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Comment period to reopen on grouse listing

Conaway: West Texans 'rightly concerned' about fate of lesser prairie chicken

From staff reports

U.S. Rep. Mike Conaway, R-Midland, announced Thursday that the Fish and Wildlife Service will reopen the public comment period on the potential listing of the lesser prairie chicken as "threatened" under the Endangered Species Act.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Director Daniel Ashe announced the decision in a Feb. 27 letter to Conaway, saying the public comment period will be reopened when the agency receives a range-wide conservation plan for the grouse from the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.

As it stands now, the comment period is set to end on March 11.

WAFWA is comprised of state fish and wildlife agencies, including the five that contain lesser prairie chicken habitat: Texas, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Kansas and Colorado.

"I am pleased with the decision to reopen the comment period," said Ben Shepperd, president of the Permian Basin Petroleum Association. "We will use the time wisely, working with our five state wildlife agencies to try and prove that the states, with industry support, have a plan that should ultimately prevent the need to elevate this species to 'threatened' status."

Conaway, of Midland, joined eight of his House colleagues — including Republican Reps. Randy Neugebauer, R-Lubbock; Steve Pearce, R-Hobbs, N.M.; and Mac Thornberry, R-Clarendon — earlier this month in asking Ashe for at least a 60-day extension of the comment period and at least a 90-day extension of the final listing deadline for the proposed rule to add the lesser prairie chicken to the Endangered Species Act's threatened list. Texas Sens. John Cornyn and Ted Cruz also wrote Ashe with similar requests.

The PBPA and local representatives are among those who have said listing the chicken as threatened would impair the oil and gas industry and agriculture.

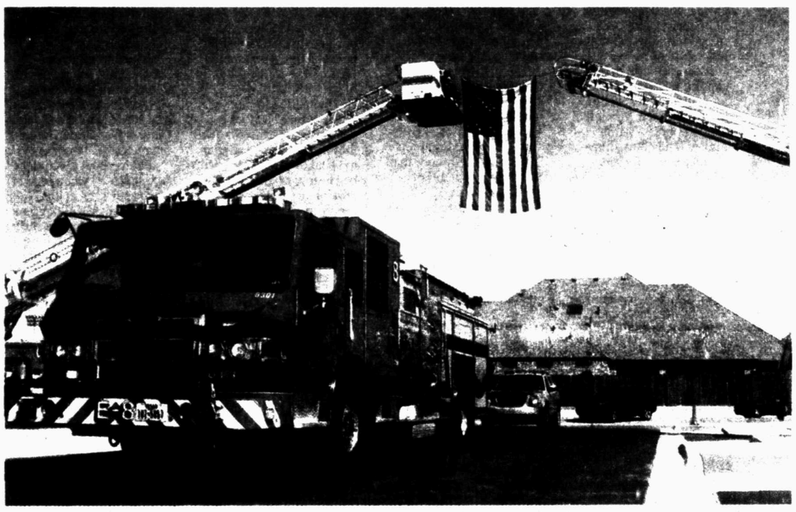
"Texas farmers and landowners are rightly concerned about the proposed rule's impact on their land and their livelihoods," said Conaway, chairman of the House Agriculture Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management. "I believe there are no better stewards of our nation's natural resources than those who work and depend on the land. I appreciate the Fish and Wildlife Service's recognition that it must work with farmers and landowners, and I look forward to hearing the responses gathered when the comment period is reopened."

According to the Associated Press, experts say the lesser prairie chicken population has declined in part because of expanded farms, ranches and oil and gas operations across the Southwest and other states.



Rep. Mike Conaway: Says he "believes there are no better stewards of our nation's resources than those who work and depend on the land."

FIRE CAPTAIN LAID TO REST





ABOVE: Midland Fire Department's Engine 8, draped with black cloths, escorts the remains of MFD Capt. Lee Wise to the memorial service Thursday afternoon at Stonegate Fellowship Church. Wise died Saturday after lengthy battle with colon cancer. he was 54. Wise worked with MFD for 27 years, serving the past 17 as a captain and paramedic.

RIGHT: Members of the Midland Fire Department escort the Wise family, and his remains, into the memorial service.

PHOTOS BY TIM FISCHER/REPORTER-TELEGRAM

Man charged with assault at DPS office

From staff reports

A Midland man remained in custody Thursday after he verbally and physically assaulted Texas Department of Public Safety troopers at their Midland office.

Joe Luis Cobarobio, 39, of Midland, is being held on a $50,000 bond for two third-degree felonies of assault on a public servant and obstruction.



Cobarobio

It is unclear if the pending charges Cobarobio was irate about had anything to do with his arrest during the Nov. 15 fatal train accident involving Show of Support. Cobarobio was arrested on Nov. 15 for a misdemeanor charge of interfer-

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Midland economy 'as strong as ever'

By Mella McEwen
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Midland and Odessa's economies began 2013 as they ended 2012 — with double-digit growth.

Karr Ingham, the Amarillo economist who prepares the Midland-Odessa Regional Economic Index for the Midland Development Corp. and Security Bank, said the January index was 11.8 percent above January 2012 levels and surpassed 200 for the first time in its history.

"From all indications, the economy is as strong as ever. We've started the year with every indication rapid expansion in that economy is continuing."

Even the region's economic foundation — oil and gas activity — began an upswing in January, he noted, saying the

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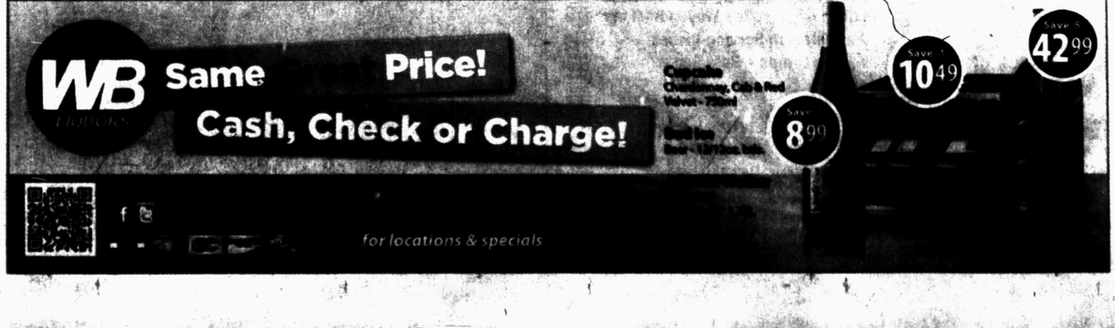
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MCSO: Woman leads deputies on high-speed chase

From staff reports

A 25-year-old Midland woman remained in custody Thursday after she was arrested for leading sheriff's deputies on a high-speed chase allegedly while intoxicated.

Brittany Michelle Hoover was being held on a $10,500 bond for a third-degree felony of evading arrest with a vehicle and a misdemeanor charge of driving while intoxicated.

Midland County Sheriff's Office officials attempted to make a traffic stop about 6 p.m. Wednesday after noticing a woman passing multiple vehicles on the shoulder of South County Road 1200. She refused to stop, according to her arrest report, and led deputies on a high-speed chase through several dirt roads.

Deputies said the driver, later identified as Hoover, eventually crashed into a fence while driving about 60 mph on a dirt road. She told deputies that she wasn't running from them and didn't notice the law enforcement officers behind her, according to the arrest report.

After noticing a strong odor of alcohol, deputies transported her to the Midland County Central Detention Center for a sobriety test, which she reportedly failed.

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



Hoover

Courts expect payments before warrant roundup

By Tyler White
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Have a fine to pay?

The statewide warrant roundup begins Saturday and ends March 9. If you have an oustanding fine, you can pay it at:

■ **Municipal Court: 406 E. Illinois Ave.; 685-7314**
■ **Justice of the peace precincts 2 and 4: 707 W. Washington Ave.; Precinct 2, 688-4722 and Precinct 4, 688-4724**
■ **Justice of the peace precincts 1 and 3: 400 S. Main St.; Precinct 1, 688-4723 and Precinct 3, 688-4721.**

Midland courts expect to receive a surge of last-minute citation payments today before the seventh annual statewide warrant roundup begins Saturday.

Midland Municipal Court is among more than 250 agencies in Texas that will focus efforts through March 9 to fill outstanding arrest warrants for Class C misdemeanors and traffic, parking, city ordinance or state law violations, according to a press release from the city's public information officer.

Local courts mailed warrant notices earlier this year to alert residents they may be arrested if violations go unpaid before the roundup.

Increases in the number of open tickets and warrants partly is because of the increased population and traffic, said David Cobos, justice of the peace for Precinct 2.

Cobos said the timing of the warrant roundup is convenient for some people who may be getting their tax refunds in the mail and can pay off outstanding warrants.

Midland County Sheriff Gary Painter said the "honest ones" will pay their fines so they won't be arrested.

"We don't want them in jail; they take up space," he said.

Cobos said some people don't realize that when they receive a citation, they may have to appear in court. If they do not show up for their court date, they may end up with additional fines and charges, he said.

"It's a never-ending hole for some of these people," Cobos said.

Cobos said violators should pay their fines because an unpaid citation could inconveniently pop up later.

Painter said many Midlanders may not be able to pay off their fines in one large sum because of economic woes, rent or other expenses.

It's a common misconception that fines must be paid all at once, according to Midland Municipal Court's chief warrant officer. The courts may set up payment plans, which allows violators to pay fines without creating financial binds, said Curtis Ralston.

Cobos said the courts are flexible and want to create simple solutions to paying fines.

"If they'll communicate with us and make an effort, those people will be in good standing," he said.

While some people knowingly avoid payments, others forget to pay fines, which Ralston said is understandable.

Because of these situations, the Midland County Warrant Services enforcement supervisor said he tries to avoid making arrests.

Rick Benton said officials with justice of the peace Precincts 2 and 4 visit violators to collect money to pay off tickets or warrants.

"Every year we have a good response to the roundup," he said.

The justice of the peace and county courts bring in an average of $12,000 a month from fines, Benton said.

In February, Precincts 2 and 4 cleared more than $15,400 in violations or warrants; about 33 warrants were cleared by collection and about five by arrests, Benton said.

Cobos said the Precinct 2 office received around $15,000 in payments in one day last week.

Calls to officials at Precincts 1 and 3 were not returned.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Joe Luis Cobarobio, 38, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of assault of a public servant and a charge of obstruction or retaliation.

Justin Delagarza, 27, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of tampering with and/or fabrication of physical evidence and a charge of violation of probation.

Hermergildo Z. Garcia Jr., 23, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of violation of probation.

Randy Garcia Garza, 41, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Maria L. Hernandez, 38, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of misappropriation of fiduciary institutional funds between $20,000 and $100,000.

Brittany Michelle Hoover, 25, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of evading arrest and/or detention with a vehicle.

Burnell Jackson, 57, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of driving while intoxicated.

Sabrina Crystal Kalinosky, 28, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Gianni P. Macias, 30, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of violation of probation.

Jemandrae Tyrone Miller, 23, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of violation of probation.

Maurice Londell Montgomery, 40, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of violation of probation.

Rachael Amber Reeves, 32, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on two charges of violation of probation.

Bernard Simmons, 61, of Midland, was arrested Wednesday on a charge of violation of parole.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

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From 1A

ing with public servants' duties.

Cobarobio allegedly began causing the disturbance about 4 p.m. at the DPS office on the 2400 block of South Loop 250. He demanded to talk to Texas Rangers about a pending case. After he was told no one was available to speak to him, Cobarobio began to verbally abuse the administrative assistant, according to the DPS arrest report released by Precinct 1 Judge Joe Matlock on Thursday.

DPS troopers who responded to the verbal altercation repeatedly told Cobarobio to calm down and leave, but he refused. Troopers then arrested him.

During the arrest, Cobarobio was brought to the ground and handcuffed. He began kicking troopers and yelling expletives, according to the report.

He eventually was subdued and charged with two third-degree felonies. He was in custody Thursday at the Midland County Central Detention Center on a $50,000 bond.

If convicted, he could face up to 10 years in prison for each count.

The Reporter-Telegram was able to independently verify through matching addresses, inmate numbers and his birth date that Cobarobio was the same man arrested for videotaping officers in the aftermath of the train accident that left four dead.

ATF honors agents killed in botched Branch Davidian raid

Associated Press

WACO — The 20th anniversary of the disastrous raid on the Branch Davidians compound near Waco passed quietly Thursday, as colleagues of the four agents who died gathered in private and local officials made no plans to mark the day.

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives held a ceremony in Waco to honor agents Conway LeBleu, Todd McKeehan, Robert John Williams and Steven Willis, the four agents who died in the Feb. 28, 1993 raid. Six Davidian members also died in that raid, which began a 51-day standoff that ended with the compound burning and the deaths of about 80 more sect members, including two dozen children.

The incident cast an international spotlight on Waco and Central Texas, as well as the ATF, which was criticized in a later government review for not calling off the raid after sect members found out about it.

The ATF closed the ceremony to the public and media out of respect to family members. About 185 people, including many of the agents who were in Waco, were in the audience, agency spokeswoman Franceska Perot said.

Several retired agents interviewed earlier in February expressed continuing sadness and regret.

"Would I have stopped Waco if I had known what I know now? Absolutely," said Peter Mastin, who was the deputy incident commander during the raid, in a Feb. 7 interview. "But we weren't set up for that."

"If the decision-makers had known how badly the raid had been compromised, we wouldn't have gone," Mastin added.

Agents obtained a search warrant to raid the compound, whose members were led by group leader David Koresh. The agents were trying to arrest Koresh for stockpiling illegal weapons and explosives. The ATF was counting on the element of surprise, but a local TV cameraman unwittingly tipped a man appearing to be a postal worker who turned out to be a sect member.

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FROM WIRE REPORTS

State Senate approves $1.4 billion increase for public schools

Two years after historic spending cuts to Texas classrooms, budget writers in the Senate on Thursday approved a $1.4 billion hike for public education in the first clear signal that the new Legislature may pour money back into financially ailing public schools.

How much lawmakers will ultimately spend on schools remains to be hammered out over the next few months. But education groups who rallied 2,000 supporters during a march on the Capitol last weekend greeted the spending bump by the Senate Finance Committee with optimism.

Republican state Sen. Tommy Williams, the committee chairman, called a new $40 million chunk back into a prekindergarten grant program slashed in 2011 a "down payment."

"I know that we've done a lot more in the past," Williams said. "This is important. This is very focused on at-risk kids. This is not every kid who is eligible for funding under this."

The approved budget recommendation, which includes roughly $1.4 billion more in school spending, will move to the full Senate. That addition was part of a $35 billion proposed budget for public schools.

Democratic state Sen. Kirk Watson described the additional money as "significant" urged his colleagues to continue prioritizing education spending.

Two months into the new legislative session — the first since Gov. Rick Perry's failed run for president — education has emerged as a dominant issue at the Capitol. The future of standardized testing in Texas and charter schools has stirred major debates in addition to whether lawmakers will reverse any of the $5.4 billion in classroom cuts made during a severe state budget shortfall in 2011.

Perry made no promises to roll back any deep spending cuts — to public schools or otherwise — when the session began in January. That was despite a booming Texas economy that powered a sunny revenue estimate, which left lawmakers with nearly $9 billion more to spend on the current budget before writing the next one.

The additional public school spending approved Thursday by Williams' committee appeared to provide the firmest indication yet that the Legislature is open to putting money back.



Associated Press

PERRY ADDS HIS PRINTS

Gov. Rick Perry, center, smiles as he presses his hands into wet concrete with the help of Board of regents members and University President Baker Patillo, left, in the Spirit Lounge at Stephen F. Austin State University on Thursday in Nacogdoches. Perry's hand impressions and signature will join those of other Texas politcal notables former President George H.W. Bush, former President George W. Bush and former Republican Sens. Kay Bailey Hutchison and Phil Gramm.

Lawmakers hear mental health concerns

In a rally at the state Capitol on Thursday, Amy Pierce talked about her descent into mental illness, her suicide attempts, the rats she could hear scurrying around a psychiatric facility at night and the counseling services that saved her life.

But mostly she talked about investment returns.

"Those services cost money up front, but now I was paying taxes, I was paying back," said Pierce, a coordinator at a treatment center near Austin. "I was learning how to live."

After years of declining financial support for mental health treatment, advocates sense an opportunity in the attention created by a series of horrific shootings. They argue that more treatment will save the state money in the long run by reducing crime, homelessness and unemployment.

According to the Kaiser Family Foundation, Texas spends $39 per capita on mental health services every year, compared to a national average of $121. Only Idaho spends less.

Budget writers in the Senate have indicated some willingness to provide $200 million for a wide variety of increased services. But the competition for funding is intense this year as lawmakers confront looming debts.

At the rally, a crowd of about 200 carried slogans such as "It's Just Funda-Mental Health."

Lawmakers spoke of breaking the stigma.

Sen. John Whitmire, a powerful long-serving Democrat from Houston, said services in schools could do more than punitive measures to remedy discipline problems.

Rep. Debbie Riddle, a Republican from the suburbs northwest of Houston, called for programs to help inmates break the cycle of repeated arrests.

"The place for someone with a mental health issue is not jail," she said.

Lawmakers complain about security at governor's mansion

Texas lawmakers expressed outrage because they must submit to computerized searches for warrants before entering the governor's mansion.

House Appropriations Vice Chairman Sylvester Turner complained Thursday that as an elected official with a special identification card, he should not have to undergo the screening.

Turner said he had to wait for state troopers to run a check on him when he hosted a meeting of the Texas Legislative Black Caucus at the mansion.

Other lawmakers who also underwent similar screenings asked why the card that grants them access to the Capitol is not good enough to access the governor's mansion, which is also a public building.

Department of Public Safety Steve McCraw said he recommended that everyone who goes on to the mansion grounds must undergo a check for warrants.

Texas House honors former Navy SEAL Chris Kyle

The Texas House unanimously passed a resolution honoring slain former Navy SEAL Chris Kyle.

Waxahachie Republican Rep. Jim Pitts said Kyle, who authored the best-selling book "American Sniper," "was clearly dedicated to the idea of putting others first."

Pitts said that in a perfect world, Kyle would not have been shot dead Feb. 2.

He said "our world is not a perfect world" but that Kyle was "trying to get us closer to that ideal."

Widow Taya Kyle was among those who gathered in front of the House. As representatives stood to formally approve the memorial resolution, she softly and briefly clapped her hands.

Iraq War veteran Eddie Ray Routh has been charged in the killings of Kyle and his friend Chad Littlefield at a North Texas gun range.

Austin attorney found guilty of racketeering

Associated Press

CORPUS CHRISTI, — A jury on Thursday convicted an Austin personal injury attorney of racketeering charges as part of a federal investigation into judicial bribery in South Texas.

The verdict, announced in Corpus Christi, concluded the four-week trial of lawyer Marc Rosenthal, the Valley Morning Star in Harlingen reported.

Rosenthal was found guilty of 13 counts including racketeering conspiracy, mail fraud and tampering with a proceeding. He is scheduled to be sentenced June 3 and faces up to 20 years in prison.

Prosecutors accused Rosenthal of bribing former state District Judge Abel Limas so that the judge would look favorably on cases Rosenthal had before his court. Part of the scheme was a job offer, while Limas was still on the bench, for the judge to work for Rosenthal's firm after he left the post.

Rosenthal was arrested in August 2011. He was the second of a dozen accused in the Brownsville corruption investigation to go to trial.

Limas has testified that Rosenthal offered him $100,000 plus a percentage of attorney's fees for cases he brought him after leaving office. While Limas was still in office, Rosenthal helped fund his campaign and promised him a cut of attorney's fees in a case, Limas said.

Prosecutors charged that the lucrative job offer was guaranteed while Limas was still on the bench with a say on Rosenthal's cases.

Limas lost his re-election bid in a March 2008 Democratic primary and, within days of leaving the bench, he went to work for Rosenthal in January 2009.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

■ Open Campus Night, 6-8:30 p.m., Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Admission: Free.

■ Bob Schneider, 7 p.m., Yucca Theater. Tickets: general admission $35. Info: Schneider is a five-time Austin Musician of the Year who has received 24 Austin Music Awards.

■ Midland Festival Ballet presents, "Peter and the Wolf," 7-8:30 p.m., Midland High School Auditorium. Tickets: $10 adults, $7 children

■ The opera "The Dream," 7:30 p.m., Globe Theatre, Odessa. Tickets $15 general admission, $13 for seniors and students, $7 for ages 12 and younger. Go to www.GlobeSW.org or call 580-3177 for more information.

■ "Shrek, the Musical," 8 p.m., Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. Tickets are $24 for adults, $18 for seniors 65 and older and 18 years old and younger.

■ "Always, Patsy Cline," 8 p.m., Permian Playhouse, Odessa. For tickets call 432-362-2329 Monday through Friday from 1 to 4 p.m.

Community calendar

■ The city is hosting a Progressive Park Party 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the six parks with renovated playgrounds. Each park will have different activities, and people who visit all six parks will qualify for prize drawings. The six parks are Grafa, Butler, Pioneer, House, Sparks and Ulmer.

■ A dodgeball tournament is planned for Saturday at the Midland Indoor Soccer Center for the benefit of National MS Society.

For more information, contact Mark Solari at dbldare@suddenlink.net or visit www.eteamz.com/doubledarechallenge.

■ Haley Memorial Library and the Daughters of the Republic of Texas will host the Texas Independence Day Observance and Celebration, which is 1:30 p.m. Saturday. The event will include those in attending reciting a "Toast to Texas" and a seventh-grader reading a winning Texas history essay. For more information, call 682-5785.

Another busy sports weekend

■ Boys basketball, Region I-2A Tournament semifinals, 6 and 7:30 p.m., Chap Center.

■ Girls golf, Midland Girls Invitational at courses around Midland

■ Track, Tall City Invitational at Memorial Stadium, all day

■ Baseball, Tournament of Champions at Citibank Ballpark and other fields around Midland.

Check the Sports section for more details.

New movies in Midland

■ **At Tall City 14:** "21 and Over," "Jack the Giant Slayer" in 2D and 3D, "The Last Exorcism" and "The Medallion"

■ **At Big Sky Drive-in:** "Jack the Giant Slayer" and "21 and Over"

Water Tracker

Tuesday's total: 11,337,000 gallons (CRMWD 8,282,000, Paul Davis fields 3,055,000)

Wednesday's total: 13,109,000 gallons (CRMWD 9,943,000, Paul Davis fields 3,166,000)

Feb. 20: 11,759,000 gallons

The average usage since Feb. 1 from CRMWD is 9,501,000 gallons.

Gas prices in Midland

Cheapest gas in Midland: $3.54 (six locations)

Most expensive gas: $3.87 (NAPA Auto Care, I-20/Rankin Highway)

Most common price: $3.65

Cheapest prices in West Texas: Lubbock $3.35, San Angelo $3.52, Odessa $3.53, Midland $3.54, Abilene $3.63

	Mid-Od	Texas
Thursday	$3.645	$3.609
Last week	$3.648	$3.641
Last month	$3.192	$3.180
Last year	$3.642	$3.563

Source: TexasGasPrices.com

Lottery

Pick 3 day: 9-9-1
Pick 3 night: 7-2-8
Daily 4 day: 1-0-9-7
Daily 4 night: 4-1-0-0
Cash Five: 4-18-24-32-37
Texas Two Step: 4-13-14-21 BB: 3
All or Nothing (morning): 1-5-8-9-11-13-14-15-16-20-21-23
All or Nothing (day): 6-7-8-9-10-11-12-14-16-17-19-22
All or Nothing (evening): 1-4-5-6-8-9-11-12-15-17-19-24
All or Nothing (night): 1-5-7-8-9-10-15-16-17-18-20-23

Today in history

Today is Friday, March 1, the 60th day of 2013. There are 305 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On March 1, 1790, President George Washington signed a measure authorizing the first U.S. Census.

On this date:

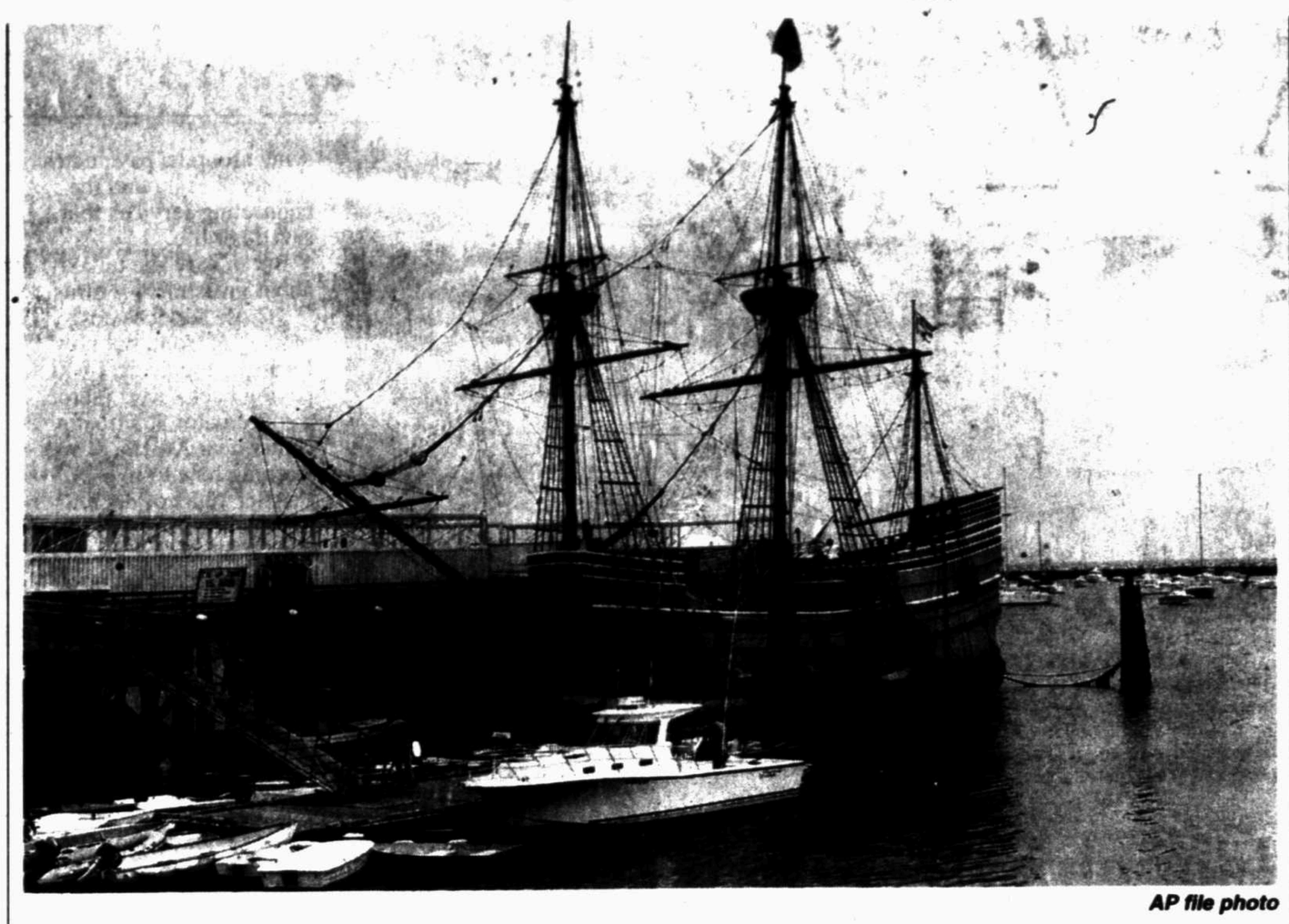
In 1932, Charles A. Lindbergh Jr., the 20-month-old son of Charles and Anne Lindbergh, was kidnapped from the family home near Hopewell, N.J. (Remains identified as those of the child were found the following May.)

In 1961, President John F. Kennedy signed an executive order establishing the Peace Corps.

In 1971, a bomb went off inside a men's room at the U.S. Capitol; the radical group Weather Underground claimed responsibility for the predawn blast.

Ten years ago: Suspected 9/11 mastermind Khalid Shaikh Mohammed was captured by CIA and Pakistani agents.

Five years ago: President George W. Bush, speaking at his Texas ranch, declined to promise more U.S. troop withdrawals from Iraq before leaving, underscoring the need for a strong military presence during Iraqi provincial elections.



AP file photo

MAYFLOWER REPLICA UNDERGOES REPAIRS

A replica of the ship that brought the Pilgrims to the New World nearly 400 years ago is undergoing major repairs. Seen here in 2008, 56-year-old Mayflower II was brought to dry dock in Fairhaven, Mass., in December for routine maintenance and inspection. During that work, it was discovered that the wooden vessel needed repairs to its frame that could not be deferred. The work is necessary to keep the ship seaworthy and to meet Coast Guard regulations. This work was originally planned for a later phase of the ship's restoration plan. Once the work is completed in May, the Mayflower II will return to the Plymouth waterfront as part of the Plimoth Plantation living-history museum. The ship is a full-scale reproduction of the Mayflower, which sailed from England to Plymouth, Mass., in 1620.

Speedometer top speed often exceeds reality

Associated Press

DETROIT — The speedometer on the Toyota Yaris says the tiny car can go 140 miles per hour.

In reality, the bulbous subcompact's 106-horsepower engine and automatic transmission can't push it any faster than 109.

So why do the Yaris — and most other cars sold in the U.S. — have speedometers that show top speeds they can't possibly reach?

The answer has deep roots in an American culture that loves the rush of driving fast. The automakers' marketing departments are happy to give people the illusion that their family car can travel at speeds rivaling a NASCAR racer. And companies often use one speedometer type in various models across the world, saving them money.

But critics say the ever-higher numbers are misleading. Some warn they create a safety concern, daring drivers to push past freeway speed limits that are 65 to 75 mph in most states.

"You reach a point where it becomes ridiculous," says Larry Dominique, a former Nissan product chief who now is executive vice president of the TrueCar.com auto pricing website. "Eighty percent plus of the cars on the road are not designed for and will not go over 110 mph."

Last year, speedometer top speeds for new versions of the mainstream Ford Fusion and Chevrolet Malibu were increased from 120 or 140 mph to 160, which approaches speeds on some NASCAR tracks. The speedometer on the Honda Accord already topped out at 160. All are midsize family haulers, the most popular segment of the U.S. auto market, and like most new cars, have top speeds that seldom exceed 120 mph.

The Yaris got its 140 mph speedometer in a redesign for the 2012 model year, giving it the same top reading as the original 1953 Chevrolet Corvette sports car. Even the new Nissan Sentra compact has a 160 mph speedometer.

There are several explanations for the speedometers.

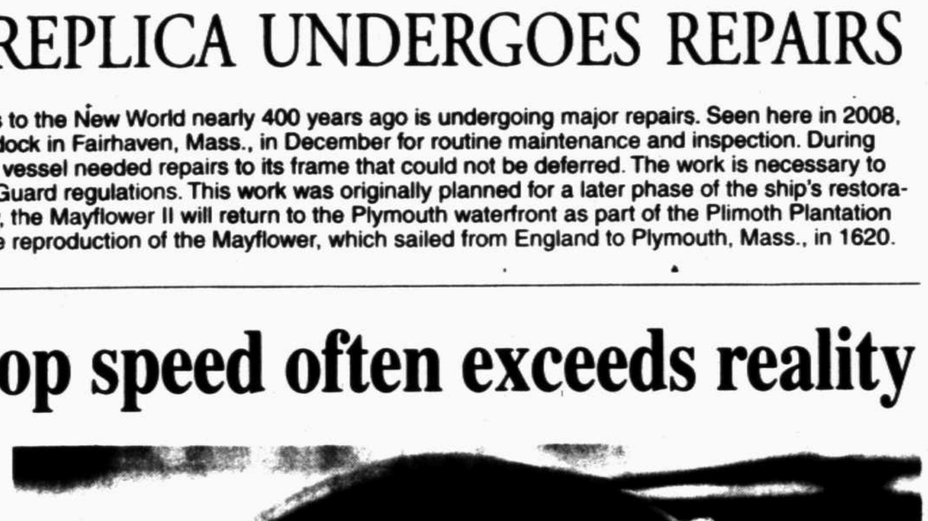
When people are comparison shopping, cars with higher speedometer readings appear to be sportier, and buyers favor them even though they have no intention of driving over 100. "People really want to see higher numbers," said Fawaz Baltaji, a business development manager for Yazaki North America, a large supplier of speedometers for auto companies. "It is indicative of a more powerful engine. There's a marketing pitch to it."

Although cars with high-horsepower engines can come close to the top speedometer speeds, most are limited by engine control computers. That's because the tires can overheat and fail at higher speeds. Tires now common on mainstream cars often can't go above 130 mph or they could fail. Many tires, especially on older models, have speed limits as low as 112. But that's still faster than most people will ever drive.

Automakers, in a push to cut costs, now sell the same cars worldwide and use the same speedometers in different cars all over the world. In China and Europe, governments require that the top number on speedometers be higher than a car's top speed. Cars sold in Europe, for instance, have faster top speeds than those sold elsewhere because they can be driven over 150 mph on sections of Germany's Autobahn. So to sell the same car or speedometer globally, the numbers have to be higher, said Kurt Tesnow, who's in charge of speedometer and instrument clusters for General Motors.

Also, some mainstream cars have some souped-up cousins that go faster and need higher speedometer numbers. A Chevy Malibu with a 2-liter turbocharged engine, for instance, can go 155 mph, far higher than the mainstream version. The little Toyota Yaris gets its speedometer from another Toyota model that's sold in other countries. "It's not that each speedometer is designed for that specific vehicle," said Greg Thome, a company spokesman.

In a similar vein, U.S. automakers can make engines that blow past 70 mph because they make cars for global drivers and speed limits vary around the world. And drivers like the security of knowing they could outrun a natural disaster, such as a tornado, if necessary.



AP file photo

The speedometer of a 1953 Corvette is seen at the GM Heritage Center in Sterling Heights, Mich., on Jan. 22. Although current cars with high-horsepower engines can come close to the top speedometer speeds, most are limited by engine control computers. That's because the tires can overheat and fail at higher speeds

STATE BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

SAN ANGELO

Large West Texas fire strikes city's downtown

Firefighters in West Texas have contained a downtown fire that leveled a warehouse full of furniture and other material.

San Angelo city spokesman Anthony Wilson said the fire was one of the largest to erupt in decades.

Firefighters continued to knock down hot spots Thursday in an industrial section of downtown.

The furniture along with wooden moving crates and other items fueled the flames. The roof of Lone Star Moving collapsed overnight.

No injuries were reported.

A call on a grass fire was received shortly before 11 p.m. Wednesday. It wasn't clear if flames spread from the grass to the building or if they began at the building.

Firefighters prevented flames from spreading to a nearby row of homes.

EL PASO

US seeks $2.5 million in lawyer's money laundering case

Federal prosecutors are seeking the forfeiture of $2.5 million in cash from a former Carnegie Mellon University trustee accused of conspiring to launder more than half a billion dollars for a drug cartel.

An indictment filed Wednesday in Texas alleges that El Paso lawyer and philanthropist Marco Delgado defrauded millions from a firm doing business with a Mexican utility and used that money to underwrite a lavish lifestyle.

According to the indictment, Delgado wired $200,000 to Pittsburgh in July, 2010. Carnegie Mellon is in Pittsburgh, but it's not clear from the indictment if the money was donated to the university. The school says only that it is cooperating with authorities.

Delgado could be sentenced to up to 20 years in prison if convicted. Authorities also have requested forfeiture of $2.5 million in cash, a house and furniture in El Paso and a New Mexico apartment, as well as two vehicles.

Delgado is charged with 15 money laundering and two wire fraud counts. The indictment returned in El Paso alleges Delgado fraudulently instructed a bank in Mexico to move $32 million dollars from his client's Mexican account to an account he controlled in the Turks and Caicos islands. The indictment says the El Paso lawyer then diverted part of that money to Texas, New Mexico and Pennsylvania.

ECONOMY

From 1A

Texas Permian Basin Petroleum Index that he also prepares posted its first monthly increase in six months in January, fueled by a rise in the rig count and number of drilling permits issued by the Railroad Commission.

Ingham said the rig count, though down in January, showed an increase in February. The number of drilling permits issued for the three Railroad Commission districts that comprise West Texas was up 36.6 percent over January 2012 at 1,012 permits issued and was easily the highest January total in the history of the analysis, he said.

With operators beginning to develop the Cline Shale to Midland's east much as they did the Wolfberry around Midland and the Wolfbone or Bone Springs to the west, he said "that could be a staggering set of numbers." With some estimates having the Cline holding more than 30 billion barrels of oil, and Ingham said there is no doubt it would impact Midland and Odessa.

"We may well be setting ourselves up for another extraordinary year in a string of extraordinary years," he said. "This may top them all."

Such potential draws concern from Jim Smitherman, chief executive officer of Security Bank.

"Sooner or later, supply and demand will come into play," he said, asking "How much production will be enough?"

Smitherman's bank serves a number of oil service companies, Smitherman he said, and they are seeing greater competition than in the past. Where there were three competitors, he said, now there may be 13, and he fretted that that much competition will soon put pressure on businesses.

Ingham said he understands Smitherman's concerns but pointed out that the nation still imports 40 percent of its oil and that the rise in domestic production is merely replacing oil brought in from outside the country.

"We have a ways to go," he said. "We have a lot of wiggle room in displacing imports." The downside, he said, will be when the country is producing the bulk of its energy domestically. "That creates a lot of temptation by the government to manage the market," he said.

Meanwhile, consumer activity remained strong, with retail sales up 16.2 percent compared to January 2012. Automotive spending was up 9.2 percent, but Ingham said that January 2012 automotive spending was more than 40 percent above January 2011 levels.

Construction continued sharply higher, with the value of building permits 83.1 percent above January 2012 levels, he said. Ingham said that was the highest on record for January. Midland and Odessa issued 103 permits for new homes, 51.5 percent more than the 68 issued last January.

Existing home sales dipped 6.7 percent to 167 from 179, but Ingham said that's a reflection of a lack of homes to sell. The average sales price rose 2.2 percent to $217,706 from $212,930 last January. Ingham noted that the January average was more than 15 percent higher than January 2011.

While Smitherman noted that "these are the greatest of times" that will last awhile, he continued to urge caution.

"This economy is neither predictable nor safe," he said. "You should be careful about what you do and how much debt you carry."

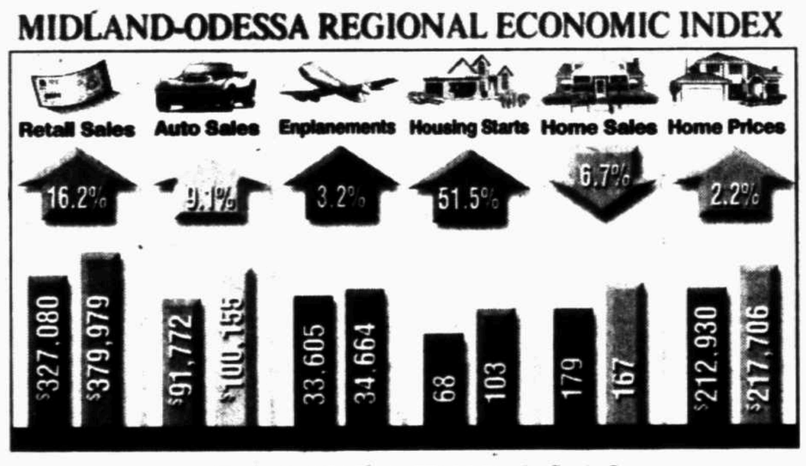
The bank, he said, recently held its shareholder meeting. "The chairman and I agreed that in 30 years of banking, sticking to fundamentals has never been more critical."

