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Cornyn hears about prairie chicken listing

Listing effects oil drilling, seeking spaceport license approval, other efforts

By Mella McEwen
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With Congress recessed for five weeks, elected officials are returning to their home states and districts to meet with their constituents.

Sen. John Cornyn visited Midland on Tuesday to hear about the impact of the Endangered Species Act, specifically the listing in March of the lesser prairie chicken as threatened. Sitting in a conference room at Midland International Airport, the Republican senator heard from area-elected and economic development officials, agencies and business representatives.

Ben Shepperd, president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association, cited the success the region had in working together two years ago to persuade the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to not list the dunes sagebrush lizard as endangered and said he hoped to repeat that success with the chicken. Already, more than 150 companies have enrolled acreage in conservation plans.

"The last thing we want to do is endanger species. We all want to do the right thing," Shepperd said.

But in the aftermath of the listing, the association and four New Mexico counties have sued the service, saying the decision was not based on sound science.

He and Cornyn agreed that the state's prolonged drought and loss of habitat has been primarily responsible for the loss of the lesser prairie chicken population.

Clayton Wolf, director of wildlife

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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

MPD K-9 officer Molly Pehl talks with four-year-old Deacon Adkins during National Night Out on Tuesday.

More than 70 neighborhoods held block parties Tuesday evening during the nationwide event, which started in Midland 31 years ago.

The parties also featured visits from local mascots and members of the Midland Police Department, who asked residents to start using a free digital network called Nextdoor to strengthen neighborhood watch efforts.

U.S. Sen. John Cornyn kicked off the event at the Boys & Girls Club gym at Taylor Park. He asked Midlanders to develop a strong sense of responsibility and vigilance by being the "eyes and ears" of the police department.

"The only way they are going to be successful doing their job is to do our jobs as citizens," Cornyn told a gym packed with kids and community members.

US senator sticks to immigration plan

By Rachael Gleason
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U.S. Sen. John Cornyn on Tuesday repeated his views on the state's latest border crisis involving tens of thousands of unaccompanied immigrant children: Return them home safely.

After speaking at a Midland event Tuesday, Cornyn — who visited Rio Grande Valley Border Patrol stations three times over the past month — described the mostly Central American minors sleeping in Texas shelters as "in pretty bad shape."

"We don't know how many of them were killed, injured, assaulted or robbed along the way because these smuggling corridors are controlled by criminal organizations," Cornyn told the Reporter-Telegram after the event.

The Republican senator co-sponsored the Helping Unaccompanied Minors and Alleviating National Emergency (HUMANE) Act last month with Democratic U.S. Rep. Henry Cuellar to provide speedy trials for the children, but the bipartisan effort still drew fire.

"We're all very compassionate toward these children," Cornyn said. "But at the same time, our brains tell us we

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Colorado methane mandates set new precedent

By Jennifer A. Dlouhy
New York Times News Service

DENVER — Oil companies and environmentalists can find common ground, Noble Energy Inc. CEO Chuck Davidson said Tuesday, pointing to first-of-their-kind regulations in Colorado aimed at corralling methane emissions from drilling.

State regulators approved the methane mandates in February, after Noble, Anadarko Petroleum Corp., Encana Corp., the Environmental Defense Fund and other conservation groups reached agreement on the approach.

The air quality measure — now considered a model for federal regulators also looking to rein in emission of the potent greenhouse gas — forces oil and gas companies to do more to routinely search out methane leaks and gives them timelines for sealing them. Companies also will have to install emissions-control devices at new wells and on compressors, storage tanks and other equipment.

Speaking at the Rocky Mountain Energy Summit on Tuesday, Davidson said the industry-environmental collaboration on the air quality rules stemmed from a realization that some mandates were coming, whether oil companies cooperated or not.

"If it's there and we're facing it, we might as well face it head on, don't dodge it," Davidson said.

Although the rule scales the frequency of inspections to the size of individual drilling operations, it did not go far enough to ease cost concerns from smaller operators in the state and some with dry coalbed methane production.

Some oil-industry supporters put the price tag of complying with the new methane mandates around $20 million.

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Davis insists she'll win governor's race

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Democrat Wendy Davis insisted Tuesday she'll break her party's two-decade Texas losing streak and win the governor's race, saying turnout from long-disillusioned voters will be stronger than expected and enough to overcome her opponent's sizeable leads in campaign cash and opinion polls.

"In November, we will win and the people know it," Davis told about 100 cheering supporters at a Democratic campaign gathering in Austin.

A Democrat hasn't captured statewide office in Texas since 1994 and poll after poll has shown Davis struggling to make up ground against heavily favored Republican Attorney General Greg Abbott. In comments to reporters a short time later, Davis said, "The polls are going to go back and forth and up and down, and I'll leave it to the pundits to determine what that means to them."

"I trust the voters of Texas to understand why this race is so important, and I believe that they are showing up, and I believe they're going to vote," Davis said.

Abbott's campaign had no immediate response.

Stronger-than-expected voter turnout will be vital if Davis is going to stay competitive. Battleground Texas, a group led by former staffers from President Barack Obama's 2008 re-election campaign, is trying to turn a fiercely red state blue by mobilizing women and a booming Hispanic population, as well as other minorities.

So far, the only litmus test for those efforts came during the March primaries, when turnout was low and, though Davis easily captured her party's nomination, she suffered an embarrassment by losing some South Texas border counties to an obscure, 71-year-old challenger.

Davis became a rising Democratic star nationally by staging a 12 plus-hour filibuster last summer that temporarily blocked a law imposing strict new restrictions on abortions statewide. Since then, she's remained a fundraising powerhouse, announcing she'd raked in $11.2 million from late February through June.

Still, Abbott reported raising nearly as much over the same period and began last month with $36 million in campaign cash — about triple what Davis has.

On Tuesday, Davis blasted Abbott as a "political insider," claiming he's used the attorney general's office to side with big donors in the state's insurance and hospital industries, rather than ordinary Texans. Davis said Abbott intervened in a lawsuit on behalf of a hospital whose chairman is a donor and involving a doctor accused of injuring and even killing patients, and that he sided with another big donor, Farmers Insurance Company, in a legal dispute with homeowners.

"It's not acceptable that the governor's office is for sale," Davis said.

Listing

From 1A

with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, said wildlife, such as the chicken, go through boom-and-decline cycles, and the chicken's population saw a significant decline in 2012-2013 but its numbers have risen recently as parts of its habitat have received rain.

"There is cause for optimism," he said.

Wolf told Cornyn that his agency has tried to develop regulatory mechanisms to allow ranchers to continue their operations unchanged.

Luke Shipp, director of Zone 2 of the Texas Sheep and Goal Raisers Association, spoke as a rancher in Crockett County. He told Cornyn that Crockett County and his ranch were erroneously included in a FWS map of historic lesser prairie chicken habitats.

He expressed concern that the agency could tell him he couldn't graze his livestock in certain areas or plow certain areas because they may be nesting areas for the chicken or that he couldn't lease his land for construction of wind turbines because the chicken is afraid of tall structures.

"It's not known to what extent the Fish and Wildlife Service will want to regulate. They have a reputation for changing the rules in the middle of the game," he said.

The listing has impacted Midland International Airport's efforts to finalize its spaceport license.

Marv Esterly, director of airports for the city of Midland, explained that the airport recently received a letter from the Fish and Wildlife Service, in which the agency said that XCOR vehicles taking off from the airport "may have an effect on the chicken but it is highly unlikely to be an adverse effect."

When XCOR begins launches to the north of the airport, airport officials have agreed to send a biologist to study the effect of the sonic boom, which Esterly compared to a thunder clap. If the team decides that, after five launches, the chicken is not being adversely affected, "we're done."

"No one wants to adversely affect the environment, but we need science behind these regulations," Esterly said.

Cornyn agreed, pointing to several pieces of legislation that he has introduced. One would reduce funding for listing activities, including for the lesser prairie chicken, based on arbitrary decision deadlines reached in closed-door settlements. A second would prohibit the departments of Interior and Agriculture from altering land management practices based on the chicken's listing. The third would remove the lesser prairie chicken's listing until 2020 to allow time for conservation plans to take effect.

These listings are a threat to the thriving economy of the Permian Basin, which Cornyn noted is a significant supplier of the nation's energy and leading creator of well-paying jobs.

"Here we are in one of the most valuable, fastest-growing regions in the country, and once again the president is threatening to end that growth," Cornyn said.

The listings are part of federal government overreach, Cornyn said, and the settlements between the FWS and environmental groups cut local stakeholders out of the process. The 2011 settlements that resulted in the chicken's listing and could have resulted in the sagebrush lizard's listing are just the tip of the iceberg, he said.

That is why it is key that such decisions are made with local stakeholders, such as elected officials, landowners and businesses, that have say and that those decisions are based on sound science, Cornyn said.

"Your comments are a confirmation of my concern that the Fish and Wildlife Service is making policy with Endangered Species Act settlements driving priorities," he said.

County library to replace damaged carpet at downtown location

By Joseph Basco
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Midland County Public Library has begun the three-week process of replacing downtown branch carpet that was damaged by leaks from the severe thunderstorm in June.

The work of replacing 33,000 square feet of carpet will be done after hours. But during the three weeks, some materials may be taken off shelves and unavailable to the public until the carpet is replaced and the shelves are moved back into place.

Library Director John Trischitti said the crew in charge of replacing the carpet may come in an hour or two before the branch closes and work during the night, so hours will not change.

The entire carpet replacement costs $680,000, but Midland County is paying only a $25,000 deductible.

The carpet is needed because leaks were discovered after the June 18 thunderstorm in which hail, lightning and 60 mph winds swept through Midland. The leaks damaged the carpet in the children's and catalog areas, near the back door and also parts of the walls, Trischitti said.

Additional areas in the building that will receive new carpet include the computer lab, front entrance and nonfiction area. Two areas that will not get new carpet is the administrative area on the first floor and the entire second floor. Trischitti said the second floor didn't receive any water damage.

"The first floor is where the heavy foot traffic is, and we have some really bad stains, so it's really going to be a night-and-day difference when all the carpet gets laid," Trischitti said.

Trischitti is hoping that the new carpets will start a series of renovations. One idea the library director has for the upcoming budget cycle is a new coat of paint on the facility.

County commissioners previously approved a new projector for the downtown branch, akin to the ones at Centennial branch, that will display library program announcements and community bulletins.

"Within the next few months to a year, you'll see some nice changes come downtown, touch-ups that need to happen," Trischitti said.

CRIMEBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Teen arrested for allegedly assaulting nurse

A Midland teen remained in custody Tuesday after he was arrested for allegedly assaulting a hospital employee.

Stoelzel

Andrew L. Stoelzel, 18, is being held on a $25,000 bond for a third-degree felony charge of assault against an emergency medical service personnel while providing service.

Midland police officers were dispatched to Midland Memorial Hospital around 9 p.m. Sunday in reference to a combative patient. Officers were required to assist several hospital employees restrain Stoelzel, according to the arrest report.

Officers said it took a considerable amount of time, manpower, restraints and sedatives to subdue Stoelzel, who was "under the heavy influence of an unknown narcotic," according to the arrest affidavit.

Before officers arrived, Stoelzel grabbed a nurse and punched her in the face, according to the affidavit.

If convicted of the third-degree felony, Stoelzel could face up to 10 years in prison.

FELONYARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Tyron D. Davis, 34, of Midland was arrested Monday on a charge of theft.

Jonathan B. Green, 38, of Midland was arrested Monday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

Sandrella L. Hill, 33, of Midland was arrested Monday on a charge of obstruction.

Angela N. Montez, 26, of Midland was arrested Monday on a charge of endangering a child.

Miguel A. Munoz, 20, of Midland was arrested Monday on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

Tiemika S. Simmons, 31, of Midland was arrested Monday on a charge of obstruction.

Andrew L. Stoelzel, 18, of Midland was arrested Monday on a charge of assault against a medical responder.

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HOUSTON

SEC: City Oil company made fraudulent claims

The federal Securities and Exchange Commission has determined that a Houston oil and gas company misled investors by making fraudulent claims about its oil reserves.

The SEC announced Monday that Houston American Energy Corp. and its CEO, John F. Terwilliger, had claimed that a Colombian exploration venture had yielded between 1 billion and 4 billion barrels of oil reserves. But the SEC says the estimates "lacked any reasonable basis."

SEC officials said false claims made by the company in 2009 and 2010 allowed it to raise about $13 million in a public offering and saw its stock price increase from $5 per share to $20. Houston American now trades for about 40 cents per share.

A phone message left for an attorney representing Houston American was not immediately returned.

AUSTIN

Texas troopers make July holiday DWI arrests

Texas troopers on the lookout for suspected drunken drivers made nearly 1,100 DWI arrests over the Fourth of July holiday period.

The Texas Department of Public Safety on Tuesday announced results of stepped-up enforcement during an 11-day period that ended July 7.

DPS troopers made 1,051 DWI arrests during the time frame.

The holiday enforcement effort also resulted in more than 15,000 speeding citations, more than 2,500 seat belt/child safety seat citations, 626 fugitive arrests, and 564 felony arrests.

The increased patrols were funded through a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation.

AUSTIN

Lawmakers discuss border security, West explosion

A legislative committee is scrutinizing increased efforts to secure the Texas-Mexico border amid a surge of unaccompanied immigrant children crossing into the U.S.

Members of the state House Homeland Security and Public Safety Committee will get an update Tuesday on Gov. Rick Perry's ordered deployment of 1,000 National Guard troops to the border. That is costing Texas roughly $12 million per month.

Also likely to be discussed is the governor and other top Republicans' authorization to spend an extra $1.3 million a week to aid Department of Public Safety border operations.

The committee is also mulling proposed legislation on the storage of ammonium nitrate. That chemical was stored in flammable wooden contains at a fertilizer plant in the town of West, where a 2013 explosion killed 15 people.

DALLAS

41,000 motorists mistakenly charged toll

The Texas Department of Transportation said it's fixing a billing system that erroneously charged more than 41,000 motorists.

The department told the Dallas Morning News on Monday that the effected motorists drove a new toll road in the Dallas-Fort Worth area during a free period. The department billed for more than 192,000 transactions between May 27 and July 6.

It's unclear what caused the errors.

The North Texas Tollway Authority has an agreement with TxDOT to bill customers who use state-developed toll lanes. An authority spokesman says his agency will credit all TollTag users who were wrongly billed. He says that amount was about $171,000.

He said bills for drivers without TollTags won't be mailed out.

Department spokesman Tony Hartzel said the agency is "taking steps to rectify it."

GRAND PRAIRIE

Grand Prairie man charged in hit-and-run death

A Dallas-area man has been arrested following the hit-and-run death of one highway worker and injuries to another along a toll road.

Dallas County jail records show 24-year-old Francisco Castillo of Grand Prairie was being held Tuesday on charges of accident involving death and accident involving injury.

Bond was set at $200,000 for Castillo, who was arrested Monday afternoon at his home. Online jail records don't list an attorney for Castillo in the case involving a wreck before dawn Monday on the President George Bush Turnpike in Grand Prairie.

Police believe Castillo was driving a car that crashed into a highway maintenance vehicle and a trailer. The accident killed 41-year-old Camerino Sixtos as he put down reflective markers. Another worker was slightly hurt.

The car driver and a passenger fled.

RAYMONDVILLE

2 held in killing of off-duty Border Patrol agent

Two men from Mexico face capital murder and other charges after an off-duty Border Patrol agent was fatally shot and his father wounded during a South Texas fishing trip.

Willacy County Sheriff Larry Spence said investigators believe the suspects tried to rob Agent Javier Vega Jr. of Kingsville and his family.

Hospital officials didn't immediately return a message Tuesday on the condition of Javier Vega Sr. of La Feria.

The Vegas were shot Sunday night while fishing near Santa Monica with relatives. The suspects were captured in nearby Sebastian. Authorities have not confirmed their identities.

Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson in a statement Tuesday said the younger Vega was a veteran of the Marine Corps and served the Border Patrol for six years.

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MANDATES

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the Colorado Petroleum Association said the cost is likely to be five times that, around $100 million.

And even though Noble backed the new rule, Davidson noted Tuesday that the company doesn't view the required changes as a money-maker just because potentially leaked gas can instead be captured and sold. New methane monitoring and leak detection programs will cost the company "several million dollars a year," he said.

What happens in Colorado already may be exported to other states, as Ohio and Wyoming have already moved to limit methane emissions from oil and gas activities.

It also is likely to serve as a model for Obama administration officials in the nation's capital, where the Environmental Protection Agency is set to decide later this year on whether new regulations are needed to clamp down on methane.

Methane, the main component of natural gas, is 28 to 34 times more potent than carbon dioxide over 100 years, even though it dissipates much more quickly in the atmosphere.

"What we did in Colorado was very specific to some of the conditions in Colorado. ... We have to be thoughtful before we try to apply the Colorado model to everyone. One size does not fit all."

Chuck Davidson, CEO of Noble Energy Inc.

Davidson said methane regulation should spread beyond Colorado's borders and the emissions must "be addressed more broadly."

But he cautioned against a wholesale adoption of the Colorado approach nationwide.

"What we did in Colorado was very specific to some of the conditions in Colorado," he said. "We have to be thoughtful before we try to apply the Colorado model to everyone. One size does not fit all."

Both Davidson and Environmental Defense Fund President Fred Krupp noted the difficulty of the months-long negotiations over the air quality regulations.

"There were moments of rough sledding where both sides thought about walking away," Krupp said.

But Krupp stressed that stakeholders tried to work toward mandates that would minimize cost while maximizing performance.

"At the beginning, we really tried to stand in Noble's and Anadarko's shoes and understand what were there operating realities, what were their concerns," Krupp recalled. "I think they tried to do the same."

Under Krupp, the EDF's willingness to work with the oil industry on issues around the design of wells, the content of fluids pumped underground and, now, methane, has drawn fire from some environmentalists.

Krupp acknowledged that EDF "took a lot of heat" for collaborating with oil industry leaders to find compromises on those issues. "It's no fun to have your friends raking you over the coals," he said.

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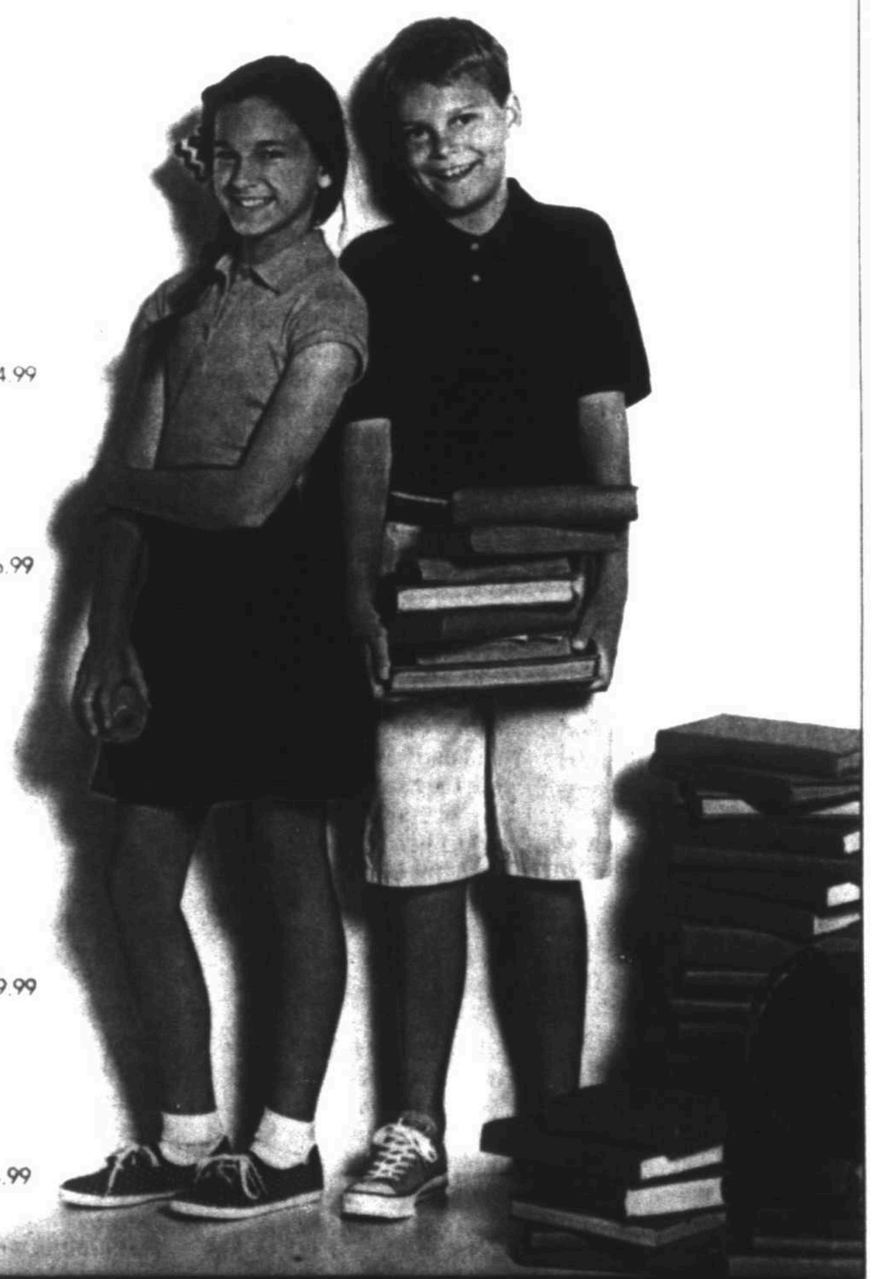

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Admission: $2; kids under 2 are free. For more information, call 685-7356.

When you can water

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

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

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

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

The washing outdoor surfaces ban is still in effect.

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

Sales tax holiday

The annual sales tax holiday is scheduled for Friday through Sunday. The law applies to most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced under $100.

For a complete list of apparel and school supplies that may be purchased tax free is available at www.TexasTaxHoliday.org. This is the 15th year that shoppers will receive the tax break, according to a press release from the Texas Comptroller's Office.

For more information see Friday's Reporter-Telegram.

Club and support group meetings today

■ Overeaters Anonymous; noon B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.

■ Alcoholics Anonymous: Serenity Group, 8 p.m. 3101 N. A St., Building C, 685-3100; 710 Group, 7 a.m., noon and 8 p.m., 710 Ohio Ave., 682-8162; Laundry Group, noon and 8 p.m.,104 N. Marshall St.; Xodus Group, 8:30 p.m, 206 N. Midkiff Road.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 1-7-0
Pick 3 day: 9-7-3
Pick 3 evening: 1-5-0
Pick 3 night: 5-7-3
Daily 4 morning: 1-1-8-2
Daily 4 day: 3-3-3-4
Daily 4 evening: 9-7-4-1
Daily 4 night: 4-8-5-0
Cash Five: 6-14-16-29-32
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All or Nothing day: 1-3-4-7-9-11-14-16-18-21-22-24
All or Nothing evening: 1-4-10-13-14-15-16-18-19-21-22-24
All or Nothing night: 5-6-8-10-11-12-16-17-18-20-23-24

Today in history

Today is Wednesday, August 6, the 218th day of 2014. There are 147 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1930, New York State Supreme Court Justice Joseph Force Crater went missing after leaving a Manhattan restaurant; his disappearance remains a mystery.

In 1945, during World War II, the United States dropped an atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan, resulting in an estimated 140,000 deaths.

In 1961, Soviet cosmonaut Gherman Titov became the second man to orbit Earth as he flew aboard Vostok 2.

In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Voting Rights Act.

In 1978, Pope Paul VI died at Castel Gandolfo at age 80.

In 1986, William J. Schroeder died at at Humana Hospital-Audubon in Louisville, Kentucky, after living 620 days with the Jarvik 7 artificial heart.

Ten years ago: A court found two former top East German officials guilty of failing to stop the killing of people trying to escape across the Berlin Wall and sentenced them to probation.

One year ago:

U.S. Army Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan went on trial at Fort Hood, Texas, charged with killing 13 people and wounding 32 others in a 2009 attack. (Hasan, who admitted carrying out the attack, was convicted and sentenced to death.)

Today's birthdays:

Actor Dorian Harewood is 64. Basketball Hall of Famer David Robinson is 49. Movie writer-director M. Night Shyamalan is 44. Actress Merrin Dungey is 43. Singer Geri Halliwell is 42. Actor Jason O'Mara is 42. Singer-actor David Campbell is 41. Actress Vera Farmiga is 41. Actress Ever Carradine is 40. Actress Soleil Moon Frye is 38. Actress Melissa George is 38. Rock singer Travis McCoy (Gym Class Heroes) is 33. Actor Leslie Odom Jr. is 33. Actress Romola Garai is 32. Rock musician Eric Roberts (Gym Class Heroes) is 30.

Texas eased rules for housing immigrant children

Associated Press

McALLEN — Overwhelmed by the arrival of thousands of unaccompanied immigrant children, the state of Texas relaxed its standards for the shelters that house them, easing rules governing how much space each child needs and what kind of facilities they should have.

In some ways, the response to the influx resembled the reaction to a hurricane, with federally contracted shelters asking the state licensing agency to temporarily bend some of its regulations to accommodate a large population of children.

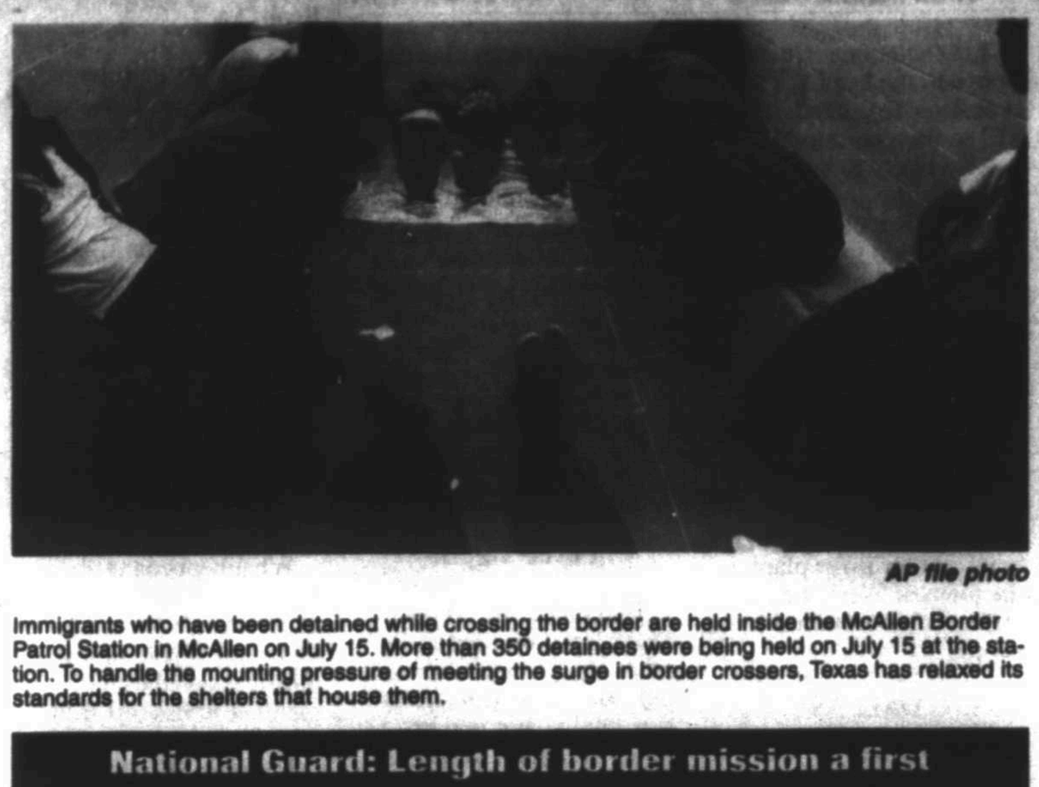
As with a natural disaster, President Barack Obama put the Federal Emergency Management Agency in charge of coordinating the government's response. Disaster-relief teams towed their portable showers and kitchens to the border, and Catholic Charities took donations and distributed clothing and supplies to the displaced.

Kyle Janek, executive commissioner of Texas Health and Human Services, instructed the state body that licenses shelters to work with them.

"Because of the large numbers we were seeing in a short period of time," Janek said, he directed the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services to lower shelter standards to the same level as after a hurricane. He made the remarks late last month in testimony to a legislative committee.

The regulatory changes reduced the number of square feet required for each child and allowed more children to be housed per available toilet, sink and shower. Some shelters proposed having additional kids sleep on cots — an idea that was approved. A suggestion to give them air mattresses was denied, according to shelter documents obtained by The Associated Press through an open-records request.

Even with the changes, the shelters are a world away from the crowded conditions in the Border Patrol station holding cells where children were held for days for processing. At the shelters, children take classes, receive hot meals and can play.



AP file photo

Immigrants who have been detained while crossing the border are held inside the McAllen Border Patrol Station in McAllen on July 15. More than 350 detainees were being held on July 15 at the station. To handle the mounting pressure of meeting the surge in border crossers, Texas has relaxed its standards for the shelters that house them.

National Guard: Length of border mission a first

AUSTIN — The commander overseeing 1,000 National Guard troops being sent to the Rio Grande Valley says the open-ended mission is a first for the reserve military force.

Maj. Gen. John Nichols told lawmakers Tuesday in Austin that although the National Guard has been sent to the border twice since 2006, it has never faced such a potentially long-term deployment. Nichols has said they've planned to be on the border for a year.

Gov. Rick Perry last month announced the deployment. His orders came as the U.S. Border Patrol grappled with an overwhelming surge of unaccompanied children coming into Texas.

The deployment will cost the state upward of $3 million a week. Perry has said the Guardsmen are necessary to help free up state troopers who are pursuing crime along the border.

More than 57,000 children, most from Central America, entered the U.S. illegally between October and June without a parent or guardian. That was more than double the number who arrived over the same period a year earlier.

Requests for rule exceptions, called variances, are evaluated for hygiene concerns and the potential risk for the spread of diseases such as chicken pox and tuberculosis, as well as "maintaining appropriate supervision ratios," Patrick Crimmins, a spokesman for the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, said in an email.

At the end of July, nine Texas shelters were operating with variances that allowed additional capacity, Crimmins said.

"This is obviously not business as usual. If a provider steps up and wants to try and shelter more children, we will help make that happen," he said.

Once they are processed by the Border Patrol, children are placed in the custody of the government's Office of Refugee Resettlement. They stay at federal government shelters until they reunite with family members in the U.S. or move to longer-term foster care to await their day in immigration court.

After hovering around 6,000 or 7,000 for several years, the number of children in the federal shelters doubled in 2012 and doubled again in 2013, before surging higher still this year.

The agency responded by increasing the number of available beds in its shelter network — from 3,300 in 2012 to 5,000 in 2013. With the addition of three temporary shelters, that number rose this year to more than 7,000.

At the end of July, the shelter caseload was down to about 6,300 children in 100 permanent facilities and three large temporary shelters on military bases in Texas, Oklahoma and California. The caseload had been more than 7,600 in mid-June.

