes.

A client of Brown Harris Stevens broker Jessica von Hagn who works at a hedge fund decided to turn the vacation home he's buying into an investment property by setting up a limited liability company. That will allow him to deduct the interest and earn rental income at the height of the season from the modern home on Bridgehampton's Lumber Lane, with four bedrooms, three baths and a swimming pool on an acre of land.

For the buyer: problem solved. For the Hamptons market: more high-end vacation properties getting listed as rentals, more competition and, most likely, falling rents.

"If you aren't able to take advantage of the mortgage deduction for your second home, you'll see more people putting their homes on the market and the inventory will grow," von Hagn said. "There's only a certain number of renters every season and we just keep adding more and more inventory."

In second-home markets across the U.S., from Cape Cod in Massachusetts to Lake Tahoe, California, brokers are bracing for a hit. A House version of the tax plan, passed by the Ways and Means Committee on Thursday, cuts the mortgage-interest deduction on second homes, and on home-equity loans, which buyers sometimes take out on their primary residence to pay for a vacation property. The Senate's plan, details of which were released late Thursday, also does away with the home-equity deduction, but preserves the break for second-home mortgages.

Should the final bill eliminate the tax deduction for vacation properties, the workaround — acquiring the home as an investment property — changes the nature of the purchase for buyers, turning their vacation home into a business. Second-home buyers typically purchase properties within 200 miles of their primary residence, and 72 percent of them finance the purchase, according to the National Association of Realtors.

"It's a shift from favoring owners to favoring landlords," said Danielle Hale, chief economist for Realtor.com. "It adds rental inventory and reduces the time people spend at second homes potentially."

If markets are flooded with properties for lease, rents will fall and so will values for those homes, she said.

The main focus of the tax debate on real estate has so far centered on mortgage-interest deductions for primary residences. The Senate version of the plan would preserve the existing write-off for up to $1 million of debt, while the House would reduce it for new purchases to $500,000 of debt.

Even before any change is passed by Congress, the possibility that the second-home mortgage deduction will be gone is already changing the calculus for some buyers, said Timothy Bailey, a broker with John C. Ricotta & Associates Inc. in the affluent Cape Cod town of Chatham.

Bailey said an agent told him that one of her deals, for a $1.5 million vacation property, fell apart over the tax plan.

Tax split between House, Senate poses a big challenge

By Andrew Taylor and Marcy Gordon
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The House and Senate tax overhaul plans are broadly similar, but crucial differences are creating headaches for Republican leaders determined to keep myriad interest groups and factions of the GOP satisfied.

And then there's the ambitious timetable they've set of finishing in time to get legislation to President Donald Trump by Christmas.

The most politically challenging decisions involve dealing with popular and widely used tax deductions, structuring tax cuts for business and balancing personal income tax rates between middle-class families and the rich.

All of these decisions come against a generous — but firm — 10-year, $1.5 trillion cap on the measure's cost to the federal deficit. Both House and Senate have adopted accounting gimmicks to squeeze tax cuts that appear larger down to fit that restraint.

Trump's enormously expensive demand for a cut in the corporate tax rate to 20 percent — from the current 35 percent — is a big complication, as is unrest among House Republicans hailing from affluent suburban districts who are upset over the proposed loss of the deduction for state income taxes.

Here's a rundown on the major differences between the House and Senate bills:

Individual tax rates

The Senate measure keeps the current number of personal income tax brackets, seven, though it changes the rates to 10, 12, 22.5, 25, 32.5, 35 and 38.5 percent. That last top bracket for the wealthiest earners carries a higher rate of 39.6 percent under current law.

The House bill goes further toward simplifying the tax system. It shrinks the number of brackets from seven to four, with rates of 12, 25, 35 and 39.6 percent.

Lots of numbers here for congressional negotiators to play with, to move up or down.

The inheritance tax on multimillion dollar estates, called the estate tax, is an especially hot-button issue. Democrats point to the proposed GOP changes as proof that the Republicans are out to help wealthy people like Trump and his family.

Currently, when someone dies, the person inheriting the estate must pay taxes on its value above $5.5 million for individuals, $11 million for couples.

The House bill initially doubles those limits and then repeals the whole tax after 2023. The Senate version doubles those exemption amounts — but doesn't repeal the tax.

To repeal or not to repeal? That may be the class-warfare question.

Deductions

The Senate bill would eliminate a taxpayer's ability to deduct state income taxes and local property taxes. But the final bill may have to closely track a House compromise that provides a property tax deduction of up to $10,000 or else risk a revolt from GOP lawmakers from New York, New Jersey, and California.

The Senate bill preserves popular individual tax breaks for large medical expenses, mortgage interest, electric vehicles and college costs that were targeted by the House.

The House limits deductibility of mortgage interest to the first $500,000 of a loan, riling the real estate and housing industries, and eliminates a deduction for medical expenses that's often taken by families facing crippling nursing home costs.

Business

Both the House and Senate versions slash the tax rate for corporations to 20 percent from the current 35 percent. But there's a big twist: The Senate bill delays the rate cut for a year.

The delay was put in to reduce the bill's cost by $100 billion or so — but it's opposed by the White House and House Republicans. Wall Street hates it too. U.S. stock markets sold off Thursday in response to news of the proposed deferral, with industrial and technology stocks leading the decline, before recouping some of the losses by the close of trading.

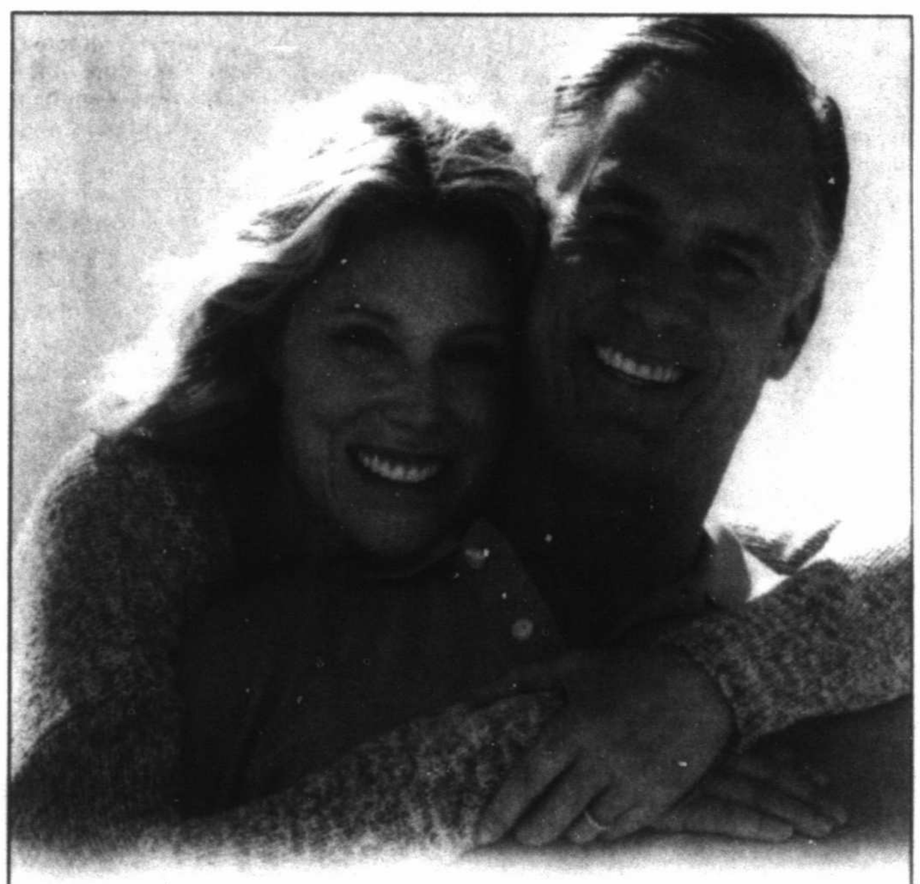
Might the implementation delay be traded for a smaller corporate tax cut, something above 20 percent?

Trump actually had been demanding 15 percent and reportedly was initially furious at the 20 percent figure. The issue is setting the corporate rate at a level that experts and tax writers believe would bring the U.S. closer to its overseas competitors.

The electric car industry — notably makers Tesla and Chevrolet — and producers of wind power for generating electricity are losers under the House bill. The tax credit of up to $7,500 for plug-in electric vehicles would be repealed, and the credit for wind energy would be reduced. But the Senate version retains the incentives.

The loss of tax credits for renewable energy would free billions to help pay for the corporate tax cuts in the legislation. But in addition to environmentalists' objections, the prospect also angers some Republican senators, including powerful Chuck Grassley of Iowa, who has vowed to defend the credit.

There's a special rate for businesses whose profits are counted in the owners' personal tax returns. Millions of U.S. businesses use this "pass-through" format. The House bill taxes many of them at a maximum 25 percent, down from 39.6 percent currently, and adds a lower minimum rate. The Senate version would set a new 17.4 percent deduction for "pass-through" income, aimed to help smaller businesses.



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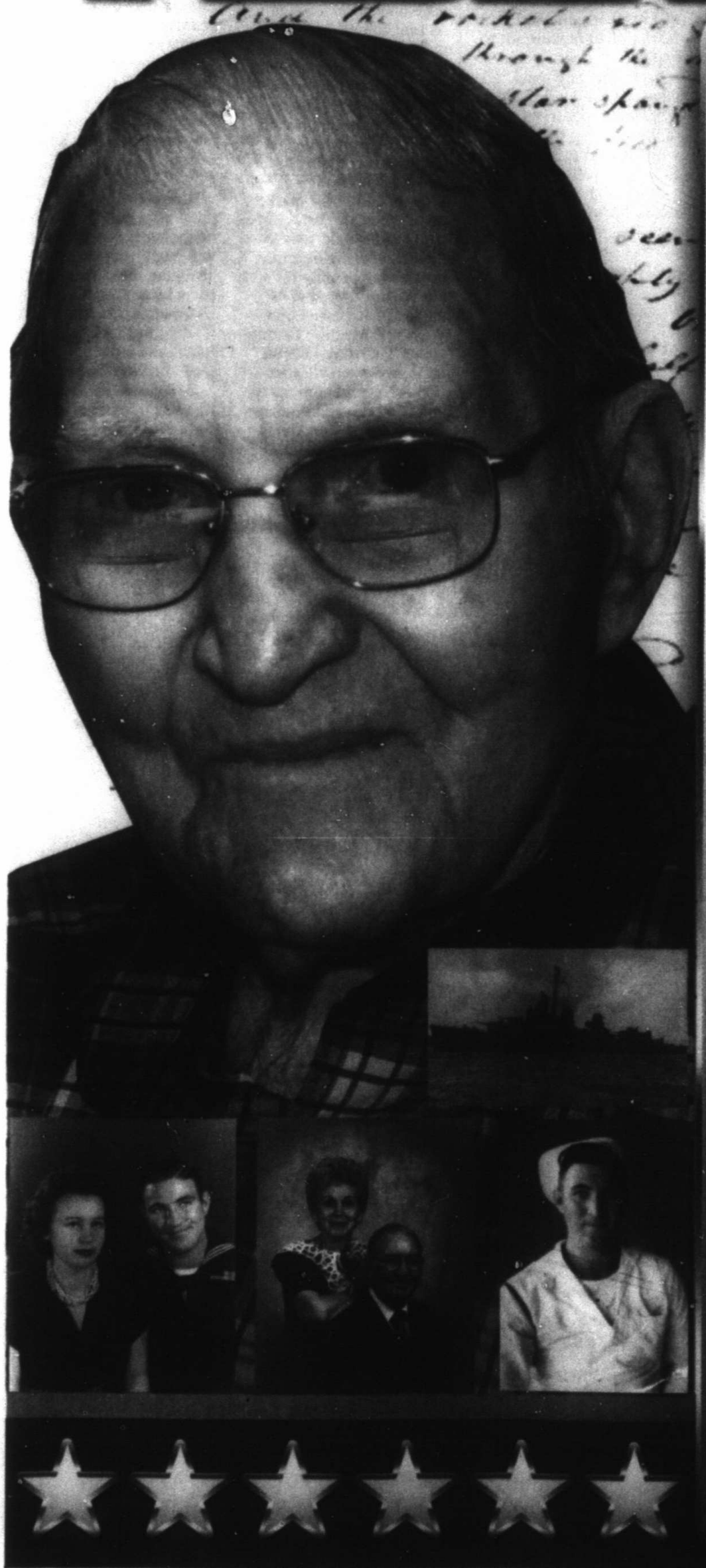

Life in the small town of Hitson, Texas during the Great Depression was difficult to say the least. It was especially difficult with such a large family to take care of, but Albert Hill's parents, Louis and Donnie Hill, always did their best and took good care of their family. They had six children. Albert's brothers were Tom, Thee and L.V. His sisters were Elizabeth and Mable. At 93, Albert is the only surviving sibling. He was a middle child, joining the family on December 14, 1924.

His father worked for cotton farmers around the Hitson area and it became a family affair. Everyone did their part. Each had a job to do, even the smallest of children. His mother helped pick cotton and took care of her family. Albert said he started picking cotton when he was just "a little bitty fella". They moved around quite a bit to follow the work. It was just something you had to do in those days.

Albert was drafted in 1943, at the tender age of 17. He explained that when you were drafted during WWII, you didn't have a choice of which branch you would serve in. They just went down the line.... Army, Navy, Marines. Albert was assigned to the US Navy. He had never even seen the ocean before, but luckily, never suffered a day from sea sickness.

He rode a train to boot camp in San Diego, California and spent 7 weeks there. After a short leave and just 6 weeks after returning to California for duty, Seaman 1st Class Albert Hill was assigned as a gunner to the USS Taylor, a Naval destroyer in the Destroyer Division 41. He served there from August 28, 1942 to September 2, 1945 under the direction of Commander B. J. (Benny) Katz. Albert said, "He was one swell Captain. He was one of them kind that took care of us."

The USS Taylor had its very own mascot, a white mutt named Subic (named for Subic Bay), that lived alongside the sailors. He was always on the front lines and they all loved that dog.

Albert received no training on how to be a gunner before he boarded the ship. He said, "Just got aboard and started shooting." When asked if he was a good shot, he replied, "No, not really. They would come in over the water. We had maybe a few minutes." They would look up and see those big planes coming towards them. He said, "They would catch us late of the evening just after dark. They came forward and we had to keep on, keep on, we'd finally knock one of them down. They would [illegible] and [illegible] at a time. I don't know how we done it, it was the good Lord helping us all over the Pacific, including the Philippines, New Guinea [illegible] Islands, Solomons [illegible] Japan. We [illegible] and [illegible] a lot of fighting around Okinawa. Albert's ship was [illegible] kamikaze planes. [illegible] without a ship, any, any nearly around a scratch. They sunk three submarines and received [illegible] for bravery. The USS Taylor was selected by Admiral Halsey to escort his flagship, the Missouri, into Tokyo Bay, for the Japanese surrender. The USS Taylor also transported correspondents to and from the Missouri for the surrender ceremony." (This information was obtained from Destroyer History Foundation.) It was the first ship to anchor in peace in Japanese coastal waters at the end of WWII.

Albert's proudest moment was being able to attend the signing of the peace treaty between the Americans and the Japanese onboard the USS Missouri and witnessing General Douglas MacArthur signing it. He was privileged to personally meet General MacArthur and shake his hand. He said, "He done a good job. We really liked him." He got to shake hands with all the other dignitaries in attendance as well, including the Japanese. Subic the Dog was there as part of the ceremony. Albert said, "He kept wanting to get aholt of that Japanese. He didn't like him. The Japanese had to cross our ship to get to it, and the dog, he kept wanting him and they'd keep him back. Anyhow, when we got ready for him, why, we had to send him across. That dog was right there. The Japanese guy was one legged. One leg is all he had. When he crossed the ship that dog got him on his wooden leg. He sure did."

Albert's wife Merle recalled, "They turned that dog loose after they did the peace signing. Well, the Captain said...ok...you've been with us and you've gone with us, you need a vacation. 4 days. You can stay 4 days. So that dog took off, you know, and he came back in 4 days." Albert said, "It was right on 4 days. He knew." He knew that ship was home.

Now that the war was over, it was time to go home. Albert said, "I was tickled!" when he got his orders to go home. There was a huge celebration on board the ship. They were given anything they wanted to eat. When they arrived back to the United States, they sailed up the Columbian River to Portland, Oregon. Everyone was thrilled to be back home.

Albert and Merle Jenkins had known each most of their lives. They went to grade school together at a little country school in Doyle, Texas, but were just friends. When she was a junior in high school, she saw Albert's sister in town and found out he was in the Navy and asked for his address. They started writing letters to each and their relationship blossomed. They finally became sweethearts. He hung her picture in his room and looked forward to returning home to her. They were married on November 10, 1945, shortly after he came home. When his leave was up, he had to return to California to finish out his time. Merle wasn't allowed to travel with him, but that didn't stop her. She said, "I had to go watch a man! Can you imagine a [illegible] wanting a girl? Right away [illegible] and [illegible] newly married [illegible] and [illegible] it [illegible]

Albert and Merle have been married for almost 73 years. Merle said, "We had to work hard to make a living, but not to keep our marriage together." They will celebrate their 73rd anniversary in just a few days. They are proof positive that young love can last a lifetime.

Albert wants anyone contemplating joining the military to know that it's quite an honor to serve your country. Merle replied, "He loves his country!" Albert is one of a kind. An American hero that fought long and hard for this great land. And is sincerely good and decent man with an enormous heart. Someone I am proud to have had the privilege to meet. Thank you for your service, Albert!

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Trump calls Putin sincere, ex-US intelligence heads 'hacks'

By Jonathan Lemire and Jill Colvin
Associated Press

HANOI, Vietnam — Days before returning home from a whirlwind trip to Asia, President Donald Trump was back on the defensive over Russian election meddling, saying he considers President Vladimir Putin's denials sincere, dismissing former U.S. intelligence officials as "political hacks" and accusing Democrats of trying to sabotage relations between the two countries.

Speaking to reporters aboard Air Force One, Trump said Russian President Vladimir Putin had again vehemently insisted — this time on the sidelines of an economic summit in Vietnam — that Moscow had not interfered in the 2016 U.S. elections. Trump declined to say whether he believed Putin, but he made clear he wasn't interested in dwelling on the issue.

"He said he absolutely did not meddle in our election. He did not do what they are saying he did," Trump said as he traveled to Hanoi, the second-to-last stop of his Asia trip.

"Every time he sees me, he said: 'I didn't do that.' And I believe — I really believe — that when he tells me that, he means it," Trump said. He called the accusation an "artificial barrier" erected by Democrats — once again casting doubt on the U.S. intelligence community's conclusion that Russia tried to interfere in the election to help the Republican Trump beat Democrat Hillary Clinton.

In a tweet sent Sunday from Hanoi, Trump bashed the "haters and fools" he said are questioning his efforts to improve relations with Russia and accused critics of "playing politics" and hurting the country.

Trump traveled to Hanoi for a brief state visit. He was due in the Philippines later Sunday for a pair of summits that will close out his trip.

Trump and Putin did not have a formal meeting while they were in Vietnam for the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit, but the two spoke informally several times and reached an agreement on a number of principles for the future of war-torn Syria.

Trump made clear that the issue of Russian meddling in the election hovers over the leaders' relationship and said it jeopardized their ability to work together on issues including North Korea's escalating nuclear program and the deadly conflict in Syria.

"Having a good relationship with Russia's a great, great thing. And this artificial Democratic hit job gets in the way," Trump told reporters. "People will die because of it."

Trump danced around the question of whether he believed Putin's denials, telling reporters that pressing the issue would have accomplished little.

"Well, look, I can't stand there and argue with him," Trump said. "I'd rather have him get out of Syria, to be honest with you. I'd rather have him, you know, work with him on the Ukraine than standing and arguing about whether or not — 'cause that whole thing was set up by the Democrats."

Multiple U.S. intelligence agencies have concluded that Moscow meddled in the 2016 election to try to help Trump win. But Trump called the former heads of those agencies "political hacks" and argued there's plenty of reason to be suspicious of their findings.

The comments made clear that Trump still does not take the meddling seriously and sees little benefit in punishing a nation accused of undermining the most fundamental tenet of American democracy: free and fair elections. They also suggest that Trump is unlikely to work aggressively to try to prevent future meddling despite repeated warnings from senior intelligence officials that Russia is likely to try to interfere again.

Meanwhile, a special counsel investigation of potential collusion between Moscow and Trump campaign aides so far has resulted in two indictments for financial and other crimes unrelated to the campaign, as well as a guilty plea. Congressional committees have also been interviewing campaign and White House staff.

"Trump really raised the topic of so-called interference in US elections," Putin's spokesman, Dmitry Peskov, was quoted by Russian news agencies as telling reporters. "Putin categorically rejected even the hypothetical possibility that Russia could have in some way interfered in the U.S. electoral process."

Earlier Saturday, the Kremlin issued a statement saying the leaders had reached agreement on a number of principles for the future of civil war-torn Syria now that the Islamic State group has largely been pushed out. Among the agreements' key points, according to the Russians, were an affirmation of de-escalation zones, a system to prevent dangerous incidents between American and Russian forces, and a commitment to a peaceful solution governed by a Geneva peace process.

The Kremlin quickly promoted the agreement as the White House stayed silent. Trump told reporters that the deal was reached "very quickly" and that it would save "tremendous numbers of lives." And he praised his relationship with Putin, saying the two "seem to have a very good feeling for each other and a good relationship, considering we don't know each other well."

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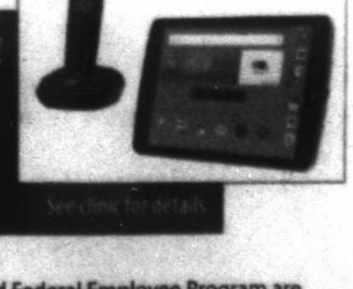

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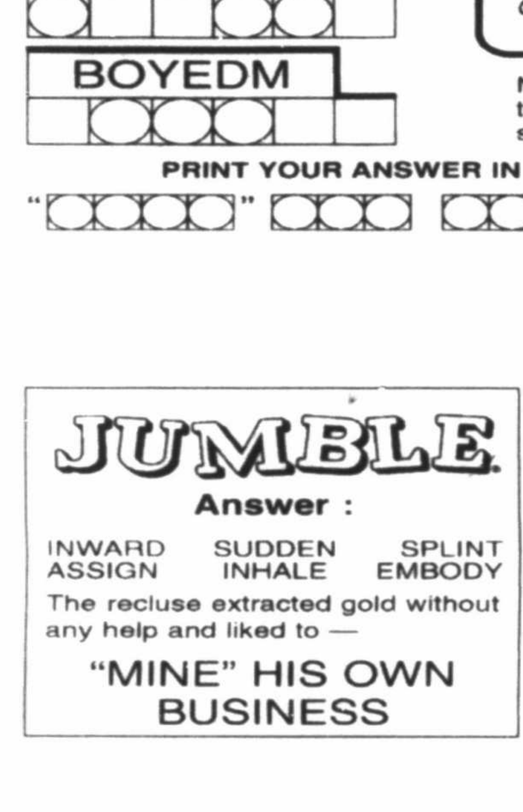

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9. Moist	MADP
11. Glutinous substance	LEGNITA
12. "Enough ___!"	RLDAYAE

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
2. Requiring	DENGEIN
3. Thought	DAIE
4. Producing crops	RANFGIM
5. Eden denizen	RESTENP
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Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

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ACROSS

1 Ball stars
5 Baseball's Hammerin' Hank
10 Latin foot
13 Cline portrayer in "Sweet Dreams"
18 It comes from the head
19 Bunkum
20 Meter preceder
22 Thrown for __
23 Traffic jam?
26 __ Rossi: Gallo brand
27 View from Anchorage
28 What may be intended by inadvertent wordplay?
29 Theater giant?
30 Verdi's "Un __ in maschera"
33 Serve leftover rolls?
37 "__ news?"
38 "It's Only a Paper Moon" composer
39 Watch
40 Bay Area county
42 Dispute over young flowers?
47 Below average
51 Rescue squad initials
52 "What should __?" dieter's quandary
53 Totally lost
54 Boating implements
55 Goose cooked in its own fat, say
57 Takes another tack
58 Night in Nantes
59 Last part?
62 Low areas
63 Hawaiian non-natives
64 "__ any drop to drink": Coleridge
65 Grammarians' concerns
67 Strong sharks
68 Coin-making tool?
72 Words before "of rules"
73 Beaded counters
75 Sealy alternatives
76 Ma playing music
77 Bell sounds
78 Traveler's option
79 Filing tool
82 Some travelers put them on in winter
84 Mediocre deli item?
87 "__ Gold" Fonda film
88 Green Giant org.
90 Letter-shaped 95-Down opening
91 Birdie plus one
93 Mallard's beard?
99 Agreements
100 Some dadaist art
102 Fear-inducing
103 Not acceptable
105 Made level, with "up"
107 Pair of vehicles in a plot?
112 Vanzetti's partner
113 Price-slashing event
114 Eight-related
115 Island near Corsica
116 Westernmost Canadian territory
117 Confident ending?
118 Italian's "That'll do!"
119 Similar

DOWN

1 Darken
2 School URL ending
3 Garden area
4 Like polo ponies
5 Davidson College's NCAA conference, for most sports
6 Like a crowd in full voice
7 Go through hastily, as drawers
8 Vision-related
9 Bk. after Ezra
10 Prisoner's reward
11 Take off to get hitched
12 Outfielder Rusty who played for four different expansion teams
13 Place to swim, in Paris
14 Jai
15 Viking descendant on a rampage?
16 __ Heights: disputed Mideast region
17 Powerful adhesive
21 SSA-issued info
24 Actress Téa
25 Suffix with consist
30 5-Across broke his record, with "The"
31 Lily family member
32 Honorary law degs.
34 "You bet __ boots!"
35 Grandmas
36 Welcome sign for concert promoters
41 Early metalworking period
43 Sorrowful mother of legend
44 Group of related species
45 Float on the breeze
46 Having a spat
47 WWII firearm
48 Broken in
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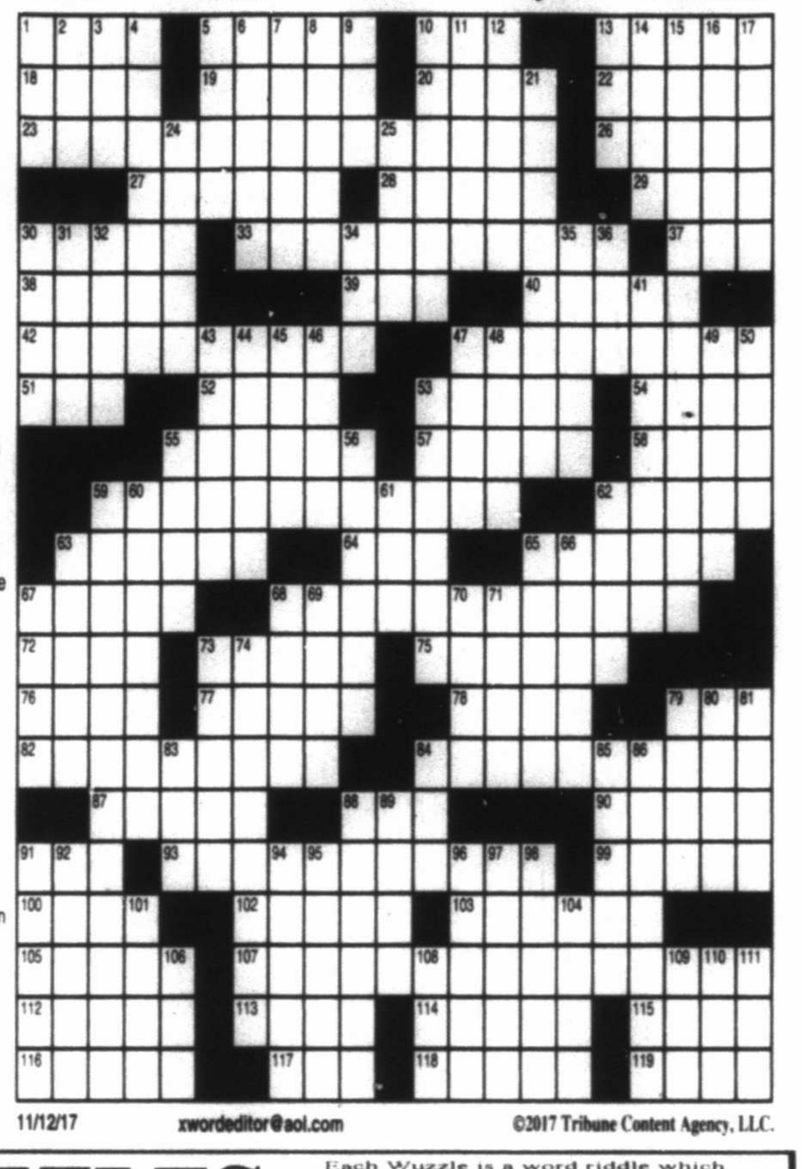

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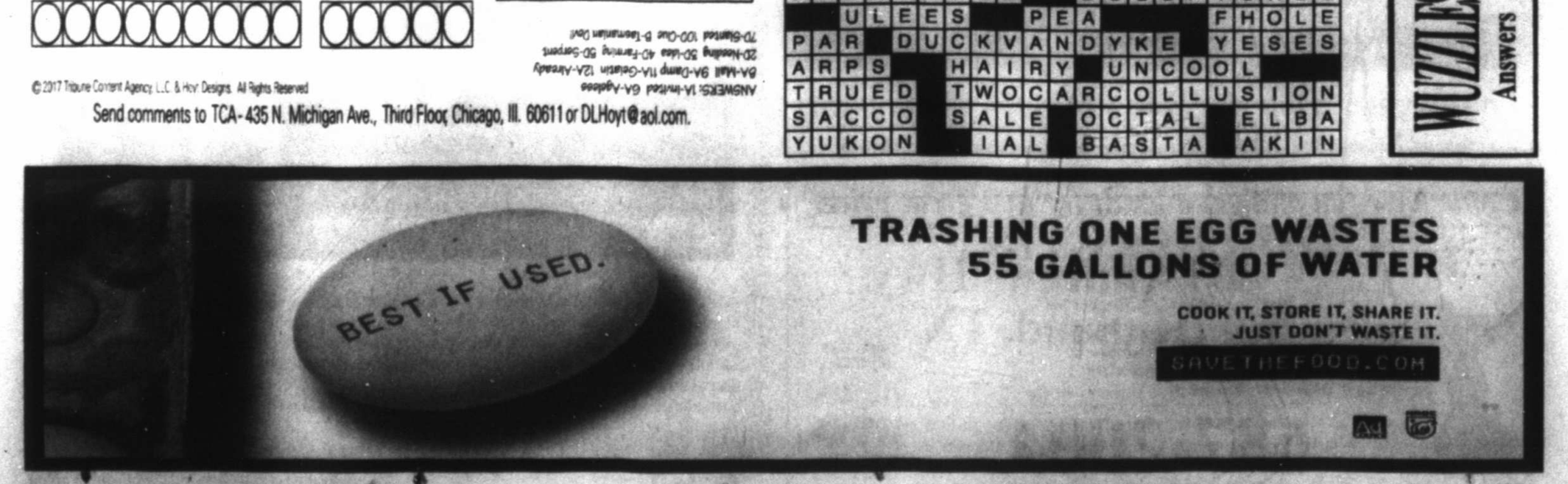


Black Friday deals creep ever earlier

By Abha Bhattarai
The Washington Post

Thanksgiving is still nearly two weeks away, but Black Friday has already begun — at least for some retailers.

Best Buy on Wednesday began offering "Black Friday" discounts on hundreds of items, including big-screen TVs, Apple Watches and tablets. Walmart followed a day later, with $6 pajamas and $998 Samsung TVs. Amazon.com, meanwhile, started its "Countdown to Black Friday" on Nov. 1, offering dozens of new deals each day. (Jeff Bezos, the founder and chief executive of Amazon, owns The Washington Post.)

In an ever-frenzied race to win over shoppers — and their money — retailers are trying to fast- forward to what has historically been the year's largest shopping day. Over the past decade, big-box chains have slowly moved up doorbuster discounts — from Black Friday (the day after Thanksgiving), to the Thanksgiving holiday itself, and now even earlier, as they try to lock in sales during the crucial fourth quarter, which can account for up to 40 percent of a retailer's annual revenue.

"No matter how you look at it, Black Friday has already begun," said Sarah Engel, chief marketing officer at retail analytics firm DynamicAction. "As soon as the calendar turned to Nov. 1, our inboxes were full of promotions and discounts."

In-store doorbusters are shifting earlier, too. J.C. Penney plans to open its stores at 2 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day, while Toys R Us, Best Buy and Kohl's will follow three hours later. Walmart and Target are planning to open at 6 p.m.

Walmart this year is doing away with its "rolling" in-store discounts, aimed at getting customers to come into its stores multiple times on Thanksgiving and Black Friday. Instead, the retailer will make all of its Black Friday deals available online beginning at 12:01 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day. Those same discounts, executives said, will be available at the company's stores beginning at 6 p.m. that day.

"No rolling deals" this year, Steve Bratspies, chief merchandising officer for Walmart U.S., said in a media call Wednesday. "It's kind of one event."

As the country's biggest retailers shift their focus to earlier in November, others are following out of fear of being left behind. After all, Engel said, a customer isn't likely to need more than one big-screen TV or tablet. If they pick up big-ticket items in early November, they probably won't be looking to shell out again on Black Friday, regardless of how deep the discounts are.

The earlier discounts, Engel said, could also create challenges down the line for retailers. (More than 40 percent of Americans have already started their holiday shopping by Nov. 1, according to the National Retail Federation.)

"If everything is already 40 percent off, it's going to take a lot more to get shoppers excited about Thanksgiving, Black Friday and Cyber Monday," the traditional start of holiday shopping online, she said. "How do you convince them to keep buying?"

The earlier-than-usual Internet sales also serve another purpose: helping retailers test-drive their websites ahead of the frenzied rush on Black Friday and Cyber Monday. Now, this year's Black Friday is expected to be the busiest online shopping day in history, according to recent data by Salesforce.

"If your system goes down for even five minutes on Black Friday, it's millions of lost dollars," said Roland Gossage, chief executive of GroupBy, an e-commerce platform used by retailers such as CVS, Urban Outfitters and the Container Store. "Pre-sales allow retailers to test their systems before the after-Thanksgiving barrage."

Bob Costas says football's future is grim: 'This game destroys people's brains'

By Kyle Swenson
The Washington Post

Football's explosive image problem found an unlikely spokesman last week.

Bob Costas, the NBC sportscaster who has long narrated gridiron exploits for millions from the press box, put the National Football League's future place in the American landscape in stark terms on Tuesday night as he sat on a University of Maryland panel.

"The issue that is most substantial, the existential issue, is the nature of football itself," Costas told the crowd. "The reality is that this game destroys people's brains."

Costas shared the stage in College Park with other well-known names from the sports world, including USA Today's Christine Brennan and ESPN personalities Michael Wilbon and Tony Kornheiser, according to USA Today.

The panel, part of the university's annual Shirley Povich Symposium, began with the moderator asking the journalists about the biggest stories in sports.

Costas pulled no punches, diving directly into chronic traumatic encephalopathy (CTE), the long-term degenerative condition afflicting numerous football stars due to chronic, repeated and untreated concussions.

"You cannot change the basic nature of the game," Costas said. "I certainly would not let, if I had an athletically gifted 12- or 13-year-old son, I would not let him play football."

CTE is just one of the many storms battering the league.

The season has been a constant argument over players' right to kneel during the national anthem in protest; the league and owners have responded with ambivalence, stoking further headlines and controversy and drawing ire from President Donald Trump.

This follows public outrage over the league's soft-pedaling of domestic abuse by players.

Television ratings are also down: the first week of the 2017 season saw an 11.8 percent drop from 2016, the New York Post reported. The viewership has yet to match last year's numbers.

But CTE, as Costas pointed out, isn't just a scandal sweeping through the league — it calls into question the very basics of the game.

A neurodegenerative brain disease caused by repeated head traumas, the condition results from an abnormal buildup of protein in the brain that blocks neuropathways.

Memory loss, aggression, depression, and suicidal urges have all been linked to the condition.

Since CTE was first tracked in the early 2000s by Pennsylvania coroner Bennet Omalu, the league has begrudgingly moved forward with stronger concussion protocols for injured players.

Earlier this year, the league signed a $1 billion settlement with former players suffering neurocognitive disorders related to their playing days.

The science behind the condition, however, has only grown.

This summer researchers from the Boston University School of Medicine and the VA Boston Healthcare System published a study finding CTE in 99 percent of the brains of former NFL players donated by their families, The Washington Post reported in July.

A Post poll published in September showed that 83 percent of fans believed it was "certainly true" or "probably true" that CTE was the result of the game.

This past week at the panel, Costas saved his harshest words for the white noise that obfuscates the basic scientific facts about football's physical threat.

"There is this crazy notion that you hear on talk radio and some right wings sites that this is just another left wing conspiracy to undermine something that is quintessentially American," he said. "There's a word for things like that, there's many words. One of them is b---, because that's what that is."

Despite a long tenure in front of American viewers, Costas has not been shy about his opinions in the past.

In 2012, the anchor was at the helm of a "Sunday Night Football" broadcast only days after Kansas City Chiefs linebacker Jovan Belcher killed his girlfriend and took his own life.

During halftime, Costas made a comment that many took to be a call for gun control, and a storm of criticism followed.

Facebook's first president, on Facebook: 'God only knows what it's doing to our children's brains'

By Ellie Silverman
The Washington Post

The Facebook founders purposefully created something addictive, the social network's first president told Axios in an interview.

"God only knows what it's doing to our children's brains," Sean Parker said in the interview published Thursday.

With each like and comment, Facebook is "exploiting" human psychology on purpose to keep users hooked on a "social-validation feedback loop," Parker said, adding that it is "exactly the kind of thing that a hacker like myself would come up with."

Parker, the billionaire Napster co-founder who later served as Facebook's founding president, made the comments at an Axios event at the National Constitution Center in Philadelphia. Speaking to Axios' Mike Allen, Parker called himself "something of a conscientious objector."

"I don't know if I really understood the consequences of what I was saying, because [of] the unintended consequences of a network when it grows to a billion or 2 billion people and ... it literally changes your relationship with society, with each other. ... It probably interferes with productivity in weird ways," Parker said.

When helping Facebook get off the ground in 2004, Parker said, he and others involved in the nascent social network thought: "How do we consume as much of your time and conscious attention as possible?"

"And that means that we need to sort of give you a little dopamine hit every once in a while, because someone liked or commented on a photo or a post or whatever. And that's going to get you to contribute more content, and that's going to get you ... more likes and comments."

Although Facebook is a social networking site, it also has immense impact as an advertising platform and news distributor, reaching 2 billion people each month.

The company has made headlines recently with revelations that it sold ads during the U.S. presidential campaign to a Russian firm tied to pro-Kremlin propaganda.

The more than 3,000 Russian-bought ads sought to influence different voters based on their political and demographic characteristics, The Washington Post reported.

In a blog post, Facebook's chief security officer Alex Stamos wrote that "we will continue to invest in our people and technology to help provide a safe place for civic discourse and meaningful connections on Facebook."

As criticism increased after revelations of Russia's use of the platform to spread "fake news" and influence voters, Facebook co-founder Mark Zuckerberg apologized.

In the apology post, Zuckerberg did not mention Russia specifically.

"For those I hurt this year, I ask forgiveness and I will try to be better," he wrote in a brief post published at the end of Yom Kippur, the holiest day of the year for Jewish people. "For the ways my work was used to divide people rather than bring us together, I ask for forgiveness and I will work to do better."

According to Axios, Parker joked that Zuckerberg would block him on Facebook after reading what he said in the interview.

With a new trilogy in the works, 'Star Wars' has defeated 'Star Trek' for decades

By Michael Cavna
The Washington Post

For four decades, "'Star Trek' or 'Star Wars'?" has been one of pop culture's most consistent binary conversation starters among nerds, right up there with "Marvel or DC?" and "CD or vinyl?"

The thing is, shortly before 2015, you could reasonably argue that "Star Trek" had gained the upper hand as a cultural force, thanks to J.J. Abrams's hit reboot of the film franchise coming on top of the more recent television successes.

But now, three years after Abrams took his rebooting powers to Disney/Lucasfilm and scored huge with "The Force Awakens," "Star Wars" has surged further ahead and gained a lead that now might be insurmountable for generations.

Game over, "Star Wars." Thanks to Disney's new deal, you just won.

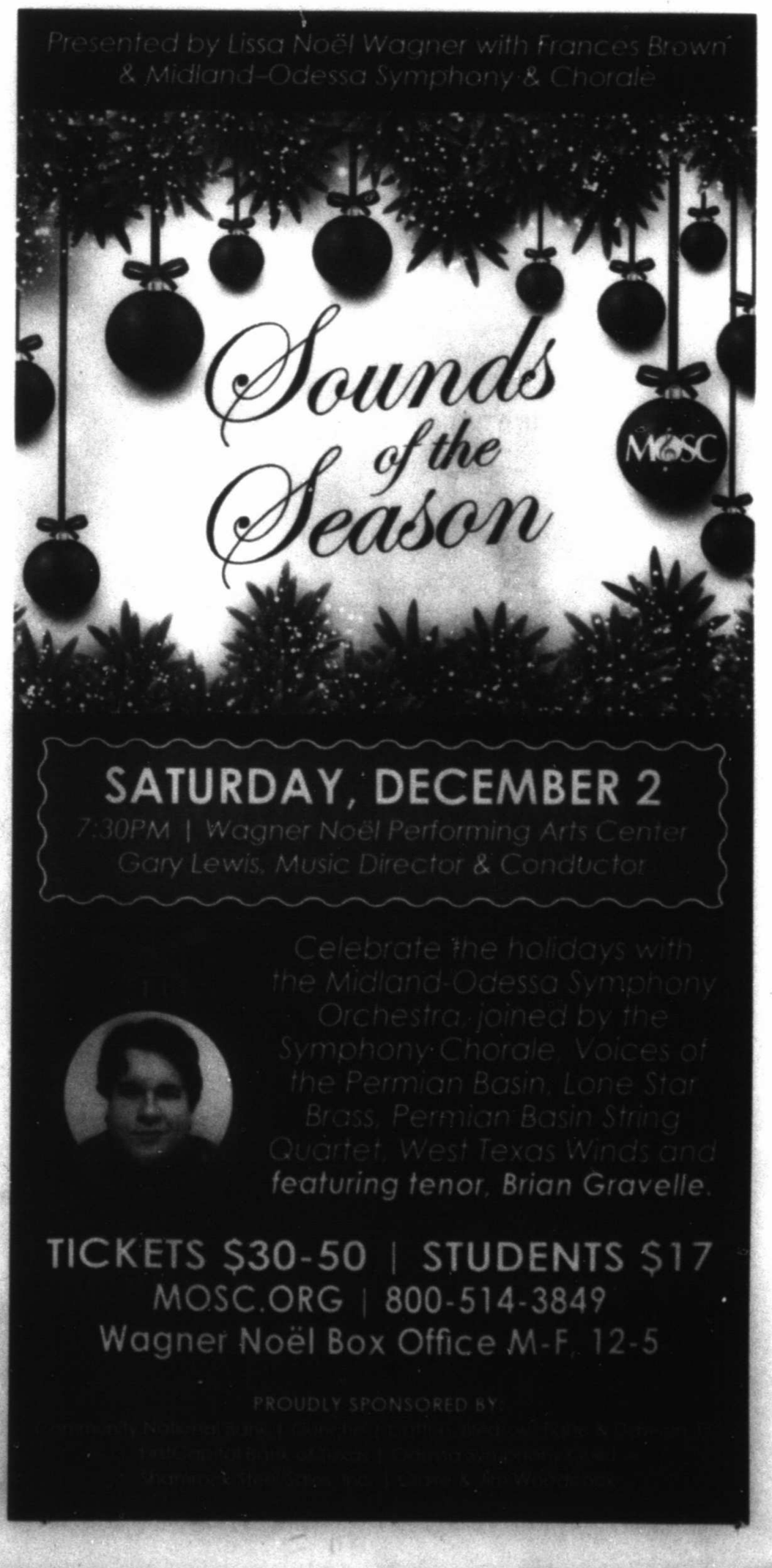
Disney and Lucasfilm announced Thursday that they will embark on a fourth "Star Wars" trilogy, with "The Last Jedi" director Rian Johnson at the helm. Not only does that move plot a course for unbroken "Star Wars" momentum on the big screen — as creator George Lucas's critically drubbed second trilogy disappears even further in the rearview mirror — it also sets up the perpetual relevance of Everything Else "Star Wars" for many years to come.

The franchise, in effect, becomes a cultural steamroller altering what millions of people — some of them not yet born — see and hear and visit.

Consider the newly announced original "Star Wars" TV series that Disney will feature on its entertainment streaming service, which is set to go live in 2019.

Consider, too, that come that same year, Anaheim's Disneyland and Disney's Hollywood Studios in Florida will open "Star Wars"-themed areas, as well as an "immersive" "Star Wars"-themed hotel at Walt Disney World that will encourage cosplay. (Even Lucas' coming graphic-narrative museum in Southern California will be a fan destination that features "Star Wars" art.)

As Disney moves forward on all these fronts, it bears noting that "Star Wars" also appears poised to move beyond the Skywalker family line that has anchored the films for four decades, from Darth Vader through Kylo Ren. The Rian Johnson announcement signals the fourth trilogy will move beyond Lucas' narrative DNA, perhaps shedding weighty backstory like a junked Millennium Falcon.



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3 of 4 Year 1 projects are already 'shovel-ready'

From staff reports

Jose Ortiz, City of Midland Engineering Services director, said utility work on road projects made possible the passage of a $100 million road bond will begin this fall.

He also said pavement work will follow in the spring and summer.

Ortiz, in a question-and-answer with the Reporter-Telegram, called three of the four first-year projects "shovel-ready" and that the other project is in a design phase.

Midlanders approved the road bond this past Tuesday. The lopsided victory will provide the city the funding for 26 projects over the next five years.

Ortiz sat down with the Reporter-Telegram after election night.

MRT: What was the statement made by Midland voters on election night?

ORTIZ: Midland voters told us they want to see road and utility improvements. Now, it's the city's job to go out and make those improvements happen.

MRT: What percentage of failing roads will be replaced with the $100 million?

ORTIZ: The bond funding will be devoted to replacing pavement and utility lines in approximately 20 percent of failing collector and arterial roadways. These are the major thoroughfares that receive the most vehicle traffic. As opposed to residential streets, these are the roadways used by the greatest proportion of Midlanders. Because of the heavy traffic they handle, these roadways are also the most expensive to work on. (The pavement to be removed and replaced is thicker). However, by focusing on the areas outlined in the plan, we can improve driving conditions for the greatest number of people.

Of the $100 million, 60 percent will cover the cost of removal and repaving, 24.4 percent will be devoted to utility line replacement, 5.2 percent to engineering costs, and 10.4 percent will be devoted to Americans with Disabilities (ADA) compliance modifications. (We are required by state and federal law to become ADA compliant when construction costs exceed a certain threshold).

In addition to work funded by the road bond, the city has budgeted $7 million in our current fiscal year (fiscal year 2017-18) for road maintenance to treat and preserve local and residential roads through mill and inlay, hot-in-place, mastic seal and other treatments.

MRT: What is the projected cost of replacing the other roads that are considered unrepairable, according to the pavement

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COUNTY LAND DEALS

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Sherri Merket, Midland County Republican Party chair, signs up Robin Donnelly for the primary election, Nov. 11, 2017, at the Midland County Republican headquarters.

Building A provided opportunity for MDC, Midland

ROBIN DONNELLY
Midland County commissioner

On Nov. 1, the Reporter-Telegram Editorial Board made reference to what a bad deal Building A of Entrada Business Park was for MDC. I feel, that like the TV show "Connections," they are missing some important facts.

First, in the early 2000s, there was no inventory of buildings, and particularly ones that met the Business Locators requirements such as door heights and floor space. The MDC, which was part of the Chamber of Commerce at the time, received many inquiries that met the requirements for an existing building with modern dimensions and quick occupancy. Thus, Building A was conceived and built but not finished out. Many prospects came to view the building but found that the covenants on the deed too restrictive and the location did not meet their goal. But this is the marketing of business locations; you must have a something that will fit the prospect's expectations. A similar problem was inherent with the MDC acreage along the north service road of I-20 just east of County Road 1250. There, the problem was no near access to I-20 and only minimal city services, so the land languished.

But leap forward. When Pro-Terminal Operators LLC saw an existing fuel terminal at the airport, they decided it would be a good move to acquire the property and reactivate the terminal. Bob Garst, a longtime member of the Airport Advisory Board, would have been thrilled to rid the airport of the eyesore of those rusting tanks. In 2103, MDC stepped in and created a deal for the existing owner to exchange this property for Building A. This brought in new business, Pro-Terminal Operators, to our city. The tanks have been painted and they are putting the terminal into operation (I just wish Bob was here to see it). So, without the building and a willing owner to exchange for the property, Pro-Terminal may not have come to our city.

Similar was the tract of land along I-20. We lucked out when Odessa decided not to support a new business in its community that was within the city limits of Odessa but in Midland County. Midland County even gave a tax abatement to assist Odessa in recruiting this company. When that did not work out, Weir Oil and Gas picked the MDC land along the I-20 service road for their 92,000 square-foot support center slated to cost $30 million. Without that land, the company may have been lost to Oklahoma.

I don't disagree that measures should have been in place like the claw-back of the incentives or allocation of incentives after requirements have been met. But I don't think MDC should be called out

Please see **DONNELLY**/3B

MELANIE NICHOLAS
Columnist

Mom ... why is there so much smoke in the kitchen?

The best thing about losing weight is that now I can shop at Sam's Club for my clothes like the rest of you do. And it is glorious. Dresses for $8. Yoga pants and hoodies for $14. And sweet, soft Cuddle Duds for $12.86. Because the flip side of losing weight is that I am cold. All the time. And those silky Cuddle Duds are a base layer, people. As in I can wear them under my clothes, around the house or even to sleep in.

Little Son had requested roast chicken and baked macaroni and cheese for dinner. I could hardly wait to wash my new Cuddle Duds. I wanted to put them on, open a bottle of wine and do my best Nigella Lawson impersonation.

The Hubs and my son were at jiu-jitsu practice, and it was dark and cold. Perfect weather for comfort food. I changed into my still-warm-from-the-dryer Cuddle Duds and poured a glass of wine. I turned on the oven and sat down at the kitchen table to check my recipes one more time.

"Mom. Is something on fire?" Bodacious has a really good sense of smell. She can sniff out peanut butter at 50 feet.

Me, still checking my instructions. "No. I don't think so."

"Then why is there so much smoke in the kitchen?"

I looked up to see a cloud of gray smoke, filling the kitchen in front of the oven.

Oh, no! Had I accidentally melted something by the stove? I walked over to the stove top, to check that nothing was there to burn, like a bread bag or an errant Halloween candy wrapper. That's when I noticed that smoke was pouring out of my oven and it looked like a fireplace, all lit up like Christmas Eve through the black glass.

My stove is gas and it scares the dickens out of me. I saw the movie "Backdraft" in the '90's and decided against opening the oven door.

Please see **NICHOLAS**/2B

End of downturn doesn't signal another boom

CHRIS TOMLINSON
Houston Chronicle

Congratulations, Houston, another oil bust has ended. Just don't count on another boom.

Oil markets have finally stabilized at prices where companies can make money.

U.S. crude inventory dropped 2.4 million barrels last week to 454.9 million barrels, marking the fifth decline in six weeks. Gasoline stocks dropped 4 million barrels, while diesel and other distillates dropped 400,000 barrels.

The Brent oil futures market, where oil companies and speculators bet on international oil prices, is signaling that oil supply is tightening. The West Texas Intermediate futures market, which prices U.S. oil, is on the verge of flipping, too, as stockpiles revert to five-year averages.

Folks in the oil patch should send thank-you notes to the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries, specifically Saudi Arabia. The cartel's de facto leader convinced national oil companies around the world to take 1.5 million barrels a day off the market to reduce the surplus created by U.S. shale oil drillers.

OPEC oil ministers set $60 a barrel as their goal, and markets sustained that price last week. If OPEC votes to maintain the current production quotas when ministers meet Nov. 30, prices will likely hover around that level, barring any geopolitical turmoil.

While the current price is nowhere near the $110 a barrel Brent hit in 2014, it is much higher than the $30 it hit in 2016. OPEC nations still will need to tighten their budgets at $60, but any higher price would bring competitors into the market and hurt the cartel's global market share.

"What we expect to see is that, as production grows, light sweet crude from the Permian Basin will find a home in the global market and go to a lot of refineries around the world."

Jenna Delaney, senior oil analyst at S&P Global Platts

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Obituaries

Bernice Freeman Deaver

Bernice Freeman Deaver, 85, of Odessa, Texas, passed away November 10, 2017.

She was born in Lee County, Texas. Later, she moved with her family Paulethia and Pink "Brother" Newson to Odessa. She attended Blackshear High School and was in the first graduating class. She enrolled Tillotson College, now Houston-Tillotson University, Austin, graduating with a Bachelor's of Science degree. She later received a Master of Arts degree from Texas Southern University in Houston. She was a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated where she served as president, vice president, corresponding secretary, and financial secretary.

She was a Lions Club International Lioness. She worked in the Ector County Independent School District for 30 years teaching 4th, 5th, and 6th grades at Carver and Milam Elementary schools.

At an early age, she gave her life to Christ becoming a member of Parks Memorial Church of God in Christ. She was baptized by the late Elder Parks, pastor. She later moved her membership to Prayer House COGIC. She was active in all of the church activities. Bernice was particularly active as a Sunday school teacher.

She was raised in a home where her mother nurtured underserved children with love and providing for their needs. As an adult, Bernice, along with her husband, continued that practice by opening their heart and resources to children and many others.

Bernice married William H. Deaver on July 21, 1962. He preceded her in death. Others preceding her in death were her sister, Vicky Newson-Hubbard; god-daughter, Barbara Prince, and her parents, Paulethia Georgia and Pink Newson.

She had no children of her own.

She is survived by (nieces) Dr. Tara Deaver, Debra Deaver Byrd (Lennerd), both of Odessa; Gwendolyn Vickers (Jesse), Beverly Sherman, Monica Glenn, Carolyn Glenn all of Los Angeles, California, Lynette Cook of Austin; (nephews) Ernest Clark (Sheila) of Austin, Lonnie Lucas, Jr. (Mischon) of San Diego, California, Arnett Lucas of Long Beach, California; (Cousins) Mae Helen Alexander, Kenneth Goode, George Jackson, Annett Flannell (Douglas), Edna Mae, James Cooper, James Penny (Wanda); (sister-in-law) Emma Glenn, (aunt) Helen Kerr Foshua; (god-daughter) Brandy Willis (Raymond), and a brat of other nieces, nephews, god-children, and friends.

Pallbearers include Donald Alford, Hubert Collins, James Taylor, Walter H. Alexander, Ernest Clark, and Lennerd Byrd.

Honorary pallbearers are John Mayfield, Tommy Morris, Alvin Alford, and George Jackson.

The family of Bernice Deaver wishes to extend our sincere thanks to Dr. Debbie Smith, Crossland Care, Home Hospice, Accolade Home Health Care, and supportive friends.

Visitation and wake will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Sunset Memorial Gardens on Monday, November 13, 2017.

Funeral service is scheduled at Greater Walker Chapel Living Vision Missionary COCIC on at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 14, 2017, with interment at Rose Hill Cemetery.

Arrangements are under the direction of Sunset Memorial Gardens & Funeral Home.

To sign the guestbook go to *www.sunsetodessa.com* .

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Madeline Shimer Prather

Madeline Shimer Prather, 94, of Belpre, Ohio, passed away peacefully into the awaiting arms of God on November 9, 2017. She was born on June 7, 1923 in Freed, West Virginia to L.H. "Harley" and Lovisa (Fox) Shimer. She was the grandchild of Benjamin Bruce and Myrtle Estell (Trippett) Shimer and Clement Landingham and Susanna (Yoak) Fox.

Madeline grew up during the Great Depression, working with her father in his mercantile business in Munday, West Virginia. This experience instilled in her a tremendous gentleness and kindness toward the people in her life. She seldom missed an opportunity to send a card or say an encouraging word. She was a 1941 graduate of Wirt County High School. After graduating high school, she attended Mountain State College in Parkersburg, West Virginia.

In 1945, she married her loving husband Denzil L. Prather. During their lifetime, they resided in Marietta, Ohio, Creston, West Virginia, Midland, Texas, and in 1957 settled down in Belpre, Ohio. They attended the Belpre Congregational Church where Madeline was a member of the Board of Deacons and Deaconesses and a member of the Service Class. She was a Charter member of the Belpre Women's Club. Madeline enjoyed spending time with her family at home and at their farm in Ritchie County, West Virginia. She will be greatly missed at the annual Easter Egg Hunt at the farm. She was proud of her heritage and being a descendent of George Washington Shimer and Christopher Coiumbus Fox.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Denzil Lewis Prather; daughter, Kathy Taylor; sister, Mavadelle Lieving; and brothers, Ronald Shimer and Herbert Shimer.

She is survived by five children; Denzil L. (Lynn) Prather, Jr. of Parkersburg, West Virginia, Linda (Mike) Holtgrewe of Covington, Georgia, Mary (Nathan) Smith of Warner Robins, Georgia, Anne (Ron) Scarbro of Westerville, Ohio, and David (Missy) Prather of Vienna, West Virginia: son-in-law, Pat Taylor of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina; 15 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; brother, Donald (Pat) Shimer of Sun City West, Arizona; sister, Barbara (Harold) Butcher of Sandusky, Ohio; brother-in-law, Bruce (Patricia) Prather of Abingdon, Virginia; sister-in-law, Wilma Anderson of Midland, Texas; and by many nieces, nephews, and several cousins.

Services will be conducted at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, November 13, 2017 at Leavitt Funeral Home, Belpre with Reverend Deborah Jeanblanc and Reverend Brian Harrell officiating. Burial will be at Rockland Cemetery, Belpre, Ohio.

Visitation will be from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Sunday, and one hour prior to the service on Monday.

Online condolences may be sent to the family at *www.LeavittFuneralHome.com*.

Sue Halbrooks Byrom

Sue Halbrooks Byrom, 76, died Tuesday, November 7, 2017.

Memorial services will be held at 3:00 p.m., Monday, November 13, 2017 at Shaffer Funeral Home's Sherwood Way Chapel.

Services are under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home/Sherwood Way.

Granny Sue is survived by her son, William Self, and stepson, Mark Self.

W.E. (Bud) Dole

W.E. (Bud) Dole, born November 19, 1926, died peacefully in his home on Saturday, November 4, 2017 surrounded by his wife Betty and loving family.

Bud, a Navy veteran of World War II and the Korean War, found great joy in volunteering in Midland and Houston at Friendship House, Casa de Amigos, the Police Station, and the Cancer Center. He found immense fulfillment providing an empathetic ear for cancer patients. Bud was an accomplished painter, wood carver, and lapidarist. He bred bromeliads and spent countless hours researching his family heritage and genealogy.

Bud is survived by his wife of 62 years, Betty Walker Dole; son, Scott Dole and daughter-in-law Glenda Dole and their two children, Ryan and Adam; daughter, Nan Dole Morris and her husband Bob and their two daughters, Rachel Morris and Lindsay Pixler and her husband Chris, and their two children, Jack and Savannah.

"We learned. We laughed. We loved. We lived."

We love you and miss you Papa/Pawpaw.

Funeral service will be held on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at The Woodlands United Methodist Church in The Woodlands, Texas.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his name to The Woodlands United Methodist Church.

Death Notices

Margarita Rodriguez Galindo

Margarita Rodriguez Galindo, 88, of Midland, passed away on Saturday, November 11, 2017.

Viewing will be Monday, November 13, 2017 from 10:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., with a prayer service at 7:00 p.m. at Lewallen Garcia Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel.

Funeral service is set for Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at Lewallen Garcia Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

She is survived by her three sons, Jesus Galindo, Jr., Saul Galindo, and Rudy Galindo; one daughter, Linda Loya; and by one brother and two sisters.

Tomlinson

From 1B

As it stands, clever shale drillers are already capturing more of the market. The U.S. exported a record 2.1 million barrels a day last month, according to S&P Global Platts, which collects and analyzes energy data and markets.

Crude oil imports declined by 552,000 barrels a day to only 7 million barrels, far less than the peak of 12.5 million barrels a day in 2005, according to Platts.

Because oil refineries require a blend of different grades of crude to make fuel, the U.S. will always need to import some oil. But by exporting lighter grades and importing heavier ones, the U.S. is coming closer to becoming a net energy producer.

Crude exports are expected to grow now that shale drillers have lowered their break-even price to $30 to $35 a barrel, Platts analysts predict. Even with only slightly higher prices next year, the U.S. could be a net exporter by 2023.

"What we expect to see is that as production grows, light sweet crude from the Permian Basin will find a home in the global market and go to a lot of refineries around the world," said Jenna Delaney, senior oil analyst at S&P Global Platts.

Industry prognosticators are debating what's next. Will higher prices bring more oil onto the market and send prices crashing again? Will the lack of investment in new wells lead to a supply shortfall as old wells die out? Are shale drillers pumping too much, too fast from their wells, setting the stage for a production crash in the Permian Basin?

The most likely scenario is nothing that dramatic.

Oil company executives would do well to remember that OPEC and its allies still have 1.5 million barrels a day in excess capacity. The cartel sent global prices crashing in 2014 to drive out competitors, and if demand grows, OPEC would likely loosen quotas.

The last thing OPEC wants is for high prices to encourage high-cost competitors, such as Canadian oil sands and ultra deep water rigs, to re-enter the market.

Independent U.S. producers are also under pressure not to overspend again. Energy investors, who lost more than $120 billion during the two-year oil bust, are imposing discipline.

Before 2015, investors compensated oil executives based on proven reserves and drilling rigs. Free cash flow and profits were not a priority when executives expected $100 oil forever.

In today's highly competitive, supply-rich environment, investors no longer urge executives to "drill, baby, drill." And with $71 billion in debt coming due in 2019 alone, oil companies need to straighten out their balance sheets.