Ingham agreed that the possibility of an economic slowdown remains, citing the $30 drop in crude prices last spring, an event that still hasn't been fully explained.

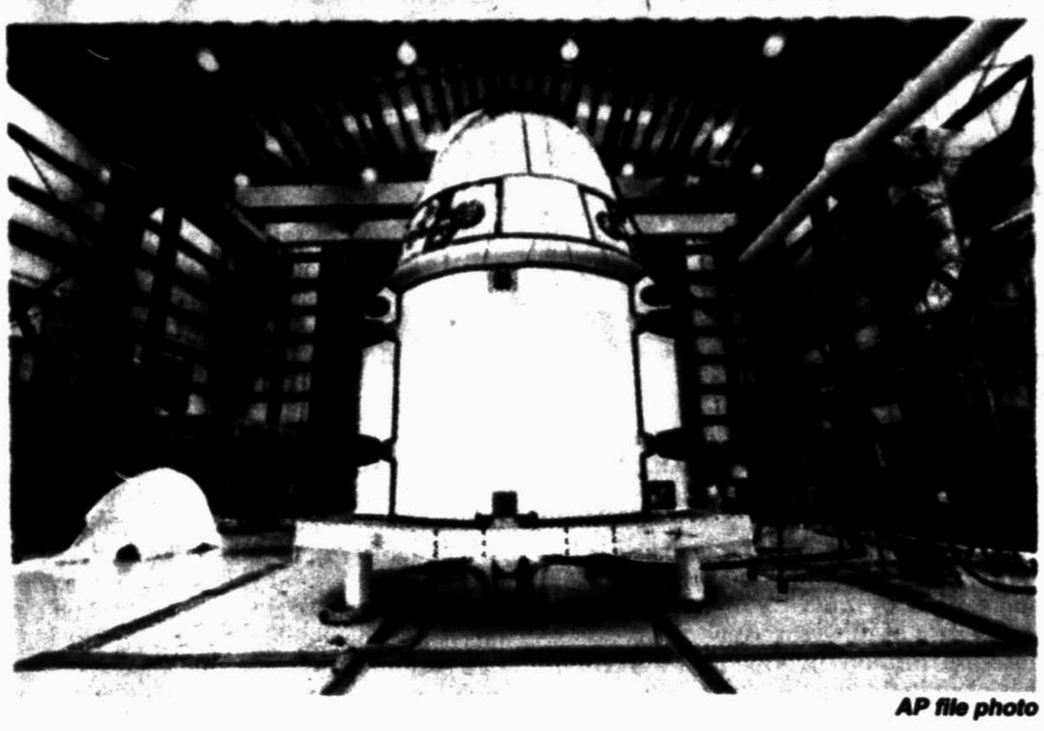
"There was a hint of things not going well, and that roiled the market," he said.

"All we can do is watch daily and monthly and get a sense of when there's a crack in the armor," Ingham concluded. "So far it's not there."

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JANUARY 2013



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This photo taken Jan. 12 and provided by NASA shows the Dragon spacecraft inside a processing hangar at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Cape Canaveral, Fla., where teams had just installed the spacecraft's solar array fairings. The California company known as SpaceX is scheduled to launch its unmanned Falcon rocket this morning, carrying a Dragon capsule containing more than a ton of food, tools, computer hardware and science experiments.

SpaceX to launch 3rd supply run to space station today

Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — The International Space Station is about to get another commercial shipment.

The California company known as SpaceX is set to launch its unmanned Falcon rocket this morning, hoisting a Dragon capsule containing more than a ton of food, tools, computer hardware and science experiments.

There won't be any ice cream, though, for the six-man station crew. The freezers going up are filled with mouse stem cells, protein crystals and other research items. On the previous Dragon delivery in October, chocolate-vanilla swirl was tucked inside.

SpaceX President Gwynne Shotwell said snacks straight from the orchard of an employee's father are on board — and not just apples.

"It's a little bit healthier, I think, than the one that NASA sent last time," she told reporters on the eve of the flight.

Forecasters put the odds of good weather at 80 percent. Launch time is 9:10 a.m. Central.

This will be the third space station visit for SpaceX, or more formally Space Exploration Technologies Corp., the creation of Elon Musk, of PayPal and Tesla electric carmaker fame.

NASA is paying the company to supply the orbiting lab; the contract is worth $1.6 billion for 12 delivery runs.

If launched Friday, the Dragon should arrive at the space station on Saturday morning. Astronauts will use the station's robot arm to grab the Dragon and attach it to the orbiting complex.

A variety of plant life is going up, including 640 seeds of mouse-ear cress, a small flowering weed used in research. Other experiments involve paint; high school students want to see how it will adhere and dry in space.

Russia, Europe and Japan also provide delivery services to the space station, but none of those cargo craft can return goods like the SpaceX Dragon. This latest Dragon will spend more than three weeks at the space station before departing and parachuting into the Pacific with a full load of medical specimens, fish, plants and old equipment.

Orbital Sciences Corp., a cargo-flying competitor, hopes to launch its first orbital test flight from Wallops Island, Va., in April, followed by an actual demo mission to the space station in early summer.

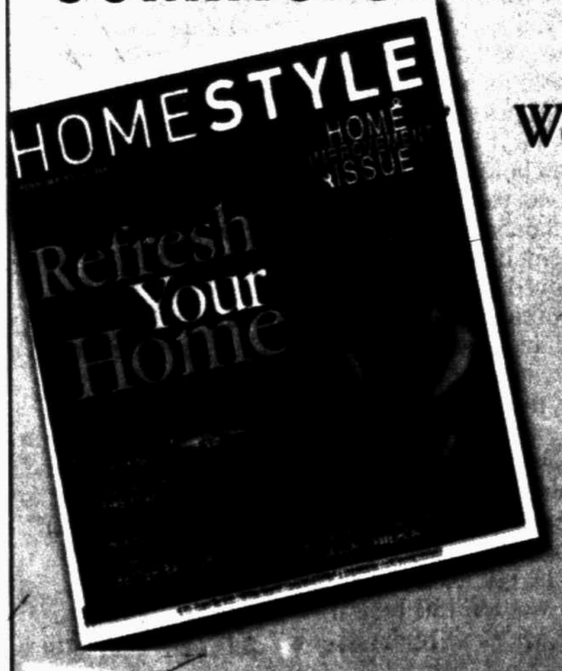
SpaceX, based in Hawthorne, Calif., is working to modify its Dragon capsules to transport astronauts to the station in another few years. A handful of U.S. companies are vying for the job.

Until then, NASA is buying seats for its astronauts on Russian Soyuz rockets to get to the station.



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Why some on the left are hoping for Armageddon

■ If sequestration doesn't bring the pain, Obama loses and that, they believe, can't happen.



CHARLES KRAUTHAMMER
Washington Post Writers Group

"The worst-case scenario for us," a leading anti-budget-cuts lobbyist told The Washington Post, "is the sequester hits and nothing bad really happens."

Think about that. Worst case? That a government drowning in debt should cut back by 2.2 percent — and the country survives. That a government now borrowing 35 cents of every dollar it spends reduces that borrowing by two cents "and nothing bad really happens." Oh, the humanity!

A normal citizen might think this a good thing. For reactionary liberalism, however, whatever sum our ever-inflating government happens to spend today (now double what Bill Clinton spent in his last year) is the Platonic ideal — the reduction of which, however minuscule, is a national calamity.

Or damn well should be. Otherwise, people might get the idea that we can shrink government, and live on.

Hence the president's message. If the "sequestration" — automatic spending cuts — goes into effect, the skies will fall. Plane travel jeopardized, carrier groups beached, teachers furloughed.

The administration has every incentive to make the sky fall, lest we suffer that terrible calamity — cuts the nation survives. Are they threatening to pare back consultants, conferences, travel and other nonessential fluff? Hardly. It shall be air-traffic control. Meat inspection. Weather forecasting.

A 2011 GAO report gave a sampling of the vastness of what could be cut, consolidated and rationalized in Washington: 44 overlapping job training programs, 18 for nutrition assistance, 82 on teacher quality, 56 dealing with financial literacy, more than 20 for homelessness, etc. Total annual cost: $100 billion-$200 billion, about two to five times the entire domestic sequester.

Are these on the chopping block? No sir. It's firemen first. That's the phrase coined in 1976 by legendary Washington Monthly Editor Charlie Peters to describe the way government functionaries beat back budget cuts. Dare suggest a nick in the city budget and the mayor immediately shuts down the firehouse. The DMV back office stacked with nepotistic incompetents remains intact. Shrink it and no one would notice. Sell the firetruck — the people scream and the city council falls silent about any future cuts.

After all, the sequester is just one-half of 1 percent of GDP. It amounts to 1.4 cents on the dollar of nondefense spending, 2 cents overall.

Because of this year's payroll tax increase, millions of American workers have had to tighten their belts by precisely 2 percent. They found a way. Washington, spending $3.8 trillion, cannot? If so, we might as well declare bankruptcy now and save the attorneys' fees.

The problem with sequestration is that the cuts are across the board and do not allow money to move between accounts. It's dumb because it doesn't discriminate.

Fine. Then change the law. That's why we have a Congress. Discriminate. Prioritize. That's why we have budgets. Except that the Democratic Senate hasn't passed one in four years. And the White House, which proposed the sequester in the first place, had 18 months to establish rational priorities among accounts — and did nothing.

When the GOP House passed an alternative that cut where the real money is — entitlement spending — President Obama threatened a veto. Meaning, he would have insisted that the sequester go into effect — the very same sequester he now tells us will bring on Armageddon.

Good grief. The entire sequester would have reduced last year's deficit from $1.33 trillion to $1.24 trillion. A fraction of a fraction. Nonetheless, insists Obama, such a cut is intolerable. It has to be "balanced" — i.e., largely replaced — by yet more taxes.

Which demonstrates that, for Obama, this is not about deficit reduction, which interests him not at all. The purpose is purely political: to complete his Election Day victory by breaking the Republican opposition.

At the "fiscal cliff," Obama broke — and split — the Republicans on taxes. With the sequester, he intends to break them on spending. Make the cuts as painful as possible, and watch the Republicans come crawling for a "balanced" (i.e., tax hiking) deal.

In the past two years, House Republicans stopped cold Obama's left-liberal agenda. Break them now and the road is open to resume enactment of the expansive, entitlement-state liberalism that Obama proclaimed in his second inaugural address.

But he cannot win if "nothing bad really happens." Indeed, he'd look both foolish and cynical for having cried wolf. His incentive to deliberately make the most painful and socially disruptive cuts possible (say, oh, releasing illegal immigrants from detention) is enormous. And alarming.

Hail Armageddon.

OUR VIEW

Fire Department's Capt. Wise made an impact on Midland

Laurels

■ **For Capt. Lee Wise.** The Midland firefighter was taken from us much too soon, but his impact was felt by many in our community. His comrades called him one of the "great ones." We are sad he was taken from us at the age of 54 after a several-year battle with cancer, but he will be remembered.

We challenge local citizens to help honor Wise by increasing their donation during the MFD's Fill the Boot campaign, which is set for April 24-26. Fill the Boot was something Wise was passionate about and setting a new record during the Muscular Dystrophy Association benefit would be a great way to say thank you to one of the "great ones." Managing Editor Mary Dearen also is collecting for Fill the Boot in memory of Wise. To make a contribution, contact her at 687-8852 or mdearen@mrt.com.

■ **For Anna James.** The Midland High junior was a favorite going into the UIL State Swimming and Diving Championships and delivered with the city's first UIL Diving gold in four decades (Lee's Stephen Hundley won in 1970). James, an elite performer at the national level, posted district and regional records along the way. We look forward to what the future holds for Anna.

■ **For Gabrielle Rubio.** The Alamo Junior High seventh-grader won the 26th annual Reporter-Telegram Spelling Bee last week. Rubio outlasted two quality spellers — Sophia Koo, of Abell Junior High; and Nikkie Galindo, of Trinity School — to punch her ticket to the Scripps National Spelling Bee in Washington. She has put the Rubio family out front for the fourth time overall. Gabrielle joins her sister — 2006 winner Danielle — and bother — two-time champion Thomas (2011 and 2012) — as Reporter-Telegram Spelling Bee champions.

■ **For Dale Little.** Midland County's emergency coordinator has earned the title of Emergency Coordinator of the Year for the State of Texas.

Little received the award at the Emergency Management Association of Texas' 2013 annual award program Feb. 19 in San Marcos. Congrats to Dale for the award.

■ **For Scharbauer Elementary School's Stacey Callaway.** She believes teachers can offer solutions to some of the problems faced by public schools. Among those problems is lack of supplies available to teachers and students. The money each teacher receives for supplies "doesn't go very far, so most teachers end up supplementing with their own money," she wrote in a column on Tuesday's Education page.

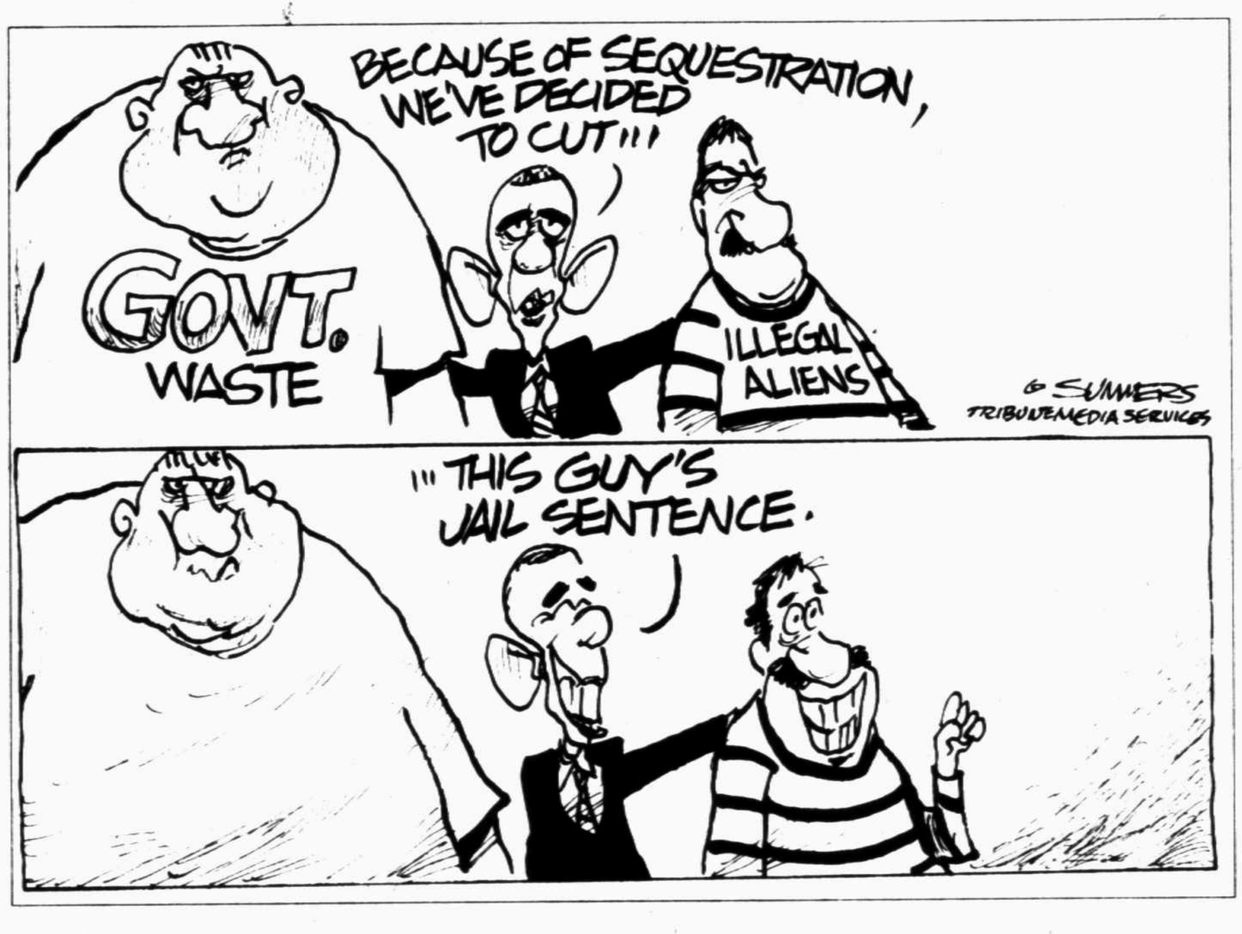
As a solution, Callaway suggested that businesses could become sponsors to provide "a fully stocked supply closet for every school." We think that's an excellent idea and hope some local businesses think so, too. This would be another way for Midlanders to demonstrate their generosity.

■ **For Councilman John Love III.** Midland's newest city council representative already has made his voice heard. This week he questioned the police department about the process of filing a complaint when it comes to racial profiling. We don't believe he was making an allegation that racial profiling is taking place, but that he has heard concerns about the process. And as the representative of Midland residents he has an obligation to speak.

We believe MPD is working hard to make Midland a better place for all residents. We also believe Love was doing the job that the residents of District 2 expect. And we offer this reminder. Just because someone files a complaint that racial profiling took place doesn't mean that it happened. It just allows the process of review to be set in motion. It also is part of the dialogue between residents and government, and we are in favor of making that dialogue as easy as possible.

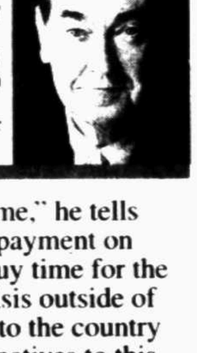
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Sequestration brings out Ryan's hope

■ The House Budget Committee chairman believes the country has to get debt under control and that's why he thinks this war will be won.



CAL THOMAS
Tribune Media Services

House Budget Committee Chairman Paul Ryan, R-Wis., is looking beyond today and the beginning of the sequestration.

In an interview I conducted with him on Capitol Hill Tuesday, Ryan told me he believes a majority of Americans will come to understand how bad the debt is after the rhetoric gives way to reality.

"Mitt (Romney) and I shadowboxed against the theory of big government," he says, "while (President) Obama made all the great promises of what it delivered and used soaring rhetoric to sell it, but that will be different in a second term (when) the results start materializing."

As one example, Ryan mentions the impact of the Affordable Care Act — Obamacare — on seniors. He believes that when seniors begin to experience Obamacare's negative effects it will "put us in a much better position not just to say, 'I told you so,' but to show there's a far better way than 15 people on a board appointed by the president making all these decisions that will ration your health care on top of all these ... price controls to providers that will restrict your access."

By the end of next year, Ryan believes, "...you'll see a lot of anxiety in the health care provider community that will damage access to health care for seniors and I think the bloom will come off the Obamacare rose, such as it exists today (with) every additional year of implementation."

Ryan says health care providers are already telling some members of Congress about their "negative margins with Obamacare kicking in" and how the law will either force them to close, or "they're going to stop taking people, or overcharge the private payers who increasingly will dump their employees into the Obamacare program."

"The president said, 'if you like your plan you can keep it,'" Ryan said. "Not true. The president said this was going to improve Medicare. He said health care costs would go down. They've gone up."

Given all this, what will Ryan and the Republicans do when across-the-board spending cuts begin?

"Our job is to buy the country time," he tells me. "That means we need a down payment on the debt and deficits. We need to buy time for the bond markets to push off a debt crisis outside of the four-year window. We then go to the country with a real agenda of specific alternatives to this progressive experiment that's unfolding to win 2016 so we can actually fix this thing before it's too late."

He says he's not worried about polls that show a majority of the country will blame Republicans for the sequester: "Getting actual accomplishments by getting debt and deficits under control, stabilizing our debt to buy the country time so we don't have a debt crisis" will allow Republicans to "go to the country with a crystal clear choice that more clearly juxtapose(s) against the reality of big government under Obama is what we have to shoot for."

Ryan says the House next week will give the president "...some reprogramming authority to be able to direct cuts to lower priority areas from higher priority areas."

What if the Senate doesn't go along? "That's their choice," he says.

Ryan recalls how scare tactics failed in the 1996 debate over welfare reform when liberals lamented cuts to the welfare program that they believed would surely lead to poor children starving in the streets of America. Instead Clinton's welfare-to-work program made it possible for many low-income Americans to get jobs. Ryan calls the current GOP plan "Welfare Reform 2.0" and expects similar positive results by focusing on "improving prosperity, opportunity and individual responsibility."

Democrats have "won a battle, but not the war," Ryan says.

Is he optimistic he will win the war?

"I wouldn't be here if I wasn't."

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WASHINGTON

Obama to urge court to overturn gay marriage ban

The Obama administration planned to ask the Supreme Court on Thursday to overturn California's ban on gay marriage and take a skeptical view of similar bans elsewhere, according to a person familiar with the government's legal filing in the California case.

While the administration's friend-of-the-court brief in the Proposition 8 case does not call for marriage equality across the United States, it does point the court in that direction.

A Supreme Court ruling in line with the administration's argument could have broad implications and almost certainly expand the rights of same-sex couples to wed.

The administration's nonbinding brief contends that denying gays and lesbians the right to marry violates the Constitution's Equal Protection Clause. The document urges the justices to give extra rigorous review to any law that discriminates on the basis of sexual orientation.

WASHINGTON

Intel committee to vote next week on CIA nominee

The Senate Intelligence Committee is scheduled to vote early next week on John Brennan's nomination to be director of the CIA, the panel's leaders said Thursday.

The Democratic leader of the committee had hoped to hold the vote Thursday. But Sen. Saxby Chambliss, R-Ga., the committee's vice chairman, said consideration of Brennan's nomination was delayed because he and other committee members had not received all the material they'd requested from the White House about lethal drone strikes against terror suspects and the attack on the U.S. diplomatic mission in Benghazi, Libya.

Big spending cuts mark tea party success, risk

By Charles Babington
Associated Press

ANALYSIS

WASHINGTON — The pending $85 billion in federal spending cuts would seem like a tea partyer's dream. Why, then, are tea party activists and other conservatives so wary on the eve of the big reductions, which Congress and the White House seem unable or unwilling to stop?

It's because even ardent cost-cutters see the so-called sequester as a ham-handed and unpredictable way to reduce federal spending. While a few tea party activists are claiming all-out victory, others are keeping their distance, calling the across-the-board cuts the least-bad of several unpleasant options.

"I think it's a crazy idea," said Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., a tea party favorite. "The only thing crazier than sequester is to walk away from the cuts that it guarantees."

Rubio's remarks reflect Republicans' nervousness about how the public might react to the domestic and military spending cuts scheduled to begin today.

But in many ways, the sequester marks the tea party movement's maturation into a virtually mainstream role in the Republican Party. Cutting the Pentagon's budget once was unthinkable for most Republican lawmakers. But now it is trumped by the drive to keep taxes down while reducing costs wherever possible.

Congressional Democrats and Republicans agreed to the sequester in 2011 only as a consequence so unpalatable that it would goad them into finding a deficit-reduction compromise. The compromise never materialized, however, and now the nation is about to swallow what lawmakers once called a "poison pill" of their own making.

Republicans fear a possible backlash against program cuts and furloughs of government workers and contractors, especially at military bases. They also worry that the cuts will have an economic domino effect, eliminating thousands of private-sector jobs and possibly pushing the nation back into recession.

If that happens, and if voters decide Republicans are chiefly to blame, then the tea party movement could further divide an already roiling GOP.

President Barack Obama and other Democrats say Republican intransigence on tax increases is the sequester's main cause. And public polls indicate Americans are more inclined to fault the GOP if things go badly, although some Republicans believe they can change that.

For now, the approaching cuts are testament to the power of anti-tax sentiment — and, to a less proven degree, anti-spending sentiment — in the Republican Party. The tea party movement is strongly associated with these sentiments. But it certainly can't take all the credit.

Long before the tea party's birth in 2009, anti-tax activists such as Grover Norquist were pushing the Republican Party to take inviolable stands against new taxes, even as the deficit soared and the federal tax burden approached historic lows.

The tea party has lost much of its exotic flavor that was punctuated by noisy rallies with costumed activists in 2009 and 2010. Its influence, however, appears larger now. "It has melted into the GOP base," said John J. Pitney, Jr., a former Republican staffer who teaches political science at Claremont McKenna College in California. "Anti-tax voters make up a large share of the vote in GOP primaries," he said, "so Republican lawmakers support tax increases at their peril."

But Republicans could face another kind of peril, Pitney said, if the sequester lasts for months and begins to erode "visible, popular programs."

Duke University political scientist David Rohde said the tea party has become "the populist conservative faction of the Republican Party." It drew well-deserved credit for fueling the Republicans' big congressional and gubernatorial wins in 2010, he said, even though some tea party-backed Senate nominees lost key races.

The movement's future, Rohde said, depends on whether tea party activism is seen as helping or hurting Republican candidates in 2014 and beyond. Fallout from the sequester could play a big role in those elections.

The tea party drive to reduce federal spending at almost every level is potent in GOP circles. Rep. Jack Kingston, of Georgia, eyeing a Senate race that will draw several hard-right Republican rivals, says the sequester appears inevitable but that it will extract an economic and political price.

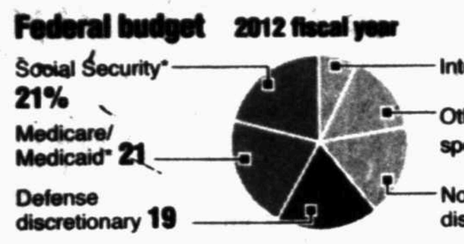
Referring to military bases in his Savannah-based district, Kingston said, "my people will take it on the chin." But in constituent feedback about the sequester, he said, "the overwhelming number of people are saying, 'Let it happen.' They want to see that we are serious about cutting spending."

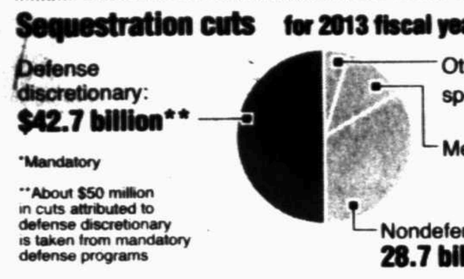
Even some tea party leaders say the movement's take-no-prisoners approach has its costs.

"Our brand is tarnished, but that's what happens when you get beat up," said Sal Russo, a founder of the California-based Tea Party Express. "It's not the brand" that counts, he said, "it's the ideas."

Where cuts come from

Discretionary defense spending makes up about 19 percent of the 2012 fiscal year federal budget, but it accounts for half the scheduled sequestration cuts.





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Study shows wild bees are disappearing in the Midwest

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — It's not just honey bees that are in trouble. The fuzzy American bumblebee seems to be disappearing in the Midwest.

Two new studies in Thursday's journal Science conclude that wild bees, like the American bumblebee, are increasingly important in pollinating flowers and crops that provide us with food. And, at least in the Midwest, they seem to be dwindling in an alarming manner, possibly from disease and parasites.

Wild bees are difficult to track, so scientists have had a hard time knowing what's happening to them. But because of one man in a small town in Illinois in the 1890s, researchers now have a better clue.

Naturalist Charles Robertson went out daily in a horse-drawn buggy and meticulously collected and categorized insects in Carlinville in southern Illinois.

More than a century later, Laura Burkle, of Montana State University, went back to see what changed. Burkle and her colleagues reported that they could only find half the species of wild bees that Robertson found — 54 of 109 types.

"That's a significant decline. It's a scary decline," Burkle said Thursday.

And what's most noticeable is the near absence of one particular species, the yellow-and-black American bumblebee. There are 4,000 species of wild bees in America and 49 of them are bumblebees. In the Midwest, the most common bee has been Bombus pensylvanicus, known as the American bumblebee. It only stings defensively, experts say.

But in 447 hours of searching, Burkle's team found only one American bumblebee, a queen.

That fits with a study that University of Illinois entomologist Sydney Cameron did two years ago when she found a dramatic reduction in the number and range of the American bumblebee.

"It was the most dominant bumblebee in the Midwest," Cameron said, saying it now has pretty much disappeared from much of its northern range. Overall, its range has shrunk by about 23 percent, although it is still strong in Texas and the West, she said.

"People call them the big fuzzies," Cameron said. "They're phenomenal animals. They can fly in the snow."

Her research found four species of bumblebees in trouble: the American bumblebee, the rusty-patched bumblebee, the western bumblebee and the yellow-banded bumblebee.

A separate Science study by a European team showed that wild bees in general have a larger role in pollinating plants than the honey bees that are trucked in to do the job professionally.

Those domesticated bees are already in trouble with record high prices for bees to pollinate California almond trees, said David Inouye at the University of Maryland.

Scientists suspect a combination of disease and parasites for the dwindling of both wild and domesticated bees.



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This 2008 photo, provided by amateur Illinois bee spotter Johanna James-Heinz, shows a rusty-patched bumblebee in Peoria, Ill. It is one of four types of bumblebees researchers said is in trouble.

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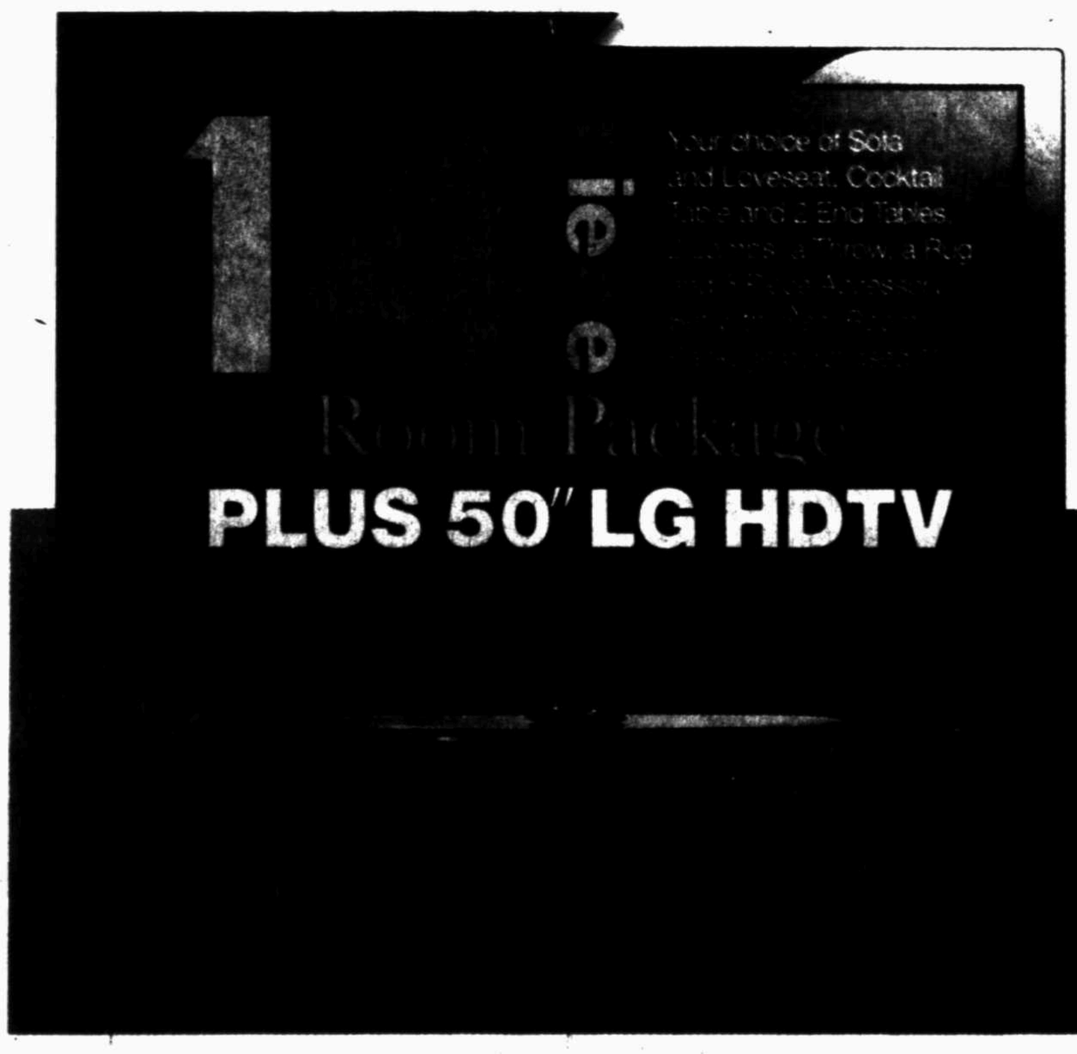
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Crestview looks to 'Be the Church' in the community

■ 16 service projects to kick off March 23 around town.

By Audrie Palmer
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One local church will work to expand its mission beyond the church walls as members kick off the "Be the Church" campaign this month.

"A lot of people view the church just on Sundays, but part of what we believe is to serve," said Crestview Baptist Church missions and community pastor Jay Whitlow.

On March 23, the church will launch 15 to 16 service projects around town that church members and volunteers will have a chance to participate in.

The projects range from home repairs and light construction like painting and yard work to helping at the Baptist Crisis Center and Buckner Family Place.

"One of the cool things we'll be doing at Buckner is that there are 14 ladies who live there. We'll be having a car clinic and providing oil changes and routine maintenance checks that they might not have time to do themselves or money to pay for the services," Whitlow said.

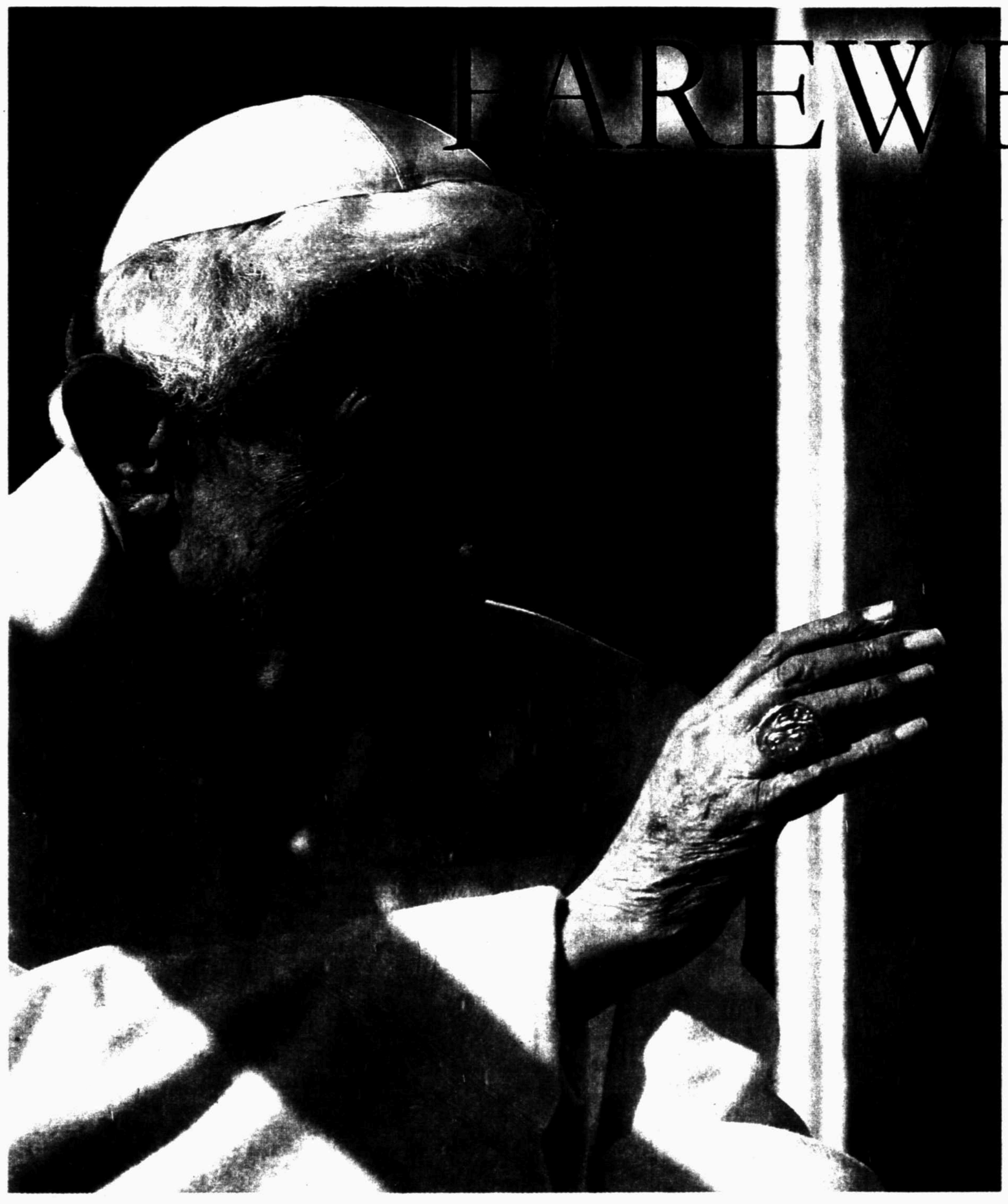
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PRAYER BREAKFAST

Members of Fannin Terrace Baptist Church lead worship songs Wednesday morning at the annual Midland Prayer Breakfast.



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"I am simply a pilgrim who is starting the last part of his journey."

Pope Benedict XVI

Pope gives final message to the faithful

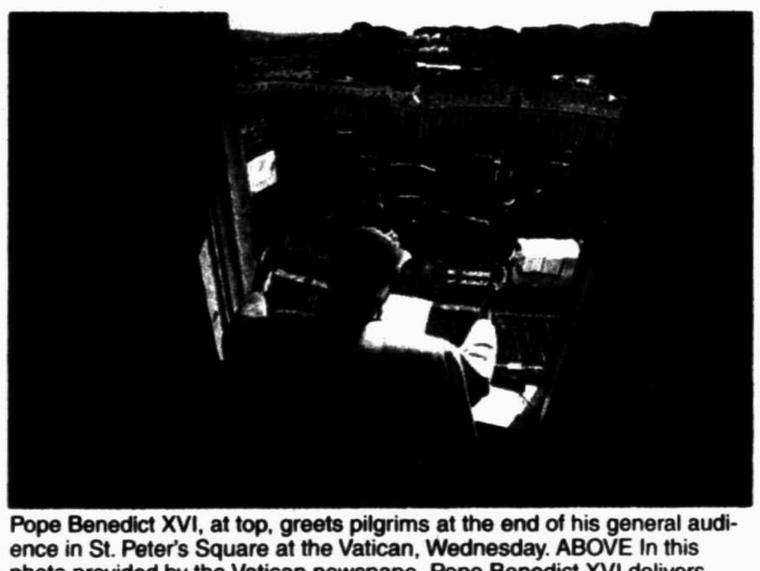
By Nicole Winfield and Frances D'Emilio
Associated Press

CASTEL GANDOLFO, Italy — Benedict XVI became the first pope in 600 years to resign Thursday, ending an eight-year pontificate shaped by struggles to move the church past sex abuse scandals and to reawaken Christianity in an indifferent world.

As bells tolled, the Swiss Guards standing at attention in Castel Gandolfo shut the doors of the palazzo shortly after 8 p.m. Thursday (2 p.m. EST), symbolically closing out a papacy whose legacy will be most marked by the way it ended — a resignation instead of a death.

In a changing of the guard,

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Pope Benedict XVI, at top, greets pilgrims at the end of his general audience in St. Peter's Square at the Vatican, Wednesday. ABOVE In this photo provided by the Vatican newspape, Pope Benedict XVI delivers his blessing during his last Angelus noon prayer, from the window of his studio overlooking St. Peter's Square, at the Vatican, Sunday. RIGHT Pope Benedict XVI waves from his pope-mobile as he is driven through the crowd Wednesday.