On Monday, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced that it was suspending operations at three temporary shelters in coming weeks because the number of children crossing the border has declined and because the agency had "expanded capacity to care for children in standard shelters."

Some of that additional capacity was achieved by adding beds to existing shelters.

One application by Southwest Key Programs, an Austin-based nonprofit that is the country's largest supplier of services to unaccompanied minors, noted that it would be adding two children to each room of four, reducing the space per child from 60 square feet to 40 square feet. A program spokeswoman confirmed they had requested variances, but did not respond to requests for interviews.

Because the rule change was being requested for only a short time, "purchasing frame beds would not be practical," according to the program's application. The nonprofit planned to purchase air mattresses or cots. The state approved the variance but stipulated that air mattresses were not acceptable.

For other variances that loosened state standards requiring one sink, toilet and shower for every eight children, the state required shelters to make a schedule to ensure that every child had sufficient time for personal hygiene.

Immigrants try to clear hurdle toward asylum

New York Times News Service

In recent years, many "credible fear" claims were approved, but critics say asylum process is abused.

Elizabeth Ramos Lizama, 22, sat in a drab room at a women's holding cell at the detention center north of Austin and grimly told her tale to an immigration judge in San Antonio.

She was accosted by a man who tried to rape her, and he later threatened her when she fled her village in El Salvador to the country's capital.

While hiding out with an aunt there, she witnessed three women kidnapped from a bus by gang members and saw on the news that they were later killed. She feared that might happen to her, so she left El Salvador on April 25 and arrived more than a month later in the Rio Grande Valley, where she turned herself over to Border Patrol agents.

Facing expedited removal, Ramos expressed "credible fear" to an asylum officer, the first hurdle in pursuing an asylum claim, which can take up to two or three years.

But the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services denied her claim. She appealed to the immigration court for a credible fear review.

Ramos appeared last month via teleconference before Immigration Judge Anibal Martinez . She repeated her story, but many of the questions were fashioned so she could only answer yes or no. One key question was whether she ever told the authorities. No, she told the Martinez.

The process was over in 30 minutes. She lost. She cannot appeal further and is headed back to the home country she feared.

"I'm sorry for what happened to you, but I have to base my decision on the law, and not sympathy," Martinez told Ramos, who choked back tears. "U.S. asylum law doesn't protect against all harm, like criminal activity or general conditions of violence in one's country, such as gang violence. I think that's the case here ... I'll uphold the decision of the asylum officer."

In 2013, 85 percent of fear claims were found to be credible, according to federal figures. As more Central Americans have fled to the U.S., fear claims have spiked, more than doubling in 2013 to 36,026 from 13,931 in 2012.

But the chances have not improved much to win asylum in the end. In 2012, immigration courts approved 34 percent of asylum petitions from migrants facing deportation—2,888 cases nationwide.

"It's easier to pursue asylum for someone fleeing violence in Kosovo than it is for someone from Central America," noted Pennsylvania immigration lawyer Craig Shagin .

He has represented clients from a detention center for immigrant women and children in the town of Leesport. It was the only such center in the country until the federal government opened two more earlier this year, including one southeast of San Antonio.

Credible fear reviews pepper the dockets of San Antonio center, and on a recent day, all of the petitioners were rejected.

They included a 31-year-old woman from Honduras who said she fled after her husband was robbed and killed by the same gangs who later began trying to rob and extort her. In another case, a 20-year-old Honduran woman whose husband lives in the U.S. illegally said she fled violence of the maras (gangs).

Other cases involved men in their 20s who rejected forced recruitment by the gangs, and a 24-year-old woman who accompanied a 13-year-old friend of the family from their native El Salvador to the Texas border.

The process for minors is different. Because of a 2008 law, unaccompanied youths from countries other than Mexico and Canada don't have to pass the "credible fear" hurdle, but can directly file asylum cases in the immigration courts.

Immigration advocates said the government's credible fear approval figures are outdated — that they represent what happened before the most recent surge, in which almost 60,000 Central Americans have fled their homelands and have been caught crossing the Texas border since October.

Political clamoring to clamp down on the asylum process has led to changes, the lawyers said.

"The Obama administration severely tightened the credible fear process in February of this year, so that now I believe the majority do not pass anymore," said immigration lawyer David Walding who runs the Bernardo Kohler Center in Austin, which focuses on helping abandoned immigrant children and trafficking victims.

"Before, they would pass if it was for fear of gangs, but the new instructions really affected Central Americans, especially those from Honduras, Guatemala and El Salvador," he said.

The credible fear process aims to ensure that bona fide asylum seekers are not subjected to the expedited removal process and deported without the opportunity to request protection. If they pass the credible fear hurdle, they can be released from detention by seeking bond.

Steps to asylum

An immigrant from a country not contiguous to the U.S., who is detained crossing into the U.S. for the first time can seek asylum, but must pass an initial hurdle known as "credible fear." This is how it works:

■ Immigrant is detained by the Border Patrol.

■ The person expresses fear of return to home country for fear of persecution because of race, religion, nationality, political opinion or membership in a particular social group.

■ Immigrant put on list for interview with asylum officer with U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Interview sometimes done over the phone or videoconference, other times in person.

■ If approved, the case moves to asylum proceedings and the applicant can also seek bond. If denied, the person stays in custody and can seek a credible fear review hearing by an immigration judge.

■ If the applicant passes credible fear review, case goes to asylum proceedings. If denied, the person cannot appeal and is placed back in removal (deportation) process.

Sources: American Immigration Lawyers Association; Asociación de Servicios Para el Inmigrante; The Bernardo Kohler Center

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From 1A

can't just open our borders to anybody and everybody who wants to come because it overwhelms our ability to deal with it."

Drug, weapon and people smugglers are making "big money" on an immigration loophole that requires unaccompanied minors from non-contiguous countries to receive special treatment, said Cornyn, noting his bill would modify the law.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security expects Texas Border Patrol stations to apprehend up to 90,000 children by the end of fiscal year 2014 — nearly three times as many as last year. The border crisis is draining federal financial resources, said Secretary of Homeland Security Jeh Johnson.

"Put plainly, without supplemental funding, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement will run out of money (in August)," Johnson said in a prepared statement. "DHS would need to divert significant funds from other critical programs just to maintain operations."

Last month, Gov. Rick Perry criticized the lack of federal response and deployed 1,000 National Guard troops to the border, according to the Texas Tribune. The state also recently eased its shelter standards to accommodate all of the children, the Associated Press reported.

"We need a solution. This is not a solution to all the problems, but it does provide a way for these children to appear in front of an immigration judge on a timely basis," Cornyn said. "It will allow them to return back safely to their home countries."

IMMIGRATON BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

DENVER

City offers to take in some children from border

Denver is offering to take care of some of the immigrant children who have flooded across the border in recent months.

The city announced Tuesday that it has submitted an application for a $12 million federal grant over three years to provide housing, counseling and other services to 60 children at a time. If the offer is accepted, the children would live for about a month on average in an underused family shelter called the Family Crisis Center.

"During that time we would provide several services: medical, counseling, legal, acculturation services for them. Educational services, so schooling as well," Denver Human Services Executive Director Penny May said.

Other organizations would help reunite the children with family who might be living in the United States. The total number of children who would come through the shelter hasn't been determined.

BOSTON

Feds nix immigration shelter offer

Massachusetts won't be hosting unaccompanied children crossing the nation's southern border after all.

Federal Health and Human Services officials informed Gov. Deval Patrick on Tuesday that due to an easing of the number of unaccompanied children apprehended at the border, the Obama administration is no longer seeking facilities for temporary shelters for the unaccompanied minors.

Patrick had offered either Camp Edwards military base on Cape Cod and Westover Air Reserve Base in Chicopee as possible locations to house up to 1,000 of the children.

The offer met with stiff opposition from some local officials.

2nd American aid worker with Ebola arrives in US

Associated Press

ATLANTA — An American aid worker infected with Ebola arrived in Atlanta on Tuesday, joining a second patient being given an experimental treatment that has never before been tested on humans.

Nancy Writebol, 59, traveled from Monrovia, Liberia, to Emory University Hospital, just downhill from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. She arrived two days after Kent Brantly, a doctor with whom she had worked in Liberia and who also contracted Ebola, showed up for treatment.

The differences were stark in how they went from the ambulance to Emory, which has a highly specialized isolation unit. While Brantly, 33, was able to walk with assistance into the hospital, Writebol — covered from head to toe in a protective suit — was wheeled in on a stretcher.

Still, the 59-year-old Writebol was described as weak but showing signs of improvement.

"A week ago we were thinking about making funeral arrangements for Nancy," her husband, David Writebol, said in a statement read by the president of SIM USA, the aid group with which she was working in Liberia. "Now we have a real reason to be hopeful."

Brantly and Writebol were both infected despite taking precautions as they treated Ebola patients in West Africa, where the virus has been spreading faster than governments can contain it, killing nearly 900 people so far.

The treatment, called ZMapp, was developed with U.S. military funding by a San Diego company, using antibodies harvested from lab animals that had been injected with parts of the Ebola virus. Tobacco plants in Kentucky are being used to make the treatment.

It's impossible to know whether the drug saved these workers, CDC Director Tom Frieden emphasized. "Every medicine has risks and benefits," he said to reporters at a health symposium in Kentucky. "Until we do a study, we don't know if it helps, if it hurts, or if it doesn't make any difference."

If the treatment works, it could create pressure to speed through testing and production to help contain the disease in Africa.

There is no vaccine or specific treatment for Ebola, but several are under development, including ZMapp, made by Mapp Biopharmaceutical Inc. It works by boosting the immune system's efforts to fight the virus. The U.S. Defense Threat Reduction Agency announced last month that it is providing more funding to speed the drug's development.

Brantly and Writebol were working at a missionary clinic outside Liberia's capital. David Writebol remains in Liberia, where he said his wife's care was extraordinary.

"It's not like having a nurse come in every hour to fluff up your pillow," he said in his statement. "It's more like going into a nuclear reactor. The suits are clumsy, hot and uncomfortable. But it was like watching the love of Christ take place right before your eyes."

Attorneys appeal abortion-rule injunction

Associated Press

TUCSON, Ariz. — The U.S. Supreme Court could have the ultimate say on whether Arizona's new abortion-medication restrictions — considered the most stringent in the nation, but put on hold by a federal appeals court — should take effect.

State attorneys said they will ask the Supreme Court to overturn a temporary stay on the rules that regulate where and how women can take drugs that induce abortion. The rules also block the use of the abortion medication after the seventh week of pregnancy instead of the ninth.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in April issued an injunction on the rules while the case against them plays out in federal court in Tucson. But that case will now be on hold while Arizona asks the Supreme Court to remove the stay.

Bryan Howard, president and CEO of Planned Parenthood Arizona, said the move by Arizona Attorney General Tom Horne was politically motivated and a waste of taxpayer dollars. "If you believe this is in the interest of the women of Arizona, well then go back to Tucson and make that case," Howard said.

A federal judge in Tucson, where the case is being heard, initially denied Planned Parenthood its request for an injunction. His ruling was overturned by the appeals court.

Horne spokeswoman Stephanie Grisham declined to comment because of the pending litigation.

But Horne has argued that Planned Parenthood did not have enough evidence to show the restrictions were detrimental. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals did not agree with Horne, instead saying that women would likely suffer irreparable harm if the rules were allowed to take effect. Horne has also said the organization cannot prove that regulations would place an undue burden on women's right to abortion.

The rules ban women from taking the most common abortion-inducing drug — RU-486 — after the seventh week of pregnancy. Women had been allowed to take the abortion pill through nine weeks of pregnancy. They also require that the drug be administered only at the Food and Drug Administration-approved dosage and that both doses be taken at a clinic.

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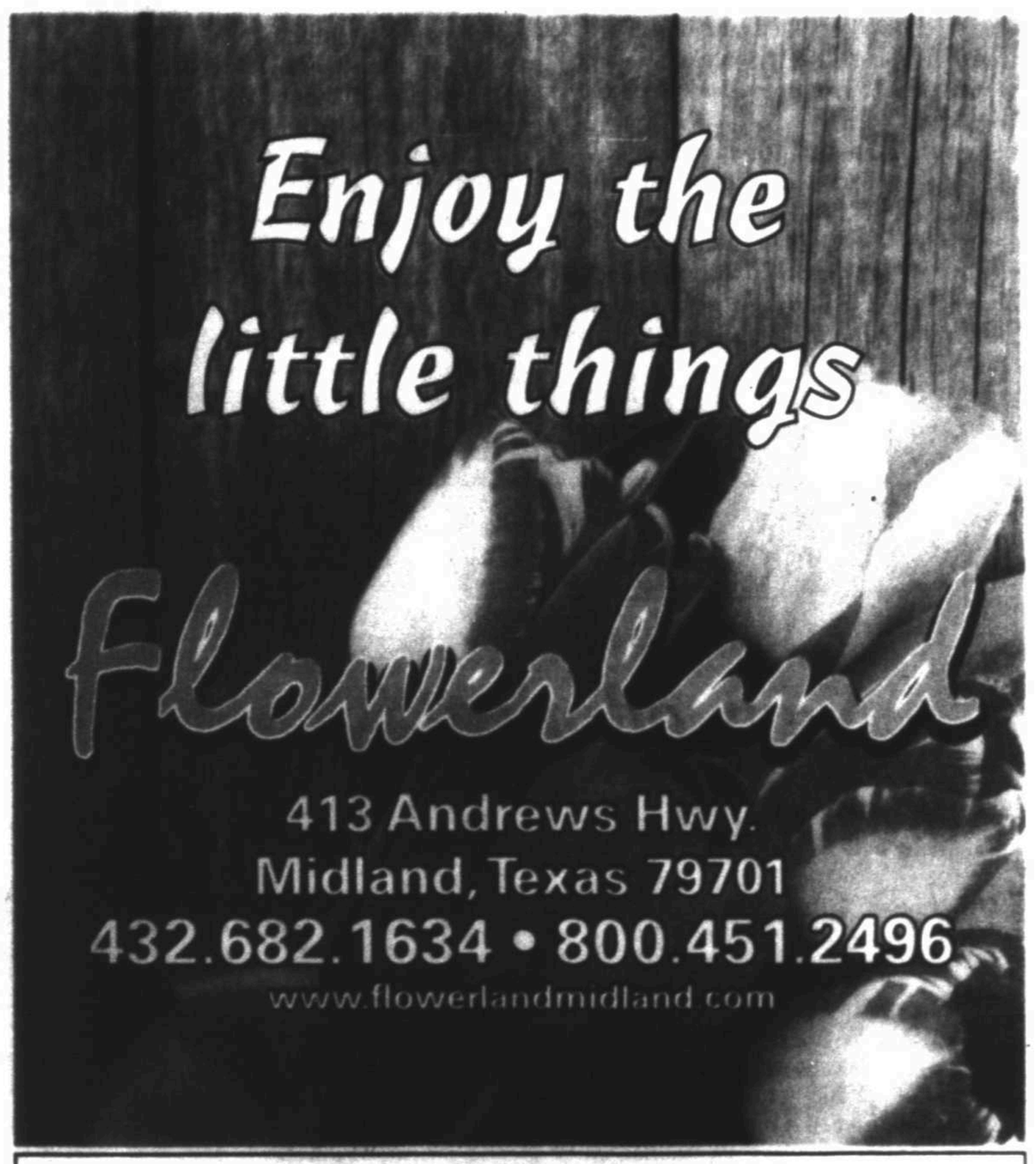

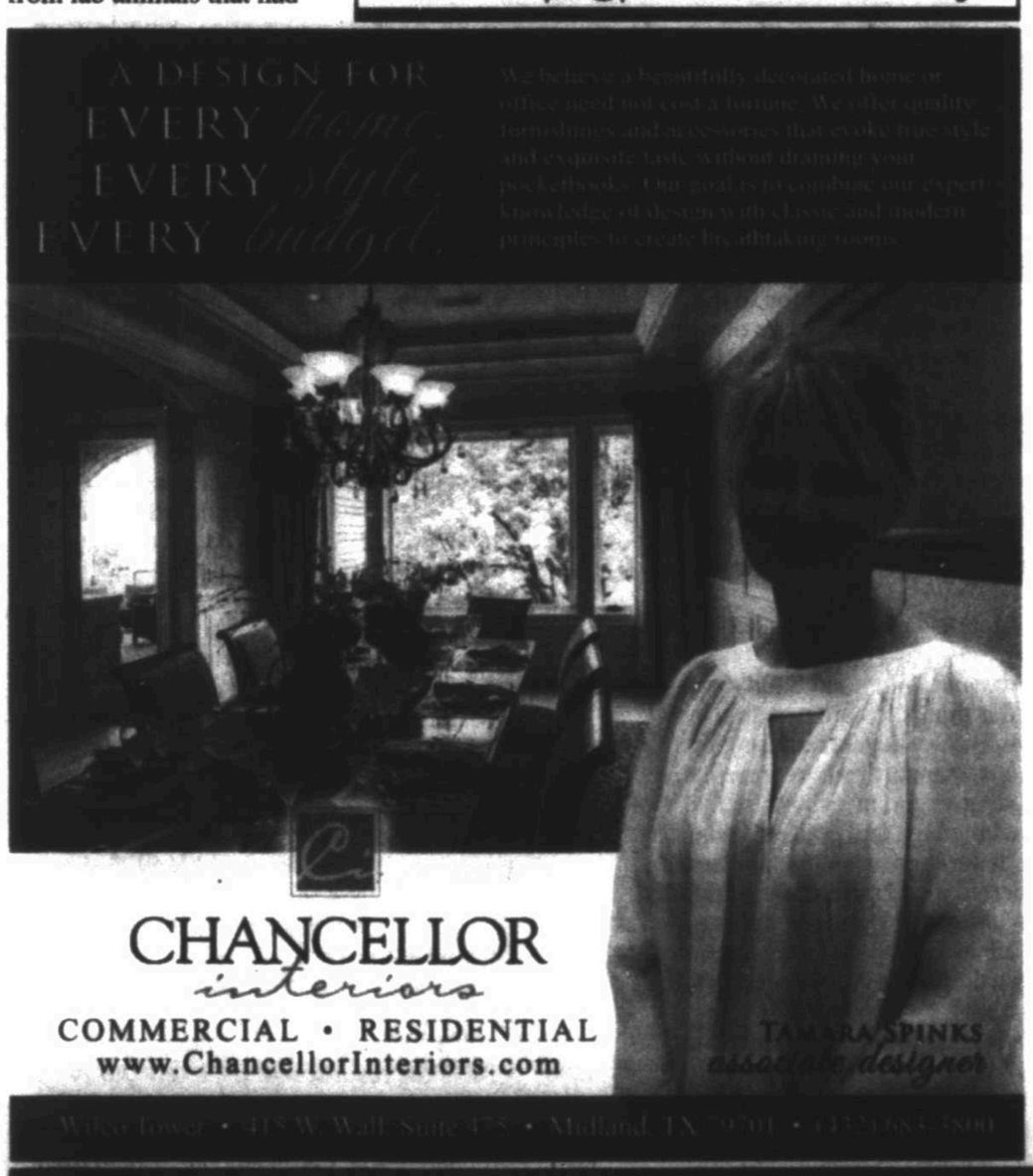

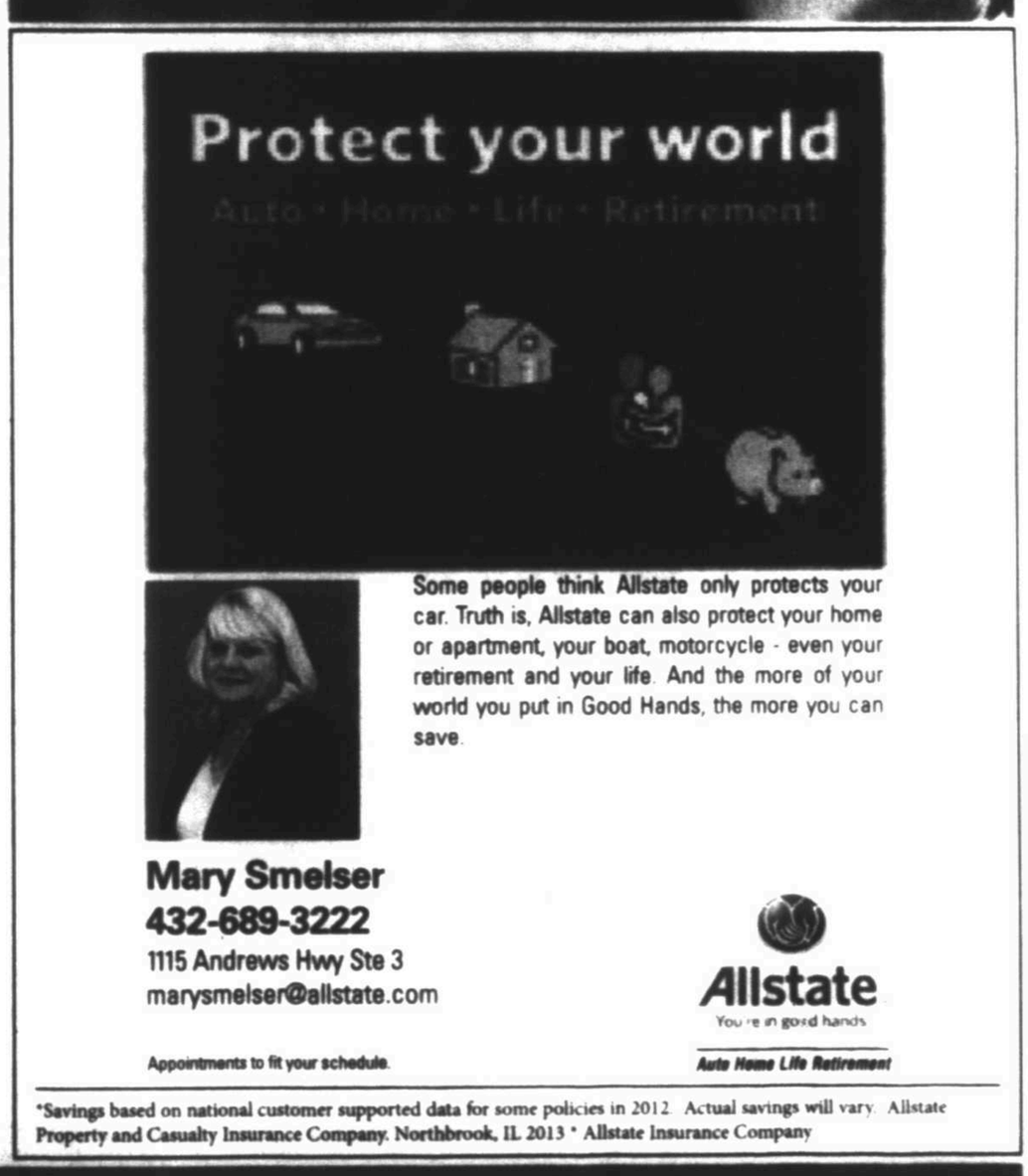

GOP afraid of deferred action program

■ Republicans attack DACA as a way to deal with the border crisis, though the two are unrelated

RUBEN NAVARETTE
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I once used the term "spoiled brats" to describe "dreamers," those young undocumented immigrants brought here by their parents who demand special accommodations such as the deferred action program that President Obama unveiled in 2012. They're spoiled because they get seats in the lifeboat and tons of positive media attention.

Yet now I think the real spoiled brats are those House Republicans who — with no skill for leading the downtrodden — settle for punishing the defenseless. The lawmakers resemble the petulant child who loses a ball game and then storms into the house and kicks the dog. Having lost the debate, GOP lawmakers recently went to the House floor and kicked the "dreamers."

In a vote that was purely symbolic because the Senate had adjourned, and because Obama had threatened a veto, 212 Republicans joined with four Democrats to pass a spiteful and unnecessary measure demanding an end to a program called Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA. Under the program, eligible young people can apply for a work permit and a two-year reprieve from deportation.

The GOP lawmakers launched their gratuitous attack on DACA under the pretext of dealing with the border crisis involving thousands of unaccompanied minors from Central America.

That's rubbish. One has absolutely nothing to do with the other. You don't stop more children from coming to the United States by punishing teenagers and 20-somethings who are already here, and who have been here most of their lives.

If House Republicans were looking for reasons to challenge DACA, I could have provided a list. The program is imperfect.

To start with, DACA was quickly cut and pasted and not thought out, as immigration attorneys would learn. The implementation was sloppy, and "dreamers" were slow to sign up. Some of those encouraged to apply for the temporary deferment were actually eligible for permanent legal status.

The emphasis was on politics over policy. One of the main reasons Obama unveiled DACA in June 2012 was because, two months earlier, it was widely reported that Republican Sen. Marco Rubio of Florida was working on a GOP bill that would have offered permanent legal status to the same group. The White House beat him to the punch.

Also, the mechanics are dubious. Applicants turn themselves into authorities, get fingerprinted, create a file with personal information including home addresses — all for a temporary fix to a complicated problem. Despite what some claim, DACA isn't an executive order but simply a policy change at the Department of Homeland Security. This means it can be easily undone by this administration or the next one.

Lastly, the program is elitist and unfair. It gives special treatment to students but not their parents and younger siblings.

But DACA didn't cause the border crisis.

Republicans think the program is the bureaucratic equivalent of a pied piper that, just since October 2013, has lured at least 57,000 child refugees from Guatemala, Honduras and El Salvador to cross the U.S.-Mexico border.

This is a fairy tale concocted by opportunistic politicians who despise DACA because they fear it produces future Latino Democrats.

What a moronic bunch. Do you know what produces future Latino Democrats? Present-day Republicans, with their gift for angering Latinos.

The GOP's arguments connecting DACA with the arrival of the child refugees quickly fell apart. To start with, it is now known the administration first became aware of an unexpected surge in minors from Central America coming across the border as early as 2011, and DACA didn't start until August 2012. Also, the refugee kids don't meet the cutoff date to be eligible for the program. Conservatives insist that these children from Central America know every detail about DACA. But the kids somehow missed the fine print about how the program is not for them?

House Republicans are afraid of DACA. Yet they don't have the courage to state their true intentions. By blaming it for the border crisis, they're hiding like cowards behind a cloak of lies and false assumptions.

The issue here isn't border security. It's the Republicans' insecurity: that if DACA recipients are eventually given citizenship and the right to cast ballots, the GOP will never be in a position to compete for those voters.

That's true. And, thanks to their antics, it's becoming truer all the time.

GUEST VIEW

San Antonio Express-News

Navy admiral is excellent choice for UT System chancellor

Adm. William McRaven, a 1977 University of Texas graduate who grew up in San Antonio, is an excellent choice as chancellor of the University of Texas System.

The naming of a nontraditional candidate, a former Navy SEAL with 37 years military experience and a proven record of leadership, provides optimism that Texas is ready to move beyond the controversies surrounding the university system.

It was encouraging that the politically anointed did not automatically make it to the top of the applicant list and that the search committee looked beyond the expected field of candidates.

More institutions of higher education are recruiting leaders from the nonacademics ranks. The leadership of Robert Gates, former director of the CIA and U.S. Secretary of Defense, who led Texas A&M University from 2002 to 2006, is a good example of how well that can work.

McRaven, 58, who is head of U.S. Special Operations Command in Tampa, Florida, retires from the military later this month and will take his new post in January. UT System Chancellor Francisco Cigarroa, who announced his resignation in February, will be assuming duties as head of the pediatric transplant team at the UT Health Science Center in San Antonio before the start of the spring semester.

The honeymoon period will be short for McRaven. The Legislature convenes in January and, as always, the state's colleges and universities will wage campaigns to ensure their fair share of the funding.

The UT System is also establishing two new medical schools and merging the Brownsville and Edinburg campuses into the new University of Texas-Rio Grande Valley.

Managing the operations of the UT System, which includes nine academic and six health campuses, 90,000 employees and about 215,000 students, should not be too daunting a task for someone experienced in dealing with the Pentagon, Congress and the White House.

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Colleges need to be more transparent

■ Schools should be required to conduct surveys on sexual violence on campus and report results

CATHERINE RAMPELL
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One in five? Yeah, right. Sounds way too high. That's a common reaction to the oft-cited statistic about the share of women who experience an attempted or completed sexual assault during college. The number can't possibly be right, the Doubting Thomases (or, less frequently, Doubting Thomasinas) argue. It's based on a small sample of schools, after all, and must not be representative of the full melange of colleges out there.

How about this, then? Let's survey every campus and find out.

So proposes a bipartisan bill introduced by eight senators last week.

The Campus Accountability and Safety Act would, among other things, create new transparency standards for U.S. colleges, requiring them to conduct anonymous, standardized, representative surveys about student experiences with sexual violence. The survey language and platform would be developed by the federal government, and results would be published in a centralized, user-friendly database — alongside other figures schools already report, such as tuition and retention rates, in exchange for participating in the federal student financial aid program.

This is a brilliant idea, if not a new one. For years, victims' advocates have been recommending that schools pull their heads out of the sand and start measuring the true extent of the epidemic of sexual violence on their campuses. Colleges, alas, have been less keen on the idea. In the spring, a White House task force presented a similar proposal for such "climate surveys" that was fiercely opposed by several higher education industry groups. State legislators in Maryland also considered a survey mandate, but the state's schools (including one under federal investigation for allegedly mishandling an assault complaint) helped kill the bill.

Colleges claim that administering such surveys is too onerous, and that the Clery Act already requires them to publish data on campus crime. But official crime numbers can be misleading, partly because the vast majority of sexual crimes go unreported. Victims feel ashamed, don't know whom to contact or fear they will face skepticism or harassment if they come forward. Schools also have a lot of discretion about what sort of crime statistics they publish, making apples-to-apples comparisons among schools difficult.

Most troubling, because there is so much incredulity about the prevalence of sexual assault, schools face perverse incentives to underreport incidents for fear of being seen as unusually dangerous even when their crime rates are merely average. It's no wonder, then, that in response to a recent survey of 440 colleges commissioned by Sen. Claire McCaskill, D-Mo., 41 percent reported not having conducted a single investigation into sexual violence in the previous five years. These schools are probably proud that so few incidents appear worth investigating — but a low investigation rate is probably a sign not that campuses are crime-free but that victims aren't seeking help. Or, worse, that administrators are not taking action when victims come forward.

A few brave schools voluntarily survey students about their experiences with rape, sexual assault and harassment. The University of New Hampshire, for example, has been conducting surveys for more than 25 years, and handfuls of other institutions have followed suit (some as a result of federal investigations into whether they have mishandled sex cimes in the past).

Many of the schools that do conduct surveys don't publish the results, though, likely out of fear of negative publicity. My own alma mater, Princeton, surveyed students in 2008, but the findings were not made public until someone leaked them to the school newspaper five years later. Asked why the results weren't previously published, an administrator told the Daily Princetonian, "A story that Princeton's rates of students who have been assaulted is on line with national averages is really not a story, but I mean in this news environment, people would make a big deal about it."