U.S. oil companies, therefore, are selling off weaker holdings, cutting spending, and paying down debt. Even with higher prices, operators say they are focused on lowering costs and debt, Delaney said.

That does not mean, though, that executives are wrecking their wells in search of short-term gains. Pundits have been predicting the end of shale oil due to technical failures for years, and petroleum engineers have consistently proved them wrong.

Oil companies are still finding new reserves in West Texas, and as shale driller have brought down the break-even price on the best wells, they are also bringing down the costs on second- and third-tier wells, making more of them profitable.

So barring a major geopolitical event in an OPEC country, supply will remain strong. Demand, meanwhile, continues to grow slowly, well within the capacity of the oil industry to meet year-over-year growth.

So while the bust is over, that doesn't mean another boom.

Nicholas

From 2B

Now, I am generally not good in scary situations. All I could think was that I was in my pajamas and my daughter had no jacket or shoes handy — par for the course — and that my beast dog would flip out really, really soon.

My daughter's little voice was shaking, and she asked if we should go outside now. I turned off the oven, called 911 and ran to my room to grab something to put over my Duds. Thank goodness there was a dog leash handy. I sent her onto the porch, slipped yoga pants on over my base layer leggings and walked Dutch outside.

I didn't grab shoes or a jacket, either, and it was so dark and cold. I had no idea what to do with the dog, but I knew things would go off the rails when a fire engine showed up with lights and sirens. I sent cold, barefooted little Bodacious across the street to a neighbor's house for safekeeping when I saw my awesome neighbor Mr. Gary outside.

I explained the situation and asked if I could stash my increasingly anxious dog in his garage. Poor Gary. He and his wife were hosting about 20 other people for a party just then, and they were painting in the garage. Not the best timing, and they have cats. But he just smiled and grabbed the leash. He took Dutch inside and told me not to worry about a thing.

It was just in time, too, because the firetruck and ambulance where steaming towards us full force. Out the firefighters poured, checking on me and making sure no one else was in the house before heading straight in. Y'all, firefighters are brave. You could not pay me enough money to walk into a situation that could escalate out of control so quickly. In a few minutes, they came back outside to get me. All I could think was, thank God I cleaned my kitchen and living room today, which explains why there were no shoes handy. And thank God I hadn't taken off my bra when I changed into my Cuddle Duds.

"It was just a grease fire," the tallest one explained to me. "You can see the smoldering stuff I pulled out in the sink."

As we walked back

Please see FIRE/3B

Ortiz

From 1B

condition index?

ORTIZ: The pavement condition index captures only the direct cost of new pavement. We are waiting for results from our 2017 pavement condition analysis; based on the preliminary results from 2017 data, $126.5 million (2017 dollars) would be needed to replace the pavement on remaining roadways.

If we were to replace all failing roads in a comprehensive way — design and engineering, drainage improvements, ADA modifications, and paving — as we are doing with the bond-funded projects, the total cost would be approximately $200 million.

MRT: What is the timeline moving forward as far as bonds, engineering, hiring a construction manager, replacing roads, etc.?

ORTIZ: In year one, we plan to complete four projects: (parts of) Green Tree Boulevard, Cuthbert Avenue, Taylor Avenue and Hicks Avenue. Of these, the only project still in design is Cuthbert. The others are shovel-ready. Residents can expect to see utility work this fall and winter; in the spring and summer, we will begin pavement work.

Staff is currently in discussions with our bond advisor and the bond counsel to work toward an early 2018 bond issuance. We intend to issue $25 million per year over a four-year period beginning in 2018.

The Midland City Council will consider a reimbursement resolution at its Nov. 21 meeting. The resolution would allow the city to spend funds out of its general and utilities fund budgets and be reimbursed by the bond. This reimbursement resolution would allow the city to move forward on design and construction before the actual issuance of a portion of the $100M.

The council also will consider a resolution Nov. 21 that would authorize the city manager to advertise for bids for the Year 1 projects.

MRT: Will the city have a website that allows residents to monitor the progress being made on these projects?

ORTIZ: Transparency is important. Residents will be able to monitor progress online on our website: www.midlandtexas.gov/roadbond. We are currently working to build out the website; as soon as it is live, we will share it.

MRT: Is there anything else you need to address about the process with our readers?

ORTIZ: The calendar flipping past Election Day doesn't mean that the public comment period is over. Please continue to stay in touch with city staff and let us know if you have a question or problem. We know that road work can be frustrating. We endeavor to communicate clearly and often about any road closures or repairs that might interfere with your daily routine.

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Elvis is still in the building for Hawley impersonator

TUMBLEWEED SMITH
Columnist

"I was always a big fan, as you might expect. As a teenager I watched his movies and listened to his records."

Harvey McFadden of Hawley, a small community north of Abilene, spent 20 years in the Navy, then taught for 11 years. Along the way, he started imitating Elvis Presley. He did it so well he quit teaching in 2001 and started doing it full time. He performs at fairs, rodeos, nursing homes, retirement centers, church banquets, birthday and anniversary parties and car shows.

"I do 15 or 20 shows a month on average," he said. "Sometimes, I do two shows a day. December is my biggest month, and then I often do three shows a day. Last December, my record-breaking month, I did 42 shows, and only two of them were after Christmas."

When Harvey sang in a church choir, people told him he sounded like Elvis. He liked that, even though he was not trying to imitate the icon. Elvis had a repertoire of 700 songs; Harvey can sing 300 of them. He is often invited back to the places where he performs, so he has to have fresh material for his audiences.

"However, they expect to hear "Blue Suede Shoes," "Love Me Tender" and certain songs."

Harvey gave his 3,000th performance on Aug. 14.

"I have a pretty good idea of what they expect to hear and what they want to hear."

The 62-year-old father of four and grandfather of 11 gives his audiences a full show, both in length and breadth. When I saw him at a woman's birthday party at a retirement center, he got down on his knees in front of her and actually crooned to her while he held her hand. She thought that was special.

"I do an hour and fifteen minutes for my retirement and nursing homes. At fairs and festivals I do two hours."

Courtesy photo

Harvey McFadden of Hawley is a professional Elvis impersonator.

When he's learning a new song he studies a video of Elvis performing it.

"When I'm driving I listen to a new song and sing along with it. I do a lot of driving. That's my practice time."

Harvey, who has won awards for his impersonation, has eight Elvis suits.

"I want to do this as long as I can feel I'm doing a quality job."

What if taxes could make divorce more painful?

MEGAN MCARDLE
Bloomberg

Conservatives have spent years trying to save marriage — from redefinition, from collapse. Gay marriage is the biggest headline issue, but social conservatives are uniformly aghast at the prevalence of divorce and the rising levels of extra-marital childbearing.

Various remedies have been proposed to reverse these trends, to little effect. Divorce rates have been falling, but that's likely attributable, at least in part, to the number of people who don't marry in the first place. And so far, no one has any very good proposals to persuade people to return en masse to the stable, lifelong unions that characterized earlier eras. The government programs that have been tried — like a major Bush-era initiative — produced little in the way of results.

But hope does not die so easily. If government spending on exhortation has failed, why not look at the other side of the government ledger: the tax code? That appears to be the logic behind one of the less-remarked features of the House GOP tax bill: a change in the tax treatment of alimony payments that would make divorce more costly and contentious for some affluent couples.

Right now, alimony payments are counted as taxable income to the receiving party, while the person paying the alimony can deduct them. Under the GOP tax bill, by contrast, alimony would generate neither taxable income nor a corresponding deduction.

If you are not well-versed in the arcana of tax policy, this may sound like a trivial alteration. After all, one party is losing a deduction, but the other party doesn't have to pay any taxes. It should all come out in the wash.

Which is correct — as long as both parties are in the same tax bracket. On the other hand, if the person paying the alimony is in a higher tax bracket than the person receiving it (frequently true), the deduction they're getting is worth more than the taxes that their former spouse has to pay. This creates what's known in the CPA biz as a "tax arbitrage opportunity": by moving money from a highly taxed pocket to a lower-taxed one, the two halves of a former couple have reduced their total tax bill. So if you eliminate the arbitrage, the IRS will collect more revenue.

Not much revenue, to be sure — about $8 billion over 10 years. But for some divorced couples, it could be a major blow to the pocketbook.

Is this good policy? There's a plausible argument that making divorce more expensive could also make it more rare. For example: divorce tends to fall during economic downturns. That's because divorce is expensive -- not just in attorney's fees, but in the greater need for child care and the higher cost of supporting two households rather than one. Divorce rebounds, of course, when the economy improves, but it doesn't necessarily catch up.

People in high-conflict marriages, or marriages where there is a substance problem or an issue with abuse, are probably going to end up on the rocks eventually. Moreover, they probably should. In low-conflict marriages, however, it's not clear that the divorce makes people any happier, and if they stay together, after five years, many people in unhappy marriages will report that things have turned around. So raising the cost of divorcing could actually promote the long-term welfare of people whose marriages are simply less-than-excellent (though of course, it would also impose even greater hardships on people whose marriages are truly rotten and dangerous).

But that still doesn't necessarily make this good policy. For one thing, there are those costs to the folks who really are in untenable situations; we should think long and hard before choosing a path whose selling point is that it keeps a bunch of so-so marriages together, if its downside is encouraging people to stay with abusive partners.

For another, as women go further in the workforce, alimony (and different tax brackets) simply aren't as large a factor in divorce as they used to be.

Just as importantly, the current method of accounting for alimony is actually the correct one under the current principles that guide our tax code. Changing that treatment would be a distortion of the way our tax code is supposed to work, and such distortions should not be permitted lightly.

Alimony is, after all, income to the recipient; it is an expense to the person who pays it. The tax code says that income should be taxed — and in order to keep us from taxing the same bit of income over and over until the entire economy collapses into dust, it also says that whoever provides that income should be allowed an offsetting expense.

I believe in the goodness of marriage, and I hope that American public policy and culture will look for ways to make marriage more attractive and sustainable. But if this sort of tax fiddling is our best idea, then we'd better keep looking.

FIRE

From 2B

in, I could see my glass of wine on the table. I rushed to tell him I had not been drinking and that I am a good, responsible mother who keeps a clean house despite the grease fire in my oven. That now looks really dirty with four firefighters examining it.

Firefighter Tall laughed and said these kind of fires happen all the time, especially when people use the self-cleaning option on their oven. And sometimes, flames escape oven doors. Always turn a burning oven off and leave the oven door closed. They were nice enough to blow all the smoke out of the house with an industrial blower, and even checked all the fire alarms for me.

After they left, I went to retrieve Bodacious and Dutch. But Dutch was still scared and refused to come home. You can't make a dog that weighs 100 pounds do anything it doesn't want to do. And believe me, we tried. He couldn't be persuaded with tugging, pleading, commanding, bread, jerky or his ball. So we just stayed at Gary's for the next hour, visiting with his party guests, eating cookies and drinking hot chocolate until The Hubs got there. He had to pick the dog up and carry him home. Big baby.

The dog and I slept like the dead that night, all that adrenaline is exhausting. Even though it all turned out just fine, it was scary! I am so thankful for the brave men and women who work as first responders in our communities. And I am especially grateful to have such terrific neighbors. There aren't enough cookies in the world to show my appreciation, but I am sure going to try! I would also urge each of you to test your fire alarms this weekend, locate the fire extinguisher, and go over a fire safety plan with your families. Your littles always need to know where they can go in an emergency situation. Get more fire safety tips when you visit the National Safety Council at www.NSC.org.

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DONNELLY

From 1B

over things that were put in place in a previous time and circumstances when, at the time, those opportunities might have looked like viable prospects for various reasons.

Without MDC, these and other opportunities may have been missed. And who knows what other unfortunate "dry holes or marginal producers" may provide in the future. It is a credit to MDC to see the needs of the great city of Midland and address those needs, as well as keep an open mind to opportunities of the future.

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TOTAL		$26,511.80

Carlos and Antonia, who lost their first child, a son, in the second trimester of her pregnancy, were eagerly awaiting the birth of their second child, a daughter Christina arrived two months early. Her lungs were underdeveloped. Antonia spent two months in the hospital recovering from her difficult delivery. Christina also remained in the hospital, in an incubator to help her breathe. It was determined that Christina needed to be in a hospital in Dallas, and so the couple packed up to be with their daughter. She remained in the hospital for 3 additional months, but in the end she, like her brother, went to heaven.

Carlos and Antonia had pleaded with the manager of the apartment complex in which they lived to hold their apartment until they could return to Midland, but when they returned to Midland they found they had no place to live. The complex had evicted the couple and confiscated their possessions.

They used what little money they could scrape up to bury their daughter next to their son. They found a small motel room, and both of them returned to their jobs, which had been held for them during their tragic ordeal. The cost of the motel room ate up their income and they found themselves unable to save up enough money to get another place to live.

We met with Antonia. She proudly showed us pictures of her little girl. The first two pictures showed her in the incubator, with tubes attached to her body. The third picture showed the precious baby after death, lying peacefully in her little white dress and finally free of the tubes. The young mother gently caressed the picture and with tears in her eyes, smiled as she looked at her little angel.

We were privileged to help this couple get a new place to live. There they can grieve the loss of their children. Please pray that they find healing and are one day able to have that family they yearn for so desperately.

Thank you for your support, that allowed us to help them!

Media doesn't make things easier in Sutherland Springs

KEN HERMAN
Austin American-Statesman

SUTHERLAND SPRINGS — "Three days ago," Vice President Mike Pence said at a Wednesday night memorial service for those killed at the First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs, "evil descended on a small town and a small church."

And where evil goes, journalists follow, descending on and often overwhelming the scene, especially among small-town folks who would otherwise never come face to face with people from The New York Times or national TV networks.

May God protect these people from any damage or indignity inflicted by journalists just doing their jobs.

Sutherland Springs is a small community, one with this friendly reminder in the bathroom of the convenience store across U.S. 87 from the First Baptist Church: "You're in the country! Be kind to our septic systems! Do not flush personal products. Toilet paper only."

On the church's side of U.S. 87 on Thursday, the media throng lingered had dwindled appreciably from the horde it was in the immediate aftermath of the Sunday shooting that killed 26 and wounded 20. Having been part of this kind of media swarm in the past, I've been curious about why some people in tragic situations find catharsis in talking to us and others want no part of us.

I understand both reactions. So does veteran journalist Dave Montgomery of Austin, who's in Sutherland Springs covering the story for the Times.

"I was pulling up at a house just the other day and a gentleman — I was about to get out of my car and talk to him — asked if I was a reporter," Montgomery said. "And I said 'Yeah.' And he said, 'Get the f-bomb off my yard and get out of here.' So I did. I can't blame him. That's what I would have told me."

"I can definitely understand people just feeling like the media are just a bunch of vultures," Montgomery told me. "But a lot of other people say, 'Hey, that's their job and we want to be able to talk to you and we want you to get the story out, too.'"

Michael Ward wants the story out, but he told me Thursday his brother had told him to stop talking to reporters. I came upon Ward in his front yard a few blocks from the church as he was preparing to join his family in heading to the hospital to visit his nephew, 5-year-old Ryland Ward, who was wounded at the church. Ward's sister-in-law Joann Ward, who was Ryland's stepmother, was killed in the church. So was Joann's daughter Brooke, also 5.

"I guess it really ain't reached reality yet," Michael Ward told me when I asked if talking with reporters had helped or hurt. "I'm just really worried about my nephew."

As I wrapped up so Ward, 32, could head to the hospital, he had a request for me, one I misinterpreted. "Maybe you can help," he said. "My brother, at his house, they turned his electric off."

I reached for my wallet, but Ward waved that off, saying he just wanted the electric company to know what it had done to somebody already dealing with more than anybody should have to deal with.

"They know who he is," Ward said.

At the convenience store across U.S. 87 from the church, Terrie Smith on Thursday was doing what she does midmorning six days a week, cooking. She owns the kitchen in the store.

"All my food's good," she told me. "I'm the taco lady."

Smith has gotten her share of media attention last week because she was at the store Sunday, though it was closed. She had come by to gas up and check on things. She heard the shots and had a wounded victim come in.

With understandable emotion (though never straying from her task of rolling the chicken enchiladas), Smith said the journalists who came to town have been a comfort.

"You know what," she said, "we welcome everybody here and we've made new friends. And it's going to be a little sad to see them go, honestly, because they are more friends that we made. But yeah, we're ready for our quiet little town."

Just prior to noon Thursday, Charlene Uhl of nearby La Vernia showed up at the line of white crosses with red hearts posted just outside of the crime scene tape. She went to the cross that says Haley Krueger and has a photo of a smiling young woman sporting the kind of hair now she so enjoyed.

Haley was Uhl's 16-year-old daughter.

"Loved forever," somebody wrote on Haley's cross.

"It's all part of God's greater plan," somebody else wrote on it.

Predictably, as a friend put her arm around Uhl, the lingering media throng encircled her and, respectfully and sympathetically, asked all the right questions.

And Uhl, patient at a moment when impatience would be understandable, had the right answer: "I shouldn't be here. You shouldn't have to go through this and have to bury your child. Shouldn't never happen."

Nick Wagner/Austin American-Statesman via AP

Texas Department of Public Safety Regional Director Freeman Martin provides information to media members about the fatal shooting at the First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs on Nov. 6.

I asked her if talking about it so publicly, cameras aimed at her, helped.

"It makes it harder," she said.

I asked if she would have preferred if none of us were there to ask questions.

"Yes," she said. And then she patiently answered 15 more minutes of questions, many redundant.

In the aftermath of this tragedy — while this small community had its decidedly unwanted and involuntary turn in the focus of worldwide media — American-Statesman reader John Collier sent me an email with some valid concerns.

"The sheer volume of reporting associated with events such as these serves to prime the pump for the next event," Collier told me. "I can envision someone sitting around brooding about something and suddenly thinking — that's how I can get my 15 seconds of fame, notoriety."

Worth considering. But it's important we collect and report the facts and hope they can be part of the elusive equation that helps eradicate or, more realistically, reduces the frequency of such horrors. Please believe us that we understand the delicate nature of what we do at times like these.

"Dear Sutherland Springs, you deserve an apology from the news media," says the headline atop a thoughtfully written commentary by Lauren McGaughy of The Dallas Morning News' Austin Bureau, who arrived in Sutherland Springs on Sunday.

"The media presence doubled the size of your grieving community, or so it seemed," she wrote. "You couldn't park at the post office. It was jammed with news vans and satellite trucks, its lawn trampled by a half-dozen tents the big networks set up. You couldn't get a quiet meal at the local cafe, where waitresses trying to get through their shifts were asked again and again to talk about the friends and family they had just lost."

"It was an invasion," McGaughy proclaimed. "It was too much. ... As a profession, we must have a conversation about how best to chronicle horrors like this. We can do better."

On Thursday, in a small community forever changed and now so cruelly added to an American dishonor roll where mass shootings have brought journalists to town in overwhelming numbers, the Taco Lady had it all figured out.

"You get occasional ones that are pushy," Smith said. "But either we soften them up with food, or just tell them we will talk to them as soon as we can."

And she smiled through her tears, trying to make another difficult day of enchilada-rolling normal as possible.

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Dear Sutherland Springs, you deserve an apology from the news media

LAUREN MCGAUGHY
Dallas Morning News

Dear Sutherland Springs,

When I drove into town last Sunday, it was still quiet. Just a few hours had passed since the massacre at First Baptist, and only a handful of local journalists were there. By day's end, dozens more had descended. By Monday, there were hundreds of us — reporters, producers and photographers from all over the world.

The media presence doubled the size of your grieving community, or so it seemed. You couldn't park at the post office. It was jammed with news vans and satellite trucks, its lawn trampled by a half-dozen tents the big networks set up. You couldn't get a quiet meal at the local cafe, where waitresses trying to get through their shifts were asked again and again to talk about the friends and family they had just lost.

It was miserably hot, even for Texas. But the gas station was out of sunscreen. We'd bought it all.

It was an invasion. It was too much.

At the prayer vigil that night, mourners clutching candles hugged each other and sobbed. The pictures were beautiful. What you didn't see was the scrum engulfing your friends and loved ones, photographers and reporters with iPhones jockeying to capture an image that didn't also include the media melee.

I kept thinking there should be — there must be — a better way to cover a tragedy like this.

Your community is different from a big city like Las Vegas. Certainly the victims there were traumatized by reporters' constant pressing. Sutherland Springs — three square blocks of modest homes without so much as a stoplight, three square blocks of homes in which nearly every person lost someone — should have been treated with more care.

Because I got there early, I was in front of the Ward family's house when they got back from the hospital. They were waiting on news from four family members, three kids and their mother, they told me. Sure, I could come inside. Yeah, I could sit down. OK, we'll tell you what we saw.

Their daughter McKinley introduced me to their dogs, let me hold the newest addition, a puppy named Liyla. Grandma Lupe made me tortillas. Leslie brewed coffee. By midnight Sunday, they'd learned two of the nieces and the girls' mother were dead. One boy, a 5-year-old shot four times, is still hanging on.

Maybe they opened up because they trusted me, or it was a welcome distraction. Maybe it was just luck and timing. Whatever the reason, I wrote their story sitting at their kitchen table. McKinley kept me company, watching Meet Me in St. Louis by my side.

I decided to choose my interactions carefully. But I was still there, a stranger, an outsider, my presence an intrusion.

The second day, from the comfort of the Wards' porch, I watched as the family turned away at least a dozen reporters. Most I didn't know. Some were former colleagues or competitors. For a moment I felt triumphant — I got the story — and in the next moment, sickened by my own arrogance.

Eventually, the media pressure began to weigh even on me. I did a few on-the-ground interviews before rejecting the rest. It was too stressful. I expressed my growing disgust with a few other journalists, and many agreed with me. One, a national television reporter, seemed confused.

"Everyone has been so welcoming," he told me. Welcoming? People were holed up in their homes, loathing how a simple trip to the Dollar General would put them in our paths. Some people were downright rude — and for very good reason.

I am routinely crammed into press gaggles and competing for interviews. Yet I was absolutely overwhelmed in Sutherland Springs. I was sickened. I can't imagine how you, a grieving community, must have felt.

You're more than a hashtag.

The massacre at the First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs was the worst mass shooting in modern Texas history. Like Las Vegas before it, the number of casualties alone makes it an event that necessitates coverage. Oftentimes, explaining what happened can prompt others to lend a helping hand or spur needed change, like improvements in public policy. Sometimes, for victims, telling their stories can be cathartic.

As journalists, our role as observers and investigators in times of tragedy is important. But so is our empathy and our humanity. As a profession, we must have a conversation about how best to chronicle horrors like this. We can do better.

To the families who opened up to us and put up with me, thank you. The media horde, myself included, owes you an apology. I hope you'll soon find a quiet moment in which to mourn.

Sincerely,
Lauren McGaughy

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If we can't talk about gun control now, after Sutherland Springs, then we will never talk about it

MICHAEL A. LINDENBERGER
Dallas Morning News

The tears have only begun to flow in Sutherland Springs, where a man armed with enough firepower to stop a platoon laid waste to a community of Baptist believers 30 miles outside of San Antonio on Sunday. At least 26 were killed.

The grief has begun but is still so raw we might ask, as we normally do: Is it the right time to talk about guns? About America's unusual embrace of guns and gun culture, and whether that has anything to do with these heart-stopping and life-rending events?

Why they are so bloody? So numbingly frequent?

Or is now not a good time? Is it, perhaps, too soon?

Hell no, it is not too soon. Call it past time. Say it's a conversation grossly in arrears. If we do not talk about this violence and the role guns play in it now, then when will we ever find the heart, the guts and the determination to do so?

Well, I'll tell you when. Never.

Never. Not even when a young gunman lays waste to an elementary school. Not when Omar Mateen, with his history of domestic violence and recent gun purchases, kills more than 50 in Orlando's gay nightclub Pulse. Not when two ISIS-inspired converts in San Bernardino, California, run their ruinous rampage.

None of these attacks is ever the same. Each death is an individual tragedy, unlike any that have ever come before or any that will follow. But in other ways, they are all the same. An ordinary moment, say at a church or club or in school, and then — then death strikes in a rapid-fire burst of spent shells and shrieks and all around lives are left cracked open like a tree split down to its roots by a rogue bolt of blue lightning.

You know what else is the same? Our dance around these questions of guns. That's the same. The hypocrisy of voices on the one hand saying "Don't play politics!" and at the same time clapping when Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton wades right in with his fool of a message to Texans, to whom he said Sunday that if just more of us would get licensed to carry guns ourselves, events like this will happen less often and with less carnage.

That's rich. Paxton spoke up after early reports indicted the shooter was chased off the church's property by a townsman with his own rifle. But at that point, the shooter was already coming out of the church, where he'd claimed the vast majority of his victims. By some accounts, the shooting inside the church had taken only seconds, or perhaps as much as a few minutes. It's beyond reckless to slough off talk of gun laws by urging everyone to be armed.

Meanwhile, here's a tidbit that Paxton won't tell you. America's gun laws, the ones we are so reluctant to talk about when it matters most, have been worked over wholesale in the past 10 years. In 2008, the Supreme Court said for the first time that the 2nd Amendment guarantees an individual right to bear arms, and ruled that the toughest gun control law in the nation had gone too far, when D.C. officials had banned outright all handguns.

But even then, the late Justice Antonin Scalia said that of course cities, states and Congress have the right to add new and different restrictions, so long as they are reasonable. In practice, the efforts in Austin and Washington have been entirely in the other direction, toward making it easier to buy, carry and even shoot those guns.

So now when once more the nation is brought up short, with its heart in its throat, over a deadly mass shooting, the instinct is to avoid the "politics" of gun control policy. To let people mourn in peace, and to postpone the debate.

But that debate never comes — or if it does, it's so tepid that we ought to be ashamed. Last month, after the mass shooting in Las Vegas, some brave Republican lawmakers called for hearings — hearings! — on whether cheap adjustments capable of making semi-automatic rifles fully automatic ought to be regulated.

Hearings! Such bravery stands out like milk curdled in its pail, fouling the smell of the barn.

There is still much to learn about Sunday's shootings, including about the shooter and whether laws already on the books should have prevented him for having his guns, as early reports suggested.

But whether he acquired his arsenal legally or not, it's just as true that here was a man who, if early reports are to be believed, felt so comfortable showing off his assault-style rifle last month that he posted it to Facebook, bragging about the cool murder machine.

If that doesn't speak to some inherent permissiveness when it comes to deadly weapons that make these mass murders possible, then I don't know what would.

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Republicans can't afford to chase away their own

■ A Republican coalition that chases away significant numbers of white voters while unifying traditional Democratic voters in opposition is destined for minority status

JONAH GOLDBERG

Tribune News Service

Politics is about addition, not subtraction.

I don't know who first said it (the internet offers many possibilities), but it's an iron law of politics, not just democracy. You gain power by adding forces to your coalition, and you lose power by subtracting forces from your coalition.

That's the lesson of the recent election results in Virginia and elsewhere across the country. But again, that's the lesson of pretty much every election, because of that whole iron law thing. It's not complicated.

For years now, the GOP has been losing support among its natural primary constituency — middle- and upper-middle-class suburban voters — while it has been gaining support from lower-income and working-class whites. Donald Trump cobbled together a coalition of the two, in specific swing states, to win the Electoral College while still losing the popular vote.

Trump pollster Tony Fabrizio noted just after the election that his client won by carrying five crucial counties, four in Florida and one in Michigan.

Contrary to a lot of spin from Trump and his boosters, who claim that "Trumpism" is a new ideological force transforming the country, the president owes the bulk of his victory to the simple fact that he was not Hillary Clinton — a figure who singularly unified the Republican Party. "America First," "build the wall" and all the issues most frequently associated with Trump's victory may have attracted some new white working-class voters to the party, but they divided (and still divide) the traditional Republican coalition.

Take Clinton off the ballot, and support for "Trumpism" — and for Trump himself — drops among traditional Republicans and plummets among Independents, moderates and, of course, Democrats.

Trump has been shedding supporters pretty much from the day he took office. A little more than a year after his election, he has unprecedentedly low approval ratings for any president, even within his own party.

Fired Trump advisor Steve Bannon, the most overrated figure in American politics, championed Republican Virginia gubernatorial candidate Ed Gillespie as proof that the "Trump agenda" is bigger than just Trump. Just days before the election, Bannon told The New York Times that Gillespie had "closed an enthusiasm gap by rallying around the Trump agenda ... in Gillespie's case, Trumpism without Trump can show the way forward."

Gillespie lost by nine points. Suddenly the Bannonites were denouncing Gillespie as an inauthentic swamp creature who failed to embrace Trump sufficiently.

His opponent, Ralph Northam, won because suburban white voters abandoned Gillespie, either because they were turned off by his Trumpish rhetoric or simply because they wanted to protest Trump.

Trump boosters have a legitimate point that Virginia — the only Southern state Clinton carried last year — wasn't Trump country. Northam lost among non-college-educated whites by a staggering margin: 72 percent to 26 percent. But he more than made up for it among suburban college-educated whites, particularly women. Northam outperformed Clinton by 5 points among college graduates. He finished 6 points better with white college-educated men, and 10 points better with white college-educated women.

Bannon seems to believe that Republicans can afford to subtract educated suburbanites by boosting turnout from rural and working-class non-college-educated voters.

In a state like Alabama, that may be possible, given the demographics there. That's why Bannon supported Roy Moore over Luther Strange, a more conventional and electable Republican incumbent, in the recent Senate primary. As of this writing, Bannon's preferred candidate is mired in a scandal, as he's been accused of sexual preying on underage girls.

Regardless, nationwide, this theory was always absurd. Majorities are determined at the margins, by candidates who can win in "purple" districts and states, by adding moderates, independents and registered voters of the opposing party. A Republican coalition that chases away significant numbers of white voters while unifying traditional Democratic voters in opposition is destined for minority status.

It's unclear whether Bannon understands this and just doesn't care, or whether he's cluelessly working on the assumption that the GOP can afford to lose more voters than it gains. Either way, the Virginia election looks like the first of many defeats in elections to come, as the GOP seeks to sell off chunks of its coalition like assets in yet another Trump bankruptcy.

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OUR VIEW

Lacy, Hilliard made road bond victory possible

On Fridays in this space we often give laurels to individuals in the community. Today, we want to give laurels to the people of Midland who stepped up and said "let's take care of a problem." Voting for an increase in property taxes is never an easy decision, especially in Midland, However, the electorate has often bucked the trend when they see a need.

The last three times the community weighed in on a bond of $100 million or more, the referendum has passed. On Tuesday, we received clear evidence again that Midlanders can listen to a detailed argument and provide a fair assessment. For as long as we can remember, this community has been fair – pass or fail — to those making the case for tax money.

Which brings us to the main point of this view – the road bond passed because of the work put in by Councilman J.Ross Lacy and by those on the road bond campaign team – specifically Brent Hilliard. Had there not been the 72 presentations to groups, companies, organizations and anyone else who would listen, there wouldn't have been the dissemination of information needed to make passage a reality. And had there not been the support from a campaign that got into the deep weeds of local electoral politics, there wouldn't have been the necessary turnout to pass propositions A and B.

The campaign specifically sought turnout and wanted educated voters. They had a solid plan and a spokesman who knew the ins and outs of the plan, road maintenance and Midland. It was a role-model campaign, just like Rosalind Redfern Grover's 2009 hospital bond campaign and the 2012 Midland ISD bond campaign.

Bad campaigns don't deliver landslide wins; it doesn't matter how worthy the cause. And if one goes back and takes an average of the three victorious $100 million bond elections (the hospital in 2009, MISD in 2012 and the road bond this year), the average margin of victory was 23.07 points. Winning elections by that margin isn't because of an electoral accident or issue of turnout. It's because voters delivered a resounding statement of what they wanted.

For those expecting a break from million-dollar decisions at the ballot box, 2018 and 2019 likely will not provide it. We have said it before that we expect as many as three tax elections in the next 18 to 24 months. Midland ISD, the city or even the hospital is likely to come calling with hat in hand, hoping the residents of Midland provide assistance in dealing with the growth Midland is experiencing now and expects in the future. That growth isn't subjective. It is real and will pose problems when it comes to education and infrastructure.

So, for those looking to come before the electorate, here is our message. You have no right to any tax dollars. You have to earn them. Have a detailed plan and a solid fact-based argument. Do better than some have done before, and if you need guidance, contact people whose campaigns were successful. Failure to do any of these things will result in a less-engaged electorate, a less enthusiastic community, a lower turnout and possibly an electoral loss when our community might need it the least.

The losses in the tax ratification election in October 2016 and the type-4B sales tax election in May don't have to define our community. Hilliard and Lacy helped us see that. It takes hard work by people willing to make a sound and inspired argument. So the question moving forward for those looking to make a pitch is: "Are you up to it?" If you are, there are Midland voters willing to listen.

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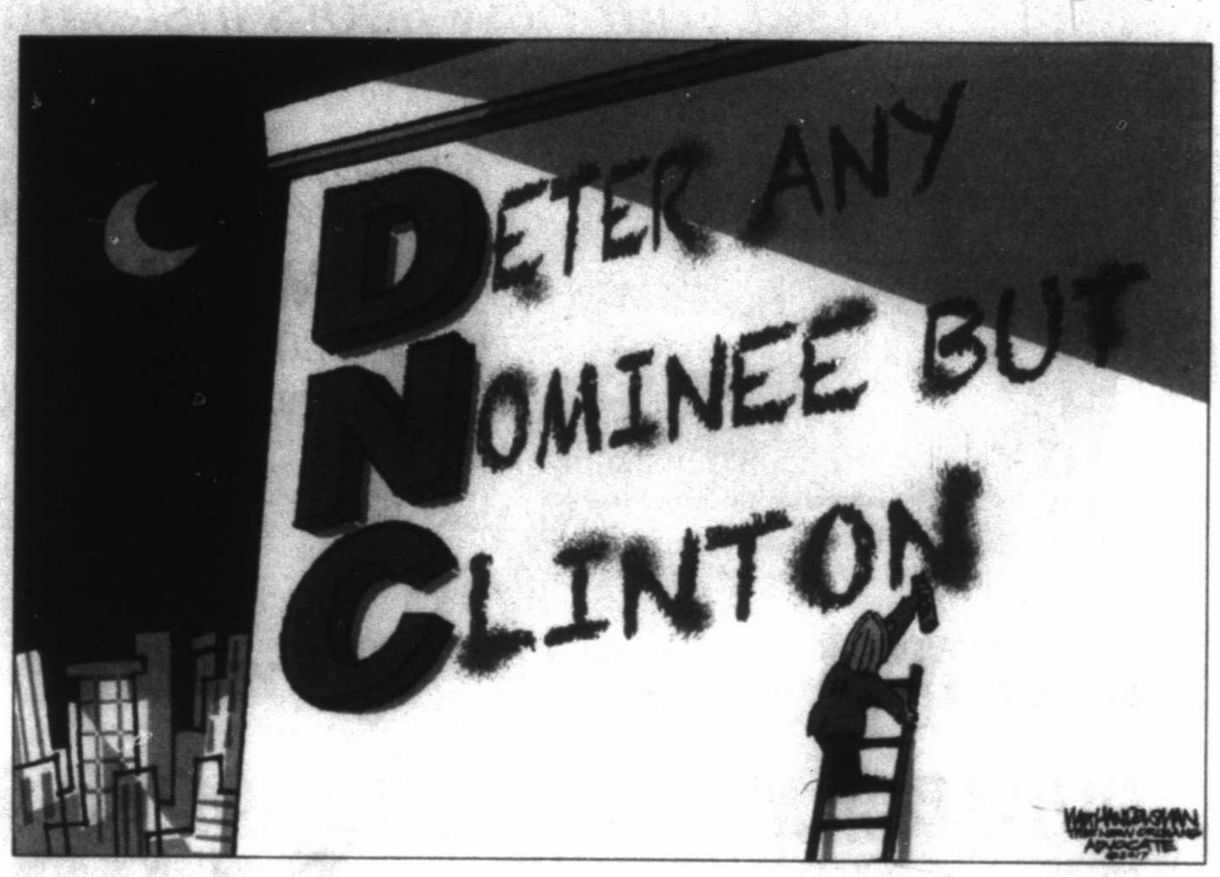

There is no anything 'without Trump'

■ The Virginia race revealed a problem with the Trumpism-without-Trump construct — namely, that it's not really possible

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Ed Gillespie went from potential vindicator of Trumpism to "cuckservative" in the space of a couple of hours.

The Virginia Republican, campaigning in a treacherous political environment defined by an unpopular president of his own party, ran the only race he reasonably could. He distanced himself from Donald Trump personally, hoping to lessen his losses in heavily Democratic Northern Virginia, while hitting some Trumpian notes on crime and immigration to appeal to the president's base.

As of last week, Gillespie looked to be gaining fast on Democrat Ralph Northam. Former Trump adviser Steve Bannon, the self-declared keeper of the Trumpist flame, believed Gillespie had cracked the code by fashioning a "Trumpism without Trump."

At least that was the party line until Gillespie lost. Then he became an establishment tool who had betrayed Trumpism and the president.

The hypocrisy of the Bannon faction aside, the Virginia race revealed a problem with the Trumpism-without-Trump construct — namely, that it's not really possible.

First, it's not going to be convincing to Trump-haters. Ed Gillespie is not the slightest bit Trumpy. He is earnest, wonky and friendly. When he distanced himself from Trump, it was credible because he hadn't been close to Trump to begin with. He had never met him, and all of Trump's support on Twitter was unsolicited.

None of this made the slightest difference to voters in Northern Virginia, where Northam racked up margins bigger than Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama. These people weren't showing up to send a message to Gillespie, the otherwise unthreatening candidate who happened to run a barrage of negative ads against Northam (not the first time this has happened in electoral politics). They were showing up to send a message to Trump, whom they believe is a clear and present danger to all that they hold dear.

So as a sheer political matter, there can be no such thing as Trumpism without Trump, or Anti-Trumpism without Trump, or Anything Else without Trump.

It is difficult enough for a candidate to run away from a conventional president of his own party; it is going be even harder with a president who dominates the media to an extent no other president has, and courts — nay, enjoys — radioactive controversies.

Then there is the other, opposite problem: that Trumpism without Trump won't be fully acceptable to Trumpists. They talk a lot about the "Trump agenda," although what this means is vague. How could Gillespie have run on it more to their satisfaction? Promise to build a wall and have Mexico pay for it? To implement extreme vetting? To hire the best people and make the best deals?

The fact is that the Trump legislative agenda is entirely conventional (certainly Gillespie has no problem with it), and what sets Trump apart is his populist, guy-on-a-barstool persona and perpetual combativeness.

This is what his loyalists ultimately want everyone to sign up for, the personality. As Trump himself put it in a particularly classless tweet immediately after the Virginia result, Gillespie "did not embrace me or what I stand for."

In theory, Trumpism without Trump is the right direction for the GOP. It should learn from his populist, nationalistic appeal while avoiding its (and his) excesses.

In practice, Trump himself is going to loom all the larger in the party. He is the main issue in American politics, and he may be the only Republican fit to weather the storm — he has a proven ability to turn out his voters, he doesn't have to win elections in nonpresidential years, and his persona works for him, if not for anyone else. If the worst comes and Republicans lose both houses of Congress next year, Trump's importance will be further magnified as the only Republican standing between Democrats and unified control of the federal government.

In that circumstance, Republican voters would probably be much more willing to embrace Trump without Trumpism, rather than the opposite.

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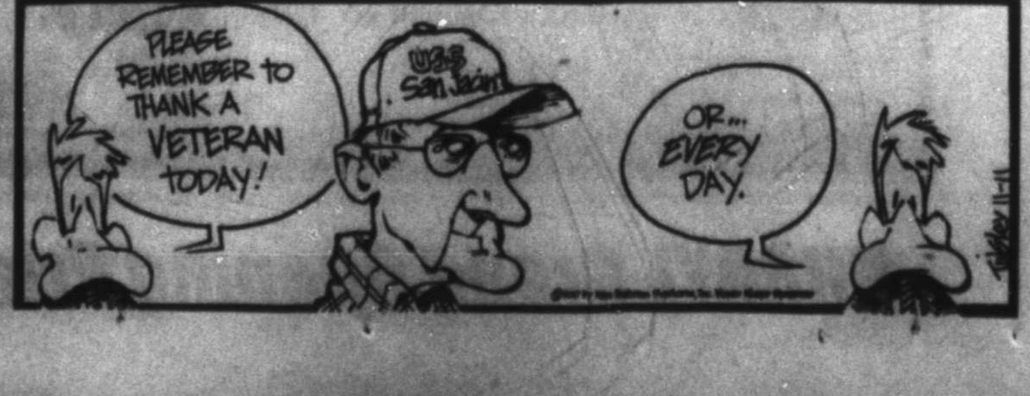

GOP leaders live with consequences of Trump's domination of base

DAN BALZ
Washington Post

The Republican Party has been plunged into ever more turmoil, thanks to the outcome of the off-year election in Virginia, the results of contests elsewhere around the country and an allegation of sexual misconduct against Roy Moore, the party's candidate for Senate in Alabama.

The Virginia gubernatorial campaign illustrated the Republican dilemma as it morphs into becoming the party of Trump. For Ed Gillespie, the attempt at a balancing act proved awkward and ultimately unsuccessful. A candidate with deep roots in the establishment wing of the party, he tried, after receiving a scare in the primary from a pro-Trump opponent, to become more Trumpian.

The controversy over whether Moore should step aside in the face of the recounting of episodes of sexual misconduct backed up by on-the-record interviews highlights the waning power of GOP leaders to affect the party's fortunes and the split with the Republican ranks about how to deal with such problems. Moore has denied the allegations.

In Virginia, Gillespie's strategy didn't work. He lost to Democrat Ralph Northam by an unexpectedly wide margin of nine points. The margin of defeat has rightly rattled Republicans who wonder whether this portends an anti-Trump wave in next year's midterm elections. The size of Northam's margins among women (22 points) and voters under age 45 (30 points) should add significantly to those concerns.

Virginia is not the nation. It has been trending blue for some time. Its population includes more college graduates than many states and the proximity to the nation's capital affects attitudes about the federal government. It is not Pennsylvania or Michigan or Wisconsin, states with different electorates as the 2016 results demonstrated. But as the principal data point staring at Republicans this weekend, Virginia illustrates why the debate about the party's fate under Trump will accelerate. There are no easy answers.

The president had an instant opinion about what went wrong in Virginia. He weighed in with a tweet of displeasure at Gilliespie's campaign almost instantly after Northam was declared the winner. Gillespie's mistake was not embracing Trump more fully, the president said from South Korea. In one sense, the president is correct: Among Republicans, taking on the president can extract a very high price. It's the rest of the electorate that worries party leaders looking to next year.

All that could be compounded by the unfolding Alabama story and the question of whether Moore will hold firm and continue his candidacy. Whether he stays or goes, the party faces more internal division.

Republicans have been dealing with a split between their establishment wing and a populist insurgency for some time. This is a function of the widening socioeconomic coalition that now comprises the Republican Party, a coalition that includes what used to be called country club Republicans; evangelical Christians, who became a powerful force inside the party beginning with Ronald Reagan (and who are no longer a monolithic political force) and a 21st century version of what once were called Reagan Democrats. Trump has added an additional layer.

The tea party was a manifestation of the tensions within the party. Its rise in 2010 produced some of the same kinds of divisions that former White House chief strategist Steve Bannon is trying to generate today — dissatisfaction aimed at the party's Washington leadership.

Before there was Candidate Trump, the Republicans were embroiled in a different kind of debate about their future. That dispute was symbolized by the presidential candidacies of Sens. Marco Rubio of Florida and Ted Cruz. Cruz represented the view that the party should double down on its conservative values and rally what he said was its silent, conservative base. Rubio envisioned an appeal designed to expand the GOP coalition in a different way, by attracting more Latinos and younger voters.

The argument was a response to Barack Obama's victories in 2008 and 2012. Cruz said the party lost those elections not because Republican policies and ideas were too conservative and its appeal too narrow. He argued that the problem was that Sen. John McCain in 2008 and former Massachusetts governor Mitt Romney in 2012 were sufficiently or authentically conservative. It was Cruz's belief that there were in fact millions of conservative voters who were on the sidelines because their presidential nominees were not true conservative champions.

Rubio had a different vision, grounded in the changing demographics of the country and concerns that a party dependent on white voters for 85 to 90 percent of its support, as the GOP has become, would have a diminished future as the nation's population became increasingly diverse. Rubio and others argued that the votes needed to win the White House could be found among those rising populations, if the party presented itself as open and welcoming to them, with policies to match.

Candidate Trump ran roughshod over those issues and questions. He attracted his own coalition, found a path through the states in the upper Midwest that secured his electoral college victory, and along the way rewrote the rules for how a Republican could win the presidency.

Now the party is at an inflection point, brought about by the president's electoral success and the reactions of both Democrats, Republicans and independents to what has happened in the year since that victory. Can they prosper if they truly become the party of Trump? Or are they more likely to suffer losses in midterm elections because, whether they do or not, they are now seen as the party of Trump.

Congressional Republicans hope that passing a tax bill will ease public frustrations with their performance and boost their chances in 2018, but something larger is at work in the way voters are seeing the stakes of a Trump presidency.

One question is whether the coalition that Trump assembled in 2016 is his and uniquely his. Democrats found there can be a huge difference between perceptions of a president and his party. Backed by the enthusiastic support of young voters and minorities, including historic turnout among African Americans, Obama twice won the presidency with a majority of the vote.

Meanwhile, his party suffered devastating losses in midterm elections in 2010 and 2014 and the presidential election of 2016. It became clear that the Obama coalition was not easily transferrable to other Democratic candidates, as Hillary Clinton learned last year. As a result, by 2017, the party no longer controlled the White House, the House or the Senate, held fewer than a third of the nation's governorships and had lost power in state legislatures across the country. Democrats are still trying to recover from that, the Virginia election notwithstanding.

Perhaps it's the same for the Trump coalition. It's possible that, no matter how much they embrace him, other Republican candidates will not be able to generate the kind of energy for themselves that Trump did for his candidacy. Meanwhile, as the Virginia race showed, voters dissatisfied with the president — particularly women — appear highly motivated to turn out to register their unhappiness.

In the days after the Virginia election, SurveyMonkey, the online polling firm, asked people whether they thought the Republicans should become the party of Trump or fight against becoming the party of Trump. Among Republicans and Republican-leaning independents, almost 8 in 10 said the GOP should become the party of Trump. The rest of the electorate strongly disagrees.

The implications of that are clear, as Gillespie found during the Virginia race. For Republican candidates, crossing the president risks the ire of the Trump base and depressed turnout. Embracing him too fully risks energizing the opposition. Trump won't be on the ballot until 2020. In the meantime, he has made the GOP his party, and those who share the label are left to deal with the consequences.

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During Veterans Day celebrations, BBB warns of scammers who target veterans

Veterans Day is this weekend and many across the U.S. will take the time to honor those who offered their services to our country. However, Better Business Bureau warns that veterans are often targets of savvy scammers since most former military members receive steady government benefits over their lifetime.

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Fake charities — Unfortunately, there are fake charities with real-sounding names that are out to swindle good people looking to help our country's veterans. The organization's name may reference the Armed Forces, veterans or military families, but that doesn't mean they are affiliated with legitimate organizations at all. To tell the difference between a fake charity and a real one, keep the following in mind:

■ Copycats: Beware of charities that have similar names to other organizations, but with the words in a different order.

■ Vague descriptions: Organizations that don't have a clear mission statement or outline of how they're helping veterans posted on their website should be avoided. True charities will proudly explain how donated funds are serving veterans and state how and where money is being used.

■ Aggressive telemarketers: Although phone fundraisers can be helpful for organizations that are working to support veterans, calls that aggressively ask for donations are a red flag. Ask for a contact number or an online reference if the unsolicited call seems suspicious and take time to research charities before making that donation.

To help combat these scams, BBB Military Line provides free specialized education and support services for active and retired military members and their families. For more information on this program, go to bbb.org/military. For those who have not served but are interested in supporting a veteran or military charity, it is important to verify the legitimacy of an organization. Find BBB Accredited Charities at give.org.

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For more consumer information, BBB Business Reviews or to file a complaint, visit your local Better Business Bureau online at bbb.org/central-texas.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Neighborhood is on alert for mailbox wrecker

I wonder if the man in the jacked-up black pickup gave any thought to the consequences. During the night, three mailboxes were mowed down in such a way that they were scattered for 25 feet or so. MPD was called but Officer Pool said there wasn't anything that they could do (and we could) file an insurance claim.

The next evening, a witness saw the driver deliberately take aim and plow down five more mailboxes on the next street. Two men tried to follow him but lost him. Again, we were told (the police) couldn't do anything. I'm sure there are lots of valid reasons as to why they can't do anything.

I live on Mockingbird Lane. We are a small, relatively quiet neighborhood. Besides the expense of having another mailbox installed and not having any mail for four days, knowing that this man is driving around doing more damage is very frustrating.

The other five mail boxes are on Tattenham Corner. The neighborhood is on alert, so hopefully, we can get a license number.

My thoughts on this: I wonder if he makes his mom and dad proud.

He lives in the area because he speeds, driving recklessly up and down Mockingbird Lane at all hours.

Winn Stovall

Now is time for gun control solutions

There are those who say this is not the time to discuss gun control measures. I disagree. This is the time to not only discuss it, but to take steps to implement changes that will protect citizens from the kind of violence unleashed recently.

We must stand for change that will make a difference. This is not a question of whether we, as citizens, have the right to bear arms. This is a question of what we can do to minimize the risk involved when weapons are sold without careful scrutiny. This is not a closed subject to be avoided because it is uncomfortable.

What is uncomfortable is knowing that anyone can obtain the type of weapons that can do maximum harm to others. We cannot pretend that a solution is not possible. It is possible, and we must do all we can to initiate a change of our mindset.

Think for once about solutions. Anything worthwhile is worth the effort. Saving one life is worth the effort. Do not close the door of your minds to old ways of thinking. Open your mind to seeking solutions. Please.

So very sorry for the loss of life, for the injuries of those who were wounded and for the fact that this is a continuing part of our human experience.

Will stricter laws to ban such weapons solve all the violence? Unfortunately, no. But if one life is saved because it is much harder to obtain such weapons, then the effort will be worth it.

Kathy Johnston

MDC — Time to pack up the tent?

Is it time for the MDC to pack up their tent? Rather than increasing growth, they are just needlessly increasing the burden on taxpayers. It is so easy to spend other people's money and this (XCOR) is just one more case in point. Further, this is not piling on after the fact as my first, thought when the XCOR deal was announced was — "how misguided is this?"

I would suspect they (the MDC directors) thought a spaceport would be a real attraction but they had to realize that such a venture was a very high-risk proposition and thus a reckless decision, given their stated mission (see below). Usually, risk and reward have some relationship but in this instance, I think MDC got so caught up in the very long-term possibilities of XCOR that the practicality of such an investment in questionable technology and unproven market acceptance was ignored. In other words, an understanding of the business model (revenue generation) was not fully appreciated.

Consider the following (quoted directly from the MDC) —

"The Midland Development Corporation (MDC) promotes the City of Midland and incentivizes qualified employers who create and retain a diversified job market in the greater Midland, Texas, region. MDC promotes business expansion and job creation through an established business climate and a strong community. MDC is an effective steward of sales tax revenue to efficiently grow Midland's economic stability and the quality of life."

How can they (MDC) claim to be incentivizing qualified employers and be passing themselves off as effective stewards of sales tax revenue? The new chairman is probably well intended but I see the posture and contributions of the MDC to be upside down as to benefits and costs. I hope they fully understand sunk costs and disband immediately. Short of shutting down, I would certainly hope they (the directors of the MDC) personally pay for the removal of those now embarrassing airport (spaceport) signs by sundown.

William C. Green

PRO "Are more natural gas pipelines needed to supply energy to cold weather areas this winter?" CON

Cold weather areas need more energy pipelines

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WASHINGTON — Hundreds of thousands of miles of oil and natural gas pipelines criss-cross the United States, safely delivering the energy that fuels transportation, powers manufacturing and keeps the lights on at homes and businesses.

Beyond keeping affordable energy moving to homes, schools, hospitals and manufacturers, energy infrastructure plays an integral role in job creation, economic growth and the reliability of the electric grid.

The U.S. energy resurgence has added stability to world energy markets, putting downward pressure on prices and shielding Americans from overseas disruptions.

The United States leads the world in producing and refining oil and natural gas, but that wouldn't mean much if we didn't have infrastructure capacity to transport affordable energy throughout the nation.

Building pipelines and other infrastructure to keep pace with growing production could support up to 1,047,000 jobs each year on average through 2035.

Eighty-one percent of American voters support expanding U.S. energy infrastructure, no doubt driven by recognition of the economic benefits.

Less recognized is the role energy infrastructure plays in reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. Carbon emissions from power generation have dipped to near 30-year lows due almost entirely to greater use of clean natural gas — delivered largely by pipeline.

Natural gas is now the leading source of power generation in the United States, and the clean fuel is prized in the power sector not only due to its affordability and environmental benefits but its reliability.

Reliability means the continued operation of the electric grid, and power plants that run on natural gas provide constantly running power and can quickly adjust to efficiently meet the changing power needs throughout the day.

That flexibility and other unique attributes make natural gas a fuel of choice to help ensure that customers are paying for efficient, responsive and affordable energy.

Then there's the geographic diversity of the natural gas supply system. Providing for multiple flows in all directions across the country, the natural gas production and transportation network has helped to mitigate disruptions, such as construction, maintenance and even extreme weather events like Hurricane Harvey.

When natural gas systems were shut down in the Houston area and large parts of the Gulf Coast due to the storm, the geographic diversity of natural gas operations kept supplies flowing and prices stable.

Whether its natural gas heading to the power plant or crude oil destined for the refinery and on to your gas tank, energy infrastructure ties it all together — safely. The most recent data show both liquid and natural gas pipelines deliver their products at a safety rate of 99.999 percent.

Government projections show we'll need more natural gas and oil to meet energy demand in the coming decades, even if use of renewables increases significantly.

It's no wonder a recent study shows that costs for the average American household could jump $4,550 in 2040 if the U.S. imposed drastic restrictions like halting production and blocking infrastructure construction.

On the other hand, the strength of U.S. natural gas and oil production helped households save an average $1337 on utility bills and other energy-related expenses in 2015 while drivers saved over $550 at the pump alone.

With winter weather on the way, household energy expenses are particularly important, as regions with pipeline constraints know all too well.

Failure to approve needed infrastructure is a big factor impacting costs in the northeastern U.S., which is home to seven of the top 10 most expensive states for electricity costs.

Unless the region invests in energy infrastructure to connect it to nearby energy supplies, the region's households and businesses could see an estimated $5.4 billion in higher energy costs by 2020, according to a study from the New England Coalition for Affordable Energy.

The choice seems pretty clear. When you peel away the politics and focus on the facts, pipelines are a win for jobs, consumer savings and energy reliability.

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In era of climate change, don't build unnecessary pipelines

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GREEN BAY, Wis. — The fossil fuel industry has been exceptionally influential this year, persuading a receptive Trump administration and Congress to give it weakened environmental and health regulations, expanded mining and drilling on public lands and greater use of coal-fired power plants.

Now it is using the impacts of hurricanes that lashed the Houston area and South Florida to argue for expanding its oil and gas pipelines to assure uninterrupted supplies.

Certainly, increased resiliency in energy infrastructure is desirable, but we must look also to the less visible but real damage caused by our addiction to fossil fuels.

What about those new pipelines? Massive storms can inflict serious damage on pipelines as well as on electric power grids and roads, as we saw in Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico. Thus the oil and gas industry is wise to reassess the stability of current pipelines to assure adequate supplies of fuel during and after emergencies.

For the same reasons, every city in the nation should rethink the vulnerability of its infrastructure given forecasts of increased storm severity. Many of them already are doing so as they consider innovative urban design changes.

However, it is equally important to reconsider the viability of our entire energy system. Currently, about 80 percent of our energy comes from fossil fuels: coal, oil and natural gas.

In light of the well-documented risks of climate change, confirmed by the National Climate Assessment released last week, we need to move toward a more diversified set of energy sources.

Fortunately, that is indeed what many nations are doing, notwithstanding efforts by the fossil fuel industry to portray such actions falsely as harmful to jobs or economic growth. More than half of the electrical generating capacity the U.S. added to its grid last year came from renewable energy, as did nearly two-thirds of new global generating capacity. These developments reflect a remarkable transformation in energy technology.

We could be doing even better if the Trump administration would end its misguided actions to disguise the reality of climate change. It continues to suppress scientific research on climate change, block government scientists from speaking about it, and scrub federal agency websites of its mention.

The administration also promotes inefficient fossil fuel sources over clean energy. For example, Rick Perry's Department of Energy is proposing a rule to increase subsidies for non-competitive and aging coal and nuclear power plants while arguing that subsidies for renewable energy ought to be curtailed.

DOE says that the rule enhances the "reliability and resiliency" of the power grid. But it does not, as a DOE study makes clear. Another nonpartisan study found that the rule could cost billions of dollars a year while benefitting relatively few companies with older power plants.

Two conclusions stand out.

One is that if the fossil fuel industry needs to build additional oil and gas pipelines to minimize loss of service during emergencies, it should do so. But federal and state governments also should insist that that the industry meet reasonable requirements to minimize environmental damage and risks to public health.

The second is that we should put such decisions into the context of credible climate forecasts and the imperative to turn our energy system in a different direction that will assure long-term public health, safety and economic strength.

We will be reliant on oil and natural gas resources for a long time, particularly gasoline for transportation.

Even so, it would be smart to increase funding now for research on non-carbon energy technologies, promote them in a competitive marketplace, and reevaluate our infrastructure to assure its reliability in an uncertain future.

The sooner we recognize these challenges, the more time we have to get it right and to help minimize what could be enormous adverse impacts on the economy and society.

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Republicans are in trouble

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Special to the Washington Post

Republicans need to hurry for two reasons. First, if Republicans don't pass meaningful legislation, it is unlikely they will maintain their majority in the House or the Senate. Second, Republicans need to hurry because history alone suggests they will lose their majority in 2018.

Everything so far suggests a losing cycle. If Ed Gillespie winning in Virginia would have been a good omen for the midterms, what does Gillespie losing badly say about the midterms?

Let's remember, in American politics, what is supposed to happen tends to happen. And in Virginia, gubernatorial races tend to favor the candidate whose party is not in the White House. In fact, since 1977, the incumbent president's party has lost every Virginia gubernatorial election with just one exception in 2013.

Also, remember that in modern history, midterms spell trouble for the president's party in Congress. If President Donald Trump's approval rating were anywhere near 50 percent, perhaps the outlook in the House would not be so bleak. When presidents are above 50 percent, their party loses an average of 14 seats in the House in the midterms compared with an average loss of 36 seats when presidents are below 50 percent. But Trump's approval rating is at 38.2 percent and there is no sign of it approaching 50 percent anytime soon.

So, from a historical perspective alone, Republicans are in trouble. But in Trump's case, losing the majority will be particularly problematic. Democratic activists and the president's opponents in Congress and in the media want blood. They want payback. They want more than just stalled nominations and roadblocks to legislation. They despise Trump so much that they want him persecuted, prosecuted and removed from office. They want his personal fortune revealed and diminished, his family tormented and their brand crushed.

With all the spite directed his way, one would think Trump might focus his attention on making real changes. If he were capable and more self-aware, he would be in a panic to pass tax reform — not just to check a box as a legislative accomplishment, but to add fuel to the economy. If anything can save the GOP, it is a real spike in economic growth.

Along with that, just to state the obvious, Trump should work to improve his personal popularity. Many voters who are normally part of the GOP coalition have given up on him and concluded that he is not only a drag on Republican policies and Republican candidate recruitment, but also at the ballot box itself. Trump has every reason to want to make this situation better. But will he?

According to my old boss, Edward J. Rollins of the pro-Trump Great America Alliance super PAC, "The White House isn't paying attention to the suburbs, and there has never really been a political operation there. They have to develop a strategy where it's not just Trump alone winning, where the whole party is able to win." Well said. I would add that a lot of what appeals to suburban Republicans would be a change in the tone and daily dose of diatribes coming directly from our president.

Impossible, you say? I'm not looking for the long-lost Trump pivot, but as the saying goes, "when a man knows he is to be hanged in a fortnight, it concentrates his mind wonderfully." Again, he needs to hurry.

Anyway, while the results in Virginia were predictable, they should still serve as an alarm - an alarm that confirms we, Republicans, are headed for a cliff. And given this president's vulnerabilities, he should be particularly eager to alter course and avoid the calamity that is coming into view.

Simply put, between historical tides, modest accomplishments and an unpopular president, Republicans will lose in 2018 unless they fundamentally change their trajectory.

Lee fails to deliver in highly anticipated showdown

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The 59th meeting between the Lee and Odessa Permian football teams Friday night at Grande Communications Stadium had the potential to be one of rivalry's most memorable.

The Rebels, who had hadn't beaten the Panthers since 2013, seemed to have all the momentum through most of the first quarter. Facing a Permian offense annually lauded for its physical veer scheme, the Lee defense made a stop on the game's opening drive and then turned around to take a 7-0 lead.

Quarterback Colby Standard was on fire early, with runs of 24 and 34 yards on Lee's scoring drive. He connected with Jordan McDonald for a 20-yard pass and then later broke the plane with a 1-yard touchdown run that had the Rebel faithful in celebration.

But the rest of the evening was an utter nightmare for Lee in a 42-7 loss. It was the Rebels' third largest margin of defeat against Permian

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Bulldogs never gave up to make it back to the playoffs

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High school athletics teaches valuable life lessons, and the 2017 Midland High football team learned to never give up, no matter how bad circumstances might be.

On the first week of October, the Bulldogs were dealing with their program's worst start at 0-5 since the 1993 season.

It would have been easy for MHS to succumb to the outside negativity and mail it in, but this group of players and coaches stuck together and kept fighting.

With their backs against the wall, the Bulldogs won three of their final five games, and clinched District 2-6A's final playoff spot with a 31-28 road win over Odessa High Friday in a do-or-die scenario.

Instead of being on the bad side of history, this MHS senior class accomplished a noteworthy feat by becoming the first Bulldog team to reach the playoffs in four straight years.

