SAVE SOME MONEY

Today's edition has savings up to **$151.25.**

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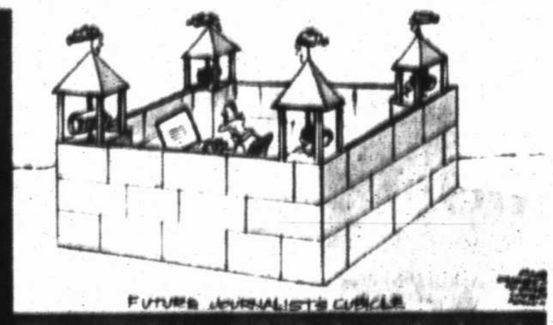

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PBBOR: More housing will help prices adjust

Average home sold between $250,000-$299,999, took 14 days in May

By Stewart Doreen
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An official with the Permian Basin Board of Realtors said last week that a lack of supply is driving the record-breaking prices for single-family residences.

Carroll Nall, vice president of operations for the Permian Basin Board of Realtors, wrote in an email that the housing market in Midland County remains strong. He also wrote that PBBOR officials "believe that, much like the apartment bubble over the past couple of years, as numbers of houses on the market increase, prices will have the tendency to adjust accordingly."

More inside

Home prices in Midland dwarf other West Texas communities

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The inflation of prices continued in May, according to PBBOR statistics, which showed the median price for a home sold creeped closer to $300,000. The median price of $295,500 was a record, according to PBBOR information. The organization reported an average price of $340,000. Both averages were slightly lower than figures the Texas A&M Real Estate Center reported last week. Nall has previously told the Reporter-Telegram there will be differences in statistics released by the organizations.

"Average price increases over the past several months are due, in a large part, to

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MARCH FOR FAMILIES

Carol Ramirez/Reporter-Telegram contributor

The Families Belong Together Rally took place Saturday morning in front of the Midland Park Mall. There were about 80-100 protesters attending.

STAAR results show mixed bag for MISD

By Stewart Doreen
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Last week, Midland ISD released its State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness test scores, and as reported, there was improvement in 15 of 25 subjects in grades three through eight.

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- Campus-by-campus scores
- MISD attorney to step down

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It was apparent that most of the improvement took place at the elementary level and with Spanish students. MISD students outperformed Ector County ISD students in every subject in every grade in all but two areas.

On the other hand, MISD students still trail state averages across the board and struggled at the junior high level year-over-year.

The following is a campus-by-campus look at STAAR performance in grades three through eight. Also, there is a look at which campuses showed the most improvement and others that still have work for the next school year.

CARVER STILL RISING

The talented and gifted students at Carver

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Trump claims Saudi Arabia will boost oil production

By Ken Thomas and Jon Gambrell
Associated Press

BERKELEY HEIGHTS, N.J. — President Donald Trump said Saturday that he had received assurances from King Salman of Saudi Arabia that the kingdom will increase oil production, "maybe up to 2,000,000 barrels" in response to turmoil in Iran and Venezuela. Saudi Arabia acknowledged the call took place, but mentioned no production targets.

Trump wrote on Twitter that he had asked the king in a phone call to boost oil production "to make up the difference... Prices to (sic) high! He has agreed!"

A little over an hour later, the state-run Saudi Press Agency reported on the call, but offered few details.

"During the call, the two leaders stressed the need to make efforts to maintain the stability of oil markets and the growth of the global economy," the

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BUSINES BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Member of local Weaver office promoted in restructuring

A member of the local Weaver office has been promoted in a restructuring of the independent accounting firm, according to a press release. Laura Roman has been promoted to partner-in-charge, tax education.

Weaver has restructured and expanded its tax services to enhance the firm's ability to serve its clients. The restructuring also expands the opportunities for employees to develop leadership and specialized technical skills, according to the release.

Weaver's tax practice now includes three groups: business tax services, private client services and investment fund services.

Sean Muller will serve as chief operating officer for all three services. Business tax services will be led by Clint Siddons of the Fort Worth office, now partner-in-charge for the North Texas region, and Robert Henry of the San Antonio office, partner-in-charge of the South Texas region. Elizabeth Bunk of the Houston office is partner-in-charge of the South Texas region, and Justin Reeves of the Dallas office is partner-in-charge for the North Texas region for Weaver's private client services group. In the investment fund service group, Lisa Head of the Dallas office has been named partner-in-charge. Sam Wren has been promoted to partner-in-charge of business tax quality and risk management and will work with Mark Watson, partner-in-charge of tax QRM.

Kirk Edwards named to University Lands board

Odessan Kirk Edwards, president of Latigo Petroleum, was one of two new members appointed to the University Lands Advisory Board by the University of Texas System Board of Regents. He was appointed to a three-year term.

Vice Chairman Paul L. Foster was appointed to succeed Alex Cranberg, who has served on the advisory board as chairman since its inception in 2014. Regents also reappointed Frank D. Tsuru of Houston, who has served as CEO and president of several energy companies, and Thomas L. Carter, chairman and CEO of Houston-based Black Stone Minerals. Jeffery D. Hildebrand, founder and executive chairman of Hilcorp Energy Co., was appointed board.

The advisory board was created by the U.T. System Board of Regents in 2014 to provide strategic direction to University Lands and serve in an advisory capacity to regents on land operations and management. University Lands oversees activities on 2.1 million acres of land that stretch across 19 West Texas counties in the Permian Basin and serve as a valuable resource for the U.T. and Texas A&M system institutions.

Wayne Workwear opens larger store

Wayne Workwear, which offers fire-resistant clothing, safety boots, PPE and uniforms, has relocated its Midland store to a larger location at 6500 W. Highway 80.

The store opened in Midland in 2011.

GUEST VIEW

A big battery in West Texas might help your electricity bill

The Dallas Morning News

Texas' energy market just got supercharged. Vistra Energy, owner of the state's biggest solar power plant, will add the state's biggest battery, a move that promises to help stabilize notoriously fickle renewable energy and reduce prices along the way.

It's a dream come true for renewable energy, and a critical stamp of approval for Texas' deregulated energy market.

Texas has a special place in the world of electricity. We are the first state to install 10,000 megawatts of installed wind generating capacity in a deregulated, free-market. Plus, those same windy West Texas plains have some of the highest solar power potential in the nation.

But renewable energy adoption has been constrained by two basic facts of nature: the sun sets, and the wind stops blowing. Unlike coal and fossil fuels, renewable energy can't be physically stored, meaning that the wind and solar power is wasted if not used immediately. When there is too much supply and not enough demand, it's even possible for wholesale power prices to go negative, creating a headache for the grid.

Batteries address this gap. Grid-grade batteries allow power companies to capture and store cheaply attained sun and wind power and sell it back into the market during times of day when power prices spike. Smoothing this cost curve makes a more reliable market and lowers prices for everyone.

If many in the industry consider this new kind of battery to be the "holy grail" of energy, its emergence in Texas is its own blessing. Texas is the only state to have its own independent power grid, and a deregulated environment has meant renewable energy providers can't rely on ratepayers to pay the bills.

Without the safety net of consumers' rates, energy entrepreneurs who want to operate on the Texas grid have to be darn sure that an investment in renewable energy can turn a profit. The fact that an investor sees an opportunity in Texas means both that the battery technology is mature enough to assuage these fears, and the Texas market is flexible enough to incorporate fresh technology without burdening ratepayers.

With the arrival of this big new battery, Texas moved out of photovoltaic purgatory to prove a hands-off approach yields big energy gains. We always knew Texas had a sunny disposition. Now we can use it.

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Southwest Airlines adding 15 daily flights to already crowded Love Field

By Conor Shine
The Dallas Morning News

AP file photo

A Southwest Airlines plane taxies near two grounded ATA planes April 3, 2008, at Chicago's Midway International Airport.

Southwest Airlines plans to add 15 daily flights at an already crowded Love Field, bringing its peak number of daily flights at the Dallas airport to 195.

The move will test Southwest's Love Field operation by forcing the carrier to squeeze extra flights out of its 18 gates, which are already operating near capacity.

Airlines generally can fit about 10 flights per day per gate, with Southwest currently operating 180 daily flights. The exception at Love Field is Gate 15, where Southwest operates 10 daily flights and Delta Air Lines operates five of its own, a shared arrangement disliked by both carriers that is the subject of a three-year legal fight set to go to trial early next year.

Love Field is capped at 20 gates under the terms of the Wright Amendment Reform Act. In addition to Southwest and Delta, Alaska Airlines also operates out of two Love Field gates acquired as part of its merger with Virgin America.

In an attempt to head off potential conflict, Southwest said its newly added flights won't operate out of Gate 15, according to a notice filed Thursday with the federal judge overseeing the case.

Southwest said Thursday its schedule-optimizing tools allowed it to take time savings and adjustments of even a few minutes and use them to fit the additional flights in its operation. "After adjusting to a new airport and a new regulatory landscape following the expiration of the Wright Amendment restrictions, we are now able to increase our operations on our gates at Love Field, to the great benefit of North Texas customers, starting in January," spokesman Dan Landson said.

The expanded schedule will bring nonstop flights to seven new cities beginning Jan. 7, 2019.

That includes new markets like Louisville and Tucson, plus a return of daily nonstop service to several cities, including Minneapolis; Milwaukee; Fort Myers, Fla.; Jacksonville, Fla.; and Charleston, S.C.

Southwest will also add a daily flight to eight markets it already serves from Love Field, including Houston, San Antonio, Orlando and Los Angeles. Daily departures to Kansas City, Mo., will drop from seven to six.

Tickets for flights to those destinations are on sale now, with Southwest publishing its schedule through March 6, 2019 for its entire network.

Not included on this latest schedule are Southwest's long-awaited flights to Hawaii. The company recently announced destinations in Hawaii it plans to serve, but hasn't said when those flights will begin operating.

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No roommate, no problem: Lubbock ranks as affordable city to live in solo

By Sarah Self-Walbrick
Lubbock Avalanche-Journal

Lubbock ranks in the top 25 cities renters can afford to live alone in, according to a recent study.

A report from financial services website SmartAsset, released this past week, placed Lubbock as the 22nd most affordable city for the average renter to live without a roommate. The study analyzed median monthly rent, percent of homes with less than two bedrooms, median earnings of full-time workers, cost of living and unemployment rate to create the list.

Median monthly rent in Lubbock was listed as $699, with the average full-time worker earning a median income of $40,119. Cost of living came in under the national average. The unemployment rate was reported as 3.1 percent, using data from January.

"We found that both in terms of median monthly rent and unemployment rates, Lubbock ranked quite well," said Ross Urken, senior editor with SmartAsset. Of the 25 cities on the list, Lubbock had the lowest percentage of one-bedroom units, at 11.5 percent of homes "with less than two bedrooms," meaning spaces like studio apartments and one-bedroom units.

Urken said that is still a fairly high rate. The demand and options for student housing, which makes up 21 percent of Lubbock's multi-family market according to ALN Apartment Data, is likely why Lubbock has fewer small units.

The demand for units affordable on a single budget is high right now, Urken said.

"A lot of people who don't have the capital to buy a home or make a down payment yet are looking for affordable places that also provide great job opportunities and can help them save for the future," Urken said. "Lubbock is certainly a great destination for folks looking for that."

Three other Texas cities made the list: Austin, San Antonio and Arlington. The most affordable city was Cincinnati, Ohio, where one-bedroom units are plentiful and median monthly rent is $574.

At the end of May, the average effective rent in Lubbock was $735 a month, according to numbers from ALN Apartment Data. The average unit size was 829 square feet. Occupancy rate was reported to be just below 90 percent, which is expected at the beginning of the summer when many college kids are on the move.

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Abbott to Trump: Steel and aluminum tariffs will harm Texas oil and gas

By Matthew Choi
Texas Tribune

Gov. Greg Abbott urged President Donald Trump in a letter Thursday to reconsider his tariffs on foreign steel and aluminum, arguing the imported metals are vital to the growth of Texas' economy.

In the letter, Abbott praised his fellow Republican for guiding the country to a time of increased job creation and thriving agriculture, technology and energy sectors by "modernizing our nation's trade policies" to work in the United States' favor. But Abbott also emphasized the necessity of foreign steel and aluminum to the continued growth of American oil and gas, which have an enormous footprint in Texas.

"Our country's steel and aluminum workers are a vital part of the national workforce, and creating jobs in that industry must be a top priority," said the letter. "But attempting to protect these jobs through the new tariffs could jeopardize the livelihoods of hundreds of thousands of Texans and other Americans employed in the oil and gas industry."

Trump announced the steel and aluminum tariffs earlier this year, targeting some of the United States' closest allies, such as the European Union, Canada and Mexico. The tariffs are designed to boost the domestic steel and aluminum industries, but critics have expressed worry about trade wars and other ripple effects.

The president has also repeatedly argued against free trade agreements like the North American Free Trade Agreement, which he says unfairly benefits the United States' partners at its expense.

Abbott, a vocal supporter of Trump, has also spoken in the past about NAFTA's necessity in advancing the economy of Texas.

The state's trade with Mexico surpassed $187 billion in 2017. Abbott wrote a letter on April 4 to a top administration official arguing that elements of NAFTA were vital to Texas.

The state accounted for more than $8.3 billion in steel and aluminum imports in 2017, more than twice any other state, according to the letter. Abbott said increasing the costs of imported steel and aluminum would hinder the U.S. oil and gas industry from surpassing its competitors and that Texas oil and gas accounts for more than twice as many jobs as the national steel and aluminum industry.

Protecting steel and aluminum jobs has been a large talking point for Trump since he first announced his candidacy.

"Our Steel and Aluminum industries (and many others) have been decimated by decades of unfair trade and bad policy with countries from around the world," Trump tweeted in March. "We must not let our country, companies and workers be taken advantage of any longer. We want free, fair and SMART TRADE!"

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statement said.

It added that there also was an understanding that oil-producing countries would need "to compensate for any potential shortage of supplies." It did not elaborate.

Oil prices have edged higher as the Trump administration has pushed allies to end all purchases of oil from Iran following the U.S. pulling out of the nuclear deal between Tehran and world powers. Prices also have risen with ongoing unrest in Venezuela and fighting in Libya over control of that country's oil infrastructure.

Last week, members of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries cartel led by Saudi Arabia and non-cartel members agreed to pump 1 million barrels more crude oil per day, a move that should help contain the recent rise in global energy prices. However, summer months in the U.S. usually lead to increased demand for oil, pushing up the price of gasoline in a midterm election year. A gallon of regular gasoline sold on average in the U.S. for $2.85, up from $2.73 a gallon last year, according to AAA.

If Trump's comments are accurate, oil analyst Phil Flynn said it could immediately knock $2 or $3 off a barrel of oil. But he said it's unlikely that decrease could sustain itself as demand spikes, leading prices to rise by wintertime.

"We'll need more oil down the road and there'll be nowhere to get it," said Flynn, of the Price Futures Group. "This leaves the world in kind of a vulnerable state."

Other analysts were more doubtful about immediate effects.

Trump appears to be trying to "talk the market down," said Lawrence Goldstein, who directs the Energy Policy Research Foundation. He questioned whether Trump's words would do anything to reverse the effects on the market of declining Iranian oil production. He also noted it always takes at least two months before a change in shipping commitments affects the market.

Trump's aim may be to exert maximum pressure on Iran while at the same time not upsetting potential U.S. midterm voters with higher gas prices, said Antoine Halff, a Columbia University researcher and former chief oil analyst for the International Energy Agency.

"The Trump support base is probably the part of the U.S. electorate that will be the most sensitive to an increase in U.S. gasoline prices," Halff said.

Trump's comments came Saturday as global financial markets were closed. Brent crude stood at $79.42 a barrel, while U.S. benchmark crude was at $74.15.

Saudi Arabia currently produces some 10 million barrels of crude oil a day. Its record is 10.72 million barrels a day. Trump's tweet offered no timeframe for the additional 2 million barrels — whether that meant per day or per month.

However, Saudi Aramco CEO Amin Nasser told journalists in India on Monday that the state oil company has spare capacity of 2 million barrels of oil a day. That was after Saudi Energy Minister Khalid al-Falih said the kingdom would honor the OPEC decision to stick to a 1-million-barrel increase.

"Saudi Arabia obviously can deliver as much as the market would need, but we're going to be respectful of the 1-million-barrel cap — and at the same time be respectful of allocating some of that to countries that deliver it," al-Falih said then.

The Trump administration has been counting on Saudi Arabia and other OPEC members to supply enough oil to offset the lost Iranian exports and prevent oil prices from rising sharply.

But broadcasting its requests on Twitter with a number that stretches credibility opens a new chapter in U.S.-Saudi relations, Halff said.

"Saudis are used to U.S. requests for oil," Halff said. "They're not used to this kind of public messaging.

"I think the difficulty for them is to distinguish what is a real ask from what is public posturing."

The administration has threatened close allies such as South Korea with sanctions if they don't cut off Iranian imports by early November. South Korea accounted for 14 percent of Iran's oil exports last year, according to the U.S. Energy Department.

China is the largest importer of Iranian oil with 24 percent, followed by India with 18 percent. Turkey stood at 9 percent and Italy at 7 percent.

The State Department has said it expects the "vast majority" of countries will comply with the U.S. request.

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Effigy
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1. an image or representation especially of a person, especially a crude figure representing a hated person

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Things to do

Today

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

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

■ Newsboys, Adam Agee, Zealand, 6-9 p.m., Horseshoe Pavilion, 2514 Arena Trail. $25-$100. Premierproductions.com.

■ David Dunn, 6 p.m., Midland Bible Church, 5900 Whitman Drive. Free. midland-bible.com.

Tuesday

Geology. Reading the Rocks. Chevron geologists teach children ages 8-12 about rocks, fossils and more, 2-3 p.m., Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2511 W. Loop 250 N.

Wednesday

■ 2018 Freedom Run 5 and 10K, 8:30-11:30 a.m., First Baptist Church, 2104 W. Louisiana Ave. $25-$35. Active.com. This annual run is a fundraiser for the Midland Municipal Employee Scholarship Fund, which provides scholarships for city of Midland employees' dependents who are going to college.

■ Midland Star-Spangled Salute will feature the annual children's sidewalk parade, Fun Zone, Beer Garden, food court, live music and fireworks. 9 a.m.-11 p.m., Hogan Park, 1201 E. Wadley Ave. fourthinmidland.com.

■ Patriotic Concert by Midland Community Band, 2 p.m., Allison Fine Arts Building at Midland College. 3600 Garfield St. Free.

Thursday through July 8

Tall City Blues Festival 2018. DoubleTree by Hilton, 117 W. Wall St. $25-$65. VIP $185. tallcitybluesfest.com.

Friday

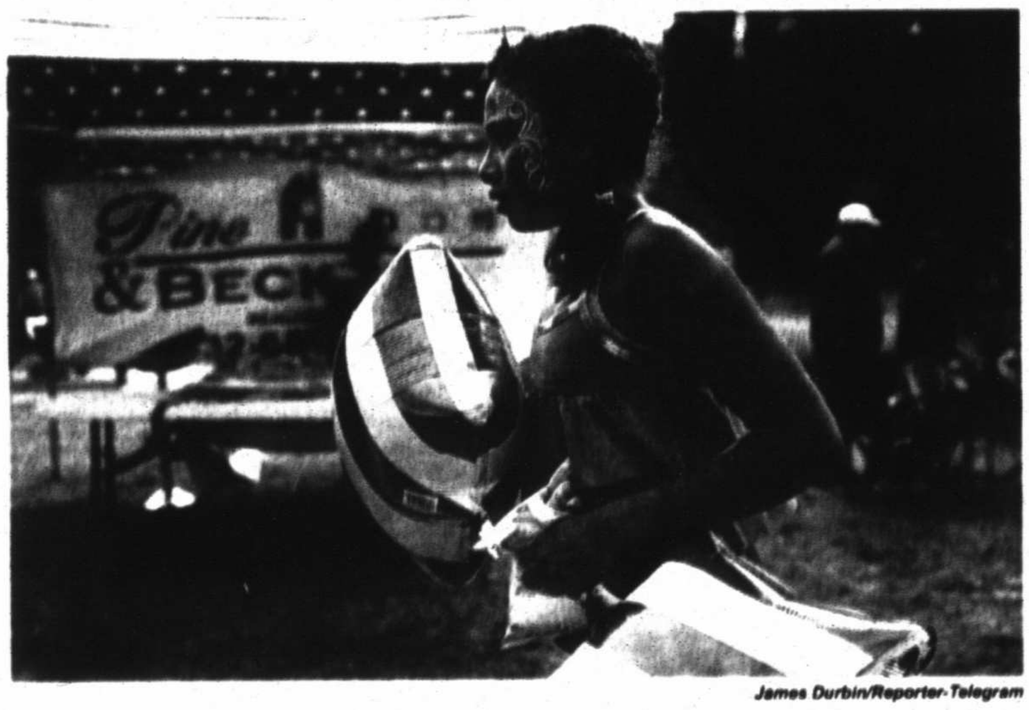
Movie in the Park: "Wonder." 8:45 p.m. (dusk), Fasken Park, 2301 Humble Ave. Free. midlandtexas.gov.

Saturday

Midland Margarita Festival 2018 will feature more than 15 flavors and a margarita competition, 3-9 p.m., Cimarex Pavilion, 5514 Champions Way. midlandmargaritafestival.com.

Food trucks, live DJ and vendors will be on site. 21 and older.

We The People



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Arianna Cooper, age 11, holds festive ballons during the We The People Celebration. Clients of a local real estate agency on Saturday celebrated Independence Day with music, food and activities. The inaugural We the People Celebration at Grafa Park was an extension of an annual project. Norma Pine and Chris Beckett, owners of Pine & Beckett Realtors, for several years have delivered goody bags to their clients for the holiday.

Today's pool schedule

■ The Doug Russell Aquatic Center, 900 N. Midland Drive. 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

■ Washington Aquatic Center, 1601 E. Indiana Ave. 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The entry fee for both pools is $3 per person. Children under 2 are free.

Lottery

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Pick 3 day: 4-6-1
Pick 3 evening: 3-2-7
Pick 3 night: 6-1-7
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Triple Chance: 3-12-16-17-20-23-30-32-34-52
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All or Nothing day: 1-8-10-13-15-16-17-18-19-21-22-24
All or Nothing evening: 1-5-10-11-13-14-16-17-19-20-21-23
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Weather

Saturday's temperatures

High	91
Low	71
Normal high	95
Normal low	69

June 30's records
High: 106, set in 1994 and equaled in 2017
Low: 56, set in 1982

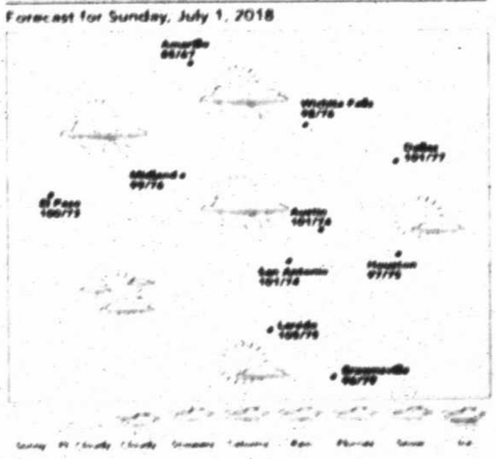
Precipitation

Saturday	0.60 in.
Sunday	0.07 in.
Month total	2.56 in.
Year total	3.40 in.
Normal total (year to date)	6.06 in.

Winds
Average speed: 19.8 mph
Highest speed: 25 mph
Highest gust speed: 33 mph

Today's forecast
High: 99
Low: 74
Condition: Mostly sunny during the day/mostly cloudy at night
Winds: 10-15 mph during the day and night
Chance of rain: 20 percent chance during day and night
Sunrise 6:46 a.m.
Sunset 8:59 p.m.
Source: National Weather Service

Forecast for Sunday, July 1, 2018



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 Cancer and a Moon in Aquarius.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for **Sunday, July 1, 2018:** This year optimism becomes a given in your life. You will see concrete results from this attitude change. If you are single, you have a strong personality, so you probably will need someone a little less intense for a partner. You will have several potential sweeties around you. If you are attached, this year offers many romantic moments. Remember to offer friendship as well as love to your significant other. AQUARIUS teaches you how to express your feelings.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Call your friends and make the most of this Sunday. A spontaneous get-together could heighten the enjoyment of this weekend. You might meet a new friend at this happening. Your feelings could be more intense than they have been in a while. **Tonight:** Where the action is. **This Week:** You feel as if you would like to be low.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You might feel pressured to make certain things happen. Others respond to your leadership and direction. Your ability to call the shots might be curtailed more than you'd like because of your acceptance of a stronger role within your family and at work. **Tonight:** A chance to be included. **This Week:** Your unproductivity could draw in others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ You could be in a situation where you are able to help others evolve and come to a clearer understanding. Your perspective is quite unique, and others enjoy hearing your views and logic. Look at the ramifications of moving forward with an offer. **Tonight:** Take an overview. **This Week:** Allow others to dominate through Wednesday.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ One-on-one relating proves to be rewarding. You might be able to calm down a potentially explosive situation. Opportunities appear through a loved one. You might not be able to control someone else, but you do appreciate that you can influence his or her mood. **Tonight:** Out late. **This Week:** Strong feelings dominate through the Fourth of July.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ You usually control situations, but at this point, others seem to be taking the lead. Embrace a more easygoing attitude. You have the rare opportunity to see the whole scenario from the perspective of a key person in your life. **Tonight:** Say "yes" to a special invitation. **This Week:** A loved one wants to express the depth of his or her caring.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Pace yourself, and recognize that you can do only so much in one day. What occurs is a direct reflection of your priorities. Others are like from your perspective. Your domineering personality emerges. Speak your mind, and people will listen. **Tonight:** Dive into a project. **This Week:** Do not fight the inevitable.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Your personality helps melt someone else's resistance. You see this person reveal his or her true colors. Note a tendency to overspend. You feel as if you can relax yourself in. A child or loved one lets you know how he or she really feels about you. **Tonight:** Be spontaneous. **This Week:** By the week's end, you could be tempted to take some time off.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ You could feel some trying to understand where certain members of your family are coming from. It is up to you to determine the best path to proceed on. Your loved ones appear to be supporting you. Your positive attitude does make a big difference. **Tonight:** Happiest at home. **This Week:** Allow your imagination to come forward.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Speak your mind with the expectation that others will get the gist of your message. You might be holding more in reserve, wanting to see the reaction to the first piece of significant information you share. Avoid going to extremes, if possible. **Tonight:** Meet friends for dinner. **This Week:** Make it OK to work from home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You'll deal with an emotional situation directly and won't allow others to interfere. A friendship affects today's plans. You could find that spontaneity sets the stage. Honor what is happening within your circle and join in. **Tonight:** Treat a close friend to a fun dinner out. **This Week:** Express your thoughts before you make a big decision.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Your smile draws many people toward you. You will share some news that undoubtedly contains some gossip. You'll enjoy the reaction you get. Of all the signs, your sign values friendship the most. Those around you know they can count on you. **Tonight:** Accept an offer. **This Week:** Make as few commitments as possible.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Use today just for you. You will recharge better in a quiet situation without many people around. Pick your company with care. You could be happy just vegging out and watching TV. Getting some quality downtime could set up your week well. **Tonight:** Cozy up at home. **This Week:** You hit your power days Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

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MISD attorney to step down

From staff reports

Leah Robertson is stepping down from her position as the school district's attorney after six years, the district announced Friday.

Board President Rick Davis told the Reporter-Telegram that Robertson is resigning effective July 31 to spend more time with her family.

"Leah has been an excellent attorney for the board of trustees, our district and our community," Davis said. "Her steady and insightful counsel and dedicated service were very much appreciated and will be missed."

Robertson joined MISD in 2012 after working at the Midland County District Attorney's Office. She replaced Ellen House, who had worked at Midland ISD for 12 years.

Robertson's departure will mean Human Resources will be busier when the district opens again on July 9.

The district's website showed that MISD is searching for an executive director of athletics, an executive director for Bilingual/ESL, a director of Child Nutrition Services and principals at Fasken and South elementaries.

There are also openings for four assistant principal positions and two principal positions not connected to a particular school.

PBBOR

From 1A

the price point of the houses we have available on the market at this time," Nall wrote.

May's PBBOR report took a greater dive into the numbers. The data included:

- The average days on the market for a home sold in May was 30 days, the lowest since June 2014.
- The average DOM for a home sold in the $250,000-$299,999 range was 14 days.

Also falling below the overall 30-day average were homes sold between $200,000-$249,999 (22 days), $300,000-$399,999 (26 days) and $750,000-$999,999 (27 days).

- The most homes sold in May were between $300,000-$399,999 (56).
- Three homes sold for $1 million or more, including one home that sold for at least $3 million. That home stayed on the market for 41 days.
- For the first time in three months, there was more than a month's supply of homes on the market at month's end.

As Nall indicated earlier, the lack of supply is creating the inflated market.

Realtors have told the Reporter-Telegram previously a balanced market has around eight months of supply. The supply at the end of May was a little more than one month.

The PBBOR shows an average price that is nearly $25,000 more than the average in May 2017 and around $90,000 more than the average from May 2013. Nall also wrote that Midland "remains the No. 1 real estate market in the country," according to reports. "This is due in part to high demands and low inventory in all housing sectors for the area," Nall wrote.

By the numbers

May statistics

Average total on the market	239
Homes sold	217
Average days on the market	30
Average sold price	$340,152
Average list price	$345,038
Median sold price	$295,500
Median list price	$299,900
Total house sales sold (dollar volume)	$74.167 million

Average number of houses on market in May

2012	248
2013	228
2014	294
2015	424
2016	590
2017	398
2018	239

Total houses sold in May

2012	184
2013	163
2014	171
2015	196
2016	164
2017	229
2018	217

Average days on market in May

2012	33
2013	28
2014	30
2015	43
2016	41
2017	37
2018	30

Average sold price in May

2012	$246,101
2013	$249,648
2014	$264,266
2015	$282,071
2016	$279,479
2017	$315,522
2018	$340,152

Source: Permian Basin Board of Realtors

Results

From 1A

Center again showed why they make up one of the top- performing elementary schools in the state. The STAAR results indicate the number of students who passed respective tests, and in all but three of the 10 total tests administered in grades three through six, 100 percent of Carver students passed. The exceptions were a pair of 99 percent passages and one 98. To put Carver's scores in perspective, the highest score by any other school on any one test was a 96 by sixth-grade students at Bowie in math. Bowie had the second most scores above 90 (five).

Better than average

Five Midland ISD elementary schools — Bowie, Carver, Fasken, Greathouse and Parker — performed at or better than the district average on all of the tests administered. Making up the second tier were Rusk, Yarbrough and Franks, which all beat the district average on nine of 10 tests. Franks is the new school on Midland's east side filled with students from the so-called 349 area, east of State Highway 349 and north of Loop 250. Those hitting on seven of 10 were Bonham, Emerson, Fannin and Pease.

Not better than average

Three schools failed to hit the district average on any test. They are Bunche, Lamar and Travis. Houston and Milam hit on one of 10, while Scharbauer and DeZavala hit the district average two times.

Bonham, South top improvement list

If one is looking primarily at improving scores compared to last year, then no scores were better than South and Bonham. Both schools improved on nine out of 10 tests administered. Bush and Lamar tied for third with eight improvements. Long and Yarbrough each recorded seven, and Bowie, Bunche, Burnet and Fannin finished with six each.

Not much improvement for Travis

There is a reason that Travis Elementary appears headed to be the district's first in-district charter. When it comes to academic performance, it has been a struggle. This past academic year — of the school's not named Carver — Travis posted the fewest improvements with two (out of 10 tests). DeZavala finished with three. DeZavala is noteworthy because it is one of two schools that received the student population from the former Crockett Elementary, which had to be closed because of academic performance issues. The other school that received Crockett transfers was Milam, which showed improvement in four categories. Milam was heralded this year as it came off TEA's improvement required list and received Texas Education Agency "distinction designations" for academic achievement in the 2016-17 school year. DeZavala also just came off the IR list this past school year.

Washington struggles

Washington is a STEM Academy and STEM stands for science, technology, math and science. In this set of STAAR testing, Washington struggled, and it appears students struggled with most with its namesake math and science.

In third- through sixth-grade math, Washington's average passing rate dropped from 75.75 to 67.25. And in fifth-grade science, only 56 percent of Washington students passed. It was the third lowest score of Midland ISD's 27 elementary schools.

Following is school-by-school comparison:

	Third Grade Reading 2017	Reading 2018
District	66	69
Bonham	56	78
Bowie	79	86
Bunche	47	58
Burnet	68	67
Bush	55	81
Carver	99	100
DeZavala	65	57
Emerson	82	79
Fannin	69	70
Fasken	69	70
Franks	-	93
Greathouse	80	73
Henderson	67	63
Houston	53	50
Jones	71	65
Lamar	51	62
Long	61	77
Milam	79	64
Parker	79	82
Pease	37	69
Rusk	75	80
Santa Rita	74	75
Scharbauer	55	58
South	38	42
Travis	42	38
Washington	71	61
Yarbrough	69	70

	Third Grade Math 2017	Math 2018
District	70	72
Bonham	57	75
Bowie	82	89
Bunche	62	62
Burnet	74	75
Bush	65	86
Carver	100	100
DeZavala	77	55
Emerson	79	78
Fannin	68	73
Fasken	81	87
Franks	-	93
Greathouse	79	80
Henderson	65	63
Houston	64	35
Jones	63	63
Lamar	45	47
Long	50	66
Milam	94	75
Parker	89	88
Pease	67	69
Rusk	82	68
Santa Rita	76	80
Scharbauer	64	62
South	44	50
Travis	36	36
Washington	73	70
Yarbrough	80	85

	Fourth Grade Reading 2017	Reading 2018
District	60	66
Bonham	61	63
Bowie	68	80
Bunche	44	47
Burnet	59	60
Bush	48	58
Carver	100	100
DeZavala	48	66
Emerson	56	88
Fannin	60	66
Fasken	82	81
Franks	-	80
Greathouse	71	71
Henderson	56	62
Houston	40	54
Jones	67	60
Lamar	59	46
Long	44	58
Milam	61	55
Parker	74	72
Pease	70	65
Rusk	68	79
Santa Rita	75	82
Scharbauer	66	61
South	42	44
Travis	42	44
Washington	53	66
Yarbrough	66	68

	Fourth Grade Math 2017	Math 2018
District	65	73
Bonham	62	73
Bowie	68	80
Bunche	62	66
Burnet	69	83
Bush	43	68
Carver	100	99
DeZavala	71	72
Emerson	65	67
Fannin	69	-
Fasken	87	-
Franks	-	78
Greathouse	85	74
Henderson	61	62
Houston	58	52
Jones	65	71
Lamar	58	68
Long	53	71
Milam	69	71
Parker	68	66
Pease	79	78
Rusk	77	78
Santa Rita	69	68
Scharbauer	66	69
South	35	42
Travis	31	34
Washington	65	73
Yarbrough	70	71

	Fourth Grade Writing 2017	Writing 2018
District	51	52
Bonham	63	49
Bowie	56	69
Bunche	46	34
Burnet	47	52
Bush	41	45
Carver	100	98
DeZavala	56	56
Emerson	49	61
Fannin	54	53
Fasken	75	74
Franks	-	73
Greathouse	63	62
Henderson	51	34
Houston	38	46
Jones	61	59
Lamar	54	32
Long	35	31
Milam	45	40
Parker	67	64
Pease	58	52
Rusk	65	55
Santa Rita	52	64
Scharbauer	48	39
South	32	28
Travis	28	17
Washington	48	55
Yarbrough	57	51

	Fifth Grade Reading 2017	Reading 2018
District	62	70
Bonham	59	68
Bowie	82	82
Bunche	38	50
Burnet	54	63
Bush	51	71
Carver	100	100
DeZavala	50	59
Emerson	69	62
Fannin	63	71
Fasken	76	80
Franks	-	84
Greathouse	75	81
Henderson	64	75
Houston	37	60
Jones	53	81
Lamar	53	61
Long	62	57
Milam	62	64
Parker	79	74
Pease	67	79
Rusk	78	83
Santa Rita	64	73
Scharbauer	60	68
South	49	75
Travis	36	32
Washington	61	59
Yarbrough	60	74

	Fifth Grade Math 2017	Math 2018
District	74	77
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Fannin	74	76
Fasken	81	86
Franks	-	84
Greathouse	80	84
Henderson	87	79
Houston	67	90
Jones	79	77
Lamar	62	76
Long	70	79
Milam	49	59
Parker	91	84
Pease	83	90
Rusk	86	83
Santa Rita	66	67
Scharbauer	72	86
South	58	74
Travis	55	29
Washington	77	66
Yarbrough	64	75

	Fifth Grade Science 2017	Science 2018
District	69	71
Bonham	78	83
Bowie	92	84
Bunche	65	57
Burnet	62	62
Bush	71	86
Carver	100	100
DeZavala	61	70
Emerson	67	63
Fannin	75	64
Fasken	88	86
Franks	-	86
Greathouse	70	87
Henderson	73	52
Houston	47	60
Jones	48	75
Lamar	51	66
Long	73	70
Milam	53	59
Parker	84	84
Pease	71	76
Rusk	90	83
Santa Rita	65	74
Scharbauer	62	65
South	42	72
Travis	38	31
Washington	67	55
Yarbrough	51	75

	Sixth Grade Reading 2017	Reading 2018
District	62	62
Bonham	74	76
Bowie	85	72
Bunche	48	46
Burnet	59	41
Bush	61	
Carver	100	99
DeZavala	49	48
Emerson	75	65
Fannin	76	77
Fasken	64	80
Franks	-	63
Greathouse	71	77
Henderson	80	67
Houston	59	45
Jones	58	76
Lamar	41	46
Long	39	56
Milam	51	50
Parker	52	72
Pease	68	74
Rusk	62	64
Santa Rita	71	54
Scharbauer	66	57
South	54	55
Travis	33	30
Washington	54	63
Yarbrough	70	62

	Sixth Grade Math 2017	Math 2018
District	72	73
Bonham	74	78
Bowie	92	96
Bunche	49	64
Burnet	61	56
Bush	77	70
Carver	100	100
DeZavala	66	63
Emerson	67	73
Fannin	84	81
Fasken	86	92
Franks	-	59
Greathouse	84	79
Henderson	81	84
Houston	65	61
Jones	61	69
Lamar	48	62
Long	57	72
Milam	59	61
Parker	83	88
Pease	91	80
Rusk	70	53
Santa Rita	76	66
Scharbauer	76	60
South	58	71
Travis	55	63
Washington	88	68
Yarbrough	79	75

	Seventh Grade Reading 2017	Reading 2018
District	58	54
Abell	62	54
Alamo	55	49
Goddard	57	57
San Jacinto	57	44
MAP	20	38

	Seventh Grade Math 2017	Math 2018
District	51	51
Abell	53	53
Alamo	43	41
Goddard	57	58
San Jacinto	49	45
MAP	20	13

	Seventh Grade Writing 2017	Writing 2018
District	53	50
Abell	57	48
Alamo	48	45
Goddard	56	54
San Jacinto	48	52
MAP	0	38

	Eighth Grade Reading 2017	Reading 2018
District	67	60
Abell	72	66
Alamo	62	45
Goddard	69	66
San Jacinto	63	61
MAP	50	11

	Eighth Grade Math 2017	Math 2018
District	74	72
Abell	57	63
Alamo	61	59
Goddard	72	75
San Jacinto	72	69
MAP	33	11

	Eighth Grade Science 2017	Science 2018
District	64	60
Abell	69	59
Alamo	56	59
Goddard	68	69
San Jacinto	65	69
MAP	33	11

	Eighth Grade Social Studies 2017	2018
District	51	49
Abell	62	56
Alamo	43	32
Goddard	51	57
San Jacinto	44	43
MAP	25	11

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Under God's wings they find refuge; in the Second amendment they find strength

By David Montgomery
Stateline.org

SUTHERLAND SPRINGS — Before Nov. 5, 2017, Sutherland Springs seemed to be little more than a reduced speed zone on U.S. 87, a short stretch of highway with two gas stations, a Dollar General store and a flashing traffic light.

Now, seven months after a former serviceman with a bad conduct discharge stormed the First Baptist Church to carry out one of the worst mass murders in recent U.S. history, this town about 35 miles southeast of San Antonio is on the mend but still struggling with loss.

The community is so small — population 600 — yet it endured violence on such a large scale. Seemingly no one in Sutherland Springs, even those who weren't in the First Baptist Church that Sunday morning, went untouched by the shooting frenzy unleashed by Devin Patrick Kelley.

Larry Keeble, a 53-year-old home inspector, lost at least 10 good friends, including his Tuesday night handmate Robert "Bob" Corrigan, a gifted guitarist. After hearing of the shooting, he recalls, "I texted Bob right away and said, 'You'd better be OK.' I didn't get a response."

The Nov. 5 mass killing took the lives of 26 people, including an unborn child, and left at least 20 others wounded, some severely. Nearly half of the dead were children, an image that remains indelibly fixed in the memories of first-responders and others who arrived within minutes after the shooting.

But people here say the story of Sutherland Springs is not only a tale of suffering and upturned lives. It's also the story of a tiny but unbreakable community where neighbors have helped neighbors walk the long road back.

"Nov. 5 did not define Sutherland Springs," said Stephen Willeford, the 55-year-old Sutherland Springs resident who exchanged gunfire with the assailant, ultimately putting an end to the bloodshed. "It just shined a light on who we always were. We're the community that pulls together and has always. And we're the community that focuses on God and has always before this."

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Passing motorists still slow down to gaze wimberly at crosses beside the highway. Some stop to go inside the former church, which has been painted white and repurposed as a memorial with 26 white chairs inscribed in gold with the names and nicknames of the victims.

For those who lost loved ones, the grief endures, even as they struggle to resume their workaday lives. "You think that with time, it gets easier," says a tearful Maria Salas of Atascosa, Texas, whose sister, JoAnn Ward, died along with two young daughters whom she tried to shield from the gunfire. "It doesn't. It still hurts as much as it did that day."

But Sutherland Springs also has shown a resilience rooted in the community's unbridled Christian faith.

"We are a people who trust the Lord and pull ourselves up," says First Baptist Church Pastor Frank Pomeroy. "Not by our own bootstraps, as the old saying goes, but ... up by God's bootstraps."

David Colbath, a 56-year-old contractor and a member of the church for a quarter of a century, was shot at least eight times and was told by doctors performing surgery that bullets were falling out of him. His arm was rebuilt, and a bullet that hit a rib in front of his heart remains lodged in his side.

After multiple surgeries and rehabilitation alongside wounded combat veterans at Brooke Army Medical Center in San Antonio, Colbath now travels on speaking engagements to tell of his experience and the healing power of God. He and the Pomeroys last month attended the National Day of Prayer in Washington, where Vice President Mike Pence gave them a tour of the West Wing.

"I don't believe I've had a low point since that day," Colbath told reporters at the time. "My rehabilitation will be continual but I would like to be able to go anywhere I can and speak of God's goodness and God's grace."

First Baptist Church hasn't missed a Sunday service since the attack, though worshippers now meet in a temporary sanctuary beside the original church. Attendance has surged to about 150 to 175 each Sunday, more than three times the attendance before the shooting.

Wearing a legally permitted pistol on his hip (he has carried one for years) and a trademark novelty tie, Pomeroy conducts worship services with an exuberant informality, referring to his congregants as "guys" and inviting members to get out of their seats to shake hands with fellow worshippers.

The worship leader is Kris Workman, 34, who plays the guitar and sings from his wheelchair near the pulpit. He was under a pew in November when the gunman stood over him and fired into his spine, severing the L-2 vertebra and leaving Workman partially paralyzed.

After five surgeries and weeks of therapy and recovery, Workman has returned to his job with Rackspace in San Antonio. Although doctors have told him he will never regain the use of his legs, Workman says he now has some function in his left leg.

"God is working, God is big, and if he decides that I'm going to walk again, I'll walk again," Workman said. "And if he doesn't, that's OK, too. You know, it doesn't matter, because whatever I'm intended to do, it's not a surprise to God, and (if) that includes me being in a wheelchair, that's OK."

Frank and Sherri Pomeroy, who have been married 32 years, were out of town during the shooting, but they were not spared from personal loss. Their 14-year-old daughter, Annabelle, was killed. She had been doing particularly well in school and was excited about landing a part in a school play.

In a nearly hourlong weekday interview at a concrete table outside the church, Pomeroy said his wife is "still very fragile" since Annabelle's death. He had to pause as he talked of his daughter. But overall, Pomeroy said, his approach to grieving has been to try to move ahead.

"I keep the memories with me, but I take them with me and move forward," he said. "And knew that she's moving forward with me."

Pomeroy says he has forgiven the gunman but believes some in Sutherland Springs have been unable to do so. The minister also suggests that his feelings on the subject might have been more complex had Kelley survived to stand trial.

"I'd like to say I would still have forgiven so easily I did," he said. "He still has to be held accountable for his actions." Pomeroy blames failures in the mental health system and overlooked warning signs for contributing to the violence and adds: "I think evil came into that place through that boy."

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Three months after Sutherland Springs, 14 students and three staff members were shot to death at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla. The death toll from the Feb. 14 attack surpassed the Columbine High School massacre in 1999 as America's deadliest high school shooting.

Three months after Parkland, a 17-year-old suspect using his father's shotgun and a revolver opened fire in a first-period art class in Santa Fe High School near the Texas Gulf Coast, about 220 miles from Sutherland Springs. Eight students and two teachers were killed.

"Every time there's a shooting, it hits right square in the middle of your heart if you're one of the ones that have been through it," said Morgan Colbath, David Colbath's son, who has since moved in with his father and helps run the contracting business. The younger Colbath said his father cried after hearing about the violence in Santa Fe.

Residents of Sutherland Springs wasted little time in preparing to send a supportive banner to Santa Fe. It has become a grim American tradition. A banner from residents of Las Vegas, where 58 concertgoers were killed by a gunman last October, hangs outside Sutherland Springs First Baptist Church. "#VegasStrong sends wishes of strength and healing to Sutherland Springs, Texas."

But while Parkland students have gained national attention by demanding that Congress and the Trump administration enact tough new gun control measures, Sutherland Springs residents have expressed a sharply different point of view: their right to arm themselves.

Willeford, who sprinted barefoot from his house with an AR-15 to confront Kelley at the start of a chase that ended in the gunman's death from a self-inflicted gunshot, was hailed as a hero at the recent National Rifle Association convention in Dallas. He also tells his story in an NRA advertisement.

"I was terrified and dead-calm at the same time," the fourth-generation Sutherland Springs resident said in a recent telephone interview, recalling his confrontation with the shooter.

Many residents of Sutherland Springs and the surrounding rural area keep pistols, shotguns and rifles to fend off feral hogs and the occasional water moccasin from nearby Cibolo Creek. But Kelley's attacks heightened concern about the need for self-protection from human violence.

In Wilson County, which includes Sutherland Springs, gun license applications in November increased 167 percent over the previous November, according to an analysis of state data by the San Antonio Express-News.

Fred Ohmsorge, who owns Acme Guns and Gear in nearby Floresville, said between 25 and 40 people took advantage of its free gun license courses, which it offered in the aftermath of the shooting.

"Sutherland Springs may not be a town you want to mess with any more," asserts Willeford, a former NRA instructor who says his actions in confronting the shooter embodied a central tenet of the NRA. "The best way to stop a bad guy with a gun is a good guy with a gun."

"The illogical rhetoric that came out of Parkland was depressing," Pomeroy said. He says that tragedy became "politicized" and "was overtaken by ideology."

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Tensions flared within the Sutherland Springs community earlier this year amid social media criticism questioning the distribution of thousands of donations that have poured in from around the world. Church leaders say none of the money designated for victims is being used to construct a new church. And the controversy appears to have died down.

Church officials say the donations specified for victims have paid for a range of expenses, from retrofitting homes for disabled victims to medical supplies, utility bills and living expenses. The church's Restoration Committee, saying it is still counting donations, has not released its totals.

At least $3 million had been raised from other funds, according to a Dallas Morning News analysis in early April. Texas Gov. Greg Abbott in March released $2.3 million in state aid to enable at least a half-dozen schools and organizations, including the University of Texas at San Antonio and the county mental health authority in Floresville, to provide services to victims, including therapy for trauma, legal services, grief counseling, holiness and bereavement services.

The Republican governor also convened a three-day roundtable discussion on gun violence immediately after Santa Fe. The conference produced more than 40 recommendations, including for greater law enforcement presence in schools and tougher safeguards on gun storage. Pomeroy, Willeford, Colbath and Workman were among the third day participants.

One outgrowth of the Santa Fe tragedy was the enactment of a new federal law to repair weaknesses in the national criminal database system.

Republican U.S. Sen. John Cornyn of Texas pushed the measure through Congress following outrage over disclosures that the Air Force failed to report that Kelley had been convicted of domestic abuse during his time in the service which should have prevented him from buying guns.

Several Sutherland Springs families have lodged negligence claims against the federal government, the first step toward formal lawsuits, alleging that the Air Force was responsible for the deaths of their loved ones.

Among the petitioners are the Holcombes, husband Joe, 86, and wife Claryce, 85. Their family lost nine of its own, including an unborn child, Carlos Brite "Billy Bob" Holcombe. The losses cut across three generations and to a large degree made the Holcombe family the face of the Sutherland Springs tragedy.

The couple's petition declared that negligence by the Air Force created a "dangerous condition" that resulted in the death of their 68-year-old son, John Bryan Holcombe, who was the visiting pastor the day of the shooting. He was shot in the back as he was walking to the pulpit.

In a phone interview from the couple's farm near Floresville, Joe Holcombe declined to discuss the negligence claim, but he exuded a sense of inner peace as he talked of the losses as part of God's plan.

"We know we're in God's will, and God sometimes takes things from us," he said. "We know this travel on Earth is soon going to end for us because we're old and when it happens, we'll be where our son and the rest of the family is."

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Kris Workman, 34, performs from his wheelchair at Sutherland Springs Baptist Church while the Rev. Frank Pomeroy, 52, wearing a Kimber 9mm pistol, stands at the pulpit on a recent Sunday morning. Workman was partially paralyzed during the November 5 shooting. Pomeroy's 14-year-old daughter, Annabelle, was killed. The pastor is a strong supporter of gun rights and the Second Amendment; he has a Texas gun license, and he has worn a pistol for years.

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Man arrested on stalking charge

From staff reports

A Midland man was arrested Thursday after allegedly stalking a female, according to court documents.

Alexander Frank Lozano, 26, was being held Friday on a $75,000 bond for a third-degree felony charge of stalking.

A car was stopped at a red light at about 1:45 p.m. Thursday when Midland police detectives observed a man exit the car and walk toward another stopped vehicle.

The car's driver — later identified as Lozano — allegedly had followed the other vehicle, which was driven by a female. Days earlier, police issued Lozano a criminal trespass from the female's residence and told him not to contact her, according to his arrest affidavit.

Lozano

After the order, Lozano texted the female and was believed to have called her various times from multiple phone numbers, according to the affidavit. He also allegedly entered the female's unlocked vehicle and stole a book, which was later returned.

If convicted of the third-degree felony charge, Lozano could face up to 10 years imprisonment.

Crime of the week

Midland Crime Stoppers is offering a $1,000 cash reward for information leading to the arrest of person(s) responsible for committing the following theft in Midland County.

Midland County sheriff's deputies met with the complainant in the 4800 block of South County Road 1210 in reference to three trucks that were stolen from the company between June 19 and June 21. The trucks were driven to a lease road where the blowers were removed and then driven back to the business. Each blower weighs in excess of 800 pounds, so it is believed more than one suspect was involved. The total value of the blowers is more than $32,000.

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Texas is near the top of the shopping list for foreign property buyers

By Steve Brown
The Dallas Morning News

Political tensions haven't kept foreign buyers from snapping up U.S. real estate.

And Texas has one of the largest shares of international commercial real estate investment, according to a just-completed study by the National Association of Realtors.

China and Mexico — two countries that have been in the crosshairs of the Trump administration — still account for the largest share of commercial property buys by foreign investors, the Realtors found in their new survey.

China had about 20 percent of the purchases since 2016 and Mexico accounted for 11 percent, the trade organization said.

Canada was third with an 8 percent investment share, followed by the U.K. with 6 percent.

Texas ranked as the second most popular buying location for foreign investors with a 16 percent share of total transactions, the Realtors found.

Florida was first with 23 percent of the international property deals.

The Realtors study tracked smaller commercial property buys — not the big landmark buildings — which most foreign investors focus on. The average purchase price was just under $4 million.

Realtors polled said their international commercial real estate business increased about 35 percent in the last five years.

"The profile of smaller commercial markets is continuing to rise as many foreign investors are attracted to smaller-sized properties in secondary and tertiary markets," Lawrence Yun, Realtors chief economist, said in the report. "Since 2016, world economies have regained their footing and have pressed toward higher ground.

"Global economic output increased in 2017, and commercial real estate continues to be a healthy investment for global investors."

Apartments were at the top of foreign investors' U.S. shopping list, followed by industrial buildings and land, the Realtors association found.

The biggest share of their purchases — 70 percent — were all-cash with no financing.

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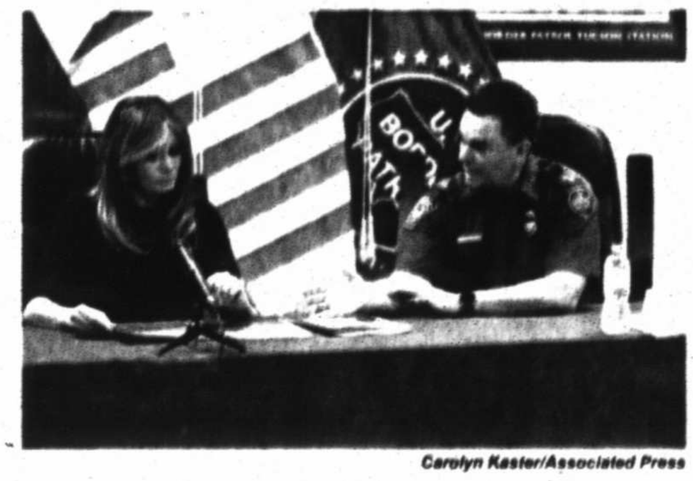
Melania Trump seeing lots, saying little at migrant centers

By Laurie Kellman
Associated Press



Carolyn Kaster/Associated Press

First lady Melania Trump talks with Rodolfo Karisch, Chief Patrol agent, Tucson Sector Border Patrol, as she visits a U.S. Customs border and protection facility Thursday in Tucson, Ariz. Melania Trump, an immigrant and a mother herself, wanted to find out more about how her husband's strict immigration policy was playing out on the ground, especially among families that have been separated at the border. Two tours of detention centers along the southern border in a week gave her an explicit and sometimes grim view. Now the question is what she does with that knowledge — and how she meshes it with her "hate" for dividing up families and belief in "strong borders."

WASHINGTON — Melania Trump lit up when a 3-year-old boy darted out of "Family Unit 8" at a migrant center in Tucson, Arizona.

"Hello!" said the first lady, brightening amid the semicircle of eight cells in a short-term holding center for migrants. "How are you?"

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Spokeswoman Stephanie Grisham says more border visits or talks with lawmakers are possible, but it's not clear what lessons the first lady took from her visits and what she'll communicate to her husband.

"She cares about children deeply," Grisham said. "She also believes in strong border laws and treating everybody equally."

The first lady has given her husband her views on controversial political issues throughout his presidency, but never in such a public way as with the issue of immigrant children.

Before her husband reversed himself and put a halt to separations at the border, Mrs. Trump's office put out a statement saying the first lady "hates" to see families separated and expressing hope that "both sides of the aisle" can reform the nation's immigration laws. She did not say whether she supports the president's "zero tolerance" policy for criminally prosecuting those who cross the border illegally.

"This is a complex issue," Grisham said. "She recognizes that."

The sights and sounds of Mrs. Trump's visits to border facilities in Texas and Arizona amounted to a hard-to-forget information file about the 2,000 children separated from their families nationally.

Thursday's visits to a migrant center and a school provided Mrs. Trump with indelible images and facts on the perils for families crossing the desert, the challenges for law enforcement and what happens to illegal border crossers and their children when they are caught.

Despite the camera-ready nature of the events, some of the images were bleak: a cell block, doors open at the time, where minors are sorted into "Females," "Males" and "Processed" and "Unprocessed." Six expressionless teenage boys seated on a bench outside their cell. A daycare for children under 2 and a few mothers — also minors.

At a Tucson roundtable with law enforcement officials responsible for hundreds of miles of border, the first lady asked how many children cross the desert alone. One official told her a 16-year-old was raped on her journey into the U.S. and gave birth in federal custody.

Another official showed Mrs. Trump a picture that seemed to take her aback. It appeared to be a photo described as showing a 6-year-old boy who was found crossing the desert alone with a soda bottle and a note saying he was looking for his mother. Reporters later learned that the boy is alive.

The first lady at times deliberately leaves her message unclear.

On her first trip to the border, her choice of clothing left everyone scratching their heads, with the inscription on the back of her jacket that read, "I really don't care, do u?"

On her second visit, her wardrobe was understated. But Mrs. Trump didn't expound on her view of her husband's immigration policy.

That didn't stop critics of the Trump administration from lumping her in with her husband.

In Phoenix, as the first lady's motorcade approached a sprawling Southwest Key migrant facility, protesters lined the sidewalk amid a big inflatable likeness of her husband, dressed in a white robe and holding a hood reminiscent of the Ku Klux Klan.

"Melania Trump is guilty, guilty, guilty!" the protesters chanted of the first lady, who is from Slovenia and came to the United States on a special visa during her modeling career.

Inside, she stopped at an air-conditioned trailer marked No. 4 that held 10 boys and girls around 5 years old.

"Do you like it here with some friends?" Mrs. Trump asked.

"Sí," said one girl.

A few protesters screamed from a nearby balcony that overlooked the compound's playground as Mrs. Trump's retinue shifted buildings.

Then came perhaps the most sobering stop, to another cooled room containing nine babies and toddlers, and four of their moms.

Mrs. Trump stepped onto the carpet in her sneakered feet and squatted down to get closer to the children, still sleepy from recent naps. She glanced up toward the women standing nearby and asked, "Who are the moms?" One woman from Honduras raised a hand. "Where is your baby?" the first lady asked. A translator helped the young woman point out a boy, 14 months old. An official traveling with Mrs. Trump said there were 121 children there and their average stay was 48 days.

The balcony was empty by the time Mrs. Trump departed.

At the gates of the compound, some protesters tried briefly to jog alongside the first lady's motorcade as it sped, lights flashing, toward the airport and the four-hour flight back to Washington.

West Point gets 1st black superintendent

Associated Press

WEST POINT, N.Y. — Lt. Gen. Darryl A. Williams, a 1983 U.S. Military Academy graduate who has held high-ranking Army posts in Europe and Asia, will become the first black officer to command West Point in its 216-year history, academy officials announced Friday.

Williams will assume command as the academy's 60th superintendent during a ceremony Monday morning at West Point's Jefferson Hall, school officials said.

The native of Alexandria, Virginia, has served as the deputy chief of staff for the U.S. Army in Europe and the deputy commanding general for support for the 2nd Infantry Division in South Korea. Most recently Williams was commander of NATO's Allied Land Command, based in Turkey.

West Point, founded in 1802 along the west bank of the Hudson River 50 miles north of New York City, didn't graduate its first black cadet until the Reconstruction in 1877. No black cadet had graduated in the 20th century when Benjamin O. Davis Jr. arrived on there in 1932.

Davis ate alone, roomed alone and was shunned by fellow cadets because he was black. After graduating in 1936, he went on to command the Tuskegee Airmen during World War II and retired as an Air Force general in 1970. West Point recently named its newest cadet barracks for Davis.

The announcement of Williams' appointment comes less than a year after an African-American cadet and Rhodes Scholar was selected to take the top position in West Point's cadet chain of command. Simone Askew, of Fairfax, Virginia, was selected first captain of the Corps of Cadets last summer and graduated in May.

The academy recently announced that the more than 1,200-member incoming class of 2022 includes 186 African-Americans.

Williams takes over from Lt. Gen. Robert L. Caslen Jr., who's retiring after more than 40 years in the Army, including the last five years as West Point's superintendent.

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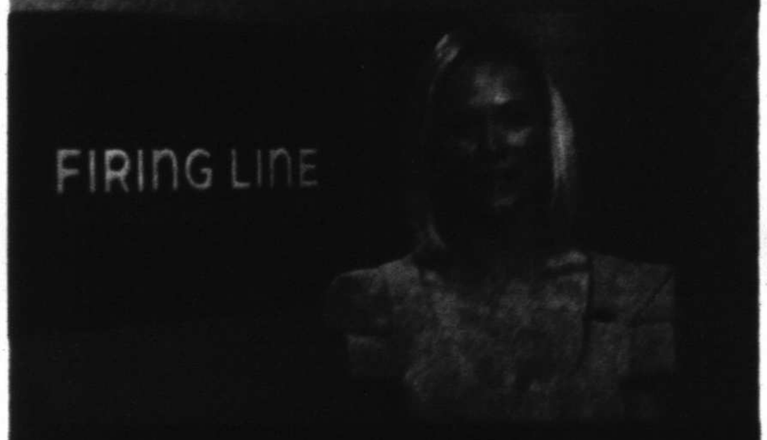

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Source: City of Midland

West Texas

County	Avg. price	Median price	Months of Inventory
Midland	$350,890	$302,500	1.3
Ector	$219,776	$199,900	1.4
Lubbock	**$194,343**	**$163,000**	**3.1**
Tom Green	**$198,191**	**$178,000**	**3.0**
Taylor	**$184,745**	**$161,500**	**3.1**

Midland vs. Larger population centers

County	Avg. price	Median price	Months of Inventory
Midland	$350,890	$302,500	1.3
Travis	**$449,536**	**$359,000**	**2.6**
Collin	**$378,180**	**$337,771**	**3.2**
Dallas	**$380,751**	**$255,000**	**2.5**
Harris	**$308,563**	**$220,500**	**3.5**
Bexar	**$254,938**	**$215,000**	**3.1**
Tarrant	**$295,901**	**$238,000**	**2.1**

Source: Texas A&M Real Estate Center

Home prices in Midland dwarf other West Texas communities

From staff reports

The average and median price of a home in Midland County was more than $100,000 greater than the average and median home prices in neighboring Ector County during the month of May, according to statistics from the Texas A&M Real Estate Center.

