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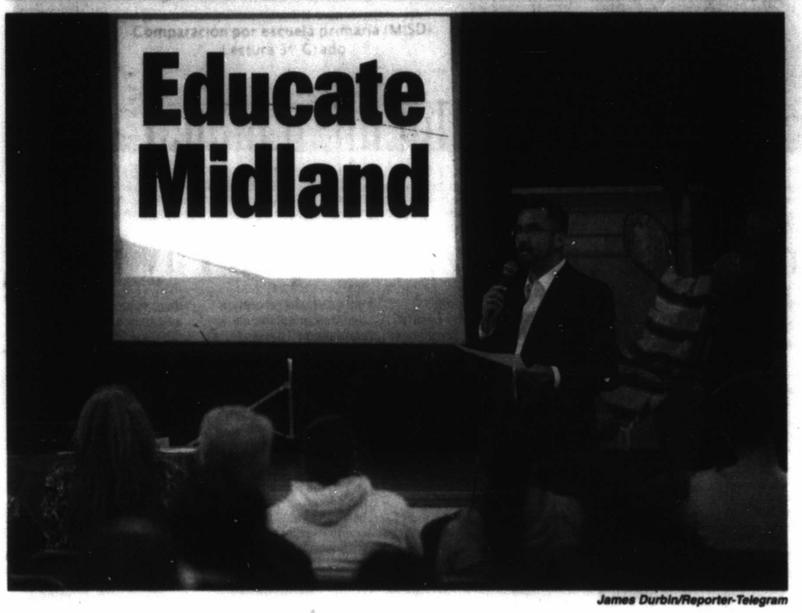

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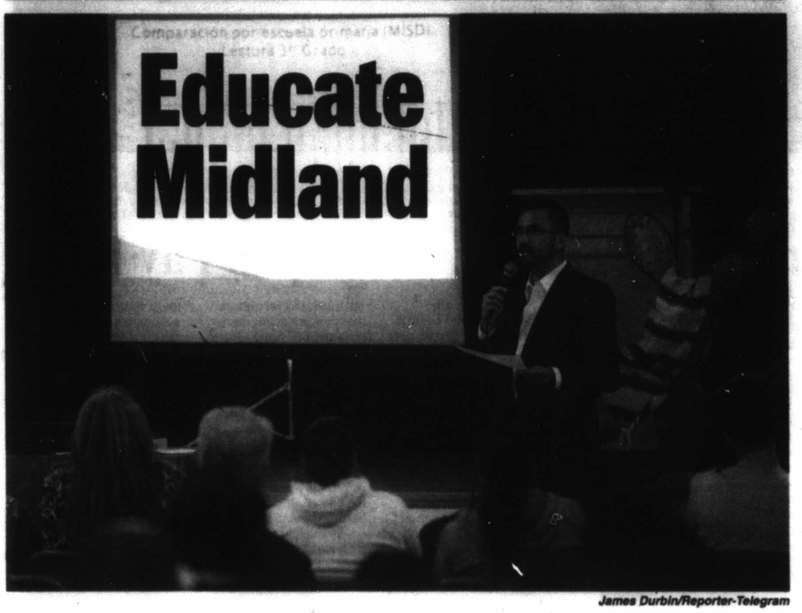

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Obama and Dems seize on Equal Pay Day

By Erica Werner and Kathleen Hennessey
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama and other Democrats on Tuesday seized on Equal Pay Day — a symbolic event dramatizing how much longer it takes a woman to earn as much as a man — to court women voters and call out Republicans for inaction on the issue.

Obama dedicated a new national monument to women's equality and pushed Congress to pass legislation. He suggested he's encouraged by movement toward full gender equality in many arenas — including corporate boardrooms, professional sports and presidential politics.

"If we truly value fairness then America should be a level playing field," the president said, as he joined House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi, Maryland Democratic Sen. Barbara Mikulski and other Democrats at the Sewall-Belmont House and Museum in D.C., the onetime home of the National Women's Party now designated as Belmont-Paul Women's Equality National Monument. Alva Belmont and Alice Paul were figures in the women's rights and suffrage movements.

The Democrats' focus on Equal Pay comes amid a presidential campaign where the Republican front-runner, Donald Trump, has alienated female voters in droves, leading to GOP fears he could diminish the party's standing with that key constituency for years to come. Yet, once again this year, Obama and Democratic lawmakers trumpet their equal pay proposals at news conferences and briefings, Republicans have little to offer in return.

"We feel we shouldn't be playing identity politics; we should be working together to strengthen families," said Sarah Chamberlain, president of the Republican Main Street Partnership, which advocates for pragmatic, center-right policies.

Democrats support legislation requiring employers to show pay disparity is not based on gender, among other steps. The bill, which passed the House when it was under Democratic control but was blocked by Senate Republicans, builds on the first law Obama signed as president, the Lily Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, aimed at making it easier for women to sue over wage discrimination.

For their part, the Republicans who control the House and Senate have announced no plans to act on legislation addressing pay inequity, even though a few GOP lawmakers are pushing bills on the issue. Sen. Deb Fischer, R-Neb., said she is hoping for Democratic support for her narrowly focused bill allowing employees to share wage information. GOP Sen. Kelly Ayotte said she is working with House Republicans to get on board with her broader bill, modeled on one that passed in her home state of New Hampshire.

"To say that Republicans don't care about equal pay, that's just ludicrous that anybody even says that," Fischer said. "Everybody cares about equal pay. That's a value that we all share."

Republican women dispute the notion that "women's issues" are separate from any other issues, noting that women care strongly about national security, the drug epidemic and other matters not specifically related to their gender. With the GOP presidential primary season veering chaotically toward a contested convention, most Capitol Hill Republicans are also avoiding taking any steps that could connect them to the mess, including the perception that they are acting in response to Trump.

"I just put these in the context of good government and the right thing to do. I don't put it in the context of anything else," Ayotte said. "I mean I've been working on this well before this presidential race."

Yet, the result is that the one group arguably best positioned to act as a counterweight to Trump with women voters — female Republican elected officials — has largely allowed his controversial statements on women to go unanswered even as Democrats look likely to elevate the first major-party female presidential nominee in Hillary Clinton.

On Tuesday, Obama hinted he views Clinton's campaign as historic progress — although he has not formally endorsed her bid. He said he hoped visitors to the museum will someday be astonished that there was ever a time when women could not vote.

"I want them to be astonished that there was ever a time when women earned less than men for doing the same work. I want them to be astonished that there was ever a time when women were vastly outnumbered in the boardroom or in Congress, or there was ever a time when a woman had never sat in the Oval Office," he said. "I don't know how long it will take to get there, but I know we're getting closer to that day."

Clinton participated in a round table discussion on the issue in New York City on Tuesday, hosted by job website Glassdoor. Members of the U.S. women's soccer team recently filed a wage-discrimination complaint against U.S. Soccer, and actress Jennifer Lawrence has spoken out about making less than her male co-stars, drawing more attention to the issue than it has had in the past.

"These were not always major issues in presidential campaigns, but they are major issues today," said Rep. Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y., who is hosting a briefing on pay equity Tuesday with actress Patricia Arquette. Of Trump, who had to recant after suggesting women should be punished for having abortions, Maloney added: "I think that he is in the Middle Ages."

Trump himself was questioned by a voter at a rally last fall on whether she would make as much as a man if Trump were elected. "You're going to make the same if you do as good a job," he said.

Crestview establishes fund for family of pastor who died

From staff reports

Crestview Baptist Church has established a fund for the family of Executive Pastor Michael Menasco, who died in a traffic wreck Saturday morning.

Menasco was driving westbound on Andrews Highway when he ran a red light at the Midland Drive intersection and was hit by a northbound bucket truck, according to a previous Reporter-Telegram article. After the crash, the two vehicles struck two southbound-facing vehicles that were stopped at the intersection.

Menasco

The pastor, who was wearing his seat belt, died at the scene of the wreck that occurred shortly after 8 a.m. The roads were wet at the time of the wreck and speed was not a factor, according to the previous article.

Menasco is survived by his wife, April, and two children, Kylie and Brett.

Graveside services are set for 2:30 p.m. today at Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock. A memorial service is planned for 10:30 a.m. Thursday at Crestview.

To contribute to the fund, email cbc@cbctx.org or call 681-8200.

Pedestrian in critical condition after being hit by car

From staff reports

A Midland man is in critical condition at a Lubbock hospital after he was hit by a car late Monday night, according to a press release from the Midland Police Department.

Officers responded to the accident at about 11:27 p.m. at the intersection of Wadley Avenue and Midland Drive. The investigation revealed that 48-year-old Abdoulaye Sarr was crossing Wadley Avenue on the west side of the intersection when he was struck by a Volkswagen Jetta that was traveling eastbound on Wadley Avenue, according to the release. The driver had a green light, although it's not known at this time whether Sarr was in the crosswalk at the time of the accident, according to the release.

He was transported to Midland Memorial Hospital and then airlifted to a hospital in Lubbock.

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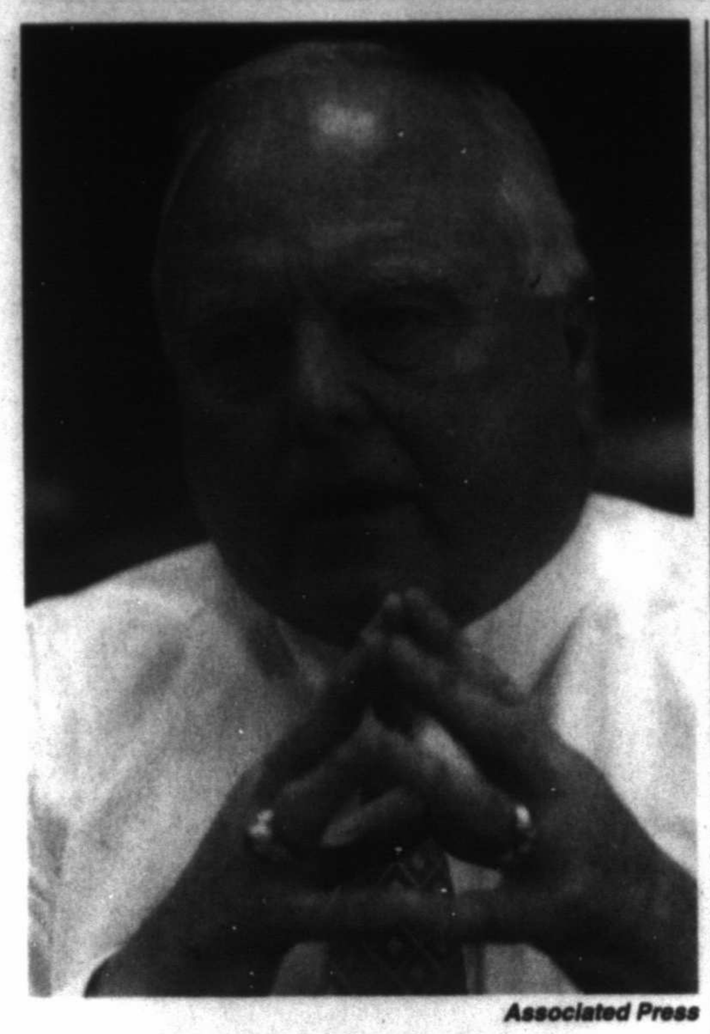

Associated Press

Texas Agricultural Commissioner Sid Miller talks about the state's plans to repeal a decade-old ban on deep fryers in public school kitchens, in Austin, Texas. Attorney General Ken Paxton has been indicted for allegedly duping investors in a tech startup, and Miller reportedly used tax dollars to travel to obtain a so-called "Jesus shot" supposedly offering long-term relief from pain.

Texas Republicans stay silent as GOP officials face troubles

By Paul J. Weber
Associated Press

AUSTIN, — The Texas attorney general has been indicted for allegedly duping investors in a tech startup, and the agriculture commissioner reportedly used tax dollars to travel to obtain a so-called Jesus shot supposedly offering long-term relief from pain.

So far, fellow Republicans are all but ignoring the troubles.

Attorney General Ken Paxton, who has been charged with two felonies, and Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller, who last year unapologetically shared a Facebook post that suggested using a nuclear bomb on the Muslim population, coasted to election in 2014 as part of a new slate of GOP leaders. Other Republicans who won that year included Gov. Greg Abbott and Land Commissioner George P. Bush, son of Jeb Bush.

Democrats, who have called on Paxton to resign, lament what they call the pitfall of a politically one-sided state. Republicans seem content to stay quiet.

"What we've seen is rather endorsement by silence," said Manny Garcia, deputy executive director of the state's bedraggled Democratic Party, which has not won a statewide election since 1994. "It's disappointing that the Republican Party isn't willing to speak out when it sees bad behavior on behalf of their statewide officials."

Abbott, who spent more than a decade in Paxton's job before becoming governor, has repeatedly declined to comment on his successor beyond saying last summer that the legal process needed to "work its course."

The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission is the latest to heap problems on Paxton, accusing him of investor fraud in a federal lawsuit filed Monday. That's on top of two felony counts of securities fraud filed in Texas, where prosecutors say Paxton coaxed investors in 2011 into putting money into a new company called Servergy Inc. without revealing he was being paid by the data-server startup.

SEC investigators say Paxton, then a state legislator, betrayed friends and used-high pressure tactics to seal one deal while raising $840,000. Paxton claimed he tried buying his own stock in Servergy, according to the lawsuit, but said the company founder balked.

"God doesn't want me to take your money," Paxton claimed he was told, according the lawsuit.

Paxton, who has been under indictment for most of his 16 months in office, has pleaded not guilty to the criminal charges and says he will not resign.

Miller's troubles emerged in March, when a Houston Chronicle investigation revealed that he used taxpayer money to travel to Oklahoma last year to apparently receive the "Jesus shot" — an anti-inflammatory injection that is supposed to reduce chronic pain.

Texas 'affluenza' teen heads to adult court

By Nomaan Merchant
Associated Press

DALLAS — A Texas teenager who used an "affluenza" defense in a fatal drunken-driving wreck will appear Wednesday in adult court for the first time.

Ethan Couch, who turned 19 on Monday, will appear before a Fort Worth judge who could order more jail time as part of the terms of Couch's adult probation. Prosecutors and court officials declined to confirm the nature of the hearing, saying the judge has issued a gag order.

Couch got 10 years' probation in juvenile court for a June 2013 wreck that left four dead and two severely injured. He landed in jail after he fled with his mother, Tonya, to Mexico when a video surfaced online showing Couch apparently at a party where alcohol was being served. Drinking alcohol is a violation of Couch's probation. The two were apprehended in Mexico in December and brought back to Texas in January.

Here's a look at what could happen in Couch's case:

Couch is scheduled to appear Wednesday before State District Judge Wayne Salvant in Fort Worth.

He was transferred out of the juvenile system and into an adult jail in February. Salvant could now order him to spend up to 120 days in jail then finish the rest of his 10-year probation. If Couch were to violate his probation during that time, he could get up to 10 years in prison for each of the four people killed in the crash.

The jail time would not be issued for any violation of his juvenile probation, including fleeing to Mexico, but would be set as a condition of his adult probation.

It's not yet clear whether Salvant will make that decision Wednesday. An official in his chambers declined to comment, as did Tarrant County prosecutors.

Couch lost control as he drove his family's pickup truck after he and his friends had played beer pong and drank beer that some of them had stolen from a Wal-Mart. He veered into a crowd of people helping the driver of a disabled vehicle on the side of the road. Authorities later estimated that he was going 70 mph in a 40 mph zone.

Associated Press

Ethan Couch, a Texas teenager who used an "affluenza" defense following a deadly drunken-driving wreck, will appear Wednesday, before a Fort Worth judge who could order more jail time as part of the conditions of his adult probation.

The crash fatally injured the stranded motorist, a youth minister who stopped to help her and a mother and daughter who came out of their nearby home.

Couch was found to have bad a blood-alcohol level three times the legal limit for adult drivers.

State District Judge Jean Boyd gave Couch 10 years' probation, a sentence that outraged victims' relatives and prosecutors who had wanted prison time.

Further sparking outrage was the contention of a defense psychologist, Dr. Dick Miller, that Couch had been coddled into a dangerous sense of irresponsibility by his wealthy parents. Miller used the term "affluenza," which has stuck with the case ever since.

MISD gets positive feedback from district employees

From staff reports

Midland Independent School District is providing "exemplary customer service" to support students' education. This is the big takeaway from the district's first Customer Satisfaction Survey, which asked for feedback about every central office department's responsiveness, courtesy, and flexibility, as well as the accuracy of its information, according to a press release from the district.

"Our main goal at central office is to provide support for every staff member of MISD, with an emphasis on our campus teams who work with our children every day. We need to be here for them and not a hindrance in what they do," said Superintendent Ryder Warren. "These survey results show we're living up to that commitment. Those positive interactions benefit our students because our teachers and staff are part of a supportive and positive work environment."

In January, 1,554 district employees — 82 percent of whom are instructional staff members — took the survey, providing feedback about each district department, from payroll and benefits to transportation, student support services, and the superintendent's office.

Warren said Midland ISD is clearly benefiting from its district staff, noting the high marks every department received for the courtesy of staff members. In that category, positive responses ranged from 82 percent of participants to 97 percent. The district received high praise for responsiveness (72 percent to 95 percent), flexibility (72 percent to 94 percent), and information accuracy (79 percent to 95 percent), according to the release.

Since the district received the survey results, leaders have met with each department manager to discuss the next steps. Each department has been charged with identifying at least one performance objective based on the survey results. Those objectives will be added to the district's state-mandated improvement plan for next year.

"We are using these survey results to proactively plan for improvement. The plans that are produced will be implemented immediately into our day-to-day support of our MISD teammates," Warren said. "Each department plays an important role in our district, and we should work together to improve our service to students and staff."

Individual employee responses were kept confidential, with the district able to access only department-level results, according to the release.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

■ Party on the Patio with Colton Fox and Early Morning Reign kicks off the Shack's 2016 summer season. 5 p.m., The Shack in the Back, 11610 W. Business 20, Odessa. Shackintheback.com.

■ Live Trivia by Challenge Entertainment. 8 p.m., Torino's. challengeentertainment.com.

Support group, club meetings today

■ The Knot Adoption Support Group, 11:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church; Kathy Hagler, Kathy@WTIE.net.

■ Caregiver support, noon, HospiceMidland 911 W. Texas Ave., 682-2855.

■ Midland Downtown Lions Club, noon to 1 p.m., 200 Plaza St.

■ Uptown Midland BPW, noon, Petroleum Club; Glenda Knox, 686-2819.

■ Midland Quilters Guild meets 1 p.m., Alamo Heights Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. For more information call 694-0561.

MCRW host luncheon today

Midland County Republican Women will host a luncheon at 11:15 a.m. today at Midland Country Club.

The guest speaker will be Tyron D. Lewis. Railroad commissioner candidates Gary Gates and Wayne Christian are expected to attend.

The meeting is open to the public. Cost is $20 with a reservation and $25 at the door.

To RSVP, call 520-3500 or email: mcrwomwn@mcrw.us Go to www.mcrw.us for more information.

New Taco Villa opens

The new Taco Villa at 4401 Andrews Highway is open for business.

The new restaurant, which opened Tuesday, is replacing the existing Taco Villa located at the corner of Andrews Highway and Midland Drive. The new location should be easier for customers to enter and exit, company officials said.

Owner Bobby Cox Cos. plans to demolish the existing Taco Villa and sell the land.

Police officer testing

The Midland Police Department has scheduled a physical and written examination at 9 a.m. Friday to fill vacancies in the upcoming academy.

Those applicants who pass the fitness test will then take the written exam. Physical test requirements are: 30 sit-ups minimum 25 push-ups minimum and 1.5-mile run in less than 14:46. in addition, at least 60 college credit hours are required, but applicants with fewer may still qualify depending on past years of military, police, jailer or corrections experience.

Applicants should apply online before testing, and then report (with a photo ID) to the Midland Police Department front lobby, 601 N. Loraine St., on Friday.

For more information, call 685-759.

Bush home reading program

The Third Thursday Reading Program at the Bush Childhood Home will have its next event from 4:30-5:30 p.m. on April 21.

The free event is for children of all ages, and officials will read several books, including the feature book, "Extraordinary Warren Saves the Day." Each child will receive a copy of the book. Space is limited so call 685-1112 to reserve a space.

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All or Nothing morning: 3-4-5-6-7-10-11-12-13-17-19-24
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All or Nothing night: 2-3-4-6-7-11-13-14-16-18-22-23

Today in history

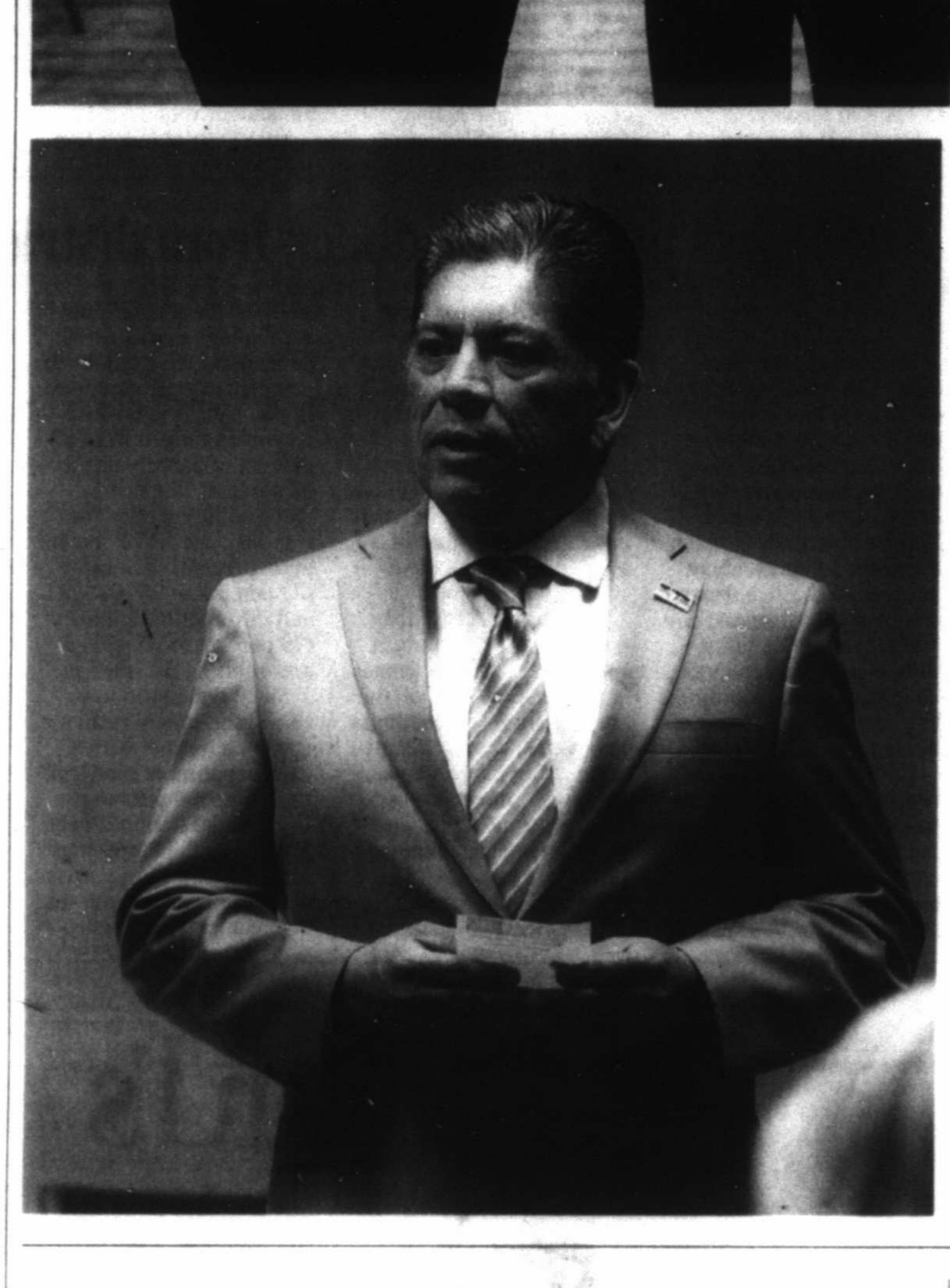
Today is Wednesday, April 13, the 104th day of 2016. There are 262 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On April 13, 1970, Apollo 13, four-fifths of the way to the moon, was crippled when a tank containing liquid oxygen burst. (The astronauts managed to return safely.)

On this date:

In 1613, Pocahontas, daughter of Chief Powhatan, was captured by English Capt. Samuel Argall in the Virginia Colony. (During a yearlong captivity, Pocahontas converted to Christianity and ultimately opted to stay with the English.)



National Crime Victims' Rights Week

From left, Heidi Johnson, MPD Sgt. Jimmy Young, and Midland County District Attorney Teresa Clingman received awards during the Midland Crime Victims Coalition award ceremony Tuesday at the DoubleTree Hotel. The observance was in recognition of National Crime Victims' Rights Week, which is April 10-16. Ceremonies across the country this week promote victims' rights and honor victims and their advocates. **LEFT:** Mayor Jerry Morales speaks during the award ceremony.

Photos by James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

EDUCATE

From 1A

Here are some takeaways from Tuesday's event:

■ The Educate Midland leadership team will meet Friday, and one of the topics will be increasing Hispanic representation on Education Midland's committees. Laura Roman said they would like 60 percent Hispanic involvement.

"We need it desperately," she said.

■ The 85 people in attendance, which included MISD representatives and Educate Midland officials, made the third event the smallest of the three held so far. The three-meeting total has been estimated at 635. The lone Hispanic representative on the MISD school board — Angel Hernandez — was not able to attend the meeting because there were family issues that required his attention.

"I can assure you he fully supports the effort," said MISD Board President Rick Davis.

■ The Cultural Center's Ballet Folklorico students performed for more than 20 minutes.

What is collective impact?

Collective impact is a framework to tackle deeply entrenched and complex social problems. It is an innovative and structured approach to making collaboration work across government, business, philanthropy, non-profit organizations and citizens to achieve significant and lasting social change.

Collective impact - five elements

1. All participants have a common agenda for change, including a shared understanding of the problem and a joint approach to solving it through agreed-upon actions.

2. Collecting data and measuring results consistently across all the participants ensures shared measurement for alignment and accountability.

3. Create a plan of action that outlines and coordinates mutually reinforcing activities for each participant.

4. Open and continuous communication is needed across the many players to build trust, assure mutual objectives and create common motivation.

5. A backbone organization(s) with staff and specific set of skills to serve the entire initiative and coordinate participating organizations and agencies.

Source: www.collaborationforimpact.com

What is Educate Midland?

A collaboration of Midland ISD and Educate Texas with the goal of strengthening Midland's public education system so that every student is prepared to succeed in school, in the workforce, and in life.

Source: www.educatemidland.org

WIND

From 1A

now supports about 88,000 jobs, less than the number of people employed in solar or hydropower but still an all-time high.

In addition, Congress last year extended a key federal tax incentive for wind energy investment. And as prices for clean technology continue to fall and countries work to cut back on emissions from burning fossil fuels, renewable energy options such as wind and solar power seem destined for continued growth. "It was a very good year," Kiernan said.

Here are some other takeaways from Tuesday's industry report:

■ Coal and natural gas remain king when it comes to where Americans get their electricity, accounting for more than two-thirds of U.S. generation. But renewable energy is fast becoming a bigger part of the mix. Wind power accounts for about five percent of U.S. electricity sources, but it now accounts for more than one-third of renewable electricity generation.

■ Wind energy is seeing a global, not just a domestic boom. While the United States generated more electricity from wind than in any previous year during 2015, China outpaced every other nation in the amount of new wind energy capacity. China, the United States, Germany, Brazil and India combined to produce more than 80 percent of all new wind capacity installations in 2015, according to the AWEA.

■ Texas is far and away the nation's leader in total wind energy generation. The state is home to more than 24,000 wind jobs. But Texas also is among the parties suing the Obama administration over its Clean Power Plan, which would favor the development of wind, solar and natural gas to the detriment of coal.

CRIMEBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

OPD arrests woman suspected of stealing ring from corpse

ODESSA — Odessa police arrested a woman Tuesday afternoon in connection with the theft of a ring from a corpse, according to an Odessa Police Department press release.

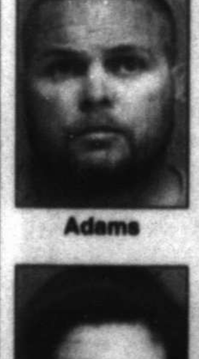
Kalynn Homfeld, 42, was being held Tuesday on a charge of a state jail felony of theft from a human corpse.

Police responded to Sunset Memorial Gardens and Funeral Home on Saturday in reference to the theft, according to the release. The investigation revealed that a woman, later identified as Homfeld, had taken the ring on Friday and fled the scene.

If convicted of the state felony, Homfeld could face up to two years in jail.

MPD: Couple attacks each other

A Midland couple was arrested Monday for allegedly assaulting each other, according to court documents.



Adams

Aquilina

Lee E. Adams, 39, was being held Tuesday on a $100,000 bond for a first-degree felony charge of aggravated assault of a date/family/household member and a $20,000 bond for a third-degree felony charge of assault of a family/house member impeding breath.

Symantha B. Aquilina was being held Tuesday on a $75,000 bond for a first-degree felony charge of aggravated assault of a date/family/household member.

Officers were dispatched to a residence Sunday night because a 911 call came in and a man and woman could be heard yelling in the background. Adams and Aquilina, his wife, had gotten into a verbal argument, and she left the residence, according to the affidavits.