"I want our seniors to be a part of that

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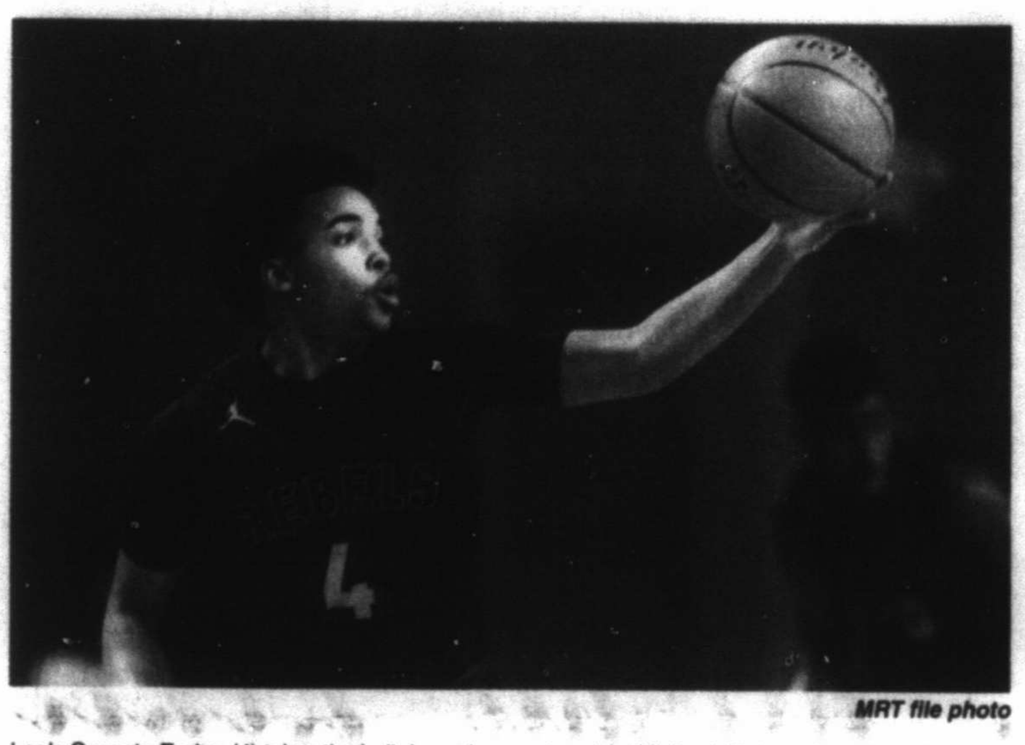
BOYS HS BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Stepping up for the team



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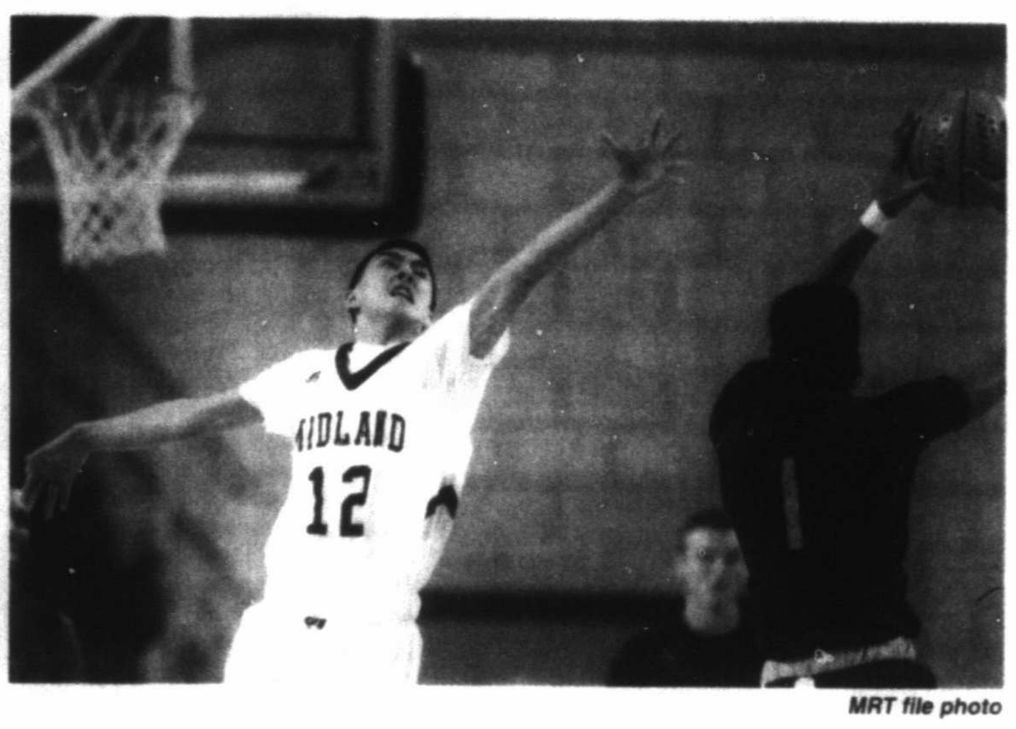
Lee's Cevonte Eaden (4) takes the ball down the court against Midland High on Jan. 17, at Chaparral Center.



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Midland High's Nic Terrazas (12) guards Lee's Sema'J Davis (1) on Jan. 17, 2017 at Chaparral Center.

Eaden takes on leadership role with young Rebels

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In the hallways and classrooms of Lee High School, Cevonte Eaden often keeps to himself, directing most of his effort toward maintaining his grades and getting through a busy day.

But on the basketball court, Eaden is a bit more talkative than normal.

Eaden, a senior guard and one of five returning varsity players for the Rebels' boys basketball team, knows he'll be called upon to become a vocal presence on the floor. He'll aim to combine his above-average basketball IQ with stronger communication to help the Lee program – with 10 newcomers — continue to build in the right direction after an improved nine-win season in 2016-17.

"I'm very excited," Eaden said when asked about the prospects for this year's team. "There are a lot of new faces on the team this year. So the guys that have been here, we have to help our (new) teammates to get them ready for the gar...s."

The Rebels open their new season 7:30 p.m. Tuesday when they travel to traditional Class 4A power Abilene Wylie.

Eaden, who transferred from Mansfield Summit after his freshman and sophomore years with the Jaguars, served primarily as the Rebels' sixth man off the bench last year. With his high energy play and a sweet stroke from the outside, he had the ability to change games when he took the floor.

Because he had transferred to Lee, he was still trying to find where he might have fit in with last season's Rebels roster. That, combined with his quiet and observant nature, led him to prefer a reserve role, perhaps with less attention.

But Lee head coach Justin Boswell said he'll be counting on Eaden – one of only three seniors with varsity experience — to take strides this year as both a player and a vocal leader. Throughout the offseason and since the start of official practice, he said Eaden's progress in that regard has been amazing.

"He's stepping up to be more of a vocal leader for us, because he played a lot for us, he made a lot of plays last year and he was our sixth man," Boswell said. "It is critical for us to have a leader and I just trust him – everybody does. We need to find some more guys to follow his lead.

"He has a great personality, he's very sociable and everybody likes him. Everybody respects him because he goes hard and you don't have to worry about him in the classroom, in the hallways. He is a top-notch kid."

Boswell added that it's Eaden's in-depth understanding of the game – something he honed while playing in the Metroplex's hoops mecca – that allows him to spend more of his time developing as a leader.

"He's knowledgeable – he knows, he understands, he asks questions, he'll speak up," Boswell said. "When you have someone with all those intangibles – we need that kid to step out on the limb and be a leader and it's tough. He's a great kid and I'm happy to coach him."

Eaden began playing basketball in the fifth grade and said it hasn't necessarily been easy for him to take that leadership

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Terrazas all in with growing Bulldogs' program

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The Midland High boys basketball team endured a fiercely emotional year last season that saw of plenty of euphoric highs and several gripping lows.

But through it all, Nic Terrazas never wavered in his commitment to his teammates and to the program. Terrazas, one of the then two sophomores who remained on the varsity roster for the entire season, impressed the MHS coaching staff with his concentration and character while the Bulldogs trudged through a 12-19 campaign.

"Nic is just a high character young man and he'll do anything it takes to benefit the team instead of the individual," said MHS head coach Shan Hooker. "Nic has experience – he stuck through the good, the bad and the ugly last year in the varsity season. He didn't want to quit, which speaks volumes. He just hung in there and he's going to reap the benefits of doing that."

The now 6-foot-1 junior guard is expected to be an on-court teacher and an important glue piece for one of the younger Bulldogs teams the program has produced in a few years. MHS opened its 2017-18 season with a 71-64 loss at Abilene High on Friday.

One of the hallmarks of Terrazas' profile on the court is his desire to play team-first basketball, a testament to his unselfish character. Last year, the Bulldogs possessed a trio of capable scorers in guards Ty Kendrick, Camran Rock and Courtney McMaryion. But MHS' offensive efficiency suffered at times due to low quality possessions and an inability to get everyone on the floor involved.

Terrazas is hoping to help change that, beginning with a freshly positive attitude and belief that has permeated the team.

"It's great this year – everyone is positive, everybody is a pass-first player and we're really great with the ball movement and just playing as a team as a whole," Terrazas said. "It's just a great unit this year. Everything is running smoothly."

Hooker is seeing that camaraderie himself. He said it's a theme on his roster.

"They like sharing the ball with one another," Hooker said. "I don't think we have anyone on this team who is in it just for themselves. The team concept – That's going to be a great thing this year."

Terrazas said one of the reasons he remained committed to the program through last season was because of the promise he saw in the younger players who would soon be rising to the varsity level. It's why he spent extra time in the gym and in the weight room this summer, as he envisioned where this year's and next year's squads could be headed.

"My teammates – my teammates are everything, man," said Terrazas, who scored six points in Friday's loss. "They help me out there and I help them. Our future is really bright and with our younger players, they are looking really good as well."

Right in line with his expected increased role this season, Terrazas' own development has soared. It's his growing confidence in himself that stands out to Hooker.

"He's starting to really shoot the ball

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DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

Canadian Football League
Saskatchewan at Ottawa, Noon, ESPN2
Edmonton at Winnipeg, 3:30 p.m., ESPN2

College Basketball
Jacksonville at Georgetown, 11 a.m., FSN (FSSW)
Monmouth at Seton Hall, 12:30 p.m., FS1
George Mason at Louisville, 1 p.m., FSSW
Omaha at Oklahoma, 2 p.m., FSSW+, FCSC
Vermont at Kentucky, 2:30 p.m., ESPN
Chicago State at Purdue, 3 p.m., BTN
UT Martin at Illinois, 5 p.m., ESPNU
Bucknell at Arkansas, 5 p.m., SEC
Yale at Wisconsin, 5 p.m., BTN
Princeton at Butler, 5 p.m., CBSSN
Alcorn State at Creighton, 6 p.m., FS1
Howard at Indiana, 7 p.m., BTN

National Basketball Association
Dallas at Oklahoma City, 6 p.m., FSSW NBA G-League Grand Rapids at Long Island, 2 p.m., NBAtv

National Football League
Minnesota at Washington, Noon, FOX
Houston at LA Rams, 3 p.m., CBS
Dallas at Atlanta, 3:25 p.m., FOX
New England at Denver, 7:30 p.m., NBC

National Hockey League
Toronto at Boston, 6 p.m., NHL

Women's Soccer
Friendly: USA vs. Canada, 6 p.m., FS1

RADIO
National Basketball Association
Dallas at Oklahoma City, 6 p.m., KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)

National Football League
Houston at LA Rams, 3 p.m., KCRS 95.5 FM/97.5 FM/550 AM, KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)
Dallas at Atlanta, 3:25 p.m., KQRX 95.1 FM, KBEST 95.7 FM (Big Spring), KTXC 104.7 FM (Esp)

TRANSACTIONS

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
MEMPHIS GRIZZLIES — Recalled C Deyonta Davis and G/F Wayne Selden Jr. from Memphis (NBAGL).

FOOTBALL
National Football League
CINCINNATI BENGALS — Placed HB Jeremy Hill on injured reserve. Waived PK Marshall Koehn. Signed S Brandon Wilson and DT Josh Tupou from the practice squad.
DETROIT LIONS — Waived WR Jace Billingsley. Activated OT Taylor Decker from the PUP list and OT Corey Robinson from injured reserve.
GREEN BAY PACKERS — Released LB Derrick Mathews from the practice squad.
MIAMI DOLPHINS — Placed OT Ja'Wuan James on injured reserve. Activated S T.J. McDonald from suspension.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Signed DL Geneo Grissom to the practice squad. Released OL Anthony Fabiano from the practice squad.
NEW YORK GIANTS — Waived TE Matt LaCosse. Signed FB Shane Smith from the practice squad.
NEW YORK JETS — Waived/injured DL Ed Stinson. Signed WR/PR JoJo Natson from the practice squad and CB Michael Hunter to the practice squad.
WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Waived G Tyler Catalina. Placed DL Arthur Jones on injured reserve. Signed DL Brandon Banks and WR Maurice Harris from the practice squad.

National Hockey League
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Reassigned G Collin Delia from Rockford (AHL) to Indy (ECHL).

LOCAL PAIRINGS

HS FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Class 6A Division I
Lee (District 2 No. 2, 8-2) at El Paso El Dorado (District 1 No. 1, 7-3), 5:30 p.m. Friday, Socorro ISD Student Activities Center, El Paso

Class 6A Division II
Midland High (District 2 No. 2, 3-7) at El Paso Montwood (District 1 No. 1, 9-1), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Socorro ISD Student Activities Center, El Paso

Class 4A Division I
Andrews (District 2 No. 1, 8-2) vs. Borger (District 1 No. 4, 2-7), 7 p.m. Thursday, Wolforth Frenship

Class 4A Division II
Greenwood (District 2 No. 4, 6-4) vs. Bushland (District 1 No. 1, 8-2), 7:30 p.m., Lowrey Field, Lubbock

Class 3A Division II
Stanton (District 2 No. 4, 2-8) vs. Canadian (District 1 No. 1, 10-0), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Pitview
Coahoma (District 2 No. 2, 7-3) vs. Spearman (District 1 No. 3, 5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Plainview

Class 1A Division I
Garden City (District 6 No. 1, 8-2) vs. Klondike (District 5 No. 2, 6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Blackwell
Rankin (District 7 No. 2, 8-2) vs. Water Valley (District 8 No. 1, 5-5), 8 p.m. Friday, Robert Lee

TAPPS Division II
Tyler Grace Community (District 2 No. 3, 5-5) at Midland Christian (District 1 No. 2, 7-3), 1 p.m. Saturday, Gordon Awtry Field

LATE HS FOOTBALL BOXES

LUBBOCK CHRISTIAN 59, TRINITY 0

Trinity	0	0	0	0	–0
L. Christian	14	10	28	7	–59

First Quarter
LC – A. Timmons 7 run (R. Torres kick), 9:12
LC – H. Pitaniello 1 run (Torres kick), 2:14

Second Quarter
LC – Z. Lott 20 pass from Timmons (Torres kick), 9:24
LC – FG Torres 42, 5:49

Third Quarter
LC – A. Lack 10 run (Torres kick), 11:33
LC – B. Martin 25 pass from Lack (Torres kick), 9:27
LC – Lack 11 run (Torres kick), 6:30
LC – E. Kitten interception return (Torres kick), 4:17

Fourth Quarter
LC – Lack 81 run (Torres kick), 7:50

	Trinity	LC
First downs	10	17
Rushes-yards	34-58	24-193
Comp.-Att.-Int	6-13-1	7-12-0
Passing yards	15	88
Fumbles-lost	4-2	0-0
Punts-avg.	6-20.3	0-0.0
Penalties-yards	9-55	6-60

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING – Trinity, Jonathan Duke 16-63; Gus Phillips 9-21, Ethan Le 1-2, Jude Garcia 3-0, Dawson Butts 5-(-28); Lubbock Christian A. Lack 4-117, A. Timmons 13-41, H. Pitaniello 4-20, E. Timmons 3-15.
PASSING – Trinity, Butts 6-13-1–15; Lubbock Christian, Timmons 6-11-0–63, Lack 1-1-0–25
RECEIVING – Trinity, Le 2-10, Duke 3-5, Garcia 1-0; Lubbock Christ'an, B. Martin 1-25, Z. Lott 1-20, L. Cross 1-15, L. Griffin 1-13, Pitaniello 2-12, C. Howard 1-3.

COAHOMA 52, LUBBOCK ROOSEVELT 0

Coahoma	20	19	7	6	–52
Roosevelt	0	0	0	0	–0

First Quarter
CHS – Zach Schneider 18 run (Mason Moore kick), 9:57
CHS – Braden Pearson 1 run (kick failed), 6:53
CHS – Adam Clark 38 interception return (Moore kick), 6:45

Second Quarter
CHS – Pearson 23 run (kick failed), 8:33
CHS – Pearson 4 run (kick failed), 5:35
CHS – Schneider 4 run (Moore kick), 3:47

Third Quarter
CHS – Cage Clark 23 pass from Moore (Moore kick), 9:18

Fourth Quarter
CHS – Schneider 12 run (kick failed), 9:04

	CHS	LR
First downs	15	1
Rushes-yards	29-353	29-17
Comp.-Att.-Int	2-10-0	1-3-1
Passing yards	24	2
Fumbles-lost	1-0	3-1
Punts-avg.	2-46.5	9-28.2
Penalties-yards	4-37	1-5

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING – Coahoma, Zach Schneider 10-138, Braden Pearson 11-141, Zach Holmes 2-61, Mason Moore 2-1, Joe Escobedo 2-12, Landon Barber-Giran 2-0.
PASSING – Coahoma, Moore 1-8-0—23.
Schneider 1-2-0—1
RECEIVING – Coahoma, Gage Clark 1-23, Joe Manning 1-1

STAMFORD 38, FORSAN 27

Forsan	7	0	13	7	–27
Stamford	13	13	12	0	–38

Scoring summary unavailable

	Forsan	Stamford
Rushes-yards	38-99	34-312
Comp.-Att.-Int	15-29-1	14-23-0
Passing yards	197	127
Fumbles-lost	2-2	1-1
Punts-avg.	4-37.5	2-38.0

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
RUSHING – Forsan, Bryce Hergert 20-36, Jonathon Gabehart 9-36, Trey Brockman 7-17, Garrett Evans 1-7, Ehren Hilliger 1-3; Stamford, Steven Johnson 23-175, Peyton Bevel 6-86.
PASSING – Forsan, Hergert 15-29-1—197; Stamford, Bevel 14-23-0—127.
RECEIVING – Forsan, Hilliger 10-133, Evans 5-64; Stamford, Lonnie Appah 7-73, Johnson 5-36, Mitchell 1-13, Rudy Gutierrez 1-5.

NHL GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	17	13	2	2	28	69	45
Toronto	19	12	7	0	24	72	63
Ottawa	16	8	3	5	21	59	53
Detroit	18	8	8	2	18	49	51
Montreal	18	8	9	1	17	46	61
Boston	16	6	6	4	16	44	51
Buffalo	17	5	9	3	13	40	60
Florida	16	5	9	2	12	53	62

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
New Jersey	16	10	4	2	22	54	49
Columbus	18	10	7	1	21	55	50
Pittsburgh	19	9	7	3	21	50	68
N.Y. Islanders	17	9	6	2	20	60	55
N.Y. Rangers	18	9	7	2	20	60	59
Washington	17	9	7	1	19	51	52
Philadelphia	17	8	7	2	18	50	45
Carolina	15	8	5	4	16	41	43

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	18	13	4	1	27	58	44
Nashville	16	9	5	2	20	45	46
Winnipeg	15	8	4	3	19	48	45
Dallas	16	9	7	0	18	47	43
Chicago	17	8	7	2	18	48	42
Colorado	16	8	7	1	17	54	55
Minnesota	16	7	7	2	16	46	44

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	16	11	3	2	24	54	39
Vegas	16	10	5	1	21	57	48
Calgary	16	9	7	0	18	44	46
Vancouver	16	8	6	2	18	43	41
Anaheim	16	7	6	3	17	47	48
San Jose	14	8	6	0	16	37	35
Edmonton	16	6	9	1	13	37	50
Arizona	18	2	13	3	7	44	71

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

Saturday's Scores
N.Y. Rangers 4, Edmonton 2
Ottawa 4, Colorado 3
Montreal 2, Buffalo 1, OT
Toronto 4, Boston 1
Columbus 2, Detroit 1, SO
Minnesota 1, Philadelphia 0
Chicago 4, Carolina 3, OT
New Jersey 2, Florida 1
N.Y. Islanders 5, St. Louis 2
Nashville 5, Pittsburgh 4, SO
Winnipeg at Arizona, late
Vancouver at San Jose, late

Today's Games
New Jersey at Chicago, 6 p.m.
Edmonton at Washington, 6 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Anaheim, 7 p.m.
San Jose at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

NBA GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	11	2	.846	—
Toronto	7	4	.636	3
New York	7	5	.583	3½
Philadelphia	6	6	.500	4½
Brooklyn	5	7	.417	5½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Orlando	8	5	.615	—
Washington	7	5	.583	½
Miami	6	6	.500	1½
Charlotte	5	7	.417	2½
Atlanta	2	11	.154	6

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	9	3	.750	—
Milwaukee	6	6	.500	3
Cleveland	6	7	.462	3½
Indiana	6	7	.462	3½
Chicago	2	9	.182	6½

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	10	3	.769	—
San Antonio	8	5	.615	2
Memphis	7	5	.583	2½
New Orleans	7	8	.538	3
Dallas	2	11	.154	6

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Denver	8	5	.615	—
Minnesota	7	5	.583	½
Portland	6	6	.500	1½
Utah	5	7	.417	2½
Oklahoma City	5	7	.417	2½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	10	3	.769	—
L.A. Clippers	5	7	.417	4½
L.A. Lakers	5	8	.385	5
Phoenix	5	9	.357	5½
Sacramento	3	9	.250	6½

Saturday's Scores
New Orleans 111, L.A. Clippers 103
Washington 113, Atlanta 94
Houston 111, Memphis 96
New York 118, Sacramento 91
Cleveland 111, Dallas 104
Golden State 135, Philadelphia 114
Milwaukee 99, L.A. Lakers 90
San Antonio 133, Chicago 84
Brooklyn at Utah, late
Denver 125, Orlando 107
Phoenix 118, Minnesota 110

Today's Games
Toronto at Boston, 2:30 p.m.
Miami at Detroit, 3 p.m.
Houston at Indiana, 4 p.m.
Dallas at Oklahoma City, 6 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

CLASS 6A DIVISION I
Region I
Bidistrict
EP El Dorado (7-3) vs. Lee (8-2), 5:30 p.m. Friday, El Paso's Socorro ISD Center
Hudson (6-4) vs. Arlington Lamar (5-5), 7 p.m. Thursday, Grand Prairie's Gopher-Warrior Bowl
Euless Trinity (9-2) vs. Plano (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Bedford's Pennington Field
Duncanville (10-0) vs. Killeen Ellison (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Duncanville
Odessa Permian (8-1) vs. EP Coronado (5-5), 7 p.m. Friday, Odessa's Ratliff Stadium
Arlington Martin (9-1) vs. Keller (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Arlington's Maverick Stadium
Allen (10-0) vs. Hebron (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Allen's Eagle Stadium
Belton (6-4) vs. South Grand Prairie (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Belton's Tiger Stadium

CLASS 6A DIVISION II
Region I
Bidistrict
EP Montwood (9-1) vs. Midland (3-7), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, El Paso's Socorro ISD Center
Keller Fossil Ridge (10-0) vs. Arlington (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Keller ISD Stadium
Southlake Carroll (7-3) vs. McKinney (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Southlake's Dragon Stadium
DeSoto (9-1) vs. Copperas Cove (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, DeSoto
San Angelo Central (10-0) vs. EP Pebble Hills (8-2), 7 p.m. Friday, San Angelo Stadium
Mansfield (9-1) vs. Keller Central (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Mansfield's Newsom Stadium
Denton Guyer (7-3) vs. Northwest Nelson (4-6), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Denton's Collins Complex
Waco Midway (10-0) vs. Grand Prairie (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Midway HS

CLASS 5A DIVISION I
Region I
Bidistrict
EP Andress (8-2) vs. EP Bel Air (5-5), TBD
Amarillo (6-4) vs. Lubbock Monterey (6-4), 7 p.m. Friday, Amarillo's Bivins Stadium
Denton Ryan (10-0) vs. FW Brewer (6-4), 7 p.m. Thursday, Denton's Collins Complex
FW South Hills (10-0) vs. Birdville (4-6), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Fort Worth's Rangers Stadium
EP Del Valle (9-1) vs. EP Chapin (8-2), TBD
Lubbock Coronado (10-0) vs. Canyon Randall (6-4), 7 p.m. Friday, Canyon's Kimbrough Stadium
Northwest Eaton (5-5) vs. Sherman (5-5), TBD

CLASS 5A DIVISION II
Region I
Bidistrict
Friday, Flower Mound's Wilson Stadium
Colleyville Heritage (9-1) vs. FW Arlington Heights (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, NPH's Birdville Fine Arts Center

CLASS 5A DIVISION II
Region I
Bidistrict
EP Burges (7-3) vs. EP Parkland (8-2), TBD
Dumas (9-1) vs. Lubbock Cooper (6-4), 7 p.m. Friday, Lubbock's Pirate Stadium
Denison (9-2) vs. FW Boswell (9-1), 7 p.m. Friday, Denton's Apogee Stadium
FW Southwest (7-3) vs. N. Richland Hills (8-2), 7 p.m. Thursday, Fort Worth's Rangers Stadium
EP Eastlake (7-3) vs. District 1 No. 2, TBD
Abilene Cooper (7-3) vs. Plainview (4-6), 7 p.m. Friday, Wolfforth
Aledo (10-0) vs. WF Rider (5-5), 7 p.m. Thursday, Saginaw's Rough Rider Stadium
Grapevine (8-2) vs. FW YMLA (4-6), 7 p.m. Thursday, Bedford's Pennington Field

CLASS 4A DIVISION I
Region I
Bidistrict
Lubbock Estacado (9-1) vs. Clint Mountain View (4-6), 7 p.m. Thursday, Pecos
WF Hirschi (9-2) vs. Brownwood (8-4), 8:30 p.m. Friday, Abilene's Wildcat Stadium (ACU)
Andrews (9-2) vs. Borger (2-7), 7 p.m. Thursday, Wolforth
Abilene Wylie (9-3) vs. Decatur (8-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Graham
Stephenville (8-2) vs. Sanger (4-6), TBD
Roberts (5-5) vs. Pampa (3-4), 8 p.m. Friday, Midland's Grande Stadium
Argyle (10-0) vs. Snyder (2-8), 7 p.m. Friday, Snyder
Levelland (5-4) vs. Clint (8-2), 7 p.m. Friday, Pecos

CLASS 4A DIVISION II
Region I
Bidistrict
Bushland (8-2) vs. Greenwood (8-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lubbock's Lowrey Field
Godley (8-2) vs. Bridgeport (3-7), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aledo
Seminole (9-1) vs. Dalhart (6-4), 7 p.m. Thursday, Portales, N.M.
Iowa Park (6-4) vs. Waxahachie Life (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Gainesville
Graham (10-0) vs. Hillsboro (3-7), 7 p.m. Friday, Springtown
Monahans (8-2) vs. Denver City (6-4), 7 p.m. Thursday, Monahans
Glen Rose (9-1) vs. Vernon (4-6), 7 p.m. Thursday, Springtown
Perryton (4-6) vs. Sweetwater (8-2), 7 p.m. Thursday, Childress

CLASS 3A DIVISION I
Region I
Bidistrict
Shallowater (9-1) vs. San Angelo Grape Creek (1-9), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Snyder
Brock (8-2) vs. Clyde (8-4), 7 p.m. Thursday, Abilene's Shotwell Stadium
Wall (10-0) vs. Friona (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sweetwater
Tuscola Jim Ned (8-2) vs. Bowie (4-6), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Clyde
Comanche (9-1) vs. Boyd (3-7), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Granbury
Kermit (8-4) vs. Slaton (5-5), 7 p.m. Saturday, Big Spring
Breckenridge (5-5) vs. Merkel (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Brownwood
Muleshoe (4-6) vs. Crane (4-6), 7 p.m. Friday, Denver City

CLASS 3A DIVISION II
Region I
Bidistrict
Canadian (10-0) vs. Stanton (2-8), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Plainview
Eastland (7-3) vs. Reagan County (5-5), 7 p.m. Friday, Colorado City
Colorado City (9-1) vs. Tulia (2-8), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Lubbock's Pirate Stadium
District 3 No. 2 vs. District 4 No. 3, TBD
Sonora (10-0) vs. Coleman (3-7), 7 p.m. Thursday, San Angelo Stadium
Cisco (7-3) vs. Spearman (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Plainview
Cisco (8-2) vs. Ballinger (3-7), 7 p.m. Thursday, Brownwood
Childress (9-1) vs. Idalou (4-6), 7 p.m. Friday, Abilene's Shotwell Stadium

CLASS 2A DIVISION I
Region I
Bidistrict
Stratford vs. Floydada, 7 p.m. Thursday, Amarillo's Bivins Stadium
Hawley (7-3) vs. Christoval (4-6), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Baird
New Deal (9-1) vs. Sanford-Fritch (6-4), 4 p.m. Friday, Canyon's Kimbrough Stadium
Ozona (6-4) vs. Post (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Forsan
McCamey vs. Anson, 7 p.m. Saturday, San Angelo Stadium
Abernathy (9-1) vs. Panhandle (8-4), 7 p.m. Friday, Amarillo River Road HS
Stamford vs. Anthony, TBD
Stinnett West Texas (9-2) vs. Sundown (9-1), 4 p.m. Saturday, Canyon's Kimbrough Stadium

CLASS 2A DIVISION II
Region I
Bidistrict
Gruver (8-2) vs. Lockney (3-7), 6 p.m. Thursday, Canyon's Kimbrough Stadium
Seagraves (7-3) vs. Sudan, 7 p.m. Friday, Levelland
Wellington (9-1) vs. Shamrock (3-7), 7 p.m. Thursday, Shamrock
Farwell (8-4) vs. Roscoe, 7 p.m. Thursday, Post
Bovina (7-2) vs. Tahoka (4-6), 7 p.m. Friday, Tahoka
Clarendon (9-1) vs. Vega (5-5), 7 p.m. Friday, Hereford
Hamlin (8-2) vs. Springlake-Earth (2-7), 7 p.m. Friday, Springlake-Earth
Wheeler (5-5) vs. Memphis (8-4), 7 p.m. Friday, Childress

CLASS 1A SIX-MAN DIVISION I
Region II
Bidistrict
Borden County (10-0) vs. Sterling City (8-4), 7 p.m. Friday, Roscoe
Imperial Buena Vista (9-1) vs. Veribest (6-4), 7 p.m. Friday, Lenorah
Water Valley (5-5) vs. Rankin (7-3), 8 p.m. Friday, Robert Lee
Garden City (8-2) vs. Klondike (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Blackwell

CLASS 1A SIX-MAN DIVISION II
Region II
Bidistrict
Balmorhea (9-0) vs. Wellman-Union (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Rankin
District 7 No. 1 vs. District 8 No. 2, TBD
Jayton (7-3) vs. Highland (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Hermleigh
Ackerly Sands (8-2) vs. Grandfalls-Royalty (7-3), 6 p.m. Friday, Robert Lee

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legacy and our next group to understand that there's a legacy that comes with that," MHS head coach Tim Anuszkiewicz said. "We want to continue to build on that."

The Bulldogs (3-7, 3-3 in District 2-6A) will have a chance to build on their remarkable turnaround when they visit El Paso Montwood (9-1) in a Class 6A Division II bi-district playoff game at 7:30 p.m. CST at Socorro ISD Student Activities Center.

It will be a rematch of a week 2 meeting when Montwood defeated MHS 58-53 in a shootout at Grande Communications Stadium. The Rams held a 24-point lead at one point in the fourth quarter and pulled their starters early, but it's also clear that these Bulldogs have progressed and grown since that early season clash.

The Dawgs' maturation was on display in Friday's pressure packed game against the Bronchos (3-7, 1-5).

With all the burden on their shoulders, the Bulldogs set the tone and took control of the contest early, soaring to a 17-0 lead following Tim Gates' 42-yard TD run with 10:24 to play in the second quarter.

Despite being out of playoff contention, OHS kept responding and fighting, cutting MHS' lead to 17-14 at halftime.

Unlike the early part of the season, these Bulldogs handled the momentum shifts with poise.

On its first play from scrimmage in the second half, MHS took back the momentum when Suddin Sapien passed to Jalen Terhune on a slant pattern for a 47-yard touchdown, pushing the Dawgs to a 24-14 advantage.

MHS eventually took a 31-14 lead before OHS countered with 14 unanswered points behind the power running of Senjun McGarity, who finished with 159 yards and two TDs on the ground.

In the end, the Bulldogs prevailed because of turnovers.

MHS senior linebacker Ross Marker scored on a 49-yard fumble recovery return in the first quarter, a game-changing play that gave the Dawgs a double-digit lead only four minutes and nine seconds into the ballgame.

In the second half, Aiden Brown had an interception that set up an MHS offensive touchdown, and Josh Acrey stopped a potential Broncho scoring drive with an end zone interception.

The Bulldogs, who had been snakebit by their lack of turnovers early in the season, ended up winning the turnover battle, 3-0.

Needing to run out the clock to clinch a playoff spot, MHS turned to its bread-and-butter — the run game — to close it out shortly after OHS narrowed its deficit to 31-28. Nic Gonzales rushed for 11 yards and Sapien added a 13-yard run to seal it by forcing the Bronchos to burn through their time outs.

It was an exhilarating end to the regular season for a Dawgs team that was outscored 232-129 in their first five games. Through it all, Anuszkiewicz said the players always brought high energy and effort.

The Bulldogs now find themselves in the big dance because of their persistence.

"The neat thing about this team is we were sitting 0-5 at one time," Anuszkiewicz said. "That's kind of a make or break time of the season. These guys have continued to work. They've been very coachable."

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in program history. Only the 1969 game (a 49-6 Lee loss) and 2015 (a 45-0 Lee loss) were worse.

As an insult to injury, the Rebels (8-2) settled for the Division I No. 2 seed out of District 2-6A and will have to travel to Socorro Student Activities Center in El Paso to face El Paso El Dorado (7-3) in the bi-district round at 5:30 p.m. CT Friday.

Lee's final offensive numbers were appalling.

The Rebels, who entered the game averaging just over 580 yards of offense per game, were held to a season-low 176 total yards and Standard's lone score. In the second half, Lee mustered only 45 yards – including one rushing yard on 19 carries – and only two first downs, as Permian's vaunted defense had an answer for just about everything.

Perhaps the singular highlight of the evening for the Rebels: Standard went over the 1,000-yard rushing mark on the season with his 69 yards on 16 carries.

Lee was in control and in a healthy spot near the end of the first quarter. But I thought the turning point of Friday's affair was on a kickoff early in the second. Permian had just tied the game at 7-7 on a three-yard run by Ed Williams with 8:52 left in the first half and had regained its footing after stalling on its first drive.

But on the ensuing kickoff, senior running back Avery Akbar – who came into the game with 965 yards rushing and 14 touchdowns – muffed the return and tried to get to out of the end zone amid heavy Panther pressure. He appeared to fall short and initially the officials ruled the play a safety for Permian, giving the Panthers a 9-7 lead and the ball back.

Moments later, after much deliberation with the both coaches, the call was overturned and the Rebels were given the ball at their own 25-yard line. But one might argue that play, even if overruled, was a massive psychological victory and motivation for Permian's defense that turned the tide of the contest.

Lee gained eight yards on three plays and then punted. The Panthers then took a 14-7 lead on a 8-play, 60-yard drive capped by a 10-yard pass from quarterback Steve Steen to Justin Hammond.

Things snowballed from there, as Permian connected on a 50-yard TD pass on its first possession of the second half, intercepted Standard on Lee's ensuing drive and scored again for a 28-7 lead.

After the loss, Lee head coach Clint Hartman reminded his team of the importance of picking itself up and moving forward. The Rebels have already done it this season, when they topped Odessa High 28-21 in a key recovery victory after a 52-28 loss at San Angelo Central the week before.

Though Permian was clearly the superior team Friday, this is still a Lee team with plenty of ability and confidence. And they'll live to fight another day against the Aztecs next Friday.

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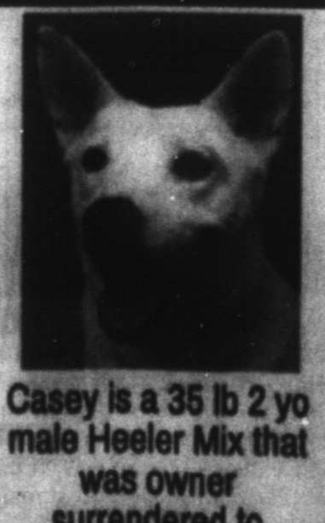
Casey is a 35 lb 2 yo male Heeler Mix that was owner surrendered to Midland Animal Services. He seems sweet, but does like to bolt out of doors. He is small in stature, but strong.

Rafferty wants more out of Chaps despite 3-0 weekend showing

By Oscar LeRoy
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Midland College coach Pat Rafferty is trying to get his team to play hard every time, regardless of the opponent.

The Chaparrals completed a 3-0 weekend during the Midland College Classic at Chaparral Center with a 92-63 victory over Scale Prep Academy out of California on Saturday.

Fraser

Rafferty

Six Chaparrals scored in double figures and MC shot 58 percent for the game. While that would please most, Rafferty knows his team needs to play much better with the tougher competition coming up on the schedule.

"I was disappointed with today," Rafferty said. "I thought we were very selfish. I didn't think we played very hard, I didn't think we played with any intention of trying to be better. It just wasn't a whole lot to feel good about.

"I told the guys that these games can be very damaging and that you can get lured into a false sense of accomplishment. That false sense of accomplishment becomes toxic with the progress that we've made, establishing good habits and reinforcing those habits. How we got the shots. Those shots today aren't going to be that easy against a Ranger, a South Plains, a Howard or Odessa. The mistakes that we made today that didn't cost us, is going to cost us down the road."

MC (3-3) had a good first half as it shot 67.9 percent and took a 57-28 lead at intermission.

But what Rafferty was concerned about was how Scale Prep played even with his team in the second half. For him that's a sign that the team still has room to mature.

"I think we made some progress this weekend, but I think we took steps back today," Rafferty said. "I thought on Thursday and Friday we defended with a sense of purpose and I thought our offense was the same way. We shared the basketball, we weren't selfish and we tried to play for each other."

Sophomore Marquell Fraser, who had 19 points and nine rebounds, said the team is still learning about each other and Rafferty's system.

"It took a while last week when we went down to Arizona (to gel as a team). We weren't playing as a team, we were not really flowing with the plays and we weren't playing defense together as a team," Fraser said. "But over this past week of practice, everybody bought in and everybody has been working very hard in practice, competing, communication and learning the game better and buying into what Coach Rafferty has us doing. What we did over the past week in practice, transitioned over into the games."

In addition to Fraser's 19, Amari Hale had a game-high 20 points, Kevin Kangu had 15, Erkam Kiris had 13, Kayo Goncalves added 11 and Michael Hillebrand chipped in with 10 for MC.

The Chaps know that there's room for improvement but getting three wins under their belts this past weekend should also help their confidence moving forward.

"This shows to us that we have what it takes to compete at a high level," Fraser said. "All we had to do was buy in. Over this past weekend we know what we have to do in order to win. As the week goes on we'll be playing some better competition. Just having the confidence of winning these last three games will help us big time down the road."

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Scale Prep – Malik Jackson 6-8 0-0 2 12, Phaseen Wiley 2-6 0-0 2, Damani Whitlock 2-6 0-0 4, Jessie Gonzalez 2-9 2-2 6, Mateo Blocker 1-5 0-0 2, Samuel Larkin 0-1 2-2 2, Davelyn Arrams 4-10 2-2 13, Jonah Felix 6-8 0-0 18, DeAndre Spencer 0-4 2-4 2. Totals 25-57 8-14 63

Midland College (3-3) – Marquell Fraser 5-8 8-10 19, Amari Hale 6-10 3-3 20, Kevin Kangu 6-11 0-0 15, Erkam Kiris 5-7 2-2 13, Kayo Goncalves 4-7 0-0 11, D'Andre McLamb 0-1 0-0 0, Isen Palacio 2-4 0-0 4, Michael Hillebrand 4-7 2-2 10. Totals 32-55 15-17 92

Halftime – MC 57, SPA 28. 3-point goals – SPA 9-23 (Felix 6-8, Adams 3-5, Gonzalez 0-4, Blocker 0-1, Larkin 0-1, Spencer 0-1), MC 13-26 (Hale 5-8, Kangu 3-8, Goncalves 3-4, Fraser 1-3, Kiris 1-2, Palacio 0-2, Hillebrand 0-1). Total fouls – SPA 17, MC 15. Fouled out – McLamb. Rebounds – SPA 25 (Jackson 3, Wiley 3), MC 38 (Fraser 9). Assists – SPA 14 (Whitlock 5), MC 23 (Kangu 6). Turnovers – SPA 9, MC 11.

Next: Midland College at Ranger College, 7 p.m. Tuesday

Lady Chaps finish good weekend in Odessa with win

From staff reports

ODESSA – The No. 21-ranked Midland College women's basketball team defeated Arizona Western College 64-55 on Saturday to finish the Odessa College Classic with a 3-0 record.

Midland High grad Alexandrea Washington led the Lady Chaps (4-2) with 19 points, while teammate Matangiroa Flavell joined her in double figures with 10 points.

MC out-rebounded Arizona Western by a 48-24 margin, spearheaded by a 10-rebound effort from Lowendie Laporal.

The Lady Chaps return to action Thursday when they host the Midland College WNIT Classic.

NO. 21 MIDLAND COLLEGE 64, ARIZONA WESTERN COLLEGE 55

Arizona Western – Nicole Smith 1-4 2-2 4, Josselyn Morris 2-7 1-5 5, Destiny Gonzalez 1-5 0-2 4, Romata Blackburn 0-4 0-0 0, Gloria Mulumba 2-4 3-5 7, Aimee Brett 4-9, 0-0 10, Raven Roberts 3-4 2-4 11, Theyoung Puay 7-11 0-1 14. Totals 20-48 9-14 55.

Midland College (4-2) – Alexis Washington 2-4 3-4 8, Alexandrea Washington 6-12 3-4 19, Paige Robinson 3-5 3-4 9, Matangiroa Flavell 3-14 3-5 10, Lowendie Laporal 3-9 0-0 6, Bethany Theodore 1-7 3-4 6, Destiny Byfield 1-1 4-4 6. Totals 19-56 19-30 64

Arizona Western	17	13	10	15 –55
Midland College	19	19	9	17 –64

3-point goals – Arizona Western 6 (Roberts 3, Brett 2, Morris), MC 7 (Alexandrea Washington 4, Alexis Washington, Flavell, Theodore). Total fouls – Arizona Western 24, MC 17. Fouled out – Morris. Rebounds – Arizona Western 24, MC 48 (Laporal 10).

Next: MC vs. Trinity Valley CC in Midland College WNIT Classic, 7 p.m. Thursday

FRIDAY'S LATE BOX

MIDLAND COLLEGE 81, NORTHERN OKLAHOMA COLLEGE-TONKAWA 55

Northern Oklahoma-Tonkawa – Hannah Nealis 6-13 5-11 17, Tahanee Bennett 2-7 4-5 10, Kaitlyn Hodgins 2-8 1-2 6, Violet Reynolds 3-7 1-7 7, Sabela Reigosa 1-5 1-2 4, Tatiana Jones 1-7 2-2 4, Abigail Webster 1-2 1-1 3, Rebekah Hissam 1-8 1-3 4. Totals 17-53 10-15 55.

Midland College (3-2) – Alexis Washington 2-5 2-4 7, Alexandrea Washington 5-10 2-3 15, Paige Robinson 7-7 0-0 16, Matangiroa Flavell 4-11 2-2 12, Lowendie Laporal 4-8 3-5 11, Destiny Byfield 2-6 1-1 5, Abby Hatton 1-3 1-2 3, Ogechi Nwodo 3-7 2-3 8, Alyssa Hayes 1-3 0-0 2, Websie Schwertau 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 30-62 13-20 81.

N. Oklahoma-Tonkawa	10	14	11	20 –55
Midland College	24	18	12	27 –81

3-point goals – Northern Oklahoma-Tonkawa 11 (Nealis 5, Bennett 2, Hodgins, Reynolds, Reigosa, Hissam), MC 8 (Alexandrea Washington 3, Robinson 2, Flavell 2, Alexis Washington, 1). Total fouls – Northern Oklahoma-Tonkawa 9, MC 7. Fouled out – None. Rebounds – Northern Oklahoma-Tonkawa 23, MC 47 (Robinson 8, Nwodo 8).

Frantti's goal helps Jacks win in overtime

From staff reports

ODESSA – Peyton Frantti scored in overtime to lift the Odessa Jackalopes to a 2-1 win over the Shreveport Mudbugs, Saturday at Ector County Coliseum.

Frantti's game-winning goal was assisted by James Crossman and Rune Kirby.

Petr Miko also scored for Odessa (9-7-1-1, 20 points), which trails first-place Shreveport (12-4-1-1, 26 points) in the NAHL South Division.

Alex Camarre saved 27 of 28 shots for the Jackalopes.

Odessa hosts the Amarillo Bulls at 7:11 p.m. Tuesday.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL SCORES

Men

SOUTHWEST
Ouachita Baptist 81, UA-Little Rock 79
Sam Houston St. 91, Texas-Tyler 51
Texas-Arlington 85, Loyola Marymount 80

SOUTH
Appalachian St. 135, Toccoa Falls 34
Duke 89, Utah Valley 69
Elon 96, William Peace 53
Florida Gulf Coast 98, Illinois St. 87
Presbyterian 107, Johnson University 87
Stephen F. Austin 74, Longwood 61
UNC-Wilmington 105, NC Wesleyan 81

EAST
Brown 106, Johnson & Wales (RI) 76
Buffalo 80, Canisius 75
Duquesne 80, St. Francis Brooklyn 70
Fairfield 60, Penn 72
La Salle 81, St. Peter's 40
Lehigh 84, Marist 76, OT
Quinnipiac 78, Dartmouth 77
Wagner 80, NJIT 49

MIDWEST
Akron 87, Cleveland St. 57
Bradley 68, IUPUI 53
Drake 101, Coe College 54
Kent St. 111, Youngstown St. 78
Michigan 86, North Florida 66
Nebraska 72, E. Illinois 68
Notre Dame 72, DePaul 58
Ohio 61, Alabama A&M 53
South Dakota 87, Maryville State 59
Toledo 98, Saint Joseph's 87
W. Illinois 109, St. Mary's (MN) 68
W. Michigan 103, Siena Heights 72

FAR WEST
BYU 91, MVSU 61
Hawai`i 82, Ark.-Pine Bluff 70
New Mexico 147, Northern New Mexico 76
Oregon 70, Coppin St. 54
Saint Mary's (Cal) 85, St. Francis (Pa.) 68
UC Riverside 74, California 66
UC Santa Barbara 85, N. Dakota St. 66

Women's

SOUTHWEST
TCU 72, Oral Roberts 58
Texas A&M-CC 62, McMurry 43
Texas-Arlington 61, Incarnate Word 48
UTEP 67, CS Bakersfield 56

SOUTH
Florida St. 82, Georgia St. 66
Kent St. 59, N. Kentucky 54
Morehead St. 75, Sacramento St. 71
Southern U. 86, Mobile 54
UAB 87, MVSU 72
William & Mary 83, Howard 71

EAST
Maine 76, Harvard 51
Missouri 66, Quinnipiac 51
Stony Brook 74, Manhattan 59

MIDWEST
Ball St. 76, Cleveland St. 64
Butler 75, Austin Peay 54
Dayton 71, Tulane 65
Green Bay 60, Chattanooga 30
Indiana St. 93, Arkansas St. 51
Iowa 104, W. Kentucky 97
Michigan St. 100, Robert Morris 58
Minnesota 107, Lehigh 73
Nebraska 62, SIU-Edwardsville 53
Notre Dame 121, Mount St. Mary's 65
Oakland 64, Illinois St. 43
Rio Grande 82, Trinity (TX) 57
Xavier 71, New Hampshire 66

FAR WEST
Cal St.-Fullerton 73, Santa Clara 69
Wyoming 73, Adams State 47

PRO GOLF SCORES

PGA

OHL Classic at Mayakoba Scores
Saturday
At El Camaleon Golf Club
Playa del Carmen, Mexico
Purse: $7.1 million
Yardage: 6,987; Par: 71
Second Round

Patton Kizzire	62-70—132
Patrick Rodgers	67-65—132
Rickie Fowler	65-67—132
Brian Gay	68-65—133
Brandon Harkins	65-68—133
John Oda	68-65—133
Martin Piller	66-68—134
Si Woo Kim	67-68—135
Oscar Fraustro	69-66—135
Alex Cejka	69-67—136
Aniriban Lahiri	67-69—136
Kevin Streelman	68-68—136
Russell Knox	68-68—136
Roberto Diaz	71-65—136
Beau Hossler	70-66—136
Retief Goosen	66-70—136
Chez Reavie	67-69—136
Ken Duke	68-68—136
Scott Brown	67-69—136
Emiliano Grillo	69-67—136
Fabián Gómez	66-70—136
Ryan Moore	70-66—136
Rob Oppenheim	68-68—136
Jason Kokrak	69-68—137
Vaughn Taylor	64-73—137
Ryan Armour	68-69—137
J.J. Spaun	68-69—137
Nicholas Lindheim	70-67—137
J.T. Poston	69-68—137
C.T. Pan	71-66—137
Brice Garnett	69-68—137
Shawn Stefani	71-67—138
Bryson DeChambeau	70-68—138
Charles Howell III	68-70—138
Carlos Ortiz	67-71—138
Talor Gooch	69-69—138
Adam Schenk	69-69—138
Brett Stegmaier	71-67—138
Whee Kim	69-69—138
Joel Dahmen	68-70—138
Austin Cook	68-72—138
Matt Jones	72-67—139
Geoff Ogilvy	68-71—139
Cameron Tringale	71-68—139
Graeme McDowell	69-70—139
Danny Lee	70-69—139
Jonathan Byrd	72-67—139
Johnson Wagner	72-67—139
Brian Stuard	69-70—139
Jhonattan Vegas	69-70—139
Xinjun Zhang	68-73—139
Zac Blair	72-68—140
Tyrone Van Aswegen	69-71—140
Camilo Villegas	72-68—140
Zach Johnson	70-70—140
Derek Fathauer	70-70—140
Denny McCarthy	75-65—140
Greg Chalmers	69-71—140
Nick Watney	71-69—140
Richy Werenski	69-71—140
Abraham Ancer	71-69—140
Tom Hoge	72-68—140
Ethan Tracy	71-69—140
Blayne Barber	69-72—141
D.A. Points	75-66—141
Pat Perez	67-74—141
John Huh	67-74—141
Conrad Shindler	69-72—141
Lanto Griffin	71-70—141
Tyler Duncan	69-72—141
Matt Every	68-73—141
Gary Woodland	68-73—141
Chesson Hadley	71-70—141
Aaron Baddeley	73-68—141
Ricky Barnes	67-74—141
Rory Sabbatini	74-67—141
Tim Wilkinson	70-71—141
Corey Conners	70-71—141
Keith Mitchell	66-75—141

Missed cut

Troy Merritt	71-71—142
Steve Wheatcroft	72-70—142
Peter Malnati	72-70—142
Stewart Cink	72-70—142
Sam Ryder	73-69—142
Ben Silverman	68-74—142
Patrick Reed	72-70—142
Chris Stroud	69-73—142
Aaron Wise	70-72—142
Ben Martin	71-72—143
Mark Wilson	74-69—143
Nick Taylor	68-75—143
Martin Flores	70-73—143
Mac Hughes	71-72—143
Hunter Mahan	70-73—143
Andrew Putnam	72-71—143
Seamus Power	70-73—143
Charley Hoffman	71-73—144
Harris English	75-69—144
Ted Potter, Jr.	73-71—144
Brian Davis	72-72—144
Bronson Burgoon	72-72—144
Byeong Hun An	75-69—144
Kevin Chappell	67-77—144
Kyle Thompson	72-72—144
Nate Lashley	71-73—144
Sean Jacklin	71-74—145
Jose de Jesus Rodriguez	70-75—145
Billy Hurley III	73-72—145
Javier Colomo	72-73—145
Sam Saunders	74-72—146
Matt Atkins	73-73—146
Luke List	70-76—146
Brandon Hagy	74-73—147
Jim Herman	75-72—147
Jordan Niebrugge	76-71—147
Sangmoon Bae	70-77—147
Alex Kang	70-77—147
Jon Curran	77-71—148
Sung Kang	73-75—148
Stephan Jaeger	79-70—149
Jason Bohn	76-72—148
J.J. Henry	72-76—148
Cameron Champ	75-73—148
Wyndham Clark	71-77—148
Smylie Kaufman	73-76—149
Andrew Yun	75-77—152
Tom Lovelady	78-79—157

PGA Tour - Champions Cup Scores
Saturday
At Phoenix Country Club
Phoenix
Purse: $2.5 million
Yardage: 6,783; Par 71
Second Round

Paul Goydos 64-66, 130	
Lee Janzen 64-67, 131	
Kevin Sutherland 69-63, 132	
Billy Mayfair 67-65, 132	
David Frost 69-65, 133	
David Toms 66-67, 133	
Glen Day 65-68, 133	
Scott McCarron 68-66, 134	
Brandt Jobe 67-67, 134	
John Daly 69-66, 135	
Corey Pavin 66-69, 135	
Jerry Smith 65-70, 135	
Joe Durant 66-70, 136	
Vijay Singh 64-72, 136	
Tommy Armour III 69-68, 137	
Paul Broadhurst 67-70, 137	
Wes Short, Jr. 73-65, 138	
Kenny Perry 72-66, 138	
Marco Dawson 70-68, 138	
Scott Dunlap 68-70, 138	
Tom Lehman 68-70, 138	
Billy Andrade 73-66, 139	
Kirk Triplett 71-68, 139	
Bernhard Langer 71-68, 139	
Stephen Ames 70-69, 139	
Scott Parel 69-70, 139	
Jeff Sluman 69-70, 139	
Duffy Waldorf 69-70, 139	
Scott Verplank 69-71, 140	
Gene Sauers 72-68, 140	
Fred Couples 69-72, 141	
Jerry Kelly 68-73, 141	
Doug Garwood 71-71, 142	
Miguel Angel Jiménez 74-69, 143	
Colin Montgomerie 69-74, 143	
Fred Funk 74-71, 145	

Nedbank Golf Challenge Scores
Saturday
At Gary Player Country Club
Sun City, South Africa
Purse: $7.5 million
Yardage: 7,931; Par: 72
Third Round

Scott Jamieson, Scotland	68-73-67—208
Victor Dubuisson, France	68-70-71—209
Martin Kaymer, Germany	73-69-69—211
Branden Grace, South Africa	68-75-68—211
Francesco Molinari, Italy	73-75-65—213
Haydn Porteous, South Africa	73-73-67—213
Lee Westwood, England	70-70-74—214
Ross Fisher, England	70-71-73—214
Charl Schwartzel, South Africa	69-73-72—214
Louis Oosthuizen, South Africa	71-73-70—214
David Drysdale, Scotland	72-73-69—214
Matthieu Pavon, France	72-74-68—214
Tommy Fleetwood, England	73-74-67—214
Darren Fichardt, South Africa	71-69-75—215
Shane Lowry, Ireland	72-71-72—215
Richie Ramsay, Scotland	73-70-72—215
Graeme Storm, England	69-75-71—215
Joost Luiten, Netherlands	71-72-72—215
Hideto Tanihara, Japan	69-76-70—215
Richard Sterne, South Africa	74-72-69—215
Matthew Fitzpatrick, England	70-77-68—215
Also	
Alex Noren, Sweden	69-72-75—216
Tyrrell Hatton, England	71-70-76—217
Padraig Harrington, Ireland	74-72-71—217
Julian Suri, United States	68-75-75—218
Bernd Wiesberger, Austria	67-77-74—218
Rafa Cabrera-Bello, Spain	72-78-72—222
David Lipsky, United States	74-76-77—227

LPGA

Blue Bay LPGA Scores
Saturday
At Jian Lake Blue Bay Golf Course
Hainan, Japan
Purse: $2.1 million
Yardage: 6,670; Par: 72
Final
a-amateur

Shanshan Feng, $315,000	69-67-73-70—279
Moriya Jutanugarn, $190,550	69-73-68-70—280
Megan Khang, $101,467	71-72-73-68—284
Jessica Korda, $101,467	71-72-70-71—284
Sung Hyun Park, $101,467	68-76-68-72—284
Ashleigh Buhai, $101,467	67-68-76-73—284
Sun Young Yoo, $52,886	65-74-77-69—285
Sandra Gal, $52,886	71-70-72-71—285
Na Yeon Choi, $52,886	67-77-68-73—285
Mi Hyang Lee, $38,425	74-75-68-69—286
Austin Ernst, $38,425	68-75-72-71—286
Jeong Eun Lee, $38,425	67-76-70-73—286
Lizette Salas, $38,425	67-73-73-73—286
Sarah Jane Smith, $31,520	73-73-71-70—287
Hyo Joo Kim, $31,520	71-72-73-71—287
Michelle Wie, $28,147	73-76-68-71—288
Ariya Jutanugarn, $28,147	69-72-74-73—288
Karrie Icher, $26,144	71-71-75-72—289
Ryann O'Toole, $24,668	73-76-73-68—290
Ayako Uehara, $24,668	71-75-70-74—290
Morgan Pressel, $22,560	73-75-72-71—291
Pernilla Lindberg, $22,560	67-79-71-74—291
Lee-Anne Pace, $22,560	67-75-72-77—291
Gaby Lopez, $20,873	74-72-76-70—292
In-Kyung Kim, $18,659	76-76-74-67—293
Romanno Phatlum, $18,659	71-76-75-71—293
Peiyun Chien, $18,659	68-76-77-72—293
Azahara Munoz, $18,659	68-78-74-73—293
Minjee Lee, $18,659	71-73-76-73—293
Yu Liu, $15,286	75-77-75-67—294
Brittany Lang, $15,286	75-77-74-68—294
Su Oh, $15,286	74-71-77-72—294
Alison Lee, $15,286	69-74-75-76—294
Nelly Korda, $15,286	71-70-77-76—294
Chella Choi, $12,967	73-76-73-73—295
Yanhong Pan, $12,967	70-79-73-73—295
Olafia Kristinsdottir, $12,967	72-78-71-76—297
Caroline Masson, $11,201	70-76-81-69—296
Jenny Shin, $11,201	71-75-77-73—296
Kelly Shon, $11,201	73-75-74-74—296
Lindy Duncan, $11,201	71-77-74-74—296
Anna Nordqvist, $9,340	76-73-75-73—297
Amy Olson, $9,340	74-73-77-73—297
Alena Sharp, $9,340	69-74-80-74—297
Bronte Law, $9,340	72-78-72-75—297
Haru Nomura, $9,340	71-77-74-75—297
Emily K. Pedersen, $8,170	71-80-73-74—298
Xiang Sui, $8,170	66-76-80-76—298
Yani Tseng, $7,414	78-74-75-72—299
Kyu Lin, $7,414	74-77-76-72—299
Christina Kim, $7,414	76-78-72-73—299
Jennifer Song, $6,958	72-74-80-74—300
Simin Feng, $6,746	74-79-74-74—301
A-Lin Ye	75-78-76-77—306
Joanna Klatten, $6,431	78-77-73-74—302
Mi Jung Hur, $6,431	69-76-79-78—302
Lying Ye, $6,009	75-80-72-76—303
Candie Kung, $6,009	71-78-77-77—303
Tiffany Joh, $5,692	73-79-74-78—304
Jaye Marie Green, $5,483	78-76-76-75—305
Wenwei Zhang, $5,166	75-78-82-77—312
Jing Yan, $5,166	76-79-78-73—306
Wei-Ling Hsu, $5,166	74-76-79-77—306
Yuhjie Zhang, $4,902	70-80-80-77—307
Beatriz Recari, $4,902	78-75-76-78—307
Mariajo Uribe, $4,638	75-82-78-73—308
Cydney Clanton, $4,638	79-80-75-75—308
Nicole Broch Larsen, $4,638	71-72-84-81—308
Katie Burnett, $4,374	81-76-79-73—309
a-Zhuan Zhou	75-78-81-75—309
Jiayun Li, $4,374	78-76-77-78—309
Sandra Changkija, $4,217	77-76-82-76—311
Ruoxi Liu, $4,111	75-82-81-76—314
Mengzhu Wang, $4,111	75-80-79-80—314
Yan Liu, $4,111	76-77-78-83—314
Ying Luo, $4,006	80-79-81-80—320
a-Yeying Song	76-82-84-81—323
Taoli Yang, $3,958	83-86-83-76—328
Yanjiao Jiang, $3,907	80-85-85-82—332

HS GIRLS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

TRINITY 54
GRANDFALLS-ROYALTY 28

Rebecca Young scored 22 points to lead the Lady Chargers to a victory over visiting Grandfalls-Royalty in their season opener Saturday at Beal Gymnasium.

Reagan Long contributed with 19 points for Trinity (1-0), which took a comfortable 29-12 lead at halftime and led 40-14 through three quarters.

The Lady Chargers host Midland Classical at 6 p.m. Tuesday.

TRINITY 54, GRANDFALLS-ROYALTY 28

Grandfalls-Royalty – Guardado 2, Jurado 2, Rodriguez 2, Crook 22.

Trinity (1-0) – Julia Sharum 2, Reagan Long 19, Rebecca Young 22, Lillian Agar 2, Stephanie Kaczor 2, Megan Spotts 7.

Grandfalls	8	4	2	14 –28
Trinity	10	19	11	14 –54

Free throws – Grandfalls-Royalty 4-8, Trinity 1-6. 3-point goals – Grandfalls-Royalty 2 (Crook 2), Trinity 5 (Young 4, Long). Total fouls – Grandfalls-Royalty 6, Trinity 12. Fouled out – Brooke Widner (Trinity).

Next: Midland Classical at Trinity, 6 p.m. Tuesday

NO. 3 GARDEN CITY 60
STANTON 28

STANTON – No. 3-ranked Garden City sank 10 3-point goals to roll past Stanton on Saturday.

Payton Hastings led the Lady Kats (2-0) with 14 points, followed by 12 points from Kenzie Schaefer.