Posting an average price of $350,890 and median price of $302,500, Midland County ran away with the lead as far as the costliest residential property in West Texas.

Of the counties that include the cities of Lubbock, Abilene, San Angelo and Odessa, only Ector County reported an average more than $200,000. None reported a median price of more than $200,000.

Midland County was in the greater than average in a comparison with five larger population centers. Only Collin and Travis counties reported greater average and median prices. The average price in Dallas was higher than Midland. The average and median in Midland County was greater than the same statistics in Bexar, Tarrant and Harris counties.

BLS: Midland ties for sixth lowest unemployment rate in US

- BLS: Midland leads nation in percentage gain in employment

From staff reports

Midland had the largest year-over-year percentage gain in employment during the month of May, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The BLS reports growth of 11.3 percent, which was better than second-place Ocean City, New Jersey's 7.4 percent. The BLS shows Midland with a civilian labor force of 99,674 in May. That was more than 1,000 greater than April (98,666) and nearly 9,000 greater than May 2017 (90,799). The number of unemployed dropped to 2,115 from 2,742 one year ago.

The BLS also reported Midland tied for the sixth lowest unemployment rate in the nation. Midland's 2.1 jobless rate was the lowest in Texas. The nation's two lowest unemployment rates in May were found in Iowa. Ames again posted the lowest rate, 1.5 percent; Iowa City was second at 1.8 percent. Honolulu was third at 1.9 percent. Midland tied with eight other metropolitan areas.

The number of communities with unemployment rates at 2.5 percent or lower also continued to increase in May. The BLS reported 52 areas, which was an increase from 30 in April. The BLS also reports 350 of 388 MSAs across the nation posted lower rates in May than one year earlier.

The lowest unemployment rates

In the nation during the month of May, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Ames, Iowa	**1.5**
Iowa City, Iowa	**1.8**
Honolulu, Hawaii	**1.9**
Kahului-Wailuku-Lahaina, Hawaii	**2.0**
Burlington, Vermont	**2.0**
Midland	2.1
Fort Collins, Colorado	**2.1**
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Rochester, Minnesota	**2.1**
Fargo, North Dakota	**2.1**
Madison, Wisconsin	**2.1**

Career website ranks Odessa, Midland among top job markets

From staff reports

Odessa and Midland are ranked third and fourth, respectively, on a career expert website's list of the best job markets.

Odessa had the smallest employed population of the top 10 at 68,280 but had the 10th best wage change of the entire list of 386 metropolitan areas with an annual mean wage of $47,160. Its unemployment rate was put at 2.8 percent.

San Mateo, California-based Zippia put Midland's employment population at 88,270-with an annual mean wage of $53,190. Midland's unemployment rate was 2.1 percent.

Topping Zippia's list was San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, California, followed by San Luis Obispo-Paso Robles-Arroyo Grande, California.

Following Odessa and Midland were Charleston-North Charleston, South Carolina; Blacksburg-Christiansburg-Radford, Virginia; Florence, South Carolina; Ann Arbor, Michigan; Waterloo-Cedar Falls, Iowa and Roanoke, Virginia.

Zippia studied 386 different metropolitan areas to rank each one on wage change, unemployment rate change and current unemployment rate.

The report noted the best job markets were spread out across the country.

Roberts, right of Kennedy, is new center of Supreme Court

By Mark Sherman
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Chief Justice John Roberts is the Supreme Court's new man in the middle. It's just that the middle may have moved well to the right.

The retirement of Justice Anthony Kennedy means Roberts probably will be the conservative justice closest to the court's four liberals, allowing him to control where it comes down in some of its most contentious cases.

Roberts will be the justice who determines "how far they go and how fast they go," said Washington lawyer John Elwood.

Kennedy played a similar role for many years — his votes on gay rights, abortion, the death penalty, the environment, voting rights and affirmative action basically determined the outcome of cases on which the court was divided between liberals and conservatives.

Roberts has typically been to Kennedy's right. He did not endorse a constitutional right to marry for same-sex couples. He dissented when the court struck down Texas abortion clinic restrictions in 2016. The chief justice also was in dissent from the court's first major climate change decision in 2007, when it held that the Environmental Protection Agency could regulate emissions of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases as air pollutants.

New cases on any of those issues could be before the court soon and, even if Roberts is not prepared to overrule major Supreme Court precedents, he could be in position to cut back on environmental protections as well as gay rights and abortion rights.

Smaller steps might be in keeping with Roberts' preference for avoiding major divides where possible, and attracting votes from both conservatives and liberals. The 63-year-old chief justice may be in no hurry to move quickly, as he could be on the bench another 15 to 20 years.

"Chief Justice Roberts, more than any other justice on the court, believes in narrow rulings that attract broad majorities, answering no more than necessary to resolve a given case," Jonathan Adler, a professor at the Case Western Reserve University School of Law, wrote on the Volokh Conspiracy legal blog.

In one sense, the Supreme Court's immediate future could look a lot like the term that just ended. Roberts seemed firmly in control of a court that overwhelmingly went conservative in divided cases, including upholding President Donald Trump's travel ban, striking a blow at public-sector labor unions, limiting workers' rights to band together to complain about pay and affirming Ohio's aggressive efforts to purge its voting rolls.

Only on one occasion did Roberts join with the liberal justices in a 5-4 decision, a ruling that said police generally must have warrants to get telecommunications companies' records showing where people have used their cellphones.

Twice, though, Roberts was among a larger grouping of justices in cases that skirted the big issue at stake, but that could return to the court. In one case, the justices rejected a lower-court ruling that set limits on redistricting for partisan gain, but without deciding whether limits ever could be imposed. In another, the court ruled in favor of a baker who would not create a wedding cake for a same-sex couple, yet left on the table the question of whether religious objections could be used to avoid complying with anti-discrimination laws that protect LGBT people.

For all his votes on the conservative side of issues, Roberts has had his critics on the right. They include Trump, who once labeled Roberts "an absolute disaster" for the chief justice's critical vote to uphold the Affordable Care Act in 2012. Trump has not publicly criticized Roberts since he's been president.

The case arose in the middle of the 2012 presidential campaign, in which Barack Obama was seeking re-election and the health care law also known as "Obamacare" was a major issue. Then, as now, the five conservatives were nominees of Republican presidents, while the four liberals were chosen by Democrats.

In the end, Roberts sided with the liberals, a decision some court observers have attributed in part to concern about public perceptions of the court and the chief justice's desire to be seen as above the political fray.

"He's conservative, but he is an institutionalist. He believes deeply in the Supreme Court," said George Washington University law professor Jonathan Turley.

A test of Roberts' ability to set the court's agenda could come on the topic of guns, said UCLA law professor Adam Winkler.

Roberts voted in favor of gun rights in two cases that held that Americans have the right to have guns, at least for self-defense in their homes. But the court has since rejected repeated attempts to expand on the right of gun ownership, in part because Roberts and Kennedy would not join the other conservative justices to take on a new case.

It takes the votes of four justices for the court to agree to review a case. If Kennedy's replacement is a fourth vote for a new case about guns, then Roberts might soon have to weigh in on issues like the right carry a concealed firearm in public or bans on assault weapons, Winkler said.

If a reshaped Supreme Court tosses abortion decisions back to states, several would move fast to outlaw the procedures

By Evan Halper
Los Angeles Times

President Donald Trump's ability to reshape the Supreme Court with a conservative nominee could quickly send the nation back to a reality that had seemed far in the past: Abortion would be illegal in a large swath of America, subjecting doctors and perhaps pregnant women to criminal prosecution and potentially upending the political landscape in many states.

As many as 17 states are poised to effectively ban abortion should the Supreme Court overturn Roe v. Wade, the 1973 decision that guaranteed abortion rights nationwide. If the decision were overturned, each state could set its own rules on abortion.

Trump vowed in his campaign that overturning Roe "will happen, automatically," if he were elected and could appoint justices to the court. More recently, as president, he criticized Roe for leading to "some of the most permissive abortion laws in the world."

Four justices are widely believed to favor reversing the 45-year-old ruling or severely restricting its reach. In replacing Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, who on Wednesday announced his retirement, Trump could supply the fifth vote for a majority.

Several anti-abortion states have already laid the groundwork to move fast, providing potential test cases that could get before a more conservative court within a year or two.

Iowa, for example, recently passed a law that prohibits abortions after a fetal heartbeat can be detected, which often takes place around the sixth week of pregnancy, before many women know they are pregnant. The law was set to take effect on July 1, but a state judge put it on hold in June.

"States are enacting laws that say, 'Take us to court, let this go all the way to the Supreme Court. We are confident now that it will go our way,'" said Carol Sanger, a law professor at Columbia University and author of a book on the history of abortion.

"Even if they don't strike down Roe, whittling it down is very effective. States can find new restrictions that make women pay financially, and also emotionally, by making them feel they are doing something shameful."

In 10 states, bans that existed before the Roe decision are still on the books and would take effect again should it be reversed, according to a report by the Guttmacher Institute, which tracks abortion laws. A few of those are blue states, including Massachusetts, which would presumably scrap their bans. Several, however — including Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, Oklahoma and West Virginia — are solidly conservative places where anti-abortion sentiment is strong.

Four states — Louisiana, Mississippi and North and South Dakota — have laws designed to ban abortion if Roe is overturned. And seven — Arkansas, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, Ohio and North Dakota — have laws that express the intention to limit abortion as much as the Supreme Court allows.

The lineup of states underscores a big difference between the situation that prevailed before Roe and what might happen if the decision were overturned: When Roe took effect, most states had banned abortion, and few allowed the procedure.

If Roe were overturned now, abortion bans would spring into effect in parts of the South and the nation's interior. Abortions would remain legal, however, in many of the nation's largest states, including California, which has a law expressly protecting abortion rights.

Women in conservative states who couldn't afford to travel to places where abortion was legal would be most at risk, experts in abortion law say.

In a number of states where voters are closely divided on the issue, the emotional politics of abortion likely would lead to a new period of political turmoil, where power could shift around an issue that for decades has not been a top concern for most voters.

"If the court rolls back Roe vs. Wade, abortion will become front and center of every state political debate and campaign," said Patrick Egan, a political scientist at New York University who has studied public opinion on the issue. "The extent to which states prohibit or make it more difficult to access legal abortion could become the battleground in the politics of many states for decades to come."

More than two-thirds of voters nationwide support keeping the Roe v. Wade ruling intact, according to a poll conducted last year by the nonpartisan Pew Research Center. Yet the politics of abortion get murky when voters are asked about specific restrictions. In several swing states, voters are closely divided, which could worsen the political tumult if the Supreme Court returns the issue to state control. That could add a new, unpredictable degree of volatility to the politics of swing states.

After decades of legal abortion being the law of the land, voters in even the most conservative states have been known to bristle at the idea of abolishing it outright.

When lawmakers in South Dakota passed an abortion ban in 2006, voters overturned it at the ballot soon after. A couple of years later, voters had the opportunity to vote on an abortion ban again. And again, they rejected it. Mississippi voters rejected a constitutional amendment declaring life begins at conception.

"These were surprising results," said Gerald Rosenberg, a professor of political science and law at the University of Chicago. "We know in the short run a lot of states would move to ban abortion. But we don't know what would happen in the long run."

Among the unknowns is the public's appetite for punitive measures, even in staunchly anti-abortion states. That could quickly be tested if bans that are already on the books take effect, said Leslie Reagan, a history professor at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Under several state laws, doctors who provide abortions illegally would risk prison sentences, as could the patients who seek them.

"Police used to go into the hospitals and emergency rooms trying to find evidence," said Reagan, author of the book When Abortion was a Crime. "They would stake out clinics and round up women as they left. Women would be threatened, interrogated and brought into court as witnesses against their providers."

Even patients who weren't seeking abortion, but had gone to the hospital after suffering a miscarriage, would often find themselves under suspicion. "It creates this whole atmosphere of suspicion of pregnant women in general, but any woman who loses a pregnancy before delivery," she said.

Some things have changed since the early 1970s. A black market for abortion services that might emerge today would offer safer options than those available five decades ago, when many patients died in botched back-alley abortions and public hospitals set up septic abortion wards to treat survivors. There was no abortion pill then. Often the only option was a coat hanger.

But scholars of abortion law say there's no question that the bans some states are pursuing would lead to the re-emergence of acute health and safety risks for patients.

Abortion rights advocates have made that risk a major point of their efforts to mobilize supporters.

"We are declaring a national emergency," Ilyse Hogue, president of NARAL Pro-Choice America, said Thursday in a call with reporters. "This is not a drill. The lawsuits necessary to overturn Roe and criminalize abortion and some forms of contraception are already moving through the courts."

Even if a reshaped court were to balk at fully overturning Roe, it could still empower states to severely restrict the availability of abortion services.

The upcoming midterm election, meanwhile, may signal which side can more effectively galvanize its supporters around the issue of abortion. Even as anti-abortion groups are motivated by the prospect of a long-sought victory being within reach, the alarm felt by voters who support abortion rights — many of whom have taken legal abortion for granted for decades — could translate into a potent political force.

"Our folks viscerally get it," Hogue said. "We cannot keep up with the calls that are pouring in. We are ready to fight this fight."

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The Capitol is seen at dawn in this March, 17, 2017, photo, in Washington. The Republican effort to shove broad, election-year immigration legislation through Congress has collapsed, but their ordeal over the politically searing issue is far from finished.

Q&A on next steps for GOP in Congress' immigration fight

By Alan Fram
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Republican effort to push broad, election-year immigration legislation through Congress has collapsed, but their ordeal over the politically searing issue is far from finished.

The government still holds more than 2,000 children taken from their detained migrant families, an exasperating public relations nightmare for many in the GOP. Nearly 700,000 young immigrants don't know if the courts will uphold President Donald Trump's attempt to terminate the program that protects them from deportation. And Trump still doesn't have the money he wants to erect his border wall with Mexico, vexing conservatives.

Many Republicans fear heading into the elections with those issues in limbo, especially the separated children, but the party is divided. While politics or court decisions may pressure lawmakers to try acting before November, Republican leaders want to avoid fractious battles that distract voters from their preferred campaign sales pitch: the solid economy.

A look at the path ahead on an issue that's defied congressional solutions for decades:

Why can't Republicans just blame Democrats?

They're trying that. It's true that when the House killed two GOP immigration bills in recent days, Democrats voted unanimously against them. It's also accurate that Democrats have enough votes in the narrowly divided Senate to kill any measure they oppose and helped sink a hard-right immigration plan in February backed by Trump.

But Republicans control Congress and the White House, and many concede that voters would fault them for inaction.

"Ultimately we're going to be held accountable on whether or not we solve this," said Rep. Jeff Denham, R-Calif., a moderate who helped force GOP leaders to stage this month's failed immigration votes.

Shouldn't it be easy to agree to keep children with their parents?

There's plenty of motivation for both parties to want to reunite children with adults being held for entering the U.S. without authorization. Many say they'll address it this summer. But immigration is never easy for Congress, particularly as elections approach.

Republicans are working on legislation erasing a federal court settlement that bars the government from detaining migrant children for more than 20 days. Because of the administration's "zero tolerance" policy of aggressively prosecuting people caught entering the country illegally, that deadline has produced more separations as more parents are held. Republicans are also considering more detention facilities and immigration judges.

What about Democrats?

Democrats and some moderate Republicans say ending the 20-day limit would keep families united at the unacceptable price of confining them together with no time limit. "Keeping families locked up indefinitely isn't a solution either," said Rep. David Valadao, R-Calif., another moderate.

Democrats favor simply barring the government from taking children from adults. When the 20-day limit for holding children expires, that means the entire family would be released under some supervision, perhaps ankle bracelets, and required to report for court dates. Republicans deride that as "catch and release" and ineffective.

Bipartisan Senate talks are underway, but no compromise has emerged in either chamber.

A federal judge in San Diego has ordered the administration to reunite families within a month. Lawmakers view that as a temporary solution and want to vote on the subject to showcase that they're taking action.

Didn't Trump's executive order solve the problem?

Trump has ordered the government to abandon his own policy of separating families.

But around 2,000 children already wrested from their parents remain in custody. A lawsuit in Seattle by 17 states, aimed at forcing the administration to reunite the families, challenges the order as insufficient and unfair.

And the court-mandated 20-day limit on detaining children remains in effect. With Trump still adamant about prosecuting aliens caught entering the U.S. and limited space for holding families, it's unclear how the administration will abide by that 20-day limit.

What happened to helping 'Dreamers'?

Still gridlocked.

Trump has tried ending the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, or DACA, which has temporarily let nearly 700,000 young "Dreamer" immigrants brought here as children stay in the U.S. It's a crucial issue for Republicans from competitive districts with suburban moderates or many Hispanic voters — seats the party must defend to retain its House majority.

Federal courts in New York and California have ordered Trump to continue DACA. But several states have sued to shut it down. If a federal judge in Texas rules in their favor — as many expect in July — that could speed the issue to the Supreme Court for a final decision.

If the justices nullify DACA before the election, Democrats and GOP moderates like Denham, Valadao and Rep. Carlos Curbelo, R-Fla., would likely renew their clamor to offer Dreamers a chance for citizenship. Conservatives reject that as amnesty, and the chances for congressional action are dim.

"This sort of failure to act increases the challenge for incumbents" in competitive Republican districts, said GOP pollster Whit Ayres.

Will Trump get his $25 billion to build the wall?

Congress will need to revisit that this fall when spending bills will be due to keep the government open past Sept. 30. Trump has suggested he'd "have no choice" but to force a shutdown over the wall, but Democrats and many Republicans oppose that spending.

Congressional GOP leaders would be aghast to see the Republican-run government shut down at the climax of the election campaign. Democrats will have plenty of leverage to resist, leaving that battle's outcome to the impetuous Trump.

Some Democrats with eye on 2020: 'Abolish ICE'

By Bill Barrow
Associated Press

ATLANTA — Several prominent Democrats who are mulling a bid for the White House in 2020 have sought to bolster their progressive credentials by calling for major changes to immigration enforcement, with some pressing for the outright abolition of the federal government's chief immigration enforcement agency. President Donald Trump responded on Twitter Saturday that it will "never happen!"

Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand of New York said Immigration and Customs Enforcement, known as ICE, has "become a deportation force," telling CNN late Thursday "you should get rid of it, start over, reimagine it and build something that actually works."

Her comments follow similar sentiments expressed by Sen. Kamala Harris of California over the past week. In interviews with multiple outlets, she has said the government "maybe" or "probably" should "start from scratch" on an immigration enforcement agency.

Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders, who sought the Democratic nomination in 2016 and is mulling another run, has stopped short of his colleagues' calls to dismantle ICE. But he has also been quick to note his vote opposing the 2002 law that paved the way for ICE to replace the old Immigration and Naturalization Service following the attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

Trump tweeted Saturday morning from New Jersey that Democrats "are making a strong push to abolish ICE, one of the smartest, toughest and most spirited law enforcement groups of men and women that I have ever seen." He noted the agency's work to counter MS-13 gang members.

He urged ICE agents to "not worry or lose your spirit," adding: "The radical left Dems want you out. Next it will be all police. Zero chance. It will never happen!"

Housed within the Department of Homeland Security, ICE is in charge of executing hundreds of federal immigration statutes. The debate over the agency's future follows the widespread outcry in recent weeks after the Trump administration separated more than 2,000 migrant children from their parents. Marches are scheduled across the country Saturday to protest the policy, which Trump later reversed.

The Democratic calls to scrap the agency underscore the balancing act the party is facing on immigration issues. Such rhetoric could prove unhelpful to the 10 Democratic senators seeking re-election this fall in states Trump carried in 2016, where conservative views on immigration prevail. But calling for an end to ICE could be a winner for Democrats seeking to rally the party's base in the 2020 presidential primaries.

Trump seems to relish the prospect of Democrats making the abolishment of ICE a campaign issue. "Well I hope they keep thinking about it. Because they're going to get beaten so badly," he said in an interview with Fox News Channel's "Sunday Morning Futures with Maria Bartiromo," according to an excerpt released Saturday. He added: "get rid of ICE you're going to have a country that you're going to be afraid to walk out of your house. I love that issue if they're going to actually do that."

Many anti-Trump activists, who are driving the Twitter hashtag #abolishICE, have celebrated the moves by Gillibrand, Harris and others.

Nelini Stamp, the national organizing director for the Working Families Party, one of many progressive groups that ratcheted up its activity after Trump's election, called it a "critical moment" in the early maneuverings for 2020.

"Any Democrats who want to be the nominee need to stand on the right side of this," Stamp said. "Even if they don't say 'abolish ICE,' they can't not address it."

Angel Padilla, policy director at the grassroots group Indivisible, said ICE "terrorizes communities" and that Gillibrand's move "demonstrates where the progressive base is."

Still, not every immigrant advocacy group takes the same view.

Cristobal Alex, president of the Latino Victory Project, a political action group that backs pro-immigration candidates, rejected ICE as a "litmus test." But he said it's "heartening" that immigration policy in general "is at the forefront of the conversation ahead of 2020."

Alex said his group has met privately with several potential presidential candidates.

Their focus, Alex said, should be on "stopping the long-standing culture of corruption" in U.S. immigration policy and "the appalling practices" of the Trump administration, not on a move that by itself "amounts to rebranding."

Indeed, the would-be presidential candidates haven't yet detailed what they propose in ICE's place. Before the border separation crisis, Harris had introduced legislation that would curb the expansion of immigration detention centers. She and Gillibrand and others have at least hinted that they would want the Justice Department's prosecutorial power less involved in border security.

Whatever the details, the focus on ICE could cause problems for some potential candidates with more conservative records on immigration.

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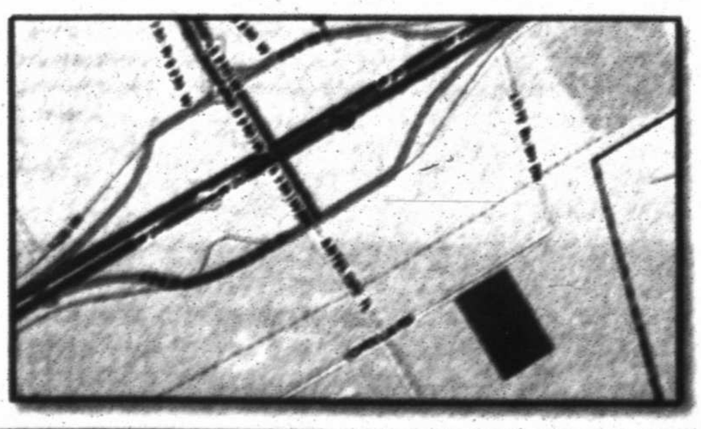

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- George Washington

"We have no government armed with power capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion. Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other." *- John Adams*

"Before any man can be considered as a member of civil society, he must be considered as a subject of the Governor of the Universe."
- James Madison

"And can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are of the gift of God? That they are not to be violated but with His wrath? Indeed I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just; that His justice cannot sleep forever."
- Thomas Jefferson

"Is it not that in the chain of human events, the birthday of the nation is indissolubly linked with the birthday of the Savior? That it forms a leading event in the progress of the Gospel dispensation? Is it not that the Declaration of Independence first organized the social compact on the foundation of the Redeemer's mission upon earth? That it laid the cornerstone of human government upon the first precepts of Christianity?"
- John Quincy Adams

SUPREME COURT RULINGS

"There is no dissonance in these [legal] declarations. ... These are not individual sayings, declarations of private persons: they are organic [legal, governmental] utterances; they speak the voice of the entire people. ...These, and many other matters which might be noticed, add a volume of unofficial declarations to the mass of organic utterances that this is a Christian nation."
- Church of the Holy Trinity v. U.S., 1892 (Unanimous Decision Declaring America a Christian Nation)

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FOUNDING FATHERS

"To the kindly influence of Christianity we owe that degree of civil freedom, and political and social happiness, which mankind now enjoys. ... Whenever the pillars of Christianity shall be overthrown, our present republican forms of government—and all blessings which flow from them—must fall with them." *- Jedidiah Morse*

"An appeal to arms and to the God of hosts is all that is left us! ... Sir, we are not weak if we make a proper use of those means which the God of nature hath placed in our power. ...
Besides, sir, we shall not fight our battles alone. There is a just God who presides over the destinies of nations and who will raise up friends to fight our battles for us. ... Is life so dear, or peace so sweet as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!"
- Patrick Henry

"I've lived, sir, a long time, and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth: That God governs in the affairs of men. If a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid? We've been assured in the sacred writings that unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it. I firmly believe this, and I also believe that without His concurring aid, we shall succeed in this political building no better than the builders of Babel."
- Benjamin Franklin

"THERE IS A JUST GOD WHO PRESIDES OVER THE DESTINIES OF NATIONS..."

SUPREME COURT JUSTICES

"The Bible is the best of all books, for it is the word of God and teaches us the way to be happy in this world and in the next. Continue therefore to read it and to regulate your life by its precepts."
- John Jay: First Chief Justice

"Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers, and it is the duty, as well as the privilege and interest of our Christian nation, to select and prefer Christians for their rulers."
- John Jay: First Chief Justice

"Human law must rest its authority ultimately upon the authority of that law which is Divine. ...For from being rivals or enemies, religion and law are twin sisters, friends, and mutual assistants. Indeed, these two sciences run into each other."
- James Wilson: Original Justice on the U.S. Supreme Court

"One of the beautiful boasts of our municipal jurisprudence is that Christianity is a part of the Common Law. ... There never has been a period in which the Common Law did not recognize Christianity as lying at its foundations. ... I verily believe Christianity necessary to the support of civil society."
- Joseph Story: U.S. Supreme Court Justice

CONGRESS

"We are a Christian people...not because the law demands it, not to gain exclusive benefits or to avoid legal disabilities, but from choice and education; and in a land thus universally Christian, what is to be expected, what desired, but that we shall pay due regard to Christianity?"
- Senate Judiciary Committee Report, January 19, 1853

"At the time of the adoption of the Constitution and the amendments, the universal sentiment was that Christianity should be encouraged. ... In this age there can be no substitute for Christianity. ... That was the religion of the founders of the republic and they expected it to remain the religion of their descendants."
- House Judiciary Committee Report, March 27, 1854

EDUCATION

"Let every student be plainly instructed and earnestly pressed to consider well the main end of his life and studies is to know God and Jesus Christ which is eternal life (John 17.3) and therefore to lay Christ in the bottom as the only foundation of all sound knowledge and learning. And seeing the Lord only giveth wisdom, let every one seriously set himself by prayer in secret to seek it of Him (Proverbs 2, 3). Every one shall so exercise himself in reading the Scriptures twice a day that he shall be ready to give such an account of his proficiency therein."
- Harvard 1636 Student Guidelines

"All the scholars are required to live a religious and blameless life according to the rules of God's Word, diligently reading the Holy Scriptures, that fountain of Divine light and truth, and constantly attending all the duties of religion."
- Yale 1787 Student Guidelines

FOREIGN OPINION

"The Americans combine the notions of Christianity and of liberty so intimately in their minds that it is impossible to make them conceive the one without the other."
- Alexis de Tocqueville: French observer of America in 1831, author of Democracy in America

"THERE IS NO COUNTRY IN WHICH THE PEOPLE ARE SO RELIGIOUS AS IN THE UNITED STATES... *The great number of religious societies existing in the United States is truly surprising: there are some of them for everything; for instance, societies to distribute the Bible; to distribute tracts; to encourage religious journals; to convert, civilize, educate...to take care of their widows and orphans; to preach, extend, purify, preserve, reform the faith; to build chapels, endow congregations, support seminaries...to establish Sunday schools...to prevent drunkenness, etc."*
- Achille Murat: French observer of America in 1832

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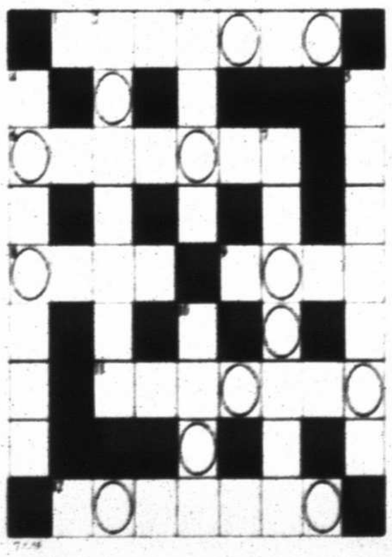

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2. Disregarded	DRONGIE
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4. Show of affection	MECRAEB
5. Fantec	NCDOEWS
7. Platform	SMURTOF
10. White House office	AVOL

BONUS

CLUE: This American entrepreneur has two stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame

How to play

Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS

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Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

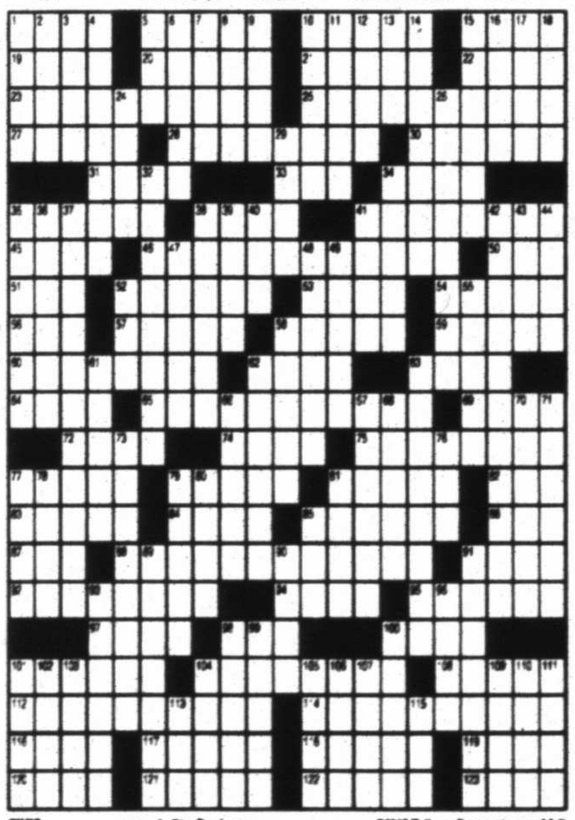
"COOL COMFORT"
By GAIL GRABOWSKI

ACROSS

1 Tip of
5 Iridescent stones
10 Broadway restaurant founder
15 Fancy window feature
19 Bizet's "Habanera," e.g.
20 Frequent co-star of Sly
21 From the top
22 Large volume
23 Bottom of a pie
25 Quality bedding material
27 Gourmet gastropod
28 Puts at risk
30 Ring components
31 Fish caught in pots
33 Stock ending?
34 Historic 1804 contest
35 Texas city in the film "Friday Night Lights"
38 Org. with a New London academy
41 Sries with jets
45 Leading the line
46 Where Petaluma is
50 Switchboard connection: Abbr.
51 Mil. driller
52 For hire to sire
53 It may be a lot
54 Wistful remark
56 Burn the toast, say
57 How much sautéing is done
58 Hate the idea of
59 Org. founded on the 100th anniversary of Lincoln's birth
60 "Dark of the Moon" poet
62 Hummus scooper
63 Farm bloc member
64 Religious faction
65 Room in some posh residences
69 Made off with
72 Barely done
74 Road closing?
75 Amazon predator
77 Brand with a Creamy Vodka sauce
79 1954 Ford debut
81 Great Plains tribe
82 Unc. to Dad
83 "It's not my first ___"
84 Choral part
85 Teaching model
86 Hugs, on cards
87 Manning of football
88 Tex-Mex dipper
91 Botch
92 Carriers of carriers
94 Pre-college: briefly
95 Female folklore fiend
97 Scoffing sounds
98 Rel. title
100 "She Believes ___": Kenny Rogers hit
101 Lash out at
104 Like parts of the Great Plains
108 Invited
112 Oakland-based environmental group
114 2009 Meryl Streep role
116 Author Dinesen
117 Ruin, with "up"
118 Part of PGA: Abbr.
119 Singer on a 2007 Black Heritage postage stamp, familiarly
120 Is just right
121 Bring to a boil
122 Lots of paper
123 Overly curious

DOWN

1 Pub hardware
2 Shillelagh's land
3 "___ With a 'Z'" 1972 TV special
4 Like the most summery day
5 Non-Rx
6 City awarded the 2024 Summer Olympic Games
7 Donor drive target
8 Sylvester's problem
9 Fill completely
10 Palatable
11 Well-coordinated
12 Super Bowl XXXIV champs
13 24 horas
14 On trial
15 Fifth-century Roman Empire foe
16 Revolution prefix
17 "Seriously?"
18 They're often cooped up
24 Pub round
26 Separate by
29 Mumbai melody
32 Alter sacrifice at times?
34 Enjoyed some courses
35 Init. a stages
36 College offering
37 Struggling student's option
38 Freed, in a way
39 iTunes Store category
40 MI authority
41 Intangible quality
42 Game player's purchase
43 Suit
44 Part of a pair
47 "___ Mio"
48 2002 Nobel Peace Prize laureate
49 View from much of U.S. Highway 101
52 Samaritan's offering
55 Can't get out of it
58 Like many soup veggies
61 Performer's place
62 Keep the beat?
63 Use, as one's resources
66 Last Supper question
67 Meditative discipline
68 Long, thin mushroom
70 Awful
71 Barbecue fare
73 Water-absorbing plant part
76 Tube top
77 Kitchen job
78 Case assignment
79 Protection from the elements
80 Short orders?
81 "Mayor" author
85 Prefix with -ware
89 "C'est magnifique!"
90 Big name in casual garb
91 Air out
93 Predatory fish with an acute sense of smell
96 Former car-financing org.
98 Green word?
99 Glowing piece
100 Beat around the bush, e.g.
101 "Get real"
102 Response to un caoilán
103 Administrative hub
104 Wattop
105 Just shy of shut
106 Trojan Horse, for one
107 Rick's "kid"
109 Drug bust unit
110 Some annexes
111 1944 turning point
113 Rip off
115 Coolers, briefly, that span two words in the nine longest answers



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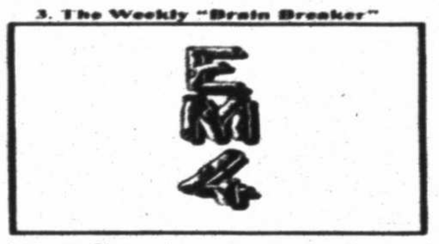

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AN INDUSTRY AT RISK

KEN HERMAN
Austin American-Statesman

Journalists are not the enemy of the people

We had a staff meeting Thursday afternoon here at your local newspaper. Nothing earth-shaking. American-Statesman Editor Debbie Hiott welcomed some great new hires and bright young interns. There was talk about recent journalism prizes won by staffers.

And we heard about progress toward upcoming changes, resulting from the new ownership, in how our print and online products will look. We also were told we need to hold the line on expenses while, like all newspapers, we work on pumping up revenue.

All in all, nothing really out of what's become the ordinary in our business. Just the ongoing challenge of newspapering in America in 2018 in a changed media landscape and with an elected leader who brands us as the enemy.

We're up to the challenge. We can live with it.

The meeting ended. We returned to our keyboards. Then, we saw the news from Annapolis.

"There is nothing more terrifying than hearing multiple people get shot while you're under your desk and then hear the gunman reload," Capital Gazette reporter Phil Davis tweeted.

Police say a man with a long-standing and unreasonable grudge against that unique city's newspaper escalated twisted animus into murderous action.

I didn't know any of the people who were killed. But I know people like them. I like people like them. Heck, I am people like them.

Our nation's journalism

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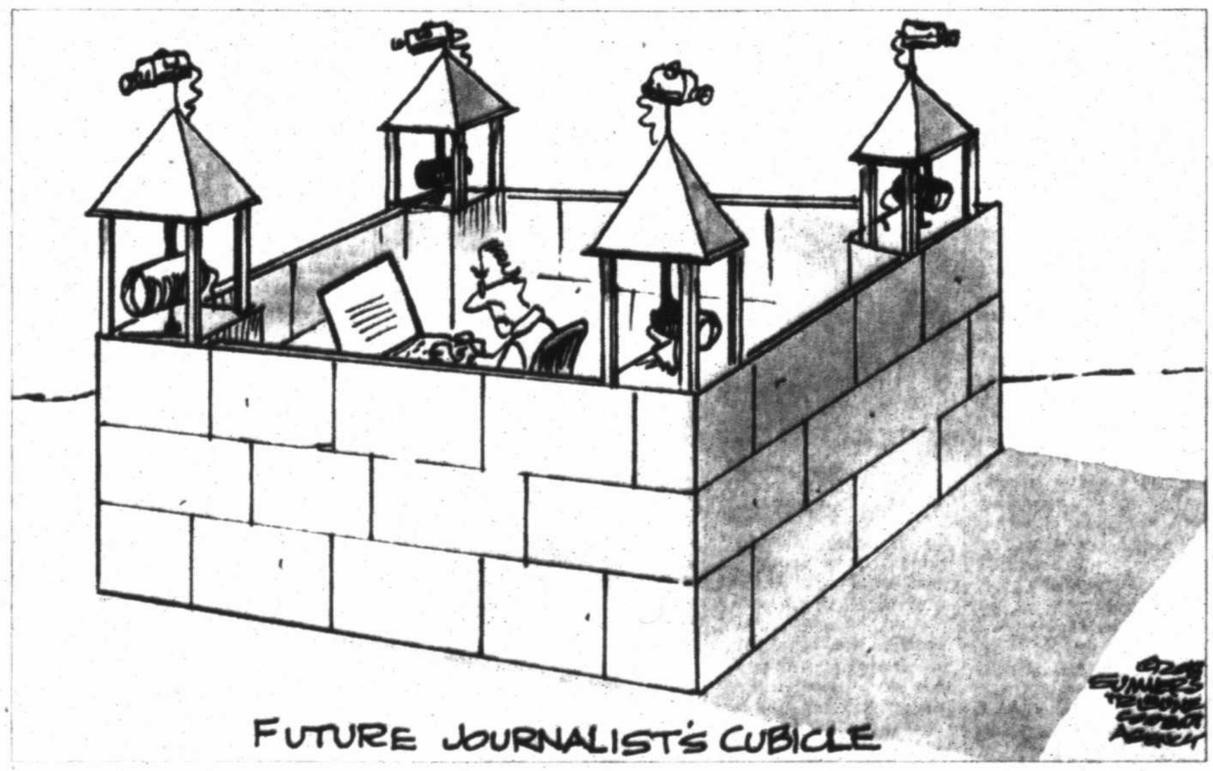

Journalists learn firsthand about these dangerous times

STEWART DOREEN
Editor

My heart goes out to the people killed and impacted in the shootings at the Capital Gazette newspaper in Annapolis, Maryland.

The employees at the Gazette are the latest in a long list of people impacted by those looking to bring evil on their fellow Americans. It is a sad commentary on who we are that this has become part of life in America, circa 2018. Shootings at schools, churches, newspapers, outdoor concert venues, military bases, movie theaters, nightclubs ... where's the next location that will be impacted? Stadiums?

Mass shootings have served as reminders of what 9/11 showed us: Americans aren't safe when someone wants to do harm, and there isn't a potential law that's going to change that.

I feel for those in the Capital Gazette newspaper building, not just because they are journalists or working in the industry. These were men and women who had families and were contributing members of their respective communities. That is what we try to do here in Midland. We have our good days and our days when the news isn't as good. People will get mad at us. That is part of the job.

This past week, we found out some will go as far as taking a shotgun into a building to settle their score. I can't imagine the horror that the deranged individual brought as he made good on his attempt to execute the defenseless one blast after another. I hope I never will.

I thought it was remarkable that the people on the Gazette staff still found the internal fortitude to get out a newspaper that day. Anyone who sees the front page will see they did a fantastic job of reporting the news while honoring those whose lives were taken. We should all strive for that degree of excellence.

Whenever I talk with people in the community about what we do, I often say a good journalist doesn't attempt to be the news. Maybe that is a reason I hold today's cable news culture in such contempt. Any reporting done is overshadowed by their personality-driven, agenda-centered spew of biased information. In the days after the shooting, some people will attempt to use the shooting inside those Maryland newspaper offices to advance their respective narratives. I will root for those who base their reporting on the facts and not the politics of the day or the self-centeredness of reporting because it happened in our industry. The tragedy at the Gazette was no more significant than the tragedies in Las Vegas, Santa Fe or Sutherland Springs.

If there was a magic pill that people could take to help dial down the hostility in our rhetoric, I would endorse its use. We have seen the temperature rise to unacceptable levels and have come to accept it as the way things are going to be. Here, we all bear responsibility. Please consider that when making your next social media post or sharing that next politically charged item. I hope, at the same time, we start dedicating real resources to mental health. That's where, I believe, people's focus should be if they want to prevent future mass killings.

We are not going to stop mass killings. We can use them, including the shootings at the Capital Gazette, to bring attention to the fact that our society is not well. And it needs a proper prescription to address its mental state.

Car door's smudge turns into teaching moment

MELANIE NICHOLAS

The kids and I were on a short trip last week, enjoying a little summertime rest and relaxation while The Hubs was working. We were driving along, when, being the law-abiding citizen and granny driver that I am, I used my right turn signal to change lanes. Instead of the slow, methodical tick, pause, tick, pause noise of my indicator, I got the rapid fire ticktickticktick sound the car makes when it needs a new blinker fuse.

Great, I thought to myself. On the road with the kids, and I could no more fix this on my own than I could make a pavlova or light the pilot light on the water heater. Now, if I were alone, I would throw caution to the wind and risk a failure-to-signal ticket and make The Hubs take care of it when I get home. But with the babies in the car, best to be safe and broadcast my intentions when on the highway.

Using the mighty power of Google, I was able to navigate to a nearby auto repair shop. We went in and explained the problem. In just a few minutes, the mechanic took care of it. I got the kids in the car and opened my door to climb inside. At that exact second, a giant, hot blast of wind hit that door and flung it wide. So wide, that it smacked right into the little economy car parked next to me.

You can guess the string of expletives that bounced around in my head. I always try to be careful with the doors, which are heavy. I loathe a door ding when I find one on my own car. Made worse because I had just finished getting onto Little Son at lunch because he wasn't watching his door well enough and nearly hit a car. I slowly rolled down the tinted front window, hoping I wouldn't see a ding. And I didn't. Instead, I saw a clear imprint of my door's edge, smudged down the other car — a 6-inch long smudge.

I sighed and rested my head on the steering wheel. From the back, Bodacious yelled, "drive!" Little Son, ever the conscience in the group, said, "That wouldn't be right." I kept my mouth shut, then looked up and around. I didn't see anyone. And y'all, I am going to

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Texans' views now look more like the rest of the country

By Ross Ramsey
Texas Tribune

■ ANALYSIS

If Texas ever really played counterpoint to national political trends, it's not doing it now. On many issues, the state is behaving a lot like the rest of the country, according to the latest University of Texas/Texas Tribune Poll.

Start on the Mexican border. Texas Republicans running for president have sometimes had difficulty explaining their border policies to voters in places like Iowa and New Hampshire. It happened in some measure to George W. Bush and, famously, to Rick Perry. Remember that "I don't think you have a heart" line about U.S.-born children of undocumented immigrants during a 2012 presidential debate?

That might've been a good answer at home, but it didn't play on the road.

That was six years ago. The latest UT/TT Poll shows Texas Republicans breaking pretty much the same way Republicans elsewhere broke on the immigration story of the moment. As they have for years, more than half of the self-identified Republicans among the state's registered voters listed "immigration" and "border security" as the top two problems facing the state.

But the Republican consensus splintered over separating children from parents who illegally enter the U.S. — with about a third opposed to the policy. Instead of that being the kind of local reaction you might expect along the biggest part of the U.S.-Mexico border, it turned out to be just the local version of a national break among Republican voters so significant that the president reversed his political position with an executive order.

Texas Democrats were predictably and overwhelmingly opposed to the administration's new "zero tolerance" policy on the border. Overall, more Texas Republicans approved of the separation than otherwise (46 percent to 35 percent), but the gender gap was unnerving in an election year: Republican women oppose separations, 37 percent to 42 percent, while Republican men support them, 56 percent to 30 percent.

Texans are more like the country in liberal ways, too. Texas Democrats used to be more like Texas Republicans on the death penalty, but now they're more like national Democrats — an unusual change of direction on what had been a pretty stable issue in terms of

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Village South at Manor Park

Obituaries

Camal Charles Dakil

Camal Charles Dakil, 82, of Midland, passed away surrounded by his family on Thursday, June 28, 2018.

The family will receive friends Sunday, July 1, 2018 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held Monday, July 2, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at First United Methodist Church.

A graveside service will be held Monday, July 2, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Camal was born April 24, 1936 to Blanche Marie Saied and Shakir Charles Dakil in Wellington, Texas. After his father died from a car accident when he was two years old, Camal and his mother moved in with his immigrant grandparents who came to the U.S. from Lebanon. He was raised with his uncles, who were more like his brothers and he was always surrounded by love. He also was blessed with a younger brother, George Farris, Jr., who was a very important part of his life.

Camal was a proud Wellington Skyrocket and participated in every sport and activity offered at his high school. He played center and quarterback for the football team, and he was also on the boxing, basketball, and tennis teams.

After he graduated from Wellington High School, Camal attended the University of Texas in Austin until he transferred to West Texas State University in Canyon, Texas. It was there that he met the love of his life, Nancy Lois Adcock, and they spent the next 62 years together. Camal is a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity and he graduated with a BA in Education and later went on to achieve his Master's Degree Plus 30. He and Nancy married young, had their children young, and always remained young at heart.

He started his career in education by coaching and teaching at Dumas Junior High, before moving to a counselor position at Midland High School. After a brief stint as a personnel manager for Windecker Industries, Camal joined Odessa College as a counselor and then became the founding Dean of Midland College, alongside President Al Langford. Starting the college was his life's purpose and he spent countless hours and 29 years laying the foundation for the beautiful campus it is today. Solving problems were his gift and people were his passion. He travelled West Texas, starting many college programs and recruited many students to the MC Chaparrals.

After returning, Camal went back into education as the principal of the Excel Program at Midland High School and then the director for Richard Milburn Academy. He was a wise counselor to all he met and a great listener. He treated everyone he encountered with equal respect and lit up a room with his beautiful smile and twinkling eyes. He never met a stranger.

Camal was a staunch supporter and protector of everyone in his family and never said no to a request for help. He loved his wife and children and was an amazing example of a true Christian man for his five grandchildren. His influence on his family will be the legacy that he leaves behind.

He served in many capacities in the community, including President of the American Heart Association, President of the Midland County Library Board, President of the Midland Teacher's Credit Union Board, President of the Partners Sunday School Class at FUMC, Chairman of the Staff Parish Committee at FUMC, and President of Midland Downtown Rotary Club.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy Adcock Dakil of Midland; son, David Charles Dakil of Lake Oak Creek, TX; daughter, Susan Dakil Rowland of Fort Worth, TX; grandchildren David C Dakil (Georgia), Brittany L. Dakil, Dylan C Dakil, Ryan S. Rowland (Heather) and Taylor C. Rowland; great grandchildren Rhett K. Rowland, Parker S. Rowland, Hunter T. Rowland, Landon C Dakil and Olivia K. Dakil; niece Julie F. Rodriquez (Armando), nephew George Farris, III, and niece Lindsay C. Farris; great nephews Jordan Rodriguez, Nicholas Rodriguez and Ryker Rodriquez.

He is preceded in death by his father Shakir Charles Dakil, mother Blanche Dakil Farris, step-father George Farris, Sr., and brother George Farris, Jr.

Pallbearers will be David Charles Dakil, David C Dakil, Ryan S Rowland, Dylan C Dakil, George Farris, III, Wes Huddleston, Armando Rodriquez and Jordan Farris.

Honorary pallbearers will be Partners Sunday School Class at FUMC.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be donated to First United Methodist Church, AMOS, or the American Heart Association.

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

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Francisco Barragan Rodriguez Sr.

Francisco Barragan Rodriguez Sr., 69, of Big Lake, Texas passed away peacefully on Thursday, June 28, 2018 in Midland, Texas.

Francisco was born in San Carlos, Coahuila, Mexico to Luis Rodriguez and Margarita Garcia. He married Dolores Rovero Vera on September 17, 1970 and celebrated 47 years together.

They had five children together. Francisco was a man of many talents and helped everyone without hesitation.

How to summarize a man's life when he was such an enigma is impossible. His grandchildren knew him as dad and grandpa.

Francisco went out with a smile and peacefully, a description of what he wanted to leave as a reminder to smile even when the sky is gray. He was a man that was nonstop until the very end.

He was a father, husband and, last of all, a grandfather who not only taught his kids but also his grandkids the same strong ideals and traits.

After 69 years of building a foundation that he will never see finished, he left a unique image of what a man should be.

He is survived by his wife, Dolores Rodriguez along with his five children Francisco Rodriguez Jr., Lazaro Rodriguez, Ruth Gonzalez, Abel Rodriguez and Vanessa Walker along with an immense amount of grandchildren.

Francisco is preceded in death by his parents and brother, Simon Barragan Rodriguez.

Pallbearers will be his grandsons- Lazaro F Rodriguez, Jason Rodriguez, Jeremiah Gonzalez, Abel Rodriguez Jr., Isaiah Rodriguez and Lazaro Rodriguez Jr.

There will be a visitation at Ellis Funeral Home from 1:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 1, 2018 with a Rosary at 7:00 p.m. A funeral Mass will be held at St Margaret of Cortona in Big Lake, Texas on Monday, July 2, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. Burial will follow at Glen Rest Cemetery.

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

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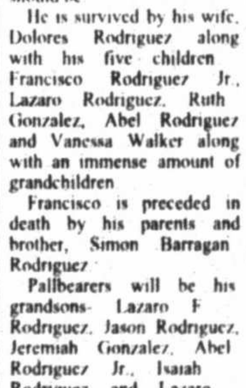

G.W. (Doug) Thomas

G.W. (Doug) Thomas, 85, of Midland, passed away on Sunday, June 10, 2018.

Doug was born on September 5, 1932 in Barstow, Texas to A.A. and Zell Bailey Thomas. As a child, he attended grade school in Barstow later moving to Mentone, TX, Buena Vista, TX, and finally to Odessa, TX, where he attended and graduated from Odessa High School. Doug loved sports and played football, basketball and ran track during his school years. Doug continued his education receiving an Associate's degree from Odessa College in Marketing and Business.

As a proud American, Doug joined the Army Signal Corp for a tour that started in San Luis Obispo, CA and ended in Fort Benning, GA, but not before a tour of duty in Chunchon, Korea where he served his country proudly during the Korean War.

When returning to civilian life, Doug found himself back in the west Texas oil patch working for several companies over the years. Doug even tried his hand with his own company Kiowa Chemical and Mud Co. during the 1980's oil boom.

Doug met many friends along the way that touched his heart, too many to mention, but all of whom will remember him forever. Doug ended his oil career at the young age of 82 after working for his good friend, Joe Henderson, owner of Southwestern Univ. and Newpark Drilling.

Doug loved the University of Texas Longhorns, Dallas Cowboys, playing golf and any stray animal. The golf course was considered his office and he made many deals there.

He married the love of his life Jane Thomas along the way and enjoyed their years together with lots of golf, family and friends. Doug was a Christian and attended church every Sunday despite a 20 mile drive each way.

Doug is survived by his sister Pat and John Ivy of Kerrville, TX; daughters Elaine and Chris Lavington of Roseburg, OR; Karen and Marvin Esterly of Bayview, TX; Terri Thomas and Phil Bledsoe of Midland, TX, Jennifer and Mathew Switzer of Austin, TX and Laura Keough of Big Spring, TX; grandchildren Casey Hoskinson, Kelli Nunley, Kristin Lavington, Chuck Lavington, Samantha Switzer, Seth Switzer, Sutton Switzer, Zach Esterly, Rochelle Williams, great-grandchildren Lane Esterly, Keagan Swearengin, Adilee Williams, Ethan Williams, Abby Lavington, and Tannor Lavington.

He was preceded in death by parents A.A. and Zell Thomas, brother Tommy Thomas, and his beloved Jane Watson Thomas.

The family would like to express their gratitude toward hospice, his doctors and friends.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to American Cancer Society.

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Henry "Boni" C Campos

Henry "Boni" C Campos was born June 2, 1952 in Midland, Texas. He went to dance with the angels on June 25, 2018 after a long battle with cancer. Boni will be greatly missed by all.

He is survived by his loving wife, Adelmira "Adel" H Campos, of 45 years; sons Henry J Campos of Amarillo and his 3 children, Nicholaus R Campos & wife of Midland and their 3 children, and David L Campos & wife of Midland and their 6 children.

He is also survived by his siblings: Minnie Varela; Jesse Campos & wife, David Campos; and numerous nieces & nephews.

He is preceded in death by his parents Richard L. Campos and Maria Hilda C Rodriguez, and step-father Pablo Rodriguez.

Graveside burial will be at 10:00 a.m., Monday, July 2, 2018 at Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home & Crematory.

Jerry Neil Amburgey

Jerry Neil Amburgey, age 80, passed away Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at his home surrounded by his family in Midland, Texas.

Jerry was born in Dante, VA in 1938 to Everette and Grace Amburgey. He married Rose Nell Hall Branson, his wife of 58 years, in 1961. He served in the United States Air Force from 1956 - 1960, retired from Clinchfield Coal, where he proudly represented UMWA Local 1477, and retired from Montgomery Trucking in Odessa, TX. He and Rose spent many happy years traveling the country and had visited every state in the US, 9 countries in Europe, Mexico and Canada. He made friends all along the way, as Jerry never met a stranger and found great enjoyment in listening to the stories of those he met. He was passionate about his family history and enjoyed learning about who they were, where they came from, and in passing those stories down to the next generations.

He is survived by his wife, Rose; two daughters, Donna Turner and husband James of Midland, TX and Teresa Woolum and husband Billy of Milton, FL; three sisters, Dorothy Dotson, Faye Woods and Patricia Gibson; fourteen much loved grandchildren, fourteen great grandchildren, who brightened his days in the last years of his life, and many nieces and nephews.

Jerry was predeceased by his parents; three sons, Don, Tom, and John Andrew; his brothers, Jim and Fred Amburgey, and his sister, Carol Hall.

A memorial service will be scheduled in Castlewood, Virginia at a date and time to be announced.

The family would like to express their gratitude to the staffs of West Texas VA Health Care System in Big Spring, TX, Hospice of Midland, Nurses Unlimited, and Midland Memorial Hospital for all the care and support they provided to Jerry and his family during these last months.

HAPPY TRAILS, PAPAW.

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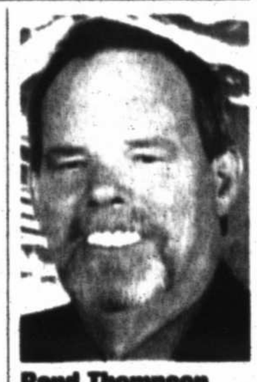

Rand Thompson

Rand Thompson, 62 years old, of Midland, passed away on June 28, 2018. He died surrounded by the loving presence of his wife, Jocheta Thompson.

Rand was born in Phoenix, Arizona on August 28, 1955. Rand attended Arizona State where he received a Bachelor's Degree. He moved to Midland soon after college where he practiced as a CPA for over 31 years. Rand also faithfully served God as a Minister at Manor Park for many years.

Rand is preceded in death by his father, Robert H Thompson, Sr.

He is survived by his wife, Jocheta Thompson, mother, Sammy G Thompson, brothers, Michael Thompson (Sherrill) and Robert Thompson (Arleta) both of Yuma, Arizona, sisters, Pam Teal (Buddy) of Yuma and Danny Jo Thompson of Phoenix, sons, Ryan Thompson (Jamie) of Queen Creek, Arizona, Randy Thompson (Veronica) of Midland, and Reece Thompson, grandchildren, Presley and Logan Thompson, and several nieces and nephews.

Rand's walk with God here on earth touched the lives of many people, friends, family, and complete strangers. He was genuinely concerned about other's wellbeing and displayed a positive and joyous spirit daily as he attended his life's mission. He was defined by his outpouring of compassion and kindness. As we mourn his absence, Heaven celebrates his presence.

Visitation will be held on Monday, July 2, 2018, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home.

The funeral service will be held on Tuesday, July 3, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. at Ellis Funeral Home with Bill Billet officiating. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to the Village at Manor Park, 2208 N Loop 250 W, Midland, TX 79707.

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Death Notices

Robert Andrew Pauley

Robert Andrew Pauley, 90, of Midland, passed away on Friday, June 29, 2018.

Viewing will be Sunday, July 1, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home.

A graveside service will be Tuesday, July 3, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

He is survived by three daughters, Jan Patterson, Martha Evans and Diana Pauley, one brother and one sister.

Newspaper shooting wasn't on Trump, but that doesn't mean it isn't open season on journalists

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It was far too easy to assume the worst — that the inevitable, finally, had come to pass.

When news broke Thursday afternoon that a shooter had opened fire in an Annapolis, Maryland, newsroom, more than a few minds converged on the same thought: Donald Trump. The mytimaker-in-chief, who has demonized the media almost daily since becoming president of the United States, had made this day seem not just likely but any-day-now.

Or so I confess to thinking at first. One of my regular readers, a Vietnam Marine veteran, did, too. In an email Friday morning, he wrote: "I'm concerned for your safety. Trump's demonizing of the press has led us down a dark path." And not for the first time, my brother wrote three days before the shooting stating his wish that I leave Washington, writing: "It's gonna get crazier from here."

As the story developed through Thursday evening, however, we learned the alleged gunman, Jarrod Ramos, 38, had nursed a vendetta against the paper for several years, going back to at least 2011 — and well before Trump was elected to become the "fake news" hawker of today.

Apparently, the Capital Gazette had published a story in 2011 about Ramos after he had pleaded guilty to harassing a woman via social media. Apparently blistered by the public exposure, Ramos field a defamation suit in 2012, which he finally lost in 2015 after an appeal. A full three years after that, his festering resentment seems to have exploded in a bloody barrage of revenge.

Ramos first shot out the glass door, then entered the newsroom with his shotgun extending forward, and opened fire, according to witnesses. Like most newsrooms, the Gazette's is a wide-open space with no place to hide except beneath desks, where reporters huddled and prayed in hopes of escaping the shooter's notice. Some were unsuccessful.

Among those murdered were editors Gerald Fischman and Rob Hiaasen (brother of Miami Herald columnist and author Carl Hiaasen), reporter John McNamara, sales assistant Rebecca Smith, and a special publications employee Wendi Winters. At least two others were injured.

Thankfully, we can't pin this on the president. Nor should anyone wish to. It's bad enough that my reflex was to connect the dots between Trump's anti-media rhetoric and the Annapolis murders. He has gratuitously called out the media ever since assuming office, including as recently as Monday here in South Carolina's capital city, where he gave a campaign-rally speech for Gov. Henry McMaster. Trump's hour-long stemwinder on the eve of the state's primary runoff was familiar to those who routinely follow the president.

More than once, he singled out the media in the back of the packed high school gym for ridicule. A friend, who was in the audience, remarked to me later: "Why does he do that? They're there to cover him. Would he prefer that they not show up, that he be a non-event? They're just doing their job."

Precisely. Being present when Trump does this rather than watching him on television has a very different effect. You're more aware of the humanity of the reporters, photographers and TV camera operators, who cease to be "the media" as a negative abstraction but are recognizable as people who may be your neighbors, friends, husbands or wives. Most Americans, I suspect, have become so accustomed to Trump's shtick that it has become like a car alarm. It's annoying but you block it out. But rhetoric matters, and Trump's has been toxic toward the media. "Fake news" has become the Trump base's second-favorite mantra, following "Make America Great Again." Inferentially, the latter hinges on the elimination of the former.

Thus, it was easy. Too easy for comfort to worry, well, whether it finally happened.

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HERMAN

From 1B

community already feeling pressure cooked to a near-boiling point by a president who senses political gain by debasing it reacted with a "there but for the grace of God" mentality.

Newspapers, the ones worth that honorable name, are part of their communities. The closer a community feels to the paper the better. Many years ago, one of the most important stories I've worked on in my career began when a local man looking for answers about a nephew's death walked into a small-town paper and walked directly into that small-town paper's top editor's office.

We've lost the ability for that kind of transaction. Because of the reality of our times, you're not getting in to see anyone in our newsroom without getting through security.

But email and phone calls get through unscreened. And much of it is good. I told you recently about the death of Jetty Sutton, a longtime reader who had become email pen-pals with me (and, it turns out, others here at the paper) who was a delight to hear from, even if it was with a complaint.

I appreciate feedback from readers who disagree with me. The goal, folks, is not to try to tell you what to think, but what to think about. Much of the feedback I get, even from folks who disagree with me, is reasonable and even-tempered.

Much. But not all.

"Kenny," began a recent email from a reader who identifies himself by his first name and a self-description as "A real Texan." (Somehow, I didn't hear the "Kenny" as sounding like it did when my late mom called me that.) "You need to take a laxative!" he told me. "Your bull**** is building to a crescendo!"

The email was in reaction to a recent column in which I noted, without expressing any views about his politics, that Democratic U.S. Senate candidate Beto O'Rourke is a helluva stump speaker.

"You have exposed your weakness as a so-called journalist and member of the mainstream media, a failing institution which the public holds in utter contempt!" the Real Texan told me, missing the point, as some do, that I'm an opinion journalist, paid by my employer to share my opinions and observations. "Next time you hear Beta Boy, wear an extra absorbent pair of Depends!" the Real Texan told me. "You apparently need them!"

No death threat. No promise of violence. Just a reader reacting with words and marks of exclamation. Conceptually, that's great. In fact, it's the whole purpose of the exercise.