Later that evening, Aquilina and another woman returned to the residence and banged on the door, according to the affidavit. Adams got tired of Aquilina knocking on the door, so he opened it and punched her, according to the affidavits.

Aquilina then picked up flower pots that were on the porch and threw them at Adams, striking him in the head, according to the affidavit. Adams then struck Aquilina across the face and threw her on the ground, according to the affidavit.

He then jumped on top of Aquilina and began to choke her, according to the affidavit.

Adams returned inside and locked the door. Aquilina kicked in the door, and when she entered the residence she saw Adams pointing a rifle at her head, according to the affidavit. He said he was going to kill her, according to the affidavit.

If convicted of the first and third-degree felonies, Adams could face up to 99 years and 10 years in prison, respectively. If convicted of the first-degree felony, Aquilina could face up to 99 years in prison.

Flint's latest conundrum? People aren't using enough water

By David Eggert
Associated Press

LANSING, Mich. — Flint residents who've grown accustomed to using bottled water and avoiding the faucet are getting new instructions: Turn on the taps.

The conundrum, expert Marc Edwards said Tuesday, is that residents afraid of using the water aren't running enough of it to rid the system of toxic lead. People aren't showering as much, are leery of drinking or cooking with tap water even with faucet filters and don't want to pay higher bills for water they're not using, despite the state helping to offset rates.

But that's slowing efforts to clean out lead deposits and effectively recoat the pipes and plumbing to make them safe again, said Edwards, a Virginia Tech professor who helped expose the problem in Flint. Although lead levels are lower, he said without more water use it could take months or even years to rid the system of contamination.

"We've got to get more water flowing through the system," he said Tuesday in Blacksburg, Virginia.

"Who's going to pay for that?" asked resident Mona Munroe-Younis, whose family is using the tap water but only after installing a filtration machine and softener. She said she hasn't seen a discounted bill yet, though a Flint spokeswoman said the city expects to start mailing statements that detail account credits at the end of the week.

Edwards' team studied homes with persistently high lead levels and discovered water use as low as 20 percent of typical usage. Lead levels from March were lower than when his team tested homes last August, he said, but still exceeded federal limits — which means residents should keep using faucet filters and bottled water.

At the advice of state environmental regulators, Flint went without corrosion controls in its water for 18 months, after the city switched to using the Flint River as a water source to save money while under state financial management. That allowed lead, which has been linked to developmental disabilities in children and other issues, to leach from old pipes. The city has since reconnected to the Detroit area's water system, which uses corrosion chemicals on Lake Huron water, and added additional orthophosphates. But the damaged pipes need the coating.

Edwards said the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality could soon announce a plan to boost water use quickly, and there have been discussions about providing water for free for a couple weeks. That's what needs to happen, said Munroe-Younis, who believes her 4-month-old son's skin problems might be related to bath water.

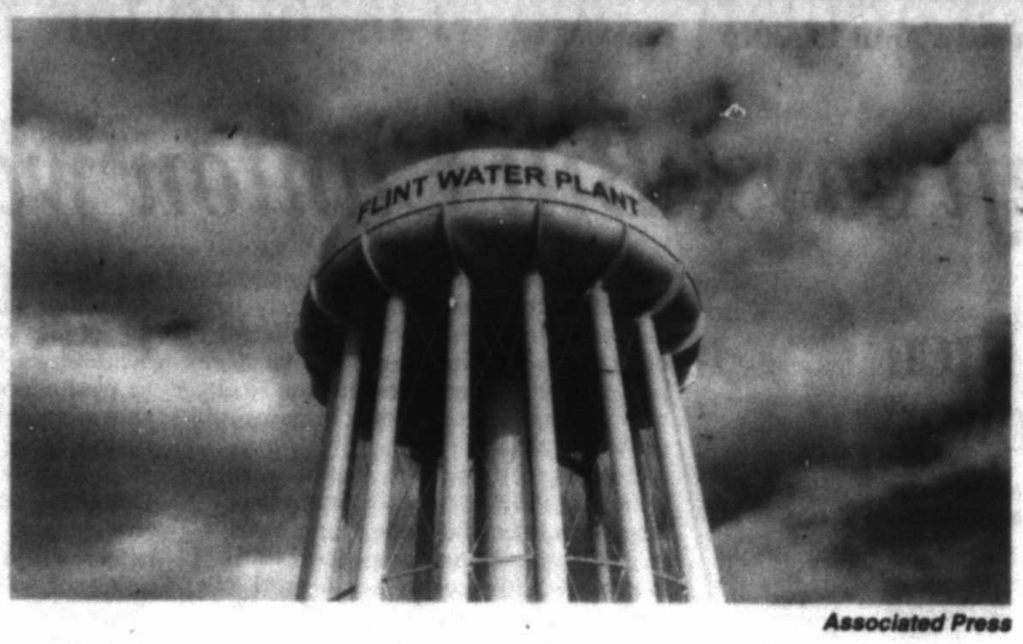
"They need to just stop billing people for a period of time until they fix it," Munroe-Younis said. "That's the only solution I can think of. They need to figure out how long it would take to build that scale back up. Is that going to take a year? Is that going to take a month?"

Flint Mayor Karen Weaver said "there's no telling" when residents will be able to drink straight from the tap without a filter. Edwards said even where testing shows very low lead levels, an "unacceptably high" risk remains that a piece of lead from an underground service line or the inside plumbing could flake off and taint those homes' supply. "There's a perception — perhaps you could call it an urban legend — that if (people) use less water, they will have less corrosion problems in their house. ... That is simply not the case. From every scientific perspective, the more water that a resident uses, the better the quality of the water is going to be," he said.

Republican Gov. Rick Snyder's office is studying how to address the cost of flushing Flint's system in order to increase participation by Flint residents, spokesman Ari Adler said.

"We don't have a formal protocol for how or how long to do this yet, but the DEQ, EPA and Virginia Tech teams are working on one," Adler said. "The governor understands the importance of what needs to be done and also the hesitation some Flint residents may have in doing so because of the potential cost."

Weaver reiterated the need for state and federal funding to replace thousands of damaged lead and galvanized pipes that run from water mains into homes. Snyder is seeking $25 million from state lawmakers to replace the lines. A $220 million package is on hold in the U.S. Senate.



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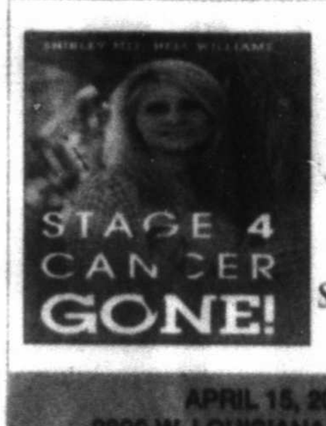
The Flint Water Plant water tower is seen in Flint, Mich. Flint residents who've grown accustomed to using bottled water and avoiding the faucet are now getting new instructions: Use more tap water. The conundrum is that city residents aren't running enough water to rid the system of toxic lead. People aren't showering as much, are afraid to drink tap water even with faucet filters, and don't want to pay high water bills to run water they're not using. But that's slowing efforts to clean out lead deposits and effectively recoat the pipes and plumbing to make them safe again.



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Bill Clinton trespassed against the cardinal rule of contemporary Democratic politics, which is that Thou Shalt Not Contradict Black Lives Matter Protesters.

Clinton's lapse came at a Philadelphia rally last week. When demonstrators inveighed against the 1994 crime bill signed by Clinton, the former president gave much better than he got. He rebutted them in finger-wagging detail, repeatedly returning to the point that the crime bill sought to diminish the rampant criminality that was destroying black lives.

Clinton thought he was winning the argument, and by any reasonable standard he was -- but, politically, he committed a multitude of sins.

He defended the old term "super predator" as an accurate description of gang leaders who prey on kids -- not realizing that the phrase has been deemed dehumanizing (gang leaders are very sensitive to such microaggressions). Instead of denouncing the police as agents of systemic racism, he defended sending more of them into the streets. And by using the phrase "black lives" in the context of blacks killing other blacks, he signaled he doesn't get that the only approved use of the slogan is as a bludgeon against the criminal-justice system.

In short, Clinton demonstrated a common-sensical, pre-Black Lives Matter understanding of criminal justice, and quickly had to backtrack. Presumably, he won't be guilty of such an offense ever again.

Both Clinton and his critics exaggerate the effect of the 1994 crime bill, which, among other things, funded more cops and prisons. Clinton attributes the drastic decline in crime rates to it, when the drop had already begun. The critics attribute the drastic increase in incarceration to it, when that, too, preceded the bill.

But the notion that the crime bill, and other tough-on-crime measures like it, was part of a racist dragnet to imprison black men guilty of low-level drug offenses is obviously absurd.

It is easy to forget now, but between 1960 and 1990, the United States experienced perhaps the worst crime wave in its history. Violent crime increased more than 350 percent. Across the 1960s, robbery rose 500 percent in cities with a population of a million. It would be impossible for the political system not to respond vigorously to such a tide of disorder, especially when the criminal-justice system was initially so inadequate to the task.

In his book "The Rise and Fall of Violent Crime in America," Barry Latzer notes how the criminal-justice system was fraying as crime spiked in the late 1960s: "The number of arrests per reported crime went down, not up; sentencing to prison occurred less often, not more; and prison time served for serious crimes actually shortened, not lengthened."

Subsequently, we readjusted, and it wasn't an exercise in quasi-white supremacy. From 1976 to 2005, blacks were 47 percent of murder victims. Bill Clinton's talk of kids wasn't just pulling at the heartstrings. During the crack epidemic in Washington, D.C., about 500 kids were shot and stabbed in a roughly two-year period. Since their communities suffered so grievously from drug crime, black Democrats supported important legislative elements of the crackdown on drug offenses from the 1970s onward.

Yet the war on drugs wasn't the main driver of the remarkable 30-year rise in incarceration, from roughly 300,000 to more than 1.6 million. According to John Pfaff of Fordham Law School, less than 20 percent of the inmates in state prisons (they house most U.S. prisoners) are there primarily on drug charges. The vast majority are guilty of violent or property offenses.

There is no doubt that policing and prisons — as well as the waning of the crack epidemic — played a role in breaking the great crime wave of the 1960s. That we are safer creates the political opening to rethink our incarceration policies. Bill Clinton will now want to button his lip before saying such a thing, but it doesn't make it any less true.

OPINION EXTRA

Cruz, Kasich should join forces to stump Donald Trump

Donald Trump is getting some unlikely assistance from his opponents in his uphill effort to win a majority of Republican presidential delegates. Texas Sen. Ted Cruz and Ohio Gov. John Kasich remain too busy battling each other to unite in opposition to the front-runner.

Cruz and Kasich have the same goal: to prevent Trump from getting close to the 1,237 delegates he needs for the nomination. Yet in remaining contests in New York, California, New Jersey and elsewhere, the battle between the two of them sets back that effort.

Instead they could be colluding — that's perfectly legal — effectively dividing up some states, playing to their respective strengths.

Take New York, which has its primary Tuesday with 95 delegates at stake. Under the Republican rules, if Trump wins more than 50 percent of the statewide vote he gets all 11 at-large delegates. Additionally, majorities in any of the 27 congressional districts would give him all three of that district's delegates.

He's being challenged in some places by Kasich. If, as Cruz has demanded, Kasich dropped out, it would ensure a Trump sweep in New York.

If Cruz and Kasich were to focus their time and resources in different venues — the Texas senator in more conservative upstate districts and the Ohioan in several New York City and in suburban districts — they would have a better shot at denying the front-runner half the votes in a number of districts. Trump almost certainly will win a majority of New York's delegates, but the difference between, say, 85 and 60 could matter a lot in his quest for 1,237.

Similar allocation formulas apply the following week in Connecticut and Maryland, where polls show Trump ahead. Kasich could challenge him more effectively in some suburban areas and Cruz in regions where there are more Christian conservatives.

In a number of districts, and in states like Indiana, where all three Republican contenders have strengths, Kasich and Cruz have to compete against each other.

But the final primary day, June 7, underscores the potential advantages of cooperation between the two Trump challengers. California elects 172 delegates, most by winner-take-all vote in each of the 53 congressional districts; New Jersey picks 51, all awarded to the winner of the statewide vote.

A smart challenger strategy would look like this: Kasich would make a concerted effort in a dozen or so California districts, mainly in the northern part of the state; Cruz would wage a major fight against Trump in most of the others.

In New Jersey, Kasich is best positioned to take on Trump and his chief supporter, Gov. Chris Christie. Kasich's technocratic centrism fits the profile of a good New Jersey candidate, and he has a gubernatorial record demonstrably better than that of Christie, whose hapless presidential run cost him popularity in his home state. In a three-way Garden State race, however, few doubt that Trump would prevail.

But in the past several weeks, Trump's rivals have been throwing as many punches at each other as at Trump. Cruz's strategy has been to get to a one-on-one contest with Trump, while Kasich's has been to win late primaries to demonstrate electability in hopes of being chosen at a deadlocked convention in Cleveland in July.

These plans have been overtaken by events; sticking to them helps Trump.

— Albert Hunt, Bloomberg

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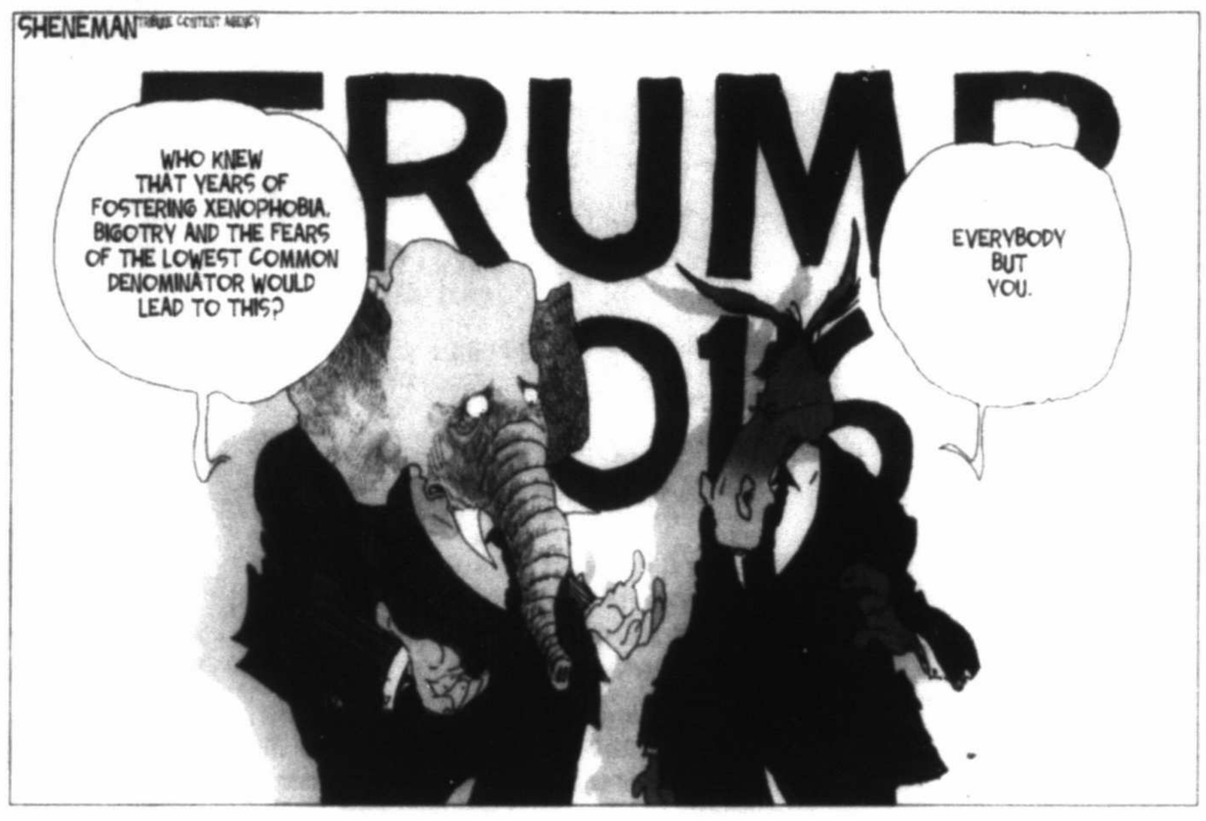
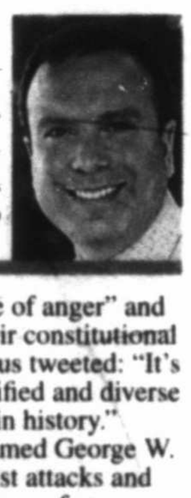


GOP headed to Whig-like fate?

■ National chairman's only option may be resigning if Trump wins nomination



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Reince Priebus, the beleaguered and balding Republican National Committee chairman, was asked a few days ago about his mane.

"How much gray hair do you think you're going to have by December?" CNN's Jake Tapper inquired.

"Gray is fine," the party boss replied. "I just want to make sure I have hair."

Alternatively, he could try a Whig.

This could be the first time in 160 years that a major American political party splits, and Priebus, the young technocrat from Wisconsin brought in to improve the Republicans' infrastructure, is in over his head.

The Whigs were essentially undone by their inability to agree on slavery; the attempt to satisfy both sides, with the Compromise of 1850, caused Northern and Southern Whigs to part. Though the current situation is quite different, Republicans are now split by their own moral dilemma: whether to embrace as their nominee a man who stands for isolationism and ethno-nationalism and who disparages women and minorities. Priebus is preaching party unity above morality.

If the party accepts Trump, it could consign itself to political oblivion by antagonizing women, minority groups and immigrants. If it accepts Ted Cruz instead, it risks a riot by the Trump populists and the loss of all but far-right voters. And if Priebus and his fellow Republicans try to rally around a mainstream figure such as Paul Ryan, they could salvage the party in the long run but would risk alienating the majority of this year's GOP voters.

"Well," Priebus said in a radio interview Thursday with former Republican senator (and Trump booster) Scott Brown, "I haven't started pouring Bailey's in my cereal yet, but I've certainly considered it."

In fairness, there is no good option for Priebus now, except perhaps to resign if Trump secures the party nomination. His defenders point out that each time he disagrees with Trump, the criticism only emboldens Trump supporters, as it was likely to do again after Priebus said Monday that the Colorado GOP convention's decision to award all 34 delegates to Cruz was not "a crooked deal," as Trump charged.

But Priebus failed to act to stop Trump when he could have, or to coordinate Republicans to clear the field for a mainstream alternative. And now he compounds the damage by sticking with the same moral neutrality and happy talk of GOP unity that allowed the situation to develop.

After the Jan. 14 debate, in which Trump said he would "gladly accept the mantle of anger" and traded charges with Cruz about their constitutional eligibility for the presidency, Priebus tweeted: "It's clear we've got the most well-qualified and diverse field of candidates from any party in history."

In the Feb. 13 debate, Trump blamed George W. Bush for the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and said Bush "lied" about Iraq's weapons of mass destruction. Trump, Cruz and Marco Rubio took turns calling one another liars, and Rubio ridiculed Cruz's Spanish skills. "Our well-qualified & experienced candidates continue to put forth serious solutions to restore prosperity & strength to America," Priebus tweeted.

And after the March 3 debate, in which Trump spoke about the size of his genitals, Priebus tweeted that "Republican candidates are the only ones offering the course correction voters overwhelmingly want."

Priebus sounds like a fortune cookie when he says "the impossible is always possible with unity." But unity behind bigotry?

This all might have turned out differently if Priebus, and other Republicans in positions of responsibility, had turned against Trump sooner. In January, he called the Trump-dominated debates "a good thing for our party." He said he was "100 percent" sure he could rally the party behind either Trump or Cruz. He has since praised Trump for bringing "millions of new voters to our party."

With 4 in 10 Republicans saying they wouldn't get behind Trump in a general election, it's clear he would lose the party more votes than he gains. But Priebus is still talking like a fortune cookie. "With unity the impossible is possible; with division the possible is impossible," he informed Brown in Thursday's radio interview.

Priebus spoke about the wonder of his role. "It's unbelievable to be in the middle of history that will be talked about forever," he said.

But history is unlikely to remember kindly a Republican chairman who turned the party of Lincoln over to a populist demagogue or to an ideologue loathed even by Republican colleagues. Hopefully those twin menaces will be enough to wig out Priebus — before his Republicans get Whigged out.

From the Left | Doonesbury

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Trump amassing delegates who might not be loyal to him

Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — Already behind the curve in organizing for the Republican convention, Donald Trump has missed crucial deadlines in a number of states to lock up delegates who would stay loyal beyond the first ballot.

Trump's shortcomings in this behind-the-scenes campaign, which hasn't played much of a role in selecting the GOP nominee in decades, could doom his presidential candidacy if he is unable to win the nomination in the initial voting at this summer's national convention in Cleveland.

After that first ballot, most delegates are no longer bound to support the winner of their state's party primary or caucuses — they're free agents who can support the candidate of their choosing.

Most of the actual delegates are elected at state and congressional district conventions run by party insiders, members of the Republican establishment that Trump has run against from the outset of his campaign.

And although Trump's team has had little contact with these loyal party activists, his chief rival for the Republican nomination, Texas Sen. Ted Cruz, has actively courted them for months.

Trump has spent the past two days hammering at his party's delegate selection process as "rigged," "unfair" and "corrupt."

At a rally in Albany, New York, on Monday night that drew thousands, Trump angrily denounced Saturday's final allocation of all of Colorado's delegates to Cruz as "dirty and disgusting."

Trump's team is only now starting to engage in the delegate selection process, the choosing of the actual people who will attend and vote at the convention. Republicans have already selected delegates in at least nine states. And in others, such as Virginia and Arizona, the deadline to apply to be a delegate has passed.

Indiana's primary, for example, won't take place until next month. But the deadline to become a national convention delegate was in mid-March.

"Are we concerned? Yes, definitely," said Tony Samuel, vice chairman of Trump's Indiana campaign.

The Cruz team feels the opposite.

"Even if (Trump) jumped into high gear, he can't do it," said Shak Hill, a Cruz campaign leader in Virginia. "That's where he's been shut out of the game."

Trump's delegates must vote for him on the first ballot at the convention. But if no one gets a majority, most of the delegates can then bolt if they choose.

Trump is the only candidate with a realistic path to the 1,237 delegates needed to clinch the nomination before the convention. But the path is narrow, and Cruz is working to block him.

Cruz has built an organization of volunteers who are working in state after state to get his supporters selected as delegates, even those who must vote for Trump at first.

Trump is just ramping up his operation, but in some states he's too late.

In Virginia — a state where Trump won the primary — he has missed the deadlines to assemble lists of potential delegates. Cruz, however, has delegate candidates in 10 of Virginia's 11 congressional districts.

The application deadline was last month.

Indiana's primary is May 3, but 27 of the state's 57 delegates — the actual people — have already been selected at congressional district caucuses. The deadline to register as a candidate for delegate was March 15.

In all, at least nine states have picked some or all of their delegates: Colorado, Iowa, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, North Dakota, Tennessee and Wisconsin.

Trump has won a total of 100 delegates in primaries and caucuses in these states. In most, however, the candidates had no formal role in selecting the people who will fill those slots.

To help manage the process, Trump's campaign hired a convention manager, Paul Manafort, last week. Manafort helped lead the fight against Ronald Reagan's challenge of then-President Gerald Ford at the 1976 Republican convention in Kansas City.

Manafort has accused Cruz's campaign of strong-arming would-be delegates. However, he said Trump was successful in selecting delegates in Michigan, and predicted the same in Nevada.

"In fact, we wiped him out," Manafort said in an NBC interview Sunday. "And we're going to see Ted Cruz get skunked in Nevada."

Former South Carolina Republican Chairman Katon Dawson, who has been publicly neutral in the race, said he's seen no difference in Trump's delegate strategy since Manafort's hire.

Said Dawson, a veteran national GOP strategist, "He's not a household name or miracle worker by any stretch."

Trump won all 50 of South Carolina's delegates. But in order to be a delegate at the national convention, you had to be a delegate at last year's state convention.

"The people that are going to fill those slots were already selected anyway," said Republican political consultant Tony Denny, who has been a delegate to three previous GOP national conventions.

Cruz has already done a lot of groundwork to get supporters selected as delegates in South Carolina.

"The delegate selection process is in their DNA," Denny said of Cruz's ground operation.

Poll: Republicans not itching for a convention fight

By Emily Swanson
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Most Republican voters think the candidate with the most delegates heading into the party's convention in July should ultimately emerge as the GOP's presidential nominee, regardless of whether he holds the majority of all delegates needed to secure the nomination, according to a new Associated Press-GfK poll.

The survey finds Republicans are more likely to think of Donald Trump as a possible general election winner than either of his current GOP rivals.

Here are some things to know about opinions on a contested convention and which Republican candidates could win a general election from the latest AP-GfK poll:

According to the new poll, nearly 6 in 10 Republican voters — 58 percent — think the candidate with the most delegates after all the state contests are finished should be the nominee, even if he doesn't have a clear majority.

Just 40 percent think it would be acceptable for the delegates to pick a different candidate.

That's true even though slightly fewer have a favorable opinion of Trump, who will likely go into the convention with more delegates than any other candidate. Just 53 percent of Republican voters have a favorable opinion of Trump, while 46 percent have an unfavorable opinion.

Within the Republican Party, opinions of Trump draw a dramatic divide in terms of how the convention should work out.

Eight in 10 Republican voters who have a favorable opinion of Trump think the party should nominate the ultimate delegate leader.

But among Republican voters with an unfavorable opinion of Trump, two-thirds think it would be acceptable for the delegates to choose someone else. Another third of those who don't like Trump nonetheless think the party should nominate the delegate leader in the end.

Among all Americans, nearly half think it would be acceptable for the delegates at the GOP convention to choose a different nominee, while about as many think the candidate in the lead should be the nominee.

Democratic voters think by a 63 percent to 35 percent margin that it would be acceptable for the Republican delegates to nominate another candidate if the leader doesn't have a majority of delegates.

Although some Republican leaders have expressed concern that a Trump nomination would lead to a loss in November, that's not a concern most Republican voters share. Eighty-one percent think Trump could possibly win a general election, versus those who say so of Sen. Ted Cruz (66 percent) or Ohio Gov. John Kasich (just 41 percent).

But the poll suggests both of the top GOP candidates would in fact be hard sells in a general election, with 63 percent of registered voters saying they would definitely not vote for Trump and 55 percent that they wouldn't consider voting for Cruz. Forty-four percent say they wouldn't consider voting for Kasich.

By contrast, 51 percent say they wouldn't consider voting for former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton in a general election and 38 percent wouldn't consider voting for Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders.

Still, even among Americans as a whole, about 6 in 10 think Trump could potentially win a general election, just under half think Cruz could and only a third think Kasich could. Kasich is still largely unknown to the American people, with 34 percent, including 26 percent of Republican voters, unable to say if they have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of him.

The AP-GfK Poll of 1,076 adults was conducted online March 31-April 4, using a sample drawn from GfK's probability-based KnowledgePanel, which is designed to be representative of the U.S. population. The margin of sampling error for all respondents is plus or minus 3.3 percentage points.

Respondents were first selected randomly using telephone or mail survey methods and later interviewed online. People selected for KnowledgePanel who didn't otherwise have access to the Internet were provided access at no cost to them.

Local border patrol union eyes disavowing Trump endorsement

Associated Press

EL PASO,— A local union of Border Patrol agents may disavow the National Border Patrol Council's endorsement of presidential candidate Donald Trump.

The El Paso Times reports members of Local 1929 in El Paso, Texas, will consider a proposal to reject the union's national endorsement of Trump and take a neutral stance in the presidential election.

The GOP-hopeful has drawn criticism for his plans to build a wall along the U.S.-Mexico border and for a massive deportation of an estimated 11 million immigrants suspected of being in the country illegally.

The local represents about 1,700 agents — about 10 percent of the union's total membership — in the Border Patrol's El Paso sector, which covers West Texas and all of New Mexico.

National Border Patrol Council spokesman Shawn Moran said the union stands by its endorsement.