Stanton's Kirsten Church had a game-high 15 points.

GARDEN CITY 60, STANTON 28

Garden City (2-0) – Payton Hastings 14, Kenzie Schaefer 12, Madison Hastings 9, Angelica Munguia 8, Lyndee Walker 7, Ady Burnett 6, Jachel Sotelo 3.

Stanton – Beth Holland 2, Savanna Hewitt 4, Katie Harris 4, Kirsten Church 15, Ana Ramos 3.

Garden City	10	17	20	13 –60
Stanton	2	10	10	6 –28

Free throws – Garden City 12-25, Stanton 8-14. 3-point goals – Garden City 10 (Schaefer 4, Munguia 3, P.Hastings, M.Hastings, Walker), Total fouls – Garden City 19, Stanton 19. Fouled out – None.

Next: Big Spring at Stanton, 4:30 p.m. Tuesday. Garden City in Westbrook Tournament Thursday.

NBA ROUNDUP

ROCKETS 111
GRIZZLIES 96

HOUSTON — James Harden scored 38 points to lead the Houston Rockets to a 111-96 victory over the Memphis Grizzlies on Saturday night.

After suffering two losses to Memphis in the first two weeks of the season, the Rockets finally solved their shooting woes against the Grizzlies.

In their previous two meetings, Memphis held the Rockets to 90 and 89 points, the only two times the Rockets have been held under 100 points this season, and Houston's lowest two scoring efforts ever under head coach Mike D'Antoni.

On Saturday night, Houston jumped out to a 9-0 lead by draining three 3s and never let Memphis go ahead, leading by as many as 25 points. The Rockets outdid their previous scoring against Memphis by the end of the third quarter, entering the fourth with a 93-70 lead.

Houston hit 16 of 45 (35.6 percent) from beyond the arc, including 6 of 14 from Harden, who added eight assists and four rebounds. Eric Gordon added 26 points on 6 of 11 3-point shooting for Houston.

Tyreke Evans led Memphis with 22 points.

SPURS 133,
BULLS 94

SAN ANTONIO — LaMarcus Aldridge had 21 points and 10 rebounds and short-handed San Antonio beat Chicago, setting a season high in points despite missing a third of their roster Saturday night.

Dejounte Murray added 17 points and Davis Bertans had 16 points in 18 minutes for San Antonio.

Chicago lost rookie forward Lauri Markkanen to a sprained left ankle late in the first half. The severity of the injury is unknown.

The Spurs were without six players, including three starters. In addition to Kawhi Leonard and Tony Parker, who have yet to play this season due to quadriceps injuries, San Antonio was without Danny Green. Manu Ginobili rested on the second night of a back-to-back.

CAVALIERS 111
MAVERICKS 104

DALLAS — Kevin Love had 29 points and 15 rebounds and Kyle Korver scored all 13 of his points in the fourth quarter to help Cleveland beat Dallas.

The Mavericks were down by as many as 11 points in the fourth quarter and cut the lead to one on two occasions but could never take the lead.

With the American Airlines Center crowd standing for most of the game's final four minutes, Harrison Barnes missed a 3-pointer that would have put Dallas up by one. Korver was fouled on the rebound and made both free throws to put the Cavs up 106-102, and Cleveland clinched the game with free throws.

Barnes finished with 23 points.

LeBron James, averaging 36 points in November, had just 19, but two came on an emphatic dunk with 1:08 to play that put Cleveland up 104-100.

Coach K wins 1,000th at No. 1 Duke

By Joedy Mccreary
Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C. — Make it another 1K for Coach K — with all of these coming at Duke.

Mike Krzyzewski became the first men's Division I coach to win 1,000 games at one school Saturday night when his top-ranked Blue Devils beat Utah Valley 99-69 behind 24 points and 10 rebounds from freshman Marvin Bagley III.

Grayson Allen added 18 points for Duke (2-0) while three other freshmen also had big nights: Trevon Duval had 15 points and 12 assists, Gary Trent Jr. added 17 points and Wendell Carter Jr. had 12.

After the game, the Duke players donned T-shirts with the "Coach 1K" logo that also adorned signs given to the fans at Cameron Indoor Stadium and former Duke star Shane Battier hugged his college coach during the postgame ceremony that marked the milestone.

Krzyzewski called it "a nice thing on the court to share" but declined to talk about the milestone with the media, preferring to keep the focus on the game.

He became the first men's coach at college basketball's top level to reach the 1,000-win mark, getting there in 2015 by beating St. John's in Madison Square Garden, and improved to 1,073-330 during a 43-year career that also included a half-decade at his alma mater, Army. In 38 seasons at Duke, he is 1,000-271.

"It's pretty awesome to be a part of two pretty historic moments for Coach," said Allen, a freshman on that Duke team three years ago. "This one being in Cameron, felt a lot more love for Coach and I think this one was the coolest just because of the fan support and being at home."

Utah Valley, which pestered No. 5 Kentucky a night earlier, gave Duke about 10 minutes' worth of trouble before the Blue Devils pulled away on the strength of arguably the nation's best freshman class.

Each of Duke's first 40 points was scored by a freshman, including every single one during the 27-8 run midway through the first half that gave the Blue Devils a comfortable lead and put Krzyzewski well on his way to the latest milestone of his Hall of Fame career.

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Greenwood's Logan Jarvis (50) moves the ball against Big Spring's John Ibanez (14) on Tuesday, Dec. 13. 2016, at Greenwood High School.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN

Head coach: Chris Ryburn, sixth season at MCS, third as boys head coach

2016-17 record: 26-7, 6-0 in TAPPS 1-5A (1st)

2016-17 postseason: Lost 66-63 against Austin St. Dominic Savio in TAPPS 5A bi-district round

2017 record: 1-0

Key returners: G Jordan Riley, Jr.; G/F Tommy Beebe, Sr.; F Gunnar Griffin, Sr.; F A.J. Brown, Sr.; G Mitch McCann, So.

Key losses: G/F Bryce Waters, F Colton Snively

Top newcomers: G Joseph Venzant, Fr.

Ryburn on the 2017-18 season: "I think this group has a lot of maturity across the board. We have six seniors and I've really been looking forward to this year because of that maturity level and of the character level of these guys."

Notes: The Mustangs opened the season with a 66-28 home win over Midland Classical on Tuesday. … MCS lost last year's TAPPS 1-5A MVP Bryce Waters, as well as all-district first team forward Colton Snively to graduation. But head coach Chris Ryburn said this year's group could make a mark with its maturity and competitiveness. … MCS will be led by 6-foot-4 junior guard Jordan Riley, a first-team all-district selection in 2016-17. The Mustangs expect to receive a boost from a trio of football players in junior forward Peyton Powell (first team all-district), as well as senior guards Coy Stewart and Silas Crews, once football season is concluded. Powell and Crews started all of last season for MCS. … Ryburn said this year's team will have a true by-committee feel, with just about everyone playing a defined role on the court. "The thing about this team is everybody in some way is a role player," Ryburn said. "Jordan's role is maybe to score a little more and the other guys' role is to space the floor, play good defense and hit the open shot. But everyone seems to understand what their role is." … The Mustangs are aiming to emphasize defensive intensity and ball security, as Ryburn and his staff felt turnovers were a major detriment in the team's shocking bi-district loss last season. "We had a really talented team and ultimately we felt like turning the ball over too much is what got us beat. We got too loose with the ball toward the end of the year, so that's been a big point of emphasis with us, is taking care of the ball." … Ryburn has been particularly impressed with a pair of youngsters in sophomore guard Mitch McCann and freshman guard Joseph Venzant, the younger brother of former MCS star and now Cal State Fullerton freshman guard, Daniel Venzant. "Mitch has probably put in more time (in the gym) than anybody," Ryburn said. "Joseph, he plays really hard and he's really active and I think he's going to have a great year for us. He has played a lot of basketball."

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 2017 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 7	Midland Classical	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 14	at Presidio (in Alpine)	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 16	Adidas Tip-Off Classic	TBA
Nov. 17	Adidas Tip-Off Classic	TBA
Nov. 18	Adidas Tip-Off Classic	TBA
Nov. 20	at Lubbock Trinity	6 p.m.
Nov. 28	at Fort Stockton	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 30	at Brock Tournament	TBA
Dec. 1	at Brock Tournament	TBA
Dec. 2	at Brock Tournament	TBA
Dec. 5	at Monahans	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 7	at Calclaw Classic	TBA
Dec. 8	at Calclaw Classic	TBA
Dec. 9	at Calclaw Classic	TBA
Dec. 12	Seminole	7 p.m.
Dec. 15	at San Angelo TLCA	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 28	at Sandhills Tournament	TBA
Dec. 29	at Sandhills Tournament	TBA
Dec. 30	at Sandhills Tournament	TBA
Jan. 9	FW Southwest Christian*	7 p.m.
Jan. 12	at Grapevine Faith*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 16	Fort Worth Christian*	7 p.m.
Jan. 19	at Fort Worth All Saints*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 26	at FW Southwest Christian*	7 p.m.
Jan. 30	Grapevine Faith*	7 p.m.
Feb. 2	at Fort Worth Christian*	5:30 p.m.
Feb. 6	Fort Worth All-Saints*	6:30 p.m.

*Denotes TAPPS 1-5A game

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 2017 ROSTER (subject to change)

No.	Player	Position	Class
3	Caden Norris	G	Soph.
5	Mitch McCann	G	Soph.
11	A.J. Brown	G	Sr.
12	Porter Gotowac	G	Jr.
15	Jordan Riley	G	Jr.
20	David Beebe	F	Soph.
22	Jacob Thomas	G	Jr.
23	Gunnar Griffin	G	Sr.
24	Joseph Venzant	G	Fr.
25	Chase Norris	G	Sr.
32	Tommy Beebe	G	Sr.

GREENWOOD

Head coach: Nate Bridges, first season at Greenwood

2016-17 record: 11-20, 3-5 in District 4-4A (4th)

2016-17 postseason: Lost 63-48 to Clint in Class 4A bi-district

Key returners: G Seth Weatherby, So.; G Ryan Snodgrass, So.; F Logan Jarvis, Jr.

Key losses: F Seth Keeton, F Blake Elliott, G Colton Moore, G Tyler Ellison, G Ben Brockman, F Kelley Cooper, F Tyler James

Top newcomers: N/A

Bridges on the 2017-18 season: "We'll be very young from an experience standpoint. We've got a bunch of guys who are young and hungry, but they'll have to mature very quickly."

Notes: The Rangers graduated a significant class of senior guards and forwards that helped lead the program to the Class 4A playoffs, where they fell 63-48 to Clint in bi-district. The loss of forward tandem Seth Keeton and Blake Elliott, who are each playing at Southwestern University in Georgetown, will be felt the most. … Many of Greenwood's expected players are currently playing the Rangers' football team, which will take on Bushland in the bi-district round of the Class 4A Division II playoffs next Friday. Due to that complication, first-year head coach Nate Bridges still has much to sort out regarding his roster. But Greenwood is expected to be led by junior 6-foot-3 forward Logan Jarvis and sophomore guard Ryan Snodgrass, who each return with varsity experience. … Bridges, who coached at Odessa High last season and replaces former head coach Paul Hartman after three years with the Rangers, said he admired the Greenwood program and community from afar and it was the right move for he and his family. He added that in his first year, he will focus on putting his young players in the best possible situation to succeed while paying energetic defense. "I'd like each (team in the program) to maximize its potential," Bridges said. "We have high character kids who are involved in a lot around the school. We want to maximize the potential of each individual." … The Rangers open their 2017-18 season with a trip to Snyder at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. Bridges said that while Greenwood's football season is still in progress, he'll use a mix of his basketball-only varsity players and JV players to play the team's games for at least the next week.

GREENWOOD 2017 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 14	at Snyder	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 17	Slaton	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 20	at Merkel	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 28	Lubbock Cooper	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 30	at Denver City Tournament	TBA
Dec. 1	at Denver City Tournament	TBA
Dec. 2	at Denver City Tournament	TBA
Dec. 5	at Sweetwater	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 7	at Glen Rose Tournament	TBA
Dec. 8	at Glen Rose Tournament	TBA
Dec. 9	at Glen Rose Tournament	TBA
Dec. 12	at Big Spring	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 15	Levelland	8 p.m.
Dec. 19	Midland Classical	6 p.m.
Dec. 21	a-Bushland	5:30 p.m.
Dec. 28	Texas Bank Holiday Classic	TBA
Dec. 29	Texas Bank Holiday Classic	TBA
Dec. 30	Texas Bank Holiday Classic	TBA
Jan. 2	at Lamesa	8 p.m.
Jan. 5	at Seminole	8 p.m.
Jan. 9	Denver City	8 p.m.
Jan. 12	Fort Stockton*	8 p.m.
Jan. 19	at Andrews*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 23	at Pecos*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 26	Monahans*	8 p.m.
Jan. 30	at Fort Stockton*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 6	Andrews*	8 p.m.
Feb. 9	Pecos*	8 p.m.
Feb. 13	at Monahans*	6:30 p.m.

a-denotes game played at Rip Griffin Center, Lubbock
*denotes District 4-4A game

GREENWOOD 2017 ROSTER (not available)

MIDLAND CLASSICAL

Head coach: Ron Miller, 15th year at MCA

2016-17 record: 12-20, **2016-17 postseason:** Lost 59-52 to Dallas Covenant in TAPPS 3A area round

2017-18 record: 0-1

Key returners: F Cole Miller, Jr.; G Conrey Echols, Jr.; G Josiah McDougal, Jr.; G Jaxson Bayley, Sr.; G Aaron Giffin, Jr.

Key losses: F Kevin Giffin, F Cade Miller, F Sam Reddell, G Jared Adkins

Top newcomers: G Gabe Beattie, Fr.; G Drew Littleton, Fr.

Miller on the 2017-18 season: "I think our strength is our team play, outside shooting and rebounding on the inside. I look forward to having a good season."

Notes: In disappointing fashion, a young Knights team fell, 59-52 to Dallas Covenant in the area round of the TAPPS 3A playoffs last season. MCA trailed 28-26 at halftime of the game, but was outscored 18-9 in the third quarter and couldn't recover. … This season, MCA's roster features just one senior in guard Jaxson Bayley. But despite their youth, many of the Knights' juniors – led by forward Cole Miller – benefited from a wealth of starting experience a year ago. … MCA head coach said he likes what he has seen with this team's cohesiveness during practice and in their first game this year. But it's a group that is still trying to establish some depth and improve on the ball. "I think we've got a good core," Miller said. "I think it's about trying to figure out personnel and what is best to try to get a little rest time. We just can't get in foul trouble and if any of the starters get into foul trouble, it limits us. We've got to get a little stronger with the ball." … Miller hopes to have a team that can shoot consistently from the outside, which could set up scoring opportunities inside for Cole and the team's array of guards. "I'm hopeful that we're a really good 3-point shooting team," Miller said. "I'm hoping that Cole can be a real consistent scorer for us on the inside and outside. I forsee us being a matchup problem a little bit for teams that are our size. We don't have an incredible player, but we have a really good team." … Miller said freshman forward Drew Littleton's development will be key to the Knights adding a true post presence this season.

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 2017 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 14	at Trinity	8 p.m.
Nov. 16	at Westbrook Tournament	TBA
Nov. 17	at Westbrook Tournament	TBA
Nov. 18	at Westbrook Tournament	TBA
Nov. 20	at Denver City	8 p.m.
Nov. 21	Garden City	4 p.m.
Nov. 28	at Forsan	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 5	Sherwood Christian	6:30 p.m.
Dec. 7	at Crane Tournament	TBA
Dec. 8	at Crane Tournament	TBA
Dec. 9	at Crane Tournament	TBA
Dec. 12	Grady	6 p.m.
Dec. 15	at Fort Stockton	8 p.m.
Dec. 18	at Klondike	8 p.m.
Dec. 19	at Greenwood	6 p.m.
Dec. 28	at Monahans Tournament	TBA
Dec. 29	at Monahans Tournament	TBA
Dec. 30	at Monahans Tournament	TBA
Jan. 4	at Garden City	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 6	Trinity	1 p.m.
Jan. 9	at Imperial Buena Vista	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 12	at Lubbock Christian	8 p.m.
Jan. 16	at Lubbock All Saints	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 23	at Abilene Christian*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 26	Amarillo Ascension*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 2	at Amarillo Ascension*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 3	at Amarillo San Jacinto	1 p.m.
Feb. 6	Abilene Christian*	7:30 p.m.

*denotes TAPPS 1-3A game

MIDLAND CLASSICAL 2017 ROSTER

No.	Player	Position	Class
2	Conrey Echols	G	Jr.
10	Josiah McDougall	G	Jr.
11	Aaron Giffin	G	Jr.
12	Cole Miller	F	Soph.
13	Grant Berridge	F	Soph.
15	Ethan Childers	F	Jr.
21	Jaxson Bayley	G	Sr.
24	Gabe Beattie	G	Fr.
25	Drew Littleton	G	Fr.
32	Caden Corzine	F	So.
35	Caleb Patterson	F	Soph.

TRINITY

Head coach: Shaun Huffman, first year as varsity head coach

2016-17 record: 16-10, 1-5 in TAPPS 1-4A (3rd)

2016-17 postseason: Missed postseason

Key returners: G Ciro Baeza, So.; F Garrett Rosner, Sr.; G Greg Shipkey, Jr.; F Evan Smith, Sr.; G Daniel Webb, Sr.; G Evan Witt, Jr.

Key losses: G Jackson Pinnow, G Ben Witt, F Luke Hartzer, F Lewis Ohlman, G Devon Scott

Top newcomers: G Houston Beal, Jr.; G Spencer Ohlman, So.

Notes: Huffman takes over the Chargers program after spending last season as an assistant coach to former head coach Brad Miller. … Huffman said he has installed an entirely new scheme for Trinity this year and he wants to focus on perfecting a tight and aggressive man-to-man defense. He said establishing defensive dominance will be a key for his team to create quick, but quality offense. "We want to play hard core defense, make (the other team) have empty possessions, make them make mistakes," Huffman said. "We want to limit them to one shot or less per possession and then we're going to fly." … The Chargers are a younger team with only three seniors – forward Garrett Rosner, guard Daniel Webb and forward Evan Smith – expected to be in the mix for a starting role. The team will be led by long and explosive sophomore guard Ciro Baeza, who was one of the county's premier scorers a year ago and a full-time starter. He'll be joined in the backcourt by junior guard Greg Shipkey, entering his third varsity campaign. … Trinity narrowly missed the playoffs last season after falling to Amarillo San Jacinto in its final regular season game. … Huffman said he has the talent, experience and depth (guards Spencer Ohlman and Houston Beal were both JV standouts last season as a freshman and sophomore, respectively) to compete in a daunting TAPPS 1-4A. But it will come down to execution and composure this year. "We've got to execute," Huffman said. "Having an even keel (is important). Last year, these guys got too high and too low. I've told them multiple times, we need to stop having pity parties. If we're up 15, we need to act like we've been there before. If we're down 10, we need to act like we've been there before." … The Chargers open their 2017-18 season by hosting MCA at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

TRINITY 2017 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 14	Midland Classical	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 16	at Westbrook Tournament	TBA
Nov. 17	at Westbrook Tournament	TBA
Nov. 18	at Westbrook Tournament	TBA
Dec. 1	at Rankin Tournament	TBA
Dec. 2	at Rankin Tournament	TBA
Dec. 5	Grandfalls-Royalty	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 12	at Wink	8 p.m.
Dec. 14	at Buena Vista Tournament	TBA
Dec. 15	at Buena Vista Tournament	TBA
Dec. 16	at Buena Vista Tournament	TBA
Dec. 19	at Lubbock All Saints	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 6	at Midland Classical	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 9	Abilene Christian	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 12	Lubbock All Saints	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 16	at Lubbock Trinity Christian*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 19	at Amarillo San Jacinto*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 23	at Lubbock Christian*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 26	Amarillo San Jacinto*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 30	Lubbock Trinity Christian*	8 p.m.
Feb. 2	Lubbock Christian*	6 p.m.

*denotes TAPPS 1-4A game

TRINITY 2017 ROSTER (subject to change)

Player	Position	Class
Ciro Baeza	G	So.
Spencer Ohlman	G	So.
Greg Shipkey	G	Jr.
Garrett Rosner	F	Sr.
Evan Smith	F	Sr.
Evan Witt	G/F	Jr.
Houston Beal	G	Jr.
Grady Beal	F	Sr.
Daniel Webb	G	Sr.
Phillip Norwood	F	Jr.
Sam Boss	F	So.
Scout Walker	G/F	So.
Jadan Wooten	G	So.
Max Henderson	G	So.

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role in his seven years in the game. But he already feels comfortable with several of his new teammates, who are looking to him for direction during workouts and practice.

"I've been trying to talk more, keep the guys involved, telling them where to go," Eaden said. "It has been kind of a challenge but the guys help me too. They talk back to me. They help me so we can help each other."

Apart from morphing into a go-to presence, Eaden said he has been working on expanding his offensive arsenal. He would like to become a more aggressive dribbler and a consistent scorer driving to the basket in addition to his dangerous outside shot.

"I've been trying to work on dribbling a bit," Eaden said. "This year we have guys, who last year, mostly shot the ball (with other ball-handling guards on the roster). This year I have to handle the ball more."

Eaden, who enjoys playing video games and occasionally watching Paw Patrol for the pleasure of childhood nostalgia, said he believes he and the Rebels are prepared to make a statement in 2017-18 and reach the playoffs for the first time since 2011.

"We have guys that want to win games and we just need to come together and play," Eaden said.

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LEE

Head coach: Justin Boswell, 2nd season at Lee (9-20 record)

2016-17 record: 9-20, 2-8 in District 2-6A (5th)

2016-17 postseason: None

Key players returning: G Cevonte Eaden, Sr.; G Avery Chambers, Jr.; F Mykai Pertile, Jr.; F Isaiah Nunez. Sr.; F Pat Okimi

Key losses: F James Lydia; G Sema'J Davis; G Taye Britt; G Juwon Packer; F Brian Langford

Top newcomers: G Zhuric Phelps, Fr.; G/F Ronald Finister, Jr.; G Evan McMaryion, So.

Boswell on the 2017-18 season: "I think we're going to have more depth and we're getting after it. We have a lot of effort (players) and we want to get up and down the floor and we want to be smart with how we're attacking things. We've come miles and miles and miles from where we were last year."

Notes: Following a nine-win season that saw noticeable improvements from the previous two years, second-year head coach Justin Boswell is optimistic that this his program can continue building in 2017-18. Last season, the Rebels went through a year-long process of learning how to win games. This year's squad has five returning varsity players from last season, but a talented and hungry cast of newcomers is ready to assist the team in making a mark. Boswell said the key to improving this year is simple. "Win ball games," Boswell said. "Last year (early in the season) it was extremely tough for us to break into that win column and feel good about ourselves. When we start winning games against really good competition, everybody loves a winner." … Senior guard Eaden and junior guard Avery Chambers headline the returners. Expected starting point guard and freshman Zhuric Phelps, athletic sophomore guard Evan McMaryion and junior transfer (Willis) Ronald Finister headline a group of 10 newcomers that has Boswell excited. Boswell said he wants to play an up-tempo offensive and defensive game that will emphasize his team's athleticism and minimize the effects of its lack of height. "Shooting will be our strength," Boswell said. "There are lots of guys who can put the ball in the hole. Rebounding is just going to have to be about effort, because we are not very big. We've got some really good quick guards and a lot of our ball handling is young, so there will be some growing pains." … Joining the program this year as the team's defensive coach is David Drafahl, who spent the previous five seasons as the head coach at Class 4A Waco La Vega. Drafahl and Boswell spent time coaching against each other when Boswell was coaching at Class 4A Taylor. "I wanted to press (on defense) and (Drafahl) is the best I know at doing that," Boswell said. … Drafahl directed the Pirates to the playoffs in each of his five seasons and advanced to the third round or further in two of the five. Between 2014-2017, he compiled an overall record of 58-29 and a 27-3 mark in district.

LEE 2017 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 14	at Abilene Wylie	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 18	at Lubbock Estacado	4 p.m.
Nov. 20	at Amarillo High	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 21	at Amarillo Palo Duro	4 p.m.
Nov. 28	a-Lubbock Coronado	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 30	at Doug McCutchen Memorial	TBA
Dec. 1	at Doug McCutchen Memorial	TBA
Dec. 2	at Doug McCutchen Memorial	TBA
Dec. 5	b-Abilene Cooper	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 7	Tall City Oilman's Tournament	TBA
Dec. 8	Tall City Oilman's Tournament	TBA
Dec. 9	Tall City Oilman's Tournament	TBA
Dec. 11	a-Lamesa	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 27	Byrnn Johnston Tournament	TBA
Dec. 28	Byron Johnston Tournament	TBA
Dec. 29	Byron Johnston Tournament	TBA
Jan. 5	at Andrews	4:30 p.m.
Jan. 9	b-San Angelo Lake View	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 12	at Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 16	Midland High*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 19	at Wolfforth Frenship*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 23	Odessa Permian*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 26	at Amarillo Tascosa*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 30	Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 2	Midland High*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 6	Wolfforth Frenship*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 9	at Odessa Permian*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 13	Amarillo Tascosa*	7:30 p.m.

a-denotes game at Lee gym
b-denotes non-district game at Chaparral Center
*denotes District 2-6A game at Chaparral Center

LEE 2017 ROSTER (subject to change)

No.	Player	Class
0	Jalen Harris	Jr.
1	Da'Cedric Moore	Jr.
2	Jordan Lopez	So.
3	Avery Chambers	Jr.
4	Cevonte Eadin	Sr.
5	Zhuric Phelps	Fr.
11	Evan McMaryion	So.
15	Pat Okimi	Sr.
20	Ben Oyeleoa	Sr.
21	Ronald Finister	Jr.
22	Max Gamez	Sr.
23	Loic Fouonji	So.
25	Mykai Pertile	Jr.
33	Isaiah Nunez	Sr.
42	Kyler Pettus	Jr.

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better, he has gained confidence going to the basket," Hooker said. "Last year he might have been a little hesitant. We could see flashes of it last year, but now he is more consistent. (He's) just going out there and leading by example, going out there and playing good defense and he has been so far this fall. We just want him to carry it over into the season."

Terrazas said he has a lot of pride wearing the purple and gold for the Bulldogs. That color affinity is also reflected in his tendency to play with the Los Angeles Lakers on NBA 2K, as well as the fact that he models his game after Lakers' forward Brandon Ingram.

"We both have that mid-range game," Terrazas said with a chuckle.

Playing basketball for MHS means something to Terrazas and he wants to prove it this season with a cast of hungry Bulldogs beside him.

"There are multiple schools out there you could play for, but I'm proud to wear the purple and gold," Terrazas said.

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MIDLAND HIGH

Coach: Shan Hooker, 3rd season at MHS (22-37 in two seasons)

2016-17 record: 12-19, 3-7 in District 2-6A (4th)

2017 record: 0-1

2016-17 postseason: Lost 71-47 to El Paso El Dorado in Class 6A bi-district

Key players returning: G Rahkaim Patterson, Jr.; G Nic Terrazas, Jr.; G Gage Warren, Jr.; F Suddin Sapien

Key losses: G Courtney McMaryion; G Camran Rock; G D'Andre Wilson; G Jalen Childress; G Ty Kendrick; F Dillon Springer

Top newcomers: G Xadrian Van Buren, Jr.; G Demorri Williams, Jr.; G Daniel Elliot, So.; G Duce Warren, So.; F Rayshad Chambers, Fr.

Hooker on the 2017 season: "We're going to be very young, very inexperienced, but we're going to have good numbers and we've got boys that can get up and down the floor now. We're athletic and we'll be playing good team ball which is a key."

Notes: MHS, now in its third season under head coach Shan Hooker, will be aiming to build on the breakthrough of making it back to the Class 6A playoffs last year. The Bulldogs fell to El Paso El Dorado 71-47 in bi-district, but Hooker believes it was an important experience for the confidence and development of the program. "That was a big, big breakthrough for the program and it was just something to build upon," Hooker said. "We had to begin somewhere when we began this program two years ago. Last year in the second year, we did get into the playoffs so we want to continue to make the playoffs, get a streak of playoff years going and see what happens." … This year's roster features five players with varsity experience from last year, led by Terrazas and forward and MHS quarterback Suddin Sapien, who spent the entire season on varsity. Junior guards Rahkeim Petterson, Gage Warren and Kellen Parker each spent varying amounts of time with the varsity. After that group, the team's remaining seven players enter their first varsity season. Six-foot-4 freshman forward Rayshad Chambers is expected to stand out after scoring 10 points in the team's 71-64 season-opening loss at Abilene High Friday. … Hooker said his team isn't big, with only three players taller than 6-2 and the tallest being 6-4. But it's an athletic group with speed and quickness that could present matchup problems to bigger teams. "Most of our kids are in that 6-foot-1 range, are long and lanky and play above the rim," Hooker said. "It's going to be a fun year." … This year's Bulldogs' roster is one of the youngest the program has had in a few years, with no seniors, three sophomores and Chambers, the freshman.

2017 MHS SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Nov. 10	at Abilene High	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 17	at Lubbock Coronado	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 28	at Abilene Wylie	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 30	at South San Tournament	TBA
Dec. 1	at South San Tournament	TBA
Dec. 2	at South San Tournament	TBA
Dec. 5	at Lubbock Estacado	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 7	Tall City Oilman's Tournament	TBA
Dec. 8	Tall City Oilman's Tournament	TBA
Dec. 9	Tall City Oilman's Tournament	TBA
Dec. 15	at Lubbock Monterey	7:30 p.m.
Dec. 28	Bryon Johnston Tournament	TBA
Dec. 29	Bryon Johnston Tournament	TBA
Dec. 30	Bryon Johnston Tournament	TBA
Jan. 2	b-Seminole	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 4	b-Lamesa	4:30 p.m.
Jan. 9	a-Big Spring	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 12	Amarillo Tascosa*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 16	Lee*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 19	Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 23	at Wolfforth Frenship*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 26	Odessa Permian*	7:30 p.m.
Jan. 30	at Amarillo Tascosa*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 2	Lee*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 6	at Odessa High*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 9	Wolfforth Frenship*	7:30 p.m.
Feb. 13	at Odessa Permian*	7:30 p.m.

a-denotes game at MHS gym
b-denotes game at Chaparral Center
*denotes District 2-6A game at Chaparral Center

2017 MHS ROSTER (subject to change)

No.	Player	Position	Class
00	Xadrian Van Buren	G	Jr.
1	Demorri Williams	G	Jr.
2	Adrian Lozano	G	So.
3	Daniel Elliot	G	So.
4	Rahkeim Petterson	G	Jr.
5	Nathaniel Rodriguez	G	Jr.
10	Duce Warren	G	So.
11	Gage Warren	G	Jr.
12	Nic Terrazas	G	Jr.
23	Kellen Parker	G	Jr.
32	Rayshad Chambers	F	Fr.
33	Suddin Sapien	F	Jr.

Texas Tech ends 4-game skid with 38-24 win over Baylor

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Texas Tech hadn't started a game like this since 1973. The Red Raiders hadn't finished one like this in more than a month.

Keke Coutee had their first game-opening kickoff return for a touchdown in 44 years, and the Red Raiders got plenty of help from their defense to end a four-game losing streak with a 38-24 win over Baylor on Saturday.

"It was big. We needed this one. been right there the last four games ... just couldn't pull it out," quarterback Nic Shimonek said. "I felt like we played one of our most complete games start to finish than we have all year. Good confidence builder."

Texas Tech (5-5, 2-5 Big 12) still needs one more win to get bowl eligible, and there is still uncertainty about coach Kliff Kingsbury's future at his alma mater. The Red Raiders won their first seven games after the former quarterback became coach in 2013, but are 22-31 since and missed out on bowl games two of the last three seasons.

Even though the Bears (1-9, 1-6) had 523 total yards, they were stopped on a fourth-and-goal from the 1 and had four turnovers. One of their two fumbles on quarterback-running back exchanges came inside the 10, and there was an interception in the end zone and another late fumble returned for a touchdown after a receiver got stripped.

"Turnovers erase all the ugly things that happen," said defensive tackle Broderick Washington, relaying one of defensive coordinator David Gibbs' messages to them.

"We didn't even know they had that many yards."

Coutee took the opening kickoff back 93 yards to start the game with a touchdown return, the first for Tech since Lawrence Williams opened a 1973 game against New Mexico with a 95-yard TD.

"We put a huge emphasis on kickoff return unit this week. We knew we could make some plays on those guys," Coutee said. "The first one worked out perfectly."

Texas closer to bowl-eligible with 42-27 win over Kansas

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Shane Buechele connected with Lorenzo Joe on a 49-yard touchdown on the first play from scrimmage and the Texas defense forced four first-half turnovers in a 42-27 win over Kansas on Saturday night.

Texas got a small measure of revenge for the Longhorns' shocking loss at Kansas last season, a defeat that doomed former coach Charlie Strong, who was fired a week later. Texas' struggles have continued under new coach Tom Herman, but the victory got Texas (5-5, 4-3 Big 12) a step closer to becoming eligible for their first bowl game since 2014 with two games left.

Antwuan Davis returned a first quarter interception for a touchdown and Toneil Carter and Lil'Jordan Humphrey added scoring runs as Texas built a 35-17 lead by halftime.

Texas set up three first-half touchdowns with turnovers and ended another Kansas drive in the end zone with an interception. Carter Stanley passed for 268 yards and three touchdowns, but had three turnovers in the first half. The Jayhawks (1-9, 0-7) have just three Big 12 wins over the past seven seasons.

Buechele passed for 249 yards.

The takeaway

Kansas: The Jayhawks had been shut out in their previous two Big 12 road games, but fought to stay in this one if not for the disastrous first half of turnovers. The defense even knocked around Buechele and dropped an interception that would have been a sure-fire touchdown. Of Texas' first four touchdown drives, only one started beyond midfield.

Texas: The Longhorns offense still struggled for long stretches and the defense had one of its more uneven outings in weeks, giving Herman something new to worry about in a late-season fight for a bowl game. The secondary clearly missed suspended cornerback Holton Hill, who will not return this season. A change at kicker resulted in another missed field goal.

Up next

Kansas plays at No. 5 Oklahoma next Saturday.

Texas plays at West Virginia next Saturday with a chance to earn a sixth win to become bowl-eligible.

Angelo State throttles UTPB in season finale 74-22

From staff reports

ODESSA – The UT Permian Basin football team couldn't keep up with Angelo State in a high-scoring affair at Ratliff Stadium.

The visiting Rams amassed 560 total yards of offense to throttle the Falcons, 74-24, in the season finale between the Lone Star Conference foes.

UTPB ends its second season in program history at 2-9 and 1-7 in conference play.

Angelo State (6-4, 4-4 in LSC) used a balanced attack in the rout, rushing for 239 yards and passing for 321 yards.

With 9:22 left in the first quarter, the Falcons tied the game at 7 when Kristian Brown scored on a 28-yard pass from Kameron Mathis.

However, the Rams scored four straight touchdowns, which amounted to 26 unanswered points, to take a commanding 33-7 lead with only 9:49 left in the second quarter.

Angelo State was boosted by its defense, as Justin Jackson scored on an 81-yard interception return and Hunter Kyle scored on a 22-yard interception return, both occurring in the first half.

Running back Josh Stevens had 18 carries for 159 yards and three TDs to lead the ASU offense.

Rams quarterback Jake Faber completed 18 of 32 passes for 296 yards, three touchdowns and an interception.

Midland High grad Brandon Infiesto was one of UTPB's bright spots, rushing 20 times for 163 yards and a touchdown.

Andrews grad Keegan Gray had three tackles for loss for the Falcons.

Both teams combined on 1,022 yards of offense.

No. 12 Oklahoma State rallies past No. 24 Cyclones 49-42

By Luke Meredith
Associated Press

AMES, Iowa — One week after letting Oklahoma break its heart, No. 12 Oklahoma State rallied late to stun 24th-ranked Iowa State — handing the Cyclones one of the most devastating defeats in school history.

Mason Rudolph threw for 376 yards and three touchdowns — including two in the final 5:55 — and Oklahoma State beat Iowa State 49-42 on Saturday to keep its Big 12 title hopes alive.

Justice Hill had 134 yards and three TD runs for the Cowboys (8-2, 5-2 Big 12, No. 15 CFP), who remain in a tie for second place in the league with two games to go.

"We're very resilient. I knew it was going to be a difficult game," Oklahoma State coach Mike Gundy said after last week's exhausting 62-52 loss to the rival Sooners.

The top two finishers in the Big 12 will meet in the championship game in Arlington, Texas, on Dec. 2.

But even if neither the Cyclones nor Cowboys make it to Jerry World, they still gave the Big 12 a game few in the league will ever forget.

Rudolph found Marcell Ateman for a 30-yard TD pass, and Hill's two-point conversion run tied the game at 42 with 5:55 left. The Cowboys jumped ahead 49-42 just two minutes later as Rudolph found Dillon Stoner for a 19-yard touchdown reception.

"We've been down so many times throughout my career. Down 14, down 21, down 17, it doesn't matter because we know we can bounce back real quick, get points on the board, get back into the game," Rudolph said.

The Cyclones got inside Oklahoma State's 3-yard line with 32 seconds left, but Zeb Noland threw an interception to A.J. Green to end the game — a call that both Iowa State fans and receiver Marchie Murdock won't soon forget.

Iowa State has now lost two straight after winning four in a row.

"It's a gut-wrenching loss. It's not easy. But college football isn't easy," Iowa State coach Matt Campbell said. "It's a game of inches, and our job is to win the inch. And we came up a little bit short."

Quarterback-linebacker Joel Lanning had a rushing and passing TD for Iowa State (6-4, 4-3). He connected with Allen Lazard on his only pass attempt of the game, a 22-yard TD strike with 14:13 left — a pass Lazard caught with one hand while falling down.

David Montgomery made it 42-34 on a subsequent 4-yard run, but Iowa State's highly-rated defense faltered down the stretch.

Montgomery had 105 yards and three TDs for the Cyclones.

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TOP 25 ROUNDUP

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Oklahoma State running back Justice Hill (5) runs from Iowa State defensive back Evrett Edwards (4) during the first half of an NCAA college football game, on Saturday, in Ames, Iowa.

NO. 1 ALABAMA 21, NO. 18 MISSISSIPPI STATE 24

STARKVILLE, Miss. — Jalen Hurts threw a 26-yard touchdown pass to DeVonta Smith with 25 seconds remaining to give No. 1 Alabama a 31-24 victory over No. 18 Mississippi State on Saturday night.

Alabama (10-0, 7-0 SEC, CFP No. 2) won its 10th straight game against Mississippi State, but this one was much more difficult than most of the others.

Mississippi State (7-3, 3-3, CFP No. 16) pushed ahead 24-17 early in the fourth quarter on Jace Christmann's 25-yard field goal, but Alabama responded to tie it at 24 on Damien Harris's 14-yard run with 9:49 left. Alabama had a chance to take the lead with about two minutes left, but a 40-yard field goal attempt by Andy Pappanastos banged off the left upright and fell harmlessly to the turf.

Mississippi State went three-and-out on the ensuing drive and Alabama took over with 1:09 remaining. That was more than enough time for the Tide, who drove six plays and 68 yards in 44 seconds for the game-winning score. The game was tight throughout with neither team leading by more than a touchdown.

Alabama's defense has been dominant for most of the season, but several injuries at linebacker throughout the season finally appeared to take a toll. Mississippi State's power running game gained 172 yards, but in the end Alabama was able to slow the Bulldogs down.

NO. 10 AUBURN 40, NO. 2 GEORGIA 17

AUBURN, Ala. — Kerryon Johnson ran for 167 yards and caught a 55-yard touchdown pass from Jarrett Stidham and No. 10 Auburn smothered No. 2 Georgia's running game in a 40-17 victory Saturday.

The Tigers (8-2, 6-1 Southeastern Conference) remained in Western Division and potentially playoff contention after snapping a three-year losing streak to one of their top rivals.

The Bulldogs (9-1, 6-1) came in with the top spot in the playoff rankings and could get a rematch if Auburn can beat No. 1 Alabama in two weeks.

The first go around wasn't pretty for Georgia. Auburn held Nick Chubb, Sony Michel and the SEC's top ground game to 46 yards, 233 below their season average.

Johnson ran 32 times and caught two passes for 66 yards. Stidham threw for 214 yards and three touchdowns, all of 30-plus yards.

Georgia special teams blunders helped set up three Auburn touchdowns, including a roughing the penalty flag in the first half. The Bulldogs fumbled away a punt return and had a 15-yard personal foul penalty in the third quarter when Auburn pulled away with two touchdowns.

Ryan Davis returned a punt 26 yards into Georgia territory, with the flag pushing Auburn even closer to the goal line. Then Davis took a screen pass 32 yards for a touchdown to make it 30-7. Darius Slayton made a 42-yard scoring grab earlier.

NO. 7 MIAMI 41, NO. 3 NOTRE DAME 8

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla.— Malik Rosier threw for a touchdown and ran for another, Deejay Dallas ran for a pair of scores and Miami overwhelmed Notre Dame.

Travis Homer rushed for 146 yards for the Hurricanes (9-0, No. 7 College Football Playoff). They forced four turnovers for the fourth consecutive week, led 27-0 at the half and handed the Irish their second-worst loss in the history of the series. Only the 58-7 Miami romp in 1985 was worse.

Miami's win came on the same day it clinched its first trip to the Atlantic Coast Conference championship game. The Hurricanes — who extended the nation's longest current winning streak to 14 games — wrapped up the Coastal Division title when Virginia lost to Louisville, and will play Clemson for the ACC crown on Dec. 2. And the Hurricanes might be in another title mix now as well, after dismantling a Notre Dame team that came in ranked No. 3 by the CFP committee.

Alize Mack caught a 14-yard pass from Brandon Wimbush for the lone touchdown for Notre Dame (8-2), which hadn't played a road game against the Hurricanes since 1989.

NO. 4 CLEMSON 31, FLORIDA STATE 14

CLEMSON, S.C. — Travis Etienne ran for 97 yards and two touchdowns, including a 1-yard burst with 3:05 left, and Clemson won the ACC Atlantic Division with a victory over Florida State.

The Tigers (9-1, 7-1, No. 4 CFP) and their dominant defense looked to have this one wrapped up when they opened a 17-0 lead with two minutes left in the third quarter. But the Seminoles (3-6, 3-5) rallied on Jacques Patrick's 9-yard scoring run and a double flea-flicker for a 66-yard TD catch by tight end Ryan Izzo.

Florida State then recovered Kelly Bryant's fumble on the Clemson 40 with 6:46 to go, putting the Seminoles in position to spoil the Tigers' College Football Playoff hopes. But safety Van Smith intercepted James Blackman's pass over the middle on the next play, setting up the TD drive that secured the win for the defending national champions.

Etienne had a 25-yard run to the FSU 5 and took it in two plays later as the chilly Death Valley crowd erupted in celebration of a chance for a third straight ACC title in Charlotte in three weeks.

Cornerback Trayvon Mullen knocked away Blackman's fourth-down pass with 2:13 left to end the Seminoles' comeback hopes.

NO. 6 WISCONSIN 38, NO. 25 IOWA 14

MADISON, Wis. — Receiver Kendric Pryor scored twice, and Wisconsin relied on stifling defense to overcome four turnovers and Iowa cornerback Josh Jackson's two touchdowns.

The win allowed the Badgers (10-0, 7-0 Big Ten, CFP No. 8) to clinch a trip to the league conference title game as West champions.

Credit their defense for another overpowering outing at chilly Camp Randall Stadium.

Leon Jacobs recovered two fumbles — one returned for a score — and fellow linebacker T.J. Edwards had an interception for the Badgers, who shut down an Iowa offense that had overwhelmed Ohio State last week.

The Hawkeyes (6-4, 3-4, CFP No. 20) were held to 66 total yards and five first downs, including just 15 yards and one first down in the first half.

NO. 11 OHIO STATE 48, NO. 13 MICHIGAN STATE 3

COLUMBUS, Ohio — J.T. Barrett threw two touchdown passes and ran for two more scores, Mike Weber ran for 162 yards and two scores and Ohio State bounced back from a deflating loss last week to rout Michigan State.

The Buckeyes (8-2, 6-1 Big Ten, CFP No. 13) scored on five of their first six possessions, led 35-3 at the half and cruised the rest of the way to claim sole possession of first place in the Big Ten East.

In a season already marked by radical highs and lows, the Buckeyes took out their frustrations on the Spartans, using a run-heavy attack to dominate them on both sides of the ball.

Ohio State outgained Michigan State 524-195, and a defense that was smoked by unranked Iowa in the 55-24 loss limited Michigan State quarterback Brian Lewerke — who threw for 445 yards last week against Penn State — to 131 yards and forced two interceptions.

Barrett was 14 for 21 for 183 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions. J.K. Dobbins, who split time with Weber, rushed 18 times for 124 yards.

NO. 14 UCF 49, UCONN 24

ORLANDO, Fla. — Otis Anderson ran for 84 yards and two touchdowns, McKenzie Milton passed for 311 yards and Central Florida pulled away from UConn.

Anderson had a 3-yard touchdown run in the first quarter and helped the undefeated Knights (9-0, 6-0 American Athletic Conference, CFP, No. 18) break it open with a 65-yard touchdown run, making it 35-17 with 14:11 left. The freshman bounced back nicely after he had a costly fumble in the third quarter.

Milton was 24 for 36. He threw a 6-yard TD pass to Marion Williams in the first quarter and a 41-yarder to Tre'Quan Smith with 7:43 left in the first half, helping the Knights to a 28-10 lead at the break. David Pindell passed for 201 yards and a touchdown and also ran for a score for UConn (3-7, 2-5).

NO. 15 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 38, COLORADO 24

BOULDER, Colo. — Sam Darnold threw two TD passes and ran for another score, Ajene Harris intercepted two passes, including one he returned for a score, and Southern California beat Colorado to wrap up the Pac-12 South title.

Darnold threw for 329 yards as he improved to 18-3 as a starter. Tailback Ronald Jones II had 142 yards to surpass Mike Garrett for sixth place on the Trojans' career rushing list.

Southern Cal (9-2, 7-1 Pac-12, No. 11 CFP) led 27-0 in the third quarter, but needed to weather a late Colorado comeback. The Trojans blocked two field goals to move to 12-0 against the Buffaloes (5-6, 2-6).

Juwann Winfree had a big day for Colorado by hauling in TD passes of 79 and 57 yards. Steven Montez threw for 376 yards.

NO. 16 PENN STATE 35, RUTGERS 6

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — Trace McSorley accounted for 258 total yards and three touchdowns and Penn State routed Rutgers after a two-loss stretch.

McSorley became Penn State's career touchdown leader with 68, overtaking Daryll Clark's record of 65 with one rushing and two passing scores, and the Nittany Lions scored 35 straight points after going down 6-0 in the first quarter.

Saquon Barkley ran for two touchdowns, and DaeSean Hamilton and Mike Gesicki each had scoring receptions for Penn State (8-2, 5-2 Big Ten). Rutgers (4-6, 3-4) got a pair of field goals from Andrew Harte.

GEORGIA TECH 28, NO. 17 VIRGINIA TECH 22

ATLANTA — TaQuon Marshall got two long touchdown passes out of his only completions, including an 80-yarder to Ricky Jeune with 6 1/2 minutes remaining, and Ajani Kerr swatted away a fourth-pass in the end zone to preserve Georgia Tech's upset.

In a game with several huge momentum swings, Virginia Tech rallied from a 21-9 deficit in the second half. The Hokies (7-3, 3-3 Atlantic Coast Conference) went ahead 22-21 when Greg Stroman returned an interception 24 yards for a touchdown off a terrible pass by Marshall with 7:27 left.

The Georgia Tech quarterback made up for his mistake just two snaps later, after the Yellow Jackets recovered a fumbled kickoff. Jeune got loose behind the secondary, hauled in the long throw and just managed to stick the ball inside the pylon before tumbling out of bounds.

It was the longest touchdown pass of the season for the Yellow Jackets (5-4, 4-3), surpassing Marshall's 60-yard scoring play to Brad Stewart early in the second half.

NO. 19 WASHINGTON STATE 33, UTAH 25

SALT LAKE CITY — Luke Falk threw for 311 yards and three touchdowns for Washington State.

The Cougars are now one win from winning the Pac-12 North and playing in the conference championship game for the first time since the league created divisions in 2011.

Washington State (9-3, 6-2 Pac-12) could have won by more, but settled for five field goals despite moving inside the Utah 30-yard line on those possessions. The Utes turned over the ball on three of its first four possessions, all in the first quarter, but the Cougars found the end zone on just one of the extra opportunities.

Utah (5-5, 2-5) had seven turnovers on the day and has lost five of its last six games. Chima Onyeukwu picked off Tyler Huntley's pass with 58 seconds remaining to seal the win.

Falk set the Pac-12 career touchdown passes record in the second quarter. He surpassed former USC quarterback Matt Barkley with his 117th touchdown pass and finished with 118.

NO. 21 MICHIGAN 35, MARYLAND 10

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Brandon Peters threw two touchdown passes, Chris Evans ran for two scores and Michigan dominated Maryland in the first half.

The Wolverines (8-2, 5-2 Big Ten) have won three straight. The Terrapins (4-6, 2-5) have lost five of six.

Before the second quarter was halfway over, Michigan had a 28-0 lead thanks to Peters' passing and some madcap miscues by Maryland.

Peters threw touchdown passes of 33 yards to Zach Gentry and 3 yards to Sean McKeon. Henry Poggi and Evans ran for scores. Evans, who scored from a yard out in the second quarter, added a 17-yard run late in the fourth quarter.

NO. 23 WEST VIRGINIA 28, KANSAS STATE 23

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Will Grier threw for 372 yards and four touchdowns, Justin Crawford added 113 yards rushing and West Virginia overcame its early mistakes to hold off Kansas State. Ka'Raun White had eight catches for 168 yards and two scores, and David Sills V also had a pair of TD catches, helping the Mountaineers (7-3, 5-2) stay alive in the race for the Big 12 title game.

The Wildcats (5-5, 3-4) closed to 28-23 early in the fourth quarter, but an offense down to third-string quarterback Skylar Thompson couldn't get its team all the way back.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL SCORES

SOUTHWEST
Cent. Arkansas 56, Incarnate Word 10
Georgia St 33, Texas St 30
Lamar 23, Houston Baptist 16
Nicholls 34, Stephen F. Austin 13
North Texas 45, UTEP 10
Oklahoma 38, TCU 20
Prairie View 35, Ark.-Pine Bluff 12
Sam Houston St. 44, Abilene Christian 35
Southern Miss. 43, Rice 34
Southern U. 33, Texas Southern 7
Texas 42, Kansas 27
Texas A&M 55, New Mexico 14
Texas Tech 38, Baylor 24
UAB 24, UTSA 19
SOUTH
Alabama 31, Mississippi St. 24
Alcorn St. 59, MVSU 0
Auburn 40, Georgia 17
Austin Peay 31, E. Kentucky 24
Bethune-Cookman 13, NC Central 10
Clemson 31, Florida St. 14
Delaware St. 33, Morgan St. 30
Drake 45, Campbell 10
FAU 48, Louisiana Tech 23
Furman 56, The Citadel 20
Georgia Tech 28, Virginia Tech 22
Grambling St. 24, Alabama St. 7
Howard 28, Norfolk St. 24
Jackson St. 10, Alabama A&M 7
Jacksonville 13, Stetson 10
Jacksonville St. 14, UT Martin 7
James Madison 20, Richmond 13
Kennesaw St. 38, Charleston Southern 0
Kentucky 44, Vanderbilt 21
LSU 33, Arkansas 10
Liberty 47, Presbyterian 28
Louisville 38, Virginia 21
Marshall 30, W. Kentucky 23
McNeese St. 44, Northwestern St. 24
Mercer 35, W. Carolina 33
Miami 41, Notre Dame 8
Michigan 35, Maryland 10
Middle Tennessee 35, Charlotte 21
Mississippi 50, Louisiana-Lafayette 22
Murray St. 31, Tennessee Tech 21
NC A&T 36, Savannah St. 17
Old Dominion 37, FIU 30
SC State 33, Hampton 15
Samford 42, ETSU 7
San Diego 63, Davidson 7
South Alabama 24, Arkansas St. 19
South Carolina 28, Florida 20
Tennessee St. 23, SE Missouri 20
Towson 26, William & Mary 14
Troy 42, Coastal Carolina 17
Tulane 31, Carolina 24, OT
UCF 49, UConn 24
Wofford 45, VMI 14
MIDWEST
E. Washington 21, North Dakota 14
Indiana 24, Illinois 14
Minnesota 54, Nebraska 21
Missouri 50, Tennessee 17
N. Dakota St. 49, South Dakota 14
N. Iowa 25, Missouri St. 10
Northwestern 23, Purdue 13
Ohio St. 48, Michigan St. 3
Oklahoma St. 49, Iowa St. 42
S. Dakota St. 27, Illinois St. 24, OT
Valparaiso 36, Butler 28
W. Illinois 45, Indiana St. 0
West Virginia 28, Kansas St. 23
Wisconsin 38, Iowa 14
Youngstown St. 28, S. Illinois 20
FAR WEST
Montana 44, N. Colorado 14
N. Arizona 37, Montana St. 36
Nevada 59, San Jose St. 14
Southern Cal 38, Colorado 24
Weber St. 63, Portland St. 17
EAST
Army 21, Duke 16
Bryant 42, Robert Morris 17
Bucknell 12, Georgetown 0
CCSU 28, Duquesne 27
Colgate 27, Lafayette 0
Columbia 18, Cornell 8
Delaware 22, Alabama St. 3
Lehigh 34, Holy Cross 21
Marist 38, Morehead St. 31
Monmouth (NJ) 41, Gardner-Webb 14
NC State 17, Boston College 14
Navy 43, SMU 40
New Hampshire 16, Elon 6
Penn 23, Harvard 6
Penn St. 35, Rutgers 6
Rhode Island 20, Villanova 6
Sacred Heart 16, St. Francis (Pa.) 7
Stony Brook 38, Wagner 10
UMass 44, Maine 31

Mayfield, Anderson lead No. 5 Oklahoma past No. 8 TCU

By Cliff Brunt
Associated Press

NORMAN, Okla. — Baker Mayfield threw three touchdown passes, Rodney Anderson had 290 yards from scrimmage and four touchdowns, and No. 5 Oklahoma rolled past No. 8 TCU 38-20 on Saturday night to take sole possession of first place in the Big 12.

Anderson ran for 151 yards and two touchdowns and caught five passes for 139 yards and two scores for the Sooners (9-1, 6-1 Big 12, No. 5 College Football Playoff). They have won five straight.

Mayfield strengthened his Heisman Trophy resume by passing for 333 yards and rushing for 50 against a TCU defense that entered the night ranked sixth in the nation in scoring defense and total defense. He did it in front of a crowd of 88,308, the largest home crowd in school history. The Sooners ran for 200 yards against the nation's No. 1 rushing defense.

Kenny Hill passed for 270 yards for the Horned Frogs (8-2, 5-2, No. 6 CFP), but he completed just 13 of 28 passes. TCU defensive end Mat Boesen was ejected in the second quarter for kicking an Oklahoma player.

TCU is tied for second place in the Big 12 and still has a chance to reach the conference title game.

Oklahoma led 38-14 at halftime. Mayfield passed for 299 yards and three touchdowns in the first half and Anderson had 117 yards and two touchdowns receiving and 86 yards and two touchdowns rushing before the break.

TEXAS ROUNDUP

NAVY 43 SMU 40

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — Navy's Malcolm Perry ran for 282 yards with four touchdowns in his first start at quarterback and backup kicker J.R. Osborn hit an 18-yard game-winning field goal as time expired to give Navy a 43-40 victory over SMU on Saturday.

Perry was originally recruited as a quarterback, but converted to slotback in the spring. Starting quarterback Zach Abey was active after suffering a shoulder injury last week against Temple, but Perry got the nod to run the triple-option offense and that proved to be a wise decision for Navy (6-3, 4-3 American Athletic Conference).

NORTH TEXAS 45 UTEP 10

DENTON — Mason Fine threw for a career-high four touchdowns as North Texas rolled over UTEP 45-10 on Saturday to clinch the Conference USA West title and keep the Miners winless on the season.

North Texas (7-3, 6-1) will play in the conference championship game on Dec. 2.

Fine was 23-of-35 passing for 213 yards. He twice hit Jaelon Darden with scoring tosses in the first half for a 14-7 lead. He nailed Rico Bussey Jr. in stride for a 60-yard touchdown pass to go up 28-10 with 5:19 left in the third quarter.

TEXAS A&M 55 NEW MEXICO 14

COLLEGE STATION — Nick Starkel threw for a career-high 416 yards and four touchdowns before sitting down at halftime as Texas A&M built a huge lead and cruised to a 55-14 win over New Mexico on Saturday night.

Starkel had appeared in each of the last two games, but was starting for the first time since Texas A&M's opener against UCLA when he broke his left ankle in the third quarter. He threw TD passes of 60, 10, 1 and 36 yards before he was replaced by freshman Kellen Mond for the start of the third quarter with A&M (6-4) up 48-7.

Damion Ratley had two touchdown receptions and Christian Kirk had 120 yards receiving and a touchdown and added a 90-yard punt return score to help the Aggies snap a two-game skid.

Elliott and Blaney try to bring new faces to NASCAR finale

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

AVONDALE, Ariz. — There's no denying the rapid changing of the guard in NASCAR, and this year's playoffs proved how quickly the young new drivers can make their way in this sport.

Chase Elliott, Ryan Blaney, Austin Dillon and Kyle Larson claimed four of the 16 playoff positions — a glimpse of the future of NASCAR.

Blaney and Elliott are the only two drivers still in the playoffs, and the two are among five drivers racing Sunday at Phoenix Raceway for one spot in next week's championship deciding finale. Blaney will start from the pole , and Elliott will start fourth.

Their competition? Seven-time and defending NASCAR champion Jimmie Johnson , 2012 champion Brad Keselowski and Denny Hamlin, probably the most successful active driver without a title.

A win Sunday by any of the five earns them an automatic berth into the finale at Homestead-Miami Speedway. Already qualified for the title race are 2015 champion Kyle Busch, 2014 champion Kevin Harvick and Martin Truex Jr., the most dominant driver this season.

Blaney is ready to roll.

"I don't really feel a lot of pressure in any situation," he said after winning the pole. He also noted that by points, he's not currently eligible for the fourth spot. Should none of the contenders win at Phoenix, the final spot at Homestead will go to the highest-ranked driver, and that is currently Keselowski.

"We're really not under any pressure right now. We're out," Blaney said. "If we were in right now, if we were like in a spot where we could get bumped out, that would be pressure. We really don't have much to lose just because we're not in a position to where we're already locked in.

"I just think we're up for the challenge. I think this team rises to those occasions and that's what I like."

Elliott likened his situation to the closing laps of the Daytona 500, when he ran out of gas while leading. Opportunities come and go, and he's learning that he's got to grab them when he has the chance. He'd been eliminated from the playoffs before this round last year, so Elliott embraced that he's still got a shot.

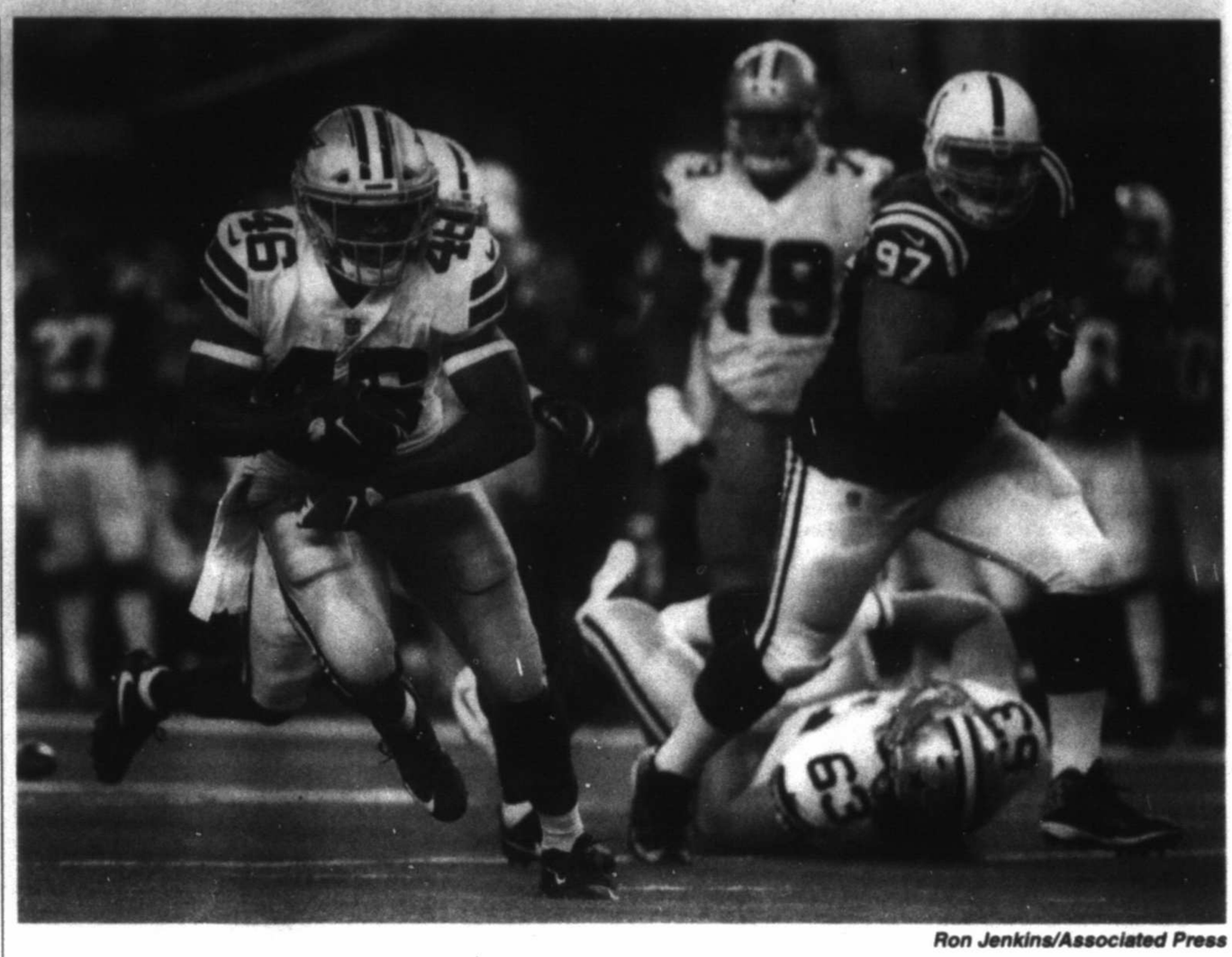
"This is my second time in the playoffs, we are still a part of it right now and that is more than I could say a year ago," said Elliott. "I have learned a lot and I have learned that I don't want to miss out on those opportunities moving forward. I am obviously going to try to do everything that I can if you ever have the chances down the road."