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Understanding love's internal source can improve relationships



KELSANG CHONDZIN

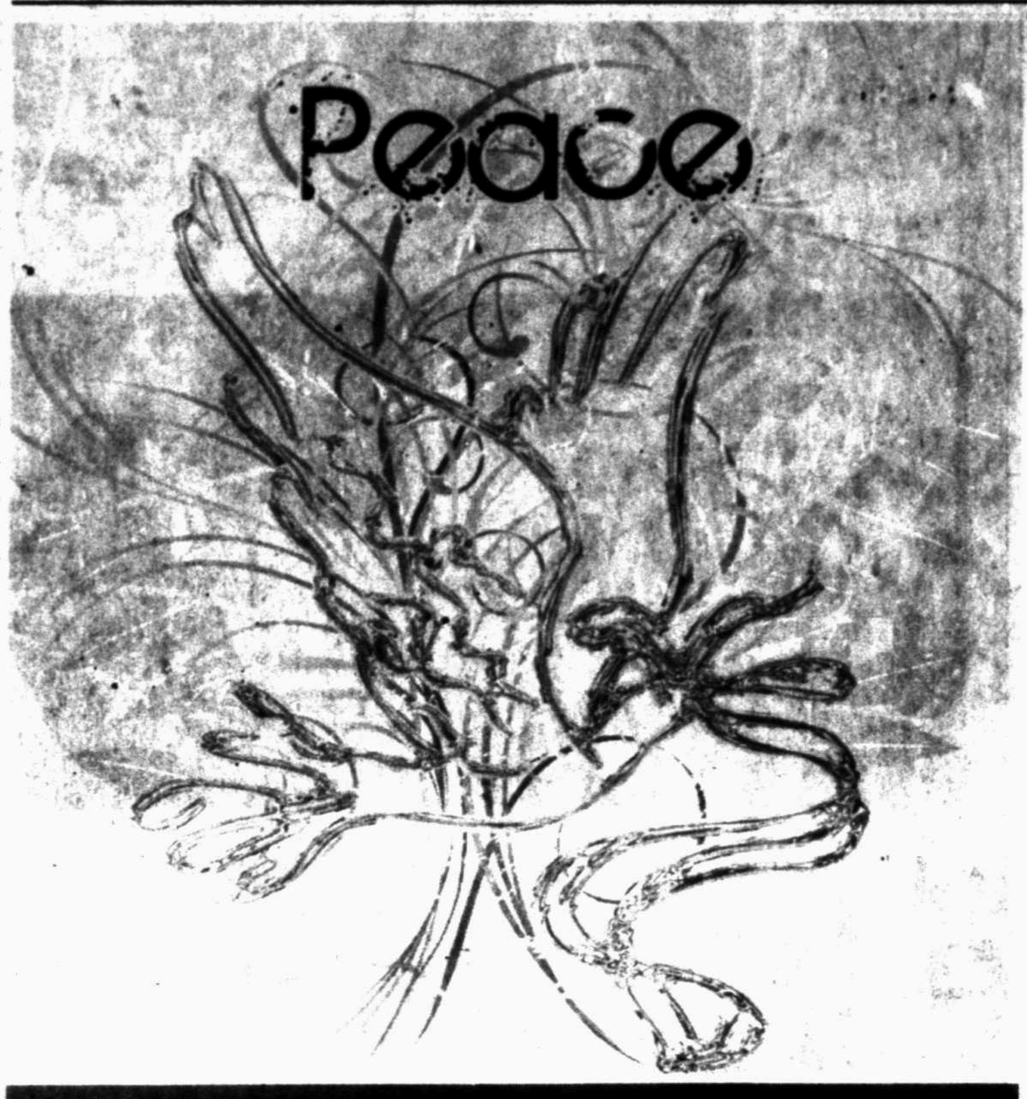
We live in a sea of relationships — we are always connected with others in one way or another. So, if we enhance our ways of loving others and bring greater happiness and peace to our own hearts, this will be of great benefit for all.

There will be a short course on developing the love in our relationships from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 9, at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 3301 Neeley Ave. The course will include a half hour break and refreshments. There will be a charge of $25. People of all religious beliefs and philosophical backgrounds are warmly welcomed. Buddhism does not believe it is the only valid spiritual path. There are many good and valid ways for people to explore their spiritual life — Buddhism is just one of them.

To expand our love, our pure love that brings only happiness, we need to orient some basic beliefs differently. First of all, we free ourselves when we realize that we already have the source of love within ourselves. Love is not something we "get" from other people. It is something that we already have, our very nature and the core of our being. When we deeply realize this, we relax, and we love everybody in our life better. We free ourselves from the needy attitude we sometimes fall into, thinking we absolutely need someone in our life to act a certain way to make us happy. We are capable of making ourselves totally happy — we just need to learn more about how to do this. In this course, we will explore together ways to do this.

We will look at ways to avoid conflict, anger, jealousy, over-dependence and other uncomfortable emotions, and look at how to develop the loving heart that can be flexible, intelligent and good to the people in our lives. As we give out more love, more and more love comes back to us, and our lives become fuller, richer and happier.

Kelsang Chondzin recently moved to West Texas from the National Buddhist Center in New York. She now serves as the resident teacher at Bodhichitta Kadampa Buddhist Center in Lubbock.



The flesh and the Holy Spirit are at constant odds. As a believer, you have a choice between the two. Choose the holy path, and you will be at peace. Choose the path of the flesh, and you will feel an internal struggle as the desires of the Holy Spirit clash against the desires of the flesh.

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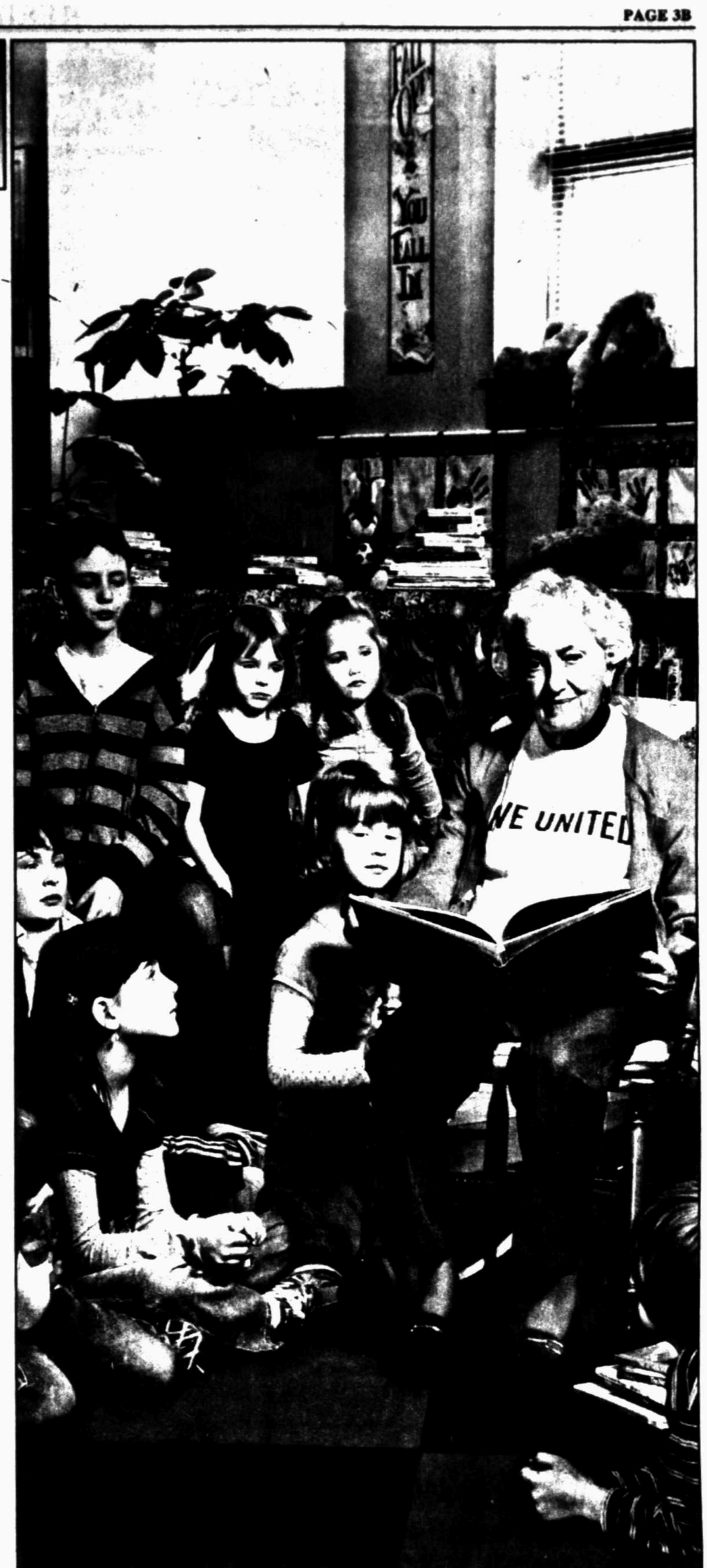
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Man behind 'Great Train Robbery' dies at 81

Associated Press

LONDON — Bruce Reynolds, the mastermind of the "Great Train Robbery" in Britain that brought its perpetrators cash, incarceration and pop-culture fame, died Thursday. He was 81.

Reynolds was part of a gang that stole sacks containing 2.6 million pounds from a Glasgow-to-London mail train in August 1963. The haul would be worth more than 40 million pounds ($60 million) today and was then Britain's biggest-ever robbery.

Reynolds escaped to Mexico, where he lived the high life and evaded capture for several years, but returned to England when his money ran out. He was arrested in 1968 and sentenced to 25 years in jail. He was released a decade later and produced occasional pieces of journalism and a well-regarded crime memoir, "The Autobiography of a Thief."

Son Nick Reynolds said his father died after a brief illness.

Reynolds also performed from time to time with the rock band Alabama 3, of which his son is a member.

The audacious heist has been the subject of many books and films, including Peter Yates' "Robbery" and "Buster," starring Phil Collins as gang member Buster Edwards, who ended up running a flower stall outside London's Waterloo Station.

The participants became criminal celebrities — to the chagrin of the police and the family of Jack Mills, the train driver, who was hit on the head during the robbery and never fully recovered. He died seven years later.

Most of the gang members were soon rounded up, and 12 men eventually were convicted of involvement in the robbery, though most of the money was never recovered.

One gang member, Ronnie Biggs, escaped from prison in 1965 and spent decades thumbing his nose at British authorities from his home in Brazil before returning to Britain and prison in 2001. Reynolds flew to Rio to accompany Biggs on the flight home aboard a plane chartered by a tabloid newspaper.

In a 2003 interview, Reynolds recalled that "from an early age I always wanted a life of adventure." Rejected by the Royal Navy because of poor eyesight, he tried to become a foreign correspondent, but got no further than clerk at the Daily Mail newspaper.

Crime provided a life of excitement, but also pain.

"I've always felt that I can't escape my past," Reynolds said in 2003. "And in many ways I feel that it is like a line from the 'Ancient Mariner' and that the notoriety was like an albatross around my neck."

Actor Dale Robertson dies at 89

Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — Dale Robertson, an Oklahoma native who became a star of television and movie Westerns during the genre's heyday, died Tuesday. He was 89.

Dale Robertson had bit parts in films including "The Boy with the Green Hair" and the Joan Crawford vehicle "Flamingo Road" before landing more high-profile roles such as Jesse James in "Fighting Man of the Plains."

In the 1950s, he moved into television, starring in series such as "Tales of Wells Fargo" (1957-62), "Iron Horse" (1966) and "Death Valley Days" (1968-70).

Robertson continued to work in TV in the 1970s, and in the 1980s he landed roles in the soap operas "Dallas" and "Dynasty."

Obituaries



Angela Marie Jones Mollinary

Angela Marie Jones Mollinary, age 42, of Midland, Texas passed from this life and into her eternal peace and heavenly home on Wednesday, February 27, 2013.

Angela was born September 2, 1970 in Wichita Falls, Texas to Roy and Brenda Jones where she lived until age 7, when her family moved to Midland. She attended Sam Houston Elementary and Emerson Elementary schools. She also attended Goddard Junior High and Lee Freshman High School. Her family moved to Seminole, Texas where she graduated from Seminole High School in May of 1989. She also attended New Mexico Junior College. Angela then met Joe Mollinary and they were married August 17, 1991. She and Joe moved to San Antonio, Texas where they lived for 3 years before moving to Honey Grove, Texas. She was in training to become an EMT before they had their first child, Brandi. With this precious angel, she decided to become a stay at home Mom. They moved to El Paso, Texas where they had their second child Brittany in August of 1995. They moved to Midland in 1999, where they remained until Angela's untimely passing from Multiple Sclerosis.

Angela was preceded in death by her husband Joe, who died January 14, 2010. Also her maternal grandparents, Walter and Olga Buffaloe, her paternal grandparents, Roy and Ina Jones, two uncles Jackie Buffaloe and Bill Jones.

Left behind to cherish her memories are her two daughters, Brandi and Brittany Mollinary and her parents, Roy and Brenda Jones, all of Midland; one brother, Terry Jones and one sister, Kimberly Harris and husband Trey Harris of Seminole, TX; three nieces and two nephews, Tarrah, Tatum and Tucker Jones of Wichita Falls, TX, and Trevin and Kallie Harris of Seminole, TX; three uncles, Jimmy Buffaloe and wife Eva, Danny Buffaloe and wife Sheryl and Lonnie Jones; and one aunt, Nina Jones.

The family would like to thank her physicians, Dr. Vogel and Dr. Emery. Also the staff at Interim Hospice and Desert Gardens, whose professional and compassionate care made a difficult time a little easier.

Funeral services will be held at 9:00 am, Saturday, March 2, 2013 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel in Midland. She will be laid to rest at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Pallbearers will be Terry Jones, Tucker Jones, Trey Harris, Trevin Harris, Joseph Trantham, Cody Rich, and Buddy Jones.

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



Helen Ann Jacobs Cutrer

Helen Ann Jacobs Cutrer, 76, went to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2013. Helen died peacefully at home surrounded by her loving family.

Helen was born Sept. 20, 1936 in Shannon Hospital in San Angelo, Texas, while its lower floors were under water during the flood of 1936. She was the third daughter of rancher and livestock dealer Caton Hoblit Jacobs and Thelma Farrington Jacobs. Helen attended San Angelo High School and graduated from Grand Prairie High School in 1954. She attended Southern Methodist University for a short while and worked for KRLD in Dallas as well as the Statler Hilton.

She married William Newton Cutrer of Dallas in 1957 and the couple moved to El Dorado, Ark., where they lived until 1981. While raising a family of three children 10 years apart, Helen worked for Arkansas Power and Light and Guy Mangum Construction.

In 1981 Helen moved to West Texas where she split her time between her hometown of San Angelo and Crane, Texas, where she managed Jacobs Livestock Co. ranch at Castle Gap.

Helen was beloved by many friends and acquaintances and always went out of her way to help people. She was a friendly spirit with an outstanding sense of humor and remarkable memory.

Helen is survived by her children, Gary Cutrer, Karen Cutrer, and Jonathan and wife Tiffanie Cutrer, all of San Angelo; as well as her brother Buck Jacobs and sisters Doris Manning of Tow, Texas; Gracie Sanders and husband Dennis of San Angelo; Florence Knoch and husband Elmo of Harrison, Ark.; Jo Alice Scaletta and husband Don of Orlando, Fla.; Gloria Hale and husband Alvin of San Angelo; and Julia Jacobs of San Angelo. Preceding her in death were her husband William, parents Caton and Thelma and her beloved youngest brother, Jerrel Jacobs. She is adored by her granchildren Matthew and Ashley Cutrer, son and daughter of Gary; Sydney and Haleigh Cutrer and Thyme and Cole Phillips, children of Jonathan; and great granddaughter Julie Ann Cutrer, daughter of Ashley; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be all day Friday, March 1, 2013 with the family present from 6-7 p.m. at the funeral home. Graveside service is scheduled for 10a.m., Saturday, March 2, 2013 at Belvedere Memorial Park located at 3504 Arden Rd. in San Angelo. Services are under the direction of Shaffer Funeral Home/Sherwood Way.

In lieu of flowers please send donations to Hospice of San Angelo or pay it forward by helping others as Helen would.

Mozelle Vivian Luedecke

Mozelle Vivian Luedecke, 96, of Luling, and formerly of Midland, passed away Monday, Feb. 25, 2013, after a short illness.

She was born Nov. 24, 1916, in Eldorado, Schleicher County, Texas, to William J. Luedecke and Margaret nee Harrison Luedecke.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Bruce, Orville, Clinton and Woodrow Luedecke; and sisters, Ruby and Garnette Luedecke and Opal Strickland.

Survivors are nephews, John Luedecke of Eldorado, Orville Luedecke of Eden and Joseph Strickland of Tioga; and nieces, Rosa Calcote and Carol Baumann of Eldorado and Rosemarie Myers of Odessa.

Miss Luedecke was a graduate of Eldorado High School and attended the University of Texas in Austin and Barbazon School of Modeling in New York City.

She worked in fashion merchandising and Baylor University Medical Center Medical Records in Dallas.

Graveside services are at 2p.m. Saturday at Eldorado Cemetery in Eldorado. Honorary pall bearers will be grand nephews, Sam Luedecke of San Angelo, Jon Calcote of Eldorado, David Strickland and Danny Luedecke of Dallas and Eric Jason and Kevin Myers of Odessa.



Roy J. (Jim) Starrak

Roy J. (Jim) Starrak, age 84, of Coleman, died Wednesday, February 27, 2013 at Coleman County Medical Center. Funeral service will be held 2:00 p.m. Saturday, March 2, in Stevens Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in the Rough Creek Cemetery under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home.

Jim was born November 15, 1928 in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, Canada, a son of William Bonnar Starrak and Mabel Kettlewell Starrak. He grew up in Moose Jaw and attended school there. He attended Colorado College in Colorado Springs, Colorado on a hockey scholarship and earned a two year consensus All-American hockey player in 1949 and 1950. He was a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity. Jim became a naturalized American citizen in the 1970's.

Following college, he worked for oil companies as a geologist and lived in many places. He retired after 30 years from Getty Oil Company as Senior Vice President of Production. He lived in Midland for a number of years and moved to Coleman County in 2005.

On November 21, 2005 he married Jolene Meek Trolinder in Coleman, Texas. He was a member of Novice Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Jolene Starrak of Coleman; two sons and daughters-in-law, Jim Starrak and wife Mary of Pleasanton and Ward Starrak and wife Kenna of Victoria; one stepdaughter and husband, Debra and Wayne Christa of Novice; six grandchildren: Bonnie and Jayme Starrak, Dustin, Noah and Chad Starrak, Lela Christa.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two brothers.

Memorials may be made to the donor's charity of choice.

Visitation will be held on Friday from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at Stevens Funeral Home, 400 W. Pecan, Coleman, Texas 76834.

Please sign his on-line guestbook at www.livingmemorials.com

Death Notices

Bobby Joe Riggins

Bobby Joe Riggins, 52 of Midland passed away on Wednesday February 27th, 2013.

A Memorial service will be held on Saturday March 2, 2013 at 2:00pm at West Kentucky Baptist Church. There will be no graveside services. Services are entrusted to the direction of Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home.

He is survived by his loving family; daughter Lindsay Riggins; his brother Terry Ray Barbee, his four sisters Rita Owen, Barbara Scott, Teresa Barbee, Jackie Ruth Smith. He also leaves behind numerous nephews, nieces, and friends.

Fredrick Hodges

Fredrick Hodges, 78, of Monahans, passed away on Thursday, February 28, 2013.

Memorial services will be held at 2:00 pm, Saturday, March 2, 2013 at Grace Fellowship Church in Monahans. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Midland.

Survivors include wife, Sandra Hodges; daughter, Jill Steen; sons, Randy Hodges and Jimmy Hodges; 9 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren; sister, Myra Martin; brothers, Phillip Ballard and Sid Hodges; and stepsister, Marsha French.

Harold D. Bentley

Harold D. Bentley, 90, of Big Spring, passed away on Thursday, February 28, 2013.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 p.m., Saturday, March 2, 2013 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. The family will receive friends from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday, March 1, 2013, at the funeral home. Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Survivors include two sons, Dana D. Bentley both of Austin and Robert D. Bentley and wife, Cheryll of Los Angeles, CA.

Lucretia "Lou" Hill

Lucretia "Lou" Hill, 87, passed away on Wednesday, February 27, 2013.

The family will receive friends from 7:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Thursday at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 2:00 p.m. Friday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will be at Trinity Memorial Park.

She is survived by two daughters: Cathy Ontiveros and her husband Fabian, and Pattie Rose and her husband Larry; one sister: Mable Woodson; one granddaughter: Jennifer Bakley; four great grandchildren: Brittany Bakley, Tiffany Bakley, Taylor Bakley, and Autumn Bakley,; and several nieces and nephews.

Madora Haltom

Madora Haltom, 90, of Midland passed away on February 28, 2013.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

She leaves behind a son, Freddy Haltom; daughters, Sharon Freeman and Judy Hazeslip and five grandchildren.

Sapopa Salazar

Sapopa Salazar, 96, of Big Spring passed away Wednesday February 27, 2013.

Vigil services will be Friday at 7:00 p.m. at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be Saturday at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Trinity Catholic Church with burial at Mount Olive Cemetery. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

She is survived by eleven children; forty-one grandchildren; eighty-three great grandchildren and sixteen great great grandchildren.

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Doolittle Raider WWII vet Tom Griffin dies at 96

Associated Press

CINCINNATI — Maj. Thomas C. "Tom" Griffin, a B-25 bomber navigator in the audacious Doolittle's Raid attack on mainland Japan during World War II, has died.

His death at age 96 leaves four surviving Raiders.

Griffin died Tuesday in a veterans nursing home in northern Kentucky. He was among the 80 original volunteers for the daring April 18, 1942, mission. When they began training, they were told only it would be "extremely hazardous," coming in the aftermath of Japan's devastating attack on Pearl Harbor and a string of other Japanese military successes.

"We needed to hit back," Griffin said in an interview a year ago in his suburban Cincinnati home. The attack on Tokyo, with a risky launch of 16 land-based bombers at sea from an aircraft carrier, shocked the Japanese and was creditdd with providing a major lift to American morale.

The planes lacked fuel to reach safe bases after dropping their bombs.



AP file photo

Maj. Thomas Griffin poses for a photo inside his home in Cincinnati in 2011, next to a Time Magazine cover of Lt. Col. James Doolittle and a painting of one of the B-25B Mitchell bombers used in Doolittle's Raid on Japan in 1942. Griffin, a navigator on one of the planes used in the raid, died Tuesday in a VA nursing home at the age of 96.

Griffin parachuted over China after the attack, eluded Japanese capture, and returned to action in bombing runs from North Africa before being shot down in 1943 and spending nearly two years in a German prison camp.

Griffin died less than two months from what now will be the Raiders' final annual reunion, April 17-21 in Fort Walton Beach, in the Florida Panhandle where the Raiders trained for the attack.

"We kind of expected it, because he had gone downhill pretty quickly the last few weeks, but you can never really prepare yourself for when one of these guys goes," said Tom Casey, manager of the Doolittle Raiders Association.

Griffin took part in last year's 70th reunion at the National Museum of the U.S. Air Force near Dayton, which also included survivors and relatives of the USS Hornet carrier and Chinese villagers who helped the Raiders elude capture. Eight Raiders were captured, and three were executed. A fourth died in captivity. Villagers suspected of hiding the Americans also were executed.

"We had a lot of near-misses, when they (Japanese soldiers) raided places we had been the night before," recalled Griffin, who had parachuted into a tree without major injury. Three Raiders died off China after the raid.

Griffin had joked last year that he hoped to be one of the last two surviving Raiders who would share the final toast in a small gathering, which had been the plan for decades.

"It's going to be special," Griffin said before the Dayton reunion. "I can't help but think it's going to be our last one."

Instead, it will be Griffin's turn to be honored at the reunion; a goblet with his name engraved on it will be turned upside down. The private ceremony will include only Raiders, the Raiders' historian, Casey and two Air Force cadets, there will be a roll call of the names of all the Raiders. When Griffin's name is called, Lt. Col. Richard Cole, at age 97 the oldest survivor, will give a report on Griffin, Casey said.

At the end of the reading of names, the white-gloved cadets will pour cognac into the goblets of the survivors, and they will drink their special toast: "To those who have gone."

Besides Cole, a Dayton native who lives in Comfort, Texas, the other survivors are Lt. Col. Robert Hite, of Nashville, Tenn.; Lt. Col. Edward Saylor, of Puyallup, Wash.; and Master Sgt. David Thatcher, of Missoula, Mont.

Casey said Thursday that the Raiders have decided not to wait until there are two survivors to have the final toast. Instead, they plan to have a special gathering later this year to share what will be their final toast. He said because of the advancing ages of the remaining survivors, it was decided to allow all those still alive late this year to take part.

Of prayer and lawmakers: A look at the Texas Legislature's invocations



KEN HERMAN
Cox Newspapers

As of last week there had been 39 invocations this legislative session at the Texas Capitol, a gathering place for people of all religions, no religion and those somewhere in between. Thirty-seven of the invocations were offered by Christians. There's been one Jew and one Muslim (and the latter caused some tension).

Twenty-five of the House and Senate invocations mentioned or were offered in the name of Jesus Christ.

Depending on the beliefs of the beholder (including Jews like me), that last statistic means some of the prayers may not have been viewed as for folks of all religions (not to mention what it means for people of no religion).

More importantly, it also means those prayers tested legislative instructions requesting nonsectarian invocations. History tells us that before the session ends May 27 there'll be additional invocations offered by rabbis and perhaps other non-Christians. But the overwhelming majority will come from Christians, perhaps appropriately in a state and a Legislature in which Christianity prevails among people of faith.

Over the years, invocations that mention Christ have been a source of irritation among some non-Christian legislators. But, aware of the enmity that could be invited by complaining, the complaints often are not aired publicly.

In the House, invited clergy get a letter saying "the Texas tradition is for a prayer that is nonsectarian and that promotes civility and tolerance, a prayer that acts to bring persons together" and that avoids "political or partisan matters."

In the Senate, clergy are told the prayer "should be of a general nature, nonsectarian and nonpolitical. Due to the religious diversity of the Senate and of the general population of Texas, please be mindful of your terminology and respectful of other faiths."

I'll let you decide whether a prayer that mentions Christ is nonsectarian. The Webster's New World College Dictionary says nonsectarian means "Not sectarian, not confined to or affiliated with any specific religion."

House Speaker Joe Straus, R-San Antonio and one of the Legislature's four Jews, said the clergy offering the invocations are invited by individual members. He said this year's invocations have been "very thoughtful and I have felt, for the most part, they've been inclusive."

Straus said he does not feel excluded from the invocations that mention Jesus. And he said he has not "given a moment's thought" to whether such prayers are nonsectarian.

Rep. Donna Howard, D-Austin and a Unitarian Universalist (a denomination that does not require belief in a supreme being) said prayers that mention Jesus are not nonsectarian. She favors a moment of silence instead of an invocation.

"I think people can pray in whatever way they want to," she said. "I think it would be nice whenever you're in a place where you're representing everyone that you be more inclusive and if you want to reference you're own particular tradition then to perhaps allude to the fact that you are recognizing your own particular tradition and there others that are out there."

"I'm a proponent of separation of church and state," Howard said, "and I don't know that we need to have invocations before governmental meetings, but I am here to work on other things so that hasn't been my primary focus."

I asked my rabbi, Neil Blumofe of Congregation Agudas Achim, if a prayer that mentions Jesus can be nonsectarian. "In a pluralistic society, the short answer is no, I do not," he said.

Blumofe, who has twice given legislative invocations, said he understands that for some Christians a prayer must mention Jesus. And Blumofe believes it's far better to have invocations, even if "imperfect," than to do away with them.

"I think it creates a better bond among neighbors to be able to do that and create more opportunities for getting to know who we all are," he said.

After his Feb. 14 House invocation, I asked Kevin Withem of Austin's Westover Hills Church of Christ, who offered his prayer "in the name of Jesus Christ," if he believes such a prayer is nonsectarian.

"I do because I'm the one leading the prayer and as a minister of the gospel of Christ I'm ordained in scripture to pray through the name of Jesus," he said. "But I believe I can pray for others through his name."

Fair enough, but I find myself appreciative of invocations such as the one delivered Jan. 29 by Michael A. Evans Sr., pastor of Mansfield's Bethlehem Baptist Church, in the House. Evans broadened his prayer by offering it "in the name of the one who I call my Christ — others call you their creator; others call you their counselor, helper and sovereign one."

Less well-played, I thought, was the Feb. 11 House invocation from Don Garner, pastor of the Capitol Commission. "Father," he prayed, "grant each one in this chamber today, and their family members, a lively faith in the Lord Jesus Christ."

Well-intentioned though it was, I felt it was not proper for a pastor, in a governmental setting, to pray that everyone in the chamber find a "lively faith in the Lord Jesus Christ."

The Capitol Commission's website says its purpose is to "strive to initiate a movement for Christ in the political arena in Texas" and mentions the need "to win the lost to Christ through the timeless truth of the gospel." The effort includes weekly Bible study sessions at the Capitol for legislators.

Interestingly, the invocation text in the House and Senate journals (taken from what's submitted by those offering the prayers) sometimes differs from what's actually said. The Senate Journal says Waxahachie Baptist Church's Bruce Zimmerman's Feb. 5 prayer included a call for senators to act "decisively and effectively without fear, putting the good of citizens above personal gain, re-electability or pressure from special interest groups."

Zimmerman, however, left out the part about putting the citizens' good above "re-electability or pressure from special interest groups." Some things, perhaps, can be too much to pray for.

So far, the only non-Christians offering invocations were Rabbi Eliezer Langer of Austin's Tiferet Israel, in the Senate on Feb. 18, and Islam Mossaad of the North Austin Muslim Community Center. Aware of concerns and ignorance about Muslims, Rep. Armando Walle, D-Houston, noted in his Jan. 31 introduction that Mossaad "was born and raised in the United States."

After an Islamic chant, Mossaad began with a broad appeal to "creator of Adam, rescuer of Noah, one God of Abraham, oh most holy who spoke to Moses from the burning bush, oh most compassionate who blew into Mary mother of Jesus from your blessed spirit, and oh infinitely wise who chose Mohammed as your last messenger to be a herald of mercy to all of the nations and worlds."

That day's most divisive note came later when Rep. Lon Burnam, D-Fort Worth, offered a resolution honoring Texas Muslim Capital Day. Routinely, sponsors of such resolutions ask for and get permission to add all members' names as co-authors. In a nod to the divisiveness attracted by anything Muslim, Burnam skipped that motion.

"I want to respect your individual rights on that regard. But I want to invite all of you to come to the clerk's room and sign this resolution," Burnam, who already had four co-authors, told colleagues. Nineteen of the 150 House members signed — 17 Democrats and two Republicans.

The resolution was approved on a voice vote. Rep. Sarah Davis, R-West University Place, was the only House member to formally register a "no" vote.

"I had just attended the (the American Israel Public Affairs Committee) brunch on Sunday and I just felt that it wasn't the right time to have a Muslim day," Davis told me. "We don't have any other types of days like that in the House."

In addition to testing the rules about nonsectarian prayers, some invocations stray into politics. On Jan. 8 in the House, the session's opening day, Bishop Michael Mulvey of the Catholic Diocese of Corpus Christi said, "During this session we ask that human life be respected from the moment of conception in the mother's womb."

In the Senate on Feb. 11, Father John Calgaro of Austin's Cristo Rey Catholic Church prayed for lawmakers to "see and appreciate the dignity of every citizen and resident of this state ... (including) those little ones who are waiting to be born in their mother's womb.".

It's interesting to note that the Hawaii Senate, facing possible litigation, last year did away with its daily invocation. That came despite a 1983 U.S. Supreme Court ruling, in a Nebraska case, that said daily legislative prayers by a state-paid chaplain were OK. Chief Justice Warren Burger, writing for the 6-3 majority, said such prayers are "deeply embedded in the history and tradition of this country."

"To invoke Divine guidance on a public body entrusted with making the laws is not, in these circumstances, an 'establishment' of religion or a step toward establishment; it is simply a tolerable acknowledgment of beliefs widely held among the people of this country," Burger wrote.

A dissent written by William Brennan and joined by Thurgood Marshall said "official invocational prayer, as it exists in Nebraska and most other state legislatures, is unconstitutional ... (and) excessive 'entanglement' between the State and religion."

"In the case of legislative prayer," he wrote, "the process of choosing a 'suitable' chaplain, whether on a permanent or rotating basis, and ensuring that the chaplain limits himself or herself to 'suitable' prayers, involves precisely the sort of supervision that agencies of government should if at all possible avoid."

WEEK AHEAD

Arts & Entertainment opportunities for March 1-7

TODAY

Film screening

The movie "Doonby" will be shown free of charge at the Choose Life Midland building, 2500 W. Ohio Ave., at 7:30 p.m. today. For more information, visit www.doonby.com.

SATURDAY

Retreat

St. Stephen's Women's Organization is hosting a Joyce Rupp day retreat 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Saturday at St. Stephen's Catholic Church, 4601 Neely Ave. The theme is "The Gift of Self-Compassion: Being Kind to Ourselves." Cost is $10 and pre-registration is required. For more information, call 520-7394.

SUNDAY

Concert

Calvary Assembly of God, 908 South Johnston St., will host the Blackwood Brothers Quartet at 6 p.m. Sunday. For more information, visit www.blackwoodbrothers.com.

Easter sermon series

Northwestern Baptist Church will begin an Easter Sermon Series at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, continuing through March. The series will begin with the prophecies of the promised savior in the Old Testament and end with the resurrection message on Easter morning. Sermons will be presented by Lucian Rudd, pastor and author of "A Joy to Shout About."

TUESDAY

Women's luncheon

Midland/Odessa Christian Women's Connection will host a "Musical Luncheon" 11:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Tuesday, in the Koinonia Room of First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave. Cost is $12, which includes a buffet and program. Carla Johnson of Lubbock will present "Life's a Symphony," about God's intervention when her husband died in Vietnam leaving her with two small children. Reservations may be made by calling 520-4502 or emailing jehillredbird@aol.com. All women are invited to attend.

WEDNESDAY

Concert series

First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave., will host Trinity School Intermediate Choir with director Kathy Pysh and Jazz Band with director Michael Santorelli at noon Wednesday during its Lenten Lunch Concert Series. Admission is free and lunch is available for $7 before and after each performance. Upcoming concerts include pianists Shari Santorelli and LuAnn Lane.

Lenten services

Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 5110 N. Garfield St., will offer weekly Lenten services with a meal at 6 p.m. Wednesday through March 20.

Lenten study

The Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, 1412 W. Illinois Ave., will offer a soup and salad supper at 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays during Lent.

THURSDAY

Bible study

First Baptist Church, 2104 W. Louisiana Ave., will offer a Precept Upon Precept study of the book of Daniel at 9:15 a.m. Thursday in Room 118. Gail Storrie will lead the class and Kay Arthur will provide lectures. Workbooks are available now. Cost is $20. For more information, call 682-2447 or email storrie@grandecom.net.

CHURCH

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Church members also will be delivering clothes and items to local nursing homes and bagging up lunches for local students who MISD has identified as in need of extra food for the weekend.

"We're very varied on what we're doing," Whitlow said.

"This is something we feel like as a church that the Scriptures command us to do collectively, to be the church, not just inside the church walls, but also outside in the community."

The church held its first "Be the Church" campaign last fall before school started and went to the local elementary schools to help prepare the classrooms for students. Staff anticipate having another fall project day this year as well.

Crestview staff allowed volunteers to begin signing up last Sunday and sign-ups will continue through the March 23 project date or as space requires. There were 60 individuals signed up during the first week, but staff expect those numbers to increase as the campaign continues.

They've almost doubled the number of sites and projects they've taken on this month compared to eight projects last year. Whitlow said church members come to the staff about community and area programs they know of that are in need of service.

There were 167 individuals involved in the fall projects, and church staff are expecting at least 225 to participate this month.

Crestview pastors also will be emphasizing the importance of service this month and talking to church members about the importance of being involved in a service project or ministry.

"This is just a day set aside that we serve collectively as a church. Families are signing up as a family to go paint and serve, but this is an initiative for the entire church and not specifically geared to one age demographic," Whitlow said.

To get involved or for more information, contact Crestview Baptist Church at 681-8200.



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Nuns wait for Pope Benedict XVI to greet the crowd at the Pope's summer residence of Castel Gandolfo, the scenic town where he will spend his first post-Vatican days and make his last public blessing as pope, Thursday.

POPE

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the Swiss Guards in their yellow-and-blue striped uniforms handed over responsibility of protecting the 85-year-old Benedict to Vatican police as some of the faithful outside shouted "Viva il papa!" — Long live the pope!

The pope's journey into retirement began with an emotional send-off from the Vatican, with Swiss Guards in full regalia and prelates kneeling to kiss Benedict's papal ring one last time. Benedict's closest aide wept by his side as they took their final walk down the marbled halls of the Apostolic Palace.

As bells tolled in St. Peter's and in church towers across Rome, Benedict flew by helicopter to the papal vacation retreat in Castel Gandolfo in the hills south of Rome, where he will spend the first two months of his retirement.

Benedict leaves behind a church in crisis, still coping with the fallout of the sex abuse scandals, a central Vatican administration torn by divisions, and what Benedict said was a crisis of faith, with baptized Catholics in places of ancient Christian tradition thinking they can do without God.

In his final public remarks as pope, Benedict pledged to continue working for the good of the church in his retirement. Arms raised, he told a packed piazza from the palace balcony that as of his retirement, "I am simply a pilgrim beginning the last leg of his pilgrimage on this Earth."

Benedict also reached out to the wider world electronically, sending a final tweet from his Twitter account, (at)Pontifex: "Thank you for your love and support. May you always experience the joy that comes from putting Christ at the centre of your lives."

The day began with Benedict's final audience with his cardinals, where he pledged his "unconditional reverence and obedience" to his successor, a poignant and powerful message that was utterly unexpected.

Inside the Vatican's frescoed Clementine Hall, the pope appeared to be trying to defuse concerns about his future role and the possible conflicts arising from the peculiar situation of having both a reigning pope and a retired one.

Benedict also gave a final set of instructions to the "princes" of the church who will elect his successor, urging them to be united as they huddle to choose the 266th leader of the world's 1.2 billion Catholics.

"May the College of Cardinals work like an orchestra, where diversity — an expression of the universal church — always works toward a higher and harmonious agreement," he said.

It was seen as a clear reference to the deep internal divisions that have come to the fore in recent months following the leaks of sensitive Vatican documents that exposed power struggles and allegations of corruption inside the Vatican.

The audience inside the Apostolic Palace was as unique as Benedict's decision to quit, with the pope, wearing his crimson velvet cape and using a cane, bidding farewell to his closest advisers and the cardinals themselves bowing to kiss his fisherman's ring for the last time.

Some seemed to choke up at that moment, and a few lingered on to chat with the pope for as long as they could. But the scene seemed otherwise almost normal, with cardinals chatting on the sidelines waiting their turn to say goodbye.

Benedict said he would pray for the cardinals in coming days as they discuss the issues facing the church, the qualities needed in a new pope, and as they prepare to enter into the secret conclave to elect him.