But the tone. There's always been some of that out there, but now with a president doing his daily darnedest to normalize what should never be normal is worse than it's ever been.

When details of the Annapolis horror emerged Thursday, Editor Hiott said in a tweet: "Elements of this guy's m.o. will be hauntingly familiar to most of us who have worked in newsrooms and dealt with angry people over the years. You just never think ... "

Now we do.

We are not the enemy of the people. But, in unprecedented ways, journalists are feeling the animus of some of the people. Words, even heated ones, are fine. But guns ...

We must all be concerned about how one can lead to the other.

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PARKER

From 2B

Had Trump finally reached someone who would act out the hatred? The question remains. What ultimately pushed the shooter over the edge? Was it only personal rage, or was there a trigger? What caused him to decide that he'd rather go down shooting than move on with his life?

What's clear is that Trump has made it a verbal open season on journalists, many of whom have felt the sting one way or another. For all of us ink-stained wretches, the hate mail is more vicious than ever. The death threats more frequent.

This shooting wasn't "the" shooting many of us feared would come. But Trump, nevertheless, bears some responsibility for the incendiary rhetoric that has raised the heat and the stakes for journalists just doing their jobs.

RAMSEY

From 1B

public opinion. In this year's poll, 85 percent of Republicans favor the death penalty for violent crimes, compared with 88 percent in a February 2015 UT/TT Poll. That's an insignificant change, but look at the Democrats, who dropped from 61 percent support then to 46 percent support now.

Both parties are loosening their resistance to legal marijuana. More than half of Texas registered voters now say it should be legalized. Republicans in Texas added a decriminalization plank to their platform this year, saying the penalty for small amounts ought to be more akin to a traffic violation than a bunk robbery: more tickets, fewer incarcerations.

More often, the poll provided evidence that politics in Texas is just as disparagingly polarized as it is in the rest of the country.

The Texas Republicans whose two favorites in the last presidential race faltered (Cruz and Perry) are now unreservedly in President Donald Trump's corner. Not by a little, but by a lot: 87 percent of them approve of the job Trump is doing, including 55 percent who strongly approve.

Democrats are just as emphatic, in the opposite direction: 84 percent disapprove, including 75 percent who disapprove strongly.

That political polarity shows up in national polls, and it was all over the Texas responses.

Texas Republicans are so with Trump that they're against the nation's top law enforcement agency: 45 percent of Texas Republicans have a negative opinion of the FBI, while 27 percent have a positive opinion. Democrats were 62 percent positive and just 11 percent negative.

They're so bound to the party that they're ignoring the results of Robert Mueller's probe into Russian tampering with the 2016 elections. On one hand, 58 percent of voters said they've heard a lot about the investigations. But 81 percent of Republicans believe that the purpose of the inquiries is to discredit the president, and 78 percent said Mueller hasn't uncovered any crimes.

He has obtained 17 indictments and 5 convictions. Wouldn't you know that if you'd been following this closely?

They're so in sync with the president that they reach for their noses when you ask these football-crazy conservatives about the NFL, an organization he condemned after players began protests against police shootings by sitting out or kneeling during the national anthem. Only 14 percent of Republicans have a favorable impression of the league, while 65 percent have an unfavorable one. Democrats are lukewarm on this one, 38 percent favorable and 28 percent unfavorable, but they're more positive than not.

You know politics has soured when it comes between Texans and football.

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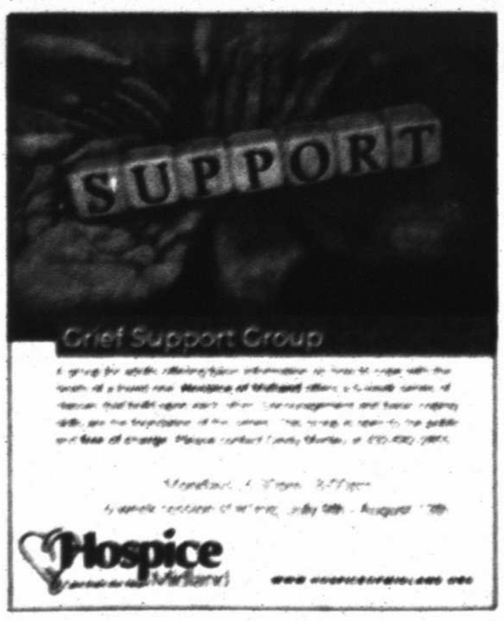

The next Supreme Court won't reflect public opinion

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Bloomberg News

Now that President Donald Trump has the opportunity to name a successor to Justice Anthony Kennedy, it's worth remembering that there's been a conservative majority on the Supreme Court for decades, and a very conservative one since Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Sam Alito were confirmed more than a dozen years ago. Soon there is likely to be an extremely conservative majority.

Indeed, the judiciary will become the most conservative branch of the U.S. government, regardless of the results of the 2018 midterms and even the 2020 presidential election. Most significantly, the courts will be far more conservative than overall public opinion. The political scientist Rick Hasen recently sketched out what another Trump nominee would mean for voting rights and for civil rights in general. For those who support the status quo (let alone more vigorous constitutional protections) on the many issues involved, the announcement Wednesday that Kennedy, the swing vote on the high court, would retire is very bad news.

The dominance of conservatives is partly the result of when vacancies appeared. It also has to do with the audacious game of constitutional hardball by Senate Republicans when they refused to consider any possible nominee for Antonin Scalia's seat. But the biggest factor is that conservative Republicans found a way to institutionalize partisanship and ideology in the selection of justices. The process was a reaction to Republican presidents who could not be trusted to appoint even moderate conservatives. Lawmakers invented a pipeline to groom and train reliable partisan votes on the Supreme Court. The idea was to eliminate the possibility of more Harry Blackmuns or David Souters; that stance has hardened to include opposition to fairly conservative jurists like Sandra Day O'Connor or very conservative ones like Kennedy.

With Kennedy's departure, civil rights won't be the only issue on which the new court will be far from the mainstream. It's quite possible that the radical "constitution in exile" group may start winning many cases, which could endanger programs such as Medicare and Social Security, as well as basic New Deal economic regulation.

Will public opinion constrain them?

Maybe. It could happen through the confirmation process. In a de facto 50-to-49 Senate (John McCain has been absent all summer), just one Republican moderate — such as Susan Collins of Maine — could side with a united Democratic Party to defeat a very conservative nominee and push Trump to nominate someone more moderate. But Collins (and Alaska's Lisa Murkowski) have shown no sign of standing up to very conservative judges throughout the current Congress, and there's no reason to expect their behavior to change. Meanwhile, several Democrats in Republican or swing states who are up for re-election this year may feel considerable pressure to support a Trump nominee. The extremism of the Republican judicial agenda is difficult to explain to voters. And after Robert Bork's defeat in the 1980s, conservative and liberal nominees have learned to steer far away from any substantive comments on real judicial approaches and agendas during the confirmation process.

Assuming the Senate would confirm a very conservative justice, will Roberts then seek to enact as much of an extreme agenda as possible or will he attempt to tone it down to avert the possibility of electoral backlash? Past justices have followed the election returns to some extent. But there's never been a Supreme Court majority like the one that will almost certainly convene in October. The justices have been hand-picked and trained to push hard in a partisan and ideological direction.

The electoral effects of that push are difficult to predict. Democrats have never been as driven by judicial politics as Republicans, and even with Republicans it's not clear how much liberal decisions spurred activism and rank-and-file voter turnout. And there's very little precedent for any part of the government to enact policies that are both far-reaching and very unpopular, let alone the courts. Under normal circumstances, the Supreme Court tends to make only incremental changes, given its doctrine of respecting precedents and the limited docket it assigns itself. The next iteration of the Roberts court could be different.

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NICHOLAS

From 1B

admit this right here and right now. I really, really thought about backing out of that space and getting back on the road. But only for the briefest, briefest moment. Then I got out of the car for a closer look. It was a well-used car, all scratched up around the door handles with a long gouge running horizontally across the driver and passenger side doors. I took one more look around, still didn't see anyone. And so, like any good mother, I licked my thumb and proceeded to rub at that smudge like my life or a $500 deductible depended on it.

And you know what? It worked! Sort of. But there were still a few inches of smudge visible. I told the kids I needed to get the manager and locked them into the car. I trudged into the office, cursing my luck. Hating to think about explaining this to The Hubs. I am hard on cars. But when the manager came out and examined the smudge he had good news. "The same thing happened to my wife last week. I can buff this right out, don't you worry!"

When I got back into the car, I told the kids our good fortune. But I also wanted to capitalize on an amazing teachable moment — without making Bodacious feel bad for having my same flight instincts.

In my instant replay, I said, "Thank you both for being so patient and waiting in the car. I feel really silly for letting go of the door because I know accidents can happen that way. I am also really glad the door can be fixed and grateful for this man's offer of kindness to fix it without charging me."

What I actually said was, "Thank you sweet baby Jesus, we can still afford to go get snow cones and I don't have to tell your dad about any of this!"

But don't worry, I didn't stop there.

"I also want you both to remember this for your whole lives. Always do the right thing, even when no one is watching."

I told them that sometimes, that would cost them. Might be money, a job or even a friend. But that I truly believed what you put into the world — goodness and kindness, or meanness and ugliness — always comes back to you. Doing right makes you feel right.

I need more right. There has been so much meanness in the world lately. I watch the news, read the papers, the endless negative Facebook postings. It seems overwhelming, like there isn't nearly enough good to go around anymore. But I am working really hard to consume less media and not give in to these feelings of despair. I am focusing on navigating my little corner of the map, being an example for my children. And hoping that for every good action, kind word or sweet thought, that a difference is made in my heart and my world.

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Electricity	2 families	$579.87
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	TOTAL	$25,424.41

Many of the shoppers of our thrift store are "regulars." They shop every day (Tuesday, Friday and Saturday) that we are open and we come to know them – their habits, their moods, their anxieties, their joys. When we noticed Isaac a few months ago desperately seeking something in the store in areas that he did not usually frequent, we became curious. He usually looked through movies, books and knickknacks. But when we asked him, he said that he was looking for hardware.

He told us that his cousin, a victim of MS, had recently been relegated full-time to an electric scooter. She is only 41 years old. While she had managed the transition to the scooter, she was despondent over the fact that she was homebound. She had always participated heavily in her children's athletic endeavors, and even after the horrible disease started robbing her of her mobility, she was at least able to watch them from the sidelines. But that was no longer an option. Insurance had covered the scooter, but would not cover the lift that would allow the scooter to be hoisted into a vehicle.

Her husband could not bear his wife's depression. Her spirit was gone. Their budget was already stretched to the max over her medical expenses and there was no way he could raise the money for the lift. He approached Isaac to see if there was some way they could build something themselves that would work to transport the scooter. And so Isaac came to Helping Hands looking for a miracle that might be hidden on the shelves of our store.

What he found was the attentive eye of a caseworker who noticed his anxiety, listened to his story, and then offered a helping hand. We were able to get his cousin a refurbished lift that was needed to get her out of the house and actively back into her children's lives. What a joy!

Thank you for your generous donations to the store which makes Helping Hands a place where miracles happen!

REPLACING KENNEDY

By Stephen L. Carter
Bloomberg

For Democrats, some rules for the battle to replace Kennedy

If you're a Democrat, nothing says "Gotta take back the Senate" like the retirement of Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy, author of the landmark decision legalizing same-sex marriage. The thought of President Donald Trump appointing Kennedy's replacement probably makes you feel like writing a bunch of checks or firing off a bunch of tweets.

Kennedy is a giant, and the court will miss him. If you think his departure will help you win elections, then good for you. But I've spent a lot of time thinking about the appointment of Supreme Court justices. I've taught courses on the subject, written a book about it, delivered countless lectures, published many op-eds. And on the basis of a lifetime's study, I'd like to pass along a few preliminary words of caution.

1. Suppose you take back the Senate. What's your plan? Will you bottle up any Trump nominee, hoping to ride out his presidency? That strategy worked for the Republicans in 2016, but that was President Barack Obama's final year in the White House. You could be talking about a long time.

I wrote then, and still believe now, that Republicans should have allowed a vote on Obama's nomination of Judge Merrick Garland, one of the ablest jurists on the federal bench. If the Democrats win, and then choose to emulate the Republicans, that's their constitutional prerogative — but that doesn't make it right.

I've long criticized the Senate for ignoring "the possible use of its confirmation power to force presidential concessions on other issues." In other words, it's perfectly appropriate for the opposition to use its power to approve or reject nominees as a bargaining chip. But bottling up the nominee for the sake of bottling up the nominee? That was wrong when Republicans did it, and would be wrong if Democrats do it.

2. Now let's suppose your side doesn't win the Senate. Or suppose Republicans push for a vote before the midterms, or in the lame-duck session. What's the plan then? Once upon a time you could have filibustered, but those days are gone. So your next goal will be — but wait — here's what I wrote in 2009, as we awaited news on Obama's nominee to replace Justice David Souter:

"The summer will unfold according to ritual. The nominee's supporters will make absurdly glowing claims about his or her qualifications, the opponents will propound patently ridiculous charges of radicalism, bias or incompetence, and the nation will move on to the strangest spectacle of all - the Supreme Court confirmation hearing."

And it is indeed a strange spectacle. That's why I've long been in favor of abolishing confirmation hearings (seriously). But I realize that won't happen any time soon, so ...

3. Try to avoid questions designed to elicit promises that the nominee will vote a particular way on a particular issue. Seriously. Among the most unfortunate aspects of our strange spectacle is the inquisition-style insistence on badgering potential justices on their views on the substantive questions with which, if approved, they would soon have to cope.

For one thing, nobody ever answers. Not Thurgood Marshall or William Brennan, not Antonin Scalia or Anthony Kennedy. (Well, Robert Bork did in 1987, and we all know what happened.) The nominees may dance around the questions and pretend to have said something, but we know they haven't. And that makes sense. After all, what kind of judge are we talking about who will promise — in advance, under oath — to cast a particular vote on a particular issue? Imagine if the justices who had decided Brown v. Board of Education had been selected for their views on racial equality, back when the Dixiecrats ruled the Senate.

Speaking of the Dixiecrats, during the 1950s and 1960s, it was considered the liberal position that nominees should not be asked about their views on potential cases. Moderate Republicans agreed. Only the radical right, desperate to overturn Brown, felt otherwise.

Yes, it's very likely that Trump or some among his staff will ask the nominee exactly the questions I'm saying the Senate should avoid. For that reason, the Judiciary Committee should most certainly inquire about conversations the nominee had with the White House. If it turns out that the president asked — and the nominee answered — then that fact, by itself, would justify a no vote.

4. Besides, did you ever really love Kennedy as much as you think you do? Yes, he authored the same-sex marriage opinion. But just hours before his retirement was announced, he joined the 5-4 majority in Janus v. AFSCME, which (to quote the Wall Street Journal) effectively dealt "a severe blow to perhaps the strongest remaining redoubt of the American labor movement." And the day before, he joined the 5-4 majority in the "travel ban" case. We could go on. My point is, if Trump were to nominate someone who would vote exactly like Kennedy, things would continue pretty much as they are.

But perhaps your concern is different. Perhaps your worry is that Kennedy was aging and his successor will be a lot younger. But when you put the problem that way, you transform the matter of succession into an unseemly death watch — waiting for this one to die, hoping that one hangs on — an exercise which, even in our alarmingly uncivil era, we would do better to avoid. Which is why I wonder:

5. Maybe now that it looks like there's going to be a "conservative" majority for years or decades to come, you'll join my campaign to reduce the centrality of the Supreme Court in American life. Maybe we could jumpstart democracy if we had a little less litigation and a little more doorbell-ringing.

You're thinking, "Sure, but if we'd tried to overcome segregation that way, it would have taken a lot longer to beat it," which is kind of funny but mostly sad, given that we're nowhere close to beating it yet. More to the point, we shouldn't generalize from any particular landmark liberal decision, or any particular set of landmark liberal decisions, to the conclusion that we've identified the proper norm for social change. It's possible to win great victories without controlling the courts.

You're going to answer, "Yes, but the Republicans are going to do that stuff anyway." Maybe so. But in the strongly Democratic household where I grew up, that was a pretty thin justification.

6. My final thought is that I recognize, unhappily, that there's no real hope that we'll avoid the usual nasty partisan dustup — made nastier by both the wild social media mobs on both sides. So I can only urge all those even now girding for fierce battle: Please do as little harm as you can.

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For Republicans, some rules for the battle to replace Kennedy

I would like to provide a few suggestions that I hope Republicans will consider about how to approach the retirement of Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy. I've had a long time to hone my views. I've been writing, teaching and lecturing about the confirmation process for more than 30 years. Here, then, are my thoughts for the GOP:

1. Don't be cheering in triumph. The retirement of a member of the high court should always be a sober occasion. So should the process of choosing a successor. The last time President Donald Trump filled a vacancy, I wrote that his process risked transforming the announcement into something akin to a game show. Whether you agree or not, at least consider this: In all our conversations about the Supreme Court, we should avoid any semblance of a death watch, as though we're rooting for this or that justice to get sick and have to step down — or to pass away. We live in an era when partisans on social media routinely wish horrible things upon their opponents. If the Republican Party can avoid treating this moment as one for celebration, perhaps it can even elevate the debate.

2. I'd urge Republican senators and White House staffers to do a lot of consultation with the Democrats. With the death of the filibuster, there's no way to block the nominee, but that's beside the point. One way to improve comity in the future is to practice it now. Don't be the Borg way ("Resistance is futile"). Maybe not in 2021, maybe not even in 2025, but one January you will wake up and discover that your party controls neither the Senate nor the White House. Surely you'll insist that a Democratic president seek your advice as well as your consent for judicial nominees, just as the Constitution provides. So take the first step.

And take the step seriously.

3. Resist the temptation to ask in private what the nominee will be careful not to answer in public. It's tempting to construct a bench peopled entirely with individuals who have already promised, even if behind closed doors, to vote a particular way on particular issues. But to call such an institution a court is to lapse into the all-too-common incoherence of the age.

Bear in mind President Abraham Lincoln's response to Representative George S. Boutwell of Massachusetts, who had written to congratulate him on the nomination of Salmon P. Chase to serve as chief justice of the Supreme Court: "We cannot ask a man what he will do, and if we should, and he should answer us, we should despise him for it." Now consider the next sentence of Lincoln's letter: "Therefore we must take a man whose opinions are known."

Here our greatest president is being clever. As much as anyone, he understood that views change over time. Certainly his own had. And even after we sift a nominee's past opinions and articles, even after we speak to their colleagues and friends, we will never really know the nominee's views. We'll have to guess. Here the limited information with which we act is a feature, not a bug. In building a court for the long run, we'd be foolish to spend our efforts obsessing mainly over the issues of the day.

4. Whoever is selected, advise your president not to go on the attack against anyone who offers the smallest criticism of his nominee. I realize that he's not likely to follow your advice, but at least you can try. There's no perfect candidate, and there are always fair and legitimate questions.

The process will be vicious enough without Trump throwing bombs every few days. Nowadays every confirmation fight is vicious. We might never again see a nominee who can command a bipartisan majority. For most of the 20th century, overwhelming votes in favor of the president's nominee were the norm. By most counts (including my own research), only about 1 in 4 were even seriously contested.

But the reason isn't that the issues that divide us nowadays are deeper than they were a generation or two ago. In 1967, in the midst of a land being torn in two by racial tension, Thurgood Marshall was confirmed with only 11 "no" votes. Only one senator, Joseph McCarthy, voted against William Brennan, who was nominated in the midst of a Red-hunting era he had openly criticized.

Want more recent history? Antonin Scalia was confirmed 98-0. Ruth Bader Ginsburg was confirmed 96-3. Kennedy himself sailed through by 97-0. Think these majorities came because the nation faced no deep and fundamental divisions? Wrong. All of them came after Roe v. Wade, the decision that energized — and largely created — what would become known as the religious right.

No, the reason for these and many other strong majorities was not because the issues were more divisive. It's because the parties had not yet turned the confirmation process over to the interest groups that control both parties on the issues and won't allow it. The impulsive online mobocracy will only make matters worse. The president's tendency to swirl angrily into the midst of every controversy always fans the flames. Probably you can't restrain him, but you owe it to the court and the country to make the effort.

5. If by some chance the confirmation fight does drag on past the midterm elections — and if your party loses control of the Senate — the likelihood that the Democrats will confirm any Trump nominee is arbitrarily close to zero. Even should the president be re-elected in 2020, as long as the opposition holds the Senate, your party will be punished for its refusal in 2016 to allow a vote on President Barack Obama's nomination of Judge Merrick Garland.

So you're stuck with that.

I see only two ways out of that particular mess of your own making. First, don't lose the Senate (or, should you lose it, win it back fast). Second, if that plan falls to pieces, go back and take a look at Season 5, Episode 17 of "The West Wing." Clever idea there. Maybe if all else fails you can use it.

With all of that said, let me conclude with pretty much the same suggestion I made to the Democrats. These battles are rocky, on both sides. Do your best not to hurt anybody.

Trump gets to fill Kennedy's seat — and it's all thanks to Harry Reid

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Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., is just following the rules. In 2013, then-Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., used a simple-majority vote to change the Senate's rules, allowing confirmation of judicial nominees to non-Supreme Court posts by the same simple-majority vote. At that moment, the politics of judicial confirmations entered their end stage: The Senate's majority now rules on when and who will get confirmed to the federal courts. When McConnell adopted "the Reid Rule" last year for Supreme Court nominees to break Democrats' filibuster against the nomination of Judge Neil Gorsuch, he was merely allowing the majority of the Senate to advise and consent.

And when confronted for the first time in decades by a vacancy on the Supreme Court during a presidential election year McConnell invoked the "Biden Rule." In a June 1992 speech, then-Judiciary Committee chairman Joe Biden said, "It is my view that if a Supreme Court justice resigns tomorrow, or within the next several weeks, or resigns at the end of the summer, President (George H.W.) Bush should consider following the practice of a majority of his predecessors and not - and not - name a nominee until after the November election is completed."

The "Biden rule" was the Senate equivalent of Supreme Court "dicta," but McConnell's "no hearings, no votes" stance in 2016 is an actual precedent. But it is a precedent limited on its facts to vacancies occurring because of a sudden death of a justice in a presidential election year.

The left, clearly hoping for some sort of an upset in the Senate races in the fall, wants to invoke the McConnell precedent to try to generate public opposition to moving forward with a nominee to fill Justice Anthony Kennedy's seat this summer and early fall. It won't work. The president will quickly nominate a Kennedy replacement. Barring some unforeseen miss in the background check, the nominee will be confirmed, and probably with votes to spare given how many Senate Democrats are facing stiff re-election in states carried by President Donald Trump. Some Democrats, facing the certainty of confirmation, will side with the nominee (and their states' voters) and try to hang on to their jobs.

The process toward "the majority rules" rules began with the "Borking" of Robert Bork in 1987, when politics entered the confirmation process. That process became even more embittered in the Clarence Thomas hearings. In the subsequent two decades, both parties escalated the use of filibustering and slow-walking nominations. Senate Democrats'

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Kennedy's decisions may not last; it might be his own fault

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For 30 years, one voice has rallied Supreme Court colleagues and court-watchers from both the left and the right: the voice of Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy.

Liberals rejoiced in his decisions barring the execution of minors, recognizing a constitutional right to same-sex marriage, defending free speech and protecting legal abortions. Conservatives revered iconic decisions like Citizens United (protecting the rights of corporate speech) and Gonzales v. Carhart (upholding a federal law that criminalizes partial-birth abortions).

Kennedy's jurisprudence reflected a unique mix of libertarian and natural-rights elements. To him, the Constitution may not have been the "living" document embraced by his liberal colleagues, but it evolved in its application to new forms of expression and association.

That evolution often meant discarding prior doctrines and the time-honored judicial norm of stare decisis — the notion that courts should "stand by things decided." Absent significant changes in the underlying law or conditions, courts avoid overturning precedent in the interests of institutional consistency and integrity. Kennedy's cases should rest comfortably within that cocoon of tradition. Indeed, at one time, Kennedy insisted that "the whole object of the judiciary is to ensure stability, continuity, and so we pride ourselves on the fact that there is little change."

But contained in his long tenure, and in many of his most historic cases, is an occasional disdain for precedent; his most important rulings were built on the ashes of prior decisions.

In Lawrence v. Texas, for example, Kennedy tossed out the nearly two-decade-old ruling in Bowers v. Hardwick, citing changes in legal and social views. "Bowers was not correct when it was decided, and it is not correct today," he wrote. "It ought not to remain binding precedent." In June, he advanced his attack on stare decisis even further, authoring a 5-to-4 decision that cavalierly dispensed with a major 1992 tax precedent. Then he signed onto a majority opinion this past week overturning an important 1977 case about union dues. Kennedy began his career standing by things decided but ended it creating new doctrines.

Unwittingly, Kennedy may have crafted the perfect weapon for activist judges. His historic rulings may stand the test of time.

But if any of his major opinions are voided by future courts, the weapon may not bear the fingerprints of his more conservative replacement but rather, in a strange way, his own.

In the recent South Dakota v. Wayfair decision, Kennedy wrote for a 5-to-4 majority that states may tax online purchases. The court's previous standard, from Quill Corp. v. North Dakota in 1992, allowed state taxation only where a business has a physical presence — a paradigm that guided states and Congress for 16 years, until Wayfair. Kennedy dismissed the notion that he should follow the earlier doctrine in the interest of institutional consistency, quoting a 2009 opinion that "stare decisis is not an inexorable command." Given the court's shifting interpretation of the Constitution's commerce clause, he said, "the Court should be vigilant in correcting the error."

On Wednesday, Kennedy signed on to yet another opinion driving a stake into the heart of stare decisis. In Janus v. AFSCME Council 31, the majority set aside a precedent established in 1977 in Abood v. Detroit Board of Education. In that case, the court upheld the constitutionality of requiring nonunion workers to pay dues to unions that negotiate on behalf of all workers.

Justice Samuel Alito's majority opinion in Janus declared Abood "poorly reasoned" and said the doctrine of stare decisis is "weakest" when deciding matters of constitutional law (as opposed to statutory interpretations). By joining the majority, Kennedy endorsed the view that a past case, such as Abood, can be set aside based on the "quality" of its "reasoning."

The problem for Kennedy: That "weakest" application of stare decisis could be applied to many of his most important decisions, which turn on his view of inherent rights contained, but not always enumerated, in the Constitution. Rejecting the notion that stare decisis is an "inexorable command" and downgrading it to a pliable consideration will allow reversals of his opinions. Just as the court could set aside the 1992 decision in Quill Corp., a more conservative successor could find that equally corrective measures are needed for Kennedy's opinion (with Sandra Day O'Connor and David Souter) in Planned Parenthood v. Casey, the 1992 case preserving the right to abortions.

The uncomfortable fact is that Kennedy's legacy is as fragile as it is immense. Many of his rulings were decided by a one-justice margin. He supplied the critical fifth vote upholding the right to burn the American flag in Texas v. Johnson in 1989, declaring, "It is poignant but fundamental that the flag protects those who hold it in contempt." He was with the 5-to-4 majority in Kennedy v. Louisiana (2008), which said convicts could not be put to death for child rape.

In the 5-to-4 Boumediene v. Bush ruling (2008), he afforded Guantanamo detainees basic due process protections. Only five justices voted to decriminalize gay sex in Lawrence v. Texas (2003). The same number found a right to same-sex marriage in Obergefell v. Hodges (2015).

With his legacy dangling by a single vote — his own — Kennedy advanced views that were not necessarily shared even by some of the justices who joined his opinions. He fought for decades to create a controversial constitutional "right to dignity," for instance. The right to choose abortion, he wrote in Casey, is based on "personal dignity and autonomy," which "are central to the liberty protected by the Fourteenth Amendment." He elaborated on this concept in a variety of later cases involving issues from gay rights to prisoner rights.

In declaring a constitutional protection for same-sex marriage, Kennedy did not emphasize equal protection but rather esteem: "They ask for equal dignity in the eyes of the law. The Constitution grants them that right."

The idea of a constitutionally protected right to dignity infuriates many constitutional textualists on the right. For them, this is a creature of Kennedy's imagination, not the Constitution.

If Trump's next court nominee doesn't share Kennedy's view (which he or she is unlikely to do), his replacement might wind up citing Kennedy's own words in Wayfair to scrap "equal dignity" as any kind of legal standard.

The risk of something like that is even greater after Kennedy and his colleagues effectively punted, in their June decision in Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Rights Commission, a case in which a same-sex couple was denied a wedding cake by an observant Christian baker. Rather than resolve the conflict between free speech and anti-discrimination laws, the court sent the case back to a lower court with an ambiguous demand for reconsideration.

If a future court decides to hear Cakeshop, the justices would have a ready-made opportunity to dispense with the dignity rights of LGBT consumers.

In fairness to Kennedy, there are strong arguments against stare decisis, which seems more often honored on the court in the breach. Dissenting justices on the wrong side of a 5-to-4 split often lament that precedents should be respected. (In Janus, Justice Elena Kagan called Kennedy and his colleagues "black-robed rulers" who "subvert[ed] all known principles of stare decisis.") Kennedy's opinions reflected changes not just on the court but in society at large, and his rulings were hardly the only ones to do this.

Of course, Kennedy doesn't just have a couple of cases at stake. Much of his legacy is in the balance, and in his final week he offered his strongest support for the rationale that could undo it.

At 81, he not only provided President Donald Trump with ample time to secure a more conservative nominee but provided that nominee with ample means to discard his most signature rulings.

Kennedy once said, "Sometimes you don't know if you're Caesar about to cross the Rubicon or Captain Queeg cutting your own tow line." This is certainly one of those moments.

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blockade of key nominees in 2001 and 2002 when they held the majority and their serial filibusters of nominees in 2003 and 2004 led to the first threat of the "nuclear option" by then Majority Leader Bill Frist that was averted by the "Gang of 14." An uneasy peace descended on the Supreme Court nomination process, and though hearings and votes on Justice Samuel Alito were particularly heated, the nominations of Justices Sonia Sotomayor and Elena Kagan proceeded peacefully.

Then came "the Reid Rule." Clearly, Reid was counting on holding the Senate through 2016 at least, and perhaps beyond. But suddenly the sharpest of double-edged swords was in the GOP's hands when Republicans took back the Senate in 2014 and with that, control of the confirmation process. They paid back Reid with interest, slowing nominations to a crawl and in 2016, when McConnell declared even before President Barack Obama nominated Judge Merrick Garland that no nominee, whatever his or her background, would receive a hearing or a vote.

The people voted. Trump won. Justice Gorsuch filled the Scalia seat, and a Trump nominee will fill the Kennedy seat.

Where we have ended up in 2018 is actually where the framers began when they declared in Article II, Section 2 that the president "shall nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint ... judges of the Supreme Court." The Senate is a majoritarian body now on all nominations and will likely stay that way.

If an originalist majority settles in for a long run on the Supreme Court, everyone can send thank-you notes to Reid.

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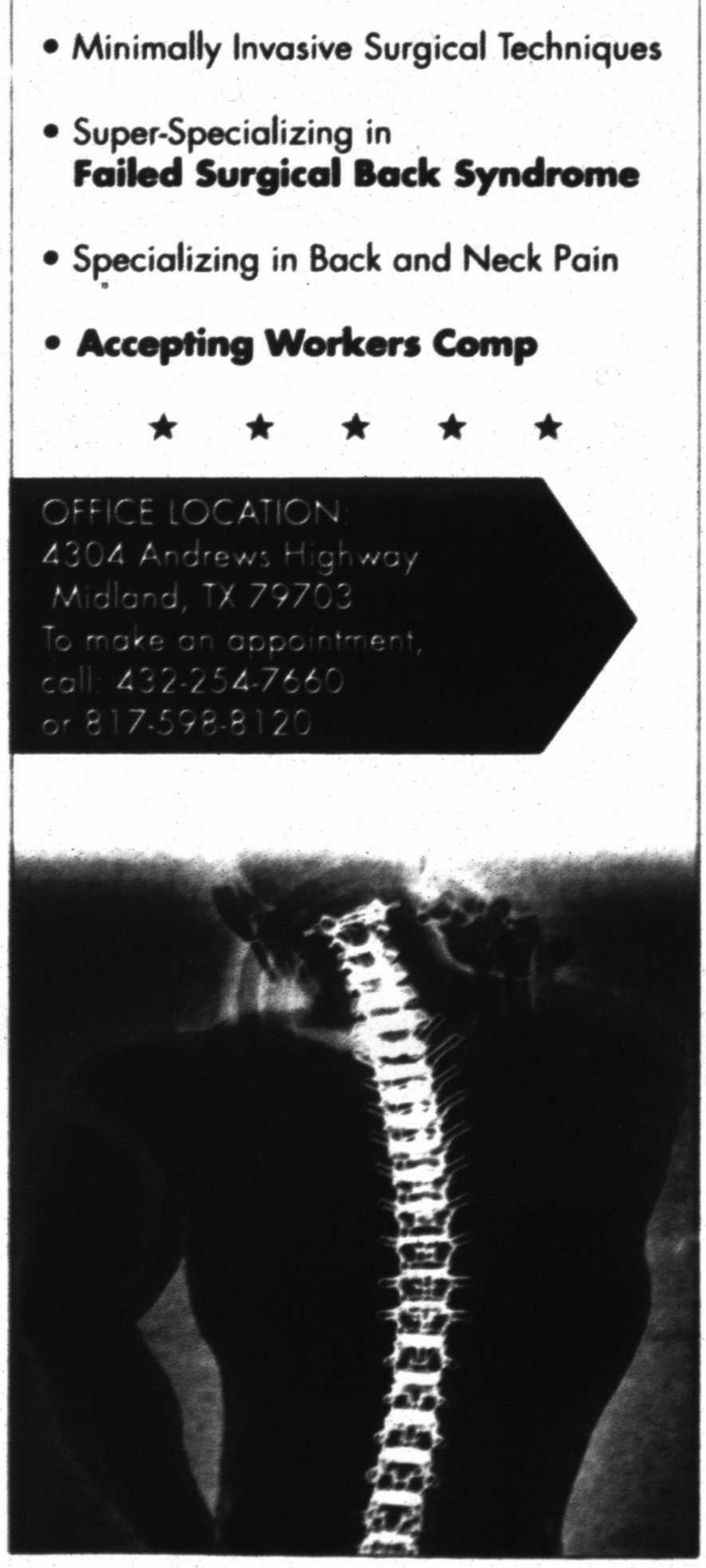

'Living Constitution' faces a mercy killing

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How dare an 81-year-old man retire from the Supreme Court? How dare he?

That, in a nutshell, seems to be the widespread reaction among many liberals to the announcement that Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy will step down from the bench next month.

"Anthony Kennedy Just Destroyed His Legacy as a Gay Rights Hero," announced a headline at Slate. Twitter, that great Hieronymus Bosch painting of our collective id, was aflame in what can only described as full-on liberal panic. "The future of our democracy is at stake," proclaimed House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi.

This gnashing of teeth and rending of cloth is a symptom of the dysfunction and corruption of the constitutional order. The reason Kennedy's retirement matters so much is that he was the swing vote, the justice who could bequeath victory or defeat to the liberal or conservative bloc in any important case that divided the court.

And the reason the swing vote matters so much is that we've made the Supreme Court far too important in our lives. By being the deciding vote on so many issues, Kennedy in effect became the court itself, making him the de facto incarnation of the judicial branch, the way the president is the physical personification of the executive branch. This became all the more problematic because Kennedy's philosophy of judicial review all too often took the form of a deep personal inventory of his feelings rather than of Constitution's text.

Thus, Kennedy's decision not to live forever — or at least until a Democratic appointee could replace the Reagan-appointed justice — was seen as a personal betrayal, because the political has become so personal for so many.

"I never thought I'd say this, but you're only 81!" late-night comedian Stephen Colbert exclaimed. "You know what they say. They say 81 is the new 79! And don't tell me your mind's going, because I've read Bush v. Gore and Citizens United, you never had one!"

A Comedy Central writer tweeted (and later deleted) that he wished "this Kennedy had been shot instead of the other ones." To think such things, never mind to state them publicly, can be seen as a symptom of deranged mental health, but also of a deformed civic health.

How did we get here? There are two tracks that converged to deliver us this dysfunction. The first is narrowly political. The Democrats, confident that they were on the right side of history, thought there was no harm in accelerating the rush to total victory. For years, Democrats practiced the rule that all is fair in judicial confirmation battles, starting with the war on Judge Robert Bork in 1987. Then, under the leadership of Barack Obama and then-Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, they did away with the filibuster on judicial appointments short of the Supreme Court, opening the door for Republicans to nudge it slightly more wide open.

The second track is longer. Starting over a century ago, progressives began emphasizing ends over means. If the Supreme Court could deliver wins unattainable at the ballot box and unsupported by the Constitution, so be it. Thus was born the "living Constitution" — the doctrine that holds that the magical parchment should mean whatever progressives need it to mean at any moment. This was how Anthony Kennedy became (an apparently temporary) gay-rights hero. After consulting his feelings, he found a Constitutional right no one had found in the text before.

This idea that the Supreme Court is there to serve as a Praetorian Guard around progressive policies was on full display this past week. Prior to Kennedy's retirement announcement, the court issued a 5-4 ruling in Janus v. AFSCME, which held that public-sector unions can't compel nonunion members to pay fees for union representation, thus violating the First Amendment.

Justice Elena Kagan caustically disagreed. For her, the problem with the decision was that, "Public employee unions will lose a secure source of financial support."

"The First Amendment was meant for better things," Kagan concluded in her dissent. "It was meant not to undermine but to protect democratic governance — including over the role of public-sector unions."

In short: The Supreme Court isn't there to protect the meaning of the First Amendment; the Supreme Court is there to protect a secure source of financial support for public-sector unions. If the First Amendment gets in the way, that's OK.

The panic unfolding across the progressive landscape stems from the creeping fear that the Supreme Court might start doing its job — and not the job progressives have assigned it.

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OPINION EXTRA

Anthony Kennedy's replacement should be Amy Barrett

In picking a successor to Justice Anthony Kennedy, President Donald Trump has many fine potential nominees among whom to choose. The top contenders seem to be Amy Coney Barrett, Thomas Hardiman, Brett Kavanaugh, Raymond Kethledge and Amul Thapar, all of whom are well-respected conservative judges.

In my view, Trump should pick Barrett.

She is the youngest of the five top choices, which is a mark in her favor given that the nominee will have life tenure and Trump will want one who will leave a lasting mark on the law.

Her educational history — she went to Rhodes College and Notre Dame Law School — would add a little welcome diversity to a Supreme Court full of Yale and Harvard alumni. It's not the most important consideration, but a little less maturity would be a good thing.

Barrett has also recently been through Senate confirmation to a federal appeals court. She won the support of all the Republicans and three Democrats (Joe Donnelly of Indiana, Tim Kaine of Virginia and Joe Manchin of West Virginia). Some of those senators might rationalize a vote against her for the Supreme Court on the ground that her decisions on the appeals court have disappointed them, or that the high court has more power than the one they voted to put her on. But they will be hard-pressed to argue that she is an extremist given their own recent support.

That confirmation experience also means that we know the likely line of attack on Barrett — and that it will probably backfire. Last year Sen. Dianne Feinstein criticized her for her religious views.

"Dogma lives loudly within you," Feinstein said, in reference to Barrett's Catholic faith. Never mind that Barrett had already said that "it is never appropriate for a judge to apply their personal convictions, whether it derives from faith or personal conviction." Feinstein's office defended the senator by noting that Barrett had also written, in an article for the Notre Dame Alumni Association, that all people play a role "in God's ever-unfolding plan to redeem the world" — which is a fairly basic statement of Christian belief that does not imply support for the judicial imposition of theocracy.

The attack moved Christopher Eisgruber, the president of Princeton University, to defend Barrett as someone "who would serve this country honorably and well" and to add that nominees "ought in any event to be evaluated on the basis of their professional ability and jurisprudential philosophy, not their religion." If Democrats want to make a case against Barrett's religion again, but with the added publicity a Supreme Court nomination would bring, it probably would not play any better.

The main reason I favor Barrett, though, is the obvious one: She's a woman. It may be that in an ideal world, the sex of a Supreme Court nominee would not matter. But opposing a woman will probably be more awkward for senators than opposing a man would be. Also, it cannot be good for conservatism that all three women now on the court are liberals. If Roe v. Wade is ever overturned — as I certainly hope it will be, as it is an unjust decision with no plausible basis in the Constitution — it would be better if it were not done by only male justices, with every female justice in dissent.

So pick Barrett, Mr. President. Let the dogma live loudly on the Supreme Court.

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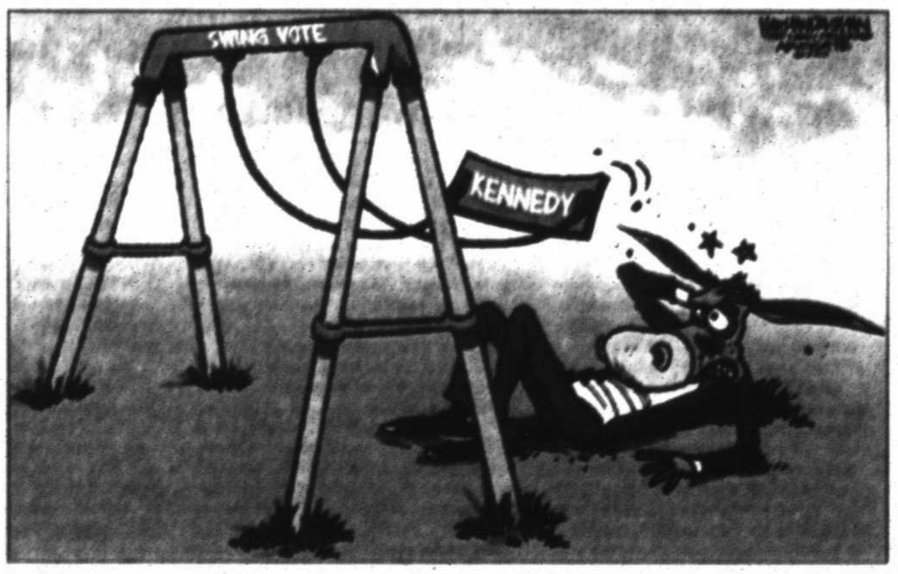

Trump can unite GOP with next pick

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Luck — pure, dumb luck — is an underestimated advantage in politics, and Donald Trump is one lucky man. He ran for the Republican nomination against a fractured field, in which the other candidates tore each other to shreds. He drew a historically unlikable and self-destructive general-election opponent. He got a last-minute boost from then-FBI Director James Comey's inexplicable decision to announce the reopening of the Hillary Clinton email investigation. He entered office on an economic upswing. And he will choose two justices — at least — for the Supreme Court.

For Trump, the retirement of Anthony Kennedy could not be better timed. Replacing the Supreme Court's most prominent swinger combines every culture war battle into a single, all-consuming conflagration. And when hatred is at its height, and civility and comity completely break down, and Americans are at each other's throats, Trump is in his element.

The actual stakes of the struggle are a bit lower than either side — intent on whipping up the froth of their own partisans into stiff peaks — will admit. Activists are already making the shorthand argument that replacing Kennedy with a conservative judge means the death of Roe v. Wade and the illegality of abortion in much of America. In fact, replacing Kennedy with a conservative judge means that Chief Justice John Roberts will become the new swing vote. This will probably make the court more likely to take up decisive and fundamental cases on cultural matters (since the chief justice can be more confident in determining the outcome). But Roberts — as he demonstrated in his 2012 decision leaving Obamacare largely in place — is uncomfortable with sweeping decisions and willing to risk conservative displeasure.

The result of a Roberts-dominated court, over time, would probably be the weakening of Roe's pro-choice absolutism. This would allow states more latitude to make incremental restrictions. But before Roe, many states were already moving in a pro-choice direction. And the availability of abortion has become a deeply entrenched social expectation. A democratically determined outcome in most places would probably involve very few restrictions on early abortions, where a fetus is nearer to being a blastocyst, and greater restrictions on late-term abortions, where a fetus is nearer to being a newborn.

Roe is vulnerable to revision because it is medically, morally and legally incoherent. It drew a series of preposterously arbitrary scientific lines, declared the ethical concerns of millions of Americans inconsequential and forestalled the development of a more stable and legitimate democratic consensus. In all likelihood, Roberts will try gradually — to allow democracy to resume its work in this matter. This is not likely to please those who view abortion as a fundamental right or as a fundamental wrong. But the result would probably be more favorable to the pro-choice position than many pro-choice activists fear.

As a political matter, however, the fight over Kennedy's replacement is a gift to the president. It is a reminder of Trump's adherence to the deal he made with evangelical (and other religiously conservative) supporters: Ignore my bigotry and bad character, and all the kingdoms of the courts, from lowest to highest, will verily be yours.

But it is more than this. In his tariff policy, Trump is an economic illiterate. In his foreign policy, he is an easily manipulated tyro. In his immigration policy, he is condemning Republicans to future defeat. But when it comes to the choice of judges — which he has effectively delegated to the Federalist Society — Trump is firmly in the GOP mainstream. He is making moves that genuinely unite conservatives of all stripes.

If, for example, Trump is wise enough to nominate federal appeals court judge Brett Kavanaugh to the Supreme Court, he will do more than rally his base. Nearly every veteran of the George W. Bush administration will lend their enthusiastic support. When Kavanaugh was Bush's staff secretary (the essential position that handles the paper flow to the president), I was head of speechwriting. And seeing Kavanaugh's concern for accuracy and honesty, his focus on detail, his unfailing decency, his quiet integrity, was one of the joys of my job. Kavanaugh's writings reveal his judicial philosophy. But I also know him to be a conservative by temperament — fair-minded, non-dogmatic and thoughtful.

Others who appear on Trump's short list would have similar broad appeal among conservatives — even Never Trump hardliners. Unless Trump blows this nomination with a foolish, impulsive pick (not impossible), he will enter the midterms with a cause that excites his base *and* unites his party.

Once again, Trump's luck holds.

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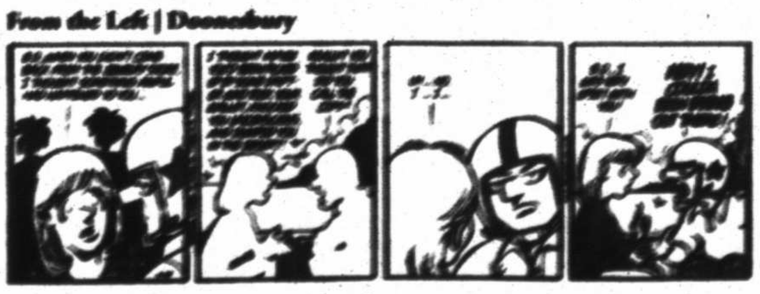

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The never-ending immigration debate needs to come to an end

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Not that it really matters, I guess, but lost, I fear, in this latest toxic outbreak of the long-running domestic debate over immigration law and its enforcement is the frustrating cause of it all:

Horrible neighbors.

And, stick with me here, we are not without blame.

The United States again is twisted into political knots and inertia because some nations to the south of us — including Honduras and El Salvador — are so awful that many of its citizens are willing to subject themselves and their children to long, dangerous, expensive journeys to get here. For others, including many Mexicans, living and work opportunities are better on this side of the Rio Grande.

Some are fleeing life-threatening violence. Some just want better lives and living conditions. Many are willing to do the jobs Americans won't do. I hate that phrase. There shouldn't be "jobs Americans won't do," but somehow we've created an economic system and government-funded safety net that allows there to be a category called "jobs Americans won't do."

America should take all immigrants who are fleeing oppression of some sort. It's kind of the reason America was invented. And it would be nice if we could accept all immigrants simply seeking better economic lives for themselves and their families. That's a legitimate human desire, but it's challenging ask for any nation, even one as bountiful as ours.

The bottom line is we live just north of several nations that have created oppressive living conditions for many of their residents.

It irks me no end that so many have violated our immigration laws that it's become impossible and unrealistic to enforce those laws. And there are far too many people here illegally to reasonably talk about rounding them up and throwing them out.

This latest round of attempted stepped-up border enforcement — featuring the horror of child-detention facilities — reminds us of the futility of trying to enforce our current laws and the political paralysis caused by trying to rewrite those laws.

We indeed are tied into knots by a challenge from outside our borders, a challenge caused by humans, many of whom are doing the most human thing of all by seeking better lives. But the fact is we can't take them all. Another fact is we get to decide who gets in and who doesn't.

Yet another fact is the reality that we've forfeited that previous fact through the sheer volume of foreigners entering our country and the creation of a political process that, to date, has been hopelessly unable to rewrite immigration laws.

Now that I've blamed our neighbors to the south for causing these problems, let's take a look into the mirror and see what reflects back at us.

Diplomatically and otherwise, we meddled in Central American affairs for many, many years. There are those who can draw a direct line from those efforts, some of them many years ago, to unrest that still roils some of those nations. Such can be the consequences of foreign entanglements. They often don't end neatly wrapped up and with a bow.

And some (many? all?) of the problems that inspire so many Mexicans, Hondurans and Salvadorans to undertake perilous journeys north are because those countries have a product so much in demand in the U.S.

Our illegal drug use remains a significant cause of the problems that send people scurrying north to the Rio Grande. And, yes, it's probably time to rethink some of our drug laws.

What impact that might have on living conditions in troubled nations to our south is unknown. And nobody — at least no right-thinking anybody — is talking about legalizing or decriminalizing the hard drugs that help drive economies and problems in some Central American countries.

You're also part of the problem is you benefit, particularly economically, from illegal immigration. This Texas Democratic platform plank makes sense to me as part of the solution: "(We) support strict enforcement and appropriate punishment against those who exploit undocumented workers rather than targeting the workers themselves."

The Texas GOP platform steers clear of anything like that, including silence on it in a plank called "Eliminate illegal immigration magnets."

"No tax dollars should be provided for social or educational programs for illegal aliens. All existing laws providing for in-state tuition and non-emergency medical care shall be rescinded. All non-verifiable foreign-issued identification cards shall be legally invalid in the United States."

Here's the GOP platform's half-hearted nod to the reality that employers benefit from hiring people not legally entitled to work in the U.S.: "We call on the Republican Party of Texas to make eliminating magnets for illegal immigration a legislative priority for the (2019) Texas Legislative," the platform says, "beginning by eliminating the employment magnet by requiring all employers to screen new hires through the free E-Verify system to prevent the hiring of illegal aliens and of anyone not legally authorized to work in the U.S."

There's no mention of penalties for doing so, as the plank talks more to prevention than prosecution.

The United States should be a magnet. The world's in trouble if it stops being so. We need immigrants. We must enforce our borders. The two can be done simultaneously. But first we must stop yelling at each other and create a tone in which our elected leaders can work toward the right equilibrium.

And, despite what you've heard for much of your life, big fences are not always the best way to deal with bad neighbors.

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OUR VIEW

Social Security benefits don't contribute to national debt

Once again, reductions in Social Security benefits are in the news. The recent federal tax cuts are projected to increase the federal deficit. The thinking is that cuts must be made to other programs. Recently, word is that some in Congress are crafting a bill that would reduce future benefits to Social Security. Social Security benefits are paid from Social Security Trust Reserve, not the general fund. Social Security benefits do not contribute to the national debt. The problem is that Congress has borrowed, putting up Treasury Bonds as security. The impact will be repaying the principle and interest to the reserve fund.

Passage of the Social Security Act in 1935 immediately lifted many seniors out of poverty. Social Security benefits decreased the number of seniors living below the poverty level by about 20 percent over the last 50 years.

Social Security is a critical part of retirement income for many seniors. This is especially true for those who just "got by" during their primary wage-earning years. How can a segment of the workforce save for retirement when they don't earn a living wage? How can many save for retirement when groceries, housing, transportation and health care expenses devour nearly all income?

In 2017, the IRS Social Security wage base limit is $127,200. The U.S. Census reports a median household income for the Midland metro area of $71,424. So, half of the wage earners in the Midland area earn less than the median household income. They pay Social Security tax on every dollar they earn. The ceiling keeps rising so they never catch up.

Why not eliminate the Social Security wage base limit? Doing so would result in everyone paying an equal percentage of their earned income. The National Academy of Social Insurance (NASI) indicates that "eliminating the earnings cap *entirely* would solve nearly three-quarters (74 percent) of Social Security's solvency issue."

So, talk about reducing Social Security benefits has not included the disastrous impact on those receiving benefits, nor the contribution disparity resulting from inflation-indexed Social Security wage base limits. Social Security works.

Fred H. Bebnken

Waters has right to call for constituents to assemble

"Bombastic blow-hard" could as easily be attributed to Donald Trump.

If one does not take matters into one's own hands, then whose hands can one depend on to do one's desires? That seems to be the problem with the fact of low voter turnout.

I do not believe Sarah Huckabee Sanders was asked to leave because she works for Trump. I believe she was asked to leave because of her support of Trump's dishonesty and immorality.

I witness a disgusting display of partisan politics every day from people who write your kind of editorials and from hate speech from this president. The business owner was allowed his day in court and won, despite his mythological beliefs. He was not denied due process.

Just as those good people, the Neo-Nazis, have the right of assembly, then Maxine Waters has the right to call for assembly of her constituents.

A reasonable public unwilling to call out people for their rhetoric could also be applied to the Republican Party. I believe this is because of fear of losing their jobs in Washington.

As for Waters resigning, I have no problem with it as long as she takes Trump and his kind with her. Tit for tat.

The barn is about in cinders, so the horse was lucky to get out.

You and I do concur about linguistic responsibility and it not being wishful thinking.

A little history about me: I spent two years in the Army as a draftee from 1968 to 1970. I did not get some doctor to write me a phony excuse about bone spurs in order to avoid service. That would, in my opinion, have been the height of cowardice. I would never insult POWs for their courage, especially if I lacked their courage. I am neither a Republican nor a Democrat. I am a skeptic and a pragmatist.

This is my first response to an editorial — the reason being I find debating the intellectually stupid and ignorant extremely tiring and futile.

David Legg

GUEST VIEW

As a no-income-tax state, Texas should welcome the recent court decision on internet sales taxes

The Dallas Morning News

It's probably safe to say that no one, except for Warren Buffett, wants to pay a higher tax bill.

So we suspect there is more than a little consternation out there about the U.S. Supreme Court's recent ruling that allows for the expansion of sales taxes on the internet. But there are about a billion reasons to cheer the decision in Texas.

First the particulars of the case. In South Dakota vs. Wayfair, the court held that states can compel retailers to collect sales taxes even if those retailers do not have a physical presence in the state. So, for example, a retailer in Massachusetts can be forced to collect South Dakota sales taxes when it sells to customers in that state.

The case actually overturns a previous Supreme Court decision from the early 1990s, which held that forcing retailers to collect taxes for far-off locals was too burdensome.

While Texans — like everyone else — won't relish the idea of paying more in taxes, like nearly everything to do with forking over cash over to the government, there is a little more to this story. Texas is one of a handful of states that has not imposed a personal income tax. Instead, government functions are funded through a variety of other taxes, including sales taxes.

So here is where the court's recent decision can be good for the Lone Star State. According to the Texas comptroller's office, the state loses $1.1 billion in uncollected sales taxes every year. We don't expect the state to experience that kind of windfall, but this decision does make it possible to use the sales-tax system to fund more of the growing needs of the state.

In other words, as Texas collects sales taxes on items sold to residents by out-of-state retailers, it will have a growing revenue stream to meet its needs. That means there will be less pressure to hike other taxes to balance governmental budgets. And with internet sales expected to keep growing, this ruling is likely to continue to enhance the state's tax base for years to come.

The word of caution that we would add here is that smaller retailers will have a harder time than larger companies complying with the sales tax demands of thousands of jurisdictions across the country.

Fortunately, Texas can help lead the way in easing the burden on retailers by looking for ways to make it as cheap and easy as possible to remit sales taxes from out of state. This will help the mom and pop businesses of the world, and we suspect it will increase tax compliance. People tend to be better about paying taxes when it is easy to do so.

Online purchase pumped $453 billion into the nation's economy in 2017, a 16 percent increase over the previous year. Fortunately, Texas taxpayers will now be able to rely on a larger slice of that sales tax revenue.

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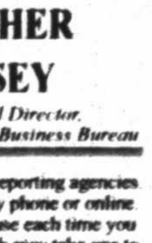
New law mandates free credit freezes starting in September



HEATHER MASSEY
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Every few months it seems we hear about another major hack of consumer information. In the wake of these massive data breaches like Equifax in 2017, which exposed the personal information of millions of Americans, a new federal law will soon allow you to get credit protection, without paying a fee.

In May, Congress passed a bill known as the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act. While the new law loosens restrictions placed on banks following the 2008 financial crisis, it also makes changes to rules regarding consumer credit protection.

When the law takes effect in September, all three major credit reporting agencies, Equifax, Experian and TransUnion will be required to set up a webpage for consumers to request fraud alerts and credit freezes. There are some differences between fraud alerts and credit freezes, so it's important to understand those differences and what changes the new law brings to these options.

CREDIT FREEZE

What is it? A credit freeze limits access to your credit file so no one, including you, can open new accounts until the freeze is lifted.

How does it work? To be fully protected, you must place a freeze with each of the three credit reporting agencies. Freezes can be placed by phone or online. You'll receive a PIN to use each time you freeze or unfreeze, which may take one to three business days.

How long does it last? In Texas, a freeze lasts until you temporarily lift (also known as "thawing") or permanently remove it.

What's new? Currently, credit freezes usually cost around $10 to lock and unlock your account, if you are not a victim of identity theft. This must be done with all three agencies for it to be effective. These costs can add up, and although Equifax now offers free credit freezing, the other two agencies do not. With the new law, all three agencies will offer this option for free.

FRAUD ALERTS

What is it? A fraud alert requires companies to verify your identity before extending new credit. Usually that means calling you to check if you are really trying to open a new account.

How does it work? You contact any one of the three credit reporting agencies and that agency must notify the other two.

How long does it last? Currently, fraud alerts last 90 days and are free. After 90 days, you can renew your alert for an additional 90 days or as many times as you want, at no extra charge.

What's new? Under the new law, initial fraud alerts will last for one year.

There is a third option called a credit lock, which is similar to a credit freeze, but offers more convenience as you can lock or unlock your account through a smartphone app. The drawback is that it is usually associated with monthly fees.

These options cover ways to protect your credit information, but data breaches can put more than just your credit score in danger. Better Business Bureau also offers advice on what to do in case you are a victim of a data breach. Visit www.BBB.org/breach for more information.

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GE's exit from Dow marks the end of an era

M. RAY PERRYMAN
The Economist

General Electric recently was eliminated from the Dow Jones Industrial Average after being a part of the index for more than a century. GE was one of the 12 original stocks included in the index when it was developed in 1896, and while it had come and gone from the index twice in its early days, the company had been continuously part of the Dow since 1907. It was the last of the original stocks to exit, and it is unlikely to return.

The decision to remove GE was based largely on the fact that the firm's shares dropped by 57 percent over a two-year period, contrasted with the Dow's overall 44 percent increase. In addition to the company's challenges, it was decided that a different firm would better reflect the current drivers of the U.S. economy. Walgreens has now replaced GE.

Before the Dow was formed, it was difficult for investors to get a feel for how the market was performing, thus making stocks far less popular than the more tangibly measured bonds. However, the Dow created an approachable, single-number measure that helped raise interest in stock investments across a larger segment of the population. It had a huge cultural impact.

At the time of its creation, the Dow included companies such as American Cotton Oil, Tennessee Coal, Iron, and Railroad Co.; and others indicative of the industrial base of the times. Over time, the index changed along with the economy, adding firms ranging from financials to aviation to pharmaceuticals. In the late 1990s, early technology companies were incorporated. Recently, modern technology, consumer giant, and globalized banks have joined. The Dow now includes 30 stocks traded on both the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations (NASDAQ).

While the Dow is the most widely recognized, there are other indices reflecting various aspects of equities market performance. For example, the Nasdaq Composite Index measures performance of every company traded on this more tech-focused exchange, the Russell 2000 Index reflects performance of businesses that tend to be smaller and domestic, and the S&P 500 tracks companies that tend to be larger and global.

GE's 111-year run as part of the Dow ended on June 26. The elimination of the last of the original 12 stocks in the Index is a symbolic representation of the underlying shifts in the American economy. From a commodities-and transportation orientation to a broad and diverse mix of industries, the U.S. business complex has changed dramatically and continues to evolve. The Dow has morphed along with it, thus maintaining its relevance in a dynamic environment. The times, they are a changin'!!

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Greenwood grad, ex-MC star Bawcom dazzles in return home

By Christopher Hadorn
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Tulsa Drillers pitcher Logan Bawcom couldn't have asked for a better homecoming.

Bawcom, a Greenwood grad and Midland College alum, made the start Saturday for the visiting Tulsa Drillers against his hometown Midland RockHounds at Security Bank Ballpark.

It was a special moment for Bawcom, as he was pitching in front of friends and family, was competing in the Tall City for the first time since his MC days, and was throwing against the team he was once a bat boy for in 2002.

Under the microscope, the 29-year-old pitched like the wily veteran he is with a masterful outing.

Bawcom spun 5 2/3 shutout innings of two-hit ball to register the win in Tulsa's 4-0 victory over the RockHounds. Bawcom struck out eight, walked two and tossed 53 of his 89 pitches for strikes.

"I had a lot of family and friends here," Bawcom said. "Once I get on the field, all that kind of goes away. You just have to focus on the task at hand. That's what I did. It all kind of synced up tonight, which was really nice in front of everybody."

Once ahead in the count, Bawcom used a wicked slider to get RockHounds batters to chase, as he had 12 swinging strikes.