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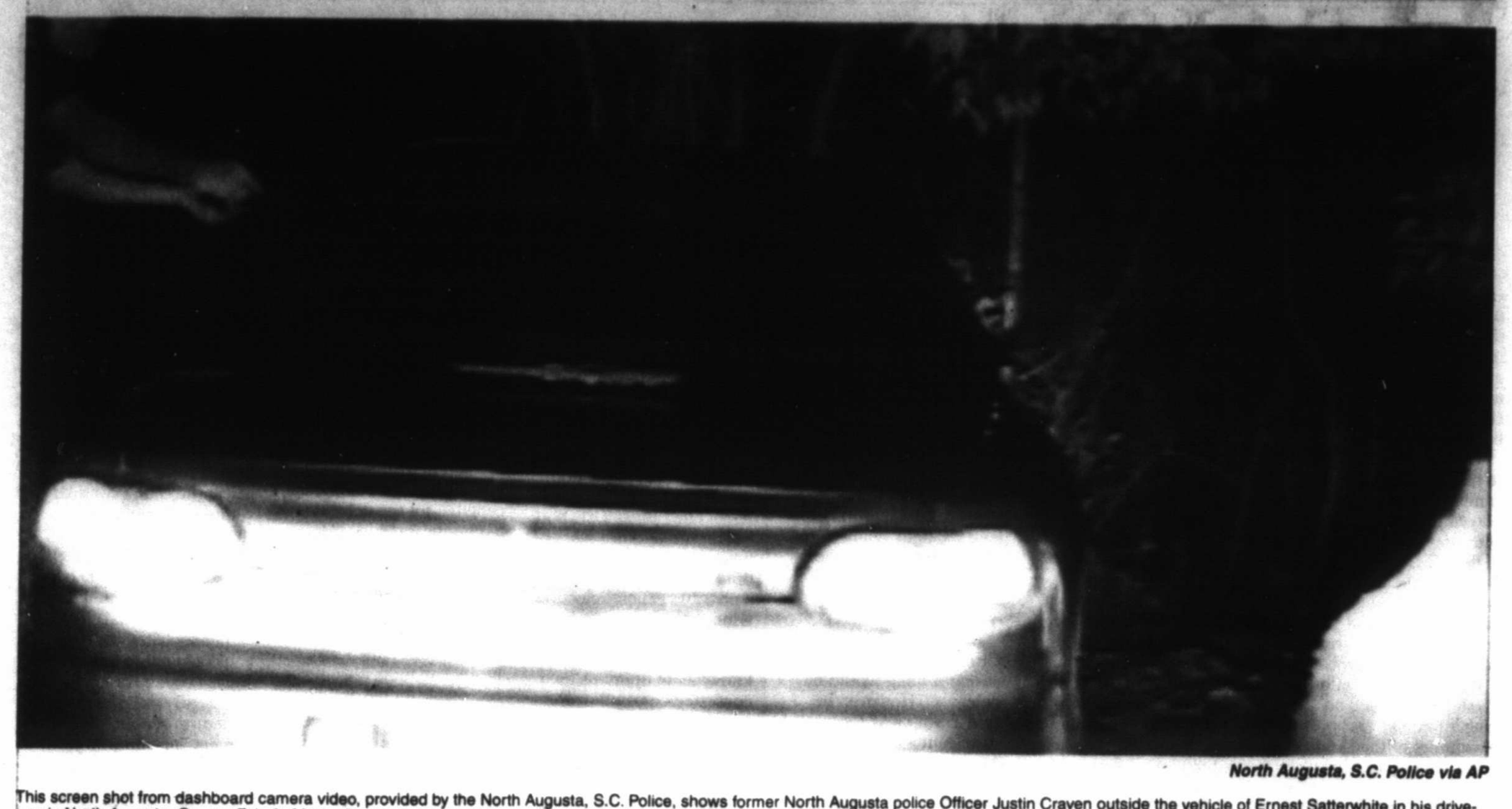

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This screen shot from dashboard camera video, provided by the North Augusta, S.C. Police, shows former North Augusta police Officer Justin Craven outside the vehicle of Ernest Satterwhite in his driveway in North Augusta, Ga., on Feb. 9, 2014, after he led police trying to stop him for drunken driving on a 13-minute chase. Craven will serve three years of probation but no time behind bars for the killing of 68-year-old Satterwhite.

Prosecutor: Despite video, officer's shooting was tough case

By Jeffrey Collins
Associated Press

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Prosecutors in the Carolinas have charged at least five white officers recently with felonies after on-duty shootings of black men, but they're finding that getting jurors to send them to prison can be a far more difficult challenge.

Solicitor Donnie Myers still believes officer Justin Craven committed a felony when he ran up to Ernest Satterwhite's car and fired repeatedly through his window as the 68-year-oid drunken-driver sat in his driveway after leading officers on a 13-mile chase.

But when he tried to indict Craven for voluntary manslaughter, the grand jury refused, returning a misdemeanor misconduct charge instead. Myers told The Associated Press that he decided then that the only way to get any justice for the dead driver was to offer a plea deal to this lesser charge.

After all, if a grand jury, with its rules favoring prosecutors, couldn't be convinced of the seriousness of Craven's actions, getting a unanimous verdict from a regular jury would be even more difficult, Myers said.

"We've got to convince all 12. All the defense has to do is convince one," Myers said.

Craven was sentenced to three years' probation and 80 hours of community service after pleading guilty Monday. The indictment accused him of "using excessive force and failing to follow and use proper procedures."

It's a challenge for prosecutors as more police officers are charged with on-duty crimes: Unless there is evidence of obvious bad intentions, jurors are often wary of second-guessing an officer's judgment call, said Tom Nolan, a professor of criminology at Merrimack College in Massachusetts.

"People have been conditioned by what they see on television to think that police officers face dangerous situations all the time," said Nolan, who was a Boston police officer for 27 years. "They give leeway, thinking these extreme situations happen frequently."

Craven's dashboard camera from February 2014 shows him charging up to Satterwhite's open window, gun in hand, and reaching inside with both arms. A struggle ensues inside the car, beyond the camera's view.

Craven said Satterwhite tried to grab his gun. The video shows him stepping back from the car before firing.

The video has no audio to tell what was being said because the battery on Craven's body microphone had gone dead, State Law Enforcement Division spokesman Thom Berry said.

Craven is the third white officer in the past year to avoid any time behind bars after being accused of felonies for killing a black man in the Carolinas.

Another officer, North Charleston's Michael Slager, is under house arrest waiting for his murder trial for fatally shooting a fleeing black motorist. And former state Trooper Sean Groubert is in jail facing up to 20 years in prison after pleading guilty in March to aggravated assault and battery for shooting a black man who was reaching for his driver's license at the officer's request.

Prosecutors charged former Eutawville Police Chief Richard Combs with murder for shooting a man trying to leave a police station, saying he escalated the confrontation. But after two hung juries, prosecutor David Pascoe agreed to a misdemeanor misconduct in office conviction and a year of home detention.

Pascoe said he doubted he could ever get a unanimous verdict in that case, the most polarizing of his 20-year career.

North Carolina prosecutors dropped a voluntary manslaughter charge against Charlotte police officer Randall Kerrick after a jury voted 8-4 to acquit him in the shooting of a black motorist who had knocked on a door seeking help after a car wreck.

In Craven's case, the officer's defense team rejected the plea offer for more than a year, even after Myers persuaded a different grand jury to indict him on the felony charge of firing into an occupied vehicle, carrying up to 10 years in prison.

Craven finally took the deal as his trial loomed this week, and Myers said he couldn't rescind the offer at that point.

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Wishes should be documented with advance directive

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One might conclude that designating April 16 as National Health Care Day is a subtle reminder that nothing is certain except death and taxes. Though neither subject is particularly pleasant to think about, or discuss, you probably know examples in which failure to do so has ended badly.

We generally regard ourselves as responsible people and plan for the future. We choose careers and spouses; we plan vacations and for the births of our children. Every day, we make decisions and discuss them with friends and family members — those whose lives are impacted by these plans, or lack thereof.

But most people do not engage in advance care planning or complete advanced directives in advance of a medical crisis or serious diagnosis. Without advance planning, patients and family members are often unprepared and emotionally devastated if a heart attack, stroke or other catastrophic event occurs. In situations when seconds and minutes matter, medical staff need to have a well-executed advance directive to guide their decisions. If a medical power of attorney is to be appointed, it should be a person who will remain relatively calm and who is able to communicate quickly and clearly with medical staff.

Starting the crucial conversation and completing an advance directive creates a legacy of love and serves as an example for others to follow. There certainly will be grief, but it won't be created by conflict, doubt and regret over uninformed and hasty decisions.

To be prepared for the unexpected, talk to your family, doctor and clergy about your values, beliefs and an acceptable quality of life. Be clear about the end-of-life treatment you want — and don't want — before a serious medical event, such as dementia, occurs.

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Sarah Meinzer is advance care planning coordinator for Midland Health.

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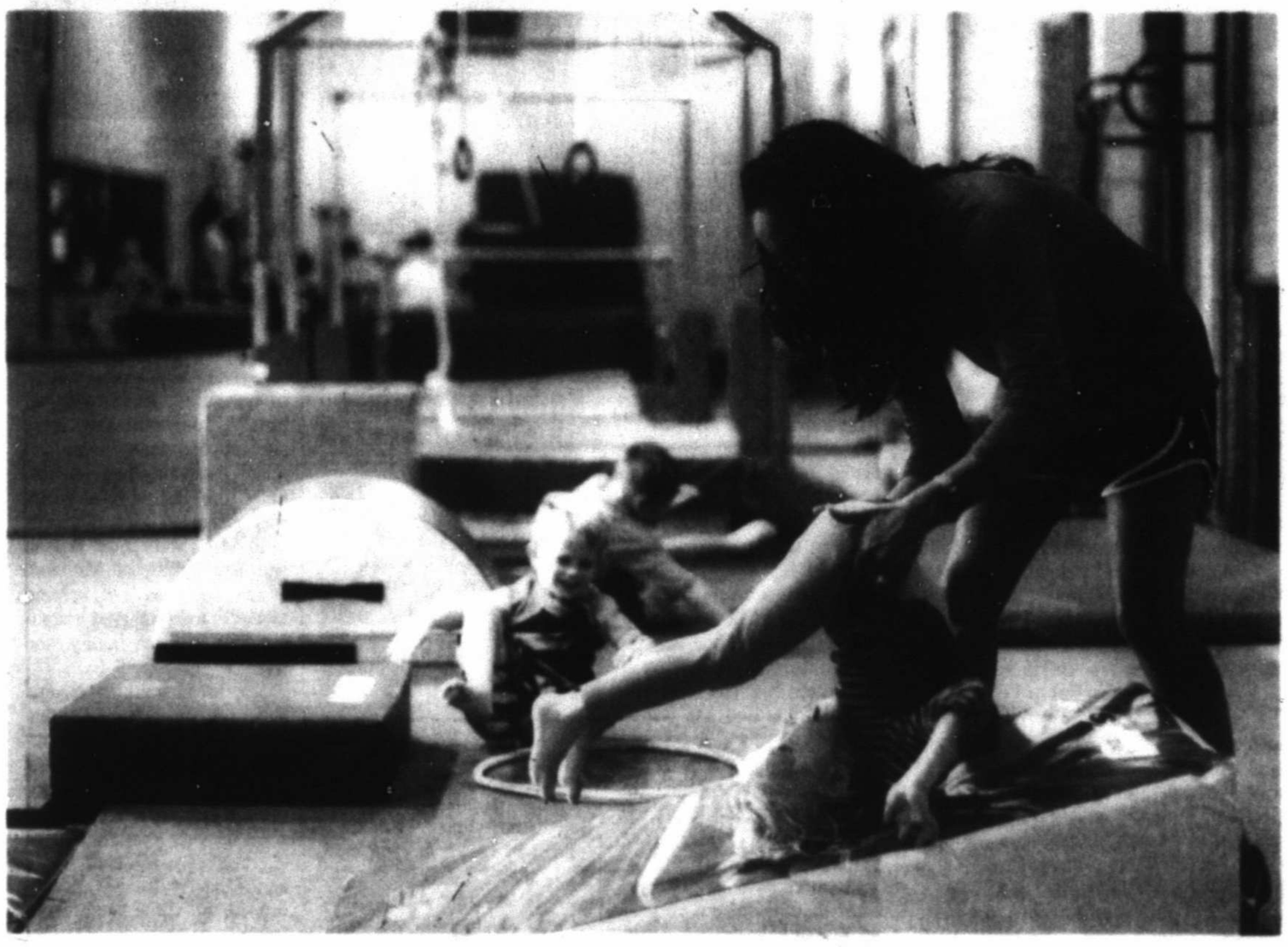

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COM Aquatics' Kids Gym is a comprehensive dive and swim preparation program, offering a variety of times and classes based on age and skill level. There is Parent Tot for ages 6 months-3, Gym for ages 3-8 and Technique and Fitness for ages 6-13.

All classes run 30 minutes in length Monday through Thursday; athletes learn basic gymnastic movements and diving fundamentals. This type of workout helps with coordination, flexibility and endurance. The skills that are learned in this program will help prepare athletes for just about any sport, with an emphasis on diving.

The program is under the direction of Emily Sanchez, program director. For more information, call 684-7755, visit www.comaquatics.com or go by the facility at 3003 N. "A" St.

Source: COM Aquatics

Psychologist: Food instincts lead to 21st century health crisis

By Erin Stone
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Eight months ago, Midlander Terry Dummer almost died. He'd had a heart attack and his wife was told he probably wouldn't make it through the night. He did make it, however, and the following day was faced with a choice from his doctor: He could either have open heart surgery or change to a completely plant-based diet.

He decided on the diet option and immediately felt a difference. He started losing weight and his cholesterol levels improved drastically. Today, he is in good health, he no longer has indigestion and only eats until he's satiated. Dummer's doctor, Staton Awtrey, probably saved his life with that suggestion.

Awtrey and his wife, registered nurse Blythe Awtrey, are leaders in the plant-based diet movement sweeping across Midland. They organize monthly gatherings where each attendee is assigned a plant-based recipe picked out by Blythe Awtrey. More than 80 people attended the April event.

Wanting to spread the word even more about the power of a plant-based diet, Awtrey invited a California-based clinical psychologist and author to speak to hospital staff about the biological implications of food addiction. Douglas Lisle gave a talk on Monday as part of MMH's continuing education program.

"The most important thing we're trying to figure out today is, why is

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Studies: Marriage boosts odds of beating cancer

By Ariana Eunjung Cha
Washington Post

The idea of a "marriage advantage" to health and happiness has existed for well over 150 years. In 1858, epidemiologist William Farr found that people who were coupled up lived the longest, while the unmarried died in much higher proportions from the diseases like cholera that were raging at the time.

The disparity, it turns out, appears to still hold true in modern-day America when it comes to one of the current leading killers: cancer.

For a pair of studies published Monday in the journal Cancer, researchers Scarlett Lin Gomez of the Cancer Prevention Institute of California and María Elena Martínez of the University of California-San Diego looked at records from a large number of Americans - some 800,000 of them, all adults diagnosed in 2000 to 2009 with invasive cancer. They sliced the data by income, race, insurance status and other factors and found that unmarried cancer patients are suffering from higher death rates than their married counterparts.

Just how big of a difference does being married appear to have on survival? Big, and for both genders, but the impact seems greater for men than women.

According to the analysis, men who were unmarried had a death rate that was 27 percent higher than those who were married. For unmarried women it was 19 percent higher.

If you're wondering what magic powers marriage conveys on cancer patients, Gomez said the pattern was only "minimally" explained by the larger economic resources couples get by pooling their resources. That might give them access to things like private health insurance and the ability to live in nicer neighborhoods which have also been correlated with higher survival rates.

But Gomez said their analysis shows that money doesn't explain the extent of the protective effects and points instead to "social support as a key driver."

Gregory Masters, an oncologist who works at the Helen F. Graham Cancer Center in Newark, Delaware, explained to HealthDay that it has to do with the care of "a devoted caregiver." "It suggests that a concerted effort to evaluate a patient's psychosocial resources may be as important as other factors in helping to improve cancer survival," Masters told the publication.

The researchers found that the beneficial effect of marriage holds across different racial and ethnic lines but to varying degrees. White men and women benefited the most, Hispanics and Asians the least. But people of Hispanic and Asian origin who were born in the United States appeared to see a greater benefit than those who were born abroad.

Martinez suggested that the research shows that in the future unmarried patients may need new types of interventions to increase their chances of survival. But Bernard Rachet from the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine said it's too soon to jump to any strong conclusions. Rachet pointed out to Guardian that the paper does not address such issues as whether patients married or divorced after their diagnosis, had relationships similar to marriage or whether they also had other co-existing conditions and diseases that may explain the difference in death rates.

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Obituaries

Clifton Wilderspin

Clifton "Cliff" Wilderspin, 94, passed peacefully in his sleep on the morning of April 7, 2016. He was born February 23, 1922 to Clifton and Alta "Estelle" Wilderspin in Grand Saline, Texas. It was the challenging experiences of his youth that inspired him to strike out into the world.

After graduating from Paschal High School in Ft. Worth Texas, Cliff joined the National Guard in 1938, and was then assigned to the 56th Army Calvary Brigade, where he served as Platoon Sergeant at Fort Brown in Brownsville Texas, until 1942. Later he served with the Army Air Corps where he trained bombardiers. Upon moving to Midland in 1947, Cliff worked with Pure Oil Co. as a scout, and for Honolulu Oil Co. and ultimately transitioned into a lengthy career as an Independent Landman. In 1965 Cliff partnered with Bernie House to form the independent land brokerage company called Wilderspin & House, Inc. He remained in the oil and gas industry for the rest of his days. Cliff was a member of the American Association of Petroleum Landmen; Permian Basin Landman's Association and New Mexico Landman's Association. Cliff was a member of the Masons and he was an active supporter of the Shriners Children's Hospitals.

He married Terrence Kearney in November of 1943 in San Angelo and had one daughter, Cheryl. Cliff and Terry bought a ranch in Las Vegas, New Mexico in the early 1980's. They raised cattle and bred and raised race horses, which was a passion of Cliff's for 36 years. In his younger days, he enjoyed playing Polo, golfing, hunting and fishing. He also acquired his pilot's license in 1956 and enjoyed flying planes for many years. Cliff and Terry loved Midland, their friends, family and of course, their dogs.

Those who knew him best remember Cliff as a kind but strong man. Cliff will always be remembered for his ornery personality and eyebrow raising advice. He was always quick to help a friend, and was equally as quick to tease a friend in good natured jest. He was a master story-teller and captivated many an audience with tales ranging from humorous to heartbreaking. His second home was found out at Midland Country Club, where his wit and company was most often shared around a game of gin.

We thank you all for your generosity, friendship and support of "Cliff". A special thank you to the staff and volunteers at Hospice of Midland. We appreciate all of your time and thoughtfulness. He was in great hands with all of you and we are grateful to have had such loving, caring people around to help.

Cliff is preceded in death by his parents, his wife, daughter and sister, Roberta Reuter. He is survived by three grandsons, Dustin Pannell and wife Christine of Midland, Texas; Colton Pannell and wife Melissa of Aledo, Texas; and Nathan Pannell of Midland, Texas. Also, three great grandchildren, Sydney Pannell, Ryan Pannell and Katelynn Pannell. His nephew, Bob and wife Karen Reuter and family, and cousin Jack Wilderspin and family, from Cambridge England.

Cliff was an oilman, rancher, cowboy and friend who lived a long and fulfilling life, bringing laughter and love to all who knew him. He will be deeply missed.

Cliff's wishes were to have his ashes spread at the family ranch in New Mexico. A memorial service will be held at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home Chapel* in Midland Texas, Saturday April 16, 2016 at 1:00 pm. Immediately following the service, the family will receive friends to honor and celebrate the life of Cliff, at the Midland Country Club. In lieu of flowers please make donations to Hospice of Midland or charity of your choice.

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

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Florence Doss

Florence Gwaltney Doss died peacefully on the morning of April 11, 2016 after a 12 year battle with Alzheimer's Disease. Florence was born on August 13, 1923 in Jacksboro, Texas, to Agnes Wilkins and Raymond L. Gwaltney. Florence graduated from Jacksboro High School in 1940 and from Weatherford Junior College in 1942. There she met Hyle Cox Doss of Seminole. After Hyle's service in the U.S. Navy, they were married on December 9, 1945. During their married life, Florence and Hyle lived in San Diego, Jacksboro, Seminole and Midland, where they have lived since 1973.

While in Seminole, Florence was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church and the choir, and was a charter and life member of the Music Club. Also during this time, she was a loving mother to their three children, Danny, Skeet and Polli.

When they moved to Midland in 1973, Florence and Hyle joined First Presbyterian Church. She was a faithful Women's Bible Circle leader and moderator, a Sunday School teacher, an Elder of the church, President of the Women of the Church and was an active member and the first president of the Permian Basin Landwives' Association. Florence was an avid reader and was often called upon by many women's groups in the area to present book reviews. She also enjoyed serving as a recording reader for the Recording Library for the Blind and playing bridge.

She was preceded in death by her parents; son, Daniel Hyle; two brothers, Kenneth Gwaltney and Gerald Roderick Gwaltney. She is survived by her husband; children, Skeet and wife Nancy of Midland; and Polli Doss Satterwhite of College Station. She is also survived by grandchildren, Zachary Hyle Doss and wife Vickie of Midland; Dixie and husband Jason Marburger of Round Rock; Randi and husband Chris Daniel of College Station; Ross Satterwhite and Brett Satterwhite; and five great grandchildren, Wyatt and June Doss, Lee Daniel, Caleb and Kyleigh Marburger; as well as a brother, Pascal Gwaltney, and numerous nieces and nephews and their families.

The family would like to thank Janice, Jennifer, Lisa and the many others at Serenity Living who lovingly cared for Florence for over seven years and also to the caregivers from Hospice Midland.

A memorial service to celebrate Florence's life will be held on Saturday, April 16th, at 11:00 a.m. at First Presbyterian Church in Midland. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hospice of Midland, First Presbyterian Church of Midland or a charity of the donor's choice.

A glimpse of Florence's words from her heart: A speaker once opened a memorial service with words, "We have not come to a funeral service today; we have come to a coronation." A coronation ceremony is a time of celebration and gladness among the subjects of a kingdom. It is an occasion of solemn and holy significance to the sovereign as he assumes his inheritance and enters upon a new and greater life. We may well liken the passing of a faithful soul into Heaven as such an occasion. It is a time of sweet release from pain and the infirmities of the years. The trials of earth have ended. Death is the invitation God gives us to go farther on, where there is still greater beauty to behold, still deeper mystery to be solved, still greater fellowship to be enjoyed, a still greater height to climb. It is a time of triumph for the Christian.

Arrangements were made with Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home and Chapel. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to: pipkin@nts-online.net or you can visit our website at *lewallengarciapipkinfh.com*

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Genevieve Irene Ketter

November 6, 1920 - April 11, 2016

Genevieve Irene Ketter, daughter of James and Anna Fleming, is predeceased by her husband, John R. Ketter, on December 25, 1990; brothers, John, Archie, Clarence, Boots, and Francis; and by sisters, Florence and Grace.

She is survived by her children, Bob (YoYo), Jim (Yolanda), Mike, Pat Snyder (Wes), Mary Ketter, and Beth Frederickson (Bill); 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; and by several nieces and nephews.

Ginny arrived in Texas in 1952. She and John purchased Green Acres Miniature Golf Course in 1956. They enjoyed many years at Green Acres and retired in 1984.

Ginny was a lifelong member of Parent-Teacher Association and spent several years as a Pink Lady at Midland Memorial Hospital.

She was a parishioner of St. Ann's Catholic Church and volunteered there often. She played many rounds of bridge and poker with her pals.

We would like to thank the staff at Serenity Living for taking such great care of MeMe. We truly appreciate it.

There will be a Rosary at St. Ann's Catholic Church on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

A Mass will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, April 15, 2016 also at St. Ann's.

In lieu of flowers, please make a contribution to St. Ann's Catholic School to the attention of Joan Wilmes at 2000 W. Texas, Midland, Texas 79701.

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Hanna Darden

Johanna Faith (Hershberger) Darden, "Hanna," went to heaven Saturday April 9, 2016 at her home in Spring Branch, Texas surrounded by her loving family. Hanna was born in Beeville, Texas on September 18, 1985 to Gary and Sandra Hershberger.

Hanna was preceded in death by her mother Sandra (Hurt) Hershberger in 1993; her aunt, Pamela (Hershberger) Morris in 1995; her grandpa, Leonard E. Hershberger in 2001; her first cousin Lil' John M. Hurt, III in 2005; and by her grandpa John M. Hurt, Sr. in 2006.

Hanna is survived by her beloved husband Blake Darden; son Hunter Darden, daughter Addison Darden; dad Gary Hershberger (stepmom Sheila Hershberger); mother-in-law Michelle (Bill) Barnes; grandma Juanita Hershberger; grandma Martha (Hurt) Mink; sister Rebecca Wilson; (step-sister Shelby Hancock; brothers Matthew Hershberger and Daniel Hershberger; sisters-in-law Brandi (Shannon) Rice and Brittany Osborne; brother-in-law Dillon Barnes; aunts Gwenda Hurt and Pamela Hurt; uncles John J. Hershberger and John M. Hurt, Jr.; nieces Adri, Ally, Kayleigh, Lily, Jordan; nephews Noah, Levi, Tristen; first cousins Katie, Timothy, David and Cassandra.

Hanna was a very independent, head strong and goal achiever starting at a very young age. She was raised up in church so she was crowned Missionette. Being a challenge seeker and loved cheerleading. She sang like an angel, so she sang the national anthem at many a game and competed with either placing or won. She was an honor student at Falls City graduating with the class of 2004. Hanna started college at TSU in San Marcos where she met Blake Darden and fell in love. They married July 2007 then moved to Midland and she finished college with a Bachelor's Degree in Student Counseling with the class of 2008. Hanna had her son Hunter Darden in January 2009 and her daughter Addison Darden in November 2010. She had her perfect family made from love with a happy life. She was diagnosed with Inflammatory Breast Cancer November, 2011.

Hanna's bravery, endurance, courage, hope and tolerance was inspirational to many. She was "loved" by all that knew her. Her 4 ½ year fight is over and she is now shouting "Victory" in heaven.

Hanna's wish was to spread awareness about Inflammatory Breast Cancer *NO LUMP, STILL CANCER*, www.theibcnetwork.org. Because IBC is so rare very little research is being done to find a cure. There is a 40% chance of a five year survival rate.

A funeral service will be held at 1:00 pm at Rhodes Funeral Home on Wednesday April 13th. Burial will follow in the Brister Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Matthew Hershberger, Trey Farmer, Daniel Hershberger, Michael Wilson, Cody Huwe and Chris Bryant. Funeral arrangements entrusted to Rhodes Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers we ask that donations be made to *gofundme.com/HannaDarden*

James Alford Simmons

James Alford (Jimbo) Simmons, 84, of Midland, Texas, passed away on April 8, 2016.

James was born in Roby, Texas on September 4, 1931. He attended Seminole High School where he met his wife of 59 years, Laverna Wauson. James and Laverna were married on July 8, 1950.

James worked as a carpenter and painter until he retired at 80 years of age. He loved spending time with his family. Studying the Bible and sharing its message with others was very important to him. He enjoyed working as a volunteer with the kindergarten classes at Jane Long Elementary, affectionately known as Papa James.

James is preceded in death by his spouse, Laverna; son, James (Bo) Simmons, Jr.; sisters, Frances Daniels and Betty Shelley; and brothers Oran J. Simmons and Dan Simmons.

James is survived by his daughter, Linda Odom of Midland; sons, Mark Simmons of Midland; and Charles Simmons and wife, Cyndi, of Stamford; Bill Simmons and wife, Peggy, of Midland; and John Simmons and wife, Serina, of Girvin; daughter, Rita Scott and husband, Darryl Scott, of Ft. Stockton; 28 grandchildren, 59 great grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren. He is also survived by his sisters, Clara Hammit of Midland; Georgia Shipman of Lubbock; Vera Covington of Midland; and brother, William Simmons of Lubbock; and a host of nephews and nieces.

James will be greatly missed by all of his family and friends.

Visitation will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, April 12th at Ellis Funeral Home. The graveside service will be held at 3pm on April 13th at Resthaven Memorial Park with Darryl Scott officiating. Online condolences may be offered at *ellisfunerals.com*

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Kathy Lou Doshier

Kathy Lou Doshier was born on August 9, 1948, in Monahans, Texas, to parents Cecil and Verna (née McKee) Daugherty. She was the eldest of two daughters. She lived in Imperial and Winters during her early years before attending and graduating High School from Crane, Texas, in 1966. Her work on earth being done, God called her home on April 7, 2016, at the age of 67.

After High School, she lived and worked in various places in Texas, landing back in Crane in 1976. She worked several jobs in Crane before landing a job with Getty Oil Company. It was there she met her future husband, Tim Doshier. They married on November 22, 1980, in Crane. Over the next 35 years, they lived a semi-nomadic, oil-company lifestyle traveling through various places before settling in Kingwood, Texas, in 1994. Together, they raised four children: Jeff (Sheri) of Charlotte, North Carolina; Annabeth (Mike) of Kingwood; Patrick of CyFair, Texas; and Christopher (Kathryn) also of CyFair, Texas.

Wherever she lived, Kathy was an active teacher. In church she taught pre-school kids, and at the Christian School of Kingwood, she gave many young children a good foundation in the basics of education as well as providing them a living example of a Christian spouse and parent. Everywhere she went, she was admired and loved by the children that surrounded her. Kathy also had many hidden talents that came to surface through the natural affection that she freely gave to anyone in need; things such as the lost art of calligraphy. Sending a plain card or note was "just not good enough".

She was also the family counselor. Children, grandchildren, friends, co-workers - anybody who met her - found it very easy to talk to her. She had a gift for listening and then saying the right thing at the right time. She could give wise advice by sometimes not even saying a word - just a hug or a hand-squeeze was all that was needed. Her acts of selflessness and love for others quietly guided the lives of family and friends alike. In everything she did, she always put God first and placed the needs of others ahead of her own desires.

She is preceded in death by her mother in 1992, her father in 2003, and one grandchild, Brooklyn Rae Doshier, in 2009. She is survived by her sister Linda, her children and ten grandchildren: Haley (Eric), Justin, Jason, Kole, Kaleb, Kitchell, Kayden, Isabella, Caroline and Ezekiel.

A memorial service will be held at the Kingwood Church of Christ on Saturday, April 9, at 2PM. A coffee and dessert reception will follow. She will be interred in Rosewood Cemetery, Humble, at the foot of the statue of John.

She exemplified the life of a Christian wife and mother which can be summed up by this quote from Proverbs 31 - *"...a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate."*

In lieu of flowers, the family requests your memorial donations go to Freedom Place, a home for teenage girls that have been abused. Donations should be sent to Arrow Child and Family Ministries, 2929 FM 2920, Spring, TX 77388. Mark your donations with "In memory of Kathy Doshier specifically for Freedom Place".