Benedict's decision to live at the Vatican in retirement, be called "emeritus pope" and "Your Holiness" and wear the white cassock associated with the papacy has deepened concerns about the shadow he might cast over the next papacy.

But Benedict has tried to address those worries over the past two weeks, saying that once retired he would be "hidden from the world" and living a life of prayer.

In his final speech in St. Peter's Square on Wednesday, he said he wasn't returning to private life exactly, but rather to a new form of service to the church through prayer.

And on Thursday he went even further, when he told the cardinals, "Among you is also the future pope, whom I today promise my unconditional reverence and obedience."

The Vatican spokesman, the Rev. Federico Lombardi, said the pope's pledge was in keeping with this effort to "explain how he intends to live this unprecedented situation of an emeritus pope."

"He has no intention of interfering in the position or the decisions or the activity of his successor," Lombardi said. "But as every member of the church, he says fully that he recognizes the authority of the supreme pastor of the church who will be elected to succeed him."

The issue of papal obedience is important for Benedict. In his last legal document, he made new provisions for cardinals to make a formal, public pledge of obedience to the new pope at his installation Mass, in addition to the private one they traditionally make inside the Sistine Chapel immediately after he is elected.

On Monday, the cardinals are expected to begin meeting to set the date for the conclave.

Benedict's decision to retire has been met for the most part with praise and understanding. Cardinals, Vatican officials and ordinary Catholics have rallied around him in acknowledgment of his frail state and the church's need for a strong leader.

But Sydney Cardinal George Pell has caused a stir by openly saying the resignation has been "slightly destabilizing" for the church.

In an interview with Australian Broadcasting Corp., Pell noted that Benedict himself had acknowledged the shift in tradition; Benedict said Wednesday that he appreciated his decision was not only serious but "a novelty" for the church.

Pell also said the church was in sore need of a strong manager — comments echoed by several cardinals who have noted the 30-year reign of two popes who paid scant attention to the internal governance of the church.

The Vatican tried to downplay Pell's comments, saying it wouldn't respond to individual cardinals and urging the media not to take advantage of churchmen who, it said, aren't necessarily media savvy.

Winfield reported from Vatican City.

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Papal vehicle on display in America's Car Museum

By Jack Broom
The Seattle Times

SEATTLE — What's black and white and silver and has a trunk the size of your college dorm room?

Here's a hint: It was used by a Roman Catholic pope and by a bevy of American astronauts, including Neil Armstrong, the first man on the moon.

The answer is 21 feet long and sitting in a Tacoma, Wash., museum, where it will spend at least the next couple of months.

Shiny black with gleaming white sidewalls and chrome trim, the "Papal Continental" is an elongated 1964 Lincoln Continental customized for Pope Paul VI's 1965 visit to New York City — the first time a reigning pope ever came to the United States.

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In later years, it was used by the city of Chicago to carry dignitaries in parades.

The vehicle is on loan to the LeMay — America's Car Museum, which opened in June across the street from the Tacoma Dome.

Museum officials say the limo's owner is a Seattle-area car collector who prefers to go unnamed but who has loaned other vehicles to the museum. Published accounts indicate he purchased the papal limo at auction in 2011 for $220,000.

By today's standards, any '64 Continental would seem huge. But this one was supersized by the Chicago design firm Lehmann-Peterson, which specialized in stretch limousines.

The car was given an extra 34 inches of midsection, which boosted its passenger space and lengthened its wheelbase to160 inches — 55 inches longer than that of today's Honda Civic.

In order to let the pontiff stand up and view the waving throngs, the limo's roof was made removable, and a bullet-resistant upper windshield was added, along with a similar panel behind the passengers.

A special seat could be cranked up to give the pope a better view, along with extra lighting, a PA system and external step plates and hand rails for the Swiss Guards protecting the pope.

Security would have been on the minds of those planning the pope's 14-hour U.S. visit two years after President Kennedy was fatally shot in Dallas, also in an open-top Continental.

It would be 16 more years before another pontiff, Pope John Paul II, was shot and seriously wounded while riding in an open Fiat Campagnola in St. Peter's Square. Subsequent "popemobiles" have featured bulletproof windows, although they are sometimes left open, at the pontiff's direction.

The papal limo in Tacoma sports four small flags along the hood, including those of the U.S. and the Vatican, and special tube lighting to illuminate them.

Three years after Pope Paul VI's U.S. visit, the Vatican requested to have the car sent to South America for the pope's visit to Bogota, Colombia. Because of the city's 8,600-foot altitude, the limo's engine needed major modifications allowing it to run on aviation fuel.

After the papal visit, the car was on loan for years to the city of Chicago, as a parade car. It carried a variety of dignitaries, including astronauts from four Apollo missions.

It has changed hands several times since then, including spending 16 years as part of a French collection of state vehicles.

It was moved into LeMay — America's Car Museum — about a week ago.

The museum is the realization of a dream by the late refuse-collection magnate Harold E. LeMay, a longtime car collector who died in 2000. His widow, Nancy LeMay, sits on the museum's board.

David Madeira, museum president and CEO, said the institution "is at the center of our country's love for everything auto."

"From transporting Apollo astronauts to carrying the pope, this car has carved a special place in American history," he said.

The museum now has more than 300 vehicles on display.

Irreconcilable differences between laity and church



O. RICARDO PIMENTEL
San Antonio Express-News

Culturally, I'm Catholic. This says more than that I share a culture with many who are Catholic.

It says that I grew up in the church, learned to the best of my ability its catechism and practiced as my mother and developing conscience would have me practice.

Sometimes this was religious practice by rote and ritual. Sometimes it involved a lot of church; other times little to none. But with the knowledge that, even when I wasn't attending Mass or taking communion, I held beliefs whose roots were indisputably Catholic. And proud of it.

It's been an off-and-on relationship through the years, deliberately off for awhile now. But culturally and familially, my touchstones — and even in disagreement, my conscience — have Catholic written all over them.

This is prelude to demonstrate some modicum of bona fides. Let's discuss the next pope.

As a fallen Catholic, some will say I have no say in the matter, but the sad truth is that even the devoted have no say here.

More the pity. This disconnect with both the devoted and the "fallen" is part of the problem, many of these latter leaving the church only after it left them.

I'm thinking of homosexuals, divorced folks, people who would rather have babies on their terms and timing, not the church's, folks who believe that the church shouldn't intrude between a woman and her doctor and who believe that women and married men can serve as priests as faithfully as single men — without violating Scripture.

Many haven't embraced other faiths because, in their heads, they're still Catholic, even as they insist they aren't. No? Giving something up for Lent?

Right; as Pope Benedict XVI once said, this isn't a democracy. OK, but an inability to connect with regular folks has been the downfall of many a my-way-or-the-highway autocracy.

I'm thinking of the priest who told me I wouldn't be given communion at my daughter's baptismal because I was divorced. Yet, the church re-enlisted me when my wife joined the faith.

How the church treats you shouldn't depend on nice priest, mean priest — how a lot of couples, in truth, pick their wedding pastor. The laity, the church must know, prefers a bit of flexibility and savvy grounded in the real world.

I'm thinking of the time, meeting with a favorite Jesuit teacher of a friend for a quiet drink, and sitting dumbfounded as he went on a screed about the persecution of priests ensnared in the child-abuse scandal, as if they were the victims.

Years after, I read how, as archbishop, Cardinal Roger Mahony in Los Angeles helped abusing priests evade the law. He will now help elect a pope; no better example of the church's disconnect with the world.

These are the sins of men, not the church, I'm told. And, I think, this is a distinction without a difference because men run the church — too often as if the institution and its men, not the faithful and their children, were the most important part.

Benedict has appointed about half of the cardinals. So, the chances of them choosing a welcoming, 21st Century (beyond tweeting) pope are slim to none. But, as a cultural Catholic with much respect for priests, nuns and lay folks who walk Jesus' talk on the poor and social justice, I harbor hope.

Look, I'm not saying that a more open pope will get people like me back. It just doesn't help knowing you've been written off. Benedict reconciled himself to a smaller but more conservative church.

This will surely be prophesy if the church continues to wield so selectively its most useful tool. Reconciliation.

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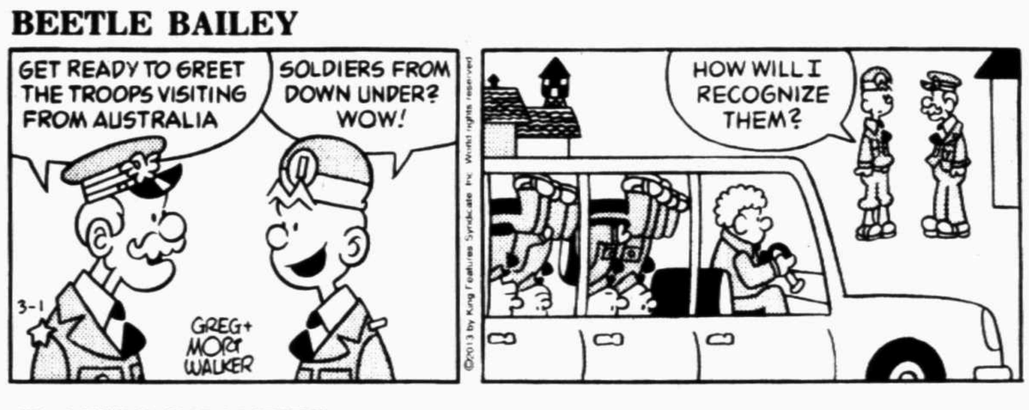
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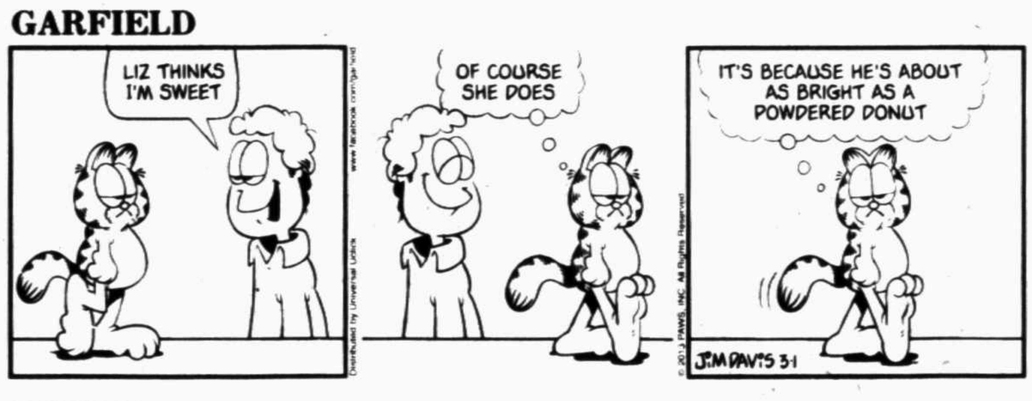
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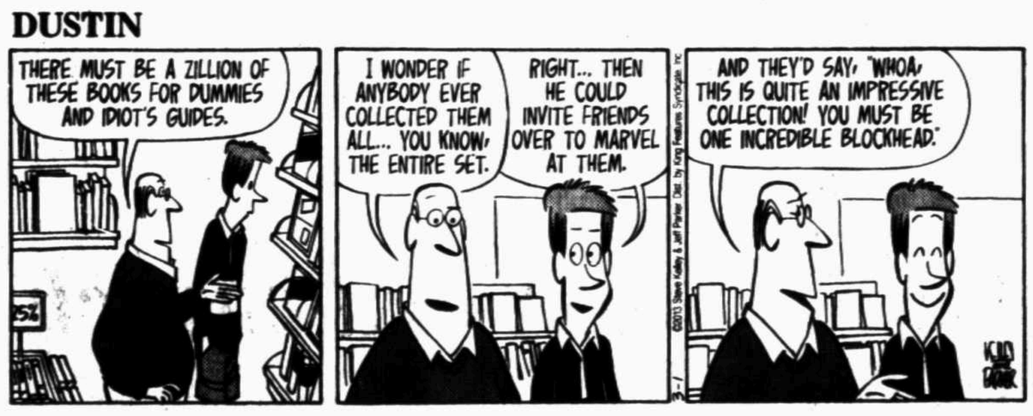
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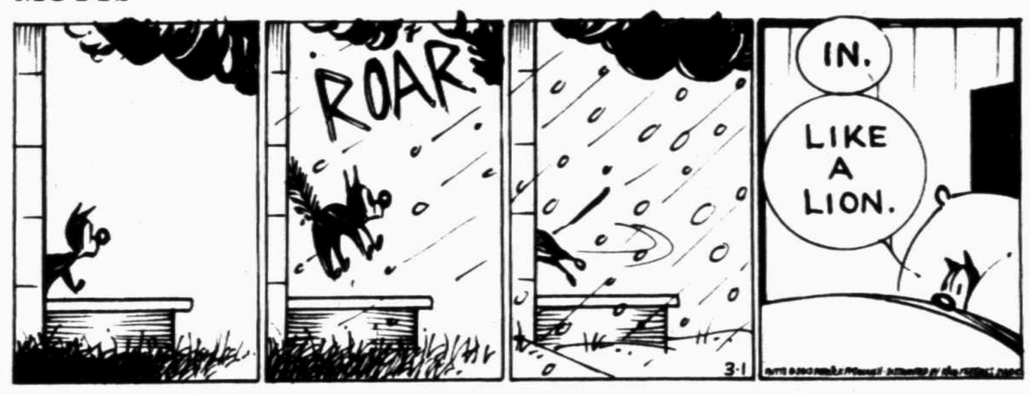
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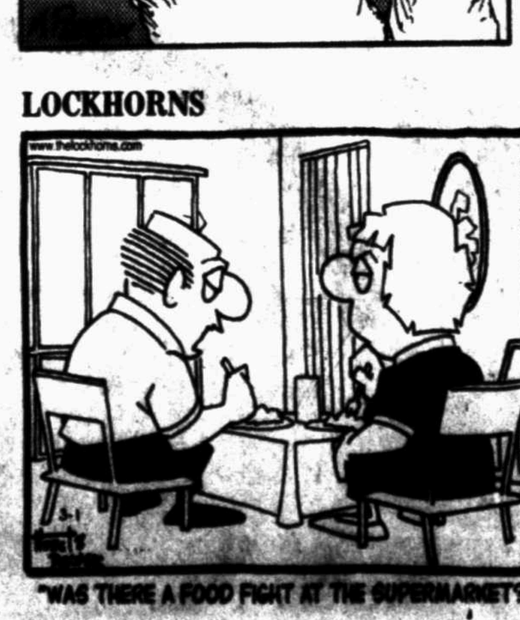
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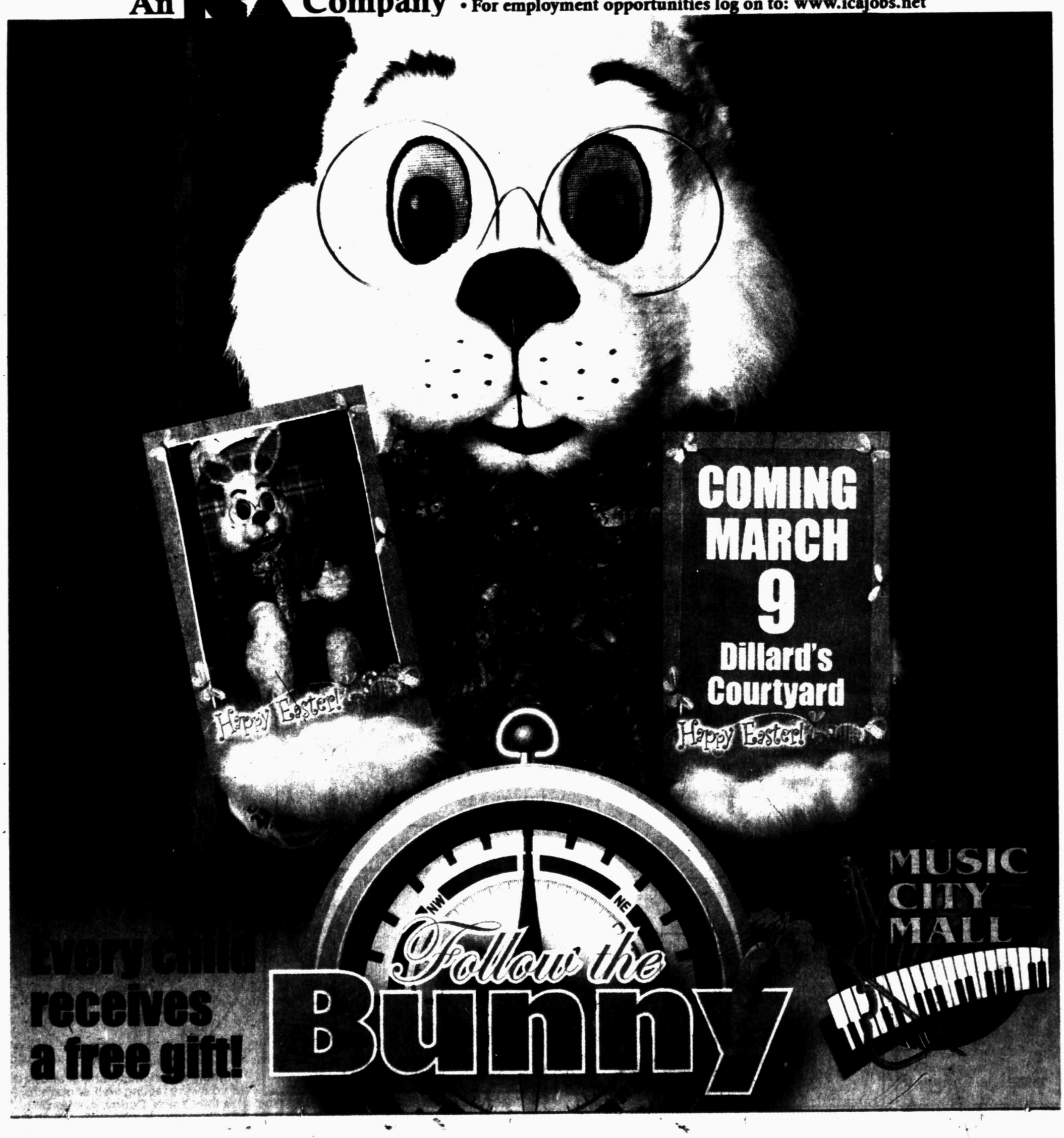
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Lee, MHS have different experiences in TOC's 1st day

By Len Hayward
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Midland High had an almost stress-free day on Thursday, winning its lone game in the Tournament of Champions by nine runs.

It was almost a complete opposite day for Lee.

The Rebels played a pair of nail-biters during the first day of the Tournament of Champions , falling to Lubbock Estacado 4-3 in eight innings and then coming back to beat El Paso Hanks 7-3 later Thursday night.

Meanwhile, Midland High cruised through its lone game on Thursday, beating Lubbock High 11-2 at Zachery Field as the Bulldogs posted runs in all but one inning, and Jeremy Hallmark scattered six hits over 5 2/3 innings giving up two runs.

For both teams, though, it was one more chance to figure some things out in a non-district setting in between district contests.

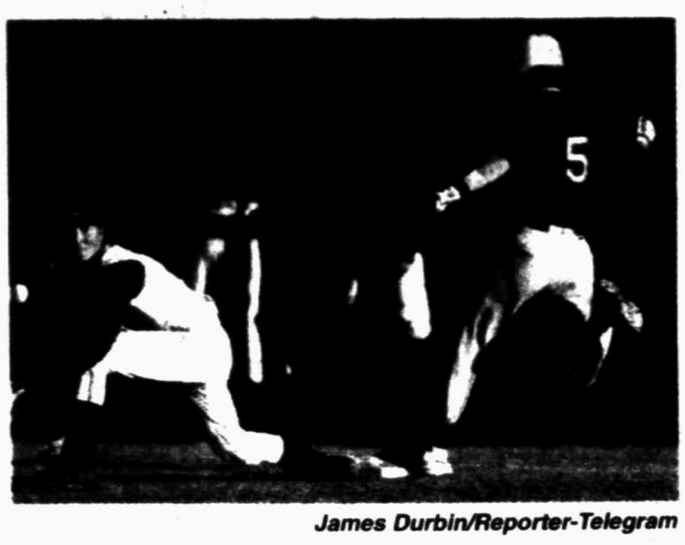
"We are getting just what we need right here, and as long as we keep playing the game the right way, keep improving and keep making that effort to do the things that we are trying to teach them, we'll get better," Lee coach Brian Roper said. "It's a process, I understand that and they understand that."

The Bulldogs didn't waste much time jumping on Lubbock High after the Westerners scored a run in the first inning on Thursday at Zachery Field. The Bulldogs answered with two to take the lead, but also left the bases loaded.

Midland High added three runs in the second, two more in the third, two in the fifth and had a chance to close out the game in the fifth with the run-rule. The Bulldogs, though, left the bases loaded again after scoring two runs.

"I was worried about a couple of things, one about us being flat after the district game on Tuesday," Midland High coach Barry Russell said. "And two we played those guys last year, and coach Steve Ribera has done a good job with those guys, and I was battling overconfidence with our guys on that. They beat Tascosa earlier in the day and I think that helped, at least helping them focus."

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James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Brent Stewart beats a throw to Lubbock High first baseman Daniel James during the Tournament of Champions on Thursday at Zachary Field.

'We're reunited'

Hansard's return sparks Rangers' return to I-3A tourney

By Jordan Mason
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When Kyle Hansard stood up from where he'd been anxiously kneeling in front of the scorer's table with 1:20 to play in the third quarter Tuesday, Greenwood junior Grant Franklin noticed his backcourt mate joining him on the floor for the first time in five weeks and shot a look to fellow guard Taylor Hollingsworth.



Franklin



Hollingsworth

"We kind of looked at each other and had a big grin on our face," Hollingsworth said.

"I was like, 'Oh yeah, here we go,'" Franklin said. "'(We're) reunited.'"

Until Monday, Hansard assumed he had played his last game as a Ranger due to a hairline fracture in his left wrist suffered

Please see **HANSARD**/4C

The Games

CLASS 3A REGIONAL SEMIFINALS
GREENWOOD
VS. NO. 8 WICHITA FALLS HIRSCHI

When: 8:30 p.m. today
Where: United Spirit Arena, Lubbock



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Greenwood's Kyle Hansard looks for an open teammate to pass to during a Jan. 15 game against Abilene Wylie at Greenwood High School.

Idalou once again favorite in I-2A tourney

By Jonathan Hull
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It was just a few years ago when Idalou was considered an upstart team making a rare appearance in the regional tournament. Three years later, the Wildcats have become a mainstay attraction both in Midland and Austin.

The Idalou boys basketball team is making its fourth consecutive appearance at the Region I-2A Tournament, and are hoping to continue its recent run of success at Chaparral Center. So far, the Wildcats are batting 1.000 at the regional tournament, having won the last three regional titles to advance to the state tournament in Austin.

The No. 4 Wildcats' bid for a fourth straight I-2A championship begins at 7:30 p.m. today when they take on No. 8 Jim Ned in the semifinals. The winner of that game moves to play either Bushland or No. 7 Holliday, which play at 6 p.m. today, in the regional final at 1 p.m. Saturday.

And while no one is being discounted in this year's I-2A field, there's no argument about who is the favorite.

"(Idalou has) got to be the favorite until someone knocks them off," Holiday coach Kyle Tucker said. "They've had a good run of basketball players and have just competed well. They've always made the plays in the playoffs."

No team has had a better seat for Idalou's run of regional titles than Jim Ned. The Indians lost to Idalou in the I-2A championship games in 2010 and 2012. In 2010, Jim Ned was probably the favorite coming into the tournament with Idalou being the only team in the field of four that wasn't a district champion.

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The Games

REGION I-2A TOURNAMENT
GAME 1: BUSHLAND VS. HOLLIDAY
GAME 2: IDALOU VS. JIM NED

When: Game 1, 6 p.m. today; Game 2, 7:30 p.m. today
Where: Chaparral Center

MHS, Lee get early look at 2-5A competition

By Jonathan Hull
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It's never too early to get an idea of what your competition is bringing to the table.

The Midland High and Lee track teams get an opportunity to gauge how they stand in District 2-5A when they take part in the Rogers Ford Lincoln Tall City Invitational at Memorial Stadium this weekend. The meet is set to begin at 1 p.m. today with six field events, while running events start at 4 p.m. Saturday's action gets underway at 10 a.m. with the remaining field events, and the running finals get underway at 1:30 p.m.

The Event

ROGERS FORD LINCOLN TALL CITY INVITATIONAL TRACK MEET

When: Today and Saturday
Where: Memorial Stadium

The meet features three divisions for a second consecutive year with Division I being made up entirely of District 2-5A schools. Midland High and Lee are joined by Odessa High, Odessa Permian, San Angelo Central and district newcomer Lubbock Coronado. The only 2-5A squads missing are Abilene High, Abilene Cooper and Amarillo Tascosa.

The field is basically what is expected when competing in West Texas.

"Out here in West Texas you're going to see these same teams over and over anyway," Midland High boys coach Jeff Streun said. "It's got its positives and negatives. We get to see how each kid improves against the district competition each week, but you do get tired of seeing the same people every week, too."

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Chaps miss Region V Tournament again

From staff reports

Thunderbirds	**53**
Chaparrals	48

HOBBS, N.M. — The Midland College men's basketball team will miss out on the Region V Tournament for the second year in a row after a 53-48 loss to No. 21 New Mexico Junior College in the regular season finale on Thursday night at Caster Activity Center.

The Chaparrals (19-8, 10-6 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference) cut it to 49-46 with less than a minute to go in the game but couldn't get a big shot to fall to cut it any closer and were forced to foul the rest of the way.

"We just didn't shoot

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Lady Chaps share WJCAC crown after loss to NMJC

Associated Press

HOBBS, N.M. — The Midland College women's basketball team will have to share the Western Junior College Athletic Conference title with two other teams this year.

The No. 14-ranked Lady Chaparrals, shot at an outright title was dashed on Thursday with a 79-71 loss to New Mexico Junior College at Casfer Activity Center. With that result and South Plains defeating Clarendon College (83-71) in overtime, Midland College, NMJC and South Plains each finish with 11-3 records in the WJCAC and will share the crown.

South Plains goes into next week's Region V Tournament in Lubbock as the No. 1 seed by virtue of power points, while Midland College and NMJC will have a coin flip to determind the second and third seeds.

Midland College (23-7 overall) led 49-46 at the half but then struggled from the floor in the second half, allowing the Lady T-birds to take a lead by as much as 13.

MC shot just 25 percent in the second half and 38 percent for the game. The Lady Chaps struggled even more from 3-point range, hitting only 7 of 25 shot attempts in the game.

NMJC seemed to do a good job of defending MC's forwards as Achri Ade, Catherine Kruschke and Diamalieses Rivera were held to 18 points combined. That was a complete reversal of the first meeting — a 78-54 victory by MC on Jan. 31 — when the Lady Chaps did a good job of defending NMJC's post players.

MC had three players score in double figures, led by Daniechka Canales, who had 15 points before fouling out. Tia Dixon had 14 and Meghan Braeuer added 10. Ade finished with 11 rebounds to go with her nine points.

NMJC, which shot 43 percent for the game, had four players score in double figures. T'Keya Mason had 14 points, Stacie Telles 13, Jashae Lee 12 and Tanya Simpson had 10.

NEW MEXICO JC 79, NO. 14 MIDLAND COLLEGE 71

Midland College (23-7, 11-3) — Gabriela Martinez 1-4 1-2 4; Meghan Braeuer 4-12 0-0 10; Diannetta Jackson 1-2 0-0 3; Daniechka Canales 7-11 1-1 15; Chanelle DiCroce 3-4 1-1 7; Tia Dixon 4-11 3-4 14; Catherine Kruschke 2-5 0-0 4; Sabrina Ochoa 0-1 0-0 0; Achri Ade 3-15 3-6 9; Diamalieses Rivera 2-6 1-1 5. Totals 27-71 10-15 71

New Mexico JC (22-5, 11-3) — Monique Mulder 0-2 0-0 0; Ashley Quintino 1-2 0-0 2; Brianna Jones 2-4 2-2 6; Stacie Telles 4-15 3-5 13; T'Keya Mason 4-12 5-6 14; Valerie Barriga 3-7 2-2 9; Jashae Lee 4-7 1-2 12; Tanya Simpson 5-6 0-0 10; Jolainna Ford 2-5 2-2 6; Taylor Caspers 3-5 0-0 7. Totals 28-65 15-19 79

Halftime — MC 49, NMJC 46. 3-point goals — MC 7 (Dixon 3, Braeuer 2, Martinez, Jackson); NMJC 6 (Lee 3, Telles 2, Mason, Barriga, Caspers). Total fouls — MC 16, NMJC 18. Fouled out — Canales, Simpson. Technical fouls — Canales, Telles. Rebounds — MC 44 (Ade, Braeuer 11), NMJC 45 (Lee 8). Assists — MC 16 (Braeuer 6), NMJC 20 (Telles 8). Turnovers — MC 12, NMJC 10

Next: Midland College vs. TBA at Region V Tournament, Wednesday, March 6, Lubbock. New Mexico JC vs. TBA at Region V Tournament, Wednesday, March 6, Lubbock

Men's WJCAC Standings

Team	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
xy-South Plains	11	3	24	5
xy-New Mexico JC	11	3	22	7
x-Midland College	11	3	23	7
x-Odessa College	10	4	20	7
Howard College	7	7	19	11
Clarendon	2	12	12	18
Frank Phillips	2	12	9	21
Western Texas	2	12	9	21

x-clinched Region V Tournament berth
y-clinched share of WJCAC title

Thursday's Games

New Mexico JC 79, Midland College 71; Howard College 55, Frank Phillips 38; South Plains 83, Clarendon College 71, OT; Odessa College and Western Texas were open
End of regular season

Chaps

From 1C

the ball very well, and we turned it over too many times in the game," MC coach Chris Craig. "This was a really special team I got to coach. This was an incredible group of guys. We had some things go against us this season but we still had enough. I'm just sad for the guys and I wish I could have done a better job for them tonight."

New Mexico JC (24-6, 12-4) led 26-22 at the half and by as much as 11 points in the second half.

MC missing out on the postseason marks the first time since 1998 that the Chaps have failed to qualify for regionals in back-to-back seasons.

NMJC qualifies for next week's Region V Tournament in Lubbock for the second consecutive year and finishes in a tie for second place in the WJCAC with Odessa College. Howard College won the league title.

Neither team shot the ball particularly well in this game. MC shot just 34.6 percent for the game and was 2 of 17 from 3-point range. Meanwhile, NMJC shot 32 percent for the game and was 5 of 19 from beyond the arc.

The Chaps were led by Aly Ahmed and Justin Coleman with 12 points each.

Dekabrien Eldridge had a game-high 17 points and Robert Turner added 11 for the Thunderbirds.

NO. 21 NEW MEXICO JC 53, MIDLAND COLLEGE 48

Midland College (19-8, 10-6) — Colan Weasby 2-3 0-0 6; Gary Akbar 3-7 2-4 8; Willis Nicholson 0-1 2-2 2; Corey Hilliard 1-8 0-0 2; Justin Coleman 4-14 4-7 12; Ede Egharevba 0-2 0-0 0; Brandon Lucas 3-8 0-0 6; Aly Ahmed 5-9 2-4 12. Totals 18-52 10-17 48

New Mexico JC (24-6, 12-4) — Devin Patterson 2-4 0-0 4; Jeff Neverson 1-4 12 3; Desmond Lee 2-7 4-4 9; Alexander Ovcharenko 0-1 0-0 0; Robert Turner 2-8 6-9 11; Rashatn Madison 0-1 0-0 0; Dekabrean Eldridge 6-12 2-2 17; Ramon Eaton 1-4 1-2 3; Chris Dines 1-2 2-2 4; Jazweylon Davenport 1-7 0-2 2. Totals 16-50 16-20 53

Halftime — NMJC 26, MC22. 3-point goals — MC 2 (Weasby 2), NMJC 5 (Eldridge 3, Turner, Lee). Total fouls — MC 19, NMJC 17. Fouled out — None. Technical fouls — Hilliard, Lee. Rebounds — MC 37 (Coleman 12), NMJC 39 (Davenport 8, Hasty — MC 5 (Coleman 2, Hilliard 2), NMJC 9 (Davenport 4). Turnovers — MC 17, NMJC 13

Next: Midland College's season is complete. NMJC vs. TBA at Region V Tournament, Thursday, Lubbock

TENNISROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MCA PLAYERS COMPETE IN LEVELLAND

LEVELLAND — Midland Classical Academy sophomore Max Sivalls picked up a singles victory, and Will Wineinger finished second at the Levelland tournament on Thursday.

Sivalls won his final 6-0, 6-0, and only lost three games for the tournament and won the Boys Orange "A" singles draw.

Wineinger, a sophomore, lost in the final to an opponent from Lubbock Cooper and took second in the Boys Green "A" singles draw.

Freshman Beth Ann Holmes played through an ankle injury to finish in the fourth spot in the Girls Orange "A" singles draw, and freshman Kelsie Kennedy lost in the quarterfinals of the same draw.

UTPBROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MEN'S BASKETBALL FALCONS FALL TO DALLAS BAPTIST

DALLAS — Dallas Baptist jumped out to a 12-point halftime lead and then rolled to a convincing 89-62 victory against the Universiyt of Texas of the Permian Basin in a Heartland Conference game on Thursday.

The Patriots (10-16, 6-7) jumped out to a 40-28 halftime lead and then extended that lead in the second half.

Madison Turner led the Falcons (10-14, 5-9) with 15 points and Rob Heyer added 13, Nick Fox led Dallas Baptist with 23 points and Charles Allen scored 20.

HSBASEBALL/SOFTBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Softball

HARDAWAY PITCHES PERFECT GAME FOR LEE

BURLESON — Lee senior pitcher Emily Hardaway pitched a five-inning perfect game Thursday in a 10-0 victory against Killeen Ellison at the Burleson Tournament on Thursday.



Hardaway

Hardaway successfully allowed no baserunners in five innings of work and the Lady Rebels committed no errors behind her. She struck out four batters.

Adrian Berzoza led Lee at the plate with three RBI and two stolen bases, while Rosie Marquez added two RBI.

The Lady Rebels later lost to tournament host Burleson, 5-1. It's only the second loss of the year for Lee (12-2). Marquez had a triple and knocked in Lee's only run in the loss.

The Lady Rebels continue play in Burleson today.

MADDOX LEADS GREENWOOD TO PAIR OF WINS

GRANBURY — Sophomore pitcher Kassie Maddox was one pitch away from having a no-hitter as she led Greenwood to a 3-0 victory against Springtown to open the Granbury Tournament.

Maddox didn't give up a hit until the fifth inning and didn't allow another for the rest of the game. She finished with 12 strikeouts, while also going 4 for 4 at the plate with a double, triple and RBI.

Maddox later had a game-winning hit in a 7-6 victory against Comanche. With the score tied 6-6, Jaden Shoults led off the bottom of the seventh with a triple to right. Maddox followed with a double to left, scoring Shoults for the win.

GREENWOOD 3, SPRINGTOWN 0

Greenwood	000	002	1	3	7 1
Springtown	000	000	0	0	1 0

Kassie Maddox and Priscilla Acosta. Kelsey Huff and Katie Crook. W — Maddox (3-3). L — Huff. 2B — GW, Maddox; Acosta. Shawnda Price. 3B — GW, Maddox.

GREENWOOD 7, COMANCHE 6

Comanche	000	410	1	6	8 2
Greenwood	150	000	1	7	6 4

Orewes, Hagood (5) and Mobley, Kassie Maddox and Priscilla Acosta. W — Maddox (4-3). L — Hagood. 2B — CHS: Ripley, Hagood. GW: Maddox 2. Acosta. 3B — GW: Jaden Shoults. Maddox.

Record: Greenwood 5-8

Next: Greenwood vs. Arlington Heights, 2 p.m. today, Granbury Tournament

Baseball

GREENWOOD 9, FORT STOCKTON 1

MONAHANS — Greenwood had a successful start to the Monahans Tournament, coasting to victory against former district rival Fort Stockton on Thursday.

The Rangers were up 9-0 before Fort Stockton got its only run of the game in the bottom of the fifth. Victor Urias got the win, allowing one unearned run on four hits and no walks, while recording five strikeouts.

Garrett Carlisle finished the game 3 for 3 at the plate with a triple, two RBI and three runs scored. Zane Helms was 2 for 3 with two RBI.

The Rangers (6-0) continue play in Monahans today.

GREENWOOD 9, FORT STOCKTON 1

Greenwood	214	20	—9	15	1
Fort Stockton	000	01	—1	4	2

Victor Urias and Zach Redwine. Garrison and Acosta. W — Urias. L — Garrison. 2B — GW, Braydin Moreland. 3B — GW, Garrett Carlisle.

Record: Greenwood 6-0

Next: Greenwood at Monahans Tournament, today

MCS PICKS UP 2 TOURNEY WINS

SAN ANTONIO — Midland Christian got off to a strong start in the East View Tournament on Thursday, defeating San Antonio MacArthur 8-4 before knocking off Round Rock Stony Point, 6-5, in eight innings.

The Mustangs needed some late-game heroics in the second game with Nolan Schattel scoring Christian Whigham on a fielder's choice in the top of the eighth as the go-ahead run.

Colton Chalker led the Mustangs at the plate for the day, going 5 for 9.

Midland Christian continues play at the East View Tournament today.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 8, SAN ANTONIO MACARTHUR 4

MacArthur	001	120	0	—4	10 3
MCS	123	011	x	—8	11 2

Keller, Stallworth (5) and Colorado. Corey Rasure, Corby Ogden (5), Caleb Thomas (6), Colton Chalker (7) and Nolan Schattel. W — Rasure (1-1). L — Keller. 2B — SAM, Joan, Keller; MCS, Schattel, Daniel Crooks, Elias Aguirre, Thomas. 3B — MCS, Chalker.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 6, ROUND ROCK STONY POINT 5, 8 INNINGS

MCS	000	004	11	—6	11 2
Stony Point	100	003	10	—5	8 3

Haden Wood, Nolan Schattel (6), Caleb Thomas (8) and Schattel, Nathan Slater (6). Schattel (8). W — Schattel (2-0). L — n/a. S — Thomas (1). 2B — MCS: Slater, Garrett Clark, Colton Chalker. SP: Bailey, Jones.

Record: MCS 5-1

Next: Midland Christian at East View Tournament, San Antonio

TOC

From 1C

Gilbert Sanchez drove in two runs, with Brent Stewart, Ryan Whittenberg, Lance White and Jake Parrish also recording RBI. Stewart, meanwhile, also had two hits, scored four runs and stole five bases.

Leaving the bases juiced twice was one of the few things Midland High (8-1) didn't do right on Thursday as they had 13 hits along with the 11 runs. That offense also helped Hallmark, who not only had the six hits but also induced two double plays in the game.

Hallmark, meanwhile, gave up a run in the first but then stonewalled the Westerners for the next four innings, including inducing two inning-ending double plays.

"He's not flashy, he's got a curve ball and moves his fast ball, that's just typical Jeremy Hallmark," Russell said. "We've had some games for him this year where we didn't catch it, and that's not his game you've got play defense for him. Those double plays were great."