If Blaney and Elliott fail to advance to the championship, it will be a victory for the old guard in NASCAR. The three already in at Homestead are longtime Cup veterans, which is no longer the best thing to be in NASCAR. As older drivers are being moved around for young, new faces, many have also gone overlooked.

Keselowski has been overshadowed by teammate Blaney this season, while Elliott has been the best of the Hendrick Motorsports drivers and has easily outperformed teammate Johnson through these playoffs. Even Harvick has had a very quiet season. Hamlin has a prolific role with the drivers council, but his performance hasn't been anything of headlines this year.

NASCAR Cup Phoenix Can-Am 500 Lineup
Friday's qualifying; race Sunday
At Phoenix Raceway
Avondale, Ariz.
(Car number in parentheses)

1. (21) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 137.942 mph.
2. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 137.936.
3. (42) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 137.926.
4. (24) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 137.641.
5. (78) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota, 137.583.
6. (4) Kevin Harvick, Ford, 137.247.
7. (20) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 137.190.
8. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 137.075.
9. (22) Joey Logano, Ford, 136.711.
10. (19) Daniel Suarez, Toyota, 136.467.
11. (77) Erik Jones, Toyota, 136.374.
12. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 136.224.
13. (1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 136.841.
14. (88) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 136.322.
15. (41) Kurt Busch, Ford, 136.307.
16. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 136.302.
17. (5) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 136.281.
18. (31) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 136.044.
19. (27) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 135.864.
20. (14) Clint Bowyer, Ford, 135.670.
21. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 135.588.
22. (43) Aric Almirola, Ford, 135.308.
23. (47) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 135.227.
24. (10) Danica Patrick, Ford, 134.862.
25. (6) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 135.711.
26. (38) David Ragan, Ford, 135.354.
27. (17) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 135.318.
28. (95) Michael McDowell, Chevrolet, 135.293.
29. (13) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 135.014.
30. (32) Matt DiBenedetto, Ford, 134.947.
31. (37) Chris Buescher, Chevrolet, 134.695.
32. (34) Landon Cassill, Ford, 134.519.
33. (23) Corey LaJoie, Toyota, 133.551.
34. (72) Cole Whitt, Chevrolet, 133.546.
35. (7) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, 133.482.
36. (66) David Starr, Toyota, 132.558.
37. (15) DJ Kennington, Chevrolet, 132.251.
38. (33) Jeffrey Earnhardt, Chevrolet, 131.617.
39. (51) Kyle Weatherman, Chevrolet, 127.042.
40. (00) Derrike Cope, Chevrolet, 0.000.



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Dallas Cowboys running back Alfred Morris (46) runs the ball against the Indianapolis Colts during the first half of a preseason NFL game in Arlington. The Cowboys' enviable running back depth will be tested, as will their three-game winning streak, when they are expected to face the Atlanta Falcons on Sunday without Ezekiel Elliott.

Cowboys forced to take on Atlanta Falcons without Ezekiel Elliott

By Charles Odum
Associated Press

ATLANTA — The Dallas Cowboys' enviable running back depth will be tested, as will their three-game winning streak, when they figure to face the Atlanta Falcons on Sunday without Ezekiel Elliott.

Barring another late legal maneuver, Elliott, the second-leading rusher in the NFL, will begin a six-game suspension for alleged domestic violence this week. A federal appeals court in New York City on Thursday denied his request to extend a hold on the suspension.

The Cowboys (5-3), two-and-a-half games behind first-place Philadelphia in the NFC East, will attempt to maintain momentum without Elliott. It's a huge loss, but Dallas has proven backups, including former 1,000-yard rushers Alfred Morris and Darren McFadden. Rod Smith, a big third-year back, is another option.

McFadden flourished in 2015, when he rushed for 1,089 yards for Dallas. Morris had three straight 1,000-yard seasons for Washington from 2012-14. Morris has played in seven games as a backup to Elliott this season while McFadden has been inactive.

Cowboys offensive coordinator Scott Linehan said last week Morris would have the first opportunity to replace Elliott.

Falcons coach Dan Quinn expects no big changes in the Cowboys' offense.

"I don't think the scheme would change because the style of what they do is pretty clear," Quinn said. "Alfred and McFadden are certainly backs who have proven themselves in our league."

Quinn doesn't agree with speculation the Cowboys will use a committee approach at running back.

"I would say right now they feature one back," he said, adding "Maybe that would change."

Replacing Elliott won't be easy. He led the NFL with 1,631 yards rushing as a rookie in 2016 and already has 783 yards with seven touchdowns this season.

The Falcons prepared to face Elliott this week, but at least one player dared to hope he wouldn't be available.

"We're going to prepare like he's playing and hope he doesn't," said safety Ricardo Allen before Thursday's ruling.

Here are some things to watch when the Falcons try to end a streak of two straight home losses in their new $1.5 billion Mercedes-Benz Stadium:

SUPER PRAISE: Atlanta has lost four of five , and has scored no more than 17 points in any of the losses. Even so, Dallas coach Jason Garrett referred to quarterback Matt Ryan, running backs Devonta Freeman and Tevin Coleman and others when he said he still sees the talent that took the Falcons to last season's Super Bowl.

"They've got a big-time quarterback," Garrett said. "They've got two big-time running backs. They've got good tight ends. They've got playmakers all over the place at receiver. ... They've got a lot of weapons. They know how to use them. They challenge you a lot of different ways."

BIG-NAME PRACTICE OBSERVERS: The teams' top wide receivers, Atlanta's Julio Jones and Dez Bryant of Dallas, are battling injuries. Jones (ankle) and Bryant (knee, ankle) did not participate in practice Wednesday and Thursday.

It's not unusual for Jones, who has a history of lower-leg injuries, to play after missing practice. Bryant hinted he'll be in uniform.

"We're going to see," Bryant said Thursday. "In my eyes, the way that I feel, yeah, of course, I'm going to be on the field Sunday. It's not just up to me."

BRYANT HURTING: Falcons placekicker Mike Meyer may be forced into action as veteran Matt Bryant missed practice Wednesday and Thursday with a right calf injury . Meyer, who made three of four field goals in the preseason, was re-signed to the practice squad on Wednesday for his third stay with the team. He was released before the season and then signed to the practice squad on Oct. 11 when Bryant was slowed with a back injury but did not miss a game.

Bryant hurt his leg in warmups before last week's 20-17 loss at Carolina and still made a 53-yard field goal.

DOWNER FOR DEZ: Bryant is enduring the longest streak of sub-100-yard games since a 21-game stretch spanning his first three seasons (2010-12). His current stretch is at 15 games. Terrance Williams, a solid No. 2 who has struggled in the lead role when Bryant was injured in recent years, is coming off his first 100-yard game of the season and third of his five-year career. He had 141 yards on a career-high nine catches in last week's 28-17 win over Kansas City.

SACK STREAKS: David Irving is gaining on fellow defensive end DeMarcus Lawrence, who is second in the NFL with 10 1/2 sacks. Irving leads all defensive tackles with six sacks in four games after missing the Cowboys' first four on a suspension for performance enhancers. The rangy 6-foot-7 Irving has a sack in each game and has already risen to second on the team behind Lawrence, whose seven-game sack streak to start the season ended against the Chiefs.

William Byron wins Phoenix as Xfinity Series field is set

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

AVONDALE, Ariz. — A rag-tag pit crew led William Byron to his fourth victory of the season.

He also was one of the four drivers to qualify Saturday for next week's Xfinity Series championship finale.

Byron, Justin Allgaier, and Elliott Sadler — all from JR Motorsports — and Daniel Hemric took the four spots in all-Chevrolet race for the Xfinity Series championship.

Byron wrapped up his spot on points during Saturday's race at Phoenix Raceway. With nothing to lose, he used the final pit stop to take two tires in an effort to gain track position and win the race. He got out first, behind a crew that was assembled on the fly.

JR Motorsports, the team owned by Dale Earnhardt Jr., his sister, Kelley, and Rick Hendrick, found themselves scrambling Saturday morning when a mechanical issue forced a plane carrying its pit crews to make an emergency landed on its way from North Carolina.

The plane landed in Arkansas, and even though Hendrick Motorsports sent a plane to retrieve the crew members, they did not arrive at Phoenix in time for the race.

So, Byron, Sadler and Allgaier were missing regular pit crew members.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. said after the race he was "freaking out" when he learned about the crew situation.

All four berths in next Saturday night's race at Homestead-Miami Speedway were on the line in Phoenix. It made for an enjoyable race for the final spot between Hemric and Cole Custer, as the two battled for position in the closing laps. Custer was fourth and Hemric fifth, and if they stayed that way, Hemric had the spot. But Christopher Bell chased Hemric, who couldn't afford to give up a position between Custer.

NASCAR XFINITY-Ticket Galaxy 200 Results
Saturday
At Phoenix Raceway
Avondale, Ariz.
Lap length: 1.00 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (2) William Byron, Chevrolet, 200 laps, 0 rating, 60 points.
2. (6) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 200, 0, 0.
3. (1) Erik Jones, Toyota, 200, 0, 0.
4. (8) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 200, 0, 0.
5. (7) Daniel Hemric, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 47.
6. (9) Blake Koch, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 34.
7. (3) Cole Custer, Ford, 200, 0, 38.
8. (5) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 0.
9. (16) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 0.
10. (10) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 40.
11. (4) Matt Tifft, Toyota, 200, 0, 28.
12. (18) Casey Mears, Ford, 200, 0, 25.
13. (21) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 0.
14. (20) Ryan Reed, Ford, 200, 0, 23.
15. (15) Brandon Jones, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 22.
16. (12) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 21.
17. (19) Spencer Gallagher, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 20.
18. (13) Elliott Sadler, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 19.
19. (22) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 18.
20. (23) JJ Yeley, Toyota, 200, 0, 17.
21. (28) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 16.
22. (17) Corey Lajoie, Toyota, 199, 0, 0.
23. (24) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 199, 0, 14.
24. (25) Ray Black Jr, Chevrolet, 199, 0, 13.
25. (29) Garrett Smithley, Chevrolet, 197, 0, 12.
26. (31) Mario Gosselin, Chevrolet, 197, 0, 11.
27. (32) Harrison Rhodes, Chevrolet, 195, 0, 10.
28. (36) Timmy Hill, Chevrolet, 194, 0, 9.
29. (30) David Starr, Chevrolet, 193, 0, 8.
30. (37) Caesar Bacarella, Chevrolet, 193, 0, 7.
31. (38) John Graham, Chevrolet, 188, 0, 6.
32. (11) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, accident, 179, 0, 5.
33. (26) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, 169, 0, 4.
34. (33) Morgan Shepherd, Chevrolet, brakes, 47, 0, 3.
35. (27) Joe Nemechek, Chevrolet, brakes, 44, 0, 0.
36. (40) Carl Long, Toyota, electrical, 37, 0, 1.
37. (34) Jeff Green, Chevrolet, brakes, 30, 0, 1.
38. (14) Brennan Poole, Chevrolet, accident, 24, 0, 1.
39. (39) Mike Harmon, Dodge, engine, 19, 0, 1.
40. (35) Gray Gaulding, Chevrolet, electrical, 6, 0, 0.

Rams return home to face Texans as true playoff contenders

By Greg Beacham
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — After a full month away from the Coliseum, the Los Angeles Rams are returning home as a bona fide playoff contender.

With Jared Goff throwing touchdown passes and Aaron Donald wrecking opposing offenses, these exciting Rams (6-2) could be the next big thing on Hollywood's sports landscape.

They've won three straight games to take the NFC West lead midway through the season, making serious progress toward their first winning season since 2003 and their first postseason berth since 2004.

But those three straight wins all occurred thousands of miles away from Los Angeles, where the Dodgers' thrilling World Series run and the ever-popular Lakers' new season understandably dominated sports conversation over the past month.

The Rams are back at the Coliseum on Sunday to face the injury-plagued Houston Texans (3-5), and LA fans can finally see what they've been missing.

"In LA, the one thing I've learned is this is a city that likes people that win," Goff said. "When you win, they come. And we have been winning, so hopefully they'll come."

The Rams are big favorites in their return against the Texans (3-5), whose own playoff hopes are in trouble. With J.J. Watt and Deshaun Watson sidelined by injury and unproven Tom Savage likely starting at quarterback, the Rams have a solid opportunity to cement their status as an NFL power on the rise.

Doing something big at home would be an undeniable boost. The Rams are unbeaten away from LA this season, but just 1-2 at the Coliseum. They've only won twice in 10 regular-season games at their temporary home since moving back from St. Louis.

"It's always good to get back home, but it's more important to win when you get back," Rams linebacker Alec Ogletree said. "We realize we've got to show our fans what we're all about."

They're about exciting football: With the NFL's top-scoring offense, the Rams already have won more games and scored more points in the first half of this season than they managed in their entire 2016 homecoming season. Coach Sean McVay's offense attracts most of the attention, but coordinator Wade Phillips' defense has yielded just 11 points per game over the past four contests.

That could be daunting for the Texans, who have lost two straight since their bye week and three of four overall. Watson's knee injury is a crushing blow for Houston, but coach Bill O'Brien hopes Savage can improve on his understandably shaky start last week in a loss to Indianapolis.

O'Brien said his advice to Savage heading to the Coliseum will be to "play loose. Play free. Let it rip. Go out there, have some fun. Don't worry about anything other than making the right reads, getting us into the right play and let it rip."

Here are more things to watch when these franchises meet for just the fourth time:

MORE CHUNKS: Despite Watson's absence, the Texans still have plenty of skill-position talent on offense, including receiver DeAndre Hopkins — who has scored as many touchdowns (eight) as the Rams' entire receiving group — and running back Lamar Miller.

NFL GLANCE

Standings

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	6	2	0	.750	216	179
Buffalo	5	3	0	.625	174	149
Miami	4	4	0	.500	116	179
N.Y Jets	4	5	0	.444	191	207
South						
Tennessee	5	3	0	.625	181	193
Jacksonville	5	3	0	.625	206	117
Houston	3	5	0	.375	229	208
Indianapolis	3	6	0	.333	162	260
North						
Pittsburgh	6	2	0	.750	167	131
Baltimore	4	5	0	.444	190	171
Cincinnati	3	5	0	.375	129	158
Cleveland	0	8	0	.000	119	202
West						
Kansas City	6	3	0	.667	253	208
Oakland	4	5	0	.444	198	214
Denver	3	5	0	.375	150	196
L.A. Chargers	3	5	0	.375	150	152

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	8	1	0	.889	283	179
Dallas	5	3	0	.625	229	179
Washington	4	4	0	.500	177	194
N.Y Giants	1	7	0	.125	129	207
South						
New Orleans	6	2	0	.750	221	155
Carolina	6	3	0	.667	168	159
Atlanta	4	4	0	.500	170	172
Tampa Bay	2	6	0	.250	158	198
North						
Minnesota	6	2	0	.750	179	135
Detroit	4	4	0	.500	206	186
Green Bay	4	4	0	.500	181	191
Chicago	3	5	0	.375	134	171
West						
L.A. Rams	6	2	0	.750	263	155
Seattle	6	3	0	.667	211	165
Arizona	4	5	0	.444	155	223
San Francisco	0	9	0	.000	143	239

Scores & Schedule

Thursday's Game
Seattle 22, Arizona 16

Today's Games
Pittsburgh at Indianapolis, noon
Minnesota at Washington, noon
L.A. Chargers at Jacksonville, noon
New Orleans at Buffalo, noon
Green Bay at Chicago, noon
Cincinnati at Tennessee, noon
N.Y Jets at Tampa Bay, noon
Cleveland at Detroit, noon
Houston at L.A. Rams, 3:05 p.m.
N.Y Giants at San Francisco, 3:25 p.m.
Dallas at Atlanta, 3:25 p.m.
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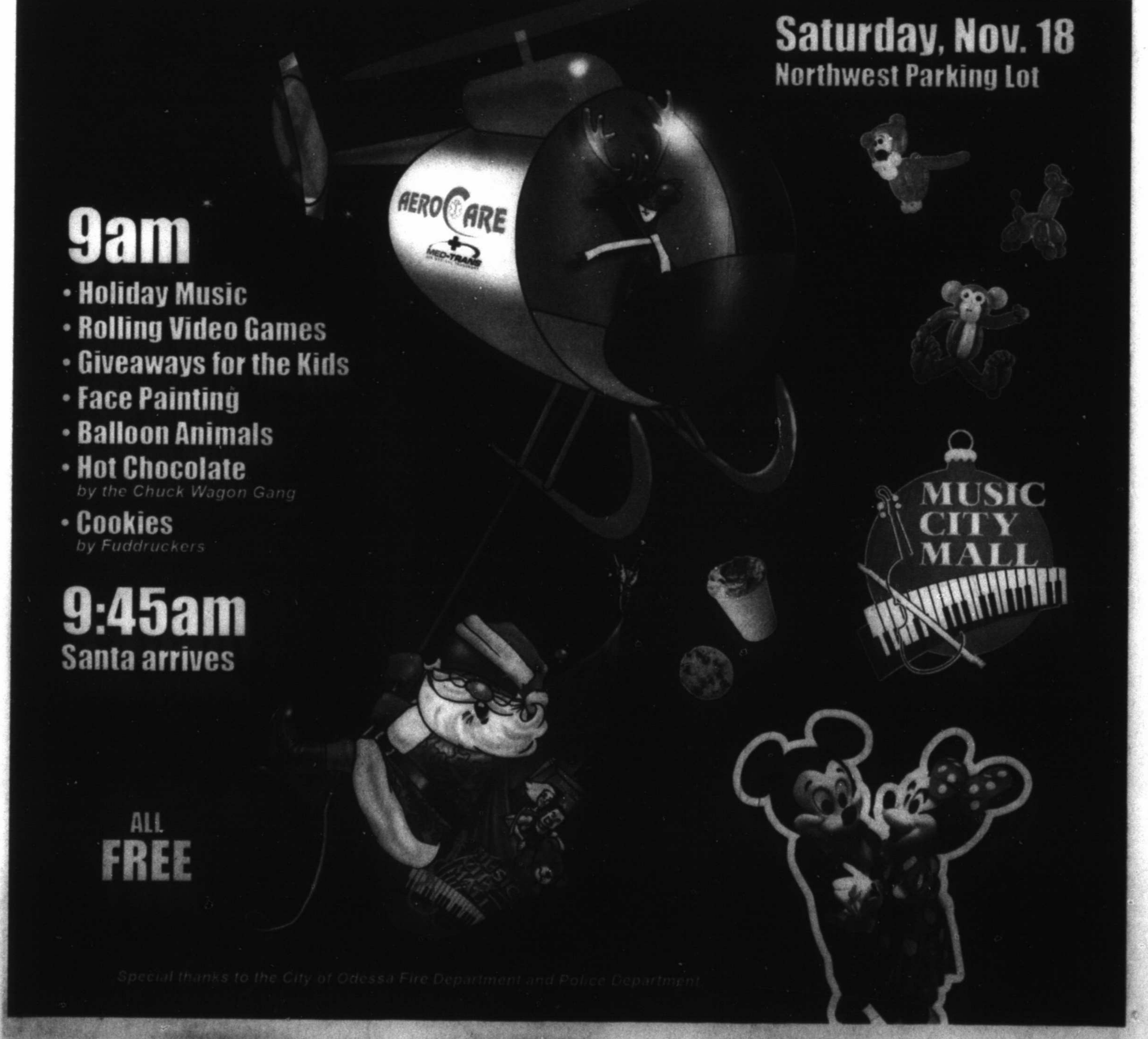

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The house has a very impressive exterior and is located on a cul-de-sac. As you enter, you will notice the beautiful staircase leading up to a two-story landing. Hand-scraped wood flooring flows throughout main areas of the home. To the left is a bonus room behind glass French doors. To the right is the extra large formal dining, and living area. Ahead of the entry is the den where a wall of windows provides a great view of the back yard. The den has an open two-story ceiling and looks up to the landing where there is a seating area. Built-in cabinets with storage surround a cozy fireplace and mantle. A second staircase leads up to the landing from the den.

The kitchen is open to the den and features granite countertops, stone backsplash and a wrap around bar for extra seating. The cabinets have custom painting and the elegant center island resembles a piece of furniture. The island provides an additional prep area and includes a sink that matches the copper kitchen sink. A hallway off the kitchen leads to a spacious laundry room with closet, sink and cabinets. Access to the three car garage with workshop space is here as well. There is also a nearby half bath.

A hall off the den leads to the master bedroom. Like new carpet covers all the bedroom floors in the house. An exterior door leads to the back porch and yard. The master bath includes a corner tub, separate shower, two dressing areas and sinks and his and hers walk-in closets. A second bedroom is next to the master and faces the front yard. It has a full bath and large closet.

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- High school diploma or equivalent
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GET THE JOB | WRITING

Being 'Overqualified'

America's slow-growth economy in the past few years has led to a job market where experienced, well-educated people may find themselves looking for entry-level jobs.

Whether you're seeking to start a new career — which often means re-starting at the bottom of the corporate ladder — or just need a lower-level position to pay the bills, here are some tips for people who find themselves described as "overqualified" for a job.

Commit to the long haul

When an employer labels you as overqualified, they're really saying they're worried about how long you'll stick around.

They don't want the expense or hassle of replacing you after a short period of time. Make it clear that you're willing to commit to a long term at the job — in writing, if necessary — and that they don't have to worry about you leaving after a year or two.

Relish the challenge

When a job candidate has plenty of experience, even at higher-level positions, the potential employer might also worry whether a lower-level job would provide enough of a challenge to keep you engaged.

Stress how much you'll enjoy the challenges of the new job, and include lots of specific examples of goals you would like to set and ways you can raise the bar for yourself.

Don't knock the salary

Finally, your future employer may worry that you won't be satisfied with a lower pay rate.

Emphasize that you aren't as interested in the money as you are in the challenge of the new job, and be honest about it. You want them to know you're focused on working for the right company in an enjoyable position, not just the size of your paycheck.

If you think your employer might have some qualms about your step down the career ladder, do everything you can to make sure they know you're serious, committed and could do a great job for them.

An honest, heart-to-heart explanation of why you want the job can do a lot to calm their fears.

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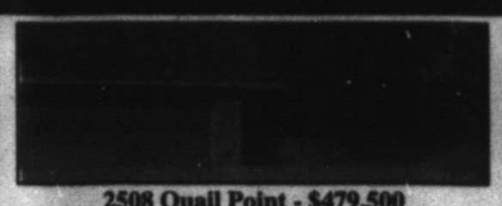

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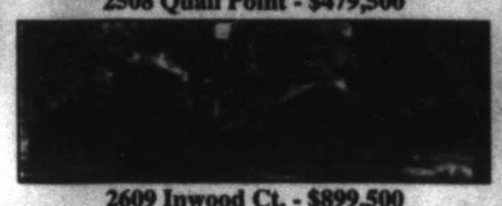

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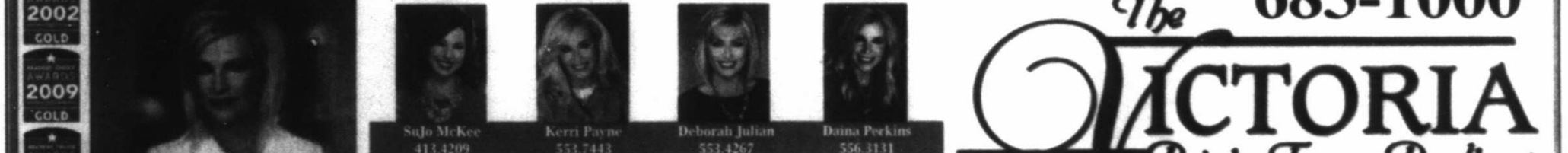

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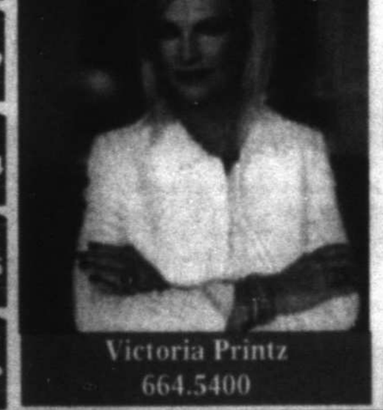

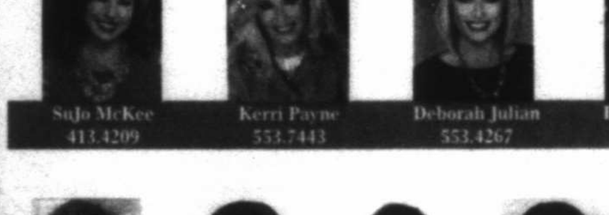

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2501 NCR 1278-Spectacular 4 bed/ 3 bath/2 living/2 dining home w/3 gar & RV hookup on 1.24 acres in lovely Estrada Estates! Granite thru-out, gourmet kitchen w/ top stainless appl! Private backyard that extends beyond fencing! **$489,900**

4804 Crestwood Ave.-Spectacular find on quiet cul-de-sac! Huge 4 bed/2.5 bath/2 dining/2 living home w/ dazzling pool! Very spacious bedrooms, closets & lg. living areas! Lovely landscaped front yard & low maintenance backyard! **$399,900**

2900 N Garfield St.-Executive style townhouse w/ 3 bed (downstairs master w/ 2 baths)/4.5 baths/2 living areas (great room+upstairs study)/2 dining-wet bar/2 fireplaces & 3 car gar! Low maint front courtyard & pool/hot tub & cabana area in back! **$390,000**

5215 Quicksand Dr.-1% buyer incentive w/ acceptable offer! 4 bed/2.5 bath w/2 dining areas & updated gourmet kitchen w/ granite, gas cooktop & stainless appl! Cozy fireplace & built-ins! Lovely grounds & patio! **$375,000**

5708 San Miguel Ave.-Better than new! 4 bed/2.5 bath/3 living (den, game, media) 2-story home in Adobe Meadows! Downstairs seq. master suite, gourmet kitchen w/ granite & stainless appl! Low maint. front w/ huge backyard! **$349,900**

6900 Cowboy Dr.-Spectacular 4 bed/3 bath/2 living or 2 dining area home on corner cul-de-sac lot! "Hardwood" tile flooring thru-out (carpet in beds), & gourmet kitchen w/ granite & stainless appl! Fantastic patio w/ lg backyard! **$329,900**

2907 Princeton Ave.-Fabulous & updated to the max! 4 (or could be 5)bed/3 living (game, study, den)/huge 2 car gar+workshop+storage! Gourmet kitchen w/ granite, updated cabinets & stainless appl! Lg. backyard w/ pergola! **$325,000**

1300 W Tennessee Ave-This great Old Midland location holds 2 properties! Spacious 4 bed/2 bath/lg. kitchen & den home w/ guest house w/ 2 beds & 1 full bath! Both houses have their own yards! New roof 9/1/2017! **$269,900**

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

2302 Haynes Dr.-Incredible find- fantastic price! Superbly updated 3 bed/3.5 bath/2 living/2 car gar low maint townhouse w/lovely (small) landscaped backyard! Master suite is huge- 2 full baths & 2 walk-in closets! **$275,000**

2602 Shandon Avenue - Wonderfully updated 3 bed/2 full baths/2 living areas/2 dining & 2 car garage home! Spacious open floor plan w/windows & plantation shutters! Beautiful back yard with enclosed a/c & heated patio! A 224 sq.foot a/c workshop & storage! **$263,500**

1308 E Spruce-Wow! What a fantastic find! 3 bed/2 bath/2 car gar! Gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances: gas cooktop, dishwasher, microwave & pantry! Custom finishes on cabinets & gorgeous bronze fixtures! **$230,000**

1310 E Spruce-Wow! What a fantastic find! 3 bed/2 bath/2 car gar! Gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances: gas cooktop, dishwasher, microwave & pantry! Custom finishes on cabinets & gorgeous bronze fixtures! **$219,900**

1312 E Spruce-Wow! What a fantastic find! 3 bed/2 bath/2 car gar! Gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances: gas cooktop, dishwasher, microwave & pantry! Custom finishes on cabinets & gorgeous bronze fixtures! **$219,900**

2539 Faulkner-Absolutely darling low maintenance 3 bed/2 bath home w/ lovely covered patio, small backyard & 2 car garage! High ceilings, designer paint colors & faux finishes! Fantastic price for this home in tip-top condition! **$219,900**

1304 Spruce Ave.-Wow! What a fantastic find! 3 bed/2 bath/2 car gar! Gourmet kitchen w/stainless appliances: gas cooktop, dishwasher, microwave & pantry! Custom finishes on cabinets & gorgeous bronze fixtures! **$219,900**

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3010 W Ohio Ave.-Cute! 3 bed/2 bath/2 living (great room+ den/sunroom)/1 dining/2 car gar home with low maintenance yard w/storage building! Light & bright w/ walls of windows & exposed wood beams w/ fireplace! Tile, carpet & cement thru-out! **$179,900**

7202 ECR 60-Fantastic and well maintained 3 bed/2 bath mobile home sitting on a 1.1 acre corner lot! Open floor plan w/kitchen/breakfast dining & great room! Sequestered master w/garden tub & dual sinks! **$165,000**

308 Sunset St.-Cozy & cute! 2 bed/1 bath home w/ 1 car garage! Large landscaped private backyard w/ covered patio centrally located to everything! **$163,900**

908 Roosevelt Ave (Coleman)-Acreage with in-town amenities! 2.7 acres outside of the city w/ city utilities! No restrictions! 3 bed/1 bath/bonus room! Washer & dryer stay! Detached gar w/ 2 storage areas plus small shed! A few livestock! **$40,000**

COMMERCIAL, LAND AND LOTS

0000 CR 258, Coleman, TX 76834-95 acres of beautiful country! Native grass, 2 stock ponds & oil production! 14x60 Morgan bldg 1 bed/1 bath/ central HVAC, septic & satellite tv. Storage bldg, worker rig, tools, xtra fencing & mower! **$360,000**

1414 Tejas-7.9 Acres w/ 349 ranch estates (just north on big spring across from midland country club) **$260,000**

713 Indiana Avenue-Vacant lot in great downtown location! Approx. acres 0.321 in West End Subdivision! Zoned for commercial or residential (C-1, LR3) **$110,000**

Timber Wolf Estates-Fast growing subdivision timber wolf estates--city of midland, martin co. Appr 5 acre lots @ $13k/acre, plat available. Water wells/septic system/fence can be added to price but @ buyers expense. Shoryland electric: Can attend midland isd or stanton isd. Min home 2,800 sq ft. **$62,400**

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Colter Estates-Fabulous subdivision consistently located in gardendale-colter estates-16 lots large. 25 Acres plat available. Roads will be paved by developer. Water well/septic system/fence can be added to sales price but @ buyers exp. min home 2800 sq ft, buyer has choice of builder, plans approved by developer. **$30,000**

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3614 W. Kansas Ave - 3 bed/2 bath	**$1,800**
1603 Hodges Dr - 3 bed/2 bath	**$1,700**
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Request for Proposals

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For the
Iraan General Hospital District
Physical Therapy Expansion
Iraan, Texas

Proposals Statements will be received attention: Iraan General Hospital C/O Teresa Callahan, CEO at 600 Hwy. 349 North, Iraan, Texas, 79744, until 2:00 PM (Local Time), December 13, 2017.

A Pre-Submission Conference (not mandatory) will be held at 2:00 PM (Local Time), Wednesday December 6, 2017 at the Iraan General Hospital Board Room, 600 Hwy. 349 North, Iraan, Texas 79744.
A site walk thru will be conducted after the meeting

The Request for proposals and any questions regarding the RFP may be addressed by contacting Diana Bravo Gonzalez, AIA, Senior Project Manager with Broaddus & Associates via email at dgonzalez@broaddusassociates.com, or call (956)545-5504. All questions regarding this RFQ should be addressed in writing via email

Legal and Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is Requesting Proposals for:

Defibrillators
for
Midland Memorial Hospital.

Specifications may be secured at Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital located at 400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway, Midland TX 79701 on or after**Monday, November 6th, 2017.**

All proposals must be received in the Department of Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital by **12 Noon, Tuesday, November 21st, 2017.**

All proposals must be sealed and labeled "**RFP # 1232-110617**"

Under no circumstances will faxed proposals from bidders be accepted.

All proposals must be price protected until **November 21st, 2018**.

All proposals will remain confidential until after an award has been made. Offerors will then be allowed to review the proposals in the purchasing office according to the policy and procedures of Midland Memorial Hospital. Midland County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

Proposals shall be addressed to:
Rachel Hanna Jones
Director, Supply Chain
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Memorial Hospital
400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Pkwy
Midland, Texas 79701

Legal and Public Notices

CC19836

CITATION BY PUBLICATION
THE STATE OF TEXAS
CAUSE NO. CC19836

TO ANY SHERIFF OR ANY CONSTABLE WITH THE STATE OF TEXAS:
YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to cause to be published once each week for four consecutive weeks in a newspaper printed in Midland County, Texas, the accompanying citation, of which the herein below following is a true copy.
TO: The Unknown Heirs at Law of Roxanna Lee Tarango, Deceased,
Defendants, GREETINGS:
YOU AND EACH OF YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable County Court at Law of Midland County, described below, at the Courthouse being located at 500 N. Loraine St., Suite Number 6, in the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas, by filing a written answer with the Clerk of the Court at or before 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being filed in said court, on the docket of said court and styled,
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.
Plaintiff,
v.
Alex Adrian Lujan and the Unknown Heirs at Law of Roxanna Lee Tarango,
Deceased,
Defendants.
Cause No. **CC19836**
Court: **County Court at Law, Midland County, Texas**
Pleading: **Plaintiff's Original Petition**
Date of Filing: **September 27, 2017**
Nature of Suit: **Suit Involving land: BEING LOT 3, BLOCK 1, PUEBLO SAN JUAN, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF MIDLAND, MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF OF RECORD IN CABINET H, PAGE 40, PLAT RECORDS OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS.**
Plaintiff requests that upon final hearing, that Defendants be cited to appear and answer, and, the Court enter judgment granting: a declaration that all of Decedent's Heirs have been made parties to this suit and are vested with all of Decedent's right, title, and interest in the Property; and a declaration that Plaintiff's statutory lien against the Property be enforced by a foreclosure, that through foreclosure the Defendants be divested, and that Plaintiff be vested with all of Decedent's and Defendants' right, title, and interest to the Property; or a declaration that vendor's lien held by the Mortgagee upon the Property gives the Mortgagee superior title to that of the Defendants, that Defendants be divested through foreclosure of the vendor's lien by non-judicial sale, and that upon such sale Mortgagee be vested with all of Decedent's and Defendants' right, title, and interest to the Property; and attorney fees and costs of suit; and all other relief, in law and in equity, to which Plaintiff may be entitled.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any Judgment or Decree which will be binding upon you.

The officer executing this citation shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of Law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.
ISSUED AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE, at
Midland, Midland County, Texas.
Issue Date: October 19th, 2017

ATTEST: Ross Bush, District Clerk
500 N. Loraine St.
Suite Number 300
Midland, Midland County, Texas 79701

By Candace Morney

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days after you were served this citation and the above pleading, a default judgment may be taken against you.
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Plaintiff's Attorney

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: **L. Shane Stokes**
Attorney at Law
300 North Marienfeld, Suite 700
Midland, TX 79701

DATED the 7th day of November, 2017.

L. Shane Stokes
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Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Steven R. Enderson, Deceased, were issued on November 3, 2017, in Cause No. 17-08-U1915-PRO, pending in the County Court of Upton County, Texas, to: Marilyn Enderson

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them to the undersigned within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

c/o: **Austin L. Ramsey**
Attorney at Law
300 N. Marienfeld Suite 700
MIDLAND, TX 79701

DATED the 8th day of November, 2017.

/s/ AUSTIN L. RAMSEY
Austin L. Ramsey
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Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Edith I. Garst, Deceased, were issued on November 7,2017, in Cause No. P19224, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Judith E. Garst Brown, Independent Executor, whose residential address is 1813 Devonshire Court, Midland, Texas 79705.

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and in the manner prescribed by law, in care of the Executor.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR EXCEPTION TO SWR 26/27 SURFACE COMMINGLING PERMIT:

Notice is hereby given that Diamondback E&P LLC (RRC P-5 #217012) has filed with the Texas Railroad Commission the following P-17 Application for the Exception to Statewide Rule (SWR) 26 and/or 27 to surface commingle oil and casinghead gas production from the following oil and gas leases: Gridiron S001MS, S001WA, S001WB, S002LS, S002MS, S002WA, S003LS, S017LS, S018WB, S017WB, S017WA and S018MS (RRC Identifier #45236), Line Drive A 1LS (RRC Identifier #46870) and Gridiron JV S000WA (RRC Identifier #826322). All wells are in the Spraberry (Trend Area) Field in Midland County, Texas. This application is for common storage, common separation and casinghead gas metering by allocation by well test. Production will be allocated by W-10 Tests. Any royalty or working interest owners or offset operators who have not received written notification, please consider this your Notice of Application. If you have objections to the issuance of this permit, you may submit a letter to the P-17 Department, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711. Unless the Railroad Commission receives a protest to this application, the Commission may issue a permit within 21 days following the date of last publication.

Legal and Public Notices

Notice of Application for Commercial
Oil and Gas Waste Disposal Well Permit

Solaris Water Midstream, LLC, 9811 Katy Freeway, Ste. 900, Houston, TX 77024, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation not productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to dispose of oil and gas waste into the Ellenburger Formation, Holt SWD Lease, Well Number 2. The proposed disposal well is located 10.19 miles southwest of Patricia, TX in the Breedlove, South (Spraberry) Field, in Martin County. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 13,415 to 14,500 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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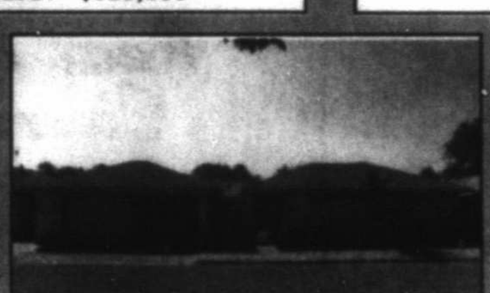

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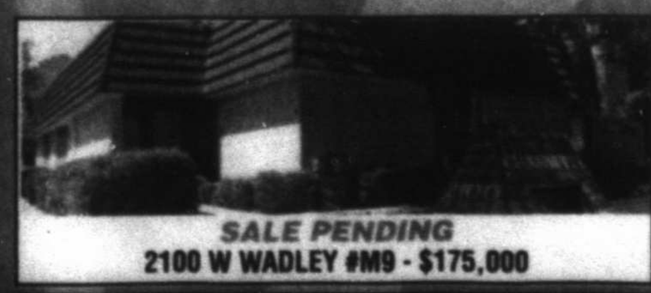

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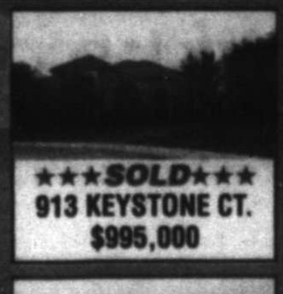

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$995,000

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6704 E. CO. RD. 107
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$390,000

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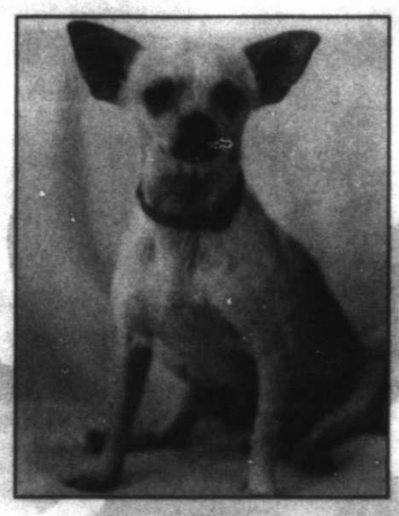

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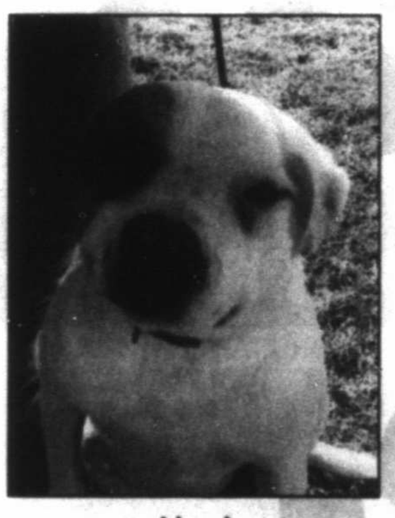

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M - Pug mix
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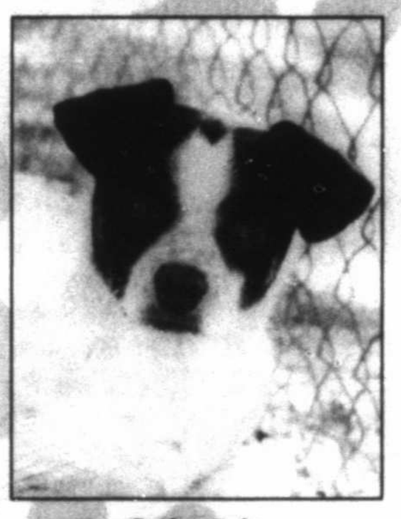

Schmidt
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5y5m

Shin
M - Chihuahua Mix
5y3m

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F - DSH
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M - DSH
4y4m

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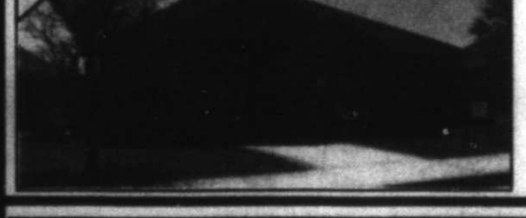

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5517 Camino Real	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
4301 San Pedro Ct	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5309 Balfour Ct	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
7305 E. Co. Rd. 113	Michael Davis Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$543,210
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5309 Dunraven Ct	Ashingdon Homes, 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
7209 E. Co. Rd. 114	Crystal Homes/5 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$649,500
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Co. Rd. 3300	Stanton/31.4 acres	$628,000

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6300 Ojibwa - $495,000

MLS#R50010715A. Spectacular home with 2 huge shops & all the space you need! Sparkling pool! 4 Bedrooms 2.5 Bathrooms with wide open floor plan! Living area offers wood burning fireplace surrounded by white austin rock opens to kitchen & formal dining area! Beautiful granite counter tops with tons of counter space! Breakfast bar! Stunning master with fireplace has wrap around walk in closet & back room that locks!

2828 Durant Dr. - $345,000

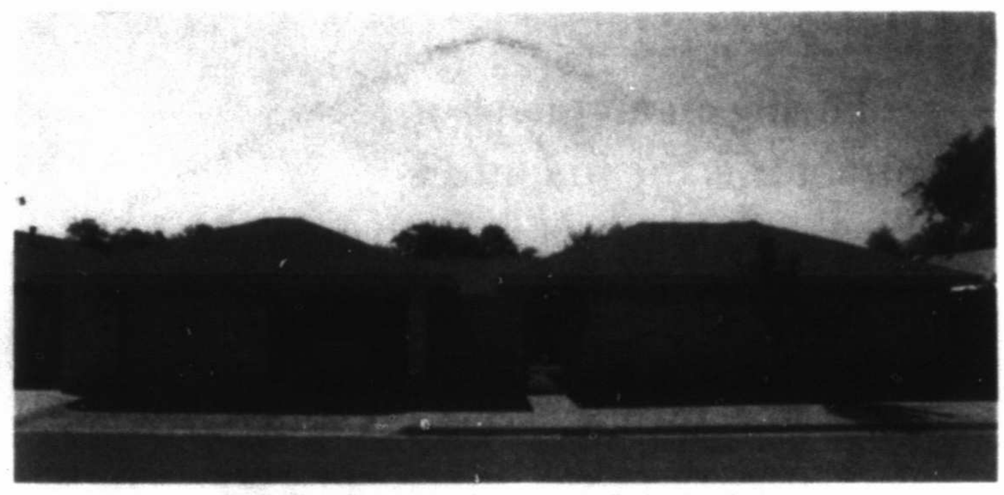
MLS#R50010502A. Spacious 4 bed 2 bath 3 living areas on corner lot! Formal living & formal dining have abundance of sunlight from front windows! Wood burning fireplace in den area! Huge gameroom with beautiful view of backyard! Amazing kitchen has all stainless steel appliances, great breakfast nook & inside utility room! Stunning hard wood flooring throughout! Master has his/her closets & walk in shower!

4701 Frost Pl. - $325,000

MLS#R50010997A. Beautiful 4 bed 3 bath on corner lot! Soaring ceilings through out with recently updated flooring in bedrooms, living area &formal dining! Beautiful wood like tile in living area! Open kitchen offers tons of counter & cabinet space! Sequestered in-law plan off kitchen! Great inside utility room! Huge master suite with double sinks in vanity, walk in shower, soaking tub & amazing walk in closet! Nice bedroom size!

3204 Apperson Dr. - $325,000

MLS#R50011035A. Amazing home loaded with updates! Spacious formal living & formal dining with big windows! Beautiful kitchen has granite counter tops & pretty cabinetry! Casual dining! Spacious family room! Fireplace with gas logs! Gorgeous tile flooring! French doors to covered patio! Lots of natural light through out! Tons of storage! Recent windows! Recent paint inside & out! Nice yards! Quiet cul-de-sac! Move-in ready!



905 Pine Ct. - $300,000

MLS#R50010956A. Great low maintenance 3 bed 2.5 Bath in established neighborhood offers close access to main roads! Spacious living area includes fireplace overlooking open courtyard area! Recent mulch in planter beds in courtyard! So much space through out bedrooms & baths! Master suite offers double sinks in vanity, separate tub/shower with huge walk in closet! Closet space galore throughout! Recent ac, paint in kitchen & flooring!

"Whether you are selling the home where your memories are made or buying the home of your dreams... I look forward to helping you with any of your real estate needs."

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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

OPEN 1:00-2:00
3313 Dentcrest - $250,000
Listed by Stacy Gonzalez

OPEN 1:00-2:30
3611 Princeton - $220,000
3BD/2BA
Listed by Donna Omar

OPEN 1:30-2:30
5721 San Saba Ave. - $345,000
4BD/2.5BA
Listed by DeLaura Gammage
Shown by Mark Phillibar

OPEN 2:00-3:00
2818 Moss - $255,000
3BD/2BA
Listed by Denise Brasher
Shown by Yvonne Gabaldon

OPEN 2:00-4:00
7106 E. Co. Rd. 114 - $574,950
4BD/3BA
Listed & Shown by Sandy J. Hanson

OPEN 2:00-4:00
7110 E. Co. Rd. 114 - $510,000
4BD/2.5BA
Listed & Shown by Sandy J. Hanson

OPEN 3:00-4:00
2609 Frontier Dr. - $270,000
4BD/2BA
Listed & Shown by Darla Davis

OPEN 3:30-4:30
1300 Telluride Dr. - $575,000
4BD/4BA
Listed by DeLaura Gammage
Shown by Mark Phillibar

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HOMEWISE

Real Estate Tips and Advice

Making Smart Hires

You may find the home building process a bit like being a boss.

There are multiple balls to juggle and stringent deadlines to meet. There are various moving parts, contractors to choose and checks to sign.

Building a home also will require the hiring of many people for different jobs. Starting the home building project with smart hires is the only way to go. So how do you make sure this happens? You'll need connections, trust and some luck along the way, but orchestrating an enjoyable building experience is definitely within reach.

Contractors

Hiring an architect or contractor is the first piece of business. Many of them handle the hiring of sub-contractors themselves, so it's important that you trust their judgment of character, integrity and work ethic.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, these are the types of contractors involved in a new home build:

- General contractor, who manages all aspects of a project, including hiring and supervising subcontractors, getting building permits and scheduling inspections.
- Specialty contractor, who installs particular products, such as cabinets and bathroom fixtures. This also can include a pool installer or solar system expert.
- Architect, who designs homes, additions and major renovations — especially ones involving structural changes.
- Designer or design-builder contractor, who provides both services.

Research/Questions

To find the right contractors, why not start with your local network? Ask friends, neighbors or co-workers about local contractors and firms. Check out your local newspaper for ads in the daily section or classifieds section. Put out the question to your social media networks to see who your friends and family endorse.

Look for a currently licensed and established company that is insured appropriately. Ask for references and always ask to review required building permits. Remember that final cost isn't always the most important factor. In the end, you want to be comfortable asking questions and making changes with your contractor. It's important to find a hard worker who also understands your personality and goals.

Find it fast in the Midland Reporter-Telegram

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Diversity and More

In its most recent study, Zillow Group examined the newest generation to enter the housing market – Generation Z. Wait, what? Already? Are they even old enough to enter the housing market? As it turns out, yes, they are. Generation Z is considered to be those born from 1995 to 2010, meaning the oldest in the generation are now 22 years old. The Zillow Group Report on Consumer and Housing Trends 2017 shows this new generation now makes up more than 21% of the U.S. population, and is the most ethnically and racially diverse generation in our history. And they are beginning to enter the housing market as renters.

However, this generation is just as likely as older generations to say owning a home is a key component of the American Dream. In fact, 57% responded that they already considered buying a home while looking for their last rental. "It's encouraging to see that Generation Z is inheriting the same notion of what home means as their parents and Millennial siblings," Zillow Chief Marketing Officer Jeremy Wacksman said. The 2017 Zillow Group Report is the second annual survey of U.S. home buyers, sellers, owners and renters, and asked more than 13,000 U.S. residents aged 18 to 75 about their homes – how they search for them, pay for them, maintain and improve them and what frustrations and aspirations color their decisions.

Source: HousingWire

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Contingency Or Not?

So you receive an offer to buy your home but there is a contingency. What does this mean? A contingency allows the buyer to back out of the contract for a specific reason. A mortgage or financing contingency usually requires the buyers to state the type of mortgage, interest rate and other terms that the buyer is seeking and the amount of time within which to obtain such financing. An inspection contingency gives the buyer the right to have the property inspected within a certain period of time; the purpose being to protect the buyer from any unknown surprises. Other contingencies could include the sale of the buyer's present home, a job acceptance, or attorney approval, etc. As a Seller, probably the best contract you could receive would be cash without any contingencies but that does not always happen. If as a Seller you decide to accept a contingency, remember you can include a kick-out clause and continue to show your home. Should another offer come in on your home, you can go to the first buyer and ask them to remove the contingency, put up more earnest money and if they refuse, you can move on to the new offer.

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Single Family Homes

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OPEN TODAY!
Wonderful New Construction in Greenwood!

OPEN 2:00-4:00

7106 E. CO. RD. 114

New construction at it's finest! Located in the wonderful Chaney Ranch Subdivision this fantastic 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 1 living, 3 garage home has a 30x40 workshop as well, making it a Must See! Iron front door, gorgeous flooring, fabulous floor plan! Master bath has separate vanities as well as a separate tub and shower, plus a great closet! Gourmet kitchen includes tall ceilings, SS appliances, island, pretty granite and great cabinetry! Fenced backyard and a covered patio! All of this...on 1 acre! Come see this Beautifully staged home! $574,950 MLS#50009494

OPEN 2:00-4:00

7110 E. CO. RD. 114

Another fabulous opportunity with KEA Builders in Chaney Ranch Subdivison! 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath new construction with 3 car garage. Light, bright, and open, with so many amenities: hardwood look flooring, wood shutters, gorgeous granites, pretty tiles, and an amazing floorplan! Gourmet kitchen includes tall ceilings, SS appliances, island, pretty granite and great cabinetry! Fenced backyard and covered patio! Come see all this home has to offer on 1 acre! $510,000 MLS#50010571

Directions: East on FM 307, Right on County Road 1120, Left on County road 110. ChaneyRanch Subdivision on the Right.

FEATURED LISTINGS

9708 FM 307	Residential or Commercial Land, Will subdivide into 1 Acre Tracts	MLS #50005743		$860,000
7106 ECR 114	4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 1 living, 3 car garage, New Const., Chaney Ranch	MLS #50009494	NEW PRICE	$574,950
2940 FM 829	Near Stanton, 4 bedrooms, 4 baths, 1 half bath, 2 garage, pool	MLS #50008617	SOLD	$550,000
7110 ECR 114	4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, New Const., Chaney Ranch	MLS #50010571	NEW PRICE	$510,000
4902 N. Midkiff	Gorgeous Commercial Property	MLS #50011741	NEW LISTING	$425,000
2809 Shanks	4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, on 1.25 Acres	MLS #50007396	SOLD	$359,000
2104 Woodlawn Drive	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50011608	UNDER CONTRACT	$330,000
10869 E. Co.Rd. 108	9 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage + shop	MLS#50010772	UNDER CONTRACT	$310,000
4802 Melville	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50011638	UNDER CONTRACT	$249,900
409 Mel Ott	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50010639	NEW LISTING	$294,600
3214 Ranchland Dr.	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50010286	SOLD	$249,900
6101 S. Co. Rd. 1065	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage + carport, 10 acres!	MLS #50011142	UNDER CONTRACT	$249,000
2603 Boeing Dr	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50010224	NEW	$210,500
4309 Trevino Street	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50011433	UNDER CONTRACT	$185,900
5252 Lake Co. Rd. 256	3 Bed, 2 Bath, On Lake Colorado City	MLS #106038	CHANGE	$99,400
11070 Graham Way	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1LA on 1.3 Acres near Lake Ivie	MLS #50006064		$99,000
SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES SECTION III				
6400 WCR 41	Lot 1, Block 6, 3.950 Acres	MLS#50010602		$99,900
6401 WCR 41	Lot 1, Block 8, 3.656 Acres	MLS#50010603		$99,900
6407 WCR 41	Lot 2, Block 6, 3.548 Acres	MLS#50010604		$99,900

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1400 COUNTRY CLUB
$575,000

Clean slate in the middle of North Hill Park. Location beyond belief. Upstairs has 3 bedrooms, 2 baths and a study AND a huge game/kid/whatever room open to the downstairs. Big nice kitchen open to den area. If you are looking for something to decorate and have an absolutely stupendous home in an unbelievable location don't miss this house. Iron doors, fabulous back yard area, Master down.

Shown By Skeet Doss Owner/Broker The Doss Team at Midland 1st Choice 432-352-4826

OPEN TODAY 2:30-3:30PM

1403 PRINCETON AVE.
$505,000

Beautiful 4 bed, 3 bath home. 2 living areas. Stunning wood floors. Cozy stone fireplace in master bedroom. Sparkling pool and gorgeous landscape in the backyard make this home perfect for outdoor entertaining. Pool house/game room has a bathroom, fireplace, and central air and heating.

Shown by Pam Messer 432-349-3075

OPEN TODAY 2:30-3:30PM

2202 PRINCETON AVE.
$349,900

his Beautiful Old Midland Ranch Style Home is full of charm and ready for a new owner! 4 Bedrooms with 2 full baths and lots of living space. The large patio in a huge backyard is perfect for entertaining. Nice big driveway leads to a 2 car carport. Within walking distance to both the Duck Pond and Cowden Park. The HVAC system is only a month old and the windows were replaced in 2015. Call today!

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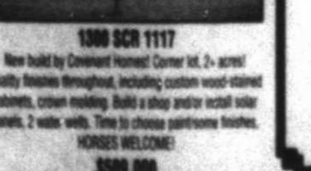

1303 Godfrey St
Move-in ready townhouse w/lots of updates! Granite in kitchen, stainless steel appliances, open floorplan! High ceilings in the living room w/gorgeous fireplace and wet bar. Bedrooms are HUGE - master upstairs. 2nd bedroom downstairs
$229,000

OPEN TODAY 2:00-3:00

333 Rocky Ln
A total remodel! 3 bedroom, 2 bath, new floors, kitchen, bathrooms, added a bonus room/pre! Lovely master suite, new appliances, pergola, large storage! Plenty of room in back for carport, also a large dog house. Move in Ready!
$216,000

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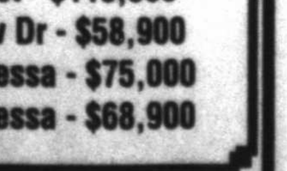

6007 Llano Ct
Pretty curb appeal at this 4 bedroom, 3 bath home with a great size sequestered master! Gourmet kitchen with a large breakfast bar and breakfast area, custom cabinetry, gas cooktop, double oven, granite galore. Fabulous property a 'must see'
$412,500

OPEN TODAY 1:00-2:00

6104 Shea Ln
Super fresh Shea/Charter in Legends Park! Open floor plan, spacious living w/fireplace! Gorgeous granite kitchen w/black appliances! Eating bar/under cabinet lighting, pantry! Sequestered master w/dual closets! Backyard w/ workshop!
$254,000

OPEN TODAY 1:30-2:30

5003 Roca Dr
Beautiful like new and barely one year old home with 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage! Bonus room, lovely upgrades like crown molding, granite tile backsplash & granite counters throughout. Kitchen opens lovely room w/ rock fireplace & large windows.
$282,500

CHARMING!!

3013 Apache Dr
Perfect little DH in Permian Estates! Master & 2nd living have been added on! Sequestered master, tons of storage, large bathroom, cozy kitchen!! Large backyard with 2 storage buildings! STORAGE OR PLAY ROOM! AWESOME BOY!
$119,000

SPECTACULAR!!

7001 Treeline Dr
Stunning! Glamorous master suite w/coffee bar, remote control shades, lived-out master bath, walk-in European glass shower, & huge master closet! Fantastic floor plan w/a game room upstairs & 4 bedrooms. Enclosed back patio w/pool!
$299,900

AWESOME!!

