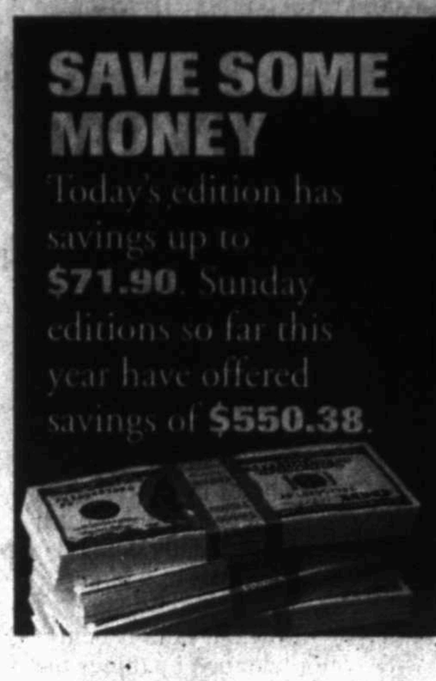

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Region's water sources are still stressed

Last year's rainfall not enough to ensure supply of surface lakes, reservoirs

By Rachael Gleason
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In West Texas, where tumbleweeds roll, pumpjacks pump and a layer of dust covers most things, every inch of rain counts.

Last year's 8.51 inches were a blessing compared to the 5.49 in 2011, when a historic drought gripped much of Texas and strained local water supplies.

But it's a short-lived relief. Total rainfall for 2013 was still 6 inches below what was expected and 4 inches down from 2012, according to the National Weather Service.

The new year has yet to see any rain at all.

A NWS seasonal outlook predicts above-normal temperatures and below-normal precipitation levels in West Texas for the next three months.

A U.S. Drought Monitor state map shows abnormally dry and moderate drought conditions in most of Midland County, with severe drought conditions in the northwest corner.

The region is typically short on rainfall, said NWS meteorologist James DeBerry, but a current phase of climatology makes it hard to forecast exactly what's in store this year.

"We're in a holding pattern without long-term flags or indicators to alert us either way," DeBerry said. "It's kind of like a climate purgatory."

The region could use a strong El Niño, which generally brings wetter winters to the southwest, he said.

But even if Midland continues with weather and precipitation patterns similar to 2013, it's better than 2011's "exceptional drought" conditions.

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Man from Roma dies after rollover on interstate

From staff reports

A man from Roma died late Friday after a one-vehicle rollover crash that occurred on Interstate 20 near the Midland County line, according to the Odessa Police Department.

A Midland County justice of the peace pronounced 38-year-old Gabriel Garcia dead at the scene after he was ejected from his vehicle. He was not wearing his seat belt, said Cpl. Steve LeSueur, OPD communications officer.

The crash occurred at about 10:15 p.m. in the 10000 block of East I-20. Garcia was traveling eastbound when he failed to control his speed, causing his vehicle to skid sideways and roll over. The vehicle continued rolling across the westbound lanes of traffic before coming to rest in the middle of the north service road of I-20, LeSueur said.

Garcia's death marks the third fatal accident of 2014 on Midland County roads.

The most recent fatality occurred Jan. 11 when a Midland woman's vehicle collided with a pickup on Farm-to-Market Road 1788.

The woman was traveling northbound on FM 1788 when she failed to yield the right of way while making a left turn on the FM 1788/Business 20 access road near Younger Road. Her vehicle collided with a southbound pickup on FM 1788. She was transported to Midland Memorial Hospital, where she later died, according to Reporter-Telegram records.

The first death of the year

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Sweet move

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Isidra Ochoa, head candy cook, and Susy Coleman pour out a fresh batch of Winners on Wednesday in the new Susie's South Forty candy factory.

Susie's South Forty ready to debut its new downtown home

By Cale Ottens
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Even though Susie's South Forty Confections has been serving its famous toffee, fudge and other treats to Midlanders for more than 22 years, the candy factory only recently secured a permanent location.

Susie Hitchcock-Hall, the candy factory's owner, and her crew are relocating from their previous location on Fairgrounds Road near the southwest corner of Midland to a brand new building downtown.

The new factory, located at 401 S. Marienfeld St. in the heart of downtown, is 15,000 square feet and boasts ceilings tall enough to hold the famous windmill, which has blades reaching about 12 feet in diameter, that used to sit on top of the old factory.

Hitchcock-Hall's factory had been located on Fairgrounds Road for about 12 years before she learned she was losing her lease. The landlord needed to rent the roughly 20,000-square-foot space that sits on eight acres to a trucking company that's involved in the oil industry, she said.

That's what the original intention of the building was, Hitchcock-Hall said.

"It was a great building," she said. "It was already made for the oil business."

Hitchcock-Hall said she doesn't have any hard feelings about the move. She said she understands that the oil boom is essential to every business in Midland — even her candy factory.

"We're all in the oil business, even though I'm the local sugar business," she said.

The candy factory has been out of the

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Morales talks goals for first term as mayor

■ Communication with city staff, community a top priority

On Thursday, three days after his first City Council meeting as mayor of Midland, Jerry Morales was at his Gerardo's Casita restaurant during the lunch rush.

"I like to check back in and see what's going on," Morales said.

He was speaking with everyone — staff, customers — in the restaurant. During his interview with the Reporter-Telegram, he continued to talk by saying good-bye to customers who were headed back to work and greeted workers who were starting their shift.

Morales

It is that constant level of communication that Morales said is his top priority during his first three years as mayor of Midland. From other council members to residents getting by day-by-day, Morales said that hearing everyone's thoughts and collaborating will be a focus during his first term.

Morales sat down with the Reporter-Telegram to discuss at-length his other goals and ideas for his first term.

MRT: Considering that this is just the first week of your term and things might change as the year goes on, what is your No. 1 priority?

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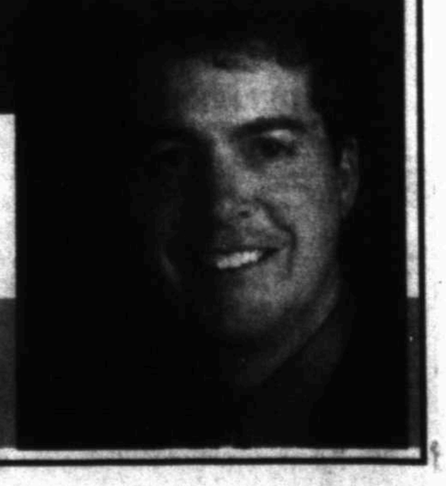

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UConn prof delves into spirituality in daily life

Associated Press

NEW HAVEN, Conn. — University of Connecticut Professor Bradley Wright has all types of questions for his research: Did you pray in the last 24 hours? To what extent are you feeling nurtured or angry with God? Do you feel a sense of purpose right now?

And he'd like the answers in real time, launching a website that sends texts to smartphones that it's time for participants to take the twice-daily survey. It's part of an ambitious look by Wright and other researchers into the role of spirituality in the daily lives of Americans and its links to well-being.

Wright hopes the effort will shed light on a wide range of issues: Do people feel closer to God or more distant after they're on Facebook? How did attending church service affect them? Does spirituality help with social isolation? Does amount of sleep affect spiritual awareness?

"In general I think that, over the coming years this will produce a number of findings that I think will help redefine how we understand day-to-day spirituality," Wright said.

Wright, an associate professor of sociology who wrote the 2010 book "Christians Are Hate-Filled Hypocrites... and Other Lies You've Been Told," is overseeing SoulPulse.org to gather data for researchers to study. Participants fill out brief questionnaires for two weeks, answering a range of questions on health to volunteer work at church or a charity.

Associated Press

Bradley Wright, associate professor of sociology, poses in his office Dec. 20, 2013, at the University of Connecticut in Storrs, Conn. Wright oversees a new project using the internet and smart phones to measure people's spirituality as it unfolds over time in natural settings.

"It just opens a whole new category of data about spirituality, personal growth, personal characteristics that people value," Wright said. "We're giving people a chance to take a two-week snapshot of their life. This is just an interesting way for people to learn about themselves."

Kyndria Brown, a 50-year-old bookkeeper from Madison, Conn., who participated in the study, said she learned that she thought more about God when she was alone and feeling sad. "But when I was with other people I tended to not think in a spiritual way," she said.

Brown, who is Episcopalian, said participating in the project prompted deeper questions about her spirituality, admitting that is scary but ultimately rewarding.

"It makes you question the very premise of why you've chosen to be spiritual," she said. "It's forcing me to face myself, and I appreciate that kind of a challenge. This program was pivotal in making me explore that concept."

Many studies have been conducted of Americans' religious and spiritual beliefs and their effects on health and other matters, but Wright said they mainly rely on one-time surveys, lab experiments and personal observations. He said SoulPulse is the first to use to use cell-phones to measure spirituality as it unfolds over time in natural settings.

People are often categorized as believing in God or not, or being spiritual or not, "but it could be that people's spiritual attitudes and beliefs vary from day to day," Wright said.

Wright himself was raised Catholic, then became involved in a charismatic church and now calls himself a Catholic-liturgical-charismatic evangelical.

The effort is in line with a Christian tradition of being intently reflective throughout the day about spirituality, said Joseph Curran, an associate professor of religion at Misericordia University. He noted that the Jesuits have a daily examination of conscience.

"It's kind of like an electronic version of that," Curran said. "I think it's terrific. I'm fascinated to see what the results are."

The approach reflects a creative way people are using technology to improve themselves in a spiritual way, said Clint Jenkin, vice president of research for the Barna Group, which specializes in understanding faith and culture. Faith was traditionally defined by being part of a larger group, he said.

"Now our faith is being more defined by things that we do on our own," Jenkin said. "I think this kind of shows that side of spirituality or that individualistic way of living out our faith."

While Wright is the principle investigator, a dozen other researchers and experts are involved in the initiative ranging from Stanford Medical School to pastors and a psychologist. The study is privately funded and relies on volunteers, Wright said.

Participants are recruited through social media, news sites and word of mouth. They don't need to be religious and for sampling purposes, atheists and agnostics are actively recruited, Wright said.

Researchers will have access to the data but names are removed and responses are confidential. Organizers plan to periodically publish reports summarizing their findings.

The results so far from about 250 people are showing people feel much more spiritual when they're walking, out in nature and at a religious service and the least spiritual when they're watching television or on the computer, he said.

Federal government denies state bids to tighten voter registration

Associated Press

WICHITA, Kan. — The U.S. Election Assistance Commission found Friday that heightened proof-of-citizenship requirements likely would hinder eligible citizens from voting in federal elections, handing down a ruling that denied requests from Kansas, Arizona and Georgia to modify the registration form for their residents.

The decision came just hours before a court-imposed deadline in a lawsuit filed in federal court by Kansas and Arizona that seeks to force the commission to modify state-specific requirements for registering to vote in those states. Georgia, which has a similar voter registration law, is not part of the litigation but was included in the commission's decision.

Those states have enacted laws requiring new voters to provide a birth certificate, passport or other proof of U.S. citizenship when registering to vote. People who register using the federal form only need to sign a statement, under penalty of perjury, that he or she is a U.S. citizen.

Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach has championed his state's proof-of-citizenship law to keep non-citizens from voting, particularly those in the U.S. illegally. But critics said voter fraud is extremely rare and contend such laws suppress the vote and threaten to keep thousands of citizens from casting ballots.

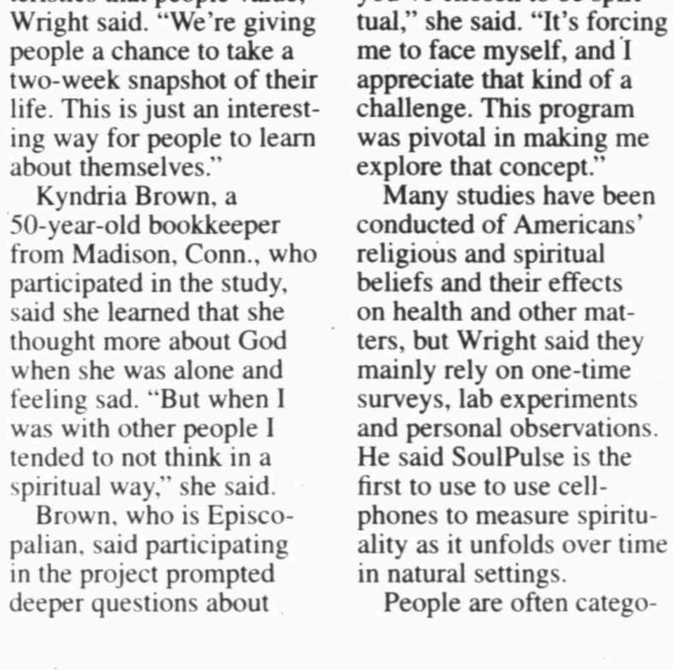
Kobach said in an email that he had anticipated the adverse ruling from the commission and the states will now press their constitutional claims before the U.S. District Court in Kansas. He argues the decision is unconstitutional because it prevents Kansas and Arizona from securing their voter rolls.

"The EAC's reasoning reflects the partisan view of the Obama Justice Department that requiring voters to provide documentary proof of citizenship at the time of registration is undesirable as a policy matter," Kobach said. "However, the EAC has no authority to second-guess the policy decisions of the sovereign states of Kansas and Arizona."

In its decision, the EAC found that added documentation burdens do not enhance voter participation and result in an overall decrease in registration of eligible citizens — undermining the core purpose of the National Voter Registration Act.

It cited as evidence the problems Kansas already has experienced with its own enhanced voter registration requirements. The voter registrations of 20,127 Kansans remained on hold Friday because they've not yet provided proof of their citizenship to election officials.

States already have other means available to enforce citizenship requirements without requiring additional information from applicants, including access to national databases of birth certificates and naturalization information, the agency noted.



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Kansas Secretary of State Kris Kobach, seen here Aug. 1, initiated a lawsuit by Kansas and Arizona against a federal agency to force the modification of a national voter registration form to help the states enforce their proof-of-citizenship laws.

Registration opening for North Dakota oil expo

Associated Press

BISMARCK, N.D. — Registration begins this month for Williston Basin Petroleum Conference that will be held later this year in Bismarck.

The Williston Basin Petroleum Conference is scheduled for May 20-22 at the Bismarck Civic Center. Registration begins on Jan. 29.

Officials are expecting more than 3,500 people at this year's conference.

The event has alternated in recent years at locations in North Dakota and Canada. Last year, it was held in Saskatchewan.

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"That's the worst category to have," DeBerry said.

Water supply

The state's 115 major water supply reservoirs were only at 64 percent capacity as of December, according to the Texas Water Development Board.

Thirteen reservoirs were at or below 10 percent full, including the Colorado River Municipal Water District's Lake J.B. Thomas, at 1.71 percent full, and E.V. Spence Reservoir, at 3.70 percent. Some were effectively empty, according to the board's water conditions report.

O.H. Ivie, which was 14 percent full in December, came close to drying up over the past year. John Grant, general manager of the water district, said last April that Ivie could be pumped out by February 2014. He more recently told the Reporter-Telegram that the reservoir will last until the summer.

Midland still gets most of its water from the CRMWD — between 6 million to 13 million gallons per day so far this month, according to a water delivery update.

On Jan. 12, 16,864,000 million gallons were delivered to Midlanders, with 67 percent coming from the CRMWD.

The city started accepting T-Bar Ranch water Dec. 12. Combined with totals from the Paul Davis well fields, the groundwater sources add another 2 million to 6 million gallons per day to the city supply, according to the update.

With the greatest loss of surface water due to evaporation, the city will still likely rely on the CRWMD until the summer, when groundwater sources such as T-Bar will meet a growing demand, said Sara Higgins, the city's public information officer.

Water use

In the summer of 2012, well owners started fighting back against water-conscious neighbors with yard signs that read, "It is OK if you see me watering. I have a water well."

The city issued more than 900 well permits that year, according to Steve Thorpe, Midland's code enforcement official.

At the time, backlogged well drillers said Midlanders wanted green grass, healthy trees and full swimming pools, and they were willing to wait months for the ease of access amid City Council talks about tighter water restrictions, according to a previous Reporter-Telegram article.

The demand for wells slowed down last year; the city only issued 279 permits, Thorpe said.

Only a few residents have applied for permits so far this year, he said. The rest will see a jump in water rates this month to close a $6 million Water and Sewer Fund deficit.

The City Council approved the higher rates last December by a 6-0 vote, with former District 3 Councilman John James abstaining. Officials expect replenishment of the fund to take at least three years.

"We want to conserve our resources, but we need to make the fund stand on its own two feet," former Mayor Wes Perry said previously.

Water conservation

The Permian Basin Master Gardeners aren't daunted by Midland's difficult growing conditions.

Residents just have to put the right plant in the right place to keep an attractive garden, said Jim Blischke, the organization's vice president.

Blischke pointed out that the average rainfall in the West Texas region — about 14 inches — stays the same the same despite population growth.

Midland County's numbers grew from about 1,741 in 1900 to 25,785 in 1950 and 116,009 in 2000, according to U.S. Census data used in the water board's 2012 State Water Plan for the West Texas region.

"We want Midland to keep growing. We like the impact of all the jobs and people who are here — that's bringing a new kind of life to the city," Blischke said. "With that growth requires knowing the water supply is not growing. People can't just keep using the same amount of water."

By the numbers

Lake levels report

- Lake J.B. Thomas is 1.71 percent full
- E.V. Spence Reservoir is 3.70 percent full
- O.H. Ivie Reservoir is 13.75 percent full

Source: Colorado River Municipal Water District totals from mid-December

Water, sewer rates

According to the city, changes in monthly water rates include:

- an increase in base charges, which include the first 2,000 gallons, of $2.79 for residential and commercial use and $2.30 for apartment use.
- an increase in consumption charges of $1.45-$2.55, depending on use above 2,000 gallons.
- a change in the top tier of use — subject to the five-time multiplier rate for heavy water users — from 40,000 gallons at $31.00 to 50,000 gallons at $43.75.

Changes in monthly sewer rates include:

- a 20-cent decrease in the base charge, which includes the first 2,000 gallons, to $17.65.
- the establishment of a 71-cent consumption charge for every additional 1,000 gallons of use.

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MINNEAPOLIS

Vikings' Metrodome deflates for last time

The Minnesota Vikings' Metrodome has deflated for the last time.

Officials from the Minnesota Sports Facilities Authority opened the stadium's relief vents to begin the deflation at 7:15 a.m. Saturday in downtown Minneapolis. Fans providing the air that supports the roof were turned off. The 10 acres of Teflon-coated fabric were done deflating in 35 minutes.

Bill McCarthy, vice chairman of the authority, called it "a sad and exciting day at the same time." The deflation and the demolition of the Dome beginning next week will make way for construction of a new $1 billion Vikings stadium.

The muffin-shaped dome opened in 1982 and was once a focal point of Minnesota professional sports. In addition to being the home field for the Vikings and the Twins — who won two World Series there — the Timberwolves played their first NBA season in the Metrodome in 1989. The Twins left in 2009 for Target Field, leaving only the Vikings as the Metrodome's major tenant.

The authority gave the go-ahead despite concerns about weather conditions. According to the National Weather Service, between 4 and 5 inches of snow fell in the area overnight. Winds were a steady 5 to 10 mph Saturday morning.

The roof silently deflated under gray, snowy skies, sagging first in the middle. When the process was done, the stadium looked like a concave dish, rimmed with snow.

NORTH CAROLINA

Feds seek option for dredge sand along beaches

RALEIGH — Beach communities and environmentalists are pushing back against a proposal to give the National Park Service the option of using dredging material to fight erosion on North Carolina's pristine Shackleford Banks, where wild horses roam and no humans live.

The proposal, part what's called a 20-year Dredge Material Management Plan, has created an odd coalition of towns that want the material from Beaufort Inlet to go to their beaches, not the Shackleford Banks, and environmentalists, including the well-known Orrin Pilkey, who want to protect Shackleford Banks from more human interference.

The park service manages Shackleford Banks, the southern-most barrier island in Cape Lookout National Seashore, as a wilderness area, although it doesn't have the designation from Congress.

The erosion at Shackleford Banks is both a part of the natural expansion and contraction of inlets and a natural reaction to sea level rise, said Pilkey, a geology professor emeritus at Duke University. And in the past, the park service has stuck to its guns about letting nature take its course, he said.

"I oppose it because I'm so strongly in favor of the park service's 'let nature rip' policy," he said. "And what I fear, and what others like myself fear, is that the park service is starting to waffle a little bit on this. I understand why. They're always under pressure to do something (about erosion)."

It's natural for inlets to expand and contract over time, he said, and Beaufort Inlet is expanding right now. "Shackleford Banks is doing what nature intended it to do," he said.

GEORGIA

Army IDs soldier killed in helicopter accident

SAVANNAH — The Army has identified a soldier killed in a helicopter accident at a Georgia airfield as a 31-year-old special operations helicopter platoon leader.

The Army Special Operations Command said that Capt. Clayton O. Carpenter, of Brooklyn, N.Y., died late Wednesday at the end of a training flight at Hunter Army Airfield in Savannah. He was aboard an MH-60 Black Hawk helicopter that slammed into the ground while landing. The Army is investigating what went wrong.

Two crew members were injured. Army Maj. Allen Hill, a spokesman for the unit, said Saturday both are expected to make full recoveries.

All were members of the 160th Special Operations Aviation Regiment, which flies helicopters behind enemy lines under cover of darkness. Based at Fort Campbell, Ky., the unit has a battalion in Savannah.

LOS ANGELES

Bachelor' star apologizes for anti-gay comments

The star of ABC's "The Bachelor" made anti-gay comments that drew a swift rebuke from the network and an apology from the bachelor himself on Saturday.

Juan Pablo Galavis told website The TV Page that he didn't think a gay or bisexual bachelor would set a good example for kids. Galavis also told the site Friday that gays were more "pervert, in a sense," adding that he could be mistaken.

On Saturday, Galavis posted an apology on his Facebook page, saying he respects gay people, has gay friends, including one "who's like a brother," and regrets using the word "pervert." Galavis blamed that latter word choice on the fact that English is his second language, after Spanish.

"What I meant to say was that gay people are more affectionate and intense and for a segment of the TV audience this would be too racy to accept. The show is very racy as it is, and I don't let my 5 year old daughter watch it," the single dad from Miami wrote online.

In apologizing to those he may have offended, Galavis said his remarks were taken out of context and the full interview posted online by The TV Page demonstrates his respect for gay people and their families.

In a statement, ABC called his comments "careless, thoughtless and insensitive" and not representative of those of the network, the show's producers or the studio. "The Bachelor" returned Jan. 6 for its 18th edition.

Galavis was unavailable for comment Saturday, ABC said.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

Today

■ Permian Basin Gun Show at Ector County Coliseum, Odessa. ectorcountycoliseum.org.

Monday

■ "American Idiot" at Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center. www.wagnernoel.com.

Wednesday

■ Tony Bennett at Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center. www.wagnernoel.com.

Thursday

■ Brown Bag Lunch and Lecture Series with artist Danny Jordan, 11:30 a.m., Permian Basin Petroleum Museum. petroleummuseum.org.

■ Travis Tritt at Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center. www.wagnernoel.com.

Friday

■ Oak Ridge Boys at Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center. www.wagnernoel.com.

Friday through Jan. 26

■ Crashmasters presents Weekend of Destruction Monster Trucks at Midland Horseshoe Arena. midlandhorseshoe.com.

Saturday

■ Saturday Movies: "Wall-E," 2 p.m., Midland County Public Library downtown location. www.co.midland.tx.us.

■ Tool Box Bash benefiting Habitat for Humanity, 6:30-9:30 p.m., CAF Hangar. 687-8877.

Meetings this week

Airport Planning and Development Board
10:30 a.m. Tuesday
Third floor media room, Midland International Airport
9506 LaForce Blvd.

Permian Basin Community Center for Mental Health and Mental Retardation
3:30 p.m. Tuesday
Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission
2910 LaForce Blvd.

Midland College
4 p.m. Tuesday
Gibson boardroom
Administration Building, Midland College campus

Bull rider

Champion bull rider Tuff Hedeman will be making an appearance 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Western Heritage Museum at Lea County Hall of Fame at New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs, N.M. The event is open to the public.

For more information, call 575-492-2678.

Reading event

The George W. Bush Childhood Home monthly reading event is planned for 4:30-5:30 p.m. Feb. 20. This month's featured book is "I Like Music."

Each child will receive a copy of the book. Refreshments will be served. To make a reservation, call 685-1112.

Monster trucks

Crash Masters Towing of Odessa is coming to Midland with its latest "Keep Your Motor Running" fundraiser to benefit the West Texas Food Bank.

Jerry and Amy Perry, owners of Crash Masters, and their monster trucks, will be on hand at both Wal-Mart locations today to accept food donations. Their goal is to raise 2,500 pounds of food — the same weight as a motor in one of their monster trucks.

The monster trucks can also be seen at Crash Masters' monster truck show Friday through Jan. 26 at the Midland Horseshoe Arena. They will be accepting food donations each day during the show.

Club meetings, support groups today

■ Overeaters Anonymous, 4:30 p.m., B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D, 553-1031.

■ Midland Odessa Chapter of the United Ostomy Association , 2:30 p.m., Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus.

■ Midland Walkabout Volkssport Club, 5 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 687-2588.

Happy birthday

Libby Sharp, of Midland, turns 56 today.

Shain Shuler, of Midland, turns 37 today.

Sharon Cornal, of Midland, turns 47 today.

Happy anniversary

David and Georgia Dakil celebrate their first anniversary today.

If you would like to submit a birthday or anniversary for publication, please send the information to news@mrt.com.

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Today in history

In 1937, millionaire Howard Hughes set a transcontinental air record by flying his monoplane from Los Angeles to Newark, N.J., in 7 hours, 28 minutes and 25 seconds.

Russia's ban on adoptions by Americans holds firm

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A year after Russia imposed a ban on adoptions by Americans, some affected U.S. families are reluctantly looking elsewhere to adopt. Others refuse to abandon flickering hopes of uniting with the Russian children who won their hearts.

Thirty-three of the families have filed appeals with the European Court of Human Rights, contending that the ban violates the rights of the orphans whose adoptions were thwarted. But there's no tight time frame for the case, and even a favorable ruling might be unenforceable if Russia objects.

Meanwhile, Russian authorities have spurned requests from U.S. officials to reconsider the ban, and the two governments have other volatile issues on their mutual agenda — including terrorism and various foreign policy differences — as the international community prepares for the Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia, next month.

"I don't see movement on the Russian side, and on the U.S. side we've heard nothing," said Diana Gerson, a New York City rabbi who had her heart set on adopting a Russian toddler. "I feel in many ways we were abandoned."

By the Russians' count, the ban halted the pending adoptions of 259 children. Roughly 230 U.S. families, some seeking to adopt more than one child, were affected — including scores of Americans who had bonded face-to-face with the children during visits to their orphanages.

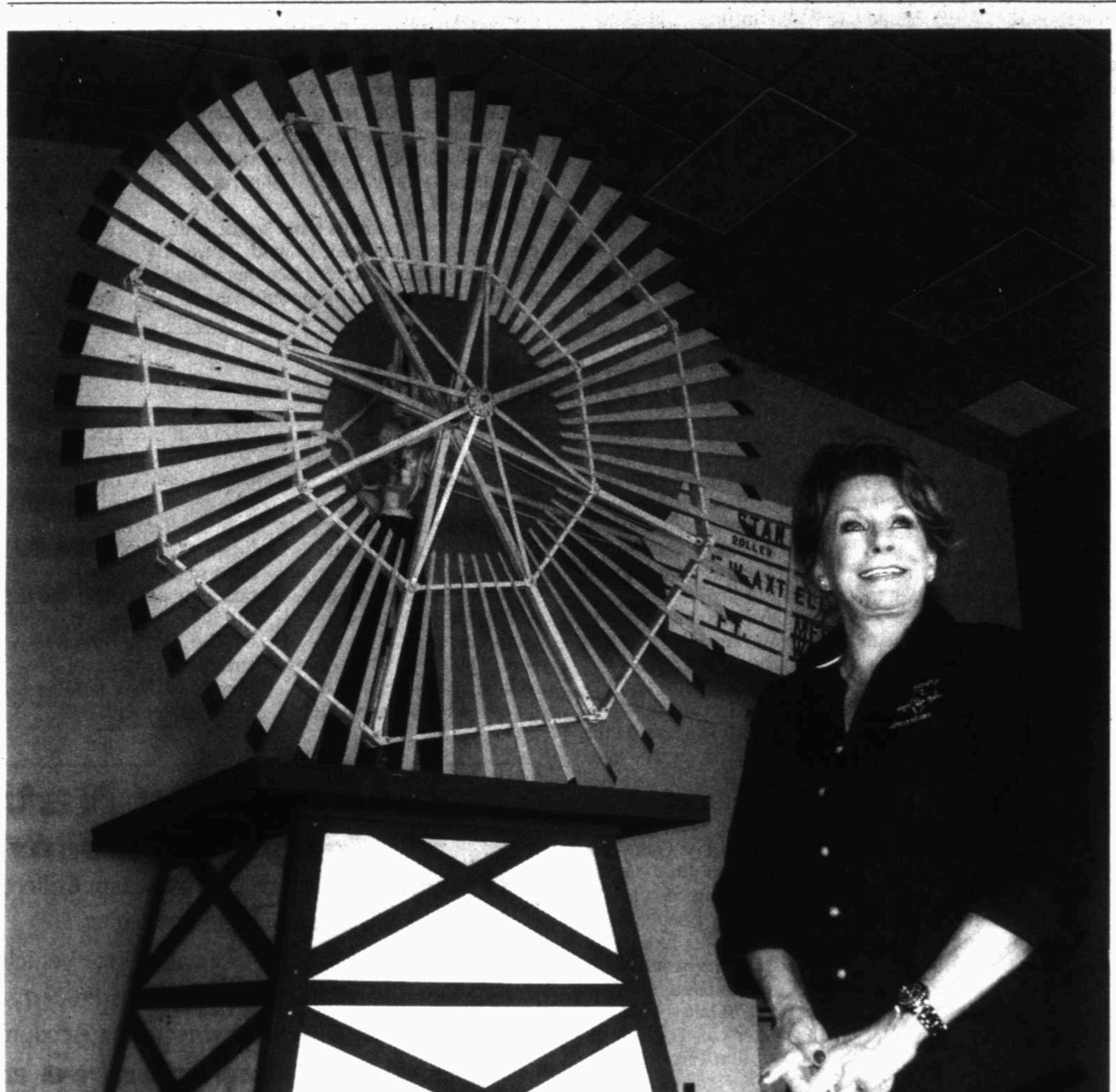
The Americans have been dropped from Russia's official roster of prospective adoptive parents, and many of the orphans — possibly more than half — already have been placed with Russian families.

At Christmas, several dozen of the Americans signed an open letter to the children they had hoped to adopt. The letter, published by some Russian media outlets, expressed gratitude to the Russian families who had taken in some of the children, while also hinting at a whirl of other emotions.

"It has now been one year since we've held you in our arms and promised you we would be back and together as a family," the letter said. "We only want you to know that we love you today, tomorrow, and forever even though we are miles across the ocean."

Throughout the 12 months, the issue has occasionally resurfaced, then faded from the news spotlight.

There was a flurry of activity in May, when more than 150 members of Congress signed a letter to President Barack Obama, asking him to raise the issue with Russian President Vladimir Putin. A congressional delegation visiting Moscow urged Russian officials to allow completion of the pending adoptions. And many of the affected families visited Washington, seeking support for their cause.



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Susie Hitchcock-Hall shows off the giant windmill in the front lobby of the new Susie's South Forty candy factory and storefront on South Marienfeld Street in downtown Midland.

MOVE

From 1A

Fairgrounds Road location since June and has since been operating out of five different locations around the Midland area, Hitchcock-Hall said.

The famous "Texas Trash," a mix of cereals, pretzels and pecans covered in a white chocolate-flavored coating, has been produced in a space inside Kingsway mall; the shipping was done primarily out of a house in Midland, where about 8,000 packages were sent out in December alone, Hitchcock-Hall stored some of the equipment at her home.

"We have 12 40-foot containers at my house," she said, laughing.

Susie's South Forty Confections also partnered with another business in Odessa to use some of their storage space, she said.

"We had 25 tons of toffee we had to store in the freezer," Hitchcock-Hall said.

But the days of uncertainty are now a thing of the past. Hitchcock-Hall owns the new downtown location and will no longer have to worry about losing her lease.

"This way they can't get me out, I hope," she said.

This is welcome news to Isidra Ochoa, who has been the head cook for more than 22 years. Working in so many locations across the Midland area really took a toll on her, she said.

"It was hectic," Ochoa said. "It was so hard trying to produce candy and transport it from one location to another."

Ochoa, Hitchcock-Hall and the rest of the South Forty team are not the only ones excited to see the factory move downtown. The city of Midland is also thrilled.

"From the city standpoint, we're excited to have her as part of the downtown development," said Steve Thorpe, a city building official. "We were pleased to grant her the permission to set up the business."

Because downtown Midland currently is primarily commercial office space, Thorpe said he and other city staffers are excited to see a new tourist destination make its way to the heart of downtown.

"It gives us a destination that's not either an office or a restaurant," Thorpe said. "It's something different."

Hitchcock-Hall has been interested for a while in having her factory downtown and thinks the move will benefit many of the other downtown businesses.

"Nothing drives traffic like candy," she said.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Susy Coleman pours in brown sugar as she makes caramel for a batch of Winners on Wednesday in the new Susie's South Forty candy factory.

The new factory is filled with brightly colored yellow, green and baby blue walls and a roughly 100-foot window that allows visitors to watch the candy being made.

The new building features s a 2,000-square-foot gift shop where visitors can buy some of the homemade sweets.

But what stands out the most is the giant windmill, which is the first thing visitors will see after walking through the front door.

"You get the 'wow' factor when you walk through the front door," Hitchcock-Hall said. "If you're in Texas, you gotta think big."

The ribbon-cutting ceremony will be 4:30 p.m. Jan. 29 and will feature a brand new creation that Hitchcock-Hall is introducing in honor of the new move: cherry pistachio bark. Customers can sample the new candy, and many of the other famous treats, at the grand opening.

The factory will open for business the next day. Normal operating hours will be 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

"We can't wait," Hitchcock-Hall said. "This is where I'll stay."

2 Marines killed in Afghanistan awarded Navy Cross

Associated Press

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. — Two Marines killed in an insider attack in Afghanistan were posthumously awarded the Navy Cross, the military's second highest honor.

Capt. Matthew Manoukian and Staff Sgt. Sky Mote were honored Saturday afternoon in a ceremony at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

The men were killed in 2012 after an Afghan police officer armed with an AK-47 assault rifle burst into their military outpost in Helmand province and opened fire, killing a Marine.

Manoukian and Mote confronted the intruder and shot back, allowing other Marines to escape, the Marine Corps said.

Manoukian, a 29-year-old team commander, was working in the operations center when he heard shots tearing through the walls. He grabbed his pistol and fired at the policeman while directing others to safety.

Mote, a 27-year-old explosive ordnance disposal technician, was working nearby and ran to the operations center.

"In his final act of bravery, he boldly remained in the open and engaged the shooter, no less than five meters in front of him," the Marine Corps said in a statement.

The men were from Northern California and were part of the 1st Marines Special Operations Battalion. They were the 15th and 16th Marines to receive the Navy Cross. The Navy Cross is the Navy's highest honor, and it is the military's second highest honor.

In an interview with U-T San Diego before he died, Manoukian, who was on his fourth deployment, raved about his job.

"To be honest with you, I love my job. This is what I enjoy doing, and I can't get enough of it ... working with a complex problem set with some of the most dedicated, well-trained, heavy-hitting individuals around. Everyone out here is just amazing," he told the newspaper.

Statistics compiled by The Associated Press showed that while violence in Afghanistan fell in 2012, insider killings by uniformed Afghans against their foreign allies rose dramatically.

FATAL

From 1A

occurred Jan. 9 when a 65-year-old man from Greensboro, N.C., lost control of his pickup that was towing a car. The car became detached and the truck rolled over. The man was ejected and died at the scene, according to previous reports.

Last year, there were 43 deaths in 40 crashes on roads inside Midland County. Five of those fatalities occurred on I-20 or the interstate's service roads, and six of those wrecks occurred on FM 1788, according to Reporter-Telegram records.

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MORALES

From 1A

Morales: Really, there's a couple of things I want to accomplish. No. 1 is getting a good communication setup with the city managers and department directors. Let's visit all the departments, see what's going on and make sure we have good communication and are working toward the same goal to make our community better.

No. 2 is, as I talked about during my campaign, a comprehensive plan. I really believe that to do a good comprehensive plan, it's going to take a lot of time and money. So, how close can we get to a comprehensive plan in a short amount of time that addresses this growth that's happening in Midland?

The business community is growing. The housing community is growing. Our roads, infrastructure and utilities are all issues that have to be addressed immediately.

To go into more detail, let's talk about Lamesa Road. That is one issue that I want to focus on before we go any further into any other roads. This renovation project has been lingering on and I told staff I want to get it completed. Then, we can work on other road issues.

MRT: How long would the comprehensive plan cover?

Morales: The council began these steps last year. And as council member, I kept pushing it. So I believe, at the upcoming City Council retreat, we are going to get a report on a comprehensive plan that's going to address how far out we can go.

For me, I think a minimum of 15 years could help us. A true comprehensive plan does cover 30 to 50 years.

MRT: Do you envision any other top priorities?

Morales: I want to go out and understand our community better. Let's bring in foundations, churches and nonprofits because they are a major component of helping our community move forward.

Partnerships (are) something that I really want to get big on. I applaud Mayor Wes Perry in the previous council for developing a relationship with our county and schools. I want to take it a step further with the churches and nonprofits, like how foundations have stepped forward with housing.

Why let one group do something when we can all work together and bring resources together?

MRT: Let's talk about education. Do you envision nonprofits or foundations helping out MISD?

Morales: City Council, for the five years I've been on it, has not been a strong partner with education.

I asked (MISD Superintendent) Ryder Warren recently about dropout rates. We know education is an important part of our future and the way our city is looked at from outside businesses. So I think if anything can be done immediately, it would be how to address the dropout rate.

Secondly, we should see how we can work together and strengthen the education system.

I got invited to go to Harvard University a month ago. It was an invitation from the U.S. Mayor's Conference, along with Harvard. It was all mayor-elects transitioning from campaigning to the mayor's seat. I was with 30 mayor-elects from around the country. One thing that mayor-elects from the Midwest talked about was education because those strong mayorships oversee school districts.

It got me thinking that even though we have a weaker form of mayorship here in the South, we still should work together, closely with the superintendent, on addressing education.

MRT: You are meeting with the mayors of Abilene and San Angelo for the West Texas Water Partnership. The Midland County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1 is working on Clear Water Ranch and finding more sources. How do you feel about the current way Midland is addressing long-term water?

Morales: I applaud the previous mayor and council for aggressively going after the T-Bar Ranch, then afterward going after Clear Water Ranch. Once we figure out the financing on that, then we think we will be in good shape for the next 50 years.

I'm very confident that we look good on our water today. But now it's the current council's job to begin laying that foundation for the next 50 years.

MRT: The previous mayor was seeking downtown revitalization. What are your thoughts on downtown development?

Morales: I'm for revitalizing downtown. I'm for working with all downtown property owners, getting them involved and participating whenever they can to make our downtown a vibrant downtown.

There's an opportunity, with Wall Street Lofts and the retail shops, a boutique hotel and the new EZ Rider transfer station all coming up, for downtown to look wonderful.

With Energy Tower, I have yet to see a contract and I don't know where they're at. So to tell you the truth, I'm still up in the air with Energy Tower and don't understand where they're at today.

MRT: Do you have ideas on trash or recycling?

Morales: We've been hearing a lot from citizens voicing their concerns about the way our community looks.

I had some good visits with some groups during the campaign about solutions to the trash issue. I really think the city and county can partner up with this. We can figure out who we can put on code enforcement, whether it be constables or our Code Compliance.

But creating a good, solid citywide and countywide campaign to address the trash issue will be in front of both entities for the next six months. So hopefully, very quickly, we can begin to identify that issue and have a nice campaign.

MRT: Anything else you look forward to?

Morales: This is an exciting time. I'm glad that we have these good challenges. The council looks like they're going to be aggressive and vocal. I look forward to working with this council.

And again, my goal for this first year is to really reach out to the community and understand their needs and wants, building good relationships. We ought to be proud of our community and where it is today.

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Questions and answers about Obama's new NSA rules

By Connie Cass
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama is putting limits on the harvesting of Americans' phone records and seeking revisions to a program that sweeps up email and Internet data around the world, seven months after former National Security Agency analyst Edward Snowden began divulging the secret spying.

Here are some questions and answers about Obama's plan:

Q: Why did Obama decide to make changes?

The president has been under pressure since Snowden took an estimated 1.7 million documents from the NSA and gave them to journalists around the world. The U.S. public, Congress and allies overseas were shocked to learn the extent of the NSA's post-9/11 surveillance. Soon after Snowden's disclosure in June, Obama promised to review the system that has changed rapidly as technology improved.

On Friday, Obama defended the work of the U.S. spying apparatus as necessary to protect Americans and international allies. He left the programs mostly intact, but added restrictions.

Q: Do the changes happen right away?

No. Some involve altering the USA Patriot Act, and that requires Congress to draft, debate and pass legislation. Other changes won't be carried out until the administration resolves big logistics questions. In some cases, Obama ordered the Justice Department and spy agencies to figure out how to implement new privacy protections, which will take time.

Q: Will the government get out of my phone records?

For now, the NSA will keep collecting and storing call data.

The program gathers the phone numbers called and the length of conversations, but not the content of the calls. Obama said the NSA needs to tap those records sometimes to find people linked to suspected terrorists.

But eventually he wants the bulk data to be stored somewhere out of the government's hands in order to reduce the risk that the information will be abused.

Q: So where will my records go?

That's not yet decided. Obama told Attorney General Eric Holder and Director of National Intelligence James Clapper to find a solution within 60 days, about the time the NSA surveillance programs are up for their quarterly reauthorization by a secret national security court. That could mean arranging for phone companies to store the records, although the companies already are balking at that. The government could create a new third-party entity to hold the records or come up with some other plan.

In the meantime, Obama ordered two immediate changes:

■ Analysts hunting through data will have to stay a little closer to the original suspected terrorist or organization. They will be able to look at communications two steps away, instead of three.

■ The administration will require a special judge's advance approval before intelligence agencies can examine someone's data. The NSA has been able to decide for itself whether it has reasonable cause to run a query.

Q:What about the NSA reading my email or watching my online activities?

The bulk collection of online data is supposed to target only people outside the United States as part of national security investigations. But it does end up sweeping up information about some Americans in the process. Obama asked Holder and Clapper to consider whether new privacy safeguards could be added.

Q: What about the phone calls and emails of people living abroad?

Obama said the U.S. should respect the privacy of non-Americans, too. He said he will extend to foreigners some of the protections against spying that apply to U.S. citizens. He directed Holder and Clapper to look into new restrictions on how long the U.S. can hold data collected overseas and how that data is used.

The U.S. won't spy on ordinary people who don't threaten national security, Obama said.

He issued a directive saying that intelligence-gathering can't be employed to suppress criticism of the United States or provide a competitive advantage to U.S. companies.

Q: What about spying on world leaders?

In response to international criticism, Obama is making assurances that the U.S. won't spy on its allies' heads of state. But the White House declined to say which world leaders are on that "friends" list.

Obama noted that other countries, including some who have complained about the NSA, constantly try to snoop on the U.S. government's phone calls and email. He said there are compelling national security reasons for snooping on foreign governments and the U.S. won't apologize for being better at it.

Q: What else did Obama do?

Obama called for creation of a panel of advocates to represent privacy and civil liberty concerns before the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court that oversees the spy programs. The advocates would argue before the court only in certain significant cases, such as those dealing with a new issue. Congress would have to vote to make this happen, however.

Obama also is asking a senior White House adviser, John Podesta, to lead a broad review of the use of "big data," with input from technology companies and privacy experts.

Other changes include a plan to reveal a little more information about the secret national security letters that the government issues to banks, phone companies and others to demand information about certain customers.

Q: Will the changes satisfy critics of the programs?

No. Many civil liberties advocates and tech industry representatives said Obama didn't go far enough.

Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky., called it "the same unconstitutional program with a new configuration." Rep. Justin Amash, R-Mich., said Congress "must do what the president apparently will not" and take action to "close the era of secret law."

Several Democratic critics of the NSA said more must be done but applauded Obama's first step.

Sen. Mark Udall, D-Colo., said: "I tip my hat to him. This is the beginning of the mission, but he clearly listened."

Q: So what will Congress do?

Too soon to say.

Associated Press

President Barack Obama talks about National Security Agency surveillance, Friday at the Justice Department in Washington. Seeking to calm a furor over U.S. surveillance, the president called for ending the government's control of phone data from hundreds of millions of Americans and immediately ordered intelligence agencies to get a secretive court's permission before accessing the records.

Obama's actions might breathe new life into the major bill to rein in the NSA, which has been blocked so far by congressional leaders in both parties.

Polls show Americans disapproving of some of NSA's snooping, and many rank-and-file Republicans and Democrats have pushed for changes that go beyond what Obama announced Friday.

Last July, a plan to shut down NSA's phone call database fell only a few votes shy of passing the House.

Yet the Democratic and Republican leaders of the House and Senate intelligence committees have all endorsed the bulk collection of phone records as a valuable tool in terrorism investigations.

House Speaker John Boehner said the House would review any legislation proposed by Obama but "will not erode the operational integrity of critical programs that have helped keep America safe."

Q: Will Obama's changes make it harder to track terrorists?

For months intelligence agency leaders have vigorously argued that their sweeping programs help stop terrorists. On Friday, Clapper said Obama was focused on striking the right balance.

The president's own review board recommended that the NSA's bulk collection of millions of phone records come to an end.

The review said the information gleaned from the "metadata" hasn't been essential to preventing attacks and could have been obtained through more conventional routes. It also noted that not all phone service's records are collected, reducing the program's usefulness.

Yet some changes, such as Obama's new requirement that analysts get a judge's approval before querying the phone database, could slow investigations.

Q:What happened to Snowden?

Snowden fled the country before his revelations became public. He is currently living in Russia, granted temporary asylum from the criminal charges he faces in the United States for disseminating classified information.

Some supporters call him a hero and want Obama to grant him amnesty or a plea deal. The White House has dismissed those notions.

"I'm not going to dwell on Mr. Snowden's actions or motivations," Obama said. "I will say that our nation's defense depends in part on the fidelity of those entrusted with our nation's secrets."

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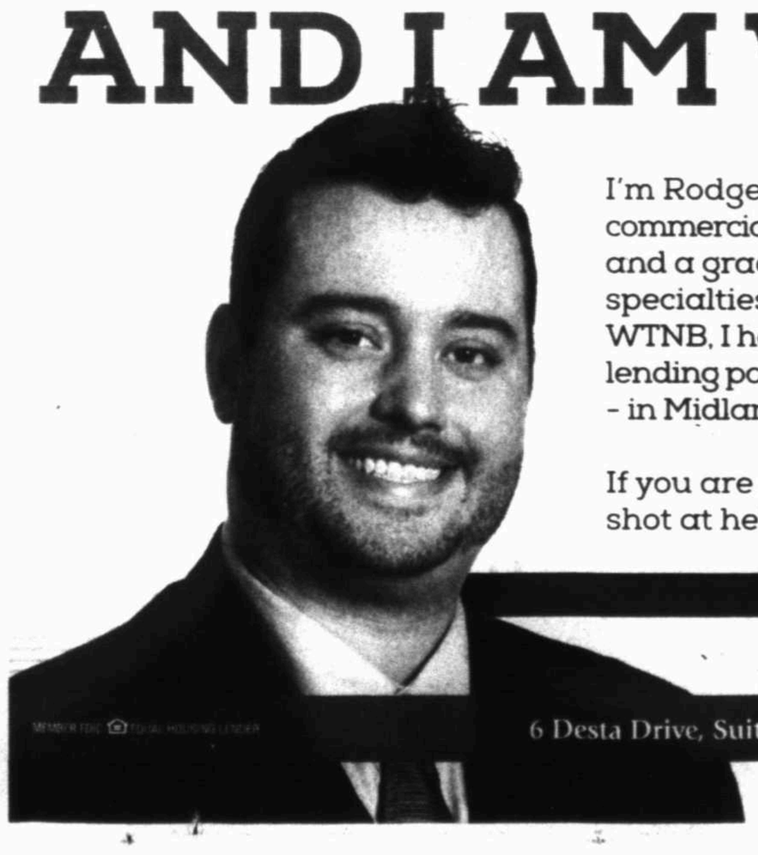
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The divisiveness is in the details of spying overhaul

By Peter Baker and Jeremy W. Peters
New York Times News Service

■ COMMENTARY

WASHINGTON — The roiling debate over security and liberty did not end with President Barack Obama's newly announced overhaul of surveillance practices. Rather, it now enters a volatile next phase as intelligence agencies and a divided Congress try to turn principles into policy.

In responding to months of uproar about government spying, Obama left to be decided the details that would determine just how meaningful the change he promised would be. He asked security officials to develop ways to protect the privacy of foreigners. He asked Congress to help figure out how to store bulk telephone data. He invited other proposals to restructure a secret intelligence court.

All of which means that the future shape of a surveillance apparatus whose secrets have been uncomfortably exposed remains far from certain. The assurances Obama offered his critics may be made more nebulous by exceptions written into any new policies. The question of what to do with a vast trove of data on everyday Americans may elude policymakers who cannot agree on much. And yet legislators may find their usual politics scrambled by an issue that crosses party lines.

"It's the beginning of a long process, and the end on some of this is still unclear," said former Rep. Jane Harman, an author of the last major surveillance law and now the president of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. "But the good news is now there's a full debate in the Congress and in the country about our values and how to address security and liberty at the same time."

The debate injects the touchy issue into the congressional arena as lawmakers enter an election year. Where once there was little popular demand for reining in the spy agencies, today momentum has built in some quarters after many disclosures by Edward J. Snowden, a former National Security Agency contractor.

Obama's approach, outlined in a much anticipated speech Friday, leaves intact the spy programs that have stirred so much debate but modifies them in hopes of persuading the public that they will not be abused. The NSA will have to get court permission to search a vast repository of telephone data and will not be able to expand the search as far as it did before.

But Obama had no answer for the biggest question involving the bulk data collection program. Although he said the government should no longer keep the data, he outlined flaws in the only two alternatives floated so far: leaving data with telecommunications providers or creating an independent consortium to store it. He assigned the attorney general, Eric Holder, and the director of national intelligence, James Clapper, to develop a plan and asked Congress to help.

Unlike many divisive issues to arrive on Capitol Hill, this one appears unlikely to die after waiting for a floor debate that never happens, or be thwarted by the parliamentary maneuver of an uncompromising leader.

"Reformers may not get all of what we want," said Sen. Richard Blumenthal, D-Conn. "But I think there's a very real prospect of doing better than the president has proposed, and he's acknowledged himself that there may be a need for taking additional steps."

Others were not so certain. "This happens all the time in Washington," said Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky. and a vocal critic of surveillance programs. "Everybody gets in an uproar — 'Congress must act! Congress must act!' But when they do act, they do something devious and don't really address the problem."

Indeed, supporters of the NSA programs say they expect Congress to resist undercutting programs that protect the public. "You will see changes at the margins with significant ambiguities and exceptions that will provide the executive branch with lots of flexibility," predicted former Rep. Pete Hoekstra, R-Mich., a onetime chairman of the intelligence committee.

What distinguishes the surveillance issue from so many that have stymied a polarized Congress is that it does not follow easy patterns. The libertarian right, represented by Paul, has joined the liberal left, represented by lawmakers like Sen. Bernard Sanders of Vermont, an independent who calls himself a socialist.

On the other side are the leaders of both parties, like Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., and Rep. Mike Rogers, R-Mich., leaders of the intelligence committees and supporters of the surveillance programs. The two attended Obama's speech at the Justice Department, then lingered together afterward consulting with Clapper. Within a few hours, the two issued a joint statement defending the programs.

"It's interesting because there's splits within both parties," said Peter Swire, a Georgia Tech professor who served on a panel of Obama's that reviewed the surveillance programs. "Potentially it makes it easier because members are open to persuasion. It's not a party-line vote."

Sen. Angus King, of Maine, an Independent who usually votes with Democrats, said: "Ideology is sort of confusing on this one. When you have Rand Paul and Bernie Sanders on the same side, that makes for a pretty interesting debate."

Indeed, some Democrats seemed eager to use the issue to distance themselves from an unpopular chief executive. "I don't believe innocent Alaskans' personal records need to be collected and analyzed in bulk in an effort to help catch terrorists," said Sen. Mark Begich of Alaska. "It's a violation of our civil liberties and is heavy-handed — like using a shark hook to fish for a salmon."

In the Senate, the debate sets up a possible clash among three of the most powerful and headstrong Democrats: Feinstein; Patrick J. Leahy of Vermont, chairman of the Judiciary Committee and an advocate for expansive reforms; and Harry Reid of Nevada, the majority leader, who feels pinched between the White House and members of his caucus.

In the House, the issue pits Speaker John Boehner, of Ohio, against some in his Republican caucus. When the House debated a bill that would have blocked the NSA from collecting bulk telephone data, the measure came within a dozen votes of passing. Although speakers rarely vote, Boehner took the unusual step of voting in opposition.

Boehner has not endorsed the legislation that seems most likely to be the vehicle for the debate over NSA practices this year, which has been drafted by Leahy and Rep. F. James Sensenbrenner, of Wisconsin, a senior Republican who as an author of the Patriot Act holds considerable sway with his colleagues. The bill would end bulk data collection and establish an independent counsel to argue against government requests at the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court.

"The bottom line is real reform cannot be done by presidential fiat," Sensenbrenner said, bluntly making the case that Congress has to act where the White House stopped short. "The president and intelligence community have repeatedly misled Congress and the American people and lack credibility for reform."

Only outraged public forced Obama to act on NSA

By David McCumber
Hearst Newspapers

■ COMMENTARY

WASHINGTON — "The sensational way in which these disclosures have come out has often shed more heat than light."

That drive-by assessment by President Obama of the news stories reporting National Security Agency abuses leaked by Edward Snowden reveals much about a secrecy-obsessed administration.

The "sensational way" people found out about these threats to civil liberties is called journalism.

And the stories have shed light aplenty — enough that Obama's remark was part of Friday's speech in which he was forced to announce significant changes to a system that is violently allergic to limits of any kind.

Neither the speech nor the reforms would ever have happened if Snowden hadn't blown the whistle with the help of reporters.

It comes under the heading of "inconvenient truth" that before the disclosures, Obama was presiding over a system he knew perfectly well — the same system he is now changing because when the public gained the knowledge that he already had, the outcry was appropriately ferocious.

The Obama administration, while paying lip service to journalism, has never much cared for it in practice — at least not the kind that bites instead of fawns.

The repeated use of the Espionage Act to punish whistleblowers — and use of surveillance techniques on journalists — speak much louder to that than any number of clever D.C. dinner speeches or spun-sugar star turns with favored correspondents.

Without question, Obama took some laudable steps on Friday. Public advocacy on the FISA court is long overdue, and for the first time, the government won't just be listening to itself talk at those vital hearings. This is a key reform.

The requirement of a court order before access to metadata is a concept that's similarly hard to argue with.

But many questions remain. Some of them have only unsatisfactory answers.

If the NSA does not hold telephone metadata collected in bulk, who will? Having some even less regulated entity holding private information as it continues to be gathered on a massive scale is not in itself all that reassuring.

How vital is the continued collection of this private, sensitive data to national security? And is it worth the diminishing of civil liberties that it by definition entails?

President Obama spoke for an hour on an issue usually handled in silence. Many advocates see that in itself as a vindication for Snowden and for the public activism that followed.

But much more talk, and action, is needed.

Obama has turfed responsibility for many details to Congress, which hasn't been a great climate for detail work recently — although the coalition of civil libertarians from across the political spectrum there is growing and encouraging.

Ultimately, whether the change that results from Obama's initiative is cosmetic or real depends on the continued pressure of the public. Whistleblowers and journalists have essential roles to play. And vigilance and well-aimed dissent are fundamental to the well-being of the nation.

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Tuesday, the forecast calls for mostly sunny skies during the day, partly cloudy skies at night, with a high around 58 and a low around 34.

The high on Saturday reached 69, while the low dropped to 35. The record high for Jan. 18 is 83 set in 2000. The record low is 7 set in 1949.

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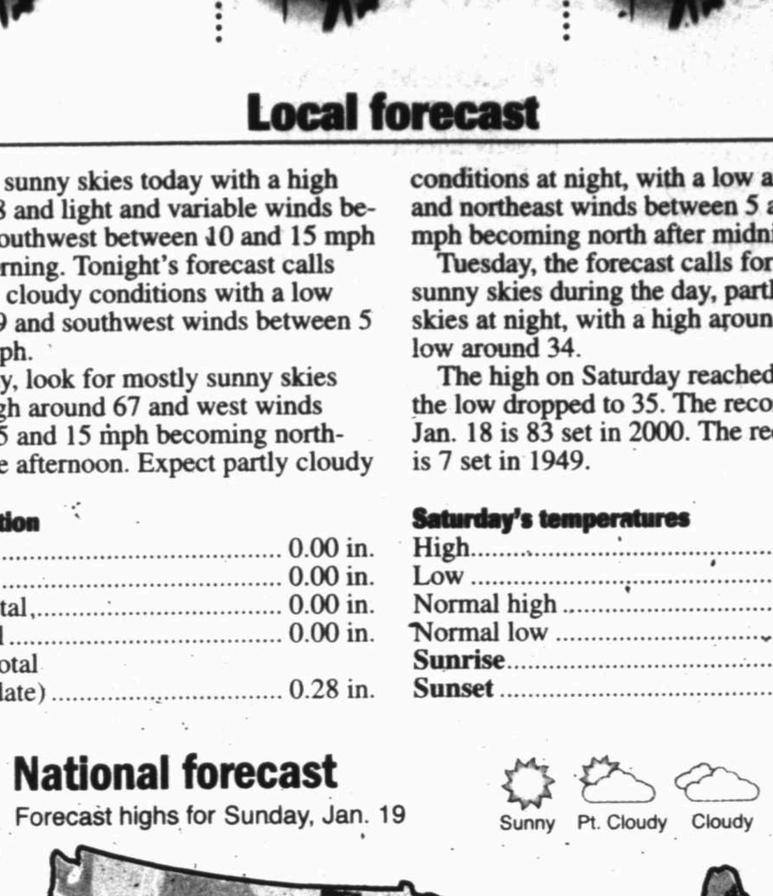

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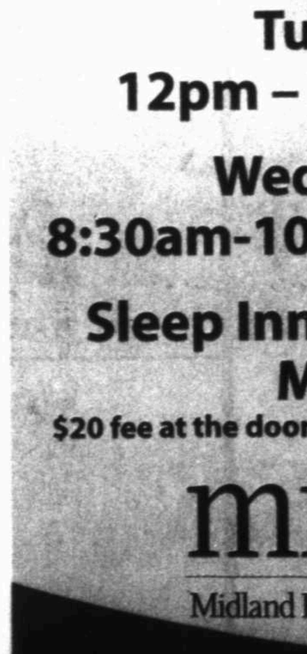

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Fiscal fatigue grabs capital as Obama preps speech

By Tom Raum
Associated Press

AP file photo

A woman looks at the U.S. Capitol on Dec. 31, 2013. After last fall's tumultuous, bitterly partisan debt ceiling and government shutdown battles, a sense of fatigue seems to be setting in among many Washington policymakers as President Barack Obama prepares for his fifth State of the Union address later this month.

WASHINGTON — After last fall's tumultuous, bitterly partisan debt ceiling and government shutdown fights, a sense of fatigue seems to be setting in among many Washington policymakers as President Barack Obama prepares for his fifth State of the Union address later this month.

A declining U.S. budget deficit, still-accommodative Federal Reserve and a small-bore budget deal negotiated last month — given final approval Thursday in Congress and signed by Obama on Friday — are helping to temper partisan rhetoric in the short term as attention in Washington shifts to the approaching midterm elections.

The recovery from the deep recession of 2007-09 has been one of the slowest in history and still has a ways to go, especially in terms of regaining lost jobs. That was driven home by a Labor Department report last Friday that U.S. employers added just 74,000 jobs last month, far fewer than had been forecast and the smallest monthly gain in three years.

The overall jobless rate dropped to 6.7 percent from 7 percent in November, the lowest level since October 2008. Much of the decline came from Americans who stopped looking for jobs and are no longer being counted by the government as unemployed. Meanwhile, a growing number of baby boomers are retiring.

Still, economists are generally predicting a pickup in economic growth in 2014 amid a continued favorable climate of low inflation, falling oil prices, a housing recovery and the Fed sticking to its plan to only slowly pare back the hundreds of billions of dollars in financial stimulus it has pumped into the economy over the past four years.

Meanwhile, recent polls show rising public distaste for brinkmanship and dysfunction on both sides of the political divide in Washington. In a recent poll, conducted by the AP-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research, 70 percent said they lacked confidence in the government's ability "to make progress on the important problems and issues facing the country in 2014."

Last October, GOP conservatives forced a 16-day government shutdown with their failed attempt to defund Obama's health insurance overhaul. But any public relations advantage Democrats may have reaped from that episode may have been eroded or lost in the problem-plagued rollout of the health care program.

Leaders of both parties are expressing frustration over the recent bouts of gridlock that come from divided control of government, with Democrats now controlling both the executive branch and the Senate and Republicans ruling the House. Neither party wants to bear the blame for the perceived dysfunction — while both sides are quick to blame the other for it.

And both sides are trying to better position themselves as they calculate strategy with a close eye on potential midterm wins and losses.

The $1.1 trillion spending compromise grew out of an agreement negotiated last month by Rep. Paul Ryan, R-Wis., and Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash. — leaders respectively of the House and Senate Budget committees. It funds the government through Sept. 30, eases across-the-board government mandatory spending cuts and eliminates, for now, the likelihood of an election-year government shutdown.

The measure passed the House 359-67 on Wednesday and the Senate 72-26 on Thursday. Obama signed it Friday, averting any interruption in government funding Saturday at midnight.

It was a modest agreement, not the grand bargain some had hoped for. But for once, at least, the two sides were roughly on the same page and debate, for once, was mostly muted.

"It's bipartisan, bicameral. We did it because we listened to each other and functioned with maximum respect," said Sen. Barbara Mikulski, D-Md., chairwoman of the Senate Appropriations Committee. "No one wants to shut the government down on either side," Sen. Richard Shelby, of Arizona, the committee's top Republican, told colleagues.

The volume of the rhetoric may be lowered a bit, for now, but it's not clear how long the pause will last.

"The Republicans certainly didn't want to put themselves in the position they did with respect to the government shutdown," said Thomas E. Mann, a congressional scholar at the Brookings Institution.

"And the (Ryan-Murray) agreement was important in terms of setting budget ceilings for two years and giving a fighting shot at getting appropriations bills for next year done. But I don't think that stretches or moves on to other things."

"The differences are still stark," he said.

The two parties, for instance, are squabbling now over Obama's request to Congress to temporarily restore extended unemployment benefits for about 1.4 million longer-term unemployed workers who lost them when the program expired on Dec. 28. And another battle to raise the nation's borrowing authority — when the current debt limit debt is reached, probably sometime in March — also looms.

Rich Galen, a GOP consultant and former top aide to Republican House Speaker Newt Gingrich, suggests the now-raging controversy over the rocky health-insurance rollout is transitory and likely to fade with time. "Remember, in 2000 it took us 36 days to find out who the president was," he said, referring to the razor close victory of Republican George W. Bush over Democratic Vice President Al Gore.

"Certainly during the shutdown Republicans got very poor publicity, and it shows in the polls," said James Thurber, a former congressional legislative assistant who has advised Obama on ethics and lobbying rules.

But during the health care rollout "Democrats lost momentum," said Thurber, currently director of the Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies at American University.

State surpluses spark debate on tax cuts, spending

By David Lieb
Associated Press

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — As legislatures return to action and governors outline their budget plans, politicians in many states are facing a pleasant election-year challenge: What to do with all the extra money?

A slow but steady economic recovery is generating more tax revenue than many states had anticipated, offering elected officials tantalizing choices about whether to ply voters with tax breaks, boost spending for favorite programs or sock away cash for another rainy day.

It's a tricky question because of the economic experiments begun almost nationwide since the recession. A couple of dozen states controlled by Republicans have been seeking prosperity with tax cuts and less government. Their Democratic counterparts have sought to fortify their economies by investing more in education and other social services.

The clamor for new spending is already revealing fissures among some governors and lawmakers. And clashes have arisen even within the same party, suggesting that the debate in some places could widen beyond typical partisan disputes.

Democratic New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, for example, wants to tap a surplus to cut taxes, despite other Democrats' ideas for new spending. In Louisiana, Republican Gov. Bobby Jindal wants to steer the surplus to education and health care.

The National Association of State Budget Officers projects that almost all states will see "fairly decent surpluses" in their 2014 budgets. For some, it may be the first extra cash since before the recession began in late 2007. In many states, the surpluses coincide with elections that mark the first opportunity for officials to be judged on the results of their economic policies.

"I think this election cycle will tell us a lot about whether or not we're going to have better fiscal-management officials in charge, or whether we're going to go back to business as usual, which is if the revenue comes in, let's figure out a way to spend it," said Ross DeVol, chief researcher at the Milken Institute, an economic think tank in Santa Monica, Calif.

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Obama has bigger problems than a memoir

■ President's indecision creating vacuum in the Mideast that Iran, Russia or al-Qaida will like to fill

MICHAEL GERSON
Washington Post Writers Group

Some autobiographies emerge from careful reflection, others from career calculation. Robert Gates' "Duty: Memoirs of a Secretary at War" seems the result of a good, long seethe.

This is not to discount Gates' compelling, sometimes self-critical, recounting of recent history — ample reason to read the book. But consider this judgment: "I saw most of Congress as uncivil, incompetent at fulfilling their basic constitutional responsibilities (such as timely appropriations), micromanagerial, parochial, hypocritical, egotistical, thin-skinned and prone to put self (and re-election) before country."

So much for the legislative branch of the American government.

Gates is an exceptionally competent, sober-minded public servant who has finally lost all patience with politics and politicians. Either he is in need of Xanax and a nap or something is very, very wrong with Washington.

It is Gates' critique of the executive branch under President Obama that has naturally attracted the most attention. The national security staff, in Gates' telling, is highly centralized and politicized. "Agreements with the Obama White House," he concludes, "were good for only as long as they were politically convenient." Vice President Biden mafches bureaucratic tenacity with uniformly poor judgment. Obama is ambivalent about his own Afghan strategy and his choices came across as "politically calculated."

Some critics of Gates' book have found this critique self-contradictory. Doesn't Gates stipulate, on Afghanistan, that "Obama was right in each of these decisions"? Doesn't he admit "a similar approach to dealing with national security issues"?

Actually, Gates' portrait is particularly convincing and damaging, precisely because he is not making an ideological critique. He is neither a disappointed realist nor a disillusioned idealist. Instead, he is raising questions about the quality of Obama's leadership.

Gates was fated by history to be the implementer of military surges, first in Iraq under George W. Bush and then in Afghanistan. Obama ordered the Afghan surge — but if he ever had confidence in this strategy, he quickly lost it. This leads Gates to a conclusion that should forever be honored in the history of passive-aggression: "I never doubted Obama's support for the troops, only his support for their mission." What possible comfort does this offer to the troops in Afghanistan carrying out a mission that the president himself no longer supports?

The implication is clear. Gates supported the Afghan surge because he wanted success. Obama agreed to the surge, but his ultimate goal was to get out, whatever the outcome. This is how two men can agree on a policy while holding profoundly different views of military leadership.

Precisely because Gates shares "a similar approach to dealing with national security issues," he does not make a broader critique of the real-world consequences of presidential ambivalence, particularly in the large zone of conflict running from North Africa to South Asia. Obama wants to be known, above all, as the ender of wars. But ending American involvement does not end conflicts that have deep implications for American interests and security.

Whether attempting a pivot to Asia, or focusing on nation-building at home, the administration adopted a policy of all-purpose restraint in the Middle East. After Obama pledged to "maintain sufficient forces in the region to target all al-Qaida within Iraq," American troops departed without a status-of-forces agreement or an adequate plan to oppose resurgent radicalism. In Syria, Obama called for Bashar al-Assad to go without seriously aiding U.S.-affiliated rebels. In Afghanistan, America appears to be elbowing for the exits. The New York Times recently referred to "a post-American Middle East."

And what does a post-American Middle East look like? Iraq in crisis. Syria in ruins. Al-Qaida establishing safe havens across 400 miles of both countries — havens that could become launching pads. Our proxies in Syria crushed. Russia, Iran and Hezbollah ascendant. Disillusioned allies freelancing their own approaches. America is left with a strategy of devils' deals. Assad can apparently keep his throne of skulls if he gives up chemical weapons and engages in alternate forms of mass killing. Maybe Iran will not only stop its 19,000 centrifuges but help us in Syria.

This is not to argue that any solutions are easy or obvious, or that new military interventions are good options; it is only to note that "restraint" in helping proxies and allies can actually be indecision and paralysis, creating vacuums that Russia, Iran or al-Qaida are pleased to fill. And this is a larger problem for the Obama administration than a rogue memoir.

OUR VIEW

Show of Support train wreck trial should take place in Midland

It appears the civil trial related to the fatal Nov. 15, 2012, Show of Support parade train wreck will be moved back to Midland. Additional legal proceedings are required in order for the venue to be established, but as the Reporter-Telegram printed Thursday, the Court of Appeals of the Fifth District of Texas at Dallas ruled that the trial's venue should be changed again to Midland County after it had been moved to Dallas County in August.

"Here, the relevant venue facts supporting venue in Midland County are undisputed," said Kerry P. Fitzgerald, judge on the Texas Fifth District Court of Appeals, in his court opinion. "It is undisputed that Smith (Industries, the other defendant along with Union Pacific) maintains its principal office in Midland County, and the accident made the basis of this lawsuit occurred in Midland County. Our inquiry need go no further."

We're satisfied with that. In fact, we never understood the need to move the trial from Midland. The tragic event that killed Marine Chief Warrant Officer 3 Gary Stouffer, 37; Army Sgt. Maj. Lawrence Boivin, 47; Army Sgt. Joshua Michael, 34; and Army Sgt. Maj. William Lubbers, 43, happened here. The main players are here, and a Midland County jury would be capable of determining what went wrong and who, if anyone, is liable for damages.

Kevin Glasheen, a Lubbock attorney representing the plaintiffs in the lawsuit, said the issue of venue may go all the way to the Texas Supreme Court before the appeal ruling is final.

The trial was scheduled to begin in April, but because of the extra proceedings, that is unlikely. It's going to be a long time before we can close the book on this case. But at least it appears that the trial will be set for Midland. That's the way it should be.

Correction

In Friday's editorial, it was written that former Texas Tech football player Baker Mayfield had been offered a scholarship to the University of Oklahoma. That is not the case. The Reporter-Telegram regrets the error.

The editorial was later changed to reflect that information.

Football player Baker Mayfield recently asked for a transfer request to go play somewhere else. Texas Tech said no.

Generally, we would have no problem with the idea of a college saying no to an unconditional waiver. Schools make a commitment to the high school student and the same type of commitment should be expected.

Except Mayfield was not a scholarship athlete. He was a walk-on — a very good walk-on as it turned out. He was the Big 12 Freshmen of the Year. He started some games at quarterback for the Red Raiders.

Mayfield decided to part ways with Tech. He did so, knowing the school was within its rights to not grant the waiver, walk-on or not. So his move comes with a penalty. Mayfield will transfer without a waiver to OU, which means he will have to sit out the next football season and he will lose a year of eligibility.

For a guy who paid to play this past season, it seems like a pretty harsh penalty.

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Big spenders come back in force

■ Lawmakers send a bipartisan message to the tea party and other big spending worrywarts

DANA MILBANK
Washington Post Writers Group

Read the bill! It was a rallying cry of the tea party in 2010 and of Republicans bitter about a 906-page health care law that few proponents had read. Republicans made a "read the bill" pledge and vowed that they would put the text of bills online at least 72 hours before votes.

A very different Republican Party rushed a massive spending bill through the House last week, just 44 hours after it was posted. The bill was 1,582 pages and accompanying explanatory statements added another 1,278, which means lawmakers had less than a minute to read each page, even if they didn't sleep.

This was an ugly and gargantuan spending bill, cutting vital programs while sending goodies to well-connected industries. And yet there was some good news in the swift and easy passage through the House, followed quickly by the Senate. It means business-as-usual is returning to the Capitol.

There's nothing to love about Washington's business-as-usual, in which lawmakers on both sides do the bidding of the powerful. Yet even this is better than the endless crises and constant brinkmanship of the last three years. The spending bill also offers another sign that the tea party activists and affiliated organizations are losing their hold on Republicans.

This has similarities to what happened a few years after the Republican Revolution of 1994, when the revolutionaries began to act like the Democratic majorities they had deplored. Then, as now, the rebels left their mark; in this case, they succeeded in reducing non-entitlement spending at a rate not seen in decades. But comb through the $1.1 trillion "omnibus" spending bill, as the watchdog group Taxpayers for Common Sense has done, and you'll see a return to the old ways:

■ The bill gives at least $62 million, and possibly as much as $119 million, to the United States Enrichment Corp., a government spinoff that last month announced plans to file for bankruptcy.

■ The bill blocks the Navy from retiring seven cruisers and two amphibious ships. It gave the Pentagon $950 million more than it wanted for one class of attack submarines. But the measure denied the Pentagon $8 million it sought to study more base closures.

■ The bill awards the Pentagon $666 million to study illnesses and afflictions ranging from Lou Gehrig's disease to breast cancer — activities not closely related to war-fighting.

■ The bill gives the oil and nuclear industries a bonanza: $154 million more than the Department of Energy requested for nuclear energy, and $141 million more than requested for fossil-fuel development, despite enormous oil profits.

■ Skirting a ban on earmarks, the bill provides more than $44 million for the Army Corps of Engineers that the administration had not requested. And lawmakers have been issuing press releases bragging about pet projects that are earmarks in everything but name.

Now it's Democrats' turn to howl about reading the bill. "My colleagues are being asked to vote on this, over 1,500 pages that nobody has read," Rep. Jim McGovern, of Massachusetts, protested during the debate. "I am willing to bet that in a week or so we are going to read an article about something that was in here that nobody even knew about."

But Rep. Robert Aderholt, R-Ala., one of the Appropriations Committee "cardinals" whose powers have been revived by the bill, assured colleagues that "every word and every number has been scrutinized and there are no surprises."

Oh? The drafting was so willy-nilly that four provisions, found by the Huffington Post, block funding to the community-organizing group ACORN, which went out of business in 2010.

Predictably, groups aligned with the tea party such as Club for Growth, FreedomWorks and Heritage Action demanded lawmakers oppose the bill and said they would put the vote on their legislative scorecards.

Yet, by 166-64, House Republicans rejected the pressure. In the Senate, where the minority Republicans don't carry the burden of leadership, 17 of 43 voting Republicans stood up to the pressure.

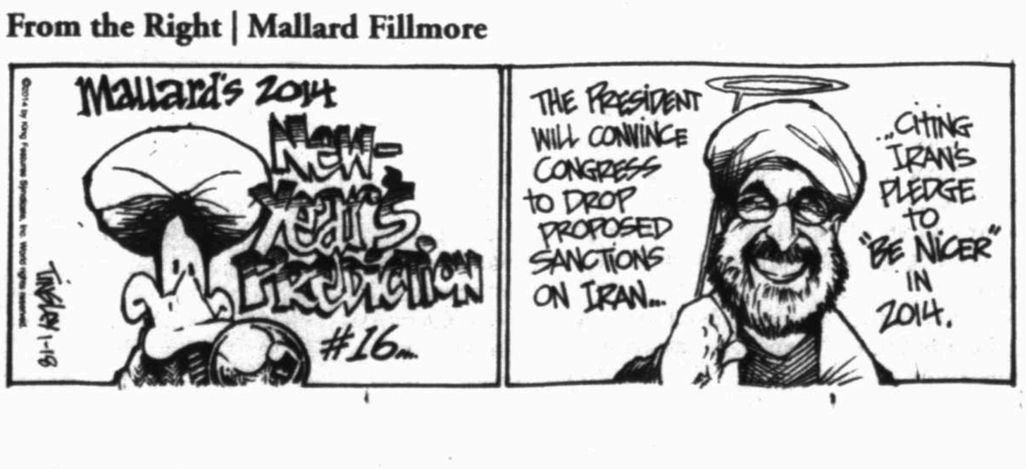
Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, had considered blocking the vote but relented under pressure from Republican colleagues, who are growing less fearful of Cruz's tea party ties. A new NBC News/Marist presidential primary poll has Cruz in eighth place, with 5 percent support; a month earlier, as National Journal pointed out, he was in fourth place, with 10 percent.

Cruz can take comfort that his drop is within the margin of error. But he's an opportunist, and I expect he'll mellow as the tea party fades.

It's getting to be that time, Ted.

From the Left | Doonesbury

From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Commissioners can undo tax office mistake

Commenting on our next Midland County tax assessor-collector, the Jan. 8 Our View editorial stated: "We just wanted to see Hood and Natividad wage a campaign and let Midland voters select the logical successor for the next four years, no built-in excuses. Commissioners, however decided otherwise."

I agree with the president of the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Rachel Stone, that the appointment of Karen Hood as interim tax assessor-collector was "a political thing." If the commissioners have an ounce of integrity, they will correct this embarrassing and unfair decision.

I suggest they try this: "Un-appoint" Karen Hood as interim tax assessor collector, "un-retire" Terry Burge and appoint her as the interim tax assessor-collector, and (if he will accept it) "un-fire" Manny Natividad. This effectively puts things back at square one and allows the candidates, Natividad and Hood, to run for the four-year term unencumbered. Each can discuss their experience, qualifications and any certification so the Midland voters can make an informed choice.

This political chicanery by the commissioners will remain in my memory bank when my commissioner, Robin Donnelly, next runs for any office.

Phil Roberts

Council must support the Constitution

Delegated authority and violation of oath of office are two principles of constitutional government that have been ignored for most of the time our Constitution has been in existence, caused by stupidity, deliberately or a so-what attitude.

Whatever the reason, it is precisely why we, as a nation, are in the destitute condition we are in today.

A simple test can be applied to every government program by asking: "Do I, as an individual, have a right to use force upon my neighbor in order for me to accomplish a particular goal?" If I do have such a right, then I may delegate that power to my government to exercise on my behalf. But if I do not have that right as an individual, then I cannot delegate it to any level of government.

Just because citizens are elected to government, they have no innate power or privilege to do anything, because their only source of authority and power is from the people who created government. It is equally important to keep in mind that the people who create a government can give to that government only such powers as they, themselves, have in the first place.

City Council members are required to take an oath as prescribed in Article VI of the U.S. Constitution, "to support this Constitution." Their approval of any proposed law that is unconstitutional is a violation of their oath of office, and they become a law breaker. Yes, a criminal who, according to law, can be removed from office, fined and/or incarcerated.

Do you, as a resident of Midland, have the right to force your neighbors to give you their money in order for you to use it to subsidize free enterprise? No. Consequently, neither does government. Yet it is now subsidizing several free enterprise functions and must be addressed at their first meeting.

Should you desire to gain further knowledge on how to eradicate this criminal activity, contact me at ww2vet@grandecom.net.

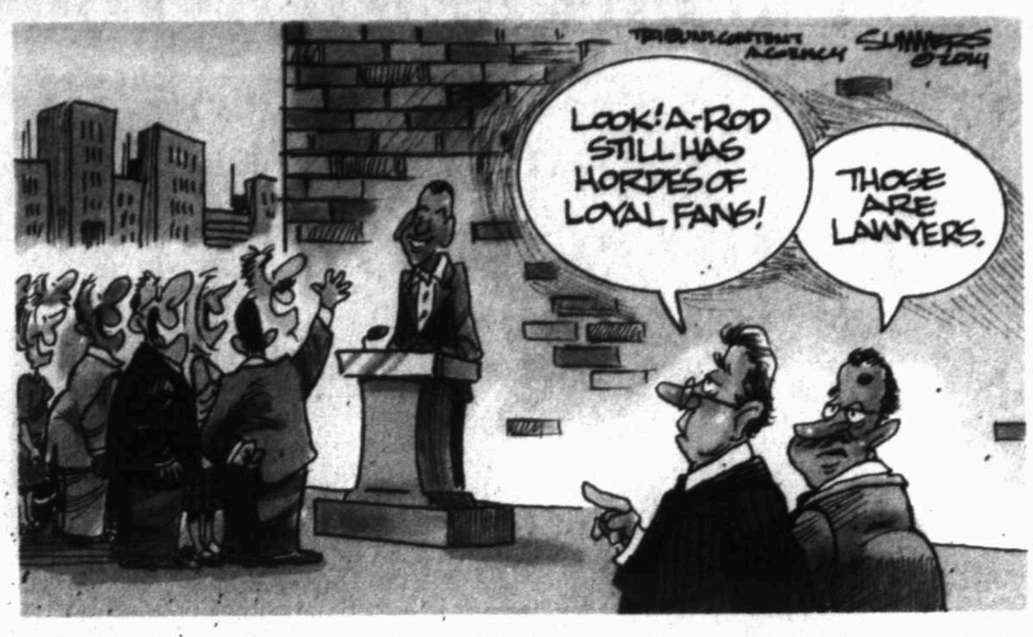
Thomas Flournoy

On anniversary of Roe vs. Wade, embrace life

Forty-one years ago abortion was legalized in our country. The Roe v. Wade decision established that no matter when life actually begins, civil rights do not begin until birth. Protection of prenatal life is left to the states, and the inalienable right to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness has become secondary to that of the mother. Government's rightful reason to exist lies not in protecting the interests of the powerful, but in using its power to protect the interests of the weak. Clearly, our federal government in matters of abortion has turned its back on the weakest among us. And so it is up to the states and people like us to take up their cause.

After 41 years of legalized abortion, perhaps the tide is turning. Abortion rates have begun to decline. Abortion facilities in many parts of the nation, faced with decreased government funding and higher quality-of-care standards, are closing their doors. But sadly the prevalent attitude is still that our responsibility to protect the young one growing in the womb somehow depends on whether we want this child.

Whether our motivation for protecting life originates from our faith or from the human reason that knows that to deny the right to life is effectively to deny every other human right, we must all work to support and protect life in all of its stages. And so I appeal to people of every faith and people of no faith at all. I appeal to voters



and politicians of every political party and none at all to embrace all life and not choose between the lives of the weak and the strong. The very young in the womb, the very weak in their old age, the very poor and the marginalized all deserve our support and protection. Together by building up all of our people we can rebuild society and return America to greatness.

Tom Collier

Thank you to all over supported light display

Thank you to all who came by and saw our Christmas lights at 5600 Ashwood Court in Grassland and made a donation to the Midland Soup Kitchen. This was our 16th year to put up a display and our seventh year to collect donations.

If you dropped off food or donations, you helped an organization that feeds 150 people a day and up to 350 at Thanksgiving and Christmas. We appreciate everyone who helped make a difference by giving 2,259 pounds of food, more than double last year's total, in the weeks before Christmas.

Thanks also to Mid-Cities Community Church Youth Group, which helped take down the display, and also to the many kind people who volunteered in different ways to make this possible.

Ricky Thames

Paper is wrong on campaign spending editorial

The editorial in the Jan. 16 Reporter-Telegram concerning spending in the recent city elections is disturbing but not for the reasons cited therein. The Reporter-Telegram seems obsessed with the dollar amount expended, particularly in the mayor's race. They concluded that to be elected you need to be wealthy and that the grassroots played no role in the results.

First, I doubt that either John James or Jerry Morales consider themselves to be wealthy in the sense implied in the editorial. The money was raised and spent by both candidates because each knew they had a credible opponent. Likewise, that is why their supporters contributed to their campaigns. The election was contested on a fairly broad range of philosophical issues, and that was healthy for our community, but it also generated competitive enthusiasm, which in turn generated support.

With respect to the other three candidates not having a chance, no one should have expected to be a credible candidate if they could not raise even $10,000. That's about what my campaign for mayor cost over 40 years ago.

To say the grassroots played no role is to ignore the results. The Morales campaign had hundreds of volunteers, and I bet the James campaign did, too.

Ernie Angelo

Librarian shows true colors

In the Jan. 13 Reporter-Telegram, librarian John Trischitti showed some more of his true colors to the people of Midland.

Now we know he despises hardcover books as well as old ladies who are requesting respect in the form of good manners from the other library patrons. It is time for librarian Trischitti to resign, or failing that, to be fired by the county commissioners.

Ken Hunt

Election Letters

County Judge

Reeves knows value of tax dollar

After attending Commissioners' Court on Jan. 13, there were several people asking the question as to why Karen Hood was appointed interim tax assessor.

There is nothing in the minutes as to when she came before the court for an interview, no résumé, no qualifications, as she had not been working in the office for nearly two years. Yet the court felt she was better qualified than Manny Natividad, who had been there 13 years. There was also a 30-year employee, Terry Burge, who could have been considered and not even given consideration.

They made a very bad decision and not the best for Midland County, as that office is in a turmoil. How many more employees are going to resign or be forced to retire?

I had the opportunity to work with both Judge Mike Bradford and Kathy Reeves. I can say Kathy has more experience on handling money and would be a very good judge — as she knows the value of the dollar.

Remember when you go to the polls: Don't you want a person who will be more conservative with your tax money?

Louisa Valencia

Precinct 3 Justice of the Peace

Johnson is qualified for office

When I'm doing my research on candidates, experience and qualifications are extremely important. Why would someone who has neither of these run for public office? When I looked into Billy Johnson, searching re-election for Justice of the Peace Precinct 3, I saw 11 years of experience in the justice courts in Midland County as well as multiple qualifications.

Yet his opponent, Susan Rayos, has neither. I would think being in the bail bonds business, as Rayos is, would be considered a conflict of interest, not a qualification.

Patrick Jones

Residents can be proud of Johnson

As an active voter and resident of Midland and one who makes certain that I am informed of the issues and candidates — local, state and national — an issue that I find very important has come to my attention.

Susan Rayos, a candidate for justice of the peace in Precinct 3 in the Democratic primary, has not voted in any election in 10-plus years. How can a resident, campaigning to be a public servant, ask another to vote for her when she has not seen it important enough to vote in any election in 10 years?

This is completely unacceptable to me and to any thoughtful resident.

Rayos is running against a candidate, Judge Billy Johnson, who not only is involved (voting in all elections), he is dedicated, compassionate, honest and fair and has been and will continue to be a true public servant.

These facts must be considered, and Judge Billy Johnson must be voted for and re-elected to the position that he has proven so dedicated to. Midland County, especially Precinct 3, deserves someone they can be confident in and proud of.

Re-elect Judge Billy Johnson.

Dr. Jeffrey H. Kapp

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SPEAKING OUT

City making progress in addressing housing shortage

■ Planning and Zoning did its job in voting down a subdivision; Council has interests of entire community

Jeff Sparks
District 1 city councilman

This letter is in response to the Reporter-Telegram editorial on Jan. 12 titled "Now is not the time for the city to change its course on housing." The editor asked the question: "What has changed in the last 18 months?" since the city manager made a comment to him that "Midland was 5,000 living units behind where it needed to be."

I would like to start by acknowledging that the housing shortage still exists, and the city staff and City Council are diligently working to correct the problem. Let's check the actual numbers or facts: There were 897 lots that went through final platting in the calendar year of 2013. Of those 897 lots, 704 lots (78 percent) were 1F3 workforce housing. In the last three months of 2013, the City Council approved the preliminary plat for 1,156 lots, all of which were 1F3 workforce housing:

- Daybreak Ridge (Permian Homes): 517 lots;
- Legacy Addition (D.R. Horton): 461 lots; and
- Legends, Section 8 (Betenbough): 178 lots.

In addition to single-family lots that have been added, there are approximately 2,000 living units in 11 apartment complexes that are currently in different phases of construction, all of which are expected to be completed and ready for occupancy in 2014.

"Shock" was expressed about the Planning and Zoning Commission denying a 955-lot housing sub-division that was proposed by Betenbough. I personally want to express my appreciation to P&Z for making the correct decision. Under the current ordinance for housing developments, there is a requirement for alleys. Betenbough's 955 lot housing development does not have alleys; therefore, the Planning and Zoning Commission made the right call. It is the discretion of the City Council to grant a variance to the current ordinance. It is not the Planning and Zoning's place to make policy decisions.

There was a question expressed about whether the council members care that housing prices are too high. That question offends me more than any other. The City Council members take on this job for $25 per month. We are not council members for the salary. We are council members because we care about our city and want to make a difference. Of course we care about housing prices, but we also believe in limited government, and we do not try to regulate pricing. Betenbough does command a better margin on each house they build in Midland as opposed to those that they build in Lubbock. I do believe that when we, the City Council, are asked to grant a variance to our ordinance — in this case, no alleys — we should be allowed to ask that developers consider concessions to benefit the residents who will be in their development. In this case we asked that some larger lots (1F2) be mixed in with the smaller lots. We don't want the developer to put all of the extra acreage (that would have been dedicated to alleys) into just more lots, because we also care about quality of life for all residents in Midland.

This is not the first subdivision that the City Council has given a variance from alleys. Why have we given variances? Because the city staff, supported by the City Council, wants to be helpful and work with developers to get houses built and to get prices down. We have learned from some of the previous 1F3 developments of issues that could be a problem in the future for Midland. So we have worked with the developers to address those issues in future developments. Most developers have been receptive to the proposed changes and worked with staff for better and safer developments.

As to the accusation of NIMBY (not in my backyard): Poppycock. Daybreak Ridge's 517 lots and Legacy Addition's 461 lots previously mentioned are both in District 1 and are within a mile from Betenbough's proposed subdivision. All three are off Highway 349 in north Midland. To be clear, what part of town the housing development is located has nothing to do with why the Planning and Zoning denied the proposed subdivision. It was denied because a variance from the ordinance was needed and would need to be approved by the City Council.

Finally, I would like to address the editor's comment about not letting proximity to oil wells stop or even slow down a housing development. I cannot think of a single incident where a surface developer has been denied a variance to the distance rule from oil wells. We do, however, require the surface developer and the sub-surface developer to have an agreement in place so that it is clear what is expected from each party involved to reduce potential disagreements between the parties in the future. Once the agreement has been in place, the City Council has been able to approve variances to the distance from an oil well rule, and I expect that to be done before the City Council rules on the Betenbough project.

As you can see, one development does not make or break the housing problem that Midland has experienced. There are several developments that are ongoing, and I expect to see an easing in the shortage this year. The City Council can approve developments much faster than they can physically be constructed. Therefore, we as council members must be mindful of the overall needs of our community now and in the future and try to manage those issues to the best of our ability.