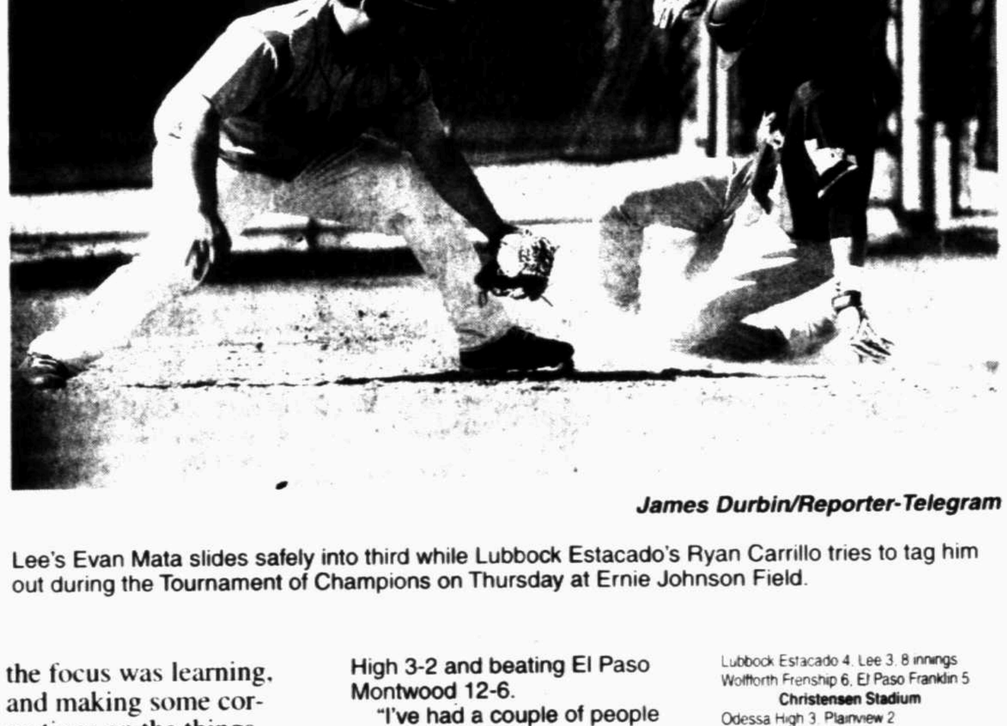
Lee, meanwhile, lost a heartbreaker on Thursday afternoon at their home field as the Matadors scored the winning run in the top of the eighth after Lee tied the game with a pair of runs in the sixth.

Later on Thursday night at Citibank Ballpark, the Rebels went down 3-1 to the Knights before taking the lead with a three-run fifth as Evan Mata, Hunter Coleman and Jonathan Schwalbach all drove in runs.

Lee added three more runs in the sixth as it took advantage of three walks and an error.

"That's what we had talked to our kids about this whole weekend is that the focus was learning, and making some corrections on the things we've done wrong," Roper said. "But as long as they played hard, play with passion, and do the little things to respect the game, that's all I'm concerned about and they are doing that. Now we just have to work on fundamentals and correcting physical mistakes."

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Lee's Evan Mata slides safely into third while Lubbock Estacado's Ryan Carrillo tries to tag him out during the Tournament of Champions on Thursday at Ernie Johnson Field.

TOC NOTES

WEBSTER BACK IN HIGH SCHOOL: Brian Roper isn't the only coach returning to the high school ranks after a stint in college in the tournament this weekend as Plainview has a new mentor in former Lubbock Coronado coach Jimmy Webster.

Webster spent two seasons at Texas Tech after a successful stint at Lubbock Coronado, but then was jobless after former coach Dan Spencer was fired after last season. But Webster was hired this past summer as the new baseball coach of the Bulldogs.

Plainview split its two games on Thursday at the tournament, losing to Odessa High 3-2 and beating El Paso Montwood 12-6.

"I've had a couple of people say, 'Was it hard for you to come back to high school?' Webster said. "I was in high school for 19 years, it was harder for me to go to college and it's less change for me personally to be back in high school."

DEFENDING CHAMPS SUFFER LOSSES: El Paso Montwood and El Paso Franklin shared last year's Tournament of Champions overall title, and on Friday the two Sun City squads had an up-and-down day.

Montwood began the day with a 12-6 loss to Plainview, but then rebounded later Thursday to beat Grapevine 6-0.

Franklin, meanwhile, lost its lone game on Friday, 6-5 to Wolfforth Frenship.

GAMES TO WATCH TODAY

- Lubbock High vs. Lubbock Estacado, 1 p.m., Christensen Stadium
- Midland High vs. Grapevine, 4 p.m., Zachery Field
- Lee vs. El Paso Montwood, 4 p.m., Ernie Johnson Field
- Midland High vs. Frenship, 7 p.m., Citibank Ballpark

Thursday
Zachery Field
Canyon Randall 10, Odessa Permian 6
Midland High 11, Lubbock High 2
Ernie Johnson Field
Lubbock Estacado 4, Lee 3, 8 innings
Wolfforth Frenship 6, El Paso Franklin 5
Christensen Stadium
Odessa High 3, Plainview 2
Lubbock high 3, Amarillo Tascosa 0
El Paso El Dorado 5, Canyon Randall 3
El Paso Montwood 6, Grapevine 0
Citibank Ballpark
Andrews 14, Odessa Permian 11
Odessa High 7, El Paso Hanks 6
Plainview 12, El Paso Montwood 6
Lee 7, El Paso Hanks 3
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Zachery Field
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Midland High vs. Wolfforth Frenship, 7 p.m.
Saturday
Zachery Field
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Odessa High vs. El Paso El Dorado, 1 p.m.
El Paso Montwood vs. Wolfforth Frenship, 4 p.m.
Ernie Johnson Field
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Oilers roll to 5-1 win over Stars

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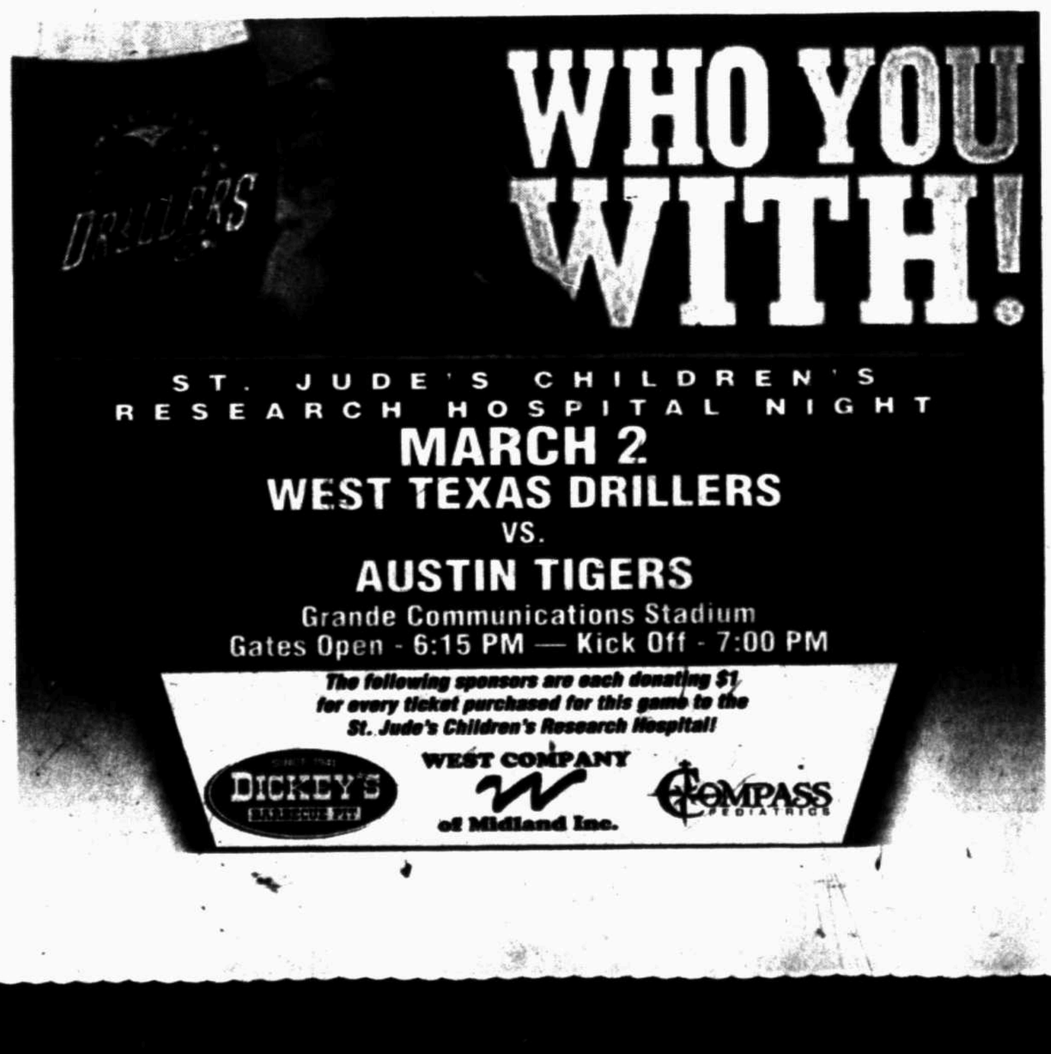
DALLAS — Ales Hemsky scored a goal and two assists, Jeff Petry added a goal and an assist, and Devan Dubnyk made 33 saves in helping the Edmonton Oilers roll to a 5-1 victory over the Dallas Stars on Thursday night.

The win snapped Edmonton's six-game losing streak against the Stars, including two meetings earlier this season and represented their first victory in Dallas (0-10-1) since Dec. 8, 2006.

Sam Gagner, Justin Schultz and Ben Eager also scored for the Oilers, while Jordan Eberle added two assists.

Jaromir Jagr scored Dallas' goal, while Kari Lehtonen made 33 saves in his return to the Stars' net after missing five games with a groin injury. He made a number of big saves and was victimized by two shots from the corner that deflected off teammates in front of him.

Edmonton, on the second stop of a nine-game road trip, led 2-0 late in the second period before delivering the crushing blow on Petry's second goal of the year with just 13.9 seconds left. Petry received a fortunate bounce when he backhanded the puck from the left corner into the crease, where it pinballed off Lehtonen's stick, off Trevor Daley's arm and over Lehtonen's shoulder.



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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	34	20	.630	–
Brooklyn	34	21	.618	1
Boston	30	27	.526	5 1/2
Toronto	23	35	.397	13
Philadelphia	22	34	.393	13

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	41	14	.745	–
Atlanta	33	23	.589	8 1/2
Washington	18	38	.321	23 1/2
Orlando	16	42	.276	26 1/2
Charlotte	13	44	.228	29

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	36	22	.621	–
Chicago	33	25	.569	3
Milwaukee	29	28	.509	7
Detroit	23	37	.383	14
Cleveland	20	38	.345	16

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	42	15	.737	–
Denver	37	22	.627	6
Utah	31	27	.534	11 1/2
Portland	26	31	.456	16
Minnesota	20	34	.370	20 1/2

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	42	18	.700	–
Golden State	33	25	.569	8
L.A. Lakers	28	30	.483	13
Phoenix	20	39	.339	21 1/2
Sacramento	20	39	.339	21 1/2

Thursday's Scores

L.A. Clippers 99, Indiana 91
Chicago 93, Philadelphia 82
Minnesota at L.A. Lakers, late

Today's Games

Indiana at Toronto, 6 p.m.
Houston at Orlando, 6 p.m.
New York at Washington, 6 p.m.
Golden State at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit at New Orleans, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Brooklyn, 7 p.m.
Memphis at Miami, 7 p.m.
Sacramento at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Utah, 8 p.m.
Atlanta at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Denver, 9:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Golden State at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Brooklyn at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Portland, 9 p.m.

THURSDAY'S BOXES

BULLS 93, 76ERS 82

PHILADELPHIA (82): Turner 6-16 0-1 12, T.Young 4-13 1-4 9, Hawes 7-18 6-6 20, Holiday 10-19 1-3 22, N.Young 1-6 2-2 5, Wright 2-4 1-3 7, Allen 1-4 0-2 2, Pargo 0-3 1-2 1, Moultrie 2-2 0-0 4. Totals 33-85 12-21 82

CHICAGO (93): Deng 5-13 2-2 13, Boozer 5-13 11-12 21, Noah 8-12 7-9 23, Hinrich 5-15 4-5 15, Beinelli 3-10 0-0 6, Butler 2-5 1-2 5, Robinson 3-11 1-2 9, Mohammed 1-2 0-0 2, Cook 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 32-83 26-33 93

Philadelphia	22	17	23	20 — 82
Chicago	22	23	22	25 — 93

3-Point Goals—Philadelphia 4-11 (Wright 2-4, N.Young 1-1, Holiday 1-4, Turner 0-1, Hawes 0-1), Chicago 3-14 (Robinson 2-3, Hinrich 1-5, Butler 0-1, Deng 0-2, Beinelli 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Philadelphia 58 (Hawes 15), Chicago 61 (Noah 21). Assists—Philadelphia 16 (Turner 4), Chicago 19 (Hinrich 6). Total Fouls—Philadelphia 24, Chicago 12. A—21,576 (20,917)

CLIPPERS 99, PACERS 91

L.A. CLIPPERS (99): Butler 1-9 0-0 2, Griffin 7-10 4-5 18, Jordan 2-3 0-0 4, Paul 11-18 6-6 29, Billups 1-6 0-0 3, Odom 2-8 2-4 6, Crawford 9-16 4-4 23, Barnes 1-3 0-0 2, Turiaf 2-3 1-2 5. Bledsoe 3-4 0-0 7. Totals 39-80 17-21 99

INDIANA (91): George 7-18 2-2 20, West 5-14 11-14 22, Mahinmi 2-3 1-1 5, Ge.Hill 4-12 2-4 12, Stephenson 7-8 1-2 16, Pendergraph 1-3 0-0 2, Granger 5-10 1-2 12, Hansbrough 0-3 0-0 0, Johnson 1-2 0-0 2, Augustin 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 32-75 18-25 91

L.A. Clippers	26	23	27	23 — 99
Indiana	25	22	22	22 — 91

3-Point Goals—L.A. Clippers 4-23 (Bledsoe 1-1, Crawford 1-2, Paul 1-3, Billups 1-6, Barnes 0-2, Odom 0-3, Butler 0-6), Indiana 9-25 (George 4-11, Ge.Hill 2-7, West 1-1, Stephenson 1-1, Granger 1-2, Johnson 0-1, Augustin 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Clippers 43 (Griffin 14), Indiana 52 (Pendergraph, Stephenson 7). Assists—L.A. Clippers 19 (Paul 8), Indiana 18 (George 5). Total Fouls—L.A. Clippers 26, Indiana 22. Flagrant Fouls—Barnes, A—18,165 (18,165)

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men

THURSDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Alcorn St. 81, Prairie View 75
Nicholls St. 56, Sam Houston St. 53
North Texas 74, Arkansas St. 50
Texas A&M-CC 76, SE Louisiana 64
Texas Southern 78, Southern U. 66
Texas St. 67, Seattle 65
Tulsa 68, Houston Bap. 51
UALR 77, Louisiana-Lafayette 68
UTSA 74, Idaho 58

SOUTH

Alabama A&M 73, Grambling St. 47
Appalachian St. 70, Samford 67, 2OT
Chattanooga 81, W. Carolina 72
Coll. of Charleston 55, Wofford 50
Drexel 81, Old Dominion 77
E. Kentucky 69, Tennessee Tech 54
FIU 67, Louisiana-Monroe 58
Florida Gulf Coast 60, Mercer 57
Lipscomb 77, Jacksonville 73
Louisiana Tech 84, Utah St. 61
McNeese St. 56, Oral Roberts 54
Middle Tennessee 68, Troy 56
Morehead St. 101, Tennessee St. 100
N. Kentucky 72, North Florida 45
North Carolina 88, Clemson 59
SE Missouri 108, Austin Peay 81
Stetson 91, Kennesaw St. 77
The Citadel 66, Furman 57
UT-Martin 69, Murray St. 68
W. Kentucky 79, South Alabama 73

MIDWEST

Ohio St. 63, Northwestern 53
S. Dakota St. 100, Nebraska-Omaha 82
South Dakota 87, IUPUI 69
W. Illinois 53, UMKC 50

EAST

Albany (NY) 56, New Hampshire 49
CCSU 84, St. Francis (Pa.) 81, 2OT
Canisius 77, St. Peter's 65, OT
Hartford 68, UMBC 56
Long Island U. 70, Sacred Heart 68
Mount St. Mary's 77, Monmouth (NJ) 63
Quinnipiac 78, St. Francis (NY) 67
Rider 68, Niagara 59
Robert Morris 77, Bryant 75
Stony Brook 71, Boston U. 55
Temple 83, Detroit 78
Vermont 78, Binghamton 61
Wagner 84, Fairleigh Dickinson 66

FAR WEST

California 84, Utah 46
Montana St. 62, S. Utah 61
N. Arizona 67, Idaho St. 58
San Francisco 83, San Diego 70

TOURNAMENT

Gulf Coast Athletic Conference

Quarterfinals

Dillard 59, Xavier (NO) 56

SSAC Tournament

Quarterfinals

Lee 81, Loyola (NO) 63

TranSouth Conference Tournament

Quarterfinals

Blue Mountain 61, Bethel (Tenn.) 78
Freed-Hardeman 88, Mid Continent 77

Top 25 Fared Thursday

1. Indiana (24-4) did not play. Next vs Iowa, Saturday.
2. Gonzaga (27-2) at BYU. Next vs Portland, Saturday.
3. Arizona (24-4) lost to Virginia 73-68. Next vs No 5 Miami, Saturday.
4. Michigan (23-5) did not play. Next vs No 9 Michigan State, Sunday.
5. Miami (23-4) did not play. Next at No 3 Duke, Saturday.
6. Kansas (24-4) did not play. Next vs West Virginia, Saturday.
7. Georgetown (22-4) did not play. Next vs Rutgers, Saturday.
8. Florida (22-5) did not play. Next vs Alabama, Saturday.
9. Michigan State (22-6) did not play. Next at No 4 Michigan, Sunday.
10. Louisville (23-5) did not play. Next at No 12 Syracuse, Saturday.
11. Arizona (23-5) did not play. Next at UCLA, Saturday.
12. Syracuse (22-6) did not play. Next vs No 10 Louisville, Saturday.
13. Kansas State (23-5) did not play. Next at Baylor, Saturday.
14. New Mexico (24-4) did not play. Next vs Wyoming, Saturday.
15. Oklahoma State (21-6) did not play. Next vs Texas, Saturday.
16. Ohio State (21-7) beat Northwestern 63-53. Next at No 1 Indiana, Tuesday.
17. Wisconsin (20-8) did not play. Next vs Purdue, Sunday.
18. Saint Louis (22-5) did not play. Next at George Washington, Saturday.
19. Memphis (24-4) did not play. Next at UCF, Saturday.
20. Butler (22-6) did not play. Next at VCU, Saturday.
21. Notre Dame (22-6) did not play. Next at No. 22 Marquette, Saturday.
22. Marquette (20-7) did not play. Next vs No. 21 Notre Dame, Saturday.
23. Pittsburgh (22-7) did not play. Next vs Villanova, Sunday.
24. Oregon (22-6) vs. Oregon State. Next at Colorado, Thursday.
25. Louisiana Tech (25-3) beat Utah State 84-61. Next vs. San Jose State, Saturday.

THURSDAY'S TEXAS BOXES

TEXAS-ARLINGTON 81, SAN JOSE ST. 74

SAN JOSE ST. (9-17): D.Brown 4-11 5-8 16, K.Jones 5-10 1-6 11, Cunningham 5-9 3-3 13, Andoh 0-3 1-2 1, Garrett 7-15 6-6 25, Williams 0-0 0-0 0, Moor 0-1 0-0 0, Smith 0-1 0-0 0, Vankirk 0-0 0-0 0, Pennington 2-4 0-0 6, A.Brown 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 24-57 16-27 74.

TEXAS-ARLINGTON (18-10): Butler 5-11 5-6 18, Edwards 2-4 0-0 4, Reves 3-5 4-4 10, White-Miller 1-5 3-4 6, Cabral 2-4 2-2 6, Outlaw 5-8 2-4 15, Chaney 3-4 1-3 7, Gibson 3-4 1-2 7, Gruszeski 5-9 2-3 14. Totals 29-60 19-28 81.

Halftime—Texas-Arlington 39-30. 3-Point Goals—San Jose St. 10-25 (Garrett 5-10, D. Brown 3-9, Pennington 2-5, K. Jones 0-1), Texas-Arlington 6-17 (Outlaw 3-6, Gruszeski 2-3, White-Miller 1-3, Edwards 0-1, Butler 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—San Jose St. 39 (Cunningham 13), Texas-Arlington 36 (Reves 9). Assists—San Jose St. 16 (K. Jones 5), Texas-Arlington 21 (White-Miller 7). Total Fouls—San Jose St. 23, Texas-Arlington 23. A—1,306

TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO 74, IDAHO 56

IDAHO (18-17): Barone 6-11 1-3 13, Habeeb 2-3 2-2 6, C. Hill 4-12 0-0 10, Mc-Clinton 7-13 0-0 19, Madison 3-9 1-2 8, Harris Jr. 0-4 0-1 0, Rodriguez 0-1 0-0 0, W. Hill 0-0 0-0 0, Kammerer 0-0 0-0 0, Faires 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 22-55 4-8 56

TEXAS-SAN ANTONIO (8-19): Hill 4-5 4-5 12, Sims 2-4 0-0 5, Wilkins 3-3 3-4 9, Hale III 11-25 2-3 26, Burrage 7-14 0-1 16, Thomas 0-0 0-0 0, McGregor 3-4 0-1 6, Wood 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-55 9-14 74.

Halftime—Idaho 40-38. 3-Point Goals—Idaho 8-22 (McClinton 5-8, C. Hill 2-8, Madison 1-4, Douglas 0-1, Habeeb 0-1), Texas-San Antonio 5-11 (Burrage 2-3, Hale III 2-4, Sims 1-3, Hill 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Idaho 33 (Barone 10), Texas-San Antonio 29 (McGregor 9). Assists—Idaho 10 (Harris Jr. 5), Texas-San Antonio 7 (Hale III 3). Total Fouls—Idaho 16, Texas-San Antonio 11. A—1,444

TEXAS ST. 67, SEATTLE 65

SEATTLE (7-19): Trent 1-1 0-0 3, Ramsussen 6-19 0-0 18, Green 4-7 0-0 8, Obasi 5-8 0-0 11, Bidari 0-0 0-0 0, Tate 7-11 0-1 14, Pickett Jr. 0-0 0-0 0, Sunderhaus 3-6 2-2 9, Crook 0-1 0-0 0, Trimble 0-0 0-0 0, Diop 1-1 0-2 2. Flora 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 27-56 2-3 65.

TEXAS ST. (9-19): Koenen 3-6 5-7 12, Staff 5-14 2-3 14, Wright 4-14 7-13 16, Hawkins 1-3 0-1 2, D. Jones 6-11 0-0 16, T. Jones 3-8 0-0 7, Dorsey 0-0 0-0 0, Brown 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 22-55 14-24 67.

Halftime—Seattle 38-37. 3-Point Goals—Seattle 9-21 (Rasmussen 6-15, Trent 1-1, Sunderhaus 1-1, Obasi 1-2, Tate 0-1, Flora 0-1), Texas St. 9-27 (D. Jones 4-9, Staff 2-6, T. Jones 1-2, Koenen 1-3, Wright 1-3, Hawkins 0-2, Brown 0-2). Fouled Out—Sunderhaus. Rebounds—Seattle 37 (Green 9), Texas St. 28 (Wright 7). Assists—Seattle 17 (Obasi 11), Texas St. 12 (Hawkins, T. Jones 3). Total Fouls—Seattle 20, Texas St. 13. A—1,524.

NORTH TEXAS 74, ARKANSAS ST. 50

ARKANSAS ST (18-10): Washington 0-7 4-4 4, Golden 0-9 0-0 0, Finn 2-9 4-4 8, Hooten 4-14 2-3 10, Peterson 2-4 0-0 5, Dickerson 0-1 4-6 0, Downs 2-7 0-0 4, Townsel 4-12 5-6 14, Worsham 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 17-68 15-17 50.

NORTH TEXAS (12-19): T. Mitchell 3-8 2-2 10, Stoyiskovic 1-2 4-6 7, A. Williams 5-9 9-11 19, J. Williams 7-13 0-1 16, Franklin 5-10 2-2 12, Hardnett 0-2 2-2 2, Jones 4-7 0-0 8, A. Mitchell 0-0 0-0 0, Overlander 1-3 0-0 3. Totals 25-52 20-27 74.

Halftime—North Texas 34-24. 3-Point Goals—Arkansas St. 7-23 (Townsel 1-1, Hooten 0-1, Worsham 0-1, Finn 0-5, Golden 0-7), North Texas 4-13 (J. Williams 2-6, Stoyiskovic 1-2, T. Mitchell 1-2, Overlander 0-1, Jones 0-2). Fouled Out—Peterson. Rebounds—Arkansas St. 38 (Finn 9), North Texas 42 (T. Mitchell 13). Assists—Arkansas St. 9 (Golden 1), North Texas 9 (Stoyiskovic 4). Total Fouls—Arkansas St. 21, North Texas 13. Technical—Arkansas St. Bench. A—2,851.

Women

THURSDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Lamar 76, Cent. Arkansas 53
McMurry 62, Newman 57
Prairie View 61, Alcorn St. 59
Rice 82, UTEP 59
SE Louisiana 72, Texas A&M-CC 66
Sam Houston St. 74, Nicholls St. 49
Southern U. 55, Texas Southern 53
Tulane 73, SMU 68
Tulsa 79, Memphis 68
UALR 48, Louisiana-Lafayette 47

SOUTH

Ark.-Pine Bluff 63, MVSU 51
Charlotte 63, VCU 54
Drexel 58, Georgia St. 49
East Carolina 53, UAB 52
Florida 69, Arkansas 56
Florida Gulf Coast 89, Mercer 62
Florida St. 72, Maryland 71
Georgia Mason 65, UNC Wilmington 53
Georgia Tech 74, Clemson 48
Grambling St. 70, Alabama A&M 61
High Point 79, Campbell 57
Jackson St. 72, Alabama St. 67
Jacksonville 67, Lipscomb 55
James Madison 77, Old Dominion 61
Kentucky 89, Mississippi 65
LSU 76, Alabama 42
Liberty 68, Coastal Carolina 37
Longwood 79, Charleston Southern 73
Louisiana-Monroe 64, FIU 53
McNeese St. 76, Oral Roberts 71
Miami 89, Duke 85
Middle Tennessee 85, Troy 63
Mississippi St. 58, Georgia 38
N. Kentucky 57, North Florida 44
NC State 60, Virginia 59
North Carolina 88, Boston College 57
Presbyterian 87, Radford 40
Southern Miss. 68, Marshall 61
Stetson 74, Kennesaw St. 46
Tennessee 82, Texas A&M 72
Tennessee St. 82, Morehead St. 57
Tennessee Tech 67, E. Kentucky 47
UCF 64, Houston 62
UT-Martin 82, E. Illinois 62
Virginia Tech 62, Wake Forest 52
Winthrop 66, Liberty 54

MIDWEST

Akron 98, Ohio 82
Ball St. 81, Michigan 63
Bowling Green 56, Buffalo 43
Dayton 71, Saint Louis 61
E. Michigan 54, N. Illinois 45
Green Bay 71, Detroit 63
IUPUI 59, Oakland 37
Illinois St. 57, Wichita St. 56
Iowa 75, Indiana 70
Loyola of Chicago 92, Milwaukee 76
Miami (Ohio) 73, Kent St. 39
Michigan St. 80, Northwestern 50
Michigan St. 68, Purdue 61
Missouri 65, South Carolina 58
Nebraska 82, Wisconsin 53
Ohio St. 64, Illinois 53
South Dakota 50, Nebraska-Omaha 39
Toledo 75, W. Michigan 42
W. Illinois 73, IPFW 54
Wright St. 83, Valparaiso 78, OT
Youngstown St. 79, Ill.-Chicago 66

EAST

Delaware 79, Hofstra 50
Iona 71, Manhattan 64
Towson 73, Northeastern 69, OT

FAR WEST

Cal Poly 94, UC Riverside 59
Cal St.-Fullerton 66, UC Santa Barbara 38
California 73, Washington St. 60
Idaho St. 67, N. Arizona 46
Montana 79, Idaho 54
N. Colorado 67, E. Washington 66

Women's Top 25 Fared Thursday

1. Baylor (27-1) did not play. Next at West Virginia, Saturday.
2. Notre Dame (26-1) did not play. Next at Providence, Saturday.
3. UConn (26-2) did not play. Next at South Florida, Saturday.
4. Stanford (26-2) at Washington. Next at Washington State, Saturday.
5. Duke (26-2) lost to Miami 69-65. Next vs No. 15 NC State, Sunday.
6. California (26-2) beat Washington State 73-60. Next at Washington, Saturday.
7. Penn State (23-3) at Minnesota. Next at No. 20 Nebraska, Saturday.
8. Tennessee (23-5) beat No. 13 Texas A&M 82-72. Next at No. 16 Kentucky, Sunday.
9. Maryland (22-6) lost to No. 24 Florida State 72-71. Next vs. Wake Forest, Sunday.
10. Kentucky (24-4) beat Mississippi 90-65. Next vs. No. 8 Tennessee, Sunday.
11. Georgia (23-5) lost to Mississippi State 50-38. Next vs Vanderbilt, Sunday.
12. Louisville (25-3) beat Seton Hall 71-61. Next vs Saint Joseph's, Sunday.
13. Texas A&M (21-8) lost to No. 8 Tennessee 82-72. Next vs. Auburn, Sunday.
14. South Carolina (22-6) lost to Missouri 65-58. Next vs Florida, Sunday.
15. Miami (24-4) beat Duke 69-65. Next vs. No. 7 NC State, Sunday.
16. Kentucky (22-6) beat Georgia 50-38. Next vs No. 1 Penn State, Sunday.
17. Green Bay (23-3) beat Detroit 71-63. Next at Illinois-Chicago, Saturday.
18. Syracuse (22-5) did not play. Next at Villanova, Saturday.
19. Texas (20-8) did not play. Next at TCU, Saturday.
20. Florida State (21-7) beat No. 9 Maryland 72-71. Next at Virginia, Sunday.
21. Purdue (22-6) did not play. Next at Michigan State, Saturday.
22. Gonzaga (26-3) did not play. Next at Pepperdine, Saturday.
23. Rutgers (21-7) did not play. Next at Seton Hall, Saturday.
24. Oregon State (21-7) did not play. Next at Oregon, Friday.
25. Oklahoma (20-8) did not play. Next at Texas Tech, Saturday.

THURSDAY'S TEXAS BOX

No. 8 TENNESSEE 82,

No. 13 TEXAS A&M 72

TEXAS A&M (21-8): Williams-Goss 4-12 2-3 13, Bellock 3-9 0-0 7, Walker 3-4 0-0 7, Prather 4-17 0-0 20, Walker 6-15 0-0 12, Scott 1-3 0-3 2, Little 0-0 0-0 0, Jones 2-4 0-0 4. Gilbert 1-1 2-2 4. Totals 32-67 2-8 72.

TENNESSEE (23-5): Graves 6-11 2-4 14, Williams 6-13 0-0 14, Massenburg 0-1 0-0 0, Simmons 5-11 2-2 12, Mosqueda-Lewis 3-7 0-0 7, Burdick 5-11 5-15 15, Harrison 5-10 0-0 10. Totals 33-68 9-17 82.

Halftime—Tennessee 37-32. 3-Point Goals—Texas A&M 5-17 (Prather 1-4, Scott 1-1, Williams 0-1, Jones 0-1), Tennessee 3-8 (Williams 2-2, Simmons 1-2, Massenburg 0-1, Mosqueda-Lewis 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Texas A&M 27 (Bellock, Walker 6), Tennessee 44 (Burdick 14). Assists—Texas A&M 18 (Walker 6), Tennessee 17 (Massenburg 4). Total Fouls—Texas A&M 16, Tennessee 7. A—12,213.

NHL

SABRES 4, PANTHERS 3, SO

Buffalo	3	0	0	0 — 4
Florida	2	0	1	0 — 3

Buffalo won shootout 2-0

First Period—1, Buffalo, Gerbe 1 (Ott, Ennis) 6:30. 2, Buffalo, Ennis 7 (Vanek, Ott) 11:00 (pp). 3, Florida, Dvorak 20 (Kuraly, Campbell) 14:24 (pp). 4, Florida, Goc 2 (Fleischmann, Skille) 15:20. 5, Buffalo, Gerbe 2 (Ott, Weber) 19:46.

Second Period—None.

Third Period—6, Florida, Campbell 6 (Dvorak, Goc) 7:27.

Overtime—None.

Shootout—Buffalo 2 (Vanek G, Pominville G). Florida 0 (Dvorak G, Mueller G, Campbell G, Fleischmann G, Skille G).

Shots on Goal—Buffalo 11-5-8-1—25. Florida 9-16-14-4—43.

Goalies—Buffalo, Miller. Florida, Clemmensen. Theodore. A—15,672 (17,040). T—2:41.

JETS 3, DEVILS 1

New Jersey	0	1	0	– 1
Winnipeg	1	1	1	– 3

First Period—1, Winnipeg, Ladd 11 (Little, Bogosian) :08.

Second Period—2, New Jersey, Loktionov 2 (Ponikarovsky, Tallinder) 3:05.

Third Period—3, Winnipeg, Ladd 12 (Byfuglien, Clitsome) 11:59. 4, Winnipeg, Wheeler 7 (Ladd, Hamilton) 19:24 (en).

Shots on Goal—New Jersey 5-8-10—23. Winnipeg 8-5-8—21.

Goalies—New Jersey, Hedberg. Winnipeg, Pavelec. A—15,004 (15,004). T—2:26.

BRUINS 2, SENATORS 1, OT

Ottawa	0	1	0	0	– 1
Boston	1	0	0	1	– 2

First Period—None.

Second Period—1, Boston, Horton 7 (Hamilton, Lucic) 5:48. 2, Ottawa, O'Brien 5 (Smith, Daugavins) 14:38 (pp).

Third Period—None.

Overtime—3, Boston, Bergeron 4 (Seidenberg) 3:38.

Shots on Goal—Ottawa 5-15-9-2—31. Boston 11-18-12-5—46.

Second Period—4, N.Y. Rangers, Staal 2 (Miller, Nash) 16:38 (pp).

Third Period—5, N.Y. Rangers, Nash 4 (Richards, McDonagh) 18:27.

Shots on Goal—Tampa Bay, Garon. N.Y. Rangers, Lundqvist 4-12-20 (17:200). T—2:27.

AVALANCHE 5, FLAMES 4

Calgary	3	1	0	– 4
Colorado	0	2	3	– 5

First Period—1, Calgary, Bouwmeester 4 (Baertschi, Hudler) 4:28. 2, Calgary, Cammalleri 6 (Stempniak, Bergin) 5:01. 3, Calgary, Iginla 4 (Sauer, Hudler) 19:06.

Second Period—4, Colorado, O'Byrne 1 (Duchene, Parenteau) 5:11. 5, Colorado, Downie 4 (Landeskog, Stastny) 14:25. 6, Calgary, Iginla 5 (Hudler, Tanguay) 13:16 (pp).

Third Period—7, Colorado, Landeskog 2 (Holden, Downie) 2:18. 8, Colorado, Stastny 5 (Landeskog, Downie) 6:34. 9, Colorado, Duchene 7 (McGinn, Parenteau) 10:52.

Shots on Goal—Calgary 11-7-5—23. Colorado 8-15-13—36.

Goalies—Calgary, MacDonald. Colorado, Varlamov. A—15,197 (18,007). T—2:36.

WILD 4, COYOTES 3

Minnesota	2	2	0	– 4
Phoenix	0	1	2	– 3

First Period—1, Minnesota, Zucker 3 (Cullen, Setoguchi) 1:35. 2, Minnesota, Heatley 6 (Bouchard, Suter) 14:01.

Second Period—3, Minnesota, Heatley 7 (Cullen, Setoguchi) 6:03. 4, Phoenix, Klesla 1 (Chipchura, Boedker) 10:58. 5, Minnesota, Spurgeon 1 (Koivu, Parise) 16:02 (pp).

Third Period—6, Phoenix, Yandle 3 (Morris, Boedker) 15:21. 7, Phoenix, Doan 5 (Ekman-Larsson, Sullivan) 19:01.

Shots on Goal—Minnesota 8-11-4—23. Phoenix 11-5-12—28.

Goalies—Minnesota, Backstrom. Phoenix, Smith. LaBarbera. A—11,547 (17,125). T—2:25.

Spring Training

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Texas	6	0	1.000
Kansas City	6	0	1.000
Seattle	1	0	1.000
Baltimore	5	2	.833
Chicago	3	1	.750
Tampa Bay	5	2	.714
Houston	4	2	.667
Minnesota	4	2	.667
Cleveland	3	2	.600
Detroit	3	3	.500
Boston	3	4	.429
Toronto	3	4	.429
Oakland	2	4	.333
Texas	1	5	.167
New York	1	6	.143
Los Angeles	0	5	.000

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Los Angeles	3	1	.750
Chicago	4	2	.667
Colorado	4	2	.667
St. Louis	4	2	.667
Miami	3	2	.600
Arizona	3	3	.500
Atlanta	3	4	.429
Philadelphia	2	3	.400
Pittsburgh	2	3	.400
San Diego	3	5	.375
San Francisco	1	2	.333
Milwaukee	1	5	.286
Cincinnati	2	6	.250
New York	1	3	.250
Washington	1	3	.250

NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings; games against non-major league teams do not.

Thursday's Scores

St. Louis 8, Miami 2
Minnesota 7, Baltimore 1
Toronto 1, N.Y. Yankees (ss) 0
Detroit 11, Tampa Bay 2
Houston 7, N.Y. Yankees (ss) 6
Philadelphia 10, Atlanta 5
Boston 15, Pittsburgh 6
Milwaukee 4, Chicago White Sox 3
Chicago Cubs 5, Oakland 3
Texas 10, Cleveland 0
Arizona 6, Cincinnati (ss) 5
Kansas City 5, San Diego 4
L.A. Dodgers 10, L.A. Angels 8
Seattle 4, San Francisco 3
Colorado 4, Cincinnati (ss) 3
Washington 4, N.Y. Mets 4, tie 10 innings

Today's Games

Minnesota vs Miami at Jupiter, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (ss) vs Baltimore at Sarasota, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay vs Toronto at Dunedin, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Philadelphia vs N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
St. Louis vs Houston at Kissimmee, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Detroit vs N.Y. Mets at Port St. Lucie, Fla., 12:10 p.m.
San Diego vs L.A. Dodgers (ss) at Glendale, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Texas vs Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Cincinnati vs Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
San Francisco vs Oakland at Phoenix, 2:05 p.m.
Arizona vs Chicago Cubs at Mesa, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox vs Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Milwaukee vs L.A. Angels at Tempe, Ariz., 2:35 p.m.
Milwaukee vs Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 2:10 p.m.
Washington vs Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla., 5:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (ss) vs Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 6:05 p.m.

THURSDAY'S TEXAS LINESCORES

ASTROS 7, YANKEES 6

New York (A) (ss)	000	005	010	—	6	11	1
Houston	000	016	00x	—	7	9	2

B.Marshall, Betances (4), M.O'Brien (5), S.Greene (6), S.Hall (6), K.Perez (8) and Cervelli; Bedard, Romine (4), Reardon (4), R.Seaton (6), Demel (6), B.Oberholtzer (7), S.Escalona (8) and J.Castro. Jaramillo W—Demel. L—S.Greene. Sv—S.Escalona. HRs—New York, Al.Mesa 1. Houston, Ankiel 1, Bullard 1).