Linda Cote

Linda Cote, age 63, went to be with our Lord April 10, 2016 in Midland, TX. Linda was born in San Angelo, Texas on May 28th, 1952.

She worked most of her life in the service of others as a hospice nurse and home caregiver, which was fitting of her caring and loving nature. Throughout her career she touched many lives and made many lifelong friends. Over the last several years she became close friends with Mrs. Mary Lou Wilson and her family of Midland. When she was not helping others, Linda enjoyed spending time with her family and friends.

She loved working on arts and craft projects and going to the movies.

She was especially fond of spoiling her two dogs Shadow and Summer.

Linda was a loving daughter, mother, sister and friend and she will be deeply missed by those she leaves behind.

Linda is survived by her mother Jean Knittel; her brother Joey Knittel, sister in law Tonya Knittel all of Midland; daughter, Kimberly and son in law David Binyon of San Angelo; son, William Cote and daughter in law Sarah Cote, granddaughters Addison and Avery Cote all of Dallas; nephews Mike and Chris Knittel and nieces Amanda Knittel-Fitting and Sterling Knittel-Kelly.

She was preceded in death by her father Bill Knittel, husband Earl Cote, and brother Johnny Knittel all of Midland.

There will be a Visitation held on Thursday, April 14th, from 6pm to 8pm at Ellis Funeral Home in Midland Texas. A Graveside service will be held Friday, April 15th at 1pm at Serenity Memorial Gardens in Midland Texas.

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Lois Brewer

Lois Brewer, 98, passed away at her home on Tuesday, April 12, 2016.

Graveside service will be held 3 p.m. Friday, April 15, 2016 in the Albany Cemetery, Albany, Texas. Visitation: 4-5:30 p.m. Thursday at Thompson's Harveson & Cole Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memori-

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als may be given to Matthews Memorial Presbyterian Church, Albany, Texas, the Old Jail Art Center, Albany, Texas, or a charity of choice.

Lois was born September 2, 1917 in Medicine Mound, Texas, where her father was a teacher. She graduated from San Antonio Technical High School in 1936 and was the first first female president of a senior class. She then attended the University of Texas.

Along with her friends, Margaret Putnam and Jo Taylor, she petitioned for a charter for the P.T.A. in Albany, Texas and served in various offices. She served as president of the Albany Study Club, a member of the Albany Garden Club, and lifetime member of the Girls Service League of Fort Worth and received her 50 year pin as a member of the Albany O.E.S.

She was a member of Matthews Memorial Presbyterian Church in Albany where she served as president of the the Sallie Matthews Circle. She was also a docent at the Old Jail Art Center.

Lois was famous for her hummingbird cakes. The minister at church even gave a sermon in reference to her cakes. She also crocheted edges on baby blankets, many of which are used today by her descendents and numerous families in Albany.

Lois was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, Rex Brewer; sister, Dorothy; and son in law, Charles E. (Chuck) Jacobs.

Survivors include daughter, Marcia Brewer Jacobs; grandchildren, Michelle dePlante and Marc dePlante and his wife, Brandy; great grandchildren, Madison Brown and Jacob dePlante; and nephew Ronald Stewart Ledbetter.

Arrangements are trusted to Thompson's Harveson & Cole Funeral Home and Crematory 702 Eighth Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas 76104

Margaret V. Greathouse

Margaret V. Greathouse, 84, of Midland, passed away on Sunday, April 10, 2016. The family will receive friends on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 from 6:00PM-8:00PM at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 2:00PM at Church of Jesus Christ Latter Day Saints, 4805 Gateway St, Midland, TX, 79707. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery in Midland.

Margaret was born on September 28, 1931 to James and Effie Gates in Downeysville, LA. She was a loving mother, grandmother and a faithful member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

She is survived by her four sons, Robert, Barry, George and Danny Sanders; brother, James Gates and his wife, Jo-Ann; niece, Tina McCarver; nephews, Robert and Scott Gates; 16 grandchildren; 17 great grandchildren; and stepchildren, Donny Greathouse, Terri Moore, Renell Sanders and Vicki Joiner.

She is preceded in death by her father and mother, James and Effie Gates; brother, Ira Lamar Gates and husband, Billy Ray Greathouse.

The family would like to express their gratitude towards the loving and supportive members of her church family.

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

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Michael Menasco

Michael Don Menasco was born on October 25, 1971 in Lubbock, Texas to Jack and Donna Menasco. Michael graduated from Texas Tech University in 1996, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 2000, and became an ordained minister in 2002 in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He was currently serving as Executive Pastor at Crestview Baptist Church in Midland, Texas. He married the love of his life, April Cagle of Amarillo, Texas on September 13, 1997.

Michael passionately loved his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, his family, and those he was called to serve.

With Christ as the center and focus of his life, Michael honored his parents, was the knight in shining armor to his wife April, and will forever be a hero and example to his children Kylie and Brett, just as his father Jack was a hero and mentor to him.

Those who knew Michael knew that he could often be found with his family at his side, a Coke in his hand, his dog Stevie Ray at his feet, and something delicious cooking on his grill.

While Michael leaves behind his precious family and friends, he also leaves behind a legacy of a life well lived. He leaves behind an example for all of how to walk faithfully with God, unconditionally love a family, and sacrificially serve others. Well done, good and faithful servant!

Michael is survived by his wife April, daughter Kylie, and son Brett; parents Jack and Donna Menasco of Lubbock, Texas; brother Monte Menasco, niece Allison, and nephew Seth of Lubbock, Texas; father and mother-in-law Anson and Sue Cagle of Amarillo, Texas; brother and sister-in-law David and Monica Holmes, nephew John-David, and niece Ashlyn of Amarillo, Texas.

He is preceded in death by his sister Teresa-Marie Menasco and his grandparents.

The family received friends on Tuesday, April 12, 2016 from 5:30-7:30 pm at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland. Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 2:30 pm at Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock, TX. Memorial services will be held on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 10:30 am at Crestview Baptist Church in Midland.

The family would like to express their gratitude towards the staff, family, and friends of Crestview Baptist Church and Midland Classical Academy. It was truly his honor to know you and serve you.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Crestview Baptist Church "Forward by Faith" Building Fund. Contact the church via email at cbc@cbctx.org or call (432) 681-8200.

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Death Notices

David Moffatt

David Moffatt, 61, of Midland, Texas, passed away on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 in Midland, Texas. He is survived by his brother. A memorial service will be held on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at American Heritage Cemetery. Funeral Home, Crematory. 4100 N. FM-1788, Midland, Texas, 79707. Arrangements are entrusted to American Heritage Cemetery. Funeral Home, Crematory.

Ready to switch?

The Diabetes Nutrition Learning Center is planning a series of classes about transitioning to a plant-based diet. For more information, call 221-3045.

Free online food education summit from April 30-May 8: http://foodrevolutionsummit.org

Interested in joining the Awtreys' plant-based community monthly events? Email plantpuretexas@gmail.com

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it so hard to move in the right direction even once you know the right direction to go?" Lisle said at his presentation. "We're gonna find that the answer is not in the human being too stressed, having too much to do, or that people have been sold by advertising etc. That's not what's going on. What's gonna happen here is that we're gonna see these are instincts. Our instincts are in trouble and the instincts are the most trusted advisors in the history of any animal."

Instincts, located in neural circuits of the brain, lead humans to seek out sources of food with the highest sugar, fat and salt quantities because that was the best way to survive when we subsisted primarily by hunting and gathering, Lisle said. This leads to what he calls "The Pleasure Trap," which is the name of his book.

"No creature was designed to deal with this amount of access to supernormal stimuli (like drugs, and sugary/salty/fatty foods)," Lisle said. "That's what makes this extraordinarily difficult as a challenge. You're (instinctually) looking for the highest concentration of sugar, salt and fat in natural foods. Those were the healthiest decisions you could possibly make."

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Surgery begins to separate infant conjoined twins in Corpus Christi

Associated Press

CORPUS CHRISTI — Surgery is underway in Texas to separate two 10-month-old sisters born conjoined below the waist.

Driscoll Children's Hospital spokesman Jeff Salzgeber says the hourslong operation began Tuesday morning.

Ximena (huh-MEE-nuh) and Scarlett Hernandez-Torres share a colon and bladders that will be reconstructed.

Their identical triplet sister, Catalina, was born without serious health issues.

The hospital staff has cared for the conjoined girls since they were transferred to the Corpus Christi facility hours after birth.

Dr. Haroon Patel says a team of specialists has been working for months to prepare for the surgery, which could last 12 to 18 hours.

A hospital statement says doctors have a positive outlook for the children's recovery. The girls will require additional surgeries as they grow.

The future won't wait.

Join us for an informational meeting about the academic performance of our Midland public schools and how we can make changes for the better.

Meeting Dates and Locations:

Free dinner provided for the first 100 guests.

Monday, April 4
6-7:30 pm
Stonegate Fellowship
6000 W. Wadley Ave.
Midland

Thursday, April 7
6-7:30 pm
First Presbyterian Church
800 W. Texas Ave.
Midland

Tuesday, April 12
Presentation in Spanish Only
6-7:30 pm
Hispanic Cultural Center of Midland
1311 E. Wadley
(Inside Hogan Park)

Thursday, April 14
6-7:30 pm
Greater Ideal Family Life Center
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HEALTHBRIEFS

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

Coalition to collect medications

The Midland Coalition is planning medication take-back event 10 a.m.-2 p.m. April 30 at Polo Park Estates, 2100 Castleford Road.

Accepted are medications that are expired or no longer needed — prescription and over-the-counter — vitamins, nebulizer solutions, medication supplies and inhalers. Items that are not accepted are oxygen tanks, nebulizer mahines, IV bags and syringes.

The coalition has collected more than 2 million pills since its first take-back event in September 2010, according to a press release from the group.

SHARE expands services

SHARE — Sharing Hands A Respite Experience — will be expanding its respite care program to include families that have children with medical needs, or those considered "medically fragile," according to a press release from the nonprofit.

To apply for SHARE's services, submit a completed application to Monika Lozano at mlozano@sharewtx.org. The application is at www.sharewtx.org under the documents tab.

For more information, call 818-1253.

Casa de Amigos plans diabetes lectures

A series of lectures on diabetes continues at 6 p.m. Monday and April 25 at Casa de Amigos. Topics include nutrition, kidney disease, stroke and eye disease.

For more information, call 682-9701.

NEW MEXICO

UNM installs campus lactation stations

ALBUQUERQUE — The University of New Mexico has installed 21 "lactation stations" on campus for breastfeeding mothers, and the state's other universities might be following its lead.

KRQE-TV reported that the university also has a new lactation policy and a breastfeeding support group. Women on the campus said the lactation stations are a huge relief and prevent the need to breastfeed or pump in restrooms.

The New Mexico Breastfeeding Task Force is impressed with UNM's lactation policy and wants to use it as an example for other colleges and universities in the state. The task force's workplace liaison, M.J. Vargas, said the policy helps reduce the disparity for moms going back to school.

Central New Mexico Community College and New Mexico State University have also added lactation stations.

Support groups this week

■ Caregiver support, noon today, HospiceMidland 911 W. Texas Ave., 682-2855.

■ Chronic fatigue fibromyalgia syndromes support group noon Thursday at Rays of Hope Grief Centre; 520-3500.

■ West Texas Amputee Support Group, 11 a.m. Saturday, HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital; 550-4371.

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

■ The Helping Hand Metastatic Cancer Support Group meets noon Tuesday at Texas Tech Physicians of the Permian Basin Clinic, Room 210B. Lunch will be served. To RSVP , call Amber Chavez at 620-1023.

Weekly support groups & hotlines

■ TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 5:30-7:30 p.m. Thursdays, Christian Church of Midland, 2609 Neely Ave. 694-8643.

■ Overeaters Anonymous; 7-8 p.m. Tuesdays and 3-4 p.m. Sundays; B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.

■ Survivors of sexual abuse; interactive Bible study to help deal with the consequences of sexual abuse meets Tuesdays. Child care available; House of Hope, 570-5935.

■ Alcoholics Anonymous — hotline 580-7868.

■ Serenity Group, 8 p.m. daily, 3101 N. A St., Building C; 685-3100.

■ 710 Group, 7 a.m., noon and 8 p.m. Wednesdays, 710 Ohio Ave.; 682-8162.

■ Alpha Omega, 8 p.m Tuesdays and 11 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays, 311 S. Pecos St.

■ 12-Step Group of Alcoholics Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays, 10 a.m. Saturdays; 206 N. Midkiff Road; 697-0272.

■ Narcotics Anonymous — hotline 582-2926.

■ Laundry Group, 8 p.m. daily and noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 104 N. Marshall St.

■ Xodus Group, 5:30 p.m. Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 7 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays, 206 N. Midkiff Road.

■ CODA Group, 12-step program for relationships, 7 p.m. Thursdays, 206 N. Midkiff Road; 697-0272.

■ La Hacienda Alumni, support group for former patients, 7 p.m. Thursdays, 206 N. Midkiff Road; 697-0272.

MMH payment options

Midland Memorial Hospital recognizes that our community is facing challenging financial times. Resources are tight and families are having to make important decisions about what to spend money on now and what has to wait.

Realizing health care can be expensive and the increasing deductibles make it hard to manage, the hospital has adjusted its payment procedures. We want to make sure you receive the care you need, when you need it. To find out about the new options now offered to better accommodate your payment needs, call 221-4705.

Source: Midland Memorial Hospital

How sick are you?

Midland Memorial Hospital offers a a nurse triage program "68-NURSE."

The program is designed to help people determine whether their health situation warrants a trip to the emergency room. Midland residents can call the line by dialing 686-8773.

The program is free and available 24 hours a day-365 days a year.

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MARCIA NORTON

Centers for Children and Families

'Spring cleaning' helps maintain mind

When the days start getting warmer, I start to get spring fever. I can't wait to enjoy the outdoors (yes, even with my allergies). I love to take the dogs for a walk, especially when we visit our neighbors' new baby goats just down the road. There is also a bounty of fresh vegetables at the Farmers' Market.

This also is the time you think about spring cleaning your home. But why not have a spring cleaning of your mind, which often gets cluttered with old junk — attitudes, habits, ideas, hurts. Holding on to negativity is not healthy. Here are a few tips on the routine cleaning needed to maintain your mind.

■ Clean up your relationships. Many of us hang on to past relationships that are not good for us and are way past the "best when used by this date." If a relationship is not good for you, let it go.

■ Throw out negative emotions. Negative emotions such as anger, hatred and jealously also can be detrimental to your health and can affect all aspects of your physical well-being. If you hold on to negative emotions, especially toward another peraon, it only brings you down. The other person is not affected at all.

■ Clear up your schedule. It seems like we need more than 24 hours to fit in everything we want to do each day. Think about how you are spending your time. Don't waste precious hours on things that don't really matter; instead, spend time on what you really enjoy.

■ Wash away procrastination. Putting things off sets you up for frustration. You will find yourself wondering if you completed certain tasks. Going back in time to track your past actions is a real time-killer. You will be missing out on the present by reliving yesterday.

■ Dust off your attitude. Strip off the negative and put on a fresh coat of positive. A positive attitude can begin by being generous and helping others. Why not practice random acts of kindness? Buy the coffee of the guy in line behind you; hold open the door for a stranger; visit a friend in the hospital; give directions to someone who appears lost; hold someone's hand.

Be sure to balance your own emotional needs with the needs of those close to you. Your friends and family need you to be the best you can be. Learn to love yourself. Remind yourself that you are important and appreciated. Finally, reap the rewards and enjoy all your hard work.

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TODAY: Mostly cloudy	THURSDAY: Mostly sunny	FRIDAY: Mostly sunny	SATURDAY: Mostly sunny	SUNDAY: Mostly sunny	MONDAY: Mostly sunny
High: 76 Low: 55	High: 83 Low: 61	High: 82 Low: 62	High: 77 Low: 55	High: 76 Low: 54	High: 76 Low: 56

Local forecast

There is a 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms today and Friday, according to the National Weather Service. Highs will be about normal or a little higher over the next few days, the NWS said.

The record high for April 12 is 99 set in 1972. The record low is 25 set in 1997. On April 12 of last year, the high was 85 and the low was 59.

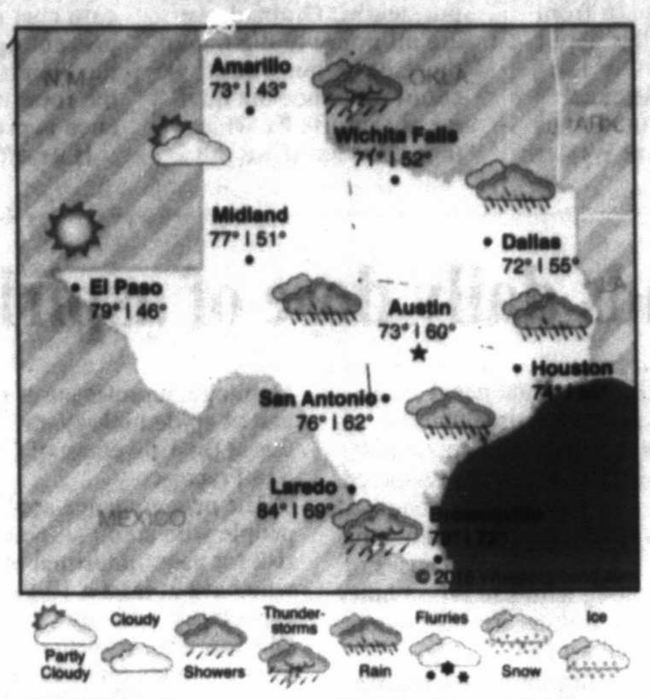
Weather brief

ARKANSAS

Lightning, possible static, blamed for fires

EL DORADO — Thunderstorms with high winds and frequent lightning rolled across Arkansas' southern counties on Monday, bowling over trees and starting a number of fires.

Forecasters at the Storm Prediction Center said the threat could last into Monday evening over the southern two-thirds of the state. The chance of tornadoes was low, but not zero.



Precipitation

Monday	0.00 in.
Tuesday	0.14 in.
Month total	1.22 in.
Year total	2.04 in.
Normal total (year to date)	2.13 in.

Tuesday's temperatures

High	55
Low	51
Normal high	78
Normal low	48
Sunrise	7:22 a.m.
Sunset	8:17 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, April 13

Breakdown in communication has serious, lasting consequences

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 am a junior in high school. Last year, a guy I have known for two years began showing a sexual interest in me. I rejected his advances. Last week, he began expressing his interest again, letting me know he wanted to have sex. He invited me to study — only study — but said we "might" make out.

I was a virgin and had never even kissed anyone before. I had just gotten out of a relationship that didn't end very well, so I liked the attention. I decided I was fine with just kissing, but as soon as I got in his truck, he started to feel me up. He took me to a semi-isolated area and we ended up having sex. It wasn't fun or pleasurable. I told him he was hurting me, but he didn't stop until the third time I said it. He was very upset with me. He only cared about me pleasuring him.

I told two of my close friends about what happened. One said he had essentially raped me. The other said it doesn't count as rape because even though I said it hurt, I didn't say it forcefully enough. Abby, what do you think? — UNCERTAIN IN ILLINOIS

DEAR UNCERTAIN: It appears you and that boy had a severe breakdown in communication, which led to your being sexually assaulted. He had made no secret that he wanted sex with you, and may have interpreted your willingness to kiss him after he took you somewhere other than what was agreed upon as a signal that you were willing, even though you didn't say so.

Date rape happens when a fellow ends up coercing or forcing a girl to have sex without her consent. Unless a girl explicitly expresses her willingness to proceed, it is the responsibility of the boy NOT to proceed.

To me, what happened illustrates how important it is for parents to talk to their sons and daughters about responsible behavior because failure to do that can have lifelong consequences for both. If you haven't already done so, you should tell your parents what happened. However, if you don't feel safe doing that, tell a counselor at school.

DEAR ABBY: Can you give me a complete list of etiquette rules for parents with divorced children? My daughter and her ex-husband are constantly battling over issues regarding their two children. Her ex is engaged, and his soon-to-be wife gives her opinion on everything to do with parenting the kids. This is causing a continuous battle, and it isn't good for the children. — GRANDMA IN MINNESOTA

DEAR GRANDMA: I will offer just one "rule." Divorced parents should remember that above all, what's most important is what's best for the children and maintain consistency wherever possible between the households.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Nice block

Neither vulnerable. North deals.

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

WEST
♠ A 10 3
♡ Q 10 9
◇ 7 5 3 2
♣ K 6 3

EAST
♠ 8 4 2
♡ K 7 6 5 2
◇ A 10 9 6
♣ 7

SOUTH
♠ Q J 9 7
♡ A 8 3
◇ K J 4
♣ Q 9 8

The bidding:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♣	1♡	Dbl*	2♡
Pass	Pass	3♡	Pass
3♣	Pass	3NT	All pass

*Negative, values with no clear bid

Opening lead: Ten of ♡

Despite having full values for their bids, North-South arrived in a game contract that had very little chance to succeed. They had only one heart stopper between them and the opponents held a big card in every side suit.

The opening 10 of hearts lead was allowed to hold the trick. West continued with the queen of hearts and declarer saw that it would be pointless to duck again. East, the overcaller, had to have a side entry. It was better to hope that the hearts were blocked, so South won the second trick with his ace. He successfully ran the nine of clubs at trick three, and continued with the queen of clubs to repeat the finesse. So far, so good.

South began to run the clubs acting like he didn't have a care in the world. He was, in reality, worried about almost everything. East-West had to make a number of discards on the clubs. South's eight of hearts prevented West from discarding the nine of hearts to unblock the suit. They didn't see the problem for what it was — a need to deceive declarer. They signaled honestly. West showing a high spade while East showed a high diamond. That made it easy for South to attack diamonds after the run of the clubs. East won with his ace and led a heart to West's nine, but he had no re-entry for the rest of his hearts. Declarer had his contract. Well done!

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, April 13, 2016:

This year you often could feel jammed into a complicated situation where your interests might be very different from those of people around you. Sometimes when you pull away from what you consider to be undesirable situations, others think you are acting in an unexpected manner. That judgment might be true, but they actually like what is happening - therefore they do not understand your reaction. If you are single, you often come off as very sensitive to those close to you and somewhat belligerent to those outside of your inner circle. This pattern is unique to this year; do not worry about it too much. If you are attached, your significant other often presents very different views from yours. CANCER often changes moods within a minute or two.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ You might wonder how you got into the middle of a power play. Just walk away from the issues and the uproar. You will be a lot happier if you do. Others might see you being as full of surprises and the unexpected. Tonight: At home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★★ You have a lot on your mind and want to handle a change quickly. Your ability to communicate in a creative fashion emerges. You will see that suddenly a situation arises that allows you to see someone in a different light. Tonight: You might opt not to be found, as you sense a volatile quality around others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Make sure your efforts do not fall to the wayside. You might be coming from a more optimistic view than many people. Someone might rain on your parade, out of the blue. Tonight: Respond to an invitation or call.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ As good as you might feel is as demanding as someone around you could be. Initiate conversations with others, if possible. A partner or loved one might be defiant just to be defiant. Honor a fast change of pace. Tonight: Work with the unpredictable.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Remain more confident and allow yourself to flex with various situations. You could feel that the less said, the better. Tension mounts, no matter what you decide to do. Lie back some and be responsive to others' requests. Surprises head in from those at a distance or those whom you often intellectualize with. Tonight: Go with spontaneity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You might want to find out what would be best to do under the circumstances. A loved one or associate could be so unpredictable that you want to guard yourself from being over-reactive with this person. Charge your creativity into a project. Tonight: Hang with favorite people.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Your instincts serve you well when dealing with unpredictable people and an unexpected power play in your personal life. Emotions run high around you, but few people are on the same page as you. You might wonder about events and what occurs today for quite a while. Tonight: Just don't stress out.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ Move forward in a manner that makes a difference. Your words might seem far more controlling than intended. Others might back off. You might have to make an unanticipated adjustment to your schedule as a result. Tonight: Look beyond the obvious.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ A key loved one might want to lay down his or her arms and make peace with you. You have a lot to offer, but you often feel the need to add something new to your wardrobe to make you seem more together. Tonight: Be a duo.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Others clearly make an effort to handle a problem efficiently and directly. You could be past the point of no return, as far as dealing with what you think is a controlling individual. Stop; hold up a mirror. You often are very controlling. Tonight: Listen to what is being said.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You can be nurturing to another person and not have that person become too dependent or needy. How you visualize a personal matter could evolve to a point where your vision might be considerably different from reality. Try to ground yourself. Tonight: Get some extra R and R.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Your sign is known for being very romantic and caring. Today is no exception, except that you might feel a loved one or close friend is crossing your boundaries. It is up to you to let others know when they cross these lines. Tonight: Be yourself.

BORN TODAY

Outlaw Butch Cassidy (1866), author Samuel Beckett (1906), former U.S. President Thomas Jefferson (1743)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Like many knock-knock jokes
6 Fit together, as some Russian dolls
10 Commando ploy
14 Square measures
15 Pledge
16 Magazine with annual Style Awards
17 Impressionist who was frequently a guest of Johnny Carson
19 Ink stain
20 Quite a while
21 Org. with Wizards and Magic
22 Hard-to-hit pitch
23 __ tai
24 Greek gatherings?
27 Cleared (out)
29 Clearasil shelfmate
30 Be in session
31 Less-filling brews
32 Phoenix-to-Albuquerque dir.
33 Movie backdrops
34 Statute that protects source confidentiality in journalism
38 Column on a decision maker's list
41 Govt. stipend
42 Gem weight
46 Copy
47 Health club
48 Golfer's booking
50 Marilyn Monroe and Grace Kelly
53 "Holy cow!"
54 On edge
55 Jackie's second
56 Founded: Abbr.
57 City near Tahoe
58 Menu listing literally represented by this puzzle's circles
61 "Dancing With the Stars" co-host Andrews
62 Tan shade
63 Teapot part
64 Viewpoint
65 Show sorrow or joy
66 "101" class, briefly

DOWN

1 Snickers ingredient
2 Paper work?
3 Exchange need
4 Slangy turndowns
5 Paris fashion monogram
6 "Pretty good!"
7 Frequent, as a diner
8 Mo. town
9 With 25-Down, what America is across, to Brits
10 Contradict in court
11 Court order?
12 "This is awesome!"
13 Loathes
18 Memo starter
22 Show sorrow or joy
24 Bass, e.g.
25 See 9-Down
26 Jump on ice
28 Hardy title teenager
32 Yalie
33 Hit
35 Road trip guessing game
36 Morales of "NYPD Blue"
37 Air Force heroes
38 Musical with nightclub scenes
39 1968 to now, in pro tennis
40 Fastidious sort
43 Drummer's joke punctuation
44 Hobbyist
45 Sees after
47 Muddy digs
48 Ripped to shreds
49 Author Blyton
51 Me.-to-Fla. route
52 Core group
56 Channel with numerous sister channels
58 Patch, perhaps
59 Diamonds, slangily
60 "Woe __": 1996 grammar book

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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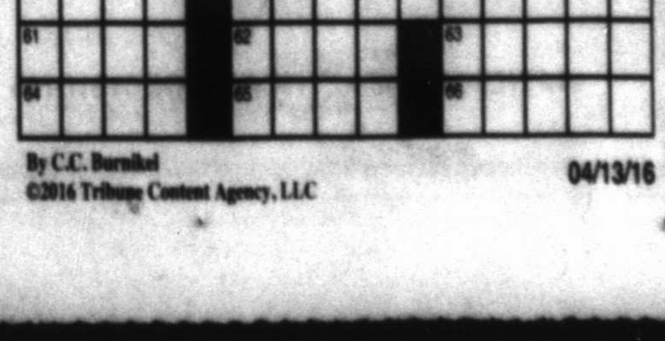

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INSTINCTS

From 3B

tolerance for such dopamine-inducing chemicals, he said.

"What if all our decision-making strategies and instincts had said, always go for the most concentrated version of sugar, fat, salt that's in front of you," Lisle said. "Then what do you got? You've got a massive trap. You've got the health crisis of the 21st century."

High concentration of such chemicals in junk food and processed foods can cause people to become physically addicted to that food, Lisle said. The dopamine released in the brain when high-salt, -sugar, or -fatty foods are consumed is similar to the reaction in the brain caused by drugs such as cocaine cause, Lisle said.

The hospital's Diabetes Nutrition Learning Center sees many patients with issues that stem primarily from their diet, dietitian Jessica Theimer said. Many suffer from binge-eating, she said.

"When it comes to binge eating, what we're seeing is patients that go on fad diets, they start self-limiting their choices of food," Theimer said. "They go on these extreme diets and they're not getting full. ... Once they start bingeing on these foods, well then that leads to guilt and then that leads back into thinking, 'I can't do anything healthy.'"

A plant-based diet incorporates foods that are high in nutrients, but low in calories, which satiate but do not cause weight gain, she said.

"The longer you go against your hunger drive, the lower and lower your willpower becomes, so as a result you crack," Lisle said. "You are going to go to the fastest, easiest, source of calories that you can get your hands on, which is always junk food. My belief is that (food addiction) is essentially genetics combined with modern diet."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Food is solution to health care costs

I would like to commend Midland Health (Midland Memorial) and other sponsors for their efforts to educate our community regarding wellness. Last weekend, 500-plus West Texans were offered an affordable full-day seminar called "Food is Medicine." We had the opportunity to learn from scientific studies about our nutrition. Our last speaker, Dr. Michael Greger, explained to us how the current Western diet contributes to or causes the onset of the most frequently occurring diseases that degrade our lives and eventually cause our deaths. Granted, we are all going to die one of these days, but what if we could influence the quality of that life by what we ingest? What if we did not have to take a cabinet full of pills daily because we eat correctly?