1300 SCR 1117
New build by Covenant Homes! Corner lot, 2+ acres! Quality finishes throughout, including custom wood-stained cabinets, crown molding. Build a shop and/or install solar panels, 2 wells. Time to choose paint/some finishes. HOMES WELCOME!
$599,000

4 Incredible Lots For Sale!
2101 N. H Street - $119,500
6309 Chickasaw Dr - $58,900
3001 Seafin, Odessa - $75,900
3101 Seafin, Odessa - $68,900

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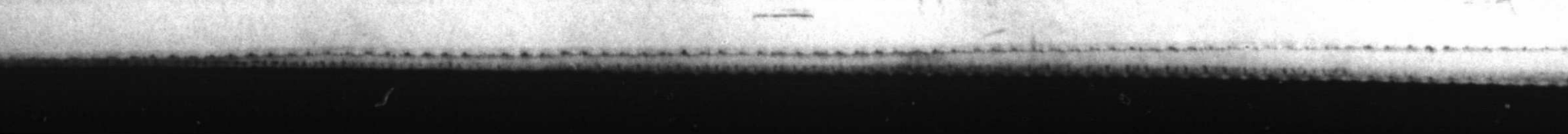

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7209 E. CO. RD. 111, CHANEY RANCH...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... $718,830
7208 E. CO. RD. 112, CHANEY RANCH...Josie Rendon 889-8394...MLS #50009525 ..... $529,142
7201 E. CO. RD. 96, VISTA DEL SOL...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... SALE PENDING
12929 E. NOBLES...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50009419 ..... $155,000
MASTER BUILT HOMES
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KDA BUILDERS, LLC
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7110 E. CO. RD. 114...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50010571 ..... $610,000
3600 CO. RD. 143...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50006892 ..... $420,000
SB HOMES MIDLAND LLC
7400 E. CO. RD. 91...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... $434,000
JC CHAVEZ CONSTRUCTION
1306 E. PENNSYLVANIA AVE...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50010695 ..... $169,000

505 S. WEATHERFORD...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50010696 ..... SALE PENDING
LUPITA HOMES
423 OAK AVE...Yvonne Gabaldon 210-6666 ..... MLS #50010843 ..... $240,000
1101 PENNYSLVANIA AVE...Yvonne Gabaldon 210-6666 ..... MLS #50010702 ..... $225,000
ANGABELLA HOMES, LLC
7307 E. CO. RD. 91...Melody Carroll ..... MLS #50008626 ..... $370,000
JIMENEZ CONSTRUCTION
900 S. BAIRD ST...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50011285 ..... $185,000

FOUR OR MORE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

604 SOLOMON LANE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50009355 ..... $3,250,000
4003 ISLAND DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010385 ..... $950,000
1801 MABERRY ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50011405 ..... $890,000
6507 W. CO. RD. 41...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... SALE PENDING
4206 GREENVILLE...Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50010426 ..... $775,000
4311 E. CO. RD. 60...Tina Atkins 661-0062 ..... MLS #50008316 ..... $710,000
3304 MAMAR CT...Karen Foster ..... MLS #50011311 ..... $639,000
1613 dEABOARD AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50009787 ..... $600,000
4503 GREEN TREE BLVD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50011127 ..... $599,000
1309 TELLURIDE DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50011210 ..... $575,000
4001 FAIRWOOD...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... MLS #107438 ..... $549,900
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5303 DURHAVEN CT...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50011327 ..... $539,900
6300 OJIBWA...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010715 ..... $495,000
3907 ARROYO DR...Reannah Glover ..... MLS #50010592 ..... $489,900
5108 WIDENER STRIP...Danny Norwood ..... MLS #50004532 ..... $489,900
4117 FOX HOLLOW...Donna Omar 349-1458 ..... $475,000
5707 CROWLEY...Stephanie Rogers 432-978-9757 ..... MLS #50009500 ..... $459,900
5804 LINCOLN GREEN CT...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50006934 ..... SALE PENDING
2112 EVANS LN...Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... $435,000
5905 CRISTA LANE...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50010658 ..... $418,000
3202 SEABOARD...Larry Hatfield $389,900
6015 GLADIOLA AVE...Tracy Farrow 413-4412... MLS #50007487 ..... SALE PENDING

5208 MATHIS...Martha Manulik ..... SALE PENDING
4309 CORONADO CT...Melody Carroll 325-330-1182 ..... MLS #50006658 ..... $370,000
3124 PATRICK...Wendy Waddell 638-9955 ..... MLS #50002486 ..... $368,500
1322 TERRA CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010981 ..... $365,000
4105 CRESTRIDGE DR...Leah Watkins $359,500
5620 GRASSLAND...Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50011236 ..... SALE PENDING
2828 DURANT DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010500 ..... $345,000
6721 SAN SABA AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50011516 ..... $345,000
3900 WESTMINSTER DR...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50011849 ..... $334,500
5701 CARMEL CT...Tina Atkins 661-0062 ..... MLS #50008581 ..... SALE PENDING
5200 GREATHOUSE AVE...Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50009347 ..... SALE PENDING
1509 SAN FRANCISCO...Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 ..... MLS #50009081 ..... $333,900
5615 CROWLEY BLVD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010915 ..... $329,000
5707 LLANO CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50011636 ..... $325,000
4701 FROST PL...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010997 ..... $325,000
5805 PEDERNALES...Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50011658 ..... $319,000
1311 CERRILLOS...Leah Watkins ..... MLS #50010457 ..... $314,000
6702 VANGUARD...Donna Omar $305,000
3602 OAKRIDGE...Kim Merrill ..... MLS #50008982 ..... SALE PENDING
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4506-10 FAIRGATE DR.-DUPLEX...Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50006199 ..... $299,900
3283 DURANT DR...Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50008947 ..... $299,900
0110 CRYSTAL SKY LN...Leah Watkins ..... MLS #50006820 ..... $295,000

6210 SPAHN ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... $285,000
2800 DURANT...Pam Dodd $280,000
410 MARINOR COURT...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ..... MLS #50006418 ..... $278,500
2742 FAIR OAKS CIRCLE...Darla Davis 260-8077 ..... MLS #105632 ..... $275,000
509 O'JOURKE...Tina Atkins 661-0062 ..... SALE PENDING
3002 NORTHTOWN...Leah Watkins ..... MLS #50005784 ..... $275,000
2609 FRONTIER DR...Darla Davis ..... MLS #50011734 ..... $270,000
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3018 STOREY AVE...Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50011093 ..... $249,000
3217 SINCLAIR...Donna Omar ..... MLS #50007298 ..... $235,000
4516 GLENEAGLES DR...Kim Merrill ..... MLS #50010927 ..... $235,000
1917 HUNTINGTON...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... MLS #50003883 ..... $230,000
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604 W. KANSAS AVE...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ..... MLS #108203 ..... $199,900
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5124 STOREY AVE...Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50011557 ..... $195,000
3903 MONTY...Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50010982 ..... SALE PENDING
601 BECKLEY...Josie Alvarez 618-5013 ..... $149,000
4400 A THOMASON...Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50010957 ..... $109,900
3508 S. CO. RD. 1223 1/2...Kim Merrill ..... MLS #50005825 ..... $92,000

THREE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

3701 CARDINAL LN...Pam Dodd $859,000
2101 DEEANNA...Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50011216 ..... $699,000
2711 MARIE DR...Brittany Boyd $549,000
5517 CASA GRANDE TRAIL...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50011517 ..... SALE PENDING
1804 NORTH H...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... MLS #50008505 ..... $369,900
6404 DRIFTWOOD...Amanda Gunter 413-7330 ..... MLS #50009958 ..... $360,000
4911 WOODHOLLOW DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50011398 ..... $330,000
2104 WOODLAWN DR...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50011608 ..... SALE PENDING
1802 W. OHIO AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50011310 ..... SALE PENDING
4700 ROSEWOOD...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50009562 ..... SALE PENDING
3204 APPERSON DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50008513 ..... $325,000
4309 TUMBLEWEED...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50009463 ..... $318,900
4108 CYNTHIA DR...Lisa Russell $310,000
2406 W. DENGAR AVE...Kim Merrill ..... MLS #50008815 ..... $305,000
905 PINE CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010956 ..... $300,000
3102 PRINCETON...Leah Watkins ..... MLS #50010427 ..... $299,500
4700 BISHOPS CASTLE...Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50009643 ..... $297,000
5406 SAN SABA CT...Gina Reyes ..... MLS #50008830 ..... $295,000
409 MEL OTT...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50010639 ..... $294,600
4805 SPRING MEADOW LANE. #5...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... SALE PENDING
5406 CROWLEY BLVD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50011208 ..... SALE PENDING
2821 MOSS AVE...Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50009731 ..... $279,900
6409 SHAWNEE...Yvonne Gabaldon 210-6666 ..... MLS #50010926 ..... SALE PENDING
2905 SKYLINE...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ..... $279,000
1611 HARVARD...Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50010461 ..... SALE PENDING
2410 NORTHTOWN CT...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50010363 ..... $273,000
2905 DOUGLAS...Karen Foster ..... SALE PENDING
414 W. SPRUCE...Susan Palmer $260,000
6001 MEDINA DR...Leah Watkins 559-2187 ..... SALE PENDING
6969 KING RANCH RD...Pam Dodd $200,000

1200 PRAIRIE LANE...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #1000034433 ..... $255,000
3313 DENTCREST DR...Stacy Gonzalez ..... MLS #50011594 ..... $250,000
5306 CANADIAN...Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... SALE PENDING
1216 CONQUISTADOR CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50011091 ..... SALE PENDING
6969 KING RANCH RD...Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... $250,000
3009 GODDARD...Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50009678 ..... $250,000
4802 MELVILLE...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50011638 ..... $249,900
1608 VENTURA...Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50413390 ..... SALE PENDING
4606 BISHOPS CASTLE DR...Cheryl Parrish 352-3053 ..... MLS #50003188 ..... $249,900
3501 CLAREMONT DR...Darla Davis 260-8077 ..... MLS #50001061 ..... $249,000
3305 EDGEMONT DR...Leah Watkins $239,000
513 COLISEUM CT...Tina Atkins 661-0062 ..... MLS #50009916 ..... SALE PENDING
5218 CANADIAN...Donna Omar ..... MLS #50003775 ..... $235,000
2001 DOUGLAS...Pam Dodd ..... SALE PENDING
4512 SPENCE...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ..... MLS #50010692 ..... $234,900
1003 NEELY AVE...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ..... MLS #50004091 ..... $232,500
604 S. JACKSON...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50007040 ..... $230,000
2413 NEELY AvE...Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50011447 ..... SALE PENDING
1109 MILLTOWN RD...Darla Davis 260-8077 ..... MLS #50008001 ..... $225,900
2412 EMERSON CT...Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50009158 ..... $229,900
409 CRENSHAW DR...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #50004711 ..... $225,000
2202 N. D ST...Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50011463 ..... $225,000
3801 STANDLIND...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... $225,000
3405 BOYD AVE...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50007035 ..... $225,000
3604 SINCLAIR...Darla Davis 260-8077 ..... MLS #50009605 ..... $224,900
908 SHEA LN...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50003252 ..... $223,000
3611 PRINCETON...Donna Omar $220,000
3203 W. SHANDON...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ..... MLS #50001315 ..... $215,000
3605 JORDAN AVE...Skye Farris $213,000

2603 BOEING DR...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50010224 ..... $210,500
3104 DOUGLAS DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50011368 ..... $200,000
506 WAVERLY DR...Skye Farris ..... MLS #50006416 ..... $200,000
2506 HOYA DR...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #50002192 ..... $195,000
1102 E. CUTHBERT AVE...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50010214 ..... SALE PENDING
307 S. ESINHOWER...Wendy Waddell $167,000
720 SHELL AV...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50011599 ..... SALE PENDING
4309 TREVINO ST...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50011433 ..... SALE PENDING
3905 MONTY...Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50010983 ..... SALE PENDING
4405 PARKDALE DR...Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50009781 ..... $179,900
3407 W. STOREY...Mark Philliber ..... MLS #50010929 ..... $179,000
4323 PRINCETON AVE...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50011266 ..... $175,000
4315 ERIE...Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50011231 ..... $174,900
4007 STOREY AVE...Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50011094 ..... SALE PENDING
3230 WHITTLE WAY...Leah Watkins 559-2187 ..... $160,000
305 S. DALLAS ST...Darla Davis ..... MLS #50002162 ..... $167,000
3621 W. MICHIGAN...Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50011506 ..... $167,000
5206 SUNNYSIDE DR...Martha Manulik ..... MLS #50004108 ..... $165,000
4700 CUTHBERT AVE...Melody Carroll ..... MLS #50011040 ..... $160,000
5204 SAN ANTONIO...Danny Norwood ..... MLS #50004827 ..... $160,000
3105 DELANO AVE...Wendy Waddell 638-9955 ..... MLS #50006353 ..... $159,000
4702 COMANCHE...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50006821 ..... $149,000
3500 ROOSEVELT...Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50011617 ..... SALE PENDING
3008 W. OHIO...Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 ..... MLS #50011286 ..... $135,000
610 W. KANSAS...Reece Bivens 230-8647 ..... MLS #50008662 ..... $135,000
1009 MOGFORD...Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50009370 ..... $134,900
1510 E. SCHARBAUER DR...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ..... MLS #50004057 ..... $128,000
4405 PARKDALE...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... $124,900
4613 CHEROKEE DR...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50011055 ..... SALE PENDING

ONE/TWO BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

2505 CASTLEFORD RD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010947 ..... $240,000
4291 CRESTWOOD...Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50011736 ..... $189,000

4724-B HARVARD AVE...Stephanie Masterson 556-1564 ..... $150,000
4706 HARVARD...Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50011259 ..... $124,900

3330 CALDERA #146...Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50006509 ..... $110,000

HOMES IN MIDLAND COUNTY

4409 E. CO. RD. 63...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... MLS #108422 ..... $999,000
6700 W. CO. RD. 44...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010101 ..... $900,000
6507 W. CO. RD. 41...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50010824 ..... SALE PENDING
5203 S. CO. RD. 1065...Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50009655 ..... $800,000
7213 E. CO. RD. 114...GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633... MLS #50009497 ..... $638,000
7008 E. CO. RD. 108...GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 MLS #50007715 ..... $625,000
4309 S. CO. RD. 1131...GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 MLS #50009910...8 Acres/$599,000
7106 E. CO. RD. 114...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50009494 ..... $574,950
7110 E. CO. RD. 114...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50010571 ..... $510,000
3009 S. CO. RD. 1057...GREENWOOD...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #50011257 ..... $489,000

12107 W. CO. RD. 52...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ..... MLS #108236 ..... $484,900
2411 S. CO. RD. 1119...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50011088 ..... $411,900
11791 W. CO. RD. 52-Denise Brasher ..... MLS #50010752 ..... 2 93 Acres w/Shop $370,000
10909 E. CO. RD. 108...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50010772 ..... SALE PENDING
2205 E. CO. RD. 140...Donna Omar $310,000
1508 S. CO. RD. 1110, GREENWOOD...Darla Davis ..... MLS #50011618 ..... $310,000
1902 E. CO. RD. 120...Andrea Snell 559-4417 ..... MLS #50008114 ..... $309,900
3700 W. CO. RD. 145...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... $309,900
3700 W. CO. RD. 145...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50008046 10 Acres/$305,000
7300 E. CO. RD. 91...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... SALE PENDING

10909 E. CO. RD. 106...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ..... MLS #108961...0.91 Acres/$295,000
9183 W. CO. RD. 180...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ..... MLS #50001570 ..... $295,000
4610 N. CO. RD. 1278...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #50008485 ..... $249,500
6101 S. CO. RD. 1065...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50011142 ..... SALE PENDING
4607 S. CO. RD. 1177...Darla Davis 260-8077 ..... MLS #50005740 ..... $249,000
6109 E. CO. RD. 90...Tracy Farrow 413-441 ..... MLS #50011504 ..... SALE PENDING
10601 E. CO. RD. 104, GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... SALE PENDING
4610 N. CO. RD. 1278...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #50008450 ..... SALE PENDING
7686 E. CO. RD. 60...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50011838 ..... $194,900
4403 N. CO. RD. 1130...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... SALE PENDING

HOMES OUTSIDE OF MIDLAND COUNTY

14800 SBS N., BROWNWOOD, TX...Donna Omar 349-1458 ..... MLS #50008668 ..... $996,500
CO. RD. 248A, COMANCHE TX...Melody Carroll ..... MLS #50011044 ..... 196.301 Acres/$750,000
401 4TH ST., STANTON, TX...Lisa Russell ..... MLS #50004541
14 SUSSEX DR., ODESSA...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #105380 ..... $340,000
3016 SAN PEDRO, ODESSA...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50005362 ..... $315,000
COLORADO CITY...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50006943 10 Acres/$300,000
3039 CO. RD. 310, LAKE BREKENRIDGE...Josie Alvarez $275,000
6969 KING RANCH RD., ODESSA...Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... $260,000

4610 N. CO. RD. 1278...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #50008485 ..... $240,500
6955 XIT, ODESSA...Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... SALE PENDING
6203 SCR 1185...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #50008719 ..... $210,000
6725 CORNELL AVE., ODESSA...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #102876 ..... $204,000
1100 E. 44TH, ODESSA...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #50007312 ..... $200,000
2201 S. 3RD, LAMESA...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ..... MLS #50008073 ..... $199,900
409 OLD COURSE RD...Amanda Gunter ..... MLS #104104 ..... $195,000
409 E. 98TH STREET, ODESSA...Amanda Gunter 413-7330 ..... $189,900

14241 LOYOLA, GARDENDALE...Leah Watkins ..... MLS #50002358 ..... $180,000
9421 LAMAR AVE., ODESSA...Darla Davis ..... MLS #105231 ..... $175,000
812 CORONADO...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #100010 ..... $160,000
10975 E. EMERSON ST., GARDENDALE...Leah Watkins 599-2187 MLS #50004438 ..... $133,000
5252 LAKE CO. RD. 256...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #106038 ..... $99,400
11978 GRAHAM WAY...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50006084 ..... $89,000
308 N. AVENUE G, LAMESA...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50007972 ..... SALE PENDING

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

0 LOOP 250...Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50010731 ..... $1,717,500
4209 S. CO. RD. 1131, GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 MLS #50009725&43 Acres/$1,375,000
9788 FM 307...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50005743 ..... $860,000
9904 N. CO. RD. 1150...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50011407 ..... $800,000

4902 N. MIDKIFF...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50011741 ..... $425,000
1201 N. CO. RD. 1151...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50010162 ..... SALE PENDING
206 S. COLLEGE, STANTON...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50007763 ..... $389,000

1913 MCCALL, ODESSA...Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50010655 ..... $290,900
401 MIDLAND DR...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ..... MLS #103887 ..... $80,000
1200 STOKES...Susan Palmer ..... SALE PENDING

LAND AND LOTS

7653 CO. RD. 1262...Yvonne Gabaldon 210-6666 ..... MLS #50010657 ..... SALE PENDING
3302 S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 MLS #50001943 ..... 89 Acres/$1,543,955
3708 FM 307...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50005743 ..... $860,000
3701 CARDINAL LN...Pam Dodd $850,000
N. CO. RD. 1250...Reannah Glover ..... MLS #107925 ..... 70.5 Acres/$483,500
1200 STOKES...Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50007917 ..... SALE PENDING
CO. RD. 1130...Mark Phillibe 222-5071 ..... MLS #50007560 ..... 29 Acres/$250,000
4110 E. CO. RD. 130...Kim Merrill ..... MLS #50011627 ..... 10 Acres/$200,000
2900 S. CO. RD. 1200...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ..... MLS #50001167 ..... 2 Acres

CO. RD. 60 W. AND 1283...Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 ..... MLS #50007449 ..... 3 Acres/$150,000
MARTIN CO...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50007174 ..... 10 Acres/$125,000
6400 W. CO. RD. 41, LOT 1, BLOCK 6...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 MLS #50010602 ..... 3.950 Acres/$99,900
6401 W. CO. RD. 41, LOT 1, BLOCK 8...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 MLS #50010603 ..... 3.658 Acre. $99,900
6407 W. CO. RD. 41, LOT 2, BLOCK 8...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 MLS #50010604 ..... 3.548 Acres/$99,900
QUAIL RIDGE SUBDIVISION...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... 64 Lots Available/Starting At $43,500
3368 SENNA LANCE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... $34,560
3372 SENNA LANCE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... $32,000
3373 SENNA LANCE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... $30,400

2994 FOXGLOVE ST., GRADY ISD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... $29,504
3377 SENNA LANCE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... $28,480
3376 SENNA LANCE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... $28,288
293 N. CARVER...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #50007179 ..... $28,000
3367 SENNA LANE, GRADY ISD...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ..... $29,240
1200 E. HICKORY...Karen Foster 559-4086 ..... Lot/$18,900
1205 E. HICKORY...Karen Foster 559-4086 ..... Lot/$11,500
1207 E. HICKORY...Karen Foster 559-4086 ..... Lot/$11,500

TOWNHOMES-PATIO HOMES

905 PINE CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010956 ..... $300,000
4420 LANHAM ST...Denise Brasher ..... MLS #50011413 ..... SALE PENDING
2818 MOSS AVE...Denise Brasher ..... MLS #50011498 ..... $255,000
4805 SPRING MEADOW LANE. #5...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... SALE PENDING
3010 MOSS...Karen Mason ..... MLS #50007761 ..... $229,900
1005 VENTURA...Kim Merrill ..... MLS #50009828 ..... $229,900
4516 FAIRGATE DR...Gina Reyes ..... MLS #50009741 ..... SALE PENDING
3102 TEALWOOD...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... MLS #50007620 ..... $191,900
2100 W. WADLEY #M9...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50009623 ..... SALE PENDING

4508 LANHAM...Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50010853 ..... SALE PENDING
2415 IDLEWILDE, UNIT 13...Wendy Waddell 638-9955 ..... MLS #50007200 ..... $125,000
4706 HARVARD...Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50011259 ..... $124,900
4406-A THOMASON...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ..... MLS #50010957 ..... $109,900
600 LIDDON AVE. #49...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010922 ..... $80,000
4700 BOULDER DR. #407...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010842 ..... $85,000

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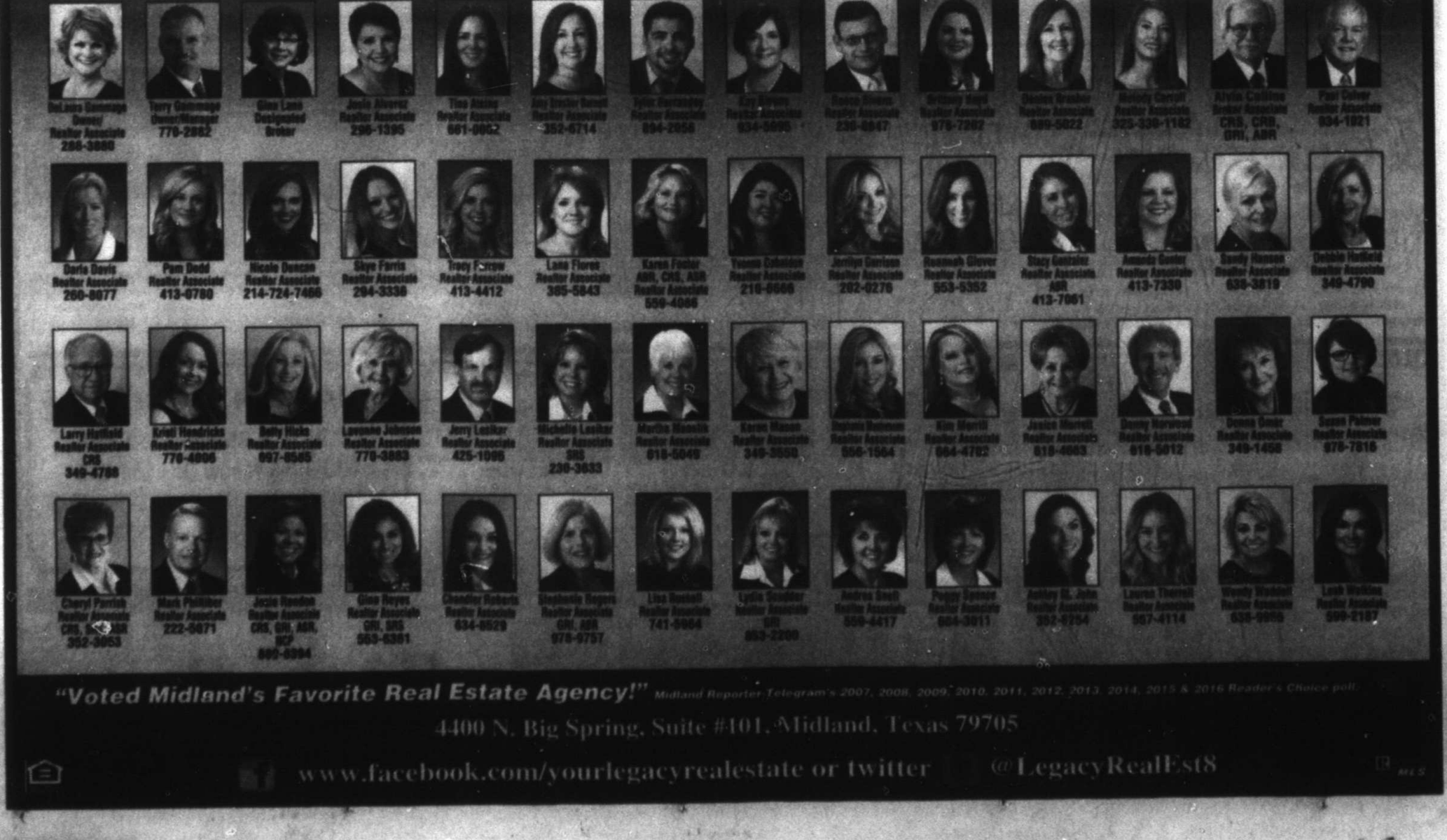

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CULTURE

Ghosts live on in Galveston legend

By Amelia Rayno
Star Tribune (Minneapolis)

The evening began innocently enough.

After arriving in Galveston, my travel companion and I were sipping gin gimlets at dusk inside the Hotel Galvez, a turn-of-the-century beauty built on the Gulf of Mexico's edge.

The grand hall — the pinnacle of the island city's glamorous old architecture — buzzed with imbibers clinking glasses, chattering among tall limestone columns, arched windows and intricate, tiled floors.

A stop in Galveston seemed the perfect finale to our week-slong road trip across Texas.

But our weekend took a surprising turn when I left the table in search of a restroom.

I descended a stairwell, entered a dimly lit corridor and was met by one of the eeriest feelings of my life. I felt followed — then surrounded.

Sure someone was on my heels, I whirled around, fists clenched, only to stare into thin air.

The feeling chased me until I returned to the grand hall, hurriedly. That's when I remembered "Ghosts of Galveston," a book I had eyed in a boutique earlier in the day.

"Are there really ghosts in this town?" I asked our waitress.

She lifted an eyebrow.

"Oh, yes," she replied. "Everywhere."

What followed, over icy libations, was a tidal wave of spookiness: She told tales of glasses spontaneously broken, toilet paper rolls spinning uncontrollably and faces in the corners of empty rooms.

This 19,000-square-foot mansion was sturdy enough to withstand the horrific 1900 storm that killed thousands in Galveston.

Hotel Galvez debuted in 1911 as the town was being rebuilt from the devastating 1900 hurricane that killed thousands. A candy and toy store that once sat on the Galvez site was destroyed. In the basement, near the restroom, our waitress told us, hotel guests and workers have often heard kids playing ball and laughing — or felt the curious young spirits trailing them.

I gulped. But there was more.

In the 1950s, a hotel guest hanged herself in her room after believing her lover had been lost at sea. Tragically, two days later, he returned.

Then there were the photos on the waitress' phone. A face pressed against a shower curtain. A man in the mirror. A shadowy figure, captured by a 9-year-old child.

"Well," I said, "I'm glad we're not staying here."

Back at our hotel, the Tremont House — another historic relic — we grabbed water to take upstairs and told the lobby bartender of our enlightenment about the Hotel Galvez, Tremont's sister hotel, being severely haunted.

"Well, yeah," she said blankly. "The whole town is."

"But not here, right?" I offered.

"Yes," she said. "Here, too."

She explained, to our dread. Unlike the Hotel Galvez, Tremont House isn't known as a haunted destination, but three ghosts allegedly wander the premises regularly, including a former Civil War soldier who supposedly drank himself to death and a little boy named Jimmy, who was killed by a car

Please see GHOSTS/6E

Big Sister, Little Sister reunite after 30 years

By Kay Crites
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Midland

Thirty years vanished into thin air Oct. 28 when former Big Sister Sandi Parrish and Little Sister Alicia Lowrance reconnected in Midland for the first time since the late 1980s.

"I'm a little overwhelmed, but I'm just so excited to be reconnected," said Lowrance, while Parrish excitedly exclaimed, "This is my Little Sister… although she's not so little anymore."

Learn more

For information about enrolling a child or volunteering as a mentor for Big Brothers Big Sisters, visit bbbsmidland.org

Parrish — then Sandi Davis — was a 23-year-old newlywed in the early 1980s when her husband suggested she check out volunteering for Big Brothers Big Sisters.

"I had no idea there was such need," she said. "I was matched immediately, although we had to wait just a bit before we could get together because they wanted to get all four of the older girls matched before they let us get together."

Lowrance was 10 at the time and part of a single-parent family of five sisters — including two sets of twins. Lowrance has a twin sister, Amy; the other twins are Samantha and Stephanie. Sarah, the youngest, was too young to be in the program.

Parrish and Lowrance were matched for about three years, until Lowrance's mother remarried. They stayed in touch until Parrish moved to Dallas, and Lowrance's family moved to Colorado in 1989.

"Losing her left a hole," said Parrish. "We had built such a strong bond, but life challenges got in the way. We've both had ups and downs in our lives. I went through a divorce, and she's had challenges as well. I kept worrying about what was happening with Alicia, but this was before Facebook. It was much more difficult to find people."

In the meantime, Lowrance was also thinking about Parrish.

"I couldn't find her. I tried in 2006, when I first started getting on Facebook. I was so depressed that I couldn't find her," she said.

Lowrance wasn't aware that the Big Sister she had known as Sandi Davis had gotten a divorce and changed her name.

Parrish also used Facebook to try and locate Lowrance.

"I finally found Sarah, the youngest sister because she had Lowrance as her middle name. She didn't know me but vaguely remembered my name. She said she remembered her sisters always talking about their Big Sisters. I asked her if Alicia and Amy were on Facebook, and she said, 'Yes,' and gave me the link."

A week went by before they managed to connect.

"It was like almost no time had passed," said Parrish.

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OUT&ABOUT

WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT DINNER

Amy McCracken, from left, Selena Reeve, Desiree Terry, Marnee Lane, Lesley Donnell and Laura Smith

WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT DINNER

Abby Moreau, front row from left, Alisa Moreau Vanessa Moreau and Isabelle Moreau; and Tammy Brewer, back row left, and Steve Montfort

To have an event included in "Out and About," contact Julie Donnelly at mrtjulie @outlook.com.

BPW HONORS VICTORIA PRINTZ

The Uptown Midland Business and Professional Women honored Victoria Printz as the 2017 Woman of Achievement award recipient. She was presented the award at the annual National Business Women's Week Dinner, which was Oct. 9 at the Petroleum Club.

The event got underway after Morgan Gandy gave the invocation. BPW President Annette Dozier talked about the organization's mission, and Sharla Hotchkiss, a former Woman of Achievement recipient, proclaimed the day "Victoria Printz Day." After an introduction by Judge Robin Darr, Printz talked about her mission of empowering other women by connecting with them and serving alongside them.

Another highlight of the evening was the announcement of the BPW Woman of the Year: Lesley Donnell. Stacy Nelson, the Woman of the Year committee chairman, called Donnell a "Perfect 10" in all she does for the organization.

WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT DINNER

Lynn James, from left, Darryl James, Victoria Printz and Bob Bintliff

WOMAN OF ACHIEVEMENT DINNER

Sharla Hotchkiss, from left, Judy Jones, Carol Earl and Cookie Wetendorf

HOUSE WARMING

Jackie Ward, second from left, with Midland Quilters Guild, presents a handmade quilt to Stacy Evans and her sons, Marlon and Jeremiah, at the dedication of the family's Habitat for Humanity home. Alynda Best, executive director of Habit for Humanity is far left. Evans' home is the 147th built for Habitat for Humanity in Midland and was completed as a memorial to Clark Moreland by his family.
Courtesy photo

BRIDGERESULTS

PERMIAN BRIDGE CLUB

OCT. 21
Bhupen Agrawal, Jeanette Darrough, Paula Bayley, Pat Lawrence, John Foster, Darlynna Rush, Em Carnett

OCT. 30
Ann Servatius-Charlie Grimes, Sonya Hopkins-Belle Harris, Kay Sewell-Greg Keys, Linda Buzan-Dorothy Brenneman, Lonnie Yee-Linda Scarpelli, Terri Melton-Linda McDonald

OCT. 31
Flo Curry-Marlene Blumentritt, James Hawkins-Bob Bacon, Brenda Brauner-Marilyn Higgins, Ann Parish-Buzan, Janet Stoltz-Kay Arrell, Audie Brooks-Bill Brooks

Nov.1
Paula Baggett-Brenneman, Grimes-Servatius-Buzan-Betty Moore, Marty Massie-Higgins, Yee-B. Brooks

Nov. 2
Brenneman-Baggett, Servatius-Buzan, Georgia Temple-Higgins, Mary Tift-Dorothy Blair, Debbie Conner-Sandy Hill, Mike Schlueter-Moore
Grimes-Scarpelli, A. Brooks-B. Brooks, Greg Keys-David Hudson, Sarana Savage-Sewell
Baggett-Brenneman, Grimes-Scarpelli, Buzan-Servatius, Temple-Higgins, A. Brooks-B. Brooks, Keys-Hudson, Tift-Blair, Conner-Hill, Savage-Sewell, Moore-Schlueter

Nov. 3
Betty Dickerson-K.C. Evans, Arrell-Stoltz, Buzan-Moore, Bacon-B. Brooks, Sue Marshall-Sally Reeder, Bonnie Hubbard-Ricki Perry

Nov. 5
Curry-Evans, Bacon-B. Brooks, Grimes-Servatius, Deborah Brookins-Marilyn Matthews, Don Troy-Sewell

GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

Good inference

Both vulnerable, South deals

NORTH
♠5
9654
A973
♣AQJ10

WEST
♠KQJ108
10
KJ1064
♣63

EAST
♠9643
KQ8
52
♣9854

SOUTH
♠A72
AJ732
Q8
♣K72

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1	2 *	3♣**	Pass
4♣	Pass	4	Pass
4	All pass		

*Spades and a minor, at least 5-5
**Splinter bid, short spades with at least four hearts

Opening lead: King of ♣

Today's deal is from a National pairs competition some years ago. South was Steve Sanborn, an expert who splits his time between New York and Florida. Sanborn appreciated the potential of his hand after the splinter bid, but neither player had enough to move beyond four hearts. Few pairs would reach slam on this deal, and they might fail, so Sanborn would get an excellent score if he could take 12 tricks.

Sanborn won the opening spade lead with the ace and ruffed a spade in dummy. Should the trumps split 2-2, 12 tricks would be easy. West was known to have 10 cards in his two suits, so the trumps were quite likely to be splitting 3-1. A low trump from dummy would see East play the eight. The three missing hearts were the king, queen, and 10. West was twice as likely to have a singleton king or queen as opposed to the singleton 10. The winning play would then be the ace, telling the singleton honor, another spade ruff in dummy and a lead toward the jack of hearts would get 12 tricks.

Sanborn didn't lead a low trump from dummy, but chose the nine instead. When East followed smoothly with the eight, Sanborn reasoned that he would have covered the nine if he held both the 10 and eight, so he inserted his jack and romped home with 12 tricks and a great score.

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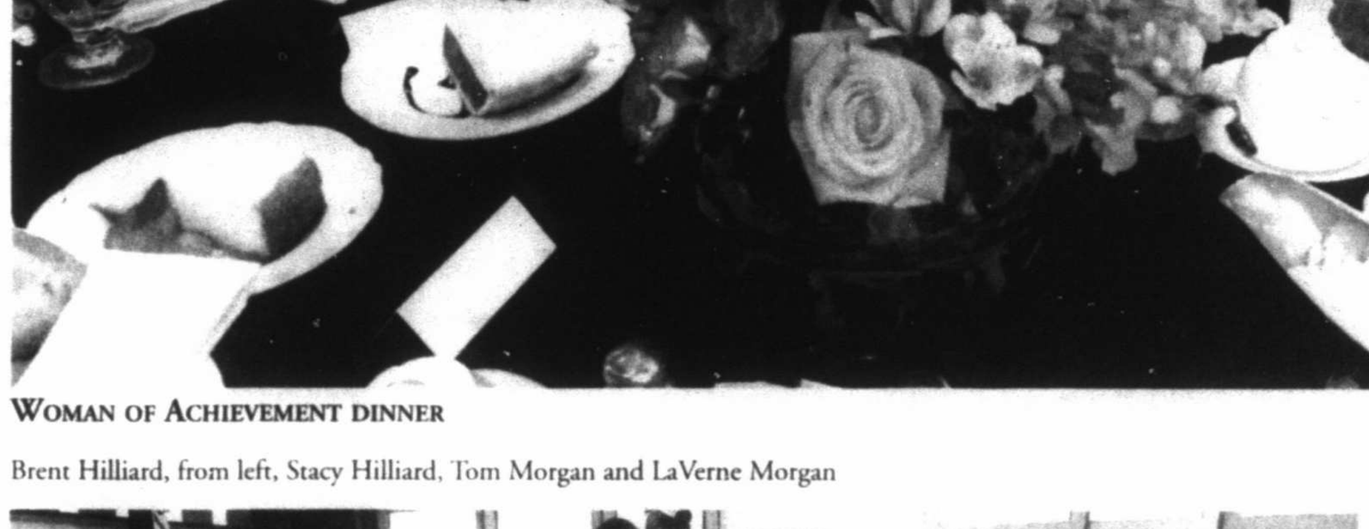

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Brenda Williams, from left, Dennis Williams, Misty Williams and Dennis Williams Jr.

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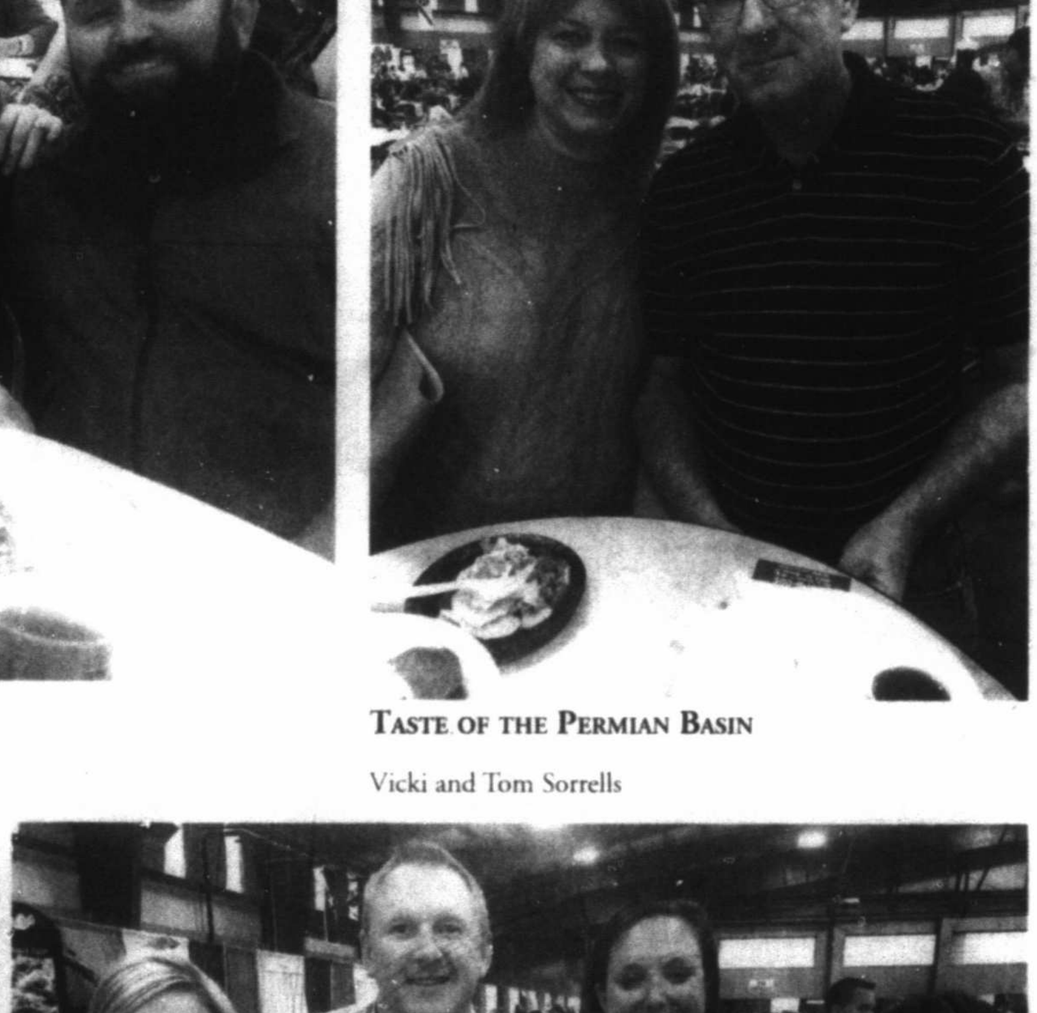

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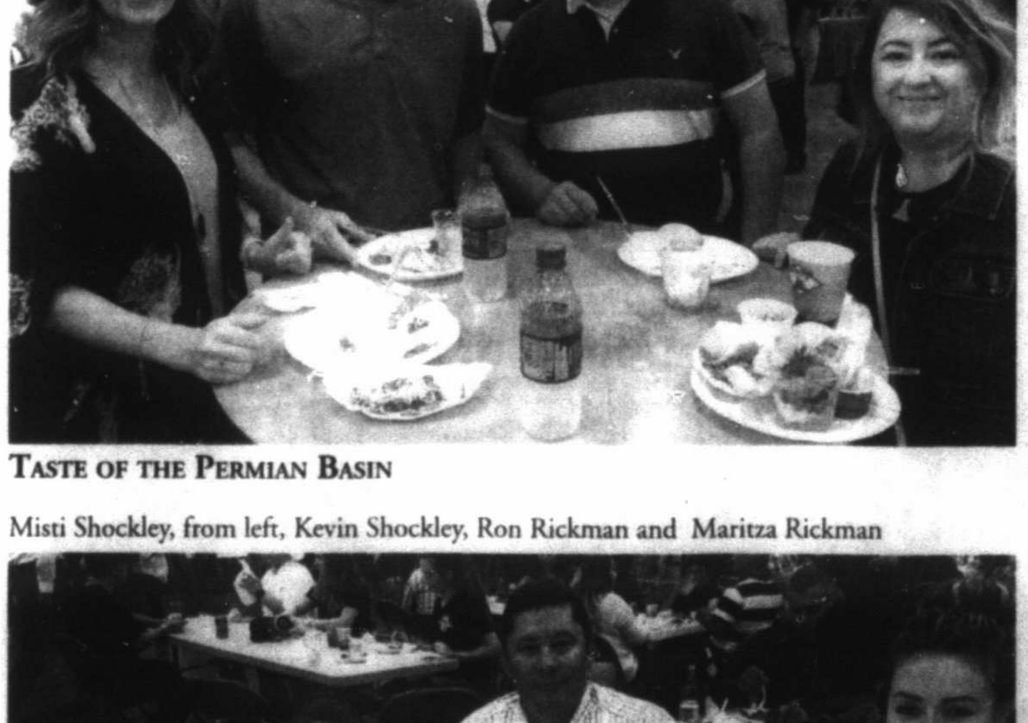

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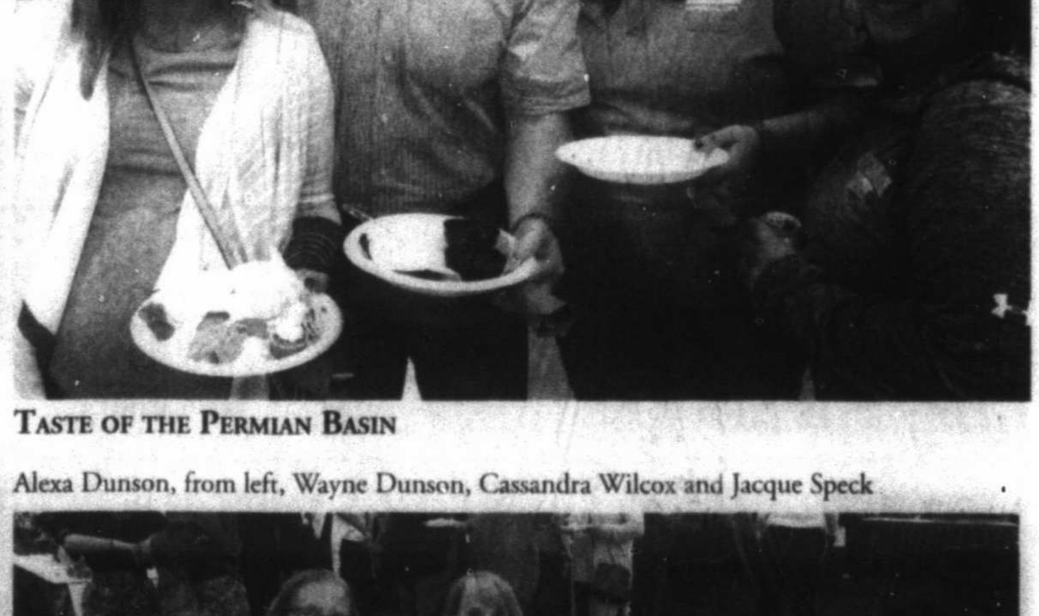

TASTE OF THE PERMIAN BASIN

Aly Dial, from left, Julie Dial, Daphne Gee and Angie Mira

RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION HOSTS TASTE OF THE PERMIAN BASIN

I was told, "Oh, wow, you have to try this," several times as people pointed to their plate of food at the 34th annual Taste of the Permian Basin.

Close to 40 local food and drink vendors were at the Commemorative Air Force hangar on Oct. 19 to showcase select items from their menu to the hundreds of people in attendance.

Guests went from restaurant station to restaurant station filling their plates — from barbecue to sushi to chicken fajitas and rice.

A silent auction — which included a pink Yeti cooler, restaurant-gift-card bundling packets, wine baskets, and catering dinner options — was part of the event that is hosted by the Permian Basin Restaurant Association. Taste of the Permian Basin benefits local high schools with scholarships, hospitality training and culinary equipment.

Old-fashioned cosmos are breathtaking along highways

The Georgia Department of Transportation is teaching all of us about an old floral favorite that needs to be brought back to the garden, the cosmos. I see them along Interstate 16 starting around mile marker 98 going north and the nature scape, if you will, is amazing.

What is even more exciting is that the future of these types of floral plantings is bright. GDOT is revved up on planting pollinators along the highway system, and this should have everyone doing the happy dance.

Oddly this is coinciding with the best butterfly year I have ever seen at the Coastal Georgia Botanical Gardens in Savannah. Here we are in early November the butterflies are uncountable, and bees are everywhere.

But let's digress back to the cosmos. Should you somehow be thinking I am referring to the orange cosmos, I am instead touting the *Cosmos bipinnatus*. This cosmos is native to Mexico and is related to coreopsis and rudbeckias. It is the quintessential cottage garden flower and does bring in the pollinators.

It is so good the University of Georgia has put them in their promotional seed packs labeled "Pollinator Blend." The pack states the "pollinators will make a beeline to your garden when you plant this beautiful flower mix."

These cosmos have daisy-like flowers 2 to 4 inches wide in shades of burgundy, pink, lilac and white with orange centers and are borne on stems of airy fern-like foliage for weeks on end during the growing season. As GDOT and UGA would testify, these are easy to grow from seed. In fact, they are so easy to grow from seed you can sow succession plantings to have blooms the entire growing season, especially if you want to have a bounty of flowers for the vase, too.

NORMAN WINTER
Tribune News Service

In Georgia, we are still enjoying the blooms almost everyone will be planting next spring. You might get lucky and find nursery plants, but seeds seem to be readily available. Plant your seeds or nursery-grown transplants into loose, well-drained soil. Fertility need not be high for this Mexico native. Seeds germinate in five to seven days with blooms, bees, and butterflies in eight to 10 weeks. Thin the seedlings or space transplants 12 to 36 inches apart depending on your variety.

Yes, there are varieties like the 1938 All-America Selections award-winning Sensation that tops out in the 4- to 5-foot range. You'll love it like they did 80 years ago. But if you are into the more diminutive cosmos, then you might want to try the 2-foot tall Sonata, which was a Flueroselect Award Winner. There are plenty of others to try as well.

Though considered an annual, the cosmos gives a perennial-like performance by reseeding which is perfect for the highway system and your pollinator garden, too. These are tough plants so water sparingly but when you do, water deeply to train those roots to go deep. Your volunteer seedlings may look a little different than what you originally planted when it comes to height, but they will nonetheless be dazzling.

Our promotional UGA Pollinator Blend seed packet has purple coneflowers, coreopsis, rudbeckias, Liatris and salvias that should make any bee, butterfly or hummingbird ecstatic.

To me, the only other prerequisite might be a white picket fence. That is a little tongue and cheek, but it would sure set up a beautiful photo.

If the Georgia Department of Transportation can have success with cosmos, you can too. I hope you'll give them a try next spring.

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Compost tea nourishes plants, soil

The rains we had this summer were so much better for plants than our West Texas hard water. After one of the bigger downpours, I dutifully made the rounds emptying everything that could hold water – to help deter mosquitos — and poured it into flowerbeds. I found a five-gallon bucket to collect rainwater for later use.

My compost container is a large wash tub. With all the water in it, it was too heavy so I ended up draining it.

That was a dumb idea because the water could have become compost tea, a source of nourishment to apply to plants and soil.

The tea is made from water that extracts vital nutrients from the compost. It can apply to your garden in so many ways.

If you are unsure of how to start your own tea, the best advice is to start small.

There are numerous compost tea recipes on the internet. These recipes require items such as buckets, tubes, valves, catalysts, acids, kelp/fish fertilizer, an aquarium pump and strainer. If you're like me — lazy and cheap — that doesn't have to hold you back.

When the wash tub refilled with rainwater, it was still half full of compost.

This time I stirred it all up and let it settle, and repeated whenever I thought about it. Having attended the Master Gardeners' public compost class this spring, I wore protective rubber gloves as they suggested.

I, however, did not use gloves while spreading it at home and learned a valuable lesson when a cut became infected.

I skimmed off the darkened water into other containers to be used later.

SHAN WHEELER
Permian Basin Master Gardener

With what little effort I expended toward this compost tea, the result had to be better than draining it on the ground.

The tea is good for house plants, but be forewarned. It can be smelly.

You can also put some compost in a bucket, add water and let it steep for a pretty impressive fertilizer. The price is certainly right.

Visit the Permian Basin Master Gardeners website at westtexasgardening.com for a source of information on water use, flower and plant tips and upcoming classes.

Pumpkin bread is easy to make

Dear Heloise: With Thanksgiving just around the corner, I'd like to serve some pumpkin bread, but I don't have a good recipe. Can you help me with this? — Sophie L., Macon, Ga.

Sophie, I have a very good recipe that's easy to make and delicious:

- 1 2/3 cups flour
- 1 1/4 cups sugar
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- 2 eggs, slightly beaten
- 1/2 cup salad oil
- 1 cup canned pumpkin

Sift together dry ingredients. Add nuts and mix well. Set aside. Combine remaining ingredients and add to dry ingredients.

Mix just enough to blend. Pour into 9-by-5-by-3-inch pan that is greased and floured. Bake at 350 degrees for 60-75 minutes.

There's nothing like a warm slice of pumpkin bread to bring back the taste and smell of an autumn day. Did you know that the interior walls of the Statue of Liberty were cleaned using baking soda? Talk about multiple uses! — Heloise

HINTS FROM HELOISE

King Features Syndicate

CAFFEINE CONTENT

Dear Heloise: I've been told by a dietitian that one cup of green tea has less caffeine than one cup of decaf coffee. Can you tell me if that is true? — Marilyn and Jerry, via email

Marilyn and Jerry, according to the Mayo Clinic, the caffeine content of a drink varies due to several factors, such as origin, processing and more. However, it offers as a guideline the following information: 8 ounces of brewed decaf has 2 to 5 milligrams of caffeine, while 8 ounces of brewed green tea has 25 to 29 milligrams of caffeine. This refers to green tea, which is not decaffeinated. — Heloise

THOSE SWEDISH MEATBALLS

Dear Readers: We had a lot of letters concerning a recent recipe for Swedish meatballs, most of which were accompanied by an old (and delicious-looking) family recipe, but none of them were alike:

Mark S. wrote: Real simple: Your meatballs may be very good ... but those are not Swedish meatballs.

Karin O. wrote: It's not the recipe that our Swedish family or my late mother would recognize.

Arlene N. wrote: Your meatballs seem more Italian than Swedish.

"Swedish meatballs" seems to be a generic term for many meatball recipes out there, but the ones sent in all sound wonderful! So, whatever you call your meatballs, "bon appetit." — Heloise

RANGE REMINDER

Dear Heloise: I have a hood over my range that I use only when the range or oven is on. I don't use it for any other purpose.

I know, therefore, that when I see it on, my range is in use. — Diana M., Wapakoneta, Ohio

A great safety hint! — Heloise

DEAR ABBY

Universal Press Syndicate

Grieving family member urges smokers to quit a deadly habit

DEAR ABBY: The winter months are hard for me.

They remind me that another year has gone by without my father and my younger sister.

Dad was a smoker since his teens and died from pancreatic cancer at 39.

I was 13, and my siblings were younger. In those days, we didn't know that smoking was a risk factor for pancreatic cancer.

My sister smoked from the time she was 13. She died from lung cancer at 44, leaving behind two young sons.

Neither my father nor my sister got to experience the wonderful family milestones and celebrations we have had.

Their grandchildren will never know them. Each year during the holidays, I feel a sadness in my heart.

I urge every smoker to make a vow to quit and carry it through, not only for their own sake but also their families.

Stay determined to quit so you won't cause your loved ones sadness and won't miss out on their futures.

With all my heart, I wish smokers the best of luck in quitting. — MISSING DAD AND SIS IN SACRAMENTO

DEAR MISSING: I'm glad you wrote because the American Cancer Society's annual Great American Smokeout will be held Nov. 16.

It's a day when millions of smokers put down their cigarettes — just for one day — with the conviction that if they can go 24 hours without one, then they can do it for 48 hours, 72 hours and stop smoking for good.

The idea grew out of a 1970 event in Randolph, Massachusetts, and became a national event in 1977.

Readers, I'm not going to harangue you with death threats.

We are all aware of the grim statistics associated with cancer-related deaths caused by tobacco. If you're interested in quitting, this is a perfect opportunity.

Call 800-227-2345 to be connected with counseling services in your community, provided with self-help materials offering information and strategies on quitting for good, and to receive information about medications available to help you quit.

This service is free and provided 24/7. Or go online to cancer.org.

DEAR ABBY: I need your help. Over the past few weeks, I have been vacationing at my mother-in-law's home.

The other day, I was browsing on her computer and accidentally opened her browsing history.

It turns out that she regularly looks at and responds to Craigslist personals.

I was shocked when I read some of the perverted requests she has responded to.

The language she used would make a sailor blush. Keep in mind, my mother-in-law is a married woman.

I don't know how to react. Should I tell my wife? Keep it to myself? Make a fake Craigslist post and catch her in the act? — KINKS IN THE FAMILY

DEAR KINKS: If you disclose this to your wife, it could damage her relationship with her mother. If she tells her mother what you found, it will create a breach in the family.

If you trap the woman by creating a fake Craigslist post and she realizes she has been made a fool of, it will not — to put it mildly — endear you to her. Let it lie.

Many of the old oil-rich homes in Galveston were destroyed in various hurricanes, but much of the town's Victorian framework survived. *Photos by Amalie Rayndal/Minneapolis Star Tribune/MCT*

GHOSTS

From 1E

while playing outside. The tall palm trees that fill the enclosed courtyard sway excessively when the ghosts come and go, she said.

Specific rooms — on our floor, incidentally — get the bulk of the action. Doors opening and slamming on their own. Hair dryers unplugged but suddenly blowing air.

"They won't hurt you," she said, as we blinked.

We realized, then, that this cute and quirky city we'd joked was a ghost town during this off-peak time of year (we visited in May) was actually a town full of ghosts.

The Hotel Galvez, built in the early 1900s, is dubbed one of the most haunted hotels in the country.

SLEEPLESS NIGHTS

That night, I barely slept, staring into the crevices of the dark room, then pinching my eyes shut, afraid of seeing something I'd be unable to forget.

The hotel's old bones didn't do much to ease my mind.

Although renovated with marble-topped vanities, tall ceilings and glistening wooden floors, the walls of the Tremont House still creak. Whenever we shut the bathroom door, an anxious, perpetual shuddering would ensue.

But when clearheaded morning logic set in the next day, we started to wonder if it was all a grand scheme — the hotel industry seizing on folklore and perpetuating it.

Galveston's heyday began in the late 1800s, when it was one of the richest cities in America. After the 1900 hurricane, the city charged back into prominence in unlikely fashion: under the three-decade-long mob leadership of the legendary Maceo brothers, who later played a major role in developing the Las Vegas Strip. The "free state of Galveston" had been Las Vegas-like before the actual Vegas had ever come to be.

Since those so-called glory days, though, Galveston had endured more hurricane damage and the weathering of time. A dated city under the shadow of oil rigs just didn't have the same draw it once did. Perhaps all of this ghost talk was part of an impressive new tourism campaign?

During breakfast at the counter of an off-the-beaten path nook called Sonny's Place, we asked the 89-year-old proprietor if he had any ghost stories.

"No," he said, "no ghosts," dismissing the topic quickly.

Along the Strand, the name given to the town's historic core, we talked to everyone we met, from the Old Strand Emporium, a general store featuring an ice cream shop, to La King's Confectionery, a candy shop with wooden floors and exposed brick walls. In a contemporary section of town, we looked for clues in clothing boutiques and hipster coffee shops.

After lunch — a feast of crawfish and whole crabs at Benno's on the Beach — we checked out a handful of antique shops and chatted with the cashiers. One chuckled at our unearthly query.

"There's been a lot of talk about that," she said. "But I haven't seen anything."

Elsewhere, though, the theme was pretty steadily reinforced.

HANDPRINTS ON THE VANITY

Between strolls along the city's dramatic sea wall and down the pleasure pier, where we played the midway and downed sugary slushies, we learned more about Galveston's calamitous past. The 1900 storm had killed between 6,000 and 12,000 people. Afterward, bodies lined the streets. As many as 4,000 were burned on the beach, the smell drifting all the way to Houston 50 miles away, according to stories. As for the remainder, the city's mayor instructed the islanders to "bury them where you find them."

"So they're under every block," said Blake, a tour guide who gave us a horse-carriage ride through palm-lined neighborhoods replete with Victorian mansions. "When they do roadwork, they're always pulling up a femur or something."

In a city that has been dealt more than its fair share of pain, the sad stories run deep. Perhaps none is more crushing than the tale of the St. Mary's orphanage. During the 1900 storm, the nuns tied groups of children together with clotheslines and fastened the lines to themselves in an effort to keep track of the 90 kids. It proved a fateful strategy. When the building collapsed, the nuns were sucked into the powerful water surge. Only two children survived.

Today, a Wal-Mart occupies the spot.

"People who work there will come in in the morning and there will be bicycles in the grocery section, Barbie dolls opened and played with," Blake said. "They can't get anybody to work there."

Back at the Tremont House, the eeriness persisted. Each night, something would rustle me from sleep at exactly 4 a.m. I'd stay awake then until it was time to get up, pierced by the thought that something — or someone — was near. Once I thought I felt something brush against my arm, then my face. My travel companion had similar experiences.

Were they with us? Or had we just become brainwashed with the thought?

We told the Tremont House bartender about our shuddering bathroom door. She smiled.

"That's a new one," she said.

She encouraged us to take photos around the hotel. Unseen spirits sometimes show up in photos, she said.

The night before we left, I took a handful of snaps. By the bar. In the elevators. In the corners of the rooms. And in the mirror in our shuddering-door bathroom.

As we drove away from the city, I studied them.

Everything appeared normal. No shadowy figures. No faces in the shower curtain. No man in the mirror.

... But wait.

Had I made that handprint above the vanity?

I zoomed again and took another look. The finger marks spread wide as if someone had held up a hand to stop something. I didn't remember touching the mirror in this way.

I put my phone away, but the thought persisted. The tingles had returned.

Surely it was one of our hands. Whose else could it have been?

Unless ...

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Sandi Parrish, right, reunited with Alicia Lowrance at Midland International Air & Space Port in October. Parrish was Lowrance's Big Sister through the Big Brothers Big Sisters program in Midland.

BIG

From 1E

Over the past two years, they communicated regularly by phone and through Facebook but had not been able to meet in person.

my recently underwent surgery in Midland. Lowrance was unable to arrive until after the surgery, so Parrish volunteered to drive from Brownwood to take care of Amy until Alicia could arrive.

On that Saturday afternoon, Lowrance walked out of airport security to join Parrish, who was so excited she couldn't stay seated.

Between the hugs and tears, she and Lowrance immediately began recalling special memories from their match so many years ago.

"I remember Dad not being part of our lives," Lowrance said. "Mom wanted us to have someone to look up to. Sandi did a good job. She got me into gymnastic lessons. It was such fun, and we got into different projects. I remember one Halloween when I decided I wanted to be Grumpy Bear from the Care Bears."

"Oh, I remember that," Parrish said, jumping into the conversation. "There were all these darling princess and fairy costumes, but you wanted to be Grumpy Bear. So, I went and bought all this blue Cookie Monster fur …and found a pattern. Together, we made the big round head where you could see out of the mouth, and I sewed the costume together."

Lowrance said the costume ended up being passed down from sister to sister.

They also recalled baking at Christmastime.

"I always baked fresh bread for Christmas," Parrish said. "One year, I had Alicia and Amy over to make bread. They had more flour on the floor and on themselves than we did in the bread. It was the first thing Amy remembered when I arrived at the hospital."

The sisters said their memories and smiles stemmed from the organization.

"We owe Big Brothers Big Sisters for bringing us together and creating a lifelong friendship," said Parrish "It doesn't matter where we live. We have this connection. We're lifelong sisters. We're family, and I hope this will inspire someone else to volunteer. It really can change lives."