RANGERS 10, INDIANS 0

Cleveland	000	000	000	—	0	5	1
Texas	142	200	01x	—	10	18	0

Kluber, Pestano (3), Matsuzaka (4), Bauer (6), Neve (8) and Jerjomican. C.Santana, D.Holland, Lindblom (5), N.Robertson (6), C.Woods (7), Beverlay (8), Agnin (9) and Pierzynski. Schmidt W—D.Holland. L—M.Alcester. HRs—Texas, Moreland (1).

Fight Schedule

Friday

At MGM Grand at Foxwoods Resort Mashantucket, Conn. (ESPN2): Billy Dib vs Evgeny Gradovich, 12 for Dib's IBF featherweight title; Mike Nelson vs Michael Medina, 10 junior middleweights.

Saturday

At The Apollo Theater, New York (SHO): Daniel Ponce De Leon vs Jayson Velez, 12 for Ponce De Leon's WBC featherweight title; Richard Abril vs Sharif Bogere, 12 for the vacant WBA World lightweight title; Gary Russell Jr. vs Vyacheslav Gusev, 10 featherweights; at Hard Rock Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas (SHO): Richar Abril vs Sharif Bogere, 12 for the vacant WBA lightweight title; Gary Russell Jr. vs Vyacheslav Gusev, 10 featherweights.

ON THE AIR

What's on TV

AUTO RACING

NASCAR, Nationwide Series, practice for Dollar General 200, at Avondale, Ariz., 11 a.m., Speed

NASCAR, Sprint Cup, practice for Subway Fresh Fit 500, at Avondale, Ariz., 1 p.m., Speed

NASCAR, Nationwide Series, final practice for Dollar General 200, at Avondale, Ariz., 2:30 p.m., Speed

NASCAR, Sprint Cup, pole qualifying for Subway Fresh Fit 500, at Avondale, Ariz., 5 p.m., Speed

BASEBALL

World Baseball Classic, first round, Australia vs. Chinese Taipei, at at Taichung, Taiwan, 12:30 p.m., MLB

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Loyola (Md.) at Iona, 6 p.m., ESPN2

MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY

Wisconsin at Nebraska-Omaha, 6:30 p.m., NBC Sports Network

BOXING

Champion Billy Dib (35-1-0) vs. Evgeny Gradovich (15-0-0), for IBF featherweight title, at Mashantucket, Conn., 8 p.m., ESPN2

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Pepperdine at Oklahoma, 6:30 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest Plus

GOLF

European PGA Tour, Tshwane Open, second round, at Centurion, South Africa (same-day tape), 8 a.m., TGC

LPGA, HSBC Women's Champions, second round, at Singapore (same-day tape), 11:30 a.m., TGC

PGA Tour, The Honda Classic, second round, at Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., 2 p.m., TGC

NBA

Dallas at Brooklyn, 7 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

Memphis at Miami, 7 p.m., ESPN

Oklahoma City at Denver, 9:30 p.m., ESPN

WHAT'S ON DECK

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL

Region I-3A Tournament, Greenwood vs. Wichita Falls Hirschi, 8:30 p.m., United Spirit Arena, Lubbock

Region I-2A Tournament at Chaparral Center

Bushland vs. Holliday, 6 p.m.
Idalou vs. Jim Ned, 7:30 p.m.

JUNIOR COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Midland College at Region XIV Crossover, Longview

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS GOLF

Midland Girls Invitational, Green Tree Country Club
Greenwood at Lubbock Invitational

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS GOLF

Lee, Trinity, Greenwood, Midland Christian at Andrews Classic
Lee at Big Country Classic, Abilene

**HIGH SCHOOL TRAC

REGIONI-2ATOURNAMENT

BY JONATHAN HULL

Team Capsules

BUSHLAND FALCONS
Coach: Steve Rhodes
District: 1-2A
Record: 20-8
Road to regionals: def. Littlefield, 74-70, in bi-district; def. Brownfield, 52-39, in area; def. Childress, 67-63, OT, in regional quarterfinals
Players to watch: Junior W Bayler Andrews; Junior G Colter Cornelius; Junior G Taylor Cornelius
Notes: Bushland is the only team in the field to not be ranked. The Falcons finished second in District 1-2A behind Canadian. ... This is Bushland's first appearance in the regional tournament since 2009 when the Falcons lost to Eastland, 50-40, in the semifinals. ... Bushland was forced into overtime in the regional quarterfinals, but managed to pull out a 67-63 victory against Childress, which had qualified for the Region I-2A Tournament last season.

NO. 7 HOLLIDAY EAGLES
Coach: Kyle Tucker
District: 8-2A
Record: 31-3
Road to regionals: def. Kermit, 51-43, in area; def. Wall, 38-37, in regional quarterfinals
Players to watch: Senior P Justin Jones (6-7, 13.0 ppg, 7.0 rpg, 4.5 bpg); Senior PG Cameron Englishbee (6-0, 8.0 ppg, 4.0 apg)
Notes: This is the first trip to a regional tournament since 2003. The Eagles have never won a regional title. "It's been a great season so far," Holliday coach Kyle Tucker said. "The regional tournament was one of the main goals for the year. The kids put a lot of hard work in and have gotten better as the season has gone on." ... Holliday has five seniors on the squad, including three senior starters, but Tucker said his underclassmen contribute plenty. Senior post Justin Jones leads the Eagles in scoring and rebounding. ... Thanks to the inclement weather delaying Bushland's game with Childress, Tucker got to see the Falcons play firsthand Wednesday and left the game impressed with his semifinal opponent. "They're very well coached and disciplined," Tucker said. "They want to control tempo and try to dictate what's going on. We have to do a good job of attacking."

NO. 4 IDALOU WILDCATS
Coach: Tyler Helms
District: 3-2A
Record: 32-3
Road to regionals: def. Dimmitt, 65-58, in area; def. Canadian, 60-55, in regional quarterfinals
Players to watch: Senior P Alan Zahn (6-9, 14.6 ppg, 9.4 rpg); Senior G Corey Saucillo (5-10, 18.3 ppg); Junior PG Koal Houchin (5-10, 15.2 ppg, 7.6 apg)
Notes: Idalou is in a familiar spot this time of year, looking for a fourth straight Region I-2A championship this weekend. The Wildcats have two players — seniors Alan Zahn and Seth Reagan — who will be participating in their fourth regional tournament. Zahn, Reagan and junior Koal Houchin were all members of Idalou's state title team in 2011. Coach Tyler Helms said the tradition of playing deep into the postseason is wearing off on each class of players he gets at the varsity level. "It makes a difference," Helms said. "Those younger guys that travel with us are able to see the process. That's one thing that has helped us out the last couple years. It helps make sure the moment doesn't get too big for them." ... The Wildcats lost three four-year starters from last year's squad, and some of the players on this year's team have been forced to step into more prominent roles. They've done so well enough to get back to the Chap Center for a fourth straight year. "It's been a lot of fun coaching these guys and gradually seeing them step into these new roles."

NO. 8 JIM NED INDIANS
Coach: Steve Bryant
District: 6-2A
Record: 28-6
Road to regionals: def. Alpine, 59-23, in bi-district; def. Breckenridge, 48-23, in area; def. Tornillo, 67-53, in regional quarterfinals.
Players to watch: Senior F Will Bryant (6-7 16 ppg, 10 rpg); Senior G Brady Leisener (6-2, 18 ppg); Senior P Jake Gleason (6-3, 8 ppg, 6 rpg); Senior G Austin Mays (6-0, 6 ppg, 6 apg)
Notes: Jim Ned has been eliminated in the Region I-2A championship game by Idalou in two out of the past three years in 2010 and 2012. This time around the Indians draw Idalou in the semifinals rather than the finals. "Well, we've lost to them in the Saturday game the last two times we were there so maybe the Friday game will make a difference," Jim Ned coach Steve Bryant joked. "We've played two good games with them." ... Jim Ned is making its sixth appearance at the regional tournament since it moved to Chaparral Center in 2005, which is more than any other team in the region. The Indians have played in the championship game four times and won the tournament twice in 2005 and 2008. "It's really important to us," Bryant said. "Getting to the regional tournament is our goal every year. We want to be playing in March. This senior class has been in the regional tournament three of the last four years. It's quite an accomplishment." ... The Indians feature eight seniors on the roster, including three four-year varsity members. Bryant hopes the size of his son Will Bryant, who is listed at 6-7, can frustrate the big presence of Idalou post Alan Zahn, who is 6-9.

Schedule

Region I-2A Tournament at Chaparral Center
Friday
Semifinals
Bushland (R1, 20-8) vs. Holliday (W8, 31-3), 6 p.m.
Idalou (W3, 31-3) vs. Tuscola Jim Ned (R6, 28-6), 7:30 p.m.
Saturday
Finals
Semifinal winners, 1 p.m.

Regional history

Boys Region I-2A Tournament history at Chaparral Center
2005
Semifinals
Lubbock Roosevelt (R5) 63, Mason (T2) 50
Jim Ned (W3) 53, Abernathy (W5) 47
Final
Jim Ned 52, Lubbock Roosevelt 51
(Jim Ned went on to be state runner-up.)
2006
Semifinals
Tahoka (R5) 68, Colorado City (W4) 54
Reagan County (R2) 64, Childress (R8) 62
Final
Tahoka 50, Reagan County 40
(Tahoka lost in state semifinals.)
2007
Semifinals
Abernathy (R3) 53, Ballinger (W6) 50, OT
Shallowater (W3) 60, Jim Ned (R6) 46
Final
Shallowater 56, Abernathy 50
(Shallowater went on to be state runner-up.)
2008
Semifinals
Floydada (R3) 62, Comfort (W8) 47
Jim Ned (R6) 79, Shallowater (T3) 69
Final
Jim Ned 65, Floydada 61
(Jim Ned went on to be state runner-up.)
2009
Semifinals
Shallowater (R3) 73, Clyde (W6) 59
Eastland (R8) 50, Bushland (W1) 40
Final
Shallowater 70, Eastland 55
(Shallowater lost in state semifinals.)
2010
Semifinals
Idalou (R3) 65, Eastland (W6) 42
Jim Ned (W7) 65, Littlefield (W3) 50
Final
Idalou 51, Jim Ned 44
(Idalou went on to be state runner-up.)
2011
Semifinals
Idalou (W2) 72, Hico (W6) 51
Muleshoe (R2) 46, Eastland (W5) 42
Final
Idalou 76, Muleshoe 47
(Idalou went to win state title.)
2012
Semifinals
Idalou (W2) 57, Dublin (W6) 42
Jim Ned (W7) 68, Childress (W1) 54
Final
Idalou 52, Jim Ned 49
(Idalou lost in state semifinals.)
2013
Semifinals
Bushland (R1) vs. Holliday (W8)
Idalou (W3) vs. Jim Ned (R6)

TOURNAMENT APPEARANCES

Jim Ned	6
Idalou	4
Eastland	3
Shallowater	3
Abernathy	2
Bushland	2
Childress	2
Ballinger	1
Colorado City	1
Comfort	1
Clyde	1
Dublin	1
Floydada	1
Hico	1
Holliday	1
Lubbock Roosevelt	1
Littlefield	1
Mason	1
Muleshoe	1
Reagan County	1
Tahoka	1

REGION

From 1C

The Wildcats beat the Indians 51-44 in the 2010 regional final and advanced to their first state tournament.

"We were very senior heavy in 2010," Jim Ned coach Steve Bryant recalled. "They were young, but they stepped up and they started playing really well at the right time."

Idalou also won the regional title the next season and went on to be the 2011 Class 2A state champions. The Wildcats once again returned to Midland for the regional tournament last season, and found Jim Ned awaiting for them in the championship game.

It came down to the wire, but in the end it was Idalou claiming its third consecutive regional championship with a 52-49 victory against the Indians.

"We played two really good games with them," Bryant said. "That one was for the taking last season. It came down to the wire. It's certainly turned into a friendly rivalry for us."

Naturally, being the regional favorite means each opponent is going to put up its best fight in order to pull off an upset. That holds even more true when playing in a regional tournament.

"We've gotten everybody's best shot all year," Idalou coach Tyler Helms said. "We've got the execute the stuff we've put on and continue to do what we're good at."

There are two current players — Seth Reagan and Alan Zahn — who were freshmen on the 2010 Idalou team that won the program's first regional title. And it's that experience that has Helms confident the Wildcats won't take their favorite status too seriously.

"I don't think it's ever easy," Helms said. "I know our guys know Jim Ned is always good, and that there are two other good teams at the tournament as well. We've got to show up to win it again and they know that."

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HANSARD

From 1C

in a Jan. 22 win against Monahans.

Yet there was Hansard flanking Franklin and Hollingsworth on the perimeter down the stretch against Fabens, joined by senior posts Kam Williams and Jody Lively — a lineup that seemed it would never get to play out its fate doing just that with the Rangers' season on the line in Fort Stockton.

Now, after holding off Fabens, the Rangers find themselves where they expected to be last year, in the Region I semifinals where they'll take on No. 8 Wichita Falls Hirschi at 8:30 p.m. today at United Spirit Arena in Lubbock.

And Greenwood (20-14) might not be there if it weren't for the return of Hansard.

"I hoped (Hansard would play), but I wasn't sure because he only had one practice," Hollingsworth said after the Fabens win. "but I'm glad he got to."

Just 18 days earlier, Hansard stood at midcourt dressed in khakis with a sweater pulled over his dress shirt, fighting back tears as he stood with his parents while the Greenwood announcer read his Senior Night speech saying he never imagined he'd watch his last home game from the sidelines.

It wasn't the only time not being able to play affected Hansard.

"It was hard," Hansard said. "I definitely lost it a couple of times before the games."

But Hansard kept faith in his teammates, who continued to jell in first-year coach Zach Boxell's newly installed offense.

The Rangers' maturation has been palpable in the postseason as they've gone from settling for 3-point shots in favor of crisp ball movement leading to drives or post-ups for Lively. Against Fabens, the Rangers attempted just eight 3-pointers compared to 31 that Senior Night in a double overtime win against Monahans.

And despite learning he'd been cleared for light shooting and practice the day before, Hansard fit right in over the final 9:20 against Fabens, helping contain red-hot Wildcat forward Patrick Zubia, and even knocking down both of his shot attempts during an 11-0 fourth-quarter run that gave the Rangers the lead for good.

"It just felt like he's been here the whole time," Hollingsworth said.

Added Boxell: "Once we put Kyle back in there, and he hadn't played, chemistry-wise it was still there. You never do know if it's going to take a while with him being out so long. But fortunately, he got out there and it seemed like he never missed a beat really."

Part of the reason is that to start the season it Franklin, Hollingsworth and Hansard carried the offensive load on a team depleted by graduation and still missing Williams and Lively from a deep playoff run in football.

Now, the chemistry they established is paying off with Hansard back and the Rangers playing as well as they have all season on both ends of the floor.

"It all goes back to that jelling," Franklin said. "We're starting to talk, communicate with each other better now."

And because of that, the Rangers are hoping their unexpected reunion lasts longer than just one game plus the final quarter against Fabens.

"It's kind of unbelievable. Last year, we thought we were going to go real far and it didn't happen for us," Hollingsworth said. "This year it's actually (happening). The dream's coming true.

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GREENWOOD VS. NO. 8 WICHITA FALLS HIRSCHI
When/where: 8:30 p.m. today, United Spirit Arena, Lubbock
Records: Greenwood 20-14, Hirschi 21-8
Last game: Greenwood 72, Fabens 69; Hirschi 70, Stephenville 45
Notes: Greenwood is playing in its first regional tournament since 2004, when the Rangers advanced all the way to the Class 3A state final before losing to Kountze. The Rangers meet a Hirschi team fresh off of an impressive 25-point win against No. 6 Stephenville in the regional quarterfinals. The Huskies have won 13 of their last 14 games dating back to the regular season, with the only loss coming in a practice game against El Paso Faith Christian before the playoffs. ... This is the fifth time Greenwood will play a state-ranked team this season after two meetings with No. 5 Abilene Wylie and a game against then-No. 21 Monahans in the regular season, plus an area-round matchup with No. 18 Perryton. The Rangers went 2-2 in those games after being swept by Wylie, losing by three in the first meeting, and defeating Monahans by 17 and Perryton by three. ... Greenwood coach Zach Boxell said Hirschi is an athletic team that plays man-to-man defense whether in the full or halfcourt. "They get down, and they're quick," Boxell said. "Then they've got some big kids down low that can rebound." ... Boxell said it will take a complete effort from his team to knock off Hirschi and that the Rangers can't afford to turn the ball over. ... The Huskies are led by 6-foot-4 senior Marcus Foster, who is averaging a team-high 27.1 points and 11.5 rebounds per game. ... Boxell said his team is happy to be in the regional tournament for the first time in nine years but that he is confident they can stay focused. "We told them, 'Y'all are making good memories, but right now, starting (Wednesday), let's treat it more as a business trip and work hard and try to go win a basketball game," Boxell said. "And whenever the season's over, even if it's a couple weeks down the road, we can look back and then enjoy what we did, but right now let's try not to let it get too much to our heads."
Next: Winner will play winner of No. 3 Kennedale-No. 5 Abilene Wylie in Class 3A Region I final, 8 p.m. Saturday, United Spirit Arena, Lubbock

Compiled by Jonathan Hull

GIRLS STATE TOURNEY ROUNDUP

CLASS 4A
DALLAS LINCOLN 64
ALEDO 44

AUSTIN — Alisha Washington scored 20 points and Dallas Lincoln held Aledo to just three field goals after the first quarter in rolling to a 64-44 win Thursday night in the Class 4A semifinals.

Lincoln (36-4) had to overcome a 10 of 42 shooting effort in the first half, but used tenacious defense to shut down just about everything Aledo tried to do. Aledo was just 9 of 38 shooting from the field.

GEORGETOWN 44
NORTHSIDE BRENNAN 30

AUSTIN — Kaitlin Walla scored 17 points and top-ranked Georgetown held Northside Brennan scoreless in the third quarter, cruising to a methodical 44-30 win Thursday night in the Class 4A state semifinals.

After a sluggish first half sent the teams into the lockerroom tied at 13, Georgetown put the game away by scoring 18 in the third quarter. Walla opened the quarter with a basket and Haley Frias made a 3-pointer to spark the big run.

CLASS 3A
MEXIA 50
KRUM 41

AUSTIN — Brechelle Beachum scored 16 points and Na'Teshia Owens scored 14 to lead Mexia past Krum 50-41 Thursday in the Class 3A girls' state semifinals.

Owens scored eight in the fourth quarter. Ariel Ballard added 10 points for Mexia (35-3), playing in its first start tournament.

KENNEDALE 87
SMITHVILLE 66

AUSTIN — Travanti Downes had 22 points and 12 rebounds and Kennedale rolled over Smithville 87-66 Thursday in the Class 3A state semifinals.

Autumnn Williams added 22 points for Kennedale (31-6), which fell just short of the 3A tournament record of most points scored (92) set by Buna in 1960, nearly 20 years before the girls' state tournament changed to a full-court format.

CLASS A DIVISION I
SMYER 40
TRIPLE A ACADEMY 36

AUSTIN — Kennedy Farr and Jordan Locke combined to score 38 points as Smyer (33-6) defeated Dallas Triple A Academy 40-36 in UIL Class A Division 1 girl's basketball state semifinal action at the Erwin Center.

MARTIN'S MILL 54
SNOOK 49

AUSTIN — Martin's Mill earned its fourth straight championship berth by beating Snook 54-49 in overtime in a UIL girls Class 1A Division 1 state basketball semifinal.

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HS BASKETBALL PAIRINGS

Girls

UIL Girls Basketball State Tournament
All games at Frank Erwin Center, Austin
Thursday's Scores
Class A Division I
Semifinals
Smyer (33-6) 40, Dallas Triple A Academy 36
Martin's Mill (33-5) 54, Snook 49
Class 3A
Semifinals
Mexia (35-3) 50, Krum 41
Kennedale (31-6) 87, Smithville 66
Class 4A
Semifinals
Dallas Lincoln (36-4) 64, Aledo 44
Georgetown (33-1) 44, Northside Brennan 30
Today's Games
Class 2A
Semifinals
8:30 a.m. — Brock (33-5) vs. Centerville (30-6)
10 a.m. — Merkel (37-1) vs. Poth (28-5)
Class A Division II
Semifinals
1:30 p.m. — Highland (31-4) vs. Saltillo (31-5)
7 p.m. — Whitharral (36-4) vs. Leakey (24-7)
Class 5A
Semifinals
3 p.m. — Duncanville (40-0) vs. League City Clear Springs (38-2)
8:30 p.m. — Pflugerville (38-0) vs. Cibolo Steele (32-5)
Saturday's Games
State Championships
8:30 a.m. — Class A Division I, Smyer (33-6) vs. Martin's Mill (33-5)
10 a.m. — Class 3A, Mexia (35-3) vs. Kennedale (31-6)
1:30 p.m. — Class 2A
3 p.m. — Class 4A, Dallas Lincoln (36-4) vs. Georgetown (33-4)
7 p.m. — Class A Division II
8:30 p.m. — Class 5A

Boys

Region I-5A Tournament at Wilkerson-Greines Activity Center, Fort Worth
Friday
Semifinals
Arlington Martin (R3, 28-7) vs. Killeen Ellison (W8, 30-6), 6 p.m.
North Crowley (W3, 29-7) vs. Lewisville Hebron (W5, 35-2), 8 p.m.
Saturday
Final
Semifinal winners, 1 p.m.

Class 4A
Region I-4A Tournament at The Coliseum, Snyder
Friday
Semifinals
Wolfforth Frenship (W4, 27-9) vs. Trophy Club Nelson (R5, 29-5), 4 p.m.
Amarillo High (W3, 21-11) vs. Fort Worth Arlington Heights (T7, 21-11), 6 p.m.
Saturday
Final
Semifinal winners, 2 p.m.

Class 3A
Region I
Region I-3A Tournament at United Spirit Arena, Lubbock
Friday
Semifinals
Abilene Wylie (W4, 31-4) vs. Kennedale (W6, 23-9), 7 p.m.
Greenwood (R4, 20-14) vs. Wichita Falls Hirschi (W5, 21-8), 8:30 p.m.
Saturday
Final
Semifinal winners, 8 p.m.

Class 2A
Region I
Region I-2A Tournament at Chaparral Center
Friday
Semifinals
Bushland (R1, 20-8) vs. Holliday (W8, 31-3), 6 p.m.
Idalou (W3, 31-3) vs. Tuscola Jim Ned (R6, 28-6), 7:30 p.m.
Saturday
Finals
Semifinal winners, 1 p.m.

Class A
Division I
Region I
Region I-A Tournament at Texan Dome, Levelland
Friday
Semifinals
Wellington (R3) vs. Smyer (W6), 6:30 p.m.
Clarendon (R2, 19-7) vs. El Paso Harmony (W7, 25-3), 8 p.m.
Saturday
Final
Semifinal winners, 3:30 p.m.

Class A
Division II
Region I
Region I-A Tournament at Texan Dome, Levelland
Friday
Semifinals
Whitharral (W4, 28-4) vs. Grady (W5, 26-6), 1 p.m.
Texline (W3, 25-6) vs. Petersburg (W5), 2:30 p.m.
Saturday
Final
Semifinal winners, 2 p.m.

Class A
Division II
Region II
Region II-A Tournament at Moody Coliseum, Abilene
Friday
Semifinals
Crowell (W10) vs. Water Valley (W14, 30-2), 5 p.m.
Throckmorton (W11) vs. Ira (W13, 26-3), 7 p.m.
Saturday
Final
Semifinal winners, 2 p.m.

HS BASKETBALL CAPSULE

Class A
Division II
Region I
Quarterfinals
NO. 8 GRADY VS. NO. 24 WHITHARRAL
When/where: 1 p.m. today, Texan Dome, Levelland
Records: Grady 26-6; Whitharral 20-4
Last game: Grady 71, Ropes 38; Whitharral 37, Nazareth 35, OT
Notes: Grady turned in another dominating performance in the regional quarterfinals, defeating Ropes by 33 points. The Wildcats have now won each of their playoff games by an average of 38.3 points per game. ... Grady is two wins away from its second straight state tournament appearance after reaching the state semifinals last season before losing to Graford. ... Whitharral, the District 4 champion, has played two fairly close games in the playoffs, defeating Kress by seven in the area round before surviving Nazareth by two in overtime in its last game. ... The winner of this game will meet either No. 7 Texline or Petersburg with a chance to go to state on the line.
Next: Winner will play No. 7 Texline-Petersburg winner in Class A, Division II Region I final, 2 p.m. Saturday, Texan Dome, Levelland.

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Competitive field brings intrigue to Midland Girls Invitational

By Len Hayward
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This time of year in high school golf is typically about teams trying to find the right line-ups and players for district tournaments later in the season.

This weekend, though, at the Midland Girls Invitational there will be plenty of eyes watching the medalist leaderboard, and team results can take a backseat.

Mixed among the 14 teams that will be taking the course this weekend are a number of West Texas', and in some cases the state's, best players, and a trio of Midlanders could be in contention for that top spot.

Defending medalist champion Libby Thomas will return, along with Lee's Ali Cowan, who is ranked among the top 30 girls junior players in the state by Golfweek magazine, and Midland Christian sophomore and defending TAPPS 4A medalist Christian Curnutte.

The Event

MIDLAND GIRLS INVITATIONAL

When: Today-Saturday
Where: Today, Green Tree Country Club; Saturday, Hogan Park Golf Course, Quail Course
Teams competing: Abilene High, Abilene Cooper, Abilene Wylie, El Paso Coronado, El Paso Eastwood, Lee (2 teams), Midland Christian, Midland Classical, Midland High (2 teams), Odessa High, Odessa Permian (2 teams), San Angelo Central
Note: Teams will be divided into two different divisions after today's first round


Thomas


Cowan


Curnutte

Throw in San Angelo Central's Kamryn Cummings, who qualified for the regional tournament by beating Thomas in a one-hole playoff at the District 3-5A tournament, and 2012 state qualifier El Past Eastwood, and there's plenty of talent on the course this weekend.

"I've seen every single one of us play really well on these courses, but I've also seen every one of us play not so well," said Thomas, who signed with Texas-San Antonio in the fall. "It's just who is on their game."

This weekend's tournament, though, is on two courses all three are familiar with and Thomas admitted there is some pressure because they are expected to do well.

"With me, it's that I'm too relaxed sometimes and I'm too confident," Thomas said. "It kind of makes me not consider a lot of the circumstances, like the wind ... I just make stupid mistakes. I'm not focused enough is the best way to put it."

Curnutte has already won two tournaments as she won the Blue Division at the San Angelo Invitational in early February and then won the State Preview hosted by Andrews on Feb. 9. Curnutte, though, pays little attention to who she will be playing against.

Curnutte said she avoids the names on the boards, and plays the course, but she said when she does pickup wins like she did in Austin and San Angelo it builds her confidence.

"I don't pay attention to who is playing and what their score is," Curnutte said. "It's me and the course, and I'm not there to beat the other girls, I'm there to beat the course. A win always builds up confidence."

Cowan finished second in San Angelo, and tied for third at the State Preview in Austin, while Thomas' best finish tied for fourth in San Angelo and sixth in Austin.

Cowan said she has only been the playing the courses in Midland on a regular basis for about a year, but doesn't feel that same pressure, and added that she really doesn't look at the past or the future and just focuses on the tournament round that day.

"I can be playing horrible the week before or the best, but then that makes no difference on tournament day," said Cowan, who has signed with Texas State. "I'm just ready for the team to bond more and grow, and whatever happens will happen."

Midland Girls Invitational at a glance

LOCAL LINEUPS
Lee I: Ali Cowan, Libby Thomas, Alexis Adkisson, Sara Pitts, Talyn Standard
Lee II: Emily White, Nicole Pitchford, Ryleigh Stump, Sophie Sutter, Taylor Winchell

Midland High I: Kathryn McGowan, Devan Crawford, Erica Frazier, Erin Roye, Mellissa Chiles
Midland High II: Amy Wood, Adrene Coats, Kim Molina, Hannah Cowley, Carline Grace
Midland Christian: Christian Curnutte, Madison Warpula, Sara Calvin (note, all will play as individual medalists)

2012 CHAMPIONS
Division I
Team: Andrews
Medalist: Libby Thomas, Lee
Division II
Team: Abilene High
Medalist: Lauren Langford, Abilene High

TODAY'S TEE TIMES
Green Tree Country Club
No. 1 (East)
8-8:30 a.m. — Midland High I, Odessa High, Odessa Permian I
8:37-9:07 a.m. — Lee I, San Angelo Central, Abilene Wylie, El Paso Coronado
9:15-9:45 a.m. — Abilene High, Abilene Cooper, El Paso Eastwood
No. 10 (West)
8-8:30 a.m. — Midland High II, Odessa Permian II, Lee II
8:37-8:52 a.m. — (Medalists) Midland Christian, Midland Classical, El Paso Eastwood, El Paso Coronado

Compiled by Len Hayward

Villegas takes lead with a late eagle at Honda

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. — With one bold swing, Camilo Villegas turned a solid round at the Honda Classic into his lowest start in more than a year.

Villegas drilled a 3-wood from 263 yards over the water to about 8 feet for an eagle on the par-5 18th hole at PGA National for a 6-under 64 that gave him a one-shot lead and another jolt of confidence as he tries to regain his status on the PGA Tour.

Branden Grace was bullish when it came to the "Bear's Trap" by making birdie on all three holes of the notorious stretch late on the back nine. He made it four in a row with a birdie on the 18th hole and was at 65 with Rickie Fowler, Graham DeLaet of Canada and Robert Streb.

Defending champion Rory McIlroy and Tiger Woods each opened with 70 and walked away feeling much differently about their day.

Woods played in the cool, cloudy morning and was in danger of a big number late in his round when he decided to take off his socks and shoes, don rain pants and step into a creek to play a shot half-submerged in the water. Instead of taking a drop that could have led to double bogey, he escaped with par and rallied for a 70.

"I wasn't trying to advance it very far, just make sure I got it back in the fairway and give myself some kind of wedge shot in there, which I did," Woods said.

McIlroy was 1 under for his day when his wedge from 105 yards sailed over the green, he chipped to just inside 8 feet and took bogey when he missed the putt. It felt even worse coming on the easiest hole at PGA National, which played about a half-shot below par.

"I only had 105 yards in for my third shot and ended up taking a 6," McIlroy said. "Wasn't the nicest way to finish. I saw enough pretty good golf out there to be positive going into the next few days."

Villegas will take just about anything positive at this stage in his career.

Just four years after his back-to-back wins in FedEx Cup playoff events and climbing to as high as No. 7 in the world, the 31-year-old Colombian went into a slump so bad that over the last 18 months he lost his card last year and didn't earn it back in Q-school. A popular draw, he has received ample sponsor exemptions to get through the year and can build a full schedule. But he was middle-of-the-pack in the Humana Challenge, and then missed the cut at Torrey Pines and Pebble Beach.

"This game is great when you're playing good," Villegas said. "When you're out here missing cuts and missing cuts, I don't care what people say. Yes, we're blessed to have this job, but it's not that much fun. ... The game was kicking my butt a little bit. That's a good way to put it. But I know who I am. I know I belong out here. I know how good I can be, and therefore, that's why you're just going to keep your head up and keep working."

It was his lowest round since a 63 to start the Humana Challenge a year ago.

Villegas won the Honda Classic in 2010 at PGA National, so he at least has that to build on. Despite the good start, he wasn't afraid to risk ruining the day on the last hole.

"My caddie said, 'Where are you going to go with the one,'" Villegas said. "And I said, 'I'm looking straight at that flag.' And I hit a great shot."

Grace, part of the core of young South Africans on the rise, played the Honda Classic for the first time, though he had heard plenty about the water and trouble on Nos. 15, 16 and 17 that was dubbed "Bear's Trap" in honor of course designer Jack Nicklaus. He saw it on TV and talked to Charl Schwartzel about it last week.

Independence Bowl becomes AdvoCare V100 Bowl

Associated Press

SHREVEPORT, La. — The Independence Bowl is changing its name to the AdvoCare V100 Bowl as part of a new sponsorship deal.

The Independence Bowl Foundation and AdvoCare, who announced the deal jointly on Thursday, say the agreement is aimed at rebranding the bowl and helping it grow into one of the top 10 in the nation.

AdvoCare President Richard Wright says the deal enhances marketing resources for the bowl, which will push for stronger matchups when its contracts with affiliated conferences expire after 2013.

Currently, the bowl game has the ninth pick after the BCS of SEC teams and the sixth pick of ACC teams.

The Independence Bowl name stems from the game's founding during the United States' bicentennial in 1976. AdvoCare has been its chief sponsor the past four seasons.

COMPETITION

From 1C

Still, it's never too early to know what kind of challenges your main competition offers.

"It's an opportunity for our team to get an idea of what our district is going to be like," Lee girls coach Mike Connelly said. "It lets us know where we need to end up by the time we get to the district meet."

Of course, seeing district mates compete so early should come with the disclaimer. "What you're seeing now, might not be what you're getting later."

"It's always good to see your district opponents but it's hard to gauge exactly what a team has right now," Midland High girls coach Tim Anuszkiewicz said. "Coaches have athletes playing other sports right now. You get a good idea, but you can't exactly say this is what you're going to see once district comes around."

Still, none of the Midland ISD coaches are upset with the thought of seeing district newcomer Lubbock Coronado this early.

"It's good to see who your competition is going to be," Connelly said. "I'm glad they're going to be there. It's good to see what they have and what our girls might need to work toward. It works out nicely because next week we get to see Amarillo Tascosa at the West Texas Relays (in Odessa)."

The meet also features Division II, which is made up of Midland Christian, Hereford, Lubbock Monterey and Lubbock Estacado. The boys field also includes El Paso Austin and El Paso Jefferson, while the girls also add El Paso Irvin.

And while it might be a small division, MCS coach Chris McKinney still feels the Mustangs and Lady Mustangs will get some strong competition out of the meet. In fact, McKinney says it's the best competition MCS has seen at the Tall City Invite in some time.

"A couple years ago it was really bad," McKinney said. "I asked to compete with the 5A division originally, but I'm all in with the addition of Monterey and the El Paso schools. This is a much more competitive division now. I only hope it continues to grow."

Division III is made up of mostly junior varsity squads, but several Class 2A and Class A schools are also competing, including Trinity, Iraan, Stanton, Forsan, Grady and Coahoma.

"We like coming to this meet because it is close for us and we are going to see some good competition out of it," Stanton coach Dan Arista said. "It will be good for us and a good experience for our young kids. There are good quality teams showing up here."

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Athletes to watch

Boys

CHRISTIAN FARRIS, TRINITY
Events: 3,200 meters, 1,600 meters
Reason to watch: While most of his teammates will compete in Division III, Farris always makes the move up to Division I to compete with the larger school athletes. And typically he fares pretty well, winning the 3,200 meters at last year's Tall City.

DEANDRE GOODLEY, MIDLAND HIGH
Events: 100 meters, 400 relay, 800 relay, Long jump
Reason to watch: Goodley opened the season with a gold medal in the 100 meters at the City Bank Tiger Relays in Wolfforth last week. He also placed fourth in the long jump.

TALOR NUNEZ, LEE
Events: 110 hurdles
Reason to watch: Nunez is a regional qualifier in the 110 hurdles, and started his senior year off with a gold medal in the event in New Braunfels last week.

MATT RAMIREZ, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN
Events: High jump, 110 hurdles, 300 hurdles, 1,600 relay
Reason to watch: Ramirez won four medals at last week's Comanche Relays in Fort Stockton, winning the 300 hurdles and high jump. He got silver in the 110 hurdles and as a member of the Mustangs' 1,600 relay team.

Girls

SHAY RAY, LEE
Events: 100 meters, Triple jump, Long jump, 400 relay, 800 relay
Reason to watch: Ray has established herself as the fastest girl in the district, having won two straight district titles in the 100 meters. She's looking to make sure she keeps her favorite status early in the year.

TORI RACKOW, LEE
Events: 200 meters, Triple jump, Long jump, 400 relay, 800 relay
Reason to watch: Rackow won five medals last week at the Unicorn Relays in New Braunfels and could duplicate that effort this weekend. This is her first year to run the 200 meters instead of the 100 meters after qualifying for region in the 100 a year ago.

BRIA LEWIS, MIDLAND HIGH
Event: 100 meters, 200 meters, 400 relay, 800 relay
Reason to watch: Lewis won a bronze medal in the 100 at the City Bank Tiger Relays in Wolfforth last week, and could turn out to be a threat to qualify for the regional tournament.

LINDSEY FRIESENHAHN, TRINITY
Events: 3,200 meters, 1,600 meters, 800 meters
Reason to watch: Friesenhahn was a regional qualifier for Lee last year, but transferred to Trinity and has already won a state title in cross-country. Her coach Cindy Brock feels she's capable of winning any race from the 400 meters to the 3,200 meters and could opt to compete in any of them. She will compete in Division I.

KAMI BERRYHILL, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN
Events: Pole vault, 100 hurdles, 400 relay, 800 relay, Long jump
Reason to watch: Berryhill keeps a full slate, but her best event is the pole vault. She's the defending TAPPS 4A state champion in the event, and might be the best girls vaulter at this weekend's meet regardless of division.

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Rogers Ford Lincoln Tall City Invitational
Today-Saturday
at Memorial Stadium

Each school listed is bringing a boys and girls team unless noted

Division I — Midland High, Lee, Lubbock Coronado, Odessa High, Odessa Permian, San Angelo Central

Division II — Midland Christian, Lubbock Estacado, Hereford, Lubbock Monterey, El Paso Austin (boys only), El Paso Jefferson (boys only), El Paso Irvin (girls only)

Division III — Trinity, Iraan, Stanton, Forsan, Grady, Coahoma, Midland High JV, Lee JV, Hereford JV, Odessa Permian JV, Odessa High JV, San Angelo Central JV, Lubbock Monterey JV, Midland Christian JV

Today's Schedule
Field Events

(Running order is Division I, Division II, Division III unless noted)

1 p.m. — Girls triple jump (south pit); Boys long jump (north pit; Division III-II-I); Boys high jump (north pit); Girls shot put (northwest ring); Boys discus (east of weight barn); Girls pole vault (south pit)

Running Preliminaries

(Running order is Division III girls, Division II girls, Division I girls, Division III boys, Division II boys, Division I boys. All running events are on a rolling schedule)

4 p.m. — 3,200 meters (Final)
400 relay (if needed)
800 meters (Top 16 to finals)
100 hurdles (girls only)
110 hurdles (boys only)
100 meters
800 relay (if needed)
400 meters
300 hurdles
200 meters
1,600 relay (if needed)

Saturday's Schedule
Field Events

(Running order is Division I, Division II, Division III unless noted)

10 a.m. — Girls long jump (north pit); Boys triple jump (south pit); Girls high jump (north pit, Division III-II-I); Girls discus (east of weight room); Boys shot put (northwest ring); Boys pole vault (south pit)

Running Events

(Running order is Division III girls, Division II girls, Division I girls, Division III boys, Division II boys, Division I boys)

1:30 p.m. — 400 relay
1:45 p.m. — 800 meters
2:05 p.m. — 100 hurdles (girls only)
2:20 p.m. — 110 hurdles (boys only)
2:35 p.m. — 100 meters
2:50 p.m. — 800 relay
3:05 p.m. — 400 meters
3:20 p.m. — 300 hurdles
3:35 p.m. — 200 meters
3:50 p.m. — 1,600 meters
4:30 p.m. — 1,600 relay

THURSDAY'S NBA ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

BULLS 93
76ERS 82

CHICAGO — Joakim Noah had 23 points, 21 rebounds and a career-high 11 blocks for his third career triple-double and the Chicago Bulls ended a two-game losing streak with a 93-82 victory over the Philadelphia 76ers on Thursday.