This is exactly why we need to put every school on an equal footing, with a standardized, comparable measure of sexual violence rates. Based on survey data already available, most likely we wouldn't see much variation in victimization rates from campus to campus, says Nancy Chi Cantalupo, a researcher with the Georgetown University Law Center who has advocated for climate surveys.

But a universal survey requirement would force schools to publicly acknowledge the extent of sexual violence on their campuses. Then they could stop worrying about embarrassment that might result from more accurate measurement of crime rates — and focus instead on better ways to prevent and respond to the crimes themselves.

From the Left | Doonesbury

From the Right | Mallard Fillmore

Divide between red and blue states over health care deepens

McClatchy/Tribune

WASHINGTON — States that have aggressively put the Affordable Care Act into practice have cut the number of uninsured residents sharply — in some cases in half or better — while those that balked have improved little if at all, according to new data released Tuesday.

The state-by-state numbers, from Gallup's Healthways Well-Being Index, reinforce one of the major impacts of Obamacare so far: Political debate has widened the health care gap between red and blue states.

All 10 states with the largest percentages of uninsured adults now have Republican governors and legislatures. The lowest percentages all are governed by Democrats, with the exception of Pennsylvania.

The 10 states with the biggest improvement in insurance coverage all took two major steps to implement the health care law — they expanded Medicaid coverage, as the law allows, and they either set up their own online marketplace to let residents buy insurance or they entered into a partnership with the federal government to create one.

By contrast, the states that still have the highest percentages of uninsured residents all declined to expand Medicaid and refused to participate in creating the online exchanges, leaving that task to Washington. Some states went further this year and actively impeded the exchanges, forbidding state employees to provide information about them, for example.

Gallup's results have been carefully followed in the health care debate because they are based on a huge number of survey interviews — 88,678 for this year's data. That allows analysis of changes at the state level as well as different demographic groups. Government figures from census surveys will not be available for many months.

Nationwide, 18 percent of Americans lacked insurance last year just before the health care law took effect, while 13.4 percent were uninsured in the second quarter of this year, according to Gallup's surveys.

Arkansas and Kentucky, both states that began with large numbers of uninsured residents, showed the biggest improvements. In Arkansas, the percentage of residents without insurance dropped from 22.5 percent last year — significantly above the national average — to 12.4 percent at the middle of this year. Kentucky improved from 20.4 percent uninsured to 11.9 percent.

California had the largest drop in the sheer number of people lacking insurance; its percentage decrease ranked eighth nationally, from 21.6 percent last year to 16.3 percent at midyear.

At the other end of the scale, Texas had the highest percentage of uninsured residents last year — nearly 3 in 10 — and still does. The share of uninsured Texans dropped by only 3 points, to 24 percent of the state's adult population.

Last year, 14 states had one-fifth or more of the adult population lacking insurance. As of midyear, only three states remained in that group, with Georgia and Mississippi joining Texas. Florida and Louisiana were close behind.

All five of those states are among the 21 that have ruled out expansion of Medicaid to all adults at or near the poverty level. The law allows that expansion and provides for the federal government to pick up the entire cost for the first several years and the lion's share thereafter.

Republican governors in Utah, Indiana and Pennsylvania continue to negotiate with the federal government over expansion plans, while 26 states have expanded their programs.

Opponents of expansion argue that Washington eventually will dump the cost on the states; some also oppose Medicaid entirely on ideological grounds.

In addition to Arkansas, Kentucky and California, the 10 states with the biggest drop in the percentage of uninsured adults included Delaware, Washington, Colorado, West Virginia, Oregon, New Mexico and Connecticut.

Some of those states — most notably Oregon — had considerable trouble with their state-run insurance marketplaces but succeeded in enrolling significant numbers of their residents anyway.

The data show that "effectively implementing needed reforms makes a huge difference in getting people insured so they can get the health care they need," Washington Gov. Jay Inslee said in a statement. The state enrolled roughly 600,000 residents under the Affordable Care Act.

Obama announces $33B in commitments for Africa

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Seeking to strengthen America's financial foothold in Africa, President Barack Obama announced $33 billion in commitments Tuesday aimed at shifting U.S. ties with Africa beyond humanitarian aid and toward more equal economic partnerships.

The bulk of the commitments came from private-sector companies, including Coca-Cola and General Electric, underscoring Africa's growing appeal to businesses. The continent is home to six of the world's fastest-growing economies and a rapidly expanding middle class with increased spending power.

Yet Obama noted that U.S. trade with the entire African continent is about the same as its trade ties with Brazil and that just about one percent of U.S. exports go to sub-Saharan Africa.

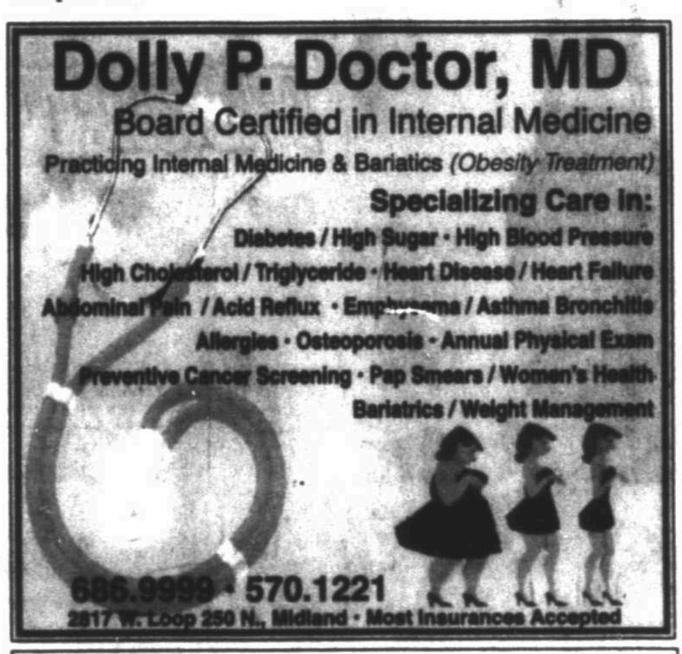
"We've got to do better, much better," he said during closing remarks at a daylong session that brought together U.S. and African politicians and business leaders. "I want Africans buying more American products, and I want Americans buying more African products."

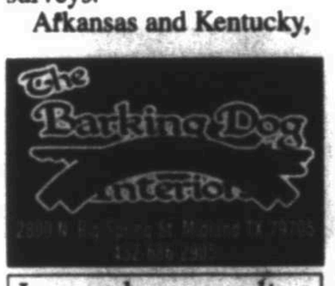
The U.S. is hardly alone in seeing economic potential in Africa, with China, Europe and India moving aggressively to tap into Africa's growing markets. China in particular is hungry for oil, coal and other resources and is eager to develop the roads, bridges and ports needed to pull them out of Africa.

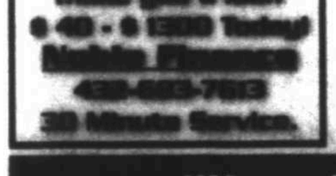
"We also realize we have some catching up to do," said Michael Bloomberg, the former New York mayor and billionaire businessman who opened the summit Tuesday. "We are letting Europe and China go faster than the U.S."

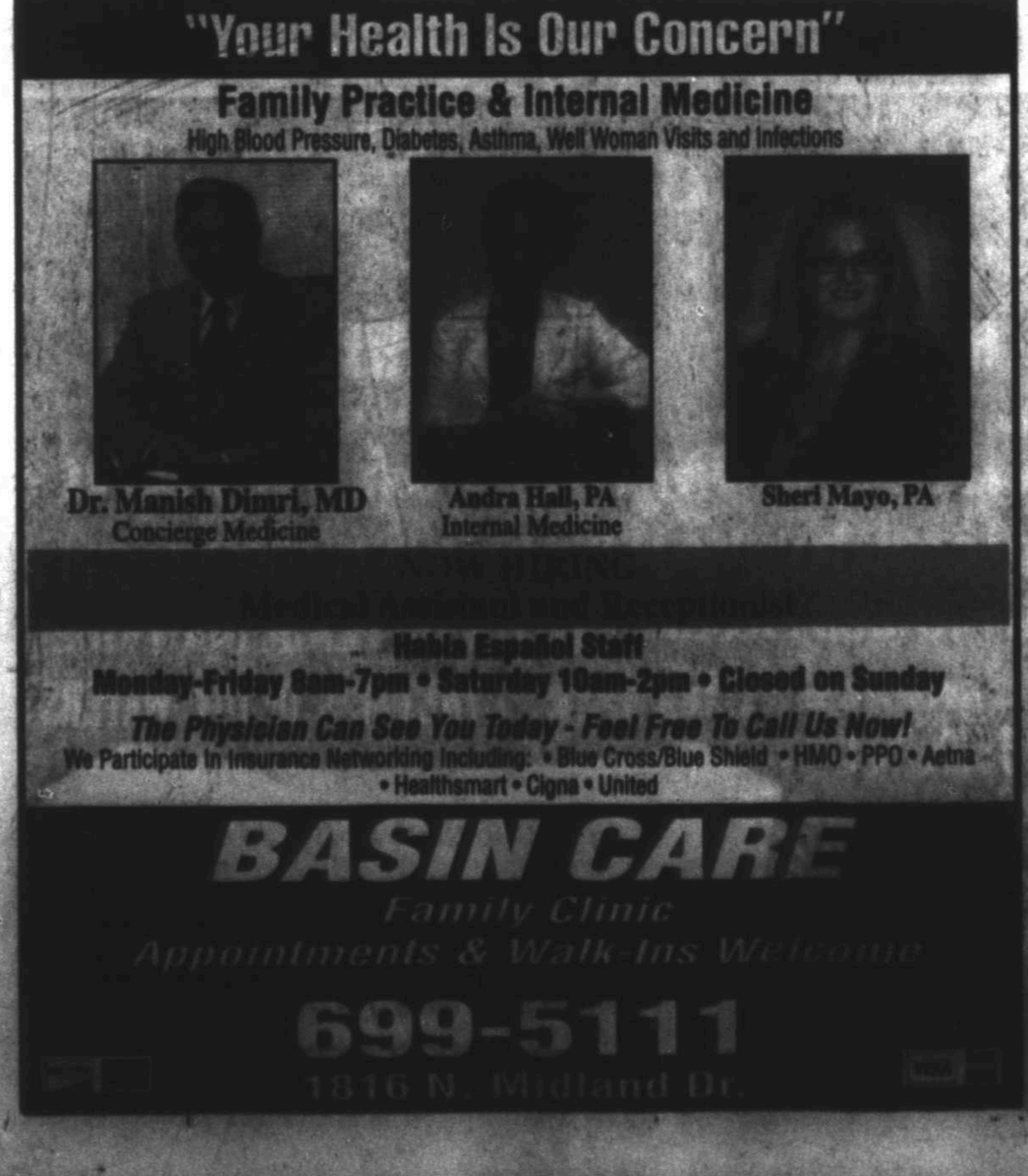
Obama has sought to cast the U.S. as a better partner for African nations than China, arguing that his administration has a long-term interest in the continent's success and is not simply seeking to extract resources for its own purposes.

"The United States is determined to be a partner in Africa's success," he said. "We don't look to Africa simply for its natural resources. We recognize Africa for its greatest resource, which is its people, their talents and their potential."









Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The Midland County Hospital District will hold two public hearings on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in the preceding tax year by 4.09% (percentage by which proposed tax rate exceeds lower of rollback tax rate or effective tax calculated under Chapter 26, Tax Code). Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property and the tax rate that is adopted.

The first public hearing will be held on August 13, 2014 at 11:45 a.m. at Midland Memorial Hospital Administration Board Room, 400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway, Midland, Texas.

The second public hearing will be held on August 20, 2014 at 11.45 am at Midland Memorial Hospital Administration Board Room, 400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway, Midland, Texas.

The members of the governing body voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase as follows:

FOR: Pete Hulder, J.T. Lent, Jr., Cressinda Hyatt, Jeff Beard, Greg Wright, Dorthea Logan, Joe Kiowski

AGAINST: None

PRESENT and not voting: None

ABSENT: None

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Midland last year was $190,577. Based on last year's tax rate of $.12570 per $100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed last year on the average home was $239.56.

The average taxable value of a residence homestead in Midland this year is $208,197. If the governing body adopts the effective tax rate for this year of $.11365 per $100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be $236.62.

If the governing body adopts the proposed tax rate of $.11830 per $100 of taxable value, the amount of taxes imposed this year on the average home would be $246.30.

Members of the public are encouraged to attend the hearings and express their views.

Japanese scientist in scandal found dead

Associated Press

TOKYO — A senior Japanese scientist embroiled in a stem-cell research scandal died Tuesday in an apparent suicide, police said.

Yoshiki Sasai, who supervised and co-authored stem-cell research papers that had to be retracted due to falsified contents, was found suffering from cardiac arrest at the government-affiliated science institute RIKEN in Kobe, in western Japan, according to Hyogo prefectural police. Sasai, 52, was deputy chief of RIKEN's Center for Developmental Biology.

A security guard found him with a rope around his neck, according to RIKEN. Sasai was rushed to a hospital, but was pronounced dead two hours later.

Police and RIKEN said Sasai left what appeared to be suicide notes, but refused to disclose their contents.

RIKEN spokesman Satoru Kagaya told a news conference that Sasai had three letters with him, each addressed to Haruko Obokata, a co-author of the research papers, as well as senior members of RIKEN and fellow researchers. Two other notes addressed to RIKEN officials were on Sasai's secretary's desk.

Sasai's health had deteriorated over the past few months, and he had been receiving medical treatment. Kagaya said that Sasai started looking depressed in May, and that the two had hardly seen each other recently.

"He seemed exhausted. I could tell he was tired even on the phone," Kagaya said, referring to one of his last conversations with Sasai.

Sasai's team retracted the research papers from the British science journal Nature over Obokata's alleged malpractice, which she has contested. Retractions of papers in major scientific journals are extremely rare, and the scandal was a major embarrassment to Japanese scientific research.

Obokata was in shock when she heard the news of Sasai's death, Kagaya said. Obokata has been in and out of the hospital since the scandal due to her mental condition, and RIKEN has arranged a team of medical staff and colleagues to give her support, while monitoring her around the clock, he said.

In two papers published in Nature earlier this year, the researchers reported that they successfully transformed ordinary mouse cells into versatile stem cells by exposing them to a mildly acidic environment. Scientists hope to harness stem cells to grow replacement tissue for treating a variety of diseases.

RIKEN later held Obokata, a main author of the research, responsible for falsifying data. The investigation also focused on Sasai and two other employees, though the three were not accused of research misconduct.

Sasai had said he was "deeply ashamed" over the problems with the papers.

Afghan soldier kills US general, wounds about 15

Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — An American major general was shot to death Tuesday in one of the bloodiest insider attacks of the long Afghanistan war when a gunman dressed as an Afghan soldier turned on allied troops, wounding about 15 including a German general and two Afghan generals.

Maj. Gen. Harold Greene, who was on his first deployment to a war zone, was involved in preparing Afghan forces for the time when U.S.-coalition troops leave at the end of this year. An engineer by training, he was the deputy commanding general, Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan.

Greene was the highest-ranked American officer killed in combat in the nation's post-9/11 wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and the highest-ranked officer killed in combat since 1970 in the Vietnam War.

Associated Press

This image provided by the U.S. Army shows Maj. Gen. Harold J. Greene. A U.S. official has identified the senior officer killed in Afghanistan on Tuesday as Greene. Greene was the deputy commanding general, Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan. An engineer by training, Greene was involved in preparing Afghan forces for the time when U.S.-coalition troops leave at the end of this year.

Five major generals were killed in Vietnam, the last Maj. Gen. John Albert Dillard whose helicopter was shot down.

The attack at Marshal Fahim National Defense University underscored the tensions that persist as the U.S. combat role winds down in Afghanistan — and it wasn't the only assault by an Afghan ally on coalition forces on Tuesday. In eastern Paktia province, an Afghan police guard exchanged fire with NATO troops near the governor's office, provincial police said. The guard was killed in the gunfight.

It wasn't clear if the two incidents were linked, and police said they were investigating.

Early indications suggested the Afghan gunman who killed the American general was inside a building and fired indiscriminately from a window at the people gathered outside, a U.S. official said. There was no indication that Greene was specifically targeted, said the official who identified Greene. The official was not authorized to speak publicly by name about the incident and provided the information only on condition of anonymity.

The wounded included a German brigadier general and two Afghan generals, officials said. A U.S. official said that of the estimated 15 wounded, about half were Americans, several of them in serious condition.

U.S. officials still asserted confidence in their partnership with the Afghan military, which appears to be holding its own against the Taliban but will soon be operating independently once most U.S.-led coalition forces leave at the end of the year.

The Iraq and Afghanistan wars have taken more than 6,700 U.S. lives.

Insider attacks rose sharply in 2012, with more than 60 coalition troops — mostly Americans — killed in 40-plus attacks that threatened to shatter all trust between Afghan and allied forces.

Nigeria acknowledges slow response in Ebola case

Associated Press

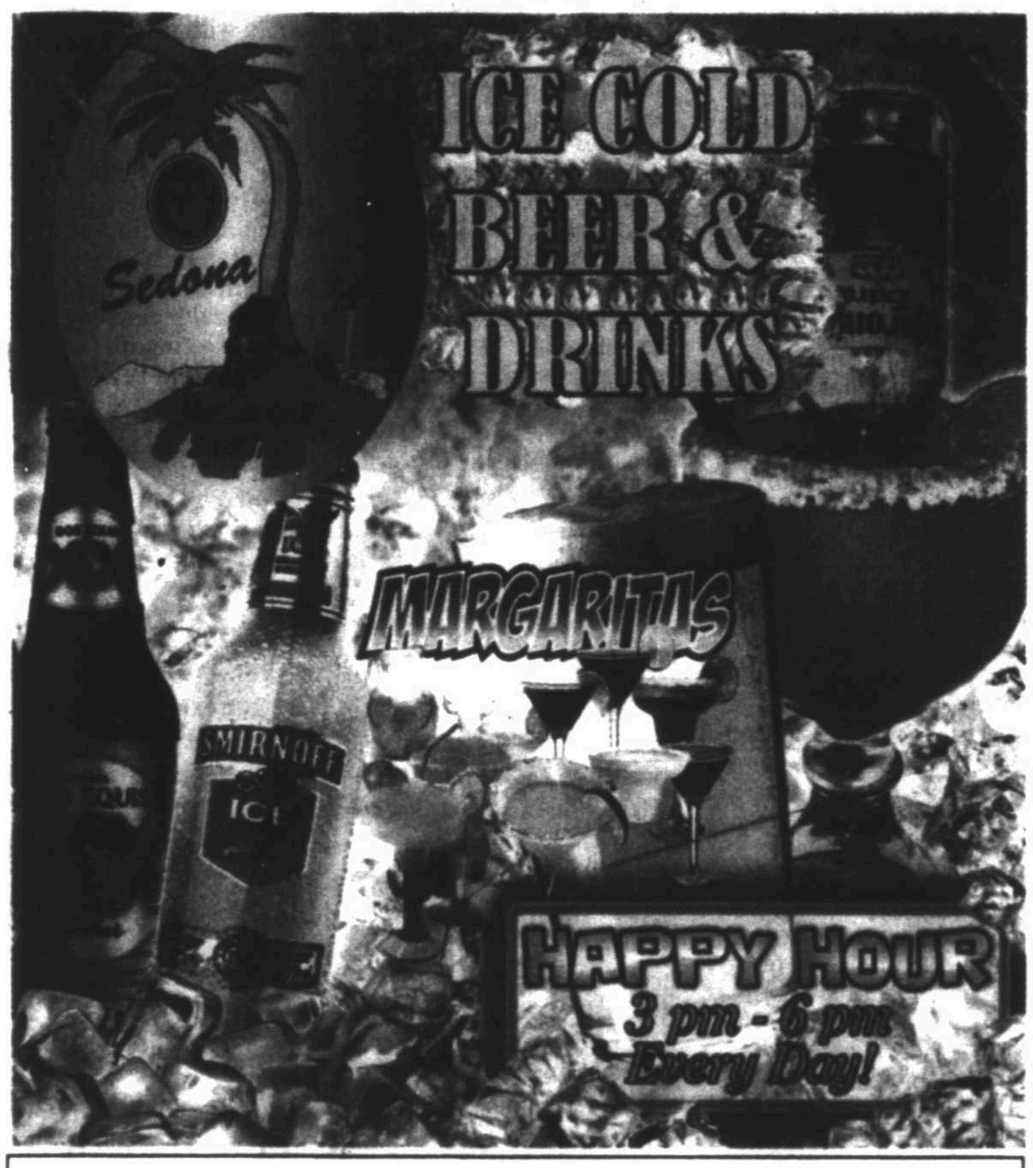
LAGOS, Nigeria — Nigerian health authorities acknowledged Tuesday that they did not immediately quarantine a sick airline passenger who later died of Ebola, announcing that eight health workers who had primary contact with him were now in isolation with symptoms of the disease.

Ebola, which can cause victims to bleed from the eyes and mouths before a grisly death, has killed nearly 900 people across four countries in West Africa, a deeply impoverished region with severely limited medical resources.

The outbreak, which emerged in March, spread to Nigeria in late July when Patrick Sawyer, a 40-year-old American of Liberian descent, flew from Liberia's capital to the megacity of Lagos. The announcement that Sawyer was not immediately quarantined underscores concerns that West Africa is ill-equipped to contain such a disease.

By contrast, two American aid workers who were infected with Ebola in Liberia are being treated with an experimental drug in an isolation unit at an Atlanta hospital after being flown in on chartered jets. Ebola concerns in the U.S. have led some worried people to hospital emergency rooms and prompted testing of at least four patients, according to a count kept by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Experts said people infected with Ebola can spread the disease only through their bodily fluids and after they show symptoms. Since the incubation period can last up to 21 days, some of the Nigerians who treated Sawyer are only now showing signs of illness that can mimic many common tropical illnesses — fever, muscle aches and vomiting.



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Philippians 4:8

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

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What's happinging in Midland this weekend? Find out by reading WEEKENDER Look for it inside Thursday's edition of the Reporter-Telegram

Texas' on-time graduation rate a record high

By Will Weissert
Associated Press

AUSTIN — The Texas Education Agency said Tuesday that a record 88 percent of high school students graduated on time last year, marking the sixth straight year of gains.

Education Commissioner Michael Williams said the number of Class of 2013 students who finished high school in four years was the highest since records have been kept in their current form, at least through the 1990s, and had increased from 87.7 percent from the previous year. The latest data includes all-time highs for two minority groups: an 85.1 percent graduation rate for Hispanic students and 84.1 percent for blacks.

The same report from the Texas Education Agency shows 1.6 percent of the nearly 2.2 million students in grades seven through 12 during the 2012-2013 school year dropped out. That's a slight improvement from the previous year.

"The Class of 2013 continues an ongoing trend of success in the classroom which has translated into more high school diplomas," Williams said in a statement. "With additional flexibility now provided to school districts, we should expect graduation numbers to remain strong with all students better prepared for life after high school in college, the workplace or military."

That's a reference to a curriculum and graduation standards overhaul approved by the Legislature in 2013 that cut the number of standardized tests needed to graduate from 15 to five while also reducing the required number of advanced math and science courses. The new rules, which are still being fully implemented, are meant to give students more flexibility and allow them to focus on career and vocational training rather than just college prep courses.

Williams added that a "gap still exists" between black and Hispanic students and their white counterparts but that things were improving.

In his own statement, Gov. Rick Perry said: "We've set the bar high for Texas students to ensure every graduate is ready for college or career, and they have consistently demonstrated that they are up to the challenge."

Previous federal graduation rate figures, though, have reported different, sometimes lower, rates than the state tallies. Federal figures for 2013 are not yet available.

A federal study in November 2012 that found Texas' four-year graduation rate was 86 percent for the Class of 2011, high enough to tie it with five others for the nation's third-best rate. For that year, the state reported a four-year graduation rate of 85.9.

A different set of federal figures released in January 2013 found a four-year state graduation rate for 2009-2010 of 78.9 percent. That study, from the National Center for Education Statistics, estimated high school attrition rates among ninth-graders over four years.

According to state officials, the graduation rate for the Class of 2010 was 84.3 percent.

Texas says its figures are more accurate since it tracks actual cases that can be adjusted for things like student moving away before finishing high school.

"It's been encouraging in recent years that no matter what definition has been used, the trend rates are going up," said Debbie Ratcliffe, a Texas Education Agency spokeswoman. "They all show higher graduation rates and lower drop-out rates."

VOLLEYBALL CAMP

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Paige Dickson practices different volleyball techniques during volleyball camp at Greenwood on June 25. See more photos from the camp on Page 6B

Elementary campuses get new phone system, numbers

From staff reports

Midland ISD's elementary schools and district administrative and support departments soon will have new phone numbers for a new network-based phone system. The system, which is being installed this summer, is part of the 2012 elementary school bond.

The new Cisco system includes phones in elementary school classrooms, according to a press release from Tom Holly, MISD executive director of Technology. The phone numbers will be organized numerically by campus and department.

While the phone systems and numbers at secondary campuses will not be replaced this summer, a set of phone numbers is reserved for them in the future, Holly said.

Superintendent Ryder Warren said that as soon as the phone contractor works out any problems, "there should be a seamless transition between the old numbers and the new ones — meaning that (people) who call old numbers should be automatically rerouted to the right number."

The rerouting will be in place for several weeks, according to the release. The new campus numbers are:

- Bonham: 240-6000
- Bowie: 240-6100
- Burnet: 240-6200
- Bush: 240-6300
- Carver: 240-6400
- Crockett: 240-6500
- DeZavala: 240-6600
- Emerson: 240-6700
- Fannin: 240-6800
- Greathouse: 240-6900
- Henderson: 240-7000
- Houston: 240-7100
- Jones: 240-7200
- Lamar: 240-7300
- Long: 240-7400
- Milam: 240-7500
- Parker: 240-7600
- Pease: 240-7700
- Rusk: 240-7800
- Santa Rita: 240-7900
- Scharbauer: 240-8000
- South: 240-8100
- Travis: 240-8200
- Washington: 240-8300
- Midland Alternative Program: 240-4700

Special needs symposium, party set for Saturday

■ Event to provide resources for parents, activities for kids

By Tessa Duvall
tduvall@mrt.com

Families of children with special needs have the opportunity to come together on Saturday for a day of speakers, resource booths and a back-to-school party.

The PEN Project Special Needs Symposium and Resource Fair is being held in conjunction with the SHARE Back to School Party at the University of Texas of the Permian Basin's Mesa Building. The event is set for 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; doors open at 9:30 a.m.

"A lot of parents don't even know there's a ton of help out here in the Permian Basin," PEN Project Regional Coordinator Amanda Chandler said. "They just don't know about it. A lot of the organizations that do help parents with children with disabilities are non-profit, so they don't have the money to advertise."

The event is free and open to all area families with children who have a range of needs or disabilities, including anything from diabetes, ADHD, Down syndrome or multiple diagnoses, Chandler said. Pre-registration is required in order to provide an accurate head count for lunch, she said. Friday is the deadline for registration for parents, children and anyone wishing to have a booth.

This year's event is the second year for the symposium and resource fair, and the third year for the party. SHARE Executive Director Tom Jones said because the events were scheduled on the same day, they decided to combine forces to avoid competing with one another.

Chandler said the day will begin with speakers, including a representative from Region 18 who will explain the legal framework of special education, someone with Down syndrome who will speak about her successes and a Department of State Health Services representative who will discuss community resources available to families. During the speeches, children will be in child care where they can play games, be fingerprinted by the Odessa Police Department and visit with the Odessa Fire Department about fire safety.

A free lunch will be served at noon, followed by the back-to-school party. The party will include jumpers, face painting and other activities for kids, Jones said.

"At SHARE, we saw a need for families to meet other families and they have a need to participate in community activities that normal or typical families can participate in," Jones said.

Chandler said parents of children with special needs or disabilities often feel isolated.

"You're not just going to run into someone who has the same condition as your child," she said.

The event on Saturday will allow families to fit in and connect with others who can understand to caregiver stress and related issues, she said.

Children can also benefit from meeting their peers at the event, she said.

"I love seeing it when kids run into somebody who has the same disability they have, like two little kids with Down syndrome or kids that both have extremity issues, like missing an arm or a leg," Chandler said. "You can kind of empathize with them being a regular person, but until you're missing your arm, or missing your leg, until it actually happens to you, you're not going to be able to relate."

For more information about the symposium, contact Chandler at Amanda Chandler at achandlerpen@sbcglobal.net.

Facebook event: https://www.facebook.com/events/783543708346501/

Obituaries

Alan Paul Hewitt

Alan Paul Hewitt, of Midland, Texas, passed away August 2, 2014 in his home. Alan, 83, was born on January 21, 1931 in Ashtabula, Ohio to Paul and Belva Hewitt.

His love of flying began at age 12 and he received his pilot license at age 16, even before his driving license.

After graduating from Edgewood High School, he went to the Spartan School of Aeronautics in Tulsa, Oklahoma for a semester.

After recuperating from a major truck accident, he changed his course and began studies in Geology at Bowling Green State University of Ohio. It was there he met and married Marilyn Bower Hewitt (Mickey). They were married in 1953 and Alan graduated in 1954 with a degree in geology.

Following graduation, he was a geologist for Cities Service Oil Company for 13 years. This brought Alan and Mickey to Midland, Texas in 1957. He became an independent geologist for the remainder of his career.

Alan was a member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity. He continued his love of flying for many years. He was a member of the Permian Basin Petroleum Museum. He served as a Boy Scout leader, and was both a coach and mentor to baseball and football players. He served with Meals on Wheels and served his church. Alan was active at First Presbyterian Church, where he served as both deacon and elder.

He had a love for gardening and farming Christmas trees in Ohio. He was a loving father, grandfather and great grandfather. He will be remembered for his gregarious nature, contagious laugh, big smile, and generous heart.

He was preceded in death by his parents, an infant daughter, Rosalie Kim, and granddaughter, Julie Marie Phillips.

He is survived by his wife, Marilyn (Mickey); their five children, Kyle Phillips of Colleyville, Texas, Donna Scott of Boise, Idaho, Kelly Hewitt of Flower Mound, Texas, Diane Nance of Forney, Texas, and Mark Hewitt of Shawnee, Kansas; and grandchildren, Jeremey Wayne Stover, Sarah Phillips Hlavacek, Jamey Stover Newton, Amy Phillips Martinez, Nicholas Alan Scott, Clifton Lewis Nance, James Brian Phillips, Alan Tucker Hewitt, Stephanie Carol Nance, Elizabeth Julie Hewitt, and Brock David Hewitt. He has 12 great grandchildren.

He is also survived by his sister, Donna Bettey of Ashtabula, Ohio; and brothers, Gary Hewitt of North Kingsville, Ohio, and Bill Hewitt of Conneaut, Ohio.

Services will be held on Thursday, August 7, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Avenue, Midland, Texas 79701. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the First Presbyterian Church of Midland Deacon's Fund, or to your favorite charity.