I believe the real solution to reducing health care cost in this country is preventing and reversing the conditions caused by the food we eat. The science is pretty compelling.

Hats off to Midland Health in changing its vision to "Midland will be the healthiest community in Texas." What if we as Midlanders actually pulled that off? I hope this concept takes off and next year's seminar packs the Wagner Noel to its capacity.

Vicki Byars

Panel recommends daily dose of aspirin for older adults

Washington Post

Taking a daily dose of aspirin can help prevent both heart disease and colorectal cancer in adults ages 50 to 69 who are at an increased risk for cardiovascular problems, an independent panel of medical experts said Monday.

The final recommendation from the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force said that low-dose aspirin — typically 81 mg — is most beneficial for people ages 50 to 59. For adults 60 to 69, a decision should be made with their doctors because aspirin can increase the risk of bleeding, the panel said.

This is the first time that the task force, a federally appointed group of 16 doctors, has endorsed aspirin as a way of preventing both cardiovascular disease and colon cancer, which are major causes of death among adults in this country. The action follows its draft recommendation last fall.

"Before starting to take aspirin for primary prevention, people aged 50 to 69 should talk to their primary care clinician to understand their risk for cardiovascular disease and risk of bleeding," said task force chair Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, a professor of medicine and of epidemiology and biostatistics at the University of California, San Francisco.

The new guidance applies to people who aren't at increased risk for gastrointestinal bleeding, who have at least a 10-year life expectancy, who are willing to take low-dose aspirin daily for at least 10 years, and who have a 10 percent or greater risk of heart attack or stroke over a decade.

Primary risk factors for cardiovascular disease include older age, high blood pressure, diabetes and smoking.

The group, which reaches its decisions by weighing benefits and harms, concluded that insufficient evidence exists to make a recommendation for prophylactic aspirin use by people younger than 50 and older than 70.

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GIVING THE GIFT OF CONVERSATION

Ready for the record, Warriors go after 73 wins

By Janie McCauley
Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Stephen Curry never figured the Chicago Bulls' 72-win mark could be matched or eclipsed.

Twenty years later, the reigning MVP and his defending champion Golden State Warriors are on the brink of doing just that and making yet more history this season.

"I knew what it was but you never really thought about it in perspective of anybody chasing it. It was kind of that number that was out there that seemed invincible," Curry said after practice Tuesday. "Even at the beginning of this year, even when we started 24-0, it was kind of: 'Well, maybe we can do it. We're going to keep playing every night with the intention of winning as many games as possible,' but it just sounded kind of ludicrous, 72-10, how much good play has to go into it. We're there now, 72-9, and we've got one more chance to beat it."

That comes today, when the Memphis Grizzlies visit Oracle Arena as Golden State goes for win No. 73 to best the 1995-96 Bulls.

And to think of all the scrutiny the Warriors got last June when they captured their first championship in 40 years.

Like that Golden State's title was no way legit because it didn't go through the San Antonio Spurs. Oh, and the opponents the Warriors did beat were all hurt.

Clippers coach Doc Rivers ruffled Warriors feathers six months ago when he made comments about Golden State getting lucky.

"You need luck in the West," Rivers said. "Look at Golden State. They didn't have to play us or the Spurs."

The Warriors were annoyed for a moment, then went to work showing the rest of the NBA they were for real — and playing with a bit of a chip on their shoulder, no doubt about it. They were knocked again along the way, with Curry's pull-up-and-shoot-from-anywhere style criticized by some Hall of Famers and other former greats.

No harm, just part of it when you're on top, Curry insisted, then shrugged it off.

He can silence them all soon enough.

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Ready for the next level

Photos by Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Rebecca Reed watches her shot at the Girls Tall City Golf Invitational on Feb. 26. Be sure to check out the tournament capsules on **Page 3C**.

Lady Rebs look to take next step at I-6A tourney

By Will Korn
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Ever since its last team appearance in the regional tournament four years ago, the Lee girls golf program has been building toward this year.

But this season, the Lady Rebels have infused the valuable experience of their upperclassmen with the emergence of star freshman Rebecca Reed to win their first District 3-6A title since 2013 and qualify for the Region I-6A tournament as a team once again.

In search of the program's first team state appearance since the 1980s, Lee will tee off in today's first round from Rolling Hills Country Club in Arlington.

The second round will commence Thursday.

Lee's five golfers — Reed, along with seniors Alexis Adkisson, Chloe Bice, Alex Sparks and Ryleigh Stump — said they are all excited to represent their school and West Texas as a whole on the regional stage.

This is the sixth consecutive year in which Lee has sent either an entire team or an individual qualifier to the regional tournament.

"It feels pretty good, considering we, for the last couple of

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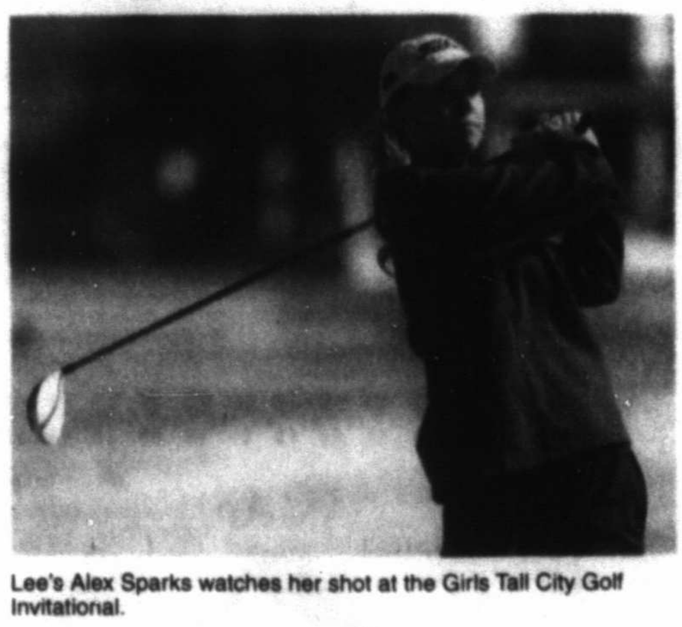

Lee's Alex Sparks watches her shot at the Girls Tall City Golf Invitational.

Lee trio signs with Western Texas College

By Christopher Hadorn
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The Western Texas College women's basketball team is taking three-fifths of Lee's starting lineup that reached the regional semifinals of the Class 6A playoffs.

Lewis

Rivas

Valdez

Lady Rebels seniors Kyra Lewis, Yaritza Rivas and Allison Valdez signed with the junior college program in Snyder during a ceremony Tuesday at the Lee High gymnasium.

The trio was a big part of a Lady Rebels team that blew through District 3-6A play with a perfect 10-0 record, posted a 27-5 overall record and reached the Region I-6A Tournament in Arlington before falling to eventual state champion Duncanville.

During a recent visit to WTC, Lee head coach Monica Ramirez said the three girls impressed Lady Westerners head coach Darryl Davis with their on-court chemistry.

Ramirez said the three girls have a "closeness that's hard to explain" and that they embraced the team's motto — "rise together and play together" — to the fullest.

"I feel like we're going to be really successful," said Lewis, daughter of Ramirez. "We're going to be able to use our chemistry that we had here and

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Area games rescheduled

From staff reports

Because of the rain on Tuesday, some baseball and softball games were rescheduled or canceled.

Midland High's home baseball game against Abilene High has been tentatively rescheduled for 4:30 p.m. today at Zachery Field. Lee's road baseball game against San Angelo Central has been rescheduled for 4:30 p.m. today.

Both District 3-6A softball games involving MISD schools have also been rescheduled for today. Lee's game against Abilene High at Gene Smith field is now at 4:30 p.m. today, while MHS' game versus Odessa Permian at the Ratliff Softball Complex is now at 6 p.m. today.

Greenwood's softball and baseball games at Seminole have also been rescheduled for today. Softball will be at 5 p.m., while baseball is at 4:30 p.m.

Midland Classical's home baseball game against Abilene Christian has also been postponed and will be rescheduled at a later date.

Also, Midland College's home baseball game against Howard College scheduled for 6:30 p.m. today has been canceled and won't be made up.

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DAILYRUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

ON TV

COLLEGE BEACH VOLLEYBALL

Long Beach State at UCLA, 5 p.m., P12, P12 LA

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Northwestern at Illinois DH, 5 p.m., BTN

Florida State at Florida, 6 p.m., SEC

North Texas at Oklahoma, 6 p.m., FCSC

Utah State at BYU, 7 p.m., BYUtv

GOLF

LPGA: LOTTE Championship, 1st Round, 6 p.m., GOLF

EPGA: Real Club Valderrama Open de Espana, 1st Round, 4:30 a.m., GOLF

HOCKEY

KHL Gagarin Cup, Gm 4: Metallurg MG vs. CSKA, 9 a.m., OWSPN

MLB

Miami at NY Mets, Noon, MLB

Texas at Seattle, 2:30 p.m., FSSW

Baltimore at Boston, 6 p.m., ESPN2

Kansas City at Houston, 7 p.m., ROOT+

MEN'S SOCCER

FA Cup: West Ham United vs. Manchester United, 12:50 p.m., FS2

UEFA Champions Quarterfinal, Leg 2: Atletico Madrid vs. Barcelona, 1:45 p.m., FS1, ESPNDEP

UEFA Champions Quarterfinal, Leg 2: Benfica vs. Bayern Munich, 1:45 p.m., FSN (FSSW+), FXDEP

English Premier: Crystal Palace vs. Everton, 1:50 p.m., NBCSN

Copa Libertadores: CS Emelec vs. Pumas de la UNAM, 5:30 p.m., FXDEP

Copa Libertadores: Sao Paulo FC vs. CA River Plate, 7:30 p.m., FXDEP

Copa MX Final: Tiburones de Veracruz vs. Club Necaxa, 8:50 p.m., ESPNDEP, UDN

NBA

Miami at Boston, 7 p.m., ESPN

San Antonio at Dallas, 7 p.m., FSSW, FSSW+, FSSWSA

Memphis at Golden State, 9:30 p.m., ESPN

Utah at LA Lakers, 9:30 p.m., ESPN2

NHL

East Quarterfinal, Gm 1: Detroit at Tampa Bay, 6 p.m., NBCSN

East Quarterfinal, Gm 1: NY Rangers at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m., USA

West Quarterfinal, Gm 1: Chicago at St. Louis, 8:30 p.m., NBCSN

RUGBY

NRL: Parramatta at Manly-Warringah, 4:30 a.m., FS2

Tennis ATP: Monte Carlo, 3:30 a.m., TENNIS

ON RADIO

MLB

Texas at Seattle, 2:30 p.m., KPET 690 AM (Lamesa), KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)

NBA

San Antonio at Dallas, 7 p.m., KBEST 95.7 FM (Big Spring)

WHAT'S ON DECK

High school

BASEBALL

Abilene High at Midland High, 4:30 p.m.

Lee at San Angelo Central, 4:30 p.m.

Greenwood at Seminole, 4:30 p.m.

GOLF

Region I-6A Girls Tournament, Arlington

Region I-4A Girls Tournament, Shadow Hills GC, Lubbock

Region I-3A Girls Tournament, Abilene

Region II-1A Boys Tournament, San Angelo

SOFTBALL

Abilene High at Lee, 4:30 p.m.

Midland High at Odessa Permian, 6 p.m.

Greenwood at Seminole, 5 p.m.

TENNIS

TAPPS State Tournament, Waco

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE — Suspended Atlanta RHP Alger Hodgson (Dominican League Braves) 72 games and San Francisco RHP David Graybill (AZL Giants) 50 games for violations of the Minor League Drug Prevention and Treatment Program.

American League

DETOIT TIGERS — Placed C James McCann on the 15-day DL. Selected the contract of C Bobby Wilson from Toledo (IL).

HOUSTON ASTROS — Optioned 3B Matt Duffy to Fresno (PCL). Reinstated C Evan Gattis from the 15-day DL. Sent RHP Lance McCullers to Corpus Christi (TL) for a rehab assignment.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Assigned RHP Kyle Crabbek outright to Reno (PCL).

ATLANTA BRAVES — Optioned RHP Joel De La Cruz to Gwinnett (IL). Selected the contract of RHP Jhoulys Chacin from Gwinnett (IL). Transferred LHP Andrew McKirahan from the 15-te the 60-day DL.

CHICAGO CUBS — Sent SS Javier Baez to Iowa (PCL) for a rehab assignment.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Placed INF OF Scott Van Slyke on the 15-day DL, retroactive to April 10. Reinstated C Yasmani Grandal and INF Howie Kendrick from the 15-day DL.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Released RHP John Holdzkom.

American Association

GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Signed LHP Moises Melendez.

JOPLIN BLASTERS — Signed INF/C Scott Tomassetti. Released INF Omar Luna and OF Tucker White.

LINCOLN SALTDOGS — Signed INF Alex Schmidt. Released OF Brendan O'Brien.

TEXAS AIRHOGS — Signed LHP Ethan Cames, C Michael Miller and RHPs Cody Hebner and Palmer Betts. Released LHP Ben Whitmore.

WINNIPEG GOLDEYES — Signed RHPs Duke von Schamann and Dylan Rheault.

Can-Am League

NEW JERSEY JACKALS — Signed RHP Matt Loosen. Traded LHP Nick Gonzalez to Sussex County for a player to be named.

OTTAWA CHAMPIONS — Signed OF Brian Van Kirk. Traded C Cory Caswell to Lake Erie for future considerations.

QUEBEC CAPITALES — Signed OF Trevor Gretzky. Released LHP Jay Johnson, INFs Cedric Valleries and Tyler Young and C Jean-Luc Bacquere.

ROCKLAND BOULDERS — Signed OF Quentin Davis.

SUSSEX COUNTY MINERS — Signed 1B Chris Duffy. Released RHP Jamie Walczak.

Frontier League

LAKE ERIE CRUSHERS — Signed LHP Ryan Davis.

WASHINGTON WILD THINGS — Signed RHP Zac Grotz.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

MIAMI HEAT — Signed F Dorell Wright.

PHOENIX SUNS — Purchased the Bakersfield Jam (NBADL) and are relocating the team to Prescott Valley, Ariz. to be known as the Northern Arizona Suns.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL — Suspended Washington RB Silas Redd has been suspended indefinitely for violating the league's policy for substances of abuse.

BUFFALO BILLS — Signed LB Lorenzo Alexander and S Colt Anderson.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Re-signed RB LeGarrette Blount.

Canadian Football League

WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Signed WR Jemel Jernigan.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ANAHEIM DUCKS — Reassigned G Anton Khudobin, C Michael Sgarbossa and RWs Stefan Noesen and Corey Tropp to San Diego (AHL).

ARIZONA COYOTES — Assigned Fs Laurent Dauphin and Eric Selleck, D Alex Grant and G Marek Langhamer to Springfield (AHL).

OTTAWA SENATORS — Fired coach Dave Cameron and assistant coaches Andre Tourigny, Rick Wamsley and Jason Smith.

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Signed D Matt Spencer to a three-year, entry-level contract.

American Hockey League

AHL — Suspended Bridgeport D Matt Carkner one game.

ROCHESTER AMERICANS — Recalled D Matt Pregoveanu from Binnin.

SPRINGFIELD FALCONS — Released D Derik Johnson from a professional tryout agreement.

COLLEGE

ARKANSAS — Junior C Moses Kingsley has declared for the NBA draft.

CLEMSON — Signed football coach Dabo Swinney to a new six-year contract.

COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON — Signed men's soccer coach Ralph Lundy to a four-year contract extension through the 2019 season.

DELAWARE — Named Erin Eddinger athletics business manager.

INDIANA — Announced junior F Troy Williams has declared for the NBA draft.

KANSAS STATE — Announced freshman men's basketball F Ron Freeman will transfer.

MICHIGAN STATE — Announced freshman men's basketball F Deyonta Davis will enter the NBA draft. Announced junior women's basketball F Taya Reimer will transfer from Notre Dame.

NEBRASKA — Signed women's basketball coach Amy Williams to a five-year contract. Announced the resignation of men's assistant basketball coach Phil Beckner to take a similar position at Boise State. Announced freshman men's basketball G Bakeri Evelyn is transferring.

NORTH CAROLINA — Named Cristian Iriragui men's assistant soccer coach.

NOTRE DAME — Announced junior F V.J. Beachem has declared for the NBA draft. Announced women's swimming coach Mike Litzinger will assume coaching responsibilities for both the men's and women's swimming teams.

PROVIDENCE — Announced the resignation of women's basketball coach Susan Robinson Fruehlf, to become director of athletics at St. Francis (Pa.).

WISCONSIN — Promoted men's assistant basketball coach Lamont Paris to associate head coach. Retained men's assistant basketball coach Howard Moore and director of men's basketball operations Kat Vosters.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Friday

At Turning Stone Resort & Casino, Verona, N.Y. (SHO), Nikolay Potapov vs. Stephon Young, 10, bantamweights.

Saturday

At Manila, Philippines, MiJoe Arroyo vs. Jerwin Ancajas, 12, for Arroyo's IBF junior bantamweight title.

At Barclays Center, Brooklyn, N.Y. (NBC), Errol Spence Jr. vs. Chris Algieri, 12, welterweights; Krzysztof Glowacki vs. Steve Cunningham, 12, for the WBO World Cruiserweight title; Marcus Browne vs. Radivoje Kalajdzic, 10, light heavyweights.

At Foxwoods Resort Casino, Mashantucket, Conn. (SHO), Gary Russell Jr. vs. Patrick Hyland, 12, for Russell's WBC World featherweight title; Jose Pedraza vs. Stephen Smith, 12, for Pedraza's IBF super featherweight title.

At Downtown Las Vegas Event Center (CBSSN), Steve Claggett vs. Chris van Heerden, 10, welterweights.

April 23

At Los Mochis, Mexico, Carlos Cuadras vs. Richie Mepranum, 12, for Cuadras' WBC World super flyweight title.

At the Forum, Inglewood, Calif. (HBO), Gennady Golovkin vs. Dominic Wade, 12, for Golovkin's WBA Super World-IBF-interim WBC middleweight titles; Roman Gonzalez vs. McWilliams Arroyo, 12, for Gonzalez's WBC flyweight title.

April 27

At Tokyo, Japan, Takashi Uchiyama vs. Jezreel Corrales, 12, for Uchiyama's WBA Super World title; Kohei Kono vs. Inthanon Sithchernuang, 12, for Kono's WBA World super flyweight title; Ryoichi Taguchi vs. Juan Jose Landaeta, 12, for Taguchi's WBA World light flyweight title.

April 29

At Trump Taj Majal, Atlantic City, N.J., Jonathan Guzman vs. Daniel Rosas, 12, IBF junior featherweight eliminator.

April 30

At the DC Armory, Washington D.C. (SHO), Badou Jack vs. Lucian Bute, 12, for Jack's WBC World super middleweight title; James DeGale vs. Rogelio Medina, 12, for DeGale's IBF super middleweight title.

ROCKHOUNDSREPORT

FROM STAFF REPORTS

NATURALS 9, ROCKHOUNDS 2
at Arvest Ballpark, Springdale, Arkansas

TOP HITTERS: Naturals' first baseman Frank Schwindel went 2-for-4 with a home run, three RBI and a run scored. ... Carlos Garcia finished 2-for-4 with a home run for Northwest Arkansas.

TOP PITCHERS: Naturals' starting pitcher Alec Mills allowed two hits and struck out nine Midland batters over six scoreless innings. ... Rock-Hounds' reliever Andres Avila struck out two over his lone inning of relief in the fifth.

RIGHLIGHTS: The Naturals scored four runs in the bottom of the first, thanks to a 2-RBI double by Zane Evans and a 2-RBI single by Schwindel. ... Northwest Arkansas added two more runs in the second on an error by Midland shortstop Franklin Barreto. ... In the seventh, the RockHounds plated two runs on a hit-by-pitch and a single. ... Garcia homered in the eighth to make it 9-2 Naturals.

NOTES: With Tuesday's defeat, the RockHounds have now dropped their last three games. ... The team will play its opening home series of the new season Thursday-Saturday against Arkansas. ... For the second time this year, Thursday's pitching matchup will be a battle of the Alcantaras, with Victor going for the Travelers and Raul starting for the RockHounds.

THURSDAY'S PROBABLES: Arkansas — RHP Victor Alcantara (1-0, 0.00 ERA); Midland — RHP Raul Alcantara (0-1, 3.60 ERA).

TL standings

First Half
North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Springfield (Cardinals)	3	2	.600	—
Northwest Arkansas (Royals)	3	3	.500	½
Arkansas (Angels)	2	4	.333	1½
Tulsa (Dodgers)	2	4	.333	1½

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Frisco (Rangers)	5	1	.833	—
Corpus Christi (Astros)	3	2	.600	1½
Ft. Worth (Rangers)	3	3	.500	2
Midland (Athletics)	3	4	.333	3

Tuesday's Scores

Arkansas 6, Frisco 3
San Antonio 6, Tulsa 3
Northwest Arkansas 9, Midland 2
Springfield at Corpus Christi, late

Today's Games

No games scheduled

NATURALS 9, ROCKHOUNDS 2

Midland	ab	r	h	bi	NW Arkansas	ab	r	h	bi
Vargas lf	5	0	0	0	Torres 2b	5	1	2	0
Rodriguez 2b	4	0	0	0	Mondesi ss	5	1	1	0
R. Healy dh	4	0	1	0	Starling cf	1	3	0	0
Chapman 3b	3	1	0	0	Calixte dh	3	1	0	0
Brugman cf	2	1	1	0	Evans c	4	1	1	2
Rosa 1b	3	0	1	0	Ramos 3b	4	0	1	1
Barreto ss	4	0	0	0	Schwindel 1b	4	1	2	3
Taylor c	1	0	0	1	Moon rf	4	0	0	0
Oh rf	4	0	1	1	Garcia lf	4	1	2	1
Totals	30	2	4	2	Totals	34	9	9	7

Midland	000	000	200	—2
NW Arkansas	421	000	11X	—9

E — Midland 1, DP — NW Arkansas 1. LOB — Midland 5, NW Arkansas 5. 2B — Evans (2), 3B — Mondesi (1), HR — Schwindel (1), Garcia (1). SB — Torres (3), Mondesi 2 (4), Starling 2 (2).

Midland	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Jensen L, 1-1	4.0	6	7	5	2	3
Avila	1.0	0	0	0	0	2
Doolittle	1.0	0	0	0	0	0
Hall	1.0	2	1	1	1	0
Kunz	1.0	1	1	1	0	1
NW Arkansas						
Mills W, 1-1	6.0	2	0	0	1	9
Cordero	0.2	0	0	2	2	3
McCarthy 1,1	2	0	0	0	1	1
Selman	1.0	0	0	0	1	2

HBP — By Cordero (Taylor), By Jensen (Starling).
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MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

ROYALS 3
ASTROS 2

HOUSTON — Lorenzo Cain hit a three-run homer in the first inning, and the Kansas City Royals held on for a 3-2 win over the Houston Astros on Tuesday night.

Alcides Escobar and Mike Moustakas hit consecutive singles to start the game before Cain connected on a full-count, 91-mph fastball off Mike Fiers (0-1) to make it 3-0.

The Astros got within 1 in the bottom of the inning after an RBI double by Colby Rasmus followed by a run-scoring single by Tyler White.

Kris Medlen (1-0) allowed six hits and two runs with seven strikeouts in five innings in his 2016 debut. Wade Davis walked two players with one out in the ninth before retiring Jose Altuve and George Springer for his third save.

YANKEES 3
BLUE JAYS 2

TORONTO — Jacoby Ellsbury singled home the tie-breaking run in the seventh inning, Brian McCann hit a solo home run and the New York Yankees beat the Toronto Blue Jays 3-2 on Tuesday night.

Johnny Barbato (1-0) pitched a scoreless inning for his first major league win in the first game between these AL East rivals this season. The Yankees lost 13 of 19 meetings with Toronto last year.

McCann finished 2 for 3 with a walk and scored twice. Andrew Miller got his second save.

Ellsbury's bloop single off left-hander Brett Cecil (0-2) scored Chase Headley from third base, helping the Yankees hand the slumping Blue Jays their fifth loss in six games. Ellsbury was 2 for 5 with a stolen base.

Dellin Betances struck out Jose Bautista looking to end the seventh, standing the tying run at second base.

Following an errant pickoff throw by right-hander Aaron Sanchez, Starlin Castro hit an RBI groundout to give New York a 1-0 lead in the second. Toronto answered in the third when Bautista hit a two-run double just beyond the reach of Ellsbury, who appeared to get a late break.

RAYS 5
INDIANS 1

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Even after dominating until the seventh inning Tuesday night, Cleveland Indians right-hander Corey Kluber had no room for error.

Then the Rays got to him.

Logan Forsythe hit the first of two two-run homers for Tampa Bay in the eighth inning, and the Rays beat the Indians 5-1.

"I made a bad pitch at the biggest part of the game," Kluber said. "I walked a guy (Kevin Kiermaier) and then made a bad pitch. That's what it boils down to. There's not too much to read into it. I didn't execute a pitch."

ORIOLES 9
RED SOX 5

BOSTON — J.J. Hardy had a pair of two-run home runs, Mark Trumbo added another and the Baltimore Orioles pounded the Boston Red Sox 9-5 on Tuesday night to win their seventh straight game to begin the season.

The Orioles are the only remaining undefeated team in the majors, and this is their best start since moving to Baltimore in 1954 — the franchise went 9-0 as the St. Louis Browns to start the 1944 season.

Trumbo's homer off Clay Buchholz (0-1) was his second in two days. It was part of a three-run sixth inning that put the Orioles in front.

National League

DIAMONDBACKS 4
DODGERS 2

LOS ANGELES — Paul Goldschmidt is finding his stroke early in the season, something he always seems to do against the Dodgers.

Goldschmidt hit a go-ahead homer in the eighth inning and drove in another run, and the Arizona Diamondbacks won 4-2 Tuesday, spoiling the Dodgers' home opener in Vin Scully's final season.

Goldschmidt gave the D-backs a 2-1 lead with his second homer of the season off Chris Hatcher (1-1). Goldschmidt homered for the second straight game and has done so in four of his last five against the Dodgers dating to last season.

"It was a nice come-from-behind win, especially against these guys," Goldschmidt said. "Hopefully, we'll be battling them the whole year with the rest of the division. It's a tough division, so these guys mean a little bit extra because you're trying to get that playoff spot."

MARLINS 2
METS 1

NEW YORK — Dee Gordon sparked the decisive rally with a single on the 16th pitch of his gritty at-bat, ending the longest major league plate appearance in nearly two years, and the Miami Marlins edged the New York Mets 2-1 on Tuesday night to win a much-anticipated pitching matchup that mostly lived up to its billing.

Noah Syndergaard struck out 12 for the slumping Mets, one short of his career high, and left with the score tied at 1 after seven innings. Miami ace Jose Fernandez recovered from a shaky start and went five innings in a game pitting two of baseball's most electric young arms.

Interleague

TIGERS 8
PIRATES 2

DETROIT — When Major League Baseball set up annual rivalries for interleague play, the Detroit Tigers and Pittsburgh Pirates ended up as partners.

While the teams did face off in the 1909 World Series, that's not much to build on. But given his familiarity, Pirates manager Clint Hurdle knows a lot about Detroit's offense and quickly realized Juan Nicasio was in trouble during Tuesday's 8-2 loss.

Nicasio (1-1) needed 94 pitches to get through three innings, allowing four runs, six hits and five walks. The top five in the Tigers' batting order went 13 for 20 while scoring and driving in every run.

"He's not a finished product, and today was a day where he obviously didn't have anything out there," Hurdle said. "We see the Tigers every year, usually in four straight games like this, so we know what they can do. If you can't hit your spots against that lineup, you are going to get beat up in a hurry."