In the third inning, Bawcom tossed a slider that Midland's Richie Martin swung at in the dirt for strike three. But the ball rolled past Tulsa catcher Will Smith and took a fortuitous bounce off the backstop right to Smith, giving him a chance to tag out Skye Bolt at the plate for an out as he attempted

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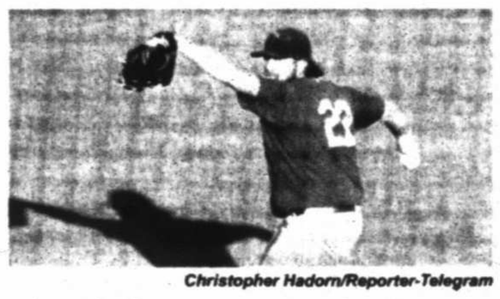

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Tulsa Drillers pitcher, Greenwood grad and former Midland College standout Logan Bawcom delivers a pitch against the Midland RockHounds Saturday at Security Bank Ballpark.

James has options

Gregory Shamus/Pool Photo via AP

Cleveland Cavaliers' LeBron James shoots against Golden State Warriors' Draymond Green on June 6 during the first half of Game 3 of the NBA Finals in Cleveland.

LeBron returns to LA to plot next move as free agency nears

By Tom Withers
Associated Press

CLEVELAND — LeBron James flew back to Los Angeles from a family vacation in the Caribbean. He could be there longer than usual.

Hours before NBA free agency opened with the three-time champion as its most coveted prize, James returned Saturday to Southern California, where he has two homes and a film production company. The Lakers are hoping they can persuade him to sign with them and return them to glory.

Los Angeles is among the teams in the mix to land James after his agent told the Cleveland Cavaliers on Friday that he will not exercise his $35.6 million contract option for next season. At 12:01 a.m. Sunday, James will be an unrestricted free agent, and agent Rich Paul is expected to contact several teams with the Lakers and Cavs atop his list.

By declining his option, James positioned himself to be able to choose where he'll play next, and Cleveland, just up the road from his home near Akron, remains a strong possibility. But there are at least three other teams — and maybe an outsider or two — with legitimate shots at landing James, who made it clear following this year's NBA Finals that he's still driven to win championships.

While every team dreams of being ruled by King James, only a few have a legit chance of signing him.

Here are the cases — for and against — the leading contenders:

Cleveland

WHY: Home; money.

James came back four years ago to a hero's welcome, something that seemed unimaginable when he left in disgrace four years earlier for Miami. But he vowed to do everything he could to deliver a title to championship-starved Cleveland. He delivered in 2016, erasing past sins and raising James to a worshipped level few athletes in any sport have experienced. His family is comfortable here and it's where he has complete control.

The Cavs can also offer him the most lucrative package, a five-year, $209 million contract.

WHY NOT: Flawed roster; blemished relationship with owner Dan Gilbert.

Last summer's stunning trade of guard Kyrie Irving left the Cavs without a quality running mate for James, who was forced to carry a heavier offensive load throughout the regular season and playoffs. Cleveland has deep salary-cap issues — partially caused by James' failure to commit long-term — and the Cavs currently lack enough talent to unseat the champion Golden State Warriors.

Gilbert and James mended some fences for his return in 2014, but they remain distant other than a shared commitment to winning. Gilbert has gone above and beyond financial barriers to appease James, but the well could be running dry.

Los Angeles Lakers

WHY: Salary-cap space; business interests; iconic franchise.

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Messi and Ronaldo exit World Cup without titles

By Ronald Blum
Associated Press

MOSCOW — Lionel Messi stared, hands on hips, pain etched across a face once boyish and filled with limitless joy, now obscured by a brown beard and hardened by expectations for his nation unmet.

Messi

Four hours later and 950 miles away, Cristiano Ronaldo's eyes were wide in anger as he shouted in protest just ahead of the final whistle, once again arguing with a referee. The tirade got Ronaldo a second yellow card that would have suspended him for the next match. No worries, Portugal's World Cup ended with a loss.

Saturday will likely mark the end of an era for the World Cup, a decade in which much of the hype and pre-tournament talk has been about the best players in the world, the Spanish league rivals who have evenly split the last 10 FIFA Player of the Year Awards. Once again, both men have failed to replicate their club success for their countries.

Messi is a week past his 31st birthday and Ronaldo 33, former phenoms unlikely to reach Qatar 2022 or retain their exceptional skill if they manage to hang on.

Ronaldo

For both superstars, a World Cup title remained an unreachable star. On Saturday, they were both outshined by a pair of Paris Saint-Germain teammates, France's Kylian Mbappe and Uruguay's Edinson Cavani. Younger legs have more speed and endurance. Most importantly, Cavani and Mbappe had more support and less pressure.

Messi hasn't won a senior title with his nation, losing finals at the 2014 World Cup, and the 2007, '15 and '16 Copa Americas, the last when Messi failed on his penalty kick during a shootout. He faced massive criticism at home and retired from the national team only to be lured back for this World Cup cycle.

Ronaldo lost a World Cup semifinal in 2006 but never got past the second round again. He did help Portugal to its first European Championship in 2016.

If Argentina and Portugal won Saturday, the rivals would have matched up for a spot in the semifinals. Instead, they'll race to the airport. Argentina lost to France 4-3 in Kazan and Portugal fell to Uruguay 2-1 at Sochi.

Brazil's Pele and Argentina's Diego Maradona became national treasures at home, celebrated for World Cup titles and global superstars. Fans who never saw them play for their clubs know of Pele and Maradona's accomplishments every four years at the global tournament.

Messi and Ronaldo will be remembered for

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Martin Truex Jr., speaks at a news conference Saturday at Chicagoland Speedway in Joliet, Ill.

Martin Truex Jr. trying for 3rd straight win

By Jay Cohen
Associated Press

JOLIET, Ill. — Martin Truex Jr. just celebrated his 38th birthday. He has won two of his last three races. He is spending this weekend at one of his favorite tracks.

So yes, life is quite good at the moment.

Truex appears to be picking up some momentum as he tries to become the first repeat NASCAR Cup Series champion since Jimmie Johnson won five in a row from 2006 to 2010. He goes for his third consecutive victory at Chicagoland Speedway this Sunday.

"This track has always been really good for me. Obviously, the last two years, it's been really good," said Truex, who turned 38 on Friday. "I had to overcome a lot of issues here both years it seems like to be able to get the win. That's kind of neat looking back on our two races here, what we had to overcome to win. This year is going to be different, I think."

Truex had to deal with a completely unraveled tire on his way to the Chicagoland victory in 2016. He had an early pit-road penalty last year, but he led for 75 laps and finished more than 7 seconds ahead of second-place Chase Elliott.

Truex and the rest of the Cup Series face a different challenge on this visit to the bumpy 1.5-mile oval. Chicagoland was being staged in September as NASCAR's playoff opener, but it has a mid-summer date this season and the forecast calls for temperatures in the 90s.

Truex was 12th in qualifying on Saturday, turning a lap in 174.656 mph. But his car failed its inspection, sending him all the way back to the 36th starting position.

"Grip's been tough to find this weekend for a lot of guys," he said. "New tires as well, so I mean there's a lot of new things going on. It's definitely going to be tougher, I would imagine that the groove's going to be probably on average a little bit higher than when we run here in the fall. I think more guys are going to get the top working. It's definitely going to be different, but how much it's hard to say right now."

Truex is coming off a win last weekend at Sonoma, outdueling Kevin Harvick on the road course for his third victory of the season in his Furniture Row Racing Toyota. He also won at Pocono on June 3, holding off a hard-charging Kyle Larson.

Truex, Harvick and Kyle Busch have combined for 12 wins in the first 16 races on the Cup Series. The only other winners this season are Austin Dillon, Clint Bowyer and Joey Logano.

With his three victories, Truex could use the rest of the summer to experiment with his car ahead of the playoffs. But Truex called that strategy "a little bit overblown."

"The experimentation thing I think is something that is more old school," he said. "This day and age you

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Baseball

Texas League: Tulsa at Frisco, 7 p.m., FSSW

Golf

EPGA: HNA Open de France, Final Round, 6:30 a.m., GOLF

PGA: Quicken Loans National, Final Round, Noon, GOLF

PGA: Quicken Loans National, Final Round, 2 p.m., CBS

2018 KPMG Women's PGA Championship, Final Round, 2 p.m., NBC

US Senior Open, Final Round, 3 p.m., FS1

Major League Baseball

Houston at Tampa Bay, Noon, ATTSW

Atlanta at St. Louis, 1 p.m., MLB

Chicago White Sox at Texas, 2 p.m., FSSW

Boston at NY Yankees, 7 p.m., ESPN, ESPNDEP

Men's Soccer

World Cup, Rd of 16: Spain vs. Russia, 9 a.m., FOX, TELE

World Cup, Rd of 16: Croatia vs. Denmark, 1 p.m., FOX, TELE

MLS: Toronto FC vs. New York Red Bulls, 3:30 p.m., FOX, FXDEP

Motorsports

F1: eyetime Austrian Grand Prix, 8:05 a.m., ESPN2, Uni-Mas, UDN

IMSA Weathertech Sportscar Championship: Sahlen's Six Hours at the Glen, 8:30 a.m., FS1

Monster Energy Cup Series: Overton's 400, 1:30 p.m., NBCSN

Women's Soccer

NWSL: Chicago Red Stars vs. Washington Spirit, 5 p.m., go90

RADIO

Major League Baseball

Houston at Tampa Bay, Noon, KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)

Chicago White Sox at Texas, 2 p.m., KPET 105.1 FM/690 AM (Lamesa), KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)

Men's Soccer

World Cup, Rd of 16: Spain vs. Russia, 9 a.m., KXFS 93.7 FM

World Cup, Rd of 16: Croatia vs. Denmark, 1 p.m., KXFS 93.7 FM

Texas League Baseball

Springfield at Midland, 4 p.m., KCRS 95.5 FM/97.5 FM/550 AM

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

BOSTON RED SOX — Sent RHP Tyler Thornburg to Pawtucket (IL) for a rehab assignment.

HOUSTON ASTROS — Sent RHP Joe Smith to Corpus Christi (TL) for a rehab assignment.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Sent 3B Chasior Culbreth to Omaha (PCL) for a rehab assignment.

LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Optioned OF Michael Hermosillo to Salt Lake (PCL). Recalled UT Kaleb Cowart from Salt Lake. Sent RHP Garrett Richards and 1B Jefry Marte to Inland Empire (Cal) for rehab assignments.

MINNESOTA TWINS — Optioned RHP Alan Busenitz to Rochester (IL). Recalled LHP Adalberto Mejia from Rochester.

TAMPA BAY RAYS — Placed RHP Wilmer Font on the 10-day DL. Recalled RHP Hunter Wood from Durham (IL).

TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Placed RHP Ryan Tepera on the 10-day DL, retroactive to Thursday. Recalled RHP Jake Petricka from Buffalo. Selected the contract of OF Darrell Sweeney from Buffalo.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Optioned RHP Jimmie Sherfy to Reno (PCL). Recalled 1B Christian Walker from Reno. Sent OFs Steven Souza Jr. and A.J. Pollock to Reno for rehab assignments.

CHICAGO CUBS — Sent RHP Carl Edwards Jr. to Iowa (PCL) for a rehab assignment.

COLORADO ROCKIES — Optioned RHP Jon Gray to Albuquerque (PCL). Recalled OF Raimel Tapia from Albuquerque.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Optioned RHP Walker Buehler to Rancho Cucamonga (Cal). Recalled RHP J.T. Chargois from Oklahoma City (PCL).

MIAMI MARLINS — Optioned RHP Ben Meyer to New Orleans (PCL). Recalled RHP Pablo Lopez from New Orleans. Signed LHP Alex Vesia to a minor league contract.

MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Sent RHP Zach Davies to Wisconsin (MWL) for a rehab assignment.

NEW YORK METS — Optioned RHP Gerson Bautista to Las Vegas (PCL). Recalled RHP Corey Oswalt from Las Vegas.

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Signed LHP Kevian Kilgore to a minor league contract.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Placed RHP Chad Kuhl on the 10-day DL, retroactive to Wednesday. Recalled 2B Max Moroff from Indianapolis (IL).

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Claimed LHP Tyler Webb off waivers from San Diego and optioned him to Memphis (PCL). Transferred RHP Alex Reyes to the 60-day DL. Sent SS Paul DeJong and RHP Matt Bowman to Memphis for rehab assignments. Signed SS Zach Gahagan to a minor league contract.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Optioned LHP Sammy Solis to Syracuse (IL). Reinstated RHP Jeremy Hellickson from the 10-day DL. Transferred 1B Ryan Zimmerman to the 60-day DL. Signed RHPs Chandler Day and Reid Schaller to minor league contracts.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION

FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS — Released C Quinn Inby.

TEXAS AIRHOGS — Signed LHP Sean Stutzman.

WINNIPEG GOLDEYES — Claimed RHP John Stroka off waivers from St. Paul. Announced INF Eric Aguilera signed with Algodoneros de Union (Mexican League).

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

ATLANTA HAWKS — Waived G Isaiah Taylor.

LOS ANGELES LAKERS — Waived C Thomas Bryant.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ANAHEIM DUCKS — Traded LW Nic Kerdiles to Winnipeg for C Chase De Leo.

MONTREAL CANADIENS — Traded D Simon Bourque to Winnipeg for RW Joel Armia, G Steve Mason, 2019 seventh-round and 2020 fourth-round draft picks.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Re-signed G Eddie Lack to a one-year, one-way contract.

WNBA GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	10	5	.667	—
Connecticut	9	6	.600	1
Atlanta	7	8	.467	3
Chicago	6	9	.400	4
New York	4	11	.267	6
Indiana	1	15	.063	9½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	12	5	.706	—
Los Angeles	11	5	.688	½
Seattle	11	5	.688	½
Minnesota	9	6	.600	2
Dallas	7	7	.500	3½
Las Vegas	6	11	.353	6

Saturday's Scores

Phoenix 84, Washington 74

Today's Game

Minnesota at Dallas, 3 p.m.

Las Vegas at Los Angeles, 4 p.m.

Atlanta at Indiana, 4 p.m.

New York at Chicago, 5 p.m.

Connecticut at Seattle, 6 p.m.

MLS GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Atlanta United FC	11	3	4	37	38	20
New York City FC	9	3	4	31	32	21
New York	9	4	2	29	33	16
Columbus	7	5	6	27	22	18
New England	6	4	6	24	27	23
Montreal	7	11	0	21	22	31
Philadelphia	6	7	3	21	20	21
Chicago	5	7	5	20	24	29
Orlando City	6	10	1	19	24	37
Toronto FC	4	8	3	15	24	29
D.C. United	2	6	4	10	19	24

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Sporting Kansas City	9	3	5	32	31	18
FC Dallas	9	2	5	32	25	17
Los Angeles FC	8	4	3	27	31	24
Portland	7	3	5	26	24	21
Real Salt Lake	7	7	2	23	28	30
Vancouver	6	6	5	23	26	34
Houston	6	6	3	21	31	24
LA Galaxy	6	7	2	20	22	23
Minnesota United	5	10	1	16	19	30
Seattle	3	9	3	12	13	21
Colorado	3	9	3	12	19	28
San Jose	2	9	5	11	25	32

Scores & Schedule

Saturday's Scores

Portland 3, Seattle 2

Atlanta United FC 4, Orlando City 0

Montreal 2, Sporting Kansas City 0

Real Salt Lake at Columbus, late

D.C. United at New England, late

Philadelphia at Los Angeles FC, late

New York City FC at Chicago, late

LA Galaxy at San Jose, late

Today's Games

New York at Toronto FC, 3:30 p.m.

Colorado at Vancouver, 6 p.m.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

June 30

At Chesapeake Arena, Oklahoma City, (ESPN), Gilberto Ramirez vs. Rasmus Abass Angah, 12, for Ramirez's WBO super middleweight title; Alex Saucedo vs. Lenny Zappavigna, 10, junior welterweights.

July 7

At Astana, Kazakhstan, Beibut Shumenov vs. Hom Allunloya, 12, for the vacant WBA cruiserweight title.

At Save Mart Arena, Fresno, Calif. (ESPN), Jose Ramirez vs. Danny O'Connor, 12, for Ramirez's WBC junior welterweight title; Egidijus Kavaliauskas vs. Juan Carlos Abreu, 10, welterweights; Andy Vargas vs. Frank De Alba, 10, junior lightweights; Andy Ruiz vs. Kevin Johnson, 10, heavyweights.

July 13

At Kobe, Japan, Ryoya Yamashita vs. Vic Saludar, 12, for Yamashita's WBO atomweight title; Reiya Konishi vs. Ginjo Shiratsu, 12, for the WBO Asia Pacific junior flyweight title.

At Los Angeles (ESPN), Joel Gonzalez vs. Rafael Rivera, 10, featherweights.

July 14

At Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, Lucas Matthysse vs. Manny Pacquiao, 12, for Matthysse's WBA World welterweight title; Ekput Mthalane vs. Mohammad Waseem, 12, for the vacant IBF flyweight title; Carlos Carvalho vs. Bin Liu, 12, for Carvalho's WBA junior flyweight title; Jhack Tepora vs. Eduardo Griego, 12, featherweights; Muhammad Fakhar vs. Abdullah Pazwazan, 10, light heavyweights.

At Offenburg, Germany, Tyron Zeuge vs. Rocky Fielding, 12, for Zeuge's WBA super middleweight title.

At London, George Groves vs. Callum Smith, 12, for Groves' WBA super middleweight title (World Boxing Super Series final).

At Lakefront Arena, New Orleans (ESPN), Regis Prograis vs. Juan Jose Velasco, 12, for Prograis' WBC interim junior welterweight title; Teofimo Lopez vs. William Silva, 10, lightweights.

July 20

At Mohegan Casino (DVD), Stanionis, Jason Sosa vs. Armando Alvarez, 10, welterweights.

July 21

At Shawnee, Oklahoma, Leigh vs. Murat Gassiev, 12, for undisputed cruiserweight title (World Boxing Super Series final).

At Hard Rock Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas (HBO), Jonny Mangubat vs. Liam Smith, 12, for Mangubat's WBO junior middleweight title; Alberto Machado vs. Rafael Marochi, 12, for Machado's WBA junior lightweight title.

July 28

At Kissimmee, Fla., Christopher Diaz vs. Eduardo Ito, 12, for vacant WBO junior lightweight title; Carlos Adames vs. Antonio Reyes, 10, welterweights.

Drawn out College World Series is finally over

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The college baseball season finally ended this week when Oregon State defeated Arkansas in three games to win the College World Series.

As I wrote last week, I love watching the CWS but after almost two weeks of the tournament I'm glad it's over.

Thanks to postponements because of rain, the tournament lasted longer than it should have, and really that's not great for fans and players.

The players, especially the ones who are starting a pro career, should not be playing until late June. And bless the fans who traveled and stuck it out through almost two weeks of being in Omaha, Nebraska. Those folks, who were from out of town, must either have a lot of vacation time or just have a lot of free time (maybe unemployed) to watch college baseball.

I hear people say, why don't they move the CWS somewhere else to avoid the Nebraska weather? One, the tournament has been in Omaha forever and it's not going anywhere anytime soon. Also, usually the places with domed stadiums are where professional teams play and they are not willing to give up the stadium for almost two weeks for college baseball. Omaha has embraced college baseball and TD Ameritrade Park was built for the main purpose of hosting the CWS.

If the NCAA wants to consider avoiding playing games for almost two weeks, it might consider shortening the format in the future. But then again, the television contract with ESPN might be too juicy to even think about it.

■ Midland Christian grad Grant Little certainly enjoyed his time of playing in the CWS with Texas Tech, but now he's turning his focus of playing pro ball with the San Diego Padres.

Good for him.

I knew being the 74th overall pick and a reported $800,000 signing bonus would be too good to pass up and now he gets to live out his dream.

Most people won't understand why some college baseball players will jump at the opportunity to go pro if they have a chance. There are those that decide to stay in college because they believe they can further develop get drafted even higher the next season. But for most players, they believe that this is their best shot.

Plus, with college baseball teams only allotted 11.7 scholarships to divide among 30-35 players, most of these players and their families are spending money for the college education.

The thinking is why not take some money up front (for some it could mean quite a bit), get paid while playing a game they love and if they want, go finish up their degree later. They just never know when they might get another chance to live out a childhood dream.

■ Congrats to the Midland RockHounds for putting on another good show for the Texas League All-Star Game this past week.

So what that the game was decided by a home-run swing-off. It's an exhibition game and the players are there mostly to have fun along with the fans.

I was covering the 2004 TL All-Star Game at Security Bank Ballpark when the game had to end in a tie because both teams ran out of pitchers. That was a bit of a downer even though the average person wouldn't remember days later who won or lost the game. It was good that Texas League officials and the managers got together and decided early to discuss the what ifs.

I kind of liken the home run swing-off to deciding a game on penalty kicks in soccer. To me it adds to the drama and excitement. It's certainly better than a walk-off walk.

■ And finally, I hope everyone enjoys the Fourth of July. Be safe and be kind to each other and celebrate why we love living in this country. Despite our differences in what has become a polarized environment, we must remember that we are stronger together than apart.

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So much different for Murray at Wimbledon this time

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

Murray

LONDON — Everything's changed for Andy Murray at Wimbledon this time.

A two-time champion at the All England Club, he's not really considered a serious title contender — by himself or by anyone else, for that matter.

He is not as prepared as usual as the grass-court Grand Slam tournament's Monday start approaches, having played a total of three matches all year after recently returning from hip surgery.

He is not seeded, because his ranking is outside the top 150.

Murray is, however, thrilled to be playing, provided nothing crops up before he's scheduled to face Benoit Paire of France in the first round Tuesday.

"I always want to be here competing. It feels a little bit odd coming into the tournament this year," Murray said Saturday after practicing at the All England Club. "Normally, like, at this stage, I feel really nervous, lots of pressure, and I expect a lot of myself around this time of year. I've always loved that and enjoyed that in a way. It has been difficult, but enjoyed it. Whereas this year, it feels very, very different."

The first British man in 77 years to win a Wimbledon singles title when he did so in 2013, before adding another in 2016, Murray lost in the quarterfinals in 2017 to Sam Querrey, clearly hampered by his hip. Murray wound up not playing another match last season, then had his operation in January.

Nearly 12 full months had passed by the time he ventured back into competition at the Queen's Club grass-court event less than two weeks ago. Still with a hitch in his gait, Murray played more than 2½ hours before losing to Nick Kyrgios in three sets.

NHL awaits John Tavares' decision on eve of free agency

By Stephen Whyno and John Wawrow
Associated Press

On the eve of free agency, John Tavares is leaving the NHL guessing about his destination.

Roughly 18 hours until the market opens, the elite center had not chosen between six suitors, with the San Jose Sharks, hometown Toronto Maple Leafs and incumbent New York Islanders considered the most likely options. Tavares could only get an eight-year deal by re-signing with the Islanders, but would have to do so before midnight when that advantage expires.

If the Tavares sweepstakes drag on into Sunday, it would seem to favor San Jose and Toronto, either of which could sign the 27-year-old to a seven-year deal worth $70 million or more. He met this week with the Sharks, Maple Leafs, Islanders, Boston Bruins, Dallas Stars and Tampa Bay Lightning, and his decision could drastically affect the plans of those teams and others.

"I think other teams have admitted, we would have to make moves (to clear salary-cap space)," Bruins general manager Don Sweeny told reporters in Boston on Friday. "Pretty confident we'd be able to do that."

As hockey waited for the Tavares watch to end, several teams made moves Saturday ahead of the frenzy.

The Sharks agreed to terms on a $64 million, eight-year extension with forward Logan Couture, according to a person familiar with the deal who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the deal hasn't been announced. It can't become official until after noon Sunday because it doesn't begin until the 2019-20 season — the same as long-term deals the Los Angeles Kings have with Drew Doughty and Arizona Coyotes have with Oliver Ekman-Larsson and Niklas Hjalmarsson.

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want to have confidence in the things you're doing and continue to do them. So that's kind of the approach we'll take."

Here are a few more things to watch in the Cup Series' return to Chicagoland:

JIMMIE'S SEASON: Johnson is still looking for his first win this season, and Chicagoland is one of three tracks on the Cup Series schedule where he is without a victory. He finished second in 2004, 2008 and 2012. But the track also is the site of his only win in 83 starts on the XFinity Series. He has 83 Cup wins, one away from matching Hall of Famers Bobby Allison and Darrell Waltrip.

REMEMBERING JASON: A couple drivers were planning to pay tribute to Jason Johnson, a sprint car driver who died last weekend at age 41 following a crash at Beaver Dam Raceway in Wisconsin. Larson said he will have a "Forever 41" sticker in place of where his name would be on his car.

NASCAR GLANCE

NASCAR Xfinity Overton's 400 Lineup
Saturday's qualifying; race Sunday
At Chicagoland Speedway
Joliet, Ill.
Lap length: 1.5 miles
Car number in parentheses

1. (21) Paul Menard, Ford, 180.012 mph
2. (12) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 179.880
3. (9) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 179.748
4. (41) Kurt Busch, Ford, 179.545
5. (14) Clint Bowyer, Ford, 179.491
6. (10) Aric Almirola, Ford, 179.259
7. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 179.093
8. (24) William Byron, Chevrolet, 179.057
9. (20) Erik Jones, Toyota, 178.828
10. (19) Daniel Suarez, Toyota, 178.315
11. (4) Kevin Harvick, Ford, 178.761
12. (22) Joey Logano, Ford, 178.731
13. (1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 178.489
14. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 178.047
15. (88) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, 177.754
16. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 177.684
17. (31) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 177.288
18. (42) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 177.223
19. (47) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 177.081
20. (17) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 176.373
21. (6) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 176.557
22. (43) Bubba Wallace , Chevrolet, 176.378
23. (38) David Ragan, Ford, 175.890
24. (95) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 175.827
25. (13) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 175.467
26. (34) Michael McDowell, Ford, 174.309
27. (15) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 174.087
28. (32) Matt DiBenedetto, Ford, 174.020
29. (23) Gray Gaulding, Toyota, 173.932
30. (99) Kyle Weatherman, Chevrolet, 170.740
31. (00) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 170.412
32. (72) Corey LaJoie, Chevrolet, 169.194
33. (51) BJ McLeod, Chevrolet, 169.099
34. (7) Reed Sorenson, Chevrolet, 168.471
35. (66) Timmy Hill, Toyota, 167.567
36. (78) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota, 0.000
37. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 0.000
38. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 0.000
39. (37) Chris Buescher, Chevrolet, 0.000

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FROM STAFF REPORTS

DRILLERS 4, ROCKHOUNDS 0
At Security Bank Ballpark

TOP HITTERS: Drillers third baseman Michael Ahmed was a one-man wrecking crew as he went 2-for-3 with a home run, three RBI and a sacrifice fly. ... For Tulsa, Drew Jackson and Zach Reks each went 2-for-4 with a double, a run scored and a steal.

TOP PITCHERS: Greenwood grad and Midland College alum Logan Bawcom held Midland to no runs, two hits and two walks over 5 2/3 innings, while striking out eight. Bawcom improved to 3-5 with the Drillers.

HIGHLIGHTS: Errol Robinson doubled to center, plating Drew Jackson in the top of the third to give Tulsa a 1-0 lead. ... The Drillers went ahead 2-0 in the fourth when Ahmed drove home Will Smith with a sacrifice fly to center. ... Ahmed's RBI single brought home Zach Reks and extended Tulsa's advantage to 3-0 in the sixth. ... In the ninth, Ahmed added an insurance run by depositing an opposite-field home run into the right-field bullpen.

NOTES: Tulsa swept the series, 2-0, after Friday's game was rained out. Midland begins a three-game series against the Springfield Cardinals at 4 p.m. today. ... The RockHounds dropped to 1-7 in the second half. Midland was shutout for the third time in five games.

TODAY'S PROBABLES: Springfield — LHP Austin Warner (0-1, 9.00 ERA); Midland — RHP Parker Dunshee (0-1, 4.50).

TL standings

First Half
North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Tulsa (Dodgers)	6	1	.857	—
Arkansas (Mariners)	6	2	.750	½
Northwest Arkansas (Royals)	2	5	.286	4
Springfield (Cardinals)	1	8	.111	6

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Corpus Christi (Astros)	6	3	.667	—
Frisco (Rangers)	6	3	.667	—
San Antonio (Padres)	5	4	.556	1
Midland (Athletics)	1	7	.125	4½

Saturday's Scores

Northwest Arkansas 4, San Antonio 3
Corpus Christi 6, Arkansas 3
Tulsa 4, Midland 0
Springfield at Frisco, late

Today's Games

San Antonio at Arkansas, 2:10 p.m.
Springfield at Midland, 4 p.m.
Corpus Christi at Northwest Arkansas, 4:05 p.m.
Tulsa at Frisco, 7:05 p.m.

DRILLERS 4, ROCKHOUNDS 0								
Tulsa	**ab**	**r**	**h**	**bi**	**Midland**	**ab**	**r**	**h**	**bi**
Robinson ss	5	0	1	1	Martin ss	4	0	0	0
Raley 1b	4	0	1	0	Sportman 2b	4	0	0	0
Diaz cf	5	0	0	0	Ramirez cf	4	0	1	0
Smith c	3	1	0	0	Murphy c	2	0	0	0
Reks dh	4	1	2	0	Brown 1b	4	0	0	0
Peters rf	4	0	0	0	E. White 3b	3	0	1	0
Goeddel lf	3	0	0	0	Manncov lf	3	0	1	0
Ahmed 3b	3	1	2	3	Siddall dh	3	0	0	0
Jackson 2b	4	1	2	0	Bolt rf	3	0	1	0
Totals	**35**	**4**	**8**	**4**	**Totals**	**30**	**0**	**4**	**0**

Tulsa.....001 101 001 —4
Midland.....000 000 000 —0

E – E. White (18), Martin (11) DP – Tulsa 1, Midland 1. LOB – Tulsa 8, Midland 6. 2B – Jackson (17), Robinson (10), Reks (8), Ramirez (20), Bolt (4). HR – Ahmed (4). SB – Smith (2), Reks (4), Jackson (12), E. White (11), Murphy (3). CS – Martin (7). SF — Ahmed.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Tulsa						
Bawcom W, 3-5	6.2	2	0	0	2	8
Moran	1.0	1	0	0	0	2
Copping	1.1	1	0	0	0	1
Baker	1.0	0	0	0	0	1
Midland						
Shore L, 1-5	4.0	3	2	1	1	4
Seddon	4.0	3	1	1	1	2
Romero	1.0	2	1	1	0	1

WP – Bawcom. HBP – by Seddon (Raley), by Baker (Murphy).
T – 2:36. A – 4,602.

Steve Nesius/Associated Press

Houston Astros' Jose Altuve hits a single off Tampa Bay Rays starter Ryne Stanek during the first inning Saturday in St. Petersburg, Fla.

Ramos has 4 RBIs as Rays beat Astros, Verlander 5-2

By Dick Scanlon
Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Justin Verlander's worst start with the Houston Astros might have been OK if not for Wilson Ramos.

Ramos drove in four runs in the first two innings against Verlander and the Tampa Bay Rays went on to a 5-2 win over the Astros on Saturday.

"I wasn't sharp, but also I didn't have luck on my side," Verlander said. "I made an adjustment during the third inning that I thought was good, but it was too little too late."

Verlander (9-4) gave up the most runs (5) and hits (9) of any of his 23 starts since his trade to Houston late last summer. He struck out eight in a season-low five innings after coming in with a major league-leading 1.82 ERA — though it was 4.34 in six June starts. The Astros have lost his last three starts.

Matt Duffy finished with three hits, including two in the first two innings, to help the Rays win for the seventh time in eight tames to move to .500 (41-41) for the first time since June 1.

"I gave up three hard-hit balls, all to the same guy. The rest of 'em, nobody hit the ball hard," Verlander said.

Ramos got the Rays on the scoreboard with a two-run double in the first, and made it 5-0 with a two-run single in the second. Those two at bats summarized Verlander's day.

"The first at bat, I put him in a 3-1 situation where, bases loaded, he knows a heater's coming, and he hit it off the wall. So that's my fault," Verlander said. "His next bat I got a ground ball up the middle on a slider, which is kind of what you're looking for. But it found a hole."

Tampa Bay has held opponents to two runs or fewer in five straight games for only the second time in franchise history.

"The way these guys are throwing right now, we're tough to beat," said Kevin Kiermaier, who scored in each of the first two innings.

Alex Bregman got the Astros on the board with a two-run homer in the sixth off Vidal Nuno. It was Bregman's 16th home run and his fifth in six games.

"They've been throwing the ball well over there, and we haven't really been able to put anything together," Bregman said. "Verlander was a little unfortunate today with some of the weak contact that went for hits, but we've got to do a better job of putting up runs for him.

Nuno (2-0) got the win after pitching 4 2/3 innings of relief, giving up two runs and four hits while striking out four. Sergio Romo pitched ninth for his seventh save in 11 opportunities.

Ryne Stanek pitched the first inning for Tampa Bay, giving up a single to Jose Altuve, Houston's only hit in the first four innings.

Rare error

Adeiny Hechavarria made a fielding error on George Springer's ground-er in the top of the sixth just before Bregman's homer. It ended a streak of 94 games and 319 chances in which the Rays' shortstop had not committed a miscue. It was the longest errorless streak in franchise history for a shortstop. Hechavarria's last error had come on July 30, 2017 at Yankee Stadium.

Trainer's room

Astros: RHP Joe Smith (sore right elbow) will make what the Astros expect to be a final rehab appearance at Double-A Corpus Christi before being activated. ... 1B Yuli Gurriel (paternity leave) is expected to be back in the lineup Sunday.

Rays: RHP Wilmer Font was placed on the 10-day disabled and RHP Hunter Wood was recalled from Triple-A Durham. Manager Kevin Cash said an optimistic timeframe has Font missing eight weeks. ... Cash didn't completely rule out RHP Chris Archer (left abdominal strain) from returning after his first rehab start Tuesday night for Class A Charlotte.

Up next

The series finale will be a matchup of two of baseball's hottest pitchers. Houston RHP Charlie Morton (10-1, 2.54) has won three straight starts and has not given up an earned run in his last two. LHP Blake Snell (10-4, 2.31) did not give up a hit until the seventh inning of the Rays' 11-0 win against Washington on Monday night.

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to advance from third base.

"Sometimes you got to put it in the dirt with two strikes and don't give them a chance to hit it," Bawcom said.

The well-traveled Bawcom has played at 12 minor league stops along the way, and is now in his ninth season of playing baseball professionally.

The 6-foot-2, 220-pound right-hander's career was at a crossroads earlier this year when he was pitching for the Sugar Land Skeeters of the independent Atlantic League before having his contract purchased by the Dodgers on May 16. It's his third stint with the Dodgers after he pitched for the organization from 2010-12 and a second stint in 2016.

"I didn't get a job this offseason," Bawcom said. "I thought I would, it just didn't work out in God's plan. I went down there, I did what I did what I had to do and Lord's will, I signed here and I got to be back with them for the third time, which is awesome. I'm just happy to be here, honestly.

"Once you get out of it, it kind of stinks for a couple of weeks that I was gone. This is my ninth season, my eighth full season so it's been an absolute blast. You get to meet new people and go places that you never thought you'd get to go. Just being from Midland and growing up here and going all over the country and play baseball is just a dream come true."

In addition to this season's independent stint, Bawcom has ventured as far as Venezuela in his career to play winter ball, showing his dedication.

"You have a lot of respect for a guy like that," Drillers manager Scott Hennessey said. "Because he was with us (before) and he went to Indy ball so that shows you what the game means to him. He's matured a lot. He wants to continue. Anytime you have a uniform on, you have a chance (to reach the majors). And guys respect that. He's a veteran presence in our clubhouse and he's great for our club."

In his pro career, Bawcom has primarily served as a reliever, but the Dodgers utilized him as a starter in 2016, and moved him back there this season where he has gone 3-5 with a 4.63 earned run average in nine starts.

However, Bawcom's history as a two-way player at both University of Texas-Arlington and MC makes him an appealing pinch-hitting option for Hennessey.

"Like I tell the reporters that come in, when you put him in as a hitter, you don't think of him as a pitcher, you think of him hitter hitting," Hennessey said.

On Father's Day June 17, Bawcom drew a game-winning bases loaded walk on four pitches in a pinch-hitting situation, pushing the Drillers to a 7-6 victory over Springfield.

"It was my first Father's Day ever," Bawcom said. "I have a little daughter so it was my first one. Getting a chance to bat with two out and bases loaded, that was a pretty cool situation. We ran out of positon guys so I got to go up there."

And Saturday Bawcom added to his special moments in 2018 by returning to the field where he once played high school playoff games, college contests against Odessa College and picked up bats off the ground before his eighth-grade year.

"Getting to come back here out on this mound in a professional outing is pretty dang cool honestly," Bawcom said.

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American League

BLUE JAYS 4
DETROIT 3

TORONTO — Justin Smoak led off the bottom of the ninth inning with a home run and the Toronto Blue Jays beat Detroit 4-3 on Saturday, handing the Tigers their 11th straight loss.

Smoak connected against reliever Joe Jimenez (3-1) for his 11th homer of the season.

Seyunghwan Oh (4-2) worked one inning for the win. Randal Grichuk also homered for the Blue Jays, who have won 10 of 11 at home.

ATHLETICS 7
INDIANS 2

OAKLAND, Calif. — Journeyman Edwin Jackson earned his first win with Oakland, pitching neatly into the seventh inning as the Athletics got their season-high sixth straight victory.

Matt Olson, Dustin Fowler and Josh Phegley homered to help the A's win for the 12th time in 14 games. They've won seven straight against Cleveland and nine of their last 10 against the Indians in Oakland.

ANGELS 6
ORIOLES 2

BALTIMORE — Albert Pujols' RBI double highlighted a five-run eighth inning and Los Angeles handed Baltimore its seventh straight loss.

Playing their 3,000th game under manager Mike Scioscia, the Angels trailed 2-1 before using three hits, three walks and a hit batter to take control against the free-falling Orioles.

After Mychal Givens (0-6) issued a pair of one-out walks, Pujols tied it with his 632nd career double, tying David Ortiz for 10th place on the all-time list. An intentional walk followed, and the go-ahead run scored when Chris Young hit into a force play at third base.

RED SOX 11
YANKEES 0

NEW YORK — Chris Sale pitched his latest Bronx gem, Rafael Devers went 5 for 5 with a first-inning grand slam and the Boston Red Sox held the New York Yankees to two hits during an 11-0 rout Saturday night to take back baseball's best record.

Sale (8-4) allowed only Giancarlo Stanton's clean single over seven innings, striking out 11. He has a 1.73 career ERA against the Yankees, best among pitchers with at least 10 starts against them since 1920. His ERA at Yankee Stadium is 1.86, second only to Seattle's Felix Hernandez among pitchers with five starts.

National League

PHILLIES 3
NATIONALS 2

PHILADELPHIA — Hit on his pitching arm by a line drive, Phillies right-hander Vince Velasquez made a dazzling throw with his left hand, and Philadelphia overcame an injury to its starting pitcher to bea Washington.

Velasquez was struck in the forearm by Adam Eaton's liner in the second inning. He dropped his glove, hustled to retrieve the ball as it deflected toward third base, and unleashed a strong throw with his opposite arm that nipped the speedy Eaton at first for the final out.

Velasquez then dropped to the ground, writhing in pain and was pulled from the game with a bruise.

MARLINS 5
METS 2

MIAMI — Brian Anderson hit a two-run homer off Jacob deGrom and Miami climbed out of last place in the NL East.

For the second game in a row, a Marlins pitcher beat the Mets while making his first major league start. Pablo Lopez (1-0) allowed two runs in six innings in his big league debut.

The Mets (32-48) lost for the 10th time in 11 games and fell into last place for the first time this year. They finished 5-21 this month for the worst June in franchise history, and they've plummeted from 10 games over .500 to 15 under at an earlier date than any team in major league history, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.

REDS 12
BREWERS 3

CINCINNATI (AP) — Reliever Michael Lorenzen hit the second grand slam by a Reds pitcher in a week, and Cincinnati snapped a seven game losing streak.

Lorenzen's pinch-hit grand slam off Jacob Barnes in the seventh inning completed an eight-run rally — Cincinnati's biggest of the season. Lorenzen's fifth career homer drew a curtain call from the crowd of 24,640.

BRAVES 11, CARDINALS 4

ST. LOUIS — Nick Markakis hit a grand slam, Max Fried took a shutout into the seventh inning and Atlanta beat St. Louis.

The Braves have won the first two games of the three-game set. The Cardinals have dropped three in a row.

Fried (1-2) stymied the Cardinals on 101 pitches before being pulled with two outs in the seventh. Recalled from Triple-A Gwinnett to start the game, he struck out 11, allowed four singles and walked three.

Luke Weaver (4-7) went 4 ? innings, giving up 10 runs on eight hits, walking two and striking out five. He gave up homers to Markakis in his final inning and a two-run shot to Ronald Acuna Jr. in the second.

Interleague

CUBS 14
TWINS 9

CHICAGO— Minnesota's Eddie Rosario, Bobby Wilson and Max Kepler all left early because of heat illness on a scorching afternoon at Wrigley Field in the Cubs' win.

Rosario homered in the top of the fifth inning, then was pulled from left field shortly after fielding a hit by Anthony Rizzo in the bottom half. The Cubs said it was 96 degrees at the time with a heat index of 107 — that's a calculation of how hot it actually feels, with the humidity factored in.

Jason Heyward had four of the Cubs' 20 hits. Ben Zobrist had three RBIs and Chicago had a pair of five-run innings. The Cubs rallied from 3-0 and 7-4 deficits and have scored at least 10 runs in three straight games for the first time since April 2003.

Albert Almora Jr. had three hits and drove in two runs as the Cubs won their third in a row.

MLB GLANCE

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	55	28	.657	—
New York	53	27	.663	1
Tampa Bay	41	41	.500	14
Toronto	39	43	.476	16
Baltimore	23	59	.280	32
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	44	37	.543	—
Minnesota	35	44	.443	8
Detroit	35	48	.422	9½
Chicago	28	50	.359	15
Kansas City	25	55	.313	19
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	55	30	.647	—
Seattle	52	31	.627	2
Oakland	45	35	.563	8½
Los Angeles	43	41	.512	11½
Texas	37	46	.446	17

NATIONAL LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	47	34	.580	—
Philadelphia	44	37	.543	3
Washington	42	39	.519	5
Miami	34	50	.405	14½
New York	32	48	.400	14½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	48	34	.585	—
Chicago	46	35	.568	1½
St. Louis	42	39	.519	5½
Pittsburgh	39	42	.481	8½
Cincinnati	35	48	.422	13½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	47	35	.573	—
Los Angeles	43	39	.524	4
San Francisco	43	40	.518	4½
Colorado	41	42	.494	6½
San Diego	38	48	.429	12

Saturday's scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Toronto 4, Detroit 3
L.A. Angels 6, Baltimore 2
Oakland 7, Cleveland 2
Tampa Bay 5, Houston 2
Red Sox 11, Yankees 0
Chicago White Sox at Texas, 9:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, late

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Miami 5, N.Y. Mets 2
Cincinnati 12, Milwaukee 3
Philadelphia 3, Washington 2
Atlanta 11, St. Louis 4
Colorado at L.A. Dodgers, 7:15 p.m.
Pittsburgh at San Diego, late
San Francisco at Arizona, late

INTERLEAGUE

Chicago Cubs 14, Minnesota 9

Today's games

AMERICAN LEAGUE

L.A. Angels (Skaggs 0-0) at Baltimore (Gausman 3-6), 12:05 p.m.
Detroit (Zimmermann 2-6) at Toronto (Happ 10-5), 12:07 p.m.
Houston (Morton 10-1) at Tampa Bay (Snell 10-4), 12:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Lopez 3-5) at Texas (Hamels 4-6), 2:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Clevinger 6-3) at Oakland (Montas 4-1), 3:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Keller 2-2) at Seattle (Paxton 7-2), 3:10 p.m.
Boston (Price 9-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Severino 12-2), 7:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Milwaukee (Peralta 3-0) at Cincinnati (Harvey 3-5), 12:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Matz 3-5) at Miami (Straily 3-3), 12:10 p.m.
Washington (Gonzalez 6-5) at Philadelphia (Arrieta 5-6), 12:35 p.m.
Atlanta (Fiihrenkrz 5-4) at St. Louis (Gant 2-2), 1:15 p.m.
Colorado (Bettis 5-1) at L.A. Dodgers (Stripling 6-2), 3:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Taillon 5-6) at San Diego (Perez 5-5), 3:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Holland 5-7) at Arizona (Godley 9-5), 3:10 p.m.

INTERLEAGUE

Minnesota (Lynn 5-6) at Chicago Cubs (Lester 10-2), 1:20 p.m.

Texas Innes

RAYS 5, ASTROS 2

Houston	ab	r	h	bi	Tampa Bay	ab	r	h	bi
Springer rf	4	1	0	0	Kyrsior cf	3	2	1	0
Bregman 3b	4	1	1	2	M Duffy 3b	4	2	3	0
Altuve 2b	4	0	2	0	Beaver dh	3	1	1	0
Gattis dh	4	0	1	0	W Ramos c	3	0	2	4
Reddick lf	4	0	1	0	Wendle lf	3	0	1	1
White 1b	3	0	0	0	Dan Rbr 2b	4	0	1	0
M Dmnd ss	4	0	0	0	Colon 1b	4	0	0	0
E Mchdo c	3	0	0	0	Gomez rf	4	0	1	0
Marisnk cf	3	0	0	0	Hchvrra ss	4	0	0	0

	Totals	33	2	5	2	Totals			32	5	10	5
Houston												
Tampa Bay												

E—Hechavarria (1). DP—Houston 1. LOB—Houston 5, Tampa Bay 7. 2B—Reddick (8), W.Ramos (10). HR—Bregman (16). SB—Reddick (3). SF—Wendle (5).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Houston						
Verlander L,9-4	5	9	5	5	1	8
Harris	1	0	0	0	0	1
Sipp	1	0	0	0	1	1
Giles	1	1	0	0	0	1
Tampa Bay						
Stanek	1	1	0	0	0	2
Nuno W,2-0	4⅔	4	2	1	0	4
Alvarado H,17	1⅓	0	0	0	1	2
Roe H,19	1	0	0	0	0	1
Romo S,7-11	1	0	0	0	0	0

HBP—by Verlander (Kiermaier).

Linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
BLUE JAYS 4, TIGERS 3

Detroit	012 000 000	—3	7	0
Toronto	000 000 004	—4	7	1

Boyd, A.Wilson (7) and Greiner, J.McCann; Gaviglio, Biagini (8), Oh (9) and Maile. W—Oh 4-2. L—Jimenez 3-1. HRs—Detroit, Castellanos (12), Hicks (7). Toronto, Smoak (11), Grichuk (10).

RAYS 5, ASTROS 2

Houston	000 000 200	—2	5	0
Tampa Bay	200 003 00x	—5	7	0

Verlander, Harris (6), Sipp (7), Giles (8) and B.McCann; Stanek, Nuno (2), Alvarado (6), Roe (8), Romo (9) and Ramos. W—Nuno 2-0. L—Verlander 9-4. Sv—Romo (7). HRs—Houston, Bregman (16).

ATHLETICS 7, INDIANS 2

Cleveland	000 200 000	—2	3	1
Oakland	000 003 04x	—7	8	0

Plutko, O.Perez (6), Olson (7), Tomlin (8), Kontos (8) and Gomez; Jackson, Buchter (7), Pagan (8), Castillo (9), Treinen (9) and Phegley. W—Jackson 1-0. L—Plutko 4-2. Sv—Treinen (3). HRs—Cleveland, Ramirez (24), Lindor (20). Oakland, Olson (16), Fowler (5), Phegley (2).

ANGELS 6, ORIOLES 2

Los Angeles	000 102 003	—6	7	2
Baltimore	200 000 00—	—2	6	0

Skaggs, Ramirez (6), Alvarez (8), J.Anderson (7), Parker (8) and Maldonado; Cashner, Bleier (7), Givens (8), Scott (8), Britton (9) and Joseph. W—J.Anderson 2-2. L—Givens 0-6.

RED SOX 11, YANKEES 0

Boston	400 004 03x	—11	17	0
New York	000 000 000	—0	2	0

Sale, Hanissee (6), Velazquez (8) and Leon Swihart; Gray, Warren (3), Gallegos (6), Holder (8), Shreve (9) and Romine. Hughes(hold). W—Sale 8-4. L—Gray 5-6. HRs—Boston, Leon (4), Devers (14).

INTERLEAGUE
CUBS 14, TWINS 9

Minnesota	000 042 003	—011	0
Chicago	200 150 50x	—1420	0

Mejia, Reed (5), Duke (6), Hildenberger (7), Belisle (7) and B.Wilson; Garver, Chatwood, Duensing (6), J.Wilson (7), Bass (8), Strop (8) and Contreras. W—J.Wilson 2-2. L—Hildenberger 1-2. HRs—Minnesota, Rosario (19).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
MARLINS 5, METS 2

New York	100 001 000	—2	6	1
Miami	200 003 20x	—5	9	0

deGrom, Gsellman (7), Swarzak (8) and Wacsmuth; Lopez, Conley (7), Steckenrider (8), Barraclough (9) and Realmuto. W—Lopez 1-0. L—deGrom 5-4. Sv—Barraclough (8). HRs—New York, Bautista (3), Frazier (9). Miami, Anderson (5).

REDS 12, BREWERS 3

Milwaukee	100 002 000	—3	8	1
Cincinnati	000 011 82x	—1213	2

Chacin, T.Williams (6), Zagurski (7), Barnes (7), Knitz (8) and Kratz; Pina, Mahle, Crochett (6), G.Hernandez (7), Flora (8) and Casali, Barnhart. W—G.Hernandez 3-0. L—Zagurski 0-1. HRs—Milwaukee, Thames (11). Cincinnati, Lorenzen (3).

PHILLIES 3, NATIONALS 2

Washington	010 001 000	—2	8	0
Philadelphia	001 200 00x	—3	7	1

Hellickson, J.Miller (5), Madson (7), K.Herrera (8) and Kieboom; Velasquez, Arano (5), Hunter (5), Morgan (7), Ross (8), Dominguez (9) and Alfaro. W—Arano 1-0. L—Hellickson 2-1. Sv—Dominguez (7). HRs—Washington, Rendon (11). Philadelphia, Herrera (14).

ROCKIES 9, DODGERS 1

Colorado	000 110 100	—3	9	0
Los Angeles	000 001 000	—1	3	0

Marquez, Oberaus (8) and Iannetta; Maeda, Paredes (8), Hudson (8) and Grandal. W—Marquez 5-6. L—Maeda 5-5. Sv—Oberaus (2). HRs—Colorado, Desmond (17). Los Angeles, Hernandez (14).

BRAVES 11, CARDINALS 4

Atlanta	000 002 031	—11	0	1
St. Louis	000 000 004	—4	9	1

Fried, Weber (7), S.Freeman (8) and Suzuki; Weaver, Brebbia (5), Cecil (7), Gomber (8), Norris (8) and Molina, Pena. W—Fried 1-2. L—Weaver 4-7. HRs—Atlanta, Acuna (6), Markakis (6). St. Louis, Martinez (13).

Ex-OC star Ancer, Molinari share lead at National

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

POTOMAC, Md. — Tiger Woods ran off four straight birdies and finished the front nine with seven consecutive one-putt greens. Unlike Francesco Molinari and Abraham Ancer, he couldn't keep it going Saturday in the Quicken Loans National.

Ancer, a former Odessa College star, and Molinari each handled the scorching heat on the TPC Potomac at Avenel Farm and shared the lead going into the final round.

Ancer birdied two of his last three holes for the lowest score of his career, an 8-under 62, giving the 27-year-old Mexican his best shot at a first PGA Tour victory. Ancer has never been in the top 10 going into the final round in 22 previous starts.

Molinari also is going for his first official PGA Tour victory, though that comes with an asterisk. He won a World Golf Championship in Shanghai in 2010, though the PGA Tour did not recognize the HSBC Champions as an official win until a year later.

They were at 13-under 197, two shots clear of Ryan Armour (68) and Zac Blair (66).

Woods was six shots behind, the seventh straight tournament he has been at least five shots behind going into the final round. It sure didn't sound that way, and for most of the round, it didn't look that way.

With his fifth birdie of the front nine, Woods was two shots out of the lead. And then he opened the back nine with a pair of birdie chances just inside 10 feet and missed the both. He never really regained his momentum, finished with another bogey and shot 68.

Considering the scoring average was 69.6 in the third round, he wound up losing two shots to the lead.

"It was frustrating because I played better than what my score indicates," Woods said. "I thought that 10 under would have been a good score for me to end up at for the day, and I could have easily gotten that today on the back nine."

He didn't, and now has more ground to make up.

The nine players ahead of him have combined for just five (official) PGA Tour victories.

Molinaro has five European Tour victories, has played on two Ryder Cup teams and is No. 17 in the world.

The Italian is playing at the National and plans to be at the John Deere Classic in two weeks, even though the European Tour is in the meat of its summer schedule with national opens in France, Ireland and Scotland leading up to the British Open. Molinaro is currently among qualifiers for the Ryder Cup team, but his FedEx Cup standing is at No. 123.

He's making the most of his first trip to the TPC Potomac. Even though he missed a few short putts on the front nine, he closed with a 30-foot birdie putt on the par-3 17th and hit wedge into 5 feet for birdie at the 18th.

"It's where I want to be," Molinari said, referring more to his position on the leaderboard than in heat approaching 100 degrees. "I would have been happy with even 11 or 12 under. The main thing today was to stay close to the leader, so I've done a very good job of that. Tomorrow I just need to go out and do my best, hit as many good shots as possible and see if that would be enough."

Ancer was tied for the lead after the opening round at the Memorial, which is the only other time he has been atop the leaderboard after any round on the PGA Tour. Conditions have been changing since the opening round with so much sun, no rain and fairways that are getting faster. That was more bothersome to Ancer than the heat.

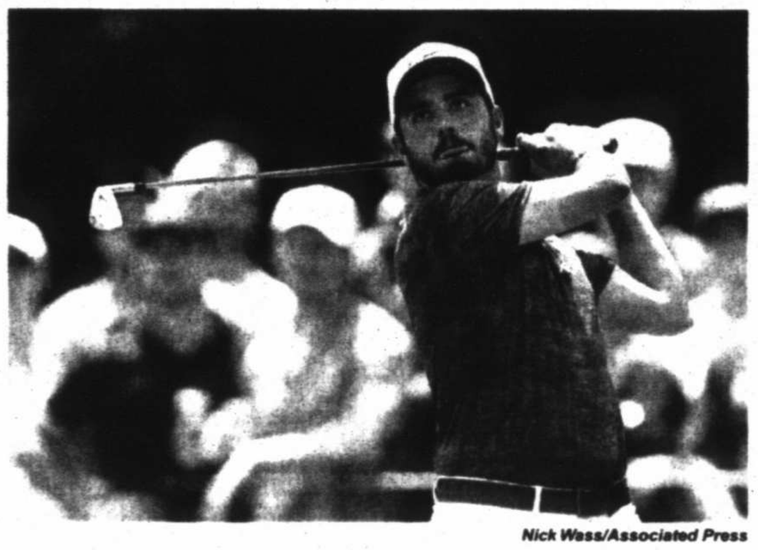
"I grew up in Mexico, in the north part of Mexico where it's very hot," he said. "Didn't bother me. I would rather play in this than cold weather."

The course certainly has everyone's attention.

Woods found that out the hard way with three shots from the rough that sailed some 30 yards over the green, leading to bogeys.

"You have to hit it good. There's no way around it," Ancer said.

Armour shared the 36-hole lead with Beau Hossler and Brian Gay, who both failed to break par. Hossler shot a 71 and was five shots behind, while Gay had a 72. Rickie Fowler, the only player from the top 10 in the world at the TPC Potomac, had a 69 and was eight shots behind.



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Abraham Ancer, of Mexico, watches his tee shot on the third tee during the third round of the Quicken Loans National golf tournament Saturday in Potomac, Md.

PRO GOLF SCORES

PGA-Quicken Loans
Saturday
At TPC Potomac at Avenel Farm
Potomac, Md.
Purse: $7.1 million
Yardage: 7,107; Par: 70
Third Round

Abraham Ancer	**65-70-62—197**
Francesco Molinari	67-65-65—197
Zac Blair	67-66-66—199
Ryan Armour	66-65-68—199
Andrew Landry	63-72-65—200
Kevin Streelman	72-62-67—201
Troy Merritt	68-68-66—202
C.T. Pan	67-67-68—202
Beau Hossler	65-66-71—202
Ryan Blaum	67-72-64—203
Bronson Burgoon	68-70-65—203
Tiger Woods	70-65-68—203
Chesson Hadley	71-64-68—203
Marc Leishman	67-67-69—203
Brian Gay	67-64-72—203
Kyle Stanley	71-67-65—204
Ben Crane	70-68-66—204
Ryan Palmer	70-67-67—204
Sung Kang	72-64-68—204
Joel Dahmen	66-69-69—204
Andrew Putnam	64-71-69—204
Stephan Jaeger	67-73-65—205
Rickie Fowler	70-66-69—205
John Huh	70-64-71—205
Anirban Lahiri	67-74-65—206
Byeong Hun An	69-70-67—206
Tyler Duncan	69-69-68—206
Ethan Tracy	69-69-68—206
Ted Potter, Jr.	72-66-68—206
Stewart Cink	68-69-69—206
Roberto Diaz	68-68-70—206
Ollie Schniederjans	68-68-70—206
Sam Ryder	67-68-71—206
Brandon Harkins	73-68-66—207
Robert Garrigus	70-69-68—207
Kiradech Aphibarnrat	70-69-68—207
Alex Cejka	71-68-68—207
Dylan Meyer	70-67-70—207
Charles Howell III	70-67-70—207
Cameron Percy	69-68-70—207
Johnson Wagner	70-65-72—207
Billy Horschel	64-68-75—207
Blayne Barber	70-70-68—208
J.T. Poston	71-68-69—208
Derek Fathauer	69-68-71—208
Fabián Gómez	68-69-71—208
Adam Schenk	69-67-72—208
Seamus Power	66-70-72—208
Lanto Griffin	68-72-69—209
Adam Hadwin	69-72-68—209
Patrick Rodgers	68-71-70—209
Corey Conners	69-70-70—209
Harold Varner III	73-65-71—209
Jonas Blixt	71-66-72—209
J.J. Spaun	63-73-73—209
Joaquin Niemann	68-67-74—209
Chris Stroud	71-69-70—210
James Hahn	69-70-71—210
Jamie Lovemark	68-70-72—210
Nick Watney	69-72-70—211
Martin Flores	72-68-71—211
David Lingmerth	68-71-72—211
Tom Lovelady	71-68-72—211
Gary Woodland	69-69-73—211
Jimmy Walker	74-67-71—212
Doug Ghim	73-68-71—212
Kevin Na	70-70-72—212
David Hearn	71-69-72—212
Dominic Bozzelli	70-70-73—213
Scott Brown	70-70-73—213
Doc Redman	70-69-74—213
Xinjun Zhang	71-70-73—214
Bill Haas	72-69-74—215
Kevin Tway	70-71-77—218

USGA-U.S. Senior Open
Saturday
At The Broadmoor GC
Colorado Springs, Colo.
Purse: $4 million
Yardage: 7,264; Par: 70
Third Round

Jerry Kelly	66-69-71—206
David Toms	70-71-66—207
Kirk Triplett	74-66-68—208
Tim Petrovic	72-65-71—208
Brandt Jobe	70-73-66—209
Paul Goydos	72-67-70—209
Miguel Angel Jimenez	68-68-73—209
Kevin Sutherland	68-75-67—210
Paul Broadhurst	71-70-69—210
Davis Love III	71-68-71—210
Colin Montgomerie	71-73-67—211
Billy Andrade	71-71-69—211
Jay Haas	70-69-72—211
Philip Golding	72-67-73—212
Lee Janzen	69-75-69—213
Duane Peppas	68-71-74—213
Bernhard Langer	72-76-65—214
Marco Dawson	71-74-69—214
Doug Garwood	74-71-69—214
Joe Durant	71-73-70—214
Tom Pernice Jr.	73-71-70—214
Gene Sauers	73-71-70—214
Billy Mayfair	69-74-71—214
Rocco Mediate	68-74-72—214
Todd Bailey	76-66-72—214
Vijay Singh	72-74-69—215
Wes Short Jr.	74-70-71—215
Scott Verplank	74-70-71—215
Craig Bowden	72-73-71—216
Kenny Perry	71-74-71—216
Christopher Williams	73-72-71—216
Fred Couples	71-73-72—216
Scott Parel	69-73-74—216
a-Jeff Wilson	76-71-70—217
Ken Tanigawa	77-70-70—217
Larry Mize	73-73-71—217
Jeff Maggert	74-71-72—217
David McKenzie	70-74-73—217
a-Mike Finiller	72-75-71—218
David Frost	71-76-71—218
Peter Fowler	73-73-72—218
Joey Sindelar	72-73-73—218
Scott Dunlap	73-71-74—218
Bob Estes	76-68-74—218
Bobby Gage	75-73-71—219
John Cook	72-76-71—219
Carlos Franco	73-72-74—219
Stephen Ames	70-74-75—219
Todd Hamilton	76-72-72—220
Jerry Smith	73-73-74—220
Scott McCarron	72-74-74—220
Tom Werkmeister	74-71-75—220
Bill Glasson	73-72-75—220
Grant Waite	74-71-76—221
Prayad Marksaeng	71-71-79—221
Duffy Waldorf	73-74-75—222
Jarmo Sandelin	73-73-76—222
a-Robby Funk	72-76-75—223
Andre Bossert	75-71-77—223
Mike Genovese	72-76-76—224

LPGA-KPMG Women's PGA Championship
Saturday
At Kemper Lakes GC
Kildeer, Ill.
Purse: $3.85 million
Yardage: 6,741; Par: 72
Third Round

So Yeon Ryu	69-69-67—205
Brooke M. Henderson	67-71-70—208
Sung Hyun Park	66-72-71—209
Angel Yin	73-69-68—210
Bronte Law	72-70-69—211
In-Kyung Kim	73-70-69—212
Hyo Joo Kim	70-72-70—212
Dani Holmqvist	70-71-71—212
Carlota Ciganda	70-69-73—212
Shanshan Feng	74-72-67—213
Lindy Duncan	74-71-68—213
Sarah Jane Smith	73-72-68—213
Jin Young Ko	73-72-68—213
Lizette Salas	70-74-69—213
Amy Yang	70-74-69—213
Ryann O'Toole	73-71-69—213
Se Young Kim	71-71-71—213
Jessica Korda	67-75-71—213
Ashleigh Buhai	72-70-71—213
Anne Park	71-69-73—213
Lydia Ko	74-66-73—213
Moriya Jutanugarn	68-72-73—213
Marina Alex	72-73-69—214
Amy Olson	69-74-71—214
Nasa Hataoka	69-72-73—214
Nelly Korda	74-73-68—215
Eun-Hee Ji	70-75-70—215
Mo Martin	71-73-71—215
Charley Hull	68-75-72—215
Jaye Marie Green	67-74-74—215
Stacy Lewis	70-76-70—216
Jacqui Concolino	70-73-73—216
Cristie Kerr	75-68-73—216
Sandra Gal	72-74-71—217
Minjee Lee	69-76-72—217
Jodi Ewart Shadoff	70-75-72—217
Lee Thompson	72-73-72—217
Michelle Wie	71-74-72—217
Danielle Kang	73-69-75—217
Brittany Altomare	67-75-75—217
Angela Stanford	70-75-73—218
Ariya Jutanugarn	72-73-73—218
Maude-Aimee Leblanc	68-77-73—218
Mel Reid	71-74-73—218
Jane Park	73-72-73—218
Sandra Changkija	72-72-74—218
Minm Lee	70-74-74—218
Robynn Ree	70-73-75—218
Hee Young Park	71-71-76—218
Wichanee Meechai	71-70-77—218
Pannarat Thanapolboonyaras	72-75-72—219
Pernilla Lindberg	71-75-72—219
Georgia Hall	72-74-73—219
Jackie Stoelting	70-75-74—219
Chella Choi	71-74-74—219
Jeong Eun Lee	70-74-75—219
Brittany Lincicome	71-75-74—220
Karrie Webb	70-76-74—220
Sophia Popov	75-71-74—220
Gaby Lopez	71-74-75—220
Emma Talley	71-72-77—220
Caroline Masson	71-76-74—221

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From 5C

With some savvy moves, the Lakers are poised to potentially add two superstars James and Paul George and maybe Kawhi Leonard — to a team featuring up-and-coming talents like Kyle Kuzma, Brandon Ingram and Lonzo Ball, who is reportedly dealing with a knee injury. James loves the Hollywood lights, and with two homes in the Los Angeles area as well as a film production company, he has already established some roots in the land of movie stars and slow-moving traffic. The appeal of playing for one of the league's most storied teams is another allure.