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

Averill Hale Badgett

Averill Hale Badgett "MaMaw", 90, of Andrews, passed away on Monday, August 4, 2014. The family will receive friends on Thursday, August 7, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, August 8, 2014 at Alamo Heights Baptist Church in Midland. Burial will follow at Resthaven North in Midland.

Averill was born on March 22, 1924 in Loraine, Texas to Nettie and Charlie Hale. She was one of 11 children. Growing up, she worked on the farm pulling cotton. Averill married Hester Badgett in Andrews, Texas. She worked for Stanton ISD for over 30 years as a bus driver and in the cafeteria.

Averill enjoyed cooking, quilting, yard work, and being a homemaker. She loved being with her friends and family, but especially with the ones that called her "MaMaw." Averill never let her grandchildren go home without having a bath and a coke float.

She taught Sunday school for several years at the First Baptist Church of Tarzan. After retirement, Hester and Averill moved to the Greenwood community and joined the Greenwood Baptist Church. Averill loved people and never met a stranger.

She is survived by her son, Loie Badgett and wife, Virginia of Andrews , Texas; son, Billy Ray Badgett and wife, Doris of Neosho, Missouri; son, Sammy Badgett and wife, Carol of Crawford, Texas; son-in-law, Royce Hamilton of Lufkin, Texas; nine grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren, and 12 great-great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Hester Badgett, and daughter, Latricia Hamilton.

The family would like to thank the Permian Residential Care Center in Andrews, Permian Regional Medical Center, 3rd floor nurses, Dr. Bonnie Muncy, and Home Hospice in Andrews for all of their care.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be donated to Home Hospice in Andrews, 803 N. Main Andrews, Texas, 79714 or to a charity of your choice.

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

Deretha "Dot" Brooks

Deretha "Dot" Brooks went to soar with angels August 4, 2014 at Manor Park in Midland. Family visitation and viewing will be Thursday, August 7, 2014 from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at American Heritage Funeral Home, 4100 N FM 1788.

Funeral services will be Friday, August 8, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. at Christ Church Midland, 5501 N Midkiff with burial to follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Dot was born March 4, 1925 in Dimmit, Texas to John (JJ) and Minnie Redwine. She was the middle child of 13 children. Her family moved many times between Texas and New Mexico farming.

She married William Truman Brooks January 9, 1945 in Muleshoe, Texas. Their 51-year marriage brought two children, Kathy and Steve. The Oilfield took them many places until they settled in Ozona in 1963. W.T. was transferred to Midland in 1977. They both resided in Midland until their deaths.

Dot was an avid bowler and bowled on numerous leagues over the years. Anyone who was blessed to eat a pie she made will tell you it was heavenly. You never left her table hungry as she enjoyed to feed those she loved.

She was preceded in death by her husband W.T.; her son, Steve Brooks; her parents; brothers, Leonard Redwine, J.C. Redwine, Duge Redwine, Jerl and Berl Redwine; and sister, Wanelle Boatman.

She is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Gary and Kathy Gibson; grandchildren, Cody (Sherry) Layman, Brandi (Daniel) Price, Amy Gibson, and Blake Gibson; 10 great grandchildren; brothers, Homer and Eugene Redwine; sisters Bonnie Ashmore, Edna (JB) Snead, Billie Rae (Dallas) McCurry; and numerous nieces and nephews and other family members and friends.

The family would like to thank Dr. Vogel and his staff, the loving nurses and staff at Manor Park and Home Hospice for the compassionate care of Dot over the years.

Memorials can be made in honor of Dot to Manor Park Midland.

All arrangements are entrusted to American Heritage Cemetery and Funeral Home.

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Freda L. Grist

Freda L. Grist, 91, of Midland, Texas, passed away Saturday, August 2, 2014.

Freda was born in Cisco, Texas on December 22, 1922 to Frederick and Ella Grist.

She was a member of Alamo Heights Baptist Church. She retired from Exxon after 38 years with the company.

She was preceded in death by her parents, and two sisters, Betty and Patricia.

A funeral service for Freda will be held Friday August 8, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. Wayne Keller of Alamo Heights Baptist Church will be officiating. A committal service will be at 4:00 p.m. at Oakwood Cemetery in Cisco, Texas.

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

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Mexico (Mex) Reza

Mexico (Mex) Reza, 27, was born August 11, 1986 in Chihuahua, Chihuahua Mexico to Juan Jose, Sr. and Maria Iris Reza.

He was raised in Falomir, Chihuahua Mexico, where he completed elementary school. Mex later moved to Hobbs, New Mexico shortly and then to Midland, Texas, where he attended Abell Junior High and Lee Freshman High School. He graduated from Robert E. Lee High School with the Class of 2005.

Mex attended Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. He enjoyed exercising, weight-lifting, riding bikes and visiting his hometown.

Mex is survived by his parents, Juan Jose, Sr. and Maria Iris Reza; his brother, Juan Jose Reza, Jr.; and sisters, Sugey Reza and Iris Reza, all of Midland; as well as nephews, nieces, aunts, uncles and cousins.

A funeral mass and burial will be held in Falomir, Chihuahua Mexico.

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

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Sidney Francis Hirt

Longtime resident and early settler of the St. Lawrence farming community and St. Lawrence Catholic Church, Sidney Francis Hirt died at Polo Park Estates in Midland, Texas on August 4, 2014 at the age of 88.

A rosary will be held on Thursday, August 7, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Lawrence Catholic Church. Funeral mass will be at 10:00 a.m., Friday, August 8, 2014 at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in St. Lawrence, officiated by Father Raj. Interment will follow in St. Lawrence Cemetery.

Sidney was born December 11, 1925 to Frank and Alma (Niehues) Hirt in Olfen, Texas. He attended Wall schools and graduated from Eola High School in 1943.

Sidney was married to Agnes (Sue) Theresa Kleypas on April 7, 1947, and began farming in Wall and working at the Wall Gin. He moved his family to St. Lawrence in 1955 until his retirement at the age of 70.

While in St. Lawrence, he was an active member of his community. He played an integral role in getting an army surplus building moved from Midland Airport to be used as the St. Lawrence Catholic Church. He was on the founding committee of the National Cotton Council and was President of the St. Lawrence Men's Society a number of years. He served on the Garden City School Board for nine years as President and was active in 4-H leadership in Glasscock County. He was very active in sports and played on a basketball team well into his thirties. Sidney won Texas Conservationist of the Year Award.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Sue Hirt, his mother and father, his sister, Jeanette Kohutek, and brother, Daniel Hirt.

Survivors include three sisters, Dorothy DeHaas (Bill), Marcie Batla (Delman), and Annette Frerich (Hubert); two brothers, Eugene (Dorothy) Hirt and Bernard (Jean) Hirt; four daughters, Kimberly Tanner of College Station, Texas, Judy Dalman (John) of North Richland Hills, Texas, Lisa Miksch of Lavernia, Texas, Becky West (Ira) of Del Rio, Texas; two sons, Ronnie Hirt (Carla) of St. Lawrence, Texas, and Steven Hirt (Millie) of Midland, Texas; 10 grandchildren, Jason Watts, Chris Watts, Heather Hirt Clark, Brazos Hirt, Christie Hirt Hinton, Cody Hirt, Micah Miksch, Sarah West Sigmon, Joshua Tanner, and Jarrod Tanner. He had 13 great grandchildren.

The family would like to extend special thanks to Bobby Williams and Samantha Woods for the loving care they so graciously gave to Sidney during his final years. They would also like to thank Dr. Micheal Miller and Dr. Robert Vogel for their special care.

Serving as pallbearers will be his grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Lawrence Catholic Church Cemetery fund and EMS of Glasscock County.

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

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

Death Notices

Espiridion Trevino, IV

Espiridion Trevino, IV, 28, passed away on August 2, 2014.

A rosary will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, August 8, 2014 at Ellis Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 9, 2014 at St. Stephens Catholic Church.

Kathleen Crossland

Kathleen Crossland, 90, passed away on August 2, 2014.

Kathleen is survived by her daughter, Jean; and by two sisters and one brother.

Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, August 8, 2014, at Ellis Funeral Home.

LD Howell

Funeral service for LD Howell 64, of Midland are pending at Jackie Warren Funeral Home.

LD Howell died August 4, 2014, at a local hospital.

Lyndee Lee Latch

Lyndee Lee Latch, 58, passed away on Saturday, August 2, 2014. The family will receive friends Wednesday, August 6, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home of Midland.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, August 7, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. at Fairmont Park Church of Christ. Interment will be held at 1:00 p.m., Friday, August 8, 2014 at Garden of Memories Cemetery in Kerrville, Texas.

She is survived by her husband, Dave Latch; her sons, Geoff McLean, David Latch, and Keith Latch; her daughter, Ashley McLean; and by a brother.

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

Teachers must find a way to make themselves heard

■ Many educators resist expressing concerns for fear of reprisal

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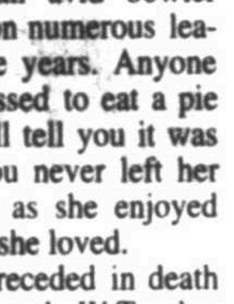

Teachers feel powerless.

This is the fundamental problem with education reform in America: The people who are most important in a child's classroom feel they are effectively without a voice.

When new teachers are concerned about their performance in the classroom, going to an assigned mentor opens the possibility of being perceived as weak or faltering. The additional fear is that an offhand remark that claims the newbie isn't hacking it will reach a supervisor.

When a tenured teacher has concerns about another teacher or even about a superior, there's really no recourse. Even if this person is clearly incapable and everyone else in the building knows it, expressing apprehension will result only in emotional release — or being labeled a rat.

If these teachers have concerns about the curriculum, testing or other changes they believe will affect their ability to do their jobs, they can talk all they want — but it will be guaranteed to fall on deaf ears. Every teacher knows that aside from a few comments during the open-discussion portion of a union meeting, such lofty concerns are addressed far above their pay grade.

Even writing letters to the editor or otherwise commenting publicly on school can be off-limits — if what you have to say is in any way negative about, let's see ... absent or overbearing parents, the school administration, other teachers, the union — oh, the poor sap who dares say anything critical about their union. I've witnessed teachers in the faculty lounge talk of ugly mayhem for speaking up about the union.

Which brings us to the anonymous teacher who wrote to The Washington Post's Valerie Strauss, who then posted his or her meditation on all that's wrong with education — "Educator: The many reasons 'I am ashamed to be part of the system'" — on the Post's Answer Sheet blog.

Described as "someone who has worked in two public school systems in Maryland and in private schools for some 25 years as a teacher, counselor, administrator at the school and district levels and in other positions," he or she chose to "remain anonymous out of fear of reprisal."

I really can't do justice to this person's 1,150-word screed — which blasts everything and everyone from burned-out teachers to the never-ending parade of silver bullet new programs to the absurdity of zero-tolerance behavior policies.

What I can add, however, is that as someone who was a teacher for two short, frustrating years and continues experiencing the world of education through family members, teacher friends and readers who pour out their hearts to me but beg me not to name them in print — all of the anonymous correspondent's comments rang true.

Grades are inflated through parent and student demand and administrative pressure; we expect first-graders to act like mini-adults and in many ways treat high school seniors like babies; school guidance counselors stick students in classes for scheduling's sake rather than for academic need (driving teachers nearly insane); and some of the politics and corner-cutting that goes on in school buildings around the country, regardless of whether they're high-poverty or wealthy districts, is nothing short of shameful.

But don't expect teachers to talk about such things publicly.

Surveys, the most recently being a poll of 20,000 teachers conducted by Scholastic Inc. and the Bill & and Melinda Gates Foundation, consistently find that teachers feel they are both voiceless and powerless over their profession. In the Scholastic Inc./Gates survey, only a staggeringly small 5 percent and 2 percent feel they're heard at the state and national level, respectively.

Teachers can't be seen as complainers — they must endure with dignity and strength in order to maintain the respect of their peers, their superiors, the community and their students.

But they must make themselves heard. Put me down as someone who prefers teachers to go on the record. Surely these professionals can find respectful and constructive ways to express criticism that will ultimately make students' education more meaningful. But if one must blog or comment on newspaper websites by withholding their name, or ask journalists to tell their stories under cover of anonymity, the risks might be worthwhile.

It's not preferable, it's not ideal. Yet in a national conversation where one of the most important stakeholder's authentic voice is rarely heard, it's a route that I believe some could take.

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						6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID	ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Middle	Goldberg	Modern Family	The Middle	Nashville: On the Record		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) News Nightline
KOSA	CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	Big Brother (N)		Criminal Minds "To Hear Witness"		Extant "What on Earth is Wrong?" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) DLetterm Martha Stewart, Lady Gaga	(:35) Craig Ferguson
KWWT	CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*	M*A*S*H	Gilligan's Island	Happy Days	Hogan's Heroes	Welcome Kotter	F Troop	F Troop	Twilight Zone	P. Mason "The Case of the Rolling Bones"	Dragnet
KPEJ	FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Think You Can Dance "Top 10 Perform and Eliminations" The top 10 finalists perform. (N)				Modern Family	Modern Family	The Arsenio Hall Show		Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother
KMLM	IND	11	11	12	11	11	Mani Erfan	House Call	Update News	Dollars & Sense	Light of the Southwest				Dr. Rik Wadge	HaYesod	Jean-Claude	Dr. William
KWES	NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 at 6 p.m.		America's Got Talent "Cutdown"		America's Got Talent "Results" (N)		Taxi Brooklyn "Black Widow" (N)		News-West 9	(:35) Jimmy Fallon	(:35) Seth Meyers
KPBT	PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Wild Affair "The Seal Who Came Home" (N)		Nova		Sex in the Wild "Dolphins" (N)		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
KUPB	UNI	4	4		4	16	De Que Te Quiero Te Quiero		Mi corazón es Tuyo		Lo Que La Vida Me Robo		Que Pobres Tan Ricos		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	La Que No Podía Amar	
KOSA	MNT	16	16		16		Fam.Feud	Million..	Law & Order: C.I.		Law:CI "Bedfellows"		My News	Million..	30 Rock	Sunny	Access H.	Insider
FLIX		340	65		165		(5:15) Dick Tracy		★★ Up Close and Personal						(:05) ★★ A Walk on the Moon		★ My Life So Far	
HBO		300	68	14	14		(:15) Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story		True Blood		Bill Maher				Hard Knocks '14		LastWeek	TruBlood
HBO2		302	69	15	101	23	(4:45) 42		Nixon by Nixon		(:15) ★★★ The Dark Knight Rises ('12, Act) Anne Hathaway.						★ The Best Man H...	
HBO3		304	70	16	102		(5:15) Fever Pitch		Rome		Leftovers "Guest" (N)		LastWeek	True Blood (N)		Leftovers	"Guest"	Acts
MAX		380	71	17	120	24	(5:00) Pacific Rim		(:10) ★ Behind Enemy Lines Mark Carlton.				★★ Big Momma's House			Topless	(:10) ★ Hypnotika	
MAX2		382	72	18	122		(5:00) Jack the Gi...		★★★ Blade ('98, Act) Wesley Snipes.				StrikeBk	(:50) In Bed	(:20) ★ Riddick ('13, Sci-Fi) Vin Diesel.			
PLEX				96			(5:15) One Last D...		★★ Crazy/ Beautiful				(:45) ★★★ Canvas Joe Pantoliano.				★★ Trading Mom	
SHOW		320	66	19	140	25	(5:45) ★★ Coach Carter Samuel L. Jackson.		60 Minutes Sports				David Bowie: 5		60 Minutes Sports		★ Blood Out	
TMC		336	67	22	155	26	(4:20) ★ Scent of a...		★★★ Four Brothers Mark Wahlberg.						★★ Belly ('98, Cri) DMX, NAS.	(:35) ★ Belly 2: Millionaire B...		
A&E		27	32	28	35	47	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dy (N)	(:40) Big Smo	(:10) Wahlburgers "4th of July Special"		Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty
AMC		40	21	23	42	51	(4:00) ★ The Mum...		★★★ Jaws 3 ('83, Hor) Dennis Quaid.						(:15) ★★ Jaws: The Revenge		(:15) ★ The Mum...	
BET		58	26		40		Apollo Live		Apollo Live						★★★ This Christmas ('07, Com) Delroy Lindo.		Game	Wendy Williams
BRAVO		65	63		41		Housewives NJ		Real Housewives		Listing Miami (N)		Top Chef Duels (N)		Watch (N)	Top Chef Duels		Top Chef
CNBC		46	45		39	72	Restaurant Startup		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed (N)		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN		43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Anthony "Myanmar"		To Be Announced		A. Cooper 360		Anthony "Myanmar"	
DISC		50	20	31	24	42	American Muscle		A. Muscle: Ripped (N)		American Muscle (N)		Naked "Argentina"		American Muscle		Naked and Afraid	
DISNEY		56	27	36	25	36	Jessie	Liv Maddie	Austin	Girl	Dog Blog	Gravity	Jessie	I Didn't	Dog Blog	GoodLuck	E-Stevens	McGuire
ESPN		32	29	48	31	30	(5:00) SportC	Baseball T.	MLB Baseball Boston Red Sox at St. Louis Cardinals (L)						SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2		34	28	49	32	31	Baseball Little League World Series (L)				SportsC.		MLS Soccer All-Star Game Site: Jeld-Wen Field (L)				Olbermann	
FAMILY		53	54	34	42	33	MystGirls	YngHngry	YngHngry	M.Girls	★★★ Sydney White Amanda Bynes.				The 700 Club		YngHngry	MystGirls
FNC		45	58	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD		64	59	27	68	54	Restaurant		Restaurant Stakeout		Stakeout (N)		Restaurant (N)		Rest. "Culture Clash"		Restaurant Stakeout	
FSSW		37	43	50	45	29	Football (N)	Big 12 (N)	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers at Chicago White Sox Site: U.S. Cellular Field – Chicago, Ill.						Aggies Preview	Preview (N)	Cycling Tour of Utah	
FX		31	31	59	64	69	Movie		★★★ Immortals ('11, Act) Mickey Rourke, Henry Cavill.						The Bridge (N)		Tyrant	
HALLMARK		54	49	58		34	The Waltons		Waltons "The Vigil"		Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV		63	50	26	48	44	Property Brothers		Cousins Under (N)		Property Brothers (N)		HouseH	House	Property Brothers		Property Brothers	
HISTORY		71	62	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		(:05) Pickers		(:05) Pickers		American Pickers	
LIFETIME		28	25	25	28	48	Bring It! "So You Wanna Be a Doll?"		Bring It! "Prom or Competition?"		Bring It! "A New Rival Emerges" (N)		BAPs "A Bogus Ceasefire" (N)		Raising Asia	Raising Asia	Bring It! "Prom or Competition?"	
MSNBC		47	51		49	73	Hardball		Shark Hunters		Shark Hunters (N)		Fish Mavericks (N)		Shark Hunters		Shark Hunters	
NBCSN		38	39				Shark Hunters		Shark Hunters		Shark Hunters (N)		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
NICK		55	34	39	34	37	Sam, Cat	WitchWay	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE		30	22	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Jail	Police "Flippin' Crazy"	
SYFY		66	64	41	57	67	In the Name of the King 3: The Last M...				★★ Eragon ('06, Fant) John Malkovich.				★ Age of the Dragons Danny Glover			
TBS		25	11	44	66	41	Sein. "The Wallet"	Seinf. "The Watch"	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan (N)		The Office	Conan
TCM		41	61	24	63	66	(5:00) The Last A...				★ I Am a Fugitive From a Ch...		★★★ Scarface Paul Muni.		(:15) ★★★ Black Fury Paul Muni.			
TELE		20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		Reina de Corazones		En otra piel				El señor de los cielos		Al rojo (:35) Titular	En otra piel
TLC		51	33	32	38	52	(5:30) Extreme Coupon "Joyce and Aprille"		Think You Are "Cynthia Nixon"		Think You Are "Rachel McAdams" (N)		Think You Are "Gwyneth Paltrow"		Think You Are "Rachel McAdams"		Think You Are "Gwyneth Paltrow"	
TNT		24	23	40	26	50	Castle "Overkill"		Castle "A Deadly Game"		Castle "A Deadly Affair"		Castle "He's Dead, She's Dead"		(:05) The Last Ship "SOS"		(:05) FallSky "Saturday Night Massacre"	
TVLAND		49	48	35	54	35	Griffith	A. Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Queens	Queens	Hot In (N)	Jennifer	Hot In	Jennifer	Loves Ray	Loves Ray
USA		26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit "Goliath"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Manhattan Vigil"		Suits "Exposure" (N)		Graceland "The Ends" (N)		Modern Family	Modern Family	Suits "Exposure"	
WGN		19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Parks "Ul Sebastian"	Parks and Rec

Syracuse University ranks as nation's No. 1 party school

By Carolyn Thompson
Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y. — Syracuse University has claimed the title of nation's top party school.

The No. 1 ranking was revealed Monday by The Princeton Review based on a nationwide survey of 130,000 students.

Syracuse's student newspaper ranked second best among the 379 colleges surveyed, and its sports scene, rated third best, likely helped the party mood.

University officials had no immediate comment on the private university's showing in the 2015 edition of "The Best 379 Colleges." The book contains 62 top-20 lists gauging student satisfaction with professors, financial aid awards, athletic facilities, food and other factors.

Rounding out the top 5 party schools were: the University of Iowa (last year's winner), the University of California-Santa Barbara, West Virginia University and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Repeating at the top of the "stone-cold sober" schools was Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah.

Syracuse's central New York neighbor Colgate University topped the list of most beautiful campuses. The university of Chicago was found to have the best college library, and students voted Virginia Tech's dining hall offerings as the best campus food.

Other No. 1 spots: Stanford University in the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender-friendly category; Elon University in North Carolina as best-run college; Washington University in St. Louis for its dorms; and Yale University for best newspaper.

"Our purpose is not to crown one college 'best' overall or to rank these distinctive schools 1 to 379 on any single topic," said Princeton Review senior vice president Robert Franek. "We present our 62 ranking lists to give applicants the broader base of campus feedback to choose the college that's best for them."

Northeastern University in Boston took the No. 1 spot on the list of best career services. Oregon's Reed College topped the list of best professors, and the happiest students were found at Vanderbilt University in Tennessee, according to the rankings.

An average of 343 students per campus were asked 80 questions about their schools and themselves during the 2013-14 and/or previous two school years.

Top 20 party & sober schools

The Princeton Review's 2015 "The Best 379 Colleges," released Monday, contains a list of the Top 20 party schools and the Top 20 sober schools.

Top 20 party schools
1.Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York
2.University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa
3.University of California-Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, California
4.West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia
5.University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, Illinois
6.Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania
7.Penn State University, University Park, Pennsylvania
8.University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, Wisconsin
9.Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania
10.University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida
11.Miami University (Ohio), Oxford, Ohio
12.Florida State University, Tallahassee, Florida
13.Ohio University-Athens, Athens, Ohio
14.DePauw University, Greencastle, Indiana
15.University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
16.University of Mississippi, University, Mississippi
17.Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana
18.University of Vermont, Burlington, Vermont
19.University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon
20.University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware

Top 20 sober schools
1.Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah
2.Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois
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6.College of the Ozarks, Point Lookout, Missouri
7.Gordon College, Wenham, Massachusetts
8.Grove City College, Grove City, Pennsylvania
9.U.S. Coast Guard Academy, New London, Connecticut
10.City University of New York-Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, New York
11.City University of New York-City College, New York, New York
12.Wheaton College (Georgia), Macon, Georgia
13.U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland
14.Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering, Needham, Massachusetts
15.City University of New York-Queens College, Flushing, New York
16.Mills College, Oakland, California
17.St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota
18.University of Houston, Houston
19.Nazareth College, Rochester, New York
20.University of Dallas, Irving

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Each set of 10 tiles below contains two common five-letter words. The letters of the first five-letter word are adjacent (but not in order). Find and rearrange them to spell a word. Cross out those letters and imagine that the remaining six letters are now consecutive. These remaining six letters can now be rearranged to spell the second word.

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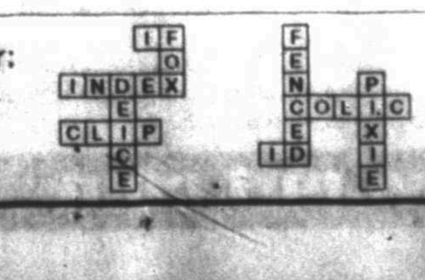

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Trinity senior takes 'once-in-a-lifetime' trip

Editor's note: Trinity School senior Sally Anne Saint Jacques, daughter of Frank and Sally Saint Jacques, spent a month in Italy on a youth exchange trip sponsored by the Midland Downtown, Westside and Suburban Lions clubs.

By Sally Anne Saint Jacques

One of the many things I learned from this trip is that time really flies. I first heard about this wonderful opportunity at the end of November 2013 from one of my teachers, who recommended it to me. Next thing I knew, it was June 21 and I was at the Midland International Airport trying to convince my mom not to cry as we hugged goodbye. I would be gone for one month. Luckily for my mom, that month flew by and I returned home on July 19 with an extensive Italian vocabulary and many exciting stories to share.

For the first six days of my time in northern Italy, I stayed with my first host family: the Verniles. I lived with the mother, father, grandmother and two sisters, Cristina, 17, and Anna, 16. In addition, they had a dog named Trilly. They lived in a small town on Lake Iseo.

On my first day with the family, my host mother and sisters took me around Iseo. We even took a boat to Monte Isola, which was located in the middle of the lake. During my stay with the Verniles, I got to visit the cities of Iseo, Brescia, Sarnico and Milan.

Every night, the family prepared a nice dinner consisting of typical Italian food — mainly different types of pasta.

As an only child, I can honestly say I would not mind it if Anna and Cristina were my real sisters. It was a joy getting to spend six days with the Verniles. I only wish my time with them would have been longer.

I spent the next 10 days with my second host family: the Rossis. I lived with two host parents, a sister named Chiara, 19, and a brother named Francesco, 17. They had a dog named Luna. They lived in a medium-sized town called Mantova.

Courtesy photo

Palazza Ducale di Mantova was among the sites Sally Anne Saint Jacques visited during her Lion Clubs-sponsored trip to Italy.

My first day with them consisted of a visit to the Palazzo Ducale di Mantova, which was the residence of the royal Gonzaga family between the 14th and 17th centuries.

During my stay with the Rossis, I got to visit Mantova, Venice and Milan. Venice was by far my favorite Italian city. Unfortunately, we did not ride a gondola because of the high price.

However, that didn't matter because I had already fallen in love with San Marco Square, which consists of St. Mark's Basilica, the Clock Tower, and many different shops. The day of our trip to Venice, I bought my mom a gold cameo for her birthday, which was during my stay in Italy.

When the family and I stayed in Mantova, we would go out to eat, shop or go swimming. Overall, I think the Rossis really showed me the Italian lifestyle and culture by introducing me to many special people and places.

I spent my last 10 days at a Lions Camp: Campo Dei Laghi (Camp of the Lakes). There, I met 17 other exchange students from all over the world, including Finland, the Ukraine and Estonia. While at the camp, I got to revisit the cities of Venice, Mantova and Brescia.

While in Brescia, the campers were divided into groups to go on a treasure hunt. One of the clues was located atop an old castle, and walking up the steps to that castle was a most painful experience. Fortunately, it was worth it because the team I was on won by a landslide.

The camp also took us to Verona, where we went on a tour and saw an opera at the arena. We spent one day at Gardaland, Italy's best amusement park.

Throughout our stay, campers had to give a country presentation. I worked with the two other American girls to create a PowerPoint about the United States, as well as our home states. One morning, the camp took part in a ceremony with the mayor of Castellaro (the tiny city where the camp was located). The final day at the camp consisted of visiting a center where dogs are trained to guide the blind, shopping at the Orio center in Bergamo and an outdoor dinner with our host families. After dinner, there was music and dancing. The following morning, I couldn't help but cry as I said goodbye not only to my fellow campers, but to Italy.

I would like to thank the Midland Westside, Downtown and Suburban Lions clubs for sponsoring me on this wonderful trip. I would also like to thank everyone from the Northside Lion's Club, especially Mark Singh, for helping me prepare for this trip. I am so glad I got to take part in this once-in-a-lifetime experience and I hope every youth gets the chance to visit a place where they can have fun, meet new people and make memories.

Hours change for MISD secondary schools

Beginning in the upcoming 2014-15 school year, Midland ISD secondary schools will be in session from 8:40 a.m. to 4:05 p.m. The change was made because of transportation needs, and it allows for both protected instructional time and more morning tutorial time, MISD Chief Academic Officer Patrick Jones said Tuesday in a press release.

MISD Transportation Director Willie Tarleton said bus drivers need the extra time between elementary and secondary school routes in order to safely and promptly transport students. Drivers cover about 765.3 square miles within Midland County on a daily basis, he said.

Bus routes are still being finalized.

The school day for elementary and magnet campuses is unchanged: 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. and 8 a.m. to 3:45 p.m., respectively. The schedule for Early College High School at Midland College also is unchanged: 7:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

MC irrigates trees, grass with reclaimed water

Midland College is now irrigating its more than 220-acre campus with reclaimed water, delivered from the city's new reclamation plant in Windlands Park, according to a college press release.

The college uses 150,000 to 200,000 gallons of water per day for irrigation and uses reclaimed water in an "effort to be environmentally conscious," according to the release.

The college and city first began discussion for the agreement in 2004, according to Reporter-Telegram archives. MC built its 500,000-gallon reservoir and upgraded its existing irrigation system in 2008.

MC will pay the city $2.66 per 1,000 gallons of reclaimed water in 2014 and that price will gradually increase to $3.12 by 2024, according to the contract the college approved in May.

Dennis Sever, MC vice president of Information Technology and Facilities, said in the release that the college has adhered to the city's water restriction policies in place for the last two years.

"Our main goal during this time has been to protect the precious trees and not worry about the grass," Sever said in the release. "Now, because of the cool start of summer, the recent rains and a week's worth of steady irrigation using the reclaimed water, the campus is turning green once again and the trees are looking healthy."

LHS' Randy Storie named music coordinator

Lee High School band director Randy Storie has been named Midland ISD's District music coordinator, Superintendent Ryder Warren announced in a press release Monday.

Storie has been LHS band director for more than 30 years, which Warren called "30-plus years of excellence."

"In my opinion, he is an absolute legend in our profession," he said.

Warren said Storie's reassignment is a result of new student enrollment growth and the "need to have the most quality extra and co-curricular programs" for students.

Jay Derrington, Lee Freshman director of bands, will take over the role of LHS band as the director of marching, according to the press release.

Warren told the Reporter-Telegram there is "zero budget impact" for Storie's new position as the district has promoted from within.

The search for a new LHS band director for the 2015-16 year will begin in the spring, Warren said.

Grocery purchases can help support schools

Shoppers at any of the six Midland-Odessa Albertsons Market stores can help support area schools with their purchases.

The United Family of supermarkets, which owns Albertsons, is partnering with General Mills to support the Box Tops for Education program, according to a press release about the program.

Customers who purchase six Box Tops for Education products at any area Albertsons between Aug. 20 and Aug. 31 will receive 25 bonus Box Tops. Customers purchasing 12 eligible items will receive an additional 80 Box Tops.