MLB GLANCE

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	7	0	1.000	—
New York	4	2	.667	2½
Boston	3	4	.429	4
Tampa Bay	3	4	.429	4
Toronto	3	5	.375	4½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	5	2	.714	—
Kansas City	5	2	.714	—
Detroit	4	2	.667	½
Cleveland	2	3	.400	2
Minnesota	0	7	.000	5

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	4	4	.500	—
Texas	4	4	.500	—
Los Angeles	3	4	.429	½
Houston	3	5	.375	1
Seattle	2	5	.286	1½

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	5	1	.833	—
Miami	3	3	.500	2
Philadelphia	3	5	.375	3
New York	2	5	.286	3½
Atlanta	0	7	.000	5½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	6	1	.857	—
Cincinnati	5	2	.714	1
Pittsburgh	5	3	.625	1½
St. Louis	4	3	.571	2
Milwaukee	3	4	.429	3

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	5	2	.714	—
Los Angeles	4	4	.500	1½
Colorado	3	3	.500	1½
Arizona	3	5	.375	2½
San Diego	3	5	.375	2½

Scores and schedules

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Tuesday's Scores

Detroit 8, Pittsburgh 2
N.Y.Yankees 3, Toronto 2
Baltimore 9, Boston 5
Tampa Bay 5, Cleveland 1
Kansas City 3, Houston 2
L.A. Angels at Oakland, late
Texas at Seattle, late

Today's Games

L.A. Angels (Shoemaker 0-1) at Oakland (Surkamp 0-0), 2:35 p.m.
Texas (Griffin 1-0) at Seattle (T.Walker 0-0), 2:40 p.m.
Detroit (Greene 0-0) at Pittsburgh (Vogelsong 1-0), 6:05 p.m.
N.Y.Yankees (Pineda 1-0) at Toronto (Happ 0-0), 6:07 p.m.
Baltimore (Jimenez 1-0) at Boston (Kelly 0-0), 6:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Carrasco 0-0) at Tampa Bay (Smyly 0-1), 6:10 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Rodon 0-1) at Minnesota (Hughes 0-1), 7:10 p.m.
Kansas City (Ventura 0-0) at Houston (Feldman 0-1), 7:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Tuesday's Scores

Detroit 8, Pittsburgh 2
Arizona 4, L.A. Dodgers 2
Washington 2, Atlanta 1
Philadelphia 3, San Diego 0
Miami 2, N.Y. Mets 1
San Francisco at Colorado, late

Today's Games

Miami (Conley 0-0) at N.Y. Mets (Verrett 0-0), 12:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Wisler 0-0) at Washington (Strasburg 1-0), 6:05 p.m.
Detroit (Greene 0-0) at Pittsburgh (Vogelsong 1-0), 6:05 p.m.
San Diego (Rea 0-0) at Philadelphia (Eickhoff 0-1), 6:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Simon 0-0) at Chicago Cubs (Lackey 1-0), 7:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Ch.Anderson 1-0) at St. Louis (Leake 0-1), 7:15 p.m.
San Francisco (Peavy 0-0) at Colorado (Lyles 0-1), 7:40 p.m.
Arizona (R.De La Rosa 0-1) at L.A. Dodgers (A.Wood 0-1), 9:10 p.m.

Texas box scores

ROYALS 3, ASTROS 2

Kansas City	ab	r	h	bi	Houston	ab	r	h	bi
AEscor ss	4	1	1	0	Altuve 2b	4	1	0	0
Moustks 3b	3	1	1	0	Springr rf	4	0	2	0
L.Cain cf	4	1	1	3	Correa ss	3	0	1	0
Hosmer 1b	4	0	1	0	CIRsms lf	4	1	2	1
Kktorls dh	4	0	0	0	White 1b	3	0	1	1
Gordon lf	4	0	0	0	CGsmz cf	3	0	1	0
S.Perez c	4	0	0	0	Gattis dh	4	0	0	0
Infante 2b	4	0	1	0	Valuen 3b	3	0	0	0
Orlando rf	3	0	1	0	Mrancki pr	0	0	0	0
Kratz c	2	0	0	0					
Tucker ph	1	0	0	0					
JCastro c	0	0	0	0					
Totals	33	3	7	3	Totals	31	2	7	2

Kansas City	300	000	000	—3
Houston	200	000	000	—2

DP — Kansas City 2, Houston 1. LOB — Kansas City 5, Houston 9. 2B — Infante (2), Col. Rasmus (2), C.Gomez (3). HR — L.Cain (2), SB — A. Gordon (1).

Kansas City	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Medlen W,1-0	5	6	2	2	4	7
Hochevar H,2	1	0	0	0	0	2
K.Herrera H,1	1	0	0	0	0	2
Soria H,1	1	1	0	0	1	1
W.Davis S,3-3	1	0	0	0	2	2
Houston						
Fiers L,0-1	6	6	3	3	1	3
W.Harris	2	1	0	0	0	2
Gregerson	1	0	0	0	1	1

WP — Gregerson.
T — 3:17. A — 21,027 (41,676).

MONDAY'S LATE BOX
RANGERS 7, MARINERS 3

Texas	ab	r	h	bi	Seattle	ab	r	h	bi
Odor 2b	5	0	2	3	Aoki lf	4	0	1	0
Mazara rf	4	1	2	1	KSeag 3b	2	2	1	0
Beltre 3b	4	0	1	0	Cano 2b	4	0	0	0
Fielder dh	4	0	1	2	Cruz dh	r4	1	2	3
Dmnd cf *	4	1	0	0	Lind 1b	2	0	0	0
Morlnd 1b	5	1	1	0	Sardins ph-1b	2	0	0	0
Andrus ss	4	1	2	1	S.Smith rf	2	0	0	0
Ardis lf	4	3	0	0	Gutirz ph-rf	2	0	1	0
Choice c	4	2	2	0	Iannett c	3	0	0	0
KMarte ss	4	0	0	0					
LMarhn cf	4	0	1	0					
Lee ph	1	0	0	0					
Totals	38	7	14	7	Totals	33	3	7	3

Texas	011	100	130	—7
Seattle	100	000	020	—3

DP — Seattle 1. LOB — Texas 8, Seattle 6. 2B — Odor (1), Beltre (4), Nicholas (1), Cruz (3). HR — Cruz (2). CS — Aoki (2). SF — Mazara. Fielder

Texas	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Lewis W,1-0	6	4	1	1	1	6
Faulkner	1-3	1	0	0	1	0
S.Dyson	2-3	1	0	0	0	1
Kela	1	1	2	2	0	2
Diekman	1	0	0	0	0	0
Seattle						
Iwakuma L,0-1	6	8	3	3	1	7
Montgomery	2	6	4	4	1	3
Zych	1	0	0	0	0	3

HBP — by Kela (K Seager), WP — Faulkner. Iwakuma.
T — 3:00. A — 13,468 (47,943)

Tuesday's linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
YANKEES 3, BLUE JAYS 2

New York	010	001	100	—3	7	1
Toronto	002	000	000	—2	3	1

Tanaka, Barbato (6), Shreve (7), Betances (7), A.Miller (9) and B.McCann; Aa.Romine, Aa.Sanchez, Cecil (7), Chavez (7), Floyd (9) and R.Martin. W—Barbato 1-0. L—Cecil 0-2. Sv—A. Miller (2). HRs—New York, B.McCann (2).

RAYS 5, INDIANS 1

Cleveland	000	100	000	—1	5	0
Tampa Bay	000	000	14x	—5	5	0

Kluber, C.Allen (8) and Gomes; Moore, Cedeno (8), Colome (9) and Conger. W—Cedeno 1-0. L—Kluber 0-2. HRs—Cleveland, Lindor (1). Tampa Bay, Forsythe (2), Longoria (2).

ORIOLES 9, RED SOX 5

Baltimore	000	203	400	—9	11	0
Boston	200	020	010	—5	10	0

M.Wright, Bundy (6), McFarland (8), O'Day (9) and Wieters; Porcello, Ro.Ramirez (6), Ross Jr. (7), Layne (9) and Swihart. W—M.Wright 1-0. L—Buchholz 0-1. HRs—Baltimore, J.Hardy 2 (2), Trumbo (2), Boston, Ortiz (3).

INTERLEAGUE
TIGERS 8, PIRATES 2

Pittsburgh	000	002	000	—2	5	1
Detroit	220	003	10x	—8	14	1

Nicasio, Lobstein (4), Luebke (7) and Cervelli; An.Sanchez, J.Wilson (6), Verrlagen (7), Farmer (8), R.Rodriguez (9) and Saltalamacchia. W—An.Sanchez 2-0. L—Nicasio 1-1. HRs—Pittsburgh, S.Marte (2). Detroit, Upton (1), Kinsler (2).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
DIAMONDBACKS 4, DODGERS 2

Arizona	000	000	112	—4	9	0
Los Angeles	010	000	001	—2	9	1

Corbin, Clippard (7), Hernandez (8), Ziegler (9) and W.Castillo; Maeda, P.Baez (7), Hatcher (8), Coleman (8) and Ellis. W—Clippard 2-0. L—Hatcher 1-1. Sv—Ziegler (1). HRs—Arizona, Ahmed (2). Goldschmidt (3).

PHILLIES 3, PADRES 0

San Diego	000	000	000	—0	4	2
Philadelphia	000	001	02x	—3	4	1

Erlin, Buchter (7), Quackenbush (8), Hand (8) and De.Norris; Morton, Neris (7), D.Hernandez (8), J.Gomez (9) and Ruiz. W—Morton 1-1. L—Erlin 1-1. Sv—J.Gomez (3).

NATIONALS 2, BRAVES 1

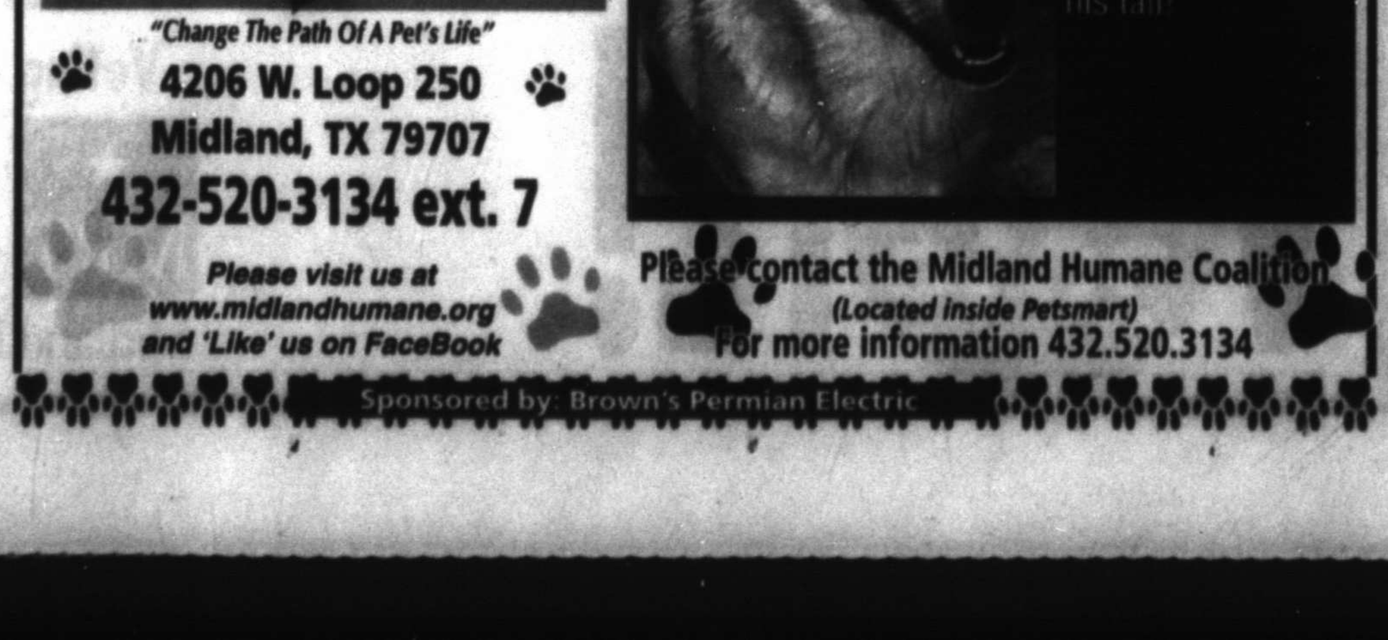
Atlanta	000	000	001	—1	6	0
Washington	000	000	02x	—3	4	1

Chacin, Cervenka (7), Withrow (7), J.Johnson (8), O'Flaherty (8), Vizcaino (8) and Flowers; G.Gonzalez, Kelley (7), O.Perez (8), Treinen (8), Rivero (9) and Lobaton. W—Treinen 2-0. L—J. Johnson 0-2. Sv—Rivero (1).

MARLINS 2, METS 1

Miami	000	100	010	—2	9	0
New York	100	000	000	—1	6	0

Fernandez, Breslow (6), Phelps (7), A.Ramos (9) and Mathis; Syndergaard, Henderson (6), Blevins (8), Reed (8), Familia (9) and d'Arnaud. W—Phelps 2-0. L—Henderson 0-1. Sv—A. Ramos (2).



Courtesy photo

The Lee girls golf team celebrates its District 3-6A championship at Abilene's Diamondback Golf Course on April 4. From left is head coach Blain Huddleston, assistant coach Bob Easter, Alexis Adkisson, Ryleigh Stump, Rebecca Reed, Chloe Bice and Alex Sparks.

Four Midland TAPPS teams still in contention at state

From staff reports

WACO — Four Midland doubles teams are still in the hunt for a state title following Tuesday's matches at the TAPPS 3A State Tennis Championships at Waco Regional Tennis Center.

Trinity has two boys doubles entries in today's semifinals after Justin Hofman and Dylan Hofman defeated Marble Falls Faith Academy's Richard Coleman and Reagan Hanish, 7-6 (8-6), 6-2, in the quarterfinals, and Anthony Fago and Porter Hankins upended Austin Texas School for the Deaf's David Hernandez and Cody Upchurch, 6-3, 6-0, in the same round.

The Hofman brothers strung together four straight points to overcome a 4-6 deficit in the tie-breaker of the quarterfinal first set.

Midland Classical Academy advanced two girls doubles teams to today's 8:30 a.m. semifinals. The MCA No. 1 seeded-team of Beth Ann Holmes and Tracy Fu ousted Sugar Land Logos Prep's Elizabeth Markarian and Lily Kaisharis, 6-1, 6-1, in Tuesday's quarterfinal match. On the other side of the bracket, MCA's Alissa Beattie and Elleri Haest defeated Sugar Land Logo Prep's Alexandra Reuter and Oliva Samuels, 6-0, 6-1, in the quarterfinals.

MCA's Marshall McCray was eliminated in the boys singles quarterfinals after falling 6-1, 6-0, to Fort Worth Lake Country's Robert Clark.

Sterling Armstrong, also of MCA, lost in the boys singles second round, falling 6-0, 6-2, to Beaumont Legacy Christian's Peter Williams.

The MCA boys doubles team of Garrett Sparks and Hunter Muehlbrad won two matches Tuesday to advance to the quarterfinals, but ended up losing by a 6-2, 6-3 score to Fort Worth Lake Country Christian's Zachary Harper and Ray Clark.

In the girls singles quarterfinals, Boerne Geneva's Ally Dollander beat MCA's Paige McAninch, 6-2, 6-4. McAninch won two matches Tuesday to reach the quarterfinals, which included a 6-4, 6-1 win over League City Bay Area Christian's Erica May in the second round.

Also in the girls singles second round, San Antonio Keystone's Taylor McManus outlasted MCA's Kennedy, 4-6, 6-3, 10-4.

Trinity boys golf wins TAPPS 1-3A tourney, girls 2nd

From staff reports

ABILENE — With a team score of 322, the Trinity boys golf team won the TAPPS 1-3A district tournament by 56 strokes over second-place Lubbock Christian, Monday at Maxwell Golf Course.

The Chargers will compete in the TAPPS 3A regional tournament on Monday in Glen Rose.

Trinity sophomore Austin Escamilla won the tournament with a score of 72, while freshman Chesley McDonald came in second with a 79. Chargers junior Chris Palacios finished third. Thomas Beal placed sixth overall for Trinity with a 90.

The Trinity girls placed second in the district tournament behind champion Midland Classical. Sophomore Rebecca Young finished in eighth place for Trinity with a 107, while Kinzie Roemer and Julissa Carrasco tied for 10th.

The Lady Chargers will also compete in the regional tournament to be held Monday at Squaw Valley Golf Course in Glen Rose.

No other information was reported.

Small consolation for Spieth: He still has a green jacket

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Don't feel sorry for Jordan Spieth because he had to put the green jacket on Danny Willett right after throwing away the Masters.

At least he was wearing one himself.

Spieth was in no mood for consolations, and even a month away from golf might not be enough time to find perspective.

"It was just one bad swing," Spieth said. And while his collapse went a little deeper than that, there was a large measure of truth to it. If he had hit the middle of the green with a 9-iron on the par-3 12th, there likely would have been one fewer person in Butler Cabin.

Even so, Spieth would do well to consider three other collapses on the back nine at Augusta National.

Ed Sneed in 1979 had a three-shot lead with three holes to play, bogeyed them all and lost in a playoff. Greg Norman's six-shot lead was down to two at the turn in 1996 when he made bogey on Nos. 10 and 11, and then found Rae's Creek in front of the 12th in the same manner as Spieth. He knew the safe shot was over the bunker until that evil voice in his head told him at the last second to cut it toward the right pin.

Not to be forgotten is Rory McIlroy, who started the back nine with two holes that were as damaging as Spieth's one bad swing. McIlroy took triple bogey on No. 10 and four-putted the 12th hole, dropping the same number of shots — six — as Spieth before getting to the 13th tee.

What makes those three players stand out is that none has a green jacket.

Norman has a pair of claret jugs from the British Open, but Augusta National haunted him. McIlroy lacks only the Masters to complete the career Grand Slam, and even though this was only his second try, it's starting to weigh on him.

Spieth wanted desperately to take that jacket back home to Dallas, and he nearly pulled it on. More painful than a place in golf history was how he abandoned the very traits that made him so tough in the majors — discipline, patience, smarts.

He paid a steep price.

Spieth had to settle for a silver medal instead of a green jacket. He went to Butler Cabin for ceremony, not celebration. And then he had to attend the trophy presentation on the 18th green and help Willett into the jacket a second time.

LADY REBS

From 1C

years, haven't been able to win district," said Sparks. "This is the first time since me and Alexis' freshman year."

Bice, a transfer from Midland Christian who played her senior year for the Lady Rebels, said she's anxious to take the course in Arlington with her Lee teammates she joined for the first time this season.

"It's been a fun journey with my new golf family," Bice said. "We've played hard all season and we've prepared to go out and win district and (deal with) the weather conditions, to advance to the next stages."

Added Stump, who's making her first regional appearance: "I've wanted to go since I was a freshman," Stump said. "To have the opportunity to go as a team and not just make it as an individual, it's fun to experience it with your team and I'm really excited that I'm getting to go."

Lee produced an impressive regular season, winning two of the four tournaments it competed in. Then, led by a fantastic two-day score of 137 from Reed, it captured the District 3-6A title by 22 strokes over Odessa Permian.

For Reed, the second round of the district tournament — she birdied five holes in the round — was likely one of the best of her career at Lee thus far.

The new 3-6A champion is also making her first regional appearance and is as eager as the rest of her teammates to take in the experience.

"I'm just going to try to enjoy the moment, because I know how fast it can be over," Reed said. "I'm really excited just to be going to regionals. That was the first goal. So now, if I get to state, that's even better."

In order for the Lady Rebels to advance to the Class 6A state tournament in Georgetown, the team will have to find a way to keep its recent momentum alive against a challenging field in Arlington.

"We keep the momentum going by being there (for each other)," said Adkisson, who is now a four-time regional tournament qualifier. "If someone isn't really feeling into it, we'll say 'No. We've worked this hard, we need to keep pushing.'"

Lee head coach Blain Huddleston said his team will have to play more competitively to stack up against many of the powerhouse programs from the Metroplex.

The team played well to win the district title. But being successful at the regional level requires an even higher level of play and the Lady Rebels will have to rise to the occasion today and Thursday.

"We're going to have be more competitive," Huddleston said. "We left a lot of strokes in Abilene (during the second round of the district tournament) and I think the girls realize that. We're just going to have to fight a little bit harder, play the course and not let the course beat us."

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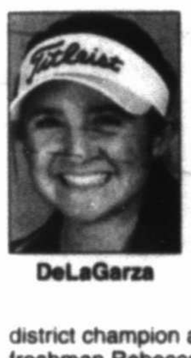
GOLFCAPSULES

FROM STAFF REPORTS

FAITH DELAGARZA
School: Midland High
What: Region I-6A Tournament, individual qualifier
When/where: Rolling Hills Country Club, Arlington
Notes: DeLaGarza shot a 75-80—155 and placed second in the District 3-6A tournament, 18 strokes behind district champion and Lee freshman Rebecca Reed. ...DeLaGarza, a sophomore, is making her second straight trip to the regional tournament after winning the district title last season. She came up just short of a state tournament bid last year, but DeLaGarza said she believes she's prepared to take that next step this time around. "It feels pretty good," DeLaGarza said. "(Making the regional tournament again) was my goal at the beginning, to get through all the tournaments, district and just do my best and get to regionals. I hope to do well at regionals so I can advance to state this year." ...DeLaGarza added that after playing at Rolling Hills CC in last year's regional tournament, she feels confident in her understanding of the course as she prepares to play it a second time in tournament format. "I feel like I'm more comfortable with it," DeLaGarza said. "There's always more things you can learn about it and hopefully during my practice round, I can take good notes and just get out there and be smart the whole time."



DeLaGarza

REGION 1-4A TOURNAMENT
Participants: Andrews Gold team, Andrews Black team, Greenwood's Ryan Pate
When/where: Today-Thursday, Shadow Hills Golf Course, Lubbock
Notes: The Andrews girls golf program has officially begun its drive for a sixth-consecutive Class 4A state title. The Andrews Black team (325-324-321—970) won the District 4-4A tournament by 93 strokes over second-place Andrews Gold Team (1,063 three-round total). ...This is the fourth straight year in which Andrews had two teams qualify for the regional tournament ... Libby Walinder led the way for Andrews' No. 1 team by shooting an 87-74-74—235, good for a second-place finish overall. Teammate Madee McAllister finished eight strokes behind her in third. ... Greenwood's Ryan Pate was the District 4-4A champion after shooting an 82-69-80—231 to win the tournament by four strokes. Pate will be competing in the regional tournament as an individual for the fourth time in her high school career.

REGIONALGOLFROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

ARRAS FINISHES WITH 161 TOTAL

FORT WORTH — Lee junior golfer Jared Arras finished in a tie for 61st place at the Region I-6A Boys Golf Championships at The Links at Waterchase on Tuesday.

Arras shot an 81-80—161 total. Southlake Carroll's Colin Kober was the medalist champion with a 68-69—137. San Angelo Central's Jensen Smith was an individual qualifier for the state tournament after finishing in a tie for 5th with a 143 total.

Carroll won the team title with a two-round total of 568 total, followed by Plano West (575) and Mansfield Gold (585).

District 3-6A champion Odessa Permian finished in seventh with a 613, while San Angelo Central was eighth with a 621.

BIG SPRING FINISHES 9TH

LUBBOCK — The Big Spring boys golf team finished in ninth place out of 16 teams after the final round of the Region I-4A Tournament, Tuesday at Shadow Hills Golf Course.

Monahans won the tournament with a 604 total, finishing four strokes ahead of second-place Seminole.

Decatur's Drew Jones won the individual title by carding a 68-74—142.

Andrews' Tanner Stokes, playing as a medalist, finished in a three-way tie for seventh place with a 78-70—148 and qualified for the Class 4A state tournament.

Mustangs teammate Landon Mack shot 79-71—150 and finished in a tie for 11th place.

Region I-4A Boys Golf Tournament
Shadow Hills Golf Course, Lubbock
Final results

x-denotes state tournament qualifier
Team standings

x-1. Monahans 308-296—604; x-2. Seminole 308-300—608; x-3. Decatur 311-302—613; 4. Graham 316-299—615; 5. Midlothian Heritage Red 324-293—617; 6. Snyder 318-310—628; 7. Perryton 320-309—629; 8. Stephenville 321-316—627; 9. Big Spring 331-322—653; 10. Bridgeport 340-315—655; 11. Midlothian Heritage Red 335-329—664; 12. Borger 338-338—676; 13. Iowa Park 366-337—703; 14. Burkburnett 374-371—745; 15. Clint 434-439—873; 16. Fabens 465-432—897

Individual standings

1. Drew Jones, Decatur 68-74—142; x-2. Coby Bryant, Graham 72-72—144; T-3. J.T. Pitman, Monahans 72-75—145; Joey Kirk, Monahans 75-70—145; T-5. Aaron Robledo, Seminole 76-71—147; x-Jake Leatherwood, Snyder 74-73—147; T-7. Brayson Moore, Seminole 76-72—148; Caleb Lemland, Decatur 75-73—148; x-Tanner Stokes, Andrews 78-70—148; 10. Jaryn Pruitt, Brownwood 78-73—149

Area team results

Big Spring (331-322—653): Nolan Otto 79-73—152; Nolan Dominguez 76-80—156; Ryan Dinsdale 90-76—166; Zach Bennett 86-95—181; Jordan Dunn 94-93—187

Area medalists

Andrews — Tanner Stokes 78-70—148; Landon Mack 79-71—150

STANTON'S CROCKETT HEADING TO STATE

ABILENE — Stanton's Benjamin Crockett shot a 78-75—153 to finish sixth overall after the second round of the Region I-3A Tournament on Tuesday at Diamondback Golf Course.

Crockett earned an individual bid to the Class 3A state tournament, April 27-28 at Grey Rock Golf Club in Austin.

As a team, Stanton finished in 12th place out of the tournament's 16-team field with a two-day total of 775.

Wall was the tournament champion by 62 strokes after shooting a 317-297—614. Wall's Gunner Graham won the individual title by one stroke with a 74-73—147.

Region I-3A Boys Golf Tournament
Diamondback Golf Course, Abilene
Final results

x-denotes state tournament qualifier
Team standings

x-1. Wall 317-297—614; x-2. Merkel 350-326—676; x-3. Eastland 369-332—701; 4. Sonora 372-333—705; 5. Kermit 368-341—709; 6. Alpine 357-361—718; 7. Brady 364-356—720; 8. Idalou 390-361—751; 9. Shallowater 381-375—756; 10. Spearman 391-371—762

Individual standings

1. Gunner Graham, Wall 74-73—147; 2. x-Shea Easterling, Jim Ned 76-72—148; 3. Colton Hilburn, Merkel 76-74—150; 4. Tye Masters, Wall 78-73—151; 5. Zane Brooks, Eastland 77-75—152; x-6. Benjamin Crockett, Stanton 78-75—153; x-7. Jake Angerstein, Early 82-72—154; 8. Parker Doan, Merkel 82-75—157; T-9. Coleman Coon, Wall 80-78—158; Zach Coon, Wall 85-73—158

Area team results

Stanton (411-364—775): Benjamin Crockett 78-75—153; Blake Snellgrove 110-86—196; Logan Daly 105-93—198; Cooper Millsap 118-110—228

GARDEN CITY BOYS QUALIFY FOR STATE

SAN ANGELO — Garden City shot a 394-377—771 to qualify for the UIL Golf State Tournament with a third-place finish following Tuesday's final round of the Region II-1A Boys Golf Championships at Quicksand Golf Course.

Tanner Davis led Garden City's state qualifying effort, finishing fifth in the medalist standings after shooting a 91-84—175.

Grady senior Braeden Jones shot a two-round total of 184 to place ninth.

Tournament champion Wink and runner-up Robert Lee will join Garden City at the Class 1A state tournament, April 27-28 at Lions Municipal Golf Course in Austin.

Region II-1A Boys Golf Tournament
Quicksand Golf Course, San Angelo
Final results

x-denotes state tournament qualifier
Team results — 1. x-Wink 379-356—735; 2. x-Robert Lee 368-402—770; 3. x-Garden City 394-377—771; 4. Rising Star 408-370—778; 5. (tie) Richland Springs 394-384—778; Rochelle 381-397—778; 7. (tie) Iraan 408-384—792; Grady 416-387—803; 9. Eula 435-392—827; 10. Sierra Blanca 424-407—831; 11. Jayton 447-420—867; 12. Ackerly Sands 432-444—876; 13. Rankin 419-465—882; 14. Westbrook 456-465—923; 15. Hermleigh 479-487—876; 16. Aspermont DNF

Individual medalists — 1. x-Justin Hallmark, Richland, 90-82—192; 2. x-Cole Watkins, Eula, 85-81—166; 3. x-Zachariah Childers, Rising Star, 85-82—167; 4. Donovan Garcia, Wink, 89-84—173; 5. Tanner Davis, Garden City, 91-84—175; 6. Kenny Hinsch, Wink, 88-88—176; 7. Nathan Scates, Robert Lee, 83-95—178; 8. Dante Torres, Eden, 92-91—183; 9. (tie) Braeden Jones, Grady, 94-90—184; Jonathan Solines, Richland, 94-90—184

Area team results

Garden City (394-377—771) — Tanner Davis 91-84—175; Zach Burnett 97-98—195; Hagan Hathaorn 102-97—199; Scott Miller 104-96—200; Seth Miller 112-111—223

Grady (416-387—803) — Braeden Jones 94-90—184; Jayton Short 102-101—203; Cole Avery 108-100—208; Matthew Balderas 112-96—208; TJ Shandri 120-117—237

Rankin (419-465—882) — Ricky Cura 103-109 — 212; Garrison Prescomack 95-117 — 212; Markus Black 105-124 — 229; Caleb Fouts 116-118 — 234; Cody Wyatt 122-119 — 241

Area medalist

Rankin — Jonathan Stone 130-118—248

GARDEN CITY'S HALFMANN TO STATE

SAN ANGELO — As a medalist, Garden City's Hope Halfmann qualified for the Class 1A Region II state tournament after finishing in sixth with a 109-112—221 at the Region II-A Girls Tournament, Tuesday at Bentwood Country Club.

Robert Lee won the tournament with an 882 total, 62 strokes ahead of second-place Bronte.

As a team, Rankin placed eighth with a two-day total of 1,032. Cierra Watson led Rankin, finishing in a tie for 43rd with a 131-130—261.