I appreciate the Reporter-Telegram's editor for bringing attention to the concerns that he penned last week. I hope that I have adequately addressed those concerns.

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Associated Press

Almond farmer Michael Fondse, 27, talks Thursday about the problem of theft at Fondse Brothers Inc., his family orchard and processing plant in Ripon, Calif. While neighboring farms have lost nuts by the ton, thieves have stolen from him fuel, machine parts, truck batteries and copper wire. To combat crime, they've installed fences, lights and surveillance cameras.

TO CATCH A THIEF

Nut farmers band together to fight heists

Associated Press

ESCALON, Calif. — The soaring value of California's nut crops is attracting a new breed of thieves who have been making off with the pricey commodities by the truckload, recalling images of cattle rustlers of bygone days.

This harvest season in the Central Valley, thieves cut through a fence and hauled off $400,000 in walnuts. An additional $100,000 in almonds was stolen by a driver with a fake license. And $100,000 in pistachios was taken by a big rig driver who left a farm without filling out any paperwork.

Investigators suspect low-level organized crime may have a hand in cases, while some pilfered nuts are ending up in Los Angeles for resale at farmers markets or disappear into the black market.

Domestic demand for specialty foods and an expanding Asian market for them have prompted a nut orchard boom in the state's agricultural heartland. Such heists have become so common that an industry taskforce recently formed to devise ways to thwart thieves.

"The Wild West is alive and well in certain aspects," said Danielle Oliver, of the California Farm Bureau. "There's always someone out there trying to make a quick dollar on somebody else's hard work."

Amid the nut boom, farmers have torn out vineyards and other crops to plant nut trees to keep up with demand. Real estate firms, retirement funds and insurance companies have taken note by adding almonds, walnut and pistachio land to diversify their portfolios.

As the nation's top nut producer, the state grows more almonds and pistachios than any other country. Only China produces more walnuts, which have nearly tripled in price in the last five years to about $2 a pound, according to the California Walnut Board.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture reported that through 2012 the state's almond crop was valued at $5 billion per year, pistachios were over $1 billion and walnuts were over $1.5 billion.

"Right now, everybody wants to be a nut grower because it's kind of like the gold rush of the 1850s," said Ripon almond farmer Kevin Fondse of Fondse Brothers Inc. "Everybody wants the gold."

That frenzy has spawned crime. In a brazen heist in October, thieves made off with 140,000 pounds of processed walnuts from GoldRiver Orchards. The thief cut through wooden fence posts in the dead of night, hooked up a truck to three gondola trailers brimming with nuts and drove off.

In another incident, unemployed trucker Francisco Javier Lopez Martinez told investigators he couldn't pass up a job paying $180, despite his suspicions. He was hired in October by a man who gave him a fraudulent driver's license and told him to pick up 43,000 pounds of almonds at Sunnygem, a processing plant.

A transportation broker tipped sheriff's deputies that something seemed amiss. They arrested Martinez, who told them he was supposed to drive the load to a specified address in Los Angeles, park it and walk away.

The trucking firm that hired him turned out to be a fake. The company's logo was merely taped onto the side of the truck, and it had stolen license plates. Martinez pleaded guilty in December to commercial burglary and possession of fake identification. He was sentenced to 350 days in jail and three years of probation.

Authorities say this type of industrial identity theft, known as a "fictitious pickup," is becoming more sophisticated. It often involves con artists providing fabricated insurance documents and U.S. Department of Transportation numbers for trucks.

The driver presents the paperwork to the unsuspecting nut processor.

A walnut farmer suspected he had fallen victim to such a crime in March after a $250,000 load left his yard, so he called Detectives Pat McNelis and Matt Calkins at the Butte County sheriff's department. The detectives traced phone records to Los Angeles, where police there served search warrants and seized evidence. The investigation continues, detectives said.

Pentagon likely to seek new round of base closings, consolidation

Hearst Newspapers

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon is preparing to ask Congress for a new round of military base closings and realignments that could impact San Antonio, prompting elected officials to urge Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel to first look overseas for savings.

Rep. Henry Cuellar, D-Laredo, said Friday that the federal budget squeeze makes it "increasingly likely" the Pentagon will request authority for a new round of base closings, including changes that could impact Texas, where more than 250,000 military and civilian defense personnel account for nearly $149 billion in annual economic activity.

In San Antonio alone, local military installations support nearly 300,000 direct and indirect jobs, contributing more than $46 billion to the economy annually, Cuellar said. San Antonio is home to Fort Sam Houston, Lackland Air Force Base, Randolph Air Force Base, Brooks City-Base, Camp Bullis and Camp Stanley.

Cuellar authored recently passed legislation requiring the Pentagon to conduct "a comprehensive inventory" of overseas U.S. bases.

Rep. Joaquin Castro, R-San Antonio, who helped orchestrate a bipartisan lobbying campaign last year to protect installations in "Military City USA," says he is prepared to press the case again as the Pentagon weighs creation of a new Base Realignment and Closure Commission.

"I believe the department of defense should assess overseas bases first to avoid the unnecessary closure of U.S. domestic bases," Cuellar said Friday. Castro also vowed to keep pressure on the Pentagon to look overseas for cuts first.

Congress has approved five rounds of base closings since 1988 that have shut down more than 350 U.S. bases worldwide to reap savings of at least $33 billion. But Congress rejected the Obama administration's last two requests for a sixth round of base closings after changes mapped out in 2005 cost an estimated $35 billion to achieve barely $10 billion in immediate savings.

Although Kelly Air Force Base and Brooks Air Force Base fell to earlier BRACs, the 2005 BRAC was ultimately a huge boon to San Antonio, greatly expanding Fort Sam Houston.

Houston-area lawmakers have already seized upon the cost savings argument in their uphill bid to persuade the Pentagon to move U.S. Africa Command from Germany to Houston's Ellington Field.

The payoffs for Houston could be enormous: enhanced international prestige, an estimated 4,300 civilian and military jobs and up to $450 million pumped into the local economy.

But the challenges are immense, from questions over the distance between Houston and Africa to lobbying for rival locations in Florida, South Carolina and Virginia by members of the powerful armed services committees in the House and Senate.

Texas' greatest leverage may come from Rep. Mac Thornberry, R-Clarendon, expected to take over chairmanship of the GOP-led House Armed Services Committee next year, and Sen. John Cornyn, R-Texas, the second-ranking Republican in the Senate leadership.

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Surgeon general adds to list of smoking's harms

By Lauran Neergaard
Associated Press

AP file photo

Surgeon General Luther Terry testifies April 9, 1965, on Capitol Hill before the House Commerce Committee hearing on proposed labeling of cigarette packages. It's no secret that smoking causes lung cancer. But what about diabetes, rheumatoid arthritis and erectile dysfunction? Fifty years into the war on smoking, scientists still are adding diseases to the long list of cigarettes' harms — even as the government struggles to get more people to kick the habit. A new report from the U.S. Surgeon General's office said the nation is at a crossroads, celebrating decades of progress against the chief preventable killer but not yet poised to finish the job.

Health issues

In a report to the nation, the acting surgeon general, Dr. Boris D. Lushniak, significantly expanded the list of illnesses that cigarette smoking has been scientifically proved to cause.

The other health problems the report names, are vision loss, tuberculosis, rheumatoid arthritis, impaired immune function and cleft palates in children of women who smoke.

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"The real emphasis needs to be put on the fact that we still have a major and tragic catastrophe going on," said acting Surgeon General Boris Lushniak.

The report, released Friday, is a dash of cold water after last week's headlines marking the 50th anniversary of the landmark 1964 surgeon general's report that launched the anti-smoking movement. Yes, far fewer Americans smoke today — about 18 percent of adults, down from more than 42 percent in 1964.

But the government may not meet its goal of dropping that rate to 12 percent by 2020, the new report cautioned.

Nearly half a million people will die from smoking-related diseases this year. Each day, more than 3,200 youths smoke their first cigarette. New products such as e-cigarettes, with effects that aren't yet understood, complicate public health messages. And if current trends continue unabated, 5.6 million of today's children and teens will go on to die prematurely during adulthood because of smoking, the report found.

Remarkably, the report adds more entries to the official list of smoking-caused diseases, including Type 2 diabetes, rheumatoid arthritis, erectile dysfunction, the macular degeneration that can blind older adults, two additional cancers — liver and colorectal — and cleft palate birth defects.

"Enough is enough," said Lushniak. He urged new resolve to end smoking by increasing use of proven tobacco-control measures, including price increases for cigarettes and expanding comprehensive indoor-smoking bans that he said currently cover about half the population.

The report also encourages research into newer ideas, such as whether lowering the amount of addictive nicotine in cigarettes would help people quit.

Here are some ways the smoking landscape has changed between the 1964 surgeon general's report and Friday's:

1964: The surgeon general declares that cigarette smoking increases deaths.

2014: About 20.8 million people in the U.S. have died from smoking-related diseases since then, a toll the report puts at 10 times the number of Americans who have died in all of the nation's wars combined. Most were smokers or former smokers, but nearly 2.5 million died from heart disease or lung cancer caused by secondhand smoke.

1964: Heavy smoking is declared the main cause of lung cancer, at least in men. "The data for women, though less extensive, point in the same direction."

2014: Today, lung cancer is the top cancer killer, and women who smoke have about the same risk of dying from it as men. As smoking has declined, rates of new lung cancer diagnoses are declining nearly 3 percent a year among men and about 1 percent a year among women.

1964: Male smokers were dying of heart disease more than nonsmokers, but the surgeon general stopped short of declaring cigarettes a cause of heart disease.

2014: Today, heart disease actually claims more lives of smokers 35 and older than lung cancer does. Likewise, secondhand smoke is riskier for your heart. Smoke-free laws have been linked to reductions in heart attacks. Friday's surgeon general report also found that secondhand smoke increases the risk of a stroke.

1964: Smoking in pregnancy results in low-birth-weight babies.

2014: Friday's report said 100,000 of the smoking-caused deaths over the past 20 years were babies who died of sudden infant death syndrome, or SIDS, or complications from prematurity, low birth weight or other conditions related to parents' smoking. And it adds cleft palate birth defects to that list of smoking risks to babies.

1964: The more you smoke, the bigger the risk of death.

2014: Smokers are estimated to shorten their life by more than a decade. But stopping can lower that risk; sooner is better.

1964: That first report focused mostly on lung effects and couldn't prove whether certain other illnesses were caused by smoking.

2014: Doctors now know that smoking impacts nearly every organ of the body, and Friday's report said medical care for smoking-caused illnesses is costing the country more than $130 billion a year. Add to that lost productivity of more than $150 billion a year.

1964: Cigarettes were the major concern. "The habitual use of tobacco is related primarily to psychological and social drives, reinforced and perpetuated by pharmacological (drug) actions of nicotine."

2014: "The tobacco industry continues to introduce and market new products that establish and maintain nicotine addiction," Friday's report said. The percentage of middle and high school students who use electronic or e-cigarettes more than doubled between 2011 and 2012.

1964: That first report called for "remedial actions" to reduce smoking. Warning labels on cigarette packaging started appearing a year later.

2014: With warnings now everywhere, Friday's report said, "We know that increasing the cost of cigarettes is one of the most powerful interventions we can make." In 2012, the average price of a pack of cigarettes was $6, largely reflecting an increase in state and federal taxes. For every 10 percent increase in the price, there's a 4 percent drop in smoking.

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Pot backers cheer for a Seattle-Denver Super Bowl

By Rob Hotakainen
McClatchy-Tribune

WASHINGTON — If oddsmakers are correct, the Seattle Seahawks and Denver Broncos will win Sunday's National Football League conference championship games, advancing to a truly historic Super Bowl on Feb. 2:

The Marijuana Bowl? A return of the Bud Bowl?

The teams represent the biggest cities in Colorado and Washington, the only states that have legalized the sale of recreational marijuana.

Shortly after those voters made their decisions in November 2012, travel guide Arthur Frommer said both cities should brace for "torrent of new tourism." Now the two cities might face off in one of the world's biggest sporting extravaganzas, giving the media a fresh story hook for the next two weeks.

Pot backers are tickled.

"It's something that those of us in the movement have had an eye on for a long time," said Steve Fox, who works for a marijuana-industry law firm in Denver.

If the matchup does materialize, said Allen St. Pierre, the executive director of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws, it will feature "the two most pro-cannabis-legalization cities in the U.S." He jokingly suggested that the game be renamed "The Super Oobie Doobie Bowl."

There is a more serious side to all this.

Since Jan. 1, when Colorado opened its retail pot shops, it's been legal to purchase and use the drug, at least under state law. But it's still illegal for NFL players who live in the state to use marijuana because it's banned under the league's collective bargaining agreement. That will be true in Washington, as well, when the state opens its own shops this spring.

Lobbyists are pushing the NFL to stop punishing players who fail drug tests for smoking pot, saying the drug could help them deal with concussions and other injuries.

And they want to call attention to the league's cozy relationship with the alcohol industry: Anheuser-Busch, for example, pitches its Bud Light as the "proud sponsor of the NFL" and once aired ads showing Budweiser and Bud Light beer bottles competing in a halftime "Bud Bowl" football game.

"Hopefully there will be a break in the beer commercials for some discussion about marijuana laws," said Mason Tvert, spokesman for the pro-legalization Marijuana Policy Project in Denver.

In September, the organization put up a 48-foot-wide billboard next to Denver's Sports Authority Field at Mile High, urging the NFL to "stop driving players to drink" and saying that pot represented "a safer choice" for the athletes. And the group launched a petition to pressure NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell to change the league's marijuana policy.

Fox pointed out that the Broncos and Seahawks both lost key players this season for violating the NFL drug policy, reportedly because of marijuana use.

He said the NFL should follow the National Hockey League, which tests only for performance-enhancing drugs.

And he noted that the World Anti-Doping Agency responded to more lax drug laws in many countries last summer by loosening the marijuana standard for Olympic athletes.

Goodell caused a stir last week during an interview with ESPN.com when he left open the possibility of the league allowing players to use medical marijuana in the future.

With the commissioner even talking about marijuana during the playoffs, St. Pierre said the public could expect to hear plenty about pot in the next two weeks, even if Seattle and Denver don't win their games.

"I think there will be more references to pot going into the Super Bowl week media hype than any previous NFL game in history," he said.

Comedian Jay Leno jumped in Tuesday night during his monologue on NBC's "The Tonight Show," saying a Denver-Seattle matchup would give "a whole new meaning to the term Super Bowl."

Fox and Tvert boasted that even the visiting teams in Sunday's games — the San Francisco 49ers will travel to Seattle, while the New England Patriots go to Denver — represent regions of the country where marijuana use is allowed for medical purposes.

"It won't be long before it's unique to have two teams in the Super Bowl that haven't made marijuana legal," Tvert said.

For this year, at least, it's been a tough season for NFL teams from states where all pot use is outlawed.

Among the losers in the playoffs this month: the Carolina Panthers, Indianapolis Colts, Kansas City Chiefs, Green Bay Packers, Philadelphia Eagles, New Orleans Saints and Cincinnati Bengals.

"If you noticed, the more marijuana-friendly localities really kicked butt," Fox said. "I don't know what it really means in the grand scheme of things, but it's a nice bit of karma if nothing else."

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Latest in pot debate: Cities can ban businesses

Associated Press

Recreational marijuana is legal in Colorado and Washington, but debates over the drug are far from over. Here's an updated look at issues emerging in the states where the drug is already legal without a doctor's recommendation:

Cities can ban pot

The attorney general in Washington state said cities and counties can block licensed marijuana businesses from operating within their borders. Attorney General Bob Ferguson determined that the state's voter-approved measure legalizing recreational marijuana allows local governments to adopt rules that are more strict than those set out in the law — up to and including outright bans. In Colorado, the law expressly allows local governments to adopt bans. Large swaths of the state have opted out of the legal-pot regime, including Colorado Springs, the state's second-largest city.

Religious group weighs in: medical vs. recreational

The leader of Colorado-based Focus on the Family said while there are legitimate medical benefits to be derived from marijuana, using it for recreation goes too far. In a posting on the Internet, the president of the influential national religious organization compared recreational marijuana use with warnings in the Bible against getting drunk.

Food stamps for pot

Internet rumors of people using food stamps to buy edible pot in Colorado appear to be urban legends. That's why a Colorado Senate committee this week rejected a bill to add marijuana dispensaries to liquor stores, gun shops and casinos as places where recipients of public assistance payments and food stamps can't use their electronic benefits cards to access cash. Lawmakers said there's no evidence of such fraud and that ATMs are already hard to find in economically depressed neighborhoods.

More weed for more people

A group of marijuana activists want another pot vote in Colorado to loosen restrictions on who can have it. A proposed ballot measure cleared for ballots Wednesday would effectively discard Colorado's 1-ounce possession limit and 21-and-over restriction. A similar pot possession measure has been proposed before in Colorado, and failed to get enough signatures to make ballots. There's little reason to expect more success for the 2014 version of the legalize-for-all proposal.

Sick people fear pricey pot

Another group of pot activists — long-time users with medical permission to use the drug — are also unhappy. A patient-advocacy group has written to lawmakers requesting the creation of a "Cannabis Patient Fund" to provide subsidies for some 120,000 Coloradans on a list of approved medical pot users. The group is alarmed by escalating pot prices, which aren't regulated by the state and have more than doubled in retail shops since Jan. 1, when recreational sales began. So far, the group hasn't found any lawmakers willing to sponsor its idea.

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Tremors raise questions about oil, gas drilling

Small earthquakes near North Texas farming community cause grave concerns

By James Osborne
Dallas Morning News

AZLE — For 48 days, the ground shook like clockwork.

When the first tremor hit the evening of Nov. 5, 65-year-old Jerry Parker thought it was someone banging on the door. No one in Azle could remember ever feeling earthquakes. But by Dec. 23, when a 3.3-magnitude tremor shook the Christmas lights dotting the surrounding countryside, the count was up to 30.

The mysterious series of small earthquakes in the Barnett Shale, one of the largest natural gas fields in the country, has mirrored events in other drilling areas including Arkansas and Oklahoma. As scientists look for answers, the farming community around Azle has quickly found itself at the center of a national debate over the dangers of disposing of drilling wastewater thousands of feet underground.

The Texas Railroad Commission, which oversees the state's oil and gas industries, is in discussions with geologists at the University of Texas to study the phenomena. And last week the commission announced it was hiring its own in-house seismologist after a meeting in Azle drew hundreds of residents to the high school auditorium.

There have been no earthquakes reported by the U.S. Geological Survey since Dec. 23. But Julie Hutcheson, a local hairdresser whose home lies close to the epicenter of a number of the recent earthquakes, said concern persisted about whether they might return, and stronger than before.

"Everybody's talking about it," she said. "I had a guy from Devon Energy in the other day. And he was saying how it was nothing to do with the gas industry, and they only had two disposal wells in the county. And then there was another customer fighting with him, saying she'd looked it up and there were 5,000. I was like, 'Children.'"

For decades, scientists have connected earthquake activity to disposal wells used by drilling companies to store the large volumes of saltwater and drilling fluids that come out of the ground along with oil and natural gas. The wells can reach more than 10,000 feet underground, crossing through rock and sometimes active fault lines.

In 1968, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers triggered a series of earthquakes by pumping wastewater into a disposal well outside Denver. But there are tens of thousands of injection wells around the country and only a handful of definitive findings. And the exact dangers of injection wells remain a subject of debate, said Steve Horton, a seismologist at the University of Memphis Center for Earthquake Research and Information.

Horton studied a series of earthquakes close to gas-drilling operations in central Arkansas that began in 2009. He found many of the tremors stemmed from three injection wells drilled into a previously unknown fault line. But others were the result of natural fault activity, he concluded.

"In my paper there was very strong evidence, but that's not always the case," Horton said. "It's not entirely clear to me what's happening in Oklahoma and Texas."

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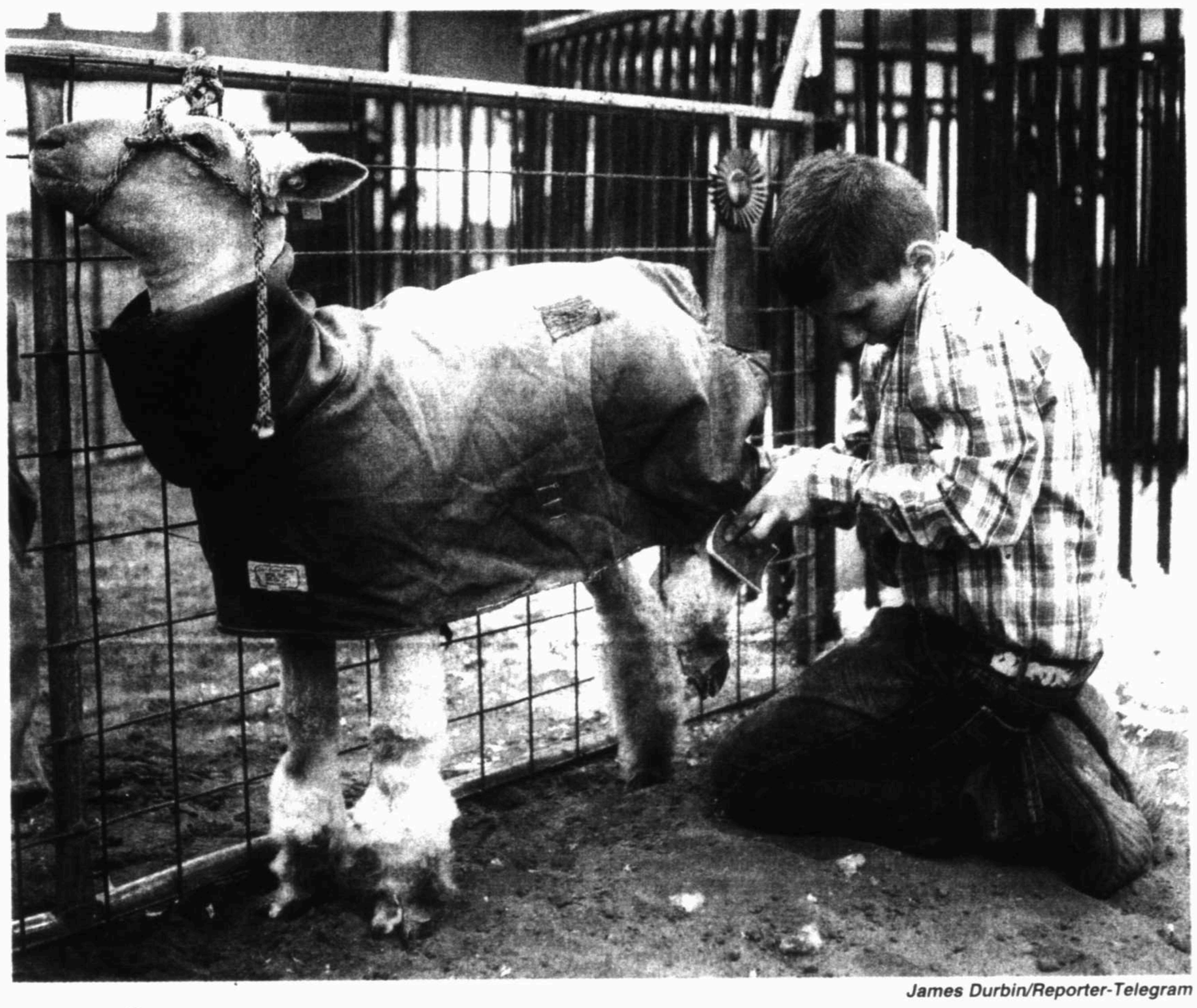
Sheep in the Tall City



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A sheep is prepared for the Midland County Livestock Show on Saturday at Horseshoe Arena. For more photos of the Livestock Show, check out Page 6B.

It should be easier to find space in the garage

Terry Williamson
Real life columnist

I think it's a scientific fact that no matter how big your house is, you will fill it up with stuff you rarely use.

You will run out of space, regardless of your square footage, long before you run out of junk.

I think we all love junk. At least I know the wife loves junk. She can't throw anything away.

At least she comes by it honestly. My mother-in-law, who is now gone from us, never threw anything away.

The wife is simply carrying on the tradition. My mother-in-law would not even throw away the ties that come on loaves of bread. She always had a great excuse for everything that didn't go in the trash. "I just might need that someday."

After all, she grew up during the Depression, when people didn't have many possessions. It was hard to give up your hard-earned treasures.

Many of you may not be able to relate to that mentality, including my departed mother. My mom threw everything away — even my extensive baseball card collection and my pristine Mickey Mantle rookie card.

I grew up being afraid of going to school because that might be the day Mom decided to clean my room. Between my mother and younger brother, the word "gone" was in regular usage in the home of my youth. If Mom hadn't thrown it away, it was probably lost by my younger brother. His name isn't Dennis for nothing.

Well, I digress. Most of us think about throwing things away, but we never really get around to it. Meanwhile, we get covered up by junk before we even know it. First, every room in the house seems cluttered. When you buy something new, you spend hours finding room for it. Second, you lose a space in the garage to store your items. Soon you are buying storage sheds to clutter your backyard space just to store junk.

I've also been known to complain about some of the neighbors on my block because they pile their junk in the alley. But at the same time, I'm jealous of them because they have room in their garage for two cars.

It's also a hassle to throw away things. That means dedicating hours of time cleaning and moving heavy items. It also means hauling it off.

If that's not work, I don't know what is. I'm retired now, and I really didn't sign up for a lot more work.

Also, I don't own a pickup. Hauling away items is much easier for someone who owns a pickup. It's pretty hard hauling off an old recliner in a Honda. And just forget that old refrigerator. It'll stay in the garage, and the Honda will stay outside.

But the biggest obstacle to getting rid of junk lies at the feet of the wife. I've found over the years that the wife's definition of junk is not quite the same as mine. In fact, she has no definition of junk at all. There is no such thing as

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Ryder Warren
MISD Superintendent

Implementation of HB5 will pose challenges for districts

I hope everyone had a wonderful (and very safe) Christmas holiday. It is very good to be back in school, and I am proud of the efforts I've seen for the past couple of weeks from our kids and our faculty members as we get into our spring semester. As busy as we are in the fall, no one has time to breathe in the spring because of all the activities we have going on. However, I know our students and our staff are up to these challenges. We are geared up to have a very successful spring semester.

Speaking of success, I want to start my article this week by highlighting the efforts of our students. We had an incredibly successful start to the 2013-14 school year, and our kids and staff members deserve much praise for this fact.

Let me share with you a glimpse of the efforts I'm talking about at just our high school level.

In our MISD Fine Arts Program:

- 40 students qualified for All-Region Choir,
- 20 students qualified for Pre-Area Choir,
- nine students qualified for Area Choir,
- 45 students qualified for All-Region Orchestra,
- both MHS and LHS marching bands earned a 1st Division at the annual UIL Marching Contest,
- 56 students qualified for All-Region Band,
- 49 students qualified for Pre-Area Band and
- nine students qualified in individual events to the International Thespian Festival at the University of Nebraska.

In our MISD Athletics Program:

- 39 students earned either first-team, second-team or honorable mention all-district honors in volleyball and football,
- the LHS football team won district and bi-district championships,
- the MHS volleyball team earned a berth to 5A volleyball playoffs and
- the MHS boys cross country team qualified for regional meet.

These examples are only a few shining stars we have in the district. We had so many more students earning individual and team accolades. From our elementary schools to our junior highs and through our high schools, I cannot be more proud of our students' efforts. And also remember — behind all of these successes, we had dedicated staff members who spent hundreds of hours with these students to assure this high level of success. I am also very proud of our MISD staff.

Along with the goal of building on these successes during our spring

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Obituaries

Anna Gale Biggs

Anna Gale Biggs, 93, of Granbury, Texas passed away Tuesday, January 14, 2014. Mrs. Biggs was born May 16, 1920 in Danville, Arkansas. She is preceded in death by her husband of 34 years, 4 sisters and 2 brothers. Graveside services will be held by the family at Wetumka, Oklahoma.

She was married in 1940 to Murl Biggs. They lived on a farm outside of Wetumka, Oklahoma before moving to Texas in the late 40's where she worked as a nurse.

She was the last survivor of 7 children who grew up on a farm in southern Oklahoma to parents who taught school. She moved from Oklahoma in 1994 to Midland, Texas to be closer to her sons. She is survived by two sons, Ronnie Biggs of Powderly, Texas and Gary Biggs of Granbury, Texas; 5 grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren.

Beverly Gail Adams Martin

Beverly Gail Adams Martin passed from this life on Friday, January 17, 2014. Beverly was surrounded by her family when she ended her heroic two and one-half year battle with brain cancer; she was 61.

Beverly was born January 26, 1952, in Midland, Texas. She was the second daughter born to William D. Adams and Melba Nadine Thompson Adams. She was raised in Midland and, after high school, attended Texas Tech University where she received a Bachelor's Degree with a child development major. Beverly, her cousin Carol, and her childhood friend Lynn, were charter members of the Clement Hall Gals; a dozen steadfast friends since their freshman year to this day.

At Tech, she also met her husband of 41 years, Jerry L. Martin. Together they raised two children in Lubbock, Midland, and Houston before settling in Austin in 1982. Beverly loved to be around children as they learned, which was evidenced by her years of working in the Dripping Springs School System, her years with the Texas Education Agency, and her years with Austin Graduate School of Theology as Registrar. Teaching children about the love of God was important to Beverly and a number of her former students, now with their own families, reminisce about the days in her fourth grade Sunday school class.

Beverly was preceded in death by her father, William D. (Slats) Adams and her mother, Melba Nadine (Dene) Adams, of Midland, Texas. Also preceding her in death were many beloved aunts, uncles, and cousins in her Adams, Thompson, and Martin families.

She is survived by her husband, Jerry L. Martin, of Austin; a son, Jeffrey Scott Martin and wife Rachel, of Dallas, Texas; a daughter, Lee Anne Martin McLeod and husband Todd of Boerne, Texas; and by her grandchildren, Ian and Meredith McLeod, Isabel and Zara Hicks, and Zachary Martin.

She is also survived by a sister, Jo Ann Ray, of Weatherford, Texas; a brother, Ron D. Adams and wife Terry, of Midland, Texas; a brother-in-law, Troy G. Martin and wife Diane, of Midland, Texas; an uncle, Billy Joe Thompson and wife Jackie, of Midland, Texas; aunts, Mary Bolton, of Midland, Texas, and Lora Thompson of Breckenridge, Texas. Beverly was loved and is survived by many cousins, nieces, nephews, and a host of friends and neighbors.

Beverly was gentle, caring, and tender in her dealings with all who knew her. She was a thoughtful friend who loved to give gifts. It was a rare occasion when a niece or nephew didn't get a birthday card (with gifts for the younger ones) from Aunt Bev. Jerry might forget to extend a happy birthday wish, but not Auntie! When the grandchildren arrived, Beverly was given the name Mama Peeps and the gift giving began in earnest. Any perceived need of one of her grandchildren was quickly met. Beverly loved her family.

And she loved the Lord's family. Beverly was a devoted Christian who sang praises to the Lord with hands held high who read and lived the scriptures all the days of her life. Now she sings that new song.

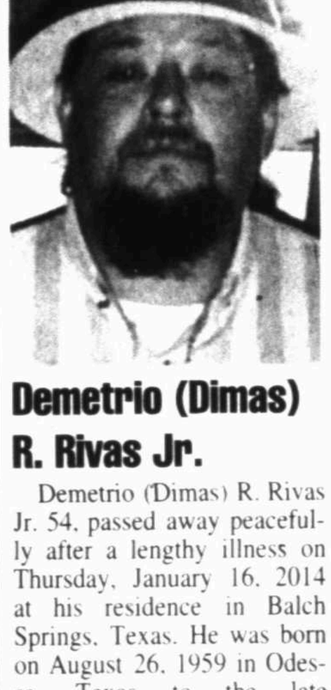
The family gratefully acknowledges the loving care and support given to Beverly and her family by Texas Oncology doctors and staff, Hospice Austin staff, and Visiting Angels staff during this time.

The family will receive visitors from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, January 19, 2014, at Cook-Walden/Forest Oaks Funeral Home, 6300 W. William Cannon Dr., Austin, Texas 78749.

A funeral celebrating Beverly's life will be held at 10:00 a.m.; Monday, January 20, 2014, at University Avenue Church of Christ, 1903 University Avenue, Austin, Texas 78705. Burial service will follow at Cook-Walden/Forest Oaks Memorial Park. The family will host a reception following the burial.

Condolences may be made online by visiting *www.cook-waldenforestoaks. com* .

Arrangements are under the care of Cook-Walden/Forest Oaks Funeral Home, 6300 W. William Cannon Drive, Austin, Texas 78749, (512) 892-1172.



Demetrio (Dimas) R. Rivas Jr.

Demetrio (Dimas) R. Rivas Jr. 54, passed away peacefully after a lengthy illness on Thursday, January 16, 2014 at his residence in Balch Springs, Texas. He was born on August 26, 1959 in Odessa, Texas to the late Demetrio M. Rivas and the late Marcela Romero Rivas. Dimas was raised and educated in Odessa, Texas.

Dimas worked as a landscaper most of his life. He enjoyed classic Tejano music, and classic trucks. He treasured the time spent with his loving nieces, nephews, and family. He loved to make everyone laugh with his great sense of humor especially his nieces and nephews whom he loved dearly.

Dimas was preceded in death by his mother, Marcela Rivas, sister; Janie Rivas and his brother; Richard Ray Rivas. He is survived by his father; Demetrio M. Rivas Sr. his two brothers, Mickey and Tony Rivas both of Midland, Texas and his three sisters; Delma R. Rivas, of Balch Springs, Texas, Olivia Villegas of Glen Heights, Texas, and Debbie Galindo of Grand Prairie, Texas and numerous uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces and cousins.

A rosary will be held Monday, January 20, 2014 at 7:00 pm at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Chapel. A funeral mass is set for Tuesday, January 21, 2014 at 10:00 am at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Resthaven North Cemetery.

Funeral service is under the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to: pipkin@nts-online.com or you can visit our website at www.lewallengarciapipkinfh.com

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Questions about death notices or online Guest Books?
Email to obits@mrt.com

Joyce Wyatt

Joyce Wyatt departed this life on January 10, 2014 in St. Petersburg FL to be with her Lord and Savior.

Joyce was born to Clyde and Stella Roach on August 9, 1929 on their ranch in Harriet. Joyce grew up on the ranch and graduated from Miles High School. She would go on to work for the Midland School District for over twenty years before retiring. Joyce was greatly loved and will be missed by her family and friends.

Mrs. Wyatt is survived by one brother Nelson Roach and his wife Carlene of San Angelo, TX; one daughter Michele Bradley and husband Bill of Camdenton, MO; and one son Michael Wyatt and wife Laurie; four grand children Marcus Wyatt, Lee Bradley, Zack Wyatt, and Rodion Wyatt; five great grandchildren Sofia Wyatt, Anabelle Wyatt, Stella Grace Wyatt, Amelia Wyatt, John Henry Wyatt.

A Visitation will be held from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. Sunday January 19, 2014 at Johnson's Funeral Home. The funeral service will be held at 11:00 A.M. Monday January 20, 2014 at Johnson's Funeral Home Chapel with burial to follow at Lawnhaven Memorial Gardens.

Family and friends can sign the online register at www.johnsons-funeralhome.com

Lona (Mize) Bradley

Lona Bradley departed this life for her heavenly home on January 17, 2014 at the age of 91. She was born on April 13, 1922 in Roscoe, Texas, the youngest of six children born to Elzy & Esther Cantwell.

On October 22, 1938 at the age of 16 Lona marrJuly 1959ied Lester Mize who proceeded her in death at the young age of 37 in July 1959. They had one daughter, Clara, and one son, L.D. Mize, Jr.

On March 8, 1963 Lona married Sam Bradley in Lamesa, Texas, where they resided until moving to Midland in 1980. Lona was lovingly called "Mam-maw" and Sam was lovingly called "Poppa Sam" by all of the Mize and Gleghorn grandchildren. Sam passed away in May, 2003.

Lona was associated with the insurance business for 17 years in Lamesa and in Midland before retiring in 1990. After retirement she became an active member of the Midland Senior Center where she worked many hours in their sewing room. She also served as a Senior Companion with Senior Services of Midland for several years often helping and transporting people who were years younger than she was. Lona was a member of the Second Baptist Church of Midland

Lona is survived by son, L.D. Mize and wife Peggy of Mt. Vernon, Texas and daughter, Clara Gleghorn and husband Royce of Midland. She is also survived by five grandsons: Don Gleghorn (Raylene) of Denton, Texas; Rusty Gleghorn (Annette) of Midland, Brad Mize, Wendell Mize and Barry Mize of Garland, Texas; Great-grandchildren Nicholas Gleghorn, Coby Gleghorn, Madison (Gleghorn) Pope, Katie Gleghorn, Lindsey Gleghorn, Weslee Mize, Braylee Mize, Kyle Mize, Shane Mize, and 8 Great-great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, January 19th from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM at Ellis Funeral Home. The funeral service will be at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel at 11:00 A.M. Monday, January 20th with Rev. Bob Porterfield presiding. Burial will be at Lamesa Memorial Park at 2:00 PM Monday. Online condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com.

Ellis Funeral Home
Funerals & Cremations
Dignity 801 Andrews Hwy. (432) 683-5535

Matilda (Tillie) Wiley Looney

Matilda Looney was born in Kewanee, Illinois on March 4, 1913 to Bertha and John Wiley. Matilda, known as Tillie graduated from Kewanee High School. She attended Augustana College 1931-33 and the University of Illinois 1933-36. She received an A.B. degree in 1935 and a B.S. in Library Sciences in 1936 from the University of Illinois. She worked as a librarian at the University of Missouri in Columbia, Missouri from 1936-48. It was there she met her future husband Hugh M. Looney. They were married on October 3, 1942 in Kansas City, Missouri.

Hugh and Tillie spent more than 60 years together with a short stay in Wichita, Kansas followed by many years in Ft. Worth, Midland and Houston. Midland was "home" to them.

Tillie was very active in the First Presbyterian Church of Midland. From 1951-1953 and 1957-1964 she was Secretary to the church pastor, Matthew Lynn. Tillie also was secretary for the Mid-Texas Presbytery in Fort Worth, Texas from 1953-57. From 1967-74 she was a librarian with the Midland Public Library.

Following retirement Tillie remained very active as a volunteer in the Presbyterian Church and at Trinity Towers in Midland. She actively supported the Friends of Midland County Public Library, the University of Illinois School of Library Science, the University of Missouri at Columbia, the AAPG Foundation Trustee Associates and the Permian Basin Geological and Geophysical Auxiliary.

Tillie was preceded in death by her husband, Hugh M. Looney.

She is survived by her nephew, J. Michael Widmier and his wife, Alice; her cousin, Mrs. Robert Heyn; and numerous other cousins and great and great-great nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be directed to the Deacon's Fund, First Presbyterian Church at 800 W. Texas, Midland, Texas 79701 or a charity of your choice.

Services will be private. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

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Phyllis Ann Scroggins

Phyllis Ann Scroggins, 71, of Big Spring, died Wednesday, January 15, 2014 in a Midland care center. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM Monday, January 20, 2014 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel with John Snider, officiating. Interment will follow at Coahoma Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM Sunday, January 19, 2014 at the funeral home.

Phyllis was born December 12, 1942 in Monahans, Texas, and married Delbert Scroggins August 20, 1961 in Coahoma, Texas. Her family owned the Lil' Sooper grocery store in Coahoma and she worked there starting in 1970. She finally retired in 2007 having also worked at the Walls Clothing Factory. Phyllis was known for her can do attitude. Anything she put her mind to, she would accomplish, like trying to grow something in the garden or restore an old pickup.

Phyllis was a very strong Christian woman who was very involved in teaching little children about the Lord, she took this very serious. Thru many trials in her life she always found the joy and carried on. Never a negative word to be said of anyone, she loved her family and friends endlessly and was incredibly blessed.

She is survived by her husband, Delbert Scroggins of Big Spring; two sons, Dennis Scroggins and wife, Stephanie, and Matt Scroggins and wife, Leslie, all of Big Spring; one daughter, Wanda Levy and husband, Kenneth of Midland; eight grandchildren; three great grandchildren; and one sister, Wanda Davis of Aurora, Colorado.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents, Luther "Bud" Anderson and Vera Dell Anderson; three brothers, Wendell Joe Anderson, Lonnie Anderson, and James "Buddy" Anderson; one sister, Linda Dell Anderson; and one grandson, Rauli Tabor Wise.

The family suggest memorials be made to the Alzheimers Association at www.alz.org

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring. Online condolences may be made at: www.npwelch.com

Sarah Steele

Sarah Jeanette Polly Steele, better known as "Janet", age 79, of Midland, Texas was born to Hugh Alexander Polly and Lois S. Bowerman Polly on December 30, 1934 in Wink, Texas. She was residing in Frisco, Texas when she was welcomed to her heavenly home on January 16, 2014.

Janet lived a rich and full life as a young girl in Kermit, enjoying skating and volleyball. She met and married her lifelong love, Orval Steele, on May 29, 1952 when she was just 17 years old. Janet fiercely defended her beliefs, including her political persuasion and was happy to debate anyone willing to engage in the topic with her. She loved being with her family, and she and Orval would regularly meet up with them for camping, cherry picking, and lazy days at her parents' Ruidoso cabin.

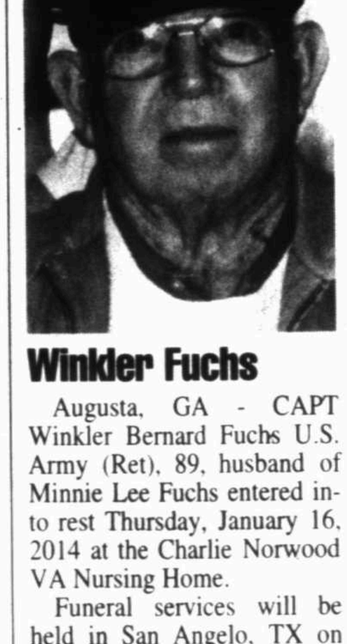
After becoming a grandmother, Janet was the go-to person for trips to the Monahans Sandhills, loving to be with the youngsters so much that she didn't mind being the only adult willing to indulge in those sandy outings. She would often dare her grandchildren to try to touch the tip of their nose with their tongue like she only could. Janet and Orval spent much of their later life helping raise their grandchildren. They lovingly devoted much of their time and energy to being positive influences, making sure all were taken care of at any sacrifice.

In her twilight years, Janet suffered from Alzheimer's disease and the memories that remained were of her young years. Her youthful joy surfaced during these last years and Janet loved to giggle and laugh and share stories about her favorite childhood adventures. Although the adult Janet was gone and she didn't recognize her visitors, the young, spirited Janet still remained and showed up in each story she chose to share.

Janet is survived by sons, Wayne Steele and wife Kathy of Tucson, Arizona and Don Allen Steele and wife Carol of Houston, Texas; grandchildren, Jason Brown and wife Rebekah of Little Elm, Texas, Ambra Collier and husband Joshua of Fort Worth, Texas, Ryan Steele and wife Janaye of Tucson, Arizona, Billy D. Dodson of Odessa, Texas, Derek Steele and wife Katie of Warrenton, Oregon; Ryan Tudyk and wife Christina of Ganado, Texas, Sabrina Cisneros and husband Blake of Houston, Texas, Sarah Steele of Houston, Texas and Zachary Steele of Denton, Texas; and great grandchildren, Kimberly Hedstrom, Kameron Brown, Jamelyn Riley, Andrew Riley, Addisyn Brown, Audriana Cisneros, Madden Cisneros, Ayden Tudyk, Addison Tudyk, Caleb Steele, Kynslie Steele, Kolsen Steele, Audrey Steele, Kaybriella Steele, Jocelyn Steele, and Korelise Steele. Janet is also survived by brothers, Hugh Allen Polly and wife Marie of Mustang, Oklahoma and Tommy Polly and wife Sharon of Artesia, New Mexico, and her sister, Judy Jarvis and husband Joe of Ruidoso, NM, and the extended families of her siblings. Janet was preceded in death by her husband Orval R. Steele, daughter Laura Steele, her parents Hugh and Lois Polly, her brother Charles Polly, and her sisters Jackie Permenter, Jerry Thomas, and Paula Polly.

A graveside service will be held at Serenity Memorial Gardens on January 20, 2014 at 2:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Alzheimer's Association are appreciated.

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



Winkler Fuchs

Augusta, GA - CAPT Winkler Bernard Fuchs U.S. Army (Ret), 89, husband of Minnie Lee Fuchs entered into rest Thursday, January 16, 2014 at the Charlie Norwood VA Nursing Home.

Funeral services will be held in San Angelo, TX on Wednesday, January 22, 2014 at 2:00 P.M., in the chapel of Johnson's Funeral Home with Deacon Stanley Lange of St. Thomas Catholic Church presiding. Burial will be at Harriett Community Cemetery on FM 1692 near Miles, TX immediately following the service.

Winkler was born in Rosebud, TX to the late Alois and Cidonia Kuhn Fuchs. He was a veteran of WWII, the Korean Conflict and Vietnam, serving in numerous roles including medic, mortuary officer, paratrooper and Special Forces. He was a lifetime member of the American Legion and a member of Central Church of Christ in Martinez, GA.

He was preceded in death by his 1st wife Elizabeth Ann Fuchs. Survivors include his children, Cherie McElligott of Vienna, VA, Winklyn Hayes and Merl Fuchs both of San Antonio, TX; grandchildren, Kelly McElligott, Sean McElligott, Casey McElligott, Brian Hayes, Timothy Hayes, Megan Adams, Gregory Fuchs, Eric Fuchs and Nikolas Fuchs; great grandchildren Aiden Kidd, Amelia Adams, Aiden Hayes and Kaylinn McElligott.

If so desired, donations in Wink's memory can made to Disabled American Veterans (DAV) PO Box 14301 Cincinnati, OH 45250 or http://www.dav.org.

Death Notices

Dorothy Redman

Dorothy Redman, 93, of Andrews passed away January 16, 2014 in Andrews.

Services are pending with Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors.

Ricky "Dino" Hall

born July 7, 1962 in Midland. He died January 16, 2014 in Midland.

A Memorial service will be Monday at 11 am at Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church.

He is survived by his mother Johnny M Hall, his brothers Mark and Raymond Hall, his sisters, Belinda Hudson, Sally Boren, and Dorothy Perkins, also three children, and he was preceded in death by 2 children.

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Questions about death notices or online Guest Books?
Email: obits@mrt.com

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Robert C. Baker, 57, of Midland, was charged Friday with violation of parole.

Guillermo Borunda Jr., 18, of Midland, was charged Friday with two counts of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram and one count of tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.

Joe L. Escobedo, 37, of Odessa, was charged Friday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.

Luis A. Garfias, 25, of Big Spring, was charged Friday with aggravated sexual assault of a child.

Ian O. Kepple, 17, of Midland, was charged Friday with criminal mischief between $1,500 and $20,000 and criminal mischief between $20,000 and $100,000.

Christopher J. Larkin, 30, of Odessa, was charged Friday with driving while intoxicated three or more times.

Isreal Magallanes, 29, of Midland, was charged Friday with aggravated sexual assault of a child.

James D. Maxwell, 53, of Midland, was charged Friday with theft between $1,500 and $20,000.

Cody L. Neatherlin, 48, of Midland, was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram, tampering with or fabricating physical evidence and theft between $1,500 and $20,000.

Edwin D. Ortiz, 18, of Midland, was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Eudocio R. Perez, 25, of Odessa, was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Jesus R. Ramos, 22, of Midland, was charged Friday with burglary of a habitation with intent to commit another felony.

Mayra M. Rey, 21, of Midland, was charged Friday with burglary of a habitation with intent to commit another felony.

Marvin L. Risper, 34, of Midland, was charged Friday with evading arrest or detention with a previous conviction and aggravated assault causing serious bodily injury.

Terry W. Ritchie, 33, of Midland, was charged Friday with indecency with a child through sexual contact and aggravated sexual assault of a child.

Jose R. Rosales Jr., 23, of Midland, was charged Friday with robbery.

Lyndsie T. Smith, 30, of Odessa, was charged Friday with violation of probation.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Crime Stoppers fugitive

ANTONIO HERNANDEZ

DOB: 4-26-1990
Height and weight: 5 feet, 3 inches; 180 pounds
Charge: Possession of Controlled Substance PG1 u/1 gram — Violation Bond

■ Wanted as of 1-18-2014
■ Warrant #F113305
■ $250 Reward to the first person who calls Midland Crime Stoppers this week with information that leads to this fugitive's arrest.
■ Call 694-TIPS or 1-800-7-LOCKUP, online at midlandcrimestoppers.com or text TIP247 plus your message to 274637
■ As always you will remain anonymous
■ NEVER attempt to apprehend this subject yourself.
Subject may be armed or dangerous.

Crime of the week

Midland Crime Stoppers and the Midland Police Department need help in identifying a theft suspect.

A man entered the Wal-Mart located at 4517 N. Midland Drive the early morning on Dec. 19. He filled a shopping cart with toys, Christmas decorations and two large flat-screen TVs. He left the store through an emergency exit without paying. He took only the TVs and left everything else in the parking lot.

The suspect is described as a black male approximately 6 feet, 2 inches and weighing about 200 pounds. He was wearing a red-and-black-striped long-sleeved collared shirt, blue jeans and a Texas Longhorns baseball cap.

Surveillance photos the suspect can be viewed at www.midlandcrimestoppers.com.

If you are the first person to provide information on this suspect and it leads to an arrest, it will be worth a $1,000 cash reward. You will remain anonymous and NO caller I.D. is ever used.

How to submit a secure tip

■ **Hotline:** 694-TIPS or 1-800-7-LOCKUP
■ **Online:** www.midlandcrimestoppers.com
■ **Text:** Text TIP247 plus your message to 274637
■ **Mobile app on iPhone or Android phones:** Download free app TIP SUBMIT
■ **Facebook:** Click 'Submit A Tip' on left side of our Facebook page

WILLIAMSON

From 1B

junk. In her world view, the word "junk" doesn't even need to be in the dictionary.

How can you compete that? Well, I suppose you could sneak some things out. But I warn you, it's not going to work. She's going to find out, and you really don't want to be around when that happens. Try never to be guilty of throwing away junk without the wife's permission. It's much better to have a one-car garage than to be caught throwing away unauthorized junk.

I wish Mom was still alive. I could get her to move in with us.

Some things would definitely disappear. On the other hand, I could get my brother, Dennis, to move in with us and let him "lose" a few things.

Nah, I'd rather keep the one-car garage setup.

Thought for the day: "Ours is a culture and a time immensely rich in trash as it is in treasures." — Ray Bradbury, "Zen in the Art of Writing."

TREMORS

From 1B

One of the questions in Texas is why now. Drilling activity in the Barnett Shale peaked in 2008 and is at its lowest level in a decade, according to the railroad commission.

Similar questions persist in Oklahoma, which has seen earthquake activity increase one hundredfold over the last three years.

In an interview this week, Scott Tinker, director of the Bureau of Economic Geology at the University of Texas, who is expected to head the state study, said it was still too early to say whether the earthquakes were the result of abundant waste-disposal wells in the area.

"There's lots of potential things that could be causing that, and anything I say would be speculation. We need to study it," he said.

In 2009, Oklahoma City-based Chesapeake Energy shut down two injection wells near Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport and Cleburne after scientists connected them to a series of small quakes in North Texas.

Other states, including Arkansas and Ohio, have pursued broader regulation, even placing a moratorium on injection wells across a large swath of Arkansas' Fayetteville Shale.

That has huge financial implications for drilling companies, which are then forced to truck out the waste fluid and find another area for disposal, said Ed Ireland, executive director of the industry-funded Barnett Shale Energy Education Council.

"There are 50,000 injection wells in Texas. And only a handful have had any seismic activity near them. To make a broad swath area where there can't be injection wells, I think would be a mistake," he said. "It's well known there are other events that have induced seismicity, including the construction of large dams and other activities."

State and local politicians have been careful not to cast blame too quickly.

That has aggravated some residents. At last week's public meeting, an aide for state Rep. Phil King was jeered after reading a statement urging patience.

But among many in town, the earthquakes have come to represent another odd quirk of country life. A recent edition of the weekly Azle News featured a masthead of off-kilter letters as if trembling in an earthquake. And at a propane dealer downtown Wednesday, customers bantered and laughed about the town's new reputation as a seismic hot spot.

"My first thought was, 'Incoming,'" Parker quipped.

Alan Lobaugh, minister at Azle Christian Church, said that while the tremors might make for interesting gossip around town, they had done little to raise anxiety. The highest recorded earthquake had a magnitude of 3.7.

"A lot of these people are farmers and ranchers. It's just one more thing to put up with," he said.

Republicans take hard line on immigration

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Texas Republicans are taking hard-line stances on immigration ahead of the March 4 primary elections to win support from the party's base, while Democrats are hoping those policies will convince more Hispanics to vote for them.

Candidates for Texas governor, lieutenant governor and attorney general responded to an Associated Press questionnaire on the subject, their answers highlighting a growing philosophical rift between Texas Republicans and the national party's more moderate policies intended to attract more minorities.

But campaign consultants say illegal immigration is a top issue for Republican voters in Texas, who want their candidates to implement tough policies, including placing state police on the border. Candidates are distancing themselves from past policies that Gov. Rick Perry once defended, such as in-state tuition for the children of immigrants in the country illegally, and taking a far more militant approach.

"I have helped appropriate almost $800 million ... including purchasing a Department of Public Safety observation plane with infra-red cameras and videos, DPS helicopters with infra-red cameras, six DPS armored gunboats for the Rio Grande River with infra-red cameras, each carrying four .30 caliber machine guns capable of firing 1,000 rounds per minute," said incumbent Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst.

On the Democratic side, gubernatorial hopeful and state Sen. Wendy Davis blames the Republican-controlled U.S. House for not approving proposed new immigration laws.

"We must continue to support current border security efforts and ensure that border law enforcement have the statutory tools and financial resources needed," she said, noting that she co-authored legislation last year to provide grants to help local prosecutors along the border crack down on drug and human trafficking.

Republican gubernatorial candidate Greg Abbott only offered limited answers supporting tougher immigration policy, citing plans to roll out a plan in a few weeks.

But GOP candidates for lieutenant governor expressly touted their views on cracking down on illegal border crossings. Houston Sen. Dan Patrick introduced legislation to forbid cities from deprioritizing immigration law enforcement.

"Law enforcement should be able to ask if a person is here illegally if they have probable cause to believe they may be," he said.

Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor Leticia Van de Putte rejected proposals to involve local law enforcement in enforcing federal law.

"Police chiefs and law enforcement officials around the state were outspoken in their collective opposition to legislation that would require them to enforce federal immigration laws," said Van de Putte, the only Hispanic running for one of the top three offices.

All the Republicans, though, supported requiring local police to enforce immigration laws. Republican attorney general candidate Ken Paxton said he supports only checking the immigration status of those arrested for other crimes. Barry Smitherman, another Republican candidate for attorney general, was alone in supporting state police-operated immigration checkpoints.

The family of Delton "George" Costlow would like to thank all of you for the outpouring of love we received after his sudden passing. Please know that your prayers, your hugs, your kind words, your cards, your gifts of food, flowers, and Lion's Club donations mean the world to us. We would like to especially thank Dennis and Laura McCampbell, Bob Teveni, Gary Reid, and all the rest of the EMS family, the members of the Belvue and Downtown congregations of the Churches of Christ, the Lion's Club members, and most especially Sally Poteet for calling the ambulance and providing comfort in his last moments.

DAILY PROMISE BROUGHT TO YOU BY

HENRY

John 14:14

You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

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An All-Volunteer Organization Reaching Out To Others
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(Leave Message)
Thrift Store: Tues., Wed., Fri., Sat. 10 am - 2 pm — Food Pantry: Mon. & Thurs. 9 am - Noon
Call 520-8900 For Pick-Up Of Donated Items — To Volunteer: 520-6265
www.helpinghandsmidland.com

Because we feel it is important that you know how and where your donations to Helping Hands are spent, here is what was done during the past two weeks:

Electricity	13 families	$ 2,311.36
Water	4 families	$ 1,191.31
Rent	40 families	$39,547.40
Transportation	4 families	$ 2,558.77
Medical	2 families	$ 551.74
Home Repairs	3 families	$ 561,64
Food Pantry		$ 816.66
Legal	3 families	$ 3,665.00
Miscellaneous	3 families	$ 142.10
TOTAL		$51,345.98

It appears that there is a never-ending line of people who approach our store, or call our helpline wanting to know why we haven't responded to their calls for help. By way of explanation, we receive over 100 calls each day (over 600 weekly). With our ambitious budget of $25,00 0 weekly to help those in need, we can still rarely help more than 30 of those families each week. Since we are obviously unable to respond to all of the calls, we do the best we can to discern needs based on what we find to be the greatest or most urgent needs. For example, being behind on an electric bill is not as bad as having no electricity at all.

Having no electricity but still having a roof over your head is better than living in a car or a tent (especially if you are a family with children). Living in a car or tent is better than having no car or tent at all, sleeping on a park bench or behind a dumpster. Believe it or not, these situations exist right here in Midland, and we deal with them every day. The majority of these cases are people who have moved to Midland for the abundance of jobs. They quickly land those jobs, however it might be two to three weeks before they get their first paycheck. In the meantime they have discovered that the cheapest motel rooms (in not the better places) cost $50 per night. They simply do not have the money. They came here on their last dime with hopes of a better future

We start always with the most devastating needs, and we also look at the histories of those coming to us for help. If a person has been helped by agencies many times in the past and does not appear to be making any attempt to better his or her situation, then we will not call them back. If a person claims that he or she cannot find work in Midland right now we will not call them back. There is virtually no unemployment in this city right now. Most of the benevolence agencies in Midland keep in close contact with each other, so if a person tries to get help through deceitful means (mainly not telling the truth), then word will get out to the other agencies and they will not be called back.

There are plenty of people out there with legitimate needs and who have the desire to get out of the financial difficulties they currently face. We will do our best to help them. We wish that we had enough money to help everyone who comes to us with a legitimate need. Even though we are an all-volunteer agency and use no money at all for salaries, our funds are still limited. We pray always that the decisions we make are the best ones. Please know that we are doing the best that we can with what you give us to work with, and we thank you for all that you do to enable us to help the poor of Midland. God bless you!

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Big dog helps teach middle-schoolers' good behavior

By Natalie Gross
Lubbock Avalance-Journal

Associated Press

Tango a 4 year old Leonberger sits at the feet of students in D'Nae Wilson's Mutt-i-grees class at Levelland Middle School on Wednesday. Wilson uses the dog to help teach the class.

LEVELLAND — It's not often one gets to take his four-legged friend to school — especially not one as big or as hairy as Tango the Leonberger.

But Tango, a 120-pound behemoth of an animal, isn't walking the halls of Levelland Middle School for show and tell. Through her calm, confident and caring temperament, she's actually teaching the students in D'Nae Wilson's classroom basic social behaviors.

Wilson calls Tango her "co-teacher" for the Mutt-i-grees class the pair began last semester. Mutt-i-grees uses children's natural affinity for animals to teach values such as loyalty and respect and also basic human skills like greeting strangers and respecting others' space.

It can also be classified as an anti-bullying class in that the overarching goal is to teach students to have empathy for others, Wilson told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal.

On Wednesday, Jan. 15, Wilson used her dog to show students how personality differences among peers should be valued and not the cause for unkindness or discrimination.

Tango's temperament was laid back, which wouldn't make her a good search and rescue dog, Wilson said. In the same way, a group of friends, classmates or co-workers needs various personalities working together to function.

As the students took a written personality assessment, Tango wandered the aisles, pausing to receive affection from outstretched hands.

Wilson said she first met Tango as a puppy when dog breeder Waltraut "Val" Zieher — a woman who brought the Leonberger breed to the U.S. with her from Germany — took Tango, now 4, to the veterinary clinic where Wilson was working. The two women bonded over their love for the breed, and Wilson soon had a part in raising some of Zieher's puppies, she said.

Zieher and Tango used to visit nursing homes and children's hospitals using animal therapy to provide companionship and comfort to the patients.

But Zieher was sick herself and frequently left town to seek cancer treatments, leaving Tango in Wilson's care. When Zieher died last year, Wilson adopted the dog as her own, adding to her already large collection of animals that includes five dogs, one cat and four horses. Tango still goes to nursing homes on Fridays when she's not at school with Wilson.

"Dogs release oxytocin, which gives off a calm vibe," Wilson said as Tango laid near her feet Wednesday. "She creates an environment more than anything."

She also acts as a facilitator for class discussions on feelings, Wilson said. Since dogs can't tell people how they feel, humans have to read their body language to find out. It's the same with some humans who are less vocal than others about the emotions they're experiencing inside them.

Wilson says last semester, a talk on what Tango was feeling led the class to think, "How are my actions making my classmate feel?"

Sixth-graders Samuel Trevino and Noah Riddle took the class last semester and decided to take it again for the lessons both said they learned from being in the class and around the big dog.

"I thought it was pretty fun. I learned to express myself out in the free world," Riddle, 11, said. He said Tango was an example to him of how to live without worries.

Trevino, also 11, took note of the fact that Tango was never sad and that trained dogs have human-like features.

Trevino said he learned to "not be as mean whenever somebody needs something. Help them out. It told me no matter what kind of personality we are, we all need to be treated the same or equal."

Another topic that comes up in the class is stereotypes, Wilson said, and she uses the curriculum's own name as an introduction. The word "mutt" often has a negative connotation, and the students have a discussion about why stereotypes are or are not OK.

In some cases, Mutt-i-grees is used as a segue into teaching children about adopting dogs, Wilson said, and she hopes to incorporate rescue animals into the classroom this semester.

Wilson said she does plan to bring three of her other dogs to class to illustrate certain points in the curriculum when appropriate.

Though Wilson said it's hard to tell if the class has had a lasting impression on students who took the course last semester, she believes there was a difference in the way her students treated one another.

"I definitely think that kids started thinking more about others than themselves," she said.

Mutt-i-grees started as a way for Wilson to combine her passion for dogs with her career as a teacher and coach.

The class is offered as an elective at the middle school during Wahoo Wednesdays — a midweek afternoon break from students' regular schedules when they can choose from several enrichment and remediation courses to attend.

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semester, MISD also faces many important challenges, one of which I would like to discuss with our community. I've discussed many times our four-point plan to improve our school district. The plan consists of the following:

- creating the culture and environment in MISD and in Midland to be able to recruit and retain the very best staff members — with an emphasis on our classroom teachers — to serve the children of Midland;
- creating educational programs of excellence that will support the efforts of our children and our educators;
- maintaining a "Midland" voice in Austin to continue to work for educational reform for all of our state's public school children; and
- creating a strategic and comprehensive facility plan that will assure our school buildings are able to serve Midland for years to come.

It is the second part of this plan — the creation of educational programs of excellence — that I would like to speak on with my article this week.

One of the most important tasks for this school year and beyond is the implementation of the newly passed education bill — House Bill 5. Many times in the past, I have done a wonderful job complaining about the decisions made by our legislative body in Texas, but in regards to HB5, our state leaders have hit a home run.

Because HB5 is such a massive law that has brought so many changes to our public schools, I want to focus on two very important parts to this bill. The first accolade to give to our legislators is the drastic reduction of the state-mandated exams in which our students have to pass to graduate from high school. Before the passage of HB5, our students, our parents and caregivers, and our educators were forced to focus on 15 different "end of course" exams in order to meet the graduation requirements of the state of Texas.

One of the main gripes I have always maintained about the Texas accountability system was that we have gone completely overboard as a state with so much focus on these state-mandated exams. Our teachers and our students have become too focused on passing these tests and not on true, joyful teaching and learning. Now, HB5 has helped us with this. To graduate from high school, all students must pass English I, English II, Algebra I, Biology and United States history.

The second part of HB5 will hopefully also have a very positive impact, not only on just our students, but on our community as a whole. This part will also bring the most challenges to our school district in order to fully implement the provisions of the bill.

Before HB5, Texas students could graduate on one of three different plans — minimum, recommended or distinguished achievement. The state tried to negate any students choosing the minimum plan, so most of the kids were on recommended or distinguished achievement. At that time, the basic assumption of our state was that every child was going to college, and the courses they were required to take in high school were for college-bound students, and many of our more career-focused courses suffered, because our students did not have room in their schedules for these classes.

During this last legislative session, the legislators heard from many parents, business leaders, and students regarding the need to individualize graduation plans for our Texas students, and HB5 gives us many more options for our students with different goals for their lives beyond high school.

In Midland, providing our students these options for graduation has become one of the most important challenges we are facing. With the passage of HB5, the three different graduation plans have been removed, and every student will graduate under the foundation program. The foundation program requires four credits of English, three credits of math, three credits of science, three credits of history, two credits of a language other than English, one credit in fine arts, one credit in physical education and five elective credits (22 total credits).

In addition to the foundation program, students can now earn one of five different graduation "endorsements" by taking one more course of math, one more course of science, and two more elective credits (for a total of 26). The endorsements include the following programs: STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics); public services; business and industry; multidisciplinary studies; and arts and humanities.

Looking at this list of endorsements, we will be able as a school district to offer much more individualized courses that fit our students' gifts and dreams. There will be many course choices under each of these endorsement categories, so students and parents will be able to truly plan out the student's degree plan through high school.

One potential program we are very excited about is the implementation of a Petroleum Academy into MISD. Our vision is that this academy would serve both the college-minded students who are on track to be our future engineers, but also our career-ready students who would be able to seek employment with our local oil and gas companies immediately after high school. And if this program is successful, we hope it to be a springboard for other college and career programs. Examples of these programs would be health care and culinary arts.

Along with all of these potential programs of excellence for our school district, HB5 also poses many challenges. The logistics of implementing the programs that HB5 will create and expanding the programs we already offer have been at the forefront as we've worked this year. One absolute necessity will be to expand the career and technology courses we offer at all of our campuses but with an emphasis at our two ninth-grade centers. The potential for our Career and Technology Program to expand is guaranteed with HB5, so we will be working closely with our staff in this program to plan accordingly.

Our two freshman schools do pose a challenge with this, because the schools are not currently staffed, nor are they fitted with facilities to offer more career and technology courses, so we will be working quickly through these issues this spring and summer to make sure all of our students will have the opportunity to choose courses they need to fulfill their chosen degree plan.

I will be updating the community on these initiatives (and others) throughout our spring semester and into the summer. The potential for positive change for our school district has never been greater, and I again thank our Legislature for the passage of HB5. I see more positives coming out of this one bill than I have seen in more than a decade for Texas public schools.

Thank you for your support of our schools and for your support of our kids. If anyone has questions concerning the issues in this article or about anything else, please do not hesitate to contact me at ryder.warren@midlandisd.net or 689-1001.

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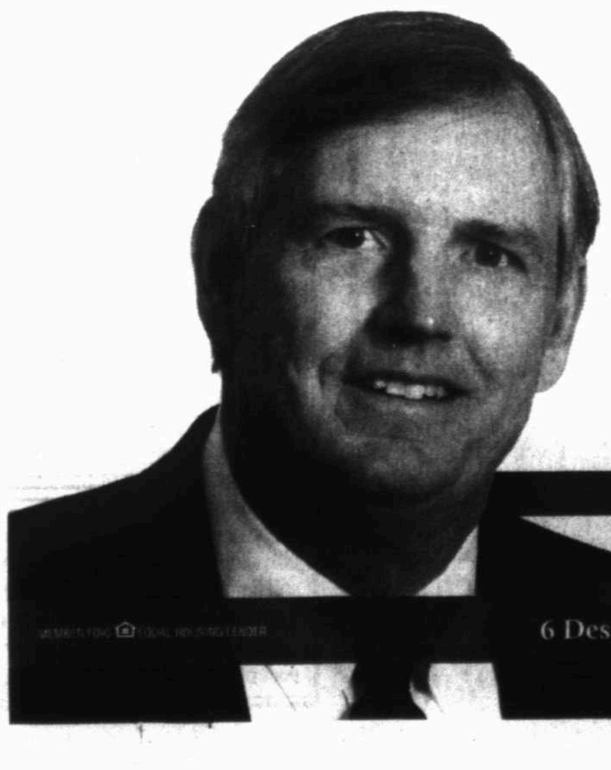

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Disabled man allowed citizenship; family denied

By Marty Toohey
Austin American-Statesman

Associated Press

Antonio Velasquez, right, sits with his sister, Nicolasa, after he was granted U.S. citizenship in his home on Jan. 8 in Austin. Antonio, who is severely disabled, is cared for by his sister, who is a non-citizen and is his court-appointed guardian and caregiver.

AUSTIN — In the little, tidy living room in a house off Stassney Lane, Nicolasa Velasquez raised the right hand of her older brother, looked immigration officials in the eye and pledged on his behalf to defend the U.S. Constitution. He is an invalid, her brother Antonio, and in such cases the law encourages a court-appointed legal guardian to handle the application for citizenship.

Even, apparently, if that is a guardian who has no legal standing within the borders of the United States.

Nicolasa Velasquez has approached federal immigration officials in San Antonio about establishing residency, but they will neither grant her request nor deport her. It is a rare situation, but one that some immigration-reform groups say is borne of a system that is enforced inconsistently across the nation, makes pseudo-citizens of millions of people who enter the country illegally and prompts politicians of both parties to call for change.

"Before his accident, my brother would say, 'This is the country of great opportunity, and everything is possible,'" Nicolasa Velasquez told the Austin American-Statesman in explaining how the family arrived here.

There are three members of the Velasquez family living in the house off Stassney Lane, two brothers and a sister. According to federal officials, they are of Mayan descent, born and raised in Guatemala. The oldest, Antonio Velasquez, 43, fled Guatemala in 1995 to escape the threat of persecution that endured in the aftermath of a Cold War-era regime led by a dictator convicted earlier this year in Guatemalan courts for the genocide of indigenous people.

Antonio Velasquez traveled by foot and bus through Mexico to Brownsville, where he was arrested. In 1997, he was granted asylum, according to federal officials.

He worked as an auto mechanic and a baker. He had a son, Juan Antonio Velasquez, now 15, as part of a relationship that ultimately failed. In October 2002, he was visited by Nicolasa and their younger brother, Jose, who was looking to improve his English after having studied environmental science at Berkshire Community College in Western Massachusetts.

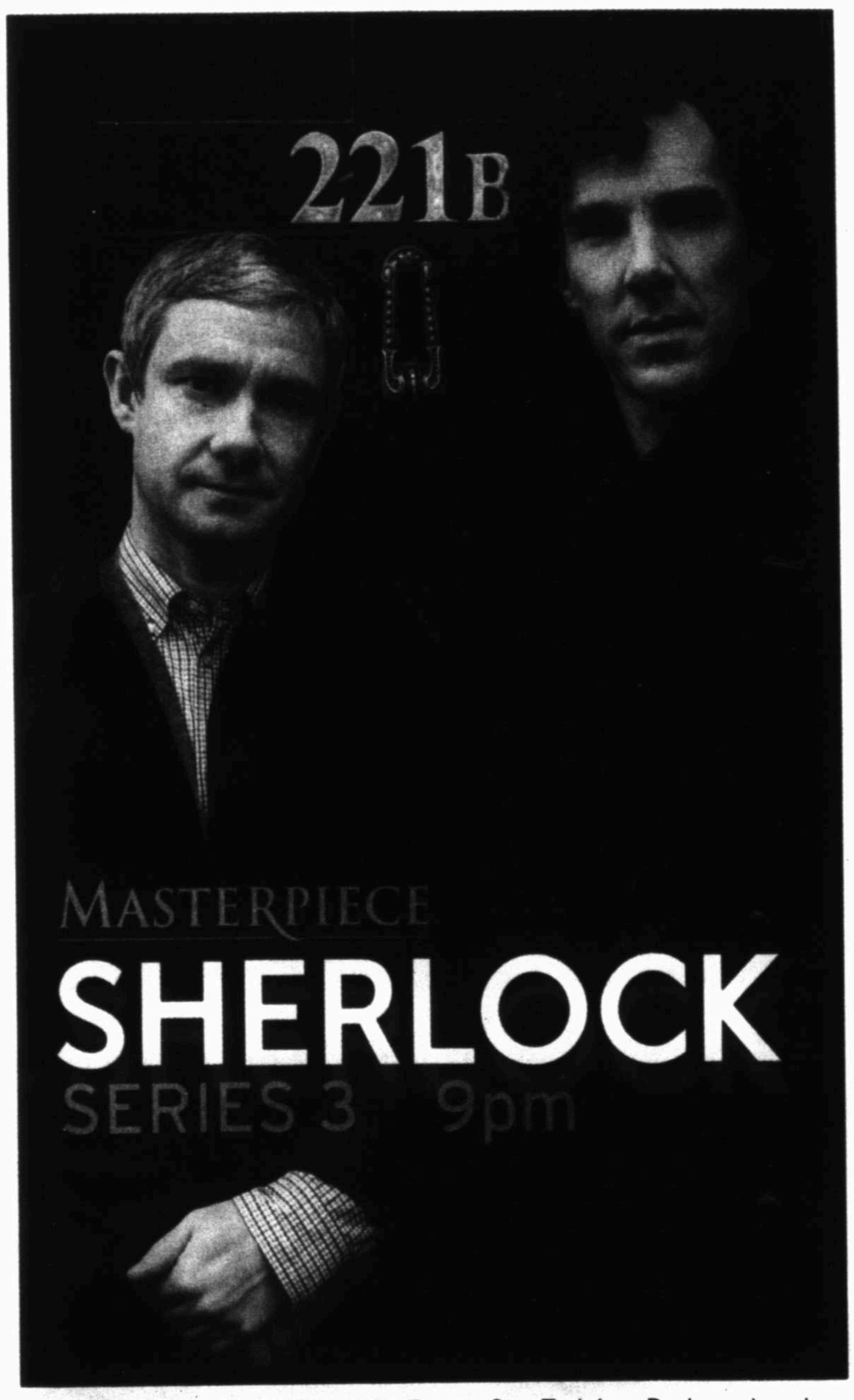
On Feb. 25, 2003, toward the end of the siblings' visit, Antonio Velasquez was working beneath a car when the jacks holding it up failed. The car fell on his chest and crushed it, causing a heart attack and severe oxygen deprivation that left him in a coma, according to medical records provided by the family's attorney. Velasquez was unconscious for 20 days. Doctors warned the siblings he might die. When he awoke, he was totally disabled, according to the medical records. He appeared unaware of the world around him.

His siblings were granted extensions to remain in the country and care for their brother. They paid for his therapy through Medicare payments, a pension from Randall's and the money they made, she cleaning houses and he selling his paintings over the Internet.

"We had to stay here for our brother," Nicolasa Velasquez said through an interpreter.

After minimal improvement, it looked as if their brother would get no better. They then carried out therapies at home that they had observed, for instance putting him on a treadmill and moving his legs for 10-minute sessions. She made double-entendre jokes in their Mayan tongue, K'iche', a language in which many words sound like English ones. She said there were plenty of ways, for example, to play on the fact that in K'iche', "kiss means, um, number two."

As the third one-year extension was running out, federal officials worried Nicolasa and Jose were not earning much if any income, she said. There was no fourth extension. They stayed anyway.



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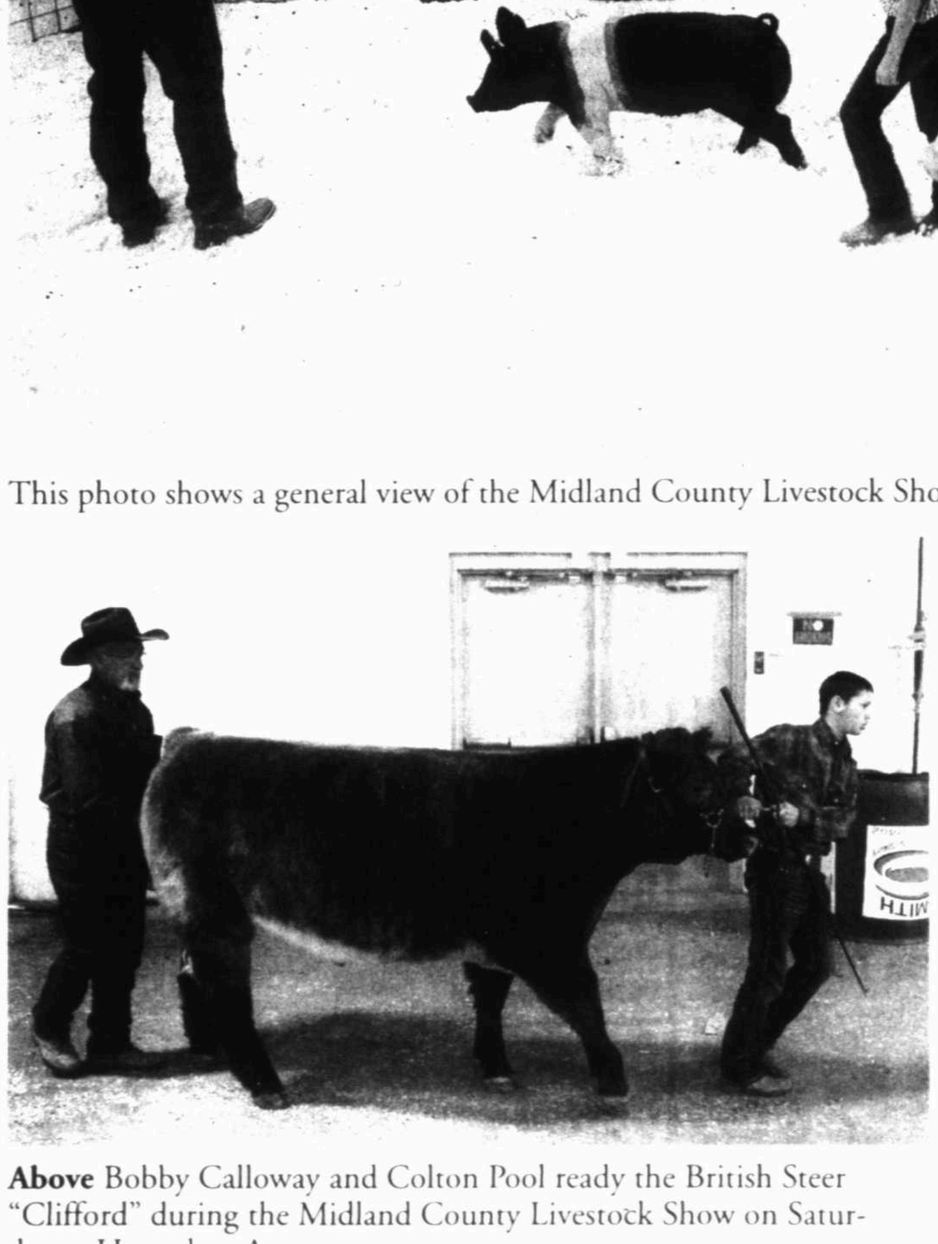
This photo shows a general view of the Midland County Livestock Show, which started on Wednesday and ran through Saturday.



Above Bobby Calloway and Colton Pool ready the British Steer "Clifford" during the Midland County Livestock Show on Saturday at Horseshoe Arena.

Right: Hillarry and Delaini Hanna, daughters of Greenwood High School football head coach Shad Hanna, show the Reserve Champion Hair Sheep during the show.

Bottom: Kenleigh Ivy shows the Reserve Champion British steer during the Midland on Saturday.

Bottom Left: Bobby Calloway readies the British steer "Clifford" during the show Saturday.

Bottom Right: The Reserve Champion British steer gets a hug during the show.

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Lifelong Journey Leads Andy Newman to UTPB

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Andy Newman was born to coach basketball.

For UTPB's first year men's basketball coach, love of the game came early in his life.

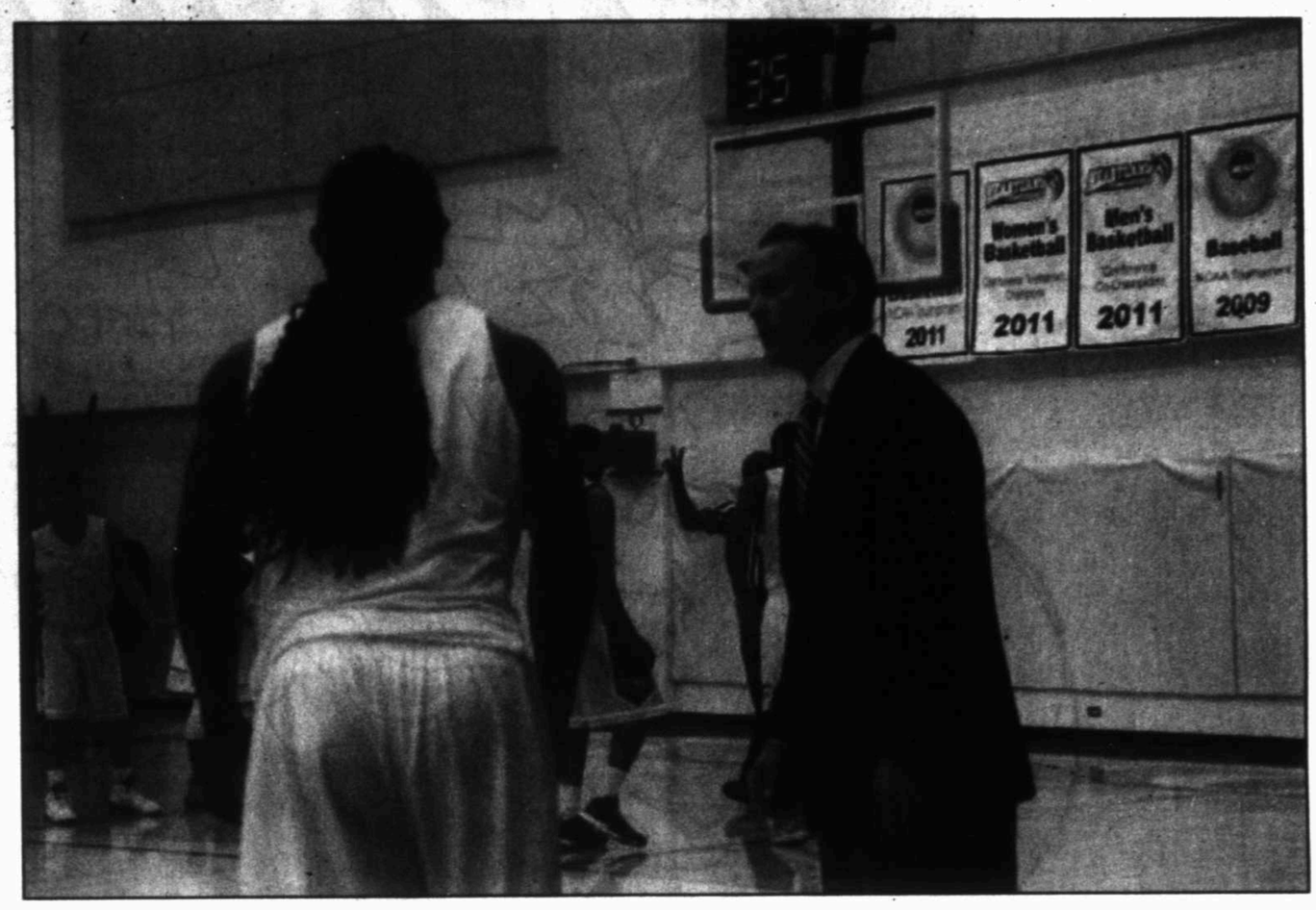
"I have always loved basketball," Newman noted. "Being from Indiana basketball was in my blood. My first basketball team, I was four years old and we played on 6 foot hoops. We could barely walk and chew gum at the same time, but I fell in love with it. I knew that that time that basketball was going to be a part of who I was."

After a four-year collegiate playing career that culminated in a record of 36-5 and a trip to the NAIA Final Four at Azusa Pacific, he put his finance degree to use, albeit for three months, until basketball came calling.

"As soon as I was done playing I got a job with Hitachi Data Systems as a financial analyst and I lasted three months before I realized I can't do this and I miss it. I took a job in August at Vanguard University in August making $1,200 for the entire year. To meet my bills I got a job opening and closing a golf course.

"A year later, a job opened up at West Valley Junior College where I played my first two seasons with my coach Bob Burton. He taught me how to be a good player, and I knew he would teach me how to be a good coach. I was at West Valley for two years when I got an opportunity to go to Fresno State to become the Director of Basketball Operations. It was my fourth year in coaching and that was my break. It was the first time I made enough money coaching to not have to take a second job."

Newman helped the Bulldogs to a Western Athletic Conference championship in his one season at Fresno State before becoming an assistant coach at Cal State-Fullerton. He spent 10 years in Fullerton, helping to transition a program that won five games in each of the two years prior to a team that went to the NIT under the new coaching staff two years in and won the Big West championship with a trip to the NCAA Tournament after five years. He took over as interim head coach at CSFU last season and had a year where anything that could happen, did.



UTPB Men's Basketball Coach Andy Newman talks with Phadarius Taylor during the Falcons game against St. Mary's

"I learned more last year than all of my years as an assistant coach," Newman said. "I was very fortunate to get that opportunity. Last year we had a lot of adversity which prepared me to be a better coach and gave me experience in handling different situations. We had injuries demolish our team and went from having early success to getting decimated in losing four starters to injury. We had to change our style of play. Coaching with an interim title and knowing that every win or loss meant so much put a lot of pressure on each game. Having my son Luke in the middle of the season added to the pressure, so it was a ton of adversity in one year, but it was the best thing to happen to me as a coach. I know I'll look back at last year as the most formative in my career."

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Holmes powers Texas over No. 8 Iowa State

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Iowa State's Matt Thomas (21) pressures Texas' Cameron Ridley (55) during the first half of Saturday's game in Austin. The Longhorns topped Iowa State, 86-76.

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

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AUSTIN — Week by week, win by win, Texas keeps gaining confidence.

And the latest, an impressive victory over No. 8 Iowa State, has the Longhorns looking like a very dangerous team in the Big 12.

Jonathan Holmes scored 23 points and Cam Ridley had 16 points and 11 rebounds as Texas overpowered the struggling Cyclones 86-76 on Saturday.

It took Texas (14-4, 3-2) nearly a month to get its first Big 12 win last season, the program's first losing season in 15 years. A 0-2 start in league play had the look of a similar dismal finish, but the Longhorns have now won three in a row.

"We feel we're as good as anybody when we put our best on the floor," Texas guard Javan Felix said.

The schedule will keep testing that with Kansas State, Baylor and Kansas in the next three games. But it's clear Texas can make trouble for any team on the right day.

"I told our guys, 'We'll see how we handle it,'" Texas coach Rick Barnes said.

Felix scored 17, including a big 3-pointer in the momentum-changing run in the second half and a layup in the final minute that helped the Longhorns protect their lead. Texas also protected the ball as well as it has all season with just eight turnovers.

The Cyclones are headed in the opposite direction after a 14-0 start. Against Texas, the Iowa State (14-3, 2-3) struggled to find scoring when 3-pointers misfired and couldn't match the physical presence of Holmes and Ridley in the second half.

Georges Niang scored 18 to lead Iowa State, which hadn't lost three in a row since the 2010-11 season.

Melvin Ejim scored 17 for the Cyclones, who went 11 of 32 on 3-pointers. DeAndre Kane, who scored at least 20 in the previous three games, scored 15 against Texas

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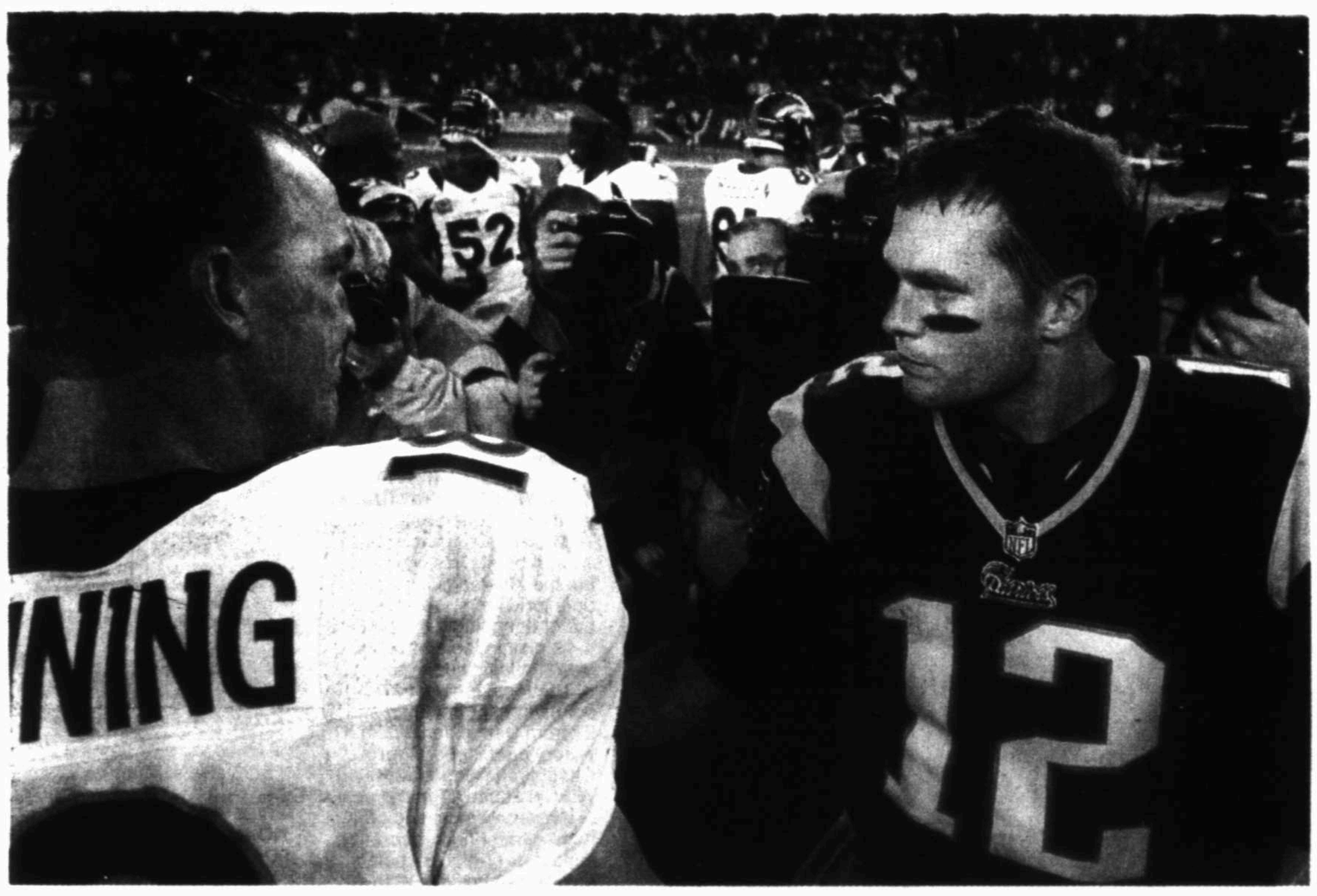
NFL PLAYOFFS

Super Bowl on the line



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Denver quarterback Peyton Manning, left, and New England quarterback Tom Brady, right, speak in the middle of the field after the Patriots beat the Broncos, 31-21, in a Oct. 7 game in Foxborough, Mass. The Patriots play the Broncos in the AFC championship game in Denver.