General Mills will pay 10 cents for each Box Top coupon redeemed per enrolled school, according to the release.

EDUCATIONINBRIEF

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MISD new student enrollment underway

Enrollment is now open for students new to Midland ISD.

School offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Parents or guardians will need to bring the student's birth certificate, shot records, Social Security card and the family's proof of residence, which can be a lease agreement or a bill with the address on it.

Additionally, back-to-school events are planned for the high school campuses. Students and their families will receive information on the event, according to a press release.

For more information, call Student Services Office at 689-1049.

State association honors MISD administrator

The Texas Association of Secondary School Principals has named Juan Dominguez, a former Midland High School assistant principal, as the Region 18 Assistant Principal of the Year for the 2013-14 school year, according to an MISD release.

Dominguez will serve as Bonham Elementary School principal for the 2014-15 school year.

MISD principal is officer of state association

Henderson Elementary School Principal Tanya Bell will serve as Region 18 president for the Texas Elementary Principals and Supervisors Association for the coming year, according to an MISD release.

The TEPSA installed Bell in her role during its Leadership Conference in July.

MHS to be honored at MOAS conference

The Model Organization of American States has selected Midland High School's MOAS chapter to receive a special designation at the 33rd Annual Model OAS General Assembly in Washington, D.C., later this year, according to an MISD release.

MOAS will recognize MHS for having represented each of the 34 member nations of OAS.

Students research their assigned country and then represent it at assembly, while tackling social, economic, political and human rights issues.

MHS MOAS Teacher and Sponsor Chris Hightower said the organization provides students with a larger worldview.

"It gives them an opportunity to expand their horizons," Hightower said in the release. "I think it's a great benefit to our kids."

MAKINGTHEGRADE

FROM STAFF REPORTS

OKLAHOMA CITY — Midlander **Danielle Robison** has been named to the President's Honor Roll for the spring semester at Oklahoma City University.

To be eligible, students must maintain a GPA of at least 3.9.

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DENTON — Two Midlanders recently graduated from Texas Woman's University.

Emily Mason receievd a Master of Science in kinesiology. **Rachel Nelson** received a Master of Business Administration and a Master of Health Systems Management.

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HOUSTON — Three Midlanders were named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at the University of Houston.

The honorees are **Nichole Logan, Avery Muncy** and **Dustin Shaw.**

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LONGVIEW — Midlander **Brooks Jarrett** was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at LeTourneau University.

To be eligible, students must maintain a GPA of at least 3.5.

PRAYER TO GOD

Say 9 Hail Marys for 9 days and ask for three wishes. 1st wish for business, 2nd and 3rd wishes for the impossible. Publish this article on the 9th day. Your three wishes will come true, even though you may not believe it.

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TODAY: Mostly sunny	THURSDAY: Sunny	FRIDAY: Sunny	SATURDAY: Mostly sunny	SUNDAY: Mostly sunny	MONDAY: Mostly sunny
High: 98 Low: 75	High: 99 Low: 75	High: 98 Low: 74	High: 96 Low: 72	High: 96 Low: 72	High: 96 Low: 72

Local forecast

Expect mostly sunny skies today with a high around 98 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly clear conditions with a low around 75 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph.

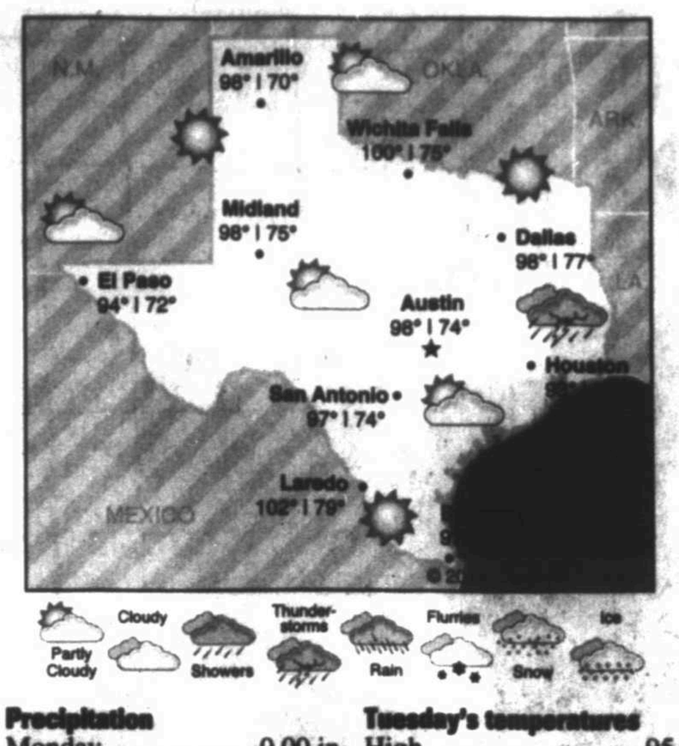
Thursday, look for sunny skies with a high around 99 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 75 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph.

Friday, the forecast calls for sunny skies during the day, partly cloudy skies at night, with a high around 96 and a low around 74.

The high Tuesday reached 95, while the low dropped to 71. The record high for Aug. 5 is 104 set in 2011. The record low is 61 set in 1978.

National forecast

Parts of the Northeast could see scattered showers and thunderstorms today. Most of the action will be from southern sections of new York and New England down through the Mid-Atlantic.The rest of the region will be mainly dry. Highs will range from the mid 70s to around 90. Scattered heavy showers and thunderstorms are likely each day from northern California to central Wyoming.



Precipitation

Monday	0.00 in.
Tuesday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.02 in.
Year total	3.99 in.
Normal total (year to date)	8.18 in.

Tuesday's temperatures

High	95
Low	71
Normal high	95
Normal low	70
Sunrise	7:07 a.m.
Sunset	8:41 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, Aug. 6

Expectant mom with a past must consider baby's future

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: Coming out of an abusive relationship in the past, I made some poor decisions. I moved away from home and into pornography and prostitution. I come from a small town, and it became a big deal when it hit the Internet. Everyone in my generation back home knew what I did.

Years later, I'm back home. I have a wonderful husband, and we're expecting our first child — a girl. My husband loves and accepts me in spite of my past, and my mother has become my best friend. I love my life here. Nowhere else feels like home.

But I'm worried that my child's life could be miserable here because of my past. She will go to school with the children of people who know my history. No parent would want their child around me and — by extension — her. She may also learn the unsavory things I did.

I'm torn between moving away for her sake or staying. My parents are aging and have no one else to care for them. They can't follow me, but say I should do what is best for the baby. I hate the idea of deserting my parents when they need me. But I also hate that my child will be ostracized. Can you help? — LOST IN THE SOUTH

DEAR LOST: For your child's sake, I think you should relocate. As I'm sure you have already realized, people can be cruel and they love to talk. When children overhear what is said over the back fence, they can be cruel, too, and I'd rather your daughter wasn't subjected to it. (This is not to imply that wherever you go, you might not encounter someone who recognizes you — but the chances are less.)

You don't have to move right away. Take your time and scout out locations. Arrangements can be made for care if your parents need it. But your daughter's welfare must come first.

DEAR ABBY: When you go to the store for milk and eggs there is a "sell-by" date on the package. How long after that date is it safe to use them? — WONDERING IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR WONDERING: According to Eatbydate.com, when it comes to milk, the length of time it lasts beyond the expiration date on the carton depends on what kind of milk it is. Lactose-free and non-fat milk last another seven to 10 days. Skim and reduced-fat milk, one week. Whole milk should last five to seven days. Of course, for this to happen, the milk must be stored properly, at a temperature at or below 40 degrees Fahrenheit.

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics states that eggs should be refrigerated at the time you buy them and as soon as possible upon your return home, and they can be used up to three weeks after the sell-by date if they have been stored properly.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Aug. 6, 2014:

This year you will be very lucky. You have entered the first year of a 12-year luck and life cycle. You might surprise yourself with how many risks you take, but a certain level of caution would be wise. If you are single, you will find many potential and alluring sweeties around you. If you are attached, the two of you will become much closer than you have been in the past, especially if you share more of your newfound adventuresome spirit. SAGITTARIUS often intrigues you, but he or she is always off on a new adventure. How will you ever find time to get to know each other?

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You instinctively make the right choices. In fact, you are far more fortunate than you realize. You could feel as if you finally see a clear path to a goal and are able to walk through it. You might have to repeat what you are doing once more. Tonight: Follow the music.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Relate to a partner directly. One-on-one relating could take you down a new path. You might be looking at building greater security. A family member will play an important role in your mood, and you'll gain a new insight as a result. Tonight: Invite someone over.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Keep a conversation flowing. Don't nix any ideas, because you might not have all the facts. Listen to what is important, and do your best not to exclude any details. You know where you are going and why. Tonight: Out and about.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ You could be weighing the pros and cons of a new expenditure. You might think that you have the right price in mind, but there will be additional costs. A friend is likely to surprise you with his or her actions. Tonight: Go along with a suggestion.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ You seem to be able to do no wrong. You express optimism in a way that lifts up others who could be a bit down. An unexpected insight will emerge because of the intensity of the moment. Know that you might need to rehash a conversation today. Tonight: As you like it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ You know more than you are revealing. You have made a choice to stay quiet and keep your own counsel. If you listen carefully, you will learn even more. Note what is not being said as well. A partner or friend tosses an unusual insight your way. Tonight: Make it early.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You will say what you think, and others will hear you. However, it seems as if you might have to repeat this conversation one more time. An unexpected opportunity is likely to occur, as a loved one seems more open and willing to respond. Tonight: Hang out at home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Stay on top of a situation, and understand your limits. You might not want to deal with a demanding person, boss or older relative. You will get plenty of opportunities to open up this conversation. Tonight: In the limelight.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ Your spontaneity comes forward, and it will make you nearly irresistible when dealing with certain key people. Your perspective might change because of a conversation and an ability to detach, which will allow greater give-and-take. Tonight: All smiles.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You don't need to make the first move, by any means — you have choices. Start claiming your power, and realize that you need to create the right situation for you. Allow someone else to make the first move for a while. Tonight: The only answer is "yes."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ You could be surprised by all the activity that surrounds you. Be gracious for a declaration or offer, yet know that it will need to be repeated again. You see how quickly people's moods are changing. Ask for more of what you need. Tonight: Say "yes" to an offer.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Your ability to accept what is acceptable and to work within those constraints can and will make all the difference. You might want to have a discussion with a boss, a respected friend or a parent. The more suggestions, the better your judgment will be. Tonight: In the thick of things.

BORN TODAY

Artist Andy Warhol (1928), actress Lucille Ball (1911), actor Robert Mitchum (1917)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Cut the link

East-West vulnerable. West deals.

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◇ K Q 7
♣ 10 9 8 4

WEST
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♡ 9 3
◇ A J 10 9 2
♣ Q J 7 2

EAST
♠ 2
♡ Q J 8 7 5
◇ 8 5 3
♣ A K 6 5

SOUTH
♠ K Q J 10 8 5 4
♡ A 4 2
◇ 6 4
♣ 3

The bidding:			
WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
1♡	Pass	1♡	1♠
2♣	2♠	4♣	4♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: Nine of ♡

Another competitive auction, won by North-South due to the vulnerability — it was too dangerous for East-West to bid on.

The heart lead was obviously from shortness. There was a loser in each suit, but dummy's diamonds offered the potential to develop an extra trick for a discard. South won the opening lead in hand with the ace and led a low diamond, ducked by West and won with dummy's queen. Had South played a trump at this point, West would have grabbed his ace and led another heart. That would establish a heart trick for the defense, which East would cash when he obtained the lead with a club.

Seeing this danger, declarer made the excellent play of exiting dummy with a club at trick three. This forced East to use his entry before it could do him any good. East played his queen of hearts, setting up his jack, but he had no entry to cash it. South won dummy's king and finally led a trump. West won the ace and tried another club, but declarer ruffed, drew the last trump, and led another diamond. West won his ace, but there was no way for the defense to get a heart trick. The nine of trumps remained in dummy as an entry to the established diamond, and South had a parking place for his heart loser. Well played!

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Cropped up
6 "Dark Chords on a Big Guitar" folksinger
10 Alpine transport
14 Tester of Job's faith
15 Uma's role in "The Producers"
16 Spa amenity
17 Agreements from the pews
18 Isl. of Australia
19 Class struggle?
20 Car that replaced the Marquis
23 Approves, in a way
24 Like a lummox
28 Six-legged scurrier
29 Moderately slow, in music
30 Bit of work
33 1981 Moody Blues hit
36 Irritate but good
38 Guggenheim display
39 Carpal or tarsal starter
40 Rocky Balboa foe who became his friend
45 Animal house
46 Boardwalk locale
47 Roy G __: rainbow mnemonic
49 Thing
50 Brown and Green, e.g.
55 What 20-, 33- and 40-Across begin with
57 One for the road
60 Solo, in a way
61 "Middlemarch" novelist
62 Industry big shot
63 Fish-eating flier
64 __-car
65 Where the River Liffey flows
66 Shaggy Tibetans
67 Herd member

DOWN

1 "Ditto"
2 Japanese bowlful
3 Cheri of comedy
4 Inviolable havens
5 Sequentially following
6 Rubber used in inner tubes
7 "There was __ they ca'd her Meg": Burns
8 Movie lioness
9 Big name on the ice
10 Pre-Christmas destination for many
11 Jack's hiding place
12 Court org.
13 "Man on the Moon" band
21 Give stars to
22 Cheryl of "Charlie's Angels"
25 "__ a drink!"
26 52-Down, for one
27 Macho dude
29 Pre-deal payment
30 Take off the DVR
31 Go from green to red, perhaps
32 Rub it in
34 Nutmeg spice
35 Like some vbs.
37 "Hamlet" castle
41 "Kiss Me Deadly" rocker Ford
42 Homeric journey
43 River through Spain
44 Round-trippers
48 Shakespearean attendant
50 Hit the bottom of
51 Hard-to-ignore impulses
52 Kennebunkport locale
53 Chew the scenery
54 Red giant
56 Gillette brand
57 Blackjack 11-pointer
58 Israeli weapon
59 Pit goo

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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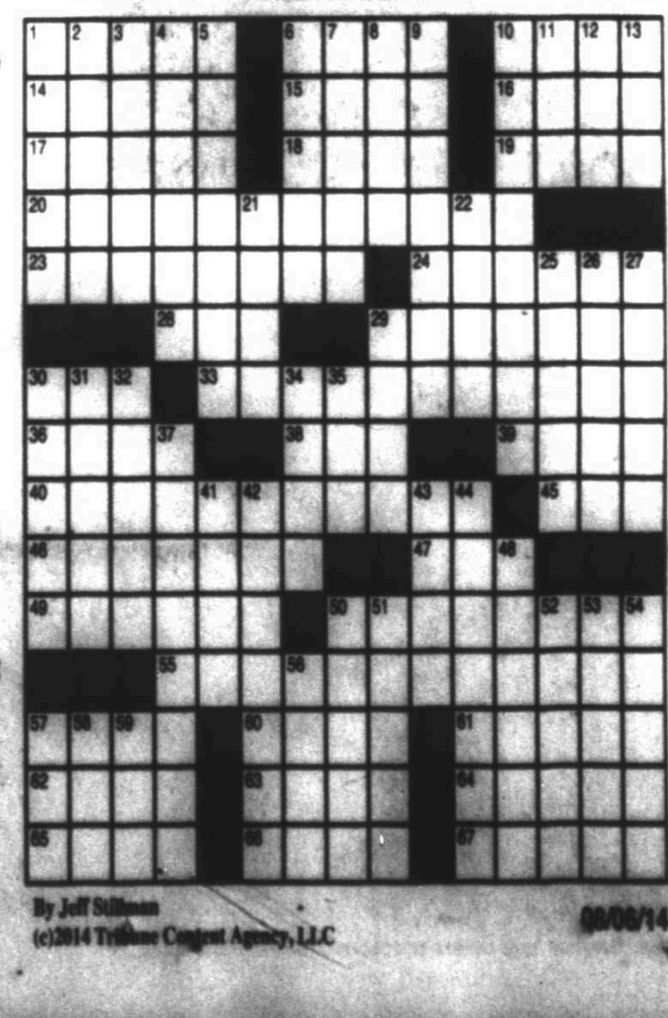

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CAMP TIME

New Greenwood head volleyball coach Pam Schelhouse works with girls during volleyball camp at Greenwood.

HONING THEIR SKILLS

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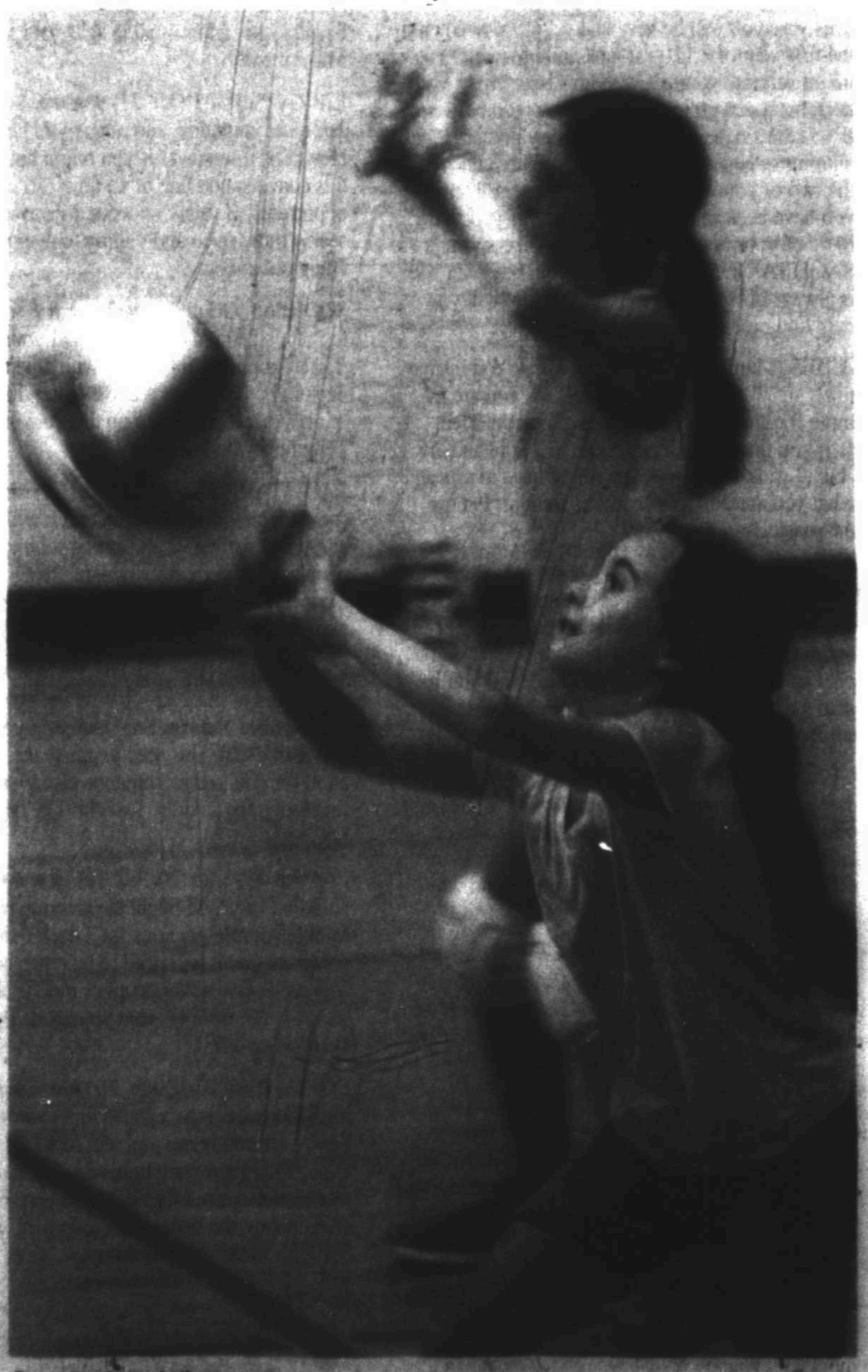
Kennedy Dove practices setting the ball.



Grace Franks and others practice.

Vaye Savage and others practice different techniques.

Andrews QB Hammack ready for starting role

By Oscar LeRoy
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ANDREWS — Back when Ralph Mason arrived in Andrews in the spring of 2012 and started working with quarterback Jace Hammack, he could tell that he had something special to develop in the coming years.

Hammack

Mason not only liked Hammack's arm strength, but his maturity level at that age really stood out.

"When you look a kid in the eye, you know it's genuine and you know what he's ready for," Mason said. "Sometimes you have to wait for that maturity to come around, but as a sophomore he was already mature."

Hammack grasped the spread offense that Mason brought over from Muleshoe rather quickly, but little did either of them know that he was going to put the knowledge to the test so early.

Just four games into the 2012 season, starting quarterback Shane Dolgener went down with a knee injury and Hammack had to take over as the team's quarterback. While it took a couple of games to get used to playing the position at the varsity level, Hammack blossomed and ended up leading his team to the area round of the Class 3A Division I playoffs and a 7-5 record after passing for 2,183 yards and 17 touchdowns.

Then last season, Hammack was prepared to play behind his friend Dolgener once again, while playing some at receiver. But then Dolgener re-injured his knee early in the District 2-3A season, and once again Hammack had to step up. He not only helped the Mustangs resurrect their season by getting them into the playoffs at 5-7, but he also completed 54 percent of his passes for 1,286 yards and 14 touchdowns against five interceptions.

"To be thrown in the fire as a sophomore and to see what he did, and then what he did last year, it's kind of the same situation but he had a little more experience and he was ready," Mason said. "He's a warrior."

Added Hammack: "I know what it's like at the varsity level the last two years. I've competed during the season in a very tough (District 2-3A), and then of course the playoffs and playing (Abilene) Wylie, Big Spring and teams like that. You see how fast the game is and you see what you have to do to beat teams like that."

Now Hammack enters this season as the starter. While he had to start 14 games because of the devastating knee injuries to Dolgener, Hammack said he was able to learn a lot by watching his friend run the offense.

"I learned to be up-tempo," Hammack said. "He was always upbeat. He always had that team on the go, and that's what our offense is about; playing fast and get in as many plays as we can get."

Mason said that Hammack is a student of the game and the senior lived up to that reputation by spending plenty of time this past summer watching game film and learning how to read defenses better. He said he also has a better sense of the players around him and what they need to do on offense.

Please see HAMMACK/2C

A worthy replacement

Associated Press

Dallas Cowboys linebackers Justin Durant, left, Kyle Wilber, center, and Bruce Carter talk at training camp July 31 in Oxnard, Calif.

Cowboys' Durant set for big role as Lee's sub

By Schulyer Dixon
Associated Press

OXNARD, Calif. — Justin Durant stepped on the plane bound for California and was reminded right away why his second training camp with the Dallas Cowboys would be so much more important than the first.

Sean Lee was on the flight, even though he'll miss the season at middle linebacker after tearing a knee ligament in the first practice of the offseason.

Durant is most likely to start in Lee's place a year after the Cowboys signed him more for depth at linebacker than anything else.

"I was surprised when I saw him on the plane," Durant said. "I just couldn't believe it, how much he has invested into this team and the extra help that he's doing. I told him that I'm just thankful for him for being here for helping me the best way that he can."

Going into his eighth season, Durant isn't new to starting or playing in the middle. If he ends up with the job, though, the task is daunting.

The Cowboys had the worst defense in the league a year ago. They are now without Lee and their two best pass rushers after franchise sacks leader DeMarcus Ware was released and Jason Hatcher left for Washington in free agency.

"Honestly, I don't pay that any attention," said Durant, who has started 74 of 89 career games, with previous stops in Jacksonville and Detroit. "Just sit back and watch and we'll just have to show people. We can talk all day. But as far as what we're going to do, you have to see it on the field."

Durant came to camp knowing there was more competition for the job because the Cowboys added former top 10 pick Rolando McClain after the offseason program ended.

Coaches haven't wasted any time incorporating McClain, who flamed out at the end of three seasons in Oakland and quit twice in Baltimore before the Ravens traded him to the Cowboys. He was even getting first-team work before a sore hamstring kept him out of practice the past couple of days.

Durant knew the competition was coming.

"I thought it was going to be earlier, like as soon as Sean went down," said Durant, who missed six games last year

Please see DURANT/4C

Spurs hire WNBA star Becky Hammon as assistant

By Jon Krawczynski
Associated Press

The San Antonio Spurs hired WNBA star Becky Hammon on Tuesday, making her the first full-time, paid female assistant on an NBA coaching staff.

Hammon

Hammon, who plans to retire from the San Antonio Stars after this season, spent time working with coach Gregg Popovich and the Spurs last season and made a strong impression on an organization with a history of forward-thinking moves.

During the 2001-02 season, Cleveland Cavaliers coach John Lucas brought Lisa Boyer into the team's practices and some games. Boyer, now an assistant at South Carolina, was not paid by the Cavaliers and did not travel with the team, but did work with the players and coaches that season.

Last season, Hammon attended Spurs practices, film sessions and sat behind the bench for the NBA champions at home game this season. She's been friends with Spurs teammates Tony Parker and Tim Duncan since competing in an NBA All-Star shooting competition in 2008.

"I very much look forward to the addition of Becky Hammon to our staff," Popovich said. "Having observed her working with our team this past season, I'm confident her basketball IQ, work ethic and interpersonal skills will be a great benefit to the Spurs."

It's the latest trailblazing move for the Spurs, who hired European coaching legend Ettore Messina to join Popovich's staff earlier this summer and have been the leaders in bringing international players to the NBA for almost two decades.

The Spurs are coming off of their fifth NBA title, a decisive victory over the Miami Heat in June. The organization's stature as the league's gold standard, along with Popovich and GM RC Buford being viewed as two of the very best in the business, led other women who have long dreamed of coaching in the NBA to hope that this is the first major step toward bringing more women into the league.

"I was so excited and pleased and the one thing that people have to remember is that the San Antonio Spurs don't do anything for effect," said Nancy Lieberman, a former star player who was a head coach in the NBA Development League in 2009 and now serves as the GM of the Texas Legends. "That's not who they are. They don't do this for the record-breaking barrier. They do things out of respect.

Stroup prepares for leadership role with Trinity volleyball

By Len Hayward
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The last three years Ashley Stroup has been a key reason for the success of the Trinity volleyball team.

Stroup has been one of the Lady Chargers' main hitters and blockers, but this season she'll have to take on an even larger role.

Ann Stroup

Ashley Stroup

Yes, she will still be counted on to provide offense and defense at the net. But she will also have to play in the back row and be a leader for a team with little varsity experience.

It's also the final year that Stroup will play competitive volleyball, and she wants to do what she can to help Trinity win a district title and qualify for the TAPPS 3A state tournament.

"I'm maybe a little more nervous to know that it's my last year, but I want to give it my all and play the best I possibly can," said Stroup, who is the daughter of Trinity coach Ann Stroup. "Trying to be a leader on the court was one of the biggest things I've had to work on, and this year I have to be a back row player as well."

Stroup is one of two players returning this season for Trinity with extensive varsity experience. The Lady Chargers went 30-9 in 2013 and advanced to the TAPPS 3A area round before falling to TAPPS

Please see STROUP/2C

Clinic owner tied to MLB scandal to plead guilty

By Jennifer Kay and Tim Reynolds
Associated Press

MIAMI — The former clinic owner accused of selling performance-enhancing drugs to Alex Rodriguez has agreed to plead guilty in what prosecutors called a wide-ranging conspiracy to distribute steroids to both major league ballplayers and high school athletes.

The charges filed Tuesday against former Biogenesis of America owner Anthony Bosch and six others marked one of the biggest salvos yet in a case that has dragged on for nearly two years. The case has sparked lawsuits, mudslinging and suspensions against numerous major leaguers, including Rodriguez.

Also charged was Yuri Sucart, 52, a cousin of Rodriguez who the New York Yankees third baseman has said provided him with steroids from 2000 to 2003 when he played for the Texas Rangers.

Sucart and the others are accused of acting as recruiters, setting up meetings between the athletes and Bosch, who introduced himself as "Dr. T," authorities said. Professional athletes paid up to $12,000 a month for the drugs provided by Biogenesis, while high schoolers paid up to $600 a month. All the clients

Please see SCANDAL/3C

DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

'HOUNDS WATCH

TUESDAY'S SCORE
Tulsa 5, Midland 4

TODAY'S GAME
Tulsa at Midland, Security Bank Ballpark

RADIO/INTERNET
www.milb.com
KCRS (550 AM)

RECORDS
Midland 27-18, Tulsa 19-25

Tuesday	Today	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Tulsa 5, Midland 4	Tulsa at Midland	Tulsa at Midland	Springfield at Midland	Springfield at Midland

WHAT'S ON TV

GOLF

USGA, U.S. Women's Amateur Championship, first round matches, at Glen Cove, N.Y., 2 p.m., TGC

LITTLE LEAGUE

Playoffs, Midwest Regional semifinal, at Indianapolis, 10 a.m., ESPN2

Playoffs, Southeast Regional semifinal, at Warner Robins, Ga., noon, ESPN2

Playoffs, Midwest Regional semifinal, at Indianapolis, 2 p.m., ESPN2

Playoffs, Southeast Regional semifinal, at Warner Robins, Ga., 4 p.m., ESPN2

Playoffs, Southwest Regional final, at Waco, 6 p.m., ESPN2

MLB

Texas at Chicago White Sox, 1 p.m., FSSW

Boston at St. Louis, 7 p.m., ESPN

SOCCER

MLS, All-Star Game, MLS All-Stars vs. Bayern Munich, at Portland, Ore., 8:30 p.m., ESPN2

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Agreed to terms with LHP Joe Saunders on a minor league contract.

BOSTON RED SOX — Optioned RHP Steven Wright to Pawtucket (IL). Placed 1B/OF Allen Craig on 15-day DL, retroactive to Aug. 2. Selected OF Corey Brown from Pawtucket (IL). Recalled RHP Heath Hembree from Pawtucket.

CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Sent RHP Zach Putnam to Charlotte (IL) for a rehab assignment.

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Reinstated OF Nyjer Morgan from the 60-day DL and released him. Optioned OF Tyler Holt to Columbus (IL). Recalled RHP Josh Tomlin from Columbus.

LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Placed RHP Mike Morin on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Friday. Reinstated OF Collin Cowgill from the 15-day DL.

MINNESOTA TWINS — Sent 1B Joe Mauer and RHP Ricky Nolasco to Cedar Rapids (MWL) for rehab assignments.

NEW YORK YANKEES — Agreed to terms with LHP Rich Hill and selected his contract from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL).

TAMPA BAY RAYS — Sent 2B Tim Beckham to the GCL Rays for a rehab assignment.

TEXAS RANGERS — Assigned LHP Ryan Feierabend outright to Buffalo (IL).

TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Placed INF Steve Tolleson on paternity leave. Reinstated INF Brett Lawrie from the 15-day DL.

National League

CHICAGO CUBS — Optioned RHP Blake Parker to Iowa (PCL). Selected the contract of INF Javier Baez from Iowa.