Region II-A Girls Golf Tournament
Bentwood Country Club
Final results

x-denotes state tournament qualifier
Team standings

x-1. Robert Lee 444-438—882; x-2. Bronte 477—469—946; x-3. Wink 472-475—947; 4. Richland Springs 461-490—951; 5. Terlingua Big Bend 501-466—967; 6. Ackerly Sands 491-487—978; 7. Rising Star 492-515—1,007; 8. Rankin 519-514—1,032; 9. Sierra Blanca 514-530—1,344; 10. Borden County 522-527—1,049; 11. Jayton 543-526—1,069; 12. Hermleigh 555-545—1,070; 13. Rochelle 558-567—1,113; 14. Rising Star II 580-580—1,154

Individual standings

1. Brady Clawson, Robert Lee 100-101—201; x-Cheyenne Stewart, Sierra Blanca 98-110—208; 3. Darby Duncan, Bronte 107-106—213; 4. Jaycie Mills, Wink 103-112—215; 5. Sandra Flores, Robert Lee 107-111—218; x-6. Hope Halfmann, Garden City 109-112—221; x-7. Imaya Cauthen, Eula 123-99—222; 8. Bailey Torres, Bronte 114-109—223; 9. Hailee Ashworth, Richland Springs 115-111—226; 10. Kelby Clawson, Robert Lee 117-110—227

Area team results

Rankin (618-514—1,032): Cierra Watson 131-130—261; Isabella Aguilar 134-130—264; Camryn Templeton 136-137—273; Anna Sharp 142-139—281; Mackenzi Prescomack 146-139—285; Zoey Nail 153-150—303

Leonard helps Spurs beat Thunder in OT

Spurs 102
Thunder 98

By Raul Dominguez
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Kawhi Leonard had 26 points and the San Antonio Spurs had to rally to beat the short-handed Oklahoma City Thunder 102-98 in overtime Tuesday night to finish 40-1 at home this season, matching an NBA record.

The Boston Celtics had the same record in 1985-86.

San Antonio was lethargic coming off its first home loss of the season to the Golden State Warriors on Sunday. The Spurs never led in the final quarter the loss and trailed throughout much of their home finale.

Thunder coach Billy Donovan rested stars Kevin Durant, Russell Westbrook and Serge Ibaka in their regular-season finale while San Antonio coach Gregg Popovich started his regular lineup.

The Thunder were still able to force the first overtime in San Antonio this season.

Dion Waiters completed a three-point play to tie the game at 93 with 16.2 seconds remaining. Waiters was fouled by David West driving into the lane for a layup after Payne ran down a long rebound following his own miss.

Kin Man Hui/San Antonio Express-News

The Spurs' Kawhi Leonard (2) takes a contested shot against Oklahoma City Thunder's Cameron Payne (22), Steven Adams (12) and Enes Kanter (11) in San Antonio on Tuesday.

NBA ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

HEAT 99
PISTONS 93

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. — Dwyane Wade got off to his slowest start offensively in a decade and finished with 14 points, helping the Miami Heat beat the Detroit Pistons 99-93 on Tuesday night.

Miami will win the Southeast Division and earn home-court advantage in the first round of the playoffs if it closes the regular season Wednesday night by beating Boston on the road.

The Pistons' loss sealed their spot as the eighth-seeded team in the Eastern Conference, setting up a matchup with top-seeded Cleveland.

Wade didn't score until there was 4:14 left in the first half. He had not been scoreless that long at the start of a game since March 17, 2006, against Charlotte, according to STATS. Wade broke his scoreless start with a three-point play and had seven points in a 50-second stretch.

RAPTORS 122
76ERS 98

TORONTO — Rookie Norman Powell had 18 points and Jonas Valanciunas had 17 more and 11 rebounds as the Toronto Raptors beat the Philadelphia 76ers for the 12th straight time,122-98 on Tuesday night.

It gave Valanciunas a team-leading 22nd double-double of the season. Philadelphia last beat Toronto Jan. 18, 2013.

With the Indiana Pacers' win over New York and the Detroit Pistons' loss to the Miami Heat, second-seeded Toronto is now locked into a playoff matchup with the seventh-seeded Pacers.

Robert Covington had 24 points for Philadelphia on 6-for-10 shooting from 3-point range, Ish Smith added another 18, and Nerlens Noel had 14 points and 10 rebounds, matching a career-long streak with his third straight double-double.

Tied at 72 with 5:19 to play in the third quarter, the Raptors went on a 20-2 run to open up a 92-74 lead with 11:05 to play in the game. Though the Sixers closed that gap to 13 points at times in the fourth quarter, they could get no closer.

PACERS 102
KNICKS 90

INDIANAPOLIS — Paul George and George Hill each scored 19 points and the Indiana Pacers beat the New York Knicks 102-90 to win their final home game of the regular season.

Trailing 64-62, the Pacers finished the final seven minutes of the third quarter with a 17-6 run that gave Indiana a 79-70 lead heading into the final period.

Indiana outscored the Knicks 26-16 in the third quarter.

Derrick Williams scored 21 points and Jerian Grant added 18 points for the Knicks (32-50).

The Pacers (44-37) secured the seventh seed in the Eastern Conference with the win over New York and the Pistons' 99-93 loss to the Heat on Tuesday night.

NBA GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Toronto	56	26	.679	—
x-Boston	47	34	.580	8
New York	32	50	.390	23½
Brooklyn	21	60	.259	34
Philadelphia	10	71	.123	45

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Miami	48	33	.593	—
x-Atlanta	48	33	.593	—
x-Charlotte	47	34	.580	1
Washington	40	41	.494	8
Orlando	35	46	.432	13

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Cleveland	57	24	.704	—
x-Indiana	44	37	.543	13
x-Detroit	43	38	.531	14
Chicago	41	40	.506	16
Milwaukee	33	48	.407	24

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-San Antonio	66	15	.815	—
x-Memphis	42	38	.525	23½
x-Dallas	42	39	.519	24
Houston	40	41	.494	26
New Orleans	30	51	.370	36

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Oklahoma City	55	27	.671	—
x-Portland	43	38	.531	11½
Utah	40	41	.494	14½
Denver	33	48	.407	21½
Minnesota	28	53	.346	26½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Golden State	72	9	.889	—
x-L.A. Clippers	52	28	.650	19½
Sacramento	33	48	.407	39
Phoenix	22	59	.272	50
L.A. Lakers	16	65	.198	56

x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division
z-clinched conference

Scores and schedule

Tuesday's Scores

Indiana 102, New York 90
Toronto 122, Philadelphia 98
Miami 99, Detroit 93
San Antonio 102, Oklahoma City 98, OT
Memphis at L.A. Clippers, late

Today's Games

Philadelphia at Chicago, 7 p.m.
New Orleans at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Indiana at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
Sacramento at Houston, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Brooklyn, 7 p.m.
Miami at Boston, 7 p.m.
Atlanta at Washington, 7 p.m.
Orlando at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Memphis at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.
Utah at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Denver at Portland, 9:30 p.m.

Former MC coach Hodge joining McCasland at Arkansas St.

From staff reports

A former Midland College head men's basketball coach is joining another former Chaparrals coach at Arkansas State.

Arkansas State announced on Tuesday that Ross Hodge will be joining Grant McCasland's staff with the Red Wolves as associate head men's basketball coach.

Hodge coached the Chaparrals from 2009-11 and led them to the NJCAA national championship game in 2011 and a 63-7 record in those two seasons.

Hodge had been an assistant coach under Larry Eustachy at Colorado State for the past four seasons and has been recognized as a top recruiter by several publications.

"Ross Hodge is a star in this business," McCasland said in a press release. "He's won at the highest level everywhere he's been, whether it was as the head or assistant coach (positions). But, the most important piece of what he will bring to our program is he is someone who is fiercely committed to his players."

Added Hodge: "I'm excited and extremely humbled to serve as Coach McCasland's associate head coach. He has won everywhere he has been and I believe he will do the same at Arkansas State."

WARRIORS

From 1C

"It's a big deal for sure," Curry said. "It's our last regular-season game, our last tuneup before the playoffs and nobody wants to lose their last game going into the playoffs if you can avoid it, and obviously 73. We want to get that number. Why not?"

Curry and coach Steve Kerr expected the Warriors to be better this season, but this good? No way. This many wins? Hardly. Not with every opponent bringing its best every night.

Triple-double machine Draymond Green can't believe Golden State's position now, either.

He wishes the record hadn't come down to the regular-season finale.

"It would have been cool to take care of the games we were supposed to take care of and have it already out of the way," Green said. "The way this thing has played out, to be at home with one shot at it, it's pretty amazing. You can't not talk about it at this point. The whole world's talking about it now. It's everywhere. There's no way to hide from it now. Honestly, realistically, I didn't think it could be done."

While Kerr missed Tuesday's practice for a doctor's appointment, the Warriors were on task and enjoyed hosting Los Angeles Angels sluggers Mike Trout and Albert Pujols along with infielder Cliff Pennington and reliever Joe Smith, who beat Curry at PIG.

It kept the mood light with much still at stake this week.

"We have an opportunity to do something that has never been done in history," Curry said. "So many great players have suited up since the NBA began. For us 15 guys to say we've accomplished something as a group that's never been done before, that's remarkable. We earned the right to have a 48-minute game to eclipse that mark and we have to go out and finish the job, do it the right way. ... To be in this position is special. It makes you appreciate all the work that's gone into it, the sacrifice, the good decisions from upstairs. You want to enjoy the moment for sure."

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>
> **Stephen Curry**

Whatever happens Wednesday, the Warriors know their ultimate task remains bringing home another championship.

"It should be a fun 48 minutes and hopefully a night we'll remember for a long time," said Curry, who knows any celebration will be short-lived with the playoffs coming. "We'll be able to enjoy it. You want to be able to enjoy all the hard work that goes into — if we get this last win — into an 82-game grind. That definitely deserves a moment to kind of reflect. But come Thursday when we step foot on the practice floor getting ready for the playoffs when it matters, you've got to kind of move on."

TRIO

From 1C

continue to use it. That's kind of how it was in the open gym when we went to go play up there. When he would put us together to see how we would play together, we ended up doing really well against the college girls."

Valdez, Rivas and Lewis said that Division III schools University of Texas-Tyler and Mary Hardin-Baylor also showed interest in them, while Lewis had an individual offer from Howard College.

But the trio was drawn to Western Texas College because they felt a comfort level with Davis and the players.

"We just thought it would be the best fit for us because they reminded us a little bit of our team here and how important team chemistry was to them," Rivas said. "Once we got to talk to the coach, he was mentioning as well how important team chemistry was to him."

Valdez said that Davis expressed interest in utilizing her as a point guard, a position she played at times for the Lady Rebels.

Rivas and Lewis both expect to play small forward for the Lady Westerners.

Rivas and Valdez plan to major in nursing, while Lewis will study physical therapy.

Ramirez, a former player and assistant coach at UTEP, said she conveys to her players that education is the most important aspect of the journey, that the ball eventually stops bouncing for everyone.

"I do believe that the junior college level is the right level for them," Ramirez said. "All of them have good work ethics, they have a good heart, they love the game, but skillset-wise, they need a little bit more time before they go to the next level. I believe that at the junior college level they will get that."

Even though the trio are all outgoing seniors, Ramirez hasn't stopped pushing them for their next basketball venture.

"We thought we were on break, but we're not," Valdez said. "(Coach Ramirez) knows how it is at the college level so she's preparing us and she's not letting us slack off in any kind of way."

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID	ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Middle (N)	Goldberg (N)	Modern Family (N)	Black-ish (N)	Nashville (N)		Local 2 News/ 10	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live	(:35) News Nightline
KOSA	CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News	Ent. Tonight	Survivor: Kaoh Rong (N)		Criminal Minds "Inner Beauty" (N)		C.Minds: Borders "Love Interrupted" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) Stephen Colbert	(:35) J.Corden
KWWT	CW	5	14		5	14	M*A*S*H "The Bus"	M*A*S*H "The Bus"	A. Griffith	A. Griffith	Happy Days	Laverne & Shirley	Hogan's Heroes	'Hogan's Heroes	Carol Burnett	Mason "The Case of the Drifting Dropout"	Twilight Zone
KPEJ	FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Modern Family	Big Bang Theory	Rosewood (N)		Empire (N)		Fox 24 News	TMZ	2 Broke Girls	Modern Family	Two and Half Men	Met Your Mother
KMLM	IND	11	12	12	11	11	Mani Erfan	Housecall	Update. News	Israel Inspired	Light of the Southwest		Light of the Southwest		Walking	Restore Zion	Creation Proclaims	Biblical
KWES	NBC	9	9	9	9	9	News-West 9	NewsWest 9 Now	The Voice "The Live Playoffs, Results"		Strong "Welcome to Strong" (P) (N)		Strong "Balls to the Wall" (N)		NewsWest 9 at 10	(:35) The Tonight Show	(:35) Seth Meyers
KPBT	PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Nature "India's Wandering Lions" (N)		Nova (N)		Ride the Tiger (N)		Charlie Rose (N)	World News	Tavis Smiley
KUPB	UNI	4	4		4	16			Un camino hacia el destino		Pasion y poder		El Hotel de los Secretos		Noticias Tejas	Noticiero noctu.	Contacto Deportivo
KOSA	MNT	15	16		16		Fam.Feud	Fam. Feud	Closer "Fate Line"		Closer "Double Blind"		Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Anger M.	Anger M.	Office	Access H.
FLIX		340	575			165	(4:30) Mr. Hollan...		★★ The Talented Mr. Ripley ('99, Susp) Matt Damon.				★★ The Hand That Rocks the Cradle				Movie	
HBO		300	550	14	14		(:10) Nothing Left Unsaid		Vice		Girls		Vinyl		Fight (N)		Mapplethorpe	
HBO2		302	551	15	101	23	(5:30) ★ Beauty Shop		(:20) ★★ Vacation		('15, Com) Ed Helms.		Thrones "Mhysa"		(:05) Girls		Together	(:05) Vice	Movie
HBO3		304	552	16	102		(:15) ★★ What Happens in Vegas				LastWeek ★★		The Rainmaker Matt Damon.				(:50) ★★ American Sniper	
MAX		380	557	17	120	24	(5:30) ★ Gone Girl ('14, Myst) Ben Affleck.				Banshee (:50) ★★★		Horrible Bosses 2				(:40) Guide	(:05) Guide	Movie
MAX2		382	558	18	122		Movie		★★ Shutter Joshua Jackson.		★★★★ Children of Men Clive Owen.				(:55) ★★ Swimfan		(:20) ★ Van Helsing	
PLEX				96			(5:25) ★ Rosemont		★★ Radio Flyer ('92, Dra) Lorraine Bracco.		(:55) ★ The African Queen				(:40) ★ Seems Like Old Times			
SHOW		320	565	19	140	25	(:15) ★★★ The DUFF Mae Whitman.				Dice ★		Daddy's Little Girls		(:15) Lies		(:45) ★ All Things Must Pass: ...	
TMC		336	573	22	195	26	(5:45) ★ King Kong		★★★★ Dead Poets Society						(:10) ★★★ Good Morning, Vietnam		(:15) ★ What If	
A&E		27	58	28	35	47	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	(:55) Duck Dynasty	(:25) Duck Dynasty	(:55) Duck Dynasty	(:25) Duck Dynasty	Donnie Loves J.	Wahlburgers "The Fenway Way Back" (N)		Wahlburgers (N)	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty
AMC		40	74	23	42	51	(4:30) ★ Lethal We...		★★★ Lethal Weapon 3 ('92, Act) Mel Gibson.					★★★ Lethal Weapon 4 ('98, Act) Mel Gibson.				
BET		58	-		40		Chasing Destiny		Chasing Destiny		Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Martin	Martin	Wendy Williams	
BRAVO		65	76		41		Wives "Reunion Part 3"		New York Social (N)		Wives "An Intimates Affair" (N)		Real Housewives		Watch (N)	Real Housewives		
CNBC		46	52		39	72	Billion Dollar Buyer		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		Leader	Rich (N)	Shark Tank		Shark Tank	
CNN		43	50	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		A. Cooper 360		CNN Tonight		A. Cooper 360		CNN Newsroom	
DISC		50	60	31	24	42	SeaGold "The Gamble"		Dredged Up (N)		Bering Sea Gold (N)		Survivor "Oregon"		Bering Sea Gold		Alaska "Poopsicle"	
DISNEY		56	64	36	25	36	Austin	S.Middle	★ The Emperor's New Groove		Bunk'd		Friends	Girl M.	Liv/Mad	S.Middle	So Raven	So Raven
ESPN		32	35	48	31	30	NBA Countdown (L)		NBA Basketball Orlando Magic at Charlotte Hornets (L)						NBA Basketball Utah Jazz at Los Angeles Lakers			
ESPN2		34	36	49	32	31	MLB Baseball (L)							Baseball Tonight (L)	NFL Live		Baseball Tonight (L)	
FNC		45	48	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File			Hannity	The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD		64	70	27	68	54	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Restaurant (N)		Diners (N)	M. Diners	Diners	Diners
FREEFORM		53	63	34	42	33	(5:30) ★★ Save the Last Dance Julia Stiles.				★★★ The Lucky One ('12, Dra) Zac Efron.				The 700 Club		★ 500 Days of Su...	
FSSW		37	38	50	45	29	Stars Insider	Mavs Live. Pregam (L)	NBA Basketball San Antonio Spurs at Dallas Mavericks Site: American Airlines Center -- Dallas, Texas (L)					Maverick-ks Live (L)	Own Words (N)	Big 12 (N)	WPT Poker Borgata Open	
FX		31	56	59	64	69	Movie		★★★ Thor: The Dark World Natalie Portman.				The Americans (N)		The Americans		The Americans	
HALLMARK		54	71	58		34	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV		63	69	26	48	44	Buying and Selling		Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Property Brothers		Property Brothers	
HISTORY		71	59	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		Pawn (N)	Pawn S.	Join/Die	Pawn S.	American Pickers	
LIFETIME		28	30	25	28	48	Little Women: LA "Crossing the Line"		Little Women: LA "Media Frenzy"		Little Women "Ride or Die Wedding" (N)		Terra's Family (N)	Terra's Family (N)	Terra's Family	Terra's Family	Little Women: LA "Media Frenzy"	
MSNBC		47	53		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
NBCSN		38	43				NHLLive	NHL Hockey	Stanley Cup Playoffs				NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs					Overtime
NICK		55	-	39	34	37	H.Danger	Thunder	Thunder	Paradise	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE		30	-	55	53	58	(5:30) ★★★ National Treasure ('04, Adv) Nicolas Cage.				★★ Ender's Game ('13, Sci-Fi) Asa Butterfield.				★ Prince of Persia:...			
SYFY		66	82	41	57	67	Face Off		Face Off		Face Off (N)		Internet	Internet	Face Off		Internet	Internet
TBS		25	33	44	66	41	Sein. "The Fatigues"	Seinf. "The Checks"	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan Steven Yuen, J. Y. Park		2 Broke Girls	Conan
TCM		41	75	24	63	66	(5:00) ★ On the Town		★ The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari		Caligari to Hitler					★★★★ Nosferatu		
TELE		20	-	10	20		Caso cerrado		Quien es quien?		Eva, La Trailera		El señor de los cielos		Al rojo	Titulares	Eva, La Trailera	
TLC		51	61	32	38	52	My 600-lb Life "Laura's Story"		600-lb Life "Christina and Paula" (N)		My 600-lb "Zsalynn and Olivia" (N)		Two in a Million "Tiniest Torso" (N)		My 600-lb Life: Now "Zsalynn and Olivia"		Two in a Million "Tiniest Torso"	
TNT		24	34	40	26	50	Castle "A Deadly Game"		Castle "A Deadly Affair"		Castle "He's Dead, She's Dead"		Castle "Under the Gun"		Castle "Punked"		CSI: NY "Scared Stiff"	
TVLAND		49	-	35	54	35	Griffith	A. Griffith	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Lopez (N)	SoulMan	Gaffigan	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA		26	55	42	27	49	NCIS "Lost in Translation"		NHL Hockey Stanley Cup Playoffs (L)						NCIS: Los Angeles "Bounty"		NCIS: Los Angeles "Absolution" 1/2	
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Ailing Wild need more goals than they've been getting

By Dave Campbell
Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. — The Dallas Stars have a high-octane offense that no team in the NHL this season could match.

The Minnesota Wild must at least come close in order to compete in their first-round playoff series.

Starting with the league's second-leading scorer, Jamie Benn, the Stars will be a lot for the Wild to handle. As most teams would, the Wild have stressed a defense-first approach. Interim coach John Torchetti sternly indicated after a lackluster effort in the regular-season finale that players committed to a two-way game would be in the lineup over those who are not.

"Whoever's playing the right way is going to be playing, and that's the bottom line," Torchetti said.

The Wild do need more goals than they've been getting, though. They scored the fewest goals of the Western Conference playoff teams, ranking 18th in the NHL with an average of 2.6 per game with only six scores during their season-ending five-game losing skid. Their power play finished on an 0-for-16 slide.

Erik Haula, Zach Parise and Thomas Vanek are hurting, too, potentially further diluting production up front.

"Everyone needs to step up. It's not one or two guys that's going to make a difference. It's a team game. it's a team effort," right wing Jason Pominville said. "Everyone has to feed off each other's game. You can't look at it as one guy being a hero. It's all about everyone trying to do what we can to help the team win."

The Wild actually tied the Stars for the NHL lead this season with 12 players at 10-plus goals, though one of them, David Jones, accumulated most of his with the Calgary Flames before arriving in a trade. So the potential for balanced, three- to four-line scoring is there. It just needs to happen.

"I don't think it really matters who you play," captain Mikko Koivu said. "You're going to need that no matter what."

There've been plenty of warning signs recently suggesting that an instant spark might not be waiting for the Wild in Game 1 on Thursday. Parise still led the team with 25 goals despite playing in 70 games, but he didn't look like his usual gritty, energetic self down the stretch. He hasn't been on the ice in a week because of an undisclosed injury that Torchetti said Monday was being evaluated on a "day-to-day" basis. The Wild were off on Tuesday.

Vanek hasn't scored since February. He has an unspecified upper-body injury. Then there is Haula, whose injury was also undisclosed. He is one of the few forwards who produced a better-than-expected season, with a career-high 14 goals. Haula, who has thrived next to linemate Nino Niederreiter, would also be useful to defend against Benn's line.

NHL PLAYOFF GLANCE

FIRST ROUND
(Best-of-7)
(x-if necessary)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Florida vs. N.Y. Islanders
Thursday, N.Y. Islanders at Florida, 7 p.m.
Friday, April 15: N.Y. Islanders at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 17: Florida at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20: Florida at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
x-Friday, April 22: N.Y. Islanders at Florida, TBD
x-Sunday, April 24: Florida at N.Y. Islanders, TBD
x-Tuesday, April 26: N.Y. Islanders at Florida, TBD

Tampa Bay vs. Detroit
Today: Detroit at Tampa Bay, 6 p.m.
Friday, April 15: Detroit at Tampa Bay, 6 p.m.
Sunday, April 17: Tampa Bay at Detroit, 6 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19: Tampa Bay at Detroit, 6 p.m.
x-Thursday, April 21: Detroit at Tampa Bay, TBD
x-Sunday, April 24: Tampa Bay at Detroit, TBD
x-Tuesday, April 26: Detroit at Tampa Bay, TBD

Washington vs. Philadelphia
Thursday, April 14: Philadelphia at Washington, 6 p.m.
Saturday, April 16: Philadelphia at Washington, 6 p.m.
Monday, April 18: Washington at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20: Washington at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
x-Friday, April 22: Philadelphia at Washington, TBD
x-Sunday, April 24: Washington at Philadelphia, TBD
x-Wednesday, April 27: Philadelphia at Washington, TBD

Pittsburgh vs. N.Y. Rangers
Today, N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Saturday, N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, 2 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19: Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 21: Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, TBD
x-Saturday, April 23: N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, TBD
x-Monday, April 25: Pittsburgh at N.Y. Rangers, TBD
x-Wednesday, April 27: N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, TBD

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Dallas vs. Minnesota
Thursday: Minnesota at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 16: Minnesota at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Monday, April 18: Dallas at Minnesota, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20: Dallas at Minnesota, 8:30 p.m.
x-Friday, April 22: Minnesota at Dallas, TBD
x-Sunday, April 24: Dallas at Minnesota, TBD
x-Tuesday, April 26: Minnesota at Dallas, TBD

St. Louis vs. Chicago
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Friday: Chicago at St. Louis, 7 p.m.
Sunday, April 17: St. Louis at Chicago, 2 p.m.
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x-Monday, April 25: Chicago at St. Louis, TBD

Anaheim vs. Nashville
Friday, Nashville at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 17: Nashville at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19: Anaheim at Nashville, 8:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 21: Anaheim at Nashville, 7 p.m.
x-Saturday, April 23: Nashville at Anaheim, TBD
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Los Angeles vs. San Jose
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Yesterday's Answer: CHISEL, OBLIGE, TREMOR, EDITOR, AVENUE

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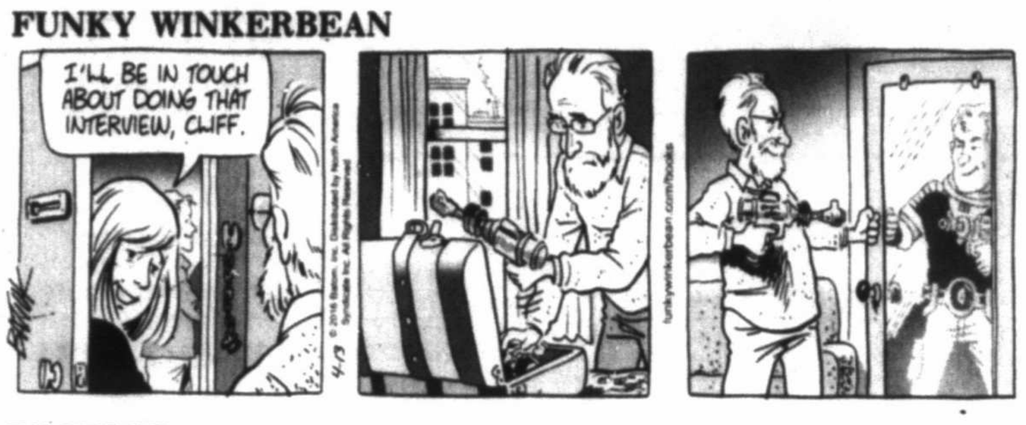

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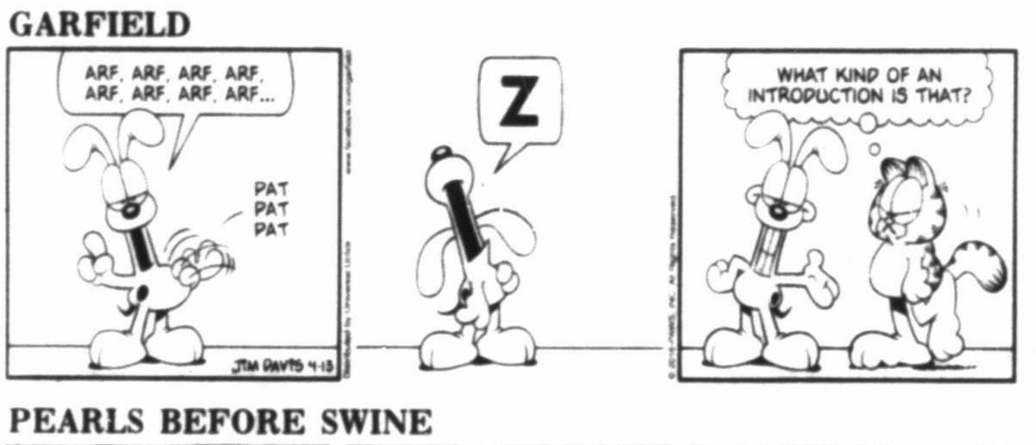

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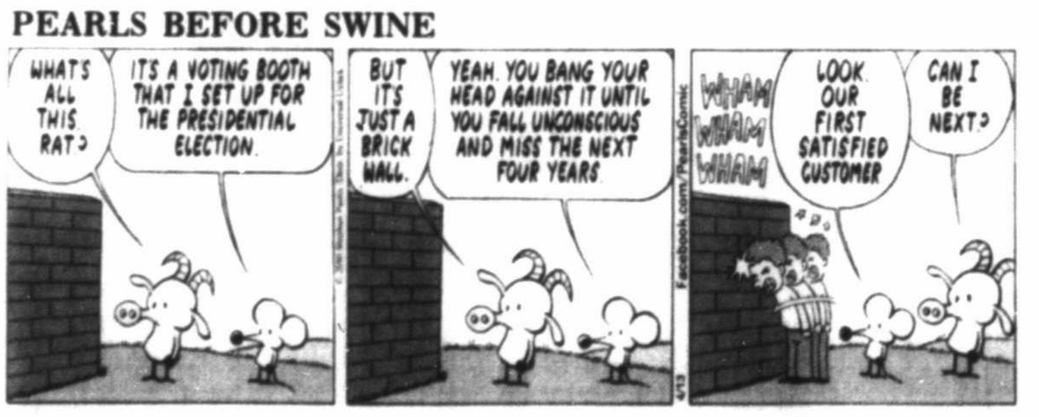

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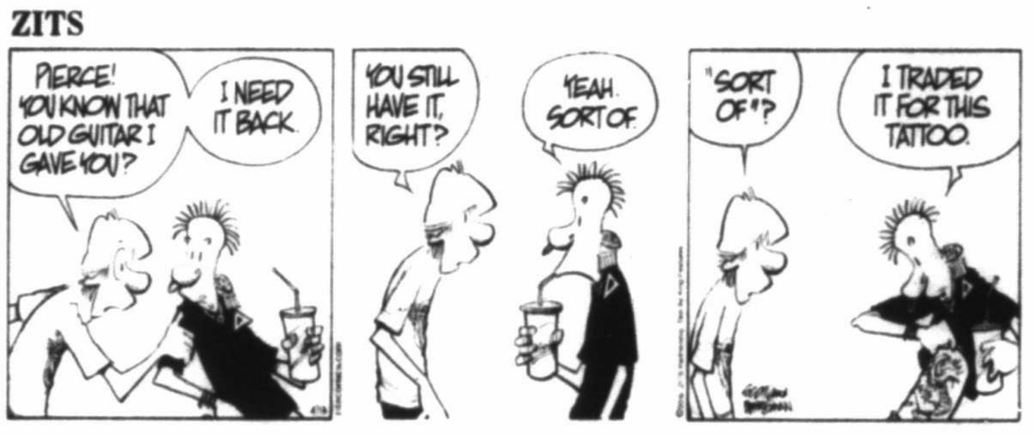