WHY NOT: Youth; the Western Conference.

There's little doubt James has some quality years ahead of him. But does he have enough time to let a group of unproven players with no postseason experience develop into a title contender? And if he jumps conferences for the first time in his career, the path to the Finals is far more treacherous.

Philadelphia

WHY: Rising team; staying in the East.

In Sixers guard Ben Simmons, James sees a younger version of himself and he'd relish the chance to play alongside the 21-year-old while mentoring him. The Sixers also have center Joel Embiid, 24, projected to become the game's next dominant big men. Philadelphia would instantly vault from conference contender to favorite with James, who could make a strong run at his ninth straight Finals in Year One.

WHY NOT: Too young, front-office dysfunction.

Much like the Lakers, the Sixers lack postseason experience and James would be surrounded by players who have barely tasted the postseason. General manager Bryan Colangelo's resignation following an investigation into whether he created Twitter accounts to criticize his own players, has given the impression that the team isn't operating in concert and then would turn off James quickly.

Other contenders

Houston: While the Rockets once seemed a good fit, James declining his option all but eliminated the chances of him joining up with close friend Chris Paul and MVP James Harden. If James had opted in with the Cavs, they could have worked out a sign-and-trade with Houston.

San Antonio: James reveres Spurs coach Gregg Popovich, but living in Texas doesn't seem appealing to the star's family and the Spurs are still trying to figure out what to do with Leonard, who can become a free agent after next season.

Messi

From 1C

great club success, but not country triumph.

Barcelona signed the 13-year-old Messi to a contract scrawled on a napkin in 2000. He was 17 when he made his competitive first-team debut. Titles accumulated at an unprecedented rate: four in the Champions League, nine in La Liga and six in the Copa del Rey. Adulation at Camp Nou turned into worship; media called him "La Pugla (The Flea)" for his small frame and unparalleled acceleration, and Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger equated Messi's moves with a video-game creation, proclaiming he was "like a PlayStation."

He scored at a rate once unfathomable: 383 goals in 418 league matches, 100 in 125 Champions League games and 552 in 637 first-team appearances overall. He was a lifer for one of the most popular clubs in the world, a brand of his own, earning love in Spain but detachment from his countrymen in South America. Too often, his World Cup failures were compared to Maradona's successes.

Ronaldo, too, debuted at 17, for Sporting Lisbon. His crossover dribble was already famous when Alex Ferguson snatched him for Manchester United ahead of the 2003-04 season and gave him the No. 7 of just-departed David Beckham. After six seasons that included three Premier League titles, one Champions League and one FA Cup, he moved to Real Madrid and scored 450 goals in 438 matches, winning four Champions League titles, and the league and cup twice each. He's set a Champions League record with 120 goals, leaving Messi a distant second.

They were soccer's yin and yang, Messi understated and distant, Ronaldo flamboyant with a model girlfriend and attention-grabbing hairdos. They are global spokesmen, Ronaldo for Nike, Toyota and many more, Messi for the likes of Adidas and Pepsi.

Ronaldo grew a goatee for this World Cup. He said it was because of a bet with Portugal teammate Ricardo Quaresma, but it coincided with the release of a commercial of Messi with a real goat — as in "Greatest of All Time."

They have entertained, becoming household names in continents far afield, royalty of the internet age when satellites beamed their twice-a-week matches to homes, bars and laptops in ways Pele, Maradona and predecessors couldn't envisage.

But now their time at the top has come to an end. Mbappe, just 19, and others in the next generation are ready for leading roles. It is too soon to proclaim which will emerge to become the best. As dusk descended late on a midsummer Russian night, dawn was just ahead.

WORLD CUP ROUNDUP

FROM ASSOCIATED PRESS

FRANCE 4
ARGENTINA 3

KAZAN, Russia — What Lionel Messi has never done, 19-year-old Kylian Mbappe did twice.

The quick-footed French teenager scored two goals in a five-minute span of the second half to help his team rally for a 4-3 victory over Argentina. Saturday's victory gave France a spot in the World Cup quarterfinals.

Messi, who turned 31 during his fourth and possibly final World Cup, set up a pair of goals but again failed to score in a knockout match at the biggest event in soccer.

Mbappe got his two in his first attempt.

"Of course, as I've already and always said, in the World Cup you have all the top level players so it is an opportunity to show what you can do and what your abilities are," said Mbappe, who now has three goals in Russia. "There is no better place than a World Cup."

Mbappe was a constant threat to Argentina's creaking defense with his speed and skill and was at the heart of France's often-breathtaking display, particularly in the middle of the second half.

He became the second teenager to score multiple goals in a knockout match at the World Cup. Pele was the other, doing it twice at 17 at the 1958 tournament in Sweden.

"It is flattering to be the second one after Pele but let's put things in context. Pele is another category," Mbappe said. "But it's good to be among the players to score in knockout matches."

With the score 2-2, Mbappe got his first goal with a cool finish from a tight angle in the 64th minute, his low shot going under Argentina goalkeeper Franco Armani. Four minutes later, he slotted past Armani again after he was put through on goal by a deft pass from Oliver Giroud.

Francisco Seco/Associated Press

Portugal's Raphael Guerreiro and Uruguay's Nahitan Nandez, top, challenge for the ball during the round of 16 match between Uruguay and Portugal at the 2018 World Cup on Saturday at the Fisht Stadium in Sochi, Russia.

URUGUAY 2
PORTUGAL 1

SOCHI, Russia — Edinson Cavani upstaged Cristiano Ronaldo, first with his head and then with his right foot, and sent Uruguay to the World Cup quarterfinals.

Cavani scored twice and Ronaldo none Saturday to give Uruguay a 2-1 victory over Portugal.

On the same day Lionel Messi was sent home in Argentina's loss, the other "GOAT" at this tournament was also eliminated. It was two weeks ago that Ronaldo scored a hat trick in the same stadium against Spain, stroking his chin after the first goal to imply he was the "greatest of all time."

There was no goal from Ronaldo this time. Everywhere he went, the Portugal great was hounded by two or three Uruguayan defenders.

It was Cavani who instead took the spotlight. He combined with Luis Suarez to compete a series of precision passes to give Uruguay the early advantage with a header in the seventh minute. And after Portugal equalized on Pepe's header in the 55th minute, it was Cavani again finishing a perfect Uruguay counter in the 62nd with a shot from just inside the penalty area that caught Portugal goalkeeper Rui Patricio slightly out of position and curled inside the far post.

"The truth is, it was really exciting," Cavani said. "There aren't words to describe this."

WORLD CUP GLANCE

GROUP A

	W	T	L	GF	GA	Pts
x-Uruguay	3	0	0	5	0	9
x-Russia	2	1	0	8	4	6
Saudi Arabia	1	0	2	2	7	3
Egypt	0	0	3	2	6	0

x-advanced to second round

GROUP B

	W	T	L	GF	GA	Pts
x-Spain	1	2	0	6	5	5
x-Portugal	1	2	0	5	4	5
Iran	1	1	1	2	2	4
Morocco	0	1	2	2	4	1

GROUP C

	W	T	L	GF	GA	Pts
x-France	2	1	0	5	1	7
x-Denmark	1	2	0	2	1	5
Peru	1	0	2	2	2	3
Australia	0	1	2	2	5	1

GROUP D

	W	T	L	GF	GA	Pts
x-Croatia	3	0	0	7	1	9
x-Argentina	1	1	1	3	5	4
Nigeria	1	0	2	3	4	3
Iceland	0	1	2	2	5	1

GROUP E

	W	T	L	GF	GA	Pts
x-Brazil	2	1	0	5	1	7
x-Switzerland	1	2	0	5	4	5
Serbia	1	0	2	2	4	3
Costa Rica	0	1	2	2	5	1

GROUP F

	W	T	L	GF	GA	Pts
x-Sweden	2	0	1	5	2	6
x-Mexico	2	0	1	3	4	6
South Korea	1	0	2	3	3	3
Germany	1	0	2	2	4	3

GROUP G

	W	T	L	GF	GA	Pts
x-Belgium	3	0	0	9	2	9
x-England	2	0	1	8	3	6
Tunisia	1	0	2	5	8	3
Panama	0	0	3	2	11	0

GROUP H

	W	T	L	GF	GA	Pts
x-Colombia	2	0	1	5	2	6
x-Japan	1	1	1	4	4	4
Senegal	1	1	0	4	4	4
Poland	1	0	2	2	5	3

SECOND ROUND

Saturday, June 30
At Kazan
France 4, Argentina 3

At Sochi
Uruguay 2, Portugal 1

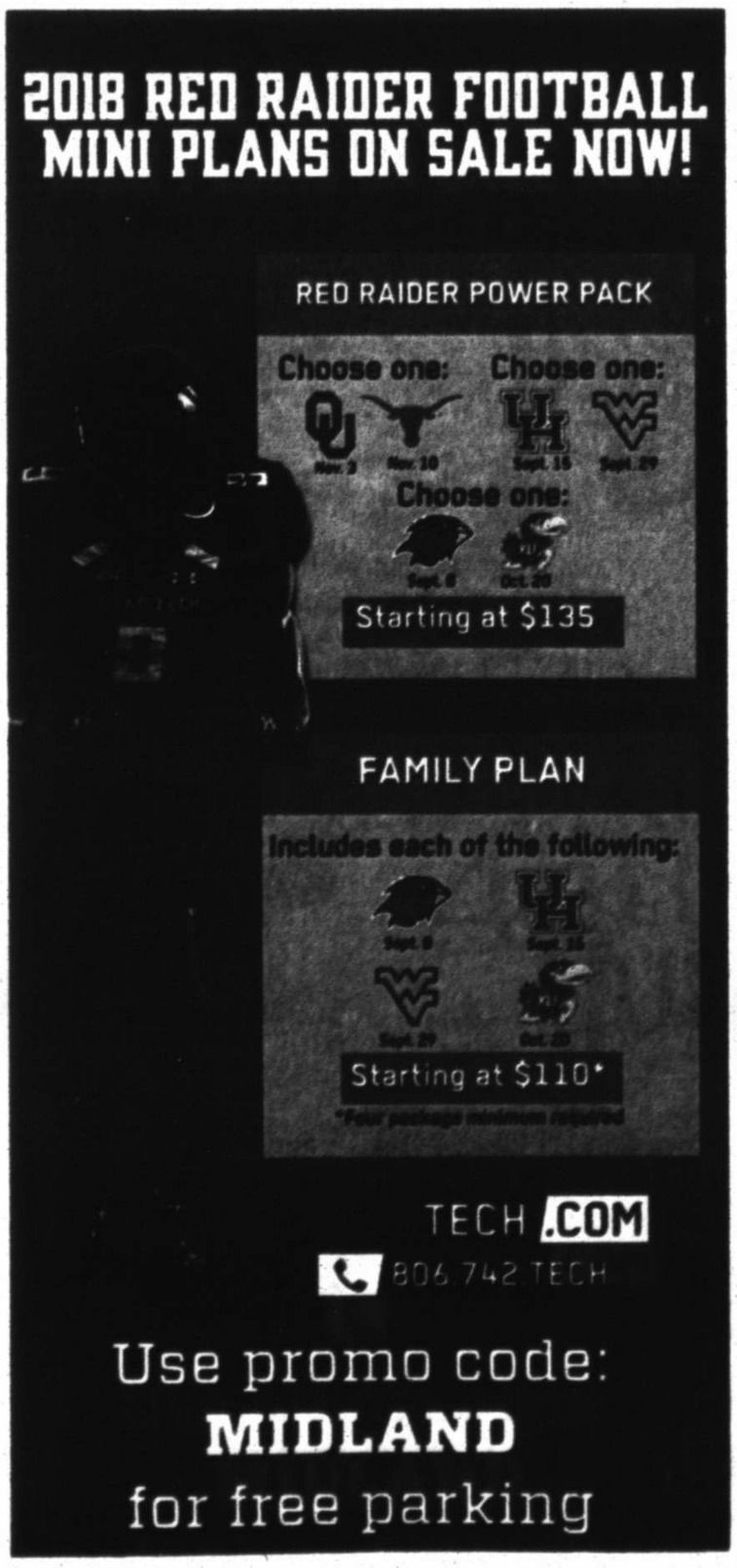
Sunday, July 1
At Moscow
Spain vs. Russia, 9 a.m.

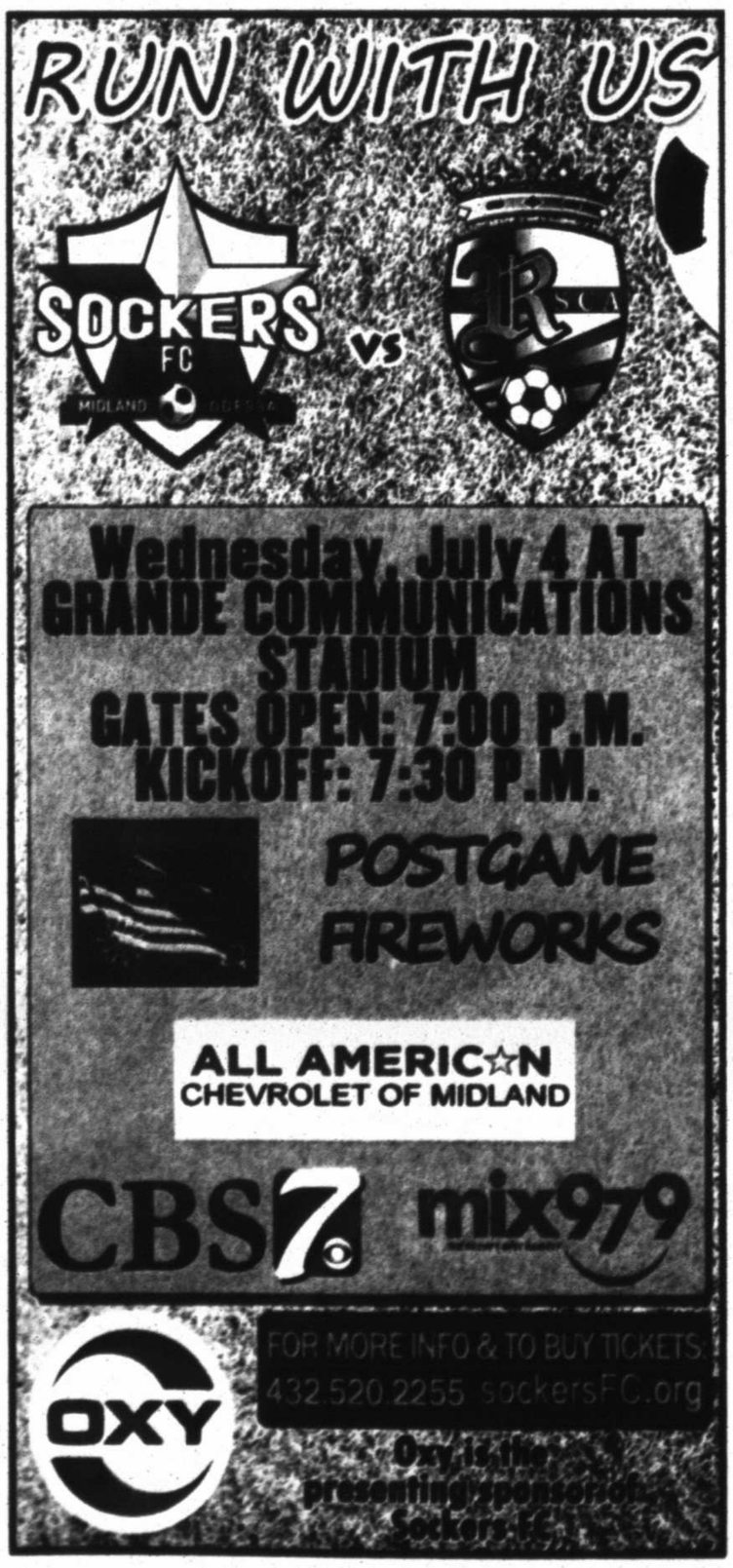
At Nizhny Novgorod
Croatia vs. Denmark, 1 p.m.

Monday, July 2
At Samara
Brazil vs. Mexico, 9 a.m.

At Rostov-on-Don
Belgium vs. Japan, 1 p.m.

Tuesday, July 3
At St. Petersburg
Sweden vs. Switzerland, 9 a.m.





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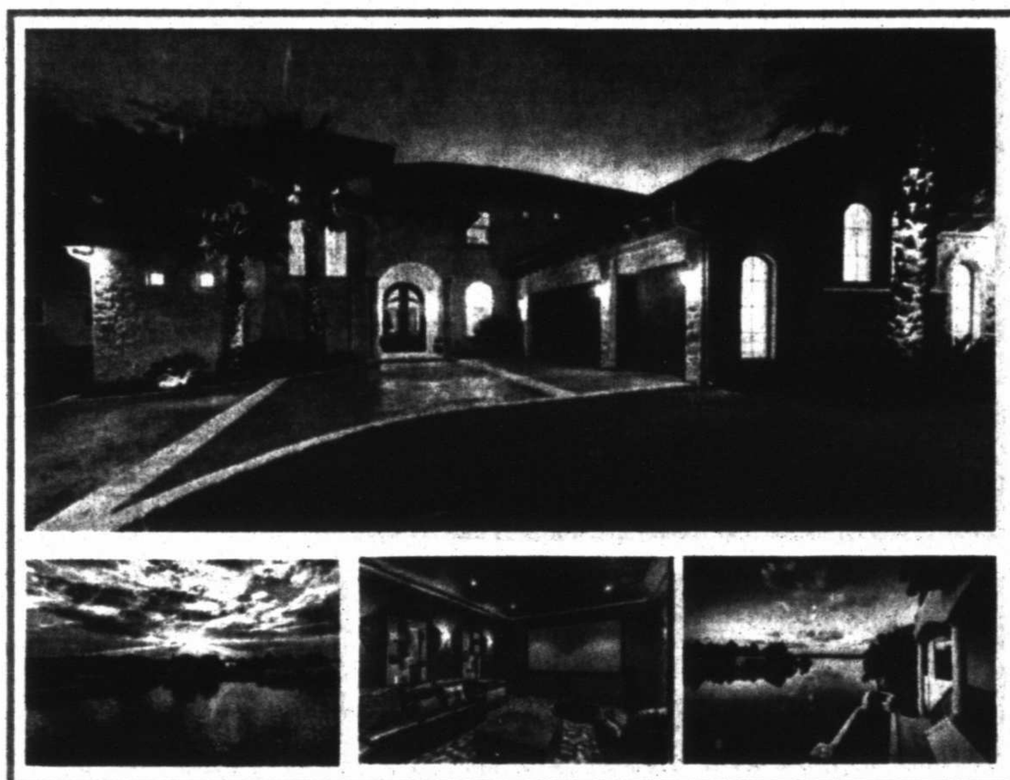

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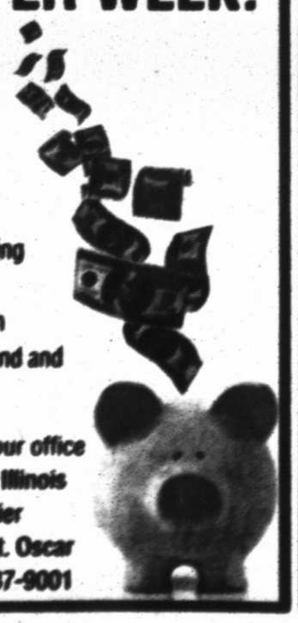

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General Design Technician

This position is for one or more experienced Engineering Assistant/Engineer Intern(s) at the Midland Development Corporation depending on business need and applicant's qualifications

Full-Time, Regular Employment $4,500.00 - $7,000.00 monthly
Overnight Travel Up to 10% of the time

Physical work location: Midland Development Corporation
200 North Loraine Street, Suite 610
Midland, Texas

General Description:

Performs engineering work. Design activity is supervised by a licensed professional engineer who has authority for final approval of all projects. Work requires contact with local governmental representatives, engineering contractors and private entities. Employees at this level perform work independently on assignments; however, all unusual issues are referred to the supervisor.

Essential Duties Includes:

Applies engineering principles, methods and techniques to a wide variety of transportation-related activities
Performs research and problem solving of engineering-related problems
Performs engineering-related duties in the field of transportation engineering
Performs engineering-related planning, design, data collection, evaluation and analysis activities
Performs engineering-related calculations and drafting/design work
Performs engineering analysis, to include travel demand, traffic operations, water distribution and waste water collection
Reviews engineering work for calculation errors and compliance with applicable federal and state laws and industry standards and guidelines
Actively prepares for professional engineering licensing/registration through appropriate training and exams and completion/maintenance of required documentation
Assists a Project Manager oversee consultants performing advanced and complex engineering work
Assists with reviews and processing of project design plans developed by consulting engineers
Assists with monitoring contract performance, evaluating contract deliverables, reviewing billing documentation, monitoring the consultant's compliance with the terms of the contract, and preparation of written evaluation of the consultant's performance
Assists with negotiation of fees and budgets, development and negotiation of scopes of work, negotiation of contract work schedules, and negotiation of other contract agreements
Uses automated roadway/structural/hydraulic design programs and computer-assisted design/engineering systems
Use of personal computers and applicable programs, applications and systems
Drives to project sites to collect engineering data and attend meetings for project coordinations
Performs other job responsibilities as assigned

Required Competencies Include:

Civil / Transportation design engineering principles, practices and methods and the application of engineering theory
Civil engineering terminology and fundamentals
Working knowledge of design / drafting procedures, to include skill in the use of Open Roads Designer and / or AutoCAD Civil 3D
Plan review methods, processes and procedures
The Texas Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices
Highway/Utility construction and maintenance
Applicable governmental laws, rules and regulations specific to area of responsibility for safeguarding information
Collecting, sorting and compiling data
Applying engineering principles, practices, and methods in job responsibilities
Analyzing and organizing technical data
Maintaining a safe working relationship
Communicate effectively
Research and analyses methodologies

Minimum Education Required:

Bachelor's Degree in accordance with one of the Other Minimum Requirements outlined below

Minimum Work Experience Required:

Three (3) years engineering related experience applicable to gaining licensure as an engineer by the Texas Board of Professional Engineers
(Experience can be satisfied by fulltime or prorated part-time equivalent)
No Supervisory Experience Required
Master's degree in engineering or a Master of engineering degree from an institution that offers a Bachelor of Science degree in the same discipline which has been accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board of Engineering and Technology (EAC/ABET) may substitute for a Bachelor's degree and experience

The following Licenses and/or Certifications are required for this job:

Valid Driver's License
Engineer-In-Training (EIT) Certified

Other Minimum Requirements:

Degree in engineering which has been accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (EAC/ABET), plus three (3) years engineering related experience applicable to gaining licensure as an engineer by the Texas Board of Professional Engineers
Degree in engineering technology which has been accredited by the Technology Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (TAC/ABET) plus seven (7) years engineering related experience applicable to gaining licensure as an engineer by the Texas Board of Professional Engineers
Degree in mathematical, physical or engineering science approved by the Texas Board of Professional Engineers plus seven (7) years engineering related experience applicable to gaining licensure as an engineer by the Texas Board of Professional Engineers
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Conditions of Employment:

May be required to work weekends and holidays
May be required to work hours other than 8 to 5
Required to wear personal protective equipment provided by employer and comply with all safety requirements
Must attend work regularly and observe approved work hours
External final male applicants who are 18-25 years of age will be required to furnish proof of registration or exemption from registration with the Selective Service System
If hired, employee must provide document(s) within three (3) days of hire date that establish identity and employment eligibility. A complete list of acceptable documents is on file with the local Texas Workforce Commission office or http://www.twc.state.tx.us/

Remarks:

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Applications:

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Senior Assistant Engineer

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Essential Duties Includes:

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Maintaining a safe working relationship
Communicate effectively
Research and analysis methodologies

Minimum Education Required:

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Minimum Work Experience Required:

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Senior Design Engineer

This position is for a Senior Design Engineer at the Midland Development Corporation depending on business need and applicant's qualifications

Full-Time, Regular Employment $6,500.00 - 10,500 monthly
Overnight Travel Up to 10% of the time

Physical work location: Midland Development Corporation
200 North Loraine Street, Suite 610
Midland, Texas

General Description:

Performs highly advanced and complex transportation engineering work in one or more functional areas such as planning, project development, detailed design and transportation/traffic operations. Ensures compliance with applicable federal and state laws, policies, procedures, standards and guidelines. Work requires contact with governmental officials and private entities. Employees at this level are virtually self-supervising and assume direct accountability for the work product.

Essential Duties Include:

Coordinates design work among TxDOT entities, City entities, consultants and contractors
Creates realistic and achievable schedule baselines for advanced and highly complex projects
Analyzes schedule trends, determines risks, and recommends options to management for corrective action for highly complex projects
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Develops and reviews engineering related documents, correspondence, reports and remediation plans
Interprets laws, rules, and regulations pertaining to professional services contracting to ensure compliance with City and governmental regulations
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Oversees data collection and performs analyses, forecasts and plan development
Performs highly advanced and complex planning work such as plan review, calculations and transportation planning studies
Prepares design schematics and public involvement presentations
Prepares and coordinates design schematics and construction Plans, Specifications & Estimates (P S &E)
Serves as a Project Manager overseeing consultants performing advanced and complex engineering work
Reviews and processes project design plans developed by consulting engineers
Monitors contract performance, evaluates contract deliverables, reviews billing documentation, monitors the consultant's compliance with the terms of the contract, and prepares and delivers a written evaluation of the consultant's performance
Negotiates fees and budgets, develops and negotiates scopes of work, negotiates contract work schedules, and negotiates other contract agreements
Drives to project sites to collect engineering data and participate in meetings for project coordinations
Performs other duties as assigned

Required Competencies Include:

Communicate effectively
Exercises logic and reasoning to define problems, establish facts and draw valid conclusions, makes decisions that support business objectives and goals
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Applicable engineering workstations and applications to support efficient planning and design activities
Design and plan preparation methods and requirements for traditional and innovative projects
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Planning, coordinating and handling multiple projects within area of responsibility to meet short and long-term deadlines

Uses automated roadway/structural/hydraulic design programs and computer-assisted design/engineering systems

Advanced and specialized design / drafting procedures, to include skill in the use of Open Roads Designer and / or AutoCAD Civil 3D

Use of personal computers and applicable programs, applications and systems
Proficient skill in maintaining a safe working environment

Minimum Education Required:

Bachelor's Degree in an Engineering related discipline

Minimum Work Experience Required:

8 years in Civil or Transportation engineering
(Experience can be satisfied by fulltime or prorated part-time equivalent)
No Supervisory Experience Required
Related graduate level education may be substituted for experience on a year per year basis

The following Licenses and/or Certifications are required for this job
Valid Driver License
Licensed Prof Engineer

Other Minimum Requirements:

Professional engineers licensed in another state, but not currently licensed in the State of Texas, must (1) meet the license requirements of the State of Texas Engineering Practices Act, (2) obtain a professional engineering license from the Texas Board Of Professional Engineers within six (6) months of the date of hire, and (3) sign an agreement to that effect as a condition of employment

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Systems Administrator - Midland location:
Design, implement, troubleshoot, analyze and maintain the IT Infrastructure our customer environments; including network connectivity and utilization, Windows server administration, virtualization, performance tuning, backup and restore. Identifies, researches, and resolves technical problems. Familiar with a variety of the field's concepts, practices, and procedures. Relies on training, experience, and judgment to plan and budget time to accomplish goals. Performs a variety of complicated tasks, and provide support for escalated trouble tickets.

Candidates should be team players with excellent communication skills and have the ability to manage assignments independently. The ideal candidate will have a nurturing personality and the desire to help in the development and mentoring of level 1 technicians.

Systems Administrator Responsibilities:
- Create and maintain comprehensive documentation as it relates to server and network topology, equipment, and configuration(s).
- Create project plans, design, and implement solutions.
- Level 2 and Level 3 Support for problems identified with systems and network. Will act as an escalation for Level 1 and Level 2 Managed Services support technicians.
- Create, request, and present technical specifications and requirements for purchasing of new servers and networking equipment via quote procedure.
- Participate in after-hours upgrades, troubleshooting, and/or on-call availability as needed.
- Standard system administration duties including server install, System/Application install and patch management, Windows problem determination and escalation, log analysis, etc.
- Configure, test, and maintain LAN equipment and services, including switches, routers, firewalls, and VPN.
- Identify, diagnose, and resolve network problems including network connectivity, traffic utilization, etc. using available network tools in a timely fashion.
- Provide Infrastructure services in all areas needed: storage networking, Operating System, network security, directory services, server virtualization using system backup and restore, system and network monitoring, application installation and configuration.
- Assist with monthly reports and recommendations for Managed Services Clients.
- Utilize superior customer service skills.
- Stay current with system information, changes, and updates.

Requirements:
- 5 -7 years of prior IT experience.
- Prior experience working for a service provider is a plus.
- Experience working with Windows Desktop XP-10, Windows Server 2003 - 2012, VMware, SBS Server, Storage Technologies.
- Hands on experience with Wired and Wireless networking, PC and server virtualization software, virus protection, backup systems.
- Microsoft certifications preferred.
- MCSA, VCP & CCNA certifications are preferred.

Skills:
- Effectively communicate by phone or in person.
- Strong written communication skills.
- Establish successful outcomes in handling difficult situations and work with various customers and management levels.
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- Ability to work in a high-performance culture.
- Manage multiple priorities and follow through on projects to completion.
- Works effectively both as a team member and independently to resolve problems.
- Effectively utilizes tools to resolve issues and escalates appropriately.
- Network configuration, monitoring, and troubleshooting experience are a must.
- Proven background in providing great customer service.
- Ability to work independently, prioritizes existing projects, and proactively determine areas requiring additional attention, monitoring, or maintenance.
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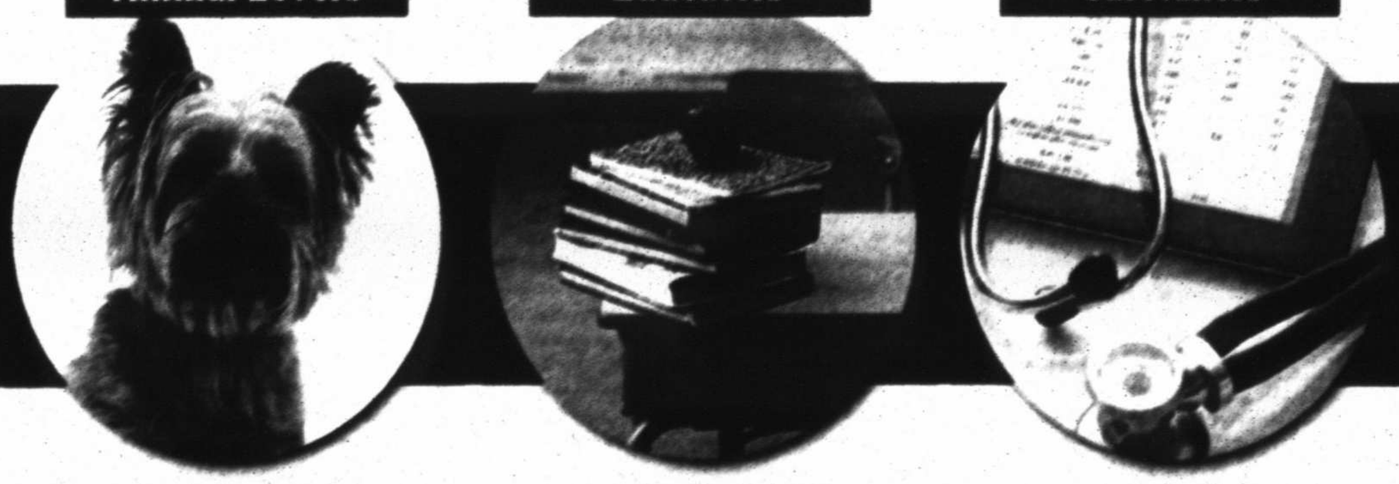

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priced @ $435,000

Ashingdon Homes

5109 Binney Cove
3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths,
3 car garage,
priced @ $499,500

When everything feels like an uphill struggle, Just think of the view from the top.

RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS/HOME SITES/ACREAGE

RESIDENTIAL

5804 Anetta Dr	4 Bdrm/2 Ba	U/C
4514 Spence Dr	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
6508 Waurika	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
1609 Garfield Street	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/ 1 Car Garage	U/C
5317 Half Moon Circle	4 Bdrm/ 3 Ba/ 3 Car Garage	U/C
2511 Colonial Oaks Court	4 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/4 Car Garage	$789,900
6108 Dunbarton Oaks Blvd	4 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$898,500

NEW CONSTRUCTION

4409 San Carlos	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
1201 Rhett Dr	Midland Gallery Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
1200 Stonefield	Loper Construction/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
1705 Conner Dr	Ham Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
5301 Torrey Pete Dr	Valencia Homes/4 Bd/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
5105 Binney Cove	Ashingdon Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5107 Binney Cove	Ashingdon Homes/3 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
5207 Brown Heart	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
4401 Cape Verde Ct	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5109 Binney Cove	Ashingdon Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5305 George Yard Ct	Ashingdon Homes/3 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$845,000
5400 Stonebridge Dr	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
7317 E. CR. RD. 112	Elgin Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$849,000
13212 E. Co. Rd. 115	Custom Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/ 3 Car Garage	U/C

SUBURBAN/ACREAGE

2204 N. Co. Rd. 1139	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Greenwood/Mobile Home	$99,000
2000 S. Co. Rd. 1089	6.700 Acres	$115,000
2363 Co. Rd. 2031	Mobile Home/ 3 Bdrm/ 2 Ba/ 1 Car Garage	U/C
2430 S.E. Co. Rd. 3891	Andrews/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Acres	$170,000
2113(A) S. Co. Rd. 1083	Duplex/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage	$255,000
2113(B) S. Co. Rd. 1083	Duplex/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car GArage	$255,000
7005 E. Co. Rd. 99	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/Greenwood	$329,900
7000 S. Co. Rd. 1105	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$344,900
12004 E. Goldenrod	Gardendale/14.1 Acres	$350,000
4705 E. Co. Rd. 140	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$399,000
3809 S. Co. Rd. 1085	5 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$434,900
3700 S. Co. Rd. 1104	3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/1 Carport	U/C
13117 E. Co. Rd. 110	4 Brdm/ 3.5 Ba/ 3 Car Garage	U/C

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

110 E. 20th Street	Odessa/3 Unit Strip	$995,000
3910 W. Co. Rd. 113	Approx 40.16 Acres	$995,000
302 S. Markenfield	11,000 Sq. Ft.	$750,000
3400 Thompson Dr.	8,012 Sq. Ft./2 Buildings	$1,600,000

OUT OF TOWN PROPERTIES

1401 HWY 176	Big Spring/20 Acres	$240,000
County Rd. 2240h	320 Acres	U/C

FEATURED PROPERTIES

6108 Dunbarton Oaks Blvd.
4 bedrooms, 4.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $898,500

7000 S. Co. Rd. 1105
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 car garage, priced @ $344,900

7317 E. Co. Rd. 112
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $849,000

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5724 Grassland ..... OPEN TODAY 2:30-4:30PM

4+ BEDROOMS

1601 E Highland Dr -Amazing location! Home & barn sit on 14.87 AC (3 tracts)! Can be subdivided- to be sold as 1 pkg. 4 bed/3.5 bath/2 dining/2 car home- Built 1980's/ Updated top-to-bottom/ New Roof coming 2019!! $2,700,000

7401 Briarwood Ave -Restoration farm & ranch house boutique- Spacious home will be(2.5 baths-pool bath/5 dining/7 sleeping)apartment & pool/ Adjoining property w/3 apartments & workout room/ 15.15 acres w/ prime location w/some stable & stalls- pipe fencing & water well/ $1,650,000

4500 Idland Dr -Majestic estate on Idland! (1.482 ac.) on 9th tee box in GTR/ 6 or 7 bed/4 full+2 1/2 baths/ (in house)- 3 or 4 living/huge 4 car gar/ Dazzling pool w/ pool house w/bath, brick & iron fencing & landscaped grounds w/50+ trees/ $1,700,000

401 Sir Barton Pkwy -Stunning custom- By Woodcraft- to be completed 5/19/ 4-7 bed/4-5 living/2 dining/5.5 bath+ guesthouse w/ kitchen & bath/ Top appliances, all hardwood floors, upstairs game room & plumbed for pool/water well/ $1,550,000

1500 Clevenger Rd -Fabulous contemporary 6 bed/5.5 bath/4 living, great room, game/media room- formal, study/2 dining area/4 car gar-Fantastic horse barn/stalls & dazzling pool on 2.84 acres w/Ranch Theater/ Outdoor kitchen/ $1,375,000

4502 Idland Dr -Beautiful remodeled estate w/amazing water views/ 5 bed/4.5 bath/3 living/2 dining/3 garage w/dazzling pool & stone pillar/ Gorgeous water views, floor to ceiling windows, spacious living areas inside & out, and landscaped grounds on huge lot (1.783)/ $1,350,000

2109 Devonne Ln -Dramatic one-of-a-kind 6 bed/6 bath+ 2 1/2 bath/2 dining/9 living, solarium, theater- formals, great room, game room- gym/2 kitchens/ Soaring ceilings- lovely marble flooring, theater wiequipment/ In-ground pool/ $999,000

2000 Tanker Bluff Trl -Spectacular 2018 home- 4 bed/3.5 bath/2 living, plus- study/2 dining & oversized 3 car garage/ Miles of ceramic tile flooring, 12 & 12ft ceilings & archways/ Gourmet kitchen- custom cabinetry & custom light fixtures throughout/ $799,900

10210 SCR 1210 -Fantastic unique property! 1.2 acres w/ runway, hangar, office & living accomodations/ 50x75 hangar w/ retractable door/ 2-story w/ 5 bedrooms/5 full baths/3 living/3 dining/2 car garage w/ workshop/ $999,900

1601 Tanker Bluff Trl -Fantastic spectacular Anderson Construction 4 bed/3.5 bath/ living/ dining/3 car oversized garage w/19 foot+ fully vaulted ceilings, RV & shared extra large/ Gourmet kitchen- granite throughout, tile "hardwood" flooring except in bdrms & other & custom fireplaces/ $895,000

2104 San Jose Dr -Spectacular 4 bed/3.5 bath/gameroom/2 dining area/ home w/dazzling pool/ Updated gourmet kitchen w/granite countertops/ Landscaped grounds w/water well/ Zoned HVAC, Roof 2017/ $849,900

1710 E Sebastopol Dr -Absolutely fabulous! 5 yr old 3 bed/3 bath w/ 2 living, great room- media room- walnut room- study/2 car home w/landscaped backlot/ Gourmet kitchen- stainless appliances, custom cabinets & granite/ Antique kitchen- large backyard w/ extra tall brick fence/ $485,000

5724 Grassland Blvd -Fantastic 4 or 5 bed/3.5 bath/2 or 3 living, formal- study/2 dining/2 car garage home w/fabulously updated gourmet kitchen/ Soaring ceilings, walls of windows, plantation shutters, hardwood & tile flooring/ $449,900

602 Hopewell Rd -Cutie! Cutie! Cutie! 4 bed/2 bath/spacious living- great for entertaining/breakfast dining room w/2 car garage on landscaped lot/ 1 year old roof, 30yr/35 shingle built in 2016 & recently serviced water well/ $259,900

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

5310 Hay 2018 (Sir Lamb)-Fantastic 3 bed/3.5 bath/2 living/2 dining/4 car gar w/6 carport/ home on secluded 1A acres/ Guest house or barn + 600sqft shop/ 3 tanks for fishing, plenty of brush for hunting & plenty of room to graze livestock/ $550,000

1212 Ellen Joyce Way -Spectacular Lance Friday home/ 3 bed/2 bath/2 car garage home w/ large open living/kitchen, professional grade appliances, buyers still have time to pick finishes/ Completion date August 2018/ $429,000

1215 Ellen Joyce Way - Spectacular Lance Friday new build/ 3 bed/2 bath/1 living/2 dining/2 garage home/ Large open living/kitchen area, professional grade appliances, buyers still have time to pick finishes/ $429,000

5203 Green Tree Blvd -Wow! What a find on 49 west/ tuesday in Green Tree Country Club- spectacular view! 3 bedroom/3 bath/2 living area (den-large upstairs game room)/ 4th bath has maintenance stucco townhome/ $399,900

2302 Whitney Dr -Charming & well kept home w/inviting Mediterranean exterior/ 3 bed/2.5 bath/2 living (great room-game room)/2 dining/2 car garage/ Huge game room, plantation shutters & great storage/ Lushly landscaped grounds w/mature trees/ $399,900

122 W Ramon -Adorable & totally updated 3 bed/2 bath/2 living/2 dining home on corner lot with zero scape yard/ New exterior/interior paint, updated kitchen w/granite & stainless appliances, tile flooring thru-out & light fixtures/ $329,900

4023 W Spring Meadow Ln -Priced 3 bed/2 bath/2 living w/ 2 dining/2 car garage home w/Shadow Pond house update, "hardwood" tile flooring thru-out, paint, table updated w/granite, fixtures & landscape are/ shower/ 2 fireplaces & 2 patios (front & back)/ $314,900

1007 Commerce Dr -Fantastic 3 bedroom/2 bath/2 living area/2 car garage home in "Old Midland"/ Features area w/recently renovated guest house w/bath, approx 300sqft w/bamboo/ vinyl/ Exterior paint (June, 2018)/ $299,900

4103 S County Rd 1121 -Remarkable find on Ridge Heights on 2.88 acres/ 3 spacious bdrm/2 bath/2 giant living areas (great room-game room)/ Unbelievable updates include "hardwood" tile flooring, paint, decorative rock & stone accents/ $284,900

1004 W Lochinvar Ave -Charming "Old Midland" home has 3 bedrooms/2 bath/2 dining area/very spacious living areas/2 car garage 1035sqft (per appraisal) on large lot/ Light & bright & cheerful/ $179,900

500 Colfax St (Colemanite Court) 2 bed/2 bath/1 garage home in a fabulous location in Colemanite. TIP! Cul-de-sac lot/ home w/ lg living & dining area w/ wonderful kitchen/ Large shaded/ fenced backyard- perfect for play/ $99,900

1015 W Custer (Colemanite) 2 bed/1 full bath and 1 three quarter bath/2 living/2 dining/new car-carport/ home on large lot in Colemanite. TIP! Huge back & front yards w/ lots of trees for shade, covered patio & chain-link fenced yard/ $89,900

COMMERCIAL, LAND AND LOTS

4000 CR 250, Colemanite, TX 79754(+/-) acres of beautiful country/ Native grass, 2 stock ponds & 40 productive/ 14x80 Morgan Bldg/ 1 half bath/ water/ HVAC, septic & satellite/ Storage Bldg/ workers rig, tools, storage & more/ $350,000

1410 Fulgor/ 7.9 Acres +/- 540 south exposure (just north on Big Spring across from midland country club)/ $329,000

1702 S Commercial Dr (Colemanite)/ Fantastic commercial building multi-purpose/ Over 3,150sqft- 4 bedroom space & rooms or huge corner landscaped lot w/ large gravel parking lot/ 3 driving areas/2 baths & bright front entry/ $149,000

Tanker Bluff Estates, Ector - Brand new subdivision- approx. 3-5 acre lots, gas available, Waterlogic/sewer can all be utilized at buyer's expense, Oncor/Electric company, Builder specific- Robert Anderson, 4 Bedroom floor home/ 2,500 square ft. ..... $310,000 - $350,000

1001 Bauer Way, Gaylor Tx 79339 - 6 Acres perfect for industrial use located on industrial park southeast of town/ Approximately 1 acre yard fenced with caliche pad, Includes a metal office building 200 sq ft and small storage building/ $85,000

Tanker Bluff Estates/ for grazing cattle on entire will utilize city of midland water as their 5 acre lots of Bluffs/ Water supply extended to all lots/ Electric also available. Water will require extension and are valued at standard 3/4 inch separate Shepherd dicks. Sanitary utilities not a option at this time/ 2,500 sq ft. $60,000

710 W Custer St -Great location on the north side of Colemanite/ 1,271sqft brick building can be used for a variety of purposes & businesses/ Large cooler, two storage rooms, an office & bath/ Fabulous visibility/ $99,000

Custer Estates -Fabulous subdivision conveniently located on paved/ city water available/ 5 acre lots/ 75 feet of road frontage/ Water will supply options are available to allow plenty of H2O to every site/ Lots 2000 sq ft+ from/ Utilities underground by developer/ $59,900

UNDER CONTRACTS & SOLDS!

2000 Glass	UNDER CONTRACT!
2404 Brandy Hill Rd	UNDER CONTRACT!
2000 Orlando Dr	UNDER CONTRACT!
2000 Diamond Dr	UNDER CONTRACT!
400 Baker Ryan Dr	UNDER CONTRACT!
0 Oak Leaf Park	UNDER CONTRACT!
4000 Grassland	UNDER CONTRACT!
4000 Tealwood	UNDER CONTRACT!
1100 Castle Rock Ct	UNDER CONTRACT!
5000 Ashwood	UNDER CONTRACT!
1001 W Missouri Ave	UNDER CONTRACT!
2007 Caldera	UNDER CONTRACT!
4311 Glass Rd	UNDER CONTRACT!
1311 Cuthbert	UNDER CONTRACT!
1401 Lantana Ct.	UNDER CONTRACT!
1002 Glenwood Dr	UNDER CONTRACT!
2102 San Saba Dr	UNDER CONTRACT!
5102 Tealwood Ter	UNDER CONTRACT!
7010 Circle Grove Rd	UNDER CONTRACT!
4103 CR 1121	UNDER CONTRACT!
913 Shell Ave	UNDER CONTRACT!
2004 Anetta Dr	UNDER CONTRACT!
2000 Hereford Blvd	UNDER CONTRACT!
2101 CR 1139	UNDER CONTRACT!
1002 Glenwood	UNDER CONTRACT!
4002 Gardner Dr	UNDER CONTRACT!
2407 Lincolnshire Ln	UNDER CONTRACT!
1210 Briarcliff Ln	UNDER CONTRACT!
1400 Country Club	SOLD!
2502 Sheffield	SOLD!
0 Old Castle	SOLD!
4204 Ellis Ridge Ln	SOLD!
1200 Campbell Ann Dr	SOLD!
1201 Dalton Dr	SOLD!
1502 W Cheatham Dr	SOLD!
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PUBLIC NOTICE

The City of Midland Housing Authority is accepting proposals from the independent attorneys/firms for legal service for a two-year period with one year extension. Proposals must be received by Tuesday July 31, 2018 no later than 10:00 AM. Incomplete proposal will not be accepted.

Proposal packets can be picked up beginning July 2, 2018 at 700 W. Scharbauer Drive, Midland, Texas 79705. (432) 382-0011

Equal Housing Opportunity

Legal and Public Notices

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

PUBLIC HUNTING ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS AT O. H. IVIE RESERVOIR

Application for public hunting permits on the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Wildlife Management Areas will be accepted ***by mail only*** beginning July 15, 2018 and ending August 15, 2018, at the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Field Office.

Hunting Permits will be limited, and requests for information and application packets should be made by calling the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) at 432-267-6341, or by writing to:

CRMWD
ATTN: Public Hunting
P.O. Box 869
Big Spring, Texas 79721
www.crmwd.org/naturalresources

A public drawing for the WMA Public Hunting Permits for the 2018 Hunting Season will be held at 1:00 p.m. on August 24, 2018, at the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Field Office, located near the north end of the dam. All applicants are welcome to attend the drawing, if they desire.

Legal and Public Notices

BID #18001853

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS

The City of Midland, Texas is soliciting bids for the furnishing of materials and labor for the Tradewinds Boulevard Paving Project together with other miscellaneous and appurtenant work.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held in the basement conference room of City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas at 3:00 p.m. local time on July 12, 2018.

The contract may be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value to the municipality as referred to in Section 252.043(b) of the Texas Local Government Code.

Information for bidders, proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file for viewing in the office of the Purchasing Manager, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas. The contract documents may be purchased at the office of the Purchasing Manager, second floor, 300 North Loraine Street, Midland, Texas for a non-refundable purchase price of $50.00 per set.

Bids will be received at the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Midland, Texas, until 2:00 PM local time on the 20th day of July, 2018. Bids will be opened and read aloud at that time.

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE OF ACTION
CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR PALM BEACH COUNTY
CIVIL ACTION NO. 502017DR012162-XXXXSB
IN RE: Matter of Termination of Parental Rights Joonper Skye Lozano
By her guardian, Cheryl Simpson

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

TO: Thomas Lozano
Address Unknown
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a petition for Termination of Parental Rights has been filed against you and you are required to serve a Copy of your written defenses if any to it on **LAWRENCE A. CAPLAN**, Attorney for Cheryl Simpson whose address is 1375 Gateway Blvd., Boynton Beach, FL 33426 and file the original with the Clerk of this above styled court on or before July 2nd 2018, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief prayed for in the complaint or petition.

Thomas Lozano- Description: Height- 5'10", Weight- 160, Hair- Black, Eyes- Brown
Joonper Lozano (Minor)- Date of Birth: 12/29/2008
Place of Birth: Odessa, TX

WITNESS my hand and the seal of said Court at West Palm Beach, Florida on this 21st day of May, 2018.

Adina Soper
Deputy Clerk, Circuit Court
Palm Beach County, Florida
LAWRENCE A. CAPLAN, P.A.
1375 Gateway Blvd
Boynton Beach, FL 33426
(561) 988-6909

Legal and Public Notices

CITATION BY PUBLICATION - DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP

The State of Texas § AUSTIN RAMSEY, Applicant's Attorney
County of Midland § 200 NORTH GARFIELD, STE 700
§ MIDLAND, TX 79701

To all persons interested in the estate of

DAVID A. HITCHCOCK, Deceased
Cause No. P19514
In COUNTY COURT, Midland County, Texas

The alleged heir(s) at law in the above-numbered and entitled estate filed an Application to Determine Heirship in this estate on 6/25/2018, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of DAVID A. HITCHCOCK, Deceased, and their respective shares and interests in such estate.

The court may act on this application at any call of the docket on or after 10:00 a.m. 7/30/2018, which is the first Monday next after the expiration of 10 days from the date of posting this citation, at the Midland County Courthouse, 500 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas 79701.

All persons interested in this case are cited to appear before this Honorable Court by filing a written contest or answer to this Application should they desire to do so. To ensure its consideration, you or your attorney must file any objection, intervention, or response in writing with the County Clerk of Midland County, Texas on or before the above-noted date and time.

Given under my hand and seal of the COUNTY COURT of Midland County, Texas at the office of the Midland County Clerk in Midland, Texas on June 28th 2018.

Alison Haley
County Clerk, Midland County, Texas
Box 1350, Midland, Texas 79702

By SHON BRENT, Deputy

General Announcement

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Legal and Public Notices

Notice is hereby given to Mr. Jason Smith and Mrs. Mary Smith, whose place of residence is unknown, from SLW & Associates that petition to file a small claims case will be presented to the court within thirty (30) days after service by publication of this Notice.

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CHEVROLET 2005 Silverado, 4 dr, good condition, 120k miles, $8,700. 432-689-0409 or 432-230-2100. 3212 Lockheed ST.

Legal and Public Notices

Pharr & Company will be receiving bids for the **A New Maintenance Office and Warehouse for Stanton ISD** on **Friday, July 6th @ 2:00pm.** Bids can be faxed to (806) 763-5843, or emailed to bids@pharrco.com. Plans will be available for a $100 refundable deposit or contact Jimmy Pharr for electronic copies (806) 763-5263.

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF JOHN MARK COOPER, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that on June 28, 2018, Letters of Administration were issued to Chassity L. Cooper as Independent Administrator in proceedings in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, in Probate, styled "In the Matter of the Estate of John Mark Cooper, Deceased," being No. P 19495 in that Court, and which proceedings are still pending. All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present the same to Chassity L. Cooper, c/o A.M. Nunley III, P.O. Box 511, Midland, TX 79702, within the time prescribed by law.

DATED: June 28, 2018

Chassity L. Cooper,
Independent Administrator of the Estate of
John Mark Cooper, Deceased

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4WD and SUV

2012 CHEVY TAHOE Texas Edition. Great Condition, 88,400 (mostly highway miles). New Audio, WeatherTech floor mats and shade. $19,000. Call 512-618-8824 and ask for Lawrence.

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The Bottom Line

As household income, education levels and job responsibility increases, so does readership.

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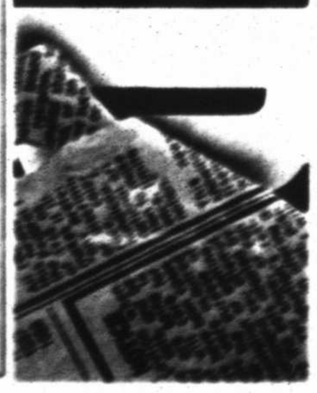
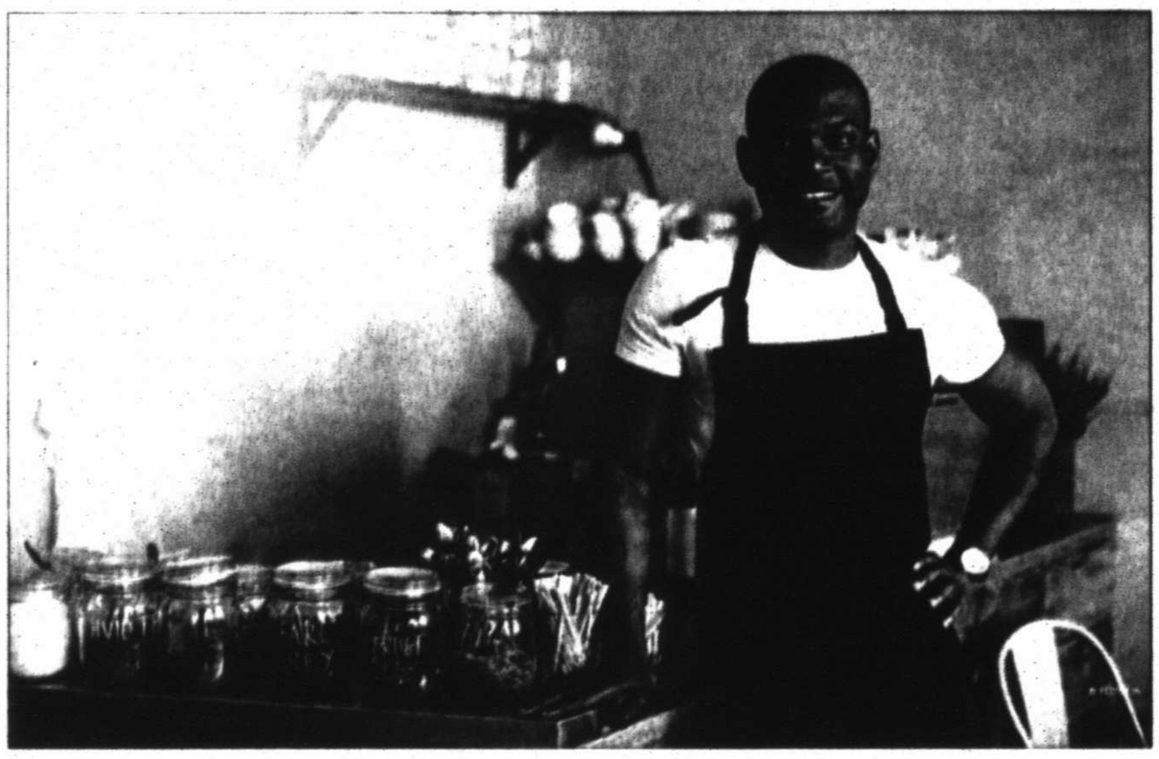


DIVERSITY IN THE WORKPLACE | ENTREPRENEURS

Business Ownership

Diversity in business ownership is an area of great focus for entrepreneurs and investors in today's economy. Business-minded professionals are stepping out of their comfort zones to launch new enterprises, no matter their color, cultural background or sexual orientation — and the world's economy is all the better for it.



According to the National Association of Women Business Owners, women of color own 1.9 million companies that generate $165 billion in revenue annually and employ 1.2 million people. Latina-owned businesses have generated $55.7 billion since 2002.

These are substantial numbers that only figure to grow as the United States becomes more diverse as a whole.

CHALLENGES & PROGRESS

Gallup and Wells Fargo recently partnered on a report analyzing the experiences of small-business owners by race, ethnicity, gender, veteran status and sexual orientation. The study focused on business owners' motivations to start their own companies as well as the challenges they have faced along the way.

Here are some of the key findings as reported by Gallup, particularly related to the area of how diverse small business owners are choosing to fund their businesses:

• Owners in diverse segments are more likely to use personal credit cards to fund their business than the general population of owners.

• African-American small-business owners report lower use of business credit and greater personal credit challenges than the general population of owners and other diverse segments.

• Women small-business owners tend to be more highly educated than male owners, though their businesses are typically smaller in terms of annual revenue.

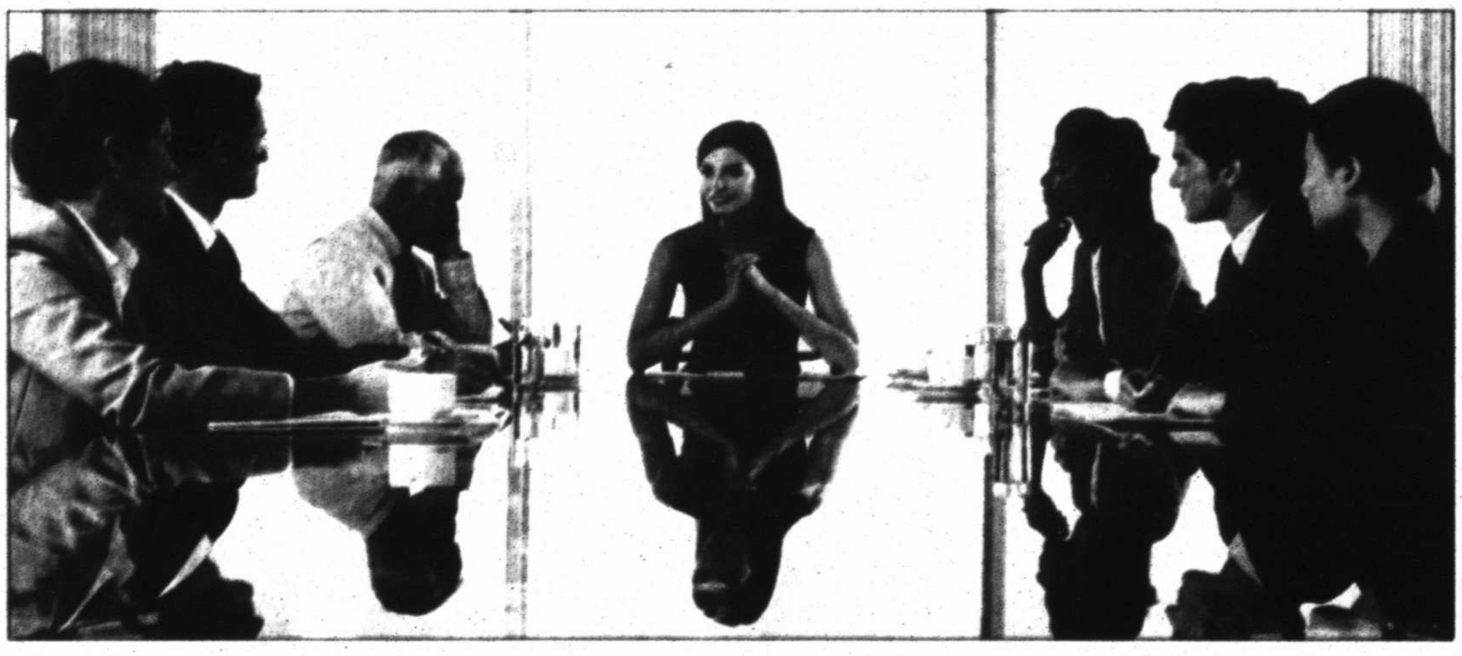
• Women small-business owners tend to be more credit averse (less likely to use credit or loans) than male owners.