Brady, Manning face off once more

By Eddie Pells
Associated Press

The game

AFC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME
NEW ENGLAND AT DENVER

When: 2 p.m. today
Location: Sports Authority Field, Denver
TV: CBS

DENVER — Only one of them can be the greatest.

Peyton Manning could be the one — owner of a record four, working on five, Most Valuable Player awards, current holder of NFL single-season records for passing yardage and touchdowns and architect of a career-reviving second act, the likes of which has rarely been seen in any sport.

Tom Brady could also be that man — leader of five Super Bowl teams and winner of three titles, one-time holder of some of the records Manning holds now and author of an undefeated regular season. He also has that 10-4 record against Manning despite constant turnover on his roster and a lack of a star-studded receiving corps.

Manning and Brady will meet today for the 15th time, and the fourth time in the postseason, when the Broncos (14-3) face the Patriots (13-4) in the AFC title game.

The winner between the top two quarterbacks over an era in which quarterbacks have never been so good will get what could be the last say in the debate over who goes down as the greatest — not so much because of what the win-loss numbers will say but because this could be the last time they meet with the stakes so high.

"I don't know that there will ever be another rivalry like it, or has been a rivalry like it," said John Elway, whose own rivalry with Dan Marino was held to only three meetings because of scheduling quirks over their decade-plus careers.

The game will either give Brady a chance to match Joe Montana and Terry Bradshaw for a fourth title or afford Manning the opportunity to win a second ring, which would put him one behind Brady, and in the same company with his brother, Eli, Roger Staubach and Elway, among others. It would also make Manning the first QB to win championships with two different teams.

While paying ultimate respect to each other — "I feel like he's been a better player each year than he was the year before," Manning said — neither quarterback professes to care much about how their own head-to-head showdowns will define their legacy.

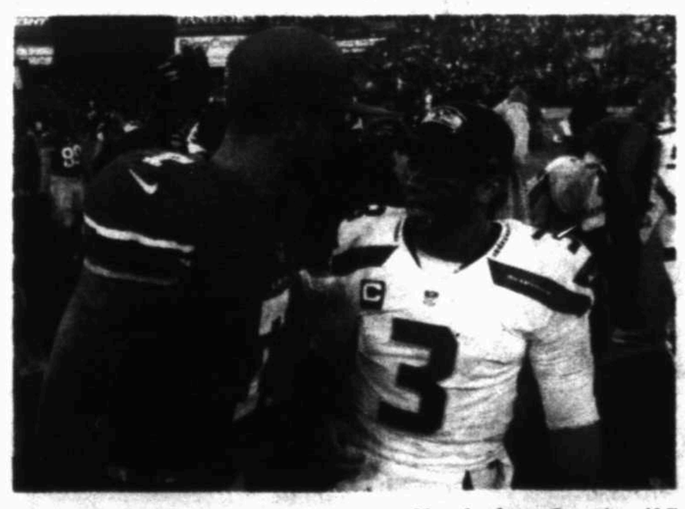
Don't believe it, says Phil Simms, who admits in retirement that the smile was a little wider after he walked off the field with a win over a Staubach or Joe Theismann.

"It's always personal, no matter what," Simms said. "It's part of being a competitor and doing what you do."

One reason Brady has a .714 win percentage in the head-to-head meetings and also holds a 2-1 advantage in the playoffs

Please see **AFC**/5C

49ers, Seahawks just belong in this game



Marcio Jose Sanchez/AP

San Francisco quarterback Colin Kaepernick, left, talks with Seattle quarterback Russell Wilson (3) after a Dec. 8 game in San Francisco. The Seahawks host the 49ers in the NFC championship today.

By Barry Wilner
Associated Press

The game

NFC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME
SAN FRANCISCO AT SEATTLE

When: 5:30 p.m. today
Location: Century Link Field, Seattle
TV: Fox

SEATTLE — From the first kickoff back in September, the 49ers and Seahawks seemed destined to meet for the NFC title.

Time to get it on.

With the conference's most physical, relentless defenses, adept at forcing turnovers and making opponents think twice about, well, just about anything, Seattle (now 14-3) won the NFC West by one game over San Francisco (now 14-4). The offenses, while not nearly as imposing, have the right elements for a champion: strong running games, efficient and sometimes dynamic quarterbacks, and staunch lines.

Their coaches have the proper pedigree, as well. Jim Harbaugh has led the 49ers to the NFC championship game in all three seasons in charge, making the Super Bowl last year. Pete Carroll had a 28-23 record in three seasons as Patriots coach, then went to the college ranks and built a powerhouse at Southern

Please see **NFC**/5C

Tony Gutierrez/AP

Portland's LaMarcus Aldridge (12) goes up for a shot as Dallas' DeJuan Blair (45) defends during the first half of Saturday's game in Dallas.

Aldridge, Blazers run past Mavs

Trail Blazers	127
Mavericks	111

Associated Press

DALLAS — The Portland Trail Blazers no longer are chasing the San Antonio Spurs in the NBA's Western Conference.

LaMarcus Aldridge had 30 points and 12 rebounds, and the Trail Blazers beat the Dallas Mavericks 127-111 on Saturday night to pull even with the Spurs at 3'-9.

The Trail Blazers have won five consecutive games, including a 109-100 victory at San Antonio on Friday.

"I was really proud of the way our team played, especially on the heels of an emotional win in San Antonio," coach Terry Stotts said. "Our resolve, defensively, I thought was very good and got us into a position to have a large lead."

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The lead reached 38 points at 111-73 with 9:43 to play. A 25-2 surge against Portland's bench brought Dallas within 15 points with 4:38 remaining before the starters returned to restore order.

The Trail Blazers, the NBA's highest-scoring team, reached 30 points in the first quarter for the 14th time in 2013-14, and 100 points in three quarters for the fourth time.

"We are just playing great basketball right now," Aldridge said. "Whenever guys guard the way they can, this team is good."

Dirk Nowitzki led Dallas with 18 points in 21 minutes.

All five Portland starters scored in double figures, and Aldridge, Robin Lopez and Damian Lillard (14 points, 10 assists) each recorded a double-double.

"The first three quarters were beyond embarrassing," Dallas coach Rick Carlisle said. "We were poor on offense, too. We weren't playing together. We weren't helping each other.

"You do that against a high-level quality team like Portland, they're going to make you pay a heavy price."

Portland outrebounded Dallas 55-30, scored 60 points in the paint and had 22 second-chance points.

Nicolas Batum shot 6 for 7 and scored 15 of his 21 points in the first quarter as the Trail Blazers opened a 35-23 lead.

"They were double-teaming LaMarcus," Batum said, "so the other four guys around him moved around to get open. We're a shooting team."

Please see **MAVERICKS**/4C

DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

WHAT'S ON TV

COLLEGE WRESTLING

Northern Iowa at Oklahoma, 2 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest Plus

FIGURE SKATING

European Championships, 3 p.m., NBC

GOLF

PGA Tour, Humana Challenge, final round, 2 p.m., TGC

Champions Tour, Mitsubishi Electric Championship, final round, 6 p.m., TGC

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Louisiana Tech at Southern Miss., Noon, Fox Sports 1

Towson at Charleston, 2:30 p.m., NBC Sports Network

NFL

Playoffs, AFC Championship, New England at Denver, 2 p.m., CBS

Playoffs, NFC Championship, San Francisco at Seattle, 5:30 p.m., Fox

NHL

Boston at Chicago, 11:30 a.m., NBC

Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 6:30 p.m., NBC Sports Network

SOCCER

Premier League, Tottenham at Swansea City, 7:25 a.m., NBC Sports Network

Premier League, Manchester United at Chelsea, 9:55 a.m., NBC Sports Network

TENNIS

Australian Open, round of 16, 8 p.m., ESPN2

Australian Open, round of 16, 2 p.m., ESPN2

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Duke at Virginia Tech, 11 a.m., Fox Sports Southwest

Texas Tech at TCU, 1 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

UConn at Rutgers, 2 p.m., ESPN2

Villanova at DePaul, 2 p.m., Fox Sports 1

Penn St. at Michigan St., 4 p.m., ESPN2

GLANTZ-CULVER LINE

NFL

FAVORITE	OPEN	Today TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Denver	6 1/2	5 1/2	(57)	New England
at Seattle	3	3 1/2	(40)	San Francisco

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

TEXAS RANGERS — Agreed to terms with LHP Rafael Perez on a minor league contract.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

NBA — Fined Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban $100,000 for confronting the game officials on the court after the conclusion of the game on Wednesday, Jan. 15.

HOUSTON ROCKETS — Recalled F Robert Covington from Rio Grande Valley (NBADL).

NBA Development League

IDAHO STAMPEDE — Acquired G Dexter Strickland from the league's player pool. Waived G Antoine Hood.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

CINCINNATI BENGALS —Named Matt Burke linebackers coach.

DETROIT LIONS — Named Ron Prince assistant head coach/tight ends coach.

NEW YORK JETS — Re-signed defensive coordinator Dennis Thurman, assistant head coach/running backs coach Anthony Lynn, defensive line coach Karl Dunbar, offensive line coach Mike Devlin and wide receivers coach Sanjay Lal. Promoted Bobby April III to linebackers coach.

TENNESSEE TITANS — Named Lou Spanos linebackers coach.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

PHILADELPHIA FLYERS — Signed G Steve Mason to a three-year contract.

American Hockey League

AHL — Suspended Adirondack F Petr Straka two games for receiving a match penalty in a Jan. 17 game against Hartford. Suspended Utica LW Darren Archibald one game for his actions in a Jan. 17 game against Albany.

SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE — Traded D Zach Miskovic to Rockford for future considerations.

ECHL

ECHL — Suspended Idaho's Andrew Conboy indefinitely pending a review and fined him an undisclosed amount for his actions in a Jan. 17 game against Utah. Fined Alaska's Brad Gorham an undisclosed amount for his actions in a Jan. 17 game against Las Vegas.

COLLEGE

CLEMSON — Signed football coach Dabo Swinney to an eight-year contract through 2021.

INDIANA — Named Rob Judson director of men's basketball operations.

VANDERBILT — Named Derek Mason football coach.

SKI REPORT

ROCKIES

New Mexico

Angel Fire — Sat 6:50 am packed powder machine groomed 20 - 20 base 55 of 78 trails 70% open, 455 acres, 6 of 7 lifts, sm Mon-Thu 9a-4p; Fri 9a-8p; Sat 9a-8p Sun 9a-4p.

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

Red River — Fri 7:25 am packed powder machine groomed 21 - 24 base 52 of 57 trails 92% open, 7 of 7 lifts, sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Sandia Peak — Fri 8:20 am MG machine groomed 15 - 15 base 3 of 39 trails 8% open, 2 of 5 lifts, Wed-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p; Open Wed-Sun.

Sipapu — Sat 6:10 am MG machine groomed 17 - 25 base 30 of 41 trails, 74% open 160 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Ski Apache — Sat 7:29 am hard packed machine groomed 12 - 16 base 40 of 55 trails 73% open, 400 acres, 7 of 10 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Ski Santa Fe — Sat 4:50 pm packed powder machine groomed 34 - 34 base 73 of 77 trails 95% open, 7 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Taos — Sat 5:50 am packed powder machine groomed 34 - 36 base 94 of 113 trails, 84% open 14 of 14 lifts, sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Angel Fire Resort XC — Operating, no details.

Colorado

Arapahoe Basin — Sat 5:59 am packed powder machine groomed 50 - 50 base 78 of 109 trails 72% open, 634 acres, 8 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p.

Aspen Highlands — Sat 5:20 am packed powder machine groomed 45 - 59 base 118 of 124 trails 96% open, 1040 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-3:30p; Sat/Sun 9a-3:30p.

Aspen Mountain — Sat 5:18 am packed powder machine groomed 34 - 37 base 76 of 76 trails 100% open, 675 acres, 6 of 8 lifts, sm Mon-Fri 9a-3:30p; Sat/Sun 9a-3:30p.

Beaver Creek — Sat 7:41 am powder machine groomed 44 - 44 base 144 of 150 trails 100% open, 1831 acres, 24 of 25 lifts, Mon-Fri 8:30a-3:30p Sat/Sun 8:30a-3:30p.

Breckenridge — Sat 7:43 am powder machine groomed 62 - 62 base 157 of 187 trails 100% open, 2192 acres, 33 of 34 lifts, sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Buttermilk — Sat 5:19 am packed powder machine groomed 30 - 30 base 35 of 44 trails 80% open, 408 acres, 4 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-3:30p; Sat/Sun 9a-3:30p.

Copper Mountain — Sat 5:21 am packed powder machine groomed 54 - 54 base 137 of 140 trails 96% open, 1952 acres, 23 of 23 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p.

Crested Butte — Sat 5:09 am powder machine groomed 48 - 48 base 100 of 121 trails 85% open, 990 acres, 14 of 15 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Eldora — Fri 5:48 am packed powder machine groomed 41 - 41 base 48 of 53 trails, 91% open 10 of 11 lifts, sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Irwin — Operating, no details.

Kendall Mountain — Operating, no details.

Keystone — Sat 7:44 am powder machine groomed 40 - 40 base 123 of 135 trails 96% open, 3027 acres, 19 of 20 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-6p.

Loveland — Sat 6:56 am packed powder machine groomed 44 - 44 base 82 of 93 trails, 74% open 1372 acres, 8 of 9 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p.

Monarch — Sat 7:44 am packed powder machine groomed 49 - 49 base 62 of 62 trails, 100% open 6 of 6 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Powderhorn — Sat 6:45 am packed powder machine groomed 45 - 45 base 40 of 44 trails 95% open, 4 of 5 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Purgatory at Durango — Sat 9:20 am packed powder machine groomed 34 - 38 base 87 of 88 trails, 100% open, 1360 acres, 9 of 10 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p Sat/Sun 9a-4p;

Silverton Mountain — Sat 6:38 am powder 50 - 100 base 69 of 69 trails, 100% open Thu/Fri 9a-3p; Sat/Sun 9a-3p; Open Thu-Sun;

Ski Cooper — Sat 6:12 am powder machine groomed 53 - 53 base 35 of 35 trails 100% open, 400 acres, 4 of 4 lifts, Mon-Fri 8a-4p; Sat/Sun 8a-4p.

Ski Granby Ranch — Sat 6:58 am MG machine groomed 27 - 30 base 38 of 41 trails 93% open, 360 acres, 5 of 5 lifts, sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat 9a-4p, 5p-8p Sun 9a-4p;

Ski Hesperus — Operating, no details.

Snowmass — Sat 5:17 am packed powder machine groomed 33 - 46 base 94 of 97 trails, 97% open 3217 acres, 15 of 21 lifts, Mon-Fri 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p.

Steamboat — Sat 5:02 am packed powder machine groomed 56 - 72 base 165 of 165 trails 100% open, 2965 acres, 16 of 18 lifts, Mon-Thu 8:30a-4p; Fri 5:30p-8:30p Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p 5:30p-8:30p.

Sunlight — Sat 5:40 am packed powder machine groomed 36 - 40 base 67 of 67 trails 100% open, 3 of 3 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Telluride — Sat 5:14 am packed powder machine groomed 49 - 49 base 91 of 93 trails 98% open, 17 of 18 lifts, Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Vail — Sat 7:43 am powder machine groomed 47 - 47 base 192 of 193 trails, 100% open 5268 acres, 30 of 31 lifts, Mon-Fri 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p.

Winter Park — Sat 5:38 am packed powder machine groomed 46 - 47 base 134 of 143 trails 94% open, 2541 acres, 23 of 26 lifts, sm Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 8:30a-4p.

Wolf Creek — Sat 6:33 am packed powder machine groomed 58 - 60 base 77 of 77 trails 100% open, 42 miles, 1600 acres, 6 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri 8:30a-4p Sat/Sun 8:30p-4p.

Ashcroft XC — Sat 6:10 am powder machine groomed 36 - 48 base 12 of 20 trails 24 miles Mon-Fri 9a-4p; Sat/Sun 9a-4p.

Aspen/Snowmass XC — Sat 7:10 am packed powder machine groomed 8 - 12 base 14 of 15 trails 85 miles Mon-Fri 7a-5p; Sat/Sun 7a-5p.

Vail Nordic Center — Sat 7:19 am packed powder machine groomed 24 - 68 base 7 of 7 trails 17 miles Mon-Fri 9a-5p; Sat/Sun 9a-5p.

Jackalopes shut out by IceRays

From staff reports

CORPUS CHRISTI — The Odessa Jackalopes lost for the sixth time in their last seven matches as the Corpus Christi IceRays shut them out, 4-0, Saturday at American Bank Center.

The IceRays scored three goals in the second period and added a fourth in the third. Odessa outshot Corpus Christi, 10-3, in the first period, which ended with no goals being scored by either team, but managed jut 10 shots combined in the final two frames.

Forbes Ploszaj had the shutout for the IceRays with 20 saves.

Odessa (11-25-2, 24 points) returns to Ector County Coliseum next weekend for a two-game series against the Amarillo Bulls. The puck is scheduled to drop at 7:17 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

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Random musings from a befuddled mind as I fill in for Len Hayward, who is off in Tulsa getting his yearly ethanol fix:

■ Hats off to first-year Lee coach Monica Ramirez and her Lady Rebels basketball team.

With Friday's win against Lubbock Coronado, the Lady Rebels are now tied with the Lady Mustangs atop the District 2-5A standings.

Think about this for a moment. This is the same Lady Rebels program that won a mere three games, including one by forfeit, in the 2009-10 season. It's the same program that has had three different coaches in as many years.

Yet despite the turnover at the head coaching positions, the Lady Rebels have already won 21 games this season with four games left on their schedule. They also have a leg up on being the No. 1 seed in the playoffs as long as they hold serve the remainder of the season.

Should Lee win even a share of the 2-5A title, it would mark the first district championship for the Lady Rebels since the 2005-06 season.

This is a team that had plenty of questions surrounding the team chemistry coming into the season, but credit Ramirez for quickly addressing and eliminating whatever issues might have existed.

A 2-5A Coach of the Year honor should be in line for Ramirez, while junior guards Daija Stanford and Bri'An Washington are clear contenders for 2-5A MVP.

It's a banner year for the Lady Rebels' program, and the future remains bright with only one active senior — Jackie Rivas — on the roster.

■ How about a little more praise for Ramirez?

When the Lee job came open last May, I announced in the office that she should be the top candidate for the job. I had crossed paths with her at the 2012 Byron Johnston Holiday Classic, which El Paso El Dorado won under her direction, and learned she was a Lee grad.

That fact along with knowing her mother still lived in Midland and seeing her coaching style made me think she was the best possible hire MISD athletic director Todd Howey could make.

She has learned what buttons to push to motivate her team, and has gotten the Lady Rebels over what seemed like an insurmountable hump in beating Midland High, not just once but twice this season.

■ Howey gets plenty of criticism from fans and parents — there is a difference between the two classifications — but one thing I think Howey has nailed is his last six basketball coaching hires.

Ramirez has already been mentioned, but throw in first-year Midland High coach Wes Torres as a nice fit for that program as well. That young Lady Bulldogs' squad is only going to get stronger under his tutelage.

Lee's Chris Packer and Midland High's Charles Tatum, who are both alumni of their respective schools, have their teams playing harder and more competitively in their first seasons as well.

Three seasons ago, veteran coach Ron Berry was a great find for the Midland High girls program, and while there was some controversy surrounding her, Morgan Fowler was also the right person for the Lee girls job last year.

In fact, I see a lot of similarities in the coaching styles between Fowler and Ramirez with the one major difference being the experience Ramirez has as a coach.

So let's give credit where credit is due. Howey has earned his keep with these coaching hires.

Of course, I'm sure he's hoping he doesn't have to conduct any more searches for a basketball coach for at least a few years.

■ Could fans of the NFL ask for better storylines in today's conference championship games?

Peyton Manning vs. Tom Brady, or more properly Denver vs. New England, gives us the premiere quarterback rivalry of the past decade.

Seattle vs. San Francisco provides the third meeting for what is currently the strongest rivalry the NFL has to offer.

And regardless of who wins the two games, the Super Bowl will pit a great offense from the AFC against a great defense from the NFC.

The old adage tells us offense wins games but defense wins championships. That theory will be tested in the Super Bowl as the game of football evolves to being more and more about putting an atrocious amount of points on the board.

■ And in closing, is everyone ready for the chaos that is UIL realignment day? It's just a little more than two weeks away.

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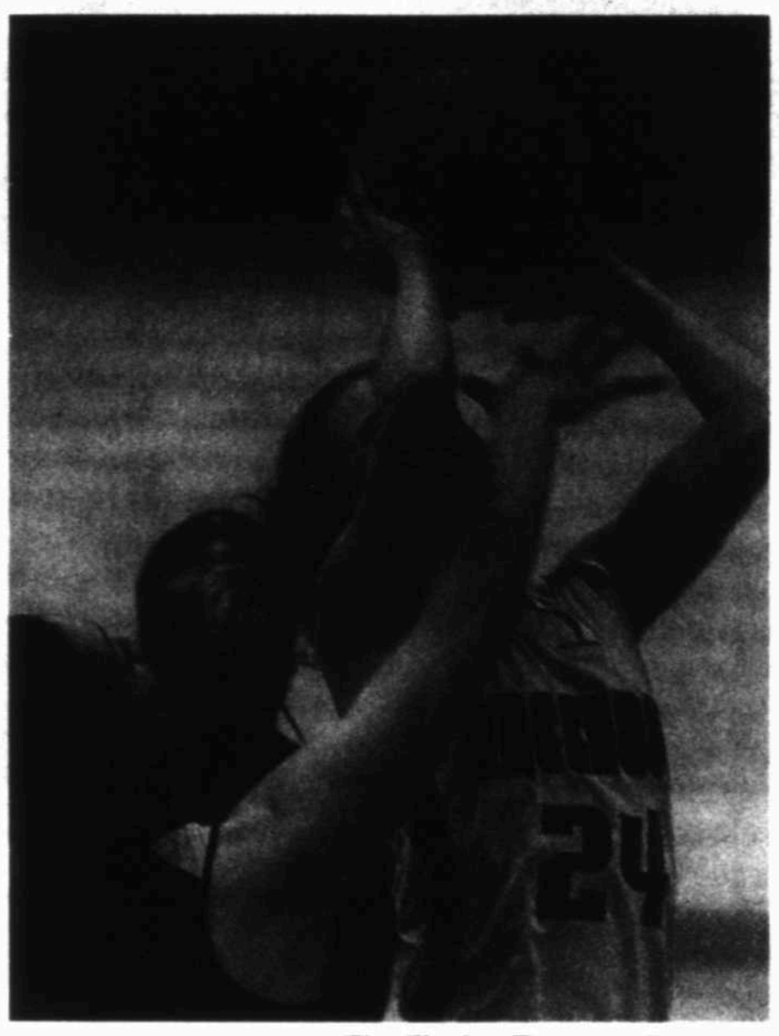
Up for the deuce



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Greenwood's Morgan McKee (24) takes it in for a layup as Big Spring's Alexis Cansino defends Friday evening in Greenwood. The Lady Rangers beat the Lady Steers.

UTPBROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Women's Basketball

ST. EDWARD'S 95

UTPB 89, OT

AUSTIN — Valerie Barriga had 23 points and three other players scored in double figures for the UTPB women, but it wasn't enough as St. Edward's pulled out an overtime victory against the Falcons on Saturday.

Giselle Loya, Keyondra White and Shaquiri Graham each had 16 points for the Falcons with Graham also pulling down 12 rebounds.

The Falcons (3-12, 2-8 in HC) turned the ball over 26 times, leading to 31 points for St. Edward's.

Men's Basketball

UTPB 85

ST. EDWARD'S 71

AUSTIN — Two players posted a double-double while Thomas Feeney put up a game-high 31 points, leading the Falcons to a Heartland Conference road win Saturday.

Keith Martin had 14 points and 11 rebounds, while Madison Turner was good for 10 points and 10 boards. Anthony Dees added 14 points, while Feeney also had eight rebounds.

UTPB (11-4, 5-2 in HC) was down 40-38 at halftime, but outscored St. Edward's 47-31 in the second half.

HSBASKETBALL ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Boys

NO. 22 MID. CHRISTIAN 87

FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 81

NORTH RICHLAND HILLS — Midland Christian scored a lot of points this weekend, but the Mustangs also gave up a lot of points. The result had them going 1-1 in TAPPS 1-4A play in the Metroplex over the last two days.

The Mustangs got 27 points from Grant Little and 21 from Daniel Venzant in a victory against Fort Worth Christian on Saturday. Kaleb Warren added 17 in the post.

Warren was coming off a huge game Friday, scoring a career-high 37 points against Grapevine Faith. However, Faith senior guard Kyle Carter put up 46 points, leading his team to a 108-99 victory in a shootout.

As a team, the Lions made an incredible 23 3-pointers, including 11 by Carter. Fellow senior Zach Postema made seven threes, scoring a complementary 29 points.

Venzant had 21 and Little 17 for MCS.

Fort Worth Christian also had a player reach the 40-point plateau with Michael Humphrey scoring exactly that total on Saturday.

The Mustangs (14-9, 4-1 in TAPPS 1-4A) prepare for what could be another high-scoring affair Tuesday when Lubbock Trinity visits McGraw Special Events Center.

NO. 22 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 87, FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 81

MCS (14-9, 4-1 in TAPPS 1-4A) — Daniel Venzant 21, Sam Gilbert 9, Grant Little 27, Mason McClendon 9, Kaleb Warren 17, Jeremy Baily 4.

FWC (0-6 in district) — Goff 3, Story 3, Humphrey 40, Pair 4, Thorpe 6, Murrell 3, Hilton 22.

MCS	22	20	24	21	—87
FWC	16	17	18	30	—81

Free throws — MCS 20-30, FWC 22-29. 3-point goals — MCS 6 (Gilbert, Little 2, McClendon 3), FWC 5 (Goff, Story, Humphrey 2, Murrell). Total fouls — MCS 16, FWC 21. Fouled out — None.

Next: Lubbock Trinity at Midland Christian, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

FRIDAY'S LATE BOX

GRAPEVINE FAITH 108, NO. 22 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 99

MCS — Daniel Venzant 21, Sam Gilbert 2, Grant Little 17, Mason McClendon 3, Kaleb Warren 37, Jeremy Baily 9.

Grapevine Faith (5-0 in district) — Matsek 9, Jones 3, Carter 46, Standish 6, Dixon 3, McCain 1, Postema 29, Fray 7, Bras 2.

MCS	20	20	20	29	—99
Faith	29	16	33	30	—108

Free throws — MCS 17-27, GF 7-14. 3-point goals — MCS 3 (Venzant, Baily 2), GF 23 (Matsek 2, Jones, Carter 11, Standish 2, Postema 7). Total fouls — MCS 14, GF 23. Fouled out — Dixon.

Girls

NO. 12 MID. CHRISTIAN 46

FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 29

NORTH RICHLAND HILLS — Midland Christian remained undefeated in district play with a methodical victory against TAPPS 1-4A rival Fort Worth Christian on Saturday.

The Lady Mustangs got 23 points from senior point guard Morgan Ashton, who was just a point shy of the 24-point performance she had against Grapevine Faith on Friday.

Lindsey Mills added 10 for the Lady Mustangs.

MCS (21-3, 4-0 in TAPPS 1-4A) puts its perfect district mark on the line at 6 p.m. Tuesday when it hosts Lubbock Trinity at McGraw Special Events Center. Trinity is also 4-0 in district play.

NO. 12 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 46, FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 29

MCS (21-3, 4-0 in TAPPS 1-4A) — Megan Ashton 4, Morgan Ashton 23, Lindsey Mills 10, Bailey Wright 4, Caroline Hammond 5.

FWC (11-15, 3-2) — Morgan Dunlap 9, Kenzie Dunlap 2, Olivia Tarbet 7, Cecily Woolfolk 11.

MCS	12	8	10	16	—46
FWC	6	7	5	11	—29

Free throws — MCS 11-19, FWC 6-11. 3-point goals — MCS 1 (Mills), FWC 3 (M. Dunlap, Tarbet 2). Total fouls — MCS 13, FWC 15. Fouled out — M. Dunlap, Abby Needham.

Next: Lubbock Trinity at Midland Christian, 6 p.m. Tuesday.

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No. 12 Baylor's home streak ends, loses to No. 25 Oklahoma

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

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WACO — Scott Drew was asked if he is worried about the mentality of his No. 12 Baylor Bears.

It was a fair question after a 66-64 home loss Saturday to No. 25 Oklahoma that ended the Bears' 13-game home winning streak and dropped them to 1-3 in Big 12 play before playing at No. 15 Kansas on Monday night.

"I think any team who loses no matter what you say, they are affected. You can say we're going to come out and they'll be (ticked) off," Drew uncharacteristically responded. "It's just basketball. There's parity. When you are winning, you've got swag and things are going better. When you are losing, you just can't second-guess yourself."

Buddy Hield scored all 19 of his points after halftime for Oklahoma (14-4, 3-2 Big 12), which shot only 23 percent in the first half and was down by eight points after Cory Jefferson made an inside basket on Baylor's first shot of the second half.

The Sooners then reeled off 16 consecutive points, going ahead on a 3-pointer by Hield before Isaiah Cousins and Cameron Clark also hit from beyond the arc to cap that spurt.

Baylor (13-4, 1-3) was down 65-58 after Oklahoma freshman Jordan Woodard made two free throws with 29 seconds left. But Baylor's 7-foot-1 center Isaiah Austin then hit a 3-pointer from the top of the key before Woodard, a 78 percent free throw shooter, missed after being fouled with 18 seconds left.

Austin hit another 3 from pretty much the same spot and Woodard had the ball again and was fouled. Woodard made the second of two free throws with 9.1 seconds left, leaving Baylor with one more chance.

Point guard Kenny Chery brought the ball down the court and got it to Royce O'Neale, whose pass toward Austin was deflected by Clark. O'Neale came away with the ball and turned for a shot, but it came after the buzzer and the basket that would have forced overtime didn't count.

"Nine seconds is a long time," Oklahoma coach Lon Kruger said. "Seconds are precious at that point, and the deflection kind of used up just enough time for the horn to go off before they got control of it."

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Oklahoma guard Je'lon Hornbeak (5) heads over to celebrate with teammate Buddy Hield (24) as Baylor guard Brady Heslip (5) walks off the court after Saturday's game in Waco.

TOP25ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NO. 2 SYRACUSE 59
NO. 22 PITTSBURGH 54

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Freshman point guard Tyler Ennis scored 16 points, including two driving layups and two free throws in the final 2 minutes, and No. 2 Syracuse beat No. 22 Pittsburgh 59-54 on Saturday in a battle for first place in the ACC between the two former Big East rivals.

MICHIGAN 77
NO. 3 WISCONSIN 70

MADISON, Wis. — Nik Stauskus scored 23 points and hit a key 3 with 48 seconds left, and Michigan fended off a late surge for a win over Wisconsin.

NO. 4 MICHIGAN STATE 78
ILLINOIS 62

CHAMAPIGN, Ill. — Gary Harris scored 23 points and Denzel Valentine pulled down 11 rebounds to lead Michigan State past Illinois.

NO. 5 WICHITA ST. 68
INDIANA ST. 48

WICHITA, Kan. — Ron Baker scored 16 points and Fred VanVleet added 15 as Wichita State remained unbeaten.

NO. 6 VILLANOVA 88
DEPAUL 62

VILLANOVA, Pa. — James Bell had 17 points and eight rebounds and Ryan Arcidiacono scored 14 points as Villanova won its fifth straight.

NO. 7 FLORIDA 68
AUBURN 61

AUBURN, Ala. — Casey Prather scored 21 points in his return from a knee injury and Florida survived a scare from Auburn.

NO. 10 SAN DIEGO STATE 63
UNLV 52

SAN DIEGO — Xavier Thames scored 18 points for No. 10 San Diego State, which used a 19-2 first-half run to beat UNLV for its 15th straight victory.

NO. 13 KENTUCKY 74
TENNESSEE 66

LEXINGTON, Ky. — Freshman Andrew Harrison scored a season-high 26 points and Kentucky used near-perfect free throw shooting to pull away.

NO. 16 MASSACHUSETTS 84
ELON 74

ELON, N.C. — Cady Lalanne scored 16 of his 23 points in the first half and Chaz Williams scored all 20 of his points in the second half as Massachusetts held off several Elon rallies to win.

NO. 17 MEMPHIS 101
LEMOYNE-OWEN 78

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Nick King scored 18 points as Memphis beat Division II LeMoyne-Owen.

NO. 18 LOUISVILLE 76
CONNECTICUT 64

STORRS, Conn. — Russ Smith scored 18 of his 23 points in the second half to lead Louisville past Connecticut.

NO. 19 CINCINNATI 61
SOUTH FLORIDA 54

TAMPA, Fla. — Sean Kilpatrick scored 18 points to lead Cincinnati to its 10th straight win.

PROVIDENCE 81
NO. 20 CREIGHTON 68

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Bryce Cotton scored 23 points and LaDontae Henton added 19 as Providence upset Creighton.

NO. 21 COLORADO 83
SOUTHERN CAL 62

BOULDER, Colo. — Josh Scott scored 20 points and Askia Booker had 13 as Colorado, shaken by the loss of star guard Spencer Dinwiddie to a season-ending knee injury, rebounded from its first home defeat.

NO. 23 DUKE 95
N.C. ST. 60

DURHAM, N.C. — Jabari Parker scored 23 points and Duke scored 33 points off turnovers.

NO. 24 SAINT LOUIS 70
FORDHAM 48

ST. LOUIS — Dwayne Evans had 21 points and 10 rebounds and Jordair Jett lacked a rebound for his first career double-double for Saint Louis.

UTAH 74
NO. 25 UCLA 69

SALT LAKE CITY — Jordan Loveridge had 17 points and nine rebounds to lead Utah.

LONGHORNS

From 1C

and disappeared from the Cyclones' offense for long stretches.

Iowa State, which shot just 39 percent, hasn't won in Austin since 2005.

Iowa State appeared comfortable early behind 3-point shooting that built a 29-20 lead and threatened to blow the game open in the first half. But five straight turnovers helped Texas close the half with a 16-7 run. Felix's catch-and-shoot 3-pointer tied it at 36-36.

"We couldn't keep the momentum going because we couldn't stop turning the ball over," Iowa State coach Fred Hoiberg said.

Texas built a 51-44 lead over the first seven minutes of the second. The Cyclones committed four fouls in a 50-second stretch and Holmes made three straight baskets, two of them on putback layups after misses. Texas looked ready to put the game away when Ridley made a tough layup, then followed with a rim-shaking trailing dunk after a miss by Taylor.

"He's a beast," Hoiberg said of Ridley. "He was a tough matchup for us in terms of size and strength."

Niang slowed Texas' momentum with a trailing 3-pointer, before the Longhorns quickly grabbed it again. Felix made a 3-pointer and Holmes came up with two more big plays: a tip-in and a driving layup over two defenders that pushed the lead to 67-58 with 7 minutes to play.

"Jon is very skilled and that's what we've tried to tell him," Barnes said. "He can rebound, he can shoot."

A basket by Ridley and free throws by Felix and Taylor built Texas' lead as high as 75-61.

BIG12/TEXASCOLLEGEBASKETBALL

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Men

BIG 12
TEXAS TECH 60
TCU 49

FORT WORTH — Dusty Hannahs scored 13 points, Dejan Kravic had 12 points and 10 rebounds and Texas Tech won consecutive Big 12 games for the first time in almost three years with a 60-49 victory against cold-shooting TCU on Saturday.

The Red Raiders blew a 14-point first-half lead and trailed at halftime before bouncing back to follow up their win over No. 12 Baylor, the biggest under first-year coach Tubby Smith.

NO. 15 KANSAS 80
NO. 9 OKLAHOMA STATE 78

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Naadir Tharpe scored 21 points for Kansas, and Frank Mason stripped Oklahoma State's Le'Bryan Nash as the final buzzer sounded to preserve the 15th-ranked Jayhawks' 80-78 victory over the ninth-ranked Cowboys on Saturday.

Joel Embiid added 13 points, 11 rebounds and eight blocks for the Jayhawks (13-4, 4-0 Big 12), who blew most of a 47-30 halftime lead before holding on at the finish.

KANSAS STATE 78
WEST VIRGINIA 56

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Shane Southwell and Thomas Gipson scored 20 points apiece and Marcus Foster added 15 as Kansas State beat West Virginia 78-56 on Saturday.

Eron Harris had 21 points while Juwan Staten contributed 16 points and 11 rebounds to pace the Mountaineers (10-8, 2-3 Big 12).

TEXAS
MISSISSIPPI ST. 81
TEXAS A&M 72, OT

STARKVILLE, Miss. — Craig Sword scored 23 points, Gavin Ware added 22 and Mississippi State beat Texas A&M 81-72 in overtime on Saturday.

Mississippi State (12-5, 2-2 Southeastern Conference) rallied from a 52-42 deficit midway through the second half. Ware's crucial steal and putback tied the game at 67 with 30 seconds left.

UTEP 63
UAB 61

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — C.J. Cooper pumped in 17 points, including the game-winning 3-pointer, as University of Texas-El Paso held on Saturday for a 63-61 win over University of Alabama-Birmingham.

SOUTHERN METHODIST 58
CENTRAL FLORIDA 46

ORLANDO, Fla. — Markus Kennedy had 15 points and eight rebounds and Southern Methodist used a second-half run to defeat Central Florida 58-46 on Saturday.

TEXAS-PAN AMERICAN 84
CHICAGO STATE 61

CHICAGO — Shaquille Boga scored 26 points, including 15 of 18 free throws, as Texas-Pan American easily handled Chicago State 84-61 on Saturday.

ABILENE CHRISTIAN 73
CENTRAL ARKANSAS 72

ABILENE — Parker Wentz made a layup at the buzzer as Abilene Christian overcame a 10-point second-half deficit to defeat Central Arkansas 73-72 on Saturday.

TEXAS A&M-CC 70
NICHOLLS 67

THIBODAUX, La. — Brandon Pye hit a critical 3-pointer with 1:56 left to give Texas A&M-Corpus Christi all the points it needed for a comeback win Saturday at Nicholls State 70-65.

MCNEESE ST. 70
HOUSTON BAPTIST 68

THIBODAUX, La. — Kevin Hardy made the game-winning dunk Saturday and McNeese State repelled Houston Baptist's comeback charge to survive 70-68.

TEXAS-ARLINGTON 56
TEXAS STATE 48

SAN MARCOS — Reger Dowell came off the bench to score 16 points and grab five rebounds as Texas-Arlington held on to beat Texas State 56-48 on Saturday.

ORAL ROBERTS 79
INCARNATE WORD 77

SAN ANTONIO — Shawn Glover scored 24 points and hit the game-winning jumper with 1.2 seconds remaining to help Oral Roberts outlast Incarnate Word 79-77 on Saturday.

TULANE 58
RICE 41

NEW ORLEANS — Jay Hook scored 17 points, making 4 of 7 3-pointers, to lead Tulane to a dominating 58-41 victory over Rice Saturday night.

PRAIRIE VIEW 85
JACKSON ST 80, 2OT

JACKSON, Miss. — Louis Munks scored 23 points and Montrael Scott added 15 as Prairie View A&M outlasted Jackson State 85-80 in double overtime Saturday night.

TEXAS SOUTHERN 74
GRAMBLING STATE 72

GRAMBLING, La. — D'Aris Scarver scored 25 points and Texas Southern held on for a 74-72 victory over Grambling State on Saturday.

SAM HOUSTON STATE 77
NEW ORLEANS 70

NEW ORLEANS — Kaheem Ransom scored 21 points as Sam Houston State came back for a 77-70 victory over New Orleans Saturday night.

UNC-CHARLOTTE 76
NORTH TEXAS 74

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Terrence Williams scored twice in the final 42 seconds — including a game-winning dunk at the buzzer — as North Carolina-Charlotte stole past North Texas 76-74 on Saturday night.

TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO 80
MIDDLE TENNESSEE 58

MURFREESBORO, Tenn. — Kerry Hammonds II had 19 points with 5-of-7 3-point shooting to power Middle Tennessee's 80-58 blowout victory Saturday against Texas-San Antonio.

SE LOUISIANA 91
LAMAR 65

HAMMOND, La. — JaMichael Hawkins scored 25 points, 18 of those from 3-point range, in leading Southeastern Louisiana to a 91-65 rout of Lamar on Saturday.

Women

BIG 12
NO. 11 OKLAHOMA STATE 82
TEXAS TECH 56.

STILLWATER, Okla. — Brittney Martin scored 15 points to lead No. 11 Oklahoma State in an 82-56 rout of Texas Tech on Saturday.

KANSAS STATE 80
NO. 13 IOWA STATE 74

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Hallie Christofferson went more than 33 minutes between field goals Saturday and a Cyclone rally fell short as Kansas State posted an 80-74 win over No. 13 Iowa State Saturday night.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL SCORES AND SCHEDULES

Men

SATURDAY'S TOP 25 FARED

1. Arizona (18-0) did not play, beat Arizona State 91-68. Next: vs. No. 21 Colorado, Thursday.
2. Syracuse (18-0) beat No. 22 Pittsburgh 59-54. Next: at Miami, Saturday.
3. Wisconsin (16-2) lost to Michigan 77-70. Next: at Minnesota, Wednesday.
4. Michigan State (17-1) beat Illinois 78-62. Next: vs. Indiana, Tuesday.
5. Wichita State (19-0) beat Indiana State 68-48. Next: at Illinois State, Wednesday.
6. Villanova (16-1) beat DePaul 88-62. Next: vs. No. 20 Creighton, Monday.
7. Florida (15-2) beat Auburn 68-61. Next: at Alabama, Thursday.
8. Iowa State (14-3) lost to Texas 86-76. Next: vs. Kansas State, Saturday.
9. Oklahoma State (15-3) lost to No. 15 Kansas 80-78. Next: vs. West Virginia, Saturday.
10. San Diego State (16-1) beat UNLV 63-52. Next: at San Jose State, Wednesday.
11. Ohio State (15-3) did not play, lost to Minnesota 63-53. Next: at Nebraska, Monday.
12. **Baylor (13-4) lost to No. 25 Oklahoma 66-64. Next: at No. 15 Kansas, Monday.**
13. Kentucky (13-4) beat Tennessee 74-66. Next: vs. Texas A&M, Tuesday.
14. Iowa (14-3) did not play. Next: vs. Minnesota, Sunday. Next: at Michigan, Wednesday.
15. Kansas (13-4) beat No. 9 Oklahoma State 80-78. Next: vs. No. 12 Baylor, Monday.
16. UMass (16-1) beat Elon 84-74. Next: at Richmond, Wednesday.
17. Memphis (13-4) beat LeMoyne-Owen 101-78. Next: vs. Houston, Thursday.
18. Louisville (16-3) beat UConn 76-64. Next: at South Florida, Wednesday.
19. Cincinnati (17-2) beat South Florida 61-54. Next: vs. UCF, Thursday.
20. Creighton (15-3) lost to Providence 81-68. Next: at No. 6 Villanova, Monday.
21. Colorado (15-4) beat Southern Cal 83-62. Next: at No. 1 Arizona, Thursday.
22. Pittsburgh (16-2) lost to No. 2 Syracuse 59-54. Next: vs. Clemson, Tuesday.
23. Duke (14-4) beat N.C. State 95-60. Next: at Miami, Wednesday.
24. Saint Louis (17-2) beat Fordham 70-48. Next: at Duquesne, Wednesday.
25. Oklahoma (14-4) beat No. 12 Baylor 66-64. Next: vs. TCU, Wednesday.
25. UCLA (14-4) lost to Utah 74-69. Next: vs. Stanford, Thursday.

SATURDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Abilene Christian 73, Cent. Arkansas 72
Oklahoma 66, Baylor 64
Oral Roberts 79, Incarnate Word 77
Southern U. 60, Ark.-Pine Bluff 56
Texas 86, Iowa St. 76
Texas Tech 60, TCU 49
Texas-Arlington 56, Texas St. 48
Texas-Dallas 95, Concordia-Austin 49

FAR WEST

Boise St. 78, Utah St. 74
California 76, Washington St. 55
Colorado 83, Southern Cal 62
Colorado St. 74, Air Force 68
Denver 66, IUPUI 45
Gonzaga 82, Loyola Marymount 72
Long Beach St. 63, Cal Poly 62
N. Arizona 77, Portland St. 56
N. Colorado 84, Montana 73
New Mexico 89, Fresno St. 78
North Dakota 72, Montana St. 69
Pepperdine 76, Portland 65
Saint Mary's (Cal) 79, Pacific 73
San Diego St. 63, UNLV 52
Utah 74, UCLA 69
Weber St. 65, S. Utah 59
Wyoming 67, San Jose St. 56

SOUTH

Alabama St. 67, Alabama A&M 58, OT
Alcorn St. 65, MVSU 53
Appalachian St. 81, Georgia Southern 68
Belmont 79, Tennessee St. 65
Campbell 97, VMI 93, OT
Charlotte 76, North Texas 74
Chattanooga 71, Wofford 57
Cincinnati 61, South Florida 54
Clemson 61, Wake Forest 53
Coppin St. 71, Hampton 68
Davidson 93, UNC Greensboro 82
Drexel 79, UNC Wilmington 63
Duke 95, NC State 60
E. Kentucky 60, Jacksonville St. 56
FIU 68, East Carolina 64
Florida 68, Auburn 61
Florida A&M 78, SC State 72
Florida Gulf Coast 90, ETSU 62
Furman 76, The Citadel 71
Gardner-Webb 67, Presbyterian 58
Georgia 66, Arkansas 61, OT
Georgia St. 99, UALR 73
High Point 76, Liberty 70
Howard 88, Md.-Eastern Shore 55
Kentucky 74, Tennessee 66
LSU 81, Vanderbilt 58
Louisiana-Lafayette 72, Troy 59
Louisiana-Monroe 64, South Alabama 58
McNeese St. 70, Houston Baptist 68
Memphis 101, LeMoyne-Owen 78
Mercer 87, Lipscomb 66
Miami 56, Georgia Tech 42
Middle Tennessee 80, UTSA 58
Mississippi 75, South Carolina 74
Mississippi St. 81, Texas A&M 72, OT
Morehead St. 82, UT-Martin 75
Morgan St. 87, Norfolk St. 70
N. Kentucky 82, Kennesaw St. 69
NC A&T 88, NJIT 82
NC Central 62, Delaware St. 52
North Carolina 82, Boston College 71
Old Dominion 65, FAU 60
Prairie View 85, Jackson St. 80, 2OT
Radford 93, Longwood 76
Richmond 73, Dayton 64
SE Louisiana 91, Lamar 65
SE Missouri 83, Tennessee Tech 74
SMU 58, UCF 46
Sam Houston St. 77, New Orleans 70
Savannah St. 70, Bethune-Cookman 60, OT
Stetson 77, SC-Upstate 73, OT
Texas A&M-CC 70, Nicholls St. 67
Texas Southern 74, Grambling St. 72
Tulane 58, Rice 41
Tulsa 69, Marshall 52
UMass 84, Elon 74
UNC Asheville 80, Charleston Southern 76
UTEP 63, UAB 61
VCU 80, Duquesne 65
Virginia 78, Florida St. 66
W. Carolina 67, Samford 64
W. Kentucky 82, Arkansas St. 77, 2OT
William & Mary 78, James Madison 56
Winthrop 73, Coastal Carolina 72, OT

MIDWEST

Butler 69, Marquette 57, OT
E. Illinois 67, Austin Peay 64
E. Michigan 72, Cent. Michigan 59
Evansville 53, Loyola of Chicago 48
Illinois St. 77, Drake 63
Kansas 80, Oklahoma St. 78
Kansas St. 78, West Virginia 56
Miami (Ohio) 64, Ball St. 52
Michigan 77, Wisconsin 70
Michigan St. 78, Illinois 62
Missouri 68, Alabama 47
N. Dakota St. 65, W. Illinois 52
N. Iowa 94, Missouri St. 89
Nebraska-Omaha 80, S. Dakota St. 71
Northwestern 54, Indiana 47
Ohio 65, N. Illinois 46
Purdue 65, Penn St. 64
SIU-Edwardsville 67, Murray St. 60
Saint Louis 70, Fordham 48
South Dakota 75, IPFW 61
Texas-Pan American 84, Chicago St. 61
Toledo 75, Akron 61
UMKC 68, New Mexico St. 66
Valparaiso 75, Milwaukee 62
Wichita St. 68, Indiana St. 48
Youngstown St. 77, Detroit 63

EAST

Albany (NY) 85, Maine 78
American U. 66, Lafayette 61
Bryant 95, Fairleigh Dickinson 68
Buffalo 71, Kent St. 60
Colgate 63, Navy 41
Columbia 71, Cornell 61
Delaware 74, Northeastern 70
Fairfield 71, Manhattan 67
George Washington 79, St. Bonaventure 71
Hartford 60, New Hampshire 43
Holy Cross 61, Lehigh 42
LIU Brooklyn 62, CCSU 61
La Salle 74, Temple 68
Louisville 76, UConn 64
Providence 81, Creighton 68
Quinnipiac 85, Niagara 71
Rhode Island 71, George Mason 69, OT
Rider 66, Marist 56
Robert Morris 77, Mount St. Mary's 69
Saint Joseph's 85, Penn 68
Seton Hall 67, Georgetown 57
St. Francis (NY) 74, Sacred Heart 71
St. John's 69, Dartmouth 55
Stony Brook 70, Mass.-Lowell 65
Syracuse 59, Pittsburgh 54
Vermont 73, UMBC 47
Villanova 88, DePaul 62
Wagner 56, St. Francis (Pa.) 50
Yale 74, Brown 67

TODAY'S GAMES

SOUTHWEST

Rutgers at Houston, Noon
Hofstra at SMU, 6 p.m.

SOUTH

Louisiana Tech at Southern Miss., Noon
Towson at Coll. of Charleston, 2:30 p.m.

MIDWEST

Wright St. at Cleveland St., Noon
Minnesota at Iowa, Noon
Green Bay at Ill.-Chicago, 1 p.m.
Bowling Green at W. Michigan, 1 p.m.
Virginia Tech at Notre Dame, 5 p.m.

FAR WEST

Utah Valley at Seattle, 3 p.m.
Oregon at Oregon St., 7 p.m.

EAST

Canisius at Monmouth (NJ), 1 p.m.
Bucknell at Army, 2 p.m.
Siena at Iona, 4 p.m.

Women

SATURDAY'S TOP 25 FARED

1. UConn (18-0) did not play. Next: at No. 23 Rutgers, Sunday.
2. Notre Dame (16-0) did not play. Next: at No. 12 Tennessee, Monday.
3. Duke (17-1) did not play. Next: at Virginia Tech, Sunday.
4. Stanford (16-1) did not play. Next: at No. 19 Arizona State, Monday.
5. Louisville (17-1) did not play. Next: at SMU, Sunday.
6. Maryland (15-1) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Sunday.
7. **Baylor (14-2) did not play. Next: at Kansas, Sunday.**
8. South Carolina (16-2) did not play. Next: vs. Alabama, Sunday.
9. North Carolina (15-3) did not play. Next: at Boston College, Sunday.
10. Kentucky (14-3) did not play. Next: at Auburn, Sunday.
11. Oklahoma State (16-1) beat Texas Tech 82-56. Next: at Kansas, Wednesday.
12. Tennessee (14-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 2 Notre Dame, Monday.
13. Iowa State (14-3) lost to Kansas State 80-74. Next: vs. Oklahoma, Tuesday.
14. LSU (14-3) did not play. Next: at No. 24 Vanderbilt, Sunday.
15. California (12-4) did not play. Next: at Arizona, Monday.
16. Penn State (12-4) did not play. Next: at Michigan State, Sunday.
17. Florida State (14-3) did not play. Next: at Virginia, Sunday.
18. Nebraska (13-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 22 Purdue, Sunday.
19. Arizona State (15-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 4 Stanford, Monday.
20. NC State (16-2) did not play. Next: at Miami, Sunday.
21. Colorado (11-5) did not play. Next: at Washington, Sunday.
22. Purdue (12-5) did not play. Next: at No. 18 Nebraska, Sunday.
23. Rutgers (13-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 1 UConn, Sunday.
24. Vanderbilt (15-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 14 LSU, Sunday.
25. Texas A&M (14-4) did not play. Next: vs. Mississippi State, Sunday.

SATURDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Cent. Arkansas 67, Abilene Christian 54
Huston-Tillotson 85, Jarvis Christian 64
Incarnate Word 67, Oral Roberts 64
Oklahoma St. 82, Texas Tech 56
Rice 74, Marshall 68, OT
Southern U. 84, Ark.-Pine Bluff 70
Texas-Dallas 73, Concordia-Austin 66
Texas-Pan American 66, Chicago St. 44
Tulsa 78, FIU 73
UTSA 58, North Texas 56

FAR WEST

CS Northridge 64, UC Santa Barbara 46
Cal Poly 107, Long Beach St. 102, OT
Colorado St. 87, Air Force 49
E. Washington 78, Sacramento St. 65
Fresno St. 75, New Mexico 73
Hawaii 74, UC Riverside 61
Idaho 96, CS Bakersfield 69
Idaho St. 69, S. Utah 65
N. Arizona 88, Portland St. 67
N. Colorado 57, Montana 54
New Mexico St. 106, UMKC 77
Pacific 75, Pepperdine 64
Saint Mary's (Cal) 78, Loyola Marymount 74
San Diego 60, BYU 45
San Jose St. 74, Wyoming 68
Seattle 75, Utah Valley 67

SOUTH

Alabama St. 92, Alabama A&M 45
Arkansas St. 67, W. Kentucky 64
Campbell 46, Presbyterian 43
Chattanooga 75, Wofford 36
Coastal Carolina 77, Charleston Southern 63
Davidson 79, Georgia Southern 66
E. Kentucky 68, Jacksonville St. 61
East Carolina 86, Louisiana Tech 55
Florida Gulf Coast 69, Mercer 57
George Washington 94, George Mason 68
Georgia St. 61, UALR 59
Hampton 80, Coppin St. 52
High Point 81, Gardner-Webb 77
Howard 77, Md.-Eastern Shore 75, OT
Jackson St. 83, Prairie View 82, 2OT
Jacksonville 67, N. Kentucky 56
MVSU 70, Alcorn St. 55
McNeese St. 66, Houston Baptist 62
Memphis 48, Houston 40
Middle Tennessee 61, UAB 55
NC Central 75, Delaware St. 61
Nicholls St. 67, Texas A&M-CC 60
Norfolk St. 61, Morgan St. 52
North Florida 78, Lipscomb 66
Old Dominion 80, FAU 44
SC State 68, Florida A&M 57
SE Louisiana 67, Lamar 62
Sam Houston St. 78, New Orleans 47
Samford 59, Furman 58
Savannah St. 58, Bethune-Cookman 54
South Alabama 72, Louisiana-Monroe 70
South Florida 63, UCF 38
Stetson 98, Kennesaw St. 75
Tennessee St. 64, Belmont 51
Texas Southern 77, Grambling St. 63
Troy 87, Louisiana-Lafayette 75
Tulane 73, Southern Miss. 71, OT
UNC Asheville 83, Liberty 80, OT
UT-Martin 74, Morehead St. 52
Winthrop 70, Longwood 49

MIDWEST

Akron 77, Kent St. 51
Austin Peay 64, E. Illinois 56
Ball St. 79, Ohio 63
Butler 58, Creighton 52
Cent. Michigan 82, Bowling Green 79, OT
Green Bay 90, Cleveland St. 72
IPFW 96, South Dakota 78
IUPUI 82, Denver 66
Ill.-Chicago 78, Oakland 65
Kansas St. 80, Iowa St. 74
Michigan 69, Illinois 60
Missouri St. 89, Drake 66
Montana St. 76, North Dakota 65
N. Dakota St. 83, W. Illinois 77
N. Illinois 69, Miami (Ohio) 66
Northwestern 74, Wisconsin 58
S. Dakota St. 80, Nebraska-Omaha 66
SIU-Edwardsville 71, Murray St. 67
St. John's 49, Marquette 47
Temple 58, Cincinnati 47
W. Michigan 78, Toledo 72
Wichita St. 80, N. Iowa 47
Wright St. 79, Valparaiso 65
Xavier 75, Providence 52
Youngstown St. 87, Milwaukee 71

EAST

Albany (NY) 84, Maine 56
American U. 72, Lafayette 57
Bryant 72, LIU Brooklyn 66
Bucknell 56, Army 55
Buffalo 84, E. Michigan 83, OT
CCSU 72, Fairleigh Dickinson 67
Columbia 71, Cornell 64
Dartmouth 48, NJIT 45
Duquesne 62, Rhode Island 47
Iona 64, Fairfield 59
Lehigh 87, Holy Cross 82
Mount St. Mary's 89, Wagner 78
Navy 71, Colgate 40
New Hampshire 61, Hartford 56
Quinnipiac 70, Siena 49
Rider 56, St. Peter's 55
Robert Morris 83, St. Francis (Pa.) 69
Seton Hall 73, Georgetown 62
St. Bonaventure 62, Saint Louis 60
St. Francis (NY) 69, Sacred Heart 49
VCU 81, UMass 51
Vermont 63, UMBC 59
West Virginia 77, Oklahoma 63

TODAY'S GAMES

SOUTHWEST

Louisville at SMU, 12:30 p.m.
Texas at TCU, 1 p.m.
Mississippi at Arkansas, 2 p.m.
Mississippi St. at Texas A&M, 2 p.m.

SOUTH

Duke at Virginia Tech, 11 a.m.
Georgia at Florida, Noon
Kentucky at Auburn, 1 p.m.
W. Carolina at Elon, 1 p.m.
Georgia Tech at Maryland, 1 p.m.
N.C. State at Miami, 1 p.m.
Appalachian St. at UNC Greensboro, 1 p.m.
LSU at Vanderbilt, 1 p.m.
Florida St. at Virginia, 1 p.m.
Alabama at South Carolina, 2 p.m.
S.C.-Upstate at ETSU, 3 p.m.

MIDWEST

Minnesota at Indiana, 1 p.m.
Villanova at DePaul, 2 p.m.
Illinois St. at Evansville, 2 p.m.
Baylor at Kansas, 2 p.m.
Bradley at Loyola of Chicago, 2 p.m.
Iowa at Ohio St., 2 p.m.
Indiana St. at S. Illinois, 2:05 p.m.
Fordham at Dayton, 2:30 p.m.
Penn St. at Michigan St., 4 p.m.
Purdue at Nebraska, 4 p.m.

FAR WEST

Utah at Washington St., 2 p.m.
Portland at San Francisco, 4 p.m.
Gonzaga at Santa Clara, 4 p.m.
Oregon at Southern Cal, 4 p.m.
Colorado at Washington, 6 p.m.

EAST

North Carolina at Boston College, Noon
Boston U. at Loyola (Md.), Noon
Drexel at Delaware, 1 p.m.
James Madison at Hofstra, 1 p.m.
Monmouth (N.J.) at Niagara, 1 p.m.
Charleston at Northeastern, 1 p.m.
Syracuse at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
UNC Wilmington at Towson, 1 p.m.
Marist at Canisius, 2 p.m.
UConn at Rutgers, 2 p.m.
Saint Joseph's at La Salle, 4 p.m.

NBAROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

ROCKETS 114
BUCKS 104

HOUSTON — Terrence Jones had a career-high 36 points and 11 rebounds, and Houston led from the start.

Jones had 25 points by halftime, matching his previous career-best set on Wednesday, and James Harden added 22 points.

Houston led by 17 points before the Bucks got within six points in the third quarter. The Rockets responded with a big run to extend the lead and hold on for the victory.

Brandon Knight scored 26 points with seven assists for the NBA-worst Bucks, who have dropped eight in a row.

HEAT 104
BOBCATS 96, OT

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — LeBron James had 34 points and eight rebounds, and the Miami Heat beat the Charlotte Bobcats for the 15th straight time, 104-96 in overtime Saturday night.

James scored six points in the extra period, including two driving layups to lift the Heat to their second win in two nights. Chris Bosh added 25 points and seven rebounds for Miami.

PACERS 106
CLIPPERS 92

INDIANAPOLIS — Paul George scored 36 points and Lance Stephenson added 22 points and 12 rebounds to lead Indiana to its fourth straight win, all by double digits.

The Pacers, though, missed a chance to win four in a row by 20 or more points for the first time in franchise history. Indiana retained the league's top record and improved to 21-1 at home before heading West for a five-game road trip.

David J. Phillip/AP

Houston's James Harden (13) goes up for a shot as Milwaukee's O.J. Mayo (00) and Larry Sanders (8) defend during the fourth quarter of Saturday's game in Houston.

TIMBERWOLVES 98
JAZZ 72

MINNEAPOLIS — Nikola Pekovic had 27 points and 14 rebounds in three quarters to lead Minnesota.

Kevin Love had 18 points, 13 rebounds and five assists, and Kevin Martin scored 20 points to help the Timberwolves snap a three-game losing streak that included losses to Sacramento and Toronto. The Wolves scored 28 points off 16 Utah turnovers and outscored the Jazz 50-18 in the paint for a much-needed blowout.

WARRIORS 97
PELICANS 87

NEW ORLEANS — Stephen Curry scored 28 points, David Lee added 22 and Golden State sent New Orleans to its eighth straight loss.

Anthony Davis had 31 points and 17 rebounds in his seventh straight game with more than 20 points, but that was only enough to keep the Pelicans competitive into the final minutes.

BULLS 103
76ERS 78

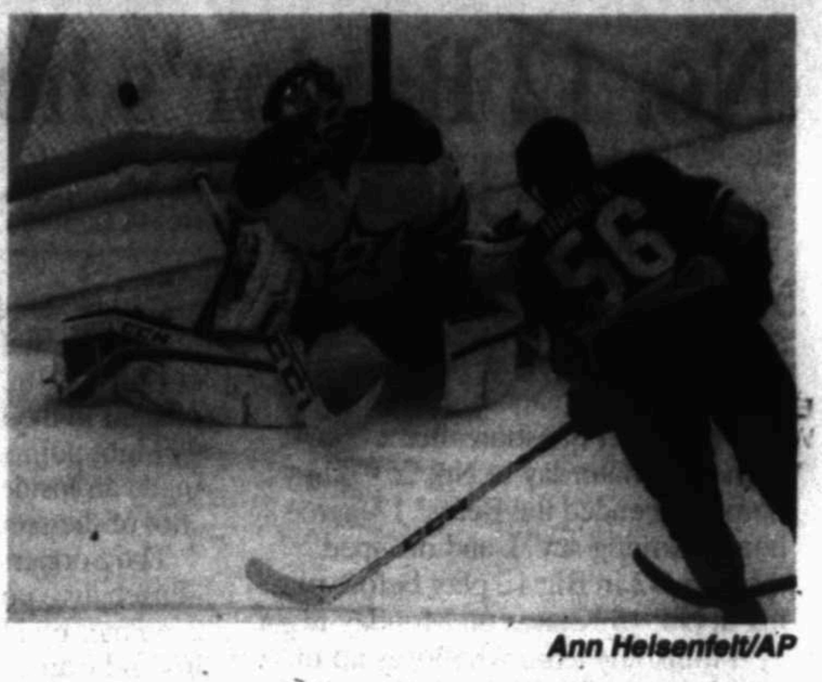
CHICAGO — Joakim Noah had 21 points and 16 rebounds, Carlos Boozer added 15 points and 13 boards, and Chicago won for the seventh time in nine games this month.

Noah extended his streak of double-digit rebound games to 12, the longest stretch of his career.

PISTONS 104
WIZARDS 98

WASHINGTON — Josh Smith overcame a slow start to score 22 points and Rodney Stuckey added 20 to lead Detroit.

Greg Monroe had 12 points and 10 rebounds and Andre Drummond added 10 points and a game-high 13 boards as the Pistons outrebounded the Wizards 44-35.



Ann Heisenfelt/AP

A shot by Minnesota left wing Erik Haula (56) gets past Dallas goalie Kari Lehtonen for a goal during the first period of Saturday's game in St. Paul, Minn.

Prosser scores in OT as Wild beat Stars

Associated Press

Wild	3
Stars	2 (OT)

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Nate Prosser scored his third career goal at 2:42 of overtime, lifting the Minnesota Wild over the Dallas Stars 3-2 on Saturday night.

Prosser netted the winning score for the second time in as many games. The 27-year-old defenseman sent Nino Niederreiter's rebound past Kari Lehtonen's glove for Minnesota's third win in its last four games.

Erik Haula and Ryan Suter also scored for the Wild, and Darcy Kuemper stopped 33 shots. Kuemper made his fourth straight start and is 4-1 in five starts since Jan. 7.

Ryan Garbutt and Alex Chiasson scored for the slumping Stars, who have only one win in their last nine games. Lehtonen made 16 saves.

Haula's first career goal put Minnesota up 1-0 at 7:11 in the first. After knocking the puck away from Eric Cole along the boards, the former University of Minnesota standout skated ahead and beat Lehtonen on that stick side.

But the Wild had only three shots in the opening period, with Dallas outworking the home team on offense. Minnesota failed to get a shot off during an extended power play late in the period when Shawn Horcoff received a double minor for high-sticking.

Dallas tied it at 11:57 of the second on Garbutt's 10th goal of the season. Garbutt picked up a rebound off Vernon Fiddler's shot in front of the net and knocked it in past Kuemper.

Wild coach Mike Yeo then called for a timeout to rally his team, and his players responded.

Minnesota reclaimed the lead when Suter wristed a shot from the left circle through a crowd and past Lehtonen at 14:09.

Chiasson's power-play goal for Dallas tied it with just over 10 minutes to play.

Mavericks

From 1C

Portland shot 51 percent (46 for 90) for the game, including 59 percent (26 for 44) for a 71-52 halftime lead.

The Trail Blazers' defense also was superb, holding the Mavericks to 39 percent shooting (26 for 66) while running up a 104-70 lead after three quarters.

Portland had 30 fast-break points to Dallas' 5.

"They're obviously a tough team to defend," Nowitzki said. "They have LaMarcus on the block and they have shooters out there. They really got whatever they wanted for three quarters and they were very good."

Carlisle found a silver lining in the fourth quarter, when the Mavericks outscored the Trail Blazers 41-23.

"The guys that were in there in the fourth quarter really fought," he said. "I'm going to find guys that will fight and get them in the game, simple as that."

Jae Crowder scored all 13 of his points in the fourth quarter, and DeJuan Blair had 11 of his 13.

The Mavericks' Devin Harris played 17 minutes and scored six points in his first game this season following toe surgery.

Harris played the first 3 1/2 of his 10 NBA seasons with Dallas, and re-signed with the team last summer, but missed the first 41 games.

He received a standing ovation when he entered the game with 3:22 remaining in the first quarter. Harris missed his first two free throws, but hit a long 2-point field goal at the buzzer later in the quarter.

"I actually like what I saw," Nowitzki said. "We're looking forward to getting him out there more and more and playing at a high level."

Portland's lead grew to 18 in the second quarter, but the Mavericks battled back within 54-46 with an 18-8 run. With the Trail Blazers' starting lineup back in the game, they scored 17 of the final 23 points in the second quarter.

Aldridge and Batum each had 17 first-half points.

The third quarter also started well for Portland, which quickly stretched its advantage to 83-58.

NBA STANDINGS AND BOXES

STANDINGS
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	20	18	.526	—
Brooklyn	16	22	.421	4
New York	15	25	.375	6
Boston	14	27	.341	7 1/2
Philadelphia	13	27	.325	8
Southeast Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Miami	29	11	.725	—
Atlanta	20	19	.513	8 1/2
Washington	19	20	.487	9 1/2
Charlotte	17	25	.405	13
Orlando	10	30	.250	19
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Indiana	32	7	.821	—
Chicago	19	20	.487	13
Detroit	17	23	.425	15 1/2
Cleveland	15	25	.375	17 1/2
Milwaukee	7	32	.179	25

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	31	9	.775	—
Houston	27	15	.643	5
Dallas	24	18	.571	8
Memphis	20	19	.513	10 1/2
New Orleans	15	24	.385	15 1/2
Northwest Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Portland	31	9	.775	—
Oklahoma City	30	10	.750	1
Denver	20	19	.513	10 1/2
Minnesota	19	21	.475	12
Utah	14	28	.333	18
Pacific Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
L.A. Clippers	28	14	.667	—
Golden State	26	16	.619	2
Phoenix	22	17	.564	4 1/2
L.A. Lakers	15	25	.375	12
Sacramento	14	24	.368	12

Saturday's Scores
Indiana 106, L.A. Clippers 92
Detroit 104, Washington 98
Miami 104, Charlotte 96, OT
Chicago 103, Philadelphia 78
Minnesota 98, Utah 72
Houston 114, Milwaukee 104
Golden State 97, New Orleans 87
Portland 127, Dallas 111

Today's Games
L.A. Lakers at Toronto, Noon
Boston at Orlando, 5 p.m.
Sacramento at Oklahoma City, 6 p.m.
Milwaukee at San Antonio, 6 p.m.
Denver at Phoenix, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY'S BOXES

TRAIL BLAZERS 127, MAVERICKS 111

PORTLAND (127): Batum 8-11 2-3 21, Aldridge 11-18 8-9 30, Lopez 7-13 2-2 16, Lillard 3-8 6-6 14, Matthews 3-10 2-2 10, Williams 3-6 2-2 8, Freeland 3-3 0-0 6, McCollum 3-7 2-2 9, Robinson 4-5 0-0 8, Leonard 0-3 0-0 0, Barton 1-3 2-2 5, D.Wright 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 46-90 26-28 127.

DALLAS (111): Marion 1-6 0-0 3, Nowitzki 6-17 5-5 18, Dalembert 1-2 0-0 2, Calderon 2-6 1-1 5, Ellis 6-12 3-5 15, Carter 4-8 2-2 11, Blair 5-8 3-3 13, Harris 2-4 2-4 6, Larkin 3-6 3-4 9, B.Wright 4-8 0-0 8, Crowder 5-8 0-0 13, Ellington 3-5 1-1 8. Totals 42-90 20-25 111.

Portland	35	36	33	23	— 127
Dallas	23	29	18	41	— 111

3-Point Goals—Portland 9-26 (Batum 3-6, Lillard 2-6, Matthews 2-7, Barton 1-2, McCollum 1-2, Williams 0-1, D.Wright 0-2), Dallas 7-18 (Crowder 3-6, Carter 1-1, Ellington 1-1, Marion 1-2, Nowitzki 1-5, Larkin 0-1, Calderon 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Portland 60 (Lopez, Aldridge 12), Dallas 39 (Dalembert 6). Assists—Portland 26 (Lillard 10), Dallas 15 (Larkin 4). Total Fouls—Portland 20, Dallas 23. Technicals—Matthews, Dalembert, Nowitzki. A—20,375 (19,200).

ROCKETS 114, BUCKS 104

MILWAUKEE (104): Antetokounmpo 4-10 0-0 10, Ilyasova 1-3 2-2 5, Sanders 5-8 2-6 12, Knight 9-16 5-7 26, Ridnour 5-8 0-0 14, Henson 8-12 4-6 20, Mayo 4-9 0-0 9, Middleton 3-9 0-0 6, Raduljica 0-1 0-0 0, Butler 1-4 0-0 2. Totals 40-80 13-21 104.

HOUSTON (114): Parsons 3-10 1-2 8, Jones 14-20 7-10 36, Howard 8-11 3-7 20, Lin 2-7 2-2 7, Harden 7-16 7-10 22, Casspi 3-11 0-0 6, Motiejunas 1-4 1-2 3, Brooks 3-6 2-2 10, Covington 0-0 0-0 0, Brewer 0-0 0-0 0, Canaan 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 41-85 25-37 114.

Milwaukee	23	29	26	26	— 104
Houston	29	33	29	23	— 114

3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 11-23 (Ridnour 4-4, Knight 3-6, Antetokounmpo 2-4, Ilyasova 1-1, Mayo 1-4, Middleton 0-4), Houston 7-27 (Brooks 2-4, Howard 1-1, Lin 1-1, Jones 1-2, Parsons 1-5, Harden 1-6, Motiejunas 0-2, Casspi 0-6). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Milwaukee 48 (Henson 15), Houston 56 (Howard 14). Assists—Milwaukee 23 (Knight 7), Houston 20 (Brooks, Harden, Lin 4). Total Fouls—Milwaukee 24, Houston 19. Technicals—Ridnour, Sanders. A—18,082 (18,023).

PISTONS 104, WIZARDS 98

DETROIT (104): Smith 8-17 6-10 22, Monroe 5-7 2-5 12, Drummond 5-6 0-2 10, Jennings 4-13 3-4 14, Caldwell-Pope 2-10 0-0 5, Stuckey 8-15 4-5 20, Singler 5-6 2-4 14, Bynum 3-7 1-1 7. Totals 40-81 18-31 104.

WASHINGTON (98): Ariza 1-7 4-4 7, Nene 5-9 4-10 14, Gortat 4-6 2-2 10, Wall 15-23 2-4 34, Beal 2-14 2-3 7, Booker 0-0 0-0 0, Webster 6-8 0-0 15, Temple 1-4 1-2 4, Vesely 3-5 1-4 7. Totals 37-76 16-29 98.

Detroit	22	24	33	25	— 104
Washington	29	25	22	22	— 98

3-Point Goals—Detroit 6-21 (Jennings 3-8, Singler 2-3, Caldwell-Pope 1-6, Stuckey 0-1, Smith 0-3), Washington 8-21 (Webster 3-5, Wall 2-2, Temple 1-3, Ariza 1-4, Beal 1-7). Fouled Out—Webster. Rebounds—Detroit 59 (Drummond 13), Washington 47 (Gortat 12). Assists—Detroit 17 (Jennings 8), Washington 22 (Ariza 7). Total Fouls—Detroit 24, Washington 26. Technicals—Detroit defensive three second. A—17,039 (20,308).

PACERS 106, CLIPPERS 92

L.A. CLIPPERS (92): Dudley 2-3 0-0 6, Griffin 6-18 7-8 19, Jordan 5-9 2-4 12, Collison 4-8 2-2 10, Redick 4-17 0-0 8, Crawford 7-18 6-6 22, Barnes 2-5 0-0 4, Hollins 1-2 2-2 4, Morris 0-1 0-0 0, Turkoglu 1-1 2-2 4, Mullens 1-1 0-0 3. Totals 33-83 21-24 92.

INDIANA (106): George 12-17 7-7 36, West 2-4 0-0 4, Hibbert 2-11 0-0 4, G.Hill 2-5 2-2 6, Stephenson 8-17 6-7 22, Scola 2-5 4-4 8, Granger 4-13 2-2 12, Watson 5-8 0-0 11, Mahinmi 0-0 0-0 0, Butler 0-1 0-0 0, Johnson 0-1 0-0 0, Copeland 1-1 0-0 3, Sloan 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-83 21-22 106.

L.A. Clippers	18	23	27	24	— 92
Indiana	28	29	21	28	— 106

3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 5-20 (Dudley 2-2, Crawford 2-7, Mullens 1-1, Griffin 0-1, Barnes 0-2, Redick 0-7), Indiana 9-19 (George 5-6, Granger 2-5, Copeland 1-1, Watson 1-3, Butler 0-1, Stephenson 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 47 (Jordan 17), Indiana 52 (Stephenson 12). Assists—L.A. Clippers 17 (Griffin, Redick, Collison 4), Indiana 17 (Stephenson 7). Total Fouls—L.A. Clippers 18, Indiana 25. Technicals—Jordan, Stephenson. Flagrant Fouls—West. Ejected—West. A—18,165 (18,165).

HEAT 104, BOBCATS 96, OT

MIAMI (104): James 13-25 8-10 34, Battier 0-0 0-0 0, Bosh 10-16 2-3 25, Chalmers 3-8 3-4 9, Allen 5-11 1-1 12, Cole 1-6 0-0 3, Haslem 2-6 2-5 6, Lewis 3-5 0-0 7, Mason Jr. 1-1 0-0 2, Beasley 1-1 2-4 5, Oden 0-0 1-2 1. Totals 39-79 19-29 104.

CHARLOTTE (96): Kidd-Gilchrist 2-3 0-0 5, McRoberts 3-6 2-2 10, Jefferson 10-23 2-6 22, Walker 1-7 4-5 6, Henderson 4-11 3-3 11, Zeller 2-4 1-1 5, Sessions 6-10 4-4 16, Tolliver 4-7 0-0 11, Biyombo 3-3 1-2 7, Douglas-Roberts 1-1 0-0 3. Totals 36-75 17-23 96.

Miami	27	26	22	15	14	— 104
Charlotte	29	31	16	14	6	— 96

3-Point Goals—Miami 7-21 (Bosh 3-6, Beasley 1-1, Cole 1-2, Lewis 1-3, Allen 1-5, Chalmers 0-1, James 0-3), Charlotte 7-17 (Tolliver 3-6, McRoberts 2-4, Kidd-Gilchrist 1-1, Douglas-Roberts 1-1, Sessions 0-2, Walker 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Miami 52 (Haslem 10), Charlotte 43 (Jefferson 14). Assists—Miami 16 (James 6), Charlotte 31 (Walker 8). Total Fouls—Miami 23, Charlotte 23. Technicals—Charlotte defensive three second. A—19,631 (19,077).

TIMBERWOLVES 98, JAZZ 72

UTAH (72): Jefferson 1-6 0-0 2, Williams 1-5 2-2 5, Favors 3-10 2-4 8, Burke 2-10 3-3 9, Burks 4-10 9-12 18, Rush 1-6 0-0 3, Garrett 3-7 0-0 8, Kanter 2-5 0-0 4, Lucas III 0-1 0-0 0, Evans 3-7 3-4 9, Clark 1-6 2-2 4, Gobert 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 21-73 23-29 72.

MINNESOTA (98): Brewer 1-3 0-0 2, Love 5-10 6-11 18, Pekovic 12-17 3-3 27, Rubio 2-6 1-2 6, Martin 7-16 5-6 20, Barea 1-6 1-2 3, Shved 3-5 3-6 10, Turiaf 0-0 1-4 1, Budinger 1-5 0-0 3, Dieng 2-2 0-0 4, Cunningham 0-5 0-0 0, Mbah a Moute 1-3 0-0 2, Muhammad 1-5 0-0 2. Totals 36-83 20-34 98.

Utah	14	9	22	27	— 72
Minnesota	23	28	28	19	— 98

3-Point Goals—Utah 7-25 (Garrett 2-4, Burke 2-6, Burks 1-2, Williams 1-3, Rush 1-4, Lucas III 0-1, Jefferson 0-2, Clark 0-3), Minnesota 6-17 (Love 2-4, Rubio 1-1, Shved 1-2, Budinger 1-2, Martin 1-6, Barea 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Utah 48 (Favors, Evans 10), Minnesota 71 (Pekovic 14). Assists—Utah 12 (Burks 4), Minnesota 25 (Rubio 9). Total Fouls—Utah 25, Minnesota 24. A—17,111 (19,356).

WARRIORS 97, PELICANS 87

GOLDEN STATE (97): Iguodala 3-7 2-2 8, Lee 9-19 4-4 22, Bogut 5-5 0-0 10, Curry 10-22 6-6 28, Thompson 3-14 0-0 8, Barnes 0-4 0-0 0, Crawford 4-6 0-0 10, Green 1-1 2-4 4, Speights 2-5 3-3 7, Bazemore 0-1 0-0 0, Brooks 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-84 17-19 97.

NEW ORLEANS (87): Aminu 5-12 2-4 12, Davis 11-17 9-12 31, Stiemsma 1-4 0-0 2, Roberts 3-7 2-3 9, Gordon 3-17 2-2 8, Ajinca 0-1 2-2 2, Evans 6-14 2-2 14, Rivers 0-4 0-0 0, Miller 2-4 1-1 6, Withey 1-3 1-2 3. Totals 32-83 21-28 87.

Golden State	24	28	26	19	— 97
New Orleans	29	25	18	15	— 87

3-Point Goals—Golden State 6-22 (Crawford 2-3, Thompson 2-7, Curry 2-9, Barnes 0-1, Bazemore 0-1, Iguodala 0-1), New Orleans 2-11 (Roberts 1-2, Miller 1-3, Gordon 0-6). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Golden State 50 (Bogut 15), New Orleans 57 (Davis 17). Assists—Golden State 17 (Curry 8), New Orleans 18 (Gordon 6). Total Fouls—Golden State 20, New Orleans 17. A—18,045 (17,188).

BULLS 103, 76ERS 78

PHILADELPHIA (78): Turner 3-8 1-2 7, Young 6-17 0-0 12, Hawes 3-8 2-2 9, Carter-Williams 5-22 0-0 10, Anderson 5-11 0-0 11, Allen 3-7 0-0 6, Wroten 1-4 0-0 2, Dedmon 4-5 0-0 8, Thompson 2-5 0-1 4, Williams 0-4 2-4 2, Brown 1-4 2-2 4, Davies 1-2 1-1 3. Totals 34-97 8-12 78.

CHICAGO (103): Dunleavy 3-8 0-0 7, Boozer 5-8 5-8 15, Noah 9-14 3-3 21, Hinrich 2-6 2-2 6, Butler 4-11 2-2 10, Gibson 4-7 0-0 8, Snell 4-12 2-2 13, Augustin 7-10 3-3 19, Mohammed 2-5 0-0 4, Martin 0-0 0-0 0, Murphy 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 40-82 17-20 103.

Philadelphia	19	12	20	27	— 78
Chicago	24	27	27	25	— 103

3-Point Goals—Philadelphia 2-19 (Anderson 1-3, Hawes 1-4, Turner 0-1, Allen 0-1, Thompson 0-1, Carter-Williams 0-1, Brown 0-1, Williams 0-2, Young 0-5), Chicago 6-20 (Snell 3-7, Augustin 2-4, Dunleavy 1-3, Hinrich 0-2, Butler 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Philadelphia 54 (Dedmon, Anderson 7), Chicago 58 (Noah 16). Assists—Philadelphia 17 (Carter-Williams 5), Chicago 27 (Augustin 8). Total Fouls—Philadelphia 20, Chicago 15. Technicals—Philadelphia delay of game, Boozer, Hinrich, Chicago delay of game. A—21,710 (20,917).

NHL STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	47	30	15	2	62	136	104
Tampa Bay	49	28	16	5	61	141	120
Montreal	49	27	17	5	59	126	120
Toronto	50	25	20	5	55	141	152
Detroit	48	21	17	10	52	121	130
Ottawa	49	21	19	9	51	139	155
Florida	48	18	23	7	43	111	147
Buffalo	47	13	27	7	33	86	133
Metropolitan Division	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**Pts**	**GF**	**GA**
Pittsburgh	48	34	12	2	70	156	115
Philadelphia	49	25	19	5	55	134	140
N.Y. Rangers	50	26	21	3	55	124	127
Columbus	48	24	20	4	52	138	135
Washington	48	22	18	8	52	141	146
New Jersey	50	20	19	11	51	115	123
Carolina	47	20	18	9	49	114	132
N.Y. Islanders	50	19	24	7	45	138	163

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	50	31	8	11	73	181	137
St. Louis	47	32	10	5	69	166	107
Colorado	48	31	12	5	67	142	122
Minnesota	51	27	19	5	59	125	125
Dallas	48	21	19	8	50	136	148
Nashville	50	21	22	7	49	121	151
Winnipeg	50	22	23	5	49	141	150
Pacific Division	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**Pts**	**GF**	**GA**
Anaheim	51	37	9	5	79	175	126
San Jose	49	31	12	6	68	158	121
Los Angeles	49	29	14	6	64	126	100
Vancouver	49	24	16	9	57	124	125
Phoenix	48	23	16	9	55	139	145
Calgary	48	16	26	6	38	107	153
Edmonton	51	15	30	6	36	131	181

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Saturday's Scores
Columbus 4, Buffalo 3, SO
Detroit 3, Los Angeles 2, SO
N.Y. Rangers 4, Ottawa 1
San Jose 5, Tampa Bay 4
Winnipeg 3, Edmonton 2, OT
Toronto 5, Montreal 3
Philadelphia 6, N.Y. Islanders 4
Carolina 3, Florida 2
Anaheim 3, St. Louis 2
Colorado 5, Nashville 4
Phoenix 3, New Jersey 2
Minnesota 3, Dallas 2, OT
Calgary at Vancouver, late

Today's Games
Boston at Chicago, 11:30 a.m.
Tampa Bay at Carolina, 4 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 6:30 p.m.

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Garoppolo's TD pass helps East beat West

East 23
West 13

By Fred Goodall
Associated Press

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Jimmy Garoppolo threw a short second-quarter touchdown pass and Nevin Lawson returned a fourth-quarter fumble 5 yards for another TD to lead the East to a 23-13 victory in the 89th East-West Shrine game on Saturday.

Coastal Carolina's Matt Hazel scored on the 1-yard scoring pass from Garoppolo, the Eastern Illinois standout who completed nine of 14 passes for 100 yards and no interceptions. Arkansas' Zach Hocker kicked three field goals for the East, including a 56-yarder that snapped a 13-13 tie early in the fourth quarter.

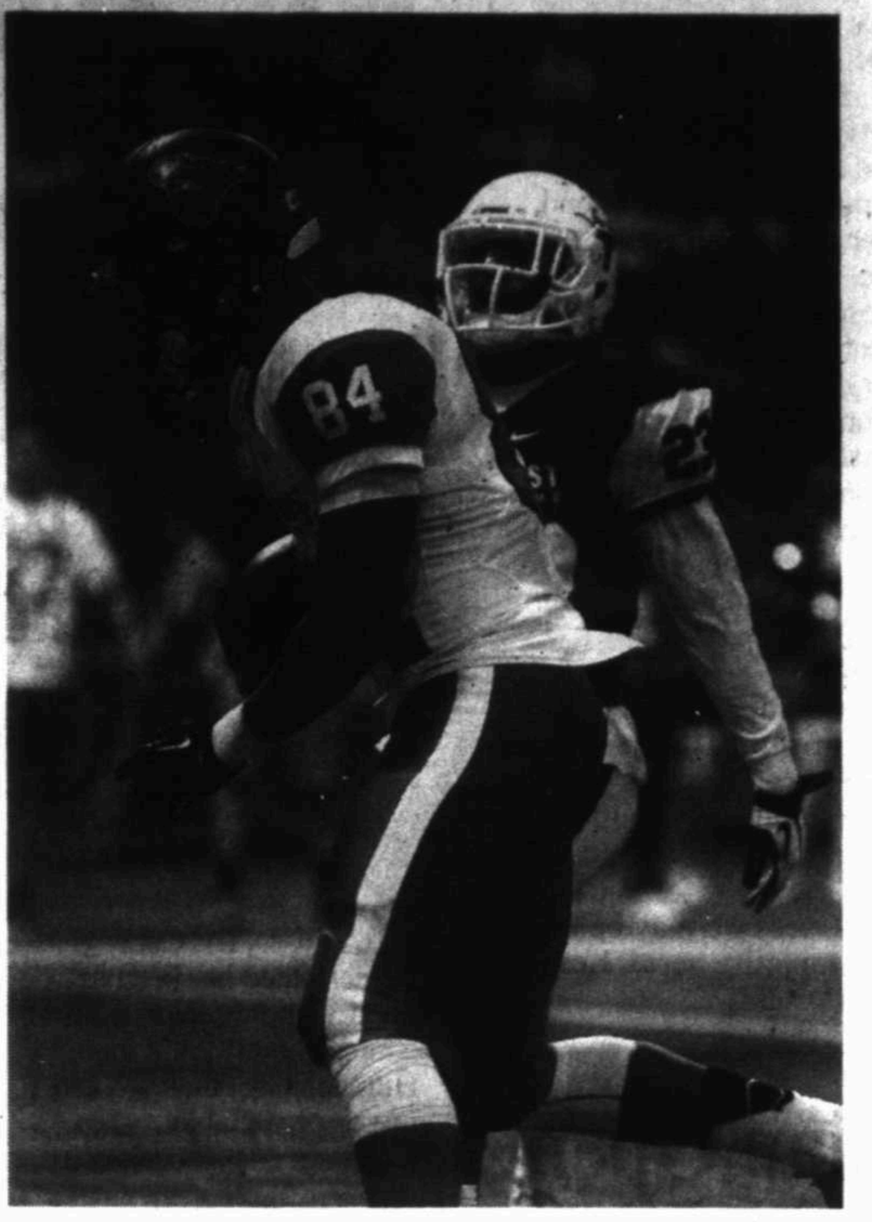
Nevin, a cornerback from Utah State, scooped up a fumble forced by Western Kentucky's Andrew Jackson to put the East up 23-13 with 9:38 to go.

Heisman Trophy finalist Jordan Lynch of Northern Illinois started at quarterback for the East and threw a pair of first-quarter interceptions while also failing to get his team into the end zone after Ball State's Keith Wenning lost a fumble for the West on the second play of the game.

Hoping to capitalize on the quick turnover, Lynch overthrew potential scoring passes to Michigan's Jeremy Gallon and Miami's Allen Hurns before the East settled for a 31-yard field goal. Two of his next three passes were intercepted by Arizona State's Alden Darby and Arizona's Shaquille Richardson.

More than 100 players from last winter's East-West game wound up in NFL camps, and this year's participants were hoping to make the most of an opportunity to showcase their skills for pro scouts.

Lynch, who finished 2 of 7 passing for 3 yards, was a Heisman Trophy finalist in 2013 and led Northern Illinois to a BCS bowl berth as a junior and a 24-4 record in two years as a starter.



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East receiver Matt Hazel (84), of Coastal Carolina, catches a pass in the end zone for a touchdown in front of West defensive back Carrington Byndom (23), of Texas, during the first half of the East-West Shrine Classic game Saturday in St. Petersburg, Fla.

AFC

From 1C

is because, more often than not, he's been surrounded by the more complete team.

He has been anything but a one-man show in New England this season, illustrated best by the fact that the Patriots are in the AFC title game even though Brady threw for 25 touchdowns — less than half of Manning's record-setting 55.

Without Rob Gronkowski, Aaron Hernandez or Wes Welker to throw to, Brady made it work, with a big assist from head coach Bill Belichick and offensive coordinator Josh McDaniels, who used to coach the Broncos.

New England's running game, led by LeGarrette Blount and Shane Vereen, has averaged 214 yards the last three games. Brady's 75 passes over the last three games are the fewest of any three-game stretch in his career.

Welker, who played with Brady for six years before coming to Denver this season, says it's not so much stats or physical attributes that defines these two Hall-of-Fame quarterbacks.

"They do a great job of keeping guys accountable, and their leadership skills and everything else," he said. "They are two guys you want quarterbacking your team. It's a toss-up between those two."

Manning has thrown for 92 touchdowns since arriving in Denver at the start of the 2012 season, his neck rebuilt from multiple surgeries, his future uncertain because of his weakened throwing arm.

He'd be the first to admit he's not the same as he once was, physically. But nobody prepares better.