COLORADO ROCKIES — Sent LHP Pedro Hernandez outright to Colorado Springs (PCL).

LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Placed RHP Chris Perez on the 15-day DL. Selected the contract of RHP Carlos Frias from Albuquerque (PCL). Transferred LHP Paul Maholm to the 60-day DL.

MIAMI MARLINS — Designated RHP Jacob Turner for assignment. Recalled LHP Bryan Flynn from New Orleans (PCL).

MILWAUKEE BREWERS — Placed RHP Matt Garza on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Monday. Recalled RHP Rob Wooten from Nashville (PCL).

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Placed INF Pedro Alvarez on the bereavement list. Reinstated OF Starling Marte from the 7-day DL. Assigned RHP Josh Wall outright to Indianapolis (IL).

SAN DIEGO PADRES — Announced the resignation of vice president and assistant general manager A.J. Hinch.

WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Placed C Wilson Ramos on paternity leave and RHP Taylor Jordan on the 60-day DL. Recalled C Sandy Leon from Syracuse (IL). Claimed LHP Matt Thornton off waivers from the N.Y. Yankees.

American Association

FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS — Released RHPs Drew Bowlin, Brad Orosey and Justin Erasmus.

GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Signed INF Jose G. Garcia.

GRAND PRAIRIE AIRHOGS — Released OF Ryde Rodriguez.

LAREDO LEMURS — Signed INF Kyle Brandenburg.

ST. PAUL SAINTS — Released C Carlos Escobar.

SIOUX CITY EXPLORERS — Released RHP Kohei Tsukada.

Can-Am League

TROIS-RIVIERES AIGLES — Signed INF Craig Massey.

Frontier League

EVANSVILLE OTTERS — Released RHP Taylor Dennis and LHP Conor Kenns.

JOLIET SLAMMERS — Released LHP Harry Manno.

WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS — Signed LHP Hein Robb.

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL BASKETBALL RETIRED PLAYERS ASSOCIATION — Named Jalen Rose ambassador.

National Basketball Association

CLEVELAND CAVALIERS — Signed G Mike Miller and G James Jones.

SAN ANTONIO SPURS — Named Becky Hammon assistant coach.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

CHICAGO BEARS — Suspended TE Martellus Bennett indefinitely and fined him an undisclosed amount for an altercation during Monday's practice.

CLEVELAND BROWNS — Released DB Darwin Cook. Signed TEs Kyle Auffray and Martell Webb, LB Keith Pough and WR Tim Smith.

DALLAS COWBOYS — Signed G Wayne Tribue.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Placed CB Brandon Burton on injured reserve. Signed LB Shawn Loiseau.

NEW YORK GIANTS — Placed RB David Wilson on the waived-injured list. Released DE Kendrick Adams. Signed DE Israel Idonije and TE Jerome Cunningham.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Signed OT Wade Smith.

Canadian Football League

EDMONTON ESKIMOS — Signed WR Marcus Rucker and LB Patrick Trahan to the practice roster.

OTTAWA REDBLACKS — Released LB T.J. Hill. Signed DL Jonathan Williams, OL J'Michael Deane, RB Chevon Walker to two-year contract extensions and QB Thomas DeMarco and DL Zack Evans and Justin Capicciotti to one-year contract extensions.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

PHILADELPHIA FLYERS — Signed D Michael Del Zotto to a one-year contract.

American Hockey League

TORONTO MARLIES — Named Ben Simon assistant coach.

ECHL

BAKERSFIELD CONDORS — Agreed to terms with F Nick MacNeil and D Gabriel Verpaelst.

READING ROYALS — Named Josh Foreman equipment manager.

COLLEGE

NCAA — Named Beth Anders national coordinator of field hockey umpires.

CINCINNATI — Named JaQuon Parker assistant director of student-athlete development for men's basketball and Robb Williams trainer.

COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON — Fired men's basketball coach Doug Wojcik.

LA SALLE — Promoted athletics ticket coordinator Chris Irvin to athletic business manager.

LIMESTONE — Named Tom Morris men's assistant soccer coach.

MOBILE — Named Austin Brown women's assistant soccer coach.

NEBRASKA — Named Brett Sapp men's basketball administrative coordinator.

RUTGERS — Named Tricia DiPaolo women's volunteer assistant soccer coach.

ST. FRANCIS BROOKLYN — Named Abra Rummel women's volleyball coach.

SAINT JOSEPH'S — Named Katie Brady assistant field hockey coach.

THIEL — Named Adam Roche men's volleyball coach.

WENTWORTH TECH — Named Jessie Koffman girls lacrosse coach.

MLS STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Sporting Kansas City	11	5	6	39	32	20
D.C.	11	6	4	37	32	21
Toronto FC	8	7	5	29	29	28
New York	6	6	10	28	35	33
Columbus	6	7	9	27	26	28
New England	8	12	2	26	29	35
Philadelphia	5	8	9	24	34	36
Houston	6	11	4	22	23	40
Chicago	3	5	13	22	28	34
Montreal	3	13	5	14	21	39

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Seattle	12	6	2	38	35	28
Real Salt Lake	9	4	9	36	33	27
Los Angeles	9	4	6	33	32	17
FC Dallas	9	7	6	33	35	31
Colorado	8	8	6	30	31	28
Vancouver	6	4	11	29	31	29
Portland	6	7	9	27	36	38
San Jose	6	8	5	23	23	20
Chivas USA	6	10	5	23	21	34

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

Sunday's Scores

Houston 1, D.C. United 0
FC Dallas 1, Chivas USA 0

Today's Games

Bayern Munchen at MLS All-Stars, 8:30 p.m.

PGA TOUR LEADERS

Through Aug. 3

Rank Player	YTD	Money
1. Jimmy Walker	2,407	$5,074,340
2. Bubba Watson	2,167	$5,166,861
3. Rory McIlroy	1,982	$5,165,896
4. Matt Kuchar	1,921	$4,129,969
5. Dustin Johnson	1,769	$4,249,180
6. Jim Furyk	1,736	$4,268,095
7. Jordan Spieth	1,692	$3,854,682
8. Sergio Garcia	1,666	$4,326,180
9. Patrick Reed	1,612	$3,562,590
10. Chris Kirk	1,571	$3,016,867
11. Zach Johnson	1,551	$2,970,955
12. Brendon Todd	1,541	$3,153,495
13. Martin Kaymer	1,525	$4,007,537
14. Harris English	1,469	$2,898,822
15. Webb Simpson	1,436	$2,999,661
16. Adam Scott	1,426	$3,262,804
17. Kevin Na	1,413	$2,762,427
18. Ryan Moore	1,400	$3,029,563
19. Justin Rose	1,400	$3,409,734
20. Brian Harman	1,320	$2,318,354
21. Rickie Fowler	1,291	$3,362,317
22. Keegan Bradley	1,278	$2,697,889
23. Hideki Matsuyama	1,253	$2,481,924
24. Matt Every	1,250	$2,506,290
25. John Senden	1,157	$2,275,285
26. Marc Leishman	1,118	$2,498,295
27. Tim Clark	1,068	$1,989,278
28. Kevin Stadler	1,062	$2,128,054
29. Gary Woodland	1,059	$2,222,419
30. Graham DeLaet	1,059	$2,269,612
31. Charles Howell III	1,042	$1,853,837
32. Charley Hoffman	1,026	$1,912,449
33. J.B. Holmes	1,001	$2,147,304
34. Bill Haas	980	$1,887,978
35. Jason Day	974	$2,463,018
36. Kevin Streelman	972	$2,007,480
37. George McNeill	962	$1,914,991
38. Ryan Palmer	953	$1,835,452
39. Matt Jones	950	$1,869,712
40. Seung-Yul Noh	950	$1,842,371
41. Graeme McDowell	929	$1,983,955
42. Will MacKenzie	920	$1,812,878
43. Justin Hicks	912	$1,532,401
44. Russell Knox	885	$1,350,830
45. Russell Henley	864	$1,748,520
46. Brian Stuard	854	$1,659,799
47. Daniel Summerhays	832	$1,360,448
48. Chris Stroud	829	$1,652,025
49. Steven Bowditch	817	$1,612,369
50. K.J. Choi	814	$1,608,178
51. Angel Cabrera	807	$1,636,359
52. Jason Dufner	798	$1,651,491
53. Scott Brown	797	$1,401,470
54. Ben Martin	789	$1,461,442
55. Cameron Tringale	781	$1,327,969
56. Ben Crane	774	$1,414,587
57. Jason Bohn	755	$1,460,979
58. Erik Compton	745	$1,669,463
59. Freddie Jacobson	740	$1,384,449
60. Charl Schwartzel	729	$1,632,293
61. Jerry Kelly	722	$4,274,859
62. Brendan Steele	718	$1,302,183
63. Luke Donald	715	$1,400,340
64. Chesson Hadley	705	$1,340,173
65. Hunter Mahan	690	$1,217,503
66. Billy Horschel	689	$1,302,346
67. Brendon de Jonge	689	$1,105,495
68. Ryo Ishikawa	680	$1,266,138
69. Scott Stallings	668	$1,348,739
70. Pat Perez	662	$1,289,705
71. Kevin Chappell	657	$962,894
72. Robert Garrigus	656	$1,081,217
73. Brandt Snedeker	646	$1,267,930
74. Ian Poulter	646	$1,519,043
75. David Hearn	645	$1,077,524
76. Jason Kokrak	632	$1,071,033
77. Billy Hurley III	630	$1,127,699
78. Scott Langley	623	$971,756
79. Shawn Stefani	619	$1,275,566
80. Michael Putnam	607	$788,121
81. Andrew Svoboda	603	$1,109,464
82. Carl Pettersson	599	$1,047,971
83. Jeff Overton	594	$1,051,701
84. Phil Mickelson	591	$1,039,875
85. Vijay Singh	591	$890,918
86. Geoff Ogilvy	591	$1,018,867
87. Robert Streb	585	$1,048,152
88. William McGirt	569	$802,618
89. Rory Sabbatini	567	$1,024,736
90. Jonas Blixt	565	$1,297,278
91. Retief Goosen	551	$797,040
92. Henrik Stenson	540	$1,151,435
93. John Huh	533	$914,463
94. Luke Guthrie	531	$783,867
95. Martin Flores	530	$1,020,867
96. Aaron Baddeley	528	$942,559
97. Stuart Appleby	524	$836,227
98. Ernie Els	518	$1,090,422
99. Kevin Kisner	510	$806,097
100. Michael Thompson	509	$921,170
101. Brian Davis	504	$805,689
102. Stewart Cink	504	$778,149
103. Camilo Villegas	502	$572,574
104. Boo Weekley	496	$815,553
105. Tim Wilkinson	494	$806,499
106. Justin Leonard	491	$807,949
107. Danny Lee	490	$712,345
108. Troy Merritt	482	$848,997
109. Ricky Barnes	474	$649,606
110. Bo Van Pelt	463	$711,868
111. Lee Westwood	461	$1,077,375
112. Fernandez-Castano	460	$750,219
113. Bryce Molder	455	$807,211
114. Brice Garnett	451	$586,476
115. Morgan Hoffmann	448	$671,972
116. Andres Romero	448	$642,394
117. David Toms	447	$719,455
118. Nick Watney	446	$665,448
119. James Hahn	445	$723,599
120. Robert Allenby	439	$514,288

'Hounds get drilled by Tulsa

Drillers	5
RockHounds	4

From staff reports

The RockHounds received a rare off day at home Monday, but the rest didn't help against Tulsa on Tuesday night. The Driller's pitchers limited Midland early and did just enough late for a 5-4 win.

Tulsa began the game with a three-run burst in the first inning against Sean Murphy, who lasted only three innings. There were no big blasts in the frame, but a walk, two singles and a double compounded for three runs.

It was a hole Midland (27-18) could never quite climb out of, as the Drillers added additional runs in the fourth and eighth innings.

Midland did manage to get on the scoreboard in the sixth inning when Kent Matthes continued his stellar offensive play. The right fielder lead off the inning with a single, promptly stole second base, and later scored thanks to a Max Muncy single.

Matthes wasn't done either. He added his 13th home run of the year in the eighth inning.

Midland made things interesting in the ninth, scoring a run and then loading the bases with just one out. But the Drillers held on, allowing just one run from that point for the narrow victory.

TL standings

Second Half

North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arkansas	25	18	.581	—
Northwest Arkansas	21	23	.477	4½
x-Tulsa	19	25	.419	7
Springfield	17	26	.395	8

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Midland	27	17	.614	—
x-Frisco	26	18	.591	1
San Antonio	21	23	.477	6
Corpus Christi	20	25	.444	7½

x-clinched first half

Tuesday's Scores

Tulsa 5, Midland 4
Corpus Christi 5, Northwest Arkansas 4
Springfield at Frisco, late
San Antonio at Arkansas, late

Today's Games

Midland at Frisco, 10:05 a.m.
San Antonio at Corpus Christi, 6:05 p.m.
Tulsa at Springfield, 6:09 p.m.
Northwest Arkansas at Arkansas, 6:10 p.m.

The RockHounds return to action against the Drillers in the second game of a three-game series tonight. First pitch is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. at Security Bank Ballpark.

Drillers 5, RockHounds 4

Tulsa	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
O'Dowd c	4	1	1	1	Crumbliss dh	4	1	2	1
Cleary Jr. cf	4	1	1	0	Myers lf	3	0	1	0
Feathrston 2b	4	2	3	2	Marte 3b	5	0	0	0
Castell 1b	4	0	2	1	Matthes rf	4	2	2	2
Humphries lf	4	0	2	1	Nakajima 2b	4	0	1	0
Story ss	4	0	0	0	Muncy 1b	4	0	2	1
Massey rf	4	0	1	0	Coleman ss	4	0	0	0
Simon dh	4	0	1	0	Maxwell c	4	0	1	0
Wong 3b	3	1	1	0	Wilson cf	4	1	2	0
Totals	35	5	12	5	Totals	36	4	11	4

Tulsa 300 100 010—5
Midland 000 001 012—4

DP — Tulsa (2), Midland (2). LOB — Tulsa (5), Midland (11). 2B — Castell (19), O'Dowd (2), Crumbliss (2), Nakajima (7). HR — Featherston (13), Matthes (13). SB — Wong (4), Humphries (5), Wilson (2), Matthes (3). CS — Cleary Jr. (4).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Tulsa						
Buttler W,5-6	5.0	4	0	0	3	4
Striz	1.0	2	1	1	0	1
Mueller	1.0	1	0	0	1	0
Sitton	1.0	2	1	1	0	1
White	1.0	2	2	2	2	0
Midland						
Murphy L,4-3	3.0	7	3	3	1	3
Smith	4.0	3	1	1	1	1
Dull	1.1	2	1	1	0	2
Gailey	0.2	0	0	0	0	1

WP — Striz.
T — 3:01. Att. — 3,600.

Saratoga tips hat to Irishman who started it all

Associated Press

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y. — Saratoga Race Course is tipping its top hat to John Morrissey, the Irish-born fighter-gambler-politician who punched his way to national fame before the Civil War, launched what's now the nation's oldest racetrack and got elected to public office in New York despite scant formal education and an unsavory background.

The Irish American Heritage Museum in Albany is using the track's Irish-American Day on Wednesday to highlight Morrissey's role in establishing Saratoga's first racing meet in 1863 and his opening of the race course at its current location a year later. The museum will have several panels from its recent Morrissey exhibit on display at the track, which is also featuring Irish music, dance, food and beverages along with a visit by Noel Kilkenny, the ambassador consul general of Ireland.

Other than closures forced by moral crusaders and World War II, Saratoga Race Course has been going strong since it opened on Aug. 2, 1864. Its 146th season is underway through Labor Day.

Morrissey was born in Tipperary, Ireland, in 1831. He was a toddler when his family moved to the United States and settled in Troy, a Hudson River mill town near Albany. He dropped out of school at a young age and worked in one of the mills, but his considerable size by age 18 — 6 feet tall, 175 pounds — and pugnacity earned him a job on the docks of Troy and later Manhattan, where he caught the eye of the city's Democratic Party machine.

Morrissey parlayed his work as a Tammany Hall enforcer into a career as a bare-knuckle prize fighter, winning major bouts that vaulted him into the national spotlight. By the start of the Civil War he had retired from boxing and focused his attention on gambling, opening casinos in New York City and Saratoga, an upstate resort town that attracted many of the nation's wealthiest people.

Noticing that the swells had time to kill before the casinos opened in the evening, Morrissey held the first organized thoroughbred races in Saratoga on Aug. 3, 1863. The four-day event proved so popular, Morrissey and his partners moved the races to a new track across Union Avenue the following August.

Morrissey stayed behind the scenes, letting his more cultured and socially prominent backers serve as the public face of Saratoga racing.

"He was very smart in a lot of ways," said Allan Carter, historian at the National Museum of Racing, located across the street from the racetrack.

Saratoga racing became even more popular after the Civil War ended, as rich Southerners resumed spending summers in the North. Morrissey opened a lavish casino in the middle of Saratoga, which became as well known for its various vices as for the many mineral springs that first drew visitors to the area decades earlier.

HAMMACK

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"I know where our guys are supposed to be," he said. "I know their good habits, I know their bad habits."

Hammack is one of six offensive starters returning for the Mustangs and he said that the chemistry has also improved, which is why he believes they have a chance to have an explosive offense this season.

"We have fun and we always play around with each other, our bond is so strong," Hammack said. "Our first receiving corps are stud receivers. Our running back, Tajh Kelly, he can take a load and if we need five yards or anything, he can get it. Plus our line is big, fast strong and just better."

With a more experienced offense, a more experienced defense and a quarterback with plenty of starts under his belt, the Mustangs believe good things are in store for the 2014 season.

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Suns' P.J. Tucker gets jail time, apologizes

Associated Press

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Phoenix Suns forward P.J. Tucker was sentenced to three days in jail and 11 days of home detention Monday after pleading guilty to "super extreme" driving under the influence.

"I am truly sorry and I take full responsibility for my actions. No excuses," Tucker said in a statement. "It is now my responsibility to examine my life and make the changes necessary to ensure this never happens again."

Police say Tucker had a blood alcohol level of .22 after he was arrested May 10 in Scottsdale, nearly three times the legal limit in Arizona.

Tucker agreed to put an interlock device on his car for 18 months, undergo substance abuse counseling and pay fines of $2,750. He was placed on probation for up to five years.

Details of the punishment and Tucker's statement were released by his attorneys following his court appearance on Monday.

"In considering this matter, we concluded that P.J. was sincere in his remorse and in his resolve to accept the consequences of his actions," Suns President of Basketball Operations Lon Babby said. "We are convinced that he will take the necessary steps to avoid any such conduct in the future. The Suns do not in any way condone his conduct, but we do support him as he works through this."

STROUP

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1-3A rival Amarillo San Jacinto.

Stroup and Avery Watson are the only players that return from that team as Trinity lost six key players to graduation.

That's part of the reason Stroup will have to take on the added role of playing on the back row this season.

"We need her to be one of our back row players because she's one of our best passers, but she's also going to have to be able to read and be able to get where she can get," said coach Ann Stroup. "It's going to be a challenge for her."

Ashley Stroup said at one time she thought about playing volleyball in college, but she's ready to focus on pursuing a degree and career in mechanical engineering.

Stroup is considering Georgia Tech, Clemson and Colorado School of Mines, and said if she does play volleyball it will be at the club level. She also added that after playing competitive for the last eight years, she's ready to move on to something new.

"I've been playing varsity for four years, and my body is kind of telling me it's just time," Stroup said. "My knees are getting really bad and so is my shoulder, and I want to play my best. I'm a little sad, and I love playing volleyball and love playing with these girls."

For now, though, both Stroups are ready to enjoy the end of a four-year run where they've had the chance to be around each other every day during the volleyball season.

"When we started three years ago, being the varsity coach and she was only a freshman, it felt like it was a long time," coach Stroup said. "Like everything when you get older, it's gone by very quickly, and it's been a fun experience to share with her."

And they hope to share a few more fun experiences this season.

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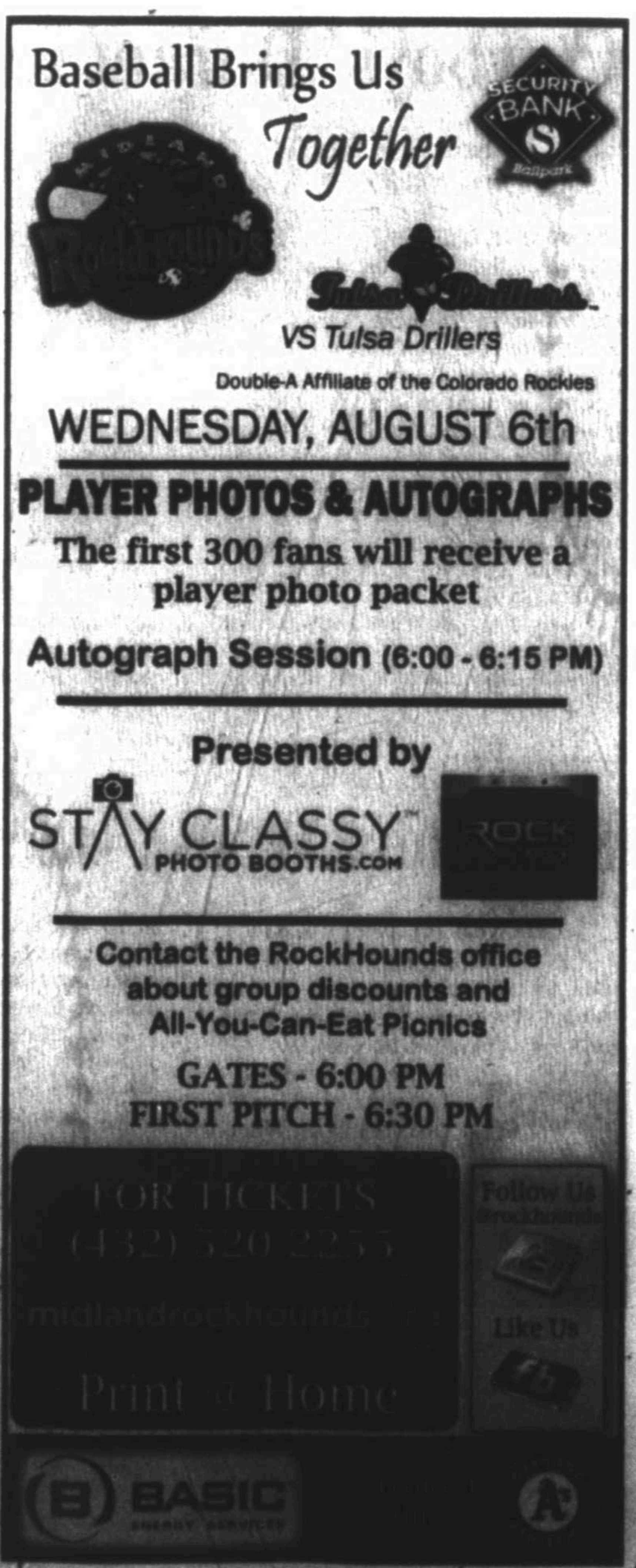
2014 TRINITY ROSTER

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Class
3	Kinzie Roemer	S/RS	5-6	Fr.
5	Mady Walker	OH	5-5	So.
6	Ashley Stroup	MB	6-1	Sr.
7	Carrie Herd	RS	5-7	So.
8	Annette Mayne	OH	5-5	Sr.
9	Abbie Beard	DS	5-4	So.
12	Clara Hart	RS	5-6	So.
14	Avery Watson	5-5	OH	Jr.
15	Claudia Zissman-Monzon	5-1	DS	Sr.
21	Averee Curlee	5-7	MB	So.
23	Hilary Lanier	5-2	S	So.
24	Callie Herd	5-9	OH	So.

2014 TRINITY SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time
Aug. 12	at Midland Christian	6:30 p.m.
Aug. 15-16	Wink Tournament	
Aug. 19	Lubbock Titans	5 p.m.
Aug. 22-23	Crane Tournament	
Aug. 26	at Pecos	6 p.m.
Aug. 29-30	Lake Country Christian Tournament	
Sept. 2	Alpine	6 p.m.
Sept. 9	at Fort Stockton	4 p.m.
Sept. 11	Midessa Warriors	6 p.m.
Sept. 16	Kermit	6 p.m.
Sept. 19	at San Angelo Lake View	5 p.m.
Sept. 23	Greenwood	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 23	Lubbock Titans	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 27	at Alpine/Fort Davis	TBA
Sept. 30	Midland Classical	*6 p.m.
Oct. 3	at Lubbock Christian	*6 p.m.
Oct. 4	at Ama. San Jacinto	*Noon
Oct. 10	Amarillo San Jacinto	*6 p.m.
Oct. 11	Abilene Christian	*Noon
Oct. 14	at Midland Classical	*6 p.m.
Oct. 18	Lubbock Christian	*Noon
Oct. 21	at Abilene Christian	*6 p.m.

* Denotes TAPPS 1-3A game



MLBROUNDUP

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American League

RANGERS 16
WHITE SOX 1

CHICAGO — Robinson Chirinos homered twice and Colby Lewis pitched a six-hitter to lead Texas to a 16-0 rout of the Chicago White Sox, the largest shutout victory in Rangers' history.

J.P. Arencibia, Adrian Beltre and Shin-Soo Choo also went deep for the Rangers, who set a season-high in runs scored and snapped a four-game losing streak.

ORIOLES 9
BLUE JAYS 3

TORONTO — Chris Davis homered and Caleb Joseph and Jonathan Schoop went deep back to back as the Baltimore Orioles beat the Toronto Blue Jays 9-3 Tuesday.

Davis, Nelson Cruz and J.J. Hardy all had two RBIs and the Orioles won their third straight game, each in a different city.

TIGERS 4
YANKEES 3

NEW YORK — David Price struck out 10 in his Detroit debut and was long gone when Alex Avila homered in the 12th inning to lift the Tigers over the New York Yankees 4-3 Tuesday night.

National League

METS 6
NATIONALS 1

WASHINGTON — Zack Wheeler allowed one run in 6 2-3 innings to win his fourth consecutive decision, and Daniel Murphy's two-run single helped the New York Mets beat the NL East-leading Washington Nationals 6-1 Tuesday.

MARLINS 6
PIRATES 3

PITTSBURGH — Adeiny Hechavarria had two hits and drove in a run during a decisive five-run rally in the eighth inning to help the Miami Marlins beat the Pittsburgh Pirates 6-3 on Tuesday night.

BREWERS 4
GIANTS 3

MILWAUKEE — Gerardo Parra snapped a tie with a home run in the seventh — his first hit since been acquired by the Brewers — and Milwaukee recorded the final out of its 4-3 victory Tuesday night against the San Francisco Giants when video replay overturned a safe call at first base.

With two outs in the ninth, Brewers closer Frankie Rodriguez walked Hunter Pence. Joe Panik then bounced to second baseman Rickie Weeks, who was shielded on the play by Pence before making the throw to first.

Interleague

REDS 9
INDIANS 2

CLEVELAND — Johnny Cueto threw his fourth complete game of the season and the Cincinnati Reds, aided by a bizarre play in which a Cleveland runner was fooled by a second ball on the field, defeated the Indians 9-2 on Tuesday night.

The Indians, trying to mount a comeback in the seventh, had a rally squelched after an errant warmup pitch from Cincinnati's bullpen came on the field.

Yan Gomes' double cut the lead to 6-2 and moved David Murphy to third as a ball thrown by reliever Jumbo Diaz rolled behind second base.

TWINS 3
PADRES 1

MINNEAPOLIS — Kennys Vargas hit a three-run homer in his first home game for Minnesota, powering the Twins past Jesse Hahn and the San Diego Padres 3-1 on Tuesday night.

Phil Hughes had a season-high nine strikeouts in six innings to snap a three-start losing streak.

CARDINALS 3
RED SOX 2

ST. LOUIS — Jon Jay hit an RBI single with two outs in the eighth inning to break a tie and lead the St. Louis Cardinals to a 3-2 win over the Boston Red Sox on Tuesday night.

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Texas Rangers left fielder Shin-Soo Choo (17) watches his homerun in the sixth inning against the Chicago White Sox in Chicago on Tuesday.

MLB STANDINGS, BOXES AND LINESCORES

STANDINGS
AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	64	48	.571	—
Toronto	60	54	.526	5
New York	58	54	.518	6
Tampa Bay	54	58	.482	10
Boston	49	63	.438	15

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	62	48	.564	—
Kansas City	57	53	.518	5
Cleveland	57	56	.504	6½
Chicago	55	59	.482	9
Minnesota	51	60	.459	11½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	68	43	.613	—
Los Angeles	67	44	.604	1
Seattle	57	54	.514	11
Houston	47	65	.420	21½
Texas	44	69	.389	25

Tuesday's Scores

Cincinnati 9, Cleveland 2
Detroit 4, N.Y. Yankees 3, 12 innings
Houston at Philadelphia, late
Baltimore 9, Toronto 3
Minnesota 3, San Diego 1
Texas 16, Chicago White Sox 0
St. Louis 3, Boston 2
Kansas City at Arizona, late
Tampa Bay at Oakland, late
Atlanta at Seattle, late
L.A. Angels at L.A. Dodgers, late

Today's Games

San Diego (Despaigne 2-3) at Minnesota (Correia 5-13), 12:10 p.m.
Texas (Williams 2-5) at Chicago White Sox (Sale 10-1), 1:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Hellickson 0-1) at Oakland (Gray 12-4), 2:35 p.m.
Atlanta (Teheran 10-7) at Seattle (C.Young 9-6), 2:40 p.m.
Detroit (Verlander 10-9) at N.Y. Yankees (Capuano 1-2), 6:05 p.m.
Houston (Peacock 3-7) at Philadelphia (D.Buchanan 5-5), 6:05 p.m.
Baltimore (W.Chen 12-3) at Toronto (Hutchison 7-9), 6:07 p.m.
Cleveland (Salazar 4-4) at Cincinnati (Latos 3-3), 6:10 p.m.
Boston (J.Kelly 0-0) at St. Louis (S.Miller 8-8), 7:15 p.m.
Kansas City (Ventura 8-8) at Arizona (Colmenter 8-5), 8:40 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Haren 8-9) at L.A. Angels (Shoemaker 9-3), 9:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	60	51	.541	—
Atlanta	58	54	.518	2½
Miami	55	57	.491	5½
New York	54	59	.478	7
Philadelphia	49	63	.438	11½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	62	51	.549	—
St. Louis	60	51	.541	1
Pittsburgh	59	53	.527	2½
Cincinnati	57	56	.504	5
Chicago	47	63	.427	13½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	63	50	.558	—
San Francisco	61	52	.540	2
San Diego	51	61	.455	11½
Arizona	49	63	.438	13½
Colorado	44	67	.396	18

Tuesday's Scores

Cincinnati 9, Cleveland 2
Miami 6, Pittsburgh 3
N.Y. Mets 6, Washington 1
Houston at Philadelphia, late
Minnesota 3, San Diego 1
Milwaukee 4, San Francisco 3
St. Louis 3, Boston 2
Chicago Cubs at Colorado, late
Kansas City at Arizona, late
Atlanta at Seattle, late
L.A. Angels at L.A. Dodgers, late

Today's Games

San Diego (Despaigne 2-3) at Minnesota (Correa 5-13), 12:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Teheran 10-7) at Seattle (C.Young 9-6), 2:40 p.m.
Houston (Peacock 3-7) at Philadelphia (D.Buchanan 5-5), 6:05 p.m.
Miami (Koehler 7-8) at Pittsburgh (Locke 2-3), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Niese 5-7) at Washington (Fister 10-3), 6:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Salazar 4-4) at Cincinnati (Latos 3-3), 6:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Vogelsong 6-8) at Milwaukee (Gallardo 6-5), 7:10 p.m.
Boston (J.Kelly 0-0) at St. Louis (S.Miller 8-8), 7:15 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 6-2) at Colorado (Lyles 5-1), 7:40 p.m.
Kansas City (Ventura 8-8) at Arizona (Colmenter 8-5), 8:40 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Haren 8-9) at L.A. Angels (Shoemaker 9-3), 9:05 p.m.