• Small-business owners who identify themselves in the survey as LGBT are younger than the overall population of small-business owners.

• LGBT small-business owners are more likely to use credit cards, especially personal credit cards, to fund their business than to use loans or lines of credit.

• The majority of veteran small-business owners are at least 55 years of age. Veteran small-business owners are more likely than small-business owners in general to rely on personal credit cards and personal lines of credit to fund their business.

DIVERSITY IN THE WORKPLACE | LEADERSHIP



In the Boardroom

The boardrooms of American businesses are becoming more diverse, but much work is left to do in order to leverage our population's full potential.

Currently people of color and women only represent about 14.5 percent and 18 percent, respectively, of corporate boards among the senior management of Fortune 500 companies, according to the Center for American Progress.

Looking specifically at Fortune 500 CEOs, the association also found the following statistics:

• Only 21 (4.2 percent) are people of color; four are black (0.8 percent); nine are Asian (1.8 percent); and six are Latino (1.2 percent).

• Only 4 are female people of color, representing just 0.8 percent of all Fortune 500 CEOs.

• Women make up nearly half of the labor force today, but only 18 Fortune 500 CEOs (3.6 percent) are female.

BENEFITS OF MORE DIVERSE BOARDS

A board of directors is a group of individuals that are elected as representatives of the stockholders to establish corporate management policies and to make decisions on major issues.

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TAKING STEPS TO ADD DIVERSITY

Experts urge board members and chairmen to develop frameworks for identifying diverse candidates. This means urging nominating committees to consider women and minority candidates for each open board seat.

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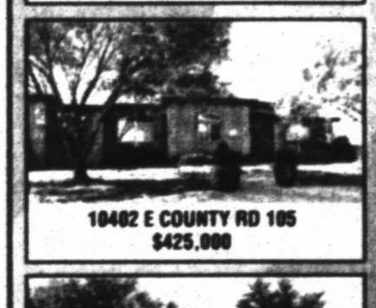
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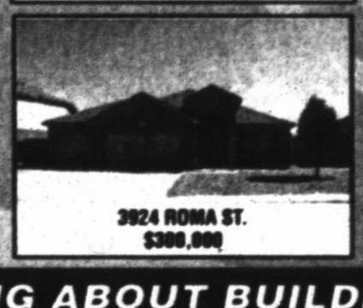
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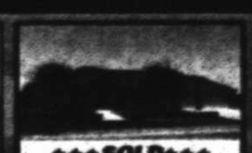
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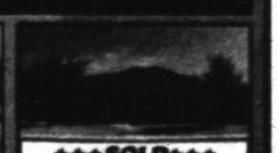
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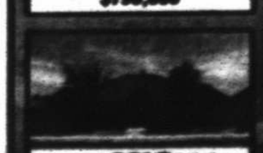
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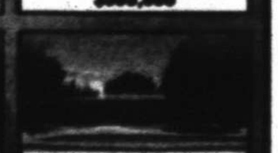
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4 Steps to a Tidier Kitchen

Whether you're cleaning your home in anticipation of selling, or just looking to live in a streamlined space, a well-organized kitchen can be the pinnacle of a fully functioning home, appealing to potential buyers and everyone living inside. If you're looking to make better use of your kitchen – arguably the most-used room in the home – read the following tips.

Create a master plan - What is your dream plan for your kitchen? Figure out exactly what your ideal kitchen would look like. Is it cleaner? Tidier? Refinished? Are you looking to create an inviting home-style atmosphere or a gleaming space right out of a magazine? Knowing just what you're going for will make it more achievable overall.

Set goals - Create a six-month plan. If your master plan was to have more organized counter space, then try setting a goal to declutter and maintain tidiness for the next six months. Do you want to make sure your kitchen is as clean as can be? Delegate tasks to certain days (i.e., mop the floors on Mondays) to make your cleaning goals more attainable.

Break your plan down into tasks - Part of being well organized is setting time aside to actually do the organizing. If it helps, try marking tasks on your calendar. Is it time to dig through the junk drawer or find new homes for your miscellaneous pots and pans? Every person has a different style of organizing that works for them. Some people tidy up every day, while others dedicate one day a month to power through it all.

Be realistic about what will work for you, so you will be more likely to stick to your plan of attack. Whether you spend every Sunday sifting through the stack of mail that has collected on the counter or an hour a week tidying up drawers and cupboards, figuring out when and how much time you need to dedicate to kitchen maintenance can help. Also consider whether you will take these tasks on yourself or delegate to family members.

Keep a monthly check-up. At the end of every month, inventory your progress on your clean-kitchen goal. This will help keep you on track, and your kitchen spotless.

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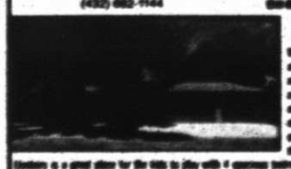

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2005 Sinclair ave - $1,775,000

6 Bedroom / 5 1/2 bath

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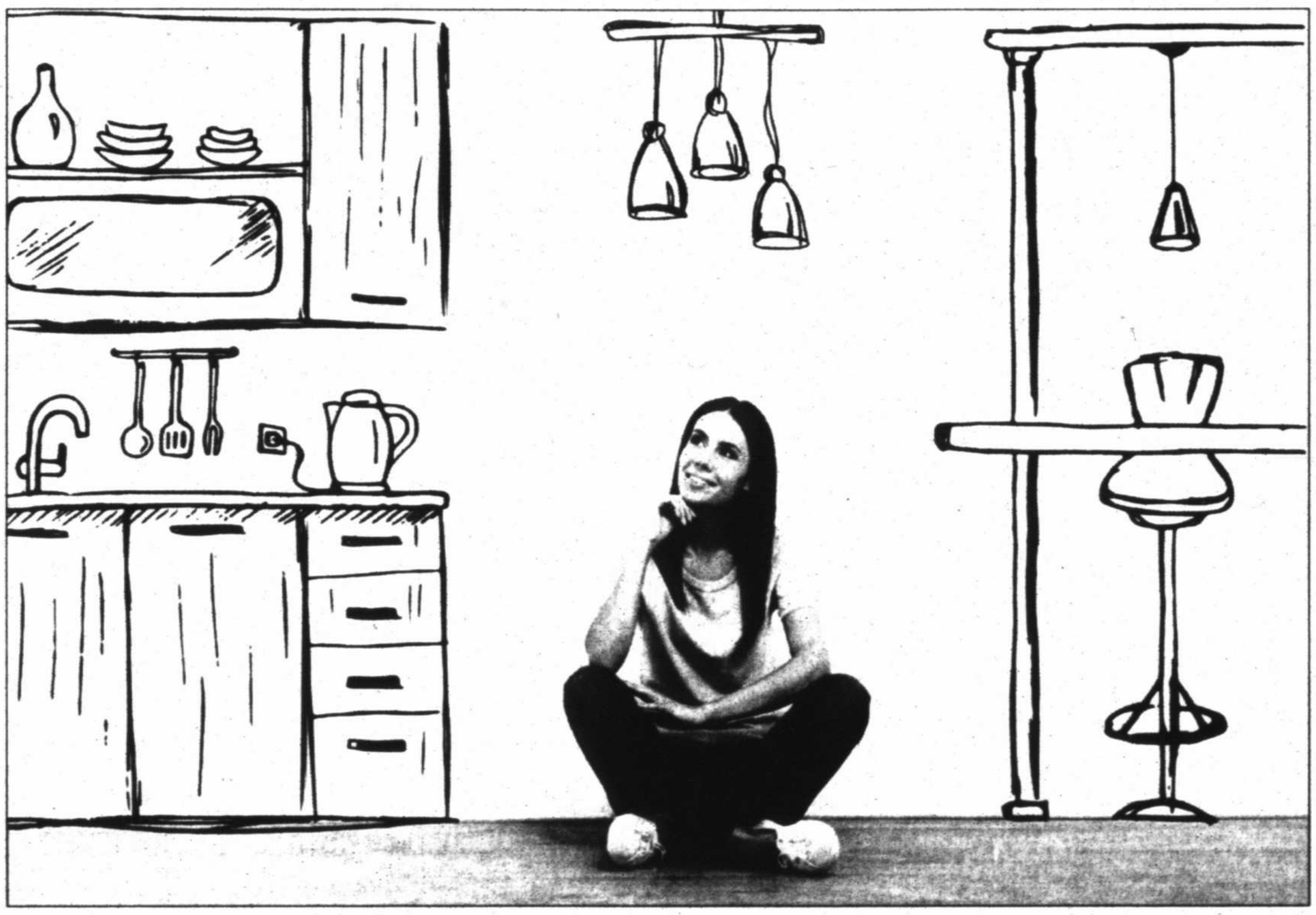

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Despite the challenges they face, many women — particularly single women — are buying homes today, surpassing single men in their share of the market.

More Women Buying Homes

By ANNA CHANG-YEN | Green Shoot Media

The path to homeownership may be rough for single women, but it is more tenable for women today. Single women are buying homes at an increasing rate, according to new research.

When the National Association of Realtors released its Profile of Homebuyers and Sellers in 2012, it found that single women accounted for 23 percent of first-time buyers and 16 percent of repeat buyers. Fifteen percent of first-timers and 8 percent of repeat homebuyers were men.

With home prices unusually low right for the past few years, women who may have found home ownership out of reach in the past are taking another look.

No one knows why women are buying more homes than men, but Walter Molony, a spokesman for Realtors, speculated that "it may be as simple as most guys don't get serious about housing until they meet the right woman."

MONEY MATTERS

Women still earn 79 cents for every dollar a man earns, making the obstacles to homeownership higher for women. To make matters worse, the American Association of University Women said in early 2016 that the pay gap has barely budged in a decade, and at the current rate, the gap won't close for more than 100 years.

Women should be cautious about their budget when shopping, urges Bankrate, and it's probably a good idea to shop below the amount of mortgage for which you qualify. Added to other housing expenses and household debt, a mortgage can be stifling for a single earner.

Some ways to cut costs include shopping around before deciding on a mortgage and asking the seller to make any necessary repairs before closing.

In 2011, the Social Science Research Network released a study showing women, on average, pay more than men for mortgages because they tend to find their lenders by recommendation, while men shop around.

Women who are veterans should get information about Veterans Administration loans, which require low down payments and closing costs, and Federal Housing Administration loans can keep costs down for women who are first-time buyers.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development helps low-income women to homeownership through its HOME Investment Partnerships program. This program provides grant funds to state and local governments to provide affordable housing.

A WORTHY INVESTMENT

Bankrate quotes Mariko Chang, a consultant studying the wealth gap for women for the Insight Center for Community Economic Development in Oakland, Calif., who said single women are more likely to work at jobs with lower retirement and other benefits. Housing is expected to be a good investment over the long run, she said, making it attractive.

Housing prices have nearly recovered from the highs of the mid- to late 2000s, when the Great Recession began, according to the Economist, so a home still represents a good financial choice for many people.

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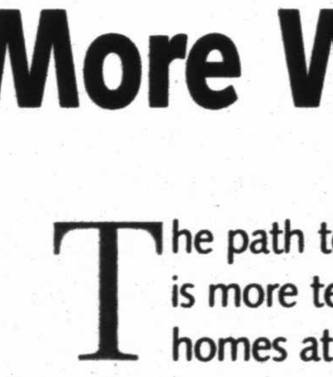

HOMEWISE GLOSSARY

Market Makeup

Here are some 2015 Profile of Home Buyers and Sellers:

- The typical buyer was 44 years old, and had a median household income of $86,100.
- 83 percent bought a detached single-family home.
- 32 percent of buyers are first-time buyers
- The typical home seller was 54 years old, with a median household income of $104,100.
- Home sellers cited selling their homes for a median of $40,000 more than they paid.

Prime rate: the interest rate which a financial institution charges its largest and best corporate customers, often used as a basis to price other loans.

SOURCE: Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions

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FEATURED LISTINGS

4425 Verde Glen Court	4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 2 living, pool	MLS #50014448	SOLD	$626,500
5313 Shady Bend Court	4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 3 living	MLS #50014303	SOLD	$549,500
7110 E. Co. Rd. 114	4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, New Const., Chaney Ranch	MLS #50010571	SOLD	$499,999
9708 FM 307	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 6.5 acres in Greenwood	MLS #50015827	NEW LISTING	$495,000
5611 Co. Rd. 1214	4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, New Const.	MLS #50011954	SOLD	$475,000
4600 Tanforan	4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 living, 3 car garage	MLS #50015831	NEW LISTING	$469,900
9708 FM 307	Residential or Commercial Land, Will subdivide into 1 Acre Tracts	MLS #50005743		$430,500
2 Winchester Court	4 bedrooms, 3 baths, townhouse	MLS #50014566	UNDER CONTRACT	$429,900
5511 S. Co. Rd. 1185	4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3+acres	MLS #50015811	NEW LISTING	$389,900
4801 Knights Place	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50015442	NEW LISTING	$349,900
3600 Oakmont	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage	MLS #50015137	UNDER CONTRACT	$262,000
5252 Lake Co. Rd. 256	3 Bed, 2 Bath, On Lake Colorado City	MLS #106038	OWNER CARRY	$89,400

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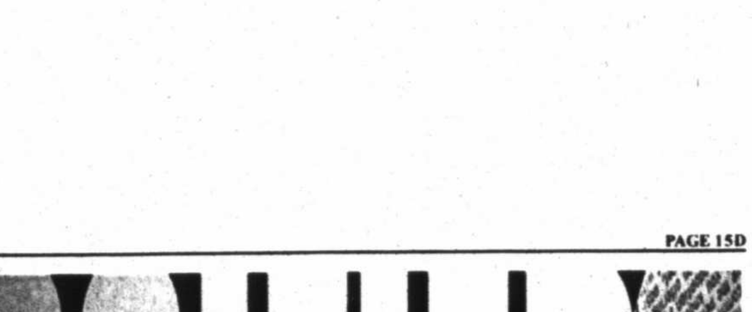
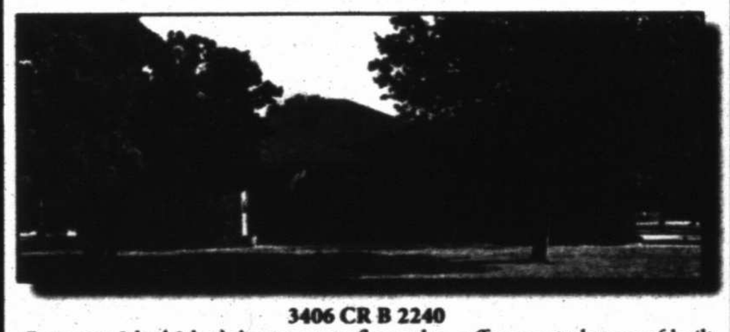


609 W 4TH, STANTON

Gorgeous custom built, 1 owner home, large sunken living room with soaring ceilings, custom molding, dream kitchen with tons of counter space and cabinets, butlers pantry,3 bed, 3 bath, corner lot that is beautifully landscaped with mature trees and shrubs.....3711 Sq ft **$430,000**

3425 CR B 2240, STANTON

Gorgeous 4 br, 3.5 Ba,4 car gar (insulated oversized doors) on 3.52 Acres. Open floor plan w travertine floors , gorgeous kitchen w/ stainless app & granite countertops. Master suite with jacuzzi tub, huge closet and gun safe, tornado room, exercise room,heated and cooled storage room in garage, 2 water wells, 30 amp rv hookup, mature landscaping, covered patio, pergola with hot tub.....4136 Sq ft **$759,000**



3406 CR B 2240

Gorgeous 3 bed,3 bath home, open floor plan, office or study,tons of built ins, sequestered master suite with large bathroom, beautiful stained concrete floors and tile floors, soaring ceilings, large shop with an air conditioned office and huge covered canopy, covered rv pad, beautifully landscaped all on 2.64 Acres,.....2590 Sq ft **$525,000**

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1005 SEABOARD - $695,000

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Tim Green is a real est

$300,000

4105 Springfield Ct

Gorgeous Trees that elegantly outline this home. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 bath, 2 living, 2 car garage! Pool will welcome it's first call! Granite throughout! Fresh paint! 2 fireplaces! Gorgeous kitchen with plenty of cabinets, granite, tile! Backyard has room for pets, shed, what else could you want? Entry!

$359,500

10 E. Hilliard Dr

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$75,000

2004 Sheffield Dr

Property is located on Midland Holman District and Washington. Property is District 4 Midland but has been surveyed as 2 separate 2 acre tracts! 2 acres with mobile home or new construction. Taxes are to be determined by MCAD after split survey has been surveyed.

$100,000

2615 E. Fort Worth

Rental Home. Just Improved! Home with 4 bed with granite counters. Large closet in the bedroom. Tile throughout with easy care hardwoods. High Ceilings. Lots of outdoor! Kitchen has custom cabinets, granite, stainless steel & dishwasher, granite counters. Did we mention? Entry!

$225,000

1310 College Ave

Mr Midland Owner! 4 Bedroom 2 Bath with Formal Dining Room and Living Room. Granite counter tops, Hardwood floors and more. Beautiful yard with country charm!

$315,000

4317 Castle Trail

Fabulous 4/3 w/ study Home That Will Amaze! 2 Story Home with a spiral staircase greeting you! Large Formal Living and Dining Room with soaring ceilings & Tall Windows! Large Kitchen with Breakfast Area and Separate Utility Room! Study or Bedroom on Main Floor! Large Master Bedroom and Bath with Double Vanities, Separate Tub and Shower, Walk-in Closet! Study or Bedroom on Main Floor! Large Master Bedroom and Bath with Double Vanities, Separate Tub and Shower, Walk-in Closet!

$315,000

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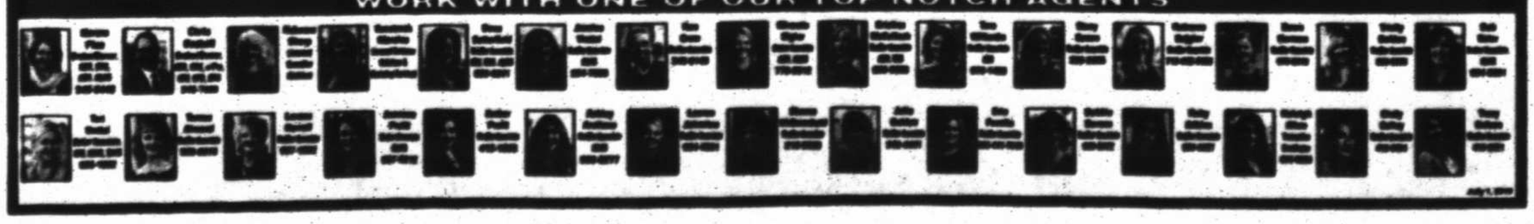

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HOMES IN MIDLAND COUNTY

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11601 W. CO. RD. 58...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50013559..... SALE PENDING
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12107 W. CO. RD. 52...Lisa Russell 741-5964.....MLS #108236.....$494,000
1107 W. CO. RD. 143....Josie Alvarez.....2.8 Acres/$429,900
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2205 E. CO. RD. 140....Donna Omar.....$325,000
1500 S. CO. RD. 1110, GREENWOOD....Darla Davis .....MLS #50011618.....$310,000
3700 W. CO. RD. 146....Danny Norwood 413-2764.....$300,000

3700 W. CO. RD. 146....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276.....MLS #50008046...10 Acres/$305,000
2205 E. CO. RD. 140....Donna Omar.....MLS #50013410.....$345,000
1915 S. CO. RD. 1005, GREENWOOD....Michelle Leskar 230-3633 MLS #50012997.....$299,500
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4007 S. CO. RD. 1177....Darla Davis 260-8077.....MLS #50005740.....$249,900
10601 E. CO. RD. 104, GREENWOOD....Michelle Leskar 230-3633..... SALE PENDING
4010 N. CO. RD. 1270....Kay Bivens 934-5995.....MLS #50012678.....$199,900
5000 S. CO. RD. 1126....Andrea Snell.....MLS #50014055..... SALE PENDING
8001 E. CO. RD. 85....Stephanie Masterson.....MLS #50013802..... SALE PENDING

HOMES OUTSIDE OF MIDLAND COUNTY

16 LA PAZ CIRCLE, ODESSA....Reannah Glover.....MLS #50015558.....$5,000,000
14000 505 R., BROWNWOOD, TX....Donna Omar 349-1456.....MLS #50008868.....$900,500
CO. RD. 240A, COMANCHE TX....Melody Carrol.....MLS #50011044.....196.301 Acres/$750,000
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9700 FM 307, GREENWOOD....Sandy J Hanson 638-3819.....MLS #50015627.....$495,000
5011 CO. RD. 1214....Sandy J Hanson 638-3819.....MLS #50011954.....$475,000
4236 CANDY LANE, ODESSA....Janice Murrell 349-7242.....MLS #109176..... SALE PENDING
6919 STONEHENGE RD., ODESSA....Wendy Waddell 638-9955.....MLS #108928..... SALE PENDING

3024 ROMA ST....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50015776.....$300,000
COLORADO CITY....Jerrilyn Garrison 207-0276.....MLS #50006943...10 Acres/$300,000
3030 CO. RD. 310, HUSBARD CREEK LAKE-BREKENRIDGE....Josie Alvarez.....$275,000
2742 FAIR OAKS CIRCLE....Darla Davis 260-8077.....MLS #105632.....$275,000
9909 KING RANCH RD., ODESSA....Pam Dodd 413-0780.....$260,000
6005 1ST, ODESSA....Pam Dodd 413-0780..... SALE PENDING
2350 CO. RD. 2031, STANTON....Wendy Waddell 638-9955.....MLS #50014915.....$210,000
1716 ROSEWOOD AVE., ODESSA....Darla Davis .....MLS #50011957.....$199,900
2201 S. 3RD, LAMESA....Larry Hatfield 349-4788.....MLS #50008073.....$199,000

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400 E. 50TH STREET, ODESSA....Amanda Gunter 413-7330.....$189,900
14201 LOYOLA, GARDENDALE....Leah Watkins.....MLS #50002358.....$189,000
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9202 LAKE CO. RD. 256....Sandy J Hanson 638-3819.....MLS #106036.....$99,400

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4309 S. CO. RD. 1131....Michelle Leskar 230-3633.....MLS #50009725.....$1,000,000
12302 W. CO. RD. 100....Ashley St. John.....MLS #50012355..... SALE PENDING
4309 S. CO. RD. 1131, GREENWOOD....Michelle Leskar 230-3633.MLS #50009775 Acres/$1,375,000

9700 FM 307....Sandy J Hanson 638-3819.....MLS #50005743.....$800,000

200 S. COLLEGE, STANTON....Michelle Leskar 230-3633.....MLS #50007763.....$305,000

2222 WOLFCAMP CIRCLE....Susan Palmer.....MLS #50013390..... SALE PENDING
401 MIDLAND DR....Lydia Scudder 853-2200.....MLS #103887.....$80,000

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4309 S. CO. RD. 1131, GREENWOOD....Michelle Leskar 230-3633.....MLS #50011832.....49 Acres/$1,375,000
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3004 CARDINAL LANE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880.....MLS #50015891.....$800,000
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4075 S.E. CO. RD. 2700...Tracy Farrow 413-4412.....MLS #50013546.....5.735 Acres/$94,000
12104 E. CO. RD. 01...Jesse Reniston 889-8994.....MLS #50012920.....$80,000
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4005 S.E. CO. RD. 2700...Tracy Farrow 413-4412.....MLS #50013533.....2.5 Acres/$44,000

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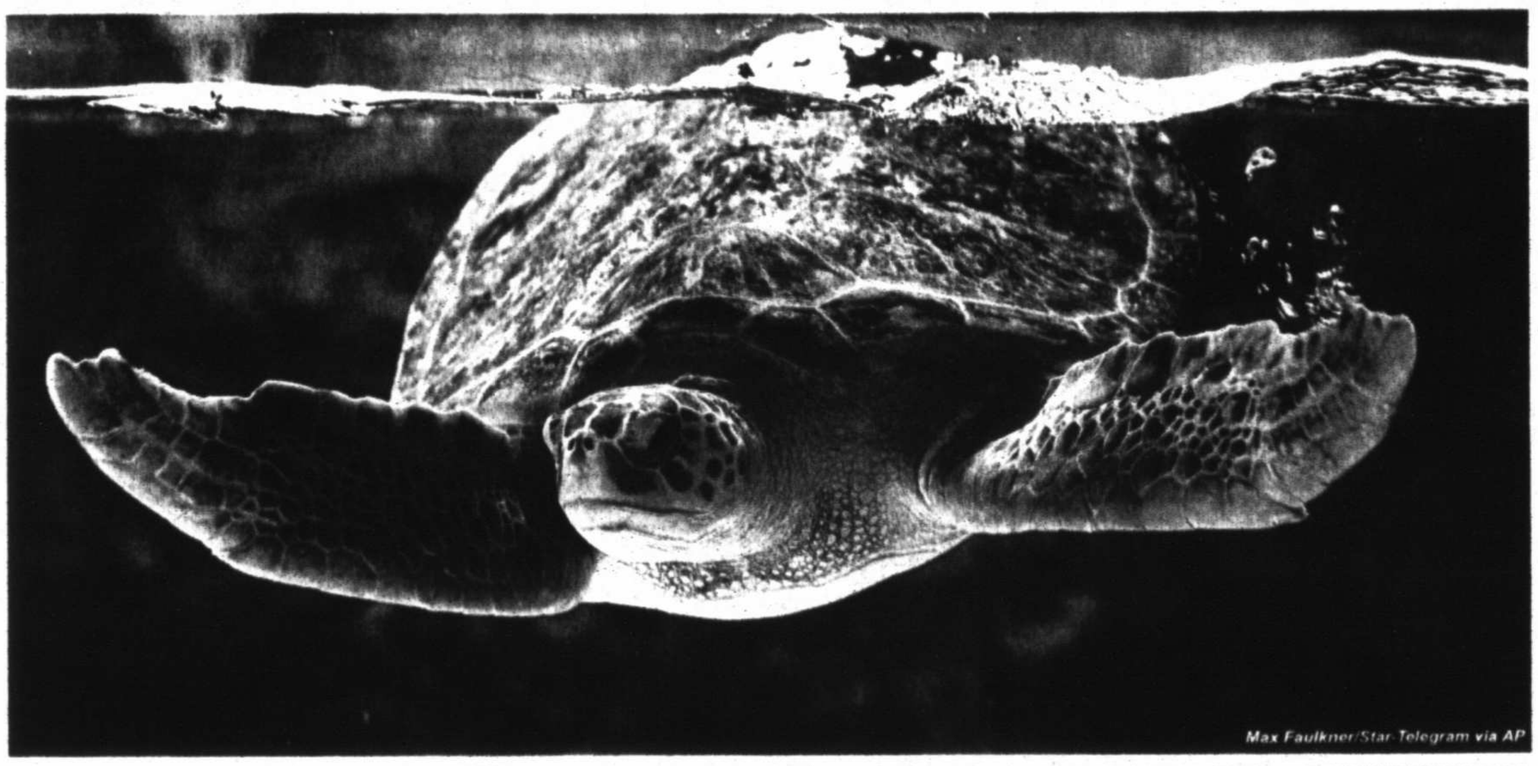

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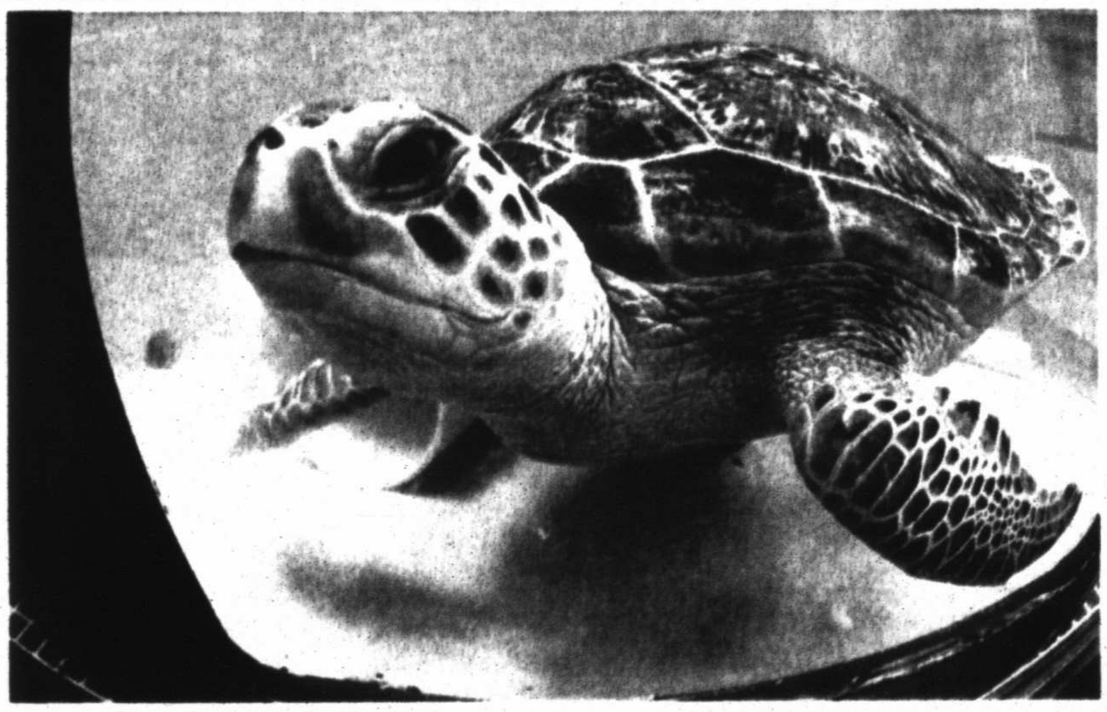
Rescued sea turtles find new home in North Texas



FROM TOP: Thalassia swims in a display at Sea Turtle Rescue Center on June 18 in Grapevine. Thalassia is a sea turtle that was hurt by a boat and can not be released back into the wild. Sea Turtle Rescue Center is a new addition at SEA LIFE Grapevine Aquarium; Pancake is a sea turtle recovering from a virus; Senior Aquarist Krista Huebner treats Pancake for his virus.

By Domingo Ramirez Jr.
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

GRAPEVINE — In North Texas, where longhorns and quarter horses are a common sight, Pancake sticks out.

She's a green sea turtle, a reptile native to the Texas coast who possesses a wide, smooth shell.

And she has green skin.

But more importantly, Pancake is the first patient at the new sea turtle rescue center at SEA LIFE Grapevine Aquarium, where she is on the road to recovery after having surgery for tumors.

The Grapevine aquarium is the first SEA LIFE in the United States to rehabilitate sick and injured sea turtles, an endangered species, officials said.

"We had the resources here," said Adam Nacci, a spokesman with SEA LIFE Grapevine, when asked how injured sea turtles from the Texas coast ended up in North Texas. It's a five-hour drive from Galveston to Grapevine. And it's almost nine hours from Brownsville. "In many hospitals for sea turtles on the coast, they could get overwhelmed with injured turtles. We can provide a place for them to rehabilitate."

Boat strikes, plastic debris, viruses such as fibropapilloma and cold weather are the leading causes of injuries to sea turtles across the world, marine experts say.

Just a few months ago, dozens of sea turtles suffered from being cold stunned, a hypothermic reaction that occurs when sea turtles are exposed to prolonged cold water temperatures.

So far this year, there have been 2,894 stranded or injured sea turtles on the Texas coast, according to statistics from Padre Island National Seashore. In 2017, there were 773.

"It is reassuring to know they (Grapevine sea turtle rescue center) are there to help if needed," Mary Kay Skoruppa of the Texas Coastal Ecological services field office said in a news release.

The green sea turtle gets its name not for its green shell, but for its green skin. How Pancake came by her name was a matter of speculation at the aquarium.

Grapevine SEA LIFE opened its rehabilitation facility and hospital just a few weeks ago, welcoming Pancake and four other sea turtles. Pancake is scheduled to be released back into the wild in July, but the other four will remain in Grapevine because they are not releasable because of their injuries.

"With our new permit and hospital, in addition to rescue, we can now care for sick or injured turtles until they're well enough for release back into the wild," said Karen Rifenbury, the curator at SEA LIFE.

And what about that long ride from the Texas coast to Grapevine and the return trip? Grapevine aquarists say sea turtles can handle it with the right equipment.

Generally, when transported, sea turtles are wrapped in wet towels in a tub, placed inside a vehicle with the temperature at 75 degrees. Eye drops and a squirt bottle are used when needed.

"I would check the temperature every 30 minutes," said Krista Huebner, who oversees Grapevine's sea turtle rescue center.

Pancake arrived in Grapevine after having surgery to remove six tumors that developed from fibropapilloma.

That's a virus that could be fatal to sea turtles as tumors develop on their skin and internal organs, which could interfere with swimming, eating, breathing, vision and reproduction, according to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Pancake was found to have golf-ball-sized tumors when she was picked up on Laguna Madre near Corpus Christi.

The Grapevine sea turtle rescue center has three other green sea reptiles — Thalassia, Eddie and Boomerang — and one hawksbill turtle, Scotti, who have suffered such severe injuries that they will never be released back into the wild.

Huebner estimated the rescue center could handle about 10 small turtles and six to seven medium-sized sea turtles.

"Pancake is in quarantine because we don't want any of the other turtles to get the disease," Huebner said, referring to her fibropapilloma.

Once Pancake is healthy, she will be released back into the wild. Other injured sea turtles who are nursed back to good health also will be released through work with Amos Rehabilitation Keep (ARK), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other Texas coast sea turtle hospitals.

But it won't be anywhere near North Texas — there are just too many horses and longhorns in the area.

At the Grapevine center, visitors can get firsthand experience with the process of rescuing and helping injured sea turtles.

Visitors can handle a mock turtle and go through a rehabilitation journey, nursing the reptile back to good health.

The Grapevine aquarium and sea turtle rescue center is at 3000 Grapevine Mills Parkway.

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5 QUESTIONS

With Linda Griffin | Midland Senior Center

Linda Griffin recently began her position as the director of the Midland Senior Center. Previously she taught at Midland ISD and Southwest Texas State University (now Texas State University). Griffin enjoys gardening, lap swimming at COM Aquatics, traveling and ballroom dancing. She and her husband, John, are members of several local dance clubs. She has three daughters and two grandchildren.

Griffin

MRT: What's been your proudest or most significant achievement in nonprofits?

Griffin: I was a retired teacher before I was hired to be director of the Midland Senior Center. When I heard this position was open, I saw

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NAMES & FACES

OUT&ABOUT

by Julie Donnelly

SHARE Walk

Emily Lovell, front, and Jakob Zarate, from left, Jayden Rivas, Ricky Kirian, Judy Castillo, Zoey Mendoza, John-Michael Rodriguez, Hope Reyes and Elizabeth Mendoza

SHARE Walk

Ketheren, left, and Miroir Armendariz

SHARE Walk

Simon Crudgington, from left, LeeAnna Crudgington and Sebastian Tello

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Robert Maloy, from left, Melissa Yarger, Curtis Yarger and John Ratliff

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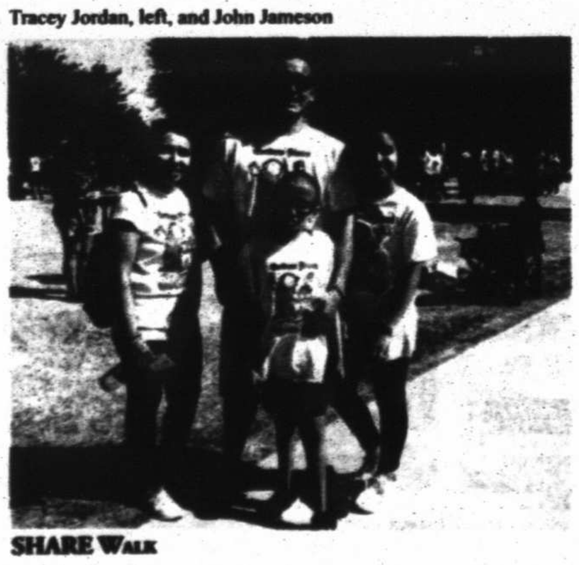
Adam Smith, from left, Broderick Browne, Ben Meggs and Joseph Jarke

SHARE Walk

Tracey Jordan, left, and John Jameson



SHARE Walk

Crystal and Jason Lara, back row from left, and Emery Lara; and Jason Lara Jr., front

Walkers raise money for SHARE

Local families stepped out and hit the pavement for the ninth Annual Autism SHARE (Sharing Hands A Respite Experience) Walk at Grande Communications Stadium. The one-mile walk is the largest fundraiser for SHARE, a local nonprofit that provides relief care, parent training and sibling support to families who have children with special needs.

Walkers were provided with lunch and T-shirts and had the opportunity to win door prizes. Awards were given out for the largest team, top fundraisers, best T-shirt and best dressed pet.

The event included a resource fair with local agencies that offer programs for the special-needs community.

Albertsons Market Street sponsored the event.

PBLA hosts shrimp boil

Shrimp, potatoes, corn on the cob and a variety of sausages were in abundance at The Permian Basin Landman's Association 2018 Shrimp Boil that was held at The Bar. The all-you-could-eat buffet was served from coolers lined up in rows.

Earlier in the day, PBLA presented an education seminar at the Petroleum Club.

To have an event included in "Out and About," contact Julie Donnelly at mrtjulie@outlook.com

Overweight man an keeps reverting to fast-food habit

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: My husband has become very overweight, which has caused his sex drive — as well as his health — to suffer.

I worry about him constantly, and I miss the intimacy we used to have.

He is aware of how I feel and started trying to eat healthier. He also tries to exercise at least a little bit every day.

The problem is he constantly falls off the wagon.

Sometimes, he says he's too tired to exercise, or he reverts back to his old habits and ends up eating fast food.

He always tries again the next day, but he won't make much progress at the rate he's going.

I don't want to nag him to death, but I do want him around for a long time. What can I say that will make him take this more seriously? — ALL ABOUT HEALTH IN ALABAMA

DEAR ALL ABOUT HEALTH: Tell your husband how much you love him, and that you're afraid "until death do us part" will happen prematurely if he continues killing himself with his fork and his sedentary ways.

You might also recite the names of the various diseases that accompany obesity in most people.

But if your husband's doctor hasn't been able to get the message through to him, there isn't much more you can do besides love him for the wonderful husband he is and keep your fingers crossed.

I say this because the only person who can "make" your husband commit to a diet and exercise program is himself, with the recognition that changing his unhealthy patterns probably won't be easy and will take time.

DEAR ABBY: Recently, my wife took two of our granddaughters (ages 9 and 15) and a friend (age 15) to the movies.

As usual, the next day I found trash had been left in the car, which triggered the following text exchange.

I sent both granddaughters a picture of a garbage can and my car and asked: "Please advise which one is used to throw away trash? If you need help, ask your mom. I'm not accusing anyone of anything.

Also, if one of your friends was to throw trash on your Poppy's car floor, what should you do? Would you ask them to pick it up — yes or no?"

The only response I received was from their mom, who said, "'Amber' (granddaughter) did not leave trash in your car!" Things have gone downhill from there.

I replied that I expected an answer to my questions, and that I hadn't accused anybody of anything. You would think I had shot someone!

Many tears have been shed, and my wife has threatened to divorce me for standing my ground. We have agreed to have you settle this. What say you? — TALKING TRASH IN SOUTH CAROLINA

DEAR TALKING TRASH: You are the injured party. You did nothing wrong.

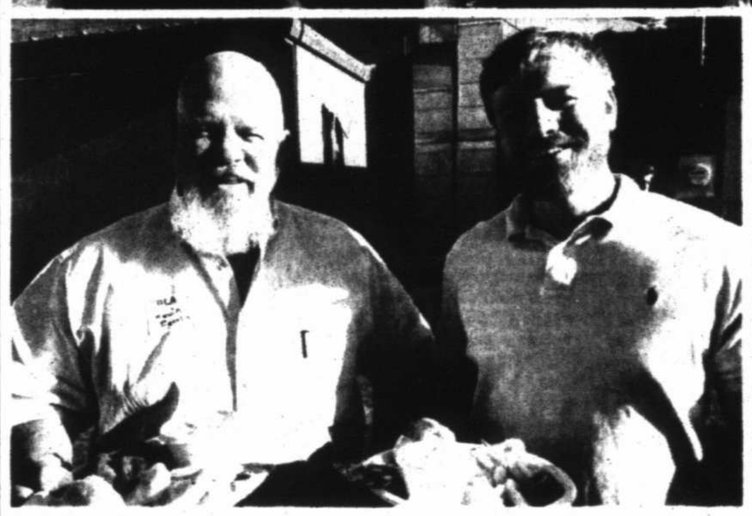
You are owed an apology from all concerned — the kid who left the trash in your car, and your wife and daughter for overreacting.

DEAR ABBY: My older sister was born on July 4. She's now in her 60s and refuses to celebrate the holiday.

She also doesn't want the immediate family to celebrate it either. We have tried to be supportive in years past, but we miss having our Fourth of July holiday. What do you suggest? — WANTS TO CELEBRATE

DEAR WANTS TO CELEBRATE: I suggest that before July 4, you declare your independence by asking your older sister what other day she would like to celebrate her birthday.

Then celebrate the Fourth of July as you would like — without her.



TOP: PBLA

Stuart Smith, from left, Patrick McMillin, Brandon Durrett and Jason Lodge

LEFT: PBLA

Kevin Ferrin, left, and Travis Phibbs

Kumquats are sour, resemble tiny oranges

HINTS FROM HELOISE

King Features Syndicate

Dear Reader: Ever try a kumquat? They originated in China and Indochina, where they are called "golden oranges" or "golden tangerines." They resemble a tiny orange but are closer in size to a large olive. There are a number of varieties, but the most common one in America is oval and a bright orange in color. The inside of the kumquat is sour (and contains a seed), but the skin has a sweet taste to it. The fruit ripens in mid- to late winter. Kumquats are rich in vitamin C and dietary fiber, and they can be made into jellies or eaten straight from the tree after washing the outer skin. — Heloise

SWEET SUBSTITUTION

Dear Readers: Do you have a recipe that calls for an unsweetened square of chocolate, but you don't have any? Try this: Combine 3 level tablespoons of cocoa powder with 1 tablespoon of solid vegetable shortening.

For a ton of other recipe substitutes that will help you out in a pinch, order my Seasonings, Sauces and Substitutes pamphlet online at Heloise.com.

One of my favorites is combining 6 ounces of cottage cheese and 1 teaspoon of lemon juice as a substitute for sour cream. It works great! — Heloise

VARIOUS OLIVE OILS

Dear Heloise: What is the difference between virgin olive oil and extra virgin olive oil? — Denise O'B., Pocatello, Idaho

Denise, virgin oil is unrefined oil from the first

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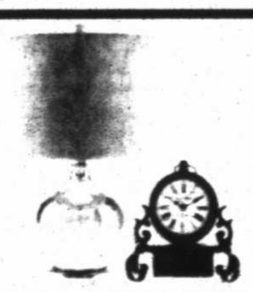

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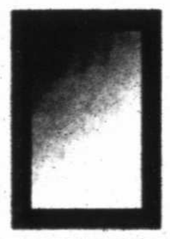

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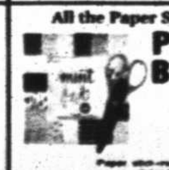

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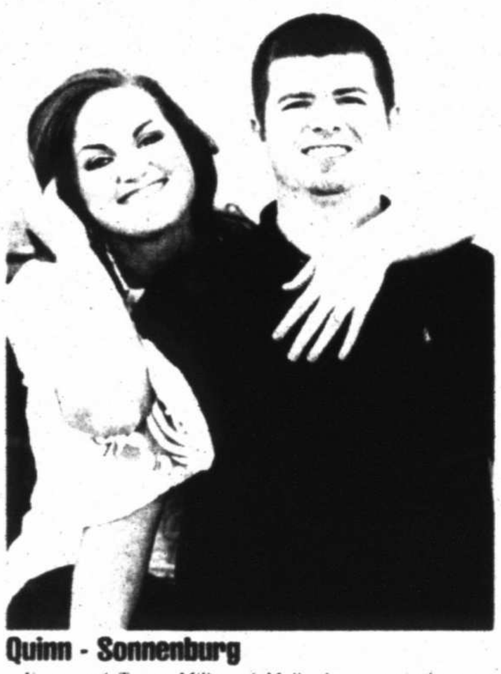

Quinn - Sonnenburg

Kevin and Teresa Miller, of Midland, are excited to announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Ann Quinn, to Shane Andrew Sonnenburg, the son of Gary and Jane Sonnenburg, of Brenham, Texas.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Jacque and Marguerite Stoltz, of Midland, the late Willard and Donna Miller, of Kirklin, Indiana, and Chuck and Norma Quinn, of Corinth, Texas.

The groom-elect is the grandson of the late Waldie and Marie Sonnenburg, of Brenham, Texas, as well as the late Jimmie and Helen Schmitt, of Houston, Texas.

Laura graduated from Trinity High School in Midland in 2008. She received her bachelor's degree in Microbiology from Texas Tech University in 2012. She received her Master's degree in Physician Assistant Studies from Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center in 2014.

Shane graduated from Brenham High School in 2006. He received his bachelor's degree in International Economics from Texas Tech University in 2010.

Laura is currently working as a Physician Assistant at a family practice clinic. Shane is currently employed with ProPetro Services as a Lead Frac Engineer in Midland.

The wedding is planned for September 22, 2018 in Midland, Texas.

Marshall - Ofe

Mr. and Mrs. William Marshall, Jr. of Midland, Texas, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Caroline Skyler Marshall, to Mr. Nathan Alexander Ofe, son of Mrs. Jerry Rankin of Georgetown, Texas, and Mr. Thomas Ofe of Dallas, Texas. An August wedding is planned.

Miss Marshall is a graduate of Midland Classical Academy and Baylor University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Apparel Design and Product Development. Mr. Ofe graduated from Texas A&M. He is the executive vice president of SourceRock Consulting, a development consulting firm in Dallas, Texas.

Take protective measures before squash bugs invade

JEFF FLOYD

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Agent

Squash bugs: you either hate them or really hate them.

A recent question submitted to "Ask an Expert" on the website extension.org revealed the misery they've caused one gardener who asked: "Is there any way to get rid of and/or prevent squash bugs from wrecking my harvest?"

There are a few strategies that may help you reap a decent harvest.

Just don't wait until you notice squash bugs before taking protective measures.

Insecticidal soaps are organic and usually gentler on good bugs than traditional pesticides.

Once the leaves are about 5 inches wide, apply the soap every three or four days or per label directions.

Be sure to coat the underside of the foliage because this is where most pests hide.

In addition to young squash bugs, soaps control several other difficult-to-see pests.

Once spotted, removing squash bugs by hand can be a gratifying activity even if it isn't the most effective means of controlling them.

Squash bugs tend to congregate on individual leaves, which can be removed without damaging the plant.

Several biological supply companies offer live predators that can help control pests.

However, unless you're releasing them in a greenhouse or other enclosure, don't expect them to work exclusively in your garden.

Chances are good they'll disperse into the neighborhood regardless of how carefully you follow the seller's instructions. Nevertheless, opening a container of lady beetles near your vegetable beds won't hurt and may be a special source of education and entertainment for young gardeners.

Plant fast-maturing squash varieties known to perform well in West Texas.

Set them out a couple of weeks before the average last frost date, which is March 29.

This means you'll need to plan on providing protection for the tender plants by covering them in the evenings and on cold days. Also, providing a source of warmth for new vegetable transplants is critical in cold weather.

A string of low-power incandescent Christmas lights works well, offering just enough heat in most enclosed areas to prevent frost injury.

Finally, don't wait too long to harvest squash. You're not trying to grow baseball bats.

Most members of the squash family are best picked as soon as they reach a modest 5 to 6 inches in length.

To learn more about gardening in West Texas, Contact the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension office at 432-686-4700 or email jeff.floyd@ag.tamu.edu.

HELOISE

From 3E

pressing of olives. If it's green in color, it may have been artificially colored.

Extra virgin olive oil has a medium color and a very distinct olive flavor. These usually are the more expensive olive oils. Heloise

PIE CRUSTS

Dear Heloise: I have a bet going with my mother-in-law over which is better for light, flaky pie crusts: lard or butter.

Which do you recommend for pie crusts? — Helen C., Pinhook, Ind.

Helen, it all depends on what type of crust you want.

For fruit pies, flaky pie crusts are the best. For this you'll need to use lard. As the lard evaporates, it creates pockets of steam, and that forms air pockets, making the crust flaky.

If you want a mealy crust for cream pies or custard pies (it's less likely to get soggy), use butter. There's less evaporation, making the crust firmer. — Heloise

ORGANIC OR NATURAL?

Dear Heloise: My husband insists that "organic" and "natural" labels are the same thing, but I don't think they are. Are they?

Jean T., Florissant, Mo.

Jean, no, they are not the same thing.

Generally, "natural" on a food label means there weren't any artificial preservatives, coloring or flavor enhancers used on the item.

The term "organic" includes growing methods, and to be truly organic, a farmer must follow organic certification guidelines. — Heloise

PARBOIL

Dear Heloise: What is parboiled? As a bachelor, I just don't know. — Jack J. in San Antonio

Jack, it means to boil until partially cooked. Heloise

WRAPPED BANANAS

Dear Heloise: Here is another banana suggestion: Over 50 years ago, a friend told me to individually wrap each banana in aluminum foil before placing it in the refrigerator.

Even after a week, the skin may look a bit dark, but the banana will still be firm. — Laura L., Winter Haven, Fla.

BRIDGE

PERMIAN BRIDGE CLUB

JUNE 18

Ann Servatius-Charlie Grimes, Dorothy Brenneman-Linda Buzan, Kay Sewell-Greg Keys, Linda McDonald-Terri Melton, Nancy Ward-Linda Scarpelli

JUNE 19

Bonnie Hubbard-Ricki Perry, K.C. Evans-Debbie Conly, Tommie Strack-Buzan, Patti Heard-Kay Arrell, David Hudson-Keys, Sandy Hill-Janet Stoltz

JUNE 20

Flo Curry-Marlene Blumentritt, James Hawkins-Bob Bacon, Lonnie Yee-Scarpelli, Scott Vaughan-Brenneman, Shirley Davenport-Ward, Bill Brooks-Buzan

JUNE 21

Dorothy Baird-Blumentritt, Betty Moore-Servatius, Ann Parish-Buzan, John Seymour-Helen Davis, Ayra Cirilo-Vaughan, Hill-Debbie Conner

Mike Robinson-Audie Brooks, Phyllis Maxwell-Georgia Temple, Scarpelli-Grimes, Yee-B. Brooks, Mary Tift-Ann Brooks

Overall: Baird-Blumentritt, Moore-Servatius, Robinson-Audie Brooks, Parish-Buzan, Maxwell-Temple, Scarpelli-Grimes, Yee B. Brooks, Seymour-Davis, Cirilo-Vaughan, Tift-Brooks, Hill-Conner

JUNE 22

Evans-Conly, Bacon-Hawkins, Curry-Blumentritt, Audie Brooks-B. Brooks, Hubbard-Stoltz, Sue Marshall-Sally Reeder

JUNE 23

Marilyn Matthews-Deborah Brookins, Conly-Evans, Blumentritt-Buzan, Yee-Ward

GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

Bold bidding, solid play

North-South vulnerable. South deals

NORTH
♠ 10 6 5
♥ A J 6 5
♦ 10 7 4
♣ K 5 2

WEST
♠ 4
♥ Q 2
♦ K Q 8 6 5 2
♣ J 8 6 4

EAST
♠ Q J 9 8
♥ K 7 4 3
♦ J 9 3
♣ Q 9

SOUTH
♠ A K 7 3 2
♥ 10 9 8
♦ A
♣ A 10 7 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	2♥	2♠	Pass
4♠	All pass		

Opening lead: King of ♥

South's jump to game was probably too bold, but North would have accepted an invitation, so the final contract was normal. It would have sailed home on a 3-2 trump split, but it required good play on this layout.

South won the opening diamond lead in hand, perforce, and led the eight of hearts, ducked to East's king. East shifted to the tricky nine of clubs, which declarer won in hand with the ace.

He cashed his two high spades, learning the bad news, and led the 10 of hearts to the queen and ace. South ruffed a diamond, cashed the nine of hearts, and crossed back to dummy with the king of clubs. The jack of hearts was cashed and dummy's last diamond was ruffed by declarer.

That did it! Four spades, three hearts, one diamond and two clubs gave South his contract.

Declarer timed this hand perfectly, making good use of his limited entries to dummy. Had he won the club shift with dummy's king, for example, the contract would have failed.

It seems that the unlikely opening lead of the queen of hearts would have defeated the contract, denying South an important entry before it was needed. West, of course, cannot be faulted for his diamond lead. Well played!

Dahlias are easy to grow, perform well in hot weather

Lance Iversen/San Francisco Chronicle, file

A Pam Howden Dahlia shows off it's brilliant colors at the Dahlia Dell on July 24, 2010, in San Francisco Golden Gate Park.

CAROL SIDDALL

Permian Basin Master Gardener

In my book, the dahlia is one of the prettiest flowers in the family garden. Dahlias bring back sweet memories for me. My mother grew gorgeous ones that were dinner-plate size. One of the best things about dahlias is they are an economical plant.

They are easy to grow in full sun and thrive in any soil type. Their blooms can last up to a week, and they make wonderful cut flowers. There are also many colors to choose from.

If you want performance in hot weather like the last few weeks, plant dahlias. You can dig the tubers after frost and save them for planting the following year.

Nurseries offer dainty and petite or bold and brawny with blooms bigger than a foot in diameter. Dahlias need to be planted in spring after danger of frost has passed and ground temperature has reached 60 degrees.

You will need to select a planting site with at least six to eight hours of direct sunlight. Morning sun is best. Protection from wind is helpful, especially for the taller varieties. Dahlias will thrive in rich, well-drained soil.

The planting hole should be slightly larger than the tuber. Place some compost into the soil.

A handful of bone meal mixed in also helps. Otherwise, do not fertilize at planting.

Plant the tubers whole, with the "eyes" facing up, about 6 to 8 inches deep. The crowns should be facing just above soil level. I learned the hard way that it is best not to water them right after planting because this could lead to rot.

Wait until the sprouts have appeared above the soil to water.

The dahlia was named in the late 1700s for Swedish botanist Andreas Dahl and gained popularity in American gardens about 100 years ago. If this is a new flower for you, give it a try. Happy gardening!

5Qs

From 1E

an opportunity to have a positive influence on the lives of the seniors who utilize this facility. In my three months since becoming director, I think that is becoming a reality.

It is an honor to work with these wonderful people. If I can help enrich the lives of the seniors who come to the center, then that will be my most significant achievement.

MRT: What would you say is your best quality?

Griffin: Persistence. If I have a vision of what I want to accomplish, then I will pursue making it happen, even if that means going from Plan A to Plan B, C, etc.

It is my vision to make the Midland Senior Center an enjoyable place for all seniors. The road to making that happen may take many twists and turns, but with persistence, we will get there.

MRT: What is the best thing you cook?

Griffin: Cornbread from cornmeal ground at Suber's Corn Mill in Greer, South Carolina. The mill has been grinding corn since 1908.

I was told at the time of purchase that the secret to great cornbread was buttermilk. It is so good.

MRT: Your not-so-secret indulgence is…

Griffin: Ballroom dancing. I always had a yearning to learn from watching the old movie musicals.

In 2006, I took a ballroom dance class through the Midland College Continuing Education Program.

I found out ballroom dancing is no different than any other sport. It takes practice to be good, but it is so much fun.

MRT: What book do you always recommend?

Griffin: "The Shepherd of the Hills" by Harold Bell Wright. I discovered this book on a trip to Branson, Missouri.

It is a fictional story depicting the lives of people living in the Ozark Mountains.

It is a wonderful book full of action, suspense and intrigue.

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DYNAMICS OF CHANGE

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In this undated photo, roughneck cleans the drilling floor of a rig working for Chevron in the Permian Basin near Midland.

Advisory firm: Energy sector is evolving

■ Four primary themes will drive dynamics of change

By Mella McEwen
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Changes are washing over the energy sector — from upstream to downstream and related sectors such as petrochemicals, transportation and power. These changing dynamics will mean an energy sector that will be far different in the future than it is today.

Stratas Advisors, the consulting and data analysis arm of Hart Energy, has identified four themes that will drive these changes:

■ A changing energy mix stemming from the advent of shale-related production, but also from shifts in non-shale production and the growing importance of natural gas, coupled with an increased focus on clean sources of energy and alternative fuels within the transportation and non-transportation segments.

■ Shifting energy flows associated with differing rates of economic growth and energy intensity, shifting the economic center from the Atlantic Basin to the Pacific Basin, the expanding role of the U.S. as an energy supplier, along with geopolitics involving OPEC, Russia, the Middle East and China-U.S. relationships, together create the potential for bottlenecks, dislocations and investment needs in new areas.

■ An evolving transportation sector pertaining to all modes of transportation — road, marine, rail and air — that are being affected by the shared affinity for electrification, digitization, autonomy, efficiency and green.

■ An intensifying regulatory environment encompasses upstream-related standards, GHG regulations, tightening fuel specifications and an array of subsidies and mandates. While the intensity will ebb and flow, the regulatory environment will continue to have a major impact on future market conditions and the competitive landscape.

Stephen Beck, senior director of upstream, with Stratas, told the Reporter-Telegram by email the exploration and production sector will be directly impacted by each of the four themes.

"However, the degree and direction of impact from each will vary," he said. "Hence, winners in the E&P sector will need to be agile competitors with abilities to scale with market signals."

He said the theme of changing energy mix factors greatly in resource selection and portfolio optimization. Changing mix will present many options to E&P operators, presenting opportunities and challenges to operators. "At the core, operators will need to effectively assess strategic alternatives in a less certain environment," he said.

The theme of shifting energy flows will mean fresh opportunities for entities positioned to participate in international

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Elite Tank expands with Midland facility

By Mella McEwen
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Elite Tank celebrated its seventh anniversary by opening a Permian Basin location in Midland.

The Permian Basin has been the company's primary focus, President J.B. Bolin said in a phone interview from his Ada, Oklahoma, office.

"Our customers wanted us to have a presence there," he said. "They wanted to be able to come to our yard and pick up tanks — one, two, five — instantly. This will allow us, if our customers want a product, they can let us know and we will have it ready" rather than having the tanks shipped from Oklahoma.

"We'll deliver, too. Logistically, this should speed things up," Bolin said.

Elite manufactures a line of polyethylene tanks ranging from 35 gallons to 6,250 gallons and bulk containments as well as tank stand assemblies, chemical pumps, stainless steel fittings and tubing and pump repair services.

Willis Rinehart, partner and sales manager, told the Reporter-Telegram the tanks primarily are used for chemical injection and the most popular sizes are the 125-, 225- and 325-gallon tanks. "Some customers need two or three right away," he said.

"This is a food-grade product designed for about any use," Bolin said. "We sell primarily to the oil field, farm and ranch, but our No. 1 sales are to the oil field, and the No. 1 use is for chemical injection."

Photo courtesy Elite Tank

Willis Rinehart, partner and sales manager, left, and J.B. Bolin, president, celebrated Elite Tank's seventh anniversary with the opening of a Midland facility on East County Road 120.

The new Midland facility at 5300 E. County Road 120 sits on 2 1/2 acres and will serve as a full-service sales and distribution facility. It will be managed by Cyndi Bowers.

Bolin said company officials had been discussing for several years establishing a Permian Basin facility.

"We decided the first of this year what we wanted to do and to have it open on our anniversary," he said.

Rinehart said word-of-mouth has helped grow the business.

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EPIC Midstream completes Phase Two of NGL pipeline

From staff reports

EPIC Midstream Holdings LP has completed the second phase of the EPIC NGL Pipeline that will carry natural gas liquids from the Permian Basin to Corpus Christi.

EPIC is now shipping product from DLK Black River Midstream through Reeves, Ward, Crane and Upton counties to Benedum, putting into service 205 miles of the total 700-mile pipeline. The San Antonio-based company had completed the first phase in March, a 40-mile segment from DLK Black River Midstream to Delaware Basin Midstream.

Construction continues on the third and final phase, from Benedum to Corpus Christi, and is expected to be complete in late 2019.

The pipeline is now connected to five processing complexes with a capacity of over a billion cubic feet.