His record-setting 5,477 yards and all those touchdown throws came with a gifted group of offensive stars surrounding him — Welker, Eric Decker, Demaryius Thomas and this season's difference maker, 6-foot-5 tight end Julius Thomas. But Manning had great players around him in Indianapolis, as well, and never put up these sort of numbers.

"Honestly, no one will probably ever break that, not in this day and age," former Broncos receiver Rod Smith said.

Today, Brady, who missed parts of practice early in the week with the flu, will be going against a depleted secondary that just lost cornerback Chris Harris Jr., which will make Champ Bailey — injured most of the season — a bigger cog for the Denver 'D.'

And the Patriots will likely invite the Broncos to run— much the way they did in their 34-31 overtime loss in Week 12 — knowing the best chance of beating them is by taking the ball out of Manning's hands.

This 60 minutes (or more), their first title-game meeting since Manning's 38-34 comeback win en route to his first Super Bowl in 2007, could mark the last time the top two QBs of their — or any — era meet for these stakes.

Brady is 36 and, though relatively healthy, he has taken a beating over his career. Some say the Patriots, their roster decimated by injuries, defections and the arrest of Hernandez, got this far on smoke and mirrors this season. How much longer can they hold things together at a championship level?

And Manning? He is 37 and his future will largely depend on how his neck looks when doctors examine it during the offseason. The Broncos, meanwhile, are built to win right now, and have made it this far despite a rash of injuries on both sides of the ball.

No guarantees about the future.

"They're thinking about it during the week," Simms said. "When they play, they play. But when it's over, one of them will go, 'Yep, I got him again.'"

NFL Playoffs

Wild-card Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 4
Indianapolis 45, Kansas City 44
New Orleans 26, Philadelphia 24
Sunday, Jan. 5
San Diego 27, Cincinnati 10
San Francisco 23, Green Bay 20
Divisional Playoffs
Saturday, Jan. 11
Seattle 23, New Orleans 15
New England 43, Indianapolis 22
Sunday, Jan. 12
San Francisco 23, Carolina 10
Denver 24, San Diego 17
Conference Championships
Today
New England at Denver, 2 p.m. (CBS)
San Francisco at Seattle, 5:30 p.m. (FOX)
Pro Bowl
Sunday, Jan. 26
At Honolulu
TBD, 6:30 p.m. (NBC)
Super Bowl
Sunday, Feb. 2
At East Rutherford, N.J.
AFC champion vs. NFC champion, 5:30 p.m. (FOX)

Copeland leads Team National to win

Associated Press

Team National 31
Team American 17

CARSON, Calif. — LSU fullback J.C. Copeland ran for a pair of 1-yard touchdowns, Stanford's Anthony Wilkerson ran for 67 yards and a touchdown and Team National used a second half surge to beat Team American 31-17 in the third annual NFLPA Collegiate Bowl.

Copeland, who never had a multi-touchdown game in 42 career games at LSU, was named MVP.

Hawaii quarterback Sean Schroeder completed 13 of 17 passes for 138 yards and a touchdown to lead the American.

The game was tied at 14 at halftime, but the National scored on its first three possessions of the second half to cruise to victory.

Former Chiefs, Eagles and Rams coach Dick Vermeil coached the National side while former Vikings and Cardinals coach Dennis Green coached the American squad. Vermeil has guided the National to victory in all three installments of the game.

Copeland provided all of the National's scoring in the first half, running for both of his short touchdowns in the second quarter. The bruising scoring runs were his only two carries of the game.

NFC

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California, with two national titles.

That there's no love lost between Harbaugh and Carroll dating back to when they both were working in college — Harbaugh at Stanford, where he ran up the score on Carroll's Trojans — adds plenty of spice.

The sum total on both sides should be a worthy conference champion to meet either Denver or New England in two weeks in the New Jersey Meadowlands for the NFL crown.

Even if both teams are playing down the drama they figure to provide before an ear-shattering wall of noise at CenturyLink Field today

"I think it's pretty much, the game's a bigger stage and gets you to the Super Bowl obviously," said 49ers defensive lineman Justin Smith. "But I think for the most part how we've gone into every game in the year's past is we try to be as regimented as possible in how we do things. We're not going to get all caught up in 'This game gets us to the Super Bowl or this and that.' We all know. There's nothing that needs to be said or a special meeting or anything."

Just football.

"It's like every game," Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson confirmed. "Every game is no different even though it's a championship game and all of that. We talk about playing 1-0 every week, and the game doesn't change.

"It comes down to not turning over the football, being in the plus in that situation, having a limited amount of penalties; you're going to get some penalties, especially in a game like this, but not having too many of them.

"The biggest thing is just staying on schedule."

WEST TEXAS SPORTS

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To fax your information, send to 570-7650.

Baseball

GCM Baseball Academy
What: Professional private baseball lessons & clinics covering pitching, fielding, catching and hitting provided by three former professional players
For: Ages 5 & up
Cost: Individual lessons $65 an hour or $40 for 30 minutes. Bulk purchases & group lesson rates available at discount
For more info: Call (432) 425-6108

Private batting and pitching instruction
For more info: Call Danny Jordan at 230-0096 for instruction on mechanics and pitch selection in a one-on-one setting

Private hitting and catching instruction
For more info: Call Scott Chapman at 967-2364 for instruction in a one-on-one environment

Pitching, hitting and fielding lessons
For more info: Call Midland High baseball coach Barry Russell at 296-2438

Private Baseball/Softball lessons
For more info: Contact Extra Innings Midland/Odessa at (432) 617-4487 or visit www.extrainnings-midlandodessa.com

Midland Little League Umpires Needed
For more info: Contact 889-6080

Basketball

Permian Basketball Association needs officials
For more info: Jim Cox, 685-4143 or 553-3714

YMCA needs basketball referees
For more info: 682-2551

Lunch break Pick-up Basketball
When: Noon-1 p.m., Monday-Friday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut Lane
For more info: Call 413-0521

Winter Competitive League
For: Pre-K through 8th grade
When: Registration starts Dec. 1 and continues through Jan. 15
Cost: $60
For more info: Contact Eddie Venzant at 254-6894 or eddie@basinkids.com; Also register at www.basinkids.org

Midland Hoops 32 Basketball Skills Training
Cost: $25 per session, one to two people; $15 for groups of three or more
For more info: Contact Eddie Venzant at 254-6894 or go to midlandhoops32.com; venzanteddie@yahoo.com

2014 Midland Hoops 32 Middle School Showcase
Evaluations by D1 Nation Max Ivany
When: Sunday, Jan. 26. Check-in in from 8-8:45 a.m. with drills and games throughout the day
Where: Midland Christian High School
Fee: $80 per kid (includes T-shirt)
Deadline to register: Saturday, Jan. 25
For more info: Call Eddie Venzant at 432-254-6894 or email venzanteddie@yahoo.com

Bowling

Tuesday Night Petroleum Men's League
When: Meets at 6:45 p.m.
For more info: Melton Post 684-5176 or Cactus Lanes 694-0177

Edith McElmore Three-Person League
When: 10 a.m. Wednesdays
Where: AMF Lanes
For more info: Call AMF Lanes at 689-9725

Camps/Clinics

Ten Star All Star Camp
For whom: Boys and girls ages 10-19
For more info: Call (704) 373-0873 for a brochure

COM Aquatic Camps
What: Swimming, diving, snorkeling
Ages: Preschool and grade school
For more info: Call 684-7755

Beginner tennis clinics
Where: Midland High School tennis courts
When: Monday-Thursday from 8:30 to 10 a.m. or 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For: Kindergarten-12th grade, community-based organizations, parents and adults
Deadline: Two weeks before week wanting to attend
For more info: Call Luis Valdez at 570-6245, Brandi at 687-7059 or Elizabeth at 699-6058

YMCA Basketball Skills Clinic
When: Every Saturday
Times: 1 p.m.-3:45 p.m. for grades 3 through 12
Cost: YMCA Family member: free; YMCA Youth member: $5 and program participant: $10 per visit
For more info: Call Midland YMCA at 682-2551

Cycling

Permian Basin Bicycle Association Meetings
When: 7 p.m., third Monday of every month
Where: Atmos Energy's Fischer Community Room, 2304 Loop 40, Midland International Airport
Dues: $25/$30 for a family
For more info: Peyton's Bikes 699-1718 or go to www.pbbatx.com

Dodgeball

Sticks and Kicks Leagues
Who: Kids, adults, co-ed players
Cost: $35 per player (8 game season)
Where: Register at Sticks and Kicks, 3918 W. Wall
For more info: Call 520-6633

Fitness

Beach Body
When: 7-8 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
Note: Instructor is Tommy Hindman
For more info: Call 685-7355

P-90X/Beach Body Fitness Club
When: 12-1 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Yoga
When: 5:30-6:30 p.m., Tuesdays & Thursdays
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Cardio/Core
When: 11 a.m., Tuesdays & Thursday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Flag Football

YMCA Officials Needed
What: The YMCA needs officials for Youth Flag Football games Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
For more info: Call 682-2551

Football

Permian Basin Officials Chapter seeks officials
Note: Education and training will be provided
For more info: Call Terrell Pierce at 559-5004 or Don Orren at 631-2395

Ice Hockey

Jackalopes Amatur Hockey Association
Where: Odessa
When: October through March
Who: Youth and Adult Leagues will start Oct. 2
For more info: Contact www.jaxyouthhockey@hotmail.com or call 661-3453

Martial Arts

Aikido
When: Monday-Friday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Saturdays, 12:30 p.m.
Note: Specializing in traditional Hombu style Aikido
For more info: Call John Riggs, 684-7008 or 770-3155

Cardio Kickboxing Class
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do and Fitness Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
Cost: $35 a month
For more info: Call 689-8139

Women's Self Defense Class
When: Monday and Wednesday, 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 7:30 p.m.; Friday, 6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
For more info: Call 697-8554

Private Tae Kwon-Do lessons
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
For more info: Call 697-8554

Brazilian Jiu Jitsu
When: 6-8 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, 2-3 p.m. Saturdays
Where: Perez Martial Arts Academy, 350 N. Midland Dr., Suite A
For more info: Call 634-9621 or (469) 248-8472

Matthews Martial Arts
When: Monday through Thursday, 5-8 p.m.
What: Karate-Judo-Jujitsu-Kempo-KungFu
For: Ages 3 and up
Where: 3205 Cuthbert
For more info: Contact Jason Matthews at 488-7467 or 689-8444

Taekwondo
When: 6-7 p.m. Tuesday nights, Saturdays 10-11 a.m.
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Miscellaneous

Student-Athlete Sports Consultant
For: Assisting high school student athletes with academic-athletic scholarships
For more info: Call Jacob Santillano at (915) 240-1030

Etiquette
When: 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays
Note: Instructor is Natalie Cargile
For more info: Call 685-7355

Poker

Lone Star Poker League
What: Free to play Texas Hold 'em Poker tournaments
For: Beginners to experienced players. Ages 21 and up
When/where: 7 p.m., Sunday, Wednesday and Friday at Woofers & Tweeters; 7 p.m., Monday and Tuesday at The Detour. Players must be signed in by 6:45 p.m. each night.
For more info: Go to www.lonestarpokertour.net

Professional Wrestling

Old School Wrestling School
What: Professional wrestling school for all ages
Where: 404 E. 61st St., Odessa
When: 7-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 2-6 p.m. Sunday
Cost: $50 down, $35 a month
For more info: Call Fred, 770-7001, or Sam 349-3055

Rugby

Midland Mad Dog Rugby Club
What: Recruiting for 2012-13 season, no experience necessary
For: Participants 16 years and older, need shorts, t-shirt or jersey, cleats or running shoes, watch
When: Practice is 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays
For more info: Go to www.maddogrugby.com

Midland Rugby (Bloodhounds) Club
For more info: Call Joshua 661-7147

HHD Dads & Lads Rugby
When: 7-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays
Where: Cowden Park
For more info: 212-6088

Running

Permian Basin Running Club
Cost: $20 per year for individual membership, $30 for per year for family membership
For more info: Go to www.pbrunningclub.com or email Shawn Hailey, president at haileyshawn@pbrunningclub.com

Gazelles Training Group
When: 6 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
For more info: Call Popcorn Leonard at 512-762-1020 or 682-0988

Shooting

Comanche Trail Shootists
What: Single Action Shooting Society affiliated club in Midland
When: Monthly shoots first Saturday and third Sunday of each month, first Saturday beginning at 10 a.m., Third Sunday from 1 p.m. (Mandatory safety meeting at 12:30 p.m.) Also shoot on fifth Sunday on months that have them (begin at 1 p.m. and are no cost to the shooter). Mandatory safety meeting at 9:30 a.m.
Where: Timberline Ranch adjacent to Jake's Clays
For more info: Go to comanchetrailshootists.org or call Hoodoo Brown 682-1422

Midland Shooters Association
What: All types of shooting practice and competition, featuring archery, benchrest rifle, bulls-eye rifle, high power rifle, pistol silhouette, rimfire silhouette, 3 gun, practical pistol, skeet, trap 5 stand and sporting clays
When: Members can access rifle and pistol ranges from sunrise to sunset seven days a week. Shotgun ranges open 11 a.m. until dusk Wednesday to Sunday
For more info: Go to www.midlandshooters.com

Soccer

Permian Basin Soccer Association
What: Registration for women's spring/summer season
Where: Dunagan Park, located at corner of Gist and Terrell
When: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For more info: Contact Jesus Chavez at 557-7032 anytime or Josh Chavez at 238-6947 after 6:30 p.m.

Midland Soccer Association
For: Youth Recreational League Ages 4-18
When: Spring/Fall Games
Note: Also information on becoming a certified referee
For more info: Register online at www.midlandsoccer.com and go to 432-684-5425

Softball

Midland Softball Association Tournament Schedule
Now available at www.midlandsoftball.com
For more info: call Tommy Hawkins at 520-9100

Midland Men's Woodbat Fastpitch Association
What: Men's fastpitch softball
For more info: Call 634-6474 or visit www.facebook.com/pages/Midland-Texas-Mens-Fastpitch or wyofastpitch@gmail.com

USA Softball Jr. Men's National Fastpitch Team looking for players
For: Boys players born between 1995 and 1998
Note: No softball experience is needed
For more info: Tim Lyon, USA Jr. Men's National Team coach, 801-244-7477 or Dave Parker, West Texas Men's Fastpitch Association, 634-6474 or wyofastpitch@gmail.com

Swimming

COM Pre-competitive swimming
Where: Mabee Aquatic Center
Cost: $49 per month
Prerequisite: Must be able to swim 25 yards of freestyle or backstroke
For more info: 684-7755

COM Water Aerobics Classes
When: All times, Monday through Saturday
Who: All skill levels
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

COM Learn to Swim
Ages: All ages
Note: Private, semi-private and group lessons are available
For more info: 684-7755

COM Masters Swimming
What: Competitive or non-competitive program for adults of all skill levels
When: 5-6 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Cost: $40 per month (includes cardio training)
For more info: Call 684-7755

COM Diving Instruction
Who: All ages and levels invited
For more info: 684-7755

COM Learn to Dive
What: Learn basic skills for beginners then advance to pre-competitive and competitive diving that emphasize skilled diving techniques and participation in diving meets
Ages: 4 and up
For more info: 684-7755

COM Competitive Dive Team
Who: Try out for Bronze, Silver, Gold Prep or Gold levels of COM Dive Team
What: Emphasizes is on diving techniques and participation in local and out of town competitive meets
For more info: 684-7755

COM Elite Dive Team
What: Highest level of COM diving. Concentrates on perfecting Olympic level skills, national and international travel
For more info: 684-7755

COM Competitive Swim Team
Who: Try out for COM Swim Team, tryouts available by appointment
What: Emphasizes stroke correction and participation in local and out of town competitive meets
For more info: 684-7755

COM Adult Conditioning
What: Allows adult participation use of top quality lap pools and fitness room during specified hours
For more info: 684-7755

COM Water Walking Class
What: Unstructured, self-paced class
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

COM Senior Fitness Class
Who: Senior citizens that need help with physical conditions resulting from injury, disease, chronic conditions, advanced age, etc.
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

Central YMCA Water Aerobics Classes
When: Early morning, morning and evening
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Arthritis Water Exercise Classes
When: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Swimming Lessons
Who: All ages and ability
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Synchronized Swimming
For: Ages 6 and up
For more information: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Tennis

West Texas Tennis Association
What: West Texas Tennis Association, a non-profit community tennis association, promotes and oversees USTA leagues, programs and events in the area
For more info: Call 432-563-1333 or www.westtexastennis.com for more information

Bush Tennis Center Youth Clinics
What: Tennis clinics for beginners to advanced players ranging from preschoolers to high school seniors. Ages 3-5, balloon tennis; ages 6-8, Quick Start (red ball); ages 9-10, Quick Start (orange and green ball); ages 11-18, junior development; all levels of adult programs
Where: Bush Tennis Center
For more info: Visit www.bushtenniscenter.com and click on "Programs & Events" or call 620-8180

USTA Team Tennis Adult Leagues
When: Leagues run May through November
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Sherry 620-8610 or Email www.midlandtennis@aol.com

Midland College tennis classes
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 12:30 to 1:50 p.m.
Where: Midland College
For more info: Midland College 685-4500 or Lance Armstrong 687-4046

Youth Clinics
When: For children 4-8 years of age (Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 to 4 p.m.) and 9-15 years of age (Mondays and Wednesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: 687-4046

Midland Women's Tennis Association fall league
For more info: 689-4340

Walking

Midland Walkabout AVA Club Meetings
When: Fun Walks, 10K, 3rd Saturday morning of the month; Monthly meeting 3rd Sunday at 5 p.m.
Where: Fun Walks, vary; meetings in Room 227, First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave.
Who: All ages
For more info: Call Alex Rose 687-2588 or go to www.midlandwalkabout.org

Report: NASCAR considering radical Chase changes

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — A 16-driver championship field that would be whittled down to create a winner-take-all season finale is among radical changes reportedly being considered by NASCAR.

NASCAR chairman Brian France has repeatedly said he wants to place a greater emphasis on winning, and he's never ruled out tinkering with the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship format in an effort to create the "Game 7 moments" he covets.

The Charlotte Observer first reported Friday night a possible overhaul to the Chase format that France first introduced in 2004 and has made periodic changes to several times since.

Citing anonymous sources, The Observer outlined three major changes beginning with expanding the field from 12 drivers to 16 — meaning a win during the "regular season" would virtually guarantee a driver a spot in the field.

France

Once the field is set, The Observer said NASCAR is considering eliminations during the 10-race Chase.

The field would be cut after the third, sixth and ninth races. The proposed eliminations would drop the lowest four drivers from title contention after the third, sixth and ninth races, leaving four drivers eligible for a "winner-take-all" race in the season finale at Homestead-Miami Speedway. The four remaining drivers would go into Homestead with their points reset and tied in the standings, The Observer said.

A statement from NASCAR chief communications officer Brett Jewkes was non-committal on The Observer report.

"NASCAR has begun the process of briefing key industry stakeholders on potential concepts to evolve its NASCAR Sprint Cup Series championship format," Jewkes said. "This dialogue is the final phase of a multi-year process that has included the review of extensive fan research, partner and industry feedback and other data-driven insights. NASCAR has no plans to comment further until the stakeholder discussions are complete. We hope to announce any potential changes for the 2014 season to our media and fans very soon."

But driver Denny Hamlin posted a series of Tweets on Saturday afternoon that supported the format if NASCAR ultimately moves forward with the changes. NASCAR is expected to officially outline any changes later this month.

"This points system change is going to be a really good thing. Trust in it and watch how exciting each chase race is going to be," Hamlin posted.

Hamlin also Tweeted that every Chase race will now be as exciting as the September race at Richmond, which is the final race to set the Chase field. He also responded to two fans who criticized the format. One argued it was "artificially construed excitement" instead of the traditional consistency that NASCAR used for decades in crowning its champion.

"Consistency will keep you up top," Hamlin replied.

Hamlin received support from 2012 Cup champion Brad Keselowski, who replied on Twitter to him that he also liked the reported new format.

"Guess we may be in the minority here," Keselowski said.

Matt York/AP

Patrick Reed hits from the 10th tee during the third round of the Humana Challenge on the Nicklaus Private course at PGA West on Saturday in La Quinta, Calif.

Another day, another 63 for Patrick Reed in Humana

By John Nicholson
Associated Press

LA QUINTA, Calif. — Patrick Reed has been as good as the weather and course conditions at the Humana Challenge — and just as predictable.

Another sunny, calm day. Another 9-under 63.

Reed broke the PGA Tour record for relation to par for the first 54 holes, finishing at 27 under Saturday to take a seven-stroke lead into the final round.

Playing over a pond as still as the plastic swans PGA West uses to scare away geese, Reed birdied his final hole on the Nicklaus Private Course, hitting a wedge to 2 feet on the par-4 ninth. He also had an eagle, eight birdies and a bogey.

"Any time you set a record on the PGA Tour it means you're doing something right," Reed said. "Well, a lot of things right. But at the same time it doesn't matter if you have the 54-hole lead. All that matters at the end is at the end of Sunday."

The 23-year-old Reed broke the mark of 25 under set by Gay Brewer in the 1967 Pensacola Open and matched by Ernie Els in the 2003 Tournament of Champions, Steve Stricker in the 2010 John Deere Classic and Pat Perez in the 2009 La Quinta event. Reed was one off Stricker's stroke record of 188 set on a par-71 course.

"Almost seems like I'm in a putting coma," said Reed, the first player in tour history to open an event with three rounds of 63 or better. "The hole seems huge. It almost feels like I can't miss. It's interesting because when I do miss a putt, I get really frustrated because I almost feel like I should make it."

The Wyndham Championship winner in August, Reed opened Thursday on the Arnold Palmer Private Course and played La Quinta Country Club on Friday. He has played the 11 par 5s in 11 under, the 28 par 4s in 12 under and the 13 par 3s in 4 under.

Charley Hoffman and Brendon Todd were tied for second. Hoffman, the 2007 winner, had a 66 on the Palmer course — the site of the final round. Todd shot 68 at La Quinta.

"I wish I was a little closer than seven," Hoffman said. "The weather's been perfect, greens are perfect. The scores and birdies are out there."

Reed's seven-stroke margin is the largest entering the final round in event history, a stroke more than Rik Massengale took into his 1977 victory. David Duval overcame a seven-stroke deficit to win in 1999, closing with a 59 on the Palmer course. Last year, Brian Gay began the last day six strokes behind and ended up winning in a playoff.

"He's obviously playing really, really well, but if you go out there, I mean, I shot 9 under there yesterday," Todd said. "If you go out there with the same mentality, trying to play as well as you can, you get hot early, put a little pressure on him, there's plenty of opportunities for him to make bogey."

Reed eagled the par-5 16th on his first nine, hitting a 5-iron from 212 yards to 3 feet. Using his 50-degree wedge — the club he hit close on the final hole — on the par-4 sixth, he nearly holed a 125-yard approach, with the ball spinning back by the cup.

Williams falls in 4th round of Australian Open

By Greg Bishop
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MELBOURNE, Australia — For almost a year, Serena Williams won professional tennis matches at an improbable 96 percent clip. Since her exit from the 2013 Australian Open, she had played 80 matches and had won 77 of them.

As her fourth-round contest in this Australian Open wore on, though, Williams looked less and less like the most dominant player in women's tennis. She was undone by a flurry of botched backhands, back pain and an opponent, Ana Ivanovic, who played more like a current world No. 1 than a former world No. 1.

The crowd, squarely against Williams, rose to its feet and roared at the biggest upset so far in this tournament when the match ended with Ivanovic the winner, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3. Williams smiled as she shook her opponent's hand. Ivanovic had never beaten her - until Sunday.

"It's amazing," Ivanovic said in her television interview on court. "I just played really well."

Over the first week of the Australian Open, Williams had accumulated records. She set the mark for most match wins in women's singles at this tournament (61) and most women's singles matches played (70).

All the while, she sought an even bigger milestone: an 18th Grand Slam singles championship. That would have put Williams in rare company, tied with Chris Evert and Martina Navratilova for second-most in history, within sight of Steffi Graf and her historic 22 titles.

Aaron Favila/AP

Serena Williams rests between games as she plays Ana Ivanovic during their fourth round match at the Australian Open in Melbourne, Australia early today.

Instead, other numbers surfaced in defeat. Like this one: In a career filled with Grand Slam tournaments, Williams had won the first set and still lost five times in a career that started in 1995.

"I made a tremendous amount of errors," Williams said at her post-match news conference. "Shots I missed that I normally don't miss."

Williams tried to play down her physical problems, and said she wouldn't make excuses.

However, she added: "I obviously wasn't hitting the way I normally would hit. Or moving the way I normally would move. I know for a fact I can play so much better than what I did today. I'm not disappointed in anything. I just know I can play 10 times better than I played today."

Williams cruised through the first three rounds of this Australian Open behind a succession of swift victories in which she did not drop a set. She blew off one scheduled on-court interview after her third-round victory and offered an oblique explanation that she was busy and other tasks awaited. She confirmed after Sunday's match that she was having back pain.

Whatever the reason, she looked off on Sunday, even as she fought through and took the first set. She did not bend well on the backhand side, and she did not move well, and after she missed a return early in the second set she bent over in apparent pain.

Ivanovic capitalized. Since she won the French Open in 2008, Ivanovic had mostly disappointed. Her last run to a Grand Slam quarterfinal came at the U.S. Open in 2012.

On Sunday, she blitzed Williams from the baseline, matched Williams for serve efficiency and showcased a varied game that kept Williams on the defensive more than usual. Ivanovic dictated how the match unfolded.

On the big points that Williams won, she often screamed loudly or pumped her fist emphatically, almost as if she was trying to get herself into the match. She stole repeated glances at her box and walked gingerly between points.

AUSTRALIAN OPEN RESULTS

Today
At Melbourne Park
Melbourne, Australia
Purse: $29.72 million (Grand Slam)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
Women
Fourth Round

Flavia Pennetta (28), Italy, def. Angelique Kerber (9), Germany, 6-1, 4-6, 7-5.

Li Na (4), China, def. Ekaterina Makarova (22), Russia, 6-2, 6-0.

Ana Ivanovic (14), Serbia, def. Serena Williams (1), United States, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

Doubles
Men
Third Round

Leander Paes, India, and Radek Stepanek (5), Czech Republic, def. Yuki Bhambri, India, and Michael Venus, New Zealand, 6-3, 6-2.

Treat Huey, Philippines, and Dominic Inglot (12), Britain, def. Rohan Bopanna, India, and Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi (7), Pakistan, 6-4, 7-6 (1).

Women
Third Round

Jarmila Gajdosova, Australia, and Ajla Tomljanovic, Croatia, def. Timea Babos, Hungary, and Petra Martic, Croatia, 6-2, 7-5.

Shahar Peer, Israel, and Silvia Soler-Espinosa, Spain, def. Lucie Hradecka, Czech Republic, and Michaella Krajicek, Netherlands, 4-6, 7-6 (5), 6-2.

Legends Doubles
Round Robin
Men

Mansour Bahrami, Iran, and Cedric Pioline, France, def. Pat Cash, Australia, and Mats Wilander, Sweden, 6-7 (2), 6-1, 10-8.

Junior Singles
Boys
First Round

Jumpei Yamasaki (14), Japan, def. Gabriel Vellinho Hocevar, Brazil, 6-1, 6-3.

Lucas Miedler (13), Austria, def. Makoto Ochi, Japan, 6-2, 6-2.

Lee Duckhee (12), South Korea, def. Mitchell Harper, Australia, 6-3, 6-2.

Simon Friis Soendergaard, Denmark, def. Alexander Klintcharov, New Zealand, 6-4, 6-3.

Oliver Anderson, Australia, def. Rafael Matos, Brazil, 6-4, 6-3.

Petros Chrysochos, Cyprus, def. Oh Chanyeong, South Korea, 7-5, 7-6 (3).

Andrea Pellegrino, Italy, def. Sora Fukuda, Japan, 5-7, 6-1, 6-3.

Ilya Vasilyev, Russia, def. Brian Tran, Australia, 6-7 (2), 6-2, 6-4.

Marcelo Zormann da Silva (15), Brazil, def. Chung Yunseong, South Korea, 6-3, 6-3.

Omar Jasika, Australia, def. Zheng Wei Qiang, China, 6-3, 6-2.

Stefan Kozlov (2), United States, def. Blake Mott, Australia, 7-6 (5), 4-6, 6-5, retired.

Quentin Halys (7), France, def. Johannes Haerteis, Germany, 6-4, 6-2.

Alexander Zverev (1), Germany, def. Nino Serdarusic, Croatia, 6-3, 6-4.

Boris Pokotilov, Russia, def. Max Purcell, Australia, 3-6, 6-4, 6-2.

Girls
First Round

Emilie Francati, Denmark, def. Sasha Bollweg, Australia, 6-1, 6-2.

Fiona Ferro (15), France, def. Georgia Brescia, Italy, 7-5, 0-6, 6-2.

Naiktha Bains, Australia, def. Shiori Fukuda, Japan, 6-2, 6-1.

Natalie Novotna, Czech Republic, def. Beatrice Lombardo, Italy, 6-4, 6-3.

Olivia Tjandramulia, Australia, def. Nozomi Ohya, Japan, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2.

Olivia Hauger, United States, def. Chloe Hule, Australia, 6-2, 7-5.

Jelena Ostapenko (6), Latvia, def. Kaylah McPhee, Australia, 6-1, 7-5.

Natalia Vikhlyantseva, Russia, def. Andrea Dikosavljevic, Australia, 6-2, 6-0.

Anastasia Shaulskaya, Russia, def. You Xiao-Di (11), China, 6-2, 6-4.

Isabelle Wallace, Britain, def. Priscilla Hon (12), Australia, 6-3, 5-7, 12-10.

Saturday
Singles
Men
Third Round

Stephane Robert, France, def. Martin Klizan, Slovakia, 6-0, 7-6 (2), 6-4.

Roger Federer (6), Switzerland, def. Teymuraz Gabashvili, Russia, 6-2, 6-2, 6-3.

Roberto Bautista Agut, Spain, def. Benoit Paire (27), France, 6-2, 6-1, 6-4.

Grigor Dimitrov (22), Bulgaria, def. Milos Raonic (11), Canada, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4, 7-6 (10).

Andy Murray (4), Britain, def. Feliciano Lopez (26), Spain, 7-6 (2), 6-4, 6-2.

Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (10), France, def. Gilles Simon (18), France, 7-6 (5), 6-4, 6-2.

Kei Nishikori (16), Japan, def. Donald Young, United States, 7-5, 6-1, 6-0.

Rafael Nadal (1), Spain, def. Gael Monfils (25), France, 6-1, 6-2, 6-3.

Women
Third Round

Maria Sharapova (3), Russia, def. Alize Cornet (25), France, 6-1, 7-6 (6).

Jelena Jankovic (8), Serbia, def. Kurumi Nara, Japan, 6-4, 7-5.

Dominika Cibulkova (20), Slovakia, def. Carla Suarez Navarro (16), Spain, 6-1, 6-0.

Simona Halep (11), Romania, def. Zarina Diyas, Kazakhstan, 6-1, 6-4.

Sloane Stephens (13), United States, def. Elina Svitolina, Ukraine, 7-5, 6-4.

Agnieszka Radwanska (5), Poland, def. Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (29), Russia, 5-7, 6-2, 6-2.

Garbine Muguruza, Spain, def. Caroline Wozniacki (10), Denmark, 4-6, 7-5, 6-3.

Victoria Azarenka (2), Belarus, def. Yvonne Meusburger, Austria, 6-1, 6-0.

Doubles
Men
Second Round

Rohan Bopanna, India, and Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi (7), Pakistan, def. Colin Fleming and Ross Hutchins, Britain, 4-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Eric Butorac, United States, and Raven Klaasen, South Africa, def. Jamie Murray, Britain, and John Peers (15), Australia, 6-4, 6-4.

Leander Paes, India, and Radek Stepanek (5), Czech Republic, def. Daniele Bracciali, Italy, and Alexandr Dolgopolov, Ukraine, 6-1, 6-4.

Mariusz Fyrstenberg and Marcin Matkowski (9), Poland, def. Jarkko Nieminen, Finland, and Dmitry Tursunov, Russia, 5-7, 7-5, 7-6 (4).

Treat Huey, Philippines, and Dominic Inglot (12), Britain, def. Andreas Seppi and Potito Starace, Italy, 6-3, 6-7 (5), 6-1.

Pablo Carreno Busta and Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, Spain, def. Oliver Marach, Austria, and Florin Mergea, Romania, 7-6 (3), 6-3.

Alexander Peya, Austria, and Bruno Soares (2), Brazil, def. Mahesh Bhupathi, India, and Rajeev Ram, United States, 6-4, 7-6 (7).

Daniel Nestor, Canada, and Nenad Zimonjic (8), Serbia, def. Marin Draganja and Mate Pavic, Croatia, 7-5, 6-1.

Julien Benneteau and Edouard Roger-Vasselin (11), France, def. Johan Brunstrom, Sweden, and Frederik Nielsen, Denmark, 0-6, 7-5, 6-3.

Bob and Mike Bryan (1), United States, def. Robin Haase, Netherlands, and Christopher Kas, Germany, 6-3, 6-2.

Alex Bolt and Andrew Whittington, Australia, def. David Marrero and Fernando Verdasco (3), Spain, 7-6 (4), 6-3.

Ivan Dodig, Croatia, and Marcelo Melo (4), Brazil, def. Simone Bolelli and Fabio Fognini, Italy, 2-6, 6-1, 6-4.

Women
Second Round

Cara Black, Zimbabwe, and Sania Mirza (6), India, def. Monica Niculescu, Romania, and Klara Zakopalova, Czech Republic, 7-5, 6-1.

Monique Adamczak and Olivia Rogowska, Australia, def. Julia Goerges, Germany, and Barbora Zahlavova Strycova (14), Czech Republic, 6-2, 6-3.

Jarmila Gajdosova, Australia, and Ajla Tomljanovic, Croatia, def. Annika Beck and Andrea Petkovic, Germany, 6-4, 6-2.

Andrea Hlavackova and Lucie Safarova (7), Czech Republic, def. Anabel Medina Garrigues, Spain, and Yaroslava Shvedova, Kazakhstan, 6-2, 6-2.

Madison Keys and Alison Riske, United States, def. Kristina Mladenovic, France, and Flavia Pennetta (12), Italy, 7-5, 6-4.

Timea Babos, Hungary, and Petra Martic, Croatia, def. Ashleigh Barty and Casey Dellacqua (5), Australia, 6-1, 6-3.

Eugenie Bouchard, Canada, and Vera Dushevina, Russia, def. Anna-Lena Groenefeld, Germany, and Mirjana Lucic-Baroni (11), Croatia, 6-4, 7-5.

Alize Cornet and Caroline Garcia, France, def. Svetlana Kuznetsova, Russia, and Sam Stosur, Australia, 6-3, 7-6 (4).

Daniela Hantuchova, Slovakia, and Lisa Raymond (15), United States, def. Magdalena Rybarikova, Slovakia, and Stefanie Voegele, Switzerland, 6-2, 6-3.

Ekaterina Makarova and Elena Vesnina (3), Russia, def. Jelena Jankovic, Serbia, and Karin Knapp, Italy, 6-4, 6-3.

Mixed
First Round

Sania Mirza, India, and Horia Tecau (6), Romania, def. Chan Hao-ching, Taiwan, and Robert Lindstedt, Sweden, 4-6, 7-6 (3), 10-8.

Jarmila Gajdosova and Matthew Ebden, Australia, def. Storm Sanders and Chris Guccione, Australia, 6-2, 6-4.

Katarina Srebotnik, Slovenia, and Rohan Bopanna (2), India, def. Raquel Kops-Jones, United States, and Treat Huey, Philippines, 6-2, 6-3.

Julia Goerges, Germany, and Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi, Pakistan, def. Donna Vekic, Croatia, and Thanasi Kokkinakis, Australia, 6-3, 6-4.

Anna-Lena Groenefeld, Germany, and Alexander Peya (1), Austria, def. Vera Dushevina, Russia, and Jean-Julien Rojer, Netherlands, 6-3, 7-6 (5).

Anabel Medina Garrigues, Spain, and Bruno Soares (5), Brazil, def. Cara Black, Zimbabwe, and Jamie Murray, Britain, 6-2, 6-4.

Kristina Mladenovic, France, and Daniel Nestor, Canada, def. Hsieh Su-wei, Taiwan, and Raven Klaasen, South Africa, 7-5, 6-3.

Legends Doubles
Round Robin
Men

Jonas Bjorkman and Thomas Enqvist, Sweden, def. Joshua Eagle and Andrew Florent, Australia, 6-4, 6-3.

Guy Forget and Henri Leconte, France, def. Wayne Ferreira, South Africa, and Goran Ivanisevic, Croatia, 6-2, 6-7 (5), 10-8.

Junior Singles
Boys
First Round

Jaume Antoni Munar Clar, Spain, def. Filippo Baldi (6), Italy, 7-6 (2), 7-6 (9).

Harry Bourchier, Australia, def. Sumit Nagal, India, 6-3, 6-3.

Hong Seong-chan, South Korea, def. Yusuke Takahashi, Japan, 6-3, 6-4.

Andrey Rublev (10), Russia, def. Jake Delaney, Australia, 6-3, 6-2.

Naoki Nakagawa (16), Japan, def. Mirko Cutuli, Italy, 6-1, 6-0.

Martin Blasko, Slovakia, def. Johan Sebastien Tatlot (3), France, 6-4, 0-6, 6-4.

Artur Shakhnubaryan, Russia, def. Qiu Zhuoyang, China, 6-2, 6-4.

Bradley Mousley, Australia, def. Kang Ku Keon, South Korea, 6-3, 6-0.

Matteo Berrettini, Italy, def. Clement Geens, Belgium, 6-7 (4), 6-2, 6-3.

Michael Mmoh (5), United States, def. Daniel Windahl, Sweden, 6-4, 6-4.

Kamil Majchrzak (9), Poland, def. Daniel Guccione, Australia, 3-6, 7-5, 6-2.

Marc Polmans, Australia, def. Pedro Martinez Portero, Spain, 2-6, 7-6 (4), 7-5.

Chung Hyeon (11), South Korea, def. William Matheson, New Zealand, 6-2, 6-1.

Sun Fajing, China, def. Marko Osmakcic, Switzerland, 6-3, 6-3.

Daniil Medvedev (8), Russia, def. Daniel Nolan, Australia, 6-2, 6-2.

Akira Santillan, Australia, def. Ken Onishi, Japan, 6-2, 5-7, 6-2.

Girls
First Round

Zhang Ying, China, def. Snehadevi Reddy, India, 6-4, 6-0.

Ilze Hattingh, South Africa, def. Nina Stojanovic (8), Serbia, 6-1, 6-2.

Yukina Saigo, Japan, def. Anja Dokic, Australia, 6-4, 4-6, 6-4.

Anastasiya Komardina (10), Russia, def. Zoe Hives, Australia, 3-6, 6-4, 6-3.

Katrine Steffensen (14), United States, def. Simran Kaur Sethi, India, 6-4, 6-2.

Elizaveta Kulichkova (4), Russia, def. Zheng Wushuang, China, 6-2, 6-0.

Destanee Aiava, Australia, def. Verena Hofer, Italy, 7-5, 6-2.

Lizette Cabrera, Australia, def. Freya Christie, Britain, 7-5, 6-3.

Kamonwan Buayam, Thailand, def. Sara Tomic (13), Australia, 7-5, 6-2.

Jasmine Paolini, Italy, def. Michaela Gordon, United States, 6-2, 1-6, 6-4.

Jil Belen Teichmann, Switzerland, def. Leticia Garcia Vidal, Brazil, 6-0, 6-2.

Ivana Jorovic (2), Serbia, def. Michelle Pits, Australia, 6-2, 6-3.

Anhelina Kalinina (3), Ukraine, def. Cao Siqi, China, 6-3, 7-6 (4).

Kimberly Birrell, Australia, def. Emily Arbuthnott, Britain, 3-6, 7-6 (6), 6-3.

HUMANA CHALLENGE SCORES

Saturday
p-PGA West, Palmer Course; 6,950 yards, par 72
n-PGA West, Nicklaus Course; 6,924 yards, par 72
q-La Quinta Country Club; 7,060 yards, par 72
La Quinta, Calif.
Purse: $5.7 million
Third Round

Patrick Reed	63p-63q-63n—189
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Brendon Todd	65n-63p-68q—196
James Driscoll	68p-63q-66n—197
Bill Haas	65q-66n-67p—198
Justin Leonard	66n-67p-65q—198
Ryan Palmer	64p-65q-70n—199
Matt Jones	66n-67p-66q—199
Brian Stuard	67q-66n-66p—199
Will MacKenzie	67n-66p-66q—199
Ben Crane	70q-64n-65p—199
Keegan Bradley	69q-66n-65p—200
Charlie Beljan	68q-64n-68p—200
Seung-Yul Noh	68p-66q-66n—200
Jason Bohn	70q-65n-66p—201
Zach Johnson	65q-68n-68p—201
Chad Collins	68n-68p-65q—201
Jerry Kelly	69q-65n-68p—202
Jonathan Byrd	68p-69q-65n—202
Stuart Appleby	66p-69q-67n—202
Matt Every	65n-68p-69q—202
Rory Sabbatini	68p-67q-67n—202
Scott Langley	69q-68n-65p—202
Russell Knox	65p-70q-67n—202
Spencer Levin	69p-68q-66n—203
Luke Guthrie	69p-67q-67n—203
Martin Laird	69n-66p-68q—203
Kevin Chappell	70q-70n-63p—203
Charlie Wi	65p-69q-69n—203
Martin Flores	69p-65q-69n—203
Jim Herman	67n-68p-68q—203
Brendon de Jonge	69q-68n-66p—203
Tyrone Van Aswegen	69n-67p-67q—203
Ryo Ishikawa	66p-69q-69n—204
Camilo Villegas	70n-66p-68q—204
Harris English	67q-66n-71p—204
Jeff Overton	70q-67n-67p—204
Kevin Na	68n-68p-68q—204
Brice Garnett	67p-69q-68n—204
Andrew Svoboda	69n-69p-66q—204
Cameron Tringale	68q-66n-70p—204
Brad Fritsch	67p-70q-67n—204
Bryce Molder	69p-72q-63n—204
William McGirt	70n-70p-64q—204
Justin Hicks	64n-71p-70q—205
John Merrick	66q-70n-69p—205
Gary Woodland	69p-71q-65n—205
Kevin Kisner	66n-70p-69q—205
Scott Brown	67p-68q-70n—205
Harrison Frazar	69n-68p-68q—205
Bo Van Pelt	70q-68n-67p—205
Pat Perez	69q-70n-66p—205
Brandt Snedeker	72q-64n-69p—205
Webb Simpson	69p-70q-67n—206
Davis Love III	69p-68q-69n—206
Erik Compton	70q-66n-70p—206
David Lingmerth	69q-68n-69p—206
Blake Adams	70p-70q-66n—206
Steven Bowditch	71n-67p-68q—206
Daniel Summerhays	64n-69p-73q—206
Brian Davis	69p-71q-66n—206
Johnson Wagner	72p-66q-68n—206
Charles Howell III	73n-68p-65q—206
Josh Teater	68n-68p-70q—206
Ken Duke	71p-70q-65n—206
Scott Stallings	68n-69p-69q—206
Rickie Fowler	68q-71n-67p—206
J.J. Henry	71n-70p-65q—206
Hudson Swafford	65n-71p-70q—206
Brett Quigley	66q-73n-68p—207
Kevin Stadler	69n-66p-72q—207
Nicholas Thompson	71p-69q-67n—207
Chad Campbell	71p-68q-68n—207
Brian Harman	69n-66p-72q—207
Stewart Cink	73q-63n-71p—207
Billy Horschel	72p-65q-70n—207
Jhonattan Vegas	69n-71p-67q—207
Scott McCarron	72q-69n-66p—207
James Hahn	70p-68q-69n—207
Lee Williams	70n-68p-69q—207
John Senden	71n-70p-66q—207
Michael Putnam	68q-69n-70p—207
Roberto Castro	68p-73q-66n—207
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David Toms	69q-71n-68p—208
Scott Piercy	71n-66p-71q—208
Daniel Chopra	70q-68n-70p—208
Joe Durant	68p-71q-69n—208
Justin Thomas	74q-64n-70p—208
Sean O'Hair	70n-69p-69q—208
Sang-Moon Bae	72q-67n-69p—208
John Peterson	68q-69n-71p—208
Jeff Maggert	69p-69q-70n—208
Brian Gay	69q-71n-69p—209
Bronson La'Cassie	69n-70p-70q—209
Aaron Baddeley	67q-73n-69p—209
Jason Kokrak	67n-69p-73q—209
Lucas Glover	72n-67p-70q—209
Ricky Barnes	74q-69n-66p—209
Robert Garrigus	70q-70n-69p—209
Will Claxton	71p-70q-68n—209
Nicolas Colsaerts	72q-67n-70p—209
Brendan Steele	70q-70n-69p—209
Chris Stroud	73q-69n-67p—209
John Daly	72q-68n-70p—210
Ted Potter, Jr.	69n-69p-72q—210
Morgan Hoffmann	72n-71p-67q—210
Danny Lee	73q-66n-71p—210
Peter Malnati	69p-75q-66n—210
Jamie Lovemark	69q-70n-71p—210
Jesper Parnevik	73q-64n-74p—211
John Rollins	72p-71q-68n—211
Scott Verplank	73p-70q-68n—211
Ben Martin	75q-71n-65p—211
Stephen Ames	73p-73q-65n—211
Troy Merritt	75p-70q-66n—211
Carl Pettersson	71n-73p-68q—212
John Mallinger	75q-67n-70p—212
Lee Janzen	75n-67p-70q—212
Chris DiMarco	71p-71q-70n—212
Geoff Ogilvy	74n-70p-68q—212
Billy Hurley III	72q-71n-69p—212
Mike Weir	73p-69q-70n—212
Andrew Loupe	67p-73q-72n—212
Wes Roach	72n-70p-70q—212
Briny Baird	72p-71q-70n—213
Jonas Blixt	70q-69n-74p—213
David Hearn	68p-70q-75n—213
Y.E. Yang	72n-70p-71q—213
Tim Wilkinson	69p-74q-70n—213
Scott Gardiner	71n-68p-74q—213
Troy Matteson	75p-67q-71n—213
Heath Slocum	67n-72p-74q—213
Mark Wilson	74n-66p-73q—213
Edward Loar	71n-73p-69q—213
Richard H. Lee	73q-72n-69p—214
Retief Goosen	73n-69p-72q—214
Bud Cauley	71q-74n-69p—214
Kevin Tway	69q-75n-70p—214
Greg Chalmers	68n-72p-75q—215
Robert Allenby	70n-73p-72q—215
Alex Aragon	70n-74p-71q—215
Dudley Hart	72p-69q-75n—216
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Wednesday	3p.m. Monday
Thursday	3p.m. Tuesday
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Sunday, Monday	3p.m. Thursday
Tuesday	3p.m. Friday

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Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE

THAT THE MIDLAND EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION DISTRICT, In compliance with Chapter 772, Subchapter D of Health & Safety Code and Sections 116.021 through 116.155 of the Local Government Code of Texas, **HEREBY GIVES NOTICE** that said District, at a meeting of the Board of Managers at 8:00 a.m., February 11th, 2014, will consider applications for and award a depository contract with one or more banks in Midland County for deposit of the District's public funds.

Any banking corporation, association, or individual banker desiring to be designated as the District Depository shall make and deliver to the Director of Communications, 1110 W. Wall St., Midland, Texas, on or before February 4th, 2014, at 11:00 a.m., an application to be designated as such depository. The application must state the amount of the bank's paid-up capital stock and permanent surplus, and be accompanied by: (1) a statement showing the financial condition of the bank on the date of the application; and (2) a certified check in the amount of $6,186 (representing at least one-half percent of the District's anticipated revenue for this calendar year.) Said check to be returned following signing of contract.

Dated in Midland, Texas this 8th day of January 2014.

Pat Moore, Chairman
Board of Managers of the
Midland Emergency Communication District
1110 W. Wall St.
Midland, TX 79701

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING for FM 307 Midland County

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) will conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed roadway rehabilitation and restriping of FM 307 southeast of Midland. The Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 25, 2014, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Greenwood High School Cafeteria, 2700 FM 1379, in Midland. Displays will be available for viewing beginning at 5:30 p.m. Presentation will commence at 6:00 p.m.

The proposed project will reconstruct the pavement on FM 307 and re-stripe the lane configuration from three lanes to five lanes, from County Road 1150 to Farm-to-Market 1379, a distance of approximately 7.1 miles. The existing right of way width is 100 feet, and no new right of way will be needed. No relocation of residences and businesses are expected. The project does not encroach on a floodplain, wetland, or sole-source aquifer recharge zone.

This project is needed to address deteriorating pavement conditions and mixed traffic use as a result of increased oil and gas activity and the rapid transition from a rural to a suburban area. The purpose of this project is to reconstruct the roadway to provide a pavement structure meeting anticipated truck loads and to provide additional lanes facilitating mixed traffic use.

Environmental documentation, addressing various environmental and social issues, will be on display. Approved design drawings, and other information about the project will be available for review at the Public Hearing. Project personnel will be present at the Public Hearing to explain the drawings and other exhibits. This information, along with a tentative construction schedule, will be available for review by the public for five (5) business days prior to the hearing and will be located at the Odessa District Office of the Texas Department of Transportation, 3901 E. Highway 80 in Odessa, Texas.

Verbal and written comments may be presented at the hearing or submitted within 10 business days after the hearing. Written comments may be submitted to the attention of: Gary Law, P.E., Director of Transportation Planning and Development, Texas Department of Transportation, Odessa District, 3901 East Highway 80, Odessa, Texas 79761. They must be received by 5:00 p.m., Wednesday, March 12, 2014, to be included with the official public hearing transcript for the project.

Anyone interested in attending the hearing who has special communication needs, including requests for language interpreters, or physical needs should contact Gene Powell at (432) 498-4746 at least two business days prior to the hearing. TxDOT will make every reasonable effort to accommodate these needs.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Region 18 Education Service Center is accepting proposals for A Data Storage, Disaggregation, and Teacher and Principal Performance Pay Tool(s) for the 2012 Texas Teacher Incentive Fund grant program (Proposal # 14-01-0001). Proposals will be accepted until 12:00 p.m. February 3, 2014, in the Texas Center for Educator Effectiveness' office, Region 18 Education Service Center, 4301 Westbank Drive Building B, Suite 200, Austin, TX 78746.

Region 18 Education Service Center reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals.

General Announcements

13U AAA/ Major Midland Storm baseball tryouts Sat. & Sun. Jan. 18 & 19, Jan. 25 & 26. 2p.m. all days. Call or email 432-978-9346 kkeling@dsi.com

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FOUND SMALL dog on Thomason St. area Call 432-634-3873

FOUND WHITE pekingese on S. Midland Dr. Call 432-288-4586

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PUBLIC NOTICE

SEALED BIDS addressed to Jill Hallmark, Midland ISD, 801 South Moran, Midland, TX 79701, for Bleacher Inspection and Repairs, located in Midland, TX, bids will be received at the above address no later than **2:00 PM, on Tuesday, February 4, 2014.**

The bid forms and specifications may be obtained at 801 South Moran, Building #1 Midland, TX or by calling 432-689-1500

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM NOTICE OF SALE OF OIL AND GAS LEASE

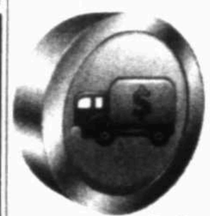
The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, pursuant to provisions of V.T.C.A. Education Code, Chapter 85, as amended, and subject to all policies and regulations promulgated by the Board of Regents, offers for sale at public auction in Room 743, The Texas A&M University System, Moore-Connally Building, 301 Tarrow, College Station, Texas, at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 19, 2014, an oil and gas lease on the following described land in Loving County, Texas. The property offered for lease contains 360 net mineral acres, more or less, and is more particularly described as follows:

Section 20, Block 54, Township 1, T&P RR Co. Survey, Loving County - 3/8th mineral interest.
Section 24, Block 54, Township 1, T&P RR Co. Survey, Loving County - 3/16th mineral interest

The lease will be without warranty of any kind. Each bidder will be required to conduct its own due diligence to confirm title to, and availability of, the mineral interests being leased.

For inquiries regarding minimum lease terms, please contact:

Melody Meyer
System Real Estate
The Texas A&M University System
301 Tarrow, 6th Floor
College Station, Texas 77840-7896
979-458-6350
melody@tamus.edu



Autos For Sale or Lease

Passenger Cars

2004 VOLVO S60 R. 7 speed, silver w/tan & black leather. 109K miles. 1 owner, all service records by Volvo dealers. New tires & front brakes, excellent. AWD Turbo 4 dr. Sedan. $10,500 432-230-2680

2005 TOYOTA Corolla SE. blue 50K miles, auto. $7,800. Good gas mileage good condition. Call 432-210-8068

2006 MAZDA 6. 70K miles, serviced only at Mazda dealership, very clean. Good car for a student. Selling for $6700. Call 432-557-0996

2010 ACURA TL. 4 door, V6, 13K miles immaculate, clean Car Fax. $23,000. 432-967-0873

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GREENWOOD INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31, 2013

EXHIBIT C-3

Data Control Codes		10 General Fund	60 Capital Projects	Other Funds	Total Governmental Funds
	REVENUES:				
5700	Total Local and Intermediate Sources	$ 10,707,290	$ 1,567	$ 1,485,588	$ 12,194,445
5800	State Program Revenues	4,020,296	-	33,495	4,053,791
5900	Federal Program Revenues	-	-	576,809	576,809
5020	Total Revenues	14,727,586	1,567	2,095,892	16,825,065
	EXPENDITURES:				
	Current:				
0011	Instruction	7,618,405	-	205,114	7,823,519
0012	Instructional Resources and Media Services	204,946	-	-	204,946
0013	Curriculum and Instructional Staff Development	234,970	-	-	234,970
0021	Instructional Leadership	84,975	-	-	84,975
0023	School Leadership	656,429	-	-	656,429
0031	Guidance, Counseling, and Evaluation Services	304,930	-	-	304,930
0033	Health Services	120,834	-	-	120,834
0034	Student (Pupil) Transportation	720,537	-	-	720,537
0035	Food Services	-	-	741,872	741,872
0036	Extracurricular Activities	724,213	-	-	724,213
0041	General Administration	640,958	-	-	640,958
0051	Facilities Maintenance and Operations	1,835,089	-	-	1,835,089
0052	Security and Monitoring Services	3,466	-	-	3,466
0053	Data Processing Services	257,785	-	-	257,785
0061	Community Services	-	-	500	500
	Debt Service:				
0071	Principal on Long-Term Debt	-	-	665,832	665,832
0072	Interest on Long-Term Debt	-	-	446,107	446,107
0073	Bond Issuance Cost and Fees	-	235,000	-	235,000
	Capital Outlay:				
0081	Facilities Acquisition and Construction	1,554,766	80,231	-	1,634,997
	Intergovernmental:				
0093	Payments to Fiscal Agent/Member Districts of SSA	215,575	-	-	215,575
0099	Other Intergovernmental Charges	99,683	-	-	99,683
6030	Total Expenditures	15,277,561	315,231	2,059,425	17,652,217
1100	Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	(549,975)	(313,644)	36,467	(827,152)
	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):				
7911	Capital Related Debt Issued (Regular Bonds)	-	50,185,000	-	50,185,000
7915	Transfers In	1,410,105	-	523	1,410,628
7916	Premium or Discount on Issuance of Bonds	-	1,550,523	-	1,550,523
8911	Transfers Out (Use)	-	(1,410,628)	-	(1,410,628)
7080	Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	1,410,105	50,324,895	523	51,735,523
1200	Net Change in Fund Balances	860,130	50,011,251	36,990	50,908,371
0100	Fund Balance - September 1 (Beginning)	9,528,582	24	439,708	9,968,314
1300	Increase (Decrease) in Fund Balance	29,083	-	-	29,083
3000	Fund Balance - August 31 (Ending)	$ 10,417,795	$ 50,011,275	$ 476,698	$ 60,905,768

The notes to the financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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PERMIAN BASIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission, Solid Waste Advisory Committee will meet February 3, 2014 @ 1:30, at the PBRPC office located at 2910 La Force Blvd., Midland, TX. The agenda includes 1) appointment of new members; 2) a review of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Regional Project proposed applications for 2014-2015, and award recommendations to the PBRPC Board of Directors; and, 3) Ector County Enforcement Officer report. This notice is issued to advise the public and private industries providing recycling or solid waste services within the Permian Basin region of the open meeting. Applications for regional projects are available for public view January 20 through January 31, 2014. Funds for regional projects are provided through a grant from the TCEQ, under the authority of Section 361.014, Texas Health Safety Code. Contact Carla Gross or Virginia Belew, for more information at 432-563-1061. EEO

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FOUR ADJOINING burial plots in Resthaven Memorial Park, Garden of Peace. $1,500 each, sold in pairs only. Call 817-379-1459.

HAVE LOT and will receive your extra Caliche & dirt, no trash. 5617 E. I-20 Midland. 432-269-8482 Spanish speaking only.

I HAVE for sale two side by side burial spots at Resthaven in the Garden of Prayer. They are locations Lot 31 Space 5 and Lot 30 Space 8. The current price at Resthaven would be $2395.00 each as of May 1, 2013. I am asking only $2500.00 total for both as a package set. Please call 281-382-9935 only if you are seriously interested

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2007 ELECTRA Glide FLHTP w/37,000 miles. 103 cubic inch with 6 speed, stage 1 upgrade, Wills & Theme, Lots of extras. $10,900. Call 432-638-7464

30' GOOSENECK drop down barrels racks, new brakes & seals, good hotshot trailer $6,500. 620-278-3281

35' SIERRA 5th wheel, washer & dryer, custom cabinets 42" Plasma TV, 4 electric stabilizers, remote control landing jacks, electric dump valves, 3 slides, Air ride hitch. $16,500. 620-278-3281

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38' GULF Stream motor home, 8.3 Cummins Diesel, rear engine Allison 6 speed automatic, 6 new Toyo tires, new awning, new paint, 2 roof airs, 2 flat screen TV's cable ready, full kitchen, 3 way refrigerator, ice maker, 6.5 Onan generator, sleeps 6. 83K miles, fully self contained ready to live in. $38,500. Cost $178,000 new. Must sell. Call 940-781-1735 8am-6pm

38' PREMIER by Hyline 2011 5th Wheel. 3 slide outs, washer/ dryer, microwave, and many extras. $27,000 obo. 817-694-8268.

BIG TEX 18' flatbed trailer, John Deere green, less than 1500 miles, tires balanced, floor oiled, perfect condition. $4,000 cash only 432-770-5793

FLEETWOOD 2006 Discovery 39L Diesel 4 slides 17k miles $94,000. Call 432-631-9868

KEYSTONE 2007 Montana Montaineer, 5th wheel, 33ft., 3 slides, awning. Excellent condition! $22,500. OBO 432-653-7824.

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2013 BMW 535i
Dark Graphite / Blk M sport , Tech, Prem , heated , head up display 6k miles, Service loaner

2013 BMW 528xi
Space Gray/Oyster Prem, Heated seats, rear view camera , Nav. 4k miles, Demo

2007 GMC Yukon
Gray/Blk Sat, Rear Seat Ent, 3rd row, 125k . Super Clean

2012 BMW 535i
Space Gray/Oyster Prem sound, Sport , Prem 11k miles, CPO

2012 Mercedes CLS550
Blk/Blk Harman Kardon, Nav., 20k miles

2012 BMW 328i Coupe
Mineral Wht/Oyster M sport , Prem , hi- fi, nav.,12k miles

2013 BMW 328i
Wht/Blk-Red Blk racing Stripe Sport line, Sport Trans, Nav, Heated seats, 3k miles, Unique

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Passenger Cars

2012 VOLKSWAGEN Jetta, one owner, 26K miles. In excellent condition. $14,900 Call 432-413-1184

CADILLAC 2006 DTS Low miles, $9,950. We finance. 683-6222 bnbmidlandtx.com

CHEVY 2008 Malibu Auto. Clean. $9900 bnbmidlandtx.com We finance. 432-683-6222

DODGE 2010 Charger SXT $15,900 53k miles 432-683-6222 bnbmidlandtx.com

FORD 2005 Mustang GT Auto Sharp $9,900 We finance. 683-6222 bnbmidlandtx.com

HYUNDAI 2013 Sonata, 11k miles, heated seats, white w/ tan cloth & black interior, garaged kept, perfect condition $17,500 Call 432-312-2841

NICE & clean 2005 Lexus 430, 81,500, $18,500 OBO can be seen at Jorge's Cafe on Big Spring St. Midland, Texas or call 432-528-1905

NISSAN 1987 Mitsubishi 300ZX red sport car low mileage automatic $2,000 OBO 432-262-2685

PONTIAC 2006 G6 GTP 4dr, silver w/ black interior, CD player, keyless entry, sunroof, automatic, standard converter, 103K miles. $8,000. Call 432-889-8346

Pontiac 2007 G6 Clean $8,450 We Finance bnbmidlandtx.com 683-6222

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3079 of 3088. 1 of 840, with triple black option 1997 COBRA Mustang black convertible. 5 speed, extra clean, 120K miles. $8,500. 4409 Wilshire Midland. 432-697-4036 or 432-638-3264

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Antique & Vintage

FORD 1975 LTD. Has been garaged, 400 cubic inch Cleaveland, running condition. $900. 432-425-8334 Call Friday after 6pm

Pickup Trucks

1994 CHEVY 1500, $4,000. 193K miles, 4 wd, tow package, new tires. Call Sue 432-218-8380

1998 GMC pickup extended cab. Fair condition, new tires, 1 owner. $4,000 OBO. 432-230-9232

2006 TOYOTA Tundra, almost perfect condition 77,300 miles. 432-556-9711 can text pic or see in Midland

2007 LS Avalanche, white, excellent condition, no wrecks, 123,467 miles, $15K No trades. 425-3287.

CHEVY 2001 Silverado extended cab, red, 130K miles, grill guard, tool box, bed liner, great condition. $7400 432-687-5663

CHEVY 2004 Avalanche 1500 Z71 Black/Black Leather, 4Dr 4WD 1 Owner, 142K miles Regular oil changes with synthetics New brakes, new shocks, sun roof, heated seats, BOSE sound, towing package/trailer brake system Very good condition for miles and year Never in an accident! $9,500 972.533.7757

Chevy 2009 Silverado XCab 4x4 $17,500 We finance.683-6222 bnbmidlandtx.com

CHEVY 2011 3500 crew cab, dually 4X4, flat bed. $24,500. Call 432-413-2471

DODGE 2001 Ram 1500, white in color, vin# 3B7HC13Y91G772379, 114,571 mileage $3,500. If interested call (432)661-1809

FORD 2008 F150 XLT CrewCab Low miles Bed Liner $15,995 bnbmidlandtx.com

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2007 LINCOLN Navigator, Ultimate, fully loaded, very good condition. 80K $19,999 432-553-2135.

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2011 SUBARU Outback Premium AWD, Legacy 3.66 6 cylinder, 5 speed One owner garage kept, 36K miles $25K Call 432-682-0849

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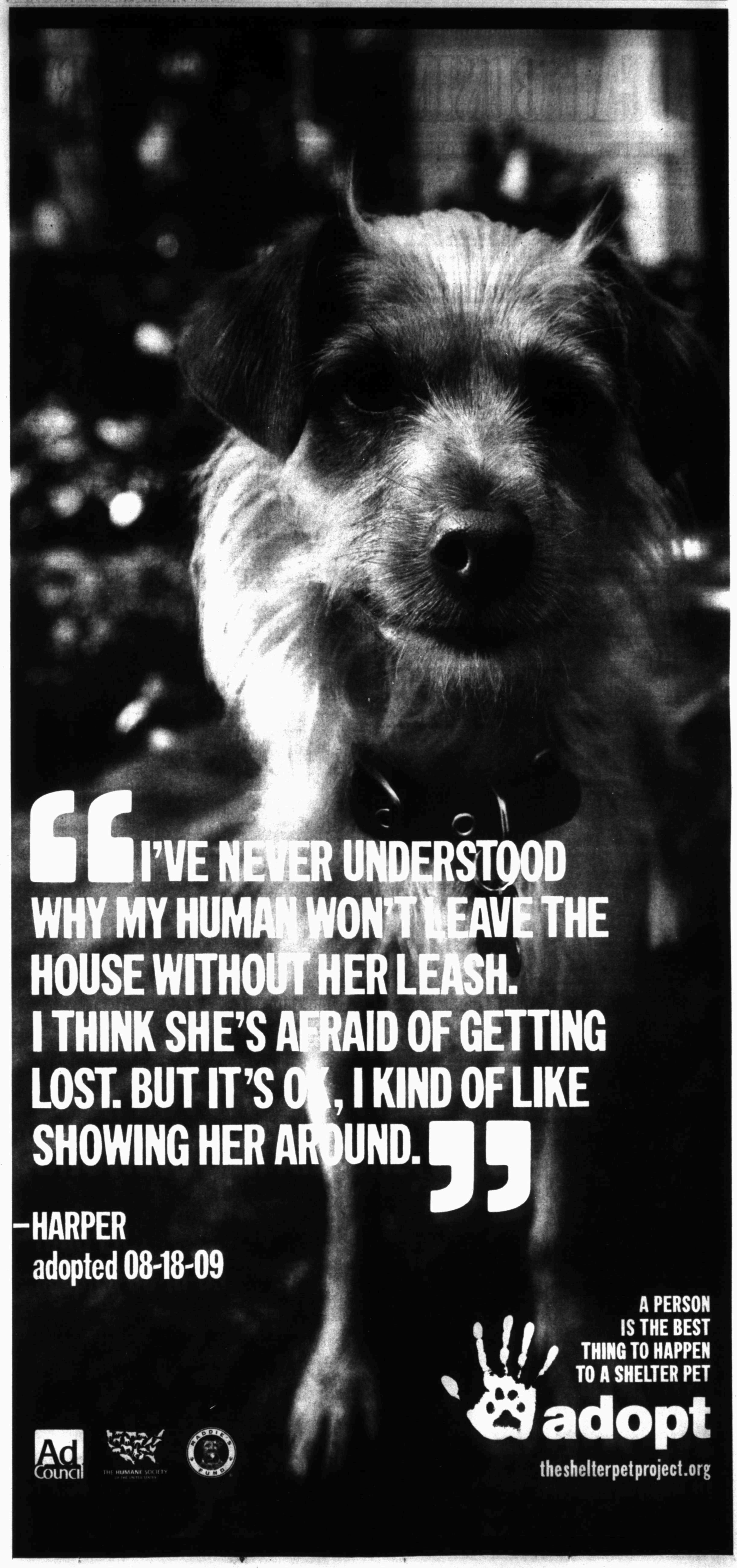
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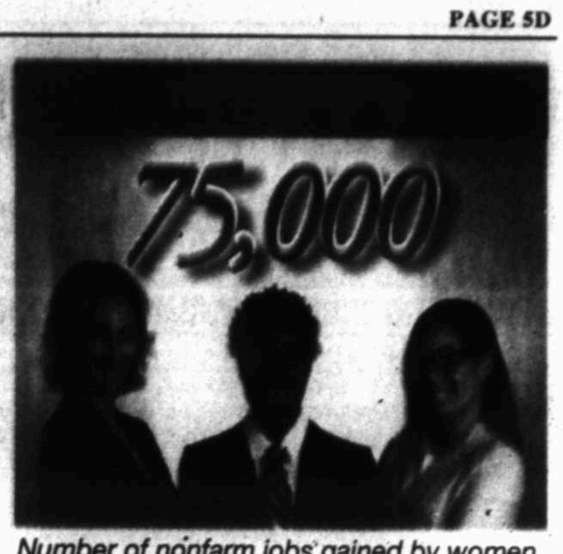

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WHAT'S YOUR TYPE

By PATRICIA RIVERA
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Are you a Neanderthal? A Pollyanna? Maybe you have the aura of a Gunslinger?

Now is a good time to assess whether you have characteristics that may keep you from getting promoted.

Promotions are not based on what you've already done, but on what you can do next, says Donald Asher, who will release an updated version of "Who Gets Promoted, Who Doesn't, and Why: 10 Things You'd Better Do If You Want to Get Ahead" (Ten Speed Press, 2011) later this year.

"Doing one's job well is the foundation to promotion," says Asher, a writer and speaker who specializes in careers and lives in northern Nevada. But sometimes that is not enough. Some individuals may be undermining their future because of their behavior or attitude.

Among the culprits is what Asher describes as the "Neanderthals".

These younger men talk about women — be they colleagues, bartenders or newscasters on the television — at the workplace or to their colleagues. Asher offers them this advice: "If you try to 'bond' with a senior male exec by talking about women's appearances, he will mark you down as immature and unreliable. He will build a wall around you, keep you from going on business travel and working on teams, and keep you out of client meetings, and you will not even know why."

Asher describes other types who will struggle to be promoted or hired:

• Diehards: They resists change and stand looking around for the support staff who long ago disappeared from flat organizational charts. They struggle to keep up with technology and require someone else to set up their software or programs.

• Male Manipulators: These creatures wraps some male counterparts around their little fingers with a hint of possible sexual favors. They are not seen favorably by men or women.

• Tirade Throwers: These are individuals who verbally abuse their subordinates. They are assigned to anger management classes and have few loyal friends and team members.

• Pollyannas: Like the heroine of an early twentieth-century novel by Eleanor Porter, these individuals are pathologically optimistic. They are blind to the dangers around them or they don't want to be the bearer of bad news.

• Absent-Minded Professors: These workers maybe be geniuses but their hygiene habits short fall. When their physical presentation is not crisp, they show a lack of discipline. Employers want people whose work habits and appearance reflect the image they want to have associated with their company.

• Gunslinger: These people are brought in to create massive, immediate change. They put their reputations on the line every single time. Being gunslingers may seem glamorous. But they can only fail once; then they're dead.

MANAGE ATTENTION, CONTROL DISTRACTIONS, GET STUFF DONE

By PATRICIA RIVERA
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Throw those time management concepts out the window. The real way to take control in the 21st century is to manage your attention.

At least that is the position of some experts who are noting that "time management" is an antiquated term that no longer takes into account technological advances that have made modern-day lives far too complex to manage.

With about 170 billion gigabytes of digital information being produced each year, Andrew Dillon, dean at the University Texas School of Information, contends that society is undergoing a new phenomenon: Everyone is constantly wired and continuously giving attention to technology and tools.

"We're caught in a loop in which our attention is grabbed all the time, and it takes us away from other important issues," he says.

Traditional time management tools such as clocks and calendars are not as useful, says Maura Nevel Thomas, a personal productivity expert from Austin and author of "Personal Productivity Secrets." (Wiley, 2012)

"Putting something on your calendar doesn't mean it will occur, and making time for something doesn't guarantee that you'll have the experience you intended," she says. Thomas' position is that how you spend your time only matters to the extent that you also apply your attention. That means that when you control your attention, you control your life.

If you don't exert control, you risk spending all your time just "blowing in the wind" of reaction, instead of purposefully choosing how you focus your attention.

"When you become conditioned to constant distraction, and constant reaction, you eventually become bored in the absence of that constant stimulation. Focus and concentration are skills like any other: If you don't use them, you lose them," she says.

Because information is constantly pushed to us in ways that demand our attention, Thomas says it's easy to indulge this behavior of constantly shifting focus. But the reality is that the more we do, the more our focus is undermined. That is why multitasking, an ability that was once respected, is now frowned upon for some activities. Multitasking can also lead to wasting time.

"When you switch tasks, right in the middle, because something else grabs your attention, you greatly increase the time it takes to complete the task, and you decrease the quality of your output," she says.

Thomas identifies three areas of control that are key in attention management: 1. Control over the information you receive. 2. Control over the technology that brings you the information and communication. 3. Control over your own behaviors (which is the hardest part to control).

"The secret not only to working at peak productivity, but to living the life you choose, is control," she says.

Some tips from Thomas to get you started:

• Control over information. Start with the "unsubscribe" button in your email for some of your unread messages. Limit the information you allow to interrupt you with the knowledge that you can usually find that information manually if need be. In regards to useful and work-related email, determine when to respond to it. You should answer in a timely manner, which is defined by you. Keep in mind that you don't always need to respond as quickly as you think.

• Control over technology: Turn off your phone or set it on silent for a limited time frame. "We are often courteous enough to realize that our ringing phone can rudely interrupt others, but switching it to vibrate means it still interrupts someone: you," Thomas notes. Technology exists for your convenience. If you allow it to ping, beep or vibrate at everyone's whim, then understand that you are allowing technology to control you, rather than the reverse.

• Control over yourself: You can't change unproductive habits until you recognize them. Only then do you see how you are sabotaging yourself, and that's the first step toward replacing those behaviors with more productive habits. "It's been said that you can't improve what you don't measure. So the first step to measuring your level of attention and focus is to identify when it's being sabotaged," she says. Pinpoint behaviors you want to change and articulate them to someone else. Once you do that, you open yourself to change and greater control.

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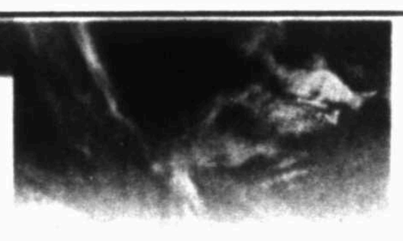
JOB TRENDS

NEW GRADS, NEW PROBS

Congratulations to the college graduates of 2014. You had the good sense to be born a few years later than your older siblings, who earned degrees in such a sour job market that they've been caricatured as under-employed mopes living in their parents' basements.



According to the recent Michigan State University [MSU] "Recruiting Trends" report, hiring of college grads is expected to grow by two percent this year.

In some sectors – like manufacturing, non-profits and education – hiring is projected to be robust, with gains of 23 percent, 11 percent and nine percent, respectively.

Moreover, Phil Gardner, director of MSU's Collegiate Employment Research Institute predicts: "The market has progressed steadily during the past four years, and a more robust market may be just around the corner."

But does stepping right into a great job mean that 2014 grads will enjoy more prosperous careers than those basement dwellers?

Well, they may be more prosperous, but they might not be as satisfied with their achievements over the course of their career than their older peers, finds new research from Emory University.

Studying job satisfaction of graduates between 1975 and 2011, Bianchi finds that those entering a robust workforce develop an "upward counterfactual" mindset, meaning that they focus on their peers landing in even better positions, and throughout their careers they think they should be attaining more.

By contrast, recession-year grads tend to be grateful and satisfied with their jobs. Bianchi notes other research from the Center for Workforce Development at Rutgers University also finds recent recession graduates might be more satisfied with their jobs than many people might expect.

Furthermore, there's no research evidence that finds that such gratitude reduces ambition, she adds.

But 2014 grads may be in a sweet spot: Since they're "likely to be fairly grateful given what they have seen their older friends and siblings go through," Bianchi concludes.

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Smoker's Outlet is looking for **Store Managers** and **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid weekly. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply.

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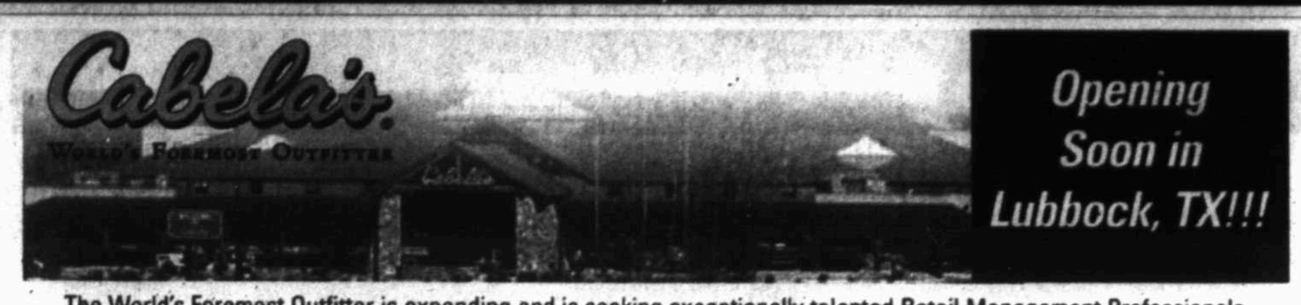

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Start the New Year off right! Wood's Boots is adding to our sales team at both Midland locations. It is a good environment with great customers, the best hours in retail, room for advancement, and benefits. Stop in at 4803 Andrews Hwy or 812 W I-20 for an application.

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Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products, including mywesttexas.com.

Qualifications & Skills:

- *Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented environment*
- *Excellent customer service and time management skills*
- *Highly organized with the ability to work independently with minimal supervision*
- *Detail-oriented with good communication, spelling and math skills*

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- Ability to read and write
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- Ability to count accurately and do simple math
- Able to operate a forklift and willing to be certified
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- Must be able to work weekends when necessary

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- Accurate loading and unloading of printed materials in a safe and efficient manner
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- Perform other non-forklift duties when assigned

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Send resume and salary requirements to: **John Maddox, Director of Production/Facilities**
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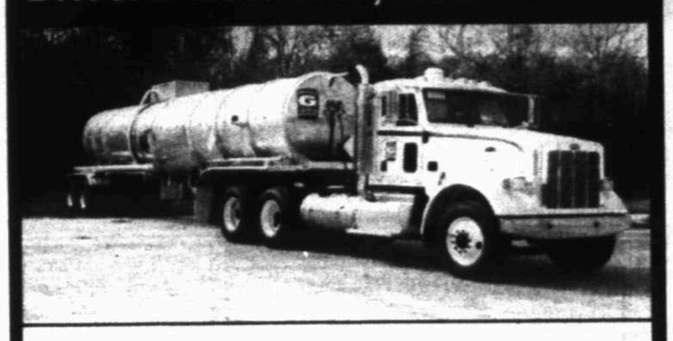

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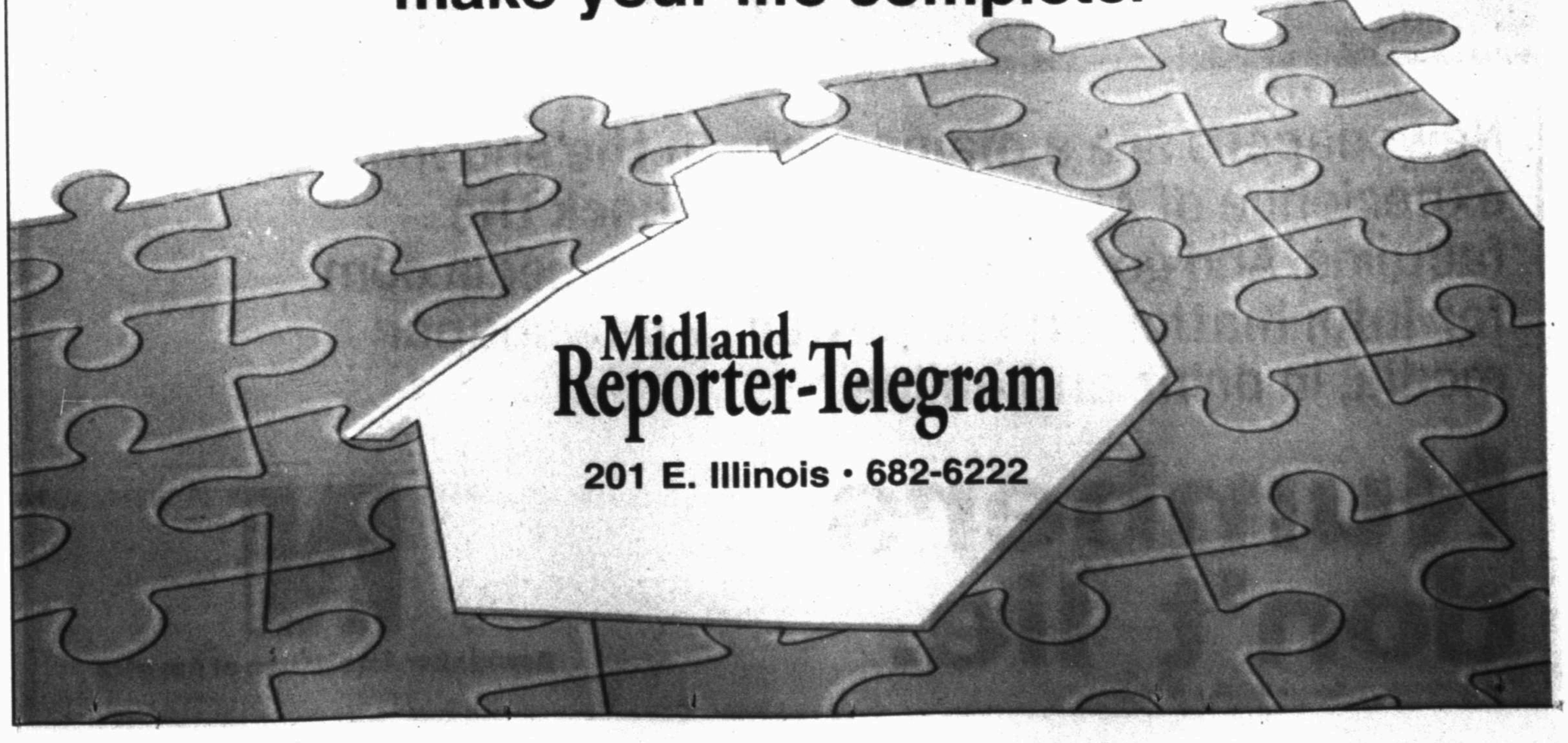

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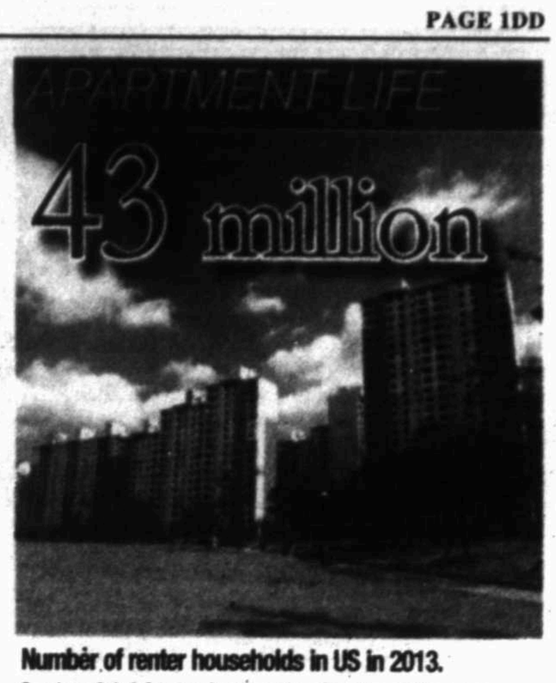

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THE THREE L's OF REAL ESTATE ARE GIVING WAY TO THREE S's

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Location, location, location – still hugely important when it comes to buying real estate. Architects and homebuilders, though, say that three more factors are coming to the forefront.

A newly released survey by the American Institute of Architects shows that homeowners prefer community-driven, walkable neighborhoods with contemporary home exteriors.

"With a revival in interest in urban living, there has been a marked transition in what people are looking for in their communities," said AIA Chief Economist Kermit Baker in a recent press release.

The AIA's Home Design Trends Survey evaluated the third quarter of 2013, focusing on trends in neighborhoods and community design. The survey also found that the housing market is recovering in nearly every sector.

Infill development topped the list of most important community design elements. Easy access to retail, transportation, entertainment, employment is vital to enticing would-be residents to urban communities, Baker says.

The survey also evaluated the popularity of a variety of home exterior features such as: low-maintenance exterior materials, front porches, windows and sustainable roofing, contemporary design, simpler exterior detailing and single story homes.

"We're seeing people build smaller homes," says Matt Risinger, president of Risinger Homes, a building and remodeling company in Austin, Texas.

While the use of low-maintenance exterior materials was most preferred, the largest increases from 2012 figures were in windows and sustainable roofing, as well as contemporary design.

To Risinger's clients, a low energy bill is appealing, so it's no surprise that the AIA survey reflected an increase in the use of green home materials, such as sustainable roofing products and solar reflective, cool roofs.

The use of windows on home exteriors is also growing in popularity and showed a 10 percent increase from 2012 figures.

"For the Baby Boomer generation, there's more focus on the quality of their home. It's about building homes smaller, better and more efficient," Risinger says.

In the Midwest, the trend is similar. "They're looking for ranches, one floor, all the utilities on the same level, wider stairways, wider doorways, they're trying to eliminate stairs," says Guy Lipovsek of Brillo Home Improvements, a residential and commercial remodeling firm in Milwaukee.

Clients have a desire to live in their homes as they age, rather than move into nursing homes, Lipovsek says.

Low-maintenance products stand at the top of the list of popular features for home exteriors, according to the AIA survey. Both Risinger and Lipovsek say they've seen a rise in the use of low-maintenance products – such as synthetic siding, and brick and stone exteriors – in the homes that they've built.

The residential housing market is recovering, as reported by residential architects. Of the respondents, 40 percent indicated an increase in their firm's billings over the preceding quarter.

"I think it's confirming other trends that we're seeing, that the residential market has turned around pretty nicely and pretty sharply and it's got a lot of momentum behind it. And it's likely to continue," Baker says.

The housing recovery has followed a pattern of improvement by sector. Condos and townhouses and vacation and second homes have been the slowest to recover, mainly due to overdevelopment before the market collapse in 2008, Baker says.

In terms of regional growth, the market is likely to see the most growth in the South and Western U.S., due to population growth.

Based upon housing forecasts, a 25 percent increase in 2014 in the level of production, as well as a 10 percent increase in spending on home improvement is predicted, according to Baker.

He says, "I think most economists are looking at the housing market as one of the strongest sectors in the economy this coming year."

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ANSWER:

The APR, or "annual percentage rate," is intended to help borrowers better understand the cost of possible loan choices and provide a way to quickly and easily compare mortgage options.

According to the Federal Trade Commission, the "APR takes into account not only the interest rate but also points, broker fees, and certain other credit charges that you may be required to pay, expressed as a yearly rate."

Generally, to compute the APR, you first have to look at the interest rate, the 6.5 percent in your example. Then you add in related fees and divide by the potential length of the loan.

But, this calculation often doesn't work. Here are two reasons why.

First, notice what the FTC said in its APR definition. "Certain" fees are used to figure the APR – but not all fees. The $5,000 number used in your example may include costs that are not part of an APR calculation.

Second, the APR is computed over the potential life of the mortgage, say 30 years. This sounds reasonable for purposes of comparing loans, but makes little sense in the real world because few mortgages are outstanding that long.

For instance, the financial impact of $5,000 in fees is far greater over 10 years than over 30 years.

As an alternative to the APR, ask lenders to quote the "par" rate for any mortgage offer – the interest cost with zero points. Then compare closing costs separately.

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How-To: Pick the Right Lender

For many borrowers, the challenge is not merely finding a lender. It's sorting through the confusion of banks, brokers, online lenders, and more to find the right lender. With so many options, it can be confusing and challenging to find the best deal, or a company that you trust. Below are a few pro tips.

1. Talk with your real estate professional

It's always a great idea to ask your real estate agent for lender recommendations. While some brokerages have affiliations with specific lenders, most professionals will suggest several credible lenders, not just their in-house option. And because the lender they recommend wants to keep a good relationship with the agent who is sending them referrals, they will most likely take great care of you.

2. Contact the lender before you fill out an application

Before you spend a ton of time filling out an application, call or visit your local bank to talk with someone one-on-one.

This will give you great insight before you even begin the paper work. How do they treat you? Is their customer service up to par? Are they pressuring you into filing an application?

There's no point in pursuing a lender that doesn't make you feel comfortable, so why waste time with an application?

3. Turn the interview tables

After your application is submitted, you will be asked to have an interview. Interviews are always nerve wracking, whether they're for a new job, or a new loan. But take this opportunity to ask the lender any and all of the questions you may have.

While you want to be approved, you also want to make sure you're making the right lending choice, so don't be afraid to turn the tables a bit in the interview. Not sure what to ask? Try a few of the following questions:

- How long will it take to process my loan application?
- What is the minimum down payment required?
- What might delay my approval?
- Do you offer loan rate locks?
- Is there a prepayment penalty?
- What are the discount points and origination fees?

4. Study rates, points and fees

When comparing lenders, there are three things you can whittle your attention down to: rates, points, and fees. Things like taxes and insurance won't vary too much from lender to lender, so these aren't as important. However, rates, points, and fees can differ greatly from lender to lender, and the numbers all affect one another, so be sure to pay close attention and calculate carefully.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

What's the difference between a real estate agent and a REALTOR®?

When you're looking for a good restaurant, you might get some advice from a friend, coworker, or family member. The same is true when you're searching for a real estate agent to help you buy or sell a home. In fact, referrals are one of the top ways that agents get new clients. When you get a recommendation, how much research do you do about that restaurant? What about that real estate agent? You might simply visit the restaurant instead of scouring the Internet for confirmation of your friend's good recommendation. But when it comes to choosing a real estate agent, it's a good idea to do your own research since buying or selling a home is an important transaction. The first thing you can do to vet a real estate professional is to find out if the agent merely holds a real estate license or is a Texas REALTOR®. There's a difference between the two, and the difference matters.