Carlos Boozer added 21 points and 12 rebounds while Kirk Hinrich and Luol Deng had 15 and 12 points, respectively, as the Bulls completed a three-game regular season series sweep.

Noah tied the Bulls record for blocks in a regulation game, previously set by Artis Gilmore in 1977.

Jrue Holiday paced the Sixers with 22 points, Spencer Hawes added 20 points and 15 rebounds while Evan Turner had 12 points.

The loss was Philadelphia's season-high seventh in a row.

CLIPPERS 99
PACERS 91

INDIANAPOLIS (AP) — Chris Paul scored 29 points, and Blake Griffin finished with 18 points and 14 rebounds to help Los Angeles hold off Indiana's late charge.

The Clippers have won three straight and seven of their past eight.

David West led the Pacers with 22 points, while All-Star Paul George had 20 points and five assists. Danny Granger finished with a season-high 12 points.



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TODAY: Mostly sunny — High: 60 Low: 30
SATURDAY: Sunny — High: 64 Low: 37
SUNDAY: Sunny — High: 75 Low: 51

Local forecast

Expect mostly sunny skies today with a high around 60 and west winds between 5 and 10 mph becoming northeast 15 to 25 mph in the afternoon. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 30 and north winds between 15 and 20 mph becoming light after midnight. Winds could gust as high as 25 mph.

Saturday, look for sunny skies with a high around 64, a low around 37 and west winds around 5 mph.

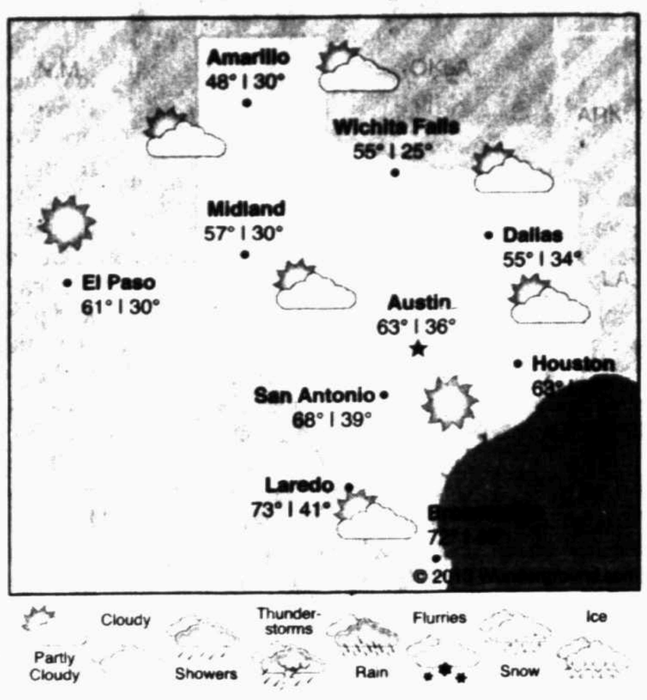
Sunday, the forecast calls for sunny skies with a high around 78 and a low around 51.

The high on Thursday reached 58 while the low dropped to 24. The record high for Feb 28 is 87 set in 1940. The record low is 14 set in 1962.

National forecast

Cold air will expand its reach over the eastern half of the nation, while warmth builds over the West today.

In the eastern half of the nation, a south dip in the jet stream will drive the cold. Snow showers will spread from the Ohio Valley and northern New England to the Appalachians as a result.



Precipitation

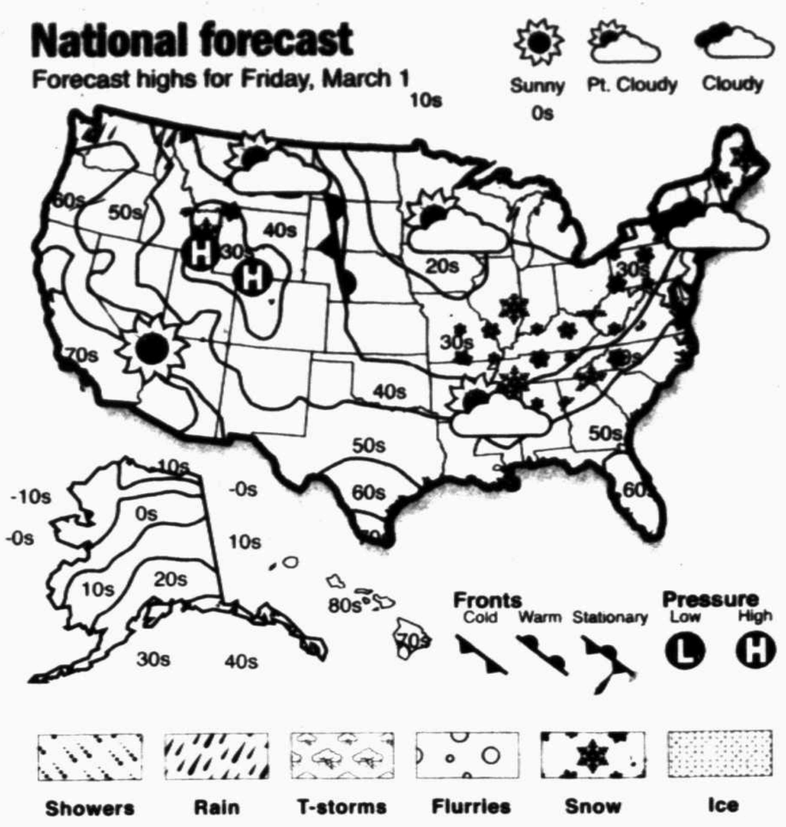
Wednesday	0.00 in.
Thursday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.08 in.
Year total	1.53 in.
Normal total (year to date)	1.27 in.

Thursday's temperatures

High	58
Low	24
Normal high	66
Normal low	38
Sunrise	7:16 a.m.
Sunset	6:47 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Friday, March 1



Son suspects Dad's death was an assisted suicide

DEAR ABBY



Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: I'm convinced my father's wife killed him, and I don't know where to turn. He had fought complications from quadruple bypass surgery for a few years and had been in hospice for months prior to his death. My siblings and I didn't put all the pieces together until afterward.

Although I'm sure Dad was killed, based on facts and discussions with social workers, I'm pretty sure it was assisted suicide, which is illegal in most states, including the state where he lived. I feel cheated and angry at my father's wife for not having the guts to talk to us about his plans and Dad for relying on her to tell us when she never had a good relationship with any of us. I'm also angry with myself for not stopping what I witnessed as it happened before my eyes. How could I have been so blind?

It has been several years now, and I still feel guilty for letting it happen, although I'm not sure how I could have stopped it. Your thoughts would be appreciated. — ANGRY SON IN GEORGIA

DEAR ANGRY SON: I'm sorry for your pain and anger, emotions that are not uncommon when a loved one dies. But for your own sake, accept that if your father had an advance health care directive, and trusted his wife to carry it out, then she was following his wishes. While today's medical interventions can prolong someone's life, they can also prolong death.

Hospice offers grief counseling for family members for a period of time after a death occurs, and you and your siblings should have received some. It would have helped you to stop blaming the wife, and let go of any negative feelings so you could go on with your life. And that, I assure you, is what your father would have wanted.

DEAR ABBY: My sister "Mary" was in a car accident when she was in her 20s that left her with some brain damage. She appears normal, but has trouble with interpersonal relations, boundaries and impulse control. Overall, her behavior varies from acceptable to belligerent. When she was evaluated by professionals years ago, our family was advised to set standards for her behavior as near to normal as possible.

When we go to restaurants, Mary has a hard time deciding what to order, often engaging the server in an uncomfortable, long conversation about the alternatives. When her meal arrives, she is rarely satisfied with her choice and makes a scene over her dissatisfaction to the server. If we try to intervene, she becomes even more belligerent.

She looks forward to going out and we love her dearly. We would hate to exclude her from these family outings, but we don't know what to do. Can you help? — IMPOSSIBLE TO DIGEST IN WASHINGTON STATE

DEAR IMPOSSIBLE TO DIGEST: Because you were told to "set standards" for your sister as near to normal as possible, that's what you should be doing. Before you take her out for a meal, explain to her what the ground rules are. If she acts out, do as you would with an unruly child and leave the restaurant until she regains control of herself.

Because of her impairment, she may need extra help with her menu choices. Luckily, many restaurants now post their menus online. If you print one out and go over it with Mary, you might be able to make the process of ordering easier for her. I can't promise it will work, but it's certainly worth a try.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

East-West vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ Q J 10 6
K Q J 8
Q J
♣ 10 8 5

WEST
♠ 7 2
6 4 3 2
10 7 6 5 4 3
♣ K

EAST
♠ K 9 8
7 5
9 2
♣ A Q J 7 4 2

SOUTH
♠ A 5 4 3
A 10 9
A K 8
♣ 9 6 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1NT	Pass	2♣	Dbl
2♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: ?

Here's another deal from "Thinking Bridge."

East's double of the Stayman response is lead-directing. It is also a penalty double. At this level it promises five or six clubs headed by three of the top five, or two of the three top honors. Lead-directing doubles at the four-level or higher (Blackwood responses, cue-bids) do not promise such extreme length in the suit, just strength: K Q x (x) or K J x (x) are just fine. After the double, South shows a four-card major if he has one. Lacking a major, South rebids two diamonds to deny a club stopper and passes to show a club stopper. South can also redouble to show four or five strong clubs (A J 10 x (x)). With a suitable hand, North can pass the redouble, leading to no end of excitement! After a lead-directing double, opening leads are no-brainers. Even with a void, the doubled suit should be led. East overtakes the king of clubs in case it is a singleton. Rule of Life no. 1: Do not signal partner encouragement if you can afford to overtake. After overtaking, East takes three clubs, but what about an encore? East can see 12 HCP in dummy to go along with at least 15 in declarer's hand, giving the bad guys 27 HCP minimum. This leaves the good guys with 13 HCP. East has 10 HCP, so the most West can have is 3 HCP and he has led the king of clubs! Guess how many HCP East has left!

Rule of Life no. 2: When there are no tricks coming from the side suits, think ruff-sluff. If East leads a fourth club and West uppercuts dummy with the seven of spades, driving out the 10, East's K 9 8 promotes to the setting trick.

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Friday, March 1, 2013:

This year no one can deny the fact that you are able to tackle a problem and work through it. When it comes to personal issues, you are able to look within yourself and find a solution. You will gain in different facets of your life because of your sense of responsibility. If you are single, someone quite different barrels into your life when you least expect it. If you are attached, as a couple, you might want to plan a trip away from your normal stomping grounds. In a new setting, you will be able to revitalize the strength of your bond. SCORPIO brings out your confident side.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ You become energized when dealing with a difficult associate or boss. The longer you choose to indulge him or her, the more difficult it will be to change the situation. A partner might take a stand, which could make this person even more irritating. Tonight: Avoid crowds.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ Others come forward and try once more to get you to agree with them. Granted, their approach might be totally different, but the result will be the same. Dig into your creativity when you decide to approach certain people about recent events. Tonight: Defer to someone else.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ You have a distinctive style that encourages others to head in a different direction. You know how to communicate your bottom line. You discover that you are unusually busy and might not have much time to have a discussion. Tonight: Join a co-worker.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★★ As you see someone change in front of your very eyes, you might wonder how to relate to this person now. Will the same style of communication be effective? Take your cues from the other party. Start thinking about a trip in the near future. Tonight: Let loose.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ You are coming from a more secure position. Understand that the pressure that is building is coming from a judgment you are making. Your creativity helps you work through some of the issues involved. You gain a better sense of your abilities. Tonight: Head on home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ Make a change, only if you consider it necessary. You will talk through this decision, and others seem to help you see how you can make this transformation easier. Give yourself the time and space to figure out which way might be best. Tonight: Visit with a friend over dinner.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ Don't go overboard handling an issue that might make you very uncomfortable. Understand the alternatives. Tap into different ideas to find a way to work through this problem. The solution might not be one that you would have imagined. Tonight: Your treat.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You see a certain liability approaching a matter as you have. Discuss how you feel with the other parties involved. An exchange of ideas could be full of surprises. Others tap into your creativity, and you might tap into their sensitivity. Tonight: Find a reason to celebrate.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ The less said, the better off you are. You might need to ask questions and do some research about a money "hunch." Your instincts are excellent at the moment, but someone could be deceptive. Keep your guard up. Tonight: Head home early, even if meeting friends.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You are more than aware of the potential of an offer or an idea. You might need to make a big adjustment or change if you head down that specific path. A friend could be rigid and not willing to negotiate. Tonight: Hang with your friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ You obviously know what you are doing by letting someone else take the lead. You could question excessive demands from a higher-up. Still, you know your role in this situation. If you opt to change your attitude, you might need to hang with a different group. Tonight: In the limelight.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You might want to head in a different direction. Pressure builds, and you could have difficulty doing what you want. In fact, you might not be able to visualize your desires. Refuse to make a commitment just yet; you will be on firmer ground soon. Tonight: Let go of today.

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BORN TODAY

Third Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court William Cushing (1732), film director Ron Howard (1954), singer Justin Bieber (1994)

DAILY CROSSWORD

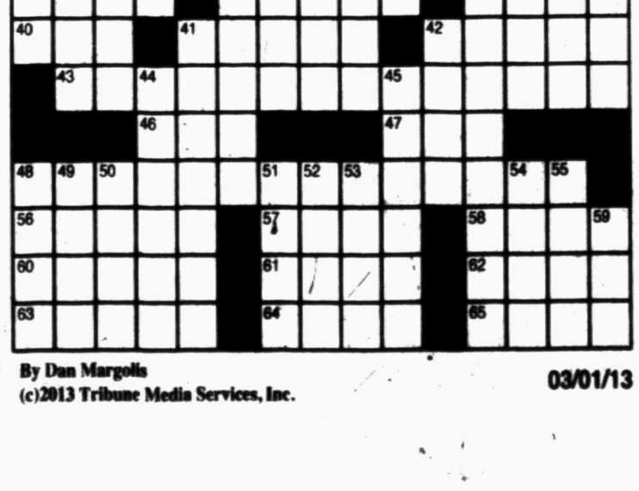
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5 Pipe part
9 Distinguished
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15 Trusted underling
16 Variety
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18 Dart
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23 Alliance led by Nasser: Abbr.
24 Overseas assent
25 "Block that kick!" and "Deefense!"?
33 It may be perfect
34 Pursue
35 MapQuest request: Abbr.
37 City near Presque Isle State Park
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39 Kind of a drag?
40 Delt neighbor
41 Hershey's competitor
42 Creature
43 Masked marathon runners?
46 Loser to DDE
47 Poetic period
48 Temporarily contribute helpers?
56 Sensory stimuli
57 "... a Loaf of Bread ..." poet
58 Got a load of
60 Principle
61 __ Valley: Reagan Library site
62 Fix, in a way
63 Head lock
64 Wallet fillers
65 Like some losers

DOWN
1 Welcoming sight?
2 "Stat!" cousin
3 Bust unit
4 "Naturally"
5 The Beach Boys' "Surfin' __"
6 Be a little cockeyed, maybe
7 Computer menu option
8 Dole
9 Bit-by-bit
10 Tarry
11 Knotted up, sportswise
12 Em, for one
13 Kennedy et al.
21 Charge with a time component
22 Like seven Ryan games
25 Increase, with "up"
26 Netanyahu's predecessor
27 Cold and ready
28 Explosive trial
29 Supper preceder
30 Chef's fowl
31 Commuting option
32 Hitch
36 Some Caltech grads: Abbr.
38 Fertile soil
39 Parsimony
41 Fowl options
42 Spanish tar
44 Inner circles
45 Game designed by Alexey Pajitnov
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49 River to the Fulda
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51 "Meh"
52 "Let's do it"
53 Word heard before and after old
54 Proof goof
55 Scorch
59 Salon job

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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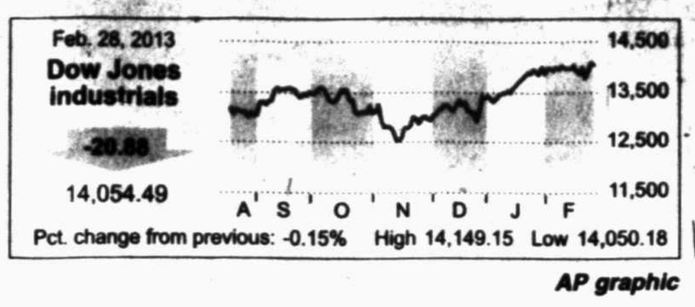
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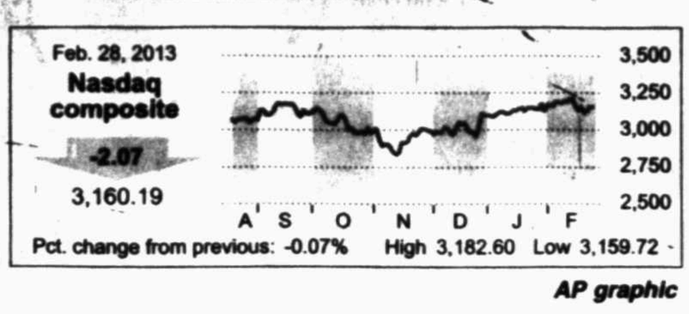
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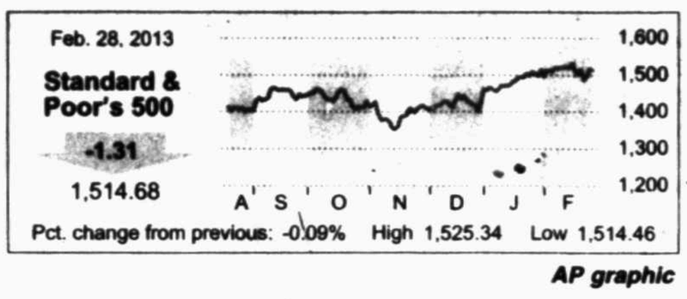
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Google clings to cash for acquisitions, says CFO

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Google plans to cling to its bulging stash of cash to pay for potential acquisitions and other technology investments that might boost future profits, a top executive said Thursday.

Patrick Pichette, who oversees Google Inc.'s bank accounts as the company's chief financial officer, explained the company's rationale for hoarding $48 billion in cash during a technology conference hosted by Morgan Stanley.

"It serves the shareholder best to actually have that strategic ability to pounce" when there is the opportunity to make a major acquisition, Pichette said.

Although he didn't identify possible takeover candidates for the future, Pichette cited Google's $12.4 billion acquisition of cellphone maker Motorola Mobility last year as a prime example of why the company believes it needs to have lots of money at its disposal. Although Motorola has been a financial drag on the company so far, Google believes having it will ultimately will help it put its digital services on more smartphones and tablet computers.

The money-management policies of publicly traded companies are getting more attention as more firms hoard huge amounts of cash instead of introducing or increasing dividends to reward stockholders.

Apple Inc., the world's most valuable company and a Google rival, is currently under the most scrutiny because it holds $137 billion in cash. One of Apple's shareholders, hedge fund manager David Einhorn of Greenlight Capital, is pressing Apple to create a new class of dividend-paying stock that would supplement the quarterly dividend of $2.65 per share that the company now pays. Apple CEO Tim Cook told shareholders Wednesday that the iPhone and iPad maker is in "very, very active discussions" about what to do with its money.

Google has never paid a dividend since the company went public in 2004. It hasn't yet faced intense pressure to distribute its cash, partly because its stock has delivered a nice return for long-term investors. The stock is currently hovering around $800, more than nine times its initial public offering price of $85.

Much of the company's success has flowed from the $11 billion Google has paid to buy 237 companies besides Motorola Mobility since its IPO. Some of them have been small deals, such as the ones that brought in the technology for its Android software for mobile devices and the technology for its online maps. Bigger acquisitions such as the $1.76 billion purchase of YouTube and the $2.3 billion purchase of DoubleClick have made Google more successful in Internet video and online advertising.

Google primarily bought Motorola for its portfolio of more than 17,000 patents. Its cellphone business has been slumping. Instead of helping Google boost its profit, Motorola has accumulated operating losses of $1.1 billion since the takeover was completed in May. Google has been trying to turn things around by laying off thousands of workers, shedding some operations and sharpening the focus on the development of the most promising products.

Oil prices end day lower

The price of oil fell Thursday, as investors sold off commodities with the stock market surging toward a record high.

Benchmark crude for April delivery fell 71 cents to finish at $92.05 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Brent crude, used to price many kinds of oil imported by U.S. refineries, fell 49 cents to end at $111.38 on the ICE Futures exchange In London.

Pump prices fell for only the third time in the last 41 days, and by just a trickle. The average for a gallon of gas slid to $3.782 a gallon from $3.786. The price is still 5 cents more than it was a year ago, and 42 cents higher than it was just a month earlier.

Wholesale gasoline rose half a cent to finish at $3.11 a gallon.

Heating oil fell 2 cents to end at $2.96 a gallon.

Natural gas rose 5 cents to finish at $3.48 per 1,000 cubic feet.

Euro falls

The euro fell to $1.3063 in late trading Thursday from $1.3129 late Wednesday.

The British pound rose to $1.5173 from $1.5153.

The dollar rose to 92.34 Japanese yen from 92.28 Japanese yen and to 0.9332 Swiss franc from 0.9310 Swiss franc and to 1.0299 Canadian dollar from 1.0233 Canadian dollar.

Gold for April delivery dropped $17.60 to $1,578.10 an ounce. The metal fell 4 percent in February, its biggest monthly decline in 10 months.

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	1366512	11.23	-.07
S&P500ETF	1088631	151.61	-.30
SPDR Fncl	616316	17.59	-.03
BariPVix rs	540191	23.97	+.70
NokiaCp	504483	3.65	-.12

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Aeroflex	9.25	+1.03	+12.5
CmwREIT	25.25	+2.74	+12.2
AlldsResd n	19.04	+1.63	+9.4
GMX Rs rs	2.41	+.20	+9.0
XinyuanRE	5.47	+.45	+9.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Penney	17.57	-3.59	-17.0
TlcmArg	12.29	-2.20	-15.2
YPF Soc	12.60	-2.11	-14.3
NortelInv	12.47	-1.72	-12.1
GraniteC	31.09	-4.08	-11.6

DIARY

Advanced	1,546
Declined	1,479
Unchanged	129
Total issues	3,154
New Highs	221
New Lows	28
Volume	3,689,026,692

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Rentech	79235	2.73	+.10
CherwereEn	29664	21.30	-.27
GranTrra g	28473	6.00	+.01
NwGold g	23257	8.81	+.06
NA Pall g	19558	1.48	-.10

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
InstFnMkts	2.75	+1.09	+65.7
TrioTch	2.31	+.16	+7.4
GasFld	3.74	+.23	+6.6
FAB Unv	3.50	+.17	+5.1
InvCapHld	3.66	+.16	+4.6

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ImpacMtg	11.30	-3.87	-25.5
Crexendo	2.73	-.27	-8.9
MexcoEn	5.42	-.39	-6.7
AlldNevG	18.30	-1.25	-6.4
TelInstEl	3.22	-.22	-6.4

DIARY

Advanced	180
Declined	243
Unchanged	40
Total issues	463
New Highs	8
New Lows	12
Volume	69,980,901

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
SiriusXM	991760	3.11	+.03
Groupon	856537	4.53	-1.45
Facebook n	713306	27.25	+.38
Zynga	443936	3.38	-.14
MicronT	436585	8.38	+.20

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
WrlsRon rs	4.28	+2.23	+108.8
ChinaEdu	8.36	+1.97	+30.8
ChinaHGS	5.08	+1.03	+25.4
FtSecG rsh	2.97	+.45	+17.7
FaroTech	42.35	+6.35	+17.6

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
BroadSoft	21.00	-9.91	-32.1
ProcessN	11.70	-5.10	-30.4
Groupon	4.53	-1.45	-24.3
Repros wtA	11.27	-3.03	-21.2
BoulderBr	8.52	-1.11	-11.5

DIARY

Advanced	1,197
Declined	1,241
Unchanged	118
Total issues	2,556
New Highs	104
New Lows	19
Volume	1,902,898,965

Struggling Groupon ousts CEO

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Struggling online deals pioneer Groupon has fired its quirky founder and CEO Andrew Mason amid worries that people are tiring of the online restaurant, spa and Botox deals that Groupon built its business on.

In a refreshingly candid memo to staff, Mason said Groupon's employees "deserve the outside world to give you a second chance. I'm getting in the way of that.' A fresh CEO earns you that chance."

Shares jumped more than 4 percent in extended trading following Thursday's announcement. Executive Chairman Eric Lefkofsky and Vice Chairman Ted Leonsis were appointed to the Office of the Chief Executive while a replacement is found.

Mason made no qualms about what had happened.

"I've decided that I'd like to spend more time with my family. Just kidding — I was fired today," Mason, 32, wrote. "If you're wondering why, you haven't been paying attention."

He referred to controversy over the accounting practices used in regulatory filings ahead of Groupon Inc.'s November 2011 initial public offering of stock, as well as "two quarters of missing our own expectations and a stock price that's hovering around one quarter of our listing price."

"The events of the last year and a half speak for themselves," he wrote. "As CEO, I am accountable."

The announcement came one day after Groupon reported a bigger-than-expected loss and gave a weak revenue outlook for the current quarter. The guidance had fueled investor worry that people are suffering from fatigue over the frequent emails flooding subscribers' inboxes. There were also worries that the company's efforts to broaden into an e-commerce powerhouse haven't been paying off.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $39.69 Down 0.27

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $89.96 Up 0.46

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $30.90 Up 0.10

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $22.71 Up 1.75

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $26.38 Up 0.21

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $5.42 Down 0.39

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $17.46 Down 0.23

Ring Energy (RNGE)
Closing Price $6.90 Unchanged

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.80f	29	35.91	+.06	+6.5
AbtLab s	.56	9	33.79	-.47	+7.8
Abraxas	...	...	**2.06**	**+.06**	**-5.9**
AdamsEx	**.67e**	...	**11.35**	**+.07**	**+7.2**
Alcoa	.12	47	8.52	-.02	-1.8
AlonUSA	.16	33	19.49	-.25	+7.7
Altria	1.76	16	33.55	-.52	+6.7
ACapAgy	5.00	11	31.71	-1.08	+9.7
AmIntlGrp	...	26	38.01	+.24	+7.7
Amgen	**1.88f**	**17**	**91.55**	**+.52**	**+6.2**
Anadarko	**.36**	**17**	**79.58**	**-.46**	**+7.1**
Annaly	2.05e	9	15.49	+.18	+10.3
Apache	**.80f**	**15**	**74.27**	**+.11**	**-5.4**
ApldMatl	**.36**	...	**13.71**	**-.04**	**+19.8**
ArmourRsd	.96m	8	6.69	+.05	+3.4
ATMOS	**1.40**	**15**	**38.17**	**+.15**	**+8.7**
AutoData	1.74	21	61.36	-.23	+7.8
BP PLC	**2.16f**	**6**	**40.40**	**-.29**	**-3.0**
BabsCCInv	1.20a	...	16.30	-.05	+6.7
BakrHu	.60	15	44.82	-.40	+9.7
BkofAm	.04	43	11.23	-.07	-3.3
BariPVix rs	...	...	23.97	+.70	-24.6
BasicEnSv	...	20	14.63	+.36	+28.2
BerkHa A	**...**	**1915260**	**0.00**	**+684.00**	**+13.8**
BerryPet	**.32**	...	**45.77**	**+.55**	**+36.4**
BlkElkCp	**1.52f**	**17**	**41.59**	**+.03**	**+14.4**
BostonSci	...	...	7.39	+.06	+29.0
BrMySq	**1.40f**	**32**	**36.97**	**-.13**	**+14.7**
BrownFA s	**1.02a**	**26**	**67.10**	**+.33**	**+9.1**
BrownFB s	**1.02a**	**25**	**65.62**	**+.04**	**+3.7**
CVS Care	.90f	17	51.12	-.04	+5.7
CblvsnNY	.60	16	13.99	-1.48	-6.4
Cameron	...	21	63.72	-.51	+12.9
Caterpillar	**2.08**	**11**	**92.37**	**+.12**	**+3.1**
Celestic g	...	15	8.13	**-.07**	**-2**
Cemex	**.32t**	...	10.74	**+.09**	**+8.8**
CntryLink	**2.16m**	**28**	**34.67**	**+.16**	**-11.4**
ChesEng	**.35**	...	**20.16**	**+.02**	**+21.3**
Chevron	**3.60**	**9**	**117.16**	**+.60**	**+8.3**
Chicos	**.22f**	**16**	**16.98**	**+.57**	**-8.0**
Cimarex	**.56f**	**16**	**67.31**	**-.79**	**+16.8**
CindiBell	...	...	3.25	+.02	-40.7
Cisco	**.56**	**12**	**20.86**	**-.04**	**+6.1**
Citigroup	**.04**	**13**	**41.97**	**-.19**	**+6.1**
ClayEng	**...**	**14**	**39.69**	**-.27**	**-.8**
CocaCola s	**1.12f**	**20**	**38.72**	**+.27**	**+6.8**
ColgPal	**2.48**	**22**	**114.43**	**-.03**	**+9.5**
CmwREIT	1.00	45	25.25	+2.74	+59.4
ConAgra	**1.00**	**22**	**34.11**	**+.02**	**+15.6**
ConchoRes	**...**	**22**	**89.96**	**+.46**	**+11.7**
ConocPhil	**s2.64**	**10**	**57.95**	**-.09**	**-.1**
CrackerB	2.00	16	75.28	-.19	+17.1
CSVelIVSt	...	...	20.13	-.60	+21.3
CrosTim	**2.21e**	**11**	**28.43**	**-.57**	**+5.6**
DCP Mid	2.78f	39	40.63	-1.66	-2.7
DTE	2.48	19	66.80	+.54	+11.2
Dataram h	...	...	.38	...	+14.8
Dawson	**...**	**23**	**30.90**	**+.10**	**+17.1**
Dell Inc	.32	10	13.95	+.03	+37.6
DevonE	**.80**	...	**54.26**	**+.12**	**+4.3**
DirSCBear	...	...	10.67	-.03	-21.0
Disney	**.75f**	**18**	**54.59**	**+.11**	**+9.6**
DowChm	**1.28**	**45**	**31.72**	**-.09**	**-1.9**
EMC Cp	...	19	23.01	-.27	-9.1
EOG Res	**.75f**	**60**	**125.71**	**-1.21**	**+4.1**
EmpDist	**1.00**	**16**	**21.41**	**+.07**	**+5.1**
Energen	.58f	15	46.24	+.03	+2.6
EngyTsfr	3.58	11	47.91	-.12	+11.6
EnPro	...	**21**	**46.53**	**+.15**	**+13.8**
EnPrPt	2.64f	22	56.67	+.27	+13.2
Ericsson	.43e	...	12.21	-.20	+20.9
ExtterraH	**...**	...	**25.23**	**+.51**	**+15.1**
ExxonMbl	**2.28**	**9**	**89.55**	**+.02**	**+3.5**
Facebook n	...	...	27.25	+.38	+2.4
FordM	.40f	9	12.61	-.15	-2.6
ForestOil	...	14	5.80	-.19	-13.3
FrozenFd h	**...**	...	**1.70**	**+.08**	**+81.0**
GATX	**1.24f**	**20**	**49.85**	**-.47**	**+15.1**
GabltlulT	**.60**	...	**8.72**	**+.03**	**+11.1**
GAInv	**2.00a**	...	**30.28**	**+.04**	**+8.8**
GamEtec	**.76**	**18**	**23.22.**	**-.15**	**+10.6**
GlPlainEn	**.97**	**17**	**21.63**	**+.14**	**+7.5**
Groupon	...	...	4.53	-1.45	-6.8
HalconRes	...	...	7.10	-.06	+2.6
Halliblrtn	**.50f**	**15**	**41.51**	**+.24**	**+19.7**
Heinz	**2.06**	**24**	**72.43**	**-.08**	**+25.6**
HewlettP	**.53**	...	**20.14**	**+.37**	**+41.3**
ISIJapn	**.19e**	...	**10.21**	**+.04**	**+4.7**
iShChina25	.94e	...	38.95	+.48	-3.7
iShEMkts	.74e	...	43.21	-.21	-2.6
iS Eafe	1.76e	...	58.22	-.07	+2.4
iShR2K	1.69e	...	90.48	+.17	+7.3
IntegrysE	2.72	18	56.57	+.19	+8.3
Intel	**.90**	**10**	**20.88**	**-.05**	**+1.3**
InterDig	.40a	7	44.40	-.99	+8.1
JPMorgCh	1.20	9	48.92	-.36	+12.0
Jefferies	.30	18	21.72	+.09	+17.0
JohnJn	**2.44**	**20**	**76.11**	**-.21**	**+8.6**
KimbClk	**3.24f**	**21**	**94.28**	**-.91**	**+11.7**
KindME	5.16f	...	87.31	+.17	+9.4
KindMM	5.16t	...	82.83	+.26	+9.8
LegacyRes	2.28f	18	26.38	+.21	+10.8
LeucNatl	.25b	8	26.90	+.17	+16.2
Lowes	.64	23	38.15	+.44	+7.4
Lubys	**...**	**31**	**8.14**	**+.02**	**+21.7**
MGIC	...	...	2.98	+.18	+12.0
MktVGold	.46e	...	37.40	-.86	-19.4
McDnlds	3.06	18	95.90	+.17	+8.7
Merck	1.72	20	42.73	-.24	+4.4
MeritMed	**...**	**26**	**11.92**	**+.05**	**-14.2**
MexcoEn	...	...	5.42	-.39	-15.8
MicronT	...	...	8.38	+.20	+32.1
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Mondelez	.52	32	27.64	+.07	+8.6
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NokiaCp	...	...	3.65	-.12	-7.6
NvMAd	**.86e**	...	**15.23**	**+.05**	**+.1**
NvPMB	**.88**	...	**14.98**	**-.01**	**+.4**
NuvPI	**.85**	...	**15.02**	...	**+.3**
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NTXDI	**.73**	...	**16.09**	...	**+1.0**
Nvidia	.30	14	12.66	+.06	+3.3
OcciPet	**2.86f**	**15**	**82.33**	**+.10**	**+7.5**
OfficeDpt	...	...	4.03	...	+22.9
Oracle	.24	16	34.24	-.44	+2.8
PerTech	**...**	**15**	**4.58**	**-.01**	**-6.5**
PerkDrl	**...**	**15**	**4.76**	**-.06**	**+3.5**
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Smucker	2.08	20	95.30	+.18	+10.5
SprintNex	...	...	5.80	-.06	+2.3
SPDR Fncl	.26e	...	17.59	-.03	+7.3
SunocoLog	2.18f	15	62.53	+.37	+25.7
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TylerTech	...	**56**	**56.40**	**-.13**	**+16.4**
UBWV	**1.24**	**17**	**26.00**	**+.09**	**+6.8**
Valle SA	1.15e	...	18.99	+.46	-9.4
ValeroE	.80f	12	45.59	-.40	+33.6
VangEmg	.99e	...	43.51	-.22	-2.3
VerizonCm	2.06	...	46.53	+.18	+7.5
VulcanM	**.04**	...	**50.93**	**-.17**	**-2.2**
WalMart	1.88f	14	70.78	-.88	+3.7
Walgrn	**1.10**	**18**	**40.94**	**-.23**	**+10.6**
WellsFargo	1.00f	10	35.08	-.05	+2.6
WstnRefin	.48f	24	35.89	+.80	+27.3
WhitingPet	...	13	48.70	-.46	+12.3
WmsCos	1.36f	25	34.71	+.36	+6.0
XcelEngy	**1.08**	**15**	**28.70**	**+.15**	**+7.5**
Xerox	**.23f**	**9**	**8.11**	**-.07**	**+18.9**
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Berkman singles, scores twice in Texas debut

Associated Press

SURPRISE, Ariz. — Lance Berkman knows he has rust. He's not sure how much.

Berkman singled, walked and scored two runs in his Rangers' spring training debut, a 10-0 win over the Cleveland Indians on Thursday that gave Texas its first exhibition victory this year after an 0-5 start.

Limited to 32 games last year with St. Louis and coming off a pair of knee operations, Berkman was held out of the first six exhibition games because of a strained right calf.

"I'm about where you would expect after having not played last year and just having one game," he said. "I saw the ball well. My timing is obviously not there yet. It was good to get the first one out of the way. Hopefully, I'll get into a rhythm of playing, the timing will come and everything will stay togeth-er and I'll be in good shape going into the season."

A six-time All-Star, Berkman had just 81 at-bats last season.

"It's the least number of at-bats I've had my entire life," Berkman said. "And probably half of those were under duress and I didn't have my legs under me. If two weeks from now I still feel like this, I'll say, yeah, there is more rust that needs to come off. It's not unusual to feel a little behind and trying to catch up to the fastball. The game is fast. You need your nervous system to kind of get acclimated to it."

Berkman isn't worried about his run production.

"Obviously at some point you're not going to have it," he said. "I don't think that happens at 37 necessarily. I certainly don't feel like I did when I was 25 or 26. That doesn't mean I can't be competitive and be the same kind of hitter. I'm not that worried about it."

Winner Derek Holland, in his last start before joining the U.S. for the World Baseball Classic, allowed three hits, struck out two and walked none in four innings.

"My main focus is always being with Texas," Holland said. "This is a temporary leave. I get to represent the country, something you dream about. At the same time, you've got to remember I'm playing for Texas at all times."

Jeff Baker had three of the Rangers' 18 hits, and Jurickson Profar hit a two-run triple in the second inning.

In his second outing for the Indians, Daisuke Matsuzaka gave up a two-run homer to Mitch Moreland. Dice-K, Cleveland's third pitcher, allowed four hits in two innings.

An 18-game winner in 2008 with Boston who had elbow surgery in 2011, Matsuzaka signed a minor league contract on Feb. 13 with the Indians and is competing for one of two vacancies in the rotation.

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Cowboys restructure 5 contracts for cap space

By Tom Orsborn
San Antonio Express-News

The Dallas Cowboys are under the projected 2013 salary cap of $121-$122 million after restructuring the contracts of five players, the team announced on its web site Thursday.

Wide receiver Miles Austin, cornerback Brandon Carr, center Ryan Cook, defensive end/linebacker DeMarcus Ware and tight end Jason Witten renegotiated their deals. The restructuring of the five-year, $50.1 million contract Carr signed last year in free agency produced the biggest savings ($11 million).

The Cowboys began the week roughly $20 million over the salary cap. The deadline to get under the cap was March 12, the start of free agency.

In another personnel move, the Cowboys signed long snapper L.P. LaDouceur to a five-year deal.

Boxer Chavez Jr. suspended, fined over drug test

By Michelle Rindels
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — The Nevada State Athletic Commission has fined and suspended boxer Julio Cesar Chavez Jr. over a failed drug test last year.

The 27-year-old Mexican fighter tested positive for marijuana in September after his first professional loss. Chavez (46-1-1) was suspended Thursday for nine months and fined $900,000, which amounts to 30 percent of his $3 million purse for the fight against Sergio Martinez.

The commission could have banned him for one year and penalized him for up to 100 percent of his purse.