In addition to announcing the completion of the second phase, EPIC said it has chosen Optimized Process Designs

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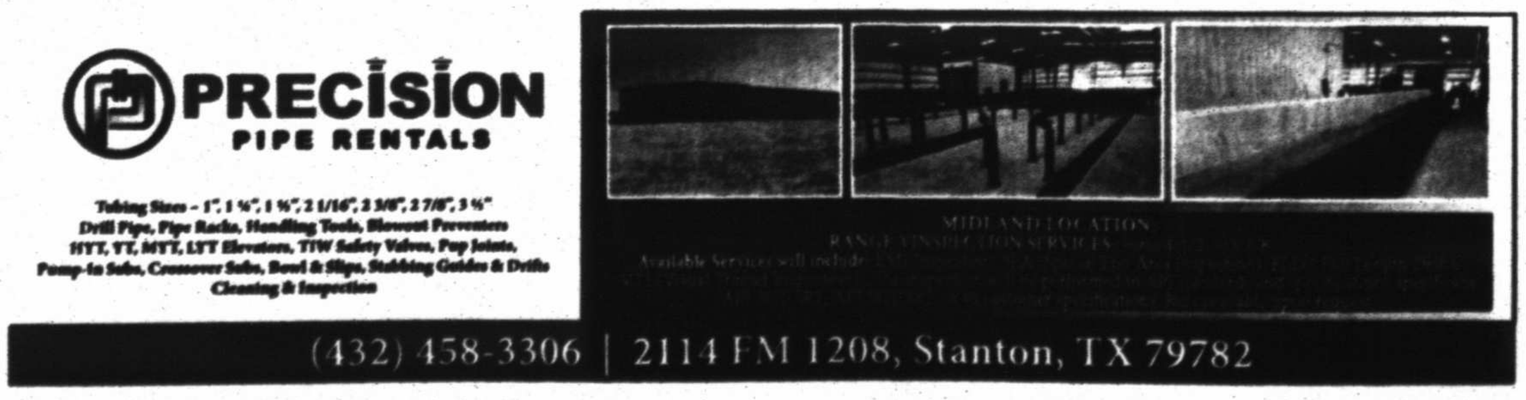

Petroleum Professional Development Center

All classes will be held at the Midland College PPDC building, 221 N. Main St.

To register, go to the Midland College PPDC's New Website: https://mcce.midland.edu

On-Line Division Order Certificate Program: Module 4 of 6: Calculations
Instructor: Sherry Robinson
Start Date: July 3, 2018; End Date: July 30, 2018; Registration Deadline: 11:59 p.m., July 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 4 of 6: Oil and Gas Law and Its Impact on Land Practices
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: July 5, 2018; End Date: July 30, 2018; Registration Deadline: 11:59 p.m., July 4, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50

Hydraulic Fracturing in Horizontal Wells
Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Miskimins
Start Date: July 9 -10, 2018 – Monday – Tuesday - 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.
Cost: $800; Out of State $825

Basic Drilling for Non Drilling Engineers
Instructor: Tommy Lent
Start Date: July 10 – 11, 2018
Cost: $430; Out of State: $455

Petroleum Engineering for Non-Engineers
Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Miskimins
Start Date: July 11 -12, 2018 – Wednesday – Thursday - 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.
Cost: $695; Out of State $720

An Overview of Multistage Completion Systems for Hydraulic Fracturing
Instructor: Aaron Burton
Start Date: July 12, 2018 – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $575; Out of State $600

Petroleum Geology for Non Geologists
Instructor: Paul Pausé
Start Date: July 16-19, 2018 – Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1835; Out of State $1860

New Course: Artificial Lift and Production Optimization
Instructor: Rajan Chokshi, Ph.D.
Start Date: July 17-19, 2018 – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1500; $1525 Out of State (Lunch included)

New Course: Artificial Lift and Real-Time Optimization for Unconventional Assets
Instructor: Rajan Chokshi, Ph.D.
Start Date: July 24 -26, 2018 – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1500; $1525 Out of State (Lunch included)

IHSMarkit: Enerdeq Browser Training
Instructor: Keith Ina
Start Date: July 26, 2018 – Thursday – 9 a.m. to Noon
Cost: Complimentary - Register directly with IHS Markit

Introduction to Oil Company Financial Analysis
Instructor: Dr. Patrick Fitzgerald
Start Date: July 30, 2018 – Monday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $350; Out of State: $375

Due Diligence
Instructor: Dr. Patrick Fitzgerald
Start Date: July 31 – August 1, 2018 – Tuesday – Wednesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $450; Out of State $475

Petra Fundamentals
Instructor: Greg Hinterlong
Start Date: August 1-2, 2018 – Wednesday – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $625; Out of State $650

On-Line Division Order Certificate Program: Module 5 of 6: Oil & Gas Law
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: August 2, 2018; End Date: August 30, 2018; Registration Deadline: 11:59 p.m., August 1, 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: Legally Enforceable Oil & Gas Contracts
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: August 2, 2018; End Date: August 30, 2018; Registration Deadline: 11:59 p.m., August 1, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50

Sucker Rod Pumps: From Basics to Troubleshooting Sand and Gas Interference
Instructor: Rodney Sands
Start Date: August 2, 2018 Thursday — 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $150; Out of State $175

Well Control Drilling/ Workover (WellSharp)
Instructor: Larry Chapman
Start Date: August 6-10, 2018 – Monday – Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1200; Out of State $1225

PetroSkills: Corrosion Management in Production/Processing Operations – PF-22
Instructor: Dr. Carlos Palacios
Start Date: August 6-10, 2018 – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $4190 - Register directly with PetroSkills

Well Service and Pressure Control
Instructor: Mike Cure
Start Date: August 8, 2018 – Wednesday — 8:00 am to 5:00 pm
Cost: $375, Out of State $400

Optimizing Oilfield Systems Using Spreadsheet Models
Instructor: Peter L. Galusky, Jr., Ph.D., P.E.
Start Date: August 9, 2018 – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $350, Out of State $375

New Course: Gas Lift and Optimization in Unconventional — Primer through Intermediate Application Concepts
Instructor: Rajan Chokshi, Ph.D.
Start Date: August 14-16, 2018 – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1500; $1525 Out of State (Lunch included)

SQL
Instructor: Mark Edgar
Start Date: August 16th – Thursday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $375, Out of State $400

Advanced SQL
Instructor: Mark Edgar
Start Date: August 17th – Friday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $450; Out of State $475

PetroSkills: Piping Systems — Mechanical Designs and Specifications — ME-41
Instructor: Gerald Guidroz
Start Date: August 20-24, 2018 – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $4290 — Register directly with PetroSkills

IHSMarkit: Kingdom Geological Interpretation
Instructor: Glen Penfield
Start Date: August 20-21, 2018 — Monday — Tuesday — 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1400 — Register directly with IHS Markit

IHSMarkit: Kingdom Seismic Interpretation
Instructor: Glen Penfield
Start Date: August 22-24, 2018 — Wednesday — Friday — 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $2100 — Register directly with IHS Markit

Fundamentals of Well Log Interpretation
Instructor: Dr. George Asquith
Start Date: August 22-24th – Wednesday – Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $775; Out of State $800

Professional Technical Sales Instructor: Paul Hughes
Start Date: August 24, 2018 – Friday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $250; Out of State: $275

LMKR: New Course: PRIZM-Petrophysics Essentials
Register directly with LMRK cviteri@lmkr.com
Instructor: Carlos Yanez
Start Date: August 28 -29, 2018 – Tuesday - Wednesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1,500

On-Line Division Order Certificate Program: Module 6 of 6: Oil & Gas Contracts
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: September 5, 2018; End Date: September 28, 2018; Registration Deadline: 11:59 p.m., September 4, 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 6 of 6: Federal Laws that Impact the Oil & Gas Industry
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: September 5, 2018; End Date: September 28, 2018; Registration Deadline: 11:59 p.m., September 4, 2018
Cost: $612.50; Out of State, $637.50

IHSMarkit: Kingdom Seismic Interpretation
Instructor: James Ewert
Start Date: September 5, 2018 — Wednesday — 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $600 — Register directly with IHS Markit

IHSMarkit: Kingdom Seismic Interpretation
Instructor: James Ewert
Start Date: September 6, 2018 — Thursday — 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $600 — Register directly with IHS Markit

PetroSkills: Advanced Hydraulic Fracturing — A6F
Instructor: Alfred Jennings
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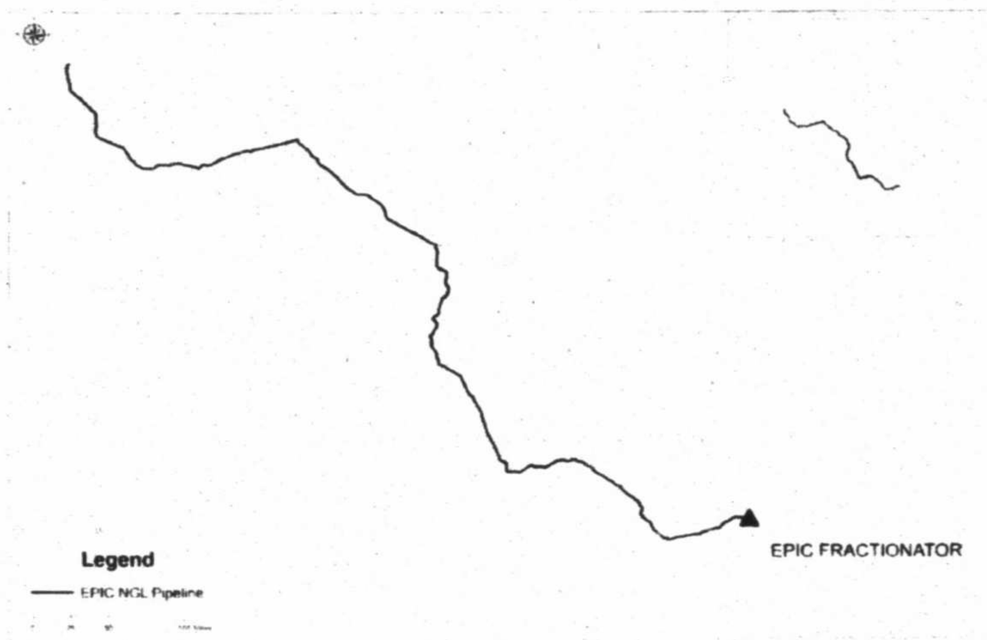

EPIC

From 2F

LLC of Houston to provide engineering, procurement and construction services for its first 100,000 barrel per day fractionation train at Robstown. The train is expected to be in service next year.

EPIC began construction of the NGL pipeline in December after reaching a definitive agreement with BP Energy Co. to anchor the pipeline, which will ship NGLs from the Permian Basin and Eagle Ford to Gulf Coast refiners, petrochemical companies and export markets. The line will have a throughput capacity of over 400,000 barrels per day with multiple origin points in the Delaware and Midland basins.

The NGL line will run side-by-side with EPIC's crude oil pipeline, a 590,000 barrel-a-day pipeline from Orla to the Port of Corpus Christi.

The crude line is expected to be in service next year.

Elite

From 1F

"One chemical company refers us to another chemical company, and they'll tell us, 'If you do what you say, we'll do business,'" he said. "We don't tell customers we can do something we can't."

"I've gotten a call on a Friday and been in Hobbs the next Monday with a full load. That goes a long way with our customers," he said.

Rinehart said he has traveled to trade shows in 10 or 12 states, from as far north as North Dakota, as far south as South Texas, as far east as Pennsylvania, as far west as Colorado and Utah — "and all states in between."

Another appeal is the company's willingness to help customers customize their tanks, something Rinehart said the Midland facility will be able to offer in the future. And once the customer's preference is known, it's kept on file for future business, Bolin and Rinehart said.

And while the company may not be able to stock everything, "We stock as much as possible, and if a customer needs something, we can make it a stock item," said Bolin.

He said Elite Tank is one of multiple companies he has started and owns that grew out of his other work with welding shops and machine shops, among other businesses. This is his first presence outside of Oklahoma. "I've been doing business within three miles (of Ada) for over 40 years," he said.

He is in the process of staffing the Midland facility. He already has hired area sales representatives and needs at least two more immediately. More will be needed as activity at the facility picks up volume, he said.

He said he can move employees around his multiple businesses as needed.

"Having a family of businesses, we support each other," he said. "Right now, we're concentrating on getting the tank business up and supplying the needs of the businesses there."

While word-of-mouth has helped build the business, "I think God's a big part of everything we do. I give him credit in all we do," said Bolin.

Sector

From 1F

markets. More than likely, companies with previous international experience should have an advantage over those without. A current example of this is the recent announcement regarding Exxon Mobil and Algeria, Beck said.

"Third, the evolving transportation theme could ultimately lead to slower growth for crude oil. This is especially so internationally where adoption rates for electric vehicles has outpaced domestic markets. Even still, this is a very long-term factor."

"While federal-level regulations appear to be lessening on the sector, states and local jurisdictions have shown a capacity to influence industry activity," he said. "Even in Texas, which tends to be more friendly, environmental concerns continue to shape industry practices. A recent example hits in the heart of the Permian. Rules regarding the Dune Sagebrush Lizard (DSL) and areas deemed protected are changing. E&P's holding acreage in or around sensitive areas will need to factor above-ground risk into their calculus."

Greg Haas, director, Stratas Advisors, told the Reporter-Telegram by email the United States should be able to handle its expanding role as an energy supplier.

"The U.S. has a very strong petroleum resource base and a robust industry value chain that should drive North American gas, oil and natural gas liquids production for decades. At the same time, U.S. demand growth has been underperforming supply growth in many of the produced hydrocarbons. The export market is the relief valve to keep supply flowing to markets in volumes above the levels demanded within U.S. borders. With higher growth in energy demand expected overseas, and with sustainable competitive advantage for the U.S. industry, we expect lower production costs here should drive U.S. industry to increase exports to monetize its production. Further, we expect international buyers will find long-term cost advantage for imports of U.S. production versus other suppliers and sources. Within the U.S., the energy producing regions closest to the marine ports with export infrastucture will likely have the greatest long-term position. That includes the plays in Texas such as the Permian, Eagle Ford, and gassy plays on the east side of the state."

Haas said expectations that many of the world's existing hydrocarbon-producing regions will hit peak production in the mid-to-late 2020s could coincide with the rise in transportation electrification. He echoed Beck's comments that international adoption of electric vehicles is outpacing their adoption domestically.

"We anticipate electric passenger vehicles to continue a slow ramp in adoption in western markets that already have invested in infrastructure systems and supply logistics built out for transportation based on hydrocarbon fuels. Conversely, we expect that some emerging economies and nations with lesser-developed transportation systems may be able to invest in electric transportation and this form of infrastructure rather than in petroleum. With slow adoption in western markets and potentially a leap-frogging adoption of electric rather than petroleum-based transit in emerging markets, we anticipate electric vehicles should make a significant impact in transportation markets in the later parts of the next decade. More rapid adoption could be seen if battery technology advances more rapidly than we expect to make step-change improvements for range, lower cost, longevity, and quick-charge capability."

As to the fourth theme — an intensifying regulatory environment — Haas said market forces will drive regulatory change rather than a presidential administration or legislature.

"We believe market forces will continue to drive regulatory change from within and without the U.S. We see some of the most impactful actual or potential regulations as being promulgated or proposed in the U.S. states. These include flaring reductions, carbon limits, renewable portfolio standards, efficiency standards, drilling or fracturing moratoriums, pipeline prohibitions, and more. Elsewhere, international markets are setting the tone and hurdles for marine fuel standards, vehicular drive train technology standards, renewable adoption mandates, carbon control mechanisms, and others. Today is no time to expect lower regulatory burdens for the energy industry and it is also no time to fear any pell-mell overturning of any well-founded regulations which were passed with proper procedure and which are rooted to wider societal desires and aspirations," he said.

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Energy Transfer Partners*	**$69.25**	**Nymex futures**	**$69.10***
Flint Hills Resources*	**$69.25**		
Phillips 66	**$69.38**		
Plains*	**$69.25**		

*Net price without transportation charge

Note: Posted prices as of June 27

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

Courtesy DrillingInfo

Texas RRCD 7C

Irion County

Foreland Operating LLC
Lorie 26 #13HB
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 900 fsl, 1060 fwl, Sec 27, Abst. 677; WC RR, 3.75 ne Barnhart; TD 9600; API #42-235-36286 Permit issued 6/20

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Rocker B #145H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 10704 fnl, 6210 fwl, Sec 87, Blk 1, Abst. 619, T&P RR, 15.2 nw Barnhart, TD 9050, API #42-235-36293 Permit issued 6/22

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Rocker B #146H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 10704 fnl, 6255 fwl, Sec 87, Blk 1, Abst. 619, T&P RR, 15.2 nw Barnhart, TD 9050, API #42-235-36289 Permit issued 6/21

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Rocker B #147H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 10704 fnl, 6300 fwl, Sec 87, Blk 1, Abst. 619, T&P RR, 15.2 nw Barnhart, TD 9050; API #42-235-36290 Permit issued 6/21

SEM Operating Company LLC
University 38-40 #1808WB
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 100 fsl, 1999 fel, Sec 7, Blk 40, Abst. 12U, ULS, 4.17 se Barnhart; TD 10000; API #42-235-36287 Permit issued 6/20

SEM Operating Company LLC
University 38-40 #1809WC
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 100 fsl, 1969 fel, Sec 7, Blk 40, Abst. 12U, ULS, 4.17 se Barnhart; TD 10000; API #42-235-36288 Permit issued 6/20

SEM Operating Company LLC
University 38-40 #0208WB
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 245 fnl, 1780 fel, Sec 2, Blk 38, Abst. 2U, ULS, 5.9 se Barnhart; TD 10000; API #42-235-36291 Permit issued 6/21

SEM Operating Company LLC
University 38-40 #0210WB
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 245 fnl, 1750 fel, Sec 2, Blk 38, Abst. 2U, ULS, 5.94 se Barnhart; TD 10000; API #42-235-36292 Permit issued 6/22

Reagan County

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Rock Hollow D #1853SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 300 fnl, 2030 fwl, Sec 185, Blk 1, Abst. 555, T&P RR, 11.3 ne Big Lake; TD 8100; API #42-383-40318 Permit issued 6/21

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Rock Hollow D #1852CS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 300 fnl, 2060 fwl, Sec 185, Blk 1, Abst. 555, T&P RR, 11.3 ne Big Lake; TD 8300; API #42-383-40319 Permit issued 6/21

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Rock Hollow D #1852US
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 300 fnl, 2090 fwl, Sec 185, Blk 1, Abst. 555, T&P RR, 11.3 ne Big Lake; TD 8100; API #42-383-40320 Permit issued 6/21

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Rock Hollow D #1854SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 300 fnl, 2120 fwl, Sec 185, Blk 1, Abst. 555, T&P RR, 11.3 ne Big Lake; TD 8100, API #42-383-40321 Permit issued 6/21

Laredo Petroleum Inc.
SRH E 7-8 (PSA-D) #S 41UB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal, 272 fnl, 2967 fwl, Sec 7, Blk A, Abst. 126, F.C. Edney, 20.5 n Big Lake; TD 9000, API #42-383-40306 Permit issued 6/18

Laredo Petroleum Inc.
SRH E 7-8 (PSA-D) #S 42UE
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal, 272 fnl, 2992 fwl, Sec 7, Blk A, Abst. 126, F.C. Edney, 20.5 n Big Lake; TD 9000, API #42-383-40307 Permit issued 6/18

Laredo Petroleum Inc.
SRH E 7-8 (PSA-E) #S 51UB
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal, 272 fnl, 3017 fwl, Sec 7, Blk A, Abst. 126, F.C. Edney, 20.5 n Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40308 Permit issued 6/18

Laredo Petroleum Inc.
SRH E 7-8 (PSA-E) #S 52UE
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 272 fnl, 3042 fwl, Sec 7, Blk A, Abst. 126, F.C. Edney, 20.5 n Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40310 Permit issued 6/18

Laredo Petroleum Inc.
Sugg -B- #1346SM
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 5012 fnl, 1312 fel, Sec 133, Blk 2, Abst. 637, T&P RR, 25 n Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40313 Permit issued 6/19

Laredo Petroleum Inc.
Sugg -B- #1347MA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 5012 fnl, 1287 fel, Sec 133, Blk 2, Abst. 637, T&P RR, 25 n Big Lake; TD 9000, API #42-383-40314 Permit issued 6/20

Laredo Petroleum Inc.
Sugg -B- #1347MB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 5009 fnl, 543 fel, Sec 133, Blk 2, Abst. 637, T&P RR, 25 n Big Lake; TD 9000, API #42-383-40315 Permit issued 6/20

Laredo Petroleum Inc.
Sugg -B- #1348SM
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 50008 fnl, 518 fel, Sec 133, Blk 2, Abst. 637, T&P RR, 25 n Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40316 Permit issued 6/20

SEM Operating Company LLC
University 9C #0101WC
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 9883 fnl, 815 fwl, Sec 1, Blk 9, Abst. 171U, ULS, 14 nw Big Lake; TD 10000; API #42-383-40309 Permit issued 6/18

SEM Operating Company LLC
University 9C #0103WC
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 9883 fnl, 845 fwl, Sec 1, Blk 9, Abst. 171U, ULS, 14 nw Big Lake; TD 10000; API #42-383-40311 Permit issued 6/21

SEM Operating Company LLC
University 9C #1201WC
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 10169 fsl, 5562 fwl, Sec 12, Blk 9, Abst. 182U, ULS, 13.99 nw Big Lake; TD 10000; API #42-383-40317 Permit issued 6/18

Tom Green County

Banner Operating LLC
Davon 21 #4
Funk (San Andres); 330 fsl, 330 fel, Sec 21, Blk 5, Abst. 695, H&TC RR, 20 nw San Angelo; TD 2000; API #42-451-32879 Permit issued 6/18

Upton County

Summit Petroleum LLC
Emma A #02WC
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 893 fel, 217 fnl, Sec 20, Blk Y, Abst. 641, GC&SF RR, 23.7 sw Midkiff, TD 9800, API #42-461-40913 Permit issued 6/21

Texas RRCD 8

Andrews County

Apache Corp.
Three Bar Shallow Unit #126H
Three Bar (Wichita)-Horizontal; 5717 fnl, 2300 fwl, Sec 17, Blk 11, Abst. 337U, ULS, 19.9 sw Andrews, TD 8000, API #42-003-46668 Permit issued 6/19

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
Fee "CD" #214
Lowe West (Strawn); 990 fsl, 1980 fel, Sec 2, Blk 40, Abst. 107, G&MMB&A, 16.5 se Andrews; TD 11500; API #42-003-47849 Permit issued 6/20

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
Fee "CD" #217
Lowe West (Strawn); 467 fsl, 660 fel, Sec 2, Blk 40, Abst. 107, G&MMB&A, 16.8 se Andrews; TD 11500; API #42-003-47850 Permit issued 6/20

Lime Rock Resources IV-A LP
Stark #3H
Shafter Lake North (San Andres)-Horizontal; 570 fsl, 2265 fwl, Sec 21, Blk A-34, Abst. 467, PSL, 9.8 nw Andrews, TD 5000; API #42-003-47848 Permit issued 6/21

Culberson County

Apache Corporation
Mesquite State Unit #401BH
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 94 fnl, 604 fel, Sec 36, Blk 59, T-6-S, Abst. 3584, T&P RR, 17.8 w Toyah, TD 16000; API #42-109-33353 Permit issued 6/22

Chevron USA Inc.
DR State Wise Unit 1 #0031WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 603 fsl, 1578 fwl, Sec 23, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 2806, T&P RR, 21.23 nw Orla; TD 9000; API #42-109-33351 Permit issued 6/18

Chevron USA Inc.
DR State Wise Unit 1 #0032WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 603 fsl, 1603 fwl, Sec 23, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 2806, T&P RR, 21.23 nw Orla; TD 9000; API #42-109-33352 Permit issued 6/20

Chevron USA Inc.
DR State Wise Unit 1 #0033WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 603 fsl, 1628 fwl, Sec 23, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 2806, T&P RR, 21.23 nw Orla; TD 9000, API #42-109-33354 Permit issued 6/20

Chevron USA Inc.
DR State Wise Unit 1 #0034WA
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 603 fsl, 1653 fwl, Sec 23, Blk 60, T-1, Abst. 2806, T&P RR, 21.23 nw Orla, TD 9000; API #42-109-33355 Permit issued 6/20

Glasscock County

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Martin County

Petrolegacy Energy II LLC
Lady Bird 22-14 #1LS
Wildcat; 300 fsl, 440 fel, Sec 22, Blk 35, T-3-N, Abst. 1042, T&P RR, 6 sw Ackerly; TD 10500; API #42-317-41543 Permit issued 6/22

Texas RRCD 8A

Garza County

The George R. Brown Partnership LP
Half Circle E #1
Wildcat; 1402 fel, 3416 fnl, Sec 3, Blk 3, Abst. 550, J. Hays, 12.7 nw Post; TD 4300; API #42-169-34274 Permit issued 6/18

Motley County

Esco Operating Company LLC
Cogdell #9
Wildcat; 676 fsl, 822 fwl, Sec 66, Blk T, Abst. 1224, A&B, 11 nw Matador; TD 1900; API #42-345-30343 Permit issued 6/21

New Mexico

Lea County

Ascent Energy LLC
Toque State Com #602
Wildcat; Sec 6 T21S R33E; 2546/S & 1285/W; 8 mi SE Halfway; Rot 19079 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44788

Ascent Energy LLC
Toque State Com #701
Wildcat; Sec 6 T21S R33E; 2516/S & 380/W; 8 mi SE Halfway; Rot 29320 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44789

Ascent Energy LLC
Toque State Com #702
Wildcat; Sec 6 T21S R33E; 2546/S & 1225/W; 8 mi SE Halfway; Rot 19160 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44790

Ascent Energy LLC
Toque State Com #703
Wildcat; Sec 6 T21S R33E; 2546/S & 1990/W; 8 mi SE Halfway; Rot 19329 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44791

Ascent Energy LLC
Toque State Com #704
Wildcat; Sec 6 T21S R33E; 2547/S & 2050/W; 8 mi SE Halfway; Rot 19175 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44792

Matador Production Co.
Irvin Wall St Com #111
Wildcat; Sec 32 T23S R35E; 345/S & 660/W; 6 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 14700 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44793

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Oilfield Terminology
Instructor: Tommy Lent
Start Date: September 11-12, 2018 – Tuesday – Wednesday – 8.30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $430; Out of State: $455

Basic Oilfield Operations
Instructor: Albert Garza
Start Date: September 18-19, 2018 — Tuesday — Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $475; Out of State: $500

Managing Sucker Rod Lift Well Failures
Instructor: Albert Garza
Start Date: September 20, 2018 – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $350; Out of State: $375

New Course: LMKR: Geological 3D Modeling with Gverse Geomodeling
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Instructor: John French
Start Date: September 24, 2018 – 8.30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $750

Introduction to Log Interpretation and Quality
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
Start Date: September 24-26, 2018 – Monday – Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $1095; Out of State: $1120

PHDWin
Instructor: Celia Houston
Start Date: September 25-26, 2018 – Tuesday – Wednesday – 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Cost: $625; Out of State: $650

LMKR: New Course: Cleaning Up an Existing Project
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Start Date: September 27, 2018 – Thursday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $900

Introduction to Well Completion Design
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
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COG Operating LLC
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Energen Resources Corporation
Daniel East 10-15 02 #102H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2172 fnl, 1125 fel, Sec 10, Blk 35, T-5-S, Abst. 891, T&P RR, 2.5 nw St. Lawrence; TD 9500; API #42-173-37929 Permit issued 6/20

Energen Resources Corporation
Daniel East 10-15 02 #202H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2172 fnl, 1075 fel, Sec 10, Blk 35, T-5-S, Abst. 891, T&P RR, 2.4 nw St. Lawrence; TD 9500; API #42-173-37935 Permit issued 6/20

Energen Resources Corporation
Daniel East 10-15 01 #201H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2177 fnl, 1955 fel, Sec 10, Blk 35, T-5-S, Abst. 891, T&P RR, 2.5 nw St. Lawrence; TD 9500; API #42-173-37937 Permit issued 6/20

Energen Resources Corporation
SEM West 14-23 01 #102H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 400fsl, 636 fwl, Sec 11, Blk 35, T-5-S, Abst. 365, T&P RR, 1.8 nw St. Lawrence; TD 12000; API #42-173-37932 Permit issued 6/18

Energen Resources Corporation
SEM West 14-23 02 #102H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 601 fsl, 1750 fwl, Sec 11, Blk 35, T-5-S, Abst. 365, T&P RR, 1.8 nw St. Lawrence; TD 12000; API #42-173-37933 Permit issued 6/18

Energen Resources Corporation
SEM West 14-23 02 #1102H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 601 fsl, 1650 fwl, Sec 11, Blk 35, T-5-S, Abst. 365, T&P RR, 1.8 nw St. Lawrence; TD 12000; API #42-173-37934 Permit issued 6/18

Howard County

CrownQuest Operating LLC
WRS Hesperaloe #1HA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 380 fel, 2250 fnl, Sec 37, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 519, T&P RR, 8.9 ne Stanton; TD 10000; API #42-227-39599 Permit issued 6/22

Hannathon Petroleum LLC
Conroe 15-22 East Unit #2WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1120 fel, 2090 fnl, Sec 15, Blk 31, T-1-N, Abst. 87, T&P RR, 4.81 nw Coahoma; TD 9000; API #42-227-39672 Permit issued 6/20

Rover Petroleum Operating LLC
G.O. Chalk #33CF
Howard Glasscock (Consolidated); 200 fnl, 200 fwl, Sec 114, Blk 29, Abst. 1131, W&NW RR, 7 ne Forsan; TD 4300; API #42-227-39673 Permit issued 6/18

Rover Petroleum Operating LLC
G.O. Chalk #35CF
Howard Glasscock (Consolidated); 964 fsl, 200 fwl, Sec 114, Blk 29, Abst. 1131, W&NW RR, 7 ne Forsan; TD 4300; API #42-227-39674 Permit issued 6/18

Sabalo Operating LLC
Ginger 22-27 #1MS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 741 fwl, 499 fnl, Sec 22, Blk 32, T-2-N, Abst. 1058, T&P RR, 6.61 se Vealmoor; TD 9000; API #42-227-39675 Permit issued 6/20

Sabalo Operating LLC
Ginger 22-27 #1SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 761 fwl, 499 fnl, Sec 22, Blk 32, T-2-N, Abst. 1058, T&P RR, 6.61 se Vealmoor; TD 9000; API #42-227-39676 Permit issued 6/20

Sabalo Operating LLC
Ginger 22-27 #2AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 781 fwl, 499 fnl, Sec 22, Blk 32, T-2-N, Abst. 1058, T&P RR, 6.61 se Vealmoor; TD 9000; API #42-227-39677 Permit issued 6/20

Loving County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Hughes & Talbot 75-25 Unit #3H
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 736 fsel, 762 fnel, Sec 12, Blk 75, Abst. 1251, PSL, 17.56 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-33984 Permit issued 6/19

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Seminole State 56-2-24 Unit #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 460 fsl, 950 fel, Sec 13, Blk 56, T-2, Abst. 218, T&P RR, 15.4 nw Mentone; TD 12000; API #42-301-34032 Permit issued 6/20

BTA Oil Producers LLC
Pistol 21801 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 530 fnwl, 2778 fnel, Sec 90, Blk 33, Abst. 1370, H&TC RR, 5 nw Mentone; TD 11000; API #42-301-34074 Permit issued 6/22

BTA Oil Producers LLC
Pistol 21801 #2H
Two Georges (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 560 fnwl, 2777 fnel, Sec 90, Blk 33, Abst. 1370, H&TC RR, 5 nw Mentone; TD 9720; API #42-301-34075 Permit issued 6/22

EOG Resources Inc.
Wrangler B Unit #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 536 fsl, 344 fel, Sec 35, Blk 76, Abst. 881, PSL, 17.2 ne Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-301-33912 Permit issued 6/21

RSP Permian LLC
Ludeman 2512-A #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 407 fsl, 340 fel, Sec 12, Blk C-25, Abst. 1208, PSL, 19 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-34065 Permit issued 6/21

RSP Permian LLC
Ludeman 2512-B #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 407 fsl, 380 fel, Sec 12, Blk C-25, Abst. 1208, PSL, 19 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-34066 Permit issued 6/21

RSP Permian LLC
Ludeman 2512-C #3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 342 fsl, 780 fel, Sec 12, Blk C-25, Abst. 1208, PSL, 19 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-34067 Permit issued 6/21

RSP Permian LLC
Ludeman 2512-D #4H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 342 fsl, 820 fel, Sec 12, Blk C-25, Abst. 1208, PSL, 19 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-34068 Permit issued 6/21

RSP Permian LLC
Ludeman 2512-E #5H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 342 fsl, 1300 fel, Sec 12, Blk C-25, Abst. 1208, PSL, 19 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-34069 Permit issued 6/21

RSP Permian LLC
Ludeman 2512-F #6H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 342 fsl, 1340 fel, Sec 12, Blk C-25, Abst. 1208, PSL, 19 ne Mentone; TD 13000; API #42-301-34070 Permit issued 6/21

WPX Energy Permian LLC
Boyd 21 #331H
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 315 fsl, 1961 fwl, Sec 21, Blk 29, Abst. 1350, PSL, 9.2 ne Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-34071 Permit issued 6/20

WPX Energy Permian LLC
Boyd 21 #431H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 290 fsl, 1961 fwl, Sec 21, Blk 29, Abst. 1350, PSL, 9.2 ne Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-34072 Permit issued 6/20

Martin County

CrownQuest Operating LLC
WRS Hesperaloe #2AA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1290 fel, 2250 fnl, Sec 37, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 544, T&P RR, 8.9 ne Stanton; TD 10000; API #42-317-39418 Permit issued 6/22

CrownQuest Operating LLC
WRS Hesperaloe F #4AA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2250 fnl, 1350 fel, Sec 37, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 544, T&P RR, 8.29 ne Stanton; TD 10000; API #42-317-39419 Permit issued 6/22

Energen Resources Corporation
Parker Farms NS 25-28 01 #501H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 440 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. 77, T&P RR, 7 ne Lenorah; TD 12000; API #42-317-41538 Permit issued 6/21

Energen Resources Corporation
Parker Farms NS 25-28 01 #101H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 540 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. 77, T&P RR, 7 ne Lenorah; TD 12000; API #42-317-41537 Permit issued 6/21

Energen Resources Corporation
Parker Farms NS 25-28 01 #201H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 490 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. 77, T&P RR, 7 ne Lenorah; TD 12000; API #42-317-41529 Permit issued 6/21

Energen Resources Corporation
Parker Farms NS 25-28 02 #202H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 1090 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. 77, T&P RR, 7 ne Lenorah; TD 12000; API #42-317-41535 Permit issued 6/21

Energen Resources Corporation
Parker Farms NS 25-28 02 #102H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 1500 fel, Sec 25, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. 77, T&P RR, 7 ne Lenorah; TD 12000; API #42-317-41539 Permit issued 6/21

Energen Resources Corporation
Parker Farms NS 25-28 02 #502H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 1040 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. 77, T&P RR, 7 ne Lenorah; TD 12000; API #42-317-41540 Permit issued 6/21

Energen Resources Corporation
Parker Farms NS 25-28 03 #203H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 950 fel, Sec 25, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. 77, T&P RR, 7 ne Lenorah; TD 12000; API #42-317-41536 Permit issued 6/21

Energen Resources Corporation
Parker Farms NS 25-28 03 #103H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 900 fel, Sec 25, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. 77, T&P RR, 7 ne Lenorah; TD 12000; API #42-317-41541 Permit issued 6/21

Petrolegacy Energy II LLC
Thirsty Goat 27-32 #1WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 500 fnl, 980 fel, Sec 27, Blk 35, Abst. 97, T&P RR, 7 sw Ackerly; TD 10500; API #42-317-41521 Permit issued 6/20

Petrolegacy Energy II LLC
Thirsty Goat 27-32 #1WB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 500 fnl, 950 fel, Sec 27, Blk 35, Abst. 97, T&P RR, 7 sw Ackerly; TD 10500; API #42-317-41522 Permit issued 6/20

Petrolegacy Energy II LLC
Lady Bird 22-14 #1WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 300 fsl, 395 fel, Sec 22, Blk 35, T-3-N, Abst. 1042, T&P RR, 6 sw Ackerly; TD 10500; API #42-317-41544 Permit issued 6/22

Petrolegacy Energy II LLC
Lady Bird 22-14 #1WB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 300 fsl, 350 fel, Sec 22, Blk 35, T-3-N, Abst. 1042, T&P RR, 6 sw Ackerly; TD 10500; API #42-317-41545 Permit issued 6/22

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Meek-Hardin 3A #1H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 365 fnl, 1156 fel, Sec 3, Blk 35, T-1-S, Abst. 107, T&P RR, 5.3 ne Stanton; TD 11230; API #42-317-41464 Permit issued 6/20

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Meek-Clinton 3B #2H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 365 fnl, 1111 fel, Sec 3, Blk 35, T-1-S, Abst. 107, T&P RR, 5.3 ne Stanton; TD 11230; API #42-317-41470

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Meek-Elrod 3A #1H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 663 fsl, 1213 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 35, T-1-S, Abst. 107, T&P RR, 5.3 ne Stanton; TD 11230; API #42-317-41465 Permit issued 6/18

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Meek-Elrod 3B #2H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 669 fsl, 1242 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 35, T-1-S, Abst. 107, T&P RR, 5.3 ne Stanton; TD 11230; API #42-317-41467 Permit issued 6/18

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Meek-Elrod 3C #3H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 675 fsl, 1271 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 35, T-1-S, Abst. 107, T&P RR, 5.3 ne Stanton; TD 11230; API #42-317-41468 Permit issued 6/18

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Meek-Elrod 3D #4H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 682 fsl, 1301 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 35, T-1-S, Abst. 107, T&P RR, 5.3 ne Stanton; TD 11230; API #42-317-41469 Permit issued 6/18

QEP Energy Company
UL 2631 #06WD
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 294 fsl, 268 fwl, Sec 31, Blk 7, Abst. 31U, ULS, 20.7 ne Andrews; TD 10800, API #42-317-41517 Permit issued 6/18

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #101H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 180 fel, Sec 3, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 301, T&P RR, 21 e Stanton; TD 12000, API #42-317-41525 Permit issued 6/20

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #102H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 150 fel, Sec 3, Blk 39, Abst. 301, T&P RR, 21 w Stanton; TD 12000, API #42-317-41527 Permit issued 6/21

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #103H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 120 fel, Sec 3, Blk 39, Abst. 301, T&P RR, 21 w Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41528 Permit issued 6/22

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #104H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 90 fel, Sec 3, Blk 39, Abst. 301, T&P RR, 21 w Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41530 Permit issued 6/21

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #201H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 340 fwl, Sec 2, Blk 39, Abst. 724, T&P RR, 21 w Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41531 Permit issued 6/20

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #202H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 370 fwl, Sec 2, Blk 39, Abst. 724, T&P RR, 21 w Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41532 Permit issued 6/20

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #203H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 400 fwl, Sec 2, Blk 39, Abst. 724, T&P RR, 21 w Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41533 Permit issued 6/20

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #204H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 430 fwl, Sec 2, Blk 39, Abst. 724, T&P RR, 21 w Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41534 Permit issued 6/20

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #302H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 890 fwl, Sec 2, Blk 39, Abst. 724, T&P RR, 21 e Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41548 Permit issued 6/22

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #304H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 950 fwl, Sec 2, Blk 39, Abst. 724, T&P RR, 21 w Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41550 Permit issued 6/22

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #301H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 860 fwl, Sec 2, Blk 39, Abst. 724, T&P RR, 21 e Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41546 Permit issued 6/22

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #401H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 2070 fwl, Sec 2, Blk 39, Abst. 724, T&P RR, 21 w Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41547 Permit issued 6/22

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #402H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 2100 fwl, Sec 2, Blk 39, Abst. 724, T&P RR, 21 w Stanton; TD 12000, API #42-317-41551 Permit issued 6/22

RSP Permian LLC
Ted Johnson #404H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 225 fnl, 2160 fwl, Sec 2, Blk 39, Abst. 724, T&P RR, 21 w Stanton; TD 12000; API #42-317-41553 Permit issued 6/22

XTO Energy Inc.
Merrick Unit 2 #1117AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 940 fel, 340 fsl, Sec 4, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. 876, T&P RR, 5.4 ne Lenorah; TD 8999; API #42-317-41518 Permit issued 6/19

XTO Energy Inc.
Merrick Unit 2 #1106BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1041 fel, 340 fsl, Sec 4, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. 876, T&P RR, 5.4 ne Lenorah, TD 9174; API #42-317-41520 Permit issued 6/19

XTO Energy Inc.
Merrick Unit 2 #1126SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1008 fwl, 326 fsl, Sec 4, Blk 35, T-2-N, Abst. 876, T&P RR, 5.4 ne Lenorah, TD 8509; API #42-317-41523 Permit issued 6/19

Midland County

Chevron USA Inc.
C. Scharbauer #0061LS
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 1313 fsl, 1632 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 40, T-2-S, Abst. 1115, T&P RR, 3.3 se Midland, TD 9700; API #42-329-42636 Permit issued 6/20

Chevron USA Inc.
C. Scharbauer #0062LS
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 1313 fsl, 1657 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 40, T-2-S, Abst. 1115, T&P RR, 3.3 se Midland, TD 9700; API #42-329-42637 Permit issued 6/20

Chevron USA Inc.
C. Scharbauer #0063LS
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 1313 fsl, 1682 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 40, T-2-S, Abst. 1115, T&P RR, 3.3 se Midland, TD 9700; API #42-329-42638 Permit issued 6/20

Chevron USA Inc.
C. Scharbauer #0064LS
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 1313 fsl, 1707 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 40, T-2-S, Abst. 1115, T&P RR, 3.3 se Midland, TD 9700; API #42-329-42639 Permit issued 6/20

Chevron USA Inc.
C. Scharbauer #0065LS
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 1313 fsl, 1732 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 40, T-2-S, Abst. 1115, T&P RR, 3.3 se Midland, TD 9700; API #42-329-42640 Permit issued 6/20

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
WTH 10-3 C #231
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 583 fnl, 267 fel, Sec 15, Blk 37, T-3-S, Abst. 133, T&P RR, 16.1 se Midland, TD 11000; API #42-329-42603 Permit issued 6/18

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
WTH 10-3 D #242
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 339 fnl, 2526 fwl, Sec 15, Blk 37, T-3-S, Abst. 133, T&P RR, 16.1 se Midland; TD 11000; API #42-329-42624 Permit issued 6/22

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
WTH 10-3 D #241
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 339 fnl, 2501 fwl, Sec 15, Blk 37, T-3-S, Abst. 133, T&P RR, 16.1 se Midland; TD 11000; API #42-329-42625 Permit issued 6/22

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Rio San Gabriel 28-29 Unit 2 #183
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 475 fsl, 848 fwl, Sec 17, Blk 39, Abst. 203, T&P RR, 13.2 s Midland; TD 11000; API #42-329-42642 Permit issued 6/21

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Cunningham 37B #2H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1146 fel, 600 fnl, Sec 37, Blk 38, Abst. 105, T&P RR, 16.5 se Midland; TD 10330; API #42-329-42483 Permit issued 6/21

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Cunningham 37C #3H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1101 fel, 600 fnl, Sec 37, Blk 38, Abst. 105, T&P RR, 16.5 se Midland; TD 10330; API #42-329-42484 Permit issued 6/21

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Cunningham 37G #7H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1226 fel, 770 fnl, Sec 37, Blk 38, Abst. 105, T&P RR, 16.5 se Midland; TD 10330; API #42-329-42491 Permit issued 6/21

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Cunningham 37H #8H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1206 fel, 770 fnl, Sec 37, Blk 38, Abst. 105, T&P RR, 16.5 se Midland; TD 10330; API #42-329-42492 Permit issued 6/21

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Cunningham 37I #9H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1186 fel, 770 fnl, Sec 37, Blk 38, Abst. 105, T&P RR, 16.5 se Midland; TD 10330; API #42-329-42493 Permit issued 6/21

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Donald L. Hutt "C" #2118H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1420 fel, 14777 fnl, Sec 21, Blk 38, Abst. 97, T&P RR, 14.1 sw Midland; TD 10560; API #42-329-42535 Permit issued 6/22

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Donald L. Hutt "C" #2119H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1375 fel, 14777 fnl, Sec 21, Blk 38, Abst. 97, T&P RR, 14.1 sw Midland; TD 10560; API #42-329-42536 Permit issued 6/22

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Germania E5V #122H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 719 fsl, 1178 fwl, Sec 5, Blk 36, T-2-S, Abst. 487, T&P RR, 15.3 e Midland; TD 9500; API #42-329-42644 Permit issued 6/22

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Germania E5W #123H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 722 fsl, 1198 fwl, Sec 5, Blk 36, T-2-S, Abst. 487, T&P RR, 15.3 e Midland; TD 9500; API #42-329-42645 Permit issued 6/22

Pecos County

Halcon Operating Co. Inc.
Maxwell-Natalie East #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 550 fsl, 304 fel, Sec 28, Blk 48, Abst. 8364, T&P RR, 16 nw Fort Stockton, TD 10200; API #42-371-39762 Permit issued 6/21

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Trees State 52-53-D #4107H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 485 fsl, 2640 fwl, Sec 49, Blk 8, Abst. 218, H&GN RR, 5 ne Coyanosa; TD 10400; API #42-371-39763 Permit issued 6/22

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Trees State 52-53-E#4309H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 457 fsl, 2632 fel, Sec 49, Blk 8, Abst. 218, H&GN RR, 5 ne Coyanosa; TD 10600; API #42-371-39764 Permit issued 6/22

Parsley Energy Operations LLC
Trees State 52-53-F #4111H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 435 fsl, 2620 fel, Sec 49, Blk 8, Abst. 218, H&GN RR, 5 ne Coyanosa; TD 10400; API #42-371-39765 Permit issued 6/22

Presidio County

Helios Operating LLC
Presidio I&I #1412
Riata (Road Canyon); 1196 fnl, 2299 fel, Sec 141, Blk 2, Abst. 2781, D&P RR, 46.75 nw Marfa; TD 5500; API #42-377-30611 Permit issued 6/22

Helios Operating LLC
Presidio I&I #1471
Riata (Road Canyon); 467 fnl, 546 fel, Sec 147, Blk 2, Abst. 2784, D&P RR, 46.75 nw Marfa; TD 7000; API #42-377-30602 Permit issued 6/22

Reeves County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Winghead State 57-2-48 Unit B #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 2240 fsl, 2490 fel, Sec 48, Blk 57, T-2, Abst. 2218, T&P RR, 19.29 nw Mentone, TD 11500; API #42-389-34680 Permit issued 6/22

Apache Corp.
Redwood #102BH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 186 fsl, 1748 fel, Sec 41, Blk 71, Abst. 1689, PSL, 11.5 w Toyah; TD 16000; API #42-389-37273 Permit issued 6/18

Apache Corp.
Redwood #103CH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 186 fsl, 1778 fel,

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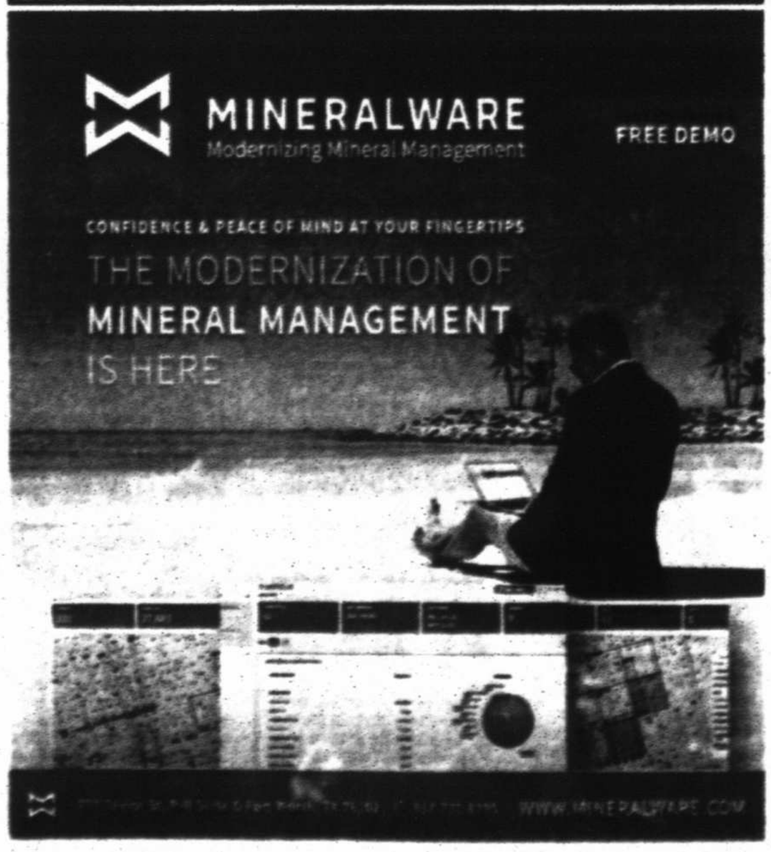

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

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Sec 41, Blk 71, Abst. 1689, PSL, 11.5 w Toyah; TD 16000; API #42-389-37274 Permit issued 6/18

Apache Corp.
Redwood #104BH
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal, 186 fsl, 1808 fel, Sec 41, Blk 71, Abst. 1689, PSL, 11.5 w Toyah; TD 16000; API #42-389-37275 Permit issued 6/18

Apache Corp.
Jackson #404BR
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 445 fnl, 1185 fel, Sec 37, Blk 56, T-3, Abst. 895, T&P RR, 11.9 s Orla; TD 16000; API #42-389-37285 Permit issued 6/22

APR Operating LLC
Oatman State Unit 11-14 #8H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 2240 fnl, 330 fel, Sec 11, Blk 53, Abst. 4336, PSL, 32 nw Pecos; TD 12000; API #42-389-37284 Permit issued 6/21

Centennial Resource Production LLC
Highlander #U 49H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 2240 fnl, 330 fel, Sec 15, Blk C-8, Abst. 1291, PSL, 12.1 sw Pecos; TD 10900; API #42-389-37173 Permit issued 6/20

Colgate Operating LLC
Iwo Jima 14-26 Unit #1H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 290 fnl, 330 fel, Sec 21, Blk C-8, Abst. 1726, PSL, 11.8 sw Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-37270 Permit issued 6/20

Halcon Operating Co. Inc.
Bailey #4H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 1395 fwl, 240 fsl, Sec 3, Blk 50, T-9-S, Abst. 2718, T&P RR, 27.4 s Pecos; TD 10200; API #42-37286 Permit issued 6/20

Jetta Permian LP
Pipeline State Unit 58 10-03 #1H
Ford West (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 210 fsl, 880 fel, Sec 10, Blk 58, Abst. 5490, PSL, 11.75 nw Toyah; TD 10000; API #42-389-37243 Permit issued 6/19

Luxe Operating LLC
Noahs Mill 19-20W Unit #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 374 fnl, 377 fwl, Sec 14, Blk C-9, Abst. 2365, PSL, 11.2 sw Pecos; TD 12000; API #42-389-37264 Permit issued 6/18

MDC Texas Operator LLC
Whirlaway 24 #3H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 220 fsl, 826 fnwl, Sec 24, Blk C-9, Abst. 5468, PSL, 5.17 sw Lindsay; TD 15000; API #42-389-37295 Permit issued 6/22

MDC Texas Operator LLC
California Chrome 27 #7H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 270 fnl, 1428 fwl, Sec 27, Blk C-8, Abst. 3624, PSL, 7.61 e Toyah; TD 10300; API #42-389-37290 Permit issued 6/22

MDC Texas Operator LLC
California Chrome 27 #9H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal, 270 fnl, 1348 fwl, Sec 27, Blk C-8, Abst. 3624, PSL, 7.61 e Toyah; TD 10300; API #42-389-37300 Permit issued 6/22

NBL Permian LLC
Carolina Reaper State Unit B-1 #11H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 420 fel, 330 fnl, Sec 13, Blk 52, T-8-S, Abst. 4512, T&P RR, 18.4 s Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37288 Permit issued 6/20

NBL Permian LLC
Carolina Reaper State Unit B-2 #12HL
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 390 fel, 330 fnl, Sec 13, Blk 52, T-8-S, Abst. 4512, T&P RR, 18.4 s Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37287 Permit issued 6/20

NBL Permian LLC
John J Bush 218-219 Unit A #11HL
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 733 fel, 395 fsl, Sec 245, Blk 13, Abst. 510, H&GN RR, 22 sw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-329-37293 Permit issued 6/21

NBL Permian LLC
John J Bush 218-219 Unit A #12H
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 703 fel, 395 fsl, Sec 245, Blk 13, Abst. 510, H&GN RR, 22 sw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-329-37294 Permit issued 6/21

Oxy USA Inc.
Collie A West #N 12H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 155 fsl, 1192 fel, Sec 1, Blk 5, Abst. 422, H&GN RR, 2.9 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37272 Permit issued 6/18

Oxy USA Inc.
Collie A East #N 82H
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 155 fsl, 182 fwl, Sec 1, Blk 5, Abst. 422, H&GN RR, 2.9 se Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-37276 Permit issued 6/19

Resolute Natural Resources Co. LLC
NSM #U 08H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 2616 fnwl, 399 fnel, Sec 22, Blk 2, Abst. 1813, H&GN RR, 15.64 e Orla; TD 11300; API #42-389-37277 Permit issued 6/20

Resolute Natural Resources Co. LLC
NSM #B108SL
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 2620 fsel, 399 fnel, Sec 22, Blk 2, Abst. 1813, H&GN RR, 15.64 e Orla; TD 11500; API #42-389-37278 Permit issued 6/20

Resolute Natural Resources Co. LLC
South Mitre 2 Unit #U 02H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal, 2125 fsel, 400 fnel, Sec 22, Blk 2, Abst. 1813, H&GN RR, 15.73 e Orla; TD 11300; API #42-389-37280 Permit issued 6/20

Resolute Natural Resources Co. LLC
South Mitre 2 Unit #B102SL
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 2145 fsel, 400 fnel, Sec 22, Blk 2, Abst. 1813, H&GN RR, 15.73 e Orla; TD 11500; API #42-389-37281 Permit issued 6/20

Upcurve Energy LLC
Brennand 16 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 210 fsl, 1140 fel, Sec 16, Blk C-8, Abst. 4657, PSL, 8.86 se Toyah; TD 11000; API #42-389-37262 Permit issued 6/21

Upcurve Energy LLC
Brennand 16 #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 210 fsl, 1170 fel, Sec 16, Blk C-8, Abst. 4657, PSL, 8.86 se Toyah; TD 11000; API #42-389-37263 Permit issued 6/20

Upcurve Energy LLC
Navarette 22 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 1300 fnl, 150 fel, Sec 22, Blk C-8, Abst. 5555, PSL, 10.04 se Toyah; TD 11000; API #42-389-37271 Permit issued 6/18

Ward County

CBP Operating LLC
Shipley Queen Sand Unit #1216
Shipley (Queen Sand); 5999 fnwl, 3969 fswl, Sec 16, Blk 5, Abst. 1253, H&TC RR, 3.25 n Grandfalls; TD 3050; API #42-475-36987 Permit issued 6/20

Energen Resources Corporation
Monroe 34-116 #603H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 266 fswl, 1152 fsel, Sec 116, Blk 34, Abst. 1356, H&TC RR, 6.7 sw Pyote; TD 12500; API #42-475-37587 Permit issued 6/20

Oasis Petroleum Permian LLC
UL Chugwater A 18-8-7 #5201H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 348 fel, 233 fnl, Sec 8, Blk 18, Abst. 87U, ULS, 8.1 sw Wink; TD 12500; API #42-475-37595 Permit issued 6/22

Winkler County

Champion Lone Star Operating LLC
CLS Walton #0415NW
Kermit; 658 fwl, 4662 fsl, Sec 15, Blk B-3, Abst. 1855, PSL, 4 nw Kermit; TD 3700; API #42-495-34180 Permit issued 6/21

Impetro Operating LLC
Tiger #1H
Sandbar (Bone Spring)-Horizontal; 2421 fsl, 993 fel, Sec 24, Blk C-23, Abst. 1393, PSL, 13 nw Kermit; TD 13000; API #42-495-34177 Permit issued 6/18

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Borden County

Surge Operating LLC
Leviathan Unit B 29-20 #6AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 447 fsel, 990 fnel, Sec 29, Blk 31, T-3-N, Abst. 230, T&P RR, 8.1 ne Vealmoor; TD 10000; API #42-033-32475 Permit issued 6/22

Dawson County

Halvey Energy LLC
Crossland #1
Adcock West (Spraberry), 1048 fnl, 330 fwl, Sec 17, Blk 33, T-7-N, Abst. 220, HE&WT RR, 1.5 se O'Donnell; TD 8000; API #42-115-33775 Permit issued 6/22

Garza County

Palmer Oil Properties
Swenson "A" #11
Post (Glorieta); 1313 fwl, 480 fnl, Sec 3, Blk 8, Abst. 113, H&GN RR, 9.5 e Post; TD 3100; API #42-169-34278 Permit issued 6/20

The George R. Brown Partnership LP
Basinger-Long Unit #20BA
Buenos-Directional; 2316 fwl, 2337 fsl, Sec 4, Blk D-18, Abst. 894, D&SE RR, 4 se Southland; TD 3900; API #42-169-34276 Permit issued 6/19

The George R. Brown Partnership LP
Basinger-Long Unit #22 L
Buenos, 1680 fel, 2095 fnl, Sec 1305, Abst. 289, BS&F RR, 4 se Southland; TD 3800; API #42-169-34275 Permit issued 6/19

The George R. Brown Partnership LP
Basinger-Long Unit #H 19BA
Buenos-Horizontal, 606 fel, 1095 fsl, Sec 4, Blk D-18, Abst. 894, D&SE RR, 4 se Southland; TD 3522 API #42-169-34277 Permit issued 6/21

Hockley County

Canan Mowtey Operating LLC
Spade M #1
R&A (Clearfork); 3364 fwl, 371 fnl, Sec 16, Abst. 13, Howard CSL, 2.7 sw Smyer; TD 7200; API #42-219-37442 Permit issued 6/21

Occidental Permian Ltd.
Levelland Unit #1244H
Levelland-Horizontal; 3160 fnl, 3516 fel, Sec 733, Abst. 227, A. Taylor, 1.8 n Levelland; TD 5500; API #42-219-37443 Permit issued 6/21

Oxy USA Inc.
West Sundown Unit #233
Slaughter-Directional; 2505 fwl, 5006 fsl, Sec 39, Abst. 171, Maverick CSL, 2.2 ne Sundown; TD 5700; API #42-219-37429 Permit issued 6/22

Yoakum County

Riley Permian Operating Co. LLC
Cleveland A 601 #3H
Platang (San Andres)-Horizontal, 286 fsl, 2456 fwl, Sec 580, Blk D, Abst. 476, J.H. Gibson, 9.63 sw Plains; TD 9000; API #42-501-37015 Permit issued 6/20

New Mexico

Chaves County

Mack Energy Corp.
Saskatoon Fed Com #1
Round Tank; Sec 18 T15S R29E, 960/S & 1675/E, 18 mi NE Lake Arthur; Rot 9010 San Andres; API #30-005-64313

Eddy County

Chisholm Energy Operating LLC
Black River 3 10 Federal Com WCA #2
Purple Sage; Sec 3 T24S R26E, 250/N & 2320/W; 4 mi NW Black River; Rot 19531 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44969

Chisholm Energy Operating LLC
Black River 3 10 Federal Com WCA #3
Purple Sage; Sec 3 T24S R26E, 150/N & 2380/W; 4 mi NW Black River; Rot 19138 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44970

Chisholm Energy Operating LLC
Black River 3 10 Federal Com WCA #4
Purple Sage; Sec 3 T24S R26E; 150/N & 2440/W; 4 mi NW Black River; Rot 18375 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44971

Mewbourne Oil Co.
South Loving 2 11 WOCF St #1
Purple Sage; Sec 2 T24S R27E, 360/N & 2030/W; 4 mi SW Loving; Rot 18625 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44967

Matador Production Co.
Brantley St Com 13 24 27 RB #222
Purple Sage; Sec 13 T24S R27E, 2029/N & 235/E, 4 1/2 mi W Malaga; Rot 15170 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44973

Chevron USA Inc.
CB SE 5 32 Fed Com #3
Purple Sage; Sec 5 T24S R29E, 295/S & 1542/W, 3 mi NE Malaga; Rot 20253 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44974

Chevron USA Inc.
CB SA 5 32 Fed Com #2
Purple Sage; Sec 5 T24S R29E, 295/S & 1567/W, 3 mi NE Malaga; Rot 20278 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44975

Chevron USA Inc.
CB SE 5 32 Fed Com #3
Purple Sage; Sec 5 T24S R29E, 295/S & 1592/W, 3 mi NE Malaga; Rot 20309 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44976

Tap Rock Operating LLC
Double Diamond Fed #224
Purple Sage; Sec 14 T24S R31E, 305/S & 865/E; 19 mi E Malaga; Rot 27296 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44979

Tap Rock Operating LLC
Double Diamond Fed #228
Purple Sage; Sec 14 T24S R31E, 205/S & 910/E; 19 mi E Malaga; Rot 17334 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44980

Oxy USA Inc.
Sunrise MDP1 8 5 Fed Com #172
Purple Sage; Sec 17 T24S R31E; 194/N & 1579/W; 15 1/2 mi E Malaga; Rot 21756 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44977

COG Operating LLC
MYOX 21 State Com #58
Purple Sage; Sec 21 T25S R28E; 595/S & 840/E; 7 1/2 mi SW Malaga; Rot 20179 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44968

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Oxbow 26 25 WODA Fed #2
Purple Sage; Sec 26 T25S R28E; 490/N & 365/W, 8 1/2 mi S Malaga; Rot 20376 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44972

Lea County

V-F Petroleum Inc.
Getty 1 State #221
NE Grama Ridge; Sec 1 T22S R34E; 330/S & 930/W, 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 14832 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44794

V-F Petroleum Inc.
Getty 1 State #222
NE Grama Ridge; Sec 1 T22S R34E; 330/S & 2250/W, 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 14832 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44795

V-F Petroleum Inc.
Getty 1 State #223
NE Grama Ridge; Sec 1 T22S R34E; 330/S & 1710/E, 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 14804 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44796

V-F Petroleum Inc.
Getty 1 State #224
NE Grama Ridge; Sec 1 T22S R34E; 330/S & 390/E, 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 14799 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44797

V-F Petroleum Inc.
Getty 1 State #232
NE Grama Ridge; Sec 1 T22S R34E, 330/S & 1650/W, 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 15670 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44798

V-F Petroleum Inc.
Getty 1 State #233
NE Grama Ridge; Sec 1 T22S R34E, 330/S & 2310/E, 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 15659 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44799