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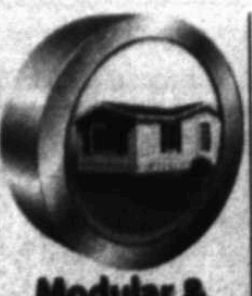

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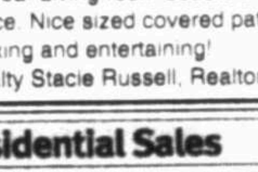

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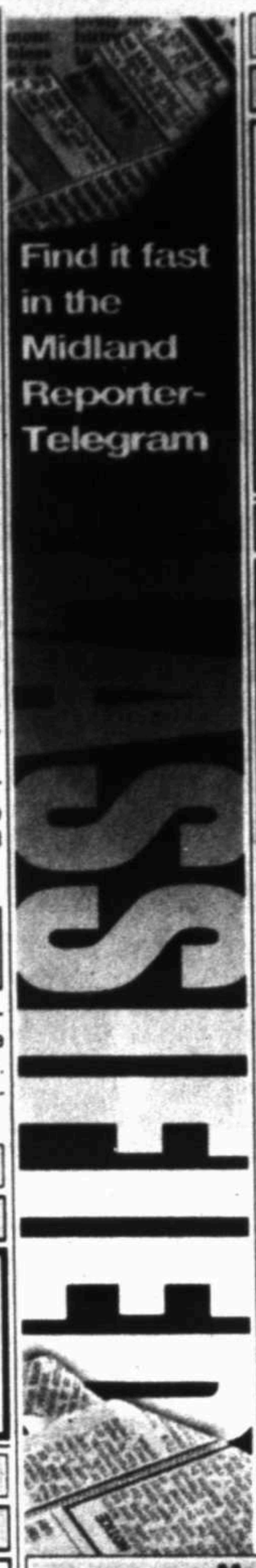

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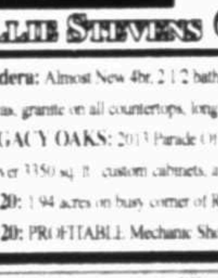

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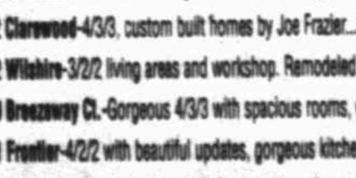

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- 18.54 Ac. Mockingbird Lane ... $1,000,000
- 4415 Wood - 3.36 acres, 4 bd, 3 ½ ba, media room ... $925,000
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- 1409 SCR 1130 - Greenwood 3/2/2 complete remodel, 2,900 sq. ft., outdoor kitchen, tennis courts ... $449,900
- 4116 Fox Hollow - 5 bd, 3 1/2 ba, 2 living ... REDUCED $443,000
- 10312 & 10316 WCR 60 - 2 story home. Huge shop, two homes for the one price ... $399,000
- 1002 Boyd - 5 bd, 3 ba ... $397,000
- 6111 ECR 105 - 3 bd, 2 ½ ba, 2.296 acres, huge shop, pond ... $375,000
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- 6009 Nottingham Lane- 4 br, 2.5 ba, low maintenance yard, covered patio ... $310,000
- 5410 Los Patio- 3 bd, 2 ba, corner lot ... $295,000
- 1700 Community Ln. - 4 bd / 3 bd, in-law plan, great location ... REDUCED $289,000
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- #2 Oaklawn Park - 2 bd, 2 ba, 2 din, guest quarters in gated community ... REDUCED $279,000
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- 2903 Wydewood Dr. - 3 br / 2 ba, new listings, lots of updates and hot tub ... $235,000
- 3328 W. Shandon - 3 bd, 2 ba, Artist/Study ... $229,000
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- Commerical Lots - 10 Lots on Front St ... $190,000
- 208 E. Dormard - 4 bd, 2 ba, new carpet & paint ... $160,000
- 4881 ECR 130 - 10 AC LAND! ... $160,000
- 2100 West Wadley #62- 2 storey condo w/ 2 large master suites, recent tile, paint, carpet and counters ... $154,900
- 4411 Storey - 3 bd, 2 ba ... REDUCED $150,000
- 412 E. Cottonwood Ave. - 2 bd, 1 ba, total remodel & updates ... $129,900
- 3225 Travis - 2 bd, 2 ba, 2 la, remodeled ... REDUCED $126,500
- 4209 ECR 61 - 2.34 AC, Bonito Estates ... $104,130
- 4001 ECR 61 - 2.34 AC, Bonito Estates ... $104,130
- 3316 Caldera - Sagewood Condo, high ceilings, fireplace ... REDUCED $99,900
- 4201 ECR 61 - 2 AC, Bonito Estates ... $89,000
- 1802 E. California - 2 br, 1 ba, New paint & carpet ... $69,900
- 3219 Roosevelt - 2 br, 1 ba, 1 car garage. Cute & clean. New roof ... $69,000

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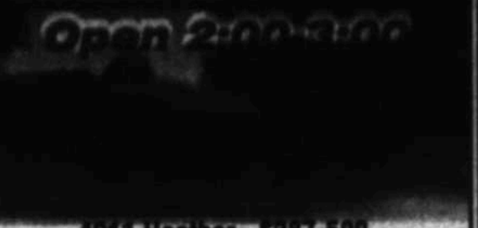

4911 Heather - $287,500
4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths.

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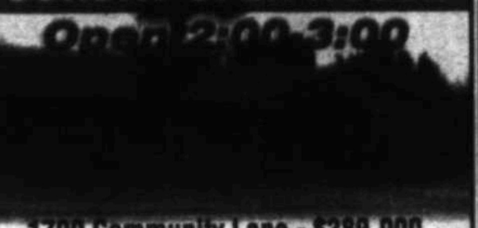

1700 Community Lane - $289,000
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, mother-in-law plan.

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2503 W. Cuthbert Ave.....*Call Cameron Willmann 978-4298*
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504 SW 17th St., Seminole.....*Call Cecilia Salinas 664-0088*
3br/2ba. Charming home located in a wonderful neighborhood. Nicely updated w/an open floor plan ... $175,000

703 Melton Alley.....*Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Dale Lookabaugh 553-0766*
Cute 2 bed/2 bath/2 car townhouse! Low maintenance, security system, atrium & spacious master! ... $125,000

4+ Bedrooms

17 LaPaz Circle, Odessa...*Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Raquel Colvin Dixon 638-4321*
5BR/5BA. Exquisite home with a view of the pond in LaPaz Cir! 4 fireplaces and a media room ... U/C... $1,590,000

3609 Mockingbird Lane.... *Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Raquel Colvin Dixon 638-4321*
Stunning home located on 4.5 acres! Amenities include Pool, Pool house, game room, workshop & outdoor kitchen! ... $1,095,000

2511 Colonial Oaks Ct.....*Call Kay Sutton 416-0289*
4 bed/4 1/2 bath w/gourmet cook's kitchen w/lots of counter space, granite countertops, and stainless steel appliances. Wood flooring ... REDUCED...$639,900

3406 Co. Rd. B2240, Stanton.....*Call Cameron Willmann 978-4298*
4BR, 3BA in Northridge Development on 2.64 acres, with barn, tackroom & RV parking $419,900

910 E. Co. Rd. 125......*Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Dale Lookabaugh 553-0766*
Beautiful 4 bed/3 bath on 1.66 acres w/a single detached garage & an open floor plan w/2,634 sq. ft. ... $399,500

3124 Fairfield.....*Call Kay Sutton 416-0289*
4/3/3 under construction with March 2014 expected completion. Granite, stainless appliances, water well and more ... $394,900

4500 Green Tree Blvd.....*Call Bill Lanier/Raquel Colvin Dixon 638-4321/682-1144*
Fantastic 4 bed/3 bath in Gree Tree! Granite, wood floors covered patio & spacious backyard! ... U/C... $299,500

4802 Illinois Ave......*Call Cameron Willmann 978-4298*
4 bed/3 bath. All bathrooms remodeled and entire house boasts of crown molding! Kitchen has granite countertops, plenty of cabinet space and covered patio REDUCED...$179,900

3 Bedrooms

5209 Ellen Jayne Way.....*Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Dale Lookabaugh 553-0766*
Fabulous new construction by Lance Friday! Open floor plan w/3 bed/2 bath & beautiful finishes thru-out! ... $399,000

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Spacious 3 bed/3.5 bath w/30x50 shop, 10x10 basement, sunroom & 3,226 sq. ft.! ... $349,900

2700 Caldera Blvd.....*Call Lillian Iniguez 349-7965*
3 bed/2 bath w/huge living room located in a convenient part of town. His/her walk-in closets in master bedroom ... $237,000

4629 Ric Dr......*Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Dale Lookabaugh 553-0766*
Spacious move-in ready 3 bd w/open floor plan! ... $123,900

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2100 W. Wadley Ave.....*Call Mary Lynn Parsley 413-4248*
2BR/2.5BA. Spacious living room w/fireplace. Bar seating looking into kitchen ... $145,000

2316 W. Kansas Ave.....*Call Norman Neyman 894-6104*
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1908 Coleman Ct.....*Call Bill Lanier 682-1144*
Gorgeous 4 bed/3 bath w/2 living & 2 dining areas! Corner lot, spacious bedrooms & lg. backyard! ... $3,250/month $3,250/deposit

401 Miller Ct......*Call Bill Lanier 682-1144*
Great 3 bed/2 bath in quiet cul-de-sac! Great floor plan w/new carpet, paint & covered patio! ... $2,250/month $2,250/deposit

Odessa & Surrounding Areas

1066 St. Hwy. 115, Pyote, Tx.....*Call Lillian Iniguez 349-7965*
3 bed/3 bath amazing home w/underground, heated pool and wrap-around porch. 15 acres ... $350,000

2141 Westbrook Ave. Odessa.....*Call Kay Sutton 416-0289*
Spacious 4 bedroom/3bath home. Wonderful open living space. Large workshop. Centrally located for shoping ... $199,900

15001 E. Co. Rd. 106, Stanton.....*Call Charlotte Dalton 352-7298*
4 bed/2 bath. A must see! Sequestered master bdrm w/large master bathroom. Kitchen has a lg. island w/seating for 4 ... $157,000

Land & Lots

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Great lot in Mockingbird Oaks, just over an acre. Ready for your custom home ... $167,500

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5322 Bella Place...... *Call Nathan Reeves 631-9657*
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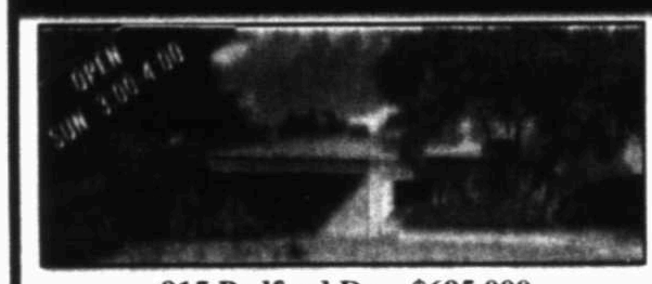

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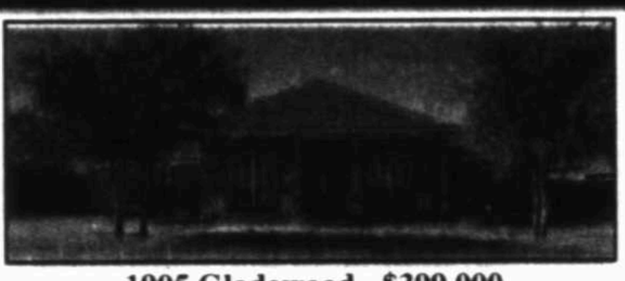

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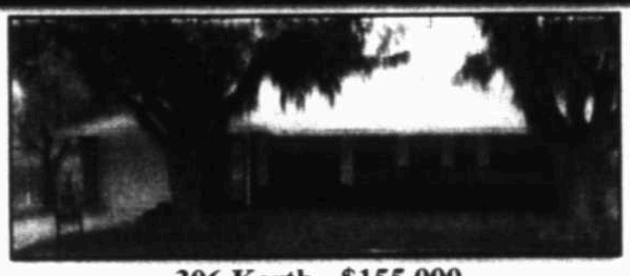

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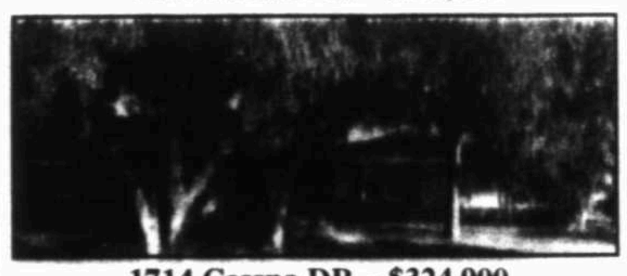

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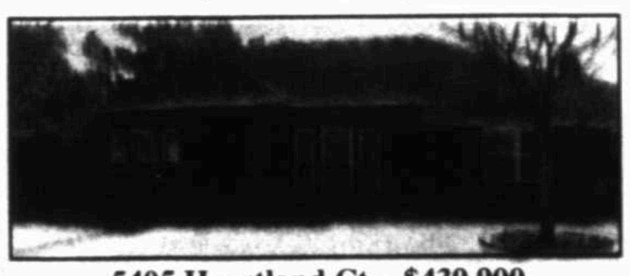

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- 1905 Gladewood-Move-in ready in Grassland West ... $399,000
- 5702 Pedernales-Beautiful 4BR/2.5BA Kahler home with open floorplan ... $340,000
- 17 Winchester Ct.-Wonderful Winchester townhome with extra space and fun updates ... $325,000
- 1714 Cessna Dr.-3/2.5, 3 living patio home. Lush landscaping w/mature trees in front ... $324,900
- 2512 Lockheed Ave.-Custom 3/3 1/2/2 townhome in "Old Midland" ... $299,500
- 3103 Preston-3BR, 2BA, fresh paint, wood & tile flooring ... $232,000
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- 5311 Hilltop Dr.-4BR/3BA move-in ready! Beautiful well maintained home in Greathouse ... $3,500 Month
- 511 S. Bentwood Dr.-3BR/2BA. Pets negotiable ... $1,900 Month

TWO BEDROOMS

- 915 Bedford-Would you believe it has a racquetball court? Loads of custom features! ... $695,000
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- 1101 E. County Rd. 124-3BR, 2BA, workshop, RV carport U/C...$310,000
- 1002 ECR 124-Gorgeous updated 3BR, 2BA, open spacious, kitchen/den, 2 car garage, 40x60 workshop, pool 2.66 acres. Appraised for $310,000 U/C...$299,900
- 2512 Lockheed Ave.-Custom 3/3 1/2/2 townhome in "Old Midland" ... $299,500
- 3407 S. Hwy. 349-Great Commercial location ... $250,000
- 3609 Wedgwood-Low maintenance and loaded - granite, stainless, plantation shutters, 3BR, 2BA, 2CG U/C...$249,900
- 5705 Llano-So many amenities, pretty drive-up, bonus room could be dining, office or playroom. Move-in ready! U/C...$249,500
- 3400 Rosemont Dr.-3BR/2.5BA/2 garage U/C...$239,000
- 3103 Preston-3BR, 2BA, fresh paint, wood & tile flooring ... $232,000
- 1905 Ward st.-Wow- Gorgeous! U/C...$232,000
- 4520 Fairbanks-Gorgeous 3BR, 2BA, spacious den, formal dining, eat-in kitchen, 2 garage U/C...$229,900
- 4509 Spence Dr.-Great newer home w/large open living, dining, kitchen area. Move-in ready ... $229,000
- 5106 Anetta Dr.-Cute, cute, cute U/C...$189,900
- 2415 Storey Ave.-Nicely updated 3bdr/2bth home w/beautiful hardwood floors on large lot U/C...$179,000
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- 3519 W. Illinois-Updated & Cute! New price, bonus room, detached garage! U/C...$149,000
- 101 W. Spruce-3br, 1bath, 2 living, lots of updates - open floor plan ... $130,900
- 207 W. Hamby-3 bedroom or 2 bedroom with study, 2 baths, 2 living areas, 1 dining area, hardwoods, large bonus room and utility room, 2 garage SOLD...$129,900

FOUR BEDROOMS

- 2800 Passage Way-20 acres in town, gorgeous! ... $2,595,000
- 4107 Tanforan Ave.-Perfect home in Mockingbird Heights w/4BR/3.5BA. See the many amenities, gorgeous custom decor plus pool and much more ... $1,500,000
- 4201 Tanforan Ave.-Fabulous custom 4BR, 4BA, (2) 1/2 baths, 3 living areas, study, 4 car garage U/C...$859,900
- 4505 Bent Tree-Lovely home in Green Tree North with pool! ... $795,000
- 2007 Country Club Dr.-Wonderful 4bdr/4bth home U/C...$595,000
- 2610 Inwood-Beautifully updated 4bdr/3.5bths/3 car gar w/2LA and 2FP. A must see property ... $594,500
- 4001 Baybrook-Lovely 4BR/3 full baths/2 half baths. Mockingbird Heights ... $569,000
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- 4900 Melville-Crowd pleaser w/2 large living areas, flowing floor plan, bright 4bdr/2.5bth, covered patio, double garage plus workshop too for only SOLD...$279,000
- 4801 Whitman Dr.-Looks like a model home. Gently lived in 4 br with decoraters colors, WOW! SOLD...$277,500
- 2307 Maxwell-Terrific 4 bdrm home with great floor plan, high ceilings, updated kitchen and bathrooms in central location U/C...$249,000
- 2107 College Ave.-Cottage look from the outside but big & grand inside. Wonderful open plan w/tons of space U/C...$180,000
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- 3315 Cuthbert Ave.-Investor Special! Cash buyer - granite in kitchen ... $105,000

FIVE OR MORE BEDROOMS

- 4 Willow Ct.-Racquet Club at its finest. Perfect location, fantastic space, gorgeous amenities. Must see! ... $2,990,000
- 5611 N. Midland Dr.-This spacious home has it all! Contemporary style great guest house, beautiful grounds, horse lovers dream includes an indoor arena! ... $2,300,000
- 2003 Sinclair-Fabulous 5BR in Warwick, 4LA, pool, spa, gameroom, beautifully updated ... $1,195,000
- 6706 West Wind Ct.-Elegant, family friendly 5/6 bedroom, 5.5 bath, 4/5 living areas, 5 car garage, parking pad, gorgeous pool/spa, koi pond, plus family yard on #6 Tee Box Green Tree North ... $1,300,000
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- Mockingbird Oaks-1 Acre lot ... $131,000
- 7600, 7602 & 7610 Keyhaven, Odessa-Very few lots left in Castle Ridge Phase 2-Hurry! ... $62,000 ea.

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- 2136 Commerce Dr.-Approximately 32,920 sq. ft. warehouse/fabrication facility with over 6,400 sq. ft. of office, easy access to I-20 or Hwy. 80. Call Bill Scott REDUCED...$895,000
- 5000 Block of N. Midkiff-2.0+/- acres for development, great for office complex. Call Bill Scott ... $575,000
- 1702 E. New Jersey-3,000 sq. ft. warehouse or shop. Call Bill Scott 682-1111 or Brandee Noll 230-4488 ... $150,000
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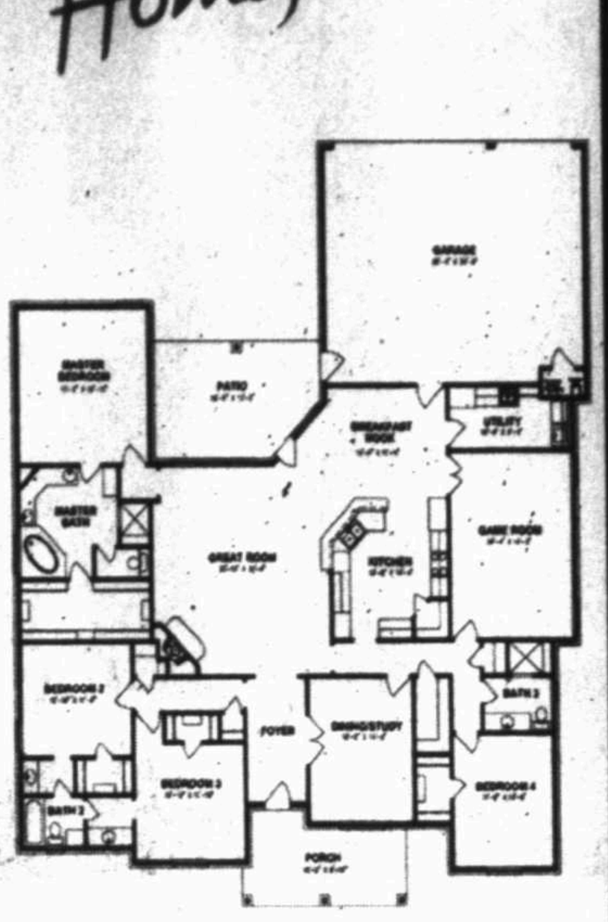

5913 Sabine
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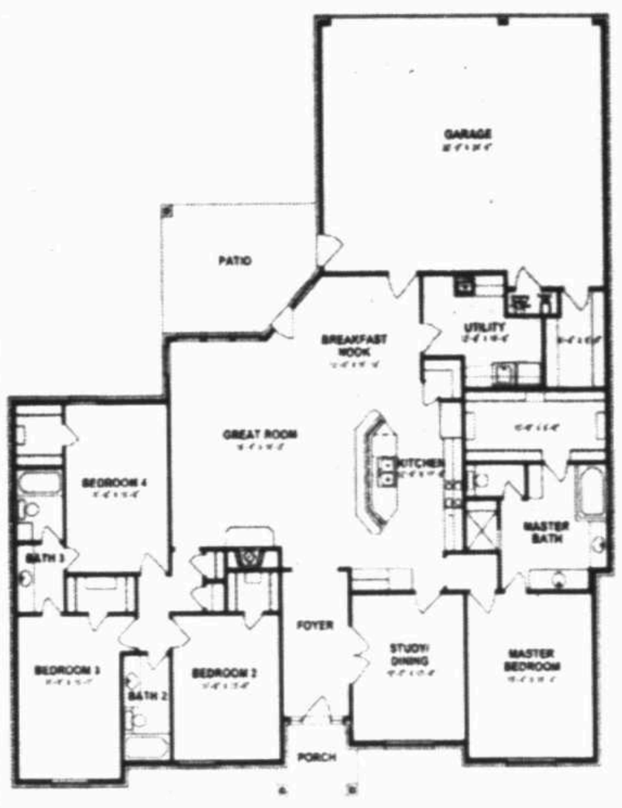
This gorgeous home in Heritage Oaks includes 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, a formal dining, & large game room. Kitchen features custom built cabinetry, granite countertops and a gas cooktop. This home is a MUST SEE!



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5802 Sabine- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Study, 2 Car Garage	$334,500
5804 Sabine- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Formal Dining, 3 Car Garage	$343,500
5815 Sabine- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Study, 3 Car Garage	$349,500
5911 Sabine- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Study, Game Room, 3 Car Garage	$392,500
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Nice views, perfect for first time home buyer or "horse people". 4 Br, 2 Bath in Ruidoso Downs. Wood stove, deck & carport too! $118,000. #112345

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2301 Texland Cir.-Absolutely stunning 6 bed/5 bath+2 half baths with saltwater pool in Texland Estates! U/C $2,200,000
3900 Fairwood-This stunning 5 bed/4.5 bath home sits on a quiet cul-de-sac in Mockingbird Heights! Some of its incredible features include a gourmet kitchen, a beautiful wrought ironed railed staircase, hand scraped hardwood floors, gorgeous granite and a fabulous 1420 sq. ft. guesthouse! $999,900
4105 Fairwood-NEW!-Absolutely stunning 5 bed/3 bath/2 half bath home in Mockingbird Heights! Gorgeous updates throughout! Gourmet kitchen! Sparkling pool and putting green! $825,000
4904 Island Dr.-Spacious 5 bed/4.5 bath home in Green Tree North sits on the lake! Den boasts a towering fireplace and built-ins! Breakfast dining is open to the living and has a private patio! $799,900
5408 Whitman-Fantastic 5 bed/3 bath home sits on almost 7 acres! Spacious living areas with soaring ceilings! Lots of recent updates including the master bath complete with heated floors! Gorgeous yards and dazzling pool! 30X40 fully insulated workshop with overhead door + covered awning! $750,000
3400 Meadowridge Ln.-Absolutely spectacular 4 bed/4 bath home in Trinity Meadows with many updates! Some of its fabulous features include walls of windows, miles of tile, built-ins, sky lights, window seats, stained concrete, granite, plantation shutters, and crown molding! Sparkling pool, cabana, and hot tub! $535,000
4516 Hilltop Dr.-Spectacular 4 bed/3 bath home in Briarwood w/mature trees and lush landscaping! Unbelievable hand-troweled texture (ceiling & walls), dramatic 12ft ceilings, stacked stained crown molding, and hand scraped hardwood floors! Granite and stone countertops in the gourmet kitchen and all baths! $475,000
5307 Mathis St.-Gorgeous 4 bed/3 bath home in Greathouse School District! SOLD $409,900
7000 Calen Ct.- Absolutely immaculate 5 bed/3.5 bath home in Green Tree North! SOLD $409,900
4505 Rosewood Dr.-Immaculate move-in ready 4 bed/2 bath home in Briarwood! Beautifully updated throughout! Spacious living area with wood burning fireplace! Formal dining and breakfast area! Peaceful backyard with artifical turf! $360,000
5215 Quicksand Dr.- Stunning 4 bed/2.5 bath home in Greathouse! SOLD $334,900
5609 Llano Ct.-Spectacular lower maintenance 4 bed/2 bath Mark Payne Resale in Holiday Hill Village! SOLD $279,900
9203 Dublin Ave. ODESSA-Fabulous 4 bed/2 bath home sits on a lovely cul-de-sac! Gorgeous open floor plan! Beautiful kitchen w/terrific breakfast bar, granite, and opens to the spacious den w/a fireplace! $269,900

SUNDAY OPEN HOUSE

OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 1:30 TO 2:30

912 Nolan Ryan Dr.-NEW!- Absolutely immaculate 3 bed/2 bath home in Legends Park! Spacious living area with high ceilings, and brick fireplace! **$219,900**

4+ BEDROOMS

3842 Blossom Ln.-ODESSA- Charming updated 4 or 5 bed/2.5 bath home on a restful curved street in East Odessa! Sunroom and man cave! Updates in the kitchen and baths! Updated floors, windows, and privacy fence! Tons of outside improvements! Lovely backyard with huge deck and covered area with fire pit! $243,500
4702 Cindy Pl.-Spacious 4 bed/2 bath home sits on a quiet cul-de-sac in Wydewood Estates! Cozy den boasts a large stone fireplace and opens to the dining! $225,000
4612 Erie Dr.-Spacious 4 bed/2 bath home in Wilshire Heights! HVAC installed in 2012! SOLD $139,900

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

1902 N. L-Absolutely stunning over-the-top show stopper in the heart of Warwick! SOLD $539,900
3701 Timber Wolf Trail-Custom Robert Anderson 3 bed/3 bath new construction sits on 4.82 acres! Gourmet kitchen with stainless appliances, walk-in pantry, and granite countertops! Sequestered master has dual vanities, French doors, and huge closet! 2 water wells and RO to all sinks! $425,000
803 Trinidad Pl.-Fabulous 3 bed/2.5 bath Kahler new construction home in Woodland Park! SOLD $412,500
2610 E FM 1212 STANTON-Fabulous county property on 12.888 acres w/2 water wells, 60X25 workshop, 3 storage buildings and over 100 trees! Trailer is completely remodeled w/new floors, roof, outlets, windows, A/C, paint, and fixtures! $387,900
2500 Bainbridge Dr. ODESSA-Spacious 3 bed/2.5 bath home sits on a huge corner lot w/a dazzling swimming pool! Flagstone floors, soaring vaulted ceilings, formal, and breakfast dining! Large living wall looks onto the tiled pool! $375,000
5724 E County Rd. 98-Fabulous find in Greenwood in Stonendge addition! SOLD $360,000
2700 SCR 1089-Fabulous 3 bed/2 bath home in Cielo Vista subdivision on 2.83 acres in Greenwood! $275,000
2304 Bellechasse Ct. - Spacious 3 bed/4 bath home with 3 living areas on a quiet cul-de-sac! Inground pool and wet bar! Beamed vaulted ceiling in den! Recent tile in kitchen and game room! Stainless appliances in the kitchen! Zoned HVAC and 2 inch blinds throughout! Mature trees! $259,900
912 Nolan Ryan Dr.-NEW!- Absolutely immaculate 3 bed/2 bath home in Legends Park! Spacious living area with high ceilings, and brick fireplace! $219,900
4300 Gleneagles Dr.-Spacious 4 bed/2.5 bath home sits within walking distance to Parker Elementary! Living room boasts a wood-burning fireplace, built-ins, and soaring vaulted beamed ceiling! Updated gourmet kitchen has breakfast bar, under cabinet lighting, and stainless appliances! $214,900
2826 Metz Dr.-Wonderfully updated 3 bed/2 bath home near the mall, Goddard, and park! SOLD $210,000
3005 Fredna Pl.-Fabulous updated 3 bed/2 bath home in Wydewood Estates located within walking distance to Bush Elementary! Some of its features include hand textured walls, refurbished cabinets, recent appliances, recent interior paint, tile, wood laminate flooring, and much more! $202,500

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

2401 Terrace-NEW!-One owner 3 bed/2 bath home in Fannin Terrace on a corner lot! Cinder block fence and 300 sq. ft. detached 3rd car garage/workshop! $185,000
4909 Brookdale Dr.-Fantastic updated 3 bed/2 bath move-in ready home with an open floor plan! SOLD $173,000
1310 W. Tennessee Ave.-Updated and absolutely charming 3 bed/2 bath home on a landscaped corner lot! U/C $155,000
405 Edgewood Dr.-Great 3 bed/2 bath floor plan with huge kitchen full of cabinets and fridge! U/C $150,000
4006 Avondale-NEW!-Wow fantastic 3 bed/1.5 bath home within walking distance to school! U/C $149,900
101 S. Dewberry-Updated move-in ready 3 bed/2 bath home on a corner lot! SOLD $149,000
113 S. Tyler-Absolutely spectacular 3 bed/2 bath new construction home from G.O. Home! SOLD $145,000
109 Gray St. Stanton.-NEW!- Nicely updated 3 bed/1.5 bath home with a bonus room! Lots of new wood laminate floors and carpet throughout! $120,000
600 Liddon #48-Fabulously remodeled 2 bed/1.5 bath townhome with large corner yard! SOLD $98,500

LAND, LOTS AND RENTALS

4403 W-I20-NEW!-Great commercial land 5.1 acres with interstate 20 frontage! Business Park Zoning! $325,000
County Rd. 2300-Prime location for residential building sites minutes from Midland w/easy access to the loop! Deed restrictions-No mobile homes! Water Wells without pumps! 20.98 acres! $209,800
2278 County Rd. 2001-12.20 acre corner plat with more adjoining acreage available! Great location in developing area with easy access to Loop 250 North! $183,000
County Rd. 2300-Prime location for residential building sites minutes from Midland w/easy access to the loop! Deed restrictions-No mobile homes! Water Wells without pumps! 10.44 acres! $104,400
4403 W 1-20-NEW!-3 acres for $90,000 or can be sold as 1 acre lots for $30,000 each! SOLD $90,000
2221 Timber Wolf Lane-Build in Midland's newest subdivisions, Timber Wolf Estates! Huge 5 acres in Martin County! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! $75,000
1975 Timber Wolf Lane-Build in Midland's newest subdivisions Timber Wolf Estates! Huge 4.8 acres in Martin County! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! $72,000
1998 Timber Wolf Lane-Build in Midland's newest subdivisions, Timber Wolf Estates! Huge 4.3 acres in Martin County! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! $64,500
Cutter Estates – NEW! Build in Gardendale's newest subdivision, Cutter Estates! Approximately .75 acre lots! $35,000 per lot! Will build to suit! 16 LOTS! $35,000
107 Mockingbird #104-NEW! Executive living at it's best! 3 Bed/2 bath/2 car garage condo style home with granite, soaring ceilings, abundant cabinetry, and hardwood floors! Inside entry for extra security! $3000.00 a month! $3000.00
107 Mockingbird #204-NEW! Executive living at it's best! 3 Bed/3 bath/2 car garage condo style home with granite, soaring ceilings, abundant cabinetry, and hardwood floors! Inside entry for extra security! $3500.00 a month! $3500.00

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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

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4916 KING RICHARDS ROW - $239,900
New to the market! Charming 3 bedroom home in Greathouse Elementary area. Large backyard and place for an R.V. Single living area, formal dining or second living area. Super area south of GTCC. Vivint equipped "Smart home". Come by and see!
Shown by Pat Paxton, 432-352-2622

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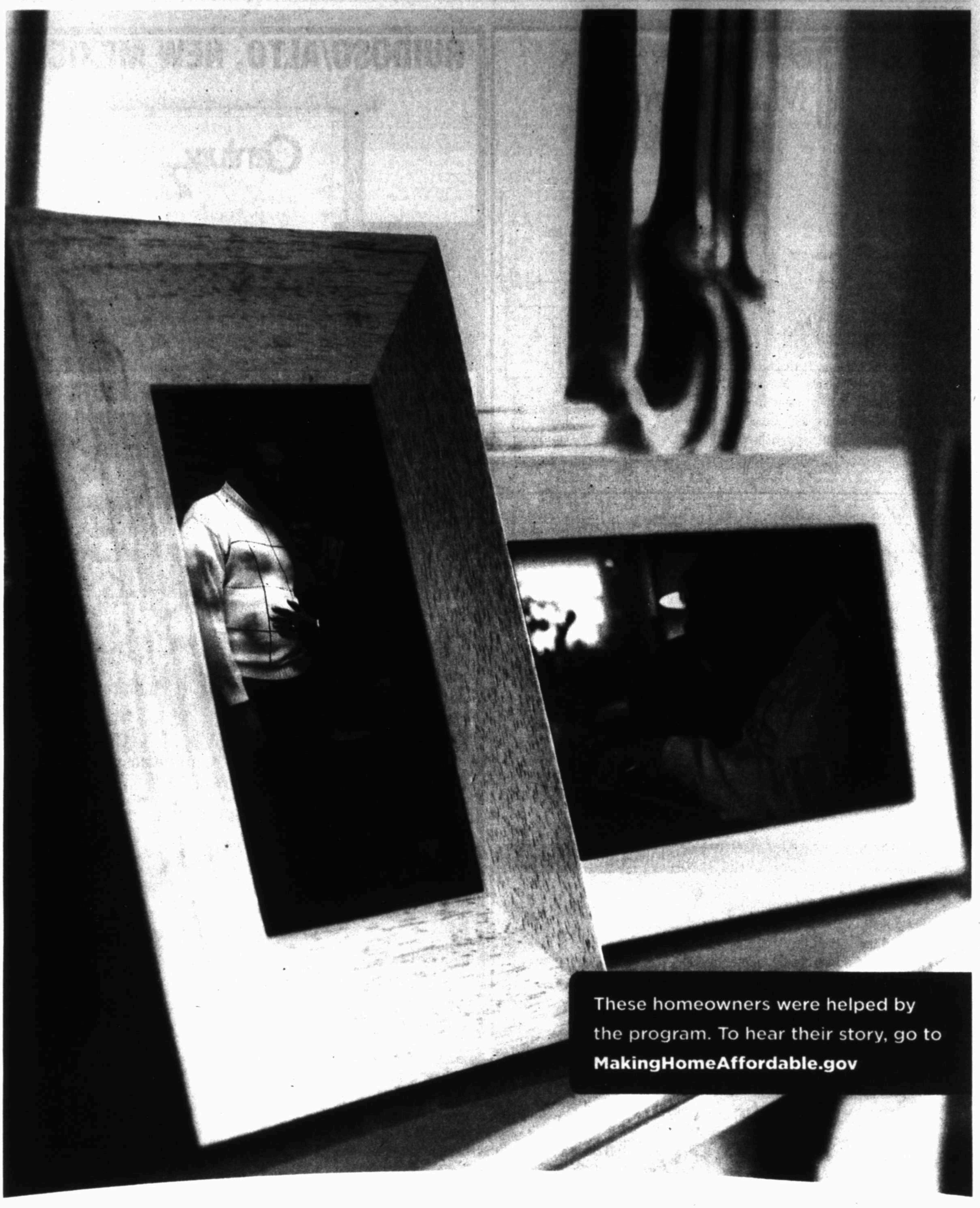
5008 RUSTIC TRAIL - $389,900
"GOLFERS PARADISE" Lovely 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home with custom cabinetry, crown molding & recessed lighting; granite countertops in kitchen & all bathrooms! 2 car garage with circle drive. Storage shed and camera system included!!
Shown by Glenda Mathews, 432-254-8243

SUNDAY FEATURED HOME

3206 CALLAWAY DR. - $899,000
Perfectly planned custom home w/huge closets and built-ins everywhere! Formal large, dining, kitchen w/terrific bake center stone fireplace in family room, game room for pool table, office, hobby room or 4th bedroom, sequestered master bedroom w/ place for excercise equipment, workshop, fabulous pool & enormous covered patio; 4 car garage.
For more information, call Pat Paxton @ 432-352-2622

4+ BEDROOM		
3206 CALLAWAY DR	FACT ID #1053	$899,000
4108 FAIRWOOD DR	FACT ID #1042	$720,000
200 SOLOMON LN	FACT ID #1061	$654,900
726 AUGUSTA DR	FACT ID #1072	$650,000
5008 RUSTIC TRAIL	FACT ID #1011	$389,900
3204 MAXWELL DR	FACT ID #1005	$374,400
2212 BRADFORD CT	FACT ID #1082	U/C
3209 STANOLIND AVE	FACT ID #1035	$349,600
5015 LOS ALAMITOS	FACT ID #1098	U/C
2113 BRADFORD CT	FACT ID #1089	U/C
3809 FAIRHAVEN CT	FACT ID #1067	U/C
3117 W. MICHIGAN AVE	FACT ID #1078	$745,000
5111 BLUE HAVEN		U/C
3 BEDROOM		
2819 DURANT DR	FACT ID #1095	$240,000
4916 KING RICHARDS ROW		$239,900
4907 TIMBER CT	FACT ID #1041	U/C
4300 NICKLAUS DR	FACT ID #1050	$185,000

4730 W. CUTHBERT	FACT ID #1030	$170,000
306 W. GODFREY		U/C
3310 W. STOREY AVE	FACT ID #1002	$165,600
3310 PARK LANE	FACT ID #1083	$164,900
1521 S. FORT WORTH	FACT ID #1006	$162,000
1406 W. CO. RD. 143		U/C
3215 RANCHLAND DR	FACT ID #1057	U/C
4207 ANETTA DR	FACT ID #1039	$125,000
1 & 2 BEDROOMS		
2704 ROOSEVELT AVE	FACT ID #1032	U/C
4700 HARVARD	FACT ID #1029	U/C
717 RUBY DR	FACT ID #1007	SOLD
COMMERCIAL		
6203 E. CO. RD		$300,000
501-511 TERRELL STREET		$150,000
ODESSA		
1612 ALAMOSA	FACT ID #1052	$165,000
#8 TEAK DR		$39,500



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Call Brandi Geron 432-238-2402

5305 Hilltop Dr.
Midland, TX
Spacious open floor plan with high ceilings, laminate flooring, skylights, ceiling fans and a rock fireplace in the living area. Well maintained with neutral colors and granite throughout. Very master suite w/dual sinks, nice walk in closet, separate tub and large shower w/bench... located on a cul-de-sac with a 3 car garage in the back along with a covered patio.
Call Bobby McCourt 432-967-0852

3200 S. County Rd. 1223
Midland, TX
Beautiful updated home on 1 acre with granite counter tops, updated bathrooms, and a large fireplace. Master bath has a claw foot tub, separate shower and a large walk-in closet. Commercial vinyl flooring that looks like wood. Lot room with separate fenced and mowing, a pergola. Oversized garage with workshop area and 1 half bath. Duplex, barns, RV covered parking, well house and more.
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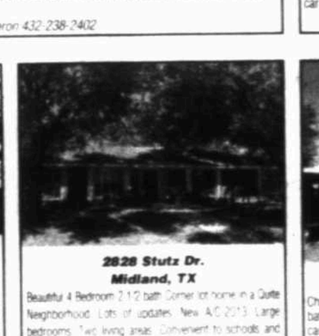

2825 Stutz Dr.
Midland, TX
Beautiful 4 Bedroom 2 1/2 bath corner lot home in a Settle Neighborhood. Lots of updates. New A/C 2013. Large bedrooms. Two living areas. Convenient to schools and shopping. Come See.
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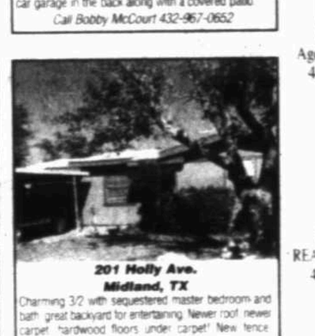
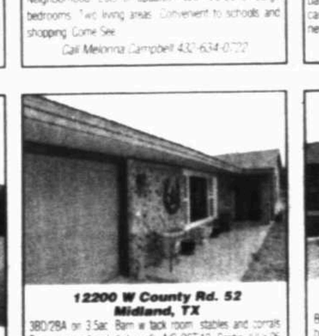


201 Holly Ave.
Midland, TX
Charming 3/2 with separate master bedroom and bath, great backyard for entertaining. Newer roof, newer carpet, hardwood floors under carpet. New fence, new driveway. Won't last long!
Call Courtney Glass 432-770-1612

314 E Pecan Ave.
Midland, TX
2 bedroom, 1 bath cute house on huge corner lot. It has some updates, one car garage and a big back yard.
Call Sonya Luna 432-934-8358



12200 W County Rd. 52
Midland, TX
3BD/2BA on 3 Ac. Barn is 30X 100ft. Cistern and Corrals. Basement not included in sf. AC-10-12, Septic-2013, Fencing, Recent Windows, recently installed new pump, paved driveway, mature trees. Water well is 2GPM and can handle Water. Bring your horses and enjoy country living at its finest!
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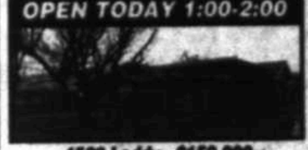

4528 Leddy - $159,900 Totally UPDATED! Like NEW!!! 3BR, 2BA, Bonus Room! Shown By Blanca 238-0177

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5104 N CR 1150 - $645,000 Incredible 3BR, 3BA, One Owner Home on 5 ACRES!!! Shown by Chris 349-7000

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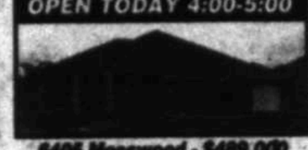

6405 Mosswood - $489,000 Sensational New Plan by Almand! 4BR, 3BA! Shown by Chris 349-7000

COUNTRY LIVING

4100 E CR 61 - $499,000 Stunning Custom 1 Owner Home! Fully LOADED! Contemporary Rustic Feel!

NEW PRICE

5204 Teakwood Trace - $339,900 Million $$$ Views Here on the Course in Green Tree!! 4BR, 3BA, 2-1/2 Baths! 3 Living!

NEW LISTING

1012 Alpine - $365,000 Fabulous 4BR Home! Nicely Updated! Pool & Guest House!!!

NEW LISTING

3616 Baumann - $225,000 Easy Low Maintenance Home! 3 or 4BR! Great Open Plan!!!

NEW PRICE

3215 Roosevelt - $115,000 3BR, 1BA, Updated Kitchen & Bath! Doll House Deluxe!!!

4+ BEDROOMS

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2005 Mosswood - 5 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath, 3 Living Areas, 4 Car Garage! Brand NEW McPherson Construction, Double 10' Iron Doors, Granite, Stainless, Plantation Shutters on 0.360 Lot! Still Time To Make Selections! Est Completion 3/15/2014 .... **Sale Pending! $590,000**
4100 E CR 61-4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 3 Living on 2.3 ACRES!!! This Gorgeous Custom 1 Owner Home has all the Bells & Whistles, it's LOADED! .... **Country Living! $499,000**
6405 Mosswood - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living, Sensational NEW Plan by Almand Construction! All The Bells & Whistles! Granite, Stainless, Faux Paint & Stone Accents! Total Landscape Package! .... ***OPEN TODAY!***...**New Construction! $489,000**
1012 Alpine-4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Open Concept! Nicely Updated! Guest House and Swimming Pool, 4 Car Garage, Shop on a HUGE Lot! The possibilities are Endless!!! .... **New Listing! $365,000**
4901 Thames Ct.-4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, 3 Living Areas! Gourmet Kitchen w/Granite! Porcelain Tile Throughout Entire Home! So Much More! .... **New Price! $359,000**
5001 Canterbury - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath Home with Many Recent Updates in Polo Park! Spacious over 2,600 sqft with Sequestered Master! Hard WOOD Flooring! .... **Sale Pending! $349,900**
5204 Teakwood Trace -4 Bedroom, 3 Full Baths, 2 Half Baths, 3 Living! Million $$ Golf Course View Here! Perfect Opportunity to Re-do Your Dream Home! .... **New Price! $339,900**
3113 Patrick - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath in Mayfield Place! Beautiful moldings, high ceilings, granite, stainless appliance package! Better Than New! .... **SOLD! $329,900**
2601 Dengar - 5 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Rare 2 Story in Fannin Terrace! Apprx 3,406 sq. ft. Lots of Updates & Upgrades, Giant Rooms! Inground Pool! .... **New Price! $319,900**
1216 S Co Rd. 1120 - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 5 Car Garage, 3,500+sq. ft.! In Coveted Greenwood on 1.94 ACRES, recent septic, water well, 18GPM. Storage All Over! .... **Offers Please! $279,900**
4012 Norwood - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Dining, Updated Kitchen with Granite!!! Wet Bar & Great Covered Patio for Entertaining! .... **New Price! $279,000**
3616 Baumann-3 or 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living Areas! Great Open Plan! Sequestered Master Bedroom, Plenty of Storage! .... **New Listing! $225,000**
3607 Godfrey - 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, 2 Living, 2,500+ sq. ft. Located in a cul-de-sac, within walking distance to Lee High! .... **New Price! $225,000**
4428 Jameson Rd., San Angelo - 4 Bedroom, 4.5 Bath, Vintage Midcentury Modern Ranch Style Home! Approx 4,400 sq. ft. Granite in Kitchen, Pool! .... **New Price! $224,900**
5001 S Co Rd. 1136 - 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath on 1 Acre in a Quiet Cul-de-sac! Open Plan, Sequestered Master. HOA Neighborhood. FHA Approved! .... **Sale Pending! $119,900**
2373 CR 2671, Stanton - 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Carports! 1993 Single wide on 2 ACRES!!! .... **New Listing! $79,900**

2 & 3 BEDROOMS

5104 N Co Rd. 1150 - 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath on 5 Acres! Tucked away on your own private retreat! Winding porch, granite, wood floors, heated tile floors in bathrooms! Sumptuous Master Bedroom w/2 complete master baths! Park like setting w/mature pecan trees! .... ***OPEN TODAY!***...**New Price! $645,000**
33 Lafayette-3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath in Barkman Square! 2 Story Townhome, Granite, Top of Line Appliances! Custom Metal Work! .... **Sale Pending! $354,900**
3221 Chelsea Pl - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath in Mayfield Place! Better Than NEW 2012 Resale! Granite, Stainless, Oil Bronze, Large Corner Lot! .... **Sale Pending! $297,500**
5009 Los Alamitos-3 or 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, 2 Living Areas. Location! Location! Saddle Club South! Beautiful Curb Appeal, New Outside A/C Unit, Huge Master. Lots of Storage! .... **New Listing! $290,000**
3202 Wadley - 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 3 Living, Great Wet Bar in Family Room for Entertaining! Low Maintenance Patio Home! .... **New Price! $285,000**
29 Lafayette-3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath in Barkman Square! Custom 2 Story Townhome with ALL the Bells & Whistles! .... **Sale Pending! $248,155**
5018 Joy - 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, GREAT FIND! House w/extra apartment/office -Great Condition! .... **Sale Pending! $219,900**
2600 Wydewood - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Super Cute Home in Wydewood Estates! Bush, Abell, Lee District. Close to Shopping! .... **New Price! $189,900**
4210 Amistad - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Picture Perfect Home in Northgate! Updated! Above ground pool, fish pond, pergola w/lights! Great for entertaining!!! .... **New Price! $184,900**
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313 S Glenwood-3 Bedroom, 1.5 Bath, Amazing, Clean Updated Home! New Cabinets, Countertops, Stainless Appliances, & So Much More! Workshop! .... **Sold! $132,500**
1500 S Weatherford - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, ALL UPDATED! Recent paint, carpet, lighting, roof windows, & more! .... **Back on the Market! $130,000**
4302 Tanner Dr. - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 1 Car Garage! CREAM PUFF Perfection! Recent paint & carpet. Super Clean! .... **Offers Please! $121,900**
1605 Butternut - 2 Bedroom, 1 Bath, 2 Living Areas, IMMACULATE Home! What a Find! Hardwood Floors, Tile, Roof 2 years old. Expect to be Impressed! .... **New Price! $119,000**
3215 Roosevelt - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, ADORABLE Cute Cottage! Central Heat/Air. Doll House Deluxe! .... **New Price! $115,000**
3618 Pershing, Odessa - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Darling Clean Doll House!!! Updated paint & carpet, ALL Appliances Pass w/Sale! .... **New Price! $92,500**

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3501 Billy Hext Rd., Odessa - Fabulous Pad Site in Eastridge Office Park! Anchor Location! Call Chris for more details! .... **New Price! $425,000**
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6112 Dunbarton Oaks - Build Your Dream Home in New Mockingbird Oaks Subdivision! 1.01 Acres! .... **Sale Pending! $155,000**
Scharbauer Dr. - Investor Opportunity! 4 Lots Sold in package. 1201-1207 Scharbauer Dr. Owner will not subdivide. Ready to Build! May require flood insurance .... **Lots! $65,000**
N. Knotty Pine, Gardenale - Wonderful Opportunity to Build Dream Home! Quiet County Setting on 2.41 ACRES! Call Norma .... **Sale Pending! $39,500**
Loop 464, Monahans - No Known Restrictions! Corner lot on 0.41 Acres. Call Carol for details! .... **Lot! $10,000**
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6107 Dunbarton Oaks - $975,000

Spectacular custom 5 bed/5 bath/5 car garage! Main house has 4 bed/3 bath, across portico there is 1 bed/1 bath/1 garage! Beautiful iron front doors, hardwood floors in formal dining, gourmet kitchen boasts stainless appliances, granite, 6 burer gas cook top & ice maker. Seq. Master suite w/jetted tub, sep shower (dual heads). Wall of windows overlook back porch w/ fireplace & outdoor kitchen. Mockingbird Oaks!

GREEN TREE PROPERTIES

4808 Rustic Trail - Gorgeous golf course living, move-in ready! Grand entry leads to 2 living areas w/amazing views & miles of imported tile! Private study, downstairs master suite,3 beds up 2 w/private baths & walk-in closets. Family room w/balcony + bonus rooms. Updated kitchen w/granite, island & breakfast bar! Pool sized yard w/3 patio areas perfect for entertaining! 4 Oversized garages + water well for grounds. .... ***SOLD***... **$649,950**
7004 Courtney Ct. - Located in coveted Green Tree North. Lovely 5 bed/3.5 Ba/3 car gar. Formal dining w/hardwood floors. Formal living w/wall of windows that overlook lush grounds. Spacious kitchen w/quartz countertops, island, 2 ovens & walk-in pantry. Open den w/brick fireplace, crown molding & built-ins. Seq. Master suite offers jetted tub, shower, 2 vanities & huge closet. Recent hvac, water softener, water heater, & disposal. Covered patio & trees! .... ***SOLD***...**$419,900**

4+ BEDROOMS

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3303 Trinity Meadows Dr. - REDUCED - Beautiful 5 bed/3.5 Bath/4 garage w/dazzling pool! Spacious formal living & dining w/wall of windows that over look pool & yard. Large kitchen w/granite countertops opens to den, brick fireplace. Sequestered master suite w/granite, updated fixtures, jetted tub & shower. (New tile for floor, tub & shower in master on the way!) Large backyard w/covered patio, water well, storage bldg, pool + yard .... ***U/C***... **$424,000**
7515 Gravensteen Ave. Odessa TX - gorgeous 5 bedroom/4 bath/3 garage ! Pride of ownership shows. Grand entry w/barrel ceiling & custom tile. Gourmet kitchen w/granite, custom cabinets w/display shelves, gas cook top & stainless appliances, large living w/crown molding, fire place & built-ins. Miles of tile! Seq. Master suite w/tray ceiling, jetted tub, shower w/dual heads, 2 vanities & 3 closets! Covered patio, auto sprinkler! .... ***U/C***... **$429,900**
4109 Baybrook Dr. - NEW - Lovely 4 bed+office/3.5 Ba/2 la/3 car garage in mockingbird! Updated kitchen w/granite & backsplash, opens to the den. Pretty 18x18 tile throughout! Formal living & dining, hardwood floors, plantation shutters, lots of storage! Gorgeous grounds w/outdoor kitchen, flagstone patio,fireplace, pond, speakers & lights in trees! Extra concrete in the back! **$399,900**
5306 Greathouse-NEW-Gorgeous troy hunt resale. 4Bed/3bath/3car garage. Beautiful kitchen with granite ceuntertops, lot's of storage, great pantry, stainless appliances, and island. Kitchen looks over breakfast bar that flows into fantastic den with hardwood floor and brick fireplace. Playset in backyard stays. Chandelier in pink ceiling bedroom can stay or be switched out with fan/light that matches other fixtures. All recent carpet in bedrooms! .... ***U/C***... **$389,900**
4403 Westminister-NEW-Beautiful 4bed/3bath/2garage. Granite countertops in kitchen, great built ins, nice large bar opens up into the breakfast area. Hardwood flooring in the formal living, carpet in bedrooms and gameroom, and tile everywhere else. Great storage throughout as well as spacious closets. Sparkling pool and still has yard. Don't miss the extra side yard! .... ***U/C***... **$310,000**
2302 Culpeper - Beautiful 4 bed/3 bath/3 living areas! Scraped hardwoods in entry, living, breakfast & dining. Large gameroom overlooks back yard. Lovely den w/fireplace & built-ins. Spacious kitchen w/granite tile, recent backsplash & fixtures. Seq. Master with his/her closets & vanities. Study/office off large laundry room. Mature tees in front & spacious back yard **$289,900**
5703 Saratoga- -NEW-Wonderful 4bed, 2 1/2bath, 3car garage, & 2 living areas in green hill terrace! Tons of space for the price!! Recent roof & upstairs bath recently remodeled. Gorgeous stone corner fireplace in living opens up to kitchen & dining. Nice sunroom & spacious back yard! Tons of storage! Upstairs bedroom can be a perfect gameroom. Terrific location!! .... ***U/C***... **$225,000**

2 & 3 BEDROOMS

2907 Golf Course Rd. - NEW - This lovely 3 bed/2.5 Bath/2 car gar. Patio home is a must see! W/its many updates this home features walls of windows overlooking courtyard,recent carpet and wood floors, & a wonderful kitchen w/granite throughout & stainless steel appl. That pass w/sale. The master bed. Is a couple's haven with granite, his & her closets, separate shower, & vanity area. Each bedroom includes a spacious closet! .... ***SOLD***...**$289,900**
3533 Boyd-NEW-Upscale townhome in Lone Oak. All 3 bedrooms have private baths and even a half bath for guests! Amazing soaring ceiling in den with massive fireplace with gas logs for a warm and cozy atmosphere. 2 bedrooms downstairs with private baths and 1 bedroom upstairs with private bath and beautiful loft overlooking den. Tankless water heater with instant and endless water. Impeccably maintained! **$279,900**
10903 E. County Rd 109 - Beautiful four bedroom/2 bath home on .46 Acre lot! Big kitchen w/granite, island stainless appliances, ro & pantry. Spacious living w/ fireplace opens to kitchen. Sequestered master w tray ceilings separate tub & shower & large closet. Big yard w/covered patio & auto sprinkler .... ***U/C***... **$240,000**
2604 Faulkner - NEW - Adorable low maintenance 3 bed, 2 1/2 bath, 2 garage built in 2005! Nice open floor plan! Wood floors & gas fireplace in living area! Seq. Master offers dual vanities, large soaking tub & walk-in closet! Wood deck in backyard makes perfect for entertaining! .... ***U/C***... **$229,900**
3517 W. Wadley - NEW - Cute 3/2/2 home in a great neighborhood! Close to shopping and walking distance from schools! Recent roof, tile & granite look countertops in the kitchen! Backyard includes a nice sized workshop, covered patio, a big wooden deck with a hot tub & bar! Perfect for entertaining! .... ***U/C***... **$149,900**
307 W. 5th Stanton TX - NEW - Nice renovated 3 bedroom/2 bath/1 living stucco cottage on 3 lots across from city park!! Lots of recent updates: walls & ceiling raised, kitchen cabinets, counter tops & appliances, hvac, roof, windows, water heater, bathrooms & fixtures & flooring. 10' x 10' shop; 3 lots + water well! .... ***U/C***... **$139,900**

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6500 W County Road 41 - NEW - Wonderful 3.53 Acres lot in one of Midland's prettiest Subdivisions w/acreage! Perfect location to build your dream home & watch West Texas sunsets! Water well installed well produces approx. 22-28 GPM **$140,000**

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4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 3 living areas, study, 4 car garage, priced @ $998,500

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Carrasco Homes

6500 Saddle Horn Lane
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $798,500

RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS/HOME SITES/ACREAGE

RESIDENTIAL

4709 Wilshire Dr	4 Bdrm/2 Ba	$129,900
306 E. Dormard Ave	3 Bdrm/2 Ba	$150,000
5306 San Antonio	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$169,900
1307 E. Jax St	6 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/2 Living Areas	U/C
5004 Widener Strip	5 Bdrm/4 Ba/4 Car Garage	$524,900
500 Affirmed Lane	Rama Homes/4 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/2 Living/3 Car Garage	$775,900

NEW CONSTRUCTION

308 S. Tilden	Madagui Construction/3 Bdrm/2 Ba	SOLD
923 N. Edwards	Gomez Construction/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
5900 Dunbarton Oaks	Houston Chalmers Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
2501 Legacy Oaks	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
6005 Medina Dr	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	SOLD
3205 Fairfield Lane	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5801 Rio Grande	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	$345,000
2611 S. Co. Rd. 1087	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$399,900
3209 Fairfield Lane	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
2506 Regency Oaks	Houston Chalmers Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$535,000
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6401 Los Conchos Lane	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/4 Car Garage	$998,500
5219 Alysheba	Rama Homes/4 Bdrm/5.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$1,093,900
5108 Alysheba	Diamond Homes/5 Bdrm/4 Ba/4 Car Garage	U/C
6412 Los Conchos Lane	Diamond Homes/5 Bdrm/4 Ba/4 Car Garage	$1,150,000

SUBURBAN/ACREAGE

Luna Rosa Estates	Gardendale/New Homes	Call Gary
Co. Rd. A 3601	35.52 Acres/Lenorah, Tx	$71,000
2201 W. Co. Rd. 137	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$240,000
8411 E. Co. Rd. 90	Greenwood/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
13105 E. Co. Rd. 120	Greenwood/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home/22.48 Acres	$245,900
5808 E. Co. Rd. 57	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Carport	$260,000
1205 Co. Rd. 23	Lamesa/3 Bdrm/4 Ba/2 Car Garage	$285,000
FM 1213	Approx 30 Acres	$600,000

SUBURBAN HOME SITES

E. Co. Rd. 57	Greenwood/Approx. 2.54 Acres	$43,200
FM 1212	Tarzan/Approx. 66.6 Acres	U/C
9815 S. County Rd. 1218	10 Acres/Price Reduced!	$120,000
Hwy 137	Lenorah/3 shops/1.8 acres	$125,000
Luna Rosa Estates	W. Co. Rd. 30/1.5-2 Acre Lots	Call Gary
Co. Rd. 1105	Greenwood/3.67 Acres	U/C

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

3008 Elkins Rd	3.25 Acres/Office/Warehouse	$1,700,000

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5333 BELLA PLACE $550,000
EXQUISITE CUSTOM HOME
WITH CASITA & A MODERN FLAIR!
Low maintenance living with courtyard! Main house offers big living spaces! Formal dining! Gourmet kitchen with granite, bar, high-end appliances & opens to breakfast nook & living rm with fireplace! Soaring ceilings! Spacious master with private bath! Study! Upstairs offers gameroom, media room, guest bedroom, 2 baths! Guest house has living, kitchenette, bedroom, bath! 2 Car garage! Corner!

3310 BLUEBIRD LANE $1,200,000
INCREDIBLE PROPERTY WITH TONS TO OFFER!
Updated 4/3.5 Home with huge rooms! Living with fireplace & wet bar! Sunroom! Amazing master bedroom, bathroom & closet! Sequestered guest suite w/built-ins & private bath! Beautiful pool & commercial size playground! High end equestrian barn is amazing! Workshop/office/guest house w/patio! 4 Car garage! On 5.490 Acre lot with fences, circle drive & separate yards! Inside city limits! Wow!

804 CANONERO $550,000
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Wonderfully updated & maintained town-home type property w/recently added yard! Supersized gourmet kitchen is loaded w/granite coutnertops, lots of cabinetry & spacious enough for great entertaining! Den offers soaring ceilings & fantastic fireplace! Master has gorgeously updated bath! 2Nd master suite upstairs! Formal dining! Sunroom plus office space! Quiet street! 2 Car garage!

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Grassland 3br/3 bath/study/3 car garage. Immaculate!
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5209 LAVACA - $219,900
Super cute 3BR/2BA, 2 dining.
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2403 STUTZ PLACE - $325,000
Wonderful 3 bed, 2.5 bath over 3100 sq. ft. on cul-de-sac. Seq. master & great workshop. Must see!
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OPEN 2:30-3:30
722 W. KANSAS AVE. - $209,000
Fabulous English cottage style 3 bed, 2 bath w/hardwood flooring & updates throughout. Don't miss!
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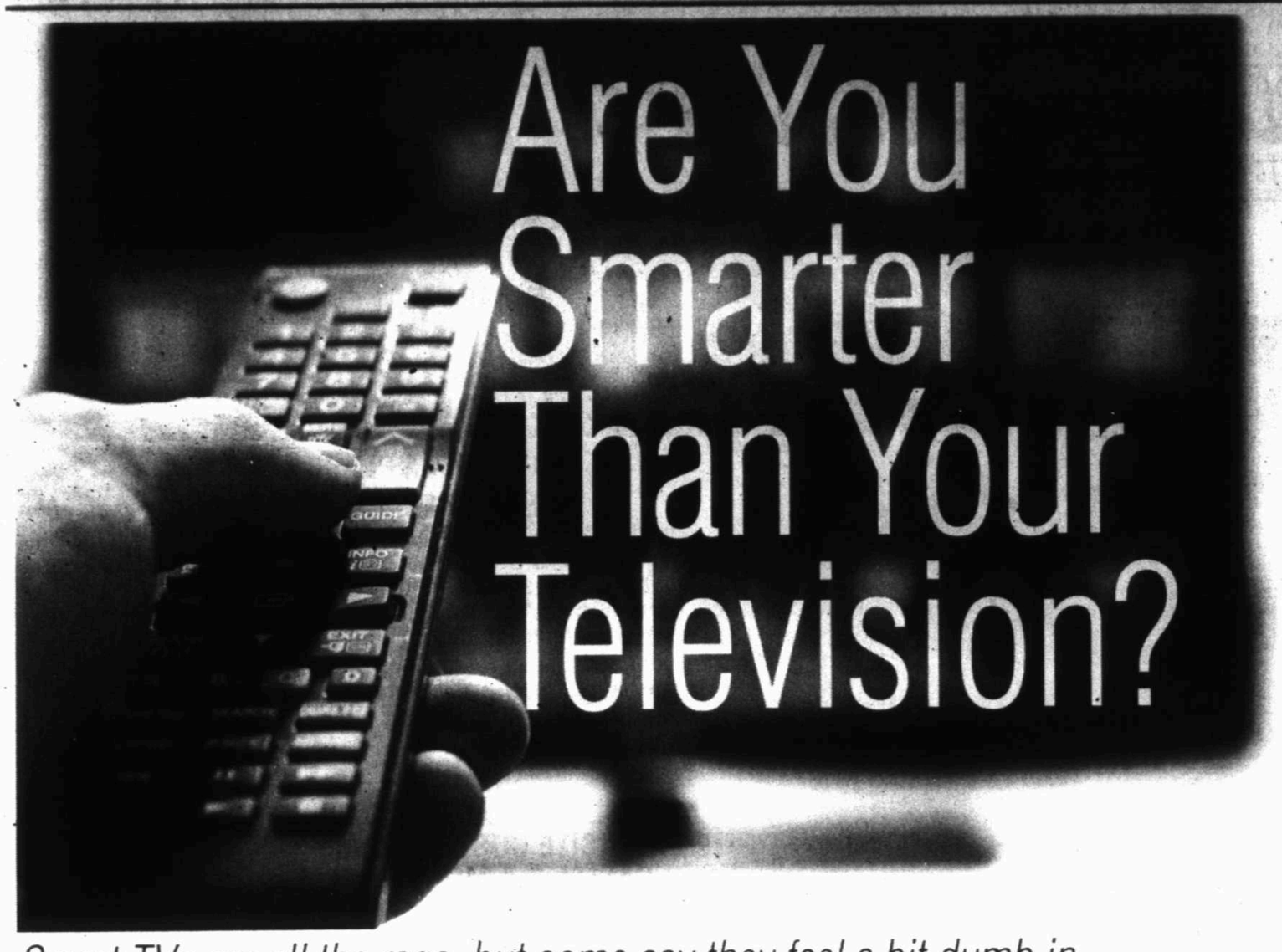

Are You Smarter Than Your Television?

Smart TVs are all the rage, but some say they feel a bit dumb in comparison. These tips help get the most out of your biggest new gadget

By ERIN CHAN DING | CTW Features

Television watching for Tamara Watson and her husband, Brendan, once involved a debate: Who would hook up the cords from the laptop to the TV? And who would plug them in again when their black Labrador knocked them loose with his tail?

After Christmas, the debate about cords ended. Tamara bought Google's Chromecast for her husband, turning their television into a "smart TV," one that can now stream movies and shows from Netflix wirelessly.

"You don't have this clunky antenna or box or anything like that," says Tamara, 31, of Minneapolis. "It's this kind of glorified thumb drive device ... Now we never have this conversation anymore about who's going to set us up. And the dog can wag his tail all he wants."

Nic Tat, 32, of Chicago, bought his 55-inch Samsung smart TV because he and his wife "wanted a state-of-the-art, visually appealing TV with Internet and Wi-Fi connectivity," without the hassle of a separate box or other component.

At the 2014 International Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas, considered a technology industry barometer, innovations in smart TVs dominated the buzz.

"It's really a turning-point year for smart TVs," says John Taylor, vice president for public affairs at LG Electronics USA, who was at the show. "LG and others are trying to make smart TVs simpler to use and more intuitive."

The evolution of smart TV has injected energy into television makers.

"People watch on their handheld devices, on computers, but there's nothing like watching on a big screen," Taylor says. "You really want to have a viewing experience on the largest screen in your home. The concept of a TV that hooks up to the Internet without the need for a setup box ... is really what smart TV is about."

If you've crossed over into the realm of smart TVs or devices like Chromecast, here's how to make your experience even more entertaining.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

One of the most valuable things about smart TVs is their instant connection to the Internet. Most smart TVs will come with a menu of subscription options on the home screen. Netflix, Hulu Plus, Vudu, Amazon Instant Video and CinemaNow are some options to stream television shows and movies. The services charge separate fees for subscriptions or rentals. Tat adds that he also uses HBO Go to view shows from the network.

Chromecast users can log in to their subscription accounts from their laptops, smart phones and tablets and stream movies wirelessly on their TVs.

ACCESSORIES

While the new approach to smart TVs has been to minimize add-ons and simplify viewing, some accessories can make your television more multifunctional. A Skype TV camera will allow you to talk to loved ones or hold a work conference, and a wireless Bluetooth keyboard could assist with e-mails and on-screen navigation.

An often-overlooked accessory for smart TVs is a good, reliable wireless router. Streaming over Wi-Fi connectivity takes a lot of bandwidth, so you may need to upgrade your router for the best performance, Taylor says, adding that "you don't want your picture to break up during the middle of that important game."

PRIVACY

Keeping user information private on smart TVs became an issue last year after LG admitted its smart TVs tracked what people were watching even after they had activated "opt-out" preferences. The company says the issue has since been corrected.

"Privacy is a prime concern of our company, and our industry, and people need to purchase and use these products with confidence," Taylor says. "The issue that came up with products from LG was unfortunate ... It certainly was a wake-up call to make sure consumers and the whole industry focuses on the issue."

Those who choose to be tracked, however, could receive such extras as movie suggestions or an additional screen containing more information on what they're watching.

"It depends," Taylor says, "how deeply you want to go into the smart TV experience."

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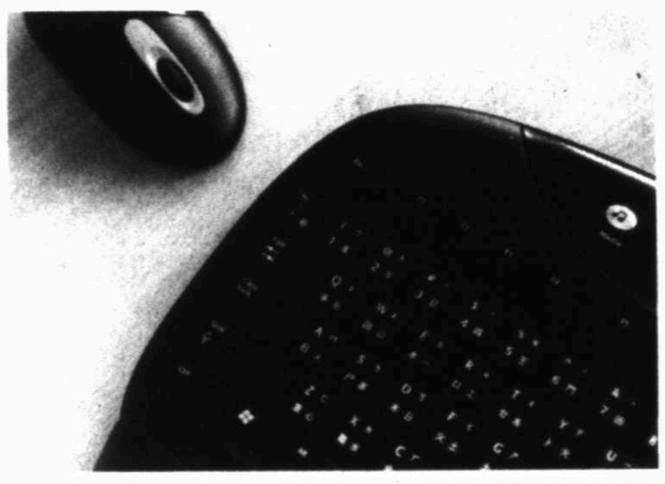
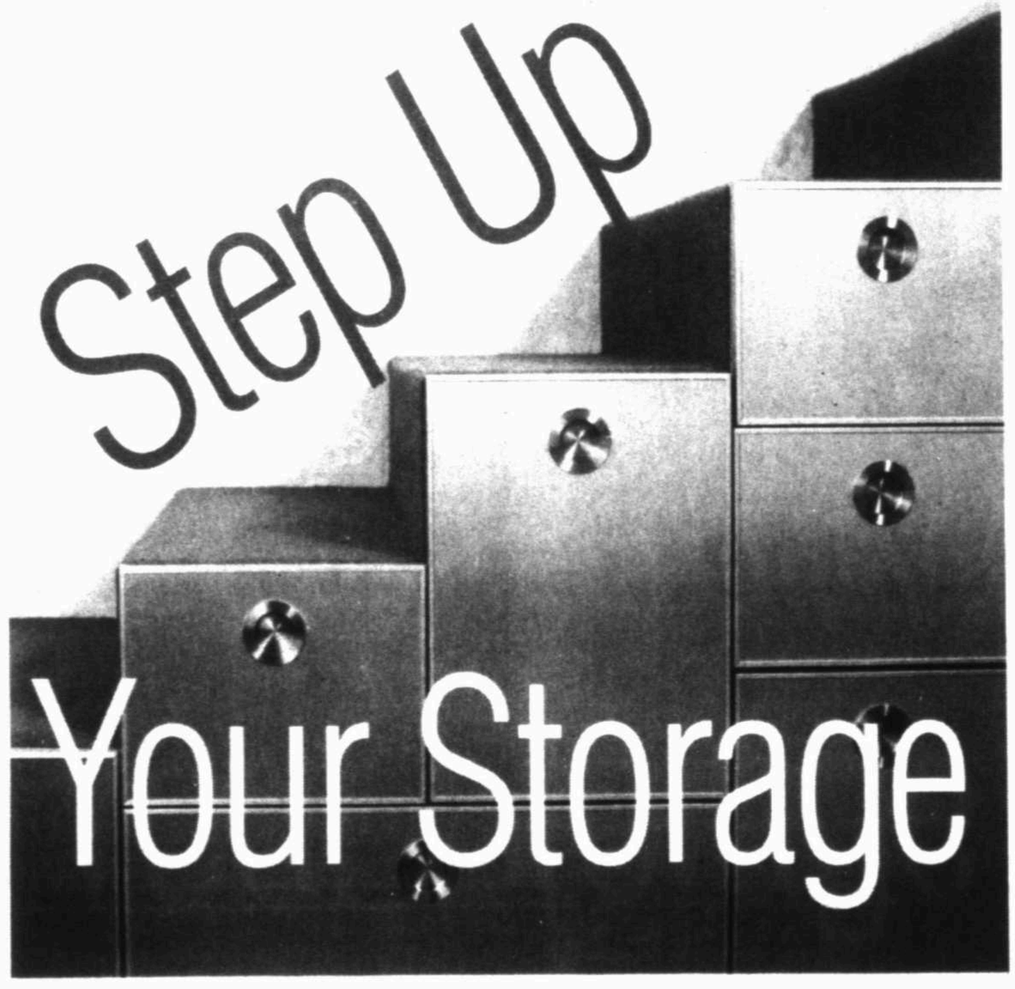


A wireless keyboard or mouse could be the right accessory to make it easier to navigate your smart TV.



Step Up Your Storage

Unusual spaces for smart, efficient storage

By ELIZABETH BREWSTER | CTW Features

It's a rare homeowner whose possessions never outgrow their designated storage spaces.

But closets aren't the only option for stowing both everyday items and seasonal goods like holiday decorations, the experts say. Here are some tips for getting the most into a home's nooks and crannies.

DOORS: "The [back side] of a door is a fabulous hidden storage gold mine," says Julie Morgenstern, author of numerous organization books and National Association of Professional Organizers award winner. "You can hang narrow shelves inside a pantry door for canned goods, or hang hooks on a closet door for belts, bags, scarves, jewelry."

In the kitchen, add shelves to the insides of cabinet doors to organize seasonings or plastic container lids.

STAIRS: Most homes have usable space under the stairs. The trick is organizing this space so items are easily accessible.

"Instead of building shelves, find something that wheels in and out of the space like a rolling cart," says Kate S. Brown, owner of Impact Organizing, Sarasota, Fla. "You can load it up and push it in, and then pull it out to use the items."

Or, fill under-stairs space with multiple large or bulky items, such as sleeping bags or folding chairs, says Morgenstern, who is based in New York.

"If you put a lot of different little things in there, they're going to get lost," she says.

WALLS: Line wall space next to the basement stairs with shallow shelves for cleaning supplies, or hooks for brooms and mops. In a tight bathroom or front hallway space, Brown suggests stealing space from inside the walls. "You can knock out a piece of wallboard between the studs and make a shallow little shelf for small items," Brown says.

To stash extra paperbacks or CDs, surround a door or window frame with narrow readymade bookshelves.

SHELVING "DEAD SPACE": Look for extra room in cabinets and closets where items don't need all the height created by standard shelves. Wire, plastic or metal shelf organizers can help stretch the space.

CONTAINER CAUTION: The colorful arrays of storage containers in stores make it tempting to stock up. Resist that temptation until after you've sorted and organized, experts say.

"Shopping for containers is the last thing you do, not the first," Morgenstern says. "Then you'll know exactly what you're looking for, what you'll put inside, how many you need and what sizes you'll need."

She also recommends sticking to neutral colors for storage that will be visible in the home.

"If you have colorful storage filled with colorful objects," Morgenstern says, "it can be visually over-stimulating."

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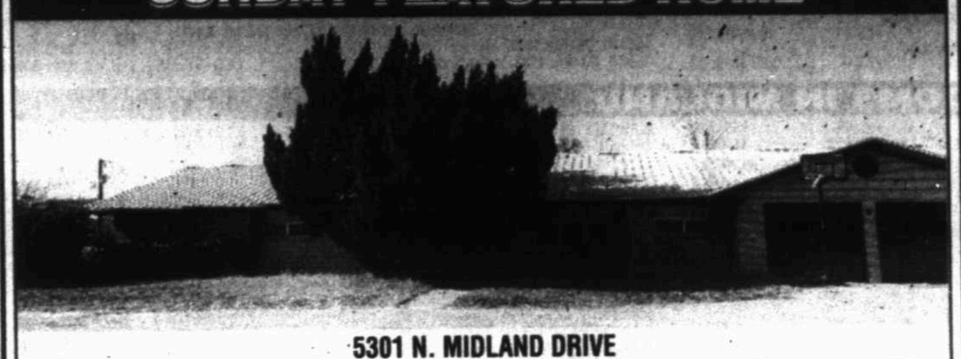

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408 E. Pecan	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS #97125	$165,000
3104 SCR 1223	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS #97099	$155,000
4711 Yearwood Dr.	SOLD	MLS #96942	$344,900
6600 FM 715		MLS #96956	$499,900
4207 S. Co. Rd. 1135-Commercial		MLS #96679	$250,000
FM 715-22 Acres		MLS #96888	$484,000
405 ECR 127		MLS #96749	$395,900
10310 S. Co. Rd. 1210-Commercial		MLS #96680	$695,000
4702 Island Dr.	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS #96768	$729,900
3905 E. Golf Course Rd.-New Construction	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS #96420	$335,000
2109 Evans Ln.-New Construction	SOLD	MLS #96103	$413,250
5508 SCR 1200-5.7 Acres		MLS #96080	$399,999
6109 SCR 1178-11.55 Acres +/-	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS #95812	$241,900
2104 Evans-New Construction	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS #95808	$359,900
6402 FM 307	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS #95995	$420,000
Sundridge Ranch Estate			3+ acre lots $135,000
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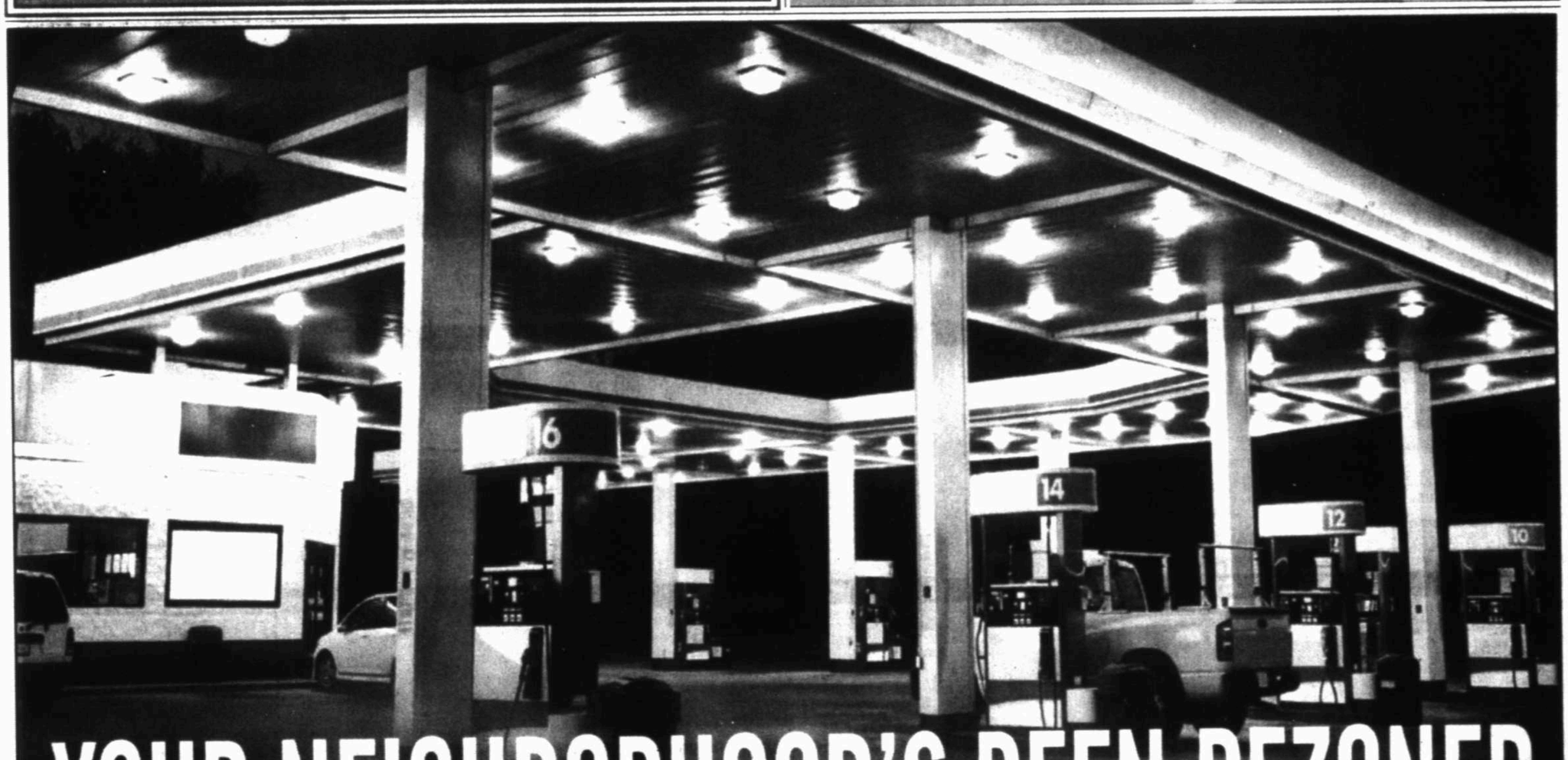

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Property	Agent	MLS	Price
501 W. SCHARBAUER DR. #5	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97054	$90,000
5300 ALYSHEBA	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96683	$1,590,000
AMADON URQUIDI			
1121 E. COWDEN AVE	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #96953	3BD/$185,000
EE HOMES, INC.			
10204 CO. RD. 104	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #94774	4BD/$391,000
10201 E. CO. RD. 104	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #95200	4BD/$388,360
10200 E. CO. RD. 104	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #95074	SALE PENDING
10205 CO. RD. 104	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #94388	4BD/$357,900
1110 HICKORY "A"	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #97345	$178,200
JC CHAVEZ CONSTRUCTION			
1202 S. COLORADO	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #96045	3BD/$164,900
402 N. DALLAS ST	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #95599	SALE PENDING
504 ESTES AVE	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #93952	SALE PENDING
RUEDAS HOMES, INC.			
2014 EVANS LANE	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #95615	4BD/$408,360
406 GEORGE ST	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #95618	SALE PENDING
PERMIAN BASIN COVENANT HOMES			
2519 S. CO. RD. 1089	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #94461	SALE PENDING
10204 E. CO. RD. 106	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #95222	SALE PENDING
2511 S. CO. RD. 1087	Clemmie Sorge 618-5019	MLS #95708	SALE PENDING
2501 S. CO. RD. 1089	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #95707	SALE PENDING
2601 S. CO. RD. 1089	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #94463	4BD/$323,900
FRANKLIN FARROW			
10209 E. CO. RD. 105	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #96912	4BD/1 Acre/$380,000
1401 S. CO. RD. 1120	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #96681	$350,000
TRES M PROPERTIES, INC.			
5309 CASTLE PINE RD	Pam Dodd 413-0780	MLS95988	$429,500
1409 E. PECAN AVE	Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #95404	SALE PENDING
1407 E. PECAN AVE	Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #95348	SALE PENDING
MASTER BUILDERS CONSTRUCTION			
412 AFFIRMED LANE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS 95609	SALE PENDING
KEA HOMES			
2104 EVANS LANE	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #95808	4BD/$359,900
CARROUSEL CONSTRUCTION			
2109 EVANS LANE	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96103	4BD/$413,250
WESCON SERVICES, LLC			
5313 ELLEN JAYNE WAY	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #2360	3 BD/$379,000
TRIPLE M CUSTOM HOMES			
11618 W. CO. RD. 54	Elisia Flatt 557-7159	MLS #96478	SALE PENDING
CASE HOMES			
2601 S. COUNTY ROAD 1087	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #96716	$323,400
MICHAEL FRIDAY HOMES			
5313 ELLEN JAYNE WAY		MLS #96147	$379,000
CTC HOMES & CONSTRUCTION			
5606 DUNBARTON OAKS	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #96818	$399,500
TRI CENTURY MANAGEMENT			
6205 ELLEN JAYNE WAY	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #96838	$335,000
MICHAEL DAVIS HOMES			
3105 S. CO. RD. 1067	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #97023	$319,000
RENE LEYVA			
1212 E. OAK	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #97159	$153,000
TONY E. HAM CONSTRUCTION, LLC			
1600 W. CO. RD. 1085	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #97272	$313,900
1508 S. CO. RD. 1085	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #97300	$311,900

FOUR OR MORE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
4520 CORSAIR CT	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #95233	$1,400,000
3310 BLUEBIRD	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97312	$1,200,000
4916 TATTENHAM CORNER	Brian Sales 618-1818	MLS #95431	$997,500
412 CHARISMATIC DR	Stephanie Rogers 978-9757	MLS #93068	SALE PENDING
6020 HOMESTEAD BLVD	Peggy Spence 664-3011	MLS #96570	$850,000
1110 SILVERTON	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96624	$786,500
7009 COURTNEY CT	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96477	$750,000
8301 GLASGOW	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96896	$750,000
1703 COUNTRY CLUB	Lavonne Johnson 770-3883	MLS #96164	$749,000
4708 TATTENHAM CORNER	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95845	$730,000
4702 ISLAND	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96768	$729,900
4915 TATTENHAM CORNER	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #95834	$689,900
6827 ISLAND CIRCLE	Danny Norwood 618-5012		$665,000
5005 WIDENERSTRIP	Betty Hicks 553-8194	MLS #96899	0.98 Acres/$659,900
5312 BELLA PL	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96858	$650,000
4209 OAKWOOD COURT	Janice Murrell 349-7242	MLS #96106	$625,000
1501 W. SCHARBAUER DR	Laura Lyons Sales 618-1818	MLS #97180	$599,900
5109 TEAKWOOD TR	Kim Merrill 664-4702	MLS #96512	$575,000
4843 RUSTIC TRAIL	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #96558	SALE PENDING
2000 NEELY AVE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96859	$525,000
1705 CUTHBERT	Lavonne Johnson 770-3883	MLS #96293	$525,000
4834 RUSTIC TRAIL	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #96543	$490,000
4001 EDGEBROOK	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97256	$475,000
1000 N. HWY. 137	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95267	$475,000
4300 TUMBLEWEED TRAIL	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #95481	SALE PENDING
5309 CASTLE PINE	Pam Dodd 413-0780	MLS #95988	SALE PENDING
4800 TEAKWOOD	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #96246	$450,000
5109 TEAKWOOD TRACE	Kim Merrill 664-4702	MLS #96115	$450,000
5704 RIDGEMONT	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #96429	SALE PENDING
5010 APPLE CREEK	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97103	SOLD
6402 FM 307	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #95995	$420,000
4628 HILLTOP DR	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #94982	SALE PENDING
2501 CULPEPER DRIVE	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #95724	SALE PENDING
5601 HATHAWAY	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96895	$415,000
1207 W. KANSAS	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #96239	$415,000
5608 HEARTLAND	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96483	SOLD
5606 DUNBARTON OAKS	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #96818	SALE PENDING
4906 HILLSBORO CT	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96501	$375,000
3506 MEADOWRIDGE LN	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95921	SOLD
3100 SEABOARD	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #96256	SALE PENDING
4711 YEARWOOD DR	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96942	$344,900
3109 PATRICK PLACE	Brian Sales 618-1818	MLS #96748	SOLD
4509 WOODHOLLOW DR	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #93875	SALE PENDING
4107 BOULDER	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #95225	SALE PENDING
3306 MARBLE LN	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95272	SALE PENDING
2803 DOUGLAS	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #95865	SALE PENDING
402 DENGAR AVE	Darla Davis 260-8077	MLS #95439	$320,000
5007 DIAMOND DRIVE	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #97058	$319,900
3201 WEDGEWOOD ST	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #95860	$304,900
2608 KESWICK COVE	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #96010	SALE PENDING
3005 MEADOWBROOK	Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #96094	$299,900
3002 MEADOWBROOK DR.	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95990	SALE PENDING
4008 CRESTGATE	Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #95137	$294,900
3414 ROSEMONT	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #95940	$290,000
5117 KING RICHARDS ROW	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #96947	SALE PENDING
4610 ST. ANDREWS	Stephanie Rogers 978-9757	MLS #96311	$283,000
5701 CROWLEY BLVD	Larry Hatfield 349-4790	MLS #97051	SALE PENDING
4217 GREENBRIAR AVE	Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #96416	$275,000
4313 BOULDER DR	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #97047	SALE PENDING
2800 CIMMARON	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #96802	$259,900
2818 FANNIN	Lavonne Johnson 770-3883	MLS #96308	$250,000
1208 STANOLIND AVE	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #96226	$235,900
2508 EMERSON	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #96516	$234,500
6004 YORKSHIRE	Ruth Young 352-0996	MLS #95129	SALE PENDING
2104 WHITNEY DR	Leah Watkins 599-2187	MLS #94725	SALE PENDING
9500 BAUMANN AVE	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #95537	$229,900
3200 MARK LANE	Melissa Williams 349-2812	MLS #96247	$210,000
1107 PORTERFIELD RD	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97172	SALE PENDING
1106 PORTERFIELD RD	Cheryl Parrish 352-3053	MLS #96799	SOLD
3629 HYDE PARK	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #96074	SOLD
2800 CIMMARON	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #96802	$175,000
4418 FAIRGATE	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #95633	$172,500
3901 ROOSEVELT AVE	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #96713	$165,000
2401 NORTHTOWN COURT	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #94902	SALE PENDING
3416 TANNER	Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #96179	$139,900
2811 W. CO. RD. 116	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #93898	$129,900
1414 E. PARKER	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #96973	$94,900