Kay Crites is executive director of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Midland

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SUNDAY MORNING — NOVEMBER 12, 2017

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	In Touch Ministries		GMA/Sunday		The Truth	House	Matter	This Week		Church	JJones	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Homeo.	Carrasco	First Baptist Church		CBS Sunday Morning (N)			Face the Nation		Mission	The NFL Today (L)	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Hunters	Hunters	Beakman	Beakman	Bill Nye	Bill Nye	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	BradyB.	BradyB.
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	5	8	Extra	W.Minist	Insight	FaithAve	Fox News Sunday		Odessa	Garret	NFL Kickoff (L)		Fox NFL Sunday (L)	
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Southwest "Part 2"		Essentials	Mission	In Touch Ministries		On Wings	Messiah	Shepherd's Heart		Nueva Vida	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Minute	Secrets	In Search	B&N Min.	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press		Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Sesame	Cat/ Hat	Speaks	SplashB.	Sid	Cat	Jet Go!	Wild K.	O. Squad	Arthur	Cyberch.	Libera
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Pagado	Pagado	Programa	pagado	Netas divinas		Al punto		Aqui y ahora		Como dice el dicho	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		LatiNat.	Latino	Spaces	Homeo.	Green	Hazelton	PosPaula	Garden	First Baptist Church		The NFL Today	
FLIX	340	575		165		Movie (:50) ★★★★ The Bear Bart Douce.						★★ De-Lovely ('04, Bio) Kevin Kline.			(:35)	American Graffiti	
HBO	300	550	14	14		Sports	★★ Hellboy II: The Golden Army				Boxing HBO After Dark					(:15) Fight	(:45) Boards
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(:15) ★ To Be Announced		(:50) ★ To Be Announced				★ To Be Announced				VicePri.	VicePri.
HBO3	304	552	16	102		(5:00) ★ Fried Gree...		(:15) ★★ Le Divorce Kate Hudson.			Movie	(:45) ★★★ Erin Brockovich ('00, True) Julia Roberts.					
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(5:00) ★ All the Presi...		(:20) ★★ Chernobyl Diaries		(:45) ★ A Cure for Wellness (17, Thril) Dane DeHaan.						(:15) ★ Dolores Cla...	
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(5:50) ★★★ Space Cowboys				(:05) ★ Mr. Right Sam Rockwell.		(:45) ★★★ Keanu Keegan-Michael Key.				★ Blow	
PLEX			96			(:15) ★★★ Babe Ruth Stephen Lang.				(:15) ★★★ Chocolat Juliette Binoche.				(:20) ★★★ Beethoven's Big Break			
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(4:30) ★ Bridge of S...	Inside the NFL			★★★ I Am Number Four		(:50) ★ Don't Knock Twice (2017, Horror)				Movie	
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	Movie (:35) ★ Jurassic Sch-ool				(:05) ★ The Man Who Knew Infinity				★ Anesthesia Sam Waterston.		Movie	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Hoarders		Hoarders		Hoarders		Hoarders		Hoarders		★ Cleveland Abd...	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(:25) ★★ Mission to Mars ('00, Sci-Fi) Tim Robbins.				(:55) ★★★ Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines						(:25) ★ The Matrix	
BET	58	-		40		D. Grier	Fellowship	Walk	Abundant	Payne	Payne	(:05) Payne	(:35) Payne	Browns	Browns	Browns	Browns
BRAVO	65	76		41		Wives NJ	'Not Over It'	Housewives NJ		Xscape-Kickin' It!		Housewives Atlanta		Cromarts	Tardy...	Tardy...	Tardy...
CNBC	46	53		39	72	(5:30) Paid Program											
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	New Day Sunday		Inside Politics		State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources		State of the Union	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	MythBusters		MythBusters		MythBusters		MythBusters		MythBusters		Homestead Rescue	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Puppy	Mickey	Puppy	Vamp	Elena	Tangled	Transyl	Bunk'd	★★★ Diary of a Wimpy Kid		StuckM.	
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		Sunday NFL Countdown (L)					
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	College Football Final		Football Final (L)		E:60 (N)		Fantasy Football Now (L)					
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday						Morning Futures		MediaBuzz		America's News HQ	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Patricia H	Farm Rules	Pioneer	Pioneer	Southern	Southern	Southern	Southern	Holiday	Bob./Da.	Guy's R.	Cooking
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	★★★ Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters Logan Lerman.						(:35) ★★ Matilda ('96, Fam) Mara Wilson.			(:35)	★★ Home Alone	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Diaries	Mavericks	Cowboys	Spotlight	Paid	Paid	Golf (N)	UEFAMag.	XPoints	Texans	NCAA Basketball (L)	
FX	31	56	59	64	69	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	★ Transformers: Age of Extl...		
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	(5:00) ★ Family for C...		★ Merry Matrimony		Jessica Lowndes.		★ Just in Time for Christmas				★ 12 Gifts of Chris...	
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Top Gear		Top Gear		Counting Cars: Driv...		'Drive: Maxed Out" (N)				Counting	Counting
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	In Touch Ministries		Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid	★ 'Tl Death Do Us Part Haylie Duff.				★ Damaged	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	MSNBC	Business	PoliticsNation (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		AM Joy (N)				MSNBC Live (N)	
NBCSN	38	43				F1 Auto Race Brazilian Grand Prix		F1 Auto Race Brazilian Grand Prix				Pre-race	F1 Auto Racing Brazilian Grand Prix (L)				
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	ALVINNN	ALVINNN	★ Ranger	Mysticon	Sponge	Sponge	★★★★ The LEGO Movie Chris Pratt.				Teenage Turtles (N)	
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program		Off-Road	E. Power	Truck T.	D.Muscle	★★★ Bad Boys ('95, Act) Will Smith.			
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Futur. (P)	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Queens	Queens	Queens	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Search	Search	Search	Search	Search
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:15) ★★★ Guys and Dolls ('55, Mus) Marlon Brando.						★ Window Barbara Hale.				★★★★ National Velvet	
TELE	20	-	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Videos	Enfoque	Mega Des
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	Law&O. "Navy Blues"		Law&Order "Harvest"		Law & Order		Law & Order "Blood"		LawOrder "Shadow"		★ The Change-Up	
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	(:10) Chris	(:50) G. Girls	(:25) The Golden Girls		G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Paid	T.Point	In Touch	J.Osteen	Cromarts	Chrisley	Damnation		SVU "Street Revenge"		SVU "Strange Beauty"	
WGN	19	85				Lord	Creflo	Paid	Paid	In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops

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	G	S	R	C	W	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	X Games	X Games	American Ninja War.		News (N)	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	To Be Announced				(:05) Courage (N)		NFL Football Houston Texans at Los Angeles Rams (L)					
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	BradyB.	BradyB.	FactsLife	FactsLife	Mama'sF.	Mama'sF.	Lucy Show	Lucy Show	The Love Boat		The Love Boat	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	5	8	NFL Football (L)						NFL Football (L)					
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Shofar	Mani Erfan	Aleph	Creation	Southwest "Part 1"		Southwest "Part 2"	HaYesod	Hebrew		Jerusalem	Housecall
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Paid	NASCAR	Count.	NASCAR Auto Racing			Can-Am 500 Site: Phoenix International Raceway (L)				Inside Ed.	News (N)
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	(11:30) Angels Sing		Martha	Martha	Chef's	Chef	Baking "Desserts"		Nova "Killer Floods"		News.	Japan
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Tonta, Tonta, Pero No Tanto				Republica deportiva		Como dice el dicho		Al punto		Nacional	Noticiero
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Wondra.	Bucket List	Green	Homes	Cars.TV	A.Athlete	Entertainers		Missing	Carrasco	Outdoor	Outdoor
FLIX	340	575		165		Movie	★★★ The Hills Have Eyes			★★★ Shaun of the Dead		(:45) ★★ Doom ('05, Sci-Fi) Karl Urban.				★ Awake	
HBO	300	550	14	14		(:05) ★★ What Women Want Mel Gibson.				(:15) Bill Maher		(:15) ★★ The Accountant ('16, Cri) Ben Affleck.				★ Sully	
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.	VicePri.
HBO3	304	552	16	102		(9:45) ★ Erin Brocko...		LastWeek		(:40) ★★ Zoolander		(:15) Enthusiasm (N)	T.Ullman	(:25) Bill Maher (N)		LastWk	
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(11:15) ★ Dolores Claiborne				★★ Observe and Report		Tour Bus	Tour Bus	Tour Bus	Tour Bus	Tour Bus	Tour Bus
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(11:30) ★★★ Blow				(:35) ★ Rapture Hiromi Kapace.		(:20) ★★ Runaway Jury ('03, Thril) John Cusack.				Movie	
PLEX			96			★★★ Stolen Summer				(:40) ★ Slap Shot: The Junior ...		(:10) ★★ Brick Lane Tannishtha Chatterjee.			(:55)	★ Chocolat	
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(11:25) ★★ Open Range				(:45) ★★ The Parent Trap ('98, Fam) Lindsay Lohan.				Active Shooter		Shameless	
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(11:30) ★★★ Stander				★★ Hateship Loveship		(:15) ★★★★ I Love You Phillip Morris				★★ Carol	
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	(11:00) ★ Cleveland...		Women Who Kill						Remini: Scientology		Remini: Scientology	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(11:25) ★★★ The Matrix Keanu Reeves.						(:25) ★★★ The Book of Eli Denzel Washington.			(:55)	The Walking Dead "Mercy"	
BET	58	-		40		Browns	(:25) ★ Madea's Big Happy Family ('11, Dra) Tyler Perry.					★★★ The Help ('11, Dra) Viola Davis, Emma Stone.					
BRAVO	65	76		41		Real Wives Dallas		Real Housewives				Married to Medicine		Married to Medicine		Xscape-Kickin' It!	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	(5:30) Paid Program										Shark Tank	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Rescue "Winter's Fury"		Homestead Rescue		Rescue "Grizzly Bait"		Rescue "Trapped"		Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Andi M.	Andi Mack	Underc.		Raven's.	Bizaard.	Bunk'd	StuckMid.	Raven's.	Bizaard.	Bunk'd	Jessie
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	Champ	NCAA Basketball Stanford vs. Connecticut (L)					NCAA Basketball Vermont at Kentucky (L)			Soccer (L)		
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	CFL Football Grey Cup Playoffs Saskatchewan vs Ottawa (L)						Preview	CFL Football Grey Cup Playoffs Edmonton vs Winnipeg (L)				
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal Editorial R.		America's News HQ		Greg Gutfeld Show		America's News HQ	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	The Kitchen		Holiday Baking		Vegas Ca	Vegas Ca	Chopped		Iron Chef: Behind		Iron Chef Showdown	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(10:35) ★ Home Alone		(:05) ★★★ Charlie and the Chocolate Factory				(:40) ★★★★ Toy Story Tom Hanks.				Movie	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	(11:00) NCAA Basketb.		NCAA Basketball G. Mason vs Louisville (L)				NCAA Basketball West Mich. vs NM State (L)				Mavricks	Mavs Pre
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(10:30) ★ Transformers: Age of Extinction						★★ Spy ('15, Act/Com) Jude Law, Melissa McCarthy.				Ted Mark Wahlberg.	
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	(11:00) ★ 12 Gifts of...		★ The Sweetest Christmas Lacy Chabert.				★ A December Bride Daniel Lissing.				★ Christmas Festi...	
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Flip-Flop	Flip-Flop	FlipATL	FlipATL	FlipATL	FlipATL	Property Brothers		Property Brothers	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Counting	CountCars	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(11:00) ★ Damaged		★ The Good Mistress ('14, Dra) Annie Heise.				★ His Double Life Emmanuelle Vaugier.				★ Manny Dearest	
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		Meet the Press	
NBCSN	38	43				F1 Extra	Motorclub	Sport	Sport	Sport	Sport	Sport	Sport	Wakeb.	Racer TV	Post-race	Vic Lap
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Turtles	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	(10:00) ★ Bad Boys		★★★ The Longest Yard ('05, Com) Chris Rock, Adam Sandler.						★ Talladega Nights:		The Ballad of Ricky...	
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Search	Search	Search		Search		Search		Search		★★ Horrible Bosses 2	
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(10:30) ★ National ...		★★★ Lost in a Harem				(:45) ★★★★ Casablanca			(:45)	★★★ Bullitt	
TELE	20	-	10	20		MegaDes	★ Ralph, el demoledor John C. Reilly.					★ Battleship ('12, Act) Alexander Skarsgaro.				Decision	Noticias
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	90 Day Fiancé		90 Day Fiancé		90 Day Fiancé		90 Day Fiancé		90 Day Fiancé	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(11:00) ★ The Chang...		★★ Vacation ('15, Com) Ed Helms.				★★ Bad Teacher Cameron Diaz.				★ The Hangover P...	
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba
USA	26	55	42	27	49	SVU "Internal Affairs"		Law & Order: S.V.U.		SVU "Military Justice"		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.	
WGN	19	85				Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Blue Bloods	

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	The Toy Box (N)		America's Funniest Home Videos (N)		Shark Tank (N)		Shark Tank (N)		Local 2 News (N)	(:35) Basin Gridiron	(:05) Blue Bloods	
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		Wisdom of Crowd "Tracks Secrets" (N)		NCIS: Los Angeles "The Silo" (N)		Madam Secretary "Loophole" (N)		CBS 7 News (N)	(:35) CBS 7 Wire	(:05) Falcon	(:35) Castle
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Touched by An Angel "Out of Darkness"		Columbo "Ashes to Ashes"				Touched by Angel "Lost and Found"		Honey-mooners	The Odd Couple	Cheers	B.New-hart
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	5	8	(3:00) NFL Football	The OT	TheSim-psons (N)	Ghosted "Sam" (N)	Family Guy (N)	Last Man (N)	Big Bang Theory	Mom	2 Broke Girls	Inside the Game	Robert Jeffress	Texans 360
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Mission: M25	Shepherd's Heart	Essentials	The	Light of the Southwest "Part 1"		Light of the Southwest "Part 2"		Update News	Behind the Veil	Wings of Truth	Our Messiah
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Football Night in America (L)		(:20) NFL Football New England Patriots at Denver Broncos Site: Sports Authority Field at Mile High ... Denver, Colo. (L)						NewsW-est 9 (N)		County Reporter	Film Flickers
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Nature "The Cheetah Children"		Masterpiece "The Durrells in Corfu" (N)		Masterpiece Classic "Poldark" (N)		Masterpiece Classic "The Collection" (N)		Finding Your Roots "Black Like Me"		Masterpiece Classic "The Durrells in Corfu"	
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Aqui y ahora		Mira quien baila				El Chapo		Maria de Todos	Noticiero Univision	Republica deportiva	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Bones		Rizzoli "...Goodbye"		CSI "Throwing Heat"		H.S. Football OHS vs. Midland					
FLIX	340	575		165		(5:00) ★★★★ Awake		★★ Witness ('85, Cri) Harrison Ford.				★★★★ American Graffiti				★★★ Mr. Brooks	
HBO	300	550	14	14		(5:30) ★ Sully		(:10) ★ The LEGO Batman Movie Will Arnett.		Curb (N)		VicePri.		LastWk		(:15) Curb	LastWk
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	VicePri.	(:35) VicePri.	VicePri.	(:35)	★★★ Wanted James McAvoy.				★★★★ Nocturnal Animals Amy Adams.		★ Speed	
HBO3	304	552	16	102		(:10) ★ A Monster Calls Lewis MacDougall.				★★★ Erin Brockovich Julia Roberts.				(:15) ★★★ Shoot 'Em Up		Movie	
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	Tour Bus	Tour Bus	★★ A Perfect World Kevin Costner.				(:20) ★ A Cure for Wellness ('17, Thril) Dane DeHaan.				Movie	
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(5:30) ★★★ Transcendence		TourBus		★ Live by Night ('16, Cri) Ben Affleck.				(:10) ★★★ Basic		Movie	
PLEX			96			(4:55) ★ Chocolat		★★★ Babe Ruth ('92, Bio) Stephen Lang.				(:55) ★★ The Court-Martial of J...				★★★ The Flying Scotsman	
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	White	SMILF	Active Shooter				SMILF (N)	White (N)	Shameless		White	SMILF
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(5:00) ★★★ Carol		(:10) ★ Bewitched ('05, Com) Nicole Kidman.				★★★ Notting Hill ('99, Rom) Hugh Grant.		(:05) ★ Hateship Lo...			
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Remini: Scientology		L. Remini (N)		Elizabeth Smart				(:05) Elizabeth Smart		(:05) L. Remini	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	Dead "The Damned"		Dead "Mon...ers"		Dead "Some Guy" (N)		Talking "804" (N)		History of Comics (N)		Dead "Some Guy"	
BET	58	-		40		(3:00) ★ The Help		★★ Coach Carter ('05, Drama) Robert Richard, Rob Brown, Samuel L. Jackson, Martin								Stop Suffering	
BRAVO	65	76		41		Atlanta Social (SP) (N)		Housewives Atlanta		Xscape-Kickin' It! (N)		Housewives Atlanta		Watch (N)	Housewives Atlanta	Xscape	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Job Inter	Job Inter	American Greed		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	CNN Newsroom		Anthony Bourdain		A. Bourdain (N)		Anthony Bourdain		A. Bourdain "Hanoi"		Anthony Bourdain	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Alaska/Frontier		Alaska: Exposed (N)		Alaska/Frontier (N)		Edge of Alaska		(:05) Alaska/Frontier		(:05) Edge of Alaska	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	★★★★ The Incredibles Craig T. Nelson.				Andi M.	Andi M.	Underc.	Underc.	Andi M.	Andi M.	StuckMid.	Bunk'd
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	Soccer	SportsCenter (N)		Champ	Poker World Series		Poker World Series		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	Football	WFTDA Roller Derby Championship					Boxing Classics		ESPN FC (N)		ESPN FC (N)	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	FOX Report Sunday		OBJECTified		The Next Revolution		Fox News Sunday		OBJECTified		The Next Revolution	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Game (N)		Guy's Big Project (N)		Vegas Ca	Teeny (N)	Cookie Challenge		Guy Pro	"The Bite"
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(4:00) ★★★ Toy Story 2		(:45) ★★★ Wreck-It Ralph Jack McBrayer.				(:30) ★ Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban					
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	NBA Basketball Dallas vs Oklahoma (L)						MavsPost	Bull Riding		Cowboys	School (N)	WPT Poker
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(6:30) ★★★ Ted		★★ Ted 2 ('15, Com) Mark Wahlberg, Seth MacFarlane.				★★ Ted 2 ('15, Com) Mark Wahlberg, Seth MacFarlane.				★★ Ted 2 ('15, Com) Mark Wahlberg, Seth MacFarlane.	
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	(5:00) ★ Christmas F...		★ Enchanted Christmas (2017, Romance)				★ A Wish for Christmas Paul Greene.				★ Once Upon a H...	
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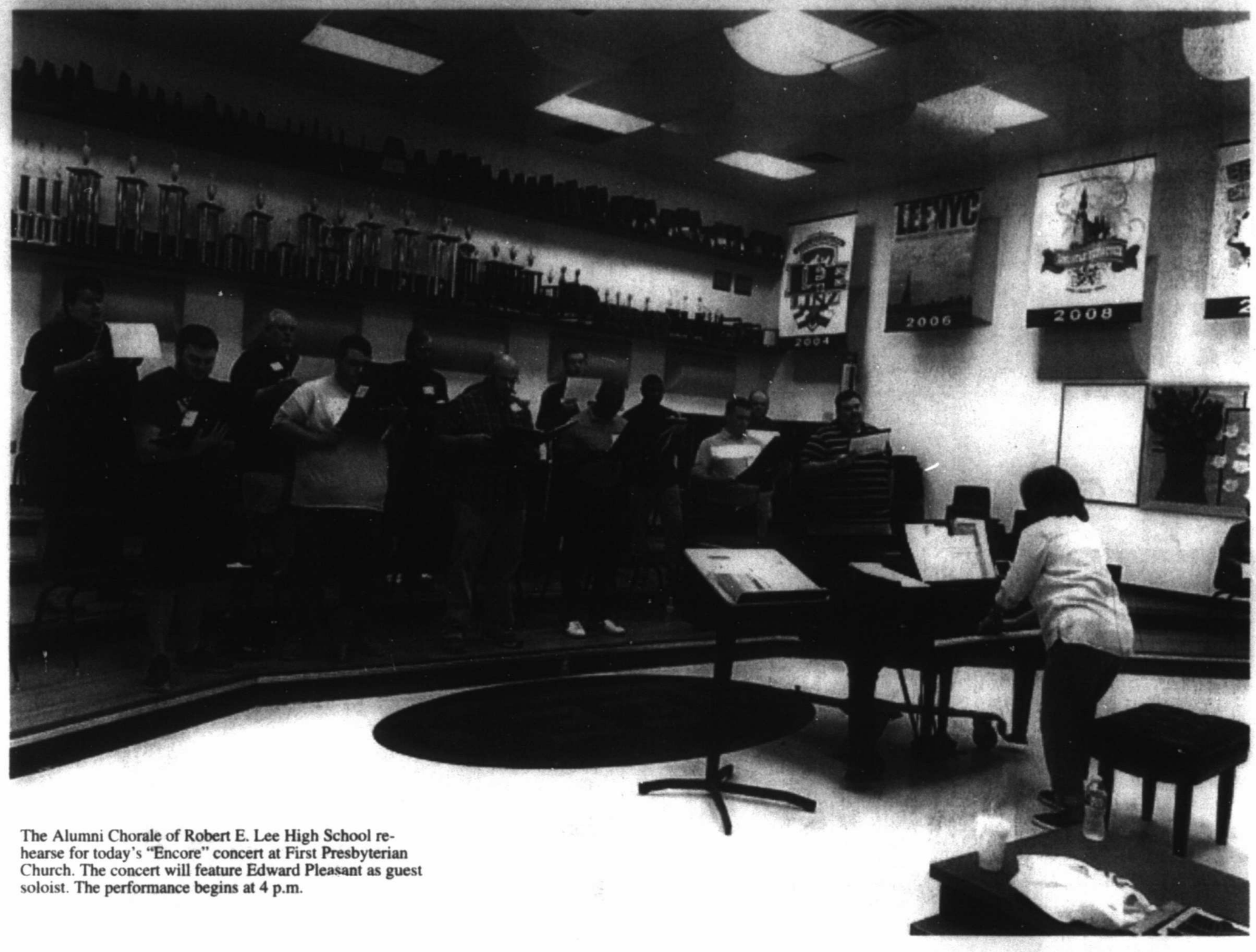

The Alumni Chorale of Robert E. Lee High School rehearse for today's "Encore" concert at First Presbyterian Church. The concert will feature Edward Pleasant as guest soloist. The performance begins at 4 p.m.

CALENDAR

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Compiled by staff reports and the Arts Council of Midland: acmidland.org.

TODAY

"Ladies of the Lounge" runs through Nov. 19. 2 p.m. Sundays, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays-Saturdays. VFW Post 4149, 409 Veterans Airpark Lane. $15. maverickplayers.org.

TCM Big Screen Classics: "Casablanca" 75th anniversary Event. 2 and 7 p.m. today and Wednesday at Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250 N. $13.50. fathomevents.com.

Wine and Paint with the Midland Arts Association. The session will be led by Sue Daniel. 2-4 p.m. at The Midland Palette Club, 907 W. Wadley Ave. RSVP by emailing leslie.slaughter@gmail.com.

Santa, Milk and Cookies, 2-5 p.m. at Miss Cayce's Christmas, 1012 Andrews Highway.

Earth Yoga Flow Donation Class. The class honors local environment though grounding and revitalizing poses. All proceeds from this class benefit Keep Midland Beautiful. 4 p.m. at Project30: Pilates and Fitness Studio, 3211 W. Wadley Ave. $20. clients.mindbodyonline.com.

Los Lobos, The Last Bandoleros, Headstone, 8 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $22-$52. wagnernoel.com.

MONDAY

Bridge game play, 6:45 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; 1 p.m. Tuesdays; 10:30 a.m. Saturdays; 1:30 p.m. Sundays. Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

Open Shop Nights are every Monday hosted by the Midland Gem and Mineral Society and open to the public. Visitors can watch members cut rock and work on lapidary projects. 6:30-9 p.m. Mondays at 602 S. Main St. midlandgemandmineral.org.

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting and rehearsal at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. 7-9 p.m. New members welcome and some instruments are available for use at the college. Contact 553-0632 for more information.

TUESDAY

"Nature Notes" on Marfa Public Radio. 8:35 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. KXWT-Midland/Odessa-91.3 FM.

Urban Sketching demo with Sue Roberson, 9:30 a.m. at Palette Club of Midland, 907 W. Wadley Ave. Free.

Watercolor art classes by Sara Drescher. The class is for all levels. 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Arts Council of Midland, 1506 W. Illinois Ave. To register, email sara@artbysaradb.com.

Second Tuesday Salon is a free lunchtime concert series. Brown bag lunches or purchase from the local food truck onsite beginning at 11:30 a.m. Open to the public. This month's featured musician is harpist Vincent Pierce. Noon at The Rose Building, 415 N. Grant Ave., Odessa. Free. odessaarts.org.

Ninja Story Time with Matthews Martial Arts. This special story time features an appearance by Kung Fu Panda, ninja moves to learn and stories for ages 2 and up. 4:30 -5:30 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country music, 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Crown Royal Club, 1110 E. Scharbauer Drive. $6. For more information, call 432-638-3707 or 432-250-8215.

Crossing the Line: West Texas Line Dancing weekly meetup. 7:30-9 p.m. at MLK Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane. Classes are free but there is a $1 center entry fee. 713-876-9097. bbberesik@gmail.com. meetup.com/CrossingTheLineWestTexas.

WEDNESDAY

Story Time, 9:30 a.m. for ages up to 2 years; 10:30 a.m. for ages 2-6 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch.

THURSDAY

Colores de Pueblo Fair Trade Market will feature works by marginalized artisans and peoples. The event also brings awareness to social justice and culture preservation through fair trade. 9 a.m.-6 p.m. through Saturday at Kamiposi, 510 S. Big Spring St.

Third Thursday Reading will have a featured book with copies given to each child. The monthly event is part of the Laura Bush Literacy Program. Free but space is limited so reservations are encouraged. Refreshments provided. 4:30 p.m. at the George W. Bush Childhood Home, 1412 W. Ohio Ave. bushchildhoodhome.org.

Centennial Family Night feature a variety of games for the entire family. 4:30 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

Silver Oak Wine Dinner, 6:30-9:30 p.m. at Opal's Table, 223 W. Wall St. $85 per person. opalstable.com.

Midland Storytelling Festival: Storytelling Contest for Youth Tellers, 6:30 p.m. at Midland Shared Spaces, 3500 N. A St. makingmemoriesmidland.com.

Z-Ro, Slim Thug, Boome 1000, Cure for Paranoia. 7 p.m. at La Hacienda Event Center, 12610 State Highway 191. $26, general admission. $126 VIP. haciendamidland.com.

"National Geographic Live!: Polar Obsession" with Paul Nicklen. The event is part of the 2017 Sibley Distinguished Lecture series. 7 p.m. at Midland College's Allison Fine Arts Building, 3600 Garfield St. Free. sibleynaturecenter.org.

"Irving Berlin's Holiday Inn: The Broadway Musical" from Studio 54. 7:30 p.m. at Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250 N. $16.21. fathomevents.com.

West Texas Dance Club with live country music, 7:30-10 p.m. at 208 W. VFW Way in Odessa. 697-0281 or 631-6125.

FRIDAY

"Miracle on 34th Street: The Musical," Nov. 17-Dec. 23 at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. mctmidland.org.

Lego Movie and Block Party will feature a screening of "Lego Star Wars: The Yoda Chronicles" as well as fun creations with the toys. For ages 6 to 12. 4:30 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 3503 W. Loop 250 N.

Odessa Shakespeare Festival: "The Taming of the Shrew." 7 p.m. at the Globe, 201 W. University Blvd., Odessa. $10. $15 festival pass. odessashakespeare.org.

Nicky Jam, DJ Tony. 8 p.m. at La Hacienda Event Center, 12610 State Highway 191. $75-$195. haciendamidland.com.

SATURDAY

No Room at the Inn features Nativity scenes on display from around the world. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church, 2801 N. Garfield St.

Odessa Shakespeare Festival: "Shakespeare's Greatest Hits" by the Texas Shakespeare Festival. 7 p.m. at the Globe, 201 W. University Blvd., Odessa. $10. $15 festival pass. odessashakespeare.org.

Mark Chesnutt, 7 p.m. at Dos Amigos, 4700 N. Golder Ave., Odessa. $20 advance, $25 door. dosamigos.com.

"A Charlie Brown Christmas" Live! On Stage, 8 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788.$33.50-$53.50. wagnernoel.com.

La Mafia, Jimmy G y Grupo Mazz, Shelly Lares, 8 p.m. at La Hacienda Event Center, 12610 SH 191. $25. haciendamidland.com.

ON DISPLAY

NEW: "What If," University of Texas of the Permian Basin Senior Art Exhibition by Iamhilex Fernandez. On display through Jan. 5 at the Arts Council of Midland, 1506 W. Illinois Ave. acmidland.org.

The 29th annual Midland Southwest Impressionists Art Show and Sale runs through Nov. 29 Haley Memorial Library and History Center, 1805 W. Indiana Ave. haleylibrary.com.

Midland Arts Association: Sue Daniel. Works will be on display 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays throughout November at Community National Bank, 401 W. Texas Ave. midlandartsassociation.org.

Fall Art Exhibit at the Gallery at Midland Shared Spaces, 3500 N. "A" St.

"Ground Zero 360: A 9/11 Retrospective" through Dec. 3 at Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. noelartmuseum.org.

"William Cordova: Ankayili: Spatial and Ideological Terrain" on display through Dec. 22. Marfa Contemporary, 100 E. San Antonio St., Marfa. marfacontemporary.org.

Ballroom Marfa, 108 E. San Antonio St. Marfa. ballroommarfa.org.

Blakemore Planetarium at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dome shows Tuesdays -Saturdays. Closed Sunday and Monday. museumsw.org.

George Bush Childhood Home. Tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave. 685-1112.

Midland Army Airfield Museum. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays. 9600 Wright Drive. Free admission. highskywing.org.

Midland County Historical Museum, 301 W. Missouri Ave. Permanent exhibits include early Midland artifacts, pioneer relics and fossil remains. Archives include photographs, documents, newspapers and extensive obituary files. Open Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 2-5 p.m. Free. 688-8947.

Midland County Historical Society's Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St. 682-5447.

Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m., Friday 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. Free. 432-335-6640. odessa.edu.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, 1500 Interstate 20 West. Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. 683-4403. pbpetro.org.

Scarborough-Linebery House, 802 S. Main St. Call for appointment. Available for rental for weddings and special occasions. 685-7368. midland-texas.gov

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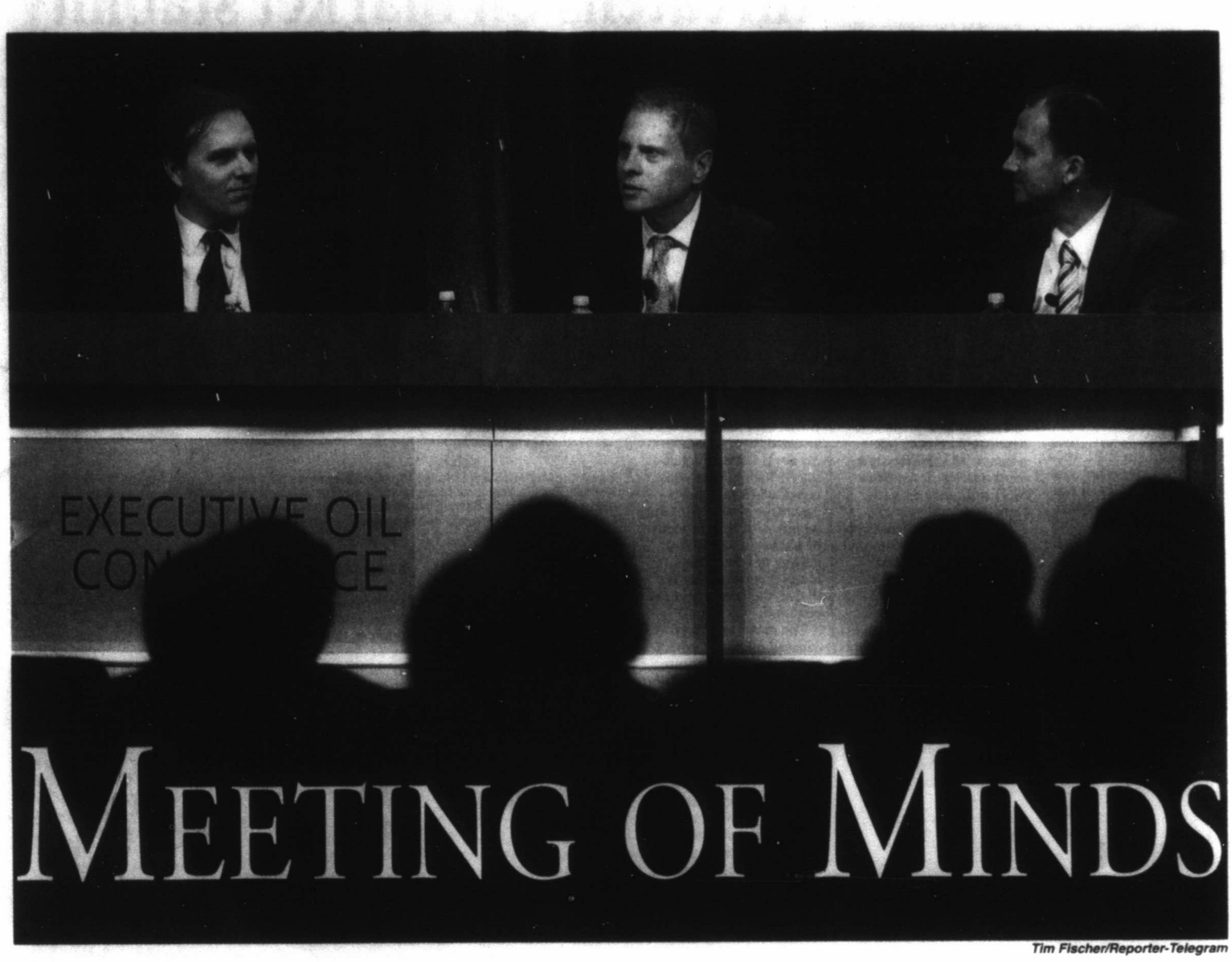

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Michael Hanson, Jay Boudreaux and Raoul LeBlanc participate in a panel discussion, The Sandbox, Tuesday morning at the 2017 Executive Oil Conference

Panelists debate how long shales will last

By Mella McEwen
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"There's enormous potential in shales -- that's been proven. The results are changing the global markets. And that's causing people to ask how long it will last," said Raoul LeBlanc, vice president of HIS Markit, at Tuesday's Executive Oil Conference at the Horseshoe.

LeBlanc was joined by Michael Hanson, founding member of Parkman Whaling LLC, and Jay Boudreaux, managing director of Simmons & Co. International in a discussion of how to continue growing Permian production.

Hanson said that this spring there was the belief that Permian production could double to 4 million, even 4 1/2 million barrels per day in just a few years.

"We came to the conclusion that wasn't sustainable," he told the audience.

He said his company had aggregated what public companies were reporting and that 80 percent of Permian production comes from 30 companies — 26 of which are public — "so we get a good barometer."

The finding was there were too many barriers, "particularly near-term," to double production, Hanson said. He said those barriers are:

- The commodity price has to rise.
- Cost inflation needs to remain low.
- Infrastructure is necessary to take the oil and gas from the Permian to the end market.
- Capital must be available to the industry.

Boudreaux said his company is seeing operators "doing things to disaggregate" costs, such as water management or getting frac sand itself.

"Exploration and production companies are turning to logistics," LeBlanc said. "There are a lot of gains to be made there. (But) how much more can we squeeze out of service costs?"

Asked what they perceive the energy landscape to be in 2020, LeBlanc predicted there may be some turmoil as producers shift to a standardization process because the skill sets needed to derisk the shale plays are different than those needed to run multiple rigs and exploit the shales.

Boudreaux said he thinks there will be "an intense focus on costs, and we'll be seeing a delineation of zones."

While he disagrees with the contention that Permian production can be doubled to 4 million barrels or more a day, Hanson said he is "highly optimistic the Permian Basin will be as strong or stronger" as it is today.

Land office turns to private sector to develop water as new revenue stream

By Mella McEwen
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Revenues from the crude and natural gas found in the Delaware Basin are flowing into state coffers, benefiting the state's general fund, transportation funding and the state's public schools and universities, among others.

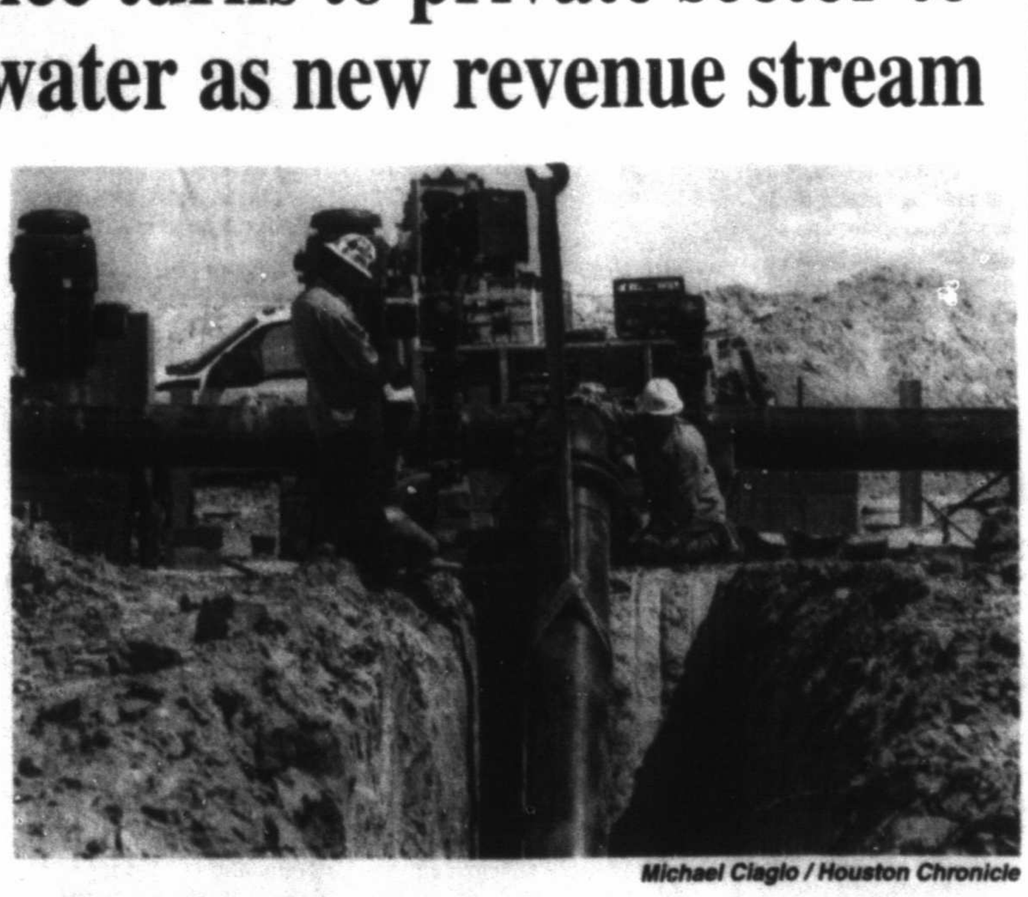
Now, water is about to be added to the resource riches found in the Delaware that will benefit the state's residents. The Texas General Land Office has signed a long-term agreement with Layne Christensen Co. to develop non-potable water resources owned by the office in Reeves and Culberson counties.

"Part of this emanated with (Land Commissioner) George P. Bush, who wanted to create more revenue streams," J. Michael Anderson, chief financial officer and president of Layne Water Midstream, said in a phone interview from his office in The Woodlands.

"They'd never done anything with water, and they felt we could tackle Reeves and Culberson counties and help generate a revenue source," he said.

Partnering with a state agency is a first for the 135-year-old company, he said, just as he believes partnering with a private company is a first for the land office.

Under the agreement, revenues from water sales will be shared between Layne and the Permanent School Fund, which is managed by the General Land Office. The five-year agreement calls for Layne to develop, construct and operate water infrastructure on the land office's approximate 88,000 acres scattered across Reeves and Culberson counties to produce and sell non-potable water for use in oil and gas exploration and production operations.



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Contractors work to attach the end of a 20-mile water pipeline at Layne Christensen's new property on July 18 in Pecos. The Woodlands-based company is building a facility to supply water for hydraulic fracturing operations in the Delaware Basin.

Anderson said the company already has teams at those 88,000 acres and expects to begin drilling some test wells this week with a goal of starting water sales very early next year.

He said it's a challenge because the state doesn't know where the water sources are and the acreage is broken up into chunks of few contiguous parcels. Anderson said the company has pinpointed four areas in the two counties as initial areas to focus on because they have some of the biggest contiguous and are close to large amounts of production.

There are 58 rigs operating within three miles of the land office's acreage in Reeves and Culberson counties, which is nearly 15 percent of all operating rigs within the Permian Basin. Anderson said those rigs also represent a potential water demand market for fracturing operations approaching 500 million barrels a year.

"One of our selling points was time is of the essence," Anderson said. "We need to get going out there and start participating in those operations."

He said that the intent is to develop these water resources in as environmentally responsible a way as possible. For example, General Land Office acreage that could impact the fresh-water San Solomon Springs has been excluded from the lease.

Chevron VP: Company 'stepping on accelerator' to monetize assets

By Mella McEwen
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With a treasure chest stuffed with 2 million acres throughout the Permian Basin — including 1 million to 1.5 million acres in the Midland and Delaware Basins — Chevron is ready to get busy.

Chevron's Permian Basin holdings are one of three legacy positions that anchor the company's upstream business, according to Bruce Niemeyer, vice president of Chevron North America Exploration & Production Co. (The other two are Kazakhstan and the Gorgon and Wheatstone fields offshore Australia.)

Niemeyer

"We have a desire to make (these assets) profitable for our shareholders. About 85 percent of our

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Oil and gas investors have shifted focus as 'Permania' has cooled

By Mella McEwen
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Merger activity in the Permian Basin has cooled significantly from the headline-generating multi-billion dollar deals of last year and early this year. But a strengthening price environment is bringing attention back to the market.

"Things can change in a heartbeat," said Maynard Holt, chief executive officer of Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. Inc. at Tuesday's Executive Oil Conference.

Until recently, "sellers were looking at this market and saying, 'This is not the time to try to sell a Cadillac.' And buyers were looking at this market and saying, 'This is not the time to be buying a Cadillac,'" he said.

Jeff Seiler, managing director and co-head of acquisitions and divestitures at Citigroup Inc., participating in a panel discussion with Holt, said his office expects the pace to speed up.

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Plains All American CEO will retire after 25 years in charge

By Jordan Blum
Houston Chronicle

Longtime Plains All American CEO Greg Armstrong said he will retire at the end of 2018 after more than 25 years in charge, setting up the chief operating officer, Willie Chiang, to succeed him.

Armstrong

Although the oil pipeline company has established a clear succession plan, Armstrong's retirement represents as dramatic change for Plains All American, which has only known Armstrong as its chief executive. Armstrong became CEO in 1992 when the company was launched as Plains Resources. It was renamed Plains All American six years later.

The plan allows for Armstrong to retire as CEO after next year at age 60, but he will remain as Plains' chairman through 2019.

Chiang will take over as CEO at the beginning of 2019 after joining Plains in 2015 from Occidental Petroleum Corp., where he was an executive vice president. Before Oxy, Chiang was a longtime executive at ConocoPhillips.

"The succession process will continue over the next year or so ... to facilitate a seamless transition," Armstrong said.

While Plains has grown as one of the nation's top transporters of crude oil, it also has struggled financially of late amid lower oil prices. In August, Plains stock took a big hit when it cut back its payouts to investors by 45 percent, to 30 cents a unit from 55 cents. A year ago, Plains distributed 70 cents per unit to investors.

Plains is structured as a tax-friendly master limited partnership - a format favored by pipeline businesses - that relies heavily on aggressive growth and larger payouts, called distributions, to its investors, or unit holders.

The pipeline giant said Monday its profits fell down to $33 million in the third quarter, down from $297 million during the same quarter a year ago.

Plains, which focuses on crude as opposed to natural gas pipelines, suffered through the oil bust that started in late 2014 and was hit again less than a year later after an oil leak that covered Santa Barbara beaches in California.

Plains said in August it was selling its stakes in two Utah pipelines for $250 million to a subsidiary of Dallas-based HollyFrontier, but Plains overall is continuing to expand.

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Permian acreage is low—or no-royalty acreage so there's no clock running," Niemeyer said atTuesday's Executive Oil Conference at the Horseshoe. "This helps us be disciplined in our approach."

But now, "we're beginning to step on the accelerator and monetize assets," he said.

Niemeyer said Chevron ended 2016 operating 10 rigs and recently stood up its 15th rig as the company moves toward its goal of operating 20 rigs by the end of next year.

Other efforts to monetize its portfolio in an increasingly aggressive manner include identifying between 150,000 and 200,000 acres for transactions, he said. Seven deals already have been closed. Niemeyer estimated 60,000 of those acres will have been impacted by the end of the year through deals that range from sales or trades or swaps, farmouts or contributed to joint ventures.

Chevron's production volume from the Permian Basin was 187,000 barrels a day in the third quarter and generating internal rates of return in excess of 30 percent, the company reported at the end of October. Niemeyer told his audience the company expects that to rise to between 325,000 and 450,000 barrels per day by 2020 "as part of ongoing development efforts."

Current efforts are exceeding expectations, he said.

"We're seeing improved well results and improved efficiencies," he said.

With more than 5 million well attributes encompassing most Permian wells in its proprietary database, Chevron is applying data analytics and petrophysical technology to drive those improvements.

"The Permian Basin is a world-class asset that has the opportunity to create reliable, affordable energy that enables the way of life we all enjoy," Niemeyer said.

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"What's underpinning activity is a focus on the rock and the quality of the rock the deals are based on," he said.

Holt agreed and said that hedge funds that had avoided the energy market are again taking a look, but their focus is on results and returns on investment.

Michael Wichterich, president of Three Rivers Operating Co. III LLC, said his company's deals have gotten smaller in the last year.

"We look at our customers, and all our customers are private companies, and they're saying to us, 'A year ago we wanted 16,000 acres in the Delaware. Today, we want bolt-on transactions of 5,000 to 10,000 acres, smaller deals."

In the last six months, said Seiler, "midstream is what has jumped out at us. We're seeing well production rates go up, but the question is: How do we get it out of the basin? There's been quite an influx of midstream deals we've been involved with lately."

Amid the low commodity price environment, he said investors are now focused on shareholder returns, and that has caused operators to change their investor presentations and their focus to help look at the full cycle of the well, not just acquisitions.

"One of the things that's been a real eye-opener is the decline in commodity prices," Seiler said. "What we're seeing today is an agreement on $50 oil, maybe $57."

Holt said investors are also asking about mergers and acquisitions and about returns as a tool to generate margins. Mergers and acquisitions have long been a tool to generate strong margins, but he said technology could be another, more effective tool.

Some companies are seeing results in buying components, such as frac sand or chemicals, separately rather than in one bundle, said Seiler. He cited the example of an operator who was paying 16 cents a pound for sand and, after looking at where the sand came from, how it was transported and where it was stored before its use, "they took on that task and cut costs to 1 or 2 cents a pound. What companies are looking at now is getting maximum value from the unit, not maximum locations."

"There is a lot of pent-up dollars that have to go somewhere," Wichterich said. "It would not surprise me to see the industry go to some form of yield instrument."

At the end of the day, said Seiler, "where you have so much strategic life is the Permian Basin. That's why it has so much attention."

Holt agreed, and said, "This will be the epicenter of all that's great about the industry."

Power grab in Saudi Arabia threatens oil market stability

By Chris Tomlinson
Houston Chronicle

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Saudi Crown Prince and Defense Minister Mohammed bin Salman is seen, May 30, in Moscow's Kremlin, Russia. The surprise dismissal and arrest of dozens of ministers, royals, officials and senior military officers by bin Salman late Nov. 4, is unprecedented in the secretive, 85-year-old kingdom. But so is the by-now virtually certain rise to the throne of the 32-year-old royal who, in another first, is succeeding his father.

Doing the right thing for the wrong reason is part of the dictator's stock-in-trade.

No one doubts that Saudi Arabia has long suffered from entrenched corruption that financed the royal family's patronage. But Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman's arrest of political rivals appears to have more to do with establishing totalitarian rule than modernizing his economically backward country.

How do we know that? Because of who was not arrested. Every member of the royal family, including Salman himself, has benefited from Saudi's patronage system. But only members of rival branches of Salman's family and leaders of other tribes found themselves locked in five-star hotels over the weekend.

The move sent international oil prices up 1.5 percent Monday morning, signalling the political instability the arrests could trigger inside one of the world's largest energy producers.

Salman's announcement that his father, King Salman, had appointed him to lead an anti-corruption committee is intended to rally support among average Saudis who have long resented the royal family's extravagance and corruption.

Salman's decisions to limit the power of the religious police and to allow women to drive are intended to rally support among young Saudis, who make up the vast majority of the population. They have disliked the royal family's strict adherence to 10th century Islamic principles that most of them find outdated.

Salman's push to sell shares in Saudi's national oil company, Aramco, is a much-needed step toward modern business practices, that should serve as an example for other Saudi businesses. Everyone in Saudi knows the nation must stop relying on oil revenues to support the economy.

Yet while all of these are the right decisions for the country, they also serve 32-year-old Salman's goal of replacing his ailing father. By design and intention, Saudi has never been ruled by such a young leader, and he has many cousins who feel he needs to wait a generation before coming to power.

To discourage any grumbling, Salman ordered the round up of intellectuals, journalists and tribal leaders in late September and early October. In the guise of cracking down on extremism, his security forces arrested supporters of basic human rights.

Salman apparently has no intention of entertaining dissent from any segment of Saudi society.

Herein lies the risk to global energy markets. Every student of history, or fan of Game of Thrones, knows that in a totalitarian monarchy, the competition for power is intense and potentially violent. When the ruler has the power to jail you on a whim, even if the dungeon is a Ritz-Carlton Hotel, you either join the dictator's clique, oppose the clique and fight for power, or both.

No one can know for sure if Salman is a well-intentioned reformer or an aspiring dictator. Based on my experience covering autocratic regimes, you can start as one and end up the other in a matter of years.

One thing for certain, is that Salman's youth and impulsiveness leave him vulnerable to a power struggle. And by cracking down so harshly on potential challengers, he has made it clear that violence may be the only way to stop his rise to power upon his father's death or abdication. The later is a real possibility as King Salman is rumored to suffer from senility.

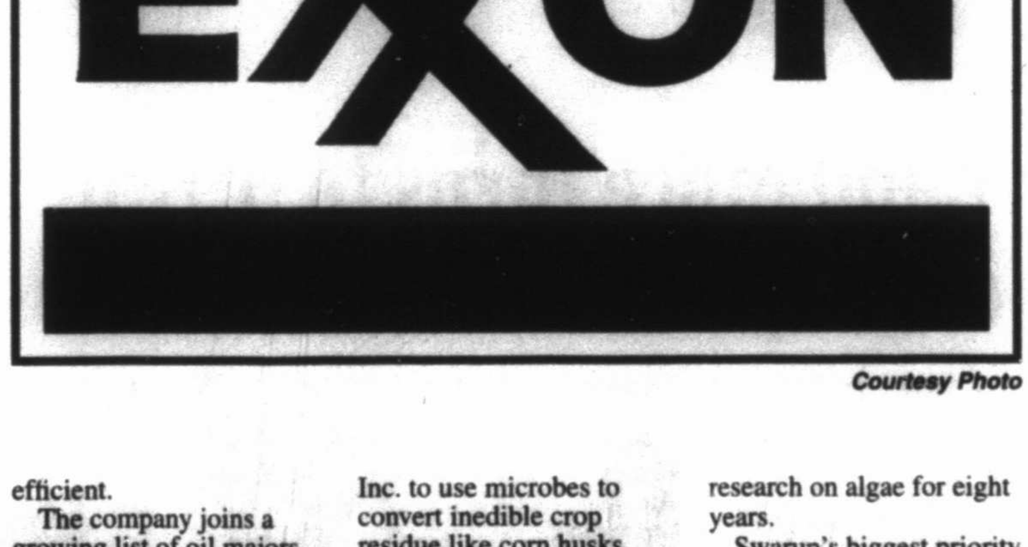
A violent upheaval in Saudi Arabia would send shock waves through the global energy markets, endangering 10 percent of the world's daily oil production. In a power Saudi struggle, taking control of the oil fields and the revenues they produce would be the first priority.

If Salman succeeds in consolidating power and liberalizing both Saudi society and the economy to make the kingdom a modern country, he would be the most important ruler since his great grandfather Kind Saud established the country.

But if he triggers the internecine tribal warfare that Saud sought to prevent by dividing power between different branches of the family, Saudi could descend into chaos and take global oil markets with it.

Exxon quietly researching hundreds of green projects

By Anna Hirtenstein
Bloomberg



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One of the world's biggest oil companies is working on hundreds of low-carbon energy projects, from algae engineered to bloom into biofuels and cells that turn emissions into electricity.

The work by ExxonMobil Corp. includes research on environmentally-friendly technologies in five to 10 key areas, according to Vice President of Research and Development Vijay Swarup. While any commercial breakthrough is at least a decade away, Exxon's support for clean energy suggests the world's most valuable publicly-traded oil company is looking toward the possibility of a future where fossil fuels are less dominant.

While Exxon has discussed some of its research before and runs advertisements about its work in algae, the remarks from Swarup are the first indication of the breadth of the oil company's interests in alternative energies. It's part of the $1 billion a year Exxon spends on research worldwide and the $8 billion it has spent since 2000 researching, developing and deploying low-carbon technologies.

"These areas are massively challenging, and if we can solve those, they will have huge impacts on our business," said Swarup in a phone interview. "We bring more than money. We bring the science, the commitment to research."

Exxon didn't disclose the exact amount it's spending on the green technologies. The broader investments it has made since the beginning of the century also include things like managing methane emissions from oil wells, on co-generation and on making its plants more efficient.

The company joins a growing list of oil majors hedging against the wider adoption of renewables, which could displace some 8 million barrels of crude demand a day, according to Bloomberg New Energy Finance. Some companies, like France's Total SA, have made acquisitions to enter the business. Others, like Royal Dutch Shell Plc, are using experiences from running offshore rigs to develop wind farms in the North Sea.

Based in Irving, Exxon said its approach is different because its focusing on science, Swarup said. It has joined with about 80 universities and is collaborating with smaller companies on research.

Projects it's working on include:

■ **Algae biofuels:** Exxon is planning to harvest algae in ponds or oceans around the world and process it into a biofuel for regional distribution. Swarup expects that it will first be blended with diesel and jet fuel, but the goal is to eventually sell a 100 percent algae-derived fuel.

■ **Biodiesel made from agricultural waste:** The company is working with Renewable Energy Group Inc. to use microbes to convert inedible crop residue like corn husks into biofuels. The two companies began their collaboration in 2016 and recently extended their joint research program.

■ **Carbonate fuel cells:** Most fuel cells generate electricity by reacting chemically with natural gas or hydrogen. These ones use carbon dioxide. Exxon and FuelCell Energy Inc. are researching how the devices can be used in carbon capture and storage and to generate electricity at the same time. It's building a pilot plant within a few months and is working on the engineering of the facility now.

■ Process intensification: Exxon is working with Georgia Institute of Technology to develop a more efficient way of refining crude oil into plastic. It involves using a membrane and osmosis rather than heat. Exxon is targeting carbon dioxide emission reductions by as much as half with the process.

"We are still 10 plus years away" for both the algae biofuels and carbonate fuel cells to be deployed at scale, according to Swarup, who said the company's been focusing research on algae for eight years.

Swarup's biggest priority is finding and developing projects that can be scaled to Exxon's global reach. The company operates on six continents and had revenues of $198 billion last year, bigger than the combined economies of Qatar and Kuwait, two members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

"The common denominator when we're looking at from a research standpoint is that we understand our role as a corporation and that is scalable solutions," Swarup said.

"Oil and gas companies tend to consider other elements of an investment beyond just the short-term revenue potential," said Rick Wheatley, executive vice president of new growth at Xynteo Ltd., a consultancy that advises Shell, Statoil and Eni on sustainability and long-term planning. "They may be more likely to see technologies as pieces that can be combined into larger products or solutions and therefore have higher tolerance for early stage and experimental ideas."

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MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	$52.75	Shell Trading	$53.40
Energy Transfer Partners*	$53.00	Nymex futures	$56.31*
Flint Hills Resources*	$53.25	*Net price without transportation charge	
Phillips 66	$53.43		
Plains*	$53.25	Note: Posted prices as of Nov. 8	

Mexico's fuel thirst sets up refiners for big year

By Laura Blewitt
Bloomberg

U.S. refiners are setting up for the strongest end-of-year they've ever had, and it's all thanks to Mexico.

Nationwide gross oil refinery inputs will rise above 17 million barrels a day before the year ends, according to Energy Aspects, even amid a busy maintenance season and interruptions at plants in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico that were clobbered by Hurricane Harvey in the third quarter.

"We're going to hit very high runs in the next two months," Robert Campbell, head of research at Energy Aspects, said by phone. "The balance looks quite bullish. Can the U.S. export it? Yeah. It will."

The chance to skip out on compliance with costly U.S. biofuels regulations by exporting fuel is a huge incentive for overseas sales. Under the Renewable Fuel Standard, refiners aren't required to buy blending credits called RINs for barrels that are exported. Mexico has potential to demand 600,000 barrels a day of gasoline imports as its own refineries limp.

America's southern neighbor has continued to be its best customer as its own fuel factories suffer from inefficiencies and breakdowns -- in September Mexico's crude processing fell to the lowest since December 1990, or about 33 percent of its total national operating capacity.

Bullish fundamentals have supported refiners throughout the year. The Bloomberg Intelligence North America refining index is up 73 percent over the past year.

Needs more fuel

Petroleos Mexicanos came knocking on the Gulf Coast's door for more supplies early this week. As full operations at its largest refinery, Salina Cruz, aren't expected until year-end, and its Cadereyta and Minatitlan plants are also in turnaround, at least seven ships capable of hauling 2.1 million barrels of fuel were provisionally booked to load gasoline and diesel through Nov. 16.

As of last week, total U.S. gasoline stockpiles were about 5 percent lower than the same time last year, and have fallen below the five-year seasonal average. But that's no reason for Gulf Coast refiners to hold back, according to Campbell.

"The U.S. is down 20 million barrels since Hurricane Harvey," he said, however those draws are showing up in the Midcontinent and East Coast regions. "The capacity is there to supply these markets."

U.S. gasoline exports rose to a record 936,000 barrels a day last December as Pemex scrambled to buy fuel before its historic energy reform introduced increases in retail prices at the pump. The shock of higher fuel prices sent Mexico's consumers into hysterics and protesters lined the streets to decry the so-called "gasolinazo."

RIN factor

U.S. refiners can benefit from avoiding the obligation to blend its petroleum-based fuels with biofuels.

The credits for 2017 compliance rose more than 200 percent since the first quarter after President Donald Trump's perceived promise of relief faded, according to Starfuels Inc. pricing data compiled by Bloomberg. Federal investigators issued subpoenas on the program's loudest critic, billionaire investor Carl Icahn, last week seeking information on his efforts to change the policy.

"As long as the price is right, Gulf Coast refiners will favor gasoline exports to Mexico over marginal domestic sales," said Sandy Fielden, director of research and commodities for Morningstar Inc in Austin. "That's because exports don't attract RINs and the volumes are needed to keep refinery throughput at profitable levels.

Alaska signs gas pipeline project deal with China

Associated Press

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — The state of Alaska took a major step toward realizing a long-sought pipeline to move natural gas from the North Slope to Asia, siding with interests from China after major oil companies stepped back from the project.

The agreement Alaska Gov. Bill Walker signed Thursday in Beijing with Sinopec, China Investment Corp. and the Bank of China does not guarantee a pipeline will be built, but it gives the lingering liquefied natural gas project a jolt of life.

"This is the market responding, and we're very, very pleased with that," Walker told reporters in a teleconference from Beijing. The agreement was signed as both U.S. President Donald Trump and Chinese President Xi Jinping watched. No financial terms were released, but it's been estimated that the project could cost $43 billion.

The agreement means all parties will work on various aspects of the project, including marketing and financing with a status check in 2018. The goal, Walker said, is to have definitive contracts signed by the end of 2018. Construction would start the following year, with the goal to have the pipeline operational by 2024 or 2025.

Representatives of Sinopec and the Bank of China toured operations on the North Slope and visited facilities in Anchorage before making their decision, which had to be approved by the Chinese government.

"This has been a long courtship with these folks," said Keith Meyer, the president of the Alaska Gasline Development Corp., the state-sponsored entity advancing the project.

Negotiations began in May, he said.

In the agreement, Sinopec would be the customer buying the gas, the bank would be the lender for Sinopec and China Investment Corp. would be an investor if there were to be an equity investment in the project. The Alaska corporation would retain majority ownership, Meyer, said.

About 75 percent of the LNG would go to China, with Alaska retaining 25 percent for other regional markets in Asia, including Japan, South Korea and Vietnam.

"I look forward to seeing the details, but at first glance, this joint development agreement is very encouraging for the thousands of Alaskans who never lost hope that a natural gas pipeline could one day become a reality," Alaska House Speaker Bryce Edgmon, a Democrat, said in a statement. "A pipeline project will bring jobs, investment, and, perhaps most importantly, a renewed sense of hope that Alaska's best days are ahead of us, not behind."

The pipeline as envisioned would rival the famed trans-Alaska oil pipeline, a major building project of a generation ago.

The natural gas pipeline is intended to tap into the rich natural gas reserves on the North Slope. Similar in length to the oil pipeline, it would transport the gas 800 miles to the coast on the Kenai Peninsula, where it would be liquefied and shipped to Asia.

Such a pipeline has been a dream for Alaskans for years, seen as a way to provide economic certainty as oil production from the North Slope declines.

Estimates have put proven gas reserves on the North Slope overall at 35 trillion cubic feet. Alaska could provide a generation's worth of liquefied natural gas to China, Walker told the Chinese president when Xi stopped in Anchorage on a layover in April.

Millions have been spent a pipeline project, which has been marred in recent years by changes in direction, waning interest among state legislators and low natural gas prices.

The state took lead on the project with the blessing of major oil companies, who plan to provide gas to the project from their leased North Slope fields but focused priorities elsewhere. Walker has said this would be a make-or-break year for the proposed project, and he's been working to secure commitments from countries in Asia to buy the gas or be partners in the project.

The state opened an office in Tokyo to help market its gas, and Walker himself has traveled abroad looking for commitments.

This comes on the heels of a June announcement that the state-owned Alaska Gasline Development Corp. signed an agreement with the Korea Gas Corp., establishing a cooperative framework for the development of Alaska's natural gas infrastructure.