V-F Petroleum Inc.
Getty 1 State #234
NE Grama Ridge; Sec 1 T22S R34E, 330/S & 990/E, 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 15655 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44800

V-F Petroleum Inc.
Getty 1 State #321
NE Grama Ridge; Sec 1 T22S R34E, 330/S & 990/W, 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 15816 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44801

V-F Petroleum Inc.
Getty 1 State #323
NE Grama Ridge; Sec 1 T22S R34E; 330/S & 1650/E, 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 15795 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44802

V-F Petroleum Inc.
Getty 1 State #324
NE Grama Ridge; Sec 1 T22S R34E; 330/S & 330/E; 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 15778 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44803

V-F Petroleum Inc.
Getty 1 State #331
NE Grama Ridge; Sec 1 T22S R34E; 330/S & 390/W; 11 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 16042 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44804

Mewbourne Oil Co.
EL Mar 21 W2NC Fed #5
Salado Draw; Sec 21 T26S R33E; 215/S & 2510/W; 14 mi SW Malaga; Rot 17775 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44750

EOG Resources Inc.
Peachtree 24 Fed Com #705
Sanders Tank; Sec 24 T26S R33E; 268/S & 2321/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 22725 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44751

EOG Resources Inc.
Peachtree 24 Fed Com #706
Sanders Tank; Sec 24 T26S R33E; 268/S & 2286/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 22693 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44752

EOG Resources Inc.
Peachtree 24 Fed Com #707
Sanders Tank; Sec 24 T26S R33E, 268/S & 2251/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 22681 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44756

EOG Resources Inc.
Peachtree 24 Fed Com #708
Sanders Tank; Sec 24 T26S R33E, 268/S & 821/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 22673 Wolfcamp, API #30-025-44755

EOG Resources Inc.
Peachtree 24 Fed Com #709
Sanders Tank; Sec 24 T26S R33E, 268/S & 786/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 22639 Wolfcamp, API #30-025-44753

EOG Resources Inc.
Peachtree 24 Fed #710
Sanders Tank; Sec 24 T26S R33E, 268/S & 751/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 22632 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44754

EOG Resources Inc.
Philly 31 Fed Com #701
Sanders Tank; Sec 31 T26S R34E, 290/S & 595/W, 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 19995 Wolfcamp, API #30-025-44762

EOG Resources Inc.
Philly 31 Fed Com #702
Sanders Tank; Sec 31 T26S R34E, 290/S & 630/W, 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 19992 Wolfcamp, API #30-025-44767

EOG Resources Inc.
Philly 31 Fed Com #703
Sanders Tank; Sec 31 T26S R34E, 290/S & 2030/W, 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 20038 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44768

EOG Resources Inc.
Philly 31 Fed Com #704
Sanders Tank; Sec 31 T26S R34E, 290/S & 2065/W, 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 20013 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44769

EOG Resources Inc.
Philly 31 Fed Com #706
Sanders Tank; Sec 31 T26S R34E, 290/S & 1790/E, 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 20034 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44763

EOG Resources Inc.
Philly 31 Fed Com #707
Sanders Tank; Sec 31 T26S R34E, 290/S & 1755/E, 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 20017 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44764

EOG Resources Inc.
Philly 31 Fed Com #708
Sanders Tank; Sec 31 T26S R34E, 290/S & 568/E, 13 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 20015 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44765

COMPLETIONS

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Coke County

Bosz Energy II Operating LLC
R.E. Hickman #513
Bronte (4800 Sand); 1097 fnwl, 325 fnwl, Sec 5, Abst. 62, C&M RR, 2 w Bronte; TD 5530; Comp 5/24/2018, producing from 5220-5240; pump 8 BO, 15 MCF, 464 BW, 39 Oil Gravity; API #42-081-32078

Upton County

Hunt Oil Company
University 1-12 30 #103HB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2290 fwl, 9873 fnl, Sec 36, Blk 3, Abst. 36U, ULS, 4.69 se Rankin; TD 8397 TVD, 19433 MD; Comp 6/5/2018; producing from 9009-19259, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; gas lift 407 BO, 270 MCF, 1134 BW on 64/64 inch choke, FTP 350 psi, 39.8 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-40723

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Andrews County

Citation Oil & Gas Corp.
Elizabeth M. Armstrong et al #8
Block A-34 (San Andres); 2320 fwl, 990 fnl, Sec 18, Blk A-34, Abst. 1952, PSL, 11.8 nw Andrews; TD 4915; Comp 5/28/2018; producing from 4583-4743, treated with acid, pump 169 BO, 12 MCF, 324 BW, 32.3 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-47683

Midland County

COG Operating LLC
Parks Field Unit 2 #1456LH
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 1205 fnl, 290 fel, Sec 4, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 1375, T&P RR, 12.5 sw Midland; TD 8981 TVD, 20994 MD; Comp 5/22/2018; producing from 10078-20475, fracture stimulated; pump 1567 BO, 876 MCF, 1382 BW, 41.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-41608

COG Operating LLC
Parks Field Unit 2 #1456CH
Parks (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 1205 fnl, 335 fel, Sec 4, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 1375, T&P RR, 12.5 sw Midland; TD 9730 TVD, 21375 MD; Comp 5/28/2018; producing from 10640-21200, fracture stimulated; pump 1619 BO, 866 MCF, 1384 BW, 41.3 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-41609

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Lubbock County

Juno Operating Company III LLC
Melcher #836
Hoagie (Clearfork); 335 fsl, 980 fel, Sec 8, Blk D-19, Abst. 1079, D&SE RR, 7.1 ne Slaton; TD 4563; Comp 6/12/2018; producing from 4452-4472, fracture stimulated; pump 2 BO, 111 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-303-31613

Juno Operating Company III LLC
Harvey Hancock #857
Hoagie (Clearfork); 341 fsl, 341 fwl, Sec 8, Blk D-19, Abst. 1079, D&SE RR, 6.8 ne Slaton; TD 5000; Comp 5/29/2018; producing from 4418-4457, fracture stimulated; pump 9 BO, 38 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-303-31615

Scurry County

Kinder Morgan Production Co. LLC
SACROC Unit #72A-6A
Kelly-Snyder; 15833 fsl, 3958 fel, Sec 177, Blk 3, Abst. 71, H&GN RR, 3.93 nw Snyder; TD 7200; Comp 5/24/2018; producing from 6753-6933, treated with acid; pump 49 BO, 22 MCF, 1530 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-415-35375

New Mexico

Eddy County

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP
Falcon 3 A Federal #40
NE Red Lake; Sec 3 T18S R27E; 1175/N & 250/E. BHL: 962/N & 350/E; EL 3562 GL, TD 4882 MD, 4869 TVD, PBTD 4820 MD, 4768 TVD; Spud 2-21-18, Comp 4-3-18; production is through treated perfs: 3200-3508, 3588-4031, 4110-4431, 4586-4721. Treat: 6000 gals 15% HCL, Frac w/120,235# 100 mesh & 129860# 30/50 sd in slick wtr. IP: 4-5-18 Pump 24 hrs 196 BO, 1277 BW, 98 MCF, GOR 495, Cog: 8 5/8 @ 360 w/300 sx, 5 ½ @ 4980 w/900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 3632; API #30-015-43754

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Cypress Fee 23 27 9 #8
Purple Sage; Sec 9 T23S R27E; 2116/S & 328/W. BHL: 2316/S & 410/E; EL 3104 GR, TD 13,726; Spud 9-26-17, Comp 3-31-18; production is through treated perfs: 9229-12,647. Treat: 8,871,660# 40/70 100 mesh, 738 bbls 15%HCL acid. IP: 4-13-18 Flow 24 hrs 379 BO, 2574 BW, 938 MCF, 48 Ch, TP 610, CP 10. Cog: 13 3/8 @ 473 w/552 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1927 w/715 sx, 7 @ 9123 w/876 sx, 4 ½ @ 8458-13,723 w/561 sx, 2 7/8 & 2 3/8 @ 9012; API #30-015-44380

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Black River 15 10 State Com B1 #5
West Willow Lake; Sec 15 T24S R27E; 270/S & 1010/E. BHL: Sec 10 330/N & 643/E; EL 3219 GL, TD 17,521 MD, 7560 TVD; Spud 10-4-17, Comp 2-28-18; production is through treated perfs: 7579-15,943. Treat: 21,465,300# 30/50 100 mesh, 976 bbls 15% HCL acid. IP: 3-18-18 Flow 24 hrs 2079 BO, 2848 BW, 2079 MCF, 64 Ch, TP 500, CP 325. Cog: 13 3/8 @ 481 w/409 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2354 w/808 sx, 5 ½ @ 16,071 w/3769 sx, 2 7/8 @ & 2 3/8 @ 7526; API #30-015-44070

Lea County

Gulf Exploration LLC
Salty Dog 6 #1
SE Shoe Bar; Sec 6 T16S R36E; 2290/S & 660/E; EL 3949 GL, TD 11,800, PBTD 11,660; Spud 10-1-17, Comp 2-23-18; production is through treated perfs: 10362-10374, 10510-10916. Treat: 5000 gals 15% NEFE acid. IP: 3-8-18 Pump 24 hrs 14 BO, 21 BW, 0 MCF, Gty 43.5. Cog: 13 3/8 @ 2004 w/1150 sx, 8 5/8 @ 4765 w/1500 sx, 5 ½ @ 11,886 w/1200 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10,606; API #30-025-43920

XTO Energy Inc.
Perla Negra Federal Com #7
Lea; Sec 24 T19S R34E; 200/S & 2050/E. BHL: 204/N & 1894/E; EL 3787 GL, TD 15128 MD 10394 TVD, PBTD 15022 MD, 10393 TVD; Spud 9-9-17, Comp 2-10-18; production is through treated perfs: 10408-10451, 10824-14779. Treat: Frac in 23 stages using 24,038 gals HCL acid, 10,839,360# proppant, 9,854,207 gals fluid. IP: 2-20-18 Pump 24 hrs 1578 BO, 1272 BW, 1744 MCF, GOR 1105, Gty 47.3. Cog: 13 3/8 @ 1890 w/1610 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4067 w/1170 sx, 5 ½ @ 15106 w/1976 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9803; API #30-025-43812

COG Operating LLC
MAS Federal Com #2
Wildcat; Sec 34 T20S R34E, 190/N & 660/E. BHL: 200/S & 714/E; EL 3718 GL, TD 19920 MD, 11415 TVD, PBTD 15790 MD< 11412 TVD; Spud 12-21-17, Comp 4-4-18; production is through treated perfs: 11547-15767. Treat: 63160 gals 7 ½ acid, 67612459 sd, 6003310 gals fluid. IP: 4-5-18 Flow 24 hrs 716 BO, 170 BW, 1417 MCF, 26/64" Ch, TP 1300, CP 1700. Cog: 13 3/8 @ 1710 w/1350 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5765 w/3150 sx, 7 @ 10407 w/1250 sx, 4 ½ @ 9882-15905 w/700 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10050; API #30-025-44214

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Battle 34 Federal #4
Wildcat; Sec 27 T21S R33E, 191/S & 9960/W. BHL: Sec 34 249/S & 943/W; EL 3671 GL, TD 15953 MD, 10974 TVD; Spud 5-5-17, Comp 7-26-17; production is through treated perfs: 11203-15663 Treat: 1511 bbls 15% HCl acid. IP: 10-2-17 Flow 24 hrs 1022 BO, 1008 BW, 568 MCF, 46 Ch, TP 210, CP 140, GOR 556. Cog: 20 @ 1633 w/2350 sx, 13 3/8 @ 3553 w/2480 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5350 w/1042 sx, 5 ½ @ 15953 w/1830 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10805; API #30-025-42636

EOG Resources Inc.
Neptune 10 State Com #705
Wildcat; Sec 10 T24S R33E, 630/S & 2047/W. BHL: Sec 3 230/N & 1978/W; EL 3607 GR, TD 22,559 MD, 12,912 TVD, PBTD 22,507 MD, 12,511 TVD; Spud 10-9-17, Comp 2-25-18; production is through treated perfs: 12,804-22,507. Treat: Frac w/25,902,719# proppant, 330,331 bbls load fluid. IP: 3-2-18 Flow 24 hrs 1579 BO, 5579 BW, 3111 MCF, 42 Ch, CP 2094, GOR 1970, Gty 42. Cog: 10 ¾ @ 1358 w/1010 sx, 7 5/8 @ 11918 w/3750 sx, 5 ½ @ 22597 w/1091 sx; API #30-025-43808

BTA Oil Producers LLC
Mesa 8105 JV-P #18
Jennings; Sec 1 T26S R32E, 310/S & 1294/E. BHL: 221/N & 1298/E; EL 3315 GL, TD 14645 MD, 9787 TVD; Spud 10-5-17, Comp 2-14-18; production is through treated perfs: 10050-14535. Treat: Acdz w/1080 bbls acid, Frac

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EnLink Midstream plans new crude gathering system

■ New Avenger System will serve northern Delaware Basin

By Mella McEwen
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A new crude gathering system targeting the northern Delaware Basin has been announced by EnLink Midstream and its sister companies EnLink Midstream Partners LP and EnLink Midstream LLC, the general partner.

The Avenger Crude Oil Gathering System is being constructed following an agreement with Devon Energy Corp. to anchor the system. Devon has signed a 10-year contract dedicating acreage from its Todd development in Eddy and Lea counties, New Mexico, and Potato Basin development in Eddy County.

Michael Burdett, EnLink Midstream's senior vice president-Texas, told the Reporter-Telegram by email that the project will include about 100 miles of high- and low-pressure pipelines with pipeline interconnectivity to several major market outlets. He added the company intends to construct central delivery stations, pumps, truck injection stations and operational storage tanks to optimize shipping and delivery options.

Initial operations are expected to commence during the third quarter of 2018, and full-service operations are expected to commence during the first quarter of 2019.

While Devon is the initial anchor, Burdett said EnLink does plan to soon announce an open season for other volume commitments for Avenger.

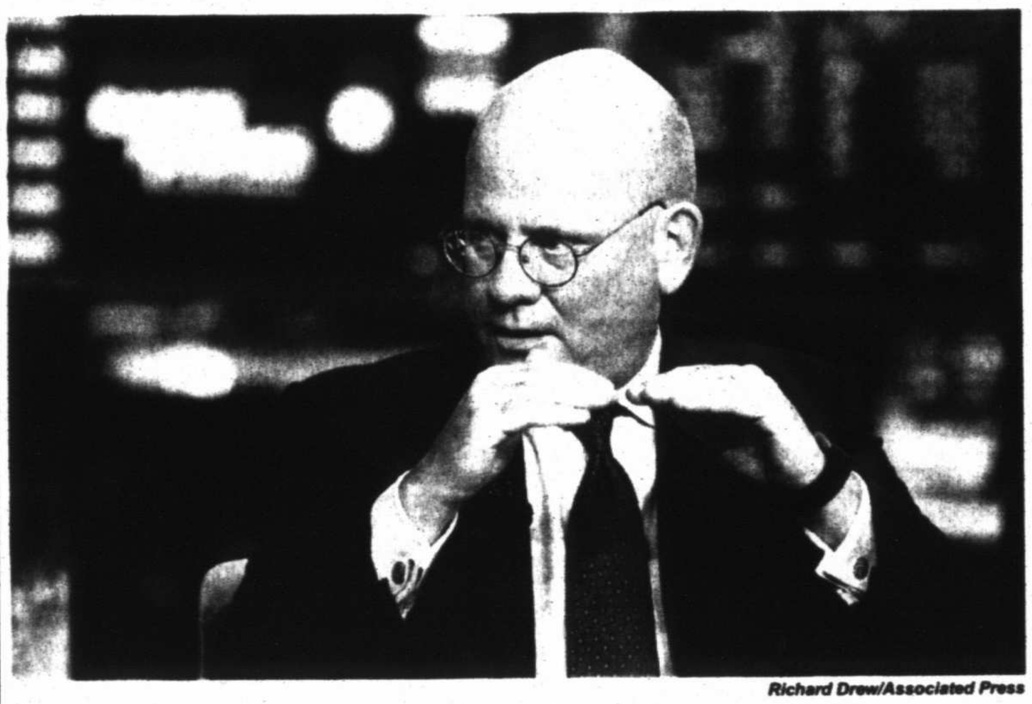
"Overall, the Delaware Basin is a premier, proven crude oil production area that positions EnLink to pursue volumes from other producers in the area and potential future expansions," he said.

Burdett continued, "EnLink uses a proven approach of utilizing existing platforms to grow and expand service offerings. This is what we did in the Midland Basin, expanding off our large, established gas footprint into crude service, first with the acquisition of a crude transportation company in 2015 and then with the Greater Chickadee crude oil gathering system, which commenced full service in early 2017. We are replicating this strategy in the Delaware, where we have the rapidly growing Lobo natural gas system, and adding crude service through the newly announced Avenger crude oil gathering system."

EnLink considers the Midland and Delaware basins "two of the best basins in the United States. Devon announced two of the Delaware Basin's best wells in its Todd and Potato Basin development area, where EnLink will build the Avenger system. Overall, we think we're already in the best basins in the U.S. and in the Permian," he added.

The partnership plans to invest about $35 million to $40 million of capital expenditures in the development of Avenger in 2018. These additional capital expenditures are incremental to the previously issued 2018 capital expenditures outlook for the partnership's crude and condensate segment. Further capital expenditures are expected in future years as Devon continues to develop its acreage in the region.

"Avenger is the third crude oil gathering platform in a high-growth basin that EnLink has announced over the last two years," said Michael J. Garberding, EnLink's president and chief executive officer in a statement. "We expect these platforms to generate an attractive return, in the five to six times range, and provide long-term, stable cash flows."



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General Electric Chairman & CEO John Flannery is interviewed Tuesday on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange.

GE CEO details plan to divest Baker Hughes after owning it one year

By Jordan Blum
Houston Chronicle

General Electric went to a lot of trouble to acquire the Houston oilfield services giant Baker Hughes last year and now its CEO wants to unload it, a process that may take until at least 2020.

GE's chief executive John Flannery said Tuesday he's aiming for an "orderly separation" from the $37 billion oil and gas business, which employs 7,500 in Houston and 64,000 worldwide. The iconic conglomerate he oversees is struggling to regain its lost financial footing and also is divesting other segments, including health care and transportation.

Baker Hughes has been in an epic merger drama since 2014 when its archrival Halliburton attempted a hostile takeover. That deal collapsed in 2016 amid federal antitrust concerns, opening the door for GE to quickly step in and finalize a friendlier union.

The divorce most likely will come as a spinoff in which GE would pass its Baker Hughes shares to investors. Baker Hughes already operates as an independently traded company on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker "BHGE." The deal, however, won't come hastily because Boston-based GE has a two-year lockup agreement with Baker Hughes.

GE first plans to split from its health care business as part of its plan to slim down and focus on its aviation, power and renewable energy businesses.

It is in the midst of a devastating fall from grace as the nation's biggest industrial giant. It's stock value has cratered by more than 55 percent since the beginning of 2017. Flannery took over the reins of GE last year after the Baker Hughes merger already was consummated under his predecessor, Jeff Immelt.

Baker Hughes may stand to lose some of the technological support it received from its parent, but a divestiture eliminates some of the uncertainty and trepidation surrounding the energy company, analysts said.

"Whenever you have a troubled parent, the sooner you can go off on your own the better," said Brian Youngberg, a senior energy analyst at Edward Jones in St. Louis. "Just removing 'GE' from the title could prove beneficial."

Observers don't expect the GE split to result in any big layoffs for Baker Hughes, which already shed tens of thousands of employees during the oil bust beginning in 2014.

Tuesday's news wasn't particularly surprising because Flannery first made waves in November — just four months after GE acquired a majority stake in Baker Hughes — when he said

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Lilis Energy moves to Houston, grows in Permian

By Jordan Blum
Houston Chronicle

Lilis Energy moved its headquarters from San Antonio to Houston this month as the oil producer aims for stability under a new chief executive and growth in West Texas' booming Permian Basin.

Energy veteran Ron Ormand, who already was Lilis' executive chairman, took over as CEO in April and opted to move the headquarters to 1800 Bering Drive near uptown Houston. Ormand already lived in Houston and was splitting time in San Antonio.

"It was just more appropriate to be based here," Ormand said. "Being in the center of the energy universe in Houston is important."

Houston is where the deals are made, he said. "And we're on a steep path of growth."

Lilis employs about 30 people and, with oil prices rising, is focused on growing drilling and production activity in the popular Delaware Basin portion of the Permian near the Texas and New Mexico state line.

Lilis moved from Denver to San Antonio two years ago when it acquired struggling San Antonio producer Brushy Energy near the bottom of the recent oil bust, switching Lilis' focus from Colorado's DJ Basin to West Texas just as the Permian was entering a massive resurgence.

Ormand, who previously co-founded Magnum Hunter Resources in Houston, joined the Lilis board in 2015 and took over as chairman in the beginning of 2016, helping to oversee much of the Texas move and the Permian focus.

But controversy rocked Lilis last summer when its CEO Abraham "Avi" Mirman resigned after the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission filed suit against him, alleging securities fraud in a penny stock scheme unrelated to Lilis.

Mirman was accused of working to manipulate the shares of a small silver mining company in Toronto for profit — before he joined Lilis, according to the SEC.

Lilis promoted President James Linville to the CEO role, but he was out after about eight months.

Ormand already was involved in the daily operations, but he wouldn't say why Linville didn't work out. It made practical and financial sense to consolidate the CEO and executive chairman positions, Ormand said.

Now, he sees leadership stability at the publicly traded company with growth ahead, especially once new Permian pipeline capacity comes online by mid-2019. In the meantime, Lilis is trucking much of its oil to bypass pipeline bottlenecks.

Oil-sands outage upends global oil market, overshadowing OPEC

By Robert Tuttle and Kevin Orland
Bloomberg

The shutdown of a key oil-sands facility in Canada is flipping the global oil market on its head and slamming shares of producers that depend on the plant.

Just as OPEC and allied producers agreed to pour more oil into global markets, a transformer blast first reported by Bloomberg News last week cut power to Alberta's giant Syncrude plant, which turns heavy crude into synthetic light oil for U.S. markets.

As less oil flows from up north, traders are paying a record premium for crude at America's biggest distribution hub in Cushing, Oklahoma. Globally, the gap between Brent crude and West Texas Intermediate is narrowing rapidly after widening for months. Goldman Sachs Group Inc. called the shutdown the most dramatic event in the oil market last week, as opposed to OPEC's meeting in Vienna. Shares of Suncor Energy Inc., which controls the plant, plunged the most in more than two years.

"Syncrude is very important. It's one of the longest-standing and longest-lifespan systems going," said Tim Pickering, founder and chief investment officer at Auspice Capital Advisors. "So having those barrels off, which are considered base barrels for the system, is fairly impactful."

The 350,000-barrel-a-day facility, one of the biggest of its kind in the world, is going to be out of commission until the end of July, the company said.

The expected shortfall in supplies follows five straight weeks of shrinking inventories at Cushing, the delivery point for WTI contracts. The price for the U.S. benchmark for immediate delivery at the hub, which is typically equal to futures on the New York Mercantile Exchange or just a few cents different, surged to an unprecedented $5.75 a barrel more on Monday.

The disruption is helping set the U.S. apart from the rest of the world and intensifying a U-turn in the dynamics of the global market.

While Saudi Arabia's push to make sure OPEC boosts supplies by close to 1 million barrels a day is strongly weighing down on Brent crude futures in London, the shortage in Canada is supporting U.S. prices. That's helping narrow the gap between the two benchmarks, reversing months of widening when the focus was on record production from shale fields. It has global implications because the premium helps buyers around the world decide whether to ship crude from the U.S. or elsewhere.

Brent traded at less than $8 dollars above WTI on Monday, compared with almost $12 just two weeks ago.

In Canada, the outage is pummeling shares of Suncor, which owns a 59 percent stake in the operation. Having the facility down through July could cut Suncor's third-quarter production to about 770,000 barrels a day, short of the 812,000-barrel analyst consensus, Tudor Pickering Holt analysts said in a note.

Suncor slid as much as 4.6 percent to C$50.88 in Toronto, the biggest intraday decline since February 2016. Imperial Oil Ltd., which owns 25 percent of Syncrude, slid as much as 1.5 percent. The remainder of the operation is owned by China Petroleum & Chemical Corp., which holds 9 percent, and CNOOC Ltd.'s Nexen, which owns about 7 percent.

Last week's outage is just the latest mishap at Canada's second-oldest oil-sands mine, which started operation in the mid-1970s and has faced reliability issues in recent years. The plant last month underwent scheduled maintenance that took longer than expected.

"If you consider how vast these operations are, you're going to have these things happen from time to time," Pickering said. "It just shows you how on-the-margin the system is."

New refiner report puts four Texas companies in top 5

■ Report gives insight to size of combined refiner from merger of Andeavor and Marathon Petroleum Corp.

By Rye Druzin
San Antonio Express-News

A new government report shows that four Texas refiners are among the top five in the country.

Valero Energy Corp. of San Antonio retained its No. 1 spot with nearly 2.2 million barrels of refining capacity a day, while Andeavor, also of San Antonio, moved to the No. 5 spot with 1.1 million barrels of refining capacity, according to the new report released by the Energy Department. The data is as of Jan. 1.

Andeavor grew last year after acquiring Western Refining, which had 246,000 barrels of refining capacity, according to the Energ

The new data also give the merger between Andeavor and Marathon Petroleum Corp. of Ohio would create the nation's largest refiner, Marathon, now the second largest refiner with nearly 1.9 million barrels of refining capacity, moved in April to buy the smaller Andeavor for $23.3 billion.

The combined company would have nearly 3 million barrels of refining capacity, easily surpassing Valero.

Rounding out the top five in refining capacity were number three Exxon Mobil (1.72 million barrels a day) and number four Phillips 66 (1.65 million barrels a day).

COMPLETIONS

Courtesy Drillinginfo

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w/236,165 bbls fluid,1143 mmf sd. IP: 4-4-18 Flow 24 hrs 696 BO, 1410 BW, 984 MCF, 23/64" Ch, TP 851, CP 195, GOR 1317, Gty 47.4. Cog: 13 3/8 @ 880 w/740 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4758 w/1795 sx, 5 ½ @ 14645 w/2150 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9470; API #30-025-42853

BTA Oil Producers LLC
Mesa 8105 JV-P #22
Jennings; Sec 11 T26S R32E; 330/N & 660/E. BHL: 169/S & 667/E; EL 3257 GL, TD 14554 MD, 9850 TVD; Spud 8-21-18, Comp 10-12-18; production is through treated perfs: 9860-14362. Treat: Acdz w/2139 bbls acid, Frac w/233,270 bbls fluid, 9.41 mmlf sd. IP: 10-31-18 Flow 24 hrs 633 BO, 2081 BW, 1176 MCF, 64/64" Ch, TP 590, GOR 1857, Gty 45.6. Cog: 13 3/8 @ 758 w/675 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4640 w/1290 sx, 5 ½ @ 14554 w/1580 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9433; API #30-025-42857

EOG Resources Inc.
Thor 21 #709
Sanders Tank; Sec 21 T26S R33E; 175/S & 430/E. BHL: 276/N & 990/E; EL 3253 GR, TD 17,628 MD, 12,734 TVD, PBTD 17536 MD, 12,734 TVD; Spud 12-10-17, Comp 2-28-18; production is through treated perfs: 13,120-17,536. Treat: Frac w/11,590,8059 proppant, 202,142 bbls load fluid. IP: 2-28-18 Flow 24 hrs 704 BO, 4784 BW, 1606 MCF, 64 Ch, CP 173, GOR 2282, Gty 67. Cog: 13 3/8 @ 930 w/820 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4840 w/1200 sx, 7 5/8 @ 12475 w/355 sx, 5 ½ @ 17,628 w/590 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10,554; API #30-025-43897

EOG Resources Inc.
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Hardin Tank; Sec 2 T26S R34E; 220/N & 1178/W. BHL: 234/S & 987/W; EL 3304 GR, TD 17504 MD, 12,742 TVD, PBTD 17,375 MD, 12,717 TVD; Spud 8-6-17, Comp 1-17-18; production is through treated perfs: 12,789-17,375. Treat: Frac w/11,304,2209 proppant, 151,401 bbls load fluid. IP: 1-19-18 Flow 24 hrs 925 BO, 7475 BW, 848 MCF, 24/64" Ch, CP 3280, GOR 917, Gty 41. Cog: 10 ¾ @ 1078 w/810 sx, 7 5/8 @ 11942 w/4380 sx, 5 ½ @ 17470 w/800 sx; API #30-025-43892

ENERGY BRIEFS

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HOUSTON

Oasis Petroleum selling Williston acreage for $283 million

Houston-based Oasis Petroleum said it is selling much of its Williston Basin acreage in North Dakota and Montana for $283 million as the company increasingly focuses on the booming Permian Basin.

Oasis said it is selling to two undisclosed buyers about 65,000 acres that it considers less important. The proceeds are expected to help pay for Oasis' nearly $1 billion acquisition of Permian Basin acreage earlier this year from San Antonio's Forge Energy.

While the Williston Basin is a secondary focus for Oasis, the Houston company isn't exiting the region. However, Oasis does plan to sell more acreage in the region as it seeks to fulfill a total divestment plan of $500 million.

Oasis is instead honed in increasingly on the Permian's Delaware Basin.

OKLAHOMA

Oil, gas production rises, workforce declines

OKLAHOMA CITY — An economist at the Oklahoma City branch of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City says oil and gas production is increasing but with fewer employees.

Chad Wilkerson writes in the Oklahoma Economist that increased production is due to improved technology, which has also led to fewer active rigs.

In October 2014, 1,924 oil and gas rigs and about 200,700 employees in the industry produced about 9.1 million barrels of oil daily nationwide. Now about 1,060 active rigs with about 151,500 employees produce an estimated 10.7 million barrels daily.

Oklahoma City University economics chairman Russell Evans said Oklahoma had about 64,000 workers in 2014 and about 52,000 today.

Wilkerson says diversifying the state's economy with jobs allowing workers to transfer skills, such as analyzing data and logistics, would offset job losses.

Dawson Geophysical added to The Russell 2000 and Russell 3000 indexes

Dawson Geophysical Co. was added as a member of the U.S. Russell 2000 Index and the U.S. broad-market Russell 3000 Index at the conclusion of the Russell indexes annual reconstitution, effective after market close on June 22.

Dawson Geophysical also will be automatically added to the appropriate growth and value indexes and will remain in the Russell Microcap Index.

The annual reconstitution of the Russell indexes captures the largest U.S. stocks at the end of May, ranking them by total market capitalization. The Russell 2000 Index measures performance of the segment of the U.S. equity market and membership in the index remains in place for at least one year. FTSE Russell determines membership for its Russell indexes primarily by objective, market-capitalization rankings and style attributes.

USGS: Eagle Ford could have 8.5 billion barrels of oil

The Eagle Ford Shale field could still have billions of barrels of oil to pump, potentially making it the second largest oil field in the U.S.

The U.S. Geological Survey said the Eagle Ford Group of Texas — which stretches from the Texas-Mexico border into Louisiana — could contain 8.5 billion barrels of undiscovered and technically recoverable oil.

That would make it second in the U.S. for oil reserves, just ahead of the 7.4 billion barrels estimated to remain undiscovered in the Williston Basin of North Dakota.

The Permian Basin still reigns No. 1 with 20 billion barrels of undiscovered and technically recoverable oil, according to the USGS.

The Eagle Ford may also have 66 trillion cubic feet of natural gas, making it tied for third in the U.S. with the Niobrara Basin in Colorado and Wyoming for potential natural gas reserves.

WYOMING

New Wyoming oil and gas wells up 60 percent last year

CASPER — The Wyoming Geological Survey says more than 580 oil and gas wells were completed in Wyoming in 2017.

That is a 60 percent increase from the previous year.

So far this year, producers have completed 80 wells in the state.

Geological Survey Director Erin Campbell says higher oil prices are driving the increased drilling.

Campbell says most of the new drilling has occurred in the Powder River Basin. During 2017, the basin was responsible for about 60 percent of Wyoming's oil production.

However, state geologists also note impressive returns from new horizontal wells around the Pinedale and Jonah fields in southwestern Wyoming.

Another growing play is occurring near Cheyenne.

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he was seeking a way out of the oil and gas sector with its boom-and-bust cycles. A spinoff of GE's 62.5 percent stake in Baker Hughes to its GE shareholders is the most likely scenario because there are few, if any, potential buyers, analysts said.

Baker Hughes is still finding its way after the GE merger and seeking to establish its new identity after the recent oil bust and a rebound in crude prices. Although both businesses were struggling at the time, the merger was seen as a good fit that combined Baker Hughes' strengths in drilling and equipment with GE's breadth and international scale, including GE's experience in burgeoning industries like liquefied natural gas.

And the deal put together companies founded by historical icons. GE was co-founded by Thomas Edison and Baker Hughes was co-founded by Howard Hughes Sr. The merger made sense because Baker Hughes and GE Oil & Gas are stronger together, Flannery said. The combined divisions will be better positioned to compete as one.

A Baker Hughes spokeswoman said the company remains focused on its employees, customers and shareholders.

"BHGE is a strong and differentiated company positioned for growth," she added. "GE's announcement to fully separate BHGE over the next two to three years provides a defined path for us, and is one we are prepared for."

Baker Hughes is led by CEO Lorenzo Simonelli, a longtime GE employee who previously headed the oil and gas business. Simonelli was short-listed for the GE CEO gig that ultimately went to Flannery.

The merger with GE's oil and gas division created a new company with a stock market value of more than $35 billion and vaulted Baker Hughes from a distant third in energy services to the second largest, behind global leader Schlumberger and slightly ahead of Halliburton. Baker Hughes is now valued at more than $37 billion.

Wall Street reacted favorably to Tuesday's news as the stock jumped more than 2 percent up to a closing price of $33.14 a share. Still, Halliburton has since moved slightly past it with a nearly $40 billion value.

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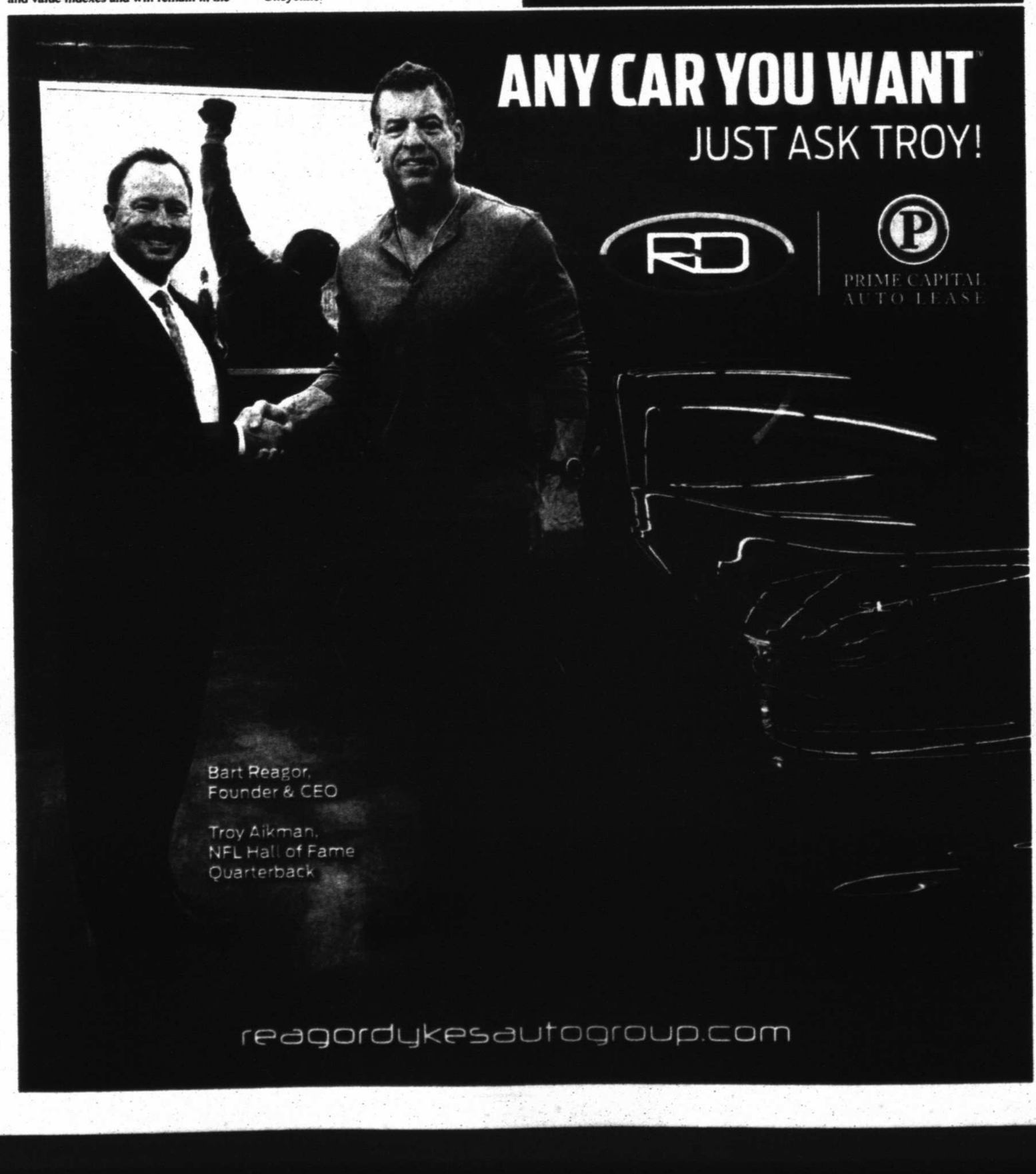

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	HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	It Will Be Chaos				(:45) ½ ★★★ X2: X-Men United Patrick Stewart.				Andre the Giant			Movie
	HBOS	304	552	16	102		(5:00) ½ The Newto...		(:05) Billie Jean King		(:10) ½ ★★★ Flight of the Phoenix				(:10) ½ ★★★ Whip It Ellen Page.			
	MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(:10) ½ ★★★ Driving Miss Daisy		(:50) ½ ★★★ Big Fish ('03, Fant) Ewan McGregor.						(:55) ½ ★★ The Girl Next Door		Movie	
	MAX2	382	559	18	122		(5:50) ½ ★★★★ Strange Days Ralph Fiennes.				(:20) ½ ★★ Lost River Christina Hendricks.				(:55) ½ ★★★ Sunshine		Movie	
	PLEX			96			(5:25) ½ Save the La...		½ ★★ Car Wash Richard Pryor.		(:45) ½ ★★ Mr. Baseball Tom Selleck.				½ The Beautician & the Beast			
	SHOW	320	548	19	140	25	Movie	(:25) Mrs M	½ ★★ Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest						(:25) ½ ★★★ Jurassic Park Sam Neill		Movie	
	TMC	306	579	22	155	26	(5:30) Rush		(:15) ½ ★★ Changing Lanes Ben Affleck.				½ Blood for This ('16, Bio) Miles Teller.				½ Lord of War	
CABLE	A&E	27	58	28	35	47	P. Wars	Matter	Hoarders		Hoarders		Hoarders		Hoarders		½ ★★ Out of Time	
	AMC	40	74	23	42	51	MASH	M*A*S*H	MASH		½ ★★★ A Bronx Tale ('93, Dra) Robert De Niro.				The Walking Dead		(:10) Walking Dead	
	BET	58	-		40		Showdown of Faith		Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	(:35) Payne	Browns	Browns	Browns	Browns
	BRAVO	65	76		41		Housewives Potomac		Housewives P.		Atlanta "ReMarcable"		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta	
	CNBC	46	52		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	68	31	24	42	Cooper's Treasure		Local	Sportsmn	Texas Flip and Move		Texas Flip and Move		Texas Flip and Move		Texas Flip and Move	
	DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Puppy	Vampirina	Rapunzel	Gravity	BigHero6	DuckTal.	BigCity	BigCity	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
	ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		E:60 (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
	ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	(12:30) ITF Tennis '10 Wimbledon		F1 Grid		(:05) F1 Auto Racing Austrian Grand Prix (L)		E:60				Poker '17 World Series	
	FNC	45	48	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday						Morning Futures		MediaBuzz		America's News HQ	
	FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Rules	Heart	Cooking	Baked (N)	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	GirlFarm	GloBeach	Barefoot	Southern
	FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	(:15) ½ Alice In Wo...	
	FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Paid	Insider (N)	EpcTrail	Golf (N)	Paid	Paid	Pow.Spo.	Spotlight	Focus. (N)	Polaris	MLB Baseball	
	FX	31	56	59	64	69	Mother	Mother	Mother		½ ★★★ X-Men: Days of Future Past ('14, Adv) Ian McKellen, Hugh Jackman.						½ ★ Ride Along 2	
	HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	½ Love at First Glance ('17, Rom) Amy Smart.				½ Harvest Love ('17, Rom) Jen Lilley.				½ Campfire Kiss ('17, Com) Danica McKellar.			
	HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper	
	HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Detroit Steel		Steel "The Do-Over"		Counting Cars: Drive "Countdown to Car Week: Part 4" (N)						Drive	Drive
	LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	In Touch	Truths	Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid	½ A Mother Betrayed Lynn Collins.				½ Stolen from the...	
	MSNBC	47	53		49	73	News (N)	Business	PoliticsNation		MSNBC Live (N)		AM Joy				MSNBC Live (N)	
	NBCSN	38	43				Mecum10	NASCAR Auto Racing	Overton's 300				NASCAR Auto Race		NASCAR Auto Race		NASCAR America (L)	
	NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Sponge	Sponge	½ Ranger	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge
	SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid	Paid	E. Power	Off-Road	Truck Y.	D.Muscle	Bar Rescue		(:10) Bar Rescue	
	SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Paid	Paid	Twilight	Twilight	Twilig ıt	½ Blood Father ('16, Act) Mel Gibson.					½ MI-5 ('15, Act) Kit Harrington.	
	TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	½ ★★ Divergent	
	TCM	41	75	24	63	66	Movie	½ ★★★ They Died With Their Boots On Errol Flynn.					½ ★★★ Armored Car Robbery				½ ★★★★ Anthony Adverse	
	TELE	20	-	10	20		Un nuevo día "Edicion Especial" (L)				Hoy		FIFA Fútbol Copa Mundial Site: Luzhniki Stadium (L)				Hoy	Un nuevo
	TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings	
	TNT	24	34	40	26	50	Law & Order		Law & Order		Law&O. "Hands Free"		Law&O. "Evil Breeds"		Law & Order		½ The Fifth Element	
	TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	(:10) Chris	(:55) G. Gibb	(:25) The Golden Girls	G. Girls	(:55) G.Gibb		(:10) G.Gibb	(:55) G.Gibb	(:25) The Golden Girls	G. Girls	(:55) G.Gibb	
	USA	26	55	42	27	49	Paid	T.Point	In Touch	J.Osteen	Colony		Shooter "Red Meat"		Law&O: SVU "Mask"		Law&O: SVU "Dirty"	
	WGN	19	85				Lord	Creflo	Leading	Paid	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops

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SUNDAY AFTERNOON — JULY 1, 2018

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	C	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
BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Paid		Paid		Paid Program		2018 Spec. Olympics "Opening Ceremony" (L)				News (N)	Paid
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Religious	RawTrav.	PGA Tour Special (N)		PGA Golf The National Site: TPC at Avenel -- Potomac, Md. (L)						News (N)	
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Brady8.	Brady8.	FactsLife	Strokes	Gilligan	Gilligan	Mama'sF.	Mama'sF.	Jeffers.	Jeffers.	The Love Boat	
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	WCToday	(:45) FIFA Soccer	World Cup (L)				WC Today	MLS Soccer	New York Red Bulls at Toronto FC (L)			
	KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	News	Shofar	W-Master	Creation	Light of Southwest		Light of Southwest	Heritage	BeingBest	Jerusalem	Housecall	
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Paid	YOLOTax	Paid	Paid	LPGA Golf	PGA Championship Site: Kemper Lakes Golf Club (L)				Inside Ed.	News (N)	
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	W.L.Yoga	Environ.	Cook's	Martha	Martha	Chef's	Baking Show "Tarts"		News		News. (N)	Veterans
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	½ El Diablo, El Santo y		El Tonto		Como dice el dicho		Republica deportiva		Privilegio	Privilegio	Nacional	Horóscopo
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Wonder	Bucket List	Green	Homeo.	Cars.TV	A.Athlete	Entertainers		Missing	Carrasco	Alaska	Mosby
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	575		165		(11:00) ½ Kill Bill: Vo...		½ ★★ Kill Bill: Vol. 2 ('04, Act) Uma Thurman.						(:20) ½ ★★ Superhero Movie		(:55) ½ The Sum of	
	HBO	300	550	14	14		Billmaher (:40) VICE		(:15) Bollywar				½ Table 19 Anna Kendrick.				(:05) ½ American Made	
	HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(11:00) ½ The Prince...		(:15) Bill Maher		LastWk	(:40) ½ ★★ It ('17, Dra) Finn Wolfhard, Bill Skarsgård.					Succession	
	HBOS	304	552	16	102		(:20) ½ ★★★ Away We Go				(:45) ½ ★★★ Good Will Hunting ('97, Dra) Matt Damon.				(:20) ½ Snatched Amy Schumer.		Movie	
	MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(11:40) ½ ★★★ Speed				(:40) Stella: Silkworm	(:40) ½ ★★ Clash of the Titans					(:05) ½ ★★★ The Pelican Brief	
	MAX2	382	559	18	122		(11:40) ½ ★★★ Darkman				(:05) ½ ★★ Psycho		(:10) ½ My Friend Rabbit Ross Lynch.				½ ★★★★ Split	
	PLEX			96			(:20) ½ ★★ Life Stinks ('91, Com) Mel Brooks.				(:05) ½ ★★ Car Wash				(:05) ½ Save the Last Dance 2		(:10) ½ La Bamba	
	SHOW	320	548	19	140	25	(11:40) ½ The Last World: Jurassic Park				½ ★★ Jurassic Park III				(:10) Dying Up Here		(:40) ½ ★★★ The Rock	
	TMC	306	579	22	155	26	(11:00) ½ Lord of War		(:05) ½ Childh Nicholas Hoult.				(:40) ½ ★★★ The Whole Nine Yards				½ ★★ Free State of Jones	
CABLE	A&E	27	58	28	35	47	(11:00) ½ ★★ Out of Time				½ ★★ Training Day ('01, Thr) Denzel Washington.				S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars
	AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(:10) Walking Dead		(:10) Walking Dead		(:10) Walking Dead		(:10) Dead "Forget"		(:10) Dead "Lost"		(:10) Walking Dead	
	BET	58	-		40		(:20) Meet the Browns		(:20) ½ ★★ Why Did I Get Married? ('07, Com/Dra) Tyler Perry.						½ Madea's Witness Protection Tyler Perry.			
	BRAVO	65	76		41		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Xscape-Kickin' It!		Xscape-Kickin' It!		Xscape-Kickin' It!		Xscape-Kickin' It!	
	CNBC	46	52		39	72	(5:30) Paid Program								The Profit		Shark Tank	
	CNN	43	50	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
	DISC	50	68	31	24	42	XL All Stars		XL All Stars		XL All Stars		XL All Stars		XL All Stars		XL All Stars	
	DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	½ Zapped Zendaya.	
	ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	Baseball Home Run Derby				Bowling Top Rank				SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
	ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	Poker '17 World Series		Poker '17 World Series		Poker '17 World Series		Poker '17 World Series		Poker '17 World Series		Poker '17 World Series	
	FNC	45	48	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal Editorial R.		America's News HQ		Greg Gutfeld Show		FOX Report Sunday	
	FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	The Kitchen		Cannback Kitchen		Diners, Drive-Ins		Diners, Drive-Ins		Diners, Drive-Ins		Iron Chef America	
	FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(11:15) ½ Alice in Wonderland				(:20) ½ ★★ Oz the Great and Powerful ('13, Adv) Mila Kunis, James Franco.						½ ★★★★ Up	
	FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	(11:40) MLB Baseball		Insider	Pro-game	MLB Baseball Chicago White Sox at Texas Rangers (L)					Rangers	Xtreme (N)	
	FX	31	56	59	64	69	(11:00) ½ Ride Along 2		½ ★★★ 22 Jump Street Channing Tatum.						½ ★ Daddy's Home ('15, Com) Will Ferrell.		½ ★ Sicario	
	HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	½ The Perfect Catch Nikki Deloach.				½ Wedding March 4: Something Old, S...				½ Royal Hearts ('18, Com) Cindy Busby.			
	HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain
	HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Counting	CountCars	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers	
	LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(11:40) ½ Stolen fr...		½ You Killed My Mother Ashley Jones.				½ Stalker Mistress ('17, Thr) Nikki Howard.				½ Nanny Killer	
	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				(11:00) NASCAR (L)		Countd.	NASCAR Auto Racing	Overton's 400 Site: Chicagoland Speedway (L)				Post-race		Victory Lap (L)	
	NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Sponge	Sponge	Dare	Dare	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	½ Happy Feet	
	SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	(:20) Bar Rescue "Sticky Situation"			(:20) Bar Rescue		(:20) Bar Rescue			Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
	SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Movie	½ ★★★ Parker ('13, Act) Jennifer Lopez, Jason Statham.					½ ★★ The Mechanic Jason Statham.				½ The Legend of...	
	TBS	25	33	44	66	41	(11:40) ½ ★★ Divergent Shailene Woodley.				½ ★★ Insurgent ('15, Sci-Fi) Shailene Woodley.						½ The Divergent Series: Alleg...	
	TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(10:30) ½ ★★★ Anthony A...		½ ★★ Boomtown ('40, Bio) Ida Lupino.						½ The Private Lives of Elizabeth and Essex		½ The Snake Pit	
	TELE	20	-	10	20		Hoy	FIFA Fútbol	Copa Mundial (L)						Hoy en la Copa M (L)	Noticias (N)		Destinos	Noticias
	TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Four Weddings		90 Day Fiancé "Boiling Point"				90 Day Fiancé "The Blame Game"				90 Day Fiancé (N)	
	TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(11:40) ½ The Fifth Element				½ ★★★ The Hurt Knight Rises ('12, Act) Christian Bale, Anne Hathaway.						½ Batman v Supe...	
	TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	(:10) G.Gibb	(:55) G. Gibb	(:25) The Golden Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls		Rules	Rules	Rules	Rules	Rules	Rules
	USA	26	55	42	27	49	Law&O: SVU "Fight"		SVU "Spectacle"		SVU "Pursuit"		Law&O: SVU "Bully"		SVU "Bombshell"		SVU "Totem"	
	WGN	19	85				Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Blue Bloods	

SUNDAY PRIME TIME — JULY 1, 2018

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	C	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
BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	America's Funniest Home Videos		Celebrity Family Feud		The $100,000 Pyramid		To Tell the Truth		News (N)		(:35) Nine Months "The Price of Justice"	(:35) Extra Weekend
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		Big Brother (N)		Instinct "Trial" (SF) (N)		NCIS: Los Angeles "Party Crashers"		CBS 7 News (N)		(:35) Crashes	(:05) Castle "Driven"
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	The Odd Couple	The Odd Couple	Columbo "Agenda for Murder" Columbo solves a murder that looks like a suicide.				Tenth Angel "Miles to Go Before I Sleep"		Night Gallery		Twilight "Passage on the Lady Anne"	
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	One Strange Rock "Survival"		The Simpsons	Bob's Burgers	Family G.	Bob's Burgers	Big Bang Theory	Mom	2 Broke Girls	Tyrants	9JKL	Bless Big Bang Theory
	KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Mother.	Shepherd's Heart	The Essentials		Light of the Southwest				Upside Down	Village of Truth	Crucifixion	TBA
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Dateline NBC		America's Got Talent "Auditions 5" Variety acts of all types audition for the judges.		Shades of Blue "That Way Madness Lies" (N)		and 9 (N)		(:35) Report On Story		Who Killed JFK?	VOLD Texas
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Nature "Downton Abbey: Series III"		Masterpiece Classic "Pobbles"		Masterpiece Mystery! "Endeavour: Cartouche" (N)		Who Killed JFK? (N)				Globe Trekker "Food Hour: Sicily"	
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Noticias "Elecciones Mexico 2018"		Al Final...Todo Queda en Familia				Noticias "Elecciones Mexico 2018"		Hecho de Todos	Noticias Univisión	Republica deportiva	
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Bones		Blood & Bone		CSI "Presumed Guilty"		Blindside	Blindside	Angry St.	Angry St.	Scandal	
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	575		165		(11:00) ½ The Sum of...		½ ★★ Kill Bill: Vol. 1 ('04, Act) Uma Thurman.				½ ★★ Kill Bill: Vol. 2 ('04, Act) Uma Thurman.					
	HBO	300	550	14	14		Girls		½ ★★★★ Wonder Woman ('17, Act) Gal Gadot.				Succession (N)		Last Week	Succession		
	HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	Succession		Succession				½ ★★ Jennifer's Body				(:40) ½ Riding John Malkovich	
	HBOS	304	552	16	102		(:05) ½ ★★★ Sex and the City				½ ★★★ Away We Go				(:35) ½ Snatched Amy Schumer.			
	MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(11:40) ½ The Fellow...		½ Breakthrough Cancer...						(:40) ½ ★★ City Island ('10, Act) Steve Will...		(:10) ½ The Fast and the Furious	
	MAX2	382	559	18	122		(11:40) ½ ★★★★ Split		Hello, Gorsch ('16)		½ ★★★				(:40) ½ Miss Bala ('19, Act) Gina Rodriguez.		(:10) ½ The Resident Evil: Ret...	
	PLEX			96			(:05) ½ La Bamba				½ ★★ Life Stinks ('91, Com) Mel Brooks.				(:05) ½ Mr. Wrestler's Ten Tasks		(:40) ½ The Resident Evil: Ret...	
	SHOW	320	548	19	140	25	(11:40) ½ The Rock		The Affair		The Affair		Dying Up Here (N)		The Affair		½ The Dying Up Here	
	TMC	306	579	22	155	26	(11:40) ½ Free State of Jones		½ Predator Dog ('18, Dra) Mark Wahlberg.				(:40) ½ ★★ Changing Lanes Ben Affleck.		Lanes Ben Affleck.		½ The Punisher	
CABLE	A&E	27	58	28	35	47	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	S. Wars	Paradise (N)					
	AMC	40	74	23	42	51	Walking Dead		Talking Dead		Talking Dead		To Be Announced (N)				To Be Announced (N)	
	BET	58	-		40		Meet the Browns		Meet the Browns		Meet the Browns		TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
	BRAVO	65	76		41		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
	CNBC	46	52		39	72												
	CNN	43	50	51	30	56	CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
	DISC	50	68	31	24	42	XL All Stars		XL All Stars		XL All Stars		XL All Stars		XL All Stars		XL All Stars	
	DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	½ Zapped Zendaya.	
	ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	Bowling Top Rank								SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
	ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	Poker '17 World Series		Poker '17 World Series		Poker '17 World Series		Poker '17 World Series		Poker '17 World Series		Poker '17 World Series	
	FNC	45	48	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal Editorial R.		America's News HQ		Greg Gutfeld Show		FOX Report Sunday	
	FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	The Kitchen		Cannback Kitchen		Diners, Drive-Ins		Diners, Drive-Ins		Diners, Drive-Ins		Iron Chef America	
	FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(11:15) ½ Alice in Wonderland				(:20) ½ ★★ Oz the Great and Powerful ('13, Adv) Mila Kunis, James Franco.						½ ★★★★ Up	
	FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	(11:40) MLB Baseball		Insider	Pro-game	MLB Baseball Chicago White Sox at Texas Rangers (L)					Rangers	Xtreme (N)	
	FX	31	56	59	64	69	(11:00) ½ Ride Along 2		½ ★★★ 22 Jump Street Channing Tatum.						½ ★ Daddy's Home ('15, Com) Will Ferrell.		½ ★ Sicario	
	HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	½ The Perfect Catch Nikki Deloach.				½ Wedding March 4: Something Old, S...				½ Royal Hearts ('18, Com) Cindy Busby.			
	HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain
	HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Counting	CountCars	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers	
	LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	(11:40) ½ Stolen fr...		½ You Killed My Mother Ashley Jones.				½ Stalker Mistress ('17, Thr) Nikki Howard.				½ Nanny Killer	
	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				(11:00) NASCAR (L)		Countd.	NASCAR Auto Racing	Overton's 400 Site: Chicagoland Speedway (L)				Post-race		Victory Lap (L)	
	NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Sponge	Sponge	Dare	Dare	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	Loud H.	½ Happy Feet	
	SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	(:20) Bar Rescue "Sticky Situation"			(:20) Bar Rescue		(:20) Bar Rescue			Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
	SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	Movie	½ ★★★ Parker ('13, Act) Jennifer Lopez, Jason Statham.					½ ★★ The Mechanic Jason Statham.				½ The Legend of...	
	TBS	25	33	44	66	41	(11:40) ½ ★★ Divergent Shailene Woodley.				½ ★★ Insurgent ('15, Sci-Fi) Shailene Woodley.						½ The Divergent Series: Alleg...	
	TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(10:30) ½ ★★★ Anthony A...		½ ★★ Boomtown ('40, Bio) Ida Lupino.						½ The Private Lives of Elizabeth and Essex		½ The Snake Pit	
	TELE	20	-	10	20		Hoy	FIFA Fútbol	Copa Mundial (L)						Hoy en la Copa M (L)	Noticias (N)		Destinos	Noticias
	TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Four Weddings		90 Day Fiancé "Boiling Point"				90 Day Fiancé "The Blame Game"				90 Day Fiancé (N)	
	TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(11:40) ½ The Fifth Element				½ ★★★ The Hurt Knight Rises ('12, Act) Christian Bale, Anne Hathaway.						½ Batman v Supe...	
	TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	(:10) G.Gibb	(:55) G. Gibb	(:25) The Golden Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls		Rules	Rules	Rules	Rules	Rules	Rules
	USA	26	55	42	27	49	Law&O: SVU "Fight"		SVU "Spectacle"		SVU "Pursuit"		Law&O: SVU "Bully"		SVU "Bombshell"		SVU "Totem"	
	WGN	19	85				Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Blue Bloods	

56th Annual Children's Sidewalk Parade at Hogan Park Wednesday, July 4th @ 10 am

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- **Each participant must be on a sidewalk vehicle - such as wagons, tricycles, bicycles, strollers and Power Wheels.**
- **Parade participants will be divided into 5 categories: Birth - 3 years, 4-6 years, 7-9 years, 10-12 years & Power Wheels.**
- **Children may participate in groups in the age category of the most members of the group. As we honor the RED, WHITE & BLUE, we encourage decorated vehicles celebrating America's Birthday!**

All participants will receive a participant ribbon and a flag to wave in the parade courtesy of the Col. Theunis Dey Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

There will be a short patriotic program to kick off the parade. To register online*, please visit:

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Founded in 1960 with the opening of a restaurant in Michigan, Domino's has sought to become the go-to pizza chain. Through a recent rebranding campaign and retooling of its pizza offerings, the chain has become the largest seller of pizza in the United States as well as around the globe.

With several Domino's locations in the Midland and Odessa area, delivery drivers as well as cashiers and pie makers are being sought after for several job openings. Delivery drivers earn an hourly wage and receive pay for mileage while also getting tips.

Top drivers can earn between $18 to $25 per hour with a great attitude and hustle. Applicants for delivery drivers need to be at least 18 years or older with a good driving record, a valid driver's license and vehicle insurance. Full-time and part-time positions are available along with flexible hours.

Cashiers and pie makers are also needed. It's a great opportunity for a student over 16 years old to earn a good hourly wage with quick raise opportunities.

Full-time and part-time positions are available.

Ten locations in the Midland and Odessa have opportunities available. Midland locations include 1307 N. Loop 250, 3300 W. Illinois, 4519 N. Garfield, 604 N. Big Spring St, and 503 I-20. Odessa locations include 3111 Faudree Rd, 960 E. 87th St, 1106 E. 42nd St., 2251 Linda Ave., 9001 W. University Blvd. For more information, visit any of the listed locations or apply online at jobs.dominos.com.

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MULTIPLE CAREERS, ONE RESUME?

By Kim Thompson

Part of thriving career is change, and it's not uncommon for you to have multiple careers, but the key to implementing a successful job search begins with how you present your skills to the employer's needs.

Having a broad background in various industries can be an advantage, giving you more depth in experience and skills. The risk with having three or more distinct and separate careers listed on one resume is the unexpected confusion an employer could develop when reviewing your interests. The value that you bring to the employer can get lost in the number of industries.

One effective way to begin your search is to first determine what field of interest you want to pursue and then focus highlighting your skills and accomplishments in that area. One of the biggest trends in moving your career forward is your ability to frame your achievements into stories.

Multiple careers can be used to your advantage if you show a theme of certain skills throughout your resume. Using a theme helps to reinforce you core competencies or skills that an employer is needing. Instead of the hiring decision maker focusing on numerous careers, they now see how you developed skills that are relatable to solving their problems.

Targeting your resume to the industry might be another helpful technique rather than sending one generic resume with no focus. Look at your resume as a tool that's always changing, you are likely to need multiple resumes. An effective way to target your resume is to use a good summary statement and utilizing key words that relate to the position you are seeking.

The key is generating interest from the employer by demonstrating you are competent in the industry you are seeking. Don't make the mistake of listing job duties rather take the time to spell out what you did to help the company succeed and the results – tell a story with results.

It is much easier for the employer to grasp your skill set that applies to the position rather than giving a "jack of all trades" perception. Think in terms of combing transferable skills, those skills that cross over industries.

Job candidates often have multiple resumes to use in their search to help the employer quickly identify the skill set and how their backgrounds relate to the position. Having multiple careers is an accomplishment rather than unplanned mayhem.

With each career move, think of the experience gained and how this makes you stand out from other candidates. Your multiple industry experiences give you a broader understanding of how business operates and demonstrates your adaptability to change.

Have multiple careers helped your job search? What did you do to use them to your advantage?

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