THREE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
3302 BLUEBIRD LANE	Lavonne Johnson 770-3883	MLS #94206	5.13 Acres/$550,000
5333 BELLA PL	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96861	$550,000
804 CANONERO	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97261	$545,000
6516 GLADIOLA	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95989	$500,000
3905 CARDINAL LANE	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97280	3 Acres/$499,999
1800 N. I ST	Larry Hatfield 349-4788	MLS #97320	$499,900
4220 BAYBROOK PL	Kim Merrill 664-4702	MLS #96892	$499,900
4491 HACKBERRY CT	Stephanie Rogers 978-9757	MLS #96850	$479,900
6017 CLAREWOOD DR	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #96459	$425,000
4910 KINGSBORO CT	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96081	SALE PENDING
10300 E. CO. RD. 105	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #95313	3BD/$369,900
5305 QUICKSAND COVE	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #95742	SALE PENDING
2708 SAVOY	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #95610	$350,000
2407 GOLF COURSE ROAD	Kay Bivens 934-5995	MLS #96863	SALE PENDING
5315 BELLA PLACE	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #96775	$349,900
206 E. CO. RD. 127	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #95768	7.97 Acres/$339,900
4902 HILLSBORO CT	Lavonne Johnson 770-3883	MLS #97286	$338,000
5205 ELLEN JAYNE WAY	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #96838	$335,000
3306 HAYNES AVE	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96294	SALE PENDING
4805 CRISTA LN	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #95352	$329,900
2403 STUTZ PLACE	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #96309	$325,000
2501 WCR 130	Jennifer Martin 349-2632	MLS #96114	$325,000
4821 ROSEWOOD	Peggy Spence 664-3011	MLS #96466	SALE PENDING
3508 WOODHAVEN	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95192	SALE PENDING
2204 STANOLIND AVE	Martha Manulik 557-8744	MLS #95203	SOLD
3206 HAYNES	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96117	$299,000
3005 MOSS AVE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97096	$295,000
1604 WINFIELD	Karen Mason 349-3550	MLS #96119	$295,000
2802 S. CO. RD. 1066	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95924	$289,000
2600 FRONTIER	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #97318	$279,900
3903 WESTMINISTER	Brian Sales 618-1818	MLS #96250	$275,000
1410 W. TEXAS AVE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97044	$275,000
3107 BAYBRIDGE CT	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96508	$275,000
4505 STILLMEADOW	Lydia Scudder 853-2200	MLS #93509	$274,900
9701 W. CO. RD. 154	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #96160	7 Acres/$260,000
4010 ANGELINA DR	Darla Davis 260-8077	MLS #96890	$249,995
1300 W. LOUISIANA AVE	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #97043	$249,900
5010 BRUNSWICK	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #97257	SALE PENDING
5208 LAVACA	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #96280	$239,900
4201 SKYLINE	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #96167	$239,900
1913 PUEBLO ST	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #95259	SALE PENDING
1800 RANGER ROAD	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #95544	SALE PENDING
2818 MOSS	Karen Foster 559-4806	MLS #96251	$239,500
4512 SPENCE	Sue Lytle 661-5338	MLS #97173	$239,000
1402-1404 E. WADLEY	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #96139	SOLD
4404 TREVINO	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #96717	$239,000
2404 FAIRVIEW LANE	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #96783	$237,500
2607 CESSNA	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #97355	$234,900
3808 STANOLIND	Reece Bivens 230-8647	MLS #96862	$229,900
5118 ASHDOWN PLACE	Kim Merrill 664-4702	MLS #94819	$225,000
4307 MERRILL CT	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #96453	SALE PENDING
4603 BISHOPS CASTLE	Barbara McWilliams 230-2034	MLS #97010	$220,000
1501 VENTURA AVE	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #95597	SALE PENDING
4501 ST. ANDREWS DR	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #95680	$220,000
4419 LANHAM ST	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #95102	$219,900
3325 PROVIDENCE DR	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #97126	$219,900
2824 DENGAR	Danny Norwood 618-5012		$214,900
3209 SHANDON	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #96414	$210,000
3709 NEELY	Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #95885	$209,900
722 W. KANSAS AVE	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #97046	$209,000
3326 CAMARIE AVE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96627	$198,000
3318 NEELY	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #97341	$195,000
5110 ANETTA	Melissa Williams 349-2812	MLS#95882	SALE PENDING
2817 MARMON DR	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #95168	SALE PENDING
4307 FERNCLIFF	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #95558	SALE PENDING
6204 CHICKASAW	Mona Lopez 967-8602	MLS #94466	SALE PENDING
3507 CRESTMONT DR	Lydia Scudder 853-2200	MLS #95289	SALE PENDING
1002 ALPINE ST	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #95210	SALE PENDING
3603 W. WADLEY AVE	Kay Bivens 934-5995	MLS #94288	SALE PENDING
4823 W. STOREY	Angie McKay 559-0272	MLS #95939	$189,900
3802 PERMIAN CT	Sue Lytle 661-5338	MLS #95664	$185,000
4718 COUNTRY CLUB DR	Lydia Scudder 853-2200	MLS #96314	$180,000
3705 W. MICHIGAN AVE	Larry Hatfield 349-4788	MLS #97210	SALE PENDING
1110 HICKORY "A"	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #97345	$178,200
2500 CIMMARON AVE	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #97317	$173,900
2100 ABBEY PLACE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96661	SOLD
3802 PERMIAN CT	Sue Lytle 661-5338	MLS #96623	SOLD
4326 GREENBRIAR	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #96555	$172,000
5001 CANADIAN	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96305	SALE PENDING
1328 E. PINE	Darla Davis 260-8077	MLS #96302	$169,900
1704 W. ILLINOIS AVE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97395	$169,000
3213 S. CO. RD. 1069	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96612	$168,000
3105 WEST KANSAS	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #96766	$168,000
3604 STOREY AVE	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #95810	$167,900
2608 N. MIDKIFF	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #97024	$157,900
1212 E. OAK	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #97159	$153,000
2314 HAYNES	Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS #96851	SALE PENDING
4016 MONTY DR	Melissa Williams 349-2812	MLS #95704	SALE PENDING
4600 ANETTA DR	Mona Lopez 967-8602	MLS #95494	SALE PENDING
5116 SUNNYSIDE DR	Lydia Scudder 853-2200	MLS #95307	SALE PENDING
2513 N. CUTHBERT AVE	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #96523	$149,900
3320 CIMMARON AVE	Lydia Scudder 853-2200	MLS #95111	SALE PENDING
111 N. GLENWOOD AVE	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #95689	$149,900
3216 OHIO AVE	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #94377	$147,500
3708 AVONDALE	Randy Peets 889-8296	MLS #96401	$144,900
118 N. EISENHOWER DR	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #94986	SALE PENDING
125 S. BENTWOOD DR	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #95178	SALE PENDING
4623 THOMASON DRIVE	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #95328	SALE PENDING
4607 McKNIGHT DR	Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS #95674	$129,900
2104 TODD	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #97073	SALE PENDING
3311 W. LOUISIANA	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #96967	$129,900
4207 ANETTA DR	Pam Messer 349-3075	MLS #95057	$119,000
1941 ENGLISH DR	Michelle Lesikar 230-3633	MLS #97008	$118,000
915 HOLLY AVE	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #97135	$118,000
1205 CENTURY	Jennifer Martin 349-2632	MLS #96047	$110,000
803 SPRUCE AVE	Melissa Williams 349-2812	MLS #91025	SALE PENDING
410 N. FORT WORTH	Gloria Valdez Farmer 563-2732	MLS #91785	SALE PENDING
1208 BURCHILL DR	Sam McCrary 634-8370	MLS #95144	$97,500
4512 BROOKDALE DR	Sue Lytle 661-5338	MLS #95551	SALE PENDING
1813 E. OAK	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #94686	SALE PENDING

ONE/TWO BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
4900 & 4902 ANDREWS HWY	Ruth Young 352-0996	MLS #94450/94453	$425,000
3608 WEDGEWOOD	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #96196	$275,000
2100 W. WADLEY #68	Kay Bivens 934-5995	MLS #94465	$205,000
4404 NORWOOD	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #97338	$185,000
1207 W. LOUISIANA AVE	Kay Bivens 934-5995	MLS #95730	$185,000
5007 BELLE GROVE	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #95761	$175,900
4508 LANHAM	Cheryl Parrish 352-3053	MLS #97153	$169,900
2100 WADLEY AVE. #37	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96738	SOLD
4418 FAIRGATE	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS# 95633	SALE PENDING
2503 IDLEWILDE DR	Cheryl Parrish 352-3053	MLS #95585	SALE PENDING
3709 CEDAR SPRING	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #95795	$120,000
4209 HARLOWE DR	Mona Lopez 967-8602	MLS #95335	SALE PENDING
417 E. PINE AVE	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #94776	SALE PENDING
304 E. ESTES AVE	Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #94488	$97,000
1603 W. WASHINGTON AVE	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #94729	$79,000

HOMES IN MIDLAND COUNTY

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
6800 E. CO. RD. 109	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96761	4BD/$680,000
901 E. CO. RD. 125	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #95539	4BD/$649,900
4303 N. CO. RD. 1284	Leah Watkins 599-2187	MLS #95058	4BD/$595,000
6516 GLADIOLA	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95989	3BD/$540,000
1312 E. CO. RD. 128	Melissa Williams 349-2812	MLS #95538	4BD/$539,000
8605 W. CO. RD. 170, BARNOMINIUM	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #95103	SALE PENDING
3905 CARDINAL LANE	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97280	3 Acres/$499,999
6600 FM 715	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96956	3BD/$499,900
10508 E. CO. RD. 103	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #95069	4BD/$488,000
1000 N. HWY. 137	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95267	4BD$475,000
6402 FM 307	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #95995	SALE PENDING
5508 S. CO. RD. 1200	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96080	4BD/$399,900
405 E. CO. RD. 127	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96749	$395,900
2501 W. CO. RD. 130	Jennifer Martin 349-2632	MLS #96114	3BD/$375,000
10300 E. CO. RD. 105	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #95313	3BD/$369,900
1207 N. CO. RD. 1084	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #95433	4BD/$359,500
1401 S. CO. RD. 1120	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #96681	$350,000
206 E. CO. RD. 127	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #95768	7.97 Acres/$339,900
2501 W. CO. RD. 130	Jennifer Martin 349-2632	MLS #96114	3BD/$325,000
4206 N. CO. RD. 1130, GREENWOOD	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #96528	1.5 Acres/$315,000
2802 S. COUNTY RD. 1066	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95924	SALE PENDING
9701 W. CO. RD. 154	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #96160	7 Acres/$260,000
3900 S. CO. RD. 1187	Josie Alvarez 296-1395	MLS #95547	3BD/$259,900
607 E. CO. RD. 132	Clemmie Sorge 618-5019	MLS #95355	3BD/$259,750
2811 W. CO. RD. 116	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #93898	4BD/$129,900
6109 S. CO. RD. 1178	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #95812	$241,900
4100 N. CO. RD. 1133	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #95169	SALE PENDING
7212 N. CO. RD. 1298	Mona Lopez 967-8602	MLS #95021	4BD/$235,000
1106 PORTERFIELD RD	Cheryl Parrish 352-3053	MLS #96799	SOLD
310 E. CO. RD. 140	Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #95932	2BD/$189,900
3213 S. CO. RD. 1069	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96612	3BD/$168,000
6720 E. CO. RD. 94	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #95582	3BD/$160,000
1304 W. CO. RD. 140	Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #95891	2BD/$159,900
14905 E. CO. RD. 104	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #94961	3BD/$159,000
2811 W. CO. RD. 116	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #93898	4BD/$129,900
2906 S. CO. RD. 1220	Mona Lopez 967-8602	MLS #94391	3BD/$120,000
600 E. CO. RD. 135	Wendy Waddell 638-9955	MLS #96286	3BD/$100,000
3212 S. CO. RD. 1206	Maria Mallory 352-4021	MLS #93950	SOLD

HOMES OUTSIDE OF MIDLAND COUNTY

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
12278 W. HIGHWAY 158, GARDENDALE	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #94739	3BD/16+ Acres/$1,100,000
10 WOODHAVEN DR., ODESSA	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #94737	5BD/$497,500
345 CO. RD. 302 E., SEMINOLE	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #94506	4BD/$450,000
105 OASIS, HORSESHOE BAY	Peggy Spence 664-3011	MLS #123919	4BD/$399,000
7578 W. 16TH ODESSA	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #89855	SALE PENDING
1202 S. NELSON, MONAHANS	Lydia Scudder 853-2200	MLS #95441	3BD/$275,000
607 E. CO. RD. 132	Clemmie Sorge 618-5019	MLS #95355	3BD/$267,900
3008 SAN PEDRO- ODESSA	Maria Mallory 352-4021	MLS #90804	4BD/$263,000
503 W. 3RD ST., STANTON	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #94551	4BD/$240,000
2369 CO. RD. 2651, STANTON	Lavonne Johnson 770-3883	MLS #91080	3BD/$220,000
707 GRAY ST., STANTON	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #97322	$199,000
4474 E. GOLDENROD DR., GARDENDALE	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #96674	4.5 Acres/$189,900
302 9TH ST., IRAAN	Pam Messer 349-3075	MLS #92308	5BD/$179,000
202 E. 19TH, CRANE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96214	3BD/$175,000
2875 SE CO. RD. 5501, ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89268	3BD/$169,900
2623 CAMBRIDGE ST., ODESSA	Darla Davis 260-8077	MLS #91092, 97166	3BD/$163,900
1221 MARY ST., CRANE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96040	3BD/$160,000
404 SANTA ROSA AVE., ODESSA	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #94765	2BD/$160,000
900 NE 2ND, ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #90362	3BD/$140,000
1211 NW 4TH ST., ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89898	SALE PENDING
708 COLLIE WAY, ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89681	SALE PENDING
109 GRAY ST., STANTON	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #94344	3BD/$132,000
2102 ALLENDALE, BIG SPRING	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #95681	4BD/$130,900
1816 50TH, ODESSA	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #90506	$125,000
711 ST. FRANCIS, STANTON	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #93473	SALE PENDING
2715 CATALINA, ODESSA	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #94822	SALE PENDING
2203 S. JOHNSON AVE., PECOS	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #89618	4BD/$106,000
105 E. 21ST., CRANE	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #85747	SALE PENDING
1907 JOHNSON AVE., BIG SPRING	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #88348	SALE PENDING
1712 HACKBERRY ST., PECOS	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #88971	SALE PENDING
2705 BAGLEY, ODESSA	Lydia Scudder 853-2200	MLS #86570	3BD/$78,000
3104 MERRILL AVE., ODESSA	Darla Davis 260-8077	MLS #96052	2BD/SALE PENDING
1407 NW AVE. B., ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89176	2BD/$38,000

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
2800 ILLINOIS AVE	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #93478	$5,500,000
W. CO. RD. 116	Caleb Matott 349-3330		12.54 Acres/$4,000,000
I-20	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #94526	22.87 Acres/$1,143,500
1501 N. FAIRGROUNDS RD	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #95778	3.78 Acres/$1,400,000
600 N. WEATHERFORD ST	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #93661	$900,000
10310 S. CO. RD. 1210	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96680	$695,000
2112 E. I-20 SERVICE RD	Clemmie Sorge 618-5019	MLS #92155	SALE PENDING
107 CLARK ST	Ruth Young 352-0996	MLS #95196	$425,000
1205 W. INDUSTRIAL AVE	Larry Hatfield 684-0369	MLS #95165	$299,000
4207 S. CO. RD. 1135	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96679	$250,000
1105 N. MIDKIFF RD	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #94456	$180,000
1800 N. CO. RD. W., ODESSA, TX	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #83958	$170,000
608 E. BROADWAY, ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS#79313	$95,000
310 ST. PETER, STANTON	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #89966	$95,000
1103 N. MIDKIFF RD	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #94455	$90,000
503 E. BROADWAY, ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89899	$75,000

LANDS AND LOTS

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
W. CO. RD. 116	Caleb Matott 349-3330		12.54 Acres/$4,000,000
CO. RD. 1065	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97403	AWESOME Land; Will Split, 900 Acres/$3,600,000
8911 FM 307, GREENWOOD	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #95563	$3,180,000
3021 E. I-20	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #96595	31.74 Acres/$2,900,000
FM 1788	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #90083	$2,800,000
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97407	SUPERB Land; Will Split, 640 Acres/$2,560,000
CO. RD. 160	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97408	IDEAL Land, 502.20 Acres/$2,008,800
CO. RD. 1110	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #96969	261.045 Acres/$1,435,500
E. CO. RD. 130	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #90439	80 Acres/$1,400,000
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97406	SUPERB Land/320 Acres/$1,280,000
S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD	Caleb Matott 349-3330		96.85 Acres/$968,500
CO. RD. 60	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #88932	$950,000
CO. RD. 3100, STANTON	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #94070	185 Acres/$925,000
2005 S. CO. RD. 1110	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #91487	$902,500
720 MULBERRY, ODESSA	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #93219	2 Acres/$699,000
8605 W. CO. RD. 170	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #95349	SALE PENDING
2112 I-20 SERVICE RD	Clemmie Sorge 618-5019	MLS #92155	SALE PENDING
SINCLAIR	Ruth Young 682-7884		5 Acres/$425,000
6005 N. MIDLAND DR	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #95428	3.34 Acres/$398,000
9605 CO. RD. 307	Sue Lytle 661-5338	MLS #96951	26 Acres/$390,000
5401 E. CO. RD. 120	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #95128	31.22 Acres/$375,000
E. HWY. 158	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96101	SALE PENDING
S. FM 715	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #94977	$337,200
3700 W. CO. RD. 145	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #96344	10 Acres + a building!/$325,000
4202 E. CO. RD. 130	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #95809	13.5 Acres/$300,000
6005 N. MIDLAND DR	Ruth Young 682-7884	MLS #95428	3.4 Acres/$299,900
N. CO. RD. 1150/ELKINS RD	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #95384	20 Acres/$299,900
CO. RD. 1130	Clemmie Sorge 618-5019	MLS #89518	29.1 Acres/$291,000
S. CO. RD. 1089 (CIELO VISTA)	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #97325	15.685 Acres/$289,700
1006 S. CO. RD. 1135	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #94205	14 Acres/$280,000
HIGHWAY 191	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #87988	$250,000
4700 TROBAUGH	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #96920	7.548 Acres/$240,000
CO. RD. 1148	Gina Reyes 553-6381	MLS #96031	10 Acres/$215,000
807 N. FAIRGROUNDS RD	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #94740	1.75 Acres/$200,000
903 & 905 S. MAIN ST., ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89500	1.08 Acres/$197,500
W. CO. RD. 52	Mark Philliber 222-5071		10 Acres/$190,000
3605 W. CO. RD. 145	Josie Alvarez 296-1395	MLS #94202	15 Acres/$187,500
SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES	Sandy Hanson 638-3819		3+ Acre Lots/$135,000
1006 S. CO. RD. 1072, GREENWOOD	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #96343	2.74 Acres/$89,900
S. FM 1788	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #82050	2 Acres/$70,000
S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD	Caleb Matott 349-3330		96.85 Acres/$10,000/Acre
13216 E. CO. RD. 110E	Brooks Smith 528-2980	MLS #93114	$55,000
1801, 1803, 1805, 1807 & 1811 S. CO. RD. 1085	Wendy Waddell 638-9955	MLS #96261, 96262, 96263, 96264, 96265	1/2 Acre Lots/$20,000 Ea. Lot
CO. RD. 110	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #93331	1 Acre Lots/$21,900
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97405	GREAT Land, 320 Acres/$4,000/Acre
112 SW 2ND ST., ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89499	SALE PENDING
S. TYLER	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #92810	SALE PENDING

FARMS AND RANCHES

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CO. RD. 1065	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97403	AWESOME Land; Will Split, 900 Acres/$3,600,000
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CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065	Caleb Matott 349-3330		SUPERB Land/320 Acres/$1,280,000
12278 W. HIGHWAY 158, GARDENDALE	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #94739	3BD/$1,100,000
CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO	Caleb Matott 349-3330. Red Bluff Ranch. 35,100 Deeded. 23,040 BLM. 1,280 State Lease		35,100 Acres/$207 Per Acre
S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD	Caleb Matott 349-3330		96.85 Acres/$10,000 Per Acre
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97406	SUPERB Land - Will Split, 320 Acres/$4,000/Acre
ANDREWS/ECTOR COUNTY	Caleb Matott 349-3330. Lucrative water business opportunity		$1,000/Acre
JEFF DAVIS COUNTY	Caleb Matott 349-3330. Big Cat Ranch/Finest Ranch in Texas		10,230 Acres/SALE PENDING
JEFF DAVIS COUNTY	Caleb Matott 349-3330. Madera Canyon Ranch/The Best of Texas		9,451 Acres/SALE PENDING

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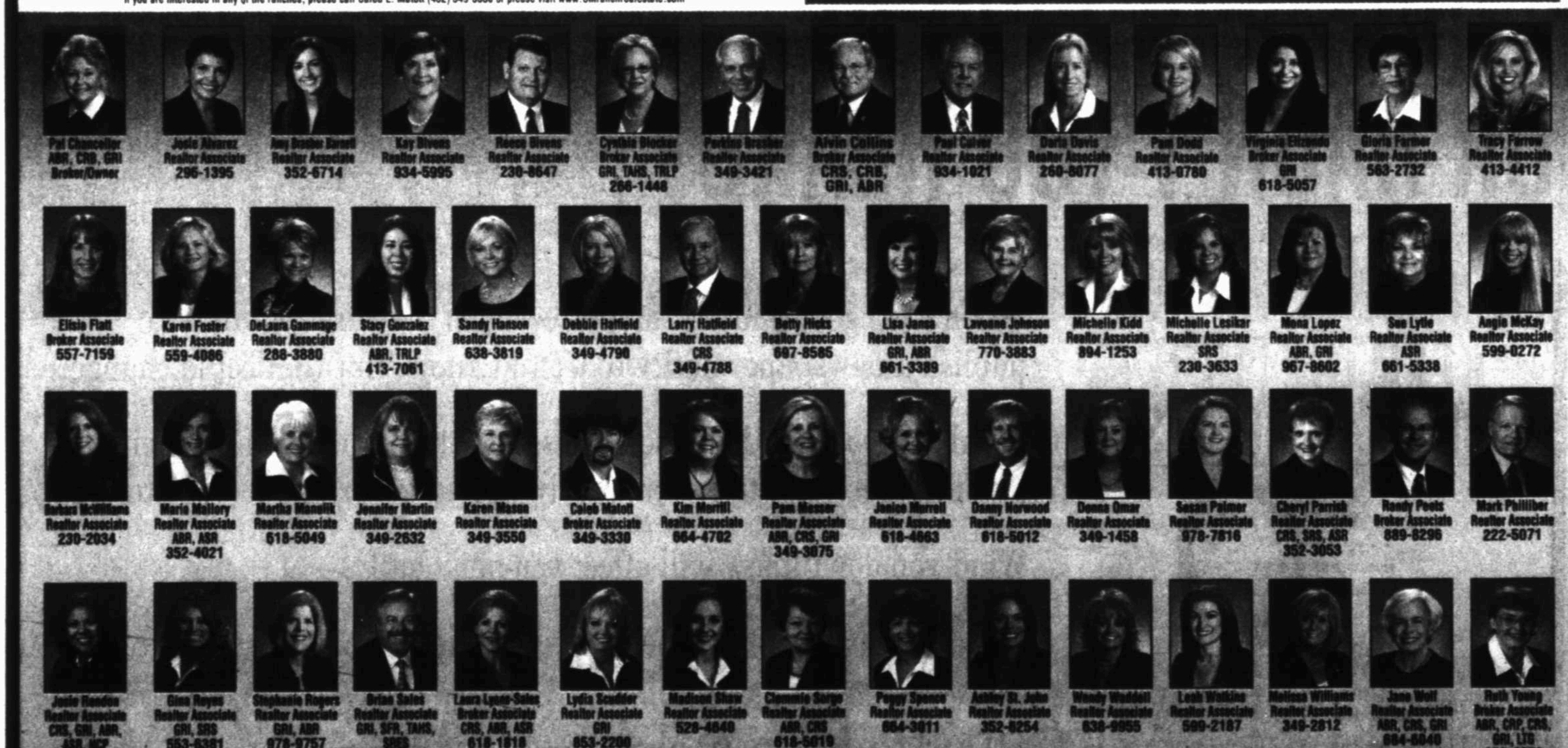
FOR LEASE

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
2100 #63 W. WADLEY AVE	Brian Sales 618-1818	MLS #96422	CORPORATE RENTAL $3,200/MONTH
201 NORTH I STREET	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #94346	$3,000/MONTH
3318 NEELY	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #97340	$2,700/MONTH
2220 CIMMARON	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #97225	$2,300/MONTH
2100 W. WADLEY #59	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #96753	$1,975/MONTH
4749 BOULDER	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #96805	$1,725/MONTH
4501 FAIRGATE	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #97266	$1,500/MONTH



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DANCES
from the Islands

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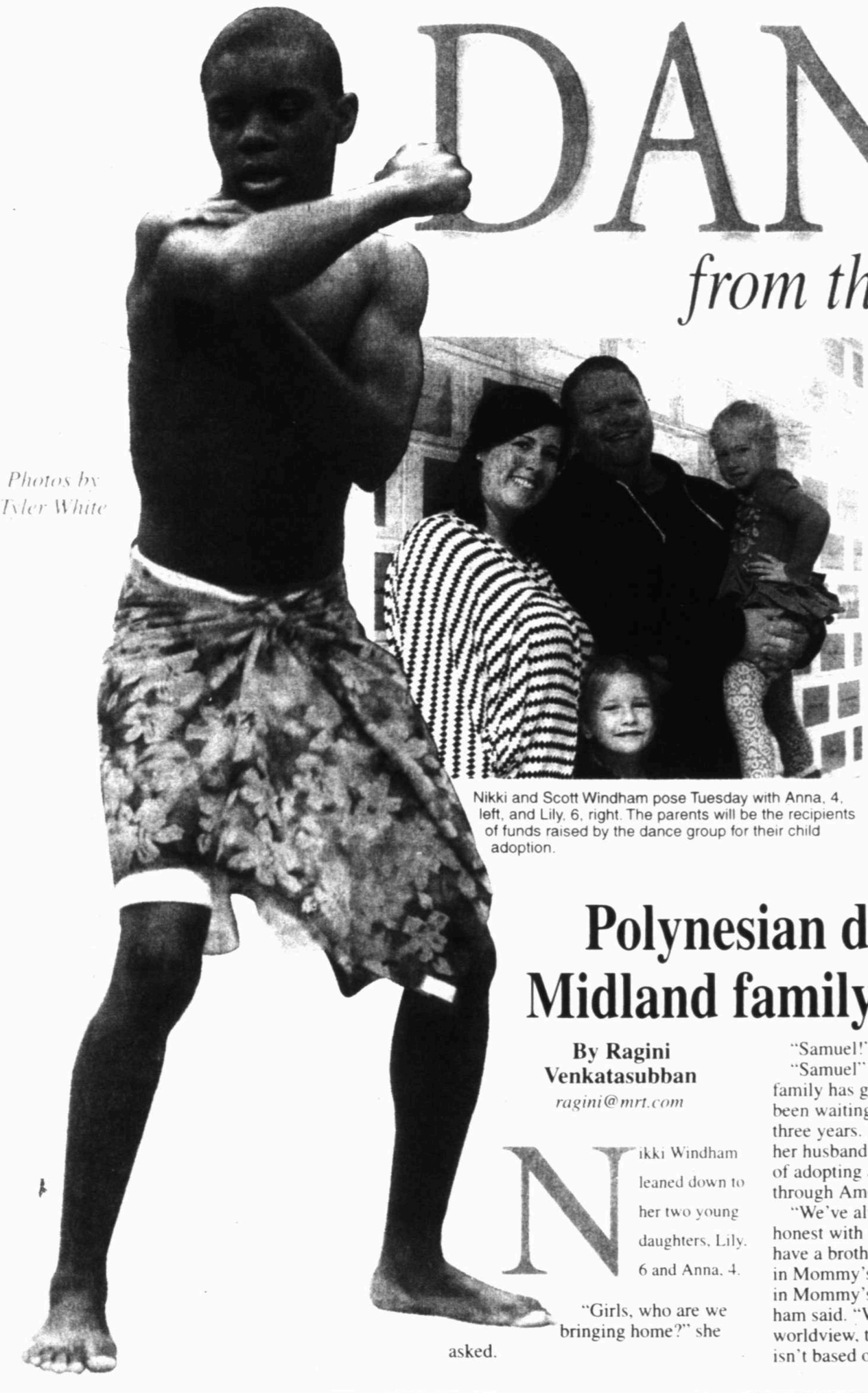

Nikki and Scott Windham pose Tuesday with Anna, 4, left, and Lily, 6, right. The parents will be the recipients of funds raised by the dance group for their child adoption.

The Aloha O Hawaii Polynesian Dance Group perform a Tahitian dance, Aparima, during a rehearsal Monday at Cole Theatre.

The boys in the Aloha O Hawaii Polynesian Dance Group stomped their feet and swung their arms to the song, "Manu Samoa" during a Samoan dance rehearsal on Monday.

Andres Foores, 14, stomps the ground as he rehearses a Samoan dance with other boys Monday.

Polynesian dance show to benefit Midland family waiting to adopt child

By Ragini Venkatasubban
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Nikki Windham leaned down to her two young daughters, Lily, 6 and Anna, 4.

"Girls, who are we bringing home?" she asked.

"Samuel!" they chorused in unison.

"Samuel" is the name the Windham family has given to the boy they've been waiting to adopt for the past three years. In late 2010, Nikki and her husband, Scott, started the process of adopting an international child through America World Adoption.

"We've always been really open and honest with (our daughters) that they have a brother and that he didn't grow in Mommy's tummy, but he grows in Mommy's heart," Nikki Windham said. "We want to expand their worldview, teach them that family isn't based on DNA or the color of your skin."

Because of the many clearances and checks involved with international adoption, the process has taken longer than normal, Scott Windham said. The Windhams are currently number 29 on a waiting list for a boy from Africa between the ages of newborn and 18 months old.

The family chose to do "sight unseen" adoption, where they select a country, gender and age range and are matched with a child who needs them. Over the past three years, the

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Chinese New Year celebrations include lanterns, symbolic food

■ Dallas fairgrounds hosting Chinese Lantern Festival through Feb. 17

FAMILY FUN

Email Joan Huff at foodetcmrt@aol.com. See more recipes at mywesttexas.com.

Chinese New Year begins Jan. 31 and is celebrated for 15 days, ending with a lantern festival that features beautiful lanterns floating in up the air. The Chinese select one of their zodiac animal signs to be the symbol of the New Year — this year's choice is the horse. If you scan the paper each day to read your horoscope, you might be interested to know what your other sign predicts for your day.

The horse is a favorite animal of the Chinese people. They provided quick transportation before the invention of automobiles and helped win many battles. For the Chinese, horses represent high rank and leadership. Therefore, the horse has become a symbol of traveling, competition and victory.

Western zodiac signs are assigned by your birth month and day; Chinese signs are by your birth year. To find your sign, go to astrology.com/chinese-astrology and input your birthday. Then, click to find out your horoscope and predictions for the year. I found out I was born in the year of the pig, and at first I was a little disappointed when compared with the other choices. However, after reading the description, I was happy to be connected with the pig.

Chinese New Year is all about family — getting together for celebratory meals and sharing good times. One tradition is for red envelopes to be passed to children or unmarried adults. Called "hong hao," the envelopes contain money and indicate good luck or fortune and happiness in the Chinese culture. Dragons also are present in many Chinese celebrations. They denote

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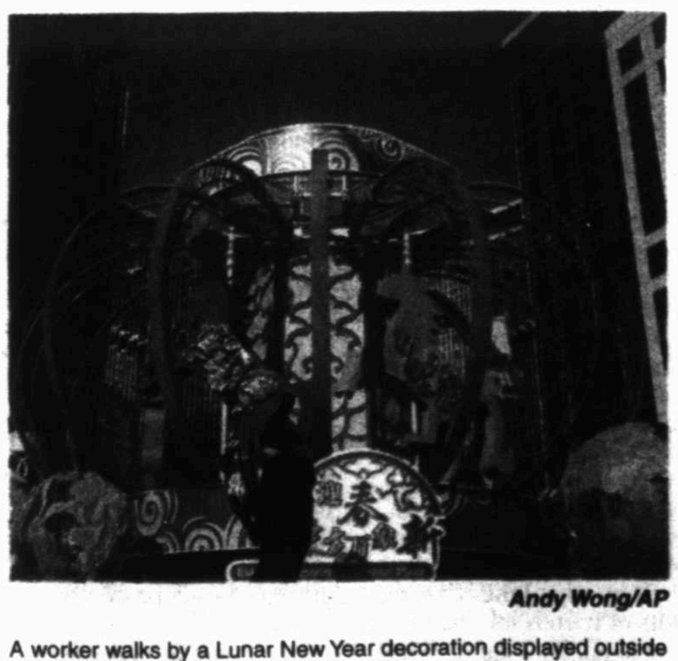

Andy Wong/AP

A worker walks by a Lunar New Year decoration displayed outside a shopping mall in Beijing on Jan. 8. Chinese will celebrate the Lunar New Year on Feb. 1 this year which marks the Year of Horse on the Chinese zodiac.

Tyler White/Reporter-Telegram

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DANCES

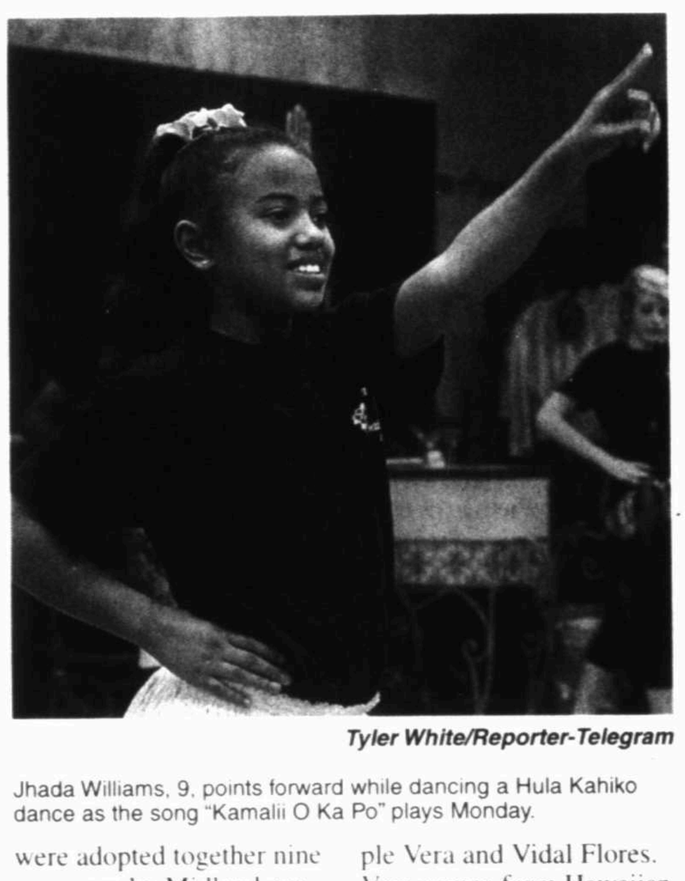
From 1E

costs have been piling up. Between travel to other countries, agency fees, dossier costs and background checks, the adoption will cost the Windhams $30,000-$40,000.

Thanks to the Aloha O Hawaii Polynesian Dance Group, that cost may soon be lessened. The local dance group will hold its sixth annual "Dances from the Islands" show at 7 p.m. Jan. 25 at the Yucca Theatre, 208 N. Colorado St. Tickets are $10 in advance and $15 at the door. For advance tickets, call Diane Faulkner at 528-1192.

Proceeds from the show will benefit the Windham family.

Adoption runs close to the heart for the Aloha O Hawaii Polynesian Dance Group. Five of the group's dancers are siblings who were adopted together nine years ago by Midland couple Vera and Vidal Flores. Vera comes from Hawaiian and Portuguese descent. The Floreses, who were 50 at the time, adopted Andres, 14; Martin, 11; twins Ashaun and Ashanti, 10; Vidal, 9; and an older sibling, Thomas, who is an adult now.



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Jhada Williams, 9, points forward while dancing a Hula Kahiko dance as the song "Kamalii O Ka Po" plays Monday.

"We took them all because we didn't want to split them up," Vera Flores said.

The dance show will highlight children and their importance in the world, in keeping with the theme of adoption, said Faulkner, director of Aloha O Hawaii. More than 20 students, including children and adults, will perform four types of Polynesian dance: Hawaiian, Tahitian, Samoan and Maori. Dancers from Dallas, New Mexico, Oklahoma and California will also perform.

In past years, the show has raised funds to provide shoes for elementary school students in the Philippines and sewing machines for women in Africa.

Nikki and Scott Windham will sing duets and prayers in English and Hawaiian at the show, including a song called "Every Child a Promise." Another local couple that has already adopted a daughter will speak about adoption.

Nikki Doria, a senior at Lee High School, will celebrate her final "Dances from the Islands" show before graduating this spring. The 17-year-old has been dancing with Aloha O Hawaii for the past 12 years. She has advanced to "alakai," a student teacher who helps with choreography, costumes and teaching.

"Hula has always been here for me," she said. "It's so natural to me; once you get the dance, it's just so effortless. It's really relaxing to me."

Doria called Aloha O Hawaii her "halau," which means "school" in Hawaiian. The dancers are all a big family, she said. The school was started in Midland in 1981 by Faulkner.

If you go

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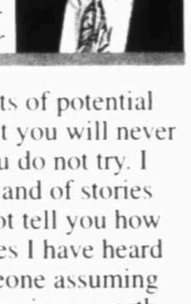
Woman regrets rash break-up decision

FAMILY MATTERS

Jim May, Ph.D., is director of the Family Wellness Center



DEAR FAMILY: I have been divorced for six years. Last summer I met a man and we started dating. We fell in love right away. We had some wonderful, truly magical times together. I could not believe I could be so lucky. It was the first time in six years (actually my whole life) where I was truly head-over-hills in love. At Christmas he decided to go and visit his family but did not invite me to go. I hinted and hinted then eventually asked him outright why he wasn't taking me. He never did give me an answer that made much sense to me. I felt rejected and like there must be something wrong with me for him to be too ashamed to take me to meet his family.

I was so hurt that I foolishly broke up with him; he begged me not to do it but I was hardheaded and told him to "go find a girlfriend he could be proud to take to his family." Then I waited and waited from him to call. He still has not called me. I am miserable. I wrote him several long texts apologizing but he never texted back. I cannot tell you how much I miss him and how sorry I am that I was so rash. Friends have told me that he's not dating anyone but was very hurt by what I did. I've had lots of friends tell me to move on, but I can't. What should I do? I want to go and see him but I don't want to look desperate. — MISERABLE

DEAR MISERABLE: I would encourage you to follow your heart. I do not think there is much of a psychological issue in your situation. There is no abuse involved, rather a communications problem. It sounds as if you made what you now view as a rash decision and regret it. My general suggestion would be to perhaps contact him via voicemail and ask if you two could meet somewhere for coffee. Perhaps if you actively offer an olive branch he will respond and at least talk to you.

I would also encourage you to get a notebook and start writing your ex-boyfriend letters. Tell him exactly how you feel about him and the situation. Do not send the letters. The purpose of the writing is to help you process your feelings rather than to make amends with him. This will help prepare you to talk to him in a less emotional state (you know how most guys are about processing feelings).

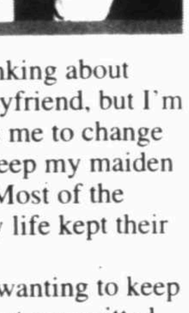
One could be concerned as to why he will not give you another chance. There could be lots of potential reasons, but you will never know if you do not try. I live in the land of stories and I cannot tell you how many stories I have heard about someone assuming and not pursuing a worthwhile person and never knowing. When someone has as many good experiences as you had with him, I would go for it.

A final suggestion: Gregg Matte of Breakaway Ministries who was at Texas A&M, in his wonderful series on Christian Dating, suggests that to prepare us for that special person that we start writing letters to that person. You would get another journal (a special lovely one) and start writing letters "to the one that God has selected for you." Tell that person in your letters all about your thoughts and feelings for him, what is going on in your life, about the good and bad times and when you have thought about him and who he might be. Save those letters in your journal, and when you meet that one whom God has provided, you can share those with him at the appropriate time.

Wife prefers solitary life despite husband's protests

DEAR ABBY

Universal Press Syndicate



DEAR ABBY: My husband, "George," and I have been married for 13 years. Last night he dropped a bombshell. He told me that while he loves me, he isn't happy. He assured me he has no inclination to divorce me, but he pretty much laid the entire reason for his unhappiness at my feet.

I don't handle people well. I love George and our son, but I am most relaxed and comfortable when I'm by myself. I don't neglect them. We do lots of stuff outside the house as a family. I have no close friends, and that's how I prefer it.

George's complaint is that I keep him from having friends. I have never tried to stop him. In fact, I have encouraged him to cultivate friendships and hang out with "the guys," join groups, etc. He said he can't do that and leave me at home. I wouldn't mind his going out, but it's nerve-racking for me to go.

Abby, in 13 years I don't think I have ever looked George or my son in the eye. It's not something I'm comfortable with. My husband knew how I was when he married me. What can I do? — OKLAHOMA LONER

DEAR LONER: You need to find out why you are unable to look even the people closest to you in the eye. Eye contact is an important part of communication, and that you are unable to do it even with your child is of concern to me. There may be a psychological or neurological reason for it.

While it's fine for you to encourage your husband to socialize without you, it's understandable that he would feel uncomfortable doing it all the time. He isn't a bachelor. Couples usually socialize together, and the women often initiates the arrangement.

If the root of your problem is a social anxiety disorder, there is help available for it. Your doctor may be able to refer you to a specialist. For the sake of your marriage and your family, please don't put it off.

DEAR ABBY: I'm thinking about marrying my longtime boyfriend, but I'm hesitant because he wants me to change my last name. I want to keep my maiden name as my mother did. Most of the women I look up to in my life kept their names.

My boyfriend said my wanting to keep my name tells him I am not committed. He said he'd be really hurt if I did it. I feel that retaining my name is the ultimate in female empowerment. The tradition of women changing their last name goes back to when we were treated as property and not educated. What do you think I should do? — FEMALE FIRST, WIFE SECOND

DEAR FEMALE FIRST: Women retain their maiden names for a variety of reasons: Many do it because they are established in their careers when they marry and feel a name change would be confusing. Others prefer to keep their personal and professional lives separate. This shouldn't be a contest of wills, and you should not change your name to prove the depth of your commitment.

Your boyfriend appears to be very traditional in his thinking. Stop for a moment and ask yourself what that would mean for your future if you marry him. Would he be willing to compromise if you offer to hyphenate your name with his? If he isn't, and you feel giving up your name would make you feel like chattel, then perhaps you should look for a man whose beliefs are closer to your own.

Mark Lennihan/AP

Chiara de Blasio stands with her father, Democratic mayoral candidate Bill de Blasio, and her brother, Dante, left, on Nov. 5 after her father voted in the Brooklyn borough of New York. On Christmas Eve, Chiara, 19, bared her soul on YouTube about her history of depression and substance abuse, and urged others to get help. Chiara was lauded for her brave act of speaking out publicly, but experts said teens should be careful about airing their issues in public.

New York mayor's daughter tells all — should your teen?

By Leanne Italie
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Chiara de Blasio helped get her dad elected mayor, flaunting quirky head gear and joking from the podium on primary night. But on Christmas Eve, the 19-year-old did something else: She bared her soul on YouTube about her history of depression and substance abuse.

The idea, she said, was to urge others to get help. Fiercely protective of her privacy while allowing her front and center on the campaign trail, her parents released a statement of support when the surprise video dropped.

While the timing was questioned — the four-minute video from her father's transition team was released when many were distracted by the holidays — advocates for Chiara's generation of digital natives lauded her speaking out publicly as the act of a brave young woman.

Brave, yes, but foolhardy, perhaps, for other teens who don't have access to slick political handlers and, unlike Chiara, still face the perilous and competitive college admissions process. She already attends in California.

Handled or not, today's teens are notorious oversharers on social media, but does Chiara's revelation symbolize something else as mental health advocates work to destigmatize the shame and silent suffering of those afflicted? What of other young people so inspired to publicly disclose their depression, drinking and drugging, eating disorders or struggles against suicidal thoughts?

"I think in general that it's healing for people to be honest. I also think in the admissions context that it's very challenging and problematic. I would advise a child to go very, very gingerly," said Carol Barash, founder and CEO of Story to College, a Manhattan-based nonprofit that has worked with thousands of students from diverse backgrounds on how to shape personal narratives for college essays and scholarships.

"There's a difference between telling your friends and the whole world," she added. "Most kids don't have a PR team to help them through what could happen, all the fallout from doing that brave, courageous thing."

From 13 to 20 percent of young people in the U.S. ages 3 to 17 experience a broad range of mental disorders in a given year, and prevalence appears to be increasing, according to a recent report from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which looked at data over multiple years from multiple sources.

Suicide, for youth ages 12 to 17, was the second leading cause of death in 2010, the report said.

"We are seeing more public disclosure," said Cheryl Rode, senior clinical director for the nonprofit San Diego Center for Children, which is under contract to provide services through San Diego County.

"Some of it is because of the movement of social media but some of it is also within the field of mental health. There's a large focus on stigma reduction," she said. "Many teens feel like they're the only ones experiencing whatever it is they're going through, and so when others are speaking up, it makes it a little bit safer. Talking about mental health is really important."

But talking to whom? That, she said, is a "very individual and personal decision" that should definitely include parents.

"Most kids, when they're sharing, are sharing more impulsively," Rode said. "I would not say parents should encourage publicizing to a mass audience their youth's mental health status. You lose control of it. Disclosing in a more limited personal way is a better way of building support."

More young people suffering both mental health and serious physical health conditions are enthusiastic in recovery and treatment about sharing their stories to help others, she said.

"I think adolescents often see themselves as very altruistic, whether it's giving advice to another kid in a group kind of setting or being the example, the role model. That's often a very healing process for kids," Rode said.

But they still require adult guidance on exactly how to get that done. It could be a therapist, guidance counselor or parent, or all three.

"They're still adolescents. They don't think about the future," Rode said. "They're very in the present. It's what sounds good now, and social media sounds good right now, but once you've put it out there and if you have a change of heart, it's hard to take it back."

While trying to lessen stigma over mental health diagnoses and substance abuse, Los Angeles child and adolescent psychiatrist Anandhi Narasimhan cautions that public disclosure remains risky for young people, especially when "coming out" at school or in the college admissions process.

"It depends on the admissions committee and who reads the essay. You just don't know," she said.

Family therapist Rick Meeves in Salt Lake City oversees a network of teen treatment centers for CRC Health Group and has worked with adolescents for 20 years. While he, too, considers Chiara's disclosure a positive, he also thinks other teens should tread lightly.

"It's heroic, it's pioneering and it's laudable, but I don't think we're quite there yet as a society of being able to say, 'Hey look, I suffer from depression and I manage it. I would like to think that we're almost there, but I'm not sure we are."

In Chiara's case, rumors that she had battled drug issues were rampant during the mayoral campaign, but she and her brother were off-limits to reporters and the campaign refused the media's questions on the subject. In the video, she said outpatient treatment got her through, but no media outlet published a story before the video surfaced at a traditionally dead period in the news cycle.

Psychiatrist Joseph Shrand in Brockton, Mass., works with children and adolescents on issues relating to addiction, bullying and at-risk behaviors. He believes timing is everything when it comes to disclosure.

"General, public disclosure should only happen when the patient is ready," he said. "Premature disclosure can make a person more depressed, or result in increased substance use due to shame and embarrassment."

The problem could boil down to a young person feeling ready when he or she really isn't.

The comment function below Chiara's YouTube was disabled, so routinely vicious, anonymous feedback on the site was limited. The video received nearly 100,000 views in about two weeks. Tim Jordan, a St. Louis developmental and behavioral pediatrician specializing in teen girls, was among those who took a look.

"My guess is that being of service to others in need is a critical part of her healing and recovery," he said. "Instead of being stuck in shame, regret and blame, she is focusing her intention and energies on being valuable to others. A younger person would probably not have the maturity and sense of security to be able to handle the backlash from such an admission."

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prosperity, good luck and good fortune.

Before the New Year arrives, the Chinese give their homes a thorough cleaning to sweep away any bad luck that may have gathered during the year. They also decorate doors and windows using red, which is considered a lucky color. Do not clean for the first few days of the new year because of the risk of sweeping away good luck.

Families also gather on New Year's Eve to prepare Chinese dumplings. A coin is hidden in one of the dumplings and whoever gets that particular dumpling is said to have good luck in the coming year. Festive foods are served because they symbolize abundance and good fortune. Children and guests are also given tangerines and oranges as they symbolize wealth and good luck. Families also prepare a "Tray of Togetherness," which is a circular or octagonal shaped tray with eight compartments, each containing foods such as lotus seeds and lychee nuts that provide a sweet beginning to the New Year.

If you would like to experience the Chinese New Year celebration, Fair Park in Dallas is having a Chinese Lantern Festival open until Feb. 17. Visitors can learn how the ancient Chinese celebrated and find their Chinese zodiac sign in the form of a beautiful lantern. Each lantern set is made of thousands of individual pieces. One popular display is the Imperial Dragon Boat, which is more than 120 feet long. Visitors can step aboard or just observe from the shore. A porcelain pagoda, 68,000 pieces of hand painted porcelain dishware, vases, lanterns, folk artists and even a bamboo forest with pandas will entertain the entire family. The festival is open each day from 5:30-9:30 p.m. Tickets and more information can be found at www.Chineselanternfestival.com.

John Dunham/AP

Whitesville Elementary School second-graders Macie Edge, 7, and Adan Roblero, 8, paint a dragon head, Tuesday, in Donna Morgan's classroom in Owensboro, Ky. The students are preparing for the Chinese New Year 4712, the year of the horse, on Jan 31.

WEDDINGS & ENGAGEMENTS

Kelly - Lester

Emily Jane Kelly and Dustin V. Lester were united in marriage Saturday, November 2, 2013 at a sunset ceremony in the Grand Ballroom at Hotel Settles in Big Spring, Texas, with Reverend Mark Rae officiating. Music for the ceremony was provided by pianist Darryl Knapp from Midland, Texas and guitarist Adrian Calvio from Big Spring. Scripture readers were Dana Abshere, sister of the groom, of Claremore, Oklahoma, Connor Steel and Jennie Steel, cousins of the bride, of Big Spring, and Tara Street, friend of the bride, of Belton, Texas.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held with dinner served in the Hotel Settles Pavilion. A close friend of the bride, Josh Abbott, performed the song for the couple's first dance as a special gift to them. After their dance, the celebration continued, as guests danced poolside to the music of the AC and the Heaters Band of Big Spring.

The bride is the daughter of Jane Ann Kelly of Amarillo, Texas and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kelly of Dallas, Texas. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Winston Steel of Dalhart, Texas and the late Mr. and Mrs. Tyrone Thomas Kelly of Fort Davis, Texas.

The groom is the son of James Boyd and the late Loretta Boyd of Claremore, Oklahoma and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Lester of Sperry, Oklahoma. He is the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thomason of Oologah, Oklahoma and the late Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Lester of Talala, Oklahoma.

Given in marriage by her family, and escorted by her brother, the bride wore a trumpet-style gown of hand-cut ivory French lace over champagne satin. The gown featured crystals on the fitted bodice and a scalloped train, and was complemented by the cathedral length veil her sister wore in her wedding. In her hand tied bouquet of succulents, white hydrangea, ranunculus, with accents of seeded eucalyptus and dusty miller, she carried a brooch that was worn by her maternal great, great-grandmother in her wedding in 1910 and a small picture of the groom's late mother. She wore her maternal grandmother's diamond cross necklace and paternal grandmother's diamond anniversary ring. She wore a gardenia in her hair in memory of her maternal great-grandmother.

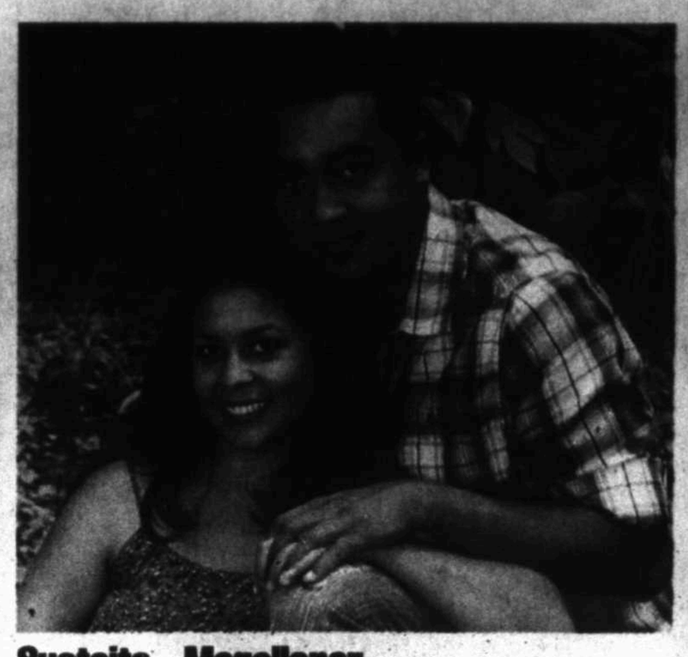
The couple was married in front of an eight-foot tall cedar cross that the groom built for the ceremony. The cross was adorned in white hydrangea, stock, spray roses, succulents, seeded eucalyptus and dusty miller, and was placed in front of screens displaying a myriad of flickering votive candles, creating a warm glow on the beautiful fall evening.

Katy Flood of Spring, Texas was the Matron of Honor for her sister. Serving as bridesmatrons for Emily were Lacie Johnston of Belton, Texas and Kelley Simon of Midland, Texas. The flower girl was Jordan Abshere of Claremore, Oklahoma, niece of the groom. The bridesmaids wore gray chiffon cocktail dresses and carried bouquets of white spray roses and ranunculus with accents of succulents, seeded eucalyptus, and dusty miller.

Serving as the best man for Dustin was Joel Baker of Talala, Oklahoma. Groomsmen were Phil Pennington of Oologah, Oklahoma and Dustin Abel of Coweta, Oklahoma. The ring bearer was Wes Abshere, from Claremore, Oklahoma, nephew of the groom.

Ushers were Glen Abshere, brother-in-law of the groom, of Claremore, Oklahoma, Tanner Flood, brother-in-law of the bride, from Spring, Texas, and Winston Kelly, brother of the bride, from Midland.

Following a honeymoon to Panama, Emily and Dustin reside in Midland.



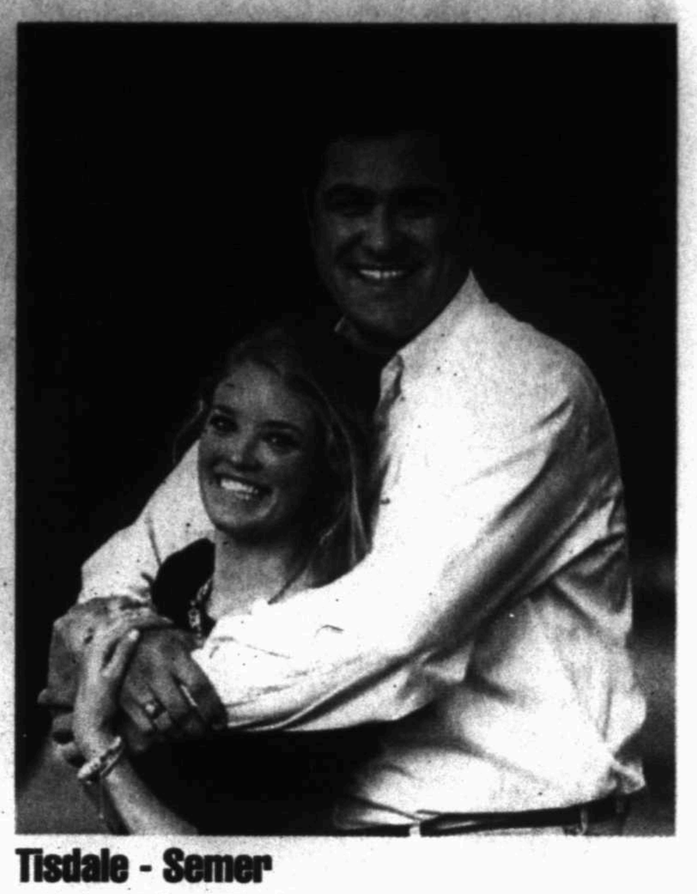
Sustaita - Magallanez

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Sustaita of Midland, Texas are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Justine Sustaita, to Mr. Michael Magallanez, son of Mr. and Mrs. Juan Magallanez of Odessa, Texas. Miss Sustaita is the granddaughter of Mrs. Bertha Franco, the late Mr. Pablo Franco of Odessa, Texas, the late Mrs. Eleuteria Sustaita, and the late Mr. Biviano Sustaita of Lamesa, Texas. Mr. Magallanez is the grandson of Juanita and Lucio Covos of Presidio, Texas and Andres and Natividad Magallanez of Odessa, Texas .

The bride-elect is a 2007 graduate of Lee High School of Midland, Texas, and a 2013 graduate of Texas Tech University, where she earned a Bachelor's of Nutritional Sciences and Dietetics and was a member of the Student Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. She is currently enrolled in the Texas Tech Master's program in Nutrition and Dietetics and the Texas Tech Dietetic Internship program.

The prospective groom is a 2003 graduate of Odessa High School in Odessa and attended Odessa College. With 10 years of experience in car audio installation, at present he is employed with Stan's Car Audio in Lubbock, TX.

The couple will be married March 8, 2014 at St. Stephen's Catholic Church in Midland, Texas.



Tisdale - Semer

Mark and Betty Tisdale happily announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Elizabeth Tisdale, to Andrew James Semer. Andrew is the son of Jim and Amy Semer of Bastrop, Texas.

Sarah is the granddaughter of Barry and Helen Tisdale of Midland and the late Bob and Ann Nugent of Odessa. Andrew is the grandson of Wanda Lindgren of Bastrop and Laverne Howard.

Both Sarah and Andrew are Texas State University graduates.

The wedding ceremony will be at The Winfield Inn, Kyle, Texas, on March 15, 2014.

The couple will reside in Midland.

Wild weather feeds homeowners' anxiety over trees

By Diana Marzalek
Associated Press

Nancy Owens takes no chances with trees since a windstorm propelled a large one through the roof of her Long Island, N.Y., home 15 or so years ago.

So when a neighbor whose property abuts Owens' Maine summer home said he believed two of her tall pines looked suspiciously askew — and leaning toward his house — Owens wasted no time having them removed.

"They didn't look dead to us. But what do I know?" Owens said. "I was born and raised in Manhattan. I know nothing about trees except they can come through your roof."

Owens, who "cries every time I have to take down a tree," is one of a number of homeowners who reluctantly opt to be safe rather than sorry by removing trees — even when it may not be necessary.

Arborist Dane Buell, who oversees tree care for the company SavATree, said that in the last few years people call him "all the time" asking to remove healthy trees. Most, he said, are afraid of the uptick in wild weather that has sent trees crashing down on homes, cars and power lines around the country.

"People see bad things that happen with trees, and the natural response is we should cut them all down," Buell said.

Joe Lamb, a Berkeley, Calif., arborist sees the phenomenon too. He cautions that there's no connection between a tree's size and the hazard it poses.

"It is very common for people to be afraid of trees simply because they are large," Lamb said.

The health of the tree is more important than its size, Buell said, and he recommends that property owners focus on managing their trees. That includes annual health checks, pruning, and precautionary steps such as adding support and even lightning protection when necessary.

Certified arborists can identify problems — insect infestation, nutritional deficiencies and disease — in the early stages "90 some percent of the time," he said. Remediation is often fairly simple, too, he said.

This undated publicity photo provided by SavA-Tree shows tree pruning, which improves trees' overall health and structure. Pruning, along with an arborist using a resistograph to check for tree decay, is used to determine a tree's stability.

AP Photo

"Trees fail often because these conditions are not identified early. They don't fail because they are tall," Buell said.

And while no one can prevent an extreme storm from toppling even the healthiest of trees, he said, the benefits of having trees usually far outweigh the risks they pose.

For example, trees around a home can increase its value up to 15 percent, according to the Arbor Day Foundation. Properly placed trees around buildings can also reduce air conditioning needs by up to 30 percent, and save 20 percent to 50 percent in energy used for heating, according to the USDA Forest Service.

Homeowners aren't the only ones who have stepped up precautions in recent years. Bob McGee, a spokesman for Con Edison, which provides power to New York City and neighboring Westchester County, said the utility company has improved its year-round tree-trimming since the recent rash of harsh storms.

"This typically engenders either a community outpouring of thankfulness or scorn, depending on whether there's been a recent storm," McGee said. "We know that taking this action helps keep service reliable. But if nothing is going on and we trim the trees, people will hit the roof."

Lamb — who said he gets a rush of tree-removal requests from homeowners after storms — said he finds many people are willing to try remedial measures such as thinning out a tree and removing dead branches once they learn more about them.

For many others, however, it's better to err on the side of caution.

"If someone says that a tree doesn't look right, I don't argue with that," Owens said.

Gardening small? Many fruits grow well in containers

By Dean Fosdick
Associated Press

Many fruit growers are going to pots, and small wonder. Containers are great for tight spaces, easy to manage, convenient for harvesting, and provide better soil than is found in most gardens.

"They also allow growing more experimental fruits, such as warm climate or tropical ones, if pots can be moved inside in winter," said Leonard Perry, an extension professor with the University of Vermont.

Everything from blueberries to persimmons, citrus to currents can be grown in containers. And don't forget that old standby, the clay strawberry pot.

Some potted fruits, though, may surprise.

"Pineapples are one of the easiest warm-climates fruits to grow in pots," Perry said. "There are even some grapes suited for containers."

Potting fruit does pose challenges different from those encountered when growing fruit in the ground. Some things to consider:

■ Pot size: You can get by with smaller containers and less re-potting if you choose wisely. It all depends on the plant. "You may need to re-pot every three to five years, trimming off some of the older roots, to keep plants vigorous," Perry said.

"Blueberries are one of the best choices for containers. Look for one of the newer cultivars bred for containers — a half-high or low bush. These can be grown in pots a foot or so wide. For dwarf fruit trees, use plastic containers or a whiskey barrel half, 18 to 24 inches wide," he said. "Casters on the bottom make containers easier to move about a patio, or inside in winter in colder climates."

■ Watering: Plants in containers dry out more quickly than those in the ground, and need more frequent watering.

■ Fertilizing: It's safe to wait a few weeks before fertilizing since most container soils include fertilizers. Water-soluble, slow-release fertilizers generally work best. Their small capsules gradually dissolve when watered, adding nutrients to the plant mix.

■ Soil types: "Pots create different drainage and air properties than soils, so don't use straight garden soil for fruit in pots," Perry said. "Use half-bagged topsoil or potting soil, with half organic matter such as peat moss or compost. Leave a couple of inches free on the top for adding fresh compost each spring."

■ Longevity and yields: You naturally sacrifice yields by growing in small pots, said Elmer Kidd, chief production officer for Stark Bro's Nurseries & Orchards Co. in Louisiana, Mo. Nutrition and watering are far more important with containerized plants. "For those who want to participate in the gardening realm by growing in pots, their efforts can be respectable if their level of care is good," Kidd said.

Raspberries grow on the patio of a home near Langley, Wash. in this 2013 file photo. Raspberries are an easy-to-grow choice for containers. They can be placed near high traffic areas around the property, making for convenient and wholesome snacks.

Dean Fosdick/AP

For those who can't decide which fruit to grow, grafting can offer more choices. Consider taking what John Duarte, president of Duarte Nursery Inc. in Hughson, Calif., calls the "Cocktail Tree" route. Duarte Nursery creates trees with different varieties of the same fruit or different fruit species. A cocktail tree can be a peach tree that has an early-, mid- or late-season peach variety, or it can be a combination of peach, plum, apricot or nectarine — all on the same tree.

Matthew Mead/AP

This Jan. 6 photo shows hot and spicy artichoke spinach dip in Concord, N.H.

Remaking a fatty dip with a healthier side

By Sara Moulton
Associated Press

Is there a chip dip in the world that isn't wonderful? No matter what the flavor, at heart most are tubs of sour cream or melted cheese. Few foods are more satisfying.

Of course, most dips also are notoriously heavy with fat and calories. Indeed, that's why we love them. Still, I figured there must be ways to lighten them up while retaining their luxurious texture.

I started by bulking up on the vegetables — in this case, artichokes and spinach. Artichokes happen to contain many nutrients and a ton of fiber. I chose canned artichokes rather than frozen because the canned are packed in citric acid, which gives them a lemony kick. But if you prefer frozen, you'll need 2 cups thawed.

But why frozen spinach instead of fresh? Because you'd need to cook down a bathtub full of fresh spinach — or pretty darn near it — to end up with the equivalent of a cupful of frozen spinach. No one wants to do all that work before even starting to mix the dip. Also, a cup of frozen spinach boasts more than four times the nutrients of a cup of fresh spinach. It's kind of hard to beat. And all I had to do was defrost it and squeeze it out. Easy.

Now, how to conjure up that rich, cheesy texture without employing a boatload of cheese? I started with Neufchatel, a French cream cheese that has one-third less fat than the full-fat version, but more flavor than the no-fat version. Then I added some low-fat sour cream for tang and a tiny bit of low-fat mayonnaise for the oil. You're welcome to substitute extra-virgin olive oil, if you'd like.

Finally, there's some Parmigiano-Reggiano, which bristles with so much flavor and salt that just a little bit of it — an ounce in this case — will do the trick. The full-fat version of this dip usually includes mozzarella, but I didn't miss it, so I didn't use it.

All these veggies and cheese cried out for some heat. I ended up using red pepper flakes and Peppadews. Peppadews are pickled red peppers from South Africa, hot and sweet and about the size of cherry tomatoes. If you don't find them in the market, you can swap in pickled cherry peppers or even roasted red peppers. As an added bonus, any of these red peppers will brighten up the dip's complexion.

The finishing touches? Caramelized onions and garlic. Please take the time to cook the onions slowly, which brings out their natural sugar. It adds a nice depth of flavor to the mix.

Serve this dip with a healthy cracker (just read the label) or make your own pita crisps. To do so, just separate some two-layered pita bread pockets into single layers, spray them lightly with oil, cut them into triangles, and bake them at 400 F for 10 to 12 minutes, or until crisp. Then go ahead and indulge yourself.

HOT AND SPICY ARTICHOKE SPINACH DIP

Start to finish: 55 minutes (35 active)
Makes about 4 cups

1 tablespoon olive oil
1 1/2 cups finely chopped yellow onion
1 tablespoon minced garlic
1 3.75-ounce can artichoke hearts, drained
10-ounce box frozen chopped spinach, thawed and squeezed dry
4 ounces Neufchatel (low-fat cream cheese)
1/2 cup low-fat sour cream
2 tablespoons low-fat mayonnaise
1 ounce freshly grated Parmigiano-Reggiano (about 3/4 cup grated using a wand-style grater)
1/2 cup medium chopped mild Peppadew peppers (about 2 ounces), or medium chopped roasted red peppers
1/2 to 1 teaspoon red pepper flakes, or to taste
Kosher salt
Crackers or low-fat pita crisps, to serve
Heat the oven to 375 F. Coat an 8-inch square baking pan with cooking spray.

In a medium skillet over medium-low, heat the oil. Add the onion and saute, covered, stirring occasionally, for 8 minutes. Uncover the pan and continue cooking, stirring occasionally, until the onions are golden brown, about another 5 minutes. Add the garlic and cook, stirring, for 1 minute. Remove the pan from the heat and set aside.

In a food processor, pulse the artichokes until they are medium chopped, then transfer them to the skillet.

In the food processor combine the spinach, cream cheese, sour cream, mayonnaise and half of the Parmigiano-Reggiano, then process until mixed. Add the mixture to the skillet, along with the peppers and pepper flakes. Stir well, then season with salt.

Transfer the mixture to the prepared pan, sprinkle the remaining cheese over the top and bake on the oven's middle shelf for 15 to 20 minutes, or until it is bubbling at the edges. Serve immediately with crackers or low fat pita crisps.

Nutrition information per 1/2 cup: 150 calories; 80 calories from fat (53 percent of total calories); 9 g fat (4 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 20 mg cholesterol; 13 g carbohydrate; 4 g fiber; 2 g sugar; 7 g protein; 540 mg sodium.

HINTS FROM HELOISE

King Features Syndicate

Hint makes food processor clean-up easy

Dear Heloise: Do you have a hint for how to quickly and efficiently clean blenders and food processors? I like using these appliances but don't enjoy taking them apart for cleaning. — Susan W. in Pennsylvania

I'm with you! A blender is easy to clean, but a food processor seems like too much work. Susan, there is an easy hint for cleaning these appliances: After you are done using the blender or processor, rinse the pitcher or bowl with water. Fill half of the pitcher or bowl with warm water and add a drop of dishwashing liquid. Put the lid on securely and turn the appliance back on for 20-30 seconds. Also, it takes only a drop of detergent — don't overdo it. Rinse, dry and that's it. The appliance will be ready for the next time you want to whip up a meal. — Heloise

CLUB WAFFLES

Dear Heloise: Help! Years ago, you printed a waffle recipe using club soda. When I opened the book where I kept the recipe all this time, it wasn't there! Could you please print it again? — Lucille S. in Texas

Lucille, don't worry, because you can enjoy these Heloise Club Waffles again! Gather the following ingredients:

2 cups biscuit mix
1 egg
1/2 cup vegetable oil
1 1/3 cups club soda

In a large bowl, mix together all of the ingredients using a large spoon. Be sure not to overmix, and use the batter immediately so it does not have a chance to go flat.

Get out your waffle iron and start making delicious, fluffy waffles for everyone to enjoy, or freeze for later. — Heloise

OATMEAL HINT

Dear Heloise: I love fresh fruit in my morning oatmeal, especially peaches. Though they may not always be in season, I found a way to have them all year long! I purchase the cups of diced peaches in 100 percent fruit juice and strain the juice from the cup. I then stir the peaches into the oatmeal when it has 30 seconds left in the microwave. So delicious! — Jacki, via email

OMIT THE OVEN MITT

Dear Heloise: After collecting wine corks from a few bottles (real ones, not the plastic kind), just wedge them under the handles of pot lids, using two or more, depending on how many the handle will allow. The corks remain cool throughout cooking, and they create a stable grip by which to grasp your pot lids. No need for oven mitts, which can really crowd the space around the stove! — Abbie in San Antonio

MELTED CHEESE

Dear Heloise: I have the perfect solution for removing melted cheese from plates, eating utensils and glass cookware: Rinse the item in hot water and remove the melted cheese with a wet, clothlike paper towel. The cheese comes right off, sticks to the paper towel, and your dishes are ready for soap. No more cheese stuck to a scrubbing brush or nylon scrubber. — Melissa H., Auburn, Calif.

Big Food uses hunger triggers with no apologies

By Richard A. Marini
San Antonio Express-News

The old Lay's Potato Chip challenge, "Betcha can't eat just one" was not only a testament to the salty-crunchy deliciousness of the chips, it was also an unknowing hat tip to the ingrained human tendency to eat more than is probably good for you, at least in the 21st century.

Ever notice how, even if you're not really hungry, taking a bite of a tasty food — that potato chip, say — triggers something in your brain that suddenly makes it all but impossible to stop eating until either you're uncomfortably full or you reach the bottom of the bag? Scientists believe this trigger is the result of our prehistoric ancestors having to survive in a world without fast food restaurants on every other street corner. During those lucky periods when food was plentiful — after a successful mastodon hunt, for example — they evolved the ability to quickly gorge themselves as a hedge against what was sure to be a coming scarcity.

"We're all wired the same," said Craig "Skip" Julius, who describes himself as a chef with a science background. In his official capacity, he's the culinary solutions manager with Sensient Flavors, an Indianapolis-based company that makes colors, flavors and fragrances for food and other industries. This ability to "eat until you're beat" is just one of a number of human tendencies that food companies exploit to get us to eat more of their products.

Julius' research has led him to identify what he calls the Six Principles of Eating Pleasure — a half dozen ways that humans respond to food that manufacturers employ to tempt us to eat more:

Taste hedonics: These are the flavors that make your mouth water. Think salt, sugar, fat, even monosodium glutamate.

Dynamic contrast: We like contrasts in texture or flavor. Think of the crunchy-saltiness of those potato chips or how a light dusting of salt brings out the sweetness of a baked cookie.

Super normal stimulus: We love energy-dense food that is larger than expected. Think about how TV commercials show large, juicy hamburgers dripping with cheese, bacon and crispy lettuce.

Evoked qualities: Food memories create cravings and fierce loyalty. Think about your abuelita's tamales, or eating a melty ice cream cone during a summer beach vacation.

Energy density: High-calorie foods equal high pleasure, especially those that "melt" in your mouth, tricking the body into believing they are not high in calories. Think cotton candy or Cheetos puffs.

Essential aromas: If it smells good, it will likely taste good. Think brisket on the smoker or bread baking in the oven.

Julius makes no apology for how Big Food uses these and other principles, despite criticism that this is the basis for many of our current health woes, including diabetes, obesity and heart disease. As he said, that's just the way we're wired.

"It comes down to giving people what they want," he said. "If you make something that tastes good, you create a loyal customer. That's free-market capitalism and I don't think there's anything wrong with that."

He does, however, contend that in the United States, there's a lack of respect for the food we eat and compares our attitude negatively to that of Europeans.

"Americans see eating as a task to be checked off a list, while in Europe they see it as an opportunity to sit with people they enjoy, converse and eat a meal," he said. "That's why European meals take two, three hours."

The message is that when we eat deliberately and consciously, we're less likely to be overwhelmed by these food sensations that encourage us to overeat. And then perhaps we may be able to eat just one — or at most no more than a handful or two.

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Athletic looks dominate Milan runways

By Colleen Barry and Jennifer Clark
Associated Press

MILAN — Designers are offering alternate realities for men next winter.

Yes, tailored suits and overcoats, the staples of any wardrobe, have their place on the runways of Milan Fashion Week.

But designers also are recognizing men's need to escape their urban work-a-day worlds and get in touch with nature. They don't go so far as to offer outdoor clothing, per se. But there is more than a smattering of short, hooded parkas worn over suits and with backpacks that suggest some other destination after the office. And many collections incorporate active wear, including athletic trousers, often knit, with elastic or drawstring waistlines and gathered cuffs.

Prada

Miuccia Prada is closing the book on her study of pop culture, choosing a more intimate look at fashion.

Prada set the stage by conjuring European avant-garde theater of the late 1970s and early 1980s. Her materials: sheer and lightweight fabric. Her color scheme was mostly deep tones with purple, rust, teal and browns offset by cream, red and magenta.

The looks themselves had a theatrical appeal — men's leisure suits in deep tones with contrasting piping along the outer seams were accented with silky scarves tied around their neck, instead of ties. Suits were paired with silky collared shirts, or super-sheer knit tops that put in clear evidence the wearer's state of fitness.

Prada couldn't say all she wanted with just men, so she included women also in the show.

They wore paper-light leather dresses gathered at the waist and neckline or long sheer skirts with floor-skimming boas.

Bottega Veneta

Bottega Veneta creative director Tomas Maier's details startle with their subtlety.

The quiet bronze plaid jacket appears to have had its hemline dipped in electric blue dye that gently fades at the edge. An argyle pattern is knitted on a bias. The asymmetrical neckline of a soft pullover hugs a shoulder, giving the effect of one-sided shrug.

Some of the details in the menswear collection for next fall and winter have feminine antecedents, such as a broad scooped neckline on a sweater, but the overall feel of the collection was decidedly masculine, defined by an athletic silhouette.

"The collection is about versatility and ease," Maier said in notes.

Many of the trousers taper to ribbed cuff, mimicking active wear, and worn often with a bomber jacket and heavy shoes. Two tone knit caps tucked under the ears finish the look with a bit of whimsy. Dark neutral colors dominate.

Bottega Veneta started as a leather goods company, and Maier exploits the tradition with a cross-body satchel that is clutched under the arm, as are large shoppers often in the fashion house's trademark weave.

Ferragamo

Italian fashion house Salvatore Ferragamo's menswear collection for fall took traditional male staples such as jean jackets and trench coats and re-worked them in earthy colors blended with just a hint of ethnic or nomadic pattern.

Long wool trench coats in tan were splashed with bands of sesame and chocolate. Jackets and even suits were sprinkled with stripes or patterns lifted from Native American blankets, keeping things interesting. Peacoats and military jackets came in an unexpected pale mint green.

The collection by designer Massimiliano Giornetti made stunning use of leather, as befits a house that began as a shoemaker to the Hollywood stars in the 1920s.

Boots with thick soles and a strap around the ankle came in different color variations, including a deep blue, and looked great with both suits and less formal looks. Short little jean jackets came in leather or pony skin. But for a house that makes its bread and butter from accessories, there were few bags on the runway except for hefty-looking large totes perfect for a weekend getaway.

John Richmond

John Richmond has had skirts in his personal wardrobe since his youth, or as the designer put it, "before everyone started doing it."

In fact, it is a skirt from Richmond's own closet that was worn by a bare-chested male model on the 1984 cover of British magazine The Face, which has earned a place in fashion history.

Notice he doesn't call them kilts. This is no Scottish fetish.

"It is more punk-associated," Richmond said backstage after the premier of his winter 2015 collection, which included knee-length skirts with front pleats layered with a man's suit in matching fabric, a novel variation of the three-piece suit.

Richmond concedes the skirt is not for everyone, but for the few who are willing to give it a go, he doesn't see a risk to their masculinity.

"I don't think that guys look feminine wearing a skirt. They look really cool," he said.

The overall mood of the collection was decidedly masculine, with leather white-on-black bomber jackets, quilted jackets with leather pants, pullover sweatshirts with optical flair and sartorial suits in checks and stripes.

At the end of the show, Richmond's 3-year-old son Lou joined him on the runway for a hug.

Vivienne Westwood

British designer Vivienne Westwood's menswear collection for fall was full of baggy trousers referencing hip hop music, mixed up with environmentalist messages.

There were three versions of the tracksuit, a hip hop favorite: a tight, high tech zip-up in gray, a loose and baggy one accented in black trim, and a full-on gold version with a hood.

Westwood's clothes have strong ties to music, so the nod to hip hop seemed only natural for the women who invented the safety-pin looks that defined punk rock in the 1970s.

Fond of splashing political messages across T-shirts, she sent several models out wearing shirts emblazoned with the words "+ 5 degrees," in reference to global warming.

Her casual looks often featured low-waisted baggy trousers cut off at the knee, paired with a big sweater and oxfords, or a leather jacket, or just a T-shirt and sneakers. A raincoat as thin as tissue paper looked like just the thing to pop into a suitcase before a trip.

Calvin Klein

Calvin Klein's looks for next winter suggest something of a futuristic global adventurer/man of mystery.

His outfits are monochromatic in tones of camel, olive and blue-gray that give the impression the wearer can mimetically conceal himself in any environment: desert, forest or sea.

Loose trousers shimmering in copper and silver are worn with bulky graphic or quilted satin sweatshirts that relay a sense of utility and strength. For outerwear, there's a shiny hooded parka or woolen bomber.

Suits were closely tailored, with tapered cuffs worn over laced boots. Jackets had mildly contrasting lapels, and are worn over button-up shirts, tieless. The mystery comes in with the ample backpacks that require a cross body strap, and the oversized overcoat.

If he is just going to work, why all the gear? What could this apparently mild-mannered traveler with the slicked-back hair really be up to?

Moncler Gamme Bleu

Moncler, the company that glammed up the down jacket, topped off its recent blockbuster stock market debut with a debut of another sort during Milan's menswear shows — it added womenswear to its only-for-men Gamme Bleu fall-winter 2014-2015 line.

Designer Thom Browne has proved adept at Moncler at channeling the rich visual language of sports into city wear for fashionable urbanites. For his Milan Fashion Week preview, he turned a former factory in Milan into a wood-paneled library at a British country estate, and showed a collection that pulled its inspiration from the golf green circa 1920.

The collection was a riff on diamond-print argyle done in every way possible on jackets, pants, socks and even a full-length down skirt (shown on both male and female models). For the less bold, the Moncler gray quilted down jacket, cut like a blazer, ornamented with a stitched argyle pattern, will probably be enough to recall the summer greens.

Moncler pulled off Europe's most successful IPO last year when its shares rose nearly 50 percent on their first day of trading. Moncler showed it is serious about continuing to broaden its product line.

Angelo Galasso

London-based Italian designer Angelo Galasso is bullish on Milan.

Galasso sees so much potential in Milan's retail market that he is moving his store this winter, tripling its size just 2 1/2 years after opening in Milan and five years after launching the eponymous brand. While most shoppers at Galasso's Milan store are foreign tourists, the designer said his Italian clientele is growing and often spends in equal measure to his foreign followers.

"Italians are tired, and it is not just because the economy is not doing well, but also of their wardrobes," Galasso said. He senses Italian men are ready to burst beyond the classic blazer and find less repetitive looks.

Galasso's collection for next winter includes tailored jackets with wide lapels made from printed tie fabric or velvet, and worn with ripped jeans — giving both a dandy and a 1970s vibe.

Phillip Plein

German designer Philipp Plein called his fall-winter 2014-2015 menswear collection "Noir Cowboy."

The show started off with a bang with a real-life rodeo show complete with a bucking bronco. Overwhelmingly black, both matte and shiny, the only splashes of color in the entire collection were in the red checked shirts or the fringed scarves.

Versace also mined the western theme for its menswear show, but Plein's take was more decadent and luxurious.

Plein's collection made expert use of animal skins ranging from leather all the way through to crocodile and snakeskin. A buffalo skull motif was worked onto T-shirts and on cashmere blankets thrown across the torso and belted. Some of the jackets featured snakeskin lapels with Swarovski micro studs. That's some sharp cowboy.

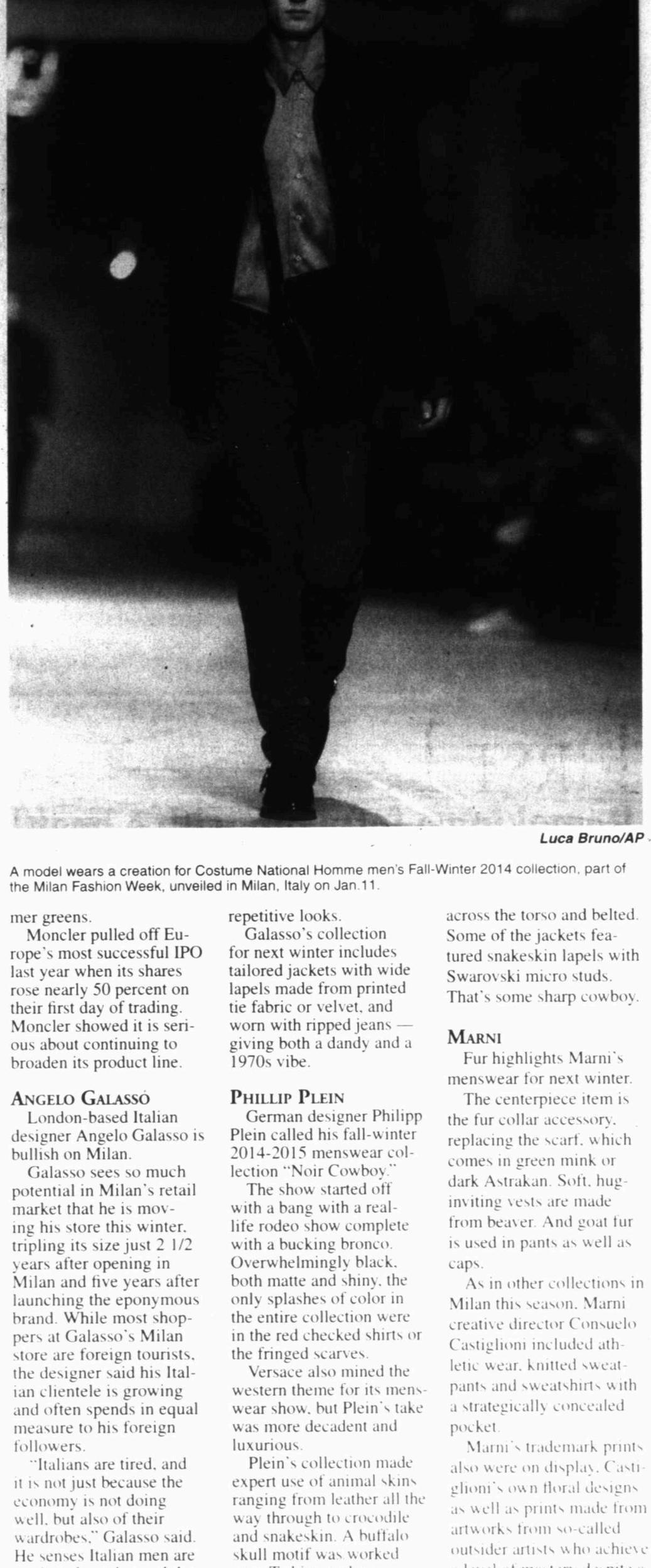
Marni

Fur highlights Marni's menswear for next winter.

The centerpiece item is the fur collar accessory, replacing the scarf, which comes in green mink or dark Astrakan. Soft, hug-inviting vests are made from beaver. And goat fur is used in pants as well as caps.

As in other collections in Milan this season, Marni creative director Consuelo Castiglioni included athletic wear, knitted sweatpants and sweatshirts with a strategically concealed pocket.

Marni's trademark prints also were on display. Castiglioni's own floral designs as well as prints made from artworks from so-called outsider artists who achieve a level of mastery despite a lack of formal training.



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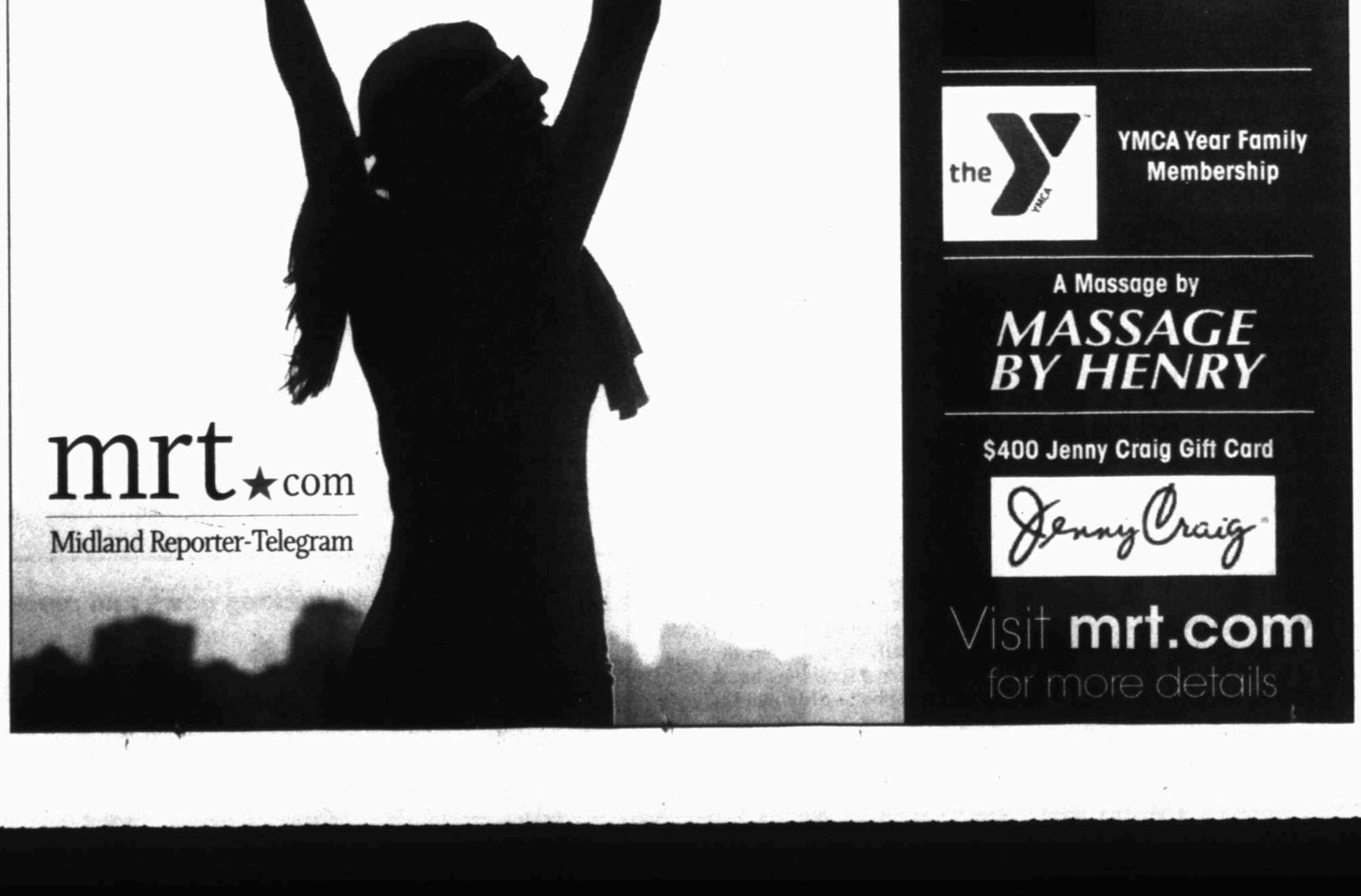
A model wears a creation for Costume National Homme men's Fall-Winter 2014 collection, part of the Milan Fashion Week, unveiled in Milan, Italy on Jan.11.



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President Barack Obama bows as he and first lady Michelle Obama, wearing a ruby-colored chiffon and velvet Jason Wu gown, get ready to dance at the Inaugural Ball at the Washington Convention Center during the 57th Presidential Inauguration in Washington in this 2013 file photo.

Cliff Owen/AP

A photographer takes photos of first lady Michelle Obama's second inaugural gown, on display at the Smithsonian Museum of American History in Washington, Tuesday. The White House is lending Obama's ruby-colored chiffon gown made by designer Jason Wu to the National Museum of American History for a year to coincide with the 100th anniversary of the Smithsonian's first ladies exhibition.

FIRST LADIES *exhibition*

Michelle Obama's 2nd gown lent to Smithsonian

By Brett Zongker
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Michelle Obama's fashion is making history again, at least for the next year, as her second inaugural gown will be displayed at the Smithsonian Institution.

Before it's stowed away for a future presidential library, Obama's ruby-colored chiffon gown made by designer Jason Wu is being lent to the National Museum of American History for a year to coincide with the 100th anniversary of the Smithsonian's "First Ladies" exhibition. The dress will be paired with Obama's shoes designed by Jimmy Choo.

While the Smithsonian traditionally collects each first lady's first inaugural gown, second gowns are usually shown only in presidential libraries. This is the first time the museum has displayed a second inaugural gown.

The dress was transferred to the National Archives but is being lent to the Smithsonian with the White House's blessing. Lisa Kathleen Graddy, the Smithsonian's curator of women's political history, said it seemed like a nice time to start a new tradition in the ever-evolving "First Ladies at the Smithsonian" exhibit for those who serve two terms in the White House.

"The more I started thinking about it, it's such a long time before the presidential library is built," she said. "There's such interest in the dress, I thought maybe it would be interesting if we could borrow the dress and do a special display ... so that people would get a chance to see it."

This dress drew headlines when Obama unveiled her selection one year ago. It was the second custom-made Jason Wu gown Obama had chosen, following the white gown Wu designed for the first lady when she arrived in Washington and on the fashion scene. Since then, Obama has become a trendsetter.

The red gown is embellished with cut velvet that carries a unique shimmer, Graddy said. It features a cross-halter strap neckline adorned with small diamonds.

"It's certainly a change, isn't it, from the white dress with the train," Graddy said, recalling Obama's first gown in the museum's collection. "It's this amazing, vivid red. No train. So it's a much slimmer dress — still flowing — but a much slimmer-lined dress. It's an incredible change of color from that beautiful sparkly white."

It's unusual for a first lady to use the same designer twice, at least in recent decades. Wu has said it's been the experience of his life to help dress the first lady, taking him from fashion insider to a household name since the first inauguration in 2009. Mrs. Obama also has turned to designer Thom Browne for special outfits, including her coat and dress for inauguration day in 2013.

Even her outfits from J. Crew draw notice, and some of Obama's apparel choices sell out quickly online. For 2014, Pantone Inc.'s color of the year — orchid, a shade of purple — was introduced with a nod to the fact it's a color Mrs. Obama often wears. Pantone sets color standards for the design industry.

From time to time, the people want to copy the fashion of a first lady, Graddy said, noting Jacqueline Kennedy as an example.

"People look at what she is wearing. They admire it," she said of Obama. "I don't think that fashion is Michelle Obama's first priority. I think that obviously she's interested in what she wears, and she puts a lot of thought into it — and that's what people see and respond to is a very put-together look that they would like to emulate."

The Jimmy Choo shoes paired with Obama's second gown had a much shorter heel, seemingly more comfortable than her heels for the first inaugural, Graddy said. The first lady knew how long she would be on her feet for the second inaugural.

The Obama gown is a centerpiece for the exhibit that examines the role of the first lady, her political and cultural significance and what she wears. Obama's first inaugural gown will return to display in January 2015. In future years, the exhibit may evolve to show the changing role of the first lady as it changes with the presidency.

"Certainly, when a woman is president, how the function that is performed by first lady, how that is filled," she said. "It may be that in future years if a woman is president, if her husband does not fulfill this role, maybe her daughter does, maybe her mother does, maybe it's a role that becomes professionalized."