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Instructor: David M. Orchard
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Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr Robert C. Trentham, Ron Wackowski, Russell K. Hall, George Koperna
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4 Day ROZ and CO2 School – Day 1 Only
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr Robert C. Trentham, Ron Wackowski, Russell K. Hall, George Koperna
Start Date: January 23, 2018 – Tuesday – 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $550; Out of State $575

4 Day ROZ and CO2 School – Day 2 Only
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr Robert C. Trentham, Ron Wackowski, Russell K. Hall, George

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Texas RRCD 8

Ector County

Novo Oil & Gas Texas LLC Cowden #601H Wildcat-Horizontal; 467 fnl, 447 fwl, Sec 6, Blk 43, T-2-S, Abst. 584, T&P RR, 10.41 nw Odessa; TD 11400; API #42-135-43552 Permit issued 11/3

Glasscock County

XTO Energy Inc. Zant #3827SH Wildcat-Horizontal; 1604 fel, 6968 fsl, Sec 2, Blk 36, T-3-S, Abst. 919, T&P RR, 15.5 nw Garden City; TD 10450; API #42-173-37744 Permit issued 10/26

Martin County

Lario Oil & Gas Company Fortune 500 #101WB Wildcat-Horizontal; 262 fnl, 748 fel, Sec 44, Blk 36, T-2-N, Abst. 1090, T&P RR, 2 sw Lenorah; TD 10700; API #42-317-41071 Permit issued 11/1

Reeves County

Cimarex Energy Co. Jobe 70-20 #2H Wildcat-Horizontal; 589 fsl, 2015 fel, Sec 20, Blk 70, Abst. 4999, PSL, 5.3 nw Toyah; TD 15500; API #42-389-36499 Permit issued 11/1

New Mexico

Lea County

OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Super Fee WCA #1 Wildcat; Sec 25 T24S R34E; 433/S & 1930/W; 1 mi E Ochoa; Rot 17334 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44029

OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Super Fee WCA #2 Wildcat; Sec 25 T24S R34E; 434/S & 2030/W; 1 mi E Ochoa; Rot 17336 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44030

OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Super Fee WCXY #1 Wildcat; Sec 25 T234S R34E; 434/S & 1980/W; 1 mi E Ochoa; Rot 16907 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44031

Marathon Oil Permian LLC Abe St #1 Wildcat; Sec 32 T21S R33E; 240/N & 1980/E; 11 1/2 mi SE Halfway; Rot 11159 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44043

EOG Resources Inc. Mamba 30 St Com #101 Wildcat; Sec 30 T24S R33E; 597/N & 296/E; 10 mi W Ochoa; Rot 14076 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44049

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EOG Resources Inc. Mamba 30 St Com #741 Wildcat; Sec 30 T24S R33E; 251/S & 580/E; 10 mi W Ochoa; Rot 17871 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44058

OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Chambers Bay WCA State #1 Wildcat; Sec 36 T24S R35E; 2640/S & 1345/E; 1 mi SE Ochoa; Rot 19310 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44034

EOG Resources Inc. Nautilus 16 Federal Com #703 Wildcat; Sec 23 T26S R33E; 200/S & 1595/E; 12 1/2 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 22574 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44075

EOG Resources Inc. Nautilus 16 Fed #709 Wildcat; Sec 16 T26S R34E; 280/S & 935/E; 10 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 20240 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44076

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Texas RRCD 7C

Crockett County

Occidental Permian Ltd. South Cross Unit #279 Crossett South (Detrital); 287 fnwl, 2101 fnel, Sec 70, Blk 35, Abst. 4936, H&TC RR, 4.5 sw McCamey; TD 5800; API #42-105-42437 Permit issued 10/31

Irion County

Foreland Operating LLC Munson C #2801H Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 330 fwl, 7961 fsl, Sec 28, Abst. 1219, WC RR, 4.7 nw Barnhart; TD 9000; API #42-235-36224 Permit issued 11/3

Foreland Operating LLC Munson C #2802H Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 400 fwl, 7687 fnl, Sec 28, Abst. 1219, WC RR, 4.79 nw Barnhart; TD 9000; API #42-235-36225 Permit issued 11/3

Reagan County

Callon Petroleum Operating Co. Ham A1 #101LH Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 530 fsl, 2230 fel, Sec 6, Blk M, Abst. 740, TC RR, 19.96 nw Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40048 Permit issued 11/3

Parsley Energy Operations LLC Taylor "45-33" #4407H Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 2165 fsl, 2456 fwl, Sec 45, Blk B, Abst. 305, L&SV RR, 22.8 nw Big Lake; TD 9270; API #42-383-40043 Permit issued 11/1

RP Operating LLC Cider B 226 #1WB Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 175 fnl, 330 fel, Sec 226, Blk 1, Abst. 199, T&P RR, 3.2 ne Big Lake; TD 9800; API #42-383-40046 Permit issued 10/31

SEM Operating Company LLC University 9 # 2922WB Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 7393 fnl, 5468 fel, Sec 28, Blk 9, Abst. 198U, ULS, 9 nw Big Lake; TD 10000; API #42-383-40049 Permit issued 11/3

Tom Green County

Independence Resources Management LLC Pfluger D 4 #2WA Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 4643 fsl, 3826 fwl, Sec 24, Blk A, Abst. 6527, TC RR, 24.9 sw Sterling City; TD 11000; API #42-451-32869 Permit issued 11/2

Maverick Operating LLC Flying –B- Ranch #4 Garden City South (Wolfcamp); 215 fel, 2434 fnl, Sec 87, Blk 6, Abst. 1012, H&TC RR, 19 sw Water Valley; TD 7000; API #42-451-32868 Permit issued 11/1

Upton County

COG Operating LLC Windham B3 #3008SH Pegasus (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 365 fnl, 1087 fel, Sec 45, Blk 40, T-4-S, Abst. 450, T&P RR, 29.6 nw Rankin; TD 11000; API #42-461-40705 Permit issued 11/1

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Parsley Energy Operations LLC Shackelford 7 #4315H Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 285 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 7, Blk 38, T-5-S, Abst. 400, T&P RR, 28.1 n Rankin; TD 9700; API #42-461-40707 Permit issued 11/3

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Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc. Ray Reed 32 #116H Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 156 fsl, 1374 fel, Sec 32, Blk 38, T-5-S, Abst. 758, T&P RR, 4.5 sw Midkiff; TD 10665; API #42-461-40711 Permit issued 11/3

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc. Ray Reed 32 #117H Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 156 fsl, 1354 fel, Sec 32, Blk 38, T-5-S, Abst. 758, T&P RR, 4.5 sw Midkiff; TD 10665; API #42-461-40712 Permit issued 11/3

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc. Ray Reed 32 #118H Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 156 fsl, 1334 fel, Sec 32, Blk 38, T-5-S, Abst. 758, T&P RR, 4.5 sw Midkiff; TD 10665; API #42-461-40713 Permit issued 11/3

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Culberson County

ConocoPhillips Company Hold Em WC #2202H Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 977 fnl, 300 fwl, Sec 27, Blk 58, T-1, Abst. 2651, T&P RR, 11.9 nw Orla; TD 10000; API #42-109-33222 Permit issued 11/2

ConocoPhillips Company Hold Em WC #2203H Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1010 fnl, 300 fwl, Sec 27, Blk 58, T-1, Abst. 2651, T&P RR, 11.9 nw Orla; TD 10000; API #42-109-33223 Permit issued 11/2

Glasscock County

Laredo Petroleum Inc. Fuchs G 46-34 (Alloc-A) 31NU Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2855 fsl, 745 fwl, Sec 46, Blk 34, T-5-S, Abst. 1131, T&P RR, 12.6 s Garden City; TD 9000; API #42-173-37736 Permit issued 11/1

XTO Energy Inc. Zant #3828SH Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1047 fel, 7096 fsl, Sec 2, Blk 36, T-3-S, Abst. 919, T&P RR, 15.52 nw Garden City; TD 8150; API #42-173-

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Petroleum Professional Development Center

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Koperna
Start Date: January 24, 2018 – Wednesday – 8:15 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $550; Out of State $575

4 Day ROZ and CO2 School – Day 3 Only (Field Trip Included)
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr. Robert C. Trentham, Ron Wackowski, Russell K. Hall, George Koperna
Start Date: January 25, 2018 – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $575; Out of State $600

4 Day ROZ and CO2 School – Day 4 Only
Instructors: Steve Melzer, Dr. Robert C. Trentham, Ron Wackowski, Russell K. Hall, George Koperna
Start Date: January 26, 2018 – Friday – 8:15 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $550; Out of State $575

Petra Fundamentals
Instructor: Greg Hinterlong
Start Date: January 23-24, 2018 – Tuesday - Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $625; Out of State $650

Valuation of Upstream Oil & Gas Properties
Instructors: Edwin C. Moritz & Dr. Mark Cronshaw
Start Date: January 24-25, 2018 – Wednesday – Thursday – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1250; Out of State $1275

Well Control Drilling/Workover (WellSharp)
Instructor: Larry Chapman
Start Date: January 29 – February 2, 2018 – Monday – Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1200; Out of State $1225

On-Line Division Order Certificate Program: Module 5 of 6: Oil & Gas Law
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: February 2 – February 27, 2018 Registration Deadline: Noon, Feb 2, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50 - the required text is the NADOA Study Guide, which is $75 (one-time charge). Students need to join NADOA for $75 to download the "no cost" manual only available to members.

On-Line Land Management Certificate Program: Module 5 of 6: Title: Legally Enforceable Oil & Gas Contracts
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: February 2 – February 27, 2018 Registration Deadline: Noon, Feb 2, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50

SQL: Application to Oil/Gas Relational Database
Instructor: Celia Houston
Start Date: February 6, 2018 - Tuesday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Cost: $375; Out of State: $400

Introduction to Log Interpretation and Quality
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
Start Date: February 12 – 14, 2018 – Monday – Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1095; Out of State: $1020

PHDWin
Instructor: Celia Houston
Start Date: February 13 – 14, 2018 – Tuesday – Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Cost: $625; Out of State: $650

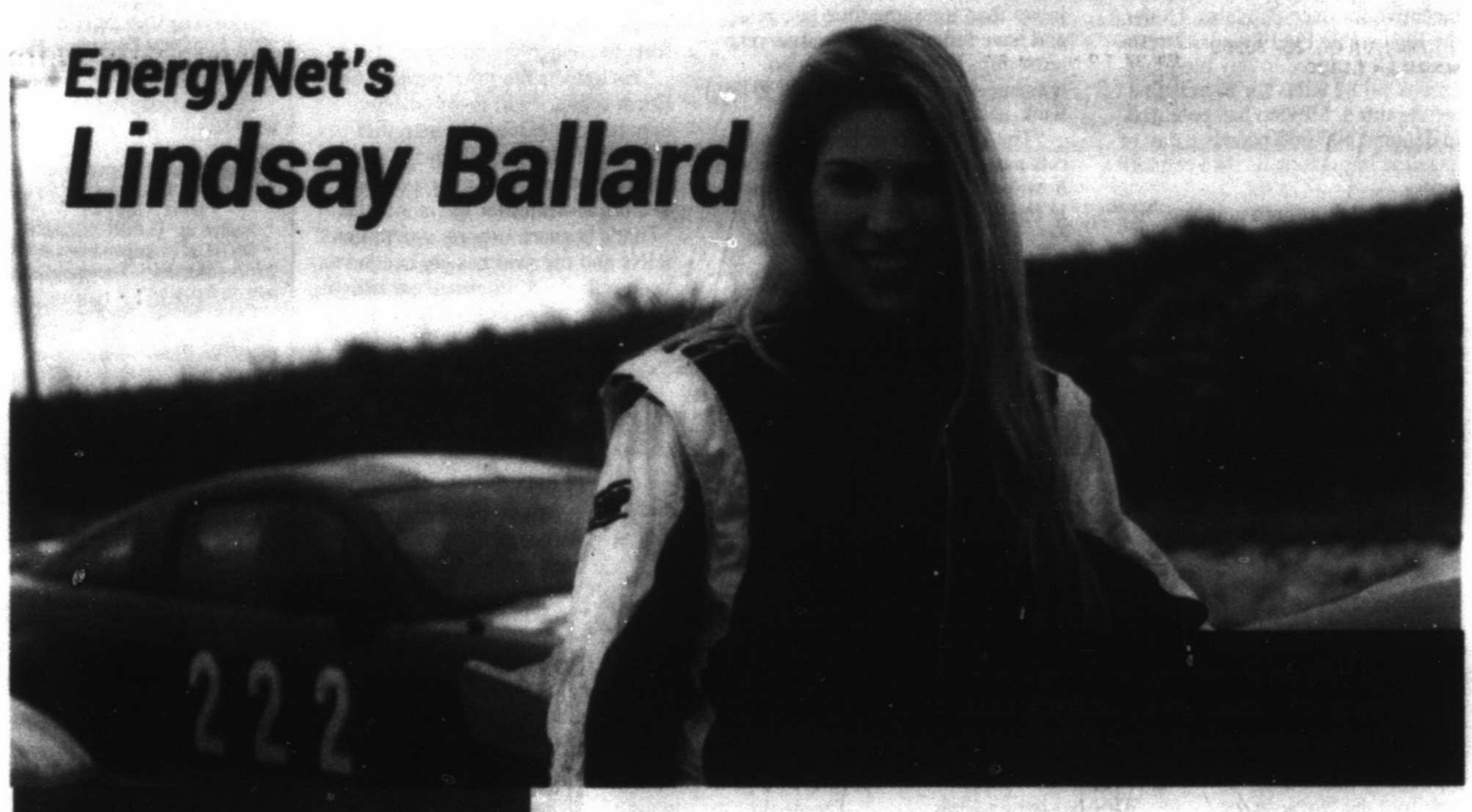
Introduction to Well Completion
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
Start Date: February 15-16, 2018 – Thursday - Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $720; Out of State: $745

Optimizing Oilfield Systems Using Spreadsheet Models
Instructor: Peter L. Galusky, Jr., Ph.D., P.E.
Start Date: February 12, 2018 – Monday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $350, Out of State $375

Professional Technical Sales
Instructor: Paul Hughes
Start Date: February 16, 2018 – Friday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $250; Out of State: $275

New Course: Gas Lift Design and Operation
Instructor: Mike Johnson
Start Date: February 19 - 22 – Monday – Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1800, Out of State $1825

New Course: An Overview of Multistage Completion Systems for Hydraulic Fracturing
Instructor: W. Aaron Burton
Start Date: February 20, 2018 – Tuesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $575; Out of State $600



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Howard County

Diamondback E&P LLC
Lilly 49 Unit #2WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 590 fnl, 270 fnl, Sec 49, Blk A, Abst. 593, Bauer & Cockrell, 14.4 nw Big Spring; TD 9155; API #42-227-39339 Permit issued 11/2

Diamondback E&P LLC
Lilly 49 Unit #1LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 530 fel, 270 fnl, Sec 49, Blk A, Abst. 593, Bauer & Cockrell, 14.4 nw Big Spring; TD 8850; API #42-227-39340 Permit issued 11/2

Diamondback E&P LLC
Lilly 49 Unit #1WB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 560 fel, 270 fnl, Sec 49, Blk A, Abst. 593, Bauer & Cockrell, 14.4 nw Big Spring; TD 9400; API #42-227-39341 Permit issued 11/2

Diamondback E&P LLC
Lilly 49 Unit #1WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 500 fel, 270 fnl, Sec 49, Blk A, Abst. 593, Bauer & Cockrell, 14.4 nw Big Spring; TD 9155; API #42-227-39342 Permit issued 11/2

Diamondback E&P LLC
Reed 1 C #2LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1305 fwl, 255 fnl, Sec 1, Blk 34, T-2-N, Abst. 396, T&P RR, 17.09 nw Big Spring; TD 8970; API #42-227-39290 Permit issued 11/3

Diamondback E&P LLC
Reed 1 D #3WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1308 fel, 255 fnl, Sec 1, Blk 34, T-2-N, Abst. 396, T&P RR, 17.09 nw Big Spring; TD 9275; API #42-227-39291 Permit issued 11/3

Diamondback E&P LLC
Reed 1 E #3LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1278 fel, 255 fnl, Sec 1, Blk 34, T-2-N, Abst. 396, T&P RR, 17.09 nw Big Spring; TD 8970; API #42-227-39292 Permit issued 11/3

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Newton 43B #3HD
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 418 fnl, 773 fwl, Sec 43, Blk 32, T-2-N, Abst. 284, T&P RR, 8.37 nw Big Spring; TD 8900; API #42-227-39267 Permit issued 11/3

SM Energy Company
Shooter McGavin A #2644WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 455 fnl, 2458 fel, Sec 36, Blk 32, T-2-N, Abst. 1060, T&P RR, 10.7 e Knott; TD 10000; API #42-227-39352 Permit issued 10/30

SM Energy Company
Shooter McGavin B #2645WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 455 fnl, 188 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 32, T-2-N, Abst. 1060, T&P RR, 10.7 e Knott; TD 10000; API #42-227-39355 Permit issued 11/2

Loving County

Ameredev Operating LLC
Boyd 11 #1WA
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 200 fnwl, 380 fnel, Sec 10, Blk C-24, Abst. 1250, PSL, 22.8 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33688 Permit issued 10/30

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Cottonwood 55-1-14 Unit #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 395 fsl, 860 fel, Sec 14, Blk 55, T-1, Abst. 1156, T&P RR, 18.98 nw Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33722 Permit issued 11/1

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Blacktip 1-42 Unit #10H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 385 fswl, 2275 fsel, Sec 42, Blk 1, Abst. 1101, W&NW RR, 8.1 se Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33725 Permit issued 11/3

EOG Resources Inc.
State Viking E #20H
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 233 fnl, 1006 fel, Sec 16, Blk 54, T-1, Abst. 942, T&P RR, 17.5 nw Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33726 Permit issued 11/3

EOG Resources Inc.
State Viking E #21H
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 233 fnl, 973 fel, Sec 16, Blk 54, T-1, Abst. 942, T&P RR, 17.5 nw Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33727 Permit issued 11/3

EOG Resources Inc.
State Viking E #22H
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 233 fnl, 940 fel, Sec 16, Blk 54, T-1, Abst. 942, T&P RR, 17.5 nw Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33728 Permit issued 11/3

RSP Permian LLC
Ludeman I WC #1413H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 738 fsl, 258 fwl, Sec 14, Blk C-25, Abst. 1210, PSL, 19 ne Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-301-33714 Permit issued 11/1

RSP Permian LLC
Brunson C26-13 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 380 fsl, 346 fwl, Sec 12, Blk C-26, Abst. 1013, PSL, 16 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33724 Permit issued 11/2

RSP Permian LLC
Rudd Draw 26-3 #6H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 400 fnl, 1595 fwl, Sec 2, Blk C-25, Abst. 1036, PSL, 14 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33723 Permit issued 11/3

Martin County

Guidon Energy Management Services LLC
Holt Ranch 3-13 (Alloc-3SH) #5LL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 636 fel, 375 fsl, Sec 256, Abst. 595, Briscoe CSL, 12.02 nw Tarzan; TD 10500; API #42-317-41076 Permit issued 11/1

Guidon Energy Management Services LLC
Holt Ranch 3-13 (Alloc-3SH) #7UL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 636 fel, 325 fsl, Sec 256, Abst. 595, Briscoe CSL, 12.02 nw Tarzan; TD 10500; API #42-317-41079 Permit issued 11/1

Guidon Energy Management Services LLC
Holt Ranch 3-13 (Alloc-4SH) #8LL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 636 fel, 300 fsl, Sec 256, Abst. 595, Briscoe CSL, 12.02 nw Tarzan; TD 10500; API #42-317-41077 Permit issued 11/1

Guidon Energy Management Services LLC
Holt Ranch 3-13 (Alloc-4SH) #6UL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 636 fel, 350 fsl, Sec 256, Abst. 595, Briscoe CSL, 12.02 nw Tarzan; TD 10500; API #42-317-41080 Permit issued 11/1

QEP Energy Company
Kingsfield A #02JM
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2361 fnl, 325 fel, Sec 2, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 875, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 8950; API #42-317-41081 Permit issued 10/31

QEP Energy Company
Kingsfield A #02WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 283 fsl, 325 fel, Sec 2, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 875, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9500; API #42-317-41082 Permit issued 10/31

QEP Energy Company
Kingsfield A #03MB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 333 fsl, 325 fel, Sec 2, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 875, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 8400; API #42-317-41083 Permit issued 10/31

QEP Energy Company
Kingsfield A #03BU
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 258 fsl, 325 fel, Sec 2, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 875, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9750; API #42-317-41084 Permit issued 10/31

QEP Energy Company
Kingsfield A #03SA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 277 fsl, 715 fel, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 8900; API #42-317-41085 Permit issued 10/31

QEP Energy Company
Kingsfield B #04WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 227 fsl, 715 fel, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9500; API #42-317-41086 Permit issued 10/31

QEP Energy Company
Kingsfield B #04BL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 252 fel, 715 fel, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9600; API #42-317-41087 Permit issued 11/2

QEP Energy Company
Kingsfield B #04LB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 302 fsl, 715 fel, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 8700; API #42-317-41088 Permit issued 11/2

RSP Permian LLC
Johnson Ranch #9181H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7513.3 fnl, 3847.4 fwl, Sec 9, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 302, T&P RR, 21.5 nw Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41095 Permit issued 11/1

RSP Permian LLC
Johnson Ranch #9182H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7513.3 fnl, 3887.4 fwl, Sec 9, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 302, T&P RR, 21.5 nw Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41096 Permit issued 11/1

RSP Permian LLC
Johnson Ranch #9141H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7513.3 fnl, 4867.4 fwl, Sec 9, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 302, T&P RR, 21.5 nw Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41094 Permit issued 11/1

RSP Permian LLC
Johnson Ranch #9142H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 7513.4 fnl, 4927.5 fwl, Sec 9, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 302, T&P RR, 21.5 nw Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41097 Permit issued 11/2

XTO Energy Inc.
Mims 32H #3318AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 560 fel, 600 fsl, Sec 21, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. ;75, T&P RR, 3.3 ne Lenorah; TD 8800; API #42-317-41074 Permit issued 11/2

Midland County

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Genesis 7 #1
Rose Petal (Lower Mississippian); 475 fwl, 1320 fsl, Sec 7, Blk 37, Abst. 131, T&P RR, 4.8 sw Spraberry; TD 12000; API #42-329-42052 Permit issued 11/2

CrownQuest Operating LLC
Sega 7 #1
Rose Petal (Lower Mississippian); 485 fel, 950 fsl, Sec 7, Blk 37, Abst. 131, T&P RR, 4.8 sw Spraberry; TD 12000; API #42-329-42053 Permit issued 11/3

XTO Energy Inc.
John Braun C Unit 2 #0816AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1476 fel, 700 fnl, Sec 20, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 1110, T&P RR, 20.1 se Midland; TD 9645; API #42-329-42042 Permit issued 10/30

XTO Energy Inc.
John Braun C Unit 2 #0808BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 220 fel, 500 fnl, Sec 20, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 1110, T&P RR, 20.1 se Midland; TD 10020; API #42-329-42043 Permit issued 10/30

XTO Energy Inc.
TXL 27 Unit 4 #3418AH
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 280 fel, 2044 fnl, Sec 27, Blk 39, T-4-S, Abst. 231, T&P RR, 21.3 se Midland; TD 9569; API #42-329-42047 Permit issued 10/30

Pecos County

Black Mountain Oil & Gas II LLC
Atticus 45 #1
Wolfbone (Trend Area); 340 fnl, 340 fel, Sec 45, Blk 48, T-9, Abst. 920, T&P RR, 15.12 nw Fort Stockton; TD 12000; API #42-371-39637 Permit issued 10/31

Diamondback E&P LLC
State Reed B 11-12 #2WA
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 270 fel, 780 fsl, Sec 10, Blk 142, Abst. 8666, T&STL RR, 14.5 se Coyanosa; TD 10755; API #42-371-39632 Permit issued 10/30

Jagged Peak Energy LLC
Whiskey River 6-8 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 290 fsl, 330 fwl, Sec 6, Blk 8, Abst. 6384, H&GN RR, 32.1 nw Fort Stockton; TD 15000; API #42-371-39586 Permit issued 11/1

Reeves County

COG Operating LLC
Left Hand Bull #8901H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 390 fsel, 282 fel, Sec 189, Blk 1, Abst. 1132, H&TC RR, 11.5 ne Saragosa; TD 10700; API #42-389-36336 Permit issued 11/1

COG Operating LLC
Iceman Unit #1403H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 310 fsl, 607 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 5, Abst. 4986, H&GN RR, 3.18 se Pecos; TD 10800; API #42-389-36502 Permit issued 11/2

COG Operating LLC
Iceman Unit #1452H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 310 fsl, 652 fwl, Sec 14, Blk 5, Abst. 4986, H&GN RR, 3.18 se Pecos; TD 10500; API #42-389-36503 Permit issued 11/3

COG Operating LLC
Uncompaghre State Unit #9702H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 265 fnl, 2285 fwl, Sec 64, Blk 1, Abst. 4807, H&TC RR, 30.11 se Pecos; TD 10500; API #42-389-36501 Permit issued 11/3

NBL Permian LLC Cherry Bomb 10-9 Unit A #2HL
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 401 fwl, 75 fsl, Sec 9, Blk C-8, Abst. 1407, PSL, 15.9 sw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-36505 Permit issued 11/3

NBL Permian LLC Cherry Bomb 10-9 Unit A #3H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 401 fwl, 511 fsl, Sec 9, Blk C-8, Abst. 1407, PSL, 15.9 sw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-36506 Permit issued 11/3

Oxy USA WTP LP
Ryman 14-23-1S #15H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 737 fnl, 991 fel, Sec 14, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 1348, T&P RR, 12.2 se Pecos; TD 14000; API #42-389-36488 Permit issued 11/2

Oxy USA WTP LP
White West 30-31 #21NH
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2272 fsl, 340 fel, Sec 36, Blk 51, T-8-S, Abst. 2299, T&P RR, 23.2 s Pecos; TD 14000; API #42-389-36492 Permit issued 11/1

Oxy USA WTP LP
Yow State 38 #11H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 767 fnl, 779 fwl, Sec 35, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 748, T&P RR, 11.7 se Pecos; TD 14000; API #42-389-36491 Permit issued 11/1

Oxy USA WTP LP
J.W. McCullough "A" Unit #12H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 768 fsl, 819 fwl, Sec 35, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 748, T&P RR, 15.3 s Pecos; TD 14000; API #42-389-36508 Permit issued 11/3

PDC Permian Inc.
Grizzly Bear 7780 4U #A 4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1640 fnel, 1405 fsel, Sec 77, Blk 4, Abst. 419, H&GN RR, 2.78 nw Lindsay; TD 11000; API #42-389-36487 Permit issued 11/2

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Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1596 fnel, 1367 fsel, Sec 77, Blk 4, Abst. 419, H&GN RR, 2.78 nw Lindsay; TD 11000; API #42-389-36485 Permit issued 11/2

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Around the oil patch

Customer service, done right

When field issues come up, you have to know whom to call *fast*. That "whom" needs to already know who you are and what your well, tank or meter history is so they can quickly get the right people headed to the right place with the right equipment.

In January of 2016 Zedi had a customer request that they offer a direct line of contact for all of their questions, problems and the ability to get answers fast. That's why they decided to have a dedicated, Customer Experience Manager (CEM for short) for each customer. Every customer gets their own personal CEM with a direct phone number. You won't hear the dreaded, "Please listen closely as our menu items have changed" recording. If you do get voicemail, you'll get a live callback, very quickly.

Maria Gonzaga helped start the team, and is who manages it now, says that customers tell her this makes their time more efficient because their CEM person is familiar with their company and their needs when they call. There's no starting from scratch with every call.

It gets better. Since no two wells are exactly alike and neither are well site problems, Zedi has empowered their CEMs to make challenging decisions on the spot. "We tell each of our CEMs, 'You are the Zedi CEO when it comes to solving customer issues,'" says Maria.

There's no waiting for a board meeting, or a chain of uphill phone calls. Your personal representative makes decisions for you very quickly, so you can move on with producing oil and gas.

And—since oilfield issues do not observe the 8-5 office time rule, neither does your Zedi CEM! They are available any time you need them.

"One of our clients has said that their Customer Experience Manager always puts a smile on their face when they talk to her," says Maria. "This is exactly why we do things this way." Every CEM goes out of there way to make sure every Zedi customer gets what they need, when they need it, and how they want it.

Software, automation, measurement, labs, artificial lift, or any other field solution—is available with one phone call to a familiar and trusted Zedi person, whose goal is to become part of your trusted solutions team.

Are you ready for a better customer service experience? Call this week to put Zedi's CEM team to work for your company.

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Grizzly Bear 7780 3U #A 3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1645 fnel, 1375 fsel, Sec 77, Blk 4, Abst. 419, H&GN RR, 2.78 nw Lindsay; TD 11000; API #42-389-36484 Permit issued 11/3

PDC Permian Inc.
Grizzly West 77 #C 2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1786 fnel, 693 fsel, Sec 77, Blk 4, Abst. 419, H&GN RR, 2.67 nw Lindsay; TD 11000; API #42-389-36444 Permit issued 11/3

Primexx Operating Corporation
Terlingua Unit 15-17 #1H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 330 fwl, 330 fnl, Sec 17, Blk C-10, Abst. 5124, PSL, 18.6 sw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-36489 Permit issued 10/30

Primexx Operating Corporation
Medinaa Unit 15-17 #1H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 332 fel, 200 fnl, Sec 17, Blk C-10, Abst. 5124, PSL, 18.2 sw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-36494 Permit issued 10/30

Resolute Natural Resources Co. LLC
South Elephant Wolfcamp Unit #U 02H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 349 fswl, 1247 fnwl, Sec 10, Blk 2, Abst. 4343, H&GN RR, 12.91 se Orla; TD 11300; API #42-389-36497 Permit issued 10/31

Resolute Natural Resources Co. LLC
South Elephant Wolfcamp Unit #B104SL
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 349 fswl, 1287 fnwl, Sec 10, Blk 2, Abst. 4343, H&GN RR, 12.91 se Orla; TD 11700; API #42-389-36498 Permit issued 10/31

Resolute Natural Resources Co. LLC
South Elephant Wolfcamp Unit #L 03H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 349 fswl, 1267 fnwl, Sec 10, Blk 2, Abst. 4343, H&GN RR, 12.91 se Orla; TD 11300; API #42-389-36495 Permit issued 11/1

Ward County

Cimarex Energy Co.
Davis 33-19 WC Unit #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 318 fnel, 750 fsel, Sec 19, Blk 33, Abst. 154, H&TC RR, 10 sw Pyote; TD 11925; API #42-475-37333 Permit issued 10/31

COG Operating LLC
Whatcha Want Unit #7302H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 225 fnel, 821 fsel, Sec 173, Blk 34, Abst. 264, H&TC RR, 1.6 ne Barstow; TD 11100; API #42-475-37359 Permit issued 11/2

Halcon Operating Co. Inc.
Sealy Ranch #6401H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 6645 fswl, 15585 fsel, Sec 64, Blk F, Abst. 32, G&MMB&A, 6.1 nw Wickett; TD 13000; API #42-475-37347 Permit issued 10/30

Jagged Peak Energy LLC
Venom 6261D-34 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 2160 fnel, 1070 fsel, Sec 62, Blk 34, Abst. 701, H&TC RR, 15.5 sw Monahans; TD 15000; API #42-475-37356 Permit issued 10/30

Olifant Energy LLC
Olifant University 25-18 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 50 fnl, 380 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 18, Abst. 104U, ULS, 11.81 sw Wink; TD 12526; API #42-475-37358 Permit issued 10/30

Winkler County

Blackbeard Operating LLC
M.J. Bashara Unit #102
Keystone (Consolidated); 990 fsl, 876 fel, Sec 17, Blk B-3, Abst. 546, PSL, 1.7 n Kermit; TD 6500; API #42-495-33947 Permit issued 10/30

Blackbeard Operating LLC
M.J. Bashara Unit #103
Keystone (Consolidated); 861 fnl, 336 fwl, Sec 17, Blk B-3, Abst. 1694, PSL, 1.9 n Kermit; TD 6500; API #42-495-33948 Permit issued 10/30

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Sealy Smith Foundation –A- #108
Monahans North (Clearfork); 4623 fsl, 3322 fwl, Sec 53, Blk A, Abst. 45, G&MMB&A, 7.9 n Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-33953 Permit issued 11/2

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Sealy Smith Foundation –A- #109
Monahans North (Clearfork); 3303 fsl, 3322 fwl, Sec 53, Blk A, Abst. 45, G&MMB&A, 7.7 n Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-33955 Permit issued 10/30

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Sealy Smith Foundation –A- #110
Monahans North (Clearfork); 4623 fsl, 2002 fwl, Sec 53, Blk A, Abst. 45, G&MMB&A, 7.9 n Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-33956 Permit issued 10/30

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Sealy Smith Foundation –A- #111
Monahans North (Clearfork); 3303 fsl, 2002 fwl, Sec 53, Blk A, Abst. 45, G&MMB&A, 7.7 n Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-33957 Permit issued 10/30

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Sealy Smith Foundation –A- #112
Monahans North (Clearfork); 5945 fnl, 1980 fel, Sec 49, Blk A, Abst. 40, G&MMB&A, 9 n Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-33958 Permit issued 10/30

Blackbeard Operating LLC
East Keystone (San A Holt) Unit #1
Keystone (Consolidated); 661 fsl, 2323 fel, Sec 13, Blk B-2, Abst. 1644, PSL, 7.6 ne Kermit; TD 8000; API #42-495-33963 Permit issued 11/2

Champion Lone Star Operating LLC
CLS Walton #0619SW
Kermit; 1221 fwl, 3864 fnl, Sec 19, Blk 74, Abst. 1842, PSL, 6.7 nw Kermit; TD 3700; API #42-495-33959 Permit issued 11/1

Champion Lone Star Operating LLC
CLS Walton #1601NE
Kermit; 35 fel, 2565 fsl, Sec 1, Blk 26, Abst. 1839, PSL, 4.8 nw Kermit; TD 3700; API #42-495-33961 Permit issued 11/3

Forge Energy LLC
UL 21 Yellowtail #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 467 fel, 200 fnl, Sec 29, Blk 21, Abst. 69U, ULS, 5.8 sw Wink; TD 12500; API #42-495-33952 Permit issued 10/30

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
G.W. O'Brien et al #2017
Wagon Wheel (Pennsylvanian); 2013 fel, 3289 fnl, Sec 10, Blk F, Abst. L82, G&MMB&A, 8.81 se Wink; TD 12000; API #42-495-33954

Impetro Operating LLC A.G. Hill #2H Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 250 fnl, 990 fel, Sec 6, Blk 74, Abst. 521, PSL, 11 nw Kermit; TD 12400; API #42-495-33951 Permit issued 10/30

Impetro Operating LLC
Howell #1H Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 660 fwl, 250 fnl, Sec 5, Blk 74, Abst. 614, PSL, 11 nw Kermit; TD 12500; API #42-495-33964 Permit issued 11/3

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Borden County

Koch Exploration Company LLC
McLaren 28-33 #1H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1611.31 fnel, 560 fsel, Sec 33, Blk 32, T-4-N, Abst. 311, T&P RR, 11.2 sw Gail; TD 9000; API #42-033-32439 Permit issued 10/31

Crosby County

Bridwell Oil Co.
Collier -5- #4
Hoople (Clearfork); 1040 fel, 920 fsl, Sec 5, Abst. 387, D&SE RR, 15 s Ralls; TD 4500; API #42-107-32150 Permit issued 11/1

Gaines County

Adventure Operating Company LLC
Kolsch 259 #1H
Harris (San Andres)-Horizontal; 240 fel, 330 fnl, Sec 259, Blk G, Abst. 184, WT RR, 5 sw Seminole; TD 5900; API #42-165-38637 Permit issued 10/31

Ring Energy Inc. Mars #1H
Harris (San Andres)-Horizontal; 278 fsl, 999 fel, Sec 3, Blk A-22, Abst. 1207, PSL, 9 s Seminole; TD 4900; API #42-165-38569 Permit issued 11/1

Hockley County

Texland Petroleum LP
Hagrid #1H
Smyer-Horizontal; 490 fsl, 2286 fel, Sec 35, Blk A, Abst. 95, R.M. Thomson, 4.5 ne Smyer; TD 13650; API #42-219-37423

King County

Schalk Oil Company Inc.
Warren #3
Tumbleweed Northeast (Tannehill); 27 fwl, 1595 fsl, Abst. 1149, J.J. Davidson, 13.6 sw Guthrie; TD 4400; API #42-269-32972 Permit issued 10/30

Lubbock County

Texland Petroleum LP
Serenity 9 #1
Ropes East (Clearfork); 913 fnl, 1095 fwl, Sec 9, Blk D-6, Abst. 106, B&B, 10.5 w Lubbock; TD 6200; API #42-303-31612 Permit issued 11/2

Yoakum County

Wishbone Texas Operating Co. LLC
Bevo 664 SA "A" #2H
Platang (San Andres)-Horizontal; 570 fnl, 1880 fwl, Sec 709, Blk D, Abst. 497, J.H. Gibson, 11.38 sw Plains; TD 9000; API #42-501-36904 Permit issued 11/1

New Mexico

Chaves County

Mack Energy Corp. White Rock Federal #1 Round Tank; Soc 28 T15S R29E; 140/N & 555/W; 14 mi NW Loco Hills; Rot 10500 San Andres; API #30-005-64300

Mack Energy Corp. White Rock Federal #2 Round Tank; Sec 28 T15S R29E; 140/N & 1675/W; 14 mi NW Loco Hills; Rot 10500 San Andres; API #30-005-64301

Eddy County

Remnant Oil Operating LLC North Square Lake Unit #208 Undesignated; Sec 36 T16S R30E; 1650/N & 330/E; 5 mi NE Loco Hills; Rot 4560 San Andres; API #30-015-44441

Remnant Oil Operating LLC North Square Lake Unit #206 Undesignated; Sec 36 T16S R31E; 1650/N & 2310/W; 6 mi NE Loco Hills; Rot 4560 San Andres; API #30-015-44440

Remnant Oil Operating LLC North Square Lake Unit #209 Undesignated; Sec 36 T16S R31E; 990/N & 330/W; 6 mi NE Loco Hills; Rot 4640 San Andres; API #30-015-44442

Matador Production Co. Michael Collins 11 23S 27E RB #203 Purple Sage; Sec 11 T23S R27E; 2052/S & 365/E; 2 mi S Otis; Rot 14100 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44443

Mewbourne Oil Co. Pavo Frio 29/28 B2MP Fed C #1 East Palmillo; Sec 29 T18S R29E; 600/S & 185/W; 10 mi SW Loco Hills; Rot 17556 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44455

Marathon Oil Permian LLC Black River 15 10 State Com X #7 East Willow Lake; Sec 15 T24S R27E; 270/S & 2038/E; 4 1/2 mi NE Black River; Rot 17552 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44456 Oxy USA Inc. Patton MDP1 17 Federal #5 Cotton Draw; Sec 8 T24S R31E; 834/S & 1585/E; 16 mi E Malaga; Rot 15957 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44444

Oxy USA Inc. Patton MDP1 17 Federal #6 Cotton Draw; Sec 8 T24S R31E; 427/S & 177/E; 16 mi E Malaga; Rot 15371 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44445

Mewbourne Oil Co. Fuller 13/12 B2ED Fed #1 Purple Sage; Sec 13 T26S R29E; 2620/S & 500/W; 14 mi SE Malaga; Rot 16539 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44447

Mewbourne Oil Co. Fuller 14/11 B2HA Fed #1 South Corral Canyon; Sec 14 T26S R29E; 2500/S & 425/E; 14 mi SE Malaga; Rot 16592 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44449

Mewbourne Oil Co. Fuller 14/23 B2IP Fed #2 South Corral Canyon; Sec 14 T26S R29E; 2500/N & 500/E; 14 mi SE Malaga; Rot 16570 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44454

Mewbourne Oil Co. Fuller 14/11 W1ED Fed #1 Purple Sage; Sec 14 T26S R29E; 2600/N & 500/W; 14 mi SE Malaga; Rot 17739 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44448

Mewbourne Oil Co. Fuller 14/11 W1HA Fed #2 Purple Sage; Sec 14 T26S R29E; 2500/N & 470/E; 14 mi SE Malaga; Rot 18170 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44450

Mewbourne Oil Co. Fuller 14/23 W1IP Fed #1 Purple Sage; Sec 14 T26S R29E; 2500/N & 400/E; 14 mi SE Malaga; Rot 18139 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44451

Mewbourne Oil Co. Fuller 14/23 W1IP Fed #3 Purple Sage; Sec 14 T26S R29E; 2500/N & 450/E; 14 mi SE Malaga; Rot 18164 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44452

Mewbourne Oil Co. Fuller 14/23 W2IP Fed #4 Purple Sage; Sec 14 T26S R29E; 2500/N & 350/E; 14 mi SE Malaga; Rot 18999 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44453

XTO Energy Inc. Ross Draw 3031 Federal #1 Purple Sage; Sec 31 T26S R30E; 170/S & 380/W; 17 mi SE Malaga; Rot 17255 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44446

Mewbourne Oil Co. Ghostrider 25/36 WOAP Federal #2 Purple Sage; Sec 25 T23S R26E; 185/N & 500/E; 7 mi W Loving; Rot 18722 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44461

Mewbourne Oil Co. Archduke 19 W2AP Federal #1 Purple Sage; Sec 19 T24S R27E; 50/N & 330/E; 1 mi E Black River; Rot 14607 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44462

Matador Production Co. Garrett Com #215 Purple Sage; Sec 32 T24S R29E; 280/N & 570/W; 5 mi SE Malaga; Rot 14500 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44458

Oxy USA Inc. Patton MDP1 17 Federal #1 Cotton Draw; Sec 8 T24S R31E; 170/S & 846/W; 16 mi E Malaga; Rot 14837 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44459

Oxy USA Inc. Patton MDP1 17 Federal #2 Cotton Draw; Sec 8 T24S R31E; 170/S & 906/W; 16 mi E Malaga; Rot 14877 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44460

Oxy USA Inc. Palladium MDPI 7 6 Fed #3-Y East Pierce Crossing; Sec 18 T24S R31E; 169/N & 2225/W; 14 1/2 mi E Malaga; Rot 20130 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44457

Lea County

COG Operating LLC Branex-Cog Federal Com #25 West Maljamar; Sec 9 T17S R32E; 2075/S & 115/W; 1/2 mi S Maljamar; Rot 11079 Yeso; API #30-025-44004

Apache Corp. Black & Tan 27 Fed C #301 South Lea; Sec 27 T20S R34E; 220/S & 670/W; 11 mi SE Halfway; Rot 15739 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44017

Apache Corp. Black & Tan 27 Fed C #302 South Lea; Sec 27 T20S R34E; 220/S & 710/W; 11 mi SE Halfway; Rot 15667 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44018

Matador Production Co. Ranger 33 St Com #123 North Grama Ridge; Sec 33 T20S R35E; 265/N & 2125/E; 12 mi NW Oil Center; Rot 15500 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44012

Cimarex Energy Co. Triste Draw 25 Fed #13 Triste Draw; Sec 25 T23S R32E; 560/S & 2370/W; 12 mi NW Oehoa; Rot 14202 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44001

Cimarex Energy Co. Triste Draw 25 Fed #14 Triste Draw; Sec 25 T23S R32E; 560/S & 2390/W; 12 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 13692 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44002

Cimarex Energy Co. Triste Draw 25 Fed #15 Triste Draw; Sec 25 T23S R32E; 560/S & 2410/W; 12 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 14022 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44003

OWL SWD Operating LLC Brininstool SWD #3 SWD; Sec 19 T23S R33E; 784/S & 419/W; 12 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 18500 Devonian; API #30-025-44000

Mewbourne Oil Co. Pronghorn 15 B3CN Federal Com #1 West Antelope Ridge; Sec 15 T23S R34E; 185/N & 1700/W; 2 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 15866 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44011

Kaiser-Francis Oil Co. Bell Lake Unit South #119 North Bell Lake; Sec 1 T24S R33E; 2225/S & 559/W; 6 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 17041 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44019

Kaiser-Francis Oil Co. Bell Lake Unit South #219 North Bell Lake; Sec 1 T24S R33E; 2214/S & 531/W; 6 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 18499 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44020

Kaiser-Francis Oil Co. Bell Lake Unit South #319 North Bell Lake; Sec 1 T24S R33E; 2203/S & 503/W; 6 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 19443 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44021

Kaiser-Francis Oil Co. Bell Lake Unit South #419 North Bell Lake; Sec 1 T24S R33E; 2192/S & 475/W; 6 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 19852 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44022

OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Thunderbird WCA State Com #1 Hardin Tank; Sec 36 T25S R34E; 7 mi SE Ochoa; 376/N & 376/W; Rot 16719 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44010

EOG Resources Inc. Ophelia 22 Fed Com #704 Red Hills; Sec 22 T26S R33E; 200/N & 644/W; 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 19839 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44006

EOG Resources Inc. Ophelia 22 Fed Com #705 Red Hills; Sec 22 T26S R33E; 200/N & 679/W; 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 19389 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44007

EOG Resources Inc. Ophelia 22 Fed Com #706 Red Hills; Sec 22 T26S R33E; 200/N & 1966/W; 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 19835 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44009

EOG Resources Inc. Ophelia 22 Fed Com #707 Red Hills; Sec 22 T26S R33E; 200/N & 2001/W; 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 19837 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44008

EOG Resources Inc. Topaz 11 Federal #701 Red Hills; Sec 11 T26S R34E; 483/N & 330/W; 9 mi S Ochoa; Rot 17532 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44005

Steward Energy II-LLC Pollos Hermanos St #1 South Bronco; Sec 10 T14S R38E; 226/S & 1350/E; 7 mi NE Prairieview; Rot 13000 San Andres; API #30-025-44038

Legacy Reserves Operating LP Lea Unit #55 Lea; Sec 11 T20S R34E; 170/N & 1690/E; 12 1/2 mi NE Halfway; Rot 17678 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44023

Legacy Reserves Operating LP Lea Unit #56 Lea; Sec 11 T20S R34E; 173/N & 1640/E; 12 1/2 mi NE Halfway; Rot 16993 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44026 Legacy

Reserves Operating LP Lea Unit #58 Lea; Sec 11 T20S R34E; 170/N & 1115/E; 12 1/2 mi NE Halfway; Rot 16985 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44027

Legacy Reserves Operating LP Lea Unit #60 Lea; Sec 19 T20S R35E; 2270/S & 710/W; 14 mi E Halfway; Rot 18211 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44025

Legacy Reserves Operating LP Lea Unit #61 Lea; Sec 19 T20S R34E; 2270/S & 760/W; 14 mi E Halfway; Rot 17510 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44024

EOG Resources Inc. Papaya 10 State #201 North Grama Ridge; Sec 10 T21S R34E; 215/N & 1076/W; 11 1/2 mi W Oil Center; Rot 13859 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44032

OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Beaver Creek BS3 State Com #1 Ojo Chiso; Sec 13 T22S R34E; 225/S & 940/E; 12 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 20884 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44433

OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Crested Butte BS3 State Com #1 Ojo Chiso; Sec 13 T22S R34E; 224/S & 2260/E; 12 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 20965 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44035

OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Loveland BS3 State Com #1 Ojo Chiso; Sec 18 T22S R35E; 2627/S & 589/W; 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 18479 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44036

OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Silver BS3 State Com #1 Ojo Chiso; Sec 18 T22S R35E; 2070/N & 2080/W; 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 17893 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44037

OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Cannon BS2 State Com #1 South Ojo Chiso; Sec 30 T22S R35E; 220/N & 685/E; 13 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 17888 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44039

Breitburn Operating LP Encore M State #11 Wantz; Sec 20 T22S R37E; 978/S & 641/W; 4 mi SW Eunice; Rot 7600 Abo; API #30-025-44028

Manzano LLC Rag Mama 30 19 Fee #1 Jennings; Sec 30 T9S R35E; 25/S & 528/E; 4 mi SW Crossroads; Rot 11800 San Andres; API #30-025-44067

Apache Corp. Black & Tan 27 Fed Com #307 South Lea; Sec 27 T20S R34E; 215/S & 782/E; 11 mi SE Halfway; Rot 15751 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44044

Apache Corp. Black & Tan 27 Fed Com #308 South Lea; Sec 27 T20S R34E; 215/S & 742/E; 11 mi SE Halfway; Rot 15726 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44045

EOG Resources Inc. Date 14 State Com #602 North Berry; Sec 14 T21S R33E; 230/S & 1370/E; 12 mi SE Halfway; Rot 21844 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44072

Oxy USA Inc. Red Tank 30 31 St Com #24 East Red Tank; Sec 30 T22S R33E; 200/N & 2920/E; 15 mi SE Halfway; Rot 20972 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44062

Oxy USA Inc. Red Tank 30 31 St Com #34 East Red Tank; Sec 30 T22S R33E; 200/N & 470/E; 15 mi SE Halfway; Rot 22003 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44063

OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Alamo BS2 State Com #1 South Ojo Chiso; Sec 30 T22S R35E; 444/N & 2045/E; 15 mi SE Halfway; Rot 18137 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44078 OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Alamo BS3 State Com #1 South Ojo Chiso; Sec 30 T22S R35E; 444/N & 1995/E; 15 mi SE Halfway; Rot 19025 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44077

OneEnergy Partners Operating LLC Cannon BS3 State Com #1 South Ojo Chiso; Sec 30 T22S R35E; 220/N & 635/E; 15 mi SE Halfway; Rot 18789 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44040

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #86 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1400/E; 9 1/2 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 18058 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44079

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #99 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1790/W; 9 1/2 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 18077 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44066

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #100 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1400/E; 9 1/2 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 18058 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44085

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #100 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1690/E; 9 1/2 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 18109 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44085

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #125 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1370/W; 9 1/2 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 17558 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44080

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #127 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1750/E; 91/2 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 17484 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44084

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #128 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1630/E; 9 1/2 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 17621 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44086

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #133 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1730/W; 9 1/2 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 17496 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44069

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #142 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1310/W; 9 1/2 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 16974 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44081

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #160 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1430/W; 9 1/2 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 17059 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44070

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #161 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1760/W; 9 1/2 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 17087 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44068

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #162 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1780/E; 9 1/2 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 16980 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44083

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #165 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 335/N & 1660/E; 9 1/2 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 17080 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44082

Devon Energy Production Co. LP Thistle Unit #168 Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 233/N & 630/E; 9 1/2 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 17200 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44071

Oxy USA Inc. Mesa Verde 17 8 Fed Com #3 Mesa Verde; Sec 17 T24S R32E; 280/S & 2626/W; 15 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 20583 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44065

Oxy USA Inc. Mesa Verde 17 8 Fed Com #4 Mesa Verde; Sec 17 T24S R32E; 280/S & 2624/W; 15 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 20610 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44042 Oxy USA Inc. Mesa Verde 17 8 Fed Com #6 Mesa Verde; Sec 17 T24S R32E; 280/S & 965/W; 15 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 20635 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44064

COG Operating LLC Square Bill Federal Com #1 Dogie Draw; Sec 31 T25S R35E; 210/S & 957/E; 7 mi SE Ochoa; Rot 19620 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44046

COG Operating LLC Square Bill Federal Com #21 Dogie Draw; Sec 31 T25S R35E; 210/S & 924/E; 7 mi SE Ochoa; Rot 19907 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44041

COG Operating LLC Square Bill Federal Com #22 Dogie Draw; Sec 31 T25S R35E; 210/S & 990/E; 7 mi SE Ochoa; Rot 19999 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44047

COG Operating LLC Square Bill Federal Com #23 Dogie Draw; Sec 31 T25S R35E; 210/S & 1023/E; 7 mi SE Ochoa; Rot 19881 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44048

EOG Resources Inc. Dogwood 23 Federal #701 Sanders Tank; Sec 23 T26S R33E; 200/S & 569/E; 12 1/2 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 22572 Wolfcamp

EOG Resources Inc. Dogwood 23 Federal Com #702 Sanders Tank; Sec 23 T26S R33E; 200/S & 604/E; 12 1/2 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 22574 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44074

EOG Resources Inc. Ruby 2 St #601 Hardin Tank; Sec 2 T26S R34E; 220/N & 1245/W; 8 mi S Ochoa; Rot 17288 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44059

EOG Resources Inc. Ruby 2 St #602 Hardin Tank; Sec 2 T26S R34E; 220/N & 1277/W; 9 mi S Ochoa; Rot 17164 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44060

EOG Resources Inc. Ruby 2 St #603 Hardin Tank; Sec 2 T26S R34E; 220/N & 2220/W; 9 mi S Ochoa; Rot 17203 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44061

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The University of Texas of the Permian Basin is proud to welcome Xuemin Xu to the College of Arts and Sciences faculty. Xu comes to the Permian Basin from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tennessee. Xu holds a PhD in Molecular Biology from the Tokyo Institute of Technology. His past research focused in the areas of Alzheimer's Disease (AD) and Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Disease.

Among Dr. Xu's contributions to science and research is his contribution to the understanding of the molecular and cellular mechanism of Alzheimer's disease and related neurodegeneration. Xu's research also covers the mechanism of apoptotic cell death found in Neurodegenerative Disease, specifically, Alzheimer's disease and the protein-protein interaction and its role in intracellular signal transduction.

Xu's current research projects include studying the pathological roles of presenilins and its associated protein PSAP in Alzheimer's disease and in ALS. The goal of his research is to determine the normal functions of these genes in neuron development including differentiation and survival, and the pathological role of these genes in Alzheimer's disease and ALS using molecular and cellular approaches and animal models.

The STARs grant will be used to set up a research laboratory, purchase equipment and hire graduate assistants needed to support Dr. Xu's vital research.

"We want to welcome Dr. Xuemin Xu as our newest faculty member in the department of Biology. Dr. Xu brings a depth of research in the areas on Neurodegenerative Disease," said Michael Zavada, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. "His presence in the department will substantially strengthen our graduate program and allow our students to move into the medical field without having to leave the Permian Basin."

"The infrastructure at UTPB is excellent and I will be able to set up a very good, effective laboratory," said Xuemin Xu. "This is also a great opportunity for collaboration with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC)."

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–Dr. Michael Zavada
Dean
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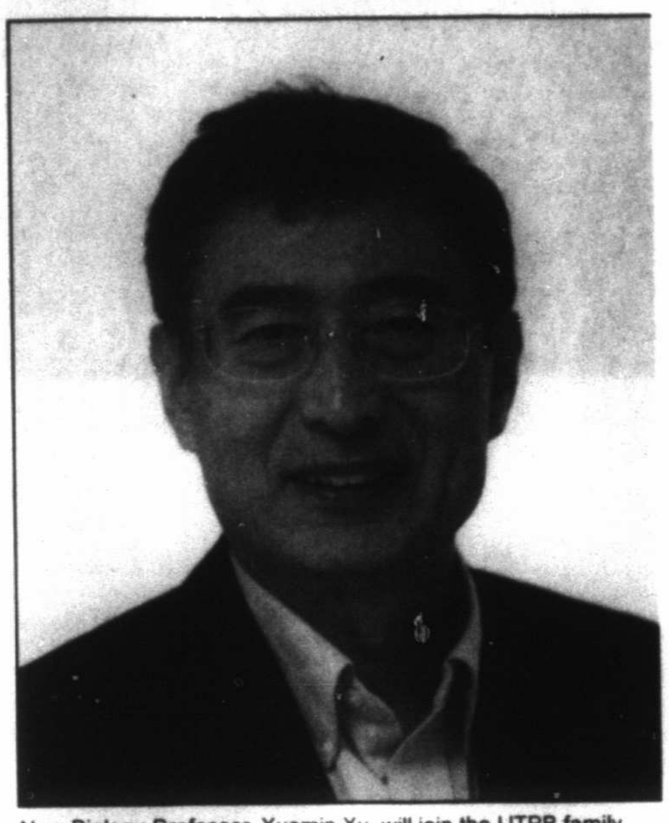
"Along with the support of Dr. John Doran, we are grateful for the assistance of the UT System STARs program which has enabled us to recruit world-class researchers to our community. The STARS program has been in existence since 2004 and, while during the initial ten years of the program we had not received one award; in the past two years we have been awarded five UT System STARs faculty awards totaling nearly $1.75 million, " said Dan Heimmermann, provost and vice president of UTPB. "UT Permian Basin's support for the local oil and gas industry is well-established and recognized, but the University also is committed to improving the health care of our region. Along with our Nursing program, the coming of Drs. Xu and Cui--whose research areas are neurobiology and cardiology—represent a major advance in fulfilling our mission."

The Faculty STARs (Science and Technology Acquisition and Retention) Program has evolved and expanded from the original proposal approved by The University of Texas System Board of Regents in August 2004. The Faculty STARs, STARs Plus, Rising STARs, Translational STARs and Teaching STARs program funded by an allocation of funds approved by the UT Board of Regents which is to be awarded to institutions to help attract and retain the best-qualified faculty.



New Biology Professor, Xuemin Xu, will join the UTPB family January 2018. Dr. Xu is a scientist and researcher, focusing on Alzheimer's disease and ALS

The Faculty STARs program was funded through Permanent University Fund (PUF) bond proceeds Library, Equipment, Repair and Rehabilitation (LERR funds) to help purchase state-of-the-art research equipment and make necessary laboratory renovations to encourage faculty members to perform their research at U. T. institutions.

The Board has allocated STARs funds to both general academic and to health institutions.

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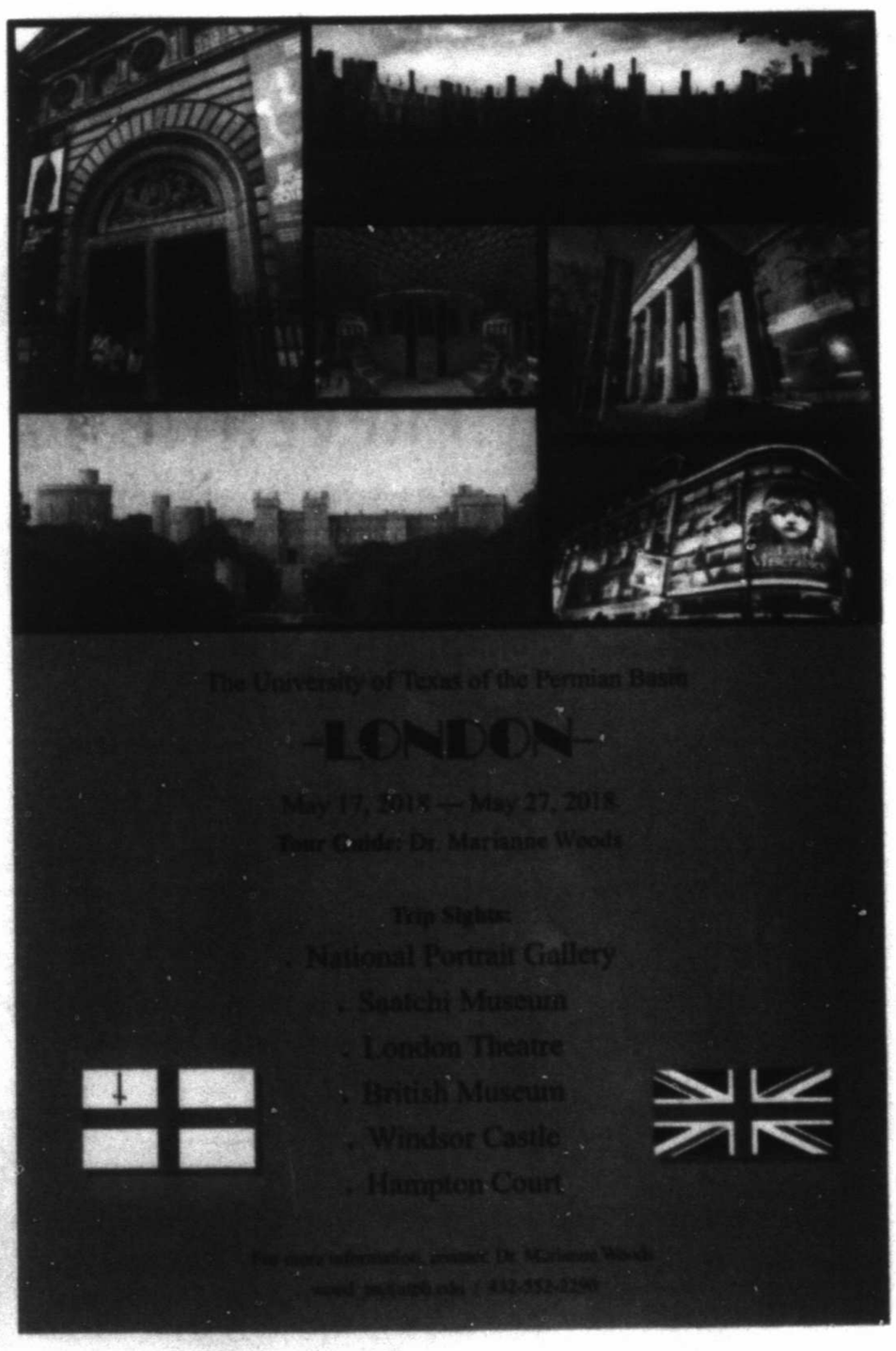

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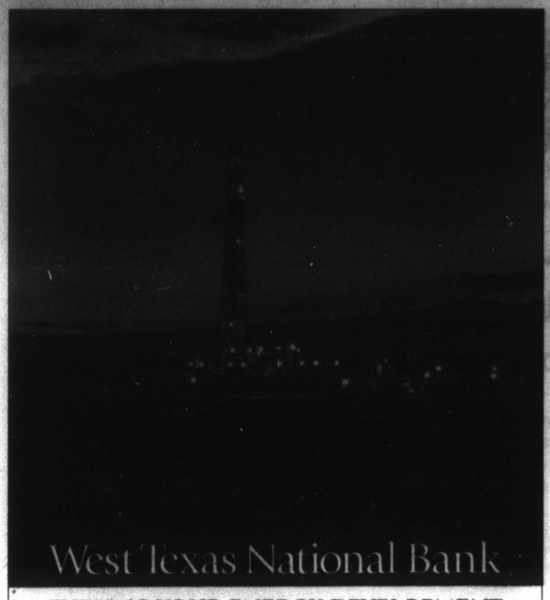

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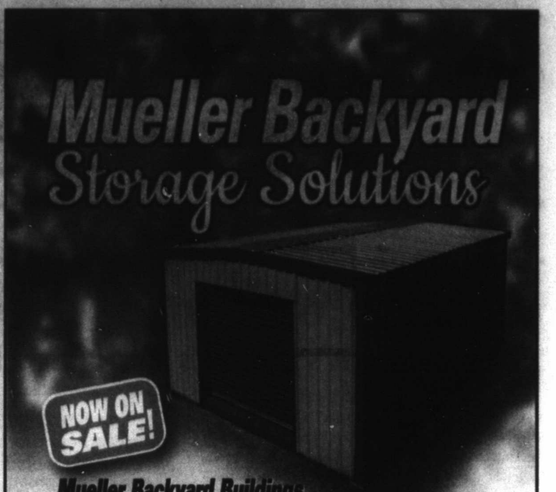

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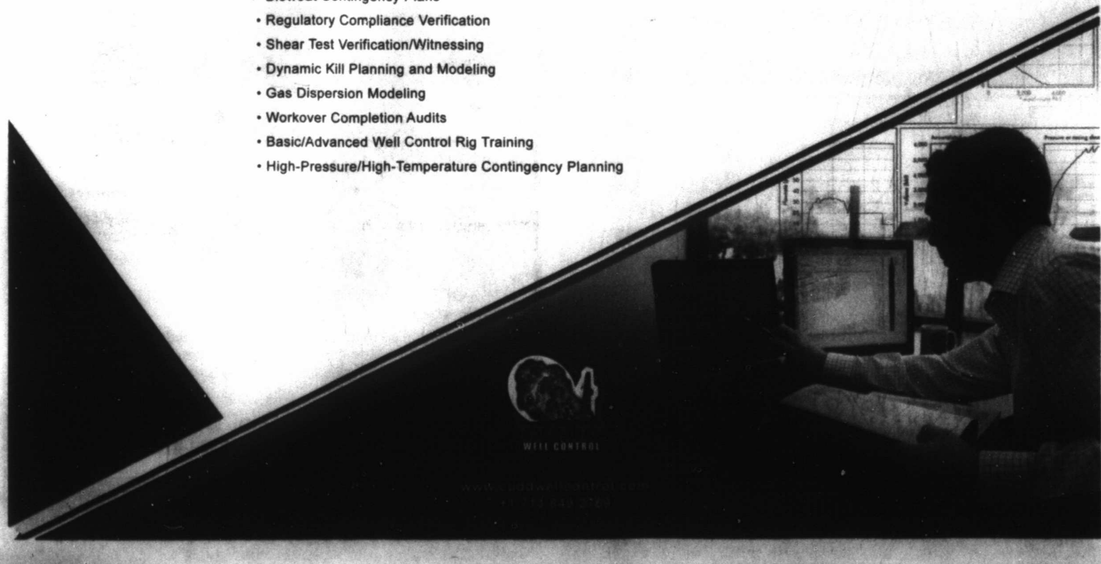
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