TUESDAY'S AL WEST BOX SCORES
RANGERS 16, WHITE SOX 0

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	Chicago	ab	r	h	bi
Choo lf	4	2	2	1	Eaton cf	4	0	0	0
Carp ph-rf	2	0	0	0	AlRmrz ss	4	0	1	0
Andrus ss	4	1	1	1	JAreu 1b	4	0	1	0
Rios rf	4	1	1	1	A.Dunn dh-p	4	0	0	0
Adduci ph-lf	2	1	1	0	Viciedo lf	3	0	1	0
ABeltre 3b	4	2	1	2	Gillaspi 3b	4	0	2	0
Arencii dh	5	1	3	4	Flowrs c	2	0	0	0
Rosales 1b	4	2	2	1	Nieto c	1	0	0	0
Odor 2b	6	1	1	0	LeGarc 2b	3	0	1	0
Chirins c	5	3	3	2	Sierra rf	3	0	0	0
DnRrts cf	4	2	3	3					
Totals	44	16	18	15	Totals	32	0	6	0

Texas .... 340 021 411—16
Chicago .... 000 000 000— 0

DP—Texas 1, Chicago 1. LOB—Texas 9, Chicago 6. 2B—Choo (17), Andrus (26), Arencibia (6), Al.Ramirez (21). HR—Choo (10), A.Beltre (16), Arencibia (7), Chirinos 2 (11). S—Andrus.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Texas						
Lewis W,8-8	9	6	0	0	1	7
Chicago						
Joh.Danks L,9-7	4 2-3	8	9	9	5	5
Cleto	1 1-3	1	1	1	0	1
Rienzo	1	5	4	4	0	2
Surkamp	1	2	1	1	1	0
A.Dunn	1	2	1	1	1	0

WP—Rienzo 2.
T—2:56. A—21,827 (40,615).

MONDAY'S LATE AL WEST BOX SCORES
ATHLETICS 3, RAYS 2, 10 INNINGS

Tampa Bay	ab	r	h	bi	Oakland	ab	r	h	bi
DJnngs cf	5	0	2	1	Fuld cf-lf	5	1	2	0
Zobrist lf	4	0	0	0	Jaso dh	4	0	0	0
Joyce dh	5	0	0	0	Dnldsn 3b	4	0	1	1
Longon 3b	4	1	1	1	Moss lf-1b	5	0	0	0
Loney 1b	4	0	2	0	DNorrs c	6	0	1	1
SRdrgz pr-1b	0	0	0	0	Reddck rf	5	1	1	0
Forsyth 2b	3	0	0	0	Lowrie ss	4	0	3	1
YEscor ss	4	0	0	0	Vogt 1b	3	0	0	0
JMolin c	3	0	0	0	Crisp ph-cf	1	0	0	0
Guyer ph	1	0	0	0	Sogard 2b	2	1	2	0
Casali c	0	0	0	0	JGoms ph	0	0	0	0
Kiermr rf	4	1	1	0	Callasp 2b	1	0	0	0
Totals	37	2	6	2	Totals	40	3	10	3

Tampa Bay .... 010 010 000 0—2
Oakland .... 001 001 000 1—3

Two outs when winning run scored.
E—Longoria (7), Lowrie (11), Donaldson (19). LOB—Tampa Bay 7, Oakland 18. 2B—Lowrie (28). 3B—Kiermaier (5). HR—Longoria (14). SB—De.Jennings (14), Zobrist (9), Forsythe (1), Fuld 2 (15). S—Forsythe.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Tampa Bay						
Cobb	5 2-3	7	2	2	4	4
Jo.Peralta	1	1	0	0	2	1
Boxberger	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	3
McGee	1	0	0	0	1	1
Balfour L,1-4	2-3	2	1	1	2	1
Oakland						
Samardzija	7	5	2	2	1	3
Gregerson	1	0	0	0	0	0
Doolittle	1	1	0	0	0	1
Cook W,1-1	1	0	0	0	0	2

HBP—by Cobb (Jaso).
T—3:57. A—18,479 (35,067).

ANGELS 5, DODGERS 0

Los Angeles (A)	ab	r	h	bi	Los Angeles (N)	ab	r	h	bi
Calhon rf	4	1	1	0	DGordn 2b	4	0	1	0
Trout cf	4	1	1	1	Puig cf	4	0	0	0
Pujols 1b	4	0	2	1	AdGnzl 1b	4	0	0	0
JHmltn lf	4	1	1	1	HRmrz ss	4	0	1	0
Aybar ss	4	1	1	0	Kemp rf	3	0	0	0
HKndrc 2b	4	1	0	0	Crwfrd lf	4	0	2	0
Freese 3b	4	0	1	1	Uribe 3b	3	0	1	0
JMcDnl 3b	0	0	0	0	Frias p	0	0	0	0
Conger c	4	0	0	0	Ethier ph	1	0	0	0
Richrds p	4	0	0	0	A.Ellis c	2	0	0	0
Greink p	2	0	0	0					
JuTmr 3b	1	0	0	0					
Totals	38	5	7	4	Totals	32	0	5	0

Los Angeles (A) .... 400 001 000—5
Los Angeles (N) .... 000 000 000—0

E—H.Ramirez 2 (12). LOB—Los Angeles (A) 4, Los Angeles (N) 7. 2B—Trout (32), Pujols (26). HR—J.Hamilton (8).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Los Angeles (A)						
Richards W,12-4	9	5	0	0	2	9
Los Angeles (N)						
Greinke L,12-7	7	6	5	3	0	5
Frias	2	1	0	0	0	2

WP—Richards 2, Greinke 2.
T—2:49. A—53,166 (56,000).

TUESDAY'S LINESCORES
AMERICAN LEAGUE

ORIOLES 9, BLUE JAYS 3

Baltimore .... 001 311 030 —9 14 0
Toronto .... 000 200 100 —3 12 1

B.Norris, Matusz (6), Tom.Hunter (7), A.Miller (8), McFarland (9) and C.Joseph; Buehrle, Aa.Sanchez (5), Cecil (7), McGowan (8), Loup (8), Jenkins (9) and D.Navarro. W—B.Norris 9-7. L—Buehrle 11-8. HRs—Baltimore, C.Joseph (6), Schoop (9), C.Davis (18). Toronto, Col.Rasmus (15).

TIGERS 4, YANKEES 3

Detroit .... 100 001 100 001—4 8 0
New York .... 011 010 000 000—3 8 0

Price, Chamberlain (9), Soria (11), Nathan (12) and Avila; Kuroda, Betances (8), Kelley (9), Huff (10), Rogers (10), R.Hill (11), Daley (11) and McCann. W—Soria 2-4. L—Daley 0-1. Sv—Nathan (23). HRs—Detroit, An.Romine (2), Avila (8). New York, McCann (12), Prado (1).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
METS 6, NATIONALS 1

New York .... 110 000 310 —6 11 0
Washington .... 010 000 000 —1 8 0

Za.Wheeler, Edgin (7), Familia (8), Eveland (9) and d'Arnaud; G.Gonzalez, Storen (7), Treinen (8) and Lobaton. W—Za.Wheeler 7-8. L—G.Gonzalez 6-8.

MARLINS 6, PIRATES 3

Miami .... 000 100 050 —6 9 0
Pittsburgh .... 001 000 101 —3 7 1

Hand, A.Ramos (7), Morris (8), Hatcher (9) and Saltalamacchia; Morton, J.Hughes (8), Ju.Wilson (8), J.Gomez (8), Pimentel (8) and C.Stewart. W—A.Ramos 5-0. L—J.Hughes 6-3.

BREWERS 4, GIANTS 3

San Francisco .... 000 003 000 —3 6 0
Milwaukee .... 002 010 10x —4 8 1

Lincecum, Machi (7) and Susac; J.Nelson, W.Smith (8), Jeffress (8), Fr.Rodriguez (9) and Lucroy. W—J.Nelson 2-2. L—Machi 6-1. Sv—Fr.Rodriguez (33). HRs—San Francisco, Sandoval (13). Milwaukee, C.Gomez (16), G.Parra (7).

INTERLEAGUE
REDS 6, INDIANS 2

Cincinnati .... 130 110 003 —9 15 0
Cleveland .... 100 000 100 —2 5 1

Cueto and B.Pena; Tomlin, Carrasco (5), Crockett (9) and Y.Gomes. W—Cueto 13-6. L—Tomlin 5-8. HRs—Cincinnati, R.Santiago (1), Bruce (11).

TWINS 3, PADRES 1

San Diego .... 000 010 000 —1 12 0
Minnesota .... 000 003 00x —3 5 0

Hahn, Boyer (6), Thayer (8) and Grandal; P.Hughes, Thielbar (7), Fien (8), Perkins (9) and K.Suzuki. W—P.Hughes 11-8. L—Hahn 7-3. Sv—Perkins (28). HRs—San Diego, Alonso (6). Minnesota, K.Vargas (1).

CARDINALS 3, RED SOX 2

Boston .... 000 010 100 —2 5 0
St. Louis .... 000 100 11x —3 10 1

R.De La Rosa, Layne (7), Badenhop (7), Tazawa (8) and Vazquez; Lynn, Neshek (8), Rosenthal (9) and Pierzynski. W—Neshek 5-0. L—Tazawa 1-3. Sv—Rosenthal (35).

Scandal

From 1C

were promised that the substances would not be found through drug testing, prosecutors said.

"He is not a doctor," Mark R. Trouville, chief of the Miami Drug Enforcement Administration office, said of Bosch. "He is a drug dealer."

U.S. Attorney Wifredo A. Ferrer said Bosch did not have a medical license, making what happened all the more dangerous.

"As with many drug cases, these defendants were motivated by one thing — by money," Ferrer said.

Major League Baseball was not part of the criminal investigation and declined comment. No athletes were charged nor named in court documents, and it is unclear how many may have been involved. However, authorities said Bosch admitted to providing performance-enhancing drugs to 18 high schoolers.

For now, Bosch has pleaded not guilty and his bond was set at $100,000. He faces up to 10 years in prison.

"In terms of an agreement to cooperate and plead guilty, Bosch has agreed to do that," Ferrer said.

Michael McCann, director of the sports and entertainment law center at the University of New Hampshire School of Law, said it's unlikely that the players involved in this scandal will face criminal charges, unless there's any evidence that a player went beyond using drugs and into distributing them.

"They could lose an endorsement contract because of a morals clause in their contract, but if that were to happen I think it would have already happened," McCann said. "In terms of punishment from baseball, baseball has punished them."

The prosecution may have taken so long because investigators might have wanted to confirm the information they were getting from Bosch, even if he was cooperating, McCann said.

"He's not somebody with a great track record, there are reasons to doubt him in terms of his credibility," he said.

Joe Tacopina, a lawyer for Rodriguez, said the arrests Tuesday represent a degree of closure for Rodriguez and will enable him to focus on an eventual return to baseball.

"It sort of reinforces the notion that Alex committed no crime, number one," Tacopina said. "And number two, quite frankly, this really signified the beginning of the end of the whole Biogenesis saga and allows Alex to focus on the future going forward."

Rodriguez is currently serving a season-long suspension, the longest penalty in the sport's history related to performance-enhancing drugs. He was the only one 14 players involved in the scandal to contest his penalty.

However, since the investigation is ongoing, it remains possible that more players could eventually face sanctions as a result of the Biogenesis probe.

Rodriguez denied taking steroids while playing for the Yankees, though his cousin was banned from the team's clubhouse, charter flights and other activities after Rodriguez said Sucart obtained the steroids he used while playing for the Rangers.

Bosch was charged with conspiracy to distribute testosterone, as was Sucart, Carlos Javier Acevedo, Jorge Augustine Velazquez, Christopher Benjamin Engroba, Juan Carlos Nunez and Lazaro Daniel Collazo — a well-known youth and college baseball coach who has worked at schools including Miami, Louisville, Florida State and South Florida.

Acevedo pleaded not guilty and his bond was set at $100,000. Engroba pleaded not guilty and his bond was $50,000. No other pleas were entered Tuesday.

Court documents say that from October 2008 through December 2012, Bosch willfully conspired to distribute the anabolic steroid testosterone.

Prosecutors also announced the arrest of three others in a drug ring discovered during the course of the investigation into Biogenesis. However, that case, which centered around the stimulant known as "molly," was not directly connected to Bosch.

Rory McIlroy wary of all the hype entering the PGA

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Golf stories about Rory McIlroy are a lot more flattering than those a year ago. And if he reads too much into them, they can be a lot more dangerous.

McIlroy went wire to wire at Hoylake to win the British Open. Then, he overpowered Firestone on the weekend to win his first World Golf Championship. Now he is the overwhelming favorite at the PGA Championship. He is looked on in some corners as a sure thing, a label once reserved only for Tiger Woods.

Boy Wonder is not so sure about that.

"Sometimes I feel that people are too quick to jump to conclusions," McIlroy said Tuesday before heading out for his first look at Valhalla. "I've had a great run of golf and I've played well over the past few months. Look, I said at the start of the year that golf was looking for someone to put their hand up and sort of become one of the dominant players in the game. I felt like I had the ability to do that. And it's just nice to be able to win a few tournaments and get back to where I feel I should be."

He is No. 1 in the world again. He has three wins in his last seven starts. And with three legs of the career Grand Slam — only Woods and Jack Nicklaus were younger than the 25-year-old McIlroy when they achieved that — there was even talk about the start of a new era.

McIlroy wasn't buying.

"I'm just really happy with where my golf game is at the minute, and I just want to try and continue that for as long as possible," he said. "And people can say what they want to say. That's fine. But I can't read too much into it. ... Because if you read everything that was being written, I'd turn up at the first tee on Thursday thinking I'd already won the tournament."

The question lingered Tuesday whether Woods was going to make it to the first tee at all.

Woods injured his back Sunday — just four months after back surgery — and canceled his news conference Tuesday. There was no word on his prospects, presumably because he wanted to give himself as much time as possible to see if he could play.

Even if he did, that wouldn't take the focus from McIlroy.

McIlroy appears to be in full flight, just as he was in his record victory at Congressional in the 2011 U.S. Open, and just as he was when he won the PGA Championship by a record eight shots in 2012, and then added three more wins the rest of the year against strong fields.

Valhalla, where Woods won 14 years ago, would appear to be suited for him. Then again, just about any course is for a guy who hits it long and straight.

McIlroy said his work in gym has added about 7 pounds of muscle in recent months, and he is now the heaviest he has been. He also has shortened his swing, which would make him more accurate off the tee.

"He's such a great driver of the golf ball," Phil Mickelson said as he looked back on McIlroy's win at Firestone. "Even though the golf course was fairly tight and hitting fairways is important, he kept hitting drivers and he kept putting the ball in play and he kept playing the course aggressively and making birdies. And he plays to his strength. He's just a very good talent. We've been waiting a year, year and a half now for it to turn. And it's really turned for him. And he's tough to beat."

McIlroy was foundering at this time a year, missing the cut in three out of six tournaments, not even sniffing contention as he worked through equipment changes. The final touch was an alignment issue he solved after the Masters, and he is soaring now.

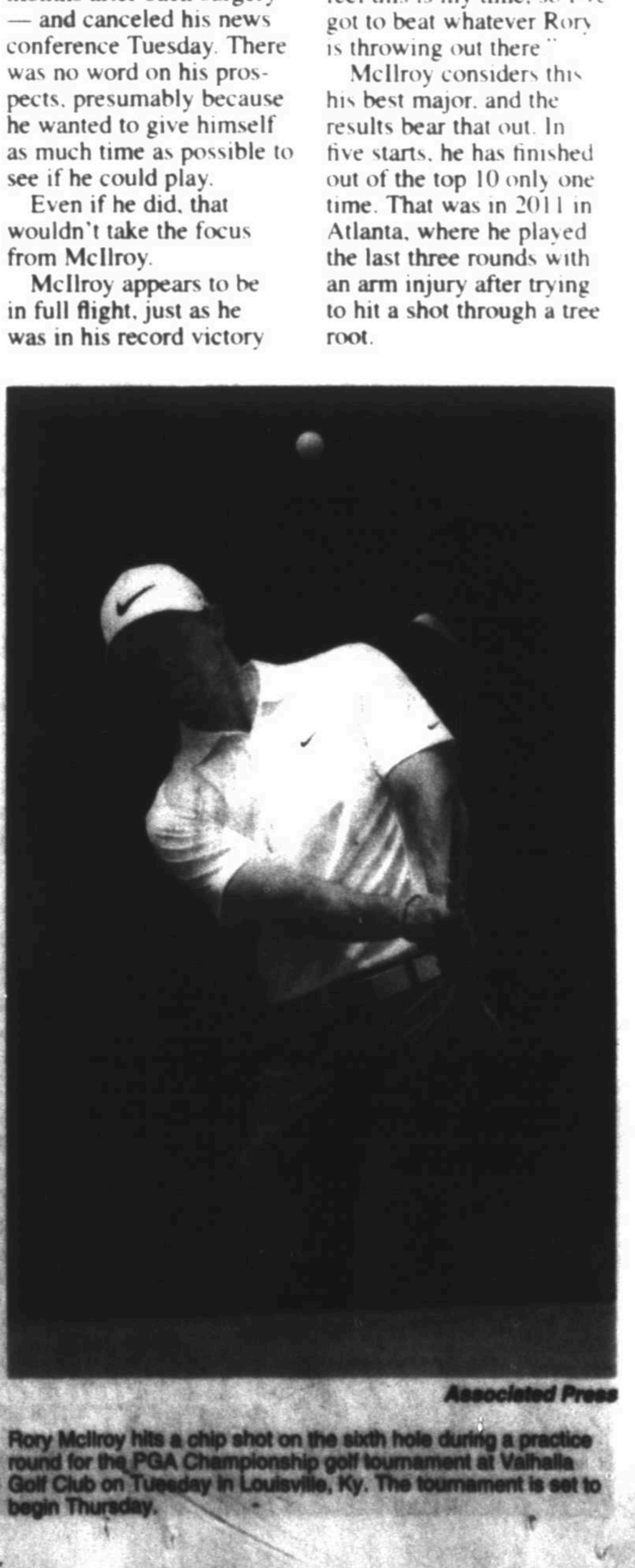
Of the 13 players to win a major and a World Golf Championship, McIlroy and Woods are the only ones to win them in consecutive starts. In the last 20 years, Woods, Padraig Harrington and Nick Price are the only players to win the final two majors of the year.

McIlroy ended Adam Scott's 11-week run at No. 1, and his intent is to stay there.

"I think the right guy is at No. 1 at the moment," Scott said. "I hope that I could go ahead and win this week and maybe go back to No. 1. But there's no doubt Rory has played the best golf over the last few months.

"It's only motivating to see Rory play so well," he said. "I've said a lot that I feel this is my time, so I've got to beat whatever Rory is throwing out there."

McIlroy considers this his best major, and the results bear that out. In five starts, he has finished out of the top 10 only one time. That was in 2011 in Atlanta, where he played the last three rounds with an arm injury after trying to hit a shot through a tree root.



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Rory McIlroy hits a chip shot on the sixth hole during a practice round for the PGA Championship golf tournament at Valhalla Golf Club on Tuesday in Louisville, Ky. The tournament is set to begin Thursday.

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Athletes train for the USA Swimming National Championships at the William Woollett Jr. Aquatics Complex in Irvine, Calif., on Tuesday. The five-day U.S. nationals starts Wednesday, with berths for next year's world championships at stake.

Franklin, Phelps, Lochte have something to prove

By Beth Harris
Associated Press

IRVINE, Calif. — Missy Franklin was as successful in the classroom during her first year of college as the four-time Olympic gold medalist is in the pool.

She scored all A's taking four classes during her second semester at the University of California.

"I was like, 'This is like eight best times,'" she said Tuesday. "I remember calling my parents, and that was just one of those moments where it's exactly like going a best time. You've put in all that work and all that effort, and you get an amazing reward."

Before she begins her sophomore year at Berkeley, Franklin is competing in her biggest meet of the year starting Wednesday. She is set to swim four events at U.S. nationals in Irvine, California, where berths on the American team for the Pan Pacific Championships later this month and next year's world championships are at stake.

Franklin will swim the 100-meter freestyle on Wednesday, an event that includes fellow Olympians Allison Schmitt, Natalie Coughlin, and Katie Ledecky. Franklin follows that up with a double on Thursday in the 200 free and 200 backstroke, and the 200 back on Saturday.

Four years ago in Irvine, Franklin was dancing on the deck to Justin Bieber's music as a 16-year-old at nationals.

"Chances are you'll probably see me doing that again," the self-described "huge dork" said.

Fast-forward and Franklin said she's "still the exact same person who's sitting up here right now, still just that exuberant, loving-life girl who is swimming, and that's all that matters. I get the opportunity to do what I love every single day."

Three months into his comeback, Michael Phelps is competing at nationals for the first time in two years. He will swim four events, his most ambitious schedule yet since returning to competition in April.

"I still have goals and things that I want to achieve, and I enjoy competing more than anything else," he said.

Phelps and old rival Ryan Lochte will square off in all the same events, and Lochte has something to prove, too. The three-time Olympian is coming off major knee surgery, and no one is quite sure what to expect from him.

"My knee has been doing really good," he said. "It's back to 100 percent. I'm doing everything I could do before knee surgery."

Lochte finished behind Phelps in the 100 butterfly and the 100 backstroke at a meet in Georgia last month.

"I'm glad he's back," said Lochte, who reminded everyone that he had correctly predicted Phelps would un-retire. "It's definitely good for the sport and it helps me out, too, just because we push each other. He's one of the best in swimming, and I always like a challenge."

Phelps and Lochte will be part of a loaded field in the 100 free on opening night. Nathan Adrian, Anthony Ervin, Jimmy Feigen, Matt Grevers and Conor Dwyer will try to qualify for the eight-man final, too.

"My freestyle stroke has been a little different, but it felt a little off," Phelps said. "It felt better today than it has over the last couple weeks."

Bob Bowman, Phelps' coach, attributes the 18-time Olympic champion being less comfortable with his freestyle stroke because Phelps is used to swimming the 200. Now, he's switching to the shorter race.

"He's just getting used to that, the tempo and stuff," Bowman said. "Like in that first turn today, I said it looked like you're doing the 200, do another one like a 100."

Earlier Tuesday, Phelps announced he has signed a suit deal with Aqua Sphere, which will design a racing suit for the first time. He won't wear the new suit until January; for now, he plans to wear a cap and goggles designed by the company.

US men's basketball chooses 16 roster finalists

By Brian Mahoney
Associated Press

Paul George's broken right leg has already created questions about the future of NBA players in international competitions.

The U.S. national team can't worry about that now. The Americans' immediate concerns are his health, and what they have to do to win without him.

The Americans have 16 players left in their roster pool after cutting three Tuesday — and 25 days to determine which of them can fill the role that George would have handled.

"He's a guy that would demand significant minutes ... even on a U.S. team, where he probably would've been a starter," coach Mike Krzyzewski said during a conference call, noting that George could have played some power forward along with small forward.

"Paul is one of the great defensive players in the league," Krzyzewski added. "So earlier in the week we had talked — he had even come up to me and said, 'Coach, that's the role I want. I want to be able to defend whoever is the best perimeter player. Whoever you want me to be on, I want to do that for you.' And so you lose a player of that caliber, you take a hit."

The Americans trimmed the roster by cutting Washington's John Wall and Bradley Beal, and Atlanta's Paul Millsap. They have to get down to 12 before the World Cup of Basketball begins Aug. 30 in Spain.

The players remaining are: Oklahoma City's Kevin Durant, Chicago's Derrick Rose, Cleveland's Kyrie Irving, New Orleans' Anthony Davis, Golden State's Stephen Curry and Klay Thompson, Houston's James Harden, Atlanta's Kyle Korver, Sacramento's DeMarcus Cousins, Dallas' Chandler Parsons, Utah's Gordon Hayward, Toronto's DeMar DeRozan, Portland's Damian Lillard, Denver's Kenneth Faried, Detroit's Andre Drummond and Brooklyn's Mason Plumlee.

MLS All-Stars prep quickly for Bayern Munich

Associated Press

PORTLAND, Ore. — By the time the MLS All-Star game rolls around on Wednesday night, coach Caleb Porter will have had two training sessions with his All-Stars.

Porter is hoping his side has some fast learners.

The MLS All-Stars face a considerable challenge in German power Bayern Munich, which boasts some six players from the World Cup champion German national team.

The MLS squad has plenty of players from the U.S. team that advanced to the round of 16 this summer in Brazil, including Clint Dempsey of the Seattle Sounders and Michael Bradley of Toronto FC.

The All-Stars hold a 7-3-1 record over visiting teams in the annual showcase, but last year the MLS fell 3-1 to AS Roma.

Ed Sprinkle, football's 'meanest man,' dies at 90

Associated Press

PALOS HEIGHTS, Ill. — Ed Sprinkle, a star defensive end for the Chicago Bears in the 1940s and '50s who was called the "meanest man" in football, has died. He was 90.

He died July 28 in the Chicago suburb of Palos Heights, daughter Susan Withers said.

Sprinkle played for the Bears from 1944 to 1955 under coach George Halas, including the 1946 championship team. Sprinkle was elected to the Chicago Sports Hall of Fame in 1984.

"He loved playing football and his whole career he never went to another football team," Withers said.

Despite being only 200 pounds, Sprinkle was labeled the "meanest man" in football in a Collier's magazine article in 1950. He was nicknamed "The Claw" for using his forearm to deliver blows to opponents. He leveled plenty of quarterbacks, although it was hard to say how many because he played long before such statistics were kept.

"He said in one game he knows he had five sacks," Withers said.

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This 1967 photo shows former Chicago Bears defensive end Ed Sprinkle, right, and his son, Alan, at a golf tournament in Midlothian, Ill. Sprinkle, who played for the Bears from 1944 to 1955 under coach George Halas, including the 1946 championship team, died July 28 in Palos Heights, Ill. He was 90.

Sprinkle served with the U.S. Navy. He went into the carpeting and tile business after football and also owned a bowling alley. He stayed active with the NFL, playing in charity golf outings.

DURANT

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with hamstring and groin issues. "The more competition that we have, the better it's going to bring out of each person."

Lee has been a constant presence in meeting rooms since he tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his left knee in May. The Cowboys decided they wanted to keep that going in California.

"If you look at Durant last year, I thought that when he was in, he made a lot of plays and was really effective," Lee said. "Hopefully he can stay healthy. I think he can make a lot of plays for us. Obviously our room and our defense has a lot to prove."

Durant was a starter alongside Lee and Bruce Carter the first two games last year before injuries started getting in the way. He made a late-season start in the middle while Lee was battling a neck problem before he had to join Lee on the sideline the final two games with a hamstring injury.

Even when he was healthy, he had to battle veteran Ernie Sims for playing time and came away from the season thinking he needed to get better. As much as he hated to see Lee go down, now he's feeling rejuvenated.

"He had a real good summer," linebackers coach Matt Eberflus said. "He came back in good shape. So he understands he's played a long time, understands his body, understands space. We look for him to be real good and solid in there."

But the competition with McClain is far from over, and second-year player DeVonte Holloman shouldn't be forgotten.