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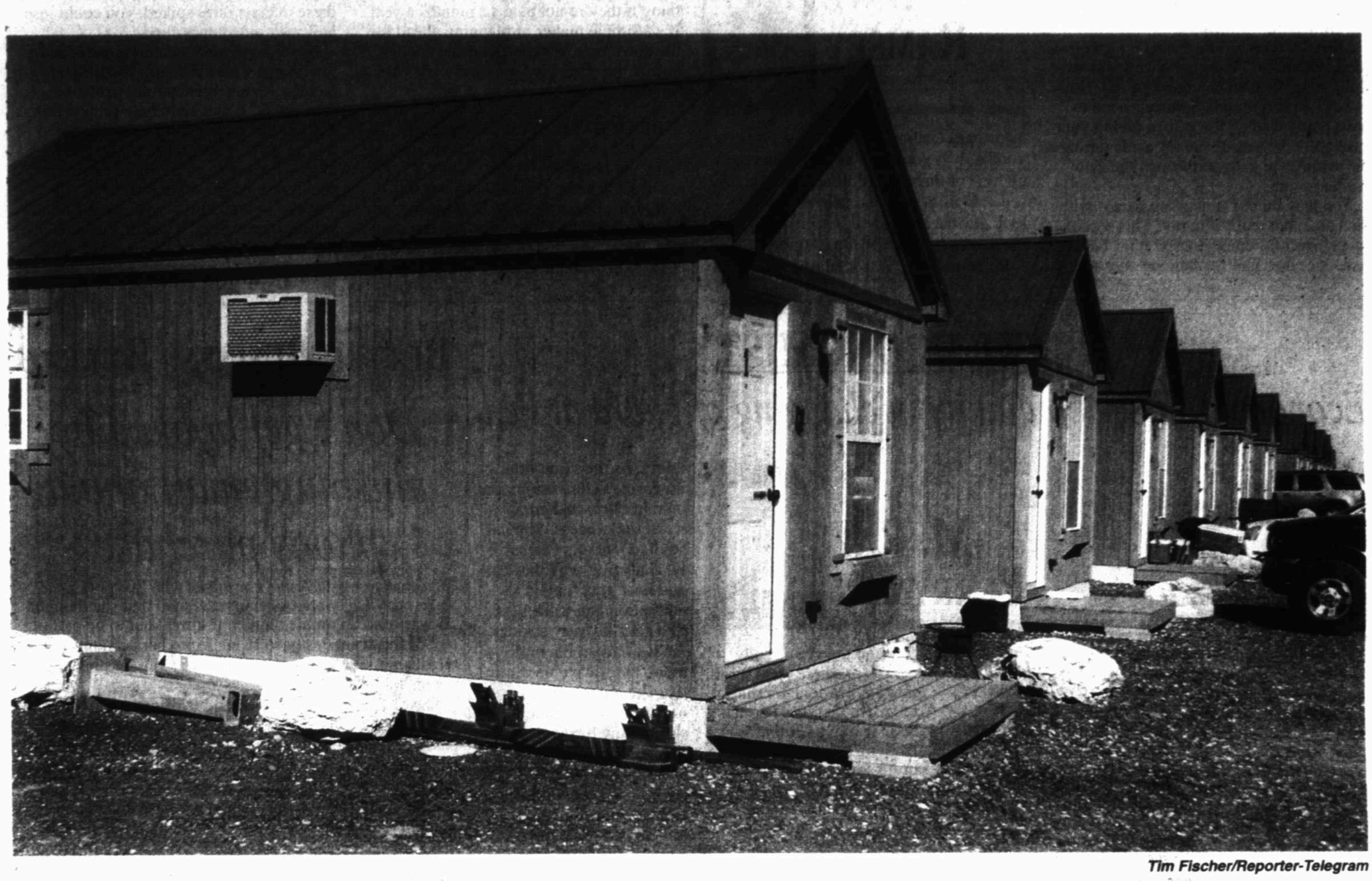

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NAMES IN THE NEWS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Devon on Fortune's best workplace list for seventh straight year

MIDLAND — Devon Energy, a very active presence in the Permian Basin, has again been named to Fortune magazine's list of the 100 Best Companies to Work For. This marks Devon's seventh straight year to be included on Fortune's prestigious list.

"We have always believed the strength of our company originates with the people who work here," said Shannon Moss, Devon's production superintendent. "Our presence on the Fortune list continues to be a great honor in which we all take an enormous amount of pride. But more importantly, it affirms the quality of our corporate culture, the values of our organization and the foundation of our business."

Devon's rank on the Fortune list was based in part on a random, anonymous survey of employees conducted by the Great Place to Work Institute. The survey found that employees find Devon to be a safe and healthy place to work with strong leadership and trust among employees, a sharp focus on performance, a good work/life balance and strong commitment to community involvement.

Devon's inclusion on the Best Companies list, this year at No. 56, further distinguishes the company among potential employees. As Devon develops emerging oil and natural gas plays and focuses on increasing production, the company is hiring experienced engineers and geologists to tackle new challenges and manage these areas.

Devon has nearly 6,000 employees, including about 3,600 in the U.S.

Finalists named for 2013 oil & gas awards

With an unprecedented number of entries — double the number from last year — received for the Oil & Gas Awards this year, the organizers haved announce the finalist companies selected by the judges as best in class for the second annual Rocky Mountain, Gulf Coast and Northeast Oil & Gas Awards.

The winners will be announced at the awards gala ceremonies in March. The organizers will also hold a "Conference for Excellence" during the day of the gala dinners.

The Oil & Gas Awards were launched in 2012 by Daniel Creasey, Oliver Bridgen and Marc Bridgen to showcase industry efforts to improve in areas of public interest. The awards focus on publicizing the great gains being made by upstream and midstream companies in the key areas of corporate social responsibility, the environment and health and safety.

Cabins offer alternative to hotels

By Audrie Palmer

Special to the Reporter-Telegram

With so many workers coming to the Permian Basin from out of town for jobs, many are looking to get out of the standard hotel rooms and find something more relaxing to stay in.

For owner Frank Bass, building Horseshoe Lodges, individual lodging cabins off of Interstate 20, was something he felt he could offer to those workers.

"In our experience, people are more comfortable if they're working out of town and staying in the cabins rather than a hotel because it feels more like home," he said.

Based out of the New Braunfels area, the mom and pop business already operates several successful cabin lodges in the Eagle Ford Shale area. Bass said he came to Midland last fall and realized "there wasn't anything in the Permian Basin like we had in the Eagle Ford area.

"We noticed Midland was lacking a particular type of accommodation like this," he said about the business endeavor.

Information

HORSESHOE LODGES

For more information or to make a reservation, call 432-202-2880 or visit the Horseshoe Lodges website at www.horseshoelodges.com.

He opened Horseshoe Lodges in Midland at 8005 East Interstate 20, about a mile outside of the city limits, on Nov. 1 with 13 300-square-foot cabins. He said they have been booked since, with all having been pre-booked before they even had electricity hooked up last fall.

On Feb. 1, he'll open an additional 12 units with plans to add another 20-30 cabins this year if there is a demand. Horseshoe Lodges sits on 10 acres of property with several acres devoted to parking, for those with larger trucks needing space. The ample parking, Bass said, is also another draw for those staying on the premises, as well, because they can park right next to their cabins and do not need to haul items or luggage from a parking lot.

The cabins each have kitchenettes, porches and are equipped with either two twin-sized beds or one queen-sized bed. Free laundry services and continental breakfasts are offered to guests and the cost to stay averages less than a hotel room, at $80 a night for one person or $40 a night each for two sharing a room, based on a monthly basis, Bass said.

The cabins are rented with a 30-day minimum and the all-inclusive price each month means that there are no hidden fees, Bass said.

Each suite is outfitted with free Wi-Fi access, a 40-inch flat screen HD television and free cable as well as a stove, microwave and refrigerator in the kitchenette.

The cabins are all brand new and are durable wood cabins with a pine interior and wood floors, giving it a homey and rustic, Old West feel. In Midland, Bass said the majority of those renting out the units work in the oilfield or support services while in the Eagle Ford area, he has several larger units on site where families have even moved in. As demand develops, Bass said he'll see what they need and may even move larger units to the grounds in Midland as well.

For those staying on the property, Bass said, he's heard only good things about the facility and that many love it because of the home-like feel to the lodges. With outdoor porches and yards surrounding each of the cabins, many can have barbecues or simply watch the prairie dogs, he said.

Instead of being downtown cramped in a hotel room, the cabins offer a nice, quiet and relaxing atmosphere to those staying on the property.

"They're much nicer, but it's just like being in the same thing as a La Quinta except it's like a house," Bass said.

Roberts Truck Center now part of Summit Holdings

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Roberts Truck Center, which has a location in Midland at 10101 W. Interstate 20 offering new and used commercial trucks, truck service and parts, will soon be known by a new name.

Roberts Truck Center and Diamond Companies, a privately owned corporation operating Diamond International, Diamond Idealease and Diamond State Bus Company, are merging into the new Summit Holdings, which will do business as Summit Truck Group, Summit Bus and Summit Lease & Rental.

The Midland location has represented the International and Crane Carrier products as well as Kenworth, Volvo and Mack, carrying cab and chassis, passenger buses, day cabs, conventional trucks and more. Leases through Idealease are available. The service department is qualified to perform warranty work for International and Isuzu products as well as Cummins engines, Caterpillar engines, Allison Transmissions, and more and carries an extensive parts inventory for all makes and models.

In announcing the new name, the three partners, Richard Sweebe, Blaine Roberts and Blair Roberts, said, "We are a new company with a proud 72-year combined history of serving the commercial truck and bus industries. Our new name embodies the strong reputation we have built in the markets we serve. Summit will continue to grow and deliver a higher standard of value to our customers because of our dedicated and talented employees and our commitment to integrity, service and quality in all that we do."

Annual revenues for Summit Holdings is expected to approach $1 billion.

Summit Holdings is a privately held company that does business as Summit Truck Group, Summit Bus and Summit Lease & Rental. The company operates 29 commercial truck and bus dealerships in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Tennessee and Texas.

Diamond Companies consists of 16 locations across four states with more than 600 employees in Tennessee, Arkansas, Missouri and Kansas.

The Supercuts at 2215 N. Midland Drive is celebrating 30 years in business in the Tall City.

The salon is owned and operated by Supercuts franchisee Linda Leyerle and has been a part of the business community since opening in 1984. Leyerle has continually hired local staff and stylists.

The Supercuts in Midland is one of more than 2,200 Supercuts across the country, and system-wide, specially trained stylists of the iconic brand cut more than 33 million heads of hair a year. In Midland, services include adult and children/senior haircuts as well as styling, hair coloring and facial waxing.

Hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday. Walk-ins are welcome or appointments are available by calling the salon at 689-9927.

A squirrel fund is designed for slow times, not emergencies

DAVE RAMSEY

DEAR DAVE: My husband works construction, so we barely scrape by during the winter months. Should we build an emergency fund for the slow times? — Cathy

DEAR CATHY: I think that's a great idea. Although, I'd probably call it something other than an emergency fund. How about a squirrel fund? Squirrels need to have nuts saved up for winter, and in your case you'd be setting money aside during the summer to get you through the slow winter months.

You may think I'm playing games with the name, but really I'm not. This sort of saving isn't for emergencies. It's a budget issue, because you're planning and setting aside cash leading up to the down time you know is coming. Keep your emergency fund of three to six months of expenses separate from this, and take a careful look at what he made this winter and how much that left you short each month.

Remember, we're not talking about some random amount of money here. It's an exact amount that you can budget for accordingly. Teachers can do the same thing if they're not paid 12 months a year. It's a simple matter of planning ahead for the down time, and setting aside enough during the other nine months to see you through!

DEAR DAVE: What do you think about the idea of putting your emergency fund into bonds? — Ryan

DEAR RYAN: I think that's a really bad idea, and here's why. Bond values and prices go down as long-term interest rates rise. Right now, long-term interest rates — a good example would be mortgage rates — are ticking up. They've moved up a quarter of a percent recently. So, as this happens, the value of bonds goes down. If these interest rates spiked, you could lose half your emergency fund.

Never, ever put your emergency fund into things where risk and volatility are factors. An emergency fund isn't an investment. It's there to help protect things that are investments and your life. Keep it in something safe and simple, like a money market account where there's no penalty for early withdrawal.

We're not looking to make money with an emergency fund, Ryan. It's insurance. Just let it sit there, safe and sound, until it's needed.

THE ECONOMIST

Economy will see continuity in changing of guard at Fed

M. RAY PERRYMAN

As you have no doubt heard, Janet Yellen has been confirmed as the new chairwomabn of the Federal Reserve System (Fed). She replaces Ben Bernanke, who will step down at the end of this month. The Fed chair plays an important role in economic growth, influencing monetary policy (and, thus, interest rates, inflation and ultimately economic growth). Yellen is an excellent choice for the position.

Ben Bernanke took over the role of chairman from Alan Greenspan (who held the post for almost two decades) in 2006. At that time, the economy looked to be relatively stable. However, as we all know, there was a storm brewing and Bernanke had to guide the ship of the U.S. economy through some very troubled waters. By early 2010, almost 9 million Americans had lost their jobs, the U.S. real estate market had imploded, and most nations of the world were facing financial crises.

As chairman of the Federal Reserve, Bernanke pulled out all of the stops to try to control the damage and return the economy to growth in the wake of Congressional paralysis, with round after round of quantitative easing (QE). This quantitative easing (through the purchase of tens of millions in various types of bonds every month) has left the Federal Reserve with a multi-trillion-dollar balance sheet. As a result of this inflow of funds into the marketplace, interest rates have been near zero for a long time, encouraging investment and thereby economic recovery.

Although a tentative timeline and framework for exiting the QE program are in place, Yellen takes over the job dealing with the end of the Fed's bond-buying program and communicating policy going forward. She will also have to contend with undesirably high rates of joblessness and a particular problem with long-term unemployment. The economy has been expanding, but there is still too much uncertainty for the recovery to gain enough momentum to stimulate sufficient hiring. Also noteworthy is that many of the most powerful tools available to the Federal Reserve have already been used, and further use is unlikely to be as effective. Since the point of quantitative easing is to keep interest rates low and they're already near zero, there's not a lot that can be done on that score. In fact, the Fed has been trying to pull arrows from an empty quiver for quite some time.

Running the Fed is an extremely challenging position even at the best of times, and 2014 is likely to be nowhere near "best." Fortunately for all of us, it would be difficult to find an individual more prepared to take over the Federal Reserve, particularly given the current situation, than Janet Yellen. She has decades of Fed experience, and has been serving as vice chairman. She was involved in the development of the QE programs, and is extremely familiar with every facet of the program, its rationale, and its potential consequences if left in place too long. Her educational and academic background is also strong, leaving her well equipped to appreciate the complexities and nuances of modern monetary policy.

It's good to have some continuity, because the last thing the economy needs is yet more uncertainty. At the same time, however, Yellen brings her own intelleøt and creativity to the process. She has studied markets extensively, analyzing why they fail and how government intervention can work best. She also has very strong feelings about unemployment, and I have no doubt that she will be unceasing in her commitment to stimulating hiring.

As a math-minded economist, I appreciate Yellen's tendency to be highly analytical and driven by data. She was one of the early voices warning that the housing bubble could be a big problem and that the recovery would likely be slow. To her credit, she never forgets that economic statistics are a compilation of the challenges facing real people. This blend, together with her strengths in skills similar to those needed by any chief executive, will certainly enhance her effectiveness.

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MARKET WATCH

At some point stocks will pull back just like weather will warm up

SCOTT WREN

Wells Fargo

We are past the holiday season and have moved into the New Year with record-low temperatures descending upon a huge portion of the United States thanks to our friends at the North Pole. OK, well, actually thanks to the "polar vortex" and a dip in the jet stream. But the stock market is still warm and toasty and hovers near all-time highs.

The climb in equity prices has been relentless, especially over the last few months, with nary a pullback in sight. The New Year has brought high levels of investor optimism with bullish sentiment far outweighing those more bearish about the stock market's nearer-term future. Oftentimes a reliable contrarian indicator, the mood of investors at extremes is worth watching. And according to some surveys, the current mood could be considered extreme.

But this strategist does not detect a large number of investors jumping in and "chasing" the market higher, worried they will miss the next big up move. Sure, money has flowed into stocks over the last year, but it has not been a massive migration. And many bond funds saw outflows in the past year as well. But there does not appear to be much of a link between bond outflows and stock inflows. The "great rotation" many pundits have talked about for the last couple of years still is not happening in any meaningful way. Investors bullish on the stock market do not seem to be putting their money where their mouth is. Not yet anyway.

Sentiment usually does climb with the market, eventually. However, it is typically more of a coincident indicator.

Investors start to feel better about the stock market simply because it keeps going up. In the early stages of a rally, however, investors are still reeling from a period of weaker markets and are not all that enthused to jump onboard and buy stocks. They need some convincing. After nearly five years and one of the strongest rallies in more than a generation, we would expect to see broader investor participation in the coming year.

High levels of bullish sentiment and a bit more willingness to buy into the market doesn't necessarily mean the rally's end is near. But it could mean stocks are due for at least a timeout or a minor pullback. Our expectation that volatility would increase last fall really did not pan out. It turned out to be pretty much of a one-way street with little back and forth trading. The only real opportunity was to jump onboard and enjoy the ride.

At some point, stocks will pull back. And at some point, the weather will warm up. But don't hold your breath. The timing on both is unpredictable. Our outlook over the next 12-24 months remains positive. Valuations are not stretched. Stay invested, and let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!

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BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU

Don't get hooked by phishing email about phony purchase

I recently heard about a consumer who just got extremely lucky after opening an email that she thought was from an online retailer. It turned out to be part of a phishing scam designed to hack into her account. Better Business Bureau has warned about similar phishing emails in the past.

She clicked a link in the email "verifying a purchase" she knew she didn't make. She was about to enter her password, but couldn't remember it and couldn't find the piece of paper where she jotted it down. So, she went to retailer's website and got a new password — and found out there had been no unauthorized transactions on her account.

If she had entered her password, she would have given access to her account. They could have purchased products and gotten her credit card number and other personal information. Clicking that link also could have infected her computer with malware. Luckily that didn't happen either.

This is a pretty common phishing scam that takes advantage of consumers' concerns about online security and actually creates the security threat.

Bottom line: If you are at all suspicious that an email might not be from the source it claims to be, do not click the link in the email. Go directly to the site and enter your password there. Clicking the link in the email could infect your computer with malware even if you don't enter any information.

BBB offers the following advice to avoid being tricked by phishing scams:

- Click with caution. Only open emails, attachments and links from people you know. Use anti-virus software regularly and enhance email filters to block threats. Watch out for unsolicited emails that contain misspellings or grammatical errors.
- Don't believe what you see. It's easy to steal the colors, logos and headers of an established organization. Hover over any links to see where they lead. Malicious emails may look identical to legitimate websites, but come from a different sender.
- Safeguard your information. Don't reveal personal or financial information in an email, and do not respond to email solicitations for this information. Be wary of any urgent instructions to take specified action such as "Click on the link or your account will be closed."
- Verify email requests. If you are unsure whether an email request is legitimate, contact the company directly using information provided on an account statement, not information provided in an email.
- Keep software updates current. Having the latest operating system, software, web browsers, anti-virus protection and apps are the best defenses against viruses, malware and other online threats.
- If you did get tricked, change your password and credit card info. If you think you've entered your password on a malicious website, change your password for the real site immediately. If you entered credit card information on a malicious site or sent the information in a reply email, immediately contact your credit card company and update your credit card information with the online retailer afterward.
- If you don't already have one, install a good anti-virus program and run a full scan on your computer to catch any malware that may have been downloaded.

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For each of the three words below, change one letter to an A, and then rearrange the letters to spell a word that has three A s.

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Yesterday's Answer:

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Major change unlikely despite open-Internet ruling

By Anick Jesdanun
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NEW YORK — Don't expect major changes to how you access your favorite websites and services despite a federal appeals court's decision to set aside rules meant to ensure equal access to entertainment, news and other online content.

Major cable providers already have pledged not to do the kinds of things the rules were designed to ban. And the rules didn't apply fully to wireless providers anyway, even as Americans are increasingly using mobile devices to access Internet content.

Under so-called net neutrality rules adopted in 2010 by the Federal Communications Commission, wired broadband providers such as Comcast, Time Warner Cable and Verizon were barred from prioritizing some types of Internet traffic over others. That means a cable company couldn't hinder access to Hulu and other Internet video services, even though they compete with the company's own TV services. Under some interpretations, a broadband provider also couldn't charge services such as YouTube and Facebook for preferential treatment, such that users could reach those services faster than those who don't pay.

The anti-discrimination and anti-blocking rules were designed to preserve an open Internet and ensure that startups and nonprofits had as much of a chance to reach an audience online as established companies such as Google.

Broadband providers had flexibility to deal with congestion and unwanted traffic, such as spam, but their traffic-management policies had to be disclosed. Otherwise, providers must ensure access to all legal online content, applications and services over their wired networks.

On Tuesday, a three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit affirmed that the FCC had authority to create open-access rules. But in a setback for the Obama administration's goal of Internet openness, the court ruled that the FCC failed to establish that its 2010 regulations don't overreach.

The judges said those regulations treated all Internet service providers as common carriers — a general term for airlines, utilities and other transporters of people or goods for the general public on regular routes at set rates. But the court said the FCC itself already had classified broadband providers as exempt from treatment as common carriers, which set up a legal contradiction.

The decision empowers leading Internet providers to decide which Internet services — such as Netflix movies, YouTube videos and news stories — they would allow consumers to access over their networks. In some cases, Internet providers can demand that Google, for example, pay them to ensure that YouTube videos are accessible to all their consumers, or Google could pay extra to ensure that YouTube videos are delivered faster.

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler said the commission will now consider its options, including an appeal, to ensure that networks on which the Internet depends provide a free and open platform.

The FCC also could draft new rules, or Congress could change the 1996 telecommunications law that gave the commission different authority depending on whether a company was a common carrier or not.

Even if the ruling stands, the effect on wired broadband access is expected to be minimal.

Concerns about discrimination grew in 2007 after The Associated Press ran tests and reported that Comcast Corp. was interfering with attempts by some subscribers to share files online through a service called BitTorrent. Although Comcast said it did so because BitTorrent was clogging its networks, public interest groups grew worried that broadband providers were becoming gatekeepers of online content. After all, the files exchanged through BitTorrent included video, something that threatens Comcast's cable TV business.

Comcast's actions drew rebuke from the FCC and a pledge by all of the major broadband providers including Comcast not to discriminate. The 2010 rules were meant to ensure that such open access continued. Still, critics worried that restrictions on how providers manage their networks would discourage investments.

Verizon, which filed the case against the FCC, said Tuesday's court decision "will not change consumers' ability to access and use the Internet as they do now."

It said the decision "will allow more room for innovation, and consumers will have more choices to determine for themselves how they access and experience the Internet. Verizon has been and remains committed to the open Internet."

Wireless is where there's less certainty.

The 2010 rules barred Verizon and other wireless carriers from blocking competing services, such as Internet calling applications and websites run by rivals. They also had to allow access to all legal websites though a phone's Web browser, regardless of whether they are competitors.

But carriers were allowed to block stand-alone apps — a common way of accessing services on mobile devices — as long as the apps didn't directly compete with them. The rules also gave wireless carriers more leeway to manage data traffic because there's less capacity over the airwaves.

BUILDING PERMITS

Building Permits Jan. 6-Jan. 10

222 E. Circle Drive	Fence	$4,000
1211 Cerrillos Ave.	New Residence	$168,500
1217 Conquistador Ct	New Residence	$142,830
1113 Cerrillos Ave.	New Residence	$142,830
1213 Conquistador Ct	New Residence	$161,100
1206 Cerrillos Ave.	New Residence	$142,830
1207 Cerrillos Ave.	New Residence	$161,100
942 N. Dallas St.	Residential Addition	$900
1300 Cotton Flat Road	Residential Alteration	$8,000
1108 W. New Jersey	MH-Single Lot	$42,928
5707 Camino Reale	New Residence	$203,670
5711 Camino Reale	New Residence	$199,080
5709 Camino Reale	New Residence	$200,250
1312 S. Mineola St.	Residential Addition	$1,500
3408 Meadowridge Lane	Swimming Pool	$16,400
1800 E. Pecan Ave.	New Residence	$125,000
1502 N. Main St.	Residential Addition	$81,360
1200 E. Pennsylvania	New Residence	$79,596
1510 Casa Grande Trail	New Residence	$230,000
601 Memorial Court	New Residence	$187,000
606 Memorial Court	New Residence	$136,000
604 Memorial Court	New Residence	$145,000
600 Memorial Court	New Residence	$213,000
603 Memorial Court	New Residence	$213,000
2804 Parton Way	New Residence	$223,560
518 Coliseum Court	New Residence	$182,000
602 Memorial Court	New Residence	$159,000
521 Coliseum Court	New Residence	$182,000
1314 E. Golf Course Rd	Residential Addition	$50,000
4506 Cimmaron Ave.	Residential Alteration	$25,000
4325 Douglas Ave.	Residential Addition	$30,000
1606 Navajo	Residence-Detached	$7,000
5813 Rio Grande Ave.	New Residence	$158,670
5800 Sabine Drive	New Residence	$207,360
5811 Rio Grande Ave.	New Residence	$185,490
610 E. Florida Ave.	Commercial Alteration	$31,500
3501 Roosevelt Ave.	Residence-Detached	$2,000
4109 N. Midland Drive	Commercial Addition	$1,000,000
108 E. Pecan Ave.	Residential Addition	$15,000
602 W. Cuthbert Ave.	Residential Alteration	$20,000
1809 E. Front St.	Commercial Alteration	$5,000

Source: City of Midland

SUNDAY MORNING — JANUARY 19, 2014

For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

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BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	In Touch Ministries		GMA/Sunday		The Truth	House	J.Jones	This Week (N)		Church	Paid	Paid
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Paid	Paid	Paid	M. Lyon	CBS Sunday Morning			FaceNat.	First Baptist Church		First Baptist Odessa	
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Kingdom	In Search	Tomorr.	In Touch Ministries		Key David	Paid	Paid	Animal	Stanton	Live Life	Hollywd.
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Consumer	W.Minist	F.Hardin	Consumer	Fox News Sunday		Odessa	FaithAve	Rain	J.Jones	Consumer	Consumer
	KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	(5:00) Southwest		Walking	LifeBynd	In Touch Ministries		Zion	Day Disc.	DoorwaytoWisdom		Nueva Vida	
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Havas	Secrets	Mercury	Mercury	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press		First Baptist Church		W.America	Hockey
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	C.George	Cat/ Hat	Peg + Cat	DinoTrain	D.Tiger	SuperWI	Sid	Wild K.	Arthur	SciGirls	WordGirl	Company
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Pagado	Pagado	Para volver a amar		La hora pico		Al punto		Republica deportiva			Fútbol
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		JTV	JTV Direct	Bob Vila	Homeown.	Greerr	Hazelton	O.House	HomeT.	Bucket	Game	Supercross	
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	65		165		(5:30) All Night Lo...		★★★ Miss Firecracker			(:45) ★★★ Enduring Love Daniel Craig.				★★★ Darkman Liam Neeson.		
	HBO	300	68	14	14		(:15) ★★ Taxi ('04, Com) Queen Latifah.				Boxing HBO After Dark				Making	★ Date Movie		
	HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Movie	(:45) Dodgeball: A True Unde...			(:20) ★★ Fever Pitch Drew Barrymore.				(:10) ★★★ The Hurricane			
	HBOS	304	70	16	102		(5:15) Because of ...		(:05) Jane Eyre ('11, Dra) Mia Wasikowska.				(:05) Anna Karenina Keira Knightley.				(:20) Presumed ...	
	MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:30) My Favorite...		(:05) ★★ Prometheus Noomi Rapace.				(:10) A Good Day to Die Hard			(:50) ★ Turbulence Ray Liotta.		
	MAX2	382	72	18	122		(5:50) ★★ Ride With the Devil Skeet Ulrich.				(:10) ★★★ Rushmore			(:45) ★★ Magic Mike Channing Tatum.				Movie
	PLEX			96			Movie	(:35) ★★ Deeply Kirsten Dunst.			(:20) ★★★ Pharaoh's Army Chris Cooper.				★★★ Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story			
	SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(5:00) Wicker Park		Inside the NFL		60 Minutes Sports		★★★★ Dead Poets Society				(:15) The Twiligh...	
	TMC	336	67	22	155	26	Movie	(:40) The Devil and Daniel Webster				★★★ Stakeout ('87, Cri) Richard Dreyfuss.				★★ Cool Runnings		
CABLE	A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Crim. Minds "Hit" 1/2		Criminal Mind "Run"		Criminal Minds		★★ Liar Liar ('97, Com) Jim Carrey.				★★★ Goodfellas	
	AMC	40	21	23	42	51	Mad Men		Mad Men		★★ Along Came Polly Ben Stiller.				★★★ Titanic Leonardo DiCaprio.			
	BET	58	26		40		(5:00) BET Inspiration				Jones Gospel (N)		Lift Voice	★★★ Gifted Hands: The Ben Carson Story				
	BRAVO	65	63		41		Top Chef		Top Chef		100 Days of Summer		Shahs of Sunset		Shahs of Sunset		Vanderpump Rules	
	CNBC	46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
	CNN	43	24	51	30	56	NewDay	Sanjay	New Day		State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources		State of the Union	
	DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Gold Rush		Bering Sea Gold		Hawaii	Hawaii	Hawaii	Hawaii
	DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	M.Mouse	McStuffins	Jake	Sofia 1st	Dog Blog	Austin	Austin	A.N.T.	Liv/Mad	I Didn't	Jessie	Jessie
	ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter						NFL Countdown (L)	
	ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	NFL Films	MatchUp	OLines	Report	Colin's Football (L)		Colin's Football		ITF Tennis Australian Open			
	FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	The Fosters		★★★ Jerry Maguire ('96, Rom) Cuba Gooding Jr., Tom Cruise.						★★★ A League of Their Own			
	FNC	45	58	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday						News HQ	Housecall	Media Buzz		America's News HQ	
	FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Barefoot	Giada	Table	Southern	Pioneer	InTheBag	Big Bite	King (N)	Giada (N)	Barefoot	The Kitchen	
	FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Fishing	Outdoors	Champio. "Football"		Paid	Paid	Champio. "Football"		E. Games	Dodgeb.	NCAA Basketball	
	FX	31	31	59	64	69	Buffy "Triangle"		★★ Eagle Eye ('08, Act) Shia LaBeouf.					★★★ Iron Man ('08, Act) Robert Downey Jr.				
	HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Lucy	I Love Lucy	Lucy	Lucy	BradyB.	BradyB.	BradyB.	BradyB.	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
	HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	My Place	My Place	My Place	My Place	My Place	My Place	My Place	My Place	Property Brothers		Love It or List It	
	HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	God, Gun	God, Guns	God, Gun	God, Gun	God, Gun	God, Gun	God, Gun	God, Gun	Extreme Marksmen			
	LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	In Touch Ministries		Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid	Kim of Queens		Kim of Queens		Under the Gunn	
	MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball	Business	Up With Steve Kornacki				Melissa Harris-Perry				Weekends-Alex Witt	
	NBCSN	38	39				(5:00) Match of Day		Live	EPL Soccer Tottenham vs Swansea (L)				Live	EPL Soccer Manchester United vs. Chelsea (L)			
	NICK	55	34	39	34	37	T.U.F.F.	KungFu P	Mega	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Ninja	Sponge	Sam & Cat	
	SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program		Power	Power	Power	Power	Auction	Bar Rescue		Bar Res.
	SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Being Human		Bitten "Summons"		★★ Dracula 2000 Gerard Butler.			
	TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Men/Work	Cougar T	Queens	Queens	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's...			
	TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:00) The Two M...		Pretty Baby ('50, Com) Dennis Morgan.				★★★ Maytime ('37, Rom) Nelson Eddy.				(:15) Portrait of ...	
	TELE	20	8	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Raggs	Raggs	Noodle	LazyTown	Pagado	Op. Repo	EPL Fútbol Manchester United vs. Chelsea (L)			
	TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes	Say Yes
	TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Law & Order		LawOrder "C.O.D."		Law & Order		Law & Order		★ Stomp the Yard Columbus Short.			
	TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	(:10) G.Girls	(:50) Rose.	(:25) Roseanne		Roseanne	Roseanne	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	Nanny	The Exes	The Exes
	USA	26	30	42	27	49	Paid Program		Paid Program		Law&O.:SVU "Uncle"		SVU "True Believers"		Law&O.:SVU "Flight"		SVU "Perverted"	
	WGN	19	18				Paid	Facts	Key David	Beyond	In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night	

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — JANUARY 19, 2014

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		G	S	R	C	W	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	The Bachelor				News	Paid
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	NFL Champ. Chase		The NFL Today (L)		NFL Football AFC Championship New England Patriots vs. Denver Broncos (L)							News
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Browns	Browns	★★ Diamond Dog Caper Luke Benward.				The Hustle ('08, Com) Charles Q Murphy.				Miss Nobody	
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	★★ Knight and Day ('10, Act) Tom Cruise,				★★ Biker Boyz Laurence Fishburne.				Following	HomeT.	Pre-game	Football
	KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Biblical	Mani Erfan	Dr. Will	Sal.	Light of the Southwest Best of Week				J.McGee	Dollars	House Call	Dr. R.B.
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	(11:30) NHL Hockey Boston vs Chicago (L)				USSA Skiing		ISU Figure Skate European Championship (L)				Inside Ed.	News
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Daytrip	Travel Kids	Getaways	CEO Glob	Art	Beads	Sewing	Knitting	BioCent	E.Smith	News.	Heroes
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	MFL Fútbol Toluca vs. Pumas de la UNAM (L)				Tras la Verdad		El Chavo Animado		Como dice el dicho		Humor es	Noticiero
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Paid	Paid	Green	Homes	CARS.TV	AmAthlete	The FBI Files		RedCarpe	Insider	Access Hollywood	
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	65		165		(:05) ★★★ Little Fish Hugo Weaving.				★★★ Chuck and Buck			(:40) ★★ Scanners Jennifer O'Neill.				Movie
	HBO	300	68	14	14		Bill Maher		★★★ Oblivion ('13, Act) Tom Cruise.				Making	★★ Rock of Ages ('12, Com) Tom Cruise.				Movie
	HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Movie	(:40) ★★ Admission ('13, Com) Tina Fey.				True Detective		Boxing World Championship				1stLook
	HBOS	304	70	16	102		(11:20) Presumed Innocent			★★★ Kingdom of Heaven ('05, Act) Orlando Bloom.					(:55) ★★ Life of Pi Suraj Sharma.			
	MAX	380	71	17	120	24	Movie	(:35) Banshee		(:35) ★★ Dark Shadows Johnny Depp.				★★ Undercover Brother			Miss Congeniali...	
	MAX2	382	72	18	122		(11:40) ★★★ He Got Game				Bullet to the Head			★★★★ Swingers			(:10) The Man W...	
	PLEX			96			(:05) Throw Momma From t...			(:35) ★★★ Duel			(:10) ★★★ Pharaoh's Army			(:45) ★★ Deeply Kirsten Dunst.		
	SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(11:15) The Twili...		(:15) The Twilight Saga: Breaking Daw...				(:15) Episodes		★★★ Sleepy Hollow Johnny Depp.			
	TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(:10) ★★★ Sling Blade ('95, Dra) Billy Bob Thorton.					★★★ In the Name of the Father				(:45) Bunraku Josh Hartnett.		
CABLE	A&E	27	32	28	35	47	(11:00) ★★★ Goodfellas Ray Liotta.				Crazy Hearts		Crazy Hearts		Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dynasty	
	AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(10:00) ★★★ Titanic ('97, Dra) Leonardo DiCaprio.					★★ Failure to Launch				★★ Get Smart Steve Carell.		
	BET	58	26		40		★★ Glory Road ('06, Dra) Josh Lucas, Derek Luke.					★★ Men of Honor ('00, Dra) Cuba Gooding Jr., Robert De Niro.						
	BRAVO	65	63		41		Beverly Hills		Blood "Six in the City"		Blood, Sweat, Heels		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta	
	CNBC	46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
	CNN	43	24	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		Your Money		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
	DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Hawaii	Hawaii	Bering Sea Gold		Bering Sea Gold		Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier	
	DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Jessie	Dog Blog	Dog Blog	Dog Blog	GoodLuck	GoodLuck	GoodLuck	Austin	Austin	Austin	Jessie	Jessie
	ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	(11:00) Sunday NFL Countdown (L)				PBA Bowling 50 Tour				PBA Bowling		SportsCenter	
	ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	(10:00) ITF Tennis Australian Open				NCAA Basketball Connecticut vs. Rutgers (L)				NCAA Basketball Penn.St./Mich. St. (L)			
	FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(10:00) A League ...		★★ Forces of Nature Ben Affleck.				★★★ Practical Magic Nicole Kidman.				Miss Congeniality	
	FNC	45	58	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News		Journal E.	News HQ	Healthy	Housecall	Media Buzz		Fox News	
	FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Southern	Pioneer	Iron Chef America		Iron Chef America		M. Diners	M. Diners	Diners...	Eat St.	Chopped	
	FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	(11:00) NCAA Basketb.		NCAA Basketball Texas vs. TCU (L)				Sports Unlimited		Xterra	E. Games	Surfing	
	FX	31	31	59	64	69	Movie	★★ Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen ('09, Act) Shia LaBeouf.						★★★ Transformers: Dark of the Moon				
	HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	June in January (2014, Drama)				Taste of Romance ('11, Fam) Teri Polo.				The Sweeter Side of Life Kathryn Morris.			
	HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	House	House	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	Island	HouseH	House
	HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		Modern Marvels		Curse of Oak Island		Curse of Oak Island	
	LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Ryder and Julina Mary McCormack.				The Pastor's Wife Rose McGowan.				House of Secrets ('14, Thril) Neil Jackson.			
	MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Weekends-Alex Witt		Meet the Press		MSNBC News Live		Disrupt		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera	
	NBCSN	38	39				GoalZone	Curling Continental Cup				NCAA Basketball Towson vs C. Southern (L)				USSA Skiing Freeskiing Grand Prix		
	NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Hathaway	Thunder.	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	iCarly "iGoodbye"		Sam & Cat		The SpongeBob...	
	SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	BarRes.	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		★★★★ The Shawshank Redemption Tim Robbins.				
	SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Cirque Du Freak: The Vampire's Assista...				★★ Daybreakers ('09, Act) Jay Laga'aia.				★★ Resident Evil: Extinction			
	TBS	25	11	44	66	41	(10:00) Pirates of t...		★★★ Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl						Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's E...			
	TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(11:15) Portrait of ...		★★ Sleepless in Seattle Tom Hanks.				★★★ Lover Come Back Doris Day.				Adam's Rib	
	TELE	20	8	10	20		Enfoque	★★ Patrulla de frontera Cuba Gooding Jr..				Ganar O Morir (1993, Action)				Op. Repo	Videos asombrosos	
	TLC	51	33	32	38	52	90 Day Fiancé		Dateline: Real Myst.		Dateline: Real Myst.		Dateline: Real Myst.		Dateline: Real Myst.		Dateline: Real Myst.	
	TNT	24	23	40	26	50	(:15) ★★ Step Up Channing Tatum.				(:15) ★★ Step Up 2: The Streets				(:15) ★★ Dreamgirls Jamie Foxx.			
	TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	The Exes	BradyB.	BradyB.	BradyB.	BradyB.	BradyB.	BradyB.	BradyB.	BradyB.	BradyB.	(:15) Cosby	(:55) Cosby
	USA	26	30	42	27	49	SVU "Secrets Exhumed"		SVU "Zebras"		SVU "Unorthodox"		Law&O.:SVU "Raw"		Law&O.:SVU "Mercy"		SVU "Legacy"	
	WGN	19	18				In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		Home Videos		Home Videos	

SUNDAY PRIME TIME — JANUARY 19, 2014

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		G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
BROADCAST	KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	America's Funniest Home Videos		Bachelor "Bachelor Love Stories" (N)		Revenge "Hatred" (N)		Betrayal "A Better Place" (SF) (N)		KMID News	(:35) White Collar		(:35) Paid Program
	KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		The Good Wife "The Next Day"		The Mentalist "Red, White and Blue"		Criminal Minds "Final Shot"		CBS 7 News	(:35) The Wire	(:05) The Closer	
	KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	(5:00) Miss Nobody ('10, Com) Leslie Bibb.		★★ The Cable Guy (1996, Comedy) Matthew Broderick, Leslie Mann, Jim Carrey.				Sein. "The Truth"	Seinfeld "The Dog"	King of Queens	King of Queens	'Til Death	'Til Death
	KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	(5:30) NFL Football NFC Championship San Francisco 49ers vs. Seattle Seahawks Site: CenturyLink Field -- Seattle, Wash. (L)						NFL Post-game (L)	The Following "Resurrection" (SP) (N)		Modern Family	Jack Van Impe	Modern Family
	KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Doorways to Wisdom		Walking	Dr. Rik Wadge	Light of the Southwest				Zola Levitt	Update News	Day of Discovery	Dollars & Sense
	KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Dateline NBC		★★★ Bridesmaids ('11, Com) Kristen Wiig. A broke woman tries to bluff her way through her best friend's bridesmaid rituals.						News-West 9	Country Reporter	Paid Program	Whacked Out
	KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Nature "The Private Life of Deer"		Masterpiece Classic		Masterpiece Classic (N)		Masterpiece Mystery! "Sherlock, Series III: The Empty Hearse" (N)				Backstage Pass	
	KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Aqui y Ahora		La rosa de Guadalupe				Sal y pimienta		Perspectiva	Noticiero Univision	Tras la Verdad	
	KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Ent. Tonight		Burn Notice		The Closer		Private Practice		30 Rock	Sunny	Office	Trobador
PREMIUM	FLIX	340	65		165		(5:30) Eraserhead		The People Under the Stairs			(:45) ★ Wishmaster Andrew Divoff.				(:25) ★★★ Darkman		
	HBO	300	68	14	14		(5:35) ★ The Place Beyond the Pines				True Detective (N)		Girls (N)	Looking	True Detective		Girls	Looking
	HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Bill Maher		True Detective		★★ Admission Tina Fey.			(:50) Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story				Movie
	HBOS	304	70	16	102		(:05) ★★ Identity Thief Jason Bateman.				★★★ Snow White and the Huntsman				(:15) ★★★★ Casino Robert De Niro.			
	MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:00) Miss Cong...		★★★ Pitch Perfect Anna Kendrick.				A Good Day to Die Hard			(:40) Co-Ed	LifeTop	Movie
	MAX2	382	72	18	122		(5:10) The Man W...		Banshee		★★ Assault on Precinct 13			(:50) Femme Fatales		(:25) ★★★ Syriana		
	PLEX			96			Movie	Throw Momma From the T...			★★★ Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story				(:05) ★★★ Pharaoh's Army			Movie
	SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Shameless		Episodes	Lies	Shameless (N)		Lies (N)	Episodes	Shameless		Lies	Episodes
	TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(4:45) Bunraku		★★ Man on a Ledge Sam Worthington.				★★★ The Rundown			(:45) ★★★ Goon		
CABLE	A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dynasty		Duck Dy	Duck Dy
	AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(4:30) Get Smart		★★★ Bruce Almighty Jim Carrey.				★★ Twister ('96, Act) Bill Paxton, Helen Hunt.					Movie
	BET	58	26		40		The Rosa Parks Story Angela Bassett.				Freedom Song ('99, Dra) Vondie Curtis Hall, Danny Glover.						BET Inspiration	
	BRAVO	65	63		41		Atlanta Social (N)		Housewives Atl. (N)		Blood, Sweat (N)		Housewives Atlanta		Watch (N)	Queens	Housewives Atlanta	
	CNBC	46	45		39	72	'Til Debt	Money	60 Minutes		60 Minut. "Disaster"		60 Minutes		American Greed		American Greed	
	CNN	43	24	51	30	56	CNN Special Report		Anthony Bourdain		Anthony Bourdain		CNN Special Report		Anthony Bourdain		Anthony Bourdain	
	DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier		Alaska/Frontier (N)		Dude, You're... (N)		Alaska/Frontier		Dude, You're...	
	DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Liv/Mad	Dog Blog	GoodL (N)	Austin (N)	Dog Blog	Jessie	GoodLuck	Austin	Jessie	Shake Up	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
	ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	(5:00) SprtC	30 for 30 "The Price of Gold"			30Shorts	30Shorts	SportsCenter		NFL PrimeTime (L)		SportsCenter	
	ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	Poker World Series Europe				ITF Tennis Australian Open Round of 16 Site: Melbourne Park -- Melbourne, Australia (L)							
	FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(5:00) Miss Cong...		★★★ The Blind Side ('09, Spt) Tim McGraw, Sandra Bullock.						The Fosters		J.Osteen	Enjoy-Life
	FNC	45	58	53	23	55	FOX Report Sunday		Huckabee		Justice JudgeJeanine		Stossel		Huckabee		Justice JudgeJeanine	
	FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Rachael vs. Guy		Game "Cart Wars" (N)		Diners, Drive-Ins		Cuthroat (N)		Restaurant		To Be Announced	
	FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	UFC Ultimate Insider		WPT Poker		WPT Poker		UFC Unleashed		Game365	Spotlight	WPT Poker	
	FX	31	31	59	64	69	(3:30) Transforme...		★★★★ Rise of the Planet of the Apes					★★★ Transformers: Dark of the Moon				
	HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	When Calls the Heart		June in January (2014, Drama)				When Calls Heart		Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier
	HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	HouseH	House	Bargain	Bargain	Hawaii	Hawaii	Island (N)	Island (N)	HouseH	House	Hawaii	Hawaii
	HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Pwn Star	Pawn Star	Ax Men "Log Jam"		Ax Men (N)		Curse/Oak Island (N)		America Unearthed		Ax Men "Log Jam"	
	LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Gone Missing ('13, Dra) Daphne Zuniga.				Flowers in the Attic Heather Graham.				Gone Missing ('13, Dra) Daphne Zuniga.			
	MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Lockup		Lockup		Lockup		Lockup	
	NBCSN	38	39				NHL Live!	NHL Hockey Washington Capitals vs. New York Rangers (L)					Overtime	Pre Show	Match of the Day		EPL Soccer	
	NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Movie	Sponge	See Dad	Instant Mom A party girl marries an older man who has children.						Friends	Friends	Friends
	SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	(3:30) The Shawsh...		★★★ The Day After Tomorrow ('04, Act) Dennis Quaid.						Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
	SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	★★★ Zombieland Woody Harrelson.				★★ Underworld: Evolution				My Soul to Take ('10, Hor) John Magaro.			
	TBS	25	11	44	66	41	(4:00) Pirates of t...		BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	King of the Nerds		King of the Nerds	
	TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:00) Adam's Rib		★★★ The Trouble With Angels				★★ Where Angels Go, Trouble Follows				Souls for Sale	
	TELE	20	8	10	20		Alvin y las Ardillas 2 ('09, Ani)			Thor ('11, Act) Anthony Hopkins, Chris Hemsworth.					Titulares	Op. Repo	Patrulla de fron...	
	TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Dateline: Real Myst.		Sister Wives		Sister Wives		90 Day Fiancé		Sister Wives		90 Day Fiancé	
	TNT	24	23	40	26	50	(4:15) Dreamgirls		★★★ The Help ('11, Dra) Viola Davis, Emma Stone.						★★★ The Help ('11, Dra) Emma Stone.			
	TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	(5:55) Cosby	(:25) Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	Kirstie	Kirstie
	USA	26	30	42	27	49	SVU "Remorse"		SVU "Manhunt"		SVU "Painless"		Law&O.:SVU "Parts"		Psych		SVU "True Believers"	
	WGN	19	18				Home Videos		★★★ The Mask of Zorro ('98, Adv) Antonio Banderas.						Bones		30 Rock	Parks/Rec

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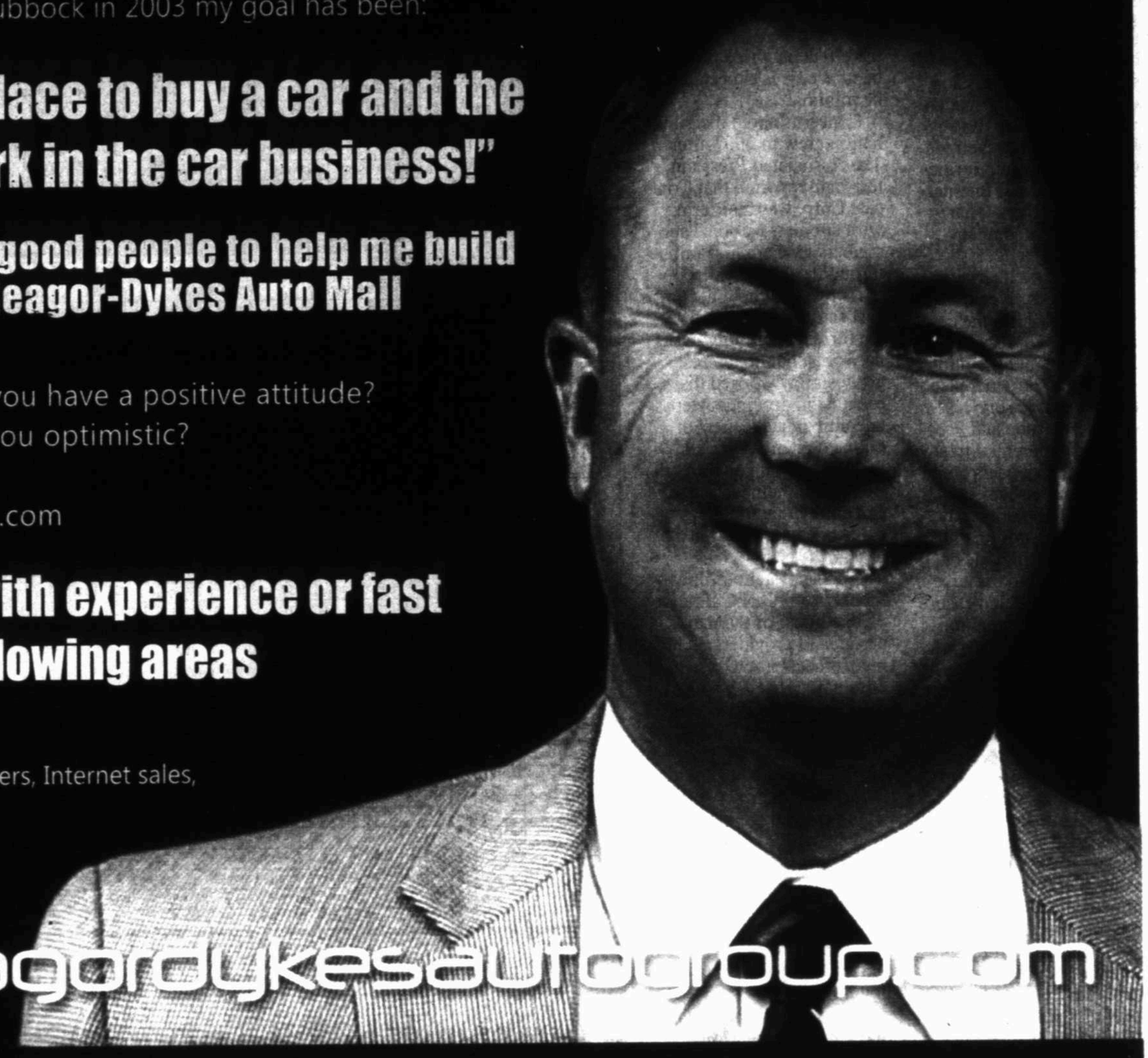

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TOP HAND

PBPA honors Don Evans for his service to the oil and gas industry, his community and country

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Don Evans has worked as a roughneck on a drilling rig, headed up an independent oil and gas operation and promoted the U.S. oil and gas industry globally as secretary of state during President George W. Bush's first term.

Now the Midlander is being recognized as the Permian Basin Petroleum Association's Top Hand for 2014.

"Secretary Evans exemplifies all of the best qualities of the PBPA Top Hand award," said Ben Shepperd, PBPA president. "His lifetime of service to the oil and gas industry, to his community and to his country are examples for all of us to follow. We are proud to honor Secretary Evans."

For his part, Evans downplayed being considered a Top Hand.

"I don't think you're a true Top Hand until you have been humbled numerous times by this exciting, risk taking and challenging industry," he said by email. "With a big dose of humility and a few successes along the way, you find the spirit to give back to the community and to give others a helping hand. I hope at the end of the trail it will be less about what I accomplished and more about what I gave."

As a native Texan, he noted, he grew up in the center of the world's energy industry. Growing up in Houston, he watched his father's career at Shell Oil Co. and eventually earned an engineering degree from the University of Texas at Austin, followed by a master's degree in business administration.

"I enjoy building and doing things. I enjoy risk taking, and competition inspires me. The energy industry seemed like a natural career for me," he said by email.

The energy industry, he said, has a vital role to play in the global economy.

"The number one problem in the world is poverty and that includes, to a certain extent, the United States," he said. "The number one goal and most important responsibility of any economy is to create jobs because with a job one is able to feed a family, put a roof over their head and educate their children. The most effective way to attack these challenges is to grow the domestic and global economy at its full potential. And the only way to grow an economy at its full potential is with affordable, available energy delivered in an environmentally friendly way. So in essence the energy industry is at the strategic center of growing domestic and global economies and helping citizens to achieve their dreams and aspirations."

Evans began his career as a roughneck with Tom Brown Inc. in 1975, rising to become the company's chief executive officer 10 years later. He remained with the company until 2001, when he went to Washington, D.C. to serve as

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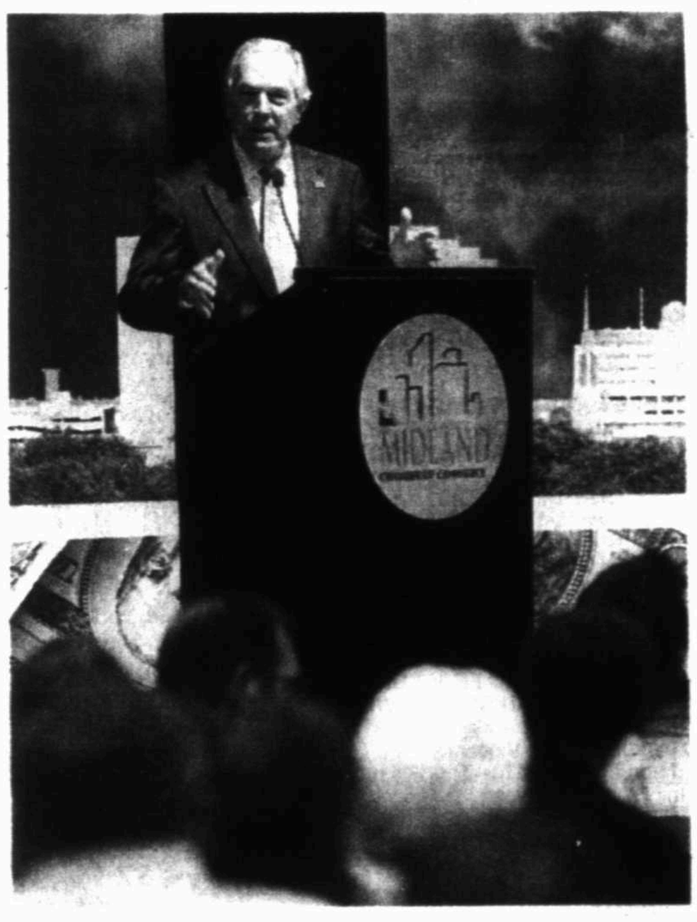

Don Evans, former secretary of the U.S. Department of Commerce, speaks at the Midland Chamber of Commerce 2012 State of the Economy luncheon.

President George W. Bush greets Don and Susie Evans and as he steps off Air Force 1 at Midland International Airport in this 2008 MRT file photo.

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Canyon Midstream plans new system in Ector, Andrews counties

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Continued increases in Permian Basin oil and natural gas production have producers seeking ways to move their commodity to market. This has given rise to expanded midstream infrastructure throughout the region.

Joining that expansion is Canyon Midstream Partners of Houston, which has announced plans for the James Lake System, a natural gas gathering, processing and treating system anchored by a 10-year gathering and processing agreement with one of the world's largest oil and gas companies.

The system will include a cryogenic gas processing plant, with an initial processing capacity of 70 million cubic feet per day and treating capabilities for natural gas containing hydrogen sulfide and carbon dioxide, in Ector County. Canyon is also developing 40 miles of high pressure gathering trunklines and three compressor stations, which will connect to low pressure field gathering systems that Canyon is constructing for its anchor customer in Ector and Andrews counties. Completion is set for the end of this year or the first of next year and when completed will deliver residue gas into the El Paso Natural Gas pipeline and offer interconnections to multiple NGL lines in Ector County.

Michael Walsh, Canyon president, said it is the company's first Permian Basin project.

"We had a number of discussions with producers looking for additional midstream services and we had the opportunity to participate," he said. The company is also in talks with other producers that could result in expansion of the system.

"There is a lot of existing infrastructure there serving the long history of production in the Permian Basin," he said. "Production is growing at such a fast pace it's inviting additional midstream construction and creating opportunities for new companies like ourselves."

Canyon, Walsh said, has opened an office in Odessa and acquired the site in Ector County for the processing plant. He said the permitting process is being

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MONITORINGBUILDUP

Flowrox introduces technology for monitoring pipeline scale buildup

By Paul Wiseman
Special to the Oil Report

In both plants and cross-country pipelines, managing internal scale buildup may have just been made easier due to a new product released by Flowrox.

The Finnish company with U.S. headquarters in Orland, Fla., has had its Scaling Watch technology in beta testing in the field for about a year and is ready to roll it out worldwide, according to Todd Loudin, president and CEO of North American Operations for the company.

Scaling Watch involves a wafer piece of pipeline about four inches long, in a four-inch ID pipeline, that is inserted between two flanges. The section, which can be made in a variety of metals to match that of the pipeline, contains technology that detects the amount of scale present on the wafer section.

That technology is electrical capacitance tomography (ECT), which can detect scale of any sort, mineral or organic.

Information gathered is sent to a powered control box from which it can be relayed by telemetry to wherever it is needed. In a plant situation it is simply connected to the facility's computer network.

Software then monitors the rate at which scale builds up, giving pipeline technicians a computer-generated picture of what that scale looks like and the rate at which it is growing. It can retain up to three months' data in order to calculate that growth rate. Armed with this, pipeline or plant officials can determine when to use the appropriate method for dealing with the scale before the problem gets too big.

Without this system, companies must shut down the pipeline and open it up to check for scale, or they must guess at the proper interval to implement treatment. That treatment usually consists of running chemicals through to dissolve scale, sending a "pig" through to dislodge deposits or opening the pipeline to blast it out. The latter is usually reserved for pipes in processing facilities, being impractical on 100-mile-long cross country sections.

Loudin stressed that the wafer section can only monitor itself — it cannot determine scale levels upstream or downstream. "Most people who have had issues with scaling or material buildup, they know where that spot is. So they would want to put it into that spot where they've had problems," he explained.

Because the device measures only its own scale, it must be inserted in either a new pipeline or one that has been recently cleaned so that the scale situation is a known quantity as monitoring begins.

The technology was developed by Rocsole, of which Flowrox purchased a portion in order to sell Scaling Watch in its worldwide marketplace. Flowrox, said Loudin, is active across Europe and North America, the two markets responsible for approximately 90 percent of its business, as well as South Africa, Australia and China. The company recently opened an office in Shanghai.

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Report attempts to vindicate EPA tactics

ALEX MILLS
Texas Alliance of Energy Producers

A report by the Inspector General's office (IG) of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding EPA's actions in 2010 is an obvious attempt to whitewash EPA's bullying tactics.

The issue involves two water wells in Parker County that were allegedly contaminated by natural gas wells drilled by Range Resources, a Fort Worth company. EPA's office in Dallas issued an emergency order on Dec. 7, 2010 against Range Resources.

The 32-page IG report, released this past Christmas Eve, was performed in response to a Congressional inquiry made on June 19, 2012 that questioned EPA's intervention into a case that was already under investigation by Texas regulators. Some members of Congress were puzzled as to why EPA would issue the emergency order without a hearing. In effect, EPA tried, convicted and sentenced Range without any notice or opportunity to appear and show that it was not at fault. The fact that EPA later withdrew the order appeared to prove that the agency had overreached.

The IG justified EPA's bullying tactics by stating that EPA "needs neither proof that contamination has already occurred nor proof that the recipient of the order is responsible for the contamination" before issuing an emergency order. That's right: EPA now apparently doesn't even need proof to accuse energy companies of wrongdoing.

The IG report claims the gas found in the water wells was "nearly identical" to the gas produced by the wells Range drilled. But testimony before the Railroad Commission (RRC) in 2011 revealed that the methane came from the gas-bearing Strawn formation, which is located only about 400 feet below the surface, and into which a nearby landowner had actually drilled her water well. Range was producing from the Barnett Shale, which lies about 5,000 feet below the surface.

The RRC took soil and water samples and conducted pressure tests on Range's wells, which showed no sign of leakage around the wells. Documents from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality confirm that Range's wells were cased and sealed in full compliance with regulations.

The RRC also faulted EPA for how it fingerprinted the source of the gas. "Gas from the Strawn has higher nitrogen concentration and lower carbon dioxide concentration than Barnett Shale gas," the RRC report stated. An EPA official, John Blevins, admitted under oath that nitrogen fingerprinting is an important factor in determining the source, but that EPA still did not examine nitrogen in determining the source of the gas.

Days before the order was issued, EPA scientist Dr. Doug Beak said in an email to colleagues that the available "limited data" were "not conclusive evidence" and that the "only way now to compare the data would be to make assumptions to fill in data gaps."

EPA's actions drew the attention of news media and members of Congress. EPA's regional administrator, Al Armendariz, had issued a news release about the emergency order on Dec. 7, 2010 that referred to "hydraulic fracturing" four times, indicating that fracing could be a cause. He also sent an email to environmental groups in Texas just hours before the order was issued, imploring them to "Tivo channel 8" because "we're about to make a lot of news."

The IG report noted that the administrator had "informed environment and citizen groups," but it was "not out of the ordinary for the EPA to inform interested parties of press releases after they are released." But the emails with local activists occurred before the order was issued, not afterward.

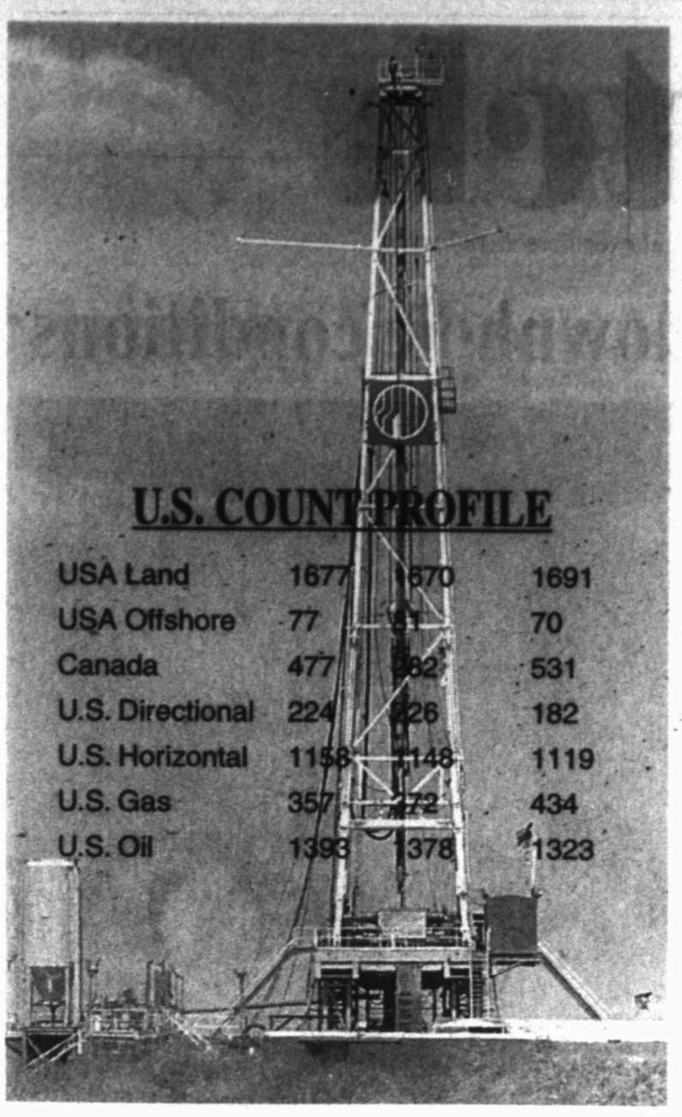
Months before he issued the order against Range, Armendariz was caught on video saying his method of enforcing regulations on oil and gas producers was similar to "how the Romans used to conquer little villages in the Mediterranean." He added, "You hit them as hard as you can and you make examples out of them." Armendariz was later forced to resign when the video was made public, and he now works for the Sierra Club, which lobbies against the use of hydraulic fracturing.

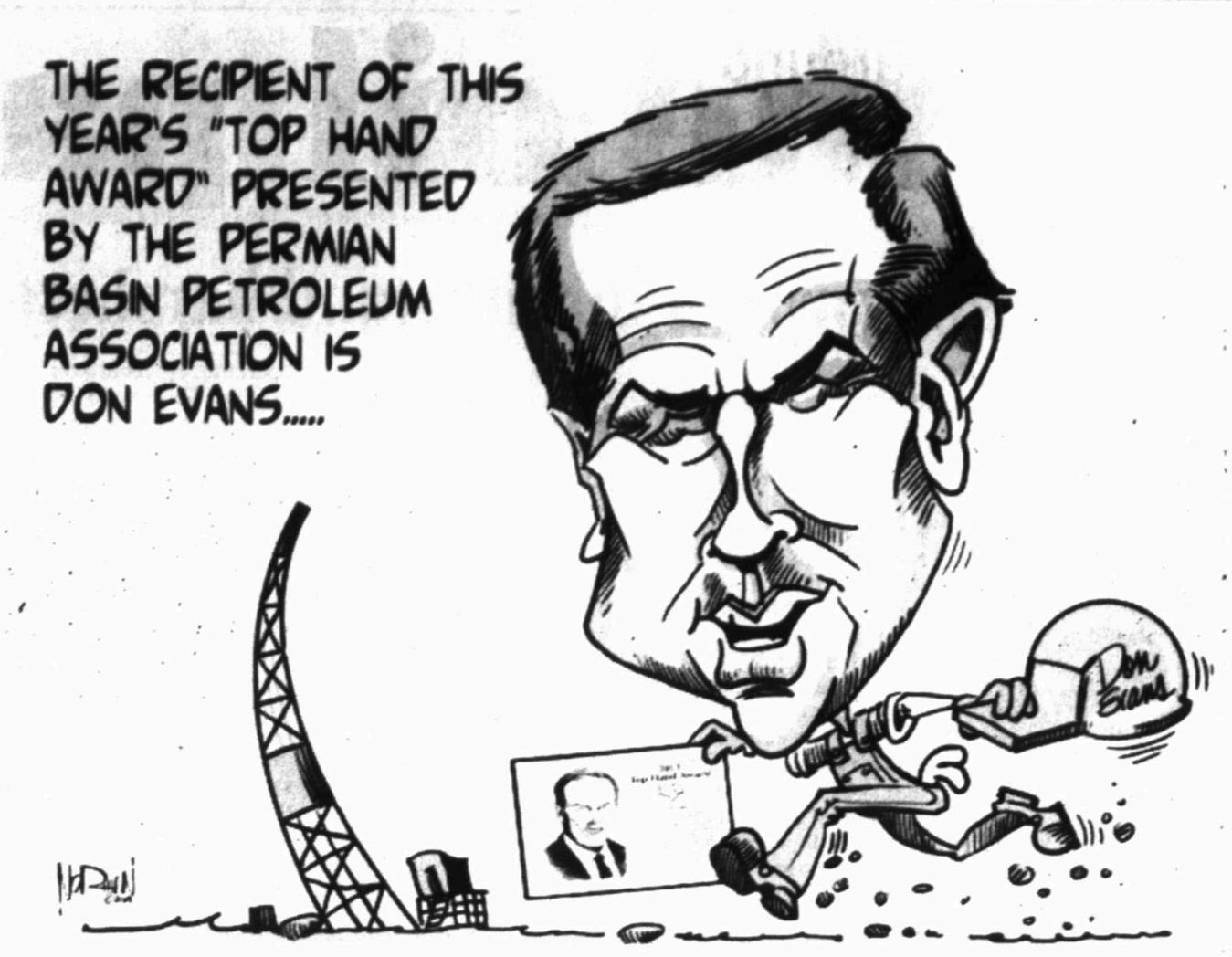
Testimony in state district court also revealed that an environmental consultant, Alisa Rich, had worked with the owner of the water wells on a "strategy" to "intentionally attach a garden hose to a gas vent — not a water line — and then light and burn the gas from the end nozzle of the hose," Judge Trey Loftin, 43rd District Court in Parker County, wrote in his order in favor of Range Resources on Feb. 16, 2012.

Rich also gleefully emailed the landowner: "It is worth every penny if we can get jurisdiction to EPA."

The IG report failed to mention the judge's findings or the collusion with environmental groups that led to EPA's involvement. However, it was obvious from the evidence presented in court and at the RRC hearing that EPA overreached in an effort to "make an example" out of Range Resources.

Alex Mills is president of the Texas Alliance of Energy Producers. The opinions expressed are solely of the author.





MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	$89.05
Flint Hills Resources*	$90.75
Phillips 66*	$90.79
Plains*	$90.75
Shell Trading	$90.80
Sun*	$90.75
NYMEX futures	$92.59

*Net price without transportation charge
Note: Posted prices as of January 15, 2014

SPOT NATURAL GAS PRICE PROFILE

Current natural gas prices (price per MMBtu)

	First of the month price	Closing price 1/15/14	Same period one year ago
NYMEX future price	$4.407	$4.325	$3.455
Composite Field Prices For Waha Hub	$4.310	$4.280	$3.470
Composite Field Prices For Rocky Mountains	$4.343	$4.320	$3.529
Composite Field Prices For Permian Basin	$4.310	$4.285	$3.472
Composite Field Prices For San Juan Basin	$4.330	$4.305	$3.540
Composite Field Prices For Midcontinent	$4.313	$4.327	$3.394
Composite Field Prices For Gulf Coast	$4.333	$4.303	$3.372

PERMIAN BASIN RIG COUNTS

Texas

DIST. #7C

Coke	0
Concho	0
Crockett	7
Irion	13
Kimble	0
McCulloch	0
Menard	0
Reagan	23
Runnels	2
Schleicher	2
Sutton	0
Terrell	0
Tom Green	0
Upton	32

DIST. #8

Andrews	24
Brewster	0
Crane	5
Culberson	10
Ector	20
Glasscock	33
Howard	20
Hudspeth	0
Jeff Davis	0
Loving	11
Martin	35
Midland	24
Mitchell	4
Pecos	5
Presidio	0
Reeves	46
Sterling	3
Ward	23
Winkler	2

DIST. #8A

Bailey	0
Borden	1
Cochran	0
Cottle	0
Crosby	1
Dawson	2
Dickens	1
Floyd	0
Gaines	7
Garza	2
Hale	0
Hockley	6
Kent	1
King	2
Lamb	0
Lubbock	2
Lynn	1
Motley	0
Scurry	5
Terry	0
Yoakum	7
TEXAS TOTAL	382

New Mexico

Chaves	0
Eddy	37
Lea	40
Roosevelt	0
N.M. TOTAL	77

MEETING

New plays in Bend Arch Area topic for SEPM

Members of the Permian Basin Section, SEPM (Society for Sedimentary Geology) will gather Tuesday, Jan. 21 at Midland Center beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Ned Frost, carbonate sedimentologist and stratigrapher for the State of Texas Advanced Resource Recovery (STARR) group at the Bureau of Economic Geology, Austin, will be presenting a program on "New Carbonate Plays in the Mississippian Lime of the Bend Arch Area, Texas."

Cost is $15, including lunch. The public is invited. Additional information may be found at http://www.pbs-sepm.org under Talks. Reservations can be obtained by calling 683-1573 or e-mail at wtgs@wtgs.org.

TOP HAND

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commerce secretary. As commerce secretary, he said he discussed energy issues with Hu Jintao, then president of China, and Vladimir Putin, president of Russia, a position he holds today.

Since stepping down as commerce secretary, Evans has remained active in the energy industry, managing his oil and gas business from Midland while also serving as a senior partner in the private equity firm Quintana Energy Partners out of Houston. Since the first of 2008, he has also served as non-executive chairman of Energy Future Holdings, formerly known as TXU Corporation.

"I plan to participate in oil and gas wells being drilled across the Permian Basin" this year, he wrote in his email.

With a smile coming through his email, he added, "But I can't tell you where they are, because it's top secret."

CANYON

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completed and the company is lining up contractors and equipment to begin construction. State agencies, he said, especially the Railroad Commission, have been working well with Canyon on the process.

He added that the company is looking at future projects elsewhere in the Permian Basin.

Canyon was formed to acquire, develop and operate midstream energy companies and assets. Its founders are former senior management of Delphi Midstream Partners LLC and Laser Northeast Gathering Company LLC. Walsh serves as president and chief executive officer, Mark Fuqua as senior vice president, business development and Dale Harper as senior vice president, engineering and operations. The company is backed by $300 million equity commitments from Kayne Anderson Energy Funds, company management and other institutional investors.

It has assets in the Permian Basin, East Texas and the Tuscaloosa Marine Shale.

WILDCATS

Texas RRCD 7C

Irion County

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP WILDCAT DRILL (EXPL TEST) Well# 1 ORELLANA F TEST WELL, 2105 FSL 2599 FEL, SEC 1144, C&M/LP HINDE SUR., A-799 2500', 17 SW MERTZON

Texas RRCD 8A

Lamb County

TRIUMPH EXPLORATION, INC. WILDCAT (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 ELWAY, 700 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 672, SCL/A TAYLOR/LB 8 SUR., A-347 7350', 2 SE LITTLEFIELD

Scurry County

HADAWAY CONSULT & ENGINEER LLC WILDCAT (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H SMITH 454, 180 FNL 500 FEL, SEC 454 BLK 97, H&TC/D MCDERMOTT SUR., A-1766 8050', 1 N DERMOTT

New Mexico

Eddy County

RKI Exploration & Production LLC
Ross Draw Unit #37
Wildcat; Sec 22 T26S R30E; 1750/N & 105/W; 18 mi SE Malaga; Rot 7534 Bone Spring; API #30-015-41676

Lea County

Cimarex Energy Co.
Double X 25 Federal #9
Wildcat; Sec 25 T24S R32E; 330/N & 660/W; 11 mi W Ochoa; Rot 14143 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41417

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Cimarex Energy Co.
Double X 25 Federal #12
Wildcat; Sec 25 T24S R32E; 330/N & 660/E; 11 mi W Ochoa; Rot 14140 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41415

COG Production LLC
Windward Federal #1
Wildcat; Sec 30 T24S R32E; 190/N & 430/W; 16 mi W Ochoa; Rot 14883 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41414

COG Production LLC
Windward Federal #3
Wildcat; Sec 30 T24S R32E; 190/N & 2100/E; 16 mi W Ochoa; Rot 20229 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41413

COG Production LLC
Windward Federal #4
Wildcat; Sec 30 T24S R32E; 190/N & 430/E; 16 mi W Ochoa; Rot 20253 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41412

More US crude doesn't free US from global petro-politics

By Jennifer Dlouhy
Hearst Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Former national security leaders are warning that even as ever more crude flows from American fields, the U.S. still will be tethered to the global politics of oil and involved in unstable regions that supply it.

In a report issued Wednesday, a group of former military brass, presidential advisers, ambassadors and politicians insist that it's an illusion that surging U.S. oil production could unshackle the nation's foreign policy decisions from concerns about safeguarding worldwide crude supplies.

"This is an antidote to those who just glibly say more oil production means we're free of foreign entanglements," said Adm. Dennis Blair, the former director of national intelligence, and co-chairman of the Commission on Energy and Geopolitics that produced the 108-page analysis.

"We Americans like to think we can produce our way and work our way out of something," Blair said in an interview. "Unfortunately, the fact that we are now drilling as much oil as we are is not going to, in and of itself, keep America out of the vulnerable situation and the series of entanglements in places around the world that we have been in the past."

Still, more U.S. oil — predicted to reach a near-record 9.5 million barrels per day in 2016 — gives American leaders more latitude on the world stage.

The commission — a project of Securing America's Future Energy, which advocates ending U.S. oil dependence — lays out recommendations for the U.S. to capitalize on its climbing domestic production in order to safeguard the free flow of crude across the globe and promote stability in producing nations.

The group urges a return to a diplomacy-led approach in the Middle East, replacing the big military and intelligence presence of the past two decades. And the commission wants the U.S. to coordinate with energy-hungry China to develop shale oil resources, help protect oil shipping routes and jointly respond to crude supply disruptions.

Blair acknowledged there is a big psychological hurdle on China, which is not a member of the 28-member International Energy Agency that works collectively on oil supply issues.

"There's so much suspicion in the U.S.-China relationship," he said. "We are suspicious they are trying to push us out of East Asia; they're suspicious that we're trying to contain their growth. But we need to carve out energy security as an area that we both know, at all levels, from the top to the bottom, is in both of our interests."

The result, he said, could be a powerful alliance.

"Once that's established, and the world knows the United States and China — the two biggest consumers of oil in the world — are committed to stabilizing and making more resilient the world oil market, then I think things begin to fall into place."

Maritime security could be one of the earliest, easiest successes. Right now, more than half of the world's oil supplies must move through one of six maritime chokepoints, such as the Strait of Hormuz.

A 2009 study by the RAND Corp. calculated that Americans spend as much as $83 billion each year patrolling oil transit routes and protecting vulnerable energy infrastructure in hostile areas.

The commission also recommends the U.S. write new rules governing the American emergency stockpile of crude, known as the Strategic Petroleum Reserve. Formal criteria for tapping the SPR could help leaders use it more effectively "to respond meaningfully to a catastrophic loss of oil" in the world markets. Previous releases sometimes have been criticized as coming too late to make a big impact.

Members of the group include co-commissioner Gen. Michael Hagee, as well as Gen. John Abizaid, Adm. Michael Mullin and former Sen. Bob Kerrey.