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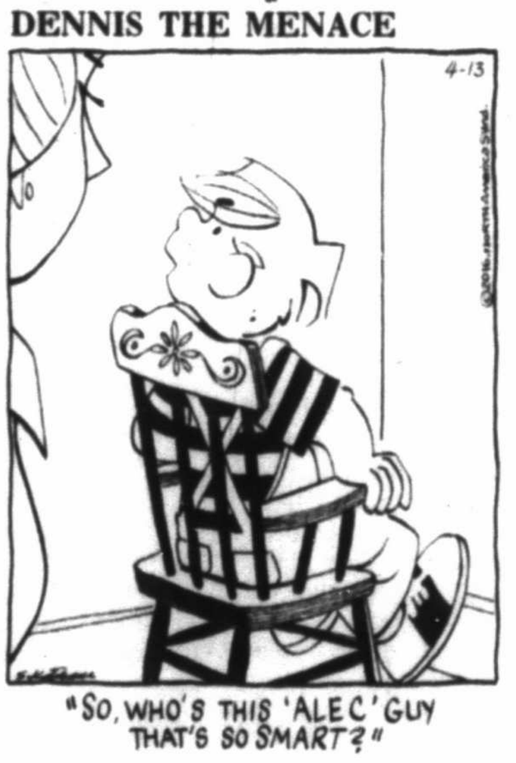

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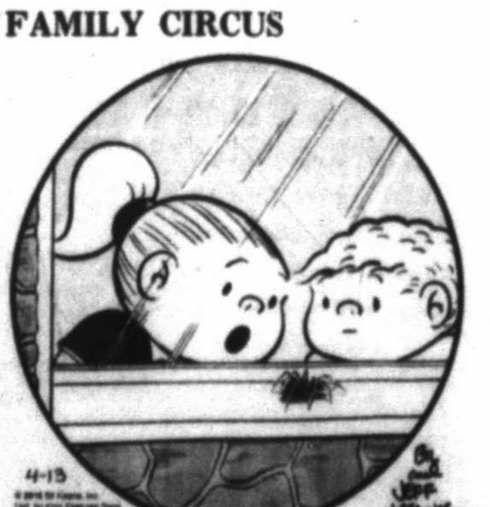

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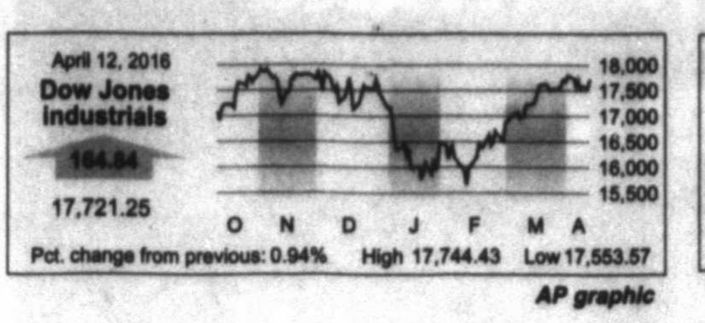

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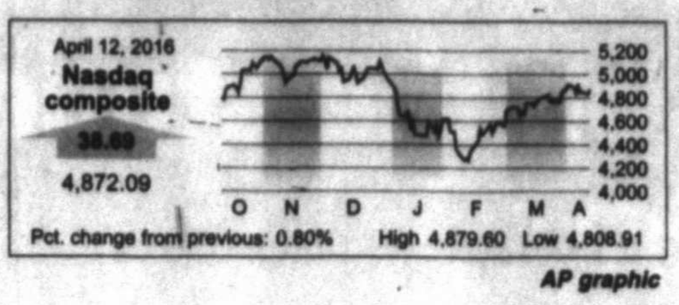

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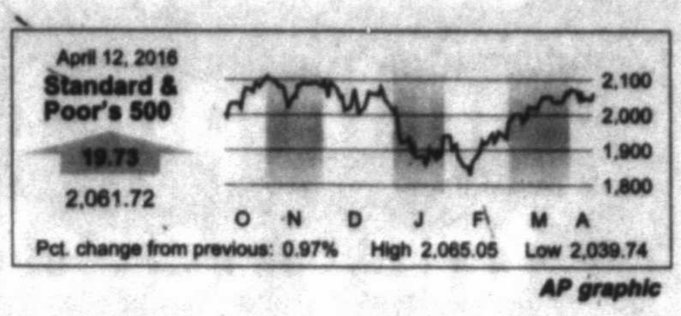

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Tuesday: $42.17
Previous: $40.36

POSTED

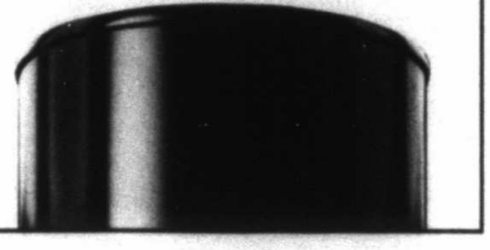
Tuesday: $38.75
Previous: $36.75

WEST TEXAS SOUR

Tuesday: $34.20
Previous: $32.20

NATURAL GAS

Tuesday: $2.004
Previous: $1.912



Oil surges as Russians, Saudis seen agreeing on possible freeze

By Mark Shenk
Bloomberg

Crude climbed to the highest level in more than four months as Saudi Arabia and Russia were seen agreeing on a potential production freeze.

Oil rose 4.5 percent in New York. Saudi Arabia and Russia have reached a consensus on an output freeze, Interfax said Tuesday, citing an unidentified "informed diplomatic source" in Doha. "There is hope" that an agreement can be reached regardless of Iran's position, said Dmitry Peskov, the Kremlin's press secretary. OPEC members will meet with other major producers, including Russia, to discuss capping production in the Qatari capital April 17.

"The market has clearly shifted to the view that an agreement will be reached," said Mike Wittner, head of oil markets at Societe Generale SA in New York. "There are talks going on behind the scenes, and occasionally we get bits of information. People are going to trade on these bits of news."

Oil has rebounded after falling to the lowest level in more than 12 years amid signs a global glut will ease as U.S. output declines. Saudi Arabia, the biggest OPEC producer, said previously it would agree to a cap only if it's joined by other suppliers including Iran, while Kuwait said a deal can be done without Tehran's support. While Iran will attend the talks, it has ruled out limiting supply as it restores exports after sanctions were lifted in January.

West Texas Intermediate for May delivery rose $1.81 to settle at $42.17 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. It was the highest settlement price since Nov. 25. Total volume traded was 62 percent above the 100-day average at 2:52 p.m.

Brent for June settlement advanced $1.86, or 4.3 percent, to $44.69 a barrel on the London-based ICE Futures Europe exchange. It was the highest close since Nov. 27. The global benchmark ended the session at a $1.19 premium to WTI for June delivery.

"We're going to see a lot of back and forth whipsawing the market ahead of the meeting," said Matt Sallee, who helps manage $13.5 billion in oil-related assets at Tortoise Capital Advisors in Leawood, Kansas. "I wouldn't be surprised if prices fall Monday."

Russian Energy Minister Alexander Novak briefed Russian President Vladimir Putin on latest talks with Saudi Arabia, Peskov said, without saying when talks took place. Novak spoke to Saudi Petroleum Minister Ali al-Naimi by phone on Tuesday to discuss prospects for a deal on the freeze at the Doha meeting, a person with direct knowledge of the matter said.

Stocks end mostly unchanged

Stocks ended Monday's session mostly unchanged as investors waited for first-quarter company earnings to start rolling in. Overseas markets gained as investors hoped for more stimulus in China, the world's second-largest economy.

The Dow Jones industrial average lost 20.55 points, or 0.1 percent, to 17,556.41. The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 5.61 points, or 0.3 percent, to 2,041.99 and the Nasdaq composite fell 17.29 points, or 0.4 percent, to 4,833.40.

Later this week the nation's largest banks will start reporting their results, including JPMorgan Chase, Citigroup and Wells Fargo. Expectations are low for this earnings season.

The decline in earnings is largely tied to the steep drop in the price of oil from a year ago, which has hammered the share prices of energy companies as well as their profits. Energy companies expected to report a loss this quarter. If energy was excluded from the S&P 500, earnings in the index would only be down 4.2 percent from a year ago.

Metals rise

Gold climbed $14.20 to $1,258 an ounce, silver jumped 59 cents to $15.98 an ounce and copper edged up less than a penny to $2.09 a pound.

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
ChesEng	1814820	6.05	+1.55
S&P500ETF	1040518	205.92	+1.90
BkofAm	972175	13.27	+.30
DrDGldBr	788509	2.06	-.05
B iPrShST	666671	18.12	-.64

GAINERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ChesEng	6.05	+1.55	+34.4
BonanzaCE	2.49	+.63	+33.9
DenburyR	3.23	+.67	+26.2
SeadrillLtd	3.83	+.75	+24.4
SM Energy	25.48	+4.84	+23.4

LOSERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DnCrySBull	24.96	-6.63	-21.1
DxSPOGBr s	8.92	-2.22	-19.9
DrxNGBear	14.84	-2.89	-16.3
Och-Ziff	3.30	-.50	-13.2
CSVInvNG	18.31	-2.68	-12.8

DIARY

Advanced	2,444
Declined	621
Unchanged	104
Total issues	3,169
New Highs	124
New Lows	10
Volume	4,140,902,457

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
NwGold g	63921	4.22	-.05
BarcGSOil	42758	5.62	+.24
SynergyRs	40462	8.09	+.35
NovaGld g	37047	6.12	+.02
CheniereEn	28962	37.17	+1.73

GAINERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CorMedix	3.73	+.62	+19.9
YumaE pfA	3.94	+.53	+15.5
NthnOilG	4.70	+.53	+12.7
VirnetX	4.53	+.50	+12.4
EnviroStr	4.06	+.41	+11.2

LOSERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
LucasE rs	5.60	-.67	-10.7
Tofutti	3.02	-.28	-8.5
AmShrd	2.44	-.17	-6.5
Can-Fite	3.14	-.21	-6.3
Aerocntry	10.51	-.64	-5.7

DIARY

Advanced	269
Declined	100
Unchanged	19
Total issues	388
New Highs	25
New Lows	1
Volume	93,568,860

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
SiriusXM	511486	3.86	+.05
CSVInSh rs	482963	4.55	-.31
HorizPhrm	462200	13.42	-4.80
Cisco	268095	27.64	+.02
Apple Inc	267702	110.44	+1.42

GAINERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
LegcyPr pfB	4.39	+1.12	+34.3
LegcyPr pf	4.26	+1.02	+31.5
LbtyGlobB	40.42	+9.08	+29.0
Highpwint	2.35	+.39	+19.9
VanNR pfB	3.47	+.50	+16.8

LOSERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
HorizPhrm	13.42	-4.80	-26.3
OptimS rs	4.01	-.76	-15.9
T2 Biosys	9.15	+1.45	-13.7
DragonW rs	5.93	-.81	-12.0
TechComm	2.50	-.27	-9.8

DIARY

Advanced	1,876
Declined	909
Unchanged	178
Total issues	2,963
New Highs	34
New Lows	27
Volume	1,715,993,542

Grain glut growing with China demands falling, rising output

Bloomberg

The world grain market has been awash in supplies for years now, and it's starting to feel like there's going to be no end to the glut after the U.S. Department of Agriculture published its latest report Tuesday.

The USDA estimated Tuesday that global corn and wheat stockpiles are going to be even bigger than analysts predicted. Futures for both commodities pared gains after the report.

After three straight years of price declines, the outlook for bigger supplies underscores why banks including Goldman Sachs are still bearish on agriculture. The bumper crops also help to keep global inflation in check, with world food costs staying near the lowest since 2009. The slump is hurting demand for seed producers and farm-equipment makers, and shares of Deere & Co. have fallen 13 percent in the past 12 months.

"We are not short of any global crop," Dale Durchholz, senior market analyst for AgriVisor LLC in Bloomington, Illinois, said by telephone. "We are not going to see much food inflation any time soon. With the current weather forecast we should see most crops in the U.S. get planted in a timely manner."

Corn futures for July delivery rose 1.6 percent to $3.655 a bushel at 1:20 p.m. on the Chicago Board of Trade, paring earlier advances of as much as 2.3 percent. The commodity touched a 17-month low of $3.4726 on April 1. Wheat futures for May delivery added 1.2 percent to $4.525 a bushel, retreating from gains of as much as 2.2 percent.

The agency lifted its estimate for world corn production for the season that ends this year. As demand wanes, bigger harvests will mean fuller grain bins. Domestic stockpiles are projected to reach 1.862 billion bushels, topping the average analyst estimate of 1.847 billion and the USDA's estimate of 1.837 billion last month.

MIDLAND STOCKS

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Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $18.18 Up 1.65

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $107.09 Up 2.38

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $4.90 Up 0.25

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $82.05 Up 1.47

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $1.55 Up 0.16

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $2.56 Up 0.04

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $21.93 Up 0.89

RSP Permian (RSPP)
Closing Price $30.79 Up 1.21

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $6.20 Up 0.25

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
Closing Price $18.13 Up 0.56

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.92	17	38.67	+.28	+12.4
Abraxas	...	...	1.06	+.09	...
AdaDvsEq	.92e	...	12.70	+.09	-1.0
AMD	...	...	2.81	+.05	-2.1
Alcoa	.12	26	9.48	-.26	-4.0
AlonUSA	.60	14	10.42	+.24	-29.2
Amgen	4.00	17	158.60	+2.21	-2.3
Anadarko	.20m	...	50.11	+2.58	+3.1
Apache	1.50	...	53.29	+3.34	+19.8
Apple Inc	2.08	12	110.44	+1.42	+4.9
ApheresH	.40	19	20.39	-.91	+12.1
ArcelorMit	...	...	5.19	+.16	+61.4
Archrock	.75i	...	7.80	+.41	+3.7
ATMOS	1.88f	24	73.99	+.25	+17.4
AutoData	2.12	29	90.11	+.40	+6.4
BP PLC	2.40a	...	31.20	+.89	-.2
BabsCCInv	1.20	...	17.35	+.14	+.6
BakrHu	.68	...	41.23	-.51	-10.7
BcoBrad s	.44e	...	8.31	+.37	+72.8
BkofAm	.20	10	13.27	+.30	-21.2
B iPrVlxST	...	...	18.12	-.64	-9.9
BarrickG	.06	56	16.35	+.04	+121.5
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BrbSq	1.52f	48	66.84	+.86	-2.8
BrownFA	1.36f	32	102.74	+.45	-6.7
BrownFB	1.36f	29	96.01	+.95	-3.3
CVS Health	1.70f	21	101.23	+.46	+3.5
CalifResrcs	...	...	1.46	+.18	-37.3
Caterpillar	3.08	15	76.10	+1.47	+12.0
Celestic g	...	12	10.49	-.41	-6.9
CntryLink	2.16	20	32.00	-.06	+27.2
ChesEng	...	...	6.05	+1.55	+34.4
Chevron	4.28	40	97.81	+2.27	+8.4
Chicos	.32f	44	12.31	+.35	+15.4
Cimarex	.32m	...	107.04	+4.12	+19.8
Cisco	1.04f	14	27.64	+.02	+2.6
Citigroup	.20	10	41.90	+.78	-19.0
ClayEng	...	...	18.18	+1.65	-38.5
CliffsNRs	...	...	3.98	+.45	+151.9
CocaCola	1.40f	26	40.65	+.21	+8.8
ColgPalm	1.56f	26	71.23	+.29	+6.9
ConAgra	1.00	27	46.31	+.82	+9.8
ConchoRes	...	...	107.09	+2.38	+15.3
ConocoPhil	1.00m	...	43.47	+2.28	-6.9
CrackerB	4.40a	21	152.85	+1.30	+20.5
CSVelIVST	...	...	24.66	+.81	-4.4
CSVLgCrd rs	...	...	...	27.32	+2.73
...					
CSVlxSh rs	...	...	4.55	-.31	-27.3
CrosTim	1.48e	10	16.19	+.48	+24.4
DCP Mid	3.12	32	29.23	+1.64	+18.5
DTE	2.92f	20	89.09	+.50	+11.1
Dataram h	...	...	.07	-.02	+1.5
DenburyR	...	...	3.23	+.67	+59.9
DevonE	.24m	...	30.96	+1.91	-3.3
DirDGldBr	...	...	2.06	-.05	-87.5
Disney	1.42f	18	97.35	+1.06	-7.4
DowChm	1.84f	13	51.62	+.86	+.3
EMC Cp	.76f	20	25.65	-.13	-.1
EOG Resrc	.67	...	77.61	+3.50	+9.5
EmpDist	1.04	26	33.50	+.15	+19.3
EnCana g	.06m	...	6.92	+.66	+36.0
Energen	.08	...	39.79	+1.96	-2.9
EgyTrEq s	1.14f	8	8.60	+.06	-37.4
EngyTsfr	4.22f	...	33.24	+.87	-1.5
EnPro	.84f	...	57.11	+.76	+30.3
EntProdPt	1.56f	19	25.01	+.65	-2.2
Ericsson	.43a	...	9.90	-.15	+3.0
ExxonMbl	2.92	22	84.35	+1.03	+8.2
Facebook	...	72	110.61	+1.62	+5.7
FordM	.60a	7	12.81	+.15	-9.1
FreeSea rs	...	...	.01	+.00	-98.6
FrptMcM	...	...	10.43	+.67	+54.1
GATX	1.60f	9	48.84	+1.21	+14.8
GablsRlT	.94e	...	7.04	-.02	-6.1
GAInv	1.16e	...	30.93	+.29	-3.2
GenElec	.92	...	30.81	+.10	-1.1
GtPlainEn	1.68f	23	31.74	...	+16.2
HP Inc	.50	11	12.22	+.09	+3.2
HalconRs rs	...	...	1.13	+.11	-10.3
Halliburtn	.72	...	37.66	+.44	+10.6
HorizPhrm	...	...	13.42	-4.80	-38.1
ICICI Bk	.16a	...	7.09	+.36	-9.5
iShBrazil	1.03e	...	28.10	+.91	+35.9
iShJapan	.13e	...	11.52	+.26	-5.0
iShChinaLC	.70e	...	33.67	+.48	-4.6
iShEMkts	.84e	...	34.33	+.52	+6.6
iS Eafe	1.70e	...	57.33	+.84	-2.4
iShR2K	1.73e	...	109.94	+1.17	-2.4
IntgDv	...	20	20.22	+.79	-23.3
Intel	1.04	14	31.86	+.19	-7.5
InterDig	.80	17	56.60	+2.51	+15.4
ItauUnibH	.45e	...	9.49	+.41	+46.0
JPMorgCh	1.76	10	59.28	+1.08	-9.6
JohnJn	3.00	18	109.60	+.63	+6.7
JnprNtwk	.40	13	23.06	-1.83	-16.4
KimbCls	3.68f	39	136.13	+.68	+8.8
KindMorg	.50m	28	18.76	+.97	+25.7
Kinross g	...	...	4.48	+.24	+145.1
LegacyRes	.60m	...	1.55	+.16	-11.4
LinnEngy	...	...	.48	+.16	-63.1
Lubys	...	...	4.95	+.15	+10.7
MarathnO	.20m	...	13.12	+1.45	+4.2
MktVGold	.12e	...	22.88	+.18	+66.8
McDnlds	3.56f	26	127.61	+.05	+8.0
Merck	1.84f	26	55.34	+.29	+4.8
MerMMkt	...	34	18.43	+.23	-.9
MexcoEn	...	...	2.56	+.04	-20.7
MicronT	...	11	10.17	-.28	-28.2
Microsoft	1.44	35	54.65	+.34	-1.5
Nabors	.84	...	10.04	+.45	+18.0
NatGrid	3.35e	...	71.34	+.49	+2.8
NOilVarco	1.84	10	27.83	+.51	-16.9
NvMAd	.76e	...	14.54	...	+5.0
NvPMit	.76e	...	14.46	+.06	+5.9
NuvPI	.82e	...	14.67	+.07	+5.5
NSTFD	.56e	...	15.22	+.09	+4.7
NTXQI	.85	...	15.06	+.02	+4.4
OasisPet	...	...	9.03	+.89	+22.5
OcciPet	3.00	64	72.45	+1.66	+7.2
PerTech	...	...	6.35	-.05	-8.8
PetroDvl	...	...	2.88	+.26	+47.3
PetIUTI	.40	...	18.62	+1.00	+23.5
Penney	...	...	9.75	-.04	+46.4
PennaRE	.84	...	22.89	-.16	+3.2
Prmian	.35e	19	6.54	+.24	+29.2
Petrobras	...	...	5.43	+.54	+49.5
Pfizer	1.20f	19	31.86	+.07	-1.0
PioNtrl	.08	70	147.41	+4.86	+17.6
PlainsAAP	2.80	15	23.05	+1.37	-.3
PwShs QQQ	1.52e	...	109.51	+.91	-2.1
Praxair	3.00f	21	114.06	+1.32	+11.4
PrmEgy	...	...	32.00	-.40	-39.6
PUVlxST rs	...	...	20.08	-1.49	-29.2
PrUCrude rs	...	...	10.59	+.70	-15.6
ProctGam	2.68f	27	82.83	+.10	+4.3
RangeRs	.08m	...	38.01	+3.21	+54.4
RegionsFn	.24	12	7.97	+.21	-17.0
Rowan	.40	23	17.23	+1.45	+1.7
RoyDShlA	3.76	77	50.86	+1.06	+11.1
SpdrDJIA	3.98e	...	177.09	+1.65	+1.8
S&P500ETF	4.13e	...	205.92	+1.90	+1.0
SpdrOGEx	.73e	...	33.48	+2.12	+10.8
SabrR	2.22e	10	31.27	+1.11	+19.1
SanderFm	.88e	13	91.81	-.10	+18.4
Schlmbrg	2.00	23	75.90	+2.02	+8.8
SeadrillLtd	...	...	3.83	+.75	+13.0
SiriusXM	...	39	3.86	+.05	-5.2
Smucker	2.68	34	127.97	+.19	+3.8
SwstnEngy	...	...	10.54	+1.41	+48.2
SpiritRtC	.70f	42	11.38	-.06	+13.6
SP Engy	2.04e	...	63.96	+1.85	+6.0
SPDR Fncl	.46e	...	22.42	+.28	-5.9
Starbucks s	.80	37	59.50	-1.40	-.9
SunEdison	...	...	.40	+.01	-92.1
SunocoLog	1.92f	39	26.31	+1.48	+2.4
TeckRes g	.10m	...	8.69	+.69	+125.1
TelefEsp	1.69e	...	10.89	+.14	-3.3
Tesoro	2.00	6	83.80	+1.60	-20.5
3M Co	4.44f	22	168.03	+1.44	+11.5
Torchmark	.56f	13	54.76	+1.17	-4.0
Transocn	...	...	9.59	+.72	-22.5
TriContl	.82e	...	20.00	+.14	-.1
TylerTech	...	62	132.80	+.71	-23.8
UltraPt g	...	...	.60	+.18	-76.0
UBSI	1.32	18	35.85	+.71	-3.1
US OilFd	...	...	10.64	+.36	-3.3
Vale SA	.29e	...	5.32	+.44	+61.7
Vale SA pf	.29e	...	4.00	+.41	+56.9
ValeantPh	...	...	31.99	+.64	-68.5
ValeroE	2.40f	7	60.90	+.16	-13.9
VangEmg	1.10e	...	34.85	+.53	+6.5
VulcanM	.80f	61	106.54	...	+12.2
WEC Engy	1.98f	25	59.13	+.40	+15.2
WPX Engy	...	...	7.82	+.69	+36.2
WalgBoots	1.44	24	81.31	+.16	-4.5
WellsFargo	1.50	12	47.77	+.74	-12.1
WstnRefin	1.52f	7	28.71	+.95	-19.4
WhitingPet	...	...	10.89	+1.37	+15.4
WmsCos	2.56	89	17.71	+.65	-31.1
XcelEngy	1.20f	21	40.89	+.19	+14.1
Xerox	.21f	23	11.14	+.16	+4.8
Yamana g	.06	...	4.12	+.15	+121.5

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
18,351.36	15,370.33	Dow Jones Industrials	17,721.25	+164.84	+.94	+1.70	-1.75
8,953.18	6,403.31	Dow Jones Transportation	7,758.69	+59.20	+.77	+3.33	-10.80
672.28	539.96	Dow Jones Utilities	662.77	+5.26	+.80	+14.70	+12.76
11,254.87	8,937.99	NYSE Composite	10,238.69	+124.11	+1.23	+.94	-7.83
5,231.94	4,209.76	Nasdaq Composite	4,872.09	+38.69	+.80	-2.70	-2.11
2,134.72	1,810.10	S&P 500	2,061.72	+19.73	+.97	+.67	-1.83
1,551.29	1,215.14	S&P Midcap	1,439.75	+14.94	+1.05	+2.94	-5.96
22,537.15	18,482.43	Wilshire 5000	21,228.87	+207.63	+.99	+.29	-4.46
1,296.00	943.09	Russell 2000	1,108.71	+11.37	+1.04	-2.68	-12.62

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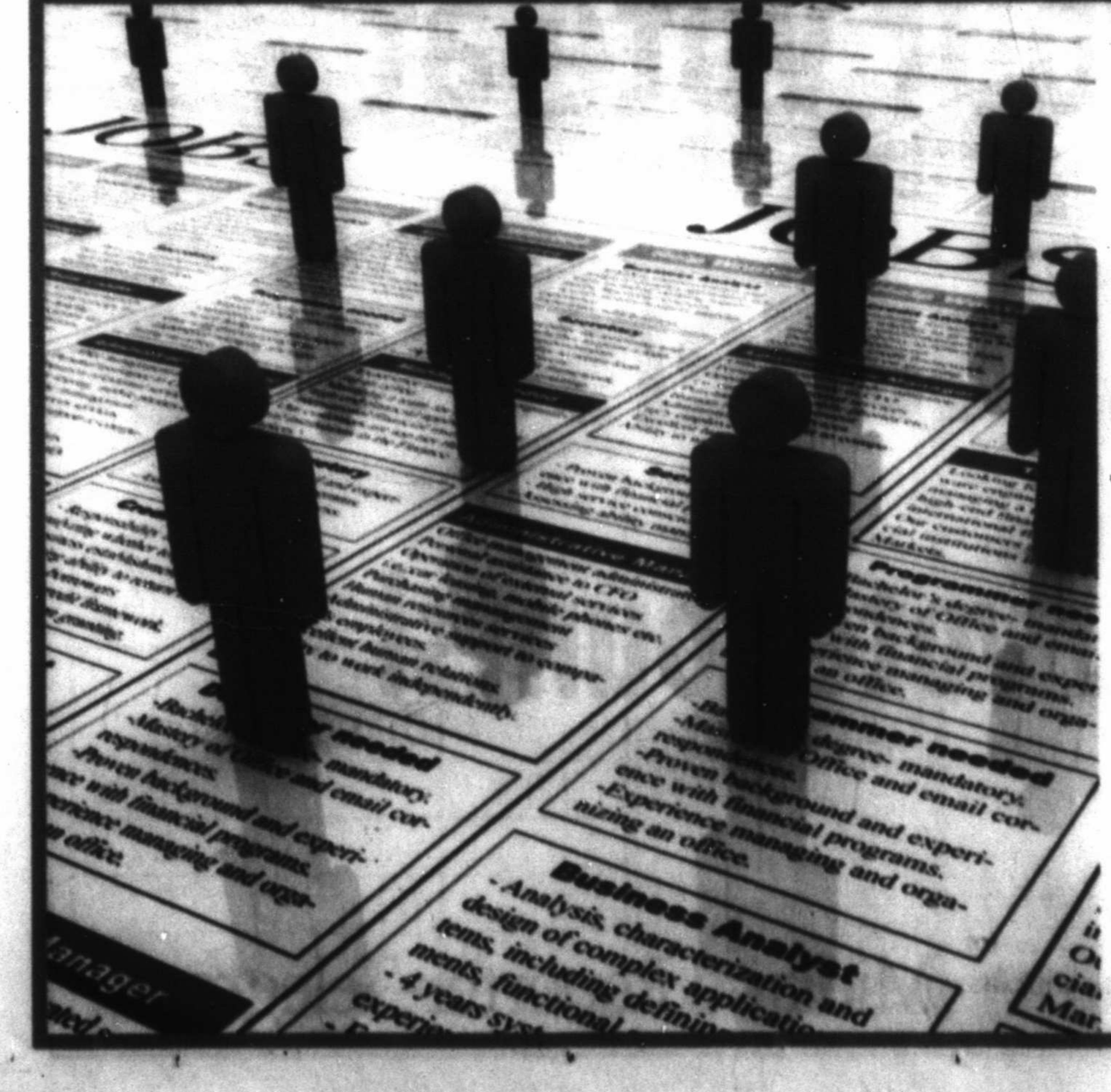

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