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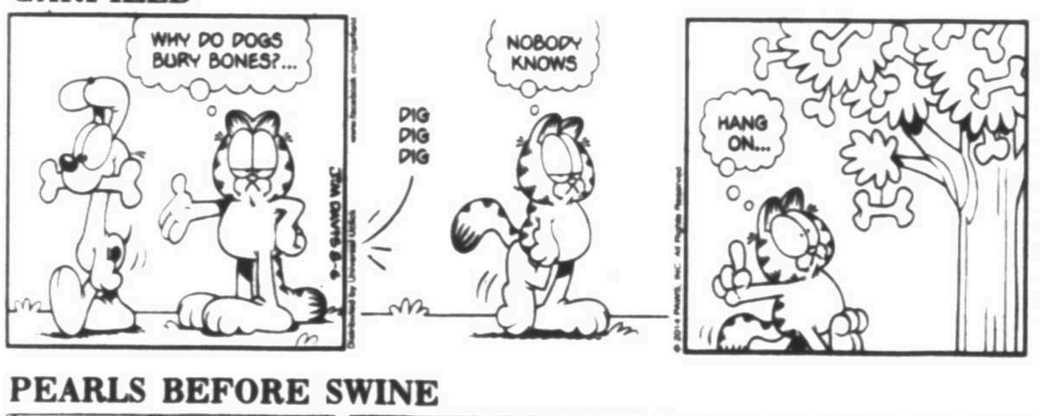

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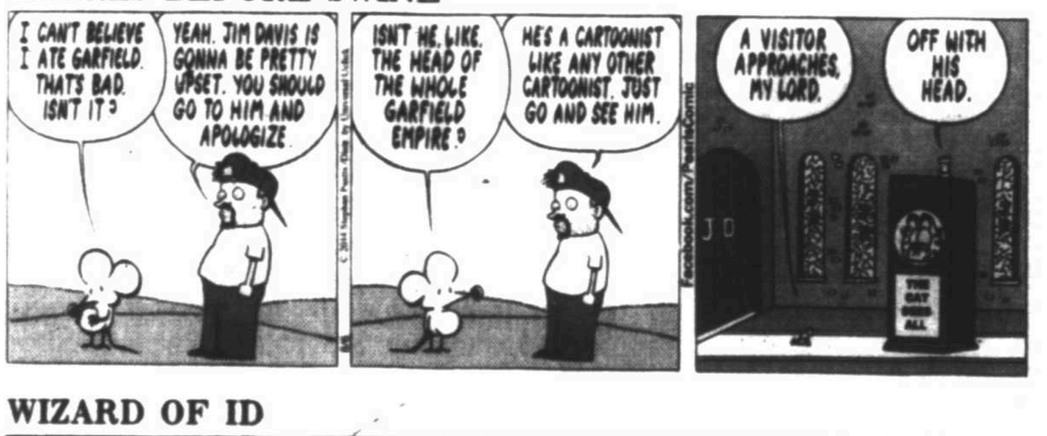

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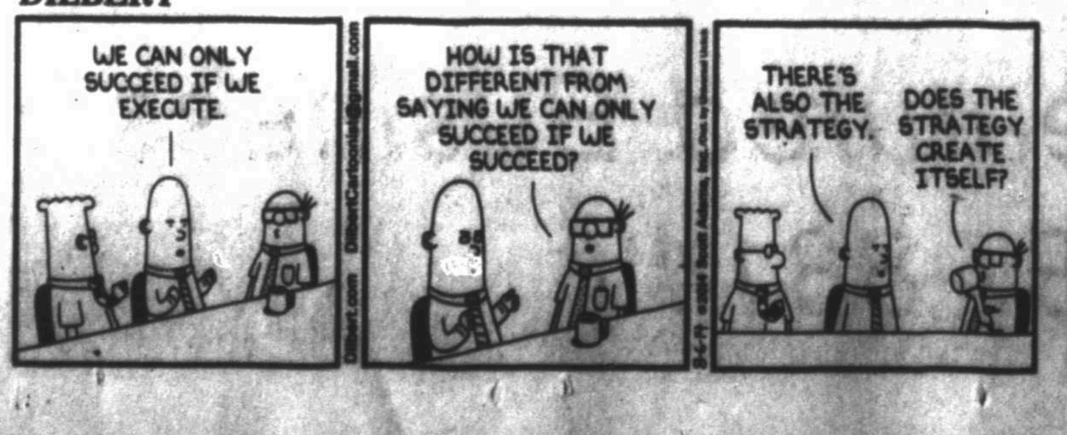

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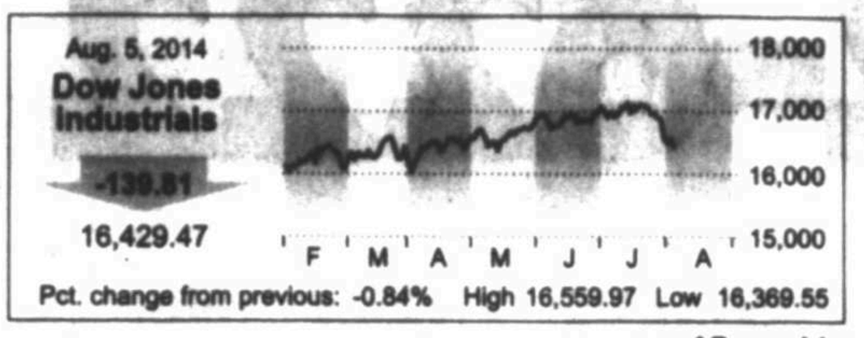

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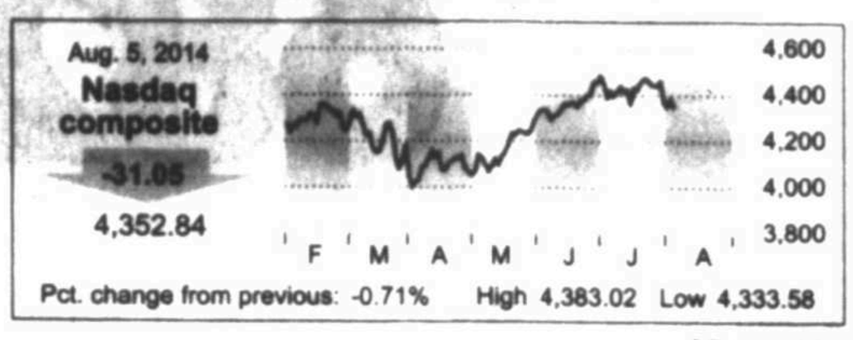

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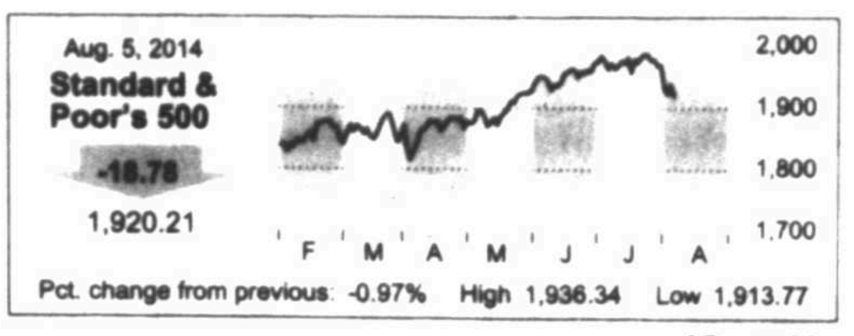

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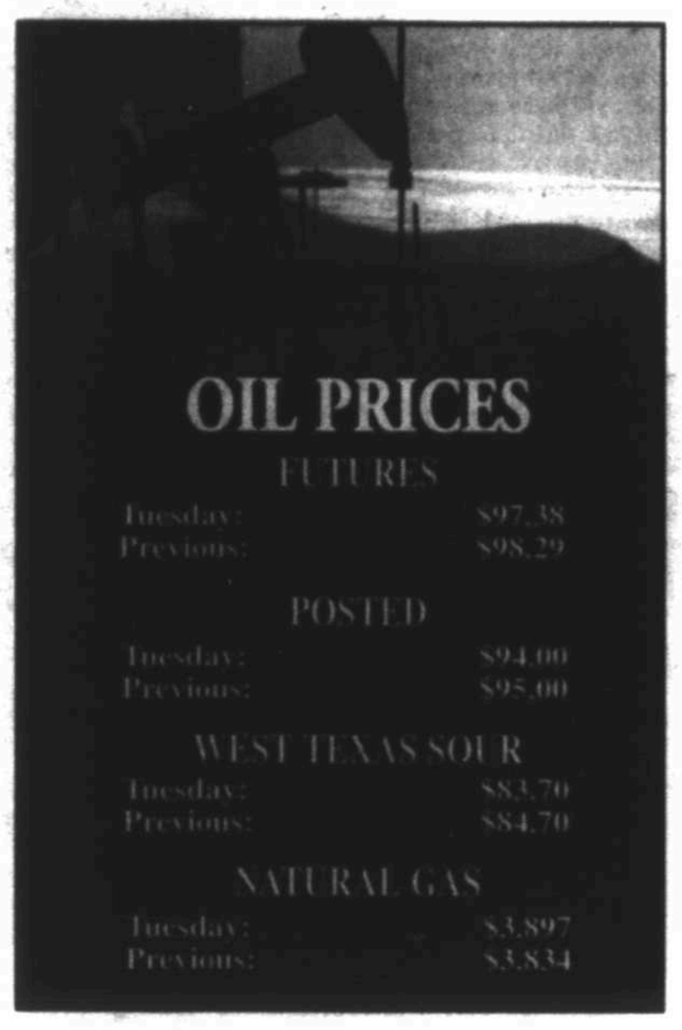

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AmEagE rs	5.77	-.34	-5.6

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Intel	490087	32.82	-1.00
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PwShs QQQ	439134	94.59	-.73
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RadioOne	3.36	-.86	-20.3
RadioOneD	3.41	-.83	-19.6

DIARY

Advanced	1,111
Declined	1,553
Unchanged	144
Total issues	2,808
New Highs	27
New Lows	79
Volume	1,856,364,481

Residents: Companies must restrict emissions at refineries

Associated Press

GALENA PARK — Environmental advocates and residents living near oil refineries asked the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on Tuesday to force petroleum companies to adopt stricter emissions standards and publicly release emissions data to help reduce communities' exposure to a cancer-causing chemical.

By midafternoon, about 60 people had addressed the federal agency during a hearing on the EPA's proposal to compel refineries — for the first time — to monitor and report emissions of benzene to nearby communities.

"I really didn't know the extent of the dangers of being exposed to all these fumes. Finding out what you're really breathing, it's scary. Still, better to know than be kept in the dark," said Maricela Serna, a Galena Park city commissioner.

The new rule also would compel refiners to purchase and place monitors to track emissions of the carcinogen into those communities, upgrade storage tank and emission controls on coker units, where crude oil is pumped at the beginning of the refining process, and reduce flaring.

Residents from Texas, California, Louisiana and Michigan attended the hearing in suburban Houston. It was the second and final public hearing resulting from a lawsuit filed by Earthjustice and the Environmental Integrity Project on behalf of U.S. communities near oil refineries. The suit, filed against the EPA, argued that the federal agency was more than a decade late in reviewing and updating toxic air standards for refineries.

Theresa Landrum traveled to Texas from Detroit to testify about the "toxic soup" she said she and her neighbors are exposed to from living alongside a refinery. A cancer survivor, Landrum said she lost her mother, father and brother to cancer she believes was caused by refinery emissions.

"The fenceline monitoring will help us determine what is coming out of those stacks," she said.

Adan Vazquez said that in winter, "snow flurries look like ash" because of a refinery near the Houston Ship Channel less than a mile from his Pasadena home.

Kelly Haragan, who directs the University of Texas School of Law environmental law clinic in Austin, echoed the opinion of many environmental experts, saying that the EPA's proposed rules are important but insufficient.

While applauding fenceline monitoring of benzene emissions as a "wonderful concept," Haragan asked the EPA to also monitor other toxins and provide the data in real-time. The monitors the EPA has proposed would release data to the public two weeks after it is collected.

The EPA cannot use real-time monitors because they are less perceptive to low concentrations of benzene, according to EPA spokeswoman Alison Davis.

Haragan also asked the EPA to revise the 1 in 10,000 cancer risk from benzene emissions it currently deems acceptable, which Davis said EPA will consider in its review after the public comment period ends August 29.

On that standard, Matthew Todd of the American Petroleum Institute, an oil and gas lobbying group, testified Tuesday that EPA has determined that fenceline communities are shielded with an "ample margin of safety" from refinery emissions.

Todd added that air quality nationwide has improved significantly since major revisions to the Clean Air Act were made in 1990, in part because of billions invested by oil and gas companies to improve the "environmental performance" of facilities, operations and products.

Target estimates breach costs

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Target has lowered its second-quarter forecast citing the promotional discounts it had to use to attract shoppers.

The Minneapolis-based retailer also said Tuesday it expects gross expenses tied to a massive data breach this past winter to come to $148 million in the period, which will be offset by $38 million in insurance. It also paid $1 billion to retire $725 million in debt.

Target Corp. has been reeling since it announced in December that hackers stole millions of customers' credit- and debit-card records. The theft hurt the chain's reputation and profits and spawned dozens of legal actions. Target is facing troubles on a number of other fronts as well, including the perceptions that its prices are higher than those at Wal-Mart Stores Inc.

The company's expansion into Canada, its first foray outside the U.S., has also been a disappointment. Analysts have said that Target botched its Canadian expansion by moving too aggressively.

In hopes of turning a new page, the company last week named PepsiCo executive Brian Cornell as its CEO. Cornell will be the first outsider to serve in the top spot at the company when he starts Aug. 12.

For its second quarter, Target said it expects sales to be flat at established locations in the U.S., as "guests continue to spend cautiously and focus on value" and that promotional discounts are expected to hurt profit margins.

Stocks sink

Renewed concerns that tensions could flare up between Russia and Ukraine pushed U.S. stocks sharply lower Tuesday.

The market had been moderately lower all day, weighed down by a disappointing earnings forecast from retail giant Target and a report on China that showed the world's second-largest economy was slowing down.

The selling accelerated in afternoon trading. The Dow Jones industrial average fell nearly 200 points at one point, but recovered some of those losses in the last 30 minutes of trading.

Several traders pointed to news reports of a buildup in Russian troops on the Ukraine border and comments from a Polish politician that reportedly said Russia was poised to invade or pressure Ukraine's eastern border as catalysts for the selling.

Oil and gold drop

In energy markets, crude oil fell 91 cents to close at $97.38 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Brent crude, a benchmark for international oils used by many U.S. refineries, fell 80 cents to close at $104.61 on the ICE Futures exchange in London.

Gold fell $3.70 to $1,284.00 an ounce and silver fell 40 cents to $19.83 an ounce. Copper fell four cents to $3.20 a pound.

The yield on the 10-year Treasury note was unchanged from the day before at 2.48 percent.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $108.33 Down 3.48

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $135.71 Down 5.49

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $25.01 Down 0.06

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $78.93 Down 2.68

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $29.01 Down 0.45

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $6.64 Down 0.31

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $30.33 Down 0.70

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $27.19 Down 2.04

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $17.20 Down 0.46

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.84	10	35.11	-.35	-.1
Abraxas	...	39	5.02	-.07	+53.9
AdamsEx	.84e	...	18.55	-.13	+3.7
AMD	...	41	4.08	+.08	+5.4
AlcatelLuc	.18e	...	3.23	-.19	-26.6
Alcoa	.12	39	16.44	-.27	+54.7
AlonUSA	.24	...	12.78	+.05	-22.7
Ambev n	.29e	...	6.67	-.21	-9.3
AmIntlGrp	.50	9	52.20	-.46	+2.3
Amgen	2.44	20	127.88	-.77	+12.1
Anadarko	1.08	...	108.10	-2.63	+36.3
Apache	1.00	32	99.38	-2.91	+15.6
Apple Inc s	1.88	15	95.12	-.47	+18.7
ApldMatl	.40	29	20.84	-.29	+17.9
ATMOS	1.48	17	47.41	-.38	+4.4
AutoData	1.92	26	80.48	-.73	-.4
BP PLC	2.34f	7	48.57	-.76	-.1
BabsCCInv	1.20	...	15.20	-.06	+1.8
BakrHu	.68f	23	67.93	-1.02	+22.9
BcoSantSA	.83e	...	9.61	-.33	+6.0
BkofAm	.04	18	15.00	-.05	-3.7
B IPVix rs	...	...	33.79	+2.24	-20.6
BasicEnSv	...	...	23.82	-.95	+51.0
BerkHa A	...	16	192499.00	-1806.00	+8.2
BlkHillsCp	1.56	22	52.05	-.86	-.9
BloominBr	...	10	15.06	-4.75	-37.3
BrillySq	1.44	30	49.38	-.82	-7.1
BrownFA	1.16	30	86.11	+.12	+19.4
BrownFB	1.16	29	88.39	+.01	+17.0
CVS Care	1.10	20	77.27	-.10	+8.0
Cameron	...	21	71.01	-.46	+19.3
Caterpillar	2.80f	17	101.50	-.31	+11.8
Celestic g	...	13	10.20	-.29	-1.9
CntryLink	2.16	...	39.29	-.17	+23.4
ChesEng	.35	22	26.06	-.77	+1.5
Chevron	4.28	12	124.86	-3.21	...
Chicos	.30	21	15.95	+.08	-15.3
Cimarex	.64	26	137.11	-4.12	+30.7
Cisco	.76	17	24.97	-.20	+12.2
Citigroup	.04	11	47.89	-.45	-8.1
ClayEng	...	35	108.33	-3.48	+32.2
Coach	1.35	11	35.80	+1.49	-36.2
CobaltIEn	...	...	14.22	-1.75	-13.6
CocaCola	1.22	21	39.18	-.22	-5.2

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
ColgPalm	1.44	27	63.77	+.01	-2.2
ConAgra	1.00	42	30.50	-.13	-9.5
ConchoRes	...	46	135.71	-5.49	+25.7
ConocoPhil	2.92f	13	79.74	-2.24	+12.9
CrackerB	4.00f	18	96.81	-.94	-12.0
CSVelIVST	...	...	36.59	-2.70	+6.4
CSVxSht rs	...	...	3.91	+.48	-47.9
CrosTim	2.71e	12	30.53	-.45	+3.8
DCP Mid	3.03f	40	53.82	-1.22	+6.9
DTE	2.76f	17	72.11	-1.43	+8.6
Dataram h	...	...	3.32	-.24	+27.7
Dawson	.32	36	25.01	-.06	-26.0
DeltaAir	.36	3	36.23	-1.05	+31.9
DevonE	.96	18	74.59	-2.22	+20.6
DrxSCBear	...	...	16.49	+.14	-2.8
Disney	.86f	22	86.75	-.49	+13.5
DollarGen	...	18	57.79	+1.88	-4.2
DowChm	1.48	18	51.10	-.58	+15.1
EMC Cp	.46	23	29.23	-.34	+16.2
EOG Res s	.50	25	108.63	-3.18	+29.4
EmpDist	1.02	15	24.21	-.35	+6.7
Energen	.60	46	79.36	-3.21	+12.2
EngyTsfr	3.82f	...	56.35	-.45	-1.6
EnPro	...	61	65.02	+.11	+12.8
EntPrPt	2.88f	25	73.54	-1.63	+10.9
Ericsson	.46e	...	12.29	-.08	+.4
ExterranH	.60	28	43.74	+1.85	+27.9
ExxonMbl	2.76	13	98.20	-1.93	-3.0
Facebook	...	78	72.69	-.82	+33.0
FordM	.50	10	16.87	-.15	+9.3
ForestOil	...	17	2.00	-.01	-44.6
FrontierCm	.40	57	6.81	+.27	+46.5
GATX	1.32	14	61.95	-.25	+18.7
GT AdvTc	...	...	15.08	+.95	+73.0
GabMultT	.88	...	9.50	-.05	-23.4
GAInv	2.10e	...	36.25	-.46	+3.0
GenElec	.88	18	25.02	-.25	-10.7
GluMobile	...	...	5.18	-.24	+33.5
GtPlainEn	.92	15	24.48	-.13	+1.0
Groupon	...	...	7.07	+.05	-39.9
HalconRes	...	...	5.15	-.36	+33.4
Hallibrtn	.60	21	67.72	-2.37	+33.4
iShBrazil	1.55e	...	48.41	-.70	+8.3
iShJapan	.17e	...	11.82	-.19	-2.6

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
iShChinaLC	.71e	...	40.47	-.60	+5.5
iShEMkts	.71e	...	43.79	-.68	+4.8
iS Eafe	2.23e	...	65.59	-.85	-2.2
iShR2K	1.48e	...	111.38	-.28	-3.5
iShREst	2.56e	...	71.36	-.64	+13.1
IntegrysE	2.72	20	64.59	-.60	+18.7
Intel	.90	16	32.82	-1.00	+26.4
InterDig	.80f	39	44.93	-.14	+52.4
JPMorgCh	1.60f	14	56.06	-.59	-3.5
JohnJn	2.80	18	99.82	-.34	+9.0
KimbClk	3.36	19	104.62	-.61	+.2
KindME	5.56f	33	80.03	-1.21	-.8
KindMM	5.52t	48	76.12	-.50	+.6
LegacyRes	2.44f	...	29.01	-.45	+3.0
Lubys	...	...	4.90	-.06	-36.5
MGM Rsts	...	...	25.88	-.57	+10.0
MktVGold	.19e	...	26.10	+.15	+23.5
McDnlds	3.24	17	93.43	-.88	-3.7
Merck	1.76	30	56.03	-1.03	+11.9
MeritMed	...	29	12.74	-.16	-19.1
MexcoEn	...	44	6.64	-.31	-3.8
MicronT	...	10	31.09	-.60	+42.9
Microsoft	1.12	16	43.08	-.29	+15.2
Mondelez	.56	18	35.96	-.49	+1.9
Nabors	.24f	51	26.66	-.72	+56.9
NatGrid	3.48e	...	71.37	...	+9.3
NOilVarco	1.84f	14	81.56	-1.31	+13.8
NokiaCp	.51e	...	7.83	-.02	-3.5
NvMAd	.80a	...	13.45	-.02	+10.6
NvPMI	.86	...	13.30	-.05	+7.5
NuvPI	.86	...	13.29	-.02	+7.8
NSTFI3	.83e	...	13.66	-.03	+8.3
NTXQI	.70a	...	14.24	+.01	+10.8
OcciPet	2.88	13	99.11	-1.84	+4.2
OfficeDpt	...	...	4.94	-.17	-6.6
Oi SA	.14e	...	.58	-.05	-63.5
ParTech	...	...	3.78	-.02	-30.8
ParkDrl	...	22	6.05	-.11	-25.6
PattUTI	.40	27	33.71	-.76	+33.1
Penney	...	...	9.08	-.16	-.8
PennaRE	.80	...	19.07	-.03	+.5
Prmian	1.11e	14	13.73	-.04	+6.8
PetrbrsA	.85e	...	17.19	+.05	+17.0
Petrobras	.40e	...	16.08	-.01	+16.7

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
Pfizer	1.04	16	28.41	-.34	-7.2
PioNtrl	.08	...	209.98	-12.43	+14.1
PlainsAAP	2.58f	24	56.89	-.85	+9.9
PwShs QQQ	1.34e	...	94.59	-.73	+7.5
Praxair	2.60	21	127.05	-1.86	-2.3
PrmEgy	...	21	65.25	...	+29.2
ProctGam	2.57	20	79.41	+.19	-2.5
RF MicD	...	39	11.22	-.25	+117.4
RangeRs	.16	49	75.57	-1.16	-10.4
RetailMNot	...	47	18.15	-7.15	-37.0
RiteAid	...	39	6.55	-.08	+29.4
Rowan	.40	15	29.89	-.74	-15.5
RoyDShllA	3.76	20	81.53	-.49	+14.4
SpdrDJIA	3.56e	...	163.92	-1.41	-.9
S&P500ETF	3.58e	...	192.01	-1.88	+4.0
SabnR	3.99e	14	56.35	-.67	+11.5
SanderFm	.80	11	92.79	+.49	+28.3
SandRdge	...	...	5.80	-.19	-4.4
Sapient	...	25	14.89	+.09	-14.2
Schlmbrg	1.60	22	107.08	-2.59	+18.8
SigmaAld	.92	24	100.54	-.73	+6.9
SiriusXM	...	56	3.37	+.03	-3.4
Smucker	2.56f	18	99.37	-1.53	-4.1
Sprint	...	...	7.28	-.09	-32.3
SP Engy	1.88e	...	85.33	-2.13	+7.7
SPDR Fncl	.35e	...	22.17	-.23	+1.4

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
SP Inds	.94e	...	51.65	-.31	-1.2
SP Util	1.47e	...	40.69	-.50	+7.2
SunocoL s	1.46f	32	44.81	-1.07	+18.7
TaiwSemi	.50e	...	19.80	-.71	+13.5
Target	2.08f	20	58.03	-2.67	-8.3
TelefEsp	1.03e	...	15.59	-.51	-4.6
Tesoro	1.20f	19	61.30	+.10	+4.8
3M Co	3.42	20	139.78	-.97	-.3
Torchmrk s	.51	14	53.12	-.18	+2.0
TriConti	.60e	...	20.53	-.25	+2.8
21stCFoxA	.25	19	31.30	-.22	-11.0
Twitter n	...	...	43.83	+.36	-31.1
TylerTech	...	66	90.89	-.48	-11.0
UBWV	1.28	18	31.65	-.03	+.6
Vale SA	.84e	...	13.89	-.26	-8.9
ValeroE	1.10f	9	49.73	-.69	-1.3
VulcanM	.24f	60	62.25	-1.02	+4.8
Walgrn	1.26	24	69.12	-2.99	+20.3
WstnRefin	1.04	18	41.16	...	-2.9
WhitingPet	...	18	86.00	-2.03	+39.0
WholeFood	.48	25	38.47	+.52	-33.5
WmsCos	1.70f	71	55.01	-1.16	+42.6
XcelEngy	1.20	16	30.23	-.30	+8.2
Xerox	.25	14	13.08	-.05	+7.5
Yahoo	...	31	35.70	-.83	-11.7
Zynga	...	...	2.85	+.01	-25.0

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
17,151.56	14,719.43	Dow Jones Industrials	16,429.47	-139.81	-.84	-.89	+5.87
8,515.04	6,237.14	Dow Jones Transportation	8,059.53	-89.55	-1.10	+8.90	+23.68
576.98	467.93	Dow Jones Utilities	532.01	-6.65	-1.23	+8.45	+5.94
11,334.65	9,246.89	NYSE Composite	10,657.32	-109.38	-1.02	+2.47	+10.85
4,485.93	3,573.57	Nasdaq Composite	4,352.84	-31.05	-.71	+4.22	+18.74
1,991.39	1,627.47	S&P 500	1,920.21	-18.78	-.97	+3.89	+13.13
1,452.01	1,170.62	S&P Midcap	1,368.55	-6.40	-.47	+1.94	+10.38
21,108.12	17,305.21	Wilshire 5000	20,320.47	-180.73	-.88	+3.12	+12.74
1,213.55	1,009.00	Russell 2000	1,121.56	-3.28	-.29	-3.62	+6.80

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Legal & Public Notices

The Stanton Housing Authority is soliciting bids for the purchase of a 2013 GMC Yukon. Bids must be received in writing no later than Wednesday, August 13, 2014. Bidders must send proof of insurance and availability of funds. For further inquiry, please call the office at (432) 756-2812.

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08
DATE OF ISSUANCE: July 29, 2014
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug. 19, 2014
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 38 Case No.08-0290834
Status/Permit No. 786519

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 49, Bk. , KING, J M Survey, A-752, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 8.5 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

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Aug 19, 2014

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The location and identity of the well is as shown below.

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name	KING D
Lease/Unit Well No	4901H
Lease/Unit Acres	894.8
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	100.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	92.0
Lease Lines	254.0 F South L, 765.0 F West L
Survey Lines	254.0 F South L, 765.0 F West L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L, 467.0 F WEST L
Terminus Location
Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L, 467.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L, 467.0 F WEST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, SHARON COOK, at (972) 969-5194.

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08
DATE OF ISSUANCE: July 29, 2014
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Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 38 Case No.08-0290836
Status/Permit No. 786526

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 49, Bk. , KING, J M Survey, A-793, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 8.5 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

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The location and identity of the well is as shown below.

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name	KING D
Lease/Unit Well No	4903H
Lease/Unit Acres	894.8
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	100.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	45.0
Lease Lines	254.0 F South L, 855.0 F West L
Survey Lines	254.0 F South L, 855.0 F West L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L, 1030.0 F WEST L
Terminus Location
Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L, 1030.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L, 1030.0 F WEST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, SHARON COOK, at (972) 969-5194.

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 38 Case No.08-0290823
DATE OF ISSUANCE: July 29, 2014 Status/Permit No. 643737
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug. 19, 2014
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
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PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512) 463-6848.

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The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : FOWLER 'A'
Lease/Unit Well No. : 4
Lease/Unit Acres : 320.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 810.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 1179.0

Lease Lines : 810.0 F North L, 810.0 F West L

Survey Lines : 810.0 F North L, 810.0 F West L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, SHARON COOK, at (972) 969-5194.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 38 Case No.08-0289651
DATE OF ISSUANCE: July 29, 2014 Status/Permit No 785265
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Sep. 2, 2014
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

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PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512) 463-6848.

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : TURNER H
Lease/Unit Well No. : 3903H
Lease/Unit Acres : 573.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 100.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 99.0

Lease Lines : 373.0 F NORTH L, 575.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines : 373.0 F NORTH L, 575.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral : TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines : 100.0 F NORTH L
740.0 F EAST L

Terminus Location
BH County: MIDLAND
Section: 46 Block: Abstract: 1038
Survey: LEECH, L
Lease Lines : 100.0 F SOUTH L
775.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 1425.0 F SOUTH L
775.0 F EAST L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 1 additional field: (1) SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC. No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for this field.

IF COMPLETED IN THE SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC FIELD THE LEASE NAME WILL BE TURNER H, WELL NO. 3903H, ACRES 245.3, LOCATION:

Lease Lines : 373.0 F NORTH L, 575.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines : 373.0 F NORTH L, 575.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral : TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines : 100.0 F NORTH L
740.0 F EAST L

Terminus Location
BH County: MIDLAND
Section: 46 Block: Abstract: 1038
Survey: LEECH, L
Lease Lines : 100.0 F SOUTH L
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Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

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SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : R 40 EXC: Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10600 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, MANDY HEDGPETH, at (972) 969-3873.

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 38 Case No.08-0290835
DATE OF ISSUANCE: July 29, 2014 Status/Permit No. 786520
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug. 19, 2014
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ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
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FIELD SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : KING D
Lease/Unit Well No : 4902H
Lease/Unit Acres : 894.8
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 100.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) : 45.0

Lease Lines : 254.0 F South L, 810.0 F West L

Survey Lines : 254.0 F South L, 810.0 F West L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L
750.0 F WEST L
Terminus Location
Lease Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
750.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines: 100.0 F NORTH L
750.0 F WEST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10000 feet

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 Rule 38 Case No.08-0290826
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FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name : LLOYD
Lease/Unit Well No. : 6
Lease/unit Acres : 480.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft) : 633.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft): 1868.0
Lease Lines : 1980.0 F SOUTH L, 633.0 F WEST L

Survey Lines : 1980.0 F SOUTH L, 1980.0 F EAST L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 2 additional fields: (1) PAUL PAGE (ATOKA), (2) BERRYHILL (STRAWN). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for these fields.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

PAUL PAGE (ATOKA) : Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

BERRYHILL (STRAWN) : OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11200 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, MANDY HEDGPETH, at (972) 969-3873.

Motorcycles

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RVs

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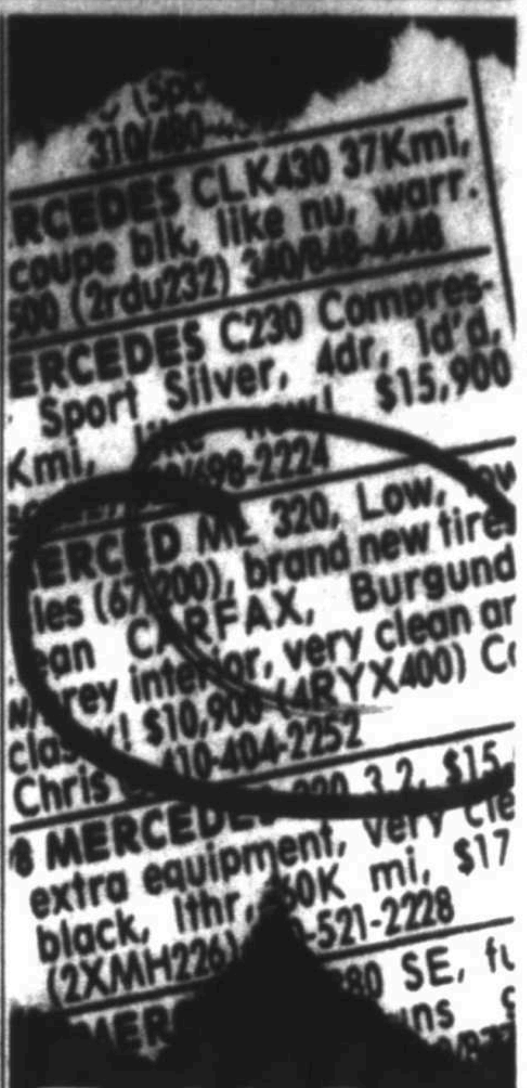

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Pay $10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required; we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and Social Security card with dependable transportation.

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TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

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Dba: Lobo Trucking

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Must be able to pass a drug screen and background check. Need people able to start a new job within a month. Qualified candidates will be contacted for interviews.

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Must have:
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