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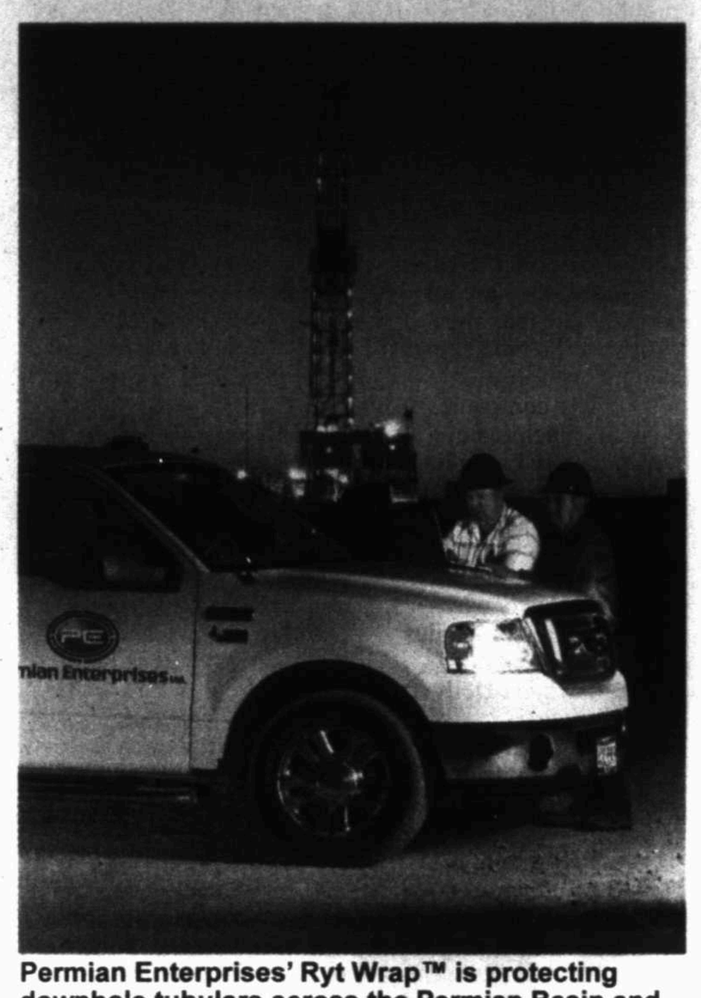

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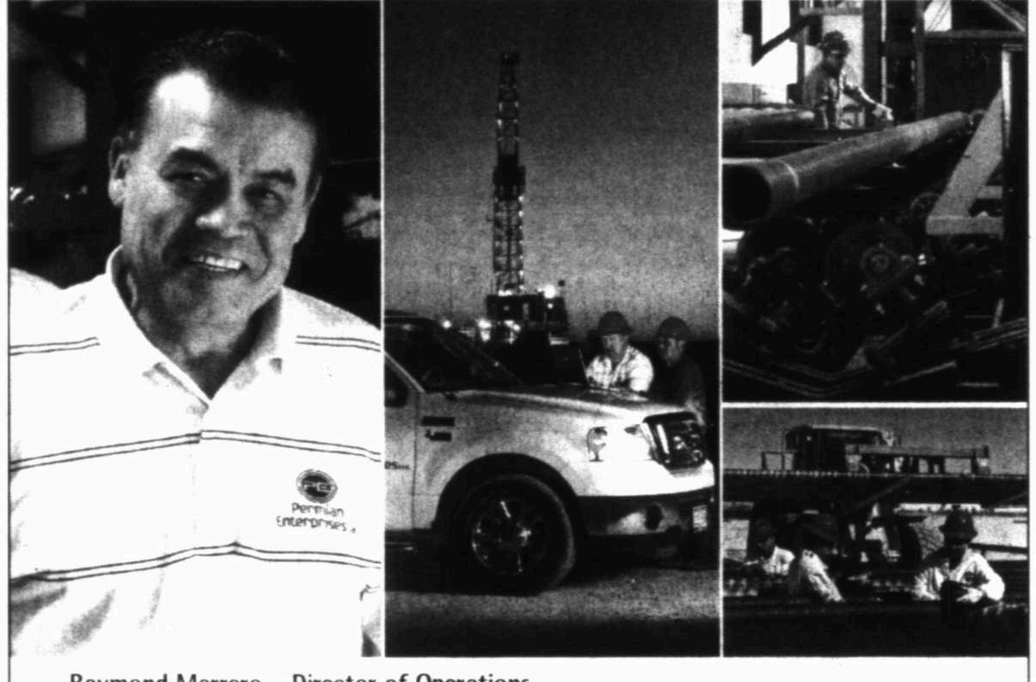

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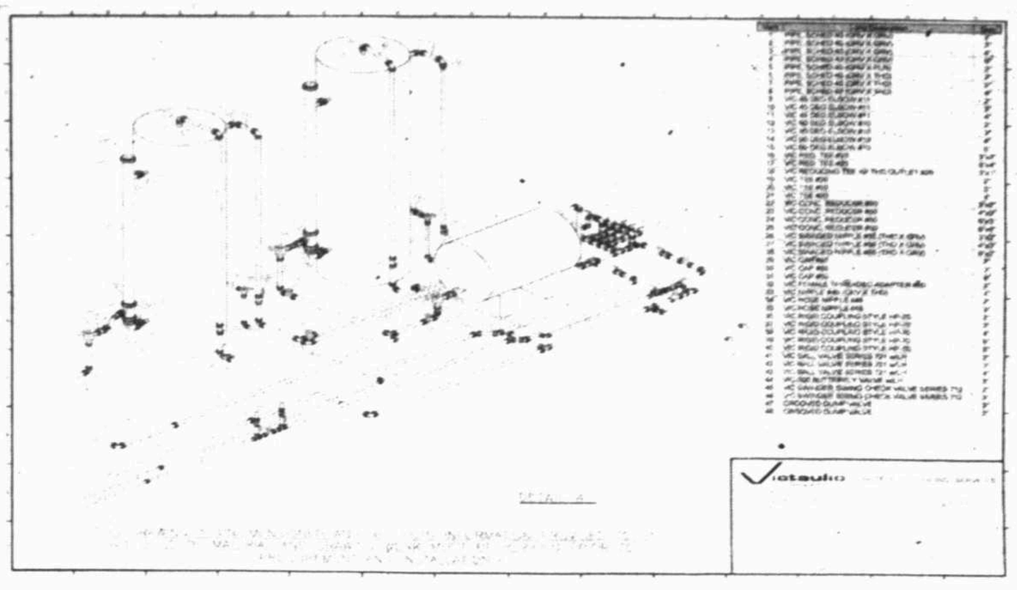

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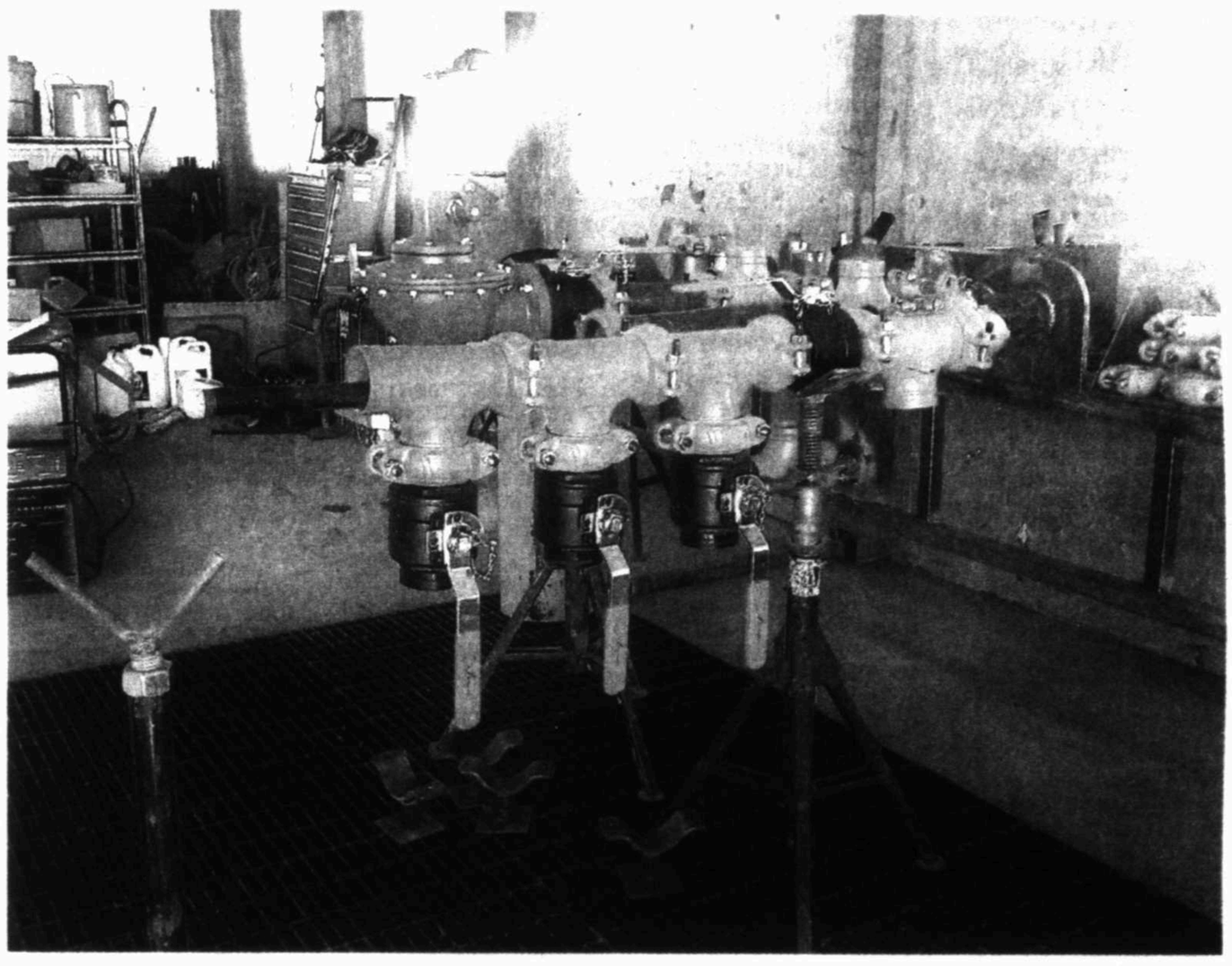

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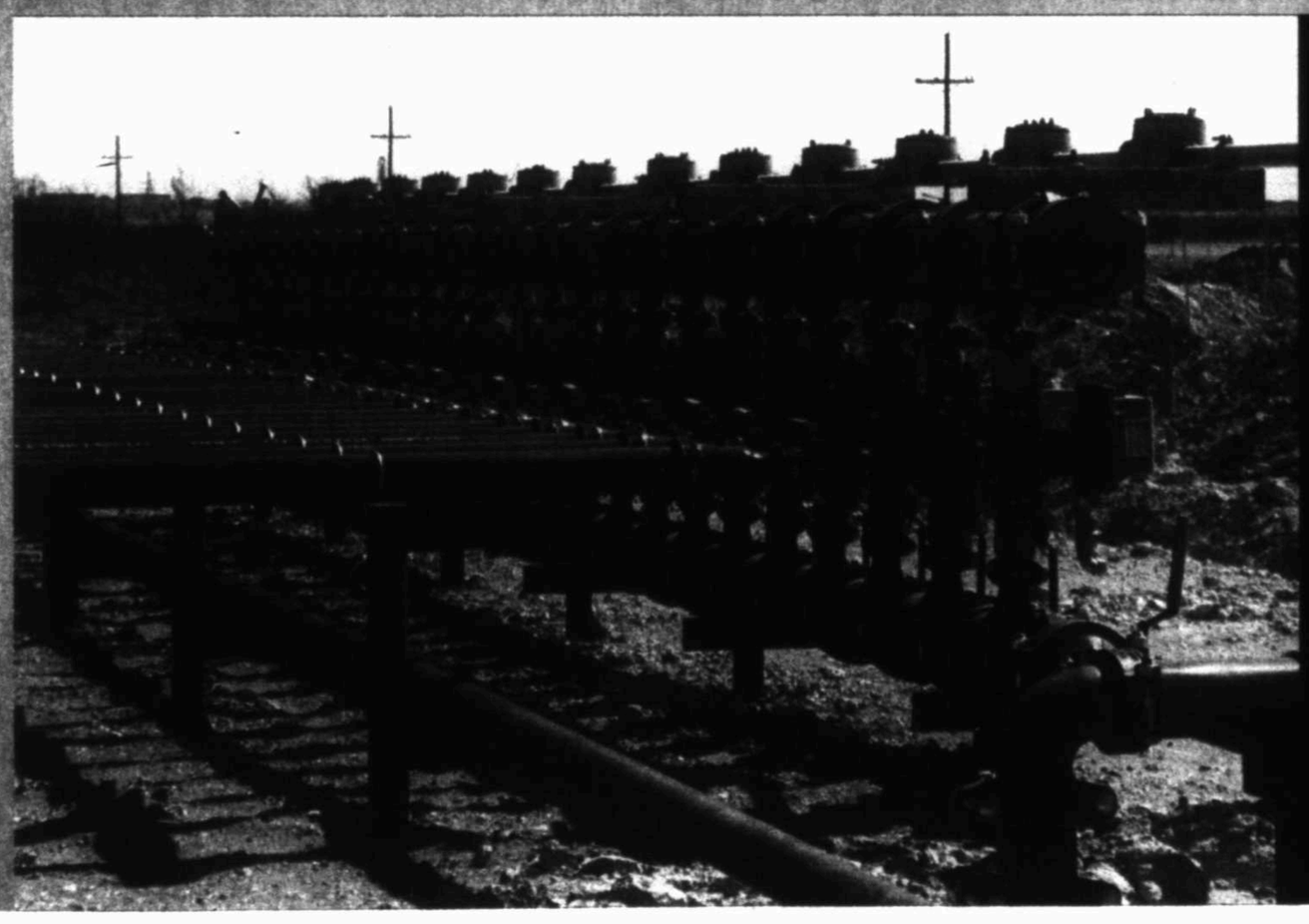

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FIML NATURAL RESOURCES, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 61E CAT CLAW, 1991 FNL 652 FWL, SEC 61 BLK 1, T&P SUR., A-616 10000', 26 NW MERTZON

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Reagan County

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO. GRIERSON SPRNG (STRWN) (O/G) DRILL Well# 7091 UNIVERSITY BL, 950 FSL 870 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 7, UL SUR., A-U121 9500', 11 SW BIG LAKE

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LAREDO PETROLEUM - DALLAS, INC ROBLE GRANDE (STRWN) (O/G) DRILL (WDFRD) Well# 130J HOLT E, 2100 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 130 BLK 2, T&P/JM WYATT SUR., A-868 12000', 28 NE BIG LAKE

Runnels County

WISHBONE TX OPER. CO. LLC MOTLEY (MISSISSIPPIAN) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 DAVIS, 467 FWL 467 FSL, SEC 8, EL&RR/JM YOUNG SUR., A-1087 5000', 2 SE WINTERS

Schleicher County

HIGHMOUNT E&P TEXAS LLC NE OZONA (CANYON) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H UNIVERSITY 54 5, 130 FSL 970 FWL, SEC 5 BLK 54, UL SUR., A-U40 7500', 22 NW ELDORADO

HIGHMOUNT E&P TEXAS LLC NE OZONA (CANYON) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H UNIVERSITY 54 5, 130 FSL 990 FWL, SEC 5 BLK 54, UL SUR., A-U40 7000', 22 NW ELDORADO

Sutton County

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HIGHMOUNT E&P TEXAS LLC FAWCETT (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 6 MAYER 36, 500 FSL 500 FEL, SEC 36 BLK D, GC&SF/S MAYER SUR., A-1496 8350', 10 W SONORA

Upton County

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APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 MCELROY 138, 1980 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 138 BLK E, CCSD&RGNG/ RS WINDHAM SUR., A-1307 11200', 10 SE CRANE

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3HU MILLER 36, 202 FNL 2000 FEL, SEC 36 BLK 39 T5S, T&P/ JH FINE SUR., A-1185 9300', 25 NE RANKIN

COG OPERATING, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 9 NEAL RANCH 42, 660 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 42 BLK 40 T5S, T&P/WW BRUNSON SUR., A-1384 10700', 21 NW RANKIN

COG OPERATING, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 8 POWELL 31, 660 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 31 BLK 40 T5S, T&P SUR., A-467 12000', 22 NW RANKIN

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 5H NEAL E UNIT 8, 1238 FEL 386 FSL, SEC 9 BLK A, EL&RR SUR., A-548 9900', 3 NE RANKIN

MARSHFIELD O&G, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H STONE, 1148 FEL 1190 FNL, SEC 2, GC&SF/SO RATLIFF SUR., A-1040 11000', 4 SE RANKIN

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MARSHFIELD O&G, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H STONE, 444 FEL 2410 FSL, SEC 52, GC&SF/JH JOHNSON SUR., A-1241 11000', 3 SE RANKIN

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC DAVIS (PENNSYLVANIAN) (O/G) DRILL Well# 7 JRS FARMS 24A, 1456 FWL 838 FNL, SEC 24 BLK 39 T5S, T&P SUR., A-1415 13000', 5 SW MIDKIFF

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PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2096H XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 5047 FNL 467 FWL, THROCKMORTON CSL/LGE 3 SUR., A-544 9670', 16 NW RANKIN

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CAPSTONE NATURAL RES., LLC N SHAFTER LAKE (SA) (O) DRILL Well# 6 FISHER, 909 FWL 990 FNL, SEC 16 BLK A36, PSL/MRS M HENSON SUR., A-1959 4700', 8 N ANDREWS

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CLEARFORK PRODUCTION, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 BIG MAX 13, 801 FWL 2122 FSL, SEC 13 BLK A44, L PENCE/ W AYCOCK SUR., A-1663 9900', 4 SE ANDREWS

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP BEDFORD (DEVONIAN) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 6 STATE OF TEXAS J, 430 FWL 2328 FSL, SEC 42 BLK 9, UL SUR., A-U278 12320', 11 SW ANDREWS

FASKEN OIL AND RANCH, LTD. W LOWE (STRAWN) (O) DRILL Well# 912 FEE AL, 2310 FSL 1750 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 41 T2N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-194 12000', 9 SE ANDREWS

FORGE ENERGY, LLC N SHAFTER LAKE (SA) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1W UL 13 JAFFREY, 880 FWL 600 FSL, SEC 23 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U415 9000', 14 NW ANDREWS

J. CLEO THOMPSON MEANS (O) DRILL Well# 4014 WEST MEANS (GRBG-SAN AND) UNIT, 5 FSL 1950 FWL, SEC 15 BLK A35, PSL/JF BUSTIN SUR., A-694 5000', 8 NW ANDREWS

J. CLEO THOMPSON MEANS (O) DRILL Well# 2218A WEST MEANS (GRAYBURG-SAN AND) UN, 2620 FSL 1970 FEL, SEC 16 BLK A35, PSL/JM MOORMAN SUR., A-1169 5000', 8 NW ANDREWS

J. CLEO THOMPSON MEANS (O) DRILL Well# 208 WEST MEANS (GRBG-SAN AND) UNIT, 1200 FNL 1980 FWL, SEC 16 BLK A35, PSL/ JM MOORMAN SUR., A-1169 5000', 8 NW ANDREWS

RELIANCE ENERGY, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1HW MABEE 240B, 2590 FSL 15 FEL, SEC 2 BLK 40 T2N, T&P/ JB FORD SUR., A-731 10200', 16 SE ANDREWS

RING ENERGY, INC. BLOCK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL Well# 1 ACU 5, 330 FNL 330 FWL, SEC 5 BLK A35, PSL/RD HOOKS SUR., A-954 5100', 10 NW ANDREWS

RING ENERGY, INC. BLOCK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL Well# 2 ACU 5, 990 FNL 330 FWL, SEC 5 BLK A35, PSL/RD HOOKS SUR., A-954 5100', 10 NW ANDREWS

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SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 8122 SOUTH FUHRMAN MASCHO UNIT, 2243 FNL 2228 FWL, SEC 8 BLK 10, UNIV LAND SUR. 5000', 14 SW ANDREWS

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Crane County

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COG OPERATING, LLC W FORD (WOLFCAMP) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1SW GRISSOM, 1700 FNL 1700 FWL, SEC 18 BLK 58 T1S, T&P/ WN ROGERS SUR., A-2062 7000', 52 NE PECOS

COG OPERATING, LLC SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2001H BACKSWING, 531 FNL 190 FEL, SEC 20 BLK 59 T1S, T&P/ ES GRAHAM JR SUR., A-6989 8500', 54 NW PECOS

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APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2701 AUGUSTA BARROW, 600 FNL 600 FWL, SEC 27 BLK 42 T1S, T&P SUR., A-97 12200', 9 N ODESSA

APACHE CORPORATION LOWE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1401H AUGUSTA BARROW, 433 FNL 935 FEL, SEC 23 BLK 42 T1S, T&P SUR., A-95 11500', 10 N ODESSA

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1601 AUGUSTA BARROW, 467 FSL 1100 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 42 T1S, T&P/JE GRAHAM SUR., A-552 12200', 10 N ODESSA

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SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC GOLDSMITH (O) (RECOMP) Well# 43 CVX 6B, 1055 FSL 440 FWL, SEC 6 BLK 44 T2S, T&P/F VEST SUR., A-823 6100', 8 NW PENWELL

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC GOLDSMITH (O) (RECOMP) Well# 38 CVX 6B, 560 FSL 560 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 44 T2S, T&P/F VEST SUR., A-823 6200', 8 NW PENWELL

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC GOLDSMITH (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 21H PARKER MINERALS 4, 5 FSL 2275 FWL, SEC 4 BLK 44 T2S, T&P/F VEST SUR., A-825 6700', 8 NW PENWELL

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC GOLDSMITH (O) (RECOMP) Well# 12 CVX 43B, 990 FWL 1650 FNL, SEC 43 BLK 44 T1S, T&P SUR., A-291 6100', 8 SW GOLDSMITH

XTO ENERGY INC. LAWSON (SAN ANDRES) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 1508 CA GOLDSMITH ETAL, 1320 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 33 BLK 44 T1S, T&P SUR., A-286 6300', 8 SW GOLDSMITH

Glasscock County

ADVENTURE EXPL PRTNRS II, LLC NW GARDEN CITY(STRWN) (O) DRILL Well# 1A BRUNSON 6, 467 FNL 1972 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 35 T3S, T&P/PW COOK SUR., A-958 12000', 14 NW GARDEN CITY

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 GREATWHITE 44, 467 FNL 1787 FWL, SEC 44 BLK 33 T3S, T&P/ JT PERSON SUR., A-1215 10700', 3 E GARDEN CITY

ATHLON FE OPERATING LLC STA (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 14 ED BOOKS 13, 1088 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 13 BLK 34 T5S, T&P SUR., A-271 10100', 10 S GARDEN CITY

ATHLON FE OPERATING LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2703H LAWSON, 2247 FSL 330 FWL, SEC 27 BLK 34 T5S, T&P SUR., A-278 8000', 12 S GARDEN CITY

HANNATHON PETROLEUM, LLC DEWEY LAKE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 MCCAULEY 6, 467 FWL 1980 FNL, SEC 6 BLK 34 T3S, T&P/ LH HILLGER SUR., A-809 11000', 10 NW GARDEN CITY

HIGH ROLLER WELLS, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1 HIGHROLLER GLASSCOCK SWD #1, 417 FSL 297 FWL, SEC 18 BLK 34 T5S, T&P/LC FAGAN SUR., A-1202 6000', 11 SW GARDEN CITY

LAREDO PETROLEUM - DALLAS, INC ROBLE GRANDE (STRWN) (O/G) DRILL (WDFRD) Well# 15A L SCHAEFER OIL UNIT, 500 FNL 500 FEL, SEC 15 BLK 34 T5S, N BOHANNAN SUR., A-1132 11000', 31 N BIG LAKE

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC. S GARDEN CITY(WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 LPI-GLASS 34A, 860 FNL 660 FWL, SEC 34 BLK 34 T4S, T&P SUR., A-1164 12000', 5 S GARDEN CITY

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3308HU JE COX, 2372 FSL 1155 FEL, SEC 33, T&P SUR., A-281 11000', 13 S GARDEN CITY

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC. S GARDEN CITY(WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 LPI-SQUIRE 45A, 561 FNL 2421 FEL, SEC 45 BLK 33 T2S, T&P SUR., A-121 12000', 11 NE GARDEN CITY

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 5 WEYMAN 26, 1980 FNL 1980 FWL, SEC 26 BLK 36 T3S, T&P/ F STRIPLIN SUR., A-1058 11185', 14 NW GARDEN CITY

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 FRED B HOUSTON 10, 467 FWL 2257 FNL, SEC 10 BLK 35 T2S, T&P/ AL HOUSTON SUR., A-817 11000', 17 NW GARDEN CITY

QUANTUM RES. MGMNT, LLC S GARDEN CITY (FSLMN) (G) DRILL Well# 6 GLASS, 467 FWL 721 FNL, SEC 10 BLK 33 T5S, T&P/WJ JOLLY SUR., A-1016 10250', 10 SE GARDEN CITY

RANGE PRODUCTION CO SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 301H EDMONDSON A, 2320 FSL 1777 FWL, SEC 30 BLK 32 T5S, T&P/ WJ MEDLIN SUR., A-1026 10000', 13 SE GARDEN CITY

RANGE PRODUCTION CO. S GARDEN CITY(WLFCMP) (O/G)DRILL(HORZ)(36)(37) Well# 291H EDMONDSON A, 2640 FSL 1500 FWL, SEC 29 BLK 32 T5S, T&P SUR., A-95 10000', 14 SW GARDEN CITY

GLASSCOCK - TRILOGY OPERATING INC. PAUL PAGE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 VE PHILLIPS, 2300 FNL 1400 FWL, SEC 9 BLK 32 T2S, T&P SUR., A-65 12000', 14 NE GARDEN CITY

Howard County

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 SPENCER TRUST 20, 467 FSL 1000 FEL, SEC 20 BLK 31 T2N, T&P/ JE MCCARTY SUR., A-1159 9400', 13 NW COAHOMA

ATHLON FE OPERATING LLC HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 HORTON 33, 467 FNL 1709 FWL, SEC 33 BLK 31 T2N, T&P SUR., A-192 10000', 12 NE BIG SPRING

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 GUITAR 28, 467 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 28 BLK A, BAUER & COCKRELL SUR., A-577 12000', 5 S KNOTT

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 2 HOOPSNAKE 23, 1980 FWL 660 FSL, SEC 23 BLK 35 T1S, T&P SUR., A-541 11000', 11 W ELBOW

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC. S GARDEN CITY(WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 TEX 8C UNIT, 660 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 8 BLK 33 T2S, T&P/CA BALLARD SUR., A-1112 12000', 16 NW GARDEN CITY

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC. S GARDEN CITY(WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 TEX 8B UNIT, 1866 FSL 1533 FWL, SEC 8 BLK 33 T2S, T&P/ CA BALLARD SUR., A-1112 12000', 16 NW GARDEN CITY

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC MOORE (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 2142 TURNER A, 1970 FWL 660 FSL, SEC 21 BLK 33 T1S, T&P SUR., A-368 10500', 1 NW ELBOW

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC MOORE (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 2743 PATTERSON, 660 FSL 2040 FEL, SEC 27 BLK 33 T1S, T&P SUR., A-371 10490', 1/2 NE ELBOW

Loving County

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 5HN THRESHER 55-1-23, 300 FSL 2005 FWL, SEC 23 BLK 55 T1, T&P SUR., A-103 14000', 13 NE ORLA

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H JOHNSON RANCH 1-49, 390 FEL 660 FNL, SEC 48 BLK 1, W&NW/ WD JOHNSON SUR., A-1104 14000', 19 N PECOS

SHELL WESTERN E&P PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H JOHNSON 1-88 LOV, 424 FSWL 1144 FSEL, SEC 88 BLK 1, W&NW/ WD JOHNSON SUR., A-1107 12200', 4 NE MENTONE

SHELL WESTERN E&P SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H OWENS 1-75 LOV, 353 FSWL 1296 FNWL, SEC 75 BLK 1, W&NW SUR., A-192 14500', 4 NE MENTONE

SHELL WESTERN E&P SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 5HS THORPE 1-74 LOV, 353 FNEL 1316 FNWL, SEC 75 BLK 1, W&NW SUR., A-192 14500', 4 NE MENTONE

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DEVELOPMENT WELLS

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Martin County

HIBERNIA RESOURCES, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (INJ) Well# D 1-DOROTHY FAYE K, 2148 FNL 823 FWL, SEC 319, GARZA CSL/LAB 14 SUR., A-998 6000', 11 W TARZAN

LINN OPERATING, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 61P HILL, 663 FSL 467 FEL, SEC 61 BLK A, BAUER & COCKRELL SUR., A-337 12000', 21 NW BIG SPRING

PIEDRA OPERATING, LLC LOWE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 31 HOLT RANCH, 660 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 246, HARTLEY CSL SUR., A-600 12500', 10 NW TARZAN

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 8 RUFUS, 1980 FNL 660 FWL, SEC 15 BLK 35 T3N, T&P SUR., A-91 10900', 25 N STANTON

RK PETR CORP. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 2 DUBOSE, 2138 FSL 1720 FEL, SEC 7 BLK 36 T2N, T&P SUR., A-154 10900', 4 NE TARZAN

W & T OFFSHORE, INC. BLOCK 6 (MISSISSIPPIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 1 CEREZA, 467 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 259, BORDEN CSL SUR., A-590 12000', 5 SW PATRICIA

Midland County

ATHLON FE OPERATING LLC PARKS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 MAURER, 467 FNL 1787 FEL, SEC 43 BLK 36 T2S, T&P SUR., A-536 10500', 17 SE MIDLAND

CALLON PETRO. OPERATING CO. SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 1WS AMANDA, 2020 FSL 516 FEL, SEC 12 BLK 41 T2S, T&P/WC WARREN SUR., A-1434 1650', 11 SW MIDLAND

CALLON PETRO. OPERATING CO. SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 1WS KENDRA, 2187 FNL 670 FWL, SEC 1 BLK 41 T2S, T&P SUR., A-346 1700', 11 SW MIDLAND

CALLON PETRO. OPERATING CO. W LOWE (STRAWN) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 2 AMANDA, 1788 FSL 619 FWL, SEC 12 BLK 41 T2S, T&P/WC WARREN SUR., A-1434 10900', 11 SW MIDLAND

DIAMONDBACK E&P LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 502H ST S, 393 FSL 1716 FEL, SEC 44 BLK 40 T1S, T&P/W LARGENT SUR., A-800 10500', 5 SW MIDLAND

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP PARSLEY (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 9 MABEE, 1916 FEL 650 FSL, SEC 23 BLK 38 T1S, T&P SUR., A-1240 12000', 6 NW GREENWOOD

Pecos County

THORP PETR. CORP. HOEFS T-K (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL Well# 1 KENNEDY STATE 168, 578 FSL 1943 FEL, SEC 168 BLK 3, T&P/TP KENNEDY SUR., A-8504 7000', 25 SW FORT STOCKTON

WHITING O&G CORP. WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) (HORZ) (RCMP) Well# 101H STEWART, 467 FWL 467 FSL, SEC 1 BLK 49 T8S, T&P SUR., A-946 15000', 26 NW FORT STOCKTON

Reeves County

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H MAKO STATE 3-6, 6042 FWL 685 FSL, SEC 6 BLK 3, H&GN SUR. 14000', 5 SW MENTONE

ATLANTIC EXPL., LLC WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H CABRITO STATE, 200 FNL 500 FEL, SEC 26 BLK 6, H&GN/JD CASSELL SUR., A-3977 14000', 5 SE PECOS

EOG RESOURCES, INC. PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1105H APACHE STATE 57, 250 FSL 1225 FEL, SEC 11 BLK 57, PSL/BG SMITH SUR., A-2469 11000', 17 SE ORLA

EOG RESOURCES, INC. PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1104H APACHE STATE 57, 250 FSL 1255 FEL, SEC 11 BLK 57, PSL/BG SMITH SUR., A-2469 11000', 17 SE ORLA

OXY USA WTP LP WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 RYMAN 14, 687 FSL 1870 FWL, SEC 14 BLK 51 T7S, T&P/WE POER SUR., A-1348 13000', 13 SE PECOS

OXY USA, INC. COLLIE (DELAWARE) (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 10 MATTHEWS CAMP A, 10059 FSWL 1216 FNWL, SEC 3 BLK 6, H&GN SUR., A-13 6800', 3 E PECOS

OXY USA, INC. WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 603 VERDA, 1200 FNL 590 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 50 T8S, T&P/BM BATEMAN SUR., A-1918 13500', 19 S PECOS

OXY USA, INC. WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 204 TOTSY, 975 FNL 630 FEL, SEC 2 BLK 51 T8S, T&P/JA SCOTT SUR., A-2447 13500', 18 S PECOS

OXY USA, INC. WOLFBONE (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 4 GIGI STATE 12, 660 FNL 2180 FWL, SEC 12 BLK 51 T7S, T&P/ MRS MJ BROWN SUR., A-1946 13500', 12 SE PECOS

OXY USA, INC. COLLIE (DELAWARE) (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 11 MATTHEWS CAMP A, 9342 FSWL 1288 FNWL, SEC 3 BLK 6, H&GN SUR., A-13 8000', 3 E PECOS

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 CITY OF PECOS 24, 1980 FWL 990 FNL, SEC 24 BLK 5, H&GN/JN NEWELL SUR., A-1460 13500', 3 S PECOS

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 RIFLEMAN 191, 1980 FWL 1980 FNL, SEC 191 BLK 13, H&GN SUR., A-305 13500', 14 S PECOS

Sterling County

OXY USA, INC. S GARDEN CITY (WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1022H BELLOWS, 1860 FNL 674 FWL, SEC 102 BLK 6, H&TC/O CAIN SUR., A-1170 9000', 7 S STERLING CITY

Ward County

CIMAREX ENERGY CO. PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H WINCHESTER 34-142, 200 FNEL 1980 FNWL, SEC 142 BLK 34, H&TC/ E VICKERS SUR., A-1271 11180', 10 SW PYOTE

SHELL WESTERN E&P PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4H BLACKTIP 1-21 WRD UNIT, 275 FNEL 467 FSEL, SEC 21 BLK 1, W&NW SUR., A-330 12000', 12 N BARSTOW

SUNDOWN ENERGY LP WAGON WHEELER (PENN) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3039 HUTCINGS STOCK ASSN, 660 FNL 2006 FEL, SEC 2 BLK F, G&MMB&A SUR., A-102 11000', 1 NE WICKETT

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Borden County

APACHE CORPORATION SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H BEAVER 352, 200 FSL 550 FWL, SEC 352 BLK 97, H&TC/ JH WHITE SUR., A-1040 7850', 14 NE GAIL

Dawson County

W & T OFFSHORE, INC. BLOCK 6 (MISSISSIPPIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 1501 BEAUJOLAIS B, 475 FNL 475 FWL, LOVING CSL/LEAGUE 271/LABOR 15 SUR., A-411 12000', 9 NW PATRICIA

W & T OFFSHORE, INC. BLOCK 6 (MISSISSIPPIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 1401 BEAUJOLAIS B, 475 FSL 475 FWL, LOVING CSL/LEAGUE 271/LABOR 14 SUR., A-411 12000', 8 NW PATRICIA

W & T OFFSHORE, INC. BLOCK 6 (MISSISSIPPIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 1301 BEAUJOLAIS, 475 FSL 475 FEL, LOVING CSL/LAB 13/LEAG 271 SUR., A-411 12000', 7 NW PATRICIA

WJC, INC. N ACKERLY (CANYON) (O) DRILL Well# 1 PERRY, 735 FWL 1500 FSL, SEC 47 BLK 34 T4N, T&P SUR., A-63 12000', 3 N ACKERLY

Gaines County

FORGE ENERGY, LLC STOCKYARD (SA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2413 BARRACUDA, 1580 FWL 600 FSL, SEC 13 BLK A11, PSL/JD CHESSER SUR., A-382 9200', 20 W SEMINOLE

Hockley County

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. SLAUGHTER (O) (RECOMP) Well# 109 NORTHWEST MALLET UNIT, 580 FNL 510 FEL, EDWARDS CSL LEAGUE 47 LABOR 22 STATE SUR., A-164 5400', 6 NW SUNDOWN

ROCKER A OPERATING, CO. LEEPER (GLORIETA) (O) DRILL Well# 211 YOUNG-PACE A, 1449 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 33, BAYLOR CSL SUR., A-5 6700', 12 S LEVELLAND

ROCKER A OPERATING, CO. LEEPER (GLORIETA) (O) DRILL Well# 4 GREENLEE ET AL A, 150 FWL 75 FSL, BAYLOR CSL LGE 33 LAB 11 SUR., A-5 6700', 12 S LEVELLAND

King County

CHOLLA PETR., INC. BUZZARD PEAK (CADDO) (O) DRILL Well# 22 FW THORMAN, 1102 FNWL 2087 FSWL, SEC 71 BLK 13, H&TC SUR., A-114 5999', 11 W KNOX CITY

Scurry County

SHARP IMAGE ENERGY, INC. JZE (ELLENBURGER) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 1 TONTO NORTH 443, 487 FSL 2060 FWL, SEC 443 BLK 97, H&TC/ JH CHAMBERS SUR., A-1919 8000', 7 NE SNYDER

SHARP IMAGE ENERGY, INC. TONTO (CISCO B SAND) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 3 TONTO B, 929 FEL 2171 FNL, SEC 23 BLK 1, JP SMITH SUR., A-478 7800', 8 N SNYDER

SHARP IMAGE ENERGY, INC. TONTO (STRAWN) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 1 TONTO, 582 FSL 1042 FWL, SEC 387 BLK 97, H&TC/TC DAVIS SUR., A-2960 7800', 7 N SNYDER

Yoakum County

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 5828 DENVER UNIT, 495 FSL 5915 FEL, SEC 38 BLK AX, PSL/G BOND SUR., A-1772 5800', 2 SE DENVER CITY

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. WASSON (O/G) DRILL Well# 3366 BENNETT RANCH UNIT, 69 FNL 1628 FWL, SEC 631 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ PH MASON SUR., A-553 5700', 10 NE DENVER CITY

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 3369 BENNETT RANCH UNIT, 2150 FNL 1336 FEL, SEC 631 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ PH MASON SUR., A-553 5700', 10 NE DENVER CITY

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. WASSON (O/G) DRILL Well# 3370 BENNETT RANCH UNIT, 781 FEL 1879 FNL, SEC 631 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ PH MASON SUR., A-553 5700', 10 NE DENVER CITY

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. WASSON (O/G) DRILL Well# 3372 BENNETT RANCH UNIT, 540 FNL 1847 FWL, SEC 631 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ PH MASON SUR., A-553 5700', 10 NE DENVER CITY

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 3368 BENNETT RANCH UNIT, 1752 FSL 2256 FWL, SEC 631 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ PH MASON SUR., A-553 5700', 10 NE DENVER CITY

OXY USA WTP LP WASSON (O/G) DRILL Well# 112D WILLARD UNIT, 1147 FNL 732 FEL, SEC 763 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-100 5900', 5 N DENVER CITY

OXY USA WTP LP WASSON (O/G) DRILL Well# 110D WILLARD UNIT, 1449 FNL 1952 FWL, SEC 763 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-100 5900', 5 N DENVER CITY

OXY USA WTP LP WASSON (O/G) DRILL Well# 129C WILLARD UNIT, 389 FNL 1789 FWL, SEC 763 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-100 5900', 5 N DENVER CITY

OXY USA WTP LP WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 89X WILLARD UNIT, 1968 FSL 1456 FWL, SEC 763 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-100 5900', 4 NE DENVER CITY

OXY USA WTP LP WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 110C WILLARD UNIT, 2143 FNL 2509 FWL, SEC 763 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-100 5900', 4 N DENVER CITY

OXY USA WTP LP WASSON (O/G) DRILL Well# 111D WILLARD UNIT, 1152 FNL 2022 FEL, SEC 763 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-100 5900', 5 N DENVER CITY

OXY USA WTP LP WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 131A WILLARD UNIT, 281 FNL 1873 FEL, SEC 763 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-100 5900', 5 N DENVER CITY

OXY USA WTP LP WASSON (O/G) DRILL Well# 112B WILLARD UNIT, 2207 FNL 890 FEL, SEC 763 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-100 5900', 5 N DENVER CITY

New Mexico

Eddy County

Yates Petroleum Corp. Marcel BMM Federal #2 County Line Tank; Sec 6 T16S R30E; 2310/N & 150/W; 10 mi NW Maljamar; Rot 12227 Abo; API #30-015-41677

COG Operating LLC Houma Pawnee State Com #2 Loco Hills; Sec 16 T17S R30E; 2054/N & 247/E; 1 mi N Loco Hills; Rot 5527 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-41668

COG Operating LLC Juniper Harper State Com #4 Loco Hills; Sec 16 T17S R30E; 783/S & 155/E; 1 mi N Loco Hills; Rot 12077 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-41669

Apache Corp. NFE Federal #31 Cedar Lake; Sec 7 T18S R31E; 1430/S & 432/E; 6 mi SE Loco Hills; Rot 4980 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-41671

Apache Corp. NFE Federal #32 Cedar Lake; Sec 7 T17S R31E; 1495/S & 432/E; 5 mi NE Loco Hills; Rot 10618 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-41672

Apache Corp. NFE Federal #33 Cedar Lake; Sec 7 T17S R31E; 1560/S & 432/E; 5 mi NE Loco Hills; Rot 11219 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-41673

COG Operating LLC Pinto 36 State #8 Penasco Draw; Sec 36 T18S R25E; 150/S & 330/E; 6 mi NW Lakewood; Rot 7371 SA/Yeso; API #30-015-41667

COG Operating LLC Sherman "4" Fee #6 Atoka; Sec 4 T19S R26E; 150/S & 2260/W; 4 mi NW Lakewood; Rot 7630 Yeso; API #30-015-41666

Mewbourne Oil Co. Ruger 31 LI Fed #1 Winchester; Sec 31 T19S R29E; 1950/S & 50/W; 14 mi NE Carlsbad; Rot 13310 Bone Spring; API #30-015-41679

Chi Operating Inc. Winchester 3 Fed Com #5 Old Millman Ranch; Sec 3 T20S R28E; 330/N & 660/W; 13 mi SE Lakewood; Rot 11702 Bone Spring; API #30-015-41678

COG Operating Inc. Really Scary Federal #4 Willow Lake; Sec 33 T24S R28E; 250/S & 2293/E; 3 mi SW Malaga; Rot 12674 Bone Spring; API #30-015-41670

RKI Exploratin & Production LLC RDX 21 Federal #5 E Brushy Draw; Sec 21 T26S R30E; 200/N & 510/E; 17 mi SE Malaga; Rot 12674 Delaware; API #30-015-41675

RKI Exploration & Production LLC RDX 21 Federal #6 E Brushy Draw; Sec 21 T26S R30E; 225/N & 510/E; 17 mi SE Malaga; Rot 12265 Delaware; API #30-015-41674

Lea County

CML Exploration LLC Beams 15 State #3 Sanimal; Sec 15 T17S R33E; 352/N & 2094/E; 7 mi SE Maljamar; Rot 13000 Penn; API #30-025-41407

COG Operating LLC Ringo 32 Fed Com #1 S Lusk; Sec 32 T19S R32E; 330/S & 490/E; 5 mi NW Halfway; Rot 14521 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41411

Yates Petroleum Corp. Date BTB State Com #1 N Berry; Sec 14 T21S R33E; 200/N & 760/W; 12 1/2 mi SE Halfway; Rot 16298 Bone Spring; API 30-025-41404

Yates Petroleum Corp. Date BTB State Com #2 N Berry; Sec 14 T21S R33E; 200/N & 1880/W; 12 1/2 mi SE Halfway; Rot 16296 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41405

Yates Petroleum Corp. Date BTB St Com #3 N Berry; Sec 11 T21S R33E; 200/S & 1880/E; 12 mi SE Halfway; Rot 16709 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41406

Yates Petroleum Corp. Cranberry BSU St Com #4 N Berry; Sec 14 T21S R33E; 200/N & 660/W; 12 1/2 mi SE Halfway; Rot 16691 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41403

Cimarex Energy Co. Thyme APY Fed #5 Red Tank; Sec 1 T23S R 32E; 330/N & 990/W; 16 mi SE Halfway; Rot 14087 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41420

Cimarex Energy Co. Thyme APY Fed #6 Red Tank; Sec 1 T23S R32E; 330/N & 1880/W; 16 mi SE Halfway; Rot 15314 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41421

EOG Resources Inc. Falcon 25 Federal #2 N Red Hills; Sec 25 T24S R33E; 250/S & 1050/W; 5 mi W Ochoa; Rot 14969 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41418

EOG Resources Inc. Hawk 25 Federal #2 N Red Hills; Sec 25 T24S R33E; 250/S & 1020/W; 5 mi W Ochoa; Rot 14046 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41419

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Ring Energy updates operations

From Staff Reports

Midland-based Ring Energy Inc. announced its operations update for the fourth quarter of 2013.

In the last three months of 2013, Ring drilled 17 development wells, 15 of which were completed and placed in production by year-end. The remaining two development wells are in varying stages of completion and will be placed in production in early 2014. In addition, the company performed three re-fracs and re-completions in the fourth quarter of 2013.

For the full year of 2013, Ring drilled 40 development wells, with 38 wells being completed and placed in production by year-end. The company had a 100 percent success rate on development wells drilled and completed in 2013. The company also performed 18 re-fracs and re-completions in 2013.

As a result of the continuing development program, net production for the quarter ended Dec. 31, 2013 was approximately 64,010 BOEs (Barrel of Oil Equivalent), as compared to net production of 9,712 BOEs for the same quarter in 2012, a 559 percent increase, and as compared to 29,527 BOEs for the third quarter 2013, an increase of approximately 117 percent. December 2013 net daily production was approximately 806 BOEs, as compared to daily production of 114 BOEs in December 2012, an increase of 607 percent. Total production for 2013 was approximately 121,695 BOEs compared to 25,172 BOEs for 2012, a 383 percent increase.

Ring also announced a capital expenditure budget for 2014 of $90 million.

Tim Rochford, Ring's chairman stated, "This budget reflects the company's plans to accelerate the present development schedule of its operations in its Permian Basin properties. The budget includes the drilling of a minimum of 105 development wells, multiple workovers and re-stimulations of existing wells, continued leasing activity, infrastructure additions and improvements. The budget will be funded by proceeds from our recently completed public stock offering, increasing cash flow from operations and current credit facility. Ring has not budgeted for acquisitions; however, the company continues to actively pursue future acquisition opportunities."

Kelly Hoffman, Ring's chief executive officer, stated, "The development program we implemented in June, 2013 resulted in more than tripling our production from 2012. Our operations and field personnel have done a tremendous job of lowering costs and improving efficiencies. We initially projected drilling 30-35 new development wells and ended up drilling 40 in 2013. Also, we exceeded our initial projection of re-fracs and restimulations of existing wells. As we begin 2014, we are encouraged by the results we are seeing and have budgeted a second drilling rig to be on site by mid-year. In addition, we anticipate drilling our first vertical well in Kansas in February under the joint development agreement we entered into with Torchlight Energy Resources, Inc. in October, 2013. Although we are focusing our efforts on increasing our leased acreage position and the development of our current leases, we will continue to actively pursue strategic acquisitions in 2014 that compliment our existing properties."

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Texas RRCD 7C

Tom Green County

Elco Oil & Gas
Canning #3
Hall (San Andres); 330 fnel, 1135 fsel, Sec 233, Abst. 3933, F. Folmar, 5 w Carlsbad; TD 714; Comp 12/27/2013; producing from 710-714, treated with acid; pump 6 BO, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-451-32800

Texas RRCD 8

Andrews County

SandRidge Exploration & Production LLC
University "13-34" #5
Fuhrman-Mascho; 1650 fnl, 2310 fwl, Sec 34, Blk 13, ULS, 10 sw Andrews; TD 4950; Comp 12/16/2013; producing from 4576-4762, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 40 BO, 10 MCF, 152 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-45713

SandRidge Exploration & Production LLC
University "47A" #21
Fuhrman-Mascho; 330 fwl, 990 fnl, Sec 47, Blk 13, Abst. 439U, ULS, 8 nw Andrews; TD 4854; Comp 12/17/2013; producing from 4480-4654, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 43 BO, 9 MCF, 689 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-45710

Crane County

Henry Resdources LLC
UnivKristin #3012
University 31 West (Upper Devonian); 1980 fsl, 660 fel, Sec 30, Blk 31, Abst. 78U, ULS, 9.8 nw Crane; TD 9960; Comp 12/19/2013; producing from 8211-9841, fracture stimulated; pump 21 BO, 16 MCF, 216 BW, 41 Oil Gravity; API #42-103-36174

Martin County

Occidental Permian Ltd.
South Curtis Ranch #2116H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 390 fnl, 1195 fwl, Sec 21, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 307, T&P RR, 10.4 nw Midland; TD 9751 TVD, 16255 MD; Comp 12/25/2013; producing from 9910-16050, treated with acid; pump 156 BO, 120 MCF, 838 BW, 45 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-38709

Occidental Permian Ltd.
South Curtis Ranch #2111
Spraberry (Trend Area); 3744 fnl, 1947 fwl, Sec 21, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 307, T&P RR, 9.7 nw Midland; TD 10985; Comp 12/31/2013; producing from 8400-10825, treated with acid; pump 33 BO, 17 MCF, 91 BW, 45 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-38865

Ward County

Shell Western E&P
Blacktip "1-21" WRD Unit #3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 510 fnel, 326 fsel, Sec 21, Blk 1, Abst. 330, W&NW RR, 12.4 n Barstow; TD 11455 TVD, 15880 MD; Comp 12/20/2013; producing from 11827-13123, fracture stimulated; flow 418 BO, 591 MCF, 1015 BW on 24/64 inch choke, FTP 1009, 45 Oil Gravity; API #42-475-36480

Texas RRCD 8A

Cochran County

Apache Corporation
F.L. Woodley #94
Slaughter; 1466 fnl, 2484 fel, Sec 57, Labor 10, Abst. 67, Oldham CSL, 7.5 s Whiteface; TD 5097; Comp 12/27/2013; producing from 4946-4997, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 68 BO, 166 MCF, 459 BW, 32.1 Oil Gravity; API #42-079-33289

Apache Corporation
F.L. Woodley #95
Slaughter; 2110 fnl, 1030 fwl, Sec 57, Labor 10, Abst. 67, Oldham CSL, 7.2 s Whiteface; TD 5142; Comp 12/30/2013; producing from 4956-5030, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 148 BO, 91 MCF, 739 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-079-33290

Crosby County

Juno Operating Company II LLC
Clark Wood Ranch #3515
Hoople (Clearfork); 467 fnl, 1980 fel, Sec 1035, Abst. 323, CCSD&RGNG, 10 ne Slaton; TD 4441; Comp 12/16/2013; producing from 4172-4310, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 35 BO, 445 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-107-31602

Kent County

Oxy USA WTP LP
Salt Creek Field Unit #H27
Salt Creek; 921 fsl, 2145 fel, Sec 114, Blk G, Abst. 1285, W&NW RR, 6.5 w Clairemont; TD 6873 TVD, 6940 MD; Comp 12/16/2013; producing from 6484-6659, treated with acid; pump 73 BO, 44 MCF, 1430 BW, 32.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-263-32049

New Mexico

Eddy County

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP
Logari 35 K Federal #15
NE Red Lake; Sec 35 T17S R27E; 1650/S & 2460/W. BHL: 1678/S & 2282/W; EL 3626 GL, TD 4918 MD, PBTD 3900 MD; Spud 7-22-13, Comp 8-14-13; production is through perfs: 3098-3890. IP: 8-26-13 Pump 24 hrs 105 BO, 357 BW, 22 MCF. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 396 w/350 sx, 5 1/2 @ 3910 w/700 sx, 2 7/8 @ 3696; API #30-015-41434

Apache Corp.
State A #62
Artesia; Sec 26 T17S R28E; 1225/N & 2065/E. BHL: 936/N & 2242/E; EL 3682 GL, TD 5848, PBTD 5800; Spud 5-13-13, Comp 6-19-13; production is through treated perfs: 3492-4000, 4087-4886, 5000-5680. Treat: 638,862 gals 20#, 787,843# sd, 13,701 gals acid, 12,390 gals 10#. IP: 7-13-13 Pump 24 hrs 23 BO, 362 BW, 41 MCF, GOR 1783, Gty 38.9. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 416 w/320 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5848 w/1020 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5695; API #30-015-41050

Apache Corp.
A State #64
Artesia; Sec 26 T17S R28E; 1020/N & 350/W. BHL: 353/N & 2291/W; EL 3599 GL, TD 5919, PBTD 5871; Spud 5-22-13, Comp 6-25-13; production is through treated perfs: 3440-4057, 4140-4843, 4985-5610. Treat: 626,320 gals 20#, 793,818# sd, 11,214 gasl acid, 12,138 gals 10# gel. IP: 7-13-13 Pump 24 hrs 32 BO, 459 BW, 37 MCF, GOR 1156, Gty 38.9. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 417 w/310 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5919 w/1010 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5729; API #30-015-41187

Apache Corpl
A State #80
Artesia; Sec 26 T17S R28E; 2210/S & 1650/E; EL 3665 GL, TD 5919, PBTD 5870; Spud 6-20-13, Comp 8-13-13; production is through treated perfs: 3532-4050, 4122-4877, 4955-5655. Treat: 620,046 gasl 20#, 728,827# sd, 13,516 gals acid, 12,138 gals 10#. IP: 8-20-13 Pump 24 hrs 44 BO, 410 BW, 97 MCF, GOR 2205, Gty 40. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 400 w/570 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5915 w/1090 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5779; API #30-015-41022

COG Operating LLC
Burkett 16 State #16
Fren; Sec 16 T17S R31E; 990/N & 1650/E. BHL:981/N & 343/W; EL 3849 GL, TD 91 51 MD, 8714 TVD, PBTD 9070 MD, 8668 TVD; Spud 12-27-12, Comp 4-21-13; production is through treated perfs: 6129-8455, 6386-8858. Treat: Acdz w/49,056 gals 15% NEFE, Frac w/476,129 gas WF, 2,k084,862 gasl gel, 57,940# 100 mesh, 2,763,825# 20/40 brown sd, 530,031# 20/40 CRC. IP: 4-22-13 Pump 24 hrs 195 BO, 934 BW, 147 MCF, GOR 754, Gty 36.2. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 398 w/400 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1817 w/600 sx, 7 @ 5465 w/1250 sx, 4 1/2 8672, 9071, 2 7/8 @ 5249; API #30-015-39950

Apache Corp.
Coffee Federal #12
Cedar Lake; Sec 18 T17S R31E; 1650/N & 2260/W; EL 3736 GL, TD 6400, PBTD 6350; Spud 5-1-13, Comp 6-18-13; production is through treated perfs: 4519-5004, 5082-5595. Treat: 9518 gals acid, 312,858 gals 20#, 411,545# sd, 8232 gasl gel. IP: 8-15-13 Pump 24 hrs 117 BO, 219 BW, 307 MCF, GOR 2624, Gty 37.3. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 395 w/490 sx, 8 5/8 @ 3536 w/2610 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6400 w/930 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5701; API #30-015-40957

SM Energy Co.
Parkway 36 State #4
Parkway; Sec 36 T19S R29E; 660/S & 440/W. BHL: 347/S & 340/E; EL 3330 GL, TD 12591, PBTD 12591; Spud 3-14-13, Comp 5-23-13; production is through treated perfs: 8698-12513. Treat: 35,935 bbls gelled fluid, 1,510,020# 20/40 white sd, 248,860# 20/40 SLC. IP: 6-8-13 Pump 24 hrs 523 BO, 601 BW, 556 MCF, GOR 1063, Gty 43.5. Csg: 20 @ 372 w/1225 sx, 13 3/8 @ 1533 w/1025 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3523 w/1000 sx, 7 @ 8585 w/1050 sx, 4 1/2 @ 8585-12585, 2 7/8 @ 7747; API #30-015-39237

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Burton 4 IL Federal Com #1
Parkway; Sec 4 T20S R29E; 1855/S & 150/E. BHL: 1765/S & 335/W; EL 3329 GL, TD 12550 MD, 7946 TVD, PBTD 12489 MD, 7946 TVD; Spud 4-27-13, Comp 6-24-13; production is through treated perfs: 8421-12489 MD, 7991-7496 TVD. Treat: Frac w/320,948 gals slickwater, 231,281 gasl 20# linear gel, 939,164 gals 20# XL gel carrying 99,820# 100 mesh, 1,670,040# 20/40 sd, 360,800# 20/40 SB excel sd. IP: 6-24-13 Flow 24 hrs 589 BO, 757 BW, 757 MCF, 28/64" Ch, CP 325, GOR 535, Gty 45. Csg: 20 @ 352 w/1515 sx, 13 3/8 @ 1330 w/950 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3258 w/1721 sx, 7 @ 8323 w/1200 sx, 4 1/2 @ 8101-12500; API #30-015-41156

RKI Exploration & Production LLC
Longview 6 Deep Federal #22
Laguna Salado; Sec 1 T23S R28E; 1880/N & 200/E. BHL: 1814/N & 689/W; EL 3088 GL, TD 13212, PBTD 13164; Spud 9-16-12, Comp 2-4-13; production is through treated perfs: 12700-12867. Treat: 86,402 gals proppant, 150,652 20# 20/40 sd. IP: 2-18-13 Flow 24 hrs 0 BO, 19 BW, 310 MCF, 48/64" Ch. Csg; 13 3/8 @ 252 w/250 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4161 w/2100 sx, 7 @ 11633 w/2110 sx, 4 1/2 @ 11278-13211 w/210 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9400; API #30-015-40650

BOPCO LP
PLU Phanton Banks 22 25 30 #1
Corral Canyon; Sec 22 T25S R30E; 325/N & 1980/W. BHL: 333/S & 1974/W; EL 3334 GL, TD 13482 MD, 9088 TVD; Spud 12-1-13, Comp 3-20-13; production is through treated perfs: 9274-13445. Treat: 2450990# sd, 47918 bbls fluid across 9 stages. IP: 3-24-13 Pump 24 hrs 134 BO, 2626 BW, 342 MCF, GOR 2626, Gty 42. Csg; 13 3/8 @ 1312 w/1600 sx, 8 5/8 @ 3958 w/1450 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12471 w/2150 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8666; API #30-015-40763

Devon Energy Production Company LP
Cotton Draw Unit #162
South Cotton Draw; Sec 11 T25S R31E; 330/S & 860/W. BHL: 402/N & 655/W; EL 3394 GL, TD 12612 MD, 8188 TVD, PBTD 12547 MD; Spud 11-15-12, Comp 2-6-13; production is through treated perfs: 8614-12525. Treat: 6 stage Frac; 9118 gals 7.5% HCL, 107,066 gals slick wtr, 55,007# 100 mesh sd, 1,399,836# 20/40 white sd, 429,261# SLC sd. IP: 2-19-13 Pump 24 hrs 216 BO, 2860 BW, 447 MCF, GOR 2069.4444. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 764 w/900 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4335 w/1503 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12594 w/2225 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8210; API #30-015-39730

RKI Exploration & Production LLC
RDX Federal 21 #1
Wildcat; Sec 21 T26S R30E; 330/S & 1500/W; EL 3021 GL, TD 12160, PBTD 12093; Spud 1-24-13, Comp 3-17-13; production is through treated perfs: 8183-12055. Treat: 3,283,300# 100 mesh sd & 40/70 premium white sd, 3,683,981 gals 15% HCL, 25# linear wtr, 25# borate fluid. IP: 4-4-13 Flow 24 hrs 350 BO, 2493 BW, 2180 MCF, 45/64" Ch, CP 900, Gty 52.7. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 720 w/744 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3364 w/1200 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12193 w/1865 sx; API #30-015-40849

RKI Exploration & Production LLC
RDX Federal 21 #21
East Brushy Draw; Sec 21 T26S R30E; 1650/N & 990/W; EL 3014 GL, TD 7376, PBTD 7320; Spud 5-6-13, Comp 7-16-13; production is through treated perfs: 5764-6698, 6741-6894, 6930-6998, 7084-7236. Treat: 14,251# 15% HCL, water, delta frac, 766,445# 16/30 mesh. IP: 7-19-13 Flow 24 hrs 354 BO, 698 BW, 397 MCF, 48/64" Ch, CP 230, Gty 39. Csg; 13 3/8 @ 877 w/1050 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3388 w/1000 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7376 w/898 sx, 5 1/2 @ 2050-7376; API #30-015-41267

RKI Exploration & Production LLC
RDX Federal 21 #43
East Brushy Draw; Sec 21 T26S R30E ; 715/S & 2135/E; EL 3012 GL, TD 7420 ; Spud 3-27-13, Comp 4-26-13; production is through treated perfs: 5666-5868, 5906-6086, 6134-6332, 6406-6586, 6624-6720, 6964-7191. Treat: 695,185 total prop, 484,526 gals 15% HCL, wtr, delta. IP: 4-30-13 Pump 24 hrs 126 BO, 895 BW, 112 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 950 w/1353 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3397 w/1950 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7420 w/805 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5515; API #30-015-40997

Lea County

ConocoPhillips Company
Ruby Federal #10
West Maljamar; Sec 18 T17S R32E; 1140/S & 2310/E; EL 3961 GL, TD 6902, PBTD 6837; Spud 5-15-12, Comp 6-15-12; production is through treated perfs: 5382-5475, 5851-6717. Treat: 15,078 gals 15% HCL, 733,909# proppants. IP: 6-16-12 Flow 24 hrs 5 BO, 488 BW, 2 MCF, gty 39. Csg; 8 5/8 @ 742 w/510 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6883 w/1450 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6722; API #30-025-40507

SM Energy Co.
East Shugart Delaware Unit #29
East Shugart; Sec 19 T18S R32E; 2245/N & 460/W; EL 3707 GL, TD 5500, PBTD 5456; Spud 1-1-13, Comp 2-8-13; production is through treated perfs: 5051-5246 Treat: 74 bbls 15% HCL, 1802 bbls gelled fluid, 91,044# 16/30, 33,634# 16/30 RCS. IP: 2-19-13 Pump 24 hrs 95 BO, 291 BW, 61 MCF, GOR 642, Gty 41.4. Csg; 8 5/8 @ 988 w/510 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5500 w/975 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5330; API #30-025-40870

Occidental Permian Ltd.
Amoco 21 Federal #1
Lusk; Sec 21 T19S R32E; 470/N & 860/E. BHL: 325/S & 592/E; EL 3604 GL, TD 13566 MD, 9384 TVD, PBTD 13585 MD, 9391 TVD; Spud 10-18-12, Comp 2-27-13; production is through treated perfs: 9954-13452. Treat: 17,933 gals 15% HCL acid, 1,344,462 gals, 450,013# 20/40 SLC, 975,560# 20/40 CRC. IP: 3-3-13 Flow 24 hrs 200 BO, 556 BW, 316 MCF, 20/64" Ch, TP 275, GOR 1580, Gty 39. Csg; 20 @ 971 w/2200 sx, 13 3/8 @ 2850 w/2157 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4496 w/1520 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13566 w/2750 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8596; API #30-025-40753

COG Operating LLC
Stratojet 31 State com #2
North Berry; Sec 31 T20S R35E; 390/S & 1980/E. BHL: 4951/S & 2087/E; EL 3711 GL, TD 16290, PBTD 16265; Spud 3-28-13, Comp 6-6-13; production is through treated perfs: 11871-16118, 16170-16180. Treat: Acdz w/33521 gals 7.5%, Frac w/3105630# sd & 2508634 gals fluid. IP: 6-22-13 Flow 24 hrs 570 BO, 533 BW, 334 MCF, Open Ch, TP 400, CP 700. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1846 w/1230 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5800 w/2200 sx, 5 1/2 @ 16272 w/2275 sx, 2 7/8 @ 11156; API #30-025-40970

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ARTQUEST

AT TOP
Dorothy Harris works on a project in the studio space at ArtQuest on Jan. 8.

LEFT
Students work on individual projects in reserved studio space at ArtQuest.

BELOW
Judy Griffin, left, gives instruction to Sandy Patrick of Odessa in the studio space at ArtQuest.

Photos by James Durbin

Artists find their space at ArtQuest

■ Focusing on the individual, Judy Griffin's school offers an outlet for Midland creatives

By Rich Lopez
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If living space is a problem in Midland, then artists may have it twice as bad. Finding large studio spaces can be problematic and potentially expensive for local artists to finish their masterpieces. Enter Judy Griffin to save the day.

As the owner of ArtQuest, Griffin's studio provides not just instruction for budding Picassos, but also space and an outlet for artists who need room to focus on and finish their projects, however large or small. Founded as Whistle Stop Art by Bill Hagerman, Griffin took over ownership last year and her intention was to elevate it into far more than a place to learn to draw.

"I didn't want to keep it as is and I had in mind a bigger direction for it. So we explored other areas and varieties of media while having a strong-based core of instructors that works well together," she said.

Every Thursday from 1 to 4 p.m., artists can reserve studio

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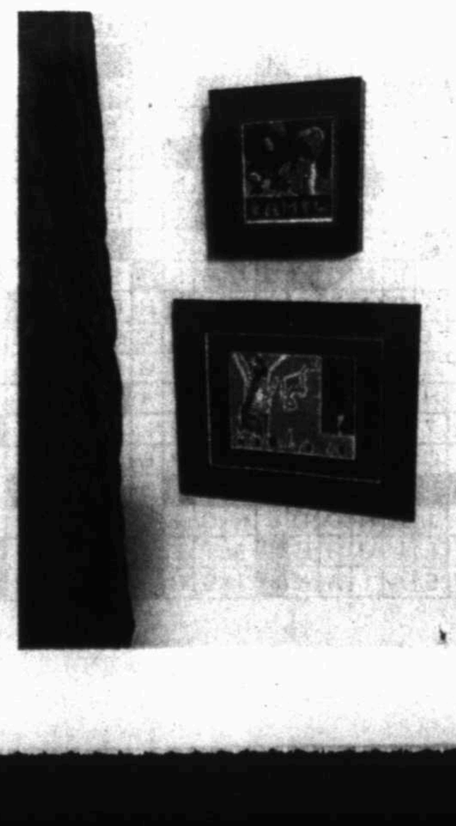

"Print It! The Art of Making Multiples" is on display at the The Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum through March 23.

Rich Lopez
Reporter-Telegram

Children's Museum exhibit features interaction and spotlight on local art

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For younger museumgoers, taking in the displays can create a sense of detachment. They can observe the painting or sculpture in front of them but can they relate? The Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum takes that on from the get go in the new exhibit "Print It! The Art of Making Multiples."

"We wanted everyone to realize that they deal with printmaking every day, so we start with pointing to examples of a print on a T-shirt or even a dollar bill. That way, they can realize how apparent the art is," Annelorre Robertson said.

As the museum's director, Robertson and her team have curated an exhibit that expands beyond something for young audiences. The gallery not only displays local examples of printmaking, but gives a history lesson to the art. "Print It!" offers a well-rounded perspective from the ancient Sumerians to the 1990s between the museum's two main rooms.

Broken into two parts, the educational aspect is immediate featuring historical timelines, tools used from its inception and vocabulary spots. There also will be pieces from the museum's permanent collection serving

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SUNDAY

THE ELLEN NOËL ART MUSEUM: Exhibit: "Inner Vision: Blind Artist and Vietnam Veteran, Michael Naranjo" through March 2. Naranjo lost his eyesight and injured his right hand while serving in the U.S. Army in Vietnam. The artist creates detailed bronze sculptures of animals, Native American dancers, birds, women and Pueblo life. Exhibit: "The Color of Oil: Paintings by Margarete Bagshaw" through March 2. Hours: 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. For more information visit www.noelartmuseum.org or call 550-9696.

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FREDDA TURNER DURHAM CHILDREN'S MUSEUM: Exhibit: "Print It! The Art of Making Multiples" through March 23. Permanent exhibits include "My Town," "Beach Babies" and "Touch of Sound." Regular museum hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882. Admission charged.

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MIDLAND COMMUNITY BAND: Weekly meeting. New members always welcome. 7-9 p.m. at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. For more information call Walter McClure at 260-7136.

MIDLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL MUSEUM: Exhibit honoring World War II veterans in cooperation with the Texas Historical Commission's three-year program. Permanent exhibits: Native American artifacts; early Midland photos and relics; replica of Midland Man discovery; early obituary files available for research, 301 W. Missouri Ave. Open 2-5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Call 682-2931 or 688-8947. Free.

MIDLAND COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Historic home: Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland, 213 North Weatherford St., 682-5447. Open by appointment.

ODESSA COLLEGE: 201 W. University Blvd. Call 335-6640 for Options Gallery schedule. Free.

SCARBOROUGH-LINEBERRY HOUSE: Historic home: 802 S. Main St., 685-7368. Open by appointment and available for rental for weddings and other special occasions.

TALL CITY CLOGGERS: Dances every Monday at M-Squarena. Information about clogging can be obtained by contacting Lynn Myers, 697-6416 or danznfool@grandecom.net

TUESDAY

MIDLAND QUILTERS GUILD: Guest speaker: Susan Brubaker Knapp, a nationally known quilter who specializes in thread painting and photo quilts, will give a program at each of the January meetings. 7 p.m. at Alamo Heights Baptist Church. For more information, email winfredj@sbcglobal.net.

PALETTE CLUB: Painting time. Join us for painting time 9 a.m.-noon Tuesdays. Meeting and demo scheduled on second Tuesday of the month. For more information contact Diane K. Browne at 664-3197.

PERMIAN BASIN DANCE CLUB: Live country-western band every Tuesday, 7:30-10 p.m. at St. Stephen's Catholic Church ballroom, 4601 Neely Ave. Members $5, nonmembers $6. Alcohol and smoke free environment. 520-3434 or 218-8215.

WEDNESDAY

ARTQUEST STUDIOS: Reserved Studio Time. Artists can reserve space to work alongside other artists. Because no instruction is being given, work done can be entered in competitions. Space limited to eight artists at a time. $35 per month. Space is reserved on a monthly basis. 700 Andrews Highway. For more information, email heronartconnection@sbcglobal.net, call 553-0420 or go to www.artquesttx.com.

THURSDAY

THURSDAY NIGHT DANCE CLUB OF ODESSA: Now dancing at 301 E. 61st St. in Odessa. Live country-western music 7:30-10 p.m. Members $5, Non-members and guest $6. Alcohol and smoke free environment. Call 697-0281 or 631-6125.

FRIDAY

BLAKEMORE PLANETARIUM: Permanent exhibits are open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday. Sky shows 4:15 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 7:15 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Friday and 1:15 p.m. and 3:45 p.m. Saturday. Admission charged. 1705 W. Missouri Ave. For more information call 683-2882.

MIDLAND ARTS ASSOCIATION: Artist displaying artwork for the month of January will be Karen Lanier. Community National Bank, 401 W. Texas Ave. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays. Closed Saturdays and Sundays.

MUSEUM OF THE SOUTHWEST: Exhibit opening: "Barnaby Fitzgerald's Moments, Still Lives and Figures" first featured artist of the Contemporary Series 2014 in the Here and Now Gallery. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday. General admission: $5 adults, $3 children. 683-2882.

SATURDAY

BLAKEMORE PLANETARIUM: Permanent exhibits are open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday. Sky shows 4:15 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 7:15 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Friday and 1:15 p.m. and 3:45 p.m. Saturday. Admission charged. 1705 W. Missouri Ave. 683-2882.

THE ELLEN NOËL ART MUSEUM: Robots: 3-D Design Workshop, final workshop in a three-part series today. Workshop focuses on 3-D design, creating an art robot out of found objects, as well as designing a plastic robot which students will print in the museum's new 3-D printing lab. Students will need basic computer skills along with access to a computer and time to do research outside of class. For more information call 550-9696.

Arts Council of Midland maintains a calendar of all submitted arts-related activities. To avoid conflicts with other organizations, please call 687-1149, P.O. Box 3494, Midland, TX 79702; or email info@acmidland.org. To submit events, go to www.acmidland.org.

Ellen Noel Art Museum to receive broze from The Smithsonian

The Smithsonian Hirshorn Museum & Sculpture Garden approved a loan request from the Ellen Noel Art Museum in Odessa for a bronze by Barbara Hepworth (1903-1975) titled "Seaform." The sculpture has an estimated value realized at Christie's Auction House, London of $940,844.

Hepworth's works can be seen at Oxford, the Tate Modern, Winchester Cathedral and the Kröller-Müller Museum in the Netherlands.

Hepworth's work exemplifies modernism, and with such contemporaries as Ivon Hitchens, Henry Moore, Ben Nicholson, Naum Gabo, she helped to develop modern art and sculpture in Britain. Hepworth's former studio and home now form the Barbara Hepworth Museum. A new museum dedicated to her, the Hepworth Wakefield, opened in Britain in May 2011 at Wakefield in West Yorkshire. It has been visited by more than a million people. Hepworth's bronze is scheduled to arrive in Odessa by March.

Source: Ellen Noel Art Museum

The bronze "Seaform" by Barbara Hepworth is scheduled to arrive at the Ellen Noel Art Museum by March.

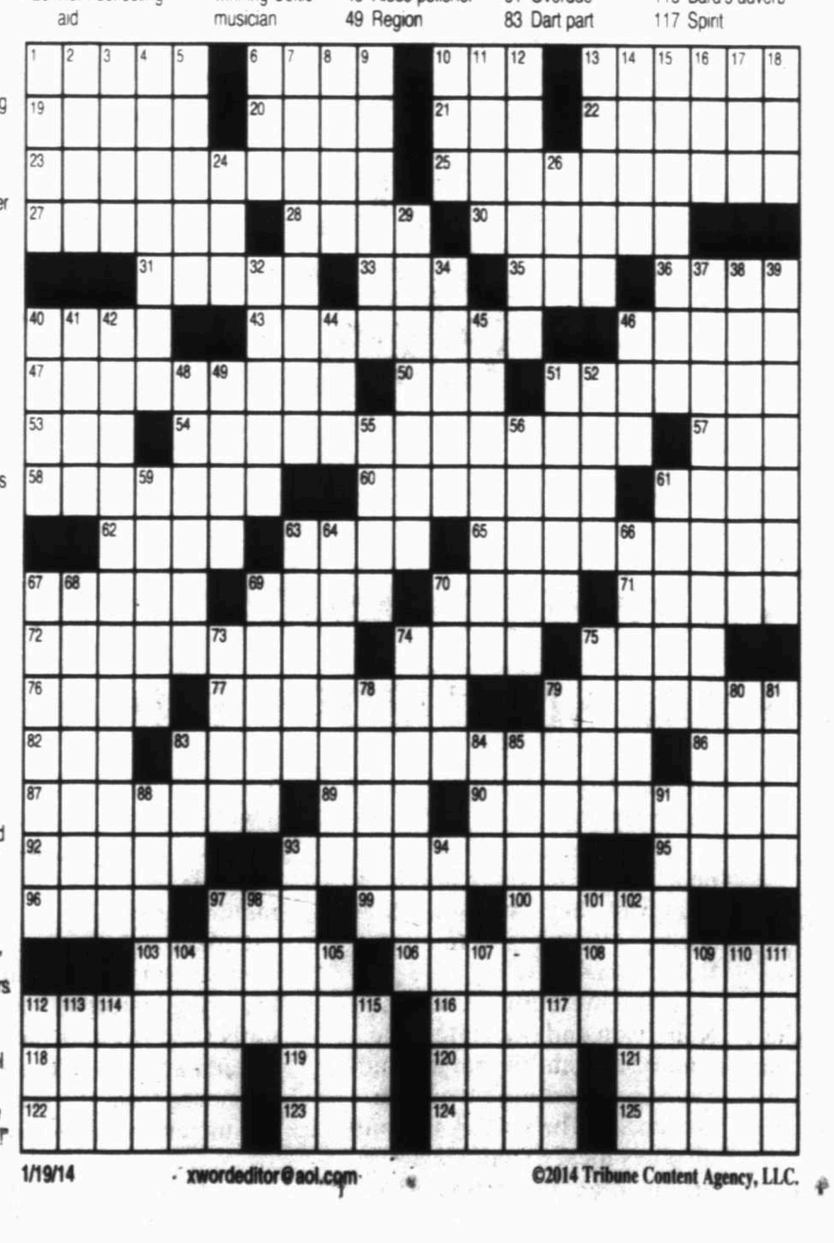
Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

"OH, NO!" BY JOHN LAMPKIN

ACROSS
1 Fix things
6 Egret kin seen in hieroglyphs
10 "Paw" on "The Beverly Hillbillies"
13 Courage
19 Give room for growth, as seedlings
20 Slacker's word
21 Program file extension
22 Slacker's lack
23 "$%*#& computer!"?
25 Spillane's inspiration?
27 Networking, maybe
28 Predictions affected by storms, briefly
30 Dance step
31 Fancy wheels
33 Apt name for a truck driver?
35 Wagner's "__ Rheingold"
36 ER part: Abbr.
40 Armor-breaking weapon
43 "Sure"
46 Sherlock's adversary Adler
47 Add to a busy schedule
50 Prior to A.D.
51 Some OPEC ministers
53 It's about 10% larger than Australia
54 Like PETA members?
57 Fresno campus units
58 Birch flower clusters
60 Pigged out
61 __ of fare
62 Mechanical learning
63 Way up
65 "No way!"
67 Takedown expert?
69 Sculls
70 Father
71 Mr. Rogers and others
72 Flash mob?
74 Tear
75 Goya's "The Duchess of __"
76 Bygone theaters
77 Antlered Eurasians
79 The 2006 novel "Hannibal Rising," for one
82 "__ dum tootin'!"
83 Sugar daddy?
86 1880s pres. monogram
87 Interweave
89 Actress Hagen
90 More than dull
92 Mug at a bar
93 Detect intuitively
95 Fencing tool
96 On the fence
97 __ room
99 Old touring car
100 Snuggler
103 Kitschy garden figures
106 Scary contest
108 Where to find baked blackbirds
112 Keyboard technique suggested by the instruction "attacca"?
116 Well-mannered sisters?
118 Drawing power
119 When Le Havre gets hot
120 Rain-deflecting aid
121 Grimm baddies
122 Cleaver
123 Leb. neighbor
124 One in a flight
125 2013 Daytime Emmy winner Gibbons

DOWN
1 Violist's direction
2 "One good __ deserves another"
3 Aussie gem
4 "Fat chance!"
5 Centric opening
6 "ER" setting
7 Nudist's covering?
8 Technical sch.
9 Hot and heavy
10 Atticus Finch's son
11 Way out
12 Figure out
13 Boy-girl link
14 Grammy-winning Celtic musician
15 Andrew Wyeth medium
16 "__ Calling" 2000s Eliza Dushku TV series
17 Optimus F3 cellphones
18 Batting organ
24 Frame of Bugs, e.g.
26 Mauna __
29 Holy day
32 Chain with popcorn
34 Bike
37 "Thanks, Pierre, nice mug!"?
38 Like Crusoe
39 Outcomes
40 1/60,000 of a min.
41 Cyan shade
42 Short anchor?
44 "Wheel" purchase
45 Biological pigment
46 Commonly mistyped word
48 Piece polisher
49 Region
51 Repeat exactly
52 New Yorker cartoonist Peter
55 Bugs
56 Former Calif. base
59 Hawaiian storms
61 Backyard Jul. 4 event
63 Obscured
64 Metal named for a blue line in its spectrum
66 Jags or Vikes
67 Most nimble
68 Fallen for
69 Protective layer
70 One whose efforts were feudal
73 Have __ of good luck
74 Entertained
75 Field
78 Key with an arrow
79 Neo- or bryo-ender
80 Comfort
81 Overdue
83 Dart part
84 Flap
85 Soul mate
88 Hand-tightened fastener
91 Make bananas?
93 Curtain-raising time
94 Watchmakers' aids
97 Pricey watch
98 Avian Aussie
101 Concern in the rough
102 Join, in London
104 __ Barnacle, wife of James Joyce
105 Snorkel et al.: Abbr.
107 Q.E.D. part
109 Utter
110 R&B singer Foxx
111 She, in Salerno
112 Spray in the pantry
113 Serine sight
114 Bit of culinary jargon
115 Bard's adverb
117 Spirit



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GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Poor hand evaluation

North-South vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ 6 4 3
♡ 5 2
♢ 6 4 3 2
♣ 5 4 3 2

WEST
♠ 10 9 7
♡ K J 10 6
♢ Q 8
♣ A J 9 7

EAST
♠ K 8 5
♡ Q 9 8 7
♢ J
♣ K Q 10 8 6

SOUTH
♠ A Q J 2
♡ A 4 3
♢ A K 10 9 7 5
♣ Void

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♢	Pass	Pass	Dbl
Rdbl	1♡	2♢	2
4♢	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Jack of ♡

Take a look at the North hand — have you ever seen a worse bridge hand? Despite a total lack of values, North considered his four-card support to be worth something, and he offered a very brave raise at his second turn. South had full values for his jump to the four-level, perhaps even more, but North couldn't find another bid.

South won the opening heart lead and drew trumps, cashing the ace and king, before conceding a heart. Declarer ruffed the club shift carefully with the seven of diamonds and ruffed a heart in dummy. Next came a winning spade finesse, followed by the five of trumps to dummy's six. Another spade finesse, combined with the 3-3 split, resulted in 12 tricks for North-South.

South had a reputation at the club for being an unkind partner, often finding fault where there was no fault to be found.

He looked up at North and said, "You didn't bid enough!" North left the club immediately to apply for a handgun permit.

He offered this hand in support of his application. The permit was quickly approved.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Jan. 19, 2014:

This year you often go back and forth from being serious to whimsical. People act as if they don't know which facet of your personality they will encounter. AQUARIUS has interesting ideas about money and how to use it.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ You could have an errand or two to complete before getting together with others for brunch. Tonight: Thoughts surround a close friend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ Your creativity will come up with a solution to an issue. You might be gaining new insight about a loved one. Tonight: Add more spice to your life.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ If you feel the need to stay close to home, do. Others might express their concern at your unusually low profile. Tonight: Do not push.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Become more aware of a special person. You might assume that you already know this person, but he or she seems to be changing. Tonight: Chat over dinner.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Choose relaxing plans, as you are entering a very busy few weeks. You will want to have the energy to be receptive to others. Tonight: Accept a dinner invitation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ Share more of what is happening with someone you care about. This person might not be sure of his or her role in this situation. Tonight: Start thinking about tomorrow.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You are likely to become even more serious than you have been. Use the morning to get some R and R. Tonight: Add mischief into the mix.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You have a lot on your mind, and you'll be determined to discuss what you are considering with several friends. Tonight: Happy to be home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Don't allow a parent or older friend to push you too hard to join him or her today. You might have some plans with a loved one. Tonight: Let the good times roll.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Reach out to someone whom you care about but often don't visit. Arrange to Skype with each other, or make plans to visit soon. Tonight: Make it your treat.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Enjoy going to brunch with a loved one. You might be startled by what someone around you does. Tonight: You have a lot of energy.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Call a friend you have not spoken with in some time. Your humor will take the edge off if he or she makes a startling statement. Tonight: Let others wonder.

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BORN TODAY

Author Edgar Allan Poe (1809), singer/songwriter Dolly Parton (1946), singer/songwriter Janis Joplin (1943)

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

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ABOVE
Children play along with the Permian Basin String Quartet during a performance Jan. 11 at the Midland County Public Library Centennial Branch.

FAR LEFT
Melissa Madura, of the Permian Basin String Quartet, shows Hayden Klutts, 6, how to hold a violin during an interactive performance.

LEFT
John Madura, of the Permian Basin String Quartet, shows children how to hold and play a violin.

James Durbin
Reporter-Telegram

Artists in Texas are as diverse as the state itself

WENDY EARLE
Curator of Collections & Exhibitions

I'm still trying to wrap my head around just how big Texas is. I've lived in Texas for almost five years, spending time in Austin, Dallas and Midland, and I can't believe how big this state is. When I started planning the Museum of the Southwest's 2014 Contemporary series, I decided to focus on Texas artists in part to understand the Texas arts scene better. There's a lot going on that we can't cover, but with Texas NEWS (North, East, West, South) we are able to give visitors a small sampling of the huge variety of Texas artists.

The series opens Saturday with the Dallas-based artist Barnaby Fitzgerald. A painting professor at Southern Methodist University, Fitzgerald's work will be the largest-scale exhibition. He creates large oil paintings, and small tempera on panel works, alternating between still lifes and figures. His works often carry strong connotations of Renaissance Italy, due in part to the artist being born and mostly raised in Umbria, in central Italy.

The series continues with San Antonio-based artist Kathy Sosa. Originally in advertising, Sosa became an artist later in life. She creates intensely colored and patterned art that draws upon the cultural heritage of the indigenous peoples of Mexico and Guatemala. Her mixed-media paintings, which often focus on women, incorporate traditional textiles, garments and folk art objects.

In the summer visitors will explore the vast Texas landscape on a very different scale. Austin-based Katie Maratta creates "horizon-scapes," drawings that are one-inch tall by several feet wide. The scale of these realistic and detailed drawings requires viewers to travel the work of art, exploring each section a little bit at a time. Maratta, a former illustrator and political cartoonist, creates works of art that include iconic Texas elements such as pumpjacks, silos, fence lines and even Whataburger, but seen from a radically different perspective.

While Texas is the theme for the Contemporary Series, the rest of the Museum of the Southwest exhibitions for 2014 will have a strong emphasis on prints and printmaking. Houston artist Orna Feinstein is a printmaker and sculptor who creates monotypes, mixed media work and three-dimensional prints. Her art begins with an observation of nature, and ends up in an abstract creation. The beauty of nature, its color, texture and energy attract and inspire her work.

Texas NEWS (North, East, West, South) concludes with El-Paso based Margarita Cabrera. Her work involves developing relationships with artistic groups and cooperatives, which she can then bring into her own practice in the United States. Best known for her soft sculptures, she is also heavily involved in art as social practice. Cabrera's work is playful and engaging, and brings in issues like U.S.-Mexico relations, as well as indigenous Mexican folk art and craft traditions and the protection of immigrant rights.

These exhibitions are intended to give museum visitors an understanding of the amazing diversity of artists living and working in Texas. These artists are from many different backgrounds, and work in a variety of media, sizes and styles. You won't see the same thing twice.

Wendy Earle is curator of collections and exhibitions at the Museum of the Southwest.

EXHIBIT

From 1H

as examples of different types of printmaking. Additional aspects to the exhibit will be interactive work stations and a costume site to dress up as artists and characters in relation to the exhibit.

"And that's not just for children," Robertson said.

The exhibit proceeds to an impressive gallery of printmaking work from local college students. Work is featured from art students at UTPB and Midland College as well as faculty. Assistant Professor Mario Kiran at UTPB and Midland College's instructor of sculpture and ceramics Dagan Sherman display their works alongside their students.

"Print It!" serves as an introduction to later art events at the Museum of the Southwest.

"We'll have a number of exhibits in the coming year that relate to printmaking," Robertson said.

The first being "Pulled, Pressed and Screened: Important American Prints," scheduled to open in February.

"This is an art that doesn't get featured much," Robertson said. "And by featuring local student works, it's a testament to the education here for printmaking."

"Print It! The Art of Making Multiples" will be on display through March 24 at the Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum.

ARTQUEST

From 1H

time at ArtQuest for a $35 monthly fee. The studio time has attracted positive feedback from students, graduates and other creative types. And if that block of time is hard to schedule, well, Griffin can work with that.

"There are people who can't make that schedule and so we try to work with them. We can be flexible," she said.

Within the reserved space, up to eight artists at a time can work on their pieces, but Griffin explained this is where unexpected magic can happen.

"Collaborations happen because it's not an exclusive situation. Artists talk to each other there and become comfortable with each other. That's the nice thing about art. There is no prerequisite to all go in the same direction," she said.

Beginners to experts can nurture their creative expression via ArtQuest's schedule of classes for adults, teens and children featuring varied media practices. This is where Griffin and her team of instructors shine, because ArtQuest's teaching philosophy is less about classroom mentality and more about individual works. Plus, with classes of no more than 10 students, proper attention can be given to each project.

"All the classwork is done individually, and so they feel comfortable that there isn't comparison to other students," she said. "If they miss a class, they don't get left behind or have to play catch-up."

For those with artistic doubts, Griffin almost dares them to enter ArtQuest.

"This idea of only being in art because you have talent just chaps me," she said. "You don't realize where that talent is without a little bit of encouragement. And that can be amazing."

Griffin describes Midland's art scene now as in a state of flux marked by the city's boom and population growth. However, she doesn't see the culture in a decline. Classes at ArtQuest are bustling and with a gallery in the venue, students and artists have either exhibited there or in varied spaces around Midland. Griffin and company strive to assure that the arts have their rightful place in Midland.

ArtQuest is located at 700 Andrews Highway, Suite D. Visit artquesttx.com for more information.

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MIDLAND COMMUNITY THEATRE
NOTICE OF
ANNUAL MEETING
OF MEMBERS
Sunday, January 19 at 5 p.m.
The Cole Theatre - 2000 W. Wadley Ave.
For more information call (432) 682-2544
Midland Community Theatre invites all members, volunteers, and interested parties to the 68th annual meeting. Meeting business includes proposed amendments to the bylaws, confirmation of candidates nominated to the 2014 Board of Governors, and review of the status and activities in 2013 followed by a preview of activities for 2014.
www.mctmidland.org

SOUNDBITES

Reviews of recent releases

BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN
"High Hopes"

"High Hopes" is possibly the strangest offering in the Bruce Springsteen catalog. It has been well documented and much discussed, but it nonetheless bears repeating: "High Hopes" is composed largely of holdovers from previous recording sessions, with a few stray covers and revamped originals thrown in for good measure.

Make no mistake, there are some true masterworks here, stuff that stands proud alongside Springsteen's best work of the past 15 years. The searing, clear-eyed indictments of "Harry's Place" contrast beautifully with the song's seductive (and atypical) groove. "American Skin," first released as a live cut in 2001, here gets the measured, symphonic treatment its lyrics have always deserved. "The Wall" is a hymn-like, haunting graveside meditation, performed with breathtaking tenderness.

The problem with this record isn't a lack of strong songs — there are plenty here. Rather, it's the unusual surfeit of so-so songs that undercuts the album.

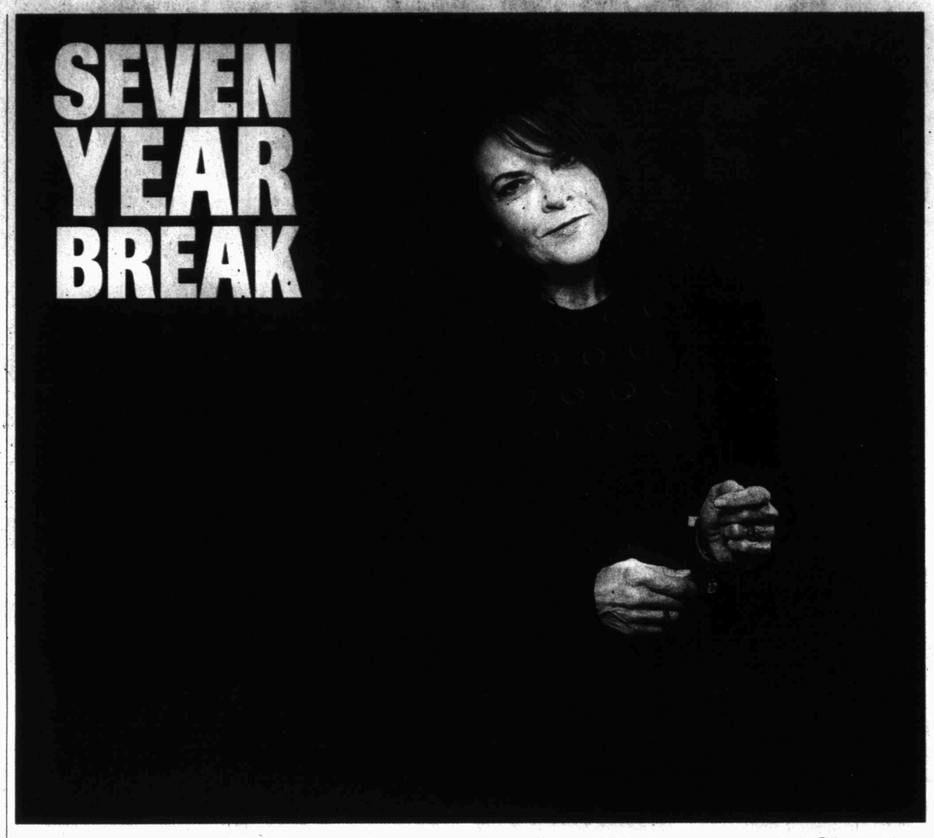
"This Is Your Sword" is perhaps the weakest of the lot — its overbroad lyric isn't done any favors by the ham-fisted tune that accompanies it.

Jerrick Adams/Topmusic.com

STEPHEN MALKMUS AND THE JICKS
"Wig Out at Jagbags"

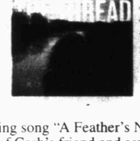
On "Wig Out," you find a retrospective and more introspective Stephen Malkmus, one who appreciates that he wouldn't have gotten this far into a career as a still-productive, still-relevant indie legend if his cynicism wasn't matched — or surpassed — by caring. That sense of self-awareness comes through on the single "Lariat" in the wise (not wise-ass) line, "You aren't what you're not/You're not what you aren't," which you, in turn, could extrapolate to mean that Malkmus also realizes he is what he is. And you couldn't find a stronger statement of how Malkmus makes the most of this self-knowledge than the twangy, jangly "Lariat," a silver-tongued yet sneakily poignant piece that finds the happy medium between those modes better than just about anything since Pavement's "Gold Soundz" golden days. At once briskly hooky enough to grab your attention, but languid and loose in a way that goes at its own pace, "Lariat" is all about the benefit of hindsight as Malkmus flashes back to his late '80s years at UVa., cross-referencing Mudhoney and Sun City Girls as the soundtrack to him and Pavement cohort Bob Nastanovich goofing around. But it's when Malkmus declares, "We grew up listening to the music from the best decade ever/Talking about the A-D-Ds," that reflects the most about his mindset, as he "almost" gets wistful and sentimental on you, except that he can't help but sneak in a pun when the opportunity avails itself.

Arnold Pan/Topmusic.com



Trip south inspires singer Rosanne Cash

By David Bauder
Associated Press



THE NEW ALBUM
What: "The River & The Thread"
Who: Rosanne Cash
Release date: Jan. 14
Label: Blue Note

NEW YORK — John Hiatt once commanded us in song to "Drive South." Rosanne Cash took him up on it.

Cash's first collection of new compositions in seven years is inspired by trips south — by car, in her mind and into her own family history. "There's never any highway when you're looking for the past," she sings as a mission statement in the opening minutes of her album, "The River & The Thread."

Johnny Cash's daughter was primarily raised in California and has been a New Yorker for more than two decades.

"I have some Southern sensibility, but it would be false to say I'm Southern at the core," she said. "I don't think I could have written the record if I was. It required some distance."

An example is "Money Road," a song born out of a birthday road trip for husband and producer John Leventhal, a William Faulkner fan who wanted to explore where the novelist grew up. The region is historically rich, the birthplace of bluesmen and the murder site of civil rights figure Emmett Till. The couple stopped and sat on the Tallahatchie Bridge, memorably cited in Bobbie Gentry's "Ode to Billie Joe," a song Cash has recorded and frequently sings in concert.

Cash is pictured from behind on the disc's cover looking out at the Tallahatchie River.

The "thread" reference comes from the opening song "A Feather's Not a Bird" courtesy of Cash's friend and sewing teacher Natalie Chernin, who lives in Florence, Ala.

The disc's lyrics are rich in Southern locales: Florence, the Tallahatchie Bridge, the James River in Virginia, Mobile, Ala.; Memphis, Tenn., Nashville, Arkansas. Cash spent time in Dyess, Ark., helping Arkansas State University restore the home where her father grew up as a historic site. Cash believes her father would have loved the gesture, and the home provides a window into family history for her kids.

The song "Etta's Tune" is about Marshall Grant, the bass player in Johnny's band the Tennessee Three, and his wife. Cash was close to them and Marshall died while they were in Dyess to help raise funds for the restoration.

"The Long Way Home" is about the circuitous path many people take that leads back to their roots. Cash, 58, took it, too. "What makes you care about where your parents came from in your 40s and 50s that you didn't care about in your 20s and 30s?" she said.

She spent her 20s and 30s as a country music star. Despite that history, despite making an album primarily about the South, the country music establishment is likely to ignore her this time. They've both moved on. She wants the music to be heard, but is realistic about the outlets available.

One pathway is the Americana music community, where she is "revered," said Jed Hilly, executive director of the Americana Music Association. "She's unique, not because of who she is but because of her talent and her personality," he said. "She's incredibly smart and passionate about making music."

Cash's famous musical guests all had Southern connections, including John Paul White of the Civil Wars, guitarist Derek Trucks and singer Cory Chisel. Kris Kristofferson, John Prine, Amy Helm, Rodney Crowell and Tony Joe White sing background on the Civil War tale "When the Master Calls the Roll." She and Leventhal wrote the song with ex-husband Crowell, a connection hard to envision by anyone who listened to Cash's 1990 album, "Interiors."

It felt natural, Cash said. "John calls him his husband-in-law," she said.

While not intended as such, Cash's trips provided both a spark and framework for her project.

"I know writers who go to other locales just to shake it up, to get a shift in perspective so they can be inspired," she said. "We definitely had that in our mind. We knew that we would see things, feel things that would be out of the norm for us and hopefully would be inspiring. And they were."

Coming Tuesday

A Great Big World 'Is Anybody Out There?'

Hard Working Americans self-titled

Scorpions 'MTV Unplugged'

Young the Giant 'Mind Over Matter'

Tommy Castro 'The Devil You Know'

LIVEWIRE

MIDLAND/ODESSA/ BIG SPRING/ANDREWS

JANUARY

19 **All Stars, Steven Hilliard, Tucker Binkley** @ Music City Mall
20 **Goodtimers** @ Andrews Senior Center
20 **"American Idiot"** @ Wagner Noel
21 **Showdown** @ Permian Basin Dance Club
22 **Tony Bennett** @ Wagner Noel
23 **Lou Shields** @ Blue Max
23 **Travis Tritt, Creed Fisher** @ Wagner Noel
23 **Curtis Grimes** @ Rockin Rodeo
23 **Goodtimers** @ Thursday Night Dance Club of Odessa, 301 E. 61st St.
24 **Jacob Davis Band** @ First Baptist Church
24 **The Oak Ridge Boys** @ Wagner Noel
24 **Whiskey Myers** @ Graham Central Station
24 **Callahan Divde** @ Redneck's
24 **Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co.** @ Midland Senior Center
24 **C.W. Ayon** @ Blue Max
24 **Kolton Moore and the Clever Few** @ Lone Star Bar
24 **Sansietch** @ Cigar Frog's
24-25 **Blue Midnight** @ The Bar
25 **Ty Miller, Mike Leonard, All Stars, Martha Elliott** @ Music City Mall
25 **Chad Sullins and the Last Call Coalition, Randall King Band** @ Lone Star Bar
25 **Austin English Band** @ Redneck's
26 **West Texas Winds** @ Rea-Greathouse Recital Hall
26 **Tommy, Jean, Jerry & Co., Kenneth Knotts, Tucker Bionkley** @ Music City Mall
27 **Kristopher Roe (acoustic solo)** @ Blue Max
28 **Transit Authority** @ Wagner Noel
28 **Johnny & Susie** @ Permian Basin Dance Club
29 **Booze Bombs** @ Blue Max
30 **Brandon Rhyder** @ Rockin Rodeo
30 **Mobile Deathcamp** @ Blue Max
30 **Showdown** @ Thursday Night Dance Club of Odessa, 301 E. 61st St.
31 **Clay Thrash, Six Market Blvd.** @ Lone Star Bar
31 **Blue Cats** @ The Bar
31 **Mister Happy** @ Midland Center
31 **Dan Patterson and The Dying Lights** @ Redneck's
31 **No Dry County** @ The Detour

FEBRUARY

1 **Blue Cats** @ The Bar
1 **Aaron Einhouse** @ Lone Star Bar
1 **Gayle Spradley Bizzell** @ Odessa College
1 **Stephen Curtis Chapman** @ Wagner Noel
1 **The Casino** @ Redneck's
2 **Jayke Orvis and The Broken Band, Carrie Nation and The Speakeasy, James Hunnicutt** @ Blue Max
2 **The History of Hope, Come & Rest, Vessels or Veritas** @ Pine Box
3 **Mr. Blue Shoes** @ Greathouse Elementary
4 **Firestarter, Pullman Standard** @ Pine Box
6 **Bri Bagwell and The Banned** @ Rockin Rodeo
6 **Lena Prima** @ Petroleum Club
7 **Foreigner** @ Wagner Noel
7 **Mark McKinney, Randall King Band** @ Lone Star Bar
7 **Aces Over Eights** @ Redneck's
7 **Shane Rogers Band** @ Detour
7-8 **Mister Happy** @ The Bar
8 **Pushwater** @ Redneck's
8 **Zane Williams, Justin Langston** @ Lone Star Bar
8 **Adrian & the Sickness** @ Blue Max
9 **Trout Fishing in America** @ Yucca Theatre
9 **Guns on Mars, Hugo Hernandez** @ Pine Box
10 **Gordon Lightfoot** @ Wagner Noel
13 **Cory Morrow** @ Rockin Rodeo
14 **Christopher Cross, Stephen Bishop** @ Wagner Noel
14 **Eddie Austin & 20 After Four** @ Ellen Noel Art Museum
14-15 **Noel Olivas** @ The Bar

LUBBOCK

JANUARY

30 **Luke Bryan, Lee Brice, Cole Swindell** @ United Spirit Arena

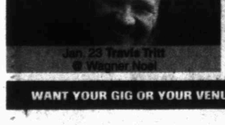
FEBRUARY

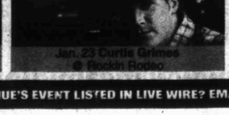
9 **Skillet, Third Day, Andy Mineo, Jamie Grace, Royal Tailor, We Are Human, The Neverclaim, Vertical Church Band, Soulfire Revolution** @ United Spirit Arena

DALLAS-FORT WORTH AREA

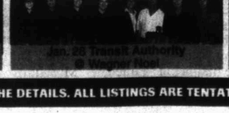
JANUARY

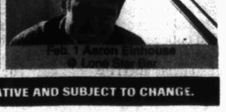
20 **Falling In Reverse, Escape The Fate, Chelsea Grin, Survive This!** @ House of Blues
22 **Leon Russell, Hot Tuna** @ House of Blues
23 **Neko Case, Thao & The Get Down Stay Down** @ Granada Theater
24 **Skillet, Third Day, Andy Mineo, Jamie Grace, Royal Tailor, We As Human, The Neverclaim, Vertical Church Band, Soulfire Revolution** @ American Airlines Center


Jan. 23 Travis Tritt @ Wagner Noel


Jan. 23 Curtis Grimes @ Rockin Rodeo

Jan. 26 West Texas Winds @ Rea-Greathouse Recital Hall


Jan. 28 Transit Authority @ Wagner Noel


Feb. 1 Aaron Einhouse @ Lone Star Bar

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