At a meeting in January, commissioners questioned why Chavez had not yet returned to Nevada for disciplinary action. Attorney Donald Campbell said the former middleweight champion had been stuck in Mexico, unable to obtain a visa.

Livestrong exec: Armstrong wasn't asked to leave

Associated Press

CHICAGO — An executive vice president of a cancer charity founded by Lance Armstrong says the cyclist wasn't formally asked to resign after admitting the use of performance-enhancing drugs.

Andy Miller told The Associated Press on Thursday it wasn't clear there was even a provision in Livestrong's bylaws to ask the founder to leave.

Armstrong resigned as chairman in October shortly after a report detailed his use of the banned drugs.

Armstrong told Oprah Winfrey earlier this year he wasn't "told to leave" but was aware of "pressure."

Miller says the board was abuzz over the scandal at the time and that may have given Armstrong a sense of being pressured.

But Miller says, "It ultimately had to be his decision."

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No. 8 Lady Vols outlast No. 13 Texas A&M

By Steve Megargee
Associated Press

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KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Kamiko Williams scored a career-high 18 points in the final regular-season home game of her career Thursday and No. 8 Tennessee defeated No. 13 Texas A&M 82-72 to clinch its 17th Southeastern Conference regular-season title outright.

Tennessee (23-5, 14-1 SEC) already had wrapped up a share of its 17th SEC regular-season crown Sunday, but this victory clinched sole possession of first place in the SEC and guaranteed them the No. 1 seed in the conference tournament that begins Wednesday in Duluth, Ga.

Tennessee, a perennial conference favorite, wasn't expected to win the SEC title this season in the first year of the post-Pat Summitt era.

Summitt, who led the Lady Vols to eight national titles and 18 Final Fours in 38 seasons, stepped down last April after announcing in 2011 that she had early-onset dementia, Alzheimer's type. She remains on staff as head coach emeritus.

The Lady Vols also didn't return a single player who started an NCAA tournament game last year in their run to a regional final.

The SEC coaches predicted Tennessee would finish fifth in the league. Tennessee was fourth in the preseason media poll, the first time the Lady Vols were picked to finish below third since that poll started in 1990-91.

Yet the Lady Vols won consistently all season by having one of the highest-scoring teams in the country. The Lady Vols relied on that formula again Thursday with a balanced attack.

Cierra Burdick added 15 points and 14 rebounds for Tennessee. Meighan Simmons scored 17 points, Bashaara Graves had 14 points and Isabelle Harrison added 10 points. Williams had seven rebounds to go along with her 18 points.

This represented the final regular-season home game for Williams and Taber Spani, who exchanged high-fives with fans in the front row of seats as the Lady Vols cut the nets to celebrate their title.

Both seniors were honored before the game with their families in a ceremony that included Spani's brother-in-law, 2012 Heisman Trophy finalist and former Kansas State quarterback Collin Klein.

Adrienne Pratcher scored 20 points, Kelsey Bone had 14 points, Courtney Williams added 13 points and Courtney Walker had 12 for Texas A&M (21-8, 11-4). The Aggies lost for the third time in their past four games.

Tennessee and Texas A&M have spent the season battling for the SEC lead with No. 10 Kentucky, so it came as no surprise that Thursday's game went back and forth.

The first half had six ties and seven lead changes, with neither team up by more than five points.

Simmons scored seven points and stole an in-bounds pass during a 9-0 run late in the first half that allowed the Lady Vols to turn a 30-25 deficit into a 34-30 advantage.

Texas A&M's Karla Gilbert ended the spurt by making a layup with 37 seconds left, but Kamiko Williams made a 3-pointer with five seconds remaining to give Tennessee a 37-32 halftime lead.

The game stayed tight in the second half.

Tennessee built an eight-point lead at 53-45 with 12:43 left, only to watch the Aggies score five straight points over the next 37 seconds on Pratcher's 3-pointer and Bone's layup.

That's when Graves went to work. Graves scored the first five points in a 7-0 run that gave the Lady Vols a 12-point lead, the first double-digit advantage by either team.

Just when it appeared Tennessee was about to take control, Pratcher brought the Aggies back.

Pratcher made two 3-pointers and a pair of jumpers to score all 10 Texas A&M points during a 10-1 run that cut Tennessee's lead to 67-64 with 7:01 left.

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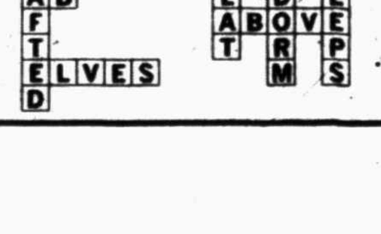
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To ensure the integrity of our newspaper, for the benefit of our readers and advertisers, the Midland Reporter-Telegram reserves the right to revise, reclassify, edit or refuse any advertising. We also reserve the right to convert all advertising into digital and/or print formats within our other products and services.

Please check your ad the first day it appears, and, if you find a mistake, please call our office at 682-6222 so we can correct the error immediately. This will ensure that your ad is exactly what you want readers to see. If an error does occur, you can choose to rerun your ad once for free, or we'll gladly refund the cost of the portion of the ad affected by the error. If an ad is inadvertently omitted, we will assume liability up to the cost of the ad itself – consequently, we will publish your ad in our next available edition or refund the price you have paid.

Rate charges are determined at the time of placement. All ads accepted are subject to credit approval. Some classifications require payment in advance. Credit applications are required for business accounts.

We welcome suggestions or comments. Please call: Jeri Houston, Advertising Sales Manager, 687-8894.





HAPPY ADS

Surprise your child, parent, or special friend with a Happy Ad!

Happy Birthday! Congratulations! Welcome Home! Graduation Day!

We'll help you design something unique and publish it in the Midland Reporter-Telegram Classifieds...whatever the occasion!

Publish a special memorial to mark the passing of a loved one with an "In Memory Of" ad. Include a poem, prayer, and/or the names of all who care. Also, express your appreciation to everyone who brought food, sent flowers, or was there for you when you needed them most with a "Card of Thanks." We'll help you design a respectful, thoughtful ad.

Ads containing art or photos need to be in our office 2 working days before the ad is to be published and we ask that you pay in advance.

DEADLINES:

WORD ADS:

PUBLISHES ON:	DEADLINE IS:
Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri	5p.m. Prior Day
Saturday	12p.m. Friday
Sunday	5p.m. Friday
Monday	5p.m. Friday

DISPLAY ADS:

PUBLISHES ON:	DEADLINE IS:
Wednesday	3p.m. Monday
Thursday	3p.m. Tuesday
Friday, Saturday	3p.m. Wednesday
Sunday, Monday	3p.m. Thursday
Tuesday	3p.m. Friday

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Events and Notices

In A Hurry? E-Mail Your Ad Today! It's Quick & Easy mrtclassified@mrt.com

Lost & Found

FOUND: 2 adolescent chocolate labs (one boy and one girl) with blue and pink collars / no tags. Found near Midland Drive on the night of the 25th. Please call 806-543-5701

FOUND 2 Boxers near Midland Dr & Thomason. Call 432-694-7568 to identify.

FOUND DOG 2/22 on Lavaco Ave. Blonde Chihuahua female 432-813-8299

FOUND ON 226 Border Collie mix 432-694-4766

LOST FEMALE Maine Coon cat named Cinderella on 2/18, declawed, shots, chipped, long-haired, lost around 4500 Robin Ln. Call 349-1947

REWARD: LOST MALE Pug. Vicinity of Humble and Godfrey. Last seen Monday 25th. No tags. Call 432-262-0207, 432-599-0915, 413-0026.



ROCKY WAS lost out in Greenwood on Saturday the 16th of Feburary. He is a male liver and white Springer Spaniel. Please call Allen- 806-292-1850 if you spot him.

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Meetings

Masonic Lodges

Communications
1600 W. Wall
432-853-1273
Stated Meetings
Acacia Lodge #1414
1st & 3rd Tues. @ 7:30pm
Midland Lodge #623
2nd & 4th Thurs. 7:30pm
Centennial Lodge #1448
1st & 3rd Sat. 8:30am
Did you know Harry S. Truman was a Master Mason?

Fax Your Ad 682-6999

Personals

LIVE IN SITTER. Must be over 18, up to $927 per month + car. 713.538.8635 or email lm11076@yahoo.com

LOOKING FOR someone to take over 1BD 1BA Townhome at Northridge Court. Ready for move in today! Deposit $400, lease currently on month to month. If interested please call 889-0635. Thanks!

Business Opportunity

NEED MARKET research participants to evaluate local establishments. Apply F R E E Shop! BestMark.com or call 800-969-8477



Autos For Sale or Lease

Passenger Cars

BMW 2001 X5. 140K miles, heated seats, leather, moon roof, etc. $6,750 call 432-288-2188 for more info

BMW 2004 530. garaged, 110k miles, leather, good condition $14,000. Call 432-684-6406



Business Center

Business Opportunity

Booth rentals available for hair salon. Call 432-889-3432

Need Help Selling Your Vehicle Call the Classified Dept. 682-6222 to place ad

Passenger Cars

CADILLAC 2008 CTS V6 DI Performance Sedan. Luxury Package new tires navigation leather sunroof all extras. Excellent condition. Premium crystal red with cashmere interior. 51K miles. Below Blue Book at $25,000. Call 432-553-9688

CHEVROLET 2001 Cavalier standard transmission grandpa's baby. $3,000. 432-631-3596

CHEVROLET 2009 HHR. 72,000 miles asking $11,000 OBO. BMW 1100 Motorcycle $3800. 432-661-4951

CHRYSLER 2007 300C. 5.7 Hemi. We finance. B&B Auto Sales 432-683-6222

LINCOLN 2000 Towncar. Signature, one owner, black on black in excellent condition. 51K miles, new tires, beautiful car must see to appreciate. $6,499. 432-699-0638 or 432-553-0313

MERCEDES 1996 C-Class. 4 door, 4 cyl, cold air, good tires, gold with tan. Runs great. $4,487 cash OBO. 405-823-2624 and/or 432-699-0604 day.

MERCEDES 2005 C230. $9,800. super clean, great gas mileage. 432-559-8758.

MERCEDES BENZ 2008 C350. Black, Saks 5th Ave Edition, 52k mi. Very clean. 1 owner. $22,000 obo. 432-254-5747

MERCEDES-BENZ 2008 C350. non-smoker. 75k miles, sweet ride. $18,000. 325-895-0444

MERCURY 2001 Grand Marquis LS. V8, 4 door Sedan, in excellent condition. Leather interior, lots of new upgrades plus HITCH & all new A.C. Well maintained with all maintenance records. Must see. $6,200. O.B.O. Call 432-563-0675.

MITSUBISHI 2007 Eclipse, 52k miles, auto. We finance. B&B Auto. 432-683-6222

NISSAN 2004 Altima 3.5L V6 SE. Good Condition, Well Maintained by One Owner (service records available). 124,000 miles. $6,900.00. Phone 432-638-0890

OLDS 1995 88. Blue, 4 dr. only 126K. $2,000. 218-9941

PONTIAC 1999 Firebird, V6, auto, 76k miles. B&B Auto Sales 432-683-6222

TOYOTA 2002 Avalon 126,000 miles, V-6 auto, runs great, great gas mileage, leather seats, sunroof, all power, good solid car. Asking $5500.00 432-631-9182

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Passenger Cars

FORD 2003 Thunderbird 007. Limited edition #69 out of #700, power soft top & hard top, leather, 53k miles, $25,000. OBO. Call 432-978-7946

FORD 2005 Mustang yellow w/black stripe, 88,900 miles, well maintained engine, good tires and brakes. Auto Transmission, electric windows, CD player, am/fm. $7,500. Serious inquiries call 889-6249

FORD 2006 Mustang GT V8 auto. We finance. B&B Auto Sales 432-683-6222

HONDA 2008 Civic, 94k miles, 2 door. We finance. B&B Auto Sales 432-683-6222

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TOYOTA 2006 Camry XLE. White V6 leather moon roof. 57k miles. Excellent condition. Asking $16,900. obo. Call 432-559-4039 or 432-559-1436

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2006 Volvo C70
Sky Blue/Ivory Hard-Top Convertible. Heated Seats. 35k miles

2007 BMW X5
Gray Metallic/Black AWD, Premium, Cold Wthr, SAT, 3rd Row, Panoroof. 75k miles

2008 BMW 750Li
Black/Saddle. Warranty, Luxury, DVD, NAV, SAT. 69k miles

2009 BMW 328i
White/Tan. Certified, Sunroof, Premium Pkg, Bluetooth. 49k miles

2009 Lexus ES350
Gray/Tan. Pebble Beach Ed. SAT, Camera, NAV, Roof, AC/Htd Seats. 38k miles

2010 BMW 750Li
Black/Black, Only 7k miles! Roof, Massage, NAV, Htd/AC Seats, Shades, Driver Asst. Pkg.

2010 BMW 3 3.0
Black/Black. Certified, Cold Wthr Pkg, Panoroof, Premium Pkg. 28k miles

2010 Ford F-150 Lariat
Black/Tan, 4x2, Leather, Trailer Pkg, Htd/AC Seats, Tow Thru, 21k miles

2011 Mercedes GL550
White/Dark Brown, 4 Matic, AMG Pkg, V8, SunRoof, Nav, Htd Seats. 58k miles

2012 BMW X3 2.8
White/Beige. AWD, SAT, Nav, Panoroof, Xenon, Third Pkg., Cold Pkg.

2012 Volvo XC70
White/Ivory, V6, Roof, Htd Seats, SAT, Leather, Brand New. 4500 miles

Real Wheel Deals! only $35 w/Photo. Call for Information 432-682-6222

Legal & Public Notices

Notice of PUBLIC SALE

Notice is hereby given that Metro Self Storage Midland will sell the contents of the storage units listed below at a public auction to satisfy a landlord's lien (pursuant to Chapter 59 of the Texas Statutes - Property Code). The sale will take place at 315 N. Midland Dr., Midland, Texas 79703 on March 25, 2013 at 9:00am. The sale will be conducted by Legacy Auction Services LLC (#16850) on behalf of the facility's management. Contents will be sold for cash only to the highest bidder. A 10% buyers premium will be charged. All sales are final. Seller reserves the right to withdraw the property at any time before the sale or to refuse any bids. No one under the age of 16 years old is permitted. The property to be sold is described as "general household items" unless otherwise noted. Property includes the storage unit contents belonging to the following tenants:

URV1 RA Jones - 1978 Dodge Ram Vin # A10BF8S299263
H006 Ricky D. Hobbs - Recliner, Tool Box, & Misc.
G006 David Diaz - Mattress and Box Spring
K001 Pamela S. Perez - Dresser, Couch, & Misc.
G002 Diana Swinney - Piano, Bed, & Misc.
S011 Andrew Thorns - Couch, Bed & Misc.
U006 Christine J. Burns - Couch, Pictures, & Misc.
Y04 Julio Armando Reyes - End Tables, Couch Tables, & Misc.
N013 Fernando Espino-Ortiz - Mattress, Loveseat, & Misc.

Legal & Public Notices

The Permian Basin Workforce Development Board FY 2013-2018 Strategic and Operational Plan Under the Workforce Investment Act

The Permian Basin Workforce Development Board (PBWDB) issues this public notice announcing the availability of its proposed Fiscal Years 2013-2018 Strategic and Operational Plan for public comment. PBWDB is responsible for the implementation of workforce development programs throughout the Permian Basin workforce area, which includes Andrews, Borden, Crane, Dawson, Ector, Gaines, Glasscock, Howard, Loving, Martin, Midland, Pecos, Reeves, Terrell, Upton, Ward, and Winkler counties.

The public comment period begins Friday, March 1, 2013 and ends Saturday, March 30, 2013. The public may access the proposed Plan Monday - Friday, 8:00 - 12:00 am and 1:00 - 5:00 pm at the PBWDB office located at 2911 La Force Blvd, Midland, TX or at www.workforcepb.org. Written comments may be emailed to info@workforcepb.org or mailed to PBWDB PO Box 61947 Midland, TX 79711.

The deadline to received comments is 5:00 pm, Saturday March 30, 2013. All public comments will be included in the PBWDB FY 2013-2018 Strategic and Operational Plan submitted to the Texas Workforce Commission.

PBWDB is an equal opportunity organization with Equal Opportunity programs. Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request for individual with disabilities. TDD 1-800-735-2989 and TYY 1-800-735-2988.

Legal & Public Notices

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED REVISIONS TO 30 TAC CHAPTER 106

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (commission) will conduct a public hearing to receive testimony regarding proposed revisions to 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 106, Permits By Rule, §106.359, under the requirements of Texas Government Code, Chapter 2001, Subchapter B.

The proposed rulemaking would add a new permit by rule §106.359, to authorize emissions from planned maintenance, startup, and shutdown (MSS) activities at oil and gas handling and production facilities. The proposed PBR requires that the permit holder keep records, develop and implement a maintenance program, and use best management practices to minimize emissions from planned MSS activities.

The commission will hold a public hearing on this proposal in Austin, on April 4, 2013, at 2:00 p.m., in Building E, Room 201S, at the commission's central office, located at 12100 Park 35 Circle. The hearing is structured for the receipt of oral or written comments by interested persons. Individuals may present oral statements when called upon in order of registration. Open discussion will not be permitted during the hearing; however, commission staff members will be available to discuss the proposal 30 minutes prior to the hearing.

Persons who have special communication or other accommodation needs who are planning to attend the hearing should contact Sandy Wong, Office of Legal Services at (512) 239-1802. Requests should be made as far in advance as possible.

Written comments may be submitted to Bruce McAnally, MC 205, Office of Legal Services, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, Texas 78711-3087, or faxed to (512) 239-4808. Electronic comments may be submitted at: http://www5.tceq.texas.gov/rules/ecomments/. File size restrictions may apply to comments being submitted via the eComments system. All comments should reference Rule Project Number 2012-030-106-AI. The comment period closes April 15, 2013. Copies of the proposed rulemaking can be obtained from the commission's Web site at http://www.tceq.texas.gov/nav/rules/propose_adopt.html. For further information, please contact Tasha Burns, Air Permits Division, (512) 239-5868.

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE FOR BIDS

The School Land Board, the Boards for Lease of the Texas Parks & Wildlife Dept. and the Texas Dept. of Criminal Justice, and the General Land Office (GLO) will hold a sealed bid Oil, Gas, and Other Minerals Lease Sale at the General Land Office in Austin, Texas on April 2, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. For a list of lands call (512) 475-1512, write to Mineral Leasing, Rm. 840, 1700 N. Congress, Austin, Texas 78701, or visit www.glo.texas.gov

Legal & Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Proposals will be accepted by the County Purchasing Agent, located in Room 130 of the County Courthouse Annex, 2110 N. "A" Street, Midland, Texas 79705 until 3:00 P.M., Local Time, April 18th, 2013. The proposals will be opened and acknowledged at 9:30 A.M., Local Time, April 19th, 2013.

Generally, the Commissioners Court selection will be made within 30 days. Interested parties are invited to attend the proposal acknowledgment and the Commissioners Court meeting.

RFP 13MCO490 - Midland County Pavilion at the Horseshoe Arena

Midland County reserves the right to reject any or all of the responses, to waive all formalities, and to withdraw the RFP at any time.

Information may be obtained from the County Purchasing Agent's Office 432-688-4871 or pur101@co.midland.tx.us

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT & PUBLISHING

DO YOU LOVE EDITING COPY?

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Are you upbeat, energetic and ready to make a difference in a bustling community that drinks up local news like a glass of ice-cold sweet tea on a hot summer day? Then apply for our available copy editor position at the Reporter-Telegram.

We're looking for smart, creative people to work with us at our newspaper who want to flex their creative muscles and join our team to make the best daily possible. The position requires copy editing and page design experience, a strong knowledge of Associated Press style, attention to detail and the ability to not buckle under pressure.

A degree in journalism, English, communications or a related field is preferred. Sports knowledge is a plus because Midland loves its high school and college sports. Recent and soon-to-be college graduates are encouraged to apply.

If you think you've got what it takes, then email your résumé, design samples and references to News Editor Trevor Hawes at thawes@mrt.com. Hard copy submissions can be mailed to Midland Reporter-Telegram, Attn.: Trevor Hawes, 201 E. Illinois Ave., Midland, TX 79701. Call 432-687-8854 after 4 p.m. to learn more.

BANKING & MORTGAGE

Internal Auditor

Lea County State Bank FT

Independent Community Bank in Hobbs, NM is seeking an experienced INTERNAL AUDITOR. The qualified individual will be responsible for the performance of internal audits and examinations of all the various functional areas and departments of the bank and its affiliates. Six to seven years previous bank auditing or CPA firm auditing preferred. CIA, CBA, CISA, OR CPA license is desired. A thorough knowledge of accounting & auditing standards and internal control concepts along with extensive knowledge of bank laws and regulations is preferable. Send resume in confidence to Lea County State Bank, Attn: Human Resources, 1001 N Turner Hobbs, NM 88240 or fax to 575-397-6693.

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

Administrative Assistant

Quinn Pumps-Midland, TX 79706 FT

Seeking Administrative Asst. Experience Preferred. Must be Familiar with Word, Excel for Windows. Email resume to qp24@quinnpumps.com OR come In to apply at: 3611 East Hwy 158, Midland, TX. 79706

Business Office Coordinator

Texas Surgical Center FT

Ambulatory surgery center is offering an exciting opportunity as an **Business Office Coordinator**. Candidate must have previous hospital or physician medical office experience. Position will require cross training in scheduling, accounts payable, admissions, payroll & insurance verification. Benefits include medical, dental, and vision health coverage, 7 paid holidays, 401K, and profit sharing.

Send resume to:
TEXAS SURGICAL CENTER
5609 DEAUVILLE BLVD
MIDLAND, TX 79706
FAX: 409-699-8110

CONSTRUCTION & FACILITIES

Carpenters & Laborers

Campbell Construction Co. FT

Campbell Construction Company seeking **Carpenters and Laborers.**
Pre-employment drug test required
Good Benefits Salary DOE
Apply at 241-A Spring Park Drive, Midland or send resume to
PO Box 11293, Midland, TX 79702 or fax to (432) 683-5943

Superintendent

wdg Construction Group, Inc. FT

Responsibilities include daily jobsite activity and reports for the project and subcontractor coordination. Ensures all jobsite communications are relayed to the project manager to ensure client expectations are met. They will be on site daily to facilitate the on time, within budget completion of the project. Contact is ahartman@wdgcg.com

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Office Assistant

Office Assistant needed must have general computer skills. Monday-Friday 9am-6pm with valid Driver License, please apply at WTAB 3239 Franklin Ave, Midland, TX 79701. No Phone Calls Please!!!

EDUCATION & TRAINING

CHILD CARE TEACHERS

Mrs. Irene's Child Care FT/PT

Child Care Teachers needed. Above average wages for Full and Part-time positions. Call **432-520-8888.**

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Multiple Positions

TitanLiner, Inc, a growing Oilfield Service Company is looking to hire in New Mexico, West TX, and South TX. Pay based on experience in General Construction, Coating, Painting, & Leadership Skills. Interested candidates please contact Jeremy Smith at **432-270-6562**.

Operators

BreitBurn Energy FT

BreitBurn Energy, an independent oil and gas company focused on acquisition, exploitation, and development of oil and gas properties, is looking for talented people to join its expanding Team. We are looking for experienced Operators with 5+ years experience. All positions are located 30 miles northeast of Midland.

All interested candidates, please send your resume to the Human Resources Department at HR@breitburn.com or at 515 S. Flower Street, Suite 4800, Los Angeles, CA 90071.

To learn more about BreitBurn, please visit www.BreitBurn.com

HEALTHCARE

Drug Testing Clerk

American Medical Group FT

Full-Time drug testing clerk. Experienced preferred, but willing to train & certify. Please apply in person at 4519 N Garfield Ste 14 in Midland or send resume to ygranger@amgnm.com

Medical Assistant

Busy Dr.'s office looking for FT experienced Receptionist, Medical Assistant & Insurance Verification. Fax resume to: 432-522-2950.

SAFE PLACE
of the Permian Basin

Our mission is to break the cycle of family violence by empowering individuals to make safe and healthy choices through awareness, advocacy, counseling, and shelter, while promoting hope, healing, and dignity.

SHELTER SUPPORT STAFF

Responsibilities include reception duties involving crisis and other community calls, housekeeping, scheduling, and assisting clients and transportation. Must be 25 years old with a clean driving record and a high school diploma or GED. Part-time up to 34 hours weekly for shifts: 7-3, 3-11, and 11-7.

Please contact Shawna or Vera at 432-570-1465 or email your resume to shogan@safeplacenow.com.

Providers/Caregivers & CNA's

St. Joseph's Home Health Inc. FT

St. Joseph's Home Health Inc is currently hiring English and Spanish speaking Providers/Caregivers & CNA's in Midland, TX. Please call: 432-684-5858.

Providers

Interim Home Health PT

Interim Home Health is searching for Providers in the Midland area to provide care for the elderly and disabled. Please call 432-617-0252 and speak with Hilda. EOE

Receptionist

West Texas Urology FT

Receptionist needed for busy multi-physician office. Duties include: high volume telephones, posting charges and receiving payments. Send resume to: 2706 West Cuthbert Bldg C, Midland TX 79701.

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HEALTHCARE

RN

Interim Home Health FT
Midland, TX 79701

Growing home health program is seeking Full-time RN. Experience preferred. GENEROUS SIGN-ON BONUS & excellent benefits. Apply in person at 1031 Andrews Hwy, Ste. 200 or fax resume 432-618-0307.

RN

Interim Home Health FT
Midland, TX 79701

Growing hospice program is seeking RN Full-time & PRN. Experience preferred. Apply in person at 1031 Andrews Hwy, Ste. 200 or fax resume 432-618-0307.

RN & LVN

Seeking RN/LVN only for a busy family practice office. Experienced in lab draws, EKGs, injections, lab reporting, medications and general patient care. Multi-tasking is a must. Resumes may be faxed to 432-699-6012 or bring to 4214 Andrews Hwy #306 - Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus.

Sitters / CNA's

Nurses Unlimited, Inc. FT

Nurses Unlimited, Inc. seeking experienced Sitters/CNA's to work for private duty clients. Hourly rate. All shifts available.Call 522-5080 or 1-800-201-5904. EOE

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

All Positions

Holiday Inn Express FT

Now hiring All positions. Will train the right person. Serious inquiries only. Previous applicants need not apply. Apply in person only. No phone calls. Competitive pay.

All Positions

New SpringHill Suites by Marriott now accepting resumes for the following positions: Front desk, bar tenders, maintenance, and housekeeping. Please email resumes to the following email address: careers@insigniamgmt.com or fax resume to 432-699-0979 or apply in person to 4410 N Midkiff Rd. Suite D 212, Midland, TX. 79705

Front Desk Clerks and Housekeeping Staff

Travel Lodge FT/PT

Seeking Front-Desk Clerks & Housekeeping Staff to upkeep a hotel, candidate to have references upon past/current work.
Apply at: 2500 Commerce Dr, Midland, TX.

Immediate Openings

Plaza Inn Midland has immediate openings for:
• Room Attendants
Please apply in person to Midland Plaza Inn
4108 N. Big Spring St., Midland, TX. 79705

INSTALLATION & MAINTENANCE

Groundskeeper

B H Management is NOW HIRING a Groundskeeper for The Dakota Apartments. Great pay and Benefits! Apartment Discount! Apply online at www.bhmanagement.com or in person at 5101 North "A" Street, Midland, TX 79705. EOE

INTERNET

WANTED VB.NET/ASP.NET PROGRAMMER

Required skills and experience: 1+ years experience in developing, testing, deploying and documenting windows database applications with VB.NET or ASP.NET. Please send resume to **kwatkins@autodril.com** or contact Kristie at **(432)561-8455**.

MANAGEMENT & EXECUTIVE

Part-Time Relief Manager

Now hiring for a part time relief manager at a Storage facility in Midland and Odessa. Individuals must be able to perform office duties; filing, answering phone, greeting customers, as well as light maintenance on property such as removal of weeds, sweeping units, picking up trash on property. Pay is $10-$11/hour. Email resumes to texaswide.midland@gmail.com

OTHER JOBS

Be a part of Midland's best car wash!

SoftSuds is now holding onsite interviews for all positions for our current location at 4300 W. Wadley and our new location at 3510 N. Big Spring St. Apply in person at 4300 W. Wadley Midland, TX 79707. (432)694-5300

Delivery Driver

Carter's Furniture FT
2101 W Wadley #6 **Midland, TX 79705**

Delivery driver needed full-time. Must have good driving record, be able to pass drug testing & heavy lifting required. Apply in person.

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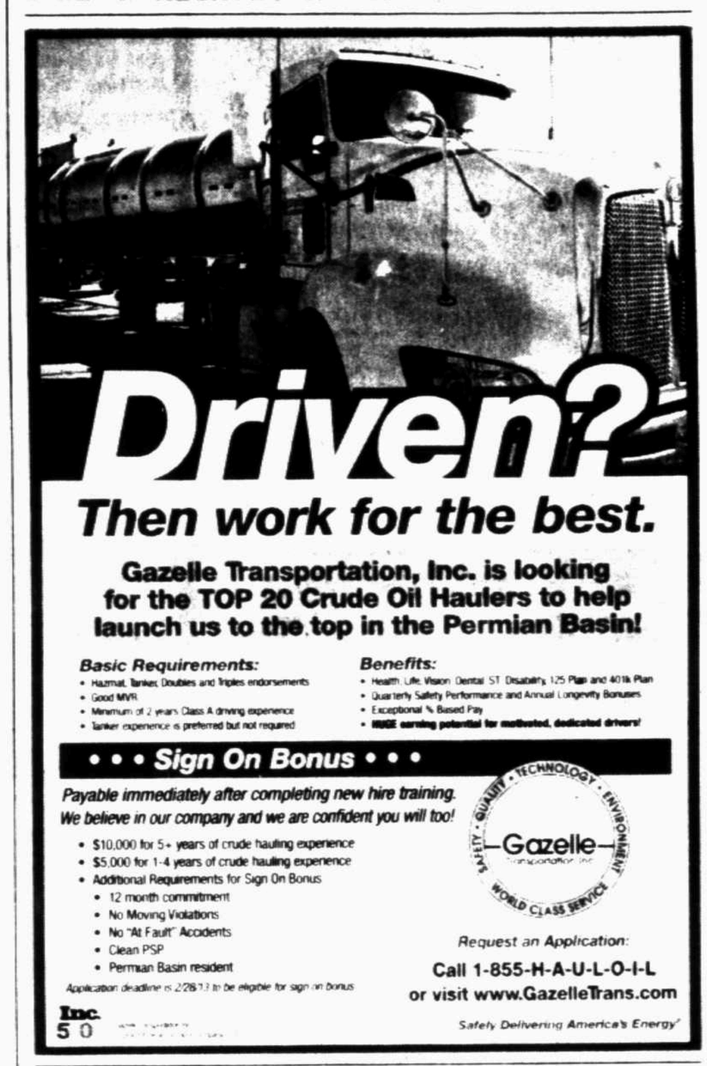
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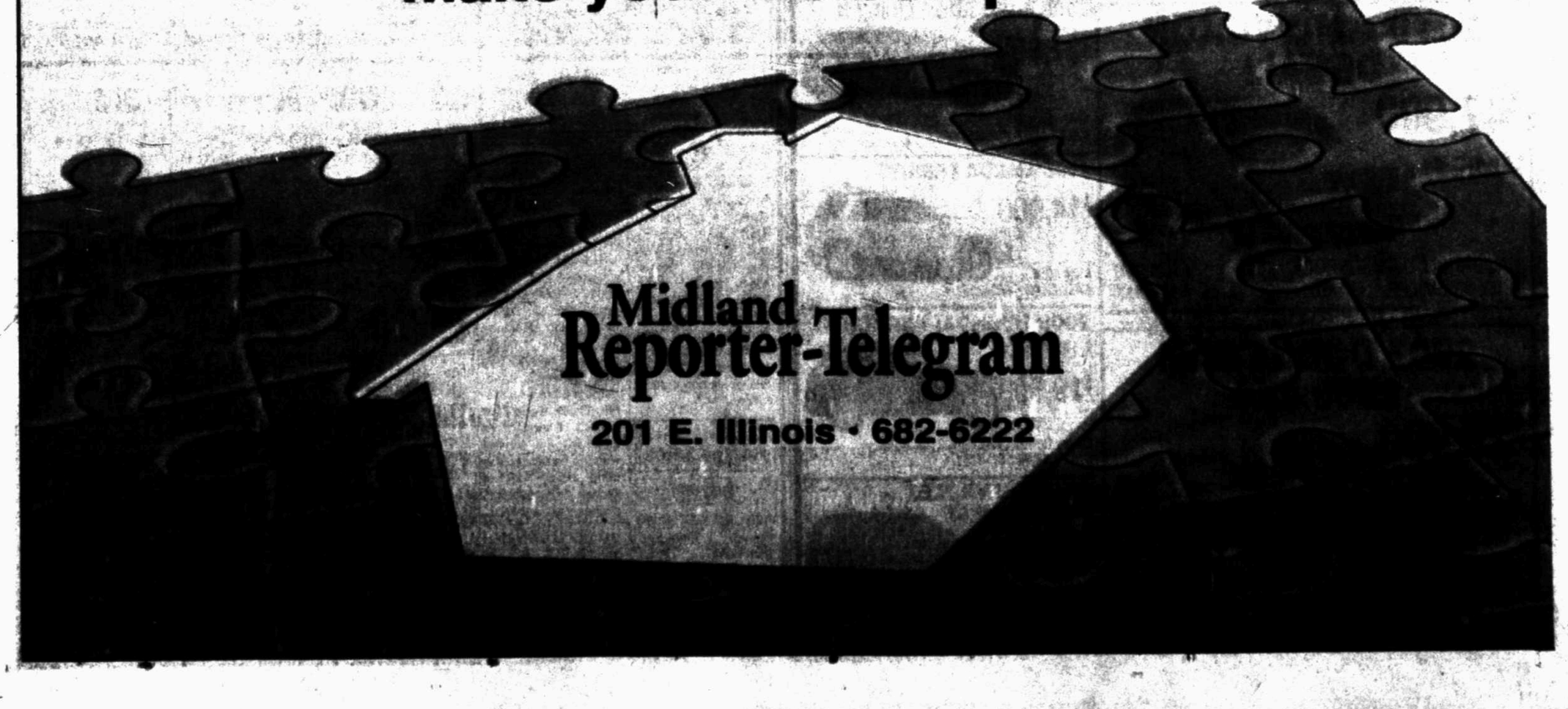
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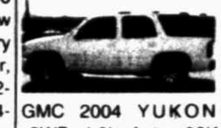
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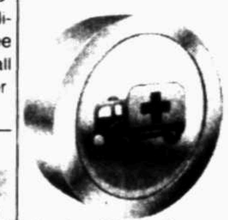
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Yard & Garage Sales

79701

1106 SOUTH Big Spring, Thurs-Sat. 9am-2pm. Barber shop chair, air compressor, octagon aquarium, refrigerator & miscellaneous. Call 432-741-0045.

1811 COLLEGE - SATURDAY ONLY 8:00 am until ? Huge sale - Harley Motorcycle, t-bags, ladies riding jacket and leathers, two spin bikes, bowflex, heavy bag with gloves, handmade tile breakfast table, Oreck wood floor buffer, Shark floor steamer, carved wooden benches, ping pong table, lots of kitchen gadgets, clothes, toys and misc.

2311 HOLLOWAY, Sat. 8-2 & Sun. 9-1 (in backyard). Furniture, chrome rims, fabric, craft & scrapbook items, home decor & lots of miscellaneous.

Yard & Garage Sales

79701

2800 W Illinois apt 29. Friday, 7am-? and Saturday from 7am-3pm Furniture, clothes, electronics and lots of miscellaneous.

79703

3505 LOCKHEED Ave., Friday 7am-? & Saturday 7am-12pm. Mission Trip Fundraiser. Lots of big items. Yard Sale, furniture, clothes, toys, lots of kids clothes & home decor.

3507 THOMAS backyard sale Saturday 7am-1pm. Electronics, furniture, kitchen, lapidary table, 1979 Starcraft pop-up camper, RV lights, shot gun shell reloader, computer parts. Cash only.

4509 ANETTA, Fri. & Sat. 9am-? Must sell, comfortable sofa & loveseat, wooden desk, chairs, high chair & small items, 432-638-2235.

79705

1706 WARD Sat, 3/2, 8am-1pm HUGE MOVING YARD SALE Kitchen items, furniture, toys, clothes, decorations, books, lawn & garden

Yard & Garage Sales

79705

3110 SHELL, Sat., March 2nd. Moving Sale Sewing machines, dining table, chairs, air hockey table, ladies & men's clothes, drafting table, TV, jigsaw, convertible exercise bike, furniture, couches, antique tables, lamps, guitars, kitchen & household items, patio furniture, area rugs, rug weaving table, knitting machine, yarn, Craftsman tool table, sander/polisher & dog grooming table.

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2821 FRONTIER Saturday only from 8am-12pm. Bikes, tv, toy's, computer, books, kitchen wares and more.

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79706

2718 WEST CR 114, West of Cottonflat Rd., Fri & Sat 9am-? Lawn furniture, grills, large water jugs, coolers, bikes, some furniture, dog houses & lots of miscellaneous.

SAT. MORNING sale- 10901 East CR 104 /6-1 behind school. 1985 Bronco, old motorcycle, chest of drawers, glass coffee / end tables, metal frame for full/twin bunkbed/ console tv, tvs, golf clubs, tennis racquets, frames (not on site), irons, lamps, Cognac Barrel game, 1950's, limited edition carosel horse floor lamp, wood work table

Yard & Garage Sales

79707

2003 REGAL PL from 8:00 AM to noon Sat 3-2-13

5214 LAVACA, Sat. March 2nd, 9am-? Comforters, shelves, baskets, clothes & miscellaneous.

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ESTATE SALE Friday March 1st - 9am-5pm& Saturday March 2nd, - 9am-3pm 3905 Coyote Trail - Go west on Briarwood to Coyote which is the street by the blue storage building. Lots of 50's glass, Depression, large selection of Early American Prescut, size medium clothes, cotton fabrics, yarn, books, Shop Vac, and much more.

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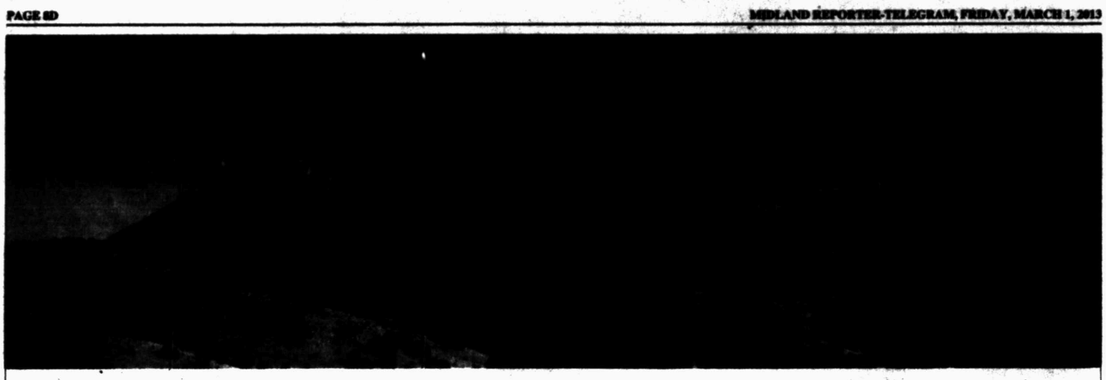
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